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Watergate Starts Building

Ground was broken recently for a one-story exhibit building to serve as headquarters for the Riverview Realty Corp. at the site of the projected \$66-million Watergate project, 2700 Virginia avenue N.W.

According to Harold A. Lewis, president of the Riverview, the new building will act as an advance showcase for the project which is to include three apartment buildings, a residential hotel, an office building, community shopping facilities and a limited number of villas. Riverview is agent for the Watergate project.

The headquarters building, a contemporary design of brick and glass, is to occupy some 5,500 square feet with complete landscaping and parking facilities.

It will have a large detailed model of both the first apartment building and the complete complex; three-dimensional models of various apartment layouts, bathrooms typical of those to be installed in the apartment buildings, and an assortment of renderings, floor plans, photographs, brochures and other literature.

Ground is to be broken for the project itself some time in the fall, Mr. Lewis said.

When completed, it will have more than 1,000 dwelling units, 200,000 square feet of office space and underground parking facilities for 1,250 cars.