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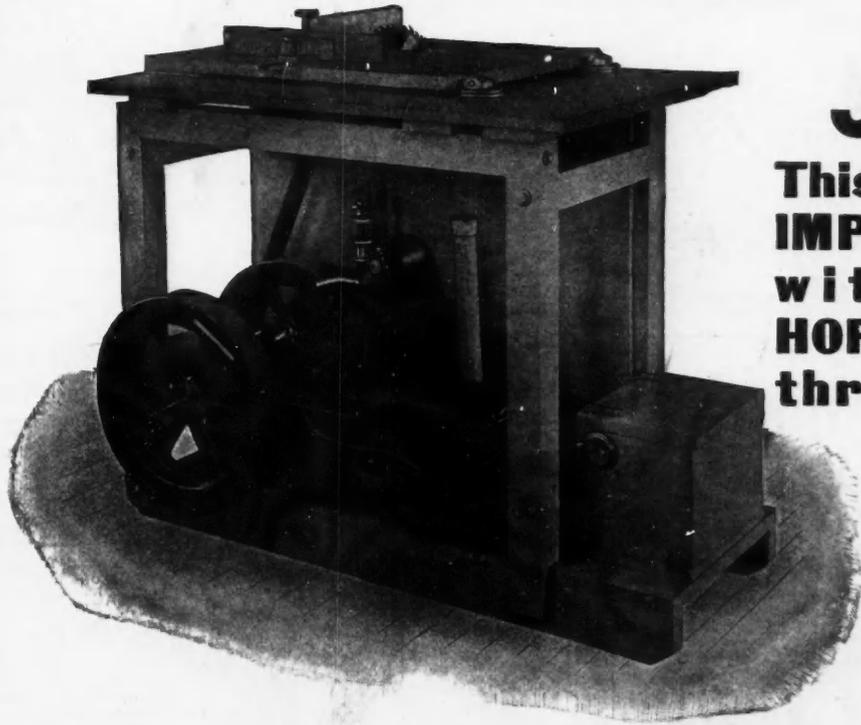
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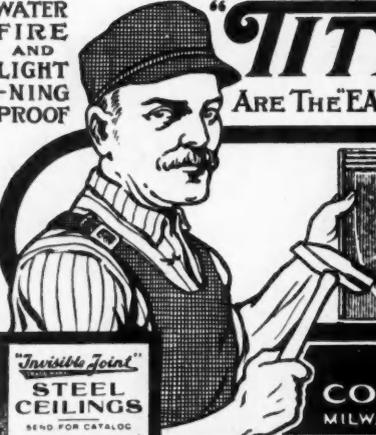
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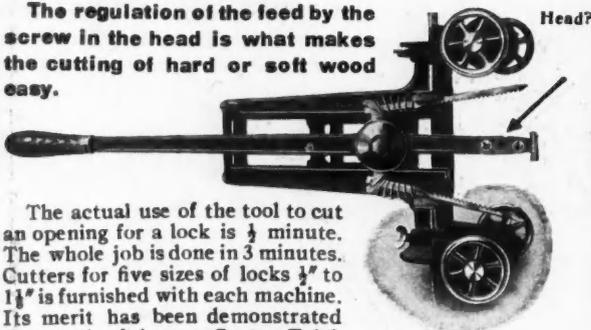
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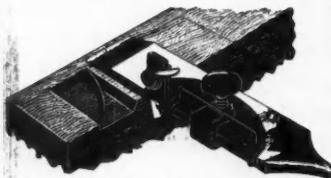
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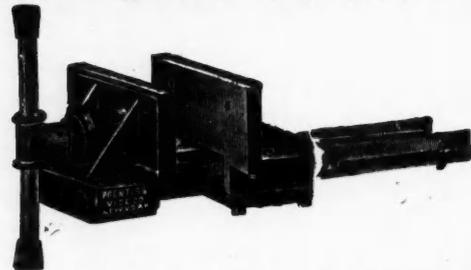
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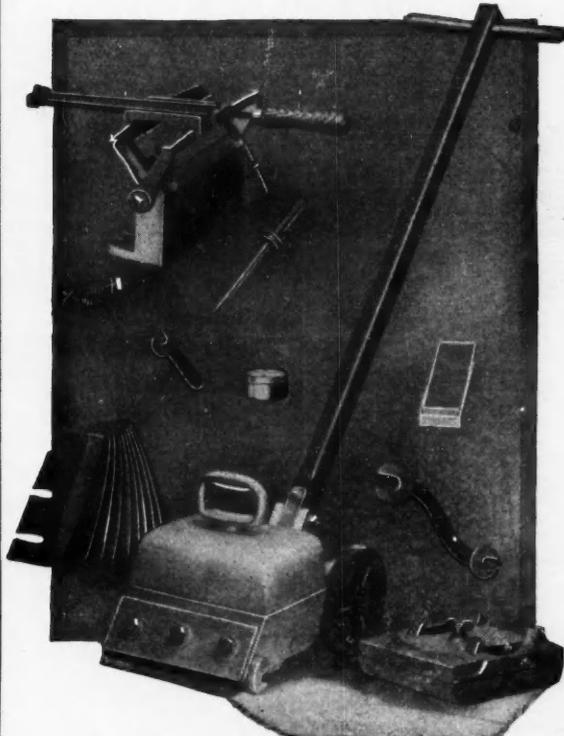
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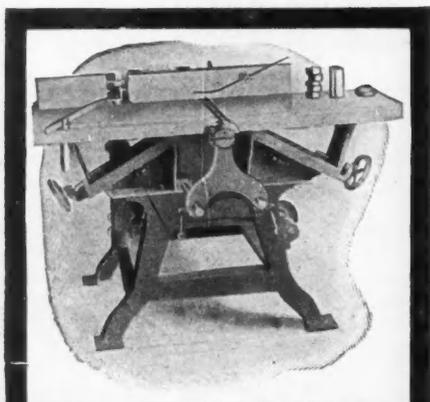
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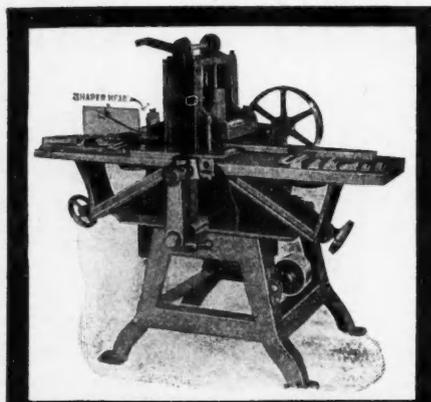
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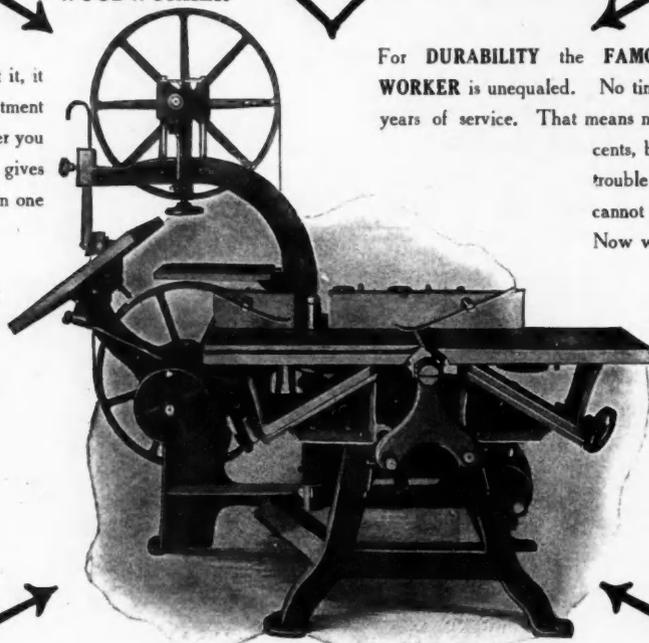
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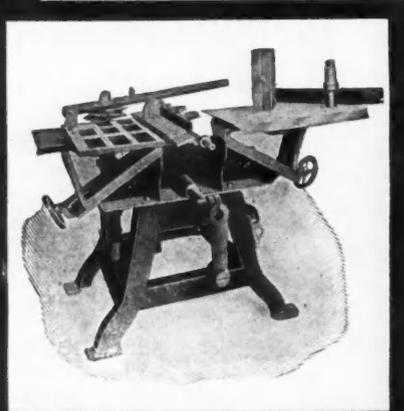
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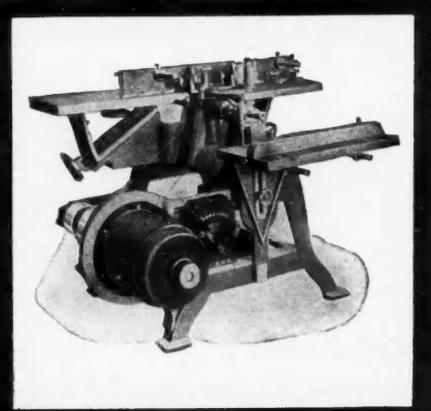


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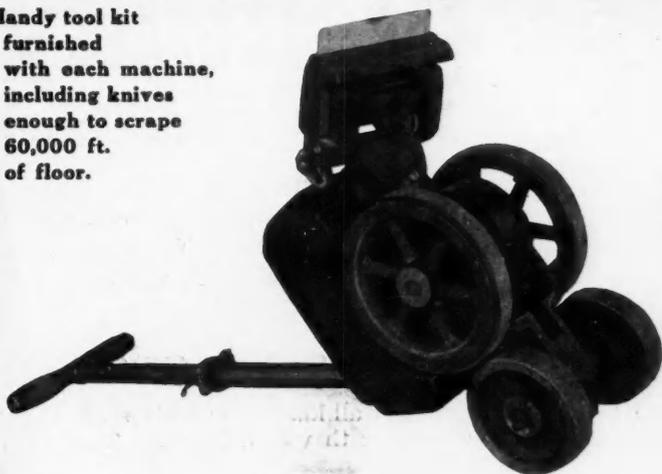


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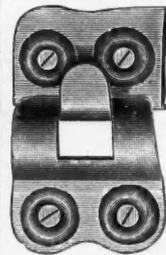
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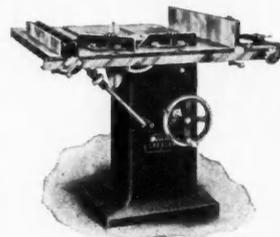
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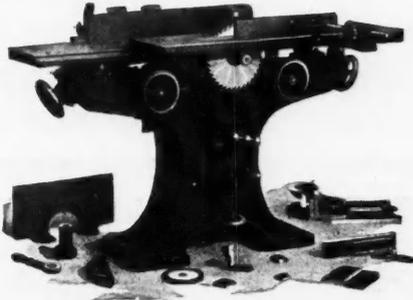
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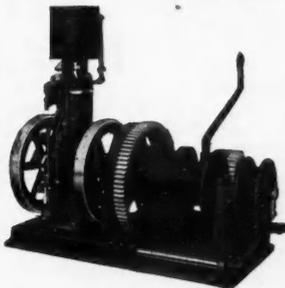
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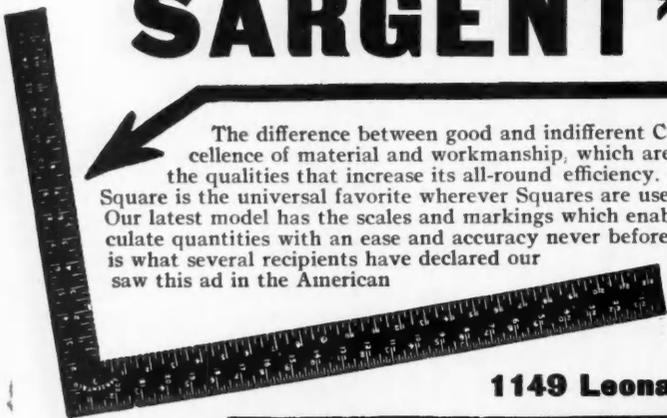
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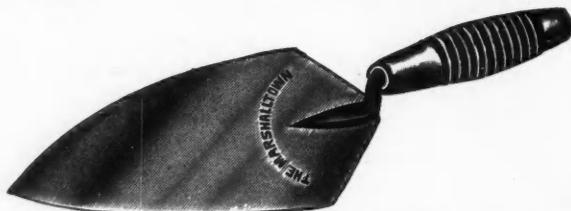


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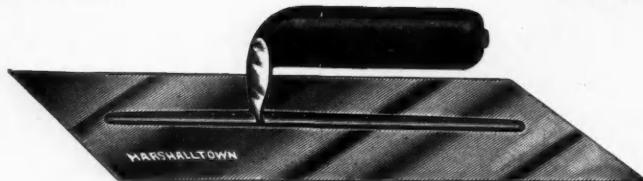


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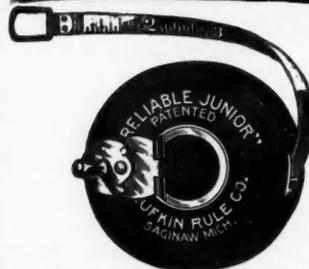
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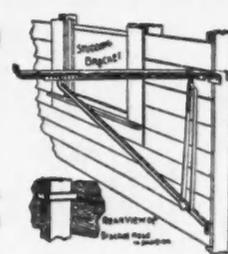
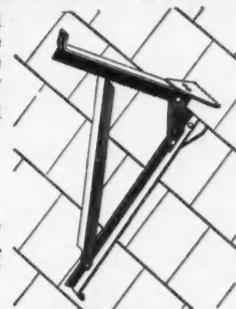
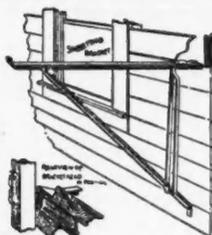
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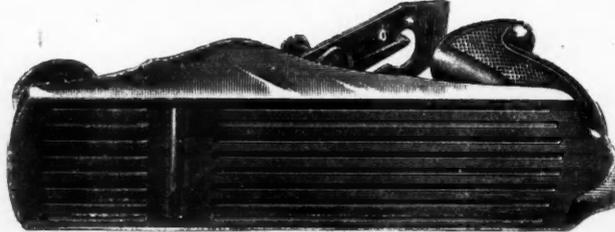


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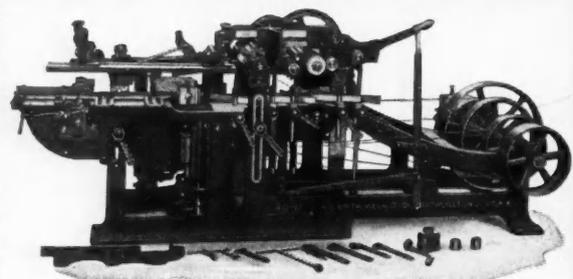
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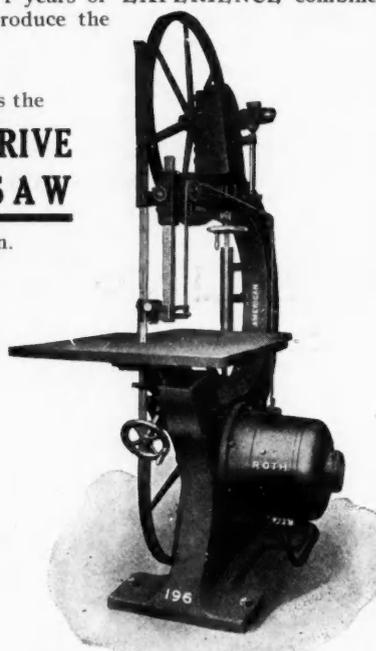
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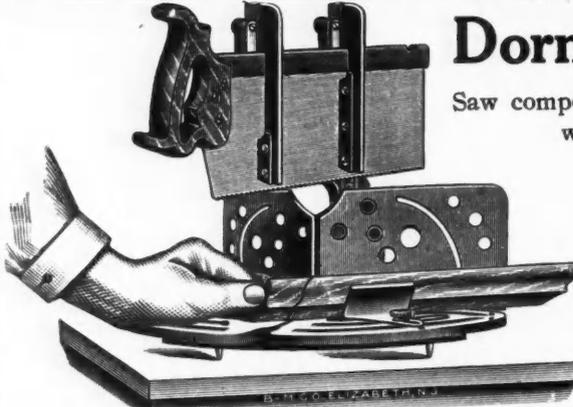


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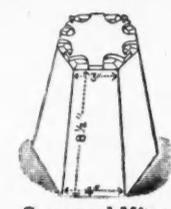
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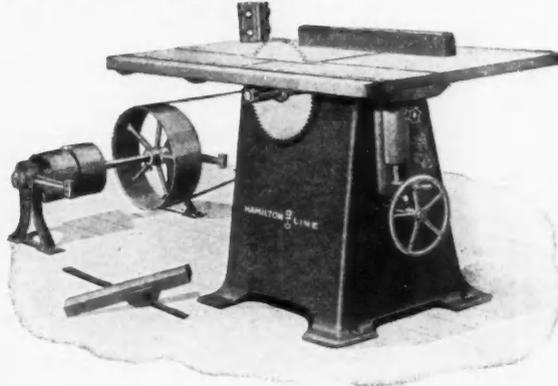
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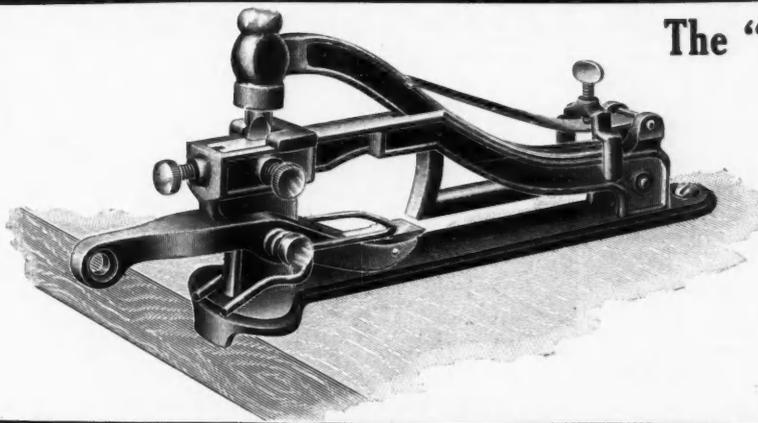


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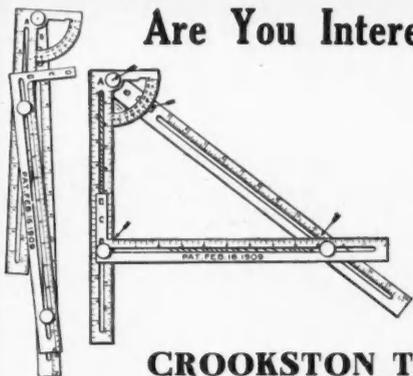
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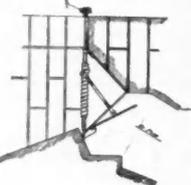
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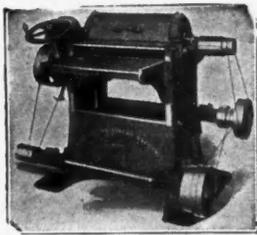


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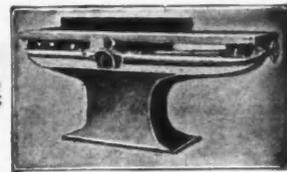
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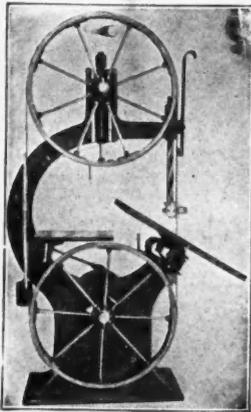
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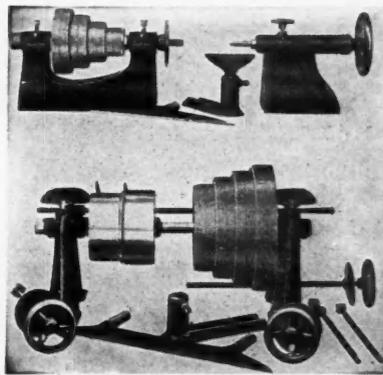
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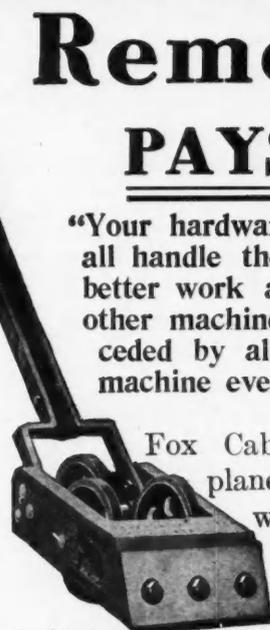
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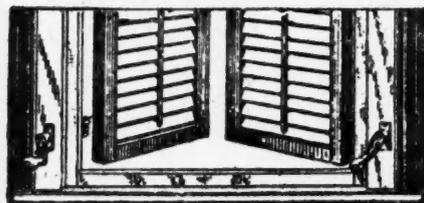
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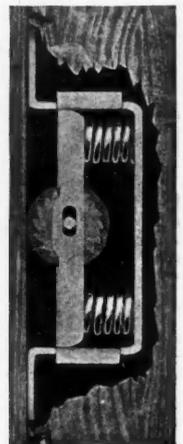
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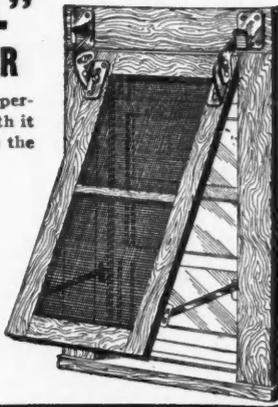


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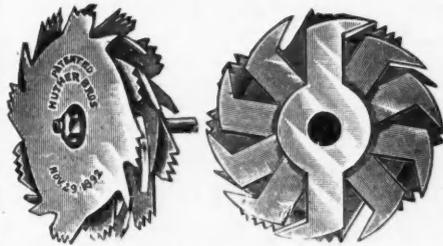
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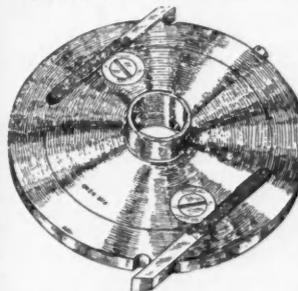
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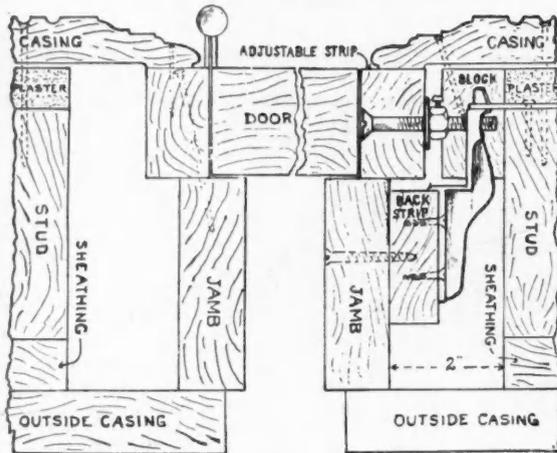
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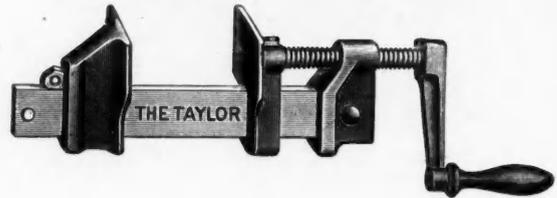
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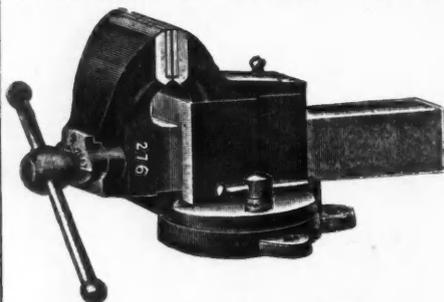
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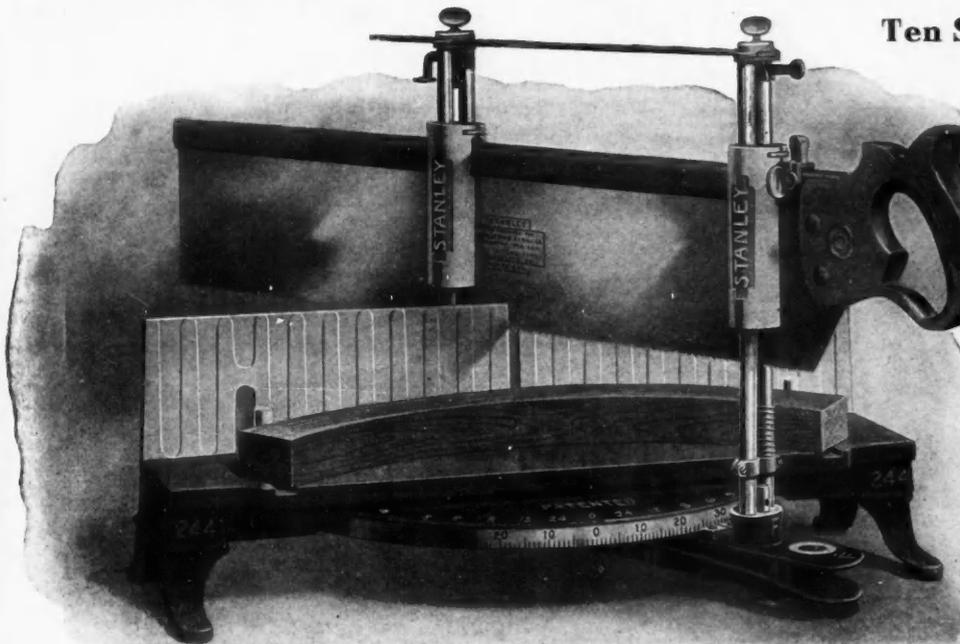
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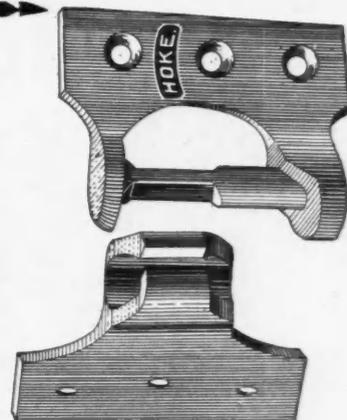
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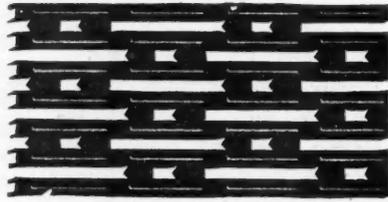
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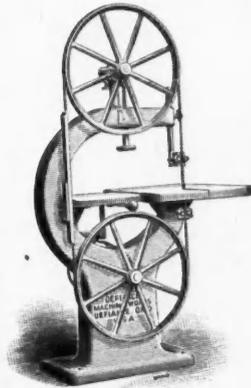
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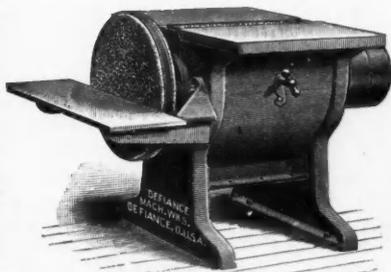
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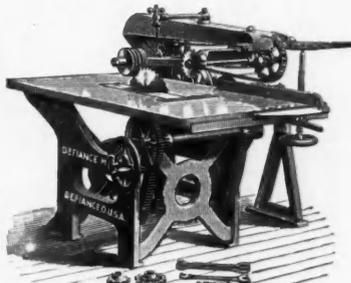
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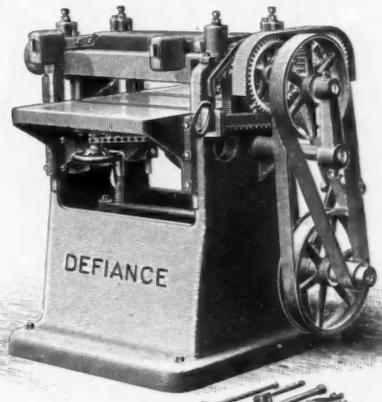
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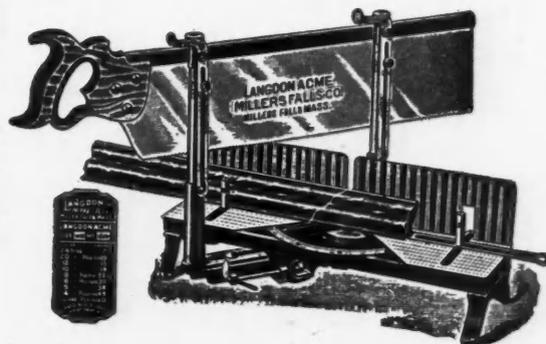
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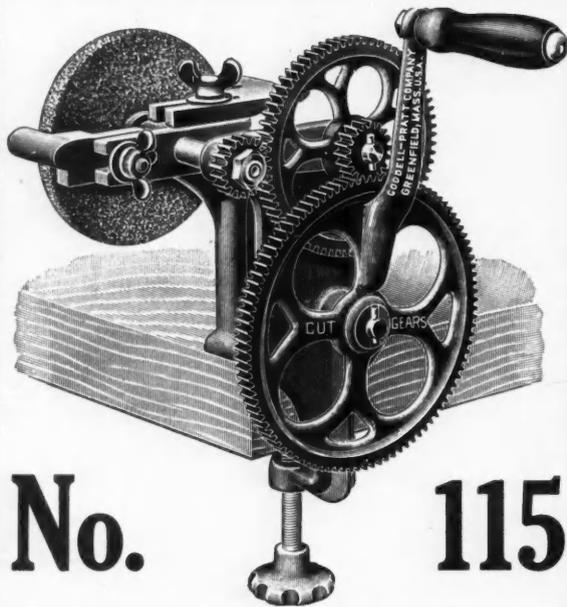
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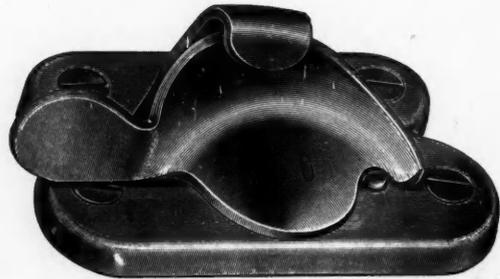
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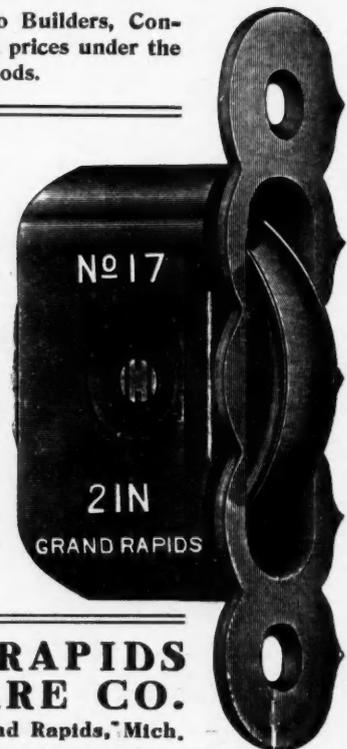
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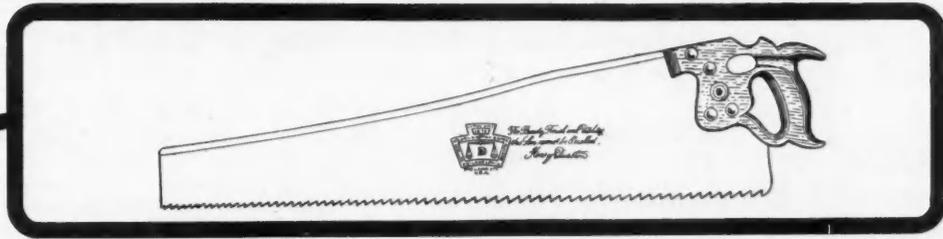
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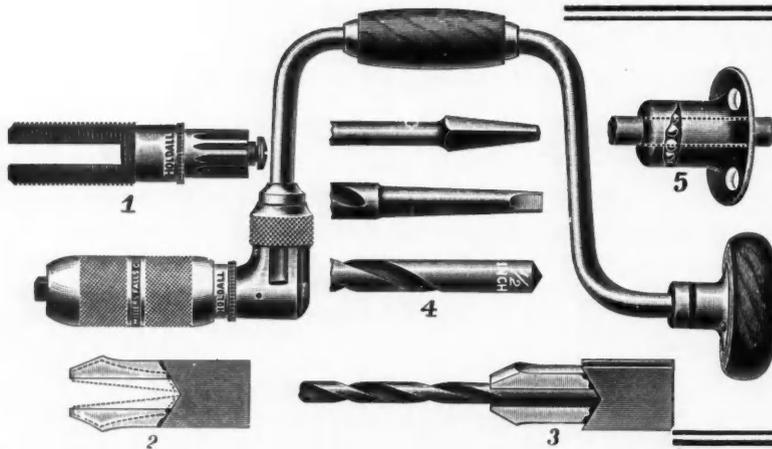
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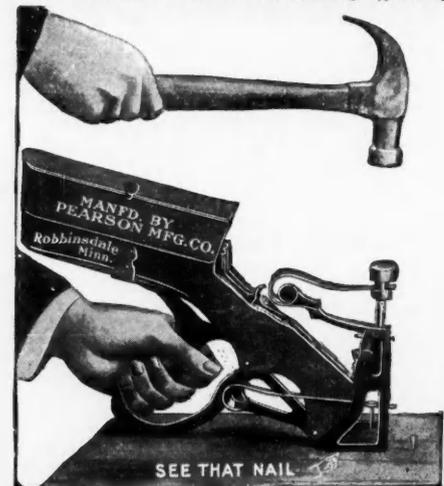
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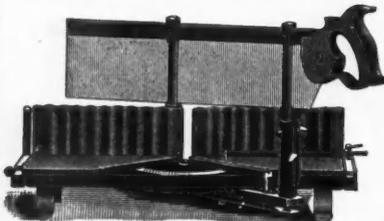
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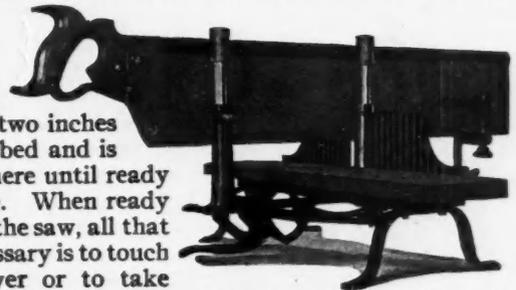
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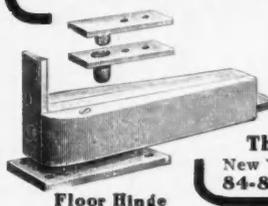
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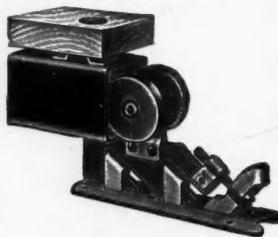
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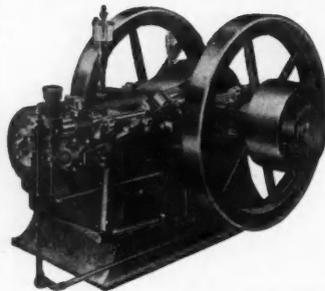
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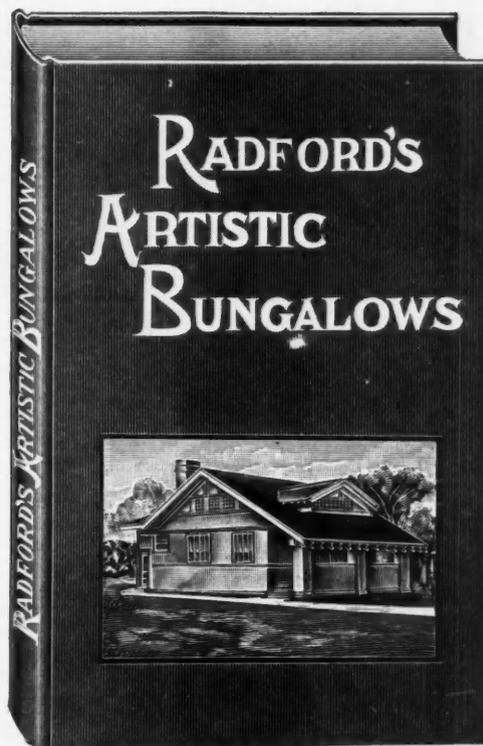
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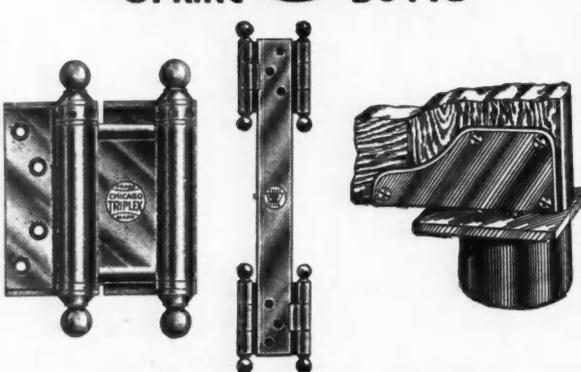
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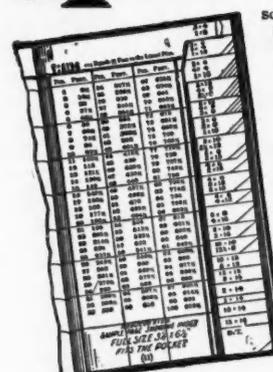
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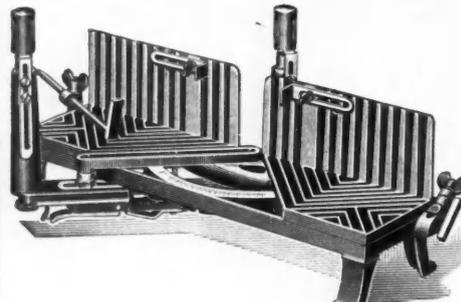


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**I**F YOUR competitor talks about you put him on your pay roll. Never mind what he says, so long as he TALKS.

**Encourage Better Home Building**

**I**N CONNECTION with home building there is a way in which carpenters and builders can render lasting service to the community in which they live and, at the same time, do themselves a good turn. This is in the proper use at all times of their influence and advice.

Encourage *better* building.

Every man is at heart a home-builder. This may not be apparent in all cases; but sooner or later the "home hunger" comes and with it a growing discontent of forever paying rent and forever drifting from one living place to another.

Now the average man knows very little definitely about building, either in regard to construction, finish or equipment. His notions concerning the reasonable cost of building are extremely hazy. So when the home-building fever strikes he is sorely in need of professional advice.

The local carpenter and builder is the logical one to go to then. He is or should be—the expert on all matters pertaining to home building; and his advice, based on knowledge and experience, is certain to have weight.

To the question, "What is good advice?" there can be but one answer. Encourage *better* building. Most men build but once; make it plain that a good, substantial, *permanent* structure is the only economical one. Home building surely justifies running in debt if that is necessary to construct and finish the house in a substantial, satisfactory way. The slight extra investment required being the difference in cost between the house that is "skimped" and the same house properly built, is the biggest paying investment a man can ever make. It represents the difference between the house that will be a ramshackle inside a dozen years and an eyesore to the neighborhood and the well-built home, always snug and comfortable and with each succeeding year gathering around itself new charms.

And not only should good advice recommend substantial construction, but also the incorporation into the building scheme of all the modern conveniences. These conveniences of heating, plumbing, water supply, etc., cause an ever-growing satisfaction in the new home that is present long after the added cost has been forgotten.

The carpenter and builder should keep posted on all these matters and should welcome every chance to use his knowledge and influence. It will result in increased business for the builders and, for the owners, increased satisfaction.

### Architect Must Be a Good Guesser

IT IS positively appalling to consider the weight of responsibility put upon the architect by the public in the matter of guessing. A client comes to an architect with the request to design for him a house that shall contain so many rooms, of such and such sizes, and with an equipment and finish that shall be thus and so. In the course of time the design reaches its preliminary stage of completion, where all requirements have been met, the plan is satisfactory, and the details of heating, plumbing, lighting and finish are roughly determined. Then comes the demand upon the architect's guessing power; the owner wants to know just how much it all will cost. In a case at hand the architect had applied the usual rules of thumb, estimating the building's cubical contents, multiplied it by a cost price per cubic foot obtained in previous experience with the same kind of work, and registered his "guess" as \$12,000. The work went ahead; the working drawings, scale details and specifications were made and put out for bids. And here comes the real point: With all the data before them, with rigid specifications and full details, the eight contractors submitted bids ranging from about \$11,000 to \$16,000. There is no moral; the point we want to make is that accurate guessing is an attribute of the practising architect that is occasionally overlooked. Among the almost innumerable branches of knowledge in which he is called upon to be fully equipped, from the theory of acoustics to the extermination of red ants, dependable guesswork occupies an important place.

### More Pay

WE ARE all down on the time book for \$8.00 per day, but one reason why some receive less in their pay envelopes is because the cash is held back to pay someone else for looking after them, laying out the work, and holding them to their tasks. I know lots of men who pay \$7.00 per day for supervision. The less supervision the more pay; the more supervision the less pay.—*Fra Elbertus.*

### The Useful Public Library

WORKMEN all over the country are beginning to realize more and more the value of public libraries in their daily work. Many of the large libraries have special departments in which books on practical trades and industries are kept for reference and borrowing use. In New York, Newark, Providence, Washington, Brooklyn, Cleveland and Dayton, special departments are in operation where hundreds of workmen go regularly to study on their trade. These offer practical attractions for ambitious men. Many persons who have not had a thorough education and cannot spare the time for a night school course, and who are unable even to give the time and money for a correspondence school course and the books which the course requires, are here provided with pleasant

rooms where other men are reading and studying, and where books and magazines are all around them. An ambitious man may go to one of these libraries, or indeed to most any library, and carry on a course of practical study beginning with elementary books and extending on through practical and advanced works. The number of men who borrow books from public libraries is steadily increasing and those who have hitherto avoided the library as a place of fiction readers are now being attracted to it in great numbers.

### Wood Waste Decreasing

THE waste wood heap continues to diminish and pass away.

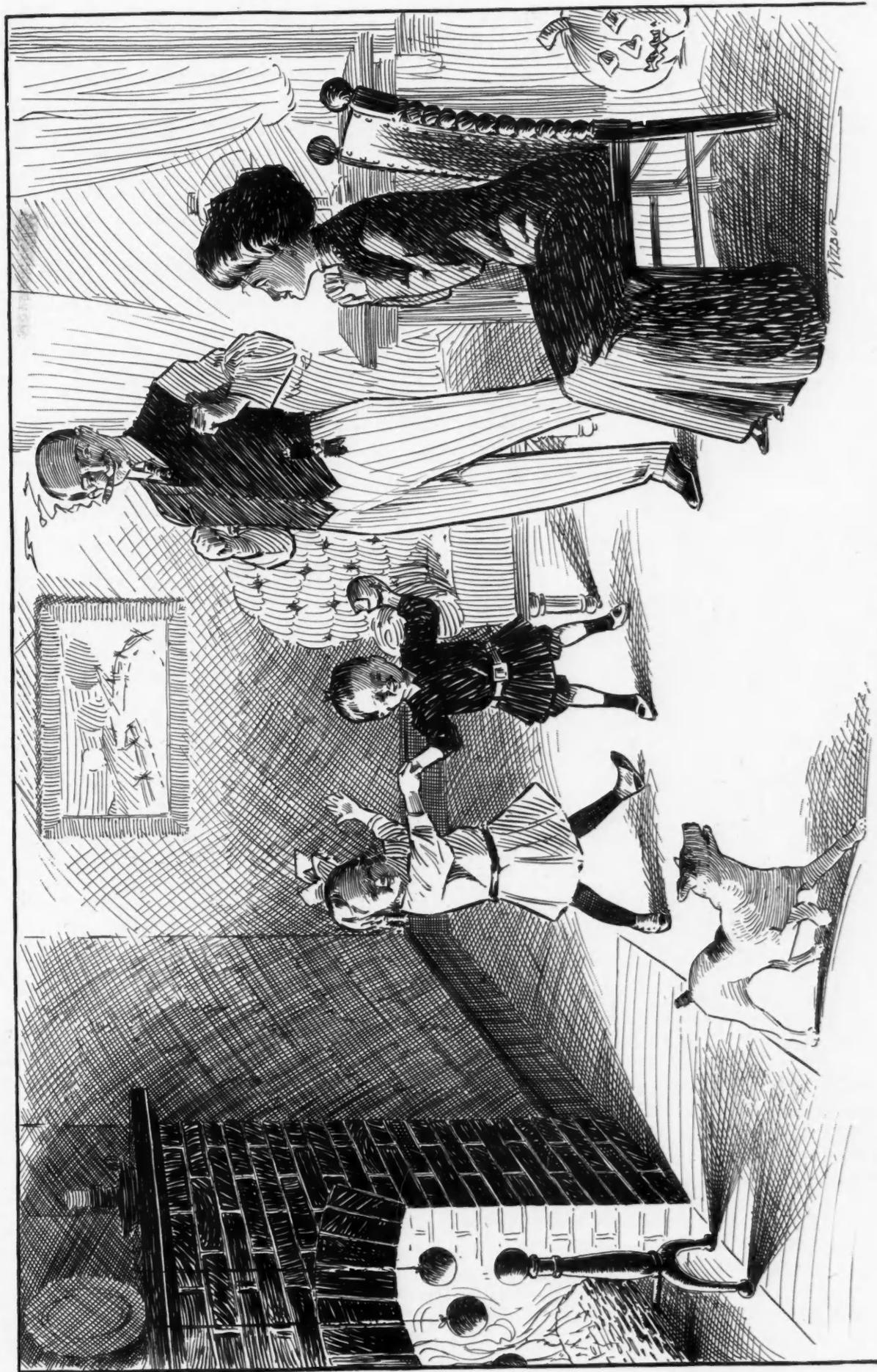
A Massachusetts manufacturer of brushes recently made a discovery in Maine which supplied him with material exactly suited to his purpose. He went to the Pine Tree State to buy wood for the backs of his brushes and the handles of shaving brushes, and chanced to visit the yards of a spool maker who was using white birch. The spool man took the white part of the wood only and was throwing away the red hearts. Thousands of cords had been burned or dumped in the lake to be rid of it.

The red hearts were exactly what the brush maker wanted, and at little more than the expense of freight he supplied his factory.

This is typical of the trend of manufacturing. Waste of wood is still great, but it is decreasing. What one factory can not use, another turns to profit. Formerly mills threw away half the forest-tops left in the woods, sawdust dumped in streams to pollute them and destroy fish, slabs burned in perpetual bonfires, and defective logs and low-grade lumber abandoned as not worth moving.

This policy does not generally prevail now. Some mills have put in machinery to work up their own by-products, others sell their waste to manufacturers who can use it, as in the case cited in Maine. The properties and uses of woods are now subjects of careful investigation, and the problem of turning to account the odds and ends and the by-products is brought more to the front now than formerly.

The United States Forest Service has taken up this study in a comprehensive and systematic way. Investigation of the woods of particular states are being conducted, usually in co-operation with the states concerned. The plan, when fully carried out, will include every commercial wood in the United States, not fewer than 200 species. The properties of each will be investigated, such as its hardness, toughness, elasticity, durability, weight, fuel value, size of tree, regions where grown, the common name by which it is known in different localities, and other matters of this kind. A history of the wood's uses in the past will be given, and an account of present uses, together with suggestions for a wider range of usefulness in the future by pointing out in what capacities it will serve best and be the most valuable.



Well, Here We Are in Our New Home!

