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Short Talks by the Editor

In High Favor

HOMES with high living rooms are popular again. This type of construction is not just a passing frill, but seems to be getting a firm footing. Of course it is in more general practice on the western coast, but several examples of it may be found in mid-western and eastern residences.

The builder supplies this demand in various kinds of design, each of which have points that recommend it. While the cozy snugness of the 9-foot ceiling is missing there is gained the appearance of roominess as well as the practical benefits of better ventilation, cooler air in warm seasons and pleasing architectural effects.

There is no probability of 14-foot ceilings becoming "the usual thing," but it would not be far from surprising to see them more frequently than we have in the past.

Such construction is an interesting point of proof of the constant shifting and continuous spirit of improvement which saturates the building industry. While not guilty of the bad practice of changing its methods as frequently as a silly flapper changes her mind, the building industry has none of that stubborn-unprogressiveness that halts many industries. Unlike Samantha, the building fraternity is not "sot" in its ways. It welcomes the new just as we all welcome the morning of a new day.

High ceilings are in high favor. Just as is everything in our business that belongs in the "whatsoever things are good" classification.

A Good Clock

"The Time of Day I do not tell
As some do by the clock,
Nor by the distant chiming bell
Set on some steeple rock;
But by the progress that I see
In what I have to do,
Its either Done o'clock or only Half-Past Thru."

TIME is a treacherous yard-stick. The man who slaves and grinds fourteen hours a day is not always twice the man as he who works intelligently for seven hours. The country banker who worries a whole day deciding on the merits of a $10,000 loan cannot be scaled with the successful city brother who weighs the case and gives an answer on a $100,000 loan in fifteen minutes.

It's not the time put on a job that makes it a success. It's the progress made. One bricklayer working eight hours a day and laying 25 per cent more brick than a fellow worker does in ten hours, ranks as more valuable than the slower man, granting, of course, that both do equally good work. But none deny that time is important. Not all—but important. For time is the stuff that accomplishments are made of. But, in itself there is little virtue in time. It's the use of it that counts.

Up to reasonable limits the more time devoted to a task the more results. But its the results not the time that count in the final summing up. Life's question is not "how much time did you spend on that job?" but is, instead, "is it Done o'clock or only Half-Past Thru?"

Crack the Whip

It seems to one outsider that a big possibility for the building fraternity is in closer-knit co-operation. His criticism is that while nearly every other trade body has an association or society the building fraternity, in its broad scope, is a collection of separately acting individuals, lacking a common organization to accomplish common reforms and correct common abuses.

Without too serious consideration of the specific question which the criticism brings up, it is well to remember this general fact—trade bodies, no matter how well oiled, bump and rattle more than the members realize. It isn't all so smooth and good as it looks. It reminds us of the games of childhood days. All the youngsters would join hands in a happy circle, but soon someone would break the chain and the game spilled some of the players over. Or else we would line up for "crack the whip," every child holding hard onto someone else but when the line started in motion some of the players spilled and sprawled all over the ground.

There are good reasons for associations. No question of that. Yet they are not a cure-all for every evil. The sort of building fraternity which can be most practical may be the local association of hardware man, real estate man, dealer, builder and architect, whose common purpose is more and better building.

Good to Talk About

An optimist is a man who can think a happy thought as often as a pessimist can think a discouraging one.

If we will talk about present good times as often as we did about past bad ones, present prosperity will grow to greater size.

Just keep in mind and in the conversation that 1922 is a banner building year.
WHY has life in America in many ways become far less stable and far less secure? Because there is a great stretching out of the vast mass of people, seeking a fulfillment of a real democracy of living conditions. Men desire something that will stabilize their lives. To many people there is nothing ahead but the daily grind, and they are willing to try any new measures or any new life in the belief that it will change their present circumstances.

They, have experimented in Russia. They have experimented in North Dakota and have not found a solution.

You believe that with continued improvement the present system offers the best opportunity for all to gain that desired contentment and prosperity. So do I. True it is in need of constant reform.

Many who are the holders of capital in America today do not know that they are. They do not know that capital is the product of past labor used in further production—or, in other words, that anything available to increase one’s power or influence is capital. The rude bow and arrow of the Indian was capital, a workman’s tools are capital, a man who owns his home possesses capital, a man who has a saving account has capital.

Our “Best Folks”

The most stable population of America has always been made up of the small home or land owner. Today a man who owns his home or his farm is, in a measure, owned by his home or his farm. There are so many elements of respectability that come to him who finds permanent shelter for his loved ones. He probably worked hard to possess it, and when he has it he tries to make it attractive and hold on to it. It is a force of law, since a home owner desires protection by law. He acquires respect for the property of others. He wants good sound government and desires to become an advocate of law and order. Ownership makes him vigilant. I think it was Gladstone who said, “Property always has one eye open.”

But a man can seldom be a home owner or a farm owner or the owner of any of the stabilizers of life until he has been or is the owner of a savings account.

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A Nation of Owners

We cannot become stabilized unless we become a nation of owners. We cannot become a nation of owners until we are a nation of savers. How are we to become savers? In the first place, we must know how to work. We must know how to save. We must know how to take care of our savings. We must know how to send those savings back into circulation. We must have a goal and a confidence that that goal can be reached because we understand the workings of economic law which governs our living and working and trading.

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Home Owning Creates Good Citizenship

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No man can render his community full service unless he first has a feeling of permanent interest in the community. The renter cannot have that feeling as highly developed as the owner. To the latter matters of taxation, improvements, government are of vital concern. He takes a greater interest and part in every community activity.

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The lumber dealer is doing something of the same useful work in making his community a better place to live in as is the minister or social worker. All are concerned with encouraging and bettering home life.

The nation needs homes. The building interests are providing them. No work could be more inspiring or helpful. The builder, carpenter, dealer or contractor may well hold his head high and be proud of his job—the job of making more home owners, which is the job of making more and better citizens.

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He Who Owns His Home Is Owned by His Home

SOLUTION OF MANY OF OUR MORAL AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS MAY BE FOUND IN GREATER HOME OWNING

By John H. Puelicher

First Vice-President American Bankers Association in a Speech Before the Colorado Bankers' Assoc., at Glenwood Springs, June 22, 1922

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THE HIGH LIVING ROOM. One of the marked trends in real modern building is the home with story and one-half or two-story living room. It may appear a fad, but is a practical and commendable plan, in reality. In the design shown here the whole front of the home is devoted to the big living room. A balcony and windows in one bedroom look down on it. This type of living room means better ventilation and light and greater adaptability to social enjoyments. The rear of the house is planned like many others. Isn't this a delightful home to behold, and would you not be proud to live in this roomy, inviting atmosphere?
A DEAR LITTLE HOUSE. We can imagine some woman calling this design "just a dear little place." And she would meant affectionately and not financially, for it is not a dear place in a money sense. Built of stucco with tile roof, it is built to last long and serve well. The ever-popular one-floor plan has been carried out. There are two good-sized bedrooms, a spacious living room and excellent dining and kitchen rooms. The porch is inviting and it is pleasing to note the attractive manner in which the home grounds are kept. This plan will appeal to the average sized family with the averaged-sized building budget.
Waste and Ugliness Target of Zoning Laws

SEPARATE DISTRICTS FOR HOMES, FACTORIES, SHOPS
MAKE HEALTHIER, CLEANER CITIES, SAY CHAMPIONS

A View of a Residential Street in Winnetka, Ill., Typical of Towns That Have Zoning Regulations.

There was a Chinese prince who after enjoying the tasty flavor of roast young pig, commanded the cook to appear before him.

"From whence came this toothsome meat?" asked the royal ruler.

"Your majesty," said the chef with a bow, "a young pig was caught in a burning shed and roasted brown. It was that meat with which you were served."

"Tis well," said the prince. "Twice each week a building containing a pig shall be burned and I will eat thereof."

The folly and waste of the Oriental ruler is said, by the champions of a zoning law for our cities, to be no greater than that which we have tolerated for years.

"That prince seemed to think that the only way to do a thing is the way it has been done, regardless of the waste and discomfort it may cause," said an owner. "We are continuing our methods of hit and miss building to the injury of the community and the annoyance of the general public and with no more good reason than 'it always has been done that way.'"

Clean, Comfortable Cities

Zoning legislation is aimed to make our cities more orderly, better planned, cleaner and healthier. Zoning is simply regulation that in the future buildings of certain types shall be built only in prescribed areas. It forbids the encroachment on residence property with factories and garages. It aims that each city shall have its business section, its residential section and its manufacturing section and that none of these localities shall be used for buildings of a kind not in keeping with the general character of the locality.

One of the most urgent reasons why zoning is advocated by many is the waste and wreckage occasioned by a lack of such restrictions. Every year buildings of usefulness are torn down because of the onward march of business and its demands on what was once residential district. Homes are made less valuable because a public garage has been built next door. Owners are forced to sell at a fraction of the actual value because the property has been lessened in value.

No Future Fears

With zoning laws this waste would be stopped, it is said. Property owners could build secure that no large building would take their sunshine and fresh air, no garage would locate next door, no factory would drive them to a new location. And it is claimed that such regulations would benefit manufacturers, garage owners and others who are now compelled to build on expensive land, but who, under zoning, would secure
About 170 cities in the United States now have some sort of zoning restrictions. The movement is not confined to the large metropolises, but many medium and small sized cities are actively aligned with the zoning movement. The experience and aims of Wilmette, Ill., are interesting because the city is typical of many smaller municipalities that have zoning legislation.

As Harry M. Beardsley points out in the Daily News, Wilmette is expanding towards a 40,000 population. As it grows there will be an increasing number of stores, shops and factories. Why not arrange for them with a plan that will best serve everybody?

Wilmette is now a village of about 8,000 people, a community of substantial homes, churches, schools, beautiful trees, well-kept lawns, shrubs, flowers, parks and playgrounds. Three areas located near transportation terminals have been zoned as retail districts. Industrial districts are confined to stretches along the steam railways and the balance of Wilmette's 2.8 square miles is given over to residential locations.

At first thought it might seem that only large cities with their varied activities would be interested in zoning. Actually zoning is more practical for the smaller community that is destined to grow than for the large city already built up. In the latter cases occupied and valuable property must be torn down, costly court proceedings must be instituted and private loss and inconvenience must result. In smaller cities much of this can be avoided by planning for the future.

The best results cannot be expected by a make-over process. It is better to look ahead and plan ahead than to allow conditions to become bad before applying the remedy.

A survey made by the U. S. Government in June showed twenty-five states had passed enabling statutes allowing cities to make zoning regulations and that 170 cities then had zoning laws. Other cities are being added to the number quite frequently.

Persons interested in zoning facts and progress may secure further information by asking for pamphlets from the Division of Housing and Building, Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C.

**Hardwoods Have Hard Sledding in Italy**

The opportunity for the sale of American hardwoods in Italy appears to be decidedly limited. Red gum for furniture making and oak for hardwood flooring, especially the former, were imported in considerable quantities before the war, but while they are favorably known, the present demand is limited by the high prices and the unfavorable rate of exchange. It cannot be said that other American hardwoods have ever been introduced into Italy, and the present conditions are decidedly unfavorable for making any such attempt, according to a report of Commercial Attache H. G. MacLean, Rome.

Put your problem up to practical builders in our correspondence department.
BRICK MAKES A HOME BEAUTIFUL. Long life and exceptional appearance are given this practical design by the use of the always pleasing combination of brick and tile. Zinc spouting also adds permanence to this particularly desirable home. And it is just as inviting within as without. Four upstairs bedrooms make it a home for a good-sized family. The roominess of the first floor rooms is most desirable. There is sure to be appreciation for the bay window and for the dormer windows. The closest analysis will place this suggestion in the class of homes beautiful.
SUBSTANTIAL AND ROOMY. Aren't those qualities every home builder will welcome? They are abundantly provided in this plan. The house has a stalwart, rugged appearance and there is room for the big family, too. There are four upstairs bedrooms and no cramping at all in the bigness of the day rooms. The house is a welcome combination of frame and stucco construction—good to look at and, better still, to live in. The library is just the feature many owners will want. And of course the pleasing porch and fireplace add home-likeness.
What a relief this arrangement is from that overstuffed, jammed-in appearance some living rooms have! It invites and is genuinely comfortable, but has none of that crowded atmosphere which will mar any room. A careful and not too numerous choice of dignified furniture, draperies and neat rugs make a living room live up to its name and be really livable.
A Brick and Shingle House That is Pleasing

PRACTICAL SUGGESTION FOR REINFORCED HOME-LIKE HOME THAT MAY BE ECONOMICALLY BUILT ANYWHERE

By R. C. Hunter

HERE we have a house that from the exterior is quiet and dignified.

A rough texture brick in various shades of red, purple and brown, with a raked joint of natural shade of the cement and with the joints rather narrow is used. This gives a good appearing wall and is used for the first story.

The second story and roof are covered with a gray weathered shingle and the woodwork is painted a light brown. The window sash are run white. Houses that have the trim "cut in" with strong contrasting colors are not so pleasing as where the trim matches or nearly matches the body colors. This "cutting in," one used to find almost universal, is now considered out of taste. "Flashy" combinations of colors are no longer used for the better class of houses.

The plans of this house show that the architects have worked out the arrangements with a view to economy of space and with consideration for the housewife and her duties.

On the first floor the usual entrance hall has been eliminated and entrance is directly into the living room. This gives a large living room and also makes the route from the service portion of the house to the front door as short as possible so that many steps are saved in answering calls to the front door.

The stairs are in the rear of the house where they serve the main rooms, the kitchen and the cellar in a most convenient way.

The study as well as the living room opens into the living porch. This porch is completely enclosed and heated.

On the second floor are found three main bedrooms and a servant's room, a bath and plenty of closets.

Each bedroom has cross-ventilation and the numer-

ous windows insure plenty of light.

In the cellar is the laundry, the heater and coal storage spaces, and such.

This house is well placed on the lot and it sits close to the ground, as houses should.

+ Review Russian Lumber Industry

LUMBER operations in the forests of north and west Russia are reviving thru the participation of foreign capital, and it is estimated that the exports for the 1922 season will exceed 200,000,000 feet of sawn lumber. Prior to the war the lumber exports of Russia amounted to between 2,000,000,000 and 3,000,000,000 feet yearly, which dwindled practically to nothing following the bolshevist revolution.
A HOME THAT INVITES. The front porch seems to express the thought "you are welcome," its spacious expanse being decidedly inviting. And that homelike atmosphere has been well worked out in the interior plan. The living room of 14 feet 6 inches by 16 feet is of good size without being overly large. It is made more cheerful by a fireplace. The dining room and kitchen are well lighted and there is good light and ventilation in the pantry. The three sleeping rooms are all above stairs and well located with relation to the bathroom.
A BEAUTIFUL BRICK HOME. Many splendid features are built into this home, including a well-lighted and pleasingly formed sun parlor, side entrance, built-in bookcases and buffet, a pleasing provision of French doors and linen closet indoors, as well as enduring exterior materials. Such a home complies with the most exacting fire laws, being of brick and cut stone with tile roof. It is a type of home that is in popular favor with city builders because all the rooms are on one floor. Investing in such a home is good economy because of unusual durability and freedom from excessive up-keep costs.
A Well Planned Flat Building of Brick

UNUSUAL EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR FEATURES STAMP
QUALITY AND CONVENIENCE ON THIS GOOD DESIGN

By Charles Alma Byers

The flat building illustrated here not only is of rather distinctive architectural style, as seen from the street, but also possesses a somewhat unusually planned interior. It is especially practical and attractive as a design for the building that is to be located on a corner lot, which offers either satisfactory possibilities or decided advantages for facing the entrance toward the side street.

