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Albuquerque's new Hilton will hold "Open House" on Friday, June 9th, when the State's newest hotel will be formally opened to the public. Built by Nathan Salmon and John E. Greer, the 10-story hotel will be operated by The Hilton Hotels, managed by J. B. Herndon, Jr. The new Hilton Hotel, with 175 guest rooms, is the tallest building in the State.

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CENTRAL AVENUE at SECOND STREET

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Work Progressing on

City Playground

At sixth and Mountain Road ninety National Youth Administration boys are making progress in the city's new park and playground. The boys are constructing baseball diamonds, basketball and volleyball courts, and horseshoe pits. City officials hope to provide a building for Community Center activities.

Big Gain in City

Water Connections

The City Water Department has an active list of 8258 customers as of March 31st. This is the largest customer list in history and shows a big gain over last year. The City has a year-around crew employed solely in extending water lines to new additions.

Special Traffic Squad

Planned

With the beginning of the new fiscal year on July first, a special Traffic Squad on the Police Department is planned for Albuquerque, according to City Manager Charles E. Wells. The squad will consist of four or five trained men and will attend strictly to traffic details. Greatly increased city traffic requires a special squad to be detailed for traffic duty only, according to City Officials.

KGGM to Take Over

Santa Fe Station

The Communications Commission has authorized the transfer of the license for radio station KRQA at Santa Fe to the New Mexico Broadcasting Company, operators of Station KGGM.



The new De Anza Tourist Court at 4301 East Central offers 30 complete tourist units and 40 beds. Each unit is modern in every respect, with showers, baths, hot water, steam heat and private telephones. An air cooling system insures summer comfort. At the center of the court is the large curio store, office and lobby. Owners are S. D. Hambaugh and C. G. Wallace. The De Anza will be under the personal direction of Mr. Hambaugh, who formerly owned and managed the Gypsy Trail Hotel in Pasadena, California.



City Hall offices are now being moved into the new City Hall Annex, and the new building will soon be completely occupied. Offices in the old city hall building are now being remodeled and refinished.

Old City Hall to be Remodeled

With the completion of the new City Hall Annex plans are now under way for remodeling the offices in the old building, it was recently stated by City Manager Charles E. Wells. Approximately \$13,000 will be available for remodeling the old City Hall and for purchasing equipment for the new building. The project will be under the direction of the PWA.

Home Ice Plant Expanding

The Home Ice and Supply Co., 201 South Broadway, is installing \$30,000 worth of new machinery and equipment, it was recently announced. One of the new features will be the installation of locker storage. The lockers can be used for preservation of meat and game, vegetables and fruits in amounts smaller than wholesale quantities. The new equipment also includes the newest type of ice-making machinery.

Sanitary Laundry Expanding

An addition has just been completed by the Sanitary Laundry Company at the rear of their plant at 700 North Broadway. The new building will provide necessary floor space for handling the company's increasing volume of business, it was stated by Mr. J. A. Rutledge. Announcement was recently made of the purchase by J. A. and J. L. Rutledge of the third interest in the company held by L. T. Shirley.

City Installing Street Lights

Authorization by the City for installation of fifty intersectional street lights has been given the Albuquerque Gas & Electric Company. The lights are being distributed throughout the city and lamps will be installed in the following areas, E. Central, University Heights, Monte Vista, College View, Hermosa and Ridgecrest, Country Club, North Albuquerque, and Huning Castle.

Yearout and Teske have just completed a new modern grocery store building at 610 North Fifth. Mr. Yearout has been in the grocery business here for 15 years. Mr. Teske operated a retail dairy route here before entering into this partnership.



New High in Sidewalk

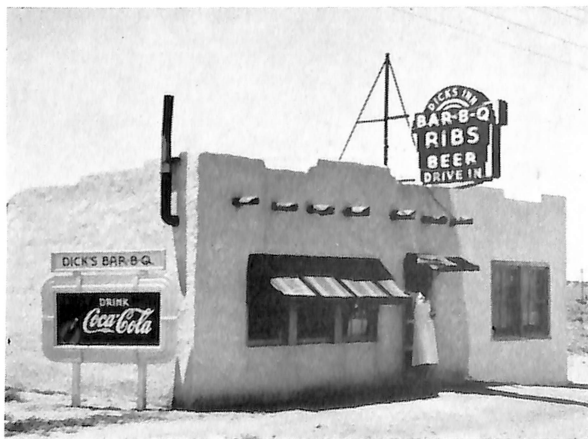
Construction

Ray Cook, Supervisor of Sidewalk crew for the WPA, recently stated that the crew had reached a high point in efficiency in constructing two miles of sidewalk a month. There are approximately 165 men employed on this project, working in eight crews. This force is also constructing about two miles of curb and gutter each month.

