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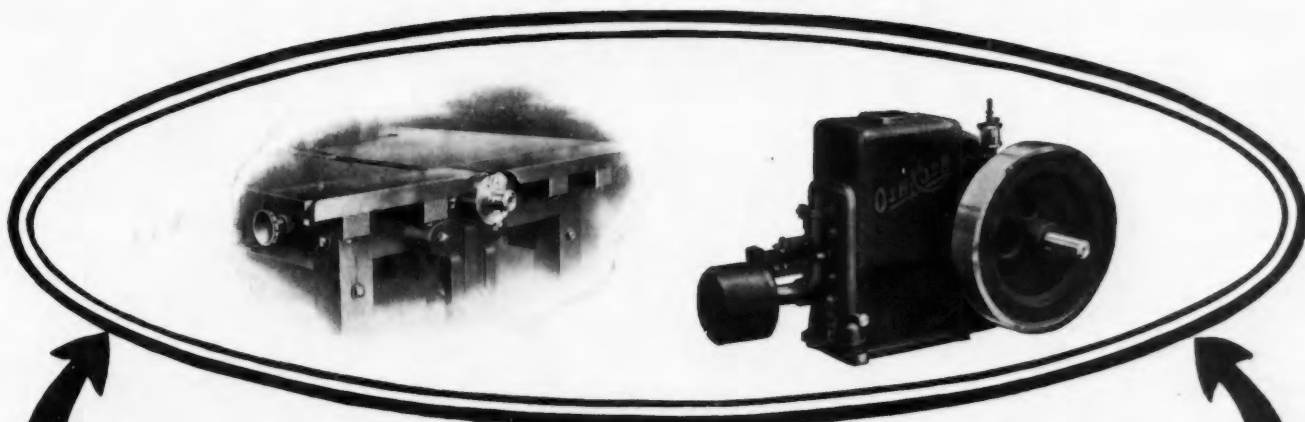
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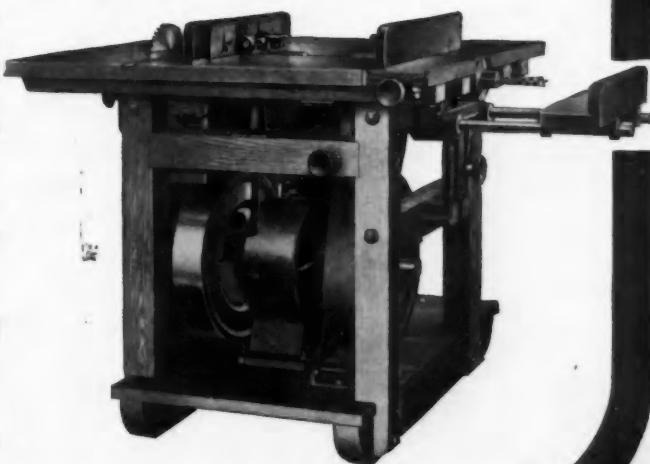
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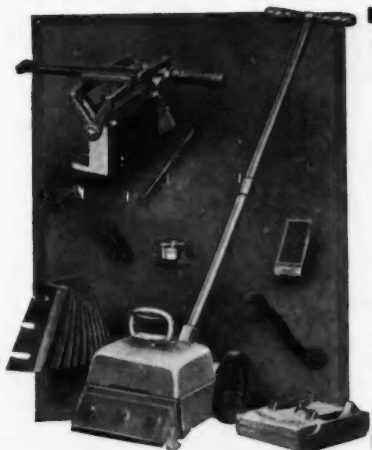
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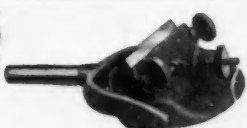
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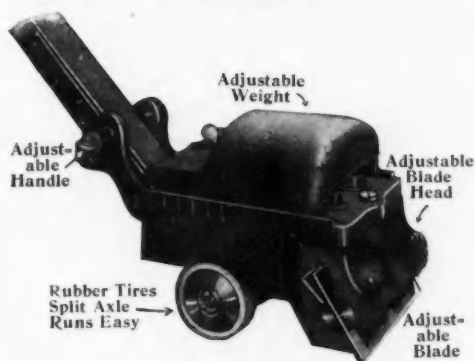
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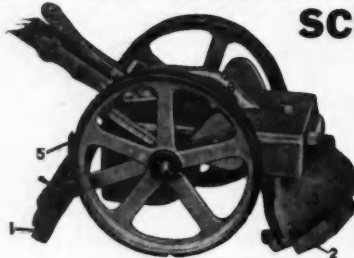


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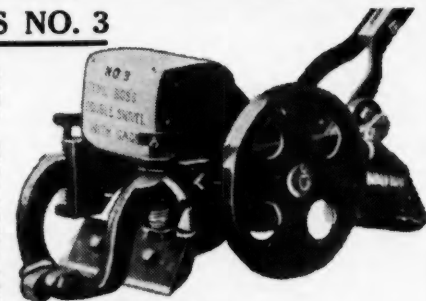
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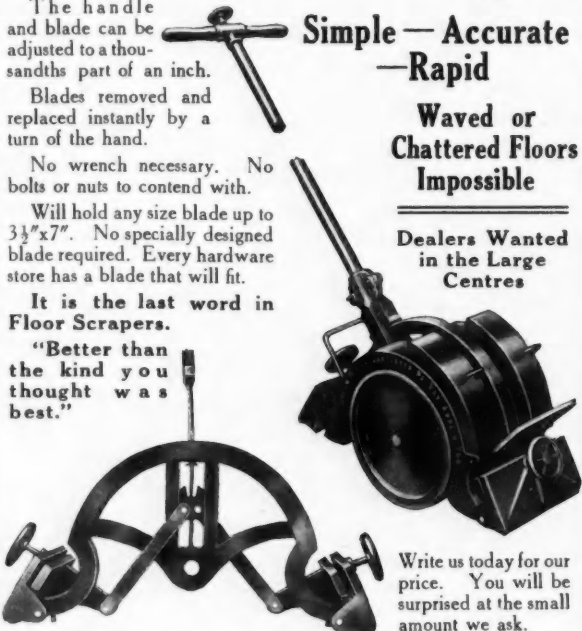
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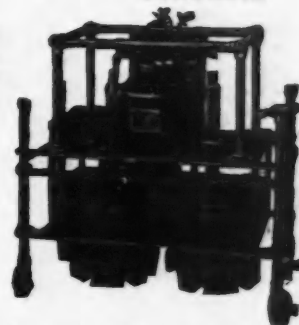
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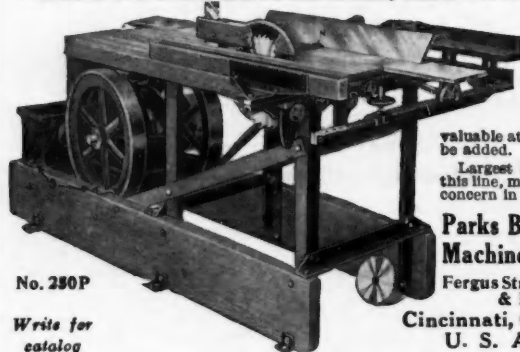
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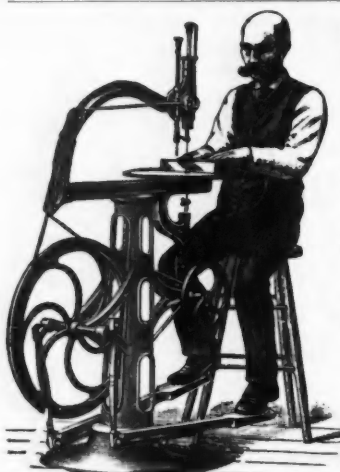
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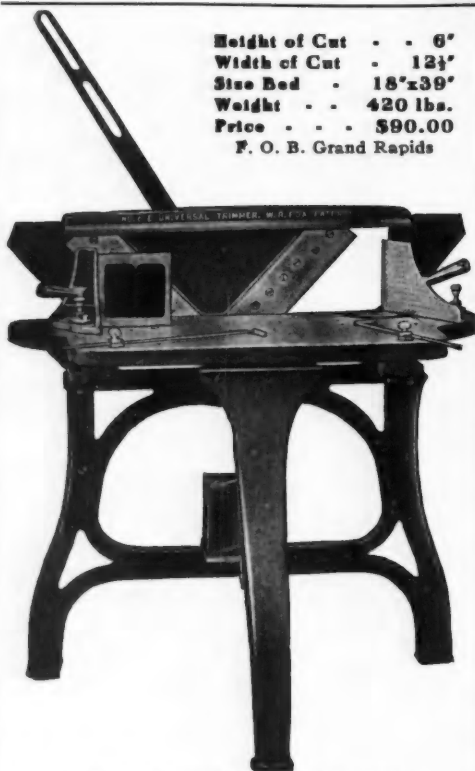
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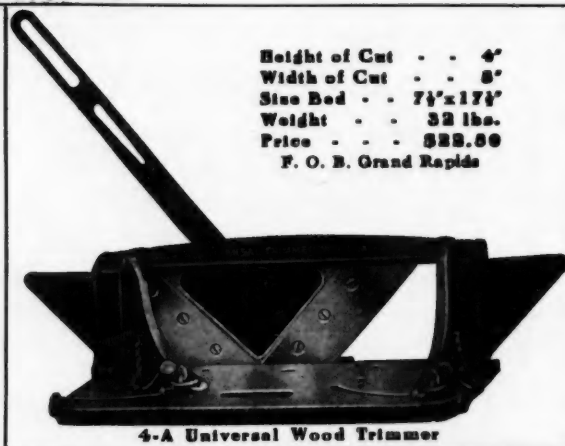
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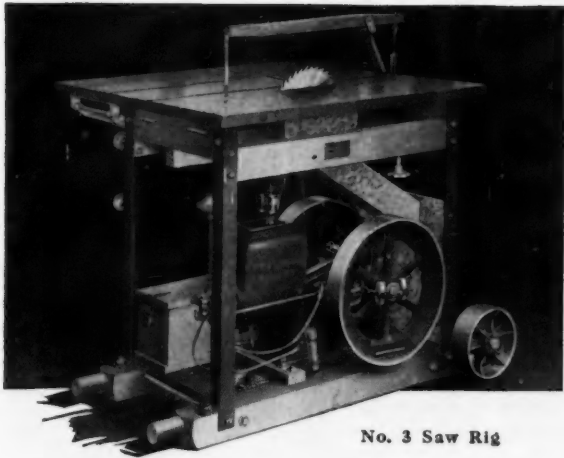
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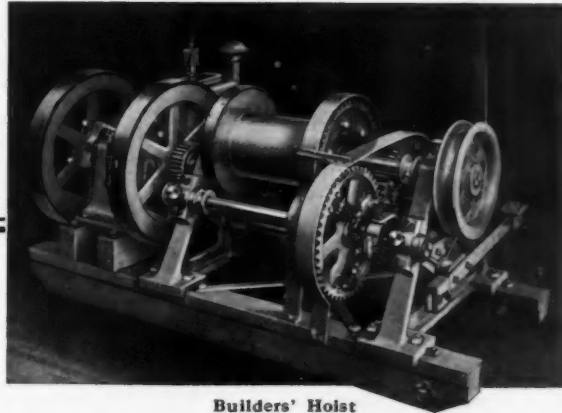
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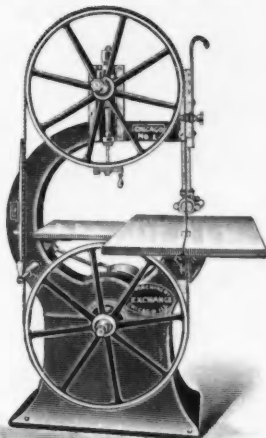
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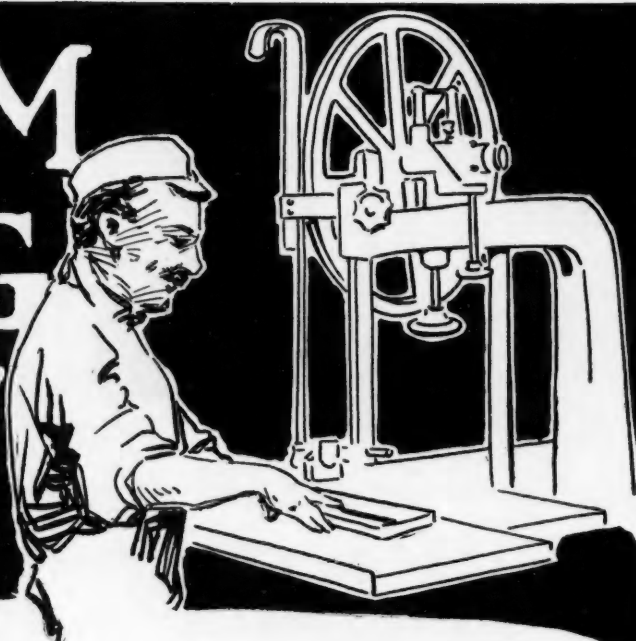
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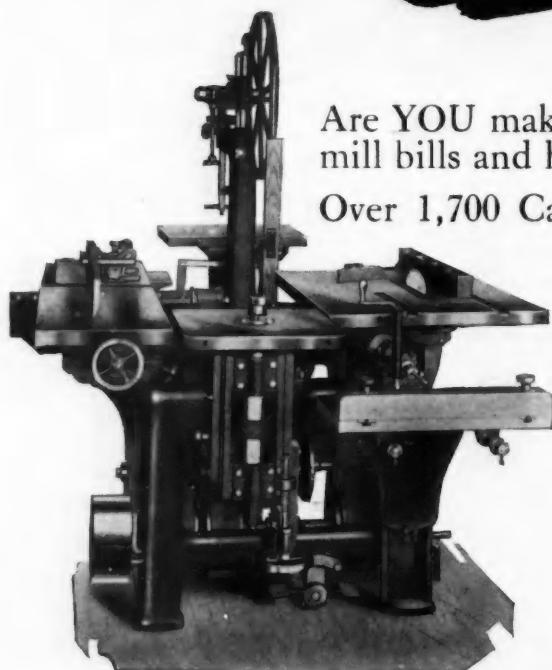
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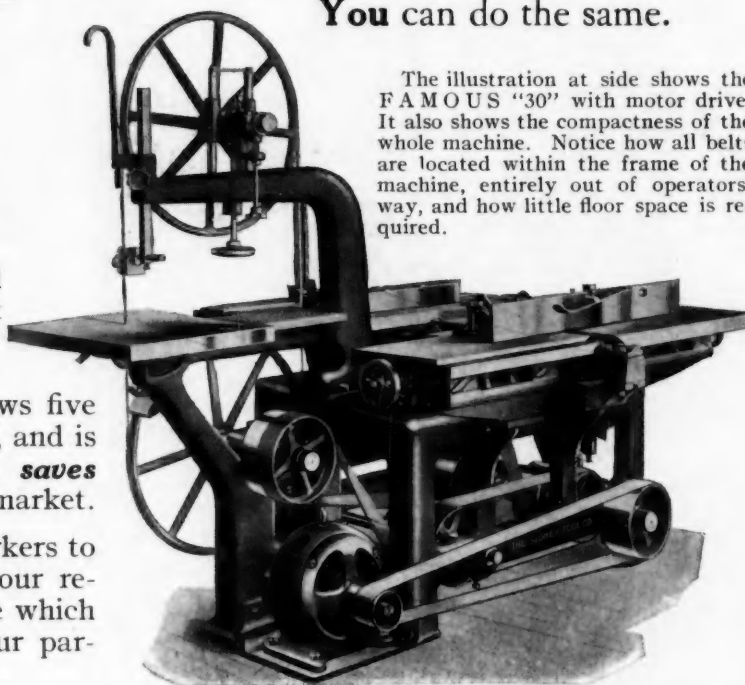
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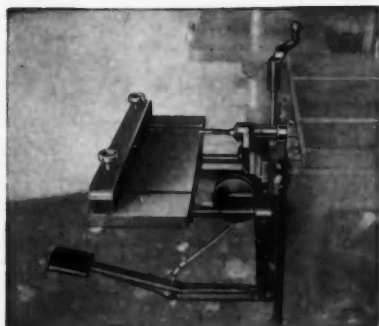
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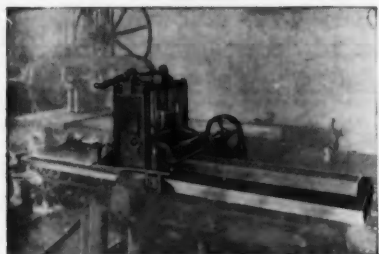
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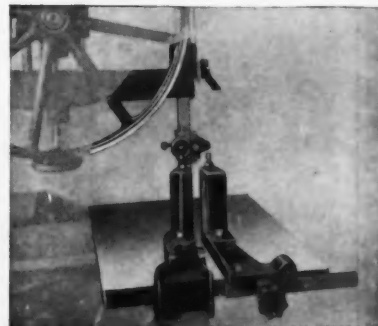
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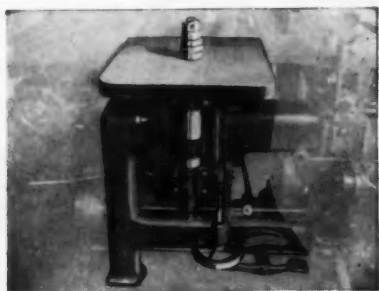


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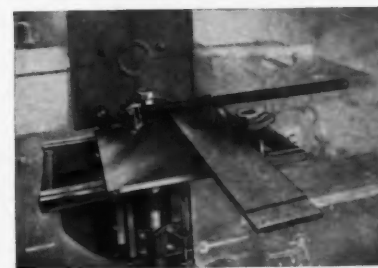
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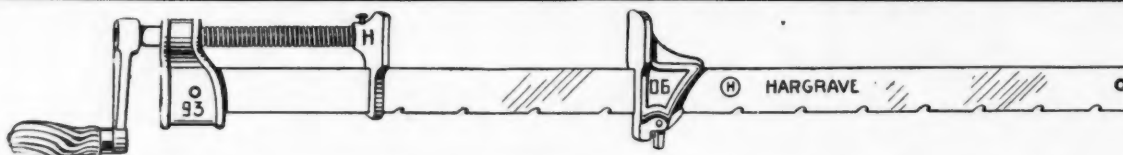
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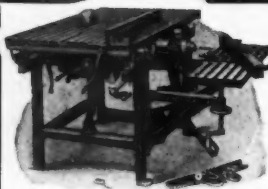


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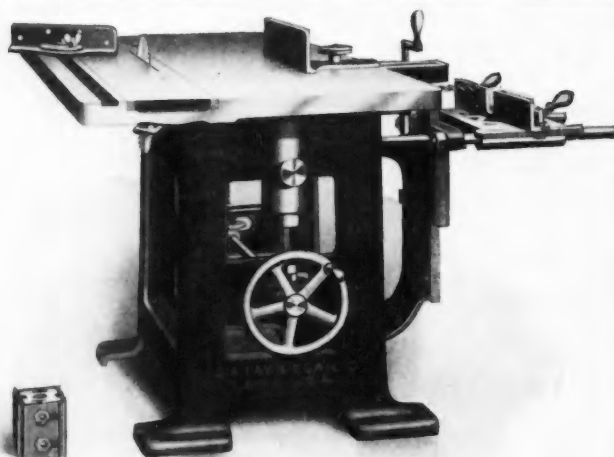
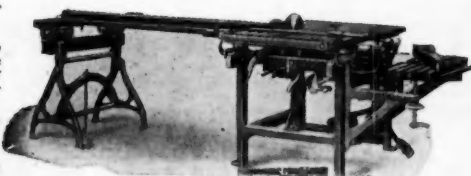
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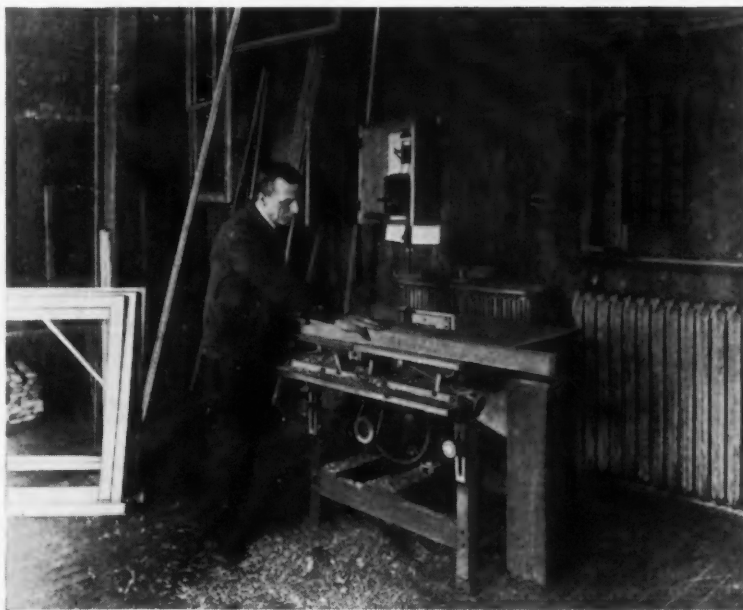
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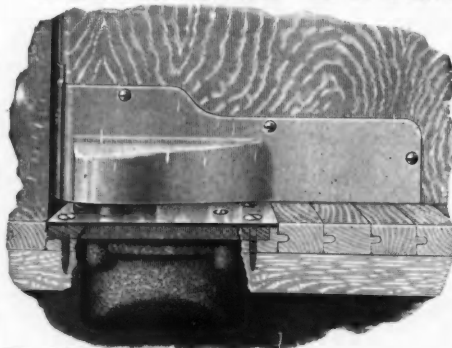
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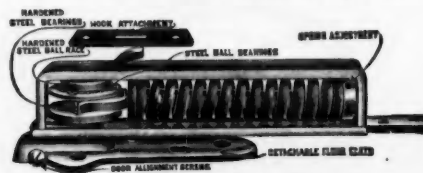


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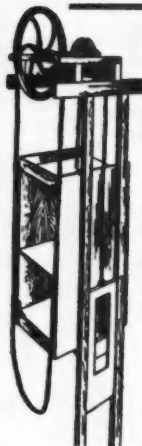
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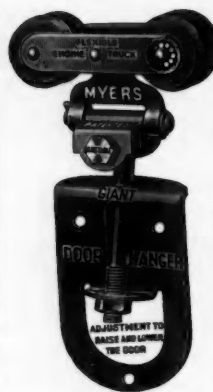
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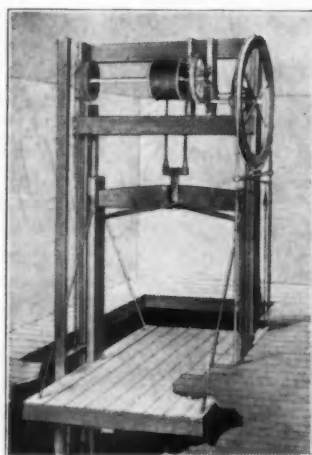
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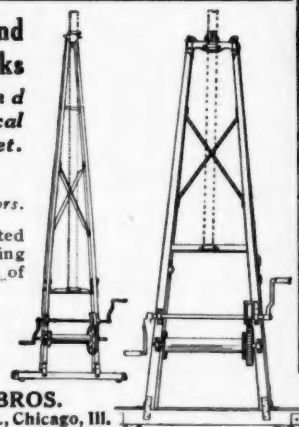
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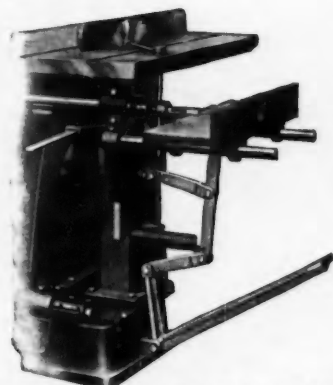
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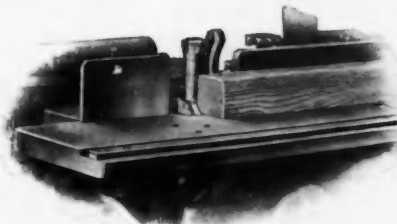
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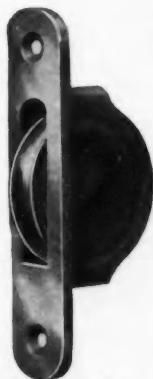
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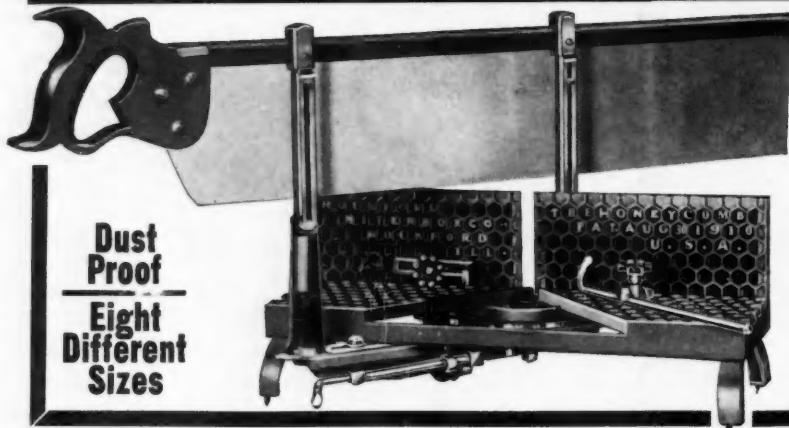
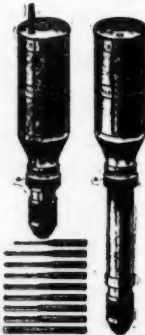
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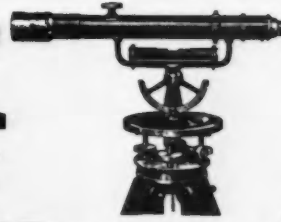


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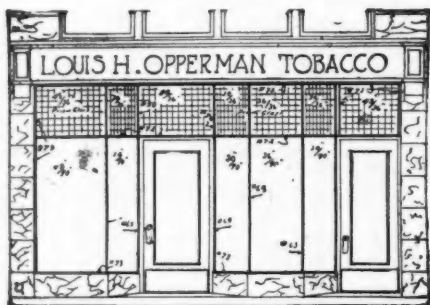
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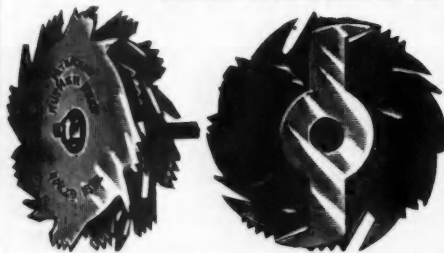
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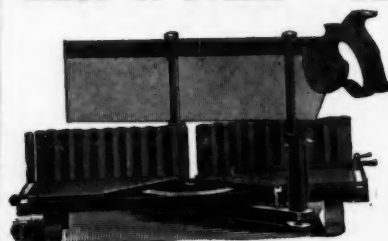
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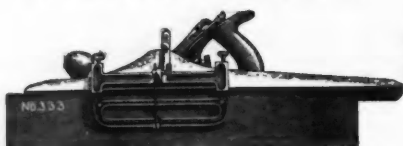
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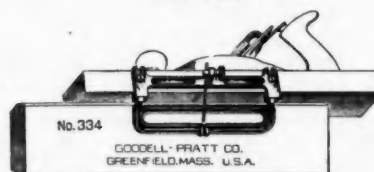
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	Length	Height	Width
Outside dimensions.....	31 1/4 in.	14 in.	6 in.
Inside dimensions.....	30 in.	12 3/4 in.	5 in.
Removable Tray, Inside.....	29 1/4 in.	1 in.	4 1/4 in.

Weight empty, about 14 lbs. Weight with tools, 18 lbs.

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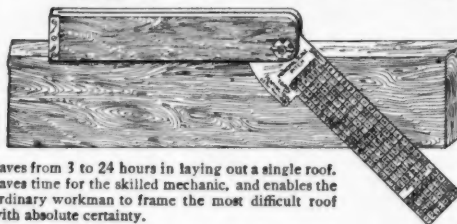
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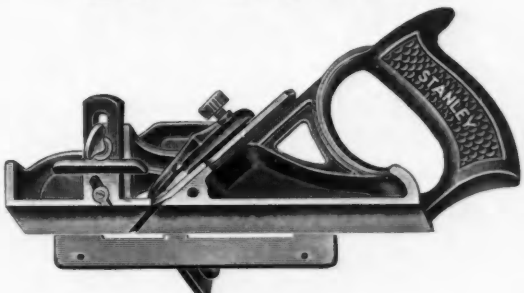
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No. 289

**Stanley Skew Cutter Filletster
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It has an extra wide cutter (1 $\frac{3}{4}$
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It is provided with a *Fence* and
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Why not drop us a line anyway for information about our tools?

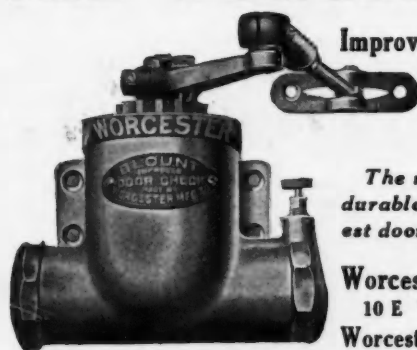
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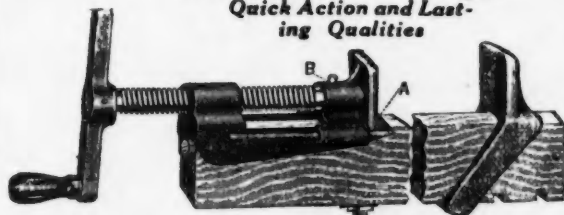
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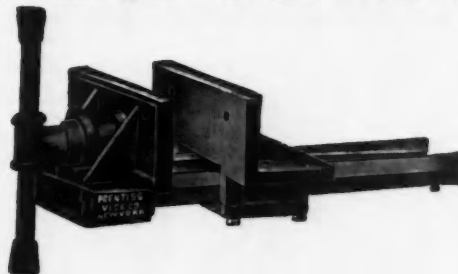


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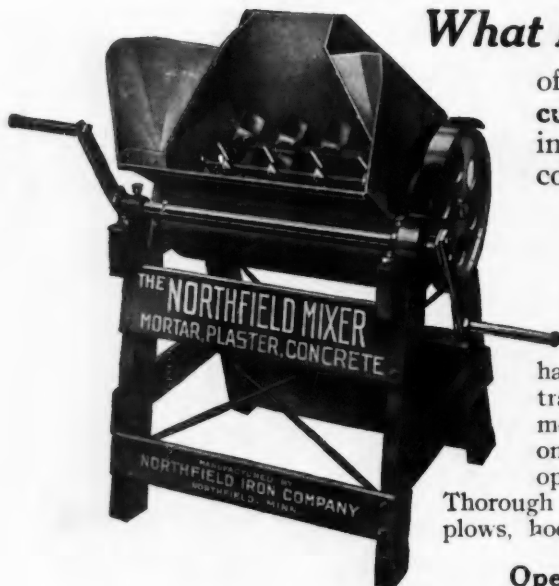
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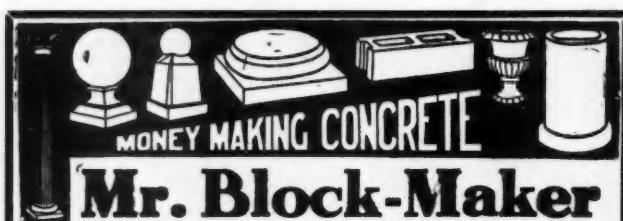
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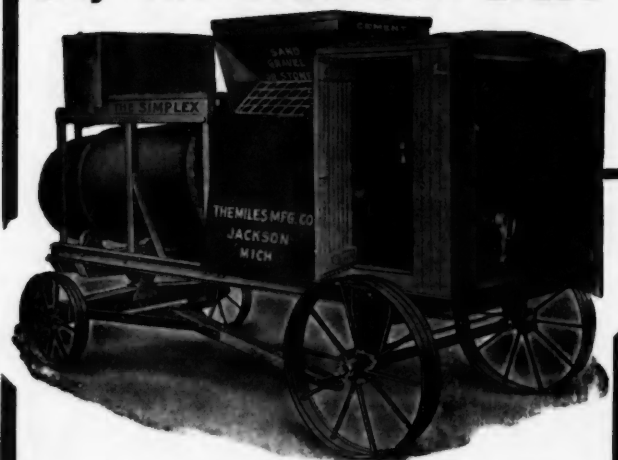
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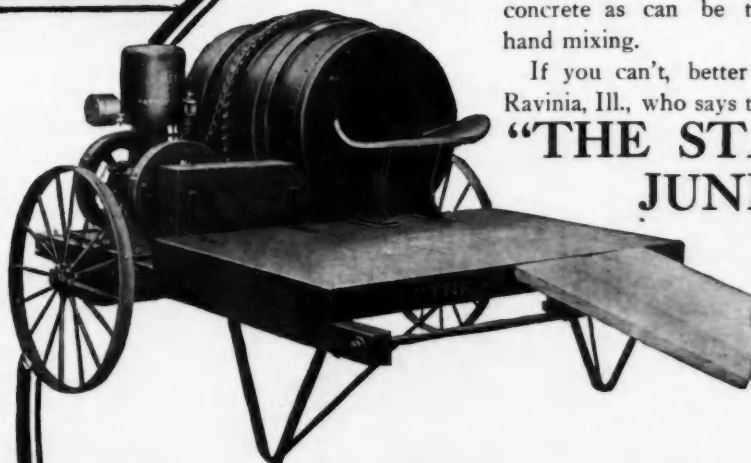
Can you imagine

a Junior mixer that will pay for itself by a saving in labor and also turn out twice as much concrete as can be turned out by hand mixing.

If you can't, better ask M. S. Boehm of Ravinia, Ill., who says that

"THE STANDARD" JUNIOR MIXER

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*What a Minnesota Contracting Firm
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Yours respectfully,
HAVREBERG & ELVERUM (Signed.)

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Every Contractor who has had experience with any of our Baby Grand Machines will tell you they are the best mixers on the market. They are of the continuous type. They have a mechanical proportioning and feeding device. They eliminate guess-work and make mistakes impossible. No matter what kind of concrete work you do a Baby Grand Mixer can and will do better work and make more money for you.

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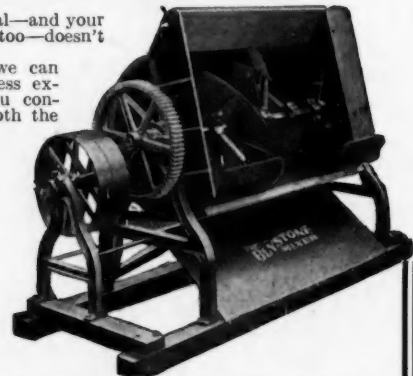
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Costs you a good deal—and your plaster mixing does too—doesn't it?

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Get our catalogs and other particulars explaining in detail how the Blystone can save you money—NOW.

This information will interest you.

THE BLYSTONE MACHINERY CO.
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AS the forests are cut, builders turn to concrete. Concrete construction is not difficult. It pays liberal profits. Hundreds of contractors are going into concrete every year. You can start with a small investment—some wheelbarrows, shovels, small tools and a

Smith Hand Mixer

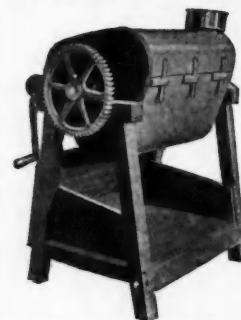
IT is a batch mixer, guaranteed to mix a perfect batch in three slow, easy turns of the drum. Cranks easily—popular with the men. Batch capacity, 2½ cu. ft. Output, 25 to 30 cu. yards per day. Weight, 1000 lbs. Guaranteed fully by the biggest and oldest mixer concern in the United States.

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No. 17



Mix with a Mixer



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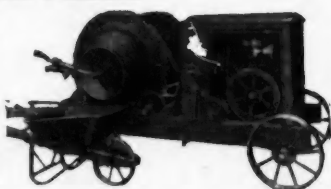
Machine mixing is faster, cheaper and much more thorough.

Our hand mixers sell from \$24.00 (like cut) to \$75.00 each; three sizes.

Power Mixers (like cut) sell from \$300 up; five sizes. Equipped with side loaders, automatic water tanks, friction clutches, and all up-to-date conveniences. Capacity a batch a minute.

Our \$300 mixer is the ideal machine for the country contractor. Weight, 1500 lbs. Wide gauge. Can be moved anywhere. The only machine of its kind made.

Ask about this machine when writing or come to the cement shows and see it on exhibit.

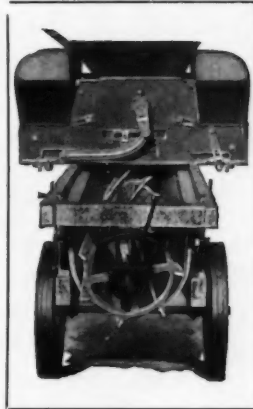


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I have run my Coltrin steadily for two years and this is the first break have ever had. The mixer does not owe me one dollar. It pays for itself every sixty days it is in motion.

Yours truly,

HENRY E. ENGLESBY.

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In first cost operating cost and total cost
when the work is finished that is proving to users of mixers
the greater economy of the COLTRIN.

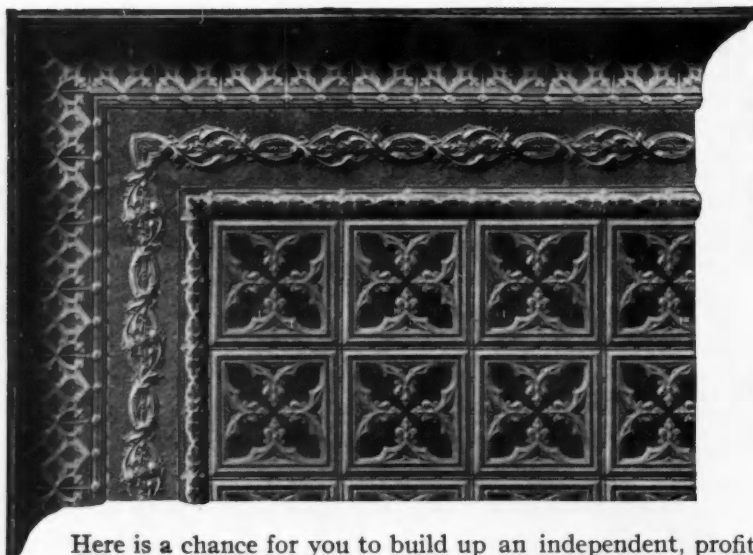
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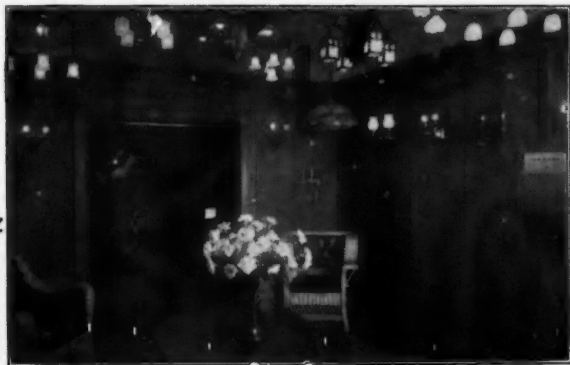
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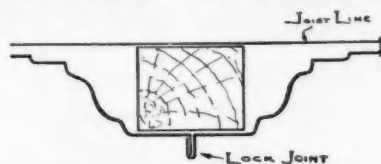
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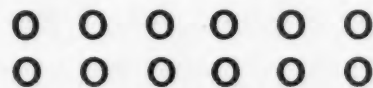
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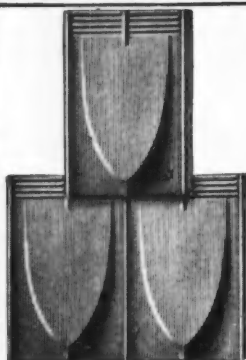


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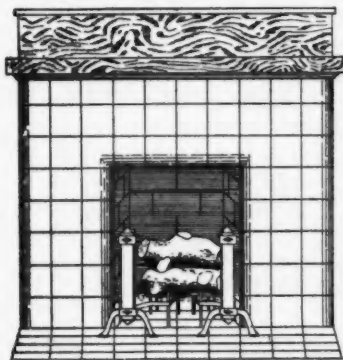


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When you have looked through this issue of Your Magazine, we wish you would write us a letter and tell us what you think of it.

There will be a lot of building this season; and you will have the chance to plan and build a good many residences. Show these prize winning house plans to your prospective customers. Any person who thinks at all of building will be interested in these prize ideas for planning and equipping modern homes.

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More Prize Competition Designs Next Month

We have only made a beginning at publishing the worth-while, interesting photos, plans and letters sent in by our readers for the big Prize Competition. Some more will be published in the April issue—one of the prize winners and several of the honorable mention designs. A good many of you will say that these Honorable Mentions are just as good as the prize winners. They are too.

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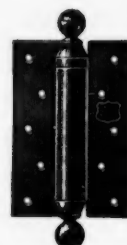
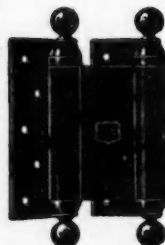
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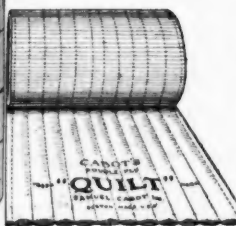
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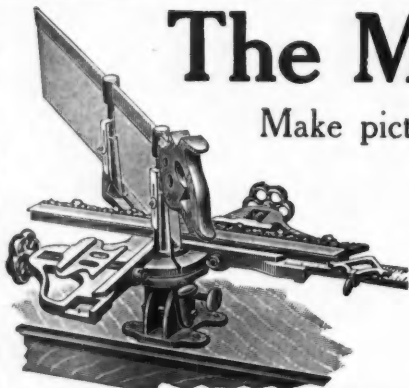
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This is a happy state of affairs for the builder; yet it carries with it a heavy obligation to be careful of advice; and, as nearly always as is humanly possible, to recommend wisely.

In looking over the photographs and building plans submitted in the Prize Competition, and reading the letters from our readers which accompanied them, we have been impressed more strongly than ever before with the power our

readers exert in the building world. It is evident that a large proportion of our carpenters and builders are not only builders, but also architects. They do their own planning. There is nobody else to do it. Their customers expect it of them; and we are very glad to know that our readers are so well qualified for this work.

Wherever there are architects located, the building contractors of course work in close harmony with them. There is much satisfaction in working after the carefully made drawings and specifications turned out by a professional architect, who understands his business. It often develops, however, that certain changes—perhaps small, often of some extent—have to be made as the building progresses and after the architect's work is done. The chances are that the owner is no longer in close communication with the man who drew up his plans and specifications. He is in close touch with his *builder*; and he looks to him for advice as to the carrying out of the plans and in respect to any changes that may be wanted.

When this occurs, you carpenters and builders who read this, must recognize first the opportunity offered you of strengthening your own position, and second the obligation of deciding according to the best interests of your client.

The changing of plans and specifications is an every-day occurrence. If the builder is working from his own drawings, he is very willing to modify them if so requested; and, if they were drawn by some outside party, considerable changing is pretty sure to develop before the building is done. A letter from one of our subscribers sent in with an entry in the Prize Competition illustrates this point.

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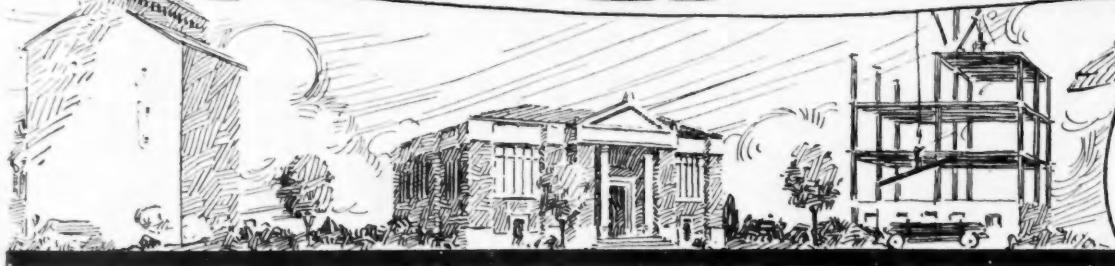
"Enclosed are photos and floor plans of a residence I built for Samuel Powell in this suburb of Clarksburg. He had the plans drawn by a local man for a *brick veneer structure*. I changed the size and style of the house in a number of particulars; also changed the walls from brick veneer to 8-inch *hollow tile* plastered on the inside and stuccoed on the outside direct to tile. The architect was away all the time, so I was not able to consult him, *but I pleased my customer*. This is the first structural tile residence in this section.

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Many other similar instances could be cited. The builder is the man on the job, in close touch all the time with the owner; and the owner has all confidence in the builder's practical judgment and knowledge. In recommending changes be careful; keep thoroughly posted; and know what you recommend.

The manufacturers of building material are acting wisely in their present policy of taking particular pains to instruct and inform the carpenters and builders about their several materials.

PRIZE WINNING PLANNED AND BUILT



Announcement of Prize Winners

THE judging of this competition proved to be the most puzzling proposition the Editor ever tackled. In the first place, the number of entries was simply overwhelming. They began to come in about January 10th and by February 5th, the closing date, our editorial rooms were literally blockaded with photographs, plans and descriptions of structures planned and built by the Big Family; and we had to open and set aside a special office just to take care of them.

And, in the second place, practically every piece of work submitted had its good points. We keep pretty closely in touch with the building situation and know in a way of the work the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER subscribers are doing; but we confess we were amazed at the quality, variety,

and magnitude of the work submitted in this competition. It has been a revelation of the importance of Our Folks in most communities, not only as builders, but also as practical architects and planners.

Of all those designs showing worth-while ideas and up-to-date features the number, for all seven classes of the competition, was finally narrowed down to 116. There should have been a prize for each one of these. As it was there were 21 Prizes; and then, through the generosity of Mr. Radford, three additional prizes were added for Class A—Best Designed Residences, to apply particularly to well-planned *small houses*. This made 24 Prizes, 8 Firsts, 8 Seconds, and 8 Thirds. The 24 prize winners and the 92 practical builders whose submitted work deserves Honorable Mention are as follows:

Winners Class A—Best Designed Residence Planned by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

Small Houses

First Prize—Chas. M. Gates, Architect, Denver, Colo.
Second Prize—Jos. A. Riechel, Building Contractor, El Paso, Ill.
Third Prize—John S. Dixon, Waterville, Conn.

Large Houses

First Prize—Alfred J. Danielson, Contractor and Builder, Davenport, Iowa.
Second Prize—Edw. A. F. Carson, Carpenter and Builder, San Francisco, Cal.
Third Prize—B. Torres, Builder, San Antonio, Texas.

HONORABLE MENTION—CLASS A

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Howard Hollman, Warren, Ohio.
C. F. Malmbourg (2 Designs), Tonkawa, Okla.
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Herman Schnoor, Fortuna, Cal.
Elwyn R. McKinstry, Ottawa, Ont., Canada.
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J. E. Offer, Contractor and Builder, Hickman, Neb.
Robert Christman, Bethlehem, Pa.
M. C. Parker, Contractor and Builder, Normangee, Texas.

Winners Class B—Best Designed Church, School, or Business Building Planned by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

First Prize—Phillip Nelson, Contractor and Builder, Bowen, Ill.
Second Prize—H. D. Le Suer, Contractor and Builder, Plano, Iowa.
Third Prize—F. G. Rockwood, Grand Rapids, Wis.

HONORABLE MENTION—CLASS B

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John J. Binet, San Francisco, Cal.
A. L. Weinberger, Contractor and Builder, Beach, No. Dak.
Oliver Woodward, Contractor and Builder, Park, Kans.
Frank S. Stroup, Architect and Builder, Carey, Ohio.

Winners Class C—Finest Dairy Barn or Other Farm Building Planned and Built by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

First Prize—L. P. Clark, Carpenter and Builder, Tillson, N. Y.
Second Prize—M. T. Kellor, Beloit, Wis.
Third Prize—Wm. Steiner, Johnson, Wash.

HONORABLE MENTION—CLASS C

George Holt, Carpenter and Framer, Ellsworth, Iowa.
Albert Gonne, Highland, Mich.
Levi Landkamer, Alexandria, Neb.
Northern Construction Co., Contracting and Consulting Engineers, Mason City, Iowa.
Chas. W. Williams, Contractor, Builder and House Mover, Ridgeway, Wis.
C. F. Miller, Contractor and Builder, Hanoverton, Ohio.
William M. Chapman, Greenback, Tenn.
Frank Balbough, Contractor and Builder, Ewen, Mich.
J. A. Putman, Dunnville, Ont., Canada.

Winners Class D—Largest and Most Costly Structure Built Complete by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

First Prize—Robt. L. White, Carpenter and Contractor, Lebanon, Tenn.
Second Prize—W. Twilley Maloney, Contractor and Builder, Allen, Md.
Third Prize—L. A. Hickey's Sons, General Contractors and Builders, South Bend, Ind.

HONORABLE MENTION—CLASS D

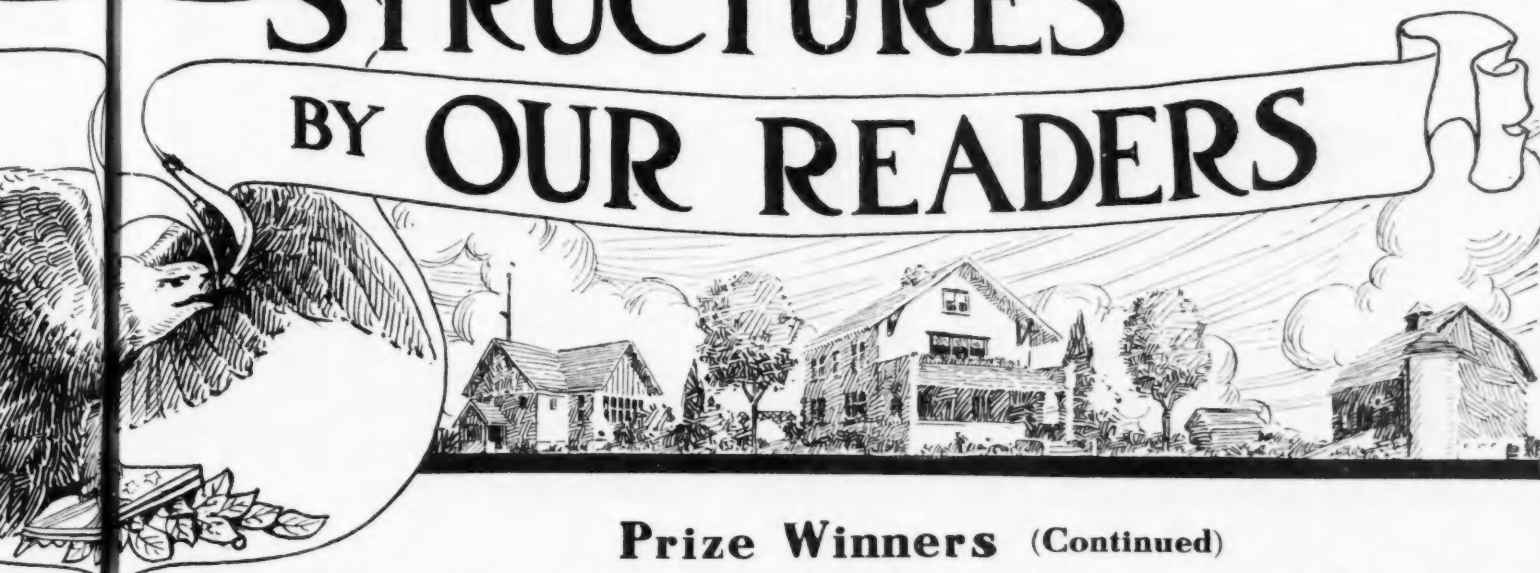
Joseph Taylor, Canton, Ohio.

Winners Class E—Most Modernly and Completely Equipped Residence Planned and Built by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

First Prize—D. A. Haines, Mabel, Minn.
Second Prize—J. C. Warren, Contractor and Builder, Sedalia, Mo.
Third Prize—Joseph Stephens, Contractor and Builder, Paris, Ill.

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Prize Winners (Continued)

HONORABLE MENTION—CLASS E
 C. J. Toellner, Jr., Carpenter and Builder,
 Bunceton, Mo.
 Chas. Tyte, Fort Worth, Texas.
 Joseph Stephens, Contractor and Builder,
 Paris, Ill.
 P. O. Andrews, Architect and Superintend-
 ent, Mt. Sterling, Ky.
 Nels Olsan, Minden, Neb.
 J. W. Packer, Contractor and Builder, One-
 onta, N. Y.
 D. A. Haines (2 Designs), Mabel, Minn.
 H. J. Noyes, Newburyport, Mass.
 Emmett Markley, Donovan, Ill.
 B. Torres, Builder, San Antonio, Texas.