# TYPICAL AMERICAN HOMES



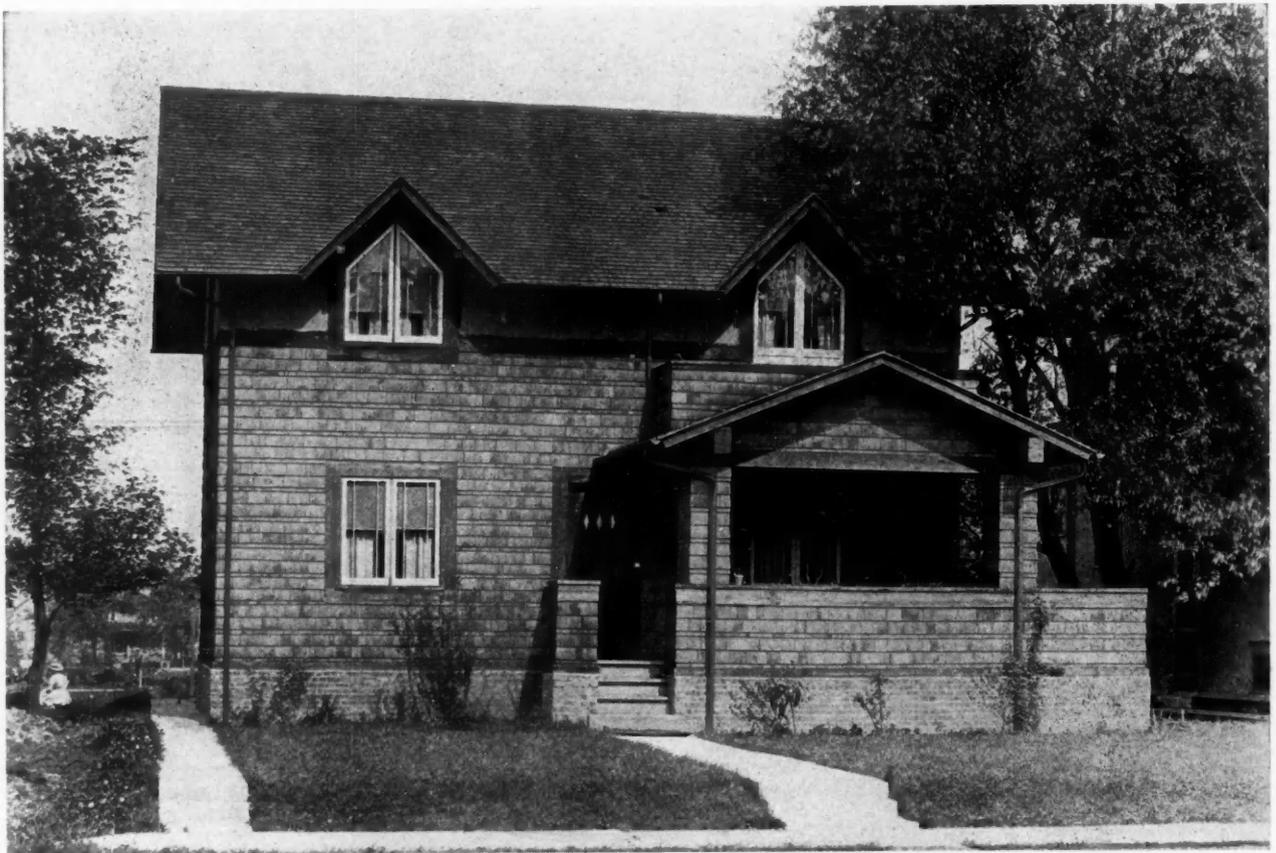
**W**E HAVE been of the opinion now for some time that home-building architecture—the planning and design of our typical American homes—has experienced, generally, a decided change for the better during recent years.

In traveling through the different parts of the country, taking note of things structural, it has seemed that there is less than formerly of the bleak, box-like sort of temporary looking houses that once were so

based on observation and on the published reports of the season's building activity.

So for this "Home Builders" number, it has been a pleasure, in looking over the photos and the plans sent in to us by our readers, the building contractors, and by our architectural friends, to find that their work this year has also been of this improved type.

We take pleasure in presenting some of these designs for your consideration. They are not the most expensive ones we could have chosen, nor are they



Quaint "Arts and Crafts" Home. Costing Complete \$3,978. Residence of E. M. Davis, Oak Park, Ill.

common. Perhaps they have, most of them, tumbled down, or have been pulled down to make place for worthier dwellings. At any rate the general impression now is not of them. The typical American home has come now to be a well-planned, well-designed structure, snug and substantially built.

We were—to repeat—of this impression generally,

all the most *unique* designs. But they were picked out as being fairly representative of the work being done this year by the readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER; moreover, we have the testimony of their owners that each of these designs has proved a practical and satisfactory home.

This last feature is important for it is to be frankly



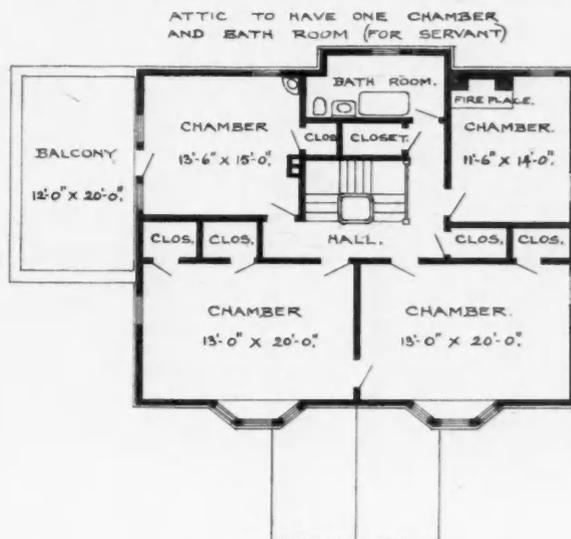
House at Wilmette, Ill., Costing \$8,000. Interior Finish, White Enamel and Birch Stained Mahogany; Oak Floors; Tile Bathroom. Edgar O. Blake, Evanston, Ill., Architect

admitted that not every design which looks fine and attractive, and desirable—on paper, in the plans—turns out to be a thoroughly practicable and livable house when it is built! The skilled architects are usually well aware of this and are able to provide against it. But it is a matter that needs to be care-

ful and a matter that needs to be careful. A prospective home-builder can get a very definite and clear idea from the photographs just what the different styles are, and how they might be adapted to his particular building site. The floor plans show the size and arrangement of all the rooms; and these arrangements have been tested for their practicability and



First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan

fully watched, especially by inexperienced designers.

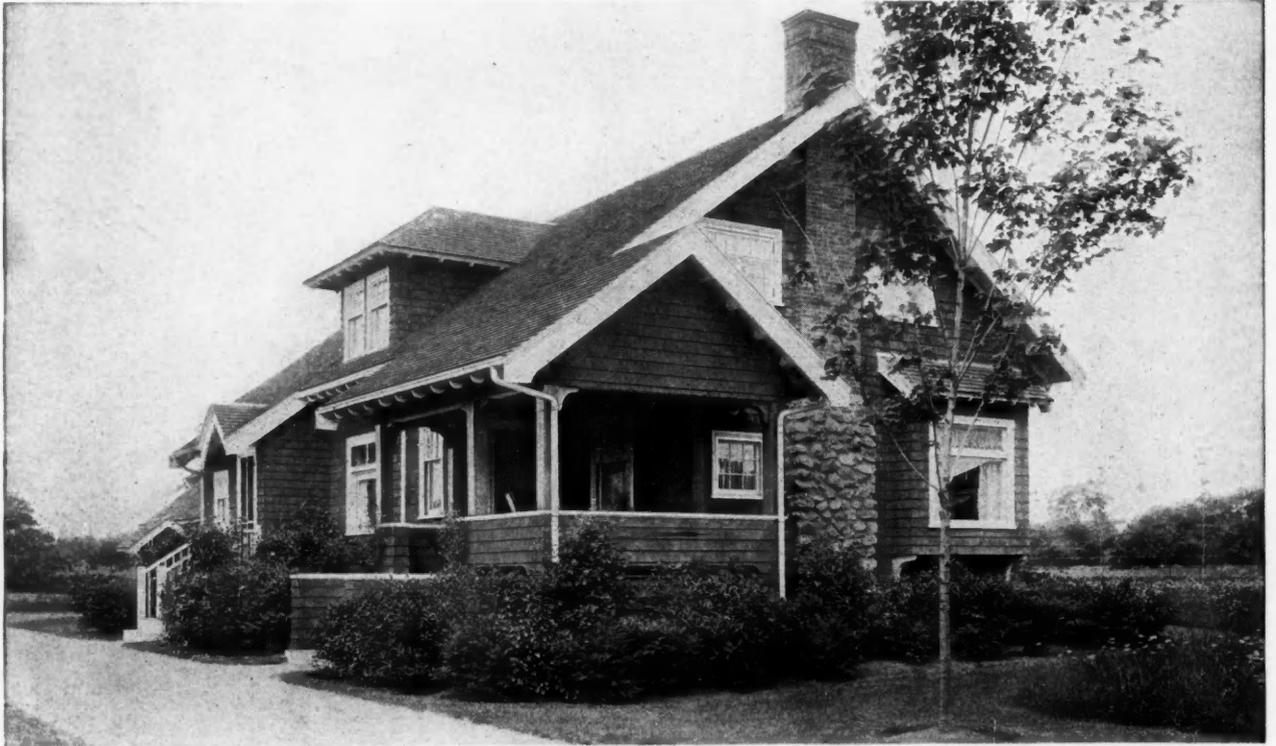
Now with houses that are already built, any uncertainty or doubt of this kind is removed. This is the chief value of a collection such as this; the pros-

and convenience and have not been found wanting.

With most of these designs we have been able to give the actual cost to build. In the majority of cases this cost has been for the residence completely finished and equipped with all modern conveniences, such as basement heating plant, combination light fixtures, high grade plumbing, etc. It is evident that

the people, generally, have come to the conclusion that it pays to build and to build well. When a man is making an investment in a home—and where is there a better investment he can make—his desire urges him to have in it everything that will add to its comfort

our showing all the houses sent us. To have done so it would have been necessary to reduce all the pictures to such a small size as to make them of little value. Accordingly it was thought best to make a selection of the most successful and representative designs and



Charming Home of J. H. Pope at Hamilton, Mass. Cost \$4,000. W. H. Hunt and Co., Boston, Architects

and convenience. This is well, for it makes the new home permanently satisfactory; and the added expense is seldom very great.

Home-builders will do well to remember this, both those who build and those who are built for. Very

show them in large size, with the floor plans attached.

Others will be published in next month's magazine.

#### The Designs in Detail

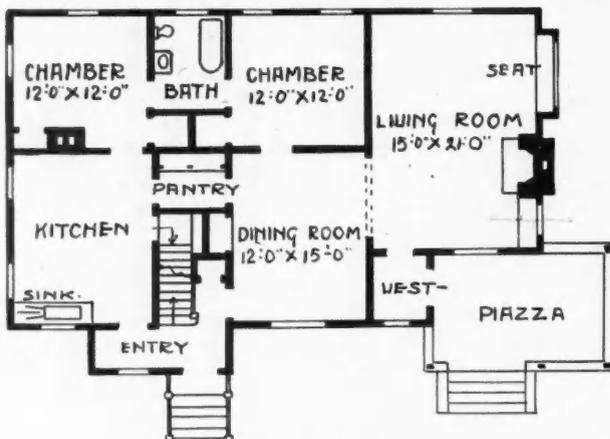
Now, taking up the different designs in detail, there are special features connected with each that are deserving of attention and study.

The first house, page 32, is a 7-room house of very quaint and artistic appearance. It is presented here mainly to show the unusual shingle siding effect. There are two courses of shingles, 4 inches to the weather, and then one course, 1 inch to the weather. These alternate in this way from the brick foundation up to the second story windows, where a cement plaster finish begins.

A delightful home done in cement plaster is shown on page 33. The floor plan is especially good. It is of the "central hall" type with extra large living-room. There are four bedrooms. The dining porch with its second story balcony is a special feature.

#### Bungalow with Interior Views

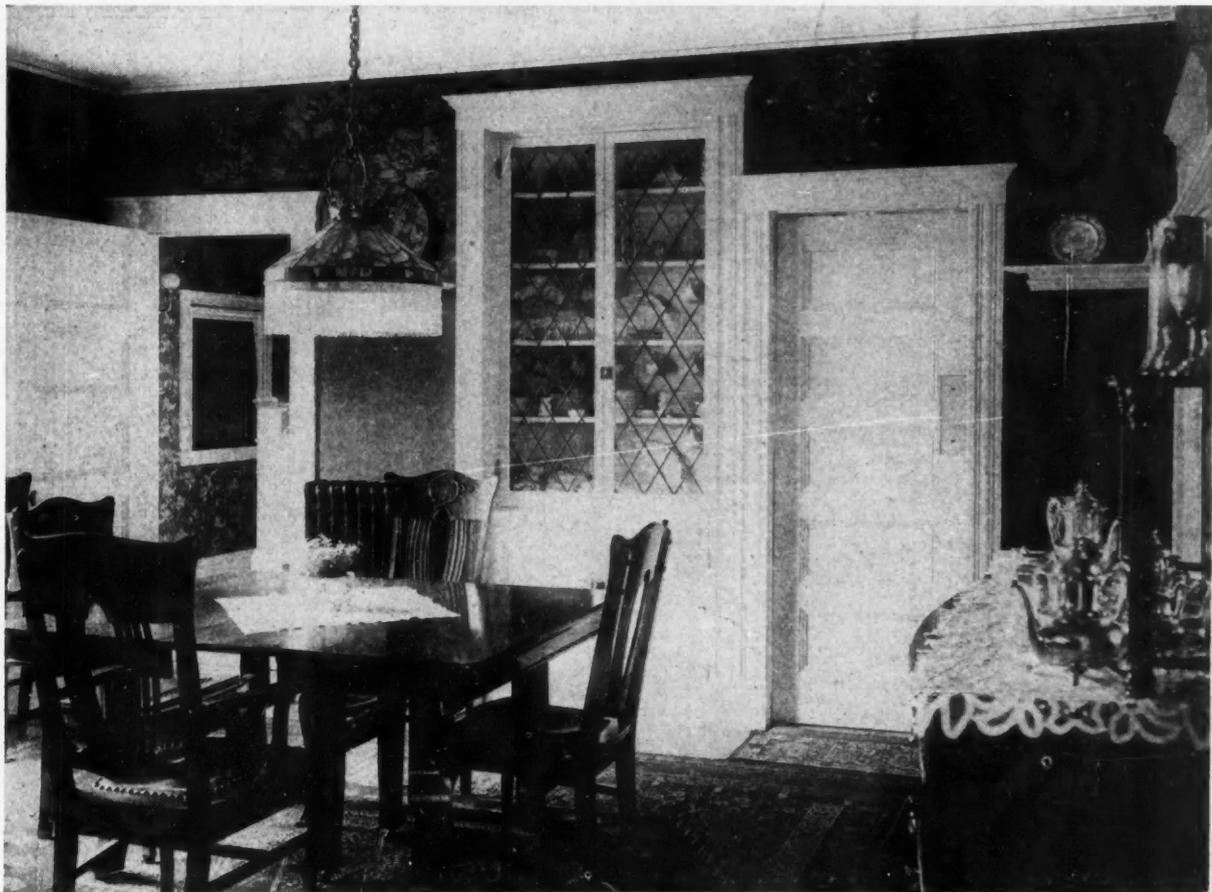
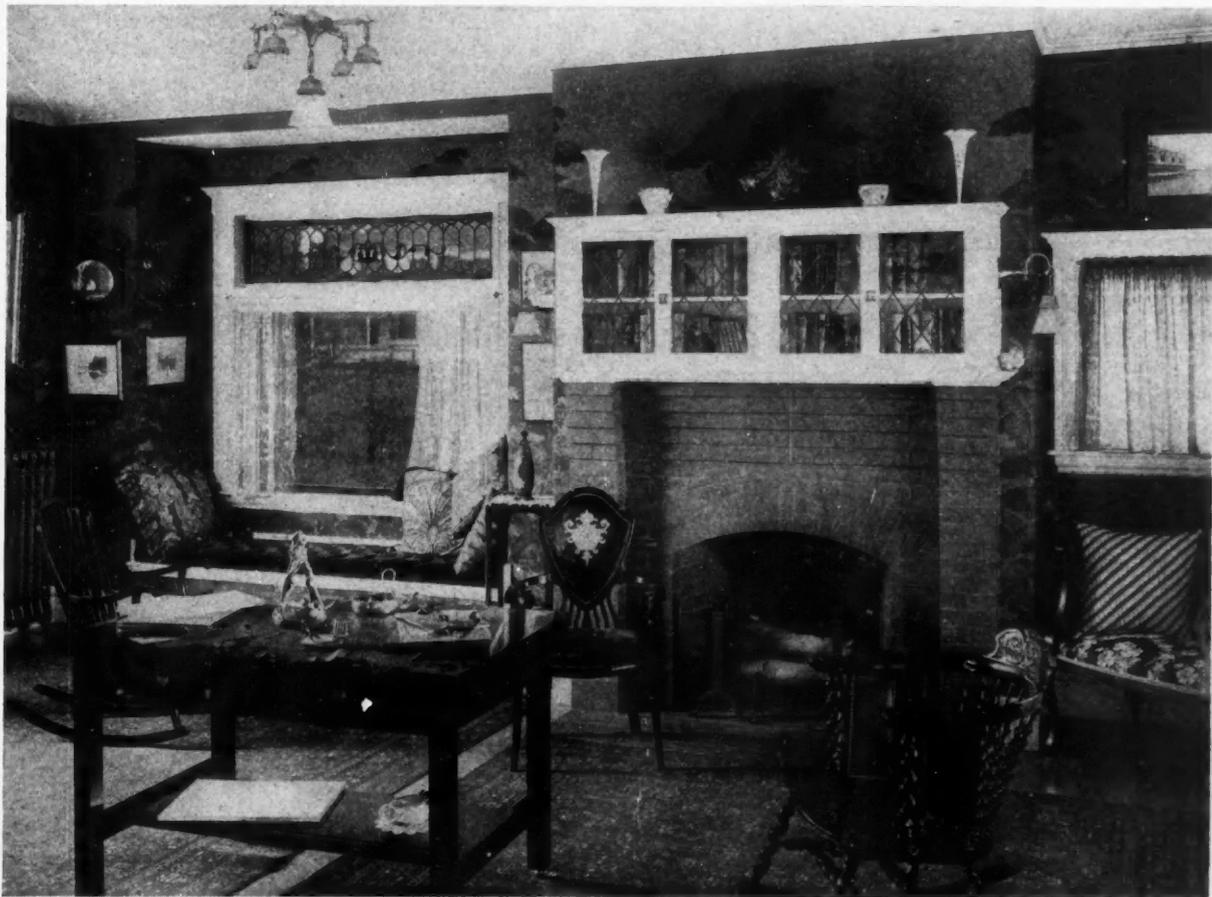
The attractive shingled exterior and the convenient floor plan of Mr. J. H. Pope's bungalow home at Hamilton, Mass., shown on page 34, are worthy of study; but we would call particular attention to the superb interior views shown opposite. The mantle and book-case arrangement is especially neat, and harmonizes



Main Floor Plan

often a little persuasion on the one hand and a little forethought and daring on the other will cause the new house to be equipped with all modern conveniences, to the permanent satisfaction of the owner.

Our only regret in connection with this "Home Builder's" number is that lack of space has prevented



The Living and Dining Rooms, J. H. Pope's House at Hamilton, Mass.



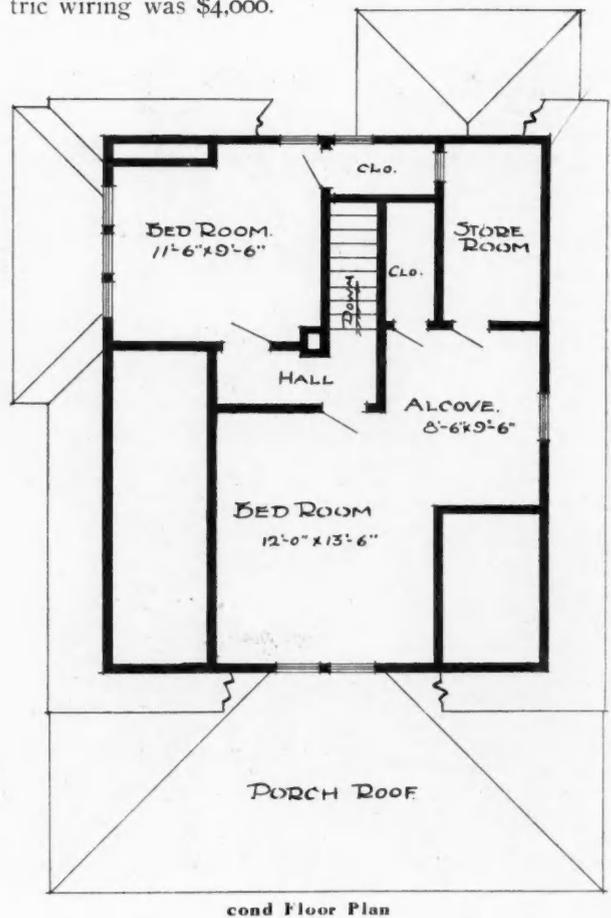
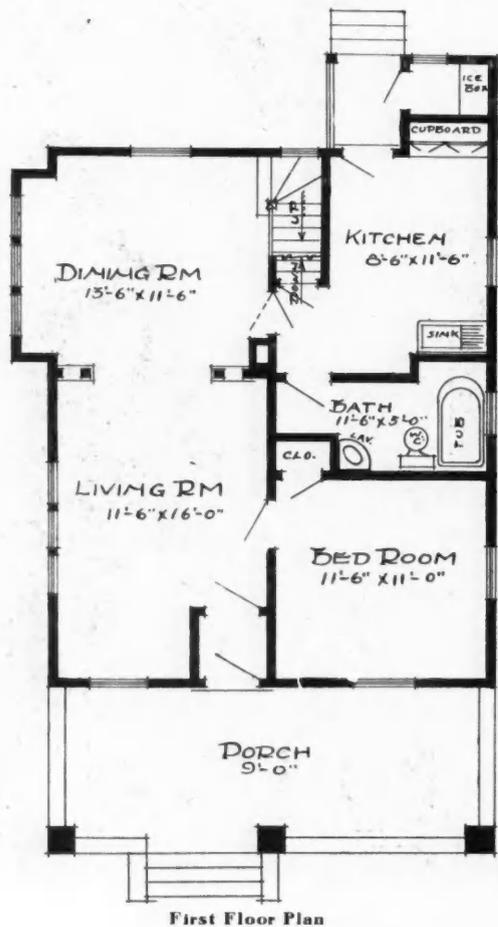
Artistic Bungalow Built for Chas. H. Poore, at Omaha, Neb. Cost, \$2,800

well with the cozy window and seat arrangement. The wall paper is a pretty tropical design, in tones of green and yellow. The interior trim is soft wood with a white enamel finish.

This house was built on a foundation of rough field stone, picked up on the premises. A great out-

side chimney built partly of field stone and partly of brick is a feature. The exterior finish is of shingles, stained a reddish brown, with trim painted white.

The roof shingles are left untinted. The cost of this house using only the best of materials and construction and including steam heating plant and electric wiring was \$4,000.



Another bungalow, this one of the popular western style, is shown on page 36. The total cost with yellow pine trim and oak floors was \$2,800, constructed in Omaha, Neb.

**Gambrel Roof House**

The attractive little home shown on page 39 is one of thirty-five well built residences put up this season by Martin P. Huyck, to be sold to the workmen in the locomotive shops at Battle Creek, Mich. The construction work was done by the Brownell Park Construction Company. This 7-room house cost \$2,400.

One of the most practical and attractive of the homes in this collection is that shown on page 38.

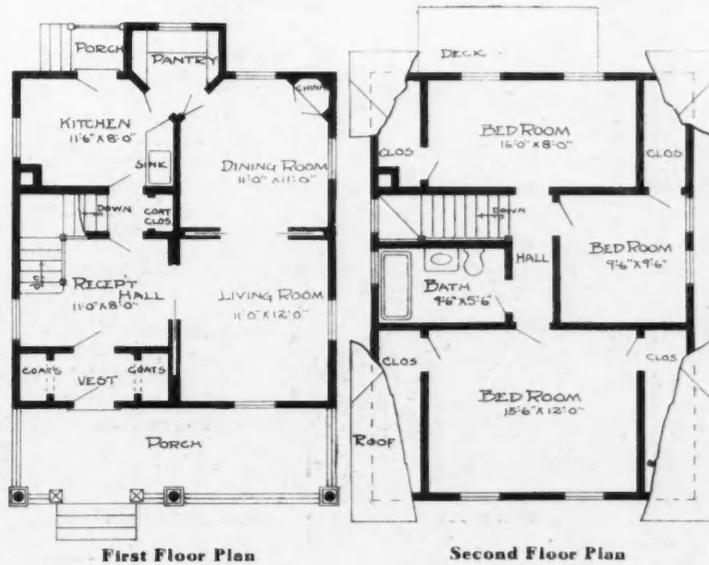
The interior of this house is finished as follows: The reception hall, living-room and dining-room are finished in quarter-sawed oak stained with old English oak stain and varnished with the last coat rubbed to a dull finish. The floors in the above rooms are laid with 3/8 by 2 1/4 inch quarter-sawed white oak flooring

finished in wax. The second story rooms are finished in Georgia pine, stained mahogany in the two front chambers, forest green in the left hand rear chamber and golden oak in the right hand rear chamber.

The woodwork in the bathroom is finished in white enamel. The floor in the bathroom is laid with vitrified tile. Floors in chambers, etc., are laid with quarter-sawed Georgia pine flooring. The kitchen and pantry are finished in Georgia pine filled and varnished in the natural color of the wood. The walls and ceilings of the

rooms are plastered with Imperial patent mortar with the last coat in sand finish for tinting. The house is heated with a hot-water system composed of cast-iron boiler and a cast-iron radiation. Has a complete system of plumbing, including high-grade white enamel fixtures. The rooms throughout are lighted with combination gas and electric fixtures.

The relative costs of the various items were as follows, constructed at Kewanee, Ill.:



Satisfactory House Built for Martin P. Huyck at Battle Creek, Mich., by the Brownell Park Construction Co. Cost \$2,400



Residence of H. R. Walton, Kewanee, Ill. Finished in Quarter Sawed Oak with Georgia Pine up Stairs; Combination Fixtures; Hot Water Heat; Cost Complete, \$4,400. Henry Eckland, Architect

Brick work .....	\$ 700.00
Plastering .....	270.00
Carpentry .....	2,265.00
Painting .....	250.00
Hardware .....	175.00
Heating .....	350.00
Plumbing .....	295.00
Lighting .....	95.00

\$4,400.00



FIRST FLOOR PLAN



SECOND FLOOR PLAN

On page 39 is given photograph and floor plan of a very satisfactory bungalow design. It contains six rooms, bath and dining porch. It has been erected at Glencoe, Ill., at a total cost of \$4,000. Edgar O. Blake, of Evanston, Ill., was the architect.

**Sea-Shore Cottage with Interiors**

A seaside home in the typical eastern style is shown on pages 40 and 41. The interiors present a delightful picture of comfort and homelike cosiness. The finish is a

very successful modern adaption of the Colonial.

The photograph and floor plans of a very cosy and comfortable Oregon house are shown on page 42; on the next page are two views of the interior. In the large picture to the right are to be seen Mr. and Mrs. F. C. House, the owners, and to the left stand C. H. Beltz, the building contractor, and his wife.

This house is all finished with select Douglas fir, scraped and sanded, then stained in Mission and wiped with felt to bring out the grain. This makes an elegant finish. The total cost of this house was about \$2,500 at the prices of lumber and labor given below:

Al kinds of dimension at average, per M.....	\$15.00
Flooring, per M.....	37.00
Siding, per M.....	20.00
Shingles, per M.....	2.50
Lath and plastering, per yard.....	.32
Brick, per M.....	11.00
Cement, per barrel.....	4.00
Labor—painters and carpenters, for 9 hours....	3.50
Electric wiring cost.....	25.00
Brickmasons, per 8 hours.....	6.00
Hardware cost.....	98.00

**Cottage Design**

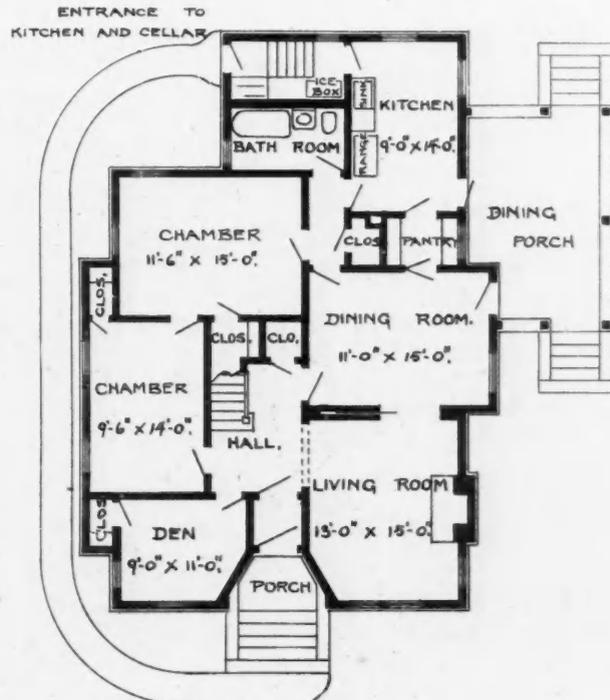
On page 43 a very pleasing little 6-room cottage is shown in photo and floor plan. This is the residence of Wm. Wolf, railway engineer, at Flora, Ill. It was designed and built by Frank S. Nichols, Flora, Ill. The cost complete was \$2,000.

A very substantially built little house is shown on page 44. This is one of those very practical designs that are always so popular. It was designed and built

by Thos. H. Hulbert in Oak Park, Ill., at a cost of \$2,825.

**An English Design**

A perspective drawing with floor plans of an artistic



MAIN FLOOR PLAN  
BUNGALOW AT GLENCOE, ILL.



Six-Room Bungalow at Glencoe, Ill. Finished in Yellow Pine, Mission Stained; Hot Air Furnace; Cost Complete, \$4,000  
Edgar O. Blake, Evanston, Ill., Architect

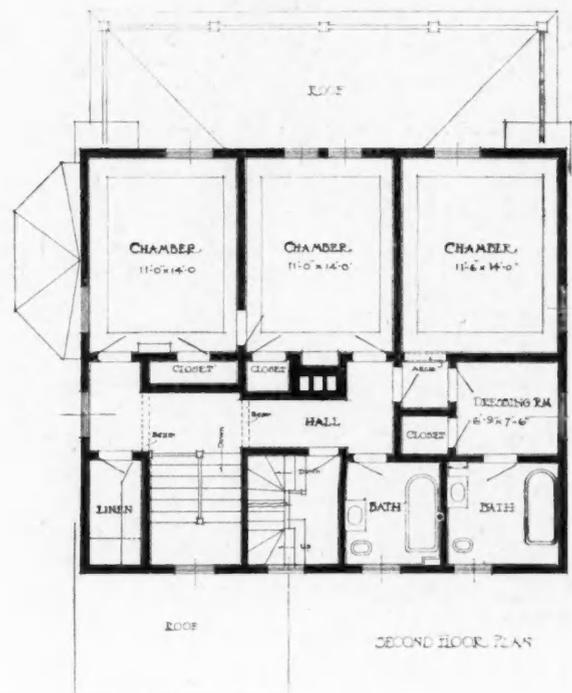


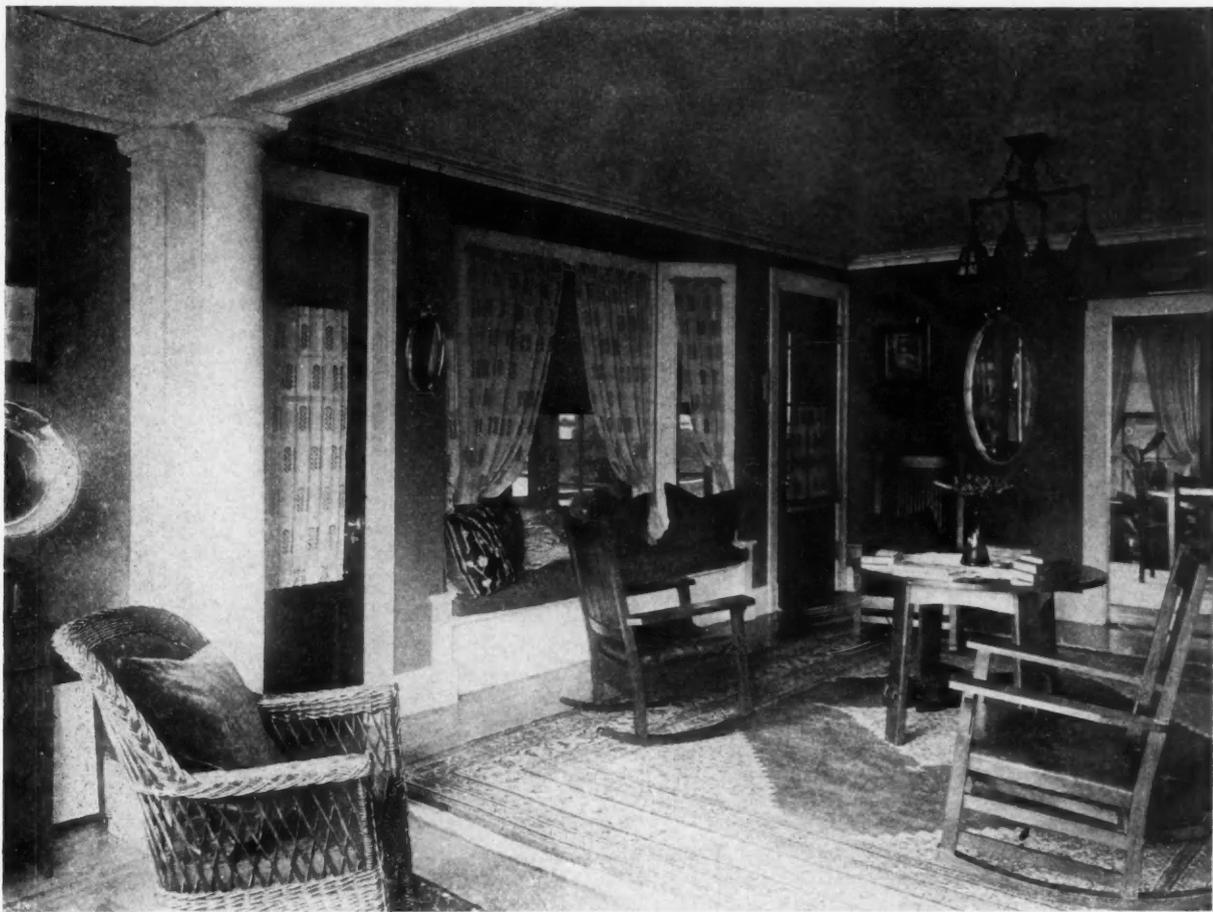
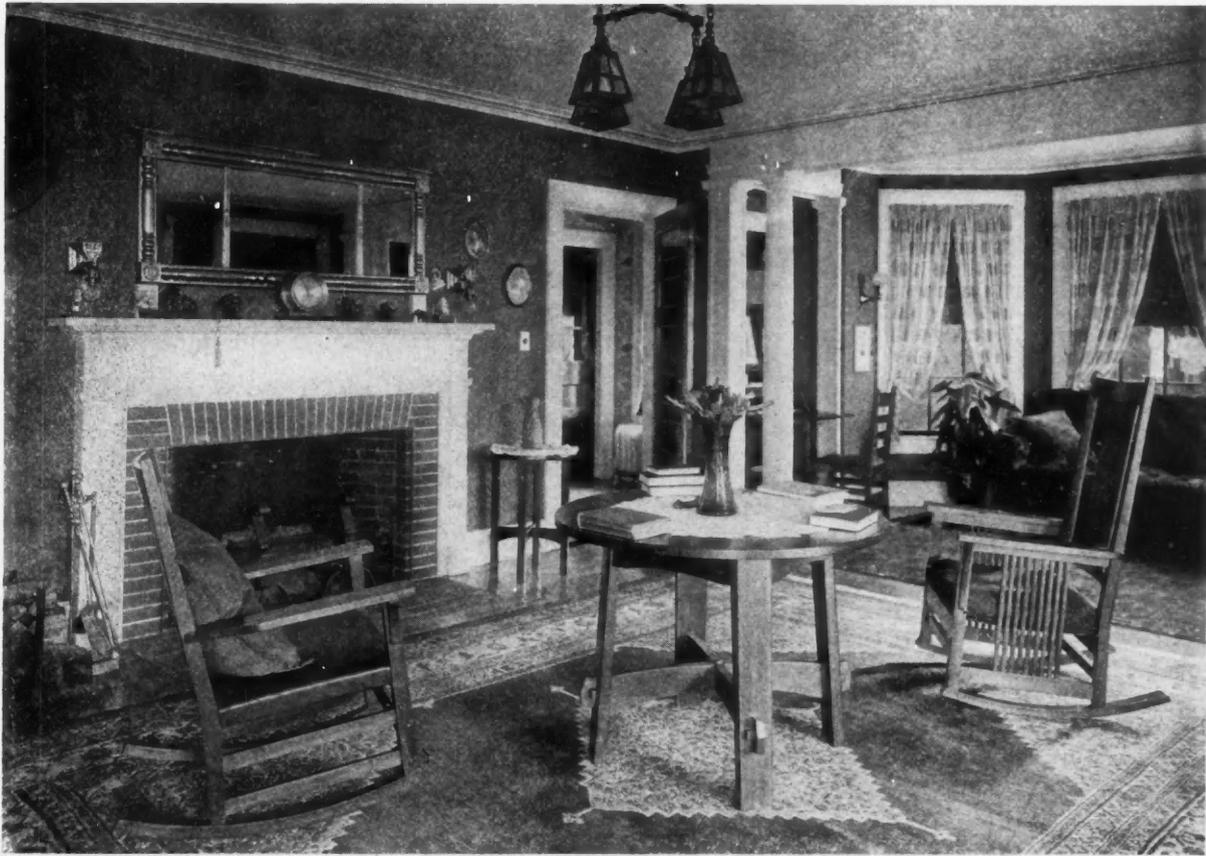
The Sea Side Home of J. D. Crosby at Marblehead Mass. Cost, Including Steam Heating Plant, \$6,000. Peare & Quiner, Architects

masonry house of a popular English design is shown on page 45. This design was made by George Jackson, architect, New Haven, Conn., and we are informed that these plans are now being carried out in

a very successful way in a residence under construction in that place. The total expense is stated as \$4,500.

The commodious seven-room house, photograph and





Two Views of the Living Room—J. D. Crosby's House at Marblehead



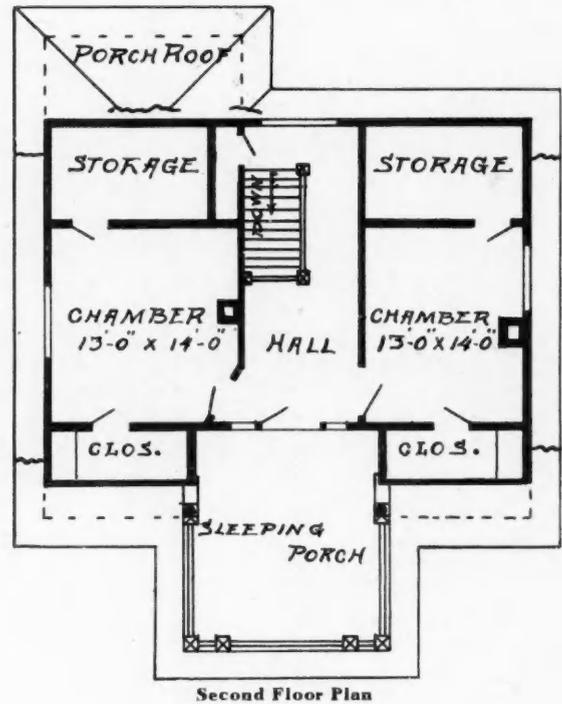
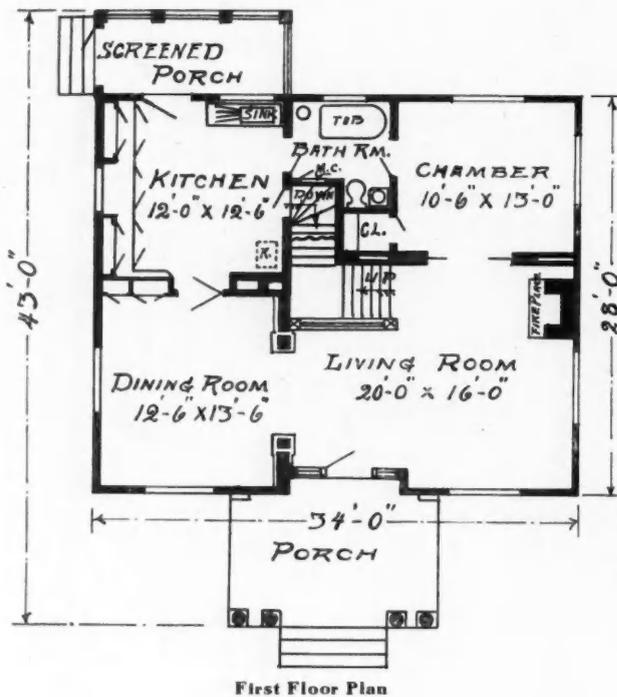
**Cosy Home at Hood River, Oregon. Designed and Built by C. H. Beltz for Mr. F. C. House at a Cost of \$2,500**

floor plans of which are shown on page 46, was designed by Henry Worthmann, architect, for his own home in Oak Park, Ill. Every convenience is embodied in this attractive design. The cost complete was \$7,500.

floor plans attached. They contain some very good points, both in arrangement and design, that are worth while studying.

**A Western House**

The last design shown, that on page 50, is a 2-story



Page 47 shows a very popular design for a small, economical house.

On page 48 two fine houses are presented, each with

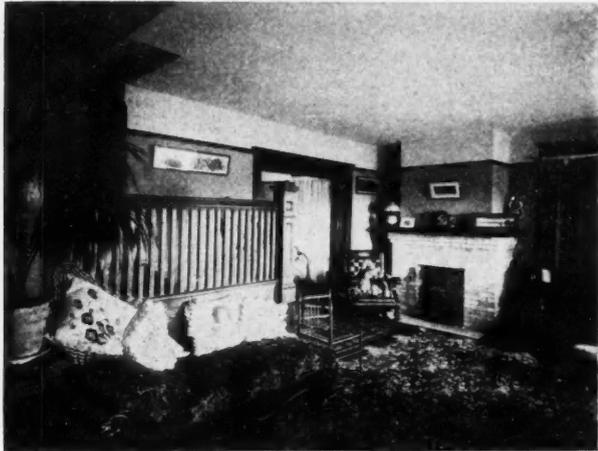
house of the current popular bungalow order as they are built in some parts of the west. This house was built in Omaha, Neb., at a cost of \$4,200.

**Drainage and Foundations**

The kind of foundation which may be used for any particular building depends partly upon the nature of the building and also partly upon the character of the soil or the site upon which it is built.

We might classify soils as wet or porous, and dry or solid; but in this case we will divide the sites into two classes; those which can well be drained and those which cannot.

For even though the soil be firm and dry, we should not expect to do much excavating or erect much of a



Living Room, Home of F. C. House, Hood River, Ore.

building without making some provision for draining away the water which may be expected to be present at times, provided, of course, that such drainage is practicable.



Looking into the Dining Room, Home of F. C. House

And on the other hand, we may have to deal with a wet, porous soil and a site where there is a quantity of water; yet it may be that by well arranged drains, this can be made an excellent building site.

In draining a building site the main points are to get the drains sufficiently deep, have enough of them and have them connected to an outlet of ample size and with a good fall.

When we attempt to construct cellars or basements

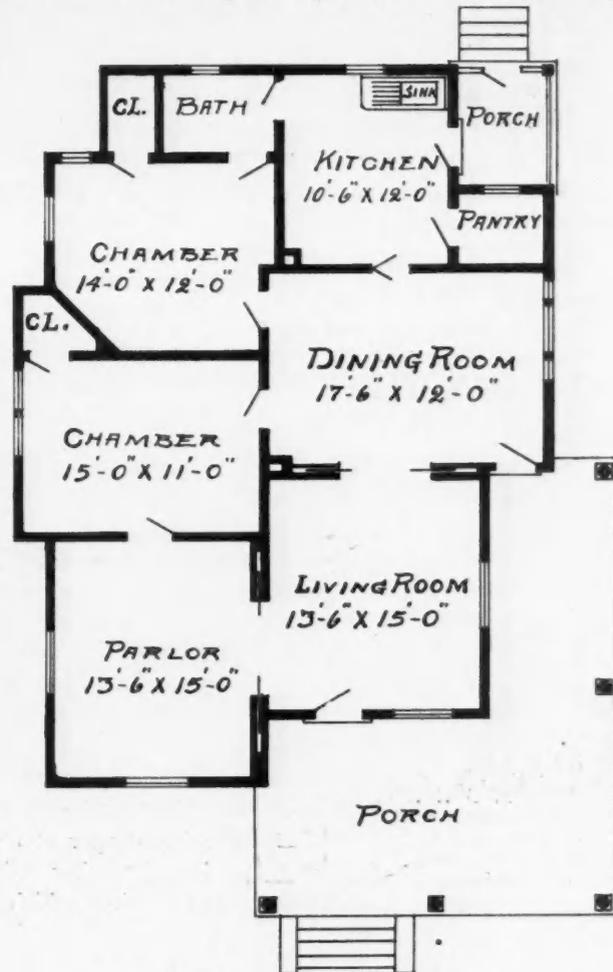
in soil which is wet or on sites where, for any reason, drainage is impracticable, we must plan to make such construction water-proof. This is not a difficult mat-



Residence of Wm. Wolf, Flora, Ill. Designed and Built by Frank S. Nichols. Cost Complete \$2,000

ter provided we are not unduly scrimping as to the expenses.

A few inches, more or less, of good concrete with which some water-proofing is combined is generally



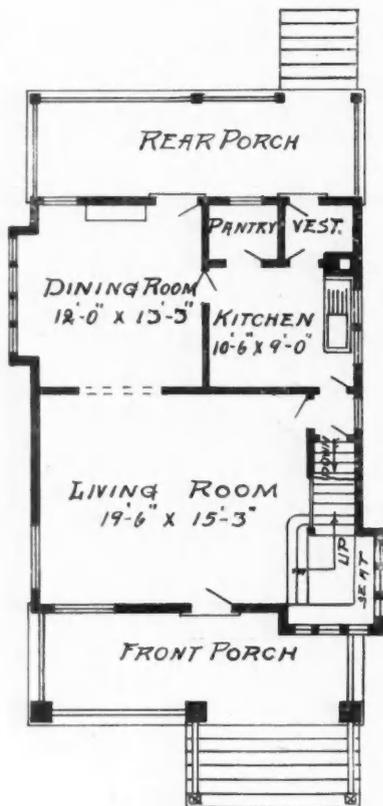
Floor Plan, Wm. Wolf's Cottage

sufficient. Then in some cases asphalt and felt are used.

