

Construction Update

Much of the completed work is underground and not visible but there's still plenty of progress at White County's new....

JAIL

So far, so good — with both construction progress and the weather.

That's the latest word from the construction site of the new White County Jail. The \$7.2 million facility is being constructed at Sixth and Hanawalt streets.

Work began at the site in August, although much of it is not visible to passers-by, according to Dean Roth, on-site construction manager for Bucy Building Services of Monticello.

Bucy Building Services is construction manager for the project.

"A lot of people drive by, look at the site and wonder why they can't see more progress," Roth says. "A lot of the work we've done so far is underground."

For example, five semi-loads of underground pipe has been installed by the mechanical contractor. Quality Plumbing and Heating from Bunker Hill has the mechanical contract.

The mechanical phase is the second largest contract for the project, according to John Lepper, project manager for Quality. His company's contract is for \$1.267 million.

The preliminary work also included a reinforced, concrete maintenance tunnel that runs completely through the new building.

A few of the walls, in the cell block area, are beginning to take shape.



IN THE TRENCHES

Chris Vogel (in trench) from Monticello and Floyd of Delphi install a pipe fitting at the new White County Jail. Looking on (background) is John Lepper, also of Monticello. They are employees of Quality Plumbing and Heating of Bunker Hill, mechanical contractor for the work.

Bucy Building Services, according to Roth, oversees the work of 19 companies that have contracts for various phases of construction. In addition, it serves as liaison between the contractors and the architect.

Roth said Monday he hopes work can continue through win-

ter months.

"Unless there's really bad weather, sub-zero, we'll be able to do things through the winter," he said.

The new jail will contain approximately 67,000 square feet, according to Roth.