**Winners Class F—Finest Piece of
 Carpentry Work or Cabinet Mak-
 ing Done by a Reader of the "A.
 C. & B."**

First Prize—John F. Coxhead, Yankton,
 So. Dak.
Second Prize—William Quilliam, Washing-
 ton, Ind.
Third Prize—Geo. H. Rabenberg, Britton,
 So. Dak.

HONORABLE MENTION—CLASS F
 Alfred Sanders, Hector, Minn.
 P. H. Heron, Aberdeen, So. Dak.
 Arthur B. Kestell, of Brieske & Kestell,
 Carpenter Contractors, Elkhart Lake, Wis.
 Richard Barr, Carpenter, Contractor and
 Builder, Ravine, Pa.
 Ernest L. Hulbert, Montague, Mich.
 O. B. Overholser, Architect and Builder,
 Riverside, Iowa.
 James C. Sackett, Carrollton, Ill.
 Isaac Hughes, Ridgefield, Wash.
 August Droge, St. Benedict, Kans.
 Louis Schemanski, Alpena, Mich.
 Arthur B. Congdon, Goulds, R. I.
 Leon Clyde, Traverse City, Mich.
 Albert Gonne, Highland, Mich.
 John McElivce, Mt. Carmel, Pa.
 W. R. Schmieding, Hartshorne, Okla.
 W. M. Moore, Melfort, Sask., Canada.
 J. E. Gryde, Waldville, Sask., Canada.
 Howard P. McLaughlin, Contractor and
 Builder, Perth, N. B.

**Winners Class G—Most Extraordin-
 ary Piece of Work Pertaining to
 Building Not Usually Classed as**

**Carpenters' Work, Done by a
 Reader of the "A. C. & B."**

First Prize—Walter Thomson, Denver, Colo.
Second Prize—Frank Klepach, Cedar Rap-
 ids, Iowa.
Third Prize—Jno. Jenkin, Weyburn, Sask.,
 Canada.

HONORABLE MENTION—CLASS G
 D. A. Gardner, Contractor and Builder,
 Dyersburg, Tenn.
 Alfred Larry, Manufacturer of Cement
 Products, Grafton, Ont.
 Jas. Snelgrove, Builder and Contractor,
 Beaverton, Ont., Canada.
 Mercer Lawing, Tucumcari, New Mex.
 John Kurtz, Elwood, Ind.
 Robt. A. Heim, Lockport, N. Y.
 R. Verbeke, Tryon, N. C.
 P. P. Wright, Lima, Ohio.
 Tom Davies, Carpenter and Contractor,
 Durban, Man., Canada.
 Walter L. Hill, General Building Con-
 tractor, Okmulgee, Okla.
 Chas. C. Hummel, Espy, Pa.
 Wm. L. Steele, Jr., Bellefonte, Pa.

The several Prizes as offered in our January issue will be shipped to the winners at once:

To each of the 8 First Prize Winners, one regular DeLuxe Edition set of "Radford's Cyclopedia of Construction," 12 Volumes.

To each of the 8 Second Prize Winners, one regular DeLuxe Edition set of "Radford's Cement Cyclopedia"—5 volumes.

To each of the 8 Third Prize Winners, one Seven Volume Builders' Plan Library.

THREE facts have been driven home and well clinched in the minds of all those who have had the privilege of carefully examining all the examples of builders' work submitted in this competition. First, we are building better today than ever before; second, our houses are planned with more thought for conveniences and comforts; and third, the men who are responsible for this—the carpenters and builders—are doing their work well and deserve great credit.

We are building better. The writer can easily remember back to the time when one thousand or two thousand dollars at most, built the average dwelling. But look what it was; four walls and a roof—just the beginning of a residence as we think today. You will hear some mourn for the "old days" and tell about how cheaply one could build a house then; but those houses didn't have hardwood floors and fine

hardwood trim; and instead of the modern high cemented basement, waterproofed and plastered and as large as the main floor plan, those wonderfully cheap old houses were set on posts or on a surface foundation of stone, and only a little pit at the center was dug out for a cellar. Stoves answered for heating; and kerosene lamps were all the lighting system required; and as for water supply and sewage disposal, the former wasn't supplied and the latter wasn't disposed of! Bath rooms with sanitary set fixtures were unknown; a wash tub placed before the kitchen stove of a Saturday night had to do for the family bath.

Our houses today have all modern appointments for comfortable, convenient and sanitary living. Nowhere else in the world do the homes of the people contain so many ingenious, worthy devices for making the housework easy and living enjoyable. It costs more today to build because more is required. Our readers



are evidently seeing to it that in the buildings they plan every good thing is provided for.

Looking over the great mass of photographs, and studying the plans of all these structures designed and built by AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER readers in every State and Province in America, we appreciate in a new way the value of the work they have done. First class architectural work and the use of modern improvements are not confined by any means to New York City or Boston. The so-called centers of culture have no corner on good residence architecture nor on good substantial building construction. And we must give the keen and wide-awake builders, operating in the smaller cities and towns, full credit for having kept fully abreast of the times, in spite of their handicaps. Their work, both in the designing of their buildings and in the execution of the contracts, will bear the closest inspection.

The carpenter and builder will usually give his

customer the sort of a structure that that customer (and his wife)

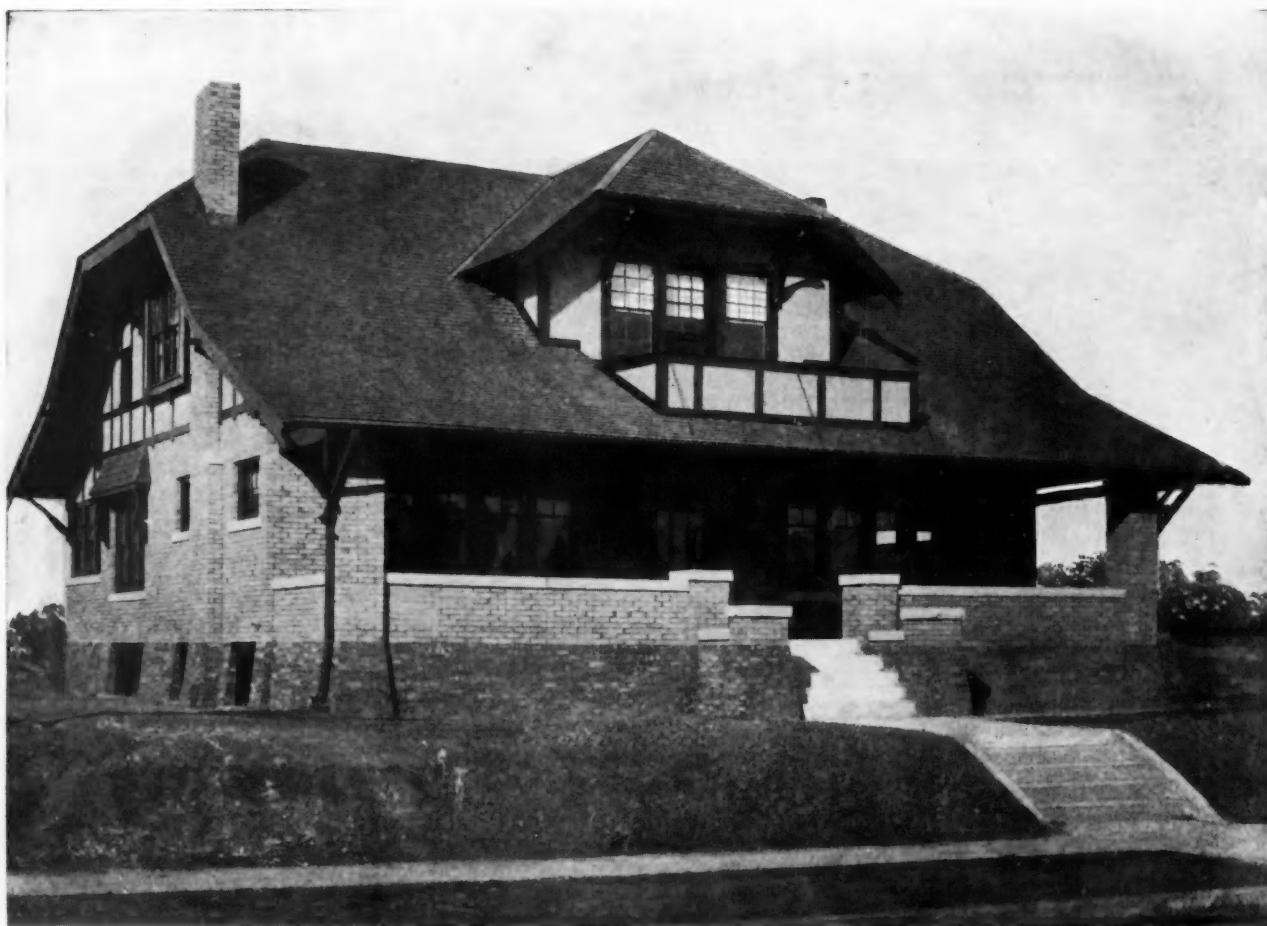
want—as nearly as he can; and in this he is not so very different from his brothers of the city ateliers. But here is where the good work of the local carpenter and builder comes in, and we have to give him full credit for it. He is keeping himself informed in regard to the new and worth while things pertaining to the planning, building and equipping of present-day structures, and he is exerting his influence at every opportunity *so that his customers will want what he knows to be best for them.*

The good results of these "missionary" efforts are sometimes overlooked; but in the aggregate they are stupendous. The photos and plans sent us in this competition illustrate the average run of building activity throughout the country generally. A study of these will show how far carpenters and builders have been able to mould public opinion along advanced lines pertaining to building design and construction.

First Prize Class A—Best Designed Residence (Small) Planned by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

Modern 8-Room Dwelling at Denver, Colo.

Designed and Built by Charles M. Gates, Architect and Real Estate Builder



First Prize Small Residence; Substantial; Face Brick; 8 Rooms; Modern in Every Way; Designed by Chas. M. Gates and Built in Denver, Colo., for \$5,500



AWARD.—More than the ordinary amount of interest always attaches to a building design that is a prize winner. We may concur at once in the decision of the judging committee and find much to approve; or we may—and very often do—have quite different ideas about what is good design and convenient planning. But even as we quarrel with the jury we are sizing up the award—and generally find it to possess some worth-while points.

seemed unfair to judge modest three and four thousand dollar bungalows in competition with big residences costing five times as much—especially as it is well known that the successful small dwelling is the more difficult to design.

The announced requirements for Class A called for simply the *planning* of the residence. It is quite significant that the majority of the work submitted had been both planned and built by our subscribers.

The First Prize for the best designed small residence goes to Mr. Chas. M. Gates, a licensed architect of Denver, Colo., and Sec.-Treas. of The Gates Bros. Realty Co. Here is what he says of this house:

"In this plan you have several distinctive features—features that the housewife of the city home will appreciate. The front porch, being of the size it is and on the east, is an ideal living porch for the summer

afternoons; and the balcony over it converts the front bed room into an upstairs living room if you wish it.

"The dining and living room, connecting as they do, give the house an air of elegant roominess that is hard to better, besides being what is constantly asked for in our western metropolis. The room off the hall can be used as a living room or a ground floor bed room. It has a large closet as well as a sun parlor off, connecting with French windows. Having a bath up and

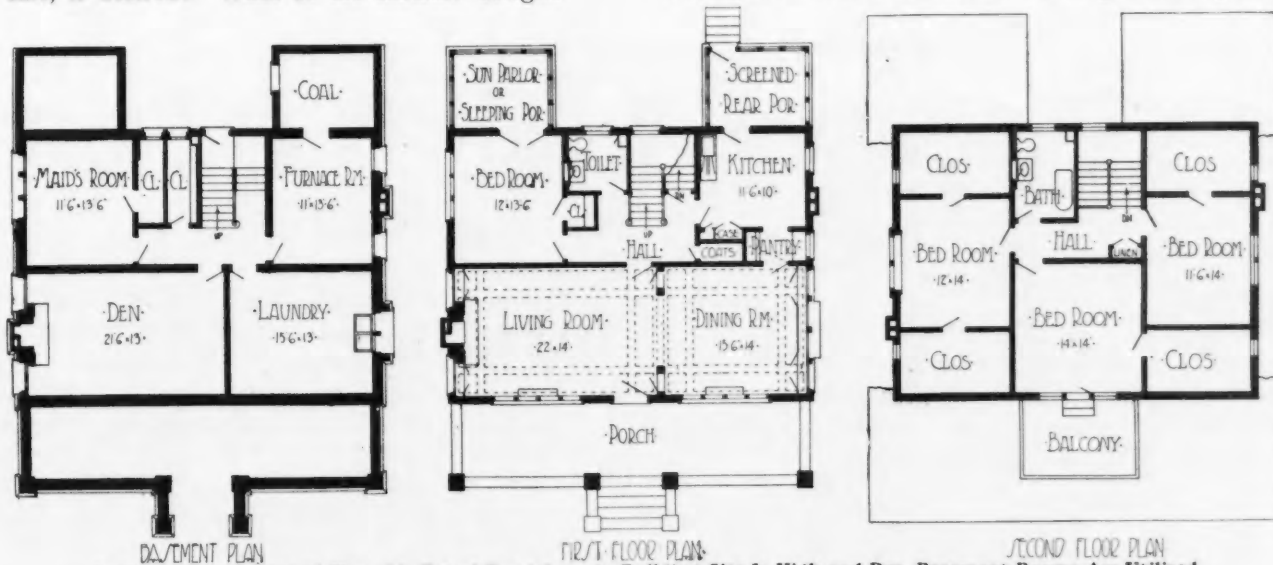
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CHAS. M. GATES
Architect
LICENSE No. 72
DENVER, COLORADO

Secretary-Treasurer of
THE GATES BROS. REALTY CO
SUITE 511 IDEAL BLDG.

Mr. Gates Is a Thorough Business Man

As practical men who are concerned every day with the actual planning and construction of buildings of various kinds it is likely that our point of view differs from that of the layman or of the art critic. We are interested in certain of the practical aspects of a house design: What is its cost? Could more be had for the same money, if laid out differently? Is the interior arranged for convenience? Is it a popular plan, which any household would approve of—permitting a ready sale, if desired? What of the exterior design?



Interior Arrangement of Chas. M. Gates' Bungalow; As Building Site Is High and Dry, Basement Rooms Are Utilized

These are about the order of importance of these several counts as they appeal to practical builders.

Class A of the Prize Competition is for the best designed residence. So many designs were submitted in this class—well-planned small houses and well-planned large houses—that it was decided to divide this class into two, and add three more prizes. It

one downstairs saves many a step for both mistress and maid.

"The den as well as the maid's room is in the basement. The entire basement is fully plastered and finished, giving it a finished, homey appearance. The upstairs has three good rooms with square ceilings, and four large closets.



"I built this house at a cost of \$5,500 here in Denver, using a \$25 pressed face brick, extra heavy footings, and building under very strict building restrictions. It is modern to the minute.

state that the owner sold it a year later, making a net profit of \$1,200.

Chas. M. Gates, Architect License No. 72.

Denver, Colo.

"To show how well this home is liked, will simply

Secretary-Treasurer of The Gates Bros. Realty Co."



Chas. M. Gates in His Office—Note That He Keeps His Bound Volumes of the "A. C. & B." Close at Hand

We are glad to know that our old friends stay with us. Here is a photo received from Mr. Gates four years ago and published in our April, 1909, issue, correspondence column. This is what he wrote us then:
 "Enclosed find order for a renewal of my subscription. Just to show you what we of the Gates Bros. Realty Company think of the American Carpenter and Builder I want to say that the publications for the years 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1908 I have had bound into four volumes with the year of publication on each one. In the first volume, and as a fly leaf, I have had bound in my certificate of charter membership. I would not do without the volumes for twice what it cost to bind them. Am sending you an idea of how they look on my desk—1908 happened to be on my drafting table when the picture was taken.

CHAS. M. GATES, Secretary."

Second Prize Class A—For Small Residence Planned by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

Model 9-Room Bungalow at El Paso, Ill.

Designed and Built by Jos. A. Riechel, Building Contractor.

THE second prize for a small residence is awarded on the neat, attractive bungalow illustrated on the opposite page. Mr. Jos. A. Riechel, its designer and builder, writes of it:

"This bungalow has full basement, concrete floors,

concrete block foundation, concrete steps to porches, slate roof, pressed brick chimneys, siding in first story, shingles in gable ends. Double floors throughout. Living room, library and dining rooms have $\frac{3}{8}$ by $\frac{7}{8}$ -inch quarter sawed white oak floors, balance of floors are

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 PUBLIC LIBRARY, EL PASO, ILL.
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 NUMEROUS RESIDENCES.

BLUE PRINT PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS
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JOS. A. RIECHEL,

BUILDING CONTRACTOR.

EL PASO, ILL..

El Paso is a Prosperous Hustling Town of 1,500 People, Mr. Riechel is the Building Authority There



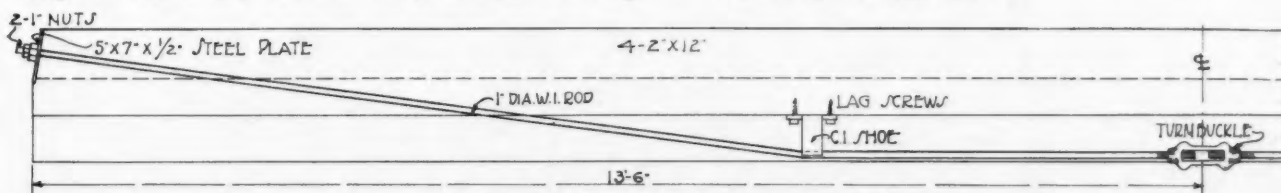
$\frac{7}{8}$ by $2\frac{1}{4}$ -inch edge grain yellow pine. Finish in principal rooms is

quarter sawed white oak, balance of house yellow pine, stained "mission" except bath and two first-story bedrooms are done in white enamel. Living

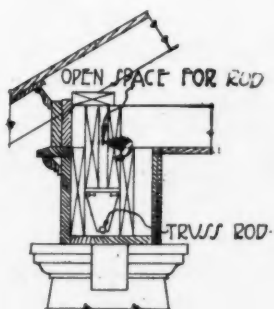
and hot air heating outfit included. Also vacuum cleaning machine in basement run by electric motor.

"Cost complete, \$5,300.00."

Colonade has book case pedestals.

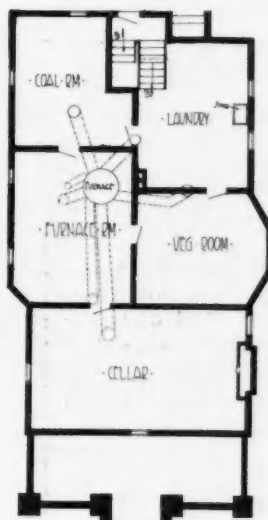


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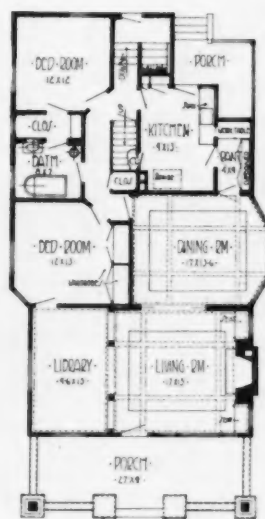


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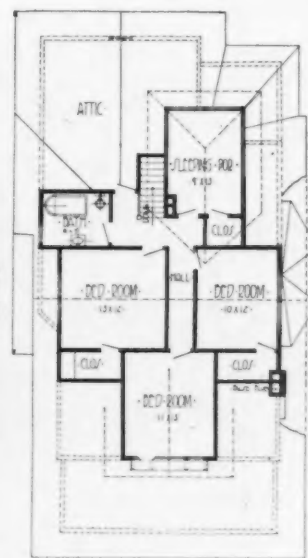
and dining rooms have beamed ceilings, dining room has paneled walls below plate-rail. Walls in first story are sand finished and frescoed in various colors. Living room has Roman press brick mantel.



• BASEMENT PLAN •



• FIRST-FLOOR PLAN •



• SECOND-FLOOR PLAN •



9-Room Story and Half Bungalow Designed and Built by Contractor Riechel at El Paso, Ill., for \$5,300



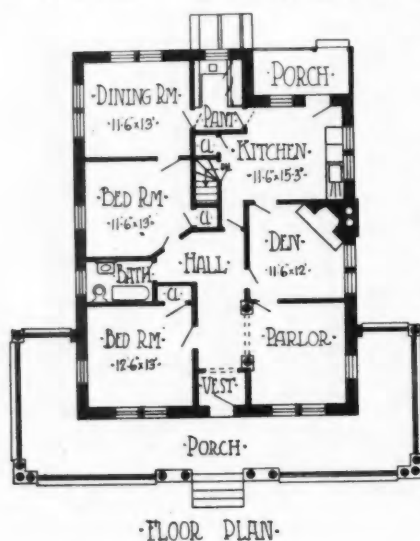
Third Prize Class A—For Small Residence Planned by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

A Six-Room Stone Bungalow at Waterville, Conn.

Designed and Built by John S. Dixon.

THE third prize for small residences is awarded on the stone bungalow planned and built by John S. Dixon at Waterville, Conn., illustrated herewith. The cellar walls are of rough stone, 22 inches thick, and laid 6 inches below cellar floor. Exterior walls are 10 inches field stone, laid up in black cement, and backed with 4-inch brick to make a nailing for furring. All window and door openings are supported at top with angle irons. Veranda floor is cement reinforced with expanded metal, and troweled to a smooth finish. Chimney is of field stone with two

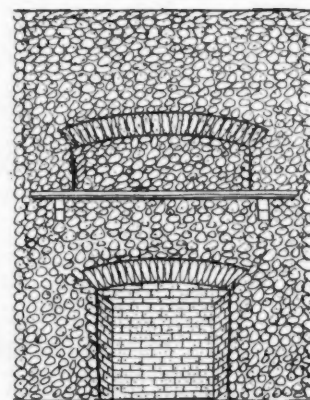
flues, one for kitchen range and boiler in cellar, and one for fire-place in den. Fire-place is of field stone run to ceiling (not plastered above metal). Outside woodwork is of Georgia pine painted two coats Carter's Pure White Lead. Roof is tight boarded, covered with asphalt roofing, and tiled with terra cotta tile furnished by Ludowici Celadon Co. of Chicago (weight, 36,000 pounds of tile). All rooms but den finished with N. C. pine. Den is finished with chestnut. Floors are of N. C. pine except den, parlor, and hall, these are quartered oak. Walls are plastered with Adamant plaster, white hard finish.



Pantry is fitted with flour bin, china closet with four drawers under, and small cupboard, also has six shelves and counter. Dining room fitted with plate rail, and has swinging doors on floor hinges leading to kitchen. House is equipped with hot water heat (Crawford boiler, made by Walker & Pratt Co., Boston, Mass.), with radiators in all rooms, including kitchen. Plumbing installed connected with cess pool, and building is piped with gas, and wired for electricity.

ESTIMATED COST

Mason work, including plaster	\$2,080.00
Carpenter work	1,600.00
Tile roof, including laying	500.00
Plumbing and heating	426.00
Electric wiring, including fixtures	98.00
Total	\$4,704.00



ROUGH SKETCH OF FIRE PLACE IN JOHN S. DIXON BUNGALOW



6-Room Stone Bungalow Designed and Built by Mr. John S. Dixon at Waterville, Conn., for \$4,704



First Prize Class A—Best Designed Residence (Large) Planned by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

Popular Hip-Roof Brick and Stucco Residence at Davenport, Iowa

Designed and Built by

ALFRED J. DANIELSEN Contractor and Builder

PHONE 2368-L

1736 Eola Street

DAVENPORT, IOWA

ESTIMATES CHEERFULLY FURNISHED

THE judging of the large residences proved quite as difficult as the small. All the work submitted in this class seemed to have prize winning points; in fact, many of the Honorable Mention designs stand very close to the winners. These interesting Mention designs in all the Classes will be presented in these pages next month and thereafter.

The first prize for best designed large residence goes to Alfred J. Danielson, contractor and builder, of Davenport, Iowa, on the dignified, popular style, brick veneer and stucco residence shown on this and the next page.

He writes of this house:

"I am sending you photos and plans of a two-story, brick-veneer and stucco residence I built in 1912; built complete in four months with about four men, average.

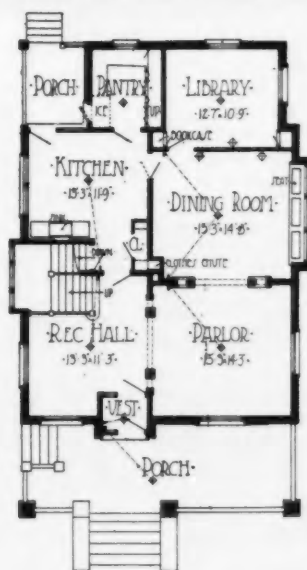
"I drew the plans myself last winter in spare time. You will find my name on blue print. Cost about \$7,000.00. (The building looks a good deal better than it shows in the photo.)

"The pressed brick cost \$20.00 per M., mixed dark brown in color, with

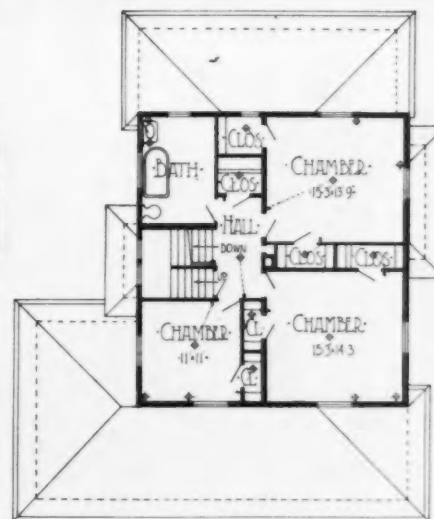
a smooth white sand finish stucco above and green dipped shingles on roof; exposed rafters on main building dormers and porches and out buildings, and finish first floors quartered red oak; kitchen and pantry cypress finish maple flooring; second floor plain red oak finish and floors. There's a very pretty art glass grape design in dining



Basement and Foundation Plan



First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan

Floor Plan Diagrams and Front View of First Prize Large Residence Designed and Built by Contractor Alfred J. Danielson at Davenport, Iowa for \$7,000

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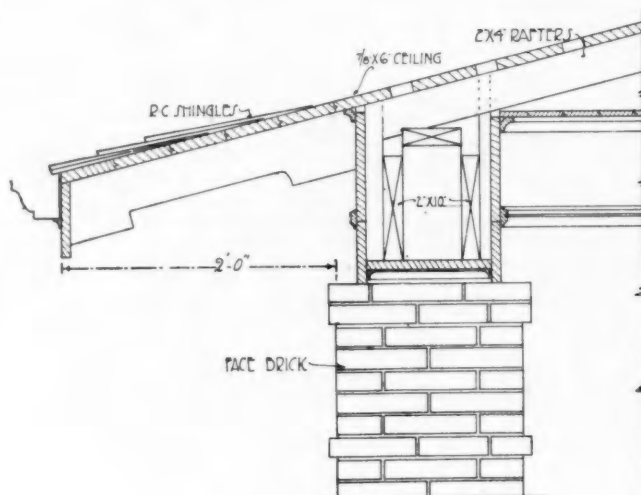
Another View of Builder Danielsen's 1st Prize Winner. He States He Is Designing and Building Many Such Residences in Davenport, that Growing City of 45,000 People

room of building, also art glass in bath and library; fancy bevel plate glass in front transoms and vestibule side light and doors, and art glass in stairway landing, first floor. I make quite a point of fancy glass work and my customers like it.

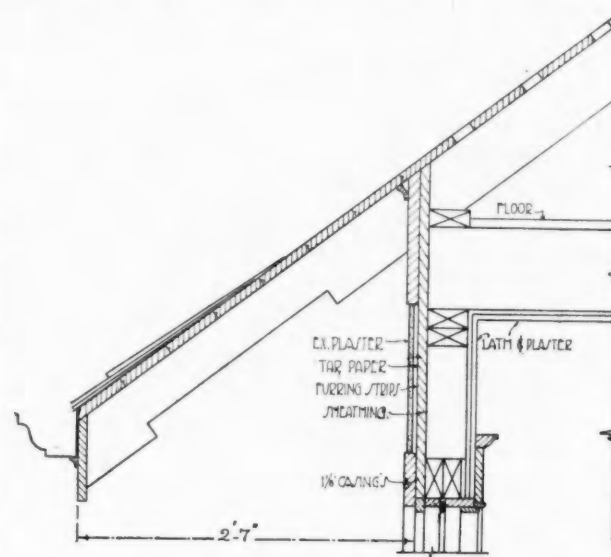
"I am 25 years old, have been in business for two

years; built one house first year, same order as this only siding on entire house.

"Built three houses this year costing \$7,000.00, \$5,000.00, \$6,500.00, and other repair work, etc. Am ready to build six houses next year. I draw most of the plans of the houses I build myself."



DETAIL OF FRONT PORCH CORNICE



DETAIL OF MAIN CORNICE

Showing Approved Construction Methods Used on Danielsen's Work



Second Prize Class A—For a Large Residence Planned by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

Unique Dwelling for Business Street in San Francisco

Designed and Built by

THE second prize in this class goes to a structure which is rather unusual—a residence for a narrow lot where no light can be had from the sides. This is a problem often confronting city builders, where a building combining a store room or other business place on the first floor with living rooms above is wanted.

EDW. A. F. CARSON
Carpenter and Builder

PLANS AND ESTIMATES FURNISHED AT SHORT NOTICE

San Francisco,

This building illustrated on this and the next page was designed and built by Edw. A. F. Carson, carpenter and builder, of San Francisco, Calif. He has this to say for his work:

"I am enclosing under separate cover floor plans, elevation, detail sheet, specifications and photo of finished building, of a six room residence costing four



Clever Handling of a Hard Problem—An Attractive Dwelling on a Narrow Lot in a Closely Built Up City Street—Designed and Built by Edw. A. F. Carson, at San Francisco; Cost \$4,000



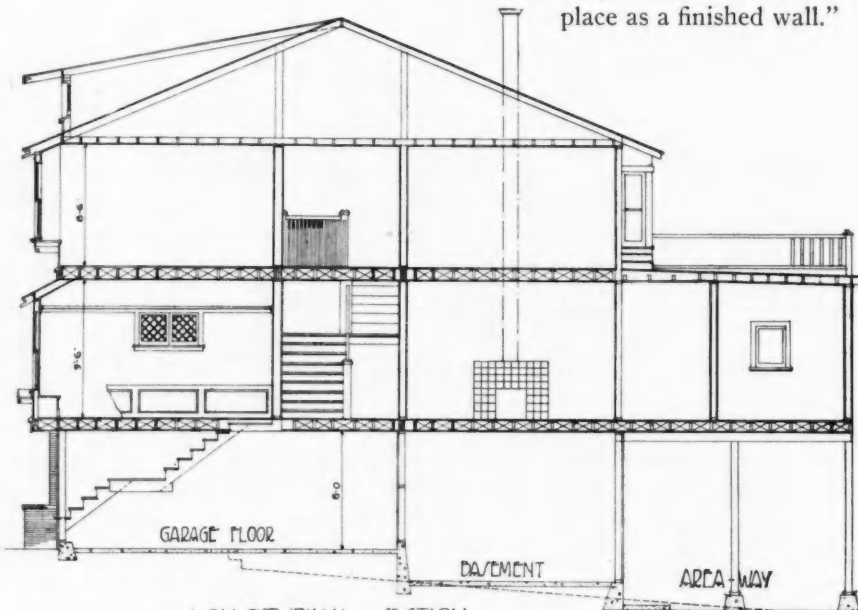
Floor Plans of Carson 6-Room Dwelling

thousand (\$4,000.00), dollars. The entire work of planning, tracing, detailing, and blue printing and erecting under contract was done entirely by me personally. I am an amateur; that you will see upon inspection of my drafting, the only knowledge I have in that line was gained from your valued journal, *THE AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER*, of the last 5 years I have been reading it. I have all the issues of your journal. Ideas gained from Radford's "Details of Building Construction" are used in building plans I am sending. I have a copy of this book and value it very highly. I receive great assistance from it.

"The plans I am sending are for a lot 24 feet 8 inches front-

age, with a building on either side, hence the light court. Most all San Francisco building lots are 25 feet frontage. The Building Laws here under the supervision of Board of Public Works, require plans, specifications and application filed in duplicate. One set of plans must be in cloth print, same returnable to builder at completion of building.

"This house is heated by two open fire-places; the climatic conditions here do not require furnace or steam heat. We do not show side and rear elevations excepting corner lots; on inside lots all side walls are blind walls. Sides have to be finished back on joist and moved out in place as a finished wall."



LONGITUDINAL SECTION

Layout of 2nd Prize Structure—See Page 47

Third Prize Class A—For Large Residence Planned by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

Magnificent House of Classical Design at San Antonio, Texas

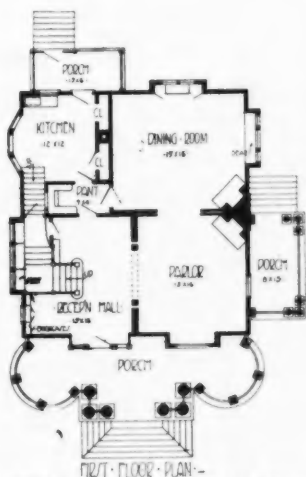
Designed by B. Torres, Contractor and Builder, Brownsville, Texas.

A RESIDENCE design of much distinction, a design typical of the dignity, splendor and hospitality of the South land called forth much favorable comment while the competition was being judged and is herewith awarded the third prize for best planned large house. Mr. B. Torres, a contractor and builder, of Brownsville, Texas, drew the plans for this. It was erected at San Antonio for Mr. W.

H. Daniel. The cost complete was \$6,500. This structure is illustrated on the opposite page.

This is a modern residence in all its appointments, and is elaborately finished, much paneled and turned woodwork being used. There is no basement. The floor plan diagrams show that the exterior of this place make good fully the promise of the exterior design.

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Note Plans Were Reversed When House Was Built



B. TORRES
Contractor and Builder

Mr. Torres Is "The Builder" at Brownsville, Texas, a Coming City Now of About 12,000 Inhabitants. His Reputation as a Builder Is Spreading. It Reached Out in This Instance Clear to the City of San Antonio, Where This Important Commission Was Handled Satisfactorily by Him.



Note Plans Were Reversed When House Was Built



Third Prize for Large Residence, Planned and Built by B. Torres, of Brownsville, Texas, for Mr. W. H. Daniel, at San Antonio, Cost \$6,500



First Prize Class B—Best Designed Church, School, or Business Building Planned by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

New Christian Church at Bowen, Ill.

Designed and Built by

CLASS B of the competition proved something of a surprise. It is evident that our readers are great builders of churches. And we don't mean by this either that they neglect the other sorts of public structures, schools, libraries, town halls, etc.; not at all. It is simply that this competition brought out the church planning talent most strongly.

The first prize goes to Mr. Philip Nelson, contractor and builder, of Bowen, Ill., for the design and construction of the beautiful new Christian Church of that place. In writing of this he says: "This is a very neat, convenient and substantial brick veneered church building for a country village. It has cut

PHILIP NELSON
CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER
BOWEN, ILLINOIS

stone trim and pressed brick exterior. It is impossible to fully appreciate this building without a view of the interior which is very neat in design,—frescoed on a sand finished plastered wall. This was done by a

first-class artist of Springfield, Ill., a German who learned his trade in his native country. The woodwork throughout the entire building was finished in yellow pine—stained to imitate mahogany and all doors built up in harmony with the style of exterior (English Gothic).

"The auditorium will accommodate, in the curved seats, about 170; and odd space for chairs will accommodate about fifty more; also the Sunday School



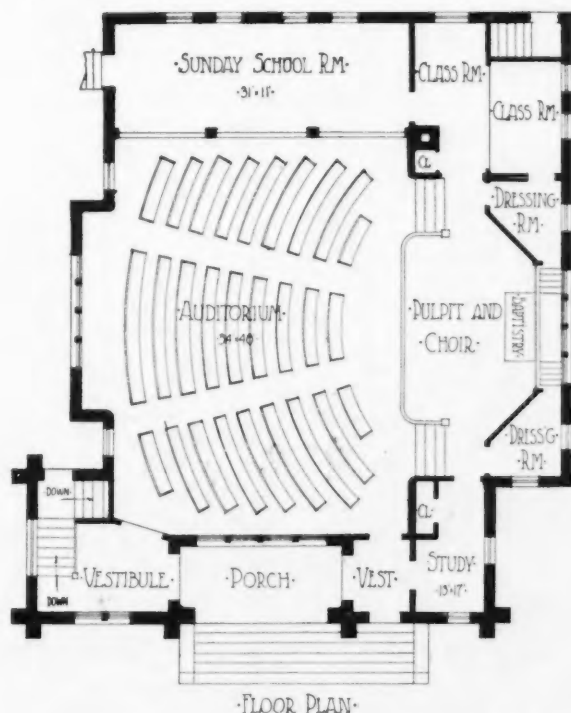
First Prize Church—The New Christian Church at Bowen, Ill.; Designed and Built by Contractor Philip Nelson, Cost \$12,000. Bowen is a Thriving Town of About 1,000 Population; Our Subscriber Is the Building Expert Throughout This Community.



Room, separated by rolling partitions, accommodates about seventy-five and Sunday School side room and extra room in choir space, also other spaces, accommodate fifty, making a total of 350 by using chairs.

"This building has a commodious basement—a large kitchen under Sunday School rooms with coat and cloak rooms; also has ample space for furnace and coal rooms. The side walls of basement were shaded with paint of light green color and ceiling of a light gray solid color. For floor in basement a drain tile was laid in the dirt surface and filled in with loose crushed stone, a little above level of the drain tile leading to the main drain tile—above this an ordinary cement finished floor was run in; which makes a good, dry floor. The main foundation and basement walls were built of poured concrete about 5 feet high and 18 inches wide above footing or to grade line. At this point a cut stone water table was set, receiving basement windows; from this point to top of basement windows and bottom of floor joist a dark paving brick rock faced for the outside course, backed up with a 13-inch wall of hard burned brick. Above water table belt course at top of basement windows, a good quality of Quincy red pressed brick was used with cut stone trim.

"All brick work around the heavy stone front en-

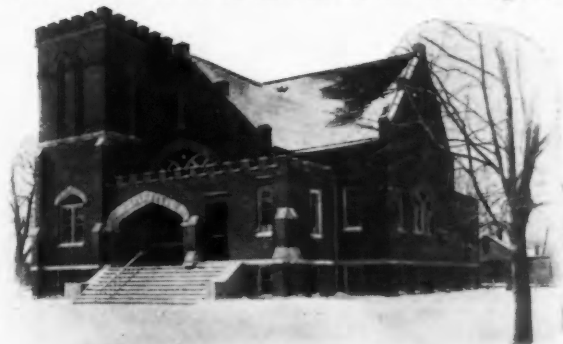


Convenient Arrangement of Bowen Christian Church

trance at front is solid brick work, reinforced with stay rods and I-beam. All windows are glazed with a very nice design of art glass; and seats of a very good design and quality. The roof is covered with Cortright Metal Slates, which I think is the best

obtainable on the market at the price today, considering the quality and looks. The building is heated throughout with steam generated by furnace in basement.

"Much more could be said about this building; how-



Another View of 1st Prize Church

ever, I have gone beyond the two hundred and fifty word limit and will close. The cost of this building was \$12,000.00 at Bowen, Ill."



Will Curb Fire Loss

THE Fire Prevention Commission of Philadelphia of which Mr. Powell Evans of the Merchant & Evans Co., is chairman, is actively engaged in reducing fire loss and danger in the Quaker City.

The commission plans a strict inspection of all buildings beginning immediately and continuing regularly hereafter. By this means the unsafe buildings will be discovered and proper protection insisted upon. A detail of firemen has been sent to New York City for a course of instruction under the Fire Prevention Bureau of that city.

The importance of this forward move must not be lost sight of as property loss by fire has been reduced in various cities as much as 90 per cent. There is no town, however small, that should be without a committee on fire prevention and Philadelphia's Commission through Chairman Evans aims to co-operate with every town and state to further the commendable work of decreasing the fire risk.



Quick to See the Joke

Traveling Inspector (to his host, the squire of the village)—"A most amusing thing happened today. I was questioning the class, and asked a boy, 'Who wrote Hamlet?' and he answered, tearfully, 'P-p-please, s-sir, it wasn't me.'"

Squire (after loud and prolonged laughter)—"Ha, ha! That's good. And I suppose the little devil had done it all the time."

A Sign Found in a Mine

Notice to all employes

any Person or Persons that Mooves into A house Without my Consent shall be Put out Without enney Cemmony.

Dam it I Must and Will have some Sistom.



Second Prize Class B—For Church, School, or Business Building Planned by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

The Church of Christ at Seymour, Iowa

Designed and Built by

THE second prize in Class B also goes to a church builder, Mr. H. D. Le Suer, of Plano, Iowa—based on his new Church of Christ at Seymour, which is illustrated here.

H. D. LeSuer

Contractor and Builder

Planning, Drafting and Blue Printing

Plano, Iowa, Jan 27th 1918

called merely for buildings *planned* by our readers. Mr. Le Suer writes us as follows:

"I designed and built this church last summer for the members of The Church of Christ at Seymour, Iowa.

A noteworthy fact about this public building competition also—as in the residence class—all of the designers of the buildings proved to be likewise their contractors, although the requirements of the competition

The building is 64 by 70 feet in plan, with 18-foot studding. The foundation walls are built of cement blocks on concrete footings. The basement has cement floor; all walls are plastered; ceilings are

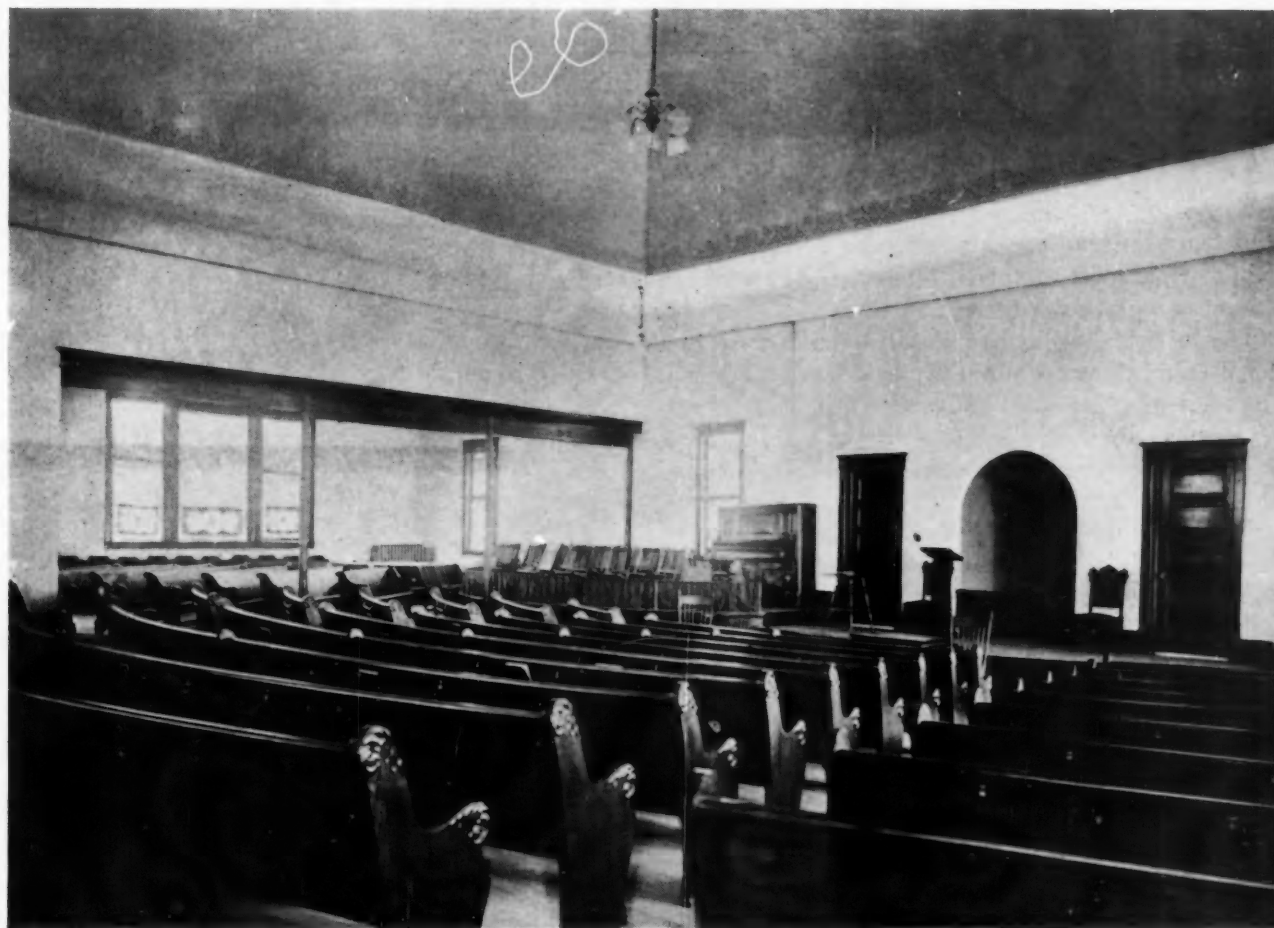


Second Prize Church—The New Church of Christ at Seymour, Iowa, Designed and Built by Contractor H. D. Le Suer of Plano. Plano is a small Town, about 300 inhabitants, but the center of a most prosperous Farming Community. It speaks well for the standing of our subscriber that he was called away to the neighboring city of 2,500 to plan and build this church



finished with metal ceiling and painted. The kitchen is provided with cupboards, sink, water, etc.; the dining room has china closet, and tables for 100 plates. The auditorium is 44 feet square with bowled floor, having

are glazed with Holly glass, also second story windows in belfry. All other windows are leaded art glass.



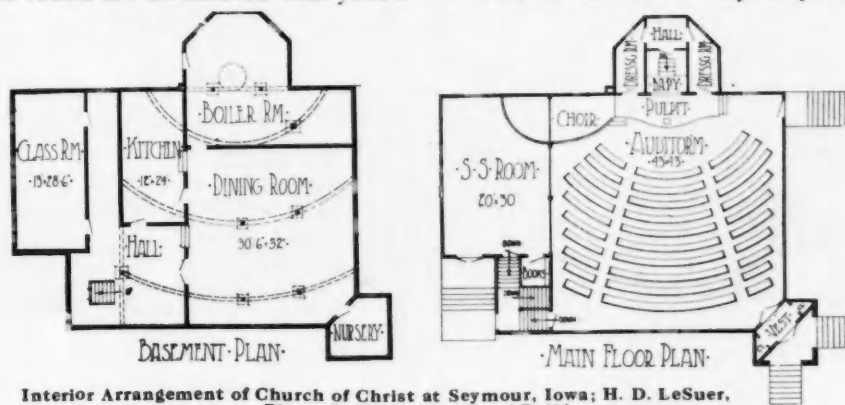
Attractive Interior of Church of Christ at Seymour, Iowa

a rise of 18 inches in 28 feet. The ceiling is in the form of an ellipse. The platform is 24 inches high. The choir loft is 8 inches higher than platform; the dressing room floors are on a level with platform. The bapistry is just back of platform and is provided with steps leading up to hall as shown.

"All walls and ceilings are plastered, having a float or sand finish which is tinted and decorated with Alabastine colors. The rooms are all finished with yellow

"The rolling partitions were installed by H. B. Dodge & Co., of Chicago. The building is heated with a double pipe steam heating system installed by a local firm. They also did the plumbing. The city did the wiring for the electric lights.

"I use power woodworking machinery right on the job and think it a paying proposition. I think the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER a great paper and a valuable addition to any carpenter's library."



Interior Arrangement of Church of Christ at Seymour, Iowa; H. D. LeSuer, Plano, Iowa, Architect and Builder



Third Prize Class B—For Church, School or Business Building Planned by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

New Congregational Church at Vesper, Wis.

Designed by Fred G. Rockwood, Contractor and Builder, Grand Rapids, Wisc.

THE third prize in Class B is awarded to Mr. Fred G. Rockwood, of Grand Rapids, Wis. He writes about his entry as follows:

"I herewith send you a photo, also floor plans, of the Congregational Church at Vesper, Wis., for which I drew up the plans and specifications.

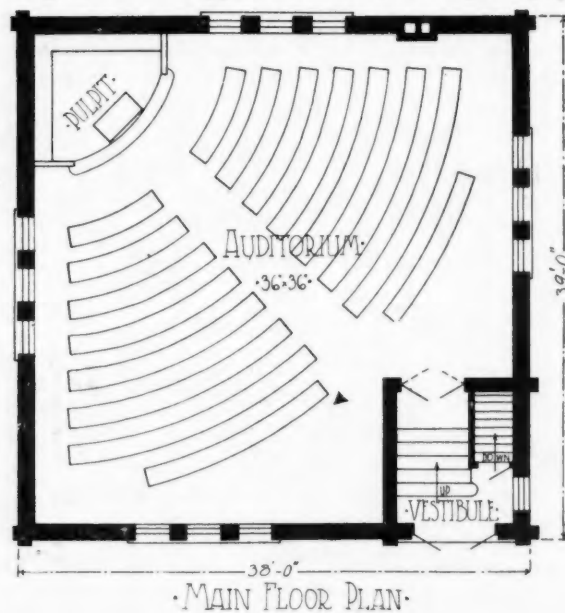
"About January 1st, 1912, the Board of Trustees of the Congregational Church Society announced that they were going to build a church. They set to work at getting subscribers enough to nearly pay for a church to cost about \$2,800.00. This they soon succeeded in doing.

"They then began to search for satisfactory plans for such a building. They received several sketches and a couple of sets of blue prints, but no estimates except mine as to the cost of erecting the church according to their plans.

"Some of these plans were very nice, but they were too costly.

"The congregation then decided to vote by written ballot as to whose plans they should accept. The

consequence was that my plans were accepted. Following is a note clipped from one of Vesper's papers



Congregational Church at Vesper, Wis. The Building Committee Went to Fred G. Rockwood, a Contractor and Builder Operating in and around Grand Rapids—A Bustling City of 6,500—for the Plans and Specifications.

regarding the plans:

"On Wednesday evening of last week the building committee having in charge the construction of the new Congregational Church, accepted the plans drawn by Fred Rockwood.

"By eliminating \$400 for the lots, the cost of the furnace and furnishings it brings the actual cost of the church a trifle over \$2,900, which is a very modest sum for so permanent a structure. There may be a few correction bills that will modify these figures, somewhat, but they are approximately correct.

"The contracts were awarded for the brickwork and carpenter work, etc.; and the work proceeded. The building is now completed and you may be sure that the people in Vesper are proud of this building."



First Prize Class C—Finest Dairy Barn or Other Farm Building Planned and Built by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

Huge Bontecoe Dairy Farm Barn at Tillson, N. Y.

Planned and Built by L. P. Clark, Carpenter and Builder, Tillson, N. Y.

AERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER subscribers have long been recognized as the country's foremost barn builders. Many of them live in the small and thriving farming center towns; and their fields of building activity naturally embrace all the surrounding farms. When any building is wanted the carpenter and builder in the nearby town is the logical man to handle it. He is looked upon as an authority on all building matters, and so has to keep

in close touch with what the manufacturers are all the time bringing out new for this class of work.

