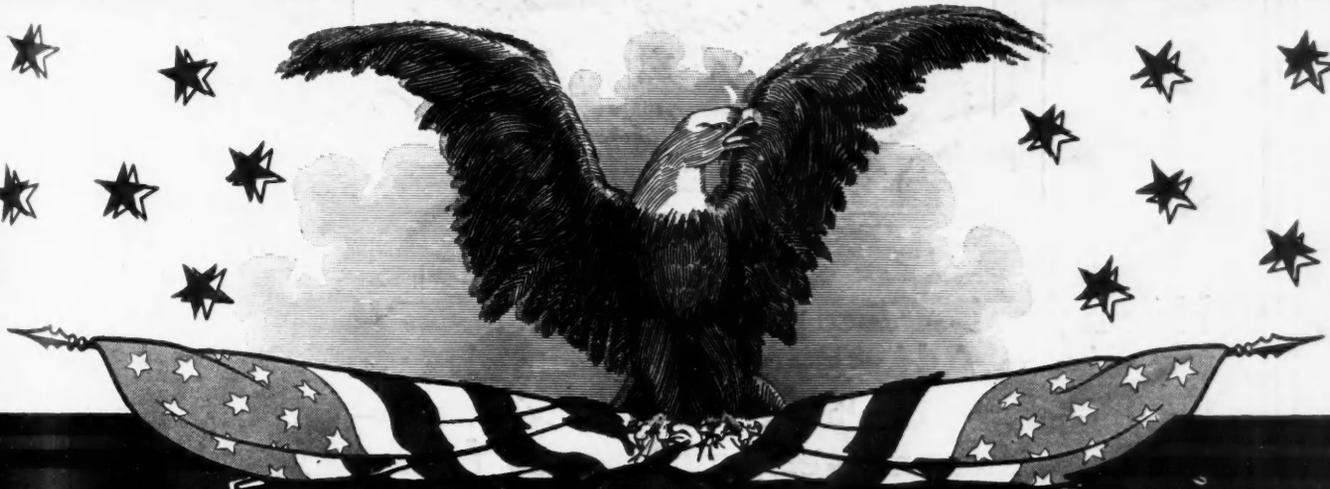


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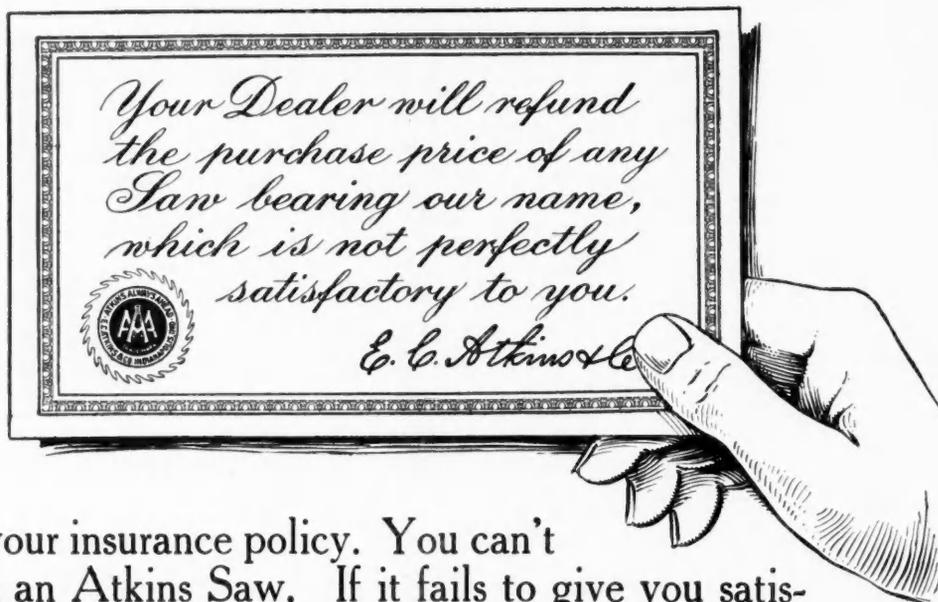
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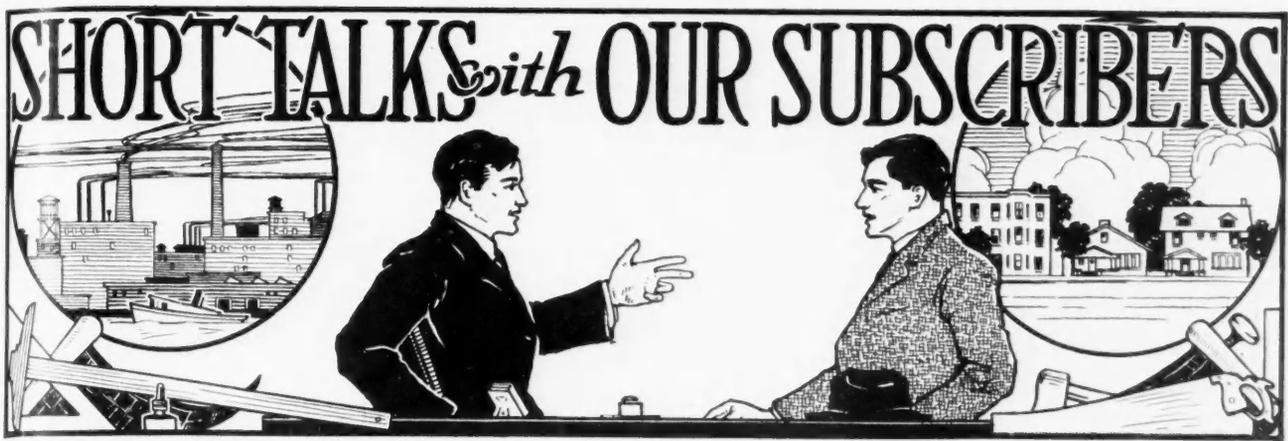
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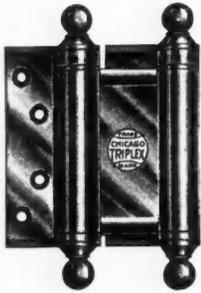
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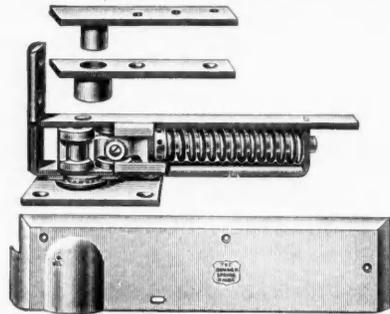


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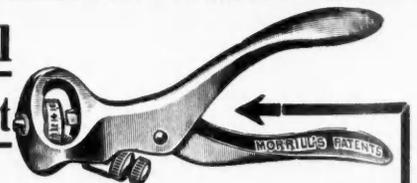
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and you'll be surprised to find out about some of them); also get just as well posted on all the fixtures, finish and special equipment required for completing a modern building as you are on the structural materials. (Remember that the owner looks to you as his expert adviser even where you don't prepare the plans and specifications yourself; and it makes a big hit with him to find that you are thoroly posted and qualified to advise him.)
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These words from our contractor friend we believe to be excellent advice for others. Let us make full use of these READING MONTHS by writing advertisers for their literature and thoroly investigating the new things and the things we will need to know all about this coming building season.
Editor AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER.

MORE WINTER WORK



Practical suggestions
for
keeping the 
coming in during
the Winter Months

PRIZE LETTER: *Builds House on Speculation, Arranging to Pay for Lot and Materials when House is Sold*

Keokuk, Iowa.
Winter Work Editor,

"A. C. & B.":

Last winter was a very dull winter and no work, but I had to find something to do, so I went to see a man who had a number of good lots in a good location of the city,



"I Made a Deal with a Man Who Owned Some Good Building Lots."

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and made a deal with him for a lot; that is, he was to furnish me a lot on which to erect a house, and receive his pay for the lot when I

got the house done, and either sold or got a loan on the property.

Then we went to a lumber dealer, plumber, furnace man, tinner and electrician, and made similar arrangements. When all was ready, I went to work, did the excavating, built my forms, had my foundation poured, and then started to build. Of course, I did not get it finished last winter, but have worked on it only at times when I had nothing else to do, and just today, I sold it at a price so that I can buy a lot and build another house the same way this winter. Then next year I can sell that house and have more for myself.

Now, I don't see why, if that will work here, it won't work in other places.

R. F. SULLIVAN,
Contractor and Builder.

PRIZE LETTER: *1000 Shop Products That Sell*

Tom Bean, Texas.
Winter Work Editor "A. C. & B.":

Last winter everything seemed dull, on account of too much rain, war, and a few other things. To make a long story short, I had to find a place indoors; and after looking about I found a building 20 by 40 feet, with a saw rig equipped with band saw, rip and cut-off. I rented the building, and borrowed the money to buy the rig, and went to work at once, and have been pretty busy most of the time. Of course, there have been lots of days that I have to find something to do; but I take time by the forelock, and build things that will sell in the proper season.

Here are a few of the things that I have built on this plan: Beehives, bee

frames, kitchen cabinets, medicine cabinets, desks, tables of every description, cedar chests, pine chests, ice chests, panel doors, glass panel doors, screen doors, window screens, hay frames, buck rake teeth, mower and binder tongues, etc.



Don't Be Afraid to Tackle a Small Job—It May Bring You a Big One Later On.

Every now and then someone comes along who wants his house or barn repaired, or a room added, and, of course, that is what I am looking for. If you are at all handy, the world is full of crippled chairs and other kinds of furniture which need repairing. Some fellows would not stoop to these little jobs, because it hurts a fellow's pride a good deal to leave a good job and go chasing after these little two-bit jobs; but this is the way that I have passed my time during the dull season.

I have in a bid on a six-room bungalow, and there is quite a lot of work on it; but it all depends on the man behind the gun as to getting it going.

If you are going to get along with any kind of work, you must have some knowledge of the work in hand, also make it a point to learn all you can about the trade,

because sooner or later you will be called on to show that you really know what you are about. On the other hand, don't be afraid to tackle a small job just because you never did the trick before, for there is nothing like being game to try. Also, do not try to make folks think you know it all, for sometime you will find yourself in a peck of fixes, as the little boy said.

After all, the main thing is, stick to business and keep your eyes open for something better; for it's a long lane that never turns.

Hoping this may help some of the boys who really have to work at something all the time, I am one who has been there.

M. L. TAYLOR,

Carpenter and Woodworker.

PRIZE LETTER: A Plan for Reaching Out Into Wider Territory

HOW ONE BUILDER PROPOSES TO INCREASE AND STEADY HIS BUSINESS BY DISTRIBUTING BUILDING BOOKS IN NEARBY SMALL TOWNS

Winter Work Editor, "A. C. & B.": ——— Iowa.

We are located in a small town of about 400 souls; it's a railway junction, and a busy trading and shipping center of a good farming community.

Our work is chiefly residences, barns, and other outbuildings. We also do considerable concrete work. During some of the summer months we hire as many as twenty men, while through the winter months we most always stop working the gang altogether, and your humble servant gets time to crack nuts for the housewife when she bakes a birthday cake for Willie or one for the Ladies' Aid Social.

We have a small woodworker and gas engine on truck, and it goes wherever we go. We have a continuous cement mixer and a water supply tank that goes with it. We also have a block and tackle; one with 225 feet of $\frac{7}{8}$ -inch rope, and another with $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch rope. With one of these we can raise most any kind of a barn. We also have jack screws and other tools that are indispensable in our business, and most important of all, an outfit of carpenter tools as you seldom see in the backwoods.

Several years ago, I thought I could keep busy thru the winter drawing plans, but I've had the corners knocked off since. First I could draw all plans for all the work we did during our three-year existence in less than a winter's time—and it is more than just a hand full. In 1914 we erected fourteen residences, and in all we worked up about eighteen carloads of lumber during that season alone. Few owners or speculators plan that far ahead. Many act on the impulse of a moment, and want you to have plans and figures ready over night, and in the busiest time of the season. So in winter time we must try to add another sprocket to our wheel so that we can speed up a little faster in the good old summer time.

Well, in the winter we can write to the AMERICAN

CARPENTER AND BUILDER and ask them what to do (we are not all so wise that we can give suggestions), and of course, the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER guesses that Sally Myers wants an easy chair and Deacon Elkins' plaster is coming loose and should be covered with wallboard. It is a good thing that they can guess, it gives us ideas, and we all know we are welcome to ask for information.

Pardon a Digression

It gets my goat, tho, when some member asks how to cut the hood rafters for a barn and a definite explanation is given, and then about the fifth or sixth issue after, some other struggling member comes and asks the same question—and worst of all, claims he has no trouble with hip and valley rafters. And the nerve of the fellow who is now working for himself or is the whole cheese, to make public confession that he used to shirk on the job because the boss had a rusty spot on one side of his brains. I believe it is the duty of each and every man that draws wages to do his honest day's work, whether the boss is an angel or not. Contractors and bosses make mistakes, have feelings, catch a cold and have reasons for being a little grouchy sometimes just like other people; but that does not excuse the man working for him to stand around on his hind feet when the boss isn't around.

I have worked for other men in my days, but it never entered my head to shirk my work when the boss did not seem to treat me right! if I had, I would consider myself the greatest loser. I would generally work till quitting time, and then get the boss out on the road and talk the matter over with him; but I am glad to say that I had very little trouble in that line. But let us get back on the track again.

What for Winter Work?

In the winter time when I am cracking nuts our boys do odd jobs; some put up fuel, others make furni-

ture for themselves, while some of the younger men hire out by the month. Of course, once in a while we get a screen job or some furniture to make, but we have plenty of time to listen to the *Howling of the Wolf*. In the springtime when we all get together again to see how many pounds each gained and how many dollars each spent, we all feel like birds out of the cage and glad to get busy.

From a contractor's point of view, I have always striven for the condition where I could turn out my own millwork through the winter—but what good will the millwork do when you have not enough work of such a nature to insure a reasonable profit?

I have finally decided to act upon a plan to bring about these conditions and altho it is yet a theory with me, I will give you an outline with the hope that some one may gain something.

Now for My Plan

We have a morning train thru our town that runs thru about eight similar towns before dinner time after it leaves here. In the evening it is due here at 5:49. This gives us good service to all of these little towns. Upon investigating, we find that very few of these towns have contractors, and not all have a real carpenter gang; and also that a great many of the people are in the habit of getting some relative carpenter from anywhere when the local carpenters cannot handle the work. Because these towns are on a branch railway, the freight rates are somewhat higher on building material than to the towns on the trunk lines; and consequently the local yard does not sell all the building material

Therefore by getting lumber and other building materials by the carload lots—

By drawing up definite plans and specifications—

By cutting all dimension lumber to length—such as sills, joists, studding, rafters, and sizing dressing and selecting O. S. Finish before shipping—

By getting out our own millwork—such as jambs, frames, baseboards, base blocks, angle blocks, window stooling, cap moulding, stair rail, balusters, cabinet work, screens, etc.—

By using a standard for all material, rough or finished—

By using a standard method of construction—

And train each man to specialize—

We should be able to obtain contracts in these towns, give work to some of the local men, and **KEEP OUR BOYS BUSY ALL WINTER.**

To get acquainted is the first important part—to get acquainted and advertise.

A Give-Away Book of House and Barn Ideas Wanted

To make an impression we want some small plan books. We saw some at a local lumber yard; but they were too large, and had too much printed matter for our purpose. We want a small book with about eight

bungalow plans and about as many two-story houses, gambrel roof barns, and a few outbuildings and some concrete silo construction. Then, with some local reference, as to what we have done at home, we should have no trouble in establishing confidence in our company.

Then give us a chance to shake hands with the people and we will get acquainted.

Yours for work the year around.

IOWA.

[Name and address withheld by request.—EDITOR.]

NOTE—This seems to be an excellent idea. Possibly the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER could get together just such a book as you have in mind—one that could be distributed among prospective home builders at a reasonable cost. At any rate, we are ready and willing to help in any way we can, and will gladly co-operate with any of our enterprising readers to work this idea out.

What do you other builders, who are situated as this Iowa friend is, think of this proposition?

EDITOR AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER.



PRIZE LETTER—Money Building Boats During Winter

San Rafael, Cal.

Winter Work Editor "A. C. & B.":

This is to be the experience of a friend, not my own, as he would not write it up himself, but told me all about it so that I could.



"My Friend Turned a Neighboring Barn Into a Boat-Building Shop."

During the summer months he is extremely busy, but not too busy to talk boats to every man he thinks would like to own one—and nearly every man does around this place. He says he has never yet found a man that wanted one *at once*. "After awhile," "next year," "when I make a sale," and such answers.

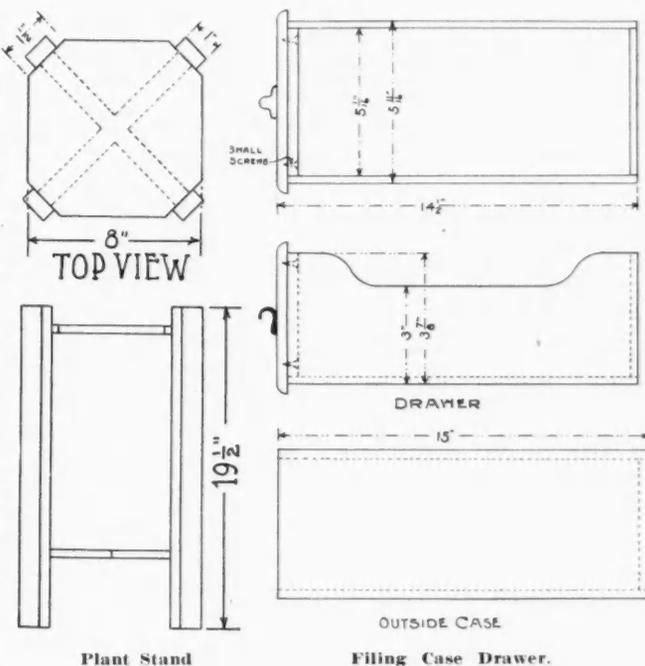
Now that is exactly the kind of customers he is watching for. He simply tells them how reasonably he built Thompson's, gives the size, fittings, etc. Just a few hints and ideas for him to think about. In about three or four weeks he makes it a point to see the man again, and casually mentions the subject once more. Mentions that he built Soandso's last winter during the slack period when he had nothing else to do and therefore gave him a special price. About a month later he again talks boat to the prospect. And this time, if he sees any show at all, he gets down to brass.

By playing up big on the winter work idea he makes a decided impression. He gets an idea about what size boat the man leans to, and then gives him an estimate on it. He knows well that most of them will sooner or later enquire of the regular boat builders what it would cost, and as he has their figures all slated, he knows a safe margin. For these boat builders are sure fliers when it comes to prices. Out of four or five possible customers Joe always manages to get one or two boats to build every winter. They are small launches—from 18 to 30 feet long—and he has the use of a big barn on some vacant property near his own home. So he works, rain or shine.

Now Joe does not make any fortune out of this boat building business. But he does make from two to three dollars a day out of it. And I want to know if that is not better than loafing around the house growling at the wife and kidlets. He tells me that last winter he made three dollars a day for every day that he worked in the old barn. Of course there was some good weather and he did whatever jobs he had during that time. But about three months of these California winters you can't do carpenter work unless you have a roof over you.

But after all, the point I want to bring out was this—it doesn't have to be *boats*. It may be mission furniture,

or wall board, or weather stripping, or arts and crafts lamps, or any one of forty other things. The idea is TO SEE IT. Don't wait for the rains to begin and *then* look for a wet weather job. You must be on the watchout for it during the summer. The earlier you can pick it out the better. Once picked on, then you can keep it in view at all times and prepare for it in many ways. Keep tab of the people who are likely to want it—make a list of them. Figure out just exactly what you are



Plant Stand

Filing Case Drawer.

going to do and how. Then work on it all your spare time. In that way you will be prepared for it when it comes and can take right hold of it.

H. J. BLACKLIDGE.



Plant Stand, Filing Case and Footstool

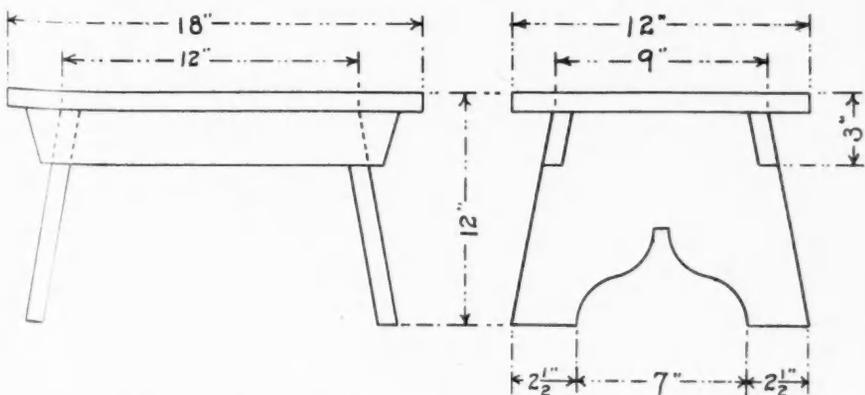
Winter Work Editor "A. C. & B.": Rome, Ga.

Am sending you sketches of articles I have made, nearly all from scraps. Any carpenter with a woodworker can knock out this class of work at a nice profit. I have tried it, and find it pays.

First, is a small stand for plants, or other uses. Legs are 3/4 by 1 by 19 1/2 inches, cross braces are 1/2 by 3/4 inch.

These are halved together, which can be done with a dado head, or otherwise, and are placed 4 inches up from the bottom of legs. Top is 8 inches square, cut as shown, and placed 1 inch down from the top of legs.

Another illustration is of a filing case, which was made from boxes that had been used for shipping purposes. Of course the wood was in the rough, but after being planed and sanded, left a very pretty grain. It was poplar and holds cards 3 by 5 inches. It is a good article for the contractor's office and for the housewife to file her cooking recipes in. The drawer was made first, then



Working Drawings of Nicely Proportioned Wooden Foot Stool.

the outside case. Use a sash lift for drawer pull.

Here also is a sketch of a foot-stool. I put three $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch holes in the top about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch apart to enable a person to carry them easily and stained them a dark mahogany and mission.

C. H. FULLER.



Specializes on Concrete Work

Winter Work Editor "A. C. & B.": Petersburg, W. Va.

Enclosed find \$2.00 for my renewal and coupon for your 256-page work, "Guaranteed Building Plans." I notice a great deal about how to keep busy for a few winter months. If I could only find a way to get all I have to do done in these few months before spring work opens up! At this time I have already half of a summer season work contracted for.

My strong point is concrete, but I do a great deal of carpentry. I have this past summer put down over a mile of pavement and I suppose fully a dozen foundations for houses, 6 or 8 cellar floors, some of them large ones, retaining walls by the dozen; besides two reinforced concrete bridges for the country.

I own a Big-an-Little mixer and a lot of Hetzel steel forms for pavements; and am proud of the equipment. Can't beat it, I don't think. Have also built two houses—one brick, \$3,000.00, and a \$2,400.00 frame house. I also do quite a nice little business handling Beaver Board and of course hope to put up most of it. Altogether, I am a busy man.

With best wishes to the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, I am,

A. N. CLOWER,
General Contractor.



Ready for Winter Planing Mill Work

Ayers Cliff, P. Q., Canada.

Winter Work Editor "A. C. & B.":

Am writing you to tell you what I am going to do this coming winter to keep busy, and keep earning a few dollars. I have put up a small shop at odd times this summer, but have not had time to put any doors or windows in it yet. I have installed a 12-H. P. gasoline engine, surface planer, combination woodworking machine, and a mortiser, and shall work spare time this winter in making up windows of standard sizes with frames, and making mouldings, and have them ready for the following summer, as there is a great amount of building done here every year; and all such work has to be gotten from outside towns.

I shall also do any mission or other furniture work that I can get to do. I have to stop occasionally for a day or two, and make windows and frames for some who are in a hurry.

Trusting this may be of use to some brother in the trade, I remain,

C. H. ROBINSON.



Money and Health in Sleeping Porches

Saranac Lake, N. Y.

Winter Work Editor "A. C. & B.":

Having been a reader of it for the past ten years, can say that there has always been something good in the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER; however, there are things which I consider not so good. To my mind the architect is to blame for a good many of our ills.

The house should never be designed for a place to den up, but for health, comfort and convenience—health coming first. How

many designs do you see with a sleeping-out porch for every bed room? For instance, take design No. 6713, page 45, September issue. You have a little sleeping-out porch in the back which is not convenient. It has no doors large enough to allow for a bed to be wheeled in and out; by that I mean a 3-foot bed. There should be French window doors, 4 feet in width. The sleeping-out porch is in the wrong place for the bed rooms, to begin with. It seems to me it would have been a great deal wiser had those two dormers been made into one, with flat roof, and extended to the porch plate with sliding porch sash in front and back, and on both ends to where they would strike the main roof, with a walled-in porch rail of 32 inches in height and windows sliding on same. Then walled straight across from corner to corner, direct over first floor plan of front wall with two sets of double doors so that single beds could have been wheeled in and out for sleeping-out purposes, which everybody should do that possibly can, both summer and winter.

I am no crank, but wish to give some good advice to the architects, and the carpenters and builders. I have been boss carpenter at the Adirondack Cottage Sanitarium for the past seven years. This is the first and best tuberculosis sanitarium in America; and I know by experience the beneficial results of sleeping-out porches. One rule of the sanitarium, that the people must observe, is sleeping out of doors, even when it is thirty below zero; and everybody, before they leave, will say: "Well, I have learned how to live, and take care of myself, and hereafter it will be sleep out of doors for mine."

Now, do not go to work and den yourself up for winter. On page 76, of the September issue of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER there is a subject on weather strips. That is all nonsense. Some of the best tuberculosis physicians in the world will tell you that fresh air and sunlight beat weather strips. It is unsanitary rooms and foul air that breed so much sickness, more than dust.

Now if the architects would encourage sleeping-out porches to the owner when he is designing his house, there would be more money in the architect's and carpenter's and builder's pockets, than by putting on weather strips; and more health and comfort to the owner. It would help lessen the dreadful white plague, from which thousands die every year, and thousands seeking health in the mountains at sanitariums. Therefore, I say the architect is to blame for a good many of our ills in designing the home. Encourage sleeping out of doors, and it will benefit all of us.

This is a good business for the carpenter and builder to turn his mind to during the dull seasons. There are thousands of cottages without sleeping-out porches. Why do you not go to the owner and propose the benefits of sleeping out of doors, or advertise in your local papers? Build a sleeping-out porch on every house. Arrange the bed room with double window doors, 4 feet in width, so a bed can be wheeled in and out. By so doing, the bed can be wheeled in by day, and then wheeled out at night when going to bed. The doors can be put in where a window is many times, and by using French windows, they get the same amount of light as before, and even more. Inclose the porch with sliding porch sash, finishing front up solid to the rail, the same as the outside finish. There is not a cottage in this health resort without sleeping-out porches, and most of them for every bed room. All these cottages are up-to-date, both in architecture, health and convenience.

I will close for this time, by saying, "Encourage sleeping outdoor porches, and make the dollars roll in during the dull season of the year." Will gladly give any information in

the following issues of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, which is my home comfort.

J. A. WASHER.

**More Winter Work Letters
Next Month!**



Artistic Shingled Bungalow

There are many ways of obtaining an unusual and distinctive effect in the construction of a home. The method of handling the chimney and the porch foundation of the design shown here is an example of this. They are constructed of vitrified blocks such as are used in street paving. An unusual effect is obtained with these blocks in an artistic way. In the construction a block here and there is turned so that the end projects out from the face of the wall. It presents an attractive way of breaking up an otherwise plain surface.

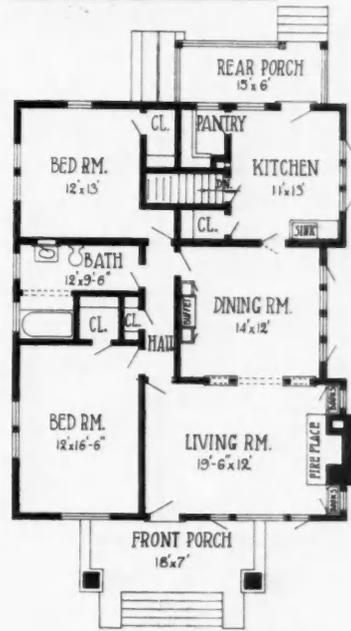
The walls of the bungalow are given a striped effect by the method of laying the shingles. They are laid in alternate wide and narrow courses. This gives a rather rustic appearance that harmonizes well with the brickwork of chimney and porch.

The living room is quite large compared

with the size of the house, which is consistent with the bungalow idea. One end of the room is taken up with a fireplace flanked with bookcases on each side. Facing the front from this room is a wide window, with a narrower casement window on each side. There are also small windows above each of the bookcases. A fairly large unobstructed floor space is attained by the dining room and the living room. These two are connected by a colonnade and cased opening.

Back of the dining room is a well arranged kitchen of the compact, convenient type and a large back porch that can be used for a kitchen annex in warm weather.

The side of the house opposite the living room, dining room, and kitchen is taken up by two bedrooms and a bath. The bedrooms are placed at the front and back corner of the house with the bath between.



Unusual bungalow of five rooms. Size, 33 by 41 feet. We can furnish complete set of blueprinted working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$6.00 per set. Blueprints consist of basement plan; roof plan; main floor plan; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections; and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. When ordering, ask for Design No. 6741.



A Comfortable Cottage Living Room, Cheerily Lighted by the Two Corner Groups of Double Outward-Opening Casements. Built-in Window Seats Flank the Brick Fire Place, Making a Cozy Corner at Each Side.

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Well Arranged Six-Room Cottage

One of the distinctive features of the house shown here is the vestibule built out onto the front porch. The arrangement of a double-door entrance into the house helps considerably in the heating problem. The cold air does not blow in each time that the door is opened. It gives the same protection that a storm door would, but is finished in such a way that it does not have the rough and unattractive appearance of the average storm door.

The living room is of good size and with the library or den extends across the front of the house. The fireplace in the living room is not placed on an outside wall in the usual way, but is against one of the interior walls. Next to the fireplace is a seat which, set back the way it is, makes a little cozy corner to add to the comfort of this room. The room is kept cheerful and well lighted by the two windows on the side and another window opening to the front porch.

It is often desirable to have a room that can be shut off from the rest of the house when occasion demands. The small room off the living room is designed with this object in view. It is separated from the living room by double sliding doors, which can be opened to make one large room across the



front of the house when needed. The sliding doors will cut this room off from the rest and will make a quiet part of the house. This room can be made very attractive with some well chosen furniture that will harmonize with the general arrangement of the room.

The dining room is almost as large as the living room and presents some very attractive features. A large curved bay extends along one side of the room, and gives a bright appearance to the room. In a recess in the back wall is a built in china case that adds to the convenience and beauty of this room.

Both an inside and an outside entrance are provided for the basement. This is an arrangement that will be appreciated by the lady of the house as it prevents the kitchen from becoming dirty because of the tramping back and forth thru the house in going from the basement to the back yard. The house is built high enough on its foundations so that plenty of head room is furnished for a heating plant.

The kitchen is well arranged and the sink is placed next to the two windows on the side so that it is well lighted. Housewives say that a well lighted sink is one of the most important things in a kitchen.

Storage space is provided for in the attic, which is reached by the stairs opening into the back hall. A room could be finished off here if desired.



Six-room homelike cottage. Size, 30 feet 6 inches by 46 feet 6 inches. We can furnish complete set of blueprinted working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$6.00 per set. Blueprints consist of basement plan; roof plan; main floor plan; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections; and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. When ordering, ask for Design No. 6745.

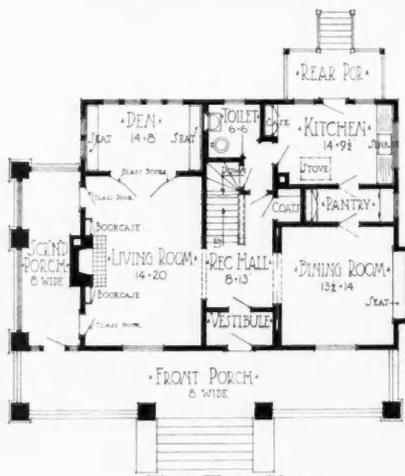
Handsome Home of Stone and Stucco

The massive comfortable appearance of the house shown here is due more to the stone construction of the porch pillars and the foundation than to anything else. Stone has a comfortable, substantial look that is found in no other material.

The porches in this design are particularly attractive. Across the front of the house is the front porch with its broad roof and the heavy stone pillars. Along one side is a screened porch that can be enclosed in windows so as to make a sun parlor. A door connects the two porches.

The house proper is finished in stucco which harmonizes well with the stone and the white trim around the windows. The projecting sills of the windows on the side with their small railings are pleasant decorative features. They are well suited to hold window boxes in the spring.

The right side of this home consists of a living room, a den and the screened porch. The living room is of large size with plenty of wall space so that furniture can be artistically placed around the room. In the wall between this room and the porch is a fireplace



First Floor Plan.



Second Floor Plan.

Arrangement of House.

Size, 38 by 29 Ft. 6 In.

which can be either made of stone similar to the chimney or of brick. The owner will have to decide which he likes better. In the end of the room is a double glazed door to the den. This room is almost a sun parlor itself with four windows in the back of the room and two on the side. An eight foot seat is also placed along each side of the room.

In the central part of the house from front to back is a vestibule, a reception hall, the stairs to the second floor,

and a toilet room with two fixtures.

The left side of the house is taken up by the dining room and the kitchen with its accompanying accessories. The kitchen is well arranged with a well lighted sink, a cabinet and a pantry.

There are four bedrooms on the second floor, one in each corner of the house. The bathroom is on the side between two of the bedrooms and there is a cheerful little sewing room facing the front through five casement windows.



Nine-room stucco house with stone trim. Size, 38 by 29 feet 6 inches. We can furnish complete set of blueprinted working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$12.00 per set. Blueprints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections; and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. When ordering, ask for Design No. 6715.



Shingle sided bungalow of artistic design. Size 41 by 38 feet. We can furnish complete set of blueprinted working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$7.00 per set. Blueprints consist of basement plan; roof plan; main floor plan; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections; and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. When ordering, ask for Design No. 6742.

Six-Room Bungalow with Stone Foundation

The bungalow as originally designed was intended for warm climates; but the usefulness of this type of house led to its adoption in all parts of the country under all sorts of climatic conditions. To accommodate the bungalow to these various conditions it has been necessary to make various minor changes. The original bungalow was built very close to the ground so that it was not practical to build a basement. When the bungalow was transported to the colder climates a basement had to be provided so that a heating plant could be installed. The northern bungalow is likely also to be built more substantially than the original.

In the house shown here, Design No. 6742, the foundation is made high enough so that there is plenty of room in the basement to install a heating plant. The foundation is made so that it is a picturesque feature of the bungalow. Many people treat foundations as necessary evils and never think of the possibilities of making the foundation so that it is part of the exterior decorative scheme. The foundation is made with rough stone, which harmonizes well with the shingle sides and the other exterior details of this bungalow.

The appearance of the porch is par-

ticularly attractive and inviting. It is built under a separate gable from the house proper. The front door differs from the ordinary type. Its small panels of glass at the upper part and the heavy brass accessories make the door a pleasing feature of the front porch.

The floor plan shows six rooms in this artistic little home. Along one side of

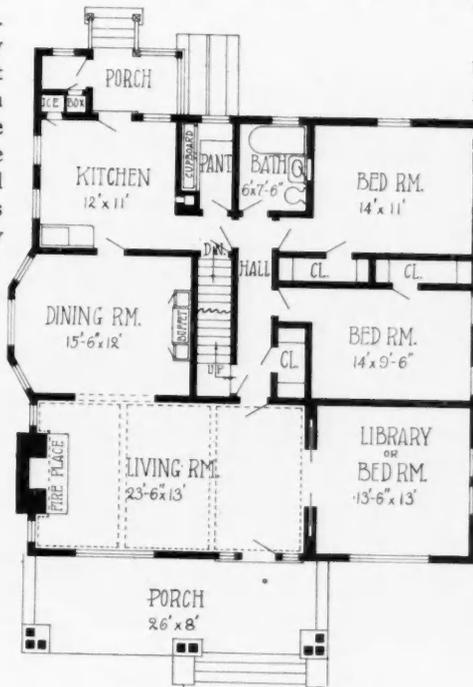
the house are the living room, dining room, and kitchen, and along the other are two bedrooms and a library. The library can be utilized as a bedroom in case of necessity. This room is cut off from the living room by double doors so that it can be used as a study or home office if the man of the house is obliged to bring work home that must be finished.

The living room is large and home-like, with the large fireplace in one end and the beamed ceiling. It is one of the long rooms that look particularly attractive with the fireplace in the end. The entrance from the front porch is directly into this room.

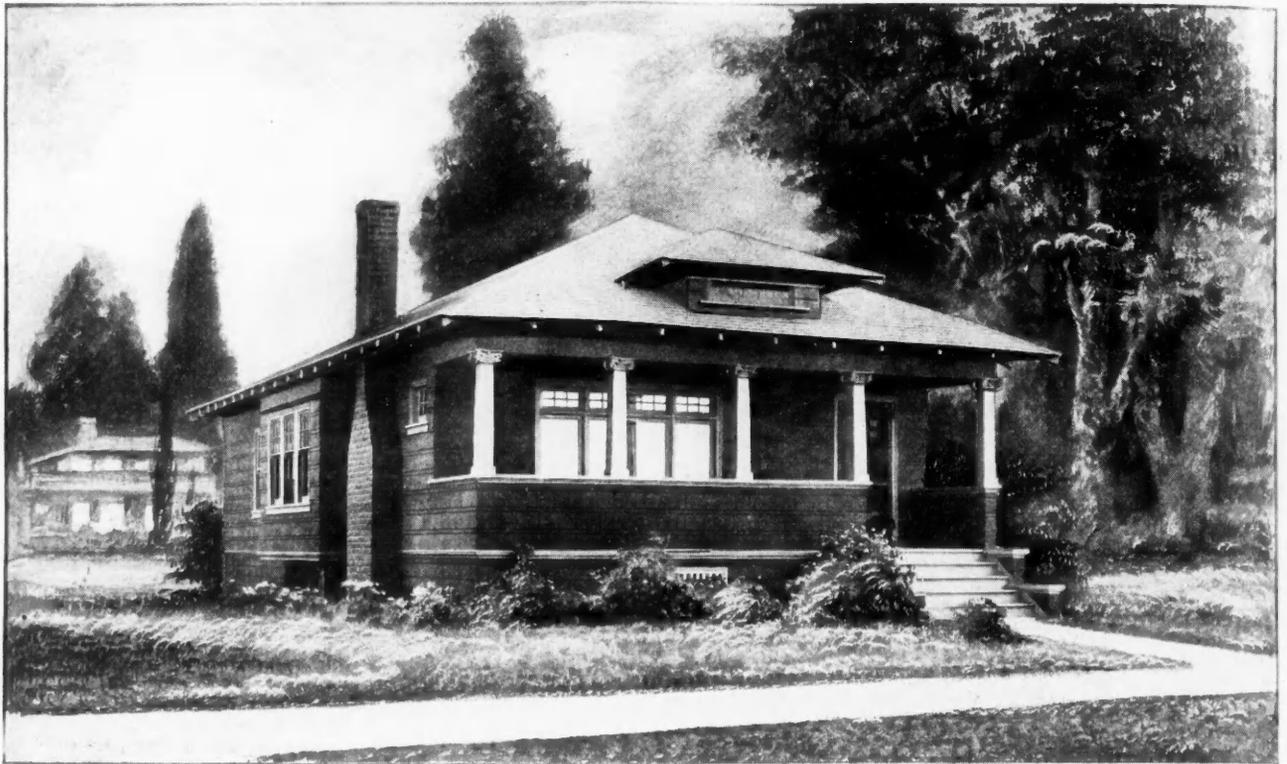
Back of the living room, and connected to it by a cased opening, is the dining room. On one side of the dining room is a three-sided bay window, and across the room from this is a buffet.

The kitchen is compact and convenient. In the back corner is an outside iced refrigerator which always aids in keeping the kitchen clean and in the best possible condition. It is well lighted by two windows along the side and also a window in the back, opening out to the back porch.

Overhead is a large, well-lighted attic for storage space and play rooms or home work shop. Stairs go up from the inside hall, making this convenient.



Floor Plan of Bungalow.
Size, 41 by 38 Ft.



Comfortable five-room bungalow cottage with shingled sides. Size, 24 by 41 feet. We can furnish complete set of blueprinted working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$5.00 per set. Blueprints consist of basement plan; roof plan; main floor plan; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections; and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. When ordering, ask for Design No. 6746.

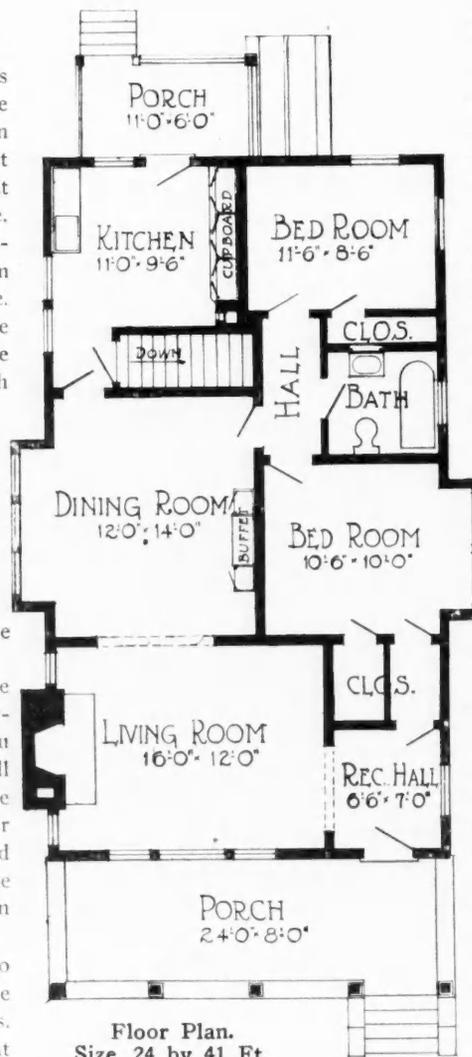
Hip-Roofed Cottage of Five Rooms

A simple, comfortable bungalow is shown here as Design No. 6746. One of the features of this is the kitchen arrangement. The kitchen is compact and so arranged that all the work that is carried on is made as easy as possible. Any woman that has worked in a kitchen will tell you that nine-tenths of them are put in the house to fill up space. The kitchen is seldom considered in the original plan and the result is that the house owners have to be content with any old arrangement.

Kitchens and closets are coming in now for their full share of attention in house planning. They are most important parts of the house and deserve just as much consideration as the living room or dining room. An arrangement such as is shown here saves steps all the time and makes the kitchen work pleasant.

The main feature of this room is the built-in cupboard along one wall. Everything is spread out in front of you so that it is not necessary to walk all the way across the kitchen for one thing and then all the way back for another. The back porch is large and conveniently located, so that it will be a valuable addition to the kitchen in the summer.

The stairs to the basement open into this room and the basement is made large enough for storage purposes. Plenty of headroom is provided so that



Floor Plan.
Size, 24 by 41 Ft.

a heating plant can be installed. The basement also has an outside entrance that is appreciated by many people. It saves the kitchen from much wear and dirt to have an entrance to the basement that can be reached from the outside.

The exterior of this house is finished in shingles, though they are not applied in the usual way. They are laid in alternate wide and narrow courses which gives an unusual appearance to the exterior. The projecting hip-roof dormer for the attic is a pleasant feature of the roof design. The trim around the windows and the posts on the front porch are white, while the walls of the building are stained dark.

The living room occupies the front part of the house with the exception of the one corner where the reception hall is located. The entrance to the living room from the reception hall is thru a cased opening. The living room is connected to the dining room in the same way.

Back of the reception hall along one side of the house are two bedrooms with a bathroom in between. Both the bedrooms are well lighted and are of comfortable size. Between the two bedrooms there is also a hall that connects with the rest of the house thru the dining room.

The living room is lighted by three windows facing out onto the front porch and there are two windows placed on each side the fireplace.

The Lowell School at Harvey, Ill.

THE accompanying illustration and floor plans show a large school that is fitted out with all the conveniences that are demanded at this age for school houses. A few years ago, for instance, a gymnasium was not considered necessary. It was a good thing, but was often the first place sacrificed if the plans were to be cut down in any way. Now nearly all schools have provision made for a gymnasium of some kind. The one shown here is no exception to the rule.

The problem is taken care of here by combining this most necessary part with the assembly hall. This is located in the basement, and as a much higher ceiling is needed than can be found in one floor, the room is carried up thru the first floor. At the first floor level there are galleries so that spectators can be accommodated in case athletic events or entertainments are being held in combination assembly hall and gymnasium. Above this room on the third floor there are two class rooms.

