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The Annual Number for 1925

We are proud of this June issue of the American Builder and we offer it to our readers—who represent the big general building field—with the hope and expectation that it will be very serviceable to them all through the year as a book of reference.

We have put a lot of extra value into this month's magazine—special features in addition to our regular departments.

The covers are extra heavy, tough and strong, and are printed in four colors and gold. "Heart's Desire" is the subject illustrated on the front cover—a beautiful inspiring study for everyone interested in home building.

Sixteen pages in full colors, illustrating popular home designs, are included this month as usual. Every month the American Builder presents this wonderful sixteen-page section of Home Designs in Colors. Our readers have come to expect this feature, and they are learning how to use these designs to the best advantage in interesting and selling prospective home builders. These beautiful home illustrations catch the eye and arouse the interest of everyone. They create home hunger and the longing to build and to improve.

The Portfolio of Notable Architecture this month is double the usual size: it is eight pages and illustrates a wide variety of noteworthy structures. Many of our architecturally inclined readers are keeping a special file of these plates illustrating notable examples of large and important buildings.

Authoritative reference articles covering every class of building are presented in this Annual Reference Number. Our readers will find them rich in human interest and authoritative information.

The Reference and Checking Lists

One of the most unusual features of this book, from a reference standpoint, is the Builders' Reference and Checking List, beginning on page 189. This is a specification guide for all classes of buildings and has been arranged in a logical way to be very useful. By checking over this list many important items will come to mind which otherwise might be forgotten. The lists covering building materials and building accessories are presented beginning on page 189, and then similar lists pertaining to contractors' equipment, woodworking machinery, concrete products plant equipment, and mechanics' tools, are presented in the distinctive India Tint Section beginning on page 291, where all of the announcements regarding equipment and tools are grouped together for the convenience of our readers.

Classified Index to Manufactured Goods

Paralleling those editorial lists we are also presenting a Classified Directory of all the products of our advertisers. This Classified Index and Buyers' Guide begins on page 460. It is arranged alphabetically by products, and under each heading are the names of the various manufacturers of that product. Following the name of each manufacturer is the page number of his advertisement in this issue, so that you can conveniently refer to that page and get additional information.

A great many manufacturers follow the custom of advertising only one or two items of their line, although they may have many items of value to the building industry. For this Classified Index and Buyers' Guide we have secured from each manufacturer his complete list of items of interest to our readers, and these are all included in this Classified Directory. This is a real service which we know our readers will appreciate.

These various reference features will cause this June Annual Number to be carefully preserved and kept close at hand for ready reference all through the year until the Annual Number of 1926 is out next year.

On pages 499 and 501 you will find the Index to Advertisers, arranged alphabetically. Scan this list and observe the very high-grade, representative firms in the building industry who are numbered among American Builder advertisers. We have here the largest and most complete list of building field advertisers ever before presented in a building publication. The completeness of this list makes the American Builder your most valuable and convenient reference and buyers' guide for all classes of materials and equipment you need for handling any kind of building contract.

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International Building Congress

The United States will be represented at the fourth international congress of building industry and public works by nine delegates who have been appointed by President Coolidge and who represent different sections of the country. The congress will meet June 21, in Paris, France, at the invitation of the French Government.

Rapid Zoning Progress

According to the U. S. Department of Commerce, a total of 320 municipalities throughout the country, with a population of more than 24,000,000, had zoning ordinances in effect on January 1, 1925. These municipalities range in size from the city of New York down to the smallest villages. Of the combined population of all cities of over 25,000 population, 62 per cent are receiving the benefits of zoning.

While the extent of regulation varies considerably in general, these zoning ordinances seek to regulate the use to which buildings may be put, the area of the lot which they may cover and their height in different sections of the city in order that the land in each district may be used for the purpose for which it is best suited. Home owners are protected from the invasion of their neighborhood by factories and, on the other hand, factory owners have a better choice of desirable plant sites.

Class in Gardening and Landscaping

A class in flower culture and landscaping open to the public is being conducted by the Tulsa, Okla., Real Estate Board. The course, aimed to give house owners and flower lovers of the city the information needed for landscaping improvement, is an extension of the regular technical real estate educational work carried on by the board. The class is conducted as part of the work of the Night High School. It was opened following public requests for such a course.

The Denver Real Estate Board plans to award prizes for the most beautiful premises and also for the best kept yards cared for by tenant renters, as part of its campaign to “Keep Denver Beautiful.” A floricultural committee has been appointed to provide for the planting of trees, shrubs and flowers.

Steel Standardization

The story of the construction economies that are being effected through standardization and simplification in the structural steel industry has just been told to audiences of engineers, architects, structural steel fabricators, contractors and business men, in 10 cities of the South, West and Western Canada by Lee H. Miller, chief engineer of the American Institute of Steel Construction.

These speeches sounded the note of construction economy through standardization in the structural steel industry by explaining the significance of the work being done by the American Institute of Steel Construction. He traced the history of the steel industry from its earliest beginnings and described the confusion that crept into the industry through utter lack of standardization of specifications and practices.

Since the institute came forward with the Standard Specification and the Code of Standard Practice, more than 30 leading cities of the United States have written the provisions of the Standard Specification into their building codes, and that a like number are now considering its adoption.

Specification of the new unit stress for structural steel makes possible a saving of fully 12 per cent in the amount of steel required for any specific job. This one phase of the economies made possible through the specification and the Code of Standard Practice will result in an economy of $30,000,000 annually in this country as soon as the new unit stress is generally adopted.

The Porch Connects Home and Garden. When planning any home take thought in ample time as to the outlook from the several important rooms and arrange the garden side so that the garden terrace can be entered directly and easily from the house.
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America — the Land of Comfortable Homes
Every Year, Homes Are Becoming More Efficient, More Comfortable and Attractive

It is fortunate for the building industry that there are so many opinions as to choice in both design and material. We know a gentleman who insisted upon a brick house of Georgian design, but his wife wanted a white wood frame Colonial, so they compromised by getting the white wood frame Colonial. Usually, however, the husband cunningly contrives to keep his wife interested inside while he appraises the basement and the outside of a house which he contemplates buying. But the outside of a house is a difficult thing to conceal and nowadays the women are certainly looking for appearances. It may be due to them that color and texture have become so prominent in building materials even though the architects claim credit for it.

Instead of the sombre effects of former days, roofs have blossomed out in a bewildering variety of tints. Stained wood shingles are exceedingly popular for both roofing and siding. Asphalt shingles are available in colors; and blended colors in natural slate, clay tile and rigid asbestos are growing in popularity. And now we have the thatched shingle effect in several varieties of roof coverings in imitation of the ancient thatched roofs.

Brick has joined the ranks of the esthetic; it can be had in innumerable warm tints and textures. Common brick has found its texture effect in the method of its laying, called “skintled” brick and with colored mortar joints producing some surprisingly good effects.

Dutch Colonial designs have been enjoying an unusual vogue—perhaps because this style lends itself to small, as well as large, house designs and economizes on lumber by eliminating the attic. Strange to say, while smaller houses are in demand, very small rooms have been eliminated in all but diminutive bungalows and cottages. The seven-room house of today usually has a living room of generous proportions, with a sun room adjacent, adding to the impression of size and vista. While Colonial architecture is still

The Modern Sun Room Is a Pleasing Place in Summer or Winter. Note the large size radiator at the end of this sun porch.

A Very Attractive Dutch Colonial Design with Living Porch at the End. Note the doorway leading to porch deck with electric light along side.
our main inspiration, there are evidences of a swing in public taste towards designs of the English type.

Those who have found recollections of pleasant summer nights on verandas—mixed, perhaps, with romantic recollections—will regret the passing of the veranda. The sun room has taken its place—a room for winter, as well as summer use—the sash well weatherstripped in winter and equipped with screens in summer. Lighted, heated and furnished, it is a bright, cheery spot in winter and easily thrown open to the cooling breezes when summer comes around. Even the family hearth, in some houses, has been moved to the sun room.

In modern designs, dining rooms are quite frequently placed at the front of the house sharing with the living room, in equal degree, the honors of entertainment. An entirely new room is appearing on many house plans—the radio room—usually installed as an alcove to living room, dining room or study. The most favored location is off the living room. Thus, to the other attractions of the modern home, an unlimited range of music and entertainment via the radio is “on tap” day or night.

Both materials and designs have been modernized. Wood, brick, stone and stucco are even more generally used now than in the days of Caesar. While not in itself new, stucco today presents a wide range of new effects in color, texture, pebble-dash or sparkling minerals. It is often used in combination with other materials, as when the lower floor is stuccoed and the upper floor sided with shingles of stained wood or asphalt with mineral surfacing. The asphalt shingle, by the way, is also an adaptation of an ancient material. When Pharaoh’s daughter found Moses in the bulrushes, the basket in which he was floating is said to have been waterproofed with asphalt, and the mummies of...
This Bedroom Is of a Size Associated with a Large House. Note the low radiator under the window with cover which forms a window seat. Also the full length mirror in the closet door. Portraits of children at various ages adorn the walls. Egyptian kings lie in our museums today swathed in asphalt and linen.

Machine molded concrete masonry products have been brought to a high state of perfection in recent years even though poured concrete dates back to the days of the old Roman aqueduct.

A new type of concrete masonry house is making its appearance. This new type of concrete masonry is finer and of better color than was possible with the old methods. It is beautifully molded, dense and harder than many natural stones. By tooling or the use of special aggregates, the effect of almost any natural stone can be obtained.

There have been changes and improvements in sash, doors and millwork. Casement windows are becoming as popular today—with modern fixtures, however—as they were when Spanish guitars thrummed under them in old Madrid.

Insulation in the walls of a house will certainly make it cooler in summer and warmer in winter,
with a corresponding saving on the coal pile. The value of insulation is well illustrated in the case of the thermos bottle which will keep coffee hot for a day. House insulation is particularly valuable under the roof or just above the top ceiling, as this is where the biggest heat loss in the winter or gain in the summer takes place. Certainly, good wall insulation is another modern contribution to comfort and economy.

American homes of today are reaching a surprising stage of efficiency with a great gain in comfort and convenience. Father does not have to get up in the dark, early hours of winter to turn on the furnace draft. A thermostat or automatic heat regulator does that for him and the house is comfortably warm when members of the family rise. Maybe, too, the family has been able to afford an oil-burner or a gas-fired furnace or boiler, with their clean, automatic heat. In fact, the basement of the modern home is so clean and dry that a billiard-or playroom can be located there. It is a fine place for Jimmy and the boys to play on rainy days instead of staying upstairs and teasing the cat or pulling sister’s hair. Steel basement sash will admit plenty of daylight.

It will be perfectly safe to store the family heirlooms in any well built modern basement where proper waterproofing materials and methods have been used. Even if flood water backs up through the drain, an automatic cellar draining pump, on guard for that purpose, will eject it.

The feminine portion of the household are thoroughly sold on the conveniences of the modern home—and they are the big sales factor as any real estate agent will tell you.

This Picture Shows the Basement of a Bungalow Equipped with a Hot Water Heating Boiler of Triangular Shape Fired by a Motor Driven Oil Burner. This view also shows the water softening apparatus, the laundry tubs and the insulated domestic water heater and storage, gas fired and automatically controlled.

Hardwood floors and trim, enameled woodwork, tile and linoleum floors are easily kept clean. The scrubbing of the kitchen floor is a domestic rite more honored in the breach than in the observance. Black and blue knees are no longer a necessary part of housekeeping. Outside icing is one form of clean floor insurance. The iceman may have social gifts, but they will not compensate for

This Well Lighted Basement Has a Very Completely Equipped Laundry. Here are shown the electric ironing machine as well as the ironing board for a hand electric iron. The laundry gas stove is shown, also the gas-fired clothes dryer.
what he brings in on his feet. Nor does it seem to hurt his feelings to provide an outer icing door where he may more quickly deposit his dripping burden. Or, better still, there is the mechanical refrigerator which eliminates the iceman and his bill altogether. There are several types of both the electric and gas fired variety in successful domestic use. The mechanical unit is usually installed in the basement and is automatic in its action; but the refrigerator itself can be placed in kitchen or pantry.

A convenient soiled linen chute will, of course, extend from bedroom floor to basement, going on its modern way to the laundry tubs and the washing machine. The washboard market has suffered a serious decline. Red knuckles among laundresses are no longer in style; in fact, the lady usually arrives in an automobile and is herself a sort of chauffeur of the suds. A gas fired clothes dryer makes the laundry complete and up-to-date.

That boon to every housekeeper—soft water—can be made available in bath, laundry and kitchen with the automatic water softerner in the basement. Another boon to the housekeeper and the rest of the household, as well, is the automatic domestic water heater which will turn on the gas whenever the temperature of the water falls below a predetermined point. It is thoroughly insulated for economical hot water storage. A yearning to wash dishes will not be disappointed because someone has taken a bath upstairs. In fact, the ultra-modern house has a mechanical dishwasher. Some are electric, some hydraulic, and, perhaps the latest, is a combination sink and dishwasher. The picture of a housewife elegantly attired, busy at her tasks of housekeeping while sitting in a Morris chair, reading a novel and pushing electric buttons may yet come true.

Woe betide the builder today if he fails to provide convenience outlets in every room. What good is a vacuum sweeper if one has to get down on one's knees and disconnect a floor lamp before being able to plug in with the sweeper connection? Wise builders are providing against this emergency.

The kitchen of the modern house is getting to be a filing cabinet. There is a place for everything and everything should be in that place—a wall cabinet for the ironing board which lets down right under the electric iron connection; a kitchen cabinet—preferably built in—with sugar and spices and cooking devices. Other cabinets for pots and pans flank the cooking range and the sink; the latter placed under a window, which does considerable to lift the shadow for housekeeping.

From a place to be avoided until Saturday night, the bath-room has become the showplace of American homes—glittering in white, tin, enamel and porcelain and decorated with nickel or silver plated trimmings. The tub has become a sunken pool into which one can step without vaulting or climbing. If there is not a separate shower cabinet, there is usually one arranged over the tub with rubber curtains. You can take your choice between this and the one which has mirrors flanked all around it. The latter would only be a luxury for some people. A pedestal lavatoy is the latest; we don't understand how anyone ever got into Burke's Peerage without it. Even the banker when he is appraising your house for a loan frowns upon any other type of lavatory.

Nor has the lowly toilet seat been neglected; it is as spick and span as any of the other equipment. Both the forests and the seas have been scoured for improved material. The bowl no longer finds its support and connection through the floor, but through the service pipe. Flush tanks are disappearing before the rush of the direct flush-valves.

Architects and builders all know that it pays to install good builders' hardware. They are constantly preaching this gospel to home buyers and owners of other classes of buildings. It costs less in the end and gives real satisfaction. It is encouraging to note that there is an increasing demand for the better grade of door knobs, escutcheons, locks, latches and hinges.

More attention is being paid than ever before to wall finish and decoration. Tinted sand float finish or painted rough finish is quite the vogue. Wall papers are still popular, especially for bedrooms, and a woven, waterproof fabric for wall finish has been perfected which provides handsome and durable effects. It can be washed without injury and provides a soft, pleasing finish without gloss, in many tints and patterns.

Wheat, birch and gum, as well as oak and mahogany, are being used for finish and paneling. Veneered panels are furnished in many varieties of woods and so made as to prevent cracking, shrinking or warping.

The fireplace is, perhaps, more popular than ever before. It is a genuine contribution to comfort, with modern design and equipment which prevent drafts and smoke. Gas logs and radiant electric effects are installed where owners do not want to build fires. However, the wood and coal grates give genuine comfort, especially to take off the chill of early fall or late spring.

There must be some other explanation than "housing shortage" for the continuing nation-wide demand for new homes. People today are building for perfectly natural reasons—because they want to build. More of them want homes than ever before and those who want homes want better homes.

With regard to continued home building activity all over the land, perhaps no other explanation is needed than that homes have been made more attractive. The building industry has sold the American people—with the aid of extensive publicity—on the increased attractiveness of the modern home.

Defining Rail Steel Bars

RAIL steel reinforcing bars for concrete are manufactured from rails removed from the track on account of wear after years of service. This rail steel is a product that originally had to meet the strictest specifications before use and during service in the track.

The upper end of the ingot is discarded to remove impurities before the remainder is rolled into rails. These rails have to withstand the blows of heavy locomotives during the heat of summer and the frost of winter on a yielding or a frozen ballast. After their service in the track they are disposed of to the rail steel industry to be reheated and rolled into various products such as small sections, bars and tubing.

This is the product commonly specified by architects and engineers as specification A-16-14, which is the standard specification of the American Society for Testing Materials.
O UR readers will find among this month’s plates some particularly fine perspectives and a number of building projects of national interest. It will be noticed also that this month’s Art Supplement has been increased in size. Architects all over the country are particularly busy just now, but we hope that some will find time to write us commenting on these perspective plates and making suggestions for future issues. We like to keep in touch with the work of our readers and what they have on their boards.

New Cleveland Union Station
Graham, Anderson, Probst and White, Architects

A tower rising to a height of fifty stories, 708 feet above the concourse level, will be the central feature of the New Union Station at Cleveland. It will rest on caisson foundations extending down to bed rock.

The tower will soar from out of the mass of an imposing group of classic buildings fronting on the Public Square, with its cloud-capped summit forming a new skyline visible from practically any part of Cleveland. The Hotel Cleveland forms the right wing of the construction. Another building, harmonizing with the hotel in design and construction, will form the left wing.

The terminal grouping commands a diagonal sweep of the Square. The entire Square, therefore, serves as a foreground. This accentuates the symmetrical and balanced effect of the grouping.

The impression of the tower and of the grouping as a whole is one of sturdiness and strength, and of restraint, with respect to decorative treatment. Its beauty is in its simplicity rather than a striving after the elaborate. Height has not been sought after for height’s sake, but because of the part it plays in fitting the construction to the Public Square surroundings.

Graham, Anderson, Probst and White, architects, of Chicago, designed the buildings, the construction of which will be supervised by H. D. Jouett, chief engineer of the Terminal Company.

The Tower Building, or central building of the Public Square group, will extend south as far as the new Prospect Avenue. It will be served by twenty elevators. On the Prospect Avenue side, the main building will be fifteen stories high, with a central court running back to the south-erly face of the tower proper.

The main entrance to the Union Station at the Public Square forms an arcaded loggia in front of the base of the tower. This loggia will be 65 feet high, consisting of seven great arches, 18 feet wide and 37 feet high. These arches will be embellished by free-standing columns and entablature.

The Cleveland Union Station terminal will extend from East Forty-third Street to West Thirty-seventh Street. It will be electrified and the electrification will be extended for some distance on the participating railroads, to points where it will be convenient to change from steam locomotives to electric locomotives, and vice versa, as is done in New York.

The three railroads, which handle more than half of the passenger business of the city of Cleveland, have formally contracted to use the new station. These are the New York Central, the Big Four and the Nickel Plate. The other railroads of Cleveland may do so whenever they wish.

The station development involves a number of engineering prodigies. The Terminal Company will place about 400,000 yards of concrete; 15,000 tons of reinforcing rods; 50,000 tons of steel; 42 miles of tracks and 450,000 square feet of platforms. It will construct, it is estimated, 760 lineal feet of street bridges over tracks, 4,425 lineal feet of street viaducts over the station, 4,400 lineal feet of railroad bridges and viaducts.

High School, Patchogue, L. I., New York
Tooker and Marsh, Architects

The new high school building at Patchogue, Long Island, has been designed to meet all the needs of the community for secondary education and for community use. The building was planned in 1922, and the contract for it was let in November of that year. It was completed in February, 1924, and occupied shortly thereafter.

The instructional departments of the building are in the middle portion and in the rear wing, and the auditorium and gymnasium are in the two end rooms. The arrangement is such that the auditorium adjoins the village Memorial Park and may serve for various meetings and gatherings, independent of the school and of the balance of the building. The auditorium has a front entrance leading directly from the street, with a large lobby and stair hall equipped with a ticket booth, coat checking room, and lavatories. The auditorium seats about 1,200, and has a large stage suitable for meetings and theatricals. There are ample dressing rooms and an orchestral pit. A projection booth is provided in the gallery.

The gymnasium at the south end of the building is a complete unit which can also be handled independently of the balance of the building. It has a front entrance with a lobby and ticket office, space for checking wardrobes, and an office for the director. Locker rooms and considerable space for spectators, toilets and showers have been arranged for. The gym locker rooms are independent of the students’ locker and shower rooms, which are located in the main portion of the building.

Except for pipe tunnels there is no basement under any portion of the building. The ground floor, which contains a lunch room, locker rooms, work shops, and classrooms, is on the level of the building site. On this floor there is, in addition to the rooms enumerated, space for the physical directors and for the medical inspectors.

On the first floor are located six classrooms, a group of three rooms for the commercial department, a large study hall which may be divided into two classrooms, toilets, and the administrative offices of the village school system.

On the second floor there are twelve classrooms, a double study hall which may also be cut into two classrooms, the teachers’ hall, toilet, and locker rooms. The third floor is devoted to the laboratories, drafting room, and a housekeeping suite.

The building is of brick, concrete, and stone, and cost a total of $464,500 with equipment.
The Book-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, Mich. Louis Kamper, Architect

Of the many fine hotels, now planned, under construction or recently completed, the Book-Cadillac, of Detroit, is one of the most palatial. It is located on the site of former Cadillac Hotels, at Michigan Avenue, Washington Boulevard and Shelby Street. The new hotel has 1,200 guest rooms, each with bath, and the structure cost $14,000,000 to build and $2,000,000 more to equip. As shown by Mr. Kamper’s perspective drawing, the architecture is of modified Italian Renaissance, with exterior walls of best quality face brick, Bedford limestone and terra cotta. The steel framing rests on caissons carried down to hard pan, 120 feet below grade, and extending to a height of about 300 feet above street level. Practically all the interior columns of the wings are supported on trusses, in order to provide the large, clear areas of the ball rooms on the floor above the lobby and its mezzanine.

An interesting feature of the exterior design of the building is to be seen in four stone statues on the Michigan Avenue front, representing characters intimately connected with the early history of Detroit. These consist of General Anthony Wayne, hero of the British and Indian war; Antoine De La Mothe Cadillac, founder of the city of Detroit; Pontiac, Indian chief, leader of the famous Pontiac conspiracy, and Navarre, French nobleman and Cadillac’s lieutenant.

Upon entering the hotel one proceeds up a beautiful stairway built of Breche Violette marble imported from France and trimmed with yellow Sienna marble from Italy with red rope guard rails on each side. The stairway, which is covered with soft gray green carpet, leads up to the main lobby lounge floor which occupies a considerable part of the second story. It is composed of a medium sized entrance foyer surrounding the stairway well and a long lobby and lounge running two-thirds of the full length of the hotel along the Michigan Avenue side. This lobby lounge gave even the professional men attending the opening something to think about. They were pronounced in their expressions of admiration.

On this floor, beside the lobby lounge, are located the offices, main restaurant, café, tearoom, and kitchen. The lobby is a Venetian room and the walls are of beautiful colored Breche Violette marble trimmed with white Alabama. The gallery railings of wrought bronze rest upon black walnut beams between columns supporting a richly modeled cornice. The ceiling is of intricate panels with the whole surface decorated in subdued colors on a ground work of gold leaf. Appropriately enough, the ceiling is emblazoned with the coat of arms of Cadillac, the brilliant and dashing founder of the city.

Other unique and beautiful features of decorations, furnishings and equipment are found in the Main Restaurant, Palm Room, Chinois Tea Room, Francis I Café, English Grille, Women’s Retiring Rooms, Grand Ball Room, Crystal Ball Room and Italian Garden.

The Book-Cadillac represents many new ideas in layout, decoration, kitchen and mechanical equipment. Many new efficiency ideas and adaptations of the latest in equipment and furnishings have been made.

An interesting fact in connection with this hotel enterprise is that the Book Brothers, J. B. Book, Jr., F. P. and Herbert V. Book, were born in the old Cadillac Hotel and are now proprietors of this magnificent new hostelry.

Jersey Maternity Hospital, New York City
Arnold W. Brunner Associates, Architects

Architectural features of this new hospital building will be the strong vertical lines from the second to the seventh stories and arrangement of the window arches in the top floor set-back. The building is to be erected at 105th Street and Fifth Avenue.

The book is about "Book-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, Mich. Louis Kamper, Architect."

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[The rest of the text continues with various new construction projects and buildings described, including the Book-Cadillac Hotel.]
ART SUPPLEMENT of NOTABLE ARCHITECTURE

The CLEVELAND UNION STATION, on the Public Square, Cleveland, O., Graham, Anderson, Probst & White, of Chicago, Architects.

The AMERICAN BUILDER, June, 1925
The Book-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, Mich.; Lewis Kamper, of Detroit, Architect.

Acknowledged as being the last word in modern hotel design and equipment.
The Jewish Maternity Hospital, New York City;
The Jackson Towers, Co-operative Apartment Hotel, Fifty-sixth St. and Everett Ave., Chicago; Walter W. Ahlschlager Inc., of Chicago, Architects.
The Jackson Building, Asheville, N. C.; Donald Greene, of Asheville, Architect.
A superb Gothic structure 200 feet high.
The Tampa Board of Trade Building, Tampa, Fla.; M. Leo Elliot, of Tampa, Architect. Foundation stories are to be 120 by 45 feet, the tower stories 45 by 45 feet.
THE immensity of our markets here at home and the attractiveness of our purely domestic trade is drawing manufacturers from the Orient and reaching out now to cultivate and to secure foreign business. Export trade is growing. Our American exports for March totaled $453,344,000.00, an increase of 33 per cent over March, 1924.

Conditions in general are more and more favorable to the export of American building ideas and American building supplies and contractors' equipment. Europe, South America and the Orient are very much interested in the way we build our homes and our skyscrapers and our industrial plants; and they are making use of our labor-saving construction equipment, in many cases operated and supervised by American engineers and contractors.

Since my trade investigation trip around the world, on which I visited forty-nine different foreign countries and established personal relations with many of the leading mercantile houses abroad, I have been gratified to note from the large amount of overseas mail that goes across my desk, the very real and growing interest in the American Builder and in the products of our advertisers.

I have made arrangements so that the American Builder is regularly on file and in use in the office of every United States Consul and Consular Agent in every country in the world; and from all reports these magazines are very much referred to, insofar as importers, merchants, etc., are asking for them. The building designs and ideas are followed and the advertising pages are a buyer's guide and directory for the overseas builders and importers of builders' supplies and equipment.

We receive a great many letters from abroad asking for quotations and for catalogs and other information. I am glad to take care of these personally by letter, and I want to take this opportunity to invite our friends abroad as well as those here at home to write us.

FROM THE AMERICAN VICE CONSUL IN JAVA

Sorebaya, Java.

American Builder: I acknowledge receipt of the complimentary copies of the American Builder, with which you have so generously supplied this office. This magazine has been regularly received and placed in the commercial reading room of your office, where the last two copies are always on file. The other copies are in the possession of the Consul and Consular Agent and are used in the interest of American trade.

(Signed) Rolly R. Winslow, American Vice Consul in Charge.

INTRODUCING DUNTILE INTO MEXICO

Holland, Mich.

American Builder: This is just a newy letter giving the story of a very interesting sale we have just completed for Mexico City, Mexico. One of the most prominent men in Mexico is J. De La Lama, who is very closely connected with ex-President Obrrego, and who is also a man of great wealth. In fact, Mr. De La Lama is an architect by profession, but spends his money and time developing large real estate deals by putting in roads, sewers and water mains himself and then erecting anywhere from five hundred to a thousand homes. He is un-

left Holland to return to Mexico. Of course, he purchased the equipment, being entirely satis-

fied in regard to Duntile. He and Mr. De La Lama are going to try out Duntile in Mexico City by using just one machine to satisfy them-

selves that they can make the product satisfac-
tory and that it will reduce their building costs in accordance with our claims. This first trial is, therefore, really experimental, and if everything works out satisfactorily they intend to use a very large number of machines, using most of the product themselves.

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deed and that the American Builder is read by the most prominent people even in foreign countries.

We thought that you might be interested in knowing of this deal and we take this opportu-
nity of expressing our satisfaction for the excel-

lent results obtained from your magazine, both in America and in foreign countries.


FROM INDIA

Rajpilla, India.

American Builder: We are interested in land clearing and stump pulling equipment to use with our two Fordson tractors to clear new land.

Please send us the address of the manufactur-

ers and let us have quoting price for this equipment.

(Signed) R. N. Damhali & Co.

HISTORICAL AND REFERENCE NUMBER IN GAUDELOUPE

(Signed) Translated From French)

La Pointe a Pitre, Guadeloupe, W. I.

American Builder: I have the pleasure to ask for information regarding your book which I have had the oppor-
tunity of seeing recently. It is yours, June, 1924, Historical and Reference Number. I have found much interesting information therein.

In this a regular edition or a special book, and will you send me a copy of it?

(Signed) A. Amarias, Entrepreneur Usine Darboisserie.

FROM SCOTLAND

Edinburgh, Scotland.

American Builder: I am always interested in the methods and ways of the Western Hemisphere in matters architectural. I will enjoy my subscription to the American Builder and will endeavor to make the best possible use of same. It has already received considerable attention.

(Signed) William T. Nichols, Ltd., Builders and Contractors.

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Valparaíso, Chile.

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Structural Steel, Floor Tiles, Casement Windows, Reversible Windows, Industrial Cars, Locomotive Cabs?

(Signed) Lewis & Co., Architects and Engineers.
Costly Buildings Erected for Government and Municipal Use

Permanence of Building Material and Durability of Equipment Are Needed for These Buildings

ONE of the latest and finest buildings erected at the nation's capital is the United States Chamber of Commerce, which stands at the corner of Seventeenth and "H" streets, Washington, D. C. This site is historic, as on it formerly stood an old red brick mansion, at one time occupied by Daniel Webster. Adjoining are the houses of John Hay and Henry Adams and the Dolly Madison and Cameron houses are nearby. Across La Fayette Square stands the White House.

The United States Chamber of Commerce is the national headquarters of the 1,300 local Chambers of Commerce throughout the United States, which have an active membership of over 750,000 corporations, firms and individuals throughout the United States. The movement for the establishment of the National Chamber had its inception fourteen years ago, during the Taft administration, and the fund for completion of the building—$3,000,000—has been contributed by business men, firms and corporations throughout the entire country.

This fine building—designed by Mr. Cass Gilbert, architect, New York City—is necessary to house the officials and clerks carrying on the work. It also provides many fine conference and committee rooms as well as a memorial hall and an assembly room or National Chamber 60 feet wide by 110 feet long and 35 feet in height which seats over a thousand members.

The architecture is of classic simplicity featured by semi-detached fluted Corinthian columns. Many fine marbles are used throughout the walls, floors and stairways of the building. For instance, in the National Council Chamber, there is a border of beautiful marble of a red-brown tint, known as Italian Levanto, and the same material is used as a base for the walls. Memorial Hall is lined with Poullenay Rose marble—soft gray in color—and the floors are of Roman Travertine, from Italy.

The Centennial Memorial Building, at Springfield, Ill.—illustrated in the art duotone section of the January AMERICAN BUILDER—is an excellent example of a costly state building, designed to last for many years.

For county court houses and for municipal buildings the materials, construction and equipment are usually of the best. Estimates of the amount to be spent on public buildings during 1925 run all the way from $30,000,000 to $190,000,000.
Striking Evidence of Prosperity in American Hotel Development

Never Before Have So Many Large Hotels Been Under Construction and Projected

There is no more striking evidence of the widespread general prosperity which this country now enjoys than the enormous expansion which is taking place in the hotel industry. Not only are many massive new hotels being erected in the larger cities, but alterations and extensions of great magnitude are being planned to still further enlarge the capacity of existing hotels. This development has been particularly striking in Chicago.

New York has long been noted for its hotel development. As a great ocean port, a financial and merchandising center—the dominating metropolis of the new world—this is but natural. But Chicago is probably the greatest railroad center in the world. And Chicago is now entering a period of hotel expansion which bids fair to make it noted the world over for the size and luxury of its hotels. In fact, the promoters of three recent Chicago hotel enterprises have each claimed theirs to be the largest hotel in the world—the Stevens, the new Palmer House and the enlarged Morrison Hotel. But before construction is started, a project for a larger hotel is announced. The original Edgewater Beach Hotel was a fine building, but the new building of the Edgewater group so far overshadows its prototype as to make it look like a pigmy. Other cities throughout the country—small as well as large—are experiencing a proportionate hotel building activity.

Most hotels built in a central city location are of the steel frame type of construction, with curtain walls of stone or brick. More and more of these structures are being built with floors of reinforced concrete, a form of construction which has many advantages from the stand-point of fire resistance, rigidity and sound-deadening features. The Edgewater Beach Hotel, however, and a number of large hotel buildings all over the country, are of reinforced concrete construction throughout. The illustrations herewith reveal the rich decorative effect of the exposed concrete beams which are painted to resemble wooden timbers and still bear the grain marks of the form lumber.

The central fireplace and chimney in the lounge is a unique feature of this hotel which is greatly admired. Steel sash are used throughout and seem to be finding increas-

This Beautiful Dancing Floor Is a Feature of the Alamo Room in the Clarendon Beach Hotel, Chicago. The floor is of heavy plate glass through which vari-colored lights are thrown on the dancers and the tints changed at the will of the operator, creating a gorgeous spectacle. The plate glass is installed in special steel framing similar to that used for sidewalk lights in daylight illumination, but the sheets of glass are much larger.
The New Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, with Its Pleasing Location on the Lake Front. When your radio set announces "The Voice of the Great Lakes," you can visualize this splendid structure, with its extended wings. Marshall and Fox are the architects of this fine building.

...ing favor among hotel designers. The very low radiators under the windows is another noticeable feature, also the beautiful electric light fixtures of this hotel.

The mechanical equipment of a great hotel is truly impressive, including batteries of passenger and freight elevators, immense boilers and refrigerating machinery, kitchen and laundry equipment—immense coal, gas and electric ranges, refrigerators and ice boxes; also water softeners, tanks, washing machines, extractors and mangles, electric motors, compressors, pumps, fans, dumbwaiters, intercommunicating telephones and radio apparatus. Practically all types of floor coverings, furniture and fittings are required. The flooring, wood and metal trim, plumbing fixtures, plaster and decorations are usually the best that the market affords.

A bath in every room seems to be the slogan of the modern hotel and this often includes showers and sprays, as well as the finest porcelain tubs and lavatories. Bathroom equipment always includes cabinets and mirrors—usually of the built-in type.

The new Palmer House, Chicago, and many fine hotels throughout the country, are installing dumbwaiter service in every room, so that clean linen and pressing, freshments, or deliveries of any kind are available at the pressing of a button, and the ubiquitous bellboy will, therefore, be much less in evidence. Fine painting and decoration will continue to find increasing use to make hotels attractive.

Every year sees a greater number of conventions held in hotels, also business and professional meetings of all kinds. This occasions an increasing demand for ball rooms, dining rooms and exhibit display spaces in corridors and special rooms. It seems likely...
A Unique Effect Has Been Gained by the Central Fireplace and Chimney in This Fine Lounge of the Edgewater Beach Hotel. The sloping beamed ceiling, the columns and the transom window lights above add to the unusual effect—like a baronial hall.

that the convention feature will play an increasingly prominent part in hotel design and that the big hotels of the future will have permanent exhibit halls and special convention rooms arranged in groups for convenient convention use.

Where a hotel has a population of several thousand people, the store spaces have an extra value from the buying power of the guests, as well as the street trade. This has led to the design of corridors so arranged that leased shops will have entrances from both street and hotel corridor and calls for an added display window on the corridor side. Corridors arranged in this way undoubtedly add to the revenue obtainable from shop leases. These corridors are best arranged parallel with the street.