"Turn About Face!"
The lot utilized in this instance is 55 feet wide by approximately 140 feet long. Originally the street to which it presents its lesser dimension was regarded as being the one that offered the more natural frontage for the improvements, but the subsequent conversion of the one along the side into a sort of boulevard reversed the order. The building was therefore planned to have its entrance face the latter.

The building has a maximum width of 83 feet and a depth, exclusive of slight extensions at the front and rear entrances, of only 40 feet. It contains four flat apartments—two on each floor. And in addition to this main structure, a garage for each flat is also provided, these garages, constituting a single long building to the right, likewise having their entrances faced toward the street that runs lengthwise of the lot.

The outside walls of this flat building are constructed of dark red brick of rough texture, laid in white mortar. White keystones of molded cement are used over the first-story windows, and the wood trimming is also principally in white, which, however, is supplemented by black paint for the window sash and by mahoganized front doors. The roof, which, with its odd little dormers and its peak ornamentations, stimulates a sort of French chateau effect, is covered with composition shingles, of dark sage-green color.

Intriguing Entrance

The front entrance is designed with a small entrance porch possessed of massive brick pillars which form a broad arched doorway on the front and an open window effect at either side. This porch is floored with white cement, and its top is finished so as to provide a small second-story balcony, enclosed by an attractive
wood railing. Recessed off the rear of this entrance porch there is a sort of open vestibule, also floored with cement, from which opens a separate front door to each of the four apartments.

Referring to the accompanying floor plans, it will be seen that each flat or apartment contains living room, dining room, bathroom, kitchen, the usual rear-entry porch, two bedrooms, and a little screened sleeping porch, besides numerous closets and built-in features. Aside from certain minor variations occasioned by the stairways to the second floor, the interior planning of the four flats is uniform. The front doors of the ones on the first floor open from the entrance vestibule directly to the living rooms, while those giving access to the upstairs apartments naturally open to private stairway halls, ultimately to provide entry to the living rooms by way of special little landing. The arrangement in this respect gives to each of the first-floor units an extra closet, located off one corner of the living room, and to one of the second-floor flats an additional little room, which is utilized as a den. French doors lead from this den into the little front balcony.

**Built-In Features**

In the way of closets and built-in features, each flat possesses a closet for each bedroom, a linen cabinet and a closet for wraps in the hall leading off from the living room, a draft cooler-closet, excellent cupboards and drawer cabinets, and the other customary conveniences in the kitchen, and, further, a little pass-pantry with the usual equipment of cupboard room and serving shelf—besides, of course, the living-room closets of the lower flats already mentioned. The living room in all instances also possesses a good fireplace, with a mantel of brick and wood and a tile hearth.

The interior finish is neat and attractive but comparatively inexpensive. In the living rooms and dining rooms it consists of pine in old ivory, with a small amount of mahogany trim; in the bedrooms and sleeping porches it is of pine in old ivory alone, and in the bathrooms and kitchens it is comprised of white enamel. Hardwood floors and paper-finished walls prevail throughout, except in the bathrooms and kitchen, and in these the walls are finished with a smooth, hard surface and enameled like the woodwork, while the floors of the bathrooms are of tile and of pine in the kitchens. The stairways to the second-floor flats, as well as the one den, are finished to correspond with the style prevailing in the living rooms.

It perhaps should be called to attention that the screened sleeping porches or rooms are provided with glass windows, making them into quite the usual closed room—with the exception that their two outside walls are given over almost entirely to windows and that they are somewhat limited as to dimensions. Naturally they would make very satisfactory sun rooms, if such use of them should be preferred.

**No Basement**

This flat building has no basement or cellar, but it is equipped with built-in gas radiators for heating and with all other modern conveniences. It is located in Los Angeles, Calif., and was designed by E. B. Rust, architect, of that city.

**An Investment in Good Health**

The modern bathroom with its sanitation and due consideration for convenience may occupy small space in the home, but it assumes large proportions in the planning of that home. Stinting the bathroom is a costly form of saving. Making it as luxurious and complete as possible is not extravagance, it's simply good sense.

The better you build the better your standing as a builder. And the better your reputation the better business is bound to be.
COMPACT WITHOUT CRAMPING. Quite an important thing in a home, too. This design gives one-floor room arrangement, but the rooms are not in the bungalow class. The living room is 16½ feet by 13, and the dining room is 17 by 12 feet, which dimensions are liberally large. This design will appeal to those who wish to build with moderate cost but who do not wish to sacrifice convenience. The expansive porch with its brick pillars topped with concrete posts add a touch of refinement. The local builder's figures will prove the house can be built at attractive costs.
ALTOGETHER HOME-LIKE. This suggestion will appeal to those with conservative tastes, who prefer the practical to the fanciful. It conforms to a well recognized style and gives full home conveniences. The bungalow type permits pleasing room arrangements. There is a good-sized living and dining room and the two bedrooms are large enough. The kitchen and pantry are handily planned. The big porch will register favorably with everyone. Those homes built on a general square plan are economical to build and they permit judicious use of the floor space.
CLOTHES do not make the man and buildings do not make the business, but the important influence of physical appearances is none the less vital. The same reaction that leads a woman to trade at a big, beautiful, well-stocked department store prompts a man to prefer a bank which is housed in a substantial structure.

The Waterbury National Bank, Waterbury, Conn., in its new building sought to erect a structure that would be a continuous reminder of the bank's solidity and permanence. It decided on time-defying construction because of the value it has in itself and because it would be a silent but powerful advertisement for the strength, solidity and longevity of the institution.

No May I Dread

Another factor that prompted the board to select durable construction was the desire to avoid the costly interruption of business which moving or rebuilding necessitates. The building was made big enough and built well enough to serve the need of today and the requirements of the future.

With the motives to build well and to build to allow for future growth of business the natural result is a building of ample space and of a high type of construction, both in design and the quality of the materials used.

The outer walls of the Waterbury bank are of brick with a heavy facing of limestone. Both the brick and limestone are set in straight lime mortar mixed in the proportion of one part of lime to three parts of sand. Limestone is recognized as having the quality of durability and combines this desired element nicely with beauty.

Not New, But Good

The practice of using limestone and lime mortar together is an ancient one. Many buildings which have stood for centuries have been built in this manner. One marked advantage of this combination is that the mortar early changes into a material identical with the stone itself, so far as chemical composition is concerned, so that both mortar and stone have the same coefficient of expansion and practically the same durability as well as harmonious appearance.

Such a structure is less apt to be seriously affected by temperature changes and has increased life because it is built of major materials of long endurance and lesser materials of the same quality, and which act as one under changing conditions.

In such construction both stone and mortar are practically insoluble and impervious to moisture. This is, of course, a guarantee that there is no practical danger of the stone breaking away from the mortar beds due to the different rates of expansion or contraction caused by temperature variations. This is an advantage not always realized when dissimilar materials are used but one of the gains of limestone and lime mortar construction.

All interior partitions in the Waterbury bank building are built of hollow tile, laid in lime-cement mortar, mixed in the proportions of one part of cement, one part of lime and six parts sand. All of the plaster in this building is of the well established straight lime plastering method, applied in three coats, a type which is economical and known for long service.

The interior is a fit companion of the exterior.

Beauty and durability are served within as well as without in this structure. A generous investment in marble of fine texture and finish is of course of decorative value as well as good economy because of its long life. The marble is set in lime mortar as well as the outer walls of limestone.

Wherever concrete was used in this structure there was an admixture of hydrated lime. This combination is calculated to make the mixture more workable and to make it watertight. Greater workability permits a smoother and denser concrete which adds durability to the building. The hydrated lime was 10 per cent by weight of the portland cement used.

The architect for this pleasing permanent bank home was Cass Gilbert.
OFTENTIME the difference between the ordinary and the exceptional, the span between inferiority and quality is but a short step. And nowhere is that short step more profitably taken than in building a home. Just why many level-headed folks will expend thousands of dollars on a home and then save a few hundred dollars on materials is a question that permits of no satisfactory answer.

The September front cover home is an excellent illustration of the wisdom of the builder who took the short step that elevates the home from the common class to the select circle of exceptionally well-built residences. No attempt has been made to secure the ornate, there is an absence of freak ideas in design and fads have been wholly discarded yet this home stands forth as one of decided quality.

High Quality Materials

This wholesome result has been secured by the proper selection of material. The owner has adopted the motto of quality and in doing so has built, perhaps, better than he knew. Surely there is the stamp of good judgment and excellence on this design. What a difference good materials do make! A master tailor could not fashion the clothes from cheese cloth that he can make from broadcloth; tin will never make as good an automobile as steel and paper shoes cannot class with those made of first quality calf-skin. So shoddy building material will never do honor to the architect's finest plan nor answer the quest for a home that inservice and attractiveness can satisfy.

This is a quality home because it has been well built of quality materials. To study any feature of it is to admire it. For instance, the roof is of asbestos shingles. Such shingles are being used on every type of good building from humble cottages to castles, in public buildings such as railroad and government structures and in such elaborate enterprises as hotels, homes on large estates, etc. It is a type of roofing endorsed by exacting builders everywhere.

Permanent and Attractive

These shingles are noted for permanency, fire-resistant qualities and beauty. They make a good home better because that home will last longer, resist the ravages of fire and possess a pleasing quality that less durable material lacks. It's a roofing that is stable, economical and gives relief from the constant expense and annoyance of upkeep, and no roof could be more attractive.

The ideals of permanence and fire-safe construction have been followed throughout the building. Concrete, brick and asbestos are noted for long life and fire resistance. Their use in this highly desirable

front cover home have accomplished the aim of the owner for a home that would withstand the attack of time and stubbornly meet fire destruction.

Excellent Floor Plan

Within, as well as without, this plan commends itself. Who could fail to appreciate the inviting roominess of a living room that measures 23 feet 6 inches by 13 feet and that boasts a cozy fireplace and an abundance of light? If cozy comfort is sought the den answers that desire. There is the often-
"It belongs on the street of quality homes. This design is in eminent good taste. The lines are substantial and graceful, too. It is a home that is not only bright to look at but bright to dwell in, the window openings affording an abundance of sunshine and brightness. Any lack of a number of rooms is wholly compensated by the size of the rooms provided. Among the distinguishing features are the entrance porch, the terrace, a pergola and sleeping porch and a cozy fireplace. To all practical purposes the sleeping porch may be regarded as a third bedroom as it is of good size and has a convenient closet."
WELL SUITED FOR LARGER FAMILIES. With its four bedrooms and a sewing room that can be pressed into service as a sleeping room should necessity arise, this home suggestion fully meets the needs of the sizeable family. It is a rather elaborate enlargement of the popular bungalow type. Note the pleasing pillars and arches of the porch and the bay window treatment in the dining room. The long sweep of the roof lines and dormer window treatment of the front bedroom are very pleasing. The convenience of a sewing room will win favor. While there are eight rooms in this home all of them are of fair size.
That unsettled question of whether happiness dwells in mansions or cottages will always be an individual matter. But a general opinion is that happiness need not be shut out because the home is modest and that very often there is greater likelihood of ideal home life in the sane quiet of the little dwelling than in the gay swirl of the social mansion.

Anyway, it is a pronounced trend in modern building to prefer the compact, small home. There are many sound reasons for that preference. The small home costs less to build, costs less to maintain, may
be more easily managed and it affords a coziness not to be found "in marble halls."

The Desirable Bungalowette

The bungalowette is now accepted practice in building and so popular is the type that it may now be regarded developed to its highest perfection. Excellent use of the space afforded provides a home that for efficiency and convenience takes no second place when compared with the more costly and more spacious residences.

In this design is there any serious lack? The porch is both pleasing and usable. The living room is big, well lighted and satisfyingly provided with desk, bookcase and closet. Meals are served in the living room. A combined library and dining table makes such a plan feasible. China is kept in the china case at one side of the fireplace and convenient to the kitchen. Sleeping facilities, of course, are afforded by an in-a-door bed. Now what more should a home give its occupants? And yet all this has been attained within the limits of a ground area that is 18 by 20 feet 6 inches.

Kitchen

The kitchen arrangements are worthy of special study. There are two really large built-in cases at either side of the sink, while the opposite side of the room takes care of the refrigerator and range. Such an arrangement is a time and step saver and when it is found in so well-lighted a "woman's workshop" the admiration we feel is materially increased. The toilet opens off the kitchen.

The general appearance of the home is good and it is enhanced by the care of the lawn. Potted plants, neat shrubbery, and stretches of well-kept lawn make a frame in which the pleasing picture is all the more appealing.

Homes for All

This message of "all the comforts of home within the reach of modest purses" is a message which the building fraternity is taking to a home-hungry population all up and down the land and in preaching this gospel of small homes a great deal is being done to bridge the gap of lack of homes.

The bungalowette is new but not untried. Local builders will give exact estimates and in every case the reasonable price at which this design may be followed will be an encouraging factor to interested parties to realize their long cherished dream for a home of their own.

A home that meets every need and is far from prohibitive in cost is the hope of many would-be owners. The realization of that hope has been made possible, in many cases, by building a bungalowette. Such homes present endless possibilities in little refinements such as the imitation tile work shown in the kitchen as pictured here.

The home instinct is universal. The bungalowette makes home owning possible for almost anyone.
A HOME ANYONE WOULD BE PROUD TO OWN. No street could be so exclusive as to exclude this home. It is big, beautiful and planned in exceptionally good taste. The two sun porches, the immense living room, well designed entrance porch and the terrace are a few of the numerous commendable features. There are four upstairs bedrooms, each 11 feet by 12 feet, with good sized closets, and there is an extra closet off the hall. The use of durable and beautiful material does credit to the simple, sturdy and yet most attractive lines of this quality home. The two sun porches have all the snug protection of two rooms and in warmer weather the upper decks may be used as balconies.
A SMALL HOME WITH IMPOSING ROOF LINES. The expansive lines and artistic treatment of the roof of this design are sure to attract attention and arouse admiration. A little ingenuity and slight extra expense result in elevating this home out of the ordinary and commonplace into the exceptional and distinctive class. And any reliable builder can duplicate the features that make this an unusually admirable plan. All the rooms are on one floor and all are of comfortable size. The living room is large and light and has a fireplace and built-in bookcases.
Better Illumination for Bedroom and Bath

Correct Lighting of Less Used Rooms Possible thru Special Fixtures rightly placed.