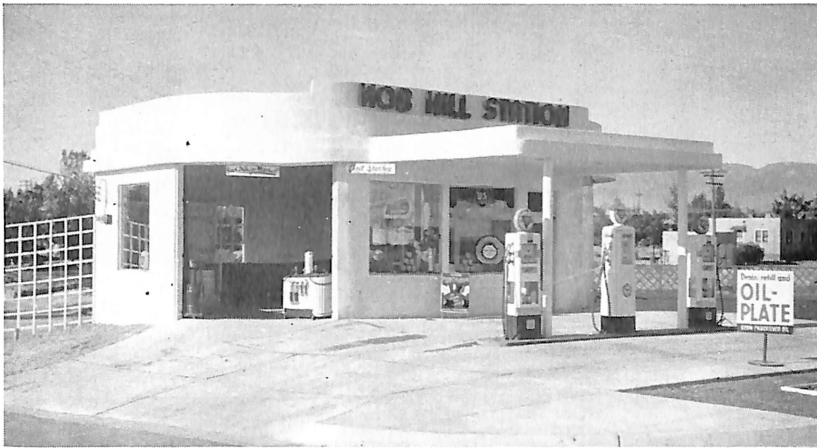
New Sewage Plant in Operation

Albuquerque's new sewage disposal plant located two miles south of town was recently completed by PWA and has been put in operation. The new plant costing \$262,000 will handle about five million gallons of sewage per day.

After a complete inspection and checking by PWA officials the department of the plant which will produce gas and power for the city will also be put into operation.



Dick's Barbecue, just opened at 6506 East Central, opposite new Fair Grounds. The new eating place specializes in sandwiches and light lunches.



The new and modern Nob Hill Station, just opened at 3601 East Central. Cecil Starkey, connected with the Albuquerque police force and the State Highway Department for many years, will be the manager. The new station will offer complete automotive servicing, and will feature Conoco petroleum products.

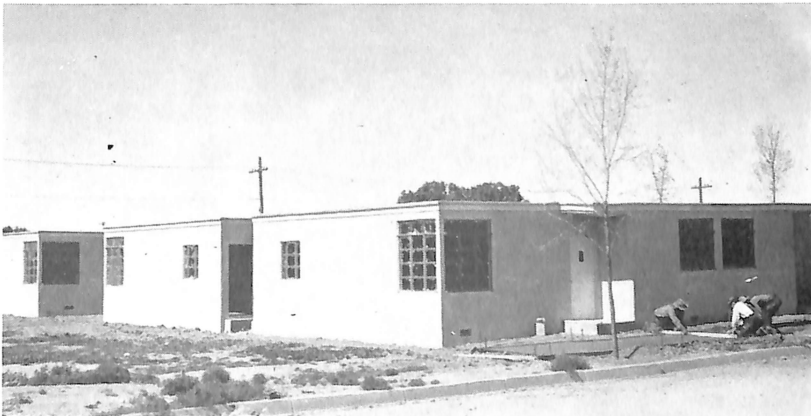
Farm Market

Popular with Buyers

Albuquerque's new Farm Market, Mountain Road and Broadway, is being visited by an increasing number of produce buyers, according to C. R. McConnell, market master.

The new market was recently opened

for the season and got off to a very successful start. Farmers who drove in with produce were deluged with orders and many were forced to make special trips to their farms in order to fill orders on hand. All reports indicate that local buyers are well satisfied with the quality of the produce and market officials anticipate the continued enthusiastic support of the new project.