There is a class of buildings in which little attention



Home of Nels P. Nelson, Oak Park, Ill. Cost to Build, \$2,825. Thos. H. Hulbert, Architect and Builder



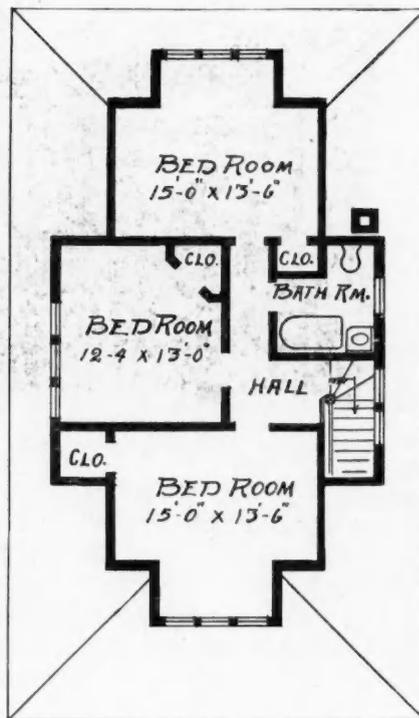
First Floor Plan

is usually given to the foundation. These are small barns and other frame structures. It is common practice to place them on a few abutments or piers, or to lay a low, dry wall. This will do in some cases on a dry soil; but where the soil is porous and spongy, it is sometimes a problem how to secure a good foundation at a reasonable expense. Perhaps as good a way as any is to excavate a trench of good width and depth, proportionate to the size and weight of the building and build a good concrete wall.

This wall should be reinforced both for strength and economy. One horizontal rod on each face for each foot in height will generally be about right.

It may be well to excavate somewhat deeper at each corner and perhaps at other points, and build concrete piers which shall extend below the main wall. These piers should be reinforced vertically and may be made thicker than the rest of the wall.

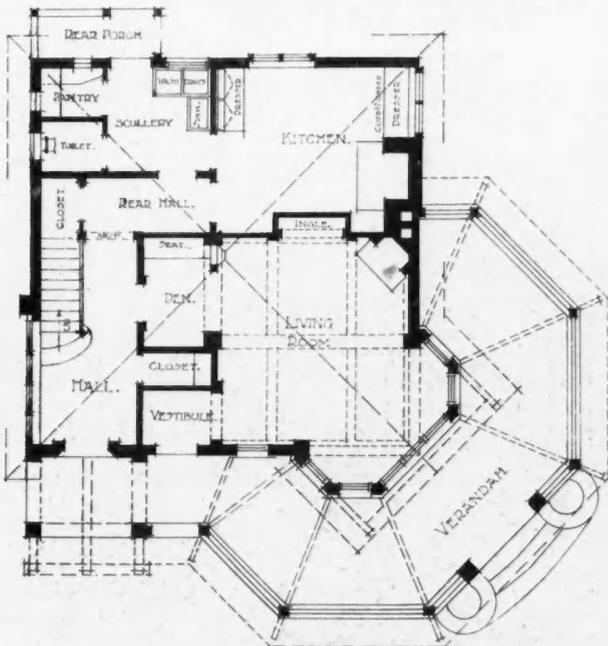
For small, light buildings I have built the foundations by digging a trench a foot or more deep and of the



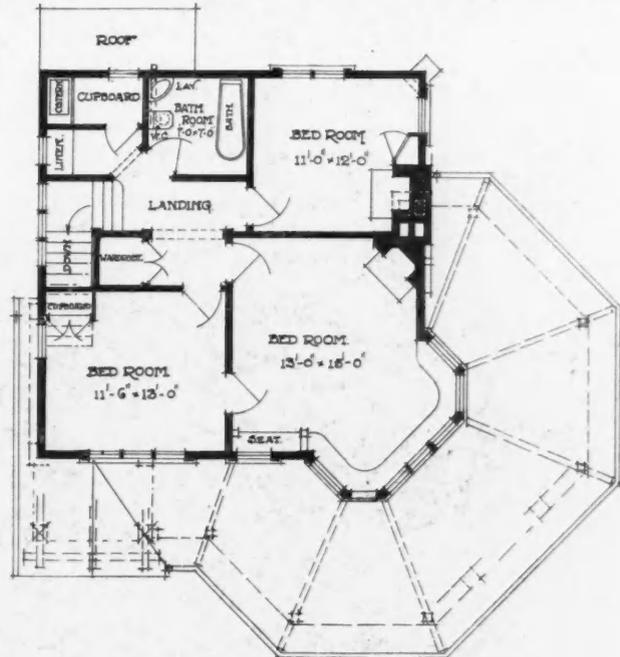
Second Floor Plan

same width. At the corners and at other points in the trench, say each side of the door openings, a hole

The sills were spiked to the posts, which were set so as to be a few inches from the face of the wall.



First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan

was bored down with a post auger to the depth of ten feet below the trench. Cedar posts were driven into these holes and cut off at the proper height to receive the sill. Forms were set upon each side of the trench, a foot high; and the trench, the holes around the posts, and the forms were filled with concrete. In some cases reinforcement was used.

Such a foundation will prove very satisfactory.

JOHN UPTON.



**De-Rusting of Iron in Concrete**

The cause of the disappearance of rust from iron reinforcing in concrete structures has been traced to the presence of acid carbonates and sulphates in the

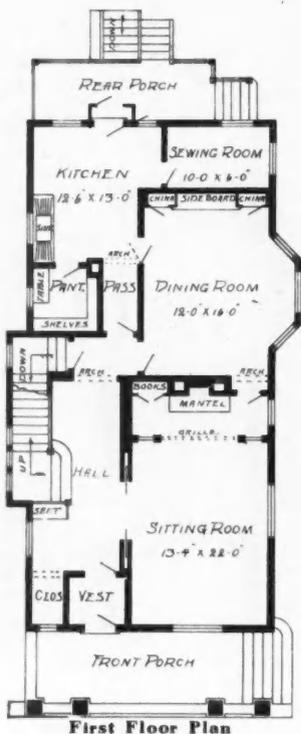


Masonry House of an English Design. Estimated Cost \$4,500  
George Jackson, New Haven, Conn., Architect

GEORGE JACKSON ARCHT.  
30 WATER ST. NEW HAVEN, CONN.



Comfortable Home of Henry Worthmann, Oak Park, Ill. Worthmann & Steinback, Chicago, Ill., Architects. Cost Complete \$7,500



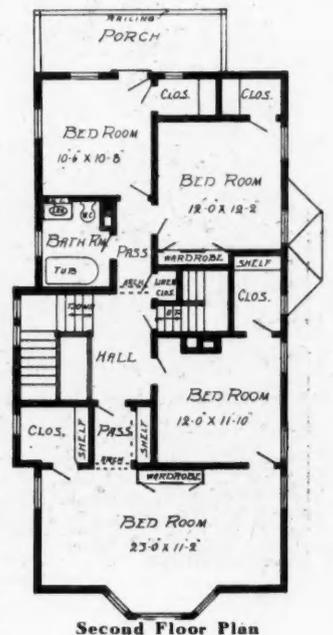
ment, these salts dissolving the iron oxide and leaving the metal bright. The cement in setting absorbs carbonic acid from the air, thus forming the necessary acid carbonates, and experiments show that the de-rusting process is effected while the concrete is setting and commencing to harden.

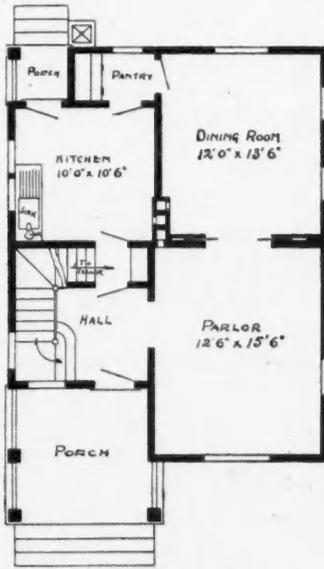
**Requisite Knowledge**

As a South Jersey country physician was driving through a village, he saw a man amusing a crowd with the antics of his trick dog. The doctor pulled up and said: "My dear man, how do you manage to train your dog that way? I can't teach mine a single trick!" The man looked up, with a simple rustic look, and replied: "Well, you see it's this way; you have to know more'n the dog, or you can't learn him nothin'."

**Mosaic Floors in the Home**

Mosaic floors have become quite a prominent feature of American architecture within the last quarter of a century. Today they are to be found in vestibules, bathrooms, kitchens, hallways, and dining-rooms in many residences, and they are acknowledged

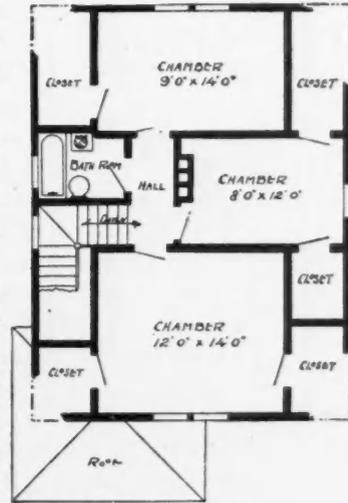




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to be very sanitary as well as peculiarly attractive to the eye. The mosaic floor of today is usually constructed either of marble, which is a natural stone, or ceramic tiling. Each of these substances has its advantages for use in mosaics, but, although they have many similarities, they have also many technical and other differences with which every architect, contractor and builder should be acquainted.

Marble is a carbonate of lime, and the marble tesserae, as the individual pieces of the mosaic are called, have to be cut, and are limited in color to the shades in which marble naturally occurs. Ceramic mosaic is made of plastic clay and is a silicate of alumina, to which other materials in small quantities have been added. The ceramic tesserae are usually molded in steel dies. Different varieties of clay assume different colors when subjected to the fire of the kiln, and by the addition of metallic oxides the clay tesserae can be provided in almost any color, shade or tint.



Second Floor Plan



Home of Wm. Thompson at Battle Creek, Mich. Built by the Brownell Construction Co. for Martin P. Hwyc. Cost \$1,700

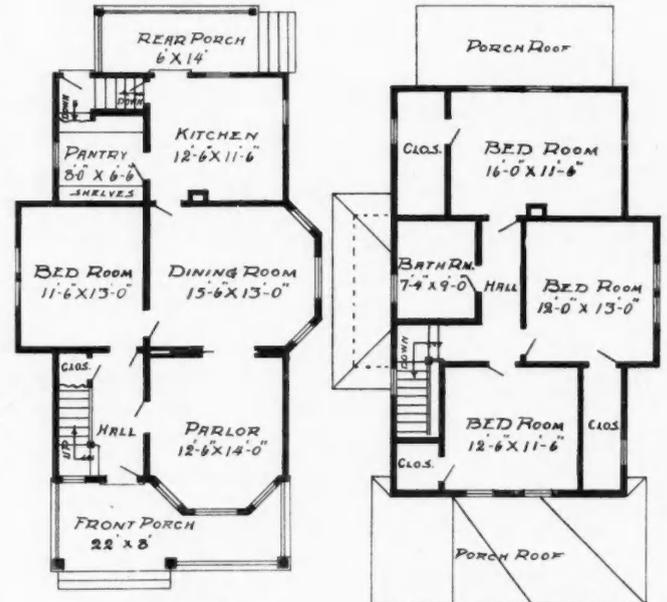
Color is a very essential factor in decorative art, and, all other things being equal, that material which presents the greatest range of color offers the greatest opportunity to the artist, be he painter or worker in mosaics. As the color range of ceramic is many times greater than that of marble mosaic, the latter is at a serious disadvantage. In the form of the ceramic tesserae, also, the ceramic mosaic presents a far greater variety than the marble. Ceramic tesserae are molded in squares, hexagons, circles, or rectangles—indeed, in any geometrical pattern—while marble tesserae are nearly always cut in squares.

Being a carbonate of lime, marble is a soft material, which is readily scratched by sharp or gritty substances, such as steel or sand. Marble mosaic makes a very attractive floor, but owing to this softness it is

A most important factor in the durability of mosaic floors is the composition of the foundation in which they are set. Both marble and ceramic mosaic floors are set in Portland cement; but the ceramic mosaic is



Home of E. W. Tuttle at Bladen, Neb. Built By H. L. Richendifer Cost \$4,500. E. Bishop, Blue Hill, Neb., Architect.

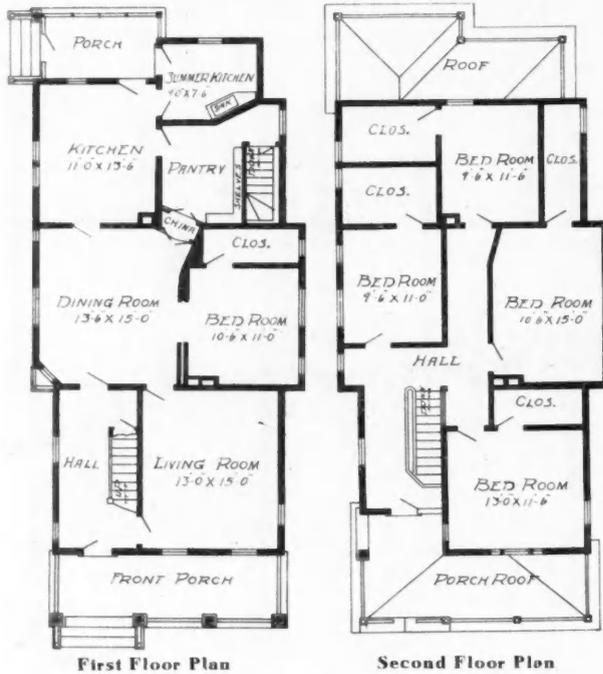


First Floor Plan

Second Floor Plan



Home of Mr. Elmo Hadley, at Diller, Neb. Designed and Built by Himself



First Floor Plan

Second Floor Plan

not advisable to use it in places where it is liable to encounter cutting substances. Clay, on the other hand, can be baked harder than steel or almost any natural stone. Consequently sharp sand and the steel nails of shoes do not scratch or wear it.

set in a pure cement mortar, while the mortar in which the marble tesserae are set is mixed with lime. Set Portland cement is a silicate of lime, and as such is far too hard to be cut with sharp sand. Mortar made of pure Portland cement and sand has no plastic or adhesive qualities and is, therefore, rather difficult to work with; but by adding a small amount of lime the wet mortar can be made adhesive and it will hold better to the concrete foundation, especially in wall work.

Among the greatest values of inorganic flooring material, in the form of mosaics or otherwise, are its sanitary qualities and the facility with which it can be cleaned. Here, also, the ceramic mosaic possesses marked advantages over marble. Marble is partly porous. Owing to this porosity, marble floors can absorb dirt and septic matter. Modern bacteriologists have proven that micro-organisms are vegetable

growths. Lime is an essential to vegetable life, and as marble is a carbonate of lime, it gives a certain amount of encouragement to the propagation of germs, or septic matter. Clay on the other hand, is absolutely sterile, so far as germs are concerned. In the form of vitrified tile or ceramic mosaics the clay material is so baked that it is either absolutely non-porous or, at least, so dense that it cannot absorb septic matter.



### Regulation of Heat and Ventilation

"The first thing to be done in our homes, to bring about a better condition, no matter how they are heated," says *Building Management*, "is to stop overheating our living-rooms and our bedrooms." A thermometer is almost as essential as the heating apparatus itself. With furnace, hot water, or steam heat, a thermostat should be used, and under ordinary conditions, the temperature in the living-rooms should never be above 72 degrees Fahrenheit. If proper pre-



Modern 8-room house built in Oak Park, Ill., by S. T. Gunderson & Sons. Cost \$4,750. F. O. DeMoney, Architect. This house is finished in oak throughout and has hot water heat.

cautions regarding humidity are taken, a temperature from 65 to 68 degrees will be found perfectly comfortable, and effect a considerable saving in the coal bill.

The regulation of the humidity is especially important. It is humidity and not real heat which is responsible for so much of the discomfort produced in the warm months of the year. A hot-air furnace should always be equipped with an automatic humidifier of the right size. If it has this equipment, the proper degree of humidity can be assured in the home. If no humidifier is applied to the furnace, the water pan should be kept full of water, and a small can, or bucket of water should be hung under each register. If the home is heated by either steam or hot water, the indirects should be equipped with a perforated pan humidifier, which is not expensive, and is so made that, while it will furnish a large volume of moisture in the air, it will not interfere with the heat.

The most important of all the requirements for controlling and regulating the heat is the ventilation. All ventilation must begin with the removing of foul air.

Homes with fireplaces have a first-class exhaust vent, if properly used. If the fireplace is built solely for ornament, the top of the flue should be capped with non-down draft vent head. In homes heated by stoves or hot air, a light fire of shavings or paper built in the fireplace will start the draft upward, and the exhaust vent will be completed. Much better results can be obtained where the fireplace can be used, as a light



A very artistic Oak Park, Ill., home costing complete, \$5,250. It has 7 rooms, one a large 25' living room with beam ceiling. Oak trim throughout; hot water heating system; gas; electric lights; modern plumbing and fixtures. S. T. Gunderson & Sons, Builders.

coal fire, or the heat from a gas log creates a strong updraft. In homes heated by steam or hot water, a positive updraft can be maintained in the fireplace by running an aspirating pipe up the flue.

One bedroom, at least, should have an exhaust vent for cases of sickness. The living-rooms in homes built without vent flues and heated by stoves, will have to depend upon window ventilation and the fireplace for fresh air and ventilation. When possible the window vents should be placed so as to get cross circulation,

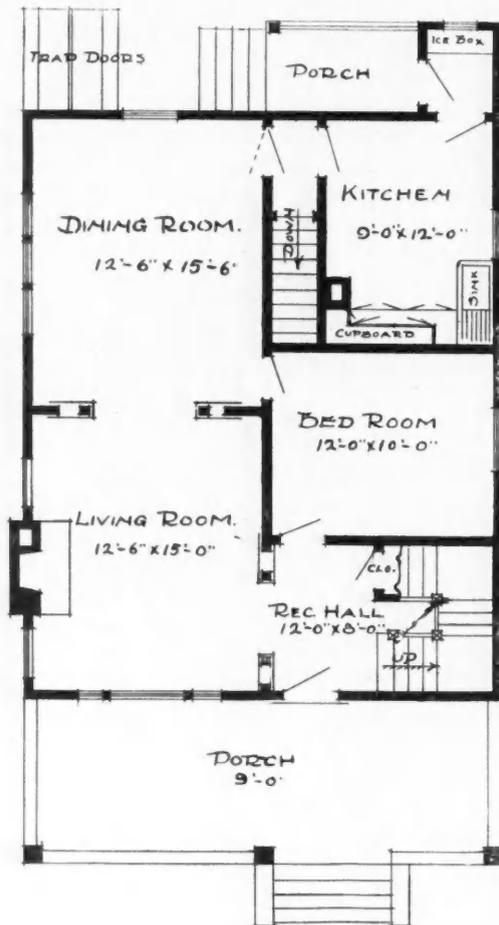


Home of S. M. Gunderson, Oak Park, Ill. Eleven rooms, including large ball room. F. O. DeMoney, Chicago, Architect. Cost complete, \$10,000.

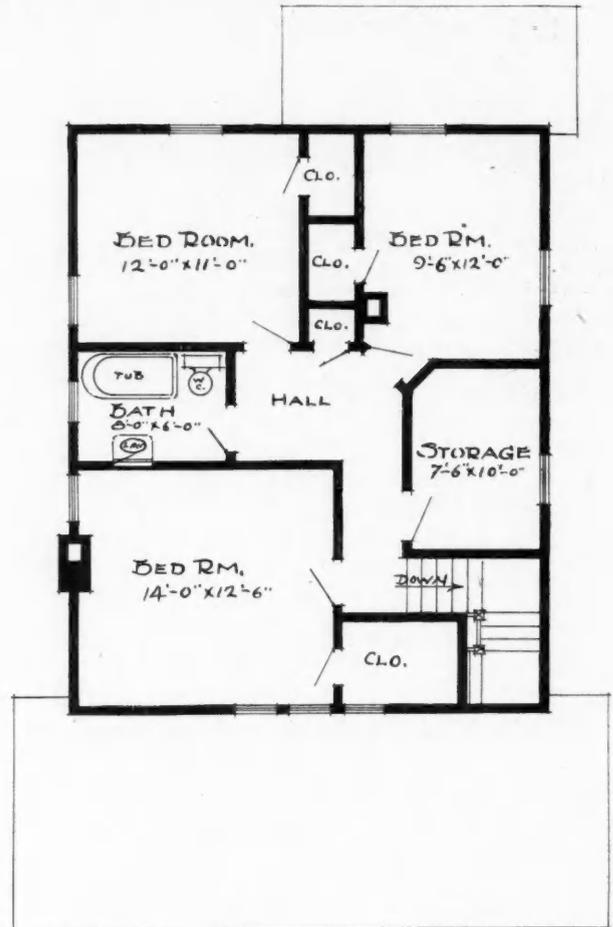
by putting a small vent in two windows, placed opposite each other in each room. If this is not possible, there should be two vents of a larger size placed in two windows as far apart as possible. This method of ventilation is more expensive in fuel than that by aspirating vent flues, but it is worth the price in the health and comfort which it provides in the long run.



Attractive Residence Built for Eugene P. Meladey, at Omaha, Neb. Cost \$4,200



First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan

## The Kitchen of Today

THE WORKSHOP OF THE HOME AND HOW IT SHOULD BE ARRANGED AND FINISHED FOR GREATEST COMFORT TO THE HOUSEWIFE

By Lynde Claves

THE kitchen of today differs materially from the kitchen of long ago. The twentieth century housewife realizes fully the importance of seemingly minor details in making the kitchen a habitable apartment and in planning the home, gives much thought and study to its situation and appointments. Modern architecture achieves its greatest triumph in bettering things that for generations past have been faulty. The successful architect is the one who remedies little evils, which without careful thought, lurk unnoticed, and which are blighting influences to the comfort and home spirit so eagerly sought.

The situation of the kitchen is important. A northern exposure is the most desirable, and this apartment will be cooler and more conducive to comfort, if it has no southern window. The little sun needed can readily be obtained from eastern or western windows, or from a window towards the north, which gives a steady light. A large window facing the south is all very well for the living room, where the bright, warm rays of the sun are desirable, but they find no welcome place in the kitchen, where the busy housewife cooks and cleans, and where the cool air is refreshing. Proper ventilation is of course essential. Windows on opposite sides of the room permit of a cross draft, which will air the room thoroughly. When possible, they should be so arranged.

Careful thought should be given to the arrangement of shelves, the position and space the range is to occupy, and the most convenient place for the sink. These appointments are most important, and should be attended to before determining the treatment of walls, ceiling and floor.

A tile floor is always attractive, non-absorbent, and easily cleaned. Glazed tiles are more sanitary than unglazed ones, and are prettiest in shades of buff. Marble mosaic, terrazzo, and the granolithic floor with a basis of cement are also much employed, and have the advantage of being less expensive. Like tiles, however, they have the disadvantage of being cold to stand on.

Within the last few years an effort has been made to produce a floor material of fireproof character that would have some of the elastic property of wood, and several materials such as lignolith, monolith and asbestolith, have been put upon the market. These are all patent compositions of wood fiber and plaster put on in a plastic condition, much as plaster is, and then trowelled down and polished. They are made in various colors, and have the advantage of having no joints or cracks wherein dust can collect. Unfortunately, however, the surface wears with use, and requires revarnishing and repolishing much as a wooden floor, but not so often.

The well-laid rift-sawed hard pine wood floor still finds favor with many. Well oiled, and washed frequently, they do not crack or make open seams. Care should be taken, however, that the boards are sawn rift, as any other kind shortly mean a slivering floor, which above all things should be avoided. The question of flooring is most perplexing, and is most satisfactorily decided when left to the mistress of the house.

The treatment of the walls is important. Wall paper, as a general rule, should not be used; although covered with a coat of shellac, which permits of its being wiped and kept clean, it is sometimes employed. Oilcloth of tiled pattern, used in conjunction with linoleum as a floor covering, gives the appearance of a tiled kitchen, at a small outlay of money, and has found favor with many. This also admits of frequent wiping down which prevents it from looking soiled and grimy.

A pretty wall treatment is of hard cement plaster



Corner of a Modern Kitchen

applied to metal lath and finished to a smooth surface. This is often done in grooved lines, resembling tiles. After it is dried, it is treated to several coats of white lead and oil paint, and a final coat of enamel paint.

Perhaps the most effective treatment is the one least expensive. Oil, mixed with varnish, rubbed into the walls gives them a soft tint of light yellow, and each successive coat turns them a trifle darker. The finish becomes darker after a time, and it is well to remember this, so as not to have your walls too dark at first. Varnish added to oil makes a surface that can be washed and that steam will not discolor.

Now as to the range and sink. The location of the chimney decides the former. If one is particular in regard to the smell of the cooking, a hood, connected

with the ventilating flue can be placed over the range. Or a register in the chimney, near the ceiling, will do just as well, but care must be taken that it surely connects with the ventilating flue, which is obtained by building an iron smokepipe inside the brick flue, and utilizing the space about the smokepipe as a ventilating shaft. The air, brought in contact with the smokepipe, is thus warmed, and there is always a good upward draft.

The sink should always occupy a space where there is plenty of light. Between two windows, or under a window, are ideal locations. In the latter case, care must be taken to have the space between the window and sink from fourteen to fifteen inches. Do not set the sink too low, or a person washing dishes will be required to stoop over, thus straining the back. Two feet eight inches is the average height of the sink, although some prefer to have it a few inches higher.

Porcelain, enameled iron, soapstone or slate are the materials of which the sink should be constructed. Of these, porcelain is the most expensive. It is also the most attractive, with its pure white coloring, high glaze, freedom from cracks, and absence of sharp corners, which makes it most desirable.

Second in importance is enameled iron. This is nearly as good as porcelain, and very much resembles it. The enamel is applied in such a way that it does not wear off, and only the roughest usage will nick it.

Slate sinks, of a close-grained dark slate, such as Monson Maine slate, make very desirable sinks, are easily kept clean, and wear well. Shelves of slate placed on either side, or at both ends of the sink, grooved to drain into it, are better than wood, are inexpensive, and can be obtained of any length desired. It is well to have a slate back for both sink and shelves.

Careful attention should be given to the planning of an easily accessible place for the pots, kettles and other utensils, also for the various food-stuffs, as flour,

ber is swelling, who apply the laboratory system to their own kitchens, and use glass jars, set on open glass shelves for their stores, and glass shelves and metal hooks for pots and kettles. Glass has the advantage of being easily cleaned, thus rendering it sanitary. It also possesses a second advantage, as it enables one to tell at a glance when the stores are getting low, whereas boxes are generally low before one thinks to carefully examine them.

Narrow shelves are preferable as they occupy less space, and do not afford an opportunity for overcrowding, as is often done if the shelves are wide. Some prefer to have their shelves enclosed in a dresser in the kitchen or in a closet opening from the kitchen. This latter device is generally fitted with open shelves, cupboards and drawers. About three feet from the floor is a broad shelf, known as the counter-shelf, fitted with hinges so that it may be lifted up. Below this shelf are drawers and a cupboard just large enough to hold a barrel of flour. A definite place for each and every thing is necessary, as it prevents confusion when one is in a hurry and wishes to use some certain thing.

Each housewife has her own ideas as to the arrangement of the various utensils. Some use the closet for this purpose; others insist that the pans hang on separate hooks, and not be jumbled together. One housewife of my acquaintance has solved this question very satisfactorily. She has had a shallow closet built, the thickness of the partition, which she has fitted with a series of racks, very similar to those found on the backs of church pews, which hold the covers of various saucepans. Underneath are hooks on which the pans are hung, bottom side out. This, my friend claims, keeps them free from soot and dirt, and always ready for immediate use.

Sometimes the space beneath the dresser is used for this purpose. A kitchen cabinet is handy, and can be so constructed as to be within the means of the most limited purse. They afford ample space for the convenient arrangement of pots, kettles, etc.

Now, as regards the kitchen furniture. One or two tables are necessary, and the size of same should be in proportion to the surroundings. The old-fashioned wooden table is still much employed, and covered with oil-cloth, serves its purpose well. It is far better, however, to have a marble or glass top table, as these tops can be removed and thoroughly cleaned. Drawers beneath the table are very handy to hold towels, knives, spoons and other useful articles. The legs of the table should be sturdy and set squarely on the floor.

Chairs seem indispensable, and yet as a rule there is but little room for them. They should be of strong material, and simple in design. Rocking chairs are a nuisance, and stuffed chairs are dust collectors, and both are unnecessary and undesirable in this apartment.

The refrigerator, while not distinctly a part of the kitchen furniture, should always be placed near at



Showing Large Range, with Ventilating Hood

meal and cereals. While the majority of housewives have closets specially built to contain these different things, yet there are some, and year by year the num-

hand. A porch, or better still, a closet leading from the kitchen, is a good spot for its placing. A shelf placed above it for the placing of food, while the refrigerator is being cleaned, is handy, and saves many steps for the busy housewife.

The women of today are beginning to realize the importance of the kitchen and its appointments, and in the course of a few years, doubtless many more im-

provements will be noted and put into effect. It is an apartment that should be designed with as much care as any room in the house. It is not a place where practical devices can be aimlessly thrust; it is not a left-over space, unworthy of thought and consideration; it is the spot where the mistress of the home spends many hours each day, and should therefore be pleasantly and commodiously arranged.

## Plumbing and the Placing of Pipes

SOME PRACTICAL ADVICE TO HOME BUILDERS BY A CONTRACTING PLUMBER—THE PLACING OF PIPES TO PREVENT FREEZING

**I**N THE building of houses according to what is known as the modern idea, there is nothing more essential than the plumbing work. First, the plans for that portion of the work should be carefully considered, the second care being that the construction then should be in accordance with the approved specifications.

There are reasons more than one why the plumbing should be given careful consideration when the house plans are in the formative stage. If the entire house is designed merely to suit the idea of a porch which has pleased a fancy, there is a strong possibility that the plumbing or some other important feature of the construction will "take what's left" and be glad of the chance to get in any place, any old way.

### Plumbing Most Essential

In cities especially, where the building becomes congested, there is no escape from a certain amount of plumbing if it be nothing more than a waste pipe or two leading to the sewer. In a modern house, under the general acceptance of the term, the plumbing is one of the most important features of the construction. The man contemplating house building should get a few pointers from practical men in the trade, pointers which cost him nothing and serve him well ever after. The science of plumbing has advanced to such a degree that few, if any, master plumbers worthy of the name but can give the house builder important tips that are followed by lasting benefits.

There are little things that are slighted in the desire sometimes to save a bit of money in the installation of the work. Afterwards they become constant sources of expense. That is true even though the contracting plumber conscientiously performs every bit of work demanded by the specifications.

"They have learned by experience, those persons who have built more than one house," said a contracting plumber, "but the trouble is that the majority of persons never build more than one house. They make a mistake and suffer from it forever. One of the errors common to inexperienced persons is so placing a bathroom, for instance, that the pipes leading to and from that place are against the outside walls of the house. That should not be done if there is a way to avoid it, and usually it's not a difficult matter. In a frame house, for instance, with the pipes against the outside

wall, the danger of freezing is vastly increased. Of course pipes that freeze and burst during the winter time make a harvest for the plumber, but there is really no necessity for it.

### Reducing Danger of Freezing

"If the pipes are carried to the second floor for instance, along or inside an interior wall the danger of freezing is reduced to a minimum. That's such a simple thing, so plain to any one who gives it a moment's consideration that you would think that no one would overlook it. You would be surprised even now to see how many times that mistake is made. Pipes freeze in well-built houses, if they are in or against the outside wall. That is true especially when there is a high wind. Then pipes which will safely withstand twenty or more degrees of more intense cold, freeze and burst.

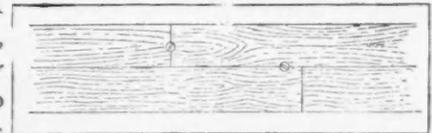
"Such mistakes bring work for the plumbers, it is true, but it is work that comes grudgingly nine times out of ten, and in spite of all that is done such business never pays. There are little kinks in the business which if the house builder had a line on wouldn't cost him anything, or at least not much in his building, and there would be a certainty that he would avoid what are now common annoyances."



### How to Keep Floors From Squeaking

The noise in floors that squeak in various places when stepped upon is caused by the boards rubbing together. A

good remedy, says *Popular Mechanics*, is to turn in screws



through the **Wood Screws Put in Between the Boards** cracks, as shown in the sketch. This can be done at housecleaning time. The screws will either spread the boards or hold them together so they will not squeak.



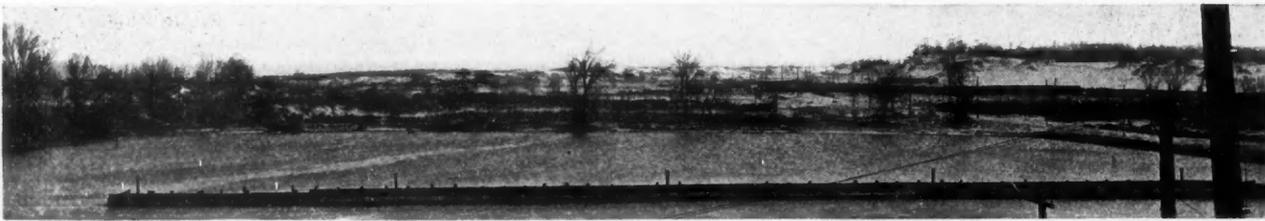
### Poultry Note

"So, you are raising chickens?"

"Yes," answered Mr. Crosslots.

"What do you find the greatest menace to the welfare of poultry?"

"Sunday company."



## Home Building Under Difficulties

HOW THE SAND DUNES ALONG THE EASTERN SHORE OF LAKE MICHIGAN ARE BEING RECLAIMED—  
A MODERN HOME BUILDING PROJECT

By C. R. W. Edgcumbe

AS THE boats plying to and fro between Chicago and the "twin cities" of St. Joseph and Benton Harbor approach the Michigan shore, north and south as far as the eye can reach can be seen immense sand dunes rearing their heads in fantastic

shapes. From a scenic standpoint they are delightful; but commercially these dunes are barren and worthless, especially so when practically hemming in a city which needs the room to grow. True, the gleaming white sand would yield fortunes in many places; but here its very abundance makes it almost worthless.



One of the Houses to Be Erected—W. C. Zimmerman, Architect

quently it is growing rapidly. Geographically, however, it is limited and hemmed in, for the St. Joseph river, flowing north, running almost parallel to the shore of the lake, describes an arc of but a small circle, and enters Lake Michigan flowing nearly due west.

The growth of St. Joseph has been restricted; the only way it could expand was due south along the lake shore, for Benton Harbor lay immediately on the eastern side of the river, and to the north were the sand dunes seemingly blocking all growth in that direction. Mr. Frank P. Graves first saw the possibilities in this barren and forbidding stretch of sand,



First Floor Plan

Second Floor Plan

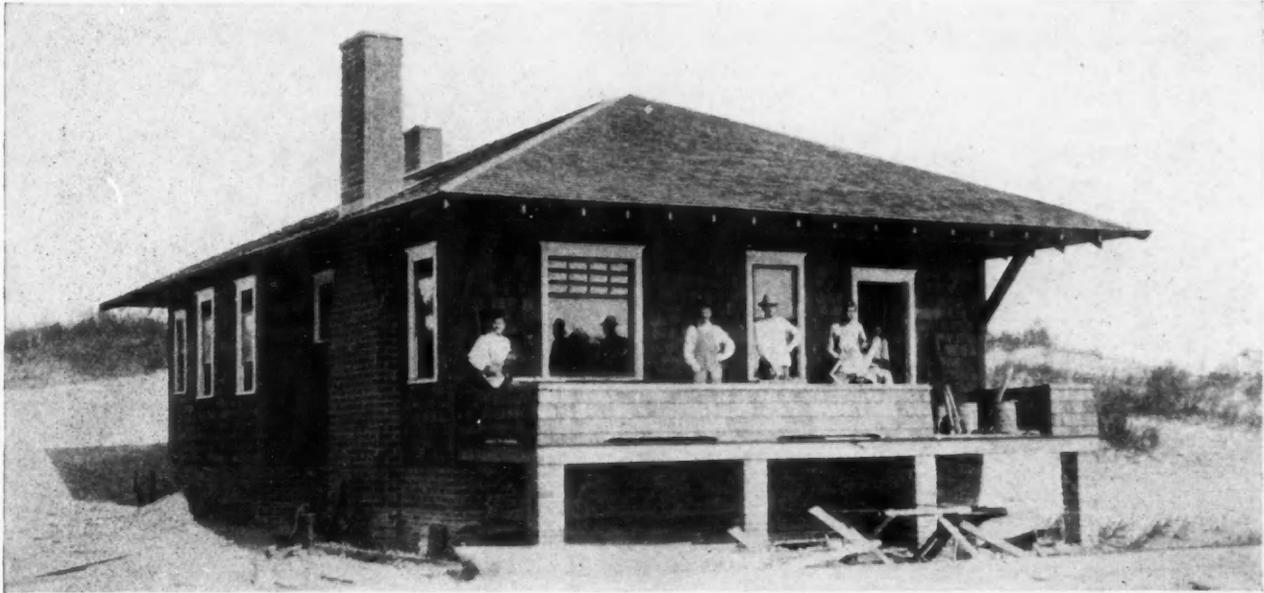
and organized a home-building company to develop it. This company purchased 160 acres of these dunes and was laughed at. The tract purchased lies facing directly on the lake, is moderately elevated and, in spite of the splendid view, was just about as unpromising, because of the giant sand hills, as a building site

St. Joseph, Mich., is a thriving town of about six thousand inhabitants, and owing to its nearness to Chicago, the great central market, and also to its being situated in the very heart of the Michigan fruit belt, it has become not only a Mecca for tourists, but is a manufacturing center of no little importance. Conse-



for modern homes could be. But when those who had scoffed at the idea began to see things in "Edgewater" take shape their laughs were turned to exclamations of amazement. There were extraordinary difficulties

plete as any in the country. No expense either in its construction or equipment has been spared to make it all it should be. Herein will be found gymnasium, billiard hall, bowling alleys, library and ball



Neat Five-Room Bungalow. Under Construction at "Edgewater"

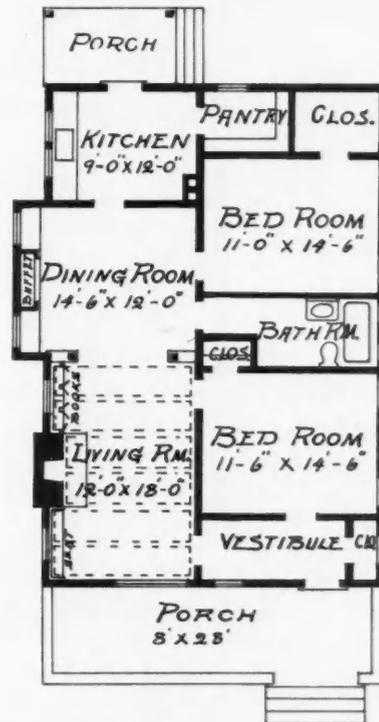
to overcome. First and foremost was the question of reaching the property; so the improvement company and the city got together and built a steel bridge costing in the neighborhood of \$50,000.

The greatest difficulty, however, was to get rid of the sand. The hills of enormous proportions are being removed by the modern hydraulic method. The water from the lake, by the use of huge pumps, is trained on the hills, literally washing them down and filling up the depressions. Over all the site when this leveling is done a thick coating of black earth will be laid. Already sewers have been put in.

In the winter when the north winds sweep down the four hundred miles of water, Lake Michigan lashes itself into fury and the waves hurling themselves at the beach force their way far inland. To protect against these waves a sea wall running the entire length of the property was called for and built. This wall is being built of solid concrete, being four feet wide at the base and eight inches wide at the top and is placed on piles four feet apart driven to a depth of ten feet. This is built about seventy-five feet from the edge of the lake. The top of this wall is about six feet above lake level. Back of this retaining wall it will be turfed for an additional seventy-five feet, where an eight-foot promenade has been built.

In about the center of this property in front of the retaining wall and directly over the lake a large club house has been constructed for the exclusive use of the property holders and their guests. This club house is in the nature of a gift from the company to the property holders in this tract. It will be as com-

plete as any in the country. No expense either in its construction or equipment has been spared to make it all it should be. Herein will be found gymnasium, billiard hall, bowling alleys, library and ball



Floor Plan of Bungalow

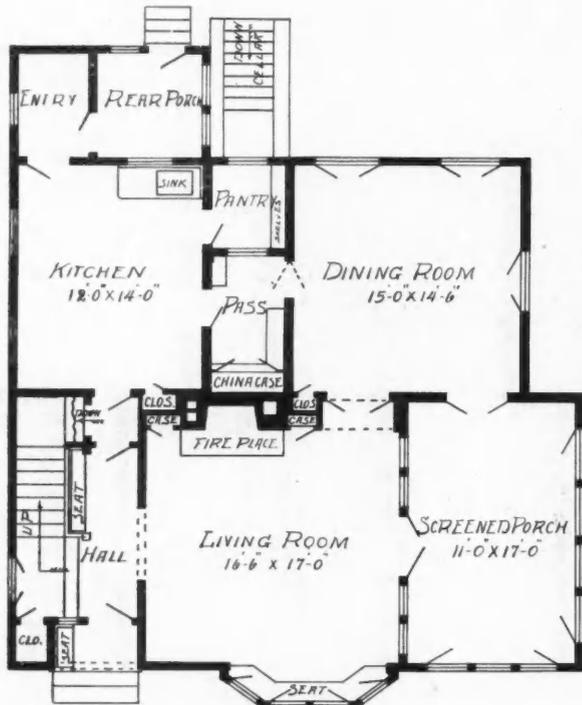
finish. Immediately in front of and extending from the club house a large pier has been built which runs out into Lake Michigan 400 feet, into water deep

enough to accommodate boats of almost any draught. At the end of this pier a large pavilion will be built.

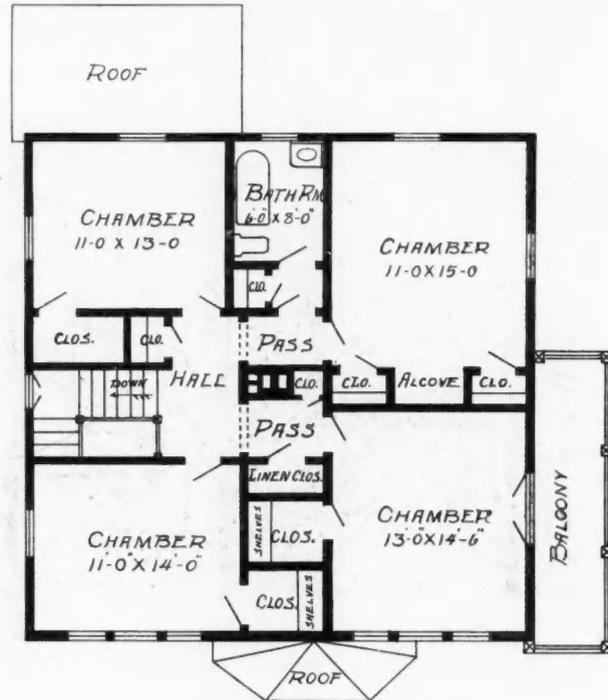
The houses that are already and that will be erected in this addition will be better possibly than those

\$1,750. And what is more, all plans of houses must be submitted to the architect of the company for approval. Here are shown several houses that are and will be constructed.

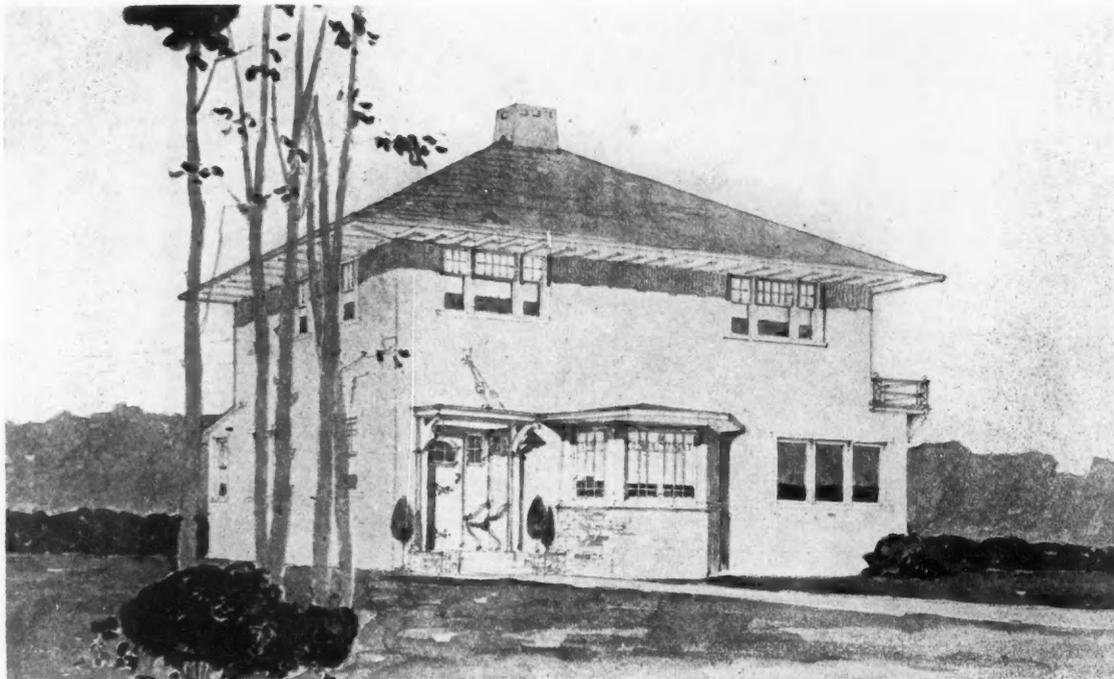
Such well known architects as W. Carlys Zimmerman



First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan



House to Be Built at "Edgewater". W. Carlys Zimmerman, Architect

found even in many first class neighborhoods, as all lots sold are subject to rather severe conditions. On the lots fronting the lake one must spend not less than \$3,500 for the building erected. On the other lots the minimum expenditure must not be less than

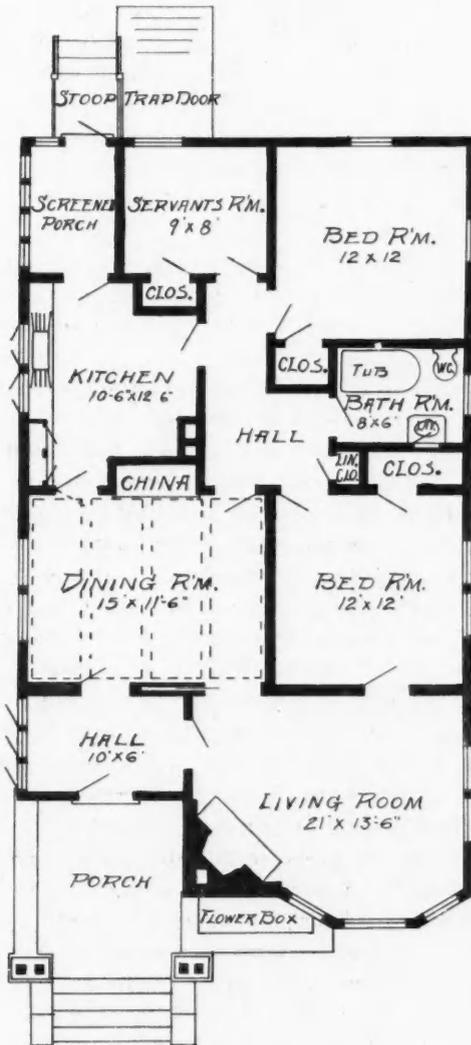
man and Marshall & Fox, both of Chicago, have been engaged on many of the houses. A. S. Lindenfelt, architect, of St. Joseph, will erect twelve houses. Mr. O. C. Simonds, landscape architect, also consulting engineer of Lincoln park, Chicago, was called upon



Community Club House. Under Course of Construction

to plan the streets with their landscape features. Wide streets which will eventually be built up with beautiful homes have been laid out and shade trees

infancy the beauty of the plan is apparent. Before any of the property was sold, miles of streets were paved or started and cement walks were either constructed or are in process of construction, and when all this work is finished there will be about three miles of paving and ten miles of cement walk. The total expenditure on this 160 acres of land will approximate



Floor Plan of Bungalow



Artistic Bungalow Being Built

half a million of dollars; eventually, of course, when all the homes are constructed a much greater sum will be spent.