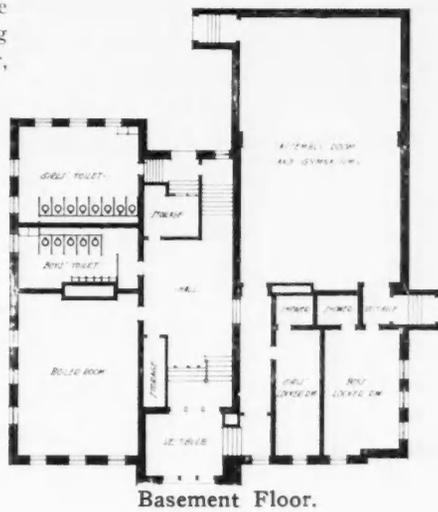
The building is built well off the ground so that a large and well-lighted basement can be secured. Near the gymnasium there are rooms provided for lockers. There are two of these rooms—one for boys and

the other for the girls. In front of these are shower rooms.

On the first floor there are three class rooms with the necessary hall connections and the stairs to both the basement and the second floor.

On the second floor there are five class rooms with the hall and also the office. Each floor is supplied with three cloak rooms.

This school house was one of the designs of Mr. G. W. Ashby, architect, who has done much school house work thru the Central West.



Photograph of New Lowell School at Harvey, Ill., G. W. Ashby of Chicago, Architect.

“Even if a Man Can't Have Four Hands Like the Woggle-Bug, He Can Double the Value of His Two Hands by the Use of Proper Tools”

THE MAN FROM THE LUMBER YARD

We were satisfied with the horse-car until we had the cable-car, and now we must have the electric. Many now ride in automobiles, whose fathers thought the carriage a luxury, and their grandfathers were satisfied with the ox-cart.

There has been as much progress in tool making in recent years as in transportation. No man can afford to do himself the injustice of not using the best tool that is TODAY produced for his work.

You can always secure information relative to the latest of any kind of tool or machine, by writing the “A. C. & B.” —EDITOR.

MY wife took me shopping the other day. As the bundles increased and she took plenty of time to match some ribbon, it got mighty tedious until I found amusement in watching the clerks.

Some of them were peaches and worth looking at. When the ribbon was matched, we went down to the basement. My attention was attracted by a young man who stood by a pile of coverlets on which there was a sign, “\$2.00.” The way he stood made the sign appear to be on him.

The Man with a Price

While my wife tried on shoes, I went over and asked him if the sign belonged to him, or to the coverlets. He saw the joke, but acknowledged that that was his price. He said: “I have only two hands and cannot see how I can do more than I am doing to earn more money.”

As I waited for my wife to decide on the smallest shoe she could possibly wear, I meditated on the hopelessness of this clerk's position, from his viewpoint.

My mind at once went to the thousands of men, young and old, who read the “A. C. & B.” and especially those who work with their hands. How can they be helped to produce more for themselves?

Are You 100%?

I have said a man must work with head and heart as well as hand. But he must have the right tools to be 100 per cent. When I was a kid, I learned that a good chopping-axe was not good for splitting; nor was it extravagant to have two axes for use, although I could have gotten along with one.

Friend wife finally released me with a warning as to what would happen if I lost any of the bundles.

The Clerk Who Knows

I know a clerk in a near-by hardware store who is posted up to the minute on the best tools, and never gets stale because his think-tank is always in action. I went to him and put up the question, if a workman



H. M. Woggle-Bug. Created by Mr. L. Frank Baum of “Land of Oz” Fame and Put to Work as a Carpenter by THE MAN FROM THE LUMBER YARD. He's Indeed a Fore-handed Guy.

could increase his capacity by any tools he had. "Sure thing," he said, "I have put many a young fellow on the way to better earnings by getting him to fix up a good kit. I notice that other things being equal, the man who has a good outfit is the last man to be laid off when work is slack." Being from Missouri, I said: "Show me."

For That Dull Feeling

Taking me by the arm, he stepped toward a wall-case, but stopped at a counter over which was a sign, "FOR THAT DULL FEELING." He said: "No matter how good a tool may be, or how skilled the hand that directs it, you get a bum job if the tool is not in good condition. Dull tools make dull, tired people."

He showed me a Tool Grinder which had a wheel that cuts in place of grinding, and does not draw the temper. Besides being able to sharpen any kind of tool on the face, you can sharpen drill-bits at exactly the right angle on the side of the wheel.

From a tray on the same counter he picked up a hand-saw file that he said "costs twice as much as the

ordinary file, but would do *twice* as much work in *half* the time." It had a stroke more than twice as long, and a tooth "set" to cut clean.

Seeing Saws

He then went to the wall-case, saying: "I am 'nuts' on these goods because we have everything right up to the minute. See this compass saw tapered off like a hand saw, so it will clear itself and not pinch *even* if the wood is green or wet. It is a corker for cutting a round hole when an electrician or plumber wants to cut out flooring and then replace it. Talking of a round hole; here is a saw that will cut a square hole without the help of any other tool and it has a handle that adjusts so you don't break your wrist



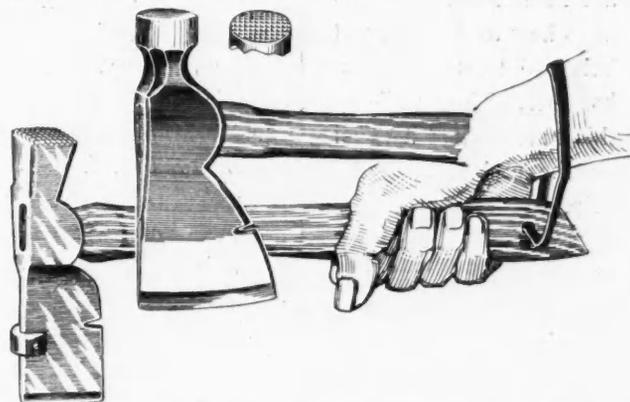
"Sure Thing," Said My Hardware Friend, "I Have Put Many a Young Fellow on the Way to Better Earnings by Getting Him to Fix Up a Good Kit."

when making the incision in the floor. The thin back compass saw doesn't pinch because it has no friction. Here is a hand saw that will do as much work as any other, altho about half as wide,—less width, less friction, and less of that tired feeling. I occasionally sell an ordinary back saw, but this one that has a cross-cut on one side and a rip on the other, and adjusts so you saw just so deep and no deeper; skins them all. I try to get every man to carry one of these metal-cutting blades. It will saw thru wood, leaving a clean, smooth surface, or nails, bolts, gas pipe, etc. I had one customer that cut an iron column out of a store front with one."

He then handed me a saw that I at first pronounced



This Hammer Can be Used by a One-Armed Man. It Adds 2 Feet to Any Carpenter's Reach.

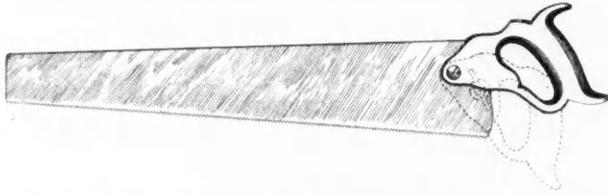


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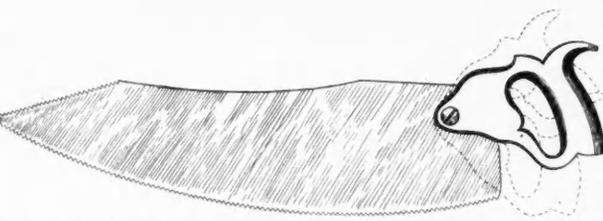
a freak because of the manner in which the handle set on the blade. But he demonstrated that more work could be done with less strain on the arm than with any other arrangement of handle. It is a saw that gives a full 26-inch stroke, yet will go into a 26-inch tool box.

On the Level

Moving over to a display of carpenter and mason levels, he showed me a sort that always told the truth instantly, no matter which side or end came up.



This Flooring Saw and a Man Can Produce a Square Hole.



This Hack Saw Will Go Thru Nails, Steel Beams—Anything. Handle is Adjustable.

Concerning Hammers and Hatchets

He had a number of new wrinkles to show me in hammers and hatchets. I never appreciated before the fact that a large part of the arm's strain for a workman was because of his having to grip the ordinary handle so firmly in order to center the blow.

The type of handle my friend recommended was one that would always center even when held loosely in the hand.

Among a number of new features I remember a roofer's hatchet with a special scored-head, having an arrangement that set the shingle just so much to the weather as desired; also a half hatchet made so as to hew to the line, and balanced to drive like a hammer. The handle of this hatchet had a swell on the end to ease the grip.

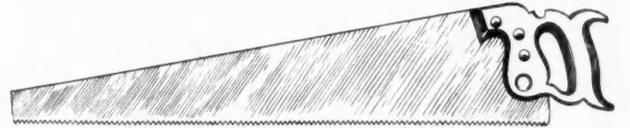
He showed me both hammers and hatchets with safety heads, and explained that these made not only for safety to the user, but for greater speed in use.

A One-Armed Man's Hammer

He was especially enthusiastic about a hammer that a one-armed man could use. It enabled anyone to place a nail 2 feet farther away than could be done with an ordinary hammer.

After I had seen a number of other time and labor-saving tools, I was fully convinced that if a workman added the proper tools to his kit, he would add \$\$\$\$ to his producing ability and years to his life.

In answer to my question as to how much extra an ideal kit would cost over the ordinary, he said:



No Tired Feeling when Using this Narrow Saw.

"About what a young fellow would spend foolishly in a month."

As I left my enthusiastic friend, I remembered a picture I saw some time ago of H. M. Wogglebug, T. E. The H. M. stood for highly magnified. This Wogglebug was as large as a man, but still had four arms, as

wogglebugs always do. T. E. stood for thoroly educated. At any event, this Mr. Wogglebug was four-handed, as you see from the picture which our artist has reproduced.

When I bring to mind all these convenient toil-reducing tools I regret that my readers could not have four hands like H. M. Woggle-Bug, T. E.

Even if a man can't have four hands like the Woggle-Bug, he can double the value of his two hands by the use of proper tools.

I am going to say something about educating the hand and head in my next letter. Some will find it worth reading. Yours for 100 per cent,

THE MAN FROM THE LUMBER YARD.

Saw Dust

The workman who is most dependent on efficient tools, is most independent.

For the best work, get the tool that is an "isser," not a "has been."

The owner of the right tool works less and earns more.

In figuring the worth of a superior tool, don't forget the time it saves.

The tool that enables you to earn more is worth its cost.

Tools that save the minutes and muscles of the user, mint the most money.

Like breeds like. Good tools make good workmen.

The Pennsylvania R. R. recently replaced a hundred locomotives with others that did more work. Neither can YOU afford to use an out-of-date tool or machine.

Every hour you use a poor tool you add to its cost.

It is dangerous to hang your reputation for good work on the services of a poor tool.

Good temper in his tool keeps good temper in the user.

Beware of tools whose only merit is a reputation.

An inefficient tool may cost less, but you pay more every time you use it.

The workman is known by his tools. What reputation do yours give you?

Don't look for sweetness in the garbage can, nor quality in the junk shop.



Framing a Gambrel Roof House

NOTCHING OUT RAFTERS MAKES WORK EASIER AND BETTER—HOW TO FIGURE A GAMBREL CORNICE

By I. P. Hicks

THERE is something about the framing of a gambrel roof house that is just a little more than the ordinary framing. It is no really difficult matter, yet it may be of more or less interest to the carpenters and builders of the country. As a rule this kind of a house does not have a very wide cornice, as it is not very practical to make the cornice much more than 12 inches wide. When a gutter is put on it is usually of the box form.

There is no fixed rule for the slopes of the roofs; this is established by the designer, according to his judgment in planning the house and according to its size and the best lay out of the rooms on the second floor. It is customary to set the studding which form the walls of the rooms, about 2 feet back from the main outside wall plate of the first story.

There is nothing particularly complicated about the framing; but it is well to notice a few points of special interest. The lower end of the first set of rafters should be notched at the bottom as shown at A to sit on the plate, shown on top of the ceiling joists. If these rafters are cut to rest wholly on the plate, then it would be necessary to use furring blocks on the side of the house in order to have something to nail the roof sheathing to that runs down and forms the back of the gutter. I prefer notching the rafters and letting them run down far enough to make a nailing for the roof sheathing.

At B, the top of the first set of rafters, another notch is cut. This is mostly to facilitate raising the roof, because the perpendicular studding are not often put in before the roof is raised, and the notch in the rafters makes it easier to keep the rafters in place while they are being securely nailed or spiked.

The bottom of the second set of rafters is also notched to fit the plate, shown at C. This facilitates the raising of the second section of the roof as the rafters can not slip over the plate while being raised, making the nailing much easier.

Now an important part, one that is especially interesting to the carpenter, is the cost of construction in this kind of work. After the lumber bill is made out

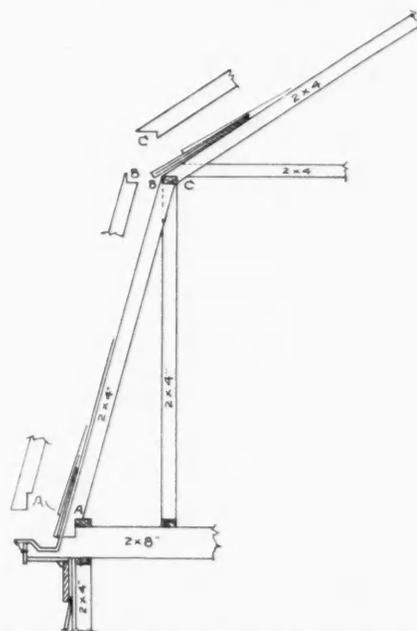
so that you know the feet board measure contained in the timber required, you can figure \$10 per M feet of lumber for the construction work of framing. The sheathing can be figured at from \$8 to \$10 per M. The shingling at \$1.75 to \$2.00 per M.

The cornice can be figured by the lineal foot per member as follows: The frieze, wide members, 4c;

plancher, say 4 boards of ceiling, 1¼c each, 5c; fascia, 2c; bed mould, 1c; crown mould, 2c; cap over crown mould, 1c; front side of gutter, 1c; bottom, 2c; making a total of 18 cents per lineal foot for the labor. This will be found a fair average price for a cornice of this kind. The manner in which we have analyzed this cornice also shows how you should go to work to arrive

at the cost of constructing any other kind of a cornice. Take each member and you can judge what you can put it up for, then add the cost of all the different members and you will establish a price per lineal foot for the complete cornice. Figure the lineal feet of cornice and you can arrive at a figure that will be safe and also quick and easy.

For the cost of the gutter, which is usually made of tin, figure 17c per lineal foot if made of tin 20 inches wide, and 23c per lineal foot if made from tin 28 inches wide. The above figures on tin gutters should be sufficient for the best quality of tin gutters.



Framing for Gambrel Roof as Recommended by Hicks.



A Bank Building

THIRD OF A SERIES OF DESIGNS OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS OF VARIOUS KINDS, WITH PERSPECTIVE VIEW, CONSTRUCTION DETAILS, AND FLOOR PLANS

THE most decorative building in a town is generally the bank building. It depends perhaps more than any other business on handsome surroundings to attract people and give them confidence. In almost all other branches of modern business it is possible to compete with a man who has a much better building than your own. You can do this in various ways. Handling a better line of goods or displaying it more advantageously will often cause people to come into your place of business just to look around. Then by proper salesmanship you can get them to come again, and sooner or later you land them. You can also secure the good will and trade of people by offering service of a better grade than your competitor. If you are in a mercantile business you can specialize in quick deliveries, discounts for cash, credit arrangements, etc.

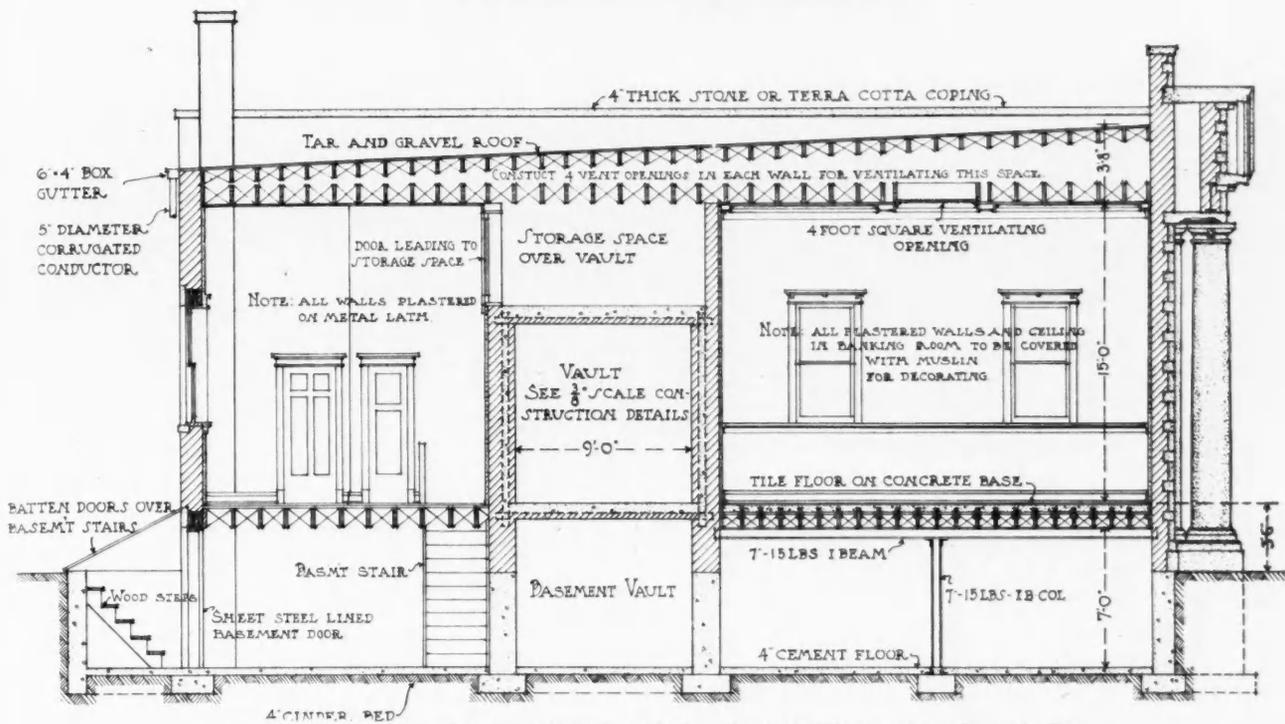
None of these opportunities are possible for a bank on the scale that they are for any other type of business. A bank can offer a few special inducements to depositors, but they are not dealing with a commodity that admits of the special arrangements such as other

businesses. They have to depend on appearance more than any one else. An old bank in a town may keep its business because everybody knows the cashier or the president and has confidence in them. The new bank, to compete with them, has to offer mighty attractive appearances so that people will like to go into their building. They cannot offer any particular advantages as a general rule that the other bank cannot offer also.

It isn't very often that you see a bank that has been established in some made-over building. The construction has to be of such a nature that very few buildings can be arranged as banks. Very heavy foundations, walls, and floors are required so that safes and vaults will be protected to a large degree. There are, of course, exceptions to every rule, and some buildings have been built over so as to make very good bank buildings. Nearly always, however, the bank builds its own building as it is necessary for appearance sake as well as for the sake of strength and safety.



Perspective Sketch of Very Attractive Small Bank Building, Constructed of Brick and Terra Cotta. Dimensions, 25 by 54 Feet. When Writing About This Design Please Refer to Design No. 6748. Price of Blueprints and Specifications on Application.



Longitudinal Section Thru Bank Building (Design No. 6748) Illustrated on Opposite Page.

As shown in the accompanying details, the walls are made very heavy, as are the foundations and the floors. Also the vault that should be built cannot be located very well in old buildings, but must be included in the plans as it is in this instance. The walls of this must of course be made very heavy, so that it will be fireproof as well as burglar proof. The heavy construction features of the building make it necessary to have heavy foundations so that they may be well supported. The floor is made strong because of the many people that may be on it at one time, and so it can support small portable safes such as are used in all banks.

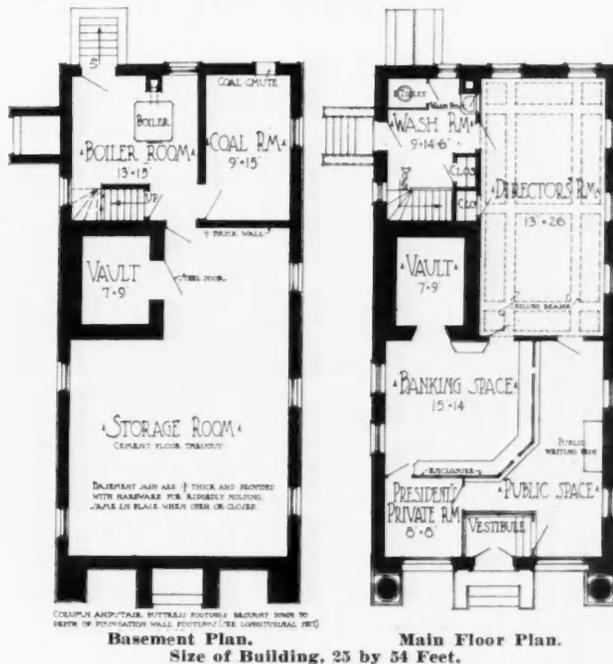
Nearly every town has a bank, and the builder who has good, practical ideas on their construction will often get a chance to do this work. If a local man can handle this kind of work, it will not be necessary to import a firm from some other location. Even if a man does not get the contract, he can get a certain part, such as the interior trim, etc.

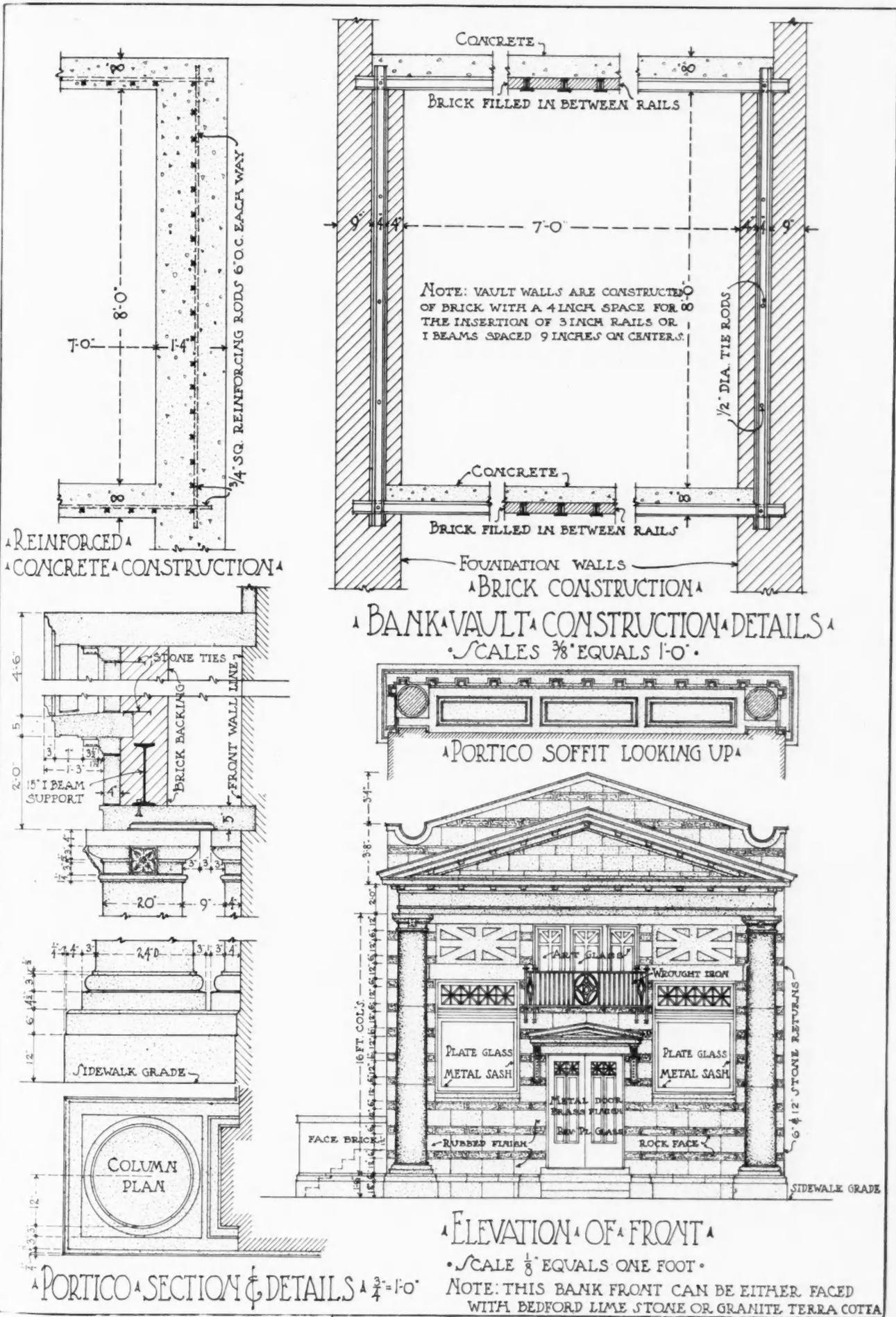
The longitudinal section shows many of the details of construction of this building and gives an idea of the class of work required for smaller bank buildings. One of the special features is the method of building the floor under the front part of the bank, where the public and banking spaces are located. It also shows the massive character of the walls and the foundations that are necessary to support them. Attention is called to the walls surrounding the vault, particularly. The size of these is also shown in the floor plan. The roof is built with a slant from front to back, so an air space is left between the roof and the ceiling. This is ventilated, as mentioned on the cross section, by four openings in each of the walls.

The floor plan shows the general arrangement of the

rooms on both the main floor and the basement. In the basement there are located the storage room, coal room, boiler room, and the basement vault. The entrance to the main floor is into a vestibule which opens to the right into the public space. The opposite front corner is occupied by the president's private room. The banking space is directly back of this room. The vault, the directors' room, and a wash room are located in the back part of the building.

The larger detail sheets show some of the various smaller construction features of the building. One of the sheets shows the construction details of the vault and also an elevation of the front which illustrates the many various little features that are used in making decorative fronts in bank buildings.





Details of Bank Front; also Details of Two Methods of Construction for the Fireproof Vault (Design No. 6748, Illustrated on Page 54.



Noon Hour Talks by the Boss Carpenter

Talk No. 41. Columns in Mill Construction Type of Building— Construction Series No. 5

THE BOSS TELLS ABOUT TIMBER COLUMNS IN MILL CONSTRUCTION, AND SHOWS DETAILED CALCULATIONS

“AT the close of our last talk,” said the Boss, “we had reached the point where we were ready to begin the calculations to find the size of timber columns needed in a mill constructed building. The width of the building was taken as 48 ft., and the size of the floor bays or panels was 8 ft. by 16 ft. Our floor load was assumed to be 150 pounds

footings below the basement floor. The general plan of the roof construction is similar to that shown for the floors in our last talk.

“The roof and floor loads are carried to the columns by the main girders which rest upon post caps at the top of each column as shown in Fig. 71. These post caps may be of cast iron, malleable iron, or steel,

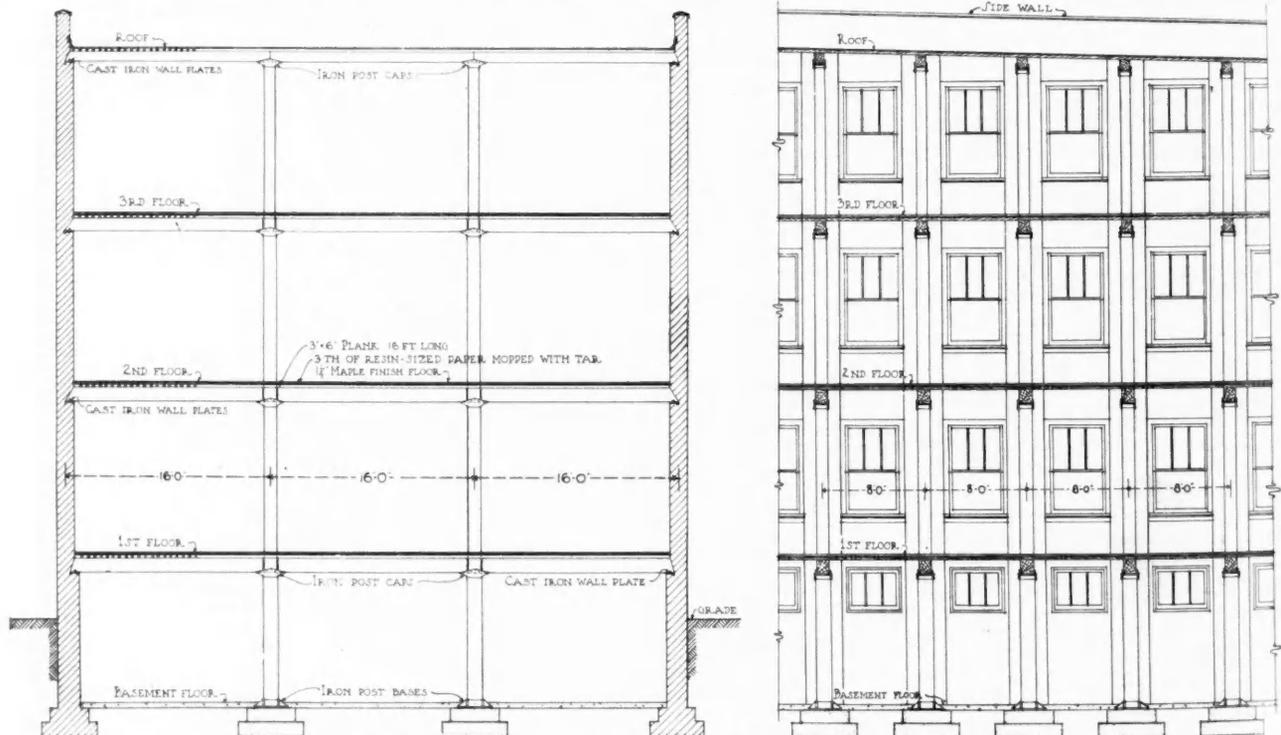


Fig. 71. Two Views of Wooden Mill Construction Type of Commercial Building.

per square foot live load in addition to the weight of the floor itself.

“Our problem today is to find the size of the columns on each floor needed to hold up the load which will be carried by each set of posts. We will assume that the building consists of three stories and basement as shown in Fig. 71. The columns begin at the roof and extend downwards in a straight line to the

and are of the general type shown in Fig. 72. The cap fits the top of the post, and not only serves as a bracketed support for the girders, but also forms a plate to hold the column from the floor above. The ends of the columns should be squared off nicely before they are put in place, so as to have an even bearing over all parts of the column end. Columns should not be allowed to rest directly upon the top-

of girders, since the shrinkage of the girder timbers may cause settling in the columns, or tend to cause an uneven distribution of the bearing stress over the end of the columns. Another danger in this method of support is apparent in case a girder should fail in fire and fall from its place. This would throw the end of the column from its bearing support and would probably cause failure in the structure.

"Where it is not desired to carry a column through a floor and down to the cap of the column on the floor below, a cast-iron pintle such as shown in Fig. 70, Talk No. 40, may be used. The top part of this pintle forms a cup or flange for the support of the end of the column, while the cylindrical lower part fits in between the ends of the girders on the post cap and carries the load from above to the cap below.

"There are many varieties of iron and steel post caps used in construction. Some types provide for fastening the columns and girders to the cap, while others allow these members to rest freely on the cap, depending upon the weight on the members to hold them in place. While some authorities advocate the fastening of girders in such a manner that they will be rigid at the columns, others claim that the girders should be supported freely at the posts so that in case the girder falls, it will clear itself both from the posts and the walls, leaving these parts of the building unharmed.

"The lower end of the posts in the basement should rest upon an iron base plate about 2 inches in thickness, and raised above the floor level sufficient to keep water away from the end of the post. This plate may be placed upon a stone or concrete footing or pier as shown in Fig. 71. The size of the pier will depend upon the load to be carried and the kind of soil in which the pier or footing is placed.

"The New England Mutual Insurance Companies have been responsible in a large measure for the details of the mill constructed type of building as it is erected today. These companies advise that a 1½-inch diameter hole be bored thru the axis of each timber post and a ½-inch cross-hole near the top and bottom to give an interior circulation of air. It is claimed that this attempt at ventilation prevents decay and dry rot, but in ordinary buildings the posts are commonly used solid.

"It is a wise precaution to leave all heavy timber work of this kind in its natural condition for at least three years so that it may become thoroughly seasoned before painting or varnishing. All corners should be rounded or chamfered so as to expose no sharp edge to attack by fire. All surfaces should be planed and left in a smooth condition.

"The different cities of the country vary to some extent in the details of their building ordinances, but they nearly all agree in regard to the essentials of standard mill construction. It is commonly specified that the posts which support the roof shall have a

cross-section of at least 64 square inches (8 in. by 8 in.), and that posts of all other floors shall have a cross-section of at least 100 square inches (10 in. by 10 in.). We must bear these restrictions in mind in making our calculations.

"Before we can find the size of post needed in the top floor of our building, we must find the amount of load on that part of the roof which is carried by one post. The size of the roof panels will be 8 ft. by 16 ft. as in our floor calculations of Talk No. 40. The roof is flat as shown in Fig. 71, and consists of yellow pine plank 3 inches thick (2⅝ in. dressed), spiked directly to the heavy roof timbers and covered with

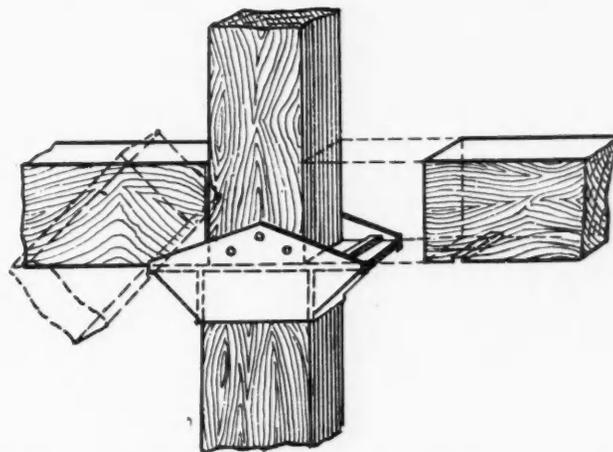


Fig. 72. A Type of Post Cap Used with Self-Releasing Girders.

4-ply or 5-ply tar and gravel roofing. The roof timbers are at least 6 inches in thickness, even for the lightest roofs, and are held in place as in the case of floor girders. A slope of ½-inch to ¾-inch per foot is given to the roof, and an incombustible cornice protects the roof when there is danger from fire in neighboring buildings.

"The load on one post in the top story is found by assuming that the post supports the load on a panel of floor 8 ft. by 16 ft. in area. This load is made up of the weight of the 3-inch plank, the weight of one roof girder, the weight of the 5-ply gravel roofing, and an allowance for the weight of snow which is likely to rest on the roof. The weight of timber may be taken as 3 pounds per square foot of material 1 inch thick, or 8 pounds per square foot of roof surface 2⅝ inches thick. The weight of the 6-inch by 12-inch roof timber will add but little to the general load per square foot of roof surface, and can be neglected without serious error. The weight of the 5-ply gravel roofing may be taken as 6 pounds per square foot of roof surface. The allowance for snow load will vary in different parts of the country and may be taken from the following values:

"For flat roofs in Southern or Pacific Slope States, 5 pounds per square foot of roof surface; Central States, 30 pounds per square foot; Rocky Mountain States, 35 pounds per square foot; New England

States, 40 pounds per square foot, and Northwestern States, 45 pounds per square foot. If we assume that our building is in the Central States, the snow load will be taken as 30 pounds per square foot in our calculations.

"The total load per square foot of roof surface will be $8+6+30$, or, allowing for the girder also, about 46 pounds per square foot. Since the area of roof supported by one post is 8×16 , or 128 square feet, the total central load on the post is 46×128 , or 5,888 pounds. Call this 5,900 pounds for easy calculation.

"In Talk No. 39, we used a number of formulas for finding the size of timber columns of different materials. If we are to use Georgia pine in the columns in this building, with a factor of safety of 5, the formula taken from Talk No. 39 will be as follows:

$$\frac{W}{A} = 4,000 - \left(\frac{8}{10} \times \frac{l}{d} \times \frac{l}{d} \right)$$

"In this formula, W is the total central load in pounds, A is the area of cross-section of column in square inches, l is the length of the column in inches, and d is the least dimension of the column in inches. Since a square section will give the best results in a timber column, A will equal $d \times d$, and d will be the side dimension of the square. The length of the unsupported part of the columns in this building will be taken as 12 feet.

"Filling in the formula, taking care to use the factor of safety of 5, we have,

$$\frac{5 \times 5,900}{d \times d} = 4,000 - \left(\frac{8}{10} \times \frac{12 \times 12}{d} \times \frac{12 \times 12}{d} \right)$$

"Solving, we find that $d = 4$ in. (approx.) This indicates that an 8 inch by 8 inch post, which is the smallest size allowable in this type of construction is amply safe for use.

"The posts of the floor below will have to carry a central load of 5,900 pounds from the post above and the load brought to them by the girders of the top floor. In Talk No. 40, we found that the load on a panel of floor 8 ft. by 16 ft. in this problem was 20,736 pounds. Adding these two values, the result is 26,636 pounds. Using this value in the formula above in place of the value 5,900 and solving, we find that d is about 7 inches. Again the ruling that no column below the top floor shall be less than 10 inches by 10 inches, will govern the design, and a 10-inch square timber post will be used.

"The columns of the first story will carry a load of 26,636 from the column above and a load of 20,736 from the floor of the second story. Adding these values and using the result 47,372 pounds in the formula, we find d is about 8 inches. Again a 10-inch by 10-inch timber post is sufficient.

"The columns in the basement, if of wood, will carry a load of 47,372 plus 20,736 pounds, or 68,108 pounds. Using this value in the formula as before,

we find that d equals about 10 inches. Therefore, a 10-inch by 10-inch post could be used.

"Other posts on each of these floors will be of the same size as those found by the calculations since they support similar loads."



Black and White—the Newest Decoration Colors

By Malcolm Strauss

Black and white is distinctly a new note in decoration. Whether it has struck a responsive chord in American favor is an open question. Personally, I believe it is here to stay. People of conservative taste, who prefer the more sombre color combinations one sees everywhere, have already cataloged this startling departure as another of those "twentieth century freaks—no one knows whence they come or where they may go."



The Author's Suggestion for a Black and White Wall Panel.

But the person who is willing to cast a keen and critical eye over the virtues of black and white, and not reject it simply because it is an innovation, will find many points that speak well for this bold, yet cultured treatment.

Black and white, as we all know, form the greatest possible contrast. Scientists tell us that black is the absence of all colors, and white, the presence of all colors. Alone, white is cold, and black itself, deadly dull, but an artistic combination of these two extremes gives an interesting individuality that cannot be obtained by any other combination of colors. It is simplicity itself, and as it is universally admitted that the beauty of a plain wall needs no emphasis, surely this form of silhouette decoration may serve us well here. Black and white shows the value of contrast as never before appreciated. The smallest room will yield to this treatment and assume a much-sought individuality.

Today but few American homes have a black and white room. Thus far this unusual combination has been used largely for commercial or advertising purposes. In New York City, for example, several of the smartest restaurants have been quick to see the possibilities of this treatment and have used it with remarkable and much-talked-about effect.

That black and white is likely to find a place in the home seems to me a logical conclusion. It is particularly adaptable to drawing-rooms, music-rooms, entrance halls, and foyers, due to its distinctive note and its contrast with the overworked, standard color combinations.

To be effective, black and white must be used in moderation. Tastefully used in one, or surely not more than two rooms in a house or an apartment, black and white is pleasing and desirable. But applied indiscriminately wherever a wall or partition may be found, it is blatant and impossible.

Black and white might well be termed "the bass-drum note in decoration." Too much of it will drown out any and everything near it; properly used, it is distinctive and pleasing.—*The Dutch Boy Painter.*

Lining up for the Store Front Business

Chapter I, The Nine Basic Layouts

FIRST OF A SERIES TO BRING OUT BOTH THE COMMERCIAL POSSIBILITIES AND THE LATEST METHODS OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE UP-TO-DATE ALL-GLASS STORE FRONTS

By Our Store Front Man

MILLIONS of dollars have been spent in the erection of store fronts during the past ten years.

Have you made your share of the profits?

Here is a branch in building that is probably different than all others you are interested in simply because it combines the commercial with the structural. The successful builder of store fronts today is the man who thoroly comprehends the underlying motive. He's the man who realizes that *store fronts are built to sell merchandise—not simply to keep out the rain and admit a little daylight.*

It is a fact that from 60 to 80 per cent of the store

business streets in your town and see how little thought has been given the element of individuality in store fronts.

It is our advice that you make it a rule to build individuality into each front—it not only will result in a better investment for the man who foots the bill, but will help wonderfully in establishing yourself as "the Store Front man" in your locality—all of which makes a more profitable business.

Make each front you build stand out—make it look modern—make it make more sales for the retailer behind it. The greater his profits thru his front, the stronger will be his endorsement for you as "the Store Front man."

Those new fronts that have been properly designed and built during the past few years have produced almost unbelievable results. And this includes small town fronts as well as those in the larger cities. In fact, the better, small, individual store fronts are found in the small towns. It is nothing unusual to find beautiful, well-balanced and thoroly modern store fronts in towns of less than 1,000 people.

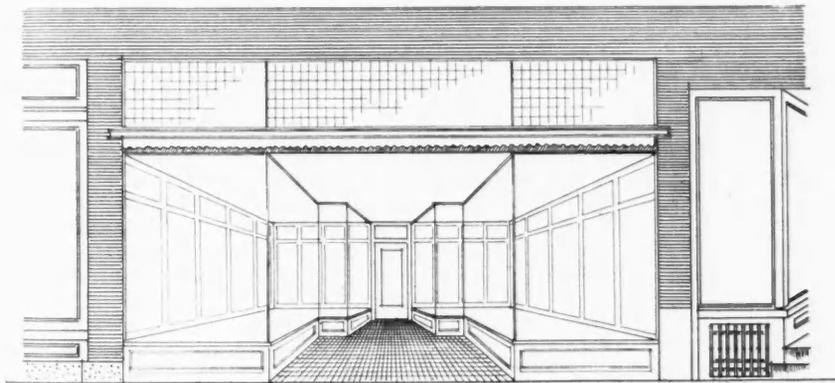
The time it takes such fronts to pay for themselves by the increased business depends upon the local possibilities and support given by the retailers. Some produce enough net profit on the increased business during the first six months to pay back the total investment. Some require longer—a year—two years. But in every instance it can be shown to be an unusually profitable investment.

Series to Present Business Getting Facts About Store Fronts

In the articles that will follow, the "arithmetic" of store fronts, from the retailers' standpoint, will be discussed. This will enable you to approach your

prospects and to talk to them from the angle that most interests them. While the retailer wants his front to be well built, his foremost thought is, "Will it pay?"

Here is shown an elevation of a modern front. Also plans of nine different types. The almost unlimited number of designs



Perspective View of Store Front Arranged According to the "Zigzag" Type.

fronts in this country are alike in design and appearance; and can you offer any logical reason for it? The only one I can think of is, "the line of least resistance."

How simple it is to say to the retailer who has called upon you to build his new front: "What style do you want—something like Smith's new front?" Your patron may be a jeweler and Smith may sell furniture, or clothing, or groceries or bicycles.

Plan Each Front for the Goods it is to Display

The one important question to ask yourself when called upon to build a front is: "What has this store to sell—what size is the front, and what shape windows are required to properly show the merchandise?" Isn't it reasonable to assume that to display rings and watches properly requires an altogether different style of front than does the display of a dining room suite or a refrigerator? And still—we just go up one side and down the other of the

SO important is the field of store fronts that we feel the articles on this subject which will follow, will be of particular interest to you. As in the other departments, we offer you here our assistance in helping to develop the store front business in your town. OUR STORE FRONT MAN is at your command; write and ask him any questions and call on him to help you out on any special problems in store front work.

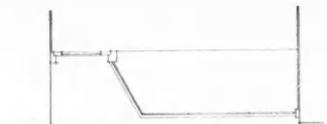


Fig. 1. Typical Side Entrance Front.

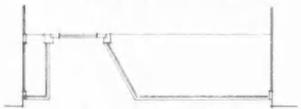


Fig. 2. Side Entrance Front with Additional Display Case.



Fig. 3. The Most Common Type with no Individuality.

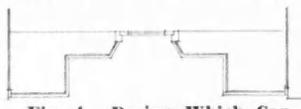


Fig. 4. Design Which Can Be Divided into Parts. More Practical than Fig. 3.

