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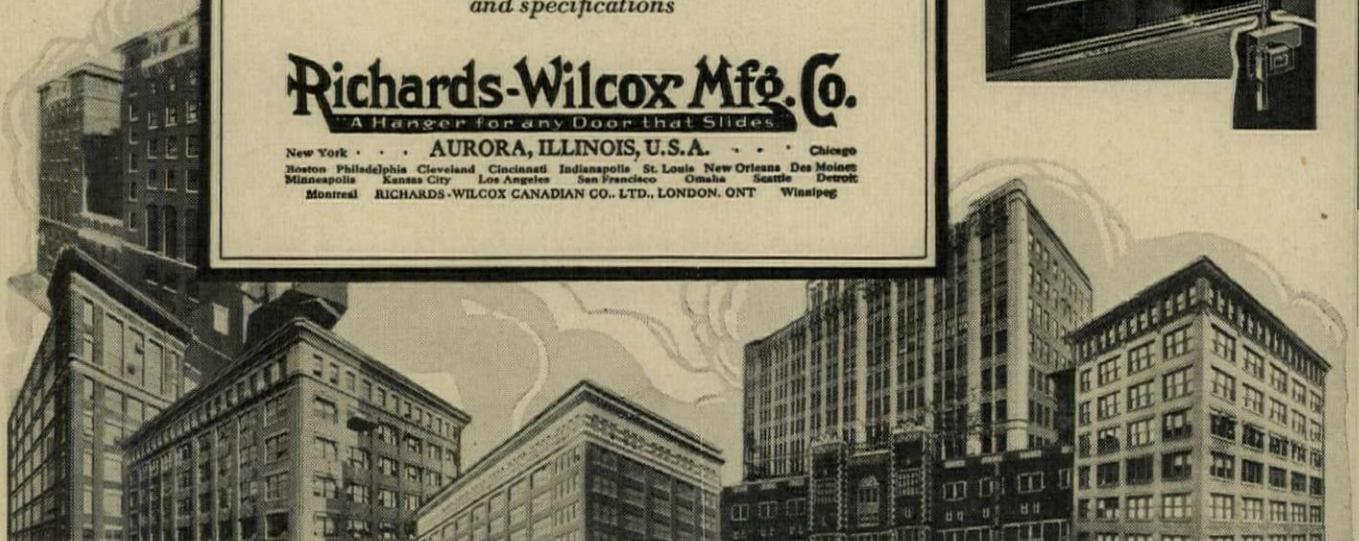
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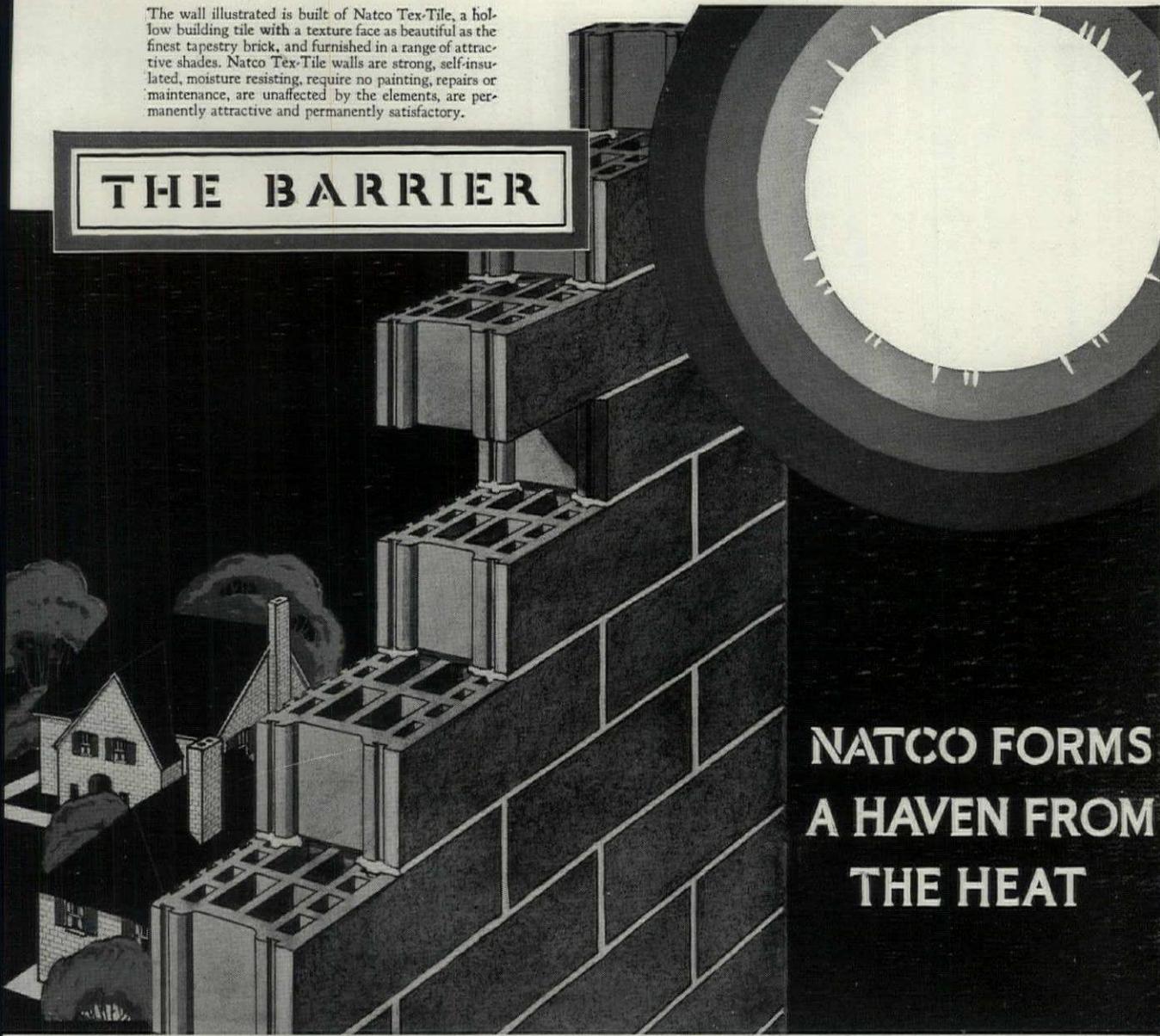


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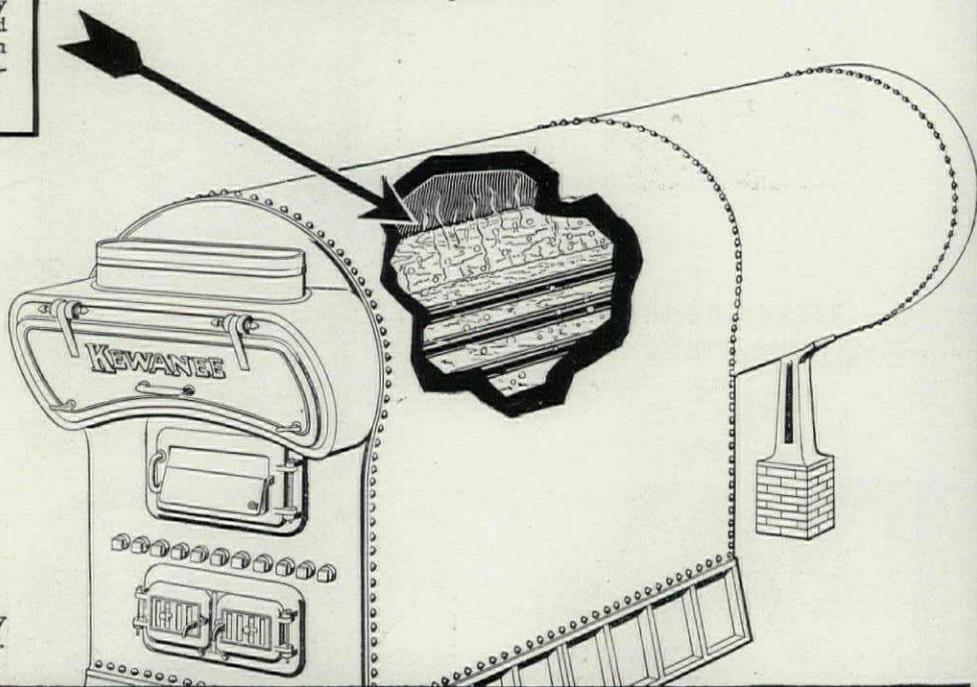
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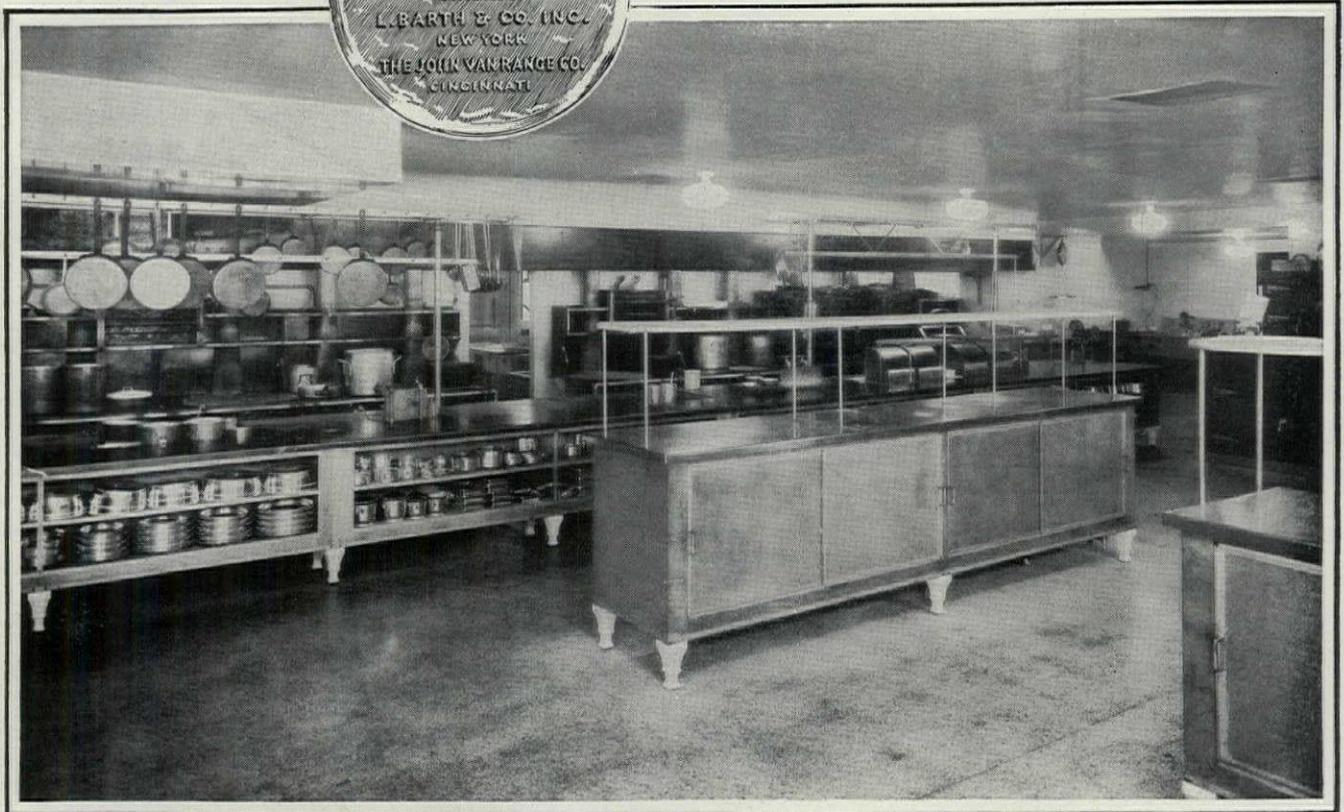
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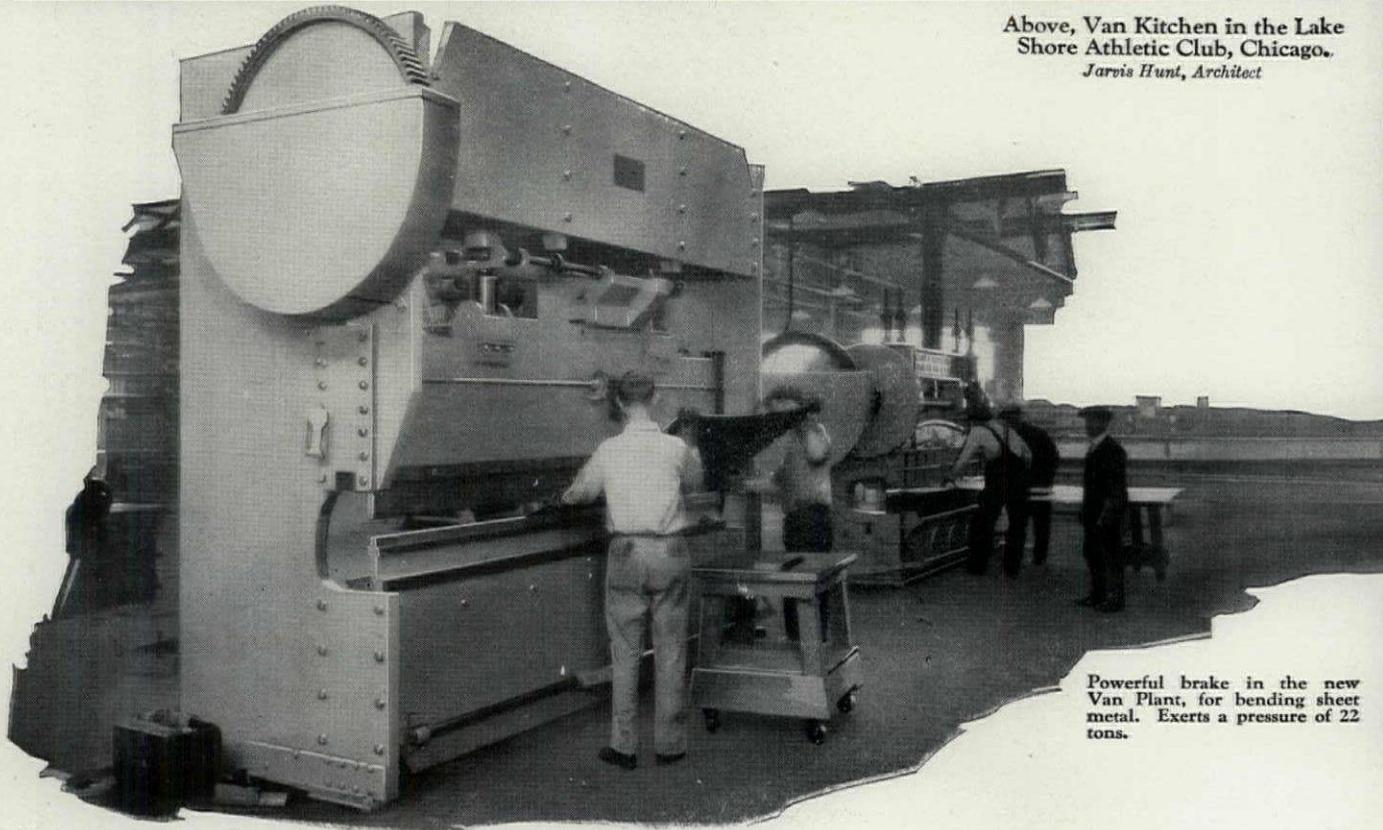
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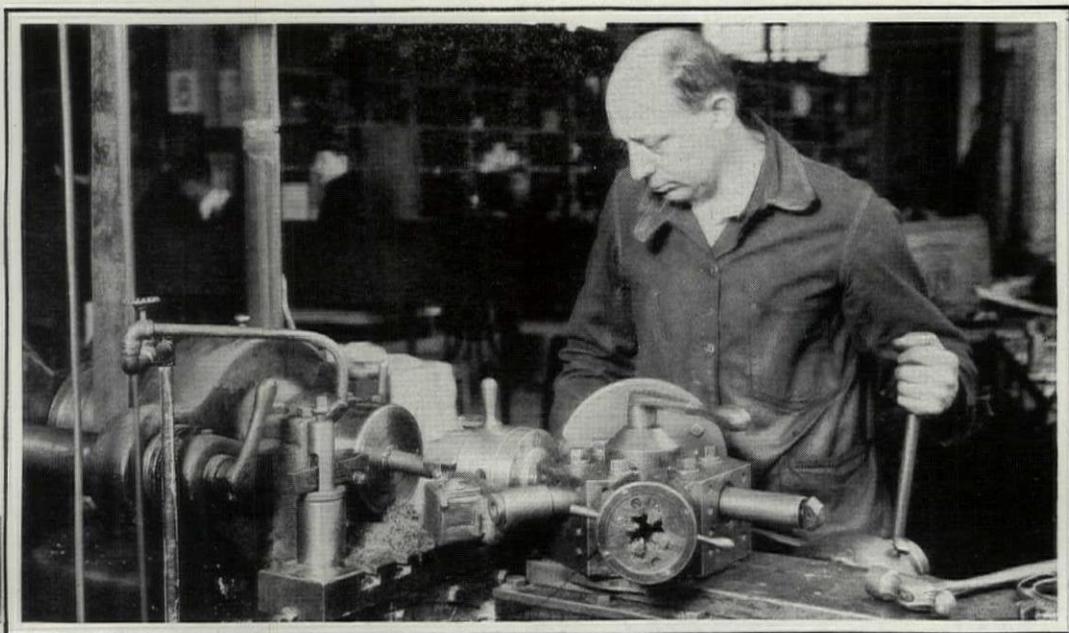
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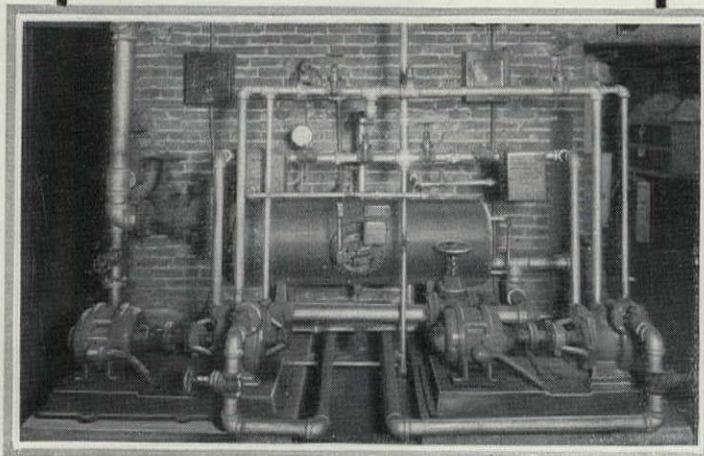
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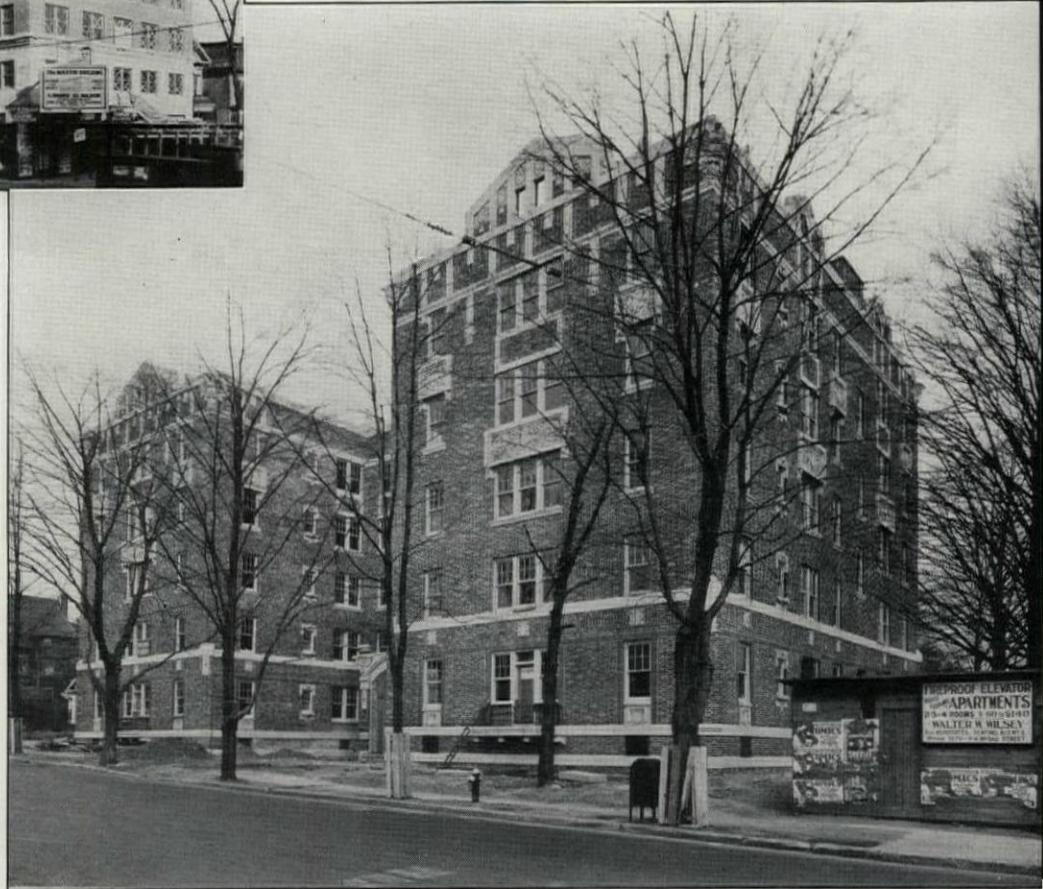
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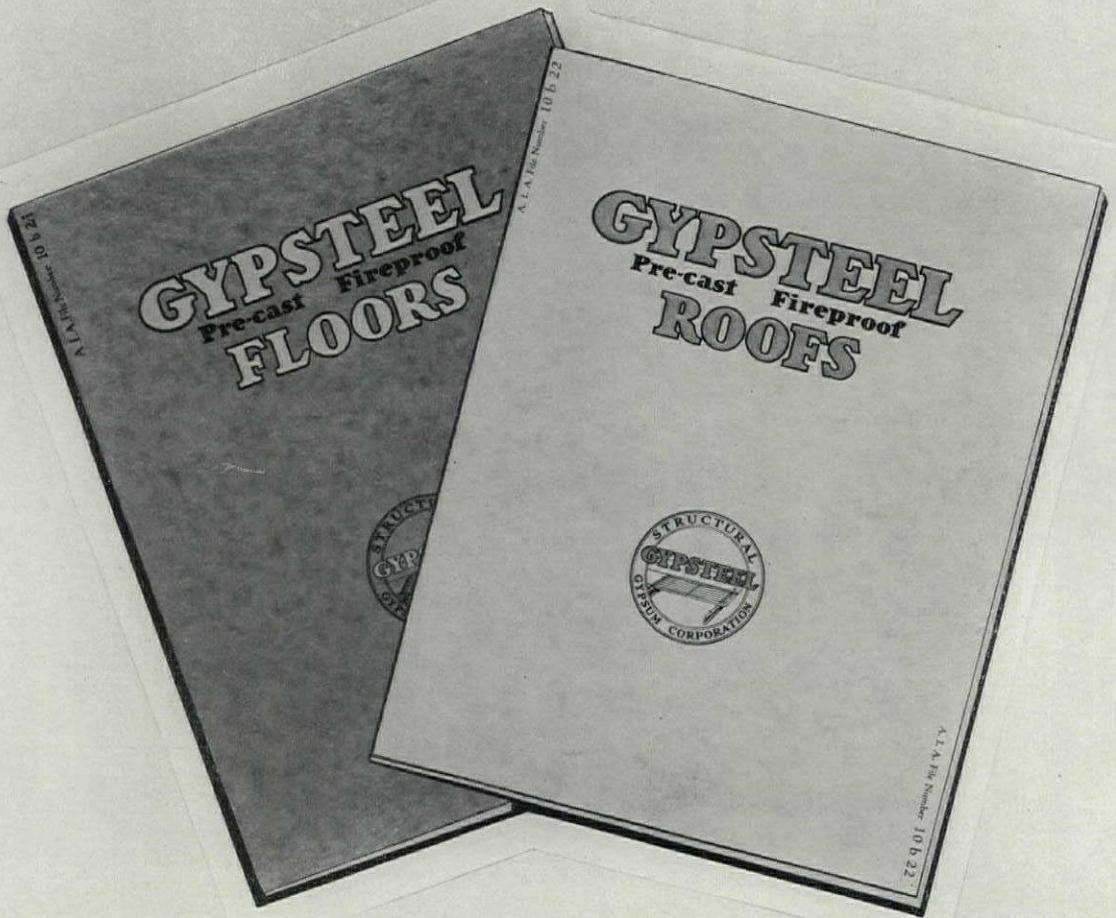
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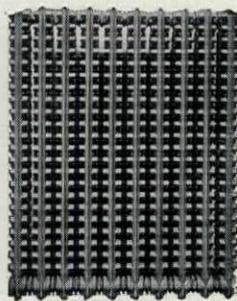
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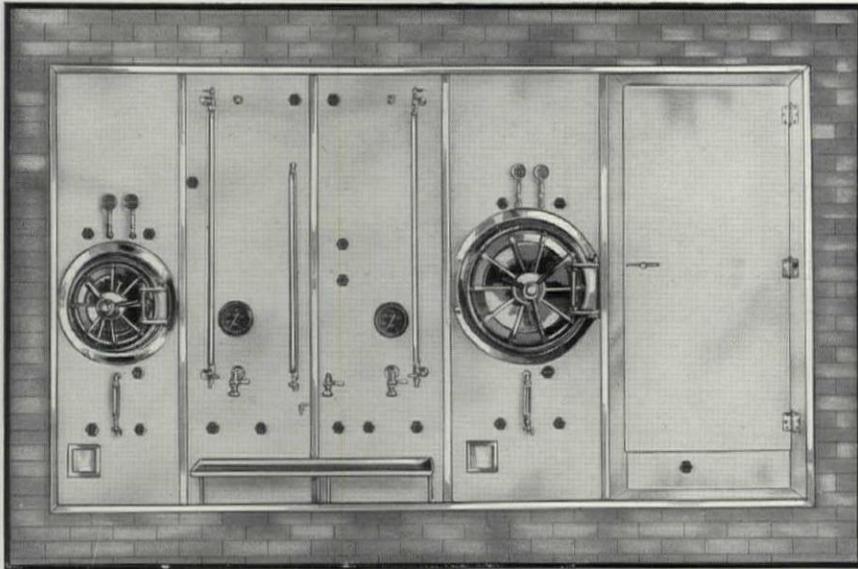
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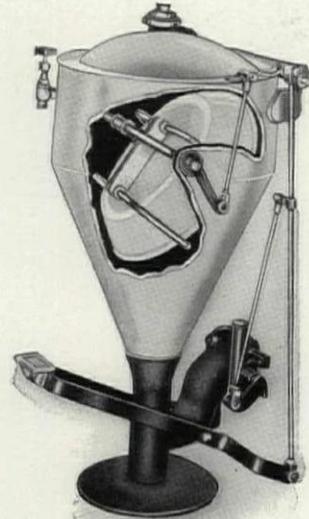
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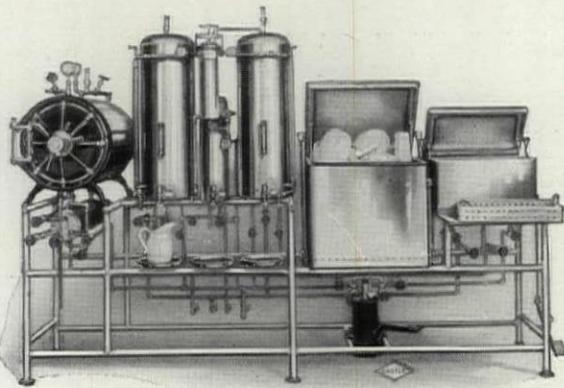
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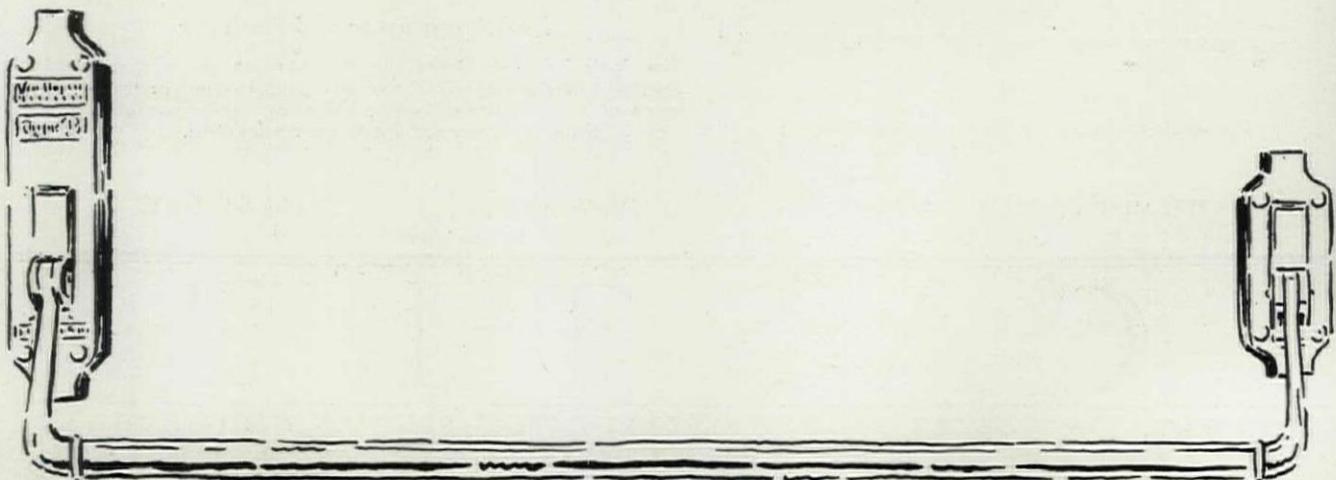
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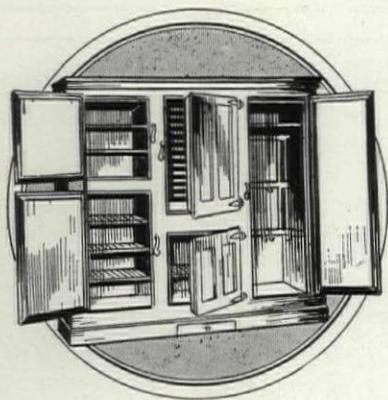
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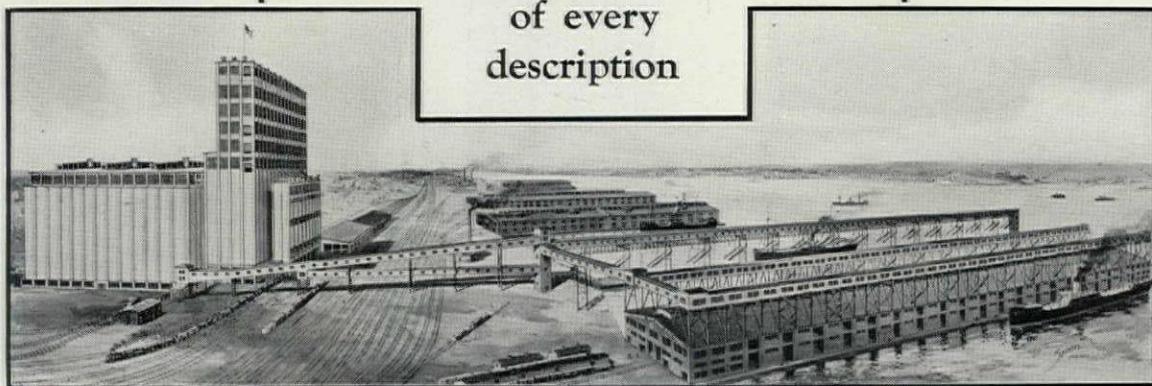
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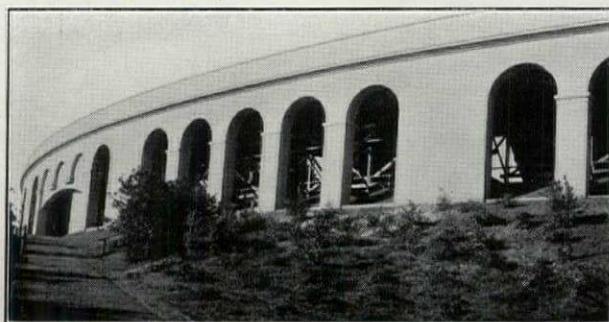
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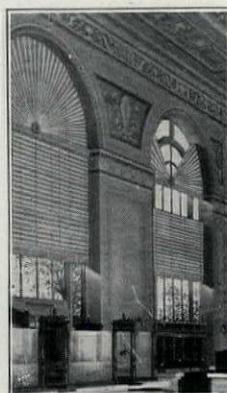
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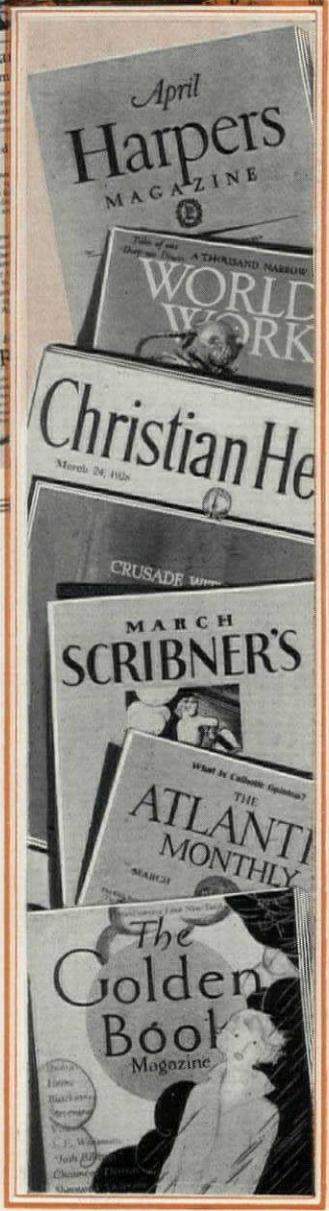
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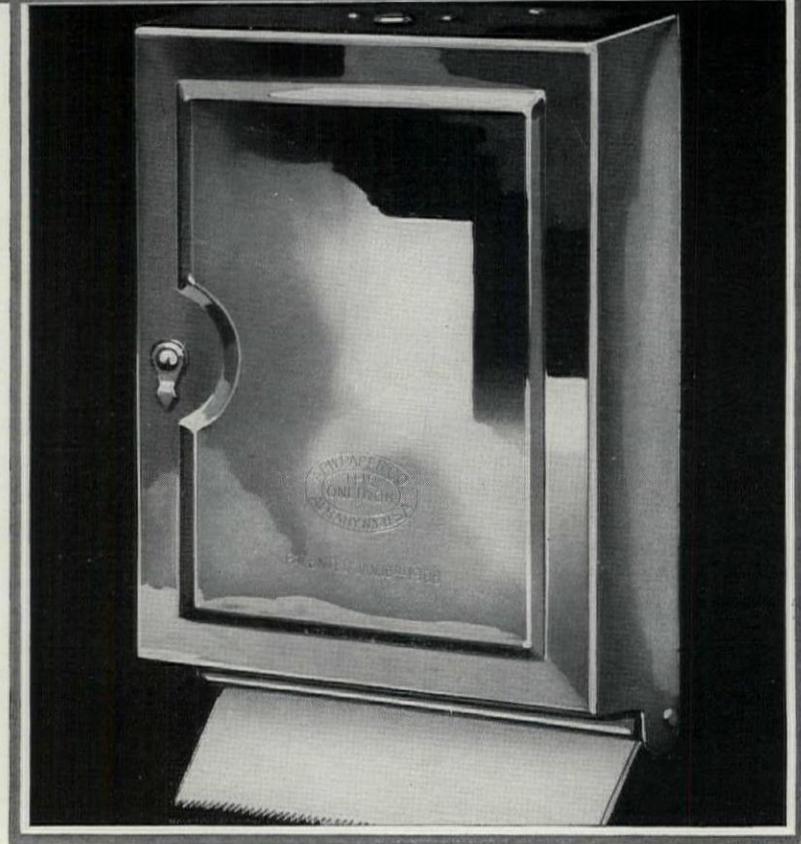
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TO gain satisfactory results in any form of work it is of the greatest importance that the workman know thoroughly the materials with which he is to work. Thus in order for an artist to create paintings of lasting beauty it is necessary not only for him to understand how to mix his colors to obtain the necessary shades and tints, but it is also desirable for him to know something of the chemistry and the permanency of the pigments that make up his palette so that he will know which can be safely mixed and used so that the original effects will last indefinitely without fading or changing color. This is also true of the architect, who performs his work indirectly, using a large variety of building materials as his medium. The variety and complexity of these materials are rapidly increasing, but the three most important in order of their importance are steel, lumber, and concrete. The latter, which is of comparatively recent development, is rapidly gaining in importance and will undoubtedly soon surpass timber in importance as a structural building material. Portland cement, which is by far the most important binding material used in concrete, was invented in England a little over 100 years ago, but up until 1872, when David O. Saylor started his investigations with Portland cement, it was little used in America. From that time until the beginning of the twentieth century the development was very slow, and in 1894 there were only about 20 plants in the United States, producing about 800,000 barrels annually. The growth since then, however, has been phenomenal, so that at the present time there are about 140 plants producing more than 150,000,000 barrels of cement annually. This growth is due partly to new discoveries of suitable raw materials and new and improved methods of manufacture, and partly to the enormous demand for this type of building material which has arisen, its properties making it particularly suitable to the modern type of building. New equipment and elevating machinery now make it possible for the tallest structures to be constructed of reinforced concrete, producing a building of great strength, rigidity and permanence. The use of iron and steel as reinforcing for concrete also adds greatly to its possibilities as a structural material, and there is scarcely a single instance of a modern building of any considerable size which has been constructed recently without the use in at least some portion of this material. Another reason for the wide use of concrete is the necessity of building fireproof structures, and there is no material more useful in this connection, especially in floor construction. In addition to all this, the possibilities of concrete construction have been enhanced by its new use as a decorative medium.

In using concrete it is of the utmost importance that great care be taken in proportioning the mixture, mixing it, and placing it under proper conditions so that it is adequate for the purpose for which it is to be used. A slight error in any of these processes is capable of causing enormous damage, there being instances where entire buildings have collapsed due to carelessness in one of these details. While these problems are primarily the

concern of the contractor, it is highly desirable that the architect be thoroughly familiar with them in order to render efficient service in designing a structure and supervising its construction. There is a large amount of material available as a result of the scientific research which has been carried on by the various cement companies as well as by public and semi-public agencies, such as technical schools and colleges. So great is the necessity of care in connection with concrete work that many of the larger construction companies maintain their own testing and research laboratories for the careful study of concrete.

Courses in the use of concrete are given in certain colleges and vocational schools throughout the country, and it is as a textbook for such a course that "Concrete Practice" by George A. Hool and Harry E. Pulver, professors of structural engineering in the extension division of the University of Wisconsin, was written. However, the subject is so presented that the volume should be a useful guide and source of information to those connected in any way with work in concrete. The book is divided into six main sections. The first deals with fundamental considerations, discussing the various parts of the mix, describing the aggregate, both fine and coarse, and placing special emphasis on the fact that strength in concrete depends largely on having the proportion of water to cement as small as possible and still have a workable mix. The properties of concrete and the effects of various substances on its strength are also discussed. The second section covers the proportioning, mixing and placing of the concrete, considerable space being devoted to description of the various methods of determining the proper mix to give the required strength according to individual requirements. Some description of forms, concrete block manufacture, and the making of cast stone is included. In the third section typical contracts, specifications, and plans are given for various kinds of structural work. Section six is of great practical value, as it shows the best practice in estimating all the different branches of concrete work, including forms and reinforcing steel. One section is devoted to outlining the procedure to be followed in the laboratory work in designing and testing concrete, and another is on field work and takes up the subject from the standpoint of the inspector, a section which should be especially interesting to the architect. Field methods in connection with several different kinds of concrete work are described.

The appendix at the end of the volume contains much valuable and useful information in tabular form, including much material from reports of the American Society for Testing Materials, and a table from "the 1924 report of the Joint Committee on Standard Specifications for Concrete and Reinforced Concrete," by use of which it is possible to determine the composition of the mix which may be expected to give a required compressive strength after having been allowed to cure for 28 days.

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A Review by TYLER STEWART ROGERS

WITHIN recent years the architectural press in general, THE ARCHITECTURAL FORUM in particular, has been placing increased emphasis upon the importance to architects of a practical working knowledge of building economics and finance. Even a casual examination of the statistics showing the annual construction in the United States will indicate that but a fraction of 1 per cent of all building construction is of a purely monumental character, governed entirely by æsthetic considerations and free from problems of utility and cost. Except for the homes of the wealthy and a relatively small number of institutional and public buildings for which funds have been donated or appropriated, building construction depends upon the success of efforts to finance the projects. At least a great majority of homes and business buildings are constructed with funds supplied in part by others than the owners. The financing of real estate by mortgages has become such common practice that only rarely are new projects undertaken without securing a certain proportion of the funds through mortgage sources.

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estate finance is the procurement of funds to bridge the gap between the amount available on a first mortgage and the amount of the owner's equity. This need for "junior" loans has never been satisfactorily filled, and yet it is of the utmost economic importance to the continued progress of the entire building industry that it should be. This book is an exceedingly clear and detailed presentation of the problem of junior financing of real estate. It is written by a man of broad experience in home financing. Dr. Reep is a lecturer on real estate at the University of Minnesota; Chairman of the Mortgage and Finance Division of the National Association of Real Estate Boards; and President of the Home Financing Corporation and Home Building and Loan Association of Minneapolis. Much of the data presented in his book has been collected through detailed researches carried on in connection with his work for the National Association of Real Estate Boards and his analysis of building and loan associations as sources for junior financing, and this work is the first complete and comprehensive study that has been published.

Junior financing has long been burdened with bad reputation, due partly to its speculative nature, but very largely to the sharp practices which have commonly prevailed. There is a peculiar legal problem having an important influence on the junior financing field which Dr. Reep has analyzed in detail and for which he has sought a constructive solution. The early pages of the book are devoted to junior financing as the chief real estate finan-

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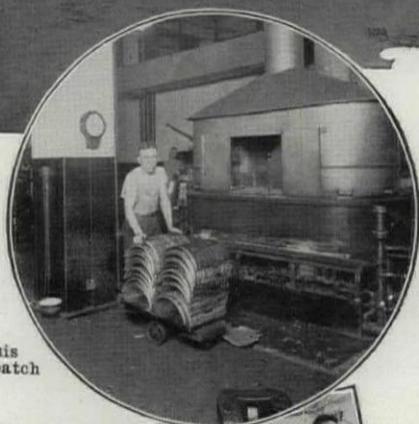
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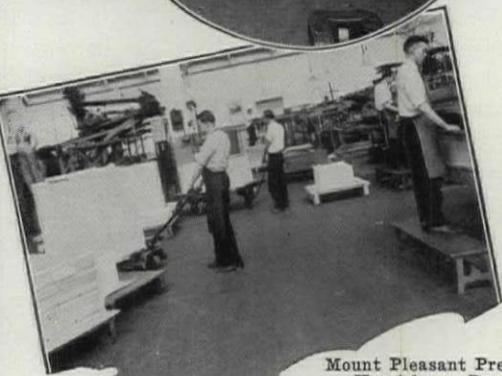


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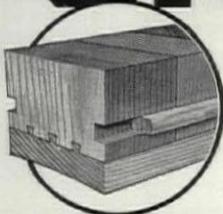
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cing problem. This is followed by a discussion of the security in back of junior liens. The security back of first mortgages is carefully analyzed, and the conclusion is reached that a 50 per cent margin is necessary for the adequate security of these senior obligations. The prevailing rate for first mortgages ranges from 5 to 7 per cent with 6 per cent as a more or less standard average, and in many states this return is the legal rate and may also be the statutory maximum. Obviously, junior liens are worth a higher return, for they have less security, but usury laws frequently make it illegal to charge any appreciable increase over the rate obtained for senior obligations. The usury laws are frequently enforced by severe penalties, ranging from forfeiture of excess interest up to forfeiture of both principal and interest and conviction for misdemeanor. Naturally, the usury laws restrain capital from entering the junior lien field, for an adequate return can be obtained only by evading the law or else by attempting to camouflage usury in an illegal manner. The risk attending the latter course is exceedingly high, for legal restrictions have been so written as to make it almost impossible to camouflage usury. Naturally, a business which must depend upon evasion or directly illegal practices has lacked interest to financial sources of integrity and responsibility, and the field of junior financing has been left almost entirely to individual lenders whose operations are without the regulation accorded by law to other types of banking.

The basic need for second mortgage financing, combined with the necessity for obtaining higher rates than are charged for senior securities and the problem of ob-

taining this higher rate without taint of usury, is a matter of direct interest to all architects, builders and bankers interested in real estate financing and development. The solution presented by Dr. Reep calls for the modification of usury laws and the proper legal control of second mortgage financing. A possible solution is also presented in the opportunities for developing second mortgage building and loan associations. In most states building and loan associations (which confine themselves entirely to making first mortgages with rare exceptions) are exempted from the operations of the usury laws. Their low cost of doing business, their intimate knowledge of the factors influencing each loan, and their cooperative nature are also factors pointing toward the possible development of such associations to solve the home building financing problem. Attention is also devoted to land contracts as compared with second mortgages. A land contract is essentially an agreement for the delivery of a deed on a specified date in consideration of payments made at stated intervals in the interim. The seller retains the deed for the property until all payments with interest have been completed. When used in its proper manner, i. e., for an actual sale based upon an extended payment system, it stands legally as a contract. When used to secure a loan it is interpreted by the courts as a mortgage and must be foreclosed rather than cancelled. Since foreclosure involves a period of redemption, whereas the simple cancellation of a contract can be accomplished in a relatively short period, land contracts have often been used in place of mortgages because of the advantages they give to the

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The author has confessed that much difficulty attended the division of the subject matter into chapters. He has, nevertheless, achieved a very logical sequence covering all of the essential points and the important ramifications of the subject by basing his discussion on the sequence of operations in making a loan. The first chapter discusses "The Chief Real Estate Financing Problem," and the two following chapters take up the "Field of Junior Lien Financing" and "Junior Lien Security." Chapter 4 is entirely devoted to "Appraising the Security," which is the first practical operation in making or purchasing a second mortgage or land contract. The following chapter discusses "Commissions and Discounts" and is based on much special research in many cities. Chapters 6 and 7 are devoted to the "Preparation of Second Mortgage Papers" and the "Preparation of Land Contract Papers." These chapters are exceedingly practical and explain clearly even to the layman the meaning of the statutory requirements and phrases used in these documents. Since usury plays such an important role in junior lien financing and since it is determined as of the time the papers are delivered. Chapters 8 and 9 deal with this subject,—the former discussing the problem fundamentally, and the latter treating of its practical aspects. Chapter 10 is devoted to the important question of "Second Mortgages by Building and Loan Associations." After the second mortgage has been closed, or after the property has been sold on land contract, the next important operation may be the enforcement of its performance or some remedy in lieu thereof. In Chapter 11 on "Foreclosure of Second Mortgages" and Chapter 12, "The Cancellation of Land Contracts," these problems are analyzed in detail.

To assist in overcoming the many obstacles now present in junior lien financing of real estate, and on the theory that light dispels darkness, the author has devoted Chapter 13 to "Sharp Practices in this Field." Here are explained many of the methods employed by unscrupulous lenders, brokers and borrowers which have brought disrepute into the lay mind to this form of banking. The closing chapters are devoted to the "Broker and Junior Lien Field" (Chapter 14); the "Second Mortgage Market" (Chapter 15); the "Organization of Second Mortgage and Land Contract Companies" (Chapter 16); and the "Future of Second Mort-

gage and Land Contract Financing" at the close of the volume. These chapters form the basis for a constructive development of junior lien financing and point the way to what will probably become an important and ethical branch of real estate banking and financing.