### Home Repairing Hints

An excellent article to mend broken spots in plaster when there is neither plaster of paris nor cement on hand is made of coal ashes, sand and wheat flour.

Use two parts of coal ashes, well sifted, to two parts of fine sand and one of wheat flour, mixed with cold water to a paste. This will set hard and smooth in a few hours, and may be applied by the novice.

Hot-air furnace registers are very apt to rust during the summer, or if the house is left closed long at a time. To restore them to their original state without too high and artificial a gloss there is nothing better than asphaltum. A pint can of asphaltum blended smoothly with one gill of turpentine will provide enough to go over all the registers in an ordinary house and leave them looking bright and new with just lustre enough to be satisfactory.

have been planted. At street intersections ornamental flower beds relieve any monotony that might have crept in, and even now while the work is still in its

# STEEL SQUARE

ALFRED W. WOODS

## Possibilities of the Steel Square

HOW THE STEEL SQUARE MAY BE USED IN FRAMING ROOFS TO DEGREES OF PITCH—GENERAL RULE FOR THE SIDE CUTS OF RAFTERS FOR ANY SHAPED CORNER

**F**OR the steel square article this month we will take the subject of degrees framing and how to proceed with the steel square and compass.

To begin with, the steel squares in general use do not contain the degree markings; and whenever the slope of the roof is not determined by the proportion of the span, or as so many inches rise to the foot run, it is necessary to find the degrees of pitch by a trigonometric calculation or by the use of a protractor. However, in the absence of the latter, the degrees may be nearly enough obtained on the steel square for working purposes, as follows:

Lay off an angle of 90 degrees, which may be done by marking from the heel along the blade and tongue. With the angle as center, lay off a quarter circle, the radius of which may be any size desired, the larger the more accurate will be the result. Reverse the square, letting the tongue rest on the line as before, but with the 12-inch mark resting at the center from which the arc was struck, as shown in Fig. 263. Now, since a line from 12 to 12 on the square is known to be at an angle of 45 degrees, the quadrant of 90 degrees is equally divided, as shown in the illustration. If one of these parts is divided into nine equal parts, which may easily be done with a pair of spacers, it

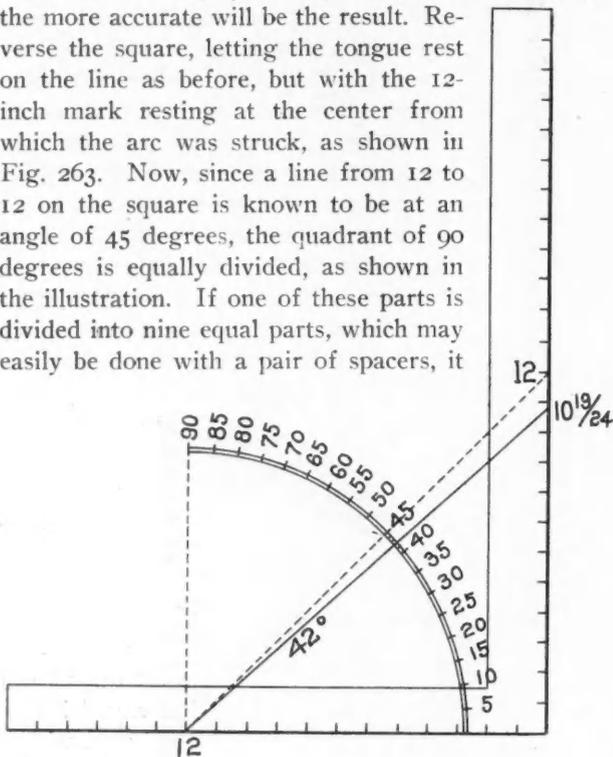


FIG. 263.

will readily be seen that these spaces will be five degrees apart. By again dividing these spaces into five parts, the divisions will represent degrees and a line from 12 on the tongue passing over these divisions,

intersecting the blade and the figures found there, will represent the figures to use to obtain the desired pitch.

Now, suppose we wish to frame a roof with a pitch of 42 degrees. Since 42 is a little less than 45 degrees, the first space below the line should be divided into five spaces and two of these above the 40th degree will be the proper point on the degree circle for the line to pass; and it will be found to intersect the blade at 10  $\frac{19}{24}$  inches, which represents the rise for a one-foot run of the common rafter. Then 12 and 10  $\frac{19}{24}$  will give the seat and plumb cuts for the common rafter. This is the starting point. Proceed for the lengths and cuts of other rafters as in ordinary framing for the  $\frac{1}{3}$  or any other pitch desired.

Custom, generally, has settled on designating the roof pitch by the proportion of the rise to the span, or by so many inches rise to the foot run of the common rafter, rather than by degrees. This is presumably on account of the fractions in the rise that would result, which are not easily arrived at. In framing by degrees the rise itself is not easily found except in the special case of the 45-degree pitch. This is the same as the  $\frac{1}{2}$ -pitch; in it the tangent and the run of the common rafter are equal for the square cornered building. Now this is confusing to many who fail to realize the relation of one to the other.

We have known carpenters who considered themselves expert framers with the steel square; but when given something different from the regular square-cornered work, they were at a loss to know what figures on the square to use, and were compelled to resort to other methods, simply because they did not understand the true principles involved.

The side cuts are determined by the degree circle and are simply miters for the angle of the building to which they belong. To make this point more clear, take the jack and hip after they have been cut out for a square-cornered building, regardless of the pitch, and cut off the peak ends of both on a line parallel with their seat cuts; it will be found that the angle is at 45 degrees, or the same as the miter for the square corner. What is true of this is true of the octagon roof, or any other regular polygonal shaped roof.

It should be remembered that the miter or the side cuts in roof work are determined by the divisions of the circle and that the steel square is not a necessary adjunct as a framing tool, but rather a reading instrument of convenience in connection with the compass, which long antedates the square.

In Fig. 264 is shown a diagram of how to find the lengths of the rafters to a given scale. Bevels may be applied to the different angles to obtain the cuts; but in this it is our aim to show the parts to take on the steel square and why they give correct results.

Suppose we wish to frame a roof for a square cornered building at 30-degree pitch. Let A B represent the run of the seat of the common rafter, and with A as center, lay off the arc and proceed as in Fig. 263 for the pitch. B C will represent the rise and A C the length of the common rafter. At B lay off another arc and bisect it at the center, which will be the position in degrees that the seat of the hip rests with that of the common rafter, provided the roof is of the same pitch on both sides. This line extended to a point at right angles with A B, as at F, will represent the hip's run

at E is for the side cut of hip after it is backed, the bevel being applied to the backing and is the same as for the side cut of the jack.

So far, we trust all understand, but the point we wish to bring out is to illustrate the general rule of how to apply the steel square for the side cuts, not only for the square corner but for any other cornered building. It is this:

For the side cut of the jack, take A F on one arm of the square and A C on the other. Cut on A C.

For the side cut of the hip, take F G on one arm and D C on the other. Cut on D C. Note that F A equals the run of the common rafter (A B) and F G the run of the hip (F B). This does not occur in

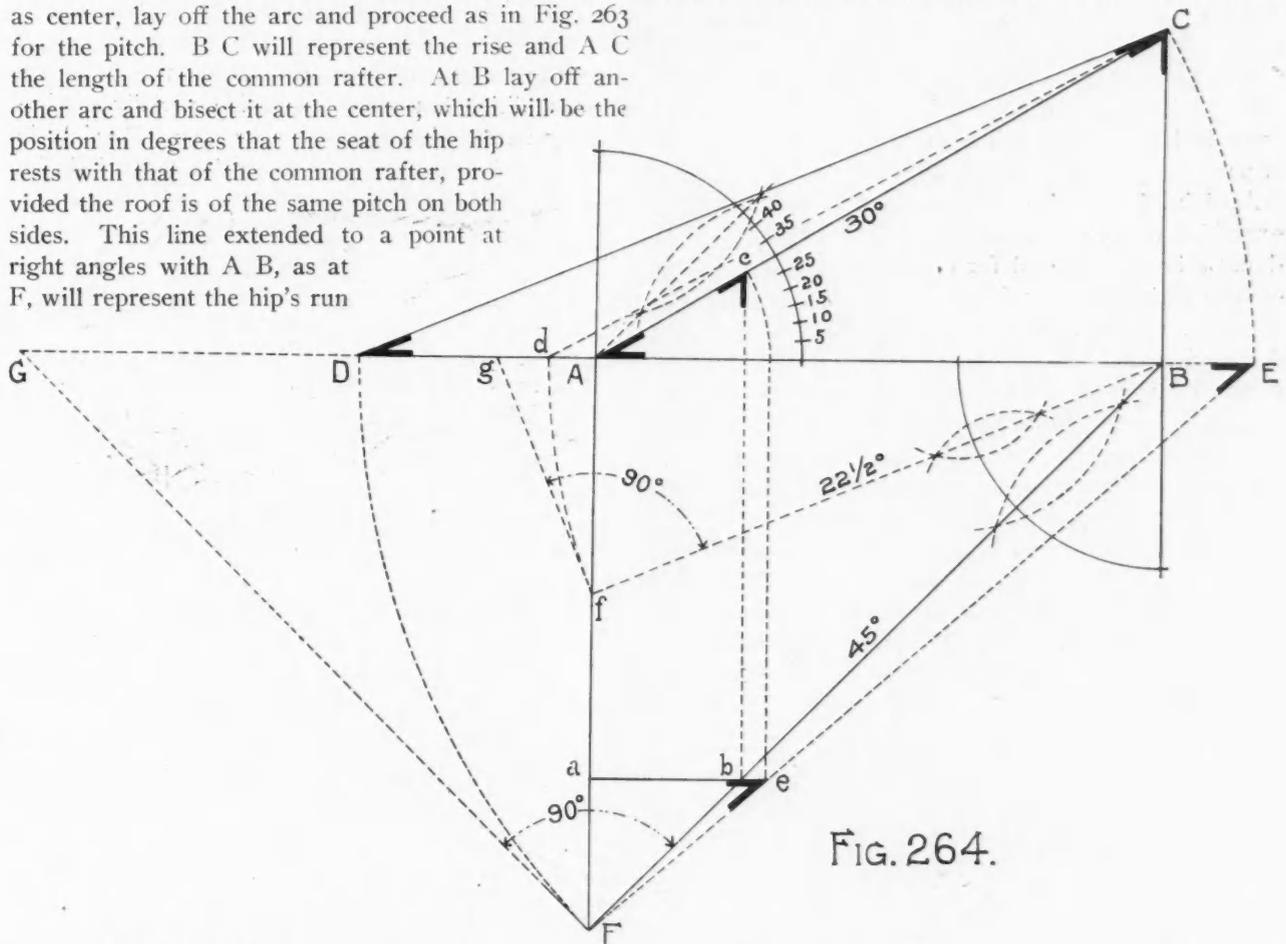


FIG. 264.

and equals B D. Then D C represents the length of the hip and equals F E, the latter being drawn to obtain the bevels for the cuts. A E is obtained by dropping A C on the line A B; a b represents the run of the first jack from the corner, and by squaring up to A C, as shown, its length will be A e; this also represents the common difference in the length of the jacks. The seat and down bevels remain the same as for the common rafter, but there is required an additional bevel across the back for the cut to fit against the hip. This is found by extending a b, intersecting F E, as shown at e.

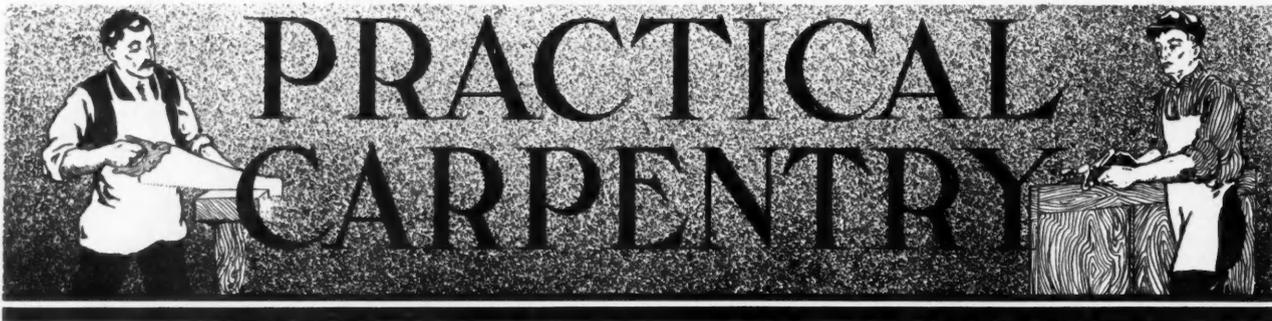
It will be seen that a e equals A c and may therefore be taken for the length of the jack. The various cuts may be obtained with bevels, as shown. That

any other than the square corner, and is where most carpenters are thrown off their guard and fail to grasp the general rule that applies to all alike.

Proceed in the same manner for the octagon, except that the run of the hip will be at 22 1/2 degrees from the run of the common rafter, as shown by the dotted lines. A f taken on one arm and A C on the other will give the side cut for the octagon jack, A C giving the cut; f g and d c will give the side cut of the octagon hip but it is not practical to cut them that way because their points would all run to a feather edge.



Many a farmer is debating whether to build a new barn or buy an automobile, but most of them do both.



## Points in Current Construction

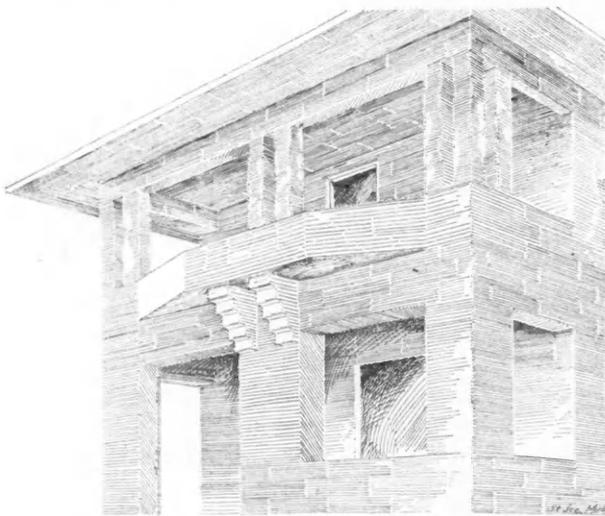
FEATURES OF PRESENT DAY HOUSE FRAMING. SOME TO BE RECOMMENDED, SOME NOT, AS OBSERVED AND SKETCHED FROM WORK NOW IN PROGRESS

By C. Bryant Schaefer

**T**O the busy workman who does not have time to look about him and learn what is going on in his line of work some sketches of buildings in progress of construction will prove useful.

Applying lath to the entire exterior of a building is something new to the trade. The accompanying sketch shows a house prepared for cement plaster which has become such a popular finish for suburban residences. To what extent it will continue in use is hard to determine. Efforts are being made to discover a means of water-proofing the plastered surface and overcoming objectionable dampness. Nevertheless the cement surfaced exterior is bound to hold its own; and the question then is concerning the outside lathing, whether it is done in the best possible manner.

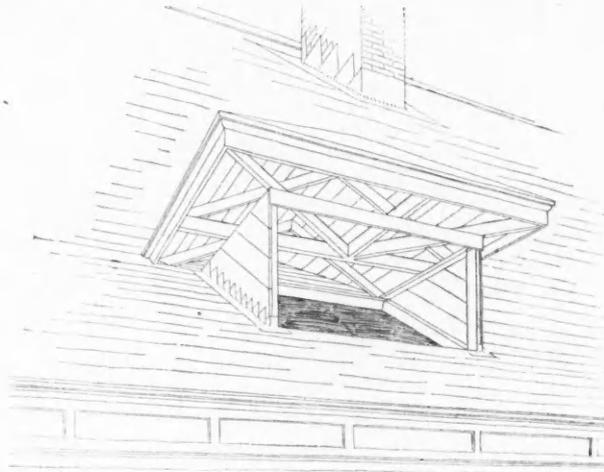
There is little doubt but that the wire nails with which the lath is driven fast will become loose where there is any shrinking of the studding. The wedge-shaped iron nails hold much better. Another difficulty is in places where very short pieces of lath have to be used, especially on external angles like the brackets in



STUDY IN LATHING FOR CEMENT PLASTERING

the sketch. Irregular surfaces of cement shrink and expand unequally in changes of temperature, cracking and drawing off the lath. In such places a piece of metal lath would be a sure remedy.

Sometimes the diagonal fitting of the lath will secure additional strength. This is especially serviceable for narrow jambs, as may be seen. Possibly in the future the mill will supply a solid board lath for



DORMER FRAMING

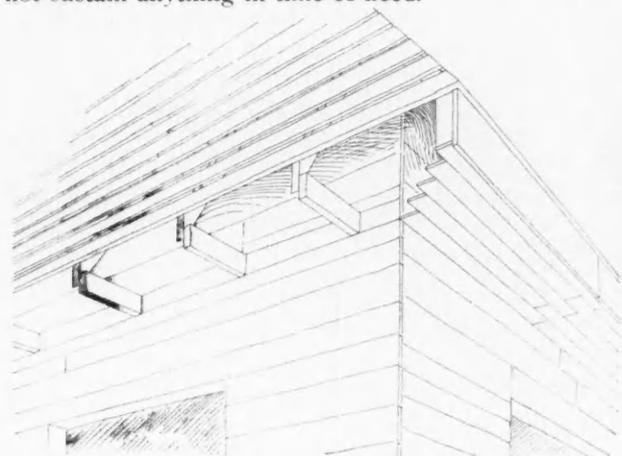
such small columns. It would be superior to the bits of sticks that now have to be used.

Another question arises from the fact that sheathing boards could be relied upon to strengthen the frame of the house while lathing with its brittle coat of cement is no help at all. Following the omission of joining from the framing one may well wonder how the modern house will stand the test of time.

The dormer window frame illustrated is well built. The opening through the roof is about the width of four rafters spaced 16 inches between centers. Instead of having a fascia of rough scantling around the ends of the rafters and ceiling joist, they are framed directly into the mill work. This framing should be strapped down to guard against its being wrenched by the wind.

This specimen of cornice framing in the next sketch looks altogether too hasty. The sheathing is first nailed on clear up to the rafter plate. Then the outlook is nailed through the corners at one end to the sheathing without support while the other end is nailed to the thinnest feather-edge of the rafter. Both holds are bound to become loose. The ends of timber

always, sooner or later, crack open and pull off from the nails. Subsequent work like the bed mold will not sustain anything in time of need.



CORNICE FRAMING

Timber must be placed against timber for strength and no reliance should be placed on nails for support.

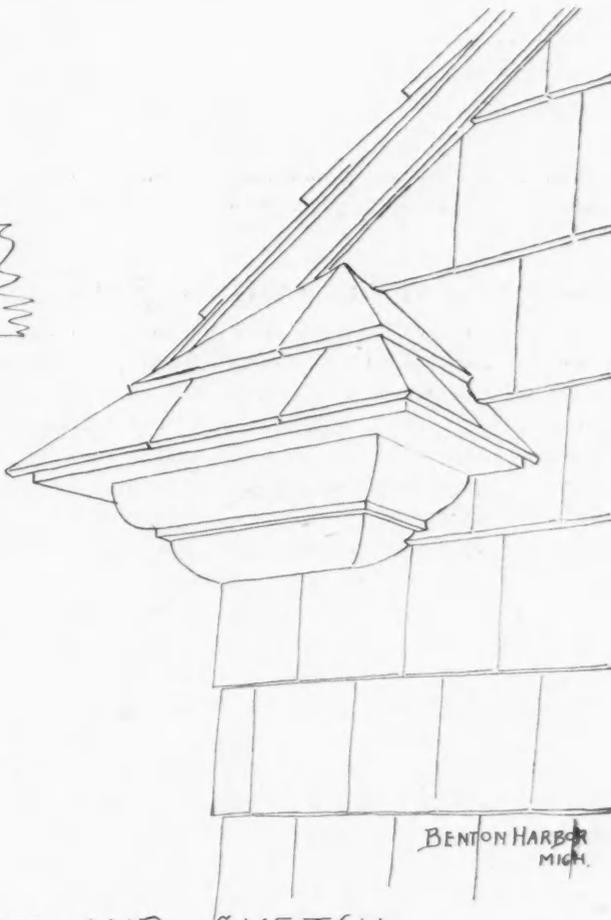
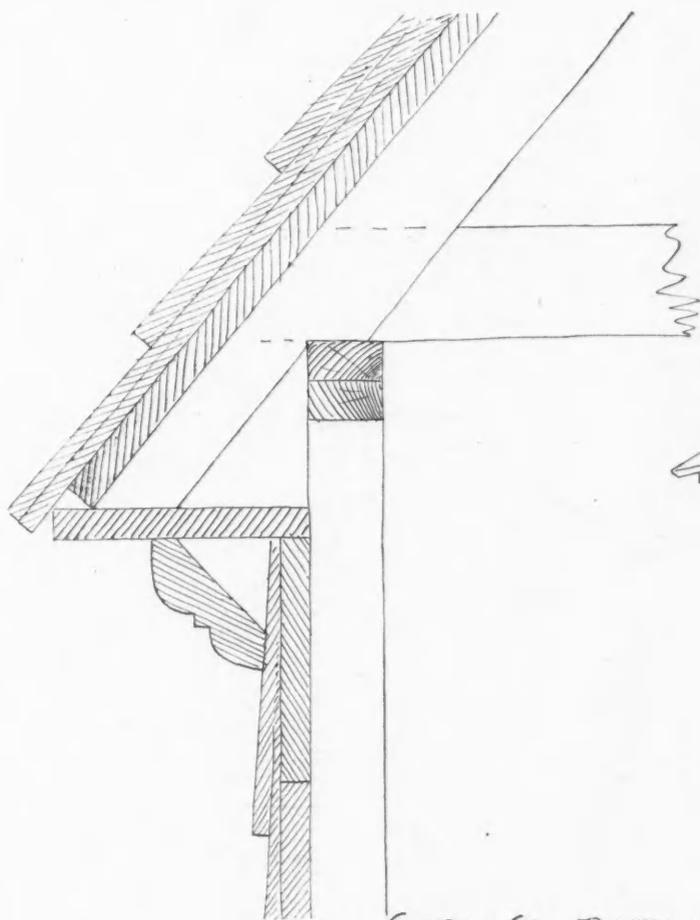
The cornice outlook should extend into the frame work and rest on top of the sheathing board, which will give it a firm, permanent bearing. This necessitates fitting short pieces of sheathing between the out-

not enough support for the outer ends. The idea was, evidently, to make a cornice that would look strong and heavy to the eye without designing a practical detail or applying enough labor to make it durable.

Houses tacked together in this careless manner can not even be repaired. When they begin to come to pieces they can not be touched without hastening their collapse. In a few years they help to make a slum district. The cause is not with those who occupy them, as people generally believe. It is the careless builder who is at fault.

The sketch of a porch showing rough framing and mill detail is good and carpenter-like. The dentals are especially suitable for wood work. Those made in imitation of stone work, overhang the supporting fillet and easily drop off when nails rust. Columns are best made to receive a jamb of screens, like this. Householders are giving more and more attention to occupying the outside of their houses as well as the inside.

In one of the sketches, that of the cornice return, the shingles were carefully fitted. The section shows the probable construction.



CORNICE DETAIL AND SKETCH.

looker. To slight seemingly trifling details such as this is ruinous.

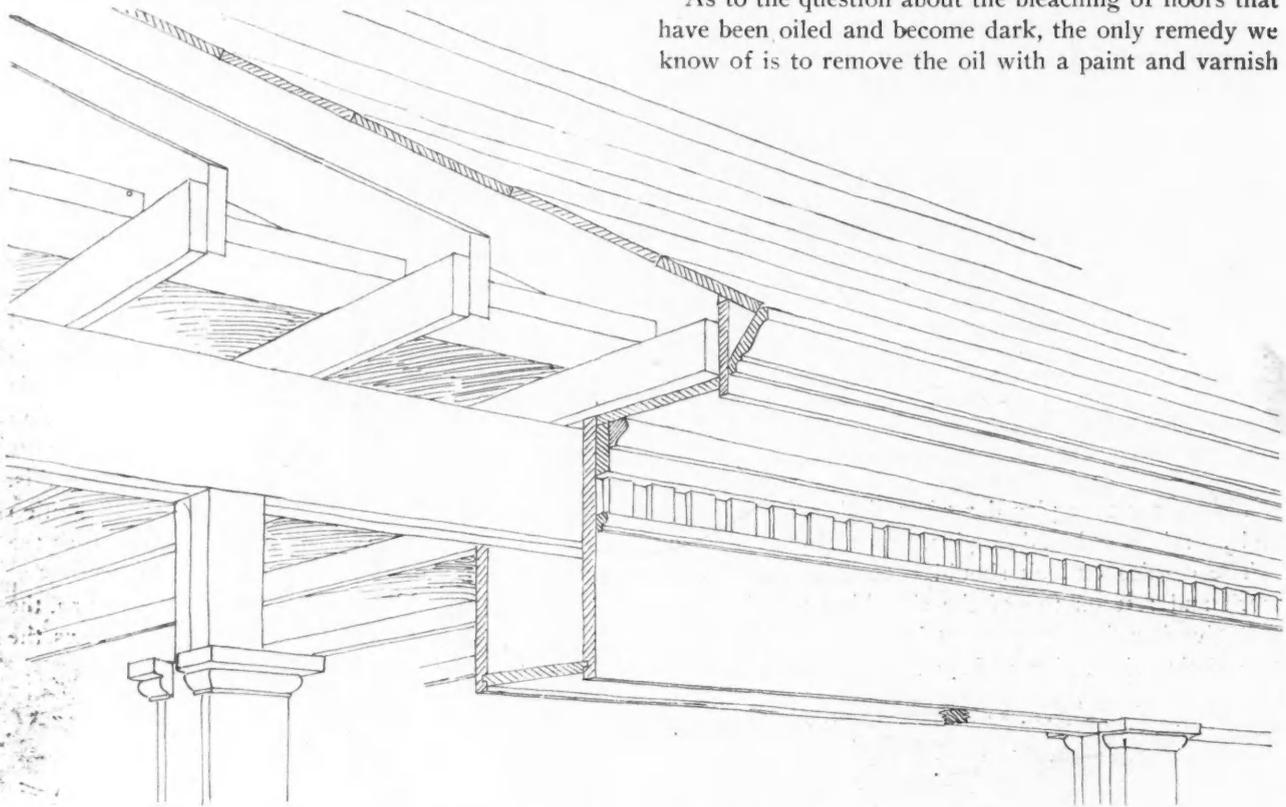
On such a large cornice as this the mill work is

This style of eaves was introduced a few years ago. Moldings were made with very little projection. There was considered to be some saving in lumber.

This was carried to such an extent that some houses of that sort look quite bald. A building needs some

white shellac varnish or repeated treatment with floor wax will not darken the wood.

As to the question about the bleaching of floors that have been oiled and become dark, the only remedy we know of is to remove the oil with a paint and varnish



PORCH GORNICE.

good projections, porches or balconies to make it look inviting. Such features suggest shelter and comfort.



#### Methods of Finishing Hardwood Floors

The extent to which hardwood floors are being used in dwelling houses and other buildings at the present day lends unusual interest to the methods of finishing them so as to give the most satisfactory results considering the purposes for which the rooms are to be used. A correspondent recently asking as to the best method for finishing oak, maple and other floors in the natural so that the wood will not darken, and if there is any way of bleaching hardwood floors that have been treated with linseed oil and become very dark with age, *The Painters' Magazine* suggested the following treatment:

Oak floors require a filler, if good smooth finish is desired in the natural, no matter what material is used. Maple does not require filling. For oak floors a good mineral paste filler and two light coats of grain alcohol shellac varnish, or in place of the latter, waxing frequently with a good floor wax will keep the floor from darkening. Ordinary floor varnishes or linseed oil will produce darkening. Mineral oils tend less to darkening of wood than linseed oil, but are not to be thought of for use in dwelling houses or public halls on floors, because of the tendency to soil the ladies' dresses. For maple floors three coats of grain alcohol

remover and then treat the wood with a strong concentrated solution of oxalic acid or by the use of bleaching powder. The use of the last named, however, is liable to be injurious to the health of the operator, and we would not recommend its use. The oxalic acid solution, while poisonous, is harmless when used with care.



#### Age of Progress

Pierre de Campe, who was calcimining the Bradley kitchen, was so excessively slow that his discouraged employers began to fear that the deliberate Frenchman meant to end his days under their roof.

"Do you think," asked Mrs. Bradley, desperately, "that you'll be done by five o'clock, so we can cook dinner?"

"Madame," replied Pierre, pausing to gesticulate with his brush, "maybe you have hear som' peop' say dat ris ees de age of progress. Oui, madame, eet ees de age of too much progress. Evairew'ere hon dose states of America dere ees too much 'urry, 'urry, 'urry. Evairew'ere eet ees 'Make 'aste, make 'aste!' Dere ees no rippose—no taimé for do notting good. Evairew'ere I am come wit' ma pail, ma brush, ma scaffold, eet ees not 'Pierre, how good you can do dose vork?' but 'Pierre, how queek you ees got t'rough?' Parbleu! Biffore a man ees get one leg een hees hoovair-hall some'bod' ees hask heem, 'Say, meester, how soon you go vay?'"—*Youth's Companion*.

## Planing Stuff Square

VALUABLE SUGGESTIONS AND SOME SOUND ADVICE FOR OUR YOUNGER SUBSCRIBERS WHO WANT TO IMPROVE THEIR HAND PLANING FORM

By W. D. Graves

THE question by Clarence H. Taylor, in the July AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, concerning square planing, is well calculated to turn an old timer into a current of volubility which the editor would feel obliged to dam (I near put a final "u" on that dam) with his blue pencil. Yet, old timer though I be, I will try to answer Mr. Taylor's question without undue volubility; though I must indulge in a word of praise for the young man who does not fear to ask questions.

Mr. Taylor will make a good mechanic, and there is nothing better in this world than a man who excels in his chosen calling. Generally speaking, the day of the hand workman is past, but the man who can, on occasion, do a good job with a hand plane, will be in demand as long as wood holds out.

If Mr. Taylor will find a man who knows how to handle a plane well, follow his advice as to how to hold the tool, and practice, *practice*, PRACTICE, he will soon be able to do the job satisfactorily—satisfactorily to others, but, I fondly hope, never quite satisfactorily to himself. One can be shown how so much better than he can be told how, that Mr. Taylor (and others like him—of whom I hope there are many) should take such instruction as I give only as supplementary to that of some one who can show him. Nor should he follow too closely any one mechanic, but learn from as many as possible.

While the matter of handling a plane efficiently is very largely a matter of practice, success depends almost wholly on the beginning of that practice rightly. There are thousands of workmen who are unable to perform properly some simple mechanical operations because, in their beginning, they acquired some habit in holding the tool which rendered its dexterous manipulation impossible to them. It is the custom to say that such men did not have the knack born in them; but the fact is that they either did not have, or did not accept and assimilate, proper advice at the beginning. Thus they acquired habits which they have been unable to unlearn.

Though each workman has some slight personal mannerisms in the way of grasping tools which are immaterial, some of those which may seem immaterial to the novice are quite important. If the young man observes any mannerisms which seem immaterial or improper to him he should notice particularly whether they are common to the *best* workmen he knows. If they are he may justly conclude that they are worth copying. If they are mere personal peculiarities, or if they are common only to inferior workmen, he should avoid them; for they will surely cause him much trouble if copied. He is sure to acquire personal peculiarities more than enough if he copies only the

best workmen to the best of his knowledge and ability.

In using the hand plane one should first acquire the habit of holding it parallel with the line of work—pointing straight ahead. The habit of holding it diagonally is easily acquired, very hard to get rid of, and renders good work impossible. The grip on the handle should not be nervously rigid, as a child grips a pen; but firm and steady, yet flexible. If the forward end of the plane needs guidance, as it will in the case of the larger ones, let the grip of the left hand be springy rather than vise-like. There is the same difference between the grip of a novice and that of an expert, on the handles of a plane, that there is between the grips of novice and expert on the handles of a bicycle.

I was taught, before the day of iron planes, that the position of the left hand should be with the thumb on top, while the fingers rested against and extended down the left side. In the case of molding tools, which were in common use in those days, the thumb extended across the top and bent over the right top corner. This gave a much more flexible and easily controlled grip than grasping the end or top of the plane with the whole hand. With the iron planes of today just this grip is impracticable; but the handle on the front end tends to allow sufficient elasticity to a whole hand grip. The main idea is to so grasp the tool that, when it is in the upright, or medium position, the muscles shall be unstrained and capable of allowing the tool to tilt either way with equal ease. This may seem contradictory when tilting is not desired; but it is not so. It simply is that, when the tool is in the correct position, the muscles are in the position of least strain. Any special exertion to keep the plane from tilting *from* one is almost sure to lead to its tilting *toward* one, and vice versa.

One must be careful, too, not to push the plane beyond the limit of easy reach. Such action is almost sure to cause the plane to tilt; and, if the piece of work is more than three or four feet long, one must walk along with the tool, rather than attempt to reach too far. Have the bench low enough—not too low—and stand near enough to the work, so that your position will be easy and unstrained. As with all skilled work, the beginner is very apt to grip too tightly, and do bad work through excessive nerve tension; so a repeated word of caution against it will not be misplaced. Doing the work easily and without undue strain is not laziness, but competency.

The rest is a matter of practice. Use the try-square frequently—that is what a *try*-square is for—and you will eventually get so that you can pretty nearly tell by the feel when your work is square. Don't hurry. The best work is incompatible with much speed. One

who desires to do good hand work must give little thought to speed till he has acquired *well-grounded* confidence in his ability—not the confidence of youth, but that of one who has “produced the goods” time after time. While mechanics may be born rather than made, that which is born in one is mainly the ability and patience to take pains. The plodder who takes pride in doing good work, without thought of the time consumed in doing it, is apt, eventually, to beat the “Heaven born mechanic,” both in quality and speed. Seek instruction from all sources, but follow only that which seems good. Don’t originate new methods till you thoroughly understand the old. By that time you probably won’t see the need of any change—but so much the better.

It has been presumed that you know how to keep your plane in order, which is the first requisite, and perhaps the whole of my advice might well have been given in a single sentence. Learn how to hold your plane; then practice, and practice only will do the rest. This is really all there is to it; but I trust that you will look leniently on the verbosity of age—I know that you would if you could realize the size of the flood gates of recollection opened by the question.



### Bevels and Cuts in Circular Work

To find the shape of roof boards for a conical tower, multiply the diameter by 3.1416 (or roughly,  $3 \frac{1}{7}$ ) and reduce to inches. Dividing this by the width of the larger end of the board will give the required number of boards. The length is found same as for

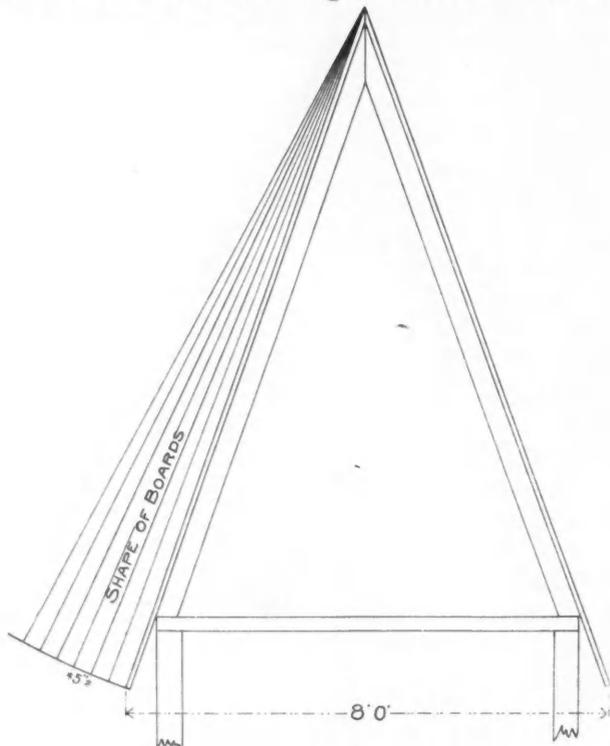


FIG. 1.

the common rafter. Thus a roof of the dimensions as shown in Fig. 1 with boards 5 inches wide would take 60  $\frac{1}{3}$  boards.

The same principle may be applied in tank building by multiplying the diameter of the tank by 3.1416, which gives the circumference in feet. Reducing to inches and dividing by the desired width of the stave, gives the number required. If the tank is to be smaller at the top, find the circumference in inches as above and divide by the number of staves as found in the larger diameter; this will give the required width of stave at top.

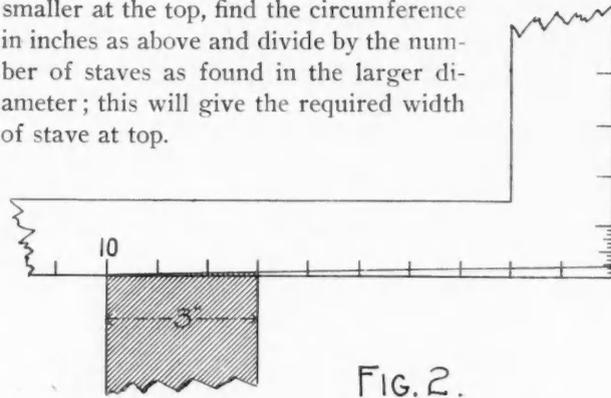


FIG. 2.

The bevel of the stave may be found as shown in Fig. 2. For example, take a tank 20 feet in diameter and to have staves 5 inches wide. The radius is therefore 10 feet, which should be on the tongue, as shown in the diagram; then take half as many twelfths of an inch on the blade as the stave is inches in width. A line from 10 on the tongue, passing at  $2\frac{1}{2}$  twelfths on the blade gives the bevel. Now, setting off the full thickness of the stave, as shown, the required bevel is obtained. The stave may be any thickness desired.



### To Prevent Screen Door From Sagging

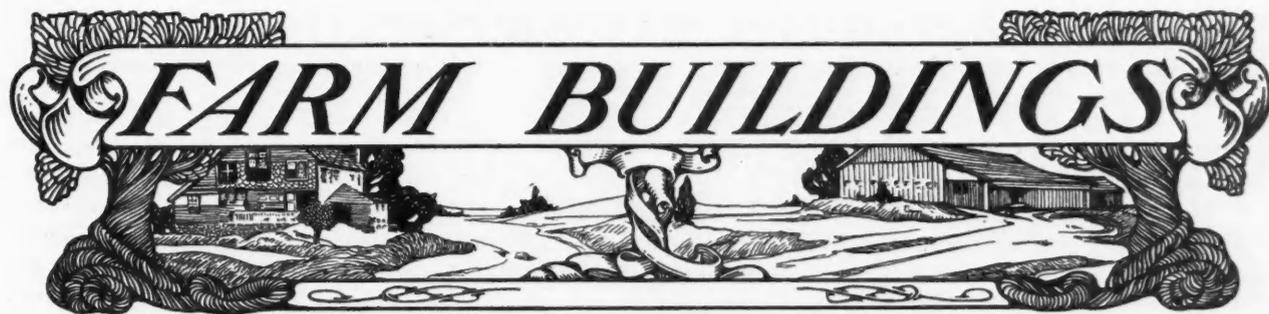
The average screen door does not have the necessary braces to keep the frame square, especially if a heavy spring or weight is used for closing the door. The simple application of a wire brace held in place by two round-headed wood screws will often be satisfactory, says *Popular Mechanics*, to prevent a sag in a light frame door.

Common picture frame wire can be used, but heavy wire is much better. It will be necessary to twist a loop on each end of the picture frame wire for the screws. Place a  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch wedge under the corner of the door opposite the hinges and set the screw at this corner first; raise the wire to the position halfway up on the inside stile and set the other screw. When the wedge is removed, the door will swing free with plenty of clearance.



### Turning Oil From a Square Can

A great many oil cans in which oil is sold are square with the opening at the side or corner. The contents of such a can may be poured out without wasting a drop, if the can is held properly with the opening at the top. This will permit the can to be tipped so the oil will flow without a gurgle. If the can is held so the opening will be at the lower corner the oil will try to follow down the outside of the can and cause considerable waste.



## Square Barn for Horses and Cattle.

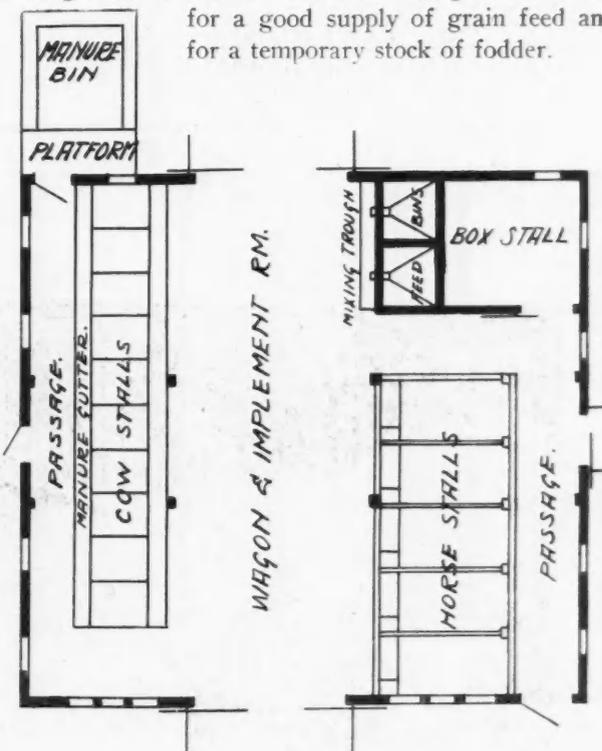
PLANS FOR A CONVENIENTLY ARRANGED BARN OF SMALL SIZE INTENDED TO STABLE ECONOMICALLY FIVE HORSES AND TEN COWS

THE accompanying plans show a barn of a design that will appeal to many farmers as being just about what they want. It is intended for a "horse barn," that is, the barn adjacent to the house in which are stabled the family and work horses, and in some cases the small herd of cows.

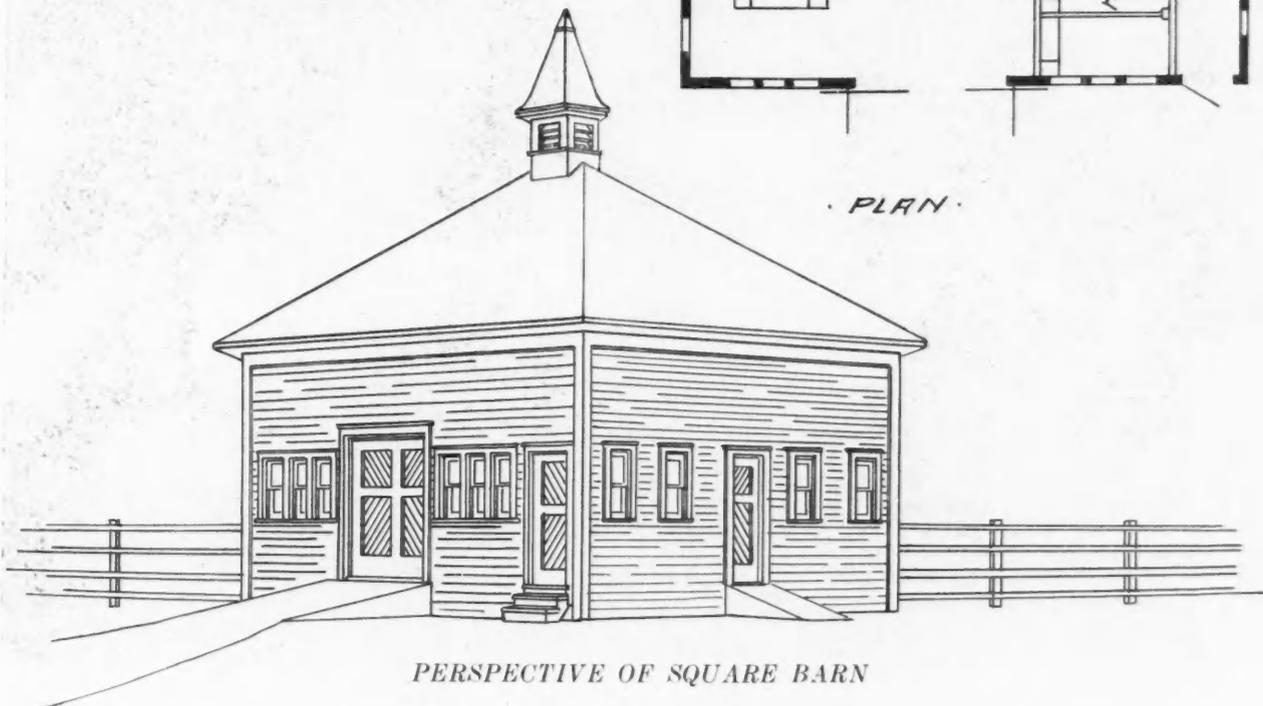
This barn seems desirable for such a use as it is neat and trim in appearance and would not detract from the general looks of things about the house. Moreover, it is an exceedingly practical and economical design. The outline is square, and there is nothing about the simple hip roof to be expensive. True, there are more windows in this than in the ordinary horse barn, but they will be found to be a very good investment because of the added comfort in taking care of the stock and the added ease with which the stable can be kept in a sanitary condition. This last is doubly important, too, wherever dairy cows are to be kept.

The floor plan sketch gives a good idea of the general arrangement of this barn. There is a driveway

through the middle from front to back, with the stalls arranged on each side. There is storage room above for a good supply of grain feed and for a temporary stock of fodder.