One feature of hotel building contracts—like those for large office buildings—is the necessity for complete contractors' equipment of every kind, to save labor and speed up the work. The sites on which hotels are built usually have a high per-square-foot value and are quite extensive in area. The in-

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Advertising in Steel and Stone Puts a Premium on Architecture
Large Sums of Money Being Spent on Fine Office Buildings Have an Advertising Value as Well as a Rental Income

A PERFECTLY natural economic law tends to force upwards to greater heights the buildings which occupy central city sites. Centralization brings increased land values to those who are fortunate enough to own property where the greatest number of buyers congregate in the shopping and business centers. It is estimated that from 150,000 to 300,000 people pass "the busiest corner" of a large American city every day.

Choice central sites in the Wall Street section of New York are valued as high as $20,000 per front foot and, in Chicago's Loop, at $15,000 per front foot. A corner lot in one of these locations might easily be valued at $5,000,000 or over. A five-story building on such a site would require from tenants an average of $10.00 per square foot, in order to pay the interest on the investment, pay the taxes and other expenses and return a fair profit to the owner. A 20 or 30-story building on the same site, while it would cost at least four times as much to build, would provide enough additional floor space to bring down the rental to $4.00 per square foot or less.

Of the two types of buildings, the high building can be made one of distinction, beauty and pre-eminence—an advertisement in steel and stone of great value to almost any business. And the more notable the building for height and beauty, the greater the value of the advertising. Such buildings as the Metropolitan Tower, the Singer and the Woolworth buildings, in New York, the London Guarantee and Accident Building, the Wrigley Building or the Tribune tower, in Chicago, have attained national—even international—prominence by sheer height and beauty.

Architects, builders, contractors and manufacturers of building material and equipment will continue to profit by the increased number of high buildings required to serve the growing congestion of American business centers. This situation is by no means confined to New York and Chicago, but exists in only slightly modified form in Philadelphia, Detroit, Cleveland, St. Louis, Los Angeles, Baltimore, Boston, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, Buffalo, Cincinnati, Milwaukee, Washington and many other American cities. In fact, there are about 300 American cities where an increasing number of high buildings may be expected. This situation is a great spur to American architecture. In the twenty-nine metropolitan cities, particularly, a premium has been put on the more beautiful and commanding designs, the graceful and artistic being combined with the utilitarian and profitable. In other words, it has been found that beautiful architecture pays—a situation which insures continued architectural improvement in our cities. When a group of hard headed business men will cheerfully spend large sums of money for space which cannot be

High Office Buildings Are Not Confined to the Lower End of Manhattan Island, but This Airplane View Does Include More High Office Buildings Than Any Other District of Equal Area in the World.
rented but which does add symmetry, grace and beauty to the building, then American architects may feel that progress is being made. This has happened with a number of office building projects. Public taste is also improving and the future is bright with promise for the improved appearance of American cities, not only in skyscrapers, but also in schools, colleges, churches, state, municipal, business and even industrial buildings.

A high office building represents a tremendous tonnage of building material and equipment, including literally hundreds of items. A skyscraper sometimes represents a dead weight of 100,000 tons of building material and equipment. The Woolworth Building, New York, weighs considerably more than this and the Singer Building weighs 90,000 tons. The Furniture Mart, of Chicago, which, in floor space, is the largest building in the world, contains:

- 36,000 tons of sand and gravel,
- 20,000 tons of cement,
- 21,000 tons of brick,
- 6,000 tons of reinforcing steel,
- 745 tons of structural steel,
- 400,000 square feet of tile partitions,
- 600,000 lineal feet of steel floor domes,
- 255,000 square feet of radiators,
- 1,500 steel window frames,
- 3,000 steel sash,
- 310 steel fire doors,
- 724 store doors,
- 516 store fronts,
- 6,600 electric light fixtures.

The Bell Building, Chicago; K. M. Vitzthum & Co., Architects; McLennan Construction Co., Builders. This is one of Chicago’s newest skyscrapers. It fronts on the double-decked Michigan Boulevard, a block south of the river.

The Columbian Mutual Tower Building, Memphis, Tenn.; Mr. I. A. Baum, Architect. Though not the largest, this is one of the finest office buildings in the South.

This is but a partial list of the main items and the complete list includes power, heating, lighting and elevator equipment, in addition to hundreds of other items of finish and equipment. Three million board feet of lumber were required for the forms alone, and 7,500 piles were driven under the foundations. The Furniture Mart is an exposition, rather than an office building, but much the same building material, equipment and finish is required.

Estimates of the value of office buildings to be constructed during the present year vary from $250,000,000 to $450,000,000, or about 6 per cent of the national building program. We expect to see the expenditures for this class of buildings increase from year to year as realty values increase and so many of the older, smaller buildings become obsolete and worn out.

Hotel Construction

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vestment in land, labor, building material and equipment often runs into millions of dollars. Every day of delay means a heavy loss to the owners for interest and deferred profits—perhaps as much as $500.00 per day. Therefore, premiums are usually offered the builder for completion in advance of the date set in the contract and penalties imposed for every day’s delay beyond that date.

The apartment hotel has become a fixed feature of modern city life and the erection of these buildings continues on an increasing scale. Reference is made to some recent developments in these buildings in an article on apartment buildings which is printed elsewhere in this issue.
Fine Architecture and Equipment for Apartment House Dwellers

More Light—More Air—More Conveniences is the Slogan of Designers and Builders of Apartment Buildings and Apartment Hotels

Better and more luxurious apartment buildings are being built than ever before. Former standards of design and construction have changed and changed for the better. True, rentals have increased heavily but much greater comfort and luxury are being provided in return. The apartment house of the narrow light court, with inadequate sunshine and fresh air, is passing. In fact, the modern apartment house is as carefully studied for orientation as a hospital. The buildings are usually designed in the shape of an "L" or a "U." A great many bay windows are provided. Courts are large enough for lawns and flowers. Usually wings are designed with only sufficient width for single suites, so that the summer breezes may find their way through. The more de luxe type is of fireproof construction and occasionally has two-story living rooms, with galleries at the second floor level, leading to bedrooms.

The building of co-operative apartment buildings continues at an ever-increasing rate because they offer the tenant-owner a fine investment, extra comforts and conveniences and a maintenance cost well below the rental level. Many of these co-operatives are being erected in the better neighborhoods where ground values are high. The present trend is to offset high building and realty costs by revenue-producing features. This is leading to the erection of many semi-co-operative buildings with the lower floors arranged in small kitchenette apartments, for lease. In such buildings, the larger suites occupied by tenant-owners are located on the upper floors. The idea has been carried even farther in some cases, with the lower floors devoted to a sort of European hotel of the better class, with rooms rented on a transient basis.

Typical of the high class, modern apartment building is the recently completed semi-co-operative building known as 3530 Sheridan Road, Chicago. From the windows of this splendid thirteen-story building, there is an unobstructed view of Lake Michigan.

This Thirteen-Story Structure Is the Very Latest Type of Luxurious Semi-Co-operative Apartment Building and Is Located on Chicago's Most Fashionable Drive. It is known as 3530 Sheridan Road and looks out over the Waters of Lake Michigan. Risman and Hirschfeld, Architects.
view of Lake Michigan, looking over and beyond one of the Lincoln Park lagoons. It is of steel, frame, fire-resistant construction throughout, with concrete floors. The main doors to each suite are steel sheathed and set in steel cased frames.

A large section of this building has been set aside by the tenant-owners for lease. These leases produce a handsome revenue which greatly reduces the operating expense of the building and provides the tenant-owners with fine living quarters at low cost. Or it may be regarded, in another way, as an unusually profitable investment for the tenant-owners.

Four passenger and three service elevators of the latest push-button type are operated by attendants. There are forty owned suites of six and seven rooms and 120 suites of four and five-room size for lease. The property on which the building stands is worth about $2,000.00 a front foot and the sale price to the owners is $3,350,000 for building and land.

A ball room, with attached refreshment kitchen,
Modern Apartments

Small Compact Kitchens Are Provided with Every Modern Convenience, Including Iceless Refrigeration and Running Ice Water. A kitchen cabinet is just out of sight at the right, flanking the entrance from the dining room. Note the ample provision of shelving and compartments visible.

bathroom thresholds and sills are of marble. All walls in the entire building are canvased except closets. One enters the apartment through a wide and spacious gallery, softly lighted by the rich glow from side bracket lamps, connecting the drawing room with the dining room.

All of these rooms being very large, airy and of almost old world proportions, form a magnificent suite for enter-
taining the “honored guest.” Perfect temperature is main-
tained by the use of a vacuum heating system with modu-
lating valves. All woods and all metal fixtures throughout the building are solid and genuine.

This building has such a favorable location and is so well planned and built that the promoters expect the rental revenue to repay the purchase price and the interest on the loan, thus providing the forty tenant-owners with free living quarters.

The number of apartment hotels in the large cities has

Reception Room of the Vernon Manor Apartments, Cincinnati, Ohio. Note the deep window embrasures, the beautiful period furniture and the fine plaster ornamentation.
Exterior View of the "Vernon Manor," a Particularly Fine Apartment Hotel in Cincinnati. Note the extensive grounds, U-shape, towers and terra cotta ornamentation of this splendid building. Samuel Hannaford & Sons, Architects; Garber & Woodward, Associate Architects.

been steadily increasing and now forms a very considerable item in the annual building program. These are of two general types—the furnished and unfurnished apartment hotel. Hall service only is given. Some of these apartment hotels are being built on the co-operative plan. The "Marlborough," on Lincoln Park West, Chicago, is a good illustration of a co-operative hotel, the tenant-owners occupying the front suites and the others being leased on the apartment hotel basis.

The Lake Shore Drive Hotel, at 181 Lake Shore Drive, is one of Chicago's finest and most modern apartment hotels. The suites are all furnished. It has a beautifully decorated and equipped public dining room with arched windows, period furniture, elaborate lighting fixtures and expensive window drapes. The main lobby is decorated in Italian Renaissance effects and the lounge on the eighteenth floor is sumptuously furnished and decorated. A silken canopy of apricot colored silk softens the illumination from the skylight and a promenade around the entire building commands bird's-eye views of lake and city.

The "Surf" is another of Chicago's large and luxurious apartment hotels, in which there are a number of kitchenette apartments. Several views of these are shown herewith.
Progress in Education Transforms American Schools
Expenditures for New School Buildings and Equipment Are Increasing Every Year, to Meet Progressive American Ideas

It is natural that there should be a continual betterment in all classes of buildings, but in none has it been so pronounced, so radical and so rapid as in school buildings. It might be said that a "wave" of school rebuilding has swept over the land. And in that first sweep it left a good many high spots to be reached later. In fact, the truth seems to be that any school not built within the last seven or eight years is hopelessly "out of date" and unfitted for the most modern educational methods. This means, of course, that the already great activity in school building will still further increase.

The main difference between the old school buildings and the new has been best described by Mr. William B. Ittner, of St. Louis, one of America's leading school architects. The old style of school building he describes as the "closed type" and the modern as the "open type." In this respect, there is a resemblance between hospital buildings and school buildings—larger sites and more extended orientation for light and air.

A good deal of the change in methods, buildings and equipment is probably due to the influence of the universities. Athletics—in and out-doors—has been a prominent feature of college life; so the high schools have adopted the gymnasium, the swimming pool and the campus or athletic field. And the grade schools are not far behind. They, too, have their school games and need gymnasiums. The class play, the class party, commencement exercises and occasions when it is desired to assemble and address the entire school, create a need for school auditoriums.

Then, too, the modern school is essentially a community center. Lectures and entertainments are frequently held there. Parents are taking a more active part in conducting school affairs. Parent-teachers' associations have been organized in hundreds of school districts and this movement has led to the planning of community rooms in most new high school buildings and will probably also become one of the grade school features.

Modern parents are not content to leave the education of their children entirely in the hands of teachers and school boards. They have stepped in closer, as it were, and become a more active factor in educational and hygienic matters. Parents are becoming convinced that there is something wrong with a school from which their children are continually bringing home colds and contagious diseases. More attention is being paid to cleanliness and hygiene. Shower baths are installed in many of the modern schools and there are trained nurses in attendance.
Another factor in the elaboration of school buildings is the progress toward practical and scientific training—such as domestic science, manual training, business training, etc. Most

Here, in the Girls’ Sewing Room, a Training in Needle Work Is Given More Thorough Than the Average Home Training. In addition to work tables and sewing paraphernalia, this room is completely equipped with sewing machines.

This Exterior View of the Dundee Community High School Shows That It Is of Average Size. The architects, J. G. and Ralph Llewellyn, have provided a building with the latest educational features, but one which could be built at the minimum cost.

Domestic Science Is Taught in Most High Schools. This room in the Dundee School is well equipped with enamel-topped tables, and cabinets, gas plates, sinks, etc. Note the alcove dining room which is intended for training purposes only. Many schools also have an extensive cafeteria, usually run by professionals, for student lunches.

This View Shows the Chemical Laboratory of the School, Which Has Sufficient Equipment for Experimental Chemistry as Taught Here. Delicate scales and similar equipment are stored in the cabinet at the left.

modern schools have domestic science rooms, sewing rooms, manual training rooms, physical and chemical laboratories, also business training rooms, in addition to the regular class rooms. Perhaps the most successful feature of manual training is the woodworking shop and students now taking these courses will find the training of great benefit in later life, particularly in the building field. The equip-

This is the Community Room of the Dundee School for Parent-Teachers’ Meetings and Similar Uses. This room, while simple in its appointments, presents an inviting and cheery appearance. Community clubs are usually allowed the free use of such rooms in most cities.

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A Well Designed Private Garage Makes the Home Complete

Almost Every American Home Needs a Garage and Garage Construction Is One of the Most Important Items in the Annual Building Program

So widespread is the use of the automobile that practically every American home needs a garage. This is well indicated by the important place—from the standpoint of both number and value—which the private garage has assumed in the national building program.

A garage is no longer merely a detached building but a permanent and important adjunct of the house itself. Its design should harmonize with the house design in such a manner as to produce a pleasing group effect. It does not require to be a small replica of the house in order to harmonize with it. But, often certain outstanding features of the house design can be reproduced to advantage in the garage. For instance, if the house has very wide eaves, wide eaves on the garage will harmonize. If the house is of painted wood frame construction, the garage had best be of a similar construction and color. The same is true of brick, stone, stucco or any other building materials. The roof covering on the garage should also match that on the house. These things are essential to cause the house and garage to appear as a group, rather than as separate buildings without relation to each other.

If the lot on which house and garage stand is of such shape and size as to allow it, the garage driveway will add to the appearance of the grounds if curved, rather than straight, and this also lends itself well to a return route so essential where delivery trucks use the driveway, or to a turning space so that cars can be backed out of the garage on a short turn, allowing for a forward drive instead of an awkward back drive all the way to the street.

Probably the most important features of any convenient garage are its doors, and the manner in which they are opened, held, closed and locked. In selecting the type of doors to be used, the location of the garage and its relation to street or alley, as well as its size, must be taken into consideration. Are the doors to slide—to slide and fold—to swing out or fold in? If a garage gives directly upon an alley, it is, not wise to have the doors hinged to swing outward, and in some cities, it is forbidden by
A Garage for Every Home

doors which sag and drag are equally as much a nuisance as those which are insecurely held and blow shut just as you are about to drive in.

The correctly designed modern garage door presents an attractive appearance and the glazing in the upper portion is useful and ornamental as well.

Sliding garage doors and sliding-folding doors of several types are on the market—some of them quite ingenious in their operation. Straight parallel sliding doors are often used on two-car garages. These doors depend from hangers which roll on parallel tracks, passing each other so that one can be open at a time.

Sliding-folding doors usually consist of a number of narrow doors hinged together and sliding on track hangers. These are usually arranged in threes or fours for the width of a single car. Thus, a two-car garage would have six or eight of those hinged, sliding doors. Doors of this type are easy to handle and require but little effort to open or close. In the three-door arrangement, one of the narrow doors is sometimes hinged separately. This is first opened and then the two-door unit slides and folds back. When arranged in fours, it is usual to have two two-door units slide and fold to right and left.

One arrangement which is very convenient in some garages on account of its space-saving features and the full clearance which it gives is the door which slides around at right angles inside the garage. Still another is counter-weighted and lifts up like a roll-top desk.

Good foot-bolts and sockets are quite important to real garage security and convenience.

A turntable in the garage approach has been found convenient where the grounds and approach are of such a nature as to prevent an easy and natural turn. Such turntables are on the market and are surprisingly easy and convenient to operate.

Adequate lighting—both daylight and artificial—is important to the usefulness and convenience of a garage. A supply of running water is also advisable. To heat or not to heat is a moot question, but every year more garages are heated. Certainly, if the owner or his chauffeur expect to do adjusting and repair work in the home garage, it is almost a necessity. A variety of garage heaters are now procurable—from coal and wood stoves to gas and electricity. The gas hot water heater is quite popular, also the gas-steam radiator.

The electric door-opener, so far, has been mainly used in commercial garages and repair shops where there is frequent traffic.
It is a pathetic sight to see a man in a rented house—or worse yet, in a city apartment—trying to give vent to the natural impulse to build something, and afraid of what the owner or janitor will say!

Take radio, for instance. At a guess there are about fifty million radio fans, large and small, in the United States at the present time. Each has his own idea about how a set should be coupled up and how the aerial should be built.

The roof aerial!—ah, that's the trouble. There have been in the last year probably more fights with the landlord or the janitor over roof aerials than any other one thing. You go up onto the roof of a rented house with all good intentions for anchoring one end of an aerial, or for putting up a pair of towers, and the first thing you know the landlord or the janitor calls you down. Claims you are breaking the shingles and making leaks in the roof. Says he doesn't like the looks of your aerial, anyway.

To those living in apartment buildings it is even worse. The roof is covered with aerials, every fellow trying to get his up the highest so that he can get the best reception. The roof is a jungle of wires until the owner or the janitor gets mad and tears them all down.

Now the man in his own home has freedom of action to do as he likes. A man's house is his castle; and if he wants to put up an aerial on his roof, it is his own business.

Every normal boy has the instinct to hammer and to build. This should be encouraged. It is the real creative instinct. It is a good investment in the home to provide a little workshop where the boys, and their dad as well, can build things. It is hard to do this in a rented house and next to impossible in a city flat.

There is another instinct which is just as deeply rooted as the creative instinct. Man is a product of the soil which always has and still does furnish him with the means of living. Everyone knows the desire to own some portion of the earth's surface, no matter how small, which he can call his own. Down under the surface of even the most hardened city dweller there is the desire to plant something and watch it grow. For the family that owns its home, this instinct is easily gratified and results in beautifying the grounds which are the setting of the home.

But what of the apartment house dweller and the occupant of the rented house? With the apartment there simply is no such thing as a yard. It does not exist. With the rented house the case is little better. There may be a yard of a sort; but of what use is it? Do you suppose the landlord will stand for your digging around, making gardens, planting shrubs or trees or any of the other things you may be inspired to experiment with? It is not likely; and even if he will, what is the use?

When moving day comes you may have to get out and leave all your pet rose bushes behind for someone else. Shrubbery, trees and lawns take time to grow and develop to their best; and watching them grow is half the pleasure. There is not much incentive to do these things if you do not know whether you are going to be there to get the benefit of them.

How different it is for the family that owns a home. There is an old joke, which reappears each spring in the daily papers, about the commuter on his way home with a new rake, a bag of grass seed and under his arm a book on raising radishes. But the joke isn't on the commuter after all. The real joke is on the man shut up in a city apartment where the only grass is a small plot completely surrounded by cement walk and wire fence and guarded by a large "Keep Off the Grass" sign.

When you own your own home how simple it is to fix up a shop in the basement or in the attic or back in the garage! When you own your own home you can have a yard where you may dig to your heart's content with no one to tell you you are injuring the property. Freedom of action is what the home owner possesses and enjoys, and it is worth a lot of money!
The INVERNESS

An English type home of charm and distinction, containing six rooms. Notice the unusual stairway opening off the big living-room. Color sketch to right illustrates bathroom with combined tub and curtained shower.


The Pony Express of the Early 80's
The INTERVALE

A DELIGHTFUL design featuring the low eaves and prominent gables of the English cottage. Six rooms and bath, besides the big sunroom are provided. Color sketch to left shows a stairhall similar to this but in a larger house.

British Retreat from Lexington, April 19, 1775
The INDEPENDENCE

A DUPLEX or double house. Five rooms and bath on a side. The main entrance is shared in common, but otherwise each family has its complete privacy. Color sketch to right suggests attractive furnishing for bedroom.

The Deportation of the Acadians
A ROSE trellis around a group of windows with a pergola treatment above, makes a beautiful, homey detail that is decidedly worth building. Perhaps you can get your roses to grow like these!
Here is an inviting spot where the beauties of nature have been given a graceful arrangement and a suitable background. The Winged Victory is the central feature of this garden.

The pergola in the background of this rose garden invites you to stop and rest and enjoy the flowers. Two rose arbors placed in line with the central arch of the pergola shelter this garden together very effectively.
The IDAVILLE

POPULAR Western bungalow design with wide cornice and exposed rafters. Seven rooms and bath. Half of the big front porch is enclosed for a sunroom. Color sketch to left suggests good furnishings for this sunroom.

Gen. Custer's last stand June 1876
The IBERIA

A HOUSE design from Old Mexico suggestive of the Cliff Dwellers. The walled-in garden back of the living-room and the big roof balcony are features of this design. Color sketch to right shows glimpse of living-room.

Battle of the Alamo, 1833
**The IDLEWILD**
Five rooms. Size 24 by 42 feet.

**The IDALIA**
Five rooms and sunparlor. Size 24 by 47 feet.

**KITCHEN**

**Living Room**

**The INGLENOOK**
Three rooms with five-room efficiency. Size 24 by 42 feet.

**The IVONDALE**
Five rooms. Size 24 by 41 feet, 6 inches.
The INWOOD
Six rooms and sunporch.
Size 22 by 48 feet.

The ITASCA
Five rooms.
Size 22 by 36 feet.

The IVY
Five rooms.
Size 24 by 32 feet.

The IOLA
Five rooms and screened porch.
Size 24 by 48 feet, 6 inches.
The INDIANHILL

A CHARMING English cottage with seven rooms and sunporch. A well liked feature is the maid's room at the front, convenient for answering the door. The sunporch projection gives an impression of width to what would be otherwise a narrow appearing house. Color sketch to left shows a glimpse of the living-room.
The INGOMAR

A STRIKING Spanish design containing three bedrooms, large living-room, dining-room, kitchen, reception hall and central patio with fountain. Size overall 44 by 51 feet. Color sketch to right shows appropriate furnishings for the dining-room.

May 1541—De Soto Discovers the Mississippi River
The "Thrift Cottage" of a Seattle Department Store Displays
THE circle beaded plastered arch is very much favored today by architects and interior decorators.

these Authentic Home Furnishings in this very attractive way.
The IROQUOIS

A SUBSTANTIAL Colonial home of brick construction, containing nine rooms on the first and second floors. Color sketch to left shows living-room fireplace with double doors each side into the sunporch.

Gen. Braddock's Defeat, July 8, 1755
The IVANHOE

An English design of character, containing eight rooms. The big, open porch off the living-room and dining-room, with brick arch balancing the entrance is a feature of this design. Color sketch to right illustrates a well furnished bedroom.
The INGRAM

The main part of this English cottage measures 24 by 28 feet, six inches, and contains six fine rooms. Then to give the house breadth the sunporch is added to one end and the downstairs bedroom balances this on the other. Color sketch to left shows kitchen with built-in cases.

Signing the Compact on the "Mayflower" Nov. 11, 1620
WHAT a wide range of choice is offered the architect, builder, designer or specification writer in planning any type of building, from the simplest home to the most costly cathedral or "sky-scraper"! And yet how few designers take full advantage of this choice and consider the whole range of material and equipment which is offered. Of course, it is easier to stick to well established methods and the commoner materials and equipment. But no one planning a building should ignore progress. The world moves and evolution is going on all the time. To merely "keep in the rut" and repeatedly specify about the same materials and equipment without studying all possibilities would put a stop to progress.

On the contrary, architects, builders and designers have shown progressive tendencies and a desire to keep abreast of all developments in the building field. It is with this thought in mind that AMERICAN BUILDER offers a comprehensive and carefully prepared checking and reference list. It is a complete compendium of building material and equipment.

You are invited to make full use of this list—to test its helpfulness for yourself. You will be surprised at its suggestive value. Even though you are well posted, it is sure to bring to mind something which might have been overlooked—put before you alternative features not before considered. And if it does not, you will have the satisfaction of knowing that your work has been 100 per cent and that nothing has been overlooked.

Even the prospective owner of a new home has much to gain from a careful examination of this list. It will surely be a revelation to him and put before him possibilities which he had not before considered.

In order to give the greatest practical value to this reference feature, we are showing completely classified at the back of the book various sources of supply where this material and equipment can be secured. For instance, take the item of sash and doors; you may find certain special types of sash—steel or wood, casement or double hung—which you would like to investigate. By turning to the classified list at the back of the book you will find under "Window Sash" a list of manufacturers of both wood and steel sash with a reference to their catalog pages in this special reference number of the AMERICAN BUILDER.

And to still further supplement this service, you may write to AMERICAN BUILDER for information desired in regard to any material not fully described in our pages or for any sources of supply not included in the classified list. You will be advised by mail where such material or equipment can be secured and any information or details which are obtainable.

The building industry, as a whole, owes a great deal of its progress to those manufacturers who have perfected and made available these many items of material and equipment used in the nation's buildings. They have shown themselves on the side of progress. They have led the way and have frequently risked large investments of capital to bring out improvements and to educate architects and builders to their advantages.

Modern tendencies require more complete equipment in the home in order to add comforts and conveniences as well as to make housekeeping pleasant and attractive. By including all these items of complete modern equipment in the original plans and estimates, their value can be included in the original building loan. This simplifies the financial problem for the home owner and budgets his complete requirements in with the house payment or payments.
## FOUNDATIONS

- Anchor Bolts
- Anti-Freeze Compounds
- Common Brick
- Portland Cement
- Cement—White
- Crushed Rock
- Bag
- Lumber
- Metal Forms
- "Ideal" Wall
- Gravel
- Lime
- Limestone
- Reinforcing Steel

## WATERPROOFING AND DAMP PROOFING

- Brick Waterproofing
- Integral Cement Waterproofing
- Asphalt for Hot Mopping
- Lime Waterproofing
- Waterproof Membrane—Asphalt Saturated
- Waterproof Cement Coating
- Paint and Compounds
- Floor Hardening Compounds
- Calcium Chloride
- Reinforcing Steel
- Reinforcing Wire Fabric
- Concrete Bond

## FRAMING

- White Pine
- California White Pine
- Southern Pine
- Spruce
- Idaho White Pine
- North Carolina Pine
- Ponderosa Pine
- Fir
- Hemlock
- Larch
- Steel Structural Shapes
- Steel Lumber
- Roof Trusses—Steel
- Planks and Bars
- Steel Rivets
- Steel Lintels
- Wood Columns
- Steel Structural
- Bridging, Floor and Roof, Wood
- Bridging, Floor and Roof, Steel

## WALLS, CEILINGS AND PARTITIONS

- Anchor Bolts
- Architectural Iron Work
- Bronze Ornaments
- Concrete
- Granite
- Marble
- Marble—Artificial Limestone

## Type of Frame Colonial Home.

- Portland Cement Mortar
- Bricklayers' Cement
- Brick Venner Base (Wood Lath and Insulation Combined)

## STUCCO

- Gypsum
- Lime
- Magnesite
- Portland Cement
- Stucco Pebble Dash
- Waterproofed

## PLASTERS

- Asbestos
- Gypsum
- Plaster of Paris
- Magnesite
- Lime
- Knes' Cement
- Plaster Bonds, Bituminous

**For Sources of Supply, See Classified Index, Pages 460 to 496**
BUILDERS' HARDWARE

Plaster Fibre
Gypsum Plaster Board
Clips for Plaster Board
Base Screens
Base Bead
Rib Lath

CORK BALE
Composition
Cork
Cork Composition
Metal
Quarry Tile
Rubber
Slate
Terrazzo
Tile

Patching Blocks—Rubber
Corner or Wall Beads
Corner Beads for Metal Lath
Angles—Expanded Metal
Angles—Iron and Steel
Greens for Metal Base
Spot grounds
Copper Alloy Sheets

WOOD BOARD
Wood Fiber
Enamel Tiled
Fibre Board—Processed
Gypsum and Fibre Board
Case Fiber
Plasterboards
Wood and Gypsum
Wall Board Fasteners—Self-Clamping

TILE—FLOOR AND WALL
Bath Room Interior Trim
Ceramic
Enamelled Metal
Gypsum
Mastic
Mosaic
Marble
Marble—Vitreous
Sanitaries
Glazed Faience
Terrazzo
Fibre Wall
Hollow—Back-Up and Partition
Cinder Back-Up and Partition
Concrete
Exteriors
Fireproofing
Lead Bearing
Paving
Glazed
Rubber Floor
Rubber Walnut
Rubber Pl:left Blocks
Rubber Cove Base
Rubber Strip Flooring
Cork
Cork Composition
Fibre Floor
Flashing Blocks
Vitrified Clay
Coping Tiles—Vitrified Clay
Coping Tile—Cinder Concrete

LUMBER
Cedar
Pine
Fir
White Fir
Hemlock
California White Pine
Idaho White Pine
North Carolina Pine
Larch
Ponderosa Pine
Spruce
Birch

Gum
Walnut
Oak
Mahogany
American
Cedars
Creosoted
Steels
Battens—Wood
Battens—Metal
Metal Corners
Calking Compounds
Wall Brackets

STEEL
Metal
Plaster
Suspension
Sheet
Studding Sockets
Store Pipe Thimbles

BUILDERS' HARDWARE

Anchors—Building
Area Grates
Awning Equipment
LOCKS
Master Keys and Latches—Mortise Cylinder

Type of Spanish Stucco Home.

Fire Exit, Panic
Metal Latch
Toggles and Anchor
Expansion
Spring
Wallboard
Expansion Screw Anchors
Brick Bonds
Expansion Shields
Expansion Shells

Porch Sash

HANGERS
Adjustable Screen and Storm Sash
Beam Brackets
Parlor or House
Accordian Folding
Siding—Partitions
Basement Window
Screen
Adjustable Sash and Screen
Storm Sash
Shutter

Doors

Front Door
Corridor, Room and Closet Door
Communicating Door
Siding Door
Cabinet
Flush Rim
Knob
Dead
Dead
Circular Mortise
Pedestals
Screen Door Latches
Vertical Latches
Secret Gate Latches
Night Latches
Lever Bolt Plate
Hinges

Blind and Shutter
Bronze
Brons
Brass
Steel
Steel Spring
Full Surface
Full Surface Spring
Half Surface
Half Surface Spring
Pivot—Ball Bearing
Pivot, Ball Bearing, Spring
Spring First—Detachable
Snap and "T"

Floor—Spring
Screen or Storm Sash

BOLTS

Bolts and Nuts

Sash Lifts
Sash Operators
Sash Holders
Sash Locks
Sash Weights
Sash Cord
Screen and Transom Chain
Screen and Storm Sash Fasteners
Sash Supports
Sash Balances—Spring
Sash and Transom Centers
Transom Chains
Transom Hardware
Transom Lifts
Transom Ventilators
Cabinet Door Sets
Casement Window Adjusters
Casement Window Pivot Hinge and Adjuster Combined
Casement Window Sash Lifts Butts
Casement Window Siding—Folding
Adjusters
Casement Window Subsills—Casement or Vertical
Casement Window Subsills—Pocketed, Storm-Proof
Window Catches
Window Locks—Automatic
Check Rail and Ventilator
Casement Window Checks
Cupboard and Transom Catches
Casement Window Fasteners
Cabinet Covers
Door Closers
Door Escutcheons
Door Guards

Door Knockers
Door Stops
Door Knobs
Door Latches
Door Plates—76"1 Beard
Door Pulls
Door Bells
Door Springs
Knobs and Push Plates
Metal Screw Holes
Garment Carriers
Cloth Door Fixtures
Door Holders
Drawer Fixtures
Screen Door Sets
Wall Anchors
Wall Plates
Wall Tiles
Wall Fittings
Glazing Points
Jail Anchors
Two Anchors
Storm Sash Fasteners
Storm Sash Hangers
Tile Hooks
Strap Anchors
Post Bases
Post Caps
Shelf Brackets
Shelf Supports—Adjustable

NAILS
Copper
Bronze
Galvanized
Zinc Coated
Concrete Coated

Cut

Roofing
Slating
Rods—Copper
Sheet and Rolled Copper
Rivets—Copper
Rivets—Steel

EXTERIOR MILLWORK

Exhaust
Storm Ventilators—Wood
Colonades
Columns, Wood—Lock Joint
Columns—Metal
Pergolas, Posts, Caps and Bases
Capitals—Carved Stone
Capitals—Composite
Travertine
Wood Louvers
Wood Benches
Porch Rails
Porch Spindles
Porch Bases

Shutters

CABINET WORK, FLOORS AND TRIM

Flooring
Larch
Pine
California White Pine
Spruce
Cherry
Oak
Maple
Birch
Beech
Red Gum

For Sources of Supply, See Classified Index, Pages 460 to 496
**Private Dwellings—Continued**

**FLOORING—Continued**
- Magnesia
- Parquetry
- Pre-Finished Oak
- Charcoal
- Cement
- Composition
- Cork Composition
- Fireproof
- Floor Lath
- Bath Room Floor Reinforcement
- Linoleum
- Magnesite
- Sanitary
- Slate
- Rubber Flooring
- Slate Reinforcing
- Slate Tile

**PAYMENTS—Continued**
- Magnesia Parquetry
- Pre-Finished Oak
- Canvas Cement
- Composition Cork
- Composition Fireproof
- Door Frames
- Window Casings—Wood
- Window Casings—Steel Metal
- Window Frames
- Weatherstrips—Metal
- Weatherstrips—Fabric
- Weatherstrips—Wood and Felt
- Window Frames, Cellar—Wood
- Window Frames, Cellar—Steel
- Window Units, Wood—Double Hung
- Window Units, Wood—Box Head and Inset Screen Combination

**WINDOWS**
- Basement—Steel
- Basement—Wood
- Casement—Solid Nickel—Silver
- Casement—Solid Bronze or Steel
- Casement, Wood
- Cottage—Wood
- Cottage—Wood
- Double Hung
- Dormer and Bay—Steel
- Dormer and Bay—Wood
- Garage Windows—Steel
- Hollow Metal
- Leaded Glass
- Pivots
- Puttyless
- Reversible, Side or Vertical, Pivoted—Steel
- Reversible, Side or Vertical, Pivoted—Wood
- Pivoted Wood

**WINDOW GLASS**
- Sheet
- Crystal Sheet
- Chipped Glass
- Ground Glass
- Lead Glass
- Plate
- Prism Glass
- Art Glass
- Wire Glass

**SASH**
- Counterbalanced
- Storm
- Basement, Wood
- Sash Chain—Flat Steel and Steel Wire
- Sash Cord

**SCREENS**
- Casement
- Door and Window—Wood Frame
- Combination Screens and Window Units
- Awnings and Screens
- Steel Sash, Pivot
- Roller Window
- Revolving
- Rewindable
- Metal Frame

**WIRE CLOTH**
- Antique or Golden
- Bronze
- Pearl
- Galvanized Steel
- Steel, Enamelled

**WEATHERSTRIPS**
- Metal
- Wood and Felt
- Copperized Fabric
- Shutter Workers
- Shutters—Wood
- Sliding Door Track
- Sliding Partition Hangers
- Caulking and Glassing Compound
- Elastic Glassing Composition

**ROOFINGS, INSULATING MATERIALS AND BUILDING PAPERS**
- Reinforced Concrete Slabs
- Tile
- Finials
- Terminals
- French Metal Tile
- Spanish Metal Tile
- Barned
- Copper Tile
- Clay or Terra Cotta
- Glass Roof Tile
- Vitrified French
- English Shingles
- Straight Barrel Mission Spanish

**Square Type Brick Home.**

Jamb—Steel
Kick Plates—Brass

**SASH AND DOORS**

**DOORS**
- Hardwood
- Softwood
- Exterior
- Exterior Glassed
- Horizontal Folding
- Interior
- Veneered
- Paned
- Raised
- Flush
- Rolling
- Rolling Partitions
- Metal
- Wood and Asbestos
- Metal Covered
- Metal—Cellar
- Screen
- Storm
- Bronze
- Flair—Metal
- Sliding
- Folding
- Hollow Metal
- Steel Window Units
- Veneered
- Tin Clad
- Slab Flush Doors
- Transoms
- Transom Steel—Steel

**THRESHOLDS**
- Metal
- Slate
- Wood
- Threshold and Weatherstrip Combination
- Cedar Sash Frames
- Door Frames
- Window Casings—Wood
- Window Casings—Steel Metal
- Window Frames
- Weatherstrips—Metal
- Weatherstrips—Fabric
- Weatherstrips—Wood and Felt
- Window Frames, Cellar—Wood
- Window Frames, Cellar—Steel
- Window Units, Wood—Double Hung
- Window Units, Wood—Box Head and Inset Screen Combination

For Sources of Supply, See Classified Index, Pages 460 to 496
Bee

Shingle Type Dutch Colonial.

