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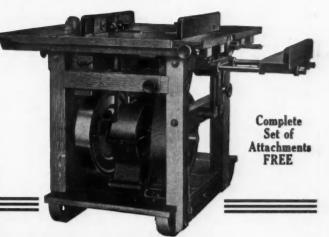
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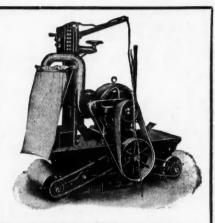
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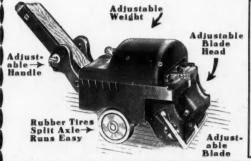
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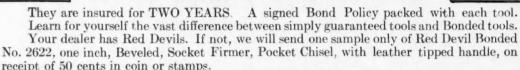
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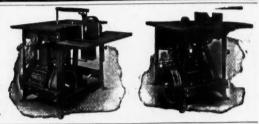




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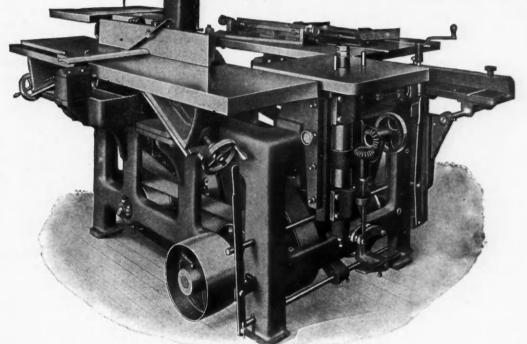
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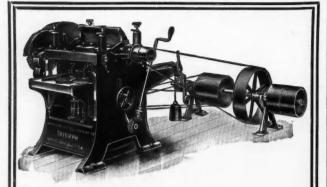


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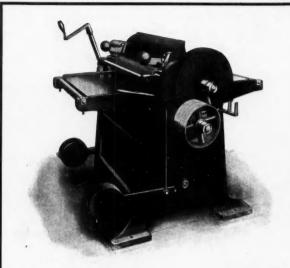
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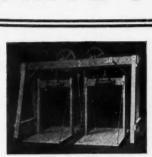
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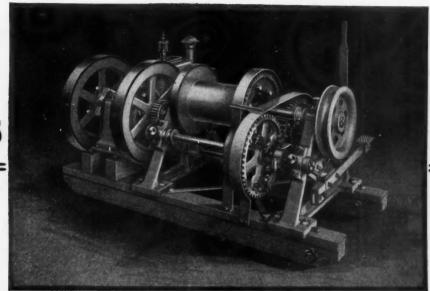


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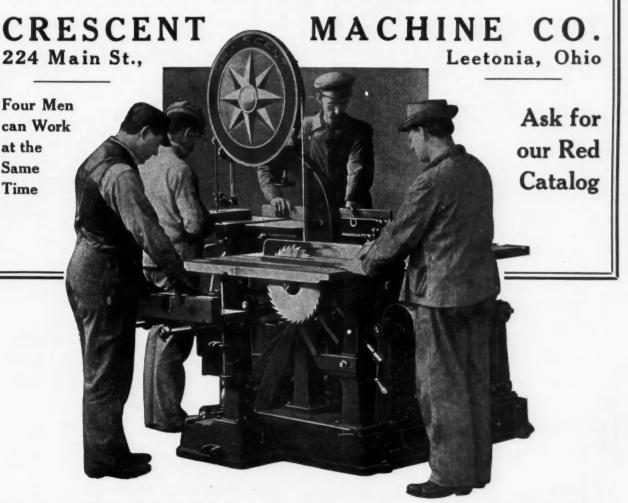
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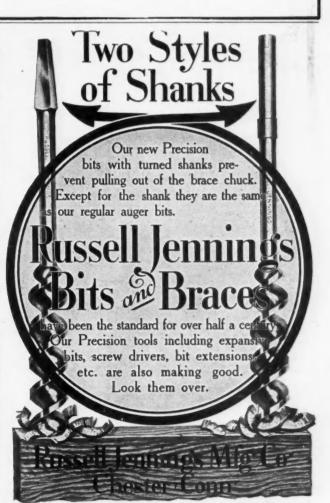
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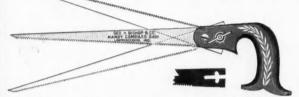


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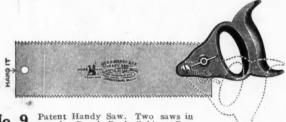
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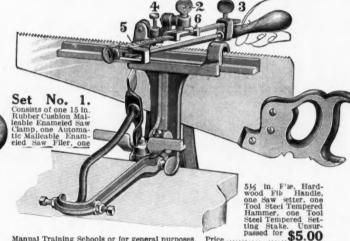
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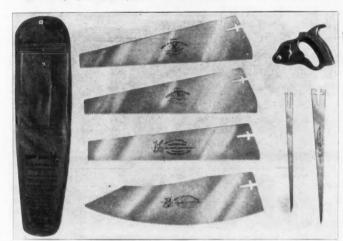
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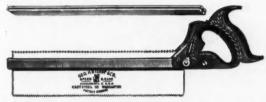


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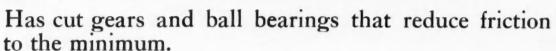
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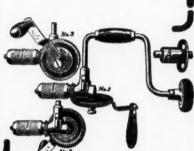
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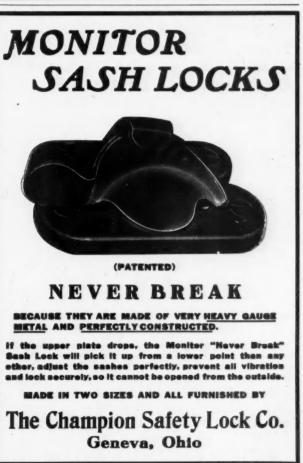


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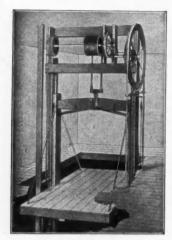
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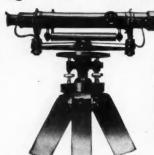
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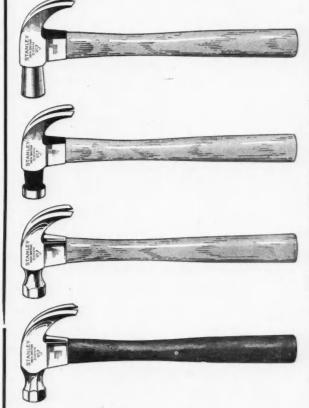


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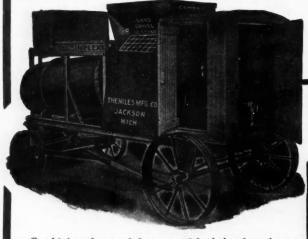
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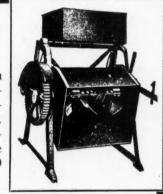
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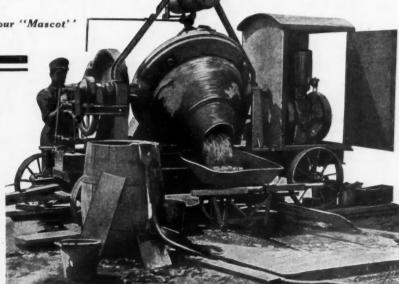
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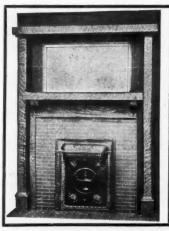
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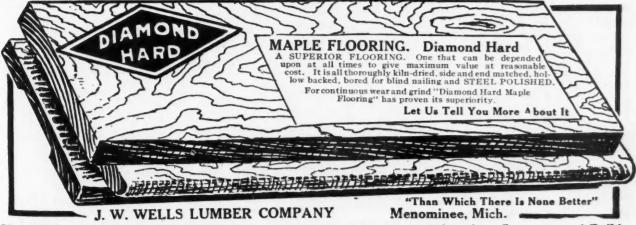
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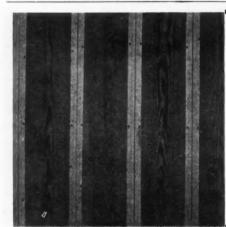
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E have received a letter from one of our subscribers which puts into the form of a direct request a matter which we have long wished to take

up in these pages, namely: Bookkeeping and Simple Cost Accounting Systems, suited specially to the needs of carpenters and builders and small construction companies.

Mr. George E. Baxandall, Builder and Contractor, of Calgary, Alberta, writes as follows:

"I believe there are a great number of AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER readers who are not in business on such a large scale that they can afford to keep a large office staff and who have spent most of their lives in the building trade and not in an office. I believe if you would give us a clear, concise method of bookkeeping as needed by the building trade, it would help a great many. It should be a system that doesn't require too many books. A small contractor shouldn't be obliged to sit up too late at night working over them; just enough to guarantee accuracy."

We hope our readers who have made a special study of these matters will come forward with their experiences and suggestions. We hope to hear from a good many concerning this, and desire to arrange to present this subject thoroughly.

### We Will Be Very Glad To

FIRST RATE suggestion comes from Saska-1 toon, Saskatchewan. One of our subscribers writes:

"Suppose I am about to make a start with a wood-

working shop and want to put in some woodworking machinery, gas engine, etc. I go through your advertising pages and pick out a number of advertisers to write to about these items. Now, I may overlook some of the best ones, so here is my suggestion:

"Just insert a notice in the magazine, stating that if any reader wants to get into communication with all the representative manufacturers in any line, the publishers of the American Carpenter and Builder will forward his name to all of those whom they know to be reliable."

We are very glad to do this. In fact, we are rendering such service to our subscribers continually. It saves their time and postage, and puts them in touch with the right people. It doesn't matter what the item is you may want to investigate, we will be glad to notify our dependable concerns by personal mail that you are in the market.

Don't hesitate to send us your inquiries. We are especially glad to be of service in this way.



# It Pays to Advertize By H. J. Blacklidge

I N June, two young men went into partnership. They got out cards bearing something like this:

"Black and Hayleger"

## CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS

#### TRY US

They had a couple of signs made, bearing the same legend and with "Try Us" in big, black letters. They made it their slogan. In signing checks they signed, "Black and Hayleger, Try Us." On the top of each of their tool chests were the words, "TRY US." In a month it was the joke of the town. In two months it had grown past the freak stage. In four months it was being recognized as their own private property. And in a short time more, it began to be respected and—OBEYED. It had begun to pull.

One day a calendar drummer came around. Black wanted to order a hundred at once. Hayleger would not hear to it. It was a waste of money. People would hang them up and never think of looking at the ad. Others would go and cut the ad. off. And so on, through the whole list of pessimistic objections.

Finally, however, he gave in to the drummer and his partner and they ordered a hundred. New Year's came on Saturday. Thursday





"The Compliments of the Season"

evening they sat up until eleven-thirty, making up a list. On New Year's morning, dressed in their Sunday best, they mounted their wheels and proceeded to call on each and every person for whom they had done work in the last six months, and deliver personally to each, a calendar, and wishing them a happy and prosperous year. Then they went to a dozen or more prospective builders. Next, the hardware, paint, lumber and plumbing dealers, handing out calendars and good wishes to all. Next, they went together over to the only other contractor in the little town and offered him one. He accepted it rather gingerly. They then told him, if he ever got in a pinch to call on them and they would be glad to help him out, and wished him the compliments of the season.

It was a little after five o'clock when they finished. But they were happy and satisfied that they had done a good turn. Anyway, they felt better for having had a decidedly pleasant holiday.

The next day, a man who they had no idea was intending to build, brought down a set of plans and requested them to figure on them. They did so, and turned in a figure the same day. The next day, he gave them the contract. When the house was finished and he was making the final payment, he asked if they had any inkling of why he had come to them in the first place. They told him they had not, and had often wondered about it. "Well," he said, "I am a business man in San Francisco, and I like business methods. When I came up here to visit my niece, last summer, you were just starting your 'TRY US' slogan. So I tried you. You remember how I went down one day and told you the back gate was broken and the cow had gotten out into the streets? And you dropped your work and came right up. It was only a half-hour's work. Then, later, you did a half-day's work for my niece while I was here. Then came the holidays. You took round your calendars and gave my niece one. Also you left one with her for me. I thought

that was mighty nice, when you had done only a few hours' work for us. Yet you remembered us. That was why you got the house." a list.

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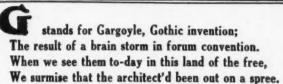
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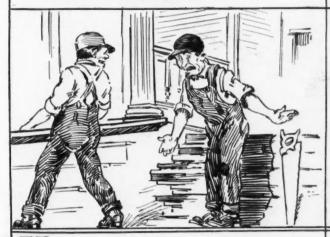
stands for Headroom, - the lack of which means Sore heads and sore owners and some soulful scenes. When building your stairways for homes or success, Leave plenty of headroom; don't do it by guess.



stands for Ionic, one order of four; Brought down from the Greeks and the Romans of yore. Nowadays if a draftsman takes a mite too much "tonic", The result is invariably labeled "lonic".



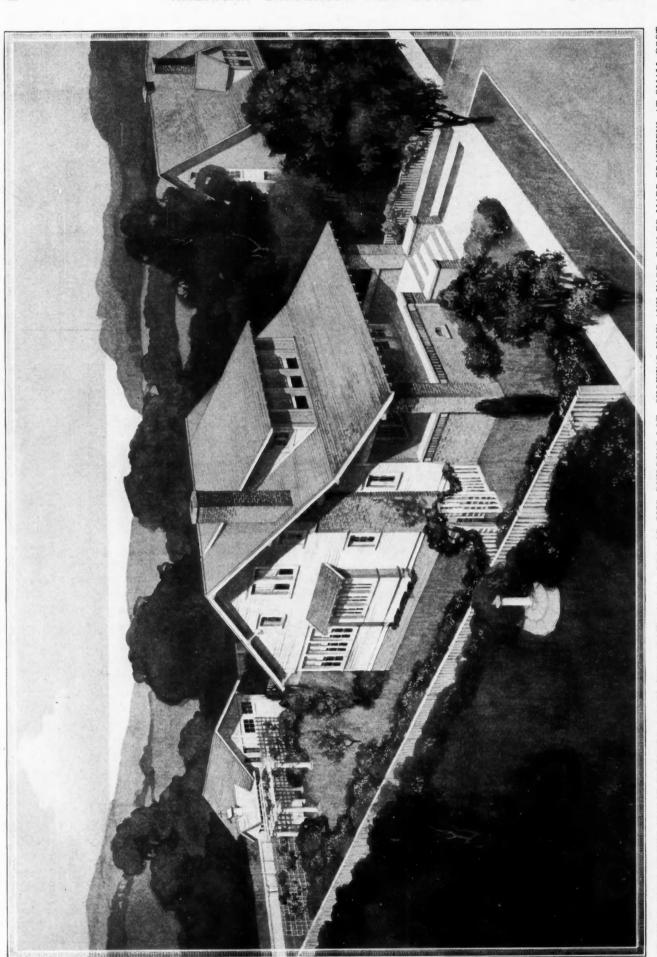
stands for Journal, the wise builder reads; The "A. C. & B" is the one that he needs. From cover to cover it's fall to the brim, Of the help that will keep the "mazoom" rolling in.



stands for Knocker, the man who stands still; While others progress on the road up life's hill. If his time spent in knocking were given to labor, He'd be wealthy, respected—a mighty fine neighbor.



stands for Labor, the greatest equation In the every-day plan and specification. Good labor comes high, but you'd better employ it. In the end it's far cheaper and your clients enjoy it.



GENERAL VIEW OF THE "HOME BUILDER" MODEL BUNGALOW ON AN AVERAGE SIZE BUILDING LOT-SHOWING HOW ANY YARD CAN BE MADE BEAUTIFUL AT SMALL COST Complete Working Plans of This Bungalow are Given on Pages 46 to 50; Planting Directions are on Pages 42 and 43



# "HOME BUILDER" MODEL BUNGALOW





# Model Seven Room Home for \$3,757.20

Complete Set of Architects' Plans and Specifications for Building, Also Detailed Directions for Beautifying the "Home Builder" Model Bungalow as Illustrated on Opposite Page

N attractive home with all modern conveniences, of average size, and at a cost within reach," were the directions given our architects for this model "Home Builder" bungalow.

They have designed a seven-room, story-and-a-half bungalow, measuring 28 feet in width. It goes nicely on a 50-foot building lot, with plenty of room for a driveway along one side, and 14 feet of green grass, shrubbery, and sunshine along the other.

Complete plans of this model little dwelling are presented on pages 46 to 50; and a full set of building specifications is given. The drawings are complete in every way, and the floor plans are of large enough scale so that workmen can build directly from them, if desired.

This bungalow embodies all desirable features. The parlor, or living room, and the dining room are large and extremely well lighted. Sun parlor with red tile floor opens off the dining room. The kitchen is just the right size and has openings on two sides, insuring coolness and good air. The pantry is large enough for use, is away by itself where it can be kept cool, and gives space for refrigerator with outside icing door. There is a lavatory on the main floor; also clothes chute from kitchen to basement.

On the second floor are three extra large bedrooms, each one with a lighted and ventilated clothes closet. All the way through, this dwelling is upto-date as to windows—the amount of light and ventilation secured. In both front and rear bedrooms there are windows on three sides. This will make these rooms comfortable in hot weather even though they are up under the roof with very little attic space above.

A glance at the first floor plan on page 43, and at the second floor plan on page 44, will show all of these desirable features. There is a built-in case of drawers for linen in the upper hall, and an extra wardrobe in the front bedroom.

Figuring this bungalow at 15c per cubic foot, a conservative figure, the total cost of construction is \$3,757.20. For this price one ought to be able to build as called for in the specifications, using oak floor and trim for the important rooms downstairs, and maple floors and birch trim upstairs. Cellar gives laundry, cold room, etc.

# **Specifications**

Of Labor and Material Required in the Erection and Completion of the "Home Builder" Model Bungalow Shown on Opposite Page; Plans on Pages 46 to 50

ESTABLISHED GRADE: The grade line shown on the drawing is the line to which the lot is to be graded next to the exterior of the buildings, after the completion of the building.

Excavate to the full depth required and at least 8 inches wider all around than shown on the plan. All foundation walls and porch piers must in every case run down to a solid bearing and at least 6 inches below frost from finished grade line,

CARE OF TOP SOIL: All black top soil must be placed separately from the remaining earth, for the use of final grading.

Fill in up to the established grade line under all porches, and up to foundation walls, sloping the earth away from building.

FOOTINGS AND FOUNDATIONS: All footings under all main walls, chimneys and piers, and 12-inch foundation walls up to grade, to be of concrete, composed of one part Portland cement, three parts sand and four parts crushed stone.



A graceful trellis arch that would beautify and make interesting any modest garden. Such trellises come ready made at very reasonable prices, or any carpenter or the home owner himself, if handy with tools, can easily make one. The concrete contractor is to thoroughly waterproof both concrete basement floor and side walls by means of an approved method as agreed upon with the owner.

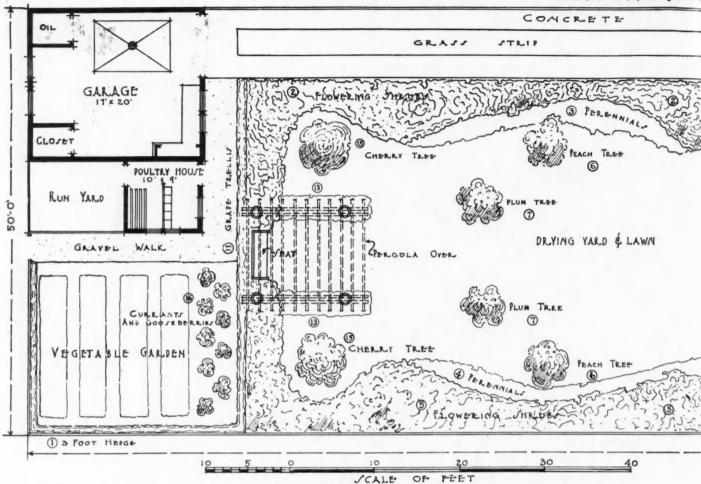
All concrete must be used as soon as mixed, and should any concrete start to set before it is in its place the same must not be used in any way. All concrete walls and piers must be run up, true, plumb, square and level and must be complete and perfect in every respect.

BRICK WORK: All brick used about the buildings and in chimneys, unless otherwise specified, to be the best hard burned local market brick, laid wet if laid in warm, dry weather, and dry if in cold weather. All brick to be laid in fresh lime and sharp sand mortar. Four-inch brick arch laid in front of chimney fireplace and plastered smooth to receive tile. All smoke flues to be lined from bottom to above roof with best fire clay flue lining.

All exposed brick to be face brick as

(Continued to page 44.)

The author of these gardening plans has offered to furnish all the plants, shrubs and trees called for in planting list for \$175. from \$500 to \$1,000 by attra



# The Why and How of Decorative Gardening

Detailed Directions for Beautifying an Average Building Lot at Moderate Expense

By Swain Nelson

Landscape Architect and Nurseryman, Chicago

HE reasons for beautifying building lots are so self-evident that it is only necessary to enumerate them. Landscape Gardening has become recognized as one of the noblest arts. Appealing as it does to man's love of nature, love of art, and love of the beautiful, it makes life more pleasant, and love of home more dominant. From a business point of view, too, it is worthy of attention, as nothing adds more to the value of property, both in appearance and actually, than a pleasing arrangement of trees, vines and shrubs.

In landscape gardening each individual case demands a different treatment. No place is so small that it cannot be made more attractive. Whether you intend to plant extensively, or only a little, the first thing to be done is to draw a plan of the grounds, on which the place for each tree or shrub may be indicated. It is far easier to do planting "on paper" than in the soil, and the mistakes of haste may be avoided by the proper plotting of diagrams.

The well known slogan of "an open lawn and a heavy border plantation" expresses what high-light and shadow express in the composition of a picture. In other words, contrast is the first essential. Many places that would otherwise be beautiful, lack this quality because—to use a common expression—the grounds are "cluttered up" with a collection of many kinds of trees and shrubs planted haphazard.

The successful plan will beautify in two ways—by developing pleasing effects, and by shutting off jarring features of the landscape. Thus, the planting properly done, will serve to frame and make prominent the most attractive views or vistas, soften the hard lines of architecture, and adorn barren spaces. The skyline will be broken, and shadows thrown on roof and wall by the judicious arrangement of tall trees.

Shrubs massed around the house will soften the foundation lines; they may also be used to screen the grounds from the inquisitive gaze of passers-by, or to hide the vegetable garden. Unbeautiful objects, also, such as the rear of a neighbor's premises, or portions of one's

own grounds devoted to domestic purposes, may be concealed from view or rendered less obtrusive to the eye, by the use of shrubs which in every situation will please with their foliage and blossoms.

Lawns, to give enduring satisfaction, must have fertile soil, cultivated deeply, and it will be found to be economical in the long run to overhaul the soil thoroughly before sowing any seed. A lawn started on ground properly prepared will take root deeply, be free from weeds and bare spots, and improve each year; while one which is handicapped at the beginning, will become brown as soon as the hot weather comes, and be a source of constant trouble. Deep rooting is not induced by heavy watering, and daily sprinkling soon makes the grass dependent on this nourishment; meanwhile causing the root system to become shallow.

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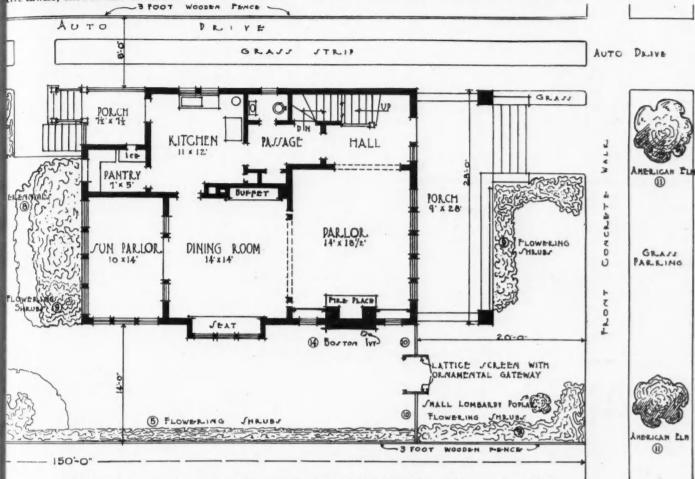
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#### BUILDER" MODEL BUNGALOW ON A 50-FOOT BUILDING LOT

For \$100 more, they can be planted and guaranteed for two years. The selling value of any house and lot is easily increased tive lawns, shrubs and flowers.



established as essential to outdoor decoration. A landscape merely of trees and lawn, lacks something; just as a forest cleared of its underbrush loses charm. Shrubs may be used either as factors in the general landscape, or as individual forms of beauty; and, planted in masses, hedges and clumps, serve a distinct purpose. Specimen plants are equally valuable. A single shrub best displays the individual beauty of the type, and, if placed near the margin of the lawn with a group of other shrubbery as a background, reaches its maximum of attractiveness. A hedge suited in height and foliage to its surroundings often does wonders.

There are hundreds of varieties of shrubs; most of them beautiful, and but few that do not add beauty to the landscape when tastefully planted. Where conditions will admit, pleasure will be found in a large assortment; for as soon as all the varieties are well known, the eye is opened to a world of beauty in nature not seen before.

Park If You Care To

#### Planting List for Plans Shown Above (Both Botanical Name and Common

	7	ame—II Any—Are Given)		
Gro	up Qu	ian.	Size	
1	170	Ligustrum Amurense	3	ft.
2	12	Forsythia Fortunei-Gold-	4	ft.
	7	en Bell Philadelphus grandiflorus,	6	
	15	Mock Orange Rubus odorata—Flowering		ft.
	8	Raspberry Symphoricarpus racemosus,	2-3	ft.
	5	Snowberry Lonicera Morrowi—Mor-	2 1/2	ft.
	5	row's Honeysuckle	4	ft.
	12	Deutzia gracilis-Snow Flower	18	in.
	4	Viburnum plicatum	4	ft.
	- 8	Rosa rugosa—Ramanas		
		Rose	3	ft.
5	4	Lonicera bella rosea	3	ft.
	7	Symphoricarpus racemosus, Snowberry	3	ft.
	3	Sambucus laciniata — Cut- leaved Elder	3	41
	9	Spiraea sorbifolia — A s h-		
		leaved Spirea	3	
	4	Staphilea trifoliata	2 1/2	
	8	Spiraea arguta	2 1/2	ft.
	10	Hydrangea paniculata grandiflora—Hardy Hy-		
		drangea	4	
	4	Hydrangea arborea sterilis	3	
	6	Spiraea Thunbergi	3	ft.
9	4	Syringa Persica—Persian Lilac	3	ft.
	12	Spiraea Anthony Waterer.	2	ft.
	10	Spiraea callosa alba	1	ft.
	3	Hydrangea arborescens sterilis	3	177
	4	Deutzia scabra	4	ft. ft. ft. ft. ft. //2 ft. //2 ft. yr. yr. ft. ft. ft. ft.
	8	Berberis Thunbergi - Jap-		
	6	anese Barberry Calycanthus floridus—	2 1/2	
11	2	Sweet-scented Shrub Ulmus Americana — Amer-	3	ft.
		ican Elm	4	in.
6	2	Peaches.	2.2/	5
7	2	Plums Cherries, Early Richmond,	1 1/2	in.
15	2	Cherries, Early Richmond, English Morello	11/2	in.
17.	10	Grapes, Concord and Delaw	are.	
40	0	Williams Chimensia		

3 Eulalia gracillima—Ornamental Grass.
12 Dianthus barbatus — Sweet Wil-liam.
25 Primula aucaulis.
16 Chrysanthemum hybridus.
17 Aster Novae Anglicae. Chrysanthemum hybridus.
Aster Novae Anglicae.
Anemone Japonica—Windflower.
Gypsophila paniculata — Baby's
Breath.
Iris Germanica.
Iris Pumila.
Paeonia officinalis.
Eulalia Zebrina Japonica.
Iris Kaempferi.
Iris pumila. 12 12 Iris pumila. Gaillardia grandiflora—Blanket Flower. Bollonia latisquama—False Cham-8 8 Bollonia latisquama—False Chamomile.
10 Campanula Pericifolia—Carpathian Harebell.
11 Hemerocallis aurantaca.
12 Monarda didyma—Oswego Balm.
13 Lychnis Chalcedonica—Maltese Cross.
13 Mentha viridis.
14 Paeonia officinalis.
15 Heuchera sanquinea.
16 Chrysanthemum maximum—Shasta Daisy.
17 Hemerocallis Thunbergi.
18 Pelphinium hybridum.
19 Funkia subcordata.
19 Achilea millefolium r eum.
19 Phlox decusata var.
10 Aquilegia chrysantha var.
11 Belis perennis—English Daisy.
12 Digitalis purpurea—Common Foxglove.
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16 Digitytra spectabilis 4 Dicelytra spectabilis. 25 Convallaria majalis — Lily of thevaller, valley. 6 Penstemon Barbatus — Beard's Tongue.
Vinca minor—Blue Myrtle.
Wistaria Chinensis.
Ampelopsis Veitchii—Boston Ivv.
Currant, Red.
Currant, White.
Gooseberries. Tongue.

# FIOME BUILDERS SECTIONS

#### Specifications for Model Bungalow

(Continued from page 41.)

selected by owner. The putty mortar used and material for same to be furnished by mason contractor, using the best fresh burned local lime and sharp sand. The shades of mortar and width and style of mortar joint used to be selected by owner.

LATH AND PLASTERING: Lath all side walls and ceilings throughout with dry white pine No. 1 lath, joints

Over this apply the plaster, which is to be two-coat work, the first a coat of good brown hair mortar, the last coat to be a plaster of paris hard finish. Cement wainscoting in kitchen, bathroom and lavatory 4 feet 6 inches high. Bathroom wainscotings to be blocked to imitate tile with bead joint.

EXTERIOR LATH AND PLAS-TERING: Where so marked on draw-

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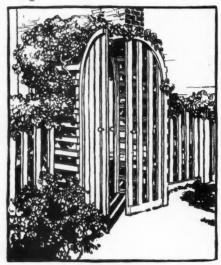
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Second floor plan of "Home Builder" model bungalow. Note extra window space in front and rear bedrooms. Also extra generous amount of clothes closet and wardrobe space.

broken every 18 inches and lath at least 3% inch apart on ceilings and but little closer on side walls. There must not be any lathing through angles, from one room to another; should the lathers find any corner not properly secured, they must not lath until it is made permanent by the carpenter, and in all cases lath to go to floor and behind wainscoting.



Ornamental gate in lattice screen. A very artistic feature in itself, and valuable because of the extra privacy it gives the side and rear yards.

ings, the exterior wall surfaces (above sheathing and paper) are to be stripped with No. 1 pine ½ by 1¾-inch furring, spaced 16 inches on centers (over each studding).

Cover this entire surface with heavy expanded metal lath, securely fastened to all furring strips with heavy galvanized iron staples. Lath must be well fitted and painted with mineral paint, or galvanized.

Cover this lath surface with two coats cement plaster, first coat to be a scratch coat gauged with fresh lime and cattle hair of best proportions to insure the best and most workmanlike job, troweled on with sufficient force to form good clinchers around lath, and all surfaces must be straight and true. When this coat is dry cover the same with a second coat, composed of one part Portland cement to three parts sand, well mixed, adding enough water to work well and finish the surface with "Rough Cast," "Pebbled" or smooth, as may be preferred.

CARPENTER WORK: The carpenter shall furnish all the necessary materials and labor, tools and every species of hardware, including nails, bolts, spikes, screws, etc., and he shall supply all minor articles of carpentry and woodwork, including all necessary jobbing and

cuttng for all other trades that are required for the perfect and efficient completion of the various works. Put up necessary temporary doors and board up windows in first story and cellar; cover for doors and board up windows first story and cellar; cover for protection the treads of all stairs, also all other interior and exterior work liable to damage during the construction of the said building.

TIMBERS: All rough lumber, where no particular timber is specified, shall be of good No. 1 Norway or yellow pine, sound, well seasoned, free from large, loose or dead knots or other imperfections liable to impair the durability or otherwise weaken the timber.

All floor joists must be sized to widths and set crowning-edge upward. All joist, studding, rafters and other framing timbers to be set 16 inches on centers, unless where otherwise mentioned on drawings.