By A. W. Powell and H. A. Smith

In 5 Parts. Part 4.

In the lighting of the bedroom comfort and convenience must be especially kept in mind. If a central ceiling fixture is used, it should be depended upon for general lighting of moderate intensity, except in very small rooms. A tinted inverted bowl with possibly an appropriate hand-painted design is a desirable unit for this purpose; or a silk shade may be used on this unit harmonizing with the draperies or wall coverings.

The general arrangement of lighting outlets in the bedroom will depend upon the placement of the furniture. In most cases it is desirable to provide a low intensity of general illumination from a central luminaire, preferably of the semi-indirect type, from 40 to 75 watts are desirable in this unit. It should be controlled by a wall switch near the entrance doorway to avoid stumbling about the dark in search of the key socket.

Wall Brackets Desirable

Wall brackets can be used to good advantage in the bedroom, especially when placed about six feet above the floor on either side of the dresser. These may also be used on either side of the dressing table, although they should be placed lower on the wall. Small portable lamps are sometimes used on the dresser or dressing table, and proper outlets should be placed in the baseboard to provide for these. A small fixture suspended from the ceiling is very often used above the center of the dressing table. This furnishes the proper illumination for dressing the hair.

An outlet should also be provided near the bed for a small portable lamp. If the room is large, additional wall brackets may be used with silk shades, harmonizing with the decoration of the room.

The harmony of equipment in the boudoir is very important. In the example illustrated here, the austere type of architecture is an excellent setting for the formality of the parchment used on the semi-indirect and wall luminaries.

Where the closet is in such a position that it does not receive light from the room itself, a simple type of receptacle should be provided close to the ceiling with a low wattage, diffusing bulb lamp. A door switch for such a position is a convenience and an economy.

Wired Furniture Favored

Wired furniture is an added convenience for the
Milady's Toilet Demands a Well Lighted Wired Dressing Table. bedroom as well as the dining room. The dresser can be wired for portable lamps, the dressing table for the use of the electric curling iron and vibrator; the bed for the use of the heating pad. In addition, the turn of an inconspicuous miniature switch illuminates a lamp beneath the bed, throwing just sufficient light upon the floor to see without disturbing the slumber of anyone else in the room.

The Bathroom
The problem in the bathroom is to provide a suitable arrangement of lamps for the mirror. The solution of this problem is simple despite the many devices which have been designed. In order to see an object it must be illuminated whether it is viewed directly or its image is viewed in the mirror. Two-light brackets, one on each side of the mirror at a height of about five feet, answer this purpose very well. This lighting will eliminate shadows during such operations as shaving, and one being on each side of the mirror, the face is well illuminated.

Care should be taken in locating the lighting outlets in the bathroom in order that shadows of the occupant of the room will not be cast on the window. There should be convenience outlets for the electric heater, hair dryer, hot water mug, vibrator or other appliances.

Lighting the Porch
In order that the home may invite one's friends and repel intruders, the porch should be well illuminated. A porch often serves merely as an entrance, but may act as an outdoor living room. Of course in these two radically different lighting will be employed. In the first type, only a small amount of illumination is required for safety and to enable one to see the name plate, doorbell or button. A 10-watt Mazda lamp will burn for a long period at a very low cost and serves excellently on the porch in a weatherproof type enclosed globe, lantern fixture, or luminous house number. An outlet is also necessary at the rear porch or service entrance. In the large porch or sunroom, much novelty can be introduced. Indirect luminaries of metal or actual wickerwork lined with cretonne or tinted glassware are suitable in introducing a touch of color harmony.
Artificial or natural flowers or vines can be effectively applied as exemplified oftentimes. Convenience outlets on the porch attaching portable lamps or other devices should be of the weatherproof type and located in such positions that they will not collect moisture.

In many homes we find that due thought and attention has been given to the lighting of the principally used rooms, such as the living room and dining room, but that other important rooms have been slighted or are made less usable and attractive by misplaced or wrong type fixtures. Now while no one seeks to over-rate the importance of the right lighting on the porch or in the less used rooms, still care to rightly light these less used places will be justified by the increased enjoyment which proper illumination will give these rooms of lesser importance.

Reading is almost a lost art in the hot period. People seek the out of doors and do not care to sit inside four walls and attempt to read a book or the magazines. But in homes where the porch is properly lighted one may spend a breeze-swept evening comfortably under a reading lamp while enjoying the porch.

“Old Order Changes”

The matter of bathroom lighting has shown a pronounced change in the past few years. Older houses quite generally have only one source of illumination and that is in the ceiling. Either direct or indirect lighting fixtures in that position do not give the localized lighting desired at the mirror. And of course older bathrooms wholly ignored the importance of convenience outlets in that room.

While there may be some justification for older residences being improperly wired and lighted, there is little excuse for the builder of today who slights these very important matters. The whole question of right illumination is one of recent development. We had the electric light many years before engineers, architects and builders gave very much consideration to how or where they were installed. During the past few years, however, this question has come in for a great deal of study and definite principles have been established.

The general principle of an abundance of light takes first thought, perhaps, but it is hardly more important than having the light properly positioned. And this principle is just as important in the bedroom, bath room and porch as it is in the major rooms of the house.
The Man Who Likes a Tree
I like a man who likes a tree,
And want no better company,
For such a man I always find
Is just the very sort and kind
Who’s not content unless it be
He too can grow much like a tree.

I like a man who likes a tree
No further introduction he
Will ever need to win my heart;
To me he is the counterpart
Of usefulness and comfort, too,
And does the good few others do.

I like a man who likes a tree,
He’s so much more of a man to me;
For when he sees its blessings there,
In some way, too, he wants to share
Whatever gifts his own may be
In helping others, like a tree.

For trees you know are friends indeed,
They satisfy such human need;
In summer shade, in winter fire,
With fruit and lumber meet all desire,
And if a friend to man you’d be,
You must befriend him like a tree.
—Charles A. Heath in Nuggets.

Stalwart Men and Stalwart Trees Have Qualities That All Admire.

Well Known Agency Has New Building of Its Own
In occupying their new building devoted entirely to advertising and merchandising, Brooke, Smith & French, Inc., well known Detroit advertising agency, have established themselves in one of the most completely equipped agency plants of this country.

Ten years ago even the foremost advertising agencies occupied a few rooms in an office building. Now some of the larger agencies have especially designed or remodeled buildings they occupy exclusively.

This new building occupied by Brooke, Smith & French, Inc., containing more than 6,000 square feet of floor area is of striking appearance and centrally located. In addition to the executive offices, adequate facilities are provided for the specialized departments of Research, Copywriting, Media, Mechanical Production, Checking, Shipping and Auditing.

Building Big in Canada
Any opinion that the United States is alone in the enjoyment of a great building revival is contradicted by reports from other countries, most of whom are having active seasons.

This is especially true in Canada. Figures collected by the Canadian press show that in fourteen western cities from the head of the lakes to Vancouver, building permits issued during the first six months of the present year exceed $14,500,000, which is more than $3,000,000 in excess of the corresponding period of 1921. Winnipeg and Vancouver each have gone over the $4,000,000 mark; Port Arthur, Saskatoon, Edmonton, and Calgary are close to, or in excess of $1,000,000 each. Almost every point reports a healthy increase. Residential building accounts for a large share of the total.

Stalwart Men and Stalwart Trees Have Qualities That All Admire.
A NY manufacturer who develops a building material towards the elimination of maintenance cost is directly serving and helping the prospective home owner.

Of all essential parts of the house, the problem of the roof has always been a perplexing one to solve in a manner that would combine beauty with economy, and both of these with permanency and lifelong freedom from maintenance cost.

A solution, however, seems now at hand in the form of copper shingles, which have been mechanically perfected and tested and which have also been conservatively priced, when their permanence is considered.

The initial cost is but little more than for wooden shingles.

**Convenient to Lay**

The copper shingle, in a convenient unit size, is a distinctly new and welcome addition to building materials. The roof of sheet copper has been the standard of service and permanency for centuries, and throughout the country there are many instances of durability which can be noted, such as — the roof of Trinity Church, for example, laid in 1847, and which has not called for five dollars worth of repairs in all the intervening years.

Sheet copper, however, because of the cost to lay it, has never until today figured prominently as a roofing material for residences.

But now the extensive experimentation of one leading manufacturer has produced a shingle of sheet copper, with a thick butt as in the wood shingle, and of lightness permitting inexpensive roof framing. The labor item, too, is reduced to a very reasonable level.

One of the most conspicuous advantages of the new copper shingles is found in their adaptability for putting new roofs on old buildings. Not only is it unnecessary to make any changes in the framing of the roof, but copper shingles may be laid over old wood shingles, producing a permanent and beautiful roof with a minimum of labor cost.

**Ideal for Re-Roofing**

When an old roof has reached the point where replacement is necessary, where even expensive repairs will no longer keep it in condition, home-owners begin to appreciate the advantages of a roof of absolute
Copper—A Satisfactory Shingle

Permanency and complete freedom from maintenance costs, a roof which cannot deteriorate even under centuries of time—and the copper shingle now offers such harassed owners the opportunity to escape forever from the annual repair bill and the otherwise inevitable replacement cost by re-roofing with impervious copper.

Copper, as a metal, needs no argument. It is like sterling silver, and its salvage value is 60 per cent of the initial cost of the roof. It is permanent, non-corrosive and unaffected by temperature or weather. Properly grounded, it is its own lightning protection, and it minimizes fire hazards at all times.

As a result of the inherent qualities of the metal of which it is made, the copper roof shows its greatest economy in absolute and life-long freedom from maintenance cost. On buildings in many parts of the world are copper roofs which have stood the test of centuries, without repairs or protection.

Distinctively Beautiful

And in addition to these fundamental virtues as a roofing material, copper has its own unique beauty—its range of highly artistic colors, which can be selected or blended to harmonize with any color scheme, or add a rich note of color where color is otherwise absent. The natural color which copper assumes immediately upon contact with the elements, is well known—a soft, variegated green. Added to these are: Autumn reds, russet browns, olive, emerald and blue green, peacock blue and several other beautiful colors, which, being a part of the actual metal, never change or fade. They possess, moreover, a soft velvety texture, entirely unlike the hard gloss of some materials.

With this combination of economical and artistic advantages inherent in the roof of copper shingles, it occurs frequently that the prospective builder will go over his plans and specifications, and will decide that a cheap, temporary roof must eventually prove expensive in repairs and replacement, and that his best course is to figure on a roof which will be both permanent and beautiful, its first cost its last, and its appearance a continuous source of joy—the roof of copper shingles.

Doctors Only in This Building

A N interesting example of the special building built for a special purpose is an office structure to be occupied entirely by physicians.

A syndicate of St. Louis physicians has taken an option on an entire block bounded by Grand Boulevard, St. Alphonse Street, Windsor Place and Bell Avenue, on which an eight-story office building for the exclusive use of physicians will be erected. The ground will cost $160,000 and the building will cost $400,000. The structure will be something new and a model of its type, being especially constructed for the use of physicians and surgeons. The lower floor will be leased to a drug store and several medical and hospital supply houses.

Stock in the company which will erect the building will be sold only to doctors and no doctor will be allowed to buy more than 15 shares of stock.
SPACE saving in the bathroom is always desired. It is usually striven for and accomplished, in general, but a further means of space better used is provided in a special built-in bath tub, in use for over a year and growing in popularity.

The story of the birth of this compact bath is interesting. An architect drew the plans for it during the war and was advised to hold up experimental work until the times were more normal. Later on another architect, a friend of the inventor, went to work on the same idea. The same manufacturer, who was interested in the original plans, found him busy on the idea and after some study made an arrangement to manufacture the space-saving tub.

While this company holds a license during the life of the patent to manufacture it in any material, the tub has been standardized and is marketed only as a porcelain of high quality.

**Combination Bath Tub Helps To Save Space**

**GIVES ADVANTAGES OF SHOWER, FOOT AND TUB BATH**

**LEAVES AMPLE ROOM FOR ALL OTHER FIXTURES**

**Generally Approved**

During the year the tub has been on the market it has enjoyed high favor. Home builders have shown a real preference for it and have asked architects and builders to plan on its installation. While the tub may be installed in any home, it is more desirable that it should be considered in the early plans, as it calls for being sunk in the floor and this, naturally, makes a better job possible if the house is designed with that fact in mind.

It will be noted that this tub provides for several bath conveniences and is not confined to the one use of the ordinary bath tub. It is, in fact, a combination tub that may be used as a sitz bath, a foot bath, a child's bath or as a shower.

Used as an ordinary bath it covers the body as in a longer tub and still it uses less water, which means less time in filling and less expense in heating the water, quite a factor where more costly water heating methods are used by a considerable number of persons.

When a foot bath is wanted it is only necessary to partly disrobe.

Of course it is convenient to have a bath that fits...
Ample Bath Room in Limited Space

Its outside length is 4 feet 4 inches and its outside width is 3 feet.

The tub has a convenient hand rail.

In cost it compares favorably with any tub purchasable.

Lays 700,000 Brick in Two Years

Is there an American bricklayer who has ever beaten this record?

The championship in bricklaying, from the standpoint of the amount of work done by one man, is claimed by a British workman, Hotham Browne. Single-handed he has just finished laying all the bricks, 700,000 of them, in the Oxford Theatre at Workington, Cumberland. The job took two years.

The magnitude of this undertaking is seen by the fact that the building is 150 feet long and 50 feet wide, and will accommodate 1,400 people. When he had laid the first 100,000 people christened the building "Browne's monument," but it is now known as "the house that Browne built."

Heathier and Happier

COMPLETE and modern plumbing fixtures conserve health and increase the enjoyment of living. Any investment that makes a man and his family happier and healthier is a gilt-edged investment.

Saving space and gaining convenience is the ideal way to plan a bathroom. It can easily be done if special space-saving equipment is used.
WHEN the first of the Pharaohs saw the reports of sundry specialists who had been called to probe the royal anatomy, he concluded that as an insurance prospect he was no longer rated A-1, and that in the natural process of events he was destined to check his mortal baggage at the dock of the River Styx at an early date. He was impressed with the necessity of building himself a monument, lest his glories be forgotten.

"Summon my bearded architects," he said, "and have them plan a memorial that will endure forever. Never mind how long it takes to build it—what are the lives of a hundred thousand slaves whose toil it takes? Don't bother me with it again. Build it."

