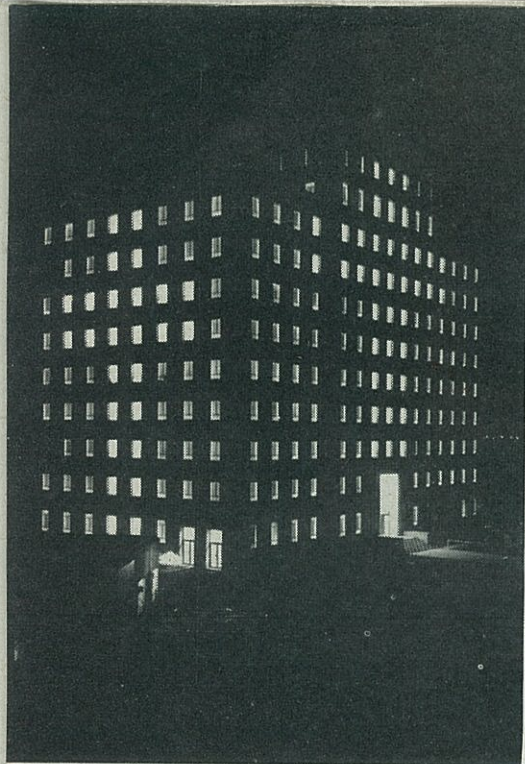


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Left: The new building was lighted during the Christmas holidays in a symbolic manner which was visible for miles in surrounding territory. Center: The main entrance is impressive with its metal and revolving doors. Right: Employees, who were given the first opportunity to inspect the new building, get a new night view of the lights in the Kanawha Valley from one of the promenade decks which flank the lunch-lounge on the tenth floor.

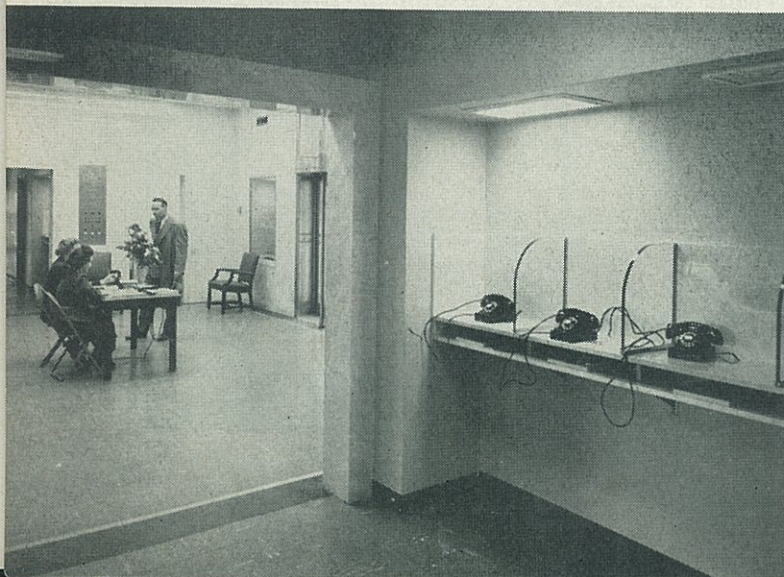
Carbide Progress Furthered by New Building

Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Corporation has completed occupancy of its new office building located on MacCorkle Avenue in South Charleston. The eleven-story structure has been under construction since March, 1947. Some 1,000 employees of the Corporation have now transferred their duties to the new building.

There are 241 individual rooms in the building and 400 doors to accommodate these rooms. There are 542 windows, all of which are equipped with venetian blinds. There are 2,752 light fixtures, all

of which are equipped with the very latest type of equipment. There are 42 rest rooms and toilet rooms, in which all the necessary facilities are provided. There are 106,000 square feet of floor space, all of which is covered with "Vinylite" flooring. There are 12 floors which will be occupied by 1,000 people. It will require a staff of 60 people to operate the building, which is air conditioned throughout. The telephone equipment, which is located on the fifth floor of the building, is equivalent to the combined systems of three neighboring towns.

Left: Inside front corridor, receptionists greet visitor who has entered the front of the building. Telephones and comfortable waiting rooms open on this corridor, and hallways lead off into both wings and side entrances. Right: Employee-visitors wait for elevators on the first floor for the beginning of a tour of the new building.

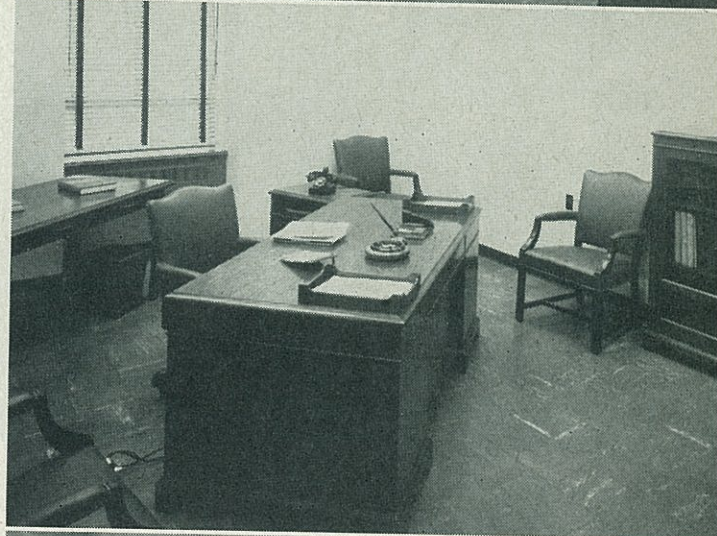
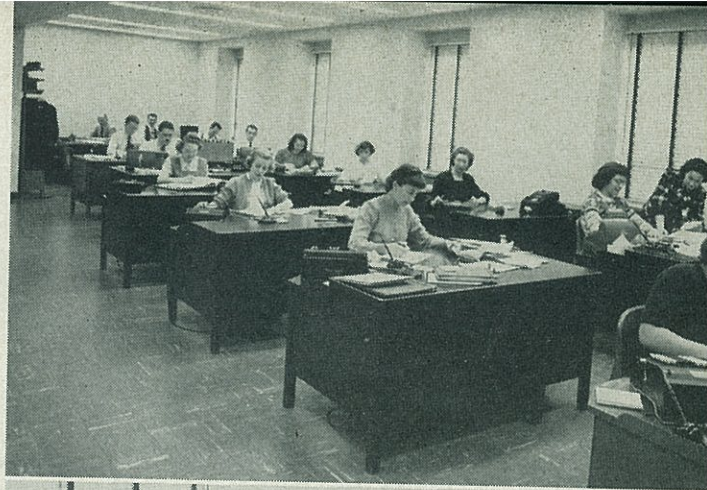


BELOW, TOP TO BOTTOM:

1. Telephone operators have spacious, well-lighted working quarters. They handle the calls for the entire South Charleston Plant exchange.

2. This is the lunch-lounge on the tenth floor. It accommodates approximately 150 employees at one time. Entrances lead to east and west promenade decks.

3. These employees were part of the groups which toured the new building on the evenings of December 8, 9, 10. They rest at the tenth floor.



ABOVE, TOP TO BOTTOM:

1. This is a typical working section in the new building; ample roominess, good lighting, air conditioning, all contribute to increased efficiency.

2. Individual offices follow the example here. Comfort and efficiency are combined in the new features of the building along with new equipment.

3. This is a view of the drafting room on the fourth floor. It has facilities for approximately 150 draftsmen and occupies the entire floor as an open room.