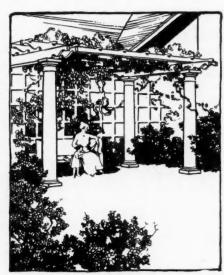
HEADERS AND TRIMMERS: Frame double-headers and trimmer joist, well spiked together, around all stairways, chimney breasts, etc.

All joist under partitions to be set double. Bearing partitions to be crossbridged.

All door and window studs shall be set double; truss over all openings in bearing partitions in a substantial manner; angles of rooms must be made solid.

BRIDGING: All joist to be well cross-bridged with good sound 2 by 2-inch stuff, well fitted at the angles and put in as soon as joists are leveled.

Frame horizontal 2 by 4-inch collar beams to all rafters 8 feet above the upper ceiling joist, well spiked to each set of long rafters.



A four column pergola; grape trellis at the back. A pergola of this style built of cypress costs about \$35. Wistaria clambers over the pergola rafters, and small flowering plants are bedded along each side.

SHEATHING: Enclose the entire exterior vertical frame wall surface of building with surfaced No. 2 common matched sheathing boards, laid close, well nailed with two eightpenny nails to all studding; all loose knots cut out and all sheathing well fitted around windows, doors, angles and corners.

BUILDING PAPER: Cover the entire exterior sheathed surface with a good heavy tar building paper, all joints well lapped at least 6 inches and run in under all casings, around windows and doors and to lap around all angles and corners. Also cover all rough floor surface with one thickness of building paper after all plastering is completed and dry.

SIDING: The building is to be sided with first quality clear poplar or white pine siding, 4 inches wide and laid with a lap of at least 1 inch. Cut close joints against all casings, corner boards, etc., and properly nail with sixpenny nails every 16 inches. The carpenter is to notify the painter to prime all siding as soon as it is placed in position.

ROOF SHEATHING AND SHIN-GLES: Cover the entire surface of main roof and all porch roofs with No. 2 common sheathing boards 7/8-inch thick by 6 inches wide and spaced 2 inches apart, well nailed to all rafters and tightly fitted at all valleys, hips, etc.

The entire roof to be shingled with the best 16-inch white cedar shingles, laid 4½ inches to the weather. Make perfectly water-tight around all chimneys, etc. All shingles to be nailed with at least two galvanized cut shingle nails to each shingle. Use galvanized iron hip shingles on all hips, well run in under each course. The carpenter must see that all sheet metal flashing is properly set in place while shingling, as he will be held responsible for all leaks in the roof after all shingling is completed.

EXTERIOR TRIMMING: All exterior finishing lumber to be of good white pine or cypress where exposed to view or weather, well fitted in place and primed by painter as soon as work is completed.

PORCHES: Construct porches as shown on elevations and details. Rear porch floor to be of 1 by 3-inch dressed and matched select white pine flooring, with all joints painted with a thick coat of white lead and oil while it is being laid.

Porch ceiling to be of 7%-inch clear, narrow beaded yellow pine ceiling, and same materal to be used for cornice planciers.

OUTSIDE STEPS: All outside and porch steps must rest on masonry piers run from below frost to grade line by the mason as directed by the carpenter if not shown on foundation plan.

Rear outside steps to have 2 by 10inch earriages not over 3 feet apart, 1½ by 11½-inch treads made from three 3½-inch pieces, laid ½ inch apart, ¾-inch risers, ¾-inch cove under all nosings. Ends of steps to be finished as shown on elevations.

ROUGH FLOORS: Cover the entire floor surface throughout, with surfaced and matched No. 2 common fencing, well nailed to all joist and tightly fitted in all corners, and all flooring damaged by plumbers, gas-fitters, furnace men or other mechanics must be replaced by the carpenter in first-class condition before it is covered with the building paper and finished floor.

TOP FLOORS: After all plastering and cement work is completed and dry and all plumbing and gas pipes have been installed, cover the entire rough floor surface with paper, as before specified and then lay the finish floor as follows:

The parlor, dining room, first floor hall, and second floor hall are to have clear, kiln-dried 7/8 by 21/4-inch plain sawed red oak flooring.

The kitchen, pantry, lavatory and three chambers are to have clear, kiln-dried % by 21/4-inch face white maple flooring.

All closets to have surfaced No. 2 fence flooring; all bad knots and other defects cut out.

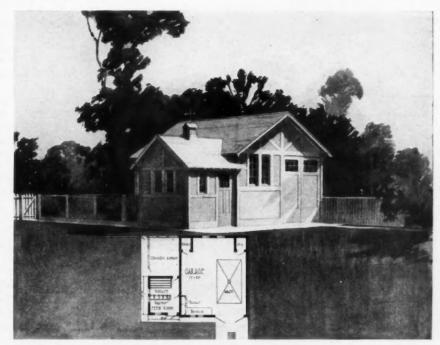
All oak floors to be hand-smoothed, scraped and sand papered, then to be filled by painter and given one coat of shellac varnish, then covered with paper or canvas for protection until all carpenter work is completed.

DOOR FRAMES: All outside door frames to be 134 inches thick, to be rabbeted 1/2 inch by thickness of doors, to have 134-inch thick oak sills.

All inside door jambs to be  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch thick by thickness of partitions, of same wood as trim of wood in which it faces and fitted with  $\frac{7}{2}$  by  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch stops.

DOORS: All outside doors to be 134 inches thick with glass above lock rail. The exterior surface of all outside doors to be of white pine. The interior of all outside doors to be of same wood as

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Combined Garage, Workshop, and Poultry House to Go with "Home Builder" Model Bungalow.

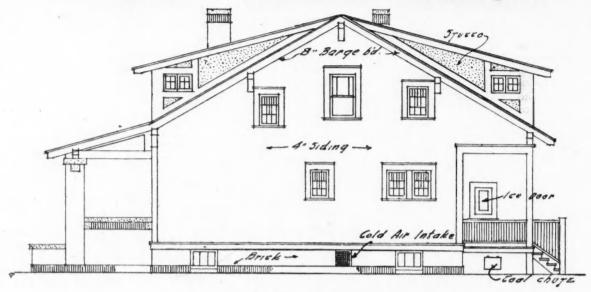
It doesn't cost very much more to build a garage that looks like something. It can have good proportions and an architectural appearance in harmony with the residence, without straining anybody's purse. A great many home builders would like to be able to keep their autos right at home, and cut out the nuisance and expense of the public or rented garage.

This little building is 17 by 20 feet, constructed in a fire-resisting way of cement plaster on metal lath. We have designed this garage big enough to accommodate a car nicely, and leave enough extra space for a home workshop, storage space of garden tools, etc.

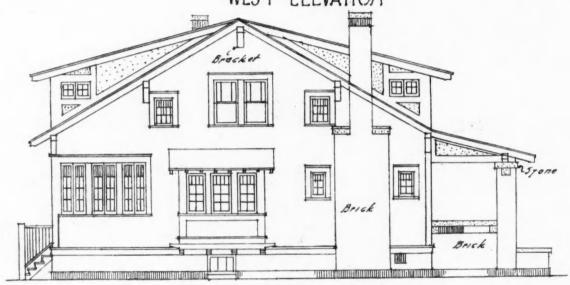
Also in connection with the garage there is a model poultry house, 9 by 10 feet—just about right to keep a couple of dozen chickens in good shape. It wouldn't do to house chickens next to a horse stable, but an auto and the poultry flock are very good friends and will not hurt each other.

The home builder misses half the fun and profit if he doesn't keep a few chickens, and lay out a vegetable garden and have some shrubs and flowers to make his house and lot into a real home.

# Working Plans for "Home Builder" Model Bungalow



WEST ELEVATION



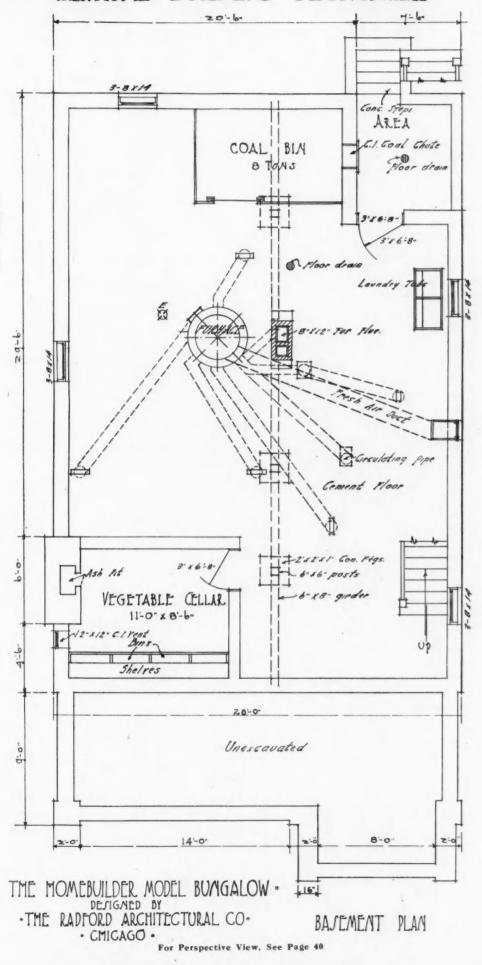


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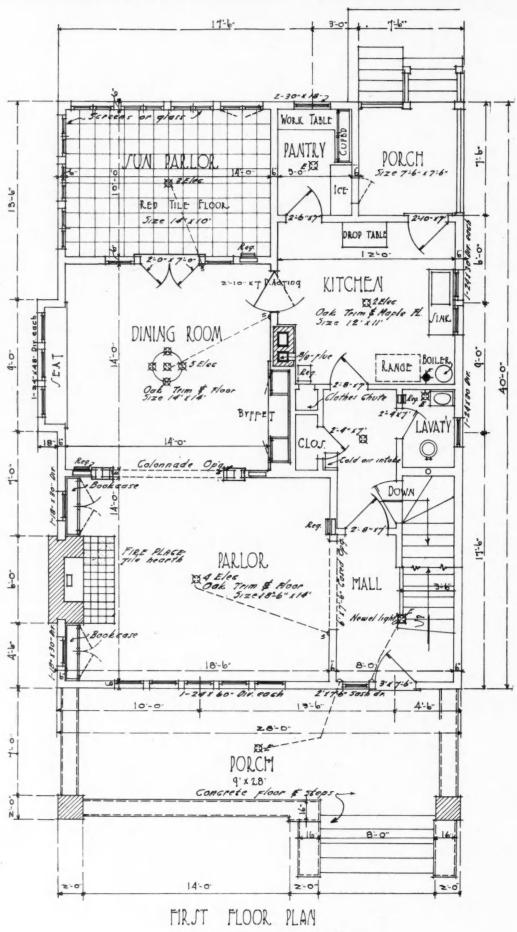
REAR ELEVATION

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# THOME BUILDERS SECTIONS

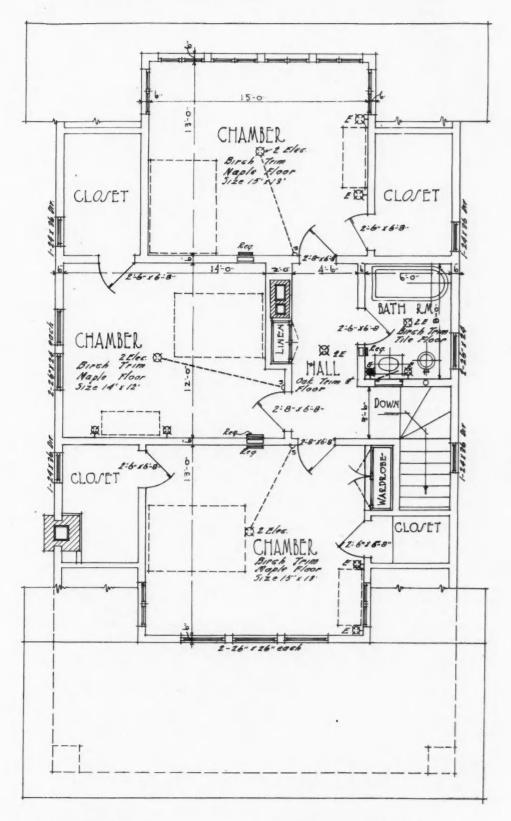


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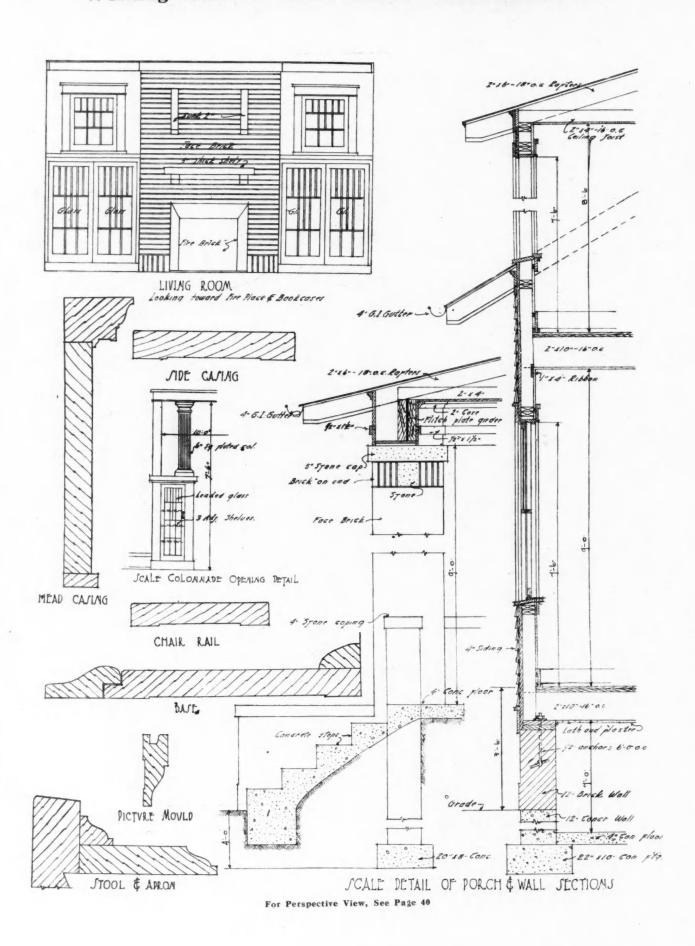
# PHOME BUILDERS SECTION



CUBAGE ESTIMATE
23740 CUBIC FEET MAIN BUILDING
1308 - PORCHES (# CUBAGE)
25048 TOTAL AT 15# A CUBIC FT
FQUALS \$3757.20

SECOND FLOOR PLAN

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# PHOME BUILDERS SECTION

#### Specifications for Model Bungalow

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hereafter mentioned for inside doors.

All inside doors facing hardwood trim to be veneered with same wood as hereafter specified under head of "Inside Trim"; to be 1¾ inches thick and to have three-ply, glued-up horizontal panels.

All doors must be kiln-dried, sandpapered, free from knots, checks, plane marks, stains, finger marks and perfectly hung in place and in working order.

WINDOW FRAMES: All single sash frames to be regular plank frames 1¾ inches, rabbeted ½ inch by thickness of sash, of select white pine or cypress.

All frames for check rail windows to be of the form, styles and dimensions as marked on plans; all pulley stiles to be  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch thick, of hard pine.

SASH: All sash to be of clear white pine 13% inches thick. All single sash are to be hung on good butts and to swing as desired by owner, where not otherwise mentioned.

All check-rail sash to be hung on cast iron weights with sash cord and secured with good sash lock.

FLY SCREENS: Contractor to provide all windows, outside doors and enclose rear porch with fly screens, well fitted in place, constructed out of white pine for frames, with best enameled wire cloth. All check rail windows to have half screens to slide up. All single sash windows to have hinged screens. Front door screen of red oak. All doors to have spring hinges.

INSIDE FINISH: All finish to be clear, sand-papered clean and smooth. Closets to be trimmed with plain 4-inch O. G. casing (no blocks). See details for all other trim.

All windows to have proper stools and aprons. Outside doors to be fitted with oak thresholds.

Put in place beam ceilings (if desired), wainscot, columns, seats, book cases, etc., where same are shown on plans, all according to details.

All inside finish to be as follows: Oak
—All of first floor, stairway, and second
floor hall. Birch—All of second floor
except hall.

CLOSETS: All closets to be finished up with at least two shelves as directed by the owner and to have % by 3-inch hook strip fastened to walls and to extend around entire closet with at least two dozen hooks fastened to same.

ANGLE BEADS: Furnish turned angle beads 4 feet long; put in place on all plastered angles. Also put up all necessary door strikers against the base where the doors would otherwise strike the walls.

PANTRY: Construct and set in place all pantry shelving, cupboards, drawercases, bins, etc., as shown on plans and as directed by the owner, all to be complete in every respect and ready for use.

CHINA CLOSET: To be constructed of same wood and design of trim as balance of dining-room woodwork, having three adjustable shelves and glass above a 1½-inch counter shelf which is to project with a moulded edge to form a cap for the case of six drawers below; all this work must be done in a most mechanical manner and in harmony with the other trim.

STAIRWAYS: Construct the front stairway of the design as shown on details out of kind of wood mentioned above for hall, all treads and risers to be housed, wedged and glued into wall string.

Cellar stairs to have 1%-inch tread, %-inch risers and %-inch wall strings of yellow pine with cove under nosing.

HARDWARE: The contractor must furnish and put in place all necessary hardware, such as hinges, locks, bolts, etc., also knobs, butts, locks, latches, trimmings and fastenings of every description of the styles, weights and finishes as selected by the owner.

SHEET METAL WORK: Gutters to be made of No. 26 iron, well fastened to roof and to have proper fall. Place all down spouts of No. 26 galvanized iron where shown on elevation or where may be found necessary.

All flashings are to be made with No. 26 galvanized iron, all to be well painted on both sides before putting in place.

OUTSIDE PAINTING: Paint all of the sheet metal work and exterior woodwork, except roof, three coats of pure white lead, mixed with boiled linseed oil, tinted to suit the owner. Coat all large and dark knots with a thick coat of shellac varnish. Prime all frames as soon as delivered, and all other woodwork as soon as set in place by carpenter. After priming coat is dry, putty up all nail holes and other imperfections with best linseed oil putty. All shingles to be dipped in shingle stain and given one brush coat after laying. All this work must be done by experienced men and satisfactory to owner.

INSIDE PAINTING AND FINISH-ING: Painter must see that all woodwork is in proper condition to receive the first coats before proceeding with the work. All inside woodwork to be filled as soon as delivered to building, and all oak floors filled as soon as laid and properly smoothed by carpenters.

All oak or other hardwood trim woodwork, doors and floors to be filled with a paste filler, tinted to suit owner.

Over this apply to all woodwork, except floors, one coat of a standard sur-

facer and one coat of "Dead-Lac," or similar preparation.

Finish all oak floors and treads of stairways with two coats of an approved floor finish, well flowed to an even surface. Finish all maple floors in kitchen, bathroom and pantry with two coats of boiled linseed oil.

GLAZING: Glaze all sash, outside doors and transoms with best American double strength "AA" quality sheet glass, well sprigged and puttied, except the front door, which is to have beveled plate glass.

DRAINAGE: Excavate for catchbasins, trenches, etc., leaving the undisturbed bottom for all drainage shown on foundation plan, or herein described; giving pipe a uniform fall from highest point of soft tile (being 12 inches below cellar floor) to its connection with city sewer.

CATCH-BASIN: To be three (3) feet in diameter, the depth where located being 3 feet 6 inches below the gradual fall from house to sewer, and same to be constructed with an 8-inch hard burned brick wall, laid in cement mortar and plastered with pure cement on inside to 6 inches above water line. The inlet and outlet to catch-basin will be elbows turned down.

BOILER: Put in one galvanized hotwater boiler to contain 30 gallons on cast iron standard. Make all necessary connections for water-back to stove and to basement furnace. Hot water to be taken from the boiler to the sink, bath tub, wash bowl and laundry tubs. Boiler to have a ½-inch sediment cock at bottom.

SINK: Place one white enameled 18 by 30-inch cast iron roll-rim sink where shown on floor plans, trapped with "S" trap and screw and to have brass \%-inch bibbs (for cold water, hose bibb) and enamel drain and 12-inch enameled back.

BATH TUB: Put in one 3-inch rollrim enameled iron bath tub, with overflow and strainer, rubber plug and chain complete; supplied with nickel-plated combination bath-cock and trapped with lead drum trap.

WATER-CLOSETS: Put in place in bath room and in lavatory two siphon jet water-closets, with low-down antique oak tank, with pull complete and antique oak double cover, making the whole a complete job in all respects.

WASH BOWLS: Put in place in bath room and in lavatory two enameled iron top and back and apron. Basins to be supplied with nickel-plated chains, stay, plug and strainer, trapped with lead "S" trap and screw and supplied with nickel-plated basin cocks and nickel-plated bracket and screws.

LAUNDRY TUB: Furnish and set in place in basement, complete, a twocompartment slate or soapstone laundry



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tub, 16 inches deep, 24 inches wide by 4 feet long, set on painted cast iron legs. To have 1½-inch brass waste plugs, lead trapped waste, and supplied with hot and cold water through "Fuller's" 5½-inch brass hose bibbs.

FURNACE: Furnish and install warm air furnace selected by owner, with heating pipes running to all rooms; fresh air duct from inlet in north basement wall and thence under basement floor in vitrified clap pipe to furnace; also recirculating pipe from hall; all as shown on drawings; work to be done in best workmanlike manner; the job when complete to be guaranteed to heat the building to 70 degrees in zero weather.

GAS FITTING: The building is to be piped for gas, with outlets in kitchen and in bath room.

ELECTRIC WIRING: All the electrical work herein included shall be executed according to the rules and regulations adopted by the National Board of Fire Underwriters and subject to the inspection and approval of the local Board of Fire Underwriters.

The building shall be thoroughly equipped from the source of supply to each outlet with best insulated copper wire and approved brand and acceptable to inspector, well installed and run through porcelain insulators at all timbers and porcelain insulators where wires cross each other, well wrapped with tape.

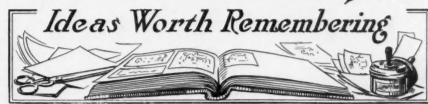
Good Ideas. Spaciousness is the Keynote. Living Room is Separated from the Dining Room Only by Adds to the Feeling of Size in These Rooms. No Money Spent in Interior Decoration Goes Further than interior Landscape Friezes. The Beam Celling Work and Placing of the Lighting Fixtures Should be Noted

Modern Home Interior Full of Suggestions and Landscape Panel Decoration, Wall Pap All joints and connections must be well soldered and wrapped with insulation tape. No wire must come within 6 inches of any water or waste pipe.

PLUMBING SPECIFICATIONS: The plumber shall find, provide, fix good and complete, as the progress of the work requires it, all cocks, plugs, soilpipes, waste-pipes and all necessary fittings for hot and cold water, to fixtures and apparatus to make the whole complete and in good working order, as shown by drawings or hereinafter described. Place one sill cock on outside of the house where owner may direct, with extra stop and waste cock, to shut off in cold weather. All supply pipes to be 3/8 inch; all galvanized iron pipes. All exposed plumbing to be nickel-plated.

WASTE PIPES: All waste pipes from fixtures to soil pipe to be lead pipes of the various sizes as required, and properly trapped with non-syphon traps. All soil pipes must be 4 inches in diameter inside and of cast iron, and be ventilated up through the roof, well tarred both inside and out. Calk tight all joints with molten lead and oakum. Put in all necessary vent and re-vent pipes. All to be open plumbing throughout. Connect soil pipe to street sewer with 6-inch vitrified tile pipe laid with cement joints and with sufficient fall.

# The Home Builders'Scrapbook



#### New Idea in Kitchen Cabinets

The kitchen cabinet is the joy of the housewife and now one has been evolved with still another attraction. It has an automatic extension table.

With a cabinet base only 28 inches deep this extension table arrangement gives a free working space of 70 by 37



Table Front with Legs Slids Back Into Cabinet

inches. For the small kitchens that are being built in new houses and apartments, such a folding kitchen cabinet is ideal.

The upper part of the cabinet includes, of course, the regular outfit, comprising a flour bin, aluminumlined bread box, grocery compartment with removable shelf, large sugar drawer, screw-top cannisters for spices, etc. The lower part of the cabinet is used for storing kitchen utensils, a door at each end giving easy access to this space.

The extension table feature is decidedly new and is bound to be appreciated.

# Electric Fan Helps Furnace

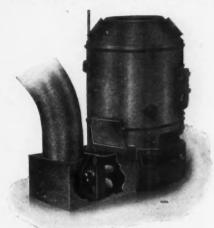
The best of heating plants occasionally fails to deliver. The fire burns brightly and the coal is consumed, but for some reason or other the heating pipes don't "draw right." In certain kinds of weather this happens, and we think it

is because of adverse winds or lifeless atmosphere; we don't know.

A sure remedy has been devised. A faithful little electric fan comes to the rescue.

Tests have demonstrated that such a miniature blower connected up with a warm-air furnace not only does away with these annoying, sluggish spells but also improves the heating efficiency all the time.

A small electric fan is installed, as illustrated, in the cold air box of the furnace. No special wiring is necessary as a long attachment cord and plug to be connected to any ordinary lighting socket furnishes the power. The cost of operating the fan is small, made up many times by the saving in fuel. By means of the fan, heat that usually goes up the chimney or stays in the cellar is



Electric Fan Increases Heating Power of Warm Air Furnace

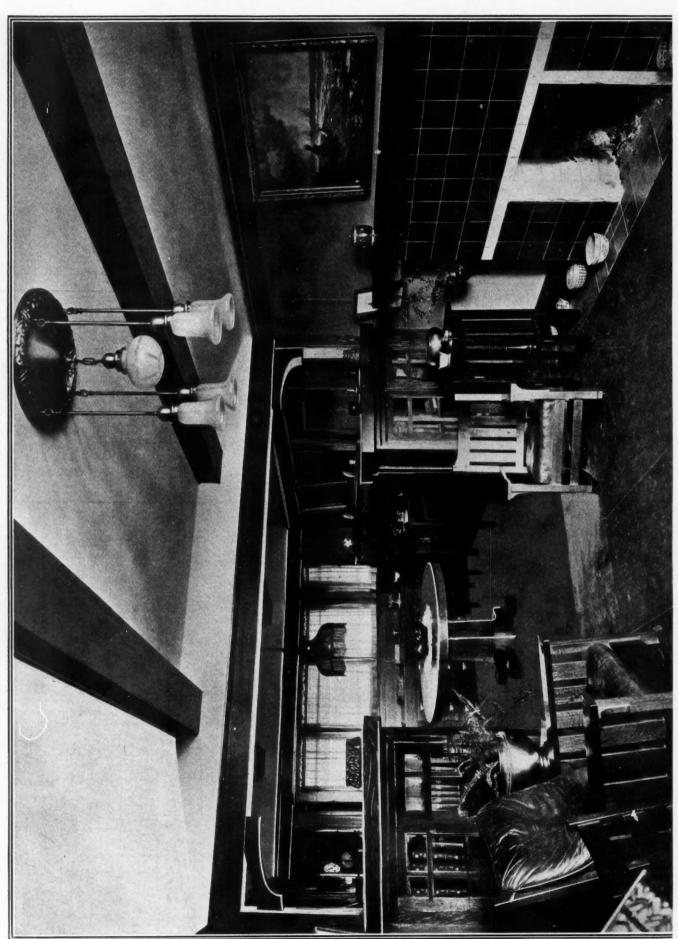
forced through the heating pipes to the rooms above.

To receive the motor an opening 15 by 9 inches should be cut in the top of the cold-air duct near its junction with the furnace. This hole is fitted with a hinged cover. In mild weather, when the motor is not required, it may easily be removed and the opening closed by the hinged cover.

#### Not Permitted

Prospective tenant—"This apartment is too small. Why, there isn't room to swing a cat."

Janitor—"Ve don't allow no cats in de puilding."—London Sketch,



Pich Interior in a Southern California Bungalow. Heavy Beams and Pair of Built-In Bookcases Indicate Division between Living Room and Dining Room. Heavy Celling Beams Appear to be Continuous Throughout Book Rother Source Linical and Fire Lining and Heavy wood Manneel Ship Place Shows Attractive Combination of Square Tires, Concrete Linical and Fire Lining and Heavy wood Manneel Ship Place Shows Attractive

# Possibilities of the Steel Square

FINDING THE SIDE CUT OF THE JACK AND HIP AND THEIR RELATION TO ONE ANOTHER

By A. W. Woods

TANGENT-

24.0" SPAN.

N our last article we talked along the line of men- the cut, the blade giving the angle. tal calculation in the use of the steel square in finding the lengths and cuts of jack rafters. We are going to continue along the same line in this article, but confine our remarks to another part of the roof timbers, namely-the hip or valley. But really there is no difference, because the general or governing rule applies to both alike.

A builder once said to us that he experienced no trouble in framing the jacks, but when it came to the hip or valley it bothered him without first laving off a draft of it on a board and working by scale from that. We told him to just forget about its being a hip or valley and consider it a common rafter and proceed in the same way; as the general or fundamental

Heavy Celling Beams Appear to l

between Living Room and Dining Room. vith Plain Paper. Open Fire Place Shows d Heavy Wood Mantel Shelf

rule applied to both alike. He could not understand this and accused us of being a joker, and that we were afflicted with rafters on the brain. It was up to us

strokes of the pencil we drew a square, as shown in illustration, and laid out the run of the hip and common

then to make good, and so with a few

rafter. For illustration purposes, we will suppose this square to be 24 feet in diameter; then the run of the common rafter would be 12 feet, and that of the hip would be 17 feet, and the tangents would be of same length as that of their respective runs. Now, what we want to show is that the same rule for obtaining the side cut applies to jack and hip alike, namely-the tangent taken on the tongue of the square and the length of the rafter, taken on the blade will give the angle for

It should be remembered that the tangents are fixed quantities, that is, they are not governed by the pitch but remain the same regardless of what the pitch may be. Therefore, there is nothing in the illustration to show what the pitch of the roof is. If it was framed with no pitch at all, but showing each rafter in its respective place, then the length of the rafter would be the same as its run; and its tangent and length would give the side cut of the rafters, which in this case is simply a miter; but as we said before, the same rule holds good for any pitch the roof may have.

The run of the hip is 5-12 longer than that of the corresponding common rafter, but the rise remains the same in either case. But note that the hip

> for a 24-foot span becomes a common rafter (in length) for a span 5-12 wider with same rise to the roof as in the first instance. Therefore, the treatment, or principle involved for obtaining the side cut of the jack or hip, applies to both; that is-its tangent and length taken on the steel square will give the angle for the side cuts. As to finding the

length of the hip, take 17 on the tongue and the rise per foot run of the common rafter on the blade and place it as many times as there are feet in the run of the common rafter; and if there happens to be a fraction of a foot in the run, which there usually is, it may be taken care of by adding 5-12 of the fraction to itself and set off the amount square out from the plumb

line of the last placing of the square. That is, if the fraction is, say 2 inches, the amount would be 2 10-12 inches; in Illustrating Cuts of Hips and Jacks by a General Rule

length of the diagonal for 2 inches.

The length of the hip rafter should be reckoned along the center of its back, and as it rests at an angle of 45 degrees with the plate, it furnishes a puz- Happy New Year and a prosperous one.

other words, instead of its being 2 inches it is the zle that is not readily grasped by the average man to know just how to get at the proper length, depth of seat cut, etc., all of which we have gone over before.

With this we close by wishing all of the readers a

# **Unusual Contest Shows Good Feeling**

"CONFIDENTIAL CENSUS" BRINGS FORTH ASTONISHING RETURNS-"A. C. & B." READERS EAGER TO HELP

HE AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER wishes to publicly thank the host of subscribers for their quick compliance to the "Confidential Census" proposition in the November issue. The loyalty and spirit of friendly helpfulness shown has been truly surprising. We thought that we knew our readers; but we didn't. We didn't know half what good fellows they are.

Very nearly a thousand have sent in the readers' census blanks all filled out and have given us a world of information that will help us to offer a more practical and helpful building magazine than ever before. A good many couldn't tell all they wanted to, even by answering the 113 questions in the census, and wrote us long letters in addition. We have read and studied these every one.