We are very pleased to award the first prize in the farm building contest to Mr. L. P. Clark of Tillson, N. Y. The immense modern sanitary dairy barn on

the Bontecoe Dairy Farm, which he planned and built, is the structure submitted which wins the prize. With reference to this structure and his work, Mr. Clark writes:

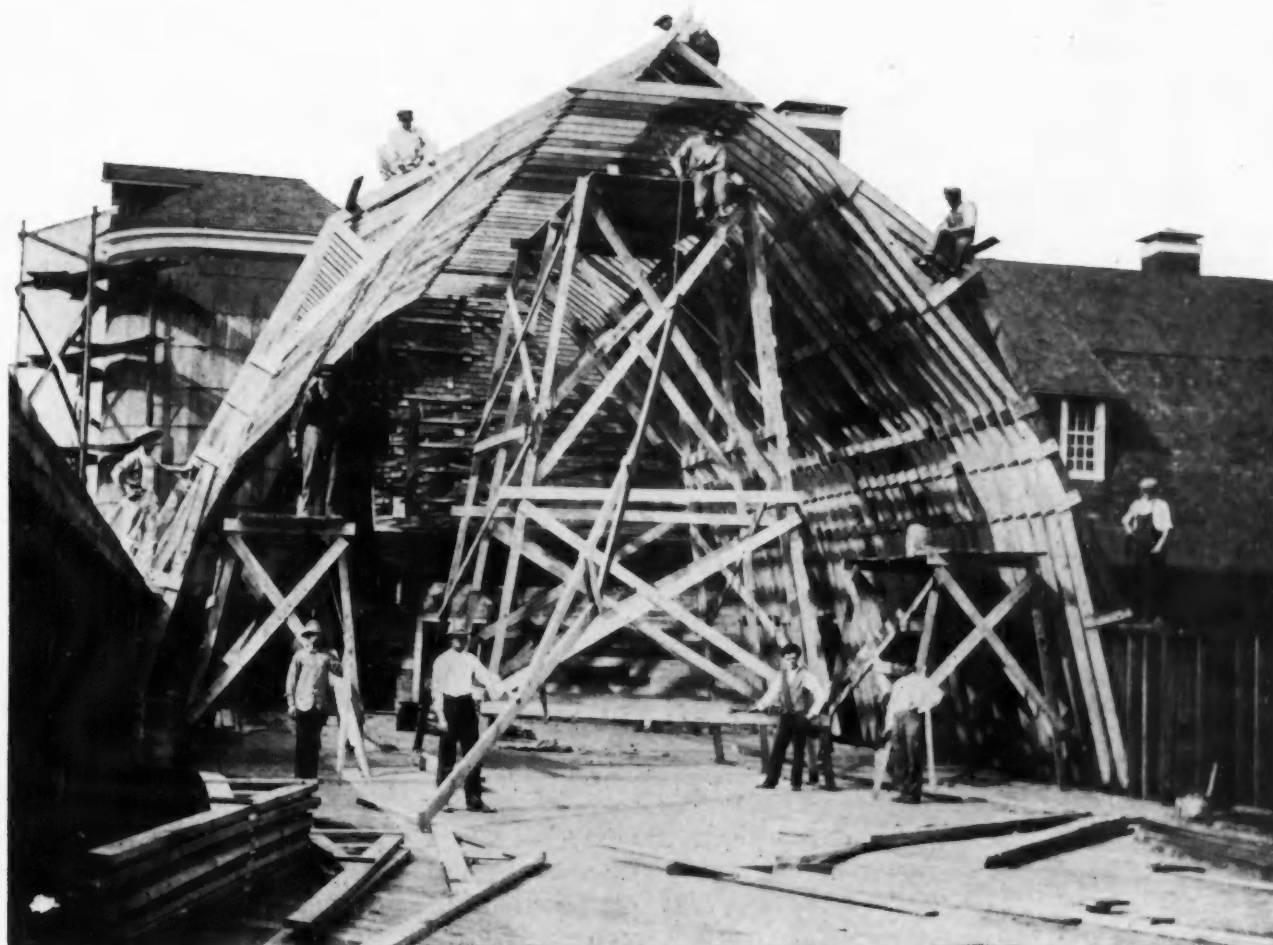
L. P. CLARK, Carpenter and Builder.

High grade work a specialty.

Tillson, N. Y.

"CARPENTER AND BUILDER"—An Honorable Title in the Building World

"I am no expert drafts-



FRAMING THE ROOF OF SECOND SECTION OF HUGE DAIRY BARN AT TILLSON, N. Y.
The Barn is in the form of an L; and one Section was Built and Finished Complete before the other one was started



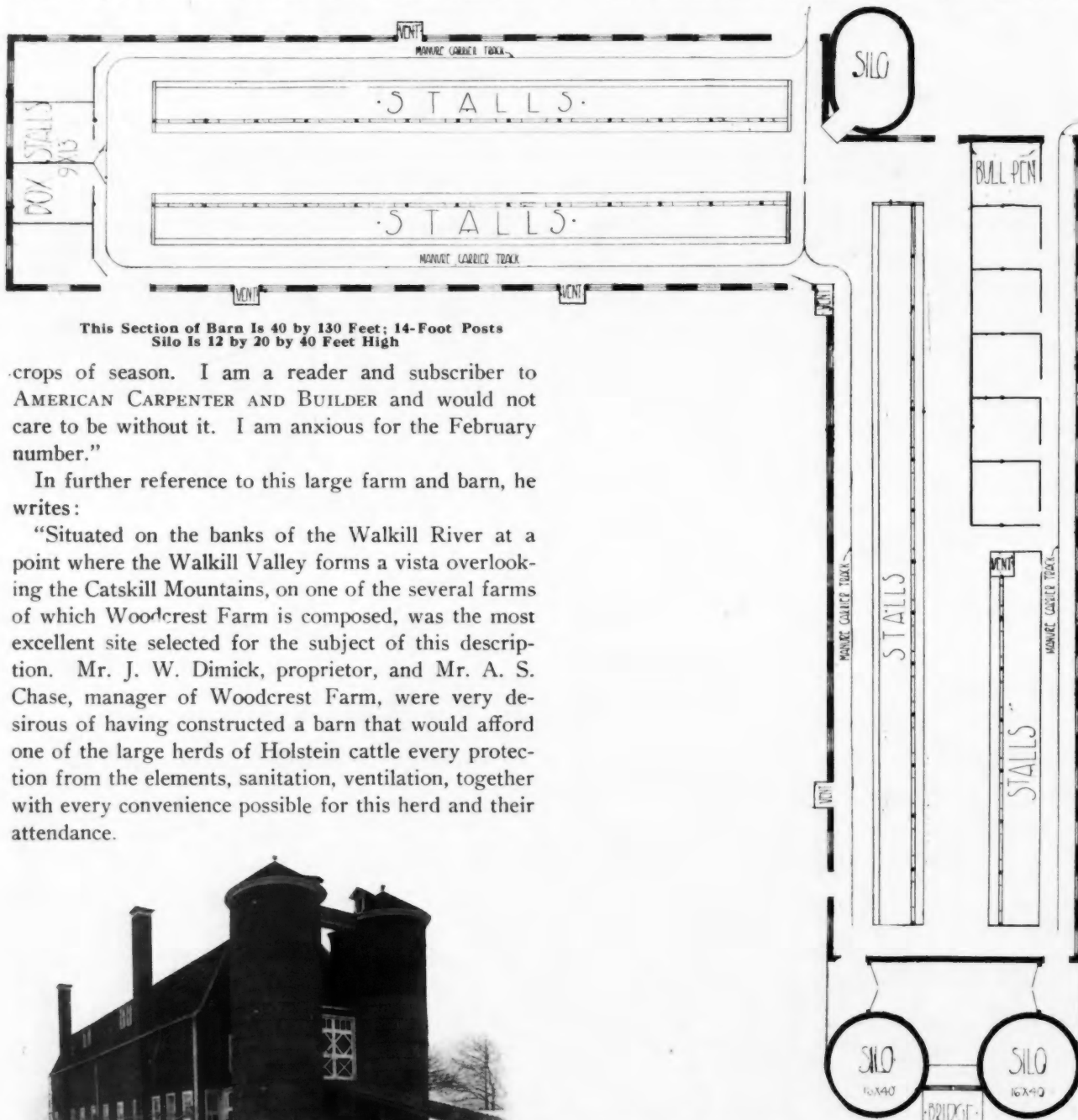
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man, but do all my own drawing and superintend all construction on a large farm, where the breeding of high-class Holstein cattle is a business.

"This barn was constructed in two sections, as you will see by photo. This was done to accommodate the

from approach to approach, with 22-foot posts was constructed, together with two silos, 16 by 40 feet. Later the second part, 40 by 130 feet, 14-foot posts, and silo, 12 by 20 by 40 feet, were added.

"The foundations and floors, gutters, mangers, etc.,



This Section of Barn Is 40 by 130 Feet; 14-Foot Posts
Silo Is 12 by 20 by 40 Feet High

crops of season. I am a reader and subscriber to AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER and would not care to be without it. I am anxious for the February number."

In further reference to this large farm and barn, he writes:

"Situated on the banks of the Walkill River at a point where the Walkill Valley forms a vista overlooking the Catskill Mountains, on one of the several farms of which Woodcrest Farm is composed, was the most excellent site selected for the subject of this description. Mr. J. W. Dimick, proprietor, and Mr. A. S. Chase, manager of Woodcrest Farm, were very desirous of having constructed a barn that would afford one of the large herds of Holstein cattle every protection from the elements, sanitation, ventilation, together with every convenience possible for this herd and their attendance.



This Part Was Built First; Size 40 by 220 Feet, 22-Foot Posts

"The collecting of data and drawing plans for this structure, as well as superintending the construction, has been the source of much pleasure to the writer.

"It was found advisable to construct the barn in two sections due to season and conditions; consequently, as may be seen by one of the photos, a part 40 by 220 feet

FLOOR PLAN OF HUGH BARN IN THE
FORM OF AN L
This section is 40 feet wide by 220 feet
long; 22-foot posts; two Silos are 16
feet in diameter by 40 feet high

are built of concrete; in fact, everything in concrete or galvanized iron up to the window sills. Sills, 6 by 10 chestnut; all studs, 2 by 10; entire building covered with shiplap, papered, and shingled with best R. C. shingles.

"The first story is used exclusively for cows and is



equipped with Loudon galvanized stanchions, box stalls, etc. An automatic water system furnishes each cow fresh and clean water. The manure carrier track installed provides that a car can be run to any part of stable and run to a circular dump or shed not shown on plans.

use of hay fork and carrier.

"The 130-foot section has the eight feed bins and a clear loft, 40 by 60 by 30 feet. The creamery, 20 by 26 feet, has the modern equipment, as well as the Kewanee Water System, with engine boiler and tanks with a capacity sufficient



GENERAL VIEW OF COMPLETED BONTECOE DAIRY FARM BARN
L. P. Clark, Carpenter and Builder, Tillson, N. Y., writes: "The collecting of the data and drawing plans for this structure, as well as superintending the construction, has been the source of much pleasure."

The liquid manure is also collected at a large cistern, 12 by 20 by 12 feet. The entire lower part of barn is ceiled with $\frac{7}{8}$ by $7\frac{1}{2}$ pine ceiling and painted a light gray.

"The second story is provided with eight feed bins; each will hold a carload of feed, and so located that the feed carrier on lower floor can be filled conveniently. The longer section of barn has driveway all way through with appliances that hay may be unloaded on either side, in bay, as well as on a third story by

to supply the plant with plenty of water of the very best quality.

"The entire building covered with shingles that were dipped in creosote stain of a soft green shade and trimmed with white. As a whole, no pains or expense have been spared to make this plant one of the very best that planning, material and money could offer.

"As I wrote you, I am employed steady on this farm, and find your AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER one of the necessities of my shop."



Interior View of Dairy Stable Section. Manure Carrier Runs on Overhead Track to All Parts; Sanitary Metal Stanchions Provided; Interior Tight Ceiled



Second Prize Class C—For Dairy Barn or Other Farm Building Planned and Built by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

A Round Dairy Barn at Beloit, Wis.

Planned and Built by M. T. Kellor of Maurer and Kellor, Beloit, Wis.

THE second prize in the farm building class goes to Mr. M. T. Kellor, of Maurer & Kellor, Beloit, Wis., who designed and built this round barn for Mr. W. J. Dougan. He writes that this barn is one of several units which form one of the best dairy farms in Southern Wisconsin.

"Barn is 64 feet in diameter, is built up 3 feet above cement floor of 10-inch concrete, remainder of 8 feet of basement is 2 by 8-inch studding, above basement 2 by 6-inch by 16-foot studding. All plates are formed by nailing 1 by 6-inch pieces together, forming a continuous plate about the whole structure.

"Rafters each form a truss, converging at center of silo. Silo extends 6 feet below floor of basement and runs up 52 feet, inside measurement. On top of this is 4 feet of wall 2 by 6 studding, sheathed both sides,

and in which are located filling door and windows for lighting inside of silo.

"Ventilator shafts run up on either side of silo for ventilating basement, one of which forms silage chute. At regular intervals on outside of basement are fresh air intakes.

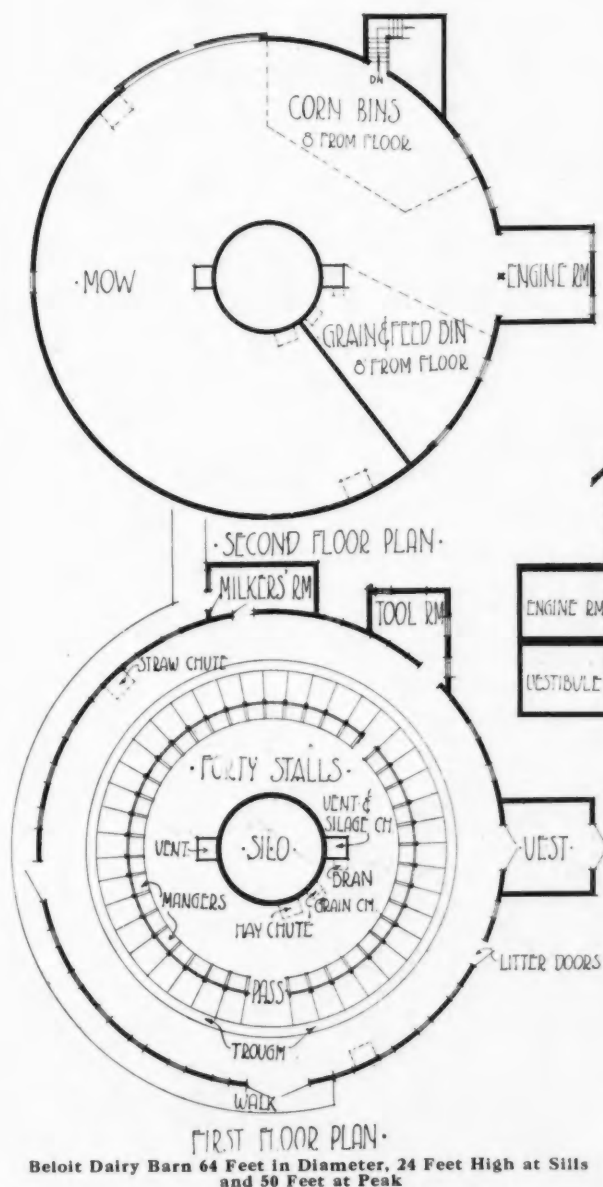
"Four square feet of light is provided for each of forty head of stock, for which barn is built.

"Eight feet above second floor on side on which is located silage chute, are the grain and other feed bins, with chutes running down into basement inside feed aisle in front of stock.

"Elevators are provided to elevate all feed to bins. The engine room is located on second floor of vestibule. Feed cutters and grinders are located conveniently between engine room and silo.



SECOND PRIZE—LARGE ROUND DAIRY BARN—A NOVELTY SHOWING MANY GOOD POINTS
This was Designed and Built by M. T. Kellor, Beloit, Wis. It has all modern appliances, even to a vacuum cleaner for removing flies from the cattle as they enter the door



room with lavatories, etc., used in line with the sanitary handling of milk.

"Hay fork track is located under rafters about equal distance from side of barn and silo, making it very handy, as hay and fodder can be deposited in any part of barn.

"Litter carriers in basement run out in yard. Silage and feed trucks in feed alley next to silo enables all stock to be bedded and cared for by a short operation of one man, thus doing away with the services of two men in handling of stock in barn.

"The outside of barn is sided with drop siding and inside of basement is sheathed with matched lumber above cement wall. The roof is shingled with the best R. C. shingles; galvanized ventilators are provided in roof to carry off all foul air from basement, also a number of skylights in roof to light mow. The vestibule on side keeps out cold in winter and here are located the vacuum brushes for removing flies from stock coming into barn.

When it is considered that the dairy cow is a wedge-shaped animal, it can be readily seen that the round construction furnishes the ideal shape of stall for her and with a minimum space in front of stall, which cannot be obtained in any other construction. The barn cost \$4,200, exclusive of engine and grinding and cutting machinery.

"Sanitary tubular steel stanchions are used. Basement floors are all of cement, as are feed troughs.

Third Prize Class C—For Dairy Barn or Other Farm Building Planned and Built by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

Unusual Gothic Roof Barn at Johnson, Wash.

Planned and Built by Wm. Steiner of Steiner Bros., Carpenters and Builders.

THE third prize, after considerable discussion, is awarded to Mr. Wm. Steiner, of Johnson, Wash., on the striking barn of unusual design illustrated. He writes regarding this:

"I am sending you a photo of a barn which shows our way of building them. This kind of barn is being built almost entirely in this section of the country. They look good and can't be beat for hay room. This one is the first one that Steiner Bros. have built of its

kind.

"In building one of these barns, first put up your frame work, and lay the upstairs floor. Mark a straight line, the width of your building, on the floor, then get the distance from the plate as you have it on your small plan. Nail a couple of 1 by 4's together, lay a 1 by 12 board down and mark off your pattern.

"Then mark the circle on the floor to nail your rafters together by. A good average height is about a

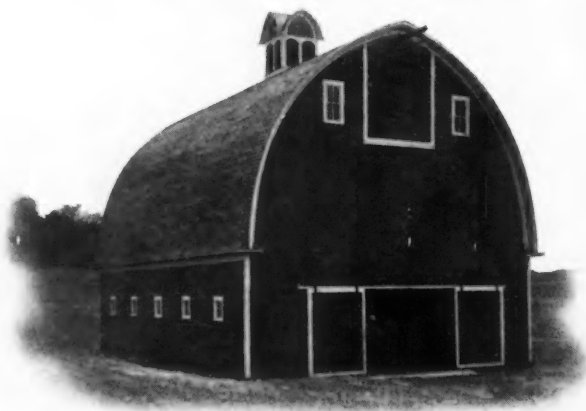
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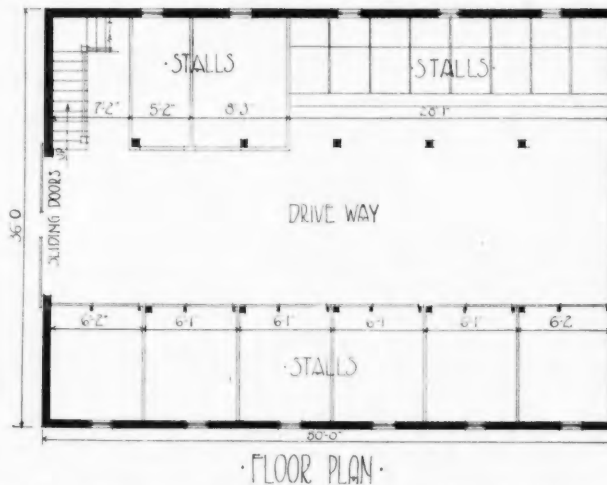
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foot less than two-thirds the width of the building. Rafters are made out of 1 by 12's, ripped down to not less than 6 inches at either end. With about four thicknesses nailed to-

Put a couple of guy ropes on your pole to brace it. Put a block and tackle on the top of the pole and raise one rafter at a time. When up, plumb it and brace it and move your



Completed Barn of Striking Design, Planned and Built by
Wm. Steiner, Johnson, Wash.



gether, and joints well broke, put your rafters about 6 to 8 feet apart. Make a long gin-pole, just long enough so your rafters will swing over the top of it.

pole to the next rafter. When your rafters are up put in your 2 by 4's lengthways, starting with the first one between the rafters. Gradually allow them to come out as you get higher, keep coming out till you



WM. STEINER AND MEN FRAMING GOTHIC ROOF BARN AT JOHNSON, WASH.
Curved Rafters are Sawed Out 1 by 12's and Nailed four together.



have them on top of the rafters. Plumb your rafters as you go. Before

you get too high with your 2 by 4's start your 1 by 4's up and down, as it might prevent the 2 by 4's pulling loose. Double them and brake joints.

"When on, put on your cornice; then you are ready

for sheeting. Build a rounding or a straight pitch eave to start shingles on. If needed, put braces between your rafters on the inside. And whatever you do, don't be afraid to use nails in one of these buildings."

First Prize Class D—Largest and Most Costly Structure Built Complete by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

\$75,000 Southern Mansion at Lebanon, Tenn.

Built Complete by

THIS part of the competition brought out some wonderfully fine and magnificent examples of builders' work. It is certain, judging from these, that as general contracting builders, handling the entire building proposition, Our Folks are a great success.

Without hesitation we award the first prize in this class to Robt. L. White, carpenter and contractor, of Lebanon, Tenn., on his handling of the complete contract for the splendid residence of Mr. D. E. Mitchell of that place. The firm of Thompson, Gibel & Asmus, of Nashville, Tenn., were the architects.

Mr. White, the builder, writes concerning this job:

ROBT. L. WHITE

CARPENTER AND CONTRACTOR

*Interior Finish and Cabinet Work
a Specialty*

Lebanon, Tennessee

Lebanon has Only 3,600 Inhabitants but Some Worth While
Building Work is Being Done There

"In addition to the main floor, diagram of which is shown, this house has the following on second floor: Six bedrooms, linen closet, sewing room, three bathrooms and hall and colonade in center. All wood-

work on this floor is finished in white egg-shell gloss; walls in rooms all finished in colors. First floor has one large hall and side halls and circular stairway, as shown by photograph.

"This finish is quartered white oak, hand rubbed. Dining room is finished same as hall; living room finished as hall; kitchen and breakfast room finished in white; library, as shown by photograph, finished in Philippine Mahogany. All brackets and hangers hand

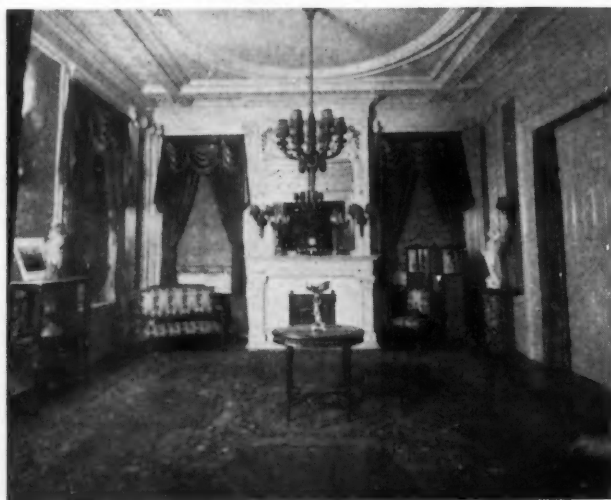


\$75,000 Residence of Mr. D. E. Mitchell, Lebanon, Tenn. Designed by Thompson, Gibel & Asmus, Architects, Nashville, and Built Complete by Robt. L. White, Carpenter and Contractor, of Lebanon

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Drawing Room Finished in White and Hung With Embroidered Silk



Spaciousness and Elegance the Keypnote of This Residence

carved; marble mantle; the woodwork in this room was finished at a cost of \$7,000. The finish is a piano finish.

"Drawing room as shown by photograph is finished in white; the panels are embroidered silk. These rooms and hall have quarter-sawn white oak floors and satin



Main Hall and Stairway in Mitchell Residence, Finished in Quartered White Oak, Hand Rubbed



Library Finished in Philippine Mahogany, Hand Carved and Given Piano Finish. Cost of Finishing this Room was \$7,000. Robert L. White, Lebanon, Tenn., Carpenter and Contractor

finish. I finished the interior of these rooms with only one helper, from the simple fact there is only a very few who can do this class of work. It is all of best material and workmanship throughout. The home is built of native stone at a cost of \$75,000.00.

"Lebanon is a town of only 5,000 people, and this home is one of the prettiest in the South. You won't find a more classic home outside of New York, Chicago, or some large city. Wishing for the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER the best year it ever had."

Second Prize Class D—For Large and Costly Structure Built Complete by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

\$14,000 Country Home at Princess-Anne, Md.

Built Complete by

THE second prize is this class goes to W. Twilley Malone, contractor and builder of Allen, Md., on the work illustrated. He writes:

"In entering Class D of your Prize Competition I realize that I am going up against the 'big

W. TWILLEY MALONE
CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER

ARCHITECTURAL DRAWING A SPECIALTY
AGENCY FOR AMERICAN COLONIAL COLUMN AND
EDWARDS SPANISH TILE

Allen, Md.

guns' in this contest; but it is the energy and enthusiasm with which the editor of our grand building paper is ever striving to enthuse us that causes me to enter this class.

"I am aware of the fact that a young man of 26 years is greatly



handicapped in a contest of this kind in going up against 'seasoned timbers'; however, if we don't 'buck the line' we'll not accomplish anything; so here goes.

"My entry is the home of Mr. J. Charlton Rowers, situated on the Wicomico River, near Princess-Anne, Md., designed by Ernest A. Arend, New York, and built in 1911.

"The house is located on the crest of a small hill, which slopes away to the river, making a charming location. The river here is in the form of a crescent,

which blends beautifully with the landscape. The house is 50 by 49 feet, inclusive of verandas, and contains throughout the finest grades of materials the writer has ever seen.

"A concrete floored cellar extends under the greater part of the house and here are located heater room, fruit room, coal bins, etc.

"The main feature of the first floor is the large living room (20 by 28 feet), which, together with the open stair hall and dining room, make the larger part



Ten Large Rooms, Well Laid Out and Having All Modern Equipment

giving a fine view from three sides of the house.

"Spacious verandas on all sides is an assurance of being able to enjoy the summer breezes at all times. The exterior is painted white with moss green roof,

of this floor almost as one room.

"The dining room is much larger than the average size, it being 17 by 20 feet 6 inches.

"At the back of dining room a large butler's pantry



Second Prize for Costly Residence, Built Complete by W. Twilley Malone, Contractor and Builder, Allen, Md. This is the Residence of Mr. J. Charlton Rowers at Princess-Anne, Designed by Ernest A. Arend of New York



GENERAL VIEW OF HOUSE AND GROUNDS AT PRINCESS-ANNE, MD.
This \$14,000 Modern Residence Built Complete by W. Twilley Malone, Contractor and Builder, Allen, Ind.

connects with the kitchen. The pantry is equipped with a sink and large dresser. The kitchen as shown on plan is very nicely arranged. The maid's porch is latticed and screened.

"The den contains a 'built-in' book case and open fire-place. It is finished in mahogany.

"The dining, living rooms and hall have a paneled wainscot 5 feet high and beamed ceilings in finely figured chestnut, stained a soft brown. Large open fire-places add the necessary finishing touch.

"On the second floor are five good sized bedrooms and three bathrooms. The baths are tiled and each contains a recessed cabinet. There is an abundance of closet space throughout. The entire second floor is finished in white enamel. The third floor contains two bedrooms and a bath. This floor is finished in gulf cypress, finished natural. The floors are edge grain yellow pine.

"The floors on first and second stories are quartered oak except servant's wing, first floor, which is finished in trim and floor the same as attic. First and second floors are double with Florian Deadening Felt between.

"Basement and foundation wall are constructed of best hardened brick laid in cement mortar. Frame long-leaf yellow pine, siding gulf cypress. All other outside material, such as base, cornice, columns, etc.,

is of best white pine. The house contains a hot-water heating plant, acetylene lighting plant and has an electric bell system throughout. The house was six months in building. Cost complete, \$14,000.00. I kept from four to six men (carpenters) on the job."



Interior View of Stair Hall and Ingle Nook in Malone House

Third Prize Class D—For Large and Costly Structure Built Complete by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

Modern \$14,000 Residence at South Bend, Ind.

Built Complete by

THE third prize in this Class goes to Mr. Thos. L. Hickey of L. A. Hickey's Sons, General Contractors and Builders, South Bend, Indiana. The builders statement follows:

L. A. HICKEY'S SONS

**GENERAL CONTRACTORS
AND BUILDERS**

424 NORTH ST. LOUIS STREET
SOUTH BEND, INDIANA.

Influential Builders in This City of 54,000

Owner, Mr. C. A. Dolph; architects, Freyermuth & Maurer; contractors, L. A. Hickey's Sons; cost, including garage, \$14,000; six months in building.

This residence is finished throughout in quartered white

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Interior Arrangement of So. Bend House. Shows 13 Rooms and Many Good Ideas

oak, has billiard and dance hall on third floor. Exterior: first-story pressed brick; second-story, stucco over metal lath; roof, slate. Has complete vacuum cleaning outfit, with taps on each floor to which hose

may be attached.

The heating system is the Norwall Vacuum system, American boiler and radiator vacuum air valves and packless radiator valves.



Third Prize—Modern Queen Anne Style Brick and Plaster Residence of Mr. C. A. Dolph, So. Bend, Ind.; Designed by Freyermuth & Maurer and Built Complete by L. A. Hickey's Sons, General Contractors and Builders, for \$14,000.



First Prize Class E—Most Modernly and Completely Equipped Residence Planned and Built by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

Up-to-the-Minute Brick and Frame House at Mabel, Minn.

Planned and Built by D. A. Haines, Mabel, Minn.

THIS building, which is awarded the first prize in this Class, is of brick and frame construction with a cottage style roof. It has a full basement with 12-inch brick foundation walls cemented on the outside below grade with Atlas Portland cement. The entire basement floor is also cemented with Atlas Portland cement. The basement is divided into a laundry, a vegetable cellar coal, bin, boiler and work

two 4-inch walls with a 2-inch air space between. All exposed brick are hard red—all other are common hard brick. Porch piers are also brick. The water table, sills and caps are gray Indiana Bedford rock.

The second story is frame construction, the dimension stuff is all No. 1 white pine. The outside walls are sheathed with a No. 2 fence flooring, lined on the inside with Cabot's sheathing quilt, and on the outside



First Prize Modernly Equipped Residence—An 8-Room Brick and Timber House, Planned and Built by D. A. Haines of Mabel, Minn.

room, and toilet. The laundry is equipped with a three compartment stone laundry tray, laundry box with a clothes chute which extends up to the bath room on the 2nd floor, and a laundry stove. The vegetable cellar is partitioned off with an 8-inch brick wall, and is provided with a preserve cupboard for the reception of canned goods. The coal bin is sheathed on the inside with No. 2 flooring, lathed and plastered on the outside, and provided with a Holland iron coal chute.

The first story walls are brick, 10 inches thick—

with 35 lb. red rosin paper, and covered with cedar shingles—5 to 2— as is the roof also. The exterior finish is C select white pine and given three coats of white paint trimmed in medium moss green. The shingles were stained to match the trimming. The porch floors are cypress.

The interior finish in all the rooms below is oak floors and trim, excepting the kitchen, pantry and entry which are maple floors and Y. P. trim.

The second story is oak floors and trim throughout.



BASEMENT PLAN

FIRST FLOOR PLAN

SECOND FLOOR PLAN

Interior Arrangement of First Prize Modern Residence, Designed and Built by D. A. Haines

All the wood work is finished with Johnson's Wood dyes, fillers and flat finish, excepting the floors are waxed. Morgan doors are used throughout.

The windows are all equipped with Caldwell's sash balances, excepting the basement sash are hung on loose pin butts. The plastering is all two coat work of Climax Wood Mortar, manufactured by the Grand Rapids Plaster Co. The hardware trimmings are wrought bronze, antique finish, manufactured by Sargent & Co. The colonnade, fireplace and tile hearth were manufactured by Chas. F. Lorenzen & Co. The sinks and bath room fixtures are white porcelain lined "Standard" make.

The building is heated with a Furman hot water boiler and American radiators. It is lighted with a combination electric and acetylene gas plant, using an Eagle gas generator, and equipped with Macbeth-Evans shades and globes.

Special Features and Equipment

- 1st.—Large library with a fireplace, built-in book cases and seats.
- 2nd.—Dining room with a built-in buffet, and a toilet.
- 3rd.—A good sized pantry with built-in sinks and cupboards.
- 4th.—Large kitchen with water sink, work table and cabinet.
- 5th.—Rear entry with refrigerator and storage room for coats, caps, etc.
- 6th.—Combination cellar stairs.
- 7th.—Enclosed sleeping balcony.
- 8th.—Clothes chute and well equipped laundry.
- 9th.—Water closet in basement.
- 10th.—Iron coal chute in coal bin.
- 11th.—Porte-cochere and cement drive.
- 12th.—Pleasing exterior appearance.

Second Prize Class E—Modern and Fully Equipped Residence Planned and Built by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

A Two-Family Dwelling at Sedalia, Mo.

Planned and Built by

THE second prize is awarded to J. C. Warren, contractor and builder, of Sedalia, Mo. He writes:

"Editor AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER: I am one of your charter members. I have every number



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of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER that has been published to date and want to say that what I now know about drafting and planning has been learned from the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER and your books. The usefulness



of this knowledge to me is beyond any attempt of placing a value on same.

The AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER and its books are worth their weight in gold to any carpenter that wants to gain knowledge in his craft.

"This is a two family modern residence which I planned, designed and built for C. E. Whitney of Sedalia, Mo., last year, at a total cost of \$6,105.00. As the plan indicates each apartment is entirely separated from the other from basement to attic. This design has attracted considerable attention since being built from its exterior appearance and from the interior arrangement. The building is heated by steam. The plumbing is modern and first class. The building

doors are 2 panel veneer. The foundation, concrete with cement blocks

above grade line to basement floors. Cemented first and second stories plastered with Acme hard plaster, finished in white. The attic was finished with "Utility" wall board nailed on rafters and floored with flat grain yellow pine 3 1/4" faced flooring.

The cost of this building was as follows:

Foundation and cement work.....	\$850.00
Plumbing and heating.....	900.00
Flues	90.00
Plastering	400.00
Electric wiring	95.00
Metal work	65.00
Painting	325.00



Interior Arrangement of Two-Apartment Residence at Sedalia, Mo.

is wired and lighted by electricity and plumbed for gas.

"The building as indicated by the plan is of balloon frame construction, the exterior and interior walls are 2 by 4. Floor beams 2 by 10, attic 2 by 8, rafters 2 by 4; all spaced 16 inches on centers, exterior walls are covered with 8-inch shiplap, building paper and narrow siding. The first and second floors were laid with 8-inch shiplap after plastering was done and all inside finish work was complete. These floors were finished with 2-inch strait grain yellow pine flooring, scraped and finished to match the other inside finish. Between the first floor one layer of Barretts deadening felt was used; between the second floor, one layer of Barretts deadening felt, also one layer of H. W. Johns-Manville quilted hair deadening insulator. A lath was laid on these felts then the finished floor.

The owner, Mr. Whitney, states that these floors are very near sound proof and is much pleased with the results. The inside finish throughout is yellow pine, of stock designs. The

Hardware	125.00
Lumber	1350.00
Mill work	350.00
Stairs	125.00
Carpenters labor, 35c per hour.....	875.00
Incidentals, 10 per cent.....	555.00

\$6,105.00



Front and Right Side of Chas. E. Whitney's Apartment Residence; Designed and Built by J. C. Warren, Sedalia, Mo., Second Prize Winner



First Prize Class F—Finest Piece of Carpentry Work or Cabinet Making Done by a Reader of the “A. C. & B.”

Carved Oak Altar in St. James Church, St. Paul, Minn.

Work Done by John T. Coxhead, of Yankton, S. D.

WE have always had a great fondness for fine carpentry work and cabinet making. This Class F of the Prize Competition proved a veritable joy in the great numbers of excellent and interesting pieces of work, photographs of which were submitted.

The very highest respect is due the man who has trained his hand and brain to the extent of producing such skillful work. Undeniably it takes high qualifications to draw plans and superintend construction and put through big building deals, but after all, it is the skill of the artisans who will actually do the work, on which the entire success depends.

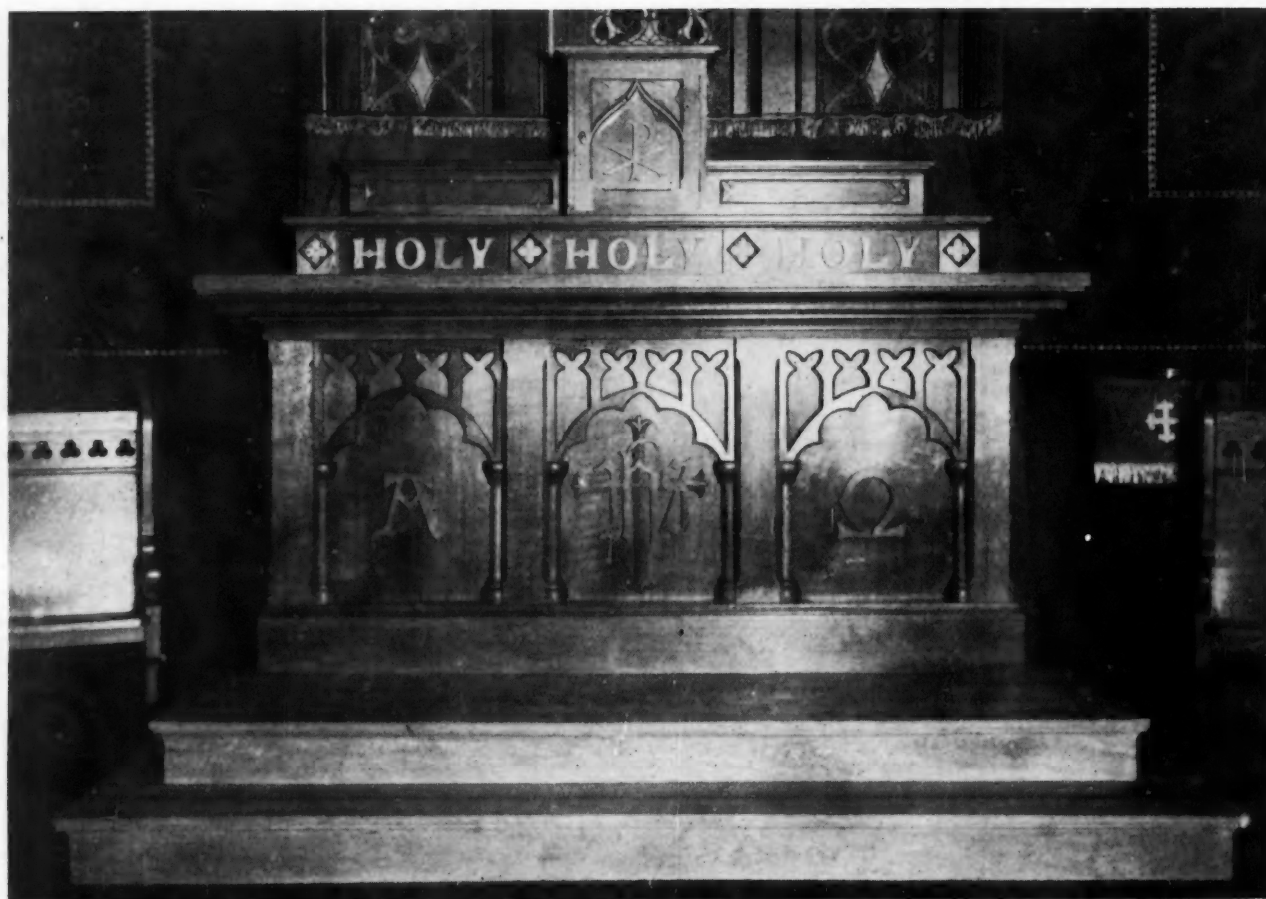
All credit and honor to the skillful carpenters and cabinet makers in the Big Family! We are proud of the work they are doing. May they continue their painstaking and well-loved tasks, knowing that their

work is well done and their efforts appreciated. We are proud of them.

The first prize for a fine example of carpentry work or cabinet making goes to Mr. John T. Coxhead, Yankton, S. D. The altar in the St. James Church, St. Paul, Minn., is his work. Concerning this, Mr. Coxhead writes: “I enclose a photo of an altar I made just before Christmas for the St. James Church of St. Paul, Minn. The material is quartered-oak and it is finished with a paste filler and wax.

“Except for the aid of a band saw and hand planer and lathe, this work was done entirely by hand. The letters and emblems are all raised and the monogram on the center panel is hand carved.

“The chairs, partly shown on each side of the altar, were also made by me, this work having been done some months earlier.”



First Prize for Fine Carpentry Work—the Altar in St. James Church, St. Paul, Minn.; Worked in White Oak and Hand Carved by John T. Coxhead, Yankton, S. D.



Second Prize Class F—Fine Piece of Carpentry Work or Cabinet Making Done by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

Library Table with Inlaid Top

Work Done by William Quilliam of Washington, Indiana.

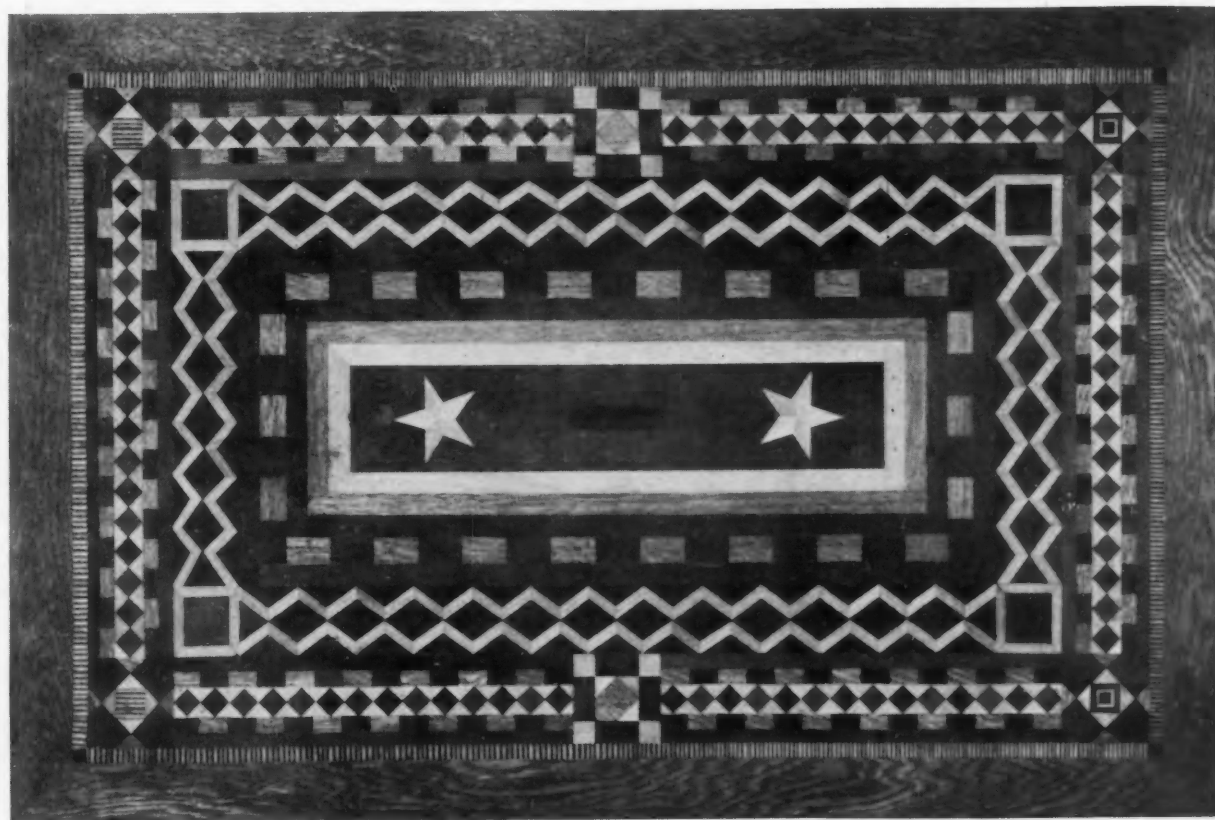
THE second prize in Class F is awarded to Mr. William Quilliam, of Washington, Ind., who made the beautiful inlaid library table illustrated. He writes that it is his custom to do one hour's work of this kind each evening after supper. In this way, he has never lost one hour's time from his regular day's labor. It required seventy-eight hours of work to complete this table.

The top of this library table is twenty-eight inches wide by forty-two inches long. It is built up of nine different kinds of wood and contains over twenty-eight hundred separate pieces. Every piece in it was worked out by hand "from small scraps," then glued and clamped.

Mr. Quilliam got a lot of fun out of doing this work and he has an elegant and unique piece of furniture to pay him for his trouble.



Massive Library Table with Beautiful and Unique Inlaid Top



Detail of Table Top which is 28 by 42 inches and is Inlaid with over 2,800 Pieces of wood of Nine Different Kinds. This Table was made at Odd Times by William Quilliam of Washington, Ind., and is awarded 2nd Prize



Third Prize Class F—Fine Piece of Carpentry Work or Cabinet Making Done by a Reader of the "A. C. & B."

A Combined Dining Room Side Board and Kitchen Cabinet

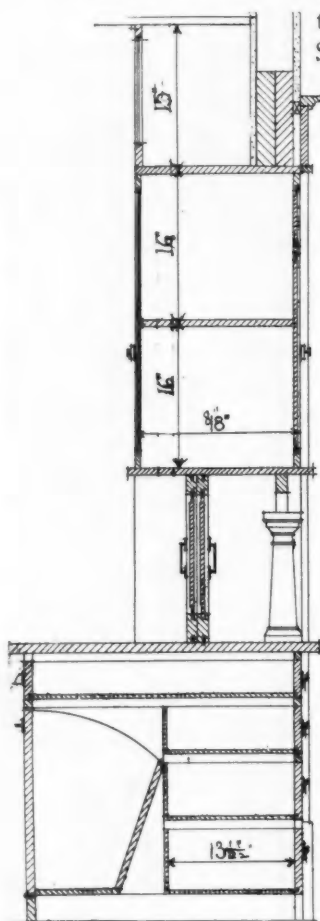
Work Done by George H. Rabenberg of Britton, S. D.

THE third prize in this class is awarded to Mr. George H. Rabenberg, of Britton, S. D., for a very practical piece of carpentry work. There is nothing unusual about it. It is a problem that is met with in some sections of the country on fully half the residence jobs. This is a two-sided cupboard and cabinet built in the partition wall between a dining room and kitchen. The design is neat and attractive and makes a thoroughly satisfactory cupboard for this purpose. The work is well done.

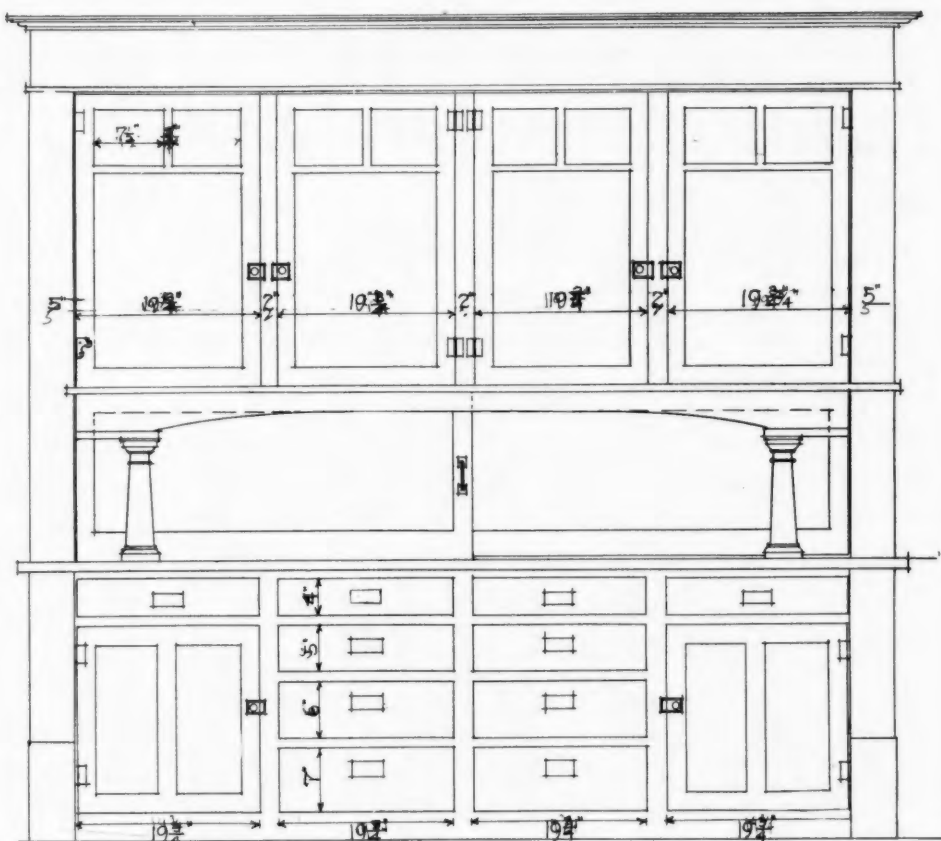
Mr. Rabenberg writes that he built this cabinet out of yellow pine; constructed it entirely by himself and by hand, using an ordinary kit of carpenter's tools together with a combination No. 55 Stanley plow.



Dining Room Side Kitchen Side
Third Prize Fine Carpentry Work, by George H. Rabenberg, of Britton, S. D.



SECTION



DETAIL OF CHINA CLOSET



First Prize Class G—Most Extraordinary Piece of Work

Marble Stair Railing in Elk's Building, Denver, Colo.

Work Designed, Detailed and Executed by Walter Thomson, of Denver, Colo.

AS we expected, Class G of the Prize Competition brought forth a most remarkably array of various interesting pieces of work pertaining to building. About the whole range of builders' activities is represented in these entries. We have examples of work handled by Our Folks ranging all the way from installing a vacuum cleaning outfit in a public library to detailing and superintending construction on a big reinforced concrete viaduct. The great diversity of material submitted in this class, made the choice of the three prize winners extremely difficult. Every example of work seemed just as interesting and worthy as any of the others. It will give us pleasure to illustrate all of these in coming numbers of the *AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER*.

The first prize in this class is awarded to Mr. Walter Thomson, of Denver, Colo., for his work in connection with the marble stair railing illustrated. This is in the new Elk's Building of Denver. Mr. Thomson is employed by the Eureka Marble Works, which had the contract for this work. He made the design of railing and newels to fit the marble steps already in place. His design was accepted; after which he drew up complete details, made patterns, etc.; after which he did all of the cutting (except the roughing out) and finally superintended the setting of the marble in place.

Mr. Thomson writes that he has been a subscriber to the *AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER* for a considerable time and would not want to be without it.



Marble Stair Railing Designed, Detailed, Cut and Set by Walter Thomson, of the Eureka Marble Works, Denver, Colo.



Second Prize Class G—Extraordinary Work Pertaining to Building, Not Usually Considered “Carpenters’ Work”

Good Work With Field Stone

Done by Frank Klepach, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

THE second prize in this part of the competition goes to Mr. Frank Klepach of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for his work with field stone on the Ford residence in that city. In submitting his photos Mr. Klepach writes:

“I notice the splendid prizes offered. The AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER is certainly a help to the young mechanic; but it doesn’t need my praise. I am going to try for the first prize in (Class G). Enclosed find photos of a stone residence built for Mr. M. Ford, a paving contractor of this city.

“The material used was field stones or boulders

fireplace, arch and chimney. The chimney is 7 feet wide at roof line and tapers to 3 feet at top. The chimney cap is one piece of granite 3 feet by 3 feet by 8 inches with a 12 inch by 12 inch flue cut in center. The stone work continues up to the plate all around. The house also has a granite water table. The terrace walk in front has a granite coping and all



Stone Fireplace and Arch Laid Up by Frank Klepach

brought in from the field. The stones were drilled and broken to expose the color of the stone and then laid on edge clean face out.

“The pieces of work that I performed myself are,

piers have rubbed granite caps.

“My brother, John Klepach, was mason contractor on this residence. We are both devoted readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER.”



Striking Work With Field Stone on Residence of Mr. M. Ford, at Cedar Rapids. Chimney, Laid up by Frank Klepach, is especially good



Third Prize Class G—Extraordinary Work Pertaining to Building, Not Usually Considered “Carpenters’ Work”

Masonry on Union Station at Great Falls, Mont.

By Jno. Jenkin, Mason Contractor, of Weyburn, Sask.

THE third prize in Class G goes to Mr. Jno Jenkin, of Weyburn, Sask., Canada. Here are his letter and a photograph of one of his jobs:

“Weyburn, Sask., Canada, January 12, 1913.

“Editor AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER:

“It has taken no small amount of moral courage to enter the carpenter’s domain as a claimant for contracting honors. Inasmuch as I represent a different branch of the business, I trust that my views will be of interest to contractors other than carpenters—as well as to the great army of your readers.

