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Busy Season—Quick Action

Our front cover this month is a timely editorial. It presents at a glance the essence of the present building situation.

Builders have a patriotic duty this spring to build quickly. There must be no avoidable delays.

Factory additions are needed by the thousand; new industrial plants are being laid out; shipbuilding yards are being rushed to completion; the housing of workmen and their families in these industrial towns is an urgent necessity; the construction of training camps and barracks for a million men must be undertaken at once; and the building of new grain storage houses, root cellars, live stock barns and food storage warehouses on a nation-wide scale is both a patriotic and a business necessity.

All of which means full steam ahead for the building industry. This is the busy season, and there must be quick action.

Manufacturers and Dealers are Prepared

Our front cover drawing suggests a state of affairs that is in line with the facts. The concerns advertising in the AMERICAN BUILDER are ready to make quick shipments of any building materials, supplies or contractors' equipment required by our readers. AMERICAN BUILDER advertisers believe in service. A telegram or special delivery letter will hustle them right onto the job. They are ready to meet instantly any and all requirements made of them.

Remodeling of Dwelling Houses Required by Proposed State Building Law

Practically every building in the State of Pennsylvania will have to be repaired quite extensively if a state-wide building law recently reported by a special commission is enacted by the legislature. One part of the proposed law covers dwelling houses, "prior erected" as well as "hereafter erected." For the former, many provisions are made that call for extensive reconstruction or improvement work. A specimen is section 720, which specifies that incombustible fire stops must be built in above the foundation wall to a height of the first floor, a practice not common in the older dwelling houses of frame construction.

The clause reads:

a. Buildings of class IIIc prior erected shall be made rat-proof in the following manner: The void or space usually left open between the foundation and the first story and the top of the foundation wall and between the joist set upon the foundation wall shall be filled in compactly with stone, cement or concrete.

b. There shall be no openings or openings in the first floor which may lead into concealed spaces in the walls or partitions above.

A clause immediately following provides that all cellars in existing houses must have concrete floors laid in them. As the law is not restricted to buildings in towns or other organized communities, but relates to the cities, boroughs and townships, an enormous amount of rush work would be required if the act were passed.

Yours sincerely,

Editor AMERICAN BUILDER.
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Building operations throughout the country continue with but little abatement, the first quarter of this year showing a loss of only a fraction of one per cent as compared to 1916, while 1916 displayed a great gain over 1915. Hoggson Brothers, the New York and Chicago builders, announce that they started active operations in April on five buildings for banks alone in different sections.

The impression is gaining strength that while present costs of materials entering into the construction of buildings appear to be high, the prospects are for prices to go to still higher levels. The American Architect points out that inasmuch as a dollar will buy only three-fourths as much of any commodity as it would three years ago, the cost of building is in practically the same ratio to former costs.

“It is possible to enumerate one reason after another in favor of the contention that present prices are low—not high,” declares that paper. “If owners can be made to see that the really pertinent comparisons of costs are with the future rather than the past, building cannot fail to take on greater activity. Viewed in this light, present prices for building materials actually appear to be bargain prices.”

Authorities for the most part seem agreed that the chances for building material prices to take a drop are quite remote, whether hostilities continue for some time or whether peace should come within the near future. It is argued that the after-war demand on our industrial resources will be infinitely greater than they have been. France has just recently closed a contract involving two hundred million francs, most of which sum is to be spent in America for building materials to be used in the reconstruction of important buildings in cities in the vicinity of Verdun, the Argonne and the heights of the Meuse.

The danger of a cessation of building activities does not lie so much in the impression that prices are too high as it does in an attempt to carry the economy idea to harmful lengths. Nothing could be more injurious than indiscriminate delaying of plans for building. This would create an industrial situation that would be far-reaching in its evil effects.

The government is actually carrying on a campaign against the holding up of industrial activities, Howard E. Coffin, of the advisory commission of the Council of National Defense, declaring that “waste is bad, but an indiscriminating economy is worse. Unemployment and closed factories brought about thru fitful and ill-advised campaigns for public and private economy, will prove a veritable foundation of quicksand for the serious work we have on hand. We need prosperity in war time even more than when we are at peace. Business depressions always are bad, but doubly so when we have a fight on our hands. The declaration of war
can have no real evil effect on business. What bad effects are apparent are purely psychological and largely of our own foolish making. We need more business, not less. There is real danger in hysteria. Indiscriminate economy would be ruinous. Now is the time to open the throttle."

Two years ago the prospective builder was urged to "Build Now" to secure the advantage of low prices and to give employment to idle labor. Today he is urged to "Build Now" so as to keep skilled labor employed, to keep the wheels of industrial activity going, and to take advantage of present prices, lest he be forced to pay even more if he delays.

**Corporations May Be Architects**

The Supreme Court of Illinois recently handed down a decision that is of considerable interest in connection with the question whether a corporation may do architectural work. Under the Illinois law governing the practice of architecture, every architect, in order to practice his profession, must have a license from the State Board of Architectural Examiners. A sentence in Section 5 of the law reads:

"No stock company or corporation shall be licensed to practice architecture, but the same may employ licensed architects."

It was doubtless the idea of the architects of the state, in securing the passage of the licensing bill, that this section would maintain architecture as a personal profession and act as a barrier against the growing tendency for professional business to fall into the hands of corporations.

In accordance with this idea, the State Board of Architectural Examiners brought suit against the Rodgers Co., of Chicago, which performed the architectural work in the building of a church at Niles, Ill. The trial court held that the corporation had transgressed the law; but the case was carried to the Supreme Court of the state, which has now ruled that corporations may practice architecture, provided they employ a regularly licensed architect to do the work.

The court declared that "making contracts for services to be performed by an architect and collecting the compensation therefor is not practicing architecture."

The court further declared that the purpose of the statute was not to protect architects by limiting the work to those architects who possess a license, but to protect the public against incompetent architects.
ID you ever go swimming about this time of year? Do you remember how you stood on the bank shivering, putting first one foot in, then the other? Possibly you would be there yet if one of the other chaps hadn’t pushed you in. How nice and warm it was after that first shock!

Well, our country is undergoing that shock at this particular minute.

No one pushed Uncle Sam into this fracas. He went in deliberately. He wasn’t any more excited than you would be in rescuing a drowning cat from the river. Only, our dear Uncle is saving a principle worth fighting for. He may get his feet wet—may bark his shins—may lose his hat—but this will be only incidental. As to how soon Uncle Sam gets out, and what will be his condition after it is all over, depends on you and me!

Almost everyone knows Frank Crane, the writer. I generally swallow what he offers without question. But I dissent from a suggestion emanating from him to the effect that during the war women should wear black only, that no social gatherings for amusement be held, and every church be hung in mourning. Do you know that such surroundings would eventually dry up the output of dairies or produce sour milk? We know the effect that surroundings have on the kine. Don’t let us forget the effect of environment on the human kind.

I want my wife to be sympathetic, but I don’t want to find a funeral in the house every night I come home. Nor does any other man.

It wouldn’t get us anywhere. It isn’t worry we want, but WORK.

Let no one be deceived. This war is not for a month, nor six, but for years. It may be filling our daily press with long lists of casualties when the babies of 1920 are born.

Hogs, Hens and Humans

Don’t waste time in regrets, but bend every energy in helping to win.
The Man from the Lumber Yard

The man who makes every nail count without waste is doing "a bit."

Every man who drives a nail without splitting the board, who utilizes the scrap in order not to cut into a new board, is helping to win the war. Especially is he a patriot who makes possible better protection to foodstuffs in granary or warehouse. And equally is he a patriot who gives better living conditions to cattle and children, to hogs, hens and humans.

I arrange these five classes in this way so you will "listen."

It goes without argument that hogs should be properly housed because they are worth big money. But Uncle Sam must depend on his humans not only during the war, but after.

Cut One End to Patch the Other

A contractor friend of mine in the city of Brotherly Love, where untold quantities of ammunition are being made, tells of needing a 12-foot plank for the plasterers to use when wheeling in mortar. Being busy on another part of the building, he told his Irish helper to fix it up. Returning in about fifteen minutes he found him sawing a two-foot piece off of a ten-foot plank and was informed that "it was just so short on the other end."

Equally unwise is the alarmist who would stop every activity not DIRECTLY connected with the war.

American Adjustment

I met a man some ten years ago who had had heavy financial reverses by reason of a trusted partner who had gambled away the firm's money. He told me that it would take him ten years to get back on his feet. He did not waste time in self-pity, which is like an ingrowing toe nail—the more it grows the more it hurts. He simply bent every energy to his job and found joy in his sacrifices. Today he is as whole as ever and has forgotten his sacrifices.

The "Makings" are here for a big building boom if you can take CARE OUT OF the scare.

We must become accustomed to the thought of war. The first house we lived in after our marriage chanced to be on a favorite route to a cemetery, and there were from three to six funeral processions passing the house daily.

At first my wife was very much depressed, but shortly she got her poise and could go about her work with a song, regardless of passing hearses. She was, and is, most tender hearted; but she was, and is, a common sense American who adjusts herself to conditions. So must everyone adjust to changing conditions, as the cogs in your machine adjust when you shift gears.

Enervating Economy

There is a tendency to get hysterical and moody that must be checked, and at once, if we don't want to get jarred.

The damage that war can do would be as nothing compared to the evil results of a false system of drastic economy, which would throw hundreds of thousands out of employment and would force a reduction of wages. The standard of living is none too high. If the wage goes down as the necessities of life go up, the standard of living will sink below the safety line.

That would mean taking strength out of the arms and courage out of the hearts that have to fight America's battles of war and commerce.

Saved a Dollar's Worth of Grain—Lost a Hundred Chickens

We don't want less patriotism, but we do want less emotionalism. We don't want less willingness to sacrifice, but we do want more sanity in service.

There are many things worse than dying. There are millions of us willing to die if deaths would gain anything. Remember, it is worth a great deal more to our...
HE most usual way to enlarge a house is to build on additions or to add a second story, but a cottage in Kansas City was recently converted into a two-story dwelling by raising the first story and building another one on the foundations.

The contract was handled by Mr. A. C. Warren of Kansas City, who managed, in person, all the details of raising and building. Mr. Warren has had an extensive experience in remodeling and rebuilding of residences, but this was the first structure remodeled in this particular manner.

Mr. Warren says that the most important feature of the work was in seeing that the building was properly loaded. Four cribs were built under the building. So as to equalize the weight, three carrying timbers supported the cross needles. They also served to carry the chimneys. Two jacks were placed on each crib and the building was raised till the cribs were built to the floor level.

Sills and joists were placed on the foundations, two joists at each crib were left out and placed after cribs were removed. A rough flooring was laid right over the cribs and cut out around the jacks. This flooring served to tie cribs and foundation together and made the building safe while it was being raised.

The cribs were then raised, care being taken that the building did not get out of line with the foundations. Mr. Warren found it easier to keep it going straight than to have to shift it after reaching the required height.

By the time the building was up to the proper height the studs, as well as the sills and joists, were framed. In two hours after the building was jacked up it was secured by placing corner posts and studs and boxing diagonally.

It was necessary to leave the jacks in place till the chimneys were built up, although the weight of the building rested on the jacks about three days.

The family continued to live in the house during all the time it was in process of lifting and remodeling and no injuries to furniture or family were experienced. None of the plaster was cracked or loosened in the raising process.

Mr. Warren said that there was no part of the job which was harder or easier than he had anticipated.

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Hollow Metal Windows Approved by Underwriters Laboratories

THE GROWING USE AND POPULARITY OF THIS FIREPROOF BUILDING SPECIALTY

By John J. Grace*

Probably no industry has witnessed greater advancement during the past few years than the art of fireproof construction as applied to the modern commercial building. As a result, hundreds of buildings in all sections of the country, that were formerly a source of good revenue to their owners and were considered desirable investments for many more years, have become "White Elephants." The tenants have moved into new modern buildings, and in most cases "To Let" signs still adorn the front show windows, there being no demand for the old dark and unsanitary non-fireproof commercial building. This change has probably been more marked in New York City than any other locality. In the downtown business section there has been a general exodus in almost every line of trade to new up-town modern buildings.

What has induced old concerns to leave fixed business centers and risk the loss of trade which has taken years to establish? The main reason is, it was impossible to keep abreast of alert competitors and remain in buildings with solid brick side walls that made their sales and workrooms dark and gloomy. In the newer buildings hollow metal fireproof windows in the fronts and side walls of the buildings admitted all the light and air requisite to make their interiors bright and healthful for their employes and inviting to their customers, who made purchases because the goods looked more attractive under the better light and surroundings. The fire exposure was not increased because the automatic closing devices, wire glass and fireproof qualities of the windows gave adequate fire protection, while the amount saved on fire insurance premiums very often more than repaid the tenant for the increased rentals. In view of this, is there any wonder

*For National Fireproof Window Assn.
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A PORTFOLIO of BEAUTIFUL HOMES

Dwellings of modest size, but of surpassing beauty, are available to builders in every community — dwellings complete in their every appointment and so skillfully designed that they please both the eye and the purse.

When building a HOME it is a pleasure to be even a little bit extravagant, for the many years of satisfaction will more than repay.

It is with considerable pleasure that the AMERICAN BUILDER presents each month in this special Art Section of the magazine these extraordinarily beautiful examples of modest home designing. If further details are desired regarding any one of them, a letter addressed to the publication office, Chicago, will bring all the information we have regarding it.

HOME PLANNING EDITOR,
AMERICAN BUILDER.
A Living Room and Sun Parlor Combination in Which Massive Colonnades, Colonial Type Wall Seats and Built-In Bookcases Have Been Used Effectively. The False Beams of the Ceiling Are Effective in Balancing the Trim in the Lower Parts of the Room. All of the Panels are Wallboard, making this an excellent Example of Quality Wallboard Use. The Fireplace is Simple in Design But it Fits Perfectly Into the Surroundings.
AMBREL ROOF HOUSE WITH EXCELLENT ROOM ARRANGEMENT. This Dutch Colonial House is the Home of C. E. Bogardus, Stamford, Connecticut. It Was Designed by Frank M. Ellsworth, Architect. Attention is Called to the Arrangement of Rooms, Which is Excellent. Notice Especially That Each Bedroom Has Windows in Two Walls. Bedrooms are Entirely Independent of One Another. Size of House, 36 Feet by 25 Feet.
A Pleasant Dining Room is an Important Part of the Best Homes. The White Enamel Finish of This Dining Room is Responsible for the Effectiveness of the Lighting. Good Furniture Always Shows Off to Advantage in a Room Finished Pure White.
BEAUTIFUL HOUSE OF THE STORY-AND-A-HALF TYPE. This Residence at Manhattan Beach, Long Island, was Designed by R. B. Fields, Architect. The House is Well Proportioned and Cleverly Arranged. The External Appearance is Largely Dependent Upon the Roof, Which is Characterized by Graceful Curves and Trim Lines. The Location of the Kitchen, Dining Room and Sun Parlor is Out of the Ordinary. Size of House, 26 Feet 6 Inches by 33 Feet.
NEAT NARROW LOT BRICK RESIDENCE. This Beautiful Little Brick House Has Been Designed especially for a Narrow Lot. Its Arrangement Includes Many Features Which Will be Recognized as Distinctly Modern. The Living Porch is One of These Features. Among the Other Desirable Features are the Vestibule, Fireplace Seat, Pantry and Sun Porch. Every Detail Contributes to the Comfort of the Occupants. Size of House, 47 Feet by 26 Feet 6 Inches.
LARGE STUCCO HOUSE OF COLONIAL STYLE. For Those Who Admire the Colonial Type of Architecture, the Pure White Walls and Deep Green Shutters Have a Necessary Place in Practically Every Design. The Dignity of This Residence, Which is Built at Oak Knoll, Pasadena, California, is Felt as Its Most Forceful Characteristic. Space is Available in Its Interior for Large Halls Which Are Effective in Houses Having Sufficient Space to Allow Their Use. The Kitchen and Dining Room Are Separated From the Living Rooms. Size of House, 56 Feet 6 in. by 28 Feet.
HOUSE SIDED WITH BRICK AND SHINGLES. This Modern Residence Has Been Given a Pleasing Appearance by the Use of Face Brick and Shingles in Finishing the Walls. The House is Not of a Radical Type, But it is of a Type Which Has Been Extremely Popular and Will Continue to be so. The Interior is Divided More or Less Definitely From Front to Back on Each Floor, Resulting in an Efficient Arrangement of Rooms. Notice Particularly the Sun Parlor, Rear Porch and Reception Hall on First Floor and Sewing Room on Second Floor. Size of House, 24 feet by 31 feet.
One of our members," said the Boss, "was encouraged by the manner in which we handled his friend's problem last time we were together and has asked us to consider the design of the trussed beam shown in Fig. 16A. He states that this beam is one of a series spaced 12 feet apart on centers. The distance between the centers of the supports at the walls is 30 feet, and the height from center of tie to center of strut is 2 feet 6 inches, as shown. The load is uniformly distributed along the length of the tie beams and is brought to them by joists spaced evenly along the beams on each side of the truss. The amount of the dead and live load is to be taken as 60 pounds per square foot of surface supported by the joists.

"The tie beam consists of two timber members placed side by side as shown in the section of Fig. 16A, while the slanting timber struts are placed between the tie beams and securely bolted at the ends. The vertical tie rod is of steel with ends threaded for adjustment. The timber to be used is either yellow pine or Douglas fir.

