Rayzor Hall Target Date Scheduled February '62

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Contractor's bids will be taken soon for Rice's new humanities building, Rayzor Hall. Located across the academic quadrangle from Anderson Hall, the new building will contain faculty offices, classrooms, and language labs. Target date for completion is February, 1962.

Although no cost has been estimated by the architect, floor plans are virtually complete, according to Dean W. H. Masterson. The first floor will contain four small classrooms, one large classroom about the size of room 110 Anderson, two language labs, and five offices. The language labs each contain thirty individual booths.

Students will be able to record their voices, and the instructor—via a panel of flashing lights and an intercom system—can listen in or converse with any member in the class.

THE SECOND floor is designed to reduce the pressure for space in Anderson Hall and the Library. Thirty-four offices for faculty, the office of the Dean of Humanities, a faculty lounge, two conference rooms, and the Journal of Southern History offices are located there.

It has not yet been decided which departments will occupy the new building. However, two certain tenants are the Psychology Department—now crowded into the library basement—and the Anthropology-Sociology Department. They will share the third floor, which contains about fourteen offices, a computing room, labs, and seminar rooms.

THE BUILDING is made possible through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. J. Newton Rayzor. It is the first large-scale construction on campus since the Memorial Center-Biology Building-Geology Building group was completed in 1958.

Room for expansion of the humanities program over the next ten years has been provided in the plans, Dean Masterson emphasized.