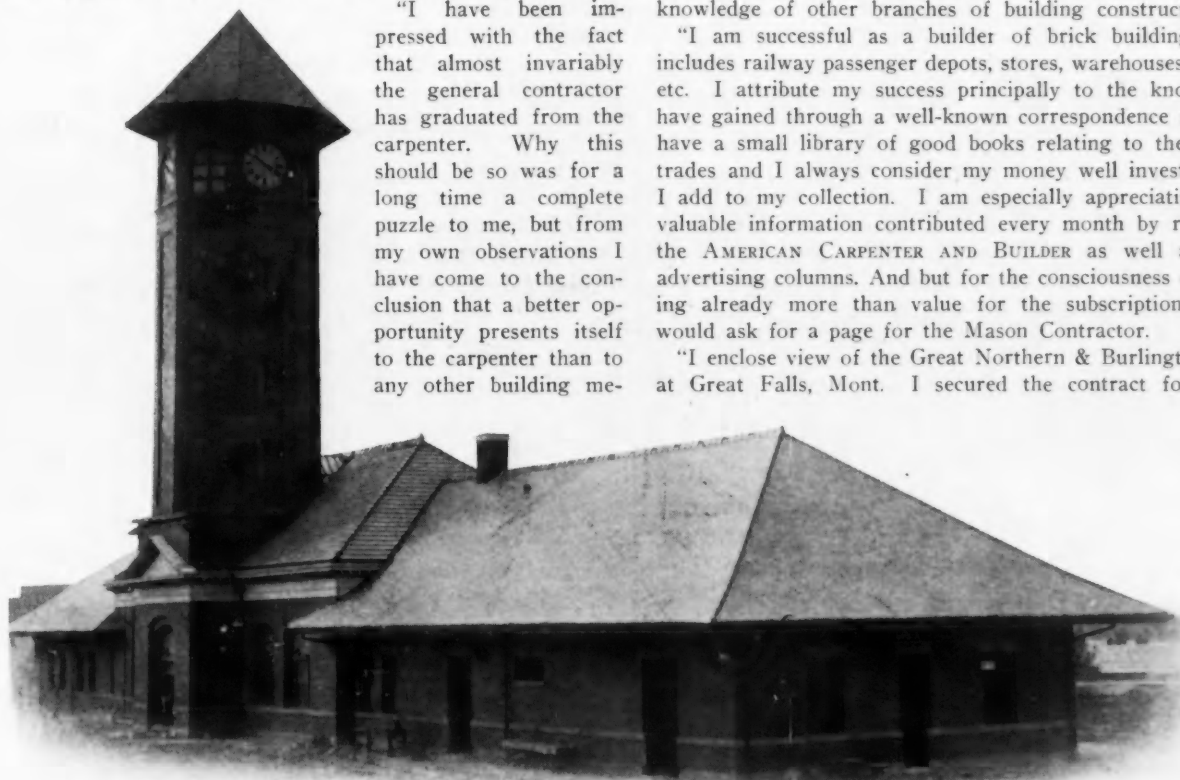
“I have been impressed with the fact that almost invariably the general contractor has graduated from the carpenter. Why this should be so was for a long time a complete puzzle to me, but from my own observations I have come to the conclusion that a better opportunity presents itself to the carpenter than to any other building me-

our skyscrapers and our most beautiful public buildings? For the encouragement of those of us who are not carpenters, let us turn our attention to such buildings as one finds in a city, such as stores, banks, offices, etc., and the carpenter must make way for the mason as the chief operative.

“The problem which confronts the mason is: How to establish? From my own early experiences I am bound to admit that it is hard pulling. I commenced business as a subcontractor and was for some time subordinate to the carpenter contractor. But it was the start and I have held on with determination, endeavoring at all times to assimilate knowledge of other branches of building construction.

“I am successful as a builder of brick buildings, which includes railway passenger depots, stores, warehouses, garages, etc. I attribute my success principally to the knowledge I have gained through a well-known correspondence school. I have a small library of good books relating to the building trades and I always consider my money well invested, when I add to my collection. I am especially appreciative of the valuable information contributed every month by readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER as well as by its advertising columns. And but for the consciousness of receiving already more than value for the subscription price, I would ask for a page for the Mason Contractor.

“I enclose view of the Great Northern & Burlington Depot at Great Falls, Mont. I secured the contract for this in



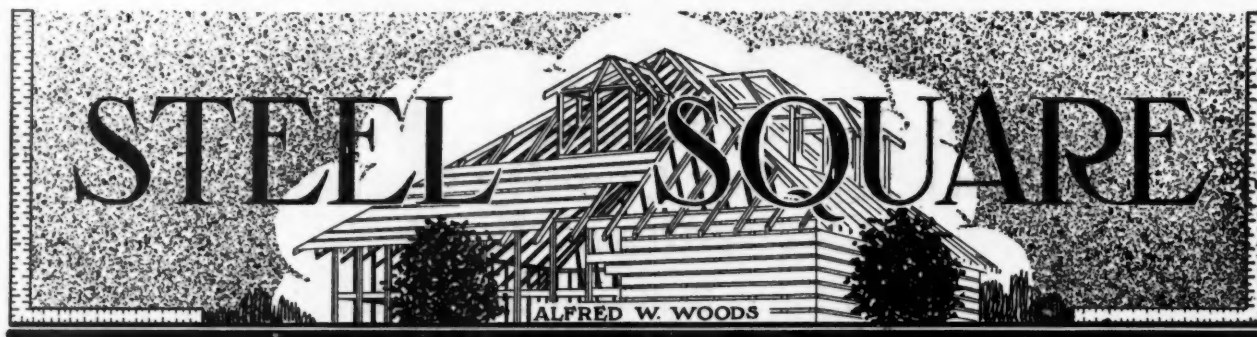
The Union Station at Great Falls, Mont.; One of the Important Masonry Structures Handled Recently by Contractor Jenkin

chanic. A commencement can often be made through the medium of small repair jobs and work which entails only a small outlay of capital. Other features favorable to the carpenter are that he is able to continue work in the winter time and that he is usually the last man to perform the finishing touches to the completed building.

“However, I shall endeavor in a spirit of friendly rivalry to show that the contracting field need not necessarily be confined to the carpenters. As a bricklayer and mason, let me draw attention to the greatness of the art of masonry. Who has not heard of the architectural glories of Rome, or the wonderful structures of the Egyptians, or, to return to the present day, is it not the wielders of the trowel who erect

February, 1910, and the building was occupied in September of that year. My contract was for the masonry only and included the erection of all brick, stone, steel, terra cotta, etc. The octagonal portion of the tower is 90 feet high. The building is approximately 300 feet in length by 70 feet wide at its widest dimension. A wainscot of white enameled brick 6 feet high circumscribes the waiting rooms. The exterior walls are of vitrified paving brick with trimmings of terra cotta and Kettle River sandstone. I trust that my remarks will not be considered a trespass on your columns and that they will be received with the generosity characteristic of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER.

Yours fraternally, JNO. JENKIN.



Woods Lays His Corner Stone

SHOWING HOW TO OBTAIN THE CUT FOR EITHER BUTT OR LAP JOINT WITH THE AID OF THE STEEL SQUARE, AND OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO SAME

WE have a letter from one of the readers, asking that we illustrate butt joints and how to obtain them with the steel square. We are glad to take advantage of the cue thus offered, although as a matter of fact, we have already covered the subject in the course of talking about other things. In looking over some of the back numbers, we find that we have pretty completely covered this subject; we refer to the articles under the following heads:

"Hopper Cuts," in the August, 1908, number.

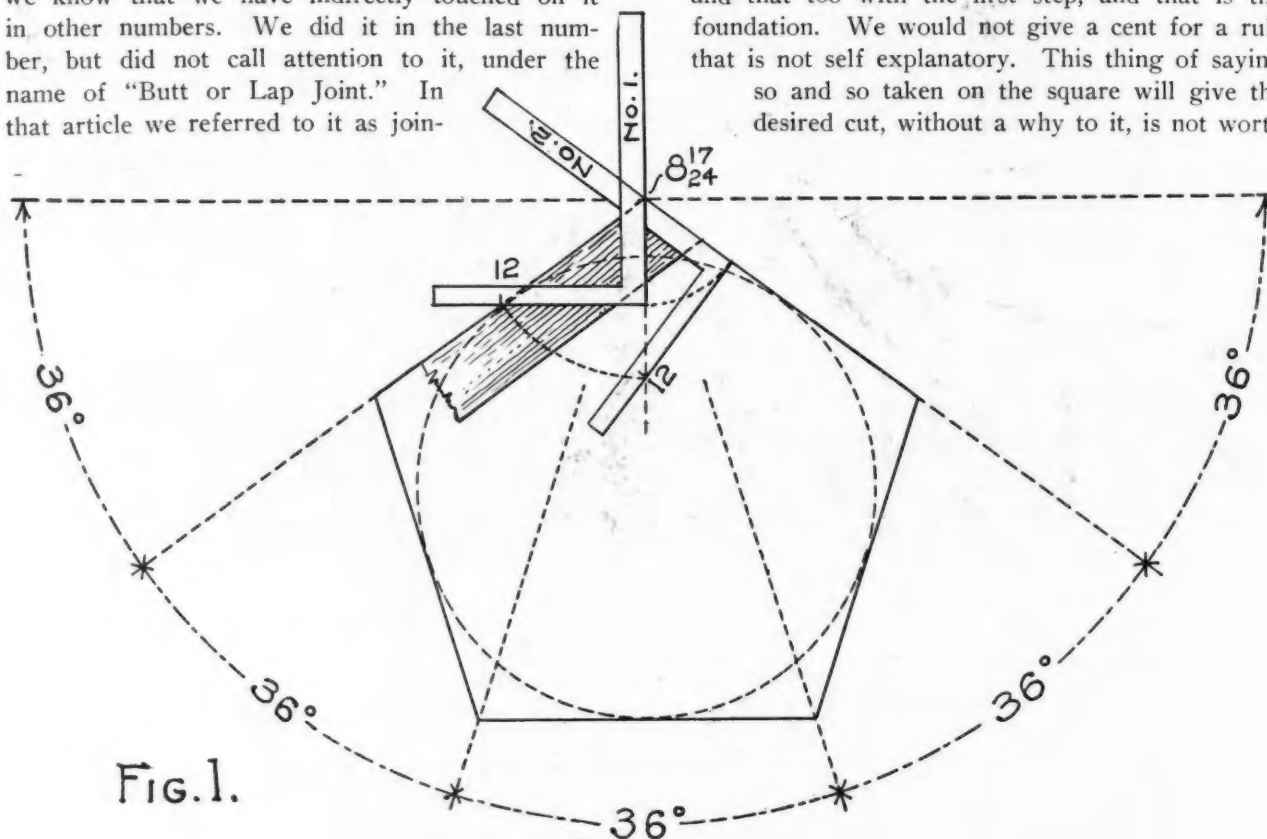
"Miter and Lap Joints," July, 1908.

"Possibilities of the Steel Square," June, 1911, and we know that we have indirectly touched on it in other numbers. We did it in the last number, but did not call attention to it, under the name of "Butt or Lap Joint." In that article we referred to it as join-

January number) is in reality the same as a butt or lap joint.

We want to make the illustration so clear that it can not be forgotten, even though one tried to forget it. In driving a nail it should be hit squarely on the head every time, until it is sent home, and that is just what we want to do with this subject, and we want to give it such biffs in the right place to send it home to stay. To do that, we are going to present the subject with new illustrations and if possible, more to the point.

We believe in getting started off on the right foot and that too with the first step, and that is the foundation. We would not give a cent for a rule that is not self explanatory. This thing of saying so and so taken on the square will give the desired cut, without a why to it, is not worth



Explaining Miter Cut for Pentagon with Steel Square

ing one pitch to that of another. Now just stop and think a minute and see if that is not the case. The cutting of the rafters to fit on to another, or of the purlin post to fit against the purlin (given in the

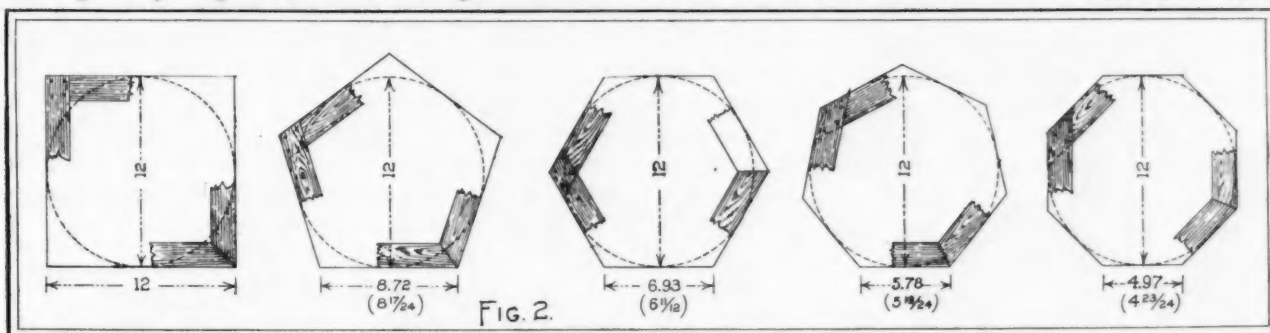
trying to remember, because there is nothing there to stick. Better go to the fountain head and there take observations of the subject, branching out in all of its simplicity. Then it is a delight to follow

up the different forms and see the work unfold itself, at the same time exemplifying why it does so.

Now referring to the question in hand, what determines the figures to use on the square for lap joints? We will answer the question by first illustrating what determines the proportions to use on the square for the miter joint.

Say we wish to find the miter of the pentagon. Referring to Fig. 1, there is shown a semi-circle divided into five equal parts; and as there are 180 degrees in the semi-circle, each part represents 36 degrees. Then the angle of 36 degrees (twelve, and eight and seven-

We call to mind an instance where three-fourths of a true octagon, sixteen feet in diameter, was to go on a square corner of a building and to finish up in a true octagon above the roof. The mason foreman asked the carpenter foreman for a template in order to lay off the foundation and after waiting as long as he could, he laid off his men for a half day so that he might assist the carpenter foreman to lay off and build the template. They retired to a barn where they could have a nice level floor to lay it off full size, from which they could take the necessary measurements and they got it O. K. But Oh! how much easier it would have been to have done it thus: 16 times 4.97 equals 79.52



[Length of Sides of Polygons of Four to Eight Sides and Bases of Calculation with these Figures.]

teen-twenty-fourths), taken on the square, will give the miter for the pentagon, as shown by square No. 1. Since the miter is at the half way place, between the angle formed by the joining of the sides of the pentagon, the same figures applied to the miter line will complete the angle, as shown by square No. 2.

To make this point more clear, just suppose that eight and seventeen-twenty-fourths on square No. 1 is a pivoted point; then take hold of the blade and swing it to the left until its edge is in line with the side of the pentagon, and the twelve mark on the tongue will be found to be resting at the miter line. Therefore the same figures that give the miter for any regular polygon, applied to the miter will give the angle for either the butt or lap joint.

Now, while we are talking about polygons and their miters, we want to go just a little further and show some of the things that the figures used for the miter stand for.

In Fig. 2 are shown several polygons with an inscribed diameter of twelve inches, also the corresponding length of their sides. NOTE these figures are the same as those used to obtain the miter. They form the basis for calculation purposes; that is not generally understood. For instance, having the length of the side for one foot of the diameter, the length for any diameter may be found by simple multiplication. This is worth remembering, because problems of this kind often come up in octagon angles, which are quite commonly used.

We know of instances where the foreman on a job would gladly have given more than the subscription price of this Magazine to have known this simple rule.

inches (6 feet 7 1/2 inches, answer). Nobody would have had to lay off and the contractor would have been several dollars to the good, if his foremen had only known what they did not know and which they thought they did.

Now, we have done a good deal of talking but in reality we have only commenced. In other words, we have only laid the cornerstone containing its treasures upon which to build; and though we have used a big batch of mortar to do it, it is there to stay. But we have not told of all of the treasures contained in that cornerstone. They are there for use, if you will only open it up and get them out. They will furnish the key for all of the cuts for all that goes on above and only quits when the finial is put on the topmost peak.



Earned It

WOMAN—"How did you get that Carnegie medal?"

TRAMP—"Heroism, lady. I took it away from a guy that was twice my size."—*New Orleans Times-Democrat*.

Force of Habit

BEGGAR—"Will you please, sir, give me ten cents for a night's lodging?"

PHILANTHROPIST—"I'll give you five cents if you raise the other five."—*Life*.

Half and Half

"Earlie, why don't you let your little brother have your sled part of the time?"

"I do, ma. I take it going down the hill, and he has it going back."—*New York Morning Telegraph*.

Dimension Stuff

By J. Crow Taylor

Discriminating as to Prospects

IF you can cultivate the faculty of discriminating between the triflers who come to you to figure on prospective building and those who really mean business—learn to gage the prospects and to avoid wasting time on those who are simply dreaming or playing. It will be worth a lot to you every year.

A popular builder can waste a lot of time to no purpose drawing plans for and estimating the cost of building houses that are never to be built—if he takes up keenly with every one that comes along. One man who has made a study of this subject says that he doesn't figure with more than a fourth of the people that come to him. This looks like the man is standing in his own light, but he claims not. His contention is that he has learned to gage prospects, and to discriminate between those who mean business and those who do not.

Some, he says, he feels are calculating on doing very cheap work, work of a class he doesn't care for, and simply want him to give them a start to drive a bargain with some one else; others have no money to build with and are just building air castles that they hope to realize on at some distant future day. He supports this theory with the assertion that he has kept an eye on the prospects he has passed up in this way and proven to his satisfaction that his judgment was good.

If this is true as a rule, that there are many who come for figure and estimate who do not mean business, it is certainly well for the builder to cultivate the faculty of discrimination so that he may conserve his time and energies for real work.

Improvising a Gainer

FOR work that is light enough to handle you can put a dado or gainer head on any one of a number of different machines and do very nicely. You may have one of those combination woodworkers that includes a gainer or dado attachment, and if so that puts you in good shape, especially for a variety of light work. If you have only a table saw you may put a head on this and by adjusting either the table or the saw for depth, do gaining just as you do grooving. If you happen to have a cross-cut rig, the carriage of which moves, you can handle pretty heavy stock on it over a gainer head.

Then there are some new things in swing cross-cuts that suggest great possibilities in the way of improvising gainers for heavy stock. There are swing frames that are so compounded in the hanging that the saw swings back and forth in a parallel line, just as if it were running on a straight, level track. With a bench underneath and a dado or gainer head on the mandrel instead of the regulation cross-cut saw, this

should make an ideal gainer for heavy work. It would be doing its cutting on top, in sight of the operator, while the stock could have a solid rest on the bench below. There are many ways to improvise a power gainer and thus eliminate a lot of expensive hand work.

Re-Working Form Stock

WHEN it becomes necessary to cut and rework stock that has been used as false work or forms for concrete, which is not by any means an uncommon occurrence, there is grit that is so hard on tools that it makes the workman grit his teeth. Get rid of as much of this as practical before starting to work the stock, and then, no matter whether you are going to cut it with a machine or hand saw, turn the gritty side down. This reduces materially the damage it will do to saws, but even then it is bad.

If you have a saw that has been set too wide, this is good stuff to reduce it on, as it will wear off the corners, so that when you file sharp again there will be less set. Avoid using fine toothed saws in this work; take the coarsest ones you have, and if they are a little dull already it won't hurt much, for if they are keen sharp they will soon be dull. If you have a newly filed saw on your machine, take it off and put on one that is slick, saving the sharp one for clean work, and in this way you can rework your form stock without it doing so much damage to your best saws.

The Value of Reputation

THERE is such a general impression today, especially in the larger towns and cities, that the majority of builders build only for outward appearance, and to sell instead of to stand, that more than the ordinary amount of value attaches to a reputation for doing good, honest work.

Recently a successful builder, who has been at the work only a few years, made the statement that the thing which is worth more to him today than all he has made, and more than his bank standing and record, which are both good, is his reputation for doing good work. He has made it a point to leave nothing but pleased customers behind him, and at times has used up his profits on a job to satisfy the customer. The result is that those he has built for are the means of getting him most of his new jobs; they do him more good than any of his advertising. People seek him with confidence that they will be treated right, and he gets lots of his work without competition though there are plenty of other builders around anxious for jobs, many of whom would do the work cheaper.

This is what makes consolation for and helps bring business to the man who knows his business and insists on doing his work right.

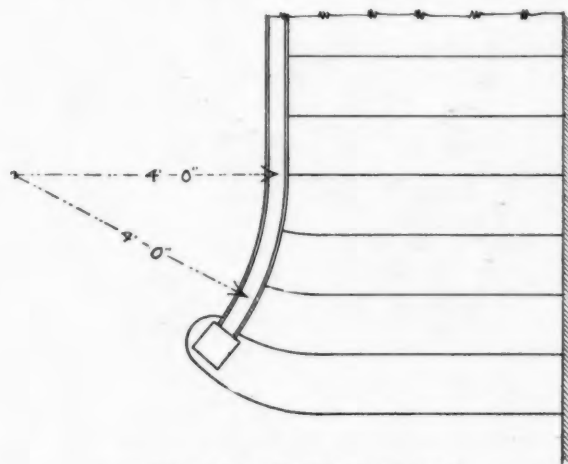
More Shop Kinks

HELPFUL IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR CARPENTERS, CABINET MAKERS AND MACHINE WORKERS

By Wm. C. Jasbury

HOW ABOUT THIS? While out measuring a new building for stairs recently (and in fact many times) have noticed carpenters trying to hold stuff while working it, not having a vise bench. I have seen them down on the floor going through contortions fearful to behold. I have often wondered and remarked why a good bench with a vise on each end would not be a time and labor saver, especially when putting stair rail together and such other work. Of course some builders have such conveniences; but it is not the rule.

SOMETHING ABOUT STAIR HAND RAILING. I am now going to dwell at some length on the complex and interesting topic of stair hand railing—that is, the kind that makes wrinkles and grey hairs. As I have said before, the larger part of the books on the subject are so full of square and cube root, high geometry and various heiroglyphics (Gee! but that is a big one) only found in College libraries, that the average mechanic who usually has to start to work before he can go to

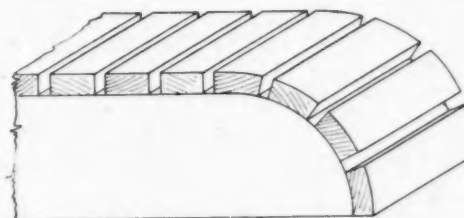


Piece of Rail Wanted for This Stair

College, can get nowhere at all with such works—in fact, I will sit in a pessimist's chair long enough to say such works are only aids to sanitariums, and furthermore would drive a man to strong drink. The book sent me by some good friend called "Dr. Grant's System of Spiral Stair Railing," is nearer what I think is a common sense thing; but of course he goes on so far that I get lost in his maze of description, because he has much more brains than I. But I want to say that my system of curved hand rail is along the same lines, and therefore I am about to tell how I have gotten out many jobs.

Any time I have a piece of curved rail (rake) to make, I first get the exact plan layout of the rail; that is, the level plan. For instance, if the ends of the treads project $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch over the outside edge

of the string, and the string is $\frac{7}{8}$ inch thick, the baluster is plumb over the string with the outside edge of the baluster in the same vertical plane as the face of the string. Then, say the baluster is $1\frac{3}{4}$ by $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches square, measure $\frac{7}{8}$ inch from the face of the baluster; which will give the back of the string and also the center of the rail. Now in taking the measurements, there should be established some



Bending Drum Cut to Shape

point from which to work; then stick to it.

Say we take the back of the string, which in this case is at the center of the rail, and this is the foundation. Now, there are some cases where the back of the string is not the center of the rail; it depends on the width of the baluster; if it is $1\frac{1}{4}$ by $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches, then measure in $\frac{5}{8}$ inch from the face of the baluster to get the center of rail. This does not line up with the string by $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch, so always reckon from the center of rail unless fitting around a form or drum.

Now, say we want a piece of rail for a stair containing a curve, the radius to the center of the rail to be 4 feet and the balusters are $1\frac{3}{4}$ by $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Subtract $\frac{1}{2}$ of $1\frac{3}{4}$ which leaves $\frac{7}{8}$ of an inch, and this subtracted from 4 feet leaves 3 feet $11\frac{1}{8}$ inches from the face of string to radius point. This would also be the radius of the outside of bending drum, or sometimes called curb.

The drum is made thus: Take two pieces of



Wood Veneer or Canvas Glued on Holds Curved Shape

spruce, hemlock, yellow pine or any cheap wood, saw them out the right radius, minus the thickness of the slats, leaving some straight for where the spring line begins. The string is sprung to the form, as shown and clamped. I usually kerf a string and bend it before the housing or cuts are made. If the string bends in or out, I kerf and either glue wood veneer on over the kerfs or canvass, as shown.



MAKING POWER

Watching Jimmie

Part IV

I GET UP EARLY AND HELP TO DO SOME GOOD WOODWORKING STUNTS

By W. D. Graves

AS I expressed some doubt as to the availability of my old alarm clock Jimmie came over in the evening and brought his. It was one of these new fangled contraptions that ring a fellow up on the installment plan; and Jimmie so aroused my interest in its mechanism that I went to bed an hour earlier than usual and set it at 4:30. It worked fine.

The first time it rang, so Harriet says, I simply murmured "Hello"; but the next time I more than murmured—and left off the final o. At the first ring of which I have any clear recollection I leaped out of bed and made a patient search for the lever which shut the noise off. Failing to find this, I threw the thing out the window. As it still continued in audible evidence I so far lost my temper as to rush down stairs and out doors where, finding the clock hanging on the big lilac bush, I seized it in both hands, threw it in the snow drift alongside the path and jumped on it till the infernal noise was hushed. This done I suddenly came to realize that it was one of the coldest mornings of the winter, and that I hadn't even stopped to put my slippers on. Harriet says that she heard my teeth chatter, and I don't doubt it even though they are "store teeth" and were still in their bowl of water on the bedroom dresser. Considering my years I made almighty quick time getting into bed—and Harriet got out as quickly. Thus an early breakfast was assured.

Gas Engine Flywheel as Horizontal Borer

Arriving at the shop I found that Jimmie had his blocks there and that he and his father were making preparations to bore them. They were simply sections

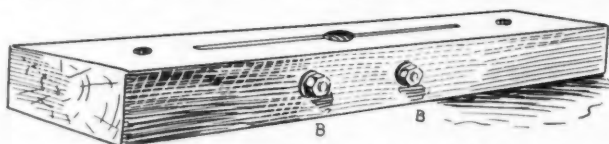


Fig. 1.—2 by 4 Oak Piece for Auger Holder

twenty inches long sawed off the end of a big maple log, and the intent was to bore them for a steel shaft and then turn them as large as the smallest would go which was about two feet in diameter. I called Jimmie's attention to the fact that, being yet green, they would check in seasoning.

"Yes," said he, "I expect them to check some; but

they are of curly grain and, with a three inch hole through the heart, I don't believe they will open up very badly. Anyway I'll use them till they show signs of weakness, or till they are seasoned, then hoop them."

"But as they shrink the hole will become smaller and they will stick fast on the shafts."

"I guess not. I'm going to bore them with a three-

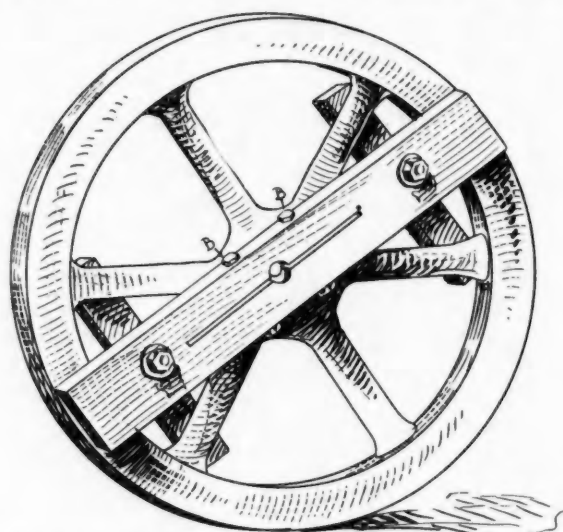


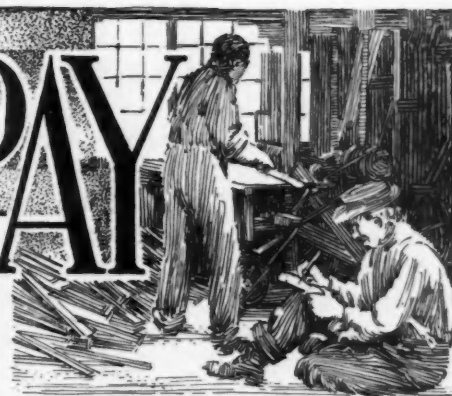
Fig. 2.—Gas Engine Fly Wheel With Auger Holder Attached

inch auger and use a $2\frac{7}{8}$ -inch shaft. A little play will do not harm."

It was Blaydell's intent to attach the auger to the center of the fly wheel of the little engine which drives Jimmie's machine. This was only about fourteen inches from the floor and Jimmie was tacking down some joists to serve as temporary guides for a roughly made table to slide on. To the front of this table, which was made in the simplest manner possible and of the most available material, was attached a board high enough so that the auger would bore through it and the end be steadied thereby when it was not in the work. Such a crude steady-rest would of course not serve for a permanent machine, but for the few holes in this job it did very well.

To attach the auger Blaydell made a "handle" of a piece of oak 2 by 4 as long as the outside diameter of the fly wheel. He didn't square the hole for the shank, but bored it an eighth of an inch smaller than

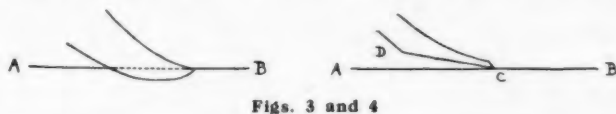
WOOD WORKERS PAY



the diagonal of the square, cut through a saw kerf extending longitudinally about five inches each side of the center and put a couple of four-inch bolts close to either side of the hole, as shown in Fig. 1. He next fastened this "handle" to the fly wheel by means of bolts extending through its ends and through short strips placed against the back sides of the spokes, as shown in Fig. 2. The hole was carefully centered by pushing through it the bit with which it was bored and bringing the spur to bear in the center of the shaft. Before finally tightening the bolts its centrality was made absolute by turning the wheel by hand and tapping the "handle" into position with a hammer. The shank of the auger was now forced into position, the bolts B, B, tightened up; and, the wheels being again turned by hand, the shank sprung till the spur ran exactly true. Pressing the point of the spur against the front of the sliding table the engine was started, the auger running into its steady rest at the same time; and the boring machine was ready for business.

To Sharpen an Auger Bit

Before the auger was put in place, however, Jimmie got a lesson in so sharpening an auger or bit as to make it cut end wood without requiring much pressure. Blaysdell instructed him that it should be sharpened the same as for ordinary work except that boring end wood emphasized the need of sharply defined clearance on the under side of the lip. Augers and bits which have been much used—and even some of the cheaper ones when new—will be found to be rounded somewhat as shown, exaggerated, in Fig. 3. In order to do the cleanest and easiest work in any wood, and in order to work at all where the worm does not get a firm hold, it is necessary that the under side of the lip be filed in such a manner that the cutting edge will be the lowest point, i.e., the first to



Figs. 3 and 4

strike the wood. This condition should be the first thing noted and, before any other filing is done, the lower side of the lip should be brought to a true and straight surface which, when the tool starts work, will stand relatively to the surface of the wood about as c, d, is to a, b, in Fig. 4. Perhaps the angle need not be quite as great as is here shown but, however

small or great it is, it should be sharply defined. As

will be seen at a glance, when the lip is considered as a separate cutting tool, not much pressure will be required to force it into the wood.

Having the auger properly sharpened, Jimmie did the boring very easily alone; the only hitch being that his roughly constructed table didn't slide very freely on the wooden guides. He was going to oil them, but harkened to a suggestion that he rub on some hard soap instead, and, after trial, admitted that it was much better than oil would have been.

Turning Large Rollers With Buzz Saw

While the boring was being done Blaysdell was preparing the jigs for turning the blocks. The fact that he and I had in mind slightly different ways of doing the job led to a somewhat heated discussion as to which was the better, and to some personalities which would not interest the average reader—though

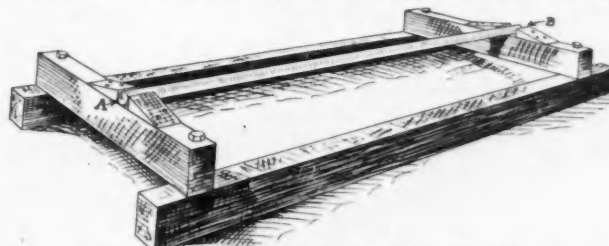


Fig. 5. Jig for Holding Rollers While Turning

Jimmie seemed to enjoy them hugely. As both methods called for the same jig we tried both, without coming any nearer to an agreement. As Jimmie wouldn't take sides (I think the scamp rather likes to see us at odds on mechanical matters) I'll leave it to the crowd.

Blaysdell took two pieces of 4 by 6, each 6 feet long and laid them on edge, parallel, about 2 feet apart. Across the ends of these, on top, he secured shorter pieces of the same; making sure that the distance between them was twice the length of the rollers plus the diameter of the saw he was going to use. On the top of each of these shorter pieces he nailed a couple of blocks far enough from each side of the center so that one of the pieces of shafting, A, B, which Jimmie proposed to use for the axles would just lie snugly between them; all as shown in Fig. 5.

Thus far he and I had agreed perfectly, but had to

draw lots to see whose method of using the device should have preference. I won, so the frame was placed on the saw table with the shaft directly over the saw and parallel with it; the whole being secured by means of lag bolts screwed into the under side, through blocks which bore under the edges of the table. The thickest available rip saw having been placed on the arbor, the table was adjusted so that the distance from the center of the shaft (A, B, Fig. 5) to the top of the saw was equal to the radius of the desired roller. One of the blocks was then slipped on the shaft; and then, the machine being started, pushed along its length; thus removing the surplus material for the width of the saw kerf. After push-

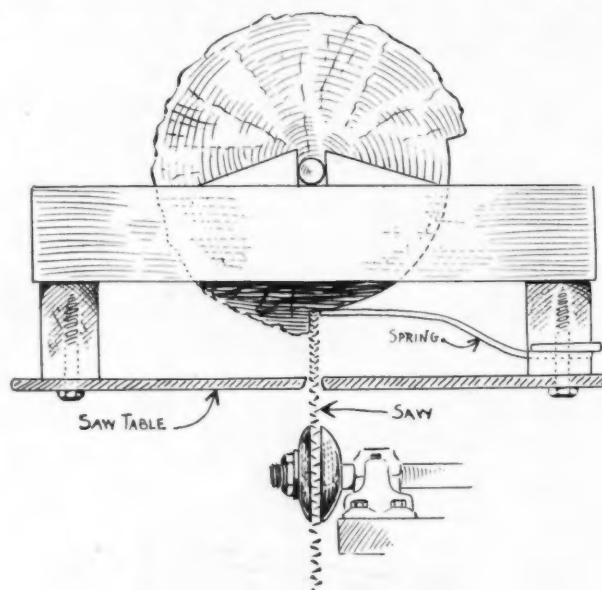


Fig. 6. Buzz Saw Used as Turning Lathe.

ing it back, with the saw running in the same kerf, it was turned to the left, the thickness of the saw cut, then pushed forward as before; and so on till it was practically round. Of course the work could have been considerably expedited by using a dado head and making the cuts wider. This, it is true, would have made the roller more noticeably polygonal, but if the flat surfaces were even as wide as $\frac{3}{4}$ inch it would not matter on a roller of this kind.

In order that the block might be readily turned just the right distance after, and before each cut, there was fastened to the right hand timber a flat spring with its end extending close to the front of the saw, as shown in Fig. 6, and in line with its right hand side, so the block had simply to be turned against it before each cut. In order to steady the block during the latter part of the cut a similar spring might be placed behind the saw, extending to the line of the other side thereof; but we found this needless.

Blaysdell's Way

Blaysdell's way was to place the same frame in a position at right angles with the one shown; that is, with the shaft directly above and substantially parallel

with the *saw arbor*, instead of the saw itself. He used the same spring stop, located the same *relatively to the saw*, and rotated the block continuously, making an helical cut like that of a Blanchard lathe. He claimed that this method held over the other in that it made the roller really round, avoiding the flat surfaces which I considered immaterial, and made it possible to cut gains, or rabbets, for rings around the ends. The latter he accomplished by lowering the table a quarter of an inch and clamping a block on the shaft to stop the roller when the gain was cut the desired distance from the end, 2 inches in this case. The table was then raised, the roller turned to within 2 inches of the other end, then lowered as before and the roller finished.

With Blaysdell's method it was necessary to use a cut-off saw, or a cut-off and rip saw of the same size put on the arbor together, and we found it necessary to skew the frame a bit in order to give clearance to the back teeth.

"Suppose," said Jimmie, "you wanted to turn rollers without a hole in the center, or with a very small one? I'm figuring on a job, now, that calls for a lot of 6-inch rollers 2 feet long with half inch gudgeons. A half inch rod 4 feet long wouldn't be stiff enough to support them while being sawed."

"If they were not to be bored at all," said Blaysdell, "the job would involve the rigging of a pair of centers like lathe centers, which probably wouldn't be worth while; but if they are to have gudgeons driven in it as simple as this, and much easier because lighter. You would drive your gudgeons in the squares and build your frame of light material, making it only as long, inside, as the rollers. Then, instead of sliding your roller on the shaft as we have done this time, you would slide both the roller and the frame either against the regular fence or against a temporary one rigged crosswise of the table, according to the method you prefer."

"Say, Dad, a fellow can do most anything with a buzz saw, can't he?"

"Yes," said Blaysdell, taking the words out of my mouth, "but one must be constantly on guard against getting too interested and wasting time on jobs that can be better done otherwise."

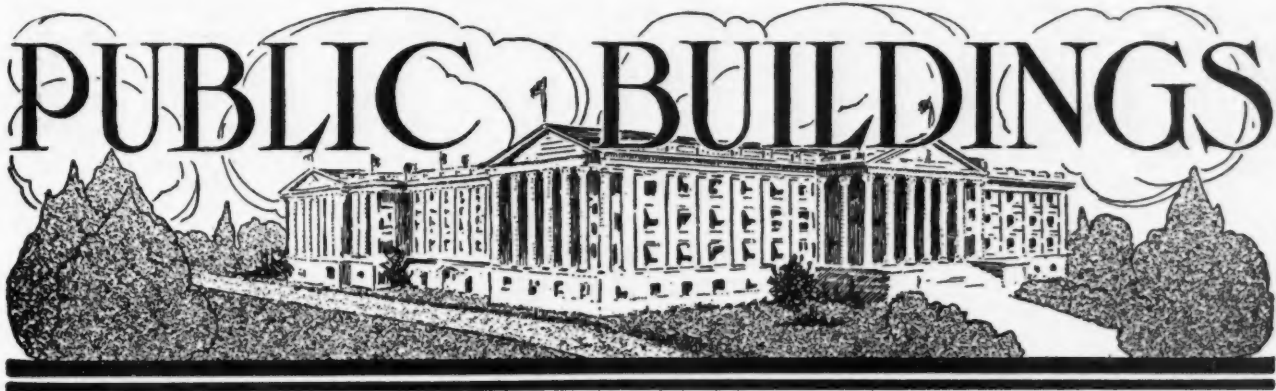
When I got home Jimmie's alarm clock was hanging behind the kitchen stove, evidently unharmed, and I think I heard Lorna giggle when I looked at it. Jimmie has been up after it every night, for a week now, but has forgotten to take it each time. He might as well take it along, for I don't want it any more.



Mistaken

FIRST COSTER (outside picture dealer's window)—
"Who was this 'ere Nero, Bill? Wasn't he a chap that was always cold?"

SECOND COSTER—"No; that was Zero; anuver bloke altogether."—*Tit-Bits*.



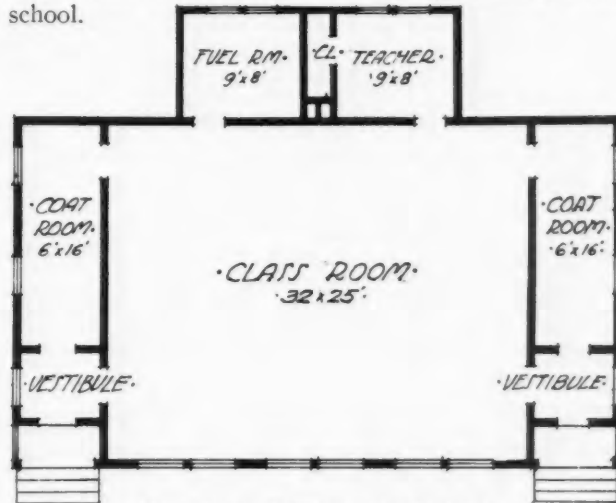
Practical School for a Small Town

One of the many artistic and practical schools designed by the well known schoolhouse architect, G. W. Ashby, of Chicago, is shown below.

The construction of this school house is of wide siding and cement plaster, combined with shingled roof. It is a one room school; and is especially suited to communities where a larger building is not needed. The entrances on each side of the front give upon vestibules from which open the cloak rooms—one for pupils of each sex. To the rear of the class room is provided a fuel room and teachers' private room. Special attention is called to the lighting. Windows are arranged along one side only. The light comes from these over the pupils' shoulders which is highly desirable in preserving the eyesight.

The building gives a beautiful effect, and ought to

find much favor over the common ordinary rural school.



Floor plan embodying best principles.



Design for Model One-Room School Building



Noon Hour Talks by the Boss Carpenter

Talk No. 8

THE BOSS EXPLAINS ABOUT THE EFFECT OF AN ECCENTRIC LOAD ON A SHORT COLUMN, AND SHOWS METHOD OF CALCULATION

WHEN the "calculating squad" assembled on the day following the talk on centrally loaded short columns, one of the men asked the Boss to turn back to the page in the log book which contained Figs. 12 and 13, and explain the condition present when the column carried a load which was *not* central.

"I can see," said the man, "that the unit stress will be uniformly distributed over the column cross-section when the load is central as in Fig. 12, but what happens *in* the material when the load is a little off-center? It would seem to me that one side of the column would be loaded a little bit heavier than the other."

"That is just exactly what happens," said the Boss, "and the point is to find out how much more one side feels the effect of the eccentric load than does the other side. Suppose that we look at Figs. 15 to 17

in order to get this matter clear."

The Boss then constructed Figs. 15, 16, and 17 in the "log book," and explained that while Figs. 15 and 17 were to illustrate instances where eccentric loading on short columns might occur, Fig. 16 was to show the *internal* stress conditions in the *column material* due to loads carried as shown in the other figures. The little arrows shown were made to represent the manner of distribution of the internal stress in the material when the load was applied at the top.

"Suppose," said the Boss, "that we had a load centrally applied on a short column, then the stress in the material will be uniform all over the column cross-section, as shown by the upper part of Fig. 16. Each of these little arrows are of the same length in order to represent this condition. Now suppose that we were to move this load a little way to the right as shown in the brick pier in Fig. 15. The pier or column would still have to carry just as much weight as it did before, and also would be subjected to an unbalanced action on account of the load being on one side of the center. The lower part of Fig. 16 shows this unbalanced effect. One set of arrows point in the same direction as formerly, but the other set point in the opposite direction, since the other side tends to tip up instead of crush down. Suppose that we call p , a compressive tendency, or a unit crushing action, then from the figure p_2 will add to this effect on the right-hand side of the column, and lessen the compression or crushing effect on the left-hand side.

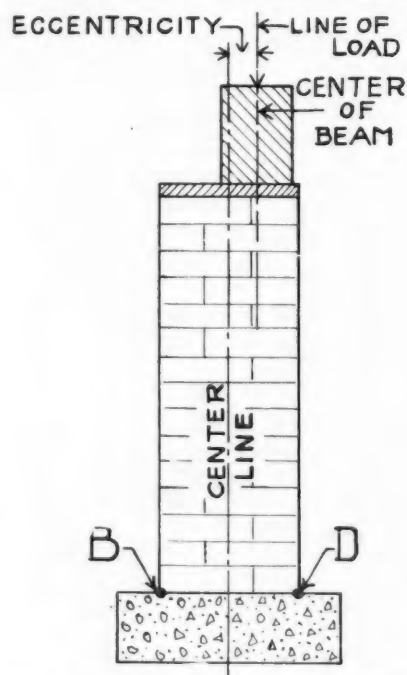


Fig. 15. Brick Pier with Eccentric Load, Due to Weight on Floor Beams

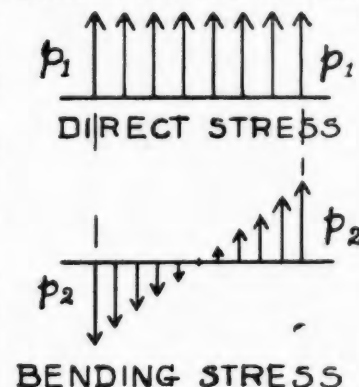


Fig. 16. A Graphical Illustration of the Unit Stress Conditions in a Short Column Loaded with an Eccentric Load

In fact, this difference in internal stress in the material may be so great, due to the distance of the load from the center, that there will be no crushing tendency at all on the left side of Figs. 15 or 17. The actual internal stress at *B* in Fig. 15 may be zero, or even may have a tension value. If a tension value was present, there would be a danger of the joints in the brickwork opening up, since mortar will stand little or no tensile or pulling stresses. This shows us that we must be careful in placing loads, and also in figuring members of this kind.

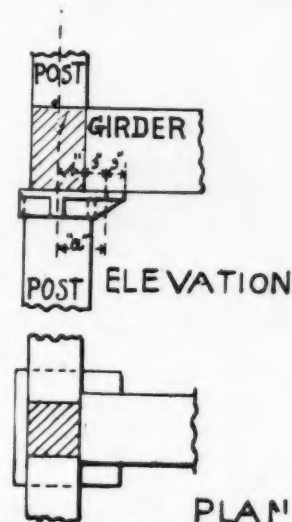


Fig. 17.—Short Post Loaded with a Floor Girder on a Side Bracket and Also Carrying Load from Another Post on Upper Floor.

"The formula that we will use for figuring eccentric loads on short columns is

$$C = \frac{W_1}{A} + \frac{W_2 a e}{I} \quad (\text{Formula No. 6})$$

where *C* is the working unit compression stress in pounds per square inch for the material used; *W*₁ is the total load on the post or column in pounds; *A* is the area of the column cross-section in square inches; *W*₂ is the amount of the total load which is off-center, in pounds; *a* is the distance of the line of action of the eccentric load from the center line of the column, or the *eccentricity*, in inches; *e* is the distance in inches from the center of gravity of the cross-section of the column to the outer fiber on the compression side of the column or to the side nearest the load; while *I* is the moment of inertia of the column cross-section about an axis passing through the center of gravity of the section. Values of *e* and *I* for common shapes are given in a table in Talk No. 4. Values of *A* may be obtained by multiplying by 2 the values of the "half areas" given in a table in Talk No. 4. Values of *C* may be found by dividing by 4 to 6 the final crushing strengths given in the first column of the table in Talk No. 7, or from the values given for brickwork or stonework in the latter part of that article. *C* will be the combined values of *p*₁ and *p*₂ shown in Fig. 16.

"For an example, let us see what would be the difference in the unit stresses which would exist at the base of the brickwork pier shown in Fig. 15 if a load of 24,000 pounds was to be carried by the uniformly loaded beam which is supported at one end by the pier. The pier is 13 inches square and 7 feet high.

First, if the end load from this beam was central on the pier, the unit stress at *B* and *D*, and in fact all over the base of the pier, would be

$$\frac{24000}{13 \times 13}$$

$$= 144$$

plus the weight of the pier itself, divided by the area of the pier. (See Formula No. 5). The weight of the brick pier would be

$$\frac{13 \times 13}{144} \times 7 \times 120 = 985 \text{ pounds}$$

where 144 is the number of square inches in a square foot, and 120 is the weight of a cubic foot of brick work.

"Then 12,985 pounds would be the entire weight on the base of the pier, and

$$\frac{12,985}{13 \times 13}$$

$$= 77 \text{ lbs. sq. inch (nearly)}$$

from Formula No. 5. This value is seen to be safe according to the working value for brickwork given in Talk No. 7.

"Now let us put this same beam in the position shown in Fig. 15 and let the center line of the beam be placed 2 inches away from the center line of the pier. Then applying Formula No. 6 and using values of *A*, *I*, and *e* from Talk No. 4, we would have for the unit stress at *D*

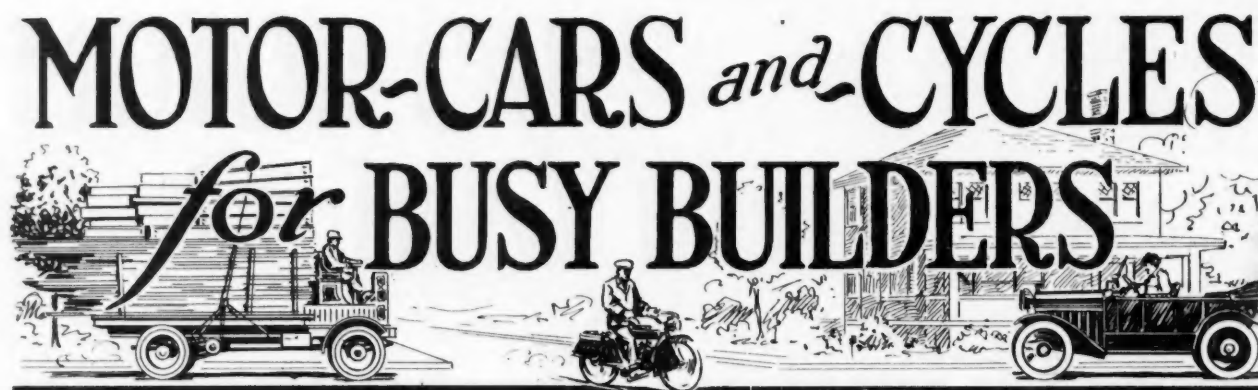
$$C = \frac{12,985}{13 \times 13} + \frac{12,000 \times 2 \times 6\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{12} \times 13 \times 13 \times 13 \times 13} \\ = 77 + 65\frac{1}{2} = 142\frac{1}{2} \text{ lbs. per square inch.}$$

"Thus you see," said the Boss, "that the unit stress in the material at *D* is almost doubled by placing this beam as shown in Fig. 15, and the unit working stress for lime mortar would be exceeded.

"What would be the condition of affairs at the side *B*?" asked one of the men.

"I will tell you about that tomorrow," said the Boss, "and I will show you how to figure a post which supports a side girder load and also a top load as shown in Fig. 17."





As motorcycles will continue to be more and more used by carpenters and builders, and no doubt each rider has at times encountered vexatious problems, the American Carpenter and Builder, will, beginning next month, devote necessary space to answering questions pertaining to motorcycles. Make your questions as brief as possible yet explicit. Address all inquiries to Motorcycle Editor, American Carpenter and Builder. Also write and tell him your experiences with motorcycles and enclose a photo.

The Motorcycle as an Investment

By Frank L. Valiant

"DO you believe that the purchase of a motorcycle would prove a good investment for me?"

This was the question propounded to me by a very good friend not long ago. I will relate the circumstances that led up to the question and the experiences that followed, for the reason that no doubt there are many others persons in exactly the same position as my friend, Mr. P.

Mr. P. formerly lived in a small city of about 35,000 population. He was a carpenter by trade, but because of sickly children he moved into the country on a little farm about 12 miles out. Naturally there was not a great deal of building going on where he was located, so P. took the Civil Service examination and was appointed a rural carrier. He had a little money saved up and

bought a horse and wagon and began distributing mail over a route 18 miles in length with 86 boxes. He managed to get along very well, by means of doing a little trucking on the side, but it didn't take him long to figure out

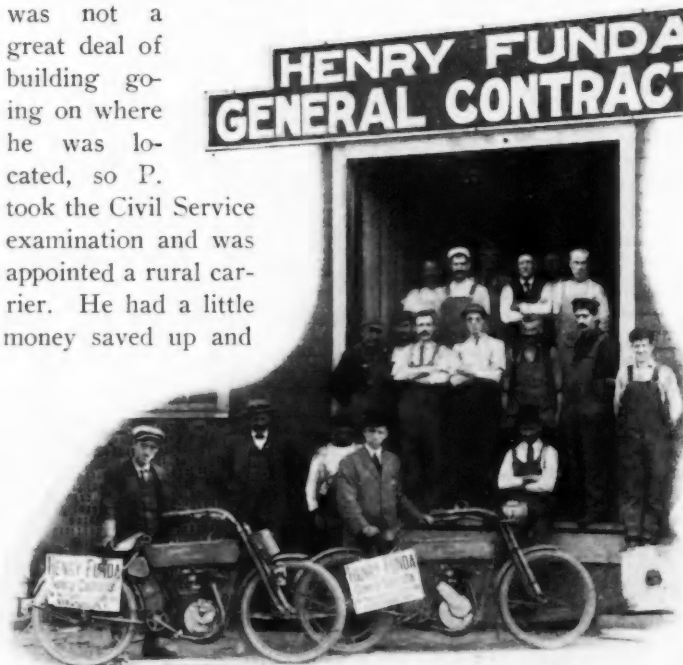


C. A. Parker, a Denver, Col., carpenter, who recently made a tandem trip with his wife as passenger from Denver to Columbus, Ohio. He finds the motorcycle indispensable.

that the horse was eating up all the profits of the trucking business, and besides, it required the better part of the day for him to cover his route.

Mr. P. was a subscriber to the R. F. D. News and it was through reading of other carriers' experience with motorcycles that first caused him to become interested. Knowing that I was considered more or less an authority on the two-wheeled machines, having ridden motorcycles since 1900, Mr. P. asked me to come and see him.

Should he or should he not purchase a motorcycle? I advised him exactly as I would counsel any one else. I told him I believed a motorcycle would prove mighty profitable and named a half dozen leading makes, any one of which was recognized as one of the leaders. He mentioned a certain well advertised machine and asked my opinion. I urged him against the purchase of that particular machine for many reasons, one of my principal reasons being that it was impossible to



Henry Funda, Builder and General Contractor of Syracuse, N.Y., has worked up a big business through progressive energetic methods. He finds the motorcycle an absolute necessity in looking after the many branches of his work.

build a motorcycle and build it right at the price advertised.