"Our problem will be to find the size of the tie beams, slanting struts, center steel tie bolt, and the number of 2-in. diameter steel bolts to be used in the joints at the walls.

"The total tension in the lower pair of beams will be found by multiplying one-half of the total load carried by one truss by one-half the length of the beam between wall supports and dividing by the vertical distance between the center of the tie beam and center of slanting strut taken at the center of the span. The load is in pounds and all distances are in feet or fractions of feet.

"The total load on one truss is \(30 \times 12 \times 60 = 21,600\) pounds. One-half the distance between wall supports is \(\frac{30}{2} = 15\) feet. The vertical distance between center of tie beam and center of slanting strut is \(\frac{2}{2} = 1\) feet, as shown in Fig. 16A. Therefore, the total tension in the pair of lower beams is found to be

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\frac{21,500 \times 15}{2 \times 2.5} = 64,800\text{ pounds.}
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If 1,200 pounds per square inch is used as the working strength of yellow pine or Douglas fir, the area of section in the two beams needed to withstand tension alone will be \(\frac{64,800}{1,200} = 54\) square inches. If a 12-inch depth of the beam is used, a thickness of \(4\frac{1}{2}\) inches would be needed for the two beams.

"Since these two lower beams will also be subjected to a bending action between the wall and the center tie rod due to the loads from the joists supported in these lengths, the width must be increased to take care of these additional stresses. If we assume that the maximum bending moment due to the load is approximately \(1/10 \times Wl\), where \(W\) is the load on the beam from the wall to the center of the span in pounds and \(l\) is one-half the length of the beam in feet, we can apply our regular beam formula using \(p\) as 1,600 pounds per square inch and 12 inches as \(h\) in \(I = \)

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Building a Brick House of Hollow Tile

MANY PLEASING, PRACTICAL AND EFFECTIVE RESULTS OBTAINED BY COMBINING THESE TWO FIRED-CLAY BUILDING MATERIALS.

By J. J. Cosgrove

T used to be that a masonry wall was a masonry wall. It might have been of brick, or it might have been of stone. The brick might have been laid up in any one of many bonds, or the stone ashlar laid in any one of several patterns; but so long as the wall was of brick or of stone, it was solid clear thru, and was a brick or a stone wall, as the case might be. Only this and nothing more.

Now there are so many different types of building walls that the general contractors of the larger cities are differentiating between them, and many contractors and builders have blueprints on the walls of their offices showing how walls for different purposes can be built, where certain types are desirable on account of cost, and still others to be preferred for appearance, strength or some other quality.

It is an unfortunate fact that in many localities any type of wall that is faced with brick and backed with other material is known as a “brick veneer” wall. Unfortunately, I say, for the name creates a bad impression, for the word “veneer” as generally used conjures up in the mind something flimsy and cheap, while as a matter of fact masonry walls faced with brick are among the best.

In the facing of hollow-tile walls there are several methods each of which has some peculiar advantage which recommends it for special purposes or materials. Some of the types are stronger than the others and are used when great loads must be carried; others are used more for economy than for strength and are suitable for walls of ordinary buildings which carry only nominal weights; still others are suitable where a greater range of patterns is desired worked into the bond of the face brick.

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Fig. 1. Most Simple Type of Brick and Tile Wall with Metal Tie Bond for 8-Inch Wall.

Fig. 2. Wall in Which Every Seventh Course is Alternate Header and Stretcher.

Fig. 3. Intimately Bonded Brick and Tile Wall Using Backup Tile in Place of Hollow Brick.
The simplest hollow-tile wall with brick facing is the 9-inch wall bonded with metal wall ties. Instead of the metal wall ties, a masonry tie can be had by making every seventh course a row of headers, or a row of alternate headers and stretchers. This form of construction is suitable only for walls of ordinary buildings of a story in height, but provides a very warm building, perfectly dry, and ready for plastering on the inside without furring and lathing.

In the 13-inch wall we have an ideal construction in which the hollow-tile and the face brick are intimately bonded together, thereby forming a wall of great strength, lightness and all the other good qualities which recommend this type of building. The Flemish Bond is used for the brick facings, and backup tile which are laid horizontally like brick, used for the interior of the wall.

A variation of the 13-inch wall is a similar wall backed with backup tile in the usual way, but using 4 by 5 by 12 backup tile at the header courses instead of the smaller size filler. Walls of the backup tile with brick facings are sometimes bonded together with metal wall ties. This does not make so solid a construction, however, as when courses of headers bond the two layers of wall together.

So far, I have described walls in which backup tile—or tile laid on their sides—are used. When a real strong bearing wall is required, hollow-tile building blocks with vertical webs and cells, and bonded every fifth course with a Flemish bond, will be found very satisfactory. Hollow brick are used at the header courses to level up the next course of hollow tile to rest upon.

Closely allied to combination walls of brick facings and hollow tile backing, are walls with tile furring to take the place of furring and lath; and walls having an inside layer of hollow brick. In the latter type of construction, as shown in the accompanying illustration, the hollow bricks are of the size of ordinary bricks, and the cells thru them are of necessity small. Owing to this small size the weight of the wall is greater, and the moisture and heat retarding qualities much less than in a wall having inside courses of either backup tile laid on side; ordinary hollow-tile blocks laid on end; or interlocking tile laid on side and interlocking.

Special headers of hollow brick are made with the cells running from edge to edge instead of from end to end, so that when laid in a wall the surface presents

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An Umbrella for the Cattle

STOCKMAN WOODS' "CRAZY IDEA" AND HOW IT WORKED OUT AS IOWA'S MOST ECONOMICAL AND PERMANENT STOCK FEEDING BARN

By Matt L. King

It is a big one, big enough to cover 300 head—122 ft. in diameter. It is covered with asbestos and the ribs are made of 2x8's. There is a wall around it to keep the wind out as well as the rain off.

Think of it. Three hundred steers in a permanent shelter at a cost of less than $10 per head. This sounds pretty economical; but is the actual case of the building shown on this page.

It is a covered, walled barnyard. The wall is 122 ft. in diameter and 12 ft. high with a silo in the center. There isn’t a single pillar or post under the roof. A hay rack wagon can be turned around any place in the barn without even going around the silo. This wall, 383 ft. in circumference, has not a crack or a check in it. There is some steel in the foundation and some steel is laid in the wall.

The roof is quite flat. There is no storage space for hay, as the idea was to secure a covered barnyard and to allow for total collection of bedding and manure throughout the winter and still have plenty of head room. At present the thickness of this accumulation for the winter ranges from 3 to 5 ft. and will help raise corn to feed the allies next summer.

In addition to cattle there are 200 hogs housed in this same building. The hay rack is 4 ft. wide and 200 ft. long, besides 14 bunks 4x18 ft.

The 4x4 silo chute has been utilized as a ventilator; but is far from sufficient. Within the next few weeks we will furnish him sketches for 8 additional ventilators to be distributed over the roof. These will be supplied with dampers, so that the next bunch of cattle that comes into this barn will be provided with more ventilation. The ventilating conditions in this barn are not bad, but a surplus of ventilators under control is always a good plan.

It is 51 ft. from the outer wall to the wall of the silo, which is 20 ft. in diameter and 60 ft. high. The rafters of the two outer spans are 2"x8"x18'. The outer span of rafters extends from the wall, over which it projects 18' to the first circle of purlines. These purlines are made up of two 2x10's spiked together, requiring 24 to go around the circle. More 18-ft. rafters extend to an inner circle of 24 lighter purlines. Where these purlines join a steel plate is placed below them and an I bolt comes down thru the joint and the steel plate. The

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Diagrams and photographs illustrating the structure and its components.
I bolt is provided with long threads and nuts for truing up the roof. To the upper end of the I bolt, which is above the roof, is attached ¾-inch steel galvanized wire cables.

These cables extend to the top of the silo, where they hook to rods that pass over the silo. The cables are secured at each end by means of ordinary telephone guy wire clamps. The inner circle of purlins is supported by a similar set of lighter cables, also extending to the top of the silo. So far there has been no difficulty arising from expansion or contraction.

The roof is entirely stable and very satisfactory. Slope of roof is about 1 foot in 7. The covering of the roof shows white and is asbestos coated prepared roofing. After passing of the I bolts thru, this roof was made weather-proof by means of heavy asphalt pitch. The most difficult part of the water-proofing was found in flashing at the silo. The silo had been built before the barn was. Consequently there was no opportunity to put flashing in the mortar joints.

After some little scratching of his head the owner decided that since the asphalt or any other kind of preparation he had would not hold the flashing permanently to the silo wall, he would arrange for something that would hold it, so he put a No. 3 wire, which is a ¾” rod, completely around the silo and the flashing, or rather, ends of the roofing. He arranged a small turn buckle with which to tighten this wire and the result was that the roofing was drawn up to the silo and stayed. A little asphalt, run between roofing and silo above the wire, was necessary to make this water-proof, but the job is entirely satisfactory. The roof is entirely tight and steady in any wind that has struck it so far. We predict that when this roof comes off there will be a lot of other buildings uncovered in the neighborhood.

Considerable of the lumber that went into this building was purchased at $18. The cost of manufacturing hollow blocks has increased a great deal, also steel, cement and labor have gone up, so that detailed figures on the cost of this form would not be of much value now. The rafters at the wall are spaced a little more than 2 ft. apart. The sheathing is solid matched 1” lumber. To the inner end of every other rafter of the outer set is nailed one of the rafters of the next inner set, so there are one-half as many rafters between the two circles of purlines as between the outer circle and the wall.

In the neighborhood the same old story went the rounds. Herman Wood had gone crazy. Good friends of his and well wishing neighbors talked to him about it until he almost lost faith in his own idea. The writer was called in to consult in the matter and was asked among other things to design the cable system.

Also Mr. Wood had been told so often that the silo would not carry the weight that he was a little concerned about that also. It was such a pleasure to

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Details of Brick Construction

Plate 3. Face Brick Applied Directly Over Studs Without Sheathing

The man who admires a face brick home but fears the cost of constructing it need not despair. The type of construction shown in Plate 3 has been developed for minimum cost and the results which have been obtained are an indication that when it is used, the cost of construction need be no higher than for equally high grade building with other materials.

Since sheathing is not used, it is necessary to brace the frame of the building in some other way. A line of bridging is, therefore, placed midway between floors and between second floor and plate. The frame of the building before the brick veneer is built up is very similar to that of a building which is to be finished with stucco. Building paper or felt can be placed over the studs before the veneering is started.

The sills are laid on the common brick backing carried up from the concrete foundation wall to approximately 2 inches below the bottoms of the first floor joists. The face brick are carried on up from the basement wall, a distance of about 1 inch being allowed between the inside of the brick and outside of studs to provide sufficient room for the boxes for window weights. Metal ties are used to secure the brick to the frame of the building, these ties being placed every fourth course at every stud. The veneer is supported above all window and door openings by angle irons.

There are several methods of calking between the brick and the window and door frames. One of the oldest methods is to use oakum. Various other substances are used for calking, all of them being placed as the brick are carried up. Another and more modern method is to provide the insulation at the time of placing the staff bead. Felt is usually used between the staff bead and the brick, but there are special methods of applying the insulation which are intended to save time in this operation.

With the exception of the difference in size, the window and door framing is the same as used in frame buildings. Interior plastering is done over lath nailed to the studs.

Plate 4. Face Brick Backed with Common Brick

The all-brick wall, used in a great many large buildings today and favored by many for small commer-
Details of Brick Construction

Plate 3.—Details of Wall Construction, Including Window and Door Details of Face Brick Veneer Over Beaded Wood Frame Without Sheathing. The Least Expensive Face Brick Construction for Residences and Other Small Buildings.
Plate 4.—Structural Details of the All-Brick Wall Type of Construction in Which a Masonry Bond is Used Between the Face Brick Outer Courses and the Common Brick Backing.
The Residence of M. W. Butler Now Has a Small Wooden Porch and a Stoop at the Two Front Doors.

A New Brick Porch

More effective than writing "Welcome" on the door mat is the construction of an artistic face brick porch on the old home. Costs more? Surely, but well worth it! Among other things, and in addition to the value of the investment as an improvement on the property, the porch furnishes an out-door living room which is not merely pleasant, but which is really useful during the warmer months. Fitted with screens which may be replaced with storm sash, the porch serves as a shield from winter winds, effecting a saving in fuel. The illustrations show the transformation which might be made in the house of M. W. Butler, St. Regis Falls, N. Y.
RURAL trade offers one of the largest opportunities for building material dealers and contractors. Statistics show that about 53% of the nation's population lives on farms and that 52% of the country's buying power is in farmers' hands. These facts prove the wisdom of going after the farmer, and the following example further substantiates this statement.

An inventory of cement used for farm jobs has a surprisingly large total, and when it is remembered that nearly every farm is in need of concrete improvements, the total becomes worthy of consideration.

For instance, a La Salle County, Ill., farmer owning a 300-acre tract which carried a mortgage and on which the original improvements had worn out or decayed, spent two seasons in rebuilding with concrete. During this time he used the following quantities of cement:

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<th>KIND OF IMPROVEMENT</th>
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<td>Large round stock tank, including foundation and small pavement around it</td>
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<td>Barn foundation and walls for barn 100 by 100 feet, including corn, cattle and feeding barn</td>
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<td>Approaches to barn and small doorway pavements</td>
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<td>Floor over entire barn area</td>
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<td>Barnyard pavement and feeding floors, 100 by 100 feet</td>
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Horse Barn and Implement Shed of the Idaho Industrial Training School, J. T. Humphries, Superintendent, Anthony, Idaho. The Horse Barn is 120 Feet Long by 40 Feet Wide and the Implement Shed is 84 Feet Long by 30 Feet Wide. These Buildings and Several Others at the School Are Built of Concrete Blocks.
Basement floor for the house................. 80
New porches and well curbing.................... 120
Foundations, walls and floor for hen house.... 80
Sidewalks ........................................ 100
Porch posts ....................................... 200
Large silo .......................................... 400
Corn crib foundation and floor.................. 200
Small culvert across creek........................ 80
Small troughs and tanks........................... 80

Total ............................................. 4,360

When this construction was completed, the foundation, walls and floor of a large granary, machinery shed and stock shelter were yet to be improved. In all probability the next few years will see another large silo built, additional fence posts made and a manure pit added. A new house will be built and a concrete driveway constructed as soon as the adjacent highway is improved. Even without these improvements the total of 4,360 sacks (1,090 barrels) is five or six carloads, with prospects of from 80 to 200 sacks a year for years to come.

The instance cited is not a case of expensive improvements made on the farm of a hobby-riding millionaire, but on one that carried a mortgage and that had to show a profit. This shows the possible application of concrete on the average farm and suggests the opportunities in store for dealers and contractors in farm trade.

**Furnishing What the Specifications Call for or the Why of Trade Marked Lumber**

By Robert H. Brooks

That a reliable contractor prefers to employ building materials of established merit almost goes without saying. That he should be able to secure such materials readily and beyond a doubt is also self-evident. To assure himself that he is buying proven quality, he must know the commodity by some name, brand, or identification which represents the manufacturer's faith, reputation or guarantee in the goods. Hence, trade-marked lumber.

Lumber was too long a bulk commodity of unknown origin, that is, so far as the contractor was concerned. Its initial appearance was in the dealer's yard or "on track." Beyond either of these points its actual source and the men responsible for its manufacture and quality were shrouded in the hazy unknown of "Down South," or "Out West," or "Up North." It was because of this fact that unscrupulous middlemen and dealers were able to take the architect's or engineer's contract to furnish structural timbers for example, of a specified quality, substitute an inferior wood of less cost and poor quality and in seven cases out of ten succeed in completing the contract with such.

But now all this has changed. The responsible lumber manufacturer, tired of seeing his product sold in combination with that of irresponsible concerns. Moreover, he saw his own meritorious stock suffering in reputation because another inferior but generally similar product was being sold as exactly the same thing, namely lumber, timber or one of the many pines, of which there are numerous species in each variety.

"Therefore," said he to his equally outraged neighbor, "We fellows are chumps. Here we have the best lumber for certain uses which can be produced, but the fellow who uses it cannot be sure of getting it. Let us put our name on it so that once it becomes known, the users will come back for more."

These two neighboring manufacturers represent the various lumber producing associations whose members are today standing behind their product with an association trade mark or an individual brand, or both.

The Herman Parker House, an Example of the Old Colonial Type of Architecture, Standing in Connecticut as Testimony of the Endurance of Good Wood Construction.

Having progressed thus far in awakening the dormant spirit of merchandising, the next logical step was to advertise these brands. As a result, there are a number of lumber publicity campaigns now being conducted on a national scale.

The responsible lumber dealer has welcomed this publicity for two reasons—it has shown him that the manufacturer who brands his product can be relied upon to ship dependable lumber and it has put the lumber which the dealer handles before the people of the dealer's community so that he can say in his local advertising copy or sales talk, "I handle this wood you have been reading about. Let me show you some of it." Trade-marked stock, therefore, is no longer mere "lumber," but each variety is a specific wood for a specific purpose. The contractor, therefore, may today go to the dealer and fill his requirements with the definite certainty that he will get what he buys.
Beautiful House Built of Interlocking Channel Brick

The Dutch Colonial house shown in the accompanying illustration is an interesting structure, both from the standpoint of beauty and also from a structural viewpoint. The building was erected at Newtonville, Mass., and was designed by George H. Sidebottom, architect.