Bevel Flax Straw Fiber
Bevel Flax Straw Fiber, covered with 6-inch asbestos, each side
Bevel Flax Straw Fiber, covered on one side with waterproof paper and beveled wood lath
Fiberglass Board
Gypsum Concrete
Gypsum and Fibre Board Combined
Red Building Paper
Insulating Lumber
Insulating Paper
Black Building Paper (waterproof)
Asphalt Saturated Craft Paper
Reinforced with Blue Fibre
Sea Grass, matted, stitched between layers of canvas paper
Wood Pulp Board Plaster Base
Cane Fiber Board
Hair sewed between two layers of paper
Magnesia Pipe Covering
Magnesia Pipe Covering—Air Cooled
Paper Pulp Board, keyed for plaster base
Beveled Lath mounted on chemically treated cardboard
Plaster and Paper in alternate layers
Flax Straw Fiber stitched between layers of canvas paper
Wood Fiber between two layers of canvas paper
Mineral Wool

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Cast
Pressed Steel
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Bottoms
Covers
VALVES
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Quarter-Turn
Dampers
Graduated or Modulation
Vacuum, Air, Vent
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Air Line Return
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White Cedar
Cypress
Redwood
Hemlock
Shingles for Dipped
Asphalt—Rock Surfaced
Asphalt—Blended Colors
Twin
Giant Twin
Four-In-One
Asbestos Cement
Asbestos Asphalt
Cement
Zinc
Metal
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Ready Roll—Rock Surfaced
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Asbestos-Asphalt Composition
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  - Roofers
  - Silicone
  - Shellac and Substitutes
  - Lacquer
  - Fillers, Wood
  - Filler
  - Varnish

- **Stains**
  - Acetic
  - Oil
  - Spirit
  - Varnish
  - Shellac and Substitutes
  - Lacquer
  - Fillers, Wood
  - Filler
  - Varnish

- **Private Dwellings**

  **TANKS**
  - Fumeatic Water Heaters
  - Oil
  - Wood
  - Water Softeners
  - Water Supply Systems

  **Plumbing, Pipe Fitting, Bath Room and Laundry Fixtures**
  - Tube, Metal—BATHROOM TUBS/TUBS
  - Built-In
  - Faucets
  - Valves
  - Sink Fixtures

- **Miscellaneous**
  - Auditing Gages
  - Coppers—Cotton
  - Auditing Stripes
  - Baited Rods
  - Catch Baskets
  - Chutes, Dryers
  - Cloth, Cord
  - Cushions, Curials, Gas
  - Chutes, Coal
  - Collapsers—Built-In
  - Lavatories, Metal, Enamelled
  - Expansion Shields
  - Exhaust Stools
  - Bath Room Accessories
  - Fixtures, Shower Bath
  - Shelving, Bath Room—Traps, Bath
  - Valves, Ceramic, Metal—
  - Copper, Brass, Nickel
  - Sinks
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  - Strainers, Floor Drain
  - Laundry Tubs
  - Tub and Sinks, Combination
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  - Pipe
  - Brass
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  - Zinc

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  - Steel
  - Wood
  - Windows
  - Metal
  - Iron

- **Refrigerators**
  - For Sale
  - For Rent
  - Complete
  - Used

- **Lighting**
  - Systems
  - Electric

- **Garages**
  - Electric

- **Stainless Steel**
  - Furniture

- **Lighting Fixtures**
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In the Realm of Moving Pictures
Palatial Buildings Pay

Public Patronage Won by Safe, Luxurious Buildings, with Fine Finish, Equipment and Decorations

When any of the stars of Hollywood are to entertain, the pictures are shown nowadays amid luxurious surroundings. Modern management finds it profitable to utilize to the full the skill of architect, engineer, builder and decorator. The standards of today are far beyond those of even a few years ago and it is natural to ask—how much farther can luxury go? Lobbies of marble with lofty vaulted ceilings, graceful columns, arches, ornamental plaster work and beautiful paintings greet the theater-goer.

Easy ramps or short flights of stairs lead to mezzanine or balcony. In the auditorium, beautiful chandeliers, lighting effects, painting and decoration, together with broad aisles and soft floor coverings, contribute to the feeling of luxury and charm. Lights—music—let the show go on! Not a column intervenes and from every seat there is unimpeded view of stage and screen.

The extremely wide spans in most modern theaters call for skillful engineering. Steel cantilevers or K-trusses support balconies and their many tons of live and dead load. Down in the basement, large volumes of fresh air are being forced into the building, washed, heated, humidified or cooled and blown by fans into the auditorium through tiny mushroom outlets under the seats. Concealed in the ceiling above, exhaust fans and ventilators are removing the vitiated air. Smoking rooms, ladies' rest and toilet rooms—even children's playrooms—are provided and there are luxuriously furnished promenades and lounges in which to while away an intermission.

Many millions of dollars will be spent this year in the construction of theaters and places of amusement in the United States. Estimates vary all the way from $90,000,000 to $136,000,000. No city is too small to have its moving-picture theater and obsolete buildings are rapidly being replaced by ultra-modern structures.

Fire-resistant building material is used throughout. The framing of steel is enclosed by concrete or tile. Stone carving, molded concrete decoration or architectural terra cotta enrich the faces of these buildings and marquees or canopies of ornamental iron work and glass extend from curb to entrance. Mosaic tile, faience, terrazzo and marbles of many kinds beautify theater lobbies.

Out of sight of the audience, but quite important to its comfort, are the swinging ventilators on the roof. These are provided with wind vanes so as to be always turned away from the wind and thus allow free exhaust and ventilation without interference with the heating or cooling systems in the house beneath. These ventilators

One of the Latest Fine Theaters Erected Is This Beautiful "Wisconsin" Theater, Milwaukee, Wis., Designed by C. W. and Geo. L. Rapp, Architects. This view shows the artistic decoration of the auditorium. Note the effect gained by the urn in the side arch backed by velvet drapery.
Notable Theatre Construction

The Beauty of Columns, Vaulted Ceiling, Chandeliers and Plaster Decoration Is Revealed in This View of the Mezzanine at the Head of the Stairway from the Lobby of the "Wisconsin" Theater. Note the detail over the main arch and above the double column capitals seen through the main arch.
Graceful Architectural Line and Ornamentation Mark the Lobby, Stairway and Mezzanine of the "Wisconsin" Theater, Milwaukee, Wis.; Marble and Fine Masonry, Vases, Balustrades, Art Lighting Fixtures and Beauty of Decoration Are Noteworthy. The main arch of this lobby supports the balcony above.
are quite large and from six to a dozen are required on the roof of a good sized theater. Roof coverings are frequently graveled, built-up roofs of asphalt or tar and saturated felts. The roof deck itself may be of concrete, gypsum or some other fireproof material. The use of wooden roof decks over large theaters is not allowed in most cities.

The building industry will continue to profit by the efforts of promoters to outstrip each other in erecting finer theater buildings. As a result, the public is constantly being educated to new standards and theater buildings become obsolete rapidly. There is every evidence that the building of theaters will continue to be active for some time to come.

**Modern School Buildings**

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Modern school buildings, in keeping with the times, is becoming more elaborate and power woodworkers are being included in the most modern installations. A miniature machine shop is often a feature of manual training departments.

One of the best, though not the largest, of the school buildings erected in the last two or three years is the Dundee Community High School Dundee, Ill., which we have selected as typical of a well designed school, economically built but well designed and equipped in the most modern sense. The architects, Joseph G. and Ralph Llewellyn, are noted for successful designs, including all the latest school features, at a minimum of expense. The combined auditorium stage and gymnasium have been particularly well worked out.

**Report on Lumber Standards**

At a general conference of the lumber industry, held at the Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C., a committee reported in favor of continuing the present standard board at 25/32 inch, finished, dry; and the extra standard board at 26/32 inch, for another year. The Forest Products Laboratory, at Madison, Wis., is to study and review the whole subject and report a final composition of the dispute on this subject. The laboratory was advised that it was desirable, if possible, to adopt a single instead of a double standard.

Only minor changes were adopted in lumber standards and an attempt to extend the extra standard sizes was defeated. The study of odd and short lengths is to be continued under a committee of manufacturers, dealers and others interested in an attempt to solve the problem of this material before the next general conference next year.

**Apprentice School for Syracuse**

The latest addition to the list of large cities where courses in the building trades are being offered by the public schools is Syracuse, N.Y. The classes are under the control of employers, union men and the board.
Industrial Buildings Planned for Light and Efficiency

Plant of the E. W. Bliss Company, at Hastings, Michigan, a Model in Many Respects

A FINE industrial building practically enclosed in glass is illustrated herewith. This shows the importance of good daylight as a factor in producing both the best and the most of any manufactured commodity.

Frank D. Chase, the well-known architectural engineer, has achieved a fine looking group of buildings in this Consolidated Press Company plant, now owned by the E. W. Bliss Company, at Hastings, Mich. Glazed white brick were used for that portion of the walls not composed of glass. We doubt if any industrial buildings in the United States have as much daylight provided as in these buildings. Good daylight, of course, allows the workmen to do their work with greater ease and certainty and speeds up production. Steel sash, used most generously, make this fine day-lighting possible. Ventilating sash are installed both at the breathing level and also at the top where they are operated by special controlling devices.

This building is strongly framed of structural steel—a type of construction almost universal in plants devoted to heavy manufacturing. Note the latticed steel columns, cross-braced in every sixth bay to carry the weight of the 50-ton overhead traveling crane. The roof is a wood deck carried on steel angle trusses and covered with built-up composition roofing, graveled for fire protection. The use of a wood deck overcomes the nuisance of condensation and drip in winter common to some types of roofs. On the other hand, roofings of metal, reinforced concrete tile, clay tile, reinforced gypsum, etc., are highly fire-resistant and can be made condensation and drip-proof by proper insulation. Where the product is a poor conductor of heat, as with gypsum, no insulation is necessary.

In designing an industrial plant, an efficient arrangement of departments is essential, so as to prevent lost motion due to bad routing of material and excess handling. What can be accomplished in this line is well illustrated in one of the enormous plants of the Ford Motor Company, near Detroit. Ore delivered at the River Rouge docks on Monday has been cast, machined, assembled and delivered in the form of a finished motor car 300 miles away by Thursday night of the same week. This is only possible by reason of a well arranged plant and the extensive use of conveying machinery.

This Glass Enclosed Assembly and Machine Shop Receives Light from All Sides. The structural steel, which carries heavy loads, is so designed as to produce the minimum light obstruction.

Structural steel, reinforced concrete, brick, concrete masonry and almost every type of building material is used in industrial plants, most of which have office buildings, sheds and warehouses, as well as foundries, machine shops and buildings for manufacture and assembly. The...
Efficient Industrial Buildings

all-steel type of warehouse is coming into increasing use and, of course, is non-inflammable. Often these buildings consist merely of structural steel frames sided and roofed with corrugated or plain sheet steel.

Builders erecting industrial plants need an exceptionally complete equipment of tools and machinery. There is, however, such a complete range of these buildings, in size, type and equipment, that there is work on them for almost every sort of builder and contractor, as well as architect and engineer.

In no other section of the building field is there such a wide variety or so many different types as with industrial buildings. They range from immense plants covering many acres of ground—for instance, a big steel plant—down to a single building, such as a steam laundry. In general, they are divisible into two general divisions—heavy and light manufacturing.

Plants devoted to heavy manufacturing are more generally of what is termed the "fireproof" type of construction. This means, of course, steel framing, reinforced concrete, brick, tile, stone and similar materials. On the other hand, the "mill" type, or slow-burning construction, with heavy timber framing, is also extensively used.

Buildings designed for light manufacturing are often quite large and house a great many employees. The modern tendency is toward better buildings—clean, well lighted, well ventilated, and often with rest and recreation rooms, where both sexes are employed. Tennis courts and playgrounds are sometimes provided and welfare departments organize athletic, musical and other recreational features. Large cafeterias for office and factory help are almost universally installed so that employees may have attractive food at reasonable prices. Extensive kitchen and dining room equipment is, therefore, required.

On account of its highly fire-resistant value, the reinforced concrete type of construction is growing in favor for buildings which house a large number of employees.

Statisticians, this year, are commenting upon the renewed building activity developing in the industrial field. Gauged by the levels of employment reported by the U. S. Department of Labor, the greatest increase in activity is being shown in the following lines: The tobacco industry, the automobile industry, paper box manufacture, newspaper, book and job printing, brick, tile and terra cotta, lumber and millwork, woolens and worsted goods, dyeing and textile finishing, slaughtering and meat packing.

The unprecedented demand in this country for building material and equipment of all kinds has greatly stimulated manufacture.
The Nation's Prosperity Reflected in its Bank Buildings

Many Opportunities for New Bank Building Contracts Exist in Both Large and Small Cities

The banks of the United States are in a prosperous condition and many new bank buildings are being erected. In the large cities, these are quite often skyscrapers with extensive rentable office space. Such structures are more properly classified as office buildings. Many opportunities for contracts on both types of buildings exist in large and small cities throughout the country.

The bank building illustrated herewith—that of the Union Trust and Savings Bank, Dubuque, Iowa,—is typical of the building erected exclusively for bank purposes. In its design, the structure follows the classic lines of the Italian Renaissance, with exterior in matte glaze terra cotta over a base of Minnesota granite. In the design and selection of building material, every effort has been made to make the building thoroughly fireproof.

All the latest improvements for the safe and economical transaction of banking business have been incorporated in the banking quarters and handsome finish and decorations add attractiveness and dignity to the interior. The marble is Italian Bottocino, the metal work of finely wrought bronze, the woodwork American walnut.

Every branch of service known to modern banking and a number of new department features are offered by this up-to-date institution. Among the latter, the management takes pride in a Home Building Plan inaugurated and operated in conjunction with its Savings Department. While this institution at all times financially assisted prospective home owners, something of an effective nature had to be accomplished in order to overcome the shortage of homes existing in Dubuque, as it did throughout the country during the after-war period.

Under this plan, the home builder is required to own a lot and a reasonable amount of cash to apply on building, the balance being furnished by the bank on a first mortgage loan, payable on a monthly installment plan.

The borrower obliges himself to deposit monthly in the Savings Department of the bank not less than one per

Exterior View of the Union Trust and Savings Bank Building, Dubuque, Iowa, Designed by Wesy and Alford, Architects, Chicago.
Main Banking Room of the Union Trust and Savings Bank, Dubuque, Iowa. Note the lofty ceilings, the fine lighting, both daylight and artificial, and the handsome bronze and plaster work. The marble partitions and the tile flooring add permanence and dignity.

cent of the amount of his loan, the bank paying its regular interest rate on such deposits. On January 1st and July 1st, the aggregate of such deposits, together with interest earned, is transferred from savings account onto the loan, the amount of interest being covered first, while balance is applied on principal of loan. The interest payment is reduced at every six months settlement, but the amount applicable on principal is automatically increased every period. The plan has its distinct advantages to both bank and borrower and has proven a boon to several hundred families to date.

Thirteen thousand people are said to have visited this building on its opening day. The design is by Weary and Alford, architects, Chicago, the well-known specialists in bank design.

American Architecture

“EVOLVING an American Domestic Architecture” will be one of the topics at the general sessions of the Realtors’ convention to be held at Detroit, Mich., June 23-26.
Splendid Club Buildings Going Up All Over the Country
Many Fine Structures Planned for Erection This Year

Over five per cent of the national building program is expected to be invested this year in club and fraternal buildings. There will be an average of about a million dollars spent in each of some three hundred cities besides many small clubs throughout the country.

This is a style of building which calls for substantial construction and a great amount of interior finish and decoration. Usually these buildings are of masonry construction with steel for long spans, although quite frequently, in the metropolitan centers, high buildings of this type are erected of structural steel with curtain walls and the buildings equipped with high speed elevator service.

There is usually considerable rich wood paneling in these buildings and ball room floors which must be carefully surfaced. Fine terra cotta, architectural iron work and stone carving embellish the outside of these buildings and the interior fittings and decorations are luxurious. Usually there is a great amount of the finest type of plumbing and fixtures, showers, swimming pools, bowling alleys, billiard and card rooms, gymnasiums, kitchens and dining rooms.

The Racquet Club, Chicago, illustrated on this page, is a fine example of modern clubhouse architecture. Messrs. Rebori, Wentworth and Dewey, the architects, have designed in this structure a beautiful building and one which provides most of the comforts and luxuries of modern club life.

The Elks, as an organization, are erecting or recently have erected club houses in many cities; for instance, in Wichita, Kan.; Philadelphia, Atlantic City, N. J.; Portland, Ore., and other cities. The Masonic order is also quite active in erecting buildings at various points throughout the country. The new Union League Club will be an impressive and finely equipped structure, also the new Standard Club, both in the Loop District of Chicago. The latter has been designed by Albert Kahn, architect, of Detroit.

The new clubhouse for the Pennsylvania Athletic Club at Philadelphia, now under construction, is to cost $3,600,000 and is expected to be ready for occupancy by next November. It is being erected by the Thompson-Starrett Company, well-known builders.

Golf, Tennis and Country Clubs
The great and growing popularity of the game of golf is revealed in the fact that there are now nearly 3,500 golf clubs in the United States. New clubs and buildings are constantly being added. The building of clubhouses for golf, country and tennis
clubs is, therefore, an important item in the annual building budget.

Extensive grounds, courses and landscaping are important features of these clubs, but the buildings themselves are frequently quite extensive and costly, with elaborate equipment and furnishings. Such clubs practically all have dining rooms, grill rooms, kitchens, lounge and billiard rooms, ladies' rooms, locker rooms, showers and, sometimes, swimming pools. Separate caddy shelters are usually provided.

Valeting rooms have drying cabinets, wardrobes and sinks. A separate wing is usually required to house the help, with the kitchen located on the lower floor. Complete equipment of ranges, steamers, steam tables, refrigerators, mixers and beaters, dishwashers and cooking utensils is required.

Inasmuch as golf and country clubs are often in isolated locations, water supply systems with pumps, tanks and filters are frequently necessary. For the same reason, independent sewage disposal systems must be installed, in many cases. In some clubhouses, bedrooms are provided for members' use. In country clubs where riding to hounds is a feature, extensive stables are necessary.

Serious fires have occurred in a number of golf and country club buildings and designers are showing an increasing tendency to use fire-resisting building materials where the appropriation will permit. Walls and roof coverings of a non-inflammable nature are desirable even where wood framing is used and fire fighting apparatus should be installed in every case, including pumps, hydrants and hose, elevated tanks to supply pressure and a liberal supply of chemical fire extinguishers.

Quite a few golf and country clubs are used only during the warm weather season in the North and during the winter season in the South. These are usually of the "bungalow type" and here the fire risk is even greater than in buildings used the year round. It would, therefore, seem logical to use every possible safeguard in these buildings against fire, which may be caused by lightning, spontaneous combustion or intruders.

The question of ventilation in a golf or country club is quite important, in the locker rooms, kitchens, dining rooms and lounges. Ventilating fans can be used to advantage in some of these rooms. Casement windows are quite appropriate for buildings of this type, as they provide the maximum window opening. They should, of course, have satisfactory and durable window adjusters, which will stand hard and frequent service.

Window and door screens are also quite important, to bar the fly and mosquito and to make these clubhouses comfortable during warm weather. Every door and window opening should be screened with the most durable type of screens and wire cloth. When used in the winter, these buildings should be thoroughly weatherstripped with metal or combination weatherstrips.

To those who believe that recreation and outdoor sport are not only pleasant but desirable features of modern life, the large and growing expenditures for grounds, buildings and upkeep of these clubs will seem amply justified. Let us hope that the benefits of these clubs will be extended to an increasing number of our population for wholesome exercise and recreation.

Main Lounge of the Racquet Club, Chicago. The beamed ceiling and wood paneling of this room are certainly very handsome and the furniture is of the substantial, comfortable type, for "solid comfort." This room faces the corner and has good light from windows on both streets.
Cloistered Court a Feature of This Community Church

MAREAN AND NORTON, Architects

A SUMMER auditorium in a cloistered courtyard surrounded by beautiful architecture reminiscent of Lombardy, Italy, is a feature of Denver's popular community church in the Washington Park suburban district. Wings on each side of the main auditorium house the Sunday school and social rooms, while lecture and gymnasium rooms, as well as a kitchen, are located in the basement.

Members of more than seventeen denominations unite in this church in happy co-operation. In fact, it has proven so popular that already the attendance exceeds the accommodations and plans for enlargement are now being drawn.

The structure in design is Lombard Italian with the small dome of the central tower reflecting Arabic influence in Sicily. The exterior is dark red tapestry brick laid with raked back joints. Sills, cloister columns, coping and all other trimmings are terra cotta. The footings and basement floors are cement. Other floors and construction throughout is of frame with steel beams over the auditorium. The roof is shingled.

The ground plan is "L" shaped, one wing housing the Sunday school and the other for social activities, with the church auditorium connecting the two. The main structure is squared out by an arcade which is very much like an old world cloister. The inner court so enclosed may be used as an open-air summer auditorium.

The departmentalized activities of the Sunday school employ a large room in the basement for the primary students, with rooms for the older classes on the main and second floors. The social wing on the ground floor contains a lobby that serves, too, for a library and an informal reception room. The large parlors adjoining are most home-like with their pretty curtains and attractive wicker furniture. One of these has a fireplace. The church office with the adjoining pastor's study is at the end of a short hall on the extreme west side of this wing, the latter connecting with the rostrum of the auditorium. On the second floor are a number of small social rooms and two small apartments for members of the church staff in residence. The basement of the social wing has a large kitchen with what is called a lecture room adjoining.
The Architects Have Planned a Most Convenient Arrangement of Auditorium, Sunday School and Social Rooms.

which serves many purposes. It is in turn a dining room for banquets and social functions, a class room, gymnasium, and used for basket ball games. It is an audience room, too, for the weekly movie program. As the films offered are first class, this feature of the church program draws a large attendance.

The church auditorium which has a seating capacity of about six hundred is a handsome room distinctly Colonial in its simple treatment. The motive is Doric with pilastered walls combined with triple-arched openings two stories in height. The color scheme is pale tan for plastered walls and trim with cherry for pews and railings of altar, rostrum and lobby balconies. The balusters of these railings are painted an ivory tone. The glass of windows and skylight is pale amber. The heating is by steam with ventilating flues from all the main rooms. The plumbing throughout is of the best. The cost of this church when built was $60,000, or about twenty-five cents a cubic yard. Duplication cost today would be about $120,000.—Theodore M. Fisher.

In the Basement Are Lecture Rooms, Kitchen and Heating Plant. Lectures are secular as well as religious.

Lawn and Shrubbery Add to the Attractiveness of Arcade and Court. The main auditorium, shown in the lower picture, seats six hundred people but is soon to be enlarged. The membership is now 1,000 and growing. Note the casement windows in this auditorium and the ample light and ventilation which they afford.
Hand Forged Colonial Hardware

By Myron S. Teller

It would take an article of considerable length to describe the various changes of style in our Colonial hardware from 1650 to 1850 covering the hand forged iron work, the handles and latches mounted on plates, spring latches with knobs and lever handles, the iron and brass rim locks and the first types of mortise latches, where the object was to hide the hardware. I have chosen to deal with the first, the hand forged iron work made on the anvil by the blacksmith. This is the earliest form of hardware used in our Colonial days and naturally we find it mingled with the other styles that followed.

Examples of the earlier and more primitive style of Colonial houses are fast disappearing and it is to be regretted that in the material or references available to the students of architecture and other interested persons so little information is to be found pertaining to this old style hardware and its application. Perhaps this is due to its simplicity, for there are but few rules. These, once they are understood, may be easily adapted to the modern construction of frames and doors expressing the same quaint touch and giving good services as did the old.

The hardware fittings for the house were not of first importance in the Colonial blacksmith's trade, yet the workmanship and finish on old examples of hardware and household utensils is evidence of his pleasure in showing his skill in this branch of his craft. His ingenuity in fashioning a hinge from an old worn tire iron and the forging of other odd pieces into a variety of household articles are interesting proof of that skill.

Fig. 1. A Typical Old Colonial House Which Was Recently Restored. It is equipped throughout with hand forged hardware, wherever pieces of the original hardware were missing, new pieces were made to match perfectly.

Fig. 2. Hall in an Old, Stone Colonial House in Ulster County, N. Y. Here is a fine example of the Colonial stairway, wide board flooring and heavy beamed ceiling. The top section of the Dutch door is open, showing the drop handle, while the lower half shows the inside latch and strap hinges. The door under the stairs shows the use of H-L hinges.
For those who may not be so intimately acquainted with the style of Colonial house in which this iron work was used, it may be of interest to give a description of these houses. Some are still to be found in the early settled towns and villages and occasionally we come on others in unexpected places. In some sections stone was used largely; in others they were mostly of frame and again we find localities with both stone and frame houses. They were more often built one and a half stories high.

The wooden buildings were framed of heavy timbers, mortised and tenoned and fastened together with wood pins; little iron was used in this part of the work. The window and door frames were solid oak, also framed together at the corners and fastened with wooden pins. Even the floor boards were often pinned down with wooden pegs.

Interior views of such houses are shown in Figs. 1 and 2. Here we find the painted floors of wide hand-planed boards of varying widths. The ceilings are low, often not over seven feet high, the boards of the floor above forming the ceiling for the room below. These boards are supported on heavy hand-hewn timbers, spaced four or five feet apart, the ends resting in the stone wall or if in a frame house, on the wood girt which often projected beyond the platter of the side walls. If the house was of stone, the ends of several beams would be anchored through the wall with an iron of quaint design showing outside. Sometimes these anchors were in the form of numbers recording the date of building as in Fig. 6 of wall irons.

The fireplaces in these houses were an important feature, especially those in the kitchens. They were built wide and deep, arched high with a brick or a wood lintel over the opening. Fire wood was plentiful and easy to obtain and no doubt this was one reason for their being built of more generous dimensions than most of the fireplaces in the old country. The kitchen fireplaces often had ovens built in at one side and huge smoke chambers. Some of the smoke chambers were reached from the floor above through an opening built in the chimney and here, on cross poles laid in the chimney walls, the hams and bacons were hung to cure.

A cross pole of wood or iron supported the large trammel irons to which the smaller pot hooks were hung, to hold the pots and kettles. Other fireplaces had iron cranes to hang the pots and swing them over the fire.

In such surroundings the hand-forged hardware found a companionable setting.

The doors, shutters and cupboards in the early Colonial work were fitted flush with their frames, that is, the face of doors or shutters, and at least two to three inches of the frame were on the same plane so that the strap of hinge and bar of latch and bolt could apply flat against this surface and lap over the joint between the door and frame without requiring a bend or offset that would be more difficult and exacting to fit.

Figs. 13 and 15 illustrate this, which is perhaps the most important detail to consider in using the Colonial hardware, in fact for all types of hand-forged hardware which applies to the surface of doors and frames. There were exceptional cases where the hardware was made with offset to meet special conditions, but in dealing with this I shall describe and illustrate the more usual way I have found these applied.

The first doors and shutters used were made of hand-sawed and planed boards fastened to cross battens with hand-made nails. They were hung on strap hinges which were also fastened to the boards and batten with nails clinched on the opposite side. The hinge rested over the hinge pin or gudgeon, the spike of which was driven into the heavy frame of the door or window made of solid timber as before described.

The door or shutter was set in a rabbet cut in the frame so as to finish flush with the frame or casing and the

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Fig. 3. This Door Is Fitted with a Latch with the Handle on the Outside. The small plate above covers a modern key cylinder. Strap hinges and lag pins can be seen on the shutters. Long iron hooks fastened to the sills hold the shutters open. Mud scrapers are formed in the iron hand rail at the bottom step on each side.

Fig. 4. A Batten Door in the Old Van Buren House, Kingston, N. Y., Showing the Use of Strap Hinges and Latch.

Fig. 5. Typical, Six-Panel, Colonial Butt and Bead Door with H-L Hinges and Latch. This door is paneled on one side only.
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Fig. 6. Chimney or Wall Anchors, the One at the Left Was Used to Form the Figure One of the Date 1620 When the Building Was Erected.

Fig. 7. Strap Hinges and Three Types of Hinge Pins, from Top Down: First, a Lag Pin or Gudgeon; Second, Hinge Pin Mounted on Plate; Third, Pin with Plate to Mortise Into Jamb at edge of Door.

hinges and latch were applied to the swing side. Fig. 4 is an example of the typical Colonial batten door and its hardware. On these the strap hinge was used largely and is best suited as it helps to reinforce the battens in holding the boards together. The strap hinge was used to some extent on paneled doors, especially outside doors and shutters. Fig. 3 illustrates this. Fig. 7 shows a variety of strap hinges and three types of hinge pins of which the spike pin is the older and best form. The pin mounted on the plate is a form which screws to the surface of the frame. The other, a mortise pin, was not so commonly used.

Fig. 13 shows a modern adaptation of old style hardware, strap hinges and latch, while Fig. 15 shows the details for applying the hardware to doors and windows.

Fig. 10. Adaptation of Old Door Latch Handles to Assemble with and Operate a Modern Cylinder Front Door Latch. The top of the outside handles forms the escutcheon for the key cylinder.

On the inside paneled doors the H and H L hinges were used as in Fig. 5. On outside paneled doors angle straps used as well as the straight strap, as can be seen in Figs. 1 and 2. H and H L hinges of various forms were used on the doors of cupboards.

The latch with a thumb lift handle was the most common type used—on the inside doors of which the earliest form had a latch with staple guide and spike catch pin, as shown in Figs. 4, 5, and 15.

Figure 8 shows the design of the door handle and latch while Fig. 10 shows thumb latch handles adapted to operate a modern mortise front.

On the entrance door today it is desirable to have an easy means for locking and unlocking from the outside of the door, and this may be done in two ways: the first and best is to use the old style latch and handle and above this provide a mortise cylinder lock with dead or spring bolt operated from the outside by a key and inside by a turn knob, the key cylinder to be fitted with a
hand-wrought iron escutcheon plate outside and a wrought iron thumb turn inside. In this way the modern hardware is inconspicuous as in Fig. 3.

Another way is to use a mortise cylinder front door lock with a latch trip to be operated with a wrought iron thumb lift handle on each side. The cylinder and turn knobs can be applied as in the other case, or the ends of the handles may be fashioned to provide an escutcheon for the key cylinder as in Fig. 10.

Another type of latch was operated by a drop handle of which Fig. 11 is an example. These are usually found on the Dutch door which is built in two halves and fitted with one of these drop handles near lower edge of the upper half. A spindle looped over the handle passed through the door and at the end of spindle a cam was fitted to lie under the bar of the latch, one end resting in the latch guide. A twist of the handle raised the latch and disengaged it from the catch pin. After the upper half was opened, one could reach over and lift the latch of the lower door from the inside.

A typical example of such a door with the original hardware as applied can be seen in Fig. 2. The bolts for these were made of a round bar of iron with a handle fashioned in the middle. Two loop staples held this to the door and a third keeper staple was driven into the log frame. (This style of bolt may be made with loops to nail or screw against the face of door if desired.) Little hardware showed on the outside of these doors other than the drop handle which also served as a knocker.

At one side of the doorstep a mud scraper was set in the stone or fastened to the wood steps, sometimes one at each side, a reminder for those who entered to scrape their muddy boots. Fig. 9 shows two designs.

The shutter hardware is found equally interesting. Hinges were of much the same shape as used on doors and hung in the same manner on iron pins or thumbs driven into the solid frames. We also find the hinge pins used, mounted on a plate. Angle hinges are often found on paneled shutters.

The shutters were fastened with a small hook to a pin driven in the sill and locked together with a wood bar dropped in iron; later slide bolts were used and a ring pull was placed on the shutter that swung in last. Long hooks held the shutters open. These were fastened to the shutters or sill, see Figs. 3 and 12.

No doubt the fireplace afforded the greatest outlet for the craftsman to display his skill in fashioning the pot hooks, trammel irons, cranes, oven doors, fire dogs, pipe and fire tongs, trivets and toasters and many of the cooking utensils such as forks, ladles, skewer sets, skimmers, skillets, griddles. Examples of these express a delicate sense of proportion in their design and exquisite finish.

Fig. 13. Here Is a Modern Adaptation of the Hand Forged Iron Strap Hinges, Latch and Bolt, Used on the Entrance of a Cottage at Woodstock, N. Y.

Fig. 14. Fireplace with Utensils of Wrought Iron Including Skillet Hanging at the Side, Crane with Pot Hooks Holding the Kettle, Fire Tongs and Andirons.

Fig. 15. This Drawing Shows the Details for the Application of Colonial Hardware to Doors and Windows.
Grouping Early Flowering Shrubs

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As the day for the completion of our home is finally seen in the distance, there comes a point where we suddenly realize that to be a real home it must have a proper setting of flowering shrubs. Shrubs on the smaller place may well combine both their ornamental character, and their use for bearing of fruit. This applies to the raspberry, the currant, and to the taller trees and large shrubs of the apple and cherry group.

Shrubs appeal to us in many ways. They may be graceful and arching in habit, like the honeysuckle and the spirea. They may have contrasting textures of leaves which are interesting when planted together, like the feathery tamarix and the weeping willow, which we usually associate with the shores of a lake or stream. They may have twigs which are tinged with red, gray, yellow or bright green, like the red dogwood, and the Pennsylvania maple with its strange striped bark. They may have thorns for their own and our protection against the marauder, like the buckthorn. They may have flowers which commend them both as a touch of color in the lawn border and as a table decoration. They may have fruit either edible for us or which at least attracts the birds, like the mulberry. Such fruits may be of especial use in decorating the house in combination with autumn leaves.