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PERSPECTIVE OF SQUARE BARN

## Contractors Use Automobiles

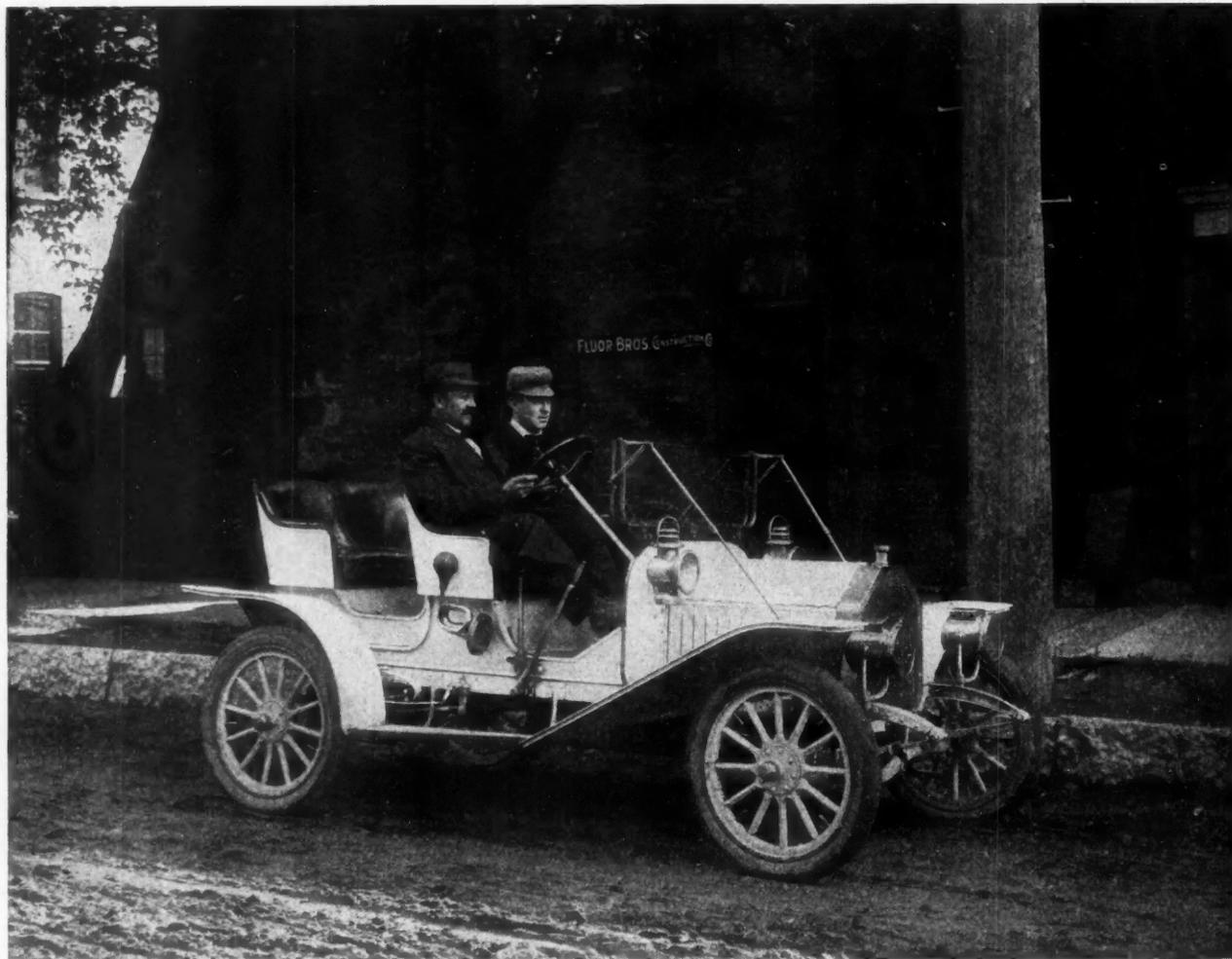
LEADING CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS OF OSHKOSH, WIS., MAKE THEIR DAILY VISITS TO THEIR SEVERAL JOBS IN MOTOR CARS

**T**IME was when the live contractor with any amount of work on his hands had to hustle to get around to all the jobs in a single day. With a dozen buildings in as many parts of the town to look after it was no holiday excursion to get out at the first break of day, no easy thing to be pleasant and affable at breakfast, and there were no thoughts of a picnic when on a frosty morning he had to get around to twelve places at once. Before the ground could be covered there was danger that some cheerful idiot might take a piece of interior trim to use as a scaffold brace at that house in the second ward, or the men at the church job might be loafing.

The automobile has solved the problem for the contractor. In his little runabout he can cover all his jobs early in the day without trouble. Of course, in many cases, a horse is used to get around town, but in Oshkosh, Wis., the city we are to tell you about, all the contractors, or at least the leading ones, use automobiles.

At the outset it will interest you to know that each one of these men is a member of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER'S big family of subscribers. And we might remark that what is true of the contractors of Oshkosh, Wis., is true also of other progressive towns where subscribers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER have adopted modern methods and conveniences.

Oshkosh, Wis., where these contractors flit about the streets daily in their machines, is a thriving manufacturing city with well paved thoroughfares. It is growing steadily and the contractors are making things hum. August Pitz has a car that leads a double life. It is a five-passenger car and on Sundays Mr. Pitz takes his family to church in it or on excursions into the country. Then on Monday morning he removes the touring car body and replaces it with a truck body, which he uses during the week for the delivery of sash, doors, moldings and other materials he requires at his various jobs. If the family wants



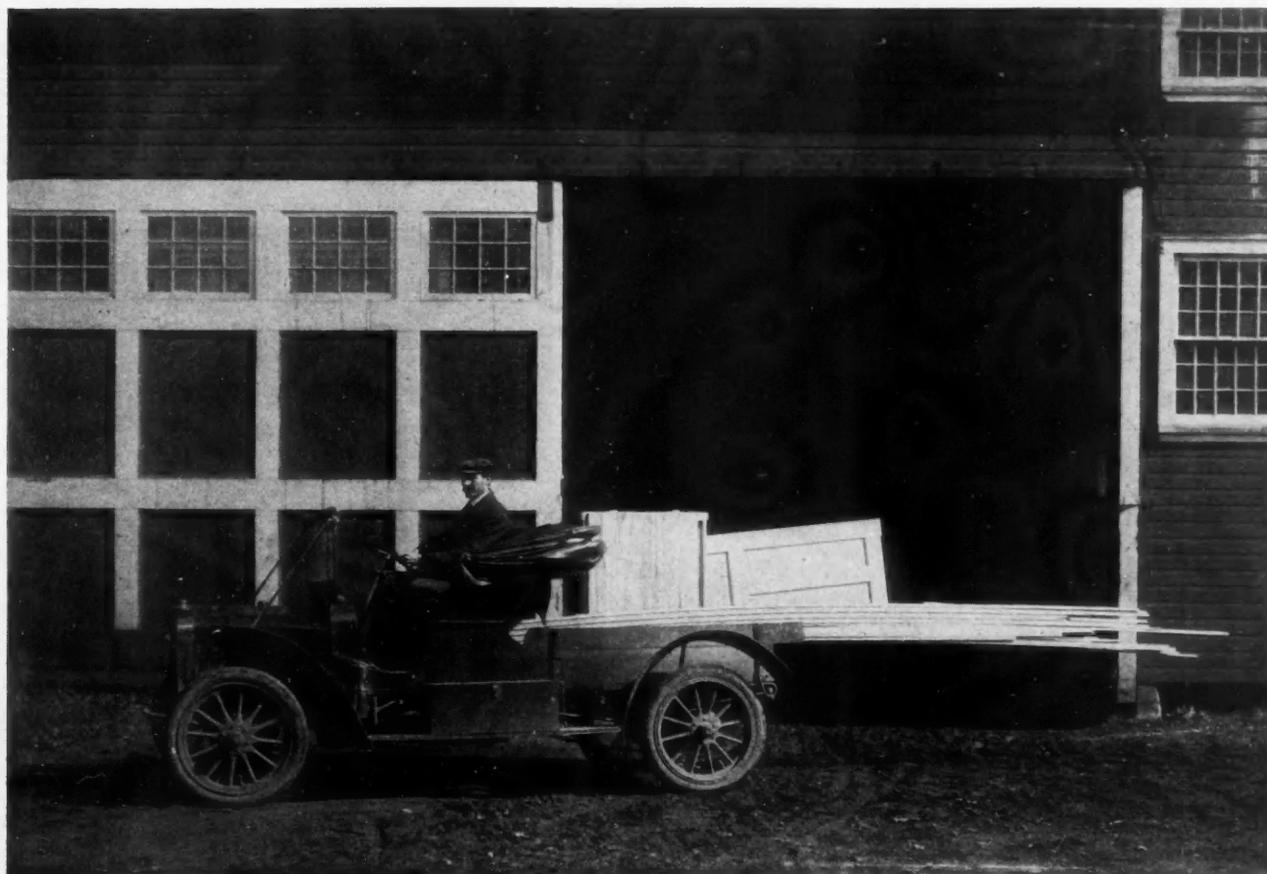
J. S. Fluor and His Brother Walter in Their Car

the car at any time during the week it is an easy matter to take off the truck body and put on the regular one. The car behaves well at all times, whether racing around the fine residence streets in its good clothes or hauling materials in its work dress. It has good habits and seldom goes out nights.

"I don't see how I ever got along without this automobile," Mr. Pitz said. "I save time and get around

the accident. Mr. Fluor jumped out, picked up the lifeless body of the dog and was examining it when the farmer came up.

"Now this is too bad," Mr. Fluor said. "Here you were going hunting and I have killed your dog. I assure you I am sorry. Here is \$5." And he handed the farmer a \$5 bill, which he took. "What were you going to shoot, ducks?"



August Pitz in His Auto Truck

everywhere with the best possible speed." And away he went at a fast clip with a load of sash and other materials that would have made a team tug and pull.

And then there is J. S. Fluor, of the Fluor Construction Company. Mr. Fluor used to get around town as fast as anyone, but since he bought his automobile he can make the rounds in an hour or two, get back to his office and have time to read the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER through before dinner. He is a very busy man and the busier he gets the broader grows his smile.

They tell a story about Mr. Fluor in Oshkosh that shows the good heart of the man. Not long after he bought his car he was speeding along a road near Lake Winnebago when he saw a farmer coming up the road carrying a gun over his shoulder. A small dog was a little in advance of the farmer. The dog got in the way of the Fluor automobile and was run over, sad to relate, despite the effort of the contractor to avoid

"Not exactly," the farmer said. "I was on my way down to the lake to shoot that old dog. She had the mange."

On the right front wheel of Mr. Fluor's automobile there is a slight abrasion of the paint on one of the spokes, made by the dog's teeth when the machine passed over the poor critter. The truth of the story seems to be unassailable. Mr. Fluor has an automobile, there is a cratch on one of the spokes of the right front wheel, and there is such a lake as Lake Winnebago. So there you are.

C. R. Meyer and his son, Edward H. Meyer, of the stone mason contracting firm of C. R. Meyer and Son, have each an automobile, and they are enthusiastic motorists. They are great travelers, and although they have not accomplished as much as Cook or Peary, they have gone quite a distance east. Neither one would be without his runabout a minute. Mr. Meyer the elder said:

"This little car of mine beats the old nag. I used to love my horse, but, Oh, you auto," and he patted the machine's magneto.

Another of the leading contractors who gets around to his jobs in a machine is J. T. Raycraft, whom everybody around Oshkosh knows. Not content with an every-day machine, Mr. Raycraft has also a big touring car which dazzles the eyes of the people on Sundays. But during the week days Mr. Raycraft and his runabout are inseparable companions. "You see," he said, "I'm here at this building now, and all I have to do is to step into this little car, sit down in a soft seat, push a lever or two, and I'm at the next place almost while I am telling you about it. Going to put this picture in the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, eh? Gee, let me get my hat on straight before you snay that camera—there."

Oshkosh was selected as the typical town in which the leading contractors, subscribers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, use automobiles in their daily rounds. The city is only like hundreds of other places in which the successful contractors, readers of this magazine, are also owners of automobiles. The

only inference is, according to the logicians, if you are a contractor and want an automobile, you must first be a subscriber to this magazine. But, seriously, the life of the contractor is not what it used to be. He has quick transportation facilities and thereby is able to give quicker execution to his work.

One needs no better evidence of the general prosperity among contractors than the fact that they are buyers of automobiles. And it is the better class of machines that they are buying, too. They are men of discriminating taste, and as a rule know a good machine when they see it. In many towns and cities auto trucks are coming into use for the delivery of the heavier materials. The users of them find that quicker deliveries can be made by them than by using horses. There is economy of time and no breakdowns of a serious character where auto trucks are employed. In the matter of hill climbing, too, the auto truck will go easily up a hill with a heavy load that a team could not negotiate at all.

While for general purposes the contractor may not feel inclined to invest for a delivery machine alone, the touring car that can be adapted for the purpose



J. T. Raycraft in His Runabout



Father and Son Each an Automobile Owner. C. R. Meyer on the Right; His Son, E. H., on the Left

seems to solve the problem, as in the case of Mr. Pitz at Oshkosh.

#### Does Steel Imbedded in Concrete Rust?

The effect of concrete in preventing the rusting of steel imbedded in it has been the subject of so much controversy that the light thrown on the matter by the electrolytic theory of corrosion is instructive. According to this theory, iron can pass into solution only when an equivalent amount of hydrogen passes from the ionic to the gaseous state, and if the hydrogen concentration is reduced the rusting of the iron will be diminished. This is achieved by adding a strong alkali to the water which is in contact with the steel. According to Dr. W. H. Walker, the caustic lime given off by Portland cement in setting and hardening has this action, and iron or steel imbedded in concrete will not rust so long as this caustic lime is present. Unfortunately it is soluble in water, and it is therefore desirable to make the concrete containing steel reinforcement very dense since by so doing the protective properties of the concrete will be maintained for the longest time. If the caustic lime is once dissolved out of the concrete, the metal will surely rust, according to Dr. Walker. This theory is completely in accord with experience, which has shown that dense concrete will protect steel, even when it was rusted before being imbedded in the material, while in porous concrete steel will sometimes rust rapidly.

#### New Secretary Elected

The board of directors of the Northwestern Cement Products Association unanimously elected A. E. Pfiffner, St. Paul, Minn., as secretary to succeed J. C. Van Doorn, Minneapolis, resigned. A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Van Doorn for the good work he has done in behalf of the association, and for the persistent efforts that he made during the past year in its interests. Everyone regrets that press of business made it impossible for him to continue in the office of secretary; still the association is extremely fortunate in Mr. Pfiffner's election to the office—he is extremely well adapted to take up the duties dropped by Mr. Van Doorn, as he is an old-time concrete machinery man and has a vital interest in its success. Mr. Pfiffner was born in Grundy county, Iowa, thirty-nine years ago. After graduating from high school he entered the banking business, and later embarked in the real estate business. Five years ago, he, together with his father, bought an interest in the Cement Tile Machinery Company, later they disposed of their holding and organized the St. Paul Cement Machinery Company. Mr. Pfiffner has a host of warm friends who feel confident that the secretaryship of the Northwestern Cement Products Association is in the right hands for its continuous growth and prosperity.

## Modern Water Supply Systems

THE USE OF INDIVIDUAL PRESSURE SYSTEMS TO SOLVE THE WATER SUPPLY PROBLEM IN SMALL TOWNS AND RURAL DISTRICTS

By B. Muhlhauser

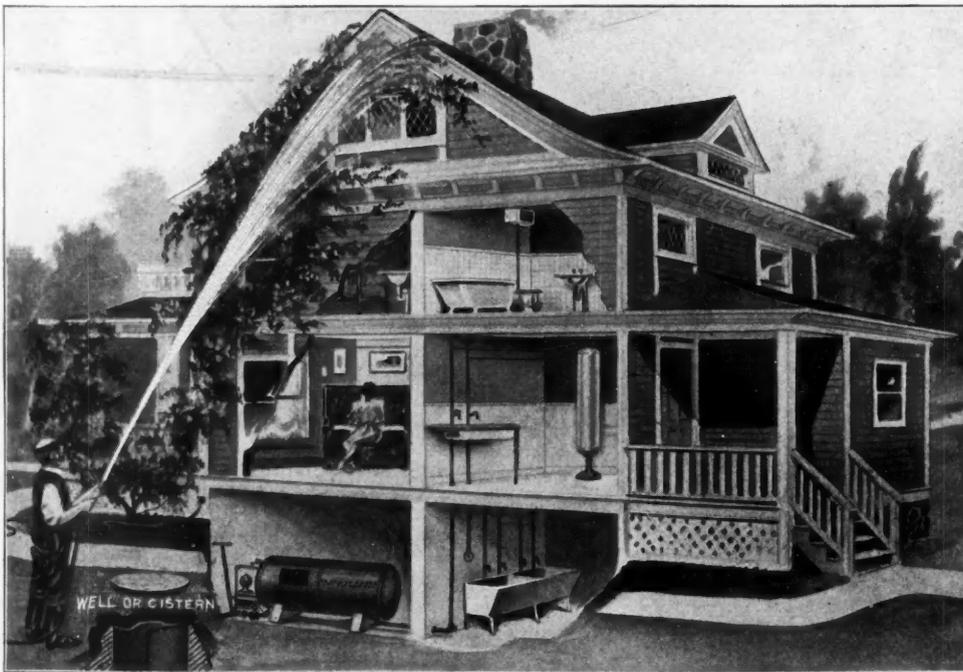
**D**URING the last few years great strides have been made in the methods of storing and delivering water under pressure. It is a notable fact that previous to the last eight or ten years, practically little attention had been paid to the necessity of offering more modern devices for pumping and storing water. Every reader of *AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER* knows about elevated and attic tanks. Elevated tanks have been used for centuries. They were never considered particularly satisfactory, but they were generally used because no better way was known. They called for the simple process of pumping water up in order to get it down again. As children we were taught that "what goes up must come

warm and stagnant under the rays of the hot summer sun. In the winter, it will freeze. Elevated tanks have been known to collapse; and a leaky elevated tank is not an uncommon sight. The attic tank is a constant menace in any household. This great weight of water may crack the plastering; and if the tank leaks—as it is pretty sure to do some time, the house will be flooded. Then, the pressure from an attic tank is not enough to insure sanitary water supply service.

What is the improvement? It is the pneumatic tank. This tank is buried in the ground, or located in the cellar. Water from it is delivered by air pressure. Water from any source is pumped into the

pneumatic tank. The tank is air tight; and as you pump water into it, you compress the air. This compressed air forces the water out again to the various connections. The tank is made of steel plates. It rests on solid ground where it can do no damage. It is thoroughly protected from extremes in temperature—it cannot leak, freeze, overflow or collapse.

Of course, it will be readily seen that this pneumatic tank must be perfect. If it leaks air, the air cushion will be lost and there will be no air pressure. That is why it is advisable to



Lay-out of Modern Water Supply System Installed in Residence

down"; and, since the time of Adam that theory has been applied by people who wanted any amount of water delivered to certain fixed places.

So, while remarkable improvements were being made in devices for lighting, for heating, and in other fields, practically nothing was done to provide better water supply service. That's peculiar, too, when you stop to think about it, because of the three conveniences—light, heat and water—water is the most important. Light is only required at night and heat is only necessary during the cold weather. Water is required day and night, year in and year out, during all seasons.

Elevated and attic tanks have never been entirely satisfactory. The elevated tank is exposed to all extremes in weather conditions. Water is apt to become

guard against cheap pneumatic tanks. The maker of a reliable air pressure tank tests it to a pressure of 125 pounds and guarantees it to be good for a working pressure of 75 pounds.

Along with the perfection of the pneumatic tank came many improvements in pumping machinery. It was found that many pumps which were all right for elevated tanks were hardly suited to air pressure service. Pumps which will pump air as well as water were necessary. This is because a little air must be pumped into the tank occasionally, to replace absorption. The originators of the pneumatic tank were quick to see the necessity for building a new line of pumping machinery to be used with their water supply systems, and remarkable strides have been made in this direction.

Speaking of this new pumping machinery for pneumatic tank service, you can put this down as a definite fact: While any and every pumping outfit is not good for pneumatic service, a pump which is built for the exacting requirements of air pressure service will give good service under any conditions.

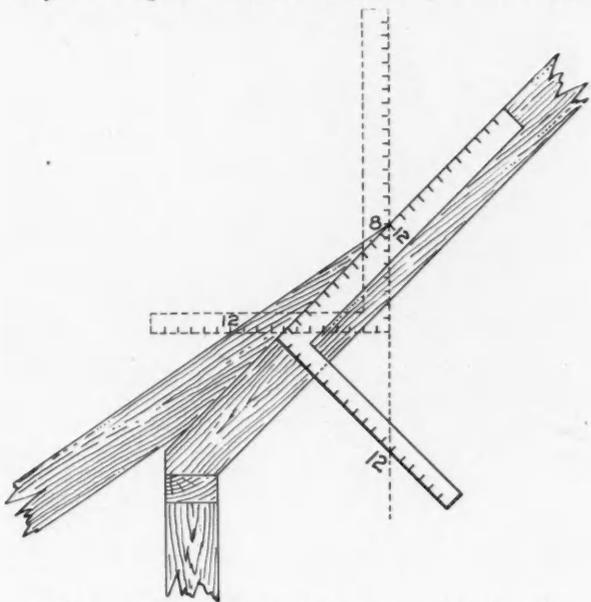
The satisfaction given by these water systems has not only developed a new business, but has stimulated other lines. When people put in these high-grade water supply plants, they naturally call for plumbing fixtures and sewage disposal outfits. Hot water and steam heating plants are easily possible with pneumatic tank outfits; and so the heating business has been benefited.

You can depend on an air pressure water supply system to be a vast improvement over the old-fashioned methods. But, be very careful to buy from a reliable firm which can show a good record. No one wants to be experimented upon. But you will be pretty safe in putting your water supply problem up to any firm which has furnished several thousand successful water systems.

**Where Two Roofs Join**

Here is a little problem that often comes up in roof framing. It is the cut for joining one pitch to that of another, as shown in the diagram, and is as follows:

Lay off the plumb cut for the lesser pitch and to the



bevel thus obtained, apply the square with the figures that give the pitch it joins. In the illustration is shown a 1/3 pitch joining a 1/2 pitch; 12 to 8 give the plumb cut for the 1/3 pitch and 12 and 12 the same for the 1/2 pitch. Therefore 12 and 12 applied to the cut of 12 and 8 will give the required angle.

The approximate length of a belt to run over two pulleys may be obtained by adding the diameters of the two pulleys and multiplying by 1.5625, and adding the result to twice the distance between the centers of the shaft.

**Valuable Table for Estimators**

The following table of short cuts are in most frequent use for "taking off" figures and abstracts. To the estimator, who is making up a bid, any abbreviation of articles on quantity is an aid:

"	Inches.	L. W.	Limewhite.
'	Feet.	M. G.	Make good.
1 ce	Once.	Mold.	Molded.
2 ce	Twice.	No.	Number.
3 ce	Thrice.	O. E. S.	One edged shot.
O	1" diameter.	O. G.	Ogee.
A. B.	As before.	O. S.	One side.
1 B.	1 brick.	P.	Prime.
Bd. & Pt.	Bed and point.	P. C.	Prime cost.
B. & J.	Bed and joint.	P. F.	Plain face.
B. S.	Both sides.	P. F. & R.	Part fill and ram.
B. W. G.	Birmingham wire gauge.	P. M.	Purpose made.
C. I.	Cast Iron.	Pl. Cor.	Plaster cornice.
C. and P.	Cut and pin.	Pt. Cmt.	Portland cement.
Ch.	Chimney.	R.	Render.
Cir.	Circular.	R. S.	Render and set.
Cmt.	Cement.	R. F. & R.	Return fill and ram.
D. H.	Double hung.	R. F. & S.	Render float and set.
D. P. C.	Damp-proof course.	R. C.	Rough cutting.
Ddt.	Deduct.	R. I.	Rolled iron.
Dia.	Diameter.	R. W. P.	Rainwater pipe.
Dist.	Distemper.	R. O. & P.	Rake out and point.
Ex.	Excavator.	Reb.	Rebated.
E. O.	Extra only.	Rel. Arch.	Relieving arch.
F.	Flattig.	Ro.	Rough.
F. C.	Fair cut.	Ro. Sk.	Rough Sunk.
F. and C.	Fill and cart away.	Sk.	Sunk.
F. E.	Feather edge.	S. D.	Screw down.
F. & R.	Fill and ram.	S. L.	Short length.
Foots.	Footings.	Seg.	Segmental.
Frd.	Framed.	S.	Shewback.
G.	Grain.	Sq.	Square.
Gald.	Galvanized.	Sq. Q.	Squint quoin.
H. B. S.	Herring-bone strutting.	St.	Stop.
H. P.	High pressure.	Sup.	Superficial.
K.	Knot.	V.	Varnish.
Lab.	Labor.	W. B.	Wood brick.
L. P.	Lath and plaster.	W. I.	Wrought iron.
L. P. & S.	Lath, Plaster and Set.	W. O. S.	Wrought one side.
L. P. F. & S.	Lath and plaster float and set.	Wrot.	Wrought.
		X Ton	Cross tongue.

**Meaning What?**

Hostess: "It's beginning to rain. You'll get wet. I think you'd better stay to dinner."

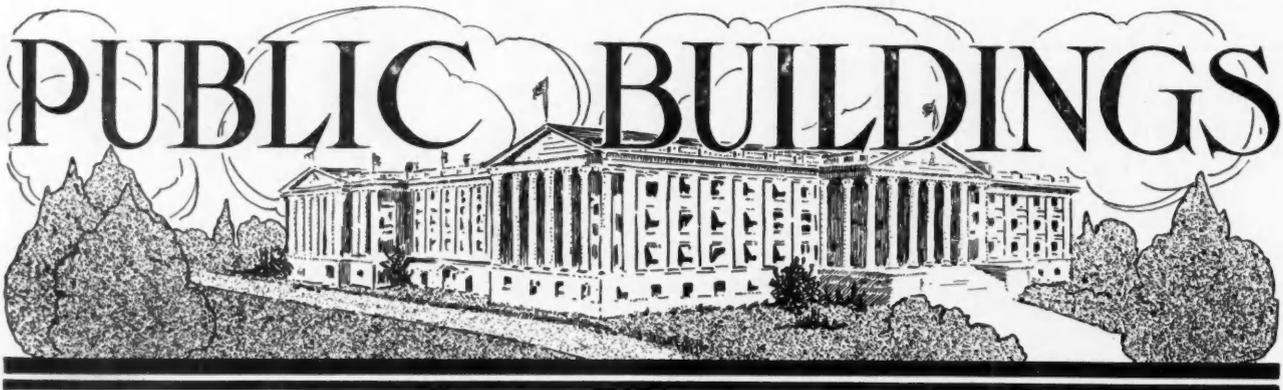
Departing Guest: "Oh, dear, no! It's not raining so badly as all that."

**No Excuse**

An evangelist was exhorting his hearers to flee from the wrath to come. "I warn you," he thundered, "that there will be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth!"

At this moment an old woman in the gallery stood up. "Sir," she shouted, "I have no teeth."

"Madam," returned the evangelist, severely, "teeth will be provided."—*Success.*



## Design for a Small Church

PERSPECTIVE AND PLAN OF AN ATTRACTIVE WELL PLANNED CATHOLIC CHURCH BUILDING OF SMALL SIZE

**W**E ARE showing this month a church design of much dignity and character. It is arranged along the approved lines for a Catholic church, and is of a very desirable size for a small parish. G. W. Ashby, the architect, speaks of this design as a revival of the Italian Romanesque. It is

benefited by a prize contest that will show many of the great possibilities in the field of building construction, to which the concrete block can be adapted, the Century Cement Machine Company of Rochester N. Y., manufacturers of Hercules Concrete Block Machines, have inaugurated a novel method of dem-



Small Catholic Church of Dignified and Attractive Design

considered an especially appropriate design for a Catholic church.

The material of construction is to be red brick for the walls, trimmings of Bedford stone and roof of slate.



### Prizes for Cement Block Pictures

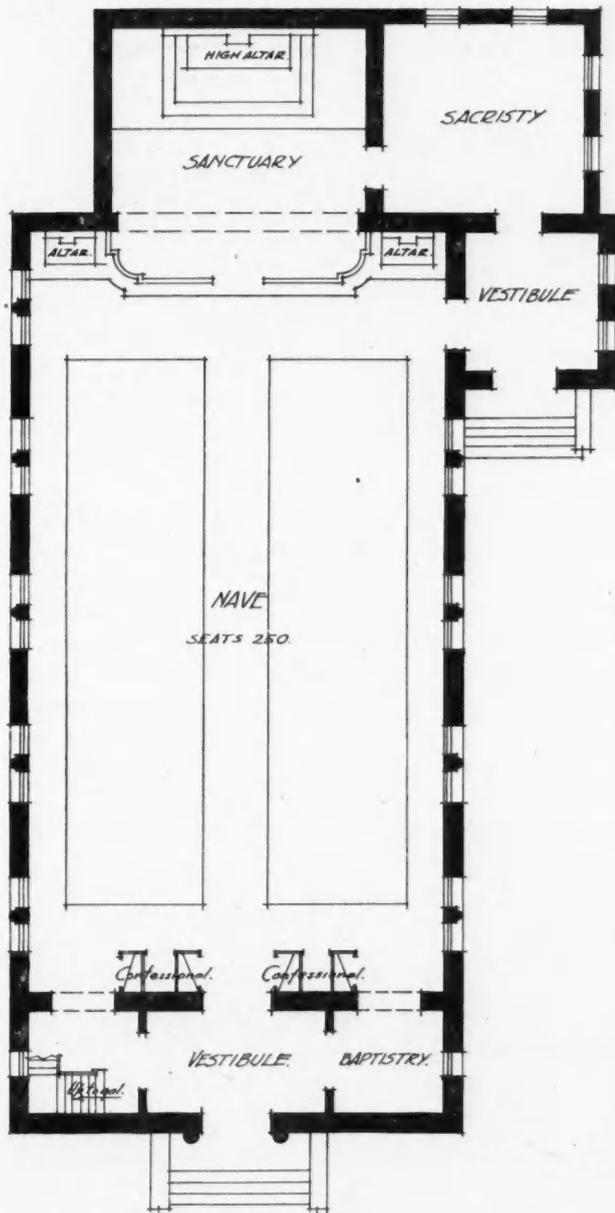
Believing that the building industry will be greatly

onstrating the possibilities of this great building material.

The rapid and wonderful growth of this industry has resulted in the erection of many inferior types of buildings, due to the use of either poor materials, unreliable machinery, lack of experience, or other similar causes.

This is offset, however, by so many examples of

high-class concrete block construction that they deserve to be illustrated and exhibited publicly, and in this manner help to offset any uncertainty that might exist in the minds of those unfamiliar with the artistic, practical and commercial possibilities of this



Main Floor Plan of Church

great building material. Any existing prejudice is rapidly dying out, due in a great measure to the efforts of wide-awake, progressive builders, whose work speaks for itself and demonstrates what can be done with the concrete block when properly made and handled.

The endeavor to bring before the world illustrations of these finer types of building construction made possible by the use of Hercules machines and the desire to upbuild and further the interests of the industry in general prompts the Century Cement Machine Company to offer cash prizes to the five best examples of concrete block construction made by use of Hercules machines, as follows:

First prize.....	\$100.00 cash
Second prize.....	75.00 cash
Third prize.....	50.00 cash
Fourth prize.....	25.00 cash
Fifth prize.....	10.00 cash

These prizes will be awarded at the meeting of the National Association of Cement Users, to be held in Chicago, February 18th to 26th, inclusive. Prizes will be awarded by a committee composed of one representative from each of the following trade publications:

AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, *CementWorld*, *Concrete*, *Rock Products*, *Cement Age*, *Concrete Age*, *Cement Era*.

These representatives will in turn select a leading architect, also a well-known and competent builder familiar with this type of building construction, together with a representative of one leading Portland cement manufacturing company, all of whom will be added to the committee, and the decision of the majority will determine the winners.

This contest will be open to all users of Hercules Concrete Block Machines and will cover all types of building construction, such as residences, churches, factories, etc. Photographs of residences should be accompanied with floor plans and the cost should also be given wherever possible. All photographs should be 8 by 10 inches in size.

This contest is open to all operators of Hercules machines, so if you have constructed a building of concrete blocks, or if the blocks you have made have been used in the construction of a building that you feel proud of, send a photograph at once with floor plans, cost and your name and address to:

The Century Cement Machine Company, 279-289 St. Paul Street, Rochester, N. Y.

Each entry will be promptly acknowledged by the company and due notice of awards will be given at the convention.

The efforts of the Century Cement Machine Company to further the interests of the concrete block industry in general deserves the hearty co-operation of all interested in this field.

### Impediments

A commuter hired a Swedish carpenter to repair some blinds on the outside of his house. During the day the commuter's wife looked after things, and once or twice came out to see if the man was getting on all right.

"Is there anything you need, Mr. Swenson?" she asked, on her second trip.

The carpenter gulped once or twice, but made no reply. The lady repeated the question.

Again a gulp and no answer.

"Why don't you answer me, sir?" said the lady, indignantly.

The Swede turned and looked down at her gravely.

"My mout is full of screws," he said. "I can not speag undil I svaller some!"—*New York Times*.

# A Modern Lumber Yard Building

CONSTRUCTION AND LAY-OUT OF A WELL-PLANNED, CONVENIENTLY ARRANGED BUILDING FOR LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIAL YARD

**W**E HAVE received the accompanying plans from one of our subscribers, Chas. S. Hoyland, contractor, of Winfield, Kan.; and we want to present them here for the benefit of the others

of our "Big Family"—especially those who have occasion to handle and take care of lumber and building material stocks, and also those who are called upon to plan or construct buildings of this kind.

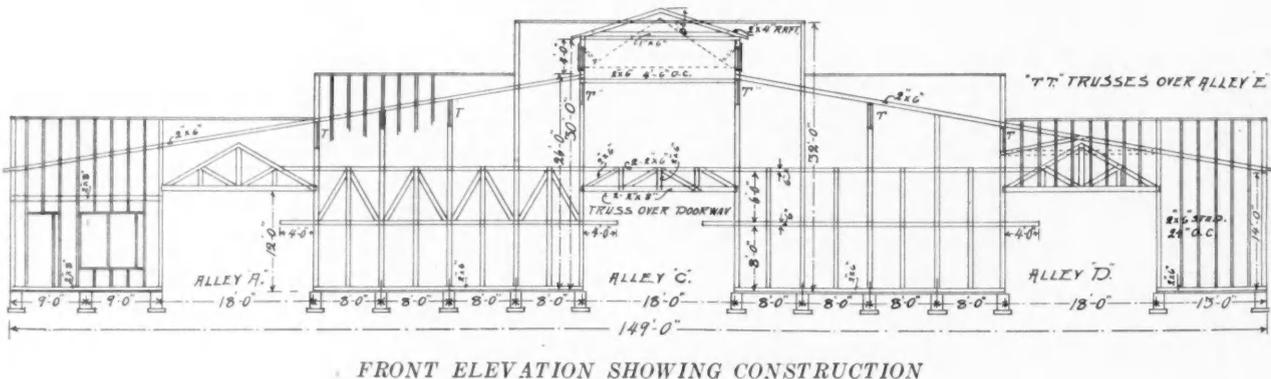
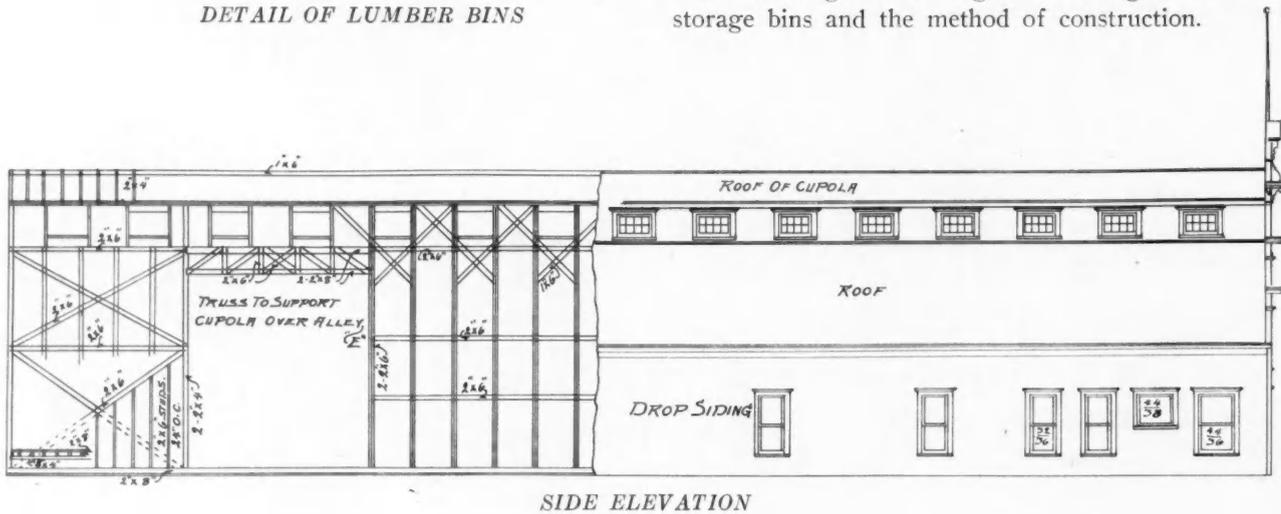
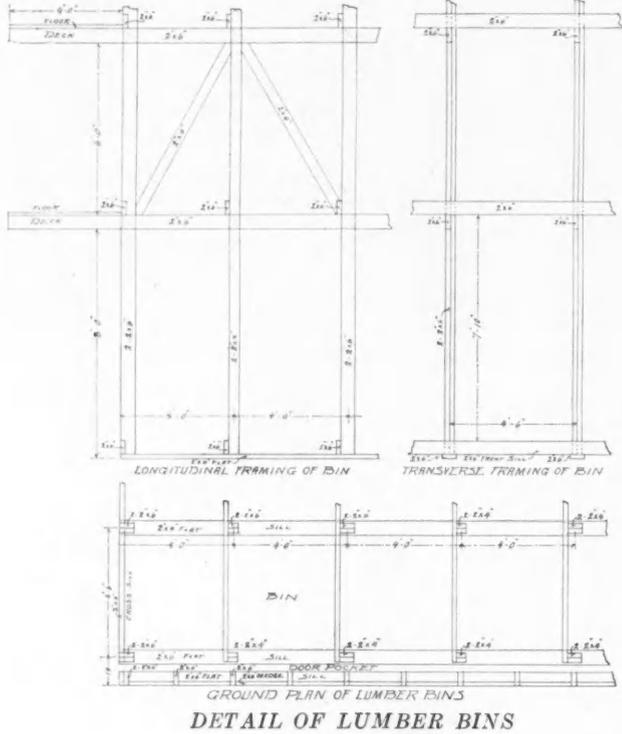
This building was built for Mr. A. H. Doane at Winfield, Kan., by Mr. Hoyland, after plans prepared by himself. It is stated that the building was built with very little deviation from the plans and has proved to be an entire success. The bins for finish lumber, which are closed up tight and keep the stock in the very best of condition, have been especially satisfactory.

The owner, Mr. A. H. Doane, a lumberman of many years' experience, says that if he were to build another building of this class, he would not know how to please himself any better than to copy this one.

The cost of the building at the time of its erection in 1904 was about \$4,500, and it houses a \$30,000 stock of building material of all kinds in the very best of shape, every article of which is accessible and readily loaded upon wagons. This stock includes a general lumber stock, sash and doors, lime, cement, brick, etc.

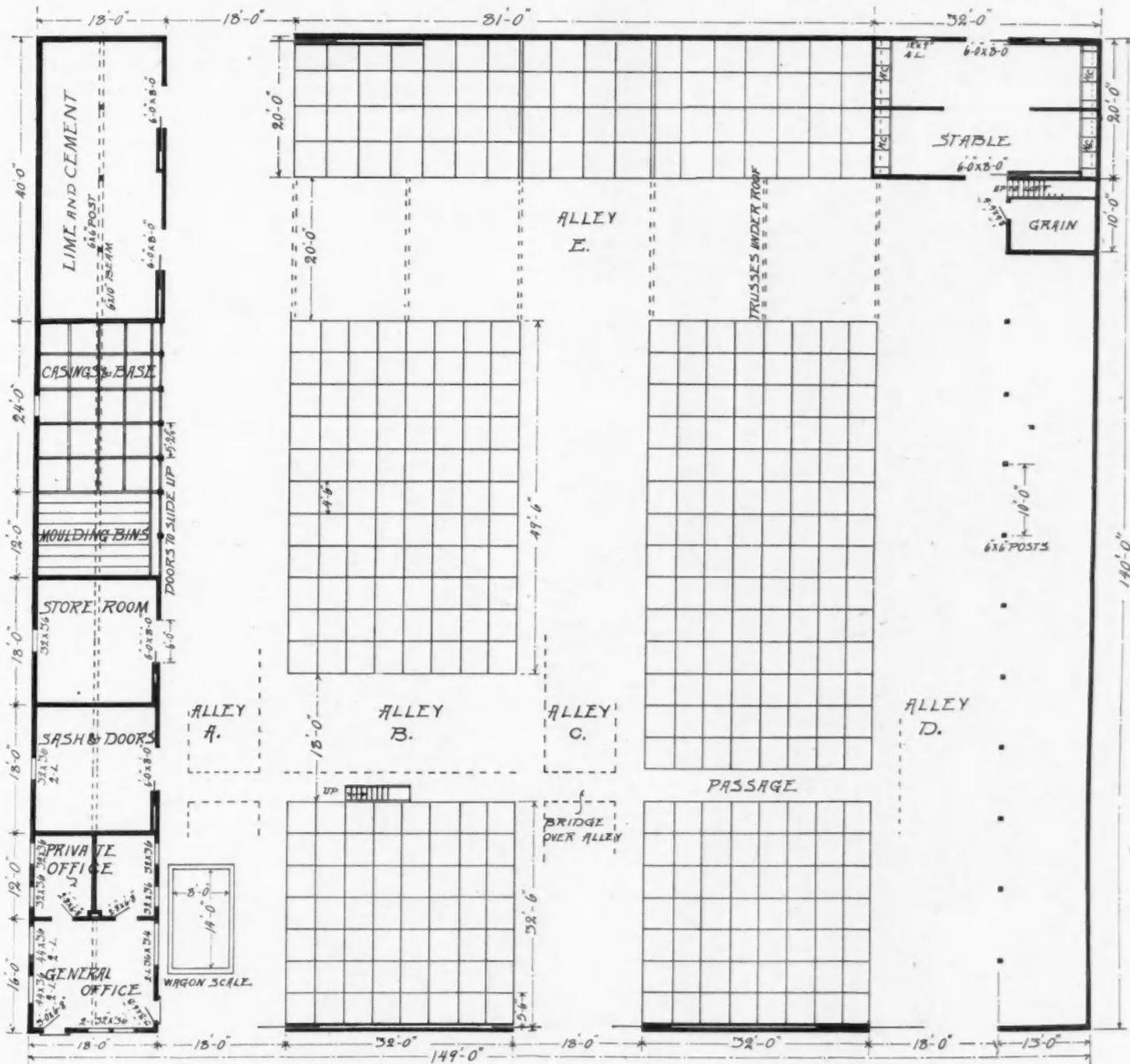
The photo shows the usual appearance of things around this yard and is a good indication of the business that is done here.

The drawings show the general arrangement of the storage bins and the method of construction.





Fine Lumber Yard Building at Winfield, Kansas, Designed and Built by Chas. S. Hoyland



Ground Plan, Lumber and Building Material Warehouse



## How to Make Hat Rack and Umbrella Stand

TWO VALUABLE PIECES OF HALL FURNITURE VERY EASILY MADE IN THE HOME WORKSHOP—COMPLETE DIRECTIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND FINISH

**T**WO pieces suitable for the hall are described this month—an umbrella stand and a coat and hat rack with mirror. Both of these pieces are the handiwork of an amateur and were made during the spare moments as a means of recreation as well as profit.

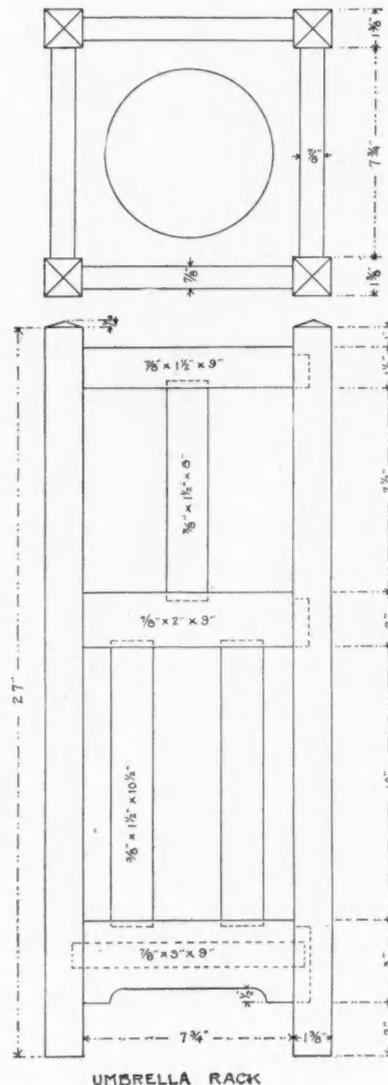
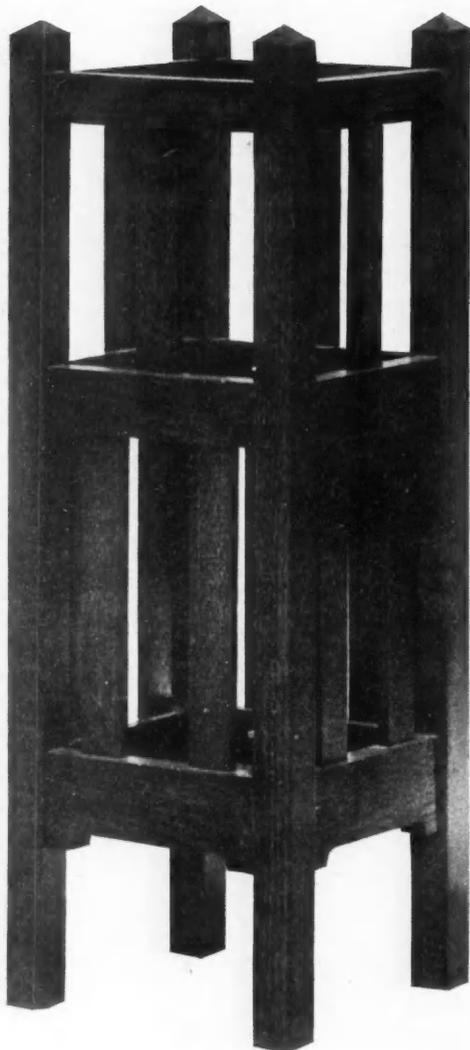
The umbrella stand has a shallow metal pan to catch and hold the drip from wet umbrellas. There will be needed for it the following stock.

Order the lumber quarter-sawed white oak sanded on two or four surfaces according to specifications for planing.

### MILL BILL FOR UMBRELLA STAND.

	Thick	Wide	Long	
4 posts	1 3/8	1 3/8	28	S-4-S
4 rails	7/8	3	9	S-4-S
4 rails	7/8	2	9	S-4-S
4 rails	7/8	2	9	S-4-S
4 rails	7/8	1 1/2	9	S-4-S
8 slats	3/8	1 1/2	10 1/2	S-4-S
4 slats	3/8	1 1/2	8	S-4-S
1 bottom board	7/8	9	9	S-2-S
2 cleats	3/4	3/4	9	S-4-S

Begin on the posts by squaring one end of each.



UMBRELLA RACK

Place the four pieces on the bench side by side, even the squared ends and measure and mark off the desired length to the slope—twenty-six and three-quarters inches. Shape the top ends as indicated in the drawing.

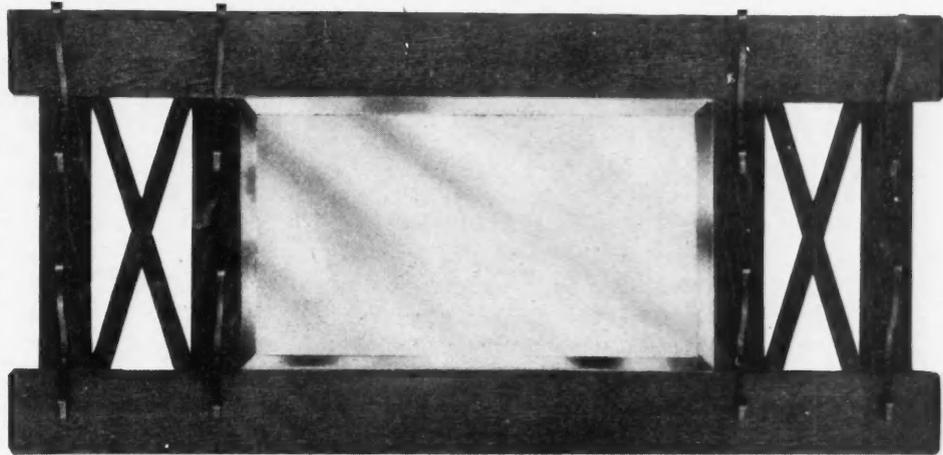
Set the posts up in the position they are to occupy relative to one another and mark the approximate locations of the intended mortises. In so doing place the face sides of the posts "in." Next lay them flat on the bench, even the ends and measure off and square lines across the four pieces to indicate the ends of the mortises. After having gauged for the sides of these mortises, the mortises may be cut to depth.

