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## OPENING OF THE NEW CHAPMAN BUILDING, FULLERTON

Two years ago, when Fullerton's greatest immediate need was a comfortable, sizable, inviting hotel a meeting of the far-seeing public-spirited citizens was called to discuss the formidable plans to raise the necessary funds to finance the undertaking. At that meeting, which was attended by a large number, Mr. C.C. Chapman announced that as soon as the hotel was a reality he would at once begin the erection of a large, new building on his property opposite the then proposed hotel site. No one present on that occasion conceived or realized that the promised investment would result in the magnificent structure that today adorns the corner of Wilshire and Spadra streets. For it is a magnificent structure in every sense of the word, magnificent in architecture, beautiful in appearance, solid, substantial and expensive in construction.

For the better part of a year it has been under way. Under the watchful eye of Mr. Chapman's

brother, Colum C., crew after crew and factory after factory have contributed their best.

Located ideally for its purpose, the building is a five-story and basement edifice of steel and brick construction with art stone and ornamental iron exterior of beautiful design, and interior finish of tile and hard wood. It covers a site 70 ft. by 130 ft. and provides approximately 60,000 square feet of space. The basement, first, mezzanine and second floors are fitted for the large department store that has taken the lease, and the upper floors are conveniently arranged as offices, single and en suite, for the use of professional and commercial men. The electric elevators serve the building, one for the exclusive use of the tenants and patrons of the upper floors and one in and for the use of the department store. The steel work was done by the Union Iron Works of Los Angeles which also furnished the material. Brick was furnished by the Simons Brick Com-

pany of the same city; art stone by the Tropico Potteries Inc., of Glendale; glass and tile through the agency of Mr. W.W. Kays of Santa Ana, came from the Frater's Glass & Paint Co. and Waterhouse-Wilcox Pacific Co., both of Los Angeles; all ornamental iron work was supplied and installed by Phillip Friedman and Son of Huntington Park; the plumbing and heating contract was in the hands of HH Armburst of Anaheim; all hardwood and cabinet fixtures are the product of the Young Sash and Door Co. of Anaheim, while all electric wiring, fixtures, motors and connections, the largest individual electric job in Orange County, were handled completely by the J.J. Farley Electric Company of Fullerton.

The present estimated cost of the structure places the figure well above the \$300,000 mark, and sets a pace for future construction in Orange County.