Before the consideration of the varieties which we may select, let us spend a moment in thinking of the preparation and outline of the shrub planting areas in which these shrub friends are for many years to have their home. Deep cultivation with a spading fork, combined with plenty of black loamy soil, with some sand in it, a sufficient quantity of well-rotted manure or a good quality of commercial fertilizer, are all essential in the planting of any stock. Remember that the shrubs once planted will not be moved for many years, and when planting even a few, do the work thoroughly and well, for it pays in larger, stronger shrubs and more abundant blooms, even the very first season.

There are many methods of outlining the planting areas, and of late years there are as many advocates of curving outlines which curve aimlessly and in a meandering manner, as there are shrubs to go in the areas. To the writer the simplest way to think of the outlines, is to think not of the outline of the planting area itself, but rather of the outline of the resultant lawn area. This should be made up of long flowing curves rather than a quantity of little scallops, with no relation to the lawn outline.

The smaller the lot, the less likely are we to have much room for irregular planting areas, and here the beds might have straight edges. It is somewhat easier to plant the shrubs or flowers in straight rows, than to stagger or alternate them as is found necessary within the curving bed outline.

In your zeal for planting something original, and in the frequent anxiety of the nurseryman to sell his surplus stock, do not order one of each of all of the varieties of shrubs in his catalog. The colored plates portray in a very appealing manner the marvels of plants not always hardy in your locality. It is safer and better to select for the average small lot a list of a few shrubs which can be planted in groups of at least five or ten. Thus the mass effect is pleasing when the shrubs are in bloom and they count for something in the border.

It is possible to go to the other extreme, due to lack of knowledge of varieties, and thus have but one or two kinds of shrubs on an entire place. This leads to monotony in color of bloom, height of plant and general landscape effect. Where specimen plants are desired and where the individual shrubs are thus allowed to grow to their greatest perfection, a much larger and more prolific bloomer can be secured. The Rose of Sharon is an excellent specimen plant.

Shrubs may be roughly grouped into three height classes. Those nearest the lawn in a wide border are the low-growing shrubs, like the Thunberg's Barberry, which carry down the height of the middle group of shrubs to the expanse of the lawn. This group is somewhat limited in number, and for convenience we call this group the facing material.
Then there is a very large group of shrubs which form the mainstay of all our varieties, which range in height from 3 to 8 feet when fully grown. To this group belongs the well-known and popular Van Houtte’s spirea. Where the planting border is wide, possibly 8 feet, there is a third group of shrubs and small trees which run in height from 8 feet to 12 or 15 feet. The flowering dogwood, sometimes found along our woodland borders, is an example of this last group.

The accompanying plans and photographs outline some interesting and attractive shrub groupings, with the varieties selected from the most part among the types which bloom in April and May in our northern climate. Our aim, however, should be to secure a continuous bloom throughout the season.

Among the early flowering shrubs which bloom before the leaves are out in the spring and which thus bring a live color note after the dead drab of winter are the following: the Shad-Bush, or Juneberry, which early in the spring as the shad come up the streams to spawn, sends out an abundance of white flowers like cherry blossoms, which are followed in June by blue-black edible berries.

The Red-Bud, or Cercis Canadensis, is covered with pink and red buds on rather irregular, Japaneseque branches. The Flowering Dogwood, Cornus Florida, can usually be safely planted, although it, like the Shad-Bush and the Red-Bud is a woodland edge plant, with a coarse texture and the leaves and branches carried high. The Forsythia or Golden-Bell, is a large family, all members of which have arching branches covered with golden yellow, bell-shaped blossoms before the leaves arrive. This latter family is especially effective if planted with the red-twigged dogwood.

The Spirea family, among the many varieties of which is the bridal-wreath, forms a large and useful group of early flowering shrubs, in great demand on Decoration Day.

The Japanese Flowering Cherry, with its white and pinkish blooms, the flowering plum, the pink buds of which are always a happy surprise in the early spring, and the early Fragrant Honeysuckle are also favorites in the early flowering groups.

**Taller Group**
(8 feet to 25 feet)

- Thorn Apples (Crataegus in variety).

  Without the cheerful blooms of this tree, with its horizontal stratiﬁed branches, the woodland would indeed be bare.

- Crab-Apples (Pyrus in variety).

From the early spring blooms through the puckery taste of the fall fruits, the crab-apple, famous for its jellies, will ever be sought by the home owner.

- Lilac (Syringa vulgaris).

One of the earliest of the old-fashioned shrubs which framed the entrances of our old New England homes and gardens was the purple and white lilac, with its quantities of spikes of bloom.

**Middle Group**
(4 feet to 8 feet)

- Red Osier Dogwood (Cornus alba Siberica).

  This shrub with its red branches is especially fine when grouped with Golden-Bell.

- Morrow's Honeysuckle (Lonicera Morrowi).

  This excellent screen shrub has fine whitish blooms and red berries in the early fall.

- Tartarian Honeysuckle (Lonicera tatarica).

  The fruit of this variety is yellow with the bloom much like the former variety.

- Van Houtte's Spirea (Spirea Van Houttei).

The spirea is an old standby used for generations, in the borders, and with its arching white branches resembles nothing so much as snow-drifts in winter.

**Low Shrubs**
(2 feet to 3 feet)

- White Kerria (Rhodotypos kerriodes).

  The slender branches of this hardy shrub are well covered with bunches of white flowers much like our syringa. Later in the fall are little clusters of brown and shiny fruits borne at the ends of the branches.

**Cinnamon Rose** (Rosa cinnamomea).

One of the best of the early blooming roses is the old-fashioned cinnamon rose which is hardy and a splendid bloomer.

In the grouping of shrubs remember that the coarser textures and the larger leaved varieties look best in the background, for like individuals with heavy features they seem a little out of place in the average setting. The finer or smaller leaved shrubs will usually appear at their best at the front of the border or about the entrance to the house. Plants native to the woodland would seem quite out of place if used in such a situation or even about the perennials of the flower garden.

They can well be employed for mass effects in the rear of the lot, where they will serve as a screen or protection from unsightly objects.
This is June. Out of doors is best of course, but if not that, we can at least keep open house. There is a good thing better than an open window and that is an open door. So French doors are here to stay, but may their numbers increase. Except for the hearth no part of the house is more celebrated than the window, and on the other hand only a smoky fireplace can cause more suffers than a balky window. Balky windows, faulty in outlook, appearance, or openness should be a thing of the past, and fit to be taxed, as they once were. Now we have every advantage, lot restriction, lighter structure, and a fading for ventilation. Nothing to want but taste. Those responsible for the noticeable advance in house design in the last twenty years have spent much of their time on windows. Garish wall papers, lit with chromos, are replaced with cool walls decorated from within and without with windows. The dusty company parlor with the blinds never opened, and with wax flowers under the glass bell, gives way to an airy living room, real flowers within smelling range, and blinds, if any, which probably couldn't be closed at all, thank heaven. Sound advice, if you must have workable blinds, get awnings. The only place for a louvre is in an attic or a bedroom door. All of us in city, town, or country are blessed with open windows.

It is difficult at times to decide between the two types of window, double-hung (guillotine), or the casement window. Each has its advantages. And the casement in its swinging out or swinging in has its advocates in both directions. On speculation the double hung window is by far the better, and it can be made fully as attractive as any casement window. But it cannot be used with as much freedom or with as much small effect. The larger and high double hung window is now replaced by the French door.

The double hung window becomes a unit of wall design. It can be placed to emphasize a plain wall or to collect the lines about it. This is shown in the upper sketch of the windows over a porch roof. They are close to the eaves, mullioned, and silled near the porch roof. The windows point to both in a polite way. The sketch of the raised-in windows below shows the possibility of bringing the eye to one point, or to a group of points. Such methods are effective from the outside and are very attractive from within. They claim appreciation. Double hung windows of today are just as good as they ever were except when the parting strips and stiles are painted soft wood. I have heard they should be hard wood, oiled. Headers should be strong and sills permanent. Here shrinkage, poor flashing, and fitting take toll. No double hung window should ever leak a drop or wobble, or stick. Metal weather stripping overcomes many of these difficulties. A room I use was cold in the winter, the sash rattled, and sung like rigging. Now the room with its twelve big windows is warm even in a gale and I can raise the windows as easily as I used to raise the roof.

The figures 1 to 4 show details of double hung windows in isometric, with a scale for measurement of 1½ in. equal 12 in. if desired. Notice the difference between Figs. 1 and 4. They show the contrast of design in structure. Fig. 2 shows a deeper section as built with 2 by 4 studs, a section allowing ample room for closing and locking blinds when screens are used. Fig. 3 shows a sill used with stone or brick walls. The lintel with this type is hidden. The window is really colonial and lends a dignified air to the wall.

The variety in design using casements is apparently without limit. Loss of wall space is less regretted when lost to those delightful windows. Refusal to argue the advantages of swinging them out or in probably identifies my own preference, but both are good. Fig. 5 shows an in-swinging casement window with a two-piece sill. Drip mouldings should never be omitted and they should be let into the jambs to a good fit. Metal drip mouldings and sill joints are an advantage, and some claim that weep holes below are too. But a weather tight casement window depends more than ever on the stability of the frame and even the house frame. A priming coat of paint left long enough to discover the leaks, which can be recalled, helps, but a poorly built frame, case and sash which shrink and warp will make of it a stationary affair that keeps nothing out. This croaking should not be taken too seriously, however, for no builder will pass the buck to a window. The sash of the casement which swings in is of course better protected. If not too large it is not in the way and can be used to direct air currents. Curtains and shades fastened to the sash are out of the way when the window is open.

Now the use of casements which swing out is in keeping with house design across the Atlantic. The English are not bothered with flies as we are. Screens, avoided there, are unavoidable here. But this need not detract from appearance or operation. A group of casements swinging out is an inviting sight. Almost like an open door. They proclaim a ready entry to the house whenever you have been out of doors long enough. Casements naturally open out. Fig. 6 shows a casement window section in stone or brick fitted for a window seat. Such a plan is desirable when it can be used. As hinted before the sight of the out of doors has taken its place in the house. Out of doors is best of course, but if not that, we can at least keep open house. There is a good thing better than an open window and that is an open door. So French doors are here to stay, but may their numbers increase. Except for the hearth no part of the house is more celebrated than the window, and on the other hand only a smoky fireplace can cause more suffers than a balky window. Balky windows, faulty in outlook, appearance, or openness should be a thing of the past, and fit to be taxed, as they once were. Now we have every advantage, lot restriction, lighter structure, and a fading for ventilation. Nothing to want but taste. Those responsible for the noticeable advance in house design in the last twenty years have spent much of their time on windows. Garish wall papers, lit with chromos, are replaced with cool walls decorated from within and without with windows. The dusty company parlor with the blinds never opened, and with wax flowers under the glass bell, gives way to an airy living room, real flowers within smelling range, and blinds, if any, which probably couldn't be closed at all, thank heaven.

Sound advice, if you must have workable blinds, get awnings. The only place for a louvre is in an attic or a bedroom door. All of us in city, town, or country are blessed with open windows. It is difficult at times to decide between the two types of window, double-hung (guillotine), or the casement window. Each has its advantages. And the casement in its swinging out or swinging in has its advocates in both directions. On speculation the double hung window is by far the safer, and it can be made fully as attractive as any casement window. But it cannot be used with as much freedom or with as much small effect. The larger and high double hung window is now replaced by the French door.
Details of Home Building

NOTE: ISOMETRIC SCALE 1/2" = 1'

FIG. 1: DETAIL OF DOUBLE-HUNG WINDOW
FIG. 2: EXTRA WIDE PULLEY STILE—MORE ROOM FOR BLINDS
FIG. 3: OLD TYPE FLAT FRAME—SILL DETAIL IN STONE
FIG. 4: CONVENTIONAL AND SUBSTANTIAL MODERN TYPE

MULLIONED WINDOWS OVER A PITCHED ROOF

SWING-IN CASEMENT WINDOW—WITH 2-PIECE SILL AND INSERTED DRIP—DEEP SET CASEMENT BAY WINDOW—SWING-OUT SILL AND JAMB SECTION—

RAILED WINDOWS—UPPER FLOORS

RIG-5: SWING-IN CASEMENT BAY-FRAMED TRANSOM

FIG. 4: CONVENTIONAL AND SUBSTANTIAL MODERN TYPE
Culver's War Memorial

ALBERT KNELL, Architect

There is probably no more fitting monument to the gallantry of American soldiers than the memorial which a group of notable world war veterans dedicated a short time ago on the campus of one of the country's leading military schools. At the threshold of that memorial one is aware that he stands in the presence of a shrine, yet there is nothing somber or subdued there—only quiet dignity and beauty in a handsome, useful structure.

This is the memorial to the gold star alumni of Culver Military Academy, rendering, as did the men it honors, the maximum of service, for, as a combined library and alumni club, it meets many of the cultural and utilitarian needs of a great educational institution.

The building is the gift of the Culver family, presented to the alumni of the school in the name of the sixty-two former cadets who died in the allied cause. It is a structure of two stories and basement in Tudor-Gothic design—a style much favored for schools and in keeping with the other buildings on the Culver campus.

The dedication, early in November, was an event extraordinary in many respects. The presence of soldiers and war veterans of seven nations gave it a distinct international character and reflected again the spirit of comradeship kindled on the battlefields of Europe. The program, carried out under the folds of the Stars and Stripes and the flags of the former allied powers, was a spectacle which left a lasting impress upon those present.

The building stands on the sloping shore of Lake Maxinkuckee, a beautiful little freshwater tract in the prairie land of northern Indiana. It is a T-shaped structure of brick and stone, with battlemented parapets and large, decorative windows. The most commanding feature from the exterior is a pair of Gothic towers, round and sturdy, flanking the beautiful portal. The towers, which are reproduced from an old English castle in Sussex, are surmounted by a massive cornice supported by stone brackets. The slightly recessed doorway is topped by a Tudor arch in stone, above which are two six-light ornamental windows set within another stone arch crowning the whole portal.

In the panel above the arch are five tablets bearing the coats of arms of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Army Air Service, and the device of the Associated Veterans of the Allied Countries, the arms of service in which the sixty-two Culver men died.

All windows are in delicate stone tracery, leaded in square panes of antique cathedral glass. The sash are of casement type, with metal frames and bronze trimmings.

One of the most distinguishing features of the interior is the employment of cut stone in decorations and finish. The walls and floors of the main floor are stone throughout, and likewise of stone are the handsome stairway and balcony which dominate the attention as the visitor enters the main hall. This beautiful work is patterned after the stairs and balcony in the ancient castle of Conte Guidi, in the Casentino Valley of Italy. The balcony extends around three sides of the hall, giving passage to the upper apartments in each of the three wings of the building. At the balcony landing is the gold star room, a domed, sky-lighted shrine wherein are venerated those who made the sacrifice. Here are preserved the photographs of each gold star soldier and an elaborate vellum volume in which are inscribed the individual war records of each. On an expansive tablet of gleaming white marble
Looking Across the Main Hall into the Library Reading Room Through Three Tudor Arches.

are chiseled the names of the noble sixty-two. This room is windowless and its walls are paneled in Flemish gray.

On the wall at the head of the stairs is fixed the bronze tablet in "memoire des cadets morts glorieusement pour le droit et la civilisation" presented by a delegation of foreign veterans on a visit to Culver in 1922. At the right of the door to the gold star shrine is the cluster of allied flags, each flag officially presented for permanent keeping in this memorial hall.

One of the most exquisitely furnished chambers in the building is the lounge, which is part of the club quarters and occupies the east wing of the main floor. This room has stone walls and floor and a magnificent cut stone mantel richly moulded and carved. Embossed in natural stone on the wall above the mantel is the coat of arms of the Culver Legion. Furniture, draperies, rugs and chandeliers of rare beauty and distinction give this room the magnificence of a princely setting.

The Tudor-Gothic influence is emphasized by the several Tudor arches employed for the doorways on the main floor. All openings from the hall are through cut stone arches of this pattern, but a pleasing variety is introduced by the ornamental iron gates at the doorways to the library reading room and the lounge.

On the second floor is a special suite for the board of trustees, the club dormitory, and several conference rooms. The trustees' room is furnished as an old English library, with panel walls and a huge fireplace, and furnishings to correspond to the period. In the dormitory are baths and lavatories, and bunks for seventy-five "old grads" to fill at home-comings and commencements.

An alumni chapter room is in the basement. Its romantic old fireplace, plastered ceiling, half-timbered walls, and comfortable chairs make it an inviting place for the talk-
The first of this series was published in the November issue of the AMERICAN BUILDER. Readers will remember that the drawings are intended to show the details of construction for every trade involved and are suitable for use by the drafting room in designing details. The distortion of the drawings will be apparent at a glance, but this purposely has been done that the methods may be made more clear.

NOTES FOR DRAWINGS ON OPPOSITE PAGE

Fig. 43. Two ways of making a water-tight connection between the roofing and an inside iron drain or leader are shown in Fig. 43. The one on the right shows a method of connecting to a felt-and-gravel or other composition roof, while the one on the left shows the method of connecting to a sheet metal roof. In both instances the copper tube should extend into the iron drain at least 6 inches, but before being set in place the outside of the copper tube toward the iron pipe should receive a heavy coat of asphaltum.

In cases where the outlet does not drop directly into the leader, a lead gooseneck is used. This is made with a flange on the upper end and is inserted through the hole in the copper and soldered to it. The lower end is made with a brass ferrule or caulking ring for making a tight connection to the pipe. For the composition roof the copper should extend out on the roof 4 inches beyond the gravel-stop and be incorporated in the layers of roofing in the usual manner.

For sheet metal roofing the connection between the roofing and flashing is made by a lock seam secured to the roof by cleats. This seam is to be turned in the direction of the flow and soldered. Although the drawing shows one sheet of copper from the gravel-stop and seam to the roof by cleats. This seam is to be turned in the direction of the flow and soldered. Although the drawing shows one sheet of copper from the gravel-stop and seam to the top of the tube, the pan is built up of several pieces. The number and arrangement will vary with each design.

To avoid confusion no attempt has been made in the drawing to show the necessary seams.

Fig. 44. For large roof areas on concrete buildings provision must be made for the expansion and contraction of the reinforced-concrete roof slab. This is done by allowing open joints through the concrete roof slab at certain places. These joints must, of course, be recognized in the design of the roofing and an arrangement made so that the roof will ride with the concrete roof slab and not be broken by the expansion caused by temperature changes.

The conditions presented in Fig. 44 shows a tile roof laid on a cement mortar bed over a concrete roof slab with fabric waterproofing between the mortar bed and the concrete slab. The expansion provision for the roofing is made by a band of No. 14 iron painted on both sides with asphaltum and encased in 16-ounce copper. This band is made in lengths convenient for handling; the width should be at least 5½ inches more than the width of the expansion joint in the concrete at the lowest temperature.

At the band end and between the end of the band and the copper a space "B" must be left for expansion. This space should be equal to one-half the width of the expansion joint in the concrete at the lowest temperature plus ½ inch. The width of the copper, therefore, both on the tile and on the waterproofing fabric will be equal to twice the distance "B" plus 5½ inches. The height is determined by the space required by the mortar bed plus the thickness of the tile.

The entire flashing is laid while the fabric waterproofing is being placed or directly afterward, depending on whether it is desired to incorporate the lower flanges of the flashing in the layers of the fabric or place the flashing afterward and cover the flanges with two additional layers of fabric extending out 6 inches on the roof. After the fabric is laid, the mortar bed and the tile are laid. Just before the tile is laid the space between the copper and the cement is filled with mastic-compound and the tile squeezed under the copper and into this compound.

This expansion joint is often made without the iron strip. A copper sheet is shaped roughly as shown in the drawing and is filled with a high-melting-point asphalt. The tile is then set in place. The movement due to temperature changes causes distortion in the flashing strip. The asphalt adjusts itself to take care of this distortion. This method is somewhat cheaper than the one shown but has not the rigidity necessary to resist external wear.

Fig. 45. Another method of connecting a roof surface to an inside drainpipe is shown in Fig. 45. In this drawing the right-hand side shows a composition roof on a wood base and the left-hand side shows a tile roof on a concrete base. The copper tube before being placed in the cast-iron drain-pipe is soldered to a brass ferrule made long enough so that the copper will lap the ferrule 3 inches. The copper sleeves should be secured to the flashing flange on the roof by a soldered lap seam.

The lead gooseneck, described in Fig. 43, is also successful with this type of outlet. The flashing flange should extend out on the roof a distance equal to the diameter of the tube and be incorporated in the layers of the roofing material. Near the outside edge of the flashing flange a crimp is soldered. In the right-hand example it should be high enough to prevent the washing off of the gravel or slag and on the left-hand side it should be high enough to finish flush with the top of the tile.

The junction of the brass ferrule and the iron drain-pipe must be carefully caulked with lead, and the opening at the top of the copper tube at the roof provided with a strainer of basket or other design. The strainer has been omitted in the drawing to avoid confusion.

Fig. 46. This drawing is shown primarily to indicate the general type of copper flashing used in this sort of drain connection. The details vary with the design of the connection and the conditions under which it is used. This connection is a patented article and the manufacturers should be consulted for details and the best type to use under a given condition.

Training of Bricklayers

THE Federal Board of Vocational Education has published Bulletin No. 95 of the Trade and Industrial Series No. 27. The title of the bulletin is "Bricklaying" and it contains an analysis of the trade together with suggestive courses of training for apprentices.

The bulletin was written primarily with the thought of meeting the needs of training courses organized for employed apprentices. It contains much of interest to employers and employees, as well as to those directly concerned with the supervision and instruction of trade classes in vocational schools.
Details for Sheet Metal Work

Sketches for Sheet Metal Working Methods, Explained on Opposite Page.
HERE was once published a funny story of an Irish handy-man at work painting on a ladder, who, on being asked by the walking delegate to produce his union card, answered indignantly, "An' for why should Oi nade a union card jist to slather a bit of paint?"

There are plenty, too plenty, master painters and journeymen painters, who would find it hard to give a convincing answer to this question by reference to their own knowledge and practice. Too often the master painter is a man who has merely graduated himself from the paint pot by the aid of a few dollars of capital and nothing else, and too often the journeyman painter is a man with a union card and little more.

But there are real master painters, men who have mastered their craft, in every community, and such masters know the difference between a journeyman painter who understands painting and a journeyman painter who is such only by virtue of his union standing and it is interesting to note how real journeymen gravitate to the service of real masters.

The real master painter is never the one who submits the lowest bid but he is always the one who submits the most intelligent bid, and is, in consequence, the one who will not have to "skin" the job and the customer in order to come out whole.

"A pig may whistle," says the old Scotch proverb, "but he has an ill mou' for it." So a tyro may "slather paint."

Anybody Can Splash Paint. It takes an experienced master painter to handle the important work of properly decorating a new house. but he is ill-equipped for it. For economic reasons, surfaces must be saved with paint and varnish and on economic grounds also they had better be saved by a novice than not at all; but for any important work the master painter repays far more than the cost of his services; just as for trivial indispositions the family medicine closet serves; but, when anything real is the matter, we want the doctor. The master painter first of all has obtained his master's degree in the university of practical experience. Like the experienced old family doctor, he knows the symptoms at a glance and in nine cases out of ten knows the remedy without consulting the books. For surfaces have their symptoms and their idiosyncrasies, and their proper treatment requires specialized knowledge, without which the treatment may introduce complications worse than the original disease.

The real master painter is not only a graduate artisan but also a decorative artist. He understands the laws of color harmony, color balance, and color contrast; the values of light and shade; the laws of form and symmetry; and, in addition, the fitnesses and unfitnesses of the many materials utilized by his craft.

He is not much of a self-advertiser, but he is worth hunting and finding; and when found he should be consulted, retained and trusted like another family physician. Such is the master painter of today, an artist, a technologist, a consultant. The master painter of tomorrow will be all these and something more. He has been compared with
the family physician. More and more the tendency of
the master painter is in the same general direction; so that
eventually he may be regularly retained to forestall rust
and rot and deterioration rather than to check them after
they have got a running start. This movement can be
effectively promoted, to his own benefit, by the property
owner who will take the hint. After you have found your
family painter, put it "up to him" to watch and safeguard
the health of your property.

Every piece of property, be it residential, industrial or
publicly owned, should be regularly inspected for paint
defects in the spring and fall of the year. If necessary work
is done promptly, upkeep and repair costs will be kept to
the lowest possible minimum.

## Color Misting

### Invention of Spray-Painting Machine Inspires New Decorative Technique for Painted Walls

Out of the utilitarian has come the beautiful, a really
new idea in wall decoration. Humble but efficient
is the mechanical painting equipment which has
been developed to do yeoman service in the field of paint
application. A new technique for the producing of strik-
ingly beautiful wall effects was far from the minds of the
inventors as they perfected paint spray machines. Yet we
have found, in these novel and interesting machines, not
only great economies in time and labor, but also a vista of
unique and handsome interiors, the possibilities of which
are bounded only by the limits of imagination.

Distinctive decorative treatments for the walls of homes,
as well as of hotels and office buildings, are easily obtained
with the small interior decorating, spray-painting outfit.
No great amount of time, labor or material, and no great
expenditure for equipment or work is required. The labor
of decorating is reduced by more than half by the use of
this up-to-date equipment, which brings stippled effects,
blends and spatter work within the reach of all.

The "baby" mechanical painting outfit includes an air-
compressing unit and a spray-painting unit. The former
includes an air compressor, a motor to drive it and an air
tank with accessories; all mounted on a portable, rubber-
tired frame. The motor is of such a size as to permit
ordinary lamp socket connections. The spray-painting unit
is made up of a paint container of sufficient size for ground-
coat work, a smaller one for spray-spatter colors, a spray
gun and the necessary hose.

This decorative work is accomplished by coating the sur-
fase to be decorated with the desired ground color. The
consistency of the paint is such as to produce a good hiding
coat. After application, this coat is allowed to dry. Then

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Color Misting, Done with Mechanical Painting Equipment Operated at Low Pressure, Is a New Method of Interior Decoration for Walls. Note solid color of first coated portions of walls. Because of the wide variety of available colors this system of decoration possesses many interesting possibilities.
the harmonizing spatter colors are applied in the order desired. These may be put on one immediately after another, as it is not necessary to allow drying time between applications.

Since one does not have to wait until the first spatter coat dries before applying the next, there is opportunity to obtain different effects by using flat, semi-gloss, and gloss paints. By a variety of gloss paints a blending effect is possible; while in the use of flat paints the individual colors take on a decided form and the effect may be likened to oatmeal paper.

At a saving of both time and material, very charming stippled finishes may be had by this newest of methods. By no other method is it possible to obtain the perfect blending which the spray equipment produces.

While many are familiar with stippling and blending, few, indeed, are acquainted with the harmonious and attrac-

tive finishes known as "spray spatter work." This work is a combination of two, three or more colors mixed on paper and varied consecutively on a solid background. These treatments, like the others, are attained by the use of an exceedingly low air pressure. Spray spatter combinations are limited only by the knowledge of color harmony, the decorative "sense" and the number of walls to be finished.

The small paint consumption, the speed with which decoration is applied, the wide nature of colors that may be used and the fact that full advantage may be taken of gloss, semi-gloss and dull finish paints in producing a delicacy of finish, together with the coarseness or fineness with which the misting can be done, are points that specially recommend this treatment to both owners and decorators. A sprayed finish appropriate for any room can be selected and all such finishes possess the sanitary and washable characteristics common to painted walls.

Conservation and Construction

Our Natural Resources Are So Depleted That Unless Rigid Conservation Is Practiced Construction Will Suffer

"C onstruction is the balance wheel of American industry," Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, said recently.

Everyone connected with the building trade realizes the truth of this statement as well as the fidelity of another of Secretary Hoover's precepts—the interdependence of the various industries.

When someone asks, more or less facetiously, "Will it become necessary to raise potatoes and pigs on the land now occupied by Chicago, Philadelphia and our other great cities?" or "Have we reached our industrial zenith?" or "Is the day coming when our manufacturing plants will all be idle and deserted?" the builder realizes that these questions are not nearly so idle as they may appear.

It is not predicting another war, industrial revolution nor bolshevism to lend a serious ear to the queries or to give them sober consideration. It is an obvious fact apparent to everyone who keeps a weather eye upon industrial conditions that if raw materials are lacking, if profits cannot be made, industrial plants will cease to function. And if we continue our present rate and method of development we show a better margin of net profit and apparently find-

'net profits.'

fact remains that more ore has been taken from the earth during the past twenty years than was removed for more than 100 years prior to that time.

Much closer to the interests of the builder, architect, or dealer, however, is the fact that our timber resources are about to disappear. The astonishingly rapid depletion of these stores calls not only for reforestation but also for proper conservation and preservation of the thousands of wood and metal structures now in daily use. In this conservation is where the most important function of paint for industrial plants, and, in truth, for any construction, asserts itself.

Manufacturers are constantly undergoing the experience of enormous production with relatively small profits. The margin of profit in most industries is very small as compared with the money turnover. Out of each dollar received for finished products a mighty small proportion goes into 'net profits.'

In factory after factory that margin is becoming narrower every year. Of course, there are exceptions, but many a plant manager is confronted with the necessity of showing a better margin of net profit and apparently finding but little chance of doing so. Industrial profits in the future must come not only from increased production, which brings with it a relatively lower unit cost of production, but also from a lowering of overhead charges.

Many factors enter into the overhead of the modern industrial plant. Chief among these is the most of maintenance of plant and equipment. The wear and tear of manufacturing, the action of gases, acid fumes and weather conditions all have ruinous effect. The extent of this damage is beyond computation—it runs into millions. The only hope of successful combat with these forces lies in the adequate use of the particular type of paint or varnish that will resist them for a maximum period.

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H AVE you ever been ill or recovering from an accident and, unable to rest or sleep, forced to stare at walls the pattern or design of which became unbearable through frequent repetition? The endless tracing of the figures is maddening.

Annoying as is such a system of bedroom decoration, it illustrates a very important truth, the influence of our surroundings upon our spirits and health. Medical authorities recognize the nerve-racking tendency of such decoration. It is to avoid this nervous irritation as well as to secure washable, sanitary walls that doctors insist upon having hospital interiors finished with paint.

Inversely, this serious drawback of the one method brings out strongly an attribute of the newer decorative techniques, their interest. Finishes produced with them are the very spirit of spontaneity, an ever changing play of color in and about a design that the eye never tires of following. This feature, together with their healthfulness, artistic beauty, unlimited variety, modest cost and easy cleaning virtues, is in considerable measure responsible for the vogue among home owners which has been set in their favor. In this article, appropriate finishes for bedrooms are considered with special reference to stippling, border stenciling, dados and two toning, also various combinations of two or more of these methods.

Bedrooms are for rest and sleep. Everything about them should contribute to tranquility. The permissible brightness of the decoration depends on the location of the room, the character of the person occupying the room. A room for the mistress of the house, a chamber with eastern exposure having white curtains worked in pink, with ivory furniture, might be made into a very successful room by selecting a pink treatment for the walls in stippled effect. Ceiling would be lighter ivory than the furniture and the woodwork darker. A narrow moulding of proper

Because a House Is Ten or Fifteen Years Old It Need Not Be Neglected. Upon conservation of individual property depends much of the prosperity of industries and trades. of which our plants and their equipment are made, paint products held to conserve our remaining supply of raw materials. Without these raw materials factories cannot operate. By preventing rapid depreciation of standing property, paint products lower overhead, decrease repairs and replacements and so make more of gross earnings available for wages and dividends.

Great progress has been made during the last fifteen years in the science of paint and varnish making. Today, the paint or varnish manufacturer can supply a product that will do the work expected of it, within reasonable bounds, for a maximum period.

A vast number of special paint and varnish products are made to meet and combat specific conditions. Studies have been made in many industries to determine causes for deterioration of buildings and machines and to devise surface coatings to prevent the loss. Among the specialized paints are anti-corrosive paints, acid resistant paints, fire retardant paints, and a number of others which prove valuable to certain industries.

Prominent in this research work, an activity entered into collectively and individually by nearly all paint producers is that of the Institute of Paint and Varnish Research, of the Educational Bureau, at Washington, of which Henry A. Gardner is director. The work of this bureau, conducted jointly by the Paint Manufacturers' Association of the United States and the National Varnish Manufacturers' Association, has been of immeasurable benefit to the entire country in its combat with all types of destructive forces. Many of the individual developments of the paint and varnish manufacturer are the result of months of scientific investigation conducted by the experts in institute laboratories. As a result, there are very few problems of industrial upkeep work that cannot be adequately met through the proper use of some paint or varnish product.

Conservation is the keynote of the present age. We are suffering from the over confidence and carelessness of our ancestors. To preserve the structural material on hand is a vital necessity to which people are gradually awakening, for our forest resources must be used for new constructions, not for replacing parts deteriorated through neglect. We must, too, give our timber a chance to rehabilitate itself by planting and caring for new growths, and preventing useless losses through insects, fires, or unnecessary demands.

The entire situation boils itself down to an alternative between conservation, preservation, or ultimate inability to meet the demands for replacements, to say nothing of new structures. The entire industrial situation is bound together so tightly that a slump in one tends to pull the others down with it. Upon conservation depends much of the industrial prosperity of the next generation.

None of this is "scare-head" stuff but sober fact. It need not be alarming, indeed, it is not, for people all over the country are joining the movement toward preservation of structural materials. It is well, however, to realize the conditions as well as the opportunities available to combat them.

How to Decorate the Bedroom

A room for the mistress of the house, a chamber with eastern exposure having white curtains worked in pink, with ivory furniture, might be made into a very successful room by selecting a pink treatment for the walls in stippled effect. Ceiling would be lighter ivory than the furniture and the woodwork darker. A narrow moulding of proper
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design done in orange yellow. The mahogany furniture

found in any other material.

A stippled finish in golden yellow done on

a darker shade of the same color would give

the guest a sunny welcome.

As bedrooms are shut off from each other,
each room may be considered independently, but it is safe to adopt the same
method of treatment for all bedrooms, at
least all those located on the same floor.

Colors may vary according to size and location of the room,
and preferences of the occupant.

We are coming more and more to appreciate the effect of
our environment upon our happiness and to be sure that
the subtle but powerful influence it exerts is of a cheerful
and fitting nature. To be specific, the northwest room,
occupied by the dark-haired girl, demands treatment in
bolder colors than does the room that looks southwest
wherein her fair-haired, blue-eyed sister sleeps. In this
"fitting" of a room to its occupant the mobility of paint as
a decorative material is a great advantage and one not
found in any other material.

For the girl's room paneled walls and border stencils
work up interestingly. The sleeping-room on the northwest
that gets little if any sun would be pretty with walls stippled in bright straw yellow with a border stencil of floral
design done in orange yellow. The mahogany furniture
would be set off with rugs and hangings of sunny yellow
and wood-trim in cream enamel.

The southwest room might have
light blue walls with stenciled decoration of
ribbons and flowers done in light gray. On the
furniture, painted French gray, the stencil decoration is repeated in miniature, using the blue of the walls. The dominating color in the rug is a shade of blue deeper than that of the walls. Hangings are white with blue borders. The wood trim is a lighter gray than the furniture. The blue walls are either stippled or paneled; if paneled, the moldings and stiles are done in grays. Paneling would add much interest.

The master's large bedroom with a southern aspect might have walls finished in a two-tone figured effect of light cool green that leans toward olive. The furniture would be of the darker woods, brown mahogany or walnut. Deep ivory woodwork and a dark green or dull brown rug with simple tan drapes would complete it.

If the master's room is in the north of the house the walls may be paneled in shades of buff, with cream woodwork, maple or light mahogany furniture and a maroon rug. If panels are not favored, the walls may be finished with a border stencil and stippling, using rich golden yellows, or with a two-tone finish in these colors.

