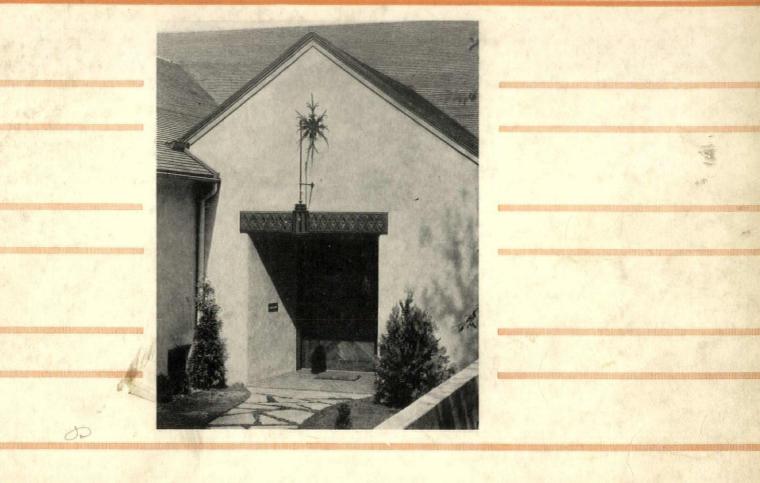
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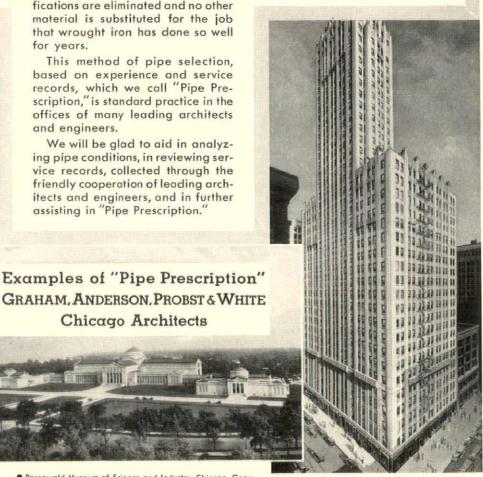
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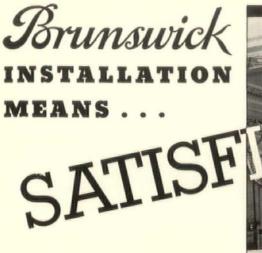
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### FOR A PERMANENT HOUSING DIVISION

THE National Public Housing Conference of which Mrs. Mary K. Simkhovitch is president, and Miss Helen Alfred, secretary, recently forwarded a memorandum to President Roosevelt requesting the formation of a permanent housing division of the federal government in the Department of the Interior.

The memorandum directs the attention of the President to the necessity for governmental subsidy if the families of the wage workers of the United States are to be adequately housed. Further suggestions of the Conference include: (1) the formulation of a long-range housing program, to continue regardless of changes in administration, or economic fluctuations; and (2) encouragement of the creation of municipal housing authorities by the federal government.

The memorandum points out that responsibility for local slum clearance programs should rest with the municipality in which such problems exist, and that the cities of the nation should be able to borrow, at low interest rates and for long amortization periods, from the federal government the sums needed for such construction. Such loans, or grants, however, would be subject to approval by the federal housing board, which would exercise a supervisory control over slum reconstruction projects, to insure their conforming to standards deemed advisable by the federal board. It was further recommended by the Conference that funds be set aside for study and research into housing problems by both local and national housing authorities.

#### THE BUILDING INDUSTRY

DUN & BRADSTREET reports indicate that in sharp contrast to the encouraging progress which has been made by most other branches of commercial activity since March, 1933, improvement of any real consequence is yet to be recorded for the building industry, which is now well on toward the end of its fourth year of dullness. From an annual pre-depression level of eleven billion dollars, general construction has dropped to a present level of around three billion. In home construction the decrease has been even more marked. It is estimated that the slump in the building

industry accounts for more than five million of the present unemployed. Lack of adequate financing is cited as one of the principal causes of this declining volume in construction work. The program sponsored by the Federal Housing Administration, when effectively under way, doubtless will prove an important factor in achieving recovery.

The building supply trades have been given their strongest impetus for expansion in some years by the benefits to be derived by the National Housing Act. The outlook for fall business in this group is the best for years.

Prices of most building materials are dragging along at the low levels of the last few years, the increases in a few divisions being counterbalanced by a mark-down in others. While the general average in lumber prices increased less than ten dollars a thousand board feet during 1933, the average still is around 8 per cent under the 1929 level. Some prices were lowered in July to conform with code provisions, but no further changes are anticipated until after the turn of the year.

Wages remain stationary, being largely regulatory, although in many instances the union scales are not being observed with much care. As a whole, the cost of building a "small-sized house" is about the same as it was in 1930, and nearly 50 per cent lower than in 1920.

#### A. I. S. C. CONVENTION

THE Twelfth Annual Convention of the American Institute of Steel Construction, Inc., was held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, October 24 to 26, 1934. Details of the work accomplished and matters discussed are not yet available as we go to press.

#### RESULTS IN THE CHICAGO STOCK-YARDS FIRE

J. E. KALINKA, chief structural engineer of Roberts & Schaefer Company, in a letter to the Editor objects to certain statements made in the report of the Chicago Stock Yards fire by the engineers representing the American Institute of Steel Construction. An excerpt of this report was printed in the September Bulletin Board. Mr. Kalinka feels that these engineers have possibly viewed the results to the steel construction in this fire rather too favorably, and the results to concrete and reinforced concrete buildings too unfavorably. A report on this extremely severe fire by the Chicago Board of Underwriters, in collaboration with the National Board of Fire Underwriters, might well be read in conjunction with the reports prepared by the various industrial associations.

#### A. A. R. COMPETITIONS

THE Association of the Alumni of the American Academy in Rome will hold their ninth annual collaborative competition for architects, landscape architects, painters, and sculptors during the period of nine weeks from November 17, 1934, to January 18, 1935. Copies of the program will be distributed among the schools early in November.

Through the generosity of the American Pencil Company, makers of Venus drawing pencils, the Association is fortunately able to announce the "Venus Pencil Awards," or prizes of \$300, \$150, and \$75, respectively, to be awarded to the three teams whose designs are rated highest by the jury.

The Association's offices are at 101 Park Avenue, New York City, from which the announcement is made by Roscoe Gurnsey for the committee.

#### SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, College of Fine Arts, Department of Architecture, announces two additions to its faculty beginning with the present school year. Professor L. C. Dillenback is appointed Pro-fessor of Architectural Design. He received his Master's degree in Architecture from Carnegie Institute of Technology in 1914. He taught first at Illinois University, where he became Professor of Design in 1926. It was in 1930 that he became Professor of Design at Columbia, resigning this position to come to Syracuse. He has had the benefit also of professional experience as an architect in association with Henry Hornbostel and Carlton Strong in Pittsburgh.

The second appointment is that of Erwin O. Christensen as Carnegie Lecturer on the History of Architecture and Art. Mr. Christensen received his Master of Fine Arts degree from Harvard in 1916. From 1919 to 1926 he headed the Art De-

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partment at the University of North Dakota. In 1926 he was a Carnegie scholar and tutor in the fine arts at Harvard; from 1927 to 1931, Assistant Director of the Gardner Museum in Boston; and since then, Educational Director of the American Federation of Arts and Associate Editor of the American Magazine of Art. Mr. Christensen's engagement by the college was made possible by a grant of six thousand dollars a year for five years by the Carnegie Corporation of New York.

### UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

THE School of Fine Arts, University of Pennsylvania, announces the appointment to its faculty in the Department of Architecture, of M. Georges Dengler as Professor of Design. M. Dengler has the distinction and honor of having won the Grand Prix de Rome in 1931.

#### MILWAUKEE AND MODERNIZATION

THE Milwaukee District of the State Association of Wisconsin Architects is playing a major part in a practical demonstration of home renovation now being conducted by *The Milwaukee Journal*. The demonstration is part of an educational campaign, aimed at home-owners, to illustrate how remodelling can be financed through the Federal Housing Act.

Three outmoded houses, one in each of the city's oldest sections, have been selected by these architects for complete modernization. Plans for renovation and remodelling are now being drawn up and submitted by certain members selected by the Architects' Association.

A feature of the demonstration are the frequent news stories explaining the details of consulting the proper authorities. The campaign as a whole covers the entire process of remodelling, beginning, of course, with consultation of the architect. Although no individuals are singled out in the publicity given the project, home-owners are impressed with the necessity of getting proper guidance in remodelling plans.

Other leading civic organizations co-operating with *The Journal's* demonstration are the Wisconsin Builders' Congress, which is supplying the labor for the remodelling, the Milwaukee Real Estate board handling the eventual sale of the three houses, and the Building and Loan Association which is financing the purchase and renovation cost.

The homes are open for inspection at all times while remodelling work is going on.

## CHARLES L. HILLMAN, 1858–1934

CHARLES L. HILLMAN, architect, died September 9, at his home in Germantown, Pa., after a month's illness. Mr. Hillman, who practised under the name of Charles L. Hillman & Sons, after public school training, became connected with the firm of Addison Hutton, and in 1890 was made a member of the firm.

Mr. Hillman is said to have assisted in designing Philadelphia's first steel-frame office building. He also helped design the Girard Trust Building, the home of the Pennsylvania Company, the Fairview State Hospital, and several other hospital buildings. He was a member of the American Institute of Architects.

#### THOMAS R. KIMBALL, 1862–1934

## THOMAS ROGERS KIMBALL,

a past president of the American Institute of Architects, died at his home in Omaha on September 7, after a long illness. Mr. Kimball was born in Cincinnati, but his parents moved to Omaha while he was still a boy. His education was secured in the public schools, the University of Nebraska, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and the Cowles Art School in Boston, after which he went abroad and studied in Paris under various tutors, among them the great painter, Harpignies.

Mr. Kimball returned and associated himself with the publishing firm of Bates & Guild, Boston, publishers of architectural and art works. In this work he prepared a special edition of Vignola. While in Boston his friendship with C. Howard Walker brought about the establishment of the architectural firm of Walker, Kimball & Best, with Mr. Kimball in charge of an Omaha office. As Walker & Kimball the firm continued until 1899. Among the important works that it developed was the Trans-Mississippi Exposition in 1898, of which Mr. Kimball was architect-in-chief. After 1899 Mr. Kimball practised alone until 1928, when the firm of Kimball, Steele & Sandham was organized.

It was in 1900 that Mr. Kimball joined The American Institute of Architects. He was elected a Fellow in 1901, and served as its president during the years 1918 to 1920. To the Institute he devoted many of the best years of his life, and gave to his fellow practitioners, as he gave to his intimate friends, most freely of his mature thought, keen judgment, and unselfish leadership.

#### HOWARD ROGERS, 1874–1934

HOWARD ROGERS, architect, died August 12, at his home in Albany. Mr. Rogers had been ill for more than two years. He designed the Municipal Building in Albany, and the Albany County Jail. Even during his last illness he continued to work on plans for a large addition to one of Albany's schools. During the war he served as a captain in aviation.

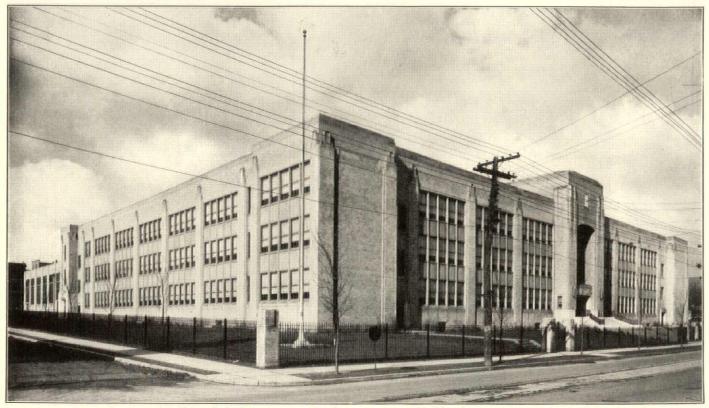
### STEVENSON CONSTABLE, 1853–1934

S TEVENSON CONSTABLE, retired architect, died October 10, at his home in New Milford, Conn. Mr. Constable was Superintendent of Buildings in New York City from 1895 to 1899. He was formerly associated with his brother, Howard Constable, in the architectural firm of Constable Brothers, practising in New York City.

Mr. Constable was a native of Philadelphia, and did some important engineering and construction work there before he moved to New York. In his earlier days he was assistant to Henry Pettit, chief architect and engineer of the main buildings of the Philadelphia Centennial Exhibition of 1876. Somewhat later he had charge of much of the construction of buildings and bridges for the Philadelphia & Atlantic Railway.

After moving to New York he supervised the erection of about eighty buildings in that city in 1886. With his brother he designed several hundred stores, office buildings, residences, tenements, stables, and factories. Mr. Constable was a member of the American Institute of Architects, and the Society of Civil Engineers of Philadelphia.