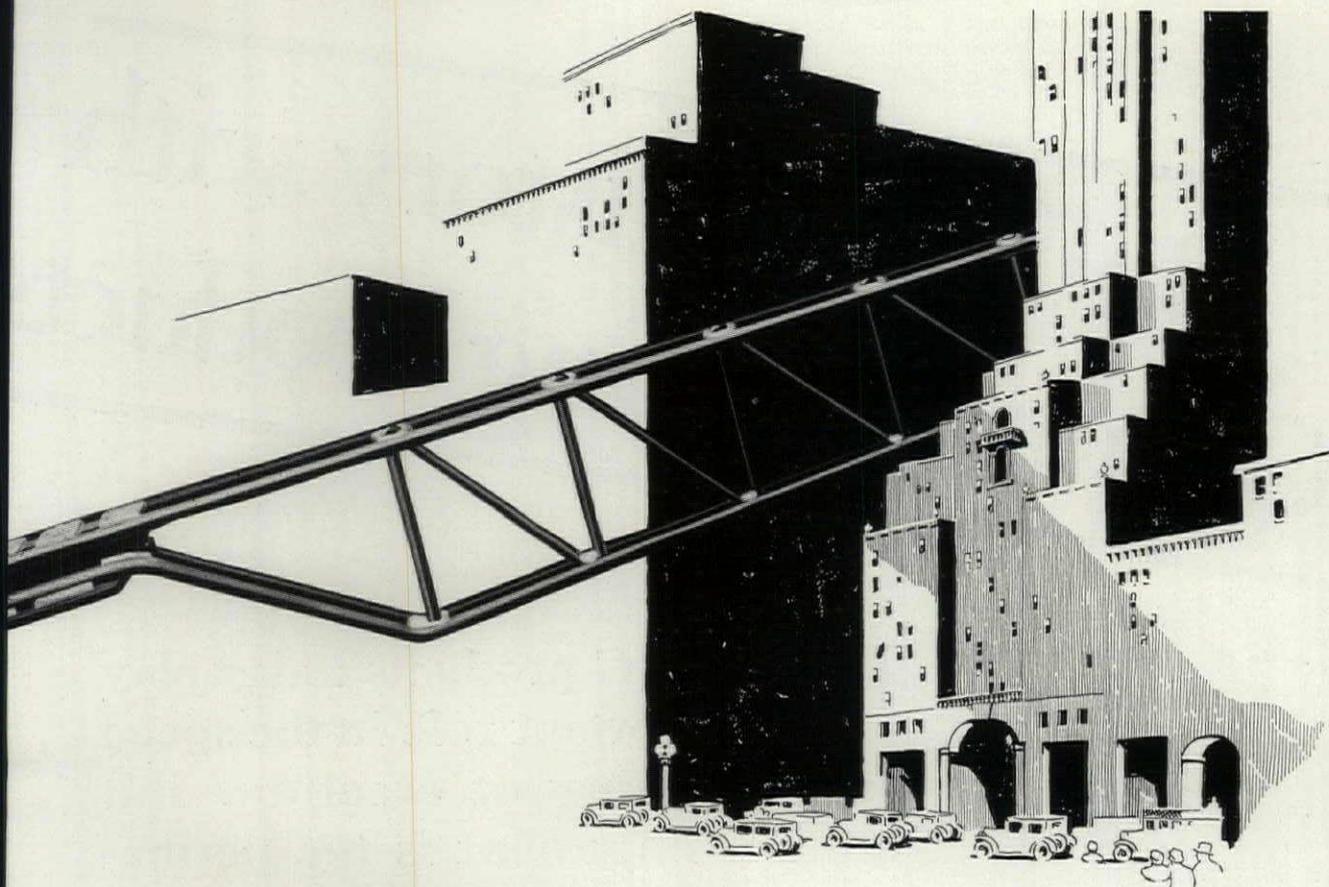
In general, the author is to be commended for the clarity with which he has presented his facts, for the completeness with which the influencing factors have been analyzed and set in their proper order, and for the saneness and reserve which mark this conclusion and recommendations. The book will have a wide range of interest, benefiting the student, the layman, the broker and banker alike. It is a work to be recommended to the architect who appreciates the value to himself and to his clients of a thorough knowledge of the business practices which are essential to the development of the business from which he derives his income.

The author has in no sense made this book a medium for propaganda; nevertheless his clear exposition of the legal difficulties besetting the junior lien field may become instrumental in bringing about much needed changes in usury laws. This matter deserves further notice here. At present the several states (with Massachusetts as a notable exception) have usury laws which so definitely conflict with the natural operation of the laws of supply and demand in their influence on the second mortgage and land contract market that they compel evasion or infraction, and directly result in higher charges than are necessary because of the trouble or risk involved. These laws have teeth. The losses attending an action on the grounds of usury are very bad. Infraction is attempted only by the unscrupulous lender dealing with the most ignorant borrowers, and the rates then charged are indeed exorbitant. Evasion is legally accomplished by the discount system involving a third party or straw man, whose services must be paid for as part of the borrower's expense. Either way, the borrower pays a premium because the laws designed for his protection limit the legal charges to a point substantially below a reasonable compensation for the risk involved.

The author does not seek the repeal of usury laws *per se*; rather, he feels the need for intelligent regulation of this branch of banking and real estate finance with a reasonable opportunity to place junior liens on a credit basis compatible with their worth under freely competitive conditions. Through such regulation, the cost of junior financing would be reduced, and part of the risk lessened to the benefit of lender and borrower alike and to the advancement of real estate building. Likewise, junior lien financing would regain its lost prestige and reputation and would be restored to its rightful place among legitimate and beneficial financial practices.

Another point of special interest to those concerned with building finance is the discussion of real estate security, and the corollary problem of real estate appraisals. The younger business generation, whose experience in real estate does not date back to pre-war periods of depression, will find the author's review of the factors which influence realty values most instructive. The importance of the work should secure it wide circulation.

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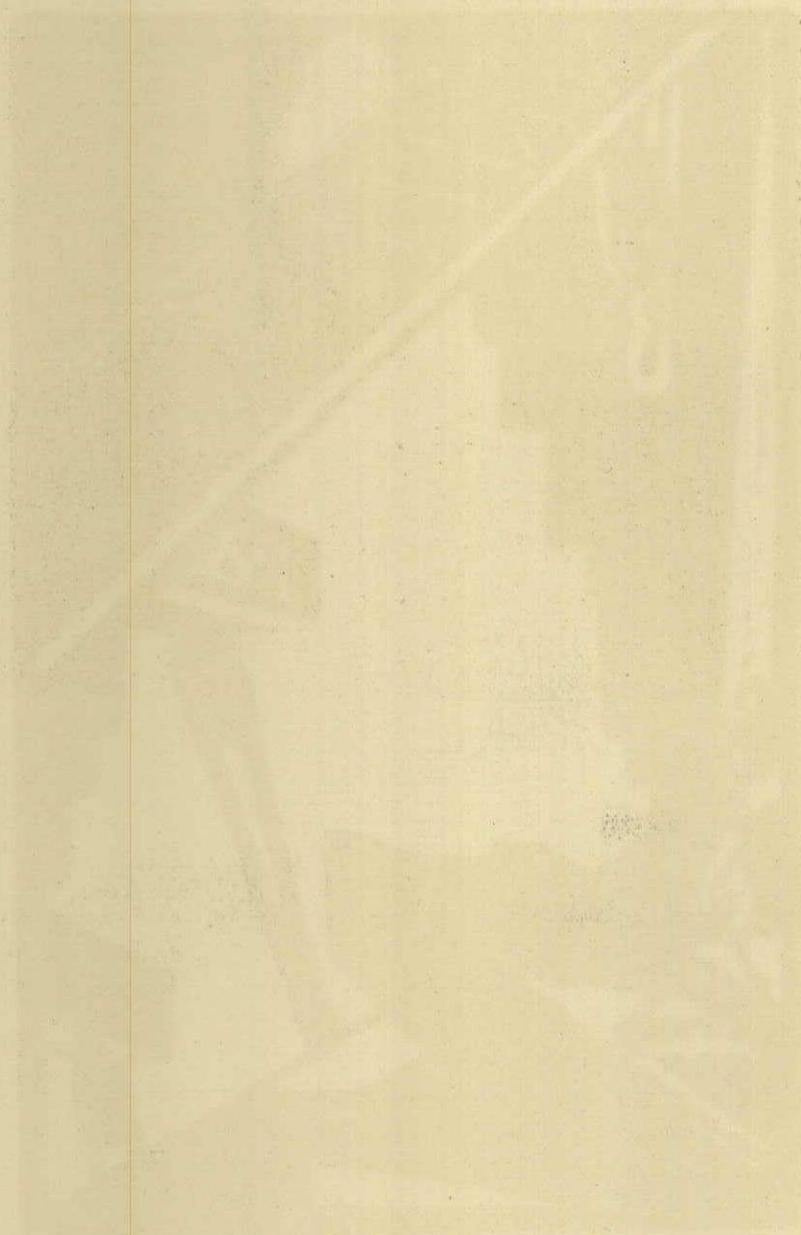
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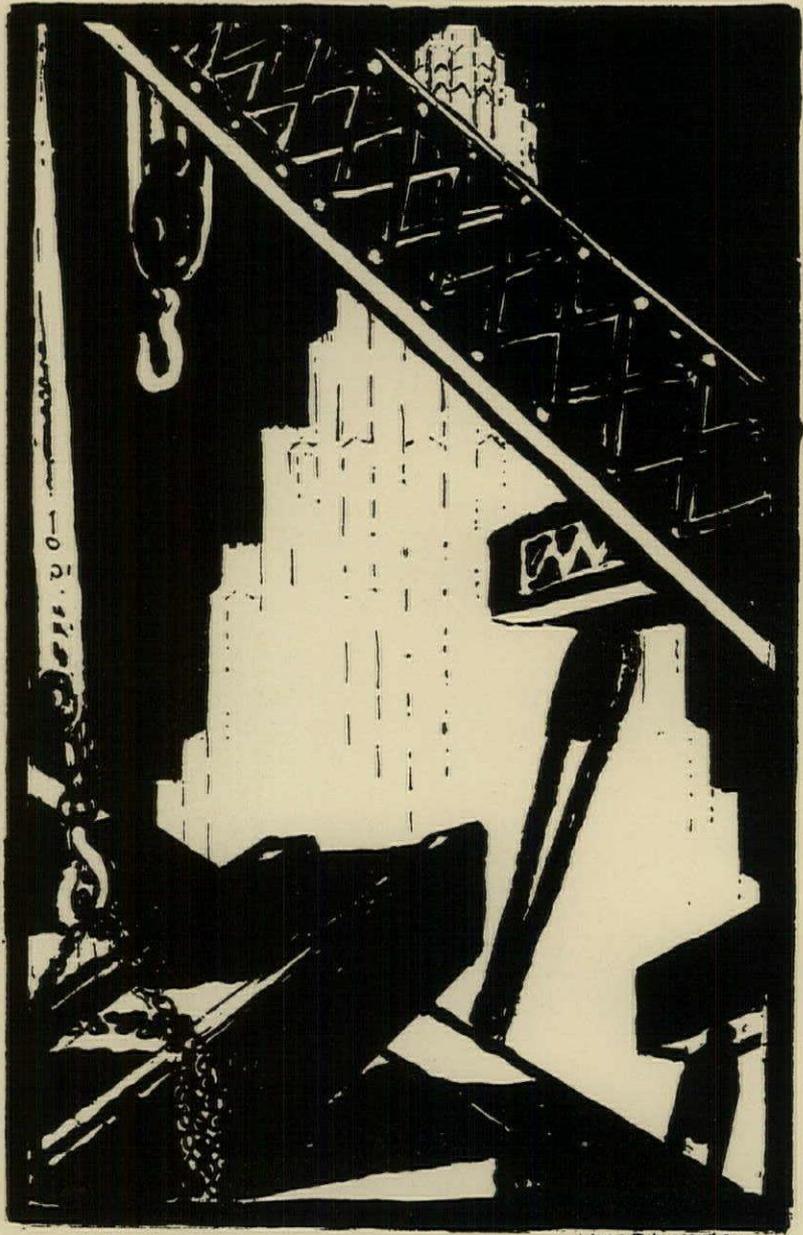
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COLLABORATION IN BRIDGE DESIGNING

I. THE ARCHITECT

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GRANTING that human happiness is greatly enhanced by beautiful and pleasing surroundings, it is highly desirable that utilitarian structures, such as bridges, should be as pleasing to the eye as it is practicable to make them, and that there should be a greater collaboration between the architect and engineer, with a realization on the part of each that science without art is apt to be unattractive, and art without science inefficient."—*Wilbur J. Watson.*

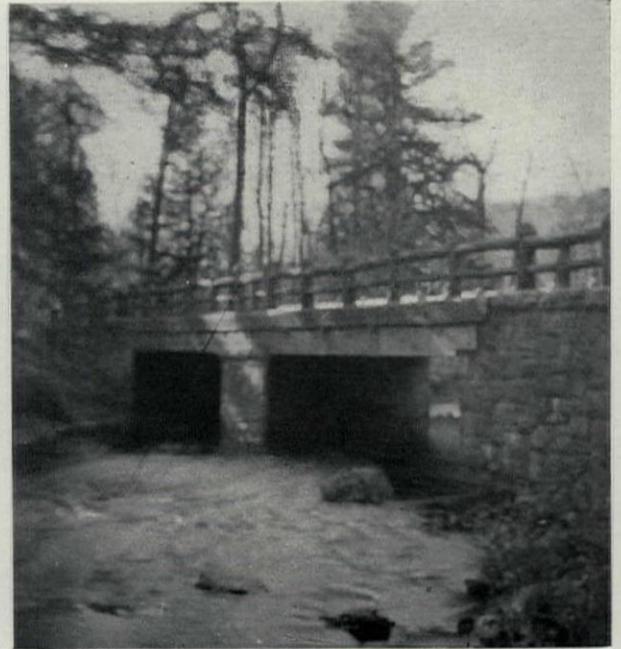
Ten years ago this spring, engineers of the American army were engaged in the construction of bridges across the streams in France to make possible the advance of the allied armies. The engineers were an important link in one of the greatest organizations of men ever assembled, and with a spirit of coordination and cooperation with other services these men made possible the advance of the armies over streams on bridges improvised at short notice. These bridge structures varied from *passerelles*, constructed of rafts kept afloat by gasoline cans, to steel structures of long multiple spans; naturally, appearance counted for naught so long as the structures sufficed for the exigencies of the occasion. We are concerned here with the design of unsightly and purely utilitarian bridges only insofar as to prevent, if possible, their construction on highways, railroads, and elsewhere. Such structures are good enough when built by armies in time of war, but they have no place in our modern civilization where beauty ought to be as much a part of life as food or shelter. But many, unfortunately the majority, of our modern highway and railroad bridges designed by engineers possess little if any more artistic merit than did those war-time structures. The creation of beauty is not primarily the business of engineers, and to obtain beauty we must call upon another profession, that of architecture. Bridges cannot be designed by engineers alone, nor by architects alone. Bridge design may be considered both an art and a science, which of course is true of almost every type of modern building construction. The fact that there have been few, if any, bridges designed by engineers within the past decade which can be said to possess beauty is a sufficient reason for considering the members of the engineering profession unfit to continue in this

important work without the aid of architects. The engineer must be brought to a realization of the fact that the art and science of bridge building constitute a joint problem for architect and engineer.

When asked to prepare an article on bridges, I immediately replied that I thought the preparation of the article should be collaborative, since the architect's contribution is but one phase of bridge design. Modern bridge design must be based upon cooperative effort on the part of architect and engineer, just as during those trying times ten years ago the war had to be conducted by the cooperative effort of infantryman, engineer, artillerist, etc. No one branch of the army service could have won the war alone; neither can the engineer alone produce a bridge structure possessing beauty of line, of mass, of texture, of detail. There is, nevertheless, a tendency today on the part of many an engineer to think that the bridge is solely his problem. We see the results all around us, expressed in hideous bridge structures on highways, railroads, and even in some of our parks. Of course there are exceptions, illustrated by such examples as some of the large river bridges about New York which are the result of collaborative design. The designing of bridges requires creative ability of the first order, from the standpoint of artistic as well as of scientific design. Collaborative effort is required, and both architect and engineer must realize that fact. A tremendous amount of effort on the part of that group of broad-gauged engineers who realize that the architect is necessarily a contributor in part to the design of the bridge, is required before artistic bridges will take the places of the ugly structures which are a disgrace to our civilization. The engineers with whom I have collaborated in the designing of many bridges believe thoroughly in collaborative bridge design. That neither architect nor engineer can alone design a satisfactory bridge structure has been proved to them. And they further believe that the architect must do more than merely attempt to "dress up" an engineering design; he must work on the problem with the engineer from the beginning. It has been shown conclusively by the engineers with whom I have collaborated that artistic bridges can be designed



Footbridge at Garth Lake, Scarsdale, N. Y.
Bronx River Parkway



Garth Woods River Bridge
Chester E. Wheeler, Designer

so as to cost very little, if any, more than the ugly.

In spite of a full knowledge of these facts, our nearby neighbors, the engineers in charge of the great program for the elimination of grade crossings in the Empire State, are unwilling to take heed, and still continue to perpetrate upon our highways structures that are a disgrace to an intelligent public. Their designs are still of the types originally developed when reinforced concrete was first used;

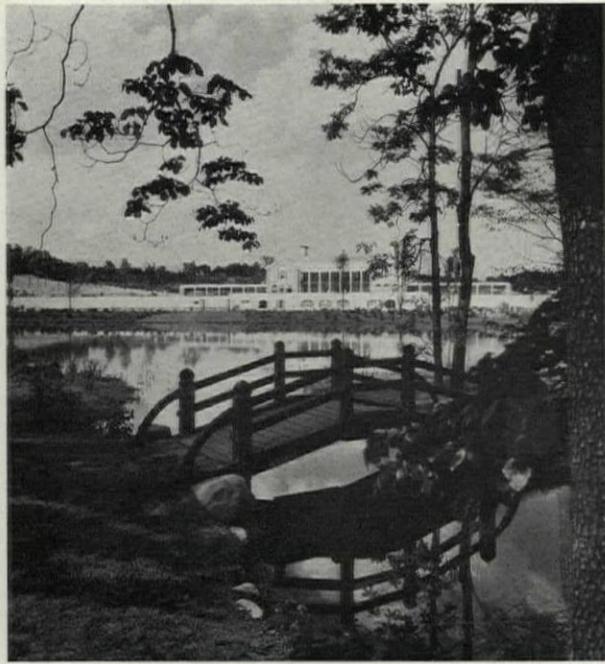
or, if steel, are similar to those designed 50 years or more ago. How long the public will tolerate the construction of these concrete and steel monstrosities it is hard to tell. The bridge has apparently wandered a long way from the architectural fold of which it was once so charming and honored a member, and I hope the architect may be able to call it back.

In New York state there was for a time some hope of getting artistically acceptable bridge struc-



"Bridge 33," Bronx River Parkway, Hartsdale, N. Y.
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A. G. Hayden, Designing Engineer



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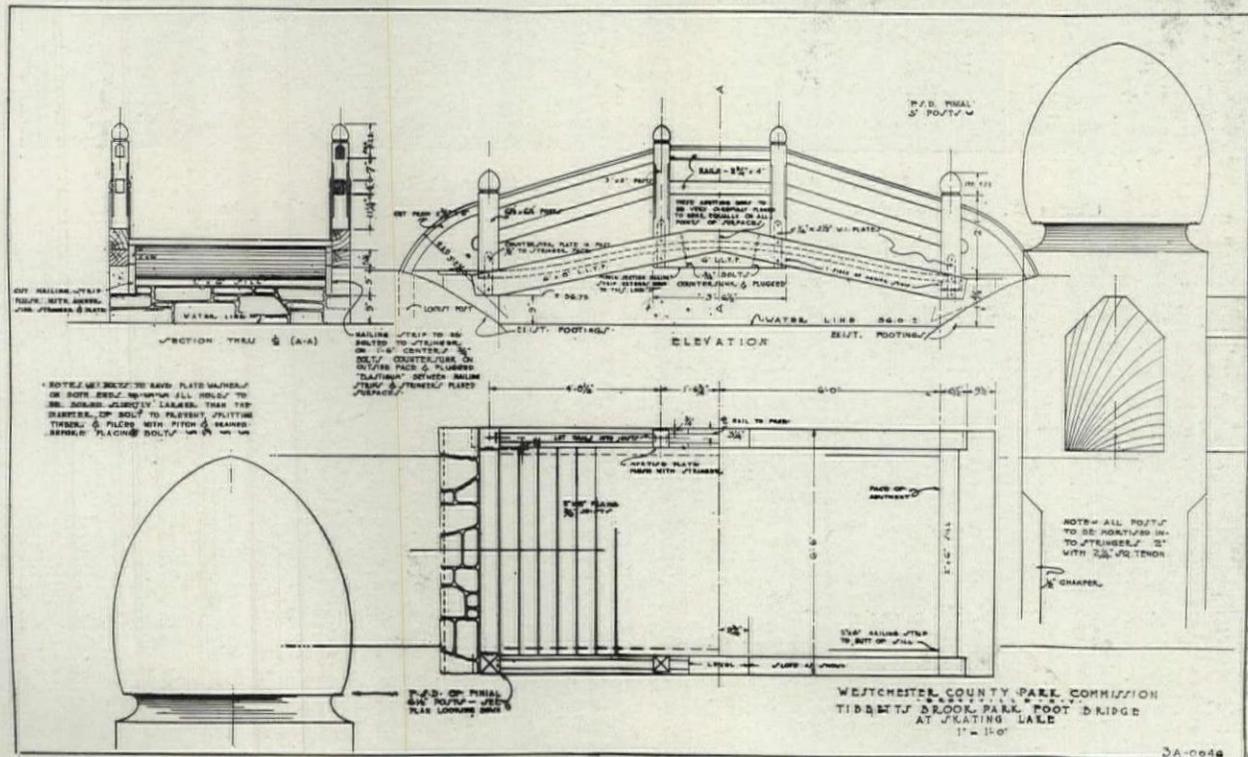
Footbridges, Tibbett's Brook Park, Yonkers, N. Y.

Gilmore D. Clarke, Landscape Architect

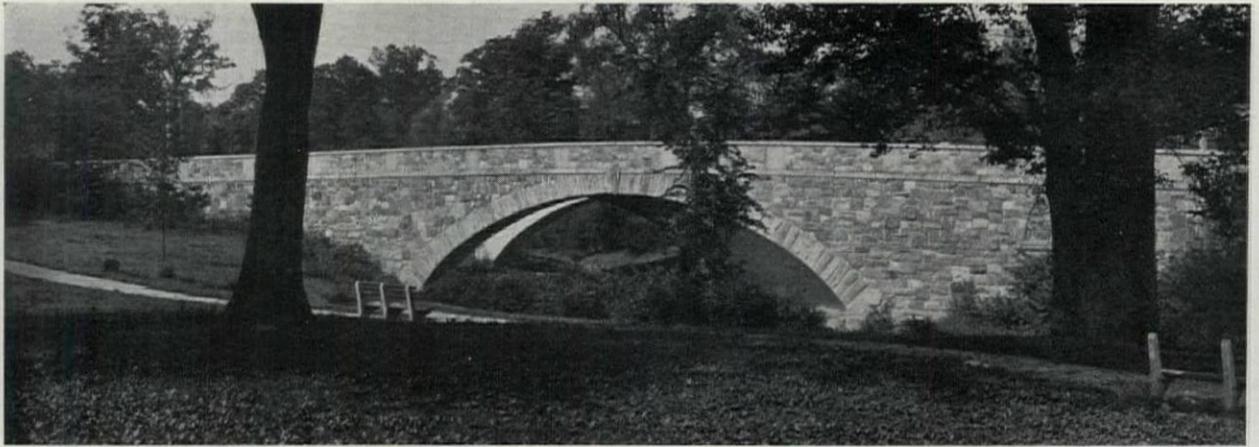
A. R. Jennings, Designer

tures for our highways and railroads by reason of the formation of the state Fine Arts Commission, authorized by law to pass upon all structures for which state funds were spent in whole or in part. This Commission functioned effectively for a time, but was abolished a few months ago, and the state has thereby moved backward a decade or more. At present there is no control whatever to protect the public against the engineer, unwilling to admit his

limitations, and who designs an ugly bridge which is an insult to the taste of the people who pay for it. The public needs to be informed in full concerning the facts; ugliness is not wanted; it will not be long tolerated. It is time for the architects to act, and I for one believe that the engineering profession will take the stand that the architect should be a collaborator in the designing of bridges as well as of tall buildings. The architectural profession should ac-



Working Drawing of Footbridge, Tibbett's Brook Park



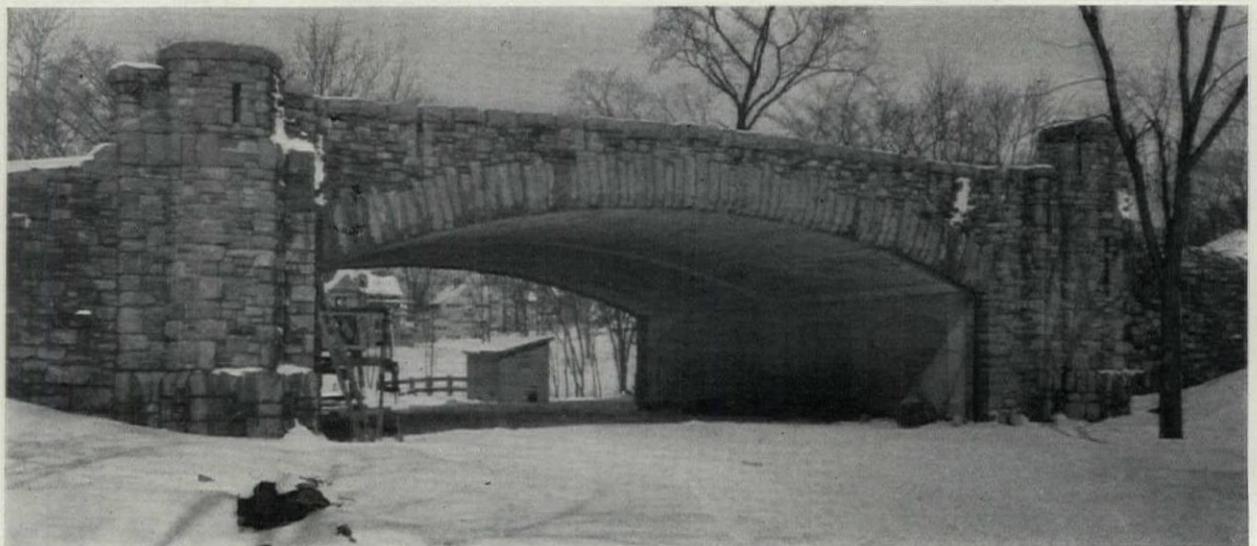
Bridge Over Bronx River, South of Gun Hill Road, New York
Carrere & Hastings, Architects
Guy Vroman, Designing Engineer

cept the challenge and make it a duty incumbent upon it to see that art becomes an inherent part in the design of bridge structures throughout the nation. Noble bridges live longer than any other structures built by man, as many of the old bridges of Europe bear witness,—the *Pont du Gard*, attributed to Agrippa, built in 19 B.C.; the *Ponte Sant' Angelo* in Rome, started by Hadrian; the old *Pont Neuf*, the finest over the Seine in Paris, and many others.

Accompanying this article are illustrations and sketches of several bridge structures built or to be built in parks and along parkways in the County of Westchester, New York, by the Bronx Parkway and Westchester County Park Commissions and designed by architects and engineers in close collaboration. A number of the structures are river crossings; others are at the intersections of parkways with highways, where a separation of grades is imperative for the



Palmer Avenue Crossing of Bronx River Parkway
Charles W. Stoughton, Architect
A. G. Hayden, Designing Engineer



New Rochelle Road Bridge, Hutchinson River Parkway
Gilmore D. Clarke, Architect
A. G. Hayden, Designing Engineer



Bridge Over Bronx River at Tuckahoe, N. Y.

Gilmore D. Clarke, Architect

A. G. Hayden, Designing Engineer

safety of modern transportation by automobile. Parkway systems are being developed, and similar types of bridge structures will be required, and let us hope that those charged with the conducting of the work spare no effort in order to clothe every structure with a charm only possible when aided by the creative ability of the artist.

Modern bridge design necessitates the use of steel and concrete. Neither one of these materials har-

monizes with a naturalistic countryside, more particularly where rock outcrops abound; therefore the bridges of the Westchester County Park System have been faced with native stone, utilizing the latest developments in engineering design for steel or reinforced concrete. In sections of the country where it is impracticable to obtain stone for facing bridges and where the concrete must be exposed, that material can of course be interestingly treated. There



Tuckahoe Road Crossing, Bronx River Parkway

Delano & Aldrich, Architects

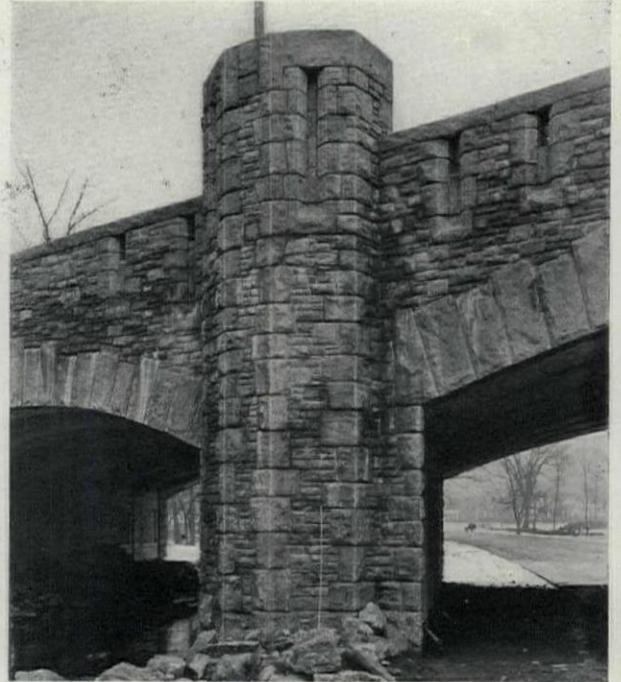
A. G. Hayden, Designing Engineer



Bridge Over Bronx Parkway Reservation, Scarsdale, N. Y.

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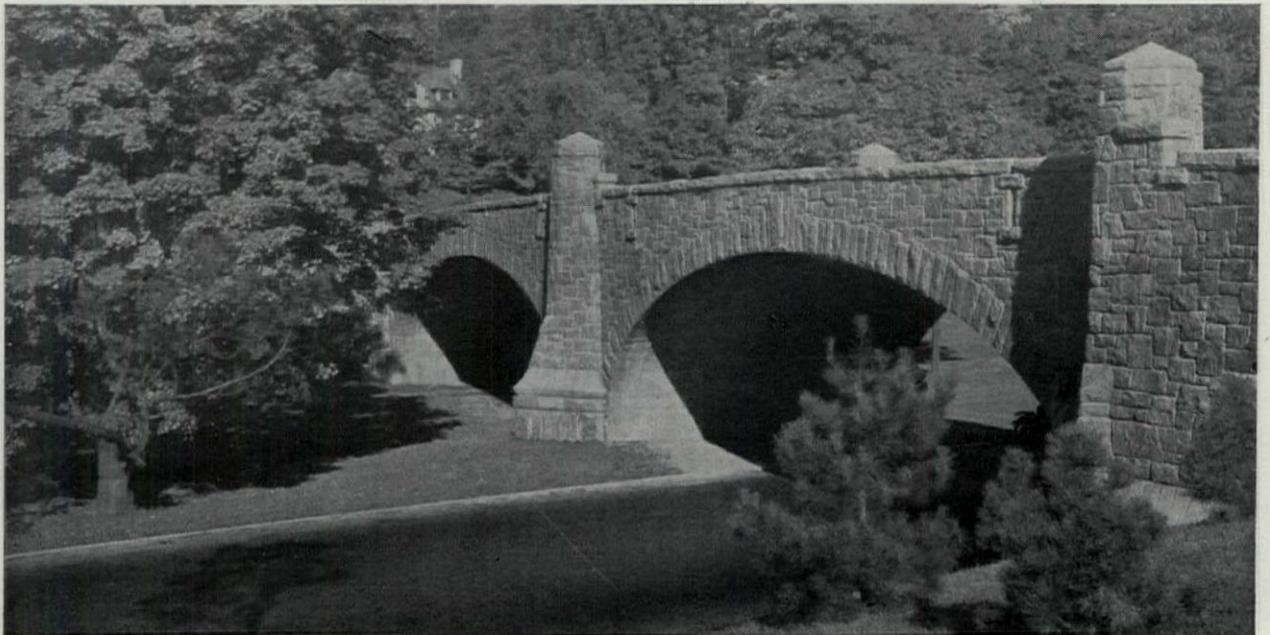


Masonry Details, Bridges of Hutchinson River Parkway
Gilmore D. Clarke, Architect

are many bridges of concrete which possess beauty of mass, of line, and of detail, and which harmonize with their surroundings. Where it is necessary to span railroads, a steel arch is often used in place of the stone-faced reinforced concrete arch, since the railroads are unwilling to bear the burden of the cost of a stone and reinforced concrete structure. A steel arch springing from stone-faced concrete abutments has been proved to be no more costly than the ugly, heavy steel girders on concrete abutments, which railroads are accustomed to build. The New York Central Railroad has cooperated splendidly with the Westchester County Park Commission

where parkway and railroad closely parallel each other and where single structures must be had to eliminate grade crossings of intersecting highways.

We are making rapid progress in eliminating the ugly bridge, but there is still a great deal of work to be done, and the architects' aid must be enlisted to the end that the bridges of America may possess the same charm as those of Europe. Bridges are a measure of our civilization, as they have been for centuries. Do we want our present generation measured by the ugly bridges we see dotted along our highways, or by bridges treated by artist and engineer, aesthetically good and structurally sound?



Bridge Over Bronx River Parkway, Crestwood, N. Y.

Bowdin & Webster, Architects

A. G. Hayden, Designing Engineer

COLLABORATION IN BRIDGE DESIGNING

II. THE ENGINEER

BY

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WHAT has the engineer to do with bridge architecture or, for that matter, with the architecture of any structure? On the one extreme he may become the passive servant of the architect, and possibly lend himself to the perpetuation of unsuitable or uneconomical structural forms; on the other hand, he may become his own architect, with the disastrous results, from an artistic viewpoint, which Mr. Clarke has pointed out in the accompanying article. These extremes are equally undesirable. Between them, however, lies the middle ground of active coöperation between the engineer and the architect, by which the engineer is often able to lead the architect away from use of architectural designs which involve bad engineering, and by which on the other hand the architect must sometimes convince the engineer that a certain form of structure is bad architecturally or unsuited to the surroundings in which it is to be placed. It is gratifying to know that this active coöperation, which has long been customary in Europe, is gradually becoming more common in the United States. The movement in this direction will undoubtedly be accelerated by pressure from the general public, which is gradually acquiring a keen appreciation of properly designed structures that harmonize with their surroundings. This public will not much longer tolerate additions to our past mistakes in the way of ugly structures, such as continue and will continue to disfigure urban vistas and suburban landscapes everywhere throughout our

land until they are worn out or torn down through obsolescence.

This appreciation of better design is, strangely enough, being fostered to a very great extent by strictly commercial interests, such as the manufacturers of our motor vehicles, musical instruments, radios, and other everyday equipment, in which mechanical design has reached a high degree of perfection; and improvement in outward appearance has become one of the principal aids to sales promotion. The problem of adapting structural forms to satisfactory architectural requirements is often difficult and frequently requires the discarding of ideas and methods which have been considered essential since scientific design originated. While the basic theories of structural design, which are founded on natural laws, must necessarily be retained, the requirements of the engineer and those of the architect can, nevertheless, be brought into substantial conformity if there is a sufficient desire to have them do so. It will never be possible to reach common ground if the engineer assumes the attitude that the structural requirements are of paramount importance, nor if, on the other hand, the architect is unalterable in the belief that the architectural requirements are supreme. In any given problem it will almost invariably be found that the requirements of one or both can be modified without greatly compromising the requirements of either.

The architectural and structural forms illustrated

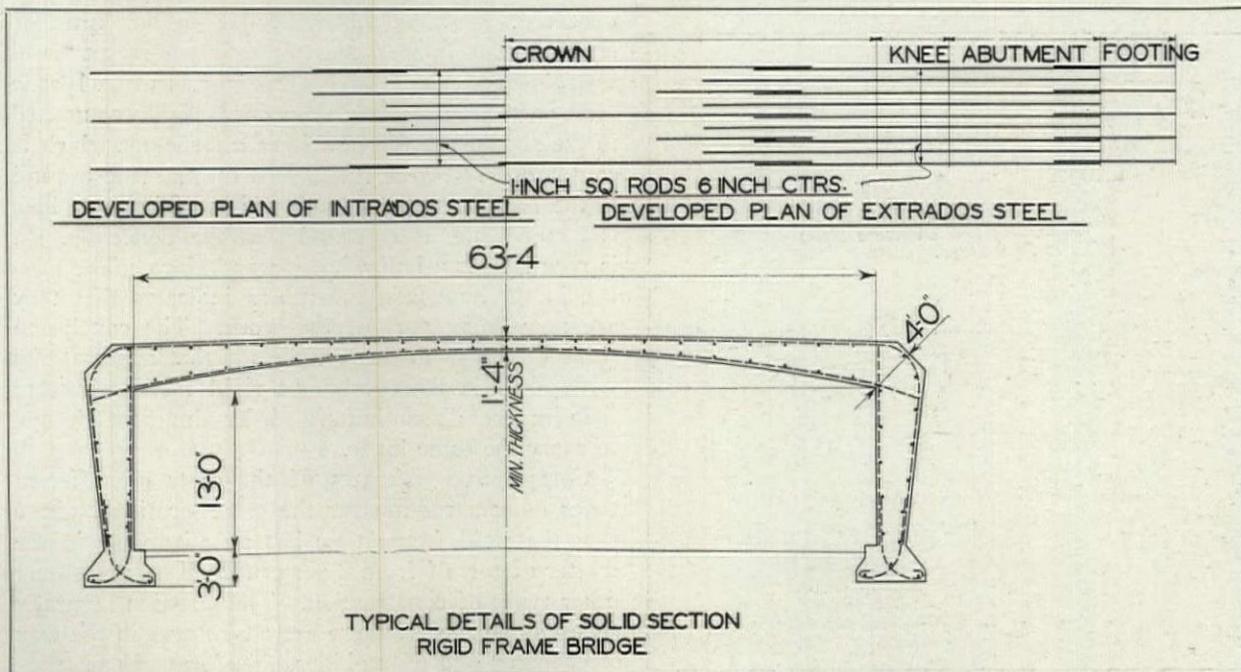
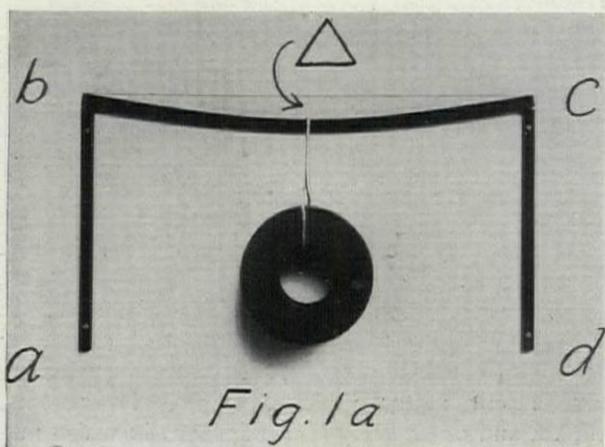
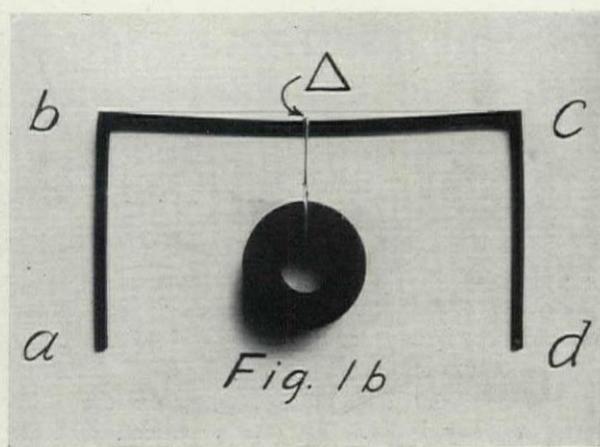


Fig. 1



Model of Girder Abutment Bridge. Girder Simply Rests on Supports



Model of Continuous Rigid Frame Bridge. Girder and Supports Form One Frame

in these pages were, it is true, adapted to the requirements of park and parkway construction, but there is nothing inherent in their design or construction which would preclude their use on highways throughout the country. Fig. 1 shows the design of a rigid frame reinforced concrete structure which was adapted for use in bridge construction by the Westchester County Park Commission's designing engineer, A. G. Hayden. Mr. Hayden describes this design in these words:

"The principle of continuity (rigid frame construction) was deliberately applied in the invention of a new structural form calculated to best meet conditions imposed by restricted headroom at highway crossings and possessing the utmost flexibility for architectural treatment. New methods of design were developed, which permitted great improvement over the few existing examples of simple frame construction. Moreover the new type of structure showed substantial economy over many other types.

Fig. 1 illustrates a statically indeterminate structure, that is, one in which analysis of the stresses is impossible by the principles of statics alone. The determination of the stresses is possible, however, by higher forms of analysis. It is beyond the scope of this article and the ability of the writer to enter into a thorough discussion of stress analysis for indeterminate structures. Those who desire to go more fully into the matter of design are referred to articles by A. G. Hayden, *Engineering News-Record*, January 11, 1923, p. 73; *Engineering News-Record*, April 29, 1926, p. 686; by Professor George E. Beggs of Princeton University in the "Proceedings of the American Concrete Institute, 1923." Figs. 1-a and 1-b will indicate clearly the difference between the statically indeterminate rigid frame and another common type of construction. In Fig. 1-a is shown a model of a girder-abutment bridge of three parts, a girder simply resting on two supports. A load is applied and a certain deflection, Δ , is observed. It should be noted that in this form of structure the supports play a purely passive part and are subject to compressive stress only. In Fig. 1-b the same parts are used, but the girder is rigidly connected to the supports. We now have a structure which is continuous from the foundation on one side around to the foundation on the other side. The same load is applied, and it is found that the deflection, Δ , is now less than half what it was before. The flexure in the supporting members indicates that they are now doing part of the work. The conclusion to be drawn from these models is that less material is required in the continuous rigid frame structure than in the discontinuous girder-abutment design, to carry the same loads.

Comparative estimates of the costs of different types of construction for the same location indicate that the rigid frame type has an advantage in the matter of cost of from 8 per cent to 10 per cent over other types of construction. The question naturally arises as to why, if there are advantages in the way of economy and adaptability, this form of construction has not been seized upon for general use. One

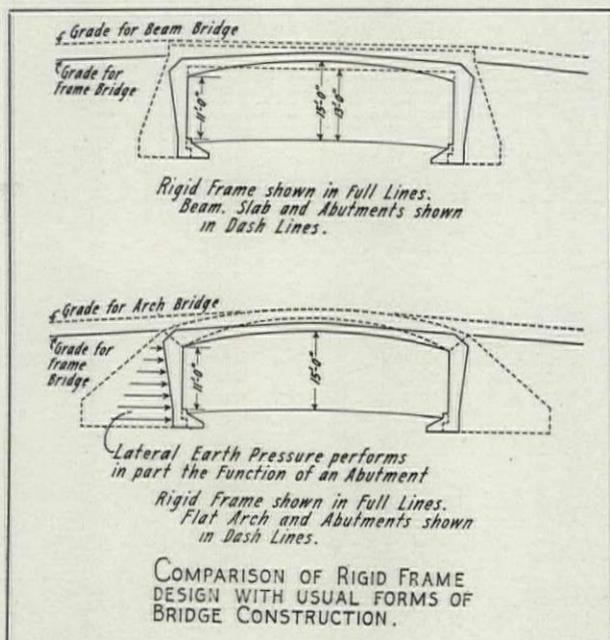


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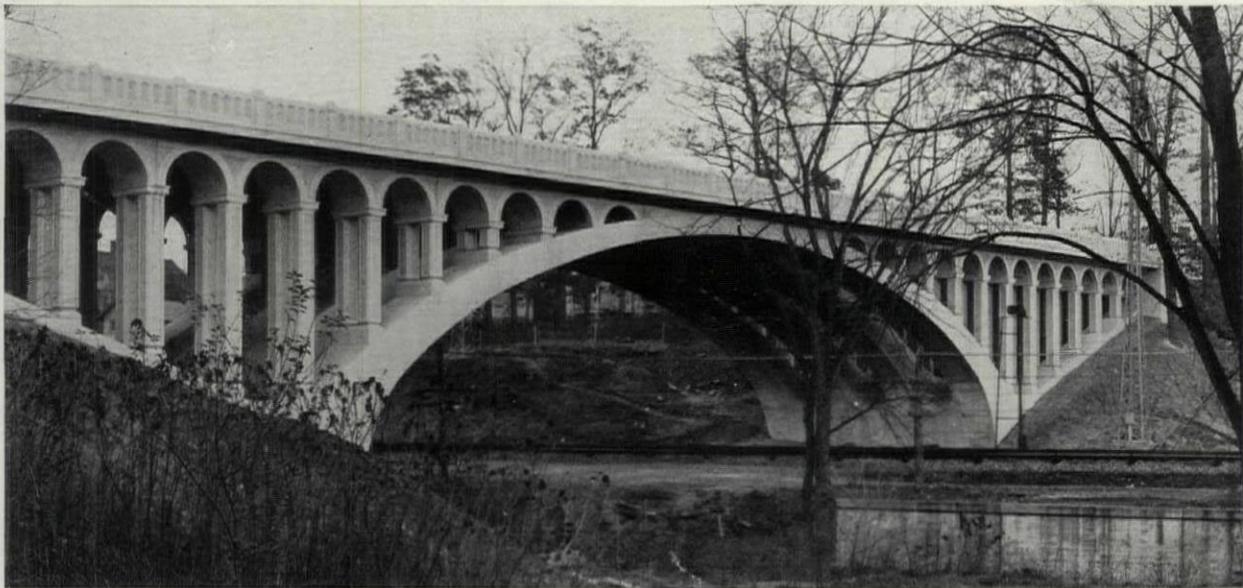


Fig. 3. Reinforced Concrete Bridge, Bronx River Parkway, near White Plains, N. Y.
Palmer & Hornbostel, Architects
Guy Vroman, Designing Engineer

reason is that inertia must always be overcome before an innovation of any sort is generally adopted, and the second is that while most engineers in general practice are able to handle beam-abutment designs, reinforced concrete girder-slab-abutment designs, or even reinforced concrete arch designs, they are alarmed at the apparent complexity of the mathematics which must be employed in the designing of many statically indeterminate structures. It has been found in the work of the Bronx Parkway Commission and the Westchester County Park Commis-

sion, however, that as the designing of structures proceeds, new and shorter methods are continually being developed. These are being published in the technical journals, and as they become more and more widely known, they will, no doubt, be more generally adopted for use in highway bridge construction and for grade crossing elimination work.

