Auto Shop in Eames Mill, circa 1920.
Preparing molds for metal castings in the Manual Arts Building.
Instructor Fred Huff conducts a Mechanical Drawing class in Eames Mill in 1920.
First auto in old Arm Mill (lathes, 8 air benches for railroaders) sheet metal nailed over lower floors to keep students from dropping into basement. Fred Tuff instructor 1920.
The long-awaited Manual Arts Building was completed in 1921. It was later called the Industrial Arts Building. Additions in the 1950’s housed Maintenance Services, which would occupy the entire building after the academic programs moved into the new Industrial and Engineering Technology Building in 1965.
Auto Shop in Manual Arts Building; 1923.
“FULL OF FANTASY OF DISORDERLY ORDER, OF YOUTHFUL DREAMS”

Eames Mill housed the Manual Arts Department from 1916 to 1921. Photo and caption from 1923 “Brown and Gold” yearbook. After 1921 it served as “The Playhouse” for the Western State Normal Players. It was razed in 1942.
Shop Forge in the Manual Arts Building; 1923.
Campus of Western State Normal School
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1. Administration Building .... part 1 completed in 1905; part 2 in 1908
2. Training School ............... completed 1909
3. Science Building ............... completed 1915
4. Library .......................... completed 1924
5. Men’s Gymnasium ............... completed 1925
6. Manual Arts Building ......... completed 1921
7. Barracks ...................... completed 1918
8. Play House (Eames Mill) ..... acquired 1917
9. Tennis Courts .................. completed ca. 1910
1927
By authorization of the State Legislature, Western State Normal School becomes Western State Teachers College.

1934
The State Board of Education grants teachers colleges the right to award non-teaching degrees (Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science).

1935
Western State Teachers College offers a pre-professional program in engineering. After completing two years at WSTC, students can transfer and complete the final two years of a four-year program at another Michigan institution.