Next lay out and cut the tenons on the cross-rails. It will be appropriate to make these tenons each five-eighths of an inch long with seven and three-quarters inches between the shoulders. The thickness of the tenons may be three-eighths of an inch and the width what is left after shouldering the top edge of each piece one-quarter of an inch. There is no special need for shouldering the lower edge because of its location. Cut the tenons to size.

Next lay out the mortises in the rails that are to receive the ends of the slats. Where the slats are to be fitted between rails whose position is definitely

inches wide by one-quarter of an inch deep, spaced as shown in the drawing.

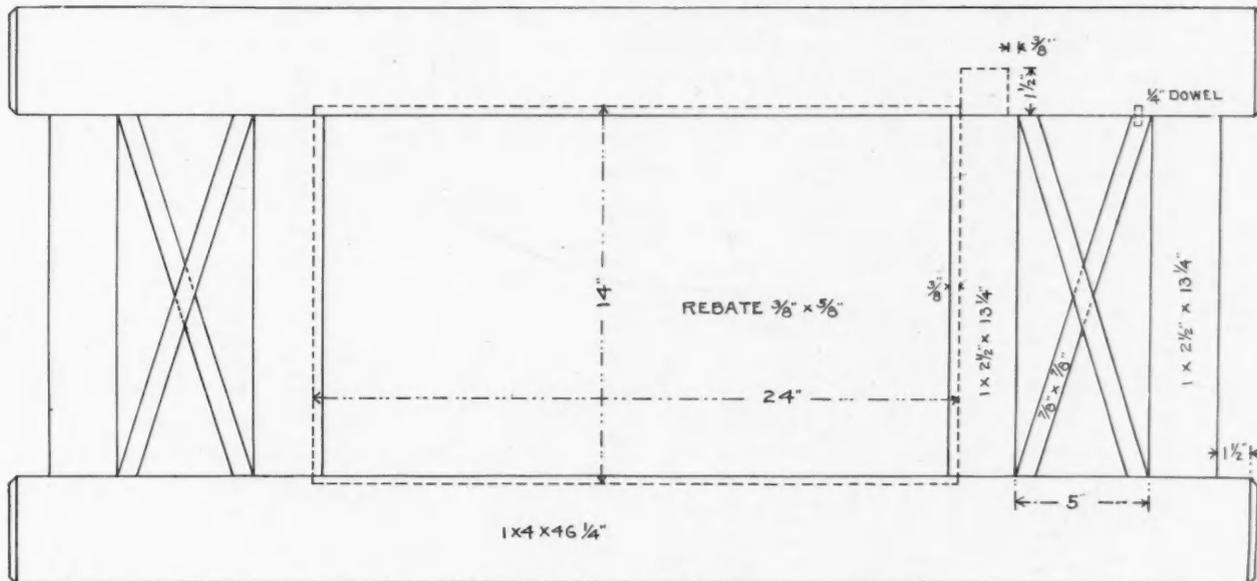
Thoroughly sandpaper and clean these parts; put good hot glue on the ends of the tenons and some on



Beautiful Hall Rack with Mirror Suited to Home Construction

the sides of the mortises and put the two sides of the frame together. Allow this to stand over night, then put together the remaining parts.

Square up and fit the bottom piece to its place. Fasten the two cleats to this piece with screws; then lay out and cut the circular opening which is to receive the drip pan. The size of the opening will depend upon the size of the pan—better purchase the pan first. A suitable pan can be purchased at any place where they have kitchen utensils. It may be of any metal, preferably copper. If necessary to use a pan of tin, it should be given several coats of good



HAT RACK AND MIRROR

located, as are these, it is easier and just as satisfactory not to shoulder the slat ends but to "let in" the whole end. The mortise cutting must be carefully done, of course, so that the sides may fit up to the slat surfaces snugly. In this case the mortise will want to be three-eighths thick by one and one-half

paint. Black will look well with the brown finish of the wood. Place the bottom as indicated in the drawing and fasten the cleats to the side rails.

**How to Make the Coat and Hat Rack**

Order for this piece of furniture the following bill of quarter-sawn white oak. As specified, the pieces

will be of exact size as to width and thickness and should be planed and sandpapered at the mill to those sizes. If no mill is convenient, add sufficient stock, one-quarter of an inch to the width and one-eighth of an inch to the thickness, if the stock is wholly rough. The present specifications allow sufficient length for squaring the ends of the various pieces.

MILL BILL FOR COAT AND HAT RACK.

	Thick	Wide	Long	
2 pieces	1	4	51½	S-4-S
4 pieces	1	2½	17	S-4-S
4 pieces	¾	¾	17	S-4-S

The drawing specifies a glass fourteen by twenty-four inches. There are two ways of setting this glass. It may be set in a rebate made in the edges of the surrounding frame as shown in the drawing. Another way and an easier one, because it saves the rabbeting, is to make the frame inside just the size of the glass, using a small egg-and-dart molding securely nailed to the edges to form the rebate. Small brads should be used for this purpose and the heads puttied over with a putty colored to match the color of the finish. If the second method is used the rails will be three-quarters of an inch longer than the other way. In the stock bill these pieces are ordered long enough for either way.

Begin with the long rails first. Square them to length. Bevel the ends one-quarter of an inch. Next place them side by side on the bench and measure off and square lines across to indicate the ends of the mortises for the tenons of the stiles which enter.

Now measure off and square lines around the stiles for the tenons. Place the pieces on the bench, even the ends and mark across the edges of all at once, then separate the pieces and continue the lines entirely around. Gauge for width and thickness of tenon and then saw them accurately to line.

Rabbet the edges of those pieces which are to receive the glass. Thoroughly clean and put these parts together dry. While in this condition lay off the diagonal pieces by placing them in position and marking their length and slope. Fit them together in a similar manner and dowel the ends. Now glue up the various parts, using glue on the sides of the mortises as well as the tenons and put the whole frame in clamps.

The hooks are to be placed as shown in the photograph. The mirror is not to be set until the finish has been put on the wood. This is a stock size of glass and can be bought in beveled or plain plate. It is to be set in the usual manner, a thin cushion of putty being paced between the glass and the rabbeted part of the edge. The back of the mirror should be covered first with a layer of paper then thin boards fastened to the rebate to prevent the silvering being marred.

A good finish for these pieces is what is known as bog oak. It is very dark in tone, the field and quarterings showing through in a shade of yellowish green. Apply one coat of bog oak water stain and allow it

time to dry. Sand this lightly with 00 sandpaper then apply a second coat of stain diluted about one-half with water. Put on this a thin coat of shellac, sand lightly again and apply a coat of black filler according to the directions on the can. If the pores of the wood were not well filled on the first application of filler put on a second in the same way. Sand this lightly and put on a coat of orange shellac. Again sand lightly and apply two or three coats of some good varnish. Rub the first coats with hair cloth and the last with pulverized pumice stone and crude oil or raw linseed oil. This gives a finish known as egg-shell gloss. If dull finish is wanted substitute water for oil in the last rubbing. For a polished finish the last coat should be rubbed first with pulverized pumice stone and water then with pulverized rotten stone and water.



### Origin of the Rod as a Brickwork Measure

The *Builders' Journal* contains the following interesting note:

A correspondent in "Notes and Queries" asked: "When was the rod, which he assumed to be a land measure, first used for brickwork?" and the following week, in the *Builders' Journal*, the retort courteous was made that possibly things might be reversed, and the question put: "When was the rod as a brick measure adapted to land?"

Referring to this, Mr. Harry Hems, of Exeter, makes the following interesting observations:

"The origin of the rod, pole, or perch, as a lineal and superficial measure has been traced to the rod, pole, or goad used to urge and direct a team of oxen pulling a plough. So it came about it was used as a convenient and handy land measure in feudal times by the lords in allotting plots of land for agricultural purposes to the villans and others. One rod wide and forty long built up a quarter of an acre. The furlong—or four poles wide, and the same depth, i. e., forty poles, one acre—was a convenient length for a furrow before turning the plough. Of course, these lengths somewhat varied in different parts of the country where soils and agriculture varied, but gradually the slight variations grew less, and finally the present accepted statutory acre was evolved. Gunter's chain of 66 feet (ten square chains to the acre) was invented by the Rev. Edmund Gunter (1581-1626). He was a professor of astronomy at Gresham College, London, and ingeniously adapted it to facilitate decimal calculations in land measurements.

"The use of the rod—in superficial measurements of brickwork—and lineally in hedges, ditches, and fences, followed as a convenient existing measure. A square rod is 272¼ superficial feet."

An old authority gives the length of the original rod—the ox-goad—as varying from 16 feet to 20 feet.

From the above it would appear the rod was originally a land measure.

## Methods of Cleaning Brick Buildings

SOME EFFECTIVE METHODS USED ABROAD FOR THIS WORK—HOW ACID AND SOAP MAY BE SUCCESSFULLY EMPLOYED—DIRECTIONS FOR USING

**A** GOOD means of cleaning brick buildings is by the use of hydrochloric acid, and provided the acid is not too strong this method may be quite satisfactory. For many purposes, acetic acid is more satisfactory than hydrochloric acid, as it is equally effective in its action on the dirt, without having so corrosive an effect on the bricks. It is more expensive, but owing to its non-corrosive action, buildings on which it is used remain clean longer than when the stronger "spirits of salt" is employed.

The amount of acid and water mixture required will vary somewhat with the care and skill with which it is applied, but will average about 4 square yards per gallon of mixture, with ordinary care, and costing for acid less than a cent a square yard, with acetic acid, and half to one-third of this amount for common hydrochloric acid.

When acid is used to clean the face of a building, the latter should first be washed over with clean water to remove all the dirt which can be taken off by this means. The surface is next treated with the weak acid—a hard brush, but not one of metal, being used—and finally the building is washed over with clean water, to remove any material which has been loosened, but not actually removed by the acid. This final washing may, if desired, be carried out by means of a powerful jet of water, care being taken to work from top of the building downwards, so as to prevent all accumulation of unsightly spots caused by the "creeping" of the dirt, which always occurs when the building is played on irregularly with a hose.

Soft soap has been tried with much success, especially when it has been dissolved in 36 to 40 times its weight of warm water (1 pound of soap in 4 gallons of water) and used whilst still warm. Apparently the most efficient cleaning is obtained by treating the building with clean water, then with the soap solution applied with a hard brush, and finally washing down with water just as was recommended above when acid is used.

Soap has little or no action on clean brickwork or stone, and its effect on soot and similar matters of a greasy nature is far more intense than that of any acid, so that when it is used, buildings of either red or buff bricks rapidly regain their original color, unless the cleaning process has been so long delayed that nothing can ever remove the dirt from the bricks. Care must be taken to wash off thoroughly all the soap by means of a thorough playing with a hose or by the more expensive washing over with clean water, or discoloration will be produced. In actual cost, the use of soft soap in the manner described works out at practically the same as for acid.

In buildings where the dirt is more of a dusty than a sooty character, it will not usually be necessary to

employ any special cleansing material, as a powerful spray of water—such as that from a fire-engine—will usually clean the building sufficiently, providing that the surface of the bricks is reasonably close and dense.

In cleaning terra-cotta work, special care must be taken that the surface is not destroyed, as much of the modern terra cotta has a finished or dense face but an open or porous body, and if once the face is removed it will be almost impossible to keep the building clean.

For buildings which are disfigured by a whitish encrustation, technically known as efflorescence or "scum," the use of very weak hydrochloric acid is almost essential, though even this does not always prove a complete remedy. The causes of "scum" are so numerous and complicated that it is difficult to provide any single means of removing this unsightly material.

Scum is chiefly caused by soluble salts in the bricks, which are dissolved when the latter become wet with rain, and as the water dries out it carries the salts to the surface of the bricks and there deposits them. If the scum were only thicker, it would be best to remove it by scraping the walls gently, taking care not to scratch the bricks, but this is not usually practicable, and the least harmful method is to brush the defective surface with a moderately hard dry brush, when the bricks are thoroughly dry. Should this not prove effectual after several times, the surface may be washed over with a little weak acid, and then with water, the disadvantage of this latter method being that it may cause the formation of a larger proportion of soluble salts (through the action of the acid on some of the constituents of the brick), and the remedy may thus prove to be worse than the disease. The same, in a lesser degree, is true of repeated scrubbing of the wall with a wet brush and water.

The greater part of the scum which disfigures so many buildings is really due to faulty material or to the use of impure water in manufacture, and only in very few instances is it due to the absorption of soluble salts from careless storage of the finished bricks.



### Carpenter's Long Fall

While Joseph Bealeu, a carpenter employed on the erection of a tower for one of the attractions for the exhibition at Sherbrooke, Man., was on the topmost part of the tower, the board upon which he was standing broke and he fell a distance of 91 feet into a tank containing only two feet of water. He was practically uninjured—*Winnipeg Tribune*.



Ignorance may mean bliss in some jobs; but in the paint business it more often means blisters.



### Heavy Timber Barn Framing

To the Editor: McGregor, Iowa.  
I herewith send you photo of a full frame barn built this season. The dimensions of this barn are 36 by 80 feet, with 18-foot posts. The basement is 8 feet in the clear. The sills are 8 by 8 on wall; center crown sills, 8 by 10; posts, 8 by 8; girts, 4 by 6; plates, 6 by 8, and braces, 4 by 4.

This barn was framed by myself and six men in five days. It took from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. to raise the frame complete. The frame was covered with 1 by 12 stock boards; joints cov-

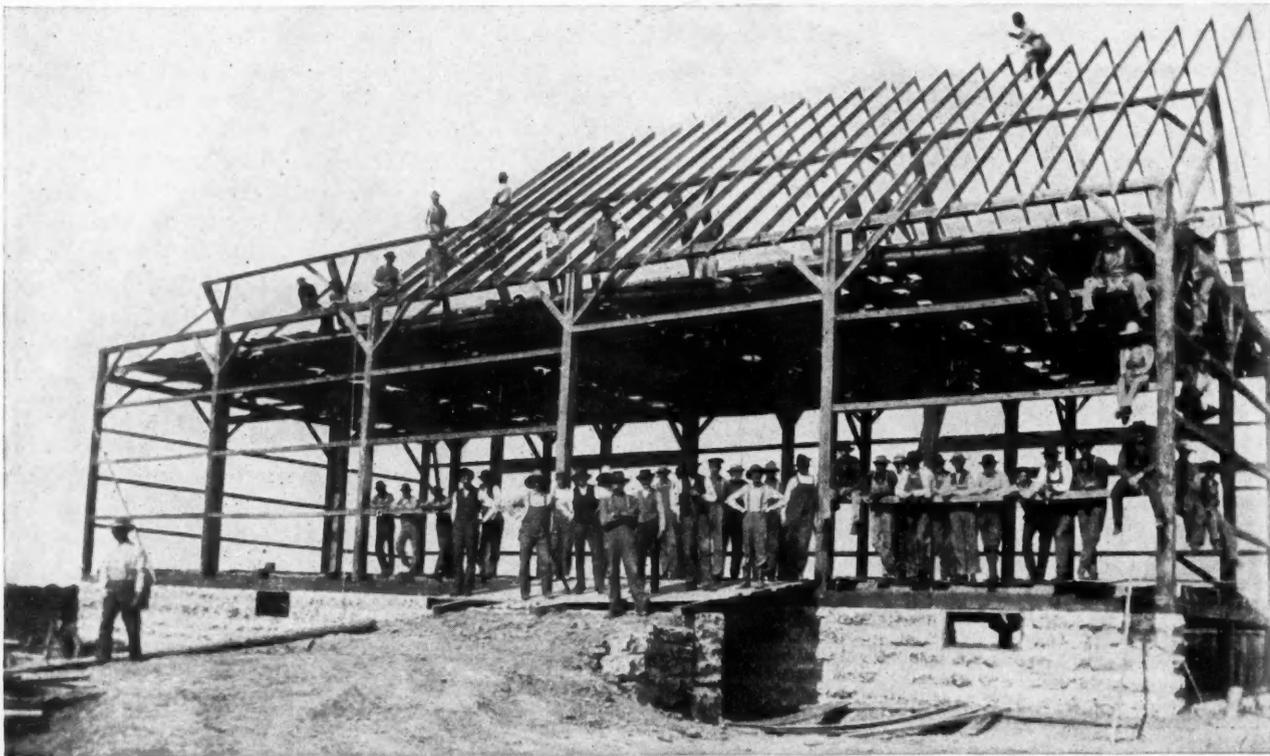
will explain in the same simple language how to get the cuts for raking molding with the steel square. Trusting I have not taken up too much space in your paper and wishing the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER all success, I am,

JAMES HOWIE.



### How to Learn From Books

To the Editor: Stamford, N. Y.  
Please accept my thanks for book, "Framing," which I re-



ered with 2½-inch battens. The open side of basement is walled with No. 1 fence flooring. Have built seven of these barns this season, varying in size from 32 by 40 to 36 by 80 feet.

C. B. KREUTER.



### Gratitude From a Reader

To the Editor: Eugene, Ore.  
Would you grant me space enough to thank John Stillians for the clear and simple way in which he solves Mr. Rick's problem? I have gained much information from the same. Last summer I was on a job where we had the bargeboards of a square pitch roof rest on a quarter pitch roof. I, being a green horn with the steel square, was up against it and had to resort to holding it up in place while my partner scribed it. Thanks to Mr. Stillians, I won't get up against it any more on a problem of that kind.

Perhaps Mr. Stillians or some other of your correspondents

ceived by mail a few days ago. I consider it a very valuable work on carpenter work. And right here I would like to talk a little with Mr. A. J. Lohr, Greencastle, Pa. In the September number, about books, he says that he has spent many dollars and midnight oil in fruitless search for the very information that the books and authors claim to give, and yet conceal. Says that he has two volumes on the steel square that he cannot understand, and that he has shown them to a number of skilled mechanics and that they cannot understand them.

Now, I don't presume to know it all about roof framing or books, but what I do know about it I have got from books, and my education was limited to the common schools (pretty common at that). I don't wish to criticise Mr. Lohr or his brother mechanics, but would like to help them. If Mr. Lohr will take some one system of framing, and not get a lot of different ideas all mixed up, and will get it clear in his head so far as he can, then when he goes home from the work

some night, if he will take a few strips of edgings, lath will do, and after supper go to work and build a roof, say a four-gable, cut to some scale, get his mind on it, cut the main rafters, valleys and jacks, and put it together with brads, he will be surprised to find how much the books will tell him. Build two or three, all different. Cut every stick before he begins to put it together.

I have seen quite a good many books on the steel square, and they are about the same, that is, the result is the same; but they are worded a little different and that is likely to confuse the workman. Mr. Lohr does not say what his books are, but if he will take the back numbers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, and study the problems on the steel square by A. W. Woods I don't think that he will have any trouble to understand them. DON MCPHERSON.

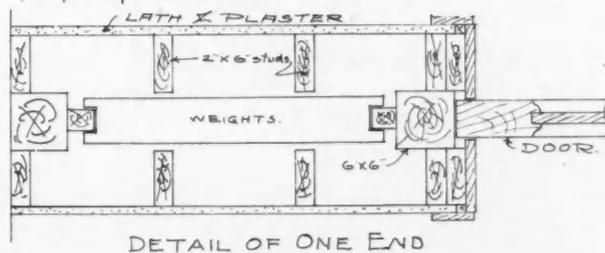
### Doors to Work Up and Down

To the Editor:

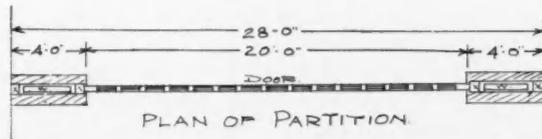
Prairie View, Kan.

As I am a charter member of your valuable magazine, I would like to have a little information on something that puzzles me a little. I have to run a partition through a

NOTE: If Room is 16'-0" high. Door should be 7'-6" only to allow room for pulleys etc. at top.



DETAIL OF ONE END



PLAN OF PARTITION

church about 28 feet long and 16 feet high. Now what I would like to know is how to make this with doors that can be worked up and down to open and close the room. What I would like to know, is how to commence on it, in the case the committee wants it with doors? H. GUICHELAAR.

Answer: The doors such as you require should operate like a window hung on weights, sliding up in a double partition, as per the accompanying drawing. Should you desire rolling doors, specification for their installation may be obtained from the several companies manufacturing such partitions.

EDITOR.

### Specifications for Asphalt Floors

To the Editor:

Elko, Nev.

Will you please advise a subscriber as to the proper specifications for an asphalt floor for toilet room in a public school building. ELKO LUMBER CO.

Answer: The following are complete specifications for the proper laying of asphalt floors in school houses as specified by one of the well-known asphaltum companies:

**Mastic and Flux.**—The asphalt mastic to be used shall be that produced by \* \* \* \*. The asphaltic cement or flux must not be less than 99 per cent pure bitumen, shall be absolutely water-proof and unaffected by extremes of temperature and manufactured by the same company.

**Process of Mixing.**—480 pounds of mastic blocks shall be broken up in small pieces weighing about 2 pounds each, thrown into kettle and before fire is started about 5 per cent

of the pure asphaltic cement or flux shall be added, for mix in a room of ordinary temperature, 70 degrees. In rooms of high or lower temperature, percentages of asphaltic cement shall be used according to these temperatures; this mix is then cooked to a temperature of about 400 to 430 degrees, being brought to this temperature gradually, or until it reaches the proper consistency.

To this mix shall be added about 75 to 85 per cent hot, clean torpedo grit, after first being heated and dried, in such proportion that the desired results may be obtained. The mixture must be stirred until the full amount of grit is incorporated.

**Process of Laying Floors 1½ Inches Thick.**—Floors should be laid in two layers, each ¾ inch in thickness. This heated mixture shall then be laid evenly in strips of about 8 feet wide (or such widths as to reduce the number of joints), using a strip of wood ¾ inch thick by 3 inches wide, laid parallel with the wall for a guide.

This bottom layer shall not be rubbed smooth, but simply massed evenly. Great care should be taken that no dirt is allowed to accumulate before the second layer is laid over it.

**Second Layer.**—After 2 strips of the bottom have been laid, a second layer ¾ inch thick shall be placed over same; but this time wooden strip shall be placed 7 feet from wall, so that each joint in the layer will overlap joint in first layer about 1 foot. This layer must be rubbed smooth as fast as it is laid, using fine lime, sandstone dust or cement on the surface while rubbing.

When this strip of floor is laid, remove the wooden strip and place it about 7 feet from the edge of the floor just laid, to receive the next section. When laying second section, hot mastic mixture must extend over first section about 4 inches, so that edge of cold section will become soft, thus making a perfect bond between sections. Cut off surplus material and rub joints thoroughly.

Floors 1 inch thick should be laid in one layer.

**When Laid on Wood.**—Floors should be made as clean and dry as possible, then covered with two thicknesses of building paper or one layer of waterproofing felt.

**Water-proofing of Walls and Posts.**—All walls and posts should be painted with two coats of \* \* \* asphaltum paint, from 3 to 6 inches above the floor line.

**Fillet.**—After floors have been finished, put fillet 3 inches around all walls and posts.

**Workmanship.**—All work to be done in a thoroughly workmanlike manner.

**Guarantee.**—The work will be guaranteed for 5 years that it will be absolutely water-proof, and that floor will be in good condition at the end of that time, if subjected to ordinary wear and tear. EDITOR.

### How to Plane a Square Edge

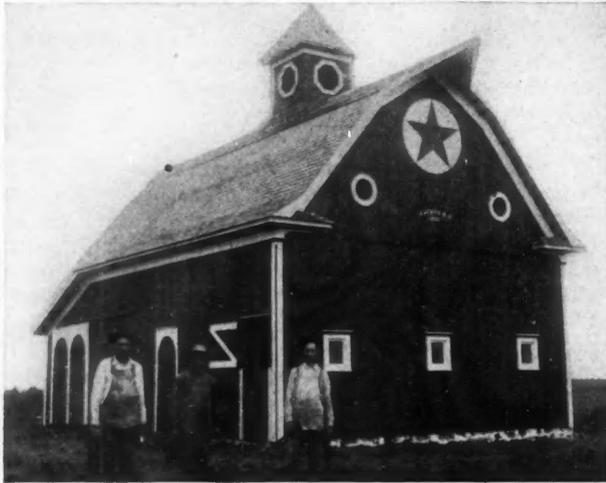
To the Editor:

Marshalltown, Iowa.

Some of the "boys" have given Mr. C. H. Taylor pretty good advice in regard to squaring a board on the edge with a hand plane in the August number, especially J. W. Burns. I would add that after having his planes in working order and his board screwed in the vise, edge up, that he take his try square and see where the edge is not square. Then take his jack plane and dress off the high edge. Now take your jointer and commence at the rear end, and after a few strokes try the edge and see how near you have it square. On getting it square keep right on to the front end. By starting at the rear end square you have a guide for your plane the rest of the way. I would not advise using any gauges, guides or props under your plane, but keep your wrist stiff after starting, which you will find in practice to be the best guide. Using guides or gauges is like teaching a boy to skate with ankle braces. Nothing will strengthen his ankles more than a few hard bumps on the ice. J. G. WEATHERBY.

**Staunch and Artistic Barn**

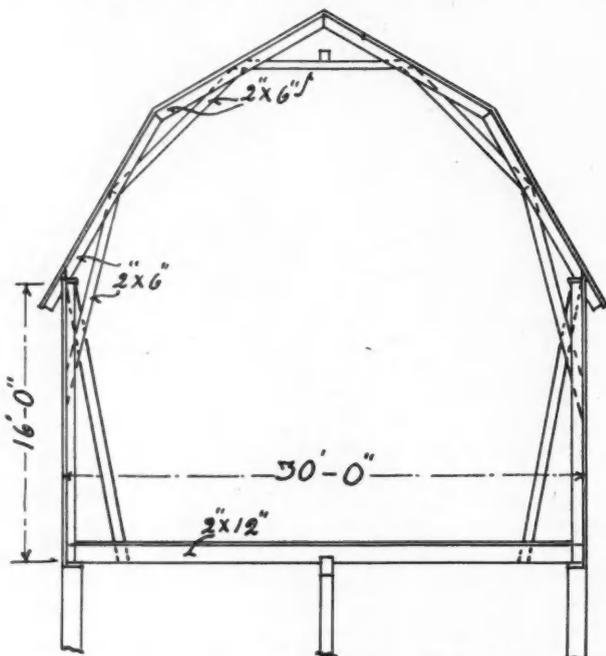
To the Editor: Asbury, Mo.  
 I am a charter member of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER and think it the best magazine of the kind published. I enclose a picture of barn recently built on farm near As-



**Barn Built for S. M. Shrock, Asbury, Mo., Hudson & Hall, Builders**  
 bury, Mo., for S. M. Shrock, by Hudson & Hall, contractors and builders. It is pronounced a very artistic and satisfactory structure. ED. HUDSON.

**Balloon Frame Barn**

To the Editor: Hayfield, Iowa.  
 I shall very much appreciate if you will instruct me how to build a balloon frame barn 32 by 60 feet, 16-foot posts, with a gambrel roof. It should have no purlin posts, but an open center.  
 I particularly desire information on how to frame the rafters and construct them so that the point of purlins will be on a straight line. I wish also to know how to raise the



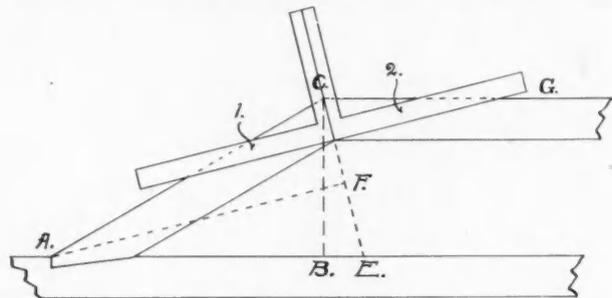
rafters the easiest and best way. Please give me some pointers on how to properly build scaffolds for raising the rafters. J. E. JOHNSON.  
 Answer: The accompanying sketch shows the proper fram-

ing to use. We would suggest that the rough floor of the barn be laid and that the full size design of the truss be drawn out on same, and each truss made on the floor and raised respectively into position. EDITOR.

**Top Cut for Truss Again**

To the Editor: Ithaca, N. Y.  
 In the April issue of your magazine is a discussion relative to a bay window problem proposed by Fred G. Nye. The subject was very ably treated, but the process was not absolutely a steel square one. It appears that the geometric principle involved in laying out trusses, bay windows, etc., is not generally understood, for several authors of books on carpentry and steel squares have perpetuated an error which I wish could be cancelled from all books.  
 The following is the substance of the erroneous method of laying out a truss quoted in part: "The bevel of the upper end of the brace where it butts against the straining beam is found in the following manner: Take the length of the brace or proportional part and mark it on the edge of a board; take half the rise of brace on the tongue, lay it to one of these marks on the board and move the blade until it touches the other mark on the board. A line drawn along the tongue gives the bevel for both brace and straining beam. (Incorrect.) The angle made between the brace and straining beam is thus bisected." (Also incorrect.)

I herein enclose a rough sketch showing how, in a general



way, such cuts may be made with no other instrument than the steel square.  
 The bevel at the foot of the brace is marked by taking proportional parts of the rise, B C, and run, A B, on the tongue and blade respectively; cut on the blade; the bevel of the upper end of brace where it butts against the straining beam and also of the straining beam is obtained by taking proportional parts of the difference between length of the brace, A C, which is equal to E, and the run, A B; that is, B E on the tongue, and the rise, C B, on the blade; and the tongue when the square is in position, 1 gives the cut for the brace, and the tongue is in position 2 gives the cut for the straining beam, and the angle, A C G, is thus bisected. The diagram shows that if we take A as a center and a radius A C, and draw the arc C E, then B E is the difference between the length and run of the brace. CHAS. GRAY.

**Sheathing Outside and In**

To the Editor: Freeland, Md.  
 I think your paper all right; it is a great help to me. I give you an answer to one of the brothers in the July paper in regard to sheathing a house on the inside or out.  
 To sheath on the outside I think is best, but nail your sheathing on the frame and then put on paper. Also, I believe in nailing 1/2 by 2 inch strips on sheathing right on top of studding, and one strip on at water table on bottom, so the cold air can not circulate up through the air chamber. This makes a dead air chamber between sheathing and outside siding. W. H. G. MASEMAL.

**Two Questions Answered**

To the Editor:

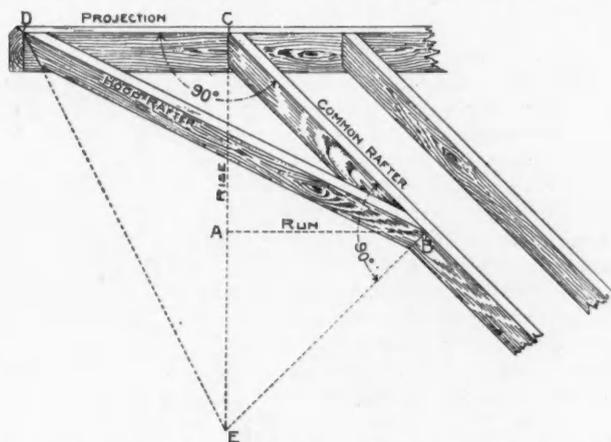
Randall, Kan.

Will you please tell me how to find the top cut of a hood rafter when the bottom cut is square with side cut on  $\frac{1}{2}$  or 45 degrees pitch. The rafter will lean under so that the sheathing will lie on same without beveling the rafter.

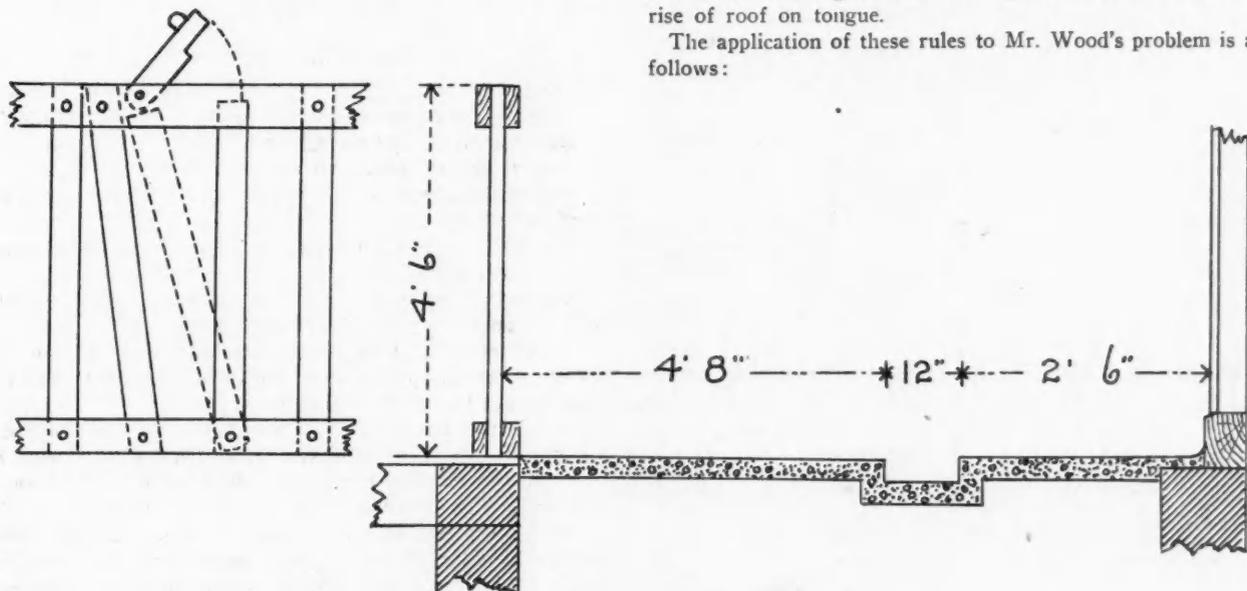
Also please tell me the best way to make a cow stanchion.

E. E. GITHENS.

Answer: The hood rafter set in the position as called for in the above furnishes a problem not readily grasped by the



average framer because it partakes of unseen parts, as shown by the dotted lines in the diagram. A B represents the run of the hood; B C represents the length of the corresponding common rafter and A C its rise. C D represents the projection of the hood and B D the length of hood rafter. As C D and B C are at right angles to each other, it is very plain to be seen that B C and C D taken on the square will give the respective top cut across the back of the rafter. The cut across the side of the rafter at B is a square cut because it is at right angles to B C. But the real sticker, if there is one, is the cut across the face of the rafter at D, and here is where the unseen part comes in. The parts to take on the square are B E and B D. The latter will give the cut. If the rafter



is to rest with its sides plumb, then it may be treated as a hip or valley rafter, as the cuts are identical, except the cut across the face at the lower end will be a plumb cut same as at the upper end. This would require the rafter to be backed so as to lie in plane with the common rafter and should be all one way.

As to the cow stanchion, the accompanying illustration was obtained from one with large experience as a practical dairyman, and is simple in construction. He says it is well to put up the stanchions in sections that can be moved to give a greater or less distance back to the trough, according to size of the cow, the distance given being for the cows of average size. A change of 4 inches either way may be required for small Jersey or large Holsteins. A. W. WOODS.



**Sills and Shingles**

To the Editor:

London, Ont.

In answer to George Novotny, of Browns Valley, Minn., about rotting sills and shingling, I would say: First, it will make a better job to cover the ends of joists with two thicknesses of heavy tarred paper to prevent dampness. For shingling for a first-class job, wet the shingles before laying. Lay shingles 5 inches to weather and from  $\frac{3}{8}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch apart. Nail  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch from edge of shingle and about 1 inch above line of following course; split all shingles over 8 inches wide. The shingles will always lay flat and the roof will last from seven to ten years longer than if the shingles were laid close; as the dirt has no chance to get cleaned off the roof after rains. This has been my experience of 30 years. Under no condition put nails in center of shingles. I appreciate the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER very much.

T. R. WRIGHT.



**When Gables Are of Different Widths**

To the Editor:

Kenedy, Texas.

I am a new subscriber to AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER. Think every number is worth the year's subscription price.

I offer the following solution to Mr. Chas. Wood's sticker in cornice work in September number:

First.—Take the length of common rafter on side the plancher is to be nailed to, on blade of square. Take inches for feet and twelfths for inches. Take half the width of the other gable on tongue. The tongue will give the cut.

Second.—For edge bevel, take length of rafter on blade and rise of roof on tongue.

The application of these rules to Mr. Wood's problem is as follows:

The approximate lengths of rafters is 12 feet 8 inches for the 18-foot gable, 12 feet for the 16-foot gable.

To cut plancher for 18-foot side the figures will be  $12 \frac{8}{12}$  on the blade and 8 on the tongue.

The edge bevel will be  $12 \frac{8}{12}$  and 9 (rise of roof).

For the plancher on the 16-foot side the cuts will be 12

and 9 (half of 18-foot gable), and for the edge bevel, 12 and 9 (rise of roof).

Mr. Wood's last problem can be worked in the same way, *i. e.*, take length of rafter on blade and half width of building on tongue for cut. Take length of rafter and rise of roof for edge bevel.

I prefer the following method where the pitch of both roofs is the same: Find the distance between 12 on blade and 10 on tongue. Take this number on blade and 12 on tongue. Tongue gives cut. Take same figure on blade with 10 (rise per foot) on tongue for edge bevel.

When the gables are of different pitches the planchers will have to be of different widths in proportions to the lengths of rafters.

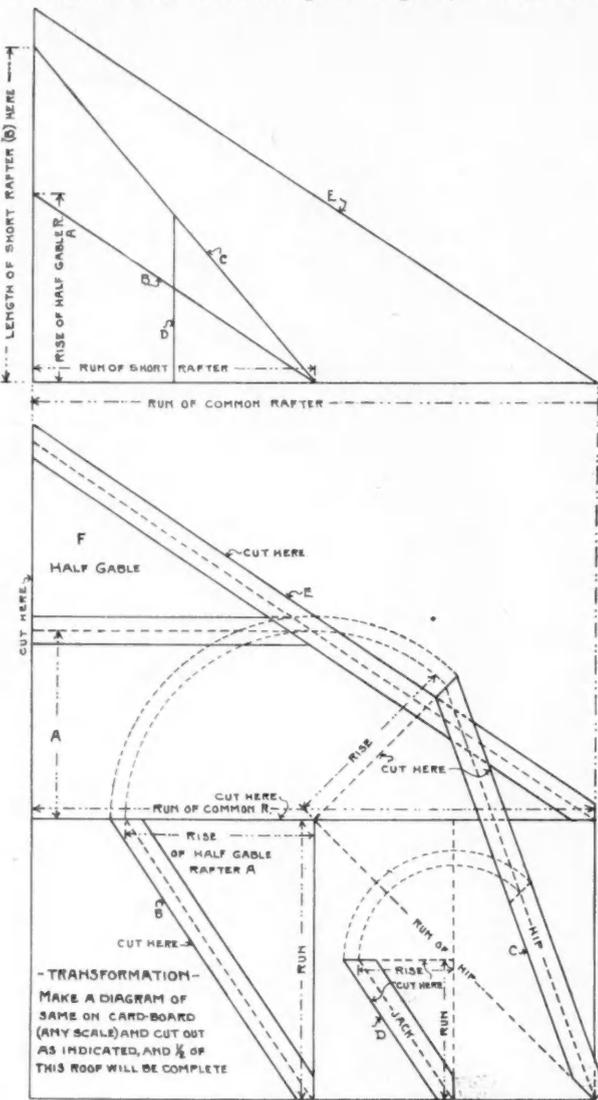
T. C. McCoy.

**Framing by the One-Inch Scale Method**

To the Editor:

Convent, La.

After a careful examination of Mr. G. W. M.'s article on roof framing in the July number, I am inclined to believe they bear a little relation to Mr. Hicks' A. B. C. Now, for detailed instructions concerning this diagram, refer to Decem-



ber number of 1907, pages 335 and 336, and on these pages you will find all there is in roof framing. With the A. B. C. method, odd runs, rises and complications are a cinch, because the method is based upon these two vital points; that is you must know the run and rise; and I do not believe any other system can work out without these two points first being established.

Those of the craft who would like may follow the geometric principle involved which is that the shortest distance between two points is a straight line. You will see that this is all he uses; and the beauty of it, there is no line drawn but those entering the roof. The simplicity and accuracy of this method is seldom equaled—never excelled. Try it.

B. P. TUREAUD.

**Much More to Learn**

To the Editor:

Enfield, N. H.

Being a subscriber to the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER I notice that notwithstanding the valuable information given its readers it does not at all times omit the ignorance of some. Take for example the "Comment from a Reader," inserted in the September number.

Referring to rafter cutting permit me to say that if you have for thirty years used a piece of board to mark out the bevel pattern for side cut of jack rafter, or any other cut, you would fail to act as foreman of a decent job in any of these cities (I do not mean New Hampshire).

Did it ever occur to you that the side cut of a jack to fit the hip should be obtained by using the length of the gable rafter as the rise, and the distance from foot of gable rafter to corner of plate as the run? Try it and be convinced. It is a simple but sure way, and does not require anything but the steel square to do it.

S. W. HAYS.

**To Renovate Files**

To the Editor:

Morley, Mo.

Wish to state that I have been looking over your paper ever since it started and I think that it is something that every carpenter needs. I see in the September number that Mr. Thos. Peck wants to know if "files can be renovated." I say that they can. My method is as follows: Lay them in dilute sulphuric acid until they are eaten enough.

JOHN T. WORLEY.

**Elliptical Arches**

To the Editor:

New Britain, Conn.

Having for years been a charter member of the great family of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, I will ask for answers to the following questions:

First.—Is the process of drawing an elliptical arch the same as for the oval?

Second.—Can it be done in any other way than using parts of true circles?

Third.—It is necessary to take a rise according to the width of opening or any rise desired?

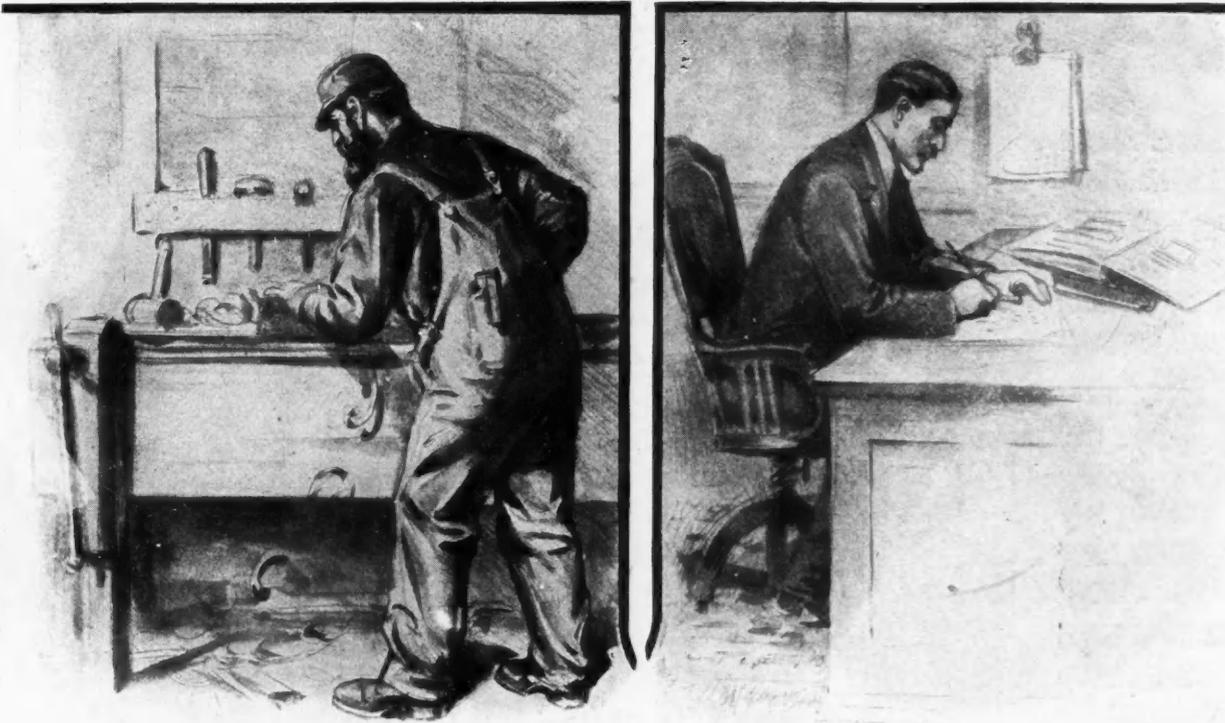
I have at times taken a rise regardless to the run or width of opening, which often brings the arch quite flat, yet working out to a fairly good effect.

In residence work in this section there is not one building without one or more elliptical arches, therefore I wish to know more about how to work out these arches. S. W. HAYS.

Answer: The questions asked are fully answered in A. W. Wood's article on the Steel Square in the May and June numbers of this magazine. The question of proportion is largely a matter of taste, and the layout should be governed accordingly, avoiding extremes either way. The best effect is obtained by adhering to about the mean between the two.

In Fig. 253 of the June number is shown the mean between the two, that is, the short diameter is equal the diameter of the square, while the long diameter is equal the diagonal of the square, or, in other words, the short diameter is equal to 12/17 of the long diameter.

EDITOR.



## Two Kinds of Workers and Two Kinds of Tools

The difference between the man at the desk and the man at the bench is training—the kind of training that demands well paid positions of dignity and importance.

¶ We don't mean by this that the **desk job is always better** than the **bench job**. We don't mean that you should change your present work. We **do mean**, however, that you must combine more of the **desk man's kind of training** with your work if you want to amount to anything in your trade.

¶ The desk man uses one kind of tool that too often the **bench man** neglects entirely. That tool—the best one in the whole kit is books; practical books that tell how to do your work in the easiest, the best and the latest ways; books that tell you all about each and every feature of your work to the smallest detail; books that keep you in touch with the biggest and smallest details of building construction.