In the decorating of children's rooms and sleeping porches, where chances of injury to the wall finish are great, a dado will be serviceable. Done in a gloss paint, which is easily cleaned, it can be economically repainted without doing over the upper walls if the finish becomes badly stained.

Sleeping porches, usually opening off a west or south bedroom, should harmonize with the decoration of the bedroom they adjoin. Due to the number of windows and brilliance of light, the porch interior should be slightly darker than that of the bedroom.

Children's rooms offer an excellent field for stencils, especially in the home without a nursery. Frolicking children, animals, windmills, and clowns, flowers and domestic fowls are suitable designs.

Coral Gables Exhibit in New York

A N exhibit of the adaptation of Spanish architecture
which has been employed in the development of the beautiful Coral Gables near Miami, Fla., was shown at the recent Exposition of Architecture and Allied Arts in New York City. This exhibit was under the supervision of George Fink, A. I. A., who has been prominent in this work of adaptation.

A temporary office of the Coral Gables Miami Riviera has been opened in New York, in the lobby of the Biltmore Hotel, and a permanent office will be opened later.
Modernized Store Buildings
Get the Trade

Metal Store Fronts, Plate Glass Windows and Prism Transoms Add to the Value of Attractive Displays

SUCCESSFUL merchants have all learned the value of attraction—the magnet which draws trade. Not only must the goods be attractive, but the settings and surroundings must also harmonize. Fine furniture and fabrics, nor any other merchandise, will not sell as readily when poorly housed, with the possible exception of antiques.

In place of the old fashioned, poorly lighted shop with restricted window display space—unattractive inside and out—the merchant who today expects to meet competition and draw profitable trade takes advantage of the best the builder has to offer.

The improved appearance of modern stores and business blocks is due in great part to improvements by manufacturers in building material and specialties. Metal store fronts, prism transoms, decorative and illuminating glass are important developments and absolutely necessary to successful window displays. Plate glass has been wonderfully improved—brought to a transparent clearness that is without color or blemish—and allows unclouded vision through the glass. At night or on dark days, special electric lighting devices are on the market.

This Jewelry Store in Dixon, Ill., is a Good Example of What Store Front Remodeling Can Accomplish. Note the marble base, the metal store front, the plate glass, the prism glass transom with merchant's name in colored glass and the mosaic tile entrance.

Another Fine Example of a Remodeled Store Front. This is the store of A. Bishop & Company, hats and furs, Chicago. Fine masonry, metal store fronts, the extensive use of prism glass transom lights and fine plate glass windows combine to produce the desired modern effect.
Modern Retail Shops

The Lincoln Market Block, Chicago, Shown Above, Is a Fine Example of the Community Store and Office Building. This handsome business block is built of brick with fine terra cotta trim, ornamentation and red Spanish roof tile. Both the Clausen Construction Company and the J. Schworn Company, builders, have offices in this block.

which effectively illuminate the window display. In fact, leases of any kind, he had set in each prism glass front a permanent sign designating what each store was to be—

Prism transoms are usually made up in symmetrical panels and, while primarily for the purpose of bending the light rays and projecting them towards the store interior, have distinctly decorative value. Translucent glass, set in decorative panels, is frequently used where prism illumination is not essential. Signs are furnished in both forms of glass with white and colored glass lettering set into the transoms.

An interesting story—from a building and real estate point of view—has come to our attention along with one of these store pictures. The hardware and real estate stores shown are housed in a recently completed business block. This block of stores was erected in an outlying but rapidly growing section of Chicago. Vacant lots were more frequent than buildings; in fact, it was built practically "out on the prairie."

The promoter, Frank P. Murphy, built sixteen stores in this block. Without advance

This Picture Shows Two of Sixteen Stores in a Block Built "Out on the Prairie," but Quickly Leased. A clever use was made of transom lights and ornamental glass signs which helped in achieving this result.

The One-Story Block of Stores in This Picture Was Photographed Just Prior to Completion. Note the unusual attractiveness of the terra cotta ornamentation, metal store fronts and prism transoms.
Carved stone, face brick, concrete masonry and decorative terra cotta, as well as bronze, brass and architectural iron work, are effective in giving a pleasing appearance to business blocks and store buildings. Even a one-story building can be made quite impressive by the use of fine building material.

Inside the store, fine finish, as well as attractive displays of merchandise, are effective in playing their part in sales psychology. Rich woodwork and paneling effects add tone to restaurants, jewelry, millinery, confectionery shops and similar establishments. Fine plaster work, tinting, decoration, painting and varnishing can be skillfully used to create a favorable effect upon buyers.

The Picture to Left shows a Shoe Store Which Does Not Look the Part. Dark gray jasper linoleum floor, soft carpeted, wide stairway, and oriental rugs, produce a pleasing effect with the decorative ceiling panels and pillars.

Hardware, grocery, bakery, barber shop, etc., all down the line. Of course, care was taken to avoid duplication and to have a variety of stores which would include practically all the needs of the community.

This idea was immediately successful and the stores have all been rented at profitable figures. Intending merchants were quick to see the advantage of being in a new and growing community, but, at the same time, having absolute assurance that a competitor in the same line would not open up within a door or two.

The metal store front with marble base presents a handsome and pleasing appearance, especially when surmounted by plate glass and decorative prism glass panels. Prism glass can be had which diffuses the light in a pleasing manner rather than deflects it in concentrated rays.

Two of the finest looking store fronts illustrated in connection with this article are remodeling jobs, which suggests what can be done to make old stores attractive.

Needless to say, the builder who provides the best stores and business blocks will benefit either directly or indirectly by their ready rental or sale.
Build Hall Clocks for Profit

A Specialty as Fill-in Work for the Dull Periods in Building Construction

ALTHOUGH the seasonal character of the building industry is being lessened rapidly by the campaign for year around building, there are times when the builder finds work slack and days when he must be idle. A specialty line which can be used to fill in such slack periods is a valuable asset for increasing the year’s profits and a number of these are open to every builder.

One which offers an opportunity for a most satisfactory addition to the income is the making of “Grandfather” or hall clocks.

Hall clocks may be built in an infinite number of styles from the most simple and inexpensive up to the most elaborate pieces of cabinet work which bring fancy prices. Works for these clocks may also be obtained at a broad range of prices to suit every pocketbook. There is a company, well-known clockmakers, which makes a specialty of furnishing these works and also supplies blue prints, bills of material and instructions for making a large variety of cases.

One of the more simple designs which can be effectively used is illustrated here with drawings and a photograph of the completed clock. These drawings, with the instructions, should enable a good workman to produce a beautiful and valuable piece of furniture.

In each instance where inch lumber is mentioned it is understood to mean 1-inch boards planed on both sides, approximately ¾ inch thick. First provide the two side pieces from inch lumber, 12½ inches wide and 70 inches long. Slightly round the front edges and rabbet the back edges ¾ inch deep.

Next provide the top and bottom boards from inch poplar. The two back pieces should be made of built-up panel stock, preferable birch, ¾ inch thick and 17 inches wide. The length of each of these two pieces is determined by the position at which the strip between them is placed and this must be low enough to accommodate the movement selected. It is, however, approximately 12 inches from the top and is made of 1-inch poplar, 3 inches wide and 17 inches long. Both edges are rabbeted and it is screwed in place as a brace for the case and an edge support for the two back boards. The inside edges of the ends must be rabbed to fit in between the sides of the case.

Now build the door to fit the frame. The side rails and top are 2 inches wide and are rabbeted inside, ¾ inch wide and ¾ inch deep, to hold the glass which is fastened in place by strips approximately ¾ inch by ¾ inch. The center door rail should be 2½ inches wide and the lower rail 4 inches wide.

The lower moulding and sides should be 1 inch stock, 3 inches wide, the upper edges moulded and lower edge bandsawed, as indicated in the drawing. Upper mouldings should be 1½ inches high and 1½ inches thick. Top and bottom mouldings are mitered. The door stop moulding should be ¾ inch by ½ inch around the inside of the door. A filler strip 1½ inches wide and 1 inch thick, finishes off the inside bottom of the case under the door and provides a sill for the lower door strip.

The bottom is screwed to the lower edge of the sides with No. 5 wood screws 1½ inches long and corner blocks are glued in the four corners, reinforcing the lower moulding. The top is similarly fastened to the upper edge of the sides, but no corner blocks are required at the top.

Two movement supports consist of 1-inch poplar screwed to the sides, inside the case. These should be 3½ inches wide and grooved through the middle of their entire length ½ inch deep and ¾ inch wide. Movements are furnished mounted on boards which slide into these grooves.

The reason for making the back in two pieces is to offer ready access to the movement by removing the upper section of the back, which is held in place by two ¾-inch screws on each of its four edges.

The Hall Clock Possesses a Distinctive Personality Which Radiates a Home-like Air.

**Drawing for Making a Hall Clock Which Is One of the Simpler Styles but Makes an Attractive Piece of Furniture.**
De Luxe Bathroom Cabinet

ONE of the latest perfections in bathroom fixtures is a de luxe cabinet. This is an all steel and glass cabinet the body being pressed from one piece of sheet steel. The finish is a special white which will not stain and is not affected by acids. The mirror in the door is framed in a hand-rubbed black which offers a pleasing contrast to the white of the body.

A wing mirror is attached at each side and an electric fixture is mounted on each wing. The wings are adjustable to any position and the lights flood the mirrors, without glare. An electrical receptacle is located just below the door to supply current for electrical appliances and a small toggle switch, to control the lights, is placed at the bottom of the cabinet.

On the interior, the shelves are of heavy crystal glass with round bulb edges and there is a locked compartment 12 inches high and 8½ inches wide which forms a safe repository for poisons or articles of a private nature. This cabinet is mounted in a wall opening in the usual manner and can be installed in plaster, marble, tile, or vitrolite walls. All wiring is concealed and is approved by the Underwriters’ Association. The connection is made by removing two screws and withdrawing the steel switch box at the bottom of the cabinet.

A De Luxe Bathroom Cabinet with Wing Mirrors and Electrical Wiring for Lights and Appliances Is Finished in White. It will not stain and is not affected by acids.

Complete, Compact Woodworker

RECENTLY placed on the market, by a leading manufacturer of woodworking machinery, a new woodworking machine is exceptionally small and compact while, at the same time, unusually complete and well constructed. It is intended to meet the demand of woodworkers for smaller handier woodworking machinery operating in the same manner as the familiar large machines.

This machine is a complete unit with self-contained power plant operating from a light socket, eliminating the need of special power wiring, and small enough to set up in a basement.

The saw table is of one piece cast iron, 19 by 36 inches, ribbed construction, smooth and accurate. It is hinged at the back and raised or lowered by a hand wheel and screw-elevating device. It is planed at the top for the mitre cut-off gauge. Circular saw and jointer are on separate mandrels enabling separate operation and the mandrels are threaded for affixing attachments, moulding heads, groover and dado saws.

Rip and cross-cut saws of 8-inch diameter are furnished and will cut to a depth of 1½ inches. The jointer is of safety cylinder type furnished with chip breakers and high speed, steel knives 6 inches long. The band saw is operated on 18-inch cast iron wheels covered with rubber band. The upper wheel has a swivel and tilting adjustment for aligning blade and compression spring for regulating tension. Safety guards are provided on band saw, jointer and circular saw.

Non-Renewable Cartridge Fuse

ONE of the fuse manufacturers has just announced an addition to its line in the form of a non-renewable cartridge fuse. This fuse is built in all standard sizes from 0 to 600 amperes and is fully approved in both 250 and 600 voltages. Like the other fuses in this line, this is a powder-packed, time-limit fuse.
Portable Adding Machine

For use by draftsmen, architects, engineers and others who work with many numbers of measurements, an adding machine that calculates in feet and inches, including the smallest fractions, was placed on the market recently.

Made of metal, the device lies flat so it may be conveniently used on a drafting board or flat top desk. It is a simple little machine that gives absolutely correct results in checking plans and eliminating much tedious detail in this work, removes any possibility of error and saves, on an average, three-fourths of the time ordinarily required to perform the computations, it is said.

The machine sums up large sets of figures in a few seconds, is easily operated and is light and compact so that it can be readily carried from place to place. In industrial plants and in structural work the adding machine can be used to promote accuracy and to save time.

The device really is a portable adding machine for the addition of lineal feet, inches and common fractions and is the only one designed solely for the drafting room. It can be operated for numbers up to 4,899 and is being profitably used by architects, draftsmen, engineers, machinery manufacturers, boiler manufacturers, pipe designers, contractors and many others.

Time Is Saved in Making Calculations in Feet and Inches, Including Small Fractions, by the Use of a Portable Adding Machine Recently Placed on the Market.

Tap and Spray Mixing Faucet

Devices which help to eliminate the drudgery and unpleasant features of housework have, of late years been making their appearance in large numbers and more are being perfected every day. One of the recent additions to this group is a combination sink faucet which is a real convenience for washing everything from vegetables to dirty pans. With it water of the right temperature is always available and it is not necessary to have one's hands in the water for the cleaning up.

The hot and cold water pipes are connected to a single tap so the water can be mixed to any desired temperature. In addition to this a rubber hose, terminating in a spray is attached just above the tap and may be used in place of it. It is this feature which keeps the hands out of the water. A bracket is provided just above the faucet so that the hose may be hung out of the way when not in use.

Light, Low Price Auto Trailer

Lightweight low price trailer, which can be hooked onto the car or truck for handling mixed loads or for hurry-up delivery is a great convenience for loads up to 1,000 pounds. Such a trailer, equipped with pneumatic tires and with properly designed hitch for the trailer tongue, places very little additional pull on the car and if the car is well driven, does not strain it.

The body, which measures 40 by 72 inches high, has front and rear end gates which are quickly removed by loosening the tail handle nuts. The sides are also removable. This body is built entirely of hardwood and painted a durable dark gray. Springs, shackles, wheels and tires are of the Ford type and the tongue is a malleable steel casting with 3/4-inch steel pin. The axle is 1 1/2-inch round, chrome nickel steel.

Expanded Metal Corner Bead

Protected and reinforced corners are provided for in the development of a new corner bead of expanded metal. This bead definitely reinforces the corner and produces a stronger plaster surface there than anywhere else in the wall according to the manufacturers. The wide wings with their specially twisted strands produce strong, well-formed keys of plaster entirely surrounding the nose. The bead is rigid lengthwise of the strip as well as crosswise and the wings always remain at the proper angle to the nose. This rigidity is an advantage both on and off the job, as the bead will stand handling in the warehouse even though removed from the crate.

The wide wings, three inches from the center of the nose to the outside of wings, make it easy to fasten on any kind of a ground without the use of clips. The bead is simply anchored at the most convenient points. The center rib gives a rigidity which makes it possible for a man to place the bead at a corner without any possibility of buckling or twisting.
Bores Holes in Solid Rock

BORING holes through solid rock is the latest development in earth boring machines. The boring-through-rock experiment was made by a gas and electric company.

Here is a View of the Auger at Work Boring Through Solid Rock, an Application Which Is New but Wholly Successful.

which is erecting a high power transmission line over a stretch of particularly hilly and stony country.

In the work of digging the holes for the tower abutments many different sizes of augers are used. First, the 48-inch auger is used to bring the working level of each corner to the same plane. Because of the hilly nature of the country this work sometimes requires considerable digging with the big auger. Next, a 24-inch hole is dug about 3 feet deep at the bottom of the 48-inch hole. (This is later filled with concrete after the corner post has been set.) Below the 24-inch hole an 8-inch hole is dug 11 feet deep at an angle of 9 degrees from the perpendicular.

In digging the 8-inch hole a layer of rock varying in thickness of 1 foot to the depth of the hole is very frequently encountered. In these instances the first operation in boring the 8-inch hole is to bore a 1 1/4-inch hole through the rock the required depth. A 1 1/4-inch drill is attached to the auger shaft and the hole is drilled through the solid rock at the rate of almost a foot in 10 minutes. In one instance where the rock extended the full length of the 11-foot hole, the hole was drilled in 2 1/4 hours. (Such a hole drilled by hand methods would require three men 3 or 4 days.) After the 1 1/4-inch hole is dug it is shot with dynamite and then cleaned out with an 8-inch auger. The cleaning out process requires but a few minutes.

Single and Double Spring Hinges

A NEW spring hinge, in both double and single action, supplied in sizes from 3 to 8 inches, is designed to be applied directly to the door casing without the use of a jamb hanging strip.

The double acting hinge is applied with the entire thickness mortised into the door and the jamb flange attached to the surface of the door casing without any mortise cut being made. The single acting hinge is applied with the flanges mortised into both the door and door case, just as springless hinges are applied, or the entire thickness of the hinge may be mortised into the door and the jamb flange applied to the surface of the door casing.

The web and barrels are made of one continuous piece of metal formed so that the web portion has three thicknesses of metal and the barrel only one. This feature gives sufficient strength to the web and permits a barrel with small outside diameter but large enough to carry a powerful spring.

New Rotary Mail Box

A NEW mail box, designed to take care of old apartments and family hotels where remodeling would be required to accommodate the large mail boxes required under the new ruling of the Post Office Department, has been devised and has received the approval of the Postmaster General. It can also be used to save space in new buildings. This is a rotary box providing for 36 apartments with three tiers of boxes and 12 boxes in a tier.

Each box is 16 inches high.

The carrier unlocks the government lock on top of the cabinet and lifts the lever. All boxes in the cabinet tilt out. He then rotates the box and puts in the mail where he stands. Each individual box has a door which opens the full length of the box and is locked at the side so the large pieces of mail can be easily removed as well as put in. This cabinet is 20 inches in diameter and about 5 feet high.

This cabinet is also made for a corner installation where three, six or nine boxes are operated in the same way in a very small space. The rotary cabinet is bolted to the floor, in a corner or wherever most convenient, and requires very little space and no expense for remodeling.
Selective Transmission for Fords

A NEW selective type transmission gives the Ford car or truck four speeds forward and two reverse, at the driver's option.

The big feature of this transmission is the perpetual engagement of the gears. They are meshed at the factory and they remain so, with one gear running free on the spline shaft when the transmission is in neutral. There are no dogs or rotating keys to jam or lock as in the usual constant mesh transmission. Instead, the gears are engaged with the spline shaft by means of a small sliding gear with twelve half-round teeth. As this sliding gear, which rotates with the spline shaft, is moved by the shifter fork against the idle transmission gear, these half-round teeth mesh with corresponding depressions which are milled into the shoulder of the transmission gear which is, in effect, an internal gear. The sliding gear teeth are staggered for indexing, that is, so that four out of the twelve simultaneously strike against four extended segments of the gear shoulder and the sliding gear is allowed to slide home noiselessly and surely. The gears cannot clash, no matter how inexperienced or careless the driver may be.

The transmission was designed primarily for the Ford Model T chassis, so that it is ideal equipment not only for the passenger car but for the light delivery car as well. With special truck fittings it is also used on the Model TT truck. The three-point suspension, which has contributed so greatly to the success of Ford cars, has been carried out in the new transmission.

Water-Proof Cement Paint

A WATER-PROOF cement paint has been developed which has a number of points which recommend it for varying uses. It is a fine, dry powder which, when mixed with water, forms a paint that both decorates and waterproofs concrete and other masonry surfaces and keeps them permanently dry and attractive. It can be used on stucco, plain concrete, brick, tile, masonry and structural iron, pipes, tanks, etc. It will not adhere to a non-porous surface such as glassed tile, and glazed brick.

This paint can be applied to a wet surface; in fact, the surface should be wet down before applying both the first and second coats and in warm or dry weather. After each coat the newly painted surface should be gently sprayed with water. It is supplied in white and six other colors which can be mixed to produce any desired tint.

Residence Water Pumps

A NEW automatic gas water heater has been designed to meet the demand for such a heater at a price within the means of the average home owner. It will give a continuous supply of hot water at a low upkeep and gas cost as well as having a low cost for the original installation. It is entirely made in one factory and this, with large volume production, makes the price possible.

It is automatically controlled by a new type of dual action, thermostatic valve. This is self-adjusting to different quality and varying pressures of gas and controls both the pilot or carrying heat and the burner. It is fully insulated so that no wasted heat is thrown off. If the hand is placed on any part of the heater it will be found to be only slightly warm though the water in the tank and pipes is at 160 degrees.

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All adjustments are made at the factory and permanently set. The heater is easily installed, requiring only one gas and two water connections. It is made in four sizes, the small family size adapted to small homes, bungalows, apartments, barbershops and beauty parlors; the family size adapted to houses requiring a good volume of hot water; duplex house size; and a heavy duty size for apartments and clubs.
Pre-Cast Concrete Walls

A PRE-CAST concrete system of wall construction has just been developed which incorporates a number of interesting features. The material is disposed after the manner of placing steel in columns to develop maximum strength; and staggered air spaces reduce the travel of moisture, heat or cold and sound, from face to face of the wall, to a minimum.

A Flemish bond gives a most pleasing joint texture and ample facility is offered for the placing of vents, conduits and pipes. Its alignment is mechanically guaranteed, reducing the labor and skill necessary in its erection to a minimum, and it can be erected with equal facility in summer and winter, thus helping to keep organization and equipment busy through the entire year. It utilizes the cheapest possible material and the most generally available, 75 per cent being locally available practically anywhere.

Pivoting Sink Stool

THE latest feature for the convenient kitchen or kitchenette is a pivoting sink stool which is always handy but never in the way. It is easy to install, only a screwdriver and a plumb being used. A base socket is screwed to the floor in the desired location, just under the sink. The base of the seat frame is then placed into the socket and the upright rod plumbed about three degrees toward the wall and the center of the opening. The "L" shaped top socket is then screwed to the sink side or rear of top rail.

It must be screwed tightly, for all the weight centers at this point.

The object of fastening the top socket three degrees out of plumb is to make the stool swing out of way, automatically, when not in use. A few drops of oil in the base socket insures perfect operation. This stool is built of steel with aluminum luster finish and has a wooden seat, enameled white. It will support a weight of 500 pounds at an acute angle. It fits any sink from 32 to 36 inches in height and requires a minimum space of 20 by 26 inches.

Metal Bracket Fixture

MEtal attachments by which the common type of wood brackets may be converted into folding brackets with considerable reduction in weight have recently been put on the market.

These consist of steel angles, which provide support for the inner end of the horizontal 2 by 4, a loose hinge device which connects the outer end of the horizontal 2 by 4 with the upper end of the diagonal, and a strong chain which connects the lower end of the diagonal with the inner end of the horizontal, thus forming the complete triangle.

The two pieces of 2 by 4 may be folded flat on each other, by the use of the loose hinge and the substitution of the chain for possible through the use of metal attachments which have been lately devised.

A Pivotted Sink Stool Which Automatically Swings Out of the Way When Not in Use and is Strong Enough for Any Normal Load.
Heavy Half Bag Tilting Mixer

A ONE-HALF bag tilting concrete mixer with a side loader is now, for the first time, being made by one of the well-known manufacturers. This machine is unusually heavy built for a machine of its size, and is also most compactly built. The total weight of the mixer is 2,000 pounds and its height is 6 feet. It comes equipped with 24-inch cushion tired disc wheels, but Goodyear, heavy duty, puncture proof tires can be supplied if desired.

An oversized drum, 31 by 28 inches, is used and power is furnished by a 3 horsepower engine. This power equipment is more than sufficient to meet all requirements of a mixer of this size on an average job. The skip is quick operating and raises and dumps within 10 seconds. The entire finish and equipment of this machine is high grade throughout and the price is in line with the average machine of this size.

Switch to Control Oil Burners

A MOTOR program switch is a unique control unit particularly adaptable for oil burner control. It is designed to be operated by low voltage thermostats, either room or boiler control, or in combination. Its use is recommended on oil burners which require a definitely timed and set program of operations in the starting and stopping of the burner. It can be furnished with either one or two electrical switches, each of 10 amperc capacity. These 110-volt switches, by means of specially designed cams, can be made to close and open electrical circuits according to any required program. Auxiliary apparatus, such as gas and oil valves, can be controlled by one, two, or three extended shafts, all equally timed and revolving at the same speed.

This switch can be furnished with varying gear ratios, giving a range of operating periods to meet particular requirements from 30 seconds up to six minutes.

A new and important development is represented in the recycling model of the switch providing a means to completely recycle the switch after any interruption in the power circuit, re-igniting the burner by putting the program switch through its complete ignition cycle. This new feature is of the utmost importance with burners utilizing expanding gas pilot flames or electric ignition.

Solid Roof Sheet and Ridge Roll

A CORRUGATED metal roofing sheet and ridge roll, in one solid piece, is now being marketed which eliminates most of the cost of a separate ridge roll and saves the time and labor expense of applying a separate roll. The manufacturer states that it is absolutely storm-proof and cannot leak or work loose, that it forms a double protection on the ridge of the roof and is unexcelled for appearance and economy.

This roofing is furnished in 1½ and 2½-inch corrugations and in 10-foot lengths, or any other lengths required, either galvanized or painted and in standard gauges Nos. 24, 26, 27 and 28. It is adjustable to all roof pitches. The price is only slightly greater than that of the same roofing without the ridge roll.

New Ornamental Light Unit

BEAUTY is combined with efficiency in a new lighting unit which has just been brought out by one of the fixture manufacturers. The glass bowl, shaped like an inverted mushroom, extends above the metal ring so that a portion of the light is diffused upward, resulting in a bright ceiling. A single, large voltage, Mazda C lamp supplies the light.

The cast brass ornamental ring, of Italian Renaissance design, is rich in detail and affords wonderful opportunities for the effective use of color. The manufacturers recommend this unit for fine stores, offices, hotel, theaters and other locations calling for decorative fixtures.
Paint Mixing Tool

If it takes two hours to properly mix a batch of paint and you have an average of three batches a day, and pay your men one dollar an hour, it costs six dollars a day or $1,800 a year to mix your paint. If the same work could be done in forty-five minutes a day the year’s expense would be only $225, saving of over $1,500 a year. Such a saving is said to be possible through the use of a new mixing device, or agitator.

It resembles an auger with a paddle blade at the bit end. This blade is weighted at one end so that it can be inserted endwise into the container, through a small opening. When rotated it opens, the weighted end scraping the bottom and the lighter end following the sides of the container. The result is a thorough mix, easily accomplished in a short time.

The mixer is made in three sizes, the largest to fit wood barrels, steel drums and half barrels, the next size for five-gallon packages and the small one for one gallons. The three sizes are packed together as a unit.

Automatic Seepage Drainer

In office building, residence or factory basements, elevator pits, scale pits, or wherever it is necessary to remove seepage water from a point below the natural-drainage level of the sewer, an automatic drainer is required. A new one, which operates by city water pressure or steam, is now being marketed in a very compact form and with an automatic action which requires no attention.

It is installed in a sump below the level of the surface to be drained, covered by grating, and the only parts above the surface are the water supply pipe and pipe for discharge to the sewer.

Whatever Water Must Be Removed from Below the Drainage Level This Automatic Drainer Will Be Found Most Serviceable.

Three Bolt Door Lock

A result of years of experimental work a door lock is now being produced which is said to be absolutely burglar-proof. According to the manufacturers it is impossible to break through a door equipped with this lock except by taking the door out in pieces. It can be applied to either single or double doors and is suitable for homes, stores, post offices, banks, and, in fact, any entrance which should be securely locked.

This lock is made of bronze and it makes an ornamental trim when applied to a door of any color. When closed the door is secured by heavy 3/4-inch bolts in three places, on the upper edge into a heavy nosing, at the lower edge into a brass plate and at the swinging edge into a heavy nosing. This makes it impossible to pry the door open.

When so equipped the door is opened from the inside by a small push button and a one-eighth turn of the knob. After passing out it is only necessary to turn the knob back and the door is again completely locked. From the outside, the door is opened by means of a small cylinder key and a one-eighth turn of the knob. When closed and the knob turned back it is again completely locked. Locking and unlocking only require an instant.

Swivel Guide Band Saw

NEW model band saw for cutting wood, soft metals, steel and iron is now offered. This machine features a swiveling table and saw guides which permit directing the blade at any angle, making possible the cutting of long lengths of stock.

A roller guide is mounted on the table column immediately below the cutting point. The table and lower guide are integral and swivel together. An upper guide is mounted on the regular guide post and is capable of swiveling about the blade as a center. Thus the blade is supported immediately above and below the work and a perfectly straight cutting edge is always presented to the material regardless of the amount of twist given to the blade.

This saw has a change of speed feature, making possible the cutting of an infinite variety of materials and shapes at the
proper speed and with the correct blade. Two improvements are pointed out in this machine. It can be used for straight cutting on ordinary work and also for cutting long lengths of stock such as boards, pipe and bar stock. The blade can be guided or adjusted minutely to compensate for faulty brazing or inaccuracy in filing and setting.

Variety and Swing Saw

A COMBINATION variety and swing saw has been announced by one of the manufacturers which gives a combination of two machines in one. This machine carries a 26 by 30-inch table which tilts up to 45 degrees and is instantly locked at any desired setting. The table is fitted with a removable throat plate to allow for the use of a dado head, grooving saws, etc., and carries both cross-cut and ripping gauges, either of which can be used on either side of the saw. The type of motor is optional. A ½ H.P. motor, to operate from a lamp socket with 8-inch saws; a 1 H.P. power line motor, with 10-inch saws, or a ½ H.P. power line motor, with 12-inch saws. A swing saw feature, incorporated in this machine, makes it possible for one man to cross cut long stock without need for a helper or table for holding the end. For such work the saw is unlocked from its fixed position and swung through the work by means of a foot treadle. The distance of swing is adjustable to a maximum of 8 inches.

Screen and Glass Porch Enclosure

A COMBINATION screen and glass enclosure for sun parlors and sleeping porches is designed to give the maximum of comfort and utility from porches throughout all seasons. It can be quickly and easily opened and closed, either wholly or in part and is adaptable to practically any type of porch opening. It can be applied to porches already built as well as to those specially planned. This enclosure consists of outside screens with inswinging glass windows. These windows are ordinarily made in three sections, though for narrow openings two sashes are sometimes necessary and for wide opening five sections may be used. The center section is stationary. The two side sections are so hinged that they may be swung open and folded back over the center section, leaving the entire opening clear. The feature of these enclosures is in the method of hinging the side sashes to the center sash.

Automatic Oil Supply Tank

A N automatic oil burner supply tank does away with the labor of hand pumping and the need for a bulky basement tank. It is operated by a small electric motor and is easily installed, requiring only three pipe connections, the suction, the feed line to the burner and the overflow to outside tank. Electric connection can be made to any convenient outlet. When this tank is filled to approximately 50 gallons, the float control shuts off the motor and pump. The oil burner supply pipe is connected to the bottom of the tank and, as oil is consumed and the float control drops to the 45-gallon position, it automatically starts the motor and pump to refill the tank. The complete unit consists of a 65-gallon, heavy, steel tank with interior metal float control which operates the switch of the motor. The motor operates a positive action piston pump which draws oil from the outside supply tank at the rate of 1 gallon per minute. If for any reason the oil supply in the outside tank is exhausted or the float control drops below 40 gallons, the float control rings an electric bell.

Trucks with Four Wheel Brakes

TWO new trucks have recently been added to a well-known line. These trucks, of one ton and 1½-ton capacity, incorporate all the latest developments in the automotive industry. This includes mechanical four wheel brakes which are new, for the first time, applied to trucks. Another feature which is a departure from truck design of the past is the attention which has been given to the comfort of the truck operator. This has necessitated the rearrangement of the steering wheel, brake and clutch pedals in a way to afford ease of operation and position equal to any passenger car. Controls, switches and fuses are concentrated within easy reach of the driver and all working parts have been made easily accessible so that adjustments can be made with the least possible work and loss of time. Mechanical improvements have added to the speed, horse power and rideability. The outward appearance is wholly redesigned with radiator, hood and chassis lines which denote grace, fleetness and power.

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Ball Bearing Chain Block

The latest development in chain blocks consists of the introduction of large size, chrome vanadium steel ball bearings to support the load sheave, as shown in Fig. 1. This block is just being put on the market and interesting claims are made for its high mechanical efficiency. Fig. 2 shows a sectional view of the block and the location of the steel load sheaves carried on two ball bearings.

The ball bearings are arranged to take the entire weight of the load and to withstand the shock of all thrust and overload surges. The bearings are located in small chambers and provision is made, by means of steel and felt washers, to prevent the entrance of dust and grit.

These chain blocks incorporate another novel feature in the provision for continuous lubrication of the bearings, the driving pinion, shaft and driving gears. They contain all the well-known structural features such as electrically welded chain, drop-forged, detachable shackles and steel safety hooks. They are being marketed in all capacities from ¾ to 20 tons.

Friction Head Screw Driver

Unlike other electric screw drivers heretofore offered, a new product in this field is designed with a disc type friction clutch, which is automatically adjusted according to the pressure applied by the operator. Each tool is supplied with a ten-foot, all-rubber, connecting cable and plug and is designed for operation on either direct or alternating current.

Steel Joist and Timber Hanger

In these days of expensive construction labor, one should take advantage of the many little opportunities offered which not only minimize the cost of building, but at the same time produce the best results obtainable.

So frequently floor timbers are merely spiked fast to the sills, which lessens the factor of safety at this point. Where mortise and tenon are employed, the strength is reduced by the amount of lumber cut away, and furthermore considerable time is required, marking out and sawing the lumber.

The question often arises, "How will the beams be held where they abut their supports—will they be cut away by framing, or shall we depend merely on spiking?" It is of utmost importance to have the floor timbers well secured—the stability of the building depends upon it.

The steel joist and timber hangers shown in the illustrations are cheaper and better than mortise and tenon.

Portable Universal Saw

Another portable electrical universal saw has been placed on the market which is shipped as a complete unit ready for operation from a lighting or power circuit.

It is mounted on a heavy metal pedestal and is operated by an electrical motor through wide helical cut gears operating in oil, with large ball bearings. The power unit operates up and down by means of a large hand wheel adjustment.

The table is 23 by 28 inches, large enough to handle 12-inch wide stock, and is 34 inches high. Saw diameter is 8 inches and the depth of cut 2½ inches. A removable 1-inch dado plate is provided. The motor is of the ½ horsepower type.

This saw, which is said to be one of the most powerful portable saws manufactured, is suitable for hauling wood, metal, bakelite and other compositions.

Reduced Construction Costs Are Credited to These Joist and Timber Hangers as Well as Increased Strength.
Science and the Clothes Closet

COMMON sense tells us that the clothes closet can no more be neglected than can bath rooms or kitchens. In comparison to its function, the clothes closet has been given scant attention. Science has pointed the way to better fixtures, better lighting, better heating. Why not invoke its aid in the protection and safe storage of valuable furs and clothing?

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The chief enemies of clothing are moths, dust, fire and burglary. Ineffectually, we have fought moths and dust with the cedar chest and later with the cedar-lined closet. Now science tells us that we can't expect complete or even adequate protection by cedar odor alone. In fact, cedar will kill only the young moth larvae or grubs, the ones that do but little damage. On the other hand, the large ones, those that are really destructive, are unharmed by cedar.

The most recent Government Bulletin No. 1051 on cedar chests states that: "Cedar chests can not be depended upon to kill half to full grown larvae."

Now it is characteristic of at least some scientists to state what you can't do and let it go at that. But not so with Government bulletin mentioned above which goes on to say that fumigation is the one reliable and satisfactory way of eliminating moths. But it is convenient and reliable only when used in an air-tight clothes container. In other words, the fumigant loses its power if allowed to escape.

Constructed of a special building material, the clothes vault fills this need for an effective fumigation chamber for moths and also for bacteria or germ life. Not only that, but the vault being air-tight is also dust-proof and damp-proof.