The material used in the construction of the walls of this house is a type of interlocking channel brick such as is shown in the detail accompanying. This brick is made in a wide range of reds and golden buffs and the beauty of the finished wall surface must, therefore, be seen to be fully appreciated.

In the wall, the interlocking channel brick, as here used, results in the formation of twin walls of solid 3-inch material connected by webs at each course, there being a 2-inch horizontal air space between these walls as well as a vertical air space the width of the joint between brick horizontally. The interior plastering is done directly on the brick wall.

The strength of this type of construction is surprisingly high. Because there are no continuous mortar joints thru the wall built of this brick, moisture does not strike thru. Solid brick of the same color are used around windows, doors, etc., and a small amount of waterproofing is used on the inside to seal the joints at such places. These walls are also very low in heat transmission, resulting in a saving of fuel. There are several other qualities of the interlocking channel brick construction which make it a commendable material when judged from the standards of sanitation, fire risk, maintenance and depreciation, cost and security of investment.

These brick are made in the form of a tile, two of the brick, as used in the wall, being formed together.
What Builders Are Finding Good

Making the Porch an Outdoor Living Room

The full value can hardly be obtained from a porch which is not equipped so that it may be used as an outdoor living room during the pleasant weather. The expense of fitting up a porch so that it may be so used is hardly comparable with the value which may be obtained from it after the work is completed. Builders may easily work up a profitable busi-

ness in their spare time by giving the facts and figures regarding the screening proposition to the home owners in their neighborhood. The new house should be fitted at the time of building.

The illustrations show an installation of screens on a large porch and two fittings used by one large manufacturer of porch screens, to form the corner and the flush joints. These devices are simple and strong and the joints formed are perfectly tight. The veranda screens on which these fittings are furnished come in sections, made of 1⅛-inch white pine, tongued and grooved flush and corner joints, which are held together with the special fittings mentioned. The sections are of a size which will be convenient in handling and in storage.

Fittings for Flush and Corner Joints Which Hold the Screens Securely in Place, But Make Putting Up and Taking Down Easy Operations.

Keeping the Delivery Boy out of the Kitchen

Every housewife is willing and anxious to eliminate the tracking of dirt into her kitchen by the delivery boy. She does not like to stay at home waiting for the delivery of groceries or meat, but often she does not care to have these articles stand out on the porch or in the hall until she returns. Clearly there is need for some means of delivering food-stuffs which will not necessitate the entrance of the delivery boy into the kitchen and which will make it possible for safe delivery to be brought about when the house is locked.

It is to meet this need that the wall and door cabinets have been devised. To the housewife who is having her first experience in the use of these cabinets, they are found to rapidly pass from the class of mere convenience into that of real necessity. Their popularity is becoming evident in modern residences, flats and apartment buildings.

There are certain features which a high-grade wall or door cabinet should have. It should be so constructed that when any article is placed in the cabinet and the door closed, it will be automatically locked. When this article is removed from the inside, the door should be released so that further deliveries may be made. The cabinet should be insulated so that a reasonable amount of protection is given its contents from the effects of temperature. Such articles as empty milk bottles must be placed in the cabinet for the delivery boy to remove, and provision must be made so that these bottles may be placed in the cabinet without locking the door.

Cabinets are being made with one and more compartments. The top, bottom, sides and partitions are being made of two sheets of steel with air space and insulating lining for doors and inside walls. In outside walls these parts are sometimes replaced by cypress wood because of its advantages in temperature insulation and long life. Installations in old buildings are most easily made in the doors, the work, in this case, being comparatively simple. In wall installations the outer case of the cabinet is furnished the builder who sets this frame securely and tightly into the wall, the remainder of the cabinet being completed with the finishing of the house.

Section of Wall Cabinet, Showing Mechanism Which Locks the Outside Door When Articles Are Placed on the False Bottom.

Empty Milk Bottles Are Hung in a Rack so That the Door to Cabinet Will Not be Locked by Their Weight on the False Bottom.
Thermostatic Heat Regulating System

Any heating plant which is to give satisfactory service must be capable of furnishing heat in the correct amount, this amount being governed by conditions in the room, thus making possible the maintenance of an even temperature. The plant itself cannot give this sort of service without control, and it is almost impossible to obtain satisfactory service by hand control, the result being wasted fuel and uneven temperature. A thermostatic regulating system, which is entirely automatic in its operation, is one method by which an even temperature may be maintained. The principal parts of such a system are shown in the illustration. The regulation of temperature is accomplished by the actuation of an electro-magnetic valve on the radiator, the control of this valve being centered in an electric thermostat. The thermostat may be located in any convenient place. It consists of a small metal diaphragm containing a small amount of a volatile liquid. This diaphragm expands and contracts with change in temperature. It actuates a metal strip, thereby opening and closing the electric circuit. The thermostat may be set at any desired temperature over a possible range of 30 degrees.

The electro-magnetic valve takes the place of the ordinary inlet valve on the radiator. The valve and thermostat are connected by wires. The operating current, which is so small as to be hardly perceptible, is obtained from the lighting circuit. A number of the valves may be operated by one thermostat. The valves may be closed by hand by means of a key, in order to make repairs or in case the room is to be unoccupied.

Since the regulation of temperature is thru the direct control of the amount of steam used in the radiators, there is a minimum of fuel used in order to obtain any desired result.

Floor Surface Spring Hinge

An improved spring hinge of the ball bearing, horizontal compression type is shown in the accompanying illustration. This hinge is easily applied to the bottom corner of the door and to the surface of the floor. The back edge of the door is rounded and no hanging strip is required. The hinge has a positive hold-back when the door is swung to 90 degrees, so that the door will not close suddenly when it is required to remain open.

The tension of the oil tempered wire spring is adjustable. The floor plate is reinforced, providing strength at what is quite often the weakest part of this type of hinge. The weight of the door is carried on hardened tool steel ball bearings contained in an enclosed steel ball race.

Steel Sash and Natural Ventilation Used in Large Power House

The new power plant of the Detroit Edison Company, shown in the accompanying illustration, embodies the most advanced principles of power house construction. The plant was designed by the company's own engineers and erected by the company.

Natural ventilation is used throughout the plant, Mr. H. H. Esseltyne, Chief Construction Engineer of the company, having made a special study of the question of natural ventilation and its solution as worked out by prominent engineers of the United States and Europe.

In the application of the conclusions drawn from his investigation, the design included the use of large areas of window walls, adequately and scientifically equipped with ventilators; monitors installed over turbines and boiler room to take off heated air; continuous sash in monitors to give wide exit and maximum ventilation.

The large area steel sash windows are shown in the illustration. In addition to the ventilation which is partially dependent upon these windows, the lighting is excellent, a feature which is very important in any industrial building. In the steel sash, a maximum lighted area is obtained out of every unit area of wall surface used for windows.
What Builders Are Finding Good

Modern Material and Merchandise Handling

Efficient production requires efficient methods of handling the product in every stage from the raw material to the finishing operation. What is true of the original manufacturing process is also true of subsequent repairing operations. The automobile industry has caused the development of a large number of specialized methods of manufacture. Some of these methods have been adapted to the work of repairing and overhauling automobiles in garages and repair shops throughout the country.

Perhaps one of the most interesting developments, from the builder's standpoint, is that of the overhead carrying equipment used to handle materials and parts in a large number of manufacturing and repairing plants. A simple installation of this sort is shown in the interior view of a garage on this page. With this carrier it is possible for one man to handle practically the heaviest object which it is necessary to move from one part to another of the shop. The system, at reduced labor expense, greatly facilitates the handling of engines, rear axle assemblies, transmissions and other heavy units.

Builders will easily recognize from the illustration the ease with which the system may be installed in any garage and the convenience, economy and longevity of the equipment is quite evident. The system has been highly developed and may be applied with a great deal of flexibility. There are two and three-way switches, turn-tables and cross-overs to make the track meet all conditions. There are rigid and swivel carriers with different numbers of wheels capable of carrying loads varying up to 3000 pounds. Traveling cranes and jib cranes may be used with the system to advantage.

In short, by consultation with the engineers of the company manufacturing this equipment, the builder may install in any industrial building or garage which he erects, an overhead carrying system which will economically handle any materials or parts which must be moved thru the building.

Noiseless Door Hanger

The door hanger shown in the accompanying illustration is notable for its noiseless operation. This characteristic is due largely to the construction of the rail and the wheels. The rail used is composed of a strip of select hard maple reinforced on both sides by high carbon steel bars. The tread of the rail is convex, which assures easy operation at all times, since there is no opportunity for any obstruction to lodge upon it. The construction of the rail is such that very little space is required between studding for its installation.

The wheels consist of vulcanized fibre fastened between steel discs. The hanger is built of steel and is very simple and strong. Rail spacing lugs prevent the wheels from derailing. Adjustments on both the rail and the hanger are in sight so that the door is easy to adjust.

Light Weight Concrete Mixer

The small, light weight mixer shown in the accompanying illustration is an important piece of equipment. Nearly every building contractor has a number of small jobs on which a small mixer is the most satisfactory sort of equipment. For such work as sidewalks, basements, floors and foundations, the light mixer which can be moved around by two men has many advantages. Its appeal is almost universal. The small contractor with limited means who has been doing work by hand or the large contractor who has small jobs on which it would not pay to move a big mixer, will find the small machine a splendid and profitable investment.

The machine shown in the accompanying illustration is a mixer of this class. It can easily be moved about by two men and yet it is capable of turning out a large day's work if necessary, handling up to 35 yards of mixed material per day. The drum operates on ball bearings, making it very smooth and light running and requiring little power. Reverse action is used for discharging, which makes it very speedy in handling dry materials. It effectively handles either a very wet or a dry mix, including brick mortar.
Shock Absorbing Fifth Wheel Connection

By the use of a converted pleasure car and a semi-trailer, attached by means of a fifth wheel connection, a twenty horsepower car may be used to haul 5-ton loads. An outfit of this sort is shown in the accompanying illustration.

The shock-absorbing fifth wheel connection is mounted on the frame of the converted pleasure car directly above the axle of the truck attachment. The fifth wheel consists of a solid frame with two cross members, between which the sliding carriage of the universal motion mechanism is mounted. This carriage is held in the center of the frame by means of two springs in slight compression. The semi-trailer is attached to the fifth wheel by means of an angle, which carries the ball of a ball and socket joint, the socket being in the carriage mentioned. A circle is mounted on the under side of the semi-trailer frame at the front. In rounding corners and in running on uneven ground, this circle comes in contact with one or the other of two broad-faced rub-irons bolted to the fifth wheel frame. The possibility of tipping the semi-trailer is eliminated in this way.

Double Shingles Save Time and Nails

There are many things to be considered before an intelligent selection of a roof can be made. Beauty is a desirable qualification, but not necessarily essential. Durability, however, is of great importance. The roof which will "stand up" for years is surely the kind of roof which every man wants on his building.

In the manufacture of roofing materials, some notable developments have been brought about. The twin or double shingle, a number of which are shown in the accompanying illustration, is one of the interesting developments. In laying this type of shingle a great deal of time and large quantity of nails are saved over what is required for the single, irregular width shingle. The shingle illustrated consists of five layers requiring six processes in its construction. The materials, from the under to the upper face of the shingle are, respectively, felt saturated with a waterproofing material, a coating of binding and waterproofing compound, a layer of crushed rock, a second layer of the compound and a top layer of crushed slate. The materials are pressed together, forming a shingle which does not curl, split or dry out. The crushed slate gives the roof surface a soft color in either red or green.

Air Moistener with Automatic Supply Valve

Ventilating and heating engineers have for some time been co-operating with physicians in the matter of humidity regulation. It is a well known fact that a temperature of 65 degrees, with the proper amount of moisture content in the air, makes the room more healthful and more comfortable than a temperature of 75 degrees with dry air. In perfecting devices for supplying the proper moisture content, the designers have, at the same time, bettered conditions of living and effected a saving in the amount of fuel required.

The air moistener shown in the accompanying illustration is a handy device which is used in connection with either steam or hot water radiators.

When once installed it requires no further attention because of the automatic supply valve which is combined with the moistener. The supply of water is taken directly from the radiator, only pure, sterilized water being drawn from the system, the circulation of water in the radiator is aided, in the hot water system, and the air valve, in the steam system, is unnecessary, since the air moistener serves the same purpose without any noise.

From the supply valve or condensing coil the water passes into the copper container, which fits between the columns of the radiator. The container is open at the top, permitting the evaporation of the water and its passage as vapor into the atmosphere of the room. The automatic supply valve constantly supplies a sufficient amount of water for evaporation while the system is in operation.

Because of this supply of water which is constantly being drawn from the system, the circulation of water in the radiator is aided, in the hot water system, and the air valve, in the steam system, is unnecessary, since the air moistener serves the same purpose without any noise.

From the standpoint of health, this air moistener is interesting especially in regard to the kind of water which is evaporated. Of course, the water which comes into the hot water radiator has just passed thru the heater, as the steam has just passed thru the boiler, and since the air moistener draws its supply from the radiator, only pure, sterilized water is evaporated into the air of the room.
New Things Worth While

**End Hook Attachment on Spring Joint Rule**

One manufacturer of spring joint wood rules has recently placed on the market the end hook attachment shown in the illustration on rules 4 to 8 feet long. Every builder has at some time felt the need of an end hook rule, especially in the longer sizes. The use of such a rule saves time and promotes accuracy. It is often possible for one man to make all necessary measurements with the end hook rule where it would require two men at least part of the time with either the tape or the ordinary spring joint rule.

**Automatic Saw Filing Machine**

A machine which will file any hand saw, stiff or limber back, with any number of teeth from 4 to 12 per inch, is shown in the accompanying illustration. It requires no skill to operate the machine and the work done by the saw after being filed is accurate and clean cut. The reason for this is that a saw filed on the machine has all the cutting points of the teeth in a perfect line and all of the same length; there is no defect in the hook angles or length of the teeth.

The saw is filed from both sides, half from one side and half from the other, which leaves the keen cutting edge of the teeth to face the work. The file is a rotary cutter, the life of which is claimed to be from 4 to 7 times that of an ordinary file. The manufacturer of the filing machine is equipped to resharpen the files, this operation being possible several times before a new cutter is necessary.

The machine weighs about 25 pounds and can be secured to any work bench or other solid base with four wood screws. If desired, a base is furnished so that the machine may be used anywhere. Since the saw is clamped only at the point where the file strikes the blade, all the jar that grates on the nerves is removed, making it possible to work in the house without annoyance to anyone.

**New Furnace with Non-Clogging Radiator**

The furnace shown in the illustration has, among other features, a type of radiator which is self-cleaning, there being no chance for it to become clogged with soot in burning soft coal. This type of radiator is also suitable for burning hard coal, coke and wood.

The furnace is constructed so as to be used for either a single-register or pipeless furnace, or pipes can be run from the hood as in the regular pipe furnace. The triangular bar grate is used and the grates are shaken by means of a crank inserted thru a peekhole in the ash-pit door. The fire-pot is all cast while the radiator is constructed of cast base and top and with heavy steel drum.

**New End Discharge Mixers**

One of the large manufacturers of concrete mixers has recently added two end discharge mixers to their line. These machines are notable for their compactness. Their respective capacities are 5 and 10 cubic feet of mixed concrete. The smaller of these mixers is shown in the accompanying illustration. The machines are primarily for paving alleys, subways and bridge footings, but they are adapted to many other uses. The machines may be turned practically within their own length, and are, on this account, easy to handle in close quarters.

This manufacturer calls attention to the increasing use of mixers for mortar. Time and labor are saved by the use...
of mixers, since it is possible for one man to prepare enough mortar for about twelve brick-layers when the machine is used. When mixing mortar with a machine it is necessary to slake the lime twenty-four hours in advance, the most general practice being to use two boxes for this purpose, slaking and emptying alternately.

**Easily Attached Chair Seat**

The chair seat shown in the accompanying illustration can be quickly attached to any chair having an open seat frame. It is simply necessary to tighten two bolts in order to attach it to a chair having a cane or cobbler seat or to a Vienna bentwood chair.

A good quality of filling is used under Morocco grained imitation black or brown Spanish leather, either plain or tufted. The seat bottom is made of three-ply wood veneer stock. The manufacturers guarantee that the seats will not slip in any way when attached.

**Efficient Light Paving Outfit**

The machine shown in the accompanying illustration is one of the recent developments in the concrete mixer field. It is a one-bag batch paver which is capable of handling not only small, but also large paving jobs. It is especially adapted to alleys, long driveways and small road jobs.

The open end pivot hopper is fitted with a dumping bar for quick charge. The compensating hoist sheaves apply the maximum speed as the hopper approaches the vertical position. An automatic knock-out prevents damaging the hopper and permits the operator to turn his attention to other duties. An automatic water measuring tank facilitates quick and efficient operation.

The distributing chute is 10 feet in length and is fitted with an intermediate gate to facilitate spread of the concrete. The mixer end is 3 feet 11 inches above the ground, permitting a steep slope for the chute. Power is furnished by a 6-horsepower engine. Self-traction is provided. The traction gear drives thru a suitable friction clutch; the reverse gear thru a countershaft, driving each rear wheel by means of chains and sprockets. A band brake controls the speed on grades.

**Modern Store Fronts Are Profitable**

The installation of store fronts has come to be one of the noticeable improvements found in all parts of the country during recent years. The most interesting feature of this country-wide improvement is that contractors are making a very substantial profit on the work.