Crawled Ahead on Man Power

So work began. The world moved sluggishly in those days. Speed had not become an essential of life. What one generation failed to finish another generation took up. Artisans spent a lifetime on a single piece of construction, and, dying, passed down their tools to their children. The world moved on man power. The straining muscles of a thousand slaves drove the galleys of Phoenicia, of Carthage and of Rome; the broad shoulders of an army of Egyptian bondsmen bent beneath the ponderous masonry of the Pyramids.

Ox—A Symbol of Speed

The stolid ox, first to be drafted to the cause of transportation, was the symbol of the speed required by the age, and for many years he met every need. But more rapid action, more strength, greater efficiency later become the cry. Then comes the horse.

For centuries the horse was the symbol of the speed and strength essential for the world's necessities, and until the early days of the twentieth century he reigned supreme, the dominating factor in transportation, man's invaluable friend and aid.

But today Dobbin is passing.

The genius of man has harnessed the strength of three-thousand horses in a compact motor, mounted it on frames of steel stronger than any combination of flesh and bone, vitalized it by electric currents—and beheld the modern motor truck having the power and the strength of a thousand slaves of pyramid days.

Good-Bye, Dobbin

There are multiplying evidences that "the passing of Dobbin" is not a mere figure of speech. In the commercial field practically every installation of a motor truck means the curtailment of the number of horses used, and, in most instances, is the forerunner of the complete passing of horse equipment.

In no other field has the passing of the horse been more rapid than in the building industry. This industry lends itself particularly to motorization. Efficiency has been gained by the substitution of motor trucks for horse-drawn equipment.

Motor trucks serve the builder at every stage of construction. They help, in many instances, to raise older buildings. They haul the engineers to the sites; they haul back the stone and steel, the brick and cement of which the foundations are built. They haul the lumber, the marble, the brass, the hardware, the ornamentation. They deliver the heating and lighting plants and fixtures, the plumbing, paints, the furniture and telephone systems. At every point of contact they speed up the process of building. Altho motor trucks have been generally used by builders only within the last ten years, every great city in America boasts of millions of dollars' worth of construction in which horses have played but a minor part.

Makes Hard Tasks Easy

A notable case in point is that of the $4,000,000 high-level bridge spanning the Cuyahoga at Cleveland and connecting the eastern and western sections of that great city.

To this one structure alone a fleet of White trucks hauled 543,000 sacks of cement, 69,692 tons of sand, 15,653 tons of limestone, 108,900 cubic yards of mixed concrete, several thousand cubic yards of slag and many hundreds tons of steel, miscellaneous building materials, tools and supplies—a miracle of carrying service which, it is freely conceded, enabled the builders to complete this monumental work many months before it could possibly have been completed without the use of these trucks, saved the city thousands of dollars and materially aided in reducing traffic congestion at a time when each passing day added to the seriousness of traffic problems.
Motor Trucks Help Builders

In the transportation of building supplies under widely varying conditions dealers and producers have found that the use of a high-grade motor truck is a guarantee of dependable haulage at the lowest possible cost. With such equipment the builder has an independent transportation system, which, rightly used, is an investment yielding a high return, a perpetual insurance against the chance of impaired transportation that might mean financial loss to him.

Reasons for the increased use of motor trucks in the building industry are contained in statements made by representative concerns in the trade.

Replaces Many Horses

For instance, J. Jacob Shannon & Company, dealers in hardware and contractors' supplies of all kinds, Philadelphia, estimate on a conservative basis that a 3-3/4 ton White truck, used in their city and intercity hauling, readily does the work of two and one-half double-horse teams. The T. J. Hall Company, of Cincinnati, says that its 5-ton power dumping truck, on the average six-mile haul can do the work of four teams. George S. Shulz & Sons, Hoboken, N. J., estimate that in hauling one mile their truck will do the work of two teams, hauling two miles it will do the work of three teams, and in a three-mile haul it replaces four teams.

Potter, Teare & Company, Cleveland, are manufacturers of lumber. Fred P. Potter, head of the firm, credits the company's fleet of White trucks with saving the concern from being "swamped" during the busy seasons. Mr. Potter says the increased demand for products is being met by "perpetual motion," his characterization of a method of operating the trucks by which none of the machine's time is taken up with waiting for loads. The loads are prepared while the trucks are out on trips. Then, upon the arrival of each truck at the company's plant, its assembled load is quickly loaded by means of rollers and the truck goes away on its delivery trip.

When a building spurt struck Chester, Penna., Stacy C. Glauser & Company met the increased demand for builders' supplies with six White trucks. When rail transportation broke down the trucks carried materials from the Maryland coast, 125 miles away. "Without our truck we would have been lost," Mr. Glauser says. "Their all-around efficiency made it possible for us to get lumber to builders on time."

Safety Code for Conveyors and Conveying Machinery

A n important step toward the solution of an accident problem has just been accomplished thru the decision of the American Engineering Standards Committee to develop a safety code for conveyors and conveying machinery.

The introduction of mechanical conveyors in many industries has eliminated a large proportion of the accidents resulting from the manual handling of materials, but it has at the same time introduced new hazards, many of which can be prevented by a more general agreement among both users and manufacturers of conveying equipment as to safe practices in the manufacture, installation and operation of such equipment.

The American Society of Mechanical Engineers and National Bureau of Casualty and Surety Underwriters have been appointed joint sponsors for this code. All interested national organizations will be asked to cooperate in the formulation of the code. This code the American Engineering Standards Committee announces, will be intended as a guide for the safe operation and maintenance of conveyors and conveying machinery coming under the following main divisions: gravity, belt, chain, flight bucket, apron, screw and jiggling conveyors, car hauls, aerial cableways, overhead trolley and pneumatic tubes.

All shafting, pulleys, belts, link belts, chains, gears, sprockets, couplings, clutches, etc., used on and in connection with conveyors and conveying machinery will be covered in the Mechanical Power Transmission Code now in preparation.

First Pullman Car Took Year to Build

The FIRST PULLMAN palace car was built by George M. Pullman in 1864. It cost $18,000 and required a year in building. It was named the Pioneer. It had no carpets on the floor, was lighted by candles and heated by oil stoves. Its first use was to transport the body of Abraham Lincoln, our first martyred President.

Most of the money lost in real estate has been lost by the people who haven't bought it and not by those who have. A U. S. bond offers little in security and money-earning possibilities that cannot be duplicated if not exceeded in the average real estate investment.
Well Designed Implement Shed Proves Profitable

RIGHT LOCATION AND EASE OF ACCESS NECESSARY TO ASSURE COMPLETE USE OF SUCH AN IMPROVEMENT

By H. B. White
Assistant Professor of Farm Buildings, University of Minnesota

The farmer uses so many implements in carrying on his farm operations that there will be a considerable amount of time wasted if these implements are not in good working condition when required for use.

There is very rapid depreciation of the implement if allowed to stand exposed to the wind, weather and damage by animals. When implements are protected by proper shelter their efficiency is greatly increased and there is more interest and pride taken in working with well-kept implements that do the work easily and with little waste energy as compared with those that have been allowed to rust, warp and become less usable.

**Location of Shed**

From the standpoint of time saving it is desirable that the implements when brought from the field be left at or in the shed while the teams are on their way to the barn. As considerable time is spent in keeping implements in good shape, it is often satisfactory to have the implement shed at one side but on a route from the house to the barn. If vehicles and shop equipment are sheltered by the same building with the implements this is very important, as considerable time may be saved.

**Three Popular Types**

There are three methods of using implement sheds and these require different kinds of buildings to serve the purpose to best advantage. When the implement shed is used for storage during the winter only a square building is most economical. For convenience in sheltering each implement in a stall of its own a long, narrow building is desirable. On a large farm a driveway lengthwise thru the middle makes a desirable building. This type is usually built with a gable roof.

**Size Important**

A building that is too small usually results in the implements being left unprotected and thus defeats the real purpose of the building. A careful study should be made of the equipment to be sheltered and allowance made for any that may be added in the future.

The following table gives approximately the space necessary for the different implements and vehicles:

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The ease with which the implements may be placed under shelter and taken out for use determines whether it will be protected or left to stand outside. If doors are used
they must be made to slide on substantial hangers or swing on strong, well fastened hinges.

**Appearance of Building**

On a small farm a shed roof with the high side to the front is pleasing. A larger building may have the front slope shorter than the rear, thus running most of the water back of the building and also giving better lines. The appearance depends largely on the shape of the building, the roof projection and the painting.

The walls may be of concrete and may taper to 6 inches at the top if so desired. It should have a base of about 12 inches. One-half inch bolts imbedded in the wall with the nut end projecting about 3 inches should be used to anchor the frame to the wall if the building is to be exposed to strong winds. The frame can be made of 4-inch by 4-inch posts with 2-inch by 4-inch mailing girts and plates. The plan shown makes clear the general method of construction of a building 18 feet wide and 48 feet long.

**Permanence Pays**

Altho the first cost may seem excessive, the cost for sheltering if a permanent building is erected is not very great as it is distributed over a number of years. A building of lumber and concrete will last a long time if well planned and well constructed and will eventually save all its costs.

**Standardization Plans Meet with Approval**

SECRETARY HOOVER, in giving the lumber industry the vision of a standardization of nomenclature, grades, and guarantees, and of the benefits to accrue from a national agency for the administration of an inspection service embracing all woods, has rendered it a service of real value.

The accomplishment of a system of standard names, standard rules for the grading and inspection of lumber, and the adoption of effective means, such as grade-marking the lumber, car cards, showing quantity and quality of the lumber, and to prevent grade manipulation, would mark an epoch in the industry. If in addition, an independent, impartial agency, national in scope, undertook to supply everyone who desired it, an inspection service, at a reasonable cost, the industry would be approaching a plane of great improvement, and undoubtedly would command increased public confidence.

Specially noticeable would be the improvement in respect to the hardwood industry, where because of the great variety of woods and consequently the multiplicity of grades, clarification and standardization is greatly needed; furthermore, the internal dissensions regarding the control of inspection service has been so as to create doubt in the public mind.

Grade rules as they exist at the time Mr. Hoover makes his suggestions are not, at least in the hardwood industry, such as to further to the most perfect use of the lumber. The best informed thought, practically and technically is unanimous in the view that the rules are of more or less haphazard growth, and are not the result of scientific study.

It is the effort of the standardization movement to make the necessary analyses of the production possibilities of the woods, likewise the necessary analyses of the consumption requirements of the products, and thereupon to scientifically formulate and define the rules in such a way as to allocate the available supply to the consuming industries in proportion to their needs and demands so that the products of the manufacturers may be utilized with the least waste and therefore at the lowest cost to the ultimate consumer.

The lack of scientific adaptation of grades to consumption needs often results in the consumers being burdened with a large amount of by-product or so-called waste material, for which he really has no use, but for which he must find one, or else the material becomes a total loss in his hands. Capable authorities estimate that the amount of such waste can, by the perfecting of the standardizations proposed, be reduced many per cent.—estimates ranging variously from 60 to 70 per cent.

Conservation of timber resources and lower prices would be gained by proper standardization and universal inspection.

**How to Break Up "Warehouse Pack" in Sacks of Cement**

"WAREHOUSE pack," as almost every dealer knows, is the hardness that sometimes comes to socks of cement in storage. Conclusive tests prove that this is nothing more than the natural compactness of material subjected to pressure for an extended period. It is easily removed and has no deteriorating effect.

To remove "warehouse pack," place the sack on a table or on the floor and roll it back and forth on one of its flat sides until the "pack" is gone from that side. Next turn it over on its other side and repeat the operation. Then stand the sack on end, pressing it firmly against the floor or table, and turn it about until the lumps in that portion of the sack have disappeared. The cement will then be found to be in as good condition as ever.

Never beat, pound or drop the sack, as this results merely in driving the lumps toward the center, and never in remedying the condition.
Law of Interest to the Builder

COURT DECISIONS CONCERNING BONDS WHICH GUARANTEE KEEPING STRUCTURES IN REPAIR FOR A GIVEN TIME

By Leslie Childs

THE question of the contractors' liability upon a bond, which guarantees to maintain a given piece of work in repair, perhaps over a considerable length of time, is one that has been the cause of a number of lawsuits. Disputes of this kind have for the most part arisen under contracts for public works such as roads, bridges, or municipal buildings. For in contracts of this kind it is frequently stipulated, and made a part of the contract, that the contractor shall guarantee the work and keep it in repair during a certain period.

Consider Consequences

It follows that when a contract of this kind is entered into the contractor, for his own protection, should carefully estimate the risk he is undertaking not only in constructing the work, but in maintaining it for the period agreed upon thereafter. This is true, for while he, the contractor, may make a fair profit upon the actual construction work, if he does not protect himself, by insurance or otherwise, on his after liability for maintenance, he may, in the event of the destruction of the work, suffer a great loss.

This point should be carefully guarded by the contractor when contracts of this kind are entered into, generally speaking, he will be held to a strict liability upon his bond. And further, he should not depend upon implied exceptions being read into such a bond, in the event of the destruction of the structure, for the courts are not inclined to permit any exceptions that do not appear in the bond. The danger to the contractor in situations of this kind is illustrated in a number of cases, among them Meriwether vs. Lowndes County, 89, Ala. 362. The facts, briefly stated, out of which the action grew were as follows:

Agreed to Keep Bridge in Repair

The contractor, it seems, had constructed a bridge, and his bond stipulated that he should "keep the bridge in good repair, and that it should remain safe for five years."

Thereafter, before the expiration of the five years, the bridge was destroyed by an extraordinary flood, and the contractor was called upon to replace the bridge. He declined to do this and the matter culminated in the instant suit upon his bond. The case reached the higher court on appeal and in reviewing the record it was, in part, said:

"The main defense urged to the suit is that the bond imposed no duty on the obligor to rebuild the bridge, but only to keep it in repair so long as it stood, and that the structure was destroyed from no defect in the work, but by an extraordinary and unprecedented flood, which was an act of God, not covered by the covenants of the bond. This defense was clearly not good. There is a long line of cases, both in England and this country, which settle the proposition that an unconditional express covenant to repair or keep in repair is equivalent to a covenant to rebuild, and binds the covenantor to make good any injury which human power can remedy, even if caused by storm, flood, fire, inevitable accident, or the act of a stranger; and that, while an act of God will excuse the non-performance of a duty created by law, it will not excuse a duty created by contract. * * *"

"The courts have no authority to relieve contracting parties from the hardships often occasioned by such contracts, as it is within the power of obligors to provide in advance, by excepting liability for casualties of this nature from the terms of their contract, if they so elect. * * *"

Write Exceptions Into Contract

From the foregoing decision it is clear that when a contractor unconditionally agrees to keep a given structure in repair he may be assuming a considerable risk. It follows that if he does not care to assume all risk in the matter he should see to it that exceptions are placed in his bond. This defense was clearly not good. And in this connection it should be noted that, as a general rule, only such exceptions as appear in the bond will be enforced in his favor; he cannot hope, as a general rule, to have any implied exceptions read into the bond. This point may be illustrated by the holding in Mitchell vs. Weston, a Mississippi case reported in 45 So. 571, which was based upon the following facts:

The contractor, it appears, built a bridge and his contract provided as follows:

"Said J. W. Mitchell, by these presents, insures and agrees to keep said bridge in repair for a term of five years; * * * and, if said bridge shall be removed from any cause, fire excepted, within the time of five years, he shall rebuild the same without additional cost to the County of Hancock."