No longer need the housewife go through the laborious process of sunning, brushing and beating her clothing, then putting them away in evil-smelling chests or bags, whose only merit is their cheapness. This process is something the housewife can rely on, absolutely. Eternal vigilance was heretofore the price one had to pay for moth protection; now it is a matter of an inexpensive fumigation in the vault once in every three or four months.

On the inside of each vault's door is posted a copy of the government letter of approval on the process. In fact, the government has purchased one of the large vaults for use in their Washington laboratory. Likewise the Field Museum of Chicago has requisitioned eight special vaults for use in preserving their valuable specimens. Over a dozen of the larger warehouses of the country have installed large vaults of this character for exterminating moths in furniture, rugs, etc.

This clothes vault, presents no servicing problem to the builder and no grief. In this respect it is probably unique among new mechanical devices. The immense appeal of this convenient, new type of clothes closet to the housewife is all out of proportion to its reasonable cost. Consequently the speculative builder has eagerly welcomed this new contribution of science and is building in containers of this character in even moderate priced homes.

Highly Portable Trail Mixer

THE trail mixer shown here has found particular favor on construction work where portability is of prime importance. As an example of the portability of this mixer it is extensively used by telephone companies, street railway companies and municipal gas companies. Work of this type often necessitates putting in two concrete jobs, which are twenty miles apart, on the same day. Such jobs are handled by this mixer every day in the year all over the country.

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**Now the Kitchen Wall Cabinet**

The development of the kitchen cabinet and a number of other modern conveniences has done much to take the labor out of housekeeping and keep the kitchen neat and the kitchen appliances in good condition. But none of this equipment has ever provided the proper sort of a place for drying and keeping towels, soaps, cleaning powders, brushes, knives and such small utensils where they will be handy and well cared for.

Now comes the kitchen wall cabinet, made in both wall and recess styles, which provides for all these things and saves many steps running around the kitchen for articles that are needed. The cabinet is made in two sizes, 51 by 19 by 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches and 34 by 19 by 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Both are of 18 gauge furniture steel finished with the highest grade white enamel, baked on. Fittings are nickel plated, shelves, mirror and knobs of plate glass, a bracket of wood keeps knives from being dulled, and spring clips care for brushes and all other sundries. Sliding towel bars provide nine feet of drying space.

In the smaller size there are four compartments served by two doors while the larger size has four compartments and four doors. One of these four doors is backed with a plate glass mirror. The glass shelves are adjustable so that supplies of all sizes may be accommodated conveniently.

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A NOUNCEMENT is made of a new light trucking unit. The equipment is a combination of a standard runabout with rear deck replaced by a pick-up body.

This will prove of unusual interest to contractors, retail tradesmen, dairymen, farmers and others who are faced with the problem of securing rapid transportation of light loads at low cost.

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For Rapid Transportation at Low Cost This Pick-Up Body, Replacing the Rear Deck on a Standard Runabout Chassis, Should Prove a Great Convenience to the Contractor.
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Cutting the Common Rafter

By JOHN T. NEUFELD

We discussed the various methods of finding the lengths of rafters in our last lesson. Obtaining the cuts for the rafters is closely related to finding the lengths. We will find that very often the methods employed to find the length of a rafter will also give us the cut.

The cut at the upper end of the rafter is referred to as the TOP CUT, PLUMB CUT, VERTICAL CUT or RIDGE CUT. The cut at the lower end may be referred to as the SEAT CUT, HORIZONTAL CUT or BOTTOM CUT. The bottom cut sometimes requires both a horizontal and also a vertical cut as shown in Fig. 15. This is called a bird’s-mouth.

If we carefully examine the top cut and the seat cut we find that the top cut of the rafter coincides with a line straight down or vertical and that the bottom cut coincides with a horizontal line, also that the two lines form a right angle where they meet. We, therefore, learn one thing, “The top and seat cut of the common rafter are always at right angles to each other.” This makes it convenient to use the square.

If we assume a huge square placed alongside of the rafter as shown in Fig. 11, we see that the edge of the tongue coincides with the top cut of the rafter, and the edge of the blade coincides with the bottom cut. If the square were marked in feet it would show the total run of the rafter on the blade and the total rise of the rafter on the tongue.

This gives us one method of laying out the cuts for the common rafter. In place of the feet on this large square we use inches on the regular square. To lay out the cut for the rafter shown we would take the No. 20 on the blade of the square, and the No. 10 on the tongue of the square. The square must then be laid on the board so that the 20 and 10 come on the edge of the board or on the measuring line as shown in the illustrations.

The question has been repeatedly asked, why use the measuring line and not the back or upper edge of the rafter? We may use either one, if we understand how to measure. By observing or studying the several illustrations given herewith we see that the edge of the plate, from which we generally calculate, is not on the upper edge of the rafter in most cases. Therefore, the length of the rafter obtained when figuring by the different methods is not along the edge of the rafter but along a line which passes through the point on the edge of the plate. In studying roof framing it is, therefore, best to make this point clear, so that errors as shown in Fig. 18 may not happen. A beginner is apt to make this error if he does not understand this point clearly.

We have now learned one method of laying out the top and bottom cut for the common rafter. Expressing this in a rule, we may say, to lay out the top and bottom cuts for the common rafter take the numbers representing the total run of the rafter in feet on the blade of the square and the number representing the total rise in feet on the tongue of the square. For the bottom cut mark along the blade and for the top cut mark along the tongue.

The larger arm of the square is called the blade or body of the square and the smaller arm is called the tongue.

We will next study the little square on the left-hand side of Fig. 11 and Fig. 12. Here the square is placed so that 1 foot or 12 inches on the blade coincides with the edge of the plate. The blade of the square then covers 1 foot of run of the rafter and the tongue, of course, must show the rise of the rafter for 1 foot. As the edge of the blade now coincides with the bottom or horizontal cut of the rafter it gives us another method of obtaining this cut, that is, take 12 inches on the blade and the rise per foot run on the tongue and lay the square on the board.
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Fig. 17—A rafter problem where the span is in uneven feet.

The rafter illustrated in Fig. 17 presents a good problem to further illustrate some of the things that we have learned in this and the preceding lessons.

This rafter is drawn to have a 10-inch rise per foot run. For every foot of run we have 2 feet of span—that is, the span is twice the run. The proportion of the rise to the span, therefore, is 10 inches to 24 inches, or 2 feet. The pitch is rise \div span = \frac{10}{24} = \frac{5}{12}.

As the rise is 10 inches per foot run we use 12 and 10 on the square to obtain the cuts. Fig. 15 shows how the bird’s-mouth cut at the seat is laid out. The overhang is 2 feet wide; therefore, the square is applied twice to get the length of this overhang. This figure also illustrates how the square is applied to get the length of the rafter. Beginning at the seat cut the square must be applied six times for the 6 feet of run. This leaves a fraction of a foot (8 inches). This is taken care of by applying the square as shown in Fig. 16. In this case we have subtracted the thickness of the ridgeboard from the run (dropping one-sixteenth of an inch).

If the total run is an even number of feet it may be just as simple to calculate the length of the rafter to the center of the ridgeboard, mark the top cut, and then subtract for the ridgeboard by measuring back thirteen-sixteenths of an inch, which is one-half the thickness of the ridgeboard. This is shown in the little sketch in Fig. 17.

Problems

Fig. 19 illustrates a type of roof very common today. The problems of this lesson will be based on this roof.

Note that the plates are not at even height. This puts the ridge of the roof to one side of the center. The total span is 27 feet. The rafter on the rear side has a run of 11 feet and the front rafter has a run of 16 feet. These rafters have the same pitch. The pitch is one-third, making the rise, per foot run, 8 inches.

1. In the rafter tables on a steel square we find the length per foot run of a one-third pitch rafter gives us 14 5/12 inches. Find the length of the rafter for the rear of the house.

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PLASTER can be no more permanent than the base upon which it is applied. Possibly this has been said before in this series of articles, but even if so, it is worthy of repetition, for there is nothing upon which the continued interior beauty of the finished home is more dependent. This material, hidden away as it is in a new house, under successive coats of plaster comes in for little thought on the part of the owner.

If the owner of the new home is fortunate in having a good and conscientious builder, he will be able to forget the fact that there is such a material as lath in his home. Unfortunately this too often proves to be one of those things, which "might have been."

For about the time the family gets nicely settled in the new home the new home is likely to do a little settling itself. It is then that the caliber of the builder and the materials he used come in for a test.

Often a deficiency in the lath makes itself known first by a series of cracks which appear in the walls. Possibly this is not the fault of the plaster base, but the fault of the framing of the home as was explained in the article published in this department last month. But at any rate the cracks are there and must be patched.

Unfortunately this patching of plaster is only part of the problem and expense involved. Whatever decorations have been chosen for the walls must be done over again, and even so there is no definite assurance that more cracks will not appear after the patching and redecorating are completed.

Another condition which is all too common is the appearance of "lath shadows" upon the ceilings and walls of rooms. In these cases, which all of us have seen, the lath seems to take substance and show through the plaster, and whatever decorations there may be, like the ribs show through the hide of a starved, flea-bitten horse.

These lath shadows, so often blamed on the dust settling through the plaster, because they usually appear more pronounced in the ceiling of the room, are really caused by dust which has been caught in the condensation of moisture in the more poorly insulated portions of the wall or ceiling.

Look carefully at the next case of this kind which you see. You will notice that the darker portions are directly opposite the lath, while the wider portions over the lath are more nearly original color of the finish.

Dust gathers most where there is the greatest difference between the temperature of the room and the temperature of the space above the room. This is in the space where the plaster keys through the wood lath, affording a ready avenue for the conduction of heat. The wood lath is relatively a poorer conductor than the plaster, so under the space backed by the lath the condensation is less.

Consequently when the moisture in the air is condensed in tiny "dust catching globules, it is concentrated on the strips opposite the space between the lath. Here is collected the dust from sweeping, the soot and coal dust and ashes from the basement and the dirt blow in through open windows. Bit by bit the minute particles gather until the pronounced streaking becomes apparent, until redecoration again is necessary.

You will find upon investigation that even on wood lath the only work which is discolored is likely to be only two coat plaster. It is possible in most cases that the trouble would have been lessened by placing another coat of plaster on the walls at the time the house was built. In a ceiling or wall erected on a base of metal lath, the entire surface is made into what is virtually a single slab, with equal heat conductivity in all directions and this trouble is not encountered.

If you are still skeptical as to this being the cause of plaster discolorations, investigate and find the trouble comes most often in the outside walls of kitchens and bathrooms, because the prevalence of moisture and large temperature difference between the indoor and outdoor air. The same condition prevails in upper rooms, on the ceilings which are more exposed to large differences in temperature than in the rooms on the floors below.

There are many bases for plaster now on the market, but probably the two most commonly known are wood lath and metal, with plaster board finding some advocates. The wood lath has been with American builders for many years, but hardly in its present form. There was a time when only the best of white pine was used for lath, hand split and free from defects. This is no longer true, and the person who uses this material should be exceedingly careful to see that the lath are of the proper quality.

The fact is that some of the poorer quality of lumber now used, by force of circumstances on account of the scarcity of better grades, for certain kinds of wood lath contain natural acids which are injurious to plaster and great care should be exercised to select only such lath as is free from destructive elements. The manner in which the lath are applied and the size of nails used are not the least important.

Concerning this material, the specifications recommended by the Contracting Plasterers' International Association "says:"

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This same authority, states, as to the manner in which the wood lath is to be applied:

All wood lath shall be nailed to each stud, joist or bearing, with joints broken, not over seven lath to a break, a vertical or diagonal lathing allowed, a full ¾-inch key to be left for time and mortar and not less than ¾ inch for hard plaster.

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- The lathing should be started on the ceiling of the room, bending the ceiling sheet down 6 inches on the side walls. If the floor above is not of wood joists, lathing should be started at the top of the wall and worked downward. The lath should be bent into vertical corners by carrying around 6 inches on to masonry walls, or if the adjoining wall is of wood studs, start sheet there, one stud away from the corner. The material may be treated roughly with a lather's hatchet to tuck it into the corners. No butt joint should be permitted in any corner.

- It is essential in applying metal lath to be sure that the top side is up. The strands of diamond lath are tilted slightly. Care should be taken so that the strand is tilted down and away from the worker. This provides miniature shelves on which the plaster is given support and assists the plasterer greatly in getting a good job.

- In starting the metal lath at the top of the room and working down, lap the lower sheet over the upper not less than ½ inch in the case of flat lath. Where rib lath are used, merely to the next rib. This manner of lapping the lower sheet over the upper prevents catching the trowel when the plasterer works his trowel upward. The ends of the sheet should be lapped only over supports and the lap should be not less than 1 inch. Adjacent sheets of lath should be wired together once between supports to prevent bulging and to stiffen the surface under the trowel.

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110 feet in diameter, each side measuring 42 feet, and the inside clear space is 50 feet wide. There is a 9-foot basement under the barn. Outside wall posts reach 18 feet above the top of the basement, while 40-foot posts are used for the main part of the barn. The roof of the main barn and the cupola are supported by two lattice trusses 50 feet long. The building is constructed of wood throughout.

One of the unusual features is the construction of two silos inside the main portion of the barn and entirely hidden from the outside. The hay loft occupies the space above the outer portion of the building only, the main portion being open clear to the roof. A driveway runs clear through the building from front to rear and good ventilation is provided by means of several well placed air shafts. There is a ventilator on top of the barn which was installed after the photograph shown here was taken.

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Up to the final perfection of the original material developed for obtaining the texture wall, there had been many ways of approaching the defects. Many painters still make up a combination of calcimine, whitening, glue, etc., which sometimes gives fairly good results, but often comes peeling off the walls when proportions have not been accurately estimated or the surface to be treated happens to be not quite right. Uneven and very limited effects may also be obtained with a lead and oil combination which is ridiculously costly in comparison with the results so laboriously obtained.

And there are other attempts to meet the demand, materials which will work here and not there, mixtures which will set up in the pail if the painter happens to meet with unavoidable delays, and so on ad infinitum. What the builder wants is a material which will always stick to the given surface, which will not set up in the pail; which will give him time to work with it on the walls or ceilings, in short, a prepared material chemically perfected to assure success to the man who uses it.

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Most interesting also to the particular builder is the fact that textured walls are by no means exclusively meant for the rich man. If such were the case the demand would hardly be sufficient to warrant the production on a national scale of a material suitable for the purpose. The product must be as universal as paint, fit for the carrying out of the most artistic conceptions in mural decoration and adapted also for use in the most inexpensive of cottages where the demand for beauty and permanency must be reconciled to the limitations of a thin purse. Sometimes it is a money-saver in actual dollars and cents when used over one or two coats of floated rough plaster or over one of the rigid, gypsum centered wallboards without paneling.

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The accompanying photograph is that of the Santa Maria Apartment Building, erected in Oak Park, Ill., by W. P. Morrisey, under plans and specifications of Mr. Roy France, Architect, Chicago, Ill. This apartment building is the last word in efficiency in design and space conservation. The architect, in planning this beautiful building, had foremost in his mind the idea of giving the utmost living comfort without losing one inch of valuable space. This is very essential where land values are immensely high. However, this same idea of space conservation is just as essential in building the smaller homes, especially with the present costs of building materials and labor. We show here a typical apartment design with space-saving utilities adaptable for either the home or the apartment.

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It seems that if the builder can show to a prospective client a small compact home at a very fair cost— even in these times of high cost—that a great many people can be sold on the idea of building now who otherwise will delay their building operation or their contemplated building for a long time.

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Improve City Entrances

The nation-wide campaign, initiated by the National Association of Real Estate Boards, for the cleaning up of properties along railroad right of ways is making most satisfactory progress and is being combined, in a number of cities, with a general campaign for improving the appearance of the entire city. Approximately 80 cities are undertaking, under the leadership of their real estate boards, the improvement of their appearance as presented to travelers passing through them by rail.

Work is being carried on with the co-operation of railroad companies, industrial companies having railroad frontage, civic organizations, the newspapers and business men of the communities. In Long Beach, Calif., the City Council has endorsed the movement and offered the use of city wagons and other equipment.

Improvements vary all the way from temporary screening of city dumps to the tearing down of unsightly, abandoned buildings and the boulevarding of right of ways with trees and flowers.

Code of Ethical Practice

Associated General Contractors announce that the Code of Ethical Practice is ready for distribution to the membership of the Association in pamphlet form. This is the code adopted last January, by the Association, which will govern the members in their relations with client, owners and the public, with other agencies of construction and with members of their own profession. It is separated into the following divisions: Owners and the Public; Engineering and Architectural Professions; Sub-contractors and Those Who Supply Materials; Operating in Foreign Territory; Discipline.

An additional supply of copies, beyond those now being sent to members of the Association, will be available for other distribution and quantities of the pamphlet are to be secured at nominal costs.
The Carver-Economy Wall

Part 3—Full Preliminary Details and Data on Cost Properties and Instructions for Its Erection

By WILLIAM CARVER, Architect

Locating the Window Openings:
16. When five or more courses (see paragraph 14) of brickwork with the pilasters have been laid in running bond we are ready for the header course. Before the latter is placed, however, the windows and doors should be located. It will be possible in many cases to slightly shift the position of these openings to make the jambs coincide with the location of one or both of the pilasters. (Fig. 1.) Where this is impossible it will be necessary to build up special pilasters to form the jambs. These should now be started and carried up to the bonding course.

Window Sill:
17. Where brick sills are desired (these being the most suitable for this and all other types of brick construction), place a 2-inch by 2-inch or 2-inch by 4-inch strip (depending on the span) to support the brick on edge forming the window sill, upon which latter the window frame is bedded and placed in the ordinary way. This strip is laid with its face flush with the brick pilasters. On top of each end of the strip is nailed a metal anchor consisting of a short piece of hoop iron or a metal wall tie extending into the brickwork behind.

Supports for Furring Strips on Pilasters:
18. The vertical strips supporting the lath for plastering are 2-inch by 2-inch strips where they occur between pilasters. (Fig. 4.) Where strips are needed in front of pilasters to keep the 16-inch o. c. spacing, these are 4½ inch by 1½ inches. Provision should be made on the face of each pilaster for attaching these strips. This is best done by building an occasional horizontal plasterer's lath into a joint of every pilaster, these laths occurring about every 2 feet vertically.

19. A plasterer's lath for the same purpose should also be built into the joint between the Flemish header course of the joist support and the stretcher course above. (See various detail sections.)

Construction Over Window and Door Heads:
20. The special pilasters (if any) which were built to form window and door jambs are not carried any higher than the heads of these openings. (Fig. 1.) The exterior 4-inch thickness of brickwork over the openings may be supported either by an angle or by an arch. Where a pilaster occurs over an opening, this should preferably be supported on a steel lintel. Except for very small openings, the thrust of the ends of a relieving arch could not with safety be withstood by the pilasters even if headers should be placed at the intersection. A 2-inch by 2-inch horizontal nailing strip should be provided at the window head for the support of the furring strips. This nailing strip should be anchored into the brickwork in the same way as the strip below the sill.

21. Where no pilaster occurs above the opening, the 2-inch is needed to support the furring strips and for nailing the trim. Fig. 10 shows details for window and door frames.

Metal Strip Over Window and Door Frames:
22. To eliminate all danger of moisture condensing on the inside of the 4-inch wall and finding its way into the building, a piece of metal (galvanized metal is preferable) about 2½ inches wide and the length of the window or door frame is used as shown in Fig. 5. The edge of the metal is placed between the vertical portion of the exterior steel angle lintel and the brickwork (or between the outside of the frame and the arch, if the outside 4 inches of brickwork is supported by an arch). The portion projecting on the inside of the wall is bent up again with the top about ½ inch away from the pilaster. In this position the metal strip will drain any condensation to the outside of the building. (Continued on page 278...
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Floor Support:

23. This wall is adapted for ordinary two story and attic houses. It is desirable always in a two story house to carry the floor support around on all sides of the building at the second floor line and also across gable wall to support attic joists and special pilasters for attic windows. In addition, this floor support feature renders the house much more fire resistive and stiffens the whole structure. The floor support feature is shown in Figs. 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, and is constructed as follows:

24. At a distance of 4 courses below the bottom of the joists, corbel out the tops of the pilasters as detailed by using three full headers placed together. Upon these headers place lengths of 2 inches by 4 inches, projecting the proper distance from the wall, may be used instead of pieces of 2 inches by 6 inches. These wood pieces should have a 4-inch bearing at each end of the pilasters, leaving 4 inches of brickwork between the ends of the pieces. The wood pieces are supported by brick “shims” to make the top come level with the top of the brick in the course. Upon this wood member is laid a “Flemish header course” 8 inches thick, as shown. (Fig. 2.) On top of the Flemish header course is placed a stretcher course. The lengths of 2 inches by 4 inches or 2 inches by 6 inches are laid in the wall primarily to give the floor construction the necessary stiffness during the course of erection, and to provide nailing for the vertical furring pieces.

25. When the wall has been built a few courses above the second floor level the wood member is not necessary for the support of the floor.

(To be concluded in July American Builder.)

Roof Framing

(Continued from page 258.)

2. Find the length of the rafter for the front part of the house.

3. What numbers on the square should be used to lay out the top and bottom cuts for these two rafters?

4. The dormer rafter has a 33-inch rise per foot run. What is the total rise in 10 feet?

5. The length per foot run for a rafter having a 3-inch rise per foot run is given on a rafter table as 12.57 inches. What is the length of the rafter for the dormer?

6. What numbers on the square may be used to obtain the top and bottom cuts of this rafter? Give two sets of numbers that may be used.

Answers

1. The rafter has a run of 11 feet. The length per foot run is 14 5/12 inches. The total length is $11 \times 14 \frac{5}{12} = 154 \frac{55}{12} = 158 \frac{7}{12}$ inches, or 13 feet, 9 inches.

2. The length of the rafter for the front part of this house is $16 \times 14 \frac{5}{12} = 224 \frac{80}{12} = 230\frac{8}{12}$, or 19 feet 2 2/3 inches.

3. The rise per foot run is 8 inches; therefore, use 8 on the tongue and 12 on the blade to obtain the top and bottom cuts for the two main rafters.

4. The total rise for the dormer rafter is $10 + 3 = 30$ inches, or 2 feet 6 inches.

5. The length per foot run of the dormer rafter is 12.37 inches and there are 10 feet in the run. The total length, therefore, is $10 \times 12.37 = 123.7$ inches, or 10 feet 3.7 inches (10 feet 3\ 11/16 inches).

6. We may use the numbers representing the total rise and the total run. (The total rise is 2\ 2/5 feet and the run is 10 feet. Therefore, we may use 10 on the blade and 2\ 2/5 on the tongue to get the top and bottom cuts for the dormer rafter.

As the rise per foot run is 3 inches we may also use 3 on the tongue and 12 on the blade to lay out the top and bottom cuts for this rafter.
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How to Reduce Costs on Roof Framing by Using a Power Woodworker

Mr. John T. Neufeld has been presenting some very instructive articles on roof framing, and how to get all the cuts on the steel square. Many builders are now equipped with power woodworkers on the job or in the nearby shop and it will save a lot of time and labor if all of these rafter cuts can be made by machine instead of by hand sawing.

Taking a typical hip roof with projecting wing which gives us every kind of rafters, we will demonstrate all of the cuts the way they are made on a power machine which has a tilting table and a swinging arbor saw.

The upper part of Fig. 1 illustrates an ordinary hip and valley roof. The lower part shows this same roof in plan or as it appears when looking directly down upon it.

“A” is the plate on which the rafters rest. This is ordinarily built of two by fours or two by sixes, with squared off ends, making a butt joint at the corners. On the woodworking machine this cut is very simply made—a straight right angle cut-off with the table level and the cross-cut gauge set at right angles to the saw.

“B” is the ridge board which can be made of one-inch material. The ridge board is not always used and in many cases is not necessary.

“C” is a common rafter. This is a rafter extending from plate to ridge and not connected to any other rafter. Both ends of the common rafter are given the plumb cut, and there is also the seat cut or notch, to be made where the rafter crosses the plate. The proper slope for these cuts, of course, depends on the pitch of the roof. After a pattern rafter has been made, adjust the cross-cut gauge on the woodworking machine to the proper angle to match the pattern, and then all of the common rafters can be quickly cut.

For notching the common rafters at the plate, the dado head is convenient. The saw table is tilted to the proper angle and lowered to the point so that the dado head will cut into the full depth desired for the notch. After all of the rafters are run through for the first cut the table is raised just a little and a second cut with the dado head is made to complete the notch.

Thus the common rafters are quickly cut to length and to the proper bevel on both ends, and the notch where the rafter rests on the plate is cut out.

“D” is the hip rafter. This is the rafter that forms the hip or ridge in the roof, usually extending from the corner of the building diagonally to the ridge. The length of the hip rafter is 17 inches for every 12 inches of the common rafter. The cuts of the hip are the same as the common rafter extending from plate to ridge and not connected to any other rafter. Both ends of the common rafter are given the plumb cut, and there is also the seat cut or notch, to be made where the rafter crosses the plate. The proper slope for these cuts, of course, depends on the pitch of the roof. After a pattern rafter has been made, adjust the cross-cut gauge on the woodworking machine to the proper angle to match the pattern, and then all of the common rafters can be quickly cut.

Fig. 1. Illustrating Parts of a Hip Roof. The lower figure shows it as it appears from above.

Fig. 2. Squaring Off Ends on Power Saw—Table Level, Gauge Square.

Fig. 3. Cutting Off Rafter Ends—Table Level, Gauge Set at Angle.
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Fig. 4. With Table Tilted the Dado Head Cuts Out the Seat Notch in Two Bites.

Fig. 5. Double Mitering Is Done by Tilting the Table and Angling the Gauge.

Fig. 6. Dado Head Notches the Studs for Ribbon.

together at the peak of the roof. These mitering cuts are easily made on the power saw by tilting the table and adjusting the cross-cut gauge.

"E" is the valley rafter. This is similar to the hip except that it forms a valley or depression in the roof instead of the ridge or hip.

"F" is a jack rafter. The tail cut and the notching are the same as for the common rafters and are handled similarly on the power woodworking machine. But for the cut where the jack fits against the hip, the double miter is necessary and this again is easily handled by tilting the table and adjusting the cross-cut gauge to the proper angle.

"G" is a valley jack. The top cut is simple, but the bottom cut comes against the valley rafter and requires a double miter which is handled the same as for the jack rafter. In fact, the valley jack is simply a jack rafter reversed.

"H" is a cripple jack, or short rafter cut in between a hip and a valley. They are uniform in length but each end has a double miter which can be very easily handled on the woodworking machine by setting the cross-cut gauge and tilting the table to the proper angle.

Other cuts frequently required in framing a building are to notch the studs for the ribbon which supports the joists. This notching is very easily done on the power woodworker by using the dado head. The dado head, in fact, is a very useful tool, is handy for rabbeting and grooving such as is often required. Then with the saw and the ripping gauge, straight ripping is done with the table flat; or by tilting the table, bevel ripping is handled easily and accurately.

Old, experienced machine operators learn many little tricks and stunts which let them get away with all kinds of work on the machine—work which, to the novice, would seem impractical if not impossible. But it is with experience and use that the full value of the modern power woodworker on the job, with its various attachments, is fully realized.
CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS DEPENDS ON EQUIPMENT

Power Is the Genie Which Speeds Up Work

BUILDING—the most ancient of arts—has made wonderful progress through the application of power. Power multiplies production and sets the mark of efficiency ever higher. Each year's developments in labor-saving machinery and mechanical efficiency mark new milestones in the march of progress. Looking back into history, former methods have passed away. The modern builder has at his command giant derricks, steam shovels, hoists and cranes to aid him in fabricating buildings. The same principle of substituting machinery and power for human labor is constantly finding more extended application. More of the cutting, molding and fabricating of building material is being done, each year, by mechanical means. Power saws, woodworkers, concrete mixers, excavators, conveyors, floor surfacers and dozens of other power tools and equipment are continually speeding up the work and saving human labor. There is a continual improvement, also, in the design and manufacture of hand tools, making for greater convenience and precision in building work.

The controlling element in building costs is labor and there is an admitted shortage of skilled building labor. Power tools and labor-saving equipment are, therefore, becoming of greater importance each year. They are and will continue to be the main factors in preventing building costs from becoming prohibitive. Improvement in quality and reduction in costs is bound to stimulate the building industry and benefit both builders and building labor. The artisan, the mechanic—even the craftsman—can increase both the quantity and the quality of his output by the increased use of power and mechanical equipment. By these means the workman becomes the master—power, the slave.

For Reference and Checking List of Building Materials See Pages 189 to 203
Contractors’ Equipment Section

POWER tools, gas, steam and electric contractors’ machinery of all kinds are included in this list, as well as equipment for the woodworking shop and hand tools for the various building trades. It will pay any builder to look over this section carefully and decide whether additional equipment would not reduce time, costs and labor and increase his volume of work and profits.

Labor-saving appliances will usually more than pay for themselves so that it is an extravagance not to have them if the job at all justifies their use. Right here is where many builders on small contracts go astray. They often assume that it does not pay to take any special equipment to a small contract. The foundation footings, cellar floor and outside walls will justify a concrete mixer on almost any residential or store building job. A power saw or woodworker will also justify itself on most small work if it is only to cut the rafter beams, boards and do the ripping and jointing. In fact, there are a great many appliances, such as steel scaffold brackets, floor surfacers and numerous other items which are profitable for most builders.

Many builders use enough concrete masonry to justify them in making their own block and tile. Started as a side line, often it has developed into a profitable business by itself, as the use of these products has steadily increased.

When builders are handling big jobs, such as steel frame, reinforced concrete, mill construction and similar work, the more completely equipped they are with power tools and labor-saving appliance, the lower will be the completed cost of the buildings and the more satisfactory and profitable to all concerned.

Attention is called to the arrangement of the contractors’ equipment list which follows. For greater convenience, it has been divided into five general groups: BUILDERS’ EQUIPMENT MOST COMMONLY USED, HEAVY CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT FOR CONCRETE PRODUCTS PLANTS, EQUIPMENT FOR THE POWER WOODWORKING SHOP and HAND TOOLS.

 Builders’ Equipment Most Commonly Used

Air Brushes Air Compressors Automobiles Auto Dump Wagons Back hoists Ball Bearing Chain Blocks Ball Bearing Sheaves Bar Benders Bar Cutters

Batch Boxes—Steel Battery Charging Outfits Bleaching Accessories Block—Repe Blew Torches Blocks and Tackle Blue Print Machines Brad Set—Magnetic Branding Irons

Brick Clamps Brick Cleaning Machine Bridge—Steel Bridging—Steel-Galvanized Building Material Elevators Calking Gun Canvas Covers Canvas Covers, Asphalt Treated Copeman Mounted on Wheels Cement Bag Baler Chain and Hooks Chain Blocks Chain Clamps Chain Drills Chain Hoists Clamping Benches Crushers and Pulverizers Concreting Equipment Concrete Carts Concrete Inserts Construction Forms Concrete Torches—Gasoline Column Forms Form Clamps Distributing Towers Combination Hoist and Spout Inserts Masts Spouts Forms—Metal I Beam Forms—Construction Forms—Shop Molds Forms—T Beam and Metal Wall Machines Wall Machines—Double Monolithic Tamper

Concrete Mixers Batch Hand Wheel Operated Tilter with Steel Rim Wheels Tilter with Disc Wheels, Rubber Tired Drum Type Mixers Mixers with Charging Platforms Mounted on Motor Truck Power Loaders—Side Power Loaders—End Continuous Mixers Concrete Plant Mixers Cold Chisels

Conveyors Gravity Roller Portable Power Belt Power Chain Stait

For Complete Checking List of Material and Equipment Used in All Classes of Buildings. See pages 189 to 203.
Equipment and Tools Checking List

Cove Base Machinery—Electric
Crane
Crane and Derrick—Hand Power
Derricks—Pole
Derricks—Tripod
Derricks—Truck
Craw Bar
Dirt Scrapers
Disc Grinders
Drawing Instruments
Drilling Machinery

DRILLS
Blind Hole Core Electric Rock Dryer—Air—Fan Blast Dump Bodies—Truck Dump Carts Dump Wagons Electric Hammers Elevator Machinery Elevator Buckets Elevator—Portable Engines—Gasoline Engines—Kerosene Engines—Steam Excavating Plows Excavators

FLOODLIGHTS
Acetylene Electric Gasoline Floor Polishing Machines Floor Scrapers—Hand Floor Sanders—Power Floor Surfaces—Power Folding Rules Forms—Steel Wall and Column Gine Poles Gine Pots—Electric Gravel Washers and Plants Grind Stone Tiller Trailer Hammers, Electric Hammers, Pneumatic Hand Carts Hatchets Heating Kettles

HOISTS
Account Books—Bound Account Sheets—Loose Leaf Accounting Systems Adding Machines Calculating Machines Checkbooks Contract Forms Decks—Plat Top Decks—Roll Top Filing Cabinets—Wood Filing Cabinets—Steel Index Cards Letterheads—Engraved Letterheads—Printed

BILLHEADS
Billheads—Engraved Billheads—Printed Service Books Statements—Engraved Statements—Printed Typewriters

Acetylene Cutting and Welding Equipment

POWER SAWS
Portable Bench Drag Box Saw Machines Trailer Mounted Woodworkers—Portable, Electric Drive Woodworkers—Portable, Gasoline Drive Power Take-Off (Automobile) Power Tools—Combination Wood and Metal Cutting

PUMPS

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Heavy Construction Equipment

Adzes
Air Compressors
Anvils
Apron Drums
Ball Bearing Shafts
Bar Benders and Cutters
Adjustable Measuring BatteHs
Bolting Heads
Batch Boxes—Steel
Bench Charging Outfits
Bin Gates
Blanking Accessories
Blocks and Tackle
Blowpipes
Blueprint Machines
Brown Trenchers
Bolters
Breaking Irons
Brick Clamps
Bucket—Craneshovel
Bucket—Dragline
Building Material Elevators
Canvas Covers
Canvas Scaffolds
Capstone Mounted on Wheels
Car Ladders
Chain Blocks
Chain Hoists
Clamping Benches
Cone Crushers—Steel
Chutes—Gravity
Calculating Machines
Combination Crusher, Loader and Gravel Screener
CONCRETE EQUIPMENT
Concrete Carts
Concrete Torches—Gasoline
Concrete Wall Machines
Column Clamps
Column Forms
Concrete Forms
Concrete and Gunter Forms
Concrete Forms

Clamshells
Dugmole
Draped
Flushing
Foundation
Gasoline
Locomotive
Motor Truck
Pipe Driving
Trenches
Portable
Trenches
Tower
Trenches
Wrecking
Steel
Concrete
Electric
Trenches
Grab Bucket
Gasoline
Gasoline Hoist
Derricks
Leg Lifts
Platform
Reversible
Steak
Steak
Reversible
Steam
Gasoline
Electric
Jack—Lifting
Ladder Brackets
Ladders
Level Glasses
Level Gages
Levels—Aluminum
Levels—Iron
Ladders—Car and Wagon
Ladders—Portable
LOCOMOTIVES
Compressed Air
Steam
Gasoline
Storage Battery
Mortar Mixers—Power
Mortar Mixers—Hand
Mortars—Electric
Motor Trucks

Motor Truck Stake Irons and Body Ledges
Motor—Electric
Motors—Gasoline
Pipe Drivers
Pipe Driver Hammers—Steam
Plates—Wood
Plates—Concrete
Piling—Interlocking Steel
Poles—Crescented
PUMPS
Air Displacement
Hoses—Automatic Electric
Centrifugal—Spiral
Compressed Air
Diaphragm
Electric Drive
Gasoline
Rock Crushers
Rope—Wire
Rope—Manila
Round Machines
Routers
Rope—Transmission
Salvages
Saws—Electric
Scaffold Brackets
Scaffolds—Steel

SHOVELS
Gasoline
Electric
Hand
Steel
Sidewalk Forms—Steel
Storage Bins—Steel
Tractors
Transits
Trenching Machines
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All the Form Lumber for the Big Reinforced Concrete Building Shown in the Upper Picture Was Cut by Power Saws. Towers, spouts, derricks and hoists show plainly in both pictures and there were many other items of equipment in use which do not show.