Mr. P. thanked me and I thought nothing more about it. Three months later I happened to be in the neighborhood and motored out to my friend's house, only to find him in despair. Contrary to my advice he had purchased the cheap machine. Everything had gone along fine for the first month and then things began to happen. First it was a broken frame. Then the bearing chewed up, necessitating express to the factory and a delay of ten days. No sooner had the machine come back than the connecting rod crumpled up, in addition to a few minor mishaps. It wasn't the cost my friend objected to, as each damaged part had been replaced gratis by the factory, but it was the loss of time necessitated by the frequent trips back to the factory.



BUILDERS SUPPLY MAN "GETS THERE"

W. C. Cassidy, travelling salesman for the Contractors Supply Co., Springfield, Mass., finds the motorcycle a valuable aid to him in calling on contractors and builders. Frequently he finds contractors miles from the city on some job, and by means of the motorcycle he is able to call on them, where otherwise a delay of a day might be necessary.

By this time P. was willing to listen to reason, and acting on my advice, he sold the machine at a price considerably less than the original cost and purchased one of the most reliable motorcycles on the market, but at a figure \$65 higher than the original cost of his initial machine.

I got a letter from him the other day and a more enthusiastic motorcyclist would be hard to find. Not once has it been necessary to ship the motor back to the factory and my friend wrote me that not only has he paid for the machine twice over, but he has been enabled to pay nearly half the mortgage on his little farm, this in a period of fourteen months. Where it took him nearly all day previously to cover his route with a horse and wagon, he can now get through by ten or half past ten o'clock in the morning, leaving the remainder of the morning to work his garden. The



DELIVERS BUILDERS HARDWARE QUICKLY

W. C. Martin, Washington C. H., Ohio, would not be able to successfully transact his business but for a motorcycle. He repairs farm machinery, and being interested in a hardware store frequently is called upon to deliver building essentials miles in the country.

entire afternoon he devotes to doing odd jobs of carpenter work around the neighborhood, and so much work has come his way that he is considering resigning from the R. F. D. and devoting his entire time to his original trade. The farmers in the entire county have learned that they do not have to wait a week for a town carpenter—as Mr. P. can get "on the job" in a few minutes.

The above incident is a true story in every detail and is related because there are hundreds of persons just like Mr. P. who no doubt would be able to double their income by using a motorcycle.

From a carpenter's standpoint, the next question



SUPERINTENDENT OF CONSTRUCTION USES MOTORCYCLE
M. C. Schanck, Superintendent of the Street Department, Kings County Lighting Co., Brooklyn, N. Y. He finds the motorcycle a great time saver as well as an economical means of rapid transit.

arises. "What kind of a motorcycle should I purchase?" Every advertisement asserts that particular machine is the best made, and every dealer knows positively that you will get "stung" unless you purchase the machine he is selling. You then write for catalogs and forthwith are so smothered with printed blandishments that you may be pardoned for not knowing which direction to turn.

First of all, what will you require of a machine? Providing that this is your first experience with a motorcycle I would strongly urge the purchase of a single cylinder machine. There are a number of excellent singles on the market with engines rated at about 4 horsepower. A machine of this power is capable of traveling from four to forty miles an hour and will jog along all day, day in and day out, at a



Isaac Heckman is a builder at Middletown, Ohio. Not only is the motorcycle a great help to him in earning a living, but he uses it a great deal for pleasure. The photo was snapped just after he returned from a lucky turtle hunt. Heckman is an enthusiastic sportsman, and although working nearly all day he is able to get on his motorcycle and get in some shooting and fishing between times.

gait of 25 miles an hour. Most of the leading 1913 machines are fitted with luggage carriers without extra charge, and a large sized tool box may be carried on the rear without inconvenience and without an appreciable diminution in speed. The leading single cylinder motorcycles for 1913 range in price from \$200 to \$225. Whether to purchase a chain or belt drive is a point that could be argued from now until doomsday without arriving at a positive conclusion. The writer has ridden both belt and chain drive machines for the past thirteen years and must confess that he likes one as well as the other. I would, however, choose between a V-type belt or chain, as the flat belt has proved unsatisfactory, a fact proved by the fact that the leading manufacturers have, with few exceptions, discarded the flat belt.

If you reside in a hilly country or where the roads are not of the best, a twin cylinder machine of seven horsepower would perhaps suit the requirements better. A twin will carry you and your tools any place that any 40-horsepower automobile can go and a great many places that no automobile can travel. The prices

of 1913 twins range from \$250 to \$335, according to the type and make. For very hilly country or where the roads are unusually bad, a two-speed hub is recommended, and this year there has been put on the market a machine fitted with a self-starter and two-speed hub which makes a machine that will carry a rider any place with no physical effort whatever, as all the energy required to start the motor is to depress a small pedal with the left foot.

The cost of upkeep for a motorcycle naturally will vary with the machine, the rider and road conditions. The writer rides a six horsepower twin cylinder machine of the 1911 vintage and so far has covered upwards of 25,000 miles without two dollars' worth of expense outside of the money expended for tires and gasoline and oil. I have traveled over some of the finest roads in the United States and over some of the most execrable roads imaginable. I average about 75 miles to the gallon of gasoline and pint of oil—sometimes more and sometimes less, but 75 miles is a pretty fair average. My machine originally cost \$250 and I can sell it any day for \$150 or more, so at best there is a depreciation of only \$100 in two years. To have covered the same distance on a train would have cost at least \$625, to say nothing of the pleasure I would have lost.

I know a telephone company that formerly used ten horses and buggies and as many men. For the last year five motorcycles have done more work. For the entire year, accounting for depreciation, the cost per mile for the motorcycle was 1.1 cents, as against 4.2 per mile under the old method. Unquestionably the motorcycle is the cheapest method of transportation known to the present generation.

I have often been asked the question: "Why not buy a second-hand motorcycle to start with?" I can answer that question in a very few words. Buying a second-hand motorcycle by a person not familiar with the machines is about the same proposition as a blind man buying a horse. You can never tell how fast a horse can trot by its whinny, neither can you figure what the upkeep of a motorcycle will amount to by the smell of the exhaust. My advice is to purchase a new motorcycle, but if you are determined to get a second-hand one, then at least purchase it from a reputable dealer who has built up a profitable business through square dealing and who has a reputation to maintain.



After considerable experimenting, the best mixture for cement stucco for interior use is, according to the metal lath manufacturers, one part cement, $2\frac{1}{2}$ parts clean, sharp sand and $1/10$ part lime putty.

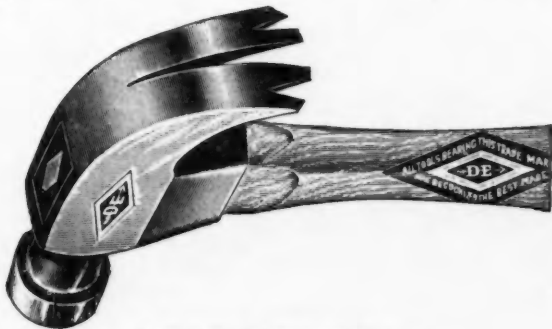
For best results in building, metal lath of No. 24 gauge weighing $3\frac{1}{4}$ pounds to the square yard should be used.



A Hammer With Triple Claws

For a hundred years or more, everybody worked along with the ordinary style hammers and seemed fully content. Their shortcomings were taken as a matter of course and nobody thought of the possibility of improving on the carpenter's hammer.

But of late, all this is changed. The carpenter's hammer is on the operating table and the doctors are making him over.



A New Idea in Claw Hammers

The newest development is the hammer with a triple claw. It has the ordinary heavy claw and two smaller ones away at the end. By means of these extra claws it is said that nails can be drawn that are impossible with the old style claw. With this tool, finishing nails can be drawn entirely out of the wood without putting a block under the head of the hammer and without bending the nail. Those who have used it, also say it will pull the nail straight and true without marring and crushing the finest wood work.

This triple hammer is made of one piece of drop forged crucible steel, carefully tempered and hardened. As it is one of a well known line of mechanics' tools, builders will certainly take an interest in it and give it a trial.



Atkins Pioneers Banqueted

The E. C. Atkins Co., of Indianapolis, Ind., manufacturers of the famous "Silver Steel" saws have in the "Atkins Pioneers" a unique fraternal organization. The present membership includes 129 men who have been employed by the E. C. Atkins Co. for periods ranging from twenty to fifty years.

The "Atkins Pioneers" gave their fourth annual banquet on Feb. 1st. The menus were cleverly arranged and pictures of Mr. John H. Wilde, Honorary President of the "Pioneers" were given as souvenirs. Mr. Wilde is the oldest Pioneer and has been retired on a pension. Dinner was followed by an excellent and entertaining program. The annual banquet is also made the occasion for the election of new officers and the reception of new members.

The advantage of such an organization as the "Pioneers" is great, fostering as it does that close family feeling among employees, which is so productive of the best cooperation. We

congratulate the E. C. Atkins Co. in having the services of such a fine lot of men as the Pioneers.



Chicago Builders Elect Officers

The Builders and Traders Exchange of Chicago held their annual election on January 20th. The voting was lively and the following officers elected by a considerable plurality—For President, John D. Corlett; First Vice-Pres., Thomas B. Roy; Second Vice-Pres., A. C. Jaeger; Treas., Joseph E. Lindquist. Out of twelve candidates for the offices of directors the following five were chosen, F. F. French, C. W. Jones, O. W. Jovien, A. Y. Reed, F. S. Shoemaker.



N. C. Builders' Exchange Elect Officers for Year

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 22.—The North Carolina Builders' Exchange, in annual session just closed, elected H. A. Pfohl of Winston-Salem, president, to succeed J. A. Jones of Charlotte; John F. Underwood, vice-president, and D. T. Tinglye of Charlotte, secretary. The association established affiliation with the national association and heard an address by former Supreme Court Justice J. S. Manning.



Driving Back the Arctic

"If the Gulf Stream could flow unbroken past the Grand Banks of Newfoundland, where it now is broken and dissipated by the icy Labrador Current, climate changes would be effected that would double the land value of the Northern Hemisphere. Arctic winters would then be unknown," writes Carrol L. Riker in the issue of *Harper's Weekly* for September 28th. The author, who is an engineer of experience, claims that this can be accomplished by the construction of a jetty across the Grand Banks off Newfoundland at a cost of \$200,000,000.



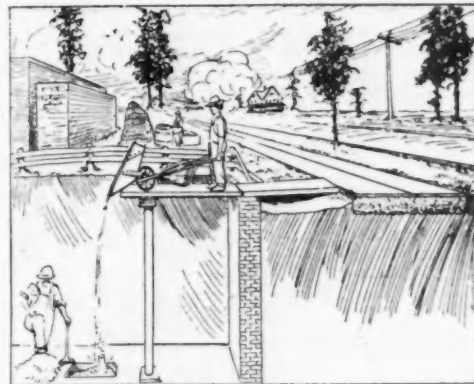
A Labor-Saving Wheelbarrow

Builders are all the time on the lookout for anything that will help them do their work easier or better. An ingeniously contrived wheelbarrow is now on the market which looks like a winner for contractor's use. For handling of sand, gravel, mortar or concrete, it will be all right.

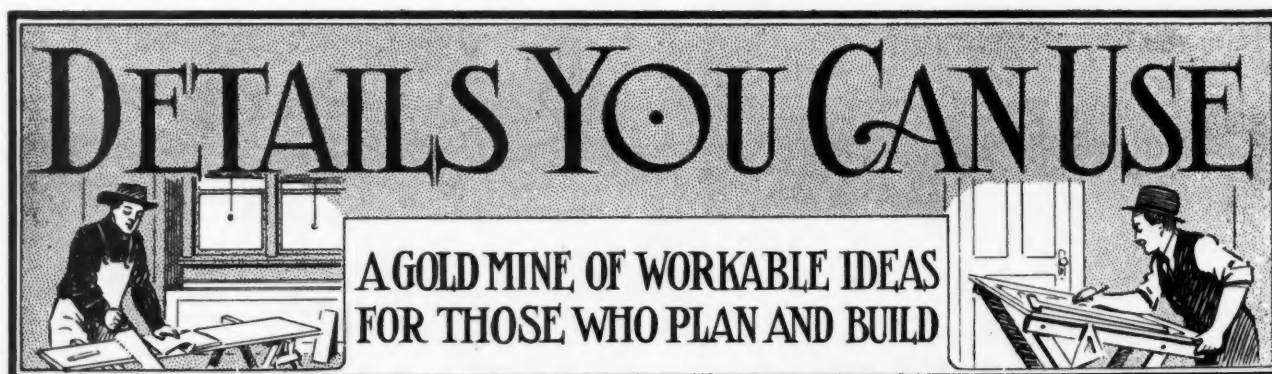
The hopper of this wheelbarrow is pivoted directly over the wheel. Pressing a lever at the handle unlocks the hopper, allowing it to tip forward dumping the load.

Suppose only a minute is saved on every dump—a minute of time and all of the labor of raising the load up and over; it doesn't take much figuring to compute a substantial saving in a day's work for a gang of men. With this barrow, the wheel is also placed farther back under the tray than ordinarily so that the bulk of the load is on the wheel bearings and less on the arms of the trundler. Another advantage is the accuracy in depositing the load just where desired.

This looks like a little piece of equipment worth looking up.



Material Dumped Easily and Just Where Wanted



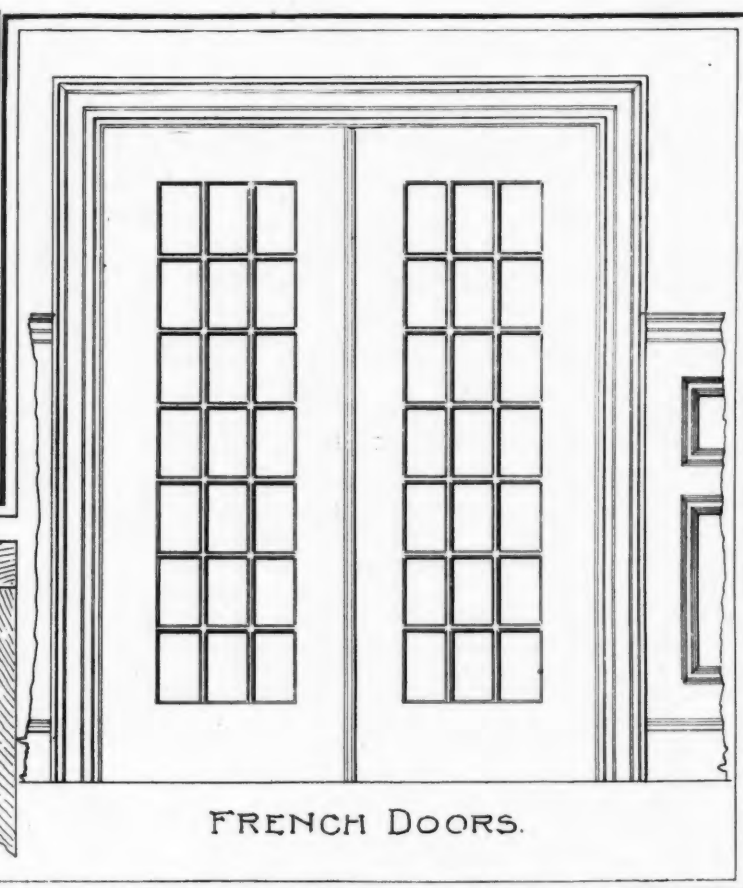
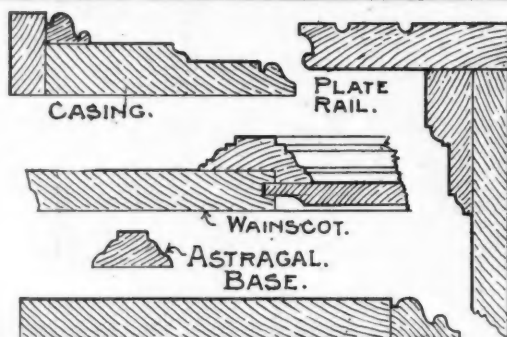
Colonial Interior; also Glazed Porch

THE whole idea these days seems to be for lots of light. Residences will have double the window area we used to consider plenty; and on the inside of the up-to-date house we find, in place of the solid sliding doors our fathers would have used, double doors that are practically all glass. Doors of some sort are needed to prevent drafts—but they must not cut off any light.

A gracefully designed pair of these glazed interior or French doors is illustrated. White enamel paneled wainscot in harmony is also shown. Details show how these features are proportioned and constructed. This is a dining room opening into living room.

The porch design presented on the opposite page is one that works in well very often. It is of colonial origin combined with something of the bungalow characteristics. This is a smallish porch—a side door sun parlor or screened summer sitting room. It is a feature that adds to the beauty of a place (so many of the built-on porches we see are anything but beautiful) and affords a cosy, enjoyable retreat at very little extra expense.

The drawings show the fine points of the design and construction so that house planners will have no trouble making practical use of the suggestions contained.



FRENCH DOORS.

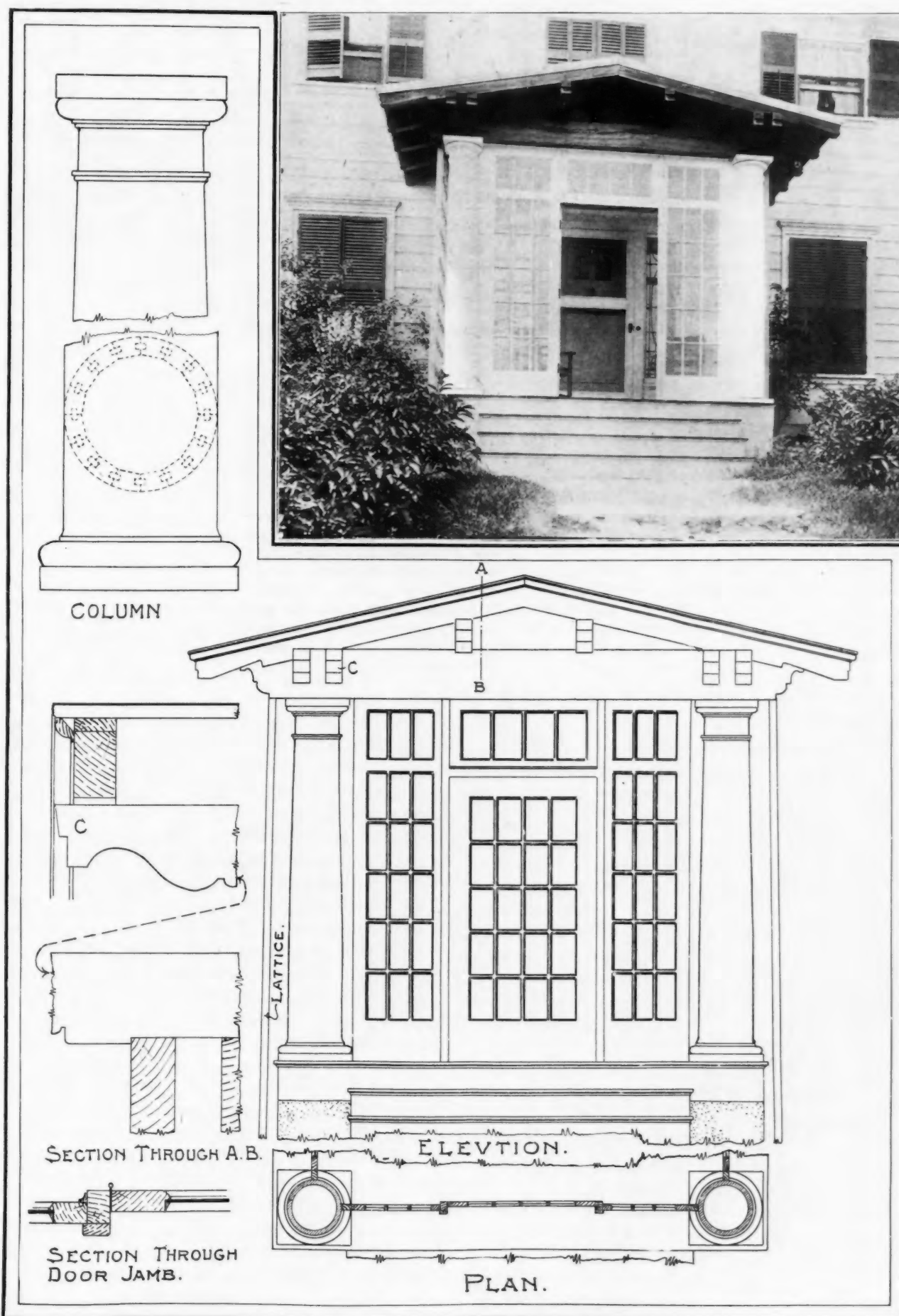


Photo and Working Drawings of Well Designed Glazed or Screened Porch



Placing the Furnace Properly

IN THIS ADVENTURE NO. 1 THE OLD BUILDER TELLS HOW HE GOT INTO THE HEATING END OF THE BUSINESS—IMPORTANCE OF COLD AIR BOX

By Cecil F. Herington

AN old builder whose houses were noted far and wide for their general comfortableness and solidity of construction was asked recently to relate some of the reasons for his reputation and success in this line. What he said was so interesting and instructive that we believe our readers will be the gainers by careful attention to his remarks. Here is what he said:

"When I first began building houses I thought I knew all about them until I came to get some questions handed out to me which had to be settled then and there and which, much to my surprise, I found out I knew really very little about.

"You know when I started in to learn the carpenter trade I thought that a man was a pretty good carpenter when he could saw boards with square edges and drive nails without leaving hammer marks on the boards. Well, after I had been learning the trade for sometime I found out that a man who could do all this wasn't necessarily such a good man after all, unless he understood his work thoroughly enough to know not only when to drive a nail but just why it was necessary to be driven. In fact I discovered that a workman, be he ever so efficient, is a pretty expensive man to hire if you also have to hire a foreman to stand over him every minute in order to properly direct his efforts.

"And so, after I had been learning the trade for sometime, I made up my mind that I wasn't going to stop at being just a carpenter—that I wasn't going to stop at being even a *good* carpenter, and I determined to learn the why and wherefore so that gradually I might progress to the extent of becoming a builder. How well I have made good on that point it remains

This is the first of a series of articles by this practical builder and heating man to appear every month in the A. C. & B. We have hunted a long time for just the right authority to take up this heating subject and handle it in a way that would be both instructive and readable. We feel very much gratified in having secured the services of Builder Herington for this work. He will relate a series of actual experiences in handling warm air furnaces, steam heat and hot water systems in connection with his regular building work. Each of these incidents teaches clearly some important principle in handling this branch of the work. Write and tell us YOUR heating experiences; and ask questions. —Editor

for my customers to say, but I soon found that the same principle holds good among the builders which I discovered among the carpenters, only perhaps in a little bigger way. A builder may understand all about carpentry and all about lumber, he may be well up on painting, quite wise about masonry and know good plaster when he sees it, yet still be a builder who, on account of ignorance on some other essential points, will be constantly running into obstacles which lead to his discomfiture if not his actual undoing. So when I got into the building line I at once struck a good many new things that would have helped me out had I known about them, and whenever it begins to turn cold it always makes me think of the way I got in over my head on the subject of heating one of the first houses that I tackled all by myself.

"This house was of the ordinary suburban type (such as you are perfectly familiar with) and I was building it for a family from some sketches they had made, and I was also trying to work in some ideas of their own. But I was badly perplexed before I started to build by having it put up to me to decide for the owner the most satisfactory kind of heat. Now of course you know that strictly by rights a builder is not required to advise an owner on such points as this, but there is a whole lot in keeping the man for whom you are working in a good humor; and oftentimes by helping him out on various points like this you get into his good graces so that he isn't inclined to be as unpleasant as he might be about some of your work which possibly may not quite meet with his approval.

"So when this question was put up to me I did a lot of scurrying around to find out something about heating and the deeper I got into it the more interest-

ing I found it. I believe now that the proper heating of a house is one of the most important items for every builder to consider. Of course on the ordinary residence there is not perhaps as much to the heating end as there is in the carpentry work, but it is an interesting subject all the same, and I was mighty well repaid for the time I spent looking it up. In fact I have been getting experience in heating ever since and I have a great many customers who are much better satisfied with my houses on account of their efficient heating apparatus than they would be had I allowed some heating contractor to go ahead and put in just as little as he possibly dared with the idea of making a bigger profit on the job."

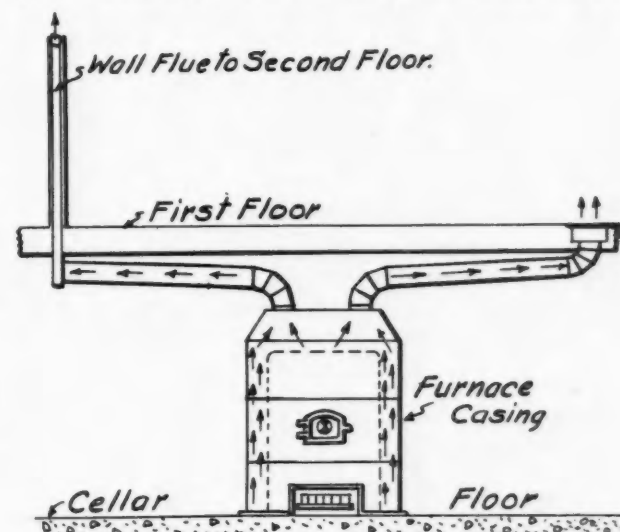
On being questioned as to how he had handled his first heating proposition the Old Builder smiled reflectively and took a few extra puffs out of his pipe before he made reply. Finally he smiled again and said, "Well, you see, in consideration of the amount of knowledge on heating that I had myself *at that time* I thought it was much safer to look around and see what most of the other people had and, going on the principal that there was safety in numbers, to advise my owner to put in the same apparatus.

"Of course, in those days, heating was done almost exclusively by warm air furnaces (except where stoves were used), and even today, when all other things are considered, furnaces are about as satisfactory in the general run and for the amount of attention they require as any kind of heating apparatus used in residences. You want to remember though about furnace heating that its action is not all positive and it is liable to be disturbed seriously in high winds and on the exposed sides of a house. I don't suppose that many builders have even studied into the furnace subject far enough to tell how big a furnace pipe should be run up to this room where we are now sitting, or if the pipe would have to be the same size had the room been located on the opposite side of the house. You see the action of the hot air furnace is all natural; that is to say you start a fire in the fire pot which heats the iron castings around it, this heat being given off to the surrounding atmosphere just the same as with an ordinary parlor stove, the only difference being that the furnace is surrounded with some sort of a metal jacket which confines the surrounding air so that it can pass only in a vertical direction, either up or down.

"Of course when air is heated it expands a little, becomes lighter and has a tendency to rise, and the air surrounding the fire pot follows this general tendency and rises up into the hot air chamber at the top of the furnace from which the pipes are taken leading to the various rooms. Now these pipes are often installed improperly by careless furnacemen who sometimes run them in a perfectly horizontal direction from the furnace to where the pipe turns up to go either to a first floor register or into one of the wall flues going

up to the second floor. These pipes should one and all have an upward pitch from the point where they leave the furnace to the end of the horizontal run. This allows the air to rise slightly as it moves along and results in helping the flow of the hot air in the pipes. When these pipes are placed horizontal or worse yet with a slight drop as they leave the furnace you are giving the hot air no chance to rise and retard the flow considerably by this reason.

"Another thing about furnaces which often results in trouble is the location of the cold air inlet and quite likely you have seen a whole lot of furnaces where the cold air box has been omitted entirely and nothing but an opening left in the bottom of the furnace casing to supply this need. Now you can easily see that when the air around the fire pot becomes heated and rises you must admit other air to take its place, for if you do not there will be produced a vacuum which would prevent the hot air from rising and the furnace from operating in a proper manner. This is provided for by the opening in the bottom of the furnace casing through which new air is allowed to enter. So if you don't put in a cold air box the entering air will be taken out of the cellar which is liable to result in damp air, possibly with more or less of an odor to it, and in many places liable to be contaminated with sewer gas and full of dust. A proper furnace installation must by all means have a cold air box, which should be run

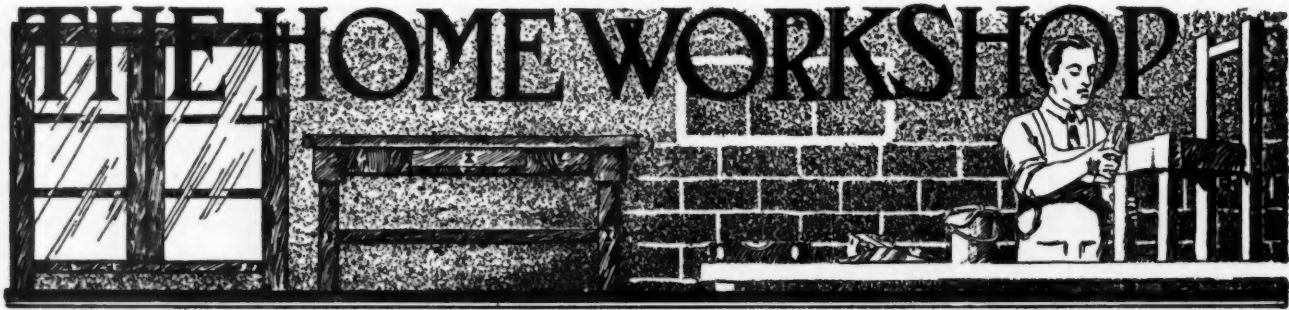


Sketch that the Old Builder made to illustrate the flow of air in a furnace and the proper way to pitch the horizontal pipes

to some cellar window or other outside connection to allow the incoming air to be taken from the outside direct, insuring a fresh and pure supply at all times.

"Why I knew a woman who bought a house at a *great bargain* and the first winter she did nothing but dust, dust, dust. Every time her husband coaled up she dusted off black dust and every time he cleaned out the ashes she dusted white dust and every time the cellar was swept the result upstairs was simply like a volcanic eruption. At last she came to me and

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How to Make a Music Stand

COMPLETE DIRECTIONS WITH WORKING DRAWINGS FOR MAKING AND FINISHING THIS ATTRACTIVE PIECE OF FURNITURE

By Ira S. Griffith

THE music stand presented this month is from the home workshop of Mr. H. Geib of Chicago.

The dimensions of the working drawing are not exactly like those of the original but the proportions will be found similar. The piece this month is made of quarter sawed white oak and is finished in a soft brown very pleasing to the eye.

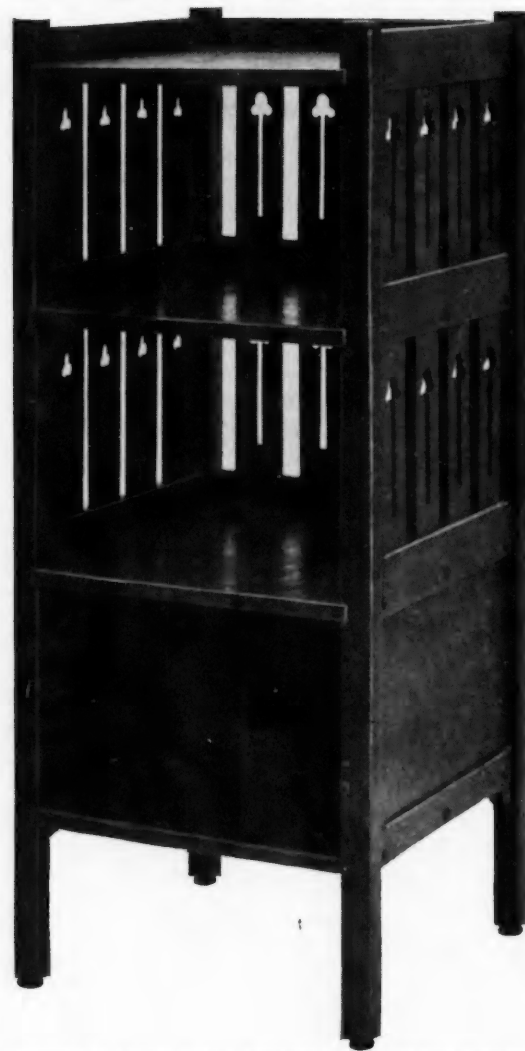
STOCK BILL FOR MUSIC STAND

Posts, 4 pieces, $1\frac{1}{2}$ by $1\frac{1}{2}$ by 48 inches, S-4-S.
Shelves, 4 pieces, $\frac{3}{4}$ by 18 by 24 inches, S-2-S.
Back rails, 4 pieces, $\frac{3}{4}$ by $3\frac{1}{4}$ by 25 inches, S-2-S.
Side rails, 8 pieces, $\frac{3}{4}$ by $3\frac{1}{4}$ by 18 inches, S-2-S.
Back panel, 1 piece, $\frac{5}{16}$ by $10\frac{1}{2}$ by 23 inches, S-2-S.
Side panels, 2 pieces, $\frac{5}{16}$ by $10\frac{1}{2}$ by 16 inches, S-2-S.
Slats, 4 pieces, $\frac{3}{16}$ by $3\frac{1}{4}$ by $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-2-S.
Slats, 8 pieces, $\frac{3}{16}$ by $2\frac{3}{4}$ by $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-2-S.
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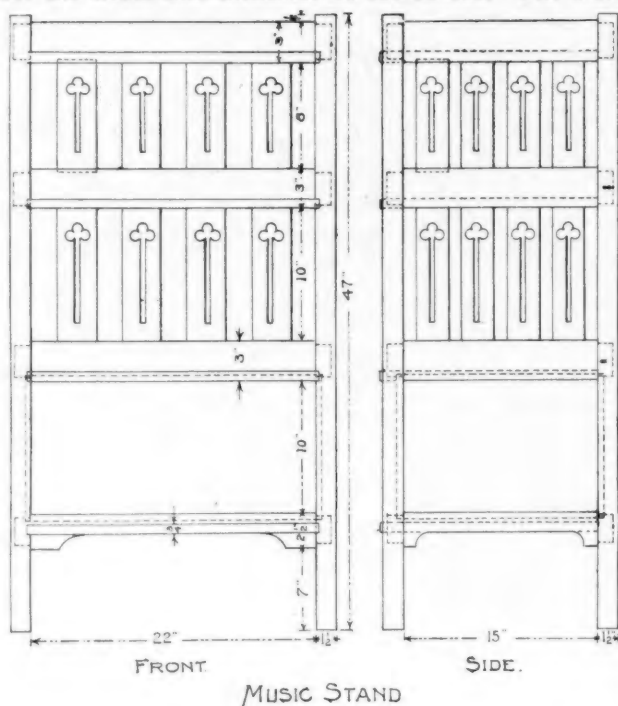
Square the ends of the four posts, at the same time securing the correct length. Chamfer these ends slightly, both top and bottom. Square the rails to width and saw them to length. Lay off the lines which shall indicate the shoulder lines of the tenons and then gauge for the width and thickness of the tenons. The slats

may next be worked to width and length. These slats are not to be tenoned, however, the whole end being housed in the rail.

Stand the posts upright in the positions they are to occupy relative to one another in the finished piece and mark roughly, as with penciled circle, the approx-



Completed Music Stand Equipped with Gliding Casters



imate locations of the mortises. After this the pieces may be laid prone upon the bench and the ends of the mortises laid out accurately with knife and try-square without danger of misplacing any of the mortises.

Gauge the sides of the mortises and then work them.

The decorative ornament in the slats is suggestive. It may be modified or left out entirely as the worker may prefer.

Plow the rails for the paneling and then put the two sides of the stand together. Use good glue and plenty of clamps and see that the rails are square with the posts and the frame out of wind.

While the glue is hardening upon these parts, the shelves may be squared to size and the back panel, rails, and slats prepared. When the glue has hardened upon the sides, lay off and work the dados in the posts and fit the shelves. Having done this, set the shelves and place the back with its panel and slats.

How to Finish

A suitable finish is obtained as follows:

Thoroughly sandpaper all the parts leaving the surfaces smooth and clean. Apply a coat of stain of a color desired for the highlights. Sandpaper this lightly with number 00 paper and then apply another coat of the same stain diluted this time by the addition of an equal amount of the solvent. This second coat is to bring the grain into still higher relief. Upon this, when it has dried thoroughly, apply a thin coat of shellac. If the stain was dark an orange shellac may be used, otherwise, use white shellac. Sandpaper this shellac lightly with the fine paper and apply a coat of filler colored somewhat darker than the stain. If no dark filler can be purchased readily, a natural color of filler may be used and this darkened by the addition of coloring materials ground in oil. See that the filler is thoroughly cleared from the highlights and is not allowed to remain in the corners. A good piece of woodwork is easily spoiled by not properly cleaning off the filler before it hardens. Upon the filler, after it has hardened apply a coat of shellac. Upon the shellac apply several coats of some good rubbing varnish. Rub these first coats with hair cloth or curled hair and the last with powdered pumice stone and raw or crude oil. If a fine finish such as that given pianos is desired, it may be obtained by rubbing the last coat with pulverized pumice stone and water, and then with pulverized rotten stone and water instead of using the oil as specified just above. A still higher finish is obtained by further rubbing with a little pulverized rotten stone upon a flannel cloth upon which has been placed sweet oil and alcohol in equal amounts.



Adventures in Heating

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asked me to tell her what was the matter. So I went over, took one look, and—no cold air box.

"Another thing that should be taken into consideration is where you place your furnace in the cellar. This thing is of course governed somewhat by the arrangement of the house and the location of the chimney but as far as possible you should try and put

your furnace about at a central position between all of the points where your pipes turn up except that you should set it a little closer to the side from which the prevailing winds come in order to favor the registers on this side of the building.

"When you move your furnace towards the windy side of the house you lengthen out the horizontal runs in the cellar which go toward the sheltered side and shorten up the ones running to the exposed side; and the shorter your horizontal runs are the faster your air will go through the pipe and the greater will be the heating effect. This is owing to the fact that the air rubbing against the pipe produces a retarding effect (which is commonly called pipe friction), which results in slowing down the air so that in a shorter pipe, where less of this effect is experienced, the air will move more rapidly and you will get more heat in a room at the end of such a pipe than you will in one located at the end of a longer horizontal pipe of the same size.

"It took a long time for me to get furnace heating down to where I could reasonably depend on it. Next month I will tell you about the most successful heating plant I ever put in and just how I figured it out."



To Build Model Concrete Road

At the close of the recent Springfield Good Roads Convention, Mayor Thos. F. Doyle of La Salle, headed a delegation from that city, in conference with the Illinois State Highway Commissioners, on the question of building a permanent roadway from the Rock Island Depot at La Salle to a point one mile south.

Plans and estimates for the work were prepared by the State Highway Engineer and were laid before the La Salle Board of Highway Commissioners on Monday of last week, meanwhile, interest in the project was aroused, among the producers of roadway material in the state.

F. W. Renwick, President, Joliet Sand & Gravel Co., Chicago, considered the enterprise a laudable one and consented to furnish free, the gravel consisting of approximately 2800 tons or 95 carloads of this material. The Marquette Cement Mfg. Co. and the Chicago Portland Cement Co., Chicago, demonstrated similar interest and will jointly furnish without cost, the cement required amounting to 26 carloads. The American Sand & Gravel Co., also of Chicago, stands sponsor for 54 carloads of sand which will be shipped as required, from sand pits at Buda and Lincoln.

At a meeting of the La Salle Board of Highway Commissioners, held at La Salle on Wednesday, February 5th, letters were read from the donors and their respective offers formally accepted, the Board appropriating the sum of Five Thousand Dollars to defray the cost of labor and fuel, incidental to the work.

The Illinois Highway Commission at Springfield were then petitioned to supervise the building of the road and in granting this request, the State Highway Engineer, named May 1st as the date on which the work will proceed.

The specifications of the State Highway Engineer, call for a roadway nine-tenths of a mile long, twenty feet wide, with an average thickness of seven inches. It will replace the old road at a point where it is subjected to heavy traffic, La Salle being the most convenient market for the prosperous farming community, immediately south of the city and which must necessarily travel this highway.

class with jointer on one side. It is a very slick machine, the jointer is hard to beat on stuff not over ten feet in length. If longer it takes two men. My saw is not like the one shown on plan, but if I should buy a separate jointer, that would be a suitable saw. My shop is like plan with the exception of wagon shed. If I should build another shop for myself, I'd build shed up full height like rest of shop and gain storage room above. I'd make walls twelve feet high on entire building, and I'd drop ceiling joists below plate so as to have nine feet in the clear to floor, this only in the "shed end" extending back eighteen feet; and on these joists I'd lay a tight floor. In the gable end over shed I'd have a good sized door through which stuff could be taken in, and a small window on each side of door to let in light.

I would also have two small windows in opposite gable, one on each side of chimney, and in this end of shop I would place the crossies on top of plate, without any floor on them. Here I would build the moulding rack in the middle, and have a good place to put away all kinds of strips and rippings. Lumber could be piled on both sides of moulding rack. In this way lumber would be taken through gable door in shed end, and from the tight floor there, could be easily piled away in its proper place in other gable end of shop. By having cross ties on top of plate, in this end, one can build cupboards and other high things here, under the high ceiling. I have arranged the windows so that any ordinary length stuff can be worked, either way, both on saw and jointer. I have placed line shaft over head where it is out of the way. The two small counter shafts on the floor do not take up much room. The belts can be shifted from tight to loose pulley when it is desired to stop either machine. I have marked sizes and speeds of pulleys.

Now this is my idea of a good *small* shop, if one can afford same two feet wider, it will be still more serviceable.

The floored part overhead can be used for storing many different things—window frames, windows, doors, mill work and little of everything—ropes, jack screws, rollers, etc.

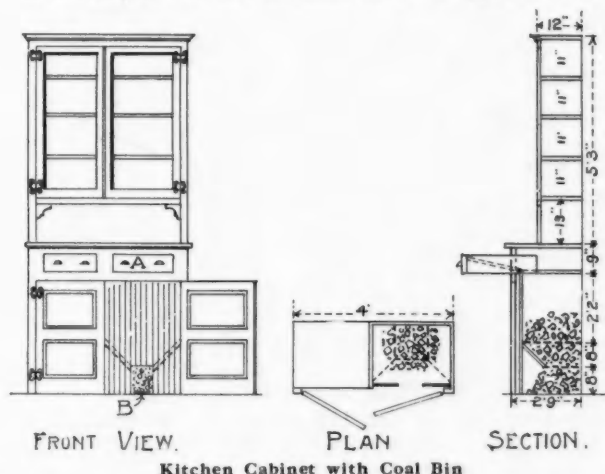
OLIVER B. EXTROM,
Contractor and Builder.

A Convenient Coal Bin

To the Editor:

Emerson, N. J.

Enclosed you will find a sketch of what appears to be a



kitchen cupboard but one-half of the lower part is used for a coal bin. It holds 15 hods of coal and is filled from the drawer "A" which has a slanting bottom and the coal is taken out from the hole at "B." This is a very clean arrangement and a space saver, especially in a kitchen where the room is limited.

NATALE LUCIA.

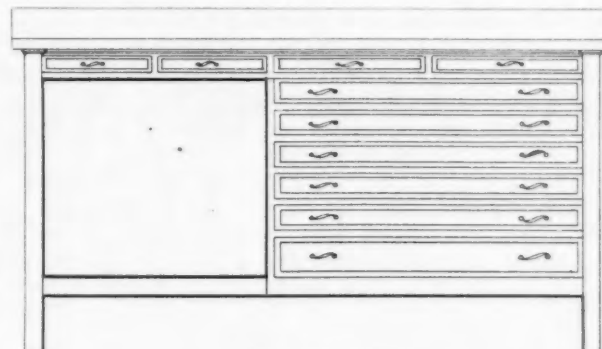
Drawing and Filing Cabinet

To the Editor:

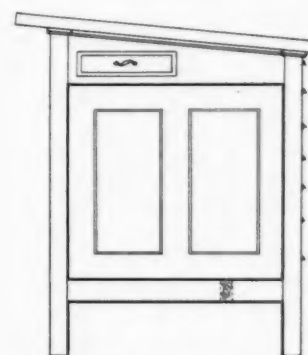
Dayton, Ohio.

For the benefit of the many readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, I am sending my plan for a practical drawing table and filing cabinet.

Particular attention is called to the construction of this table. The size of the drawing board is 36 inches by 72



FRONT ELEVATION



END ELEVATION

Drawing Table and Filing Cabinet

inches by 1½ inches. It is extra heavy and is not attached permanently to the table. When it is desired to remove the table from one room to another, it can be very conveniently done by removing the board first and then the cabinet, which is only 30 by 68 inches and will pass through any ordinary door.

Another good feature of this table is that the draftsman has a place to put his feet, also a good foot rest.

The many large and small drawers in the cabinet can be used to suit one's convenience.

BYRON H. THOMAS.

Uncle Dan Comes to Life

Ithica, New York.

Mr. Alfred W. Woods, Associate Editor:

This being my 53rd birthday and also the birthday of Thomas A. Edison, together with the fact that Mr. Edison is a great inventor, and other reasons prompts me to endeavor to kindle a confidential smile on your countenance.

A few months ago, you requested me not to conscript you and your steel square into service again and thus far I have respected the request, although the rays of humor gleaming through your articles in the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER have tempted me to put in my penny at times. I have lots of confidence in a man who has good nature and sense enough to enjoy a good joke even if he pays for it himself.

In your editorial on the "Steel Square" in the current issue of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER you made Uncle Dan Jones do various stunts in the role of a laugh provoker, Uncle Dan did nobly, as I can testify, but he did

not like to be laughed at so now he retaliates by preferring charges against you of such a nature that if you cannot make it clear that your acts were not premeditated or wilfully calculated to deceive, I fear you will have to be court-martialled.

He charged in substance, that in the afore mentioned article you gave a receipt for intersecting a steep roof with a low roof and that by the use of said receipt he cut the rafter about $2\frac{1}{16}$ inch too short. Then he wilted. Freshening up, he said it was that last sentence in that article (February AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER) which caused his downfall, but he is willing to settle on the terms that you furnish a good method of performing aforesaid intersection. The following is a suggestion which may be relevant:

The difference in the pitches, in this instance is $10/12$ minus $4/12$ equals $6/12$, that is, the rate of divergence or convergence of the rafter lines. Now, by referring to your diagram, you will see that the plate which supports the high pitch is two feet above the one that supports the low pitch, also that the perpendicular distance to the plate of the high pitch from the rafter above is 40 inches minus 24 inches equals 16 inches; and as the rate of convergence is 6 inches to the foot, we will have to extend the run 16 inches times 2 equals 32 inches or 2 feet 8 inches, instead of 2 feet 6 inches to affect the point of intersection. This will make it right with "Uncle Dan."

15 and $\frac{3}{4}$ cut the lap joint and 9 and 23 cut the joint at intersection of the roofs.

Sometimes mistakes are profitable, especially so if some good points are brought in consequence of them.

Allow me to express my appreciation of your Steel Square articles and other instruction which you have contributed to the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER. Can you tell me where I can procure a copy of the "Universal Moulding Book"?

Hoping I have not caused you any pain, I am,

Your respectfully,

CHARLES GRAY.

Answer: Referring to the story of Uncle Dan, we left him at the river's brink and we thought he had passed over, but it appears we were mistaken as he seems to have turned up in New York. He has given us a knowing wink and a hunch that he is still on the job, which caused us to set up and take some notice.

In looking up the question, we find that it is true, we made a miscalculation in the length of the shed rafter, and while we regret the error, we are consoling ourselves that we have good company in the person of Uncle Dan. By strange coincidence he gives the correct length, but in his analysis he is off. He is all right up to the point where he multiplies 16 by 2. Now, what does that 2 have to do with it? What he should have done when he found the difference in the two pitches per foot run to be 6 inches, was to divide 16 by 6, which would be $2\frac{2}{3}$ or 2 feet 6 inches, which in this case gives the same result; but suppose the main rafter has a rise of some other pitch, say 12 and 12; then the difference would be 8 and $16 \div 8 = 2$; that is the necessary extension of the run, which would be two feet; but Dan's way would still make this measurement 2 feet 8 inches.

Then again, Dan. Did you notice that the measurement line on the shed rafter is given at the center of its side, while on that of the main rafter, the top edge is made the working line. See? This would necessarily make the net length of the shed rafter shorter than we both estimated, because the 16 inches represents the rise of the shed roof above the main plate, while the working line of the main rafter is $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches on a plumb line above the corner of the plate, provided the rafter is four inches wide and the seat cut extends to a center line, thus causing a reduction of $5\frac{3}{8}$ inches to lay on top of the main rafter. So after

all, we were nearer right than you were. Ha. Ha!! Those who laugh last laugh best.

Then again, Dan. How do you know that 9 and 23 would give the cut of the shed rafter to fit on to the top of the main rafter without first making a diagram to try out on and catch any old figures without fractions as in this case? In other words, what is your calculation basis, so that you can work it on any other pitch without first making a diagram?

We agree with you when you say "Sometimes mistakes are profitable" and I think we both got our profit and loss thrown in, in this deal. Shake.

As to where to get a copy of the Universal Moulding Book, Shattuck and McKay Co., of Chicago, are the printers from whom I presume you can get a copy; but if you will ask most any of the large planing mill men, they will give you a copy, provided you do not give them too much of a wink and a hunch. That is the way we get ours.

A. W. Woods.



An Interesting Letter

To the Editor:

Providence, R. I.

I notice in a recent issue of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER Mr. Jas. A. Desell desires some information on making screens. Sometime ago, when instructor of cabinet making in a Massachusetts reform school, I had some 400 window screens and a number of screen doors to make. I had twelve inexperienced boys to do the work and we made them without the aid of a mortiser or tenoner.

First I had the boys rip up a lot of stock $\frac{1}{8}$ inch wider than it was to finish. I then gave a boy the finished lengths to square off to a stop; another boy took these pieces to the jointer and planed $1/16$ inch off one edge, the stiles and rails being kept separate.

A $5/16$ -inch Huther grooving saw was put on the arbor

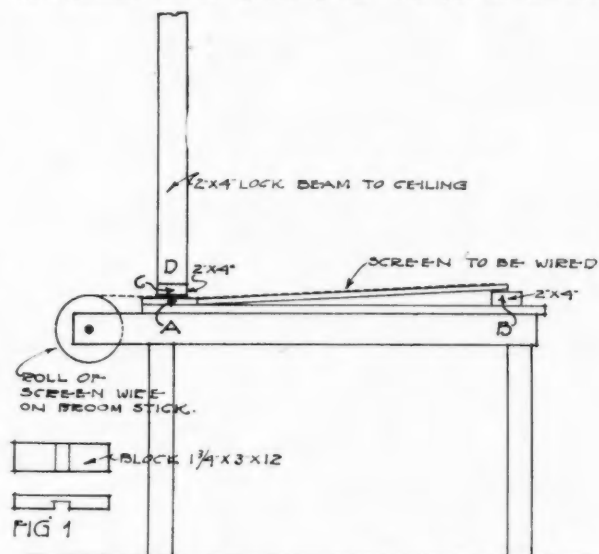


FIG. 2. ROUGH TABLE WITH PROJECTING SIDES FOR WIRING SCREENS

of the saw table and a board fastened to the ripping fence.

The board was to keep the cutters from striking the iron fence while making the tenons which I will describe later. I made a block, Fig. 1, about $1\frac{3}{4}$ by 3 by 12 inches with a groove cut in one side the size of the screen stock. This was put grooved side to the ripping fence and a spring fastened to the table to keep it in place, then a boy took the rails and grooved the ends the depth of the finished stock.

To make the tenons two of the $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch inside cutters from a Huther grooving saw were put on the arbor with a wood

spacing collar between them to give the thickness of the tenon. A wood throat piece was put in the table and the arbor run up leaving a piece between the cutters to keep the tenons from dropping down. Another block, Fig. 1, was made the same as before and the tenons cut the same as the grooves.

The block was never pulled away from the spring and was principally to keep the boy from cutting his fingers, but also served to keep the ends of the stock from splitting while making the tenons.

After they were machined they were glued together, jointed side in, squared with a stick and while in the clamp a $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch screw put in each joint and the clamps removed.

Some of them had a $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch dowel put in the joint but the screw was quicker and just as good.

The screens were then taken to the paint shop to be primed. While they were there we made a lot of half round in this way. After putting a pair of cutters on the jointer and a wood face on the fence two boys took a number of $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch W. W. boards and with a spring to keep them against the fence, pushed them by the jointer both edges leaving a nosing on them. While they were doing this two more boys were ripping the nosing off on the saw table. They kept this up until there was nothing left of the boards and we had a lot of nice half round.

Of course with a moulder one could use up a lot of waste strips, but we had neither the moulder or the strips. We then made four cheap tables, Fig. 2, with the side rails running by on one end, bored a hole in them and put a broom stick through to hold a roll of wire. A board, A, was nailed on the same end of the table top and the screw frame placed on the table with one end against this board A. The wire was then pulled up over the frame and tacked across the farther end. Now for stretching the wire.

