Warehouse First Building In Park To Be Completed In Early July

Construction of our new warehouse is progressing rapidly in spite of weather handicaps that slowed initial stages of building in March and April.

Located south of the railroad and west of the Beaverton Airport, the structure has been designed to feature a parking area and landscaped approach on the south-east corner. A concrete block unit of 1000 sq. ft. attached to the warehouse on this corner will house office facilities for users of the building. The warehouse itself will be tilt-up concrete construction with glue laminated beams. Covering a storage area of 32,000 sq. ft., the building will be compared by early Teks to the first building on the Sunset Hiway site which was planned for production purposes and was only 23,000 sq. ft. in area. Part of the total 32,000 sq. ft. will be subleased by Tektronix to Beaverton Transfer. Designed by Stevens and Thompson, a Portland engineering firm, the warehouse will be an attractive building that can be readily expanded to take care of increased needs for warehousing in the Beaverton area.

The storage space may be effectively increased by a last minute provision for future construction of a balcony over part or all of the warehouse. Two doors will be sixteen ft. wide so skids of aluminum sheet can be taken by lift truck from the freight car right into the building without shifting the load. The extra wide doors permit the twelve foot lengths of skids used to handle the aluminum to go through the doors lengthwise. In addition to metal stock, such supplies as laminations, CRT bottles, cardboard cartons and eventually ceramic materials which will lend themselves to warehousing will be stored there. Many of these materials are purchased in carload lots at the present time; with a railroad spur now available the advantages of railfreight direct to door shipping will be gained. Tektronix has been renting about 19,000 sq. ft. of storage in Portland warehouses. Material now housed in these areas will be transferred to the new building as well as most of the central stock items now served from the Main building.

The warehouse of supplies at the new site will necessitate the relocation of the Stock department. They will make the move to the warehouse when it is ready for occupancy, about the middle of July, we hope. Regular delivery schedules between the warehouse and plant will be set up to take care of the steady demands for production material. The area known as the upstairs Quonset, Customer Service Stock and the new Receiving bay will be maintained for the inplant storage of produced parts and items that will not lend themselves to warehousing. The overall long range plan will allow a much smoother control of material and supplies. Evacuation of the present stock area when it occurs will give the production people about 1800 sq. ft. more room in which to expand.

The land on which the warehouse is located remains the property of our Retirement Trust and will be leased by Tektronix, Inc. and others as more of the Industrial Park is developed.