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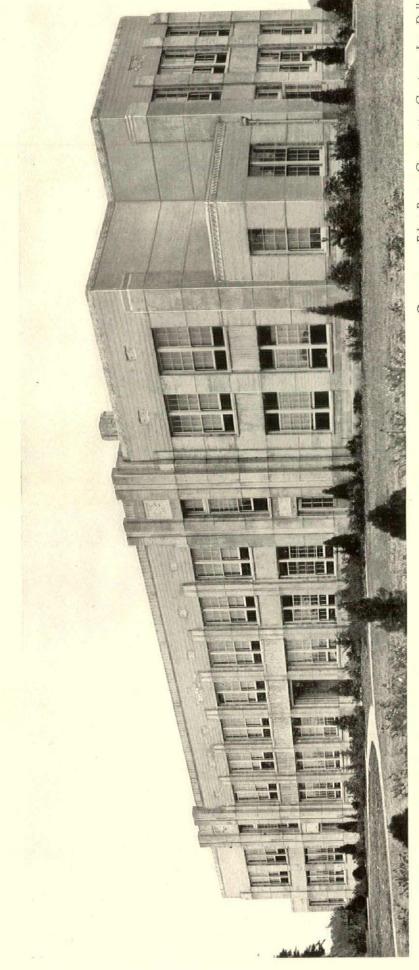
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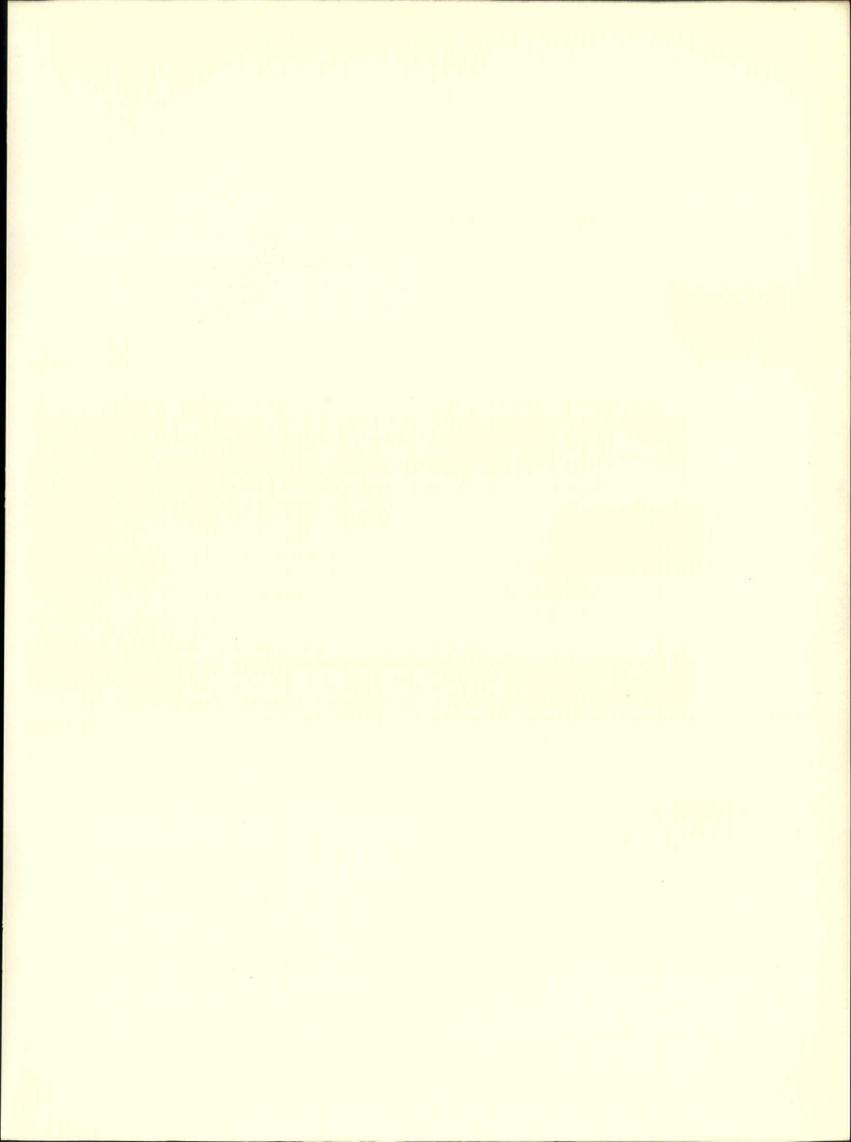
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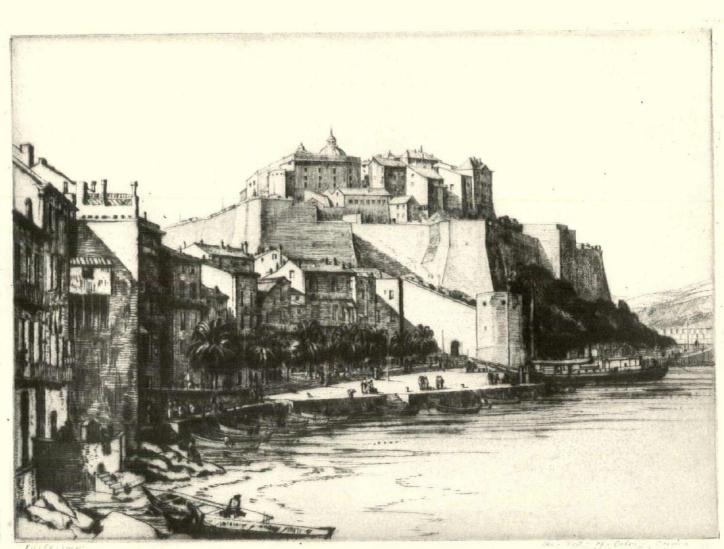


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## Window Panes of Translucent Stone By Eugene Clute

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N the Monastery of St. Luke of Stiris, in the province of Phocis on the Gulf of Corinth, which is one of the finest monuments in Byzantine architecture of the eleventh century, there are many window openings filled with slabs of a material that the Greeks call phengites, "the gleaming stone." This is probably the oldest remaining example of the early use of translucent stone windows. The slabs are carved with designs composed of symbols, geometric motives, and grillage of foliage. Some are carved on both sides and some on only one side. The material is not over 13/4 in. thick and it is reduced to 1/2 in. in the deepest portions of the carving. The light comes through in a soft effulgence.

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Of the many very beautiful windows of translucent onyx, marble, or alabaster in Italy, those in the Church of San Miniato, Florence; those in the Cathedral of Orvieto; and those in the Church of St. Paul Without-the-walls in Rome are especially noteworthy. In San Miniato there are five large rectangular embrasures in the upper part of the apse which are filled with a mottled translucent stone. The windows present a marvellous play of changing tints of gray and rose that ties in perfectly with the white, gray, and black of the marble walls, and provides a foil for the colorful marble, frescoes, and the Cosmati mosaic ornamentation with which the apse is enriched. The many windows of translucent stone in the Cathedral of Orvieto are rich in ever-changing color, ranging through various soft yellows and orange browns. Though the stone windows in the Church of St. Paul Without-the-walls are of recent origin, they are very beautiful and admit a soft glow of golden light that contributes much to the beauty and charm of the interior. These slabs were installed to replace glass shattered by an explosion during the World War.

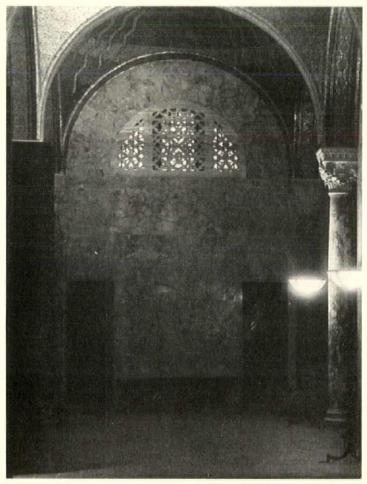
But we do not need to go so far afield, for there are windows of gleaming stone right in our own country, though they are few. In St. Bartholomew's Church in New York City, of which Bertram Grosvenor Goodhue was the architect and to which Mayers, Murray & Phillip have made additions, there are some of the finest examples to be found anywhere.

At the ends of the narthex of St. Bartholomew's there are semicircular pierced grilles of amber onyx of geometric design. The one at the south end is particularly interesting. The afternoon sunlight causes it to glow with an inner fire like a ruddy sunset. It is as though the stone itself were a source of light. Passing under this grille, one enters the chapel, where the clerestory windows are filled with onyx slabs with superimposed geometric grille work of the same material. But most marvellous of all are the tall round-arched windows in the upper part of the apse of the church itself. There are five of them, about twenty-one feet in height and nearly four feet in width, filled with amber onyx. They are given design character by geometric grilles of onyx backed by thin slabs of this material. The light is diffused in a mysterious radiance of varied tones. In the late afternoon the grilles are silhouetted in black against the golden amber light in the semi-darkness of the apse.

These windows have dignity, beauty, and richness, in keeping with the colored marbles of the columns in the sides of the embrasures and with the magnificent coloring of the gold-andpolychrome enamel mosaic ceiling of the half dome above and of the sanctuary arch. But they do not compete with these features as stained glass, itself rich in color, might.

Probably this special suitability of windows of translucent stone for close association with rich marbles and mosaics was a strong reason for their frequent use in the old Byzantine churches; another reason was the relatively undeveloped state of the art of stained glass at the time. The former is an excellent reason for employing windows of gleaming stone today in such a relationship to marbles and mosaics as in St. Bartholomew's. The grilles are built as shown in a detail herewith. Recesses in the stone jambs and a pocket at the top permit the installation of the upper sections of onyx by raising them above their final position and then letting them down into place. There are five saddle bars of bronze extending across each window to support the weight of the stone and to give rigidity. These bars are concealed in recesses cut in the edges of the sections of onyx and are invisible because the material diffuses the light around them. Their ends are built three or four inches into the masonry at the sides of the windows. Each panel of the design, containing a complete circular motif, is composed of four sections of onyx. There are five of these in each window and a bottom panel made up of two sections. The slabs were cut across the grain of

Onyx slabs with superimposed grilles of the same material in St. Bartholomew's Church. Mayers, Murray & Phillip, architects Samuel H. Gottscho



the stone, at right angles to its natural bed. This cutting brings out veins instead of the clouds that appear when such a stone is cut with the grain. The thin slabs between the grilles were sawn about 5% in. thick, then rubbed down to 3% in. and polished. The parts are firmly joined together with a transparent cement.

Seen from the outside, the outer grilles are highly effective features of the exterior, contributing to its architectural dignity and beauty; their creamy color tones in well with the warm yellows of the brick walls and the buff of the stone.



Among the most unusual and beautiful features of the Nebraska State Capitol, the crowning work of Bertram Grosvenor Goodhue's life, are the windows of translucent onyx set in tracery of creamy white marble.

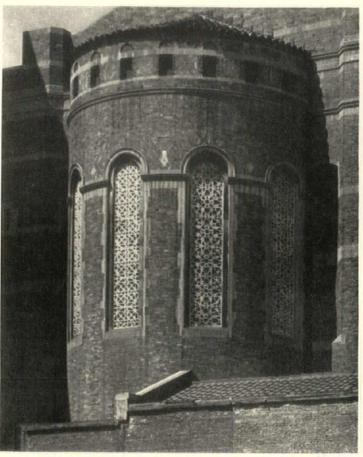
Henry Bacon has made use of a translucent marble ceiling light of great size in the main hall

Ceiling panel of translucent Alabama marble in the Waldorf-Astoria, artificially lighted from above. F. M. Demarest Schultze & Weaver, architects



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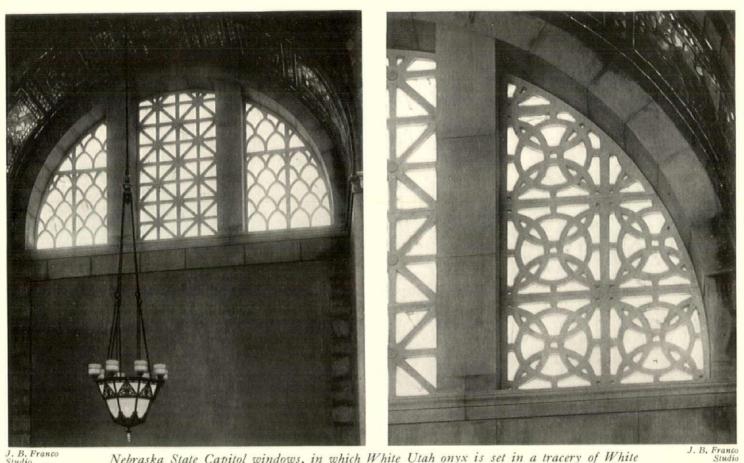
In the upper part of the apse of St. Bartholomew's there are five windows, twenty-one feet in height, filled with amber onyx from Norie, Mexico. Details of the construction are shown on page 244. Mayers, Murray & Phillip, architects. Craftsmanship by George Brown & Company

of the Lincoln Memorial, Washington, D. C. The soft radiance that comes down upon Daniel Chester French's great bronze figure of Lincoln, and upon Jules Guerin's allegorical murals around the walls, is produced by light filtered through slabs of Alabama cream marble set in the heavy bronze framework of the panelled ceiling. There is a glass skylight above. These slabs of marble are 4 ft. 6 in. square and 3/4 in. thick. It is said that they were immersed for twenty-four hours in a tank of oil, kept hot by means of steam pipes, to produce the requisite translucency.



In the grand foyer of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City, there is a large ceiling light composed of translucent stone slabs set in the panelled ceiling. This ceiling panel is of an Alabama marble that is of a cool white, owing perhaps to minute veins of blue; it is very even in color and highly translucent. Here Schultze & Weaver have employed several rectangles, one within the other, stepped up to an oblong central panel. Frames of ornamented nickel-silver, suspended by hangers, support the marble slabs. Electric lamps—blue, amber, red, and white are installed above so that varied color effects may be produced if desired.

Windows of translucent stone are spoken of in many descriptions of buildings as windows of alabaster, even when they are of marble or onyx. Though marble is a form of calcium carbonate, onyx is siliceous stone and alabaster is a hydrite of calcium sulphate. While this indiscriminate use of the term alabaster is contrary to the present narrow meaning of the word, there seems to be some justification for it, for this word seems to have been derived from a Greek word, alabastron, meaning "without a handle," a term applied to the little handleless amphorashaped vases that were used to hold perfumes and the like. These vases were commonly fashioned from some translucent stone, perhaps not always alabaster in the present-day sense. Then the name of the object is thought to have been transferred to the material.

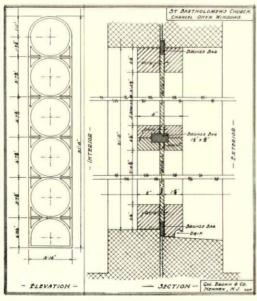


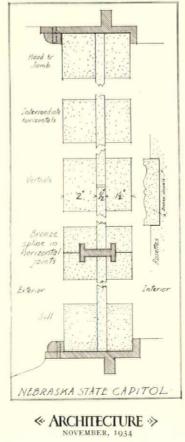
J. B. Franco Studio

Nebraska State Capitol windows, in which White Utah onyx is set in a tracery of White Colorado Yule marble stained a light amber. (See detail below.) Bertram G. Goodhue; Bertram G. Goodhue Associates, architects. Craftsmanship by Sunderland Brothers Company

It seems strange that windows of translucent stone are not more often used in fine buildings, for the alabaster from Volterra in Italy is well suited to this purpose, is readily obtainable at a cost within reason, and is very easily worked. It is this material

Below is a detail showing the construction of the apse window in St. Bartholomew's.

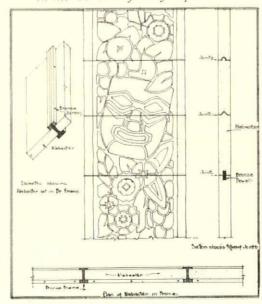




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from which are made the beautiful windows in the Chapel of the Sacred Heart, Convent of St. Joseph, at Brentwood, Long Island. There is a detail photograph herewith, and other photographs of these windows were published in the issue of this magazine for Oc-

Below, typical details of the construction for the alabaster window in the Convent of St. Joseph





Examples of the possibilities in colored inserts in white alabaster, the inserts bearing designs in incised lines. Designed by E. J. Schmitt. At left, amber alabaster in white; centre, rose-colored alabaster in white; right, green alabaster in white

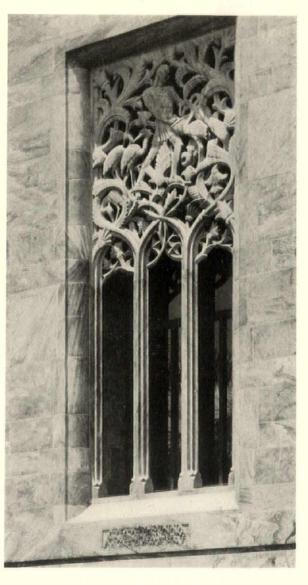
tober, 1931. There are twelve windows, each 3 ft. 8 in. by 8 ft. 834 in. These windows and other alabasters on and under the balconies of the apse are carved with ornamental and symbolic motives of great richness. As the interior of the chapel was inspired by the Early Christian and Byzantine monuments of Italy, principally those of Ravenna and Florence, rich marbles, murals, and mosaics play an important part in it, and it was felt that filling the window opening with translucent slabs of alabaster would produce the soft light needed and avoid the introduction of conflicting colors in the windows. To prevent any possibility of monotony these were

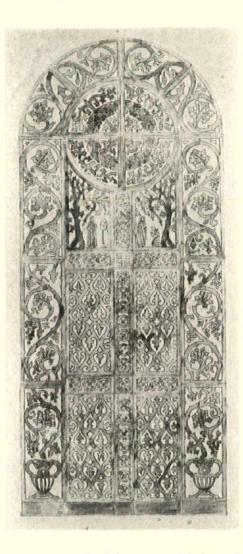




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Interior and exterior effect of a window in the Bok Singing Tower, Lake Wales, Fla. Milton B. Medary, architect. A variation of translucence is secured through Lee Lawrie's sculptured tracery. The white Georgia marble is six inches thick at the maximum







Portion of a window of ivory toned Volterra alabaster, Convent of St. Joseph, Brentwood, Long Island. Murphy & Olmsted, architects. Craftsmanship by Conrad Schmitt Studios

Cartoon for one of the windows of alabaster in the Chapel, Convent of St. Joseph, Brentwood, Long Island. Designed by Paul A. Goettelmann; Murphy & Olmsted, architects

> Detail of "Christ the King," part of a window in the Convent of St. Joseph, Brentwood, Long Island. Designed by Paul A. Goettelmann. Craftsmanship by Conrad Schmitt Studios



carved. They are rich in color, being of varied ivory and amber tints with a suggestion of rose; the alabaster, naturally white, has been impregnated with the desired coloring.