There was a time when most builders were not interested in store front work because of the general lack of a fixed idea on the part of the retailers. Not so long ago it was difficult to make sufficient profit on the construction of a store front to pay for the time and work. Changes in plans were numerous and there was no store front standard to govern the selection of equipment.

Today this branch of building is attracting contractors. Retailers have been educated to the understanding that good store fronts cost money. They now undertake this work with the full understanding that the work will cost money. Cheap store fronts are the exception rather than the rule.

The store fronts have been developed over a period of many years and are now representative of high-grade construction in every detail. The sill construction illustrated in the accompanying detail is an example of the state of perfection which has been reached by one manufacturer of store fronts after twenty-eight years of development. Notice the creosote-dipped blocks in the back section. These blocks are placed at intervals and they actually protect the glass. Because of the creosoting treatment, they last indefinitely. The simplicity of this sill construction as indicative of the like quality found in all parts of the store fronts last developed by this firm.

State forests with a total of over 3,600,000 acres have been established in thirteen states. Of these New York has the largest forests, which comprise 1,826,000 acres; Pennsylvania is second with 1,008,000 acres, and Wisconsin third with 400,000 acres.
Tractor Semi-Trailer Hauls Heavy Loads

The accompanying illustration shows the method used by the C. P. Chase Lumber Company, Springfield, Mass., for hauling lumber in quantities up to 5500 pounds, which is the weight of the load shown. This tractor semi-trailer was made from a 1915 touring car from which the tonneau was removed, a cab placed on the frame for the driver and a lumber wagon coupled to it by means of a patented device which allows a rocking movement between the wagon and car but prevents tipping of the wagon on uneven roads and in rounding curves rapidly.

By means of this coupling device it is possible for light runabouts to easily handle a ton, about one-third resting over the rear axle and the remainder being drawn behind in the trailer. Larger cars can be converted into tractors to draw two or three tons. If the hundreds of thousands of used cars in the country were put in service as tractors, using the present horse-drawn wagons as trailers, the horses would be released for the farms where there is dire need of them at this time.

Well Designed Grade Line Coal Chute

The grade line coal chute shown in the accompanying illustrations has several commendable qualities. The body of the chute is constructed of sheet steel, the door is of cast iron and the hinges are of malleable iron. The hinges are of special design insuring long life. They are enclosed and may be kept in a bath of oil which prevents rust, while their strength is sufficient so that there is little danger of their ever being broken.

The locking arrangement is such that the chute is very convenient in use. To open, the chain shown in the illustration is pulled up ½ inch from either the first floor or basement. The coal man can then open the door. When the door is closed it locks automatically. The doors are square and are made either 20 or 27 inches in size.

Concrete Floor Penetrating Treatment

A liquid concrete floor treatment is now on the market which has the peculiar property of being able to force itself into the concrete to a depth of at least one-half inch. The surface of the concrete treated with this material is impervious to dampness, is dustproof, alkali-proof and non-slippery. In its deep penetration the liquid bonds itself to the concrete and will last as long as the floor is used. The properties given the concrete by this treatment are desirable in practically every building which has concrete floors.

Metal Screed with Adjustable Wood Plugs

The device shown in the illustration serves as a screed in placing plaster or concrete on flat surfaces and at the same time provides for the placing of grounds wherever desired for nailing moulds, rails, sleepers, base, trim and such like. The wood plugs have a face 1¼ inches wide and may be moved to any desired position along the length of the metal channel.

To use this screed, stick the metal channel to the wall or rough concrete floor and move plugs to desired position. Then plaster in flush with the edge of channel. As many plugs may be used as desired. The stock length is 10 feet and 750 plugs are furnished with each 1000 lineal feet of the screed.
New Things Worth While

Easily Installed Hoghouse Skylight

One of the principal characteristics of the hoghouse skylight shown in the accompanying illustration is its ease of installation. It is so designed that very little work is required to set it in place, and no putty is required to make it waterproof. The style shown in the illustration is one of four, each of which is made in three sizes. The window is made of high grade galvanized iron and the workmanship is of the quality which may be expected of a firm which has had 25 years’ experience in the manufacture of skylights for every purpose. The ventilating feature included in two of the styles and shown in the illustration consists of an opening device which holds the window clear of the curb at the bottom. The ventilating window is hinged to the curb at the top.

Metal Bridging for Wood Joists

The metal bridging shown in the accompanying illustration is made from a blank of sheet metal so stamped that it resists bending, and provided with nailing flanges turned at the correct angle for easy nailing. Nails are driven directly into the joists, thus saving time and insuring a solid anchorage.

A further saving is effected by the fact that this bridging requires no sawing, no mitering and no measuring. It comes ready to use in the size required for any depth or spacing of joists ordinarily used in building construction. Sizes are made for 10, 12 and 14-inch joists spaced 12, 16 and 24 inches on centers. The sizes are based on joists 1½ inches thick, but the bridging will work satisfactorily on joists 1¼ or 2 inches thick.

Another of the important advantages of the metal bridging is the small space needed for hauling and storing. One thousand pieces of the bridging are packed in two small wood crates, each only 5 by 12 by 16½ inches, for 10-inch joints spaced 12 inches on centers. The same number of pieces of wood bridging for similar joists and spacing would make a column six inches wide by about 12 inches long in cross section and practically 36 feet in height.

Handy Calculator for Reinforced Concrete and Wood Members

The calculator shown in the accompanying illustration is capable of a wide range of design and checking calculations resulting in a saving of time and trouble. Among other results which are determinable in design calculations are the following: Size of reinforced concrete plain and tee beams, thickness of slabs, reinforcement for plain and tee beams and slabs, size of various kinds of wooden beams, and thickness of wooden planks and boards.

The calculator may also be used for checking the safe load which a given size of beam or slab will carry, for comparing the relative sizes of plain and tee concrete beams, for taking into effect the action of built-in beams of one span as well as the continuous action of several spans, for directly comparing the relative size of concrete shapes with those of various kinds of wood and for multiplying and dividing as on the ordinary slide rule with the additional advantage that the result is pointed off. All computations for concrete are based upon the Joint Committee recommendations, using the Straight Line formula.

The American Builder Information Exchange will be pleased to furnish on request the name and address of the parties responsible for any of the interesting novelties or improvements described in these columns.

Floor System Using Wood Joists with Metal Bridging and a Closer View of Bridging Which is Stamped from a Single Blank of Metal.
The All-Concrete House
By H. Colin Campbell

Concrete construction has long been recognized as representing wise investment or security when typified in industrial buildings. It has not, however, received the consideration which it deserves from this standpoint in residence construction. Probably there are a number of satisfactory reasons why this is so, principal among which may be the one that in residence construction concrete is still so new a material that builders who have been accustomed, in the past, to building with other materials have not yet qualified themselves to design or execute concrete construction.

The industrial building is usually the product of combined architectural and engineering talent. The ordinary house, however, has more often than not been the expression of the builder rather than the architect. The widespread adoption of concrete in industrial buildings has led to many extensions of its use in home building. Many persons, however, are still misinformed as to what really constitutes a concrete house. In the minds of many the stucco house—cement plaster on frame construction—is a concrete house. Few of the possibilities of concrete as a structural material are realized unless it is used consistently. Unless the concrete house is all concrete, it is a concrete house only in name.

Probably the greatest drawback to the execution of...
The All-Concrete House

During the last 15 years, the all-concrete house has been the subject of much talk. As an aid to this, the accompanying tables and sketches will be found of value.

Several of our well-known industrial towns, notably Gary, Ind., are concrete built. With the increasing cost of materials and labor and the consequent increase in cost of building, concrete no longer suffers the handicap of being more expensive than other materials; in fact even in the past this handicap did not really prevail. The increased cost of concrete construction was often due to inexperience on the part of the contractor who bid higher than necessary to safeguard himself. The elimination of maintenance, such as painting and other annual repairs that are required for frame construction will, in any locality, soon offset any slight increase of first cost that may prevail. The all-concrete house being fireproof need not be insured. Here again is real profit from the investment standpoint. Being as nearly permanent as we know how to build today, the concrete house is practically imperishable security for the investor, speculator or owner.

**Patching Concrete Floors**

Mr. W. P. Anderson, president of The Ferro Concrete Construction Co., states that his company often uses a method of patching concrete floors which is much cheaper and requires far less time than the method commonly used. Mr. Anderson's method requires the use of a mastic material made from a mixture of asbestos fiber and rubber gum. This mixture is applied with a trowel after thoroughly cleaning the damaged surface. Very little cutting of the old concrete is necessary, other than to break off loose particles. The gum can be worked to a feather edge so that it will readily join with the undamaged concrete surface and eliminate the undercutting required with the old style of patch.

**Concrete Floors for Residences—One-Way Reinforcement.**

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- Area of steel in sq ins per foot of width.
- Alternate bars bent up at two ends of angle of 45° at the span.

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**Conditions of Supports For Slabs and Beams.**

In the tables the steel area A is for condition of support as shown in Fig. 1. Half the bars are straight and extend over supports at each end. Half the bars are bent at 3/4 point and go in top at 43° to the span.

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Fundamentals of Reinforced Concrete Design

In Three Parts Part 3
A TREATISE PREPARED AS A SHORT COURSE FOR MANUAL TRAINING AND VOCATIONAL TEACHERS
By Ernest McCullough
Chief Engineer, Fireproof Construction Bureau, Portland Cement Association.

Bond

Experiments have shown that 70 pounds per square inch is a safe allowance for bond in order that the steel and concrete may act together. The coefficient of expansion of the two materials is practically the same, so we need not fear a separation under extreme variations in temperature.

Assuming the two materials to act together and the safe bond stress is 70 pounds per square inch, what length of embedment is necessary for a bar 1 inch square stressed 16,000 pounds per square inch?

The 1-inch square bar has 4 square inches of surface for each inch of length.

\[
\frac{16,000}{4 \times 70} = 57.142 \text{ inch embedment required.}
\]

Four ½-inch square bars have the same area as one 1-inch square bar, but the surface = 4 \(4 \times \frac{1}{2}\) = 8 square inches and the length of embedment

\[
\frac{16,000}{8 \times 70} = 28.57 \text{ inches}
\]

When a large bar having sufficient area to carry the tension is found to be deficient in bonding area, smaller bars may be used. The stress is the maximum tensile stress in the reinforcement at the point of maximum bending moment, and the reinforcement each side of this point must be long enough for bond.

Bending up Steel

The bending moment decreases toward the supports and when a number of bars are used they may gradually be decreased in number, always allowing not less than two to go the full length in the bottom. The other bars are turned up a short distance past the point where they are no longer needed for direct tension, being carried to within an inch of the top of the beam on an angle of 45 degrees or less, and thence horizontally to the supports. Half the steel area may thus be bent up at 0.23 of the span from the support, one-half the remainder at 0.15 of the span and one-half of the remainder at 0.10 of the span. These rules are closely approximate and apply only to uniformly loaded beams. Exact rules are given in text-books. Bent up steel assists in reinforcing the web or body of the beam and thus strengthens the beam against failure by shear.

Stirrups

Stirrups should be fastened to the tension steel, not merely looped around it. They should extend far enough above the neutral axis to develop bond. The stress in the stirrups is tension and it is equal to the tension in the concrete multiplied by the ratio of deformation at the instant the concrete cracks, when the whole stress is immediately taken by the steel. The stress used for stirrups should not exceed 75 per cent of the stress in the tension reinforcement.

Figure 13 represents a unit vertical slice of a beam.

\( V = \) total vertical shear at any section.

\( \omega = \) load in pounds per lineal foot.

\( L = \) span of beam in feet.

\( b = \) breadth of beam in inches.

\( d = \) depth to center of steel in inches.

\( j = \) moment arm (percentage of \( d \)).

\( v = \) unit shear.

\( v_e = \) unit shear carried by concrete.

\( v_s = \) unit shear carried by steel.

\( l = \) distance in inches to point where concrete alone can carry the shear.

\( T' = \) total tension of horizontal shear due to shear carried by the steel.

\( D_t = \) diagonal tension at neutral plane.

\( f_s = \) unit tensile steel stress.

\( A_w = \) area of web steel = \( A_s + S_s \).

\( A_b = \) area of bent up bars.

\( S_s = \) area of stirrup steel.

Then (for uniformly loaded beams)

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\begin{align*}
(1) V &= \frac{wL}{2} \text{ at supports} = \frac{wL}{2} \text{ at any point } x = \frac{wL}{2} \\
(2) v &= \frac{v_s}{j} \text{ (max. 120 lb.)} \\
(3) v_s &= v - v_e \text{ (} v_e = 40 \text{ lb. per sq. in.)} \\
(4) I \text{ (in ins.)} &= \frac{6v_sL}{v} \text{ (5) } T' = \frac{L \omega_v b}{2} \\
(6) D_t &= \frac{T'}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ (7) } A_w = \frac{D_t}{f_s} \\
(8) S_s &= A_w - A_b
\end{align*}
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The stirrups should be equal in area and the intervals should increase by increments of 50 per cent or logarithmically, the greatest interval being equal to \( d \). The area of steel in the bent up bars should be neglected when it is more than 0.15L from the supports.

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Hog House With Attached Corn Crib

In order that minimum of time and labor may be required in caring for the hogs, the building shown in the accompanying illustrations has been designed. This structure is a combined hog house and corn crib so arranged that every possible facility for feeding the stock has been provided.

The foundation walls are of concrete, which material has been carried up in the side walls to the plates in the hog house, above which elevation the walls of the corn crib and the gables of the hog house are built of hollow tile blocks. In order that proper ventilation may be provided in the corn crib, a special ventilating tile block is used in the walls of this part of the building. There is a small feed room in the corn crib near the entrance to the central alley in the hog house.

An abundance of sunshine is admitted to the pig pens thru two sets of windows, one in the side walls and the other in the roof. The latter set may be of the ventilating type which will provide the best conditions possible for housing the animals. Pens are of a size such that each will accommodate five or six pigs, which is as many as should be kept together. Gates are provided in the pens next to the central alley so that the animals may be easily moved from one pen to another. The side wall windows are hinged at the side and are also used as gates to the yard. Pens should be fitted with guards and false wood floors built in the form of racks so that the hogs will not be required to lie in contact with the cold concrete floor. The floor racks are easy to clean.

Plan of Combined Hog House and Corn Crib.
Combined Cow Stable and Hay Barn

A building in which a small herd of high bred cattle may be taken care of in the manner which their value makes advisable, is shown on this page. The stable ell contains stalls for ten cows, a pen for calves and a bull pen. The stalls are arranged so that the animals face out. Modern sanitary equipment should be provided in the stable. Because of the size and layout of this building, it would hardly be necessary to install special equipment for handling feed and roughage.

The silo is located at the junction of the two parts of the building, at the end of a passage which is intended for a feed mixing room. There are two feed bins built into the hay barn along one side of this passage. The feed alley for one set of stalls is entered directly from the feed mixing room. At the end of the central passage in the stable, the hay chute is located. The facilities for feeding which are provided in this building could hardly be improved upon.

The structural details of the building follow the latest methods of farm building construction. Concrete foundations are used throughout. The foundation walls are carried up far enough from grade so that the wood framing members will not be affected by moisture. The stable is framed out of light plank with light trussed gable roof set upon the plate mounted on wall studs. The hay barn is framed with plank, the roof being of the self-supporting type in which the mow space is unobstructed by cross members.

Lighting and ventilating are adequately taken care of in the stable. There are twelve large windows and a metal ventilator is installed on the roof. Air admitted along the walls of the stable is exhausted from the center of the building so that a constant supply of fresh air is delivered at the heads of the cows. Air vents terminate in the calf and bull pens. The feed mixing room is lighted by two windows in the walls of the passageway between it and the silo.
Interesting Treatment for a Bungalow

A well proportioned combination of concrete, stone, rustic siding and art glass gives to this bungalow an exceptionally attractive appearance.

This home is intended for a lot that lies well above the street level and will show to best advantage when so located. A large plat of ground is necessary to set it off to the best possible advantage, for the beauty of this house, like that of all others, is enhanced by tastefully arranged shrubbery, which forms the setting for the jewel.

The piers and porch rails are built of white art cement blocks. White sandstone or white field stone could be used, but a dark material would detract from the appearance of the building. If locally available the stone might be used economically.

The oval dormers break up the wide expanse of roof and add to the beauty of the picture.

The long front porch is an added attraction and comfort. In warm weather it will prove a pleasant alternative to the sun parlor.

A good combination of reds, or red and brown, for shingles and rustic siding with the trim in white, as shown, would constitute a tasty treatment of the exterior. The color treatment of the roof should be regulated by the surroundings; the old rule—red with, green without, trees, being applicable in this case.

This Bungalow Presents a Striking Appearance and Embodies Several Ideas in Design Which Are Decidedly Unusual
This Type Found Popular in West

The type of home shown in the accompanying illustration has been found popular in Bozeman, Mont., by G. A. Ensinger, contractor and builder, who planned and built the home illustrated last year. He reports having sold five houses of this type last year and finds that they are very practical and economical from every standpoint.

As a matter of fact, the design embodies everything that could be wished for in the way of pleasing appearance in addition to the characteristics just mentioned. The hip roof bungalow type depends for its appearance upon just the right pitch of the roof surface and upon just the right placing of dormers, chimneys and other relieving breaks in these surfaces. The design here shown seems to have been carefully studied with respect to the effect which the roof produces. There is no evidence of monotonous roof surface, the vertical dimensions are perfectly balanced and the decorative treatment is very appropriate and effective.

