Contractor Is Starting Work On New School

The F. S. Cupp Construction Company of Washington C. H. arrived here early this week to stake out the site for the new $304,773.32 Webster School and, by the end of the week, the project should be off to a good start.

Representatives of the architect firm employed by the school met with the contractor Monday afternoon to stake off the site. Work has started on the north wing of the new building.

Digging of the trenches for footers was expected to get underway this week. The contractor will use a backhoe for this job. A tool shed and office was erected early this week.

CUPP SAID that he hopes to have the four-foot footer completed in a few weeks and that the laying of bricks may be started in September. He would like to get the building under roof before cold weather if possible, depending on weather and supplies. He said he expects no great difficulties with material supplies.

Meanwhile, plumbing and heating men, under subcontract to Cupp, have arrived on the scene and work on the tearing out of old furnaces in the annex is to begin immediately. Boilers for the new furnace units have been on order for months and architects said they should be here shortly.

William Holmes and Robert K. Reuter have been assigned by the architectural firm to supervise the project. Reuter is expected to be on the job much of the time. He recently joined the firm after supervising construction of six schools (CONTINUED ON PAGE 3).

Contractor Is (CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE) in West Virginia. At the meeting of these two men with the school board this week, board members urged constant and careful check on the project.

IT IS expected that the new furnace units, of an oil-burning type, will be completed in time for use this winter. A 10,000 gallon tank is to be buried outside at the rear of the annex.

The passageway between the present Webster building and annex will be kept in use until after the school term in May, 1955, the contractor and architects agreed.

Meanwhile, the board has employed the same architectural firm, Sullivan, Isaacs & Sullivan, to start work on plans for the new Washington School.