The chief beauty of this material is the soft glow of light by day or night. When viewed from within at night it appears akin to the mysterious will-o'-the-wisp or the St. Anthony's lights that appeared upon the rigging of old sailing-ships at sea. In the daytime these windows present a never-ending succession of changes in tone and tint.

These windows are composed of slabs  $\frac{5}{8}$  in. thick, and as the carving, which is on the inside only, is about  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. deep, the thickness is reduced to about  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. in the background. The design is in three planes; the face of the slab, which is the face of the raised ornament; the background; and the minor detail, which is incised less than  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. As the detail section shows, these windows are divided into panels by the bronze muntins of the frames, and some are hinged to swing open for ventilation. Windows of moderate size can be formed of a single slab each. Larger windows can be formed without muntins, if these are not desired, by joining the sections, either by means of bronze dowels or of a tongue-and-groove joint. This tongue and groove are easy to carve and, cemented together, make a joint that is not obtrusive.

Volterra alabaster of the natural translucent milky white color is very beautiful, but the possibilities of the material are greatly increased by the fact that it can be colored through and through, not only in tones of amber or ivory but like rose quartz or jade or in almost any desired color. This makes it possible to enrich windows of the white or tinted alabaster with inserts of different colors. Furthermore the inserts may be engraved with designs in incised lines.

Though windows of translucent stone have been used almost exclusively in churches, there is no need to limit them to ecclesiastical architecture. Windows of Volterra alabaster, particularly, are within the range of possibility for very many buildings other than the most monumental; for banks, theatres, hotels, and fine residences.

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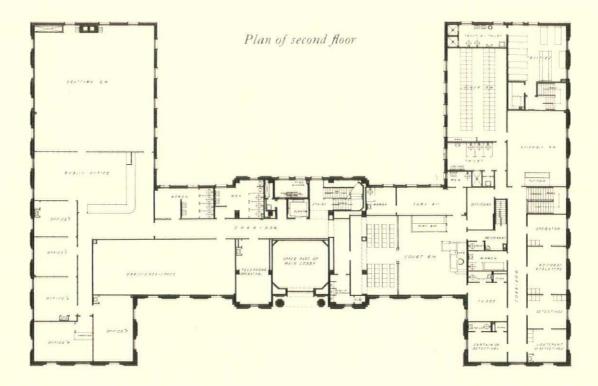


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A structure of reinforced concrete in which particular care has been taken in the delicacy and precision of the exterior molds

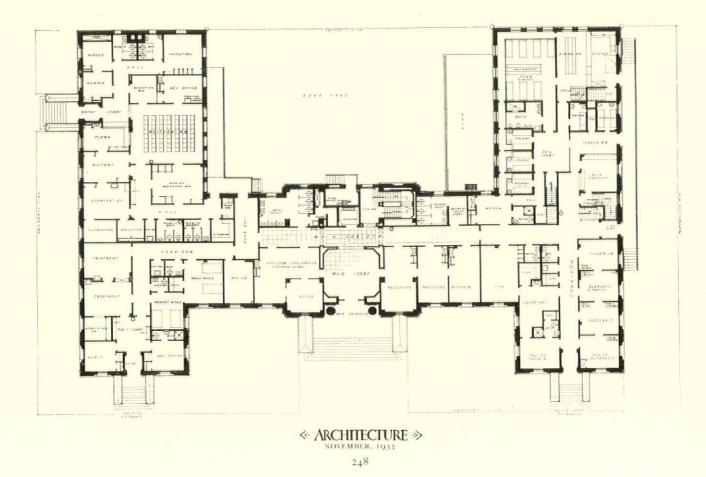
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, CITY OF LOS ANGELES; P. K. SCHABARUM, ARCHITECT

Valley Municipal Building, Van Nuys, Calif.



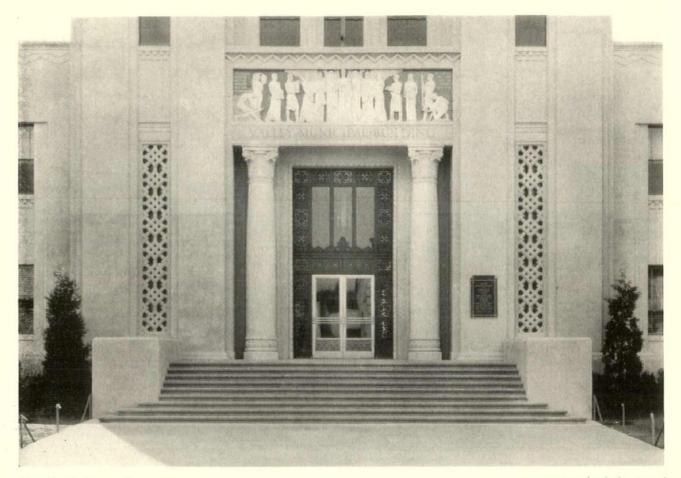
A multitude of widely varying civic needs has brought about a plan that is striking chiefly in its lack of the monumental, grand-manner flavor we usually associate with our public buildings.

In the plan of the first floor, below, the left wing is given over to a Department of Health, the right wing to the Police Department. A ramp leads down from the rear yard to automobile parking space in the basement





Detail of the tower top, where the cast ornament reaches its greatest florescence



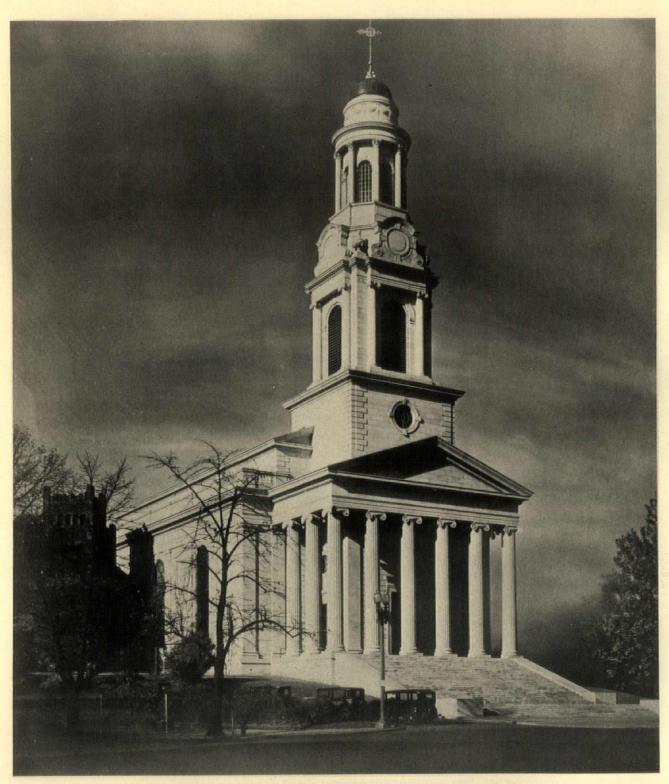
Detail of the main entrance. The sculpture panel here and others over the wing entrances are by Harold F. Wilson, sculptor. An inscription on the back-



ground of the panel above reads: The PUBLIC OFFICERS ARE THE SERVANTS AND AGENTS OF THE PEOPLE TO EXECUTE THE LAWS THAT THE PEOPLE HAVE MADE

Police Department

Entrance detail of the



The church is located on Thomas Circle at the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Fourteenth Street, N.W. It is built throughout of limestone, the roof of the little dome being of bronze, the weathervane gilded

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OFFICE OF JOHN RUSSELL POPE, ARCHITECT National City Christian Church, Washington, D. C. «ARCHITECTURE»

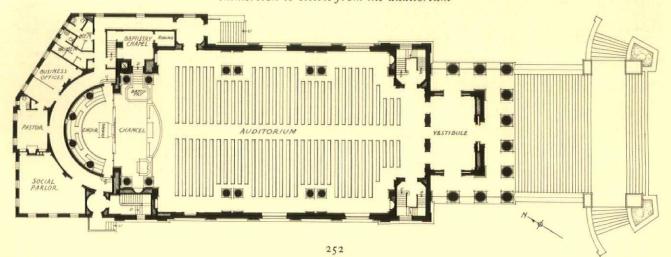
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The general color scheme of the interior is a combination of the stone gray with light tones of blue and gold in the coffers. The lighting fixtures were designed especially to give the effect of a visible light through low-power candle bulbs with an added stronger light cast directly down. Pews are of walnut with blue cushions. There are several memorial windows in place, one of them to the wife of R. A. Long, who took an active part on the building committee. Nicola d'Ascenzo executed these windows, which have a large proportion of clear glass, with border and medallions in color

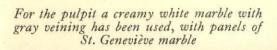
Plan of the main floor as built. There is an unusual feature here in the baptistry and the adjoining baptistry chapel. The photograph on page 254 shows that the height of the marble enclosure of the baptistry is such that very little more than the heads of those descending for immersion is visible from the auditorium

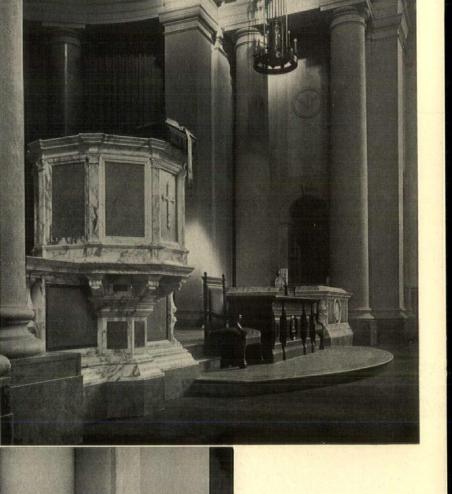




Axial view of the auditorium, looking toward the apse, the columns in which are of St. Geneviève marble—a warm gray with yellow veining. Between these the hangings are of blue

A view across the front of the chancel, showing at the far side the marble enclosure of the baptistry. The floor of the auditorium is carpeted in blue



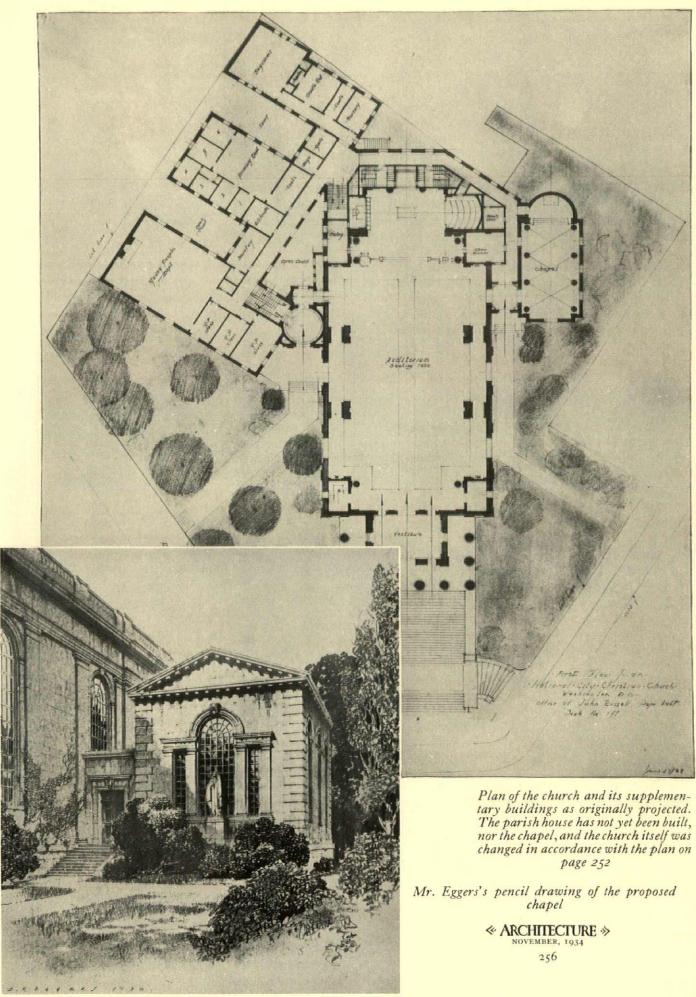




The main entrance as seen from inside the vestibule. Doors are of walnut, floor of terrazzo with a marble border

The console as seen from the front. It is of walnut, framing the panel of "The Last Supper" carved by Alois Lang in lime wood





## The Architect in the Body Social

## By B. Charney Vladeck

MEMBER NEW YORK CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY



Mr. Vladeck spoke at a recent meeting of the architects selected by competition to design New York City's projected low-rental housing. His opinion of the architect seemed to us to be a sharp spur—it hurt, but it may induce action. We asked Mr. Vladeck to write it for a wider audience in the profession, and here it is.—EDITOR.

**B** EHIND each building monstrosity, **B** behind each tenement, behind each get-rich-quick building project, there are the brains of an architect. As I walk along the lower East Side or Harlem, or, for that matter, any slum in the city, I see in my imagination some member of the architectural profession burning midnight oil in an effort to make a maximum of people uncomfortable and unhealthy, at a minimum infringement of the law.

No modern profession has become as completely a tool of greed, selfishness, and speculation as the profession of architecture. The landowner, the builder, and the usurer tell the architect:

"Here is a small parcel of land whose inherent worth is zero; if you manage to erect on it a building that would yield a healthy income, the land will become more valuable than gold and all of us will be rich."

So the architect proceeds to cover as much of the plot as possible. He burrows into the earth and into the sky, to make a building that will earn money, no matter how crowded and inconvenient it may be, so that the landowner, the builder, and the money man may become rich. And when they do become rich, they "influence" local, state, and federal legislation for the protection of their interests and for the perpetuation of all their crimes and follies.