The bridge, it seems, was destroyed thereafter by a flood and the contractor refused to rebuild on the...
The Law and the Builder

The combined capacity of the two bath houses is 6,000. The buildings are equipped throughout with steel lockers, usable by two persons. Special pains were taken to insure privacy in the dresser and locker rooms, the windows being high and each locker being separate from the others.

The building is of durable construction, the framework being of steel and the floors of concrete, which with the brick exterior and tile roof should insure long life for the structures.

Each one of these two bath houses is 51 by 222 feet. They are equipped with electric lights and besides the shower baths have every other convenience and appliance recognized as good practice in such building.

But More Than One Per Cent Must Take Occasional Bath

In the larger cities of central Mexico there is an appreciable demand for American plumbing materials. Conditions in this market are fast returning to those of pre-revolutionary days, when there was an active trade in these supplies. During the past two years increased shipments of bathroom accessories have been coming from Germany, but not in sufficient quantities or of such quality as to seriously affect American trade.

Probably not more than 1 per cent of the residents of the interior cities of Mexico now have bathroom facilities, and as a rule there is to be found an adequate sewer system along only a few streets of each city. Consequently the majority of the residents must take care of their own drainage problem, which is usually done by the construction of back-yard cesspools—a feature which does not encourage the establishment of modern toilet systems.

Plumbing in connection with heating systems, of course, is not in demand in this climate.

As Mexico recovers from the present business depression and begins to enjoy a period of more tranquil political conditions the trade in modern plumbing is bound to improve. This trade, which is now enjoyed by American exporters, should easily be retained against European competitors, whose products are not of so good a quality.
Facts About Fuel Oil—“A Burning Question”

DOUBTS DISPelled By SUCCESSful USE OF CLEAN MODERN METHOD OF HEATING ALL BUILDINGS

By Wm. T. Dean

IVE and growing interest in the practical possibilities of oil burning heating equipment is plainly evident. Already, this cleaner and easier way to heat homes and all buildings is in wide and successful use. And the interest of prospective builders is so universal that the development must be reckoned with as a husky newcomer in the heating field.

But like every other new way to do old tasks, there is much popular misconception about the type of heating device, the kind of fuel oil needed and the economics and results of such systems.

Crude Oil Not Suitable

One of the most frequent questions asked is: “Can crude oil be used?” Inquirers do not take into consideration that crude oil contains gasoline, kerosene, distillate and gas oil.

Crude oil never comes to market as such, but is purchased by the refiner, who removes the light oils by evaporation, selling the residue “fuel oil” for what it will bring, as a by-product.

A fuel oil burner will achieve permanent commercial success if it burns the heavy by-products commonly sold as fuel oil, for this fuel compares favorably with the cost of heating with coal.

How About Freezing?

Another common question asked relates to the freezing of fuel oil in cold weather. The salesman for an oil burner confined to light oils tells prospective purchasers that fuel oil solidifies in winter, clogs pipes and burners and causes frequent interruption to heat supply. The facts are that standard fuel oil is fluid at zero Fahrenheit, and out of hundreds of household installations with outdoor storage tanks which have burned standard fuel oil for several winters, not a single interruption due to solidifying of oil or clogging of pipes has occurred.

The reason is simple. The insurance and city regulations require that outdoor storage tanks be buried with their tops at least 2 1/2 feet below ground, and the frost line, or 32 degrees Fahrenheit seldom goes lower than 6 to 8 inches. In addition oil is one of the best heat insulators and if the upper surface of a tank of oil thickened, the lower portion where the suction line ends would still be liquid, and as the level of oil receded it would be towards a higher temperature zone.

In severely cold weather fuel oil deliveries in 1,000 and 1,500-gallon tank trucks are regularly made in a radius of 25 miles without the slightest unloading difficulties by sending the oil out warm from the dealer’s tanks, which are readily heated by steam coils.

Economy

Price is always a cardinal question about heating systems. An authority on this question says:

How does the price of fuel oil vary throughout the season? Far less than coal. The price is based on crude oil prices as well as supply and demand, and for the past year has shown a maximum variation of 1c per gallon delivered, whereas kerosene and distillate have varied 5c per gallon.

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How about the supply of fuel oil? The latest reports show over 962,000,000 gallons in storage awaiting market and the amount in storage is increasing each month.

In a large hospital the superintendent attributes a good part of their success with certain diseases most prevalent in winter to the even temperature automatically maintained regardless of outside weather conditions since the installing of oil burners. Freedom from coal dirt, ashes and the labor incident to operating a plant that must be fed is an outstanding gain of a fuel oil heating plant. This opinion of a user is typical.

A suburban home owner writes: “Since I have installed your oil burner I have had no dirt, coal dust or ashes. It has given, especially during the very cold spell, all the heat necessary. The cost of oil I find has been about 20 per cent less than coal.” A city home owner says: “It has at all times furnished us with adequate heat without objectionable noise and at a fuel cost that has not exceeded hard coal. The elimination of
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[September, 1922]

The toughest American wood is that of the Osage orange, which is not an orange at all, but belongs to the nettle family. This has been proved by tests made by the United States forest service, but the Indians knew it before the coming of the white man, and it was known to them as the bow tree, because they used it for making their finest bows. Some idea of its strength may be had from the report made not long ago, which shows that a block .30 inches long and 2 inches in cross-section when bent breaks under a stress of 15,600 pounds, its nearest rival being a variety of hickory called monkey-nut, which, when bent by the impact of a 100-pound hammer, stands a stress of 10,520 pounds.

Fair Square Lease For Construction Equipment

A new lease that constructors are willing to sign as either lessee or lessor has just been issued by the Associated General Contractors of America. Its object is to establish on a basis of common equity those obligations and responsibilities properly involved in renting construction machines, and to provide a simplified rental agreement which will insure absolutely fairness to both parties.

The form adopted is the result of investigations and criticism of members of the A. G. C. extending over a period of two years.

Both construction and equipment leasing companies have frequently been subjected to expense and annoyance on account of misunderstandings which arise when equipment is rented by verbal or letter agreement or by an unsuitable form of lease, and it is to overcome such difficulties as these, as well as to eliminate drastic and unreasonable provisions, that the new standard form has been adopted. Misunderstandings frequently arise from the fact that equipment is sometimes rented on short notice when the need arises, and when the main consideration is to get the machine into operation. In such instances, a telephone call, a letter or almost any kind of a communication may serve to close a transaction, and when the unexpected happens both parties find that the responsibilities are not properly defined or that one or the other is saddled with an unfair obligation.

Situations of this nature can usually be avoided where the construction company has a suitable form of lease, easily filled out and familiar to its officials and executives. When all companies are using the same form the chance of misunderstanding is even more remote, especially when arrangements for leasing must be hurriedly made by letter or wire. This means of communicating an agreement, however, can be safely used by means of the A. G. C. Equipment Rental Agreement. All that is required is an understanding that certain equipment is shipped under A. G. C. terms of lease, and each party will then know definitely his obligations.

The standard form is arranged so that all blank spaces for filling in of dates, rental rates and other stipulations are segregated on the front of a single sheet, and those provisions of general application and requiring no filling in for ordinary conditions are segregated on the back.

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BRICK and stone are the prevailing materials used in home construction in England today. The tremendous number of new homes required after the armistice taxed to capacity the production of these materials and many brick substitutes were proposed and some tried in order to help out the temporary scarcity. A tour of England reveals the fact, however, that English traditional construction has been adhered to for the vast majority of the thousands of houses which have been erected by the local authorities and by private owners under the stimulus of a generous bounty from the government.

This same cause also operated to produce a real boom in home building. In fact, the impression gained by a hasty trip thru England is that there has not in recent times in that country been anything to compare with the dwelling house boom which England has just passed thru. In village after village, which in normal times could boast only an occasional new house added, were observed one or more rows of attractive new homes, the brickwork contrasting pleasantly with the sturdy, picturesque old work, some of which has been handed down from far off centuries.

**Build to Last**

Good design and permanence are the keynote of British dwelling house construction. A house is not built to last just a few years but is expected to give service for centuries, and the efforts of those interested in promoting non-permanent types of construction have met short shrift in England. "They can't make us live in temporary houses," said a countryman when visiting a building show in London where certain types of sub-standard construction were much in evidence. The Englishman has many object lessons all around him to impress upon him the great benefit of permanence of construction and cannot easily be led away from the accepted standards.

In one village visited—Burton Bradstock, Dorset, a little fishing village on the south coast off the regular beaten track of tourists, but one of the most beautiful and picturesque villages in England, there had been no new houses built for about a hundred years until the post-Armistice boom and these houses were not required because of the decay of any of the ancient dwellings, which are all occupied and probably will be for centuries more.

British practice has about solved the problem of using all good building materials to the best advantage to obtain the most permanent results. Little wood is used on exteriors and (apart from such features as barge boards, rafter ends, etc.), where so used is generally in the form of timbers of fairly large section, filled in between the timbers with brick or stone. Sometimes the brick or stone forms the finish and stud partitions are seldom used also, most partitions being 4-inch brick partitions which are considered good practice for two or three-story buildings of usual occupancy, where the stories do not exceed about fifteen feet in height. Such partitions form both bearing and non-bearing walls.

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One result of these principles of permanent construction applied universally is that the fire losses throughout England are comparatively light. For instance, in the small manufacturing town and watering place of Bridgport, Dorset, with six thousand inhabitants, there has been no fire since 1919, at which time a tarring shed burned down; unless two or three straw stack fires and a couple of automobiles burned in a garage are counted.

This comparative immunity from fire is reflected in the fire insurance...
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All the advantages of solid masonry, at a saving of 75% in cost. This reduction is realized by the saving of 5/3 in brick, 1/3 the mortar, 5/3 the labor, and the saving in furring and lathing.

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The Ideal Brick Hollow Wall is made of standard brick obtainable everywhere

Ideal Brick Hollow Wall

"Brick Homes at the Cost of Frame"

rates, a house which the underwriters classify as “normal” construction, that is, with brick or stone walls and a tile or slate roof, taking the rate which applies throughout England of about 7½ cents per $100.

The typical English small house is built without a basement and inasmuch as the winters are mild, frosty ground is not a matter to be contended with. Footings are therefore located at just sufficient depth to go below the top soil where the ground is firm, and also at such a depth that the finished grade will cover up the footing projections.

Rooms Individually Heated

The absence of a basement and consequently of a central heating system, exercises a profound influence upon the plan. Inasmuch as each room must be heated separately with a separate fireplace, there is no opportunity for the opening up of the downstairs rooms by the elimination of hallways and the use of cased openings, as in the typical American house. Every room in an English house is built so that it can be closed off to prevent the escape of heat.

Altho the ordinary English fireplace is not as efficient as it might be, it is more so than its ordinary counterpart on this side of the water. Within the last ten or a dozen years, however, grates have been marketed which have a very high order of efficiency, consuming not only all the smoke but practically all the ash and radiating a surprisingly large amount of heat. The typical British fireplace burns coal, and the lower cost fireplace is constructed by forming a brick opening into which is placed a complete cast iron grate with the cheeks, back, damper, etc., fastened together in one piece. In the lowest cost fireplace of all, the mantel is also of cast iron and is also in one piece with the grate, the whole affair being simply set into the rough brick opening. More ornamental fireplaces and those which burn wood are constructed of brick, stone and tile or a combination of each of these and with larger openings.

+ Restoration Demands Stir Belgium Building

THE number of private houses in Belgium totally destroyed or badly damaged during the war was about 78,000, and the number of public buildings about 1,100, according to the Ministry of Industry. Of the private houses, about 60,000 have been restored, either thru the intervention of the office of the devastated regions or thru private initiative, etc. Up to the present time 812 public buildings have been restored, either permanently or temporarily. In addition to this work, the office of devastated regions has done considerable clearing of ruins, rebuilding roads, streets, etc., and has put into condition nearly 22,500 acres of land. Public works to be carried out during 1922 include 71 town halls, 109 churches, 142 schools, and 96 other public buildings, and will involve an expenditure of 125,512,400 francs.

Late advices from Belgium indicate a strong demand for southern yellow pine, with stocks nearly exhausted. The market for American hardwoods altho less promising is considered satisfactory. The Lumber Division, Department of Commerce, will be glad to place concerns listed on the Exporters’ Index in touch with Belgian agents who have expressed a desire to handle American lumber.
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San Francisco
Favorable Increase in Church and Bank Buildings

TWO types of building come close to being a dependable barometer by which business conditions may be judged. They are new banks and churches. It's practically a safe rule that when banks are investing in new homes and church construction is large that business has settled down to a steady-going, normal condition.

Banks Build When Their Directors Consider Conditions Favorable. California's Biggest Bank Regards Present Suitable Time for Building.

And "there's a reason." Banks have first hand knowledge of general economic conditions, inside information on prices and are committed to safe investments. They put on the brakes when other businesses are booming. But when conditions are safe and sound they expand. Churches, too, are usually wary and take no forward steps without good advice, in which the banker generally has a prominent voice.

Actions Speak Louder Than Words

Any opinion which a banker may give on business conditions cannot speak as plainly as the attitude of the bank in spending its own money. Do you suppose that banks, if their information convinced them that prices are due for a tumble, would go ahead with a building costing hundreds of thousands and on which declining prices might mean savings of several thousands?

The present activity in new bank homes is much greater than in any year since 1914. That means that the banks have confidence in current prices and regard the general situation as healthy and the time ripe for building expansion.

Los Angeles is typical of the excellent showing being made in most cities in the realm of bank and church building. The largest bank enterprise now under way in the coast city is that of the Bank of Italy. This is to be a modern twelve-story bank and office building of safe construction. The Los Angeles branch of the Bank of Italy is California's largest bank with a surplus and undivided profits of $15,000,000. It is regarded as a leader, whose movements may be wisely followed. There has existed a need for a new building for this bank for some time. But during the days of high prices and unstable conditions no building enterprise was deemed the safe course. Now that the bank is making a sizable investment in a new plant it can be concluded that it is the judgment of its directors that it's a safe and desirable time in which to invest in building—that prices have reached a dependable level and that the adjustment process is about completed.

Notably Large

The First Methodist Episcopal Church now building in the western city is the largest church structure in the city. It, too, is being built of safe construction, as is indicated by the steel frame.