We are hard at work tabulating, enumerating and studying this great volume of information and will present some parts of it in our coming numbers. For instance, the building business forecast for next year will be presented. These reports, from such reliable sources, have come from every state in the Union and in many states from practically every county. This will be the most accurate possible advance survey of the building situation for the coming year. We are hard at work on the figures and can only say at this writing that the building prospects for next season are very encouraging.

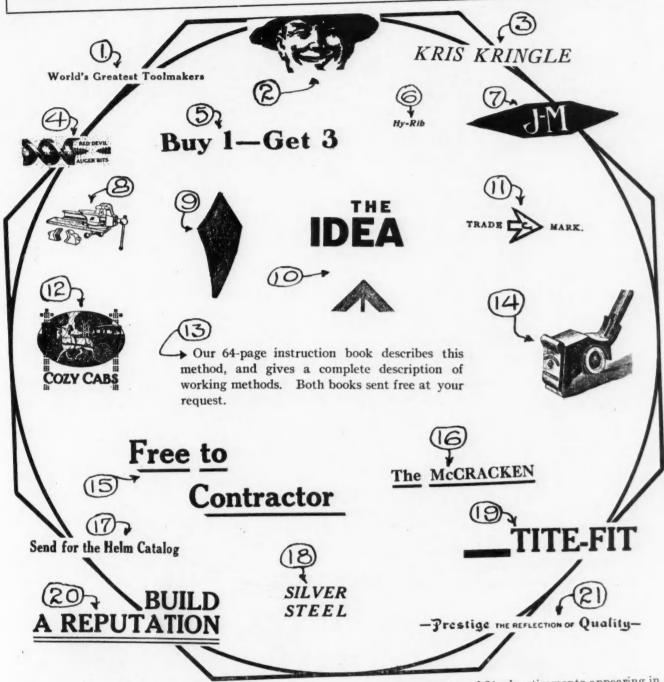
#### Prize Winners in the November Prize Contest are the Following:

- First Prize, \$5.00-D. E. A. CAMERON, Gen. Supt. Byers Bros. Construction Co., Kalamazoo, Mich.
- Second Prize, \$2.00-C. C. FENWICK, Carpenter and General Builder, St. Joseph, Ill.
- And 48 Third Prizes of \$1.00 each to: S. J. CLARKE, General Builder, Cullman, Ala.
- JOSEPH O. STRADLING, JR., Contracting Carpenter, St. Johns, Ariz.
- MAURICE D. Bone, Builder and Carpenter, Batesville, Ark.
- H. Begien, Carpenter and Builder, Oakland, Cal.
- R. J. Welton, Architect and Builder, Haxtun, Colo.
- GEORGE A. KEENEY, Carpenter and Builder, Delaware City, Del.
- J. S. SWEET, Carpenter and Builder, Tampa, Fla.
- S. W. Foster, Architect and Builder, and Building Material Dealer, Sandpoint, Idaho.
- SANDFORT E. RIEKE, General Builder, Barrington, Ill.
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- ALBERT E. TELLE, Architect and Builder. Salem. Ind.
- J. G. LAMSON, Real Estate Builder, Nevada, Iowa.
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- EDW. I. BARNES, Carpenter and Cabinet Maker, Chanute, Kans.

- REEVES & SILER, Architects and General Builders, Williamsburg, Ky.
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- JOHN DE VRIES, Journeyman Carpenter, Carlton Hill, N. J.
- GEORGE TULLY, of Shaut & Tully, Carpenters and General Contractors, New York City.
- M. F. COPELAND, Carpenter and Builder, Eagle, N. Y.
- JOHN K. GUSTAFSON, Building Contractor, Jamestown, N. Y.

- CHAS. E. MORRELL, JR., Architect and U. S. Supt. of Construction of Federal Buildings under Treas. Dept., Oxford, N. C.
- WILLARD H. WEBSTER, Architect and Builder, Cogswell, N. Dak.
- WALTER L. HILL, Architect and Builder, Okmulgee, Okla.
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- E. W. GREGG, Contracting Carpenter, Coquille, Ore.
- H. S. RAHISER, Architect for Pittsburgh Hardwood Door Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- JOHN T. COXHEAD, Manufacturing Cabinet Maker, Yankton, S. Dak.
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- J. J. COYNE, General Builder, Fond du Lac, Wis.
- W. H. LEE, Architect and Builder, Toronto, Ont.
- ARTHUR NUTTALL, Carpenter and Builder, Saskatoon, Sask.

# More Fun and Prizes For All Who Read Our Advertising Pages



January Ad. Puzzle Prize Contest

Above are fragments of 21 advertisements appearing in this issue. Can you identify them? Some are old friends. some you will have to hunt a little to locate. Study our advertising pages this month; read every offer. Then list the 21 ads. these were clipped from. Be sure to give the names and addresses and the page numbers. Also write a brief, straightforward letter, 100 words, on this subject:

# "Why I Am Interested in Concrete and Mortar Mixers"

## We Will Award These Prizes

13 Prizes

For the best letter (and correct Puzzle solution) \$10.00 worth of goods selected from our Ad. pages For the 2 next best letters (and correct Puzzle solution) \$5.00 worth of goods selected from our Ad. pages For the 10 next best letters (and correct Puzzle solution) \$1 worth of goods selected from our Ad. pages When sending in your Puzzle Answer and Letter, be sure to state the goods you select from our Ad. Pages, in case you win a Prize; goods of ANY value may be selected, and prizes will apply either in whole or part payment on them.

This Contest Closes MONDAY, FEB. 16th. Prize winners will be announced in March issue.

Address your letters to your friend, THE ADVERTISING EDITOR, American Carpenter and Builder, Chicago.

# To keep the Coming in during the winter months

# Tough Times in Troy

A LEADING CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER OF THIS PENNSYLVANIA TOWN TELLS OF HIS WINTER'S WORK AND TAKES A SHOT AT SOME ARCHITECTS' PLANS HE HAS MET

Editor American Carpenter and Builder:

AM very much interested in the many ways suggested in the American Carpenter and Builder columns for keeping the \$'s coming in during the cold, winter months.

I have a shop with a

I have a shop with a rip saw, a band saw, a jointer, a cut-off saw, dado heads, foot mortiser, two gasoline and one steam engine; and carry from \$300 to \$1500 in stock of

different kinds; but I find it hard to earn much money during the winter. We have had plenty of work up to the second week in December, when we finished a gambrel roof and basement barn, 40 by 48 feet. which was heavy timber frame. This calls to mind a barn we built during June, 36 by 60 feet, also heavy timber; the main plates and purlin plates were 60 feet long, without a splice hewed out 67 years ago and in business ever since!

I have built 3 farm reservoirs this fall, holding 166 barrels, 255 barrels, and 750 barrels, respectively. Built them of concrete 1:2:4 mix and when filled with water none of them leaked a drop. No waterproofing used. I have built a lot of concrete water troughs and I have not had a leak yet. You can waterproof your work with water, cement, sand, and gravel; but lots of men don't. (The above is a digression from the subject in hand.)

I have made some mission furniture, some screens, some sleds, both light and heavy. Make some concrete blocks, some concrete brick, some

concrete burial vaults, a few concrete fence posts, and do any old thing that comes along.

But from now until about April 1, what I earn won't cause any curvature of my spinal column.

Now, as for getting up some houses during warm weather to finish in the winter. That stunt is a good one, but it won't work here. When a man builds here, you get his plans in the spring. Then if you bid *low*, you get the contract, with a double riveted clause to let him in before Thanksgiving under pain of mortal sin, as the preacher says.

You can't even build stock door and window frames any more and expect to sell them. Stock mouldings,





stock doors, and stock windows don't give my lord architect enough margin! They must be odd, and God knows some of them are (so are some of the men who design them). I built a \$6,000 bunglehigh last year which had four flights of stairs! and no living man could put any of them in, as they were drawn, and pass by the foot of them into the rooms! Also, where a landing came 5 feet 10 inches from floor to top of landing floor, a closet under the landing called for a 2 feet 8 inches by 7 feet door! Then on second floor we hauled the closet partitions into the rooms a foot and raised all side walls a foot, and then used doors 5 feet 10 inches high, although all doors on second story plan were marked 2 feet 8 inches by 6 feet 8 inches.

Now the architect gets pay for those mistakes and the contractor gets h—l if he don't correct them, and, verily, life is one darned thing after another.

C. J. Case, Contractor and Builder, Concrete Construction.

#### Winter Profits Selling Silos; Summer Profits Erecting Them

Editor American Carpenter and Builder:

Possibly you don't know how very interesting we manufacturers find your paper. It is the link that connects us with your subscribers, who are our customers. And, just as every good mechanic has at heart the interests of his patrons, so have good manufacturers at heart the interests of the people who patronize them.

Accordingly, we are very much interested in the problem of what to do to keep busy during the winter months. The winter months are dull months in the lumber business, just as in the contracting business, and we have, on this account, worked out a plan which will help both the contractor and ourselves.

In connection with out business of selling lumber, millwork

and other building supplies, we manufacture and sell direct to the user the Seattle Silo. A silo is a big barrel, for the preserving of summer fodder in succulent form for winter use. Like any other barrel, it must be tight to be worth anything. We make the staves from trees cut in our own yellow fir forests, and they are tongued and grooved deeper than usual, to make an extra good joint. The silo is provided with patented doors, that swing in, and the door bars, and bars which connect the ends of the hoops, form a ladder. It is thus possible to get into the silo easily, and to tighten the hoops when necessary without a special ladder.

These good points, together with its honest manufacture, and the fact that it is sold at a very low price, may make the Seattle Silo easy to sell. The sensible time to work up a silo business is the winter, when the farmer has plenty of time to give the matter thought and attention. We do not ordinarily employ agents, but we are willing to pay a good commission, which comes out of our profits and is not added to price, to any of our carpenter friends who will represent us in their territory. And we will protect these representatives by giving exclusive territory in the order of application.

We have literature which we will be glad to supply to any carpenter. However, this is not much needed, because the silo proposition has been thoroughly advertised in all farm papers, and is advocated by every experiment station and agricultural college. Every farmer wants a silo, and it is not hard, when you consider its advantages, and low price, to sell him a Seattle Silo.

The plan is that only a small deposit is to be required at this time in evidence of good faith, and the silo will be shipped later, probably with a car of lumber going to the same point, so as to take advantage of the carload rates. The carpenter who takes the order for the silo should be able to take the contract to put it up, and he can do this job at any time it is handy to get at it.

Another advantage in this winter salesmanship proposition is that the carpenter who takes it up is bound to pick up many small jobs on the side, and stands a mighty good chance at a big one if he comes across a farmer who is going to build a house or barn.

I will be very glad to provide further information to readers of your publication upon request. The plan impresses us as decidedly practical, and we hope that it will solve the winter-work problem for many carpenters.

W. G. Funck, care Hewitt-Lea-Funck Co., Seattle, Wash.



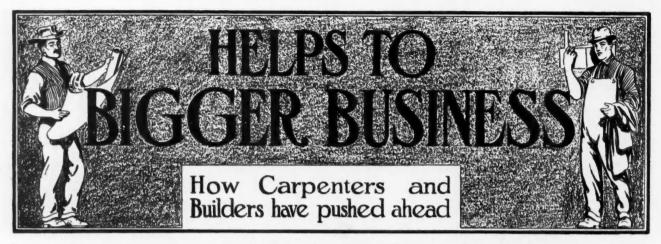
#### Some Good Pointers for Winter Income Makers

Brentwood, Cal.

Editor American Carpenter and Builder:

Just a line to let you know how I put in the winter months when work gets slack. I have found it a very good way for a man to do repair work and not to be afraid to use the pick and shovel if it required it and to do small odd jobs. Although it would be a day or two it gives a fellow a chance for something to do all the time and he is kept fairly busy all the time and lots of times gets inside work by doing it, which the other fellow would have gotten. That has been my experience and that way I am kept at work all the time. There is always some one looking for some one to crate and pack furniture and make repairs of all kinds if one will just take it up and get acquainted. It makes it easy to find lots one can do to help along during the slack time in the building line.

M. V. G.



# Quick Framing with My Portable Power Wood Worker

HOW I BUILD HOUSES AND BARNS WITH THE HELP OF MY COMBINATION PORTABLE RIP SAW, JOINTER, BAND SAW AND BORING MACHINE-SOME QUICK FRAMING DONE

By Chris. Henderson

Contractor and Builder, Xenia, Illinois

USED to wonder about this power wood-working up in my building magazine. Wonderful things were proposition. I heard lots of talk about what it claimed in the way of doing hard, tedious work easily; was doing for some contractors and builders, and and the power woodworkers, especially the portable then I used to see the machines advertised and written ones, seemed to be pretty strong, useful machines. It



Contractor Henderson and His Gang on a Recent Remodeling Job. His Gas Driven Combination Portable Woodworker Does All the Heavy Work and a Good Deal Besides

had me wondering for quite awhile.

Well, I don't wonder about them any longer. I got an outfit and have found out for myself.

Some of the things we do with my portable woodworker some of the boys may not believe. But let me assure you right now that we do them, and no mistake about it. And I wouldn't go back to the old hand-labor ways for a good deal of money.

Take for instance, the house job illustrated in the photo. This remodelling was begun and brought right up to the place where you see it by myself and four men in just three hours' time. The entire frame work of this addition is oak. I would hate to think of how we would have felt after hand-sawing out all of those oak timbers!

Then, there is the job illustrated in the hand bill. This was a large lumber shed, and we averaged 1,000 feet of lumber an hour, all framed, ready to put up.

I do considerable barn work, and three of us usually frame a 40 by 40-foot mortise and tenon frame barn in three days' time, including rafters and all framing timbers, ready to raise.

The main feature of my wood-working machine is the swing saw under the saw table. With this I can saw 1-inch lumber up to 14 inches wide. I use a straightedge and cut everything to a gauge, so all pieces are exactly the same.

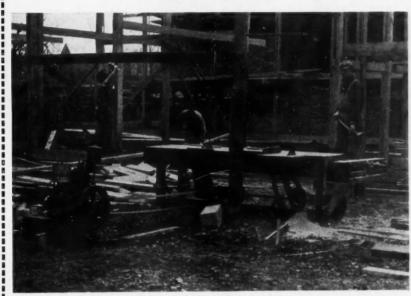
With my jointer and boring machine I can build a window frame without the use of a hand-tool except a hammer. On one end of the bench I have fixed up a band-saw that I use to rip out tenons and splices in barn work.

My machine consists of rip saw, cut-off saw, band saw, jointer and matcher, boring machine and sand paper drum. There are not very many cuts about a building or many pieces of work that I cannot do on my little machine. It does all the heavy work, and the longer I work with it, the more I discover it is able to do.

As you will see, my woodworking machine is driven by a small gasoline engine, mounted separately. I find that this is convenient.

# Chris. Henderson, Contractor and Builder,

XENIA, ILLINOIS.



Having purchased a new Mortising machine, I am now prepared to do all kinds of

# PLANING AND JOINING.

# Window and Door Frame Work a Specialty.

It will be to your advantage to consult me when you intend building a house or barn on your farm.

My experience in the carpentering and building line enables me to give the best work for the least money.

# Chris. Henderson.

Phone 56.

Little Hand Bill Which Brings in Some Business

Since investing in this outfit I have been able to build up a much better business than I ever had before. I have had a quantity of hand bills printed and distribute them around where I think they will do me some good. Xenia isn't a big town, but I find business comes in to me from all around the surrounding country. The power woodworker seems to interest the people and brings their business my way. Then it enables me to do their work in good shape and they come again.



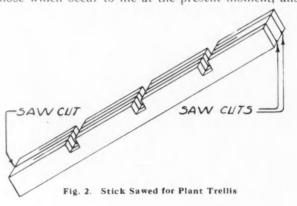
IMMIE was getting out some stuff, yesterday, which struck me as being capable of considerable development in the way of winter work, as well as being worth while for summer. By the use of his machine he got out a lot of lattice work from boards of common thickness, with the crossings halved together, making it so cheaply and neatly that it would

Fig. 1. Screen Braced with Ready Made Lattice

seem practically available for various novel purposes. He first took boards S2S. and the wider the better: and cut half way through across one side, grooves as wide as he wanted the members of his lattice and as far apart as the desired width of the opening therein. In order that the openings might be of exactly uniform width he gaged the spaces by means of a little stop fitting inside the grooves, so that each one

was automatically spaced from its predecessor. After the required number of boards were grooved he proceeded to rip them, with a fine-toothed and smoothcutting saw, to the width of the grooves. It was then merely a matter of driving the pieces together and sanding the surfaces on the sand wheel which he has affixed to the lower wheel of his band saw.

It struck me that one might advantageously make up quite a lot of this stuff in winter, gluing the joints, and that it could be profitably used for many purposes. Those which occur to me at the present moment, and



# Jimmie's Combination Machine

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Part V.

DIAGONAL LATTICE WORK—IDEA FOR PLANT TRELLIS— WIDE BOARD SIDING WORK

By W. D. Graves

which, of course, but represent the possibilities, are for bracing screen doors somewhat as shown in Fig. 1, for filling the whole lower panel of such screens as are exposed to the assaults of children and dogs, and as a part of brackets and grilles of various sorts. Variety may be attained by cutting the grooves at other than right angles and so making the openings of diamond shape.

The dado head and the smooth cutting saw—any fine toothed and moderately stiff saw may be made to cut almost as smooth as a plane by keeping it in prime order and feeding it slowly—make the halving together a very simple and cheap process, while having the stuff glued up in comparatively large pieces makes

it practicable to quickly cut out just what is wanted for the purpose hand. The slight waste which will be unavoidable will be far more than compensated by the gain in making the stuff in quantity; a gain, by the way, which is far more material than the hand worker is apt to realize.

Seeing Jimmie at this work reminded me of a Fig. 3. Artistic Plant Trellis Opened Out

sort of plant trellis we used to make years ago, so I made three which were accepted with a quite effusive appearance of gratitude by Harriet and a couple of our heighbors. Perhaps I shouldn't speak in quite that way, as the gratitude was doubtless real; but I have so often noticed such marked difference in the aspect of people when asked to accept a gift and when asked to buy that I am perhaps a trifle pessimistic. I have probably made cords of those little trellises in my

# W@DWORKERS

day, and have perhaps sold a scant half dozen; but I count it worth while to know how to make them for the smiles they have won me. Though smiles are not bankable they are apt to be a pretty good business asset; and it's a sure good business proposition for a man in the building trade to stand in with the women.

You take a stick sufficiently long and wide, dado across one side and half way through, a sufficient number of grooves. This stick is then ripped, nearly, but not quite, the whole length, somewhat in the manner shown in Fig. 2. You also saw out sundry strips of a size to fit snugly in the dadoes; then you spread apart and bend the various members of the larger piece, securing them by driving into the dadoes some of the smaller ones; all substantially as shown in Fig. 3. The various ends are trimmed to suit, and the variety of designs possible is limited only by the originality of the maker.

One of Jimmie's recent jobs was that of building a house in a semi-rustic style quite common along the west coast, and which may or may not last and spread. Its most striking peculiarity is that the outside, after being sheathed and papered as usual, is covered with wide inch boards lapped same as bevel siding.

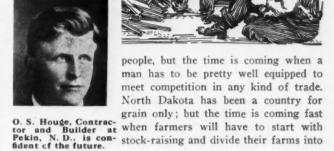
As boards as wide as 12 inches are often used, usually left rough and unpainted, it is necessary, in order to secure them properly, to have a lot of wedge-shaped pieces to fill in behind. I am told that some contractors have these wedges sawed by hand; though I don't know any such, and don't want to, for they would be too slow even for me. Jimmie did his on the machine.

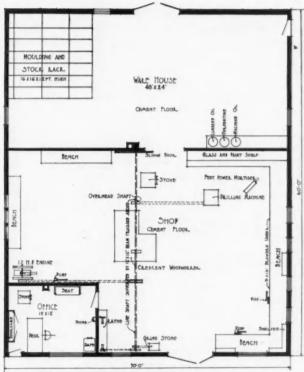
#### Power Shop Provides for Future

To the Editor: Pekin, N. D.

Here are photo and floor plan of my power shop, which I promised you some time ago—really before I had it complete. The floor plan will give you the different sizes.

It may look like a large investment in a small town of 300





Floor Plan, Showing Arrangement of Houge's Shop



Business-like Shop of Contractor O. S. Houge, at Pekin, N. D.-Measures 30 by 60 feet

smaller farms, and more people will move in. Then, of course, there will have to be more building.

There will also be different kinds of work which can be done in a shop, in the winter time, when the building season O. S. HOUGE,

Contractor and Builder,

Design for Builder's Shop

To the Editor: Arcadia, Nebr.

I am planning on building a small carpenter shop. I do not want to put a dollar more into it than is absolutely necessary. I want it small, compact, convenient, large enough and so arranged that I can do my framing inside in bad weather, arranged to make window and door frames, screens, etc. Arranged so I can put in more machinery later, such as boring machine, sander, planer, jig saw, turning lathe, etc. All I want at present is rip and cross cut saw and dado. Want an office to do drafting, figuring, etc., in. Places arranged to keep blueprints, plans, etc., arranged so I can lay my hands on them without looking over a lot of other papers.

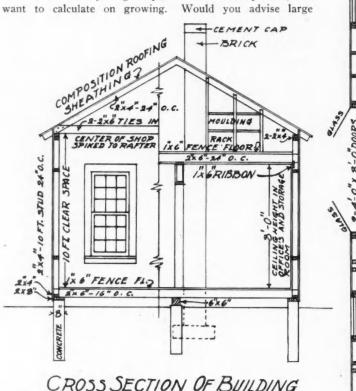
Where would you advise me to get my equipment, and what kind? There isn't enough work here to put in a well equipped shop at present. Please advice me as to plans, construction, etc. Would you advise ground floor to work on? Store room above? Two story? Drop siding walls? Size of windows and how many? Arrange for heat later on? (Could not heat at present.) Office and shop built together? Engine house built on outside?

I haven't a very large capital to invest at present, but

rial such as roofings of all kinds, different kinds of woods, flooring of all kinds, weather board of all kinds, different styles of drop siding, brick of all kinds, stains and paints, hardware of different kinds and styles. I would also like to display some of my work such as screen doors, window Louis M. Brown, screens, window frames, etc. Contractor and Builder.

Answer: We take pleasure in sending you herewith drawings showing our suggestion for a small wood working shop, planned along the lines suggested in your letter. You will see that we have made this into two general parts; one a shop proper, and the other the offices and display room. By using 10 foot studs throughout we are able to get a clear space 10 feet high in the shop. This is desirable for ease in handling large doors, tall cases and other sizable pieces. The ceiling over the office and store section is 8 feet high, which leaves considerable space overhead for the storage of lumber, etc.

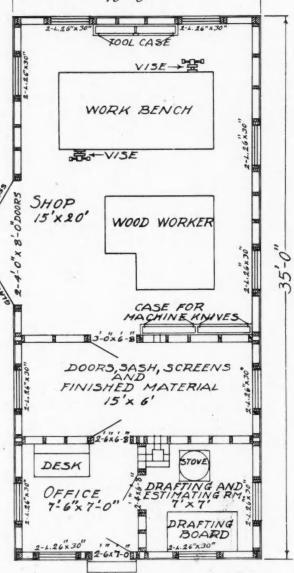
We wish our readers who have power woodworking shops would write giving their opinions as to the questions above. Both Mr. Brown and other prospective shop builders will be interested to see photos and plans of your shops. Send them in and we will illustrate them.



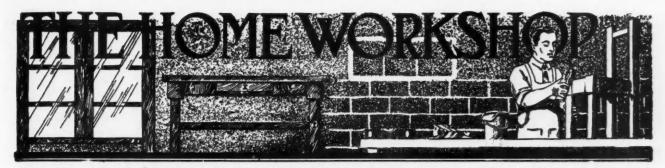
# CROSS SECTION OF BUILDING

signboard above shop? I believe in advertising. I want to let the public know what I have, what I am doing, and what I can do.

I want to begin building shop soon. I want my office arranged to display by building books. I am well satisfied with my "Cyclopedia of Construction," and have about 40 issues of American Carpenter and Builder. I have a number of plan books, and other books relating to building, catalogues, etc., and intend to get more. I also would like some arrangement for displaying samples of building mate-



FLOOR PLAN OF SHOP



# How to Make a Fern Stand

AND COMPLETE DIRECTIONS FOR MAKING AND FINISHING THIS EASILY-MADE PIECE OF FURNITURE

By Ira S. Griffith

of Mr. O. Spear of Indianapolis. It is constructed of black walnut and finished in the natural color.

STOCK BILL FOR FERN STAND Posts, 4 pieces, 11/2 by 11/2 by 281/2 inches, S-4-S. Rails, 4 pieces, 34 by 2 by 13 inches, S-4-S. Rails, 4 pieces, 34 by 1½ by 13 inches, S-4-S. Slats, 12 pieces, 38 by 2½ by 7 inches, S-2-S. Bottom, 1 piece, 3/4 by 121/2 by 121/2 inches, S-2-S.

Remove the mill marks from the surfaces of the various pieces that are specified as squared on four sides: Remove the mill marks likewise from the two surfaces of the other pieces and square them to width, shaping the slats as indicated in the drawing. These slats may be made with vertical sides if desired. Saw the various pieces to their proper lengths and shape the posts as the drawing indicates.

In laying out the mortises the posts may be set upright in the positions they are to assume in the finished piece relative to one another and the approximate locations marked roughly as with penciled circle. After this has been done they may be laid upon the bench top side by side and the top ends evened by means of the trysquare and the accurate locations of mortise ends determined by measurement and marked with a very sharp pointed pencil. These lines will need to be carried across the two inner surfaces—the faces. The posts must be placed, when in the vertical position, so that faces shall be turned in. Faces are more likely to be square than are the other surfaces and the joints are, therefore, more likely to fit snugly.

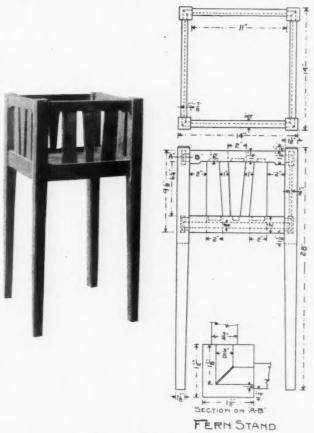
Since the rails are all of the same length they may have their lengths marked across the face edges at one operation. After this they may be separated and these lines scored entirely around the two ends to indicate the shoulders of the tenons. After the tenons are gauged and sawed the rabbet for holding the bottom may be worked.

In assembling the piece the two opposite sides may be glued and clamped first. After the glue on these has hardened, the remaining parts may be placed and the whole clamped. See that the rails are square with the posts and that the diagonals are equal.

Remove all surplus glue after the glue has hardened

HE fern stand shown this month is the work and sandpaper any rough places. Much time may be saved if sandpapering is pretty well done before assembling.

> For a natural finish—which is as pretty as any for walnut-apply a coating of paraffine oil, or boiled linseed oil is equally good in case the first is not avail-



Photograph and Working Drawing of Fern Stand

able. Apply with a cloth and after allowing it to stand some twenty minutes wipe the surplus liquid off. Allow this to stand at least forty-eight hours and then apply a very thin coat of shellac. Allow the shellac to stand over night and then sandpaper it smooth using number oo paper. Upon this shellac base apply several coats of some good furniture or floor wax.



# The Garage Door Problem PART 2—ABRANGING TRACKS WHERE DOORWAY IS NOT FULL WIDTH OF FRONT

By E. J. G. Phillips

Engineer with the Richards-Wilcox Mfg. Co.

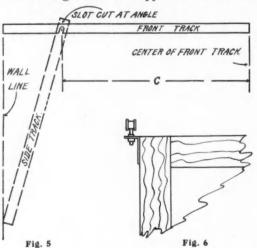
Fig. 4 shows a condition which is more frequently met with, that is, a garage in which there is a foot or more space between the jambs and the side wall and yet not space enough to slide the doors. In this case the doors can also be hung with the right angle door hangers already described, sliding the doors over

SIDE TRACK

Plan View of Right Angle Doors

against the side wall. A slightly different arrangement of the track is required, but if erected as described below,

a satisfactory working job may be had. the hangers have been attached to the doors, measure the distance "C" from the front edge of the door to the center of the rear hanger pendant, and lay off this dimension on the top of the front track, measuring either side of the center and draw a line, Fig. 5. Then with the track lying on the floor, place one end of the side track on top of the front track over the line and the other end in a line at right angles with the out end of the front track and mark the angle which side track makes with front track. The slots in front track will then be cut with hack saw and chisel to this same angle and will appear as shown in Fig.



5. The side tracks may be supported with the regular side brackets by placing a board across the corner of the building to which the brackets can be attached or the track may be attached to the ceiling with suitable brackets. In this case the front end of the side tracks should extend into the wall 2 inches and if the angle of this track is great, the back ends of tracks should enter walls a short distance. The front track should extend entirely across front of building and two inches into side walls.

On rare occasions there may not be headroom enough to use one track above another and in these cases it is

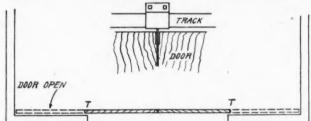


Fig 7. Sliding Doors Where There is Free Wall Space

necessary to use a rear hanger with pendant same length as front hanger and to attach rear hanger to door with special irons as shown in Fig. 6. The front track will then be made only about 4 inches longer than width of opening and the side tracks will be placed against the ends of front track and at the same height. Special fixtures are, however, to be avoided whenever possible because of extra trouble and expense involved.

If, as shown in Fig. 7, there is sufficient wall space adjoining the opening to slide the doors straight back and yet clear, a pair of simple sliding doors may be used, preferably hung on the inside of building. These doors require no special comment as builders are quite familiar with their use, except that hangers with both vertical and laterial adjustment should be used. The lateral adjustment provides for running the doors close to the jambs, assisting in keeping out the weather, while the vertical adjustment provides for the proper clearance between the floor and the bottom of the door. Of course it is unnecessary to say that the trolley or box shaped tracks are in every way superior to the old flat rail tracks and should always be used. A center stop bracket may be used over the center of the opening to stop the doors. A small notch is cut out of each door to receive the stop, see Fig. 7.

#### Where Small Hinged Door Compels Sliding All to One Side

Another type of building is shown in Fig. 8, in which a small swing door is located near the large door in the front wall, prohibiting the sliding of main doors toward both sides of building. In this case a single right angle door may be used, fitted with hangers and track as described above, except that in the case of a single door two four-wheel hangers should be used, a hanger with short pendant for the front end of the

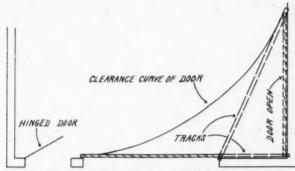


Fig. 8. Plan View-Wide Door to Slide All one Way

door and a hanger with long pendant for the rear end of the door. If, however, the car is nearly the length of the garage and too much space would be required to swing the large door around the corner (see clearance curve of door), two doors may be used, hinged together as shown in Fig. 9. As shown, a curved section of track is necessary and three hangers suitable for operating in curved track must be used. Hangers similar to the four wheel hanger for right angle doors, except that frame is knuckle jointed, are satisfactory. The center hanger must have a special plate for attaching to doors, which will bring the center of the pendant over the joint between the two doors.

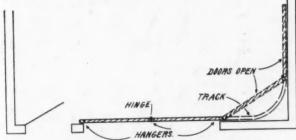


Fig. 9. Two Narrow Doors to Slide one Way

To make a tight job, the meeting styles of the doors should either be astragals or be rabbetted. The doors when open will stand as shown in the illustration. To use the curved track, at least two feet of space is required between the jamb and the side wall.