Today the only solution for the terrific unemployment in architectural ranks is an extensive public-housing program on a national scale —a program for the reconstruction of our cancerous cities along modern lines. They have been doing it on the Continent since the War, and it can be done more easily and with less

sacrifice on the part of the public treasury here than on the other side. Nevertheless the same interests whom the architectural profession served so blindly and so loyally are piously opposed to all such utopias because it would show the American people the extent to which it has been robbed of the comforts and amenities of life by the organized greed of real-estate and money interests. Public low-cost housing, of course, needs public assistance. Also cheap money and cheap land. But public assistance, when not given to the rich and powerful, is "Socialism"; cheap land and cheap money, "Bolshevism." It is this organized opposition that very efficiently keeps housing in a state of confusion. It is this opposition that keeps housing in the United States, after so many years of study and education, in a state of helplessness and disorganization. A thousand nostrums and panaceas are being offered as housing which do not contain the simplest essence of housing-and that is extensive low-cost projects and radical slum clearance.

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There is still another drawback, which may seem purely technical but is important just the same. The American architect, like the average American layman, still thinks of housing in terms of houses and not in terms of homes. In the recent competition for the qualification of architects, held by the New York City Housing Authority, 278 designs were submitted by registered architects. All designs were based on a plot of twelve city blocks and were to deal with 100, 150, and 250 densities. But the overwhelming majority of the architects saw nothing but that many lots to be covered by structures. They didn't stop to say to themselves: Here I am supposed to house so many thousands of human beings. How can it be done with the



least crowding, with a maximum of privacy, with an abundance of air and sunshine, with ample provision for community recreation and park space? In one particular case the architect was puzzled over the requirement of a twoblock park, and since he couldn't understand what a park is needed for in a low-cost housing project, he stuck it in a corner.

And yet a small number of competitors did display some housing intelligence, and twentytwo designs were qualified. Not that they were all entirely perfect. Some of them are somewhat hazy and illogical, but at least these men display an attitude to housing that is new: an attitude that proclaims that building for a community is something not entirely identical with building for an individual as for profit.

With our architectural background, this is very encouraging. There was a time when

architecture was the highest expression of a nation's culture. The brains of the architect were the focal centre of everything the nation had achieved in thought, in beauty, and in its standard of living. It was understood and accepted that the most important building is for the national collective, and that the spirit of architecture can be best expressed in public enterprises. It is time the profession reverts to its original function and natural destiny. By encouraging public enterprise in housing and construction, by studying the problems of community planning and community building, by giving thought to the necessity of giving all the people the benefits of modern science and achievements in construction, architecture will again become a living profession and a great force in the cultural development of our city and our nation.



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Cliff dwellings at Rio de los Frijoles, near Santa Fé, N. M.



## Garden Terminals



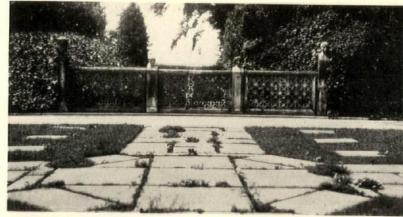
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Sculpture at the end of narrow garden path in Italy

Balustrade stopping a vista at a transverse axis,

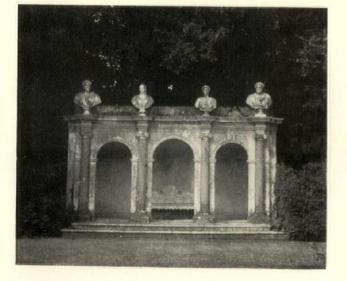
A more elaborate architectural feature as the terminal, Wilton House, England



A more elaborate terminal for a larger garden walk at Ilford, England

Lady Astor's Italian memorial garden, Cliveden, England

An elaboration of the niche motive, Dropmore, England

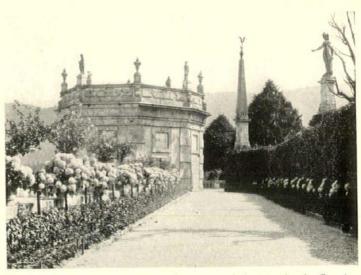




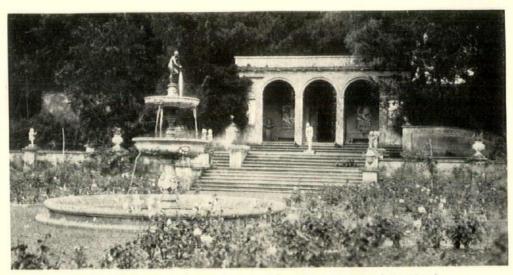
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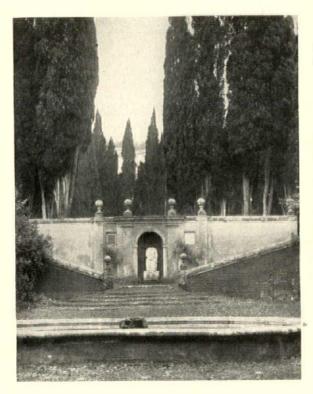
Cimbrone, Ravello. The terminal is not necessarily en axe



Isola Bella, Italy-another instance of the terminal off axis



The added value of steps for an elaborate architectural terminal, Wilton House, England

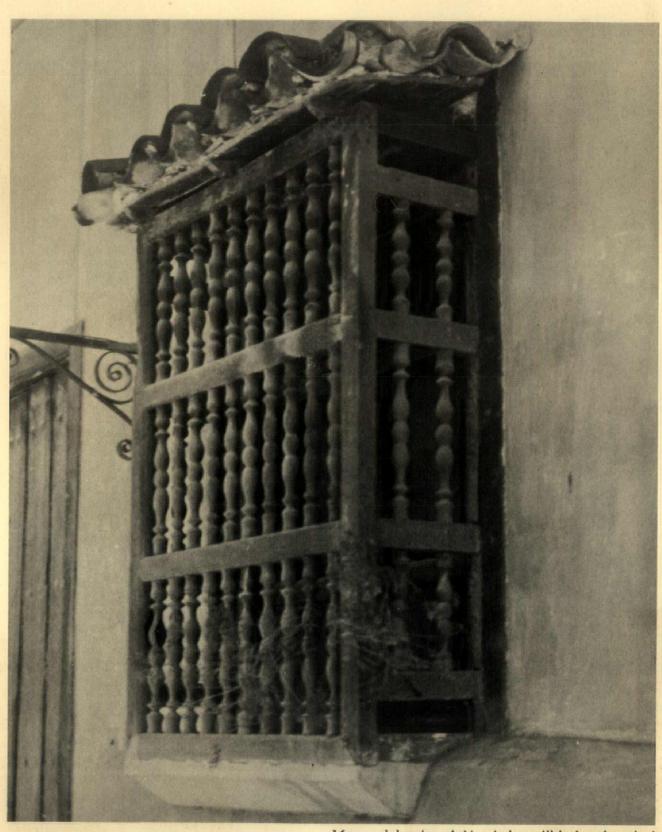


Villa Falconieri, Frascati, Italy

A minor terminal on the Farnese Palace, Caprarola, Italy « ARCHITECTURE »

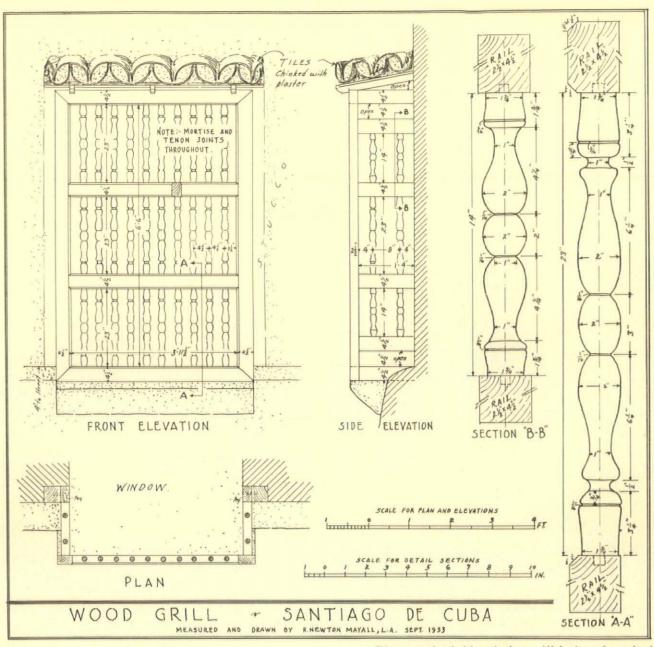
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MEASURED AND DRAWN BY R. NEWTON MAYALL Wood Grilles of Santiago de Cuba



A afield and dig into the past with a passion akin to that of the archæolorial. All too often they follow the beaten paths made famous by illustrious predecessors. Mallorca, Madrid, Florence, Paris, Munich, and many other places have been kept under close observation for years.

The New World holds much that is as yet uncharted; much that is of great age, when compared with our own young portion; much to rival the charm of the Old World. It is a fertile field for those who wish to partake of its riches.

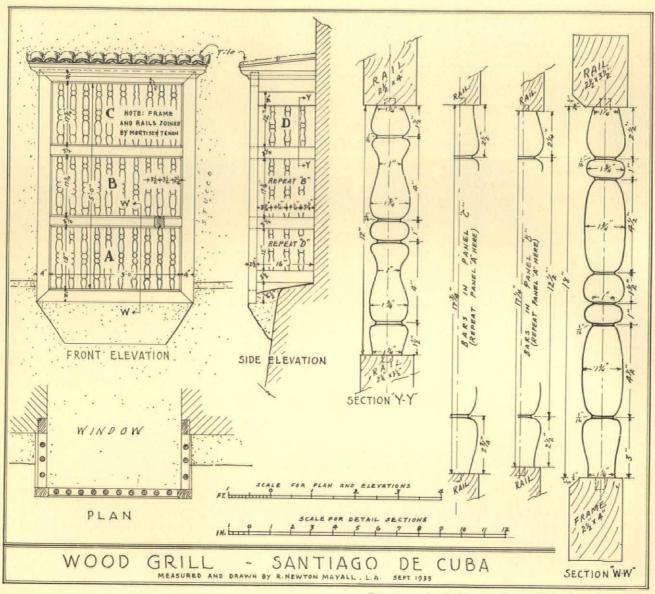
Perhaps we have forgotten that more than

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one hundred years before the founding of the Jamestown and Plymouth colonies, the first permanent settlement in the New World was made at Santo Domingo, in 1493.

Next door to us lies the Island of Cuba, at the western end of which is situated Habana, "The Paris of the West," and the tourist's paradise; at the eastern end is located the city of Santiago—a little bit of Spain transplanted in the New World.

Santiago might almost be termed the "Forgotten City." Founded by Velasquez in 1514, it was the capital of Cuba from that time until 1551, when the government was moved to Habana. During this brief period it was the



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centre of social, commercial, and political life in the New World, which was responsible for its extremely rapid growth. Its subsequent decline was a natural result, and today we find it sprawled over the side of a hill, about seven miles inland from the south coast, at the head of a landlocked bay.

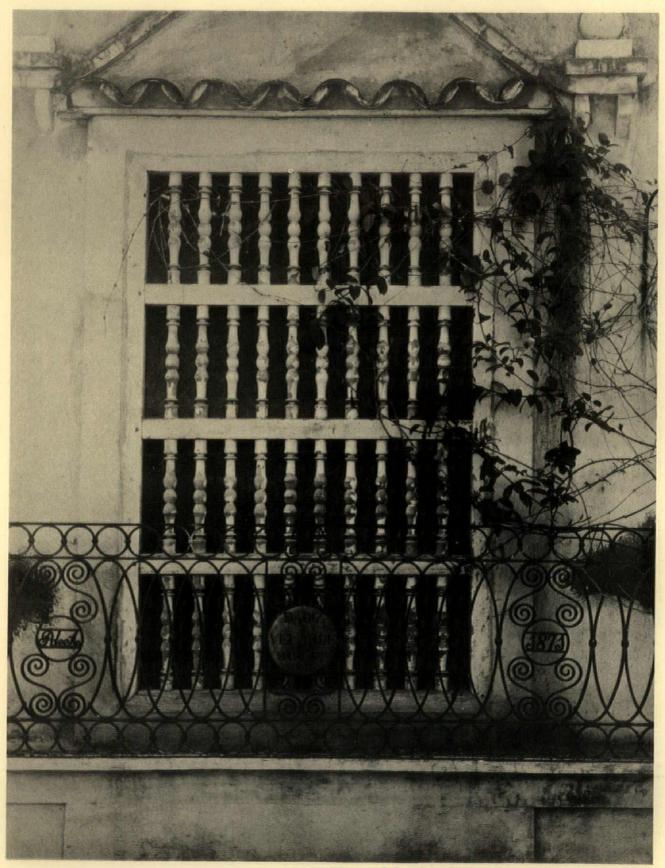
The bay and city are surrounded by high hills and mountains, the whole resembling a gigantic bowl. The scenic beauty of this portion of the island far exceeds that of the comparative lowlands to the west, with which we are all so familiar.

The quaint narrow streets, lined with low one-story houses, typically Spanish in character, whose irregularities add charm and interest to the city, in part attest to its antiquity. When looked up to from the harbor or down upon from the surrounding heights, the polychromatic walls and roofs glistening in the sunlight resemble a mammoth kaleidoscope. Balconied casement windows above one's head take one quickly back into the romantic past and remind one of the not too unromantic present. The city abounds in fine examples of early iron work, and wood grilles are found protecting many streetlevel casement windows.

The wood grilles are fascinating; no two are alike. Many of them are over 300 years old, and in an excellent state of preservation. They are met with in Turkey, Spain, and Mexico, to some extent; but in and about Santiago they are common. The architect and landscape architect will doubtless find them of great interest.