The walls are finished with beveled siding and are broken up with bays, the outside-built chimney and numerous windows. The exterior trim is simple but the effect which it produces is very pleasing. The extension of the porch frieze entirely around the house is an effective treatment. The method of constructing the porch rail and the plain square column roof support above the porch are noticeable features of the front exterior. It will be noticed that the foundation wall is extended far enough above grade so that generous-sized basement windows may be used. This house has a basement under all parts except the porch. Especial attention was given the location of the furnace, which was placed directly under the bathroom so that heat radiated from it in the basement would prevent the freezing of pipes leading to the bath room. The large windows make the basement a well lighted and easily ventilated part of the house, giving it the value from a service viewpoint which the basement of a one-story house should have.

The interior arrangement is commendable for its convenience and comfortable simplicity. Entrance from the front porch is into a small hall from which either the living room or the front bed room may be reached. A cased opening is used into the living room, which has a beamed ceiling in common with the dining room. The ceiling effect is also carried out into the hall. The fireplace is centered in the outside wall of the living room and a seat with removable top exposing a box beneath, is built into the corner from the fireplace to the front wall of the house. A bookcase colonnade divides the living room and the dining room. In the dining room bay there is a built-in seat below the three large windows.

The kitchen is generous in size, well lighted and arranged to provide convenience in the handling of the work in this part of the house. The china case is handy to the dining room. A double-acting door is provided between the dining room and kitchen. The cellar stair is reached from the kitchen.

A central wall separates the part of the house so far described from the sleeping rooms and bath. The arrangement of bed rooms is the one which is best adapted to bungalow construction. The bath is placed between the two bedrooms and a hall is extended between them, making the bed rooms independent of one another. The hall connects with the dining room. The bedroom closets are of generous size and a small linen closet is provided in the hall.

"You understand your duties thoroly, don't you?" said the station master to the new train caller.
"Yes, sir; certainly, sir."
"And you know your way to announce?"
"Well, sir, I wouldn't go so far as to say that, but I know my weight to a pound or so."

Model Home Designs

![Perspective View of the Type of Bungalow Which G. A. Ensinger, Contractor and Builder, Has Found Popular in Bozeman, Mont.](image-url)
A Massive Type Bungalow with Concrete Porch

A notable feature in this bungalow is its massive and plain exterior appearance. The heavy braces supporting the eaves, the eaves extending well out and the heavy porch pillars all help to bring out a more massive and low flat type of bungalow. The chimney built on the outside has its effect and with the other features makes the house very distinctive and original.

This design shows an interior well in keeping with the exterior. All the features tending to bring out a massive and open appearance have been embodied in the design of the interior. The living room is exceptionally large and the front door enters directly into it. The fireplace on the outer wall is of massive design. There are bookcases built on either side of the fireplace with high windows above. These, with the bookcases, not only help to bring out a more artistic appearance of the fireplace, but also add to the general homelike spirit and attractiveness of the entire room.

A cased doorway connects the dining and living rooms. This is sufficiently wide so that a good view of the dining room can be had from the living room. It makes either of the rooms have a larger appearance and still is not such that the dining room and living room appear to be one room. The beamed ceiling in the dining room is a thing which adds to quaintness, a thing desired by the bungalow builder. The bay window has three windows which makes a very light room, and the buffet built on the opposite side of the room from the bay window is usually looked on with much favor by the housewife.

The kitchen is convenient in that it is entered directly from the dining room. It is sufficiently large and has a very spacious pantry. One nice feature of the pantry is that it is large enough to accommodate the refrigerator and is so arranged that the refrigerator can be placed next to the outside wall of the house. This makes it possible to fill the refrigerator with ice from the outside thru a door which need have no lock. It does away with the dirt tracked in when filling the box.

The hall from which the bathroom and chambers radiate is well located and a linen closet opens off from it. This location of the linen closet makes it handy, for it is only a few steps from the dining room, either chamber and the bath, the three principal places where linen is used.

The large closets asked for by many home builders are present in both of the chambers. There is also a convenient attic in which things may be stored. It is entered by movable stairs in the hall ceiling. When it is desired to use these stairs they are simply pulled down, and when they are up and not in use the stairs are only noticeable as a panel in the ceiling.

Bungalow Floor Plan. Size, 27 Feet 6 Inches by 43 Feet.

The Ormamental Details of This Little Bungalow Are Interesting. Concrete Has Been Used Effectively in the Porch and Chimney Construction.
THE plan of the stairway shown in Fig. 47 was sent to the editor as a query from John Webb, Woodstock, Canada, accompanied with a request of an explanation pertaining to the methods of laying out all the detail items of construction.

Not having seen any answer to the query, I have decided to take it up as the subject of this lesson, knowing it will afford as good an opportunity as any other I might select to explain some items that have not as yet been considered in these lessons.

The handrail as shown consists of 3 different curves; the bottom one less than a quadrant, the other two full quadrants, but different in that one is placed between two flights and the other at a landing, the first containing three winders and the other none.

Regarding the bottom curve, we need say but very little, having already shown how to lay out such a rail and bend the stair stringer.

However, it may be better just to run over briefly the method to lay out the rail and do so by the same operation, as we have already explained.

Let Fig. 48 represent its plan and elevation. Point $C'$ in the elevation is fixed at the height of 5 risers from the floor line because we find the same to be contained in the plan curve.

Thru this point draw the pitch of the straight rail and prolong it as shown to $M$. From $A$ in the plan draw a line to $N$ and therefrom the line $N M$ square to the pitch.

To lay out the face mould, transfer the pitch line $D' C' B' M'$, as shown, to Fig. 49, and draw a line from $M'$ perpendicular to it as shown to $A'$ and connect $B' A'$, which will be the bottom level tangent in its correct position upon the face mould, the other will be the line from $B'$ to $C'$ continued to $D'$.

Fig. 47. The Plan of the Stairway.

Fig. 48. Development of the Bottom Curve Tangents.

Fig. 49. The Face Mould for the Bottom Curve Wreath.

Fig. 50. Elevation of the Steps and Pitch of the Tangents for the Two Quadrant Curves.

Fig. 51. Face Mould for the Wreath Over the Intersecting Quadrant Between the Two Flights.

Fig. 52. The Twisting Bevels.

Fig. 53. Face Mold for the Top Quadrant.

Fig. 54. Plan of the Ten Cylinder.
Stair Building Explained

Now divide the tangent $B' C'$ into three equal divisions and thru the points draw the lines shown parallel to the level tangent $B' A'$.

Mark the dots $x$, $x$, etc., upon these lines at distances from the tangent $B' C'$ to correspond to those shown upon the level lines across the plan rail in Fig. 48 and thru the points trace the face mould curves. The twisting bevels are found as shown in Fig. 48. Make $WN$ equal $MN$ and $WO$ equal the height from $O$ to $C'$. Both are to be applied directed towards the inside of the wreath, as shown in Fig. 49.

In Fig. 50 is shown the plan and elevation of the two quadrants. Thru point $C'$ in this figure, the pitch of the straight rail is shown continued through $B'$ to $2$ and from $B'$ a line is drawn through $A'$ to cut the pitch of the bottom straight rail in $M$, indicating the need of an easement in the straight rail at this point.

The face mould for the wreath of the bottom quadrant is shown in Fig. 51.

The line $DC'$ $B'$ $E$ has been transferred from Fig. 50, there shown bearing the same reference letters. From $E$ drop a perpendicular line and from $B'$ with the length of the bottom tangent $B' A'$, Fig. 50, cut it in $A'$ as shown.

The face mould tangents are the lines $C'$ $B'$ and $B' A'$.

By drawing lines parallel to them, as shown, to intersect in $O$ a line drawn thru $O$ parallel to $A'$ will be the minor axis and another thru $O$ square to the minor will be the major axis. Measure from $O$ to $Z$ upon the minor a distance equal the plan radius $OA$.

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A Breakfast Nook

Designed by Ralph W. Ermeling, Architect

We are all looking for labor-saving devices, and the modern housewife, with small children especially, who does most of her own housework, will welcome anything that will save time and labor. A breakfast nook or alcove is a real advantage in providing a place where the simple morning meal may be served with less effort than in the dining room. The nook with its table also provides a play space for the small child within eyesight of its mother working in the kitchen.

In the house whose breakfast room is illustrated here the pantry projected into the kitchen, leaving a space approximately 9 by 7 feet as a part of the kitchen connecting with the dining room. This space has been made into a breakfast room or nook with a china case built in at the other side of the passageway.

The table is movable. It is simple and stout in construction. The seats are built-in, of the same sturdy type, yet all are graceful in design. The back of the seats are paneled and carried to a height of 5 feet. The back of the seat on the side away from the wall has been converted into a kitchen cabinet with long drawers below for towels and aprons, smaller ones above for kitchen utensils, and the upper part devoted to small drawers, and shelves behind closed doors which are used for food of the canned and package variety.

The case at the side of the passageway is for dishes and pans and is conveniently placed at the door into the dining room. It has an open space with shelf which can be used for serving and for quick storage of used dishes from the dining room.

The construction of the seats and table is of plain heavy stock and might be made at home by any one handy with tools. The two upright members of the table are dovetailed into the top and bottom horizontal rails, and the small cross beams under the table used for stiffeners are tenoned and held with wood pins.

The paneling is carried around the wall and all of the woodwork and wall are painted an old ivory color with a flat non-gloss paint, excepting the tops of the table, seats and case, which are stained a rich green color and varnished. This makes an agreeable contrast with the light painted surfaces and is easy to keep clean. There are high double casement windows over the table. A flower box on the window sill with ferns or blooming plants would complete the nook.
Architectural Details

Problems of Roof Framing Solved
THE FUNDAMENTALS OF STEEL SQUARE PRACTICE—TERMS DEFINED
By A. W. Woods

The following article is intended for the younger men and for those who want to make a start in the study of the steel square as a roof framing tool. It is presented in simple language and will develop the essentials of the subject in a logical way.

The following are the common terms with their meanings:

Span.—The first thing to be considered is the span. It has reference to the gable or that part of the building over which the common rafters are to be placed, regardless of deck.

Run.—The run is equal to one-half the width of the span, unless the roof contains a deck. In that case, deduct the width of the deck from that of the span; the run will be one-half of the remainder. It is sometimes called the base of the rafter.

Rise.—The rise comprises that portion of space on a plumb line directly under the comb, or highest point on the measurement line of the rafter, to a point level with the plate on which it rests. Its height regulates the slope given the roof and determines the pitch, as 4, 3, 1/2, etc., or the proportion between the rise and the span.

Pitch.—The pitch represents the slope given the roof, as before mentioned, and is the slope of the common rafter. This completes the triangle formed by the run and the rise.

These three terms, "run," "rise" and "pitch," name the parts of a right-angled triangle. Knowing the lengths of the first two, the length of the third (common rafter) is found by extracting the square root of the sum of the squares of the first two. This method is the one most used by engineers in steel construction. But in ordinary roof framing, where wood is employed, absolute accuracy in lengths is not essential, as a fraction of an inch or so in the rise is not noticeable so long as the other members are framed on the same basis.

Therefore, the usual way of obtaining the lengths of the rafters is by scale; that is, letting inches represent feet on the blade of the steel square for the rise and on the tongue for the run of the roof; and the length taken diagonally across from these points will represent the length of the common rafter. By using the side of the square that is divided into twelfths of an inch, the divisions will represent inches in the measurement of the actual rafter. So, in laying out work, great care should be observed as to accuracy in applying the square, because the variation of 1/12 inch in the run or rise, amounts to a full inch, and more in the length of the rafter.

In Fig. 1 is shown a simple diagram of the parts that must be known before laying out the rafter.

Another method quite generally used is to take the rise on the steel square for 1 foot run of the common rafter. It does not matter which member of the square this is taken on, but for reasons which we will explain later, let the measurement taken on the tongue represent the run. Suppose the rise is 7 inches to the foot; the figures then would be 12 on the tongue and 7 on the blade. These figures will give the seat and plumb cuts. Now, say the span is 13 feet 4 inches, the run being one-half this amount, namely, 6 feet 8 inches; the square is placed seven times at 12 and 7 along the upper edge of the rafter (which is supposed to be straight for a pattern). We say seven times, because there are six and a fraction of a foot in the run. At

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Protective Materials for Permanency
FIRST OF A SERIES OF ARTICLES ON PAINTS, STAINS AND VARNISHES, AND THEIR USE

By Ralph G. Waring
Specification Engineer

NOW that this new department has been established for our contracting friends, perhaps a few explanations of our ideas and plans will be in order, since this is the introduction to a Paint, Stain and Varnish Series for all who undertake to build with the fundamental principle of PERMANENCY as their foundation.

The writer has been actively engaged for some years on the subject of paint, stains and varnishes, both as a chemist and engineer, with the intent and purpose of ascertaining the fundamental principles underlying both phases of the subject, as well as the most practical methods of writing specifications.

Difficulties Which Contractors Face

Contracting experience with the specifications from architects proved beyond any doubt that here lay the biggest cause for the majority of poor work done, especially on new construction.

Specifications were written to impress the contractor with the vast knowledge of the architect; others written so rigidly as to be beyond all the limits of practicability; some so loosely constructed as to make the cut-throat type of contractor grin with delight at their "wide-open" clauses, and the worst type of all, and quite the most frequent at that, is that class of specifications from the architect who insists on his way, much to the despair of the master workman who realizes that some of the methods called for are not at all correct; materials entirely unsuited to the work in hand—and yet he must "stand for the job" when all is said and done.

Shortcomings of the Architectural Profession

At the same time I want to make it clear that I am not censuring the architect as a professional man. He simply must fill an impossible number of callings to handle the class of work his business demands. Some phase of his training must be wholly, or perhaps partially, neglected simply because of the limits of human endurance. Unfortunately the last end of the whole business of construction, the protective and decorative phase has been the one where, as a profession, architects have had to let up. Their business has been to consider location, adaptability of design to location and business, construction and materials best suited to the purpose at hand, and last of all the protection and decoration of the finished work.

Shortcoming of the Master Painters

Again the master painter and his men come in for their proper share of censure. Some men of the old school who have served their time "in the old country" are so pig-
headed as to be above any suggestions of improvement in their methods or the use of better materials. Men who have not served their "time," or who have recently bought their card outright, quite frequently "know it all." As a group, however, I have found that the master painters and their men do try to do a good job, for in all common sense it is the only safe thing they can hope to do, to insure another job elsewhere. True, they often meet the man who is too niggardly to let the master painter do a first-class job, and really the worst proposition any of us can come up against is the owner who is too "tight" to let us do an honest piece of work because of his false ideas of economy. There is only one safe plan with such and that is, let him strictly alone. You cannot satisfy him, you cannot honestly commend yourself except at the expense of your own pocket book, and a mediocre job is no advertisement for anyone.

Experience has shown that these constitute some of the fundamental difficulties which obstruct the path of the conscientious contractor, and because of this and other knowledge the writer has built up his present business of engineering in an endeavor to supply the missing link between the owner, architect and contractor. He does not wish to assume the credit for any vast store of knowledge or any startling store of methods. He does, however, insist on the use of common sense; materials accurately tested and analyzed; correctly applied, and paid for at a reasonable "live-and-let-live" profit. As one of his men was overheard to say on the job a short time ago, regarding a clause in the specifications, "Why, even the lady of the house understands what it means and I couldn't dodge it if I wanted to—which I don't."

Offer of the Laboratory and Service

It is our purpose, then, to treat with fundamentals; build our operations on methods with a foundation (Continued to page 142.)
How to Make a Home Craft Electric Lamp
By Edward H. Crussell

ALTHO the small electric candlestick shown in the accompanying photo and sketches may be considered more ornamental than useful, there are one or two items in connection with it that are worthy of note.

The amount of material required is so small as to be insignificant and may consist of some especially prized small piece of particular color, figure, or sentiment, or of small scraps that would, in the ordinary course of events, find their way into the fuel box.

There is nothing difficult in the construction of this article and it may serve to use up part of a wet day this coming winter, or it may be used as an interesting model for manual training classes, grades 8 and 9.

It may be used in the sick room or boudoir with success and forms satisfactory decoration for the piano. And to sum up, it may suggest a tasteful and inexpensive present for the Christmas holidays.

Fig. 1 is an elevation of the candlestick drum to scale and with the principal dimensions marked. The original was made of quartered oak and in order to get a piece thick enough for the stem, two pieces of 3/8-inch material were glued together. This was the first thing done, in order to give the glue a chance to set, and while it was doing so all the other parts were prepared.

Nearly all of the work on this model consists of the planing and squaring of small blocks, and altho it is probable that most of the readers know the correct way of doing this, it can do no harm if we insert a short description for the benefit of those who do not.

Let us take the base; the piece from which it is to be cut should be from 3/4 to 1/2 inch wider than the finished size and should have one edge dressed straight and square. Mark the correct length on this piece, allowing for planing, square, and saw carefully to the lines. How much you will need to allow for planing will depend exactly upon how well you can do your sawing. Now, with a chisel, bevel the two corners of the piece on the waste side, as shown in Fig. 2, being careful not to cut into the true width of the block; fix the block in the vise and plane the ends of it, pushing the plane toward the beveled corners, as shown by the arrow in Fig. 2. Set the plane very fine and, with the beveled corners to prevent splintering, you will find the end grain planes almost as easily as the side grain. After both ends have been planed, gauge and dress the block to the correct width, as shown by the dotted line in Fig. 2.