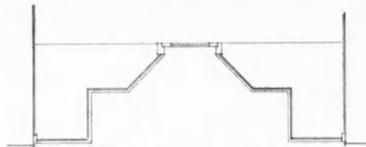


Fig. 5. One of the "Zigzag" Type of Store Fronts.

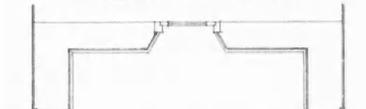


Fig. 6. Wide "Zigzag" Front Which Permits of an "Island" Show Case.

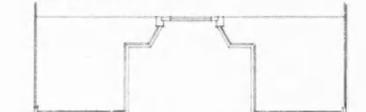


Fig. 7. "Zigzag" Front with Narrow Entrance.

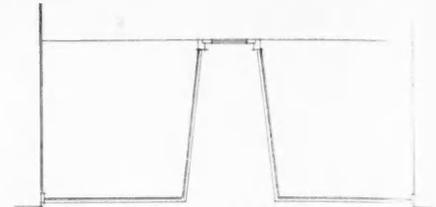


Fig. 8. Not a Practical Style of Front, Because of Narrow Vestibule.

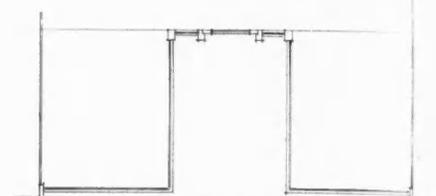


Fig. 9. Design Suitable for the Display of Furniture, Etc.

are elaborations of the basic types.

The price of every front absolutely depends upon the materials that enter into its construction; and for that reason it is impossible to set a price on any design without first considering the various details.

Fig. 1 shows a typical side entrance front. There are thousands of this type. Fig. 2 shows how the same space can be increased in efficiency by incorporating a small case at the left of the door. This case can be used for the display of small, detail articles and at the same time allows ample space in the larger compartment for the display of articles of the average size.

Fig. 3 illustrates the style of front which is most used—regardless of the merchandise to display—and possesses absolutely no individuality. The same space can be utilized as shown in Fig. 4, and the cost is increased only a very small amount.

Fig. 4 can be divided into four compartments, while Fig. 3 can never contain more than two.

Figs. 5, 6 and 7 show the various treatment of the "zigzag" style of front, the style adopted depending upon the merchandise to display.

Fig. 6 can be designed to incorporate an "island" show case, provided, of course, it will not congest the vestibule space. There should be a distance of at least 4 feet 6 inches between all points inside the vestibule.

Fig. 8 is not a practical style of front because the vestibule space is not large enough for people to pass in and out of the store without crowding or jostling. Fig. 9 shows a more practical treatment of a front of this nature. The glass panels on either side of the door, in addition to enlarging the vestibule space, make it possible for the passer-by to view the interior of the store.

Fig. 9 is especially suitable for the display of furniture, however, the same principles can be carried out in designing windows for the display of the smaller articles, such as jewelry.

As stated before, there is an unlimited number of designs of store fronts which can be adopted, but in each case the style used should depend upon the work to be done rather than the amount of money to be spent.



Details of a Sun Porch

WORK OF RALPH W. ERMELING, ARCHITECT

THE sun porch has become more and more popular of recent years and now nearly all houses that are being built are having sun porches built onto them. Also many old houses are being fixed up so as to provide a sun porch. This is often accomplished by making over a back porch or a detached room that is suitable for this purpose. The glass in the porch can be removed, in many instances, in the warm weather and screens inserted in its place.

The sun porch is likely to be the most used place in the house due to its cheerful, bright coziness.

In many designs the entrance to the porch from the other room is thru full-glazed double doors, but in this instance the separation from the rest of the house is merely indicated by two posts and a balustrade on each side of a cased opening. The details of this porch are shown on the opposite page.

Under one of the balustrades is a cabinet which will be handy for storing various things. In case the room adjoining the porch is a dining room, the cabinet may be used for china. If the living room adjoins, it can be utilized for books or games. The construction of the cabinet and the seats can be seen at the upper part of the detail sheet.

One of the seats is movable and the other is fixed. This will permit of a table being placed near the fixed bench and the other moved up to it. Breakfasts and other light meals can thus be served out in the sun parlor or open air porch.

Above the back of the seats on each side are windows which are divided into small panes at the top. The paneling on the seat combined with this gives an attractive paneled effect on the entire wall. The lamps on the posts are also artistic features.



CEMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

Concrete Above as Well as Below in This Basement Barn

DETAILS OF REINFORCED CONCRETE WORK FOR MAIN BARN FLOOR OVER DAIRY STABLE—SANITARY, FIREPROOF AND ECONOMICAL

By H. Colin Campbell, C. E.

NO one at the present time gives much thought to any other material than concrete for barn foundation work. Moreover, it is just about as easy and cheap to carry a barn foundation up far enough to complete at least the first story. Then, if one goes a step farther, and makes the mow floor of concrete, the lower portion of the structure becomes strictly fireproof. If this basement is intended for use as quarters for dairy stock or horses, the animals are thoroly safeguarded against fire.

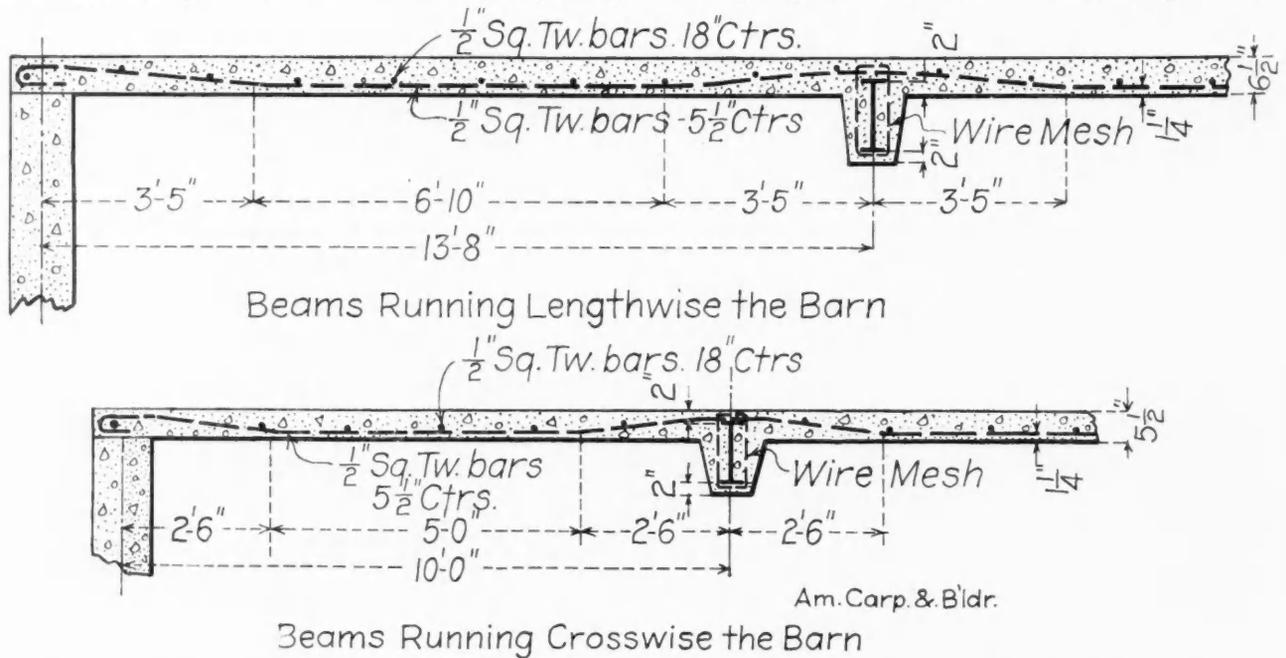
This is a practice which is becoming more common and has recently been shown preference in the construction of a 40 by 90-foot barn on the farm of Charles R. Shirkey, Montpelier, Ohio.

Mr. Shirkey has given considerable attention to the use of concrete on the farm and has employed it in making many of his farm improvements. There is therefore nothing surprising in his use of concrete for this large barn just added to his farm-building group.

He saw the wisdom of protecting the animals to be housed, against fire, and constructed the floor above them of reinforced concrete carried by 12-inch I-beams.

Several preliminary designs were calculated for the floor construction before one presenting all desirable economies was worked out. This was because the I-beams had already been purchased and it was necessary to make a design that would best fit their use. Calculations were made based upon using the beams running lengthwise of the barn, and again running crossways of the barn. The latter design, as shown in the accompanying drawing, made it possible to reduce the thickness of the floor slab, and was the one finally adopted.

A number of construction difficulties were encountered, owing to the fact that the concrete mixer employed for preparing the concrete was of such limited capacity that the work could not progress with



Details of Beams and Floor Slabs (Figured for the Two Optional Ways of Running the Floor Beams) Showing Reinforcing as Placed Under Hay Mow.

Concrete Basement Barn

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speed enough to make floor slab joints fall at previously determined desirable points, representing each day's suspension of concreting. So joints had to be made in the floor, where it would have been more desirable to have avoided them.

Inasmuch as the superstructure was planned for plank construction, an attempt was made to avoid the expense of special form lumber, and to use so far as possible the material intended for the superstructure frame. This, of course, compelled no cutting of the stock lengths, so in some cases the forms had to be built without making close fits. To give a finished appearance to the work, the corrugated sheet steel with which the structure was to be roofed, was used as a covering for the floor forms to prevent a leakage of concrete. This worked out well, and furthermore, gave an attractive appearance to the under side of the floor, which, of course, was the ceiling of the basement, due to a reproduction of the corrugations in the steel on the concrete surface.

The slabs are reinforced with $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch square twisted rods, running lengthwise, and spaced $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches center to center, while $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch square twisted rods, spaced

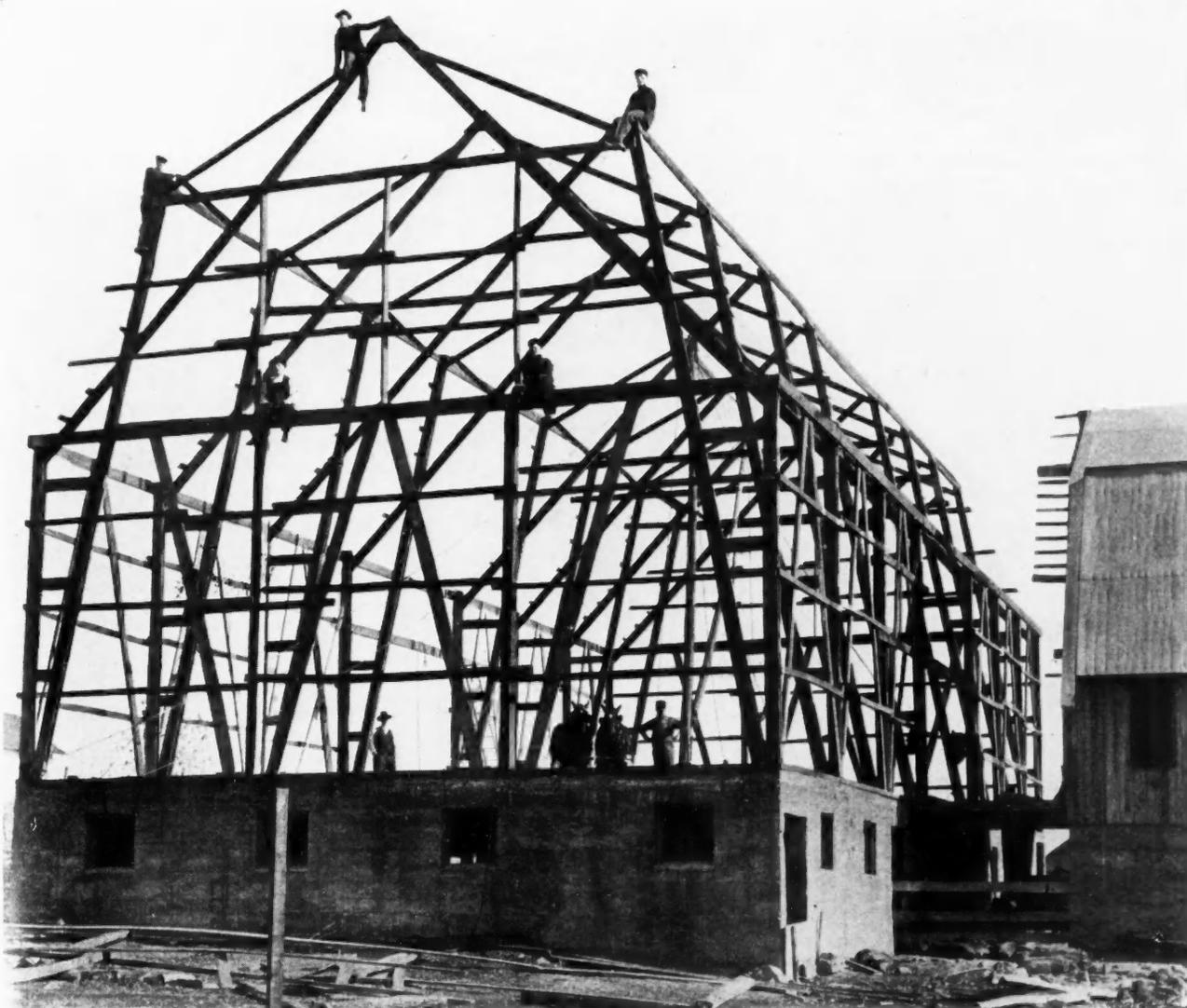
18 inches center to center, run crosswise to assist in counteracting temperature stresses.

Realizing the importance of affording every protection to concrete during the period of early hardening, the concrete as soon as hardened sufficiently to permit it, was covered with a heavy layer of wet straw and chaff, this covering being kept wet for three weeks. As a consequence the concrete hardened properly under the most favorable conditions and represents a practically perfect piece of construction.

A 1:2:4 mix was used thruout, care being given to the selection of clean materials and to accurate proportioning.

The owner contemplates finishing the basement interior in the most approved modern manner, using concrete for floors and for stalls. By so doing, the stock quarters will be given the highest possible measure of sanitation, a feature which is of importance equal to fireproofness.

Some persons still condemn the use of concrete floors in stock stalls, claiming that they are too cold for stock to lie upon, and hence may cause rheumatism and, in dairy cattle, other objectionable stock



View Showing Concrete Foundation as Carried Up for First Floor and with Timber Frame Erected.

ailments. There is room for quite a difference of opinion on this subject, yet many noted stock raisers express themselves emphatically in favor of concrete.

Where the concrete floor lies immediately on the natural soil, which may perhaps be moisture-retaining and hence will become cold in winter, concrete floors may become objectionably cold. But a concrete floor should not be laid immediately on natural soil, which



Concrete Floor as Placed Over First Floor and Under Hay Mow.

tends to retain moisture. Rather a floor base should be prepared by excavating 8 or 10 inches and substituting for the natural soil thus removed an equal depth of clean, well-compacted gravel or cinders, which will act as an insulating material, especially if connected with drains that will prevent the accumulation and retention of water beneath the concrete. For those who object strenuously, however, to using concrete for stable floors, there is the alternative of placing on top of the concrete some one of the several types of wood or cork block made especially for stable floors. Such construction, however, cannot be so sanitary as the impervious concrete, yet of course it is far better than an earth floor or even the slat stall floors which are sometimes used. The latter soon become saturated with stable wastes, and wear out and must be replaced, therefore they represent both insanitary and impermanent construction.



Pick-Ups on the Job

By H. J. Blackledge

ALWAYS buy the brightest colored pencils you can find. If you drop one in the shavings or trash it can be seen instantly, without having to get down on all fours and paw around in the dirt.

FILED to a sharp point, a broken nail set makes a dandy prick punch. Or break it off close up to the knurl, file properly (drawing the temper if it is

too hard to file), re-temper and you have a good center punch.

I SAW a fellow have a streak of bad luck and break all his drill points. He said never a word, but took a six-penny finish, hammered it to a chisel point, filed off the corners a bit and—went ahead drilling. It worked perfectly for thirty holes. If the chuck will hold nails it would also hold the bradawls from a hollow handle.

EVER have your oil stone try to navigate the whole bench? Especially when you were in a hurry? Take the stone out of the case and drive a tack or flathead thru the bottom so it will project a sixteenth, in each end, replace stone and go to it. Or, if you have a metal case, glue a piece of sandpaper to the bottom. And, by the way, old Le Page's liquid won't stick to metal very well. But if you use shellac you will find it will stick—till the pond freezes over. Remember this when you run out of cement for your bicycle tire. Shellac is the best sticker I ever found for connecting with metal.

NOT long ago the boss fired five men because they did not have tools enough. Young man, buy tools! And then again, Buy Tools! And again, I say unto you, BUY TOOLS! Never mind about the old crabs that howl "Hardware store!" Before night you will have the satisfaction of having them come around and want to borrow something from you. My partner once told one of these fellows he would not loan him a pleasant smile. You can use your own judgment. Some men would split the shingles by hand as their grand-dads did, if they could. I should say that ten out of every twelve numbers of the "A. C. & B." advertise some new tool. Father says, to most of them: "Well, that's not bad." Grand-dad says, "Humph!" through his nose. But let's have the brass tacks—

WHY spend twenty minutes chamfering the corners of a porch post to gauge lines when it can be done in five with a chamfer gauge costing two bits?

WHY plane and try with square, plane and try, plane and try—when once over with a plane gauge will make it dead sure? Ever try to joint a board with a smoother? Same principle exactly! Costs a dollar.

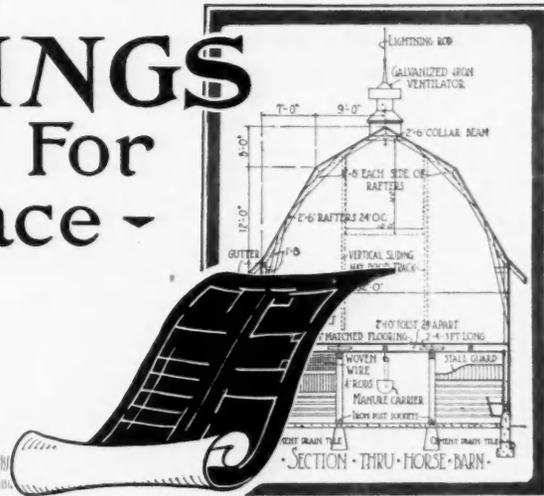
WHY bore, pull out and look; bore, pull out and look—and then seven more times, when a bit gauge would make forty holes all *exactly* the same? Costs from fifteen cents to six bits.

WHY chisel mortises by the hour when a dollar and a quarter router would do it—well, not by the minute, but 'twould save very nearly half time on a job, besides getting the mortises all of an accurate depth.

WHY drive screws by twist of the wrist when one shove will make three turns and can be done in less time than one turn? May the Lord bless the spiral ratchet!

FARM BUILDINGS

Arranged For Convenience



Large Farm Dairy House

On farms where a large number of cows are kept a separate dairy house, built after the plan shown in Design A316, is well liked.

This dairy house is thoroly well built with a concrete foundation, hollow wooden walls and a good roof. The concrete foundation is solid and extends well down below frost.

The floor of the dairy house is thicker than ordinary farm floors. Commencing at grade, the ground is leveled and wetted down with water to pack as solid as possible. A layer of cinders is then put down about three inches deep. The cinders are carefully leveled and lightly pounded with the object of making a dry, cushion foundation for the concrete.

The concrete bottom may be a coarse

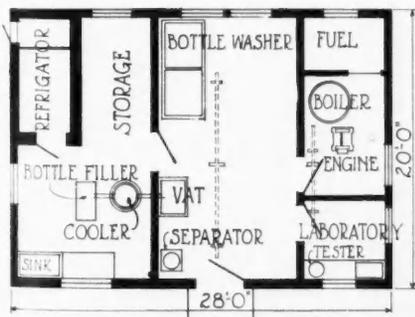
There is a ventilator window in each gable to keep a circulation of air moving over the dairy room at night. These windows are hinged and operated by cords running over pulleys.

The plan of the dairy house includes rooms for the boiler and engine, separator, cooler and refrigerator, with places for the Babcock tester, bottle washer and other small utensils and machines. The arrangement is intended for putting up high grade bottled milk and cream and perhaps to churn the surplus into butter.

A farm dairy to supply certain special lines of trade requires some provision to take care of the surplus. The flow of milk varies in the best managed dairies. If a farmer has a contract to supply a certain quantity of milk or cream daily,

he has to have a little more milk than necessary to fill the orders. The surplus may be worked into butter to better advantage than any other product, because butter may be sold in any quantity at any time. Also good farm dairy butter that is made under facilities for turning out a fancy product usually brings good prices with unlimited demand.

A dairy business handled in this way requires a larger dairy house and more machinery than when the milk is sold in bottles or the cream is shipped away and the skimmed milk fed on the farm, but there is a chance to make more ready money by following up the different lines of manufacture to get a profit from as many branches of the business as possible.



Floor Plan of Dairy House.

mixture about three and one-half inches deep. The floor surface, however, is very carefully made by using high grade sand mixed with lively cement in proportions of one part cement to two parts sand. This makes a waterproof floor with a hard, smooth wearing surface.

Above the wall the building is constructed of studding, building paper, with clapboards or drop siding outside, and the inside is finished with good quality or narrow matched ceiling. The sides and overhead are built in the same way.

The roof also is made double by boarding the rafters on the underside to keep the attic part of the building cool.



An efficient farm dairy house to handle bottle milk business. We can furnish complete set of blueprinted working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$7.00 per set. When ordering, ask for Design No. A316.

One Story Tile Stable for Cows and Horses

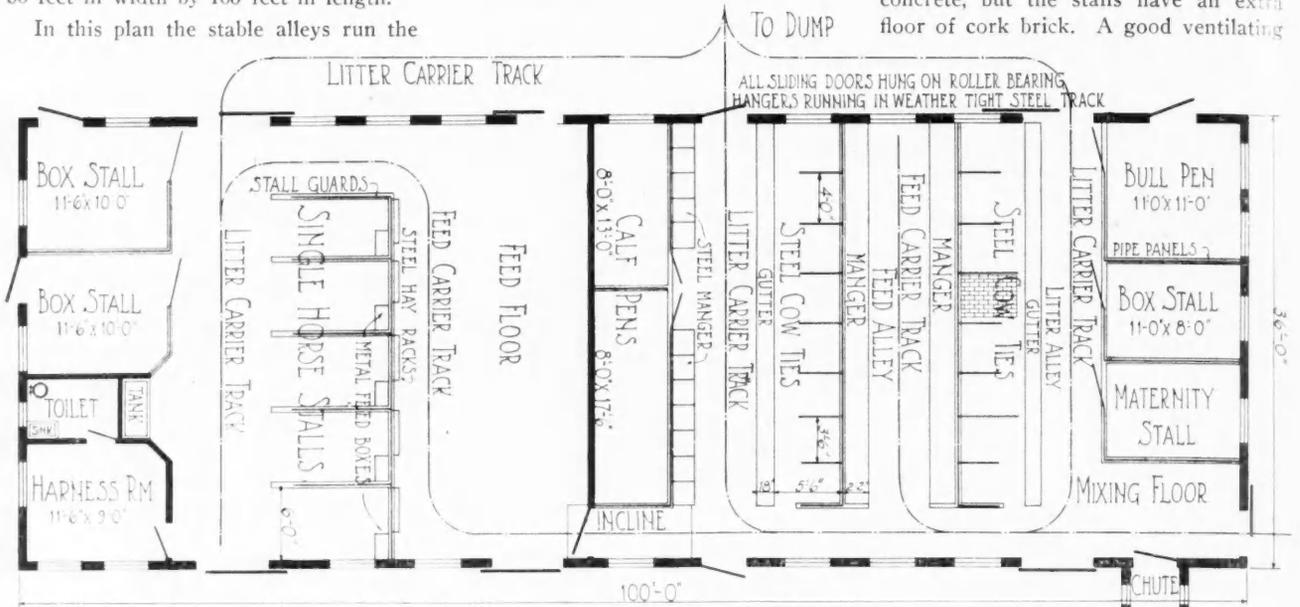
Some dairymen prefer a stable without storage overhead. The accompanying illustrations of Design A283 show a thoroly well built dairy and horse stable 36 feet in width by 100 feet in length.

In this plan the stable alleys run the

hay, etc., 15 feet in width.

The manure and feed carriers run crosswise back and forth, as indicated by the dotted line on the floor plan. The building is constructed of hollow structural tiling up to the eaves. A silo 12

feet in diameter and 30 feet high is built of silo tiles. The roof may be covered with asbestos shingles. There is a drop of 3 feet about the center of the stable, because of the incline of the ground on the side where the stable was built, which causes two levels. The entire ceiling above the horse and cow stable is plastered with three coats of plaster on metal lath. The horse stable floor is level and made of concrete, but the stalls have an extra floor of cork brick. A good ventilating



Ground Floor Plan of Stable Measuring 100 Ft. by 35 Ft. and Built of Structural Tile. Design No. A283

short way of the building. Box stalls for the cattle are in one end of the building and the horse stable is in the opposite end. There is a feed alley between the two stables for the storage of baled

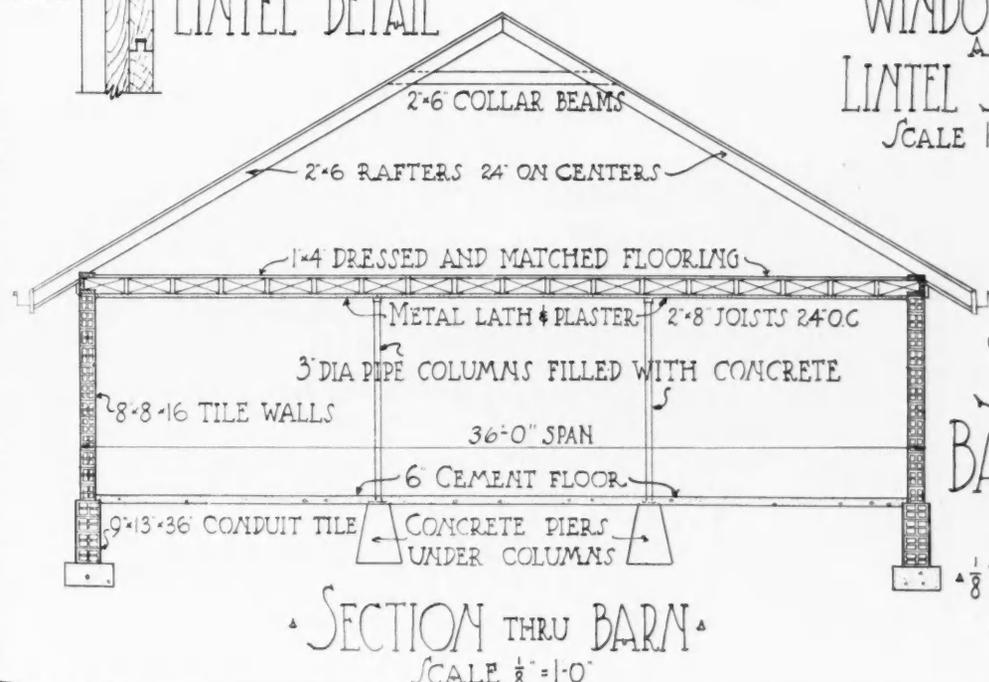
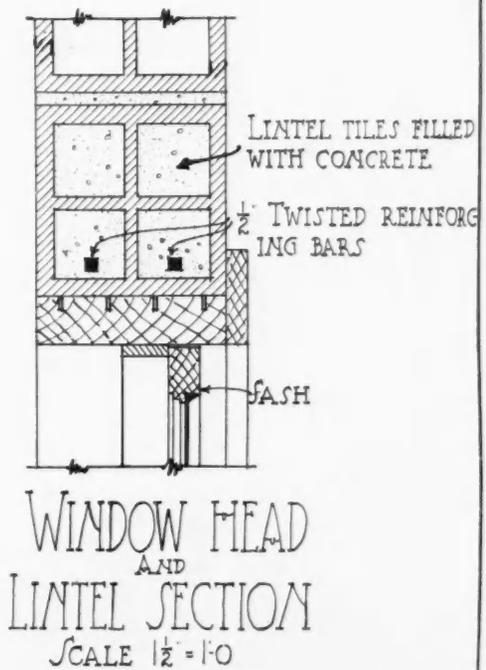
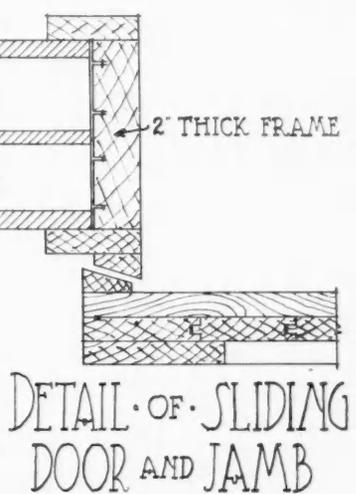
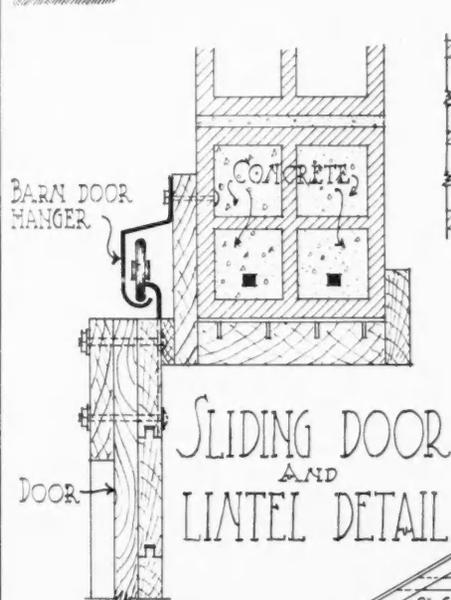
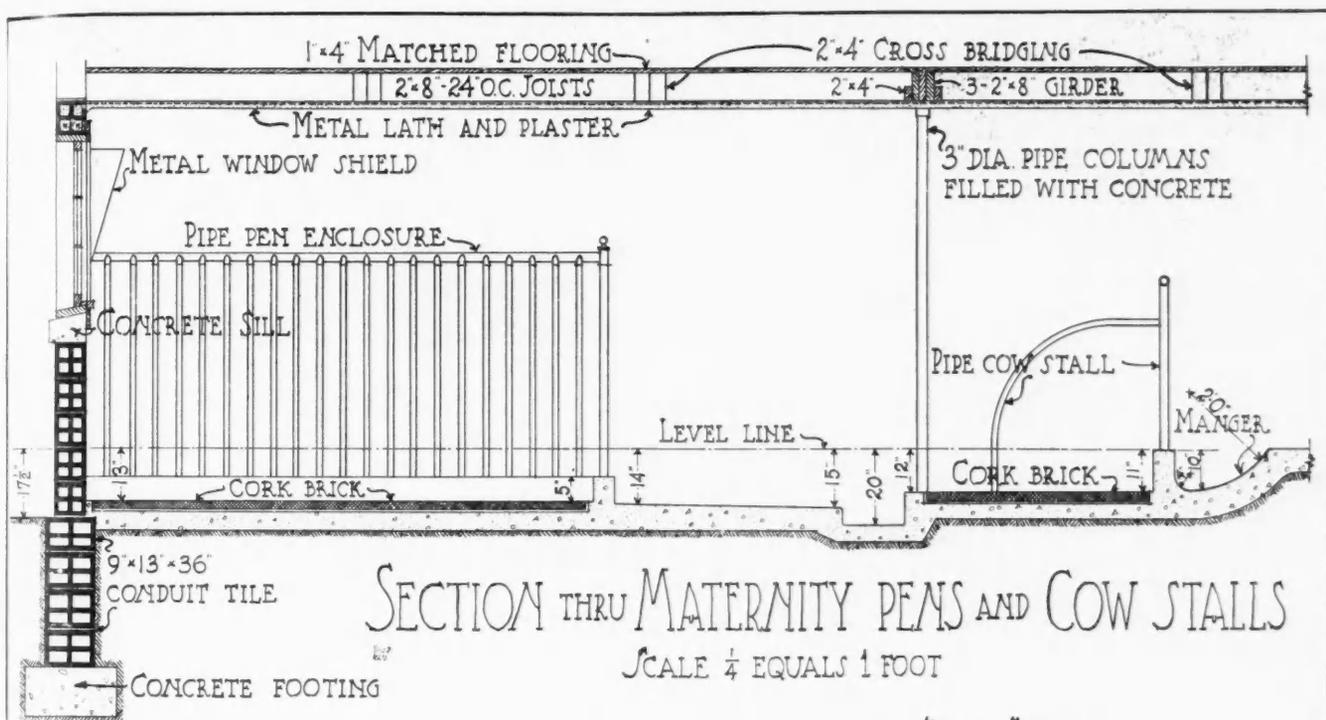
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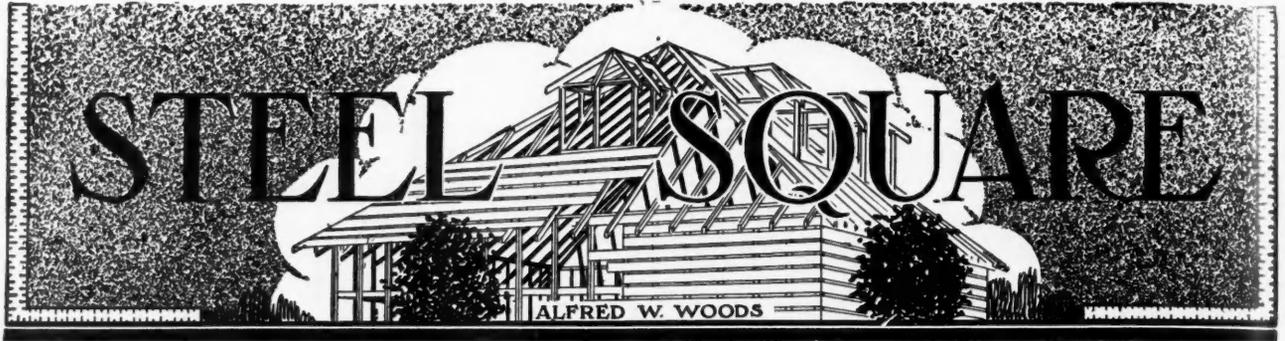
system is provided, fresh air brought thru windows, foul discharged thru flues



Hollow tile one-story stable for beef cattle and horses. Size, 100 by 36 feet. We can furnish complete set of blueprinted working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$10.00 per set. When ordering, ask for Design No. A283.



SHEET OF BARN DETAILS
• SCALES •
• $\frac{1}{8}$ " • $\frac{1}{4}$ " • $\frac{1}{2}$ " EQUALS •
• ONE FOOT •



Possibilities of the Steel Square

A TALK TO THE BOYS, WITH ILLUSTRATIONS SHOWING THE NEAR A-KIN OF RAFTER FRAMING TO THE LAYING OUT OF STAIR CARRIERS WITH THE AID OF THE STEEL SQUARE

By A. W. Woods

WE are going to talk to the boys this time and will ask the older chaps to stand aside for the time being till we get thru with our say, for they might come back at us and say: "We know better, for we have been there." But anyway, we want to talk to the boys and we want to have their undivided attention. So here goes.

Did you ever stop to think how near a-kin stair building, or rather the laying out of the stair horses, is to rafter framing?

We say horses, because that seems to be the name they generally go by, but we never could see why, unless they be compared to the beast of burden in carrying weight. If so, why not call them carriers, for that is what they are; they not only carry their own weight, but they are subjected to besides, both live and dead load. So, hereafter, we will refer to them as carriers.

In the first illustration is shown a carrier in position. It is formed from a 2 by 10-inch or 2 by 12-inch joist, according to strength required. The runs and risers are shown laid out on same ready to cut out, and if we consider them to be 12 and 7, as shown by the square, it would be just the same as running the square for finding the length and cuts of the common rafter and when set up in place, it would show the same as the common rafter, only that it is cut out of heavier stuff.

The second illustration shows a rafter of same run and rise as in the first instance; and the steel square is applied the same number of times and in the same proportions to determine its length as in the former illustration,

But you say, the tread of stairs is not always 12 inches, which is true, yet the principle remains the same. The only difference is, the square is made to fit the occasion. The run and rise in either case must be known factors before the runs and risers can be laid out, or the length of the rafter determined.

In the case of the carriers, the respective treads and risers must be of equal parts, that is, the total rise should be divided into parts as desired for the rise

of each step; and in doing this, it is rarely ever that these parts result without fractions and oftentimes they run into very minute parts, so much so that the stair builder discards the steel square because the fractional divisions are not to be found stamped on its face, and so he proceeds to lay out what is generally called a pitch board, which is nothing more nor less than a right angled triangle cut from a thin board with base and altitude equaling the desired width and rise of the

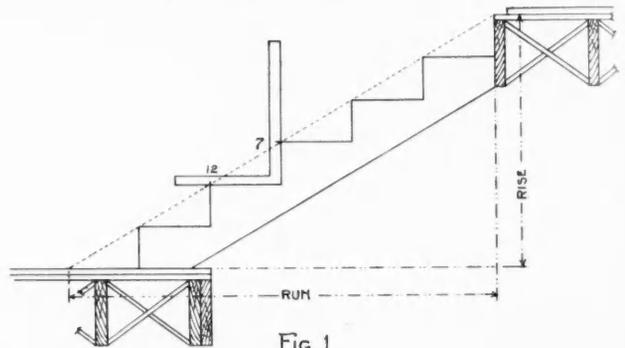


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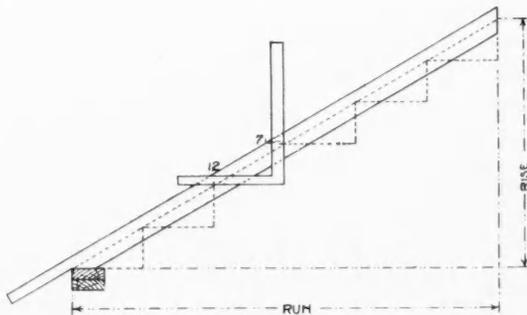


FIG. 2.

Steel Square for Laying Out Stair Horses.

step, as found in a mathematical way or by other means. Most stair builders use a pole by cutting it the exact length of the rise (from floor to floor) and then with spacers, divide the pole into the number of risers as desired. This being done, another pole is used to find the width of the individual treads. This is not so exacting as in the case of the rise.

We once heard of a fellow building a stair. He got

along nicely (in his estimation) till he got up to the last tread, and then he concluded to ask the boss for information and so he called to the boss: "Do you want two little steps up here, or one long one?" It is safe to say that the boss did not want either, or his services any longer. So to make it more emphatic, we will change the word "should" to "must" be equal. But as we said before, in the total run of the carriers, this is not so exacting, since a little one way or the other does not usually matter, unless it comes between fixed points.

In framing the rafters, it is the general custom to take so many inches rise per foot run of the rafter, as 7, 8, 9, 10, etc., as there is no need of running into fractions unless it be where different pitches are used in the same roof, and even this, as a general rule, should be avoided, as it usually shows bad taste; but fractions in the run of the rafter is a common thing; in fact, more common than otherwise, but this is an easy matter and should not be allowed to bother at all, as the length of the rafter will be taken care of by the manipulation of the square at the last placing, by laying off the seat instead of the plumb line and then by sliding the square along this line either to the left or right, for addition or subtraction, the amount of the fraction, whatever it may be, and lay off the plumb line for the proper cut.

In the case of the carrier, the treads are usually made $9\frac{1}{2}$ to $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches and the square is handled in the same way as for finding the length and cuts for

the common rafter. In other words, if one understands the framing of rafters by the running or placing of the square, he should experience no trouble in laying out the stair carriers, or vice versa, and yet it is generally considered that they are wholly different branches of carpentry work. In saying this, we do not wish to be understood as having reference to stair building in all of its art, but simply to the framing of the carriers.

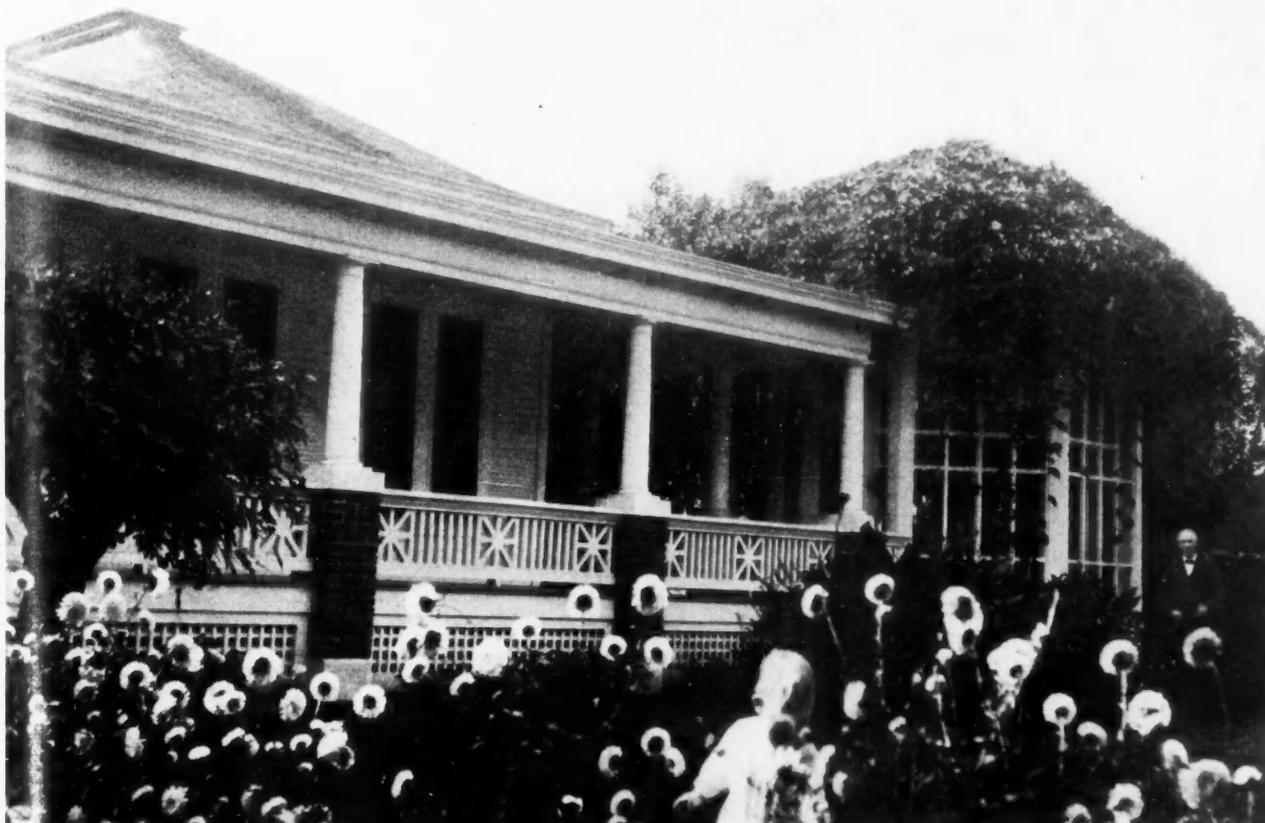


From January to October

THE accompanying half-tone photo shows part of the residence of Mr. A. W. Woods, our Associate Editor and Steel Square Expert. This is the octagon summer house which was shown in our January, 1915, number.

The photograph was taken late in September and shows the wonderful growth of the grape vine which completely covers the whole top of the summer house and hangs in festoons nearly to the ground. Just in front of the summer house is a bed of magnificent cannas, some idea of the height of which may be obtained by comparing with Mr. Woods' picture standing just to the right.

In the foreground and alongside of the walk is a bed of asters in full bloom and of many colors, but Mr. Woods says only the lighter colored ones show up prominently in the picture. In their midst is shown Thomas Vance, Jr., who is admiring his grandpa's flowers.



A. W. Woods and His Octagon Summer House, Construction of which was Illustrated in the January, 1915, Builder.

TRICKS *of the* CARPENTRY SHOP

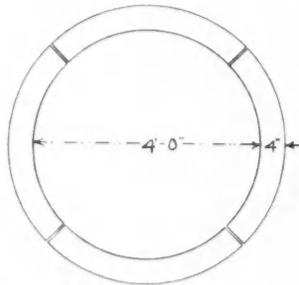
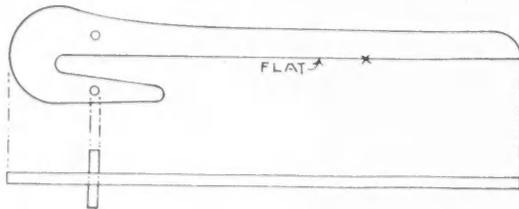


Kinks and Tricks

By Wm. C. Jasbury

A RADIAL GAUGE—I have in mind a carpenter's, or rather a woodworker's radial gauge, or in other words, an instrument to give the joint cut of a circle. To build a ring, say a well circle 40 inches in diameter, out of 1-inch material, with a 4-inch rim, take four parts, or quarter circles. Suppose the board was extra wide and a longer piece were sawed out, in fact, various lengths. When the man who was to put them together got at it, he would have to guess at the end cuts, or lay them out with the aid of a radius rod, or use a Kawalle miter box, or use the little tool I am about to describe.