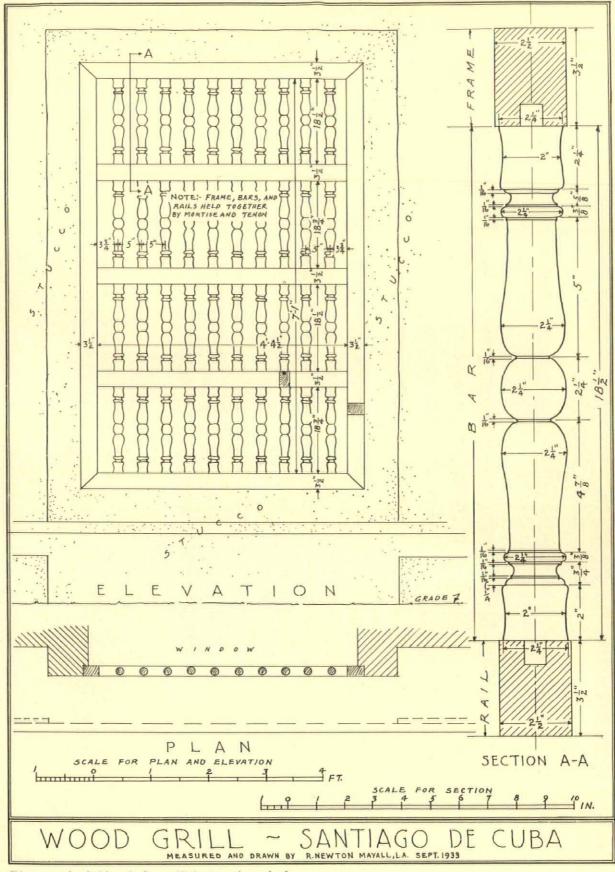


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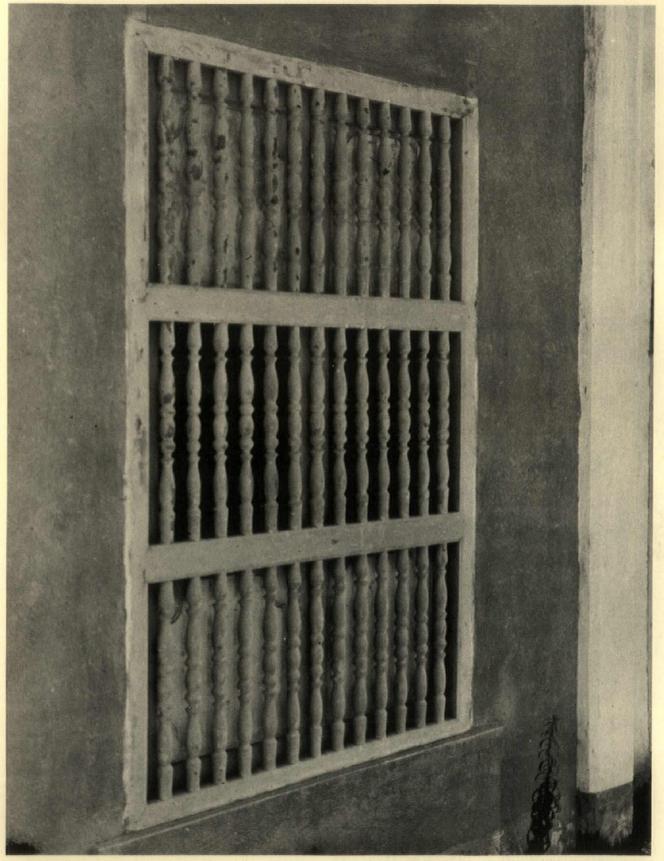
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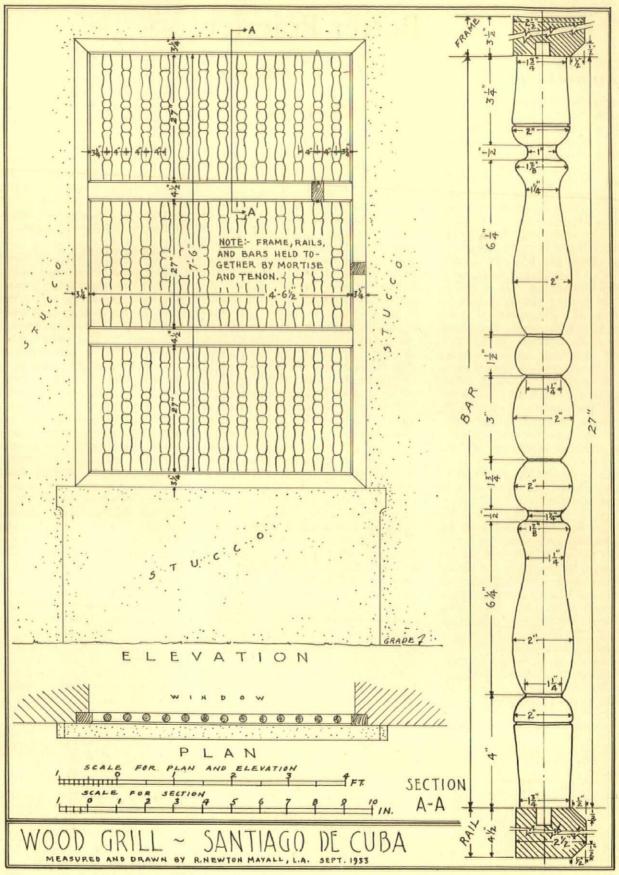


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# Better Practice

#### 1-LOCATION OF BOILER

T is usually advisable to place the heating plant as centrally as possible, to aid in the even distribution of heat. However, in conjunction with location some thought must be given to the supply of fuel that is to be used. With gas it means only some additional piping from outer wall to centre of basement; with oil the run of the pipe should not be too long, while with coal there is the question of where it can be delivered on the outside and how much additional labor is necessary to get it to centrally located bins. It is well to locate the boiler a sufficient distance away from all walls, so that all parts of it, including the smoke breeching, may be easily cleaned. This is particularly important where there are tubes to be cleaned, so that there is room to draw the cleaning brush through them. Then, too, it is better to locate the boiler in a part of the cellar where there will be no necessity to make a pit for it in order to obtain sufficient headroom for the proper piping. Of course if it is necessary to do this the pit must be large enough so that there will be sufficient room for firing and drawing the ashes. If the ground is not dry there must be proper provisions for water-proofing and draining it. A pit under the boiler, however, has its merits, as it allows more air under the grates with less likelihood of their burning due to ashes piled up under them (Fig. 1A). One thing often overlooked is the air supply for the boiler. To enclose a boiler in a closed room is poor practice. A window or an air duct should be provided so that the fuel may be completely burned. Lack of fresh air will result in a waste of fuel.

# By W. F. Bartels

#### HEATING

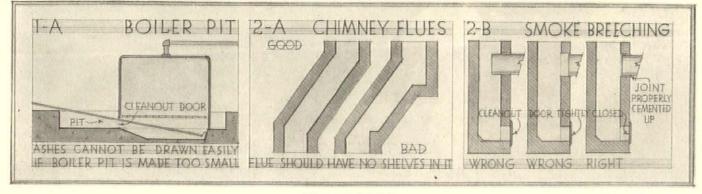
#### 2-CHIMNEY

From the standpoint of the tenant the chimney must be located so that it does not run through any part of the building where its heat may be a disadvantage; this is a sound reason for its complete insulation. If not properly erected a faulty chimney becomes a great fuel waster; it may be a source of danger if the flue linings (these should never be omitted) are not tight. There should be no cracks in the lining. The area of the flue should be the same all the way up the chimney, with no shelves or offsets to catch any soot (Fig. 2A). The size of the chimney should be governed by the boiler's requirements, and the boiler manufacturer's directions as to size should be implicitly followed. Do not economize -or rather, it might be said, do not be wasteful-by making the flue size too small. It is best to have a chimney so located that there are no long ducts in the cellar, and it is better to have long sweeping turns than to have sharp bends which will slow down the flow of the escaping gases. If more than one boiler is used, it is advisable when possible to have a separate flue for each boiler. All smoke breeching must be tight, and it is economy in the long run to have it made of a sufficiently heavy gauge so that renewal is not necessary each season. All cleanouts must be tight. Where the breeching enters the chimney, it is better to have it slightly behind the edge of the flue lining rather than projecting into the chimney. Nor should the breeching

be so near the outside face of the chimney th.t there may be danger of gas lea' age due to the movement of the breeching (Fig. 2B). The height of the chimney is very important. It must be of sufficient height so that neither adjoining buildings nor peculiar air currents due to them can cause a down draft (Fig. 2C). A dependable draft will usually be the natural result of a properly designed chimney.

#### **3-BOILER TYPES**

In general, boilers are cast iron or steel. Some steel boilers come in narrow sizes, but in general it is necessary to have a considerable wall opening through which they can be delivered to the cellar. Cast-iron boilers made in sections have the advantage that they may be carried through the average hallway into the cellar. This is an advantage in a building already erected. The claim, however, concerning the ease by which damaged sections may be renewed is slightly overestimated. The time necessary to install a new section will be worth almost as much as it would cost to install an entirely new boiler, and then one has the satisfaction of an entirely new product. The cast-iron type of boiler resists corrosion but cracks easily upon lack of water. The steel boiler resists cracking and has for its further protection a fusible plug in case of absence of water. Some castiron boilers now are supplied with fusible plugs. There are now on the market two steel boilers which can be installed wherever a cast-iron boiler can be located. The one is a steel boiler which is bolted together. while the other one is welded together on the job. Thus, if a steel



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boiler is desired for a building already erected, it can now be obtained.

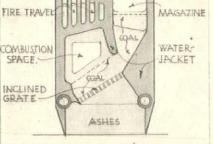
#### 4-LOSSES OF HEAT

The heat loss in flues due to unburned gases may run as high as 50 to 75 per cent, while a loss of 30 to 40 per cent of the heat units generated is not uncommon. This loss will be reflected in the coal bill and is generally due to poor firing, lowgrade coal, inefficient damper and draft regulators, or, in some cases, to poor boiler design. The only legitimate heat loss is that through the radiators themselves. Therefore the architect should see to it that there is as little loss as possible by piping (although some to warm the cellar is excusable), and that not too much escapes from the boiler itself. Proper insulation will reduce the piping loss, as well as that of the boiler. The designers of boilers strive to have as little exposed surface on the outside of the boiler as possible and all the exposed surface that is possible on the inside, so that every unit of heat generated may come in contact with a surface and be transferred to the water. The boiler should be so insulated that it will be possible to touch any of its sides with one's hand. However, this does not mean that the doors or gadgets attached to the boiler, such as pet cocks, etc., will be that cool.

#### 5-PROPER SIZE FOR BOILER

The great amount of heat lost from a building is not generally realized. The building itself gives off a great deal of heat. All one has to do to see this is to look down the side of a large building on a cold day. The heat waves can be seen shooting out from it for a distance of one to two feet. When the architect realizes this he will be more careful in selecting a boiler and give the proper amount of thought to its



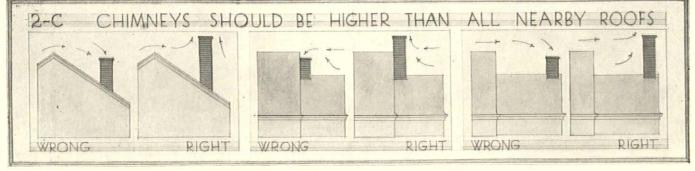


MAGAZINE HOLDS 24-HRS! COAL SUPPLY

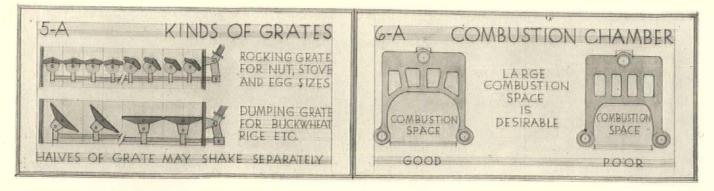
rating. It must be remembered that boilers are rated in many different ways, and not always on the same basis. Then, too, they are rated under ideal conditions. Nothing is deducted for the soot that is bound to accumulate. The surfaces are rated as if they were clean and not full of scale and dirt. It is presumed that there is an ideal draft and that the boiler is efficiently fired. Dirty or rusty water may make steaming more difficult. All these may be factors that will upset the architect's calculations, but nevertheless the client will blame only him if the heater does not deliver enough heat. Therefore the architect should always get a boiler that will do the duty to which it is assigned. As was previously mentioned, not all boilers are rated in the same way. To make sure that he is getting the proper amount of heating the architect is advised to consult a booklet put out by the Heating, Piping and Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association. This will give the real rating of the boiler, upon which he may depend. Then if the necessary radiation is accurately figured, the architect may rest assured that the building will be properly heated insofar as he can control the situation. A boiler is really a mechanism for converting the coal into heat and transferring the heat to the water. Too often the architect selects one too small in size to do the work properly.

The measure of the value of the performance of a boiler is the amount of the useful heat which is obtained from the coal used. The fuel used over a period of one year may cost as much as the boiler, in some cases even more. Therefore it is evident that the real cost of the heating of a building is not the comparatively small amount spent for a boiler, but the price of the fuel. Hence 10 per cent more spent for a boiler of adequate size to economically convert the coal into heat is not an extravagance but eventually a saving. Objections to a heating system are generally traceable to one of the following causes: incorrect piping, not enough radiation, poor chimney, and small boiler. Heating systems too often suffer from being too small. Fuel costs are excessive because a small boiler is driven too hard in an effort to get enough steam from it for the radiation. The result is that coal is burned faster than it is possible for the water to absorb the heat units, and hence most of them go up the chimney and are wasted.

The grate of a boiler and its care are important factors in the heating system. The grate should be rugged enough to withstand hard usage. Some boilers have their grates divided so that they may be shaken separately (Fig. 5A). This has an advantage in that one part of the fire may be allowed to lie dormant and the other part used to keep up the heat, as might be desirable in mild weather. It is better to keep sufficient air space under the grates so that they will be cool. The minimum distance between the bottom of the ash pit and the grates should be 18 inches, and it is preferable to have it 24 inches. Good quality grates wear out very slowly in the average boiler. Replacement becomes necessary only when they are burned out. The architect should



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make sure that he specifies a large enough grate area. An oversized grate area allows a slower burning of gases and a consequently longer time for the heat units to be transferred to the water.



#### 6—BOILER INTERIOR—TUBES AND SECTIONS

One of the first things the architect should look for in the boiler he would specify is whether or not it is easy to keep clean. If not, he can rest assured that the person who attends the boiler will not make an effort to keep the boiler clean from soot, and consequently it will lose much of its efficacy. Then it is important to see to what tests the boiler is subjected, so that he will be sure that it is going to stand up under severe demands. It is well to specify a boiler having a large combustion space so that the gases will have a place in which to burn and will not dissipate their heat in the chimney (Fig. 6A). A flat surface over the combustion chamber would not offer as much area for heat transference as a corrugated one, hence many manufacturers have taken advantage of this principle and have corrugations in the crown sheets of their boilers. These help in still an-other way. If the air were allowed to flow along without any interfer-

ence it would stratify, but because of these corrugations it is stirred up and more heat units are removed from it (Fig. 6B). The next thing for the architect to require is a long fire travel. The longer this is the more chance there is for the boilers to absorb the heat units from the gases (Fig. 6C). Also, the more tube and other interior surface area there is exposed, the less heat will go up the chimney. There must be space inside the boiler for the water to circulate. The more this is possible the more heat can be absorbed from the hot gases. In large plants it is often advantageous to put mechanical circulators on the boilers to increase their efficiency. The better boilers have a large steaming space, so that only dry steam is sent up through the pipes. To send wet steam through the lines only overloads them.

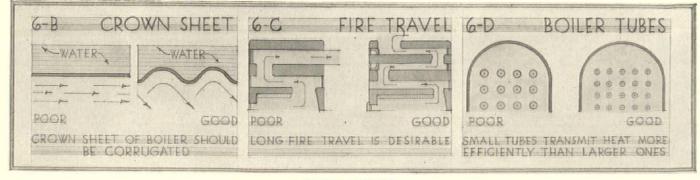
Steel boilers often have small tubes. This is permissible within limits, and is good practice if the architect makes sure that they are not so small that they will easily clog up and be difficult to keep clean (Fig. 6D). Also, the tubes will very often be long so that in the long travel more of the heat may be transferred to the tubes and thence to the water. However, it is important that the tubes be easily cleaned of soot or their efficiency will be radically reduced by its insulation. Some boilers come with especially low water lines so that they may be installed in shallow cellars without the necessity of building pits for them.