In Fig. 2 the advantages of the rigid frame design in the way of economy of material, increase in headroom due to decrease in depth of material, and resulting decrease in grades for the same length of

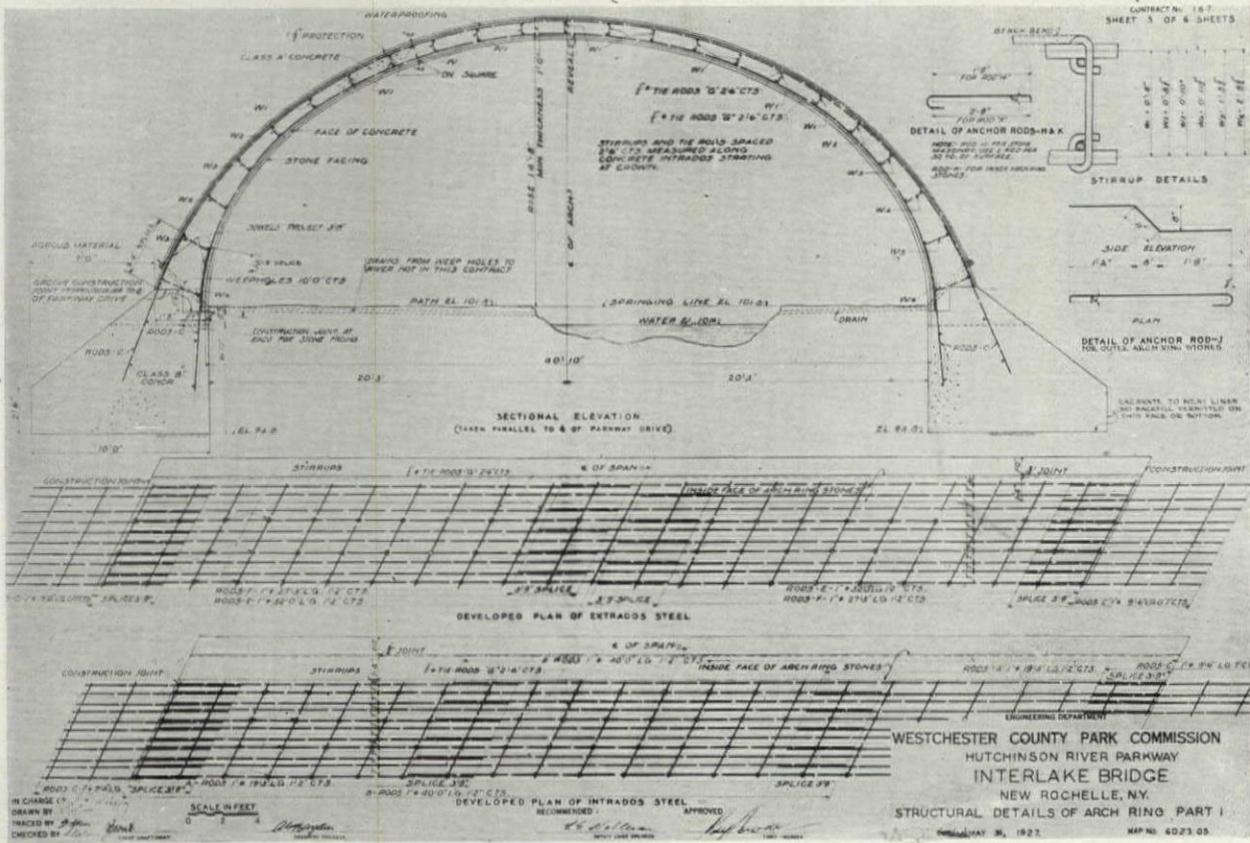


Fig. 4. Economical Type of Reinforced Concrete Arch

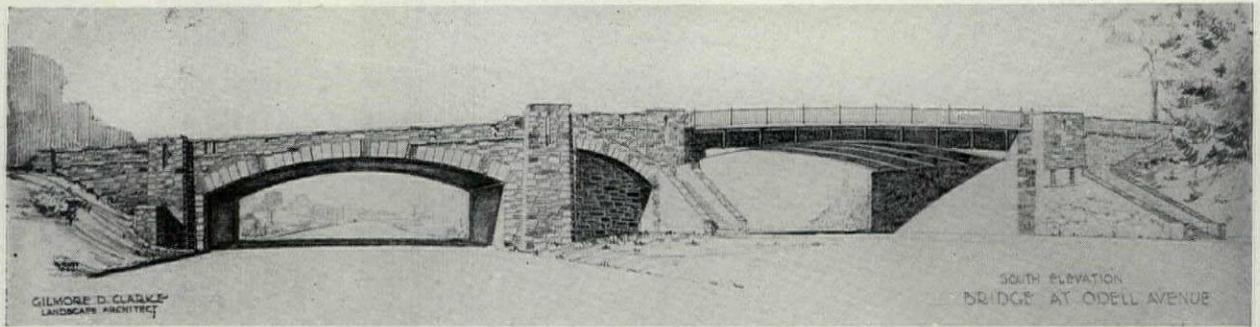


Fig. 5

Architectural Design for Odell Avenue Bridge, Saw Mill River Parkway
Stone Faced Rigid Frame Span at Left. Steel Rigid Frame at Right

Gilmore D. Clarke, Architect

A. G. Hayden, Designing Engineer

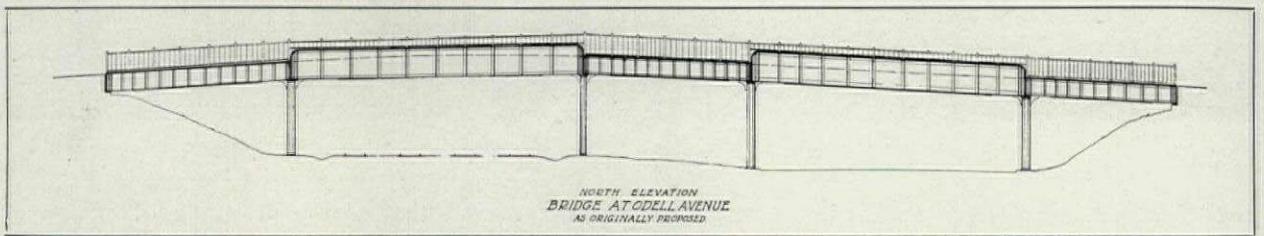


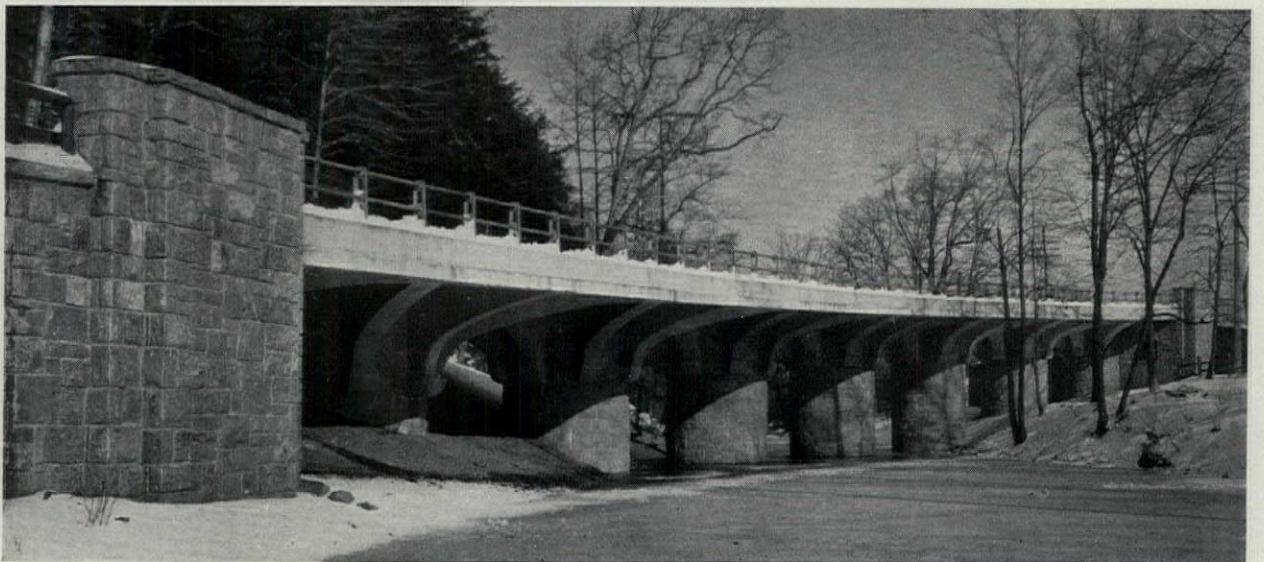
Fig. 6

Steel Girder Design Originally Proposed for Odell Avenue Bridge

approach, are strikingly shown. This rigid frame design was used as the structural parts of several of the bridges shown in this and the accompanying article by Mr. Clarke, and in a number of other bridges not illustrated. Nor should the reinforced concrete structure without stone facing be entirely discarded. There are locations where a properly designed concrete bridge will be found not inharmonious. Fig. 3 shows such a bridge, which was erected in the Bronx River Parkway over the Bronx River and tracks of the New York Central Railroad near White Plains, N. Y. Fig. 4 shows a very economical reinforced concrete design which lends itself to certain forms of arch construction. Steel may also be adapted to

certain locations and conditions, as is evidenced by the bridge shown in Fig. 5, which was designed to take the place of a broken-backed girder bridge originally proposed and shown in outline in Fig. 6.

The coöperative spirit under which the Bronx Parkway Commission and Westchester County Park Commission bridges have been designed, and the new structural forms which have been developed by Commission engineers for adaptation to the architectural requirements, have caused widespread discussion, particularly among engineers. Representatives from several state highway departments and railroad companies have visited the Commission's offices to study the methods used so successfully.



Reinforced Concrete Bridge of Unique Design, Bronx River Parkway

Delano & Aldrich, Architects

A. G. Hayden, Designing Engineer

PLUMBING FOR THE TOWER TYPE OF BUILDING

BY
HAROLD L. ALT

MODERN development in building construction tends toward the planning and erecting of higher structures. Congestion of population, rising real estate values, and the desire for light all combine to make increased heights desirable, and since the plans of a building over 100 stories high were approved by the New York Bureau of Buildings, no doubt of the possibility of making structures of lesser heights entirely stable should exist.

Granting that, with modern steel construction scientifically designed, buildings of from 40 to 80 stories are entirely feasible, the next problem has to do with the proper servicing of such an enormous amount of floor area so high above the street. Elevators to properly serve the upper floors require so much additional space as to seem almost prohibitive; heating lines grow to abnormal sizes, with the expansion increased in proportion to the height; the chimney occupies a gross floor area, owing to the large number of stories through which it must pass, as to seem unreasonable. But the greatest difficulty seems to concern the plumbing. It must be remembered that the plumbing system handles water, and as water is a commodity of considerable weight, difficulties arise in the plumbing which require special treatment. Roof drains, soil stacks and hot and cold water lines are some of the items which cannot be handled in the same manner as in lower structures. Pipes multiply and require space allotment which would be considered out of proportion in lower buildings.

Plumbing Work. It is the purpose of this article to point out some of the difficulties encountered with plumbing in the high or "tower" type of building, and to make constructive suggestions in connection with various schemes that have already been worked out for the purpose of overcoming these difficulties. For the purpose of this article the "plumbing," as far as covered, will be considered as consisting of soil, waste and vent stacks, hot and cold water pipes, and roof leaders. Special services, such as compressed air, gas, vacuum cleaning, drinking water, refrigeration, fire lines and so on, cannot be covered in an article of limited length, so these must be left for future consideration. In general, a building in which proper provision has been made for the incorporating of the major services, can have the special services included with only unimportant changes.

The Soil System. In providing for water closets in high buildings great care must be taken in arranging the soil piping; this is due, primarily, to the unusual height and to the excessive number of fixtures on a stack. In cities where combined soil and waste stacks are permitted, the load on the stack is increased by whatever number of waste branches drain from each floor. In order to assure the most

dependable type of service, soil stacks are run so as to take care of alternate floors. Thus one stack would take the drainage from all the odd numbered floors in the manner illustrated in Fig. 1. In the event of one of these stacks becoming clogged up or having a stoppage occur in the horizontal basement section, only the toilets on alternate floors would be put out of commission, so that occupants by going either up or down one flight of stairs would find facilities in spite of the one stack's being unusable. At the base each stack would be run into a separate house sewer, which would be carried to and connected with different sewers in streets on either side of the building, so that even the temporary blocking of the street sewer or connection between the building and the street would still leave toilets on alternate stories in service.

Soil stacks for the lower portion of the building should be taken care of separately from those serving the higher portions, and the arrangement should be made so that stacks serving the upper portions have no connections of any nature with those in the lower stories, this again operating toward a reduction in stack size and also giving an opportunity for the building of an enormous head behind any stoppage which may occur near the bottom of the stack or in the horizontal run to the street. Setbacks, which usually accompany the tower type of construction, materially aid this arrangement by permitting soil stacks serving the lower portions of the building to be brought out of the lower setback roof and there terminated. Stacks serving the next higher section run through the lower section without openings and serve the portion of the building between the first setback and the next higher; this scheme is followed out until the stacks going to the top of the tower portion are encountered, which stacks serve alternate floors in the tower with no outlets below. This is diagrammatically shown in Fig. 2. It has been found that in tall structures it is not desirable to run soil stacks in a perfectly straight, vertical line, because the water flowing down the stack attains too high a velocity, giving rise to noise. For this reason soil stacks are deliberately offset at points about 10 stories or 15 stories apart, and the flow is thus retarded. Provision for such offsets or changes in direction should be made in the original building design, since otherwise considerable difficulty may be experienced in trying to incorporate them later.

Waste Stacks. Waste stacks must be provided where lavatories are to be installed in offices, and these in most cases will follow the structural columns. Considerable floor space may be saved if the installation of these waste stacks is anticipated in laying out the steel frame. It may sound unreasonable to suggest the arrangement of steel framing

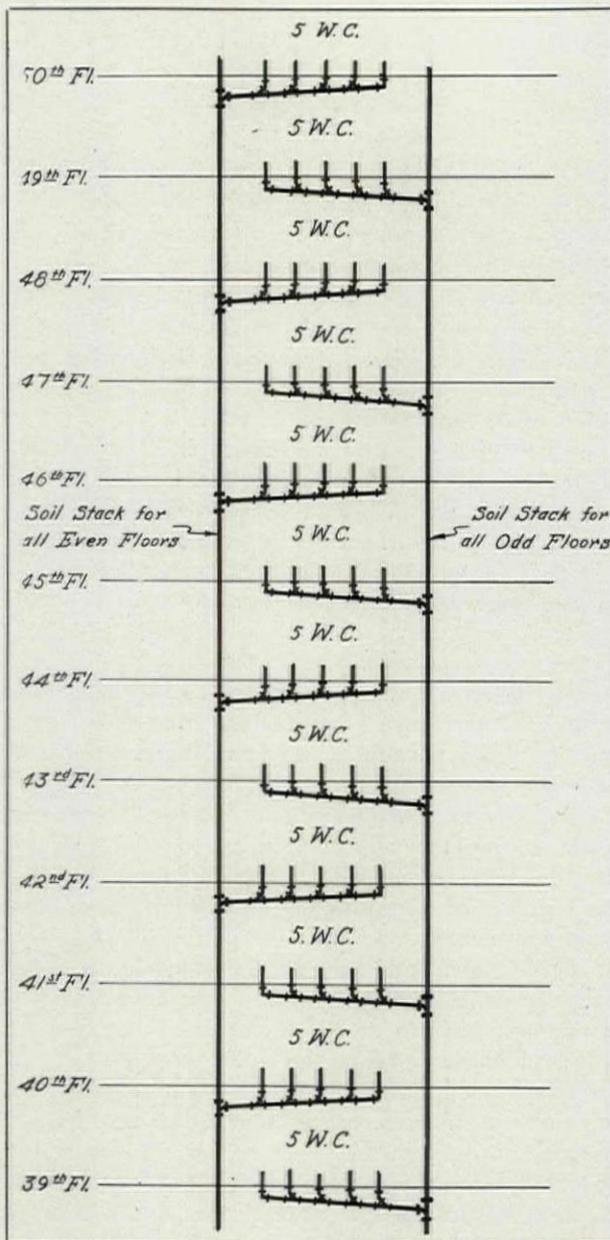


Fig. 1

to suit the plumber's waste pipes, but such has already been done and the space saving is considerable. It is not necessary to make any changes in the structural steel beyond working out a special column connection for beams, so that a small opening is provided on each side of the column in the manner illustrated in Fig. 3. This is commonly termed a "bracket" connection as distinguished from the ordinary "angle" connection shown in Fig. 4. This scheme lends itself very readily to the putting of the waste stack and cold water riser on one side of the column and the vent stack and hot water riser on the other side, as illustrated in Fig. 5. If the ordinary steel framing should be used, about the best that could be done would be as indicated in Fig. 6. The remarks just made about soil stacks apply in less forceful form to the waste stacks; they should not be made over 3 inches in size if possible, and they

should serve only certain horizontal sections of the building; they should be offset or shifted from time to time to break the water fall.

Vent Stacks. Venting and vent stacks should receive careful attention. Plumbing codes vary so greatly in their venting regulations that it is hard to give any recommendations except to say that in high buildings vent stacks should be installed whether the local code requires their use or not. Where larger sizes are not demanded by ordinance, the vent stack may be safely made somewhat smaller,—a 6-inch soil stack with a 4-inch vent stack or a 4-inch soil stack with a 3-inch vent stack. For waste stacks the same applies, only running to smaller sizes, such as a 4-inch waste stack and 3-inch vent stack, a 3-inch waste stack and a 2½-inch vent stack, or a 2½-inch waste stack and a 2-inch vent stack. There is nothing to be gained in offsetting vent stacks, as there is no water flowing through them. Vent stacks should be parallel the respective soil or waste stacks which they serve, and as soon as the bottom connection on each particular stack is reached, the vent stack should be run back into the stack through a 45° ell and a Y fitting. There is no object in venting soil or waste below the bottom fixture connection, since any air caught below this point cannot blow out in fixtures below (owing to there being no lower connections to the stack), and any retarding effect on the falling water in the stack is really of beneficial character.

Materials of Construction. In all high building work, galvanized steel or galvanized wrought iron pipe can be used for waste, soil and vent stacks, this being made up with galvanized, cast iron, screwed recessed, drainage fittings, with all pipe most carefully reamed out. Where lines run underground, extra-heavy, uncoated, cast iron soil pipe and fittings with calked lead and oakum joints should be used. Expansion joints are sometimes used in the vertical risers every 20 stories or less, but difficulty will probably be experienced with the local authorities if any type of slip joint is advocated. A corrugated copper joint with flanged ends and companion flanges can generally be used. There is also a cast iron slip joint which has been approved in some of the large cities.

Water System. Furnishing water supply for the building will have an important bearing on the building design, and this is one point on which it is well to be forewarned. It is most essential to keep the water pressures down to a point where excessive splashing and undue wear and tear on the equipment will be avoided. For this reason the building should be divided into horizontal sections or zones of 10 to 15 stories each, and each of the separate zones should have its own individual house tank and hot water heater. The house tanks and hot water heaters for the same zone will not come in the same tank room. In order to obtain satisfactory water pressure on the highest floor of each zone, the tank room for that particular zone should be located in the zone above

and two stories higher. This will result in a pressure head on the fixtures in the top story of the zone equal to that of two stories plus the height of the water line in the tank (which usually is about 25 or 30 feet). The hot water heater for the same zone must be located at the bottom of the zone in order to circulate the zone by gravity.

Hot Water Systems. For convenience the hot water heater is usually placed in the tank room of the zone below, and the hot water is fed down one story without circulation, but it circulates to the stories in the portion of the zone above the hot water heater level as usual. This will probably be made a little more clear by referring to Fig. 7, where a typical zone is illustrated with the levels on which the house tank and hot water heater for that zone would be installed. Of course the hot water heaters may be dropped down to the story below the lowest in the zone, which will give hot water circulation to all stories included in the zone without dead ending. This will entail extra heater rooms at certain levels which will not be the same levels as those on which the house tanks are set, so that this arrangement, which is shown in Fig. 8, is usually not as economical in floor space as the scheme shown in Fig. 7.

Materials for Water Systems. It is the growing practice to use brass pipe and fittings for both hot and cold water lines in the best class of construction work, and especially when lines cannot be replaced readily. Steel and genuine wrought iron pipe, galvanized, are often installed in the larger sizes, owing to the greater thickness of shell and the rapidly increasing cost of brass as the diameter enlarges. All joints should be screw joints on the smaller sizes and flanged joints on the sizes of 6 inches or over. They should be made up with only red or white lead used as a lubricant on the male thread only, and they should be tested to a pressure 50 per cent in excess of the maximum working pressure. House tanks are invariably steel, usually square or rectangular, and braced with substantial angles; they are built with angle iron curbs, and have $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch steel covers, made up in sections and suitably stiffened. The house tank construction is similar to that in the building of ordinary height. The same may also be said concerning the hot water heaters; owing to the zoning of the building, the pressure on the heaters is no more than that ordinarily encountered in lower buildings, and the same heaters of proper capacity will give satisfaction in structures of the tower design.

Hung Ceilings and Pipe Spaces. It is highly desirable to zone the building for water supply purposes at the earliest possible moment, so as to provide hung ceilings with pipe spaces above for horizontal distribution mains. When such spaces are provided it not only means increased floor heights for those particular stories but also provides the heating system with horizontal distribution space for supply mains and drip lines. With a proper amount of forethought, ceiling spaces and tank rooms may

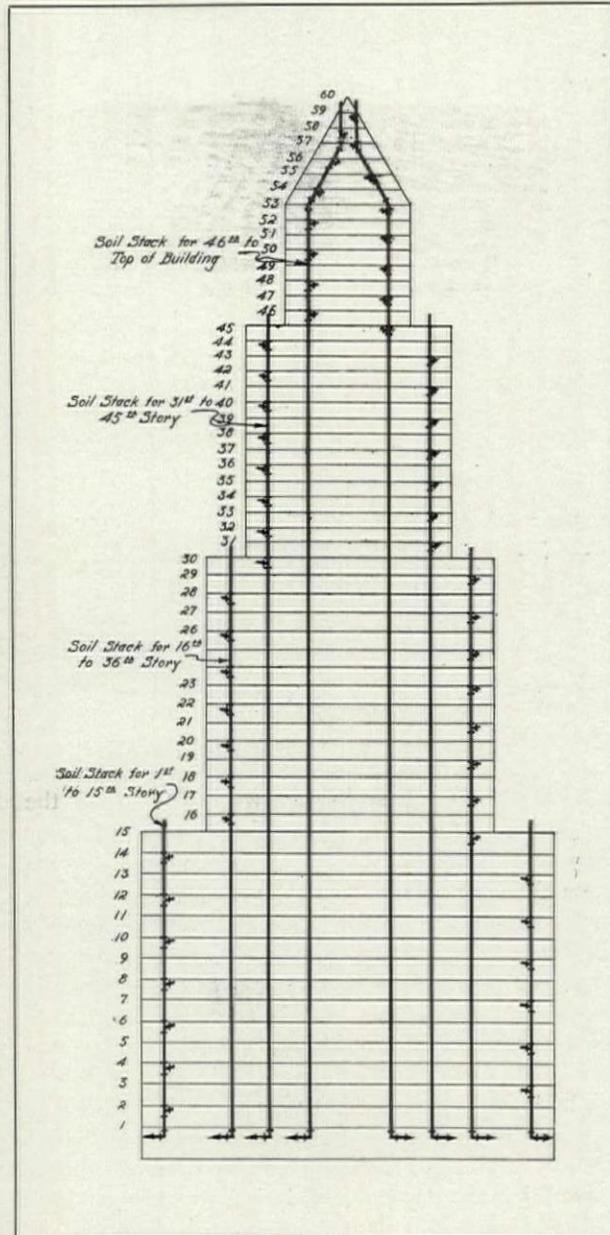


Fig. 2

be arranged so as to dovetail with the hot water and heating arrangement. Through lack of appreciation of certain possibilities in the original designs, most builders fail to take the full advantage possible from the hung ceiling owing to the fact that it is usually attempted to fit in the equipment installation with previously located hung ceilings instead of the hung ceilings being arranged to suit the requirements of the installation.

In Fig. 9 is illustrated an arrangement of hung ceilings so located as to accommodate:

- (a) Cold water supply horizontal distribution for each zone.
- (b) Hot water supply horizontal distribution for each zone.
- (c) Hot water return mains for each zone.
- (d) Heating supply and return distribution for each zone.

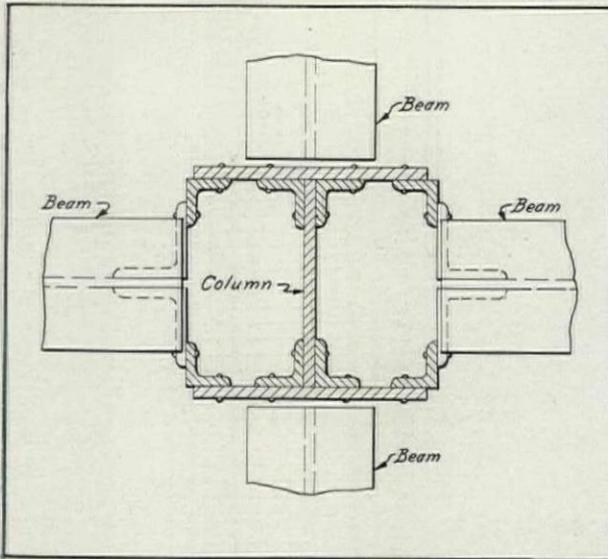


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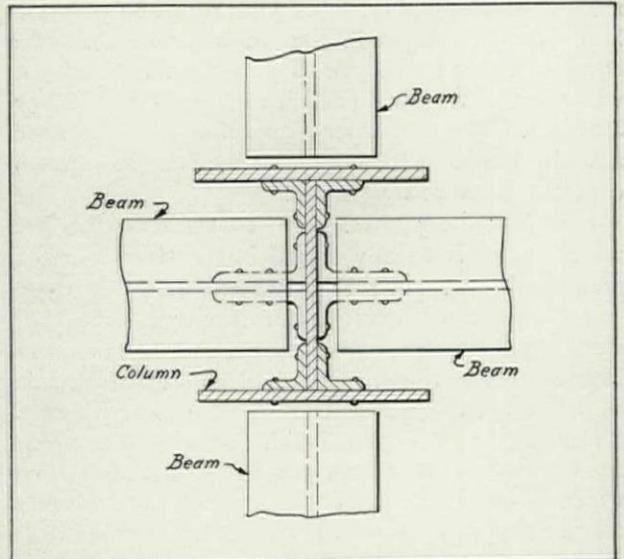


Fig. 4

This is accomplished by placing the hung ceiling over the story just below the tank room and placing the tank room two stories above the particular zone which the tank may serve.

Pumping to House Tanks. In the matter of filling these tanks with water for the various zones and the keeping of them filled when each has a different amount of water taken from it each hour in the day, some real difficulties have presented themselves. It is not economical to pump all the water required in the building up to the highest house tank and then let it run down through consecutive tanks with ball cocks until the lowest tank is reached, because this means pumping all of the water to the highest portion of the building when some of it is only required in the lower portions, involving a considerable waste in electric power. Moreover, an extremely high-pressure pump is required to operate against gravity heads of 500 to 1,000 feet, to which must be added

the pipe friction. This has led to the adoption of the scheme of locating a pump in each and every tank room. Each pump then uses the tanks in that room as suction tanks and lifts the water from the zone in which the pump is located into the tank of the next zone above; here another pump takes the water from the tank and raises it into the next higher zone. It is self-evident that with such an arrangement the water used in each zone is pumped no higher than the tank supplying that particular zone.

Pump Capacities and Control. The capacities of these pumps are carefully graded so that the higher pumps can never dry the lower house tanks, as this would interfere with the water supply for the lower zones. To forestall any such possibility, the capacity of the pumps is steadily reduced from the lowest pump to the highest. Thus, if the basement pump has a capacity of 100 g. p. m., then the pump in the

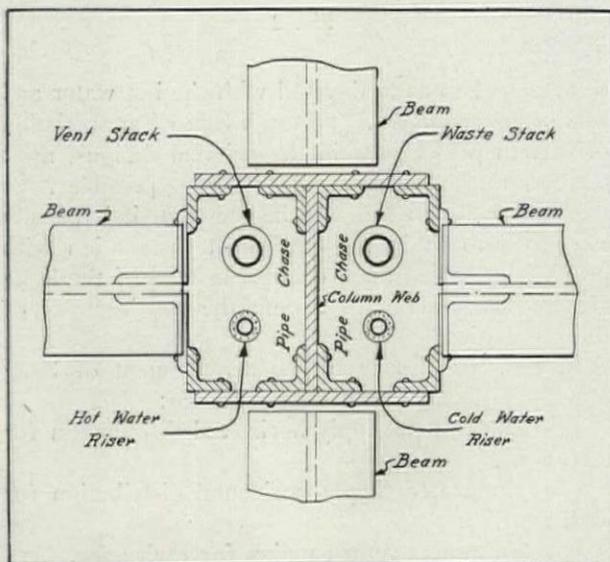


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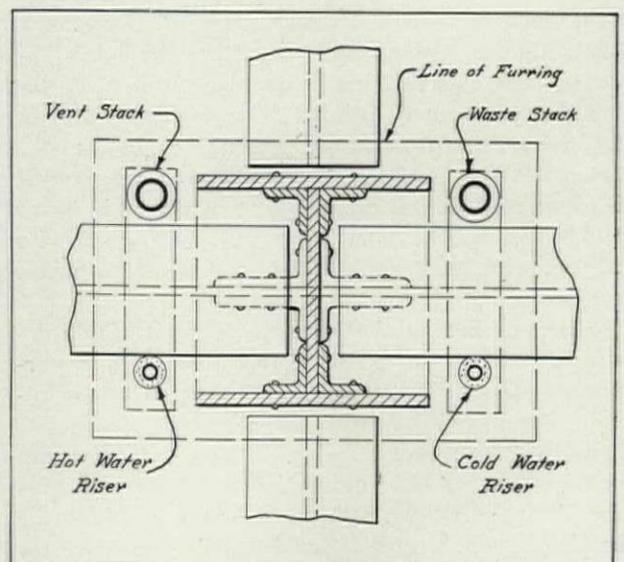


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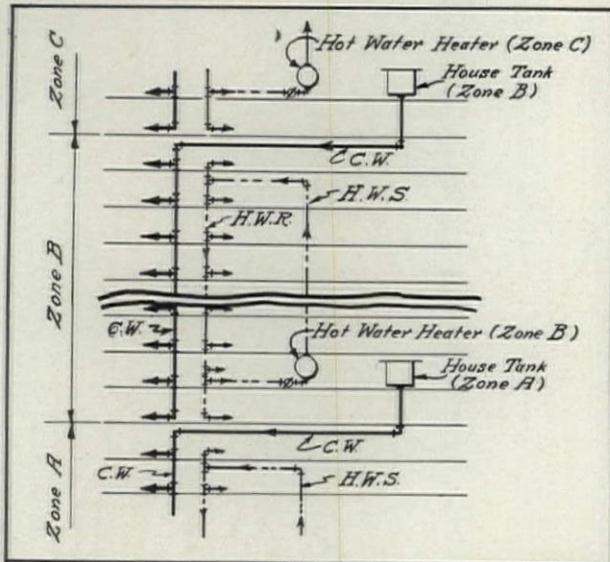


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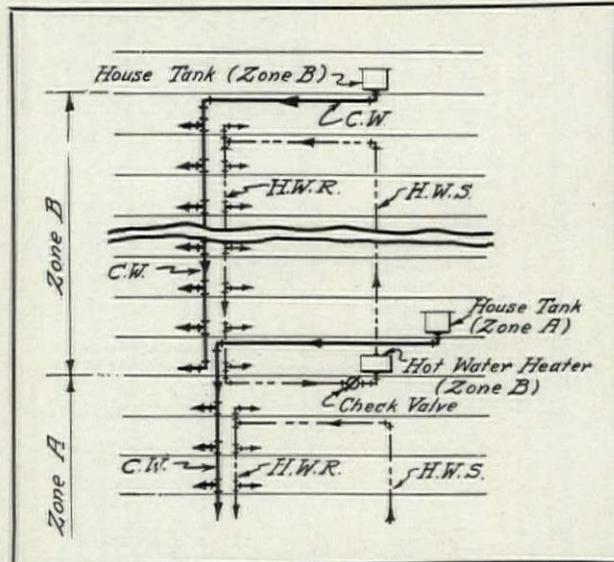


Fig. 8

next higher zone should have a capacity not to exceed 80 g. p. m.; the next higher pump not over 60 g. p. m.; then 40 g. p. m., and so on. Usually the decreasing floor area in the upper sections will quite justify the cutting down of the house pump capacities in the upper zones. Pumps should be installed in duplicate sets with one for reserve and should have float controls from the tanks into which they discharge. The heads on the pumps will be governed by the vertical height and pipe friction as in any pumping installation. Pumps are generally of the centrifugal type, directly connected to motors and set on a common bedplate. Throw-over switches should be provided in the control wiring from the house tanks, so that either pump can be thrown into service as desired.

Roof leaders, owing to the numerous setbacks, occur at frequent intervals in the tower type of building. Here again, hung ceilings should be provided directly under the roofs of the setbacks, not only for leader boxes located in the roof immediately above, but to provide space in which leaders from the roofs above may be offset. The same space will also serve for the heating risers, and so it is doubly useful. In cases where it is intended to carry leaders down the outside, the roofs should be arranged to pitch toward the outer parapet, so as to bring the leader boxes as nearly vertical over the leaders as possible. It frequently happens that space is not available at the window pilasters to accommodate large leader lines as well as the heating risers; the alternative in such cases is to slope the roofs toward the middle of the building and to carry the leaders down in pipe shafts. It is not always advisable to join leaders from upper levels with those of lower roofs until the lower leaders have dropped down a couple of stories so as to have a head of water in the lower leader. There is an old saying that if the roof water can once get into the leader it will go. But if leaders are small, or if they are temporarily

overloaded by a miniature cloudburst, it is very easy for the flow from the higher roofs to retard the incoming water from the lower roofs if connections are made too near the level of the roof outlets from the lower levels.

There is generally allowed 1 square inch of leader area to every 200 square feet of roof or other drainage area. This is the ratio customarily used in New York. In localities where very heavy rains are experienced, as in Pittsburgh, it is safer to use only 150 square feet or even 100 square feet of roof to 1 square inch of leader area to take care of short but exceedingly heavy rainfalls.

In designing high buildings it is sometimes forgotten that the water caught in setbacks may be increased by rains which do not fall in a truly vertical direction. The maximum amount of water which could be caught on the roof of any setback is governed by the area of the setback roof plus the area of the side of the building from the setback up to the next higher roof when projected at an angle of about 60° from the vertical. Reference to any high building elevation will show that if the rain is assumed to be falling at an inclination of 60° from the horizontal, or 30° from the true vertical direction, the setbacks on one side of the building will not only have to provide for carrying off their own normal rain water but will also receive a certain additional quantity which will strike the side of the building above the setback. This is indicated in Fig. 10, and it will be seen that the area which should be figured for any setback roof with a vertical wall at the back is the projected area of the roof and wall taken at 60° from the horizontal. In horizontal leader lines the sizes may be based on the "flow of sewers," which is given in almost any handbook, or it may be governed by the local plumbing code. In cases of combined roof leader and soil drainage systems it is customary to jump the size of the horizontal leader line one pipe size over that actually required

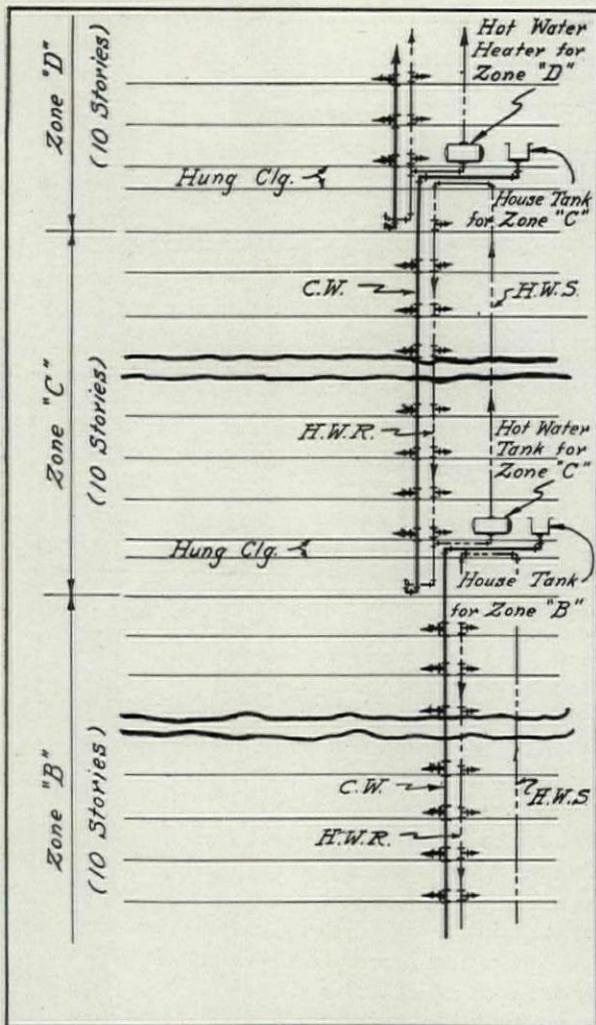


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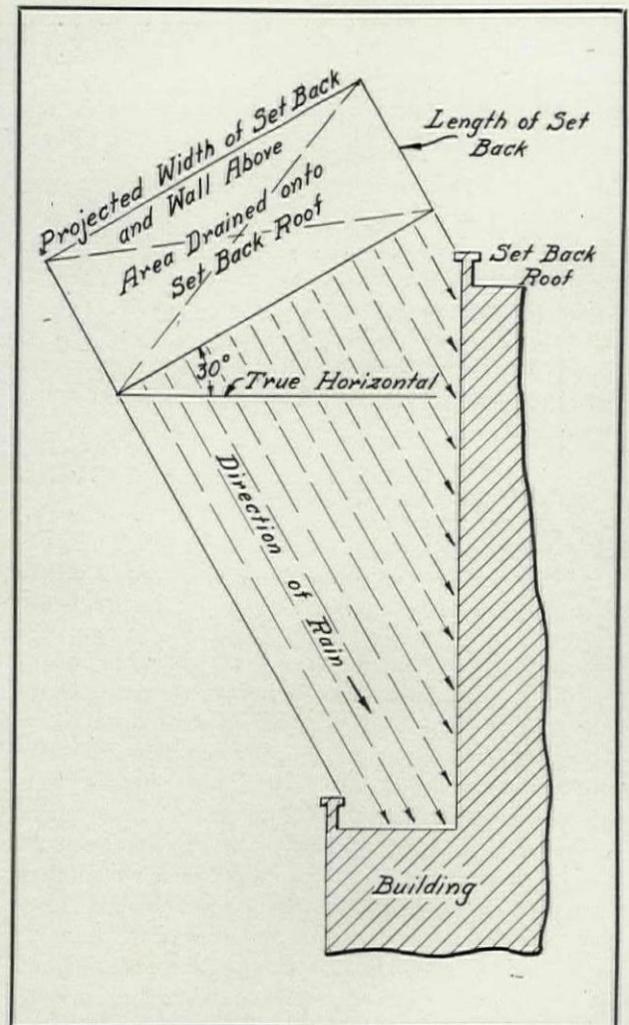


Fig. 10

to carry off the roof water, the extra area being usually more than sufficient to provide the necessary capacity for the soil and waste lines even during heavy rains.

Snow Melting Pipes. In vicinities where very low outside temperatures are encountered, snow melting pipes are often utilized. These are for the purpose of melting out the gutters over to the leader box, so that the leaders cannot become clogged with ice even when the combined action of the sun and the building warmth causes the snow on the roof to melt. They are usually made of perforated brass pipe with perhaps $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch diameter holes on 2-inch to 4-inch centers, and the size of the pipe is made sufficient to supply all the holes with steam at full pressure; the end of the pipe is capped. The pipe is set 2 inches or 3 inches above the bottom of the gutter, with perforations pointing down. These perforated pipes

are provided with valves inside the building and should be supplied with steam of at least 10 to 15 pounds gauge pressure. The ordinary heating system steam will usually not have sufficient pressure to satisfactorily operate these lines.

It is often necessary to make a steam connection to the leader just below the leader box so as to heat the leader pipe near the top as well as to thaw out the roof outlet. Unless this is done the action of the whole scheme may be prevented. These snow melting pipes and their cost of installation do not reach as high a figure as might be at first supposed; they have not returns to consider, and each roof,—or even each part of each roof,—may be thawed consecutively so that the risers are never carrying a very heavy load. Probably a 2-inch or 3-inch main steam pipe riser would be sufficient for any high building whose ground area does not exceed 200 x 300 feet.

A NEW WAY TO DETERMINE ECHOES

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TO determine the proper period of reverberation for given auditoriums is not difficult, nor is making an estimate of the proper amount of sound-absorbent material necessary to obtain the desired acoustical results. This phase of the subject of acoustics has been clarified. With patience and care, the proper period of reverberation of echo in a room may be determined from formulæ, and an acoustical correction may be computed.

Sometimes, after the proper period of reverberation in an auditorium has been ascertained, one finds places in the room where it is extremely difficult to hear. These places are usually called "dead" spots and are caused by the concentration of reflected sound that is out of phase with the direct sound by one-thirtieth of a second or more. To get rid of these spots, one must find the reflecting surfaces which cause them, then change the shapes of the surfaces or treat them with enough sound-absorbent material to eliminate the disturbing

reflections. Several methods have been employed for the detection of "dead spots." An ingenious plan developed by Prof. F. R. Watson of the University of Illinois uses an arc light at the focus of a parabolic reflector. A beam of light is cast and a hissing sound emitted simultaneously by this instrument. The apparatus may be set up on the stage of the auditorium to be tested, and the beam of light directed against any portion of the room's interior. By placing mirrors on the surfaces against which the beam of light is directed, the path of the light after it is reflected may be noted. A sound is reflected in much the same manner as a light beam. In an auditorium being thus tested, the sound may

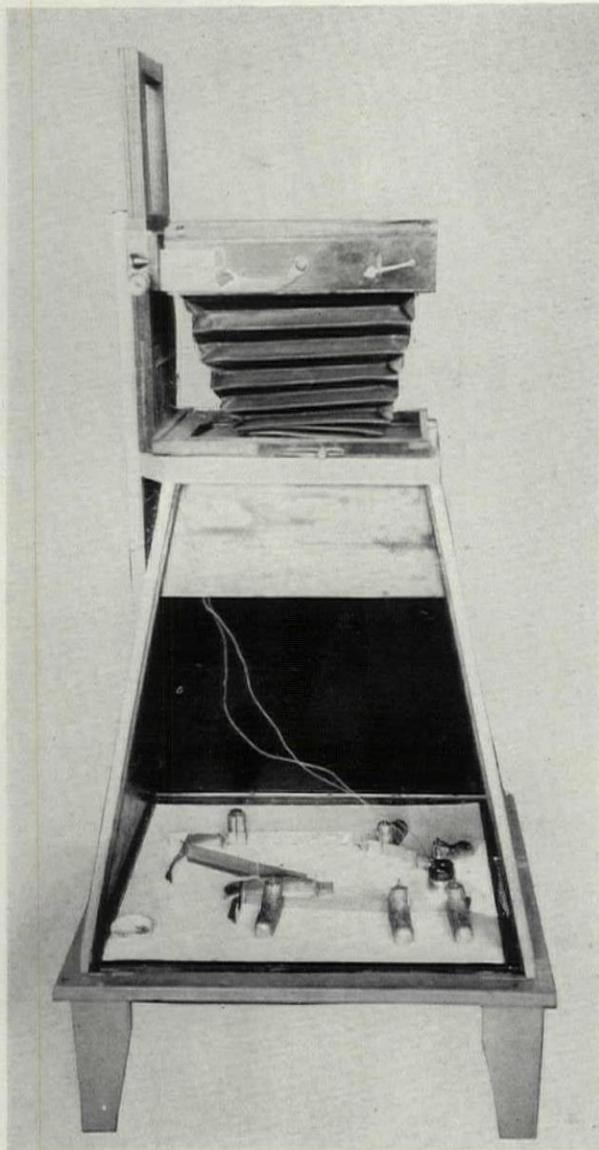


Fig. 1

Camera Mounted Above Section of an Auditorium, as Used in Studying Echoes

be heard distinctly if the ear is moved into the path of the beam of light. By careful and assiduous manipulation of this apparatus, a thorough survey can be made of any auditorium, its "dead spots" plotted, and the surfaces which cause them determined. Then one may either change these surfaces in shape or pad them with a sound-absorbent material to eliminate the cause of the disturbance.

Another method, developed by Dr. Paul Sabine of the Riverbank Laboratories, involves making the model of a cross section of the auditorium to be studied, and the production of a very intense, single-sound wave at the spot where the speaker stands. This sound wave is then photographed. The machine may be timed so as to photograph the sound wave at any increment of time after it has left the source. In this way, a series of photographs may be taken, each one showing the spherical sound wave as a ring, expanding away from the source. With a succession of these photo-

graphs, the progress of the wave may be noted, its reflection from the various surfaces studied, and the disturbing surfaces determined. A third way of studying an auditorium in regard to its echo-producing surfaces is to lay out the significant sections of the room, then in each section take the speaker's location as a source, and draw lines or rays out to all the boundaries of the section from this point. The rays are assumed to reflect at an angle which is equal to their angle of incidence, and are reflected into the auditorium. These rays then show the paths in which sound travels after its first reflection. If a great number of these rays are accurately drawn, and the angles of incidence and re-

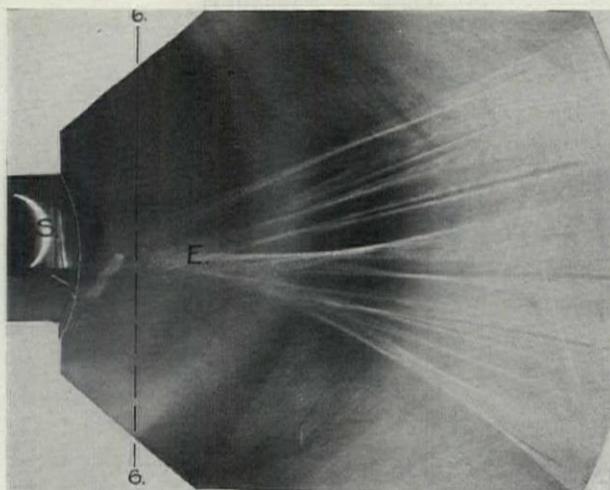


Fig. 2

Photograph of Plan Section of Uncorrected Auditorium Showing Sound Focus at E

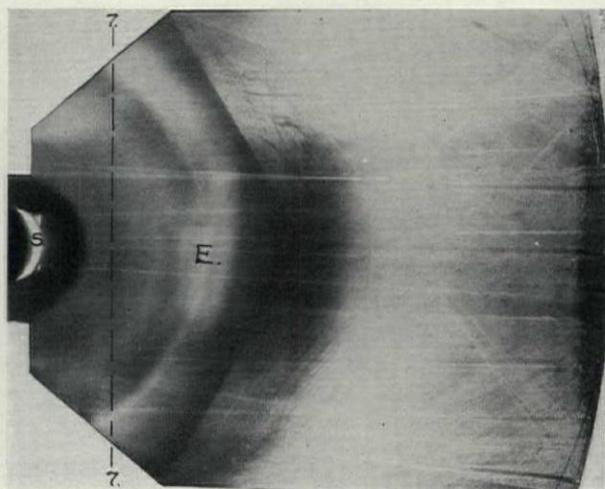


Fig. 3

Photograph of Plan Section of Corrected Auditorium Showing No Sound Focus

reflection carefully measured, the resulting picture gives a fair idea of how the sound acts.

Of the methods mentioned, the first is applicable only to auditoriums which have been erected; it cannot be used on the sketches of proposed auditoriums. The models employed by the second method may be made from the architects' sketches of the room, but this method is laborious and time-consuming, due to the necessity of building plaster models of the various cross sections of the auditorium to be studied, and because carefully timed photographs are essential. The third method is applicable to auditoriums of which the plans are available, and it can be utilized in the case of buildings which are only in the sketch state. It had previously been employed by the Burgess Laboratories in making acoustical analyses of rooms before the buildings had been erected, or even fully designed. This method consumes so much time, however, that an accurate short cut was sought.