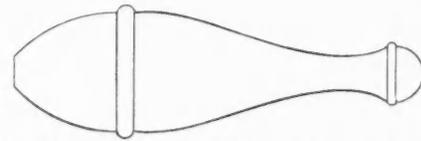
It is a piece of hardwood $\frac{3}{8}$ or $\frac{1}{4}$ inch thick, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and about 10 inches long, cut as in illus-



Home-Made Gauge to Give the Joint Cut of a Circle.

tration. With the aid of a pair of $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch dowels, 1 inch long, the tool is done. Keep the dowels up against the circle and mark along the edge, X, which is 90 degrees with the center line of the two dowels. The line, X, always points toward the center of the circle. I hope this is clear, as I consider it a good idea.

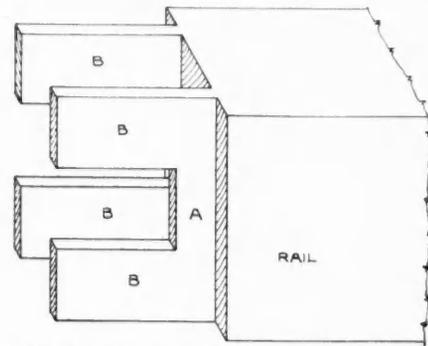
HUSHERS FOR BOWLING ALLEY PINS—Speaking about wood turning. I have turned the grooves in bowling alley pins for rubber bands that when the pins are knocked down, they will not make so much noise. Some of the pins are banded



Bowling Pins Banded with Rubber to Cut Down Noise.

at top and belly, some at the belly only. You see everything has its enemies. Even the bowling alley man is made to put mufflers on his pins in order to reduce insomnia in nearby hotels to a minimum.

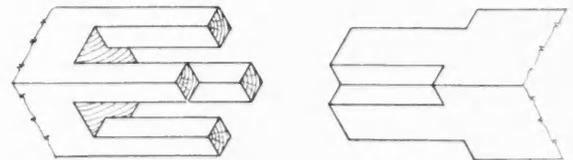
SOME MORE JOINTS—Many times tenons



Double Tenons on Rail Make Less Mortising on Stile.

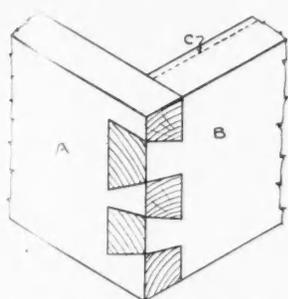
have been worked on rails (double) so as not to weaken the stile in mortising too much, making the tenons side by side, as shown in illustration. Open space, A, being called "relish," and B, "tenon."

I saw a cabinet maker working a joint for a piece of fancy turned work, of black walnut and white maple glued together, then turned. Here is the joint before turning.



Joint Made Between Black Walnut and White Maple Before Turning.

Here is one that puzzled yours truly. A shop-mate handed me a double dovetailed corner; asked me how I would make a couple bushels of them. I deferred my answer for reasons known to him *not*. The dovetails are cut in the regular manner except the dovetails on the end of A are cut similar to B. The joint cannot be put together the regular way. The way it was made was to hollow out the inside of piece B at the joint, force the joints together in an acute angle, bringing the angle around to square or 90 degrees, then glue in a piece of veneer (paper thickness) at



Ingenious Double Dovetailed Corner.

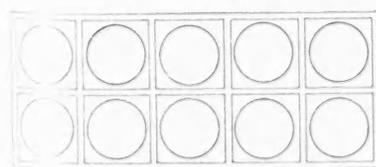
C, covering up the open cuts at angle. The veneer, C, to be ripped off the inside face of B before the operation. This joint, to my mind, is impracticable as far as its construction is concerned. This only shows what can be done with wood, tools and man, all working in unison.

AN OLD-TIME BARN—Recently I visited a farm in New Jersey and while in the barn I was much interested in the manner of construction. The woman on the premises informed me that the barn was built in 1793. Think of a wooden building standing 122 years, still in good condition and still being used. Of course, we have all seen buildings older, but I am talking about this one. The frame, as I examined it, proved to be white oak, cut on, or near the premises, as the neighborhood seemed even at this time to be well stocked with this valuable wood. The beams were 12 and 24-inch and 28 feet long and, of course, hewed out by hand. The posts were 8 by 12, braces 8 by 8, all mortised and tenoned together and draw-pinned. The formations of the beams, braces, etc., were no doubt planned out by some master framer of that day. The same sized building of today would be constructed in some localities of steel beams, etc. No doubt when raising day arrived, there was a crowd, and as the custom used to be, when the raising bee was over, there was a jollification that bore no resemblance whatever to a local option affair. New Jersey being the home of Apple Jack, no doubt that beverage had Grape Juice hanging on the ropes.

As I stated before, the joints of this barn were draw-pinned, meaning when the mortise and tennon are fit together, a hard wood pin is driven thru the hole in the tennon, bored a bit out of the center with the hole thru the walls of the mortise, i. e., closer to the shoulder of the tennon, so that when the pin is driven in (which has a sharp point) it pulls the tennon on in the mortise, so that the shoulder comes up tight.

To spend some time in a barn constructed of such timber, not only appears odd from a mechanical angle, but touches a sentimental chord as well. Days and weeks were used to do this work, with tools that today would seem primitive.

A FANCY NAIL BOX—I know where there is a



nail bench box made up of cups turned out and put in a flat frame. Each cup or hollow block contains different kind of nails.

The owner claims more uses and offers more praise for it than is due the linotype machine.

Court Decisions Affecting Builders

By L. R. W. Allison

Construction of Buildings on Residential Streets

Supreme Court Justice Charles W. Parker, New Jersey, has recently rendered a decision of far-reaching importance pertaining to building construction on residential streets. This decision is particularly applied to a city law adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Jersey City, and sets aside such law as a restrictive measure of prohibitive character.

This law, arranged to cover the protection of property on residential streets, provided that no building of any kind could be built, erected or moved upon any land in the city so as to be in front of any private dwelling, or in any way to cut off the frontage of such dwelling, unless a special permit was obtained. Also, that no change from a residential structure to a place of business could be made without permission from the building department.

In holding this law as not legal, the Court states that a city in restricting building operations by adopted laws can only restrict the operations with a view to the preservation of life and health and in the interests of safety. In the case considered, it is clearly shown that the adopted law exceeds the limits of the power of the State, as neither safety nor health are involved.

Going further into discussion, the Court says that it would be in some respects highly beneficial if a residential section could be lawfully protected by action of the city authorities to prevent the establishment of unsightly building extensions so as to break up the building line of a handsome street. The Jersey City law, however, is not practical for this purpose and the objections raised by neighboring residents were mainly from the standpoint of obstruction of view.

Contract on Conditional Bid Not Legal

The State Supreme Court, New Jersey, has handed down an important decision canceling a contract award made upon a bid which carried conditional features of acceptance. The Court says that a proposal with any conditional provisions is really no bid at all, but an offer based upon a matter of choice. This decision affects a very common form of building proposal and puts a clearly defined legal view upon bids of the conditional class.

In the particular case brought before the Court, the contract award for a new school building at North Bergen was considered. The local Board of Education recently advertised for bids for the erection of this structure, the specifications including ten separate items, among which the concrete and masonry work were listed as individual features of bidding.

The successful bidder, in the judgment of the school board, entered bids for two items of \$9,500 and \$56,880, in order mentioned, or a total of \$66,380; the bid included a stipulation that the first figure for concrete work was conditional on obtaining the contract for both items, and if the contract for both items was not awarded, the sum of \$1,000 should be added to the bid for concrete work, making a total of \$10,500 for this item. The next bidder submitted a proposal of \$55,913.77 for masonry work and no bid for concrete construction. The sum of this bid and the separate bid for concrete (\$10,500) totaled \$66,413.77, or more than the entire proposal of the first bidder. Accordingly, the board awarded the contract to the contractor submitting the conditional bid.

In the Court's decision it is set forth that the successful bid by this action of the school board was not, in truth, the low bidder, and that this bid, not being legal, makes necessary the cancellation of the contract award.

Newark, N. J.

MACHINE WOODWORKING

How to Build a Roll-Top Desk

A USEFUL AND INTERESTING PIECE OF WORK FOR THE POWER CABINET SHOP

By Hugh H. Chambers

Power Shop Craftsman, Mahonington, Pa.

IT is essential that the wood used in making a piece of furniture be put in the best possible condition for painting, because if it is not an unsatisfactory job is sure to result. No matter how careful one may be in the fitting and putting together or how beautiful the growth may be, if the cleaning or dressing is not thoroughly done disappointment will be the result.

The wood should be gone over carefully with a smoothing plane, then a cabinet scraper, next No. 1½ sand-paper, and finally with No. 0. This should all be done before any part of the building of the piece is begun except, in making the desk, the parts that are glued together should be planed off after they are put together in order to smooth off any joints that may not be even.

The desk herein described is made of oak and while of an imposing appearance can be made by any man possessing an ordinary kit of carpenter tools. The first thing to do is to cut the pieces for the top and the writing bed one inch longer than the finished desk, in this case 63 inches. This is to allow for the final dressing. The 14-inch piece on the extreme top is made of two 7-inch boards jointed to a perfect fit. Three dowel pins are put in an equal distance apart, then glue it up and let it stand in the clamps for 24 hours. The part just above the drawers is 26 inches wide; to make it, proceed as above. These should be made first and laid inside so that the glue will be dry when they are needed.



Serviceable Roll-Top Desk Made in Author's Shop at Mahonington, Pa.

Next make the lower section; this is made by first cutting four pieces $\frac{7}{8} \times 1\frac{1}{2} \times 30$ inches and seven pieces of the same material 12 inches long. This is nailed, as shown on the detail, between the 30-inch pieces between the drawers on one side and between the door and drawer on the other side also at the top and bottom of each section.

Next the end sections are made by first cutting two pieces of 1×10 19 inches long, and three pieces of $\frac{1}{2} \times 4$ 30 inches long. Lay the two pieces of 1×10 upon the bench $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches apart and nail the piece of $\frac{1}{2} \times 4$ upon the 1×10 allowing $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch lap upon the 1×10 . Then put a piece of $\frac{1}{2} \times 4$ upon each side, allowing them $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch lap. The other end is made the same way.

Now take the top and mark 30 inches each way from the center and mark square each end upon what will be the under side when finished. Now measure in $14\frac{5}{8}$ inches from the marks, and square across and fasten on a piece of soft wood $\frac{7}{8} \times 2$ to nail the $\frac{3}{8}$ oak flooring or ceiling to. After this is done, set up the end section and nail down through the top into it. After this is put on each end square them up and brace them temporarily putting the brace upon the back. Then put the front section on, nailing it into the side section also through the top.

Now the short pieces marked A A A can be cut and nailed into place keeping the lower ones up from the bottom $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Now the back can be lined up with $\frac{3}{8}$ y. p. ceiling or $\frac{3}{8}$ flooring. The yellow pine is much cheaper than the oak and can be stained and filled so that it will match the oak nicely. After the back is lined, nail a piece of soft wood across the bottom plumb down from the one that is nailed on the top. Now the inside can be lined; after the lining is put on, the base, marked B, can be put on. This is made of 1×5 beveled off to a 45-degree angle on top. If the back is paneled and finished this can be run as far as the back comes and a mitre cut on it there. If the back is not to be finished, it can be cut off square. Where the desk is to be used for home use or set up against the wall it is immaterial whether it is finished with panel work or not; if not paneled it should be closed with $\frac{3}{8}$ ceiling.

Next, the drawer slides can be put in. These are made as shown on detail. Now we are ready for the top. First take a piece of $1\frac{1}{8} \times 10$ and saw two pieces as shown on detail marked C, after this is done rip them in two. This will make four pieces $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch thick. Now take two of them and saw them as shown at D to make a track for the top to run in. When these are put in place they should be kept $\frac{7}{8}$ of an inch apart. The top section is now made by gluing and doweling three pieces of 1×10 together, then putting on the piece marked C and cutting off to the edge of this, then the $\frac{1}{2} \times 4$ is put on as shown on the detail. Around the circular places mould should be worked out by hand or

of a shaper to fit. It can be kerfed, but does not make a first class job. After these end sections are made they are put on; then the back is put in of two pieces of 1 x 8 oak cut 55 inches long. The roller for the top is now put in; this is a round piece 3 inches in diameter and 55 inches long; two hard wood pins are put in the ends of this to turn in the bearings which are also made of hardwood 2 inches wide, 4 inches long, and 1/2-inch thick, with depression in top for roller.

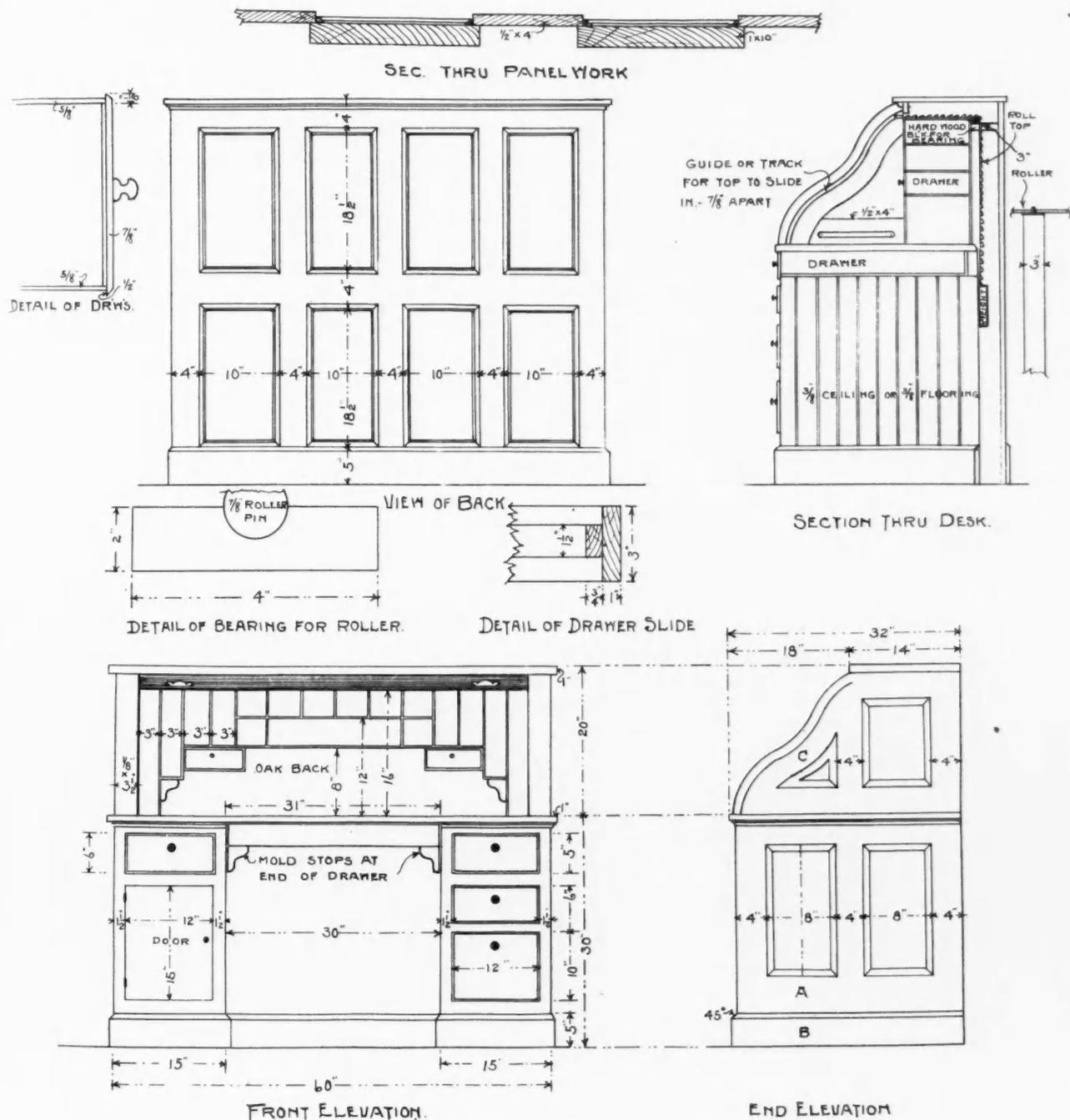
Then the top is put on and nailed down through into the end sections; after this is done the pigeon holes are made and set in as shown on the detail. After this is done two pieces of 3/8 x 3 1/2 are glued in place on the end sections as shown on the detail; these cover the ends of the pieces used in the end sections and give it a finished appearance.

For the roll-top take a piece of heavy canvas and on one edge glue and tack well a piece of 7/8 x 2 5/4 inches long. Then glue and tack the 7/8 x 1/2-inch strips on it, keeping them 1/8 of an inch apart, after this is made it should be

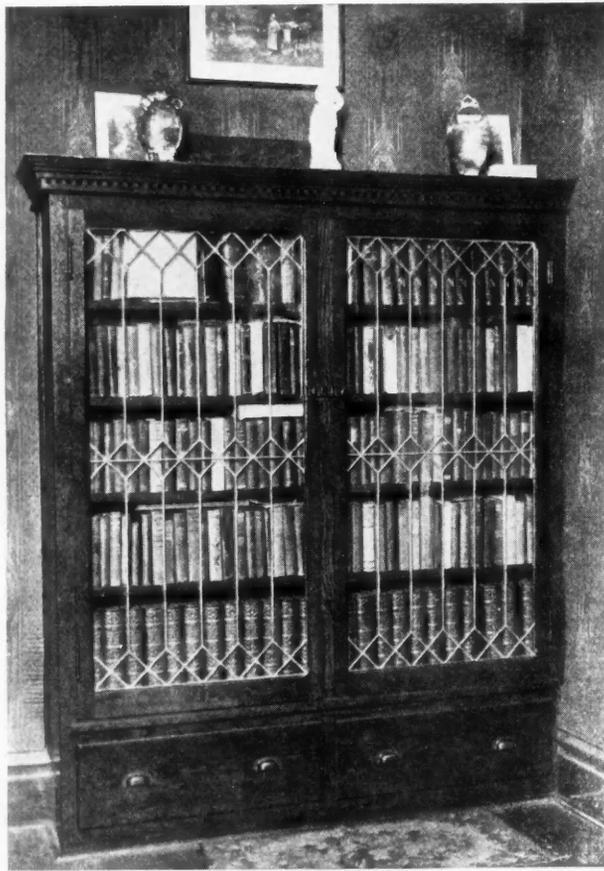
weighed and two weights, each one one-half the weight of the top should be attached to the back edge. The top is now slid through over roller from the back towards the front, and after it is in the handles are put on. These are made by turning out a piece one-half of which is shown on the detail and ripping it in two to make the two handles. The drawers are now made as shown on the detail. The heads are 7/8 oak and the rest are white pine 5/8 inch thick.

The door is made of oak, the slide stiles are 1 1/2 x 1 1/8 and the bottom rail 2 1/2 x 1 1/8, the top and bottom rail are mortised into the side stiles, before putting together the rails and stiles are plowed 1/4 inch deep and 1/4 inch deep for the panel which is put in before it is glued up. The brackets under center drawer are made of 7/8 oak, as shown on detail; the ones above are of 5/8 material.

In the desk I made for my own use the drawer on the left hand side is divided into four compartments and is used for valuable papers such as insurance policies, etc.; it is also fitted with lock.



Dimensioned Working Drawings of Roll-Top Desk Illustrated on Opposite Page.



Neat Book Case, with Leaded Glass Doors, Made by the Author.

The compartment below it, with door on it, is used for catalogs. The large drawer in the center is used for drawing paper, sketches, etc. All the drawers except this one are fitted with wood knobs. The two small drawers above are used for stamps and stationary.

In building this desk a better job can be had by raising a small shaving for each nail, and after driving the nail gluing the shaving down again. However, good results can be had by using putty if care is taken in coloring it to match the color of the wood. In using the paste filler it is put on, allowed to stand a short time and rubbed off, the

varnish should be put on for at least twenty-four hours after it has been filled and should be allowed to stand for at least thirty-six hours between coats.

Below is list of material and cost:

32 ft. $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4.	
18 ft. 1 x 4.	
35 ft. 1 x 10.	OAK.
30 ft. $1\frac{1}{8}$ x 10.	
32 ft. panel mould.	
36 pieces $\frac{7}{8}$ x $\frac{1}{2}$ 54 inches long, to make the roll top.	
1 piece, $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch thick, 13 inches wide, 18 inches long, for door panel.	
16 ft. 1 x $1\frac{1}{2}$.	
20 ft. $\frac{3}{8}$ y. p. ceiling.	
36 ft. $\frac{5}{8}$ w. p. for drawers and pigeon holes.	
If back is not paneled deduct 11 ft. of 1 x 10 and add 30 ft. $\frac{3}{8}$ y. p. ceiling.	\$12.00
Hardware and paint:	
1 lb. dark oak filler.	
1 pt. varnish.	
$1\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. 8d. finish nails.	
1 lb. $\frac{7}{8}$ brads.	
1 pr. $2\frac{1}{2}$ x $2\frac{1}{2}$ brass hinges.	
1 drawer lock.	
1 pt. liquid glue.	
$1\frac{3}{4}$ yards of heavy canvas.	3.00

Total cost\$15.00
If back is not paneled, deduct from above price.....\$ 1.35

In regard to securing work I have never yet found it necessary to go out and solicit. I depend wholly on courteous treatment, work well done, and a reasonable price to keep the shop supplied with work. Must say it has never been idle very long. During the winter months, when there is not much of a demand for furniture, I utilize the time for getting out stock for swings, screen doors and window screens, then when an order comes in for such things it is a small matter to cut to size and put together. In this way a lot of time is saved, for it is almost certain that there will be a demand for window screens and screen doors in the early part of the summer, and they all want them in a hurry.

In this business as well as in many others the credit system is a bugbear; however, this is partially done away with by allowing a 5 per cent discount for cash. The loss so far has been very small, never over 5 per cent of value of work turned out.

Cost Reducing Dry Kilns Built of Hollow Tile

By Edwin G. Zorn

THE far West as a lumber producing center is familiar to nearly every user of that material. Washington and Oregon, particularly, furnish a large portion of the annual lumber production in the United States; and so the cutting and drying of green timber is an important industry in those states. It naturally follows that the construction and operation of dry kilns has furnished a subject for considerable study and experiment in this region, the results of which are of more than passing interest to the man who works in wood.

Various kiln designs built of different kinds of material have been tried with varying success, but the most striking results have been obtained with the hollow tile kiln, the number of which is rapidly grow-

ing in the Northwest.

The accompanying illustration shows a typical north coast dry kiln built for the Mineral Lake Lumber Co., at Mineral, Wash. Its walls are constructed of hollow clay building tile eight inches in thickness with 12 inch pilasters, and laid on a concrete foundation. This is the third installation of this type of kiln made by this company and in each case experience has proven this construction to be entirely satisfactory.

In dry kilns as usually constructed there is a large amount of heat wasted due to poor design and loose construction of walls. But the escaping heat is not the only loss suffered in the use of poorly built kilns. The very fact that the heat in the kiln is constantly passing through its walls means an uneven temperature



Hollow Tile Dry Kiln of the Mineral Lake Lumber Co., Mineral, Wash.

on the inside, which in turn, results in checked lumber and a longer drying period, owing to the operator's inability to get the maximum good out of the heat available.

In a kiln the walls of which are built of hollow tile, the insulating air spaces in the tile act as a barrier to the passage of heat through its walls by radiation, thus producing an even temperature on the inside with a minimum expenditure of heat. It has been found that lumber dries very quickly in a kiln of this type with the smallest amount of checking.

Not only does hollow tile make a money-saving dry kiln construction but it also gives a fireproof structure, an advantage not to be undervalued in a lumber yard. That this feature is worthy of consideration was demonstrated a few years ago at the yards of the Baker White Pine Lumber Co. at Baker, Ore. This company has a kiln built of hollow tile and located in the southeast corner of its dry sheds which cover three and one-half acres of ground and in which were piled at the time in question a million and a half feet of select lumber. A fire started in this lumber with the wind blowing from the north and almost directly over the kiln. Although the flames completely enveloped this structure, it suffered no damage beyond two warped blocks and a badly scorched roof, which was covered with a patent roofing. Meanwhile on the inside of the kiln, the thermometer registered 192 degrees and no damage whatever was suffered by the lumber which was drying there.

So successful has been the use of hollow tile in the construction of dry kilns in the Northwest, that the insurance companies of Washington now allow a base rate on these structures when built of this material, the lowest rate being allowed on eight-inch tile walls with pilasters, or on thirteen-inch solid walls.



Off Days

EVERY person who has the natural powers of observation has before now had what is called "Blue Monday" or "off day" or "Black Friday," etc. This is not a myth; neither is it the result of reverse imagi-

nation; it is a cold, well-founded fact. Some days everything a fellow does seems to bring rosy results; other days will have the reverse jammed down so tight the wheels will spit fire.

For instance, take a man on a building or a man in a shop. It may be not only his first day, but it may be his "off day." He will lose his rule, break his chisel, spoil a job or two, upset something, and numerous other miscues. The foreman who is seldom in a position to tolerate too much of this jinx business will come to the conclusion that the new man isn't worth the room he takes up, and fires him. At the same time, this fellow may be an excellent mechanic; in fact, one who would prove worthy of his hire. I have known of similar cases, and so have you, Mr. Reader. We all have our right-hand and left-hand days.

Some men are so well taken care of by the Goddess of Luck, they could put in eight or nine hours at causing vacuums and get paid for overtime; others could work so fast they would set a stick afire from friction, and would be docked if they stopped to scratch their head for an idea. I suppose there is some long drawn out answer to this; but I am not in a position or condition to bore for it.

Take, as an example, the pair of fellows that are having a talk fest. The boss rolls around the corner unexpectedly. One of the stereotyped tricks is to pretend you are looking for something; another, he was talking about the *work*; in fact, a fellow becomes an inventor so quick he surprises himself. In the meantime the boss is imitating the glue-pot—he is getting to the boiling point. Some men don't budge, but carry the loaferino to an end, boss or no boss. I have had the opportunity of playing all three parts in such a drama. Drama is too mild for the case—tragedy is better, with the boss in the role as villain.

There are days when a man will work to a firm's interest; everything he does counts on the profit page. Other days he can't get his rudder straight all day. This is not only the case in a shop or on a building, but in an office. Some days the sunlight will penetrate the windows of an office and reflect success and good cheer in chunks as large as a brewery. The click of a typewriter sounds like a Wagnerian composition played on a harp with strings of radium. Other days the boss and all others feel as though they were buried head down in an avalanche of Chicago River mud.

The foregoing only goes to prove that we are but human, and to put up with each other's shortcomings and mishaps is the Keystone in the Arch of Good Fellowship, and the good ship Golden Rule, safe in the harbor of Human Nature. WM. C. JASBURY.



New Use for Cap and Gown

"Some newfangled scarecrow you have in the fields, Hiram?" "No, that's my son. He insists on wearing his cap and gown while hoeing potatoes. He was graduated from an agricultural college, you know."—*Boston Transcript*.

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.

Wants "Boss Carpenter" in Book Form

To the Editor: Fayetteville, Tenn.
A thought has come to me many times as I have read the "A. C. & B." the last three years; namely, that it would be a very good plan if you would publish the "Noon Hour Talks by the Boss Carpenter" in book form when these talks are completed. It would be very handy as a reference book.

I studied structural engineering for some time under one of the chief engineers of a large firm in New York City; but my instructions were nowhere near as clear as those given by the "Boss Carpenter."

If one wants to get any information now as to what the "Boss Carpenter" had to say relative to a certain condition, one has to look thru some thirty-seven copies of the "A. C. & B." to find it.

CHAS. E. MORRELL, JR.

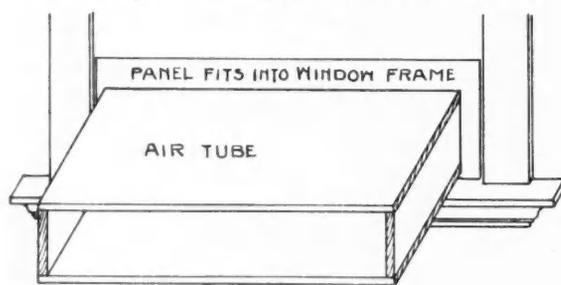


A Food Cooler

To the Editor: Harwich, Mass.

One of the most unique kitchen appliances I have ever seen was a food cooler made from an old commode. It was so arranged that with proper adjustment eatables could be kept at a very low temperature even though the whole arrangement remained in a hot kitchen day and night. The construction was as follows:

An opening was cut in the back directly opposite the rear panel of the top drawer and of like dimensions. Then the



Construction of Air Tube, Showing Panel Fitting Into Window Frame.

bottoms of all the drawers were removed and heavy galvanized screening (about one-half inch mesh) was cut to size and fastened in their places. To make these wire bottoms more secure a couple of wooden strips were nailed across the bottom on the under side of each drawer. Through the partition separating the row of small drawers from the empty compartments was bored a dozen or more half-inch holes. Then the whole interior, including the drawers, were given two coats of white enamel. The outside was also enameled, although that of course is optional.

Next, an air-tube in the shape of a flat box open at both

ends was built to fit exactly the opening in the rear of the commode; the opposite end being fitted to an opening in a panel which in turn was made to fit snugly in the window-frame and down on the window-sill. The panel also butted close against the bottom of the lower sash for which purpose the metal finger holds wear removed. This exposed end of the tube was covered with netting to exclude all dirt and foreign matter. The length of the tube depends upon the distance the commode has to be placed from the window.

Thus it will be readily seen that with the window raised the desired distance, a current of cool air is induced to circulate through the entire compartment and effectively cools the contents in winter weather.

L. B. ROBBINS.



Another Fast Shingler

To the Editor: Bellingham, Wash.

I read with interest the letters from some of your readers about fast shingling. If they would come out to the coast for one or two seasons, they would get their eyes opened. I don't doubt what Mr. Pierce says at all, about his fast shingling. My partner, Mr. W. S. Baker, was a shingler by trade before he took up carpentry work steady, and I have seen him put on one bunch in thirteen minutes. He can put on good, clear shingles at the rate of one thousand per hour all day long, putting two nails in each one.

We have built seven or eight houses this summer, and have shingled everyone in eight hours, with the exception of two. We put on one roof requiring 12½ thousand shingles in seven hours, and they were second grade shingles, only 10 inches clear. We just finished a play shed at Marietta School that required 14½ thousand shingles, and they had to be nailed with 3d galvanized nails, and this was completed in nine hours.

I can put on six thousand in eight hours; and I don't claim to be a shingler either. Baker will carry eight courses thru at once. He has a seat that he straps right on his leg so he does not lose any time in moving about. He places his shingles right where he wants them, then he breaks a bunch and takes half of it and places it where he can reach it easily, and he never moves more than twice during the whole time. I always divide my bunches like Mr. Pierce says he does, and I find it very convenient. I only carry six courses thru at once.

This has been a good year for us. We started in January and have been busy ever since. We have built eight residences, the most of them five-room bungalows, one addition to a school, one play shed for the school children, and now have a brick block under way. We have furnished our own plans on all but the school addition, play house and block.

Yours for better building,

GEO. A. BROCK, of

Brock & Baker, Contractors.

Double Scribing Gauge

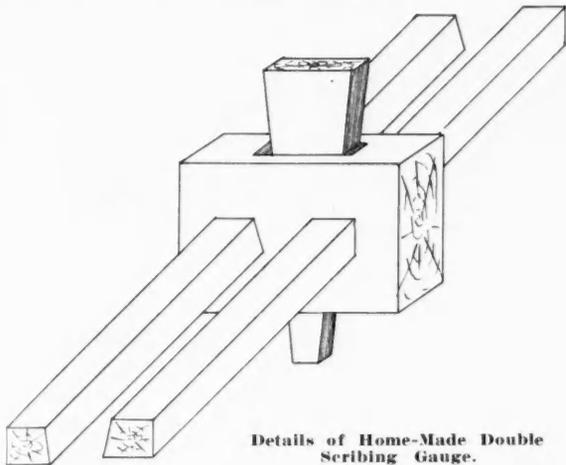
To the Editor:

Houston, Texas.

This is a very handy gauge for the carpenter and it can be made very easily by any mechanic. It works from both sides and can be made from any kind of hard wood. Walnut is the best, as it stands more wear than any other wood.

The block is 1 inch by 2 inches by 3 inches long. A hole is mortised in the center of the edge 5/16 inch wide by 1 5/16 inch long at the top and 3/4 inch at the bottom.

On the flat side put two holes to take the scribing sticks. These holes are 3/4 inch from the top and bottom and 9/16 inch from the ends. They are 11/16 inch apart at the top of the hole and 5/8 inch at the bottom. They are 1/2 inch



Details of Home-Made Double Scribing Gauge.

high, 9/16 inch wide at the top and 5/8 inch at the bottom. The wedge is 5/16 inch thick, 1 1/8 inch wide at the top and 3/8 inch wide at the bottom and 4 inches long.

The two sticks are made the same size as the holes in the block and are 8 inches long. Drive a brad at one end of each stick and file it to a point as a marker. The two sticks are to fit the holes snug and when they are set, tap the wedge a little and it will hold the sticks as tight as any screw and there is no danger of ripping the threads on the screw.

The sketch shows the tool complete, all ready to use. It is one originated in the old country and found to be equal to any wood scribing gauge. There are but few made in this country and one in each carpenter's tool box will be greatly appreciated.

CHAS. SCHADEL.



Fast Work Laying Concrete Blocks

To the Editor:

Humboldt, Iowa.

In your October number I read an article about a carpenter, Mr. Pierce, who can put on a thousand shingles in fifty minutes, and Mr. Towne, also a carpenter, who can put on a thousand in forty-eight minutes. I was telling this to a carpenter and he remarked that he would have to see it before he could believe it, and wanted to know what I thought. I told him that I had to believe it because I knew some mechanics who were very fast in some certain line of their trade; but the carpenter could not believe it.

My trade is masonry work; any kind, such as stone, brick, block and all kinds of concrete work. I was laying cement blocks on the same barn as this man was, and he asked me how many blocks a man could lay in a day. I told him that I could not answer him, as he would not believe me. I had 160 blocks 8 by 8 by 16 inches to lay at one o'clock, and I told him at that time if he wanted to go to town at four o'clock, to be ready. He only laughed at me, but when three-thirty o'clock came, I told him I was ready. Well,

he said, "that means that you can lay 600 in ten hours." And that is what I do.

I have just completed another barn, 40 by 70 with 18-foot side walls and two hip roof gable ends, in ten days, or 600 blocks for ten days straight with two tenders on first story, three on second story, and four on gable ends.

J. H. MAYER, Pres.,

Humboldt Cement Products Mfg. Co.



North Carolina Brick Cottage

To the Editor:

Hendersonville, N. C.

The illustrations accompanying this letter show a five-room brick bungalow that I have erected in the town of Brevard, N. C., for Mr. Branch Tinsley.

The walls are made of common brick which is laid in back mortar 5/8 of an inch thick. The joints are raked out to a depth of 1/2 inch. The brick walls are made twelve inches thick with an air space between to keep out moisture and



Floor Plan and Arrangement of House, 30 by 32 Feet, Built by J. V. Allen.

dampness. The exterior trim is of concrete, and the roof is made from Edwards Spanish metal tile.

The wood work is of North Carolina pine. All that is used on the outside is painted white and the interior is stained in mission. The cost was between \$2,000 and \$2,300.

J. V. ALLEN,
Contractor.



Mr. Branch Tinsley's House at Brevard, N. C., as Completed.

Cork Top for Concrete Floor

To the Editor: Tiskilwa, Ill.
Can you tell me how to put in concrete floor with cork top for a gymnasium in school? If so, I would like very much to know how it is done.

E. A. KENNEY,
Contractor and Builder.

Answer—Regarding a concrete floor with a cork top, your subscriber undoubtedly refers to a floor of concrete on which is laid either Nonpareil cork tiling or Linotile.

Nonpareil cork tiling is made of cork shavings compressed in tile form and may be laid over any smooth base. Linotile is a composition of ground cork, linseed oil, and the necessary color ingredients. It is also supplied in tile form and is installed in the same manner as Nonpareil cork tile. Linotile is sold through our branch offices and agents, while Nonpareil cork tiling is handled exclusively by Messrs. David E. Kennedy, Inc., New York City.

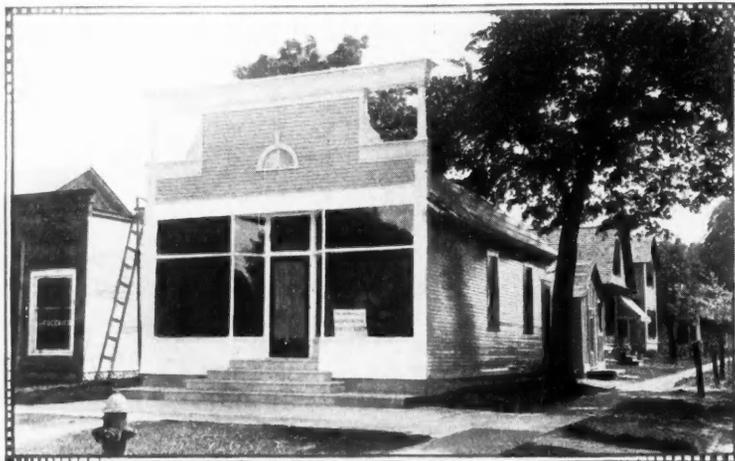
ARMSTRONG CORK COMPANY.

Pittsburgh, Pa.



Wants House Moving Articles

To the Editor: Dexter, Mo.
I subscribed for your paper the first of this year. I am a carpenter that is specializing in house moving, and I hoped



Remodeled Front, Showing Broad Windows and Pleasant Entrance.

to see something on this subject in your magazine. But, up to the present time I have seen very little on this subject, outside of some one that had something to sell. Is there no demand? Does no one wish to read articles on this subject? Do you publish a book or know of any one who does, on house moving? I like to read your magazine, and look at the advertisements, but that is not of much value to me.

Since I subscribed for your magazine, I have raised two houses and put concrete foundations under them, and have moved six houses and ten barns; so you see this is quite a live subject with me. This is not quite up to my regular rate of moving for the last 18 years.

The object of this letter is to get something started in the house-moving line. I would not mind telling how I do some things, if some one else would tell a little more.

J. E. STONE.

Suggests Boys' Department

To the Editor: Vernon, B. C., Canada.
I think if you instituted a Boys' Section (perhaps a couple of pages), fine drawings and specifications of simple articles that boys could make for ornamental uses, and which would add to the comfort of their homes, you would encourage a great number of embryo carpenters. Boys from ten to sixteen years old are very keen to make—wheelbarrows, dump-carts and bobsleds for their own pleasure, and wood and coal boxes, ironing boards, box foot-stools, etc., for presents. I know you have fine plans of furniture, book-cases, etc., which have been highly appreciated, but many of these have been beyond the average boy.

I must thank you for the many pleasant hours spent in reading the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, and trust you will long continue to publish such a clean, useful and entertaining publication.

CHRIS. B. L. LEFROY.



Remodeling a Village Store

To the Editor: Fremont, Ohio.
I am sending you two photos of a small store building before and after remodeling. You will see by this how much good I have received from just one of the detail plate designs taken from your book, called "Radford's Details of Building Construction." The ideas I have used here are found on page 104, Plate 94. This makes a very neat little store building. Everyone here likes it.

CHAS. T. ROYCE,
Contractor and Builder.



Dark and Unattractive Front of Store Building Before Remodeling.

Cobblestone Fireplace in Frame House

To the Editor: Munro Falls, O.
If it is not asking too much, I would like a little information regarding a fireplace I wish to put in a house that I am building. The fireplace is to burn wood and is to be built of field stone or hard heads, with a wood top or shelf. The chimney is supposed to be outside, not showing upstairs, and to be built of brick. I want to get all the heat possible, and yet not smoke the room. The house is to be frame-sided with drop siding, no sheathing.

I would like to know how the woodwork, such as the frame

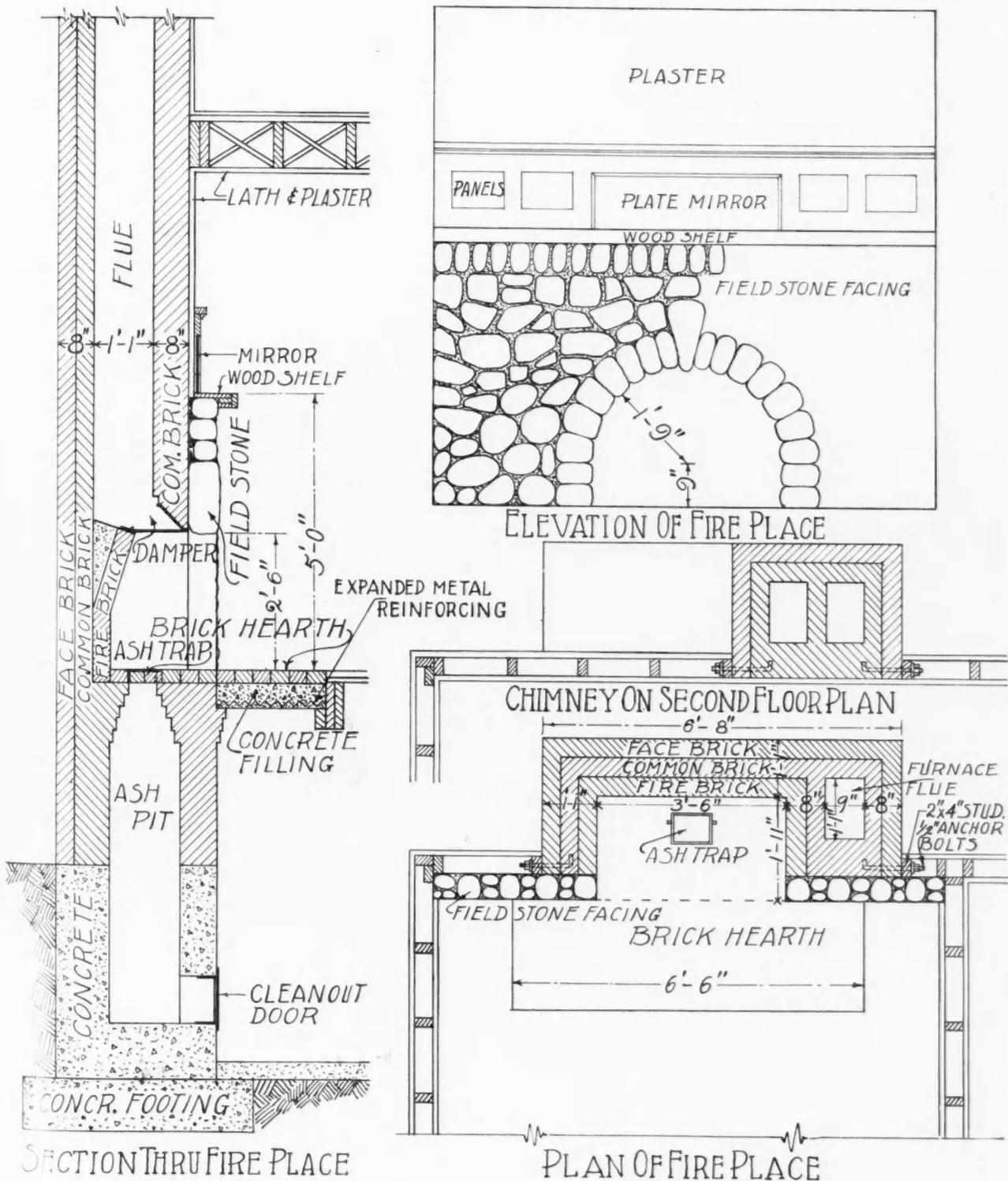
and siding, is joined to the brick to make a tight job. The room is to be 20 feet by 9 feet 3 inches wide. I would like to have you show me a plan and elevation, and dimensions of how this should be put in. Kindly give me details of how it should be at the joints between brick and wood. Show plan, section and elevation to give best results.

If there will be any charges on this, please let me know by return mail, and I will forward same. I am a reader of your valuable magazine, the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER.

E. J. SPRIGGEL,
Contractor and Builder.

Answer—Here is a sketch showing details of this proposition. There is no charge for this service. We are glad of the opportunity of assisting our readers. You will see that a vertical section thru the foundation, ash pit, and flue is presented; also plan view of fireplace, showing cross section and details of construction. Cross section of the chimney at the second floor line is also given. Note that this is an exterior brick chimney tied to the framework of a house by means of anchor bolts.