To bevel the blocks after they have been squared, plane the side bevels first and the ends afterwards. The bevels on the side help, when planing those on the end, in the same manner as did those we cut on the corners of the blocks with a chisel.

The small handle of the lamp is 3/4-inch thick. It may be cut with a coping saw to the size and shape shown in Fig. 1 and finished with file and sandpaper. The two small pieces that hold up the shade are made to the size shown and with all the pieces prepared, we are ready to fit them together.

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To the Editor: Punxsutawney, Pa.

I am enclosing my renewal subscription to AMERICAN BUILDER and snapshots of a home built by D. F. Brown of this city. John McGee and myself were foremen on the work, which was started June 10, 1915, and finished August 28, 1916. This house is built of cased stone, shells, glass and pebbles gathered promiscuously from all parts of the world. There are stones from almost every state in the Union, also small specimens from almost all foreign countries, including ores, quartz and odd formations of unique shape and design. The pictures show in a general way what the house looks like, but the original, located on East Mahoning Street, must be seen to be appreciated.

J. G. SPRANKLE.


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Whodid you finish your wood drain board?

To the Editor: Fillmore, Utah.

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Trust I may get suggestions relative to this point.

O. L. Peterson.

Two Good Questions

To the Editor: Pierpont, S. D.

I have a shop and do cabinet work and furniture repairing in the winter time. I have made myself a home-made drum sander to be run by power, but have trouble in fastening the sandpaper on. Can you state how it should be fastened, and also can you tell me how to put quicksilver on the back of looking glasses, as several have wanted me to repair theirs?

J. C. Hastings,
Contractor and Builder.

Big House for $4,000

To the Editor: Elsberry, Mo.

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To the Editor: Brighton, Ill.
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W. I. Gillham.

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Nails Required for Oak Flooring

To the Editor: Stockton, Kan.
What kind of a nail is used to nail 3/4-inch oak flooring and how many pounds per thousand feet?

Answer—In laying 3/4 by 23/8-inch oak flooring, nails are usually spaced 12 inches apart. Either one of two sizes may be used, depending upon the quality of the rough flooring. If 4-penny finishing nails are used, 9 pounds are required per thousand feet of flooring. If 5-penny finishing nails are used, 13 pounds are required per thousand feet of flooring.

Uses Side of Grinder Wheel

To the Editor: Fillmore Mo.
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Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared E. L. Hatfield, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Business Manager of the AMERICAN BUILDER and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

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Lumber Interests Respond to War Call

The lumber industry is rapidly mobilizing for war in furtherance of the pledge of loyalty made by the national association at its April meeting. Following are recent developments:

The Southern Pine Association has sent a committee to Washington to arrange for sale of lumber to the government for wooden ships, barracks, etc.

The Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers' Association of Wisconsin and Michigan has decided to provide the government with its lumber without profit and named a committee to prepare a schedule of production cost before proceeding to Washington to offer its lumber to Uncle Sam.

The National Lumber Manufacturers' Inter-Insurance Exchange has decided to invest twenty per cent of its funds in the government war bonds.

Douglas fir producers are taking steps, as are all lumber organizations, to utilize their cut-over lands for the production of crops to provide food for America and its allies.

Fear in the East that the proposed wooden ship campaign for the relief of the submarine blockade by building 2,000 wooden ships might fail because of a lack of lumber, is entirely overthrown by this statement by Secretary R. S. Kellogg of the National Lumber Manufacturers' Association:

“All information I have indicates lumber in all necessary sizes and quantities much more available and reasonable in price than steel. Many sawmills in South and West can supply necessary stock quickly, also many shipbuilding plants are located in those sections. Two thousand wooden ships would require only three to five per cent of one year's production of lumber.”

Cypress Trade-Mark Winning Big

THEIR SLOGAN, “SAFE BUYING MEANS EASY SELLING,” PROVES GREAT MARKET AID TO RETAILERS

Cypress was the first lumber to be exploited through a really large general advertising campaign, and now cypress has “gone and done it again”—and is winning big by helping its retailers to an “automatic market” by sponsoring to the ultimate user every piece of cypress made by an Association mill.

When the Southern Cypress Manufacturers' Association began a campaign of advertising a few years ago, which was to exploit the virtues of cypress, little was known of this venerable wood by present-day lumber users. But as the stories of its remarkable rot-resisting properties were told time after time, the interest of the lumber buying public in this new-old lumber was aroused. People wanted to know what sort of wood it was that would defy the ravages of wind and weather and decay germs for centuries, as in the case of the roof of a house in Brooklyn which was covered with cypress shingles laid over 250 years ago, which were still giving excellent service.

It was not long thereafter until the mills of the Southern Cypress Manufacturers' Association were working to capacity to fill the orders for cypress.

And then followed what usually follows any marked success (Continued to page 96.).

Getting Yours?

Every good carpenter knows that by boosting "Beautiful birch" he is boosting his own game. Every birch job is an advertisement for the man that did it and the price of birch lets you figure to get the job.

Our advertisements have a circulation of a million and a half a month. Everybody wants birch. You want them to have it. So do we. Very well, let's work together. FREE—Sample panels in several finishes here for you to show. Also a book you ought to read yourself. We'll send both free to you and to any list of your customers up to 25 names. Get yours. Get it today.

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We have a proposition to submit. It is just as interesting to the user as to the dealer. Let us send our General Catalog No. 20 which describes and illustrates twenty-three Rex Products. It also gives valuable information about all kinds of roofing materials. It states clearly and completely our sales policy. It will be sent free on request.

REX WIDE SPACE SHINGLES

Flintkote Manufacturing Co.
INCORPORATED
- 90 Pearl Street, Boston, Mass.
New York Chicago New Orleans

in merchandising in these days of extensive buying and selling. Inferior, or upland, cypress (and some carelessly manufactured cypress) began to share unduly in the results of public faith, and it became necessary to protect the lay consumer and at the same time protect the conscientious manufacturer and the honorable and up-to-date preponderance of retailers.

The general public was not aware that there was a considerable difference between “tide-water” cypress and the cypress that grew too far inland—but experience began to teach them that while one was “eternal,” the other was more or less temporal and fleeting. One was truly rot-resisting, while the other failed to justify the confidence of the user in its rot-defying character.

So the already famous cypress arrow trade-mark was devised as an insurance policy for both seller and user. The value of a trade-mark need not be dwelt upon. Trade-marked goods dominate the markets of the world. The manufacturer who won’t sign his product will never get very far with it, in these days. A trade-mark not only identifies the goods, but insures a uniform quality to the purchaser. The quality must be maintained if the product is to survive the fierce battle of business.

And so now tidewater cypress (the most eternal of the “wood eternal”) is no longer bought by name alone or on faith—but by a brand back of which is a group of manufacturers including most of the larger and most responsible producers of cypress. As a further testimony of pride in their product, the output of each mill is being identified by the serial number of that mill incorporated in the trade-mark as applied by each mill. The move is one in the right direction, the most important one ever taken by any lumber manufacturers, and is more than justifying, even this early, the well-known cypress slogan which recites that “the only permanent safety for the seller is perpetual safety for the buyer.” This is the keynote. Retailers are already extensively refusing to buy “anonymous cypress,” and are showing their up-to-the-minute acumen by specifying the trade-mark on all their cypress orders. This mark is now stamped on the tidewater cypress manufactured by the Association Mills. It marks a new epoch in lumber merchandising.

Kaye Succeeds Daniels

On May 1 H. C. Daniels resigned as Director of Publicity for the Kissel Motor Car Company to go with the Dort Motor Car Co. of Detroit. Mr. Ralph Kaye is his successor in the Kissel organization.

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(Cypress Lumber Stamped on Ends of Boards.)
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AMBLER ASBESTOS BUILDING LUMBER cannot be equaled as an absolutely fireproof interior finish. The natural gray color is pleasing and permanent. It can, however, be painted and grained if preferred, to match the owner's "color scheme", although no "preservative" is ever needed.

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Interior view of bathroom in residence of T. H. Hamilton; 214 South 17th Street, Harrisburg, Pa.
New Firm in East to Market Berger Products

A. D. Mellor and A. Hamburger, formerly Manager Contract Department and Chief Engineer, respectively, for the National Fireproofing Company, New York City, have resigned their positions to open an office at 103 Park Ave., New York, on May 1st, under the name of Mellor & Hamburger, to market the sheet metal building materials of The Berger Manufacturing Company requiring engineering services. Both are well known in the concrete and reinforcing steel business in the East. They will make lump-sum bids for Berger's metal lumber; and corrugated steel cores, metal lath and reinforcing bars required for long span floors, and prepare complete detail drawings for use in the field. They will also furnish specifications and quotations for waterproofings, dampproofings, concrete floor hardeners and technical paints.

Devoe and Raynolds Consolidated

On April 19, 1917, a new company was organized under the laws of the state of New York, with the title of Devoe & Raynolds Co., Inc. This company on the above date acquired the companies of F. W. Devoe and C. T. Raynolds Co. of New York and Devoe & Raynolds Co. of Illinois. The capital stock of the new company is five million dollars, of which one million is preferred and four millions are common, thus enabling the new company to increase its manufacturing facilities, and to inaugurate improvements that will give a better distributing service to its customers.

The general offices of the new company are at 101-103 Fulton St., New York. The officers are C. C. Barrett, Pres.; E. H. Raynolds, 1st Vice-Pres.; Dr. I. W. Drummond, 2nd Vice-Pres.; G. A. Meyer, Treas., and W. H. Phillips, Sec'y, and General Manager, with assistant treasurers and assistant secretaries in New York and Chicago.

This business was established in New York in 1754 by Wm. Post and has been continued in an unbroken line of succession to the present day. During these 163 years the business has continued to grow and now assumed country-wide proportions, with offices and salesrooms in New York, Chicago, Buffalo, New Orleans, Kansas City, Denver and Minneapolis, factories in New York, Brooklyn, Chicago and Newark, N. J., and well stocked warehouses in Pittsburgh, Boston, Houston and Savannah.

Fireproofing Paint Discovered

The Paint Manufacturers Association of the United States, and the National Lumber Manufacturers Association believe that the secret of how to make a paint that will render shingles almost unburnable has been discovered, or at least a prepared paint produced that closely approximates absolute fireproofing. A series of tests made at the laboratory of Dr. Hermann von Schrenk, before representatives of both associations, showed that the new fire-resistant paint, devised by Dr. Gardner of the Institute of Industrial Research gives wonderful results. Dr. von Schrenk has devised a strong fire test which burns thru a new, first-class untreated cedar shingle roof every time it is applied. Roof sections, composed of the same kind of shingles, covered with the new paint proved resistant to this extreme test.

It is planned to license any paint manufacturer to use the new formula. But in order that the product may be kept uniformly up to standard, proper means will be devised for the purchase of samples of the paint in the open market at regular intervals thruout the country, and their subjection to uniform tests as to both physical and chemical characteristics. Failure will mean loss of license.

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A New
FLEX-A-TILE
Roll Shingle!

Made to Lay Vertically from Peak to Eaves

You lay it right alongside your ladder—a whole sheet at a time—without shifting. This new and easier method of applying Roll Shingle saves much time, yet gives the same beautiful individual shingle effect as the first FLEX-A-TILE Roll Shingle.

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Lay Over Old Shingles

FLEX-A-TILE Roll Shingle gives full satisfaction when laid over old shingles. Simply nail through new and old material alike. Its rich, fadeless colors of red and green give an old house a new lease of beauty and usefulness.

Write for Samples

You can get a lot of roofing contracts this summer simply by showing prospects actual samples of FLEX-A-TILE Roll Shingle and telling them the facts. Write for samples and complete particulars today.

FLEX-A-TILE quality materials make the Roll Shingle thoroughly water and weatherproof and strongly resistant to fire. Approved by Chicago Board of Fire Underwriters. Put up in 32-inch wide rolls—108 square feet in each roll. Packed with nails and cement.

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That’s why there are no “come-backs” when you install Morgan Doors. You don’t have to go back to rehang and retrim. You’re through when the job is done — your reputation is safe.

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Dept. C-75  CHICAGO, U. S. A.
Morgan Co., Oshkosh, Wisconsin  Morgan Millwork Co., Baltimore

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The cost will be no more than that of other first-class brands of linseed oil paints, suitable for exterior use.

O. T. Swan, of Oshkosh, Wis., who represented the Northern Lumber Manufacturers, said that the discovery would eventually mean much to the great timber producing states and to the home builder, who is now debarring from inexpensive construction by city fire ordinances.

Large Addition to Goodell-Pratt Co. Plant

The new addition to the machine shop which is being erected for the Goodell-Pratt Company by the Alberthaw Construction Co. of Boston, is nearing completion.

The new building will be four stories in height, and of reinforced concrete construction through. It is to be 58 by 260 feet, with a four-story ell 58 by 110 feet. This will increase the floor area of this growing concern by about 86,072 sq. ft.

It is estimated that the total cost of the building will approximate $135,000. J. R. Worcester & Co., of Boston, are the architects.

Developments in Kellastone Business

During the past year the manufacturers of Kellastone have outgrown their previous facilities. The National Kellastone Company’s factory has been moved from Argo to Waukegan, Ill., and has been much enlarged. Their executive offices have been recently moved to more spacious and elegantly appointed offices in the Mallers Building, Chicago.

The entire floor space in these offices has been covered with Kellastone composition flooring, a product which has been developed in connection with the Kellastone stucco business. The color used is cheerful yet subdued, and the material almost entirely deadens sound, giving an unusual environment of quietness and elegance.

Economy and Worth

By W. W. Du Pre

The buyer who sees the advantage of the thing purchased, instead of the cost, is the gainer. The real object of anything is to render service that will be the most profitable to the buyer. The persons who have succeeded to the greatest degree have invariably been those who looked beyond first cost and measured results. An obligation far greater than debt is to buy something that renders poorer service than a competing article of greater price. It is something that piles up and multiplies, and that wipes out the original saving time and time again.

No article is ever sold for less than it is worth. Every low-cost argument.

Economy is not holding money in one’s hand, or keeping it in a bank balance. The dollars invested in goods of merit will bulge the balance. And the dollars stinted will shrink that balance. This is true because no article is purchased entirely for today. First cost is the admittance ticket to something or other—economy or waste.

If we need a thing, we need the best of its kind. If we really need it, we cannot afford anything but the best. The blindness toward value and the single-sightedness of the dollar in hand are factors that make buyers defraud themselves.

Cheapness begots cheapness. False economy is the twin of hard luck. Worth costs money because it costs the most to produce—it delivers the highest-class service.

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If it is finished in—

**Cornell-Wood-Board**

Its superior construction is attracting the attention of the building public who are demanding Cornell-Wood-Board in place of ordinary wall board.

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This material is laid in sheets. On the exposed surface there are individual tile shapes formed by a process of applying the tile pattern with hot asphalt paint. This asphalt penetrates thru to the base material, making the design permanent. The possibility of using a material of this kind over the old shingles suggests a business which might be worked up by builders. When it is possible for the builder to place a roof having permanency, beauty and low price as its distinctive features directly over the old shingles, thus eliminating the cost of tearing off the shingles, there are certain to be a number of home owners in any community who will be ready to have the work done.

Cement Show Bungalow Contest Winners

The winners in the Cement Show Bungalow Contest, which was held at the last Mid-West Cement Show, March 6th to 10th, 1917, are announced as follows: First prize, cement block stucco bungalow, won by Frank S. Selby, Omaha, Neb.; second prize, rustic pergola, won by Enoch Olsen, Wahoo, Neb.; third prize, molded bird bath, won by James Milota, Jr., Omaha, Neb.; fourth prize, white waterproof lawn vase, won by Marguerite Buggy, Omaha, Neb.; fifth prize, rustic bird bath, won by Mrs. Grant Parsons, Omaha, Neb.; sixth prize, twenty-yard fence posts, won by Mrs. S. H. Rumel, Omaha, Neb.

A wood specimen found in glacial drift and estimated by the Wisconsin state geologist to be approximately half a million years old has been identified by the Forest Products Laboratory of the Forest Service as spruce.
This illustration shows why Neponset Twin Shingles are called "the roofing development of the twentieth century." First, there is a heavy sheet of tough, fibrous felt (made in our own mills). Second, this felt is thoroughly soaked with everlasting asphalt. Third, a layer of crushed stone is deeply imbedded in this sheet under enormous pressure. Fourth, another layer of Neponset Compound is applied over the crushed stone. Fifth, a layer of crushed slate gives the Neponset Twin Shingle its attractive surface of red or green.

**NEPONSET TWIN SHINGLES**

are the most sturdily constructed shingles of their kind on the market today. Contractors and home owners by the thousands know this. They are willing to pay a slightly higher price for Neponset Twin Shingles because they know that the extra wear due to the two extra processes more than offsets additional cost. If you are interested in learning the profit-making possibilities of Neponset Twin Shingles, write for full information and price list.

The following literature, dealing with subjects of interest to builders, has recently been sent in:

"Repairing and Building" is the title given a booklet 9 by 6 inches, 30 pages, illustrated in black and colors, covering the line of Neponset roofings, wall board and building papers manufactured by Bird & Son, East Walpole, Mass.

"Practical Homes" contains thirty designs, including prize winning and honorable mention drawings submitted in competition at Second National Complete Building Exposition, March, 1917. The book is being distributed by Society Advocating Fire Elimination, 356 Leader-News Building, Cleveland, Ohio. Price, one dollar.