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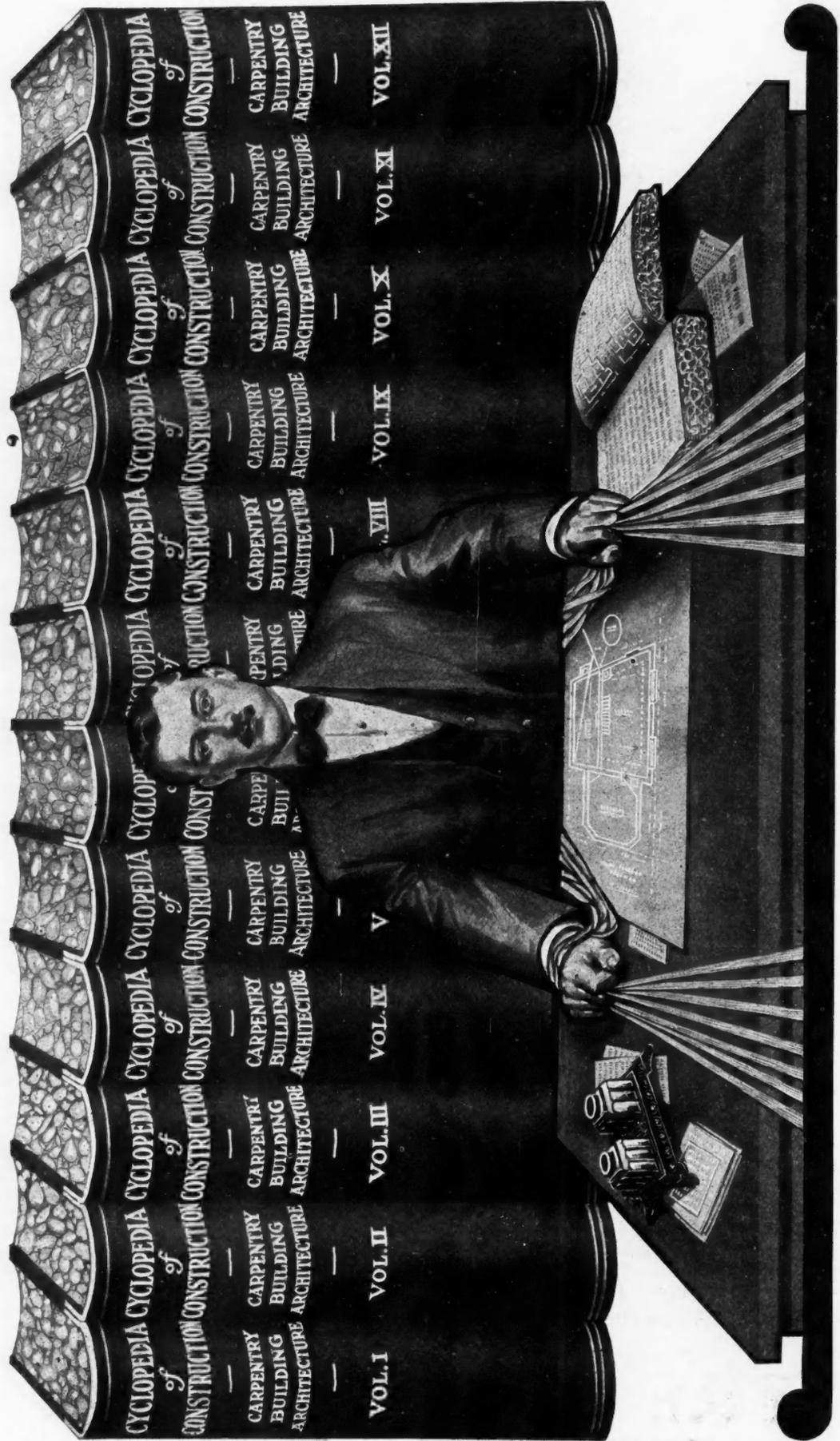
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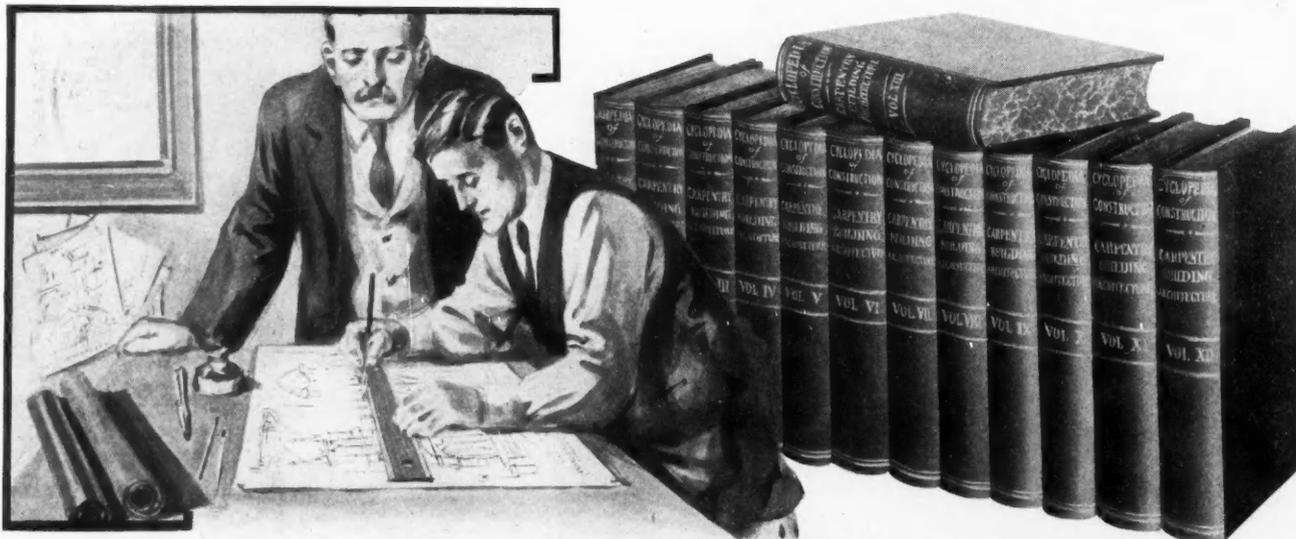
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To the Editor:

Herington, Kan.

I notice Chas. Wood's cornice sticker in September number. Now there is but one practical way to finish a cornice of that kind and that is to make the plancher on the 16-foot gable narrower than the plancher on the 18-foot gable. If the plancher on the 18-foot part is 12 inches, then on the 16-foot part it will be 10¾ inches, and the two will member up all right and the difference will not be noticed. If Brother Wood will get him a Nichols' square he will find all of these problems explained. I have one and I depend on it altogether. Would not part with it at any price if I could not replace it.

The AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER is a great paper. I read the letters of the other chips of the trade with pleasure.

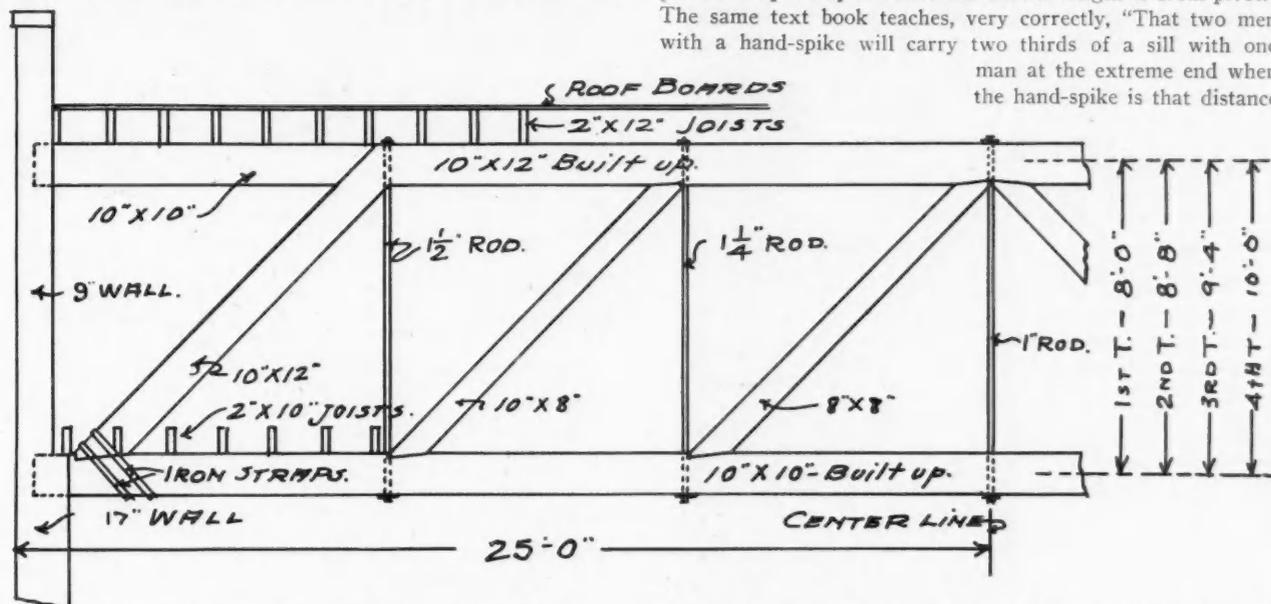
WM. LEWIS.

**Truss for Flat Roof**

To the Editor:

Chula, Mo.

Will you please give me a sketch of a roof plan for a hall 50 by 70 feet? There will be no supports to carry roof, which



is to rest only on the outer walls and span the 50-foot way. I want a flat roof to slope from the front to the rear with a fall of ½ inch to 1 foot. The front and sides will be enclosed by a fire wall.

I have been a reader of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER from the first issue and like it much better every issue.

GEO. W. HARMAN.

Answer: The accompanying sketch shows such a truss as will be required to carry the roof of your building. There will be four of these trusses placed 14 feet apart. The sketch shown is for the last one and the height is to be increased on each successive truss as they approach the front of the building.

EDITOR.

**"Steelyards" Proposition Defended**

To the Editor:

Hanford, Cal.

Please give space to reply to C. W. Talbot to respective contributions by F. Schneider and J. G. Weatherby in their attempts to enlighten the readers of your magazine about the "hand-spike problem."

Mr. Schneider credits the portion of the timber extending over the hand-spike 5 feet at the "A. B. end" with affecting only the "hand-spike end," yet with this hypothesis asserted, he immediately assumes that C. will carry only 10 feet of the

timber, holding to one end of the 25 feet of timber. Thou art inconsistent, brother.

If you had placed the hand-spike at 10 feet from the end and pursued your line of reasoning you would have been consistent, although in error.

Now since the portion extending over the hand-spike does affect the "C. end" as well as the "A. B. end," it follows that it could not affect the "hand-spike end" just 5 feet as you assumed, consequently your reasoning is upset and both you and Mr. Weatherby, who assumes that the reasoning of a mathematician is like unto the child playing "hull-gull how-many," thus needing the second guess.

Now you both attack my letter, published in the August number, in its strongest place in denying the accuracy of the answer given in my letter.

My friends here admit the accuracy of the answer given, but ask me, "Why don't you make it more mathematical?"

My reply is that it is not (strictly speaking) a mathematical problem. The principle of the "steel-yards" best applies, which is as follows: "The weight of the article hanging on the hook multiplied by the distance the hook is from the pivot of beam equals the product of the known weight on beam multiplied by distance the known weight is from pivot." The same text book teaches, very correctly, "That two men with a hand-spike will carry two thirds of a sill with one man at the extreme end when the hand-spike is that distance

from the center which multiplied by two will produce the same product as the distance the other end is from the center multiplied by one."

If you are not convinced try my answer with two pair of reliable "steel-yards" or springscales. If you had said the hand-spike should be placed 10 feet from the end and followed that assertion with your line of reasoning, you would have been consistent though erroneous.

C. W. TALBOT.

**Plain and Understandable**

To the Editor:

St. Paul, Minn.

In looking over the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER for August I notice that John Stillians, of Fort Smith, Ark., does not like the formulas. I must congratulate him as the most sensible of them all. I am in his position: I want to secure knowledge from books. I get puzzled about the letters and figures just as he has. He has the rafter laid out in a common, sensible manner. I have taken different journals and books dealing with the carpenter craft for the last thirty years, yet I am as far off in the problems given in the books as they lay it out as ever. I do not understand them. Now, if given in a plain way, as Stillians explained, all of us old carpenters would understand them. I wish to see more of them in the future.

AUG. J. METZGER.

## "The Best Floor Finish Ever Used"

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#### What We Say for Farrington Floor Finish

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- it is more convenient to use.
- rooms can be used practically without interruption.
- any handy help can apply it.
- dries in an hour.
- has no annoying or sickening smell as is the case with varnish or paint.
- does not scratch white.
- is not marked white by water.
- is not brittle.
- is not slippery, glassy or dangerous to walk on.
- holds its beauty longer—no constant polishing.
- gives a hard elastic surface
- does not gather dirt.
- can be cleaned easily with a damp rag.
- gives longer service.
- needs no constant renewing as is the case with wax, oil or shellac finish.
- renewing is easier, quicker and costs less than any other method.
- no costly heavy expense for "stripping" the old coat away when Farrington Floor Finish is renewed.
- simply mopping the old coat of Farrington Floor Finish away with denatured alcohol is all that is needed to prepare the floors for a new coat.
- any scrub woman can prepare the floor for re-finishing.
- Places that get unusually heavy wear—"pathways" on the floor—can be touched up easily with a few minutes work, from month to month, or from week to week, if necessary without requiring you to go over the whole floor. This is impossible with shellac and many other finishes.
- The fact that rooms can be in practically uninterrupted use by the guests and members of the family—is important both in hotels and clubs as well as in the home.
- Guest rooms can be finished between breakfast and lunch.
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LEBANON, N. H.—I think you have the best floor finish in the market. I have finished floors for over 20 years, and have used probably 25 kinds of floor finish, but I shall use Farrington Floor Finish in future exclusively.—JOHN C. McFEE.

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We will send you materials with which you can convince yourself of the truth and justice of their letters, and of our claims. Just tear out the corner of the page and write on the margin or send us a letter like this:—To

The Farrington Company,  
(Acb) Metropolitan Tower,  
New York.

You may send, without cost to me or obligation of any sort, materials for an easy and thorough test of the Farrington Method of finishing floors—a test that I can make without leaving my desk.

Signed .....  
Firm or House.....  
Address .....

I am interested as.....  
(Owner, Supt., Mgr., Agt., Architect, Bldr., Decorator) in.....(No. of).....(kind of) buildings with a total of about..... sq. ft. of floors on which some sort of finish must be used.

# Farrington

WHEN WRITING ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THE AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER

# PRACTICAL TRADE APPLIANCES

## Art Glass Designs and Service

We take pleasure in referring the readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER to the Schuler Art Glass Company, Madison and Canal streets, Chicago, Ill. As pointed out already in these columns, art glass, though a very ancient material, has recently attained a new use and importance in the finishing of modern residences and public buildings. The Schuler Art Glass Company are now distributing to architects and builders their new catalogue. The designs in it are original with them; they are strictly up to date, and will convey to you an idea of the possibilities of art glass. The designs shown are of clear transparent glass background, with strips of either etruscan, chip, crackled or opal glass. They are appropriate for doors, bookcases, sidelights, transoms, nooks and casement windows.

This company will gladly advise you as to the treatment of art glass for harmony with your decorations and style of building.

The designs given are only a few of the many that can be furnished. The Schuler Art Glass Company will be pleased to submit others, or make you special designs to fit the various openings of your building. If you desire such service all you need to do is to send the sizes, shapes, and approxi-

mate amount you wish to spend in art glass, and they will make designs accordingly.

This company also manufacture and design art glass lamp shades, domes, portable, etc. The benefit of their many years of experience is yours for the asking.

## New Power Feed Jointer and Planer

The Sidney Tool Company, of Sidney, Ohio, have brought out what they call their power feed jointer and planer. They accomplish this by applying the attachment to the standard jointer as shown in the accompanying cut. There is a power feed attachment and will plane from 1/16 of an inch to 6 inches thick. The lower infeed grooved roll is adjustable for different thicknesses of lumber, making a complete pony planer out of their jointers in 12-inch, 16-inch and 20-inch sizes.

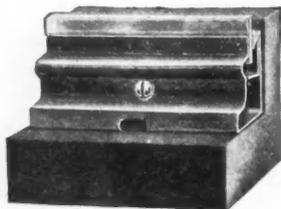
In addition to this they have also designed a hoisting attachment to take care of this planing attachment, when the user wishes to operate the machine as a standard jointer. This hoister swings the attachment entirely out of the way of the operator, and the change can be made in from one to two minutes, and in applying the attachment to the jointer it does not change the relation of the tables with the head. The

## The Value of a Perfect System of Ventilation and Drainage for Show Windows

is not fully realized until you have installed Kawneer No. 30 Ventilation and Drainage Sash.

It is the standard construction, having these exclusive features—a perfect system of ventilation and drainage—full provisions for expansion and contraction of plate glass—cushion spring grip affording the greatest protection to all edges of the glass—an all-metal construction (copper, brass, aluminum, and bronze) which will not rust, rot, warp nor deteriorate.

Are you in doubt as to the value of a "Kawneer System" Store Front? Its compact-



**Kawneer System**  
*It Stays and Pays*



ness, durability, correct architectural lines, and low cost of upkeep, have placed it far in advance of all others.

Thoroughly investigate the merits of Kawneer System Store Fronts. See how easily the glass is set from the outside, how you secure every available inch of display space, and through the use of the Kawneer ventilation system reduce to the minimum frosting and drainage troubles.

Do not confuse the No. 30 Sash with the new designs No. 50 and No. 100 which are for use where no wood backing is desired.

Your client will save dollars in upkeep and the Merchants sales will grow if you use a Kawneer System Store Front. Address the nearest office for Catalog No. 2 and full information.

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# Sackett Plaster Board

## FIRE PROOFING

**Instead of  
Lath**

**Time  
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**DOES  
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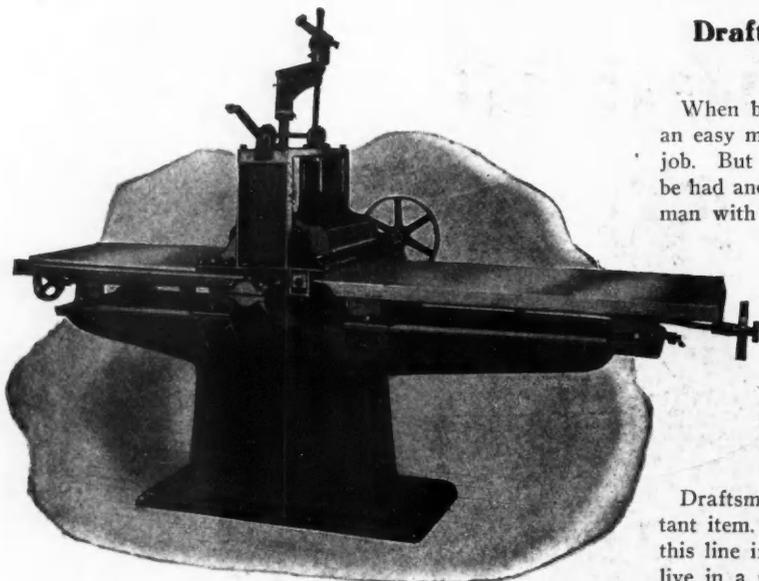
**The board  
that made  
plaster  
boards  
famous**

**First used  
in 1891  
Perfected  
in 1908**

### Sackett Plaster Board Company

**17 Battery Place  
NEW YORK**

thickness which you wish to plane your stock is indicated by graduated index on side of the planing attachment, operated by crank and bevel gears, as shown in the cut. The hoister is also operated by crank and bevel gears, as shown in the cut, lifting the planing attachment high enough, allowing it



to swing around behind the machine. All that is necessary to change the machine from a jointer to a planer, is to loosen the two hand wheels on the back side of the rack of the front tables, pull the tables back about 6 inches, swing the planing attachment in position, and drop it down on the table, put in the two hand wheels in back table, screwing them down firmly, and the attachment is ready for work. You can plane to an absolute thickness, or make a complete sizer of this, the same as the standard pony planer.

The base of the jointer is cast in one solid piece; being fitted with a four-side two-side slotted forged steel head, boxings are large and heavy, being babbitted with a very high grade of babbitt metal, and are fitted with wick oiling bearings in bottom of boxes; these are fed from oil cups on side of boxes. The tables are perfectly true, and are 7 feet 3 inches over all, being 4 inches wider than the knives. With this power-feed planing attachment, arrangements can be made for making all kinds of flat moldings, making a power feed molder as well as a power feed planer out of the machine. This machine is especially convenient where space is valuable. Briefly this is two makes in one, at the price of one. The countershaft is furnished with this machine and it would pay you to write the Sidney Tool Company, of Sidney, Ohio, at once for particulars, as they have special folders on this outfit.

### They Have Inquired, They Have Tried, Read the Results

Such is the title of the book we have just received from one of our largest advertisers, and a more conclusive piece of literature that entirely expresses facts has never been brought to our notice.

The book produces some of the letters that have been sent to Joseph Miotke, 247 Lake street, Milwaukee, Wis., who is the inventor and manufacturer of the Acme floor scraping outfit. These letters show just how Mr. Miotke sends his machines out on a free trial basis and what the parties so receiving them write. It is indeed a piece of advertising matter that inspires one with confidence, for it gives the plain facts regarding the merits of the Acme floor scraping outfit, which, by the way, consists of labor-saving devices that means hundreds of dollars to every carpenter and contractor, and it

likewise shows that Mr. Miotke's free trial offer has no strings tied to it and that he does just exactly what he says he will do in every respect.

We are informed that Mr. Miotke will be pleased to send this book to any interested party.

### Draftsmanship for the Carpenter and Builder

When business and building operations are booming, it is an easy matter for the average young man to get and hold a job. But when things get slack—when there are few jobs to be had and then a host of applicants for each, it's the time the man with special training or knowledge comes strongly into the limelight.

Perhaps the best reason why "John" is working—and there are dozens just as strong and willing as he, who are out of work—rests simply on the fact that "John" does not have to ask questions about the plans or blue prints he is working from.

It doesn't seem much perhaps even to the man who has spent his spare time studying, but it sure does help at times to know even just a little bit more than the other fellow.

Draftsmanship to the carpenter or contractor is an important item. There are lots of good schools to be found along this line if a person can afford to travel a long distance and live in a strange city for months, but it is hardly necessary to do this.

Mr. Dobe, of the Engineers' Equipment Company, Chicago, has a course of individual instruction in draftsmanship which is first-class in every respect. He has many satisfied men who have taken his individual courses to refer the doubting ones to.

Mr. Dobe has had some twenty years' experience as a draftsman, and he knows what a fellow is up against in taking a course of instruction by mail. Everything must be plain and practical.

Mr. Dobe's catalogue shows that his course of instruction is plain and practical, and therefore worth taking.

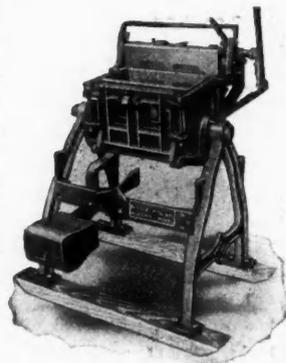
His announcement appears on another page. Look it over.

### Besser Cement Blocks

We have received an extremely valuable and interesting book from the Besser Manufacturing Company, Alpena, Mich., telling all about the modern concrete block business and especially what can be done with the well known Besser cement block machines. Among other facts presented in this book it is pointed out that the advantages of cement blocks for building purposes are rapidly becoming very thoroughly understood. Other materials resist fire, but disintegrate when white hot upon the application of water. Cement will not only stand the fire and heat, but the application of water as well, and for this reason is the only material to withstand a fierce fire and its consequences, and come through unscathed. This means your home can be absolutely safe from fire. It means absolute protection for your goods, and very low insurance rates.

The greatest advantage of a structure built of concrete blocks lies in the fact that all concrete blocks have hollow air spaces.

A solid wall is one of the best conductors of heat, and air on the contrary is one of the poorest. (All contractors and



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Of all our Wonderful Sales of the past none approaches the one we are advertising today. We propose to give the great buying public the benefit of our wonderful operations. No other concern on earth can meet the prices we place

## CHICAGO HOUSE WRECKING CO.

on our goods. We are offering the most staple merchandise at prices which in most instances do not represent the original cost of manufacture. If you fail to take advantage of this offer you are certainly overlooking an opportunity which may never again occur.

### Sheriffs', Receivers' & Manufacturers' Sales!

#### Our WONDERFUL CATALOG

We have published a BRAND NEW CATALOG, different than any other previously issued by us. It is twice as big; it gives the history of our business and tells all about our WONDERFUL OPERATIONS; contains over 50,000 BARGAIN OFFERS in every line. Gives illustrations true to the articles described. It contains 16 pages in natural color reproductions showing all articles true to life in every detail. It describes more fully, the various articles offered in this advertisement. It is a book such as every BARGAIN SEEKING MAN OR WOMAN must have in his or her possession. If you fail to secure a copy you will make a mistake. It is FREE if you'll follow directions in this advertisement.

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The best way to answer this advertisement is to FILL OUT THE COUPON in the lower left-hand corner. Tear the page out and place a cross mark on such articles as interest you most. We will then MAIL YOU OUR LITERATURE pertaining to the articles in question, as well as send you a copy of our MAMMOTH CATALOG; in addition we will describe more fully such articles as most interest you. If, however, you do not wish to mutilate this page, write us on a POST CARD, telling us WHERE YOU HAVE SEEN THIS ADVERTISEMENT, and just what articles interest you most. If you want to be in a general way only, then merely fill out the coupon in the lower left-hand corner, and we will MAIL YOU OUR GENERAL CATALOG.

#### Furniture

Over \$300,000.00 of high-grade, brand new furniture, carpets, rugs and linoleum; everything needed to furnish your home complete. No shoddy furniture in our stock. It is the best that can be manufactured. It is built for the taste of people who know real quality. Our goods are bought at Sheriffs', Receivers' and Manufacturers' Sales. That gives us a big advantage over any possible competition and the public gets the benefit of our buying operations. Write for prices on any article you may require. Our general catalog shows all our wonderful furniture stock. When in Chicago visit our monster furniture sales rooms, the largest in America.

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We GUARANTEE that every article you purchase from us will be EXACTLY AS REPRESENTED in every way. If you secure any merchandise from us not exactly as represented, we'll TAKE IT BACK at our FREIGHT EXPENSE and REFUND YOUR MONEY in full. We will in every instance "MAKE GOOD." We know full well the value of a SATISFIED CUSTOMER, and we will try our utmost to PLEASE YOU. We number over 100,000 customers who are regularly sending us their orders for general supplies, and we earnestly solicit just an opportunity to prove the virtue of our business for your INDIVIDUAL PURPOSE.

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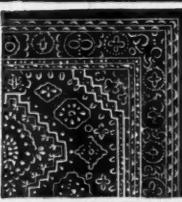
We will ship ANY ARTICLE shown in this advertisement C. O. D., with PRIVILEGE OF EXAMINATION, provided you send us a deposit of 25% on account as evidence of good faith, the balance after material reaches destination and you have had an opportunity to examine and see that you have secured the articles that you have ordered. If the goods are not what you expected we WILL REFUND your purchase price, bringing goods back to Chicago at OUR EXPENSE. You are SAFE at all times in dealing with us. We would advise that you send us an order at once selected from this advertisement.

#### Steel Roofing

100,000 sqs. of New Steel Roofing, which we are selling at the following prices: Flat \$1.60, Corrugated \$1.85, Crimped or Standing Seam \$1.85. At these prices we Prepay the Freight to all points east of Colorado except Oklahoma and Texas; quotations to these points on application. Our high grade Galvanized Rust Proof Roofing at prices ranging from \$3.00 per square up. Write today for Free Sample.

#### RUGS

9x12 Ft. RUGS—\$6.50—extra variety of beautiful patterns, oriental or floral designs, rich color combinations. These Rugs are reversible and may be used on either side, thus giving you the service of two floor coverings for the price of one. All absolutely new and perfect. We also carry all other high-grade Rugs.



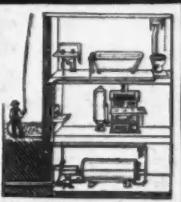
#### Gasoline Engines

2 horse-power, strictly high-grade, brand new Gasoline Engine at \$49.75, fully guaranteed, complete in every respect. Price includes igniter, battery, lubricator, and in fact complete outfit ready for use. This engine is simple to operate. We will sell on 30 days' free trial, so you take no chance in your purchase. A five-year guarantee against defective workmanship or material. Gasoline Engines in all sizes. Complete stock of Steam Engines, Rollers, Machinery. Write for Special List.



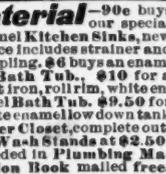
#### Water Pressure System

Modern Air Pressure Water Works Supply Systems at prices ranging from \$85 to \$200. They are strictly new and first-class in every detail. Our book of Plumbing and Heating, which we mail free of charge, tells all about them. Enjoy city comfort.



#### Plumbing Material

90¢ buys our special flat rim, cast iron, white enamel Kitchen Sinks, new but slightly defective. Price includes strainer and coupling. \$6 buys an enamel Bath Tub. \$10 for a cast iron, roll rim, white enamel Bath Tub. \$9.50 for white enamel low-down tank. Water Closet, complete outfit. Wash Stands at \$2.50. We furnish everything needed in Plumbing Material. Special Instruction Book mailed free.



#### Genuine Leather Couch

\$9.75. Quartersawed oak frame, diamond tufted top. A Wonderful Bargain! Oil tempered spring construction, warranted to give perfect satisfaction. It is 76 in. long and 37 in. wide. It is upholstered with a good quality of genuine leather. It's the very best "buy" in a leather couch.



#### Pipe & Fittings

A complete stock of overhauled Black & Galvanized Iron Pipe at prices lower than you can purchase elsewhere. A good grade Black Pipe, threaded and complete with couplings, at the following prices per ft.: 1-in., 8/16¢; 1 1/2-in., 4/16¢; 2-in., 5/16¢; 2 1/2-in., 7/16¢. New Galvanized Pipe at a considerable saving. Lap welded, light weight Cast-iron, couplings complete: 2-in., per ft., 5¢; 4-in., per ft., 14¢. Other sizes at same low prices. Complete stock of Valves and Fittings.

#### Linoleum

5¢ per sq. yd. Exactly like illustration. Absolutely new and perfect, no cracked or soiled pieces in the entire lot. We have hundreds of other beautiful patterns in rich colors, consisting of beautiful tile and floral designs, in various patterns illustrated in our large free catalog.



#### Hardware

Lanterns at... \$0.25 Hatchets at... \$0.50 Locks up from .10 These are samples from our General Catalog, our Wonderful Price Maker. There isn't an article in the Hardware Line but what we can furnish it to you at Extremely Low Prices. Our entire stock is new, nice, clean goods—just as good as you can purchase anywhere, and Prices Are Right. You had better Get Our Quotations before you buy from anyone else.



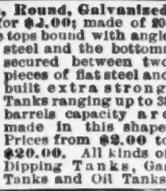
#### Paint

87¢ buys our high-grade "Allen" Roofing and Black Paint. We can furnish in Red, Brown or Black. 5¢ per gallon is our price for our PREMIER 10-year guaranteed ready mixed paints when ordered in full barrel lots; in gallon quantities our price is 9¢. We can furnish paints, varnishes, oils, stains, brushes, and in fact everything pertaining to the line. On application we will mail you our color card with full information. We save you money.



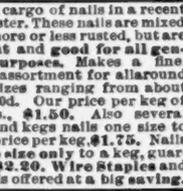
#### Tanks

32-Gallon, Round, Galvanized Steel Tank for \$2.00; made of 30-gauge galvanized stock; the tops bound with angle steel and the bottoms secured between two pieces of flat steel and built extra strong. Tanks ranging up to 38 barrels capacity are made in this shape. Prices from \$3.00 to \$20.00. All kinds of Dipping Tanks, Gas Tanks and Oil Tanks.



#### Nails

We purchased a cargo of nails in a recent steam-boat disaster. These nails are mixed all kinds together and are more or less rusted, but are straight and good for all general purposes. Makes a fine, handy assortment for all-around use. Sizes ranging from about 3d. to 30d. Our price per keg of 100 lbs., \$1.50. Also several thousand kegs nails one size to a keg, size from 3d. to 30d., price per keg, \$1.75. Nails straight, first class and one size only to a keg, guaranteed condition, per keg, \$2.50. Wire Staples and everything in the nail line is offered at a big saving.



#### Barbed Wire \$1.75 Per Reel

At this price we furnish special high-grade galvanized, brand new Barbed Wire. The price is per reel, and each reel contains 80 rods. This material is acknowledged the best wire manufactured. It is made of No. 14 wire and has bars three inches apart and every reel is guaranteed true to measure. We have an unlimited supply but the price is bound to advance. So act quick.



#### CUT OUT THIS COUPON

CHICAGO HOUSE WRECKING CO., - CHICAGO

I saw your full page advertisement in "Amer. Carp. & Bldr." Send me free of all cost your Large, General Catalog 742. I am interested specially in

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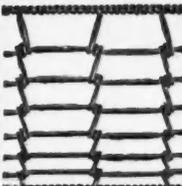
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#### Fencing

The Best Galvanized Woven steel manufactured strictly first-class; made of hard spring wire. Top and bottom wires are made of two wires twisted together to form one extra heavy coil. We can furnish in all sizes and shapes. Our special 32-inch hog fencing with stays 6 inches apart we quote at per rod 19¢. Extra heavy cattle fencing, 46 inches high, with six inch stays, per rod 34¢. Our special poultry and rabbit fencing, small enough to turn any poultry or rabbit and heavy enough to turn cattle, 48 in. high, per rod 30¢.



#### Doors & Windows

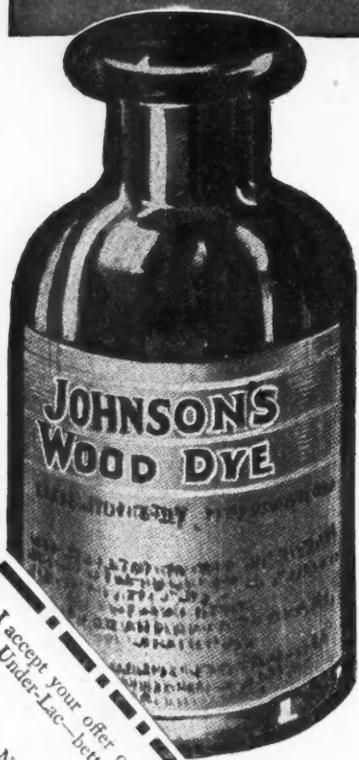
20,000 Doors and Windows, brand new, first class, at 15 to 50% saving. The most Staple Sizes are included in this lot. We also have a complete stock of Mill Work, including windows, doors, frames, interior trim, and in fact everything needed to construct or improve your building. Our Prices are Lower than you can get anywhere else. All material is first class stock of Standard Manufacturer. We will save you 40% or more. Write now.



## CHICAGO HOUSE WRECKING COMPANY, CHICAGO

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# Special Free Working Samples to You and Wood Finish



## Johnson Pays the Postage—Will

**W**E WANT you to find out at *our expense* how much better work you can do, how much time you can save, how much better satisfaction you can give your trade by using these Johnson Materials. The package we want to deliver to you, without cost, contains a generous sample of **Johnson's Wood Dye—Johnson's Plasto-Filler—Johnson's Under-Lac** and Johnson's illustrated guide book on home-beautifying, containing complete color card and full directions for finishing and refinishing wood.



## Johnson's Wood Dye

Made in 14 Standard Shades

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|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| No. 126 Light Oak   | No. 128 Light Mahogany      | No. 121 Moss Green        |
| No. 123 Dark Oak    | No. 129 Dark Mahogany       | No. 122 Forest Green      |
| No. 125 Mission Oak | No. 130 Weathered Oak       | No. 172 Flemish Oak       |
| No. 140 Manilla Oak | No. 131 Brown Weathered Oak | No. 178 Brown Flemish Oak |
| No. 110 Bog Oak     | No. 132 Green Weathered Oak |                           |

Price—(All Shades)—½-gallon size, \$1.50

When you once use Johnson's Plasto-Filler, putty or plaster of paris will never satisfy you for filling cracks, holes, crevices or depressions in walls, woodwork or floors. Comes in a handy carton. Mix Johnson's Plasto-Filler with water to the proper consistency, and apply with a putty knife.

### S. C. Johnson & Son,

"The Wood Finishing

I accept your offer of a sample of Johnson's Wood Dye, Johnson's Plasto-Filler and Johnson's Under-Lac—better than varnish or shellac—also book edition ACR 10

**PLEASE USE THIS FREE COUPON**

Name.....

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# The Offer of Painters, Decorators Everywhere.

**You Send Your Name and Address Now?**

**Y**OU have a perfect, non-shrinking, adhesive filler that will not shrink, crack or come out of place. Johnson's Plasto-Filler retails at 20c per pound for the one and two-pound packages and in bulk at 15c per pound. It costs less per pound than other fillers and a pound will go twice as far.

## Johnson's Plasto-Filler

is entirely different from any filler on the market. Try it and see.

We want you to know, too, how much better Johnson's Under-Lac is than shellac or varnish. It forms a thin, hard, glossy, elastic veneer over the wood, which will not show scratches, water-stains or heel-marks. One coat of

## Johnson's Under-Lac

and one coat of varnish will give a higher gloss and more durable finish than three coats of varnish without the Under-Lac. For a higher gloss we recommend a coat of Under-Lac over Wood Dye or Paste Wood Filler, and then one coat of Johnson's Prepared Wax, for that "hand-rubbed" effect. Price \$2.50 per gallon.

Now, it is a generous sample of these three articles which we send you, entirely free and post-paid; also our text book on the proper treatment of floors, woodwork and furniture.

Don't forget to mention the color of Dye you want.

**Racine, Wis.**

Authorities"



builders try to put up their buildings with air spaces in walls.) All concrete blocks are made with hollow air spaces on the Besser machines. A wall built of Besser blocks is therefore almost impervious to heat, cold or moisture (since air is practically a non-conductor of these elements). The air space keeps the cold from passing in, conversely the heat from passing in during the hot summer months.

The result is a cooler house in summer, and not only a warmer house in winter, but a house that costs less to heat by 25 per cent, and 25 per cent off your fuel bill means a considerable saving in the course of time.

Ventilation is another advantage of hollow block construction. A thorough circulation of air may be established through the air spaces and thus take off the noxious gases and vapor of the air. Another advantage is that the air space may be used without extra expense for all wiring, piping, etc.

The cost of building operations with blocks is cheaper than with any other material. There are no painting bills. A mason or bricklayer can lay blocks much cheaper than brick to fill the same space. With the blocks in place there need never be anything more done to the exterior of the house.

Concrete blocks, by applying a thin facing to the exterior, can be made to give any desired appearance or any desired color.

The plasticity of concrete allows of any form or ornament being used.

The use of cement blocks for building purposes is in its infancy. It will grow by leaps and bounds during the next few years. Two hundred dollars, and even less, is all that is necessary to start in the business of manufacturing cement products.

With this small outlay you will be able to compete with, and undersell, in most cases, manufacturers of pressed brick and

stone. You can add the extra machines your business demands as it grows—out of the profits. Others have done this. Why not you?

### Simonds Saws Win Grand Prize

The jury of awards who examined the exhibits and rendered decisions on the saw displays at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, Seattle, Wash., had a very difficult job on its hands, as there was keen competition for first honors among the four firms exhibiting. The jury was composed of five men selected on account of their thorough knowledge of the general steel business. All of them might be called experts in their particular lines. Their deliberations required several days' time and the result, which awarded to Simonds saws the grand prize and to the other three an equal division of second prize, was based on careful tests of the saws, also on a knowledge of the high general reputation of the Simonds saw line throughout the lumber industry.

### New 36-Inch Band Re-Saw

The accompanying engraving represents the Defiance Machine Company's new No. 6, 36-inch band, scroll, rip and re-sawing machine, which is a most conveniently arranged tool for doing various kinds of band scroll sawing, ripping and re-sawing lumber. It is a combination of three machines in one, and it can be changed in a few moments' time from one class of work to the other. It has proven to be a general favorite among woodworkers. It is suited to the very finest scroll sawing required in piano and organ factories, pattern shops, fancy woodworkers, etc., as well as the heavier kinds of work such as sawing plow beams, wagon and carriage wood stock, agricultural implement parts, ship and car work. All the adjustments of this machine are so perfect that it can

## Fresh Water or Tank Water in Your Home?



There is only one domestic water system that distributes water under pressure, direct from the source of supply to the faucets, without a storage tank. FRESH WATER at all times, continuous supply to any height, with a steady, even pressure at the faucets, with the lowest cost of operation, and no unsightly water tank to mar the beauty of the grounds—these combined advantages can be had **only** with the

### PERRY PNEUMATIC WATER SYSTEM

In all other systems pressure is created by forcing into a tank a large **reserve supply of water**, which is stored for varying lengths of time until used.

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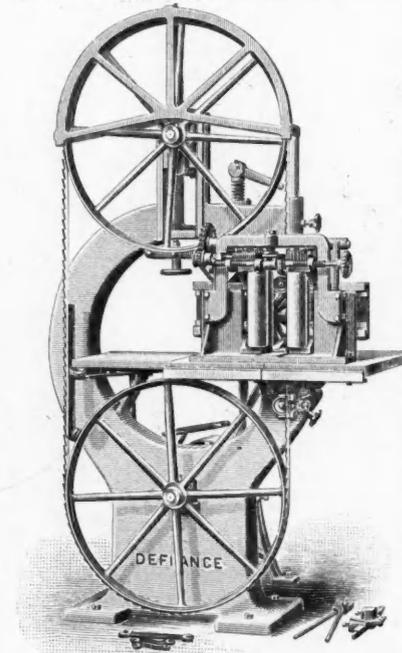
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They make a full line of shingle, edger and heading saws, special attention being given to the grinding and straightening of same. They also manufacture a full line of circular knives for cutting cloth, cork, etc., circular milling saws and cutters, saw mandrels and planer knives. However, a large part of the product of their factory consists of special saws, including turned or beveled face saws for cutting beading, molding or special shaped grooves, and lock corner cutters with teeth of same relieved so as to do away with all friction when in operation; special hollow ground saws for smooth cutting either with or across grain, and the same kind of a saw made with combination tooth so that it can be used to cut both with or across the grain, which saw is especially desirable when a little of each is necessary and the operator cannot take time to change the saw as is the case in pattern shops and packing rooms.

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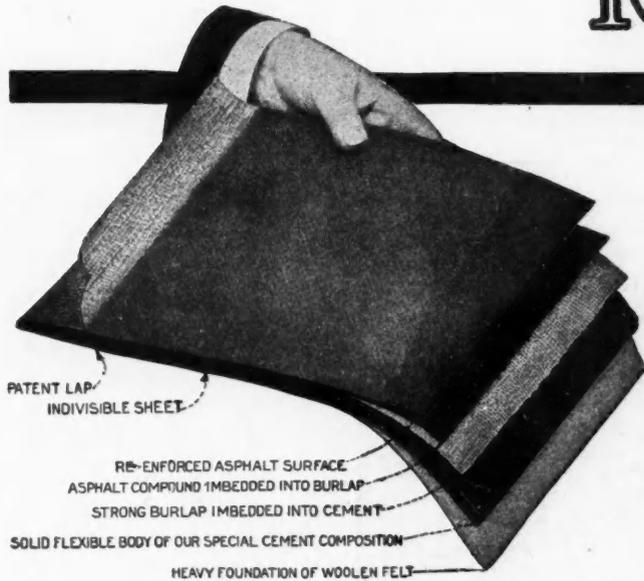
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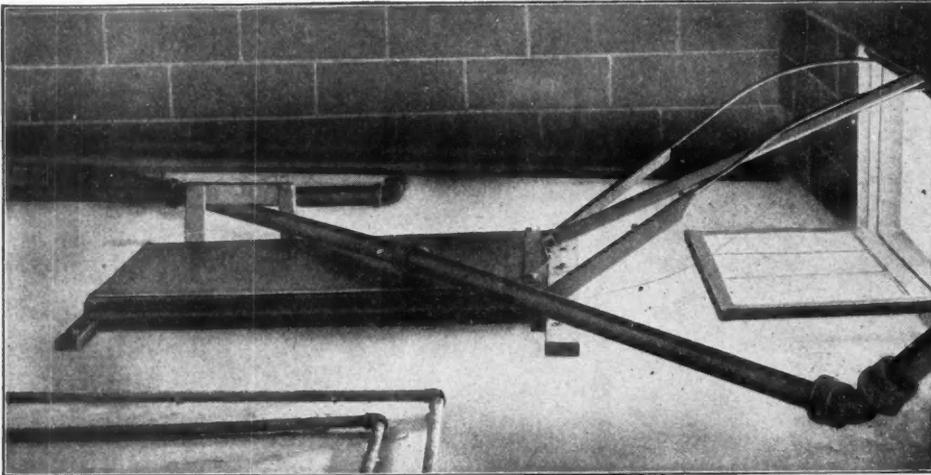
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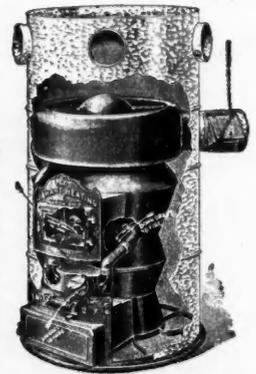
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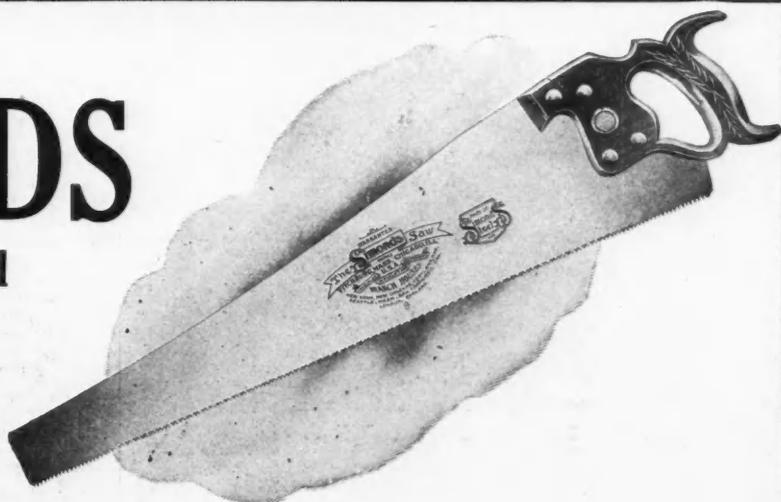
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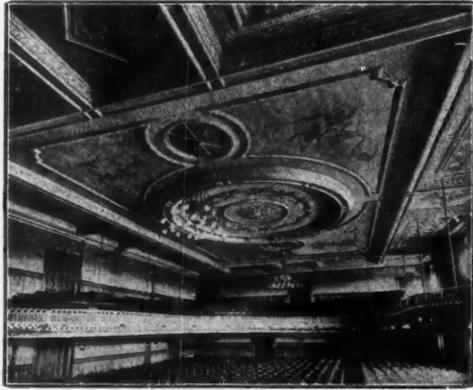
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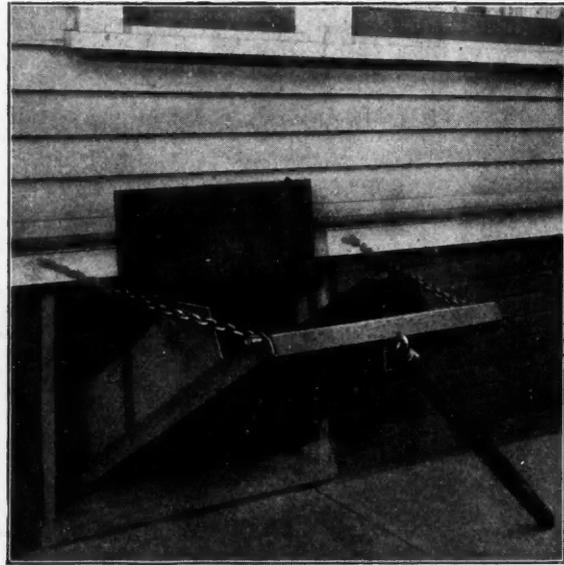
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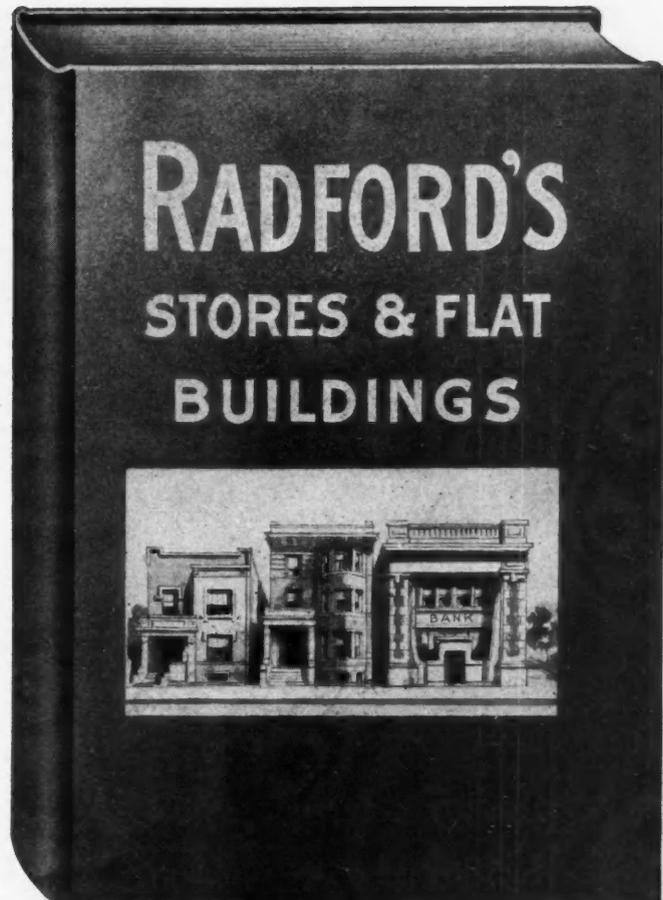
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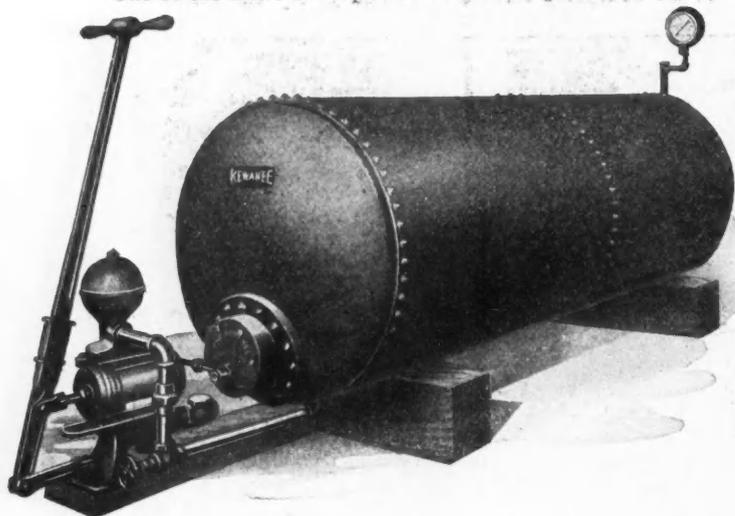


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### Kewanee Water Supply

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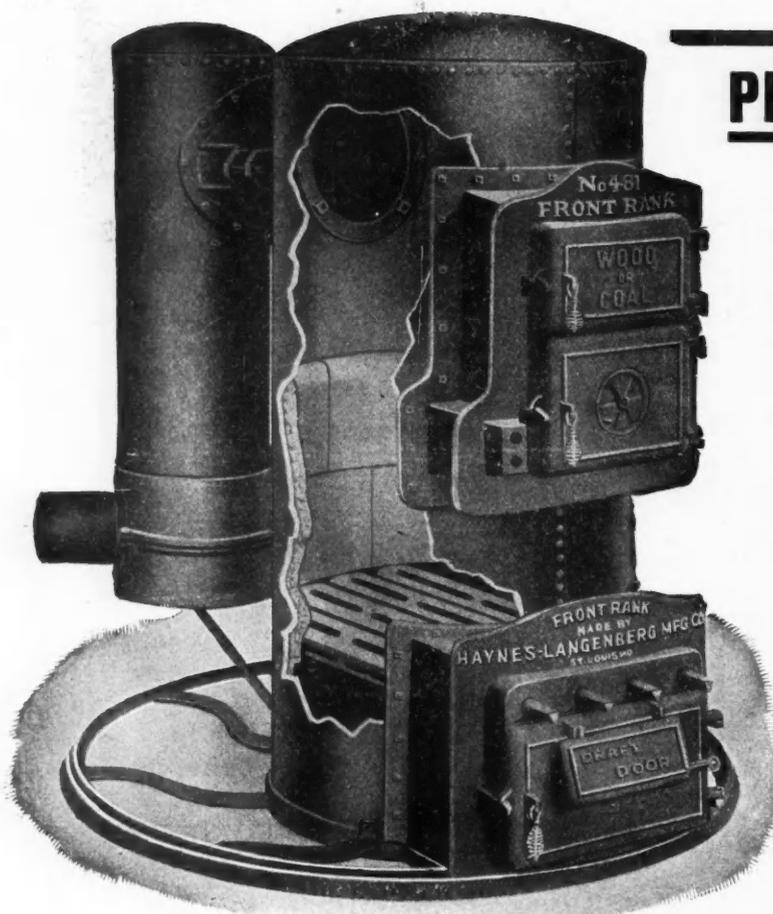
water supply systems. It has come to be pretty thoroughly realized that all the building trades are benefited through the developments and improvements in any one of them. In other words, when a man is building for himself he should be counseled on all sides to *build well*, to put in all modern conveniences so that his home will be permanently satisfactory. He should be urged to do this even in spite of the increased cost which it entails; he will never regret the investment.