The elevation of the fireplace and mantel shows a harmonious design using field stone. EDITOR.



Details of Construction of Fireplace Built with Field Stone Face.

To Prevent Frosting of Store Windows

To the Editor:

Borill, Idaho.

I would like to bother you for a little information if I can. I would like to know how to keep show windows from frosting. I put up several store building and their show windows are inclosed from the store room; the idea is to keep the glass from frosting so you can see everything that is in the show window from the outside.

Is there any way of ventilating it from the outside without spoiling the looks of the front, and keep the frost off the plate glass? If so, I would be very thankful for your information.

WM. B. BOLL.

Answer—The general recommendation of manufacturers who furnish material for show window construction is to provide plenty of openings for the entrance of cold air around the sash which holds the glass, and to shut off the show window from the interior of the store by means of a very tight boxed effect. In order to accomplish this result the floor and walls should be double, having a good quantity of building paper between. If glass is used in the partition, it should be set with putty and not with wood stops for the reason that if wood stops are used they soon warp and shrink away from the glass so that it rattles and the enclosure is not tight. If there is to be a door entering the show window, from the store, as most always is the case, this door should be double rabbeted, the same as in the construction of an icebox, using rubber weather strips around the opening.

There are times during the fall and spring months when a show window, even if properly ventilated and enclosed, is

filled with cold, damp air. If a sudden drop of temperature strikes the glass it will cause the moisture in the show window to frost before the air from the outside has had time to enter and take up this moisture.

A continuance of the cold, however, will cause the frost to disappear and the windows to remain clear.

EDITOR.



Well Built Two-Story Corn Crib

To the Editor:

St. Anne, Ill.

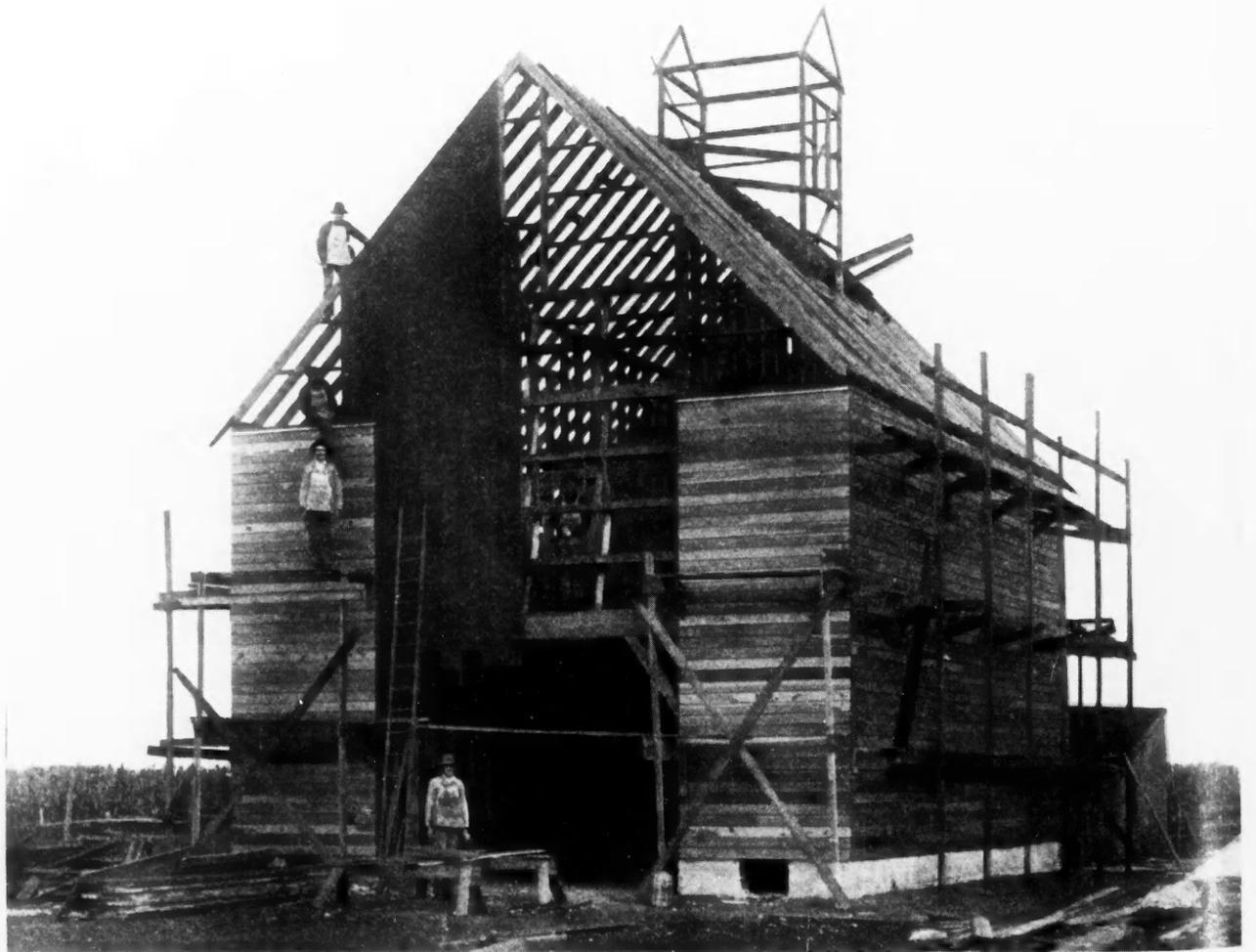
Enclosed you will find a photo of a large corner crib under construction. Its dimensions are as follows: 44 feet long, 22 feet high to the plate, 15-foot driveway and 8-foot cribs.

This is the second of a series of three that I am building this fall, as will be seen from the illustration. I believe in strong construction, the studdings are 2 by 8 inches, and the granary joists are 2 by 14's, triple and bolted together, the center one being in the form of bridge work and dovetailed into the studding. The crib floors are of concrete with iron sockets for studs and dragbelt down the center for shelling.

On account of a delay in the making of the foundation, I was obliged to frame all of this building beforehand. All of the timbers were framed and put in sections and painted ready to be raised before the foundation was made. Five men were at work four days to accomplish the work shown in the illustration from the time the first section was raised.

DESIRE J. KERGER,

Carpenter and Contractor.



Large Two-Story Corn Crib Built at St. Anne, Ill., by Desire J. Kerger. All Timbers Framed, Painted and Then Raised in the Construction.



Model Lumber Shed of R. J. Corlett & Sons, Hillsdale, Mich.
Dimensions 101 by 185 Feet.

A Model Lumber Yard

To the Editor: Hillsdale, Mich.

At Hillsdale, Mich., there is a lumber yard all under cover except the railway track.

It is one of the six yards owned by Robert J. Corlett & Sons.

The covered lumber yard is 101 feet in width by 185 feet in length, enclosed by heavy brick walls 12 feet high built on a solid foundation of concrete.

The yard is covered with a roof of the monitor type, with plenty of windows in the monitor, which throw a cross light down into each side of the building. The light penetrates across and down into each lumber pocket so that the big shed is light enough to show the different grades of lumber even on cloudy days.

An electric lighting system extends clear around the driveway with 16 candle-power lamps placed at intervals of 20 feet. The wires are run through half-inch gas pipes with a T-coupling to connect each light bulb.

This precaution is to prevent the wires from coming in contact with the woodwork and causing fire. Incidentally, it helps to lower the insurance rate.

The shed contains 67 lumber pockets 10 feet wide each, reaching inward 16 feet from the wall on both sides of the shed to the driveway. Next to the lumber pockets are the driveways, 17 feet wide, which leaves 32 feet in width for the center part of the building.

This center, or monitor section of the building really is the main feature because of the convenient manner in which it is arranged.

The front, or street end of this center section, contains rather a spacious office which is divided into two rooms with the front door opening onto the street. There are two side halls with doors opening into the two side driveways of the shed, as shown in the floor plan.

Under the office is the steam heating plant which keeps the office comfortable in winter.

Over the office is a shop for cutting glass, for glazing, window screens, farm gates, and for doing repair jobs. The shop is well lighted in front and at the sides.

The whole center section of the big shed is floored above the lumber piles, and is used for the storage of sash and

doors, all sorts of mouldings and battens and other light stuff of many kinds and varieties.

The roof boards are laid diagonally across the rafters for additional strength. On the roof boards is laid a covering of fire-proof granite slate roofing.

The side walls are of brick, 12 feet high. The sides of the monitor hip is 18 feet high, and the peak is 28 feet above ground.

To build this shed, Mr. Corlett used 800 barrels of cement, 300 loads of gravel 160 M. brick and 150 M. feet of lumber. It took 300 squares of roofing to cover it, and two tons of nails to hold it together.

As it now stands, the shed has a holding capacity of two million feet of lumber.

HERBERT SHEARER.



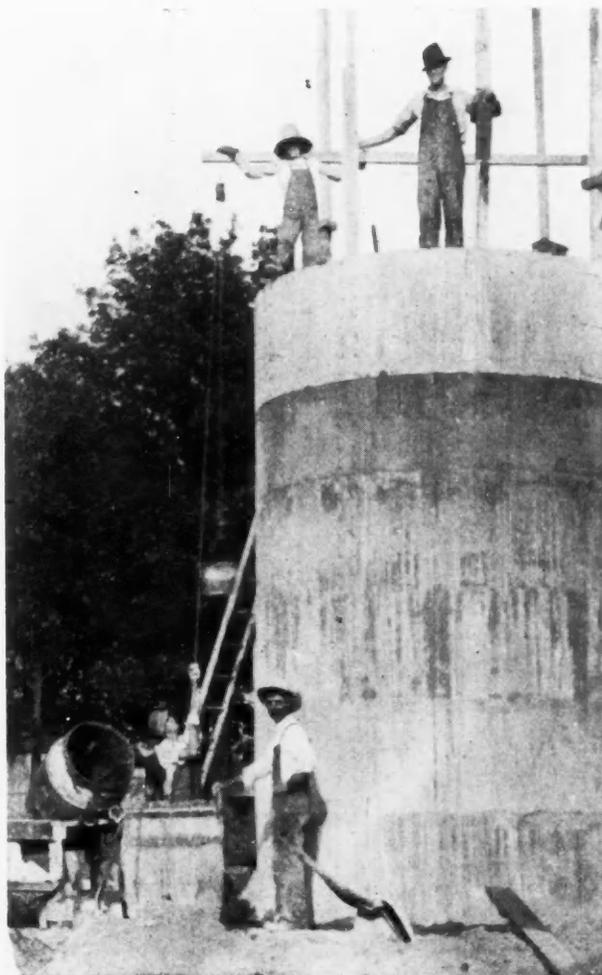
Cement Silo Work

To the Editor:

Rose Lawn, Ind.

This is a picture of a cement silo, and my crew at work on it. It is built on the farm of Fred Nelson, near the town of Rose Lawn, Ind. We are using home-made forms.

V. D. McCORD.



Cement Silo Built with Home Made Forms and Mixer by V. D. McCord, Rose Lawn, Ind.

Bill of Material and Design of Alberta Home

To the Editor: Nanton, Alberta, Canada.
As I have never seen any buildings shown in your paper from Alberta, I am sending you a picture of a house that I built in the country a year ago. The plans were taken from your book, "Radford's Estimating and Contracting."

HENRY GAHN.

The bill of materials used in this house should be of interest to our readers. It is reprinted here as it appeared in "Radford's Estimating and Contracting":

Timber, Lumber, Lath, etc.

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| 105—2x8x14 ft. No. 1 pine. | 8—2x 4x16 Sel. common S2S. |
| 12—2x8x16 ft. No. 1 pine. | 1—2x 6x16 Sel. common S2S. |
| 115—2x4x16 ft. No. 1 pine. | 5—1x 4x16 Sel. common S2S. |
| 25—2x2x14 ft. No. 1 pine. | 15 1/2 M. red cedar shingles. |
| 20—2x6x14 ft. No. 1 pine. | 9 1/2 M. common No. 1 lath. |
| 155—2x4x18 ft. No. 1 pine. | 3,540 ft. No. 3 shiplap, 12-14-16. |
| 85—2x4x12 ft. No. 1 pine. | 2,000 ft. No. 2 pine sheathing, 12x14. |
| 2—6x8x14 ft. No. 1 pine. | 1,800 ft. flooring maple, oak, and yellow pine. |
| 2—2x6x16 ft. No. 1 pine. | 200 ft. porch flooring, 7/8x4x14, fir. |
| 400 ft. No. 1 common pine S2S, 1x10x16. | 1,900 ft. 4-in. sugar pine lap siding. |
| 300 ft. No. 1 common pine, S2S, 1x6x16. | 600 ft. 3/4-in. yellow pine ceiling. |
| 5—1 1/4 x 10x12 C finish. | 253 ft. 3 3/4-in. crown molding. |
| 2—1 1/4 x 8x12 C finish. | 400 ft. 2 1/4-in. bed molding. |
| 3—1 1/4 x 6x12 C finish. | 200 ft. 7/8x1 1/4 cove molding. |
| 22—1x 8x16 Sel. common S2S. | 200 ft. screen molding. |
| 2—1x12x14 Sel. common S2S. | 100 ft. 7/8 quarter-mold. |
| 1—1x12x16 Sel. common S2S. | |
| 16—1x10x16 Sel. common S2S. | |
| 5—1x 6x16 Sel. common S2S. | |

Window and Door Frames.

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| 4 window-frames, 2-10x5-2. | 3 frames, 20x24, 2 light. |
| 2 window-frames, 1-10x5-2. | 1 frame, 20x20, 2 light. |
| 1 window-frame, 3-8x5-2. | 2 outside door-frames, 3x7. |
| 1 window-frame, 4-0x5-2. | 1 outside door-frame, 2-8x6-8. |
| 2 triple window-frames, 18x20, 2 light. | |

Windows.

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| 6—18x20, 2-light D. S. windows. | 4—30x28, 2-light D. S. windows. |
| 2—18x28, 2-light D. S. windows. | 3—20x24, 2-light D. S. windows. |
| 1—26x20, 2-light D. S. window. | 1—20x20, 2-light D. S. window. |



House built in Alberta, Canada, by Henry Gahn.

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| 1—40x28, 2-light D. S. window. | 4—12x16, 2-light D. S. windows. |
| 2—44x32, 1-light D. S. windows. | |

Doors and Trim.

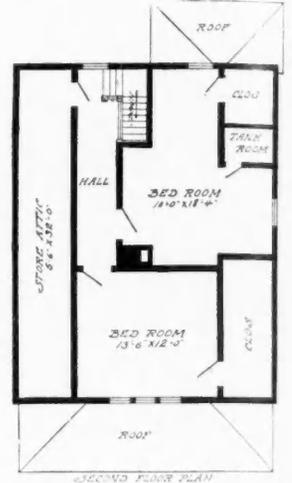
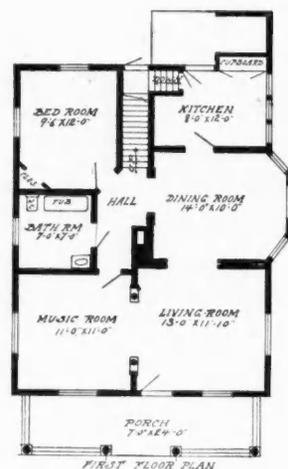
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| 1 front door, 3x7x1 3/4, bevel plate glass 24x40. | 560 ft. casing, No. 8310. |
| 1 door, 3x7x1 3/4. | 280 ft. embossed molding, No. 8413. |
| 1 door, 2-8x7x1 3/4. | 204 ft. cap molding, No. 8410. |
| 2 doors, 2-6x7x1 3/4. | 180 ft. head casing, No. 8411. |
| 2 doors, 2-4x7x1 3/4. | 180 ft. fillet, No. 8395. |
| 1 door, 2x7x1 3/4. | 50 base blocks, No. 2273. |
| 2 doors, 2-6x6-6x1 3/4. | 48 ft. window-stool, No. 8267. |
| 3 doors, 2-4x6-6x1 3/4. | 72 ft. window apron. |
| 1 door, 2x6-6x1 1/4. | 456 ft. window-stop, No. 8095. |
| 1 door, 2-8x6-8x1 3/4. | 4 porch columns, 8x8 ft., No. 1151. |
| 1 door, 5x7x1 3/4. | 2 colonnade posts, 5 ft. 6 in. base. |
| 1 door-jamb, 8x7 ft. | 50 balusters, 1 3/4 x 24 in., No. 2151. |
| 1 door-jamb, 5x7 ft. 3 in. | 1—1 1/4 x 8 ft. yellow pine. |
| 1 door-jamb, 5x7 ft. 5 in. | 1—1x10 in. x 16 ft. yellow pine. |
| 1 door-jamb, 5x7 ft. 5 1/2 in. | 3 cupboard doors, 1-8x4 ft. |
| 5 door-jamb, 2-8x7 ft. 5 1/2 in. | 2 cupboard doors, 1-8x2-6. |
| 2 door-jamb, 2-6x6-6 ft. 5 1/2 in. | |
| 428 ft. base molding, No. 8420. | |
| 428 ft. base, No. 8421. | |
| 428 ft. shore, No. 8422. | |

Foundation, Plaster, and Chimney.

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| 9 cords stone. | 11 bbls. lime. |
| 96 cement blocks. | 1 bbl. cement. |
| 47 sacks plaster. | 1,100 brick. |
| 8 yds. sand. | |

Hardware.

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| 100 lbs. 10 d. wire nails. | 1 single sliding-door outfit, 5 ft. opening. |
| 122 lbs. 8 d. wire nails. | 1 single sliding-door lock set. |
| 107 lbs. 20 d. wire nails. | 1 doz. cupboard catches. |
| 9 lbs. 6 d. wire nails. | 1 doz. sash-locks. |
| 62 lbs. 3 d. galvanized wire nails. | 1 doz. drawer-pulls. |
| 57 lbs. 3 d. finish nails. | 18 prs. door butts, 3 1/2 x 3 1/2. |



Floor Plans of House Built from Plans in "Radford's Estimating and Contracting."

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| 12 1/2 lbs. 10 d. casing nails. | 1 doz. fancy box hinges. |
| 53 lbs. 8 d. casing nails. | 3 doz. window springs. |
| 23 lbs. 8 d. fin. nails. | 1 pr. shelf brackets, 8x10. |
| 25 lbs. 7 d. box nails. | 1 pr. shelf brackets, 10x12. |
| 13 inside door lock sets. | 2 stovepipe thimbles. |
| 12 doz. 7/8 screws. | 7 10-ft. lengths eaves trough. |
| 2 1/2 lbs. 1-in. brads. | 4 pieces outlet. |
| 27 ft. valley tin, 14 in. | 6 end caps. |
| 32 window tins. | 8 eaves-trough elbows. |
| 176 tin shingles, 5x7. | 3 doz. eaves hangers. |
| 19 8-ft. lengths ridge-roll. | 5 pieces conductor pipe, 8 ft. |
| 50 wire screen, 24 in. | 2 bundles sash-cord. |
| 50 wire screen, 32 in. | 200 lbs. window weights. |
| 2 screen doors, 3x7. | |

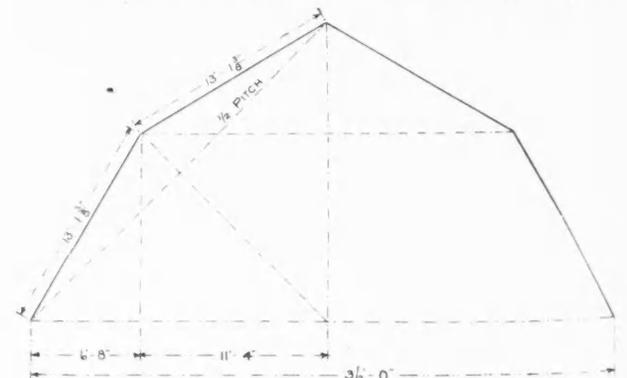
Painting and Oiling.

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| 2 1/2 lbs. putty. | 7 gal. linseed oil. |
| 1 lb. steel wool. | 2 gal. turpentine. |
| 15 sheets sand paper. | 7 gal. outside white paint, prime and trim. |
| 1 gal. floor oil. | 4 gal. yellow stone paint for body. |
| 1 gal. floor varnish. | |
| 3 gal. interior varnish. | |
| 4 pints burnt turkey amber. | |

Gambrel Proportions

To the Editor: Tyndall, N. Dak.
Pardon me for coming again for information, but I have a gambrel roof with 36-foot span and would like to know a good proportion to use, also the length and cuts of the rafters.
M. P.

Answer—A good proportion is to use 12 and 7 on the square for both sets of the rafters with a total rise same as for the one-half pitch roof, as shown in the illustration. The simplest way to arrive at a problem of this kind is to lay off a diagram, say, 1/2 inch, or an inch to the foot, 12 and 7 being the proportions to use for the pitches. This can be arrived at with the square, 7 being used for the run of the lower set and 12 for the upper set and where the two pitches



Elevation Showing Proper Gambrel Proportions for 36-Foot Span.

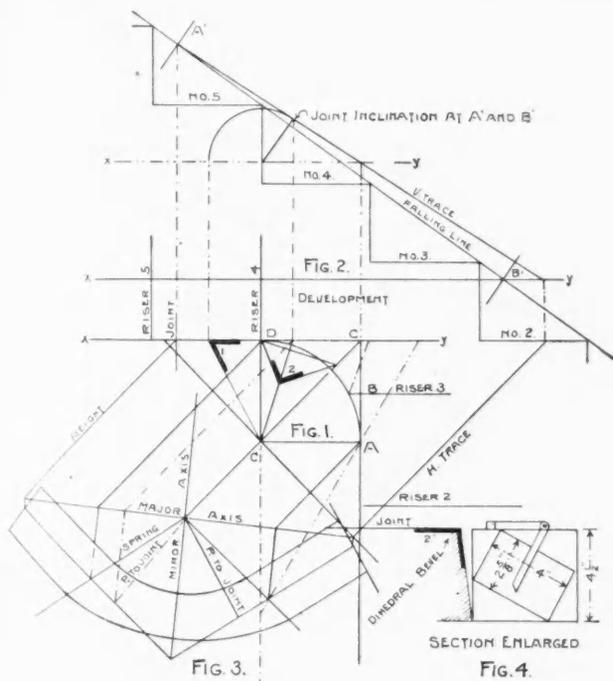
intersect will be the point of the knuckle. In this case 6 feet 8 inches and 11 feet 4 inches will be the respective runs, as shown. The decimal per foot in either case for the length is 13.89 and consequently both sets of rafters are identical. The side of the square on which 7 is taken gives both seat and plumb cuts and by applying the same on the square at the proportions of 12 and 12 on either seat or plumb cut line, will give the proper angle for the knuckle joint.

A. W. WOODS.



Handrailing on the Falling Line System

To the Editor: Toronto, Ont.
The present article on hand-railing is for the benefit of those who have practiced the square cut system. It is required to produce a solid wreath that will stand correctly over plan.



HAND RAILING ON THE FALLING LINE SYSTEM.

Method of Developing Plan, Etc., of Hand Railing on Falling Line System.

Fig. 1. First develop the center line of plan and draw the falling line, as shown. This being straight, the tangent will have equal pitches. It will be noticed that the riser B is made to stand in the cylinder 4 inches from A, while that of D is fixed on springing line. This is an excellent plan for two reasons. First, because the development from riser b to riser D on Plan Fig. 1, is equal to the width of a square step. Result is, we have a falling line that is perfectly straight. It will contain no ramps, except the ordinary ramp of reverse order, also the balusters around the curve will be equally spaced in center of rail, which is of some importance. He who can use a falling line intelligently is free from hard and fast rules; he can give his rail the best possible shape regardless of how the risers are placed.

Fig. 2 shows the development of plan.
Fig. 3. The face mould, with minor axis and right vertical trace.
Fig. 4 shows enlarged section of rail, with bevel applied. 1, is twist bevel for both ends. 2, Dihedral bevel for both ends. 2', shows it applied on end at Fig. 4. The finished size of rail is 2 5/8 by 4 inches out of a plank 4 1/2 inches thick.

JOHN MACLACHLAN.

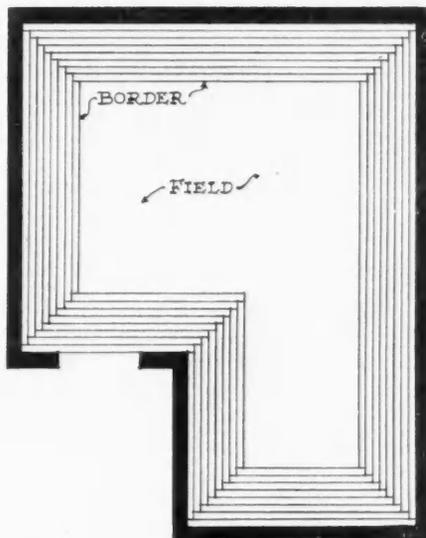
Flooring Border in Alcove Room

To the Editor: Winnemucca, Nev.

I would like you to give me your opinion on the proper way of laying and finishing a quarter sawed oak floor, in a room as per sketch, whole floor to be finished. Will it look good to lay it with a 30-inch border, corners log cabined, and how should it be laid in the part of the room that projects beyond the rest, that is, if laid with border?

C. E. WEIHEL.

Answer—The accepted style for running an ornamental floor border in a room shaped as yours is, namely, an alcove



Flooring Border Suggestion for an Alcove Room.

room, is to carry the border all the way around up into the alcove, the same as in the main part of the room.

The log cabin style corners will be entirely satisfactory. The accompanying sketch will show you one style of work for this proposition.

EDITOR.



An Idaho Home

To the Editor: Kimberly Idaho.

I have been taking the magazine for two years. I could not get along without it now. It is a partner in my business.



House Built at Kimberly, Idaho, by Arthur H. Fay.

I am enclosing a picture of a home I built last year; it is 26 by 40 feet, 12-foot studs. I did all the inside work myself. It has many built-in features. I am also building a garage to match the home.

ARTHUR H. FAY,
Contractor and Builder.

Would'nt Do in His Gang

To the Editor:

Castkill, N. Y.

Appropos of the wonderful shingling stunt done by a Mr. Pierce, as published in the *AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER* several weeks ago, and seeing so many comments thereon in the columns of your valuable paper, I shall at this late day express my own opinion as an old-timer who has spend nearly 40 years of my life as a carpenter and builder; ten of them as a contractor and builder and other years as boss over different gangs, and in those years have met many different types of men, some of whom used to like to tell how much they could do; but I have never yet seen the man that could carry four or five bunches of shingles on his shoulder up a long ladder as pictured out in the *A. C. & B.*, and place them on the roof. But if I had such a man working with a gang under me, I should tell him not to do it again for reasons plain to anyone; and furthermore, it may be true that Mr. Pierce put on the number of shingles in the time that he gives—that is one thing, but when he says he *can* do it and do it in a good and workmanlike manner, why—that is another thing.

I am free to say he nor any other man can expect to pick up just the width of shingle he may want to break a proper joint every time. Then again, among all shingles in a bunch there are bound to be defective ones, such as are checked and others that are cross-grained, in which case, if the shingler is an honest man he will have to lay them down and pick up another, and so in the course of the day he would have to count on some little lost time.

No, Mr. Pierce, with all due respect to you, as a smart man in that line, I will simply say that I never yet met that one smart fellow that could do such a sight more shingling than another smart one, provided they both did an equally good job. I think also that ninety cases out of a hundred leaky shingle roofs are caused by one or two of a gang of shinglers that want to show off or else through fear of

coming out behind will, if they have made a blunder, say nothing and let it go. Furthermore (if I remember right) Mr. Pierce does his shingling with nailed or spiked shoes like a ball-player, instead of with scaffolding; and uses no line. Well, Mr. Pierce, we are not from Missouri, but we like to be shown.

WM. COMFORT.



Work to be Proud of

To the Editor:

Farragut, Iowa.

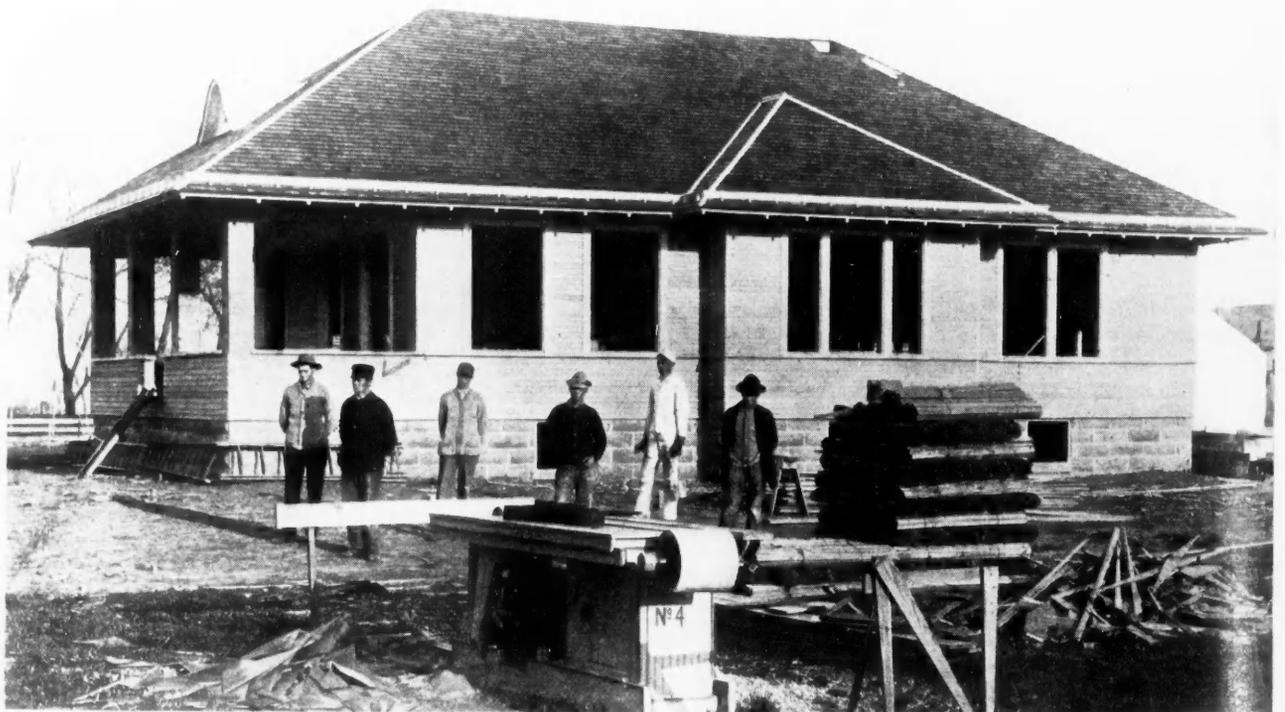
I am trying some of the Bro. Chips' ideas that are given in former issues of the *AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER*, and find them of great importance in my work.

I have some pictures or snap shots of buildings I have erected in the last couple of years that might be of interest to the Bro. Chips if I can get space in your valuable paper. I enclose a few of them with this letter.

L. L. SHARP.



This is a Nine-Room Bungalow Designed and Built by L. L. Sharp and Four Men. It Has Fine Closets and Bath and Also a Built-in China Closet Pantry. This Was Built for Mr. D. E. Brown, the Dealer in Lumber at Farragut, Iowa. Cost Complete, \$5,000.



This Bungalow Was Planned and Built by L. L. Sharp (Marked) and Men as You See in the Picture. You Will Notice Saw Rig Used Right on the Job; It is a Very Useful Piece of Machinery. This Bungalow Was Built for Mr. Rollo Jones, of Farragut, Iowa, and Cost Complete \$3,500.



This House Was Designed and Built by L. L. Sharp for Mr. B. F. Herriman, a Merchant of Farragut, Iowa. It Has Eight Rooms, Bath and Pantry, and Has Ample Closets. The Cost Complete Was \$3,500. The Corner of the Front Porch is Circular. You Will Notice a Shed for Sawing and Also the Automobile that He Says He "Does a Lot of Draying with."

Wants Fence Ideas

To the Editor:

Keyport, N. J.

Will you please publish some designs for building fences? In traveling around, one sees a great many different kinds.

I think that this subject of fence building would be of interest to all your readers, as there are so many different ways of doing it that the different brothers could send in drawings for your Correspondence Department.

I have been a reader of your paper for the last five years and have found the Correspondence of more value than any other department, as it always has something of interest to all readers.

BENJ. R. BUSH,
General Contractor.



Curving a Bungalow Roof

To the Editor:

Kanab, Utah.

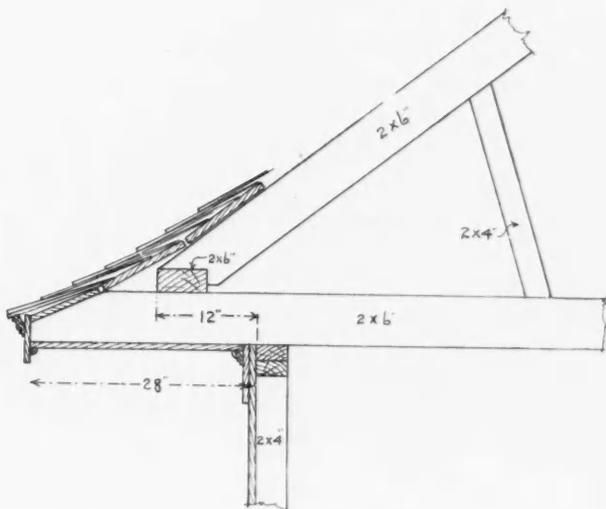
Am herewith sending a sketch for curved roof construction. I have seen many ways of building a roof with lookouts, but never found a better way for getting the dip in the curve right above the eaves. Also it is easier and quicker to build because the rafter ends are usually spiked onto the rafters, and joist are not needed in this construction. The following are the dimensions and details for a one-story bungalow.

The slope of roof is 6 inches over a one-third pitch from 28 to 32 feet wide. Rafters are 2 x 6, set on 2 x 6-inch plate, which is spiked on top of ceiling joist 12 inches from the square of the house to outside of plate. The sloping end of the joist which projects 28 inches from wall, are cut 2 1/4 inches up the end and 10 1/4 inches back on upper side. This gives nearly a foot slope and plenty of curve for the 10-inch sheathing board, which is to be a starter. The next sheathing board should be 12 inches wide. The frieze board to be

made of 7 1/2 inch, if 6-inch porch lintel is used, and 9 1/2 inch if 8-inch lintel is used. This will will make the same finish all around. Rip fascia 5 inches and let it project below the ends of lookouts 1 1/2 inches to receive cornice, which can be put on either lengthwise or crosswise.

I prefer to put it crosswise as it then runs parallel with the porch ceiling, looks better, stays better and does not open up like it does when run lengthwise. In the inside corner any kind of bed mould can be used and in outside corner a little quarter round will be all right. Be sure to put crown mould a little higher than sheathing. This helps to give the right curve in the roof. The shingles should be started with 2 inch projection and keep them 3 inches to the weather until out of the curve in the roof.

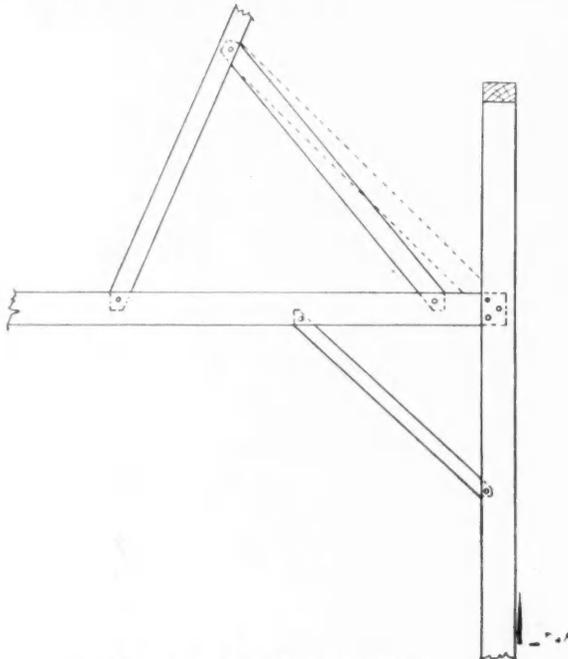
FRED ISHOY.



Cornice Detail for Roof with Slight Curve at Eaves.

That Purlin Brace

To the Editor: Shelbyville, Ind.
 Commenting on J. B. Sydeman's purlin brace in the August number, I wish to submit the following:



Purlin Brace as Made by Roy Hall

The brace, if set as shown by the dotted lines, would kick the post or help to spread the timbers but if set as shown by the solid lines, the push is against solid timber of the tie beam, leaving no outward thrust against the post and consequently no pins to break.

ROY NAIL.

**Portable Refrigerator Ideas Wanted**

To the Editor: Bloomington, Ind.
 I wish you would print in an early issue a detail of the proper way to construct a portable refrigerator.

FRANK MUNDELL.

How to Remodel Roof in Rainy Time

To the Editor: Northport, Mich.
 I am a new comer in Northport having come from the west this past spring. I have been working alone on some repair work; and I want to tell you one little thing I have done that might help someone else out. The building was 18 by 30 ft. 12 ft. wall 2 feet from upper floor to top of plate. The owner wanted three windows in one side of roof dormers.

As the weather was showery, I dared not open up the roof much. The building had not been finished inside upstairs. I had to cut out about 18 feet of roof. I put shores under the rafters on the opposite side to be cut out, knocked off the collar ties, took 8 big strap hinges, went up on roof and nailed one on each pair of rafters, drove the screws in with hammer and found out how far from ridge I would cut across, so that the rafters would be long enough when raised high enough to let in the window frames. The old roof was one-half pitch.

I then sawed roof down from ridge to where I cut across. Then cut rafters off between two sheathing boards. Had two small jack screws nailed a 2 by 6 against the roof. Set the jacks under and raised it up without any bother and had my plate cut and the short studs nailed on. Cut a small gain in plate to suit rafter. When I had it high enough, I put in studding and plate, plumbed studding and nailed up through plate into rafter. Got in window frames and finished walls. Then when a fine day came, tore off old shingles and put on prepared roofing.

J. J. MCKENZIE.

**Large Barn of Unusual Design**

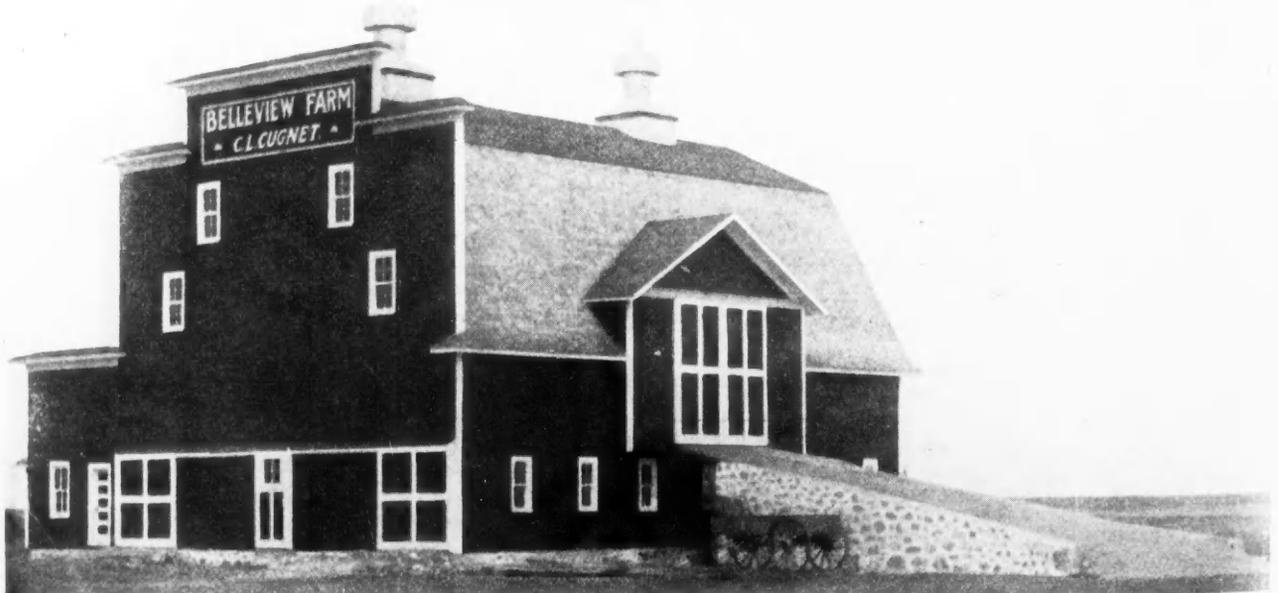
To the Editor: Weyburn, Sask.
 I am enclosing card showing a barn we have just finished. It is 58 by 60 feet, and there are some ideas on it that come out of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER.

R. A. CARLISLE,

Of Carlisle & Janowsky, General Contractors.

That may be so; but I'm sure we never advocated a fake front. Is this barn supposed to stand on the main business street of a small town?

EDITOR.



Barn with Decorative Front Built at Weyburn, Sask., by Carlisle and Janowsky.



New Models and Improvements for Builders

Thru this special department this month 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. These items are offered here as interesting information for our readers; they are not advertising. Take full advantage of these Reading Months to write for catalogs and booklets, and become thoroly familiar with these Improvements and New Goods.

New "Kawneer" Construction

Art is a quality; its elements are fitness and beauty. Inasmuch as any object expresses these elements, it is artistic.

But fitness and beauty together with strength are the highest merits which could be given an object.

Kawneer Mfg. Co. of Niles, Michigan, are manufacturing a solid copper store front construction which possesses all these merits.

The first thing that appeals to you when looking at the new "Kawneer" sash is the ease in which this sash can be glazed. There is no chance for the screws to come in contact with the glass, causing breakage. The glass is held by improved spring friction grip, giving the highest degree of flexibility, yet holding the glass with a firm grip.

The dust slide can be operated from the outside, thus preventing dirt from gathering in the sash and being carried up into the show windows by "suction," when the slide is opened for ventilation.

A wide gutter, provided with extra large holes for carrying away the condensation, is also a feature worthy of consideration.

The face piece is held in place by a pointed machine screw which engages a nut, securely riveted to the bottom of the sash.

The corner bars give a large spring friction grip to the glass. They have a refined appearance and are very compact in their construction.

The reverse corner bars, also the division bars, are carefully designed for the purpose they are intended for. Attention is called to the tubular steel reinforcement, "the stiffener," of the larger bars. These are designed to withstand the

heaviest wind pressure and are manufactured in several sizes.

The new head and side jambs, transom bars, and bulkheads, are designed in a refined manner, in harmony with the other members of the "Kawneer" Store Front construction.



Combination Desk and Bookcase Colonnade

Here is shown a nifty idea that has been developed by the Chicago Grill Works, 828-838 Wells Street, Chicago. It consists of a colonnade that is equipped with a bookcase on one side and a disappearing desk on the other. The desk folds back against the colonnade when not in use and fits into the panel work so that it cannot be seen except on close examination.

This is an ingenious idea. It saves considerable space



Chicago Grill Works Desk and Bookcase Colonnade.

and will place the desk where it will be most handy when needed. The makers say that the appearance of the colonnade is not injured in any way, but the desk is merely incorporated so as to utilize space that is often lost.

The illustration shows the construction of the desk with its pigeonholes and the drop front. The bookcase is finished in leaded glass and presents an attractive appearance.

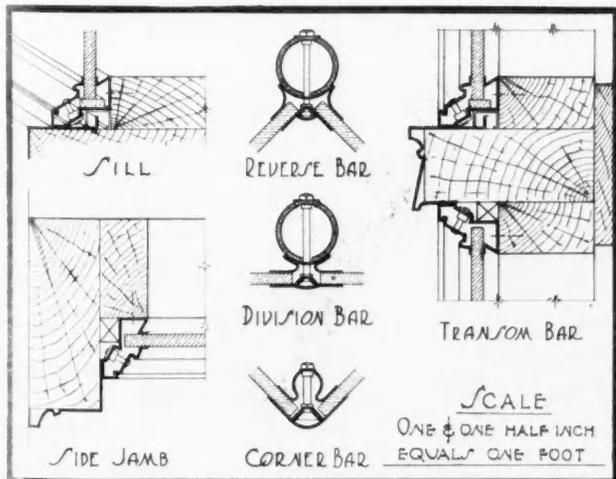
Complete descriptions and prices can be obtained from the above-mentioned company on application. It is an unusual design that will be mighty useful in many instances.