The significant sections of a room to be studied are usually: (1) the floor plan, (2) longitudinal section, (3) cross sections. They are laid out in line on a stiff white paper (Fig. 1). The section to be studied first is placed on a flat surface, and a highly polished strip made of metal $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch wide is placed along the boundary lines of the section, the width (the $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch dimension) being perpendicular to the plane of the section. This strip is bent to conform to the outline of the section, and is held in place by weights similar to spline weights. The section is then placed in a darkened room and a small bulb situated at the source of sound is lighted. The reflections from the polished metallic strip are found to make the same pattern on the surface of the paper as would be obtained if one should carefully construct lines representing all the rays of light from the same point and from the reflecting surfaces. This method gives results more accurate than those secured by drafting, and in a fraction of the time required for that method.

Although sound is reflected in the same manner as is light, sound is of such a long wave length in comparison to light that it is much more easily dispersed. Consequently, the engineers studied with extreme care this detail in their method of analysis, since light was employed in place of sound. Under the older method, where the rays of sound were laid out on the drafting board, they were laid out as rays, and no provision was made to correct for the dispersion of the sound. The new method is more accurate than the old, because the likelihood of there being drafting room errors in working out all angles of incidence and reflection is eliminated.

Several auditoriums were laid out and thoroughly studied by the old drafting table method. Small models were then set up with the reflecting walls, using an electric light at the speaker's position. The resulting patterns cast on the paper were found to coincide almost exactly with the patterns obtained from the drafting method. It was only necessary, then, to devise some way of making a record of the light patterns which were cast in the auditorium sections. This was done at first by setting up the sections on photographic paper in a darkened room. The bulb was placed at the desired position and lighted. The intensity of the light is greater where the light is reflected from the walls in addition to the general lighting, so that paper is exposed more at these places, and a shadow picture of the reflections is obtained. In studying the effects of the reflected sound, pegs or pins inserted at different points along the floor and balcony of the auditorium (in the cross section at points in which auditors would be stationed) proved to be exceedingly helpful. These pegs cast shadows which pointed directly away from the surfaces from which the light was being reflected. By reversing the direction and following these shadows, each surface causing a shadow was found. If the distance from the source of the sound to any one of the surfaces and then onward to the listener were greater than the direct distance from

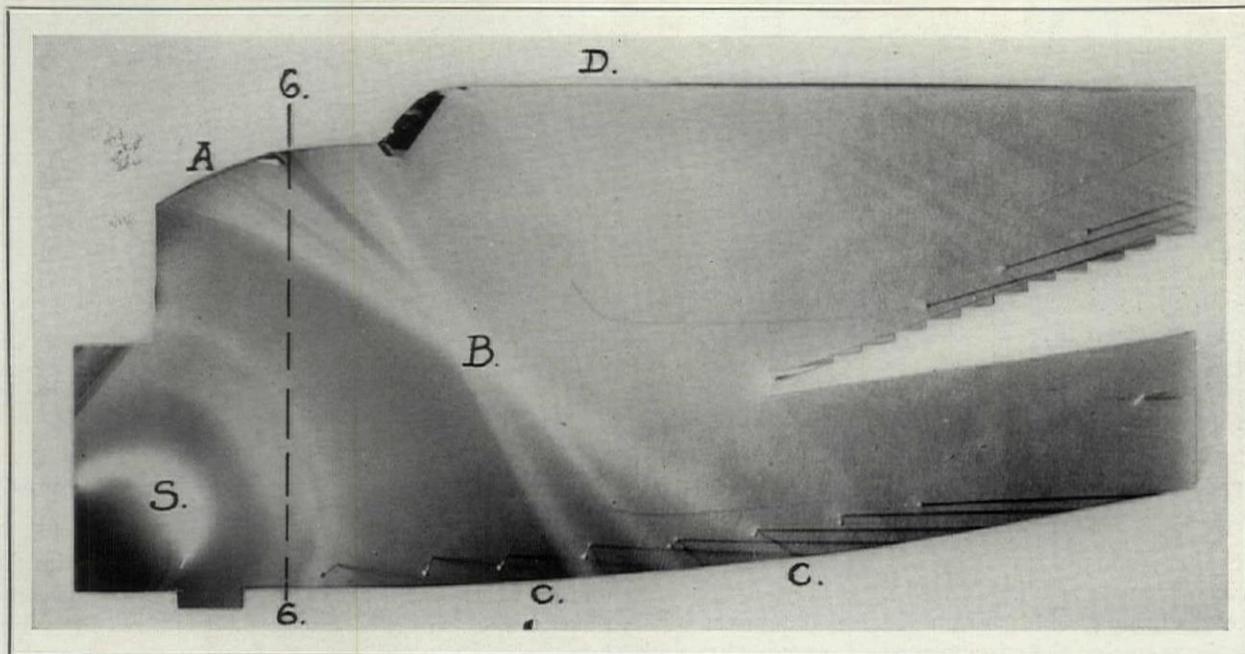


Fig. 4. Longitudinal Section Through Auditorium Showing Echoes at C-C

the source to the auditor, a confusion of the sound would be heard. If the difference in the two paths were more than 70 feet, an echo would be heard; if it were less than 70 feet but more than 35 feet, a blurring effect would make it hard for auditors to understand the speaker.

Referring to Fig. 2, which is the plan view of an auditorium, it will be seen that, with a source at S on the stage, there is a reflection from each side wall toward the center of the room, and that there is a reflection from the rear wall which concentrates at E. The reflections from the side walls are everywhere divergent and do not come to a focus. For this rea-

son, the intensity of this reflection to any single auditor is small, and in all probability would cause no disturbance. Investigations in actual rooms have proved this to be the case. The concentrated reflections at E, however, produce an irritating conflict of sound waves in this region. The reason for this is that practically all of the reflected sound from the rear wall is concentrated in this area, and the intensity of the reflected sound here may be greater than that of the direct sound. In Fig. 3 the curvature of the rear wall has been changed, with the result that all of the concentration at E is eliminated. The sound from the source at S is now reflected in paral-

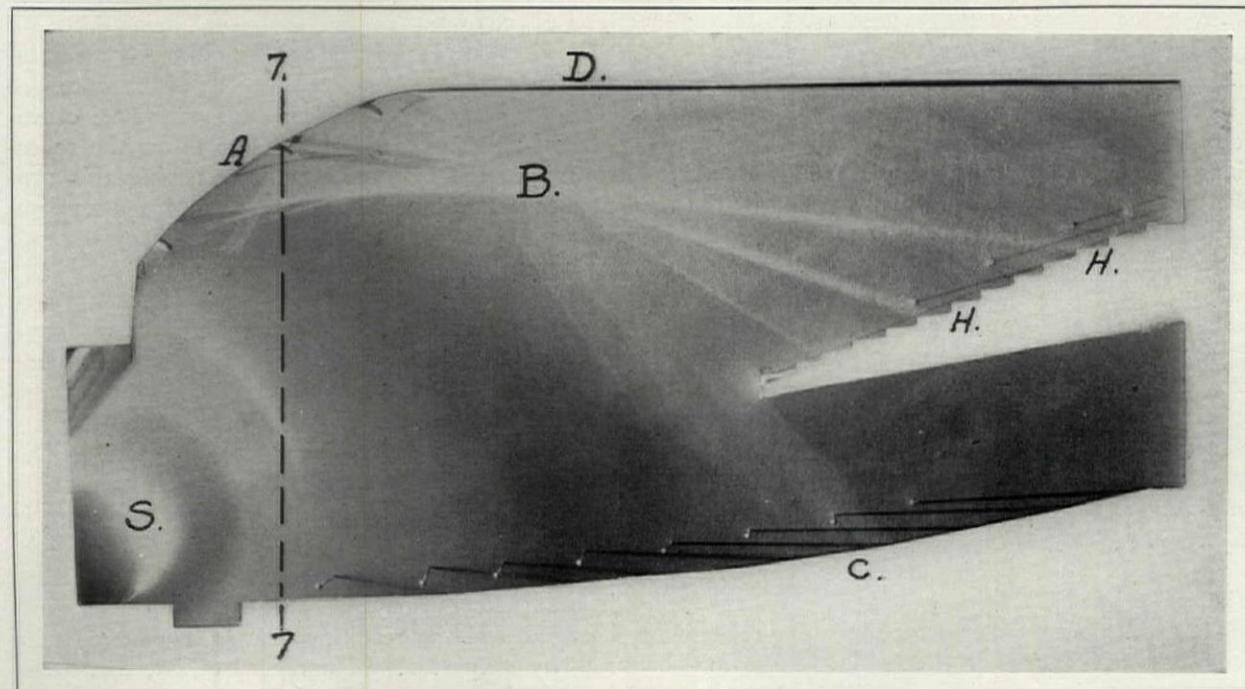


Fig. 5. Longitudinal Section Through Auditorium Showing Elimination of Echoes and Sound Reinforced in Balcony

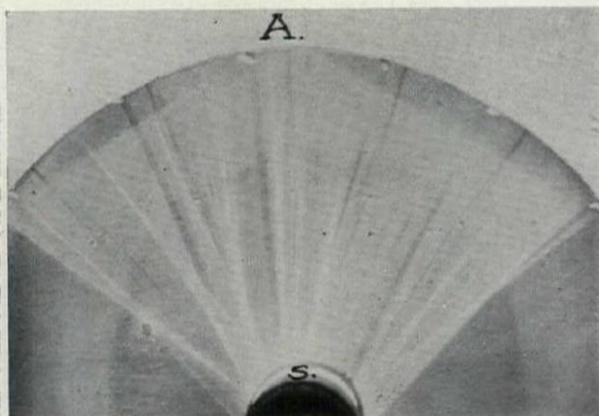


Fig. 6

Transverse Section Through Auditorium Showing Concentration of Sound Due to Ceiling Curvature

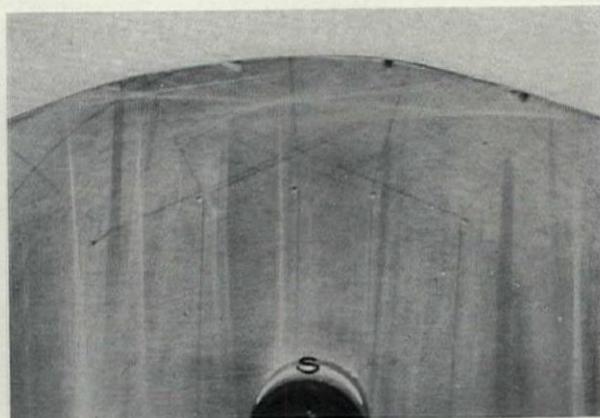


Fig. 7

Transverse Section Through Auditorium Showing Changed Curvature Eliminating Sound Concentrations

lel lines, and the intensity of the reflection at any given point is small. A wall of this type produces no disturbing echo. From these two figures, it is easily seen that the curvature of the rear wall should not be greater than that shown in Fig. 3.

The next two diagrams, Fig. 4 and Fig. 5, show longitudinal sections of the auditorium. Fig. 4 shows the auditorium as originally designed. The ceiling surface nearest the proscenium arch is curved in both directions, and the main part of the ceiling is flat. When this section was set up for study, the reflections from this first ceiling surface A, with the sound source at S, showed a decided concentration of sound at B. This sound then diverged and covered an area (C-C) at the floor level. In this section pegs were inserted along the floor and balcony surfaces to simulate auditors. The fourth, fifth, and sixth pegs from the stage cast two shadows. One, when prolonged past the peg, intersected the source; the other, similarly prolonged, touched a portion of the ceiling surface A. Lines drawn from the source to these points of intersection properly represent the path of the sound. Since these sections were made to a definite scale, the distance traveled by the direct sound and that traveled by the reflected sound could be accurately measured. If the difference in these distances is more than 35 feet, acoustical trouble over the area C-C occurs. It will be noted that the seventh peg from the stage also casts two shadows. The secondary shadow, when projected through the pin, intersects the ceiling surface D, which is flat. For this reason, as in the case of the floor plan, the reflected sound does not come to a focus, but is everywhere divergent, and is so dispersed when it reaches the auditor as to cause no troublesome echo or blurring.

In Fig. 5 the ceiling surface A has been changed. The curve has been started lower at the stage, and has been run to meet the surface D. The reflections from this surface are not directed into the main floor of the auditorium as they are in Fig. 4, but are thrown back into the balcony, striking the area H-H.

The pegs along this area now cast double shadows, one of which when prolonged from the peg passes through the source. The second intersects the ceiling surface A. Again, if lines are drawn from the source to these points of intersection, the paths of the direct sound and reflected sound may be measured. It will generally be found that in a case of this kind, the difference between the two paths is relatively small,—less than 35 feet,—and that the reflected sound acts as a reinforcement of the direct sound, and improves audition in the balcony seats. Notice that the reflection indicated at C is unchanged, but as before said, this reflection is from the flat ceiling surface D, and has no bad effect on audition at this point.

Fig. 6 and Fig. 7 show transverse sections through the auditorium at the line 6-6 in Fig. 2 and Fig. 4, and at line 7-7 in Fig. 3 and Fig. 5. In Fig. 6 the transverse curvature of the ceiling surface A is great. The effect of this is that the sound is concentrated toward the center of the auditorium. A concentration in this direction aggravates the disturbance, due to this surface. Even when the longitudinal curvature of this surface is changed to throw the reflections into the balcony, a surface having this pronounced curvature is certain to cause a concentration of reflected sounds in the middle of the balcony, and this will be distinctly uncomfortable to auditors there. When this curvature is changed, as it is in Fig. 7, the reflected sound travels in practically parallel rays which tend to distribute the sound evenly over the balcony surface. The apparatus used at the Burgess Laboratories to make this diagnosis of acoustical defects is shown in Fig. 1. This illustration shows a cross section of an auditorium erected for study. When laid out in miniature in this way, the auditorium may be studied directly by observing the reflections from the different surfaces. These surfaces may be quickly and conveniently changed, and the resulting change in pattern is instantaneously seen. If a record of any one set-up is desired, the open side of the box is closed and a photograph is taken, camera mounted above model.

HEATING AND VENTILATING FOR THE ARCHITECT

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Editor's Note. In this article Mr. West takes up the practical standards in regard to temperature, humidity and air motion requirements. He considers the questions of artificial ventilation; the ways of determining whether or not such ventilation is necessary and, if so, the character of the ventilation to be provided; and air conditioning. The first article of this series by Mr. West appeared in THE ARCHITECTURAL FORUM for April, 1928, Part Two.

CONSIDERING the matter offhand, the heating of a building is a simple problem, but when thoroughly analyzed it is found to present a number of interesting sides which are well worth the consideration of the careful designer. Good heating consists in the maintenance of comfortable temperatures throughout the occupied spaces of any building, an economical "process temperature" where required in manufacturing buildings, and enough heat elsewhere in all classes of buildings to prevent freezing of pipes, etc. An important consideration in any of these cases is the maintenance of the required temperature where it is needed, with as little waste as possible in the adjacent spaces where heat is not required. This is of importance in all kinds of buildings, but especially where heat may be required at or near the floor, where because of the natural tendency of heated air to rise, there may be a high degree of overheating in the upper spaces, with much unnecessary loss of heat through the upper walls and roof. Heat may be required in certain parts of a space only. In such cases the problem is to control the heat so as to establish the required conditions where needed and waste as little heat elsewhere as possible. Recent research has shown that much economy may be had by confining the heat to the 6-foot height of rooms, thereby preventing the usual difference of about $1\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ Fahr. per foot in height between the floor and ceiling. This difference may be reduced to about $2/10^{\circ}$ Fahr. with some of the newer types of radiators or concealed heaters. This may mean a saving of 40 per cent in extreme cases, and something over 10 per cent ordinarily.

Theory of Heating Standards. When we speak of the "temperature," we generally refer to the "dry bulb" temperature. This measure of temperature is of little value for determining the conditions of comfort for human beings or the proper atmospheric conditions for the processes of manufacture. Recent research at the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers' Research Laboratory, operating in conjunction with the United States Bureau of Mines and the United States Bureau of Public Health, has shown that there are three important factors which go to make up the effective temperature, or the physiological temperature effect which atmosphere will exert upon human beings. These are *dry bulb* temperature, *wet bulb* tempera-

ture, and *air* motion; on them our comfort depends.

The *dry bulb temperature* is that taken with an ordinary thermometer (usually reading in Fahrenheit degrees), and this represents the temperature of the air without reference to the effect of its moisture content.

The *wet bulb temperature* is that taken with a similar thermometer, which has its bulb encased in a silk mesh bag; the reading being taken after the bag has been moistened with clean water and the instrument has been whirled through the air until the indication has become stable. This wet bulb temperature takes into account the conditions of the atmosphere as to its moisture content, due to the fact that the rate of evaporation of the moisture from the bag and the consequent cooling of the thermometer bulb, caused by this evaporation, depend upon the relative amount of moisture in the air.

By *air motion* is meant the velocity of the air in feet per minute. Its effect is that of a breeze, in removing the enveloping air and bringing new air to take its place, thus producing a cooling effect by increasing evaporation.

The combined effect of these three factors is designated as the effective temperature. An idea of the relative importance of these factors may be gained by taking an ordinary dry bulb temperature of 70° and considering that there is an effective temperature of 60° when the air is absolutely dry and without motion, an effective temperature of 50° when dry and with an air motion of 500 feet per minute, and an effective temperature of 70° when fully saturated and without air motion. These factors have a similar bearing upon the effect that an atmosphere will have upon processes or products of manufacture. They affect the drying, cooling, heating, expanding, contracting, hydrating, dehydrating, cracking, warping, sweating and other effects and variations which any particular or varying atmospheric conditions may exert upon the product.

The effective temperature, not the dry bulb temperature or the wet bulb temperature, or both without the consideration of air motion, determines the heating requirements as far as the health, comfort and efficiency of workers or the quantity and quality of products of manufacturers are concerned. The exact physiological effect of these factors has been established by the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers' Research Laboratory, as illustrated by the accompanying chart shown in Fig. 1. This shows the effective temperature chart for human beings at rest in still air with different dry bulb and wet bulb temperatures corresponding to different percentages of relative humidity, or moisture in the atmosphere. The relative humidity is

calculated from the difference between the wet and dry bulb readings. This chart is made up of vertical isothermal lines representing the dry bulb temperature, as shown on the horizontal scale at the bottom; horizontal lines, representing the grains of moisture per pound of dry air as shown on the vertical scale at the left; light oblique isothermal lines sloping downward toward the right, representing the wet bulb temperatures as shown in the scale along the upper curved line; heavy oblique effective temperature lines, representing the effective temperatures as shown on the same scale as the wet bulb temperatures; and the oblique curved lines, representing the relative humidity in percentages of the quantity of moisture required to saturate air at the particular dry bulb temperature under consideration. The shaded section between the effective temperatures of 62° and 69° covers the conditions of substantially equal human comfort and is designated as the "comfort zone." The effective temperature of 64° is the optimum for the average human being at rest in still air, and is designated as the "comfort line."

To use this chart, start with the dry bulb temperature, for example, of 70°, at (A) and follow the vertical line to its point of intersection with the wet bulb temperature, say of 57°, at (B). The curved line passing through this point of intersection will represent the relative humidity, which in this case happens to be 45 per cent. Starting from (B) a line drawn parallel to the nearest effective temperature line to the scale of effective temperature will intersect this scale at the effective temperature reading, which happens to be 64° in this case. Starting again from (B), a horizontal line will intersect the scale of moisture contents at the number of grains per cubic foot of air, or 44°. Similarly, by starting with any two known factors, the other may be found. The example represents the optimum effective temperature condition for a dry bulb temperature of 70°. It will be seen that for this dry bulb temperature the moisture contents may be varied between 24 and 100 grains per cubic foot, corresponding to a variation from 28 to 92 per cent of relative humidity, and an effective temperature variation from 62 to 69 degrees, without getting outside the comfort zone in either direction.

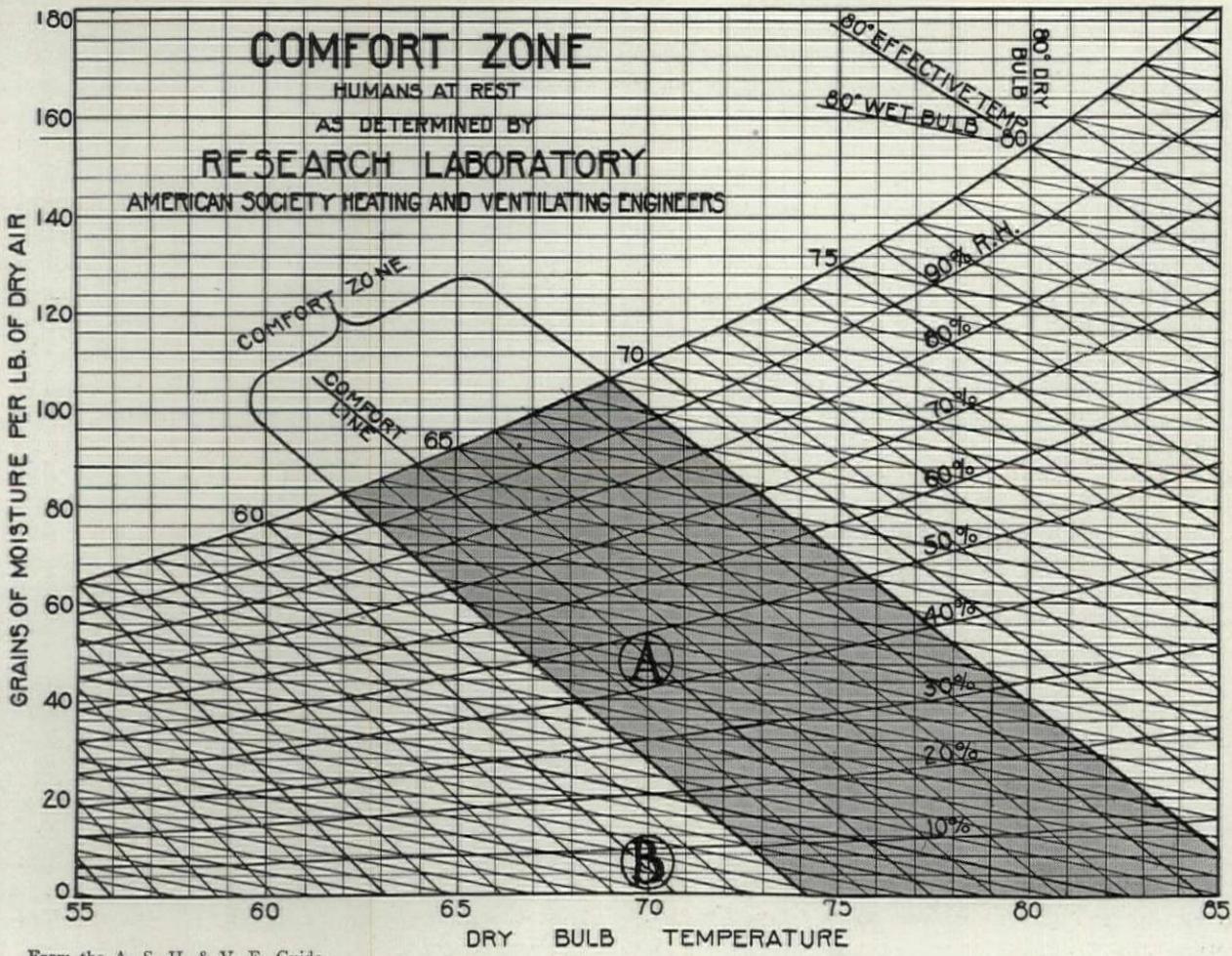
It should be borne in mind, however, that this comfort zone covers the extreme limits for health and comfort, and that the nearer the conditions are kept to the comfort line the more ideal they will be. It should be noted that around 70° dry bulb the allowable variation in humidity is greater than at temperatures far below or above. Also the dryer the air the hotter it must be, and the more moist the air the cooler it must be, in order to produce the proper degree of comfort. It should be noted in connection with air motion that a dry bulb temperature of 76½° with 150 feet per minute air motion, and 82½° with 500 feet per minute air motion, are required to meet the comfort line requirements of 70° without air motion, with 45 per cent relative

humidity in each case. Also that the widest allowable variation in humidity is near these temperatures.

There are conditions, therefore, under which moisture in the air assists the cooling effect of air movements, and other conditions under which it retards it. This is why the wind makes one feel colder on a cold, damp winter day and hotter on a hot, damp summer day. So far we have discussed the conditions pertaining to human beings at rest. For those actively engaged in work, there is considerable variation from these conditions of comfort, depending upon the character of the work. These conditions have not been very accurately determined as yet, but present indications are that for human beings at hard work the effective temperature may be reduced at least 5 degrees, as far as health and comfort are concerned. Some recent studies throughout the industries indicate that male workers show best results at a temperature of 72° and a relative humidity of 40 per cent, and female workers at 80° and a corresponding lower relative humidity, with both conditions corresponding to an effective temperature of about 65°.

It has long been known that overheating is very enervating and greatly lowers the capacity of workers, but this condition cannot be diagnosed from the dry bulb temperature alone. If the humidity is decreased in proportion, the temperature may frequently be increased with advantage, as shown by these studies. Studies of the New York Commission on Ventilation indicated that the capacity of workers is reduced about 28 per cent with a temperature of 78° and a high relative humidity as compared with a temperature of 68° and a low relative humidity. This report is not definite, but the higher temperature and humidity would probably correspond to an effective temperature of 75° and the lower conditions to about 63°. It is fairly safe to say that an increase of each degree in effective temperature will decrease the capacity of workers about 2½ per cent. These studies are being further carried out, and more definite results will be forthcoming, but it can be seen that the data already available are very useful if properly understood and applied. The reason that the data on proper standards of heating are not more definite is that the physiological reactions upon human beings are so different and indefinite that a great amount of very careful and laborious research is necessary to determine the exact conditions of comfort, and vastly more to determine the effects on health, efficiency and longevity. In the effects upon processes and products, the determinations are much easier and the available data much more exact. For this reason it is sometimes found that better heating and ventilating conditions are maintained for making chewing gum, candy, tobacco, textiles and other products of manufacture than for the employes working in the factories producing them.

Practical Heating Standards. The proper standards for heating comfort where the occupants are



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Fig. 1. Chart Showing Relations of Temperatures and Humidity to Comfort

not engaged in manual labor, is from 62° to 69°, with an optimum of 64° effective temperature, but as already pointed out, the dry bulb temperature necessary to produce these results may be varied from 62° to 90°, depending upon the relative humidity and air motion. Optimum conditions for all of these factors are perhaps around 70° dry bulb, 45 per cent relative humidity, with a light air motion. Where occupants are performing light work, the dry bulb temperature may be reduced to 67½°, and where performing heavy work to 65° with 60° as the low limit. Departures from these standards will represent a loss in comfort and efficiency of about 2½ per cent per degree.

In producing these results it is necessary to take into account not only the heat to be supplied by the heating and ventilating equipment, but the body heat given up by the occupants themselves, as well as the heat given off by the lighting, motors and other equipment, and these must be properly balanced against the heat losses from the building. In special cases where furnaces or other large heat-emitting sources are present, it is important to know the exact physiological effects which these will produce on the occupants, as it sometimes involves a problem of cooling by air motion or other means to pre-

vent overheating at these points, and at the same time maintain sufficient heat elsewhere in the room. The Kata thermometer, which is an instrument which can be held at body temperature and at the same time record the rate of heating or cooling effect of surroundings, is used to determine the conditions to be met in such cases.

Kinds of Heating Apparatus to Use. Cast iron boilers are desirable for residences or small buildings, or even for larger buildings where low pressures are carried and load fluctuations are small. They have the advantage of high resistance to corrosion, ease of rigging to the point of erection, flexibility in the addition or replacement of sections, low first cost, and small space requirements. Steel boilers of the fire-box or self-contained types are desirable for larger buildings with fluctuating loads and higher pressures, and have larger water and steam storage capacity, great tensile strength, freedom from cracking, high economy, quick response and capability of being forced. Water tube boilers are desirable for high-pressure plants where large capacity must be gotten into small floor space and where the duty is heavy and continuous, loads fluctuating, and extreme safety an important item.

The use of oil fuel is largely a matter of choice

and opinion with the owner. Generally speaking, it is cleaner and requires less labor than coal, is more easily stored, and requires less space. It is not a panacea for all fuel troubles, as oil burners depend on electrically or steam-driven machinery which must be kept in repair and is subject to many difficulties if not properly installed, understood and taken care of. Here again the psychology of the situation should be well considered, and use of oil should not be forced on unwilling owners or operators, as it takes good will, good service and good operation to make it successful. In residences, schools and small buildings generally, where expert operating organizations are not in charge, the lighter oils which are subject to automatic control should be used. The cost of heating with oil at about 10 cents per gallon is equivalent to that with \$15 coal. The cost of the apparatus will add from 20 to 50 per cent to the cost of the heating system, most of which is offset by the saving of space, especially in larger buildings. In larger structures heavy oil may be used at from 4 to 5 cents per gallon, which is equivalent in cost to heating with coal at from \$6 to \$8 per ton.

Gas fuel is very satisfactory; requires little space; is entirely free from dirt and labor; and susceptible to ready automatic control. Its cost with the ordinary heating system and at \$1 per 1000 cubic feet of 500 B. t. u. gas, is equivalent to that with \$32 coal.

Concealing radiation in recesses or cabinets is being done to a great extent, but care should be taken to see that this is done so as not to interfere with proper heating (see pages 77 and 78 of the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers' Guide, 1928). Concealed and cabinet radiators are fast coming to the front and are very effective and economical, but have hardly been in use long enough to determine the effect of dust and lint collecting between the fins, or to demonstrate as to how they stand up otherwise after long usage. Radiation with a preponderant radiant factor as compared with ordinary radiators which operate largely on the convection principle, has recently been developed. It is claimed that this new type gives the same degree of comfort in the lower parts of small rooms as the other types of radiation, but with appreciably less heat input. It is interesting to note that the concealed or cabinet radiators tend to accomplish the same purpose by causing a more rapid and extensive circulation of air in the lower portions of small rooms to and from the radiator, thus reducing the overheating of the air in the upper parts and reducing the heat loss. These new developments seem to be along the right lines. Their tendency is toward more efficient heating with much better opportunity for artistic treatment than afforded by the architect's old enemy,—the radiator.

The Ventilating Problem. Ventilation perfection is a very definite thing, and may be thus defined: that atmospheric condition in every part of indoor space occupied by human beings which is continually maintained with a proper amount of oxygen;

free from dust, bacteria, objectionable odors; poisonous and other objectionable substances; with suitable air movements, and at the temperature and humidity condition within the zone of human comfort as scientifically determined. Good ventilation may be considered as that percentage of perfection of these factors which is warranted by the requirements of human health, comfort and efficiency on the one hand, and expense and labor to produce these conditions (whenever they do not naturally exist) on the other. In the popular mind the general subject of the theory and practice of ventilation is in a state of complete flux. There is, however, a very rapid crystallization toward very definite standards and practices.

Is Ventilation Necessary? The answer to this depends upon the particular requirements for the space in question, but generally speaking, any space within which the atmospheric conditions cannot be naturally maintained within the range of comfort can well be given the best mechanical ventilation devisable. It is no longer felt that the chemical composition of the air is the important factor, but that proper ventilation depends more largely upon a number of other factors which are given here in approximately the order of their importance:

1. Air supply.
2. Air temperature.
3. Air cleanliness in reference to its freedom from dust and other suspended matter.
4. Air sanitation with reference to its freedom from bacteria.
5. Relative humidity.
6. Distribution.
7. Air motion.
8. Freedom from odors.
9. Freedom from other injurious substances.
10. Freedom from monotony, in regard to noise and too much regularity of indoor conditions.

Air supply is put at the head of the list, because without air supply there can be no artificial ventilation. Air temperature is second, because it has been proved by practically all of the accredited experimenters that overheating is more detrimental to the quality of ventilation than any other one thing.

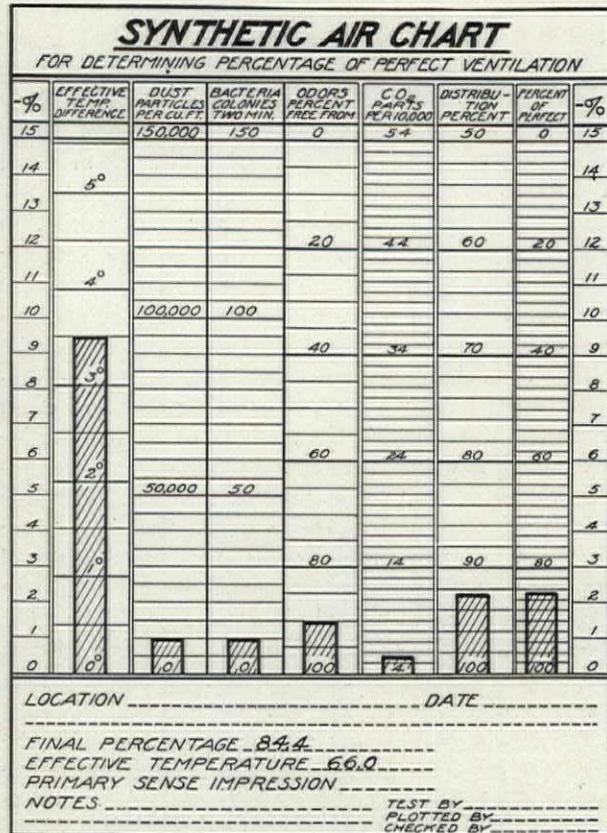
Air cleanliness is third, because it has to do with human health from the standpoint of freedom from dust and other suspended substances which irritate and clog the air passages, and from the standpoint of freedom from bacteria and other media of infection carried along with these substances. Air sanitation is fourth, as it also affects human health and is correlated with the third item. Relative humidity is fifth, not because it is of so much less importance than air supply and temperature, but because it also bears such an intimate relationship with these two items that it receives a part of its due consideration in their determination. Distribution is sixth, for a similar reason, for while it occupies a much more important place than this position might indicate, it is intimately connected with the effective air supply

because it is a factor in effective temperature. Air motion is seventh, in the same way. Freedom from odors is eighth, for the reason that odors are seldom dangerous or permanently detrimental to health, though quite disagreeable and even nauseating. Freedom from other injurious substances is ninth, because these substances are seldom found in ordinary ventilating practice and must be practically eliminated in any case. Freedom from monotony is tenth, because it has to do with the last refinements and the psychology of ventilation only.

In order to properly measure and compare the effects of these various factors the synthetic air chart as shown in Fig. 2 has been devised and adopted as the standard measure of the quality of ventilation. This chart takes air supply into account under the heading of carbon dioxide content, CO₂. The scale for this factor is based on the assumption that 300 parts of CO₂ in 10,000 parts of air, together with the other vitiation which would accompany this quantity of CO₂ when exhaled with the human breath, might produce results that would be permanently injurious to health. For each part of CO₂ in 10,000 (above that ordinarily contained in the outside atmosphere and assumed at four parts in 10,000) a deduction of 1/3 per cent is made for this particular column or department, and 0.3 per cent as the deduction in the final per cent of perfection column. The various other air factors are given their proper weight in determining the percentage rating of the ventilation conditions in the test. Air temperature, air motion and relative humidity are represented under the column of effective temperature difference. The percentages of perfection for good ventilation as thus determined range from 95 in new school classrooms to 80 in existing churches.

In the normally crowded city places of assemblage the heat given off by the occupants together with that given off by the lighting and power equipment is usually more than the normal heat loss through the structure to the outside air, even in winter under cold climatic conditions. This means that in order to preserve an equilibrium of effective temperature the entering air must be cooler than the leaving air, so that the problem is usually one of cooling and ventilating rather than heating and ventilating. In the practical work of engineers who design ventilating systems, and of architects and owners who pass upon these systems, the one item involving standards which is the basis of all calculations and layouts is the quantity of air to be handled by the system. The functions of the air are to supply the necessary oxygen for respiration, to keep the dilution of CO₂ and other objectionable substances down to the proper point, and to maintain the proper effective air temperature.

On the basis that the air brought in from the outside is for oxygen supply and dilution only, these cubic feet per minute per person would be required for the ventilation percentages shown, if all other factors are 100 per cent perfect.



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Fig. 2. Chart for Recording Results of Ventilation Tests

Percentage of perfection	Cu. ft. of air per minute required per person at rest	Cu. ft. of air per minute required per person at hard work
98	15.0	30.
96	7.5	15.0
94	5.0	10.0
92	3.75	7.5
90	3.0	6.0

In theaters, assembly rooms, auditoriums and other places of public amusement and assemblage there are usually several other factors to consider, such as the removal of excess heat, excess moisture, dust raised by the movements of the occupants, and odors. We may not hope to get better than from 40 to 60 per cent ventilation in warm summer weather without some method of air cooling. Air motion will assist, but unless increased beyond the usual 10 to 20 feet per minute ordinarily obtained from the movement of the air through the room, it will not improve the percentage of ventilation by more than from 2 to 3 per cent. By the use of refrigerating and dehumidifying apparatus this effective temperature department can be maintained at any desired percentage of perfection. The use of a good air washer should reduce the temperature about 70 per cent of the difference between the wet and dry bulb temperatures. About 10 cubic feet of air taken in from the outside, per person per minute, is

sufficient for winter conditions but inadequate for summer climates, where heat and humidity are the determining factors, unless refrigeration is used. It should also be noted that increasing the air supply from 10 to 50 cubic feet per person per minute gives little improvement unless some form of artificial cooling is used.

It would seem that about 75 per cent ventilation can be obtained under reasonably severe summer conditions with an air supply of 30 cubic feet per person, using an air washer, and that beyond this point there is little to be gained by increasing the supply. It should be noted that this is based on upward ventilation and that the cooling effect of from 5 to 10 degrees with air washers of perhaps twice this amount with refrigeration will produce uncomfortable drafts on the occupants at times. For this reason and for the further reasons that it is more sanitary and more easily controlled, the downward system of ventilation is perhaps more efficacious in large and constantly used places of assemblage. On account of transporting all of the heat from lights downward and of forcing the body-heated air back over the occupants, it is usually necessary to do much more cooling of the air than can be done with the air washer without refrigeration. On the other hand, the air is brought in high enough to permit of its being diffused and brought to the proper condition before coming into contact with the occupants. It can be seen, therefore, that the air supply per person per minute for assemblies could be 10 cubic feet in winter, 30 cubic feet in summer with the air washers, and anywhere between these two figures for the entire year with refrigeration. Also that nothing better than about 75 per cent ventilation can be secured in hot, sultry, summer weather without artificial cooling, but that with cooling, especially if the air supply is taken from overhead and exhausted from below, almost any percentage of perfection can be maintained.

Recirculation. The foregoing does not take into consideration the matter of recirculation, but it can readily be seen that there is little to be gained by recirculation unless an appreciable amount of CO₂ and attendant impurities which are put into the air can be taken out during recirculation. The handling of the larger quantity of air may be of value to produce air motion or for use as a better cooling medium with less temperature difference between incoming and outgoing air. Recirculation may also be used as a purely economic feature during the warming up of the building or during periods when the space is only partly occupied and the mechanical arrangements are inadequate for properly varying the quantity of air handled to suit. A good arrangement is to provide apparatus for handling 30 cubic feet of air per person per minute with provisions for recirculating any amount up to as much as two-

thirds of this. The percentage of air recirculated may be varied to suit the seasonal change so as to conserve heat in winter and refrigeration in summer.

Where effective temperature is controlled, according to the usual method, from the dry bulb temperature in the room, there may be a wide variation in this effective temperature due to the varying amounts of moisture in the air, unless humidifying apparatus with accurate humidity control is employed. Between the condition of absolute dry air at 70° and absolutely saturated air at 70°, there is a difference of 10 degrees in effective temperature which means an average difference of 25 per cent in the quality of ventilation. This may be taken to mean about 10 per cent on each side of the neutral point for ordinary ventilating conditions, so that the air washer and humidity should improve the ordinary ventilating plant another 10 per cent on this count. Good filters will of course serve the same purpose for cleaning the air of suspended matter, and may improve the ventilation about 10 per cent.

Relative Humidity. It should be noted, in connection with our present means of measuring and comparing qualities of ventilation, that we do not take into account any of the functions of the relative humidity of the air except that bearing upon effective temperature. This means that air of any temperature and relative humidity, within proper physical range, i.e., below 64° wet bulb, may be made to meet the comfort line by either heating or cooling without addition or deduction of moisture. Absolutely dry air may be heated or cooled to 78° and be 100 per cent as far as effective temperature is concerned, and still be far from perfect as far as effects on the membranes of nose, throat and lungs are concerned. Such dry air is also very conducive to the increase of dust in the atmosphere of a room from the standpoints of dryness and electro-static agitation. The air washer and humidifier correct these difficulties, and there should be some definition of limits for the relative humidity in our measure of ventilation.

Eliminating Dust. It is not unusual to find from one to two million particles of dust per cubic foot in the outside air surrounding city buildings, and unless this is eliminated it will give dust counts in rooms equivalent to a deduction of from 5 to 20 per cent in the perfection of ventilation. A good air washer should eliminate from 80 to 90 per cent of the dust entering the intake and perhaps reduce the dust penalty in the rooms to less than one-half of these figures. It will be seen, therefore, that air washing and humidification may improve the quality of ventilation about 10 per cent in the effective temperature department, plus another 10 per cent in the dust department, plus other improvements in the quality of ventilation by maintaining proper humidity and removing injurious substances and odors.

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THE DWELLINGS LAW

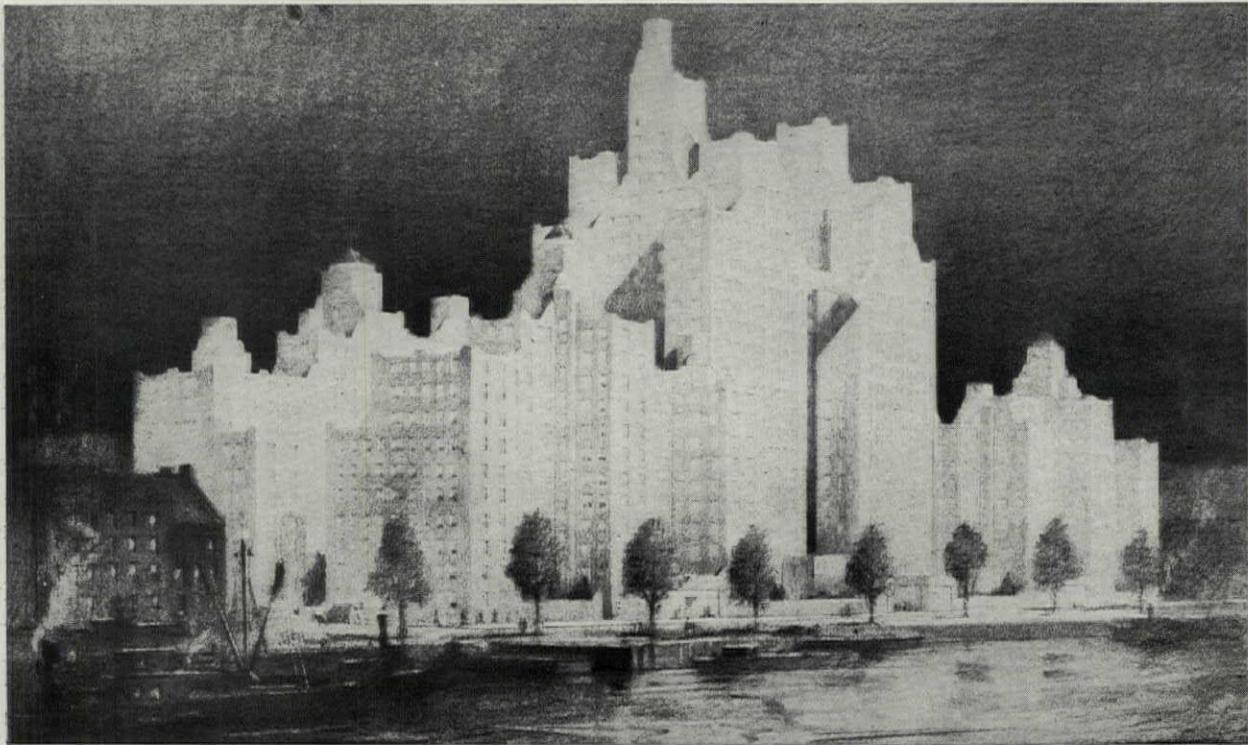
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RARELY has an item of legislation so interested New York architects as the proposed "Dwellings Law," which was submitted to the legislature last winter by the "Temporary Commission to Examine and Revise the Tenement House Law." The Real Estate Board of New York requested the appointment of this Commission for the purpose of making changes in the existing tenement house bill, which applies to the design, construction and maintenance of apartment houses in New York and in Buffalo. The request was worthy, for there can be no question that the existing law is obsolete in many provisions, and that it imposes unreasonable and costly penalties on design and construction.

So a new standard was demanded. Should it be a higher or a lower standard? That is the question. "We want a higher standard in some respects," said the Real Estate Board in effect, in its detailed recommendations to the Commission. "But," said the Real Estate Board, and here there was raised a large issue, "we want the privileges of building a greater bulk of structure on a given site, up to the limits permitted by the local zoning regulations which allow greater bulk for business structures, hotels, apartment hotels and institutional buildings, than does the tenement house act in the case of apartments." In other words, the real estate organization

demanded lower standards of light and air, although generally it favored adequate protection of sanitation and fire safety. But the Commission thought otherwise. In its proposed law the Commission stood squarely for somewhat higher standards of light and air than those in the existing tenement house bill. It went further. In order to protect the light and air of the individual property owner from the blanketing effect of tall non-apartment structures, the Commission greatly broadened the scope of the law. It included within its jurisdiction hotels, lodging houses, boarding houses, boarding schools, furnished room houses, lodgings, club houses and college and school dormitories, as being multiple dwellings, designating them as "Class B." "Class A" designation means multiple dwellings of the apartment class and includes apartment hotels. By this means, practically all structures that are likely to be erected in a residential district are brought under the same regulations governing height and bulk, thus enforcing a more orderly arrangement of buildings and blocks and preventing blanketing light and air. The Commission went still further. It enforced certain requirements of plan arrangement, sanitation and fire safety for dwellings likely to be converted in the future for multiple occupancy, in order that undesirable building may not result; and it also en-

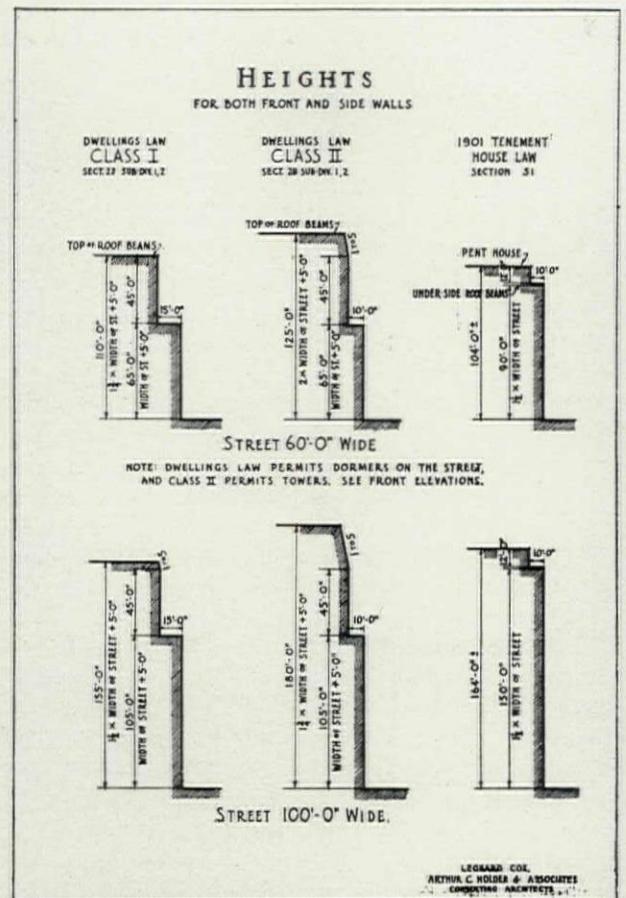


Possible Low Rental Development of City Block Under Proposed Dwellings Law

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forced additional requirements of fire safety and sanitation on tenement houses erected prior to 1901, which have proved veritable fire traps and dangerous sources of infectious diseases. It also enforced higher standards on houses already "converted" illegally which had escaped the administration of the tenement house law, and of which the Commission says that some 30,000 cases exist. These requirements are chiefly matters of alteration and repairs. They are very important, however, as will be realized from a detailed reading of the law.

