



Claim Building 1874 - 1890

In 1874, funds were appropriated for the first campus building, which was finished in eight days for \$420. This 16-by-24-foot red brick building was located at the intersection of College Avenue and Laurel Street. Foundation stones were transported one night from a foothills quarry by ox-drawn wagon. In 1878, an addition was completed for the future president of the college to live in rent-free for the year. After its demolition in 1890, materials from the building were apparently reused in later buildings.