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There Are Over 80 Tools in This Very Complete Cabinet, Equipping the Carpenter for Almost Any Kind of Work. The more complete the equipment, the greater the convenience and time saving.

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Cement Block Moulds
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Clergy Covers
Clamp Carriers
Clutches—Fricioa
Column Bases
Column Molds
Concrete Carts
Concrete Colors
Concrete Mixers for Products Plants
Batch
Continuous
Drum
Mounted
On Skids
Shovel
Tilter

Concrete Mixers for Products Plants
Batch
Continuous
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Conveyors
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Belt
Bucket
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Engines, Steam
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Facing, Special
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Block and Tile Slush
Brick
Chimney Block
Fence Post
Porch Column
Light Standard
Sewer Pipe
Step

Molding Machines
Circular Cell Tile
Concrete Brick
Concrete Drain Tile
Hand Operated
Interlocking Tile
One-Piece Block
Ornamental Concrete
Power Tamper and Strippers
Sewer Pipe
Shovel Block
Two-Piece Block, T-Shaped
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The Scene in the Upper Picture Shows Concrete Brick Being Molded and Set on Metal Covered Pallets and Being Trucked Into Steam Curing Rooms on Special Patented Trucks Which Enable One Man to Handle 25,000 Brick Per Day. The Toledo plant shown in the lower picture has a capacity of 6,800 hollow concrete tile per day.
Meeting the Demand for Concrete Building Units

By J. D. WILDER

When winter has drawn its last breath and is beating a reluctant retreat in the face of the advancing spring season, to many people spring means putting into execution the plans for a new home which have been developed during the long winter evenings. This phase of the construction industry, home building, throws that industry into high gear as soon as the frost is out of the ground and architects and contractors again resume their yearly pleading for prompt delivery of materials.

Naturally all lines of business engaged in the manufacture and distribution of building materials reflect this increased activity. One type of building material, concrete building units, has jumped into an enormously increased popularity during the last few years, and, as a result, concrete products manufacturers, working to the limit of their capacity, have not been able to meet the demand. The popularity of this material is shown by an increase in production of 800 per cent in four years. The jump from a production of 50,000,000 in 1920 to 462,000,000 block in 1924 has been one of the most remarkable occurrences in the building materials field.

This spring, however, conditions were different. Progress manufacturers were prepared with stocks of well cured block manufactured during the winter months to carry them over the first rush of orders. In some localities where the demand was particularly heavy these enterprising products men had built up stocks ranging from 75,000 to several hundred thousand block. Such supplies enabled them to fill orders as they came in and at the same time manufacture and cure new block for later use.

In addition to being able to give immediate service, concrete block manufacturers are realizing other advantages from winter operation of their plants. Architects and contractors are desirous of learning all they can about the materials which they specify and use in their work. Winter time, when they have more leisure, affords them an excellent opportunity to visit products plants and see the methods used to manufacture and cure concrete block. The full storage yard always answers their question of an adequate source of supply.

Building a home is one of the most important events in a person's life and naturally he wants it to be the best that he can build. Consequently he gives a great deal of time and thought to the (Continued to page 316.)
DUNTILE

Is Ushering in a New Era of ECONOMICAL Permanent Construction

This page and the two that follow contain a message of tremendous importance to the man of broad business outlook—to the man who is seeking a larger business opportunity for himself—in short, to the man who understands the present needs of the building industry and therefore will recognize the great moneymaking possibilities of being first in his locality to manufacture an all-purpose unit that puts building on a new plane of economy.

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Think also of these many practical advantages—light weight combined with great strength, exceptional insulating and fire resisting qualities, an easily handled unit with full mortar bed, and accurate dimensions, a wide variety of standard sizes that "key" perfectly with all other building materials. When you get the full facts concerning these important advantages you will understand why we say that YOUR market for DUNTILE is unlimited.

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Surely you are interested in the possibility of a manufacturing plant of your own that requires only a moderate outlay of capital yet offers seldom equaled opportunity to do a large volume of business at an extremely long margin of profit. For proof that such a business is within your grasp, turn to the following pages where are shown typical examples of the astonishing success others are achieving in the manufacture of DUNTILE—success YOU can duplicate.

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YOUR Business Future
Will It Parallel the Manufacturing Independence of these Remarkably Successful Manufacturers of DUNTILE?

$3,500 Investment Becomes $30,000 In 1½ Years

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Prominent Business Men Find Greater Opportunity in DUNTILE

This gentleman, Geo. D. Fister, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, long has been a leading business man in that city and still is president of a local ice company. Within a year of the time of opening his plant DUNTILE had made long strides toward becoming the preferred building unit in Allentown. Men of this calibre—many of them—are attracted to the manufacture of DUNTILE because their business experience and sound judgment enables them to see clearly that this business presents possibilities for immediate profits and steady growth seldom found in any field.

Big City Contractors Enjoy Enormous Expansion

Messrs. Hummel and Hillebrand have been partners for years in one of the most prominent sub-contracting concerns in Toledo. About two years ago they added the making of DUNTILE to their activities with the astonishing result that it almost immediately overshadowed their older business. In fact they expect this year to expand to an extent that will force their complete withdrawal from the contracting field. A number of DUNTILE manufacturers have told us that no other business offers such great possibilities for growth; experiences like this seem to completely prove the truth of this.

If you haven't already done so, be sure to read the preceding page.

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Mr. Harvey Kaufmann was (and is) an architect. His brothers are in the contracting business in the same city, Saginaw, Michigan. When DUNTILE came to their attention they decided to join forces, using DUNTILE as a means of building up a larger volume of contracting. Their hopes have been more than fulfilled. DUNTILE, they tell us, has caused their contracting business to be brisk even during dull times and constantly enables them to get important jobs that could not be had otherwise. “The economy of DUNTILE,” says Mr. Kaufmann, “is the controlling factor in almost every contract”.

Canadian Manufacturer Secures Prize Contracts First Year

The 500 car garage shown on the first page of this announce- ment is but one of several extremely large contracts for DUNTILE obtained by the Duntile Company Limited, of Montreal, during their first year of operation. An even better idea of their success is gained, however, from the fact that in this same period they secured the active support of fourteen leading architects and placed on their books 51 substantial contractors. Obviously there can be only one fundamental reason for such excellent progress—a product that can be offered as the outstanding value and then makes good every claim made for it.

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Buying trucks is not, as it might seem at first glance, a question of buying machinery. It is a question of buying transportation, and that is an entirely different question. A person may select a truck which is as near perfection as any piece of machinery can be, but for the purpose which it is used it may be a very poor unit of transportation.

It is quite generally agreed that the automotive industry, from the manufacturing end at least, has become very well standardized. Any manufacturer who survives the competition of a few years must necessarily turn out a good product for the price it brings. But this fact does not make it possible to select any well known truck and expect to get the greatest and most economical service possible on the work to be done. A truck may be as fine a mechanical unit as it is possible to turn out; it may

This Truck, Hauling Sand from the Pit, Was Carefully Selected for the Work It Was Expected to Do. It is a two-ton model with hydraulic hoist, dump body and pneumatic tires, which makes for quick unloading and good traction even in soft sand.
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In the view below are two of the Internationals. Showing also the up-to-date heavy-duty crane which loads 50 tons of sand or gravel an hour and works at that speed for months on end. That sort of efficiency fits in with International standards and has led to standardization on International Trucks.
Motor Trucks and Trailers

Here is an Example of What the Contractor Must Consider in the Way of Road Conditions. Railroad yards as well as new subdivisions are often soft and make the going most difficult.

A Handy Little Unit Used Here for Advertising But with a Hand Operated Dump Body Which Fits It for Quick Delivery of Small Loads of Bulk Material as Well as Other Material and Tools Needed in a Hurry.

be perfectly suited to one kind of work but for another purpose it may be not only uneconomical but actually an expensive investment. A less expensive truck might serve far more economically.

Before buying transportation equipment, whether it be trucks or trailers, the contractor should make a careful study of the work which it will be called upon to do, and the conditions under which the work will be done. After the requirements have been carefully analyzed he can make an intelligent selection of the equipment which will best meet these requirements.

There are certain conditions, even yet, where horse-drawn wagons will serve more economically than trucks, but such conditions are very rare, and are practically never met by the average contractor. With the constant improvement and adaptation of trucks and trailers the time is not far off when motor equipment will surpass horse equipment under every possible condition.

In determining the demands to be made upon the truck and the conditions of operation, there are a number of things to be considered. First of these is the kind of hauling which is to be done. The hauling of heavy bulk materials calls, in general, for a heavy truck with dump body, while for the lumber dealer this would be useless. Bulk material, under ordinary circumstances, can not be economically handled with a light truck. The exception to this rule occurs in cases where bulk material is handled only occasionally and in small quantities, as in the case of the general contractor who does an occasional small concrete job. It would be truly foolish for such needs to purchase a great heavy 10-ton truck with mechanically operated dump body. Most of the time it would stand idle in the garage being too unwieldy for the usual line of duty.

For the lumber dealer, a truck of light to medium heavy capacity will most probably fill the bill. The short wheel base used with trailers or semi-trailers is particularly adapted to handling lumber. Each trailer may be loaded and unloaded in the yard and at the job while the motor unit is kept constantly at work handling other trailer units. These trailer units are also very effective within the lumber yard and often can be handled here by a tractor or mule to good advantage. The same tractor may be found to be of service in hauling trains of trailers to and from the job. This is particularly true where the road conditions or lack of roads make difficult going for the trucks.

This question of road conditions is another most important consideration. In the larger communities it often happens that there is rarely or ever any hauling to be done except over comparatively good streets or roads. Even in the cities it sometimes happens, however, especially in subdivision work where paving has not yet been done, that deep mud, soft sand or other bad traction will be encountered regularly. There is also the question of hauling sand from pits where, at one end of the haul, the truck must pass through and turn in soft sand. For such work there are two possible aids. One is the very broad solid tire or the double rear wheel, the other is the large pneumatic tire which is rapidly gaining such great popularity.

Another point to be considered in the line of road conditions is the question of the space in which turns must be made. Where there is always ample room for turning a long wheel base is entirely satisfactory, but in many kinds of work turns must frequently be made in extremely narrow places and here the short wheel base is the only practical type. Most truck manufacturers offer trucks in both long and short wheel bases and the choice between the two may be a very important one.

To return to the type of truck, there are many uses for which the light fast truck is unexcelled. The general contractor who operates several trucks will usually find that at least one of this type is a paying investment. There are constant demands of quick delivery of comparative light loads on big jobs and where several jobs are being handled at one time. Such a truck will also serve well to carry the contractor from one job to another where his attention must be divided.

For general contracting work and heavy hauling, as well as for handling lumber, the trailer should receive consideration. The general contractor frequently finds that a trailer will double the capacity of his transportation with only a slight increase in cost. Trailers of the four-wheel type are being used to a very great extent in the hauling of heavy bulk materials. Trains of as many as six trailers are often used for this purpose and it is not uncommon to see the motive power furnished by a tractor.

Great speed of travel is not usually required for this work so the tractor serves economically. But even where time is an important element the tractor may be the best power unit. Tractors are now being built, especially designed for road construction work, which will handle one or more trailers at a most satisfactory speed, and when

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Development of Reinforced Concrete
It Has Become Dominant in the Construction of Industrial Buildings and Is Reducing Fire Losses

We judge the races of antiquity largely by the structures left as evidence of their progress. The intelligence of the mound builders is evidenced as by their earthecks and early British races by their stone amphitheaters or temples. The pyramids are striking proof of the engineering knowledge of ancient Egypt. The glory of ancient Greece is still evident in its temple ruins and of Rome in its forums, amphitheaters, roads and aqueducts.

Even in modern history, we recognize periods marked by some special form of construction. The reinforcement of concrete created a new building art and brought forth a novel type of structure—one which has new elements of permanence, fire resistance and economy.

The first instance of the use of reinforcement in concrete was in a small rowboat of cement reinforced with wire netting and exhibited at the Paris World's Fair, in 1855, by M. Lambot. He probably did not realize the revolutionary nature of his invention. Little did he dream that, from this small beginning, would grow massive buildings, bridges, viaducts, elevators, tunnels, tanks and towers made of reinforced concrete.

Concrete Used in Early Days

The use of cement and concrete dates back to early times and there are structures still standing, built at the beginning of the Christian era, which are splendid examples of concrete work—such as the dome of the Pantheon at Rome. In later times, portland cement was used in the construction of the Thames Tunnel at London, in 1828—portland cement being of British origin.

The use of concrete, however, did not assume a commanding place in the construction field until "armored" or reinforced concrete came into general use. F. J. Monier, a French gardener, in 1865, took out the first patent on reinforced concrete in basins and tubs, for horticultural use. The Germans then developed the idea for widespread commercial use. At almost the same time, American inventors worked out independently the reinforcing of concrete with iron rods, to supply the tensile strength required in beams and slabs.

W. E. Ward, in 1875, constructed a building at Port Chester, N. Y., in which the exterior walls, beams, cornices, tower and roof were made of concrete. These beams were scientifically reinforced with iron rods located where the greatest stress would occur.

The First Concrete Bridge

The first reinforced concrete bridge built in the United States was probably the one constructed by the Ransome & Smith Company at Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, in 1889.

Since that date, this form of bridge construction has come into increasing favor. The all-steel bridge requires constant repainting to protect it from oxidation, but steel imbedded in concrete is protected against this form of depreciation.

For street subways under railroad crossings, reinforced concrete is the ideal form of construction and can be waterproofed with asphalt saturated membrane mopped on with hot asphalt, so as to be impervious to water, or "drip." In the same way, tunnels and reservoirs of reinforced concrete are successfully waterproofed. A notable example of this is the New York water supply tunnel under the Hudson River. Through this tunnel flows pure water for drinking. The water of the Hudson is tidal, brackish and greatly contaminated. However, the waterproofing of the concrete tunnel absolutely excludes any contamination of the pure drinking water inside it.

Reinforced concrete is also proving most successful in the construction of large dams, viaducts, reservoirs, tanks and towers; also conduit, pipe, culverts, piling, silos, stacks, chimneys, etc.

Industrial building construction, of late years, has turned almost entirely to the use of reinforced concrete. In addition to large factories and warehouses, many public and office buildings are now of this type of construction. Its fire resistant qualities are recognized as pre-eminent and a great degree of permanence is obtained at a very moderate building cost. With the extended use of steel forms, concrete mixers, power hoists and distributing towers, a high degree of efficiency is obtainable on this type of construction.

There have been a few serious fires in completed buildings of the reinforced concrete type—notably, the Thomas Edison Laboratories at West Orange, N. J., and the Quaker Oats Building at Peterboro, Canada. However, it should
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In the 1 ton and 1½ ton fields combined they were second.

Large production and large sales permit low prices!
be remembered that there is really no such thing as a material which is "fireproof" and great conflagrations will damage almost any structure. However, the fire insurance companies accept any good type of reinforced concrete construction as at the best risk and at the lowest rate. A steel frame structure may also be a standard risk and take the low rate, but often it fails to comply with all the provisions of the National Building Code, which calls for at least a 4-inch protection over exterior steel members and a 3-inch protection over interior steel members.

Beautiful results, architecturally, have been achieved in many apartments buildings, office buildings and hotels built of reinforced concrete, as in such splendid structures as the Medical Arts Building, Dallas; the U. S. Grant Hotel, San Diego, Cal.; the Bulmer Apartments, Miami, Fla.; the Hide & Leather Building, New York; the Ingalls Building, Cincinnati; the Hotel Traymore, Atlantic City; Drake Hotel, Chicago; Hotel Utah, Salt Lake City, Hotel Blenheim, Atlantic City; the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago; Calgary Herald Building, Calgary, Alta.; Anson Mills Building, El Paso, Texas; Hotel Olmsted, Rochester, Minn.; Somerset Hotel, Chicago, Ill., and many others.

Concrete work may be carried on almost regardless of temperature, providing proper precautions are taken in cold weather. Chemicals may be used in the water which render it non-freezing, straw and manure may be used to protect the green concrete and canvas enclosures are of great assistance. During the winter of 1919-20, a great deal of concrete work was carried on without interruption. The Somerset Hotel, Chicago, was concreted during weather which ranged as low as 10 degrees below zero.

One of the most commendable features of the reinforced type of building construction is that it is rigid, particularly in the monolithic type—one reason for its stanchness and permanence. This is well illustrated by the way reinforced concrete buildings resisted the San Francisco, Yokohama and Tokio earthquakes and fires; 75 per cent of the surviving buildings are of this type of construction.

The choice of reinforced concrete for towering chimneys and stacks shows how engineers regard its strength and permanence. For instance, at Saganoseki, Japan, stands a chimney which is 570 feet high, inside diameter 26 feet 3 inches, built of reinforced concrete by an American construction company four years ago, which has withstood frequent earthquakes and has given entire satisfaction.

Reinforced concrete buildings can be carried to any reasonable height, as shown by the fact that one building of this type in Dallas, Texas, is 19 stories high. The U. B. Building, recently completed in Dayton, Ohio, is to be even higher—23 stories, 276 feet from first floor level to the top of the building. It is an extremely handsome office building of the reinforced concrete type. The "Scientific American," some months ago, hailed it as the highest reinforced concrete building in the world. Engineers, however, do not think the limit has yet been reached. Of course, where the ground space is small and very valuable, the obstruction of light and space by the columns is frequently a serious factor and leads to the choice of a steel frame structure. This has been partly overcome by the use of hollow cast iron columns filled with concrete and with at least 2 inches of reinforced concrete around each column. The strength of this column is very high for its diameter.

The "mushroom" type of construction, invented by Mr. C. A. P. Turner, was a radical departure from former methods, in that it eliminated beams and girders in floors and is truly monolithic. There are many other types of construction, the mushroom type being used principally in warehouses and buildings where the light obstruction by columns is not a serious factor.

**Many Methods of Reinforcing**

New methods of reinforcement are constantly being evolved and continual progress is being made. In the reinforcement of columns, twisted rods, hoops, spirals and angles are being used. I-beams are used principally in foundations and floors. Expanded metal, wire mesh, rods, bars and angles are the principal types of reinforcement, but these are combined in many different shapes and ways designed to care for particular stresses and strains. Square bars, round bars and flat bars have been designed with special fins to give extra bond and grip. There are round and square bars which are corrugated; there is corr-mesh.
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with integral stiffening ribs; there are round and square bars with lateral ribs; slab spacers, rib chairs, beam chairs, stirrup clips and many devices for convenience and labor

savings.

Lumber forms continue to be extensively used in concrete work, but the use of steel forms is gradually increasing. Possibly, some day, standardized construction will allow steel forms to entirely replace wood, but, at the present time, that stage has not been reached. Steel forms are, however, being almost universally used for circular columns and for flaring column heads. They are also being used extensively in floor work, such as floor domes and floors.

While steel forms are, of course, higher in first cost, their ultimate cost is much lower than that of wood, where they can be repeatedly used.

Variety in Outer Finish

The question of the outer finish of concrete work is quite important where the appearance of the building is a factor. A mortar facing makes a desirable finish. One method is to trowel it against the face of the form and hold it in place with a sheet iron plate until the concrete can be poured in behind it. Or the mortar may be troweled against the face of the form and the concrete immediately deposited against it. Another and more common method is to force a spade down the side of the mold pushing back the stones and allowing the mortar to flow in against the mold face. Where there is discoloration and pitting, it is a good plan to wash the entire face of the concrete with a grout of cement and sand, after the pittings and bubble holes have been troweled over with mortar. A pleasing finish may be obtained by using plaster of Paris in place of the sand.

A rubbed or brushed finish is often selected for many concrete surfaces. One method is to remove the forms before the concrete has set very hard, rubbing the surface with a white fire brick or wooden float in a circular motion. If the concrete is quite "green," a similar appearance may be secured by brushing with brooms or stiff brushes.

Colored crushed stone may be used in a special surface mortar which gives the appearance of cut stone. Special surfaces may be obtained by the use of red or gray granite, sandstone, etc. This method is usually followed by washing with a weak solution of acid.

There are many other effective methods of surfacing. For instance, when the surface of the concrete has set too hard for brushing, it may be tooled dressed, as in dressing stone. Grooves are sometimes molded in the face of the concrete with good effect. A wide range of color effects is procurable by introducing dry colors into the cement before the concrete is mixed. Red lead is injurious but the following colors will do no damage: lampblack, Prussian blue, ultramarine blue, yellow ochre, burnt umber and red iron ore, when used in moderate proportions. Concrete surfaces may also be effectively pebble-dashed or painted.

Concrete Means Low Cost

In general, it may be said that the reinforced concrete type of building is lower in both first cost and ultimate cost than other types of construction. The immense Bush Terminal Buildings at South Brooklyn—six, eight and twelve stories in height—were built at an average cost of 20 per cent less than any other Class A fireproof type of building which could have been selected.

It seems safe to say that the "peak" of reinforced building construction has not yet been reached and that the future will continue to see an increase over the present very large volume of construction. No other factor is playing so great a part in the reduction of fire losses, and, from this point of view, reinforced concrete is supreme.

At the twentieth annual convention of the American Concrete Institute, held about two years ago in Chicago, some interesting statements were made relative to the growth of the industry. Mr. B. F. Affleck, president of one of the large cement companies, stated that the production of cement had increased in twenty years from 26,000,000 barrels to 135,000,000 barrels annually.

Growth of the Industry

Twenty years ago, he said, the amount of steel used for reinforcing was insignificant; now, about 1,000,000 tons are used annually. During the last twenty years, the cement used in the United States amounted to 1,500,000,000 barrels. In order to give an adequate idea of the vastness of this amount, Mr. Affleck drew the attention of his hearers to the fact that only 1,000,000,000 minutes have elapsed since the birth of Christ.

Concrete roads have been constructed in the United States to the extent of 28,000 miles in the last fifteen years and are, in part, responsible for this tremendous cement production.

Mr. Affleck paid a tribute to the cement industry and to the permanent use of concrete in these words: "Personally, I get a great deal of satisfaction out of the fact that I am in the cement business. Every one in the cement or concrete industry or any of its ramifications can share this feeling. It is based on the idea that of practically all human handwork, that which is made of concrete is the most durable. It may in truth be said that, with a few negligible exceptions, every yard of concrete which has been mixed since the industry began, is today serving a purpose in building, bridge, dam, power station, road, sidewalk, silo or corn crib, contributing to production, economy, conservation, comfort or pleasure and all of its value remains on the asset side of the balance sheet, proof against fire, decay or other elements and subject to but slight depreciation with the passage of the years."
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The Story of the American Universal Floor Surfacing Machine

Prior to the advent of the floor sanding machine, wood floors were surfaced or made smooth by scraping with a steel blade by hand, the workman kneeling on the floor with pads to protect his knees. This method was necessarily slow, hard work, and required skill to do a good job.

This was the state of the art at the time the erection of the Academy of Science of the Leland Stanford University of California was projected. After the contract was placed, the builder discovered that the floor finishing had not been figured in the contract and, with the close margin of profit contemplated, a loss on the carpenter work was likely to result.

A carpenter foreman conceived the idea of building a motor-driven machine to operate on the same principle as board sanding machines then used in planing mills. A crude device was made and worked so successfully that the anticipated loss was turned into handsome profit. The machine was patented, and a company organized to market it.

For several years the machines were built in various jobbing shops in California until 1905 when it was decided to seek better geographical location and Toledo was chosen as the site for their future efforts. The company acquired a small shop on the site of the present plant, and was incorporated under the laws of Ohio. From this small beginning the business, under capable management of Mr. Wm. B. Frey, President, and Mr. Harry H. Wolfe, Vice-President, has been developed into a large and modern plant with branches in New York, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Detroit, St. Paul, etc., and several foreign countries.

The development of the American Universal Floor Surfacing Machine has kept pace with the growth of the business and has been developed to such a high degree of efficiency that it does as much work in one day as was formerly accomplished by six men working on their knees scraping by hand. It not only effects this saving but does much better work than was possible with the old method of hand-scrapping.

The American Universal Floor Surfacing Machine is a compact device mounted on three wheels so as to travel over irregular surfaces and is handled much in the same manner as a lawn mower, except that little effort is required on the part of the operator, as the work is done by a powerful electric motor which drives a rotating drum at a high rate of speed.

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The circle and the association symbol, “S P A,” have been copyrighted and only association subscriber mills can lawfully use this form of grade-mark. The stamps and dies and mill numbers for grade-marking and trade-marking under the Southern Pine Association’s guarantee, must be secured from the association, and only subscriber mills can be authorized to use this “S P A” brand, for the reason that only subscriber mills receive the association’s official inspection service, by which the integrity of the association’s standard grades for southern yellow pine are maintained.

The branding for the present probably will be done chiefly with hand stamps, although a machine for the grade-marking has been perfected which does the work satisfactorily and economically and some of the mills will probably employ machines in their plants to do this work. Foreseen delay, however, in securing and installing ma-

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- "How to Lay and Finish Maple, Beech and Birch Floors"

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The April volume of building contracts was the largest monthly total on record, according to F. W. Dodge Corporation. Contracts awarded last month in 36 states (which include about seven-eighths of the total construction volume of the country) amounted to $546,970,700. This was an increase of 14 per cent over March and 13 per cent over April of last year.

The April record included the following important items: $256,414,300, or 47 per cent of all construction, for residential buildings; $95,432,400, or 17 per cent, for public works and utilities; $63,968,900, or 12 per cent, for commercial buildings; $46,567,000, or 9 per cent, for industrial buildings; and $33,154,600, or six per cent, for educational buildings.

Total construction started during the first four months of this year has amounted to $1,623,540,000, compared with $1,515,043,200 for the first four months of last year. The gain is a little over seven per cent. Of the $106,000,000 increase to date this year, $52,000,000 represents the gain in public works and utilities projects.

In addition to the big gains in actual work started there is also a big gain in prospective work. Contemplated new projects reported in April amounted to $760,657,600, an increase of 25 per cent over the amount reported in April of last year.

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**Waste Prevention Prize Awards**

IN CONNECTION with the award of $2,000 in prizes in the National Lumber Manufacturers’ Association Waste Prevention contest, the Utilization and Waste Prevention Committee authorizes the following comment:

The committee, this year, awarded only two prizes—the first and second. The remainder of the thirty-eight entries did not, in the opinion of the committee, qualify for prizes because, while their proposals had considerable merit, they were lacking in sufficiently general application, or they would not yield a sufficiently large saving, or they were not worked out far enough to be considered finished propositions.

The first prize of $1,000 was awarded to D. F. Denham, Laurel, Miss., for the Denham Gang Guide, a device for holding cants straight while they are being sawed in the gang-saw.

The second prize of $500 was awarded Edward McCluskey, Cloquet, Minn., for a log setting retarder for use on sawmill carriages with steam set works.

There were 267 entries, of which number 202 were not within the intent of the competition, because, for the most part, they simply called attention to existing wastes in the lumber industry without proposing concrete remedies.

In a second group the committee placed twenty-seven entries, submitted mostly by men employed in sawmills or logging camps, that were not definite as to their suggestions, but that dealt with matters generally known in the industry, or were not developed to the point of usefulness.

The prize-winners were finally selected from the remaining group of thirty-eight entrants, all of whom seemed to comply with the general conditions of the contest. Most of their entries have merit.

The committee wishes to express its gratitude to all the contestants, for even some of those who failed to win prizes have undoubtedly contributed to the improvement of the lumber manufacturing industry, and many of them have devoted much time and thought to ideas which they had no means of knowing were not original with them. That so many persons outside the industry are attracted by its problems is doubtless an indication of a gratifying growing popular interest in the general problem of a future supply of forest products.

**New Chain Belt Co. Representative**

THE Chain Belt Company, Milwaukee, manufacturers of Rex mixers, conveyors and elevating machinery, announce the appointment of Moriarity Bros. of 208 Knapp Street as their new representatives in Toledo, Ohio. The Moriarity Bros. have had a long and varied experience in construction equipment and are to carry a full line of Rex mixers and pavers in stock.

**Recruiting for Building Trades**

THE National Association of Building Trades Employers are calling attention to the fact that within the next few weeks thousands of boys and young men will be graduated from the public schools of this country and enter various kinds of employment. Many of these may get into some industry for which they are temperamentally unfit simply because their attention has not been directed to the kind of work for which they are fitted. By calling the attention of these boys to the building trades and showing them the advantages of this employment the industry can be assured of a constant supply of skilled labor.

To assist local building associations, the National Association has prepared an address entitled "Choosing a Profession," which interested associations or persons can secure and use in taking the story of the building trades to the schools by arranging to address the boys of the graduating classes.

**Plate Glass Production Record**

ALL records for the production of plate glass in the United States were broken during March when the total output reached 9,773,957 square feet. According to P. A. Hughes, secretary of the Plate Glass Manufacturers of America, the end of the year 1925 will see the establishment of a new twelve months’ production record for the manufacturers of plate glass in this country.

"Based on the known demand and the production of plate glass so far this year, it seems reasonable," says Mr. Hughes, "to estimate that the total output for the year will be between 105,000,000 and 110,000,000 square feet—enough plate glass to lay a crystal roof over a ranch of 2,500 acres. This will exceed the production of 1924 by from 14,000,000 to 19,000,000 square feet, and it will double the production for the year 1921."

**Meetings Boost Installment Plan**

"FIFTY-EIGHT meetings have been hold in principal cities to discuss in detail the installment plan for painting," reports the Save the Surface News Bureau. "While there has been considerable opposition in certain cities before the meetings were held, after the plan had been thoroughly explained to the trade, 99 per cent of those attending the meetings have gone away not only satisfied that the plan was practical and beneficial, but enthusiastic over its possibilities."

**100 Per Cent Safety Record**

A 100 per cent record for industrial safety was achieved in April by the Universal Portland Cement Co. All its mills, located in various sections of the country, operated during April without having a single employee lose any time on account of accidents.

“Thousands of workers employed, manufacturing over five million sacks of cement last month and with operations speeded up to meet the heavy demands of spring construction without the occurrence of any accident, is a gratifying result of years of safety education,” declared B. F. Affleck, president of the company. "Cement manufacture, in common with many other industries, is a hazardous occupation unless constant care is exercised by both company and employees."

"The month of May marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the Universal Portland Cement Co. We believe there is no feature of this 'birthday' observance more gratifying than the ability publicly to announce this 100 per cent record of safety in industry."
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Director, Laboratory of Applied Science, Nela Park, Cleveland
Author of "Lighting the Home," "The Language of Color," etc.

MOST of us have had the variegated experience of "house furnishing"; that is, of purchasing for, or adapting our furniture and other furnishings to, an apartment or house. But how many have experienced the pleasure—for by contrast it is a real pleasure—of moving into a house built expressly for housing our furnishings. A relatively small percentage of what may be termed middle-class houses and apartments are built around furniture and other equipment which are so overwhelmingly responsible in realizing the final goal—that of making a house a home. Careful study of thousands of homes has convinced the writer that herein lies the most important and unfortunately the most neglected feature in house-building.

Careful Planning makes for Satisfaction

If, in designing our houses, we would give careful attention to the disposition of furniture and other equipment, much dissatisfaction, annoyance, and inconvenience would be avoided. By predetermining the position of our various articles of furniture, such as the piano, the beds, the dressers and the dressing tables, and by vividly visualizing their dimensions, we are in a position to proceed systematically to harmonize many elements of home-making into what eventually will be a satisfactory ensemble.

Even after seriously considering the disposition of furnishings the problem of interrelating the many elements of a house is not capable of a perfect solution but the final compromise will likely be about the best that is possible. After studying the disposition of at least the chief articles of furniture in the various rooms, we are in a strategic position for deciding such matters as the positions of windows, doors and radiators, the necessary wall-spaces, the swinging of doors, the types and locations of lighting fixtures, and the number and distribution of wall-switches and convenience outlets.

That this procedure is not often adopted, or at least carried out effectively, is attested to by a large majority of our so-called middle-class houses. The defects are not as generally noticeable in apartments as in houses because not many variations in apartments are possible, and as a result a considerable degree of standardization has been effected. But this is not true to the same extent in houses. Furthermore so many of our houses are "built for sale" by builders who do not intend to live in them. Therefore the details of these houses do not receive the intimate attention that they would receive by the prospective occupant provided the latter realized that a house should be built around the furniture and other equipment. This is one of the best arguments in general for building a house rather than purchasing one already built. Of course, in the latter case you have the advantage of seeing the important features such as location of windows, walls, spaces, lighting fixtures, etc., but these are not often ideal in the built-for-sale house.

Consider Both Interior and Exterior

When considering the design of a house in this manner very often the locations of doors and windows may bring forth questions as to the resulting appearance of the exterior. Here we may be obliged to settle matters by a compromise because compromises cannot be avoided where there are so many elements to reconcile and harmonize. But it is well to remember that we build a house to live in so the compromise should not be at too great expense to the interior.

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may be disposed at regular intervals across the front thus leaving very little useful wall space. On the opposite sides of the rooms, closets and doorways are to be cared for. This leaves the side walls for locating the beds and to dispose of twin beds in one of these rooms of moderate size is a problem indeed. Now suppose the two windows in each room are grouped in the center of the front wall. This leaves valuable wall space at each side with plenty of room for twin beds one on each side of a pair of windows. This solution often presents more difficulty in harmonizing the elements of the exterior but the wall spaces are so important in these rooms of ordinary size that the exterior problem must be solved in some manner without sacrificing the advantage in the interior.

Study Will Solve the Problem

The importance of this procedure in designing a house is particularly emphasized to one who studies the wiring and lighting of a home. Laying out the wiring cannot be done wisely without first considering and arranging the furniture; still this is done every day with a resulting dissatisfaction to the eventual occupant. Of course, the ideal procedure is to have the one who is to occupy the house determine the positions of the chief articles of furniture and equipment. If this is not possible it is by no means a hopeless task for anyone with a little study and experience to locate these chief articles on the blue-prints or drawings. This is particularly true of the middle-class home for its rooms are not so large that there are more than one or two real good arrangements of furniture.

For example, in the bedroom the arrangements of the bed or beds, the dresser, the dressing-table, etc., can be worked out easily after the bed or beds have been located. Usually there is one best location for these. In this connection it is usually better to view any other article of furniture from the doorway than a bed. Such details must be visualized in laying out the furniture in the mind’s eye. Having located the beds it is desirable to provide suitable wall spaces for the other articles of furniture by giving attention to doors and windows. The lighting for articles of furniture which possess mirrors can best be effected by one light source on each side. The fixtures can be wall brackets or brackets fastened to the mirror. When in doubt as to the exact position, provide an ample number of convenience outlets in the walls. The lighting may then be accomplished by means of portables or of brackets fastened to the mirror. In the modern home it is a good rule to provide many convenience outlets.

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The importance of building around furniture—housing furnishings—is evident in any of the rooms. In the kitchen, wall spaces must be provided for cupboards, range, sink, etc., and if the positions of these are determined so the work can proceed systematically, and with a minimum of "mileage," the windows, doors, lighting fixtures, switches and convenience outlets can be properly located.