It is the new standards set for new multiple dwellings that are of the greatest interest for architects. Here the new law goes well ahead in the prescription of an improved type of apartment house. The net rentable area permitted under the Dwellings Law appears to be about the same, or even a little greater than under present practice, as indicated by the table of comparative floor areas under the existing law and under the proposed measure, and by several typical floor plans of apartment houses. This is part of the work of the consulting architect of the Commission, Leonard Cox, of Arthur C. Holden and Associates. But, although the volume of building is roughly identical, a new shape of building is required. Larger courts and rear yards are necessary;—on the street fronts the cornices must be dropped about 30 per cent lower than at present, and on all four sides, if the building is to rise higher, there must be stepbacks until the maximum height limit is reached. This maximum height is raised above the limit of the existing tenement house law, thus giving back to the property owner the bulk taken away from him in the lower stories of his building. This is the great advance in standards made by the law. It brings us nearer the ultimate goal of the free-standing city building, which is essential for the skyscraper. On page 27 of its report, the Commission says that "the ideal condition (for light and air) involves a spacing between structures equal to twice their average height." The lower of the standards prescribed in the law shows, as the result of scientific candlepower measurement, 50 per cent more daylight and 20 per cent more sunlight than under the existing law's minimum standard. Judged by this criterion, the advance can be carried much further before a wholly satisfactory condition is reached. But, judged purely architecturally, the advance is greater than that. In the lower stories the skyscraper is partly disengaged from its neighbors along the lot lines, through larger court requirements,—something the Commission was very particular about,—but even more important, the buildings are completely disengaged beginning at a height approximately above the sixth story. "Dormers" are permitted on the street front, much as in the New York zoning regulation. In addition, a tower, covering no more than 20 per cent of the area of the site, where the plottage is 2,500 square feet or more, may be built up to an indefinite height under certain circumstances. The operation will be seen in the diagram, and one is referred to THE FORUM

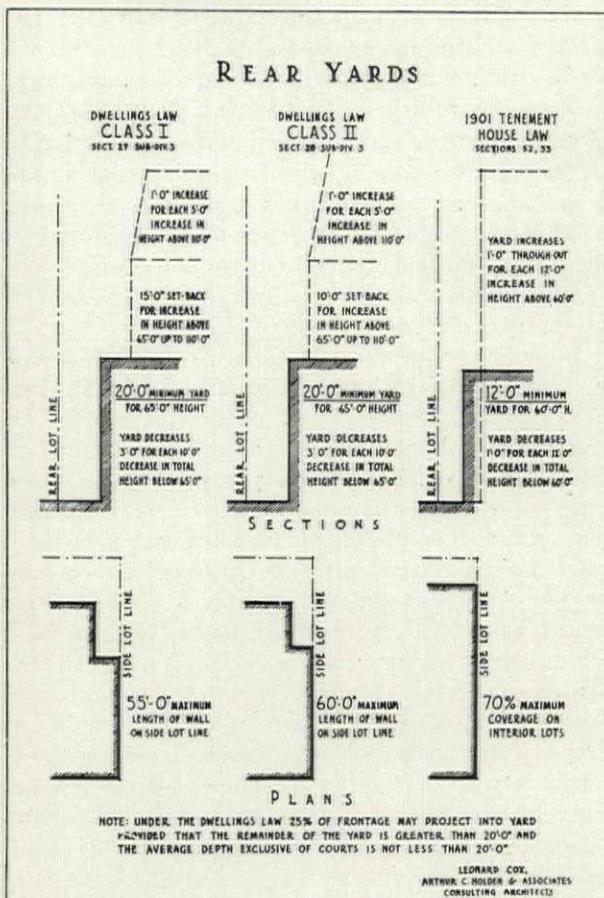
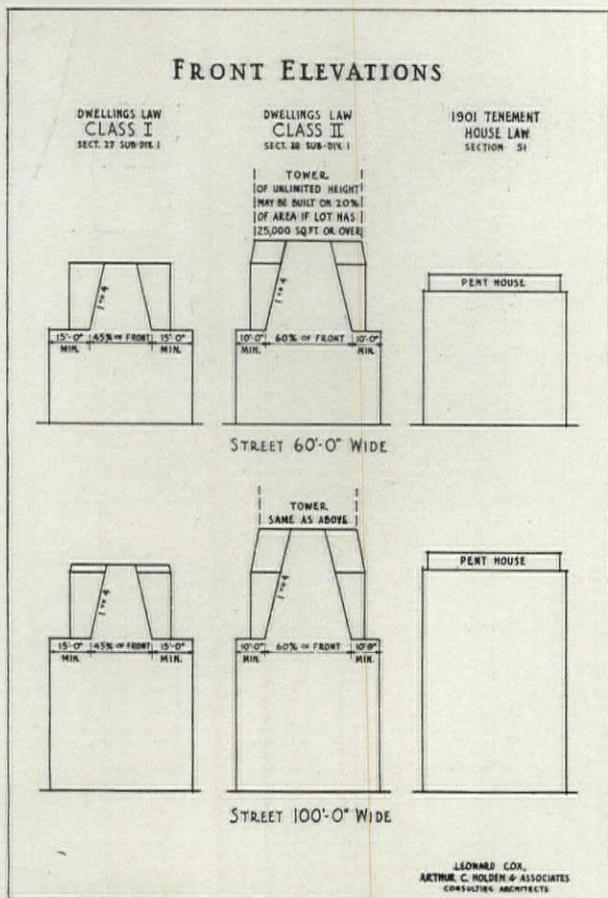


Heights and Setbacks for Front and Side walls

for February, to the article on "Architectural Law."

The purpose of the lower cornice heights, larger courts and yards and the pyramidal stepbacks is to admit more daylight into the lower stories of the city block. In the individual structure, a much larger proportion of rooms will be arranged two deep, and the stepbacks will facilitate the planning of single apartments with two or three exposures and terrace spaces. Quarters will be more like homes, with some of the amenities which make life decent. Architects will certainly approve of this standard, and will view with favor the appearance of the new type of city building which it introduces. They will see that it brings architecture back into city buildings and makes for order and an orderly city, as Harvey Wiley Corbett has well said. Under present conditions, skyscrapers,—yes, and lower buildings,—are jammed together, usually on undersized or ill-shaped plots, the buildings themselves distorted, box-like, ugly. The result is bound to be low-standard, no matter what the architect's ability. What has become of architecture as an art of three dimensions? There is no real planning but merely a skillful piecing together of a few standard parts and details. Homes have no character, and all look as much alike as rooms in a hotel. The people who must live in these abortions are getting well fed up with them.

As regards elevations of the typical New York apartment, what more favorable can be said? Eleva-



Possible Front Elevations and Rear Yards Under Proposed Dwellings Law and Under 1901 Tenement House Law

tion as an integral part of a mass,—which is the essence of architecture,—is nowhere to be seen, unless in a few exceptionally well situated buildings. The architect is a mere surface decorator,—as the engineer has at times unkindly called him,—a beauty specialist, who “lifts” the faces of buildings. Where are there any signs of beauty on Park Avenue, with its miles of solid walls of *casernes*? Billions of dollars’ worth of buildings in New York, built from acres of blue prints skillfully contrived, but scarce a cent’s worth of architecture! The Dwellings Law should abolish this unhappy practice, from which, in the long run, nobody gains.

But the most novel feature of the new law is the introduction of the principle of adjusting standards of light and air according to land values. Greater bulk, i. e., lower standards of light and air, are allowed on practically all of Manhattan Island, and on a very small portion of the area of Brooklyn which amounts nevertheless to about half the area of Manhattan. The exact working of this double standard should be clearly understood. The Dwellings Law requires that all new multiple residence structures built on sites, the assessed value of which, exclusive of the buildings thereon, is not more than \$2 per square foot, be deemed “Class I” buildings, and that those where the assessed value of the site is higher be “Class II,” as explained in the Commission’s report. Class I structures are restricted to a

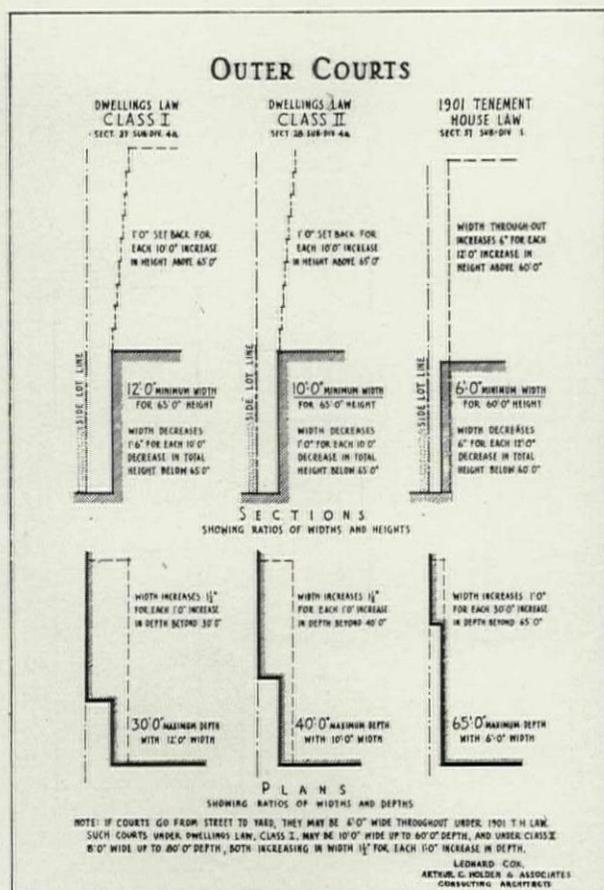
lower height and smaller area than are Class II, and they do not all enjoy the tower privilege allowed in Class I for plots of 2,800 square feet or larger. This distinction does not mean that \$2 per square foot is a theoretical dividing line for a change in standards of bulk. It is more practical than that. It means that the Commission mapped out the “unspoiled” areas of Greater New York and then took this figure as a formula which best fitted actual conditions. The outstanding fact is that throughout the Class I areas there are practically no buildings which are built up to anything like the bulk permitted for Class I. In Brooklyn, for example, practically all existing buildings in Class I area are less than five stories high. There is thus ample opportunity under the law for larger buildings and consequent increased land values in Class I area. The differences between Class I and Class II requirements are seen in these illustrations.

Another excellent feature of the Commission’s work was the enforcing of better conditions along side lot lines. This is a further step toward the ideal of separation of adjoining buildings, which has become essential in the modern city because of the introduction of the skyscraper and the increase of traffic in the streets. Indeed, in these many provisions governing bulk, mass and planning, may one not conclude that here is an almost new type of law governing buildings? It is an architectural law, instead of a construction or sanitary law, a *plan* law,

as distinct from the usual *specification* law which the average building code is;—is this not significant? To be sure, building codes and zoning laws have provisions governing plan, and this Dwellings Law, as well as its progenitor, the existing tenement house law of 1901, contains provisions requiring standards of sanitation and of fire safety. But the distinction seems sound. Its introduction is significant today, when every evidence points to a growing public demand for a more scientific coordination of buildings, one with another, and with the city plan.

One other important provision of the law deserves the sympathy of architects. That is in the further restrictions which are placed on the narrow lot of about 25 feet frontage, making more difficult its use for a skyscraper. The existing tenement house law legislated indirectly against the narrow lot to such an extent that in Manhattan and the Bronx it generally forced the abandonment of the 25-foot lot for five- and six-story tenements, at first to the despair of builders, but afterwards to their satisfaction, because they now use wide frontages, 100 feet or more, for either skyscrapers or "walk-ups." But in Brooklyn, multi-family dwellings are still built on narrow plots. On the whole, it is just as unreasonable to ask that a tall building be allowed on a narrow lot as that an automobile be run on the sidewalk!

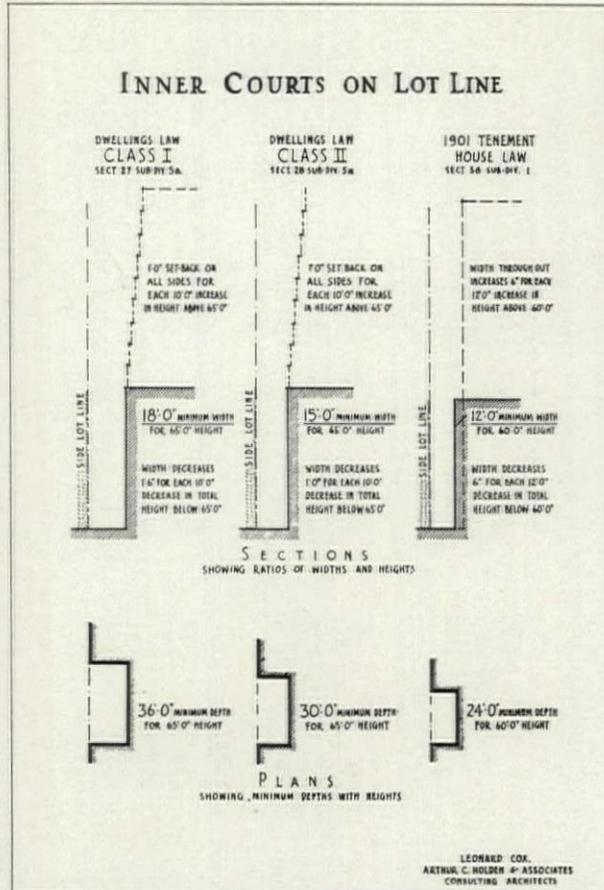
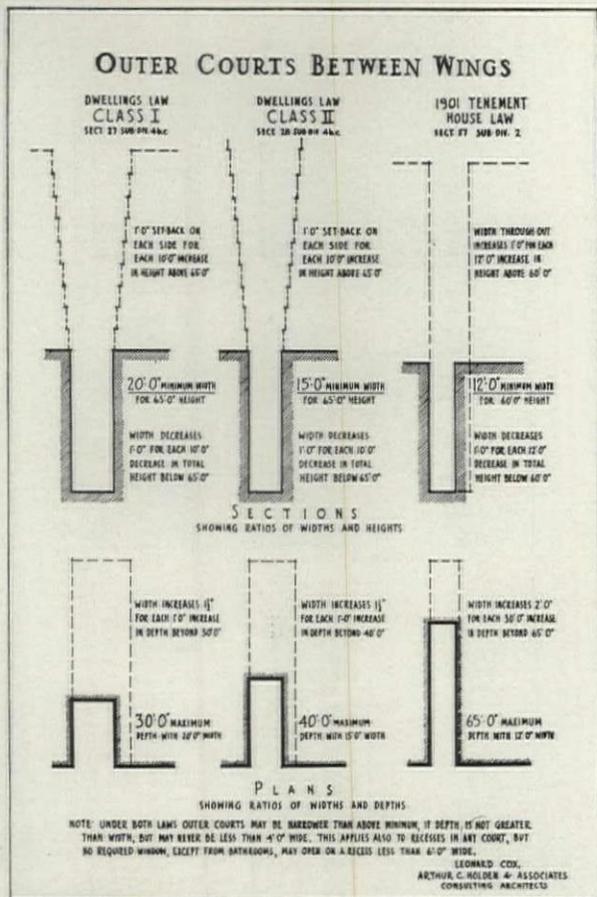
Again, let it be remembered that all these questions are fundamentally those of light and air. "Shall I develop my property at my own expense, or shall I contrive it so that I can force my neighbors to pay for it?" In England there is the law of "ancient lights" which protects a property owner in his rights to light and air, and it is said that portions of Westminster Abbey had to be set back in order to maintain the neighbors' rights. Would that a similar law could have been invoked in the United States when the skyscraper appeared! Then we should have seen this wonderful modern invention of the architect used as a blessing and not as an apple of discord! In New York, as already suggested, no one can be found to admit that he disbelieves in light and air. In fact, the tendency of both real estate promoters and of tenants is increasingly in the other direction. The difference is that the tenants are more willing to pay for it themselves. The real estate promoters, on the other hand, have engaged in a scramble for special sites where, paradoxically, the other fellow pays the bill. There are plots which are situated on street corners, or opposite parks or beside low buildings of a fairly permanent character, such as single-family houses, public structures, schools, churches, etc. But, as more and more skyscrapers appear, the number of these strategic sites grows smaller. There is increasing danger for the man who blankets his neighbor's property that his own building in turn may be blanketed or closed in. The opponents of the Dwellings Law, in alleging cases (in which they were rarely sustained) of hardships created by the new law, appeared to forget that the existing law creates infinitely more cases of damage to property.



Possible Dimensions of Outer Courts Under Proposed Law and Under Existing Law

Furthermore, the existing law was originally designed to apply to "walk-up" tenements, at a time before the skyscraper problem became acute, and consequently the coverage and court sizes prescribing for low buildings none too sufficient light and air, are impossible for skyscrapers of from two to three times that height.

There are many other provisions in the law relating to new buildings which will repay study. Complex as it is, it is admirable in being written in every line under the supervision of an architect, in co-operation with the counsel of the Commission, Harold Riegelman. The consulting architect had the criticism of other architects and many experts. As a result, the bill is free from those grotesque provisions that are now and then found in building codes, and which indicate the hands of engineers who lack knowledge of planning. Also, the bill is purposely drawn to serve as a handy manual for architects, builders and owners, instead of being merely the usual catalog of "can do" and "cannot do," which wastes so much time on a drafting table. The provisions regarding sanitation and fire safety are worth study in themselves, in their application to both new and existing buildings. Interesting facts in this connection are that 60 per cent of fires in non-fireproof buildings originate below the second floors, and that the worst hazard is a non-fireproof stair. Particularly necessary is the requirement that



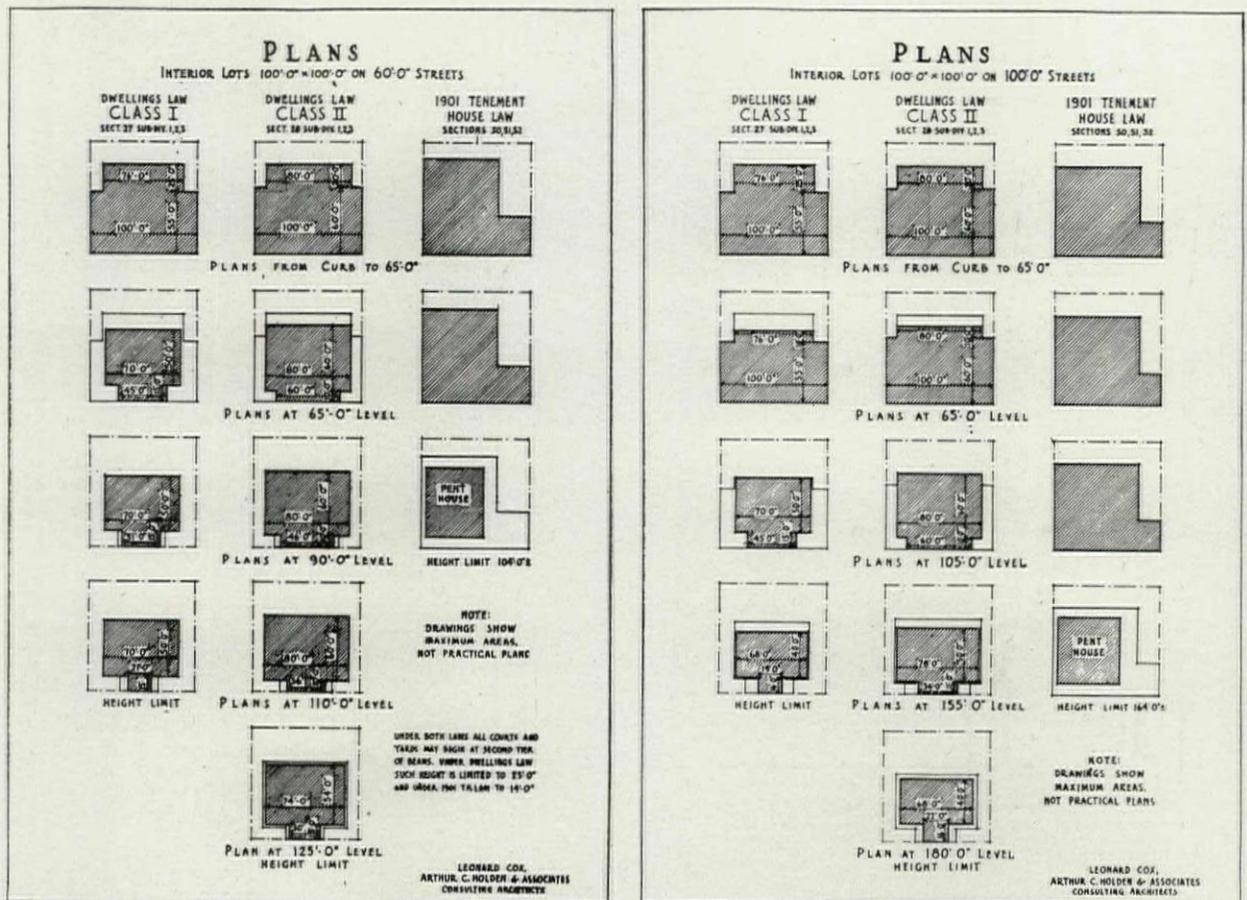
Comparison of Requirements in Regard to Sizes of Courts Demanded by Proposed and Existing Laws

frame buildings be spaced farther apart, about 12 feet as compared with the 4 to 6 feet permitted by the New York code. The result of this local practice has been to create huge areas of little frame dwellings, often of flimsy construction, equal in total area, it is said, to that of Chicago at the time of its great fire. This frame construction is located in the borough of Queens. In many cases it is without adequate fire protection, and is probably one of the worst fire hazards in the world, comparable only to Yokohama and Tokio before the recent fire and earthquake. The New York Chapter of the A. I. A. had previously publicly called the attention of the city authorities to this menace. The Mutual Association of Lumber Manufacturers approved the restriction on this hazard as preventing an illegitimate use of lumber. The underwriters also supported the law.

These portions of the law are important for architects, because in similar situations architects may find it difficult to gain the political support of other interests for improved standards for new buildings, unless they themselves are willing to take a stand in regard to structures already existing. One can readily see that such a law as the Dwellings Law, enforcing higher standards for nearly all classes of residence buildings, provoked certain real estate circles. These interests viewed the Commission as its own progeny and were shocked to find disobedience to their wishes. A small hornet's nest was stirred up,

and in the excitement it was even rumored that some architects thought they had been "stung." The result of the controversy at the time of writing is that the Commission will be continued for another year for the purpose of proving its case to the public. In nearly a hundred years of tenement house legislation in New York, no measure looking toward improvement has ever failed to be enacted. Nevertheless, the bearing of real estate opinion is important in evaluating an architectural law. In New York, the opposition developed from a small minority which had been guilty of violating or evading existing laws. Others had an interest in low standards, such as the frame construction fire hazard or ramshackle "old law" tenements. The latter were built prior to 1901, have paid for themselves, and should be scrapped.

The more powerful opposition to establishing improved standards is of a different type, coming from people holding a number of views. There are those who will not take time to examine the law carefully. Others want no change under any conditions, and object to the inconvenience of change. Judging from the approval of the new law given by a few prominent real estate men and builders, the Commission may expect to overcome this opposition in the course of a year. It should be able to prove to the more responsible real estate men that the law will give better protection to property than does the existing regulation. The Commission should be able to demon-



Maximum Plan Dimensions Allowed at Various Story Levels Under Proposed Dwellings Law and 1901 Tenement House Law

strate that not only is the rentable area of buildings as large under the Dwellings Law, but that this area has, in one way or another, greater rentability, since it is generally more desirable space, even in the lower stories. In addition, the Commission has simplified the intricate provisions of the existing tenement house bill relating to stairways, halls, elevator vestibules and other means of egress. These latter economies are appreciable, and they offset any slight increased cost of the setbacks. Most of these minor improvements which relate to new buildings are heartily approved by real estate men and builders. These considerations, however, do not entirely explain the basis of the real estate attitude. The speculative foundation under so much real estate activity is, of course, the real reason for opposition to architectural laws enforcing higher standards. It is this speculative phase which works such injury to the building industry. Excessive speculation is obsolete today in most of the American industrial, business and financial world. The trend is all the other way,—toward a solid investment basis,—and it is doubtful how long real estate can lag behind.

At any rate, the havoc wrought in New York by low standards of development is terrific, if we are to believe the statement made to *The New York Times* by Thomas Adams, the well known city

planner and city borough director of the Regional Plan of New York and Environs. "It is giving people what they want that makes buildings profitable," said Mr. Adams. "The demand today, even among the comparatively poor, is for buildings that have light, air and good sanitary conditions." Then Mr. Adams referred to the startling fact that low standards were doubtless the chief reason for the exodus of New York's population to Westchester County on the north, to Nassau County on the east, and to New Jersey across the river. In Nassau and Westchester Counties "the increase in population was, during the five-year period previous to 1925, 34.6 per cent as against 4.5 per cent" in New York, or about 8 to 1. There is plenty of room left in New York where, as the Regional Plan had previously pointed out, about 90 per cent of the population lives in about 10 per cent of the area. This is the answer to those who defend congestion in the greatest and most congested city in the world!

The zoning resolution of 1916 has done practically nothing to relieve congestion in New York. One might even argue that zoning has increased it. The Dwellings Law is perhaps the first real step toward that end. Since, at the same time it establishes better living conditions and brings back architecture into city dwellings, the law is an aid to architecture.

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

THE ARCHITECT'S POSITION IN RELATION TO MORTGAGE FINANCING

PART I. IN THE FIELD OF DWELLING CONSTRUCTION

BY

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Editor's Note. This is the first of several articles which will discuss mortgage financing for various types of buildings, and particularly the architect's functions and responsibilities in connection with this important phase of building. These articles will also set forth the general requirements on the part of mortgagees, which have been developed as a result of experience in this type of financing.

THE use of mortgage financing for residential projects of all types has become so general within the past few years that practically no dwelling is built without the provision of a large proportion of the necessary funds through such channels. In fact, it may be said that probably 75 per cent of the total amount expended for new dwelling construction is originally derived from mortgage sources of various types. This includes, of course, first and second mortgages, or, as the terms are often used today, "senior" and "junior" financing.

For a great many years mortgage financing in the residential field was somewhat haphazard in its nature, mortgages being obtained usually from individuals or from savings banks, estates or institutions. The last two decades, however, have seen a sound and scientific development of this function of mortgage financing for residences. There have been established, often with very rapid growth, banking institutions having as their sole function the provision of mortgage money for the residential field. These include not only building and loan associations, but divisions or offshoots of title guarantee or trust companies and also real estate bond houses whose function it is to secure money from the public for use in this manner. The older types of mortgage sources, such as savings banks and insurance companies, have developed their departments to such a degree that in some cases a great many million dollars are loaned annually by individual organizations. In addition to these large individual loaning sources, we find that the organizations which specialize in building and permanent loans for residences have grown in some cases to such sizes that thousands of homes are financed annually through individual companies. As might be expected, this tremendous extension of mortgage financing has brought with it exhaustive economic study on the part of those who are interested in the subject, and particularly by those who are investing their money in this manner.

Before going into this phase of the subject, it might be well to deviate for a moment in order to describe briefly the more or less standardized existing sources and methods through which money is obtained for the purpose of financing residential construction. The various forms in which senior or first mortgage financing is obtained include straight building and permanent loans, which are placed on

the property for a definite period of years, usually three or five, and the amortizing type of first mortgage which is reduced periodically until it is paid off or replaced by a straight loan. The most usual form of amortizing first mortgages is typified by the financing which is provided through building and loan associations. As a general rule, the owner of the house pays 1 per cent of the face value of the loan each month. By doing this, the interest and principal of the mortgage are completely paid in approximately eleven years and seven months. Other types of amortizing mortgages have no standard rate of payment, but are simply developed through individual agreements between owners and mortgage sources, and can be arranged to meet the owners' personal financial situations.

The junior financing or second mortgage phase of a home-building operation is usually developed in one of three ways: (1) by a direct second mortgage loan, established for a given period of years (usually expiring when the first mortgage does); (2) by a second mortgage, provided through an arrangement with the building contractor; or (3) as is often done, when part or the whole of the purchase price of the land is subordinated to the first mortgage and takes the form of a second mortgage. Most second mortgages are today placed on an amortizing basis to be reduced by easy payments over a period of a few years. This entire junior financing market is entirely disorganized, or it might be more correct to say that it has never been organized. For some reason it has received practically none of the careful study which has been given to senior financing. As a result, the second mortgage field presents many dangerous factors. It abounds with evil practices in which shrewdness and unscrupulous manipulation in many instances threaten the home owner with direct loss of his money, if not of the property itself. Because there are no organized methods of second mortgage financing, and few if any recognized channels for the clean handling of this important phase, it is difficult to obtain junior financing except by the payment of high premiums, and there is also a constant traffic in the discounting of second mortgages, which as a rule the contractor or the speculative builder figures in as part of the cost in the building of homes.

The customary sources through which first mortgage money for home-building is obtained include primarily savings banks, insurance companies, title guarantee companies, trust companies, real estate loaning institutions, estates, and individuals. The amortizing type of first mortgage is primarily obtained from building and loan associations which function also as savings banks for prospective home-

builders who wish to accumulate part of the necessary investment before actually beginning building operations. Some of the real estate loaning institutions offer various types of amortizing first mortgages, and because of the amortization feature, it is usually possible to obtain a larger loan in proportion to the value of the property. With this general background in mind, it soon becomes apparent that the more scientifically mortgage financing is administered in the residential field, the more important becomes the architect's relationship and his responsibility. Many of the established loaning institutions or sources have come to realize that they must to a considerable degree control both the *quality* and the *design* of the buildings which are to become collateral for mortgage loans. The customary first mortgage loan is approximately 60 per cent of the appraised value of land and building, while through second mortgage channels from 15 per cent to 20 per cent more of the cost may be borrowed. Thus if a project carries both a first and a second mortgage, the owner as a rule will have only 25 per cent or less of the cost as his immediate equity.

Obviously, it is really the loaning institution which pays the bills for materials and labor, for architects' fees and contractors' profits. It is but natural, therefore, that many of the loaning institutions have developed departments or employed supervising architects to check carefully the plans and specifications submitted in connection with mortgage applications. Here is where the architect of the individual project enters very importantly into the financing picture. If his plans are efficient in character, representing sound, economical construction methods, and if his specifications present a selection of materials which seem to insure permanency and low maintenance cost, it is quite apparent that when the mortgage company makes an appraisal, the home owner will receive much more favorable financial consideration and will be able to carry out his project with a smaller cash investment. An examination of the records of mortgage companies will show a great many instances where mortgage loans have been refused because plans were impractical or specifications were not drawn in a manner which would insure good construction. After all, the ultimate real estate valuation of a completed project and the likelihood of its maintaining a consistent, good market value must be highly important from the point of view of those who provide mortgage money. Not only must the property hold its position in competition with other dwellings which may be offered for sale in the immediate neighborhood, but it must be of a character which is readily salable, so that it will not enter the so-called "white elephant" class of dwellings on which past experience has shown extensive losses, not only for owners but for mortgagees.

In designing dwellings for individual owners or for speculative builders, the architect in modern practice is usually called upon to have a clear under-

standing of mortgage financing methods and to assist the owner in obtaining favorable financing. In fact, in many instances today the architect performs the financing function and finds it to be a valuable part of his service. If he designs many houses, he soon becomes well known, at least to local loaning institutions. It is not an unusual experience to hear bankers make the statement that on houses designed by certain architects, they will readily give higher appraisals and make loans perhaps 10 per cent greater. This is because they know through experience that the particular architects in question plan efficiently and build well. In other words, they know how to create collateral better than the average. Most architects probably know by experience that the average home-building client is not familiar with mortgage sources or mortgage methods. As a result, the business aspect of many of these projects is not good as originally established by the home-builder. Often it turns out that the home-builder has not sufficient money to provide the necessary equity, and if the architect understands local mortgage financing, he may be able to rearrange the situation so that the project may proceed instead of being abandoned or held in abeyance until the owner finds himself better situated financially.

There are at least three ways in which the architect benefits directly through the development of knowledge of this kind. He gains an enviable prestige, not only with financing institutions but in real estate and local home-building circles, so that such knowledge often brings in commissions which he would not otherwise obtain. He will find that local real estate operators and real estate brokers appreciate business-like administration on the part of the architect, and that they are much oftener ready to work with an architect who combines knowledge of both design and the business phase of a residential project than with one who must be constantly checked from this angle. It is also often the case that mortgage institutions will recommend architects because they have developed appreciation of the architects' business-like service as well as of their designing ability.

It should, of course, be apparent that no one expects the architect to have an intimate, detailed knowledge of mortgage rates, discounts, and the other technicalities of this type of financing. If he possesses such knowledge, it is of great value, but the type of knowledge and experience which is really desirable in this connection involves primarily technicalities of design and construction. In other words, the architect's function is to design a project in a manner which will be consistent with the requirements of those who are expected to loan money for the operation. For this reason, it may be of interest to review briefly some of these requirements as they have been expressed from time to time by those in charge of the appraisal or technical departments of loaning institutions.

When a mortgage application covering a home-

building project is brought to one of the modern types of mortgagees, the first consideration is usually given to the location of the property and the physical evaluation of the land. There are certain districts as affected by neighborhood conditions which are considered much more favorably by loaning institutions than others. The general environment is important; the trend of local development is considered; the existence of community facilities and mechanical improvements such as water, sewer, gas, electricity, etc., is thoroughly examined; the physical condition of the land is analyzed, together with local real estate valuations. In more than one instance architects have taken part in this and rendered important service to clients. Just because a client happens to own a given plot of land on which he intends to build a residence does not mean that he *should* build there. It may be that unfavorable local conditions exist or are developing. It may be that the location or the physical aspects of the particular plot are not suitable for the type of house which the client prefers. It is, therefore, quite possible that through the architect's suggestion a change of site may be found practical and desirable, and in this manner the project may be made much more readily subject to favorable mortgage financing.

The next consideration is given to the plans of the house. Here is where an extremely careful study is made primarily to eliminate two dangerous factors,—first, waste space which is uneconomical from the point of view of both owner and mortgagee, and, second, impractical building construction conditions as imposed by the plan. Here is where an architect has an opportunity to display both ingenuity and practical knowledge, because if the plan is efficient, a much more favorable appraisal will be rendered, and if it is not efficient, the mortgage application may be refused or the amount granted may be considerably less than the owner wishes to obtain. After the plans have been thoroughly analyzed, the element of design is given consideration, not from the æsthetic point of view but primarily from the *market* aspect. Is the house designed in such a manner that it will appeal to the type of prospective purchaser to whom it might ultimately be offered for sale? Is it designed in a manner suitable for its environment, and does the design offer a balanced ratio with probable construction costs? In other words, mortgage lenders realize that there may be waste or increased construction cost imposed not only in the plans of a house but also in its general design. If it is over-elaborate or if it calls for details which are inconsistently expensive, it will not make a favorable impression at the time when the loan is being considered.

After the plan and the general design have each received careful analysis, the next, and one of the most important considerations, is the question of specifications. Here as a rule the requirements of mortgage lenders are becoming constantly more stringent and more definite. The value of various

building materials and types of equipment is known today and can be measured accurately. Manufacturers have done much to educate not only architects, contractors and owners, but also those who are interested in loaning mortgage money as to the merits of various materials. The particular points of interest include permanency and low maintenance cost as primary factors. The dwelling that soon begins to require replacements and shows comparatively rapid deterioration naturally does not constitute good collateral for mortgage loans. The banker is interested in the owner's ability to pay his interest, his amortization payments, and ultimately the principal of the mortgage, and he knows that if a dwelling is costly from the maintenance and depreciation point of view, the owner is in a less favorable position to keep up his payments. He knows, too, that even the quality of appearances after a few years has much to do with the appraised value of the property, and if a dwelling begins to look shabby and to show the need of repairs, thousands of dollars may drop off its market value. For this reason, the architect's specifications are in most cases quite thoroughly analyzed before the mortgage loan is made, and while some lending institutions may take the trouble to suggest changes in plan and in specifications, many of them will simply turn down the application or offer a smaller amount of money without any special explanation of the reasons. Specifications are, of course, analyzed also from the point of view of construction cost. The materials and equipment used should in the main be consistent with the general cost of the house. It is, of course, permissible for the owner to exercise his own judgment in the use of comparatively luxurious appointments, but these will gain very little recognition in the general appraisal of the dwelling, except where they might be in the nature of unusually good mechanical equipment, which has a definite utility value and which might function as an additional factor of value in the ultimate sale of the property.

It must be quite apparent that the architect in his service exercises a very definite relationship with mortgage financing, because in practically each division of appraisal, his function has its place and his work will meet with approval or disapproval. It must be remembered also that in appraising the value of property, those who are making an analysis in the way described in this article must sum up the total favorable and unfavorable points in relation to the land and its treatment, the house and its design, the plans and the specifications. The final total sum of impressions and facts forms the basis of the appraisal itself, and there may be a variation of thousands of dollars between two dwellings of equal cubic footage. Making the most of this variation is the architect's responsibility, and it is for this reason that he should thoroughly understand how mortgage appraisals are made and should constantly think of this ultimate test when he is developing each part of a project.

THE BUILDING SITUATION

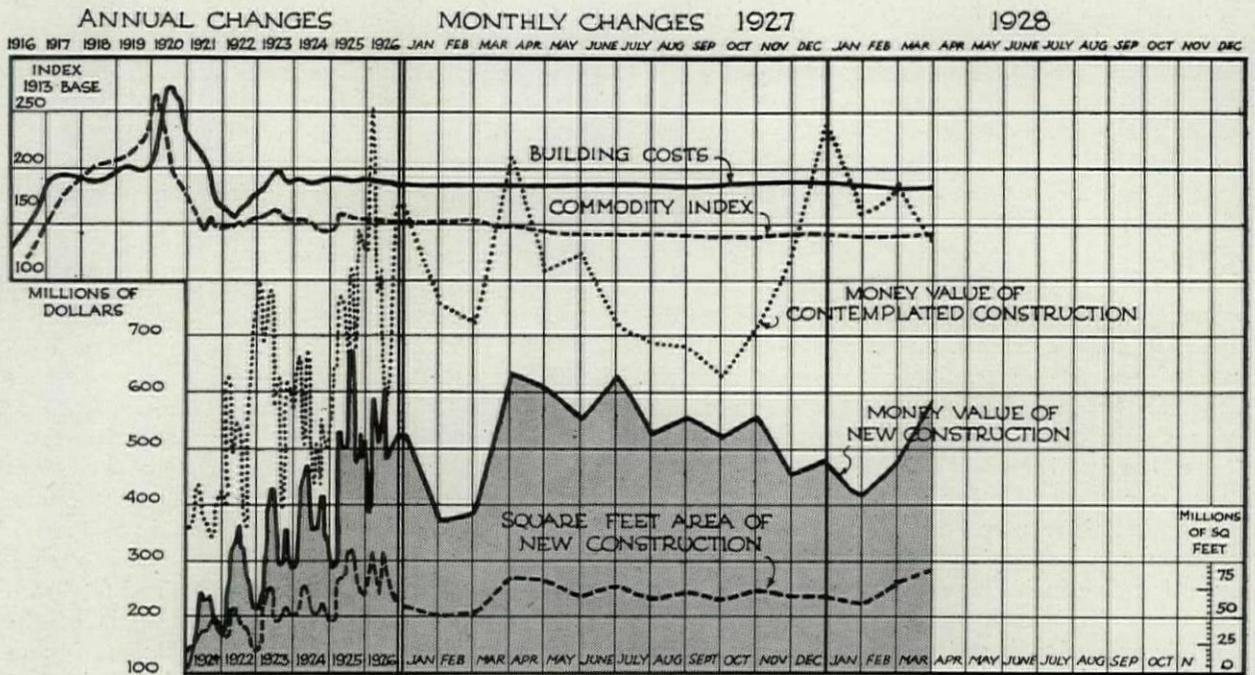
A MONTHLY REVIEW OF COSTS AND CONDITIONS

IN spite of many predictions to the contrary, construction activity for the year 1928 has opened in record-breaking volume which bids fair to continue for at least the first half of the year. According to figures of the F. W. Dodge Corporation covering the 37 states east of the Rocky Mountains, there were contracts let for new construction during the first quarter of this year to the amount of \$1,485,067,000, which is an increase of approximately 6 per cent over the amount of building started in the first quarter of the year 1927. This figure also represents the highest first quarter record ever established in the 37 Eastern states. A glance at the chart included here would indicate graphically the comparison of activity between this and other first quarters, and it becomes obvious that the year 1928 will add another record volume to the construction history of the last four years.

The new work contemplated, as indicated by plans filed, during the month of March, is considerably lower than the figure for March of 1927. The types of buildings for which plans have been filed are somewhat different and include a much larger number of institutional and commercial projects with a definite decrease in the amount of speculative building of both apartments and residences. On the other

hand, the amount of building by owners for their own occupancy in the residential field is evidently increasing this year as compared with the 1927 figures. Contracts let during March amounted to \$592,567,000, 46 per cent for residential buildings, 19 per cent for public works and utilities, 12 per cent for commercial buildings, and 6 per cent for educational projects.

Considering the plans which were filed for new construction in the month of March, as compared with March of 1927, we find these territorial changes which perhaps offer some basis for predicting trend of activity in the various districts. New York state and northern New Jersey show a 16 per cent gain in plans filed as compared with March, 1927. The New England States show an increase of 32 per cent; the Middle Atlantic States show a loss of 44 per cent; the Pittsburgh district shows a gain of 35 per cent over the contemplated record of March, 1927. In the Central Western States there is a loss of 44 per cent; in the Northwest a loss of 22 per cent; in the Southeastern States a drop of 54 per cent, and in Texas a drop of 35 per cent. It is probable that part of the unusual activity of the first quarter has been the result of an effort to let contracts early in order to partially avoid the usual spring buying activity.



THESSE various important factors of change in the building situation are recorded in the chart given here: (1) *Building Costs*. This includes the cost of labor and materials; the index point is a composite of all available reports in basic materials and labor costs under national averages. (2) *Commodity Index*. Index figure determined by the United States Department of Labor. (3) *Money Value of Contemplated Construction*. Value of building for which plans have been filed based on reports of the United States Chamber of Commerce, F. W. Dodge Corp., and *Engineering News-Record*. (4) *Money Value of New Construction*. Total valuation of all contracts actually let. The dollar scale is at the left of the chart in millions. (5) *Square Foot Area of New Construction*. The measured volume of new buildings. The square foot measure is at the right of the chart. The variation of distances between the value and volume lines represents a square foot cost, which is determined, first by the trend of building costs, and second, by the quality of construction.

PLANNING GROUP HOUSES FOR RENT

BY
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WE have seen, illustrated in our professional journals, numberless fine examples of residence architecture,—in plan, with exterior and interior views,—permanent homes of happy and (occasionally, perhaps) satisfied owners. Why not attempt further to endow with the same taste and completeness the homes of the great number, who of necessity must rent? When we erect a building to rent we are in a position akin to that of a merchant investing in a stock of merchandise, for we must please the public fancy and also make profit in the transaction. The one great point of difference, however, is the fact that the merchant may vary his next order in whole or in part through his knowledge gained by the previous sale and owing to any change in the trend of public desire. The builder, however, must so present his merchandise of land, buildings, and equipment that it will meet with the approval of the clientele for which his building is designed, not only one year but for each year during the expected life of the structure. It is, of course, assumed that the responsibility of the builder is not to be transferred to some unfortunate investor after the first group has tenanted the building!

For the purpose of analyzing this problem, we might consider the most usual type of building investment,—that of multiple housing, and a more specific and not as widely treated subject, that of the semi-detached dwelling,—the suburban brother (or sister) of the urban apartment house. The particular group used to illustrate this text was not chosen because of merit in the solution of the problem, but because it represents the average solving of the prob-

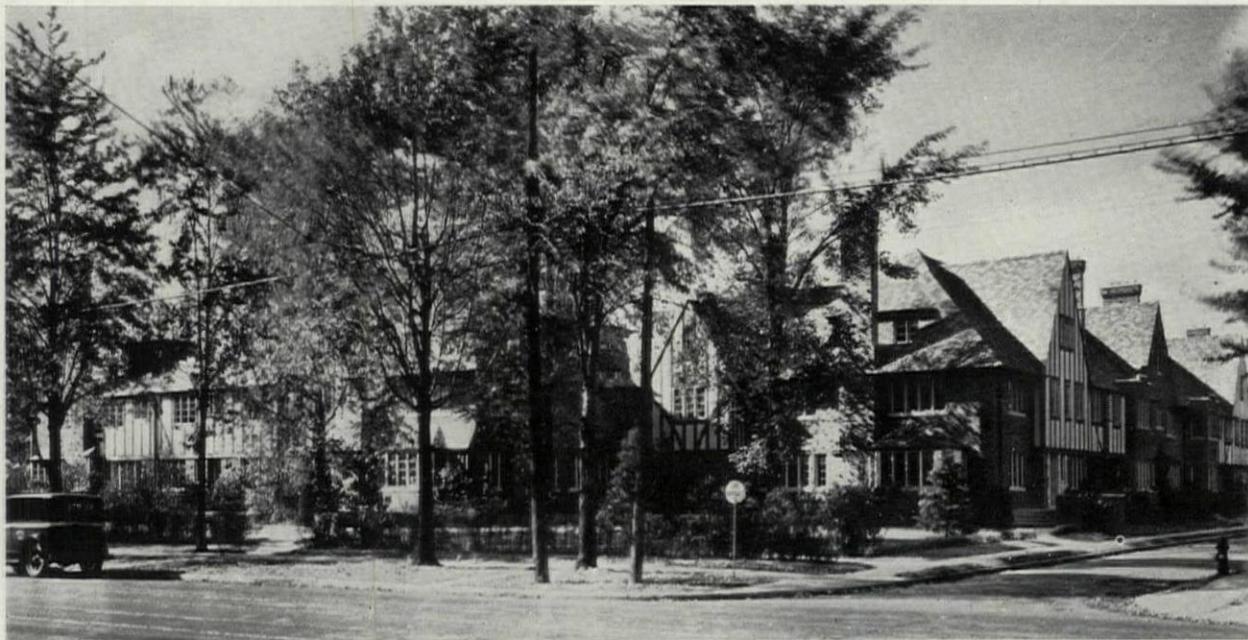
lem facing the investment builder. The questions which the author attempts to answer are not indigenous to any special location. The problem of financing will not be touched upon except to say that buildings erected as outlined here will, perhaps, bear a closer investigation and warrant a more favorable loan than those in which these apparently obvious, but often neglected, points have been overlooked or treated in a careless manner. Principal and interest must be paid from earnings, which in turn come from satisfied occupants. The three main divisions in order of procedure are: (1) choice of location; (2) plan and arrangement; (3) material and equipment.

Choice of Location. As the buildings illustrated would cost approximately the same in any part of a given area suited to their clientele, it is evident that a good location will complete a good scheme, or a poor location make good buildings unrentable. Assuming that an approximate decision has been made on the total amount to be invested, and a portion allotted to the purchase of a site, these details should be considered:

(a) *Permanence.* Is the adjacent property of suitable character and likely to remain so?

(b) *Competition.* The site should be selected to give the group a decided advantage over any similar project that might be contemplated in the neighborhood. An effort should be made to obtain property facing a park or open space, or with a decided advantage in regard to view.

(c) *Accessibility.* The site must be chosen with due regard to transportation facilities, street car service



Group of Fourteen Semi-Detached Houses, Detroit

Richard H. Marr, Architect



The Garages are Grouped Together

and good roads, streets or boulevards for motorists.

(d) *Good address.* The appeal of a fine, accepted residence avenue has a decided advantage over a short, unimportant street.