The tacked end of the frame was raised up and a piece of 2 by 4, B, placed under it, while a piece of 2 by 4, C, the length of the width of the table and faced on one side, was put across the wire over board A. Another piece, D, was put from that to a beam overhead and driven tight. The end of the frame was then let down and the wire tacked all around and cut off, leaving it nice and tight. The half round was mitered and nailed on later and the edges cut off with a knife. The boys got so interested in putting on the wire that they got to racing, one boy holding the record of 45 seconds from the time the frame was put on the table until he had the wire cut off. Some of these were sliding screens and some hinging. For the sliding ones a $\frac{5}{16}$ -inch groove $\frac{1}{4}$ inch deep was put in one stile and $\frac{9}{16}$ inch deep in the other for the spring.

We also made screens that were rabbited for a flush moulding which took a little longer and required an inside cutter from a 1 inch smaller diameter Huther groover to make one shoulder on the tenon $\frac{1}{2}$ inch longer than the other. The screen doors were doweled together on the boring machine and $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch dowels used. An astragal moulding was put on these in place of the half round.

In writing this I do not intend it as instruction to a novice but thought the experience of the boys might be of some interest to the readers. I am much interested in the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER and believe it to be the best building paper published.

LESLIE K. CLARK,

Instructor of Cabinet Making,
R. I. Institute for the Deaf.



How to Make Floor Leak Proof

To the Editor:

Waldren, Mich.

I am building a house with a double deck porch. How can I make the upper floor so it will not leak and spoil the ceiling?

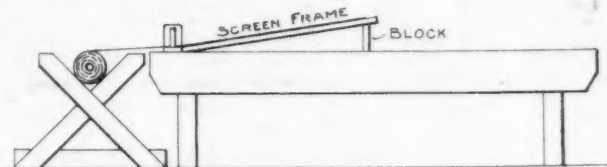
C. B. Jay.

A Device for Stretching Screen Wire

To the Editor:

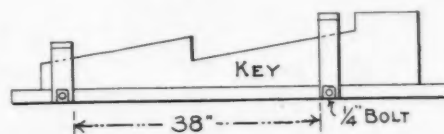
Booth, Texas.

I am enclosing a rough sketch of my device for stretching screen wire. I do not think it needs much explanation as the pencil sketches show how it is made and any carpenter can make one. I use $1\frac{1}{2}$ by 6 inch stuff for the bed plate,



Side Elevation of Screening Bench

key and key blocks. First, get out all of the pieces as shown, then set key on the bed plate and place the key blocks over the key into the slots cut into the bed plate and fasten with $\frac{1}{4}$ by 6 inch bolt and it is ready to screw down to the bench, as shown. I have a rack to hold the roll of wire as shown, and I am now ready to proceed. I pass the end of the wire under the key to the upper end of the frame and tack the wire in place, then raise the upper end by placing a 6 inch block under same. Now roll back on the screen to get the slack out of the wire and then with a hammer,



BED PLATE.



KEY BLOCK.

Device for Locking the Wire Tight

drive the key up tight to hold the wire and remove the block under the upper end and press the frame flat on the bench and you will be surprised to see how nice it is stretched ready to finish tacking and moulding. When through, the bed plate is easily removed, unscrewing same when it can be set aside ready for the next job.

M. MEEHAN.



Shingling Questions

To the Editor:

Battle Mountain, Nev.

Being a pre-amateur and having a small building to shingle I should be glad of a little advice.

1. Should all nail heads be covered by succeeding shingles? If so, where would you place the nails in 14-inch shingles, laying $4\frac{1}{2}$ -inch to the weather? It would seem, in this case, necessary to nail either very close to the edge or less than 5 inches from the top. 2. How do you make a strong and at the same time, water-tight job when crossing a change in pitch, as for instance, going from a quarter pitch verandah to a half pitch roof?

W. F. COLLINS.



How Many Gallons of Water?

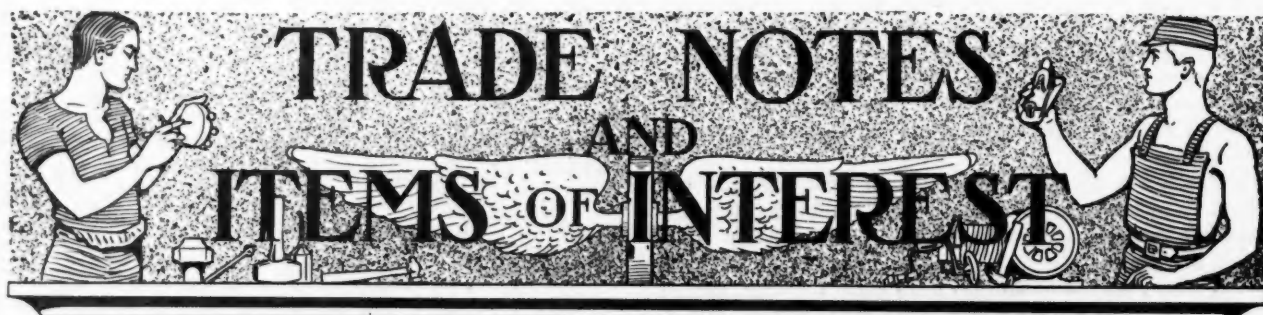
To the Editor:

Havelock, Nebr.

I am submitting a problem that I would like to see some of the good brother solve for publication in the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER.

Here it is,—A horizontal tank 18 feet in length and 6 feet in diameter is filled with water 30 inches deep and I want to know how many gallons of water is in the tank. I would like to see this worked out in full.

F. C. MCCOLLAN.



Through this department the editors aim to keep builders, contractors, carpenters and architects in touch with what their friends, the manufacturers, are doing for them in new or improved tools and machinery, methods and materials—pertaining to building. Items for these columns must have real news value; they are offered here as interesting information for our readers; they are not advertising. No matter will be printed here simply because some advertiser wishes it. Likewise, no matter will be excluded simply because the article described is not advertised in this magazine. Suggestions for the betterment of this department are requested of our readers.

Brick House Sent By Mail UNCLE SAM'S PARCEL POST GETS ITS HEAVIEST PARCEL

The management of the Chicago Clay Show is pulling off a novel stunt this year. Some 25000 brick manufacturers are each sending by Parcel Post a brick of local manufacture to be used in building a brick house at the Coliseum, Chicago, during the Clay Products Exposition, February 26th to March 8th. This house will be given away and re-erected after the exposition.

The idea was originated to test the merits of the Parcel Post system and it is certainly a novel one. A record will be kept of each brick from the time the brick is mailed until it is delivered in Chicago in order to see how speedily Uncle Sam can deliver a brick house by mail.

It is probable that Uncle Sam's mail carriers in Chicago will not be overly enthusiastic for this method of delivery of a brick house. Other mail carriers throughout the country will watch the experiment with interest and fear and trembling. While the brick fireproof home is becoming more and more popular because of its permanency, economy and superiority, it is not probable that they will be delivered by mail to any alarming extent.



The Brick Makers Are Sending to Chicago Bricks for a House by Parcel Post

A Dumb Waiter that Speaks for Itself

Dumbwaiters as a step-saving convenience have been in use for untold years in houses, stores, bakeries—in fact, in every building where there is the necessity of carrying things up or down stairs.

The great fault with the majority has been that they either bind in the shaft, rattle like the proverbial dish pan or wear out ropes as fast as they can be strung. A machine perfectly geared with wheels of the right diameter and constructed to



Number Two Pulley
Dumbwaiter



Number Seven Hand
Power Elevator

eliminate the undesirable features mentioned has been for some time past manufactured by the Chelsea Elevator Co., 330 West 26th St., New York City. Illustrations of the dumbwaiter and hand power elevator are shown. It will be in line for our progressive contractors and builders to get the instructive literature these people have issued describing their machines.



A New Book on Building

COPY FREE AT YOUR DEALERS

At a very great expense, the General Roofing Mfg. Company have prepared a book that will be of great help to those who are thinking of building any kind of building, from a chicken house to a skyscraper.

Many books on building are filled with such technical instructions and intricate working drawings that to understand them one has to take a course in building. But the book, "Modern Building Ideas and Plans," was prepared with the idea of giving suggestions and illustrating the newest and best ideas and plans to those who are considering building. The value of this book is in the suggestions which it gives for the selecting of the land for building, how to utilize every bit of the land, giving you an idea of the kind of house you want and enabling you to give definite instructions to your architect. In the bustle of building many things will be overlooked, and you are not apt to think of all the pitfalls to be avoided. This book tells you in simple terms and illustrations the many conveniences your building

can have without extra expense, and suggests many economies which may save you money.

The General Roofing Mfg. Company have spared no expense in making this book of supreme value to the builder, and the attractive illustrations found therein liven up the pages. In fact, the whole book is written in an interesting manner by a former architect. The illustrations and plans cover modern bungalows, city residences, apartments, warehouses, factories, garages, model farm houses, barns, poultry houses, silos, etc., and the description for each is very complete.

"We want a book that will be of real help to anyone who wants to build any kind of a building—one that will save the builder money." were the condensed instructions given for the preparation of the book by the General Roofing Mfg. Company.

This book is distributed through the many hardware, lumber and material dealers, free. If you write direct to the General Roofing Mfg. Company, East St. Louis, Ill., Marseilles, Ill., or York, Pa., it will be necessary to enclose 25c to help cover cost and mailing expense.

We recommend that you go to your local lumber, hardware or building material dealer who will gladly get you a copy of this book without cost to you—neither do you obligate yourself to buy anything of the dealer.



Steel Forms Prove Money Makers

Concrete in every form is making great forward strides. Poured concrete seems to be the easiest way of obtaining all the desired advantages of the material and, if the form problem can be solved, it is least expensive. The material itself is not expensive but when the cost of manufacture and erection, as in the case of blocks or bricks, is added it amounts to a considerable item.

When poured concrete is used forms are necessary and all builders know the nuisance of wood forms. Read & Morrill have placed on the market what they call the "Morrill System of Sectional Steel Moulds or Forms," which can be used



Morrill Steel Forms Used on the "Concrete City" at Nanticoke, Pa., for the D. L. & W. R. R. Co.

over and over again; when used these are a decided advantage in giving a smooth, compact re-inforced wall. These forms have proved practically water-tight, permitting a good wet mix thereby leaving a nice straight finished surface. The inexpensive and easy manipulation of these forms and the favorable results from using poured concrete ought to appeal to our readers.



Building Being Erected by the One-Day Process

D. L. & W. Railroad used these forms to build what they call their "Concrete City" at Nanticoke, Pa., and expressed great satisfaction with them. Illustration 1 shows a group of buildings in the "Concrete City." In figure two is shown a building being erected by the one-day process. Many large construction and development companies are finding the "Morrill" forms indispensable in eliminating the factors of time and expense.

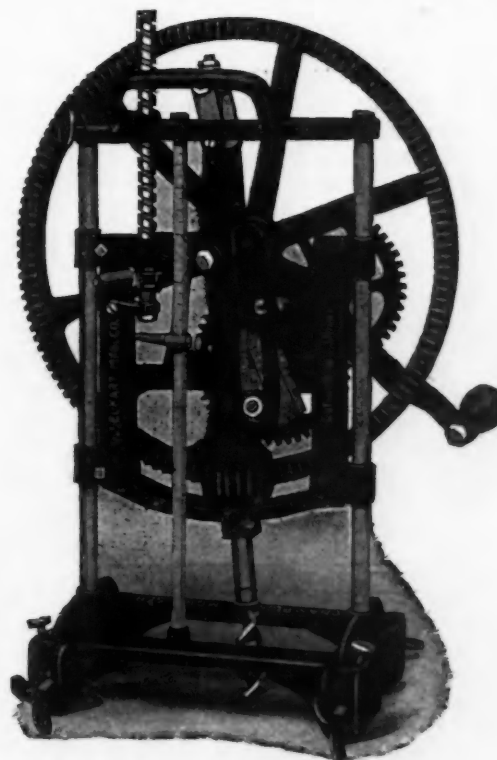
We regret that space does not allow us to give a complete description of the forms as we know such information would be most acceptable to contractors and builders. However, we suggest that you get literature on the subject from Read and Morrill, Inc., 179 Joralemon St., Brooklyn, N. Y., and see if it won't revert to your advantage to buy these forms and go in for poured concrete building.



The Champion Mortiser

Everything possible is being done to aid the carpenter in executing his work with ease and dispatch. The cutting of mortises which looks like a small thing is really a difficult and painstaking job when done with brace, bit and chisel. And then the results are not always satisfactory.

A machine that will not only do the work well but per-



New Model Lock Mortiser

fectly ought to form a part of the busy man's equipment. The "Champion" mortise which we illustrate has been recommended as one which meets every demand for mortising. The special advantage is that it can be accurately gauged as to desired depth and width of slot, cutting clean through hard, soft or knotty wood, through dowel pins or panel ends, with or against the grain with equal facility. When the desired depth is reached the machine stops automatically. No other tool is necessary where the "Champion" is used. The ball bearing is in the end of the spindle relieving all friction. Automatic feed is operated with a cam and when the bit is at the top of the slot it will feed one-sixteenth of an inch and the same when at the bottom continuing until four and one-half inches for full depth.

The manufacturers—J. Leukart Mfg. Co., Columbus, Ohio, claim this machine will last a life time and all carpenters would be well repaid to write these people for more data on this machine.

After Plaster What?

The rapidly increasing cost of building material has led the attention of manufacturers into channels leading toward the production of substitutes which will not only take the place of the original but be improvements on them. Everything tending toward easier work, less expense, permanency and general good results has been carefully considered.

Despite the fact that many people claim "Our buildings are not as substantial as they used to be," we believe the builders are putting as good work and material into their buildings as they ever did. It's true that heavy framework for small buildings is no longer used and to the unanalytical mind this may look like an argument in favor of their claim that we put up flimsy structures.

They probably lose sight of the fact that our forefathers built when timber grew in abundance and could be had almost for the asking. Their facilities for whipping the material into proper shape were limited and in the light of present day development seem crude. Had they been able by the means of proper tools to saw out beams or studding or siding as we now do, they undoubtedly would have done it. The log house is no argument in favor of substantial construction. The builders were simply following the line of least resistance—taking the easiest way to make a shelter.

It is the spirit of evolution constantly working in the minds of men that has brought to their present state of perfection all the wonderful inventions that belong to this day and age. We are not only becoming more proficient mechanically but also more artistic.

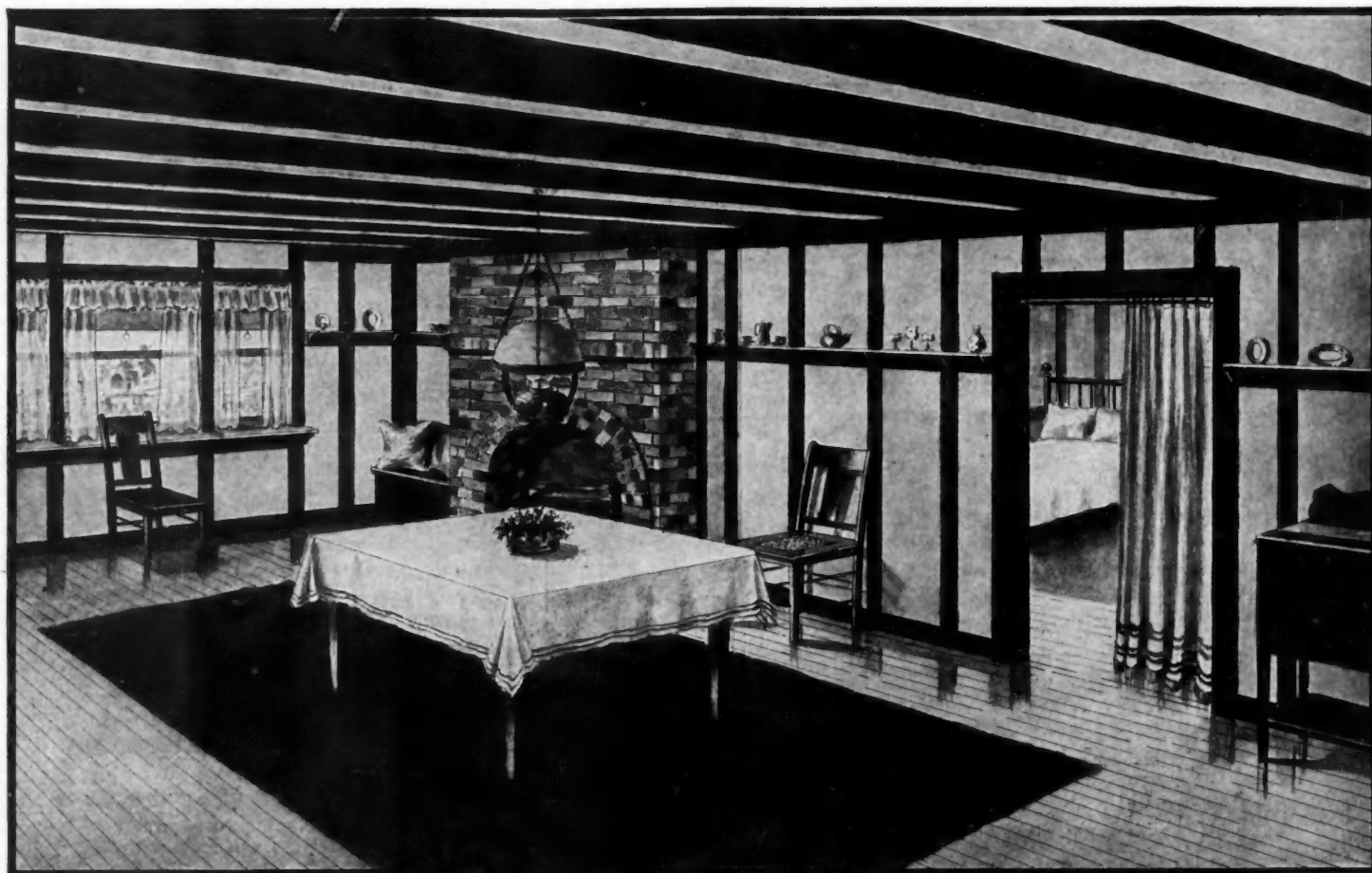
The cave man had his cave; kings in olden days had rude fortresses of earth or stone; but there are no cave men these days and the kings have their magnificent castles and

the general run of humanity demands that everything about them be more beautiful and artistic.

From bare walls to animal skins hung on them was a big stride but infinitely greater was the change from animal skins to plaster, paint and wall paper. And yet greater is the change to a wall covering that does away with both lath and plaster.

In producing Wodwalboard the McHenry Millhouse Mfg. Co., of South Bend, Ind., seem to have made a great forward stride. This Wodwalboard is nothing more than wood reduced to a fibrous form which under immense pressure is made into sheets of various sizes uniformly thick. These people claim that this material will revolutionize interior finishing. Many excellent properties are attributed to it. The most important is the fact that it replaces lath and plaster and gives a uniformly smooth surface. Undoubtedly Wodwalboard is easy to apply coming as it does in sheets of all sizes and requiring no more work than the nailing of the sheets to the studding. 'Tis said that this board makes the house warmer in winter and cooler in summer and that age has no deteriorating effect as it will neither warp, chip nor crack. It can be applied at any season of the year without the delays consequent on waiting for the walls to dry, and once in place can be decorated in any manner as readily as plaster. The illustration shows a dining room finished in this material.

The catalogs of the McHenry Millhouse Mfg. Co., which we have received with great interest, depicts the use of their product in various buildings. It seems to be an ideal and economical material for transforming a bare attic into a pleasant room. Other advantages noted are that Wodwalboard can be used to finish summer cottages or bungalows



Dining Room Beautifully Finished with "Wodwalboard." This is Especially Adapted for Cottages, Bungalows, Etc.

and to make partitions wherever desired. The comparison of the cost of this material as against that of lath and plaster is interesting.

Another forward movement of this company has been in the manufacture of their Veribest Asphalt Shingles which unlike the pine shingle will not split, decay or warp. These shingles are specially prepared to resist the fury of the elements being fire-resisting and fadeless. They can be applied to any roof.

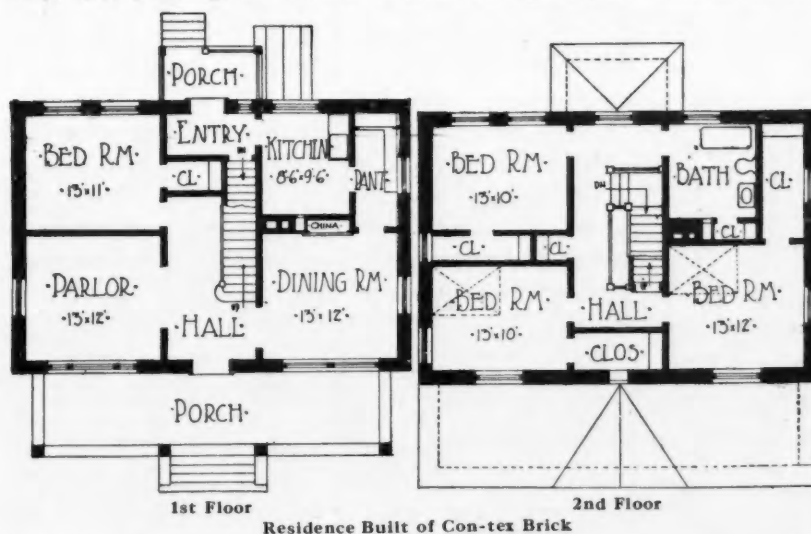
To those of our readers desiring enlightenment on these modern methods of treating roofs and walls we suggest writing to the McHenry Millhouse Mfg. Co., South Bend, Ind., for information which they will gladly send without charge.



Striking Brick Work

Show me a man's house and I will tell you his standing in the community in which he lives.

The best homes, especially in towns of reasonable size, are invariably constructed of brick. There is no building material known to the trade that has ever or ever will take the place of brick. Their fireproof qualities and their permanency make them an ideal material to use whether it is in the modest home, the more pretentious home, the public building, or the factory. Brick have been used for the past 4,000 years; and, while the finished product is to-day far superior to what it has ever been before, bricks that were made 3,000 years ago are still to be found in a good state



of preservation. The past decade has brought possibly more changes in the construction and the finish of brick than any other period in the history of brick.

Those of our readers who were fortunate enough to visit the Clay Products Exhibition in Chicago, this year—February 26 to March 8, were more than interested in our booth. This booth was erected by the Continental Brick Company of Aledo, Ill., their brick being used entirely in this exhibit. The bricks used in this Exhibit were the Continental and the Con-tex. This Company have a large assortment of colors in these two kinds of brick, ranging down through the Blacks, Blues, Greens, Purples, Red Centers, and light and dark reds.

It is a common impression that the cost of a brick house is almost prohibitive for the man who has not a great deal of money to spend on his home. This is absolutely an erroneous impression. A veneered brick house can be built at an average cost of 5 per cent over good wood construction. An 8 inch wall can be built at about 10 per cent over wooden construction, and a 12 inch wall costs not more than 12



Latest Style Durable Residence, Built of Con-tex Brick

per cent higher. Taking into consideration the future up-keep of a house, lowered insurance rates, etc., it can be easily figured that a brick house costs no more than one of a good wooden construction.

Both the Continental and the Con-tex brick are thoroughly vitrified. This means that the bricks are absolutely non-absorbent. It means further that no efflorescence will ever occur; it means house satisfaction. It is to the interest of every reader of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER to look thoroughly into the brick proposition before advising wooden construction.

The house illustrated here, built with Con-tex brick, with red centers shade Number 820, is all that a house should be. It combines great beauty with enduring quality. It is a house that the owner would be proud to claim and one that will give the builder a permanent advertisement for high-class work.

If you want to know more about the qualities of Continental and Con-tex brick, write Mr. J. L. Buckley, General Manager of the Continental Brick Company, of Aledo, Ill., or write the S. S. Kimball Company, Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Chicago, who are the Chicago and vicinity selling agents for Continental and Con-tex brick.



Investigate Cal-Co-Craft

The finished building in every detail, represents the product of the architect's or builder's ideal. By his buildings he is judged. Moreover, the inside of any house is what must bear the closet scrutiny. It is that part of the home that constantly comes under the watchful eye of the owner. Hence the builder ought to give considerable attention to the decoration of the interior.

It is not always the most elaborate designing and coloring that produces the best result. Rich effects can often be obtained by simple and economical methods, providing harmony of line and color is preserved.

Now and for many years to come wood-paneling will lead in favor. It is something that lends itself to easy and pleasing combination with burlap, paint or paper. Wood-paneling is of course expensive and cannot be afforded for general use.

A printed representation of wood, applied in the same way as wall paper, proves to be a satisfactory substitute for the same combinations can be effected at little expense. The



Artistic Paneled Wall, Using Cott-a-lap Co. Wall Coverings

strips of the imitation wood are used with battens and it is hard to tell the difference between the imitation and the real.

The Cott-a-lap Company of Somerville, New Jersey are large manufacturers of wall fabrics and show some fine specimens of their products. This company will gladly send full particulars to those desiring to acquaint themselves with the possibilities of these new wall coverings.



A Mixer Experience

One of our representatives has a friend who is a contractor. The other day this man phoned to our office: "Say old man I've started work on the concrete foundation for that new apartment building and have got a new mixer on the job. You ought to see the thing work. It's great. I think the readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER ought to know about this. Come on out and see it."

Ever alert for interesting news for our readers our man slipped into his overcoat and hurried off to where the contractor was at work. Arriving there his friend took him over to the machine. It seemed simple and sturdy and the way it chewed up the materials and delivered the mix was a caution. The mixer was working pretty fast and it kept those men hustling the concrete into the moulds. "Whose make is it?" our man asked. "Why that's the 'Low Down Concrete Mixer,' made by the Elite Mfg. Co., of Ashland, Ohio. Here's their catalog. I carried it with me as it contains some fine points on engine troubles and correct proportioning. Glad to say the machine is working without a hitch. That forced feed does the work," he replied.

An examination of the machine in action only convinced our representative that it should be an ideal one for every branch of the concrete business. The construction was excellent and the measuring device assured proper proportioning and mixing of the material in any condition. Instead of an ordinary intermittent feeder the material was forced into the mixing trough in an unbroken stream. The mixing trough was very long—about seven feet—and the contractor said this feature together with the forced feed insured not only a thorough mixture but a concrete uniform throughout. The best part of it was that the feeding and mixing was done in plain sight.

Our man came back to our office full of enthusiasm. He had a cut of the machine made from an illustration in the catalog, and now urges all subscribers to send for the catalog. Just drop a line to the Elite Mfg. Co., of Ashland, Ohio, and look over their machines before you decide to buy.

National Testing Laboratory Needed

EXTRACT FROM DISCUSSION ON
METAL LATH CONSTRUCTION

By H. M. McMaster, Commissioner
Associated Metal Lath Manufacturers

About three hundred of the leading Chicago architects were recently the guests of the Northwestern Expanded Metal Co. at a noonday luncheon at the Hotel La Salle. One point made by Mr. McMaster, the principal speaker, was concerning the need of a national testing laboratory for building materials.

"I want to dwell particularly upon one great lesson that was brought to all who had anything to do with those tests.

The superior fire-resisting value of cement mixtures was again well demonstrated, but regardless of findings of this character, however valuable to the building trades there was a thing impressed upon us through it all that should have the thoughtful consideration of every man in any way interested in building construction.

"Whatever of value may have been gotten from those tests can have official recognition only by the City of Cleveland, as the tests were under the direction of the Cleveland Building Department. If similar investigations were desired in Pittsburgh, or any other city revising its building laws, the effort and expense would have to be duplicated, if the State Building Code Commissions of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois or Wisconsin, should want similar information, the process would have to be duplicated in each of those states, or they may continue to do as is now done. That is, manufacturers of building materials, electrical equipment or other devices, each with the arguments that may best advance the sale of their products, go before the Commission and tell their stories. Competitors are not always of one mind as to the way of presenting this data, and confusion in the minds of the men on a Commission is sure to follow. Some of these manufacturers are sure to have superior advocates and preference may be given where it is not always deserved.

"Some of the manufacturers may have gone to the expense of having their materials or devices tested by the Underwriters' Laboratories. The approval of this institution always

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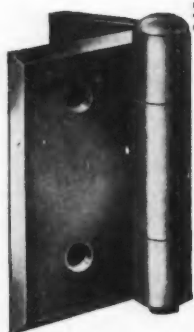
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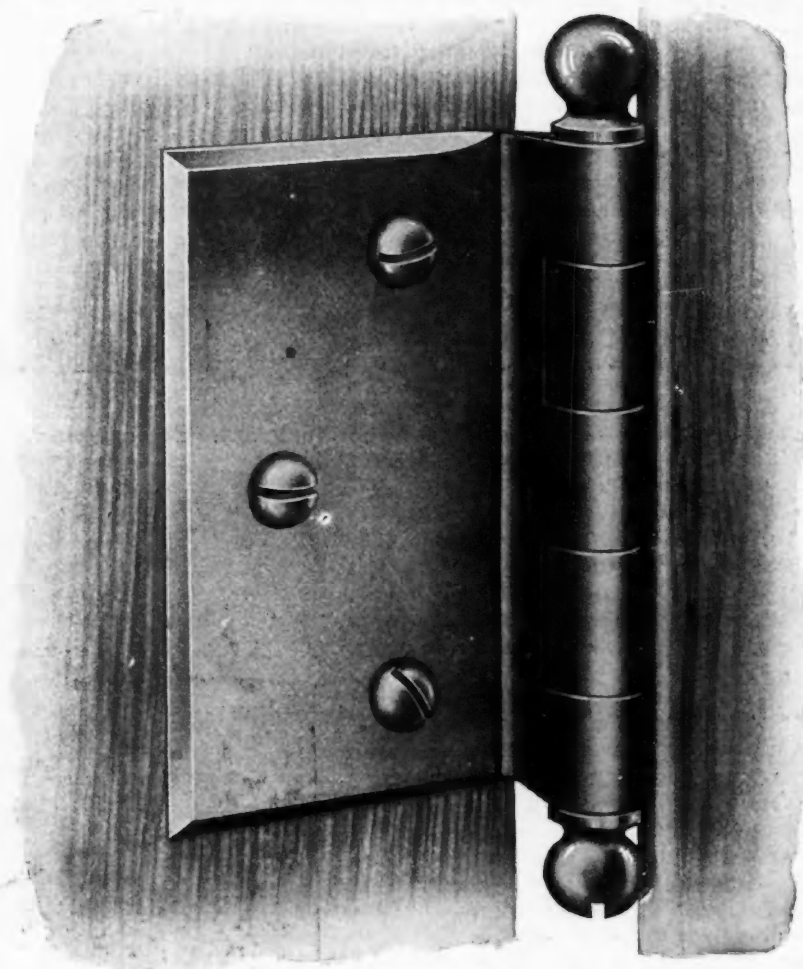


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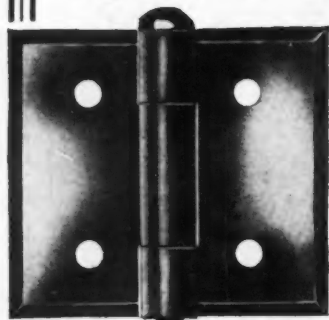
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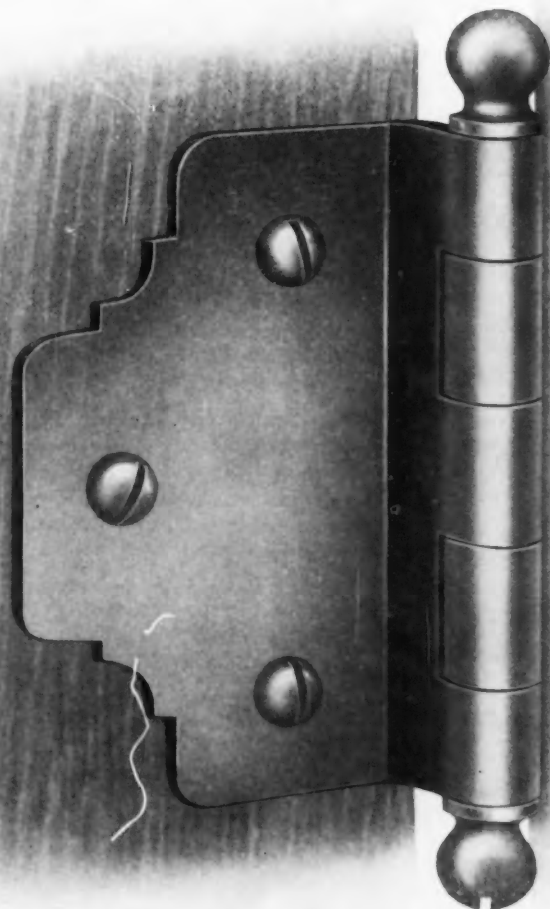


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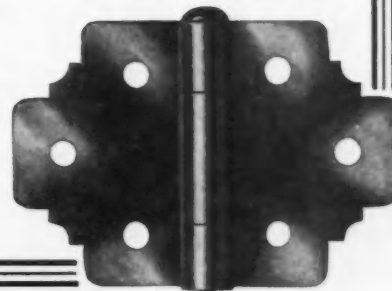


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has much weight, as it should, but it is manifestly wrong in principle that a private concern should fix the standards or constants that are used and enforced by city, state and national governments.

"I am led to believe that the remedy is on the way, as I understand the Bureau of Standards has in its budget for the coming year an item of \$25,000.00 to carry on fire tests. A similar item was refused by the last Congress, but I am sure anyone who has anything to do with the marketing of building materials and devices will agree with me that there is but one place where those standards can properly be fixed and that is by some Bureau of the Federal Government.

"When this 'National Testing Laboratory' becomes operative, it will be only a question of time when we shall have uniform standards for every city and state. It is not reasonable to expect that any manufacturer having confidence in his material or devices would do other than wish to have the government determine its physical properties and give it official approval.

"There would be a tremendous saving of money by precluding the numberless duplications of effort and there would be no use for the bitter contentions which have characterized legislation on building codes at some points in the country."

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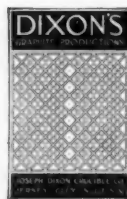
Quite a number of the leading manufacturers of building materials have adopted the policy of late of making their catalogs something more than mere price lists of materials. They have cared enough for the business of the contractors and builders to prepare their catalogs in a way that will really instruct and benefit those who receive them.

For instance, the new edition of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company's book, "Better Buildings," which is now being distributed, is in reality a building plan book. It contains model designs of all kinds of structures on which corrugated iron roofing or sheathing can be used. There are designs for contractors' shops and warehouses, barns and farm buildings of all kinds both large and small, garages, store buildings, etc.

Altogether it is a book full of ideas and suggestions for builders. It illustrates best recommended practice for the use of sheet metal; also contains considerable miscellaneous information pertaining to this line of work. The Pittsburgh office of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company will gladly send a copy of this book to any of our readers who will write them for it.

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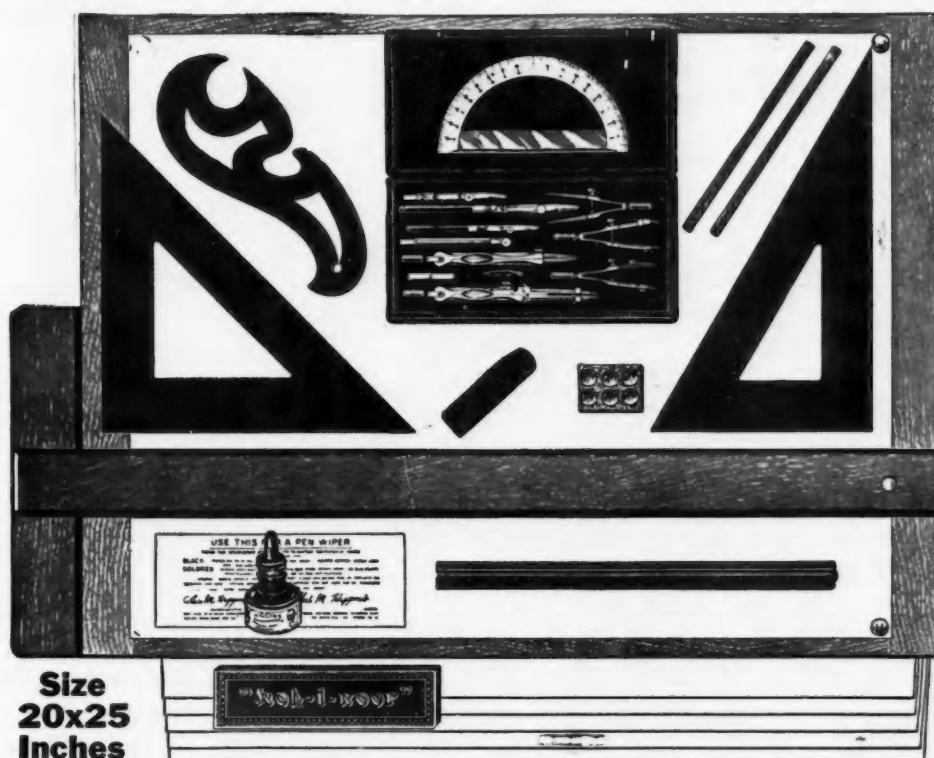
The largest and most complete production catalog ever issued by the Joseph Dixon Crucible Company, Jersey City, N. J., is now being mailed to the thousands of manufacturers, jobbers, purchasing agents and others interested in graphite, crucibles, paint, lubricants, pencils and the other productions of the Dixon Company.

Though over one hundred pages of type and illustrations are used, this catalog does not attempt to carry a full description of the entire Dixon line and only a few of the many hundreds of Dixon's American Graphite Pencils are listed.

The Dixon Company attach a peculiar value to their production catalog inasmuch as it serves to acquaint those who are already users of one form of graphite with its many other forms and uses. If you are particularly interested in graphite products you are invited to send for a copy of this catalog.

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This catalogue is issued for the express purpose of illustrating and pricing everything in the line of sheet metal building material which will assist contractors and builders in making estimates on contracts requiring sheet metal.

A large number of our readers are already well acquainted with the high standard of efficiency which this company have attained in constructing Willis skylights and ventilators.

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Any reader of our paper writing for catalogs or details will be furnished with the same promptly. Address Willis Mfg. Co., Galesburg, Ill.



Business From Abroad

What do you think of a magazine that reaches out and brings its advertisers inquiries from foreign countries? The AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER does it. Lately the United Pump & Power Co. received from Mr. C. F. M. Knudsen, Copenhagen, Denmark, a request for more information on the Perry Water System. The letter enclosed an ad clipped from our magazine.

Well, the Perry Water System is deserving of good attention. There's an old saying, "To save time is to lengthen life," and the Perry system does away with all needless pumping of water. Stored water is unfit for most uses, and the leaky space-taking storage tank has never been wholly

satisfactory. Consequently some one had to devise a method of delivering water fresh from the well. The Perry system has accomplished this by a method of storing air with which water is pumped direct from the source. Water can be drawn from more than one source, enabling the user to have both spring and cistern water in his home. The relative position of buildings and the source of supply makes no difference. The air-tank and compressor used in the Perry System occupy a space about 10 feet square; and, if greater capacity is needed, the change can be made without difficulty.

For those who desire the convenience of running water in their homes and the independent means of furnishing a supply, the Perry System ought to prove a good one. Contractors will find a profitable field in installing this water system and we'd suggest that our friends write for the free illustrated catalog to the United Pump & Power Co., 495 Old Colony Bldg., Chicago, Ill.



Birch and Hemlock Producers Meet

The Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers' Association held their annual meeting on January 27th at the Fisher Hotel, Milwaukee, Wis.

Resolutions were adopted favoring their present advertising campaign and expressing satisfaction with the results obtained in furthering sales. The officers for the coming year will be Messrs. E. A. Hamar, Pres.; R. B. Goodman, Vice Pres.; G. E. Foster, Treas., and W. C. Landon, J. J. Lingle, A. R. Week, and A. C. Wills, directors. The personnel of the grading committee for the association is Messrs. M. J. Quinlan, C. A. Goodman, G. W. Harder, J. T. Phillips, A. R. Owen and J. J. Ott. R. S. Kellogg, Wausau, Wis., is Secretary.

A review of the policies of the association for the past year and for 1913 created a lively interest.



Residence of Mrs. Clara F. Taylor, De Land, Fla., Roofed with J-M Transite Asbestos Shingles.

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Residence of L. R. Hoff, Paterson, N. J. Roofed with J-M Transite Asbestos Shingles, Sided with J-M Stucco. F. J. Parsons, Architect, N. Y.

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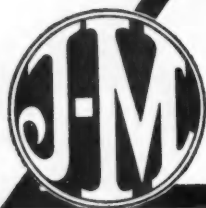
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a set of books that cover the plaster question from A to Z. They explain just why you should use our Climax Wood Mortar, Hercules Wall Plaster, Superior Wood Fiber Plaster, Gypsum Wall Plaster and Sackett Plaster Board. In addition, we will send you our room measurement booklet which makes it easy for you to tell at a glance the number of square yards in a room. These are all free; ask for them.



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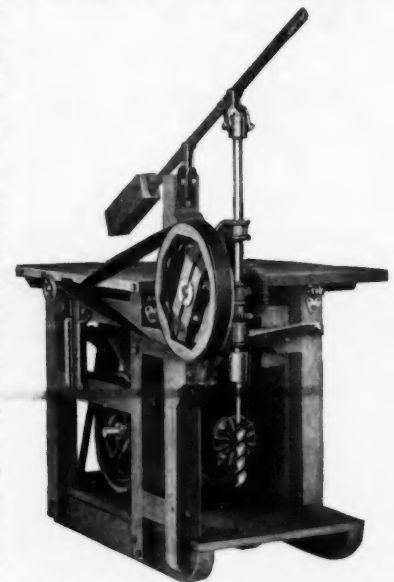


Oshkosh Boring Device for Heavy Timbers

Another great difficulty in building is now overcome—the boring of timbers for heavy construction work. The Oshkosh "Eveready" portable saw rig has just been fitted with a successful boring device that permits boring heavy beams and girders as they lie on the ground.

It is simply a matter of dragging the piece to be bored under the auger to the desired position. As the device can be quickly attached and detached, it does not interfere with the use of the saw rig in its many other capacities. The makers say it has been thoroughly tested out and is giving perfect satisfaction everywhere.

Further information can be had by dropping a card to Oshkosh Mfg. Co., 316 South Main St., Oshkosh, Wisconsin.



Oshkosh "Eveready" Saw Rig Equipped with New Heavy Timber Borer

Oak Flooring vs. Carpets

In recent years, the hardwood floor, especially oak flooring, is taking the place of carpets to such an extent that it is a very uncommon thing to see the old fashioned carpet that covers the entire floor. Carpets have had their day. The carpet is the champion collector of dust and germs. To keep a carpet thoroughly sanitary it would be necessary to wash it or steam it every week or two and, of course, this cannot be done so the best thing is to get rid of the carpet.

The ordinary home builder is often misled in regard to prices of oak flooring. Oak flooring is cheaper, and far better, than carpets. A yard of carpet is 27 inches wide by 3 feet in length, thus a yard of carpet contains 6¾ sq. ft. Carpet sells at from \$2.00 to \$9.00 per yard and a fair average, for a good quality, would be about \$3.00 per yard. Clear quartered (best grade), oak flooring ¾ inch thick by 1½ inches or 2 inches face can be bought, laid and polished for \$1.00 per carpet yard, with the price based in Cincinnati. This is about one-third the price of good carpet. Oak flooring tones up a house and exhibits more taste than any carpet that was ever made.

¾ inch thickness, after being laid, has all the appearance of thicker stock. A little more care is required to have the sub-floor even than when the 13/16 inch thickness is laid. In the ¾ inch only two widths are made, namely 1½ inch face and 2 inch face. Comparing the prices of the two thicknesses—¾ inch is about 40 per cent cheaper than 13/16 inch.

The ¾ inch thickness is used very extensively to cover old pine floors in old homes. All one needs to do is to rip off the quarter round trim, level off the sub-floor, and lay the ¾ inch oak flooring at right angles to the old floor. New bungalows and all classes of homes and apartment buildings are using ¾ inch thickness with marked success.

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Builders and architects recognize that oak flooring attracts a better class of tenants and makes a vast difference in the

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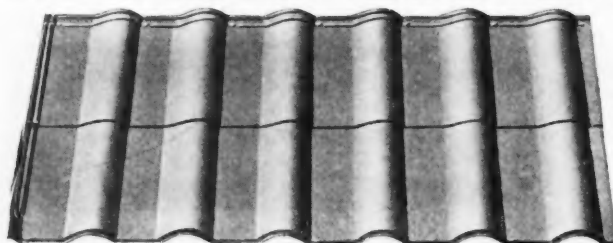
renting and selling value. A striking example of this can be seen daily in our newspapers in the advertising section where homes are listed for sale or for rent. Oak flooring, if used, is always emphasized. The woman of today demands oak flooring.

Oak has always been taken as an example of strength and endurance and there is little doubt but that before the dawn of history, the oldest living trees to be found, were oaks, as they are today. Vitruvius, in a book that he published about B. C. 25, which bears his name, writes that oak floors were used and recommends that each board be nailed with two iron nails to every joist. This sounds very much like our own modern specifications inasmuch as there is a special Oak Flooring, at the present time, made with holes bored through the face for nailing.



Adaptability of Metal Spanish Tile

That Metal Spanish Tile is met with widespread, popular favor, is shown by the many different types of buildings on

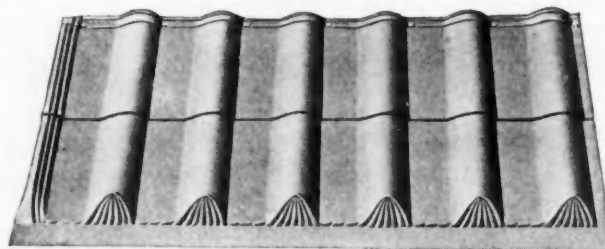


which it has been installed.

It came after years of study and experiment with a view of perfecting weather-proof tile roofing combining architectural beauty, light weight, ease of application, fire and lightning proof qualities and low maintenance cost; and the numerous

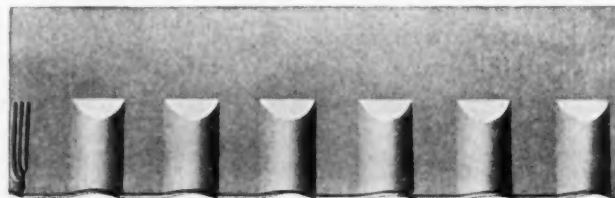
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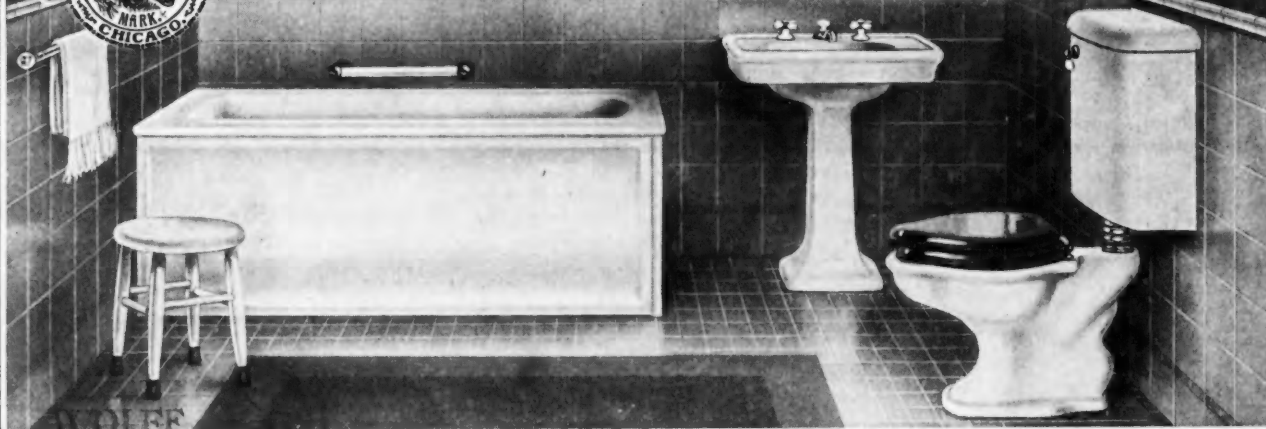
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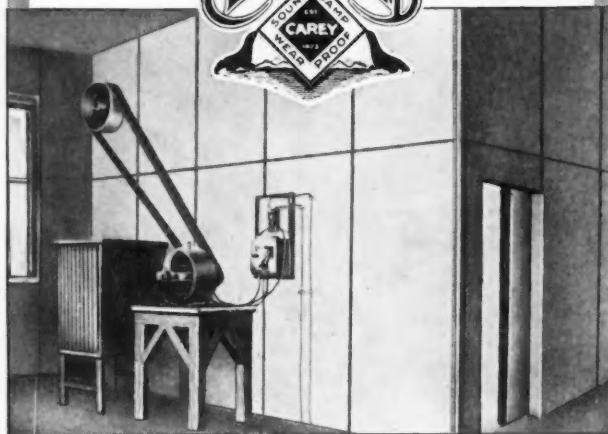
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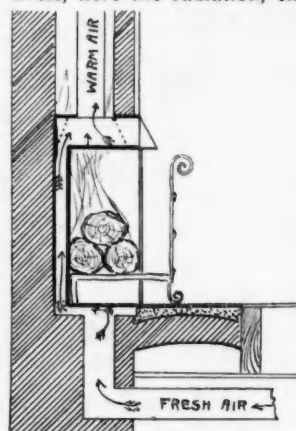
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That Metal Spanish Tile Roofing has come to stay is indicated by the thousands of inquiries which are pouring into the Berger office concerning this material, and by the many installations for which it is being specified.



Ventilating Fireplace

The fireplace as a home fixture is at last coming into its own again, and justly so. Here is the center of the family circle, here the radiation, cheeriness and comfort that should be a part of the home life—for what is more cozy in inclement weather than the glow of an open fire?



Cross Section of Grate

The vogue of fireplaces passed for a time because most people objected to the smoke and draft caused by an open grate. The firm of E. A. Jackson & Bro., 50 Beekman Street, New York City, evidently have overcome this difficulty in an economical and satisfactory manner. Their principle, which is the same as that of the furnace combined with the direct radiation of an open fire, should provide a clean and economical method of heating, not only the room in which the fire burns, but overhead or adjoining rooms.

Their scheme involves a fresh air intake leading from the outside of the house to points directly back and over the lining of the fireplace. Here the cold air is warmed and carried up a pipe to the room above. There is a ventilating grate directly above the fireplace by means of which, when the damper in the pipe leading to the upper chamber is thrown across, the warmed air from outside can be directed into the room in which the fire is situated. In this way healthful ventilation without draft is secured. The accompanying diagram will serve to indicate the system more clearly. One might probably conceive the idea that the installation of such a heating system would be difficult and expensive. On the contrary it is said to be one which any mason can set. The actual fireplace can be fitted to any opening.

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Prices on these two pages are for carload lots of lumber, F. O. B. our plant in Southern Illinois and are guaranteed to March 31st, 1913. If you cannot order a carload and wish a smaller quantity, add 8 per cent to the above carload prices and we will ship any quantity you want by local freight. Mark your order "Lumber Department 56-A."

CROWN MOLDING. Cypress.

Will Be Shipped in Assorted Lengths.

Size, Inches	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Wt., per 100 Lineal Feet
13-16x2 3/4	\$1.10	40 pounds
13-16x3 3/4	1.35	45 pounds
13-16x4 3/4	1.74	60 pounds
13-16x4 1/2	1.95	68 pounds

BED MOLDING. Cypress.

Will Be Shipped in Assorted Lengths.

Size, Inches	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Wt., per 100 Lineal Feet
13-16x2 1/4	\$0.83	28 pounds
13-16x2 3/4	.94	31 pounds
13-16x2 1/2	1.10	38 pounds

DRIP CAP MOLDING. Cypress.

Will Be Shipped in Assorted Lengths.

Size, Inches	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Wt., per 100 Lineal Feet
1 1/2 x 1 1/2	\$1.17	28 pounds
1 1/2 x 2	1.46	34 pounds
1 1/2 x 3	2.09	52 pounds

COVE MOLDING. Cypress.

Will Be Shipped in Assorted Lengths.

Size, Inches	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Wt., per 100 Lineal Feet
3/4 x 3/4	\$0.37	13 pounds
13-16x1 1/2	.45	16 pounds

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1 1/2 x 2	\$1.45	34 pounds

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1 1/2 x 1 3/4	\$1.17	28 pounds
1 1/2 x 2	1.46	34 pounds

SCREEN MOLDING. Cypress.

Shipped in Assorted Lengths.

Size, Inches	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Wt., per 100 Lineal Feet
7-16x 3/4	\$0.37	13 pounds
7-16x 1/2	.39	14 pounds

DOOR AND WINDOW STOP. O. G. Cypress.

Shipped in Assorted Lengths.

Size, Inches	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Wt., per 100 Lineal Feet
3/4 x 1 1/2	\$0.37	8 pounds
3/4 x 1 3/4	.41	9 pounds
3/4 x 1 1/2	.59	13 pounds
3/4 x 2	.66	15 pounds

LATTICE. Cypress. Shipped in Assorted Lengths.

