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## DEDICATION OF THE NEW CITY HALL

During this week, July 20th-25th, the people of Fullerton take pride in dedicating their new City Hall. They dedicate this building to their needs during this time of war and for their use during times of peace.

Ground breaking ceremonies were held September 28, 1939, and construction under Works Projects Administration was started. From that time on, work continued in an orderly and efficient manner under the guidance of G. Stanley Wilson, architect. Mr. Wilson is to be congratulated on the warmth of beauty and symmetry of design of a building which catches the spirit of early California days.

The men of the WPA who gave of their time and talents in the creation of this building are also to be thanked for a job well done. Mr. George Holyoke, WPA Area Engineer, and Mr. George Stone, Superintendent of Construction, deserve a real vote of thanks for their part during the building period. Much credit for a fine building job should go to Mr. L. E. Crew, as inspector for the city, saw that each specification was met, and workmanship carried in a first class manner.

This building was built to serve the entire community in its many activities. The Welfare Department, located in the left wing of the lower floor, has adequate facilities to carry on its work of service. The Chamber of Commerce, located north of the Sunken Garden, has spacious quarters to carry on its phase of community development. Just east of the Sunken Garden is a large Assembly Hall which has already proven its worth as a meeting place and training center for civilian defense units. It is also to be used as a social gathering place for civic and patriotic organizations. The offices of the City Judge and Constable are located in the west wing of the main floor. On the east wing, and easily accessible to the public, are located the well planned and equipped offices of the City Clerk, City Treasurer, Engineering Dept and Water Offices. All have admired the beautifully landscaped grounds surrounding the building which are maintained by the City Park Dept. The Police Dept, located in the northeast corner of the building, is one of the finest and best equipped in this area. The

Chief's office and Sergeant's control room are on the main floor. On the second floor are located the officers' battalion room, jail cells and tank, and an excellent bureau of photography and identification.

One of the most beautiful features of the building is the Council Chamber. The soft, rich tones of the murals, designed by Miss Helen Lundeborg and Miss Miriam Farrington of the Works Projects Administration Art Department, bring to mind in graphic form the history of this state, from the landing of Cabrillo to the present day. In keeping with the early Spanish Architecture, the Council doors are covered with natural leather and set with metal rosettes. The furniture in the Mayor's office and Council Chamber was hand made in the furniture shops of San Quentin Prison.

This City Hall has been built to endure. It has been built to serve. It has been built to carry on civic enterprises in war and in peace.