These two examples of costly bank and church building may be found in counterpart in nearly every city. Chicago is building the largest church structure in the world. It will be occupied by the First Methodist Episcopal Church and by the publishing and other executive offices of the society. The plans call for a twenty-story structure which will be crowned by a church spire, the tallest church steeple under the sun. The ground has been broken, the caissons sunk and the steel framework started. This church building calls for an investment of $3,000,000.

Like many other big church and bank expansions, it was held...
Roofings That Will Help Fall Business

A LOT of buildings in your town will need new roofs before winter sets in. You can come pretty near telling by their looks which ones they are.

Why not go after this business—now! Why not write a letter to the owners of these buildings, and use the reputation of Barrett Everlastic Roofing to help land the contract!

From coast to coast Barrett Everlastic Roofings are known for rugged staunchness—rock bottom economy—and honest value. People have confidence in them because they're made by the Barrett Company—for more than sixty years America's leading manufacturer of roofing materials.

That's why you'll find it easier to get business when you specify Everlastic Roofing in your bids. And whatever your customers' requirements they will be satisfied by one of the six styles of Everlastic Roofing described at the right.

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Everlastic Octagonal-Strip Shingles. The latest development in the strip shingle. Beautiful red or green mineral surface. Made in an unique form that offers a variety of designs in laying.

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Significant Building Trend

[September, 1922]

up until the builders and their advisors were convinced that normal times were at hand.

Several small bank structures have been erected in Chicago during the past months.

In New York there is a notable revival of bank and church building.

Loans Now For New Buildings

Further evidence of the change of heart of the banks towards building is seen in their greater willingness to loan money for new homes and business buildings. During the days of inflated costs they usually refused to loan money or made impossible conditions when financing for new structures was asked.

Now they are encouraging building and advancing funds for it.

Architectural Achievement in Modern Theater

ITALIAN in design, the three-story fire-safe building known as the Woodlawn Commercial Building and Auditorium is one of the largest and most striking building projects of the current season in Chicago and because of its size and elaborate treatment a worthy addition to the nation's larger and better buildings.

An expenditure in excess of $700,000 is to be made for the building alone. The land value and furnishings will bring the investment to a total of $1,200,000.

The building is located at Cottage Grove Avenue and Sixty-second Street in one of the most densely populated and active sections of Chicago and within a block of the leading retail district of Chicago's noted South Side.

The building is to be used for an auditorium or continuously as a theater and will be occupied by ten shops located along the first floor. These shops will have uniform fronts and the same type of lighting throughout. They will represent the last work in quality and beauty and then ask the price afterwards. Architects and builders find it easy to give their arts the highest expression when there is no tightening of the purse strings. So we see some of our most spacious and commendable examples of good building in the many theaters building in cities large and small.

Big and Beautiful

Accommodations for 5,000 people will be found in the auditorium which takes rank with the largest public halls in the world. The auditorium is elliptical in shape and its greatest dimensions are 100 feet by 160 feet. A feature of the theater or auditorium will be the wide promenades which will be made beautiful by costly draperies and paintings.

The formation of the auditorium is that of a great order of engaged Corinthian columns and a great cove above divided by broad vertical ribs into panels. Each panel will contain a rich mural painting copied after the favored early French period.

Translucent lighting effects calculated to eclipse all previous attainments in this art will afford color blendings of rare beauty.

Several supplemental rooms will open off the lobby and be an operating part of the large auditorium. These rooms will house the executive offices, provide spacious retiring and smoking rooms, refectory parlors and provision is made for a mezzanine promenade and foyers of generous width.

The lobby will alone represent a generous building appropriation. There will be no stinting of marble, ornamentation, draperies and rich lighting effects to make the lobby a suitable introduction to the handsome auditorium. The lobby is 40 feet by 100 feet and the walls will be completely of marble as well as the columns and balusters of the stairs leading to the mezzanine floor and balcony.

Thanks to Italy

In the main Italian architecture has been drawn upon for the exterior design. Any deviations from this recognized type are too slight to challenge the attention. The exterior is of pressed brick and terra cotta.

It might require long search to find better examples of fine architecture and quality construction than is afforded by the better type of theater building, which has for several years and is again enjoying the well-known experience called "a boom." This, of course, is a phase of the popularity of the movies. Activity in the field of legitimate theater expansion is considerably less marked than among the "shrine of the silent art." The prosperity of this business has made it common to demand quality and beauty and then ask the price afterwards. Architect and builder find it easy to give their arts the highest expression when there is no tightening of the purse strings. So we see some of our most spacious and commendable examples of good building in the many theaters building in cities large and small.

Banks Approve Projects

There is a noticeable disposition upon the part of banks and investment companies to advance funds for buildings of this kind. Apparently the financiers are convinced that a large, well built, well located theater structure is a sound investment for funds.

Because of the amount of material used, the skill demanded and the possibility for artistic achievements construction of theaters looms large on the building horizon.

Such construction usually runs into big money.

The Woodlawn Commercial Association Building, Chicago. Cost $700,000 Exclusive of Land and Furnishings. The Auditorium Seats 5,000 People. There Are Ten Ground Floor Shops.
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Brass thresholds—brass casement troughs—all have been carefully and exhaustively studied until the correct style was found.

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Make Old House New

To the Editor: Centerville, Iowa.

I am sending photos of a remodeling project that I have just finished. One was taken just before we started and the other upon finishing.

The "Old House" Before It Was Made New by Remodeling.

The interior of the house was changed throughout making it a most modern and up-to-date residence of the Southern Colonial type.

As the Home Looks After the Re-Building Process.

This is a good example of how people can make their old house into a new one. V. A. BANTA, General Contractor and Architect.

Texas Mountain Cedar Posts Claimed Durable and Economical

To the Editor: New Braunfels, Texas.

We notice your article relative to "Information on Decaying Posts" for foundation purposes (June issue, page 111). We presume you are referring to the use of pine posts, which wood will not withstand decay unless a preservative is used. Here in Texas, and a few firms in the North, we use Texas Mountain cedar house blocks for foundation purposes, usually set in about 6 inches of concrete in order to get a firmer foundation, but not set in concrete to protect the wood. Texas Mountain cedar contains a natural cedar oil which thoroughly impregnates the wood and protects same against decay and insects. We have affidavits proving the superior lasting quality of Texas Mountain cedar, house blocks and fence posts having been in ground for fifty years, which were taken up and were still in good serviceable condition.

We are enclosing a schedule showing comparative costs of concrete foundation and Texas Mountain cedar house block foundation.

Comparative cost of foundation for a five-room bungalow, using Texas Mountain cedar house blocks or concrete piers:

A five-room bungalow will require an average of 50 piers, 5 feet in length.

Cost of concrete, using 1-2-4 mixture for fifty 5-foot piers, 8 inches in diameter, will require approximately 9 cubic yards of concrete, basing cost of labor and materials at $12 per cubic yard, these piers will cost $108, as follows:

Material for 9 cubic yards of concrete:
- 8 yards of rock, $2.50 per yd., delivered to job........$20.00
- 4 yards of sand, $3.00 per yd., delivered to job........ 12.00
- 40 sacks cement, $1.00 per sack, delivered to job......... 40.00

Labor for building forms, mixing concrete, digging holes, etc., pouring concrete, tearing down forms, etc., 36.00

$108.00

(This does not include cost of lumber for forms.)

In some localities concrete will cost more than $12.00 per cubic yard on account of higher cost of materials.

Cost of Texas Mountain cedar house blocks, for same bungalow, will require 250 lineal feet of 8-inch blocking.

Cost of 5-ft. 8-in. blocking delivered on a 20c freight rate is 12c per lin. ft., adding 33½c profit or for cost of handling, gives you a cost of 16c to consumer.

250 lin. ft. 5-ft. by 8-in. Texas Mountain cedar house blocks at 16c..............................$40.00

Labor for digging 50 holes, sawing ends off blocks and setting blocks, estimated at..................18.00

$58.00

Cost of concrete foundation.....................$108.00
Cost of Texas Mountain cedar foundation.... $8.00
Or a saving of.....................................$ 0.00

Brick piers will cost approximately same as concrete and are not as substantial.

This shows a saving of approximately $50.00 on a five-room bungalow.

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Build a fireproof Shingle house that lasts Forever

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WHEN WRITING ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THE AMERICAN BUILDER
What Caused Peculiar Rotting of Some of the Wood Girders?

To the Editor: Gloversville, N. Y.

I enclose a sketch of part of a church basement supper room with kitchen adjoining.

As an old subscriber to the AMERICAN BUILDER I wish to call on your correspondence division for an answer to my query.

In the sketch I have tried to make plain the construction of the stone wall with hollow tile partition walls and wood girders and floor timbers.

A steel ceiling covers the rooms and is carried over the girders, B, C, D, E, being nailed directly to the timbers without furring strips.

The church is of brick, built in 1912. This spring a settlement was noticed in the floor above and an investigation showed the timbers B, C, D, E, which span the basement to be entirely gone. Nothing but a shell left. While timber “A” which rests on tile wall “V” was found to be perfectly sound. The question is why the steel ceiling caused B, C, D, E. and not “A” to rot? And, did the steel cause the trouble?

Thanks for your kindness, I am awaiting a reply with interest.

Erwin J. Dye.

What Would You Bid for Digging Well as Located in This Sketch?

We will have to build concrete intake box, 6-foot sides, three sided, with screen on down river side. We will have to curb ditch all the way, and will have to pay 45 cents per hour for labor.

Swartz & Robinson, Contractors.

What's Your Estimate?

To the Editor: Greenville, Mich.

We have a job to figure on that is out of our line somewhat. Can you help us with an estimate? We have a well to dig to supply water for a fire pump in a factory, the well to be about 8 by 8 feet square and 8 feet deep and cemented. Will have to go about 20 feet deep in the ground and curb all the way down. The ground is sand and close to river, so we will have to pump the water out as soon as we reach water level in river. Then we have to put 15-inch tile from well to intake box in river. About 130 feet to dig about 16 feet deep and about 60 feet thru rushes and grass in edge of river or overflow ground from milldam.

What Would You Bid for Digging Well as Located in This Sketch?

We feel that its durability and price are now especially good reasons for the use of brass, where practical, in the building field.

Copper, Brass and Research Assn.

Finds New Way to Fit Baseboards

To the Editor: Brewster, Kan.

I have hit on a most satisfactory way to fit round edge baseboards and find it to be O. K., so will give it to the readers of the AMERICAN BUILDER. Cope the board that fits against first board clear out to a point and leave it about ¾ to ⅜ inch thick, then mark first board on top which will be a 45-degree angle and cut it down the thickness of the coping on other board. This makes a mitered effect with no edge of the coping showing.

Ralph M. Osborn.

Study the Fly First Then Put Up Screens

To the Editor: Kewanee, Ill.

In answer to David F. Fee, of San Antonio, Texas, on how to hang screen doors and all screens. What do we put screens up for? To keep out the fly and other small insects. Then make it hard for the fly to get in and easy to get him out. Now, my plan is to put the wire or smooth side inside and make a recess on the outside. The fly will light on the wire and will never back out and you will not disturb him, while, when he gets into the house, you can brush him out without killing him. My advice would be to study the fly and find out how to deal with him.

Alfred Curtis Cadby.
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Finds 65 Feet Distance to Well

To the Editor: St. Louis, Mo.

I noticed the inquiry of L. D. Dawley, Long Beach, Calif., on the following problem:

A triangular field, one side 120 rods long, one side 110 rods long and another side 100 rods long, was owned by three men. Each built a house corner and decided to dig a well in the middle of lot that would be equal distance from each house, and wanted to find the distance from house to center of well. I find out that the distance from each house to center of well is 65 rods.

E. A. Frois,
Sanitary Engineer.

Editor’s Note: Mr. Dawley’s problem on locating a well equidistant from three farm houses has stirred up more than usual interest. Numerous excellent solutions have been received from several correspondents. E. H. Green, Sperling, Manitoba, does not think a correct answer is obtainable by arithmetic or algebra but uses geometrical analysis, trigonometry and logarithms to arrive at results. A. T. Rogers, Washington, D. C., concludes that 64.528 rods is the correct solution. While there are minor differences in the answers, the correspondents are all to be complimented on the thoroughness and interest with which they have attacked the problem.

Answer to the Crawford Problem

To the Editor: Lenora, Kan.

I desire to answer Mr. Crawford’s problem on page 124 of the August number of the American Builder. He wants to know where to make cuts in a roof where there is a change in the pitch of the slope.

Mr. Becker’s Answer to Mr. Crawford’s Problem Concerning Roof Cuts Is to Make Layout of Timbers and Get Angles.

As this drawing shows I simply make a layout of the timbers to be cut and the intersection of the two gives the angle.

J. C. Becker,
Building Material Dealer.

This Shop is a Sample of the Owner’s Work

To the Editor: Huntington, W. Va.

A stucco contractor in West Virginia uses this combination dwelling and storeroom to give his business some practical advertising, for on the upper porch and throughout the showrooms on the first floor specimens of concrete flower vases, boxes and garden furniture are seen and over the exterior of the building are decorative reliefs in keeping with the design of the structure. The entire building is in reality a sample of just what the contractor can do and is a worthy sample of the beauty and lasting qualities of his work.

This building is owned by A. Holt, Fifteenth Street and Eighth Avenue, Huntington, W. Va.

A. P. Child.

Here Are Two Brain Teasers

To the Editor: Washington, D. C.

I enclose two problems which will probably be of interest to your readers.

(1) A cow is tied to the corner of a square barn, measuring 20 feet on each side, a 60-foot rope being used. Find the area of ground the cow can graze.

(2) A cow is tied to the outside of a circular water tank, 20 feet in diameter by a rope exactly equal to the circumference of the same. Find the area of ground over which the cow can graze.

A. T. Rogers.

Will Concrete Over Shingles Be Water-Tight and Durable?

To the Editor: Amityville, L. I.

I read in the Correspondence Department a letter from L. T. Kinney about a roundhouse. I would like to ask Mr. Kinney how he puts his concrete roof on over old wood shingles. Also how he puts it on other roofs with nothing but the rafters to support it.

How much cheaper is it than other roof constructions; also, can you guarantee the roof to be water-tight and how many years will it stay so?

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Now you can meet with Flex-a-Tile the demand that has long existed for a shingle that combines the superior waterproofing qualities of asphalt with a color that not only is distinctive, but cannot be obtained from any other manufacturer. Richardson's own quarries at Flex-a-Tile, Georgia, satisfy this need with a fine grade of natural brown slate.

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Ask the nearest dealer or roofer to show you samples.

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Correspondence Department

Practical Inexpensive Scaffolding
To the Editor: Minnedosa, Man., Canada.

Have just received July copy and notice a question from John U. Weihman, Ottawa, Ill., about a safe window scaffold. Am showing sketch of one I used on a five-story hotel and found safe and easy to fix and take down. It consists of two wooden brackets made of good straight grained 2 by 4s, with a block at foot to take care of the overhang of the sill, and a block at outside end to keep planks from sliding off. A bar of 2 by 4 long enough to reach across window opening inside and two 6-inch clamps. To operate just put out brackets and place bar across inside ends and clamp tight. They will not slip.