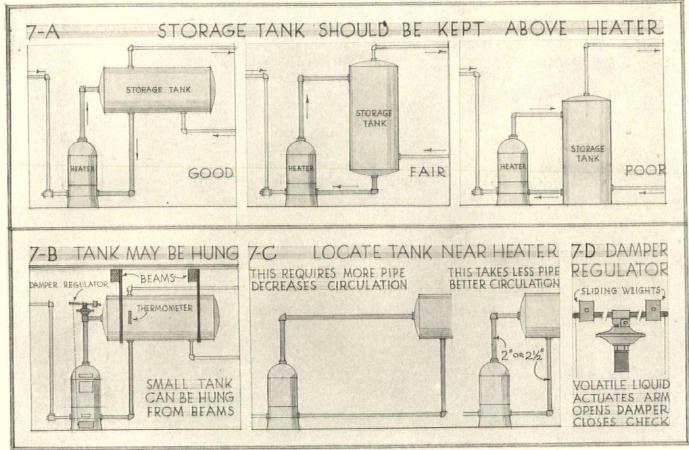
Water-tube boilers are generally not used where there is hard water, because of the difficulty of cleaning them.



#### 7-DOMESTIC HOT WATER

All the general requirements that hold good for steam and hot-water heating boilers will also be true with several additions for boilers supply-ing domestic hot water. While ing domestic hot water. steam boilers are generally tested for a hydrostatic pressure of 60 to 100 lbs., hot-water tank heaters must stand much higher pressures, due to the fact that the water is under pressure before it is heated. Therefore some tank heaters are tested for as high as 300 lbs. hydrostatic pressure, which of course adds to the ease of mind of the owner of such a heater. The architect should investigate the heater's rating. Most catalogues give the number of gallons the heater will heat. They often fail to mention the number of hours it takes to do this. In other words, a heater which is labelled 600 gallons may be on a six-hour basis, which means it is capable of heating 100 gallons of water 100 degrees per hour, or 600 gallons of water 100





degrees in six hours. Sometimes the tests are based on a different number of hours, and it is important to know this.

It is best practice to put the bottom of the tank above the top of the heater and in a horizontal position rather than in an upright one as is too often done (Fig. 7Å). If it is a small tank for a one or two family house the tank may be hung to the beams in order to achieve this position (Fig. 7B). It is advisable to have the circulating lines between the heater and the tank as short as possible, as well as to have them the same size as the outlets on the heater or the tank (Fig. 7C). This makes for a freer flow of the water through these lines, and is the most efficient way to do the job, because it trans-fers the heat to the water most quickly. There should be a washout plug at the bottom of the heater so that it may be flushed out when necessary. It is well to have a relief valve on the system in order that the heater as well as the tank and the lines may be protected. This valve will discharge water when the pressure exceeds the amount for which the valve is set. The amount for which the valve is set depends upon the water pressure and the pressure that the tank will stand. A line should lead from the relief valve back to a wall or other place where a discharge of hot water will not injure any one.



The tank question is an important one. In the smaller building it is desirable to have one that will not rust. These are now produced in several metals and are very satisfactory. In the larger buildings, however, the costs of such tanks would be too great at the present time, so either black iron ones or galvanized ones are used. Here the architect must be very careful in his selection. The tanks are divided into two classes, standard and extra heavy. The standard tank is tested



Next month Mr. Bartels will deal with further elements of Better Practice in Heating

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 272 for 75 lbs., while the extra heavy is tested for 100 lbs. But the difference does not stop at that point. It must be realized that more rusting will take place in a black iron tank than in a galvanized one. Therefore the better tanks are made of thicker sheets either at the ends or throughout. However, unless there is a specific demand for these better tanks an inferior one may be foisted upon the architect. The heating contractor or the plumber can evade the demand for the better tank by proving that his tank will stand a pressure of 100 lbs., and although the better tanks are made of heavier plates, there is no definite standard that the architect can refer to as regards thickness.

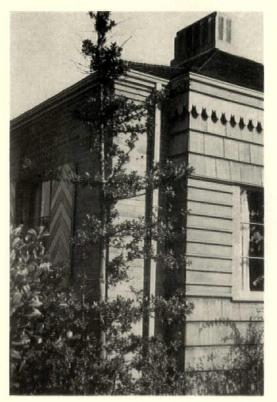
A check valve on the hot-water return line is an important adjunct to prevent any interference in the circulation of the hot water. A thermometer on the hot-water tank gives the person operating the system something to go by other than a guess. A damper regulator that is operated by means of an apparatus put on the hot-water circulating line not only will result in coal saved but in a more uniform temperature being maintained (Fig. 7D).

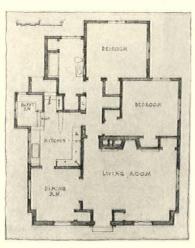
# Some Recent Houses by Herman Brookman



The front of the house is of twelveinch salmon-colored brick. Above the windows the decorated panels are of brick set with the corners pro-

Below, a detail of a front corner, from which it will be seen that the side walls are of shakes with a window course of cedar and horizontal battens





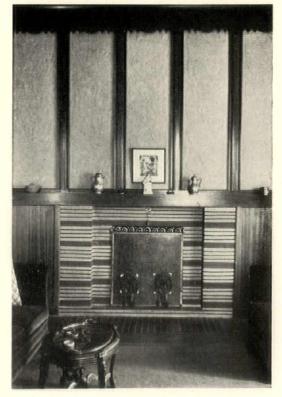
The floor plan is of the compact one-story type so widely used on the West Coast

House for Tom Greene, Jr. Portland, Oregon

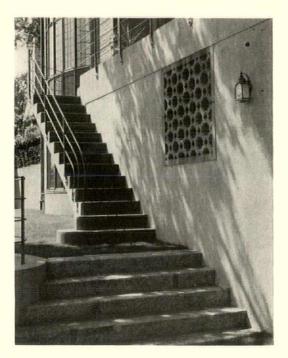
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jecting. On the shutters the herringbone strips are of a light apple green on the same silver gray as the roof. Sash is green

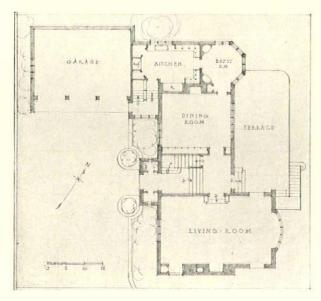
In the living-room the architect has emphasized the fireplace with brick of two colors, the horizontal lines contrasting with the vertical battens of the woodwork around the room







Portland's unusual topography explains the hillside house with its view to the east over the city, the river, and the snow-capped peaks of the Cascades. Every important room in the house has this eastern exposure. Brick is salmon-color, roof of hand-split cedar shakes stained silver gray. The bay and woodwork trim is cedar siding stained like the roof. The entrance motive is trimmed with cast stone

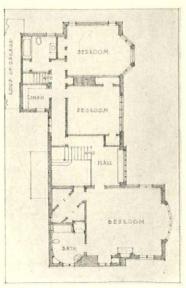


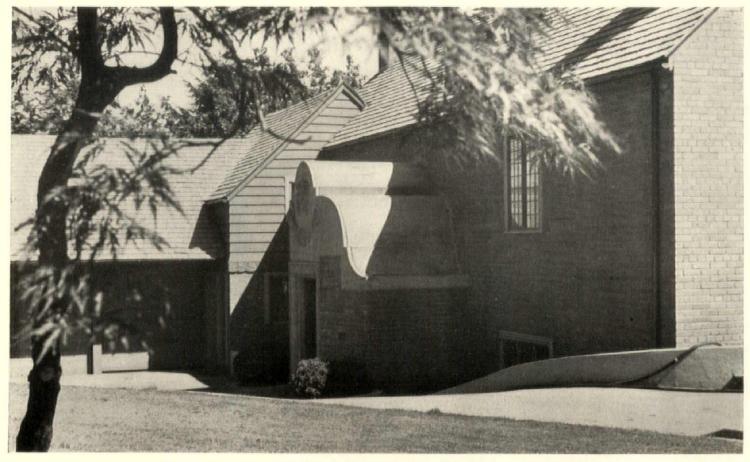
At left, first-floor plan. It will be noticed that one enters upon a landing midway between first and second floors

At right, plan of second floor. There is in the basement a large playroom with fireplace, two maids' rooms and a bath, laundry, and boiler room

House for Lee S. Elliot Portland, Oregon Herman Brookman, Architect

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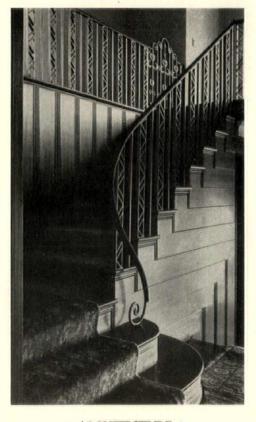


The west front, to which the entrance drive dips. The garage is at left, and there is an adequate court space for turn-around

In the hall near the main entrance door

A corner of the hexagonal breakfast room. Half of its wall surface consists of windows commanding the view





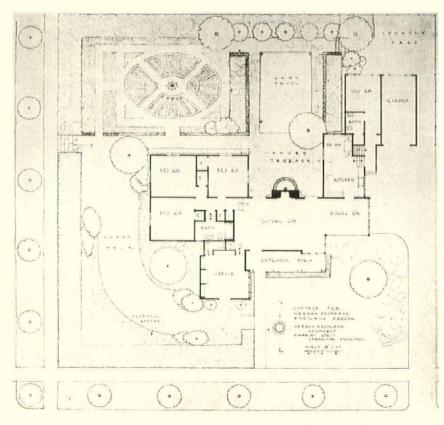
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The stair rail is of wrought iron



A glimpse of the dining-room from the hall. Here the woodwork is of La Juan mahogany finished in its natural color





Mr. Brookman's own house is built largely of wood, but has a base course of brick. Siding and brick are painted white, excepting the window course, which has a gray-pink cast. The doors are of this same color. Silver gray cedar shingles are used for the roof

The plan shows an ingenious combination of living quarters and office, the latter at a level three steps below the livingroom and opening upon what is in effect a garden of its own

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A corner of the living-room, showing the stairway leading down to the bedrooms

The dining-room is an extension of the living-room, as may be seen from the plan, with a continuous band of windows on two sides

Below, entrance to the office. The decorative pediment is of carved wood painted white. The door has the same gray-pink color as the window course





The fireplace side of the living-room, with an unusual combination of brick and woodwork keyed together. Portieres cover the doors leading out upon the terrace

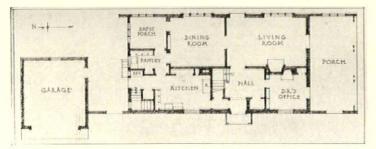


Below, a glimpse of the house from the upper slope to the southeast









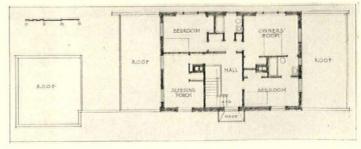
A common red brick has been used for the walls of the Palmer house. The roof is of cedar shingles stained silver gray. All of the trim is white, and the shutters a light blue-green

Main entrance. The delicacy of scale in the trellis and supports is due to the fact that the material is wrought iron, painted white

> House for Dr. Dorwin L. Palmer Portland, Oregon

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There is a workable combination of house and doctor's office here, with the possibility of entering the doctor's office either through the porch, or, if that is occupied, through the main entrance

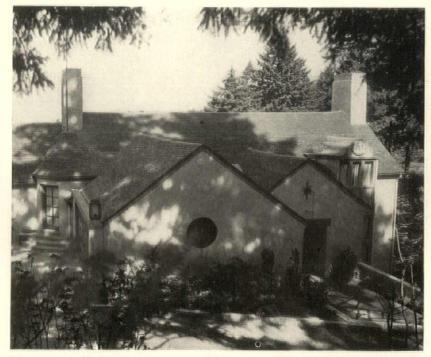




Another hillside house with the entrance front on the upper side. The combination of stucco, carved wood lintel, and wrought iron lighting fixture is an interesting one

The McHolland house is of stucco on masonry. Trim and stucco are a cream color, with shutters of blue-green, and silver-gray cedar shingle roof





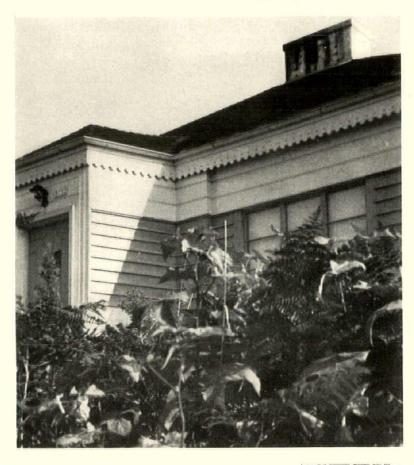
HOUSE OF V. H. JORGENSON, PORTLAND, OREGON

HERMAN BROOKMAN, ARCHITECT House of J. McHolland, Portland, Oregon

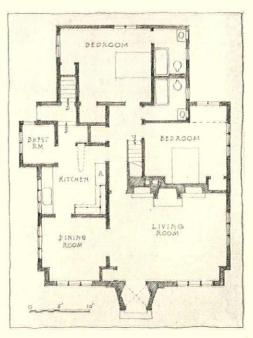




There is a similarity of plan in the house shown on this page and the Green house on page 273. Each of these cost \$4,500 a little over two years ago. Here again the architect has emphasized in color and material a horizontal course for the windows. Considering the size of the house with its two bedrooms, the supply of bathrooms is unusual



House of Mrs. Emma Stein Portland, Oregon Herman Brookman, Architect



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Saturday, September 1.-Talbot F. Hamlin, who is librarian of the Avery Library of Columbia University, has some interesting ideas as to what an architectural library of today should be. In the first place, since the Avery Library is an American library, it should be particularly strong in material devoted to the architecture of this region. But the library must also be a place where the architectural student can find a record of the great achievements of architecture and the allied arts of both past and present. Additions to the shelves cannot be made on the basis of any dogmatic theory of style desirability or any personal prejudices. By far the greatest number of recent acquisitions are books concerning directly or indirectly the so-called modern movement in architecture and the allied arts.

Monday, September 3.—The Portland Cement Association deserves the commendation of the profession as a whole. Unlike some of the other trade associations which have been none too careful in activities that trespass upon the architect's field of action, the Portland Cement Association has adopted the policy of answering the technical questions of prospective builders by putting them in touch with architects. It has steadfastly refused to enter upon any program of stock plan selling. Our hats are off to you, Sirs !

Wednesday, September 5 .- The problem of extending architectural services to include the small house-the great bulk of building in this country-continues to receive an increasing amount of thought and study. Wilbur R. Hana-walt, of Cleveland, has a program which is worthy of notice. "Any effort at the solution of the small-house problem must be two-fold: It must reach the public in terms that the public can understand; and it must place the public's needs before the profession.... The needs are mainly two: Making possible the handling of the smaller contract by architects and decorators on a profitable basis; and getting authoritative and unbiased information into the hands of the small home builder when he needs it. . . . The A. I. A. should invite the co-oper-ation of organized interior decorators and landscape architects in forming a national home information council. This council would carry on a continuous program to integrate the work of present and added sources in information for the public. . . . It would direct the appropriate agencies where unbiased information could be secured. . . . The prospective home builder's needs and desires would be summarized and codified, then referred to a committee of the professional group. This committee of the would determine whether members of the professions would care to handle the case, and if so, refer it to a member on some rotating basis.... If, on the



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other hand, the job was too small for professional handling, it would be returned to the information centre for execution through the use of student architects, decorators, and landscape men, being finally approved by the professional board before execution.... Thus the public could benefit by trained skill; students would profit by actual experience in small house work with professional supervision while earning some small remuneration."

