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DESIGN FOR AN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
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OF Bachelor of Science in Architecture.

A. Clifford Peck

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF Architecture.

An Administration Building for a University.

There are three sheets of rendered thesis drawings, each 25" x 38", one sheet containing the first floor plan at $\frac{3}{32}$ " scale and the second floor plan at $\frac{3}{64}$ " scale, another sheet containing the front elevation at $\frac{3}{16}$ " scale, the third containing a side elevation and a longitudinal section each at $\frac{3}{16}$ " scale.

The need of a building devoted entirely to the administrative part of the University of Illinois suggested the subject for a thesis. Several of the Eastern Universities have them and in the Phoebe Hearst Competition, an administration building building is called for. It has been the aim to put such offices in the building as are connected with the administration of a University. In this design, the needs of large offices, of easier communication one with the other and of the many other conveniences in connection with this department, have all been considered. The advantage of symmetry has been kept in mind through out the planning and the building as designed is symmetrical about all axes.

How some of the needs mentioned above have been dealt with, will be here spoken of.

The Registrar and Business Manager, each, needs a large office with means of easy circulation for such crowded times as the days of registration or on monthly pay days. There are two entrances so the people may move in one and out the other. In connection with each public office is a private office, a private office for the stenographer, a large vault in which to file valuable papers and a private toilet and a general toilet for the clerical force.

Across the Hall from the Superintendent of Buildings is the telephone and telegraph office where the central of the University is located. Similarly located on the other side of the stairs is the University Post Office, all mail for the University being sent directly to this office and distributed from here.

The second floor plan is interesting for several reasons, in the first place on account of the large Hall, secondly, the communication the President with the Senate, Council and Trustees rooms by private Halls, and thirdly the arrangement of the offices. The Hall is to be large and grand in interior finish and decoration. This hall is one feature of the building. From the plans, the arrangement of private Halls

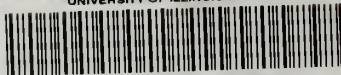
From the President's office to the Senate Council and Trustees' rooms will be evident. The public office of the Assistant to the President is adjoining that of the President, both may be entered thro' this public office of the President or thro' separate private entrances from the hall. There are times when the President wishes the Assistant, or times when people are sent from the Assistant to the President, the arrangement of the offices as shown on the plans has provided for the communication between the two. Toilet rooms are provided in connection with the President's private office and also the Assistant's private office, also with the Trustees, Senate and Council rooms.

The basement is reached by a rear entrance and also by a stairway leading down under the main stairs. In the basement are located the public toilet rooms and the heating and ventilating apparatus.





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