National's No. 85 Storm Sash and Screen Adjuster

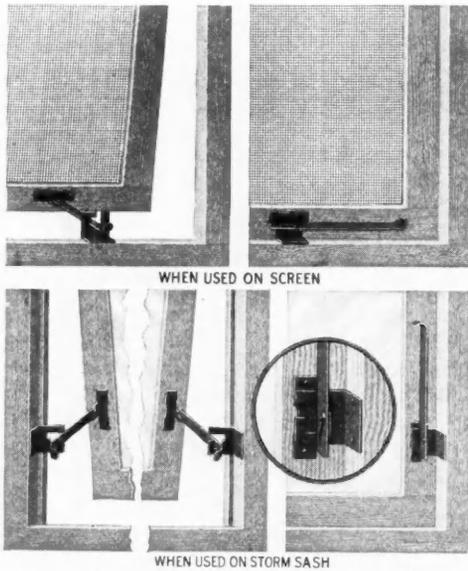
One of the main objections to adjusters for storm sash and screens is the rattling. The makers of the adjuster shown in the accompanying illustration say that this device positively will not rattle, due to the special construction of the joint.

The slot in the bar which holds the sash open is wedge-shaped, which keeps the sash firmly in position. The more



Details of New Style "Kawneer" Store Front Construction.

pressure that is applied to the bar, the firmer the wedge-shaped slot is fixed in position. The curved end of the bar prevents the sash from being pushed too far out at the



Improved Hardware Offered by the National Manufacturing Company.

bottom, as the compression against the sash will prevent this.

The adjuster is made entirely of steel. It is finished in two ways. It may be had with either a japanned or a sheradized finish. The sheradized finish is especially recommended, as it is proof against rust and will thus give longer and more satisfying service.

This sash or screen adjuster is made by the National Manufacturing Company, Sterling, Ill. They will be pleased to send further details to all our readers that are interested.



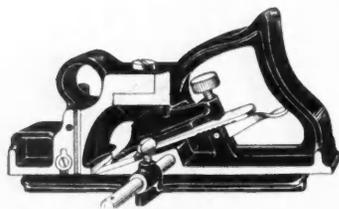
Stanley Rabbet and Filletster Plane

One of the new tools that is being offered to our readers is shown here. It is a rabbet and filletster plane that is made by the Stanley Rule & Level Co., New Britain, Conn.

The sides and the bottom of this plane are made square with each other so that the plane will lie perfectly flat on either side. It has an adjustable fence that can be slid under the bottom so as to regulate the width of the cut.

One of the specially useful parts of the tool are the two spurs which are placed one on each side. This allows the plane to be used across the grain. As both the fence and the depth gauge can be attached to either side, the plane is suitable for either right or left hand work.

The front of the plane can be easily detached, thus providing a bull nose plane for working close up into corners or other difficult places.



New Stanley Plane.



Additions to "Monitor" Line

B. F. Litchy & Sons Co., Waterloo, Iowa, wish to announce that in January their handsome new catalog will be ready for distribution. This catalog will be complete, showing the "Monitor" cupolas erected, also ventilators and knocked down vent pipes and fittings.

Knowing the necessity of proper and complete ventilation in barns as well as other buildings, they have gone into detail with this addition to the "Monitor" line of goods.

"Monitor" cupolas will be made in many styles the coming

season; steel base, ventilating base, glass base and they will also be made with round base, designed especially for round barns.

"Monitor" skylights are an old specialty of this firm, many hundreds of them being erected on buildings thruout this section of the country.

Contractors and builders interested in a high grade of cupolas and ventilation systems can write to B. F. Litchy & Sons Co., Waterloo, Ia., and will receive their new catalog.



Porter Co. Offer New Style Barn Door Track

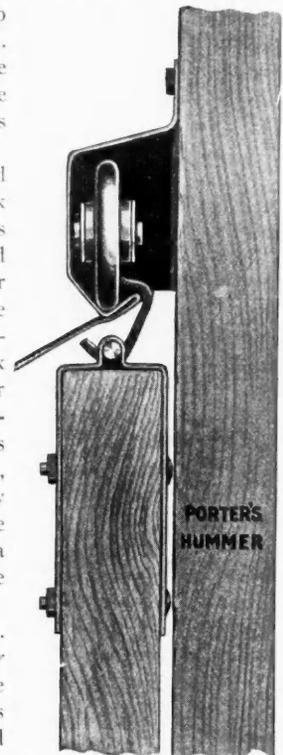
The J. E. Porter Company, of Ottawa, Ill., is marketing a new barn door hanger and track, known as the "Hummer." It will be noted from the accompanying cut, the track is made of *one piece*, the gauge of steel used is 14, and is formed in such a manner as to give the maximum strength. This one piece of steel forms the cover and track complete, there being no rivets and no brackets necessary.

The joint clamp is so arranged as to make a continuous track and no charge is made for this clamp. It will be further noted that the wheels of the hanger run in the V-shaped base of the track, making the point of contact of the wheels with the track the least possible to obtain under any construction, thereby practically eliminating friction. It is a self-centering construction, the wheels running perfectly straight regardless of the angle of the door. The track makes a perfect water shed over the hanger and door.

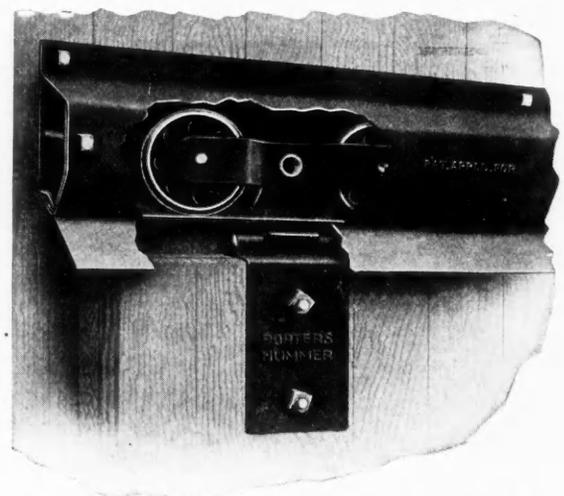
The hanger is a steel tandem. The wheels are large and *roller bearing*. It also has the flexible and can't-get-off features, and is made in the non-adjustable and adjustable types.

The track is furnished in lengths of six, eight and ten feet, with all joint clamps and a lag screw every twelve inches. The hangers are packed each pair complete in a very attractive carton, and one-half dozen pair in a case.

The company states that the selling strength already de-



Section Thru Door Track and Hanger.



Porter Company's "Hummer"—Track Cut Away to Show Hanger.

valued from the exceptional merit of this specialty rates it as one of the most popular of its products.

J. E. Porter Company, 620 Fremont Street, Ottawa, Ill., will be glad to furnish catalog and further information upon request.



New Ruby Color Asphalt Shingles

Roofing styles change just as surely and almost as frequently as any other style, either in hats or automobiles.

Many architects are giving serious thought to creative contemplation of roofing appearances. The thatched effect on roofs is now entering an era of popularity, but for a long time no suitable material was to be had to bring out the beauty of such designs. With the advent of Reynolds shingles any design is made possible.

The newest thing the Reynolds Asphalt Shingle Company offers is a new tone of red. It is slightly brighter than the old garnet minerals, and will be called "ruby." This shingle has for a surfacing a mineral wonderfully adapted to its use, having a beautiful coloring which cannot possibly fade, and possesses the same merits as the other surfacings before offered.

The flexibility of Reynolds shingles, their long life and the extremely beautiful tones of their mineral surfacing will make this product the most popular roof material offered.

Reynolds shingles are made in four non-fading colors, standard size 8 by 12 inches, very heavy and long lived. They are fire-resisting, and carry the approval of the Underwriters' laboratories. Every package labeled with the name and color and also with the Underwriters' label—none furnished in plain packages.

Address the H. M. Reynolds Asphalt Shingle Company, "Originators of the Asphalt Shingle," Grand Rapids, Mich.



"Lignine" (Wood) Carvings

The Ornamental Products Company, manufacturers of "Lignine" (wood) carvings, unbreakable, have just issued their new catalog No. 8.

Carvings are perfect reproductions of high grade, hand carved oak, mahogany, and walnut models, and have been used successfully by carpenters, builders, and cabinet makers for many years.

We recently received, unwrapped and unprotected, a rosette in perfect condition with the following test suggestions on the back:

Cut on the band saw; Drive nails into it; Hammer it.

The manufacturers must be sure of their position when they invite such rigid tests.

"Lignine" (wood) carvings are warranted by the manufacturers not to chip, check, crack, shrink, or warp and can be carried in stock without loss as they do not deteriorate with age. They are easily attached by bradding and glueing and are finished with filler or stain to perfectly harmonize with the article of which they form a part.

Their 43-page catalog showing in connection with capitals, pilaster capitals, scrolls, wreaths, rosettes, festoons, etc., a line of Adam and Louis XVI characteristics, true to period, and a sample are free for the asking and we advise our readers to send for them.



Interior Column Work

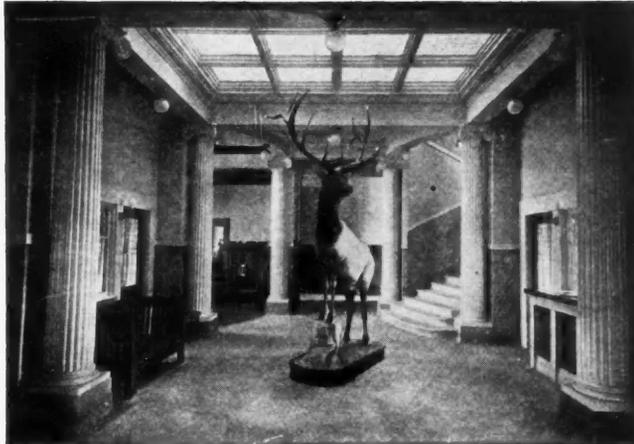
The interiors of many buildings are finished in columns and one of the best ways of handling this kind of work is by the use of metal columns. Because of their artistic, smooth finish and the various styles of finishing, they lend themselves readily to any decorative scheme that is required.

They are suitable for all climates and conditions and their

durability has been proven by their use for all kinds of interior and exterior work in all parts of the country. In the catalog of the Union Metal Manufacturing Company are shown installations that prove beyond a doubt the load-carrying capacity of these columns.

The accompanying illustration shows a hall in the Elks' Temple at Bellingham, Wash. The artistic, substantial appearance of these columns is clearly shown here as applied to interior decorations.

The metal columns are protected against the action of the elements by a coating of special spelter designed to adhere to the metal under all conditions. This coating is painted at the factory with a coat of paint especially prepared to



Union Metal Columns in Elks' Temple, Bellingham, Wash.
Wm. Cox, Architect.

adhere to galvanized iron. The seams of all the columns are securely locked and are always turned on the inside of the shaft. This leaves the outside perfectly smooth with the exception of a small crack that can be filled with putty before the finishing coat of paint is applied.

These columns are made at Canton, Ohio, by the Union Metal Manufacturing Company. They will gladly send their catalog to all interested. It shows the styles and many installations of their columns. Our readers should be informed about metal columns and can obtain all the necessary information from this concern.



North Carolina Pine for Interior Ornamentation

A few years ago no wood was perceptible on the walls of the average home. The dining-room plate-rail was perhaps the only exception.

Today, no home is considered strictly up-to-date without its paneled walls, beamed ceilings and built-in book-cases, china closets and fire-seats.

North Carolina pine is admirably adapted to interior work. It is comparatively free from resin and most attractive in figure. It responds readily to oils, wax or other floor dressings. It can be stained to represent almost any hardwood finish. Moreover, there is a decided relief from monotony when North Carolina pine is used. Its variety of grain gives it a refreshing, ever-changing delight, different in every piece but harmonious in the whole.

For flooring it is especially desirable. North Carolina pine is finished wider than most woods. This means that less material is required and consequently less money is invested when the floor is of it.

But added to all these superlative qualities is its relative low cost. Woods costing much higher are considered by many not a degree finer in beauty or durability.

Comment is hardly necessary as to its merits for exterior construction, which, added to the foregoing facts concerning its use for interiors, lends but further emphasis to the fact that North Carolina pine is truly a universal wood.



"Red Devil" Bonded Chisels

The "Red Devil" chisel is made of a pure Swedish analysis steel blade, welded to solid sockets of Norway iron. While this may seem like an expensive process, it is nevertheless just as essential to have high-grade material in tools if you want to produce good tools as it is to have a good quality cloth if you want to make a good suit of clothes. The "Red Devil" chisel, being manufactured by high-grade mechanics who know their business and who have spent not only years in experimenting on chisels, but who have used chisels.

Nor is there any attempt made at economy in putting on leather tipped chisels anything but a high-grade leather. The "Red Devil" chisel is equipped with nothing but the finest sole leather.

It is interesting to note that each chisel is accompanied by a signed Bond of Insurance, agreeing to replace within two years from date of beginning of service. There is only one conclusion, therefore, to be drawn from such a cast-iron guarantee of insurance, and that is that the "Red Devil" is right.

Smith & Hemenway Company, Inc., of 156 Chambers Street, New York City, manufacturers of over 1,000 different styles, sizes and finishes of mechanics' tools, including chisels, bits, nippers, pliers, mitre boxes, glass cutters, etc., will be glad to send to any reader a booklet showing their entire line.



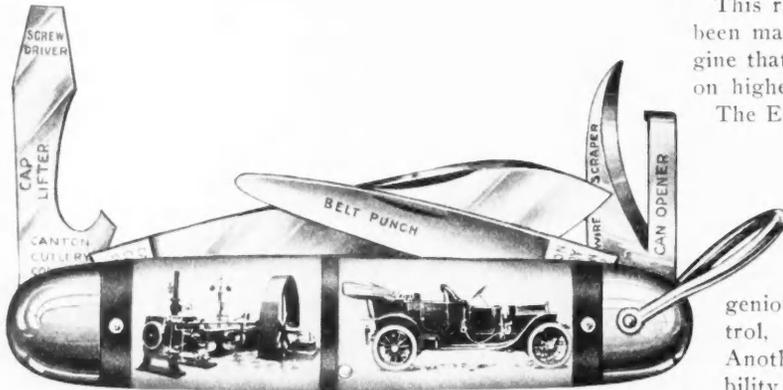
The Usefulness of a Knife Depends on the Blade

A handsome or distinctive handle on a knife is a good thing if there is something inside the handle, but there aren't many people buying knives for their handles. They buy them to use, not to look at.

The knife shown here is made with a special steel, called "Car-Van" steel. The makers of this, the Canton Cutlery Company, say that this steel is equal or superior to Damascus sword steel, and is the result of years of investigation and experimenting.

In addition to the high-grade blades, they are making novelty handles for these knives which presents an attractive agency proposition to carpenters and builders. The handle can be fitted with photographs, names, lodge emblems, or any other design.

A card addressed to them at Canton, Ohio, will bring the details of the proposition that they are offering to carpenters and builders.



Combination Knife with Novelty Handle Made by Canton Cutlery Co.

Handling Engines for Profits

The men who are out on the job often have an opportunity to find out whether other builders and contractors are in need of an engine and they often see conditions where an engine would save other men considerable money. In this way the contractor has a chance to put over a selling talk that the man, less familiar with instances, does not have.

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The engine they are making is suitable for gasoline, kerosene, or gas. It is of the valve-in-head type such as has been so successful in automobiles. They say that their engine is made to prove a pulling capacity of 30 to 50 per cent overload. This will give more power to the man that is inclined to buy an engine a little too small for the purpose.

Men who are interested in this proposition can get all the necessary information from this company by writing to their address, 1629 Crystal Ave., Kansas City, Mo.



The Syracuse Twist Drill Bit for Wood

Altho first marketed in 1877, there are many carpenters who do not know the merits and advantages of the Syracuse twist drill bit for wood. Instead of being made by cutting flutes around the body in a milling machine, this drill is forged straight in one piece under power hammers and twisted hot to form the spirals. The grain of the steel is unbroken, thus following the twist and, being compacted in the process of forging, is stronger and tougher than if milled.

The Syracuse twist drill bit has stood the test for



Syracuse Twist Drill.

nearly 40 years. Its makers, the Syracuse Twist Drill Co., Syracuse, N. Y., claim it to be the best for carpenters, cabinet and wagon makers for the following reasons: It is made of high grade tool steel; it is hammer refined and oil tempered to impart strength and toughness; it is accurate and numbered by 32nds and 64ths, giving a size for every use; it can be sharpened upon a grindstone when dulled by service. Having no worm, its boring speed may be suited to the toughness of the wood. It is not injured by accidental contact with nails and screws. It will enlarge a hole without plugging.



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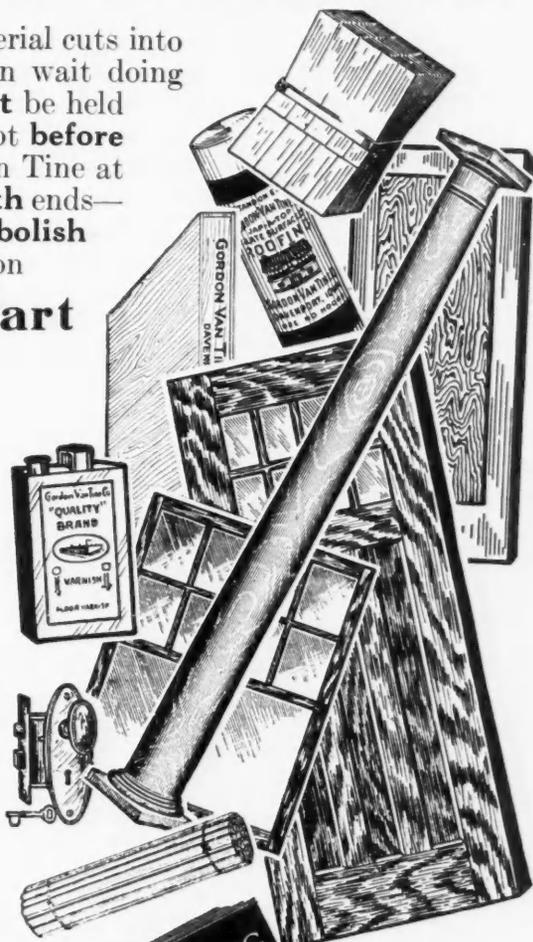
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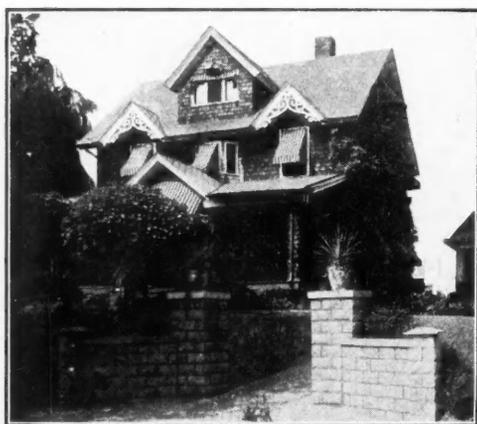


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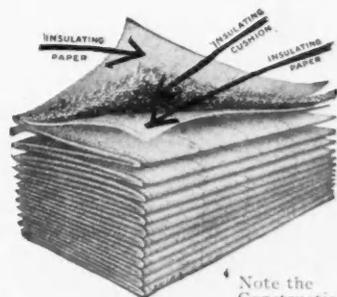
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The Aerdome is shipped with the top and the base separate. Two strong bolts hold the parts solidly together and anchor the Aerdomes to the roof. The one piece base is very strong and needs no wooden filler to brace it.



The Northfield Aerdome.

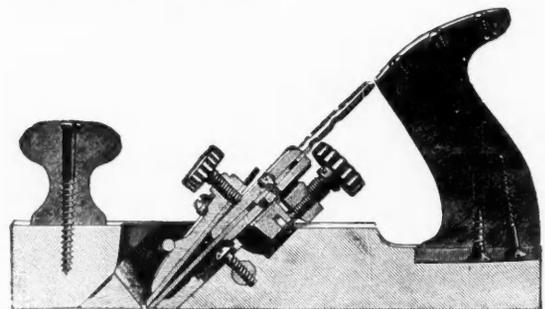
Prices and details can be obtained from the Northfield Iron Company, 402 Nico Building, Northfield, Minn. They make the Aerdomes in all sizes and prices so that the carpenter who handles their work can accommodate customers of all kinds. They have some choice territory still open and offer an attractive proposition to carpenters.



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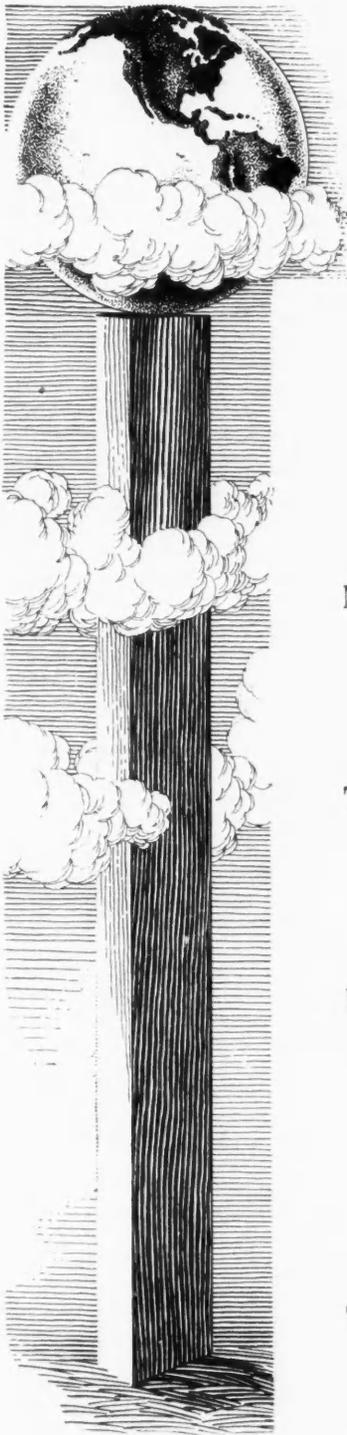
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One of the features of asphalt shingles are the many colors in which they may be obtained. Almost any color scheme can be decided upon and a tint can be found that will harmonize to bring the scheme out at its best.

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Details of the uses and varieties of asphalt shingles that can be obtained will be furnished on request by the Asphalt Shingle Publicity Bureau, 855 Marquette Building, Chicago, Ill.



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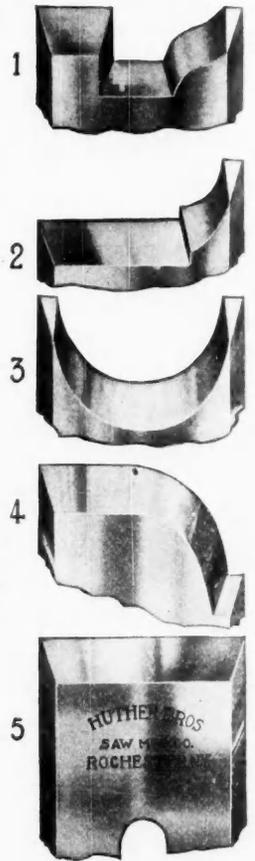
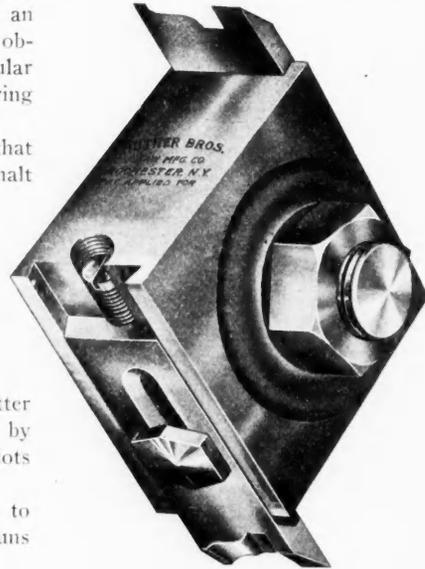
A Huther patent Cutter Head for joining and sticking mouldings on saw table, cutting windows, top treads, cove moulding and other uses is shown here. Any special shape knives will be furnished to order. This cutter head is made from solid steel and has an adjustment by headless set screws. The knives are held in dovetailed slots by hexagon head bolts.

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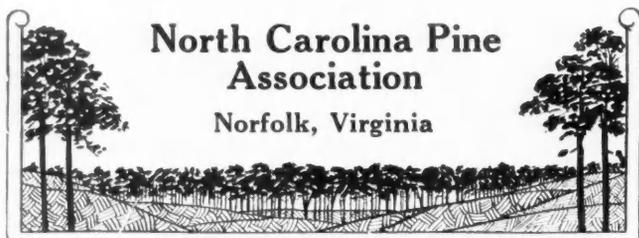
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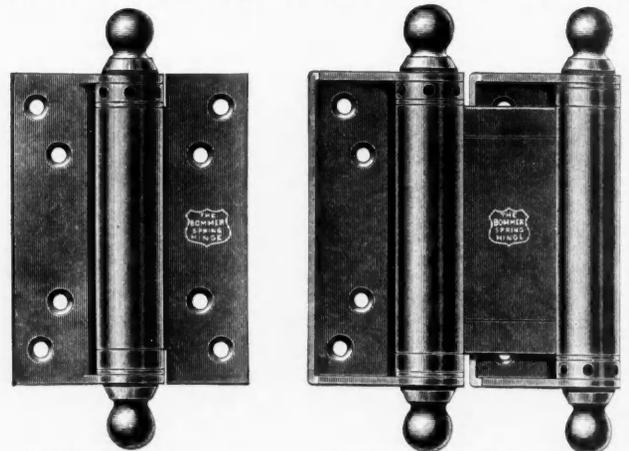
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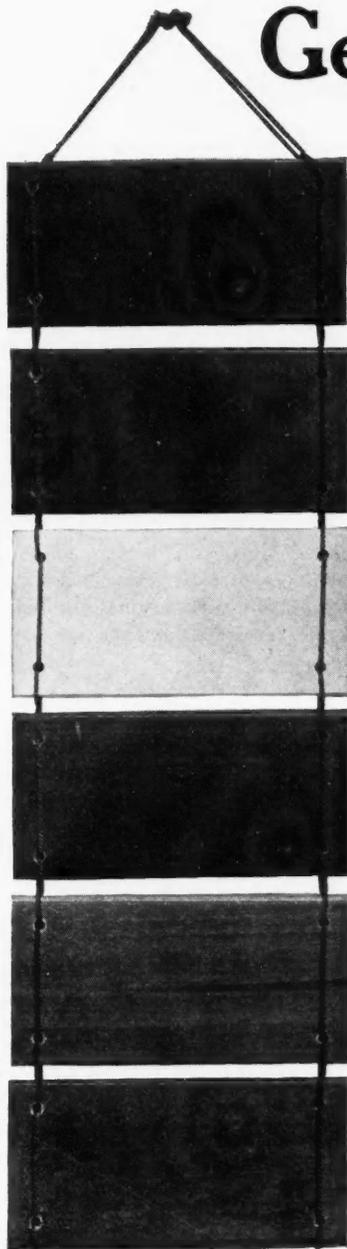
This book contains valuable tables of various kinds that are used every day by the most of the business people from the largest to the smallest, and principally by those who have use for or handle any of the articles which the above concern manufactures, such as wire cloth for screening purposes; protection of windows, lathing and for many other purposes; also wire work, such as desk railings, counter guards, office partitions, machinery guards, and window guards; ornamental iron work, such as elevator enclosures, elevator cabs, door grills and many other articles too numerous to mention in this space.

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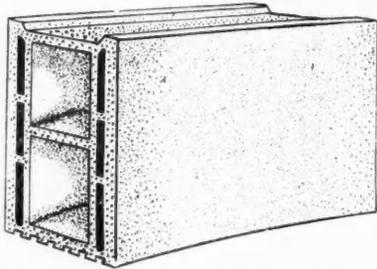
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The two really vital features of the first-class modern silo are the main wall material and the door construction. While putting out both the wood stave and tile block silos, the Kalamazoo Tank & Silo Company of Kalamazoo, Mich., are featuring their glazed tile, double wall block silo in an early-in-year sales campaign, the idea being that before the spring work opens on the farm the tile can be hauled from the station at convenience and erected by home labor, when that home labor is most plentiful and cheap. The tile is shipped direct from the nearest of a chain of kilns and money is saved the silo buyer by the saving effected in not having to store the tile with consequent numerous handlings and breakage.



Kalamazoo Glazed Tile Silo Block.

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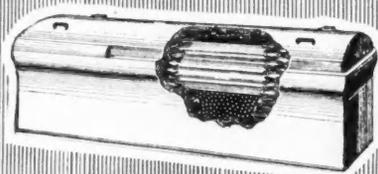
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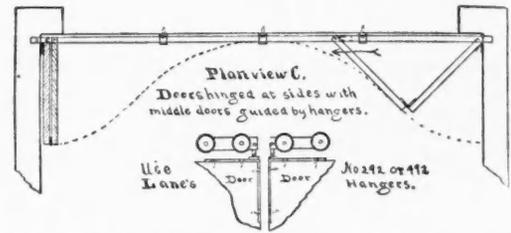
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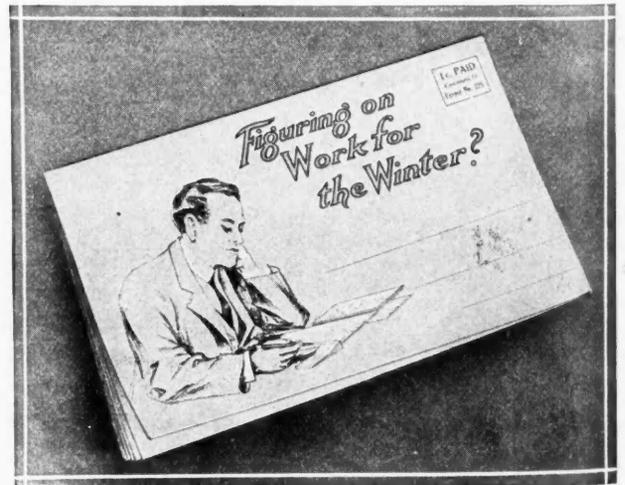
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At the Saw Anvil.

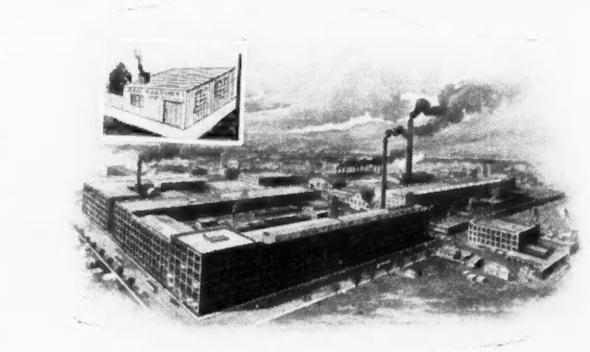
At the "bench" or anvil we find young Elias Atkins, in 1846, hammering away at his task, but with thoughts afar off, his blood boiling for adventure and his soul filled with an unconquerable desire to achieve.

Here he was in a field already occupied. Out there was the broad and fruitful West, with its thousands of miles of virgin forests, all to be felled, cut into lengths and fit for the builder's use.

Then came the last farewell to the loving mother and clinging girl-wife, the last good-bye and parting look at the old familiar sights of dear old

Bristol, and our boy was gone to cast his lot among the many uncertainties, in the wilds of Indiana.

There were no Pullmans, or dining cars, or "Twentieth Century Limited" trains in those days. Much of the jour-



Then and Now at the Atkins Factory.

ney was made by stage-coach, and the days were long and the nights seemed never-ending. But the young pioneer pushed forward, constantly forward, towards the setting sun, until at last he reached the small village that was or is known as Indianapolis, at that time only a government trading post on the National Road running from Washington to St. Louis.

Here among the rugged oaks and monster hardwoods, our young sawmaker was made welcome.

The starting of a business enterprise in those days was far different from the present. There could be no heavy initial investment, because there was no money to invest. There could be no large buildings with complicated machinery, because no buildings or machinery existed, for that purpose, at the time.

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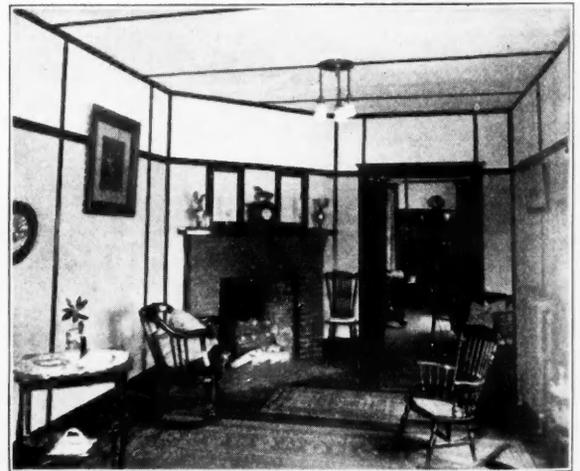
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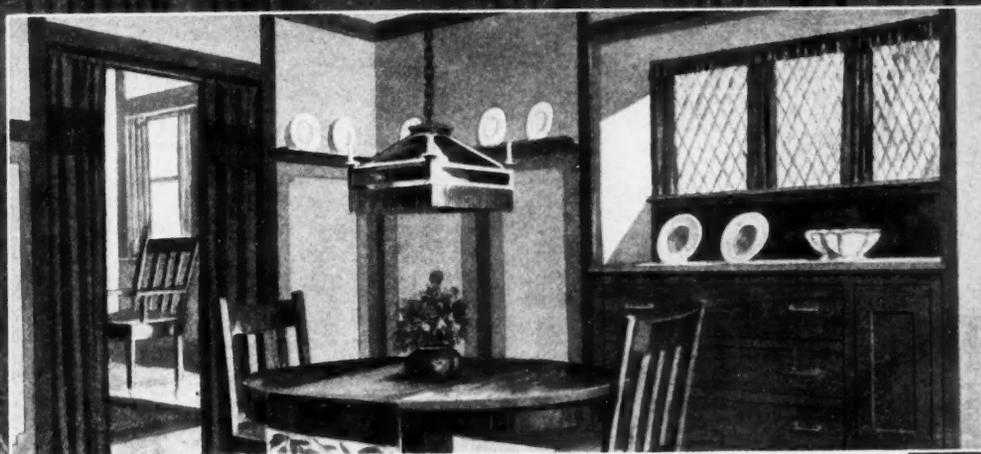
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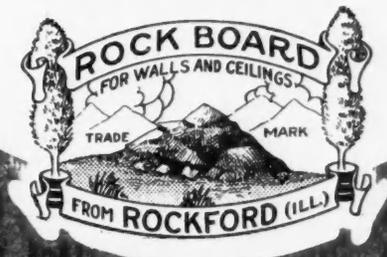
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From his modest beginning in 1857 has grown the enormous enterprise of today.

It is true that opportunity entered into the success in a marked degree; but of much more consequence has been the one underlying principle that has dominated the business from its inception, which has been the name of E. C. Atkins & Co. shall never be given to a saw or tool unless it has been made of the very finest material and built on the most scientific principles.



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Winches and derricks are most important parts of a contractor's equipment. They will often pay for themselves in the time and labor saved in handling material, both light and heavy, on the job.

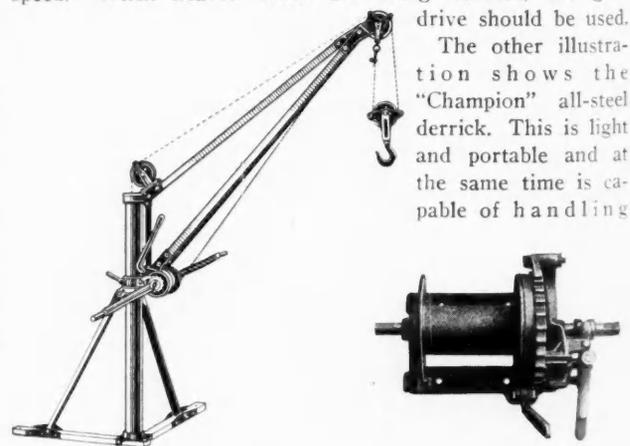
The winch shown here is especially convenient and prac-



The Sasgen Derrick Folds Into Two Pieces for Carrying.

tical in construction work. This single drum, single shaft geared winch can be operated both direct and in gear from one shaft. The change from direct to compound can be made in an instant by one small lever. When light loads are being handled, the direct drive can be used with the resulting speed. When heavier loads are being handled, the gear

drive should be used. The other illustration shows the "Champion" all-steel derrick. This is light and portable and at the same time is capable of handling



Ready for Work.

Detail of Drum.

1,000 pounds. It folds up into two pieces so that it can be readily carried in an auto.

The Sasgen Derrick Company are the makers of this equipment. Their address is 2053 N. Racine Avenue, Chicago, Ill. Further particulars on their new winch and other types of equipment can be secured from them.

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Up to *this* time we have been oversold on Upson Processed Board, all the time. But now with our big, new, *modern* factory—the most completely equipped wall board plant in the country—*now* that we can supply more board, we want you to know why you *ought* to use Upson Processed Board in preference to any other.

Of course you've heard about Upson Processed Board! You probably already know it as the *quality* board—the standardized board by which others are judged and compared.

It may be that you are prejudiced against the use of any wall board—either had bad luck yourself with some punky board or heard of some brother carpenter having trouble. But *don't* put Upson Processed Board in the same class with *irresponsible*, warping, pulling boards.

Get it clear in your mind—Upson Processed Board is **DIFFERENT**. It is no more to be compared with other boards than hemlock is with oak.

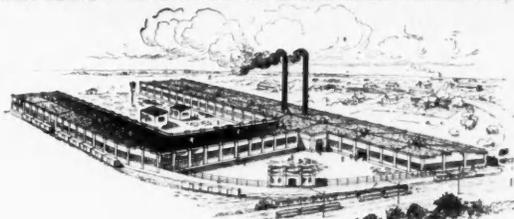
Perhaps the boards you've used in the past were punky and mealy—perhaps you couldn't saw, cut or plane them—perhaps they were hard to handle because they were so brittle—and perhaps after you had done your best to get a good job, they curled and pulled, even in some cases ripped loose from the walls.

But you *never* heard of Upson Processed Board pulling from the wall or drinking gallons of paint because it was spongy or absorbent. No! You never heard of Upson Board giving very much trouble *anywhere*, because there isn't a "kick to a million feet"—a fact that we are willing to back by affidavit.

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The difference in cost between **DEPENDABLE** Upson Processed Board and cheap, punky, "jack pine" boards or dirty "chip" boards, is *less than a dollar* for the average room and that small difference is saved several times over in the lower cost of painting Upson Board. This is a point you ought to tell your customers about.

You want to know, too, that Upson Board cuts with a clean edge and planes smoothly. The stiff panels are more easily handled and there is no sticky tar to gum your saw and make you condemn wall boards.

And Upson Board is strong—stands more than 400 pounds pressure to the square inch. No pure wood fibre board on the market tests so strongly.

Scores of carpenters have told us they can apply a quarter more of Upson Board in a day than of any other wall board. That means economy in application for you.

Yes, you owe it to yourself to know about Upson Board. You will be delighted with it when you've used some and convinced yourself as to its dependability. You will find it better adapted to your work than other boards and we are willing to let you prove these statements yourself.

By all means use wall board—but use the **BEST** board. Upson Processed Board comes nearest to being the *perfect* wall and ceiling lining for every kind of building—new or old. It also offers a profitable little side line in making cabinets and other articles. In fact, it is almost as useful as lumber in every-day carpenter jobs.

Send today for your sample of this dependable wall board. Test or compare it with any other boards you may know.

You'll be interested in a mighty good plan we have for cooperating with carpenters who use Upson Processed Board. It makes work the year around and especially during winter months which are sometimes dull.

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Then, every panel is carefully **PROCESSED** so that it is *pre-shrunk* or **KILN CURED**, like interior trim, to minimize



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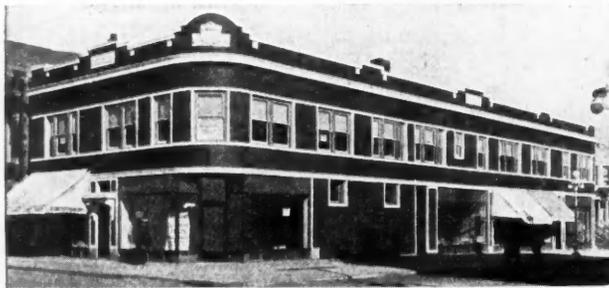
LOOK FOR THE BLUE CENTER—TRADE-MARKED

Stock Terra Cotta

Of more than usual interest to architects, contractors and also the man who is planning to build, is the announcement by the Midland Terra Cotta Company on another page of this issue. Look carefully at the picture in their advertisement—you can see stack after stack of white enamel terra cotta ready to fill orders on short notice—all that it requires before loading on cars, is fitting it to your plan.

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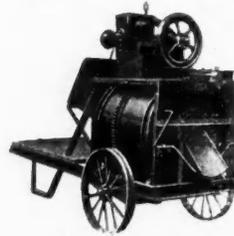


Chicago Business Block of Brick and Stock Terra Cotta.

the first of the new year. This portfolio contains sixteen plates serially numbered from 45 to 60, each plate containing many valuable suggestions on the use of stock terra cotta. Call or write the Midland Terra Cotta Company, 1515 Lumber Exchange Bldg., Chicago, for one. It is free to those interested.

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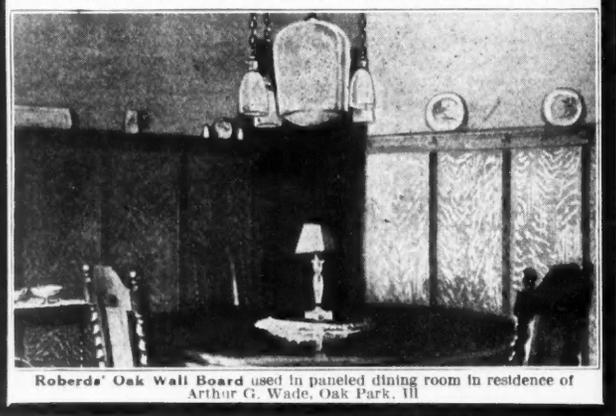
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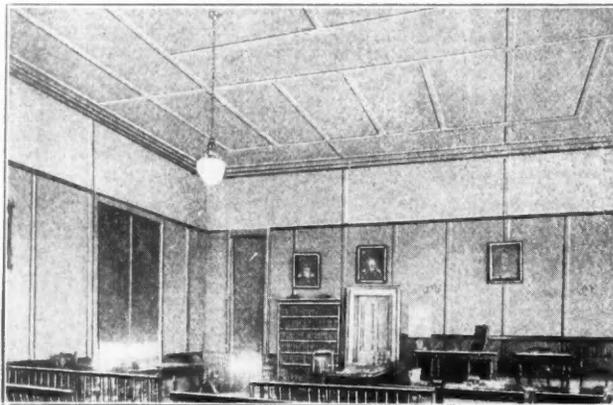
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The entire register has been reset in new type and the indexing is most complete, so that no difficulty is encountered in finding any classification desired. The lists furnished are even more reliable than formerly. The binding is of leather.

