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(Editor's note: This is the third in a series of three articles on the trio of St. Cloud State college buildings which will be dedicated here Oct. 26.)

Though still in its "hole-in-the-ground stage, the new Science and Mathematics Building at St. Cloud State college is already a reality to those who see the campus in its 25-year prospective.

To members of the science-math division it is something of a dream come true--though not quite the entire dream.

"We didn't get everything we asked for, of course," admits Dr. Arthur Nelson, chairman of the division. But he indicates quiet satisfaction with the blueprints for the building which combine the ideas of both teachers and architects.

Work on the new site got underway in September, with completion scheduled in time for the opening of winter quarter, 1959. Cost of the completed project--furnished--is \$1,412,000.

The three-story structure will face Eighth street south and will occupy about one-half of the block between First and Second Avenues. A small greenhouse will front the building, while an auditorium, in a separate building, will be attached by a corridor in the rear.

First floor will contain the entire mathematics department as well as geology and botany sections. In addition there will be a staff room, as well as the suite of offices and lecture rooms which are included on every floor.

With the exception of one physics laboratory, second floor is to be devoted exclusively to the study of biology--with five labs, an "animal room" for live guests and a museum for mounted animals and other specimens. Plans call, too, for a dark room and small division library on this floor.

Three chemistry labs and three physics labs dominate the blueprints for third floor. There also will be five research labs on both second and third stories.

Traynor and Hermanson of St. Cloud are architects for the building, plans for which were started in the summer of 1957 and approved this year. Bids were opened in September, with contracts awarded to Gunner Johnson and Son Construction of Minneapolis, Michelson Plumbing of Alexandria, Utility Sales and Equipment of Rochester and Gold Spring Electric and Yeager Plumbing and Heating of St. Cloud.

Funds for the ^{math-science hall} ~~XXXXXXXX~~ were appropriated by the 1957 legislature at the same time as those for the other two buildings which are to be dedicated here ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Sunday--Mitchell dormitory and the Campus Laboratory school.