Size, Inches	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Wt., per 100 Lineal Feet
5-16x1 1/2	\$0.31	8 pounds
5-16x1 3/4	.37	9 pounds
5-16x1 1/2	.50	12 pounds

PARTING STOP. Cypress.

Shipped in Assorted Lengths.

Size, Inches	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Wt., per 100 Lineal Feet
1/2 x 13-16	\$0.37	8 pounds

BLIND STOP. Cypress.

Shipped in Assorted Lengths.

Size, Inches	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Wt., per 100 Lineal Feet
13-16x1 1/2	\$0.55	21 pounds

QUARTER ROUND.

Shipped in Assorted Lengths.

Size, Inches	Cypress Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Size, Inches	Yellow Pine Price, per 100 Lineal Feet
3/4 x 3/4	36c	3/4 x 3/4	26c
3/4 x 1/2	37c		
3/4 x 1/4	38c		

FLOORING. Yellow Pine.

FLAT GRAIN.

Thickness, Inch	Width of Face	Grade	Weight, per 100 Square Feet	Price, per 100 Square Feet, Surface Measure
13-16	2 1/2 inch	Clear	200 lbs.	\$3.10
13-16	2 1/2 inch	No. 1	200 lbs.	2.85
13-16	2 1/2 inch	No. 2	200 lbs.	2.15
13-16	3 1/4 inch	Clear	210 lbs.	2.90
13-16	3 1/4 inch	No. 1	210 lbs.	2.65
13-16	3 1/4 inch	No. 2	210 lbs.	1.93
13-16	5 1/4 inch	Clear	220 lbs.	2.90
13-16	5 1/4 inch	No. 1	220 lbs.	2.73
13-16	5 1/4 inch	No. 2	220 lbs.	2.15

ORDER ENOUGH EXTRA TO ALLOW FOR TONGUE AND GROOVE.

Above prices are for assorted lengths. Specified lengths, 20 cents per 100 square feet, extra.

FLOORING. Yellow Pine.

EDGE GRAIN.

Thickness, Inch	Width of Face	Grade	Weight, per 100 Square Feet	Price, per 100 Square Feet, Surface Measure
13-16	3 1/4 inch	Clear	200 lbs.	\$4.10
13-16	3 1/4 inch	"C"	200 lbs.	3.32

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FLOORING. Made Especially for Porch Fir, Edge Grain. Floors.

Thickness, Inches	Width of Face, Inches	Grade	Wood	Weight, per 100 Feet, Board Measure	Price, per 100 Feet, Board Measure
7/8	3 1/4	Clear	Fir	200 lbs.	\$4.70
1 1/4	3 1/4	Clear	Fir	220 lbs.	5.20

IN ORDERING ABOVE FLOORING ALLOW EXTRA FOR TONGUE AND GROOVE.

If 1 1/2-inch is ordered add 25 per cent to surface measure for quantity board measure.

CEILING. Yellow Pine.

Size, Inches	Clear Grade, Price, per 100 Square Feet	No. 1 Grade, Price, per 100 Square Feet	No. 2 Grade, Price, per 100 Square Feet	Weight, per 100 Lineal Feet
1 1/2 x 3 1/4	\$2.32	\$2.15	\$1.50	110 lbs.
5/8 x 3 1/4	2.65	2.32	1.60	140 lbs.

Order extra to allow for tongue and groove.

YELLOW PINE PARTITION.

Size, Inches	Clear Grade, Price, per 100 Square Feet	No. 1 Grade, Price, per 100 Square Feet	No. 2 Grade, Price, per 100 Square Feet	Weight, per 100 Lineal Feet
3/4 x 3 1/4	\$3.02	\$2.71	\$2.00	180 lbs.

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FINISHING LUMBER.

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Size, Inches	Yellow Pine, Clear Grade, Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Yellow Pine, Select Grade, Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Cypress, Clear Grade, Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Cypress, Select Grade, Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Weight, per 100 Lineal Feet
1 x 3	\$0.90	\$0.76	\$1.18	\$0.90	65 lbs.
1 x 4	1.13	.95	1.49	1.06	85 lbs.
1 x 5	1.51	1.26	1.93	1.44	100 lbs.
1 x 6	1.66	1.40	2.30	1.72	125 lbs.
1 x 8	2.02	1.88	2.91	2.23	165 lbs.
1 x 10	2.53	2.53	3.87	2.39	210 lbs.
1 x 12	3.68	3.00	5.07	4.01	250 lbs.
1 1/4 x 4	1.55	1.33	1.93	1.41	114 lbs.
1 1/4 x 6	2.36	2.03	3.08	2.34	167 lbs.
1 1/4 x 8	3.17	2.72	4.03	3.05	220 lbs.
1 1/4 x 10	4.22	3.59	5.14	3.90	280 lbs.
1 1/4 x 12	5.00	4.26	6.69	5.37	335 lbs.
1 1/2 x 4	1.88	1.61	2.40	1.76	136 lbs.
1 1/2 x 6	2.80	2.39	3.70	2.84	200 lbs.
1 1/2 x 8	3.74	3.20	4.86	3.70	265 lbs.
1 1/2 x 10	5.01	4.27	6.24	4.77	336 lbs.
1 1/2 x 12	5.98	5.09	8.20	6.57	400 lbs.
2 x 4	2.52	2.16	3.40	2.55	178 lbs.
2 x 6	3.68	3.15	5.20	4.03	270 lbs.
2 x 8	5.00	4.28	6.87	5.31	365 lbs.
2 x 10	6.66	5.55	8.76	6.80	460 lbs.
2 x 12	7.90	6.70	11.33	9.22	550 lbs.

Above shipped in assorted lengths, 10 to 20 feet.

YELLOW PINE DROP SIDING.

Size, Inches	Clear Grade, Price, per 100 Square Feet	No. 1 Grade, Price, per 100 Square Feet	No. 2 Grade, Price, per 100 Square Feet	Weight, per 100 Square Feet
3/4 x 5 1/4	\$2.88	\$2.65	\$2.10	175 lbs.

Order extra for tongue and groove or shiplap.

BEVEL SIDING.

Size, Inches	Kind of Wood	Grade	Price, per 100 Square Feet	Weight, per 100 Square Feet
1 1/2 x 3 1/2	Cypress	Clear	\$2.35	100 lbs.
1 1/2 x 5 1/2	Cypress	Clear	2.45	100 lbs.
1 1/2 x 3 1/2	Cypress	C	2.00	100 lbs.
1 1/2 x 5 1/2	Cypress	C	2.10	100 lbs.
1 1/2 x 3 1/2	Yellow Pine	Clear	1.95	100 lbs.
1 1/2 x 5 1/2	Yellow Pine	Clear	2.05	100 lbs.
1 1/2 x 3 1/2	White Pine	C Select	2.40	80 lbs.
1 1/2 x 5 1/2	White Pine	C Select	2.50	80 lbs.

FIR STEPPING FOR PORCH STEPS.

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Thickness, Inches	Width, Inches	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Weight, per 100 Lineal Feet
1 1/4	10	\$6.35	280 lbs.
1 1/4	12	7.90	320 lbs.

WINDOW FRAME STOCK.

Made for 1 3/8-inch windows unless otherwise ordered.

Size, Inches	Clear Grade, Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	No. 1 Grade, Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Weight, per 100 Lineal Feet
13-16x4 3/4	\$1.05	\$1.60	90 lbs.

INSIDE DOOR FRAME STOCK.

Furnished in assorted lengths, 10 to 20 feet.

Grade	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Weight, per 100 Lineal Feet
Clear	\$2.05	120 lbs.
No. 1	1.65	120 lbs.

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Facts About Quality, Sizes and Grades

CONCERNING QUALITY. It is a well known fact among large contracting concerns and architects that cypress lumber for outside cornice work, finishing lumber and bevel siding, and yellow pine for dimension, joists, timbers, flooring, ceiling, partition, etc., are very superior in strength and lasting qualities to other kinds of woods, such as hemlock, tamarack, jack pine, etc. In most cases our yellow pine prices are lower than the prices charged by local concerns for cheaper woods, but frequently in the states and localities where hemlock, tamarack, etc., grow a slightly lower price is quoted on these woods than on yellow pine. In all instances, however, yellow pine and cypress will be the cheapest and most satisfactory woods in the end, for they will last much longer and make a more permanent building.

CONCERNING SIZES. The sizes specified on this and the opposite page for dimension lumber, timbers, boards, shiplap, dressed and matched, etc., are the even inch measurements into which lumber is always cut, green and rough. After allowing for the shrinkage of drying and for surfacing, this stock will finish a little scant in thickness and width. Our lumber is all finished and manufactured in standard or regular Association yellow pine sizes.

In ordering flooring, siding, ceiling, partition, shiplap, dressed and matched, be sure to order enough extra to allow for the tongue and groove. For instance, it takes 4-inch lumber to make flooring with 3 1/4-inch face. The difference is taken up in the tongue and groove. Example: A room 10x10 feet requires 100 square feet plus 25 per cent, or 125 feet, the board measure quantity necessary to cover this room.

CONCERNING GRADES. All our clear finishing lumber,

flooring, ceiling, siding, etc., both in cypress and yellow pine, is made from thoroughly kiln dried stock, very carefully machined. This is the highest grade furnished, is commonly known as Clear grade and is intended for the very best class of work.

Our select grade finishing lumber is the next grade below the clear and will contain some defects which can be covered with paint. This is the grade usually used for outside finishing lumber.

No. 1 grade dimension and timbers are all sound, straight stock, and our No. 1 boards, flooring, siding, ceiling, etc., are equal to the No. 1 grades usually furnished and are better than are sold in many local territories. No. 1 grade is the highest grade in which timbers, dimension, sheathing shiplap and dressed and matched are manufactured, and this stock is recommended for the best class of work.

Our No. 2 grade boards, sheathing and shiplap are good serviceable stock, and are the grade in which this material is usually ordered in moderate and high priced buildings. Our No. 2 dimension, flooring, ceiling, etc., are equal to the No. 2 grades usually furnished, but should be ordered only for low priced construction.

Our No. 3 grade is the lowest grade we handle, but in many localities No. 3 boards, sheathing and shiplap are used almost entirely. This lumber will be used with some waste, and may be satisfactory for low priced buildings. Mark your Order "Lumber Dept., 56-A."

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Only To March 31

DIMENSION. Yellow Pine.

Surfaced One Side and One Edge.

Size, In.	Lgth., Feet	No. 1 Grade, Each Piece, Lbs.	Wt., Each Piece, Lbs.
2x4	6	\$0.14	10
2x4	8	.17	13
2x4	9	.18	15
2x4	10	.19	17
2x4	12	.20	20
2x4	14	.22	23
2x4	16	.23	27
2x4	18	.24	30
2x4	20	.25	33
2x4	22	.26	37
2x4	24	.27	40
2x4	26	.28	43
2x4	28	.29	47
2x6	6	.14	15
2x6	8	.19	20
2x6	9	.20	23
2x6	10	.21	25
2x6	12	.22	30
2x6	14	.23	35
2x6	16	.24	40
2x6	18	.25	45
2x6	20	.26	50
2x6	22	.27	55
2x6	24	.28	60
2x6	26	.29	65
2x6	28	.30	70
2x6	30	.31	75
2x8	8	.26	27
2x8	10	.33	33
2x8	12	.38	40
2x8	14	.43	47
2x8	16	.48	53
2x8	18	.51	60
2x8	20	.56	67
2x8	22	.61	73
2x8	24	.66	80
2x8	26	.71	86
2x8	28	.76	92
2x8	30	.81	100
2x10	8	.34	35
2x10	10	.42	45
2x10	12	.47	52
2x10	14	.55	61
2x10	16	.66	69
2x10	18	.75	78
2x10	20	.83	87
2x10	22	.95	95
2x10	24	1.04	104
2x10	26	1.12	110
2x10	28	1.21	116
2x10	30	1.28	125
2x12	8	.42	42
2x12	10	.52	52
2x12	12	.59	62
2x12	14	.69	73
2x12	16	.82	83
2x12	18	.94	94
2x12	20	1.04	104
2x12	22	1.14	114
2x12	24	1.24	125
2x12	26	1.33	130
2x12	28	1.42	140
2x12	30	1.51	150

No. 2 Dimension furnished when in stock for \$2.00 less per 1,000 feet.

Surfaced Four Sides.

Size, In.	Lgth., Feet	Price, Each Piece	Wt., Each Piece, Lbs.
4x4	10	\$0.32	47
4x4	12	.40	56
4x4	14	.46	65
4x4	16	.52	75
4x4	18	.58	84
4x4	20	.65	93
4x4	22	.72	103
4x4	24	.84	112
4x4	26	.94	123
4x4	28	1.06	140
4x4	30	1.13	152
4x6	10	.43	70
4x6	12	.53	84
4x6	14	.60	98
4x6	16	.78	112
4x6	18	.88	126
4x6	20	.97	140
4x6	22	1.16	154
4x6	24	1.27	168
4x6	26	1.42	198
4x6	28	1.59	213
4x6	30	1.76	228
6x6	12	.88	126
6x6	14	1.02	147
6x6	16	1.17	168
6x6	18	1.31	180
6x6	20	1.46	210
6x6	22	1.73	231
6x6	24	1.89	252
6x6	26	2.13	272
6x6	28	2.37	296
6x6	30	2.64	315
6x8	12	2.19	365
6x8	14	2.41	385
6x8	16	2.69	410
6x8	18	2.97	440
6x8	20	3.25	468
6x8	22	3.57	492
6x8	24	3.89	517
6x8	26	4.26	547
6x8	28	4.64	570
6x8	30	5.02	600
8x8	12	1.55	224
8x8	14	1.81	261
8x8	16	2.08	299
8x8	18	2.34	336
8x8	20	2.61	373
8x8	22	2.88	411
8x8	24	3.15	448
8x8	26	3.42	483
8x8	28	3.69	522
8x8	30	3.96	560
8x8	32	4.23	599
8x8	34	4.50	638
8x8	36	4.77	677
8x10	12	2.02	310
8x10	14	2.36	360
8x10	16	2.70	400
8x10	18	3.03	455
8x10	20	3.37	510
8x10	22	3.70	555
8x10	24	4.03	610
8x10	26	4.36	660
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5-2	16	Extra Clear	Red Cedar	4.35	180 lbs.
5-2	16	Prime	Cypress	3.70	300 lbs.

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Length, Inches	Wood	Grade	Price, per 1,000	Weight, per 1,000
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13-16	2 inch	Yel. Pine	40c	40 lbs.
13-16	3 inch	Yel. Pine	55c	60 lbs.

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Size, Inches	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Weight, per 100 Lineal Feet
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1x6	25.50	21.50	18.75	2,500 lbs.
1x8	25.50	22.90	19.00	2,500 lbs.
1x10	26.00	23.00	19.00	2,500 lbs.
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1x8	18, 20	30.00	250 lbs.
1x10	12, 14, 16	31.00	250 lbs.
1x10	18, 20	32.00	250 lbs.
1x12	12, 14, 16	33.00	250 lbs.
1x12	18, 20	38.00	250 lbs.

Above stock will be furnished in shiplap or dressed and matched for 15 cents extra per 100 square feet.

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1x8	18, 20	28.00	250 lbs.
1x10	12, 14, 16	29.00	250 lbs.
1x10	18, 20	30.00	250 lbs.
1x12	12, 14, 16	31.00	250 lbs.
1x12	18, 20	33.00	250 lbs.

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Size	Kind Wood	Design	Price, per 100 Lineal Feet	Weight, per 100 Lineal Feet
3/4x3	Cypress	Flat	\$0.57	30 lbs.
3/4x3 1/4	Cypress	O. G.	.80	40 lbs.
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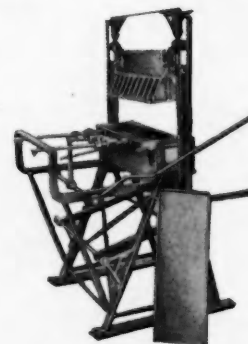
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The "Crescent" Machines Employ Special Features

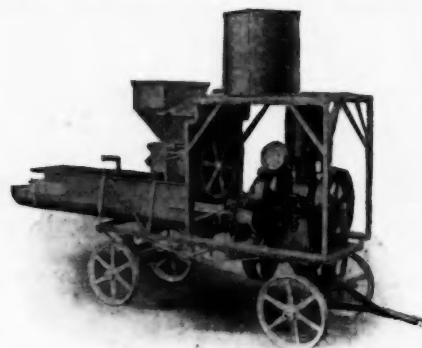
Many commendable features are employed in the "Crescent" vertical tamping brick machine. Everything about it has been so constructed as to bring simplicity, strength and efficient operation to a high standard.

In a machine of this kind there must be no "give" or the repeated blows of the tamper will eventually cause a loosening or breakage of the parts. It also stands to reason that a heavy tamper if properly balanced produces the best brick. It is with these requisites in mind that the Raber & Lang Mfg. Co. make their machines. In the "Crescent" a steel hopper is placed over the moulding compartments which are all filled at the same time. Only two blows of the tamp are necessary. The hopper which is provided with handles is then drawn forward scraping off all surplus material. The bricks are made face down, but one pull on the lever delivers the ten bricks face up on the pallet. The operation is extremely simple and the machine is thoroughly warranted.



Brick Machine

The "Crescent" continuous concrete mixers are also worthy of our readers' attention. These have been built with a fine regard to lasting qualities. The proportioning by these machines is unique. It is accomplished by cupped cylinders one each for the sand, stone and cement. Each cylinder can be



Continuous Mixer

so adjusted that any proportion may be obtained. For instance if the cup in the sand cylinder is 4 inches long and that in cement cylinder is 2 inches long the proportion will be 2 to 4 or 1 to 2. Its very plain. The hoppers, mixing trough and paddles are all specially designed to produce the best results.

We think you will be interested in the catalogs that the Raber & Lang Mfg. Co. of Kendallville, Ind., send free to all inquirers. Suppose you write them for some information regarding their machines.



New Disston Catalog

A valuable little catalog and price list that ought to be in the hands of every carpenter and mason, has been issued by Henry Disston & Sons, Philadelphia, Pa.

These people have achieved an enviable record for the integrity of the tools made by them. The Disston crucible steel saws are well known for the qualities that have held them on the market for over fifty years. There is an advantage in buying direct from the manufacturer that should not be overlooked and this company can be given the full confidence of our readers.

A Model Home



Residence of D. S. Pate (Geo. W. Maher, Architect), Highland Park, Chicago.

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Big Lumber Firm Invades the East

HEWITT-LEA-FUNK COMPANY ACQUIRES
TWO NEW MILLS

Our readers will be interested in learning that the Hewitt-Lea-Funk Company of Seattle, Washington, are now operating two new mills—both within a few days' freight haul to all points East of the Mississippi River.

This is in addition to the six great mills that are now turning out from 20 to 30 carloads of lumber and mill work a day in Seattle.

The Hewitt-Lea-Funk Company are in an enviable position today. They own vast tracts of timber in the Puget Sound region; do their own cutting, logging, railroading and operate their own mills.

Their success has been so phenomenal that they decided to offer the lumber buying public of the East and South the same opportunities of buying lumber and millwork as are now enjoyed by their thousands of satisfied customers throughout the West.

Our readers are doubtless familiar with the high quality of the timber from the Hewitt-Lea-Funk Company's huge forests of fir, spruce, cedar, hemlock and western soft pine.

Builders appreciate the wonderfully lasting qualities of their fir, which is clean, straight and free from sap and knots. Their customers will be glad to know that they can secure from the new Southern mills of the Hewitt-Lea-Funk Company, yellow pine that comes from the famous Rose Mary belt. This lumber is unusually light and soft in texture. It makes good casing, base and interior finish, and not only does it work easily under the saw, but it takes and holds paint well and makes a beautiful varnished finish.

From their St. Louis mill, they are now handling orders promptly for cypress, yellow pine, oak, all kinds of doors and millwork that is famous for its high quality.

A postal card, to the Hewitt-Lea-Funk Company, Seattle, Washington, by a builder asking for catalog and price list, will be a first step towards putting in his own pocket the money that would otherwise go to the lumber combine.



A New Idea in Floor-Scrapers

It seems too good to be true that a floor scraper can be made without bolts or nuts and yet such a one has been



New Model Floor Scraper

placed on the market by the Stern Manufacturing Co. of Lancaster Pa. The adjusting of the handle and the removal or replacement of the blades is done by a simple turn of the

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Our Circassian Walnut Appeals to the Homebuilders—Contractors and Builders—Because it is Both Beautiful and Distinctive

¶ Paneling is being used more and more. It is popular with home owners and home builders for it gives a clean cut, attractive, substantial appearance to any room that is finished with it. Paneling is especially suitable for use in offices, stores, etc., and it is being used extensively in such work.

¶ Paneling offers you—Contractors and Builders—a big field among both new and old buildings. You can secure business through our Built-Up-Veneers. They give your work a certain standing. People see them—admire them—and want them.

¶ Paneling is not hard to install. It can be put into an old or re-modeling home, as easy as into a new building. And considering the added worth and effect paneling produces, it is not expensive.

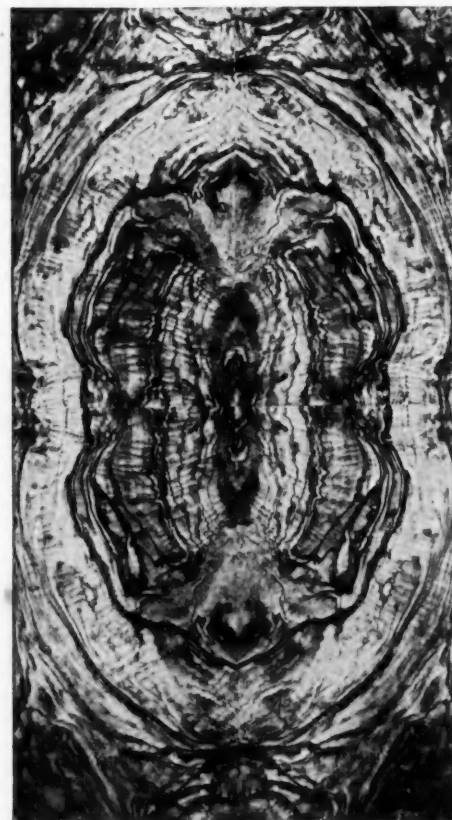
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¶ Note the accompanying reproduction of a Circassian Walnut Built-Up-Veneer. Note the distinctiveness of this panel—the perfect and pleasing effect.

¶ Our Built-Up-Veneers are made in many highly figured, also domestic and foreign solid effect woods. They are essentially different in their appearance and make-up than any other paneling manufactured. They represent quality all the way through. They are up-to-date in all respects.

¶ We are the largest manufacturers of paneling and Built-Up-Veneers. We can turn out paneling of almost any size desired up to 17 feet in length. Longer lengths are easily spliced.

¶ Send us your specifications and details and we will be pleased to quote and give you any information you may desire.



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That depends largely upon the *wood* you use. You know that constant repair bills and depreciation will kill any good contractor's *Reputation*—and thereby his *Business*. *Cypress* "makes good" for you because it is *the one best wood for the owner*.

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Folks want it. "It" is CYPRESS.

Our advertising has seen to that.

Can you conceive of any reason why you shouldn't let them have it?

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Our Special Offer is made to try out a selling idea. The Boiler has been given a good trial and proven a great success. During 1912 we sold more than we could deliver. Investigate and get your order in early. It is a real bargain, worth double the price. Send \$10 with order. Balance upon inspection. Money refunded if unsatisfactory. Galvanized Iron Expansion Tank free if full cash payment accompanies order.

Fully Guaranteed

Specifications :

RATING—750 sq. ft., Boiler Manufacturers' Standard.

SIZE—NO. 20.—Outside diameter, 23 in.; height, 66½ in.; diameter of firepot, 20 in.; depth of firepot, 16 in.; height of combustion chamber, 48 in.; diameter of smoke pipe, 8 in.; supply tappings—six 1½ in.; return tappings—six 1½ in. Other sizes also.

BOILER STEEL—These boilers are manufactured from 60,000 lbs. tensile strength boiler steel with shell and firepot ¼ in. thick and heads ¾ in. thick. They are machine-riveted throughout under 60 tons' pressure with ⅝ in. union cone head rivets and calked and tested under 80 lbs. hydrostatic pressure.

CASTINGS AND TRIMMINGS—Are of the soft gray iron and include heavy rocking and dumping finger grates of latest pattern, ashpit and firedoor frames and doors ground and fitted, adjustable check damper and special cast iron smoke connection.

TOOLS—Each boiler is furnished with complete set of fire tools, including shaker bar and clinker hook.

Read What a User Says:

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Andrews Heating Co.

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hand screws. The set of the blades, they say can be adjusted to the one-thousandth part of an inch by the twist of an ordinary screw driver in a slot in the center of the quadrant. The special feature to which attention is called is that floor scraper blades of any make can be used. The weight of the machine is about 125 pounds and each part is covered by a liberal guarantee.

The Stern Manufacturing Co. will gladly send details and price list to any of our readers.



Three "Yankee" Drills

The North Bros. Mfg. Co., of Philadelphia have recently added a few new "Yankee" tools to their already large line. Three of these are illustrated herewith.

The first is their No. 1500 which is equipped with a three jaw chuck, the same as used on the well known "Yankee" breast drill. The chuck body is of malleable iron, polished and nickel plated, 2¾ inches long by 1⅝ inches diameter. The three jaws are of tool steel. The chuck holds round shanks only up to ½ inch in diameter. This tool is 9¾ inches long and weighs 3¼ pounds. On this tool the taking up and releasing of the chain is done in a movement with a friction feed. When the chain is tight, the automatic feed operates by turning a small lever which can be relieved when desired depth is reached.

The "Yankee" chain drill have been subjected to long and severe trial for durability and strength as well as from the practical standpoint of convenience and rapidity with which they work. They have stood up to very requirement.

The "Yankee" No. 1455 is a plain breast drill, double speed with three jaw chuck. The jaws are of tool steel and hold round shank drills only up to ½ inch diameter. The large gear is 5 inches, small gear 1⅞ inches. All the gears have extra strong cut teeth. Extreme length of drill is 16½ inches.



New "Yankee" Models

Net weight 5½ pounds. Special attention is called to the quick, easy change in speed made by the small shifter on the main frame between the small gears. The side handle can be unscrewed and has screw driver bit to fit in drill. The frame is of malleable iron, spindle of steel turned and fitted.

The "Yankee" No. 1430 is a plain hand drill of single speed with three jaw chuck to hold round shank drills only up to 3/16 inch diameter. The large gear wheel is 3 1/18 inches in diameter. The wood handle is 4 inches long, 1½ inches diameter, and can be detached from frame by milled nut to use interior of handle as a magazine for drills. The thrust on spindle is taken by hardened steel bearing in lower end of frame.

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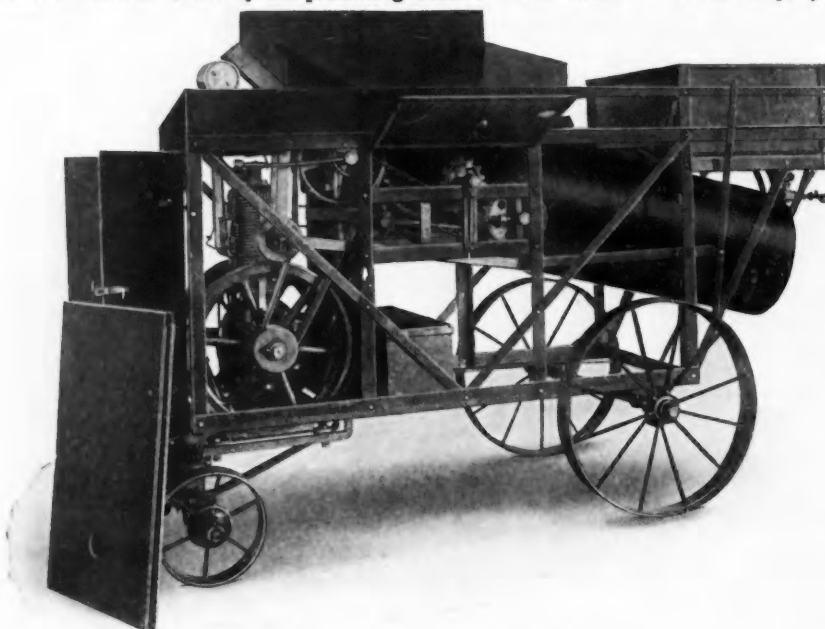
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Continuous Mixer of Ballou Mfg. Co.

Mfg. Co., of Belding, Mich., seem to have followed these principles in manufacturing their concrete mixers.

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not usually found in machines of this type. Special attention has been paid to perfecting the proportioning and mixing devices and the wetting of the entire mix. Naturally the simple mechanism employed makes for ease in operation and the saving of considerable wear and tear on the machine.

This company feature three styles—the hand power (Model

A) and two engine power model B2 and B3, these last being equipped with two and three hoppers respectively. It is claimed that with a hand power mixer a man can turn out from 3 to 5 cubic yards per hour while the output of the power models ranges from 3 to 10 cubic yards in the same time according to adjustment of the feed gates.

Anyone who is at all interested in concrete mixers would do well to look over the catalog illustrating these machines. The Ballou Mfg. Co. are very glad to furnish these free on request.



Send for This One

An interesting catalog of hardware specialties has been issued by L. A. Sayre & Son, Newark, N. J. While the book is small and compact, it contains nearly one hundred pages of finely illustrated tools indispensable to our friends, the builders. The prices in our estimation are reasonable for articles of such excellent quality.

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Saving No. II—Complete Combustion

Smoke and gases (25 to 40 per cent heat value in coal) pass up through the fire, are consumed and converted into useful heat; whereas in topfeed heaters, smoke and gases go to waste—up the chimney. Combustion being perfect in the Underfeed, no clinkers form and very few ashes.

Saving No. III—All Heat Utilized

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THE PECK Williamson Underfeed FURNACES BOILERS

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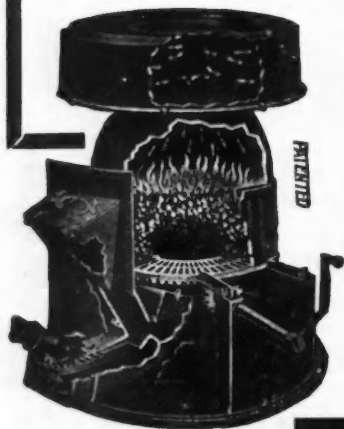
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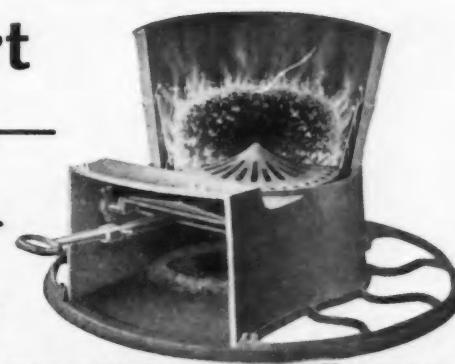
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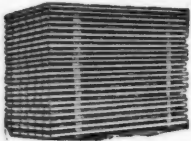
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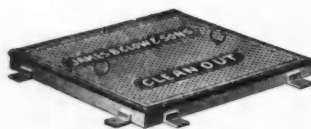
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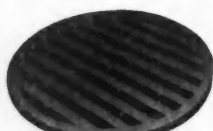
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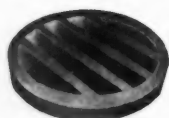
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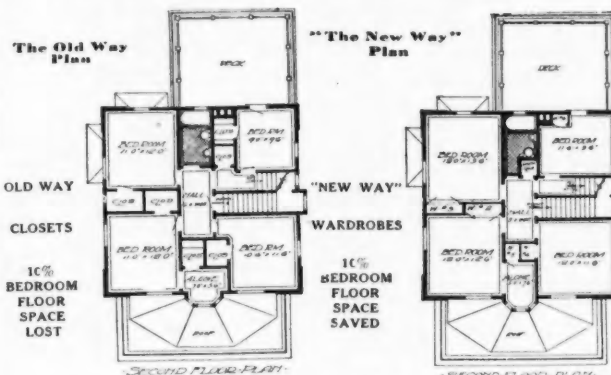
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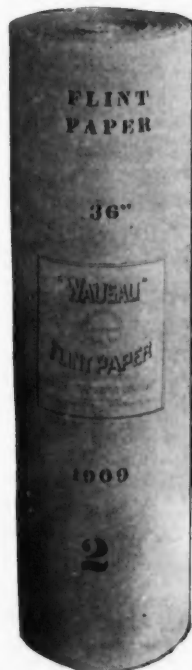
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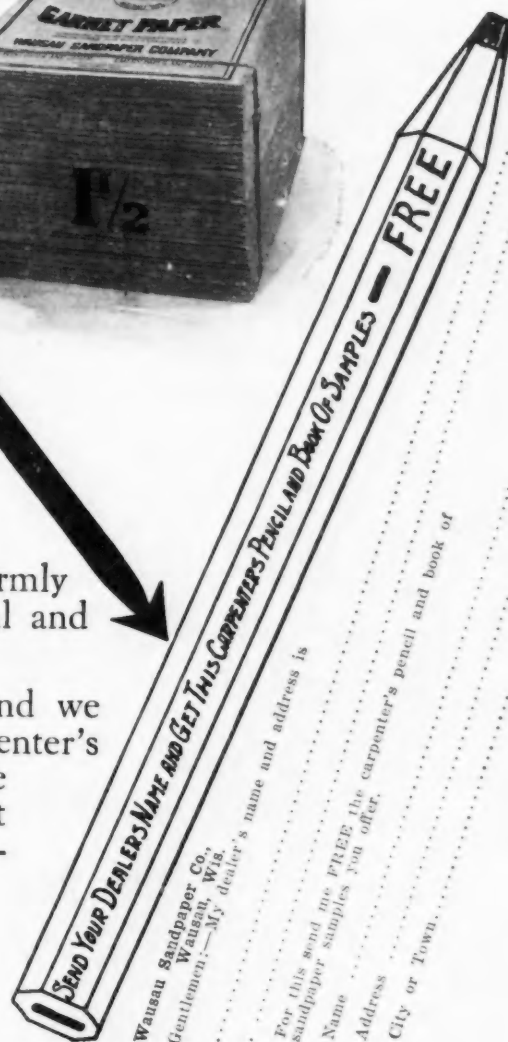
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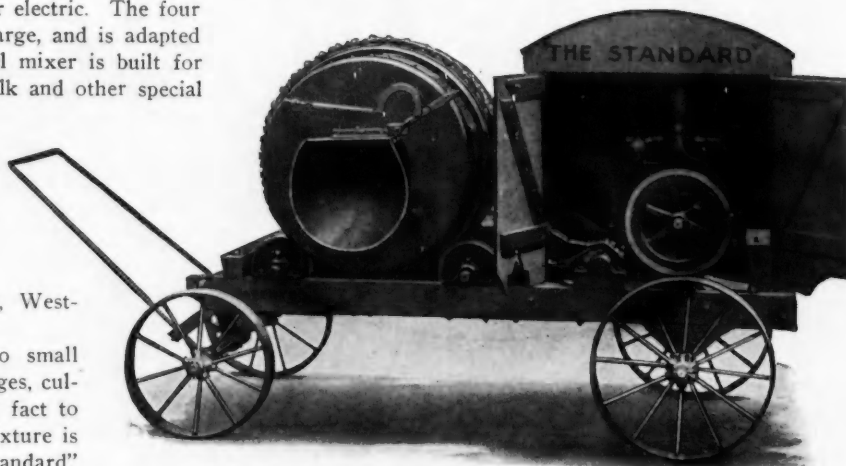
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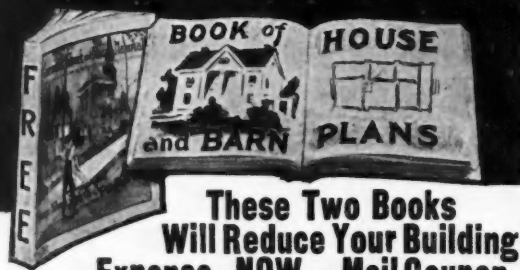
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from the best material obtainable and coupled with the work of the highest grade skilled mechanics.

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They have issued a new bulletin 144, giving in detail the construction and additional information regarding "The Standard" Junior and same will be sent to you upon request to the Standard Scale & Supply Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., New York City, Philadelphia, Pa., and Chicago, Ill.



Spot Cord Trade Mark Menaced

The following letter will no doubt interest our readers:

Boston, Mass., Feb. 17, 1913.

THE AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER,
178 W. Jackson, Boulevard, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sirs:

There seems to have been more misapprehension in the trade as to our Spot Cord Trade-Mark, and some of your readers may be interested to know that we brought suit against the manufacturer who had put out a cord with a mark so nearly like ours as to mislead users into thinking they were getting our best grade of cord, when actually they were getting that of another manufacturer. Although we were not successful in our suit in the Lower Court, we are advised by eminent counsel that the Court erred in its decision, and the question is now before the Court of Appeals and will come to a hearing just as soon as the Docket will allow.

The mark of the Spots on the Cord was established by us in 1893, and registered in the U. S. Patent Office in 1894. We have no doubt of the ultimate protection of the Courts in this case, and believe that the trade will, in fairness to users of cord, and to the manufacturers, and in their own interests, wait for that decision before handling an article which is to us such a manifest case of "unfair competition."

The mark is so nearly like ours that it is likely to be substituted where Spot Cord is specified. We know of one case where the imitation cord was substituted, the difference not being noticed by the architect until the cord was all put in. The builder then had to remove all the imitation cord, cut up in small pieces as it was.

We shall be glad to have you use this information in your reading matter if you can consistently do so.

We remain,

Yours very truly,

SAMSON CORDAGE WORKS,
H. G. Pratt.



Canton Builders' Exchange Gives Banquet

The banquet given by the Canton Builders' Exchange at the Courtland Hotel, Canton, Ohio, on Feb. 5th, was very much of a success in the promotion of policies for which the Exchange stands.

An address on "The Value of Organization" delivered by Mr. James M. Carter, Secretary of the Buffalo Builders' Exchange, was accorded much favor. The keystone of his talk was the government of the organization according to the same high ideals and character that prevail in home life. Mr. Charles R. Kumpf, Secretary of the Canton Branch, reviewed the work accomplished during the past year and outlined the work for 1913. The aim of the Exchange, according to Mr. Kumpf, is to create a demand for better buildings to protect the public from unfair work on the part of contractors and builders and to prevent friction between members of the trade. Worthy motives, all!

Nearly 200 builders and contractors including a delegation from the Alliance Builders Exchange, were greatly pleased with both the dinner and the speeches.



Send for Your Copy of This Free Book

HERE'S a book that every carpenter, owner, 55 years of varnish-making experience contractor or builder should have: have gone into this book and there'll be many "Natural Woods and How to Finish Them." Written by an expert, and full of valuable information that you'll be mighty glad to have at hand.

Remember that the finish on a job is sometimes the principal factor in determining the satisfaction of the

a time when you want to consult it.

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Transportation for Builders

The motorcycle will prove a happy solution of the transportation problem for the builder whose work lies some distance from his home. The rapidity and ease in traveling to and from the job are worth considering.

The Miami Cycle & Mfg. Co. have sent us their 1913 catalog which we have read with great interest. These people are old and reliable manufacturers of cycles and have embodied some new and exclusive features in their "Flying Merkel." It is said to be the only motorcycle equipped with a self-starting and two-speed free engine gear. Special attention has been paid to perfecting the motor and carburetor. The spring frame insures easy riding. The beautifully illustrated catalog before us cleverly describes all the parts entering into motorcycle construction and is a great source of information. An excellent line of bicycles is also shown.

We'd like you to have this valuable and interesting catalog. The Miami Cycle & Mfg. Co. of Middletown, Ohio, will send it free of charge.



The "Monarch" Motorcycle

A very neat motorcycle—The Monarch—has been introduced by the Ives Motorcycle Corporation of Owego, Tioga Co., New York. This machine with single or double cylinders is fitted with the Monarch "Feather Bed" leaf spring seat suspension which makes easy riding. There has been some objection to motorcycles on the basis that they tire the rider. No such claim ought to be made against the Monarch.

Unsolicited testimonials from buyers indicate that this motorcycle is an excellent hill-climber, and the cost of repairs practically nothing. It may be safely said that a good hill-climbing machine is a trustworthy one for speed and en-

durance on level ground. A motorcycle as a means of "getting on the job" ought to be seriously considered by every builder. The claims made for the Monarch are worth your attention.

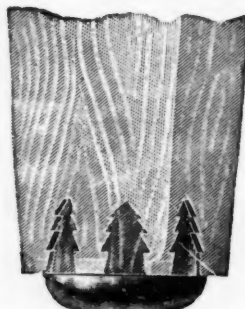
The manufacturers have just got out their new catalog in which the working parts of their machines are nicely shown. The book will be sent upon request.



Here's a Tip

We have a little message for our carpenters which will prove a happy suggestion. It's a small matter but with a little attention and no great effort may be turned into considerable profit.

Everyone admires the smooth polish of a hardwood floor but it's a mighty difficult thing to preserve when people slide chairs or other furniture on it, leaving behind a scar that mars the whole effect. The little tip we want to tell you about is simply a metal cap having three prongs. These are driven into each chair leg and behold, you have no chance of scratching the floor or tearing a rug. They're the easiest thing to

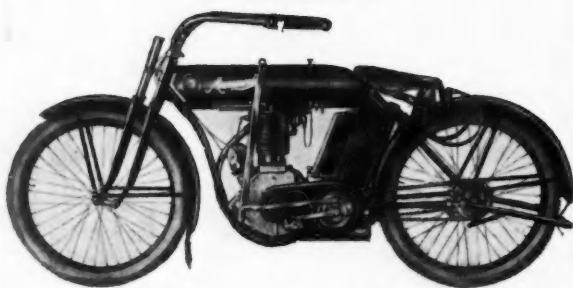


attach you ever saw. The Evergrip Gliding Caster Co., 20 Warren St., New York City, want agents and distributors everywhere to sell these dandy casters. We thought we'd pass the knowledge along to you. They're so cheap and there's a neat little profit in it. Write these people for their proposition to carpenters. They also send a sample set free of charge.

Single 5
\$225

Monarch

Twin 10
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America's Most Practical Motorcycle

In the *MONARCH* no expense or pains are spared to make it so.

All wearing parts are designed right and made large, weight is put where needed, but we have no superfluous weight.

Our *LEAF SPRING* shock absorber is the greatest device of its kind ever invented. Taken with our 60-inch wheel-base and large tires, it makes the *MONARCH* the most easy riding possible.

For further information address

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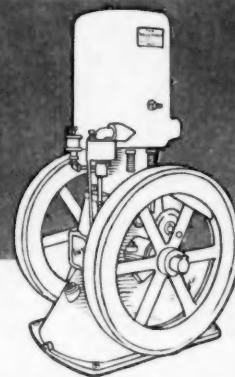
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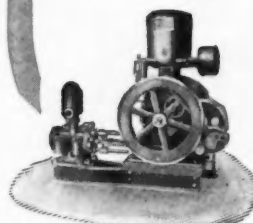
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and let us show you why the above is so. It also describes the Novo Hoisting and Centrifugal Outfits and other Novo Pumping Outfits, made in many sizes to fit all conditions

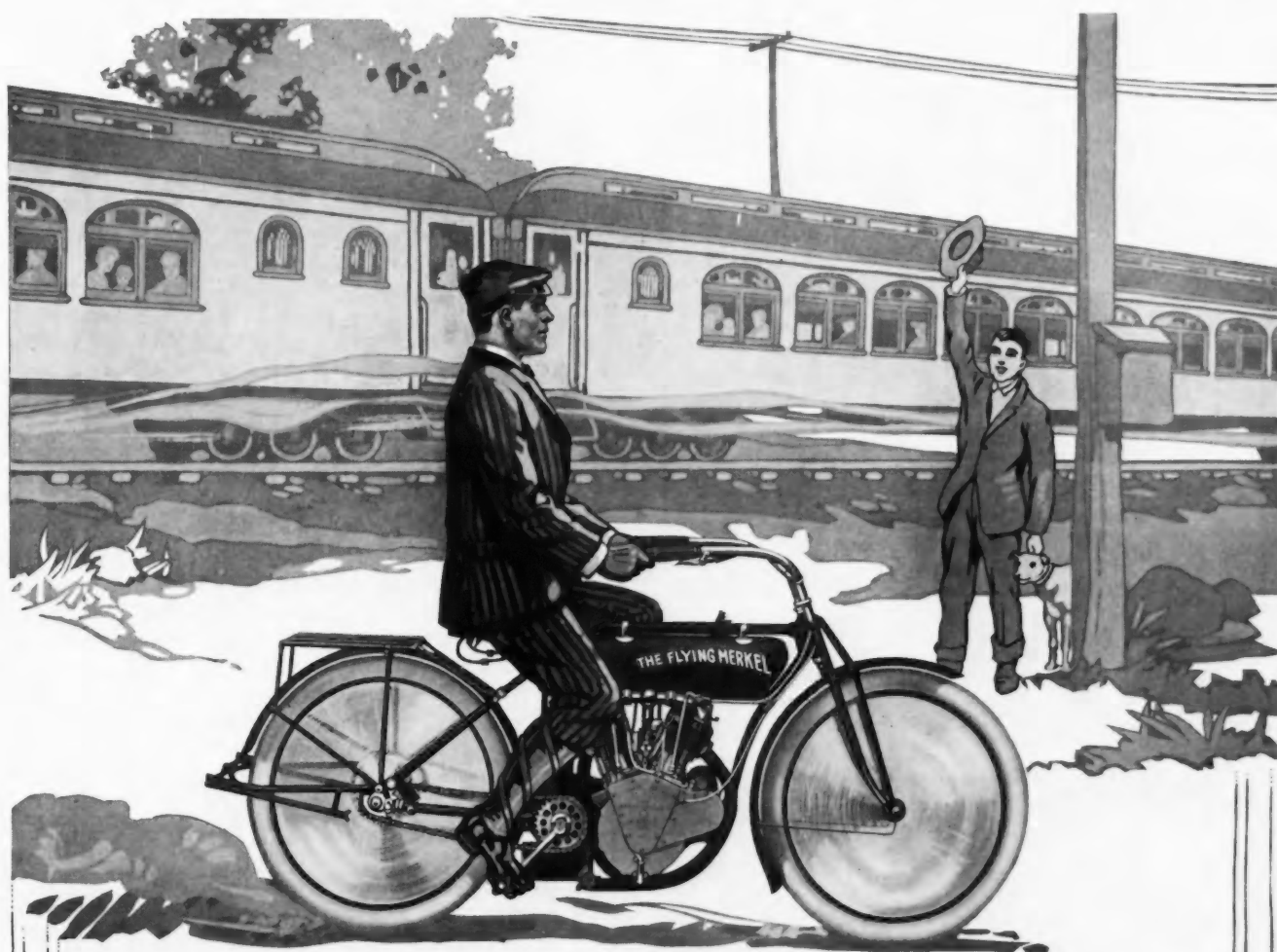


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but inadequately expresses the superior and exclusive features embodied in the motorcycle which has created a sensation wherever motorcycles are known.



for 1913 is the only motorcycle in the world with a Self-Starter and Two-Speed Free Engine Hub—an exclusive feature which at once makes motorcycling more than ever a sport for gentlemen. The original and improved Spring Frame and Spring Fork makes all roads boulevards and the full Hess-Bright ball-bearing motor gives the power plant flexibility not found in any other motorcycle engine. Write for art catalog fully describing the famous prize winner "4-45" and "7-75" "Yellow Jacket" models.

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Motor haulage is a modern method—a quicker, cleaner, cheaper and better way.

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KisselKar Trucks offer a service **unlimited in hours, energy and reliability.**

They are always ready to start and to keep going, and they demand no hay on Sundays and holidays.

Buy a mechanically perfect, staunchly built, tried and proved truck from a concern whose responsibility makes effective its guarantees—buy a Kissel-Kar.

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1500 lb.—1—2—3—4—5—Tons

Rigidly tested steel in all frames—every vital chassis unit Chrome Vanadium treated—heaviest axle forgings—underrated capacities—four speeds—driver's comforts—Kissel long stroke motor—cone leather faced clutch—bodies built to suit.

Inestimable added value acquired in the purchase of a KisselKar Truck is **SERVICE**. Interest in our product, **after as well as before the sale**, has prompted the establishment of the most completely equipped service stations in America. These stations are in every principal city for the sole purpose of taking mechanical care off the owner's hands and seeing to it that maximum duty and reliability are yielded.

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**KisselKar Service Stations
and Agencies at over 200 leading
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Old Dobbin Out of It

"Motor haulage service grows in esteem because it constantly reveals unexpected advantages," says Manager Paul A. Rix, of the KisselKar truck. "At its inception it is analyzed too narrowly. How much will be its first cost in comparison with horse equipment? How much more quickly will it cover the same ground? Upon these and other really surface questions the motor is usually accepted or rejected.

"As a matter of fact there is no more uncertain value than Old Dobbin. He is subjected to a vast number of dangerous diseases. He must be well fed, carefully groomed and cautiously driven if the best is to be obtained from him. On an average he is idle fully fifty per cent of the working hours of the day—resting, eating or indisposed. The more work exacted of him the faster he depreciates.

"The reverse is true of the motor. It doesn't get sick, it doesn't need rest, it doesn't eat or depreciate when idle. Used judiciously, it will take on enough duty additional to that performed by its equine predecessor, to pay back to the owner the purchase price with liberal interest added.

"The element of chance is a prime factor for consideration in computing the relative investment merits of the motor and the horse. The one being mechanical, its efficiency is never completely destroyed unless it be completely demolished. The other is animal, subject to all the unforeseen ills of the flesh—a broken leg for instance wipes out the investment. The one is precise and dependable, the other intermittent and uncertain.

"Seldom, if ever, do you hear of a concern which has once adopted motor haulage going back to horses. On the other hand, it is very rarely that you find an intelligent user of trucks who is not an ardent advocate of the new system."

The Kissel Motor Car Company has collected some astonishing records of the service of KisselKar trucks in various cities. An interesting case is the city of St. Paul on account of its hilly nature and the severity of the winters. In St. Paul there are thirty KisselKar trucks in service ranging in capacity from 1500 pounds to three tons, no four or five ton Kissels having been sold in that city. These thirty trucks sent 145 delivery horses to the discard. They travel an aggregate daily mileage of 1,566, making 3537 deliveries. The most significant feature of the case and the most gratifying from the standpoint of the truck man, is the comparative average of initial investment. The trucks, including several specially designed bodies represent a total cost of \$65,600. The horses replaced, including wagons, harness, blankets, etc., represented a layout of \$62,150. This slight difference in first cost, taken in connection with the ability of the trucks to more than double their present mileage if worked a sufficient number of hours, is food for thought.



The Inside—Now the Outside

You have carefully considered the house inside and out, but have you thought of the proper setting to display that house to the best advantage? How will your work show up when it's finished?

Are there to be fences, gates, screened porches, or windows, tree or window guards, or lawn chairs? The builders ought to concern themselves with these details for on such as these depend the ultimate judgment of his work. Suggestions to the owner are usually followed by prompt sales. Write the Buffalo Wire Works Co, Buffalo, New York, and get their information on the above articles. It might place you in a position to make some extra money when the spring and summer come.

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You can put Utility Wall Board on at any time—no matter what the weather conditions are.

You don't have to wait for it to dry.

You get rid of all the muss and bother of plastering. You get a better wall—and it doesn't cost as much.

UTILITY WALL BOARD

takes the place of both lath and plaster. It is very tough and stiff. It will not shrink nor warp nor crack. When you put it on it is there to stay as long as the house lasts.

You can decorate it in any way that you would decorate a plaster wall or ceiling.

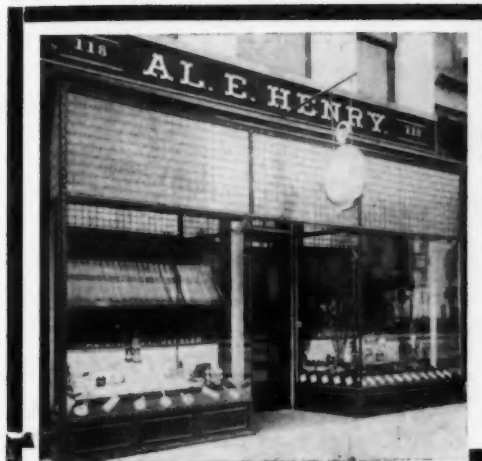
Made in all widths up to 48 inches and in any length required.

We have a free sample that we want to send to every carpenter or builder. Write for yours.

Reliable dealers in building materials are invited to write for dealer proposition.

THE HEPPES COMPANY

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Windows Can't Frost—

A store front is the most important part of any store building. It either attracts or detracts. Mr. Builder establish a reputation for putting in your buildings nothing but the very best.

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are absolutely guaranteed to be so perfectly ventilated that they simply can't frost. Their simplicity and ease of installation is wonderful.

Adaptable to New or Old Buildings

They will outlast the building itself, at all times presenting a neater appearance than any other store front.

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Kees Metal Corners

Every carpenter knows what a particular job it is to cut and bevel the ends of the weather boarding to make a perfect mitre corner. No matter how skillfully the work is done the joints are bound to warp or spread open in time.