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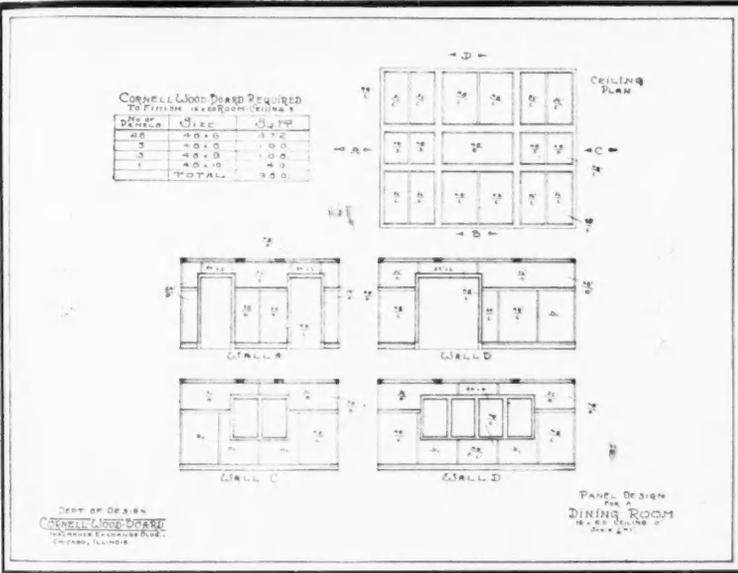
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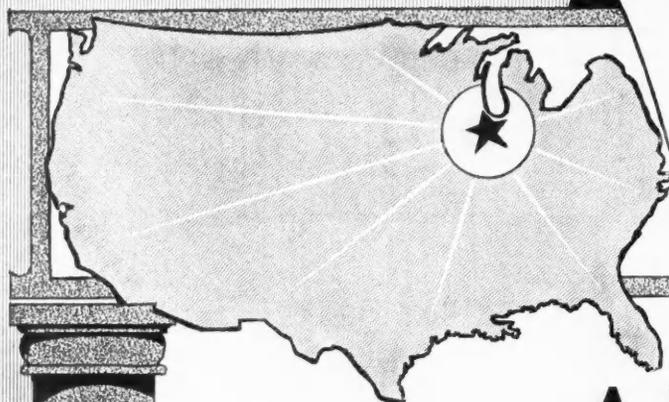
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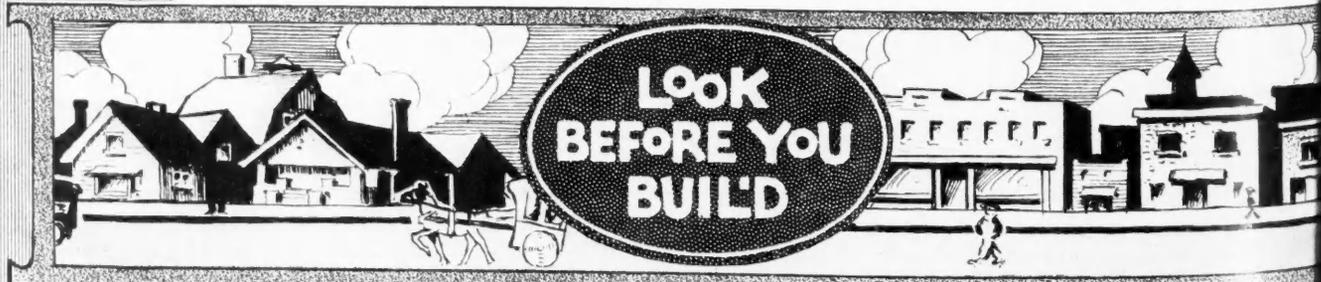
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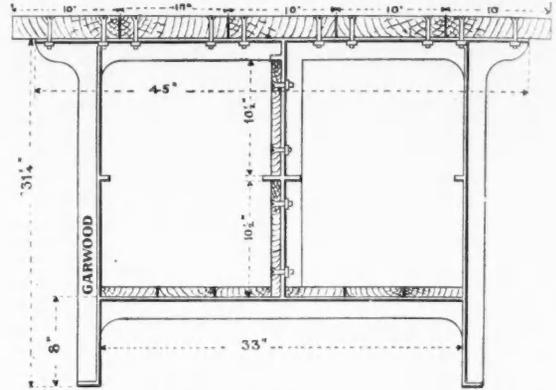


HOTEL PLAZA NEW YORK CITY

The Legs Make the Bench

The Garwood Bronze & Iron Works, Garwood, N. J., is offering a new cast iron bench leg, which should be of interest to every carpenter and builder. With these legs, the lightest, most rigid, and most inexpensive bench can be easily erected. It is not necessary to fit the lumber for the bench, used with these legs. The lumber needs only to be squared at the end and put on, one board after another. All boards run continuous full lengths, without cutting into short lengths and fitting into place.

The use of the Garwood legs insures an absolutely rigid bench. There is no end sway, and the bench can be placed



Double Bench Equipped with Garwood Cast Iron Legs.

in the center of the room and still be perfectly rigid. For small woodworking shops, this bench is of great value, as hangers for shafting can be carried underneath the bench; it is not necessary to carry them from the ceiling. Garwood bench legs are made in all sizes, and standard sizes are kept in stock, so quick shipment is assured.

The company is also looking for carpenters and builders to act as agents to install these benches in garages, small work shops, homes, etc. A special proposition is offered and further particulars can be obtained by writing the Garwood Bronze & Iron Works, Garwood, N. J.



House Moving Trucks for Building Contractors

Very often the building contractor is called upon to move buildings from one location to another. To do this work economically he must have the proper tools.

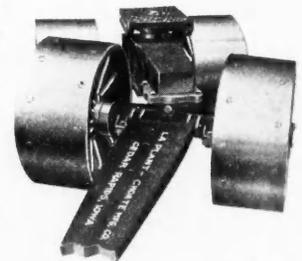
The LaPlant-Choate Manufacturing Company, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, have designed house moving trucks for this work. Their latest model is the all-steel "Giant" truck shown in the illustration. The entire truck is made of Bessemer steel—not wood, which rots and weakens. It will stand abuse and hard work.

The new ball and socket header allows good oscillation in passing over uneven roads. The new, narrow bolster permits shorter turns.

Three of these will carry a 12-room house.

The simplicity of these steel "Giant" trucks allows its use by anyone and it is plain that a set of these trucks will save a carpenter and builder enough time and labor on three or four jobs to pay for these tools easily.

Circulars fully describing and illustrating the full line of house moving equipment manufactured by the LaPlant-Choate Manufacturing Company, 621 Eastlack Court, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, will be mailed on request.



"Giant" All-Steel Moving Truck.



Panoramic view of storage shed showing stock terra cotta for immediate delivery.

STOCK TERRA COTTA

—costs no more than ordinary terra cotta, besides effecting a saving of two to four weeks' time in delivery.

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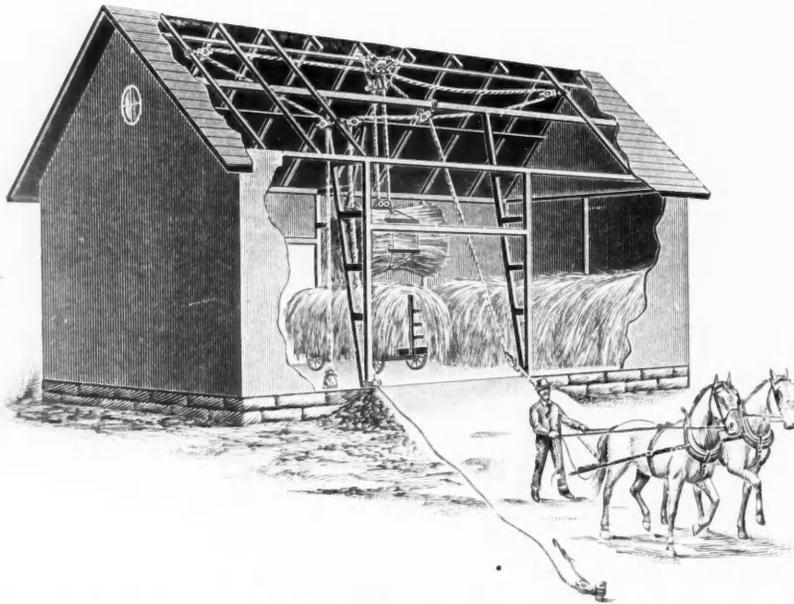


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WHEN WRITING ADVERTISERS' PLEASE MENTION THE AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER

The Cross Draft Carrier

In handling hay in a barn it is necessary first to raise the hay and then shift it to the end of the barn. For the hay rig to be at all efficient in this work there should be as little lost motion as possible.



This illustrates Ney's No. 130 Cross Draft Carrier in Operation, the First Sling-full Being Elevated. Also Showing Method of Roping the Carrier.

In Ney's cross draft carrier this operation is made extremely simple, as shown in the illustration. The operation is as follows: The load of hay, supported in a sling, is lifted to the required height by means of the draft rope. An auto-

matic lock holds the load at this height while the horses are turned around. The shift rope is then attached to the team and the load carried to the end of the barn. After the load is released the carrier is returned to its central position by the weight shown at the side of the door. The lock on the carrier is then released by a slight jerk on the draft rope. In case the hay is to be placed in the other end of the barn, the shift rope which is equipped with the weight is run out to the stake in the ground and the other has the weight fastened on it.

In this carrier it is not necessary to lift the load any more than is necessary to clear the wagon or other obstructions. It locks in any position. The elimination of many pulleys makes the draft lighter so that smaller rope can be used. This reduces cost and causes less strain on the horses. No extra trip rope is needed as the unlocking is accomplished by a slight jerk on the draft rope.

The Ney Manufacturing Company, the makers of this carrier, are located at Canton, Ohio, Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Minneapolis, Minn. They suggest that our readers send in a description of the types of barn used in their localities. The company will then send

them hay carrier information as applied to these types. The application of labor-saving devices of all kinds is as important on the farm as anywhere else. Builders can add to their business materially by handling them.

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Cleared \$80.00 in Two Days

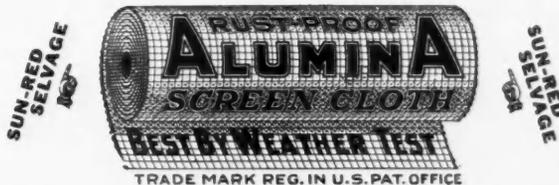
Hagen, Texas, sold 100 in two days. Webb, Pennsylvania, Contractor, averaged 10 sales per hour. O'Connell, Montana, 25 first day. Mike Bock, Minn., writes: "They are fine sellers; worked one day and sold 30 (profit \$15.00)." Harry Gassmann, Illinois: "Can sell scrapers as fast as I can get them. Overwhelmed with orders. Everybody wants scrapers; 100 already sold." Roy Burningham, Mass.: "Send 10 dozen. One week's work." Hundreds like these. You, too, can have money in abundance.

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Sells itself—you take orders—that's all. Every family wants one on their doorstep. Replaces unsightly, unsanitary, crude door mat. Automatically removes mud, dirt, snow from shoe in one operation. Cleans sole, sides, heel. Works like magic—sells like "sixty." Saves drudgery, time, money, shoes—saves carpets, floors. Mechanical wonder. Has 7 new patented features not found in any other scraper—10 steel blades—10 dirt outlets—twin adjustable and removable brushes—compound springs. Rotates for sweeping. Can't clog—practically self-cleaning. Handsomely enameled. Nothing else like it. Nothing so popular—so easy to sell. Selling price only \$1.00. You make half—100%. Satisfaction guaranteed. Write quick for free catalog—exclusive agency. Better still, send order, naming territory. Investigate anyhow.

SECURITY MANUFACTURING CO. DEPT. 208 TOLEDO, - - OHIO

ALUMINA— Best By Weather Test



Good Windows and Doors— Why Not Good Screens?

Good windows and good doors—good paint and good roofing—they are all necessary for the proper finish of a good house. *Of course!* Then don't spoil the owner's enjoyment by giving him screens that will "leak" insects the first season. *Good* screens will make you more money—and a better reputation. There's just one answer to the "better screen" question—that's

Reynolds Rust-Proof Alumina

Alumina costs little more than the cheapest cloth you could specify—it positively outlasts any other steel wire cloth of equal weight and mesh.

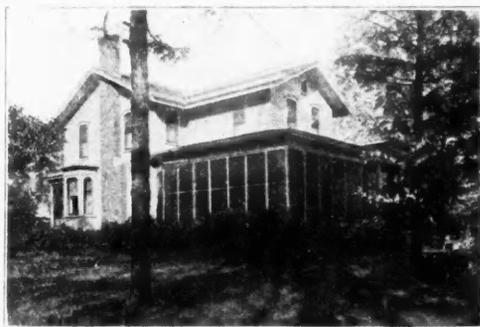
Alumina is electro-plated *after weaving*—not hot galvanized *before* weaving. There's a big difference. It means that for the same cost you can furnish screens guaranteed to look well and last long enough to satisfy anybody.

You don't paint the lumber before you build a house—you'd knock off too much paint. We don't electro-plate *Alumina* until it is woven and inspected once—after all the bending and scraping of the wire in the looms is done.

We put on ten elastic coats of chemically pure zinc. They stay on to protect the wire. Only one stiff coat can be applied by hot dipping. When it cracks, the wire rusts through in a hurry.

A distinctive trade mark strand woven into the selvage is positive proof of galvanizing before weaving, and of scraping during the weaving process. Be safe—use *Alumina*—the cloth with the Sun-Red Selvage.

Dixon Black now carries the Sun-Red Selvage trade-mark—emblem of quality—and the strongest possible guarantee.



This house is screened with *Alumina*. The annual cost of screens is less than for the average laborer's cottage. Long life and freedom from labor for repairs prove *Alumina Best by Weather Test*.

Carpenters Read This!

Put in your time this winter making screens and fitting screen porches. But don't waste high-priced labor on short-lived cloth. Write for samples and a copy of our guarantee on *Alumina*—it protects you with your customer.

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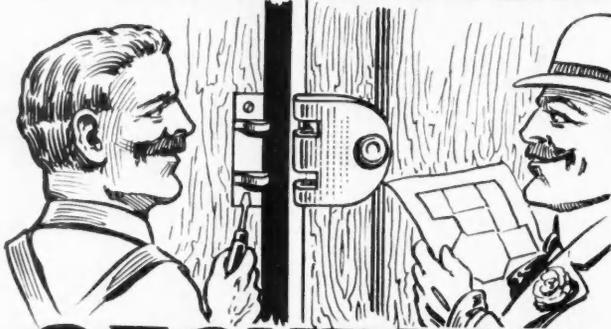
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SECURITY and Boost Your Profits

This lock can be attached to a hinged or sliding door as quickly and easily as an ordinary lock and there is *more profit* in handling the



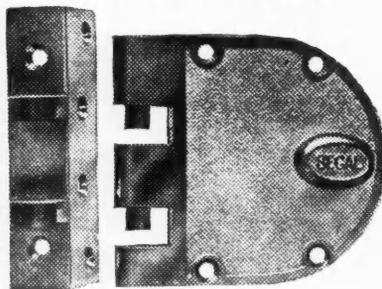
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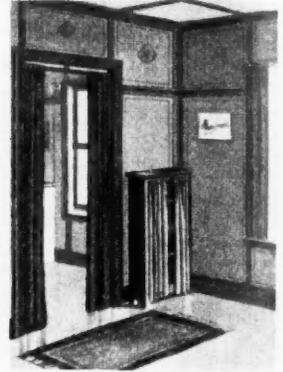
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"Rock-Board" from Rock-Ford

There is being offered our readers in this issue for the first time a new material, named so that you can't forget it—"Rock-Board from Rock-Ford." "Rock-Board" is made from selected material reduced to fibrous form and pressed into sheets of various sizes with a uniform thickness of a fraction less than 1/4 inch. It is finished in various ways. A grained surface can be put on or the surface can be finished smoothly



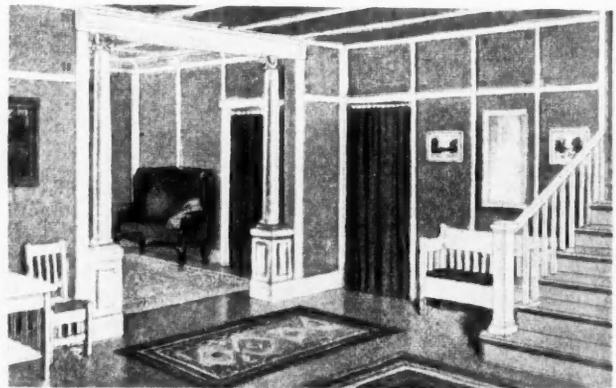
How "Rock-Board" is Nailed to the Studding. Only One Man is Necessary.



The Same Room Finished. Decorations Can be Applied as Soon as "Rock-Board" is Nailed to the Studding.

so that it is adapted to painting or tinting in any color scheme that may be chosen. The joints between the sheets may be also handled in several ways. They may be covered with wooden strips or a special filler may be used and a smooth wall made. This smooth wall may be finished with an artistic stencil which will give a pleasant appearance.

"Rock-Board" is made in two widths: either 32 or 48 inches. The length is made to suit each individual case. One length can be ordered for the ceiling. These sheets should



A Pleasing Reception Hall. There are No Limits to the Decorative Schemes Possible with "Rock-Board."

be long enough to reach across the room the way the joints run and, as they are put on first, they should reach to the wall studding on each side. The side wall boards can then be ordered of a size to fit snugly against the ceiling boards and reach to the baseboard.

The Rockford Paper Box Board Company, the makers of "Rock-Board," will be glad to furnish particulars to our readers, showing how this material can be utilized for getting winter business. Their address is Rockford, Ill. They are prepared to send, on request, samples showing the construction and finish that is used on their product. The accompanying illustrations show two interiors finished in "Rock-Board" and also the method of applying the same to the walls.

We suggest that our readers write to them and get the samples of their material and descriptions of how it is used. Don't forget the name—"Rock-Board from Rock-Ford."

CHRISTMAS GIFTS that Count for Something!

Not mere passing conveyers of setiment, to grow shabby or forgotten in a week, but a **quality** hammer or hatchet with real practical day-in-and-day-out value—that's what the man who does things will appreciate. He knows good tools, too, knows the niceties of balance and design, quality of material and workmanship—that's the reason you'll please him best with

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OUR NEW SINGLE BEVEL HALF HATCHETS are in every detail the finest tools of their kind that can be made. Thin bit, splendid balance, perfect cutting edge of single bevel hewing a straight line. Handle of second growth hickory, octagon shaped and swell ended. Individually tempered and tested. Drives nails like a hammer. Two sizes:—**\$1.50 each.**

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MASTER BUILDER HAMMERS are made in every style for every purpose. The Adze Eye Nail illustrated here is a general utility hammer that cannot be beaten. Hammer-forged from the finest steel for the purpose obtainable, individually tempered and subjected to the most severe tests. Nail holding attachment in claw for overhead work. Three styles:—11 oz., 16 oz., 20 oz., **Each, \$1.00.**

See these tools at your dealers. Examine them carefully and you will readily see why they have been the choice of master builders all over the country for a half century.

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Fiberlic "White House" Exhibits

Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey, boasts of one of the finest and most modernly constructed bungalows along the Atlantic Coast. It faces a boulevard that connects two important seaside resorts and commands the attention and favorable comment of passers-by.

As you pass into the entrance of this bungalow thru the craftsman front door, you are immediately impressed with



Artistic Bungalow at Atlantic Highlands, N. J., with Interior Decoration of "Fiberlic."

the attractive and aristocratic appearance of the walls and ceilings. In fact, every room in the bungalow gives one the same impression.

The designer and builder of the "White House" have taken into consideration every detail that would make for attractiveness, convenience and safety, both as to exterior and interior.

The big interior problem in constructing this bungalow was the selection of an indestructible, fire-resisting surfacing. After a thoro investigation, "Fiberlic" was selected. This is

one of the latest development in wall board and is manufactured by The Fiberlic Co., Camden, N. J.

This Company claims many superior features for "Fiberlic." In its manufacture the Fiberlic Company uses a chemical treatment and not a mechanical treatment. This chemical treatment preserves the fibre lengths of the raw material, and makes for strength and durability in the finished product. This process also makes the board absolutely odorless and sanitary.

The Fiberlic Company endeavors to co-operate with builders and contractors and for this purpose maintains an Architectural Department, which is always at their disposal in the matter of furnishing specifications and designs for wall board construction.



A New Power Tamp

Among the new machines that are to be displayed at the coming Chicago Cement Show is a power tamp made by the Miles Manufacturing Company, 309 Franklin Street, Jackson, Mich. This tamp mechanism is to be operated on the chain lift principle. It is designed so that a block machine can be mounted inside it. Various types of block machines can be used in connection with it.

This company is also making a line of automobile trailers that assist in making an automobile or truck pay on construction work.

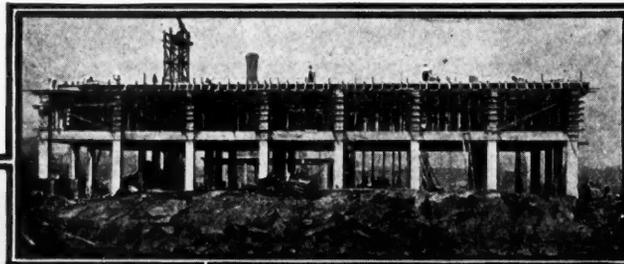
Further details can be secured from this company at the above-mentioned address.



Garage Door Equipments

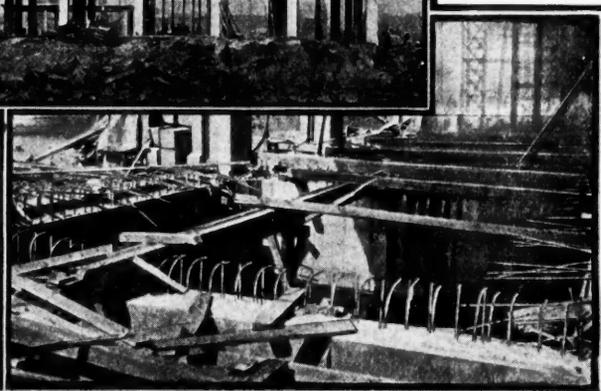
The accompanying illustrations show the inside and the outside of a garage door that is equipped with Stanley's wrought steel garage door hardware.

Another Government Job



Waterproofed
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Mill Rock
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Once again Uncle Sam has set the seal of Government approval on CERESIT as a dependable waterproofing. Each time it has been chosen for a difficult proposition—down on the Panama Canal, out in Long Island Sound for a lighthouse, and now for the Storage Warehouse shown above for waterproofing the cistern and boiler room against a seven-foot head of tidewater.



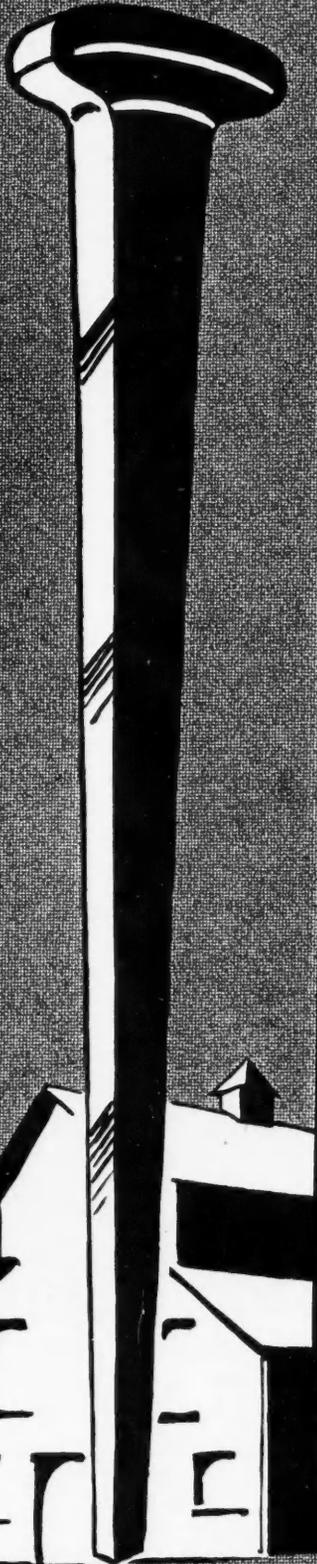
The contractor is at present using the boiler room and the cistern as storage reservoirs for his fresh water supply used in tempering the concrete for the superstructure, so that CERESIT is serving the double purpose of keeping the tidewater out and keeping the fresh water in.

Ceresit Waterproofing Compound is just as successful on the small jobs—for waterproofing basements, silos, cisterns, stucco walls, or anything in concrete and cement. Our engineers offer their services to you free of charge; they will gladly answer any question you ask them. Write for interesting information.

Ceresit Waterproofing Co.,

910 Westminster Bldg., Chicago

The Backbone of a Building —



is made up of nails

If they are:

Weak nails, they will soon rust, and give way, causing either a dilapidated appearance, or a heavy expense for repairing.

If they are Iron or steel

Cut Nails

They will not only lengthen the life of a building, but will save the cost of upkeep.

They cost less and are more efficient than other nails.

We have examples of Cut Nails that have been in service over 200 years.

As long as you have to buy and use nails, why not buy and use the best — Cut Nails. They will cost you less, both now and in the future.

Your common sense demands that you give them at least a trial before you decide.

Write to nearest manufacturer listed below for free Samples and name of nearest local dealer.

Cut Nail Manufacturers'

E. & G. Brooke Iron Co.	- - -	Birdsboro, Penna.
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Tremont Nail Company	- -	West Wareham, Mass.
Geo. B. Lessig Co.	- - -	Pottstown, Penna.
Williamsport Iron & Nail Co.	- -	Williamsport, Penna.
La Belle Iron Works	- - -	Steubenville, Ohio

Don't Let Jack Frost Drive You From The Job



Don't discontinue your building operations when winter weather sets in. Turn that period of idleness into one of profit. Keep your skilled help by keeping them busy. You can do it on **Kellastone** stuccoed buildings and you take positively no chances of loss due to freezing weather for

You Can Apply **KELLASTONE** IMPERISHABLE STUCCO In Zero Weather

with the same degree of success as on an ideal summer day. Unlike other stuccos, **Kellastone** is not mixed with water. Instead a non-freezing mixing compound is used. Temperature conditions will not cause it to expand or contract. This is just as true when it is in the mixing box or when being applied, as it is years later when that beautiful **Kellastone** exterior has withstood many severe winters. It is a non-conductor of heat, cold or dampness and consequently affords valuable protection to interior walls plastered in cold weather.

Get the Details

Send for our free literature. Know the facts. State if also interested in **Kellastone** Composition Flooring and **Kellastone** Interior Plaster. Write now.

The National Kellastone Company

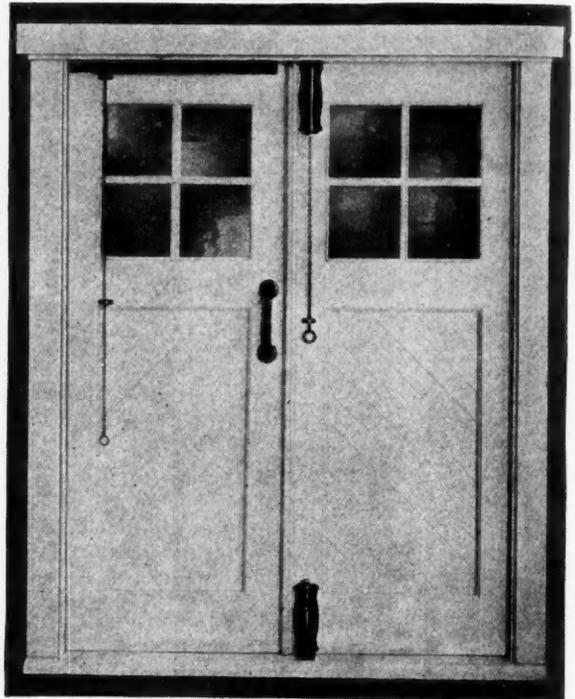
504 Association Bldg. - - - Chicago, Ill.

Here's Proof

Mr. T. P. Barnett, Archt.,
Central National Bank Bldg.,
St. Louis, Mo.
Dear Sir: Mr. W. Bovey called on me today and requested me to write you what I know of Kellastone. I have used a great deal of this material and can recommend it very highly. I have used it on the Drexel Cafe here in Chicago, on the Blackstone Cafe in Chicago, and on the First National Bank of Clarence, Ia. At both the Drexel Cafe and the Blackstone Cafe it was put on in freezing weather and the jobs speak for themselves. There is not a crack in the buildings nor any loose Kellastone on same.
You may use Kellastone with all the assurance in the world that you will not be disappointed in this material.
Yours respectfully,
F. J. Ohrenstein, Architect



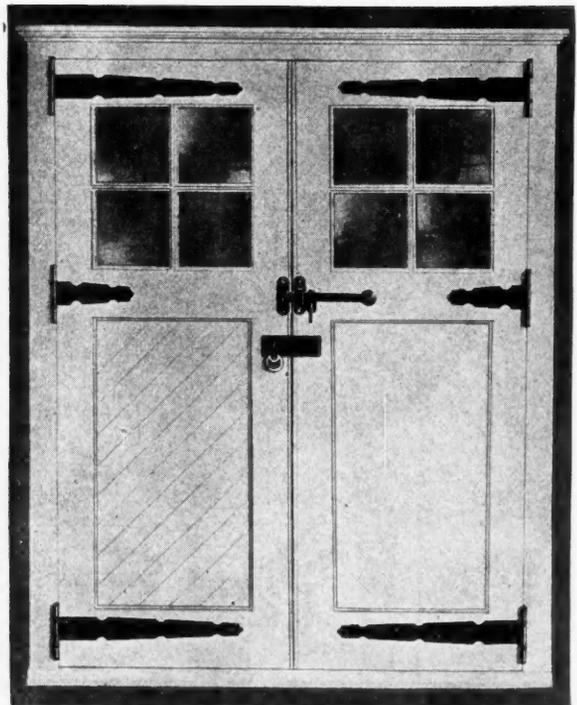
The inner view shows the foot bolt and the chain bolt at the bottom and top of the door. There is also another piece of apparatus that can be used to take the place of these two bolts. It is called the wrought steel heavy cremone bolt and



Inside of Garage Door Equipped with Stanley Garage Door Material.

reaches from the floor to the ceiling. The bolts at both the top and the bottom of the door in this arrangement are unfastened by turning a lever placed opposite the handle in the other door.

All the hinges are ball bearing, so that the door will not



Exterior of Same Door, Showing Hinges and Lock.

stick at any time. The inner view also shows the special stay that prevents the door from closing in the wind.

All this equipment is described in a small folder that can be secured from the Stanley Works, New Britain, Conn. Ask for Circular "A."

Crown Your
Buildings with

VULCANITE

Ornamental
Roofing and
Shingles



A Most Pleasing
Variety of Effects Obtainable in Colors and Designs

SAFETY AND BEAUTY

Heretofore, safety has been secured by the wealthy by using slate and tile roofs. The man of moderate means had to take chances and has repeatedly seen all he possessed destroyed by a flying spark or a fire brand.

Temporary color effects have only been possible by the use of stains and paints, but these did not withstand sun and rain for any length of time.

It has remained for the Patent Vulcanite Roofing Co. to give the public a roofing material that perfectly combines the qualities of safety, comfort and beauty at so low an initial cost, that no one now needs to put over his home such a flimsy, highly combustible and temporary covering as a wood shingle roof.

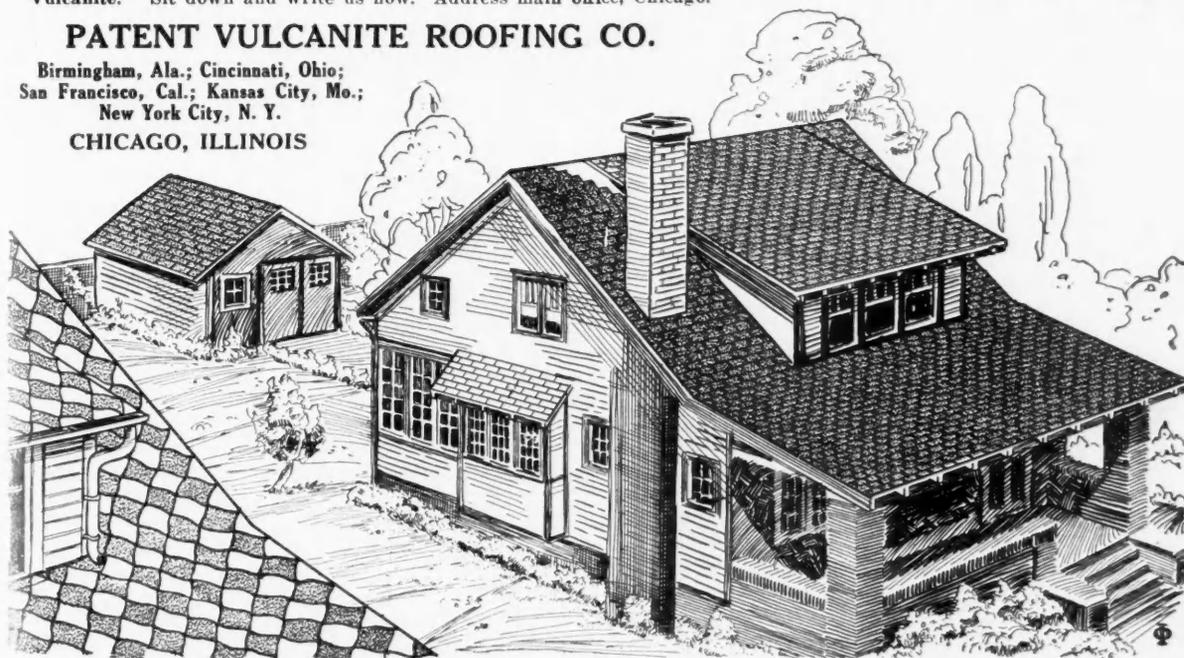
Vulcanite Roofings are an unflinching weather-proof and fire-resisting material. Twenty years' service is a reasonable expectancy. Vulcanite comes in rolls and shingles in several patterns that can be worked into a large variety of truly artistic effects.

We shall be very glad to send you our large illustrated catalogue which will show you some of our popular roofings and how they add to the appearance of a building. We'll also tell you just what we do for Builders to help them lay more "Vulcanite." Sit down and write us now. Address main office, Chicago.

PATENT VULCANITE ROOFING CO.

Birmingham, Ala.; Cincinnati, Ohio;
San Francisco, Cal.; Kansas City, Mo.;
New York City, N. Y.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS



W. E. Dunn Manufacturing Co. Now Located in Holland, Michigan

The W. E. Dunn Mfg. Co., builders of the Dunn line of Concrete Machinery and Dunn Heavy Oil Engines, have moved their entire plant and general offices from Chicago, Ill., to Holland, Michigan. For several years past this concern have felt the need of more factory space, and their removal will come as no surprise to those who have known

the difficulties under which the Dunn Company have been working.

It is interesting to note that in a comparatively short time the W. E. Dunn Mfg. Co. has risen from very modest beginnings to one of the largest manufacturers of concrete machinery in the world. The variety of their line has shown a corresponding increase.

The new Dunn factory is five times as large as the old plant, and is finely equipped to permit ideal manufacturing facilities. The building, which is of recent erection, is brick thruout, and an excellent example of modern factory construction. As a shipping point Holland is exceptionally favored, being in direct connection with all trunk railroads, and maintaining a daily freight and passenger boat service with Chicago. Shipments can be made from Holland to any point promptly and at low rates.

Catalogs on any Dunn machines or molds can be obtained



Bird's-eye View of New Dunn Manufacturing Company's Plant at Holland, Mich.

Rex-Strip Shingles

SLATE SURFACED



“Yes, I Use Them— and This Is Why!”

“Rex Strip Shingles wear longer, look better and are more practical than wood shingles.”

“They combine the durability, attractiveness, weather-protecting and fire-resisting qualities of the modern asphalt shingle with a 50% saving in the laying cost.”

“So, naturally I’m strong for them. Just think! I make a hit with the house-owner by giving him a better roofing. Further, I make a bigger profit through a big saving to me in labor costs.”

Our friend, the Builder, is right. Rex Strip Shingles *do* look better and *are* better—because they’re made that way.

And they *make* money and *save* money for close-figuring Carpenters and Builders—because the patented strip arrangement enables one man to lay the equivalent of five shingles in the time he ordinarily lays one. They save 40% in nails and the same in nailing time. No chalking—no spacing required. Obtainable in grayish green or dark red.

Drop us a line and we will explain further the economical efficiency of Rex Strip Shingles. Do so—TODAY.

FLINTKOTE MFG. CO., Inc.

BOSTON - - - - - 90 Pearl Street
 NEW YORK - - - - - 67 Beaver Street
 CHICAGO - - - - - 659 Peoples Gas Bld.

IMPORTANT:—Rex Strip Shingles are 40 inches long and 10 inches wide. The “slots” or “cut-outs” are ½ inch wide, and 4 inches deep. There are 5 shingles to a strip. The exposed portion of each shingle is 7-½ inches wide. Only 90 strips of 5 shingles each are required to cover 100 square feet of surface.



Bungalow of Chas. S. Bux, Harrisburg, Pa., roofing with Ambler Asbestos "Century" Shingles. Architect, H. F. Conover, Washington, D. C. Contractor, John Meyers, Harrisburg, Pa.

Ambler Asbestos "Century" Shingles

Competition Stimulates the Sales of this Artificial Roofing Slate

THE SUCCESS of Ambler Asbestos "Century" Shingles is a striking illustration of the truth that competition can never hamper a business that can deliver *values*.

Here is a roofing material that is right in line with the sound judgment of property owners—their ability to see the facts and their insistence on getting value for their roofing investment.

Today the roofing business has passed the stage where the property owner is willing to try anything once. He knows the facts about Ambler Asbestos "Century"

Shingles—their durability, permanence—freedom from painting and repairing—a roofing material to be depended upon.

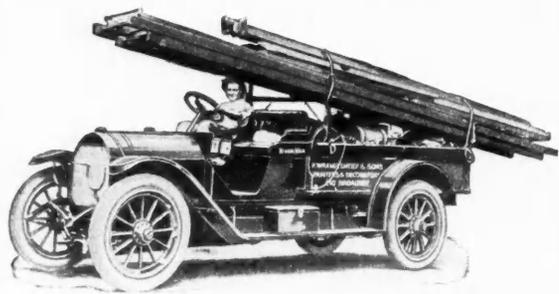
Ambler Asbestos "Century" Shingles enjoy a larger market than ever before, and one that is steadily increasing. Every day, contractors all over the country are taking up these Shingles and cashing in on their extensive popularity.

If you do not handle these Shingles, write us immediately for the facts. We will furnish you information about these Shingles—samples, terms and trade prices.

Keasbey & Mattison Company, Factors

Dept. B - Ambler, Pa.

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May we give you *specific* information about the new 1000-pound delivery at \$950? Or about the larger trucks—up to 6 tons capacity?

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Owners of KisselKar Trucks are invariably truck enthusiasts. We would like to have you know their experiences.

We would like to have them tell you of the great dependability and economy of their trucks.

We would like to have them tell you of the vastly improved service over horses, of the new consumers won through increased delivery area and the general advertising value of their vehicles.

Ask us who are using KisselKar Trucks in your line—then write to them. Also say you would like a copy of our new portfolio with 500 illustrations—it will interest you.

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by writing the W. E. Dunn Mfg. Co., 415 24th Street, Holland, Mich. A Chicago office is maintained at 624 S. Michigan Avenue.

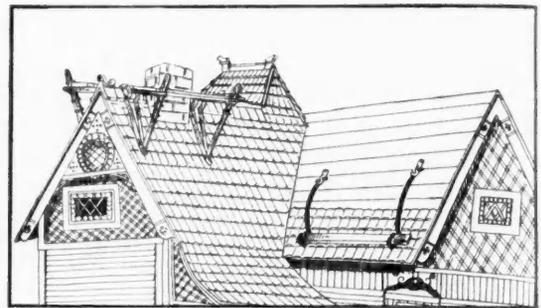


The Neville Scaffolds

We illustrate here two of the latest additions to the builders' equipment. The Neville Adjustable Scaffold for chimney building does away with the old way; of building a new scaffold for every chimney, with the consequent loss of time, waste of material and damage to the roof.

This scaffold can be used on any pitch of roof and on the ridge or side of the roof without the use of a single nail, and is used over any kind of roof covering. It is simple in construction, and will last a life time.

The Neville Shingling Bracket is an invention born of



Two Types of Neville Scaffolds as Used in Roof and Chimney Work.

necessity. It consists of a steel rod arched upward in the middle to allow the laying of the shingles under it and both ends resting on the roof, the lower end formed in a loop to hold a 2 by 4 to support the workman and the upper end with a reversible hook to secure it to the roof. Can be used on a close sheathed roof or an open one, over any kind of covering.

Circulars giving full description of either scaffold will be sent on request by The Neville Manf. Co., Kewanee, Ill.

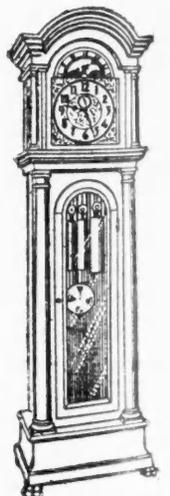


Want to Build a Clock?

Men who have made a success of the winter work problem should be glad to look into other propositions that will help them to increase this winter business. The Clock Company, 1655 Ruffner St., Philadelphia, Pa., are interested in the men who have made good on their winter work. They have a proposition to offer to carpenters and builders that they believe will help them to a large extent in this particular work.

They handle works for all kinds of clocks and furnish blueprints so that fine looking clocks can be built. They will also furnish the more complicated parts of the case or the entire case in knock down form if a man's shop facilities are not able to handle this work. By this arrangement anyone—amateur or skilled workman—can build these clocks.

They ask the opportunity of showing our readers the possibilities of this field. Full particulars will be sent out on request. The making of fancy pieces of furniture such as this should prove an attractive side line to a lot of our readers. There is always a market for work of this kind if it is done in the right way. The plans will help an energetic man to do this.

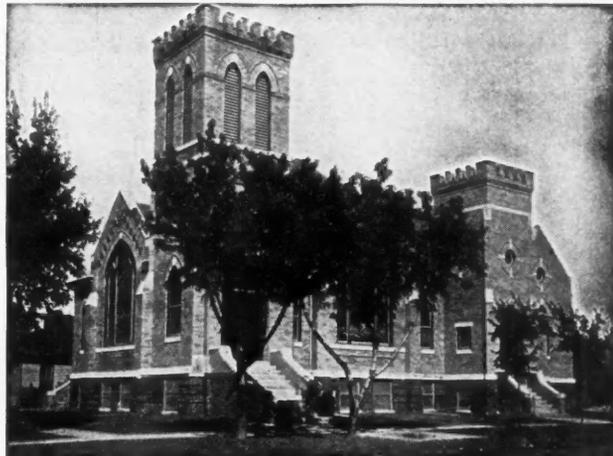


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ALFRED W. WOODS,
— ARCHITECT —

LINCOLN

NEBRASKA

----- TEAR OFF THIS COUPON and MAIL -----

Alfred W Woods, Architect,
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DEAR SIR:—

We propose building a church as per details given below. Please send us information as to what architectural service you can furnish us. It is understood that this information costs us nothing.

Proposed Cost.....

Name

Frame, Brick or Stone.....

Address

Denomination.....

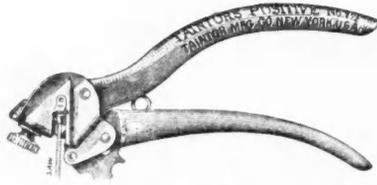
Seating Capacity.....

Town and State.....

Size and Location of Lot.....

Price of Taintor Saw Set Reduced

The unique method adopted by a manufacturer to contribute his share towards giving his carpenter friends a Merry Christmas is by reducing the price of a tool during the holidays. This is being done this season by a well-known saw set manufacturer who is offering his latest model tool for the year at a special price.



The Taintor Double Plunger Saw Set.

There is no better Christmas gift than a saw set for the carpenter's wife to give her husband, for the carpenter to give his fellow workmen or for the mechanic to purchase for himself.

In order that carpenters may have an opportunity to obtain a practical Christmas gift at the lowest price and with the least trouble, the manufacturer of the Taintor positive saw sets offers to the readers of this publication their latest No. 7½ double plunger saw set for considerably less than the regular price. The double plunger gives two plungers in one—one side for fine teeth and the other for coarse. The offer at this special price expires December 31, 1915.

Turn to their announcement on another page or send a postal to the Taintor Manufacturing Company, Department B, 113 Chambers Street, New York, and you will receive full particulars.



Name "All-Year Car" Exclusive

ORIGINATOR OF THE ALL-YEAR IDEA SAY COMPETITORS MUST REFRAIN FROM USING TRADE NAME

The advent of the convertible car has developed an interesting situation. Kissel brought it out last year and applied a

name and gave it wide newspaper publicity. The public responded and this year other manufacturers began to make detachable tops. Then something happened. The trade name Kissel originated and applied, the "All-Year Car," began to creep into the literature and advertising of other manufacturers. At this juncture Kissel stepped in and said: "Stop!"

"We expected competitors to follow us on the 'All-Year Car,' as they did on the divided front seat and the two-door body," says George A. Kissel, president of the Kissel Motor Car Company, "but we must object to the use of our trade name. We designed and brought out the convertible car in 1914, and to make the identity of our product doubly sure, we applied the trade name, 'All-year Car' and spent thousands of dollars to let the public know about it."

Kissel conceived the two-door corridor car, which is now being generally used by many automobile manufacturers. The "All-Year Car" is the natural evolution of the two-door body. The Kissel "All-Year Car" is tremendously successful. It solves an economic question in supplying a single car for continuous use thruout the year—as an open car in summer, and as a closed car in winter.



Laying Brick from Scaffolds

In laying brick from a scaffold it often happens that the wall becomes sprung because of the weight of the scaffold.

The accompanying illustration shows a scaffold that can be erected without this danger and with strength enough to insure it against collapse when the men are at work. Contractors all over the country have commented on the fact that their men do more work than formerly because they are not afraid of the scaffold's falling.

The "Trouble Saver" scaffolds, as they are called, are

Learn to Be a Draftsman and Draw Your Own Plans

By means of these two books the contractor, builder or carpenter can advance by easy steps from the first principles of drafting room practice to the complete work of an architect's office, including drawing to scale, tracing, detailing, lettering, rendering, designing, etc. He can combine the work of the architect and builder. He will learn not only how to plan the structure, but how to lay out the work, specify the materials and finish, make the contracts, and take complete charge. A complete set of plans with every dimension, all sizes of windows, doors, etc., is shown in these books. This serves as a guide as it shows the process from the preliminary sketch to the finished plan.