"An Early Italian Expression" is the subject of Serial No. 1, Volume 1, issued by the Architectural Service Department of Standard Varnish Works, 90 West Street, New York City, 2600 Federal Street, Chicago, or 55 Stevenson Street, San Francisco. There are ten pages, 8½ by 11 inches, beautifully illustrated.

Construction details, showing Kawneer Store Front Construction, are presented in Catalog H of the Kawneer Manufacturing Company, Niles, Mich. This catalog contains sixteen full-page detail plates, 8 by 10½ inches, showing various features in half size.

"Color Tones in Stucco" is the title of a book of twenty pages, 8½ by 11 inches, published by the Atlas Portland Cement Company, 90 Broad Street, New York City. Ten beautiful color plates show effects obtained by mixing colored aggregates with Atlas White cement and white sand. The information contained is especially valuable to architects.

"Information for Home Builders" is a beautifully illustrated booklet of sixteen pages, 8 by 11 inches, published by the Atlas Portland Cement Company, in which the subject of materials for home construction has been treated in a thoroly comprehensive manner. Anyone contemplating the construction of a home, no matter what type, will find it a valuable treatise.

Economy Hoists and Engines manufactured by the Northwestern Steel & Iron Works, Eau Claire, Wis., are illustrated and described in a small leaflet of four pages just issued by the company.

"Storage Batteries Simplified," by Victor W. Page, is one of the recent books of the Norman W. Henley Publishing Company, 2, 4 and 6 West Forty-fifth Street, New York City. It contains 244 pages, 5 by 7½ inches, well illustrated. Price, $1.50.

Knapp Metal Specialties are fully illustrated and described in the 1917 Catalog, 8½ by 11 inches, forty pages, of the Knapp Brothers Manufacturing Company, 2419 West Fourteenth Street, Chicago, Ill. The list of specialties includes bases, covers, moulds, grounds, casings, beads and studs.

The course in engineering and drafting professions (Continued to page 106.)
A better Store Front, for less money

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Brasco System

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Send me, without charge or obligation, a Brasco Detail Folio of the Hester System.
Catalogs, Bulletins and Books Received

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offered by the Columbia Correspondence School, Philadelphia, Pa., are described in their 112-page catalog, 6 by 9 inches, illustrated with line drawings, photographic and blueprint reproductions.

"Tool Book No. 13," of Goodell-Pratt Company, Greenfield, Mass., illustrates and describes in 432 pages, 33½ by 5½ inches, a very complete line of tools, including many recent additions to the Goodell-Pratt line.

Thatcher boilers, ranges and furnaces are illustrated and described in the 1917 catalog, seventy pages, 8 by 10½ inches, of the Thatcher Furnace Company, 133 West Thirty-fifth Street, New York City, and 134 West Lake Street, Chicago, Ill.

The "Wonder" line of contractors' equipment, including concrete mixers, builders' hoists, trench pumps and backfillers, manufactured by the Waterloo Cement Machinery Corporation, Waterloo, Iowa, is presented in their new catalog, forty-eight pages, 8 by 10 inches, illustrated.

"Beautiful Boats and How to Care for Them" is the title given a booklet of sixteen pages, 5 by 7 inches, illustrated in colors, published by the Murphy Varnish Company, Chicago, Ill., and Newark, N. J.

"The Evolution of Cooking and Heating" is an interesting history by H. H. Manchester contained in a booklet of thirty-six pages, 5 by 8 inches, illustrated with quaint and curious drawings, published by the Fuller & Warren Company, Troy, N. Y.

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We have dealers in hundreds of cities and towns in the United States and Canada at the present time. We ask you to write for samples and prices and the name of our nearest dealer. Belden Brick are made in five modern factories and come in all colors, shapes and sizes, and in most textures, rough and smooth. We have the very brick you are looking for, be it house, bungalow, garage, theater, store, bank, church, school, library or office building.

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WHEN WRITING ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THE AMERICAN BUILDER
How to Make a Home Craft Electric Lamp

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First, however, we need the extension cord and attachment plug, and the special candelabra receptacle shown in Fig. 3. These may be procured at any electrical supply house. They are intended to fit inside our imitation porcelain candle and are especially made to fit the style of small candelabra globe shown in Fig. 1.

The hole that is bored in the small cap block to take the receptacle should be a tight sliding fit, and the receptacle should be pushed into it from the underside until it comes just flush with the top. A 3/4-inch hole is bored down thru the stem and a connecting hole bored thru one side of the base at right angles with it for the passage of the cord.

The stem is then fixed to the base with glue and two long screws, and the small cap is fixed on top of the stem with two 2-inch brads. The heads of the brads are cut off just before they are driven home and the brads are set with a very fine nailset so that they may be easily hidden.

The handle is fastened with glue and a round-head screw, as shown. There is also a dowel in the upper portion which is made from a small brad. The brad is first driven into the handle the necessary distance. The head is then cut off and after filing a point on the projecting portion it is easily pressed into its proper place in the stem.

The bead fringe is fastened to the underside of the top of the shade with glue and 2-ounce steel wire tacks. To avoid confusion of lines, the bead fringe is not shown in Fig. 1, but may be seen in the photo. The supports of the shade are fastened with round-head screws.

Some variations in the style of the lamp may be employed. It may be constructed without the shade, and indeed the writer is of the opinion that it looks better without the shade when unlighted, tho the lighted lamp looks better with it.

It may be made slightly shorter and used as a regular candlestick without the electric fittings. Or it may be made shorter again and fitted with the porcelain imitation candle, socket and globe mentioned in the foregoing.

Finally, it may be fitted with the regular electric lamp socket and globe and supplied with a silk or paper shade, which is supported from the lamp globe itself by means of a wire frame.

The lamp looks best with a filled and wax finish, directions for which have appeared several times in these columns.

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This tile affords the best possible fire protection, but it goes much further than that.

It builds a wall, honey-combed with separate air cells, which completely break all connections between inside and outside surfaces of the wall. Even the mortar joints are on different levels with insulating air spaces between. The wall is heat, cold and moisture proof.

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Same tile builds walls any thickness. This is a 6-inch wall.

Plaster direct on tile—no furring necessary.

Every mortar joint interrupted by air pocket which prevents conduction of heat, cold or moisture.

Honeycombed with individual air spaces which make best insulator against heat and cold.

12-inch wall built of the same tile.
Hollow Metal Windows Approved
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why old buildings were vacated, or any reason why all new buildings should not be equipped with this type of window, which has long since passed the experimental stage?

In the early period of their manufacture, in many cases, the hollow metal fireproof windows were clumsily made and not weather-tight or storm-proof, but the introduction of machinery and prolonged study on the part of the leading manufacturers have enabled them to turn out a product that is now absolutely weather-tight, while the severe tests they have undergone in the large conflagrations in Baltimore, San Francisco, Rochester and other cities unquestionably prove their fire-resisting qualities. Buildings that were thus equipped were saved and the tenants enabled to continue their business, while others, less fortunate, were driven out until new structures could be erected.

This high degree of efficiency and success is, in a large measure, due to the co-operation and standard set for their manufacture by the Underwriters' Laboratories, who have tested hundreds of windows and know by experience the essential features required to make them weather-tight as well as fire-resisting when severely attacked. Every manufacturer, in order to secure approval and the right to label his window, must submit a sample which is subjected to a test of about 1,600 degrees of heat, and rapid cooling by a seven-eighths inch stream of water under sixty pounds pressure. If it remains intact after this severe test, it is approved, but all windows must be manufactured in strict accordance with this sample, and the Underwriters maintain an inspection bureau whose representatives visit the shops while they are in process of manufacture.

The only safe procedure for an architect or owner who requires a window that is really fireproof is to have the specifications call for all windows to bear the Underwriters' label, which is the hall mark of good mechanical construction, honest workmanship and materials that can be relied upon to accomplish the purposes for which fireproof windows are installed—namely, to save the building from destruction when attacked by fire.

The same rule applies to the purchase of fireproof windows that obtains in nearly every line of business. Where quality and reliability are requisite, the price should not be the only determining factor.

Up to the present time all windows exceeding five feet in width and nine feet in height required I beams or concrete mullion reinforcement. Within the past few weeks, as a result of the recent manufacturers' conference at the Chicago Laboratories, a sample window ten feet wide and twelve feet high, without any reinforcements of any kind, was tested. It stood up so well that the manufacturers confidently hope they will soon secure label indorsement on all windows up to that size, without any reinforcement.
GF No. 10 Integral Waterproofing Paste

Insures Watertight, Permanent Construction

Why plan to make your new building fireproof, yet take no steps to make it waterproof? Ground water seeping through the foundations or moisture creeping through the walls may undermine the health of occupants, ruin perhaps thousands of dollars' worth of goods or furnishings and damage the structure itself.

You can't guarantee that these things won't happen, unless you waterproof your building throughout.

The easiest, most efficient and economical way to do it is to use an Integral waterproofing while you are building. A good material is GF No. 10 Integral Waterproofing, a smooth white paste which is dissolved in the water for mixing the concrete, and which is carried with the water to every part of the concrete mass.

GF No. 10 Integral Waterproofing Paste throughout the entire mass of concrete renders the walls of every little pore permanently water-repellent.

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GF No. 10 is only one of the 23 GF Products for waterproofing, damp-proofing and protecting concrete.

If you do not have a copy of our Waterproofing Handbook, let us send it. Waterproof practices for almost every condition are covered in it. Our Waterproofing Service Department is ready to confer with you on special problems, without charge or obligation.

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It will bring you our portfolio showing "Brocade," "Navajo" and our other bricks in their natural colors, also complete information and your nearest dealer's name.

Kansas Buff Brick Mfg. Co.
BUFFVILLE, KANSAS

Building a Brick House of Hollow Tile

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an unbroken plane free from cell holes, as would be the case if ordinary hollow brick were used.

Old brick walls can be furred with fireproof material, or new walls of brick treated in the same way so as to comply with fire and building laws, by using a special furring tile on the interior of the walls, as shown in the illustration. The furring tile as delivered to the job are double, but scored with deep grooves along the end shells and the webs, so they can easily be split apart. They are then laid by the brick-layer, end on end, against the inside of the brick or stone wall, and plaster applied to the surface, the plaster being held in place by the deep dovetail grooves scored in the face of the half tiles.

In this article I have treated the subject of combination walls built of hollow tile and brick from the builders' rather than from the architects' point of view, or from the structural rather than from the artistic standpoint. Much can be said from the latter viewpoint, however, for a wall of hollow tile with all its economic features, can be given the rich appearance wrought by clever bricklaying when laying the brick units in pretty designs and patterns. The two materials work and blend well together. They are being used in combination more and more every day, and it will be well to paste the illustrations accompanying this article in your shops or offices, where the masons and bricklayers in your employ can see them and thus keep posted as to the trend of the times.

An Unusual Remodeling Job

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He considers that good judgment and knowledge of mechanics are sufficient to insure success in this sort of remodeling. He is a stanch believer in "Safety First," and will not take a chance on anything.

The cost of the original house was $1,750, and the

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- Houses of brick maintain an even temperature at all times. Cool in summer and warm in winter.

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The automatic screw-driver shown below is a strong, practical tool operating as an automatic or a ratchet screw-driver, either right or left hand, or as an ordinary stationary screw-driver. The spiral groove slants at an angle of 20°, so that this tool will do heavier work than any other of its class. The long slant insures great power with plenty of speed. Complete with three interchangeable blades, this tool costs $1.60.

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The Man from the Lumber Yard

cause to have a million of the enemy to realize defeat than a million of our own bunch. Nothing would serve the Teuton better than for our economic fabric to go to pieces.

I note a disposition in some quarters to act like a neighbor of mine. This was back in the days when I was keeping books in my father's lumber yard.

The grass-hoppers made a clean sweep of everything in that section. There wasn't a green thing in our town, save the house and picket fence of Widow O'Riley, who always kept them painted green in honor of St. Patrick.

A neighbor of ours had a great bunch of chickens. They practically kept him.

He was a flighty sort of fellow, as was his wife, also. When the grain question became acute he started in to economize by shutting off feeding his chickens. My father noticed a dozen dead chickens thrown out into the ally and investigated.

He found that the man had figured that the grass-hoppers were destroying everything and it was better for the chickens to starve than for him.

It didn't take long for my father to open his eyes to the absurdity of his action. This man lost fully one hundred chickens and saved possibly a dollar's worth of grain.

Whenever anybody in that community wanted to illustrate an inconsistency they always referred to Mr. . . . . . . . . starving his chickens to save grain.

This is so absurd that it is almost unbelievable; but it is no more absurd than the hysteria of economy that some people are preaching without practicing and others are quietly practicing.

Five hundred thousand are being mobilized. That is one out of every two hundred.

Don't overlook the one hundred and ninety-nine.

There is no question but that this half a million will have to be followed soon as our mines and mills can supply material for equipping, by another half million, and possibly later on this million by still another, for there will be no turning until the war is won.

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Smith Form-a-Trucks are making hauling records no other truck or horse system of hauling can even remotely approach. It is the only logical, economical hauling system in the world today. Thousands upon thousands of large and small firms in every line of business have awakened to the wonderful efficiency of this truck.

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F. O. B. CHICAGO
My son may never come home. As his wife and mother work with moist eyes and trembling lips, they would not have it otherwise, for there are many things worse than dying. God grant he may come back, that the toll of death be small, and that those who do have to grieve may be buoyed by the thought of duty done.

The Home Line Defense
Uncle Sam must look after the front rank—must feed our own boys and help supply the needs of our allies.

The more butting-in you do in what isn’t your job, the more you throw the monkey-wrench into the machinery. The more you carry of someone else’s load, the more you incapacitate yourself.

Your job is to look after the “home defense line.” Thousands of children are growing up enemic and pale, because of improperly balanced feedings and poorly ventilated sleeping rooms.

Every time you make it possible for that boy of twenty to have better air in school, work shop or home you are doing a humane act just as much as the giving of a glass of water, and you are building Uncle Sam’s resources.

Producing Power
Do you know what our prime personal duties are? If I am wrong drop me a postal card, for I want to get it right. I believe they are (1) building good healthy bodies; (2) equipping those bodies with active minds that make people, not dummies, out of these bodies; (3) put spirits in those bodies that are aggressive if in command, obedient if in the ranks, but at all times masterful of self. With that kind of producing power, Uncle Sam is invincible.

Ask Your Wife About It
It is a good thing to be made to consider the price of foodstuffs, to have to make a study of that which is most nourishing and will put the most strength into your body, the greatest vitality into your mind and the most “pep” into your children.

That is one thing my wife is a crank on. But the beautiful thing about it is that she gets results. Our table is costing us no more per month than it did five years ago and we are having better health. The good woman that cooks my meals would be pleased to hear from your wife if she cares to write.

Let her state (a) number in family, (b) ages, (c) health, (d) condition of teeth, (e) what is generally served for breakfast, dinner and supper.

Don’t hesitate, leave it to the women to get acquainted.

Uncle Sam’s Purse
Canada suffered a considerable period of depression when she entered the war. The quota which was rushed to the front was enormously heavy as compared to ours. She was an infant in finance com-

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Beware of Imitations of G & B PEARL Wire Cloth—

The great demand G & B PEARL Wire Cloth has created through its remarkable wear-qualities, has brought a flood of imitations and substitutes on the market. These other screen materials may look a little like PEARL—at first—but they don't, can't and won't stand up in use or wear anywhere near as long as genuine G & B PEARL screens.

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There never was a better looking—better wearing screen material made the G & B PEARL Wire Cloth. It's cheapest in the long run because it lasts and does away with everlasting repairs and requires no painting.

What Seven Billions Extra Earnings Mean

Then, on top of these facts please consider this pertinent fact, that over and above the ordinary revenues there will be paid out in the next year some seven billions of dollars, much of which will go for wages, either thru the medium of the farm, or factory, or mine.

Yes, a big lump of these earnings will eventually go for automobiles. Fine raiment will get quite a percentage.

How much will go into better homes, better housings for stock and for grain?

But do you know how much seven billions of dollars is? I began thinking about it, but had no way to gage it; I went into a bank and asked to see a pile of silver dollars. The banker kindly let me measure a stack of ten, which showed exactly one inch. You can figure it out if you are curious to know how high seven billion dollars would reach if piled one on top of the other.

You may not know that the Eiffel Tower in Paris is a thousand feet high, but it is.

Well, if you built a thousand towers one on top of the other, your seven billions of dollars would be higher than fifty such pyramids.

I never get tired from carrying my money, but I find that fifteen trains of thirty 36-foot freight cars, each carrying thirty tons, would be required to carry this sum of seven billions if in silver dollars.

I never became expert in counting money, but I believe I could count three silver dollars a second or 180 a minute, which would be 108,000 in a day of ten hours.

You would sleep without rocking if you kept up that speed, day in and day out. But to count the seven billions of money you would have to put in the ten hours per day, six days in the week for each of the fifty-two weeks for over two hundred years.

What vision do you see in this?

I know that there is less of dissipation and debauchery today than ever before in our history. Temperance and serenity are growing with all. One good thing about the war is that more people are doing serious thinking than ever before.

A Vision of Building

Suppose a third of this “extra” money goes to help the unfortunate of the world and for frivolities, and suppose another third went for what might be classed
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ing with the level landing rail and tangent B'-A', having the same pitch as that of the flight rail.

Because of the level tangent, the angle at B' upon the face mould will be a right angle, and the tangent B'-C' a directing ordinate.