The chief difficulty on the face of this scheme is the elaboration of organization required, though this organization might be achieved gradually and improved as experience dictated.

Thursday, September 6.- After months of jockeying for position the New York Housing Authority and the Public Works Administration in Washington seem at the moment to have reached an understanding. At least Mr. Ickes has announced that he is ready to go ahead on a basis which he outlines in detail. The PWA is to buy the land, to give the Housing Authority a 30 per cent grant and a loan, the city's equity being mainly in the form of public services and in land gained by the closing of certain streets that would no longer be necessary. The project is to be amortized in a longer period than usual, forty-five years, and is to be supervised jointly by the Housing Authority and the Federal PWA. It should seem that some such logical arrangement as this might have been arrived at months ago.

Saturday, September 8.—While the contributors to the Guest Editor's section in the last issue took a stand almost unanimously against competitions, nevertheless, I hear more and more enthusiasm for certain kinds of competitions as being well adapted to present needs. For instance, the design of state and city works if handed over to an architect or a group on the basis of someone's judgment alone is almost sure to provoke criticism. A properly conducted competition for such work gives the small men a chance to prove their worth and, in these days, is no great hardship in requiring the duplication of

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effort-since if the competitors are not doing that they are probably reading the newspapers. Lorimer Rich makes the assertion that every one of the satisfactory public buildings in New York was designed as a result of a competition; moreover, that those which were not the result of competitions are less notable architecturally. Herbert G. Wenzell, in *The Weekly Bulletin*, of the Michigan Society of Architects, makes the point that Raymond Hood's career illustrates the value of competitions. Without such means of attaining recognition Hood might still have been unknown at his death. That, of course, is a very debatable question, for Hood's power grew apace in the last twelve years, and might very easily have done so even without his spectacular leap into fame with the Tribune Tower competition.

Monday, September 10 .- It is a matter of serious concern to us that we have no really adequate means of gathering promptly the news of architects throughout the United States. We did not know until long after his death, on August 23, that Charles Kotting, of the old wellknown firm of Chittenden & Kotting, had passed on. We do read a number of newspapers from all over the country, but by no means all of the important ones. I wish there were some way in which organizations in the profession or individual members of the profession could be induced to keep us informed about important events in their respective communities.

Tuesday, September 11 .- Tonight Sigmund Spaeth is giving a dinner to nearly two hundred men and women interested in the possibilities of a new form of art expression adapted to the radio. On my left as I take my seat at the table is Miss Elstner, one of the cast of "The Gibson Family"; on my right, Mrs. Courtney Ryley Cooper, whose husband has written the book for this new musical comedy, designed particularly for broad-The prospect of a pleasant casting. evening between two such interesting table neighbors has suddenly lost its significance, for on my left-hand neigh-bor's left is Lawrence Tibbet—so I shall see no more of her. Turning to my right, on the far side of Mrs. Cooper, Rudy Vallee has just taken his seat. The prospect, therefore, would indicate that I had better busy myself with writing diary.

Thursday, September 13.—James H. Blauvelt tells me that Mrs. Edward Palmer York, widow of the late partner in the firm of York & Sawyer, has joined him in the practice of interior decoration.

Friday, September 14.—Commissioner Robert Moses, John H. Finley, and I. N. Phelps Stokes rededicated Bryant Park in the rear of the New York Public Li-

brary today. This two-thirds of a city block has passed through a picturesque life in which it finally came to be one of the most disreputable parks in the city of New York. Robert Moses, with the aid of the unemployed, has ended this, and has produced a magnificent open space as a setting for the William Cullen Bryant bronze. The scheme is one developed by the Park Department from Lusby Simpson's winning design in a competition held in the fall of 1933 by the Architects' Emergency Committee. Here is a great central plot of lawn surrounded by a double border of trees, with a memorial fountain to Mrs. Josephine Shaw Lowell near the west end. A memorial to Robert Shaw, Mrs. Lowell's brother, stands at the head of the Boston Common. The thing I liked most about the new park is that it has a central open greensward which, incidentally, is likely to be kept so in spite of city dust and midsummer droughts, for it has an underground sprinkling system.

Saturday, September 15.—Mrs. Simkhovitch, who is president of the National Public Housing Conference and vicechairman of the New York City Housing Authority, has come back from England deeply impressed by the progress that is being made in housing throughout England. England's present attitude toward housing as a public duty is reflected in an address by the Earl of Listowel before the House of Lords:

"The basis for the uneconomic housing of the poorest paid section of the working class . . . is founded on the belief that individuals have the same right to decent homes and decent housing accommodations as they have to a minimum of education or to the protection of the law. . . Private enterprise has been unable to furnish these houses at a low rent for the working class [and now] the State and local authorities have to step in and do what the business man has been unable to perform."

Monday, September 17 .- The Engineering Foundation believes there is considerable more activity of late in the study of building foundations than in all history before our time. Foundation planning is still primarily a matter of judgment. Nevertheless, we are rapidly learning something about soil mechanics and the widely differing conditions that may be found even in local foundations. In designing a column footing ten feet square, the engineer used to assume that the pressure on the soil under each square foot of the footing will be, say, two tons. Actually this is not the case, the pressure on the soil being greatest at the centre and least at the edges. Many engineers and research bodies are adding to our knowledge concerning the mysteries of underground supports.

Tuesday, September 18.-Lunched with Philip Giddens, recently back from Spain with a portfolio full of beautiful drawings. Some of these we are to have the pleasure of reproducing in an early issue. Like most of his fellow etchers, Mr. Giddens reports that the dealers are selling comparatively few etchings these days.

Wednesday, September 19.—There is a significant straw in the wind perhaps, in the fact that this morning's *Times* tells of two more Manhattan loft buildings, one of four stories and one of five, which are being cut down to two stories each. There is a superabundance of loft space in New York, but ground floor space, being limited by the size of the island, is in better demand.

Thursday, September 20. - R. A. Fisher, Assistant Professor of Architecture at Carnegie Tech., showed me the work that unemployed architects and draftsmen of Pittsburgh have been doing this summer in low-cost housing research. About nineteen of these men were employed for a period of about sixteen weeks studying the possibilities both in city housing and in subsistence housing, working out details of engineering, heating, and the like. The results of this work, under Professor Fisher's direction, consisted of a large number of uniformly rendered drawings together with working drawings of the structural and mechanical details-a particularly interesting showing, embodying many fresh ideas in the technician's work. With the main emphasis having been placed upon the social and economical phases in our general study of housing by various bodies and individuals during the past two years, this examination of some possibilities from the technician's viewpoint is particularly constructive.

Friday, September 21.—Motored up across Connecticut and Massachusetts into New Hampshire and Vermont, following the Connecticut Valley toward the river's source. There ought to be a custom established providing for an annual visit into this northern country when the foliage is assuming its autumnal dress. It is just as important for the eyes to be rested and benefited by the tapestry of these northeastern hillsides as it is to benefit the body by annual visits to the baths of Baden Baden, or to Vichy or Saratoga Springs for the waters.

Sunday, September 23. — Motored through the tight little valley sheltering Plymouth and the Coolidge homestead, and, in contrast to this primitive simplicity, had a look at the Orozco murals in the Baker Library of Dartmouth at Hanover. The murals are even worse than I had judged them from the photo-

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graphic reproductions. Once again it was impressed upon me that the place for Mexican painters, if any, is in Mexico.

Monday, September 24 .- Visited the memorial to Augustus Saint-Gaudens at Cornish. His home, which was an old inn remodeled, together with a lovely garden and the studios he has added, are maintained by trustees as a memorial to the man and his work. In the larger studio are to be found the full-size plaster model of the Chicago "Lincoln," and smaller models of the Adams memorial in Washington, Robert Shaw at the head of the Boston Common, the Diana that once perched on top of the Madison Square Tower, the Stevenson bas-reliefs, and many other reminders of the wealth of beauty in form that Saint-Gaudens left us.

Wednesday, September 26 .- Having motored down the Connecticut Valley yesterday, I spent the night with Lewis Welsh in his two-hundred-year-old farmhouse at Fairfield, then to see and photograph the new house which Louis Rosenberg, architect and etcher, has built for himself in Greens Farms. Rosenberg, like most of those who have freed themselves from the fetters of literal style copying, is frequently amused by the bewilderment of visitors who refuse to believe that no style label can be attached to his house. It is reminiscent of work in England, France, and in the country of his own forefathers, Sweden, the whole welded into an unusually charming environment for life today.

Friday, September 28. - Frederick Woodbridge, Jr., was telling me at luncheon today of the reconstruction of Columbia University's School of Architecture. While the problem method as developed by the Ecole is being retained as the basic principle of instruction, group competitions are eliminated. Dean Hudnut feels that the competitive system has developed so many conventions and so many arbitrary standards of judgment as to have become widely separated from reality. There are to be three studios in the School of Architecture, for the work of design. Each of these will be under a master and an assistant. The three masters are Jan Ruhtenberg, the Swedish architect, Dean Hudnut, and Russell M. Krob. In the evening studios for special students, Henry S. Churchill and Frederick Woodbridge, Jr., will be the masters. The student will set his own problem, and will work it out in considerably further degree than in the past, under the master's direction. It is possible in this way for a student to specialize much more easily in the particular field which interests him-whether it be decoration or large-scale housing or individual residential work. It will be the master's province to guide him in setting up the problem and in solving it in line with regular office practice.



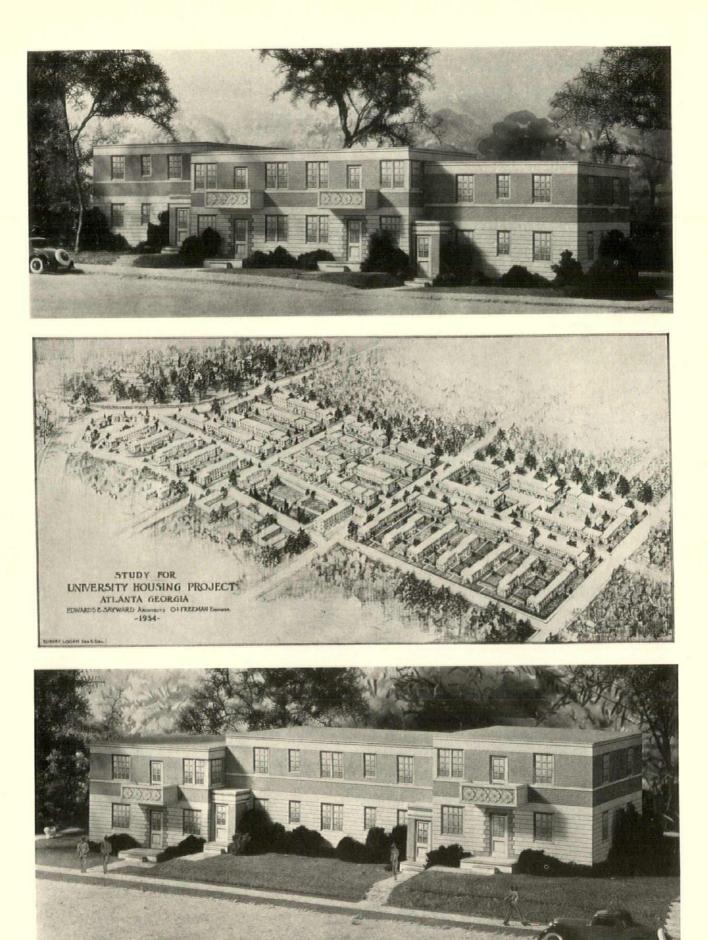
In a typical slum section of Atlanta, Ga., demolition has been started in preparation for the erection of a housing project under the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works. The allocation of public funds is \$2,100,000. The plot of seventeen and one-half acres, that cost the government 39 cents per square foot, is near three institutions for the higher education of Negroes, and the housing is exclusively for that race.

one-half acres, that cost the government 30 cents per square foot, is near three institutions for the higher education of Negroes, and the housing is exclusively for that race. Building coverage, 26 per cent. There are to be forty-two groups of two- and threestory family housing units, containing approximately 2450 rooms. The apartments are of four types, ranging from two to five rooms. There is to be a building for stores and offices. The plan calls for no back yards, and no common halls, entrances being on both sides of the buildings. Construction provides fire-proof, reinforced concrete floors. Walls are faced with cinder blocks (painted) and brick, backed up with load-bearing tile. Roofs are of tar and gravel, insulated. Heating and cooking by gas. A plot plan appears overleaf, and the character of the work is shown by the accompanying photographs of models

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# University Housing Project, Atlanta, Ga.

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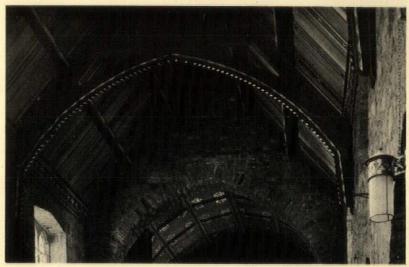


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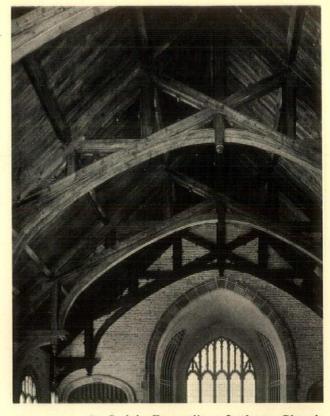
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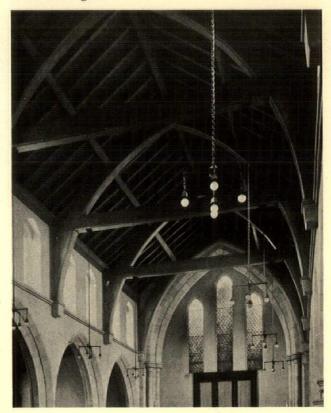
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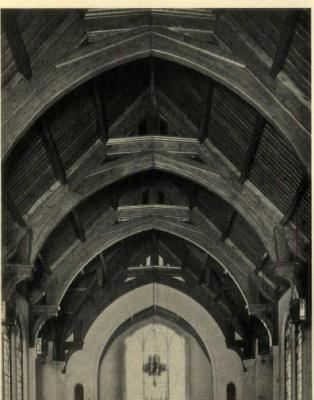