CHAS. THOMPSON, Carpenter and Builder.

Built Home in Slack Times—Used Built-in Idea Extensively
To the Editor: Batavia, Iowa.

I built my home in 1920. It is true I built in a high market, but it was while carpenter service was not in much demand and you know how hard it is for carpenters to get anything done for themselves in ordinary times.

The main building is 28 by 34 with 10 by 34 porch. The basement is under the entire building, porch included. We also have our own sewerage and water systems.

The floors of the two front rooms are bordered. There are colonnades, bookcases and writing desk in the living room and china closets in the dining room colonade.

Both baths have built-in cabinets, one with panel doors and the other with mirror doors.

The kitchen cabinet is built in around the under a window. The dumbwaiter and ironing board make complete furnishings for this room.

The back porch roof extends over the grade door as a weather protection. The porch is screened in sections, these that you sent me, and want to thank you very much for them, especially the architectural details.

I have been watching the answers to Mr. Smith's carpet puzzle that came out in the March issue of the American Builder and have become quite interested in them. I do not claim to know anything about trigonometry and but little about algebra, but I have a certificate from the Scranton School of Pennsylvania giving me 100 per cent in arithmetic when I took a course in architecture that took me thru common arithmetic and thru geometry and mensuration and the formulas. I could not work the carpet deal to suit me. As the old saying goes, I could get so near but yet so far.

I was not long in making up my mind that you could not make all of the corners of the carpet touch the walls of the room and have all the corner angles of the carpet true right angles. The answers of Mr. Vermass, Mr. Bohonnon, Mrs. Hanson and Mr. Hume are all pretty much the same. There is a slight difference in some of them, but not very much, and as near as I can figure it out I think they are about right.

There is a large room where I live, 30 by 40, and I have a long fish line and I staked off a room 12 by 18 in the big room with the line and small nails, and squared up all the angles with 6, 8 and 10 rule (and they say that will square the devil), and the longest piece of carpet I could get into the room was 18 feet, 11½ inches, which is about the same as the answers that the other men gave that I have mentioned, but I could not make all four corners of the carpet touch the walls of the room. Two corners was the best that I could do, and I don't think anybody else can make all four corners touch and have them all true right angles.

Thanking you again for the architectural details, I remain
H. P. HOWE.

He's Puzzled Over Rafter Lengths
To the Editor: Mildred, Pa.

I am building a home here 40 by 26 feet. Kindly tell me the exact length of hip rafter, also common rafter. I would also like to know the difference in length of jack rafters, allowing for a 1½-inch ridge pole. Will you also tell from what point of the timber you determine the length? Is it from the extreme end or from the line of the plate? The ceiling beams project 10 inches over plate and are spaced 18 inches centers. We want to put 2 by 6 rafters on every other one or 3-foot center. The stud is 4 inches above the ceiling joist. Now, I would like to have rafter notch in on plate and rest on joist.

ROSS VEACH.

"So Near Yet So Far" on Solving Carpet Problem
To the Editor: Buffalo, Wyo.

I received the architectural details and the buyers' guide that you sent me, and want to thank you very much for them, especially the architectural details.

I have been watching the answers to Mr. Smith's carpet

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PROPER METHODS OF VARNISHING AND RE-VARNISHING VARIOUS KINDS OF FLOORS INTERESTINGLY TOLD WITH COMPLETE DETAILS

By G. B. Heckel

OOD GRAIN is varied and unique. To keep it so means protection. Penetration, not protection, is the law of oil or wax. With this penetration goes dirt. The wood is clogged—the clear natural beauty of the wood grain is gone.

The dictates of health and good taste are for the varnished floor. The distinctive home has distinctive floors. The floor properly varnished requires little care or attention and the cost is not more than the depreciation in the value of a carpet. The saved labor is saved capital, while the added health cannot be measured in mere dollars.

Also this—the mirror-like elegance of the varnished floor cannot be secured by other processes.

Any ordinary floor is adapted to a varnish finish. It need not be hardwood or parquetry. If it is, so much the better. The varnish way converts a soft wood floor into a very passable substitute for hardwood. The treatment is simple and inexpensive.

Preparation of Surface

Given a common floor, under ordinary conditions, scrub thoroughly with warm water to which household ammonia has been added, about one part ammonia to every eight parts water. Grease spots and stains may require special scrubbing with a stronger solution of ammonia water. Where this fails, washing with alcohol or benzine should be tried. Paint spots may be removed by washing with turpentine and sandpapering. Soap or powders should never be used. They are hard to remove completely and their presence is harmful to the varnish which follows. Waxed or oiled floors do not require such cleaning, but the wax (if ordinary soft wax) or oil must be thoroughly removed by washing with alcohol or benzine. Failure to remove all of this means failure of the job. A durable varnish finish is not possible where wax and oil remain.

For floors that are badly discolored, the next step is to bleach them. This is done by applying a solution of oxalic acid crystals and hot water—as many crystals as the water will dissolve. This solution is applied with a scrubbing brush and is left on the surface for about twenty-four hours, then washed off thoroughly with clear, hot water. In bad cases, repeated applications of the bleach are necessary and the final coat only should be washed off with hot water. The next process is to drive all nail-heads below the surface of the wood and to fill all nail-head holes, cracks and crevices with a good crack or crevice filler. If the wood is to be stained, the crack filler may be colored the desired shade by working into it some of the stain. After the crack filler is dry, the wood should be sandpapered or otherwise made perfectly smooth and clean to receive the finish.

The floor is now ready to receive the finish. If it is of an open grained wood, such as oak, ash, chestnut, etc., it will be necessary to fill it with a paste wood filler which will seal up the pores of the wood and present a perfect smooth surface for the application of the varnish. Paste wood fillers come in the natural and colored effects. If other than the natural finish is desired on open grained woods, it can best be obtained by applying a coat of wood paste filler of the desired color, then following with varnish.

Paste fillers are applied with a brush and they present a flat appearance to the eye, are wiped off with excelsior or waste, rubbing across the grain and working as much of the filler into the wood as possible. Paste wood fillers should usually be allowed about twenty-four hours to dry, after which they should be well sandpapered with fine sandpaper and dusted off. A five-pound can of paste wood filler usually costs considerably less than one dollar and is sufficient to cover about 225 square feet.

Staining

On close grained woods (pine, poplar, cherry, maple, etc.), the natural finish is obtained by applying two or three coats of floor varnish direct to the bare wood. Stained effects are secured by using an oil stain. Allow twenty-four hours for the stain to dry.

Varnishing

The work is now ready for varnishing. At least two coats are required for a satisfactory job—three coats are better. Varnish should be applied smoothly and evenly, in thin coats and a flat varnish brush. From forty-eight to seventy-two hours should be allowed for each coat of varnish to dry, sandpapering lightly between coats. Never apply a succeeding coat of varnish until the preceding coat is perfectly firm and dry to touch.

High grade floor varnish dries with a tough, high gloss finish. However, where a dull finish is desired, this can be procured by rubbing with powdered pumice-stone and oil.

A good floor varnish will cover between four and five hundred square feet of surface per gallon.

Proper Conditions

A good temperature for varnishing is 70 degrees. The room should be well ventilated and kept at an even temperature. Draughts, dampness, ill ventilation are some of the causes of a job's going wrong. See that the conditions are right.

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will not suffice. An old floor of this class must be painted before varnishing.

A good floor paint or ground color should be selected for the purpose, and two coats of such paint should be applied before varnishing. After cleaning the floor as before directed, the first or priming coat is to be applied according to directions on the can. After this coat is thoroly dry, cracks, holes and rough spots are to be filled with putty, colored with the paint itself, as directed for staining. The second coat is applied after the priming coat is dry, which should be in about forty-eight hours. In all painting a fairly large round bristle brush should be used and the paint should be well brushed out, first with the grain, then across the grain, and finally smoothed out by brushing with the grain. This advice applies especially to the priming coat, which must be well worked into the surface.

After the second coat is dry and hard, one or two coats of floor varnish should be applied as directed for a stained floor.

In some cases it is not thought necessary to paint and varnish the entire floor, only the border being so treated, while the part covered with the carpet is left untreated. This method gives as good an effect to the eye, but leaves much to be desired from a sanitary point of view.

It should always be remembered that a varnished floor can be easily cleaned by wiping, while a bare wood floor can be rendered "surgically clean" only by the use of disinfectants. However, a finished border that can be wiped is preferable to a carpeted border that cannot be swept thoroly clean.

Finishing New Floors
The treatment of a new floor follows along the same general line as already given. It involves sandpapering perfectly smooth, filling crevices with a crevice filler, coloring to match the wood, filling the pores of the wood with a paste wood filler, if the wood be open grained, or stained to secure the desired effects if the wood be close grained, and finally the application of the varnish.

Refinishing Old Floors
In refinishing a varnished floor, much depends upon the condition of the old finish. If it is still intact, it should be washed thoroly with clear lukewarm water and allowed to dry, then sandpapered perfectly smooth, dusted off and one coat of floor varnish applied.

If the old finish is badly worn, it must be removed, as a transparent varnish will not hide any defects under it.

A good paint and varnish remover is recommended for this purpose. Such removers are usually applied with a brush and after a short time the old finish softens up so that scraping with a putty knife will readily remove it.

After using such removers, it is usually necessary to wash the wood surface with alcohol or benzine. Then when dry, sandpaper with fine sandpaper and the surface is ready for refinishing.

Proper Treatment and Care of Floors
Floors are best kept in good condition by sweeping with a hair broom, or a broom covered with a soft cloth. They should be wiped every week with clear cold water and the surface should immediately be wiped dry.

Re-varnishing is advised about once a year to keep the floors in good condition. When a surface is subject to extreme hard usage more frequent renewals may be desirable. This will keep the varnish from wearing thru, which would necessitate the removal of the old finish.

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Contractors are finding them very easy to install—in fact, so simple that it seems needless to go into any detail regarding this. The windows are built into the basement wall as the construction proceeds, and that is about all there is to it. In fact, contractors who have had any experience with the steel windows say that it is easier to install them than the old-style frame. The steel frame and sash are furnished complete, but it must be remembered that the hinge pins are removable, so that the sash can be taken out at any time, such, for instance, as when the sash is sent out for glazing.

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One of the popular types of steel basement windows has an outstanding leg around the frame, of sufficient size to be embedded in the surrounding construction and thus give an absolutely weathertight joint. Another type has a channel section which merely butts against the surrounding construction.

There is one very important point to be watched carefully in installing steel windows; that is to allow sufficient clearance for the free swinging of the sash after the completion of the construction. The difficulty occurs principally at the jambs. All the manufacturers' literature calls attention to this clearance very strongly, yet occasionally there comes up a case where the workman will grout up his masonry at the jamb right tight against the edge of the ventilator, so that it is very difficult to open the window at all without scraping the jambs. Manufacturer's details show a clearance of ¼ inch around all sides of the opening sash and if this be kept in mind there can be no possibility of any difficulty about the operating of the window.

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in pumping out excavations, trenches or cofferdams, this pump
is convenient and practical not only for its capacity, but because
it can be quickly placed at any desired point.

Rotary Gear Wheel Style

In general design this pump is of the rotary gear wheel
type, with all the working parts mounted in a heavy cast iron case
which preserves perfect alignment. The two main shafts are
geared together at the outer ends and carried in anti-friction
ball bearings. The gears are of special alloy steel, machine cut
ground and heat treated. The stuffing boxes are quickly ac-
cessible and easily repacked. A positive jaw clutch connects and
disconnects the power to the pump in the same manner as the
power pulley would be controlled. The efficiency of the pump
is increased by the fact the pump gears are driven thru the
closely fitted spur gears at the extreme rear. These latter
gears are enclosed in a tight case and run in a bath of oil.
The entire driving load of the pump is taken by the spur gear so
that in this way none of the metal to metal contact comes in
the pump blades. In addition to the ample lubrication for
the drive gears, compression grease cups are provided for
the main ball bearings. While this pump is built extra strong
for heavy duty service it is light in weight, weighing only
225 pounds.

This new rotary pump has been developed thru the co-opera-
tion of the maker's engineers working with another company
and has been tested and proved dependable under many different
field conditions.

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WALLBOARD is in such popular favor in Texas that it
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The Beauty of the two-tone effect of alternated Cor-Du-Roy and smooth panels—the non-fading surfacing—and the Mule-Hide quality mean a roof of permanent beauty and lasting service.
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A most artistic effect can be created by laying Panel Strip to produce a checkered effect. "The diagonal shadow pattern is another attractive way of laying the Panel Strip to give the appearance of tile. From an artistic and practical standpoint, the Cor-Du-Roy Panel Strip is a fast winning favorite with home owners everywhere.

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Ever since the first woman set the first bottle of milk on her outside window ledge to keep it cool, ingenious minds have been working on the problem of how best to utilize this natural means of refrigeration. The adjustable metal box, fitting snugly in the window and having no door to retard access is the best developed type.

The perfection of this type of device is now known. The “box” is constructed of galvanized iron and has a sliding adjustment which makes it fit any window from 18 to 36 inches. There is no door or front to it. The opening and closing of the window in front of it serves this purpose. The flange at the top fits so closely to the glass of the window that dust and snow and any considerable amount of moisture are effectually excluded. So efficient has this device proven that in many homes the taking of ice is considered superfluous from October to May.

It is not so long ago that fly screens were looked upon as a fad, but now no house is complete without them. It will only be a little while until the same will be true of the window refrigerator. Landlords are already adding them as a refinement of their rental property while tenants, where they are not provided are providing them for themselves as they did fly screens. The window refrigerators of the adjustable type are as readily installed by tenants as adjustable fly screens.

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The body of an improved floor scraper slides on the floor like a plane, insuring a cut of uniform depth. The bottom of the scraper is planed and corrugated, thus avoiding any suction and making the scraper pull 50 per cent easier. A rubber cushion lies directly over the blade which takes up all vibration and prevents chattering. The handle is adjustable to suit the height of the man operating it. The blades are of a grade of steel rolled to special analysis and specially tempered. The blade combines both hardness and toughness, the essential point in scraping blades. The cutting edge is 6 inches and a half-dozen blades go with each scraper as well as a hone, wrench, burnishing steel and a form for holding the blades in when resharpening. The scraper weighs 95 pounds and is one of five sizes.

Indian Mine Leases

The Eagle-Picher Co., Chicago and Cincinnati, announce they have arranged with Secretary of the Interior Fall for leases on lead and zinc mining properties in the Quapaw Indian lands in Ottawa County, Oklahoma. The properties were opened up for private operation on bids.

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Changes Location

E. H. ELLIOTT, having an executive position with the Krauss Brothers Lumber Co., has been transferred from the Cincinnati to the Philadelphia office.