In the dining room the table is usually in the center and a ceiling fixture can be provided for illuminating it. Whether or not it is to be electrically wired and a convenience outlet and signal outlet are to be placed in the floor underneath its center, are determined by the householder's desire for these modern conveniences. It has nothing to do with the determination of wall spaces but the positions of other articles of furniture are important in this respect. Here convenience outlets to which appliances and decorative portables can be attached offer a solution which provides for flexibility in arrangement and variation of the articles of furniture.

In the living room of the small house a wall space on the inside wall is usually desired for the piano if it is an upright. Then comes the consideration of the fireplace. If the householder desires a cozy arrangement of a davenport, backed by a library table, before the fireplace, it is well to consider the location of the chimney. In living rooms that are considerably longer than they are wide, say 14 feet by 25 feet, it is well to consider seriously whether the fireplace should be at the end or on one of the sides. Either arrangement may be satisfactory but it depends upon the character of the furniture and the desire for a permanent fireplace grouping. The latter in some cases causes a crowedness if the fireplace is at the side of the room. This is something to decide only after viewing in the mind's eye various advantages and disadvantages but after it is decided one may then apply himself to the planning of windows, doors, wiring, radiators, etc.

These are a few glimpses of the importance of building a house with the idea of housing furnishings. It is the only safe manner in which to proceed, still most houses are not built upon this idea. By locating the furniture and other equipment so that these determine the positions of windows, wall spaces, the swinging of doors, the locations and types of lighting fixtures, and the location of switches and convenience outlets, the occupant of the house will enjoy the fruits of really proper planning. He will not find himself with bedrooms in which there are no satisfactory places for beds. He will not find switches and even wall brackets behind doors. He will not find perfection but he will enjoy a wise and perhaps the best compromise of many elements. He will find his mirrors properly flanked by light sources and an adequate number of convenience outlets so that portable lamps may be attached to supply proper lighting wherever the furniture is placed. He will not be perplexed with unsolvable problems of house furnishing for the essentials of the furnishing already have been taken care of. His whole house will emphasize the great value of planning it to house furnishings.

**Electrify All Buildings**

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the size of the load handled is considered the performance compares favorably with that of trucks.

Special motor equipment for special machinery is often out of the question except for some of the largest contractors. These sometimes find it worth while to have mixers, hoists and similar machinery mounted on trucks. This makes for greatly increased mobility and where that is of prime importance it pays. Perhaps a more practical plan for the average contractor would be to have a truck onto which machinery could be run for transportation and removed at the job for use. Another practical plan is to adopt the trailer system for such machinery.

The selection of bodies need not be confined to a single type. It is possible to secure a body on which two, or even more, interchangeable bodies may be used as the immediate requirements dictate. A body of this sort is sometimes used which may be rolled off of the truck for loading on a platform and when loaded rolled onto the truck. Under certain conditions these bodies effect a great saving as trucks need not stand idle during loading and unloading.

Idle time is always expensive in the operation of trucks and for this reason truck equipment should always be selected with the idea of keeping each unit on the road as great a part of the time as possible. Often a small additional investment in the truck will save, many hours of lost time which will mean an actual saving of money. One of these time savers is a body for hauling lumber into which rollers are set. These rollers make it possible to slide an entire load of lumber off of the truck at one time, much like dumping sand from a dump body.

No matter what type of truck, or trailer may be needed there is one consideration which should always come before all others and that is the consideration of quality. Quality may be expensive in first cost but it is cheap in the long run. The extra cost of first class equipment is soon compensated for by the saving in upkeep. The maintenance bill on cheap equipment is always high.

In line with this last point the man who drives the truck should be mentioned. No matter what sort of equipment is selected, the ultimate cost of transportation depends upon the driver. In his hands you place a highly expensive piece of machinery. You have no means of knowing whether it is receiving proper treatment or not till the repair bills start to come in or it falls down on the job, probably just when it is most needed. Most of the time the truck is on the road with the driver in complete charge and no one to oversee him. A poor driver or an ignorant one can qualify the best truck for the junk pile in a hurry.

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"Murals—in the Book-Cadillac Hotel," is a well prepared booklet, issued by Van Schaack Bros. Chemical Works, Inc., 3358 Avondale Avenue, Chicago, Ill., describing its lacquer products and giving specifications for their application as used in the new Book-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, Mich.

Wall Coverings as manufactured by the Standard Textile Products Company, 320 Broadway, New York City, are the subject of four booklets which describe Sanitas and illustrate its application in colors. Two of these also include samples of Sanitas.

The A-B-C of Metal Lath Erection is a circular issued by the Associated Metal Lath Manufacturers, Inc., 123 W. Madison Street, Chicago, Ill., covering the fundamentals of the application of metal lath.

The Chicago Faucet Company, Chicago, Ill., has issued an attractive new catalog and price list illustrating its line of faucets for every type of installation.

The American Heating & Lighting Company, Morenci, Mich., has issued a pamphlet cataloging its line of gas ranges, radiant heaters, stoves and water heaters, and particularly featuring its gas producer, comprising a gasoline tank and carburetor.

E. W. Holmes Pebble Dash Company, Princeton, Ill., offers a booklet telling the story of the development of its waterproof granite stone stucco and its application for pebble dashing.

The Barrett Company, 40 Rector Street, New York City, has published the first of a series of built-up roofing reference booklets for architects and engineers. This first volume covers flat roof specifications and is illustrated throughout with drawings.

"Beautiful American Gumwood," published by the Hardywood Manufacturers' Institute, 1339 Bank of Commerce Building, Memphis, Tenn., in connection with its national advertising campaign, tells the interesting story of the use of gumwood and is attractively illustrated with color plates.

"The Book of Beds," issued by the Concealed Bed Corporation, 58 E. Washington Street, Chicago, Ill., is a complete catalog of the beds manufactured by the Marshall & Stearns Co. and the Holmes Disappearing Bed Co., for which the Concealed Bed Corporation is sole distributor.

"Elements of the Modern Building and Loan Associations," by Frank A. Chase and Dr. Horace F. Clark, published by the Macmillan Company, price $3.50, is the text book used by the American Savings, Building and Loan Institute in its course of building and loan instruction.

Johns-Manville, Inc., 292 Madison Avenue, New York City, offers a booklet describing its HouseLine insulation material and containing a sample of this material as well as data on the method of application and effect of its use.

"Masterpieces of Spanish Architecture, Romanesque and Allied Styles," by John V. Van Pelt, has been published by Pencil Points Press, Inc., 19 E. 24th Street, New York City. Price $6.00. This is volume IV of the "Library of Architectural Documents" and contains 100 plates of carefully prepared details, sections and elevations for the architect's drafting room.

The T. L. Smith Company, Milwaukee, Wis., covers its new line of small tilting concrete mixers, developed this year, in a two-color circular.

"How to Own Your Home," is a booklet published by Better Homes in America, 1653 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D. C., at 15 cents a copy, which contains much valuable information for prospective home owners, including the problem of financing the new home.

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"The Lehigh Magazine" is a new publication of the Lehigh Portland Cement Company, Allentown, Pa., the first issue of which appeared in March. It will be published monthly and will contain business building ideas for the building material dealer.

"Curtis Woodwork" is a new booklet just issued by the Curtis Companies Service Bureau, Clinton, Iowa, which presents the company's entire line of woodwork with sections devoted to such groups as entrances, permanent furniture, etc. It is written from the angle of the home builder and is full of information valuable to architects, contractors and building material dealers.

Toch Brothers, 110 E. Forty-second Street, New York City, offer a book of specifications for damp-proofing, waterproofing, enameling and technical painting which is full of useful information. The same company also has a series of small pamphlets covering, individually, all the different fields of paint application.

The Southern Pine Association, New Orleans, La., has prepared an interesting postcard folder for distribution to those interested in home building, which shows eleven steps in the manufacture of lumber from the standing trees to the completed home.

The Master Builders Company, Cleveland, Ohio, has prepared a folder with the A. I. A. classification, containing data on Slatyle colored slate floor. Slatyle and its method of laying are an innovation in the flooring field.

The Chicago Machinery Exchange, 1219-27 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill., offers a large, handsomely prepared Reference Book of Woodworking Machinery and Supplies, which is a catalog of its line of products.

American Society for Testing Materials Bulletin, dated April 30, contains the plans for the annual meeting to be held in June and the provisional program of this meeting is now available.

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"Colonial Entrances of Character and Distinction" is the title of a handsome booklet published by Hartmann-Sanders Co., 2155 Elston Ave., Chicago, Ill. It contains full page illustrations of representative entrances of many styles with a short introductory text on the importance of the entrance.

Richard-Wilcox Manufacturing Company, Aurora, Ill., has prepared two new catalogs, No. 40, covering its line of "Sliding and Folding Partition Door Hardware," and No. 41, covering "Big Door Hardware."

The Haskelite Manufacturing Corporation, 133 W. Washington St., Chicago, Ill., offers an interesting booklet descriptive of its moth-proof and air-tight clothes vaults which is supplemented by several valuable circulars.

"Real Estate Handbook," edited by Blake Snyder and Wilmot Lippincott and published by the McGraw Hill Book Co., Inc., 370 Seventh Avenue, New York City. Price $5.00. This book brings together the best principles, methods and data of modern real estate practice for the reference use of real estate men, property owners and others interested in the study of real estate. The material is contributed by a staff of well-known experts.

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"Pumping Machinery," the complete catalog of the American Steam Pump Company, Battle Creek, Mich., is gotten out in the form of a series of bulletins, each covering one class of pump equipment and all bound together in a single removable binder.

"Donley Book of Fireplaces." A third and enlarged edition of this booklet has just been published by the Donley Brothers Co., 13900 Miles Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. It contains much interesting material on fireplaces and their construction including working drawings and photographs and descriptions of Donley fireplace equipment.

The Celotex Company, 645 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill., has prepared a book of specifications and details for standard building board in a size and form adapted to filing under the A. I. A. filing system.

The Gurney Refrigerator Company, Fond du Lac, Wis., has issued a booklet, "How Much Does a Good Refrigerator Cost?" which describes its line of refrigerators for home installation.

"Structolite Homes" is a new publication of the United States Gypsum Company, 205 W. Monroe St., Chicago, Ill. It contains a complete description of Structolite and its uses as well as construction details for residence construction and specifications for the construction of Structolite concrete walls and finishing with Oriental Stucco.

"The ABC of Safety Switches," Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company's recent publication, contains information in regard to safety switches demanded by the specifications of the national code, the state and municipal ordinances and will be of interest to engineers, architects and operators in industrial plants.

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Metal Roof Scuttles

METAL roof scuttles, of a patented design, offer a number of features which should recommend them to the builder as well as the prospective home owner. These scuttles are carried in three stock sizes, 20 by 24 inches, 24 by 24 inches and 24 by 36 inches, in galvanized iron and are furnished complete including hardware. They can also be furnished in copper if desired. A glass top can be had in the same scuttle where this feature is desired.

The top has a clearance above the roof level which prevents the collection of water at the edges of the scuttle and consequent leaking. This scuttle is also fireproof and meets all requirements of building codes. It is durable, light and easily handled in contrast to heavy wood scuttles. It is adaptable to any roof, metal, tile or composition.

Where used this product is a labor saver because it is supplied all ready for the roofer and does not require the services of either a carpenter or tinsmith.

Branding Tools and Equipment

IT DOES not pay to take a chance with your tools and equipment when the cost of marking them permanently and indisputably is so low as it is. Branded tools seldom get lost but unbranded tools constantly have to be replaced and replacing tools is an item of considerable expense to the builder. Besides the marking of tools the brand may be used for marking various pieces of equipment and in addition has a variety of other uses.

The self-heating branding iron is operated with gasoline, a fuel which is always readily obtainable. The gasoline is contained in the brass handle and fed to the jet through a self-cleaning and locking needle valve. Various branding plates may be secured and used interchangeably.

When not in use as a branding iron this torch will serve equally well as a soldering iron, paint remover, blow torch dipping cup or self skimming ladle. For any of these purposes it is only necessary to remove the branding plate and substitute the required attachment, which is obtainable at a small additional cost. The saving of tools which would otherwise be lost or stolen will, alone, pay for this torch in a short time and there is a decided advertising advantage in branded tools and equipment.

Convertible Builders' Level

TRANSITS and levels in large range of styles, adapted to all kinds of work and conditions, are available on a 10-day free trial basis. The manufacturers allow you to select the model which you believe will be more serviceable for your particular work, and send it to you to try out in the actual work, so you may know definitely whether or not you want to make the investment in an instrument which will assure accuracy.

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An Improved Heater for Small Homes

With the past year or two a new trend has been developing in the design and construction of small homes, especially bungalows. Many architects have been planning such homes without a cellar or basement, resulting in a saving to the purchaser of between $600.00 and $700.00, represented by the elimination of the basement excavation and incidental masonry and cement work.

Homes of this new type are laid out for heating by means of an above-floor furnace—the so-called “cabinet heater.” This heater takes the place of two or more heating stoves as it heats on the same principle as a warm air furnace, by constant recirculation of moist, warm air throughout all connected rooms, whereas the stove heater heats by radiation.

One type of heater that is well liked, according to the manufacturers, is the joint creation of designers of fine living room furniture and of heating engineers. The cabinet is of Louis XVI period design, the product of a designer of nationally advertised living room furniture, while the heating unit is the product of the company's heating engineers.

The cabinet is vitreous enameled finish, reproducing exactly the color and natural grain of walnut; trimmings are finished in russet-bronze. The legs are of period furniture design, in keeping with the cabinet.

The manufacturers of this heater claim for it a number of exclusive features which make it very efficient in operation. It is a cabinet heater equipped with a dependable, trouble-proof, automatic heat regulator. Concealed air-cooled floor protector of patented design does away with the necessity for the old-fashioned zinc floor board, and glass caster cups under the legs protect floor and rugs against indentation.

Among the other features of this cabinet heater may be mentioned its hot-blast fire-pot liners, which act as smoke and gas consumers; dust-proof ash shaker; smoke and gas-tight doors; one-piece heater casting, and absence of draft openings. Doors in the front cabinet panel are set flush, with no indication of hinges or latches, which are concealed. The smoke pipe elbow is reversible, adapted either to horizontal or vertical smoke pipe connection.

This heater, it is claimed, will heat houses of from five to seven rooms. It uses no more fuel than an ordinary heating stove of equal grate area, yet it does the work of a good pipeless furnace or two or three heating stoves.

A Small Size Floor Clip

A well known manufacturer of floor clips has gotten out a small size clip to supplement its regular line. This clip is the exact duplicate of the larger clip except for size. It is intended to save expense where a fill is required in floors or where a light clip will suffice.

The small clip, like the heavier one, comes in three sizes for two, three and four-inch sleepers, but is just one-half the width of the heavier clip. Both styles are made of 20-gauge, galvanized sheet metal in the two smaller sizes and of 18-gauge sheet for the four-inch size. Each clip is made of a single piece of metal bent to shape.

These clips are delivered with the top tabs bent flat ready to set in the concrete. They are left so till time to set the sleepers when the tabs are easily raised perpendicular, with the claw of a hammer. The sleepers are inserted between the tabs, leveled and nailed in place through holes provided in the tabs.

Steel Chalk Trough

Steel is being used more and more for the interior finishing of schools because of the rough wear and tear of the daily routine. In line with this development is a steel chalk trough which is used in construction with steel trim for installing blackboards.

This trough can be firmly attached to the wall with screws and is made with a perforated tray for cleaning purposes. A down spout, with a removable cap for cleaning is included in each section. The trough is made of 20 gauge steel and is painted, making a strong, sanitary and attractive installation which will not break, warp or crack and which will catch all dust from the board and give ample space for chalk and brushes.

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A Light, Versatile Woodworker

A n efficient direct driven overhead woodworker in which all cutting tools are attached on the motor shaft is shown in the accompanying illustration as used by a large manufacturer of circular brooder houses. After thoroughly trying out one of these machines in 1923 for rapid cut off work on studs, rafters and general trim, this manufacturer showed his hearty approval by installing six of these woodworkers to date.

The motor shaft to which the tools are attached, being free of all encumbrances such as belts, gears, pulleys, etc., it is possible to instantly tilt the motor to any bevel desired from the horizontal to vertical. By swinging the crane to any desired miter and tilting the motors to the required bevel, a compound miter or jack rafter cut can readily be made with both material and table in a horizontal position.

With a combination saw attached the motor can be swung 90 degrees to a ripping position by means of a universal suspension bolt from which the yoke is hung without stopping the motor or changing the blade. This is a distinctive feature of this machine making it the most rapidly converted crosscut to rip and vice versa woodworker offered.

As can readily be surmised, these machines, equipped with motors from ½ to 4 H. P., have grown very popular for use in outside construction, they weighing only 245 to 260 pounds. Equipped with a 4 H. P. motor, it is a very light woodworker, handling 5-inch stock and weighing only 260 pounds complete including table.

Machine Builds Double Concrete Monolithic Walls

T here is a method of erecting double concrete walls without the customary wood or metal forms which is not a system of building concrete blocks but a system of erecting a monolithic structure, double wall from footing to roof plate, with an air space within the wall that is continuous around the perimeter of the building.

The machine used in this system is placed on an ordinary concrete footing. The machine is filled half way up with concrete and tamped down. A horizontal reinforcing bar is placed and the machine filled to capacity and then tamped down. A connecting bar is then lifted. This bar automatically collapses an inner core and expands the outer plates of the machine. This action releases the machine from the wall. The machine is then moved forward and in position to build the next length.

The concrete, although green, will stand independently, exposed to the air on all sides and, because it is so exposed, gets an initial set that will allow a weight to be placed upon it within ½ hours’ time. The above operation is repeated until the perimeter of the building has been circled. By the time this is done the first section so cast is set sufficiently to bear the weight of the machine for the casting of another course upon it. One whole operation involves between 3 and 3 minutes of time and so in actual operation a lineal foot of wall may be built in place at approximately a foot a minute.

Any thickness of wall may be built, from double three-inch wall up, by very simple adjustment of bolts placed on sliding lateral bars of the machine for this purpose. Any mixture may be used except that the addition of water is regulated so that the mixture is never too loose nor too dry. The concrete should be of a consistency that it will mould in the hand when clenched.

Six men are necessary to handle a set of machines and erect the wall. These six men may be unskilled laborers. The cost of building with these machines may be figured as follows: Take the day wage of an unskilled laborer in your vicinity, multiply by six and divide by 400. This will give you the cost of a lineal foot of wall. For instance, where the unskilled laborer receives $4.00 per day, the cost of a gang of six would be $24.00 per day. This gang of men can build 400 lineal feet of wall per day, 400 divided into $24.00 per day would make approximately 6c per lineal foot of wall. This 6c represents two items—the actual manufacturing of the material and the laying in the wall. Add to this labor cost the material cost in your vicinity for two-thirds of a square foot of wall and you have the cost of the wall in place. This system is not an experiment. These machines have successfully built over 30,000 buildings.
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Improved Concrete Mixers

ELIMINATION of vibration has been carried out to a fine degree in improving a well-known line of concrete mixers. The principle feature to obtain this is to get the machine to hang low to the ground; in other words to give the machine a low center of gravity. It is the same problem that the automotive manufacturers have been solving in the design of motor cars. The improvement of the mixer engine's smooth development of power has a great deal to do with keeping vibration down.

To further insure smoothness of operation, the machine is mounted upon a rigid and sufficiently heavy frame and axle construction. In order to insure perfect rigidity over the life of the machine, the frame is hot riveted together and amply cross-membered. The axle mounting and wheels are amply oversize.

On these new models, the design and arrangement of the blades and buckets give a thorough mixed and fast discharge action, and what is very important to insure smoothness of action in this part of the machine is the careful machining of the drum tracks to perfect circles and the perfect mounting of the drum on the rollers, the rollers on the trunnions and the trunnion shafts to the frame. The trunnion bearings are mounted directly on the underside of the frame, giving the machine its low center of gravity and putting the load directly onto the frame. This does away with the extra weight of the drum cradle and any possible extra motion developing through this superfluous member. Another feature that lends itself to smooth operation is the internal expanding hoisting clutch with automatic release and brake.

New, Small, Flexible Woodworker

ONE of the new machines which have been added to a well-known line of woodworking machinery is designed to meet the demand for a rugged, substantial saw table to take up a minimum floor space and to admit of the greatest possible flexibility in the matter of drive.

This machine may be belted direct to a mandrel from a line-shaft below the floor, or from a countershaft or a motor set to the rear. The frame is cast in one piece, insuring a steady running, rigid machine. The table is of iron, plane true, and is hinged to the rear of the frame. The front end raises and lowers as desired for cutting through different thicknesses and for changing saws. The ripping fence opens up to admit a board up to 19 inches wide. The cutting off fence may be used on either side of the saw and may be adjusted for cutting any angle up to 45 degrees left or right bevel. Saws up to 14 inches in diameter may be used for cutting pieces up to 4 inches thickness. An 8-inch dado head will cut grooves up to 1 inch deep.

A 3 horsepower motor may be belted direct to the mandrel pulley if it is desired to drive with a motor. Each machine is furnished with one 12-inch rip saw, one ripping fence, one cut-off gauge, one spreader and one mandrel wrench.

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Safety Ladder Shoe

THE hazard of insecure ladder footings is eliminated by the use of a safety shoe which fits onto the feet of the ladder and gives it a firm footing on hard or uneven ground, soft mud, sand, ice-coated surfaces, cement or boards.

The shoe clamps onto the ladder by means of screws. The base plate is removed for hard ground, the sharp wedge giving a firm footing. The plate, when used, is connected by a flexible joint which can be adjusted for varying bevels while the shoe remains upright. A rubber mat is also furnished to fit onto the plate which adheres firmly to smooth surfaces and is used on cement or boards.

A New Kind of Expansion Shield

IN this age of concrete, builders are always on the lookout for easy ways of fastening things to concrete. The practice has been to drill holes, insert screws or lag-screw shields, take a screwdriver or monkey-wrench and turn the screw home.

One company has brought out a new expansion shield that is much simpler to use. They claim that it saves fully 50 per cent of the time required in making the average installations.

The new shield permits a workman to use the work as a templet—does away with the necessity of spotting for holes and removing the work until the hole is drilled. Holes for this new shield are the same size as the holes in the fixture itself. This is a supreme advantage in installing heavy machinery.

This shield is flanged top and bottom. Above the bottom flange is a soft metal wrap. When the shield is dropped in the hole and the nail driven home, the forced expansion bonds the soft metal wrap into the rough ground, soft mud, sand, ice-coated surfaces, cement or boards.

One cut-off gauge, one spreader and one mandrel pulley if it is desired to drive with a motor. Each machine is furnished with one 12-inch rip saw, one ripping fence, one cut-off gauge, one spreader and one mandrel wrench.

This shield is flanged top and bottom. Above the bottom flange is a soft metal wrap. When the shield is dropped in the hole and the nail driven home, the forced expansion bonds the soft metal wrap into the rough walls of the hole and the bottom flange clinches the side with a viselike grip—far below the surface. The nail merely expands the metal. The top flange holds the load.
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What's New?

A Built-in Ironing Machine

The need to economize space is nowhere so important as in the kitchen. The day of the large kitchen is gone forever, not only from the builder's standpoint of cost, but from the woman's standpoint of saving steps and having only to reach for the thing she needs, as in the kitchen of a Pullman dining car.

A built-in ironing machine is the latest feature to make its appearance. Built-in ironboards are quite common but ironing by hand is one of the most dreaded routine tasks of the housewife or maid. The ironer that reduces the labor of this task and saves from three to four hours in the bargain makes an almost irresistible appeal to the prospective tenant of an apartment or the purchaser of a home.

Many apartment buildings have a laundry in the basement, but investigation discloses these rarely, if ever, used by the tenant. Laundresses when available can often not be had on a particular day, and the housewife herself, even where she is disposed to do this job herself, will not do so where others might observe her. In the case of the home owner, she also prefers to iron in her kitchen, where she may answer the door or telephone without climbing the basement stairs and where she may better keep her children in view. Again the average kitchen is better lighted, better aired, than even a well appointed home laundry, so from every angle the built-in kitchen ironing machine is bound to appeal to women and to every builder who realizes the financial advantage to himself of catering to and anticipating her wants in a practical manner.

They are made to heat with gas or electricity, and operated with a small electric motor, both heat and power are automatically cut off when the ironer is retired to its vertical or storage position. When not in use it occupies only a little more than a square foot of space.

Simple, Combination Woodworker

The manufacturers of a certain combination woodworker jointer-planer have listed a number of operations possible with this machine if variations of the same operation such, for instance, as dadoing and plowing, jointing and planing, were listed. The makers contend themselves with the statement that the machine will do all the work of any saw table, any jointer, any thickness planer, any boring table and any speed spindle within certain limits of size. Their folder illustrates twenty entirely different and practical operations, and there are many other special operations possible according to the needs of the user.

The thickness planer on this machine is a particular feature. It planes any number of pieces to the same exact thickness anywhere between 4 inches and 3/16 inch. This machine is mounted on a heavy base with a low center of gravity, which makes for stability. The high-speed saw and cutters are all enclosed and guarded.

Colored Slate Floors

Builders have dreamed of a natural stone flooring in such form that it could be laid over old wood or old cement floors when such old surfaces required refinishing, or over new sub-floors without the considerable expense that a concrete base involves. The dream has been realized with the announcement of colored slate tile floors.

The material is natural colored slate—purple, grey, and green— quarried from the Vermont Hills, and furnished in the form of tiles eight inches square and three-sixteenths inches in thickness. In this form it is an entirely new product, both in the manner of its fabrication and in its application as a natural colored stone veneer for flooring purposes. Its unique method of installation makes it suitable not only for new construction, but also the ideal material for resurfacing or redecorating old floors.

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**Folding Metal Roof Bracket**

A PATENT was recently granted which covers the plank stop feature of a folding metal sheathing and roofing bracket. This bracket folds compactly for storage or transportation, but can be quickly set up and is instantly adjustable to any pitch roof. It locks, with a sliding lock into notched strips, in open position ready for use. It is supported on the roof by nails in four slotted holes in the body of the bracket and can be quickly and easily removed. It can be used for applying sheathing and all roofing materials, including Spanish tile.

The bracket is made of 16 and 18-gauge galvanized metal and all the die stamped parts are scientifically riveted together. Boards or planks up to 12 inches can be used with these brackets and they are guaranteed to carry any weight the workmen may pile on. The plank stop feature is easily attached or detached and is designed to retain 2 by 4, 2 by 6, or 2 by 8 planks firmly against the roof.

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**What's New?**

**Automatic Door Switch**

SOME of the mechanical appliances which make their appearance seem almost to take the place of human intelligence or even improve upon it. Such a device is an electric door switch which fits into the casing of a door, where it is out of sight, and is operated by the opening and closing of the door. It is intended to control the lights in closets, pantries, garages, attics, cellars, vestibules, and all dark places which are ordinarily kept closed. Opening the door turns on the light and closing the door extinguishes it.

This switch can be installed at any time at small expense and will soon save sufficient current to pay for itself, according to the manufacturers. Another style of the same switch turns off the light when the door is opened and closes the circuit, turning on the light, when the door is closed. The same switches are also made enclosed in watertight boxes for use in cold storage rooms, textile mills, oil refineries, dye plants, for marine use and other places where water tight or dust tight switches are required.

**A New Screen Tacking Device**

AMONG the new developments in modern screen making is a new tacking or stapling device as illustrated in the accompanying cut, the tacker shown being designed especially for screen work. It is unique in that it is equipped with replaceable hardened steel claws fastened by means of a screw on both sides of tacker, the claws being provided with two small teeth each; these enable the operator to draw the screen into position without the use of pliers, and to simultaneously drive a staple by striking tacker plunger, thereby fastening the screen securely. On any special work where the claws cannot be used to advantage, they may be readily removed and the device operated as a plain tacker.

It is claimed by the manufacturers that this stapler has five times the speed of hammer and common tacks, as it drives a staple securely into hard or soft wood as fast as the plunger can be operated. A feature which adds greatly to its efficiency is the fact that the stapler uses a staple strip of 77 units enabling the operator to actually drive 77 staples before reloading becomes necessary. Another point claimed is that the reloading may be accomplished in approximately three seconds time. The staples joined together in one strip eliminates the possibility of one staple over-riding another or of the staples being wasted by spilling during the process of reloading.

They come in sealed boxes, 10,000 to the box, packed neatly in layers in such a way that the strips may be removed without becoming caught or tangled. This feature avoids possibility of bent strips and wasting of staples, and insures greater efficiency and satisfaction to the user.

The tacker is light and convenient to handle, weighing only 1¾ pounds, and may be carried in the hip, pocket if desired. In order that the device may stand up well for heavy usage all working parts are of steel properly hardened and tempered.
Bridging Desert Sands with rot-resisting Redwood

AN American Sahara, just north of the Mexican line in California, is being bridged with a new type Redwood plank road, eighteen feet wide.

Less than ten years ago a solid plank road of another wood was built to keep open this southern highway to the east. But dryrot has made repairs necessary. Failure to leave openings between the planks has required the use of scrapers to remove drifted sand after each sandstorm. In both material and construction it has proved an expensive experiment.

The new Redwood road is built of 6"x8" timbers laid on the 8" side. They are separated by 4"x6"x24" spacers, placed to form a track and continuous path for vehicles.

The timbers are bolted together in 6-foot sections which are fastened together with hooks and eyes. When this road becomes buried in sand a truck with a crane will go over it, raising one section at a time, shaking it free of sand and replacing it. In a few hours' time the road will be again ready for traffic.

Redwood was selected for this road by the California State Highway Commission because it has unusual resistance to dry rot and has proved to be the most durable lumber for all exposed types of work.

For all exterior building construction purposes where wood is used, Redwood remains sound indefinitely. Write for TPL Co. lists of Redwood lumber and millwork and for our "Construction Digest".

Heat Leakage to the chimney can be avoided

A GOOD many builders find that heating difficulty and unnecessary fuel expense is caused by heat leakage to the chimney. Only a small share of the warmth directed to the rooms ever gets there because of unscientific boiler construction.

You will never experience this trouble with the thrifty Thatcher Steam or Hot Water Boiler. The special "Staggered Fire Travel" extracts all the valuable thermal units from the smoke and hot gases before allowing them to escape up the chimney. The result is heatless chimney smoke, low fuel consumption and abundant warmth throughout the house.

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WHEN WRITING ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THE AMERICAN BUILDER
Cities Use Gas to Heat in Winter and Cool in Summer

Gas companies are solving the house heating problem by finding summer uses for gas which will equal or at least approximate the winter heating load, according to reports from Chicago, Portland, Ore., and other cities received by the American Gas Association.

Heretofore many gas companies were reluctant to take on house heating to any great extent because of the enormous strain on plant capacity which might occur during the winter as compared with the summer when no gas is used for the purpose. This would necessitate the installation of expensive gas manufacturing equipment, much of which would idle nearly half the time.

Reports coming in to the Association, however, indicate that there is a large potential demand for gas in the summer as well as in the winter time. Many householders and some theaters and public buildings, meat and fish markets, etc., now use gas in ammonia refrigerators or cooling plants and engineers say it is possible to cool the nation’s houses through the same agency that is being increasingly used to warm them; thus keeping a building so equipped at a uniform temperature throughout the year.

The cooling effect of city gas is produced by absorbing ammonia in water, boiling off the ammonia as a gas, cooling the ammonia gas and allowing it to expand into the refrigerating coils. The expansion of the ammonia gas causes the cooling effect in the refrigerator. The ammonia is recondensed and again goes through the same cycle. City gas comes into play when burned to evaporate the ammonia gas.

Other summer loads are also being investigated by the gas companies. For one thing, it has been discovered that the production of hot dogs, pretzels and cookies, to meet the demands of picknickers, is at the highest peak during summer months. Gas is extensively used for these and many other operations.

\[\text{T. L. Smith’s New York Office Moved}\]

The New York sales office of the T. L. Smith Company, of Milwaukee, has been removed from its former address at 50 Church Street, to 441 Lexington Avenue. A complete stock of this company’s line of tilting and non-tilting concrete mixers is maintained by this office, being warehouse at Sedgewick Avenue and 167th Street. A service station is also maintained where all repair parts are fully stocked. Mr. B. Rider is the New York sales manager.

The company also announces that Mr. G. C. Kenney will handle its sales of Smith pavers in the territory in and around Kansas City, Mo. He will maintain an office at 410 New York Life Building, Kansas City. As in the past, the Bunting Hardware and Machinery Co., which has the Smith territory in Missouri and Oklahoma, will continue handling the complete line of mixers.

\[\text{Takes Over Keating Flush Valve}\]

The Bridgeport Brass Company has taken over all the rights to the Keating Flush Valve, manufactured formerly by the Keating Valve Company, Springfield, Mass. The valve has been re-designed in its constructional details to conform to the general principles of manufacture followed by the Bridgeport Brass Company, thereby gaining the light weight, strength and density of metal that wrought brass parts possess in contrast to castings. In referring to the new valve, the Bridgeport Brass Company emphasizes the fact that the operating principles of the valve, backed by the fifteen years’ experience of the Keating Valve Company, are retained intact. There will also be available the distribution and service resources of the Bridgeport Brass Company, which has manufactured and sold tubular plumbing goods and Plumrite brass pipe for the past fifty years. The company is now in the act of producing the valve in commercial quantities which will be ready for general distribution very shortly.

\[\text{Develop New Wall Finish}\]

ANNOUNCEMENT has just been made by the Louisville Cement Company, of Louisville, Ky., of a new product which it is now ready to place upon the market. This product is in the nature of cement material for both interior and exterior walls and will be marketed under the trade name Walament. The company has been experimenting with this material for several years and has found it entirely satisfactory on buildings of various types. A number of unusual qualities are credited to it.

\[\text{New Zinc Institute President}\]

A. F. Cobb, vice-president of the New Jersey Zinc Company, was elected president of The American Zinc Institute for the coming year at the annual meeting in St. Louis the last week in April. Mr. Cobb has been prominent in the affairs of the Zinc Institute since its formation, having filled, until the recent election, the position of vice-president and chairman of the executive committee.

\[\text{Start Building at Brigantine Beach}\]

BRIGANTINE Beach, a new ocean suburban addition to Atlantic City, N. J., will be formally opened this season. This subdivision is connected with Atlantic City by a million dollar bridge and Boulevard and is within ten minutes ride by automobile from the railroad stations. Three thousand people have already bought lots, the sales exceeding $5,515,000, so the subdivision is already sold out and building will begin this summer. A high standard of excellence in materials and furnishings will be set by the Brigantine Beach Home Beautiful to be constructed by the Island Development Company, of Atlantic City, which is handling this new suburb.

\[\text{Standard Contract Forms Ready}\]

The Associated General Contractors announce that both the building and engineering standard contract forms, as they now stand approved by the Joint Conference on Standard Contracts, are ready for distribution. The engineering form is published by the A. G. C., Mussey Bldg., Washington, D. C., while the building form is handled by the American Institute of Architects, The Octagon, Washington, D. C. These Associations are urging the adoption of the forms for all operations and ask for cooperation in spreading their use.

\[\text{Elect New Standard Officer}\]

The Standard Scale & Supply Corporation, with general offices at Pittsburgh, has announced the recent election of R. H. Chappel as treasurer and general manager. This corporation, which is entirely new and separate from the old Standard Scale & Supply Company of Beaver Falls (now out of existence), manufacture railroad track and truck scales, the narrow drum concrete mixer and handle contractor’s equipment in general. It maintains branch offices, warehouses and stores in Pittsburgh, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and Cleveland.
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