Plan and Arrangement. The great amount of con-

temporary material made available through advertising in the architectural press should assist one in developing almost any given type of plan. Bear in mind, however, that too great a difference in rentals in the same building is not advisable. Do not attempt to get a few extra dollars by putting mediocre or small apartments adjacent to those for which a considerably larger rental is asked. There are several considerations in regard to plan that are very important. A plan should be as direct and simple as possible. This not only saves in construction costs, but usually improves both the appearance and the utility of the rooms. The shapes of the rooms should be considered very carefully to make sure there is available space for the usual furniture of the people to whom the house will be rented. Rugs come in various more or less standardized sizes and will not fit well in rooms of unusual proportions or odd shapes.

Windows should be so placed as to not only admit ample light and air, but to leave adequate wall spaces at the corners of the rooms for the placing of furniture. Weather-stripping of the windows is often a very desirable feature. Some operators have found that the use of glass admitting the ultra-violet rays of the sun is very desirable in sun-rooms or certain of the south rooms, if possible. It is well to consult the booklet of the United States Bureau of Standards in making the choice of such glass in order to make sure that the glass specified really admits enough ultra-violet light to be worth while. It is



Street Front of Group, Showing Variation in Exterior Design

naturally necessary to keep the service entrances well separated from the main entrances of the houses, and to make sure that the service entrance for one house does not come close to the main entrance of another. It is well to build in as few equipment cases, etc. as possible, except in the kitchen. The individual taste of tenants is too varied to make much built-in furniture usable, and the unused bookshelves of the tenant who has no books are depressing as well as useless. The planning and equipment of the kitchen constitute one of the greatest factors in renting houses, as the mistress of the menage usually scrutinizes this very carefully and is a competent judge of the working efficiency of the kitchen plan and arrangement. The provisions in regard to servants' rooms should be commensurate with the living standards of the tenants. One must consider, also, the paths of travel of servants in order to plan for their work with as little interruption or contact with the household as possible.

In group houses built for renting it may be economical to have a central heating plant for the group. However, if there is any likelihood of the houses being sold separately, it is well to provide a separate heating plant for each house. Garage space must be provided for each tenant, and it is sometimes well to provide an extra garage or two for the use of guests of the tenants or for the use of the tenant who uses two or more cars. In the case of an apartment that rents for \$300 or more a month, the family frequently needs space for two cars. On



An Attractive Entrance Motif

the general plan it is desirable to have a play yard or recreation space for young children, area well separated from the street in order to avoid accidents. Provision for the welfare of children is an important item in suburban groups of this kind. It is advisable



Excellence of Design Enhances Rental Values

to provide a play room in the basement of each house or over the garage. The newer types of heating plants and the cleaner fuels often make possible the use of the basement as a play or recreation room.

Materials and Equipment. The choice of the materials for the exterior should be made with due consideration of maintenance cost as well as of first cost. Choose, if possible, materials which will age gracefully and which are not drab in color. The attractiveness of the exterior is the first factor influencing the prospective tenant, and first impressions are very often lasting. By all means, avoid use of the theatrical and the sham. This does not mean that color should not be used. It should be, but used with taste and restraint to make the houses attractive.

The equipment of the building is most important. The innovations and so-called luxuries of five years ago have become the necessities of today. It is well to introduce as many modern notes (of tested merit) as the rental will allow, as these items are desirable from the renting agent's point of view. A list of such equipment to be considered and specified, if possible, should include:

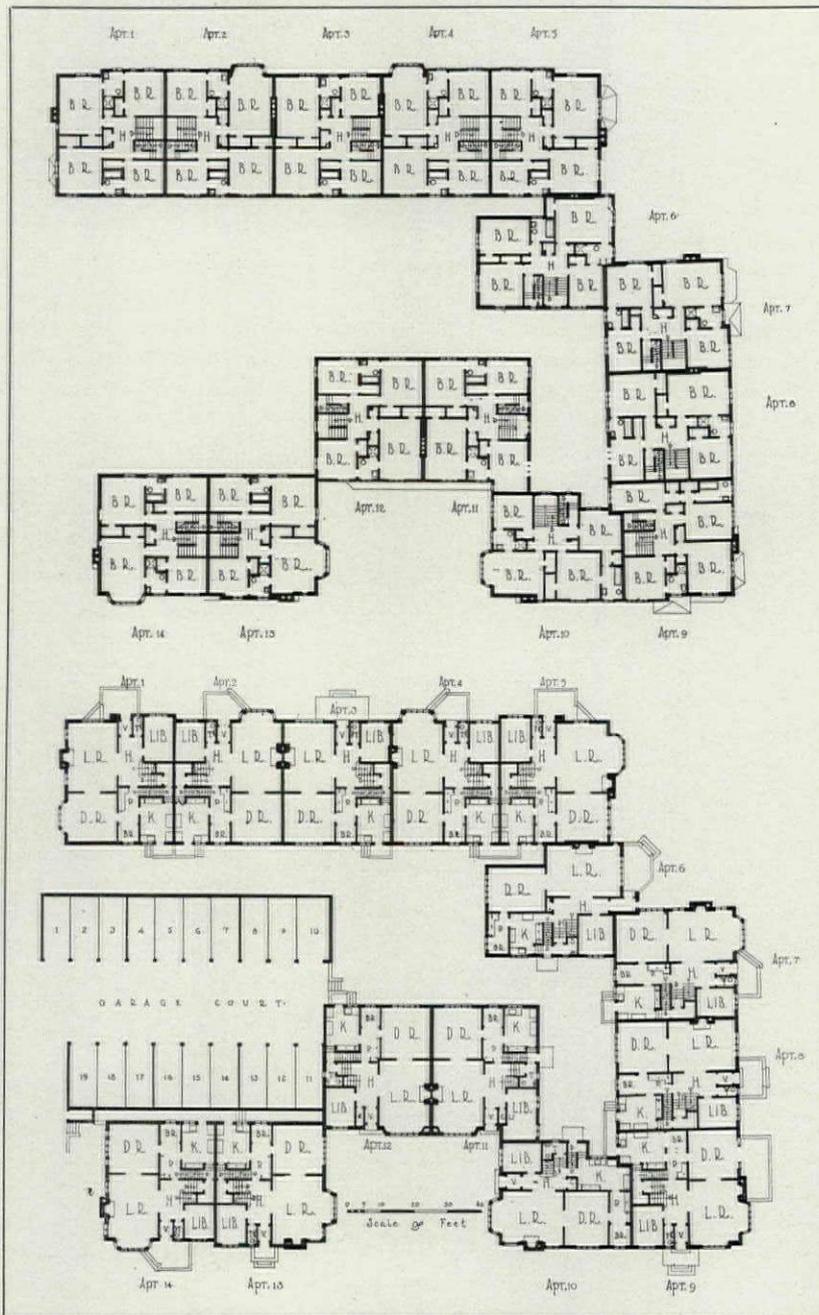
- Mechanical refrigeration.
- Thermostatic heat control.
- Provisions for mechanical equipment,—washers, mangle, dryer, etc.
- Resilient floors in kitchens.
- Dining alcove furniture.
- Ironing board provisions.

Built-in bathroom accessories.
Color in bathrooms,—tile and fixtures.

Cedar closets, etc., etc.

Ample electric outlets, including power outlets for cooking equipment, laundry equipment or electric heaters should be installed. Careful consideration must be given to the placing of base plugs to make them useful in connection with various arrangements of furniture. The wiring should be done with radio connections in mind. If these are provided in the initial wiring, unsightly and dangerous make-shifts will not be put up by the tenants. After all, this may seem to be a bromidic prescription, but it is the author's belief that a thorough study of the buildings most easily rentable and those most successfully operated will reveal the fact that most of the features enumerated here have been incorporated in the structures.

It is necessary for the architect to bear in mind constantly the desires and needs of the class of people who will be the tenants, rather than his own personal prejudices or desires. The owner of the development is usually informed in these matters, as he is in close touch with the local renting conditions and understands the requirements. The architect can fulfill these needs economically and efficiently and add his own good taste. He will always find that the requirements can be met without outraging good taste and good architectural design. It is his function to be the guide.



Plans of Group Illustrated
Richard H. Marr, Architect

THE ARCHITECT AS CONSTRUCTOR

BY

WILFRED W. BEACH, ARCHITECT

THE present building boom in our larger cities has brought such a satisfying amount of business into the offices of most of the country's architects that it seems quite unnecessary to even suggest a question as to what tomorrow may bring forth. Yet the "tomorrow" of architecture is what most interests the younger men in the profession. Is the architectural practice of the future to mean a continuation of methods now in vogue, or will it be vastly different? If different, wherein will lie the variation? Architecture and building are so fundamentally interlocked that it is quite obvious that a change of procedure in either calling is bound to affect the other. Hence a study of the evolution of either must, perforce, be accompanied by due consideration of the progress of the other.

When our nation was young, it harbored few architects; and still fewer of those who called themselves such were worthy of the appellation, as is amply evidenced by such of their drawings as are still in existence, notably those submitted in competition for the capitol at Washington. For many years, construction work of the young republic was handled by four classes of individuals: (1) the architect, *per se*, more or less as of today, but of a quite limited sphere; (2) the "surveyor," forerunner of the modern engineer; (3) the "undertaker," who bid upon and undertook the construction of the concepts of the two first named; and (4) lastly, the "architect and builder," generally a country carpenter, by whom was performed the major portion of the building of that day.

Some have described the present-day architect as an outgrowth, the fruit, so to speak, of this latter group, but that seems hardly fair,—true only to a very limited extent. Rather, we of today are really the logical successors to those pioneers who lighted the way with a few conspicuous monuments which still remain, speaking evidences of their truth and sincerity. The "architect and builder" was more than likely to drop the first part of his title, thus becoming the "general contractor" of our day. And how have we architects kept our heritage? We elders have seen architecture expand from a comparatively simple affair of foundations, walls, floors and roofs to the present highly involved creation involving a vast multitude of things, many of which were unknown even to our immediate predecessors. We readily accept as axiomatic the assertion that it is humanly impossible for any single one of the *genus homo* to completely master *all* the intricacies of a large modern building,—but does each of us go as far as he may?

Thirty-five years ago the architect was undisputed "boss of the works." Does he occupy the same pedestal today? Then, no building project of any

consequence, aside from the single item of bridges, was essayed until an architect had first been retained to design it and direct its construction. The complete architectural organization included men with sufficient knowledge of construction and the mechanical trades to design framing, heating, plumbing and wiring, in addition to the more æsthetic features of external appearance. But there came other architects, also of the first rank as to design and ethical status, whose practice did not warrant, or who did not choose to give, steady employment to men of exclusive engineering attainments. These architects found groups of engineers prepared to offer such service to all comers,—and the line of least resistance was readily pursued. Soon it came about that such engineering concerns were learning to solicit direct the designing of factories and warehouses, buildings which did not appear to demand embellishment,—"architecture," as by some considered. Next in the progression was the employment by such engineers of architectural designers, where these were demanded, to supply a needed touch to the otherwise simple mass. Whether the modern engineer has graduated from the ranks of the old time land surveyor and bridge designer or whether he is a direct offshoot of our own profession, makes little difference. He has become a powerful factor to be reckoned with in the acquisition of new business. To the small city practitioner this defection of industrial construction has not been of much moment. Whether such work be carried out by a distant city architect or engineering "specialist" worries him not at all,—it is not his funeral. Smaller fry "have smaller fleas to bite 'em."

For instance, there was a time when the stable "pot boiler" of the small office was the country home, costing from \$5,000 to \$10,000. The planning of these carried no direct profit,—even at a fee higher than the American Institute's minimum,—but they enabled the town architect to steady his small organization, and they increased the circle of his clientele. Much of this business has gone by the board with the inauguration of the Architects Small House Service Bureau. Presumably, this service has filled a "long felt want," so one must not quarrel with it. It merely takes its place with others among those things which have to do with the changes in office practice that have been and are still going on. True, the actual number of houses built from the Bureau's working drawings is probably proportionately small; but these drawings have furnished inspiration for countless others,—copies of which can be had at any lumber yard,—and which, by the way, are vast improvements over the comparative few that were in existence before an organization of architects added to the marketing of ready-made drawings and plans.

But the growth in the influence of the engineer and the influence of the ready-made plan on the volume of work in architects' offices pales to insignificance when compared with the steady advance into our field of the modern general contractor. This entity, formerly a willing and earnest bidder for the architect's favors and working under his supervision, has now become a most formidable rival in the securing of business direct from the owner; getting, in short, the planning of the work in order to be sure of getting its construction. Frank N. Watson, Secretary-manager of the Dallas Associated General Contractors, deals candidly with this situation. He speaks quite frankly of the demoralizing effect on building in general of the operations of the shyster and the novice in both architecture and contracting, and repeats the oft-reiterated complaint against awarding building construction by competitive bidding. He further says: "In too many instances, even the architect who appreciates his professional obligation permits himself to be over-ridden by the demands of the owner, and stands idle while the owner indulges in the common pastime of 'whip sawing' the three low contractors, or disregards his own interests by buying construction on price alone." This we all admit, and we also know to our sorrow that "entirely too many contractors, who make claim to skill, integrity and responsibility, are bidding for the profit instead of for the contract and are giving their 'subs' and 'dealers' the same or worse treatment than they complain of on the part of the owner and architect."

Well, why shouldn't they? If we consider only those offices which have never mistreated a contractor nor permitted a client to do so, can we find therein any fundamental reason that should lead a contractor to make a building better, simply for the love of that building? No, that is the sole privilege of the architect! The contractor is to make the building good because he is compelled to do so and for no other reason. In fact, he could not be depended upon to make it good without being hedged about with restrictions that prevent his doing otherwise. Such is the being created by our building contract. Nevertheless, our practice is so predicated on the custom of competitive-bidding contracting that we remain its sponsor and will probably continue to do so. We do not willingly try to educate the owner to other methods. We know full well that there are no ethical standards in such a game, and we write our specifications and contracts accordingly. Then, after the contracts are let, we accept the post of paid detectives and try to keep the contractor straight. Do we keep him so? Mr. Watson believes (and it is probably quite too true) that "any experienced contractor will admit that the leeway between good and bad afforded the contractor by the ordinary set of plans and specifications is not seriously impaired by architectural supervision; that the unscrupulous contractor, or even the ordinary honest contractor, faced with a possible loss through a price-competition, forced bid, can find many ways to skimp his work,

—giving construction that will pass the eye of the average inspector, but not giving the owner the quality he wants or thinks he is getting." This from the contractors themselves! But, suppose a builder of character and commensurate reputation has opportunity to serve a friend who wishes to build and wants him to do the work? "Even then," Mr. Watson complains, "by reason of the fact that our industry cherishes a taboo that design and construction are inviolably separate, the contractor must turn the prospective owner over to an architect who cherishes the same taboo, and the project usually ends in the same old free-for-all competition, and 'price' emerges the victor."

Discouraging this, for a builder who has the interest of a prospective client at heart and who steers him to a good architect. Why shouldn't he instead, if his initial hold on the owner be sufficiently strong, hire a good designer (away from some architect, if necessary) and execute the whole work as he knows it should be done and in a way that he and the owner may both take pride in? That's exactly what he's doing today,—and he's going to do it more and more often as the days go by. "Truth endures",—perhaps more fully in architecture than in some other fundamentals. Are we building with truth when we make use of unworthy vehicles, questionable materials and unrighteous intents? Competitive-bidding contracting is a relic of the day of *caveat emptor*. Why should the architectural profession collectively strive to maintain that iniquitous slogan when all the better class commercial world is seeking to place all business on a higher plane? Is it not natural for the business of building to follow suit, in spite of the architect? Then may we expect Mr. Watson's conclusion: "But, in the main, future construction work will be handled by firms which unite in one organization the functions now separately performed by architects or engineers and contractors."

Who may this entity of the future be, who is thus to combine the former distinct functions of architect and builder? Obviously, at the start, it is whoever first occupies the field. To an alarming extent, we find the contractor already there. But, is the field rightfully his? To a very large degree, his ability to sell his services in the dual capacity has been aided and abetted by a most powerful ally,—his willingness to finance, as well as to design and build the projected structure. It is in this line of endeavor that the large builder, operating his own architectural and engineering departments, has found the greenest pastures,—the ripest fields. Such a concern, functioning through a reciprocal agreement with a powerful bond house, wields a potential lever under that unassigned project. Even if the tradition be observed and an independent architect be favored, his retention is by sufferance of the builder, over whom he exercises no control whatever. If architects are to compete with this formidable protagonist, they must either equip themselves accordingly or find other points of advantage to aid them

in securing the business. It is very largely a selling proposition, pure and simple; a setting forth of the qualifications of the seller of services. To begin with, the architect finds himself possessed of one worth-while asset which connotes a corresponding weakness in the armor of his rival; he is a subscriber to a well defined code of ethics. No matter what one may think about this or that particular architect who is alleged to have side-stepped the code, the fact remains that the public has a sufficient respect for the standard of business dealings of the profession at large to hold such a transgressor to be an out-and-out crook, whereas a contractor may do those same things and worse, and be regarded merely as a shrewd business man.

Naturally, the architect's most ready entry into the construction field is by means of some form of cost-plus building. The solicitation of building construction without a guarantee of cost presupposes the highest type of salesmanship,—and architects pride themselves on being poor salesmen. They,—the best of them,—are sometimes heard to say that they never went out after a commission. Well, be that as it may, this article must be for those others who are willing and eager to expand; whose joy in the conception of an appropriate design can best be completed by the greater inspiration of the actual creation of the thing of materials enduring, that shall make the ideal real. Nor need such a one be deterred by Mr. Watson's showing of the scant profits in building construction. After saying that "statistics recently compiled from data in the Bureau of Internal Revenue show the average profit of general contractors to be only 2.1 per cent," he adds his impression that, if consideration were given also to those whose business was insufficient to demand a government return, "the 2.1 per cent is certainly 50 per cent high." That is, he thinks the average profit might be about 1.4 per cent.

But we need not reckon with these smaller fry, as they are proverbially poor business men, the majority being "carried" by the local lumber yards which reap the real profit, secure behind the mechanics' lien laws. Even the 2.1 per cent makes little if, as is generally figured, it depends on volume of business. A contractor with \$50,000 capital can readily handle \$2,000,000 worth of work a year, on which 2.1 per cent figures \$42,000,—not a bad return on the investment. But, in cost-plus building, where there are no losses to be charged off, and where the actual capital needed is proportionately less (say about 1 per cent of the gross business), the profits are, as for other forms of service, more of a return on energy expended than on actual financial investment. The building owner "carries" the operation. It is his deal, already financed. Why should he pay a high rate of interest on someone else's funds during construction, when his own have been set aside for the purpose,—are either idle or drawing a low return? If the builder is to have a hand in the financing, that is another matter. It then becomes a

subject of too many sides to be dealt with here and now. In any event, the financing should be segregated from the building construction and paid for as an independent factor; otherwise both may be found to be costing the owner inordinately.

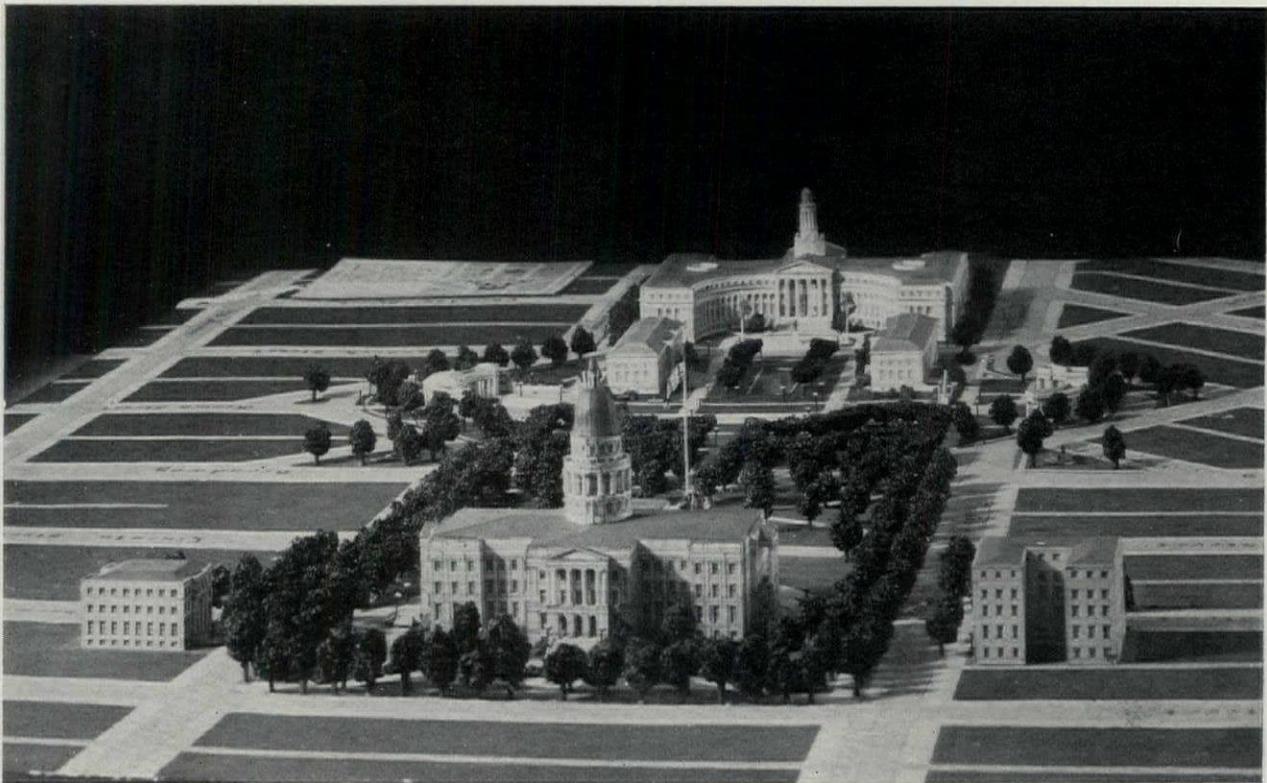
One dispenses also with the incubus of fixed-price contracting, the 1½ per cent "thrown away" on a bond. As a matter of fact, an architect, upon first entering the building field, is more than astonished at the savings he can effect,—can turn back to the owner as part of the reduced cost of safe and sane building over that of cut-throat contracting. In a measure, the general contractor has "cooked his own goose" in the cost-plus game by the opprobrium brought upon it by his very lack of ethical procedure therein. Unless he can convince the owner that he himself is an exception (admitting that his competitors are not to be trusted), he must either be backed by the financial interests bonding the project or must have recourse to super-selling propaganda. In the last instance, he is likely to add a maximum guaranty to his offer,—and the owner is landed, tied up in a deal whereby the builder is both contractor and judge of what that contract is supposed to include, without price competition. This situation is always puzzling to an architect, who can with difficulty conceive how an astute business man can allow himself to be inveigled into such a palpable swindle. The answer is,—superior salesmanship. Nor is the salesman necessarily dishonest, though he may prove his employer to be. If the owner is so supremely foolish as to entrust cost-plus work to someone in whom he hasn't absolute confidence, perhaps he deserves to reap the proceeds of his own imbecility. *Caveat emptor!* And the warning is quite apropos in modern building, unless the prospective owner is careful to assign his work only to a firm of known integrity.

Let us cite, briefly, some actual instances. "A" was a banker who "fell for" the elaborate advertising of a concern grown plethoric with gain on such victims. The ordinary architect might not serve him, nor yet one extraordinary. He had so educated himself on biased propaganda as to believe he wanted a single entity to take all the building worry off his hands down to the inkstands on the counters. He couldn't see that that was exactly what any dependable architect would prefer to do, if permitted. But he got what he wanted, *plus*. The contractors were to get "cost, plus 10 per cent, not to exceed \$67,500," and made much of an assertion that they had once turned back over \$3,000 under such a contract. When this project was finished and the banker demanded a statement, all he received was that of a "certified accountant" to the effect that, inasmuch as the guaranteed maximum did not allow the builders the 10 per cent to which they would otherwise have been entitled, no further statement was necessary,—and none was forthcoming. Referring to his contract, the banker found that it called for "a statement," but that nothing was said about its being detailed or itemized.

That the building could have been reproduced for less than \$40,000 was amply proved by the experience of "B," another banker in the same town who built a year later, in the same block with "A." Costs were slightly higher; his building was exactly half as large as that of "A." The same builders offered the same kind of contract, with a guaranty not to exceed \$36,000. But "B" didn't think that "A" had fared any too well, and he looked up an architect who wanted the work, but wouldn't solicit it, wouldn't cut his price below the American Institute rate, and wouldn't guarantee the cost,—“quite evidently a poor business-getter.” This architect had planned other banks of the sort and had the best of references, as the banker's investigation proved. He thought the building could be produced for under \$22,000, and submitted an itemized estimate in support of his theory. The owner employed him, and the work which the architect had estimated at \$22,000 was executed for under \$21,000, and is at least 25 per cent better than that in "A's" building.

"C" was a banker in a distant city, solicited by the same concern that had built for "A." But "C" was a perspicacious individual, who could at least see through ordinary glasses. Marvelous salesmanship and extravagant advertising fell upon barren soil. He sought an architect experienced in bank work and discovered one with a construction division in his organization. But, when that architect said "cost-plus," he found he was "waving a red flag at a bull."

The memory of much ill-used privilege, which had masqueraded under that title, was fresh in the mind of the wide-awake Mr. "C." However, after thoroughly investigating this architect's past performances, he employed him for architectural services only, freely asserting that "no cost-plus-everything-else-possible builder would get a chance to stick a harpoon into him and twist it." But his troubles were not so easily disposed of. His appropriation was \$60,000, and his architect's estimate was \$65,000. Bids, solicited by the cautious banker, elicited a minimum of \$66,000 for the general contract alone. Impasse! There remained the heating, plumbing, wiring, bank fixtures, marble work, vault equipment, decorating and numerous other *et ceteras*, for all of which the architect thought an additional \$25,000 or \$30,000 would be required. After several weeks of hesitancy, during which prices were steadily trending upward, the unfortunate banker allowed his need to over-rule his better judgment, closed his eyes and signed, "on the dotted line," a wide open contract, whereby his architect was to deliver the building which he had planned, and would be paid "cost, plus a lump sum." The portion of the work, for which the low bidder had demanded \$66,000, was done for under \$40,000, and the entire building turned over complete, within the estimated total cost. These are isolated instances, cited to prove nothing, but rather to indicate that an architect need not be timid about entering the practical building field.



Model of the Civic Center and Municipal Building, Denver
Allied Architects Association of Denver, Architects

OFFICE PRACTICE

THE ALLIED ARCHITECTS ASSOCIATION OF DENVER

BY

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TO complete plans for the development of Denver's civic center and to provide architectural service for the proposed municipal building of Denver, were the principal objects which led to the formation of the Allied Architects Association of Denver. It seemed appropriate and feasible that this service be undertaken as a civic enterprise by the Institute architects of Denver because of widespread interest among members of the profession. The project contemplated by the city involved the expenditure of \$5,000,000 for the proposed municipal building, and the erection of this structure will form the major development of the civic center. The importance and responsibility of the architectural service necessarily required a high standard of excellence.

After careful investigation, the Colorado Chapter, which sponsored the enterprise, became satisfied that a properly organized association of architects could render the service required. Such an organization would permit of the selection and functioning of specialized groups, directing respectively the problems in plan and design, construction and engineering, and construction supervision. The proposal of the architects was received with favor by the city of Denver, and as a consequence the Allied Architects Association of Denver was employed by the city to render the service proposed. The membership of the Association includes all Denver members of the Colorado Chapter of the American Institute. The Association functions as a coöperative organization, incorporated under the state laws, and is governed by a board of seven directors. To render the service for the municipal building, a separate office organization was set up, and it has functioned similarly to that of any large firm of architects. Problems arising in plan and design, in construction engineering, and in construction supervision are reviewed by the respective committees on these subjects. The active direction, control and responsibility of the organization rest with the board of directors, to which all committees report. A member of the Association may enter the drafting room, if the need of such employment arises, but upon entering the drafting room his status becomes that of an employe only. Members are privileged, and were required at the beginning of operations, to submit preliminary sketches for the design of the building, and from this procedure much valuable information was procured for the later development of the scheme.

The work of the Association has proved of great interest to the members, and the coöperative character of the service has insured unity and harmony

in the affairs of the Association. The working drawings and specifications have been fully completed and have received the official approval of the Denver Art Commission, the Mayor and the City Council of Denver. The Supreme Court of Colorado has recently rendered a decision clarifying certain phases of legal procedure in the awarding of contracts, and it is now contemplated by the city that the actual work of construction on the municipal building shall begin within the next few months. The construction of the building will probably require three or four years' time, and when the service is completed the principal object of the association of architects will have been accomplished, and it will then in all probability disband.

The Allied Architects Association of Denver is committed to these principles of operation, which make it unlike other associations and which may be briefly summarized as:

1. Dealing with a single work,—a civic center and municipal building.
2. The adoption of a policy of non-interference with the private practices of its members.
3. Carrying out an enterprise undertaken by the profession in the interest of civic responsibility by the Institute architects of Denver, sponsored by the Colorado Chapter of the Institute.
4. The purpose of the Association to conserve profits, in order that, upon completion of the work, such funds may be administered for the benefit of the profession in Colorado.

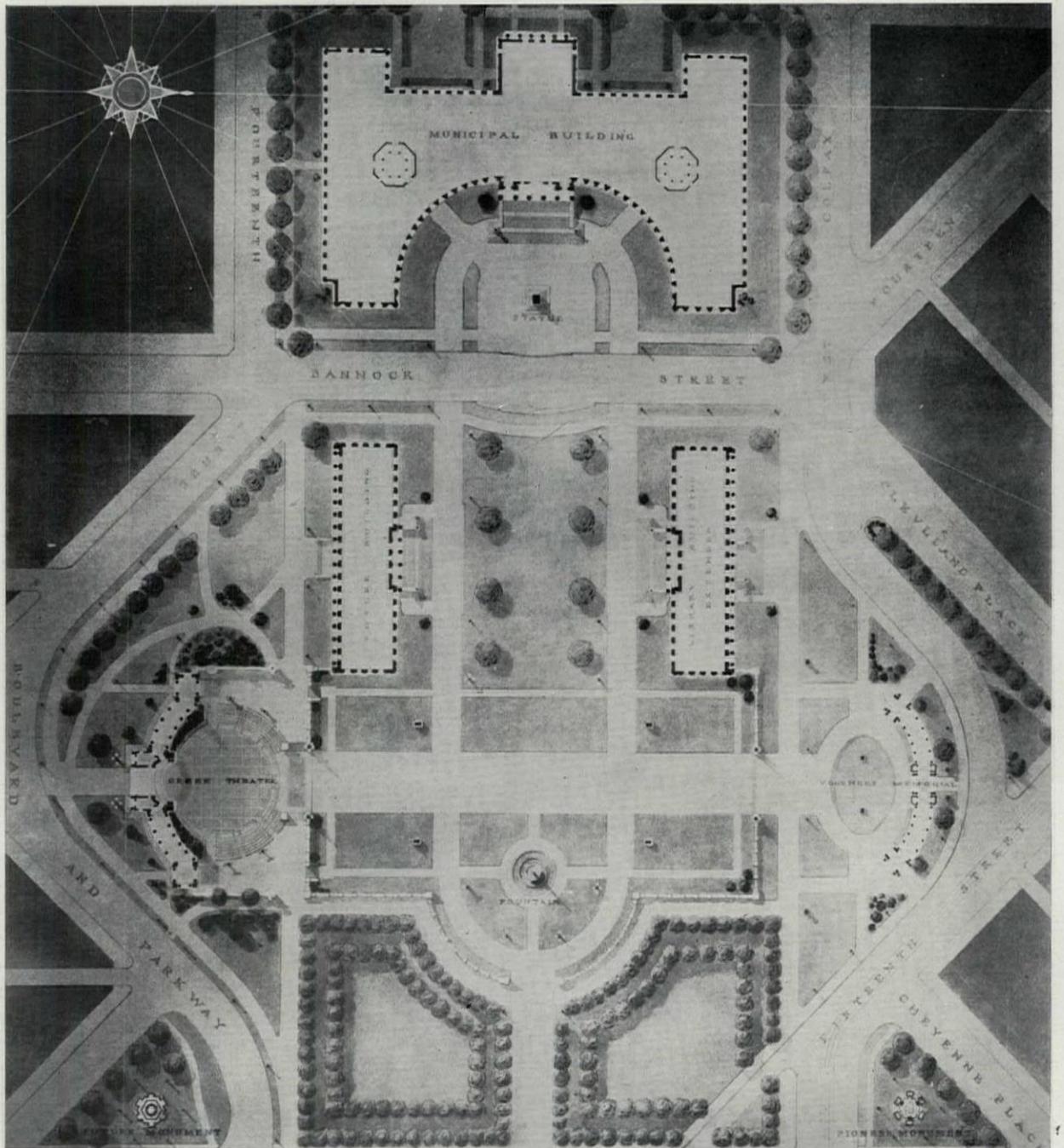
The success of the Association in its work may be attributed to these dominant characteristics:

1. The urge of civic responsibility accepted by the architects.
2. A service well coöordinated and fully representative of the Institute architects of Denver.
3. The altruistic purpose concerning disposition of accrued profits.

Enduring benefits have already been attained in the profession from the unifying influence of a constructive work undertaken for Denver by the members of the Association. As a consequence, the Chapter's prestige has been elevated to new significance in municipal and state affairs. In recognition of this influence, members of the Institute are now serving on the State Examining Board of Architects, the Colorado Engineering Council, the Denver Art Commission, the City Zoning Commission, and the Denver Smoke Commission, in addition to having active representation in the Chamber of Commerce, the City Club, and various other civic organizations.



ELEVATION, CITY AND COUNTY BUILDING, DENVER



PLAN OF THE CIVIC CENTER, DENVER
ALLIED ARCHITECTS ASSOCIATION OF DENVER, ARCHITECTS

THE ALLIED ARCHITECTS ASSOCIATION OF KENTUCKY

BY

OSSIAN P. WARD, PRESIDENT

THERE had been considerable discussion as to the forming of an Allied Architects Association of Kentucky. This was brought to crystallization and consummation by the opportunity to design some buildings for the University of Louisville. On March 31, 1925, the Allied Architects Association of Kentucky was incorporated under the laws of the state of Kentucky. This Association was organized primarily for the advancement of architecture in connection with the designing of public buildings, and not for the profit of its members. Quoting Article I of the by-laws: "The paramount purpose of this Association is to advance the art of architecture, and by professional coöperation and collaboration to secure for and provide municipal, county, state and national governments and organizations formed for civic betterment or mutual or business advancement with the highest and best expression of the profession of architecture at the least possible cost in the design and construction of buildings, structures and improvements." This organization will not accept commissions or perform architectural services for private individuals, firms or corporations.

The board of directors, of whom there are five, elected by the members of the Association, have the power to fix the compensation to be paid to its officers, representatives and employes. In the month of January of any year, the directors can at their discretion divide the profits acquired by the Association among the members whose membership has been continuous for a period of one year prior to the

date of said division. So far there has been no division of profits among the members of this Association. The conducting of the architectural work of the Association is carried on very much as it would be in any architect's office, except that the board of directors, instead of the individual architect or partners of a firm, manages all the affairs of the Association. The field of endeavor, however, being limited to public buildings, is very much restricted.

The board of directors selects the members best suited to take charge of the different branches of the work, and employs draftsmen and outside help whenever necessary. In connection with the only work that the Association has had to date, the board of directors became the executive committee and had charge of the preparation of plans and specifications and the supervision of the construction, holding frequent meetings during the progress of the work. It is not the intention of the Association to cut commissions or compete with architects outside of the Association, except, of course, in the field of public buildings, and even in this field there is a disposition to give the individual architects first chance, or at least every opportunity, to obtain the commissions.

A complete set of books is kept, and also a record of the cost to the Association of conducting the various branches of the architectural work. The question of legal responsibility is very important, and one that I may not be able to answer properly. So far there has been, in our experience, no occasion to decide any legal responsibility, but it would seem



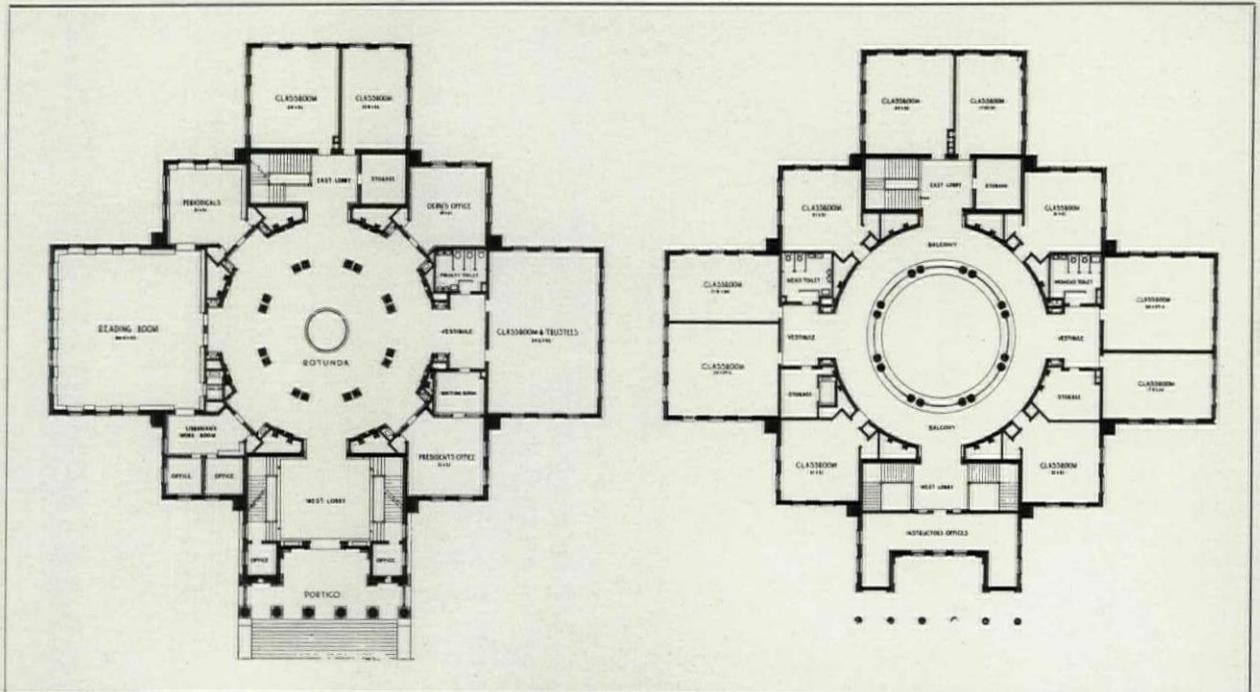
Administration Building, University of Louisville
Allied Architects Association of Kentucky, Architects

that what would apply to any other corporation in Kentucky would apply to the Allied Architects Association, incorporated under the laws of Kentucky. In our articles of incorporation it is provided that "the highest amount of indebtedness and liability which the corporation may at any time incur shall be \$30,000," and also that "the private property of the stockholders of the said corporation shall not be subject to any extent whatever to the payment of the debts and obligations of the corporation." The laws of Kentucky require that every corporation shall own capital stock, so each one of the 11 members of the Association owns three shares of stock of par value of \$33.33 each. No person shall own more or less than three shares of stock in this corporation, and every member has the same rights.

At the outset it appeared as though the University of Louisville would have \$500,000 or \$600,000 out of a bond issue of \$1,000,000 to expend for new buildings, and the Allied Architects Association obtained the contract to erect three buildings for the University. Unfortunately, the resultant funds dwindled, and so far the Association has designed only one building,—a new administration building, for the University of Louisville, costing, with driveway, approximately \$300,000. As this is the only work that the Association has performed, its success or failure must necessarily be rather limited. The building itself has been quite generally commended, and we hope will satisfactorily fulfill its purpose. The relations and associations of the various members of the organization working upon this project have been cordial, friendly and enjoyable, and it seems that there are many beneficial features in such an organization, provided enough work can be ob-

tained to permit proper organization and to hold the interest and cooperation of the members. On the other hand, there seems to be a difference of opinion, even among the members of the organization, as to the possibility of such an organization's working efficiently and satisfactorily. Our organization has been and still is in an experimental stage, and its future success or failure is dependent upon enough work to keep the Association together and interested; for no organization can endure and properly function without something to do. It also requires a leader who can devote considerable time to the affairs of the organization,—one who can inspire the members and arouse their interest and loyalty. Much can be done, and great benefit can be derived by the members of such an organization, provided that it is properly organized and governed. The things that militate against the success of such organizations as allied architects associations, are the complexity of modern life; the busy and crowded hours of most architects, which make it hard for them to devote much time to anything outside of their routine business; and the fact that it is harder for a group to come to a decision and function than for an individual.

In conclusion, in my humble opinion, an allied architects association may be very successful provided it is properly organized, led and has plenty of work. On the other hand, there can very easily be failure if there are little work and lack of leadership and interest on the part of the members. On the whole, it would seem that the advantages in an association such as this outweigh the disadvantages, and that bringing competing architects together into a group working for the same cause creates and fosters cordiality that would not otherwise be obtained.



Plans, Administration Building, University of Louisville
Allied Architects Association of Kentucky, Architects

CHARGING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

THE COST PLUS SYSTEM OF ROBERT D. KOHN AND ASSOCIATED ARCHITECTS

BY

MAUD M. ACKER

EDITOR'S NOTE. In the April issue of THE ARCHITECTURAL FORUM, William Stanley Parker wrote of the "Fee Plus Cost System for Architects," as employed in the office of R. Clipston Sturgis, Architect. Mrs. Acker describes the interesting cost-plus system used in the office of Robert D. Kohn and Associated Architects, which differs, in some respects from the method described by Mr. Parker.

WE have used the cost-plus charge for professional services in our office for many years and have found it works out to the advantage of the client and to our own. The form in which we write to clients is substantially given here:

"As you know, it is the usual practice of architects to charge a fee based on a certain percentage of the cost of the work executed. This has worked fairly equitably in the past. But in view of changing prices and other conditions it may not always work equitably now for both owner and architect. We have therefore in recent years proposed a plan to our clients which bases the payments to be made to us as architects entirely on the actual cost of the work we do, plus overhead and a reasonable profit. We protect the owner against any excessive cost by placing an upset maximum price. The owners pay us monthly for the amount of work done for them in the previous month. If the work goes along smoothly and no extraordinary complications arise they are likely to pay for our service a lesser total sum than would be involved under the old percentage rate of charge. If, on the other hand, the work is complicated or delayed by unusual conditions that arise, or if changes have to be made which involve additional drawings, the cost is more. But there is never any question as to what the amount charged should be, since the whole matter is based on actual expenditures in our office. The scheme which we propose for your building is as outlined in the next paragraph.

"We are to give full professional services including all the usual plans, details, specifications and superintendence for this work, and we are to receive as compensation therefor the direct cash expenditures of our office in the payment of the salaries of our staff and other assistants of any character for necessary work done while engaged on this project, plus 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ per cent for overhead, plus a charge for the time of the principals charged for on a salary basis when the time of the principals is devoted to this work, plus fees paid to structural engineers, plus one-third for profit, plus the net cost of blue prints and cash expense incurred for long distance telephoning, traveling expenses, etc. We hereby agree that the total amount which you will thus be required to pay us will not exceed the basic rate of per cent of the proposed cost of the building work, as a basic fee of that amount would be calculated under

the normal conditions of practice mentioned in the latest schedule of the American Institute of Architects."

Our cost on an imaginary case would be kept in this way:

Draftsmen's time	\$100.00		
66 $\frac{2}{3}$ overhead	66.66		
Total	\$166.66		\$166.66
Principals' time (hourly salary basis)	\$ 50.00		
Engineer's fees	50.00		
	\$100.00		\$100.00
			\$266.66
33 $\frac{1}{3}$ profit			88.88
Blueprints			30.00
Cash expense			4.46
			\$390.00

We have often been asked how the principals keep a record of their own time and what they charge as their salaries. It will be noted that the scheme as defined in the contract includes in the cost of production the time spent by the principals. Each of the principals keeps a separate time sheet, just as do the draftsmen. To be sure, it is impossible for the principals to find more than half of their actual working time that can be directly entered on the time slips. This is due to the fact that it is impossible to charge up time spent in telephone conversations, dictation and general office supervision. A careful record kept for the better part of a year shows that the average is just about one-half of the number of working hours. That being the case, the principals' time entered for each commission is doubled. We have also been asked how we arrive at our overhead. We find that our costs for office rent, stenographers, materials, telephones, telephone operator, office boys, printing, etc. (all the unassignable costs) averaged for a number of years 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ per cent of the amount expended in the same years for directly assignable salaries of draftsmen and superintendents. In busy times the overhead is less,—at other times more. We have therefore thought it right to take the average of a number of years as a constant to be applied to every project in figuring the overhead. If a surplus accumulates under this heading in one year, it should be retained as a reserve fund to meet the deficit of another.

Aside from the overhead, an item of profit had to

be determined on. It was quite customary to assume formerly that something like 40 per cent of the total fees collected ought to be profit to the architect, the profit being the total amount which the architect himself was supposed to receive as clear of all expenses. Some architects claim that half of their total fees are profit, but we believed that to be exceptional, and that in the general run of work the expenses of a commission amount at least to 60 per cent. But in the instance given here the profit is calculated on a cost which includes the architect's salary. Accordingly, after considerable calculation and discussion, we reached the conclusion that 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ per cent would be a reasonable profit item to charge when based on such inclusive costs.

There are two or three considerations which are of importance in this cost-plus scheme. The first is that any waste in the office on the part of draftsmen or carelessness in duplicating work is naturally to the detriment of the client, just as would be waste in a cost-plus contract for building construction work. Though the owner is protected by the upset percentage fee, it might be claimed that there is still leeway enough for considerable waste, since we always make this upset maximum 1 per cent more than the usual Institute percentage fees. That is a valid criticism. It is up to the office unquestionably to guard most carefully against waste. We have found in our experience that on several occasions we felt called upon to credit an account with the salaries of men who had for one reason or another neglected their work or failed to produce drawings that were of value to the client. Such items are charged back against the profits of the office. In every such case the men in the office are informed of the items, so that they realize that this is a charge against their shares in the profits. The scheme of charging a distinct item for profit sets aside a certain fund which can be divided under a profit-sharing scheme with the whole office force. The architect himself has been paid a salary, an amount at any rate which gives him some return for his services, even if not an entirely adequate return. It is therefore simple to work out a profit-sharing scheme in which the workers can share in a reasonable ratio to the amount of profit.

The next important point is that the architect does not benefit by receiving an enormous fee on work that is simple, where the client makes few demands and where the work is repetitious; but he does not lose large amounts where the client is difficult and the work complicated, as is the case with some residential work. A New York architect in criticizing this scheme to Mr. Kohn one day said: "Your plan may be all right, but you can never make a killing"; to which was replied: "We do not have to make a killing, since under our scheme we make no loss on any commission." Under our plan an architect does not profit inordinately on one project and give his work away on another. The client pays for exactly what he gets. Another advantage under this scheme is that each month, the first of the month, a bill is

NAME John Jones
WEEK ENDING Feb 17/28

OFFICE OF
ROBERT D. KOHN & CHARLES BUTLER
NEW YORK

	SAT.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	TOTAL FOR WEEK		
ARRIVE	9	9	9	9	9	9			
LUNCH		1	1	1	1	1			
RETURN		2	2	2	2	2			
LEAVE	1	5:30	5:30	5	5	5	HOURS	RATE	AMT.
471	2	2				3	7	2	14
320		1	3				4		8
413	1						1		2
408			4				4		8
466	1	3		4			8		16
470						4	4		8
518			1/2				1/2		1
440		1 1/2		3			4 1/2		9
448					7		7		14
449									
TOTAL	4	7 1/2	7 1/2	7	7	7	40		80

Weekly Time Card Arranged for Charging Directly Against Commission Numbers

rendered to the client for the expenditures of the previous month, plus overhead and profit. Without exception our clients have become accustomed to this plan and pay these bills promptly, and the whole financial health of the office has been improved since we do not run credit accounts. The old habit of borrowing money from the bank to carry on commissions is gone, we trust for good. Just as a reform, it would be well if the whole architectural profession adopted the habit of sending monthly bills, whatever might be the system of their charges. At the beginning of a project the client is always comparatively flush and is ready to pay bills, while otherwise, under the old plan, the architect has been the last one to be paid, because the client is often short of cash after paying the contractors. Under our scheme of monthly bills the greater part of the architect's fee is paid long before the contractor gets in his final work.