Just as any one who has lived in a furnace heated house would not be content now to go back to the old time stove system, so no home builder should now be satisfied with the old-fashioned well pump or attic tank water system.

We would call the attention of the readers of this journal to the pneumatic pressure tank system of the Kewanee Water Supply Company, Kewanee, Ill. The accompanying cut shows a water supply plant of this company including a hand force pump. It is the complete pneumatic water supply outfit including tank, hand pump, connections and supports. Gasoline engines, windmills, electric pumping outfits, etc., can also be used with this water system. Further information concerning this modern system can be gained from the page advertisement of this company in another part of this magazine. All those interested should write for the beautifully illustrated, 64-page, general descriptive catalogue of this system. Address the Kewanee Water Supply Company, Kewanee, Illinois.

### Jahant Furnace Sold Under New Plan

The Jahant Heating Company of Akron, O., is placing a complete heating system on the market. Furnace, pipings,



## PEOPLE WILL TALK

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**W**ITHOUT DOUBT many readers have in the past wished to be successful, first-class Draftsmen and Building Designers, and probably often looked for a long time at plans and drawings, trying very hard to figure out certain lines, or had experienced an intense desire to be able to do the best drawing in best



F. V. DOBE

up-to-date manner; and many men in most any kind of business, especially in Architectural lines, have often felt greatly embarrassed because unable to read even a simple sketch or unable to make any kind of businesslike drawing.

No Carpenter is first-class and competent unless he is an A-1 Draftsman in addition. Without this knowledge he can never rise any higher and will remain only a Carpenter paid by the hour or day.

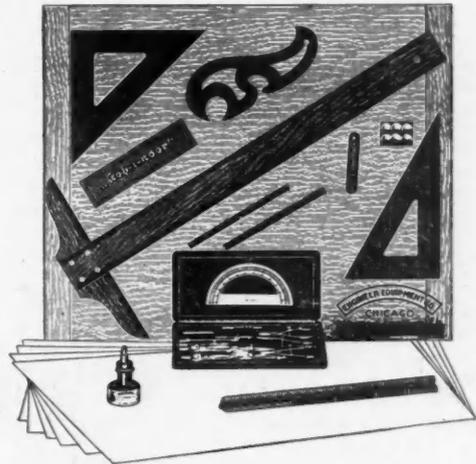
To become a successful Draftsman it is necessary, first of all, to receive the most practical and personal training. Not a lot of school or book knowledge, but practical Drafting room work.

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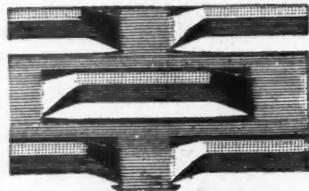
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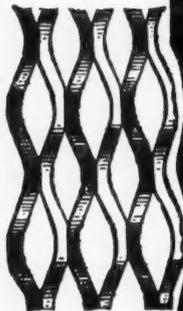
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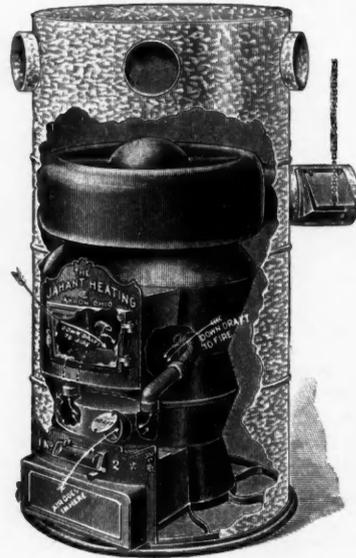
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boxes, radiators, registers and even the tools to install the outfit are included in the shipment direct from factory to builder.



With a vibratory grate added that does away with a lot of labor in operating the "digestive" apparatus, and many other new features, the Jahant Company still makes the down draft feature of their furnace a leading argument. In fact it ranks next to their biggest feature, a new selling plan that enables them to sell direct to the builder—whether he be a contractor or simply erecting his own home.

The "down draft" feature of the Jahant

down draft furnace is exclusive and always has been, because of letters patent that fully protect it. It saves 25 per cent consumption of fuel and gives heat in every room of the house.

The furnace is so devised that it provides for the introduction of warm air above the fire instead of cold air below it. The draft is downward through the fire, resulting in perfect combustion and allowing complete control of combustion. People who have grown to look upon coal men as devouring ogres, can readily appreciate the value of such a device as a saver of fuel bills and perceive its qualities as a simplifier of operation. The Jahant burns up every bit of fuel and, because it burns just as well when well filled with ashes as at any other time, obviates the necessity of frequent cleaning.

It is made of cast-iron on the principle that the best furnace is the heaviest furnace—the one that has the most metal in the parts that are subject to wear and corrosion.

The new selling plan enables the Jahant Company to give the purchaser of a Jahant down draft furnace a year's trial, free of charge. If it proves unsatisfactory after having been installed as the company directs, it can be returned without costing the buyer a cent.

The company prepares the system according to blue prints based on drawings and measurements furnished by the buyer. The latter, with the aid of the blue prints and full printed directions provided by the company, and all material at hand, tagged and numbered, cannot fail to get his apparatus installed correctly. And he has the satisfaction of knowing that his heating system is planned on correct principles and worked out according to scientific measurements. There is no guess work about it. This ought to appeal to contractors and builders who have hitherto had to depend on sub-contracting when it came to installing furnaces.

Mr. H. S. McGill, general manager of the Jahant Heating Company, says that the adoption of this plan has resulted in a cessation of complaints, whereas, under the old plan, they multiplied continually.

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A non-storage water system, lately put on the market, is being used extensively in homes beyond reach of municipal water mains.

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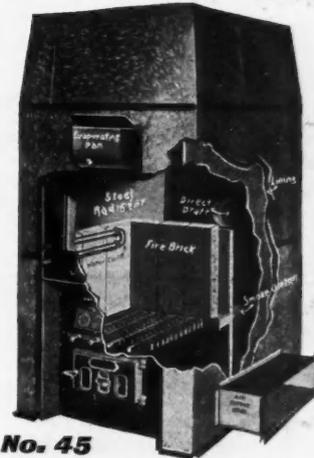
The booklet, **"These Bear Witness,"** gives the names and addresses of hundreds of people in every state and territory (many of them, perhaps, your neighbors) who have, and are using the Hess Steel Furnace and outfit, and to whom we refer as to the success of our heater and the advantages we offer to buyers.



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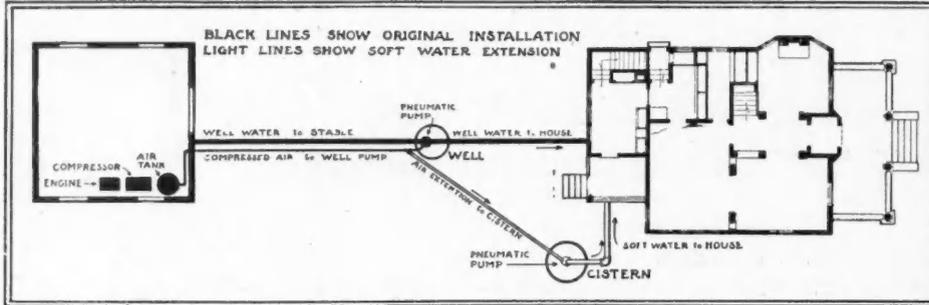
keeping a steady pressure throughout the system. The pump operates, and air is used, only when a faucet is opened.

Unlike all other independent water systems the Perry system does not store water at any point. It does away with the great storage tank and delivers water direct from the

One can easily appreciate, then, the need of a fresh water system, and this is what has been accomplished by the invention of the pneumatic pump and, from the fact that these pumps are already installed in some of the finest homes in the country, it is readily seen that there are well founded

reasons for not using water that has stood for days—and sometimes weeks—in an insanitary storage tank.

The element of “elasticity” in the Perry pneumatic water system is perhaps its strongest feature in point of practicability. If a Perry system has been installed to supply well water, and at any time it is desired to have soft water in the house, it is merely necessary to add the required



well. A comparatively small reservoir is used to store air only, in order that the air compressor need not run continuously.

In order to get the required pressure from a “compression tank” system, it is necessary to store vastly more water than is needed for immediate use and, while the service is usually satisfactory, the fact remains that water stored in a tank is never fresh water.

There is always an accumulation of sediment and often slime and in many of these tanks inadequate provision is made for cleaning. As a rule the manufacturers depreciate the importance of this point, claiming that enough air is forced into the tank with the water to keep it fresh, forming a process of aeration, but this is hardly borne out in fact and seems to be a defense of an admitted evil. One has only to witness the cleaning of one of these tanks to be convinced that aeration has its limitations.

air and water piping and a pneumatic pump for the cistern; or, more wells may be added to the water supply, making the system as extensive as there is need for, using the one original power station. The diagram shows the layout of such a system.

Full particulars of this system may be had by writing to the United Pump and Power Company, 485 Old Colony Building, Chicago.

**Schuler-Mueller Company—Ornamental Glass**

The accompanying illustration is a reproduction of a page taken from the art glass catalogue issued by the Schuler-Mueller Company, southeast corner State and Kinzie streets, Chicago, Ill., one of the largest manufacturers of art glass in the west. We find them comfortably settled in their new shop where they have acquired double the working space they had

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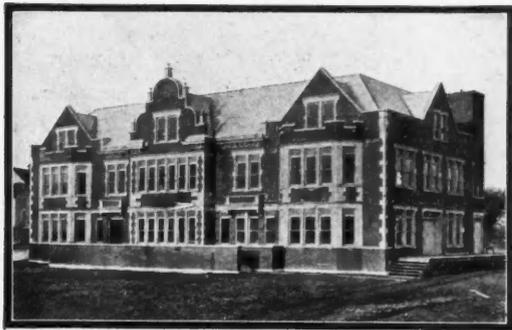
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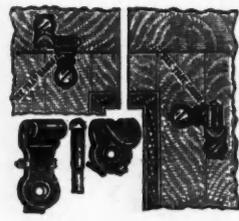
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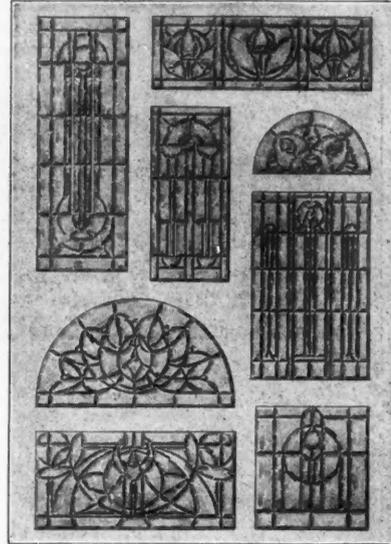
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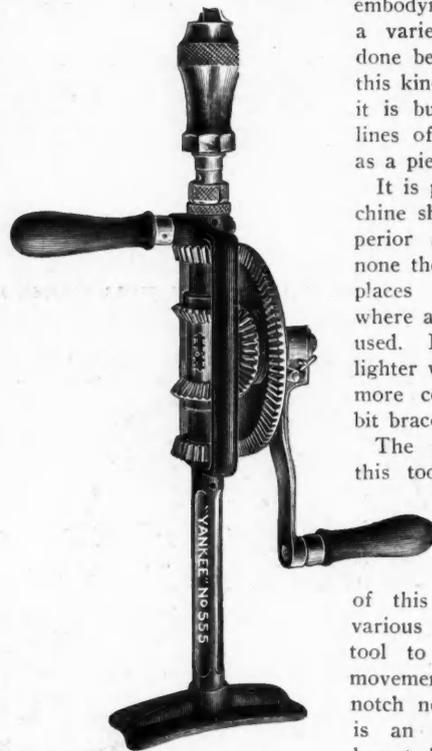
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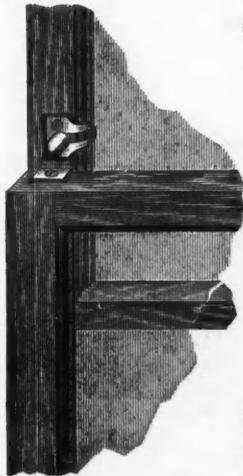
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The peculiar feature of this tool is found in the shifter on cylinder between the small gears. The mere movement of this shifter in the various notches causes the tool to perform different movements. In the first notch nearest the chuck it is an ordinary or plain breast drill. In the second

notch it becomes a left hand ratchet useful in removing



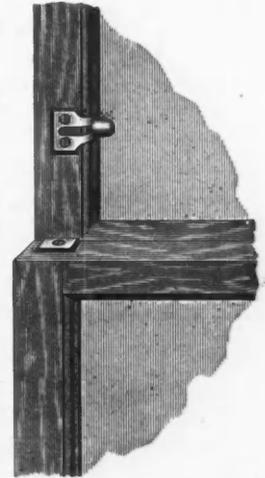
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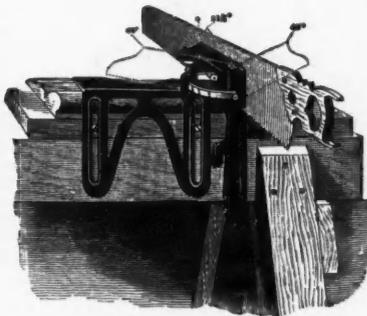
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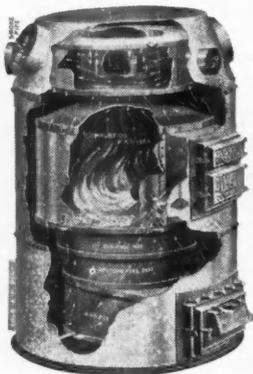


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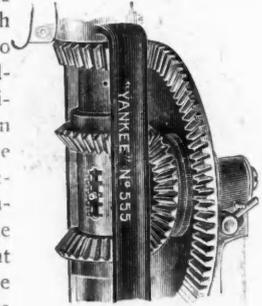
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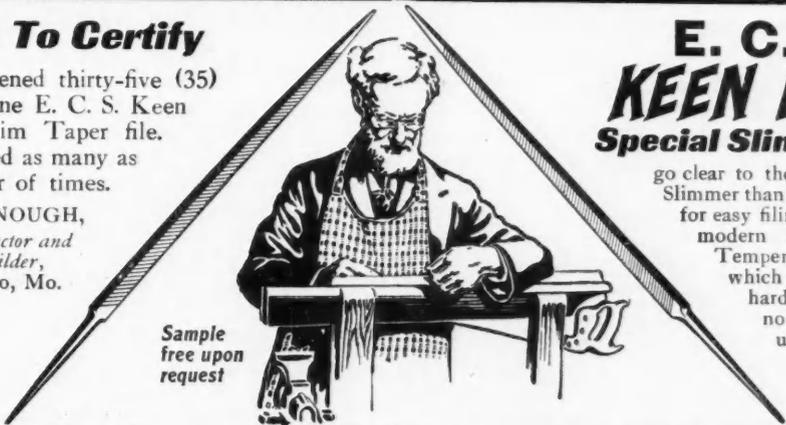
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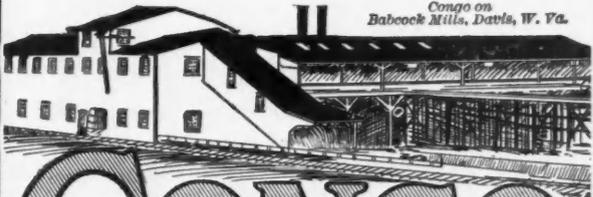
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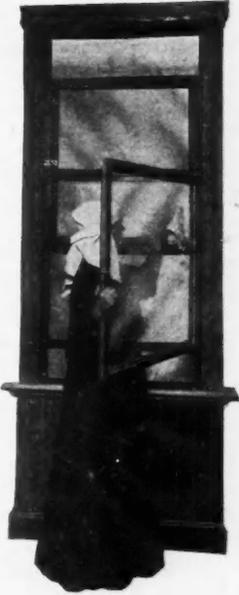


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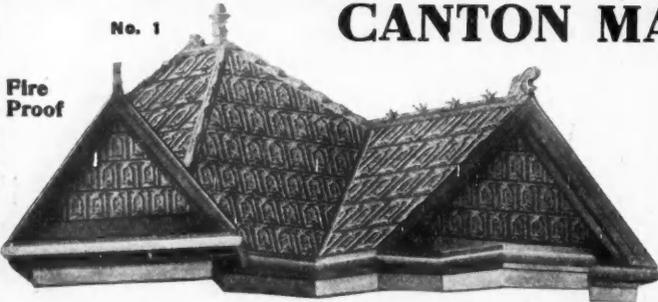
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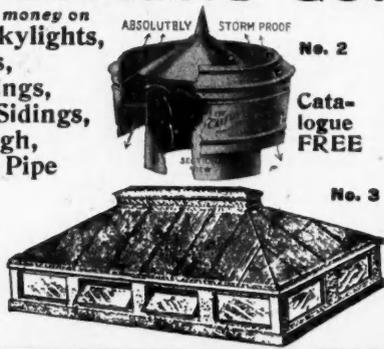
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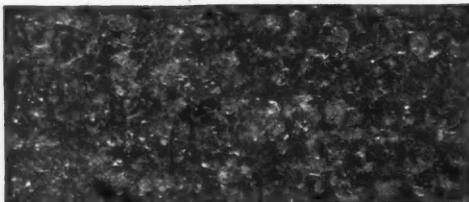
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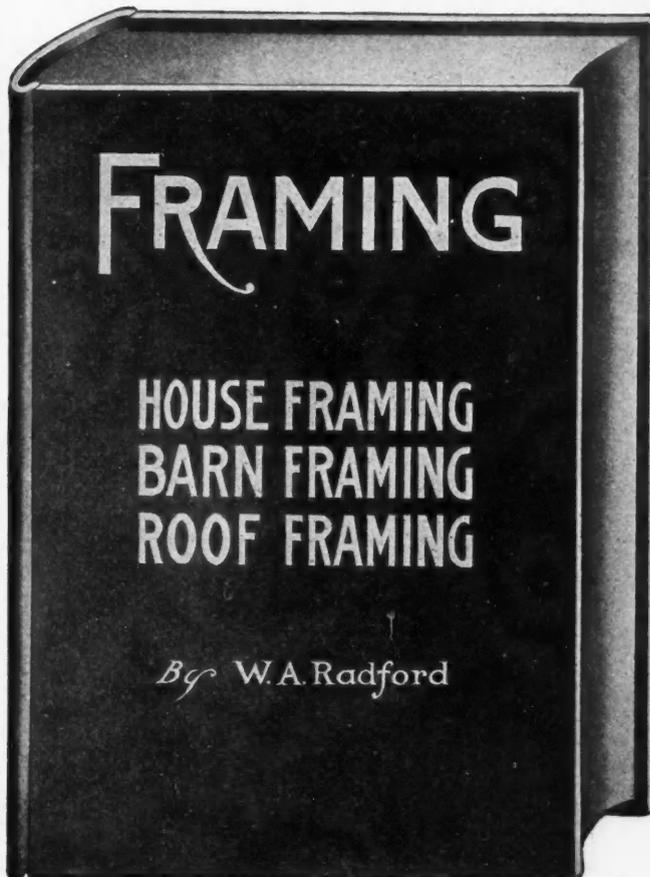
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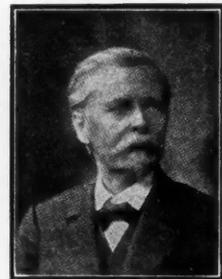
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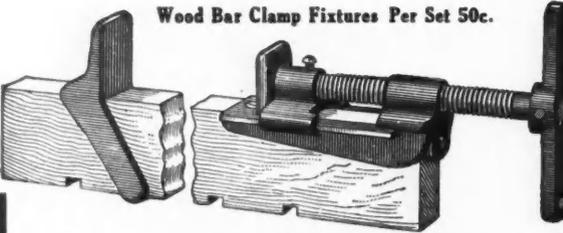
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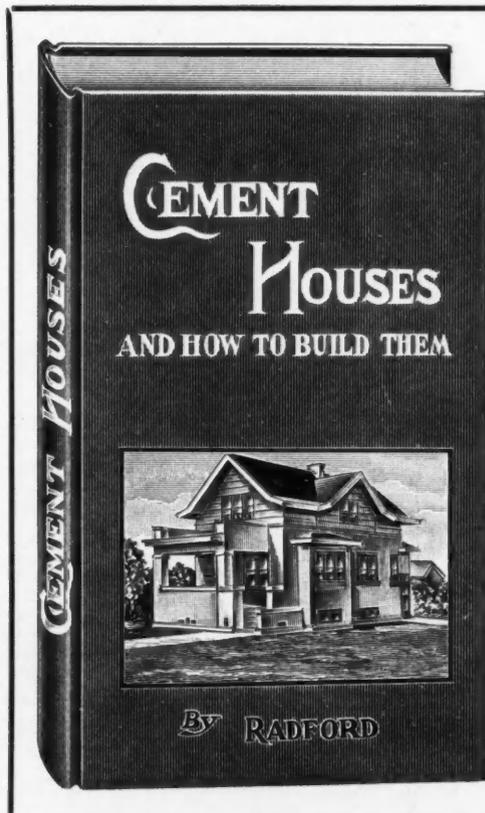
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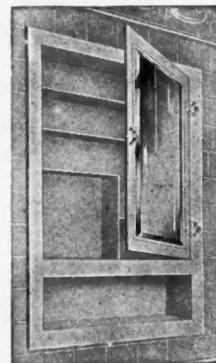
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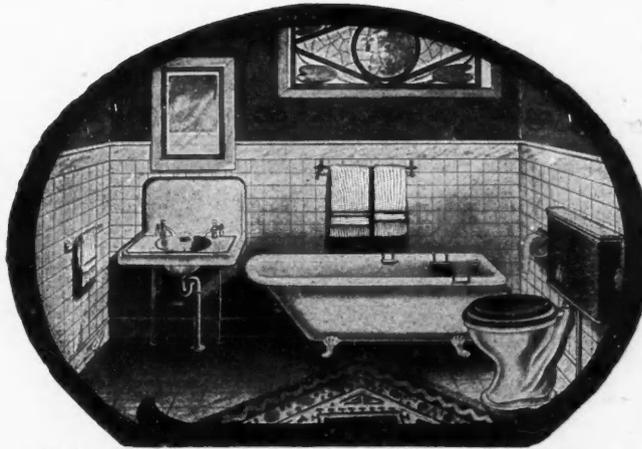
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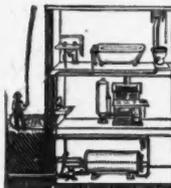
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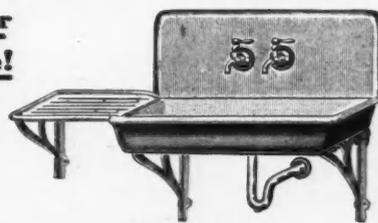
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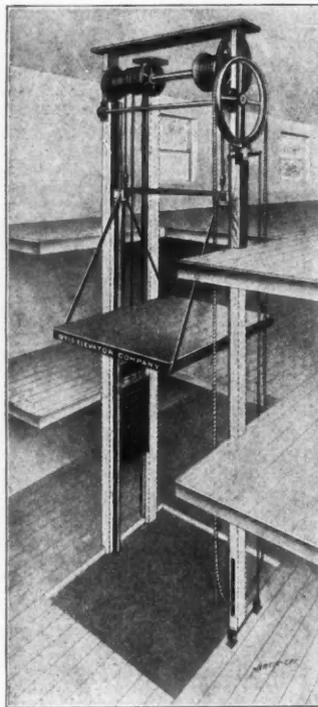
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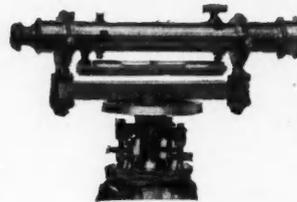
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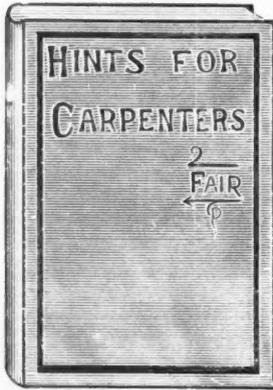
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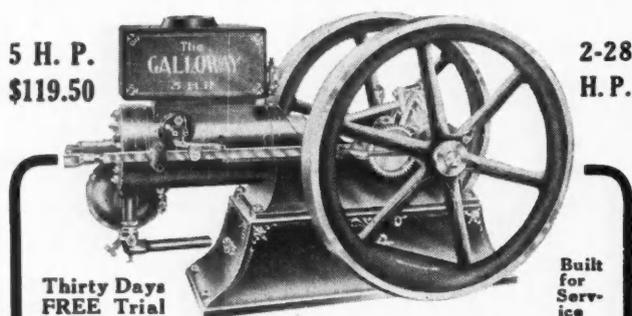
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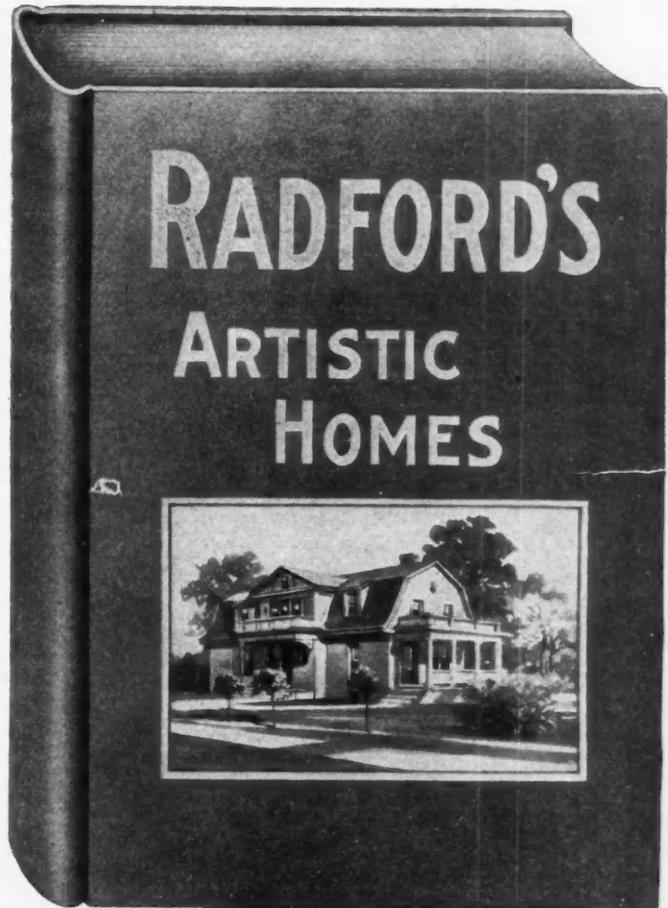
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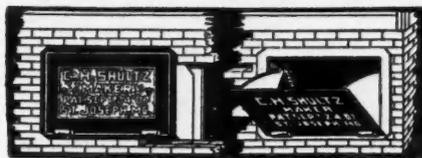
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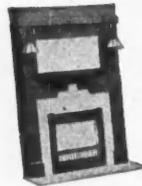
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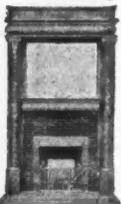
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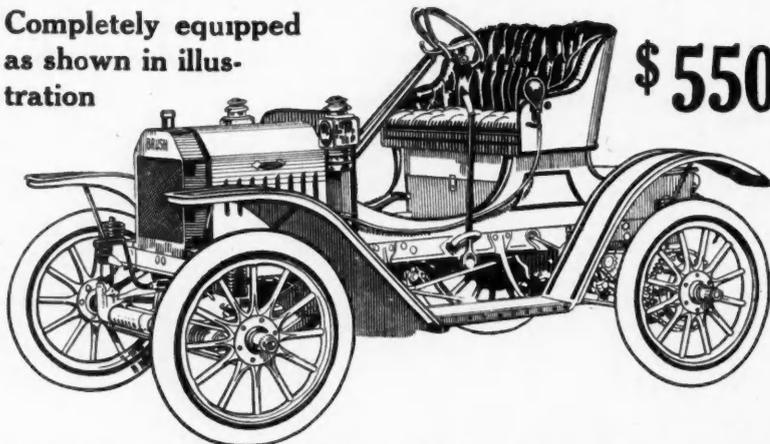
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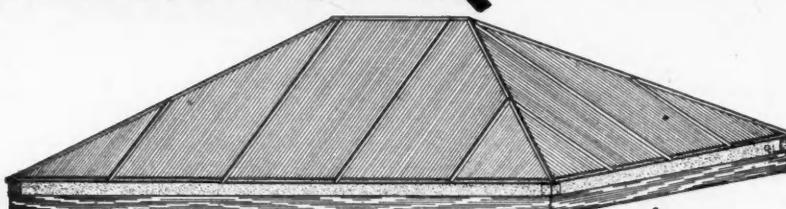
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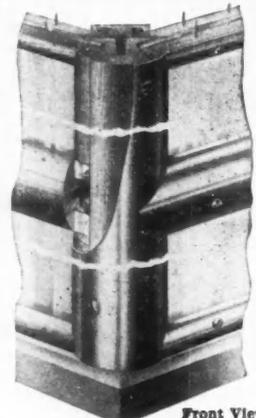
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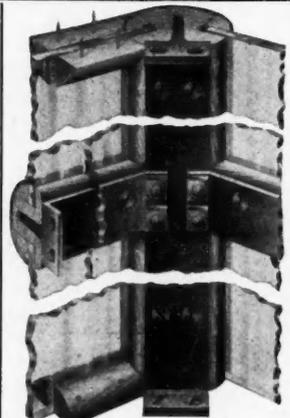


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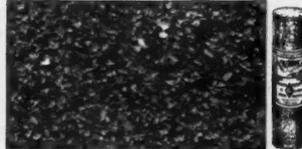
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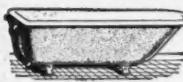
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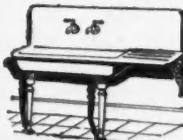
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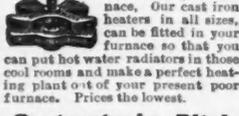
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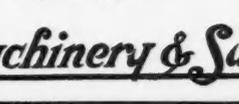
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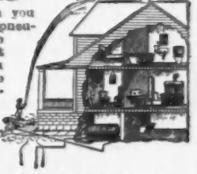
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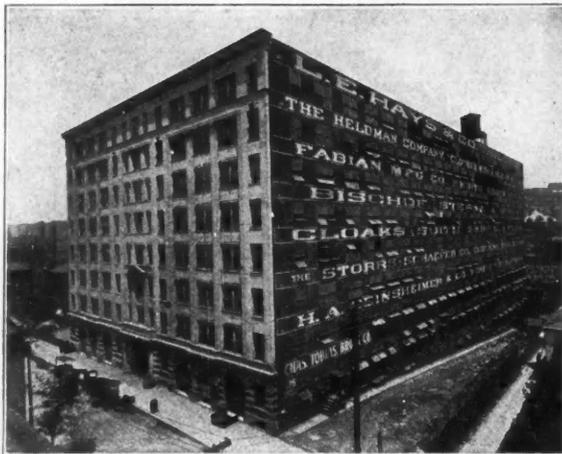
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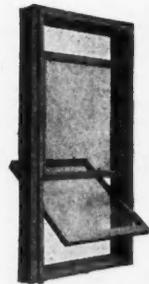
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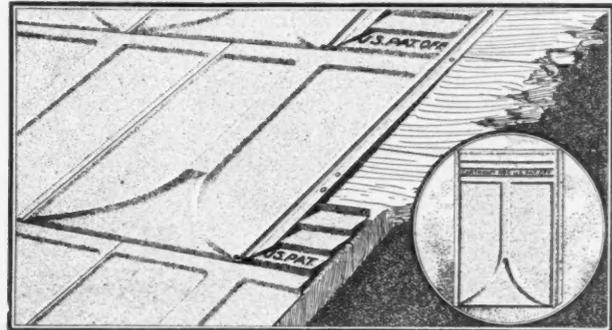
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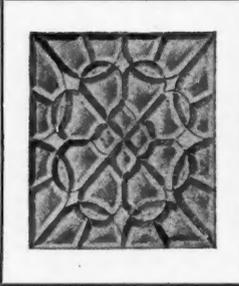
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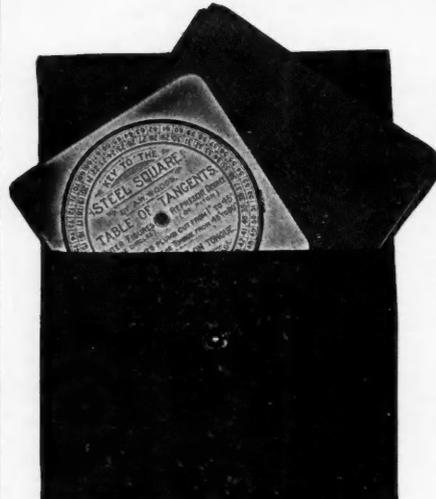
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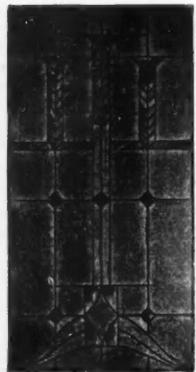
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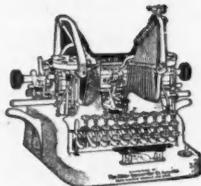
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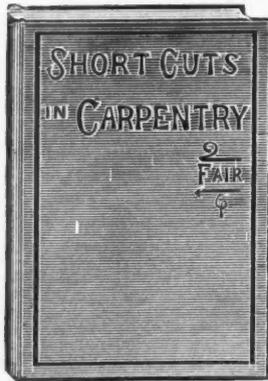
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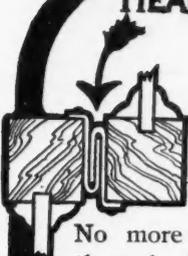
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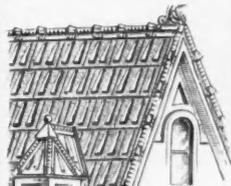
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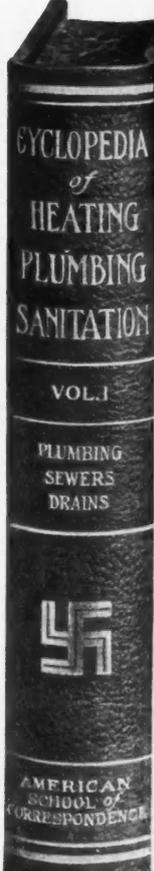
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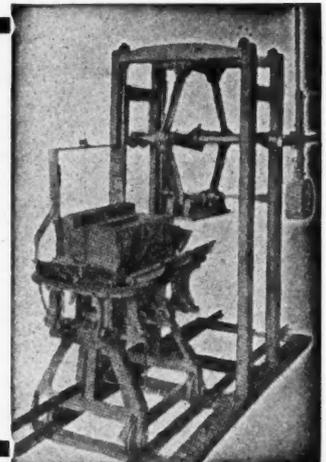
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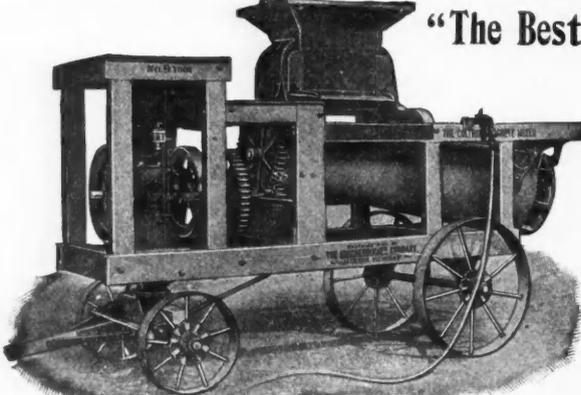
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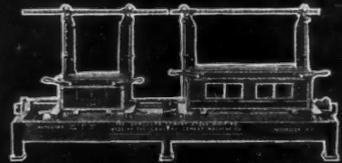
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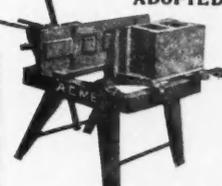
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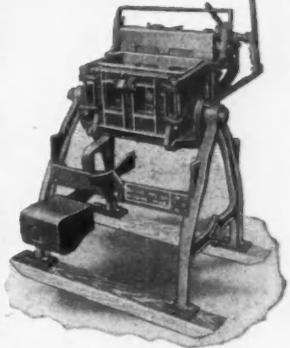
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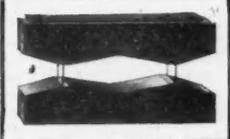
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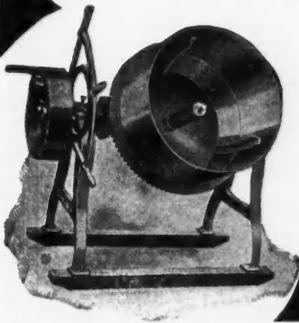
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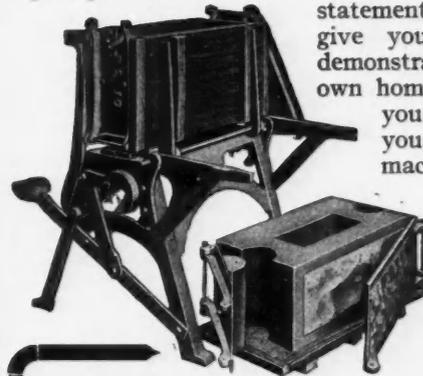
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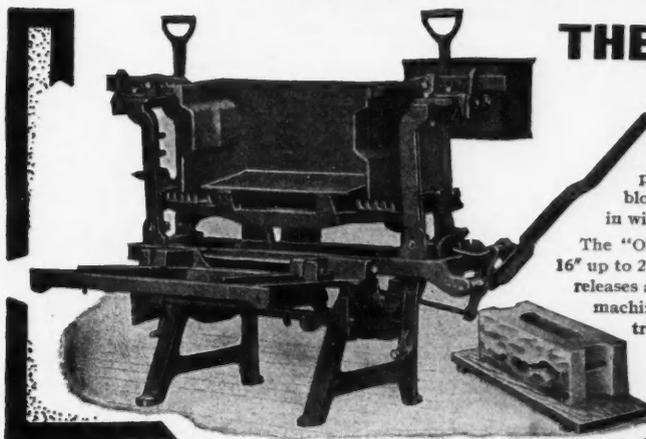
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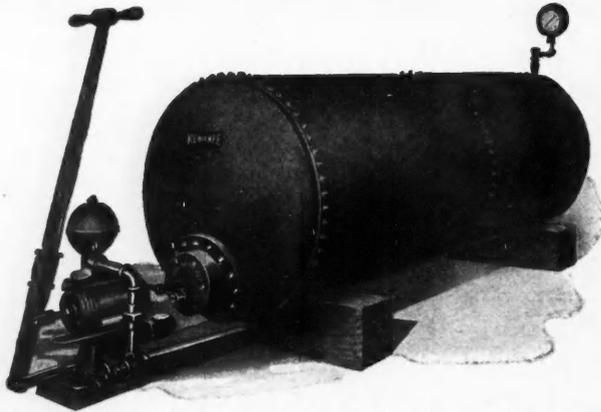
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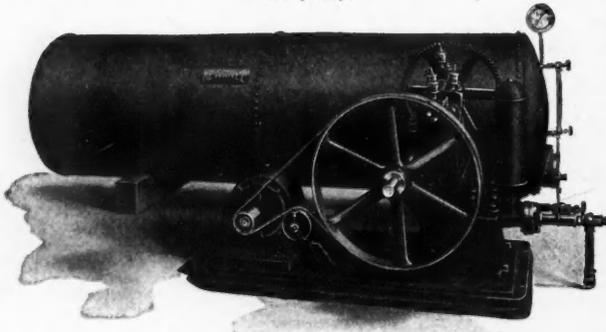
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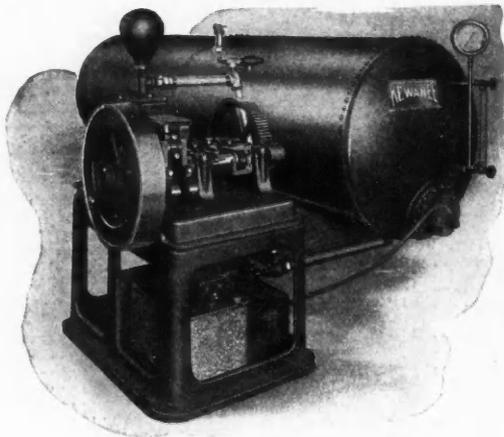
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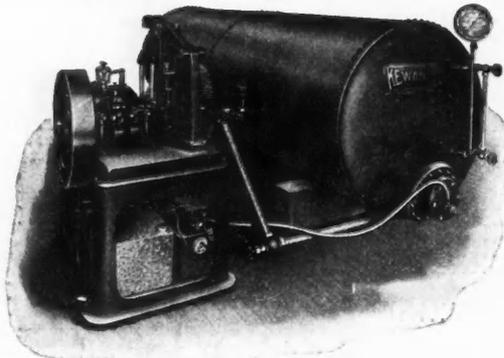
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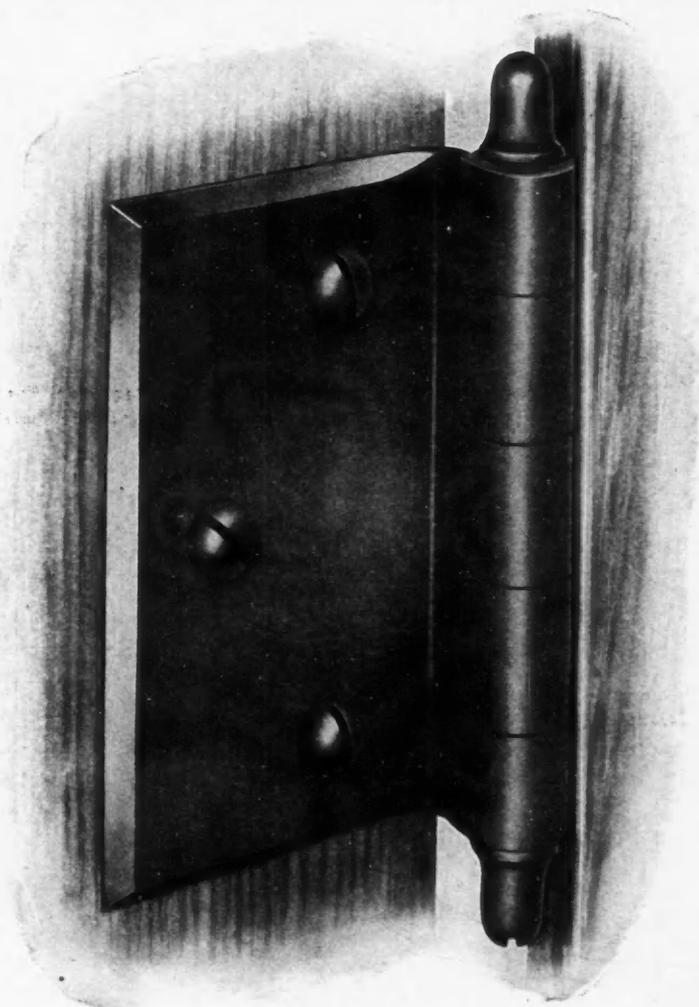
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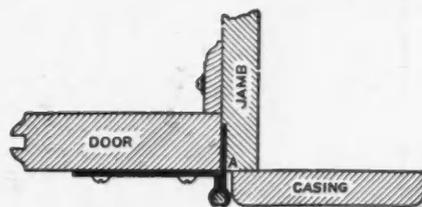
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