If there is sufficient wall space the doors for this

opening may be hung as shown in Fig. 10, using one track with a compound curve. The 'oors will then when open stand side by side along the front wall and when closed, will hang in a continuous line across the opening. The double tracks may be attached to the head jamb with double brackets as shown in Fig. 10 at F, or separate ceiling attachment brackets may be used for each track. The hangers will have to be located somewhat farther from the edge of the door than is

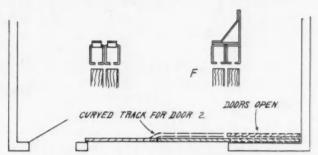


Fig. 10. Two Narrow Doors to Slide one Back of the Other

customary for ordinary sliding doors; and hangers with knuckle jointed frame are necessary for the door which operates in the curved track. Much time and worry can be saved if the builder will be careful to locate the track and hangers exactly according to the specifications or sketch which reputable manufacturers are willing to furnish. Make the meeting stiles of the doors astragals. This outfit operates very satisfactorily and is well liked because both doors can be hung close to the jamb at top and at both sides, but if it is desirable to use weather strips at the bottom, the doors should be hung with parallel tracks as shown in Fig. 11. In this case, the jamb G should be furred out to meet the door and the head jamb at H should also be

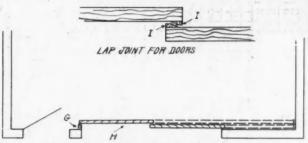


Fig. 11. Door Leaves Slide on Parallel Tracks

extended out to meet door. If the hanger aprons are set into the doors flush, less space is required between the doors for clearance in operating, but a better and cheaper method of closing the joint between the doors is shown in the sketch where I-I are strips ½ inch thick and I inch wide nailed to the doors. The doors can then have from 5% to 34 inches space between them, allowing sufficient clearance for hanger aprons and nuts and yet when closed the two strips lap from ½ to 3% inches making a tight joint.

Next month Mr. Phillips will discuss some other arrangements of sliding Garage Doors.



# Handy Charts for Figuring Furnace Pipes

SIMPLE AND RELIABLE SCHEME FOR QUICKLY DETERMINING SIZE OF PIPE REQUIRED TO HEAT

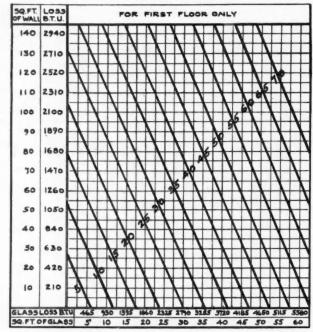
By Cecil F. Herington

FULLY realized," said the Old Builder. "that the average person is likely to experience difficulty and make errors in trying to figure out the size of furnace pipes by the B.T.U. method, which was given in the April and May issues of the American Carpenter and Builder, and for that reason I am giving a little chart which is accurate and has proved a great help to me for quick work.

"It would be more correct to say two charts, since the pipe sizes for the first and second floors are different for equal wall and glass surface, owing to the fact that the air rises more rapidly to the second floor. In the chart shown in Fig. 1 (which is for first-floor pipes) the numbers of square inches required are represented in heavy diagonal lines across the chart, while the net wall area is given in the first column on the left-hand side. At the bottom of the chart, across the last line, is given the number of square feet of glass and door area. This chart is made for a room with southern exposure and of good construction. To obtain accurate results, it is necessary to make the corrections as stated at the bottom of the chart; that is to say, whatever number of square inches is shown as required by the chart, this amount must be increased by 10 per cent, if the building, instead of being of good construction, is only of a medium grade work, while if the work is poor, the increase should be 20 per cent instead of 10 per cent.

"Besides this addition, if the room faces east instead of south, another 10 per cent must be added, or if it

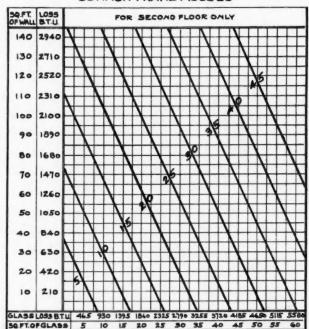
# FURNACE PIPE AREAS IN SQUARE INCAES



Note... The above is for good construction and 5. Exposure Add as follows:—medium construction 10%, poor 20%, East exposure 10%, West 20%, North 25%, Cold attic above 10%, Cold cellar beneath 10%

Fig. 1. First Floor Chart

FURNACE PIPE AREAS IN SQUARE INCHES



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Fig. 2. Second Floor Chart

faces west, 20 per cent, and north, 25 per cent. A cold attic above means another increase of 10 per cent, as does likewise a cold cellar beneath.

"For example: taking the room considered in the May issue, which is a first-floor parlor with two outside walls, one 14 feet long facing north, and one 12 feet long facing east, with two windows on the north side and one window on the east side. We found that this room had 110 square feet of wall with north exposure and 30 square feet of glass. Without going into the computation we can run up to the left-hand column of the chart shown in Fig. 1, under the heading 'Sq. Ft. of Wall,' until we come to the number 110, and we can run across the bottom line, which reads in 'Sq. Ft. of Glass,' until we come to 30. Following up the 30-line until opposite the 110, we find that we are located between the diagonal lines marked '45' and '50' at about 2/5 the distance from 45 to 50, so that the number of square inches required is 47.

"This, however, is for southern exposure and must be increased 25 per cent, which means 12 square inches more, to obtain the amount for northern exposure. Then, taking the east wall, which we figured out at 105 square feet of wall and 15 square feet of glass, following across the bottom line of the chart shown in Fig. 2 to the 15-mark and up the 15-line to a point opposite 105 in the left-hand column (half way between 100 and 110) we find that we are between the lines marked '30' and '35,' at a distance of about 3/5 from 30 to 35 or about 33 square inches. This must have 10 per cent added to get east exposure, Adding these two together we find that the 36 plus 59 equals a total of 95 square inches.

"As the building we were considering was of medium construction, we add 10 per cent, and as it had a cold cellar we allow another 10 per cent, or a total of 20 per cent more, which means an additional 19 square inches, bringing our total up to 114 square inches required, which is about 8 square feet, whereas, by actual computation we obtained 83 square feet. This slight variation is due to not reading the table with mathematical precision; but is quite near enough for all practical purposes.

"To use the second-floor chart, which is shown in Fig. 2, we can take the same upstairs bedroom which we were considering in the May issue, this room having a 10-foot length wall with two 5 by 3-foot windows and facing south. Because of there being but one exposed wall in this room, it is much easier to obtain from the chart than the first one. With the net wall area of 70 square feet, which we locate in the left-hand column of the second-floor chart, and then running across the bottom line until we strike 30 feet of glass and following up this 30-line until we reach a point opposite the 70 just located, we find we are about 2/5 the distance between the 25 and 30 heavy lines or 27 square inches required. Adding the 10 per cent for medium construction and another 10 per

cent for a cold attic, we find that our total pipe area must be 32 square inches, which is .22 of a square foot, or exactly the area obtained in our previous mathematical calculation.

"These charts are so simple that even one who does not understand heating will be able to obtain results of a very high character by following the directions and of absolute accuracy. It will be noted that the loss in B.T.U. is also given opposite the number of square feet of wall and above the number of square feet of glass, that is to say 144 square feet of wall with southern exposure, and under other normal conditions will radiate about 2940 B.T.U., while 60 square feet of glass under the same conditions will radiate about 5580 B.T.U. It will also be noted that, as the hot air brings in approximately 1 B.T.U. per cubic foot which is available for heating, this loss in B.T.U. also equals the number of cubic feet of air which must be supplied per hour from the furnace to offset this loss.

"For instance, on our second-story bedroom, the 70 square feet of wall are shown in the second column to radiate 1470 B.T.U. and will therefore require 1470 cubic feet of hot furnace air per hour to counteract this loss, while the 30 square feet of glass will radiate 2790 B.T.U., requiring 2790 cubic feet of hot furnace air to counteract this second loss. The sum of the two (1470 plus 2790) equals 4260 cubic feet per hour, or 71 cubic feet per minute, which, with the 20 per cent correction for the cold attic above and medium construction, gives 85 cubic feet per minute required—exactly as previously found.

"Later," concluded the Old Builder, "I will give you similar charts on steam heating radiator surface and hot water surface so that anyone who can figure out his wall and window areas will know exactly what size radiator he requires."



#### **Forest Notes**

The forests of Florida contain 175 different kinds of wood.

There are seven spruces in the United States. Four are confined to the west; two to the east; while one, white spruce, has a continent-wide distribution.

Sawmill waste of Douglas fir, of which an enormous quantity is found in the western forests, is being used to make paper pulp by a mill at Marshfield, Oregon.

In proportion to its weight, California redwood is the strongest conifer so far tested at the U. S. forest products laboratory. This strength is due to its long wood fibers.

The Philippine bureau of forestry reports that American and European lumbermen are trying to secure large and regular shipments of Philippine woods mainly for cabinet making.

Experiments with various chemical extinguishers for fighting national forest fires have not been very successful. The unlimited supply of oxygen in the open, forest officers say, tends to neutralize the effect of the chemicals.

# Ventilation—Warming the Air

SIMPLE AND EFFICIENT METHOD IN USE IN SCHOOLS AND OTHER PUBLIC BUILDINGS By Harold L. Alt, M. E.

FTER the air of ventilation has been properly purified, moistened and raised to the proper temperature there still remains the problem of carrying this air to the various points of outlet and also the problem of regulating the temperature so as to make the air delivered of the temperature desired regardless of outside weather conditions.

This problem has been solved by several methods,

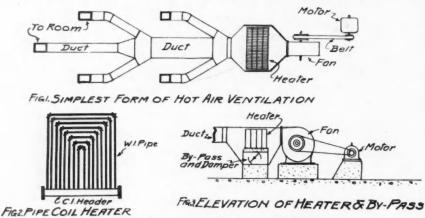
while the cheapest of the several methods giving positive ventilation, is open to the objection that the rooms on the north side are quite likely not to require air of as low a temperature as those on the south side, while those on the windy side must undoubtedly have warmer air fed into them than those on the sheltered side. Consequently with the single duct or trunk line system the air is almost sure to be of the wrong

temperature for 50 per cent of the building. Even with this disadvantage this system of ventilation is a great step in advance of the "indirect" or "direct-indirect" nonpositive methods previously mentioned.

For those of our readers who may not be familiar with the method of heating large quantities of air for use in this manner, it may be interesting to state that this heating is accomplished by either steam or hot water in combination with

Main Parts of Ventilating and Warming System extraordinary large radiators which are called heating stacks or coils. These heaters may be constructed of iron pipes in a manner similar to the ordinary pipe coil as shown in Fig. 2, or they may consist of special cast iron sections made for this sort of work and having on the surface pro-

jecting lugs against which the air strikes, thus secur-



the simplest of which is to heat all the air to the same temperature and to distribute it to the various rooms through a trunk line system of ducts. This means that one large size duct is used from which branches are taken, the main duct gradually reducing in size down to the last outlet as shown in Fig. 1. This system,



The New Wentworth School at West Hammond, Ill., Classed as a Model High School Building

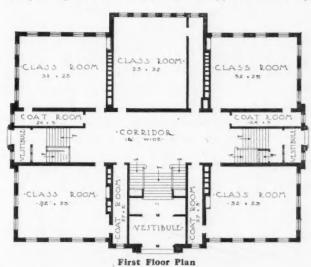
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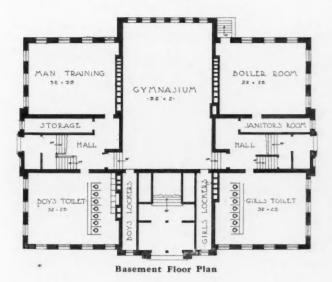
Regulation of temperature is generally maintained by turning on one or more rows of these heaters as required in order to produce air of the desired temperature for delivery into the room. Graduations between these various fixed points can also be accomplished by placing a bypass below the heater with a damper so arranged as to bypass a certain amount of the air around the coils and mixing it with the hot air on the other side. This is shown in Fig. 3.

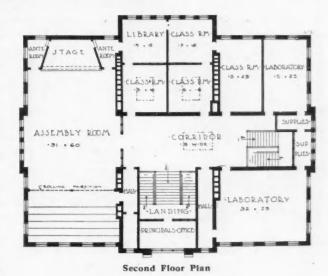
For example, if four sections of the heater raise the temperature to 86 degrees and three sections to 68 degrees and it is desired to have the air at 75 degrees, it could be accomplished by opening up the four sections and also partially opening the bypass damper, thus allowing the 86 degree air to be diluted on the other side of the heater by mixing with the cooler air until the desired temperature is reached.

#### Model High School at West Hammond, Ill.

W E present herewith photograph and floor plan diagrams of the new high school building recently completed for school district 155, Cook County,







Ill., located at West Hammond. The school authorities unite in pronouncing this in every way a model building for high school purposes. It was designed by the well known school house architect, G. W. Ashby, of Chicago.

The main entrance in front leads into a wide vestibule and into a hall from which five large, well lighted class rooms open. Each of these class rooms on the main floor is provided with a cloak room of ample size, well ventilated and lighted.

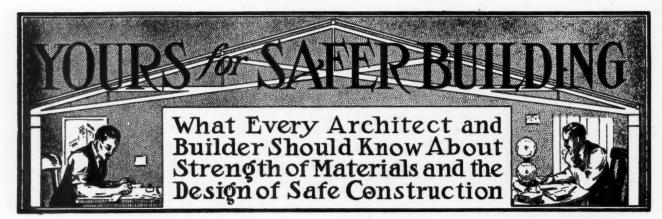
On the second floor there is a large assembly room extending the full width of the building from front to back. This assembly room is provided with a platform or stage and the necessary anterooms, so that student theatricals and other entertainments can be satisfactorily presented. A set of roll partitions about two-thirds of the way back in the assembly room divides this room into two nice large class rooms when occasion requires. Each room has its own separate entrance from the main hall.

Besides the assembly hall, the second floor gives space for the physical and mechanical laboratories, supply rooms, library, principal's office, and four class rooms.

In the basement are gymnasium, manual training room, toilets and locker rooms; also the heating plant. The basement is entered by way of two side doors, one at either end of the building.



HE most blessed of human endeavors is service—the service that educates and builds, and makes this old world a better and a happier place in which to live and work. Service is the spirit of the hour. It blesses him that gives and him that receives; it is the brotherhood of man in business; it is a helping hand extended unselfishly; it is bread cast upon the waters; it is a way of helping ourselves by helping each other. The best that can be said of any man is this: He served others that they might better serve themselves."—I. H. C. Service Bureau.



# Noon-Hour Talks by the Boss Carpenter

Talk No. 18-Column Footings

THE BOSS TELLS HOW TO FIGURE CONCRETE FOOTINGS FOR COLUMNS AND SHOWS DIFFERENT TYPES USED IN CONSTRUCTION

E have seen," said the Boss, "that it may be necessary to widen to a considerable amount the footings under foundation walls where these walls rest upon soft soils, or where they carry heavy loads. As already explained, the effects of this widening may be to demand either the installation of a heavy stepped footing, or the use of steel in a lighter slab of concrete to provide the necessary tensile strength to resist splitting by bending. The stress conditions existing in a thin footing were illustrated in Fig. 38, Talk No. 17.

"Concrete footings for columns where quite a considerable surface area is needed to provide the necessary resistance to the supported load, must also, as in the case of wall footings, be either stepped or reinforced. A comparatively simple method was shown in Talk No. 17 for use in strengthening the projecting slab in a wall footing; but for column footings, the problem is not quite so simple. A comparison of conditions in a wall footing and in a column will show that, while the wall footing may be considered to be in a condition similar to that of a number of individual cantilevers extending outward from each side of a long wall; each one loaded uniformly with an amount equal to the upward earth pressure, the column footing is approximately in the condition of a flat plate supported and fastened at the middle to a vertical support, and bearing a uniformly distributed load on the surface of the plate, equal in intensity to the upward earth pressure.

"It can be readily seen that a plate of this type would need reinforcement crossing and extending in two and possibly four directions across the column. Figs. 43 to 48 show methods of arranging these reinforcing bars as followed in different types of design.

"In the case of the wall footing, the bending moment at the wall line was assumed to be that of a uniformly loaded cantilever, as explained; but in the case of a flat plate with a central support, the maximum bending moment is not so simply or accurately obtained. "I have just read a method of obtaining the greatest bending moment in a footing, given in Taylor and Thompson's 'Concrete, Plain and Reinforced,' which seems to be simple and is stated to be of good service in both round and square footings. Where a square footing is used, the value of r used in Formula 13, is found by taking the distance from the center of the footing out to the middle of the space between a circle drawn entirely around the outside of the footing, and another drawn entirely within the footing, and just tangent to the sides of same. Where a square column is used on top of a square footing, the average radius of the column, found in the same manner, is to be used in the first line of values in the table of constants given.

"Formula given is as follows:

 $M = w r^2 (2/10 + C_1 + C_2) ... (Formula No. 13)$ 

M = Maximum bending moment at edge of column, in foot-pounds per foot of width, or inch-pounds per inch of width.

w = Uniform earth pressure under footing, in pounds per square foot.

r = Average radius of circumscribed and inscribed circles of column, in feet, and the stress  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are taken from the table given below.

Value of Constants for Use in Formula No. 13

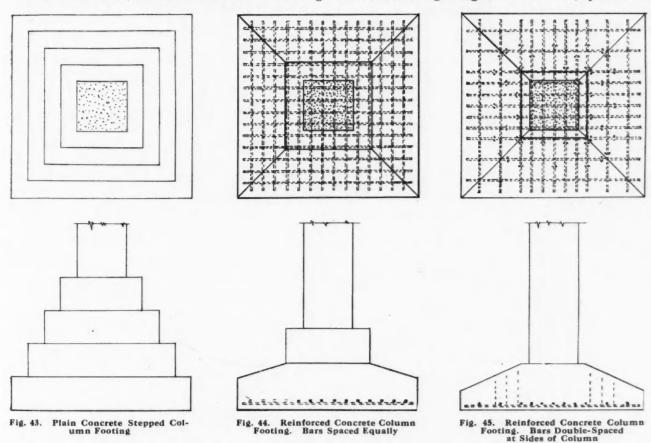
Ratio of Slab Average Radius to Column Average Radius.	$\mathrm{c}_{\scriptscriptstyle 1}$	$C_2$
2	0.72	0.19
2.5	1.44	0.13
3	2.47	0.70
3.5	3.82	1.53
4	5.50	2.65
4.5	7.52	4.05
5	9.95	5.84

"The depth of the footing at the line where the column joins the footing may be determined by formulas 12 to 12<sup>d</sup>, as given in Talk No. 17. In applying

formula,  $12^a$ , care should be taken to notice that M is in inch-pounds per inch of width, and use b as equal to unity. The remainder of the design is similar to the problem of a wall footing already shown, and must be investigated in a similar manner.

"Other engineers and builders when calculating column footings, divide the footing up into strips one foot wide extending outward from the line of the base of the column or block upon which the column rests, and treat these strips as cantilevers uniformly loaded with an amount equal to the upward pressure of the soil. Often the thickness of the footing is assumed, and then the amount of steel cross-section needed per strip one foot wide is determined. The compressive stress resulting in the concrete must then be figured. After the size and number of rods per foot of width has been determined, each foot of width of the footing

of a block or plinth under the column. Mr. Godfrey says that in a square slab supporting a column, 'The slab should be surmounted by a plinth or block of concrete upon which the column rests. The depth of the slab should be governed by the upward pressure of the soil on all of the area of the slab outside of this plinth, allowing a unit in shear (on the section that would be sheared if this plinth should sink into the soil) of 40 pounds per square inch. Rods should all pass under this plinth; that is, there should be four sets-two parallel to the sides of the slab, and two diagonally. Rods parallel to the sides of the slab, lying toward the edges and not under the plinth, would be of little or no use. They will only serve to intensify the stress of the rods at right angles to themselves which do lie under the upper block or plinth. The use of rods at right angles to each other, spaced uni-



is provided with these bars, and the result is similar to that shown in Fig. 44.

"Others advocate the use of two main sets of crossed rods extending from side to side of the footing directly under the column; and two diagonal sets of rods crossing under the column, similar to the scheme shown in Fig. 46. These diagonal rods are used to reinforce the corners, and should not leave any considerable space of footing uncovered.

"Edward Godfrey, in his work on 'Concrete,' makes a statement in regard to the design of column footings, evidently without reinforcement for diagonal tension, which may prove of interest since it refers to the use formly both ways, is a common but irrational method of reinforcement.'

"Heidenreich, in his 'Engineer's Pocketbook,' gives a method of determining the amount and arrangement of the reinforcing bars which seems to be simple and at least logical. He suggests that after the area of the column base is deducted from the area of the footing, the remainder of the footing is to be considered as eight cantilevers—four running parallel to the sides, and four extending along the diagonals of the footing. One-eighth of the total upward pressure on the area around the column base is supported by each cantilever, and acts at the center of gravity of the cantilever as

in the case of a uniformly distributed load. This allows the value of M for each cantilever to be easily found by the principles shown in Talk No. 17; and the depth and amount of reinforcement may be found as in the case of a wall footing. Care should be taken to keep all units consistent in figuring the bending moment, in either foot-pounds or inch-pounds. It is seen that this method provides for four sets of rods crossing under the column, and seems to be a rational arrangement of reinforcement, since it transmits the pressure directly to the base of the column.

"In these footings it must be remembered that, as in the case of wall footings, the depth d is only to the center of the rods. It is common to add 2 or 3 inches to this dimension to get the total depth of the footing."

The Boss then completed the set of drawings showing different types of column footings, and called attention to the fact that the absence of stirrups or bentup bars in most of these illustrations indicated either low shearing stresses when the footing is tested for shear or else a lack of consideration for shear or diagonal tension in the concrete. He also mentioned that it is well to apply the formula

$$v = \frac{V}{bid}$$

which was given in Talk No. 17, when shear is to be investigated; and, if the value of v at the edges

of the column or its plate or block is more than 40 pounds per square inch, provision should be made against possible failure by diagonal tension, as indicated in the previous paper.

"It may be well to call attention at this point," said the Boss, "to the liability of excessive shearing stresses in the concrete, and large bond stresses between the steel and concrete, occurring in the design of footings. In choosing the sizes of plain, straight rods, the rule of imbedding the rods for a length on each side of the column equal to at least 50 diameters of rod should be kept in mind. If a twisted or deformed bar is used, this rule may not be necessary, but care should be taken to determine its bond value if a different ratio of length to diameter is used. If failure by slipping of the rods is feared, the ends of the rods may be bent and turned backward through an angle of 180 degrees, forming a smooth bend. This involves expense and care in placing.

"Fig. 43 shows the ordinary plain concrete stepped column footing, which is commonly designed by the rule of allowing the off-set to approximate one-half the depth of the stepped layer. This may necessitate the use of a considerable amount of concrete, and considerable excavation to get the needed width at the bottom.

"Fig. 44 shows a type of column footing reinforced with steel rods equally spaced and crossing in two

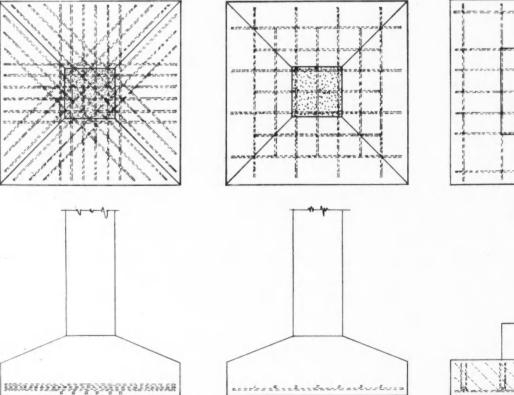


Fig. 46. Reinforced Concrete Column ooting. Bars Extending in Four Direc-

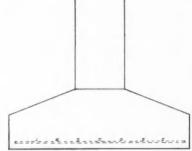
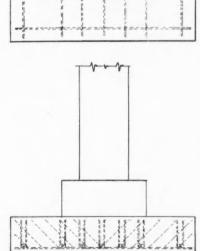


Fig. 47. Reinforced Concrete Column Footing. Ransome Type.



Reinforced Concrete Column Showing Use of Kahn Trussed

directions. It is possible that a part of the reinforcing steel near the outer edges in this type of footing might be omitted without appreciable effect. This has been done in Fig. 45 with apparent success, although it is probable that the spacing under the column in Fig. 45 is closer than in Fig. 44. A rule often used in the placing of reinforcing, as shown in Fig. 45, is to determine the spacing of the steel rods directly under the column such as to resist the bending moment at the column edge, and then space the rods in the parts of the footing outside the column lines at double the distance of those inside.

"In Fig. 46 a form of footing is shown in which rods extending diagonally are used in connection with the crossed rods. This form of reinforcing seems to find favor from the standpoint of supplying strength to the corners of the slab, where in other types they may be relatively weak or contain unnecessary rods.

"Fig. 47 shows a type of Ransome column footing which is seen to be of the same class as Figs. 44 and 45. Other instances of design might be shown; but the figures given illustrate, as previously stated, common types in use where the shearing stress in the concrete may not be sufficient to need the use of stirrups in order to prevent failure by diagonal tension in the concrete. The bond stress between the steel and concrete is also supposed to be within allowable limits. This discussion will be found, if forgotten, in Talk No. 17.

"Fig. 48 shows a form of footing used by the Trussed Concrete Steel Company. This type of footing, as will be seen, is provided with reinforcement against failure by diagonal tension, the reinforcing steel consisting of Kahn trussed bars extending in two directions. Two points to be noticed here are the use of the block under the column, and the grouping of the bars directly under the column. The block in this case is made 12 inches wider than the column for columns less than 24 inches in least diameter, and 16 inches wider for columns above 24 inches. The depth of the block is the same as for a plain concrete footing—that is, twice the projection from the side of the column.

"Where thin slabs which are to be reinforced against failure by diagonal tension are to be used, a method of determining the unit shearing intensity is needed. This may be done by multiplying the area outside of the column area, or area of a plinth or block if one is used, by the unit-pressure on the soil, and dividing this quantity by seven-eighths of the depth from the top of the footing to the center of the rods multiplied by the distance around the outside of the column or plinth. The depth referred to should be taken at the edge of the column or plinth. If this unit-value is greater than 40 pounds per square inch, assume that one-third of the unit-shear is taken by the concrete, and the other two-thirds by stirrups or bent-up bars, which must be provided and spaced in a manner indi-

cated by formulas  $(12^f)$ ,  $(12^g)$ , and  $(12^h)$  in Talk No. 17.

"Taylor and Thompson give a method of determining the number of stirrups for use in a footing of this type, which seems to be satisfactory and economical. They omit the area outside of a line around the entire footing which marks the limit of 40 pounds per square inch shear in the concrete. Then the new footing area outside the column base or plinth is multiplied by onehalf of the unit-shear which is supposed to be taken by the stirrups to obtain the total amount of stress to be resisted by the stirrups. The diameter of the stirrup needed is found as in formulas 12f and 12g in Talk No. 17; and the sectional area of one stirrup is multiplied by the working unit tensile strength of the steel, to obtain its holding value. Dividing the total amount of the shear or stress just found, by the value of one stirrup, will give the number of stirrups to be spaced around this entire area within the limits of the 40 pounds per square inch line and the base of the column or plinth.

"Bond stresses should be investigated by the use of formula 12<sup>g</sup>, using the amount of shear on each one of the elementary divisions considered in determining the amount of steel to be used in that division.

"In closing, it may be well to call attention to the need of depth in reinforced footings where common bars are used, in order to keep the shearing and bond stresses as low as possible. This will effect the value of the ratio between the area of cross-section of steel and concrete, if a size and spacing of bar has been determined upon and then the depth changed to lessen the shear or bond stresses. If the formulas for design given in Talk No. 17 are examined, it will be seen that there is a dependence one upon the other which must be considered in altering a value obtained by one of these formulas. It should also be noted, that, as the value of p changes in altering a design, the value of f<sub>8</sub> and f<sub>6</sub> may no longer bear the same ratio as assumed at the beginning of the work."

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# **Tool Chest Romance**

It is plane that I love you, he began.
Is that on the level? she asked.
Haven't I always been on the square with you? he urged.
But you have so many vices, she remonstrated.

Not a bit of it, he asserted.

What made you brace up? she queried coquettishly.

The fact that I saw you, he replied with a bow.

I ought to hammer you for that, she answered saucily.

Come and sit by me on the bench, he urged.

Suppose the others should file in? she murmured.

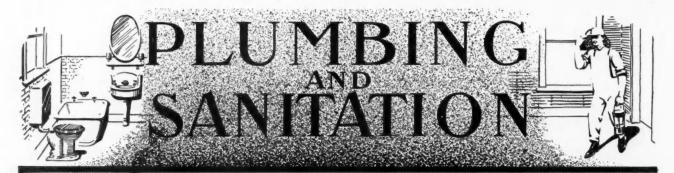
You couldn't let your arms compass me, she continued.

I know a preacher who's a good joiner, he suggested.

Promise not to chisel him out of his fee, she requested.

That wouldn't auger well for us, he answered.

Shall I wear the blue print? she asked, as they started for the license.—Exchange.



# How to Build a Septic Tank

PRINCIPLES OF ITS ACTION—SIZES AND DIMENSIONS ADAPTED TO RESIDENCE SE WAGE DISPOSAL—DETAILED METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

#### By Paul Chesterton

HILE the septic tank is rapidly driving out of existence the old types of cesspool and other unsanitary and disease-breeding forms of sewage-collecting vats and pits, but very few people understand the principle upon which the action of the septic tank depends. A great many have the idea that in order to start the action in a septic tank, some kind of material or some particular brand of germs or bacteria must be placed in the first batch of sewage allowed to enter the tank. This, however, is not the case, as will be shown.

#### What a Septic Tank Is

A septic tank consists of a water-tight underground enclosure used for the storage and purification of sewage. The enclosure is usually constructed of concrete or brick, but may be made of large glazed drain-tile bedded in concrete, or even from empty barrels. Often, in small work, an enclosure consisting of a single chamber is used, but tanks for the ordinary residence consist of two chambers. Larger tanks have even three or more chambers. Figs. 1 to 3 show different types of two-chamber tanks.

In the two-chamber tank ordinarily used, the sewage enters the first chamber through a curved pipe which extends below the normal water level of this chamber. This first compartment is provided with a tight-fitting cover that keeps out the light, air, and falling materials which would otherwise disturb the scum that forms on the surface of the liquid in this chamber.

The first compartment is closed off from the second by a wall, as shown in Fig. 2, or by a water seal, as shown in Fig. 1. Connection between the two chambers exists through the bent-pipe of Fig. 2, or through the narrow passage shown in Fig. 1. This second chamber is well ventilated. It also contains a connection which allows the discharge from the



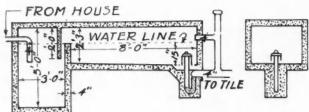
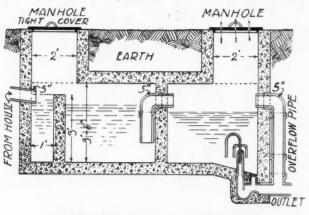


Fig. 1. Concrete Septic Tank for Use in Level Ground.

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The connection between the second compartment and the drain usually consists of an automatic siphon, as shown in Figs. 1 to 3. This siphon works intermittently, depending on the depth of the liquid in the second compartment. The pressure from the liquid on top of the bell of the siphon automatically regulates the periodic discharge of liquid into the drains leading to the beds for final disposal.

Working Principle of the Septic Tank. The action of the septic tank is based upon the fact that in nature organic



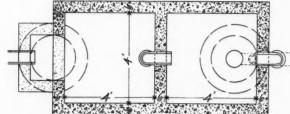


Fig. 2. Septic Tank with Separate Settling Chamber.

matter is broken down into inorganic compounds by certain types of bacteria. These bacteria are very small vegetable organisms which are widely distributed. They are found in air, water, and soil, as well as in the bodies of living animals and plants and in products derived from them. These bacteria are so small that a single drop of fluid may contain thousands of them.

In starting a septic tank, the first sewage to come into the tank is seeded with bacteria from the air, water, or soil. This army of little workers is divided into different classes, each class having its own special function. One class of bacteria is known as aerobic, and lives only in the presence of free air or oxygen. Another class is called anaerobic,

since it thrives only in the absence of air or oxygen. A third class is known as *facultative*, since bacteria of this class can live either in the presence of air or without air, as the case may be. Each one of these classes has its own work to perform in the purification of sewage. The aerobic bacteria prepare the way for the anaerobic army by using the supply of oxygen which exists in the sewage as it comes into

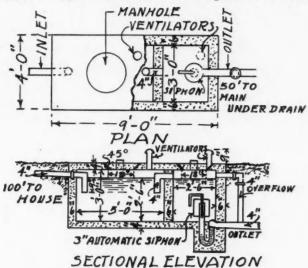


Fig. 3. Septic Tank for Use in Sloping Ground

the tank. It is bacteria of this class also which finish the work of purification when the sewage has passed through the tank and reached the beds where the effluent or discharge is finally deposited. The anaerobic bacteria, though comparatively few in number, are very active, and bring about the reduction or breaking-up of solid matter which settles to the bottom of the tank.

