More than doubling the Ernest G. Sherburne school at Pelham, this new addition, costing nearly $60,000 with alterations and equipment, will be open for inspection Sunday afternoon, Jan 8 from 2 until 5, and dedicated with exercises taking place at 8 in the evening.

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Dedicate $60,000 Addition To Pelham School on Sunday

Pelham, Jan 4—Dedication of the $60,000 brick addition to the Ernest G. Sherburne school, where classes were held for the first time this week, will take place Sunday, Jan 8.

OPEN HOUSE for inspection of the school and a silver tea proceeds from which will be used for equipping the lunch room, are listed from 2 until 5 in the afternoon and the dedication will take place at 8 o’clock in the evening.

School Board Member Edward F. Hayes is in charge of the open house arrangements, while the Parent-Teachers association is sponsoring the tea, with Mrs Anna Horskin, school nurse, in charge. She will be aided by Mrs Lois Mulroy of Cage Hill, Mrs Yvonne Greenwood of the Center, Mrs Mabel Burton of North Pelham, Mrs Alvina Spaulding and Mrs Eleanor Burton of the Gumpus district and Mrs Florence Foisie of Currier Highlands district.

PAUL Farnum of the State Education department, chief of its administrative services, will be the dedication speaker at the evening ceremony. Mrs Sherburne, wife of the late Mr Sherburne for whom the school is named, will be the special guest of the School Board, Frederick A. Hoyle, chairman, Charles W. Battles and Edward Hayes. Henry J. Hastings, the superintendent of schools, is assisting.

Designed by Roland S. Simonds and built by the David W. Davidson construction company of Manchester, the Sherburne school now has a nucleus of four old class rooms, four new class rooms, combined lunch and assembly hall, school office, boys and girls toilets, supply and boiler rooms and will house Grades 1 through 8.

OVER-ALL cost of addition, alterations and equipment is listed at $61,872 with new construction costing approximately $54,000, alterations $3,872 and equipment, $4,000.

Work on the school house started July 1st, 1949 and was completed Jan 1, 1950. Since September first graders were housed at the No 1 School at the Center while the second graders attended the Gumpus school.

THE TYPE of construction is brick and cinder block with floors of concrete slab and asphalt tile. The finish work is painted with trim of eastern pine while the ceilings are of acoustical tile. The work is of tar and gravel construction and the school is heated by a forced hot water system.

The cost per square foot of floor area is estimated at under $7.80.

THE SCHOOL grounds occupy approximately ten acres.