New modern apartments now being completed at 1114-1118 West Gold. The apartments are built in separate units, back to back. Mrs. Thomas is the owner and Ivan Rose the contractor on the new apartments

Work Begun on New

High School Library

Work has been started on the new \$56,000 High School Library building located on the North Broadway side of the school campus. J. E. Morgan and Sons, El Paso, were the successful bidders on this project for general construction. W. T. Cooper Plumbing Company of Albuquerque was awarded the plumbing and heating work, with the Huning-Testman Electric Company doing all electrical work.

Second and Gold Property Sold

E. and O. Franchini have sold their two story building at Second and Gold to Elias and Joseph N. Hanosh. The Hanosh brothers will spend approximately \$12,000 modernizing the building, and the ground floor will be converted into a modern cocktail lounge and cafe.

The building is one of Albuquerque's landmarks, having been erected before nineteen hundred and has long been known as the old First National Bank building. Fred Canfield was the realtor handling this transaction.

Bank to Enlarge

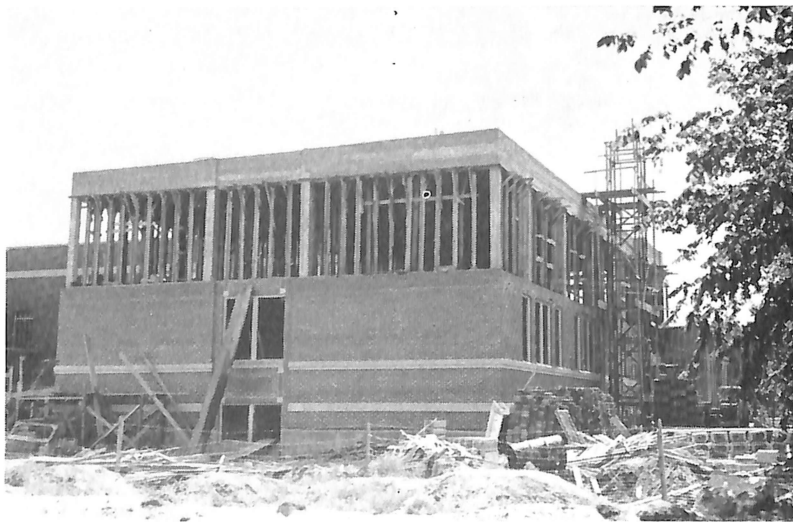
To provide additional floor space Albuquerque National Trust and Savings Bank will take over the adjoining building at 121 W. Central now occupied by the Star Shoe Company. The remodeling work will begin in July and the bank will expand to the new quarters as soon as the work is complete.

The Star Shoe Company will move to the building at 518 W. Central, recently purchased by W. C. Melendres, owner of the shoe company.

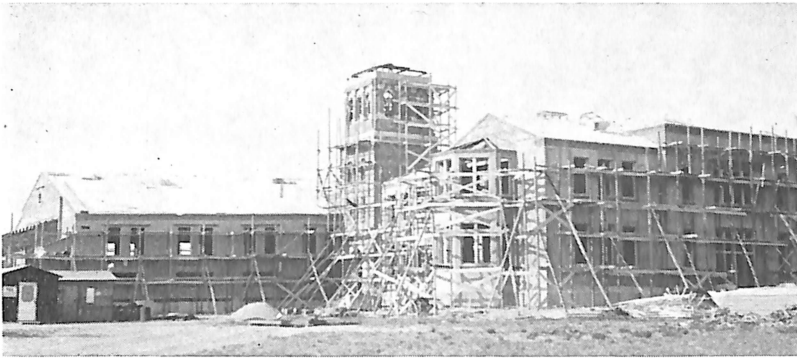
Quickel Building Being

Remodeled

Workmen have started the work of remodeling the second floor of the Quickel Building, Sixth and Central, into modern offices. Brittele and Ginner were the architects drawing up plans, and Flinn and Stamm are the contractors in charge. Approximately \$15,000 is being spent in this remodeling. As soon as work is completed the offices will be occupied by the New Mexico Unemployment Compensation Commission and the New Mexico Employment Service.



Work is being pushed on the addition to the Washington Junior High School building on Park Avenue. The new school building will be ready for occupancy in the fall.



Albuquerque's new Junior High School, located near the University, takes shape as work on the outside is rapidly completed. The new Junior High is one of the larger units of the large school building program under the direction of the PWA.