From the above, it may be seen that the septic tank is a laboratory in which a great number of busy little chemists are changing foul materials into comparatively clean and unobjectionable ones.

If we trace a quantity of sewage from the time it leaves a residence until it reaches its final destination, we shall find that it arrives in the tank in nearly the same condition as when it started from the house, except that possibly a small part of the oxygen has been removed by the aerobic bacteria in the drain-pipe. When the sewage passes into the tank, the heavier parts sink to the bottom; while the lighter parts rise to the top of the first chamber of the tank, there forming a thick scum. This scum is the workshop of the aerobic

bacteria, and also serves as a cover, shutting off light and air and thus protecting the active anaerobic bacteria who are at work on the solid material in the interior and at the bottom of the tank.

The aerobic bacteria at once set to work on the scum and those parts of the sewage which are exposed to the air, or on new sewage containing oxygen, and, by a putrefactive and fermentative process, change this part of the sewage to a liquid which contains no oxygen. After the incoming sewage is deprived of its oxygen, the anaerobic bacteria begin work on the solid matter in the interior and bottom of the tank, and change it into material which is again to be acted on by the aerobic bacteria at the surface or at a later stage.

When a new charge of sewage enters the tank, a part of that which has been acted on by the bacteria escapes to another chamber of the tank. The pipe or passage which takes this treated

sewage from the first tank to the second, is so arranged that the quantity of sewage passing out of the first tank is taken from that part of the tank midway between the scum at the top and the sediment at the bottom.

The partially purified sewage in the second chamber is removed at intervals by means of a hand-operated plug or an automatic siphon connected to the drain-pipe used to conduct the liquid away from the tank. The final step in the process of purification is completed by allowing the liquid, which is without oxygen, to flow out into a porous, air-filled bed of material to become thoroughly charged again with oxygen and acted upon once more by the aerobic bacteria in this bed. The result of this last action is the changing of the effluent into clear, practically pure and harmless liquid.

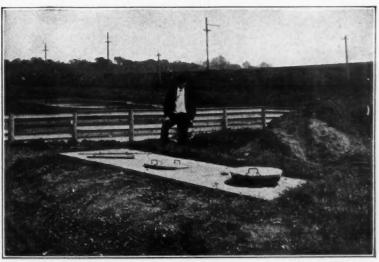
#### Sizes and Dimensions of Septic Tanks

The required size or capacity of a septic tank will depend upon the quantity of sewage which it is to receive daily. Large tanks for service in a community should be treated as special problems, and their design should be handled by an engineer who makes a specialty of this class of work.

Smaller tanks for private use may be built along the lines showns in Figs. 1 to 4. At least two compartments are necessary for satisfactory service—one for receiving the sewage, and liquefying it as above explained, and the other to serve as a storage or discharge chamber in which the automatic siphon is placed.

The capacity of the first chamber should be sufficient to hold from 24 to 36 hours' flow of sewage. The second chamber should be of a size such that the automatic siphon may be adjusted so as to cause a discharge about every 12 hours. In arranging the size of this second chamber, accurate data should be obtained from manufacturers of siphons, regarding the discharge depths and capacities of siphons, so that the discharge chamber may be built of a proper size and depth to discharge the required quantity of effluent at stated intervals.

The tank shown in Fig. 1 is that recommended by Messrs. Ocock and Wright of the University of Wisconsin, and is suitable for a family of about six persons. This tank is designed on the basis that each person will use on an average about 70 gallons of water each 24 hours. The first chamber holds about 400 gallons of sewage below the water line, and is 3 feet long, 4½ feet wide, and 5 feet high, inside dimensions. The second compartment is of the same width as the first, but is 8 feet long and 2 feet 3 inches high, and holds about 320 gallons to water line.



The pipe or passage which takes this treated Fig. 3A. Concrete Septic Tank Adaptable to Ordinary Town Residence or Country Home.

The sewer pipe enters the first compartment so that it is well above the natural water line of the tank. In Fig. 1 the center of the inlet pipe is about 8 inches down from the bottom of the cover. The inlet and outlet pipes are both 4 inches in diameter; also the vent and overflow pipe shown at the extreme right of the second chamber and connecting with the chamber and the drain-pipe.

The walls and cover of the tank are composed of Portland cement concrete mixed in the proportion of 1 part Portland cement, 2 parts clean, well-graded sand, and 4 parts crushed stone or screened gravel. The thickness of all concrete is 4 inches; and the top is well reinforced by using ¼-inch

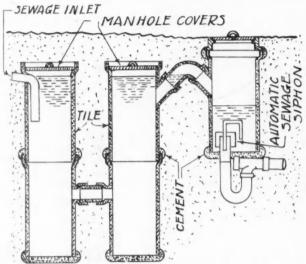


Fig. 4. A Sewer-Tile Septic Tank for Use with Small Residence.

steel rods laid crosswise of the tank about 1 inch up from bottom of slab, and spaced 4 inches apart:

Removable slabs are shown as a part of the top, one or two located over each compartment. These slabs are reinforced similar to the other parts of the cover; and are also provided with iron or steel handles cast into the concrete at each end of the slab, so that they may be lifted off for cleaning out the compartments of the tank. The automatic siphon is shown located near the exit from the second chamber, and connected to the drain-tile at the bottom of this chamber.

The tanks shown in Fig. 1 will require about 5½ barrels of Portland cement, 2 yards of sand, and 3 cubic yards of crushed stone or screened gravel. About 200 feet of ¼-inch rod will be needed in the top, especially where the ends of the rods are bent into loops to aid in their holding power.

The type of tank shown in Fig. 1 is no more efficient than a tank having a flat bottom with all parts at the same level, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3; but the tank of Fig. 1 is more serviceable in ground that has but little fall, since it permits laying the drainage tile which receives the discharge nearer the surface of the ground than is possible in the tanks of Figs. 2 and 3.

In locating a septic tank, two conditions are to be noted: First, the distance which the tank is to be placed from the house; the second, the depth of the tank in the ground. It is well to have the tank between 100 and 200 feet from a residence if possible, on account of the discharge beds which are used in connection with the tank. This, however, is not always a necessity; and in many cases the tank may be placed close to the cellar walls of the residence, and the discharge carried some distance away to the beds. A slight odor more or less offensive may be noticed for the first four weeks or so, in the case of a new tank just started; but this will soon disappear.

The depth of the tank in the ground will depend on the natural slope of the land and the size of the lot in which the tank is placed. The inlet or sewer pipe should always be placed deep enough so that it will not freeze in winter. This pipe should have a slope of about 1 foot in 100 feet, and should be laid with cemented joints. A vitrified clay pipe or a cement pipe of a very dense nature may be used in this location.

If the lot is small and there is danger of the sewer pipe from the house freezing, the tank may have to be built close up to the cellar wall of the house. It should be noted from the illustrations, that it is practically impossible to install basement laundry tubs in connection with a system of this kind in level ground, on account of the depth to which the tank would have to descend and the resulting unsatisfactory action of the beds which are to receive the discharge.

The septic tank shown in Fig. 2 is also proportioned for service in residence work where the family consists of six or seven persons. This tank is sunk in the ground, and is entered through the two circular manholes at the top. The part of the tank at the extreme left acts as a basin for catching the heavier parts of the sewage and keeping them out of the larger first compartment. The two compartments in this tank are on the same level, making it necessary that the land slope away from the discharge end of the tank, in order that the discharge pipes may not be too far underground, as will be explained later. Where the slope will not permit, the tank may be raised nearer the surface and built along the same general principles.

Fig. 3 shows a similar type of tank designed by W. C. Davidson of the Missouri Engineering Experiment Station and proportioned to suit the needs of the average small residence or farm house. The dimensions given in the illustration are sufficiently clear for all practical purposes.

In all concrete tanks of the types described above, it is well to reinforce the corners of the tank with ½-inch steel bars, bent with the ends at right angles, and spaced from 6 to 8 inches apart. This rule will apply at all places where two flat surfaces meet. Often No. 9 woven wire fencing is used in place of the bars.

After the forms have been removed from the inside of a concrete tank, the inside surface should be plastered with a good coat of Portland cement mortar about ½ inch thick,

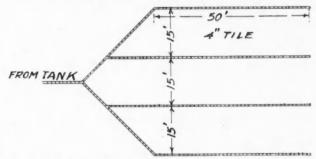


Fig. 5. Drainage Plan for Distribution of Discharge from Septic Tank.

consisting of 1 part Portland cement and 2 parts sand. After this coat has hardened, the entire interior surface of the tank should be painted with a coating of neat cement and water mixed to about the consistency of thick cream. A stiff whitewash brush may be used for this purpose. This plaster and wash treatment makes the interior of the tank water-tight.

A simple type of septic tank is shown in Fig. 4. This tank is made from ordinary glazed sewer pipe of 24 inches diameter or larger, and from standard fittings used in connection with this size of pipe. The tile are bedded and jointed in cement mortar, and may be fitted with cast-iron manhole rings

and covers; or cement mortar manhole rings and covering slabs may be used.

The action in this case is the same as in the tanks already described; but a tank of this sort should be used only for small families. The inlets and discharge pipes should be about 4 inches in diameter.

When a creek or running stream is near at hand, the discharge pipe is often led directly to this source of removal; but care should be taken that this water is not used for domestic purposes or in pastures at some location farther

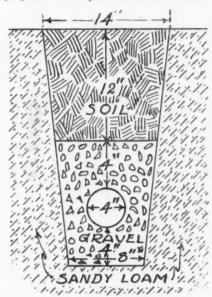


Fig. 6. Cross-Section of Drainage Ditch in Distribution System.

down stream. It must be remembered that the sewage has not received its final treatment by the aerobic bacteria at the time it is discharged by the siphon into the drain-pipe, and has not become thoroughly purified.

Ordinarily a tightly laid line of 4-inch diameter draintile takes the effluent in its partly purified condition, and distributes it into some form of drainage system similar to that shown in Fig. 5. This system consists of 4-inch tile spaced 1/4 inch apart, and laid in branching lines not deeper than 14 to 16 inches from the surface of the soil to the top of the tile. This plan is for light, sandy, porous soils; but in the case of heavy soils, the tile should be surrounded by gravel or cinders as shown in Fig. 6, and the top of the trench covered with the original soil.

It must be remembered that the effluent which comes into these tiles is entirely without oxygen, and that its reduction by the aerobic bacteria which exist in the top soil requires contact with air so that it may take up oxygen again. Hence the necessity for burying the drain but a short distance from the surface of the ground, and the need of porosity in the surrounding soil.

The tile must be periodically filled with sewage from the discharge chamber of the tank, thus allowing intervals of rest between charges, during which the soil or material surrounding the tile may again take up oxygen for the next supply. This periodic action is furnished either by the siphon shown or by the hand-operated plug referred to.

The capacity of the drainage system should be nearly equal to the volume of effuent discharge from the tank at any one time, so that all the system will be filled, and emptied, at the same time.

If there is an excess of water passing through the septic tank, it may be necessary to lay an under-drain surrounded by crushed stone or gravel in connection with the drainage scheme shown in Fig. 5. This will not interfere with the action or location of the tile shown in Fig. 6; but will require an increase in the depth of the trench, and another line of 4-inch tile laid in the stone about 8 inches below the first line. This lower line of tile is not connected in any way to the discharge chamber of the tank, and merely serves to remove the surplus water. The purifying process takes place in the upper pipe and surrounding soil as usual.

The drainage tile should be laid on a slope not to exceed 1 inch fall and 50 feet of length, and should not extend into low land where the natural ground-water level will interfere with the absorption from the soil surrounding the

One foot of 4-inch tile should be used for each gallon of liquid discharge into the drains, if in porous soils. In heavy soils, it may be necessary to use 2 feet of tile per gallon of liquid. It is claimed that from 325 to 400 tiles are needed, when laid in gravel or cinders, for a family of six.

Grease Traps. Grease from kitchen sinks should not be allowed to enter the septic tank with other material. The grease is not changed to any appreciable extent by the bacteria, and in time will clog up the system.

Effects of Frost. We have already mentioned that the sewer pipe from the house to the tank must be buried deep enough so that it will not freeze. There is no danger of the material in the septic tank freezing, since the contents are kept warm by warm water entering from the house and by the heat given off by the action of the bacteria. The temperature at which bacterial action is most active ranges from 75 to 105 degrees Fahrenheit, but the winter temperatures reduce the action to quite an extent. For this reason it is well to bury the tank as far as possible and still maintain other conditions, or to cover it with earth as a protection. Even in very cold climates, the absorption system of drain-tiles which are buried in loose soil or gravel-filled trenches will work in a very satisfactory manner.

#### Cleaning Out

If a two-chamber tank is used so that the scum on the surface of the liquid in the first chamber is not disturbed by filling or emptying the tank in its ordinary method of working, there is no need of cleaning out the sludge at the bottom of the tank oftener than once a year. It is not policy to disturb the scum covering any more frequently than actually necessary, since it takes some time to get the tank back into working condition. The openings left at the top of the tank should be large enough to afford access to both chambers of the tank as occasion may require.

#### Need of Water Supply

The septic tank is of best service when some kind of supply of running water is piped into a residence; but this in not absolutely necessary. A good supply of running water may be obtained at a country residence by the use of a hydraulic ram, gasoline engine, windmill, or hand pump, and a storage tank either outside or inside the house. If a windmill or engine is used, some form of automatic shut-off should be installed, so that no attention need be given to the system after it is started.

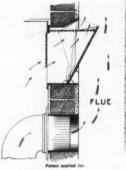
"Home-made" does not imply quality in almost anything but bread, and certainly does not mean much when applied to tools. One can buy much better tools than are usually made, particularly if they are power tools. The home-made lathe and rip saw bench are not nearly as complete or effective a tool as can be bought at almost the same price as the material and time would cost if they were "home-H. C. HANER. made."



### **New Kitchen Ventilator**

The illustration shows a vertical section through a kitchen range flue in which is placed a new style ventilator.

Hot and steamy kitchens are effectively relieved by the use of this simple device. It makes use of the power in the smoke-flue, the intense draft created by the fire, to suck the hot air, steam and odors out of the upper part of the room. Such a ventilator should be installed in all new work and is easily inserted in houses already built. The ventilator is made of cast iron and is so simple it cannot get out of order.



Ventilator Installed in Range Flue

# **Cement Construction Tile**

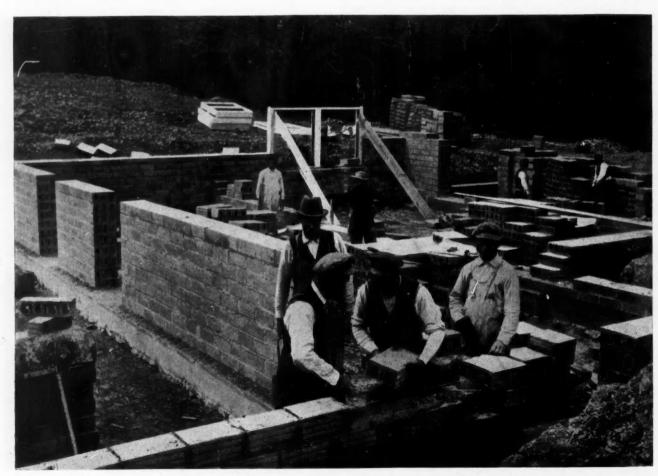
While the manufacturers of burned clay products have been developing their hollow structural tile, the concrete men have not been asleep. Nowadays we all recognize the value of hollow air spaces in building walls. Hollow concrete blocks have made use of the principle, and the clay tile developed it still further. And now we have the cement construction tile, which possesses all the advantages of the clay product and some more besides. Also it is claimed the price is very much more reasonable.

That these cement construction tile are by no means an experiment, is shown by the great variety of uses to which they have already been put. The photograph shows the beginning of work on one of the finest residences in Cleveland. This building is now finished and is a very beautiful, substantial structure. Something like 50,000 cement construction tile were used in its erection. Three sizes of tile were used; 5 by 8 by 12 inches, 5 by 12 by 12 inches and 5 by 16 by 12 inches.

The outside of the building was finished with cement plaster and the inside with hard wall plaster, applied directly to the tiles.

The machine that turns out these cement tiles is truly a wonderful machine. It produces twenty tile per minute. This is one of the few really automatic cement product machines.

Without doubt, before very long there will be a full supply of these cement construction tiles on sale in every locality. The machinery manufacturer is licensing one representative construction or building material company in each locality, to manufacture these cement tiles. It is expected that this will prove a good thing to all concerned. It is certain that the houses, barns, store buildings, and factories constructed



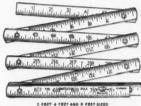
Laying New Cement Construction Tile on Large Cleveland Residence Job.

in this way possess many advantages that are bound to make the cement construction tile a popular and standard building material in the course of time.

### **Rustless Metal Rule**

A great many mechanics are coming to prefer the jointed rule to the old style folding kind. Some have found the wooden rules too fragile for hard and constant use. These will be glad to know that a new discovery has placed a light weight rustless metal rule on the market. It is a folding rule and comes in lengths from 2 to 6 feet.

"Luminoy." of which the rule is made, is a special alloy



Metal Rule That Won't Rust

of aluminum. It has a beautiful bright surface that requires no polishing to keep it bright. The interesting point is that this metal does not rust as steel does. Expose it to moisture, drop it in snow or water; you may forget to dry it, but no rust will accumulate; it will be as clear and bright as new.

The figures are large and clear and it is accurately graduated to 1-16th of an inch on both sides. The joints are strong and will not work loose. The light weight of this rule is one of its desirable features—it weighs only a trifle more than one ounce per lineal foot.

As the cost of these new rules is very reasonable they are sure to become popular among builders and other mechanics.

## Storage Battery Locomotive for Hauling Lumber

The operation of large lumber yards is being much simplified by the use of the electric storage battery locomotive illustrated. One of these has actually handled a train carrying 100,000 pounds. One seven-ton locomotive in operation at the plant of the Potlatch Lumber Company is regularly hauling trains containing 70,000 feet of lumber. They have over fifty miles of track in their lumber yards.



Electric Storage Battery Locomotive at Work in Big Lumber Yard

The storage battery locomotive is simple in design and rugged in construction. Anyone can operate the engine, as a single controller handle turns the current on and off. For large lumber yards and other industrial plants where there is considerable hauling to be **done**, these electric locomotives are making a great saving. A saving of \$600 per month is recorded in one instance.

#### Concrete Bridge Hides 66-Inch Pipe By L. M. Edholm

The city of Seattle, Washington, solved the problem of hiding an ugly sewer pipe which ran above ground through Washington Park, by constructing a beautiful bridge of concrete which carries this 66-inch pipe across a ravine and is built in such a way as to completely hide it.

The bridge has been built in the imitation of an old Roman aqueduct. It is of reinforced concrete faced with dark red burlap brick and the outside surfaces of the concrete have a stipple finish.

The piers are of solid concrete and rest on a hard pan bottom. It is about 16 feet in the center and 14 feet at the abutments. The arches are made in one piece, which gives strength to the bridge.

The structure is very graceful and instead of detracting



Artistic Viaduct Carries a 66-Inch Sewer Pipe

from the looks of the park, as the sewer line was bound to do, it adds to the appearance of the park. The bridge affords a 5½-foot walk across the ravine, which is a great convenience to the public. It was erected at a cost of \$16,485.

#### A Smooth-Boring Bit

A new improvement in bits makes the boring of holes a pleasure. The result of a test was recently observed where two smooth holes were bored in an old cedar shingle. The shingle didn't split.

This new bit is made with one floor lip and one side spur so there is very little friction. The floor lip is a continuation of the last thread of the worm and the side spur is on the opposite side of the worm. The bit will bore smooth and true, pulling itself into the wood without pressure on the brace. Another excellent thing is that the bit cannot be spoiled in filing.

It is sold as a better bit than the carpenter has previously had and as it will bore into any wood with or against the grain with equal results, it is safe to predict great popularity for it.

# Making Corn Cribs Rat-Proof

Secure some heavy screen wire and cover the walls and overhead with it, using care about the corners, joints and openings to make them close. Let the wire extend down to the bottom of the crib, then make a concrete floor or bottom, allowing the concrete to come up 2 or 3 in. on the screen wire. This floor can be made on the ground, using plenty of rock for drainage, or it can be made by covering an elevated floor with the concrete.

In this way nearly the entire loss caused by rats and mice can be prevented. The wire will permit the air to pass through the bin as freely as would the usual slat or board construction. In this way the corn saved in one year would pay the expense of the concrete floor and screen lining for the crib, and the lining and floor would last many years.

# CORRESPONDENCE







Questions Answered and Ideas Exchanged.

Our Readers are Requested and Urged to Make Free Use of These Columns for the Discussion of all Questions of Interest to Carpenters and Builders

# "Is This a New One?"

To the Editor: Hull, Mass.

Did it ever happen to you? No doubt it has, and to many others as well. Quite frequently in building operations there arise difficulties, mostly the ones we did not see when estimating, that have to be overcome later and in an inexpensive manner.

As I have used to good advantage several ideas obtained from reading the American Carpenter and Builder, think perhaps the following may assist some reader in the future. It did me, and as the old saying is, "What's good for one is good for another."

Several years ago I was building a house, and after looking

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Each Joist is Trussed with 1 by 3 inch Strapping,

matters over, found I had a 20-foot span for 2 by 8-inch floor timbers, also that the floor was loaded with a partition above.

I later found that I would have to help carry a shed roof dormer window with the same partition.

If one had taken the pains to look out for the framing earlier, this difficulty would not have occurred. But then we do not always thoroughly inspect an architect's plans. After getting into the hole, I began to look around for some way to get out.

This, as you know, is not always an easy matter. After thinking it over for a day and having a good night's sleep, I devised the following scheme, at the same time feeling quite confident it would work.

Is it plain to you? Well I simply did, or had the men do, this. As I said before, my floor joists were 2 by 8-inch, a 20-foot span, with a load 13 feet from one end.

After nailing the timbers in place, I set a temporary partition under the timbers so as to give them plenty of

crown. Then I picked out some sound and long pieces of 1 by 3-inch strapping, cutting to proper length, sprung up to top of timbers at center, allowing ends to fit against girt and partition cap and nailed them on to beat the band, one on either side.

After doctoring all the joists in the same manner, we went up on top and tried the floor for stiffness. Say! It was like a bridge.

I was in the house more than a year after finishing the job and the crown was still in the floor.

Try it yourself some time and see how it works. You can plainly see that each timber is a truss in itself and an inexpensive one to make.

I have not taken the time as yet, to work out how great a load it would carry and don't know as "I should worry" as it has already done a good turn for me, also taught me a lesson.

C. F. PACKARD,

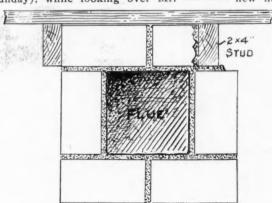
Carpenter and Builder.

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# Would License All Building Mechanics

To the Editor: Clyde C

While reading the November issue, I find in a letter by James L. Brooks, of Pleasantville, O., a mention of something which interests me. (The licensing of contractors and builders, who may superintend the building of even ordinary buildings and houses.) I would like to know what other readers think about it. While I am a contractor in masonry only. I will state two, of numerous experiences I have had, which led me to believe that a good many of the building trade branches ought to require a license, or at least be able to pass an examination to show they are qualified.



Faulty Chimney Work That is Too Common.

The chimney builder has bricked around a floor joist; nothing covers that joist but a coat of mortar from the inside of the flue, and I am going to report it to the insurance company that insures the building."

Second, while tearing down a chimney top to rebuild one time, upon getting it down to where I could see in the attic, found that one corner of the chimney below was bricked around a 2 by 4 inch stud, as per sketch. I cannot understand what prevented a fire from starting, as the plaster in many places was all that protected it from the inside of the flue. The chimney builder wanted to put chimney out next the siding and found the studs too close to admit that, so built up to the stud on each side. Upon that discovery, the chimney was totally rebuilt.

Such things as that have led me to believe a mason, as well as other of the building tradesmen, ought to have papers to show he is qualified to do the work right, or lose his papers, the same as a boat captain, doctor, engineer, etc. My above experiences show careless work that is dangerous to life and property.

In some cities, I believe, they have licensed mechanics; but in a small town or the country without inspectors, any common laborer with just a little experience, when out of a job, will take up building and pronounce himself a contractor.

I would be pleased to hear what some other readers have to say about mechanics like the above taking examinations under state laws, or rules.

B. S. Graves.

# Flashing a Chimney Built Against an Outside Frame Wall

To the Editor: Goulds, R. I.

Will you please tell me how to flash a chimney which is built into an exterior shingled or sided wall? I have trouble getting a job that will stay water tight.

ARTHUR B. CONGDON.

Answer: This is a problem that is frequently encountered, as home builders often want a big fireplace against one of the outside walls in the living room. Also an outside chimney of attractive face brick or stone, exposed clear from the foundation, is thought to add considerably to the architectural appearance of a house, whether built of brick, cement stucco, or with shingle or clapboard siding.

Figure 1 shows a method suggested by Kidder for this

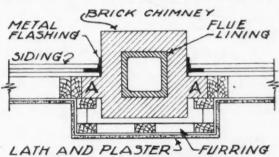


Fig. 1. Section View Thru Chimney and Wall.

work. The chimney is laid up with two projecting lugs, "A." These give a solid stop for the siding and permit metal flashing to be inserted as indicated. This detail, however, seems to be open to the objection that it requires the timber frame work to be fastened solid to the brick chimney, a thing that should never be done. Also, it is doubtful if the metal flashing inserted in this way would keep out the weather for any great length of time.

An arrangement which we much prefer is illustrated in

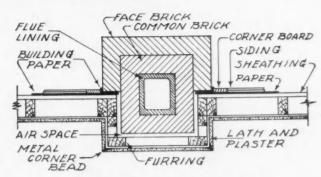


Fig. 2. Section Thru Brick Chimney.

Fig. 2. The inside, common brick chimney, is laid up half inside and half outside the wall. The 2 by 4 frame work is built up around this in the regular way, an ample air space being left all around the brick work and no connection between the wood studs and the chimney. Then the outside course of face brick is laid across the outside and returned against the wood sheathing. A fold of building paper is inserted, as indicated, and the corner boards are nailed on as close up into the corner joint as possible. This makes a water proof joint which, at the same time, takes care of the unequal shrinking and settling of wood work and brick work that is sure to occur.

EDITOR.

# Details of Fireplace Nook

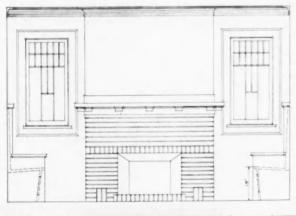
To the Editor: Dayton, O.

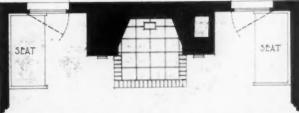
I wish you would publish a detail for a seat on each side of a fireplace. The sketch shows a floor plan of what I would need. The fireplace will be centered in an alcove 13 feet 3 inches wide.

I. E. B.

Answer: We suggest an arrangement as indicated in the plan view and elevation herewith. An inward opening casement window is placed on each side of the fireplace. Comfortable seats of simple design are built in. These may have hinged covers, if desired, so that books, games, etc., can be stored inside.

The mantel design is worked out, using rough texture brick laid with a racked out joint. The mantel shelf is a





Plan View and Elevation of Cosy Fireplace Nook

hardwood plank. The hearth is of large red tiles; the front and sides edged with bricks standing on end. This arrangement raises the hearth 4 inches above the surrounding floor. Some will prefer the hearth to be flush wih the floor, and for these the design can be easily modified.

An ash drop is indicated in the back of the hearth. This is a very important item. It is covered with a little cast iron trap door and the ash receptacle underneath is big enough to hold a couple of barrels of ashes. It saves dirt and much labor to be able to sweep the ashes down, then periodically to remove them by way of the basement.

The casement window details show a good suggestion for a fancy arrangement of small panes separated by wood sticks. In most places it is possible to find sash of attractive patterns, similar to this, in stock, and they are not much more expensive.

EDITOR.

# Thanks to "Radford's Cyclopedia"

To the Editor: Montevideo, Minn.

Here you can see what I have been doing this season. It is our new M. E. church building. I am foreman of this



Large Church Building at Montevideo, Minn.

job and I can thank "Radford's Cyclopedia of Construction" for my position.

As for me, I would like to receive the "A. C. & B." twice a month.

J. HELLERVIK.

# Deepening a Stone Foundation

To the Editor: Montgomery City, Mo.

I have a two-story brick building with 13-inch brick walls and foundation of rock about 3 feet 6 inches deep and about 2 feet wide. I want to put a basement under building and would like to know the best method of doing this. Basement will be 7 feet in clear. Would like to know if concrete would be the best to put under the rock foundation and how to get up tight under same, and if there is not some method of doing this without shoving up building and without taking out present foundation.

If I take out dirt from under present foundation how much of section could I remove at a time?

G. B. SHARP.

Answer: This proposition is one which generally has to be handled by a person who can make an inspection of the job and determine what method is the best suited in that individual case. The construction of buildings vary to such an extent, and the qualities of soil are so different in different localities that no one general rule can be given which may be followed in all cases.

Whether shoring would have to be used in the case described in your letter would depend upon the general construction of your building. A scheme which is often used in propositions of this kind is to dig pits about 3 feet apart, extending to the depth of the new foundation. In these pits lay the concrete footings for the new wall and then set granite blocks of the size required, to extend up to the old foundation, or build these individual piers out of hard stone or brick. Steel wedges or slabs of stone, or slate should be securely wedged in between the old foundations and the new piers. After these piers and new foundations are settled thoroughly, earth then may be removed and the space filled in with coursed stone or hard brick, thus completing the wall. Only a small section of the wall should be completed at any one time, and care should be taken that no settling occurs in the walls above the foundations. All connections between the old foundations and new foundation wall should be thoroughly wedged, so that there can be no possible chance of settling.

# Hay Door Works O. K.

To the Editor: Greeley, Neb.

This picture was snapped during hay season, at the barn I built for Mr. J. J. Fitspatrick. There has been quite a bit of discussion about arranging hay doors. This one is



Well Designed Barn at Greeley, Nebr.

counterbalanced to slide easily up and down. It gives a big, free space for the hay fork and never causes any trouble.

# Quite a Record for 18 Months

o the Editor: Greenbank, Wash.

Enclosed please find photo of a portion of my past eighteen months' work at the Greenbank Dairy Farm. In addition to the buildings shown in photo, there are four residences, one hotel and one school house, which are also located here.

The barns are constructed without cross timbers or collar beams. I do my own designing.

O. E. STARKS.



New Buildings at Greenbank Dairy Farm. These Eight Structures and Six More Built in 18 Months, by O. E. Starks

# Raising Barn Bents

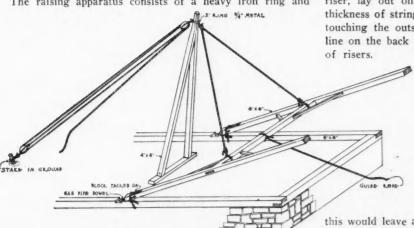
To the Editor: Moulton, Iowa.

What is the best plan for raising a gambrel roof on a barn of 40-foot span? I want to frame the rafters and truss before raising.

FRED WILLETT.

Answer: This subject has been discussed frequently in these columns, but it is of sufficient importance to make another description interesting. The illustration shows one of the best methods; in fact, it is the one most commonly used by barn builders.

The raising apparatus consists of a heavy iron ring and



Rig for Raising Bara Deats

hook, the ring made of 34-inch round iron and the hook of 1-inch iron. This is to slip over the top of the raising jack or derrick. A convenient size for the ring is from 5 to 61/2 inches in diameter.

The raising jack is made of 4 by 4-inch timbers. This should be built long enough to raise the barn frame to an angle of about 45 degrees before the ring slips off the end of the derrick.

A two- or three-pulley tackle is preferred for this derrick, using a ¾-inch rope, of which approximately 150-foot length is required.

While the question above refers particularly to gambrel roof trusses, we have illustrated in the drawing, an ordinary square barn bent. The method of procedure would be the same in either case. The two important things to look out for are to have the feet of the truss fastened so that they cannot slip forward when the raising begins; also take care to have a strong guide rope properly attached, which will hold the frame in a vertical position, and not allow it to fall forward.