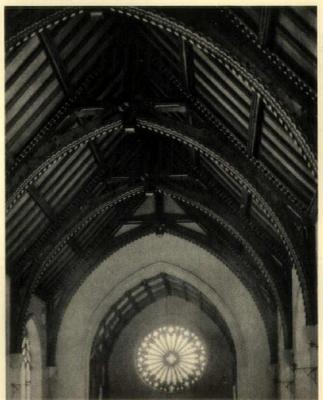
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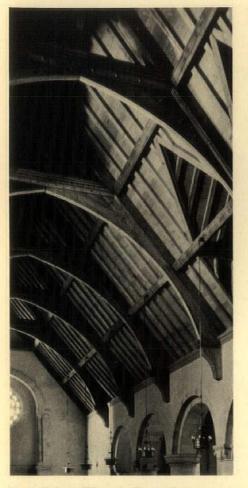
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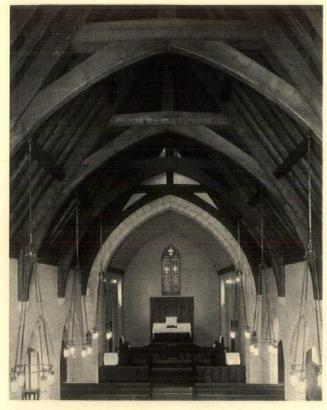
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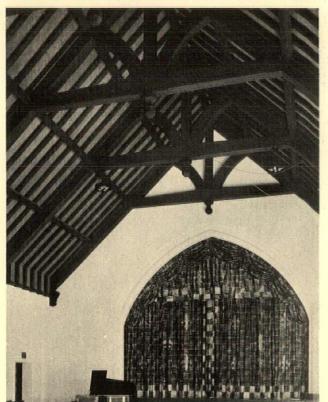


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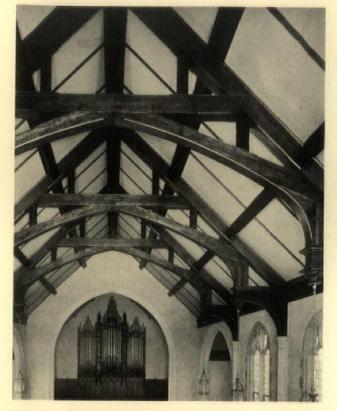


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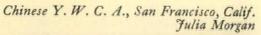




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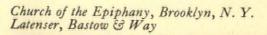


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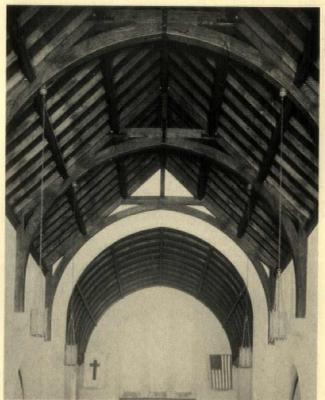




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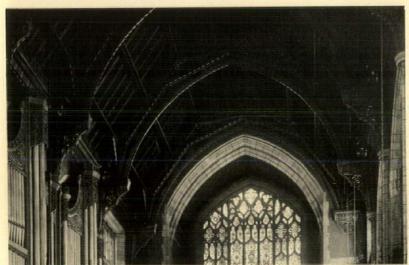


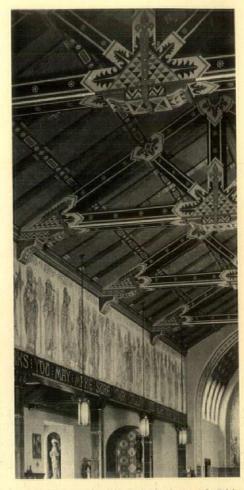






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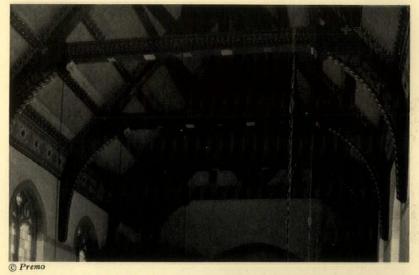


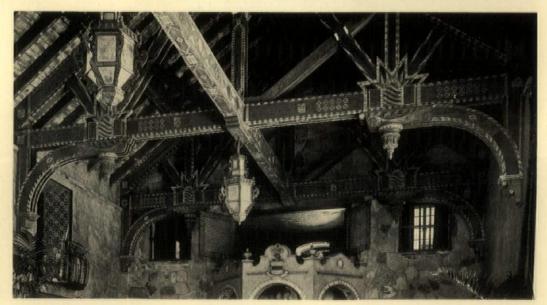
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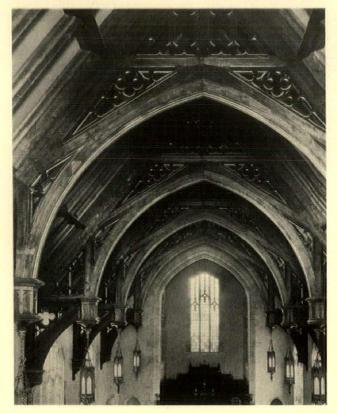
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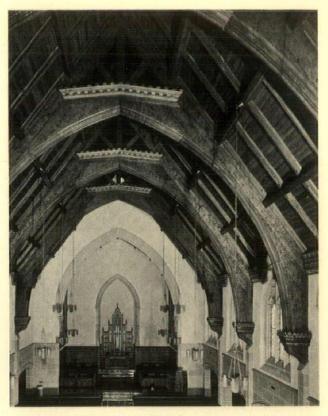
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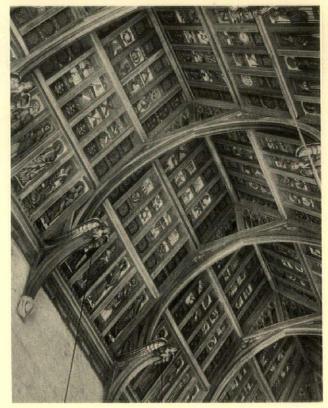
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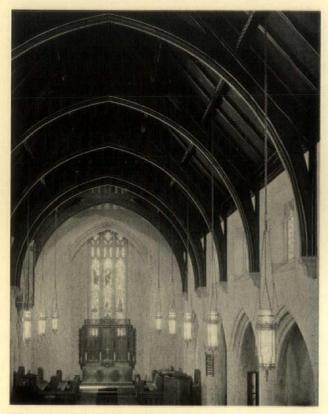
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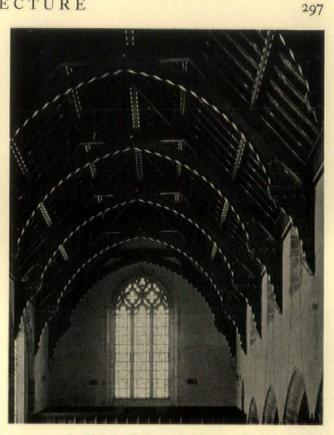


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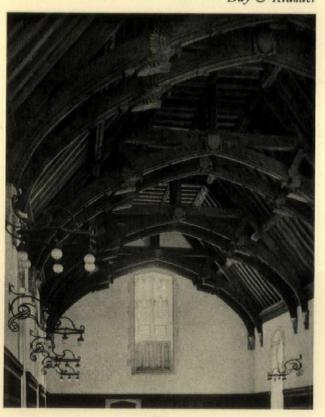
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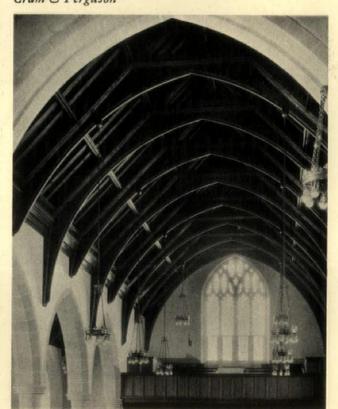


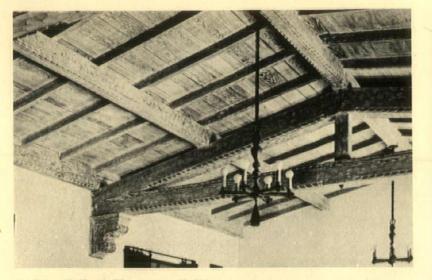
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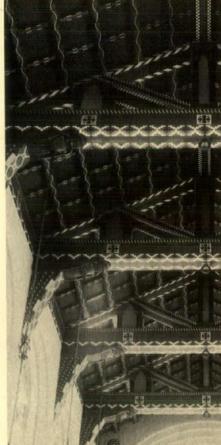






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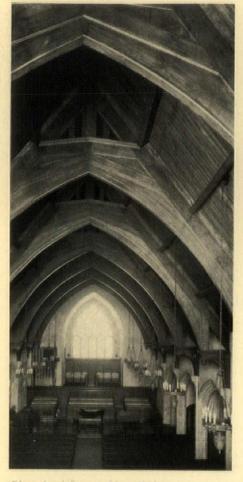
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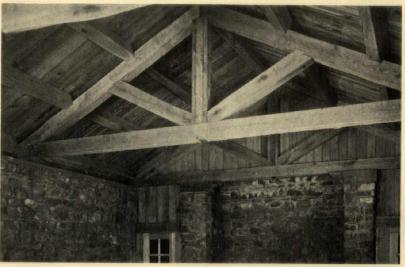


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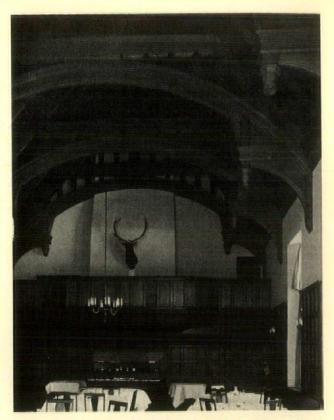
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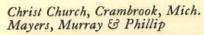


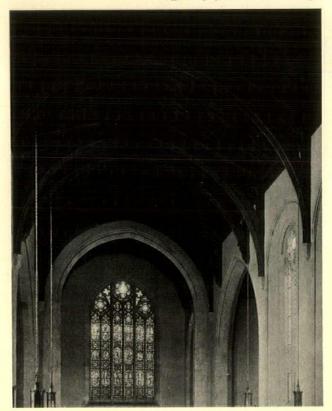
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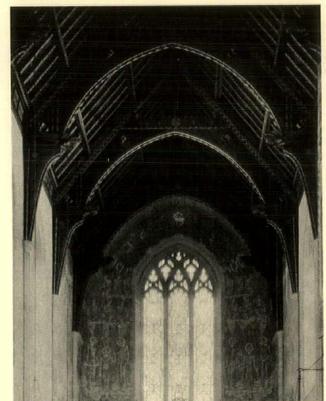
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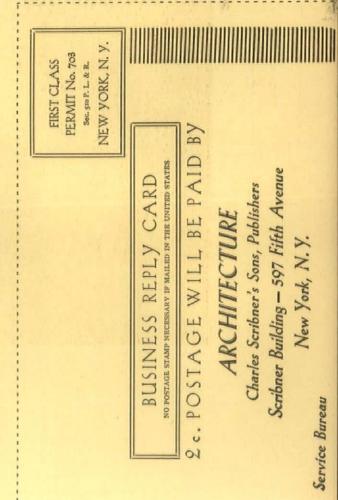
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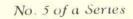
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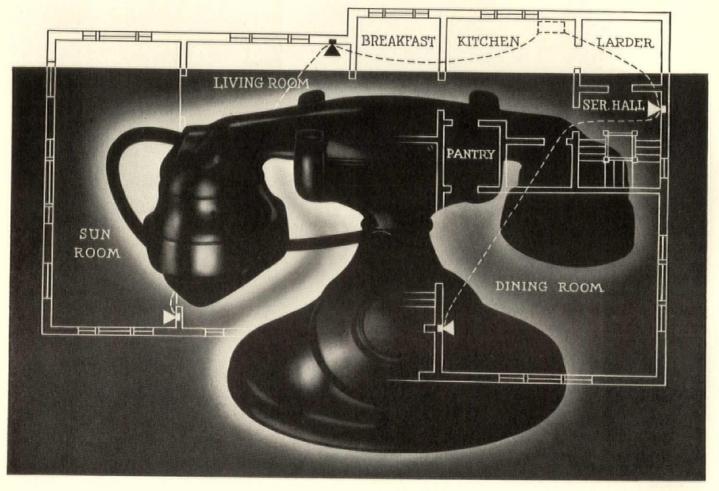
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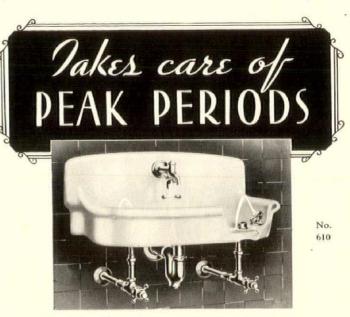
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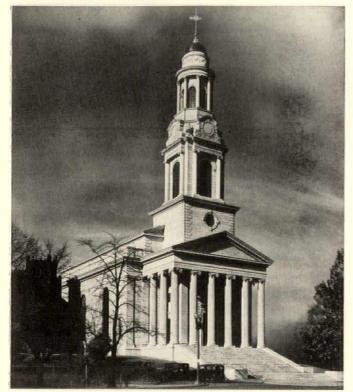
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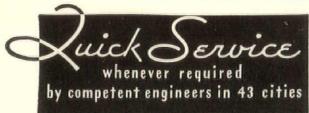
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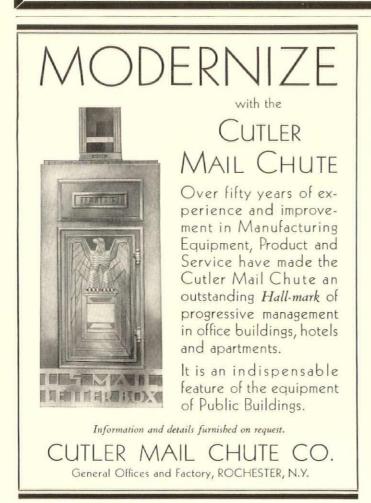
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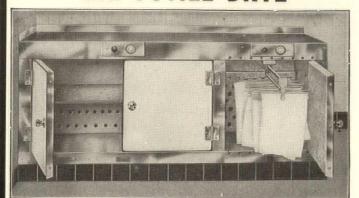
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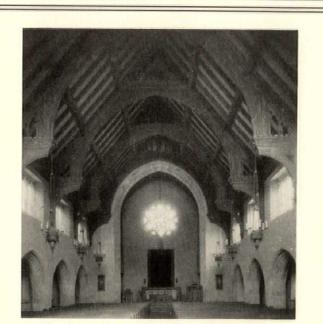
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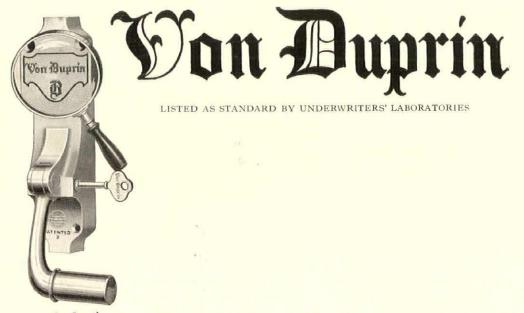
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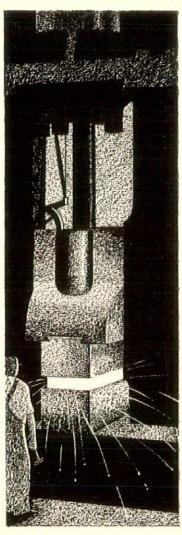
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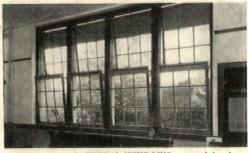
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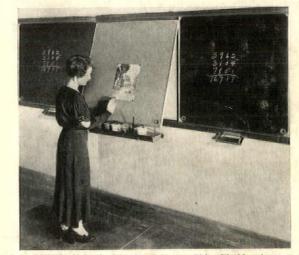


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