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Two-Floor WLU Library Addition

Will More Than Double Space

Contract for construction of a two-floor addition to the library building at Waterloo Lutheran University has been awarded to Dunker Construction Ltd., Kitchener. Total cost, including furnishings, will be \$906,600.

Dr. Frank C. Peters, WLU president, said the Dunker tender was the lowest of seven received.

The two additional floors will match the present three-floor library building in style and add 30,000 square-feet of space, more than doubling the present 27,000 square-feet. The addition and the present third floor will be identical in area and overhang the lower, slightly smaller two floors.

Construction is slated to begin on the arrival of steel within a week with completion scheduled for January, 1971.

Erich Schultz, university librarian, said construction will not interfere with operation of the library since crews will work on the roof and will not have to enter the building until late stages of the work.

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Mr. Schultz said the addition will add stack area for books, increasing the book capacity to 275,000 volumes, and double the seating capacity to 900. Originally the building was planned for 90,000 volumes but additional stocks were added to accommodate the present 105,000 volumes.

The second floor, which now houses books, journals and government documents, will be devoted exclusively to journals and documents.

The present music-listening room on the third floor will be moved to the new fourth floor and become four times larger. There will be eight additional private typing booths to augment the present five. A rare book and archives section will be constructed with the necessary humidity control for their preservation.

Air-conditioning, already installed in the present building, will be included in the addition as well.

The original building was opened in September, 1965.