FRITOR

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### Claims His Way is Better

To the Editor: Karnac, Manitoba.

I am an interested reader of your most useful and instructive paper, but take exception to part of an article contained in your December number by I. P. Hicks, under the heading "How to do work fast." At the end of the article Mr. Hicks says; "Do your work easiest, quickest and most scientific way."

Most certainly, by all means do so. I fully agree with him there; but, in my opinion he tells of a way to get the bevel with a steel square for mitering the risers to an open stringer which is unquestionably slower and also not as good as by an ordinary rule of thumb method, I've always used

I do not in any way wish it to be thought that I don't believe in the steel square. The steel square is probably far better for the roof-cut Mr. Hicks explains in the preceding

part of his article, but for this particular cut I think it much slower.

This is the method I always employ after laying out treads and risers on the stringers; draw a line parallel with one of the riser lines at a distance from it equalling the thickness of the risers to be used, square these lines over on edge of stringer. Now set bevel with blade touching riser line on outside edge of stringer and at the inside edge, the line representing the thickness of riser. This must give the correct bevel for mitering the stringers. For cut of riser, lay out on edge of riser two lines representing the thickness of stringer; set bevel from face of riser with blade touching the outside line on the front edge and the inside line on the back edge, this will be the correct bevel for cut of risers.

Now Mr. Hicks' method is all right (although slower) where one has a stringer the same thickness as the riser, but directly the stringer is thicker than the riser (and in my experience the stringer nearly always is thicker), the angle of the cut on stringer must be more obtuse than an angle of 45 deg. and more acute on the riser to make the riser fit all through. Of course, it could still be cut at an angle of 45 deg., but

this would leave a hole at the back of stringer and is a slipshod way of doing work.

This method of course will answer with any thickness of riser and stringer, and will make a good job and I claim is a good deal quicker than the method Mr. Hicks describes.

I might add that my experience in stair-building has been all in England and Canada, I believe in the United States, most stairs have rough stringers put in first and the finished stringers afterwards put in would need to be only the same thickness as riser, but in many cases no doubt the stringers would be thicker than the risers.

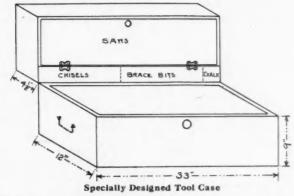
PERCY PEACOCK



# A Convenient Tool Box

To the Editor: Queensville, Ontario.

I am sending a drawing of a tool box that I made. The cover is 4½ inches deep; the top part lifts out and contains compartment for saws, chisels, brace bits, etc. These can be kept locked up when not in use, while the rest of the



tools can go in the bottom of the box with places for each, if you wish to keep them that way.

This box is made of %-inch basswood, and I think it is very handy and roomy. Besides the lock above mentioned, there is a time lock on the main part of box. It is all well glued and the corners are dove-tailed, besides having brass corners. It also has brass trimmings with my initials on the cover.

CLAYTON FOSTER.

# Problem in Hand Railing

To the Editor: Merritton, Ont.

Will you submit the enclosed problem to some of your handrailing experts? This is about my first problem in hand railing, and you can see what I am up against. I would like to know:

First—Is my method of curving the steps right to get the rail in one pitch, or will it have to be in two pitches—the lower rise being 7½ inches and the upper consisting of two steps, 5½ inches?

Second-The bevel to twist the wreath.

If my method is right to get the pitch lines, I can easily develop the face mould; but I want to know what bevels and how to apply them to twist the wreath.

B. C. FAWELL.

Answer: From Mr. Fawell's letter and sketches he submitted, which are shown in the accompanying Figs. 1, 2 and 3, I conclude that he would like to be enlightened regarding the best method to develop the tangents over and above the plan curve of 6 inches radius at the top of the stairway. His method to curve the steps 15 and 16 seems to be all right;

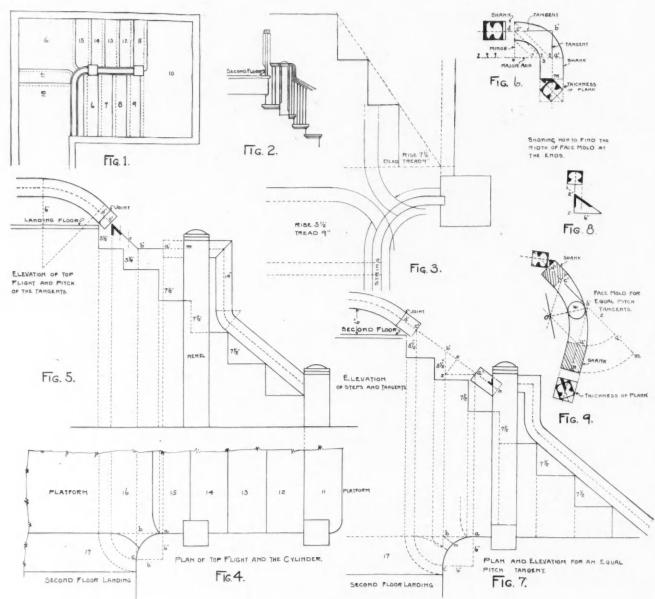
but why reduce the two top risers to  $5\frac{1}{2}$  inches, while all the other risers are  $7\frac{1}{2}$  inches? There is nothing short of absolute necessity that will justify such a difference in the size of the risers; not so much because it alters the pitch of the rail, but rather the annoyance and danger it will cause in the stepping.

If Mr. Fawell will pay careful attention to the following figures and explanation, he will find all the knowledge he needs pertaining to the development of the face mould tangent and bevels.

Figures 4 and 5 represent the plan and elevation of the top flight and the cylinder. In Fig. 4 the plan tangents ab and bc are shown unfolded, and in Fig. 5 they are shown developed over and above the steps; where the tangent a'b' is shown to be a level tangent aligning with the knee of the gooseneck; and the tangent b'c' is shown inclined to meet the easement in the landing rail, which stands 6 inches above the landing floor.

These developed tangents indicate the exact length of the face mould tangents.

In Fig. 6 it is shown how to use them in the development of the face mould. The tangent a'b' is here shown at right



Working Out a Hand Railing Problem.

angle to the tangent b' c', which is the rule in every case where one tangent is level and the other inclined.

From a' draw the line a' o parallel to b' c' and from o draw a line to c' parallel to a'b'. These two lines represent the major and minor axis of the face mould curves.

To find upon the major where to fix the pins, take in the compasses the length of the tangent c'b'; fix one point in c'and turn around to cut the major in s; connect c's; draw parallel lines from the minor, cutting the major as indicated where the pins are shown.

The width of the mould at the end c' will be the same as of the plain rail and at the end a' it is determined by the bevel as shown from c' in Fig. 5 along its long edge to 2.

For this kind of a rail there need be but one bevel and as shown at c', in Fig. 5, it is formed by the pitch of the tangent c'b', and it is to be applied to the end a' of the rail, as shown at m in Fig. 6.

No bevel is required at the end c' because c' is upon the

Mr. Fawell will observe that the arrangement, as indicated in these figures, will meet the conditions presented by him in his elevation, Fig. 2.

In the following Figs. 7, 8 and 9 it is shown how to construct the rail over the cylinder to meet the conditions shown in his elevation, Fig. 3.

The developed tangents a' b' and b' c', as shown above the cylinder steps in Fig. 7, are equally inclined. The face mould for this arrangement of tangents is shown in Fig. 9; the line d, c, b, z, a, m in this figure is a duplicate of the pitched tangents as shown in Fig. 7 by the same reference

To draw the face mould, place the length of the tangent b' c' in the compasses; fix one point in c' and turn around to o; again place the point in b' and turn around to intersect in o; connect oc'. From b draw a line to a parallel to c'o and also a line from a to o parallel to b'c'; now connect b'o; which will be the minor axis; the major is drawn square to the minor through the point o, as shown.

From b' draw b' w along the minor; draw the circle equal in diameter to the width of the plain rail, which also will be the width of the mould at this point; make the mould at the ends a' and c' the same as shown at z in Fig. 8 along the long edge of the bevel.

The bevel is found as shown in Fig. 8 at the top angle of a triangle composed of a 6-inch base to equal the radius of the plan curve and an altitude to equal the line zz, shown in Fig. 7. One bevel only is required in this construction also, and that because the two tangents are equally inclined. But because the tangents do incline, the bevel is to be applied to the two ends of the wreath and for the same reason (equal tangents) they are to be applied reversely, as shown in Fig. 9. MORRIS WILLIAMS.

# Non-Leak Threshold

To the Editor: Cache, Okla.

I am inclosing a sketch for a threshold that may help Jack Leg with his leaky doors. I find a great many carpenters

DOOR

let the threshold extend out beyond the doors and do not give the front enough slope.



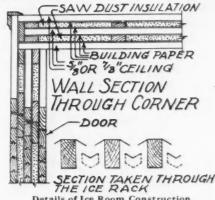
### **Building a Store Ice Room**

To the Editor: Shoemaker, N. M. I am writing to you with the object of getting information how to build an ice box; this one is for keeping meat, butter, and so forth in a general merchandise store. Dimensions,

about 8 by 8 feet, and high enough to hold a quarter of beef with sufficient room above for ice.

I built several ice boxes some years ago, but I wish to be up-to-date in building this one, and, therefore, I turn to you

Answer: The details herewith shows the section of wall and door, commonly used in refrigerators of this type. It



Details of Ice Room Construction

also shows a method of constructing an ice rack which is used overhead in this type of refrigerator. The small dots between sheathed walls indicate dry sawdust, which is placed in the space as a method of insulation.

The method of construction shown is as follows: Two or more perfectly air-tight walls, with dead air chambers between them filled with sawdust, make a good type of wall. Three air-tight walls with 7/8-inch space between them would probably serve your purpose better.

A cheap way to obtain this would be to build the outer wall and cover with good two-ply red rosin sized building paper. This should then have a coat of linseed oil to make it air-tight and durable; then strip this with 7/8-inch strips, ceil again, and cover with paper as before, being sure that all joints are stripped down and air-tight. Next cover the strips with paper as before (this may be oiled and dried before applying), and finish with the inner wall or ceiling, which can be best coated with shellac. To make a job which will economize ice, this should be the construction of floor and ceiling as well.

Now, as to the ice shelf. All that is necessary is to form a rack, which will support the ice wanted, and at the same time give free passage of the air down and around it, and at the same time carry the water off perfectly. This may be secured by taking 2 by 4-inch, arranged side by side on edge, 4 inches apart. Cover them with galvanized iron, so that it will project 11/2 inches on each side of the 2 by 4's, and bend down at an angle of about 30 degrees; then place a series of troughs between the 2 by 4's to carry off the water into another trough at the ends of these; and connect with a drain-pipe, which should be trapped so that the air cannot pass back through it into the cooling room. It goes without saying that the ice rack should be at the top of the room, as the cold air descends, keeping up a circulation. The doors should be constructed with air-chambers, same as the walls. -

# Interested in Silos

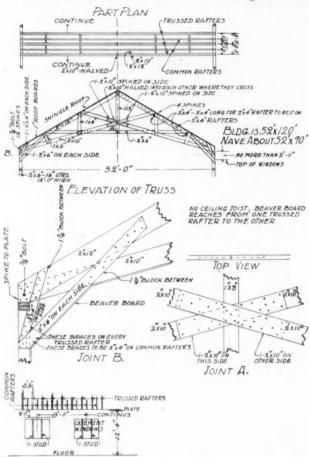
To the Editor: Sardis, B. C., Canada.

If it is not out of place to ask, I would like to see the question of silos taken up in the American Carpenter and BUILDER, both as regards construction of concrete and wooden SIGFRID EDSTROM.

# **Cheap Truss for Church Roof**

To the Editor: Appleton, Wis.

Here is a sketch of a trussed rafter and details of principal joints. These trussed rafters have to be spaced 2 feet 8 inches on centers (this is the width of beaver board; would prefer 3 feet 6 inchs if rafter is strong enough) with a 2 by 4-inch common rafter between them, so that common 7/8-inch roof boards can be used. The roof will be shingles and the

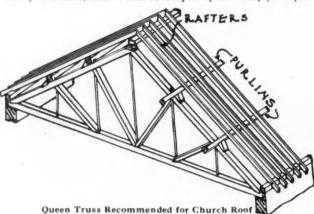


Details of Mr. Wettenge's Truss

ceiling beaver board. The reason for using beaver board is that the building will at some time be moved, and if plaster were used it would probably crack badly during the time of moving.

The diagonal 2 by 6's shown at sides are used as wind braces and cannot reach down any farther on account of the windows.

This roof is to be on a church in a small village, and the people being mainly of the working class, there is not much money available, and it has to be put up as cheaply as pos-



sible, so this is a kind of charity job. It is really a temporary church to be used as a hall later on. By using the trussed rafters I can plant my footings where convenient for timbers (there will be no basement), doing away with heavy posts and piers, which would be necessary if trusses were not used. I intend to spike all the joints thoroughly with 20d. spikes, as shown on the sketch.

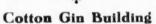
EDWARD A. WETTENGEL.

Answer: We would not consider that the type of truss shown is best for use with so great a span (52 feet.) We believe that some type of queen truss would be more suitable for use in this location. The type of truss shown is rarely ever used for spans over 48 feet, and must be used with great care of design, even for that span. It is also common practice to design trusses of this type so that the rise of the roof shall be at least  $10\frac{1}{2}$  inches to 12 inches. You will see that your truss is quite flat as compared with this limiting slope.

We also consider that the 1 by 6-inch and the 1 by 8-inch vertical members shown in your truss are of too light section. Also the 2 by 6-inch horizontal member seems to be too light.

The wind bracing at the walls seems to us to be amply strong, and we believe that in connection with this bracing the method of fastening trusses to plates by spikes would be secure. We see no harm in splicing joists where they cross at center of truss, providing the splice is made as strong as other parts of the member.

Editor.



To the Editor: Electra, Texas.

An interesting job that I have been handling lately is shown in this photo, the building for the County Line Union Gin Co. These are gin house, 20 by 72 feet; octagon cotton house, 36 by 36 feet; boiler house, 26 by 28 feet; cotton seed house, 20 by 50 feet; and an office, 12 by 12 feet.



Contractor Smith and Friends of New Cotton Gin

The capacity of this gin is three bales of cotton per hour. The cotton house has fifteen stalls, each stall holding six bales.

The picture shows myself and a bunch of my good friends.
R. H. SMITH,

Contractor.

## **Easily Found Nail Set**

To the Editor: Grinnell, Iowa.

Here is a little wrinkle which I have picked from one of my men. Most every finisher will carry his nail set in the same pocket he carries his nails in, and quite often it is hard to find. Considerable time is lost in this way. Here is the remedy: Wrap the nail set with insulating tape, which will enlarge this set so you can find it at once.

If you carry two sizes of sets, keep the one used most in the left pocket and the other, or smaller set, in the right pocket. Try this and you will save lots of time and annoyance.

G. J. S.



Neat 5-Room Concrete Cottage in Course of Building

### An Arkansas Bungalow

To the Editor:

Cotter, Ark.

Here is a five-room concrete block bungalow or cottage I am building. It has, I believe, some interesting and worth while features. The width is 28 feet, the length 48 feet. The rooms are laid out in a modern way, commodious and convenient. Living room, dining room, kitchen, bedroom and bath are provided.

This is the second bungalow of this style I have built this past year. In this one I am using gypsum plaster board for the partitions and for the outside wall I am plastering right against the concrete blocks, which have a hollow air space. The house rests on a solid concrete foundation; we have special concrete chimney or flue blocks for the chimney.

I have laid a double floor in this bungalow, and some will think it is a queer way to lay a floor. The sub-floor is of native oak, the top floor of yellow pine. We have considerable sand in our soil here, and it cuts too much for a highly polished floor.

G. B. ORTMAN,

Builder and General Contractor.

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#### Cost of Metal Ceiling Work

To the Editor:

Burchard, Nebr.

Please give me some rules for figuring metal ceiling—that is, how much a man can put on in a day, and what it is worth a square to put on, and same on painting.

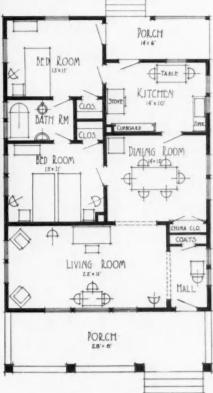
EVERETT HERRON.

Answer: The following from Radford's "Estimating and Contracting" may prove of service to you:

In placing ceiling, two men in a nine-hour day will put on from 300 to 400 square feet of ceiling with cornice. On plain work on large surfaces, these quantities may be doubled.

In painting metal ceiling, one gallon of paint is estimated to cover about 500 square feet of surface, and one man will put on about 80 square yards of paint, one coat, in an eighthour day.

Editor.



Floor Plan of Concrete Cottage

## Ft. Hays Model Dairy Farm

On pages 89 and 90 of our November issue we presented some photographs of the model dairy farm and silos of the State Experiment Farm at Ft. Hays, Kansas. By mistake, the design of these buildings was credited to Mr. W. A. Richter. While he was employed on this work, we understand that the ideas for the design were furnished by Prof. Reed, Head of the Department of Dairying at the State Agricultural College at Manhattan, Kansas. Mr. Richter made pencil drawings from his sketches and these were revised, traced and blue printed in the Engineering Department of the college at Manhattan. The Superintendent of Construction for all of this work was Mr. Warren A. Baker, of The Warren Baker Construction Co., Hays, Kansas.

# Large Horse Barn

To the Editor:

Derby, N. Y.

Some of my fellow readers may be interested in this picture of a fancy or thoroughbred horse barn I have just constructed for Lieut. G. L. Stryker, of this place. It measures 78 by 206 feet, containing thirty box stalls. It has one large room inside with tan bark floor for exercising horses. It measures 50 by 180 feet.

G. R. DINGMAN.



Large Thoroughbred Horse Barn at Derby, N. Y.

# A Large Modern Residence

To the Editor:

Hickman, Neb.

I have been 30 years in the building business and have put up a good many first-class dwellings in quick time. This one, however, is, I believe, the cheapest house I ever built; that is, as to labor cost.

This house measures 30 by 40 feet. With the help of two boys, sons of the owner, 16 and 17 years old, I built this house complete in four weeks, day work. I paid them \$1.50

lintels, foundation blocks, etc. It will be found a useful addition to the outfit of small contractors whose requirements in this direction do not warrant buying a standard set of steel plate molds. The latter are to be preferred if the dimensions of these units are sufficiently standardized and a fairly large quantity required; but there are hundreds of small builders and contractors who go on putting in more or less expensive dressed stone sills, lintels, steps, etc., when concrete units for the same purpose can be turned out



Ten-Room Residence Planned and Built by J. E. Offer, Hickman, Neb.

each per day and I received \$234.90 for my work, which made the total labor cost \$306.90.

I believe all of the boys will agree that this is doing pretty well.

The house is finished in yellow pine throughout. Has a warm air heating plant in the basement. There are five rooms down stairs; reception hall, parlor, dining room, kitchen and bedroom. The bathroom is on this floor, also a large back entry or work room. On the second floor are five good sized bedrooms with an ample supply of closets. Both front and back stairways are provided.

The outside of this dwelling is made attractive with a large circle corner porch and prominent gables on the roof.

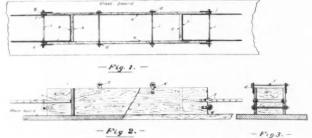
I am a charter member of the American Carpenter and Builder and have received much help from its pages.

J. E. Offer, Contractor and Builder.

## A Simple Mold for Concrete Sills, Steps, Lintels Etc.

To the Editor: St. Catharines, Ont.

In Figs. 1, 2 and 3 are illustrated a simple form of mold suitable for casting small concrete units such as sills, steps,



Plan and Two Elevations of Adjustable Mold

cheaper, b. just as satisfactory in transverse strength, and can be made to look as well in appearance.

The mold is made of well seasoned timber—preferably white pine, and is adjustable to varying lengths and depths, the widths also being variable if spare sets of certain parts of the mold are kept on hand. Fig. 1 illustrates a plan view, Fig. 2 a half section and elevation, and Fig. 3 an end view.

The mold consists of a plain box with loose sides (a), and ends (b), with no bottom or top. The sides are held together by bolts (c), passing through lugs (d), screwed to the sides, the ends forming distance pieces against which they are bolted. To the end pieces are screwed iron straps (e), bent to a "U" shape, the width between the legs of the "U" being made to fit between the sides. In these legs, holes are punched at suitable intervals to receive cotter pins or bolts (f), passing through lugs (g), which are attached to the side pieces as shown. The legs of these "U" straps should be made of sufficient length to admit of the smallest length of block required being cast, the ends being moved along to the desired distance, and secured in place by means of the cotter pins engaging with holes in the "U." The whole box rests on a base board as shown, but is not attached

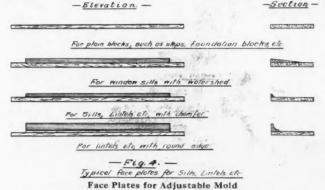
The blocks are to be cast face downwards, and where a special face is required such as a sloping top on a window sill, etc., a face plate is placed in the bottom of the box. These may be cheaply made of wood and suggestions for a few of such plates are shown in Fig. 4. Where the drip groove is required, this may be formed after the concrete has been placed, by means of a round edged board, or rod.

The depth of the block can, of course, be varied according to the height to which the concrete is poured in the mold, and if it is desired to make the mold variable in width as well, it is only necessary to make a few spare end pieces and "U" straps of the width required and use longer bolts for holding the sides together.

The forms should be thoroughly saturated with water before the concrete is placed so as not to absorb water from the concrete, or some soft soap may be worked well into them instead.

The concrete mixture should be well proportioned, a suitable mix being 1 cement, 3 sand, and 5 gravel, using as a facing, 1-2 mix of cement and sand. If about 1 part of hydrated lime to each 3 parts of cement, be added to the facing mixture a much better appearance is obtained.

The surface may, of course, be afterwards tooled and finished similar to a stone block if desired, but for ordinary purposes the molded finish will usually be found satisfactory.



Sand and gravel should be well washed, and if the concrete is mixed by hand, should be turned over at least 3 or 4 times until a uniform color is obtained throughout the mass. The mixture should be sufficiently wet as to pour easily into the mold and then be well rammed down.

After the concrete has set, which in a medium climate should be from 2 to 4 hours after placing, the mold may be taken apart by releasing the end pieces and removing the bolts, leaving the block on its face plate. It should remain on the plate until properly cured, and to enable this to be done, it is advisable to keep a supply of face plates on hand, according to the quantity of blocks required.

It is hardly likely that the average house builder will possess a steam plant which can be used for curing purposes, hence it will be necessary to cure the blocks by the air process.

The blocks are carried on their plates to an open shed or some place where a free circulation of air is obtained, and should be thoroughly wet down with a watering can or hose once or twice a day for about a week. It is good practice to watch for the edges of the block turning light, as this indicates that less water is required.

If you should run short of face plates, the blocks may be taken off after being cured for 2 days and piled up in the yard, where they can be wet once a day and allowed to cure until the time they are wanted. The blocks should stand for at least 28 days before being used, but the older they are before using, the better they will be.

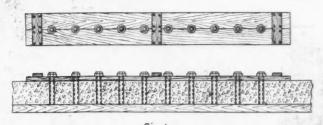
It is just as important to exercise care in the curing of the blocks as in casting them, as no matter how well made they may be, their strength and durability will be considerably lessened unless properly cured.

JOHN A. DICKINSON.

# Placing Porcelain Insulators in Concrete Work

To the Editor: Kansas City, Mo.

Sometimes the carpenter is called upon to place porcelain insulators in concrete work. Here is a method which I have found to work quite well: Take two boards about 4 inches wide and place edge to edge; along the line of

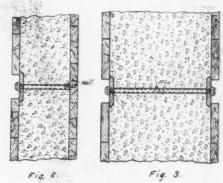


Porcelain Insulators Through Concrete Floor

the joint, lay out the centers of the tube holes and then fasten the boards together by cleats nailed in between the tube-hole centers, care being taken to leave enough room for the heads of the tubes. The holes may now be bored to receive the tubes.

When the tubes go through the floor, the thickness of the boards used should correspond with the thickness of the wearing top of cement. When the concrete has set, the boards may be taken out and the cement surface brought up flush with the under side of the heads of the tubes. This leaves the heads of the tubes projecting above the finished surface of the floor.

If the floor is laid and surfaced in one operation, the edges of the. boards should be beveled to facilitate removal from the concrete. The recess left by the boards may then be plastered up. Figure 1 shows the arrangement in



Porcelain Insulators Through Concrete Walls

plan and section. When the tubes go through a concrete wall, an opening should be left in the form, over the inside of which the tube boards may be nailed. The recess left by the boards may be plastered up after removal. Figure 2 illustrates the scheme. If it be desired, for the sake of appearance, to have a head on each face of the wall, two tubes may be used, as shown in Fig. 3. A wooden pin should be inserted in the abutting ends of the tubes to preserve alignment. This scheme may be used where the wall is very thick and which would necessitate a tube of extreme length. A single board may be used to hold the tubes, the board being afterwards split and removed. This works fairly well when the grain of the wood is quite straight, but where it is not, the board is removed only after considerable "whittling," which is liable to break some of the tubes. C. O. SANDSTROM.

#### A Good Furniture Polish

To the Editor: Mayville, N. Dak.

In answer to D. M., in the December number, for a good furniture polish, this is a good one, got up by my father:

One part raw linseed oil to five parts turpentine, shaken well. Saturate a rag and apply. This has to be dried off well with a piece of cheesecloth.

This also makes a good polishing oil in combination with powdered pumice stone.

In case the furniture is old or dusty, it has to be cleaned with water first before polishing.

We use this furniture polish in preference to a good many patented polishes.

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# TRADE NOTES: TEMSEOF NETS: TEMSEOF

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.

# The Outlook By L. A. De Vore

Many a contractor is bemoaning fate for the unprosperous year, for the bad times and so forth—but do you realize the old saying, "that it's always the darkest before the dawn?" If it wasn't for the fact that everybody is going around with that hang-dog look you would not notice business conditions. Buck up, don't make a mountain out of a mole hill. You have had worse times.

Now for a look ahead. We have just finished one of the biggest years for concrete construction. Do you know that? We have before next year one of the greatest booms known in history—the boom of concrete construction. Everywhere people are waking to the fact that concrete is the greatest of building materials, the one that will outlast any other, the cheapest in the long run. It is the ideal road material. Think of the thousands of roads that will be built next year through the Good Roads movement. Think of the large amount of work that means. You can get your share of that.

Again, turn to building construction. How many new buildings went up in 1913, built entirely or partly of concrete? Hundreds—yes, hundreds of thousands. There will be twice that many next year.

Manufacturers all over the country who build constructors equipments, are busily laying plans for the big boom in business. They are using slump times to build up for the bigger times. How about you, are you doing the same? Are you getting wise to all the new wrinkles in your business?

The plea of all manufacturers, both of cement and machinery, is—"don't cheapen the product of your work to insure yourself a profit; but cheapen the labor and operating cost by using equipment most up to date."

The coming Cement Show at Chicago, February 12-21, 1914, is going to be one of the greatest. It, in itself, is going to be the greatest prophecy for the big concrete boom. Everybody is straining themselves to make this show a success. Your help is asked.

It will show all the latest improvements and machinery on the market for cheapening the labor cost of concrete mixing. One of the most interesting spaces which features low mixing cost will be the space of The Standard Scale & Supply Company, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and New York. These booths will be found in the annex, Nos. 172-3, and in them will be found some of the greatest boosters for the big concrete boom.

These booths will show several sizes of the famous "The Standard" Low Charging Concrete Mixers, the mixer with the self paying "knack." They will also show hoists, pumps, and barrows, and will have for free distribution for all who ask one of the most complete Contractors' Equipments Catalogs ever issued. This book shows and

describes everything that the progressive contractor desires in the way of twentieth century time and moneysaving equipment. Don't forget, if you come to the Show, that you will miss the biggest part of it you don't get this catalog.

Remember, 1914 holds in its hand promises for the biggest concrete boom ever, and it is by having the best equipment that you can get your share of it. If you can't attend the show, you certainly can write to The Standard Scale & Supply Company, Chicago, for a copy of their latest calatog, Y-100.

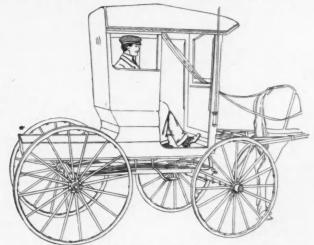
# Contractors' Cozy Wagon "GET A COZY CAB AND FORGET THE WEATHER"

The first "Cozy Cab" was suggested by a doctor. Wm. A. Hunter, president of Fouts & Hunter Carriage Mfg. Co., relates the story. About nine years ago, Dr. McAllister, of Terre Haute, came to my factory and said: "Will, I want you to build me a buggy that will keep me dry in wet weather, warm in cold weather and protect me from the sun in hot weather. It must be light enough for one horse to pull over bad roads, and it must be well-built and nicely finished."

I did some mighty hard thinking and figuring for several weeks, and finally I designed and built what he wanted, although I knew I could improve it if I had more time.

The Doctor was mighty well pleased, and so proud of it that he showed it to his friends. Within two weeks, six other physicians came to me and left orders for a rig "like Dr. McAllister's." In six months, I had more orders than I could take care of and had to enlarge my factory.

The demand has been steadily increasing. Each year I have profited by the experience of my customers by adding improvements, until I now feel that my latest design is perfect.



The "Cozy Cab" a Comfortable Ride in Any Weather

### The Cozy Cab is the Perfect Buggy

The Cozy Cab today is the finished product, after years of slow striving and patient determination. It was no easy matter to accomplish this buggy, which has so many good features and vital improvements. It was a fight, where the victory gained came only after the most persistent effort.

This is the only practical wagon ever built for every-day use of contractors and builders. The manufacturers designed it not only for ample room, strength and easy running qualities, but considered the comfort and health of the user. When open, in pleasant weather, the flexible door curtains are out of sight and out of the way. In 30 seconds, with one hand and without dropping the lines or leaving the seat, the Cozy Wagon can be made storm-proof. Rain, snow, mud, dust and cold winds do not worry the man who drives a Cozy Wagon—he knows he will be dry, warm and comfortable.

The Cozy Cab is made in a large factory where this one style of buggy is manufactured exclusively the year round—twice as many as all others of this type combined—other manufacturers imitate this style of buggy only in their dull season. It is not manufactured by Fouts & Hunter as a side line, but as an exclusive proposition.

The Cozy Cab is the only buggy that offers absolute and perfect protection in all kinds of weather and under the most varying conditions. A buggy that gives comfort, safety, convenience and splendid service. The Cozy Cab is not the result of a freak idea, but a final accomplishment of constant effort, constant thought, experiments and development for over nine years. Every idea, every thought was studied, compared, tested and proved, and built into a storm-proof buggy that is nothing short of a "Masterpiece."

The Cozy Cab is the buggy for every day in the year! Not another vehicle can compare with it for simplicity of construction and operation, for perfect protection under all climatic conditions, for safety under any circumstances, for comfort and roominess, for convenience and get-at-ability of every part.

The manufacturers are making a 30-day-free-trial offer to introduce the Cozy Cab among contractors and carpenters. To your honesty, fairness and unbiased judgment, they leave the Cozy Cab. They have faith and confidence in both. They know that your decision will be in favor of the Cozy Cab, as it has won the favor, the confidence, the good will and the hearty enthusiasm of thousands before you.

Write today for handsome free catalog and special 30-day-free-trial offer; address Fouts & Hunter Carriage Manufacturing Co., 205 Third Street, Terre Haute, Ind.

# Hess Announces Profit Sharing Plan

The Hess Warming and Ventilating Company, in its advertisement on another page, calls attention to a new arrangement to enlist the co-operation of contractors and builders in its furnace selling campaign.

For many years this company has made a specialty of selling complete furnace equipments, direct from its factory to consumers, furnishing complete working plans, illustrated directions for installing, and tools, if necessary. It has built up a large business all over the United States; and very many of its customers are contractors and builders.

