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CONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY—Workmen broke ground in March for Duke's newest building, a research facility named for the late Alexander H. Sands, Jr. Mr. Sands was one of the original trustees of the Duke Endowment. (staff photo)



SUPPLIES ARRIVING—The first materials for construction of the Sands Building are nowarriving. The \$5.2 million project, begun recently adjacent to the Nanaline H. Duke Building, is expected to be completed in the fall of 1972. (staff photo)

## For Anatomy, Research

## Sands Building Under Construction

That big hole in the ground next to the Nanaline H. Duke Building doesn't look like much now, but over the next few months, an ultra-modern research building will rise on that site.

The building, a four-story rectangular structure of Duke's distinictive Hillsborough stone and panels of pre-cast concrete, will be named in honor of Alexander Hamilton Sands, Jr., one of the original trustees of the Duke Endowment.

Mr. Sands, a long-time associate of University founder J. B. Duke, served as secretary of the Endowment from its founding in the mid-1920's until 1953 when he was elected vice chairman, a post he held until his death in 1960.

When completed in the fall of 1972, the Sands Building will house the Department of Anatomy administrative complex, faculty offices, and research laboratories. Also scheduled to occupy the 108,000-sq. ft. building are research labs of the departments of medicine, surgery, and psychiatry. These departments will use the specially designed facilities for clinical research projects oriented to the basic sciences.

Major contractor for the building is the Daniel Construction Co. of Greensboro which submitted a bid of \$3,764,700. Added to that total will be costs for expanding and installing utilities in the new building, adding furnishings, and paying architects and engineers for design work. The final cost is expected to be about \$5.2 million.

Funding for the Sands Building is coming from a National Institutes of Health grant, several private foundations, and the Duke departments which will occupy it.

The architectural firm of E. Todd Wheeler and the Perkins and Will Partnership designed the building to function flexibly for all types of research projects.

The design is compatible with the Nanaline H. Duke Building and plans call for eventual construction of connecting walkways between the two.