Radford's "Mechanical Drawing" is a book of 272 pages, with 165 illustrations, and a supplement showing perspective views and floor plans of 41 brick, cement and frame residences.

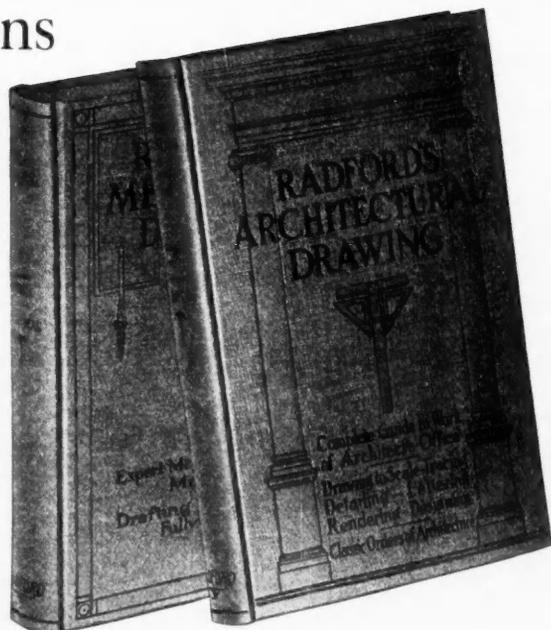
Radford's "Architectural Drawing" is a book of 304 pages, with 147 illustrations and a supplement showing perspective views and floor plans of 41 brick, cement and frame residences.

Each book is printed on high-grade paper, bound in cloth, is 6x9 inches and has a beautiful illuminated cover.

Don't Depend on Another Man's Brains

Develop your own ideas. Be in a position where you can work a customer's hazy suggestions into a tastefully arranged, complete plan, showing all dimensions.

One of these books and a year's subscription to the American Carpenter and Builder for only \$2.00, the regular price of the magazine alone. Both volumes and a year's subscription for \$3.00.



American Carpenter and Builder

1827 Prairie Ave., Chicago

It Is Cheaper to Prevent Fire Than Put It Out

There is a strong tendency toward greater safety in construction through the use of fire-retarding building materials. Building and repairing operations are now being planned and you have a splendid opportunity to not only profit yourself, but to promote the better building movement by recommending—safe, sanitary, fire-retarding

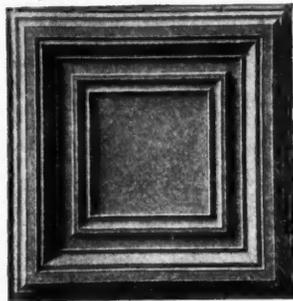


At the recent official fire test Steel Ceilings resisted for one hour and ten minutes (entire duration of test) the extreme average heat of 1366°. Wood Lath and plaster fell in twelve minutes. Think of the difference!

Many a building has been saved because steel ceilings prevented a blaze from spreading.

Berger's Metal Shingles

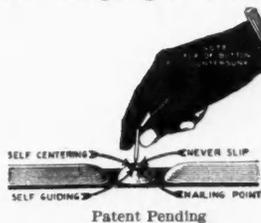
Are made from heavy gauge metal that lasts and protects the building from sparks and burning embers. Extra high corrugations with knife edge finish at the top and our three-point contact side lock make a perfectly wind and water-proof roof.



Colonial Panel No. 4056

Berger's "Classik" Steel Ceilings are safe, sanitary and fire-retarding and on account of our patented bead and button construction the cost of erection is reduced from 25% to 40%.

No Tamping or Calking!



Our New "Berco" Design

The design shown above is our latest. Note its simple dignified lines giving an especially attractive tile effect. Other popular designs are illustrated in colors in our new Metal Shingle and Spanish Tile Book. The book is free to contractors and carpenters who want to give their customers safer and better roofs. Ask for special Ornamental Roofings Book E. A. B.

We have over 500 designs, including every period and style of architecture. The patterns range from the highly ornamented to the plain stately designs. In decorating, charming plastic effects are obtained at a cost much lower than hand fresco work of equal character. Write for our design book D. A. B.

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New principle, low price, perfection of work, ease of operation, speed—I consider this machine one of the **most brilliant inventive achievements of the present age** in household necessities. **Just out.** No competition. It is selling faster than anything ever heard of—**going like wildfire.** Every home a customer—every customer a friend.

PROFITS START FIRST DAY

No waiting or guessing. You need no experience. **No charge for territory.** Just follow easy instructions. Failure impossible. The price of only \$1.50 each makes a sale at every house—**cash business at 200 per cent. profit to you right on the spot.**

The biggest opportunity ever offered to hustlers—men and women—who want to make money quick and fast.

SUCCESS ASSURED

No talking necessary—just show the machine—a one-minute demonstration gets the order in your book—and every time you deliver a machine your bank account gets a hearty meal and grows with exciting rapidity. Wouldn't you like to be able to draw your check for \$5,000 at the end of this year, and all from new money earned in cash?

Frank Greene sold 45 first three days—**profit, \$45.** F. Hughes, of San Francisco, **made \$21 first 8 hours.** T. F. Speakman at Gainesville, Ala., just took 36 machines right out and left one on trial at every home along the street. **Not a one came back on his hands**—every one was kept and paid for in cash—**profit, \$36**—and he didn't have to use a single word of argument.

They virtually sell themselves. L. M. Parker, of Glen Allen, Ala., put out 108 machines the same day. All were kept and paid for but one—**profit, \$107.** Can you beat that? **How would you like to get behind a job like that?**

Mail Your Application Today

This is my warning to you, if you want this position—**don't delay.** Get your county under contract. To wait means possibly to lose. Write me a letter or a postal card **today.** If you are honest and willing to work **I will give you the position.** Do not let someone else get ahead of you. I want agents, general agents and managers. **Write today**—then you will have done your part. **Do it right now.**

Address

H. F. WENDELL, Pres.,

Wendell Vacuum Washer Co.,

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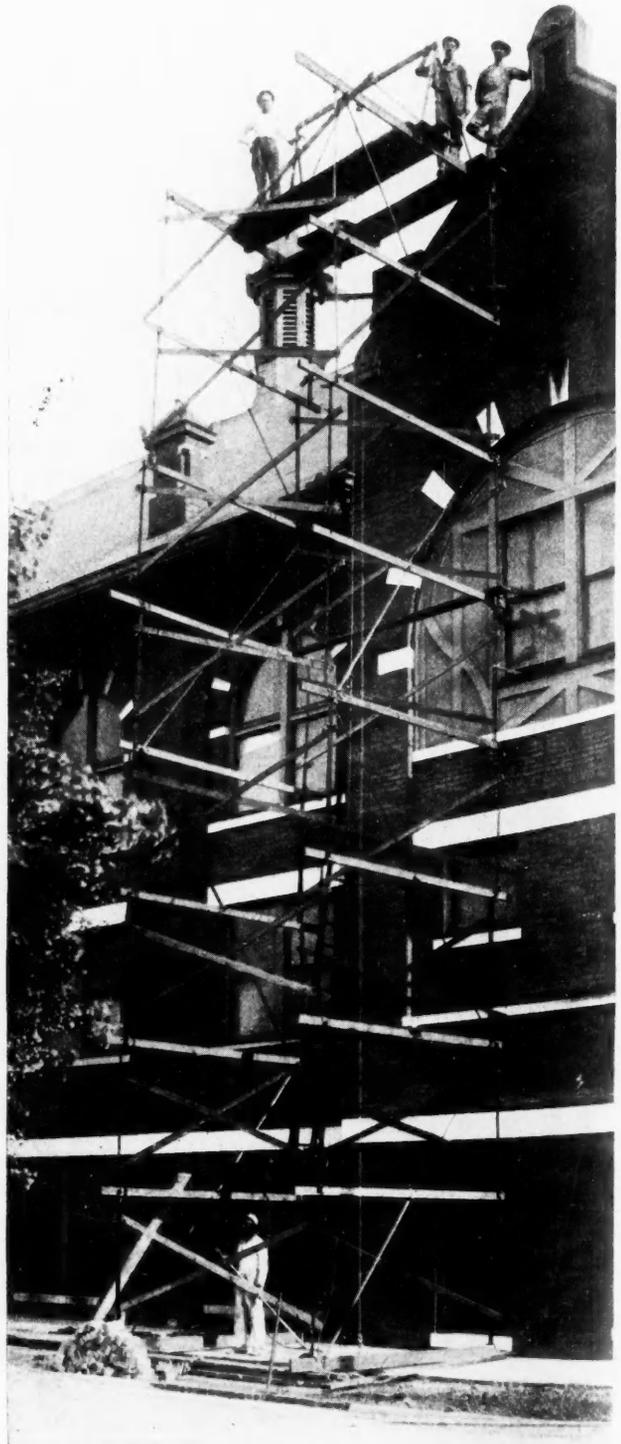
Selling Price \$1.50

Every machine sold on money back guarantee. A child can use it. Abolishes labor of wash day. Women discard \$15 and \$20 machines for it. Weighs but two pounds—washes in three minutes. **Works like magic.** Every woman eager to buy—every buyer glad to tell others. Start today.

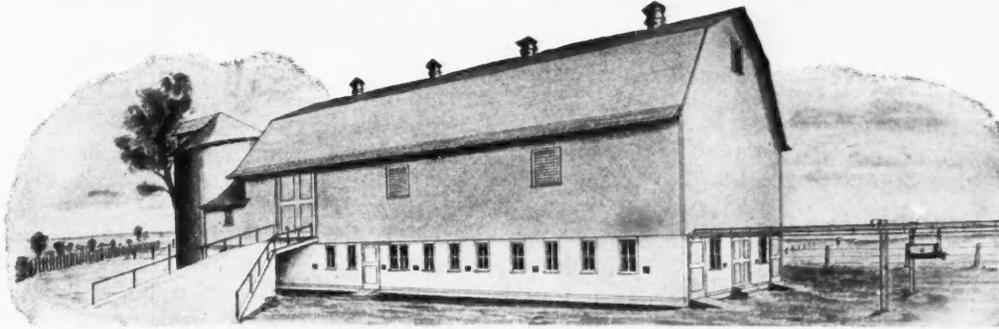
made in sections of 4½ feet, and are bolted together so as to form a scaffold as high as is needed. Another feature of their construction is the running board for the hod men and the wheelbarrows which is placed 4 feet below the scaffold that the masons work on. This makes for more speed, as the various workers do not get in each other's way.

The illustration shows the scaffold as applied to a tall building with several sections in place.

This building help is made by The Steel Scaffolding Co., Evansville, Ind. They will be pleased to send our readers complete details and prices.



"Trouble Saver" Scaffolds for Erecting Brick Building.



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Are you going to secure your share of the barn contracts to be awarded in the near future? You will agree with us that this work is of a profitable nature, and especially so in view of the assistance we offer. Our Free Service Bureau is maintained for the benefit of all those interested in better barn construction and equipment. Floor Plans are submitted without expense or obligation, and any additional information is promptly furnished upon application.

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Investigate and determine the prospective barn builders in the community, then call on us for any assistance relative to interior arrangement, construction, ventilation, etc., and see to what extent Porter Service serves. New Barn Plan Booklet and complete catalog furnished upon receipt of your letter containing the names of parties who expect to build or remodel barns. **Write today and learn more about modern barns and equipment.**

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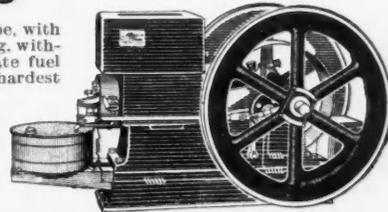
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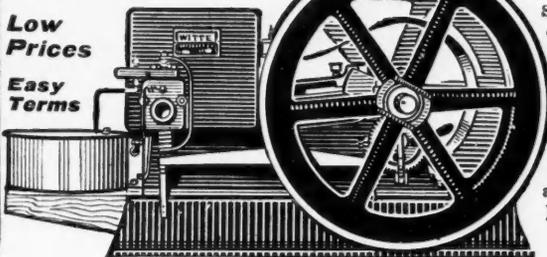
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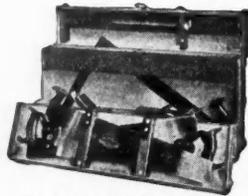


Indestructo Carpenters' Tool Cases

No doubt you have wished many times that you had a tool case lighter and handier than your old wooden chest. Wedell & Boers, 157 Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, Mich., make such cases, known as the "Indestructo" carpenters' tool cases.

These cases are neat, light and strong—made in suit case style, and will carry just as easily. You save all dray and cartage expenses and are never delayed in your work, as you can take the case with you on trolley cars or trains. If you wish to check it, don't fear; it will stand the roughest wear, as it is practically indestructible.

No carpenter can build a case as good and as strong as the "Indestructo" for the price; the cost of the material will be as much, without counting labor.



Tools Carried in Indestructo Case.

Says "Ceil-Board" Can be Wallpapered

In a recent article in this paper it was stated that the manufacturers of wallboard do not recommend the use of wall paper for the reason that it invariably cracks at the panel joints.

Mr. Schaefer, manager of the wallboard department of the Philip Carey Company, 1021 Wayne Avenue, Lockland, Cincinnati, Ohio, takes exception to this statement and says that "Ceil-Board" is recommended by them for all kinds of interior decorating, including papering. He states that "Ceil-Board" is so thoroly water and dampproofed that it will not shrink or swell in any way and consequently will not crack wall paper along the panel joints. It has been tried in this method of construction and has shown its ability to hold

the wall paper surface in fine condition.

"Ceil-Board" can be obtained in a plain surface that is suitable for all kinds of decorating or it can be had in a wood grain surface that does not have to be decorated.

Winter Profits in Sash Holders

Contractors, carpenters and builders amongst other things have the job every fall and spring of putting on and taking off storm windows, doors, etc., thus meeting various homeowners in the smaller towns who undoubtedly have a hundred and one things which can be done by Mr. Mechanic. Thruout this country and among the readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER the opportunity exists for putting some device in the many windows which have old-fashioned stops of wood and no weights or balances of any kind.

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Window Equipped for Service with Automatic Sash Holders.

Mr. Builder, here's a chance to make good money all this winter



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In use, the closet is absolutely odorless. A vent pipe provides air circulation. Ro-San Chemical destroys life matter and renders contents harmless.

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S. W. CASSIDY,
Herkimer, N. Y.

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Mich.
About six months ago I visited a relative who had a Wolverine Chemical Closet installed in their farm home. I saw the great possibilities of selling an outfit of this kind in villages and small towns where they have no sewers, also to people living on farms and in rural districts. I got in touch with the Dail Steel Products Co., and secured a contract for a county agency. That was about six months ago. I now consider my contract worth at least \$2,500.00; in fact, I would not trade my business for any plumbing business in the county.

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Yours truly,
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This letter, from our Saginaw, Mich., Contractor-Agent, is typical of what hundreds in your line are doing—and you can do the same with the

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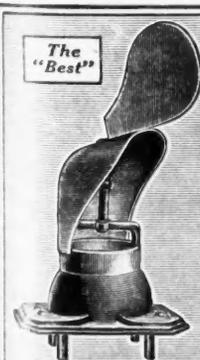
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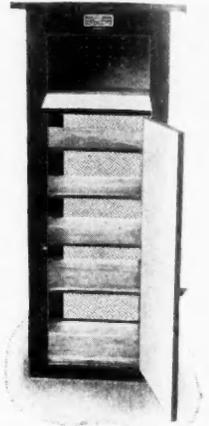
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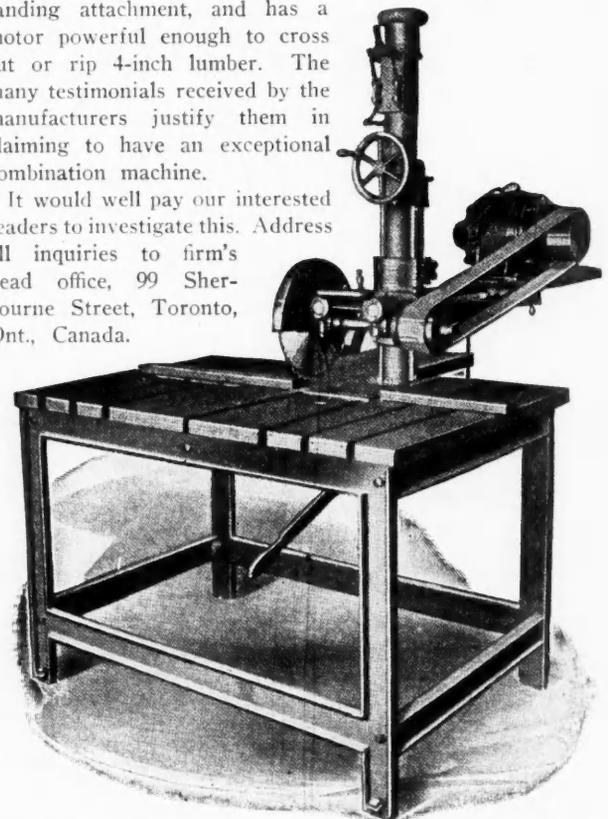


Dumbwaiter Carriage with Metal Bread Box at Top.

The Hutchinson Combination Woodworker

This cut illustrates a machine which should be of exceptional interest to all men in the woodworking business. It is a machine which is practically indispensable to the wide-awake carpenter. It is a portable machine, and can be set up on any job in fifteen minutes. It can be used for crosscutting, ripping, dadoing, boring, sandpapering, etc. In cross cutting, the saw is pulled through the lumber. It moves very easily, as the rods are fitted with ball bearing rollers. The machine swings on the post, so that it can be set and locked to cut at any required angle. The saw can also be raised 8 inches, so that practically any thickness of lumber can be handled. It is equipped with rip saw, cross cut saw, boring attachment, sanding attachment, and has a motor powerful enough to cross cut or rip 4-inch lumber. The many testimonials received by the manufacturers justify them in claiming to have an exceptional combination machine.

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General Arrangement and Parts of the Hutchinson Combination Woodworker.



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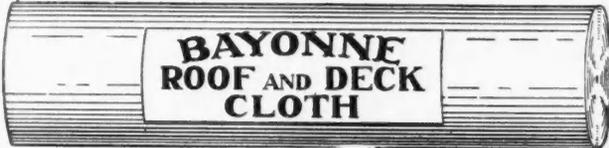
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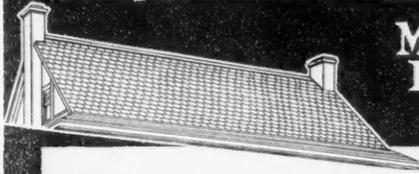
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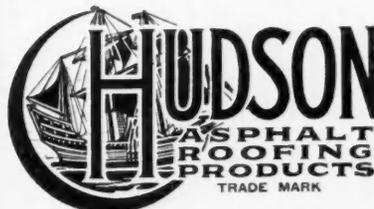
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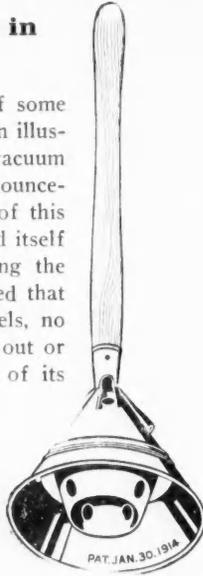
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Simplicity Marks Genius in Invention

Not infrequently the very simplicity of some invention gives it the stamp of genius. An illustration of this fact is in the Wendell vacuum and compress washing machine, an announcement of which appears on another page of this issue. This machine is said to have proved itself a marvel of speed and efficiency in doing the family washing and is so cleverly designed that there are no moving parts, no cog wheels, no valves—in fact, there is nothing to wear out or get out of order in any way. Because of its simplicity and effectiveness, it is claimed that it is the fastest selling washing machine that has ever been invented.

These machines are made by the Wendell Vacuum Washer Company, 900 Oak Street, Leipsic, Ohio. They are offering an agency proposition to builders and full details and particulars can be secured from them.



The Simple Construction of the Wendell Vacuum Washer.

New Styles in Birch Trim

No other feature of a building proclaims the period of its construction so definitely as the style and method of finishing the trim. Architects who design homes have perfected styles of trim that might well be called by their period names, had building adopted such names for styles in residence structures.

Of late years much attention has been given to the work of perfecting methods of finishing the different woods, employing the particular kinds of treatment that is best adapted to the kind of wood used.

The most distinctive treatment given birch is known as the Silver Gray finish. This is the name of a justly popular stain which is applied to the wood and subsequently waxed or varnished. It gives to an apartment an air of cool cleanliness that is very pleasing.

Another popular method of finishing birch trim, and one now much used, is to coat the plain surfaces with white or gray enamel and stain the window stools and the moulding on the door caps dark mahogany.

In stair work the risers, balusters and base are enameled and the rail, sometimes the newel posts, are stained mahogany. The idea is to use sufficient color to break the even effect of the enamel and to give the room a distinctive appearance.

Dutch Brown also is being employed extensively. This treatment, waxed or varnished, brings out the figure of rotary cut birch veneer to excellent advantage.

Birch is the one native hardwood of high physical qualities that give the user choice of many excellent wood effects. A house trimmed with birch may be finished in almost any way the owner elects.

A Single Roll Floor Surfer

The American Floor Surfacing Machine Company have been handling in the past three types of machines. One is the "Big American," for wood floors, and the "American Champion" and "American Cove Base Polisher," for cement, tile, marble and composition floors.

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**Plenty of Work This Winter—
If You Own a**



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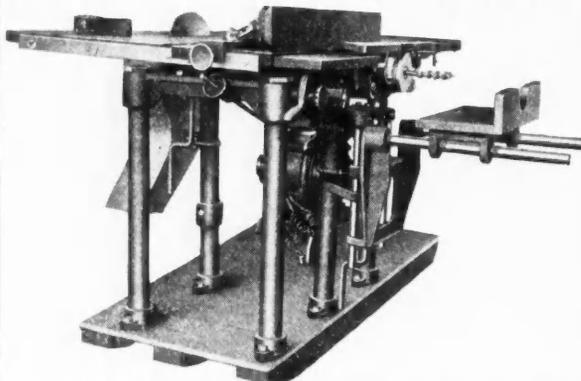
A man with this valuable piece of equipment can do any number of things during the slack season. He can make all sorts of interior improvements—such as built-in side-boards, medicine cabinets, stair work and cabinet work. He can also be getting ready for next year—making sash and doors, exterior and interior trim, etc. Many Builders have paid for this machine and made a handsome profit, too, during the winter season.

A Machine for all Purposes

The BERLIN heavy duty Portable Saw Rig consists of a Rip Saw, Cross Cut Saw, Dado Saw, Grooving Maching, Jointer, Jig Saw, Boring Machine, Sander and Emery Wheel. It comes equipped with either a gasoline engine or electric motor mounted on its own base. It is easily moved from job to job and is strong and rigid. Guaranteed for two years.

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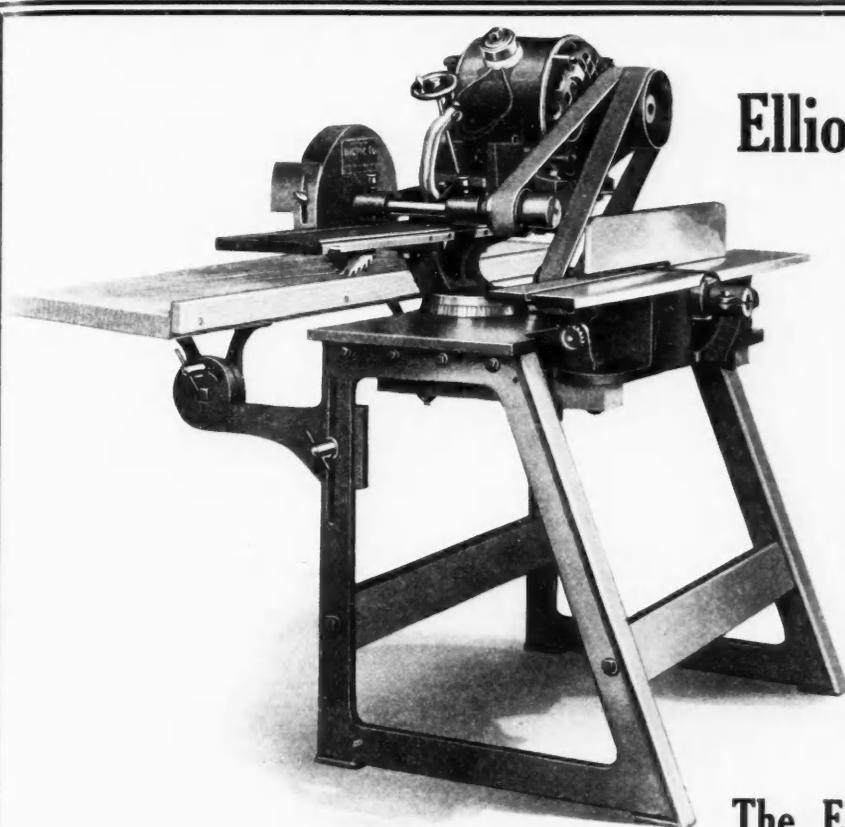
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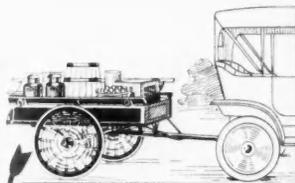
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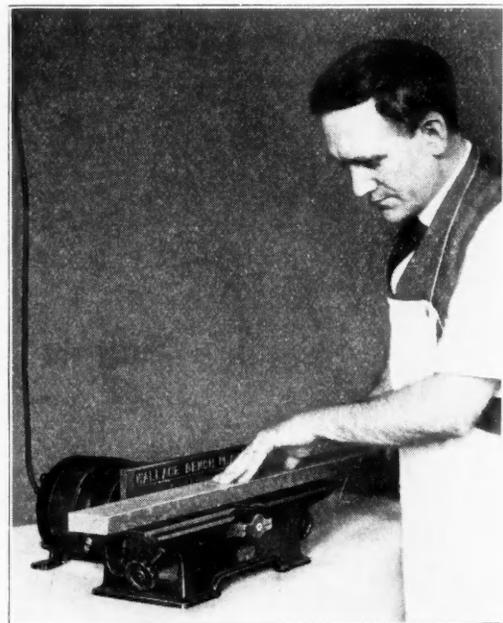
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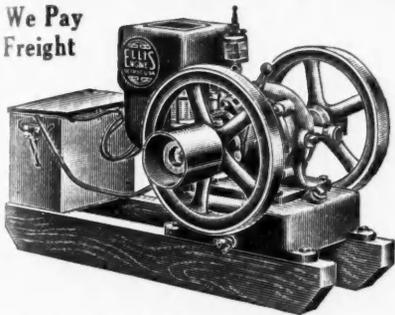
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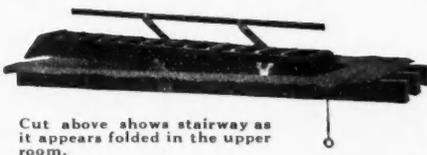
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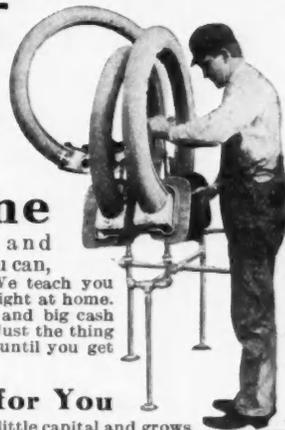
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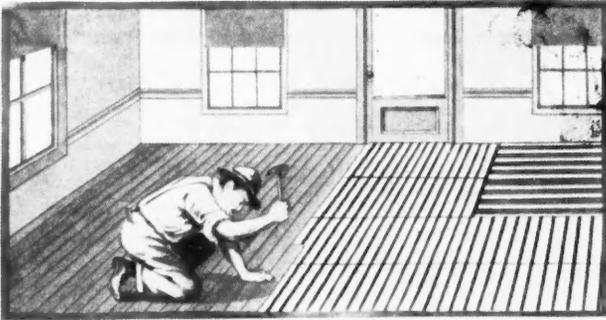
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"Its Strength is in the Dovetail Joint"

A booklet has been recently issued by the Mastic Wall Board & Roofing Company, 678 Este Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, entitled "Built on the Wisdom of Ages." This booklet gives a most complete description of the construction and use of Bishopric stucco or plastic board and also Bishopric Sheathing.

Bishopric sheathing is made exactly like the stucco board except that the lath are not dovetailed, but are square the same as ordinary lath. The illustration shows the application of this sheathing under a floor for a sound deadener and to keep out dampness and cellar dust. When used in this way, the sheathing is generally placed with the lath



Bishopric Sheathing Used Under Flooring for Sound-Deadening and Damp-Proofing.

side up, as this will give dead air space between the laths and the flooring. When the sheathing is used over the rafters on the roof, it is generally placed so that the smooth side is up with the lath side against the rafters. It is placed with the lath side against the weatherboarding when it is used on

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Copies of the booklet can be obtained from the Mastic Wall Board & Roofing Co., 678 Este Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio. This company also have a sample of stucco as applied to their stucco board which they will be glad to send to contractors that are especially interested in stucco work. The sample shows how the stucco is held firmly in place by means of the dovetailed, under-cut edges of the lath on the stucco board.



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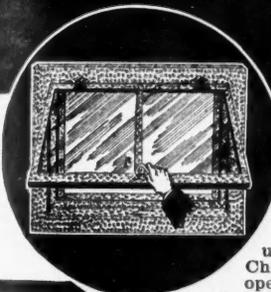
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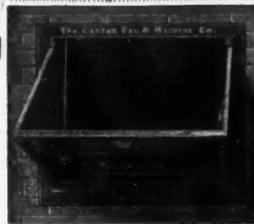
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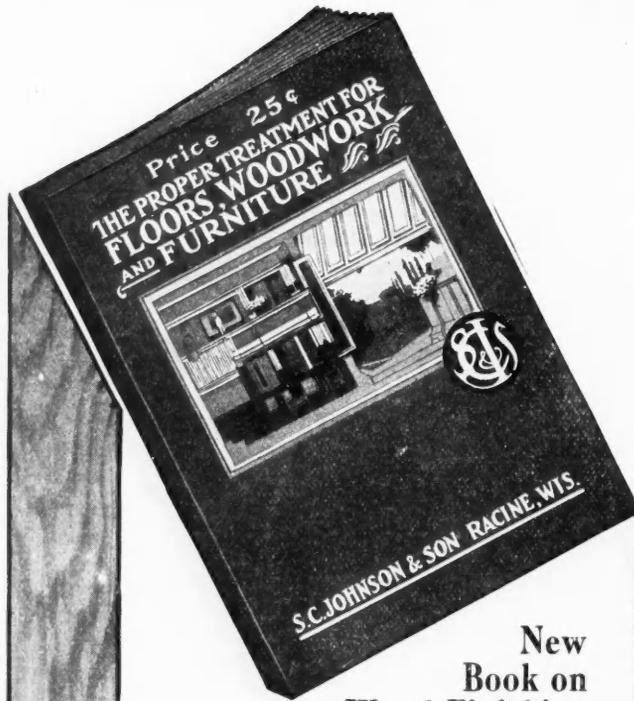
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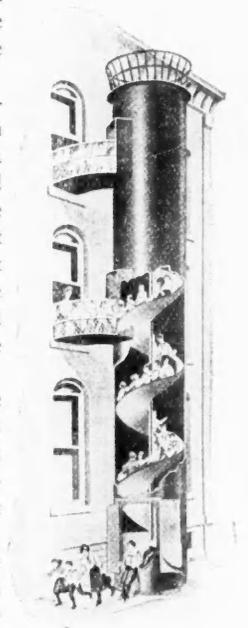
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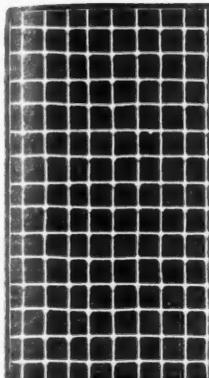
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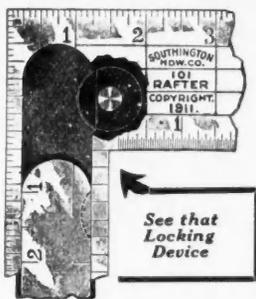
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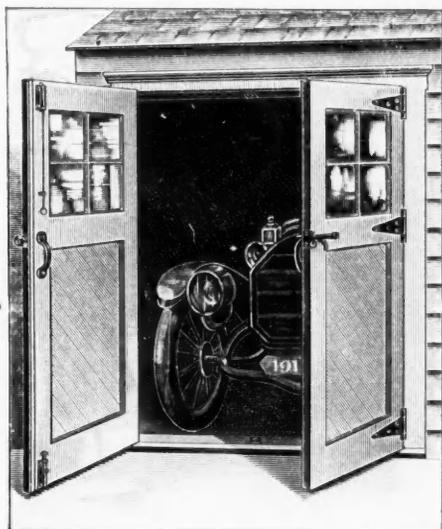
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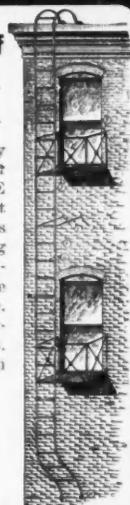


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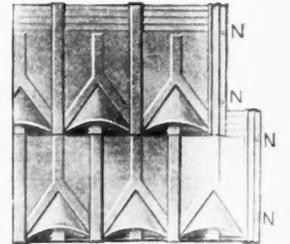
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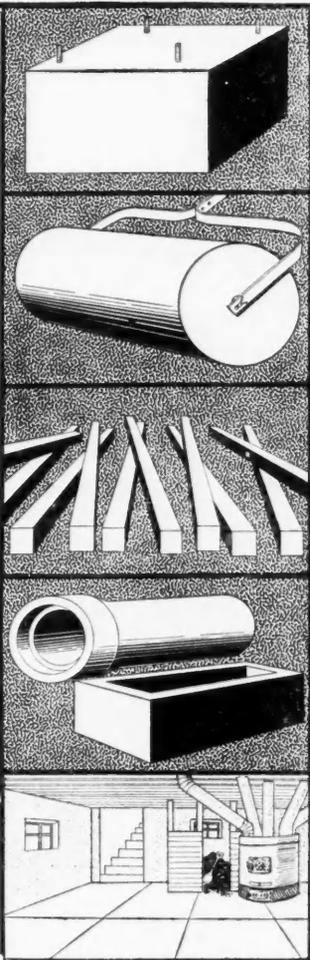
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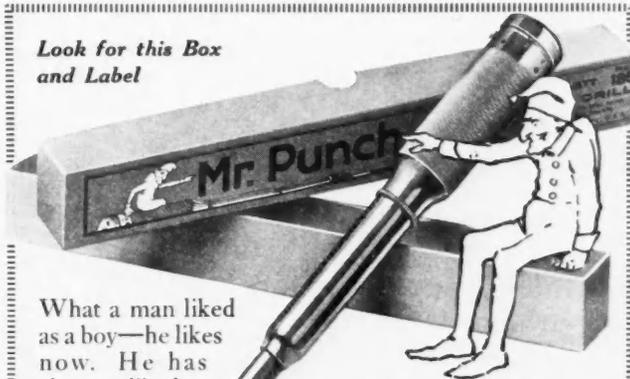
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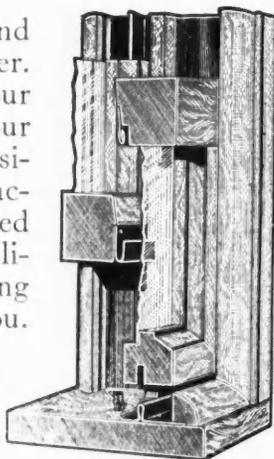
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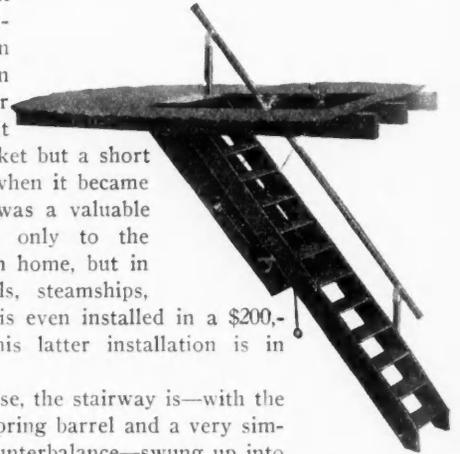
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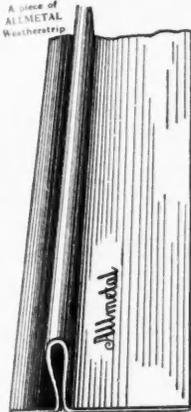
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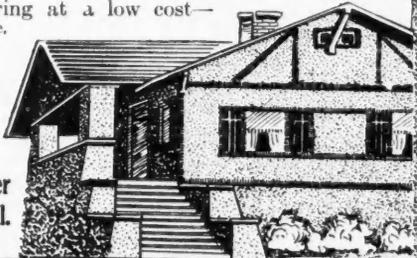
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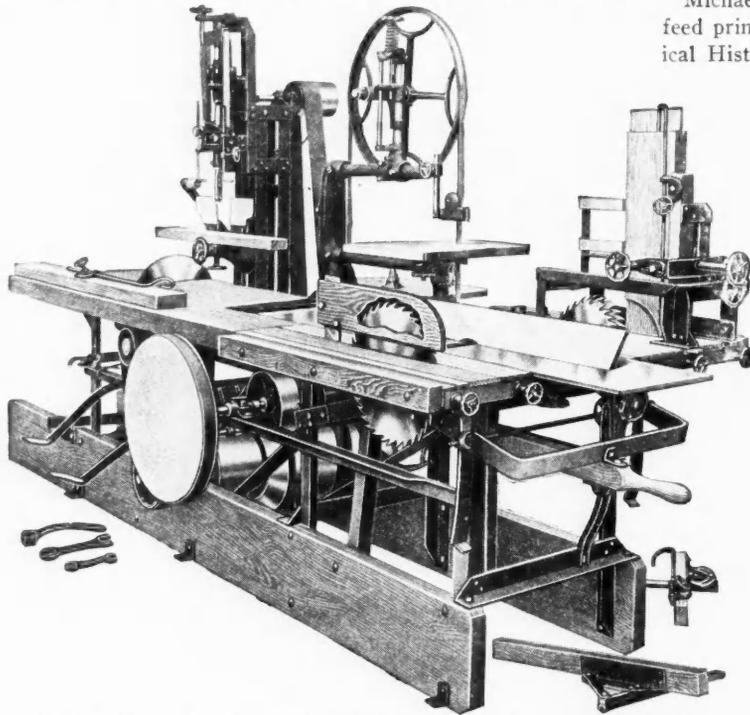
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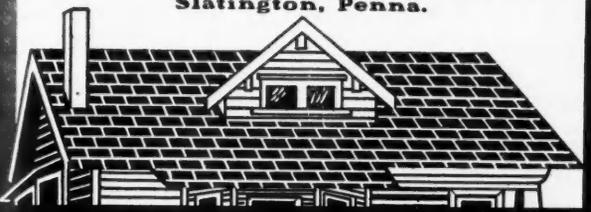
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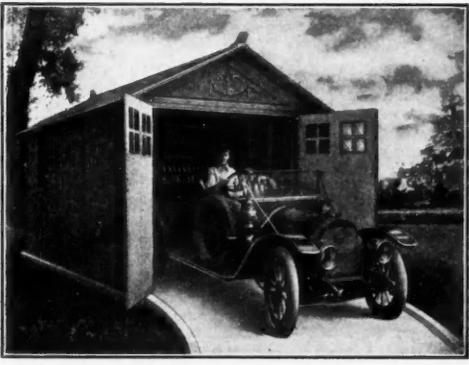
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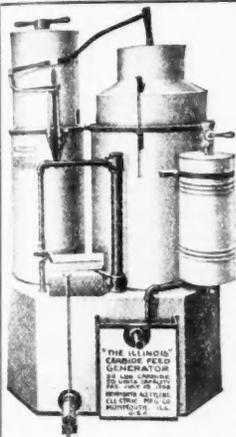
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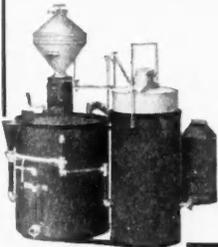
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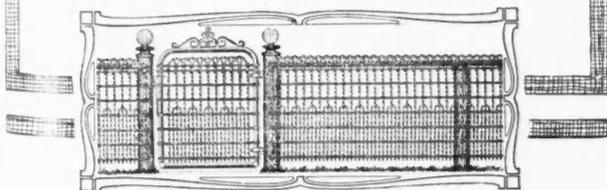
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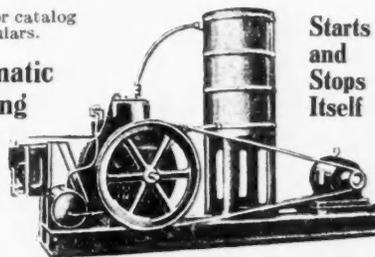
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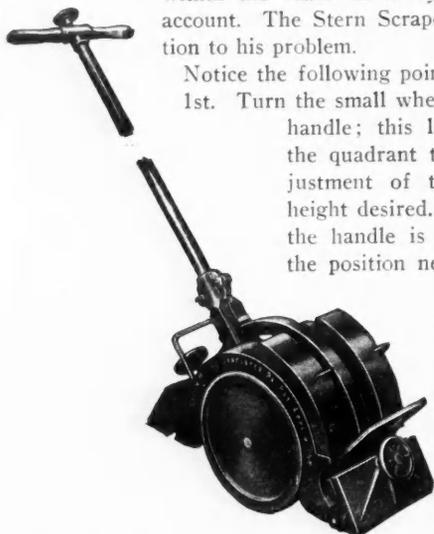
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4th. This scraper does not require any special shape or size of blade; any size up to 3½ by 7 inches will fit the

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5th. The hand holds on each end of the scraper make it easy for two men to move it from place to place.

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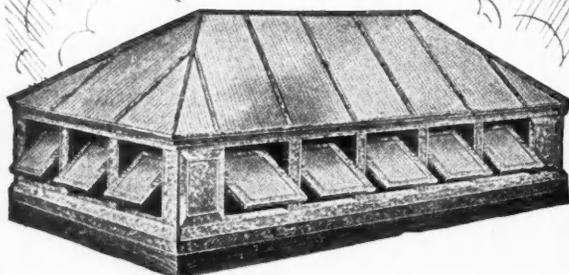
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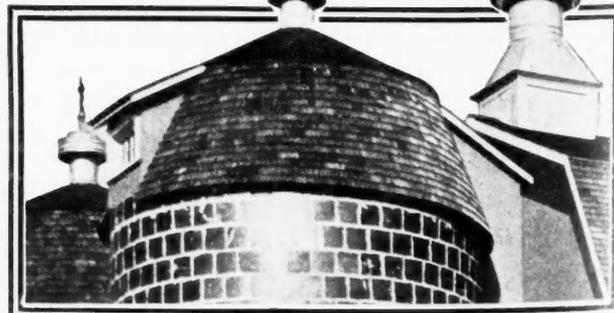
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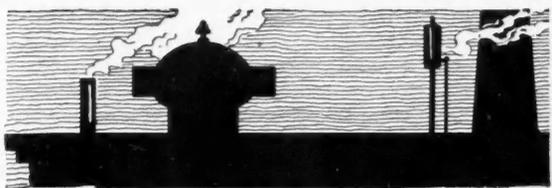
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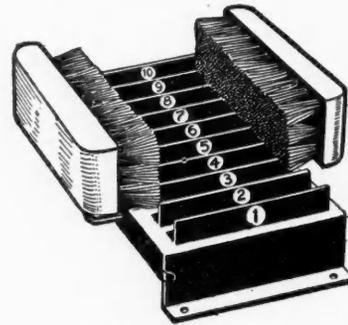
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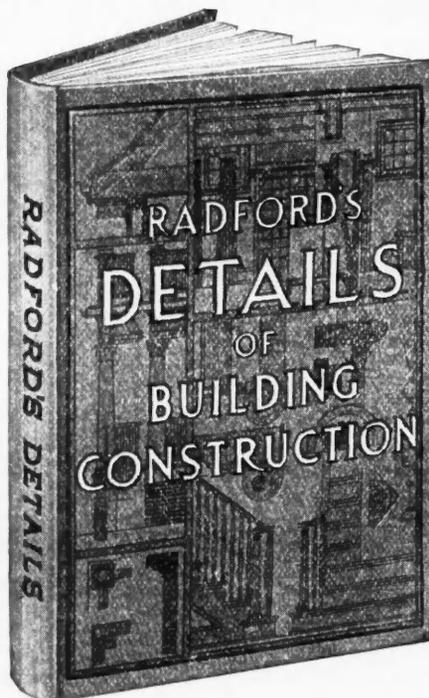
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