The business of plumbers and hardware dealers has not been solicited, for the company has preferred to plan all the equipment furnished, and to be directly responsible to consumers. Its business with builders, however, has been most satisfactory, and the purpose, now announced, is to extend that business by bringing contractors and builders into a Profit Sharing arrangement, which consists of a special allowance or discount from its factory-to-consumer prices. Contractors are invited to address the company and secure an outline of the proposed arrangement. The company's address is 1220 Tacoma Building, Chicago, Illinois.

## "Standard Time" Keyless Padlocks

Here is a solid brass padlock that can be opened either in the dark or light in five seconds or less. This is done by



the aid of sight, touch or sound. It is guaranteed to be positively non-pickable, is rust and dust proof and represents the highest type of workmanship and security.

The many advantages of Keyless locks are obvious; there are no keys to lose, break in lock or become duplicated by the dishonest person who may want access. The "Standard Time" lock is not an experiment, but has been on the market for many

years and of the million or more in use all are giving satisfactory service in every respect. No one having anything to lock can afford to be without the protection of a "Standard Time" lock. It is the cheapest kind of insurance, and is adaptable to any purpose where a lock is required.

Illustration shown is half actual size. Made by the Miller Lock Co., Frankford, Philadelphia, Pa. Write them for particulars.

# They Want Agents

Agents usually clean up on new things. Chair tips are going well. The Evergrip Gliding Caster Co., Dept. V., 20 Warren Street, New York City, want agents and distributors everywhere to sell their chair tips. Write these people for their proposition to carpenters. They will send you a sample set free of charge and make you a good offer.

# Skate Grinding Attachment

Now that cold weather is here, a great many people are wondering how they are going to grind their skates for the winter. It is not an easy matter for one person to



successfully grind a pair of skates, and do it quickly without some good device in which to hold them. There are not a great many efficient

skate grinders on the market. One, however, which deserves special attention, is manufactured by the Luther Grinder Mfg. Co., of Milwaukee, Wis., and is constructed in such a manner that one person can easily operate it, giving the

proper bevel to any kind of skates.

This attachment can be clamped to any bench, and is arranged so that it can be swiveled to any position. The clamps are adjustable to hold any size or kind of skates and are also adjustable to give the skate any bevel you desire. It can be used with any bench grinder or with any other grinder near at hand. It is extremely simple to adjust, and is exceptional in that it takes only one person to operate it, successfully.

# The "Famous" Line of Woodworking Machinery

Looking over the copy of the 1914 catalog of the Sidney Tool Company, which has just reached us, we confess our surprise at the extent of their line of woodworking machinery. We have heard so much about the Famous Universal Woodworker that somehow we got the idea that this universal machine, in its several sizes and in the portable and stationary models, was all this Sidney concern are manufacturing.

But we were wrong. Their line of universal woodworkers, being the most unusual, is naturally the one most talked



# Gordon-Van Tine Co.'s Building Material Plant

# At Davenport, Ia., and Vast Lumber Yards at St. Louis

Our business with Carpenters and Contractors throughout the Nation is growing with giant strides. They have come to realize the tremendous advantages offered by the Gordon-Van Tine Company's wonderful Millwork and Building Material Plant in Davenport, where everything used in a building, from shingle nails to the finest interior wood-work, can be secured in double-quick time at a fraction of retail prices.

They have learned that our immense Lumber Yards in St. Louis can "fill the bill" in less time and for less money than retail lumber yards with their limited stocks and heavy running expenses.

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We ship building material into practically every community in the United States. We have an enormous output. Our small profit comes on the big volume—the total business. The man who orders a single window or door gets exactly the same low price as the man who orders in car-loads.

We have reduced the manufacturing cost and the handling cost to an absolute minimum. We have applied the principles of scientific management to this vast Building Material enterprise. The goods are loaded direct from platform to cars without a penny of drayage. In addition to all these facilities we have a Special Service Bureau for the benefit of Carpenters and Contractors. Expert lumbermen, practical carpenters, experienced contractors, and a staff of Architects make this department of great practical benefit to all who require such service. We invite Carpenters and Contractors wherever possible to visit our plant. We want you to inspect our facilities, to meet our men, to study our methods of business.

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But whether you come to Davenport or not, you will receive the absolute best that we have in materials, prices and

# Millwork, Lumber and Roofing 25 to 50 Per Cent Below Average Retail Prices

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We maintain for the benefit of customers a highly efficient Service Bureau. The various departments of this Bureau are as follows:

#### **Estimating Department**

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We employ a staff of high-class architects. We work from your rough draft or description of proposed building—charge less than your local architect.

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Our experienced men will be glad to assist in solving any knotty problems that present themselves in connection with your work. Please feel free to use this service. These are not "paper" savings but in actual dollars and cents. The most thorough investigation, the most rigid comparison, will prove these statements correct.

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All Gordon-Van Tine Millwork, Lumber and other Building Material is of the highest guaranteed quality. The prices speak for themselves. The service is yours for the asking. We have "made good" for thousands and thousands of Contractors and Carpenters in all parts of the country. A test order is all we ask. Every item listed and described in our Catalog is ready for immediate shipment. Hundreds of items in fancy doors and windows, special stair work, porch work, and interior finish which cannot be duplicated by local planing mills inside of two or three weeks are ready for quick delivery.

# Send for Big, New, Color-Illustrated Building Material Catalog

The splendid Catalog contains over 5,000 bargain offers in high-grade Building Material, and is a veritable Encyclopedia of Building Information for contractors and carpenters.

The new edition of the Gordon-Van Tine Book of Plans contains a splendid collection of beautiful and practical designs for houses, cottages, bungalows, etc. These plans have been built from, over and over again, and the cost of material for each plan is guaranteed not to exceed our estimate on same. In writing for the Book of Plans, enclose 10c to pay cost of postage in mailing. (268)

# **GORDON-VAN TINE COMPANY**

**676 Federal Street** 

Davenport, Iowa

about. Looking through this catalog, however, we see that the "Famous" line of woodworking machinery includes all of the standard types of machines that are in use in power woodworking shops and small planing mills. There are band saws in 36, 32, 27 and 20-inch sizes. These are equipped with either iron or wood wheels, adjustable tilting table and all gauges.

The variety and combination saws in several styles and sizes are important items that are fully illustrated and described.

Several styles of swing cut-off saws are pictured. The "Famous" hand jointer is given a prominent place. There are also 18 and 24-inch planers, double-belted planers, etc.

Shapers are illustrated, both the single and doublespindle models. There is a vertical hollow chisel mortiser, also a combined mortiser and tenoner, post borers in several styles, and a number of wood-turning lathes brings one up to the section devoted to the well known Famous Universal woodworkers.

Throughout, this catalog is very nicely illustrated and the descriptions of the machinery are complete and understandable, giving the information a prospective purchaser would want to have. In the back part of the book is a supplement giving many useful tables and other information.

This is a catalog of 128 pages, nicely bound and of handy size for reference. Copies will be mailed to our readers upon request. Address The Sidney Tool Company, 112 Highland Avenue, Sidney, Ohio.

# Easy to Own an Engine Now

One of the most notable things in the kerosene and gasoline engine business, is the new sales plan adopted by Ed. H. Witte, of the Witte Engine Works Co., 1770 Oakland Ave., Kansas City, Mo. He now sells direct from factory to

user, and has arranged for easy payments, at no advance over regular prices. The plan is devised so a Witte engine

can earn its own cost, while the user is paying for it. For 27 years Mr. Witte has done nothing but build Witte engines. His catalogues and circulars, together with the prices he makes, show he is a master at his business. The Witte factory is one of three of the first gasoline engine factories in America, and is now one of the oldest and largest exclusive engine businesses, selling only direct to the user. Mr. Witte has



Ed. H. Witt

just brought out a very handsome, large sized circular in three color printing, the title of which is, "Own Your Hired Hand—It's Cheaper than Hiring." The text matter and the rich illustrations show in a convincing manner that a Witte engine, using either kerosene, gasoline, gas, naptha, or distillate, is a competent "hand" suitable for any work that can be harnessed to a belt. The striking part of this showing is the really low price that can be made on all sizes of these engines, from 1½ to 40-horse-power, stationary, portable, skidded, or sawrig styles. These factory prices mean a saving to purchasers, of anywhere from \$25.00 to \$350.00, according to the size and style of engine selected.

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# \$300 Monthly For You



# I Want to Pay This Big Salary to YOU!

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Empties Itself
Remember This: The Robinson Folding Bath Tub, equipped with our special Outlet Emptying Device, makes the tub positively self-emptying. How convenient and handy this is. After the bath no fuss and bother, emptying the tub. By the time you are dressed the tub is emptied ready to lay away. All the conveniences of a modern, up-to-duct on the conveniences of a modern on the conveniences of a modern on the convenience of the conveni



I want you to handle your county. I'll furnish demonstrating tub on a liberal basis. I'm positive, yes, I'm absolutely certain that you can make bigger money in a week with me, than you ever made in a month before. Hustlers, east week, north, south, are simply coining money. Orders, orders everywise, north, south, are simply coining money. Orders, orders everywise, north, south, are simply coining money. Orders, orders everywise, north, south, are simply coining money. Orders, orders everywise. You can be a considered to the people have no bath rooms. You sake the orders right and left. Quick saises and immense profits. Two sales a day mean \$300 a month profit. Stop and realize the tremendous possibilities. Look around you. Be amazed. Your neighbors, friends, relatives, have no bathrooms. They are eager for one; never had the opportunity to install one. You step in; show the tub. Sale's made; profit sure.

No Experience Needed

No Experience Needed

Why, I don't care it you never sold anything before in all your life; you can make good big money with me. You're honest? You're square? Of course you are. You've got grit, ginger, gumption? Of course you have. You want to make good? You want to make big money? Sure you do. Well, that's all I ask. If you are willing to do your best, backed by my co-operation and help, you can blast out the biggest financial success of your career. I grant credit, you know, so money can't hold you back. I furnish sample on liberal plan. I help you out and back you up. So don't let doubt drag you back. You have nothing to lose. My other men are building homes, starting bank accounts, so can you.

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See how pleased these people are: "Delighted with Tub: will recommend it," Mrs. Jennie Hall, Miss. "Bath Tub O. K. Just right size." Wm. Benz. Ohlo. "Our tub has been in daily use. Fine." Mrs. J. E. Randail, N. Y. "Have been using your Tub. Could not do without it," Mrs. G. C. Money, Iowa. "Robinson Tub first-class," Chas. A. Massie, Wash. "Tub arrived. Children and all delighted." C. R. Loucks, La. "We all took a bath. It sure is a daisy." O. L. Morris, Ore. "After testing your Tub can say it surely is a wonder and gives entire satisfaction," O. P. Morgan, Ohlo.

#### Guaranteed for 10 Years! Cannot Leak

Every Robinson Folding Bath Tub
that leaves our factory is guaranteed for
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for our representatives. Surely the Ideal
bathing equipment without one objectionable feature.

# JOIN ROBINSON'S MULTITUDE OF MONEY-MAKING AGENTS

Yes, join the many agents who are making bigger money than they ever did before. You don't need to quit your regular job right now. Try the business out evenings, Saturday afternoons, whenever you have a little spare time. See that all I tell you is so. Then quit your job. Say good-bye to grinding work and meagre pay. Bid your pay-check pals farewell forever. Just for a change you be the Boss. You can do it. I know after one week of spare-time effort you will be eager to devote all your time to the sale of the Robinson Folding Bath Tub. You will be enthused, positively amazed. You will say: "My luck was surely with me when I got acquainted with Robinson."

#### A Sure Chance for Ambitious Hustlers

A Sure Chance for Ambitious Hustlers

I wish that I might call a meeting of all ambitious men and women in America
that I might talk to them and tell them of the tremendous possibilities in this
business; show them the sales my other representatives are making; convince
them beyond the possibility of doubt that here at last is the chance they have
been waiting for; the "Opportunity" that is said to knock at every man's door
once. If I could only look you squarely in the eye and tell you all the facts
about this wonderful business; if I could only lay before you undenlable proof—
stacks of letters and orders on my desk; if I could show you enthusiastic letters
from Robinson Representatives—Hesitate? Why, man, you wouldn't hesitator
for the thousandth part of a second. You would drop everything, your job,
your other business, like a "hot potato," and say, "Robinson, I am with you."

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Yes, sign this coupon right now. Don't send me a single penny. Don't send me any return postage. Don't send me any remuneration at all. Just sign and mail the coupon. That is all I ask. By sending the coupon you give me the chance to prove every word I have said. Let me prove every statement. Let me tell you the whole enthusing, ambition-awakening story of a tremendous, world-wide success. Will you do this? Of course you will. Sign and mail the coupon NOW!

# H. S. ROBINSON, Pres't,

The Robinson Cabinet Mfg. Co., 233 Vance St., Toledo, O. Canadian Address, Walkerville, Ont., Can.

Sign the coupon below. Let me tell you the amazing story of "Steeline"; let me tell you of that ingenious device that makes the tub self-emptying; let me tell you of the years of self-sacrificing experimental work; the years of unremitting effort in the working out of an ideal; perfect bathing iscliftles for every home, that the rich, the poor, the high, the lowly, might have the comfort and convenience, the pleasure and huxury of a modern bathroom. Let me tell you be the worker of the worker of the working as it is today, an article which I honestly believe to be the worker of the working as the working of the working tell you all this in person, so send the coupon below and let me write you a long letter.

#### Let Me Tell You All

I want to tell you the entire story. Then you can decide whether or not you appreciate the immense possibilities of the business I want you to start in. You will read of hundreds of men in your position who were at first skeptical, then curious, then enthusiastic, who are making bigger money today than then curious, then chusiastic, who are making bigger money today than they ever thought possible in their most roseate day dreams. I will tell you how one ambitious agent in each community car connect with "Opportunity," get a strangle-hold on success; know the blessed stimulus of financial independence. You will then realize, know, and appreciate the fact that honesty and ambition combined with the right proposition and backed by conscientious effort are the only requisites to an abundant success.

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\$300 a month looks good to me. Write me and tell me all about your special plan and how I can make this big money acting as your representative. This obligates me in no way.

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# Improved Master Slide Rule

The Dahl Manufacturing Company of 51-G East 42nd Street, New York, who are well known as manufacturers of the Master slide rule, have recently made an improvement on this rule, and are now offering this product as the Improved Master slide rule. The illustration as presented with this article shows the new rule. Its particular feature is the inter-locking device, which is on every slide, and which makes this rule, when opened, entirely fool-proof and rigid. The rule cannot be closed except by releasing the spring on the first or lower slide. This spring is known as the key spring. When the Master slide rule was first put on the market, there was no device that would prevent the rule, or any section of the rule, from closing, and sometimes a careless workman would make mistakes by not having the rule extended full length or by having one or more of the slides out of place. This cannot occur with the Improved Master slide rule.

The particular feature of the Improved Master slide rule is that accurate inside measurements can be taken just as easily as outside measurements. All the slides, in the improved rule, come out only one at a time, consecutively, from the bottom. The illustration herewith shows the proper method of holding the Improved Master slide rule.

The Dahl Manufacturing Company has added this new and excellent feature to the Master slide rule at immense expense. Patents have been allowed in practically all civilized

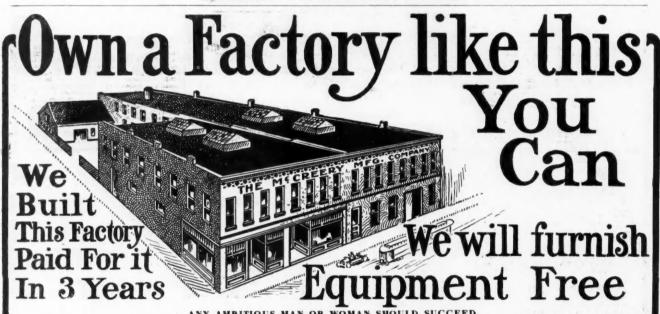


Improved Master Slide Rule in Use

countries. Special machinery was necessary for the making and inserting of the springs. The new rule, however, is offered to consumers at no increase in price and the quotations made for the old rule will still hold good for the new one. Further information can be obtained by addressing the Dahl Manufacturing Company, 51-G East 42nd Street, New York, N. Y.



Detail View of Side of Rule Used for Inside Measuring



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THERE IS A MARKET right in your locality—you can supply it. Every merchant and storekeeper for miles around will buy their canvas gloves from accommendation of the business around will buy their canvas gloves from the competition—sell as cheap or cheaper than they can get elsewhere—Lesides we furnish you names of over 700 jobbers and dealers who buy canves gloves.

YOU CAN START making money from the beging ning—Profits are immense. Cost of production annaintenance of business, small. We borrowed money a few years ago—to start—began with two sewing machines—Today we employ many men and women—Have become independent and prosperous.

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Toledo, Ohio McCREERY MFG. CO.

Requires no experience—We start you in business in your own town. Show you how to grow prosperous in the canvas glove-business. THE DEMAND is enormous—continuous—never failing—everybody—everywhere wears canvas gloves—the farmer—mechanic—doctor—lawyer—the laborer—MILLIONS of canvas gloves—are required to supply the demand—they have revolutionized the glove industry.

THERE IS A MARKET right in your locality—

OHR CREAT OFFER OFFER WOMAN SHOULD SUCCEED

OUR FACTORY is located in a section of the United States where there are nundreds of manufacturing plants—where everything from pins to automobiles are made—Help is scarce—we cannot enlarge our factory—we can't stand still—we must expand, so we want to start a few of these factories—watch their interests a finite number of ambitious men and women in other localities the opportunity to get into this big paying business.

# S.C. JOHNSON & SON

Mr. Contractor. Where - ever - you - are.

Dear Sir: -

The certificate attached to this letter is worth \$1.10 in merchandise. Cut it out, fill in your name after the words "furnish gratis to", and then present it to your leading paint, hardware or drug dealer. He will give you free the book and halfpint packages of Johnson's Wood Dye, Under-Lac and Flat Wood Finish.

If your dealer hasn't this material in stock he will procure it for you from his jobber. Assure him he will be reimbursed for every certificate he redeems -all he has to do is to mail them to us.

These half-pint packages will enable you to give Johnson's Wood Finishes a trial, and we hope you will take advantage of the opportunity. When you have convinced yourself of the merit of these goods we trust that you will use and recommend them in your work. We know they will never fail to give satisfaction to you and your clients.

Our leading products are shown and described on the back of this letter. You are probably familiar with at least part of this line. We want to call your attention to one particularly important feature, and that is - if you specify "JOHNSON'S" - your painter is bound to get good results as our products are very easy to use - furthermore they will save you money in labor as our goods accomplish a quick finish, keeping painters on a job the minimum length of time. This quick-drying quality also prevents dust and dirt from accumulating in the finish.

Use the certificate and prove our claims.

Insist upon your dealer redeeming this coupon. He can very easily get these half-pint packages for you as all the leading paint, drug and hardware jobbers handle Johnson's Artistic Wood Finishes.

Thanking you for your attention and wishing you and yours a happy and prosperous New Year, we remain

Respectfully,

S. C. JOHNSON & SON

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Upon presentation of this certificate please furnish gratis

1/2 PINT JOHNSON'S WOOD DYE (DESIRED SHADE)

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# Johnson's Artistic Wood Finishes

# JOHNSON'S WOOD DYE



is manufactured in seventeen popular shades for the artistic coloring of all wood. With it inexpensive soft woods may be finished so they are quite as beautiful as hard wood. Johnson's Wood Dye is a combination spirit-oil dye possessing the good qualities of both a spirit and an oil stain and the disadvantages of neither.

All shades of Johnson's Wood Dve may be lightened by adding wood or denatured alcohol and darkened by adding No. 172 Flemish Oak Dye.

Two or three shades may also be mixed together—in this way hundreds of different effects can easily be produced.

# JOHNSON'S PREPARED WAX

for finishing and polishing all new and old furniture, woodwork and floors. Contains 20% more of the hard expensive polishing wax than other brands on the market-for this reason it will cover one-fifth more space and will never become sticky or tacky in the warmest weather or from the heat of the body. Unsurpassed as a furniture polish.



Johnson's Prepared Wax is the only proper finish for floors, as it will not show scratches or heel-marks and can be easily kept in perfect condition. To get the best results on floors a weighted brush should be used for polishing the wax.

# JOHNSON'S UNDER - LAC



superior to shellac or varnish and should be used wherever these preparations would ordinarily be used. Particularly

adapted tor use over Johnson's Wood Dye where a high gloss is desired. Unequaled for oil-cloth, linoleum, sanitas, etc. It dries hard in less than an hour.

# JOHNSON'S PASTE WOOD FILLER



is for filling the grain and pores of all wood. It is made from the best needle-like silex crystals, pure linseed oil and best Japan dryer. It does not

settle or harden in the cans as is the case with most fillers. It may be wiped with ease 6 hours after applying, and dries rock-hard in twenty-four hours. Made in four shades-Natural, Golden Oak, Dark Oak and Antwerp.

# JOHNSON'S FLAT WOOD FINISH



for that beautiful, artistic, hand-rubbed effect without the expense of rubbing. Imparts a durable finish which can be

washed with water. With it one can accomplish a finish closely resembling the hand-rubbed at onethird the expense. Apply with a brush. It dries hard in three or four hours. Is giving perfect satisfaction everywhere.

# JOHNSON'S POWDERED WAX



for ball-room floors. Put up in enameled tin cans with perforated tops. Very easy to use - simply sprinkle lightly over the floor just before the dance and the feet of the

dancers will spread the wax, polishing the floor and producing a perfect dancing surface. It is absolutely free from dust. Has just slip enough and not a bit too much.

# JOHNSON'S CRACK FILLER



for filling cracks and crevices in floors and woodwork which are to be finished natural or with John-

son's Wood Dye. It hardens in twentyfour hours so the work may be finished and it takes Johnson's Wood Dye the same as the wood itself.

#### JOHNSON'S FLOOR KLEEN



for cleaning finished floors and keeping them in perfect condition. Very simple to use. It removes all spots, stains, discolorations, water marks, etc., leaving the wood bright

and clean. Adapted for cleaning all floors - whether finished with wax, shellac, varnish, oil, or any other preparation.

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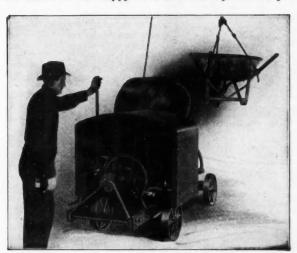
#### The Medium Size Mixer

The "Big-an-Litle" Concrete Mixer is designed especially to meet the requirements of the building contractor who would find a larger machine too expensive a proposition for him to use. Its capacity is up to fifty cubic yards per day, one-sixth of a yard per batch, and its average output ability is a mix a minute. The operating power is furnished by a gasoline power engine of two and one-half horse power, and as a time, labor and money saving machine in this line of work it is worth while investigating.

Should it be so specified, this mixer will come to you equipped with a Lifting Hoist, as per the illustration, which makes it a two-in-one machine, as the hoist can be used by most contractors to good advantage.

As is well known to the building world, the Jaeger Machine Company has achieved a wonderful success in the designing and manufacturing of concrete mixing machinery. During the past nine years this company have placed upon the market many valuable products, and it has a justly earned reputation of being one of the leading manufacturers of such goods. And in the "Big-an-Litle" Concrete Mixer this company has combined all the exclusive and unsurpassed features of efficiency, reliability, durability, quality and economy found in its make of larger machines.

This machine gives a perfect mixture, as has been proven by very severe tests, a fact due to its correct principle of construction and operation. Compared with any hand mixing method, it gives a saving of fully 50 cents per cubic yard, in addition to the producing of a much superior mix and with far less labor. Where the building contractor finds the larger size machines too costly for his general use, and yet finds hand mixing expensive owing to the time and labor involved, the "Big-an-Litle" Concrete Mixer is the happy medium whereby he can pros-



Big-an-Little Mixer with Hoist

ecute his work to the best advantage and greatest possible profit.

Consequently, and as may be supposed, there is a steadily increasing demand being made for this valuable machine. If space limit here would permit, we would only be too glad to publish a detailed description of the machine and its operations, but to do so would require more space than could be devoted to the subject. Therefore, our suggestion is that those interested to learn full particulars, address The Jaeger Machine Company. It is a machine that merits your investigation. Address the Jaeger Machine Co., Columbus, Ohio.



Think of it, a faucet that saves time, money and worry by putting an end to re-washering. A faucet that saves money for the user because it never leaks and never needs repairs!

Entirely different from any other faucet on the market. Instead of the obsolete, short-lived washer, the J-M Faucet is made with a conical valve that bears directly on a spherical seating.

Leakage is impossible, as the metal-to-metal contact between valve and seating is absolutely perfect at all 'times.

Operates as well on high pressure as on low. As efficient on hot water as on cold. No water hammer. No whistling. No splashing. No dripping to discolor porcelain sinks and tubs. Self-cleaning seat.

# In Demand Everywhere

Millions of dollars are wasted every year by leaky faucets. Municipal authorities and property owners everywhere are eager to eliminate this waste. You can help them — by recommending the J-M Washerless Faucet.

# **Not An Experiment**

This faucet is a famous English patent. Prominent engineers and water experts pronounce it the most perfect faucet on the market. Thousands have been in successful use for years. Adopted by the Metropolitan Water Board of London and other cities.

# Sold with an Unqualified Guarantee

To show our confidence in the J-M Washerless Faucet we guarantee the valve seating against ordinary wear and tear for ten years.

Write Us Today for Booklet

# H. W. JOHNS-MANVILLE CO.

Manufacturers of Asbestos Shingles; Roofings; Stucco; Pipe Coverings; Cold Storage Insulation; Water proofing; Samitary Specialties; Accoustical Correction; Cork Tiling; Fireproof Doors, Etc.

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# urn the dull winter

Take orders for Seattle Silos to be delivered later in year

# Big special offer to contractors, contracting carpenters and builders. Effective January, February and March

Turn dull days into big profits. Write today for our special proposition which will enable you to make a lot of unexpected profit the next few months. We have previously mentioned in our advertising that we manufacture a high grade silo in the Seattle Silo—and sell it at a low price because sold direct from mill. We want to put from 10 to 40 of these silos into your neighborhood next summer to show farmers the wonderful values and the amazing quality we can give them in lumber and millwork of all kinds.

# You can easily clean up several hundred dollars profit

within the next three months. There are dozens of farmers in your neighborhood needing silos-and the farmers know they need them. Show the farmer what a wonderfully good silo we have for him at unheard of prices tell him about the dependable quality and life-long durability of the silo and you can get his order on the spot for delivery not later than July 1st. You'll get a good commission on each silo that you sell, as well as the chance for a good job of erecting it for the farmer later on in the year.

## At the right is one of the ads used in last season's advertising

This gives you in brief the leading points concerning the Seattle Silo. We will give you full particulars when you write. We'll tell you about the unsurpassed quality of the one-piece fir staves and their toughness and durability. We'll tell you just how our plan of selling works out and how it means up to a 60% saving to the farmer.

# We pay you handsomely to get Hewitt-Lea-Funck's products known in your neighborhood

Shown in your neighborhood. The commission we allow you on the sale of a Seattle Silo will mean to us the sacrifice of our profit you will sell our silos at the same price we would quote direct. But we will profit in the end, because every sale of a Seattle Silo will bring us further business. Once a neighborhood gets acquainted with the quality of Hewitt-Lea-Funck lumber, the lowness of our prices, and the fair and square way in which we do business, we are sure of a big business from that neighborhood.

## If this proposition sounds good tell us to hold open this chance

tell us to hold open this chance
—use the coupon today—NOW

If our proposition sounds good, get a pen or
pencil right now and fill out the blank. You
aren't the only man in your neighborhood
who is eager for a chance to turn the tedious
winter days to profit. If you want the opportunity to make some big money on Scattle
Silos, lose no time in letting us know—fill out
reservation blank at the bottom of this page
and mail today. Doing this doesn't obligate
you, it merely tells us you are interested, and
holds open the opportunity.

# HEWITT-LEA-FUNCK COMPANY 408 Crary Bldg., Seattle, Wash.

# Give me first chance at that Silo proposition

# Hewitt-Lea-Funck Co., 408 Crary Bldg., Seattle, Wash.

Gentlemen:—Your Silo proposition, so far as you have outlined it in your advertisement, sounds good to me. I believe I would like to act as your representative on the plan outlined. Please send full information and reserve for me the following counties.

you know within five days after getting your proposition whether or not I will represent you.

R. F. D. No. or Street\_

Post Office Business

# Direct from the mill

Don't pay a fancy price for a silo. No better silo than the Seattle, and the price is very low. Made of famous "Puget Sound" fir. Manufactured in one of the six mills. Sold direct to you at one profit above producing cost. You get better quality as well as up to a 60% saving on a

### Seattle Save up to 60% on this clear fir Silo

Close and straight grain. No sap or knots. Wonderfully durable. Doors of new patented swinging type. Quick detachable. No lifting. Door bars form safe, strong ladder from which hoops are easily tightened. Write today for special silo folder and how to get low shipping rates even on single silos.

# Save up to 60% on lumber and millwork

Get better lumber, too. Buy the choiccest lumber and millwork at prices up to 60% lower than local dealers ask for inferior materials. Tou are guaranteed satisfaction when you deal with us. All orders shipped within 24 to 48 hours. Reach our customers within an average of two weeks' time.

Write today for catalog and price list. Send bill of materials, if you can, for estimate.

Hewitt-Lea-Funck Co. 408 Crary Bldg., Seattle, Wash.

# days into big profits

# Resolve to make 1914 your biggest year—

And start NOW to make good in your resolve by getting Hewitt-Lea-Funck's proposition to you

If you have been passing by the chance to get better lumber and mill-work at a saving of up to 60%, take advantage of this profit-making opportunity the coming year, and write for our proposition today.

Hundreds of carpenters, contractors and builders have benefited by our not of forest-to-mill-to-user, since we began selling direct to the lumber user a year and a half ago. We control the forests, operate saw mills, logging railways, plaing ills and ship direct at one small profit over producing cost. Not one middlema gt profit.

# Better lumber at up to a 60% saving means more jobs and double profits

Our low prices enable you to underbid your competitor, get the business and make more profit, besides. If you stand to make \$300 on a \$3000 contract, based on the purchase of lumber you buy locally, you can make \$600 on the contract, buying materials of us.

Your customers will be delighted with the quality of the material you put into their buildings if you use Hewitt-Lea-Funck lumber, millwork and shingles. The work you do is your best advertisment. Here's your chance to make your customers strong friends and boosters, by giving them better materials.

# Let our architects help you plan —let us figure your lumber bills

In addition to giving you the chance so get better lumber at a wonderful saving, we are equipped to be of great help in working up plans for your customers and figuring your bills for you. We have a large plan department, and maintain constantly a large staff of architects under the charge of one of the best known architects on the Pacific Coast. We'll draw plans from sketches at one-tenth the charge local architects make. We'll give you our advice, without charge, on inside or outside decorating, landscape gardening, etc. We're experts at designing barns. We have a large corps of expert estimators ready to give their instant attention to your lumber bills.

# We serve the East as well as the West

Six great mills on the Pacific Coast stand ready to fill your orders immediately. Our standing rule is, "Get out all orders within 24 to 42 hours." Seven rival railroads rush our shipments to destination. Two weeks or less to the Mississippi is the usua time of delivery. Our amazingly low mill price counterbalances the freight and makes possible a 40% to 60% saving besides. In addition to our Pacific Coast mills we have a large Southern mill for the service of South and East.

# Hewitt-Lea-Funck Co.

408 Crary Bldg.

Seattle, Wash.

Absolute satisfaction guaranteed

You can't lose in dealing with us. We prepay the freight, allowing thorough inspection of lumber before accepted. Even then you and the owner are protected by our guarantee which reads, "We guarantee better material, grade for grade, than trust and combine standards"—(the standard local dealers go by.)

# Get our prices F. O. B. your station and our proposition to you

Mail the coupon today. See what a wonderful saving we can make you on all material items. Find out how greatly we can help you to increase your profit. We ship everything complete for building; lumber, lath, sash, doors, shingles, millwork, hardware and paint. Send us any bills of materials on which you are now figuring and get an estimate of cost delivered your station. Even if you aren't doing much figuring right now, get our prices and our proposition. See what a wonderful saving we are prepared to make you. Plan now for a big business later on. Mail the coupon today.

Send this coupon today together with the coupon on opposite page

# Hewitt-Lea-Funck Co., 408 Crary Bldg., Seattle, Wash.

(BE SURE TO WRITE PLAINLY)

Please send me the following:

( ) Catalog and General Price List of Lumber and Millwork.