Tingley Beach

Now Open

The 1939 swimming season at Albuquerque's Municipal Beach got under way on Saturday, May 27th, with a record crowd. The pool had been thoroughly cleaned and bath houses and all equipment reconditioned for the opening.

This year a special effort is being made to attract more tourists to the Beach. Circulars have been distributed in tourist camps, hotels and filling stations in the city, as well as in other cities on Highways 66 and 85. Five lifeguards will be on regular duty during the hours the Beach is open for the entire season.

Continental Air Lines

Expanding

Continental Air Lines, offering Albuquerque air service to Denver and El Paso, will begin operation of a new route between Pueblo, Colorado, and Wichita, Kansas, on July first. New Lockheed twin motored transport planes have been purchased for the new operation. Continental was recently awarded the new Pueblo-Wichita route by the Civil Aeronautics Authority.

With the completion of Albuquerque's municipal airport a new Continental office will be established at the airport, it was recently announced by Robert F. Six, president of the company.



New modern service station just opened on East Central, opposite the De Anza Tourist Court. The new station is owned and operated by the Hedges Oil and Gas Company.

Home Building Boom Continues

A 38.6% increase during April over the previous year in the amount of mortgages accepted by the Federal Housing Administration indicates that Albuquerque's home building boom is continuing.

In April, 1938, the FHA Agency for the New Mexico District, reported 75 applications for appraisal, totaling \$286,579. The Agency reported 104 applications during April of this year totaling \$441,050. Over 75% of the loans were made for the construction of new homes it was estimated.

During the first four months of 1938, FHA accepted 161 mortgages totaling \$609,734 for the New Mexico District.

Space in Hilton Hotel Leased

J. B. Herndon, manager of the new Hilton Hotel, has announced that space in the hotel building has been leased to Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc., and Continental Air Lines for their downtown ticket office, as well as quarters for pilots and hostesses. Witt Springer will operate a drug store and Mrs. Ala Hardison has taken space for a beauty shop. V. A. Knott, chiropodist, will have offices in the building.

The Hotel will conduct the barber shop and valet service.

During the same period of this year 428 mortgages totaling \$1,814,750 have been accepted.

LARGER BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED DURING MAY

Mrs. Wm. Ratcliff, 1211 W. Gold, frame stucco duplex	\$ 6,000	J. W. Mortam, 424 S. Amherst, 5-room tile stucco house with garage	4,000
Joe Massaglia, 312 N. 1st, repair fire damage	7,000	Pat Miller, 1801 Sigma Chi Road, 5-room frame residence	4,500
Kenneth Gapin, 422 S. Aliso, 5-room frame stucco house with garage	4,000	Wiley Johnson, 3809 Loma Linda, 5-room frame stucco house with garage	4,000
Jose A. & Emma Castillo, 508 N. Tulane, 5-room tile stucco house with garage	4,000	Mr. and Mrs. F. Mankin, 504-6 S. Sycamore, 4 apartment house	7,000
G. W. Ward, 1010-12 W. Gold, frame stucco duplex	5,900	Montgomery Ward, 314-16 W. Copper, additional permit	5,300
J. O. Walsh, 323 S. Amherst, 6-room frame stucco house with garage	4,000	Mr. and Mrs. Carl Feake, 404-6 N. Eighth, 2-story apartment	4,000
Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Sweenhart, 624 N. Cedar, 5-room tile stucco house with garage	5,200	J. F. Stoddard, Contractor—Old Country Club—S. W. Construction Co., 4 room frame stucco house with garage	4,000
C. C. Patten, 1117 W. New York, tile garage	4,175	Old Country Club—S. W. Construction Co., 4-room frame stucco house with garage	4,000
Wilmot Duplentis, 432 LaFayette Pl., 6-room tile house with garage	4,000	Old Country Club—S. W. Construction Co., 4-room frame stucco house with garage	4,000
W. A. McCollum, 700 S. Solano, 5-room frame stucco house with garage	3,950	Old Country Club—S. W. Construction Co., 4-room frame stucco house with garage	4,000
L. W. Robinson, 507 S. Wellesley, 6-room adobe residence with garage ...	5,000		