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Workers built big wall with canal expansion in 1913

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The Medina Canal Basin was under construction when this picture was taken July 31, 1913. In the center we see the great retaining wall being built using wooden forms for poured concrete.

A number of derricks appear along the side of this wall. A steam engine on tracks in the bottom of the canal provides power. The back side of the business blocks on Main Street show at far left.

A temporary work building is seen in the lower right corner above which appears Oak Orchard River. Along with steam power we also notice man power in the foreground as well as horsepower drawing a wagon on the lane.