This outline of our plan is a somewhat revised and corrected statement of the working of our cost-plus plan as prepared by Mr. Kohn some years ago. Considering it now in the light of more than eight years' experience, we would not change back to the percentage basis under any circumstances. We have to acknowledge that once or twice we have come out badly on commissions, despite the cost-plus basis. The reason was that we fixed too low an upset percentage. In one case, on a hospital built at a remote point, we made a contract on the cost-plus basis with an upset percentage of 8 per cent plus traveling expenses and cost of a clerk of the works. Owing to a disagreement between the members of the medical staff, the work stretched over a great length of time and the costs ran inordinately high. But we maintain that had this been a straight percentage commission, the story would have been the same. It happened to be one of those cases where it was hard to prove, without going to court, that the nature of the changes imposed upon the architects justified extra compensation.

CUBIC FOOT COSTS OF BUILDINGS

BY

JAMES E. BLACKWELL, ARCHITECT

THE practical man always wants a "thumb rule"; speed is the demand of modern life; there is often no time for long calculations, and we begrudge the time it takes to make reliable estimates. As a draftsman once said, upon hearing a client's demand for speedy work, "a man will take a year to decide whether he will build or not, and when he does decide, he wants the plans finished day before yesterday." There is no short rule uniformly accepted as reliable in estimating the cost of buildings, and many times what is called an estimate, is what an old architect called "a mere *guesstimate*." There have been in use the methods of cost obtained by the cubic foot; by the square foot, or floor area; and by the room. Of these the cost by cubic foot seems to be the only one *approximately* reliable and used generally and for many years.

The cost by floor area is obtained by measuring the aggregate area of all the floors and dividing the total cost of the building by the total number of square feet. To get the approximate cost of a proposed structure, its floor area is multiplied by the cost per square foot of an actual building of the same type recently completed.

The cost by number of rooms is used by taking a building of known cost and rooms; dividing the number of rooms into cost, to ascertain the cost per room. This cost can be used as a constant in multiplying the number of rooms in a proposed structure to obtain the approximate total cost. This is the most unreliable of the three methods mentioned, as the cost per room may vary from \$500 to \$2,000 or \$3,000, depending upon the sizes of the rooms and the materials of which the building is constructed.

The cubic foot method was brought to this country from Great Britain and has been in use some 50 years or more, and so far as the writer knows, a table of costs and explanation thereof was first published in 1887, giving the cost per cubic foot of some 38 selected United States government buildings of various classes and materials of construction, ranging in cost from \$.08 for a frame building to \$1 per cubic foot for a granite, "fireproof" structure. It may be said at the start that a man without wide and long experience and good judgment cannot use this method with any reliability whatever. The practice is to obtain the cost per cubic foot of a known building and to use this rate per foot to multiply the measured cubic contents of a proposed structure to determine its cost. The proposed building, should, of course, be similar to the known structure in sizes of rooms, in total contents and in the materials of which the building is constructed. If it is not exactly so, then good judgment must be used in making due allowance for the differences. In measuring the cubic contents of a building, the

actual volume is usually taken from the outside of all walls and from the bottom of the foundations to the top of the roof, considering the slopes, towers, and dormers, chimneys, projecting courses and cornices as immaterial. In judging the rate per cubic foot a building should cost, careful consideration must be given to the sizes of the various rooms and enclosed spaces and the total size of the building, as well as the interior fittings, finish, the number of finished fronts and the kinds of materials of which they are constructed. Consideration must be given to the materials, such as brick, etc., and also to the construction of the interior partitions, frame or fireproof, and to the interior decorations, plaster, marble, tiling, etc. It is in this that the experienced judgment of the estimator is necessary,—in knowing the cost of completed buildings, in order to arrive at the cost of the structure and to make proper allowances, because very often a demand is made for such information in a very short time, and often before a line of the design or drawings has been made.

The accompanying table shows the cost of some fairly representative buildings constructed in Seattle and neighboring cities of the state of Washington, giving dates of completion and costs at those times, and the costs per cubic foot to conform to price costs of 1927, using for this conversion the changes as shown on page 128 of THE FORUM for January, 1928. These changes in prices taken from the chart assume 1913 and previous years as 100 per cent, and figures for subsequent years are: 1914, 98 per cent; 1915, 114; 1916, 156; 1917, 189; 1918, 190; 1919, 200; 1920, 268; 1921, 198; 1922, 171; 1923, 186; 1924, 194; 1925, 190; 1926, 187; and 1927, 185. The table printed herewith includes 69 buildings, 41 fireproof and 28 of cheaper construction, compiled from the best sources obtainable (generally the architects' figures). Using the costs as of 1927, this table gives 17 office buildings, varying in cost per cubic foot from 32 cents to 74.8 cents, average 52.6; two hotels, 40 and 60 cents; four apartments, 44 to 58.7 cents, average 51.2; four theaters 26.7 to 44.2 cents, average 36.9; nine loft buildings, 12.6 to 25.1, average 18.9; and five school buildings, 22.3 to 30.8, average 25.8 cents. This table of such varying costs shows conclusively the necessity of having the completed and the proposed buildings approximately the same in size, in number of rooms and in construction. It also shows somewhat the effect in costs of much decoration and yet large inside spaces, as in theaters, compared to buildings having less decoration but many small spaces or rooms, as in office buildings or hotels. The buildings of cheaper construction shown in the table are simply given as statistics for varieties in uses and construction, varying in cost from 9 to 54 cents per cubic foot. These

may be used only when the proposed building is similar to one of these. It is to be noted, however, that even in this type of building, larger structures often cost less per cubic foot than smaller buildings.

The writer has a list of costs of many residences, but they vary so greatly in cost, plan, equipment and finish that they would be of no value as a guide in estimating. The accompanying table may be of some aid to architects and builders in cities other than Seattle, but as there is a wide difference in costs of materials and labor in various cities, a table of costs in each city would be of more value. It is to be hoped that tables will be prepared for other large cities.

The estimator in comparing the requirements of the proposed building to those of a structure of known cost should know the relative costs of materials and labor in the different cities and the dates of construction. He must know the class of building, its purpose; whether fireproof, mill or ordinary construction; the kinds of finish for interior and exterior walls, etc., and the class of people who are to occupy the proposed building. Manifestly, in connection with the last item, the kind of building required for a hotel or apartment for laborers, sailors, or lodgers, would not be as expensive as a first class hotel or apartment. The kind of apartment for well bred, well educated people, but of moderate means, would not be as elaborate and expensive as for

the very wealthy. The variations in customs or in demands in different cities are sometimes very great; for instance, the demand for apartments in Seattle and many western cities is for two- or three-room suites,—seldom more than four or five rooms, with rents varying from \$70 to \$125 per month; while in New York, Chicago, Washington and some other eastern cities there may be considerable demand for apartments of from 10 to 15 rooms, renting for from \$800 to \$1500 per month. In such cases the rates given in the table for apartments would be of no value for comparison.

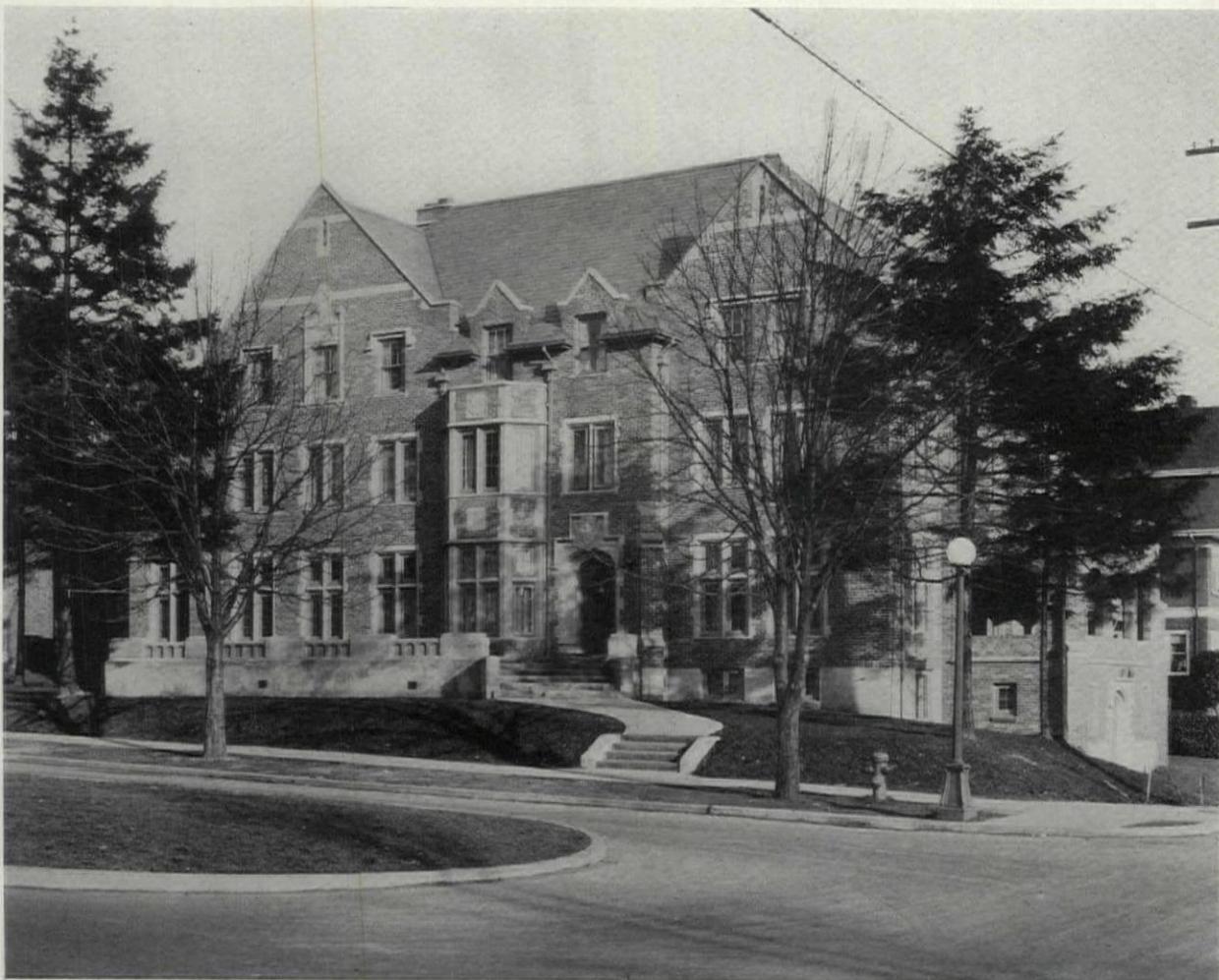
Of course, no thumb rule is as good as a detailed estimate, and the latter is not as conclusive as *bona fide* bids; but neither can be reliable until after working drawings and specifications have been made. An owner never wants to pay for all this architectural service as long as there is a doubt of proceeding with the building, and he always asks for an estimate before proceeding beyond the preliminary drawings stage. The estimates based on cubic foot costs are never accurate, except by a lucky coincidence, but they do serve a useful purpose in approximating the cost in the quickest way yet devised. An expert in actual costs can give a much more reliable estimate if he is provided with carefully drawn plans and an outline specification. Such an estimate can be made quickly by an experienced man.

COST OF BUILDINGS IN SEATTLE PER CUBIC FOOT FIREPROOF BUILDINGS

Name of Building	Year Built	Use or Occupancy	Construction Type	Number of Stories	Total Cubic Feet	Total Cost	Actual Cost Per Cu. Ft.	Cost Per Cu. Ft., As Of 1927
Bigelow	1923	Office & Stores	R.C.	7	60 x 120	.....	45 cts.	45 cts.
Lloyd	1926	"	"	10	819,910	.....	52	52
Shafer	1924	"	"	10	866,320	\$385,733	44	42.2
Alaska	1905	"	S.F.	14	1,823,040	690,600	37.8	69.9
White	1911	"	R.C.	14	.....	.....	36	66.6
Henry	1912	"	"	14	.....	.....	34	62.9
Cobb	1914	"	"	14	.....	.....	40	74.8
Eagles Temple	1924	Aud. Office & Stores	"	10	2,050,090	1,010,984	49.3	49.3
Northern Life Tower	1928	Office	"	27	2,710,926	1,500,000	55.3	55.3
Puget Sound Power & Light	1925	Office	"	2	201,000	66,529	33	33
Mutual Life Annex	1905	" & Bank	S.F.	6	297,000	106,804	36	66.6
Dexter Horton	1924	"	R.C.	14	4,883,760	2,250,000	46.1	46.1
Medical & Dental	1924	"	"	18	2,533,044	1,535,000	60	60
Telephone	1921	"	"	13	2,208,690	1,307,000	59.2	54.6
Vance Hotel	1926	Hotel & Stores	"	10	814,928	.....	60	60
Stratford Hotel	1927	"	"	9	580,860	235,060	40	40
Terminal Sales	1923	Stores & Lofts	"	11	1,309,900	329,971	25.1	25.1
Hubbell Building	1922	"	"	2	498,688	106,256	21.3	23
Hanford Building	1921	"	"	2	349,333	50,350	14.4	13.4
Grunbaum Store	1921	"	"	4	1,850,350	337,177	18.2	17
McDowall	1926	"	"	9	1,417,600	468,000	32	32
Republic	1927	Loft	"	10	.....	.....	41	41
Liggett	1926	"	"	10	.....	.....	42	42
Century Addition	1923	"	"	5	.....	.....	21	21
Sherman-Clay W. H.	1924	"	"	3	772,800	.....	20.4	20.4
Tyce Building	1925	Garage & Lofts	"	2	682,240	147,486	21.6	21.6
Kelly-Springfield	1920	"	"	2	219,000	40,000	18.2	12.6
Louisa Frye Building	1926	"	"	3	358,441	57,278	16	16
Mann Building	1926	Store-Theater-Lofts	"	2	789,702	210,264	26.7	26.7
Paramount Seattle Theater	1927	Theater	"	8	2,833,920	1,250,000	44.2	44.2
New Orpheum	1927	Theater, Moving Picture	"	6	2,300,204	1,000,000	43.4	43.4
Mayflower Theater	1927	"	"	6	2,256,400	750,000	33.2	33.2
Lawton Apartments	1925	Apartments	"	7	.....	.....	57.5	57.5
Windham Apartments	1925	"	"	7	329,820	193,066	58.7	58.7
Stockbridge Apartments	1925	"	"	6	567,000	253,106	44.6	44.6
Paramount Apartments	1927	"	"	8	568,770	250,000	44	44
St. Benedict's School	1924	Boys' School	"	2	433,000	133,511	30.8	30.8
Bryant School	1926	Grade	R.C.-Fr.fl.	2	593,000	164,076	27.7	27.7
Marshall School	1926	" Junior	" " "	"	1,989,278	442,812	22.3	22.3
Garfield School	1922	High	" " "	"	2,430,000	619,394	24.5	27
Roosevelt School	1921	"	" " "	"	2,800,000	899,800	32.2	30

NON-FIREPROOF BUILDINGS
WOOD FLOOR CONSTRUCTION

Name of Building	Year Built	Use or Occupancy	Construction Type	Number of Stories	Total Cubic Feet	Total Cost	Actual Cost Per Cu. Ft.	Cost Per Cu. Ft., As of 1927.
School at Mt. Vernon	1921	High School	Brick		715,000	\$167,000	23.4 cts.	22.2 cts.
School at Blaine	1925	" "	R. C.		210,000	36,500	17.5	17.5
School at North Bend	1921	Grade "	Brick		266,000	55,158	20.7	19.3
School at Ronald	1913	" "	"		108,650	10,080	9.3	17.2
L. & M. Stores	1925	Stores	Masonry & Wood	2	108,650	14	14	14
Gov. McGraw Stores	1909	" & Bus. School	" "	3	343,440	27,616	8.1	15
Backus Building	1909	" & Lofts	R. C. & Mill	4	506,250	48,327	9.6	17.8
Graves Building	1908	" "	" " "	4	436,800	40,864	9.4	17.4
Sears-Roebuck, Mail Order Bldg.	1916	" "	" " "	6	2,732,400	202,000	7.4	9
Willis-Overland Bldg.	1925	Garage	" " "	2	50' high	.....	9.8	9.8
Chanslor & Lyon Bldg.	1919	" "	" " "	2	700,000	101,220	14.3	13.2
Alvin Investment Co.	1924	" "	" " "	3	462,000	49,268	11	10.5
Colsky Stores	1926	Stores & Garage	Brick & "	1	262,000	26,070	10.3	10.3
Wenatchee Realty Co.	1910	" & Apts.	Masonry & Wood	3	471,120	72,000	15	27.8
Nesika Apts.	1915	54 Apts. 2 & 3 Rooms	Brick & Mill	5	333,360	64,756	19.4	31.4
Lake Investment Co.	1926	" " "	" " "	3	231,700	65,000	28	28
L. & M. Apartment	1924	Apartments 34	Masonry & Wood	3	.....	.....	37	35.3
L. & M. Apartment	1921	Apartments 36	" " "	3	.....	.....	28	26.2
Fairfax Apartment	1923	Apartments	" " "	3	152,779	51,634	33.8	33.8
Carnegie Libr'y, Olympia	1914	Library	" " "	1	166,406	21,768	13.1	24.5
Carnegie Libr'y, Wenatchee	1912	" "	" " "	1	65,996	9,500	14.4	27.6
Delta-Upsilon House	1924	Fraternity House	" " "	3	134,750	40,689	30	28.5
Theta-Xi	1926	" "	" " "	3	112,640	38,463	34	34
Alpha Sigma Phi	1920	" "	" " "	3	140,000	48,000	34.2	23.6
Inglewood Club	1926	Country Club	" " "	2	447,900	133,017	30	30
C. M. & St. P. Gateway	1927	R.R. Hotel & Sta.	" " "	2	455,303	247,772	54	54
Armory N.G.W., Bellingham	1911	Drill Hall & Co. Rooms	Stone	3	851,640	64,880	7.6	14.1
Gray's Harbor Power House	1908	Steam Power Machy.	Brick & Mill	2	541,440	59,987	11.1	20.5



Sigma Alpha Epsilon House, University of Washington, Seattle
Stuart & Wheatley, Architects

THE FAIREST OF COMPETITIONS

BY

WILLIAM O. LUDLOW

OF LUDLOW & PEABODY, ARCHITECTS

SO many times have I told my spellbound friends the inside story of that marvelous feat of legerdemain,—the taking of a two-million-dollar commission out of a hat,—that I don't mind telling it again.

It happened this way: Frank Manville, president of the Johns-Manville Corporation, decided that his company must have a larger building to take care of its larger business. So far easy enough; they had the land, the money, the will to do; but immediately Mr. Manville was faced with a staggering question,—how could he select one architect, from all the architects who had been giving him business, without offending the individuals of the entire profession,—save one,—and without thus jeopardizing the future of the Johns-Manville business? If, for instance, he handed the commission outright to Cass Gilbert, imagine the look of scorn on the face of Whitney Warren's specification man when next the Johns-Manville salesman suggested asbestile for the latest Park Avenue skyscraper! Again, if he held a competition, he knew he would be set down as a man of execrable taste and bad judgment by the personnel of the entire profession,—save one,—when the winning design was exhibited! While pondering this difficulty one day, one of his men (said to have been originally on the stock exchange) suggested to Mr. Manville: "Why not let them *draw* for it?" Mr. Manville, naturally a quiet and cautious man, at first laughed at the joke for, knowing the haughty dignity and the high ethical standards of the members of the profession, he didn't propose to insult his good friends and customers.

The foregoing is from reputable hearsay;—from now on I speak from personal knowledge. One day a well known officer of the Johns-Manville Corporation appeared in our office and asked if it would be beneath our dignity or contrary to our ethical standards to take a chance on drawing from a hat an opportunity to design the new Johns-Manville building. Of course we said that it certainly would,—but possibly we might consider the matter,—just this once. We understood that some of the members of the profession thus approached did not take the same high ground that we did, but trampling on all principle, simply answered: "We would be glad to." A few days later we received a personal invitation for a "representative of our firm" to a luncheon given by Mr. Manville at the Union League Club. As there happen to be two representatives of our firm, we decided that the firm would not be adequately represented unless both went,—not harboring for a moment the thought that some firm might have only one representative when the hat passed!

Twenty of us sat down to a big round table overburdened with delicious food. Finally, we recognized

a cool, yellow, sparkling liquid served in beer mugs, and then the stillness was broken by Mr. Manville, as he arose with a derby hat in one hand and a bunch of little white envelopes in the other. In a few well chosen words he told his guests of his proposed project and said that he had confidence that any one of the gentlemen present would design for him a suitable building, adding that he would be glad to give it to all of us, but as that method might be unsatisfactory, would we kindly each one draw from the hat an envelope? In each envelope, he said, was a blank card excepting one in which would be found a card saying "You Win," and he would like the man who drew that card to be his architect. As the fateful hat went around each man dipped in. I hasten to interject here, to avoid being suspected of double dealing (perhaps that is in the wrong metaphor), that my partner was so scrupulously generous and honest, that he passed his opportunity over to his partner; was ever virtue so instantly rewarded? I am going to ask Briggs to draw a cartoon entitled "What does a man think about when he holds in his hand an envelope containing either a two-million-dollar commission,—or nothing?" Something like this went through my benumbed mind:—In this little envelope a skyscraper or a blank piece of paper! One chance in twenty! Pshaw, that's what I take every time I jay-walk across Fifth Avenue, and I've never been hit yet! I wonder whether Tom Hastings, or Breck Trowbridge, or Whitney Warren will get it!

"Now," said Mr. Manville, "begin here and open up,—each one announcing in turn what he has drawn." With painful slowness the words began to come to my somewhat clouded mind,—"Nothing doing," "Blank," "Blank," "Left again." Then the brilliant deduction began to dawn in my mind that if all the others got *blank*, I got *it*! The suspense was terrible, so with my table knife I slit my envelope and cautiously pulled a little at the card inside,—cat and mouse performance. Hello, what's this! A tiny wreath appears;—yes, I suppose they all have wreaths on them like other tombstones. Great — "You Win!" I took the blow just like Tunney,—manfully,—everything went around inside my head, but at the count of ten I recovered, found everybody still there, and sat trying to look like a sphinx but feeling like an opium addict. Then John Cross, who had peeped at my card, spilled the beans by shouting "Here he is!" I faintly heard yells of "Speech! speech!"

Twenty handshakes from as many slightly disappointed but complacent men;—then, "Glad you fellows are going to be my architects, I want to begin right away, see you tomorrow,"—and so ended the fairest and most satisfactory competition on record.

PLANNING RELIGIOUS EDUCATIONAL BUILDINGS

BY
M. W. BRABHAM

THE phenomenal increase of interest and investment in religious education during the past ten years has been followed by a like increase in attention to the standard requirements for buildings suited to the purposes. Leaders in religious education are today considering their work in a manner approaching if not equaling the seriousness of leaders in general education processes. This has resulted in the study and gradual development of a new type of building which is a far cry from the "Sunday School room" or "annex" of a few years ago. The introduction of a definite program of training involving theories and practices in educational processes of a religious nature extending far beyond the customary one-hour Sunday School, calls for structures as carefully planned and equipped as the best educational buildings for public schools. The numerical growth has also been astonishingly large, until today it is not an unusual thing to find structures accommodating from 1000 to 5000 persons.

The Sunday School is coming to be known generally nowadays as the "Church School," the very name implying a change of emphasis and a broadening of program. The school for religious work is graded in all its educational processes, and this is calling for buildings also graded in arrangements. Within the organization there are eight age groups commonly recognized, these being based on well founded psychological principles. Within each of these eight age groups there are subdivisions by grades and classes. The program for each age group varies in essential points, all of which calls for different arrangements as to sizes, shapes and general appointments of rooms. This can be readily seen as a highly specialized field, demanding preparation and experience not commonly regarded as a part of the general architectural preparation of those practicing in this field. To date the number of architectural organizations employing specialists in the field of religious administration and theory is very small, but the probabilities are that these workers will be engaged for handling such aspects of the work in increasing numbers. There are several available books on the subject which may be found helpful to architects in connection with this special line of service: "Building for Church Work and Life," by Mouzon William Brabham (Cokesbury Press, Nashville, 1928); "Building for Religious Education," by Henry Edward Tralle and George Merrill (The Century Company, New York, 1925); "A Complete Guide to Church Building," by P. E. Burroughs (Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville).

The schedules printed here have been worked out as a general guide for architects and committees to be used in determining some important features of religious educational buildings.

TABLE I
Church School Having 900 Members

Group	Ages	Per Cent	No. of Pupils	Sq. Ft.	Assembly Rooms	Classrooms	Members Per Class
Cradle roll	1-2-3	5	45	675	2	0	
Beginner	4-5	8	72	1080	1-2	0	...
Primary	6-7-8	10	90	1350	1	9	8-10
Junior	9-10-11	10	90	1350	1	9	8-12
Intermediate	12-13-14	10	90	1350	1	7-10	8-15
Senior	15-16-17	10	90	1350	1	7-10	8-20
Young people	18-23	20	180	2700	1	6-8	15-40
Adult	24 upward	27	243	3645	1	6-9	15-150
Total			900	13,500	9	44-55	

Adults may use main auditorium of church for assembly if necessary.

Note. Classrooms not opening into the assembly room are to be preferred where shape of lot and size of building lend themselves to this arrangement.

Other Rooms. Social hall, which may also be the assembly room for one of the departments of pupils above 12 years old; kitchen and serving rooms; mothers' room or rooms, in close proximity to the cradle roll; women's parlor or parlors; boy scout and camp fire girl rooms, both of which may be figured in floor space for either intermediate or senior classes; chapel adapted to prayer meetings and other gatherings, which may be used as an assembly for one group, such as intermediate or senior. Rooms adapted to meetings of young people; these may also be used for an assembly or for large classes; pastor's office and study; room for pastor's assistant or assistants; church offices; Sunday School officers' room; library and reading room; coat room facilities; toilets; cabinets in each assembly room and in library; storage and janitor's room; gymnasium, where local conditions require it and where adequate supervision will be maintained. Minimum size classroom: 8 x 10 feet. Blackboards should be provided in classrooms and in assembly rooms.

TABLE II
Church School Having 1200 Members

Group	Ages	Per Cent	No. of Pupils	Sq. Ft.	Assembly Rooms	Classrooms	Members per Class
Cradle roll	1-2-3	5	60	900	2	0	
Beginner	4-5	8	98	1,440	2	0	...
Primary	6-7-8	10	120	1,800	1	12-14	8-10
Junior	9-10-11	10	120	1,800	1	10-12	10-12
Intermediate	12-13-14	10	120	1,800	1	10-12	10-15
Senior	15-16-17	10	120	1,800	1	9-12	10-20
Young people	18-23	20	240	3,600	1	7-12	15-40
Adult	24 upward	27	324	4,860	1	6-10	15-150
Total			1,200	18,000	10	54-72	

Note. Classrooms for primary and junior groups should be apart from the assembly room when size and shape of lot permit separate arrangement. The number of classrooms for each of these groups may be reduced by providing for one-half to be in classes while the other half is in assembly.

Other Rooms. Social hall, which may also be used as an assembly room for one of the departments,—this room should accommodate from 800 to 1000; kitchen and serving room; kitchenette convenient to room or rooms used for smaller social gatherings or young people's department; mothers' rooms (2) convenient to cradle roll rooms. These may be counted in as a part of the total floor space for adult classes; women's parlors (2), which may also be used as adult classrooms, or one may be arranged for young people; boy scout and camp fire girl rooms, which may also be counted in total classroom space for either the intermediate or senior classes; pastor's study; pastor's office and conference room; church offices; assistant pastor and director of religious education (2 rooms); Sunday School officers' room or rooms; library and supply room; reading room, which may also be training classroom and figured in total classroom space for young people; coat room facilities; toilets; storage and janitor's room or rooms; gymnasium. Minimum size of classrooms: 8 x 10 feet. Blackboards in classrooms.

TABLE III
Church School Having 1600 Members

Group	Ages	Per Cent	No. of Pupils	Sq. Ft.	Assembly Rooms	Classrooms	Members per Class
Cradle roll	1-2-3	5	80	1,200	2	0	...
Beginner	4-5	8	128	1,920	2	0	...
Primary	6-7-8	10	160	2,400	1	16-20	8-10
Junior	9-10-11	10	160	2,400	1	16-24	8-12
Intermed.	12-13-14	10	160	2,400	1	12-20	8-15
Senior	15-16-17	10	160	2,400	1	10-18	10-20
Young people	18-23	20	320	4,800	1	10-14	15-50
Adult	24 upward	27	432	6,480	1	8-10	15-200
Total			1,600	24,000	10	72-106	

Note. Junior and primary classrooms should not open into assembly room unless the size and shape of lot make other arrangements impossible. The number of classrooms for each of these departments may be reduced by planning for one-half of the department to be in class session while the other half is in assembly. This is an administrative matter for the local school.

Other Rooms. Social hall, which may also be the adult or young people's assembly room,—this room should care for at least 1,000 to 2,000; kitchen and serving rooms; kitchenette for smaller gatherings; mothers' rooms (2) near cradle roll rooms may be counted as adult classes; women's parlors (2 or more); church parlor and steward's rooms, boy scout and camp fire girl rooms; also counted as interme-

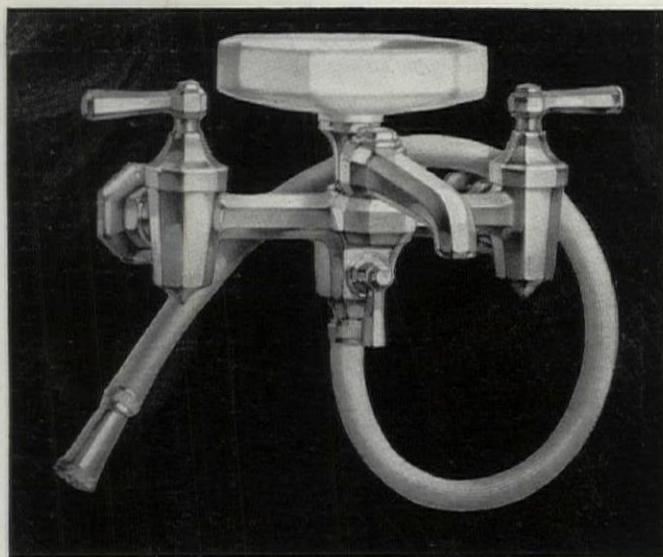
mediate or senior classrooms; pastor's study; pastor's office and conference room; assistant pastor's room; room for director of religious education; church offices and vault; storage and janitor's rooms; library; reading room; Sunday School officers' rooms; coat rooms; toilets; gymnasium and locker rooms; chapel for prayer meetings, which may also be assembly room; rooms adapted to young people's meetings; men's club room; girls' club room; boys' club room; nursery.

TABLE IV
Church School Having 2,000 Members

Group	Ages	Per Cent	No. of Pupils	Sq. Ft.	Assembly Rooms	Classrooms	Members per Class
Cradle roll	1-2-3	5	100	1,500	3	0	...
Beginner	4-5	8	160	2,400	3	0	...
Primary	6-7-8	10	200	3,000	2	20-22	8-10
Junior	9-10-11	10	200	3,000	2	18-20	8-12
Intermed.	12-13-14	10	200	3,000	1	18-20	8-16
Senior	15-16-17	10	200	3,000	1	18-20	10-20
Young people	18-23	20	400	6,000	1	12-16	15-50
Adult	24 upward	27	540	8,100	1	10-15	15-200
Total			2,000	30,000	14	96-113	

Note. Junior and primary rooms may be reduced in number by planning for one-half of the department to be in class work while the other half is in assembly, but this is an administrative matter to be worked out locally. Classrooms for these two departments should be separate from the assembly rooms, preferably not opening into the assembly room at all.

Other Rooms. Social hall, accommodating from 1,200 to 1,400, to be used as adult or young people's assembly; kitchen and serving room nearby; kitchenettes within easy reach of smaller rooms for social purposes; mothers' rooms (3) near cradle roll rooms; these may be counted in as part of space for adult classes; parlors (3 to 5) may be used as classrooms if necessary; boy scout rooms (2); camp fire girl rooms (2),—they may be used as classrooms for intermediate or senior classes; club rooms,—young women (1); boys' (1); girls' (1); women (1); men (1); young men (1). Some of these, if located conveniently, may also be used for classes. There shall be administrative rooms: pastor's study (1); pastor's office and conference room (1); assistant pastor (1); director of religious education (1); church offices (2 to 4); vault (1); janitor's rooms (2); library (1); reading room (1); Sunday School officers' rooms (2); chapels (2 to 4). These may be used as prayer meeting rooms and as assembly rooms in some cases. There should be a gymnasium with locker and shower rooms for each sex; blackboards in all class and assembly rooms; cabinets in all department rooms built in to side or rear; coat rooms; toilets; drinking fountains; nurseries and rest rooms.



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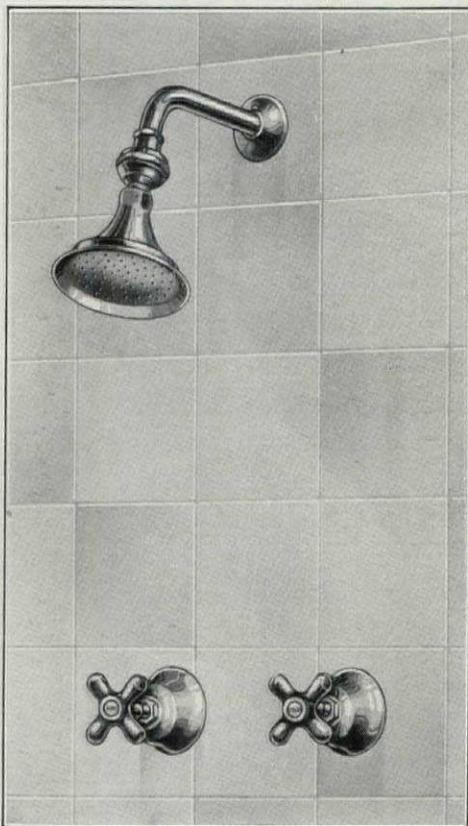
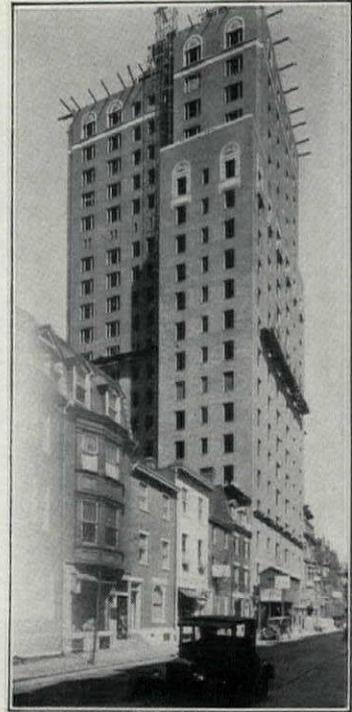


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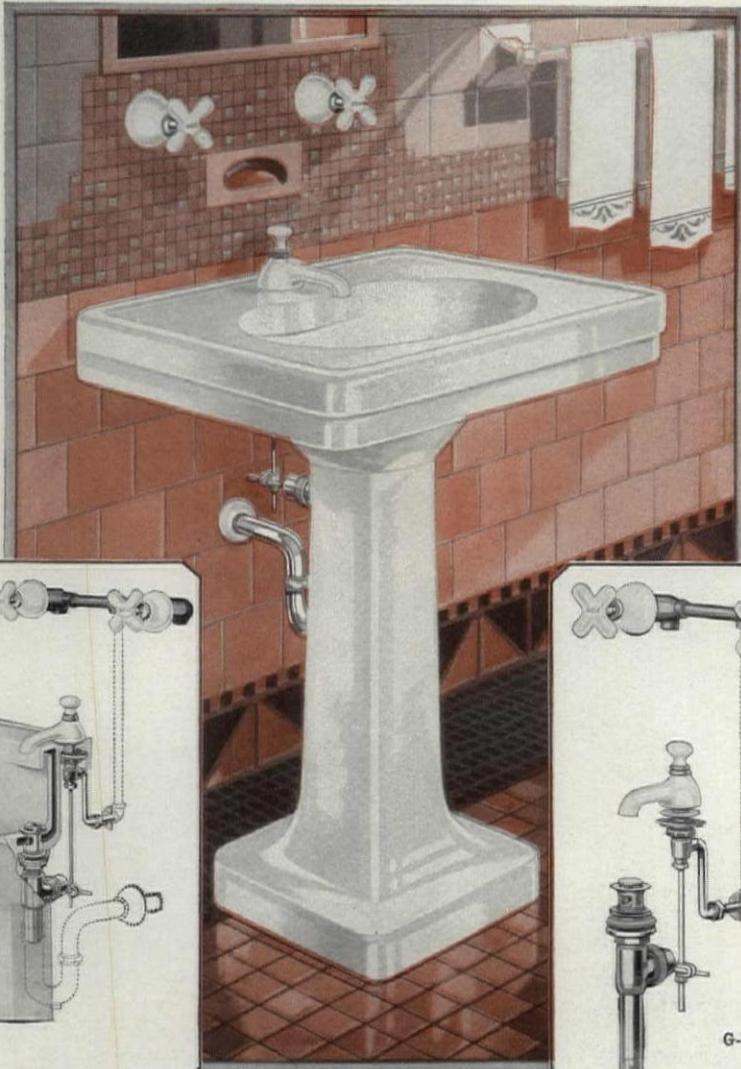
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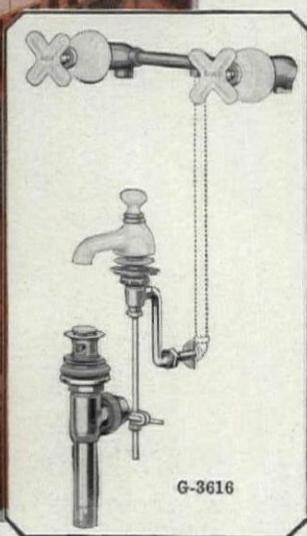
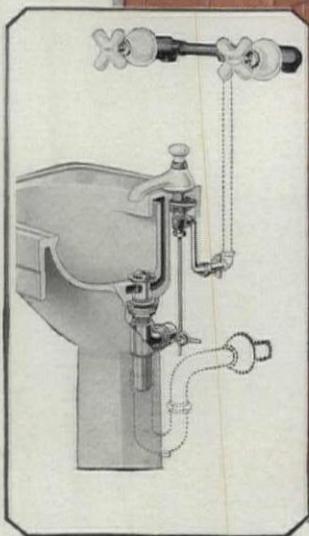
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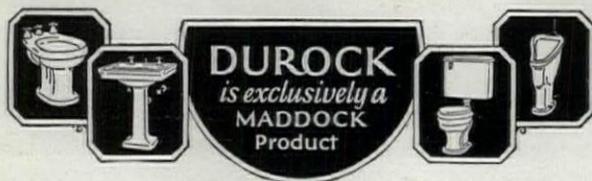
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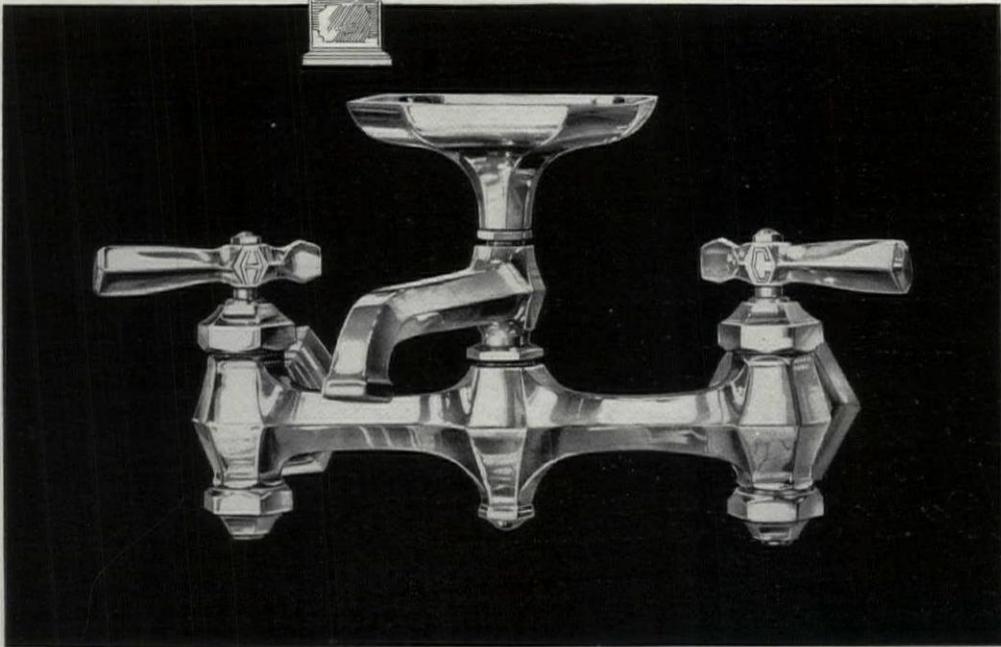


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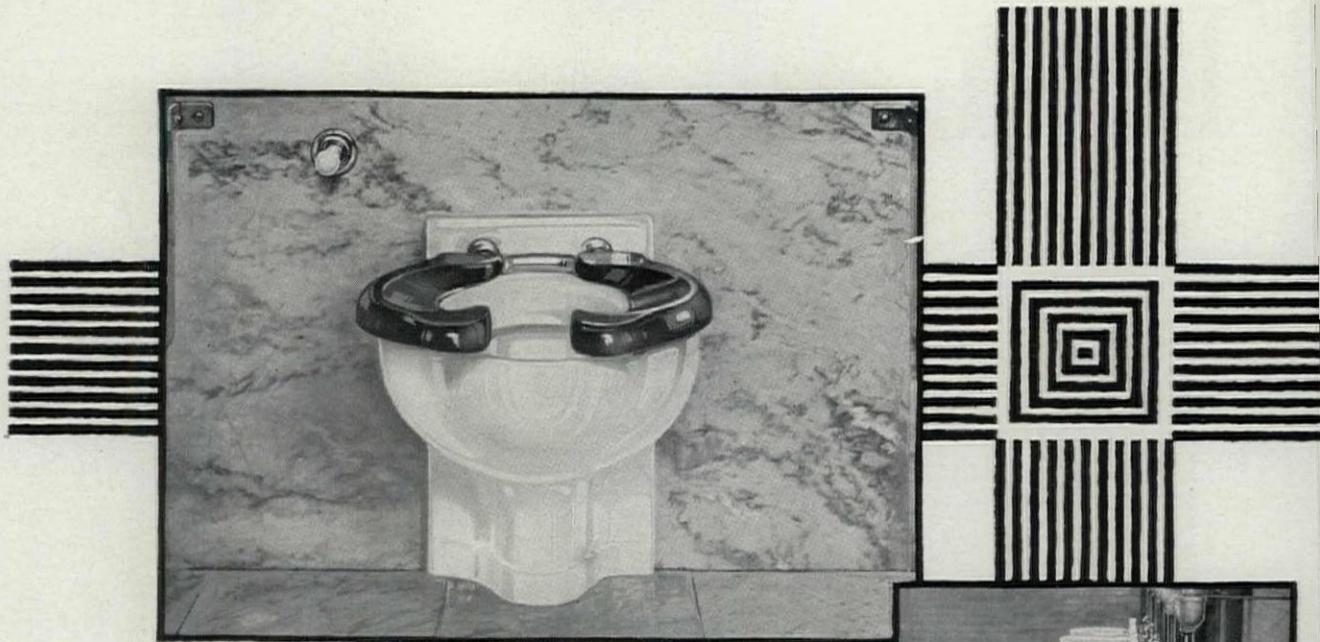
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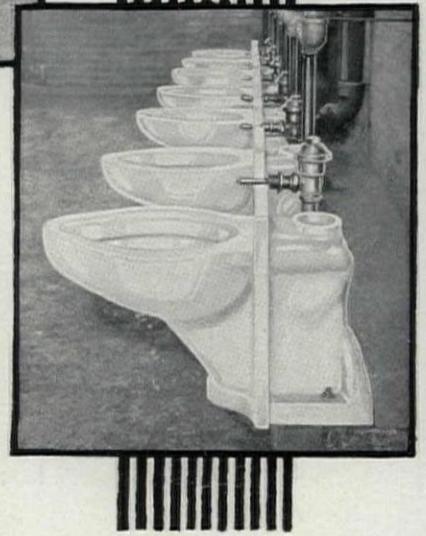
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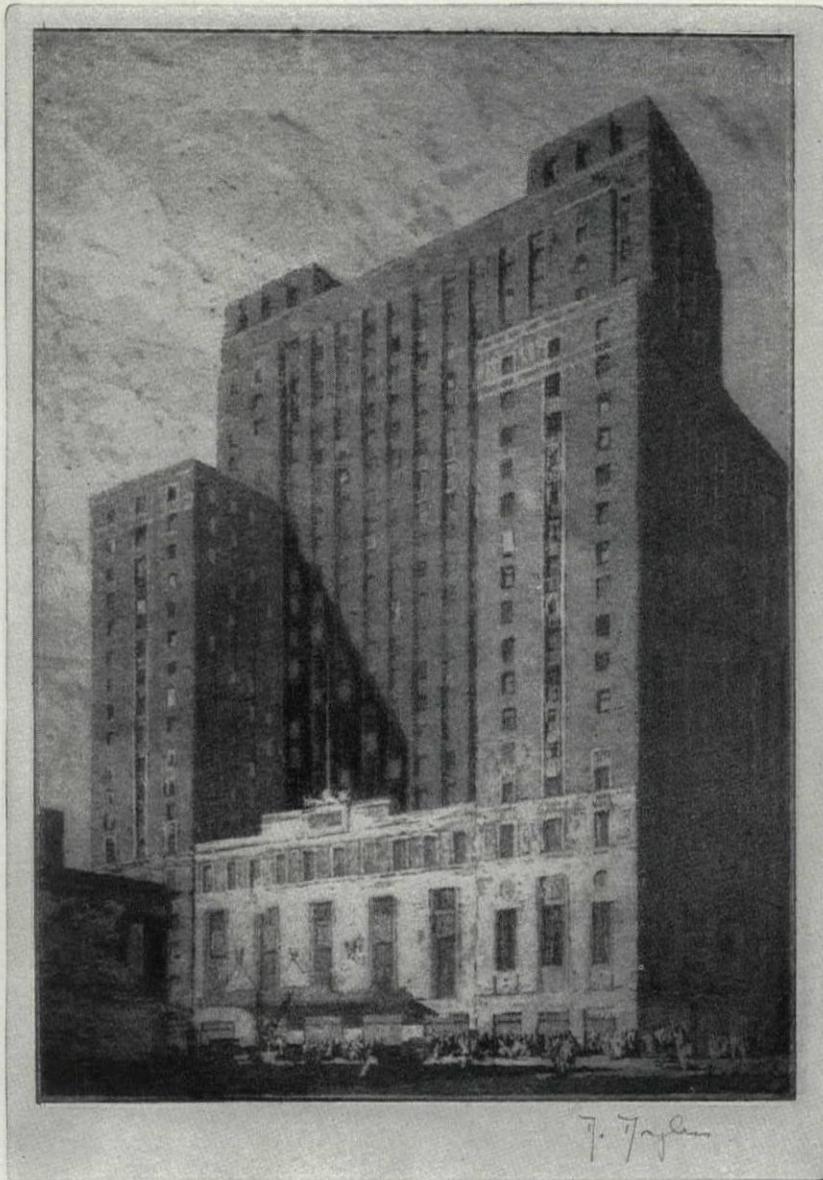
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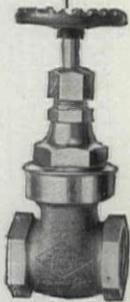
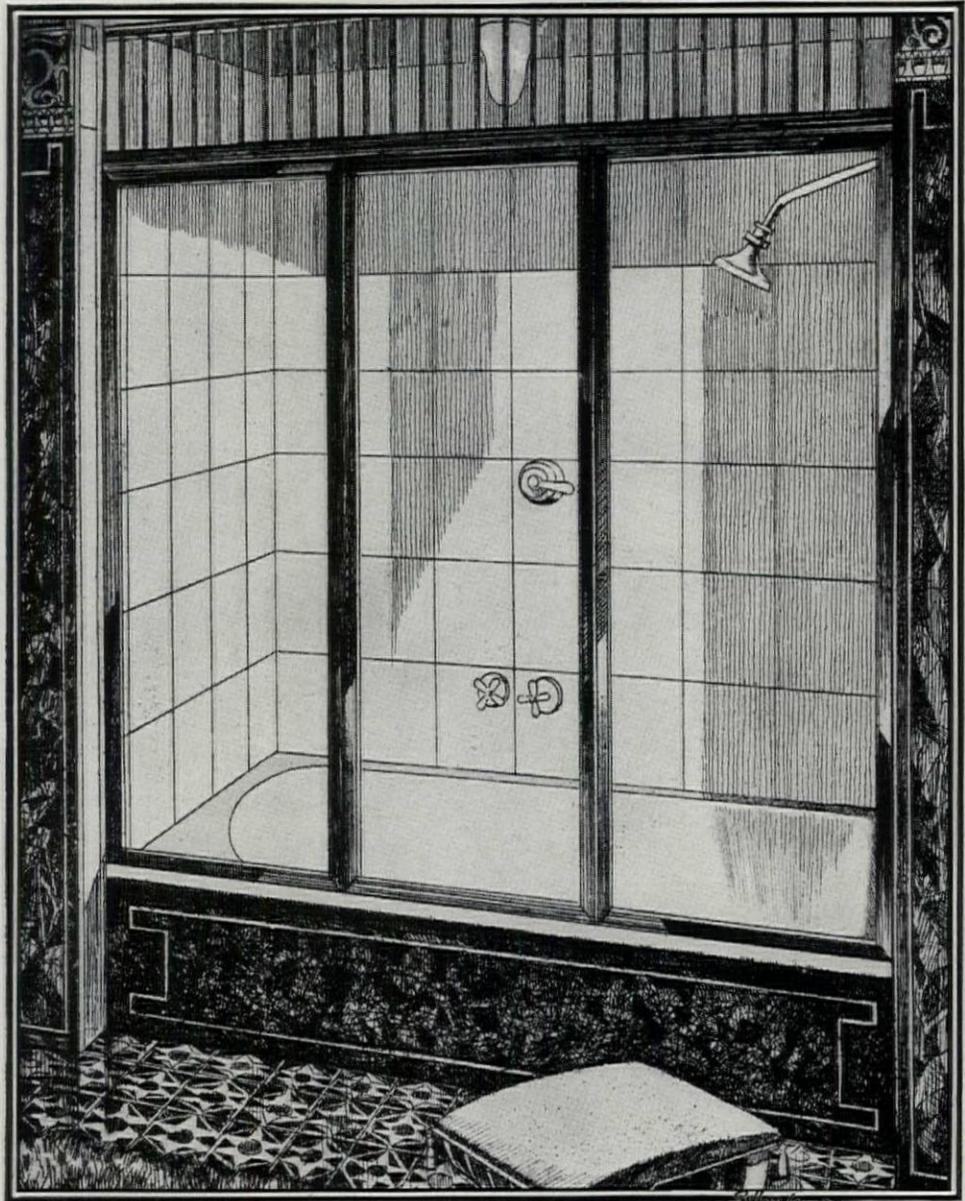