Name

Street or R. F. D. No. .

Post Office\_\_\_

Business

# They Have Free Trial Offer

Wayvell Chappell & Co., 4847 E. Ravenswood Park, Chicago, are offering an automatic ball-bearing electric floor surfacing machine that will pay any builder to look into. It is warranted to dress wood floors quickly, cheaply and attractively.

On new work it will sandpaper a finish that will stand inspection against a slant light after varnishing, so that hand scraping is not necessary for a first-class piece of work; on old floors, it will rapidly remove old varnish, shellac, dirt, etc., and make them white, clean and sanitary-like new floorsor will quickly take off the wood of rough or badly-warped

Made in three sizes-for small rooms and the largest areas. Is powerful, self-propelling, has automatic brake for easy and uniform work, surfaces to base with edge roller quickly adjusted to either side. Address the above company Dept. D., for their booklet, which tells all about the machine.

# Necessity of Using a Typewriter

Today a typewriter is absolutely essential in writing business letters of any nature. It is an injustice to any business man to correspond with him in long hand.

Even though you write only one or two business letters a week, these letters should be typewritten. We all now-a-days have lost the ability to write in the beautiful flowing copper plate style of writing of our grandfathers; and the modern hand-written letter is responsible for an enormous number of mistakes of all kinds; some of them costing far more than the price of a typewriter.

The man who is satisfied to write business letters with any old kind of a pen, or possibly with a lead pencil, has only himself to blame if he is considered a tenth-rate proposition.

He knows that the man or business house who has to puzzle his letters out will not pay very much attention to him.

Most people, even completely recognizing the fact that business correspondence should be typewritten, find that an expense of \$100 for a typewriter is beyond their reach-even though they realize that it is expensive and undignified to try to get along without one.

There is an enormous demand today for a thoroughly reliable and satisfactory typewriter, at a price within the reach of the man having even only one or two letters a week to write; a machine that anyone using the complete and detailed instructions furnished with each typewriter can operate to produce perfect work with half an hour's practice. Harry A. Smith, realizing this demand for a machine that can be relied on to do perfect work and give satisfactory service, is offering in this issue a typewriter that will write a clean cut and perfect letter and stand up under the hardest kind of usage, at a price making it possible for everyone to enjoy this convenience and business necessity.

# "Easy-To-Make" Furniture

This is a large portfolio size book, measuring 12 by 18 inches. It illustrates 100 easy-to-make furniture designs, drawn to scale by expert designers. It is stated that this book of working drawings has been created through the collaboration of some of Grand Rapids' foremost furniture designers and craftsmen, to meet the demand that has arisen for work of this kind.

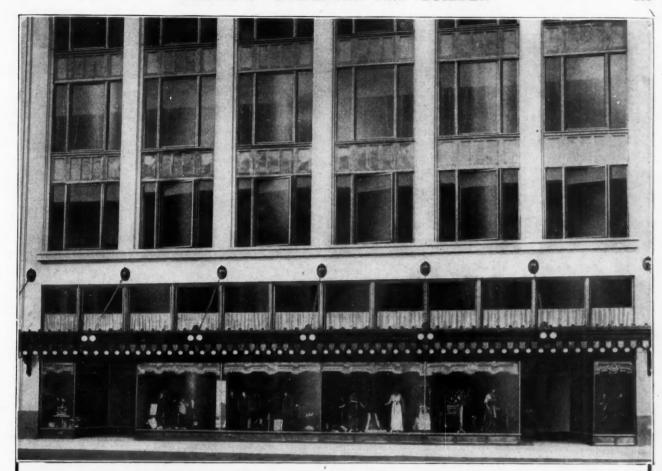
See the announcement in another part of this magazine regarding this book, or write the publishers, Crater & Holt, 43 National Avenue, Grand Rapids, Mich.



college or to start a garage and repair business. Auto owners—repair your own tires—save money—pay for your outfit in short time. We have outfits for home use. Anyhow investigate. Send today for catalogue. See the wonderful possibilities in this marvelous field. Learn of the enormous money-making opportunities in this fascinating new business.

HAYWOOD TIRE & EQUIPMENT CO.,

660 N. Capitol Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.



# The Most Satisfactory Construction

The construction for store fronts and display windows most satisfactory to Architects, Contractors and Owners, is one which combines beauty, distinction and classiness with simplicity and rapidity of setting as well as security and safety to the glass. There is but one construction which embodies all these points and that is the

# Zouri 1914 Safety Setting For Plate Glass

The "all glass" effect secured by the Zouri 1914 Safety Construction gives a maximum of display front with a minimum of sash.

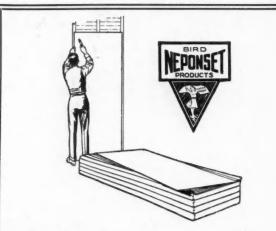
The All-Metal Construction of the Zouri 1914 Front gives beauty as well as durability.

The attractiveness of a store front of Zouri 1914 Safety Construction makes it a very profitable investment, while its safety makes it the most satisfactory setting to use for plate glass.

The safety of the Zouri 1914 Setting is secured by the indirect pressure method of fastening the outer mouldings against the glass. No chance for careless workmen to set the screws so tight that the glass will break—or to leave them so loose that it will rattle. Be sure your specifications call for Zouri 1914 Safety Settings for both sash, rail and corner bars. If not write our Service Department for advice and suggestions. They can give you many reasons why you should use the Zouri Store Fronts.

# ZOURI DRAWN METALS COMPANY

221-233 WEST SCHILLER STREET, CHICAGO



# Winter Profits

This winter you can do a nice business building partitions, finishing off or remodeling rooms with

# NEPONSET WALL BOARD

You have probably seen our advertising to House Owners in which we have told them to "fix up their house this winter" with NEPONSET Wall Board. Remember this—NEPONSET Wall Board is waterproof and finished. It does not require decoration. The whole job is yours.

# **BIRD & SON**

EAST WALPOLE, MASSACHUSETTS
21 RIVER STREET



New York Chicago Washington Portland, Ore. San Francisco Canadian Plant, Hamilton, Ont.

### Plumbing and Heating Supply House Enlarge Plant

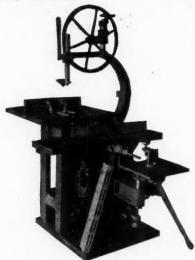
The John Hardin Company, of Chicago, have recently enlarged their plant and are now capable of handling nearly twice their former business. This company have been established over thirty years, located at the same address, and are the original jobbers of plumbing and heating supplies selling direct to the contractor and consumer at wholesale prices. The general manager, Mr. John A. Usher, reports that the out-of-town business has increased over 100 per cent in the past year.

The company has just issued a new catalog showing everything in plumbing and heating supplies, water pressure systems and gas lighting apparatus for country homes. The book is very nicely gotten up, contains over 250 pages and is sent free to all those contemplating building or remodeling.

The company invites out-of-town customers to call when in Chicago, and they will be glad to show them through the establishment.

### **Guaranteed Woodworking Machinery**

The Tannewitz Works, Grand Rapids, Mich., guarantee every machine and part described in this catalog to be strictly high grade in every way, and to be unexcelled by any other machines of this class, regardless of their higher prices. They use only the best materials and the best workmanship in these machines. They claim you cannot buy better quality for the purpose in any other machine built. They guarantee that should there be any defect in the material or workmanship they will make it good by replacement or otherwise without expense to customers.



Tannewitz Universal Woodworker

They are now making an offer to send any of these machines or parts, shipped with the distinct understanding that builders are to have the privilege of returning them at the end of ten days from date, if for any reason they find them unsatisfactory. They will return the full amount paid, together with any freight charges. This is the most liberal offer that could be made.

One of their leaders is the Tannewitz Type "C" Universal Woodworker with band saw and wheeled truck. It is a substantial, portable and all cast iron Universal Woodworker. You secure four machines in one at practically the price usually charged for any one of these machines When you consider buying this woodworker you are not buying one machine and three extra attachments On the contrary, you are buying four distinct machines, any one of which can be used on ordinary work without setting up. These machines are combined simply to lower the cost of manufacture.

Address the above company for full particulars.



1—INSIDE WALLS
Headers should be placed
where needed for nailing top
and bottom of panels, top of



2—PLACING PANEL
First nail top center to hold
in place. Continue as in next
picture.



3—NAILING CENTER Always nail to intermediate studding, before nailing edges. Use fine wire brads.



4—NAILING EDGES
Smooth out panels, then nail edges with flat-head nails, three inches apart.



5—SAWING fine, panel saw, as for lumber, pebbled side

# BEAVER BOARD

# A Standard Building Material

T is time for every contractor and car-I penter to seriously consider the facts.

A one-man, one-factory business in 1906 is today a world-wide business which covers every part of the United States and Canada; is established in Great Britain, and reaches South America, Europe, Australia and other Countries.

BEAVER BOARD is a big success, and its use should be as thoroughly understood as that of brick, lumber, concrete or any other building material.

# Good Workmanship Needed

BEAVER BOARD is easily put up, and the carpenter is the right man to do it. But first-class A-1 results can't be obtained by merely slapping it on the wall. Instructions must be followed.

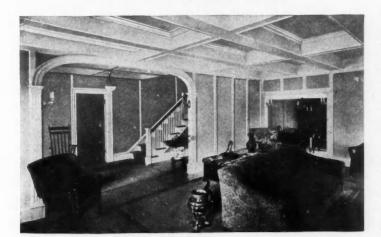
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story. Furthermore, we stand ready to give you the benefit of our eight years experience all at once.

Also full information about recent improvements that have made BEAVER BOARD better than

#### THE BEAVER BOARD COMPANIES

United States: 328 Beaver Road, Buffalo, N. Y. Canada: 528 Wall St., Beaverdale, Ottawa. Great Britain: 4 Southampton Row, London, W. C.



FINE WORKMANSHIP
This beautiful interior in the home of Mr. J. H. Manning at Ballston Lake. N. Y., gives a hint of the fine results of good BEAVER BOARD designing and workmanship.





6—CEILINGS
Note support at right to hold
ose end of panel in place.



7—PAINTING
This should be done before strips are put over edges of panels.



Decorative strips are stained

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# Many Uses for Canvas Roofing

In Pittsburgh, Pa., recently, an interesting piece of work was done with canvas roofing over concrete. The concrete roof of a large reinforced building was to be used during the noon hour by the employes of the concern occupying the building. It was thought best to cover this concrete with canvas roofing but the question of fastening to the concrete, and making the entire job thoroughly waterproof and satisfactory was not without its difficulties. Con-ser-tex canvas, made by the William L. Barrell Co., 8 Thomas Street, New York City, was finally selected by the architect, as suitable for this kind of work. The surface to be covered was broomcleaned and free from ridges or rough places. One coat of a suitable waterproof coating was then applied, and as soon as the surface was dry a coating of heavy liquid glue was put on. Con-ser-tex canvas was then laid with the brown side down in the wet glue and stretched tightly, care having been taken to work out all air bubbles under the canvas so as to insure close adhesion. The canvas was lapped on the edges 11/2 inches, set in glue. After laying and setting, the upper side of the canvas was painted with a light coat of good lead and oil paint, and a second and heavier coat was added after the first was thoroughly dry.

The illustration shown with this article, is that of a new house in Orange, N. J. Con-ser-tex canvas roofing was used on the main porch roof and the porch deck of the house, which, as can be seen, is of stucco. The canvas was put on before the stucco. The flashing was then put on, and finally the stucco applied. Con-ser-tex canvas roofing can be used in connection with slate, or any roofing, for valleys or hips in place of copper or tin. It can also be used in place of box gutters. Where flat roofs are used a piece of lead or copper, 14 inches square, can be laid on the roof over the spout opening and the canvas fastened over



Fine House at Orange, N. J., Roofed as to Porch Roof and Deck with Con-Ser-Tex Canvas Roofing

it. Later the canvas can be cut and glued down. This is a very satisfactory method of using canvas in place of box gutters. It is cheaper and saves considerable labor.

Con-ser-tex canvas is particularly suitable for porch roofs on account of its sound proof feature. It is neat in appearance, low in first cost, and extremely durable. Every reader of the American Carpenter and Builder should be acquainted with this excellent product, and a full set of samples with prices will be mailed to any address on request, to the Wm. L. Barrel Co., 8 Thomas St., New York.

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New York, Minneapolis, Chicago, Philadelphia, Milwaukee, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Oakland, Dallas, Boston, St. Paul, Kansas City, and over 300 other leading points. Bearing Terne Plates, together with the convincing evidences of their superior service qualities, should awaken an intense interest on the part of buyers and users of these commodities.

Practical and important developments along the line of improving quality, and the betterment of the products used by the sheet metal trade, have been due to the efforts of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, which firm for a number of years has been making these matters a subject of diligent research, and has been conducting service tests of the various materials now in common use. The results of these tests are absolute and unequivocal, since actual time and weather determined the measure of service, and likewise the loss from rust and corrosion.

The acid test as a correct measure of corrosion is practically everywhere now regarded as an exploded theory, and has been relegated to the ash heap of abandoned "proofs." It is unreasonable to suppose that submitting a product for a few hours to a highly destructive agency should in anywise be regarded as a fair or conclusive proof of its durability when exposed to the elements. In contrast to this, the results of actual service tests have proven beyond disputation that Copper Bearing Steel possesses exceptional resistance to rust.

It is an established fact that scientifically manufactured steel when alloyed with a certain percentage of copper, possesses remarkable durability, and will resist corrosion and the action of the elements to a great degree.

The working qualities of Copper Bearing Steel are likewise important. This material is soft and more ductile, and experience has proved it to be satisfactorily worked when subjected to severe drawing or forming operations.

It is a logical conclusion, therefore, as a result of these findings, that Copper Bearing Sheets and Copper Bearing Terne Plates are destined to fill a long felt want in the sheet metal trades. It has also been shown that these products are well adapted for the manufacture of Roofing, Siding, Culverts, Tanks, Car Roofs, and all exposed Sheet Metal Work, where durability and resistance to the deteriorating influences of weather and soil are highly important factors.

The only sure and certain measure of value for all sheet metal products is service, and Copper Bearing Steel has unquestionably proved its worth along this line. Then, too, the name is not fanciful or misleading, but clearly indicates the nature of the product—a feature that is appreciated by both buyer and user.

In view of all developments, it is but fair to predict that the use of Copper Bearing Steel is but in its infancy, and as a material to meet general needs, it has come to stay.

It is a matter of note that many leading concerns have already recognized the truth of the claims made for Copper Bearing Steel, and have adopted it for their requirements. Other users have been investigating and have conducted tests individually, but with practically the same results as obtained by the manufacturers. Notably among these are prominent Railroad Systems, Stove and Range Manufacturers, Culvert, Tank and Silo Manufacturers.

Leading buyers and users have been thoroughly convinced of the superiority of this material, and its worth is further evidenced by the increasing demand for Copper Bearing Steel Sheets, both black and galvanized and for Copper Bearing Roofing Tin. The manufacturers will gladly supply any metal worker or distributor with full and explicit information regarding Copper Bearing Steel, together with illustrations, tables and analyses of many exhaustive tests which have been conducted. It is to the interest of the trade to secure complete information on this important subject, since the merits of this material are now being everywhere recognized.





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## The Universal Clothes-Drier

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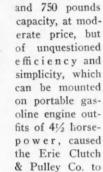
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## The "Reliable Erie" Portable Hoists

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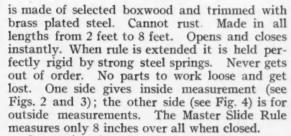
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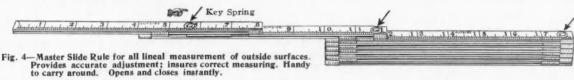
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The new home of the company is a modern six-story building with floors measuring 47 by 187 feet, located at 207-13 E. Saratoga St., which is within two blocks of the Post Office and right in the heart of the business section. It will include an attractive store and up-to-date offices, in addition to large warehouse accommodations. To facilitate the handling of incoming and outgoing shipments there will be a railroad switch running into the building.

Cleveland-The Cleveland (Sixth City) branch of the H. W. Johns-Manville Co., has recently been obliged to provide larger quarters for several of its subsidiary offices. The Columbus Office and contract department are now located on the ground floor of the new seven story fireproof Peters Power Building, 45 West Long Street, with large warehouse facilities half a block distant. The Toledo Office and warehouse have been moved to 213 Water Street. This Office has just completed a pipe covering, stack lining and cork tiling job in the Second National Bank Building, Toledo, which possesses many unique features. Other Cleveland Branch sub-offices are located in Akron (717 Second National Bank Building,) Dayton (259 Fourth Street Arcade), and Youngstonwn (502 Stambaugh Building). Resident representatives are stationed at Lima, Massilon, Greenville and other points in Ohio, also at Huntington and Parkersburg, W. Va. Their work is supplemented by a large corps of traveling men. Last, but not least, the Cleveland Branch has just closed a long-term lease for another larger warehouse on Front Street which, when remodeled, will give the branch larger and better storage and shipping facilities than ever.

Toronto—The Toronto branch of The Canadian H. W. Johns-Manville Co., Limited, announces its removal to more spacious quarters at No. 19 Front Street, East. This new store and warehouse has a floor area of approximately 35,000 sq. ft. and is situated in the heart of the wholesale district.

In their new quarters this firm will be able to carry a larger stock and have ample space for the display of their complete line of J-M Asbestos Roofings, Packings, Pipe Coverings, Building Materials, Electrical and Railroad Supplies, Automobile and Plumbing Specialties, etc.

The entire building will be lighted by their well-known Frink and J-M Linolite System of Lighting and one room will be used for exhibiting these systems of lighting.

San Francisco—The San Francisco Branch of the H. W. Johns-Manville Co., recently secured a contract for J-M Transite Asbestos Shingles, to be used on Fort Castenas, Honolulu, H. I.

These shingles are not only artistic but, it is said, are both fireproof and immune to the action of the elements. They are made of Portland cement and asbestos moulded under hydraulic pressure, and should, therefore, be extremely strong and practically indestructible. Because of their insulating qualities, buildings covered with these shingles are said to be warmer in winter and cooler in summer—the latter an important feature in connection with any roof covering for use in a tropical climate. A booklet describing these shingles in detail can be secured by addressing the manufacturers.

## Kirker-Bender Fire Escapes Popular

The Dow Wire and Iron Works, Louisville, Ky., have just made shipment of three Kirker-Bender fire escapes for the State Training School at Chehalis, and four for the Insane Hospital at Ft. Steilacoom, Wash.

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## The Stearns Floor Scraper

Among the latest candidates for popular favor in the way of floor-surfacing machines is the Stearns Floor Scraper No. 10, made by E. C. Stearns & Co., 400 Oneida St., Syra-



Stearns Floor Scraper

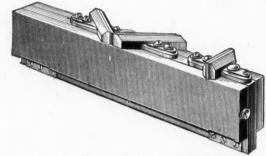
cuse, N. Y., and a general view of which is presented. The handle is adjustable and with its braces is 381/2 inches long; the wheels are 5 inches in diameter and rubber tired, so as not to mar the floor, and the finish is in aluminum. The wheels are set in and the knife can be run close up against a wall when the scraper is in use. The knife, which is 6 inches wide, scrapes the floor when the scraper is drawn towards the operator and it is firmly clamped in the scraper. The weight of the device is such that as

nearly all of it rests on the knife it tends to prevent vibration or "chatter," thus doing away with all wavy effects on the floor. In adjusting the scraper there are only two screws to manipulate, thus rendering the device simple in operation. The weight of the scraper complete is only 115 lbs.

## Gem Folding Mitre Box

The illustration shows a new folding mitre box of much merit, which is being placed on the market by J. C. Mc-Carty & Co., 21 Murray Street, New York City. This is a mitre box that occupies very small space when folded.

It consists of a central frame or partition, and to this the two base pieces are hinged. The saw cuts are reinforced at the top with steel guides which insure abso-



Gem Folding Mitre Box in Folded Position

lutely accurate cutting. These guides are easily and quickly adjusted.

The Gem folding mitre box is adapted to any size or style of hand or back saw. Moderate in price and very convenient, this folding mitre box will be interesting to all carpenters, and should be investigated at once. Inquire of your local hardware dealer or write the manufacturers who will send full information.

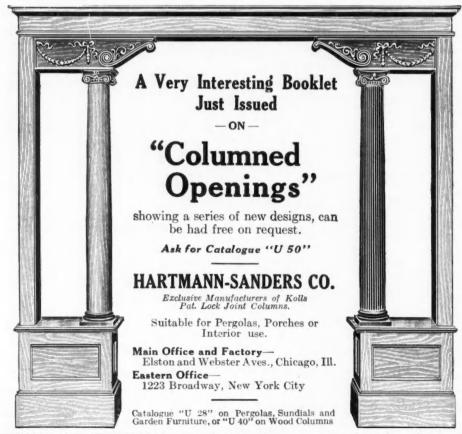


## Universal Auto Turntables

When the automobile was first introduced, garages were unknown. Owners of cars had little thought of that item, because the barn was considered adequate for their needs.

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## Double-Faced Sharpening Wheel

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Drilling can be easilv done with the "Best Maide" Grinders by means of special attachments for bench use and for free hand work. Both these

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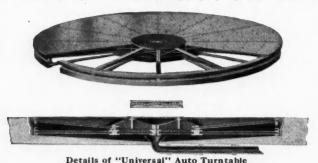
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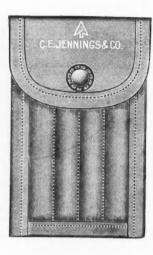
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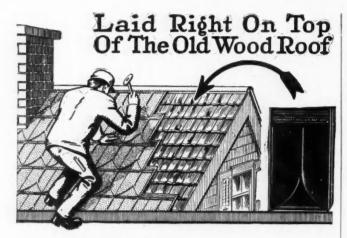
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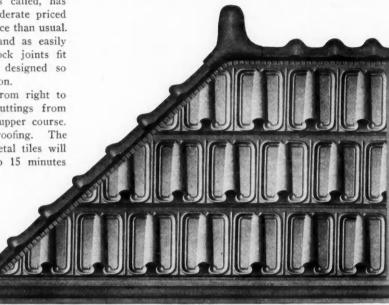
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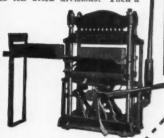
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In this catalog they have illustrated only those designs that are in keeping with the trend of domestic architecture of the present day. In all of the work illustrated, the architectural detail has been carefully carried out; everything correct in design and detail, which gives this work a pronounced air of distinction.

The illustration reproduced on page 128 is interesting. This columned opening was furnished for the rooms in the new Hotel Sherman, Chicago. The total width of the opening is 14 feet, the height 10 feet, pedestals are 3 feet long by 30 inches high and columns 8 inches in diameter.

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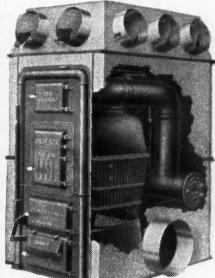
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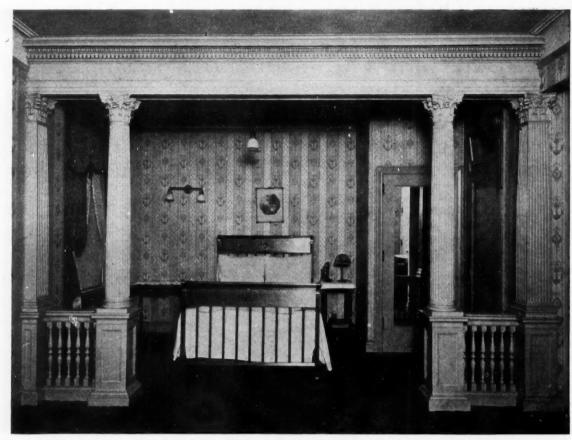
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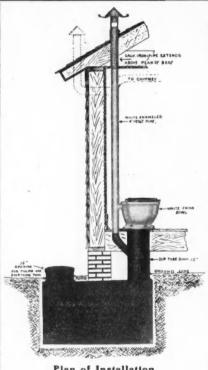
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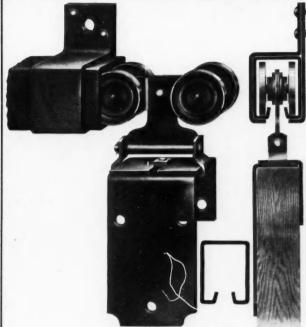
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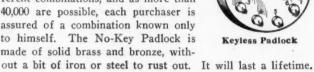
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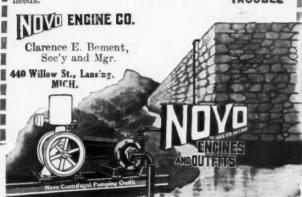
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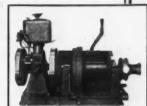
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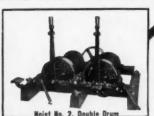
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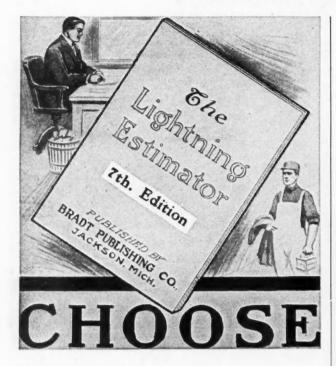
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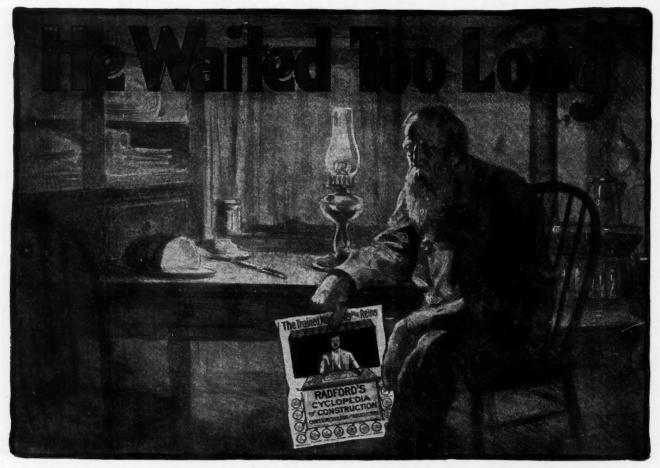


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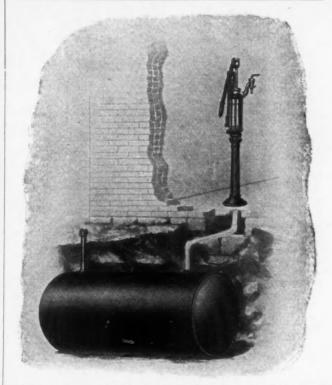
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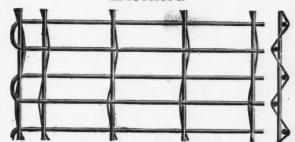
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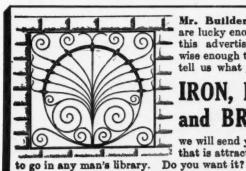
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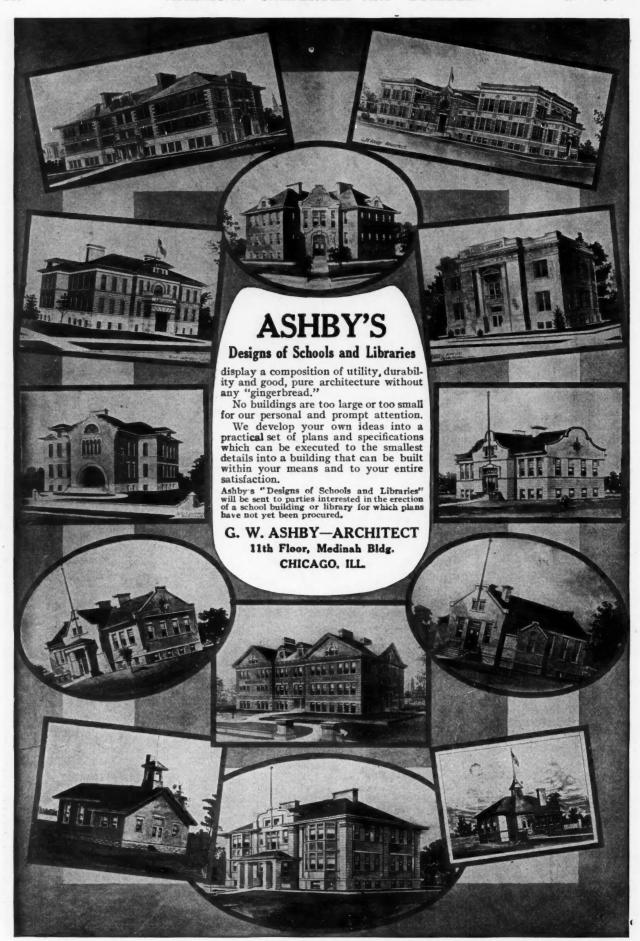
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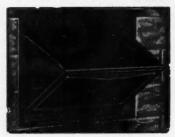
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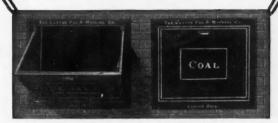
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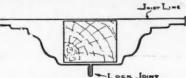
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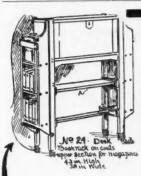
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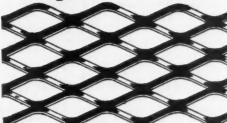
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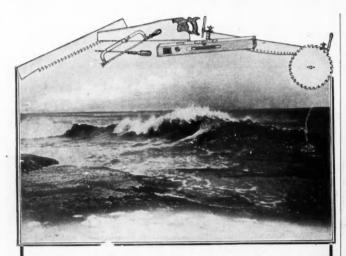
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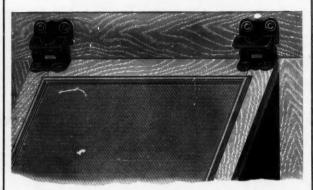
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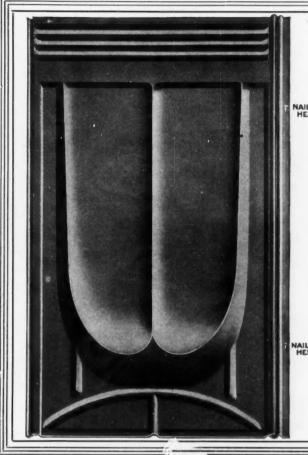


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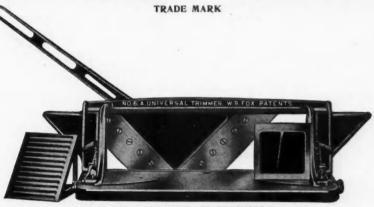
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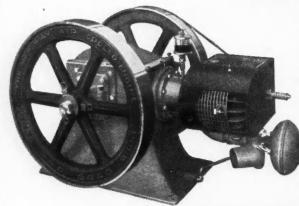
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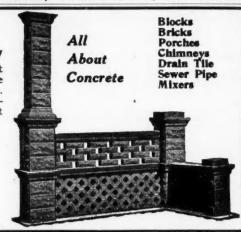
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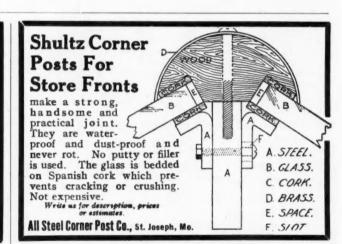


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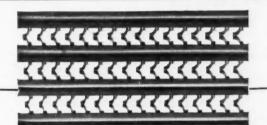
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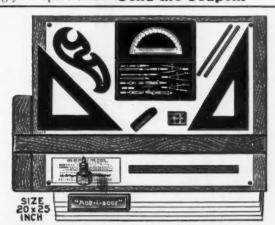
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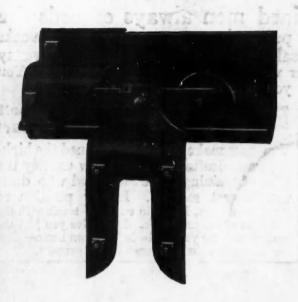
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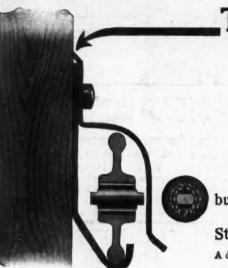
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