New Management

K. RUPP, MEYERS & HOFFMAN have purchased the coal and lumber business of B. P. Lawrence & Sons, Lansdale, Pa.

New York and Export Agent

SCHIED Engineering Corporation, 90 West street, New York City has been appointed Metropolitan and Export representative for the Franklin Moore Company, Winsted, Conn., manufacturers of material handling machinery for industrial plants.

Operation Fatal

A. E. LYMAN, president of the Lyman-Hawkins Lumber Co., Akron, Ohio, recently passed to the beyond at Pasadena, Cal., following an operation for appendicitis. The deceased was seventy years old and had been in the retail lumber business for thirty-three years.

Shingles Sales Abroad

SHINGLE exports in 1921 were about 61 per cent of the quantity exported in 1920. In 1920 the number exported from the entire United States, or 34,257,000, was only seven-tenths of 1 per cent of the number of shingles produced in the State of Washington alone—4,847,000,000; 1922 sales promise to be large.

Employment Service, National Engineering Societies

THE Four National Engineering Societies, 29 West Thirty-ninth Street, New York City, maintains a free employment bureau. It is a national clearing house for engineering talent of all kinds.

The bureau is in a position to furnish civil, structural, heating and ventilating engineers; architects, superintendents and purchasing agents.

Liberal Prizes for Vitrified Clay Pipe Article

PRELIMINARY announcement of cash prizes for the best paper entitled “Use of Vitrified Clay Pipe in Plumbing Systems” is made by S. E. Dibble, head of the heating and ventilating department of the College of Industries, at Carnegie Institute of Technology. The total amount of prizes is four hundred dollars. The contest will be open to all practical plumbing and heating dealers, inspectors, etc., as well as to instructors and students in all educational institutions where drainage is taught.

Detail announcements of the rules and regulations of the competition, and the amount of each prize in the various classes, will be made soon.

The contest is a move toward increasing building operations, having in view, particularly, the reduced cost of drainage work. It is advisable that competitors for these prizes obtain copies of Mr. Dibble’s printed report of recent experiments on the use of bituminous jointing compounds for vitrified clay pipe. The experiments were conducted at Carnegie Institute of Technology. Copies of the report will be sent upon request by addressing R. S. Clark, Office of the Secretary, Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa.
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Kellastone Interior Plaster is the hardest and strongest material available for this purpose. It attains 600 pounds per square inch tensile strength in thirty days. For this reason it is not necessary to apply it as heavily as ordinary lime and gypsum plasters. Can be applied to any surface, is fireproof and immune to water damage.

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**Special Courses in Kiln Drying**

The Forest Products Laboratory of the United States Forest Service is offering at regular intervals short courses of instruction in kiln drying lumber. Those who attend one of these courses, get in two weeks, not only the essential information for drying lumber properly, but also the advantages of seeing proper methods demonstrated, besides answers to particular problems. There are no educational requirements for this course, but it is desirable that the person taking it be in a responsible position so that he can put his training into effect. A charge of $150 per man is made to cover the cost of instruction, since no government funds are available for the purpose. Further details can be obtained by writing the Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wis.

**Structural Steel Sales Decline**

Sales of fabricated structural steel during June amounted to 66 per cent of shop capacity, as against 81 per cent in May, according to reports made to the Department of Commerce by firms representing about 75 per cent of the fabricated capacity of the United States. On the basis of percentage of sales to capacity reported by all firms, the total sales throughout the United States would amount to 119,000 tons in June, as against 146,200 tons in May and 155,340 tons in April.

Reports from ninety-six identical firms, with a capacity of 135,050 tons, show the following actual sales for the past three months:

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**Comparative Value of Timber Cut from Live and Dead Trees**

Prejudice exists in certain quarters against the use of timber cut from dead trees, and some purchase specifications insist that only timber cut from live trees will be acceptable. As a matter of fact when sound dead trees are sawed into lumber, and the weathered or charred outside is cut away, there is no method known to the Forest Products Laboratory by which the lumber can be distinguished from that cut from live trees, except that the lumber from dead trees may be partly seasoned when sawed.

All the information available at the laboratory indicates that timber cut from insect or fire-killed trees is just as good for any structural purpose as that cut from live trees of similar quality, providing the wood has not been subsequently injured by decay or further insect attack. If a tree stands on the stump too long after it is killed, the sapwood is likely to become decayed or badly infested by wood-boring insects; and in time the heartwood also will be similarly affected. The same thing is true of logs cut from live trees and not properly cared for. Until the wood becomes affected by these destructive agents, dead tree wood should be just as strong and just as durable as sound live tree wood.

In considering the subject it may be useful to remember that the heartwood of a living tree is entirely dead, and in the sapwood only a comparatively few cells are living. Most of the wood cut from trees is dead, therefore, regardless of whether the tree itself is living or not. Such being the case, purchase specifications, instead of providing that material must not be from dead trees, should state that material showing evidence of decay or insect infestation exceeding a specified limit will not be accepted.

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The number of architects who use E-COD FABRIC in their own homes is a most gratifying tribute to the real worth of this product. Its merits and its economy have impressed all who have investigated E-COD FABRIC. A particular feature for interior plastering is the fact that it prevents checking, cracking and staining of plaster. New walls can be decorated immediately. E-COD FABRIC is fire retardant, sound-deadening, rust-proof and damp-proof. It saves 40% to 60% of the plaster which goes to form the key on the ordinary open-mesh lath. Full particulars will be furnished to you on application.

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The planning of a garage is almost an essential part of planning a new home. The McKinney Booklet, “Complete Garage Sets,” is a helpful booklet to keep before you when planning the garage.

It illustrates swinging, sliding-folding and around-the-corner doors that answer every problem of space allowance and entrance widths. It visualizes the completed entrance for your clients as no description will do.

And, best of all, it will allow you to control the purchasing of the necessary hardware for the hanging of the doors. Too often, an otherwise perfect plan goes awry because the purchasing of the hardware has been largely a matter of guesswork. All that is necessary to insure a perfect installation of the proposed doors is to write on the specifications the number of the McKinney set that corresponds to the entrance you have planned.

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The McKinney Booklet is full of valuable suggestions for the architect and builder. It will be sent free on request.

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THE FLORANDIN EQUIPMENT CO. has been organized by C. H. Florandin with offices at 110 West Fortieth Street, New York City, to act as representatives of the Conveyors Corporation of America, 326 West Madison Street, Chicago, manufacturers of the American steam jet ash conveyor and the American trolley carrier. The new organization will also do a general contracting business in and around boiler rooms and industrial plants.

Mr. Florandin has had wide experience in this work, for several years being Eastern manager of the Conveyors Corporation before forming his own organization.

Seek to Check Enormous Fire Loss

LAST year's fire loss was $485,000,000 and every year 15,000 to 20,000 people perish in fires.

Manufacturers of fire-resistant materials and of fire-fighting and retarding apparatus will have the opportunity of taking part in a Fire Prevention Exposition, October 2 to 7, at the Twenty-Second Regiment Armory, New York City. There will be shown, by exhibit and demonstration, what a vital part in the fight against fire loss is played by fire-safe materials and apparatus.

The problem of reducing the terrific strain on business caused by preventable fires is one that has long engaged the attention of these organizations. At the present rate of burning, property worth $1,300,000 is being destroyed each day. This is a financial burden which is borne by business men, for the fire insurance companies do not bear this loss—they simply pay out $1,300,000 each day that has been paid in to them in premiums by the public.

At the Washington conference the Chamber of Commerce of the United States was asked to undertake the responsibility of educating organized business men to the huge annual tax caused by fires. President Barnes of the Chamber accepted this responsibility and plans are now under way for a national citizens' fire prevention campaign.

The peak of this year's effort will be reached during National Fire Prevention Week, October 2 to 7, and the First Fire Prevention Exposition will be its greatest educational feature. It is purposed to show the latest ideas in fire-safe construction and also to demonstrate to the public the proper appliances to be used in fighting and preventing fires.

A lecture hall is in the armory building and it is planned to make each day of the exposition a special day, with lectures and motion pictures in the lecture hall. One day will probably be devoted to municipal authorities and fire department officials. Motion pictures will be shown. Another day will be given over to the children, who will be shown what they can do toward helping reduce the fire loss. A third day will be for plant managers and executives, who will be shown the hazards of industrial plants and told how these can be eliminated.

A. E. MacKinnon, of 405 Lexington Avenue, New York, is chairman of the Exposition Committee; James T. Catlin, Jr., Danville, Va., chairman of the Fire Prevention Committee of the National Association of Insurance Agents, and Frank W. Lawson, American Building, Baltimore, regional chairman of the Fire Prevention Committee, with Mr. MacKinnon, compose the Exposition Committee.

Wanted—A Builder

THE WISCONSIN BUILDING MATERIAL CO. writes that the town of New Lisbon, Wis., is in need of a builder capable of figuring contracts. The absence of such a man is holding up a number of construction jobs, the writer states. The regular builder is out of town on other work, hence the lack.

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Housing Shortage Demands More Homes Built Right

Despite the increased building activity in the United States during the last six months, the housing shortage for the country as a whole is estimated as somewhat more than two and a half years' production by John Ihlder, manager of the Civic Development of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. The situation is not the same in all American cities. In some places the shortage is estimated as nearly four years, while in others it is approximately one and a half years.

"This means," he explained, "that many thousands of American families are still living in cramped quarters, well-to-do families as well as poor people. It means that a considerable proportion of these families are becoming accustomed to this cramped living, accepting it as normal."

"I have heard of an admiral of our navy who, with his wife and two sisters, occupies three rooms and has his meals prepared on an ingenious little electric stove in the hall, of a comparatively well-to-do woman who occupies one room and bath and has her laundry washed in the bath room. When one goes from such people to the poor, he finds the overcrowding much worse with serious unsanitary conditions."

Mr. Ihlder pointed out "that while house building may not continue long at its present speed, it will continue to exceed current increase of need and so gradually reduce the shortage. Co-incidentally we may expect that building prices will come down, not steadily--just at present they are rising from the lower level of the winter--but with occasional flats and accents. This means that we may hope for dwellings produced and sold at smaller cost and so put within the means of a constantly larger proportion of the people until the day comes when the old procession is once more started from poorer houses to better houses and so make available to families of small means the old but adequate houses that are still habitable. At present and for some years in the future, so far as we can foresee, there will be little or no building of new buildings, at least in the east, for unskilled wage-earners."

"Desire for such dwellings is likely to expose us to a real danger; the attempt to cheapen construction by diminishing the space put at a family's disposal or by encouraging shoddy construction. The short cut of shoddy construction which has been, and still is to a lesser degree, one of our great menaces, promises to offer earlier relief, but at great cost. The short cut of diminished space has amply proved its fallacy in tense conditions of New York. Its ultimate results will be higher rents for a population so crowded together that it cannot live, but will merely exist."

"From the housing point of view, the most encouraging development of the past two or three years is the extension of zoning regulation in the United States. Begun just before the war, zoning gripped our imagination and as soon as peace returned American cities began to apply it. Today some sixty cities have or are drafting zoning regulations. Because of these zoning regulations they are keeping in their residence districts the open spaces which are the fundamentals of good housing."
In every community there is a big need for Brasco Store fronts, and we need more builders to install them. Our service department will help the builder in every way possible to land Brasco contracts. Survey the field and send us the names of prospective merchants for Brasco fronts, and we will work with you to a successful completion of the job.

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Work is under way at Cadillac, Mich., on a $65,000 sewage disposal plant. The city is doing the preliminary work, but the major construction is to be let on a contract. Buildings to be built are to be of octagon shape. One building will be 230 feet in diameter and others 90 feet.

Successful Conditions in Slate Industry

Many producers report an increasing demand for roofing slate. The public realizes that the cost of a construction material, whether for the roof or any other part of a building is measured not only in the first cost, but in total cost over a period of years. On such a basis, slate has the advantage of permanence, requiring no expense of maintenance for paint, patches and repairs. A slate roof was placed on an English chapel at Bradford-on-Avon over 1,200 years ago, and has remained there thru the centuries, and is still in good condition. Here in America it is reported that one slate roof covered six buildings in succession, and was again placed on the seventh after 176 years of use.

The increasing use of blackboard slate for bulletin and score boards by newspaper offices, railroad stations, clubs, etc., together with the record amount of educational building under way, promises to make 1922 the largest year in the sales of slate for blackboard purposes.

The record-breaking revival of construction in all lines during the first six months of 1922 is rapidly being felt in the increased demand for electrical and structural slate, but both feel the revival in construction activities a few months after the contracts for the buildings have actually been awarded, as they are installed normally in the finishing stages of the work.

While several manufacturers report restriction of production due to insufficient supply of workers, they report the demand and production for June, 1922, considerably in excess of that for 1921 and 1920.

+ Better Building Needed to Reduce Fire Losses

FIRE losses in the United States in 1921 were more than half a billion dollars.

Fire loss adjustments made by insurance companies in the United States and Canada during the past fourteen years amounted to $3,410,752,600. The average yearly loss was $243,625,200. The loss for 1920 was $330,853,925.

Losses from fire in the United States average $3 per capita per year. France has a per capita loss of 49 cents; Great Britain, 33 cents; German, 28 cents, and Holland, 11 cents.

During the past fourteen-year period our fire losses were 28.1 per cent of the value of new building construction. In 1920, although an abnormal amount of building was done, the fire losses were 23.5 per cent of the value of new buildings.

Starting as these losses are, they do not tell the whole story. They represent only the actual insurance adjustments made. They do not take into account losses due to the fact that buildings are seldom insured for more than 80 per cent of their full value, nor do they include losses not covered by insurance. The insurance adjustments made probably do not exceed 70 per cent of actual fire losses, including both insured and uninsured.

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You can actually save more than half the cost on both material and labor, and get better results in beauty of coloring, wearing qualities and wood preservation, by using Cabot’s Creosote Stains instead of paint, on shingles, siding and all similar outside woodwork. The colors are rich and handsome, not “painty.” They wear as long as the best paint and wear better, and they are made of creosote, which penetrates the wood and thoroughly preserves it.

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DATES FAR BACK

The memory of this generation can recall, no doubt, grandmother's early efforts to combat the nuisance of drafts with rags—papers and what-not. Her admonitions—"You'll catch your death of cold over at that window" and, "Come away from that door" were well meant but it remained to the inventor of the wood and felt door strip to give at least temporary relief. Soon these crude forerunners of the modern weatherstrip became worn and frayed, often outliving their usefulness in less than a single winter season. Frequent replacements, unsightly appearance and short lived usefulness brought into being the metal weatherstrip. Kansas was well pleased with this brain child of a native son but more general adaptation brought to light some disagreeable facts in the service to be had with this Kansas metal weatherstrip. It seems there was no allowance made for shrinkage—swelling of the window frame—or the strip easily removed for repairing the sash cord, etc.

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