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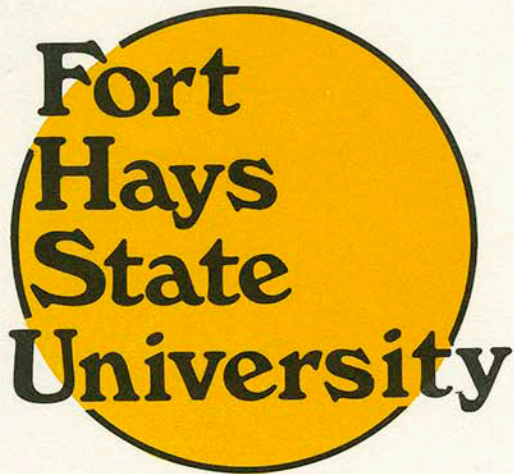
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FINALIZATION OF RARICK HALL PLANS

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HAYS, Kan.--Plans for the construction of the new Rarick Hall building on the campus of Fort Hays State University are being finalized, according to Walter E. Keating, Vice President for Administration and Finance.

Woods and Star, Hays architectural designers of the unit, are attempting to incorporate solar heating into the plans, causing a slight delay. From Woods and Star, the plans will go to the State Division of Architectural Services for final ratification before a June 30 deadline.

Keating said that the facility will be designed to conserve energy in every manner possible, including, if feasible, such advancements as the solar heating panel on the roof and heat recycling from art department kilns.

The new Rarick Hall will accomodate the departments of art, economics, education, English, foreign language, mathematics, philosophy, political science and sociology in an expansive 116,973 square feet, as opposed to the old building which was comprised of 20,567 square feet.