By drawing the same number of ordinates parallel with it as the number drawn across the plan quadrant, Fig. 50, the face mould is completed by the same operation as in Fig. 49 and Fig. 51.

The only twisting bevel required for this wreath is shown at B' in Fig. 50, and is to be applied towards the outside as shown at the end C of the face mould, Fig. 53.

A method to connect the stringer and landing facia to the cylinder is shown in Fig. 54, the cylinder having been prepared out of a piece of plank 4 inches thick, its convex side alone being worked to the cylinder curve.

A different method to prepare the cylinder for the quadrant between the two flights is shown in Fig. 55. Here we have the elevation of the 5 winders and a step at each end marked on a thin board to be bent over a drum, as shown in Fig. 56. How the drum is constructed is shown in Fig. 57. The boards are fastened to the drum by pressing them to it with cleats, which are nailed or screwed to the drum and left upon it for the glue to set. When taken off, it will stay bent in the form shown in Fig. 58, ready for the cutting to hold the treads and risers. It is connected to the stringers at both ends as shown at A and A.

The inside of a riser is shown in Fig. 59, indicating the method of bending by kerfing, and probably is the most common and serviceable for such risers as are shown at the bottom of this stairway.

Problems of Roof Framing\Solved

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the last or seventh placing of the square, mark along the tongue and draw in the square till the figure 8 rests at the edge of the rafter and a line drawn along the blade will represent the proper line for the plumb cut, provided there is no ridge piece. If there is a ridge piece, one-half of the thickness of the piece should be deducted from the run by slipping the square over that much further to allow for same. Thus the length is indirectly obtained without further measurement.

In Fig. 2 is shown the layout of this rafter on the trestles ready to cut. The dotted lines show how the run and rise is taken care of in the manipulation of the square.

The Relation of the Hip Rafter to Common Rafters

We will now continue using the same example in connection with the corresponding hip, and in doing so we will again show the layout of the common rafter as in the previous article, but this time with the layout as it would appear with the corresponding hip.

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square down the edge of the rafter without change of figures till the tongue touches the desired depth on the plumbline, and mark along the tongue. This line will represent the seat cut of the common rafter, as shown at A. Proceed in the same manner for the hip as shown at C, placing the square on the edge of the rafter as many times as for the common rafter, but at 17 and 7 instead of 12 and 7. The reason of this is clearly illustrated by the dotted lines from one rafter to the other. The run of the hip has a gain of 5/12 over the run of the common rafter. This added to one foot, as shown on the tongue of the square for the common rafter, brings it to 17 for the hip rafter. In other words, 17 is the diagonal for one foot square and is therefore a fixed number for the hip, the same as 12 is for the common rafter, and remains 17 for any pitch given the roof. The square is placed the same number of times on the hip as for the common rafter, but at the last placing it is slipped back till 11\(\frac{1}{8}\) inches rests at the edge of the rafter, because that is practically equal to the diagonal of 8 inches square. The 3\(\frac{1}{8}\) inches difference represents the 5/12 gain that the run of the hip has over that for the common rafter. The deduction for the ridge piece is obtained in the same manner as before mentioned for the common rafter; but in this, one-half of the diagonal thickness of the ridge piece should be allowed for instead of one-half of its thickness.

**Fundamentals of Reinforced Concrete Designs**

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for the maximum shear is at the edge of the support at either end. When four stirrups are used at each end, the first will be \(\frac{3}{4}d\) from the support; the second \(\frac{3}{4}d\) from the first; the third \(\frac{3}{4}d\) from the second and the fourth \(d\) from the third.

**Reinforcing a Circular Tank**

In a round tank the only stress is tension, being equal to \(\frac{w}{d}\), in which \(w = \text{weight (pressure)}\).

\[
2 = \frac{w}{d}
\]

The tension is figured for strips 1 ft. wide, the weight used being the weight of the liquid at the depth of the strip. The weight of 1 cu. ft. of water being 62.5 lb., \(w\) at the depth of 10 ft. is 625 lb. At 15 ft. the weight is 937.5 lb.

The stress to be used in the steel cannot exceed \(\frac{w}{d}\), or large cracks will open. The concrete shell should be designed to carry all the stress with an assumed safe unit tensile stress. Steel should be used to carry all the tensile stress. This combination fixes the unit stress in the steel as equal to \(nf\) until something causes the tank wall to crack, after which all the tension is carried by the steel with the assumed fiber stress \(f\).

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Owing to the difficulties encountered in construction no tank wall should have a thickness of less than 6 in., regardless of the theoretical thickness found by computation.

Example: Give the proper thickness of wall and amount of steel required for a circular tank 20 ft. in diameter at a depth of 14 ft., using a 1:2:3 concrete.

\[
T = \frac{14 \times 62.5 \times 20}{2} = 8,750 \text{ lb.}
\]

Use a tensile stress of 12,000 lb. per sq. in. in the steel in order to care for possible mistakes in connecting ends of bars. Clamps should not be used. The best method is to have the ends of the bars overlap a length of not less than 40 times the thickness. The overlapping ends should not be in contact, but should be separated to leave a space of about twice the thickness of the bars so the concrete may surround the steel.

\[
A_s = \frac{8750}{12000} = 0.729 \text{ sq. in. (area of steel)}
\]

Use three \(\frac{3}{4}\)-in. sq. bars, giving an area of 0.75 sq. in. A safe tensile stress for well made 1:2:3 concrete is 175 lb. per sq. in.

\[
8750 = \frac{175}{50} \times 50 \text{ sq. in.}
\]

The theoretical thickness of the wall is

\[
= \frac{4.166}{12} \text{ in., for the strip is 12 in. wide. The thickness, for reason given, should be not less than 6 in., so the actual area will be 72 sq. in.}
\]

The area of the concrete is 72 sq. in. minus area of steel = 72 - 0.75 = 71.25 sq. in.

The ratio of deformation for 1:2:3 concrete is 12, so the steel is equivalent to a concrete area of 12 \times 0.75 = 9 sq. in.

Adding: 71.25 + 9 = 80.25 sq. in.

The average stress is 8,750 ÷ 72 = 121.53 lb. per sq. in., and the stress on the concrete is 8,750 ÷ 80.25 = 109.03 lb. per sq. in.

The stress in the steel, when both materials are carrying tension, is 12 \times 109.03 = 1308.36 lb. per sq. in.

If, for any reason, the concrete cracks, the steel will carry all the tension with a stress of 12,000 lb. per sq. in. Cracks may occur where an occasional poorly mixed batch of concrete was deposited; where construction joints are defective; where forms were removed too roughly; thru ice pressure; by reason of excessive temperature changes; frequent and sudden changes in pressure due to quick filling or emptying of water; thru defective foundations. When the steel stress is not permitted to exceed 12,000 lb. per sq. in. the only effect of cracking will be to throw the entire tension on the steel.

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**Design of Trussed Beams**

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$$\frac{pI}{e} = M = \frac{1}{10} Wl,$$

we have

$$\frac{1,600 \times 1/12 \times 12 \times 12 \times 12}{6} = 1/10 \times \frac{21,600}{2} \times 15 \times 12$$

Solving, we have

$$38,400 \quad b = 194,400$$

$$b = 5 \text{ inches (approx.)}$$

Adding this width of 5 inches to the width 4½ inches that we obtained from our tension calculation, we get 9½ inches as the total width of the two beams. Therefore, we can use two 6 by 12-inch beams for the lower part of the truss.

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"The slanting struts are in compression. The amount of this compression in each strut will be found by multiplying one-half the load on the truss by the length of one of the slanting struts in feet and dividing by the vertical distance from the center of slanting strut to center of beam as before.

"The length of the slanting strut will be found by the formula

\[ A^2 = B^2 + C^2, \]

where B is one-half the length of the beam and C is the 2-foot 6-inch dimension shown in Fig. 16A.

Solving, for \( A^2 \) we have

\[ A^2 = (15 \times 15) + (2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}) = 231.25 \]

\[ A = 15.2 \text{ feet.} \]

"The total compression in one strut will be

\[ \frac{21,600}{15.2} \times \frac{1}{2} = 65,600 \text{ pounds.} \]

If 1,200 pounds per square inch is used as a working value for the compressive strength of wood, we can find the size of timber needed by using the Winslow column formula:

\[ \frac{\text{Total compressive load}}{d^2} = C \left[ \frac{L}{80d} \right] \]

where \( d \) is the side dimension of a square section in inches, \( C = 1,200 \) pounds per square inch, and \( L \) is the length of the slanting strut in inches.

"Filling in the formula with our values, we have

\[ \frac{65,600}{d^2} = 1,200 \left( \frac{15.2 \times 12}{80d} \right) \]

\[ 65,600 = 1,200 \frac{d^2}{1,200 \times 15.2 \times 12 \times d} \]

\[ 65,600 = 1,200 \frac{d^2}{80} \]

\[ 54.6 = d^2 - 2.28d \]

\[ 54.6 + (1.14)^2 = d^2 - 2.28d + (1.14)^2 \]

Taking the square root of both sides of the equation, we have

\[ 7.5 = d - 1.14 \]

\[ d = 8.64 \text{ inches.} \]

The nearest commercial size in timber will be a 10-inch by 10-inch stick, which is really 9\( \frac{1}{2} \) by 9\( \frac{1}{2} \) inches when surfaced on four sides.

"If it is desired to keep the total width of the truss as small as possible, it will be better to use an 8-inch by 12-inch size of timber for these slanting struts instead of the 10-inch by 10-inch size. This will make the total width of the truss 16 inches. This width is found by adding together the width of the two 4-inch by 14-inch tie beams and the 8-inch by 12-inch slanting strut.

"The center vertical tie rod is of steel fitted with washers and nuts at the ends. The total pull in this rod is found to be five-eighths of the total load on the truss when the lower tie beams are each in one piece thrust through their length, or one-half of the total load when the tie beams are jointed over the center ver-
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tical tie. If we consider that the total pull is \( \frac{3}{2} \times 21,600 = 10,800 \) pounds, we know that the area of the circular rod taken at the bottom of the screw threads multiplied by the safe unit working stress for steel must be equal to this total pull. Since the area of a circular section is \( \pi d^2 \), where \( d \) is the diameter of the circle in inches, our equation will be as follows:

\[
10,800 = \pi \times d^2 \times 16,000,
\]

where 16,000 pounds per square inch is the working strength of steel in tension. Solving for the diameter we have:

\[
d = \sqrt{\frac{10,800}{\pi \times 16,000}} = 0.93 \text{ inches}.
\]

This means that a 1-inch diameter steel rod would be about the size to use for this vertical tie.

"The number of bolts needed at the ends of the slanting struts may be found by the following procedure. First, find the resistance to crushing of the wood in the holes the bolts pass thru. Then find the strength of one bolt in bending. Knowing the total thrust in one of the struts and the strength of one bolt in crushing and bending, we can find the number of bolts needed.

"The total thrust in the slanting member will cause the bolts to have a bearing in 8 inches thickness of wood at the two ends, and an 8-inch thickness at the center. The resistance of the wood under one bolt will be found by multiplying the diameter of the bolt in inches by the thickness of the wood in inches, and then by the safe unit crushing strength for wood. For wood having a unit crushing strength of 1,200 pounds per square inch the resistance to crushing under a 2-inch diameter bolt will be

\[
2 \times 8 \times 1,200 = 19,200 \text{ pounds}.
\]

Since the total thrust in the slanting member is 65,600 pounds, we would need to use four bolts in each end of the truss to resist crushing.

"The allowable bending moment in a 2-inch diameter steel bolt under a working stress of 16,000 pounds per square inch for steel is found from the formula

\[
\frac{pl}{e} = M,
\]

where \( e = 3.1416 \), and

\[
M = \frac{16,000 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2}{64} = 12,600 \text{ inch pounds}.
\]

The total bending moment to be resisted by the bolts will be found by multiplying the total thrust in the slanting strut by the distance in inches between the centers of the lower tie beams and dividing by 12. This amount is found to be

\[
\frac{65,600}{12} = 5,466.67 \text{ inch pounds}.
\]

Since the allowable bending moment for one bolt is 12,600 inch pounds, at least five bolts will be needed at each end of the truss to hold the members in place.”

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Details of Brick Construction (Continued from page 36.) used either as the outer course material of the wall and bonded into the common brick backing or used as a veneer over the common brick wall, which is designed to carry the load by its own strength. In the latter case the face brick and common brick are held together by metal ties. The object of building the wall in this way is to minimize the quantity of face brick required and it is not used when the extra cost of common brick balances the cost of the first mentioned method of construction.

The plate shows only the common-brick-backed wall in which the face brick are required to carry part of the load and are therefore bonded every sixth course into the common brick. The wall shown is suitable for a one-story building. The floor joists are set on the basement wall at the top of which the wall thickness is reduced from 12 inches to 8 inches.

The plastering is shown over wood lath which are nailed to furring strips which, in turn, are nailed to blocks set in the brick wall. The outer face brick courses are supported above window and door openings with angle irons, while the common brick backing is supported with wood lintels consisting of two 2 by 6-inch members. The wood lintels together with lugs form method of securing the window and door frames in the wall.

In all of these plates the brick are shown laid common bond. In any of the four methods of construction, it is possible to use any of the special bonds without any material difference in the architectural details. The use of a special bond incurs an added expense in laying the brick, but in the case of a veneered wall, there are no more brick used, as a rule, than in the common bond. There is, of course, the greater risk of waste in breaking brick for special bond, but the careful bricklayer eliminates this waste and, by using care in breaking brick for headers, he is able to finish his special bond wall with practically the same number of brick as would be used if only those brick were broken which are required for the corners.

The mortar used is important from the standpoint of appearance. In the old red brick wall it is thought necessary to hide the joints, which were made as narrow as possible and finished smooth and flush with the brick surface. Since the advent of the modern rough texture face brick this practice has changed. The mortar joint is now used to enhance the beauty of the brick surface and no attempt is made to conceal it. Several colors are used for the mortar, depending upon the color of the brick. The most common colors are black, buff and gray-white. Joints are usually about 3⁄8 of an inch in width, but in some of the most artistic examples of brickwork in this country and abroad, joint widths have varied up to as much as 1 3⁄4 inches. (Continued to page 142.)
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The chief concern of the structural iron worker has to deal with the priming coat. The pigment composition of the succeeding coats is not so important and may vary according to the color desired. As a matter of fact, for finish coat work a paint that is satisfactory for wood surfaces will be found equally satisfactory for iron and steel. Economical practice consists in having two paints—a primer and a finish—and when three coats are applied, as experience has shown is valuable on new work, the second coat may be made from the primer and finish stock, gallon for gallon, plus a quart of turpentine.

The pigment red lead has been used for many years as a primer on structural iron work. It has a number of disadvantages, however, which count against it, chief among which is a tendency to settle rapidly in the pail, requiring almost constant stirring, and the ability to harden in the pail. If kept in closed containers, it will become rock hard in six months. It also has the provoking disadvantage of sagging soon after application, even when well brushed out. A new material has been developed with inhibitive ratings greatly in excess of those of red lead. This is known as American vermilion; and at the end of a five-year test on steel at Atlantic City has an inhibitive ratio of 75 as against 40 for red lead. Basic lead chromate, as this material is more properly called, possesses inherent physical properties which will actually produce a less costly paint than red lead, even tho the chromate has greater initial cost. In addition to its physical properties and inhibitive value, it produces a paint of proper consistency with better hiding qualities (opacity) than a red lead paint of the same consistency. It will weigh but half as much as the latter paint, with consequent reduction in cost. At the same time it will cover 30% more surface; will keep indefinitely in a closed can without settling out or hardening. From a standpoint of economy, it is not necessary to use the basic lead chromate straight, but it can be satisfactorily extended with some material as asbestos (magnesium silicate) up to 25% without impairing any of the qualities of the pigment.

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Ammonium phosphate, 100 gm.; boracic acid, 10 gm.; water, 1000 gm. This material is forced into pine at 212 pounds with a temperature of 162 degrees Fahrenheit.

A microscopic examination of a cross section of this impregnated wood reveals the fact that the individual cells are lined with glass-like crystals, whereas an untreated specimen does not show any such condition. It is these crystals, possessing of themselves an extremely high melting point, which make the wood proof against the destructive forces of fire. With the knowledge of these basic conditions at hand, it will be readily understood why so many of the so-called “fireproof paints” are of little, if any, value. No paint can be applied with a brush, even in an infinite number of coats, which will penetrate to the innermost cells of a ¾-inch casing, for example. It is merely a surface-producing material and so, handling the situation as charitably as we can, such paints should be called fire retardent, instead of fireproof.

Discussion of Patented Fireproof Paints

Formula of Fireproof Wood

Unfortunately, a very great percentage of “fireproof paints” which I have analyzed and tested are either worthless or else contain materials injurious to the cellulose of the wood itself. For instance, many paints compounded under “secret” formulae comprise such materials as magnesium or sodium silicates (water glass) with casein or glue in solution as a binder. These products are much used, but have an almost negligible protective value. Worst of all, the silicates are quite unstable (that is, proof against chemical change) and are most injurious to the wood fiber, causing grain disintegration in some instances.

A formula which can be used as a retardent, however, which does not have any injurious action on the cellulose, and which does not otherwise affect the staining or finishing of the wood, is as follows:

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<td>Ammonium sulphate</td>
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Apply hot in two coats.

It must be remembered, however, that strictly speaking, wood as in casings, for example, ceases to be fireproof with the above material when over-coated with varnish or shellac, as these products will flash when hot.

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