

April 19, 1957

At The Cleveland Press Breaking Ground at E. 9th St. and Lakeside Avenue

On Good Friday, April 19, 1957, 37-year-old Charles E. Scripps, a grandson of Press founder E. W. Scripps, turned the first shovel of dirt for the new \$10 million Press headquarters at E. Ninth St. and Lakeside Avenue. Scripps told the gathering, "Today, because The Press has thrived on the confidence and esteem of the people of this great community, and because of the people's faith in the journalistic principles of the Scripps-Howard Newspapers, we have outgrown our old building further up E. Ninth St. and now embark upon this new and larger building venture overlooking the most precious physical asset Cleveland has- its great Lake Erie." (Far left) Mayor Anthony Celebrezze addresses the crowd. (Left) Scripps (with shovel), is joined by Cleveland Federation of Labor president Thomas McDonald (left); Austin Company VP Allen Austin; Cleveland School Board president Joseph Gallagher; Austin Co. president George Bryant; Press editor Louis B. Seltzer; Councilman Wilson Latkovic; 87-year-old Jacob Oppenheim, who worked as a printer in all three previous Press buildings; and Chamber of Commerce president Curtis Lee Smith (right). (Below center) Scripps with Oppenheim. (Below) Representing the 6,000 Press paper carriers, 12-year-old Jim Turner joins Scripps.



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As work progressed on its new four-story headquarters at left, The Press noted on Thursday, December 17, 1957, "A dream is coming true at E. Ninth St. and Lakeside Ave.- the dream of "The Newspaper That Serves Its Readers." Expected to be completed by late 1958, the new facility doubled the size of the paper's former home.