By using Kees Metal Building Corners—those who have tried them say that a perfect mitre corner is secured with an immense saving of labor and the corner is stronger, more durable and better looking than if the boards are joined



Residence of Mr. David Craig, Albion, Nebr., Cost \$3,500 Finished with Kees Metal Building Corners

in the usual way. A corner like this will never open. Compared with the older style corner board construction, there is a saving in both time and material. (No corner boards are needed).

The corners are made of galvanized iron, shaped to fit the beveled corner formed by the siding, and pierced with nail holes.

They are treated so that they can be painted the same as wood.

A circular showing a number of handsome buildings on which the corners were used, has just been issued by the F. D. Kees Mfg. Co., Beatrice, Neb.

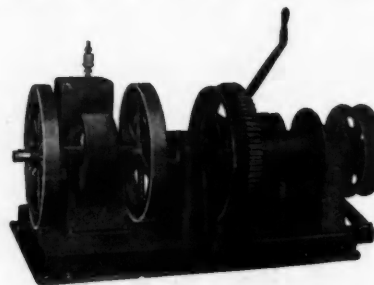
They will be glad to send it to any reader of this paper, together with samples of the corners.



Saving With a Power Hoist

Did you ever get down to brass tacks and figure out how much a power hoist would save you and why? There are a lot of items to consider.

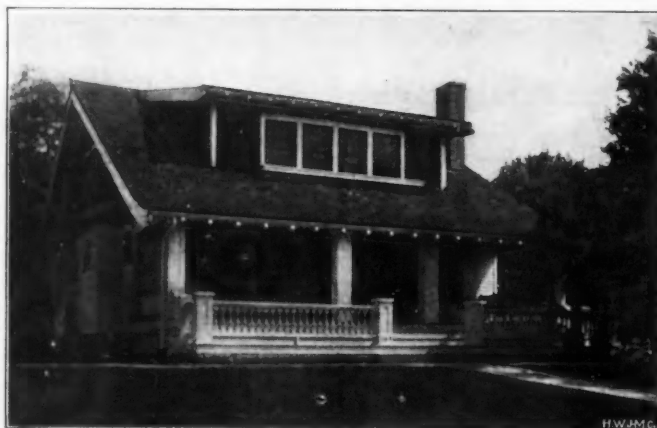
A hoist will save the work of several men as large quantities of material can be placed at one time, saving the labor of men carrying it up ladders or stairs. There's no delay



[Gas Engine Power Hoist

either for when the carpenter wants a board or the mason a brick, he doesn't have to wait until some one brings it to him. The hoist keeps a pile at the workman's elbow. Such a machine will pay for itself in a few months. Just give this a thought and look over Catalog No. 21, of the Bates & Edmonds Motor Co., of Lansing, Mich. They carry a complete line of power hoists and on request will tell you all about them.

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10 Room Bungalow in Cleveland, Ohio, protected from heat and cold with Keystone Hair Insulator

AN ACTUAL TEST

This 10-Room Bungalow was heated during 5 severe winter months at an average monthly cost of \$5.50.

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On the same street a 6-room house not insulated with Keystone averaged \$4.00 per month more for fuel, or \$9.50, during the same period.

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Keystone is made of a thick layer of chemically cleaned cattle hair, Nature's own Insulator, securely stitched between two layers of non-porous building paper. Write nearest Branch for sample and illustrated Catalog.

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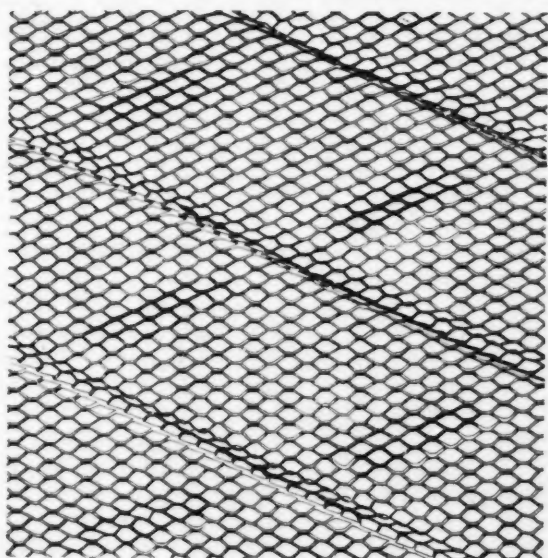
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Makes the lath extremely rigid and does away with furring strips.

Because the ribs are a part of the mesh, not solid steel with expanded metal between, they become completely imbedded, whether the plaster is applied from one or both sides.

"KNO-FUR" has the same plaster gripping mesh that makes "KNO-BURN" effective. It is acid resisting, coated with highest grade carbon paint and cut from U. S. Standard gauge sheets.

IMPORTANT:—We will ship "KNO-FUR" within 24 hours of receipt of your order. The Best is the Quickest.

We are the largest exclusive manufacturers of Metal Lath in the World.

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SEARCH LIGHT
ON THE ROOF PROBLEM

Your Business and Your Profits

in building or repairing depend more on the kind of a roof you give owners than on any other item. A poor roof means trouble from garret to cellar. And it isn't the roofing that gets the blame, but the roofer that sponsored it, who put it on. He can't get any more work from the builder or his friends. Bad news travels faster than good news. The tale of roof disappointments will quickly ripple all over town; undermining the business of the builder involved. The best protection against such calamity is to furnish roofs sure to give permanent satisfaction: roofs economical in first cost and still more economical in the long run—

Genuine Bangor Slate Roofs

They compare favorably with the price of shingles. They offer fire protection. They make even a frame building more fire-proof. Sparks do no harm on slate roofs, but are a frequent fire cause with shingles.

Nowadays people think for themselves. They know shingles are out of date. That's why there are so many patent roofings, which "anybody can lay"—if you believe the makers. But the public knows the snare.

This explains the rapidly growing demand for our slate. Owners are finding it more economical to build, more profitable to sell or rent slate-roofed houses.

It will pay you to point this out to intending builders. They do not always realize the vital importance of the roof. Show them that you are looking out for *their* interest. Then you will get the contract *regardless* of competition.

Besides we have special plans and a special department for helping you get more business. Fill out and mail the attached coupon for further information. Write us now before this slips your busy mind. This is too important for you to forget about.

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FILL OUT. TEAR OFF. MAIL TODAY.

You'll miss profits if you don't. This puts you to no expense or obligation.

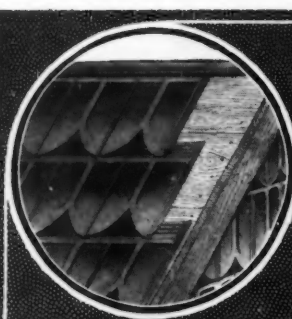
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Storm-Proof Roofs

Wood shingles today are not like the wood shingles of years ago—you know that. In fact, it is almost impossible to get good wood shingles today, for wood brings a better price in other forms.

Cortright Metal Shingles

not only make up for the shortage of wood shingles; they are even better than the *best* wood shingles, and here's why:

Cortright Metal Shingles won't rot, split, curl or burn; require less painting and *no* repairs; they are lighter and keep out the hardest driving rain or sifting snow.

They're quicker to lay than wood shingles—"last as long as the building, and never need repairs."

Get our free book "Concerning That Roof" today. A post-card will do.

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A New Lufkin Rule

Everyone having use for a rule graduated down to 64ths of an inch knows the difficulty of obtaining accurate measurements in laying out work, knows how impossible it is to get the reading instantly, knows of the eyestrain attendant upon reading such graduations repeatedly; all caused by the fineness of the lines, and the closeness of the lines, one to another, necessary to get 64 lines in an inch. Under the eye the lines have a tendency to "run together." Also because the lines are so close together it is impossible to number each one, and therefore, after arriving at the measurement, it is necessary to refer back to the last figure and count up the 64ths. It is evident that if the same measurement could be arrived at with the same degree of accuracy with a rule graduated down not finer than say 16 lines to the inch, these difficulties would be overcome.

Both of these things are accomplished in the "Allen" Improved Scale—an article just put on the market by the Lufkin Rule Company. The "Allen" Scale is a patented article, and embodies an absolutely new idea in the marking of a machinist's scale.

As any even number of 64ths has an equivalent in 32nds, and possibly in 16ths, one side of this rule is graduated in 32nds and 16ths, and this takes care of all of the even 64ths.

The other side of the rule embodies the new idea. It takes care of all the odd 64ths. The first graduation mark on one edge of this side is 1/64 inch from the end of the rule, and is numbered "1"; the next mark on that edge is 5/64 inch from end of rule, and is numbered 5; the next 9; the next 13, etc., up to the first inch mark, and then repeated in each inch. Here there is a jump each time of 4/64ths, and between the 1/64 inch and 5/64 inch points would come one odd 64th, i.e., the 3/64 inch mark; between 5 and 9, the 7/64 inch mark, etc. All of these odd 64ths appear on the other edge of this side of the rule; that is the first graduation mark there, is 3/64 inch from end of rule and is numbered "3"; the next is 7/64 inch, and numbered "7", etc., in each inch.

Thus the object is accomplished; all the odd 64ths are here given, and yet there are only 16 lines to the inch. This makes it possible to number each graduation mark, and by making each second graduation mark slightly longer than the one before and after it, the figures can be put on in two rows, and this allows room enough to make them large enough to be easily read. The rule is 3/4 inch wide, and is furnished in the two thicknesses commonly known as the tempered and the semi-flexible. It is made in various lengths. The greatest demand no doubt will be for the 6 inch length.

The Lufkin Rule Company manufacture rules and measuring tapes of every description, being the largest manufacturers in this line. Their factories are located at Saginaw, Mich., and Windsor, Canada; branch offices and warehouses at New York City, and London, England.



Edwards Mfg. Co. Increase Holdings

The Edwards Mfg. Co., of Cincinnati, Ohio, have taken over the plant of the Cellular Metal Co., of that city. This deal which includes the real estate, equipment and good will of the old corporation will place Cincinnati in the front ranks of the fire-proofing industries of this country. The consideration under which the sale was made could not be learned.

It is planned to equip the new plant with special machinery which will eventually give employment to 200 men. The company will continue to manufacture the fire-proofing material on which they have built a fine reputation. The officers of the Edwards Mfg. Co. have our best wishes in their new venture.

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New H. W. Johns-Manville Co. Plant

The completion of the new plant of the H. W. Johns-Manville Company, at Manville, N. J., marks another important chapter in the history of this enterprising concern.

Beginning with the consolidation of the H. W. Johns Mfg. Company and the Manville Covering Company, in 1901, the H. W. Johns-Manville Company has grown by leaps and bounds until today it ranks as the largest concern in the world engaged in the manufacture of asbestos and magnesia products.

They have branch houses in practically every city of prominence in the United States and Canada, and representatives in almost all foreign countries. Their manufacturing plants



H. W. Johns-Manville Co.'s new plant at Manville, New Jersey, floor space 1,000,000 square feet. Largest Asbestos Plant in the World

are located in Brooklyn, N. Y., Milwaukee, Wis., West Milwaukee, Wis., Hartford, Conn., Nashua, N. H., Lockport, N. Y., Jersey City, N. J., and an asphalt refinery at South

Amboy, N. J. Their asbestos mines are at Danville, Province of Quebec, Canada.

The new Manville plant consists of nine buildings, which, together with their products, are classified as follows: A—Textile and Packing Department. B—Rubber plant; Electrical Specialties and Printing Department. C—Pipe Coverings. D—Paper Mill. E—Magnesia. F—Roofing. G—Mastic and Waterproofing. H—Roofing Coatings. Power Plant and Pump House.

Each building has an average length of 1,000 feet, and is a separate factory in itself capable of being operated as an independent unit without relation to the other buildings in the group. The total combined floor area of all the buildings is about 1,000,000 square feet.

About 3,000 men will be employed at this new plant, making a total of about 7,000 who are now employed by this Company.

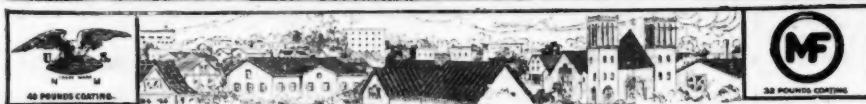
Annual Salesmen's Conventions Held

Following a long established custom, the 600 or more salesmen, as well as the Department Managers, of the H. W. Johns-Manville Co., assembled in annual convention on various dates from January 2nd to February 8th at Milwaukee, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Chicago, St. Louis, New Orleans, San Francisco, and Toronto, to learn more about the products which they sell.

One by one about three hundred products of this concern, such as J-M asbestos roofing, shingles, packings, pipe coverings, brake linings, conduit, waterproofing materials, mastic, cold storage insulation, electrical supplies, etc., were taken up and their advantages over competitive products pointed out to the salesmen by specialists in each line.

A week's time was devoted to each of these conventions, with a banquet at the close as a fitting ending.

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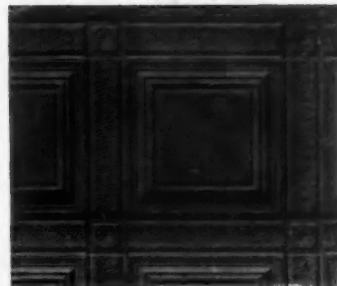
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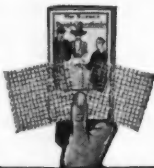
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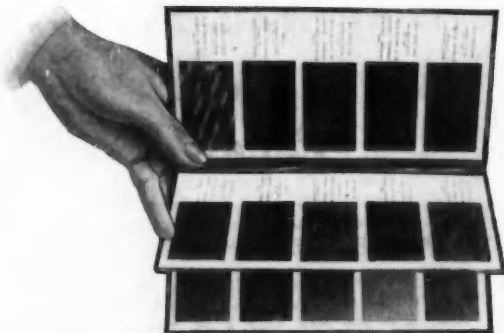
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Portfolio of Wood Finishes

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The inexpensive woods such as pine, cypress, red-gum, birch, etc., are being used more and more for interior woodwork and if well finished these woods give entire satisfaction, as all of these woods have a very beautiful grain and make just as artistic and attractive a finish as the more expensive woods.

I have had over twenty-five years' experience in wood finishing and speak with some authority on this subject. This

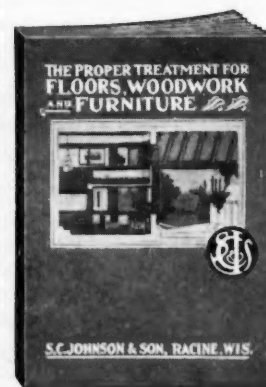
article applies to both soft and hard woodwork as the treatment is practically identical.

NATURAL FINISH. Where wood is to be finished in its *natural color*, apply a coat of Natural Paste Wood Filler, first. This will fill the pores and grain of the wood giving a hard, even surface upon which to apply the finish. Never use a liquid filler. This is usually nothing but a cheap grade of varnish which does not fill the pores of the wood at all but remains on the surface and shows every mar and scratch. For the *inexpensive natural finish* of soft wood, apply a coat of Johnson's Under-Lac directly upon the wood. This will give the best one coat finish obtainable. Prepared Wax or Flat Wood Finish may be applied over the Under-Lac if desired.

GOLDEN OAK FINISH. For Golden Oak, Dark Oak, and Antwerp Oak effects a colored Paste Wood Filler should be used. Be sure to let the filler dry thoroughly and the woodwork is then ready for the finish. This matter will be taken up later.

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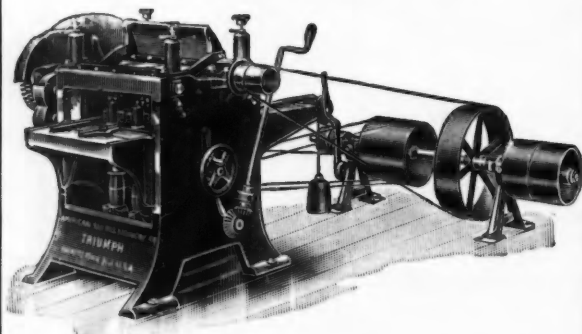
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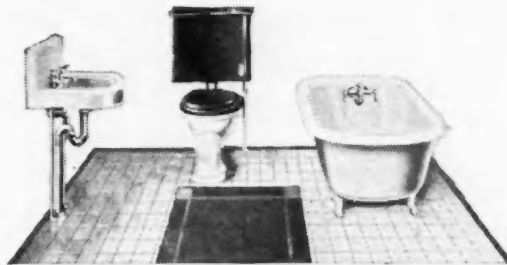
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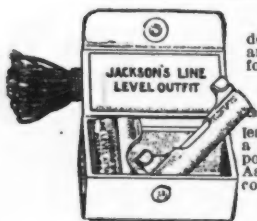
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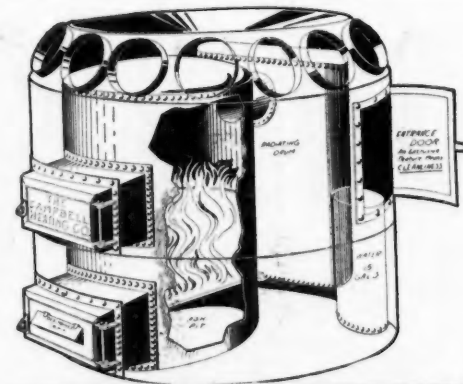
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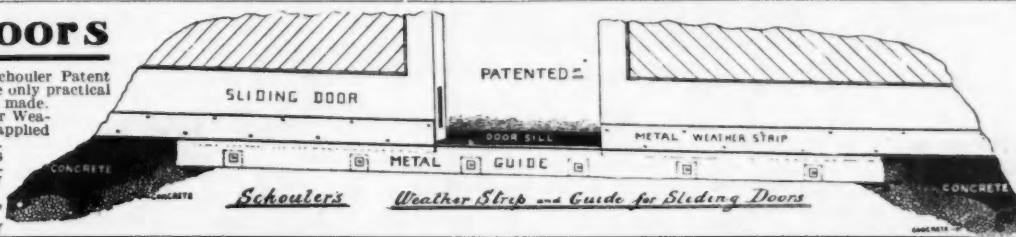
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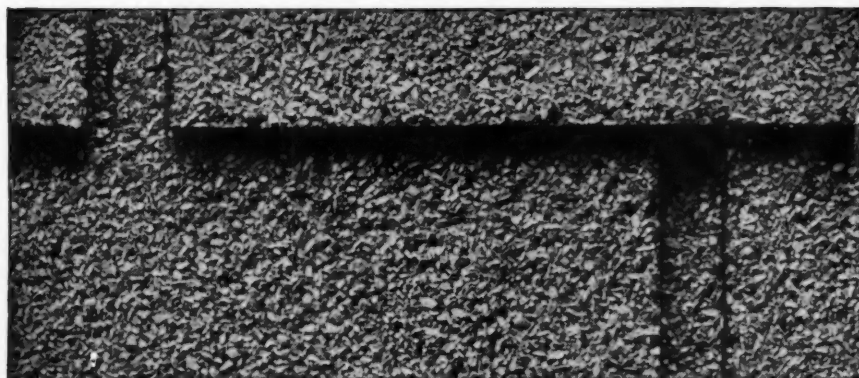


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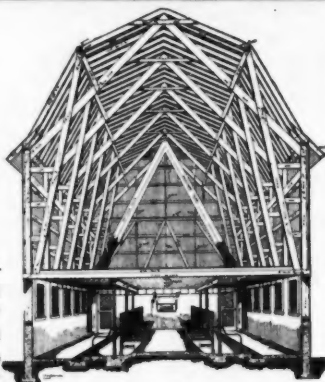
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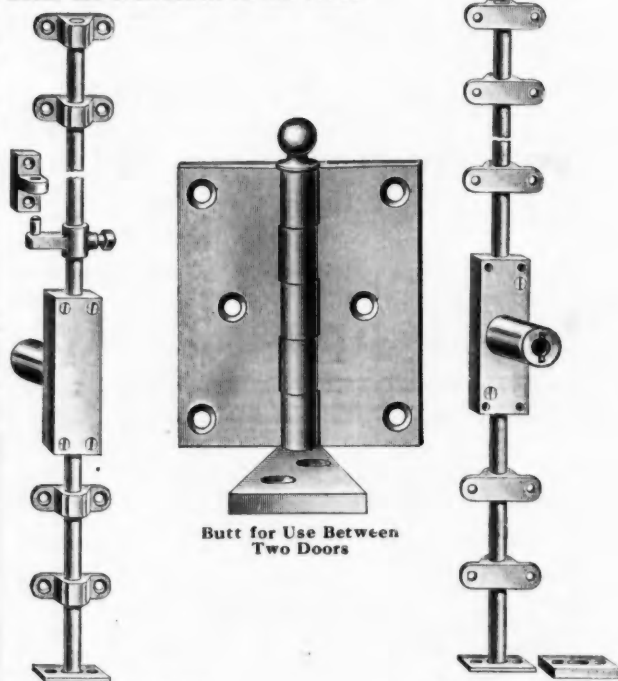
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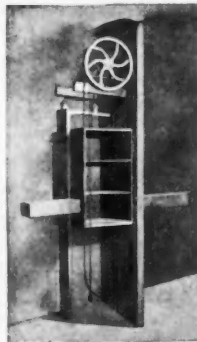


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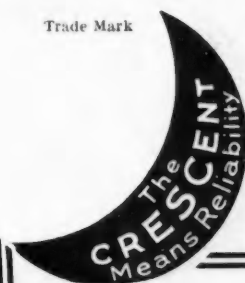
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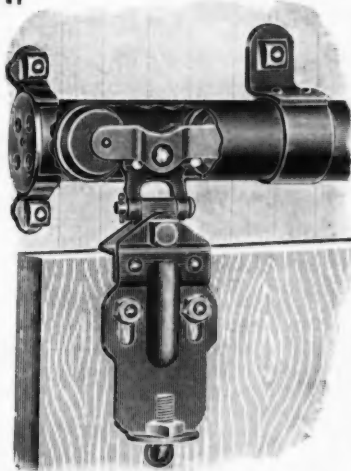
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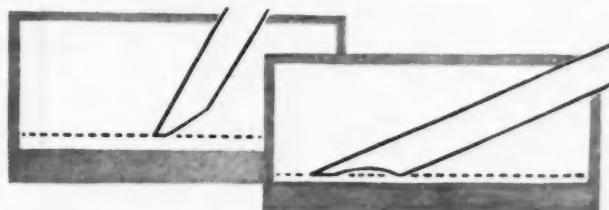
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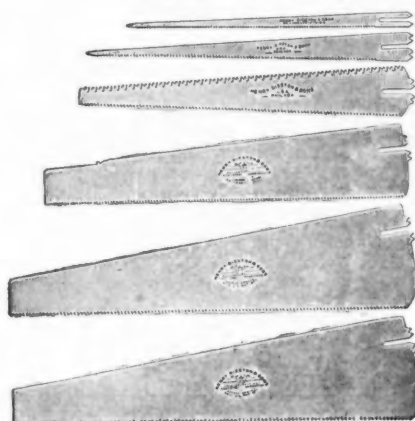
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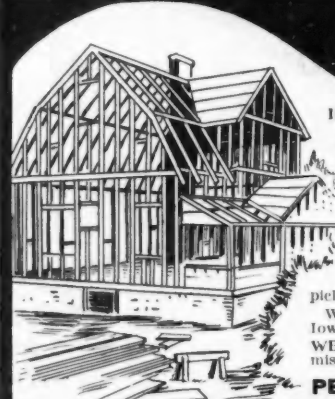
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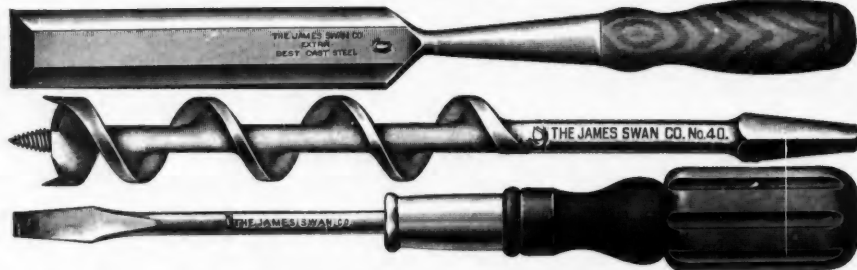
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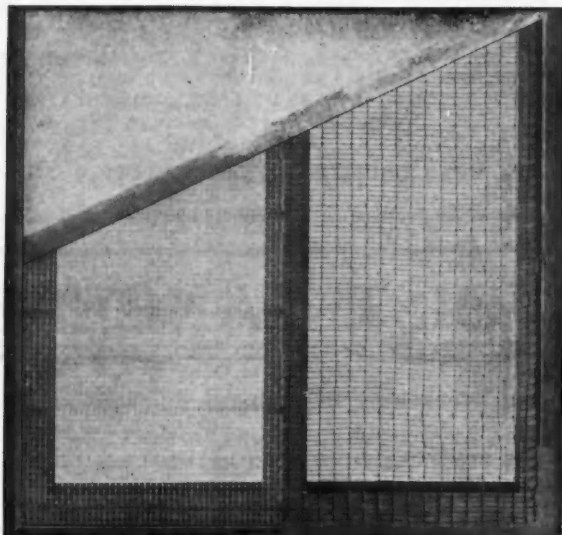
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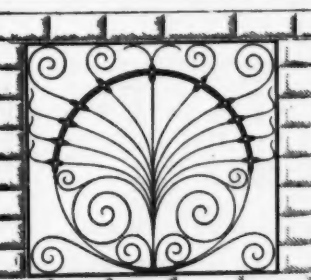
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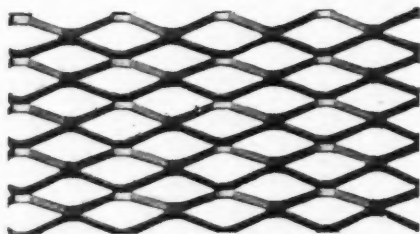
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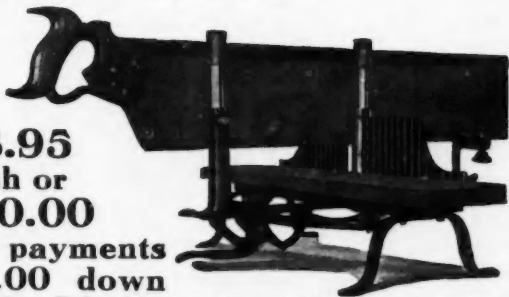
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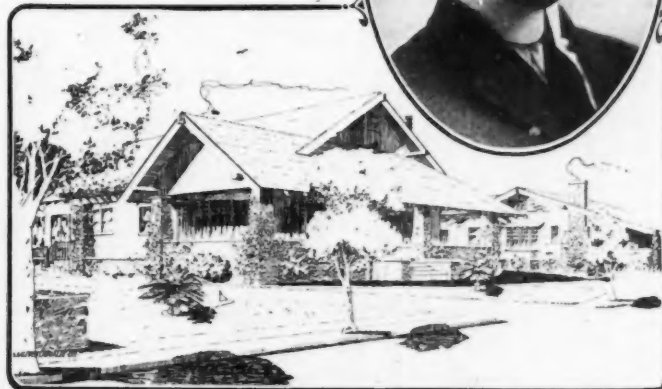
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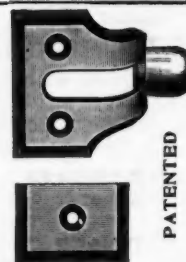
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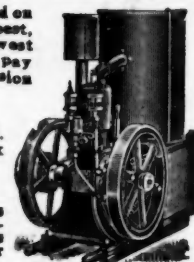
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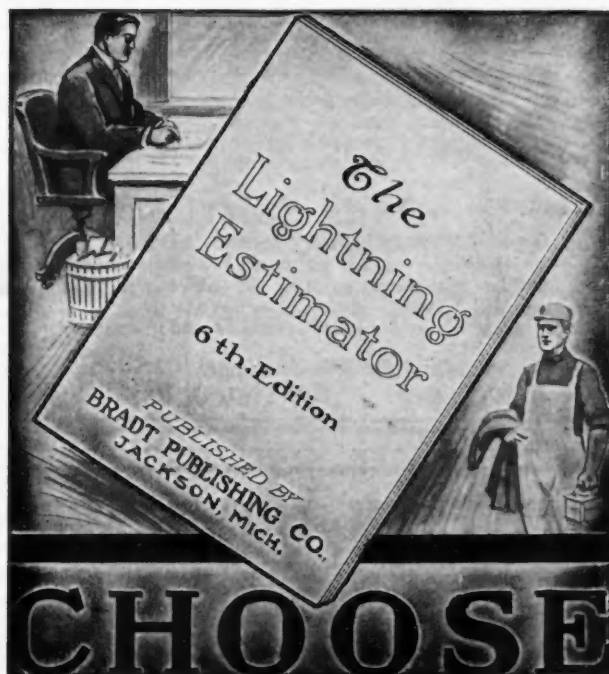
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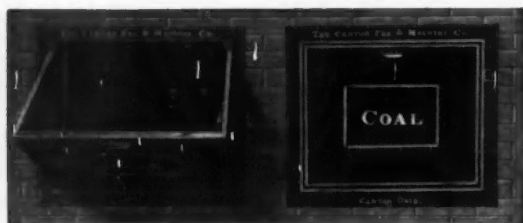
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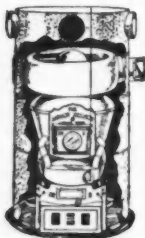
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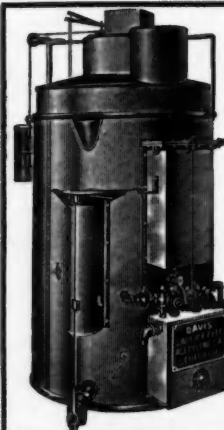
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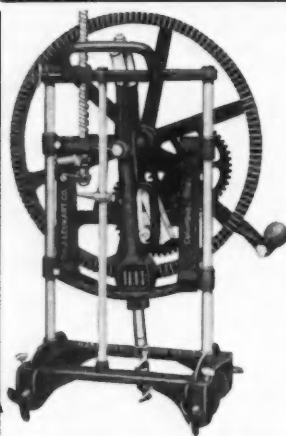


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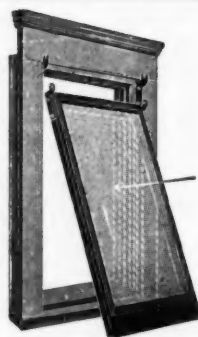
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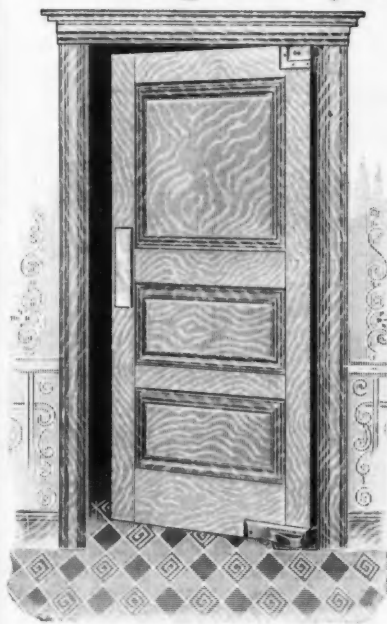
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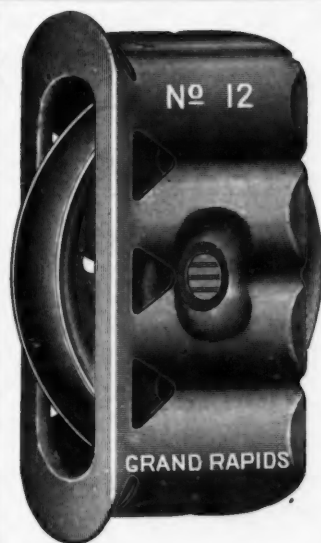
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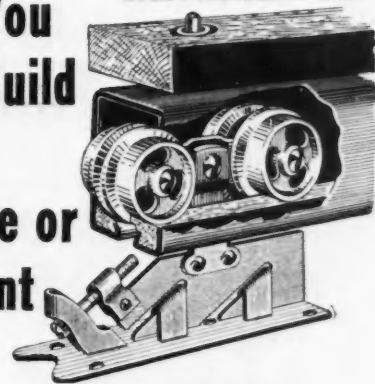


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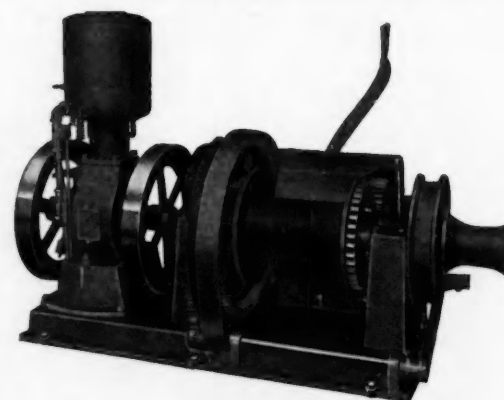
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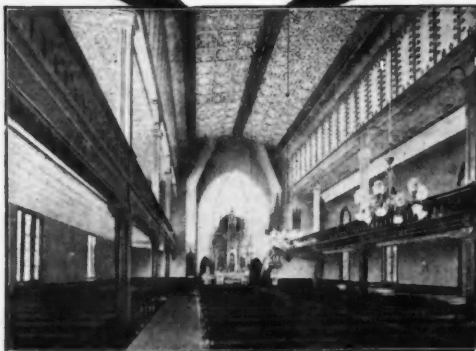
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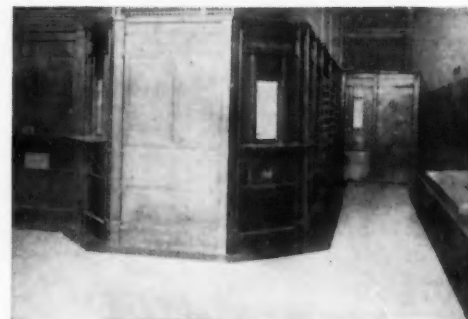
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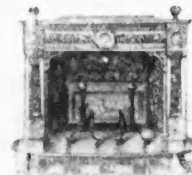
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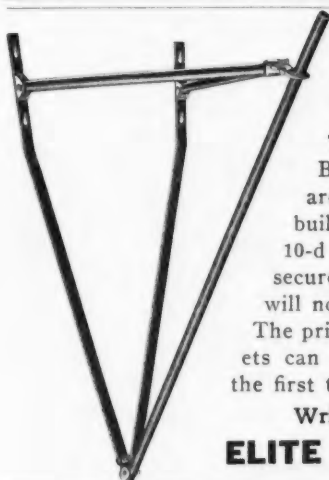
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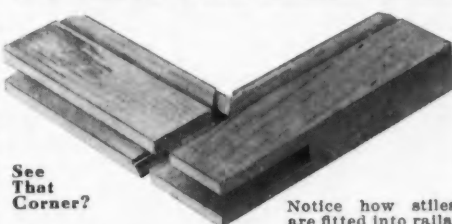
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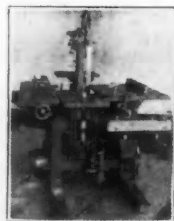
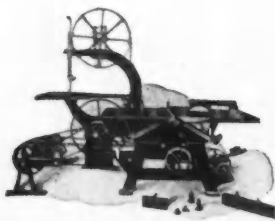
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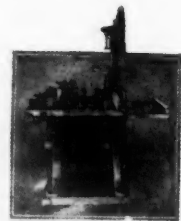
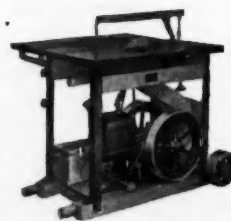
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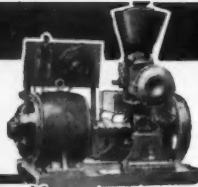
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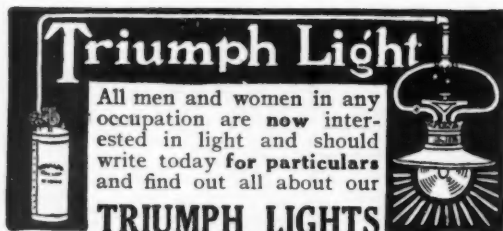
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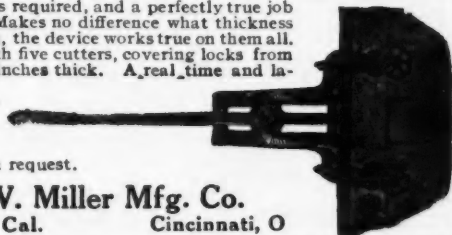


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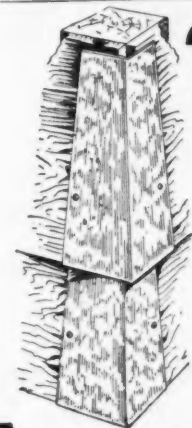


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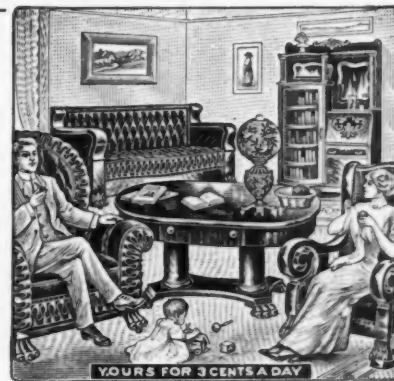
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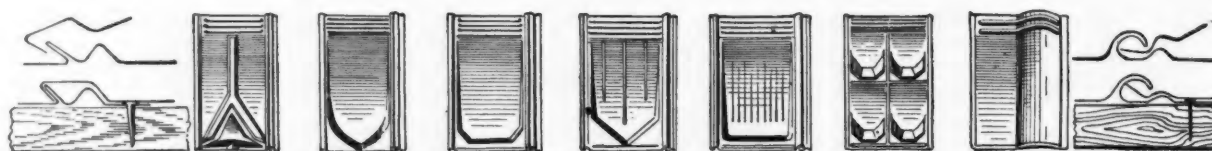
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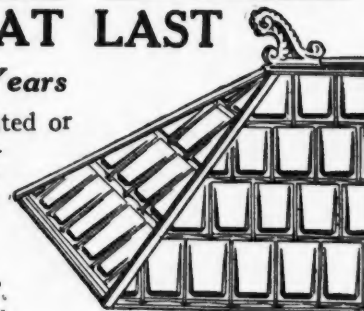
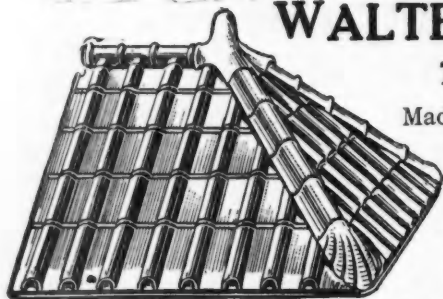
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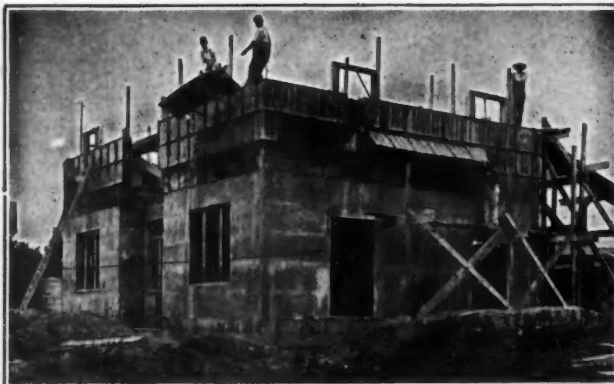
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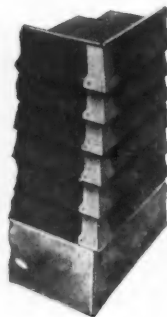
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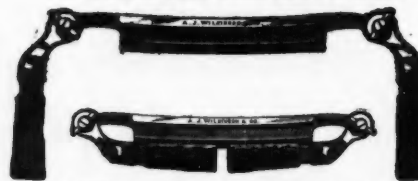
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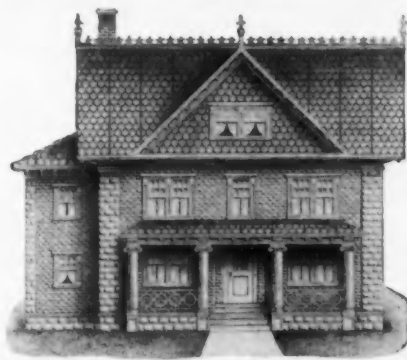
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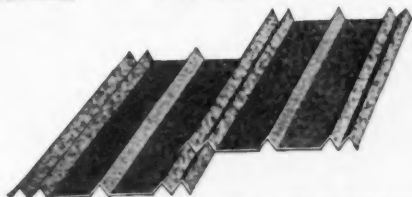
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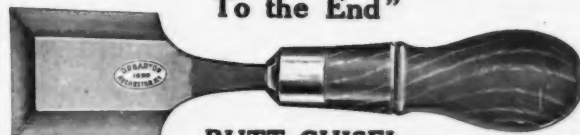
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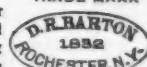
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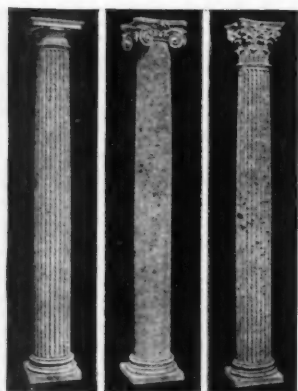
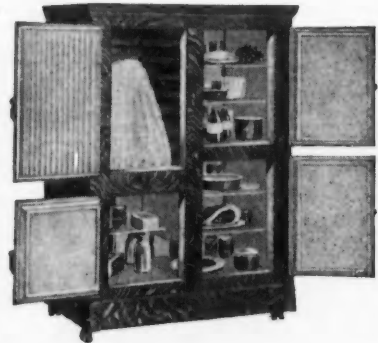
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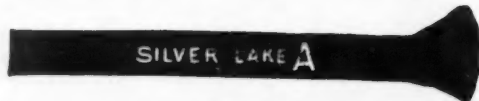


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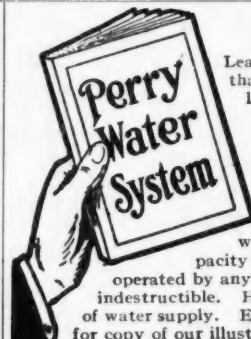
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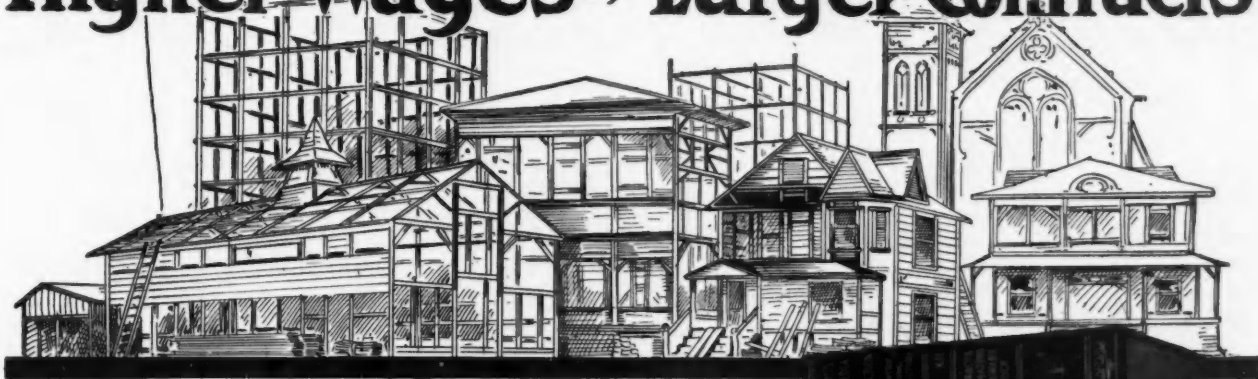
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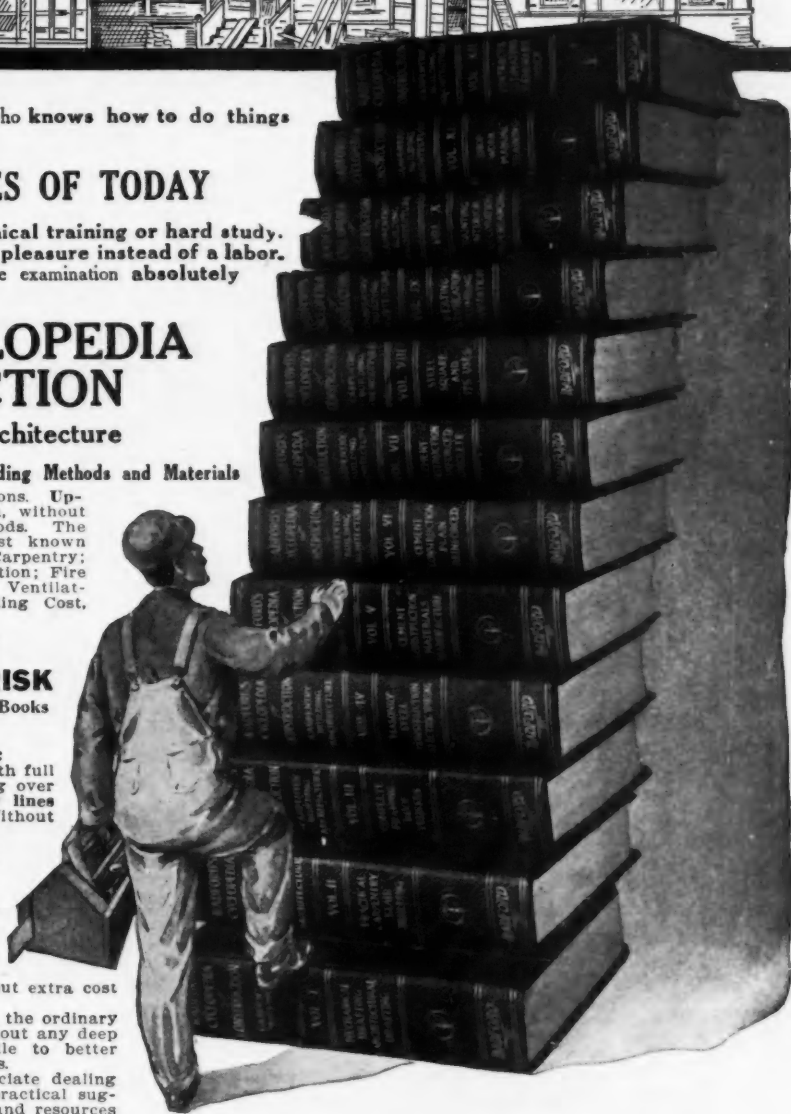
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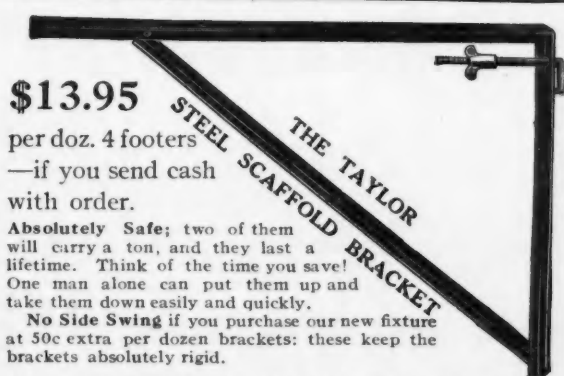
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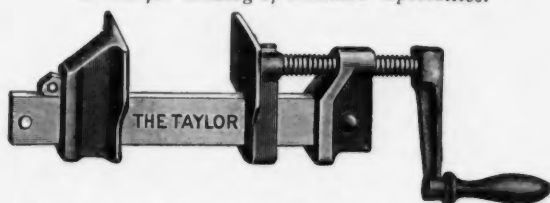
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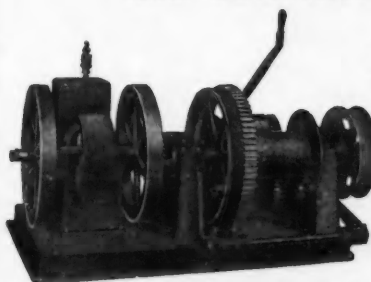
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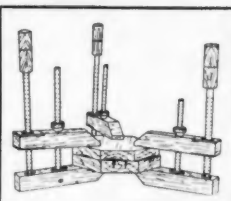
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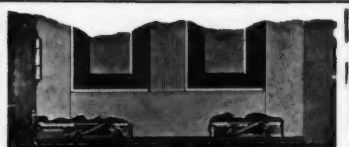
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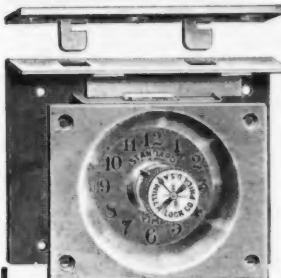
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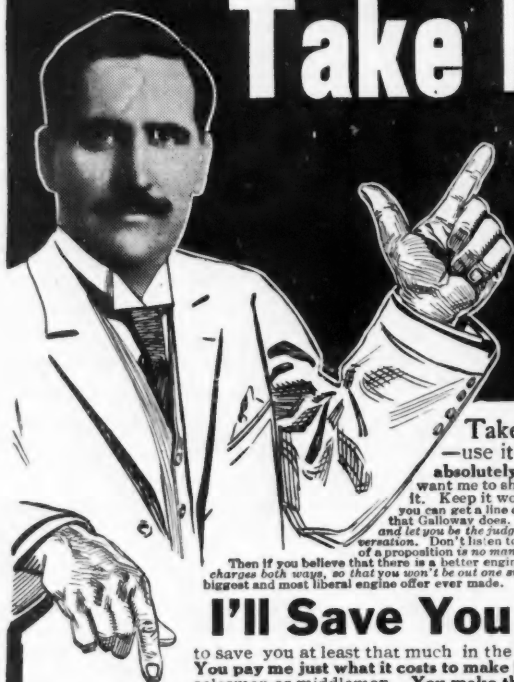
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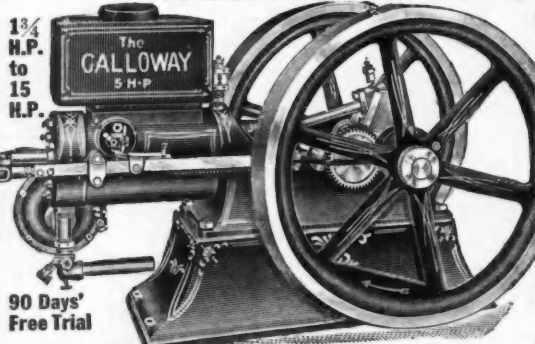


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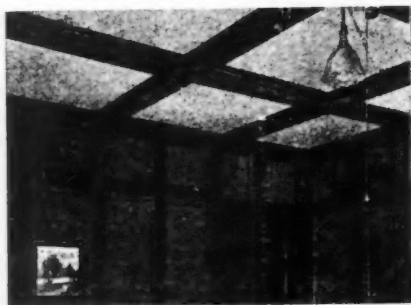
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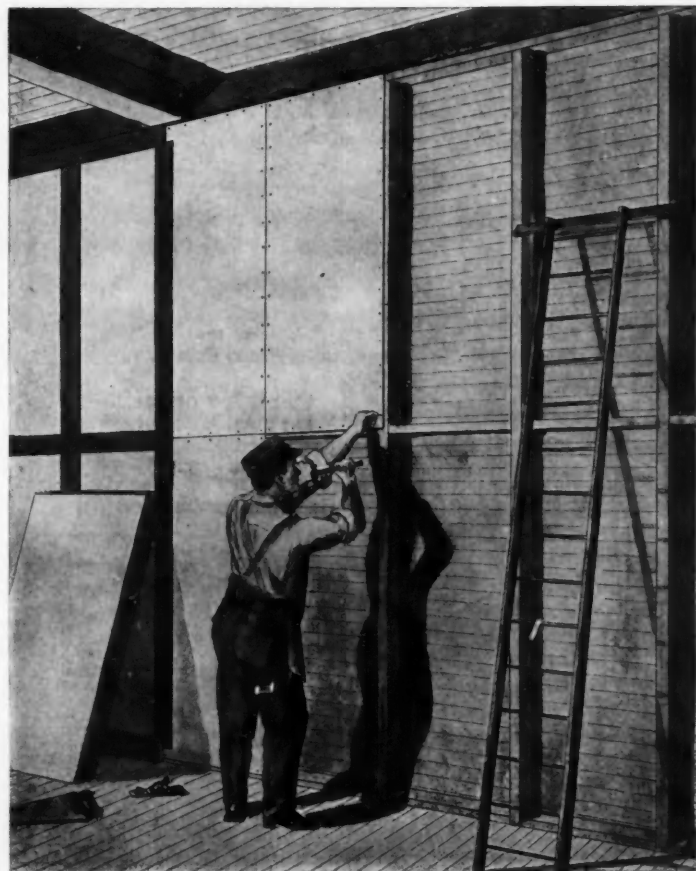
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