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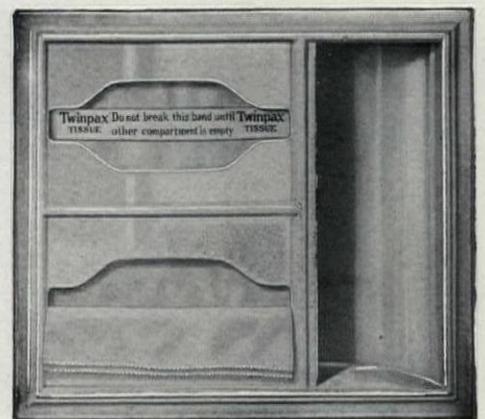
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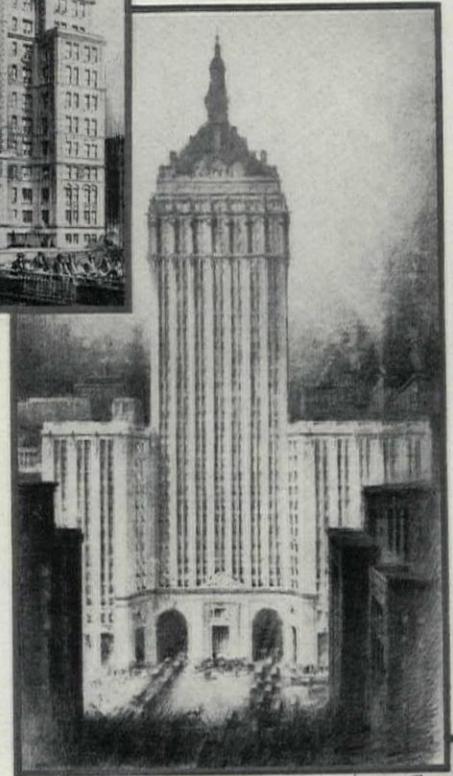
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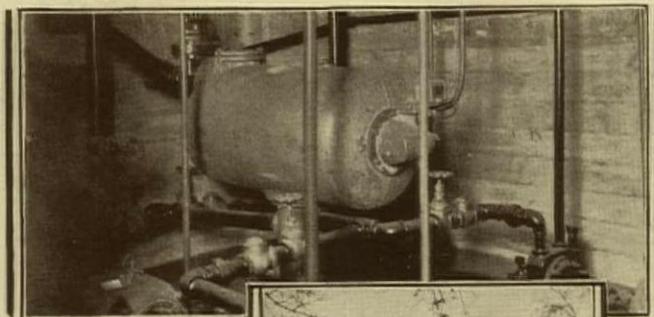


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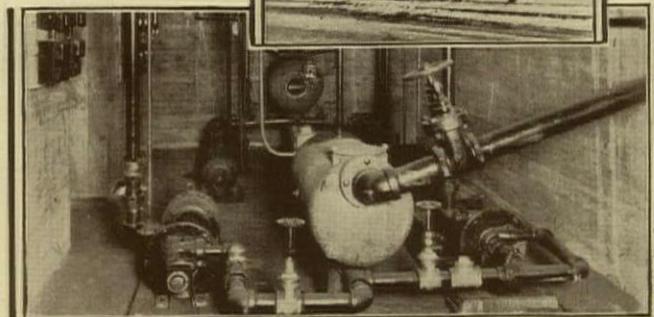
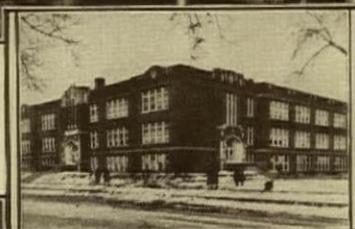


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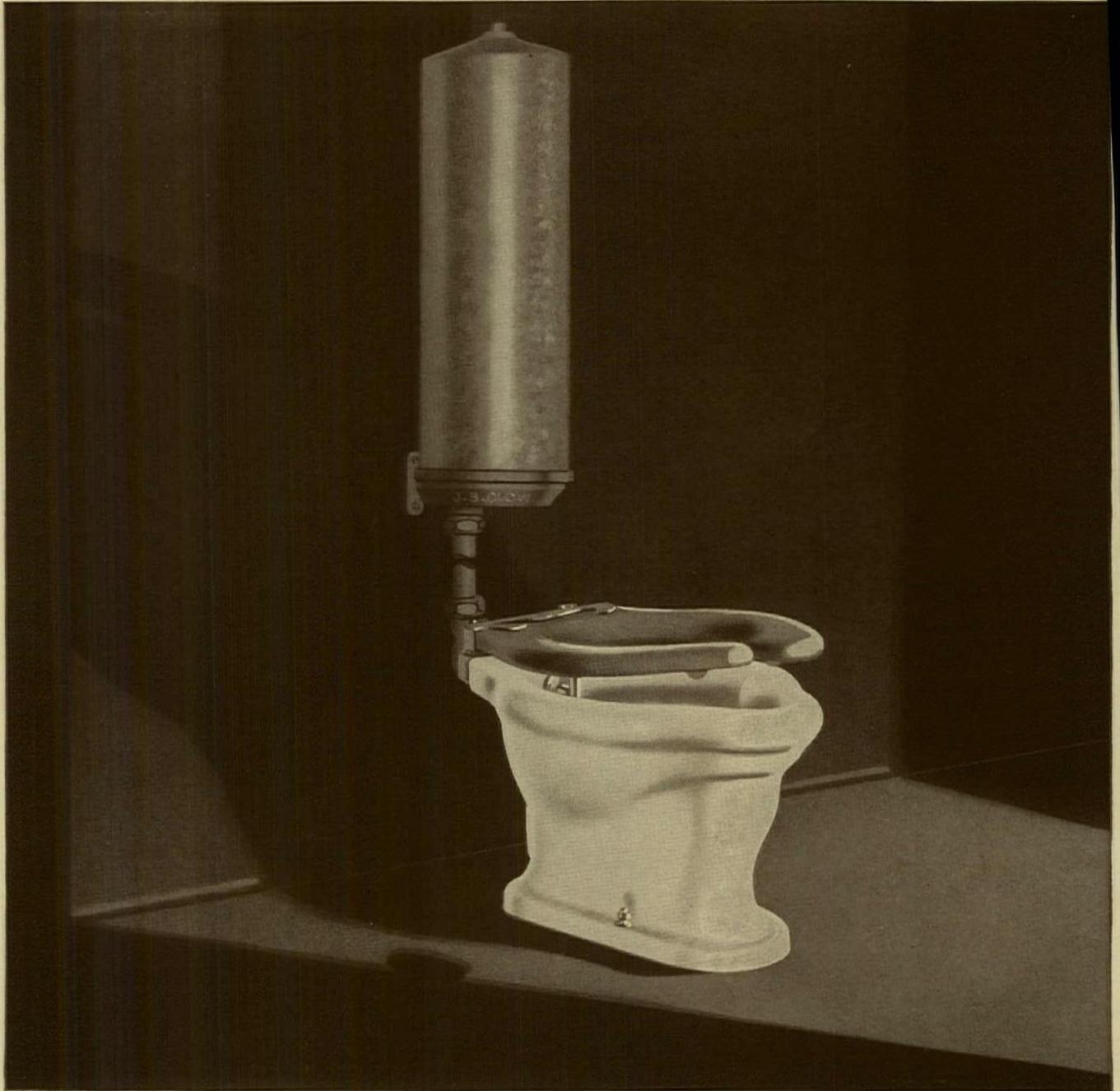
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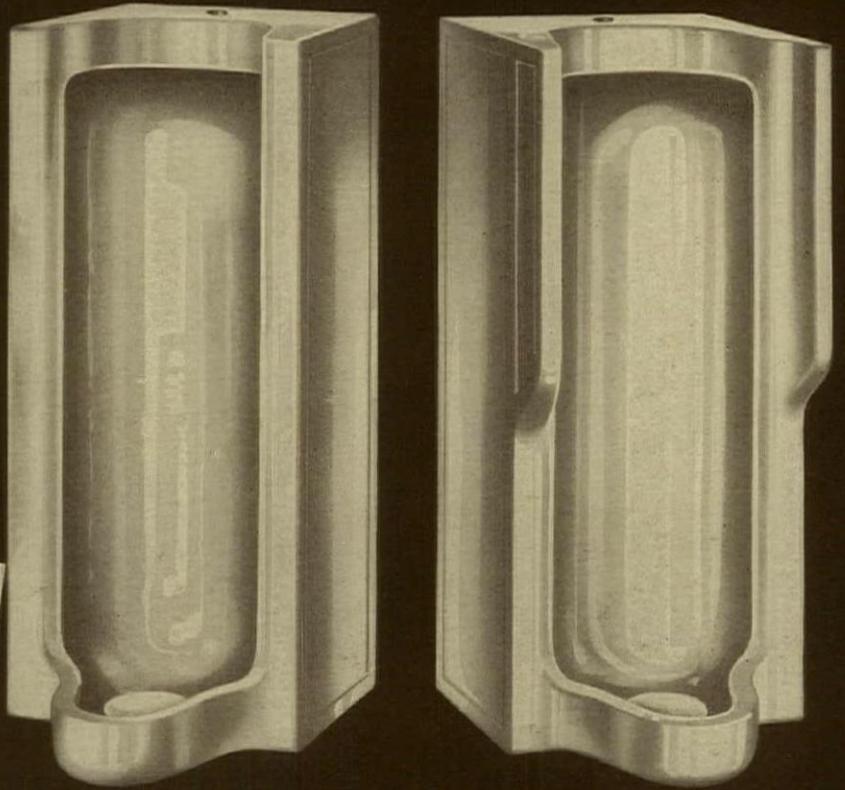
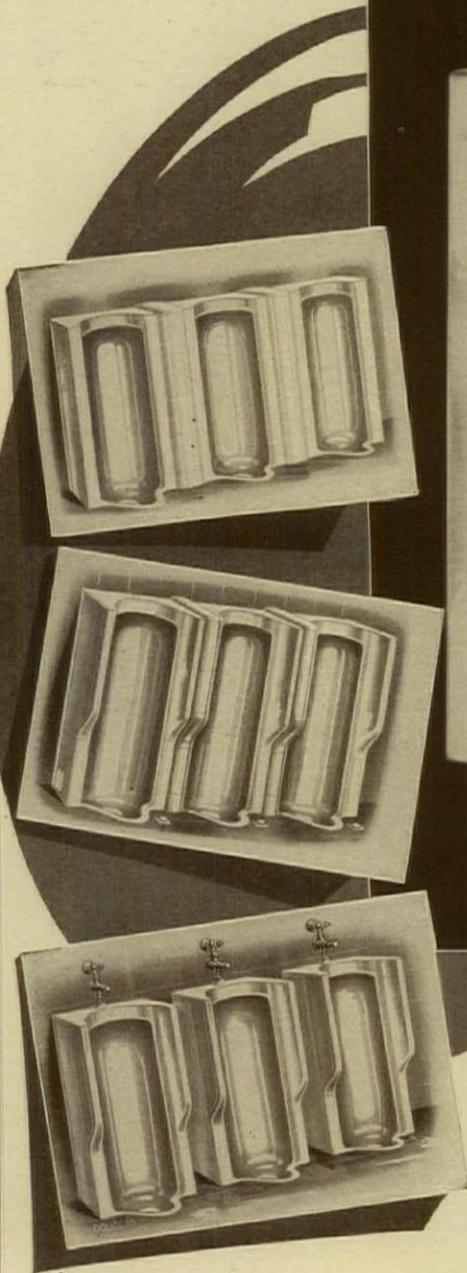
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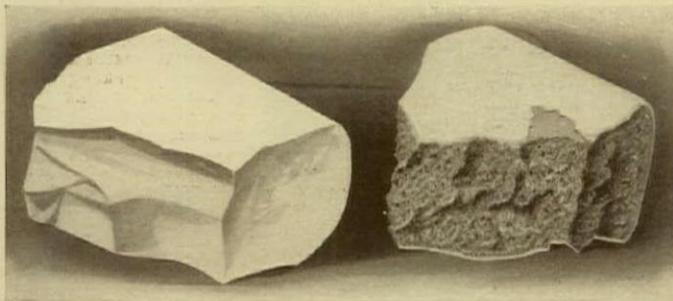
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- R. Guastavino Co.**, 40 Court St., Boston
Akoustolith Plaster. Brochure, 6 pp., 10 x 12½ ins. Important data on a valuable material.
- U. S. Gypsum Co.**, 205 W. Monroe St., Chicago, Ill.
A Scientific Solution of an Old Architectural Problem. Folder 6 pp., 8½ x 11 in. Describes Sabinite Acoustical Plaster.

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- Gillis & Gehegan**, 535 West Broadway, New York, N. Y.
General Catalog. 8½ x 11 in. 20 pp. Fully illustrated. Contains specifications in two forms (with manufacturers' name and without). Detail ¼ in. scale for each telescopic model and special material-handling section.
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BASEMENT WINDOWS

- Genfire Steel Company**, Youngstown, Ohio.
Architectural Details. Booklet, 28 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Details on steel windows. A. I. A. File No. 16E.

BATHROOM FITTINGS

- A. P. W. Paper Co.**, Albany, N. Y.
Onliwon for Fine Buildings. Folder, 8 pp. 3¼ x 6 in. Illustrated. Deals with toilet paper fittings of metal and porcelain. Architects' File Card. 8½ x 11 in. Illustrated. Filing card on toilet paper and paper towel cabinets.
- A Towel Built for Its Job**. Booklet, 8 pp. 4¼ x 9½ in. Illustrated. Paper Towel System and Cabinets.
- Cabinets and Fixtures**. Booklet, 31 pp. 5¼ x 4¼ in. Illustrated. Catalog and price list of fixtures and cabinets.

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- Common Brick Mfrs. Assn. of America**, 2134 Guarantee Title Bldg., Cleveland.
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- Building Economy**. Monthly magazine, 22 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. \$1 per year, 10 cents a copy. For architects, builders and contractors.

CEMENT

- Carney Company, The**, Mankato, Minn.
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- Cement Gun Company, Inc.**, Allentown, Pa.
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- Kosmos Portland Cement Company**, Louisville, Ky.
Kosmotar for Enduring Masonry. Folder, 6 pp., 3½ x 6½ in. Data on strength and working qualities of Kosmotar.
- Kosmotar, the Mortar for Cold Weather**. Folder, 4 pp., 3½ x 6½ in. Tells why Kosmotar should be used in cold weather.
- Lawrence Cement Co.**, New York, Boston and Philadelphia.
Dragon Super Cement. Booklet, 20 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. Data on a valuable waterproof material.
- Louisville Cement Co.**, 315 Guthrie St., Louisville, Ky.
BRIXMENT for Perfect Mortar. Self-filing handbook 8½ x 11 inches. 16 pp. Illustrated. Contains complete technical description of BRIXMENT for brick, tile and stone masonry, specifications, data and tests.
- North American Cement Corporation**, 285 Madison Ave., New York.
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- Pennsylvania-Dixie Cement Corp'n.**, 131 East 46th St., New York.
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- Celite Products Company**, Chicago, New York, Los Angeles.
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- Better Concrete**; Engineering Service Bulletin X-325. Booklet, 16 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. On use of Celite to secure workability in concrete, to prevent segregation and to secure water-tightness.
- Economic Value of Admixtures**. Booklet, 32 pp., 6½ x 9½ ins. Reprint of papers by J. C. Pearson and Frank A. Hitchcock before 1924 American Concrete Institute.
- Concrete Surface Corporation**, 342 Madison Ave., New York.
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- Dovetail Anchor Slot Co.**, 149 West Ohio St., Chicago.
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- National Building Units Corporation**, 1600 Arch St., Philadelphia.
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- Philadelphia. Cinder Concrete Building Units**. Brochure, 36 pp., 8½ x 10¼ ins. Illustrated. Full data on an important building material.
- Kosmos Portland Cement Company**, Louisville, Ky.
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- The Master Builders Co.**, 7016 Euclid Ave., Cleveland.
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- Master Builders Co.**, Cleveland, Ohio.
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- National Fire Proofing Co.**, 250 Federal St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Standard Fire Proofing Bulletin 171. 8½ x 11 in. 32 pp. Illustrated. A treatise on fireproof floor construction.
- Northwestern Expanded Metal Co.**, 1234 Old Colony Building, Chicago, Ill.
Northwestern Expanded Metal Products. Booklet. 8½ x 10¼ in. 16 pp. Fully illustrated, and describes different products of this company, such as Kno-burn metal lath, 20th Century Corrugated, Plaster-Sava and Longspan lath channels, etc.
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- Philip Carey Co.**, Lockland, Cincinnati, Ohio.
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- The Master Builders Co.**, 7016 Euclid Ave., Cleveland.
Waterproofing and Damp Proofing Specification Manual. Booklet. 18 pp. 8½ x 11 in. Deals with methods and materials used.
- Waterproofing and Damp Proofing**. File. 36 pp. Complete descriptions and detailed specifications for materials used in building with concrete.
- Sonneborn Sons, Inc.**, 116 Fifth Ave., New York.
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- The Vortex Mfg. Co.**, Cleveland, Ohio.
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The American Brass Company, Waterbury, Conn.
Anaconda Architectural Bronze Extruded Shapes. Brochure, 180 pp., 8½ x 11 in., illustrating and describing more than 2,000 standard bronze shapes of cornices, jamb casings, mouldings, etc.

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Sedgwick Machine Works, 151 West 15th St., New York.
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General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.
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"The House of a Hundred Comforts." Booklet, 40 pp., 8 x 10½ ins. Illustrated. Dwells on importance of adequate wiring.

Pick & Company, Albert, 208 West Randolph St., Chicago, Ill.
School Cafeterias. Booklet, 9 x 6 in. Illustrated. The design and equipment of school cafeterias with photographs of installation and plans for standardized outfits.

Signal Engineering & Mfg. Co., 154 W. 14th St., New York.
Signal Call Code System. Booklet, 16 pp., 8½ x 10 ins. Illustrated. Important telephone accessories.

Fire Alarm Systems.—Bulletin A-35. 12 pp., 8½ x 9½ ins. Illustrated. Data on fire alarm equipment.

Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co., East Pittsburgh, Pa.
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Variable-Voltage Central Systems as applied to Electric Elevators. Booklet, 13 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. Deals with an important detail of elevator mechanism.

Modern Electrical Equipment for Buildings. Booklet, 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. Lists many useful appliances.

Electrical Equipment for Heating and Ventilating Systems. Booklet, 24 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. This is "Motor Application Circular 7379."

Westinghouse Panelboards and Cabinets (Catalog 42-A). Booklet, 32 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. Important data on these details of equipment.

Beauty; Power; Silence; Westinghouse Fans (Dealer Catalog 45). Brochure, 16 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. Valuable information on fans and their uses.

Electric Range Book for Architects (A. I. A. Standard Classification 31 G-4). Booklet, 24 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. Cooking apparatus for buildings of various types.

Westinghouse Commercial Cooking Equipment (Catalog 280). Booklet, 32 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. Equipment for cooking on a large scale.

Electric Appliances (Catalog 44-A). 32 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Deals with accessories for home use.

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Escalators. Booklet, 8½ x 11 ins. 22 pp. Illustrated. Describes use of escalators in subways, department stores, theaters and industrial buildings. Also includes elevators and dock elevators.

Richards-Wilcox Mfg. Co., Aurora, Ill.
Elevators. Booklet, 8½ x 11 ins. 24 pp. Illustrated. Describes complete line of "Ideal" elevator door hardware and checking devices, also automatic safety devices.

Sedgwick Machine Works, 151 West 15th St., New York, N. Y. . . .
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Concrete Engineering Co., Omaha, Nebr.
"Handbook of Fireproof Construction." Booklet, 53 pp., 8½ x 11 in. Valuable work on methods of fireproofing.

FIREPROOFING

Genfire Steel Company, Youngstown, Ohio.
Fireproofing Handbook, 8½ x 11 in. 32 pp. Illustrated. Gives methods of construction, specifications, data on Herringbone metals, lath, steel tile, Trussit solid partitions, steel joists, Self-Centering formless concrete construction.

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North Western Expanded Metal Co., 407 South Dearborn St., Chicago.

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J. G. Robinson, 6202 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia.
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Truscon Steel Co., Youngstown, Ohio.
Truscon Floretype Construction. Booklet, 8½ x 11 in., 16 pp. Illustrations of actual jobs under construction. Lists of properties and information on proper construction. Proper method of handling and tables of safe loads.

Structural Gypsum Corporation, Linden, N. J.
Gypsteel Pre-cast Fireproof Floors. Booklet, 36 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. Data on flooring.

FLOORING

Armstrong Cork & Insulation Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Armstrong's Cork Tile Floors. Booklet, 7¼ x 10½ in. 30 pp. An illustrated work on cork flooring.

Linotile for Home Floors. Brochure, 7½ x 10½ ins. 27 pp. and colored enclosures of floor installations.

Armstrong Cork Co. (Linoleum Division), Lancaster, Pa.
Armstrong's Linoleum Floors. Catalog, 8½ x 11 in. 40 pp. Color plates. A technical treatise on linoleum, including table of gauges and weights and specifications for installing linoleum floors.

Armstrong's Linoleum Pattern Book, 1927. Catalog, 3½ x 6 in. 272 pp. Color Plates. Reproduction in color of all patterns of linoleum and cork carpet in the Armstrong line.

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Enduring Floors of Good Taste. Booklet, 6 x 9 in. 48 pp. Illustrated in color. Explains use of linoleum for offices, stores, etc., with reproductions in color of suitable patterns, also specifications and instructions for laying.

Barber Asphalt Co., Philadelphia.
Specifications for Applying Genasco Asphalt Mastic. Booklet. 8 x 10½ in. Directions for using Asphalt Mastic for flooring.

Blabon Company, Geo. W., Nicetown, Philadelphia, Pa.
Planning the Color Schemes for Your Home. Brochure illustrated in color; 36 pp., 7½ x 10½ in. Gives excellent suggestions for use of color in flooring for houses and apartments.

Handy Quality Sample Folder of Linoleums. Gives actual samples of "Battleship Linoleum," cork carpet, "Feltex," etc.

Blabon's Linoleum. Booklet illustrated in color; 128 pp., 3½ x 8½ in. Gives patterns of a large number of linoleums.

Blabon's Plain Linoleum and Cork Carpet. Gives quality samples, 3 x 6 in. of various types of floor coverings.

Bonded Floors Company, Inc., 1421 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.
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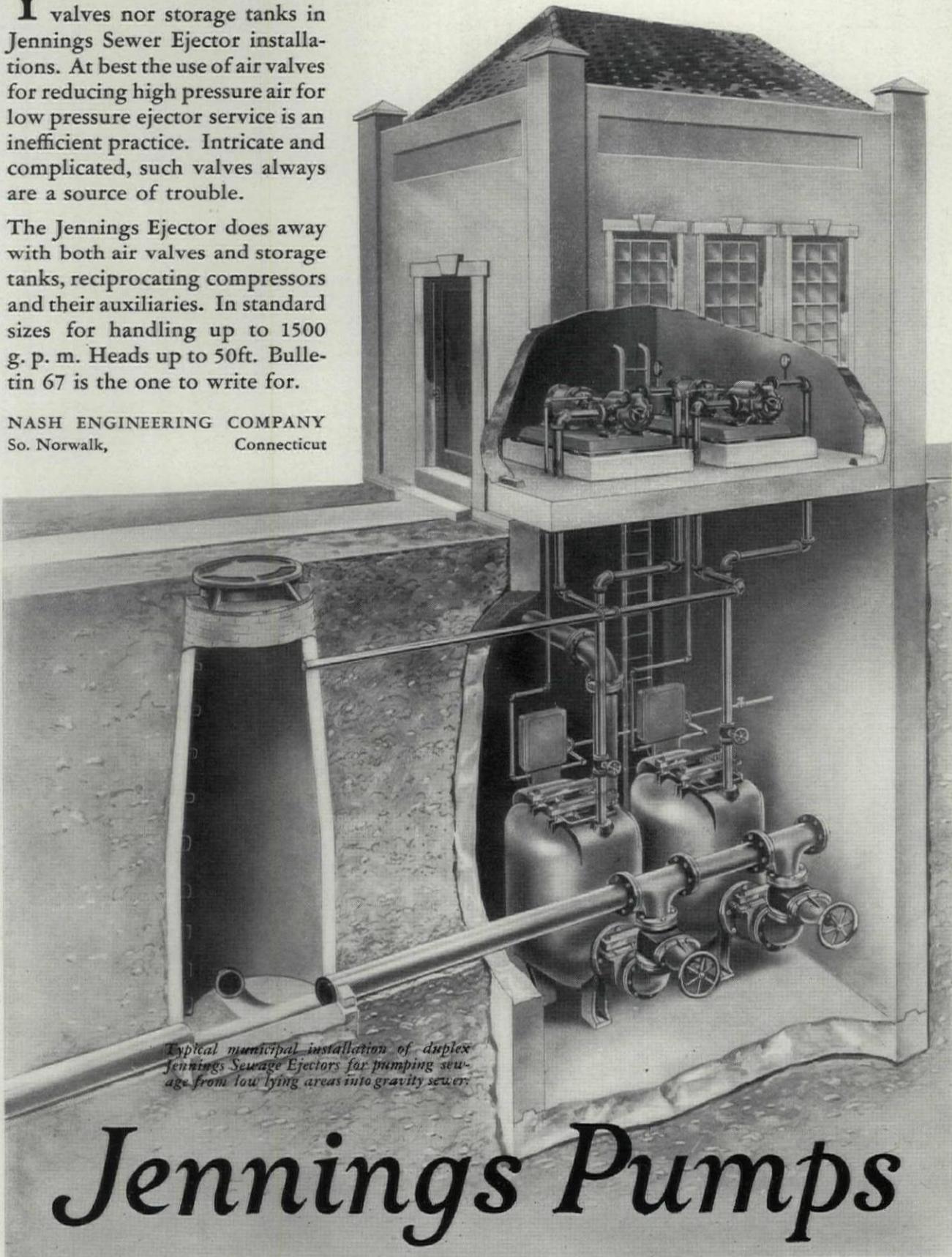
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- United States Quarry Tile Co.**, Parkersburg, W. Va.
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- Art Portfolio of Floor Designs.** 9¼ x 12¼ ins. Illustrated in colors. Patterns of quarry tiles for floors.
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- Kittinger Co.**, 1893 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.
Kittinger Club & Hotel Furniture. Booklet. 20 pp. 6¼ x 9¼ ins. Illustrated. Deals with fine line of furniture for hotels, clubs, institutions, schools, etc.
- Kittinger Club and Hotel Furniture.** Booklet. 20 pp. 6 x 9 ins. Illustrated. Data on furniture for hotels and clubs.
- McKinney Mfg. Co.**, Pittsburgh.
Forethought Furniture Plans. Sheets, 6¼ x 9 ins., drawn to ¼-inch scale. An ingenious device for determining furniture arrangement.
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- William H. Lutton Company**, 267 Kearney Ave., Jersey City, N. J.
Greenhouses of Quality. Booklet, 50 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. Conservatories making use of Lutton Patented Galvanized Steel V-Bar.

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- James B. Clow & Sons**, 534 S. Franklin St., Chicago.
Clow Gasteam Vented Heating System. Brochure, 24 pp., 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. Deals with a valuable form of heating equipment for using gas.
- C. A. Dunham Company**, 450 East Ohio Street, Chicago, Ill.
Dunham Radiator Trap. Bulletin 101. 8 x 11 in. 12 pp. Illustrated. Explains working of this detail of heating apparatus.
- Dunham Packless Radiator Valves.** Bulletin 104. 8 x 11 in. 8 pp. Illustrated. A valuable brochure on valves.
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- The Dunham Differential Vacuum Heating System.** Bulletin 115. Brochure, 12 pp., 8 x 11 ins. Illustrated. Deals with heating for large buildings.
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Molby Heating Boiler. Booklet, 24 pp., 4 x 9 ins. Illustrated. Deals with well known line of boilers.
- Chimney Construction.** Booklet, 26 pp., 6 x 9 ins. Data recommended by National Board of Fire Underwriters.
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- No. 25.** Illustrating Jennings Return Line Vacuum Heating Pumps. Size M, for equivalent direct radiation up to 5,000 square feet.
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Trane Co., The, La Crosse, Wis.
Bulletin 14. 16 pp., $8\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$ in. Covers the complete line of Trane Heating Specialties, including Trane Bellows Traps, and Trane Bellows Packless Valves.
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The International Nickel Company, 67 Wall St., New York, N. Y.
Hospital Applications of Monel Metal. Booklet, $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$ in. 16 pp. Illustrated. Gives types of equipment in which Monel Metal is used, reasons for its adoption, with sources of such equipment.
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- Pick & Company, Albert**, 208 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Ill.
Some Thoughts on Furnishing a Hotel. Booklet, $7\frac{1}{2} \times 9$ ins. Data on complete outfitting of hotels.

INCINERATORS

- Kerner Incinerator Company**, 715 E. Water St., Milwaukee, Wis.
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Cabot, Inc., Samuel, Boston, Mass.
Cabot's Insulating Quilt. Booklet, $7\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$ ins., 24 pp. Illustrated. Deals with a valuable type of insulation.
Philip Carey Co., The, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Carey Asbestos and Magnesia Products. Catalog. 6 x 9 in. 72 pp. Illustrated.
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The Insulation of Boilers. Booklet. 8 pp., $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ ins. Illustrated. On insulating boiler walls, breechings, and stacks to reduce amount of radiation.
Heat Insulation Specifications and Blue Prints. Booklet, 20 pp., $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ ins. Illustrated. On approved types of insulation.

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- Structural Gypsum Corporation**, Linden, N. J.
Heat Insulation Value of Gypsteel. Folder, 4 pp., $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ ins. Brochure, by Charles L. Norton, of M. I. T.

JOISTS

- Bates Expanded Steel Truss Co.**, East Chicago, Ind.
Catalog No. 4. Booklet, 32 pp., $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ ins. Illustrated. Gives details of truss construction with loading tables and specifications.
Genfire Steel Company, Youngstown, Ohio.
Steel Joists. $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ ins. 32 pp. A. I. A. File Number 13G. Illustrated. Complete data on T-Bar and Plate-Girder joists including construction details and specifications.

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- The International Nickel Company**, 67 Wall St., New York, N. Y.
Hotels, Restaurants and Cafeteria Applications of Monel Metal. Booklet. $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ in. 32 pp. Illustrated. Gives types of equipment in which Monel Metal is used, with service data and sources of equipment.
McDougall Company, Frankfort, Ind.
Kitchens for Homes and Apartments. Booklet, 32 pp., $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ ins. Illustrated. Views and plans of conveniently equipped kitchens.
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Pick & Company, Albert, 208 W. Randolph St., Chicago, Ill.
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Steeltex Data Sheet No. 3. Folder, 8 pp., $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ ins. Illustrated. Steeltex for folders on wood joists.
Northwestern Expanded Metal Co., 1234 Old Colony Building, Chicago, Ill.
Northwestern Expanded Metal Products. Booklet, $8\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$ in., 20 pp. Fully illustrated, and describes different products of this company, such as Kno-burn metal lath, 20th Century Corrugated. Plasta-saver and Longspan lath channels, etc.
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Northwest Metal Lath. Folder. $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ ins. Illustrated. Data on Flat Rib Lath.
Truscon Steel Company, Youngstown, Ohio.
Truscon $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch Hy-Rib for Roofs, Floors and Walls. Booklet, $\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ in., illustrating Truscon $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch Hy-Rib as used in industrial buildings. Plates of typical construction. Progressive steps of construction. Specification and load tables.

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- The Pfaufler Company**, 217 Cutler Building, Rochester, N. Y.
Pfaufler Glass-Lined Steel Laundry Chutes. Booklet, $5\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{3}{4}$ in. 16 pp. Illustrated. A beautifully printed brochure describing in detail with architects' specifications THE PFAUFLER GLASS LINED STEEL LAUNDRY CHUTES. Contains views of installations and list of representative examples.

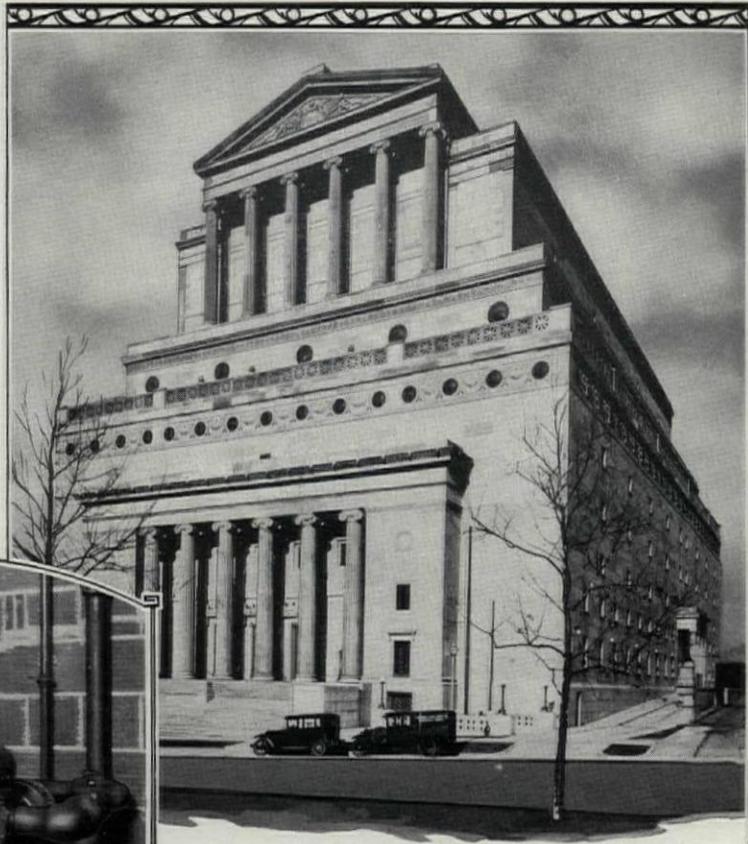
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- American Laundry Machinery Co.**, Norwood Station, Cincinnati, Ohio.
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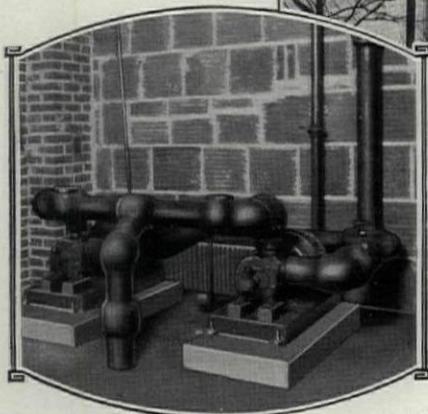
LIBRARY EQUIPMENT

- Art Metal Construction Co.**, Jamestown, N. Y.
Planning the Library for Protection and Service. Brochure, 52 pp., $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ in. Illustrated. Deals with library fittings of different kinds.
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- Gleason-Tiebout Glass Co. (Celestialite Division)**, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York.
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- Smyser-Royer Co.**, 1700 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.
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- Cutler Mail Chute Company**, Rochester, N. Y.
Cutler Mail Chute Model F. Booklet. 4 x 9¼ in. 8 pp. Illustrated.

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- Arthur Todhunter**, 119 E. 57th St., New York, N. Y.
Georgian Mantels. New Booklet. 24 pp. 5¼ x 6¼ in. A fully illustrated brochure on eighteenth century mantels. Folders give prices of mantels and illustrations and prices of fireplace equipment.

MARBLE

- The Georgia Marble Company**, Tate, Ga. New York Office, 1328 Broadway.
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- Georgia Marble Company**, Tate, Ga.
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METALS

- The International Nickel Company**, 67 Wall St., New York, N. Y.
The Choice of a Metal. Booklet, 6¼ x 3 in. 166 pp. Illustrated. Monel Metal—its qualities, use and commercial forms, briefly described.

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- Curtis Companies Service Bureau**, Clinton, Iowa.
Architectural Interior and Exterior Woodwork. Standardized Book. 9 x 11½ in. 240 pp. Illustrated. This is an Architects' Edition of the complete catalog of Curtis Woodwork, as designed by Trowbridge & Ackerman. Contains many color plates.
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- Hartmann-Sanders Company**, 2155 Elston Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Column Catalog, 7½ x 10 in. 48 pp. Illustrated. Contains prices on columns 6 to 36 in. diameter, various designs and illustrations of columns and installations.
The Pergola Catalog, 7½ x 10 in. 64 pp. Illustrated. Contains illustrations of pergola lattices, garden furniture in wood and cement, garden accessories.
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- National Lead Company**, 111 Broadway, New York, N. Y.
Handy Book on Painting. Book. 5½ x 3¼ in. 100 pp. Gives directions and formulae for painting various surfaces of wood, plaster, metals, etc., both interior and exterior.
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- Pratt & Lambert, Inc.**, Buffalo, N. Y.
Specification Manual for Paint, Varnishing and Enameling. Booklet, 38 pp., 7½ x 10½ ins. Complete specifications for painting, varnishing and enameling interior and exterior wood, plaster, and metal work.
- Sherwin-Williams Company**, 601 Canal Rd., Cleveland, Ohio.
Painting Concrete and Stucco Surfaces. Bulletin No. 1. 8½ x 11 in. 8 pp. Illustrated. A complete treatise with complete specifications on the subject of Painting of Concrete and Stucco Surfaces. Color chips of paint shown in bulletin.
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Protective Paints for Metal Surfaces. Bulletin No. 4. 8½ x 11 in. 12 pp. Illustrated. A highly technical subject treated in a simple, understandable manner.

- Sonneborn Sons, Inc., L.**, Dept. 4, 116 Fifth Ave., New York.
Paint Specifications. Booklet. 8½ x 10¼ in. 4 pp.

- U. S. Gutta Percha Paint Co.**, Providence, R. I.
Barreled Sunlight. Booklet, 8½ x 11 in. Data on "Barreled Sunlight" with specifications for its use.

- Valentine & Co.**, 456 Fourth Ave., New York.
How to Use Valspar. Illustrated booklet, 32 pp., 3¼ x 8 in. Deals with domestic uses for Valspar.
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- Zapon Co., The**, 247 Park Ave., New York City.
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- A. P. W. Paper Co.**, Albany, N. Y.
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- Circle A Products Corporations**, New Castle, Ind.
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- Hauserman Company**, E. F., Cleveland, Ohio.
Hollow Steel Standard Partitions. Various folders, 8½ x 11. Illustrated. Give full data on different types of steel partitions, together with details, elevations and specifications.
- Improved Office Partition Company**, 25 Grand St., Elmhurst, L. I.
Telesco Partition. Catalog. 8¼ x 11 in. 14 pp. Illustrated. Shows typical offices laid out with Telesco partitions, cuts of finished partition units in various woods. Gives specifications and cuts of buildings using Telesco.

- Detailed Instructions for erecting Telesco Partitions. Booklet. 24 pp. 8½ x 11 in. Illustrated. Complete instructions, with cuts and drawings, showing how easily Telesco Partition can be erected.

- Richards-Wilcox Mfg. Co.**, Aurora, Ill.
Partitions. Booklet. 7 x 10 in. 32 pp. Illustrated. Describes complete line of track and hangers for all styles of sliding, parallel, accordion and flush door partitions.

- U. S. Gypsum Co.**, Chicago.
Pyrobar Partition and Furring Tile. Booklet. 8½ x 11 in. 24 pp. Illustrated. Describes use and advantages of hollow tile for inner partitions.

PIPE

- American Brass Company**, Waterbury, Conn.
Bulletin B-1. Brass Pipe for Water Service. 8½ x 11 in. 28 pp. Illustrated. Gives schedule of weights and sizes (I.P.S.) of seamless brass and copper pipe, shows typical installations of brass pipe, and gives general discussion of the corrosive effect of water on iron, steel and brass pipe.



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- American Rolling Mill Company**, Middletown, Ohio.
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- Central Foundry Co.**, Graybar Building, New York.
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- Clow & Sons, James B.**, 534 S. Franklin St., Chicago, Ill.
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- Cohoes Rolling Mill Company**, Cohoes, N. Y.
Cohoes Pipe Handbook. Booklet, 40 pp., 5 x 7½ in. Data on wrought iron pipe.
- Duriron Company, Inc.**, Dayton, Ohio.
Duriron Acid, Alkali, Rust-proof Drain Pipe and Fillings. Booklet, 20 pp., 8½ x 11 in., illustrated. Important data on a valuable line of pipe.
- National Tube Co.**, Frick Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.
"National" Bulletin No. 2. Corrosion of Hot Water Pipe, 8½ x 11 in. 24 pp. Illustrated. In this bulletin is summed up the most important research dealing with hot water systems. The text matter consists of seven investigations by authorities on this subject.
- "National" Bulletin No. 3. The Protection of Pipe Against Internal Corrosion, 8½ x 11 in. 20 pp. Illustrated. Discusses various causes of corrosion, and details are given of the deactivating and deaerating systems for eliminating or retarding corrosion in hot water supply lines.
- "National" Bulletin No. 25. "National" Pipe in Large Buildings, 8½ x 11 in. 88 pp. This bulletin contains 254 illustrations of prominent buildings of all types, containing "National" Pipe, and considerable engineering data of value to architects, engineers, etc.
- Modern Welded Pipe. Book of 88 pp. 8½ x 11 in., profusely illustrated with halftone and line engravings of the important operations in the manufacture of pipe.

PLASTER

- Best Bros. Keene's Cement Co.**, Medicine Lodge, Kans.
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- Plasterers' Handbook. Booklet, 16 pp., 3½ x 5½ ins. A small manual for use of plasterers.
- Interior Walls Everlasting. Brochure, 20 pp., 6¼ x 9¼ ins. Illustrated. Describes origin of Keene's Cement and views of buildings in which it is used.

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- Central Foundry Co.**, Graybar Building, New York.
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- C. F. Church Mfg. Co.**, Holyoke, Mass.
Catalog S. W.-3. Booklet, 95 pp., 7¼ x 10½ in. Illustrated. Data on Sani-White and Sani-Black toilet seats.
- Clow & Sons, James B.**, 534 S. Franklin St., Chicago, Ill.
Catalog "M." 9¼ x 12 in. 184 pp. Illustrated. Shows complete line of plumbing fixtures for Schools, Railroads and Industrial Plants.
- Crane Company**, 836 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Plumbing Suggestions for Home Builders. Catalog. 3 x 6 in. 80 pp. Illustrated.
- Plumbing Suggestions for Industrial Plants. Catalog. 4 x 6½ in. 34 pp. Illustrated.
- Planning the Small Bathroom. Booklet. 5 x 8 in. Discusses planning bathrooms of small dimensions.
- John Douglas Co.**, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Douglas Plumbing Fixtures. Bound Volume. 200 pp. 8½ x 11 in. Illustrated. General catalog.
- Another Douglas Achievement. Folder. 4 pp. 8½ x 11 in. Illustrated. Data on new type of stall.
- Hospital. Brochure. 60 pp. 8½ x 11 in. Illustrated. Deals with fixtures for hospitals.
- Duriron Company**, Dayton, Ohio.
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- Eljer Company**, Ford City, Pa.
Complete Catalog. 3¾ x 6¼ in. 104 pp. Illustrated. Describes fully the complete Eljer line of standardized vitreous china plumbing fixtures, with diagrams, weights and measurements.
- Imperial Brass Mfg. Co.**, 1200 W. Harrison St., Chicago, Ill.
Watrous Patent Flush Valves, Duojet Water Closets, Liquid Soap Fixtures, etc. 8½ x 11 in., 136 pp., loose-leaf catalog, showing roughing-in measurements, etc.
- Maddock's Sons Company**, Thomas, Trenton, N. J.
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- Chicago Pump Company**, 2300 Wolfram St., Chicago, Ill.
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- Kewanee Private Utilities Co.**, 442 Franklin St., Kewanee, Ill.
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Trane Small Centrifugal Pumps. Booklet. 3¾ x 8 in., 16 pp. Complete data on an important type of pump.

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- Lorillard Refrigerator Company**, Kingston, N. Y.
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- Genfire Steel Company**, Youngstown, Ohio.
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- Truscon Steel Company**, Youngstown, Ohio.
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- North Western Expanded Metal Company**, Chicago, Ill.
Designing Data. Book. 6 x 9 in. 96 pp. Illustrated. Covers the use of Econo Expanded Metal for various types of reinforced concrete construction.
- Longspan ¼-inch Rib Lath. Folder 4 pp., 8½ x 11 in. Illustrated. Deals with a new type of V-rit expanded metal.

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- Barber Asphalt Co.**, Philadelphia, Pa.
Specifications, Genasco Standard Trinidad Lake Asphalt Built-up Roofing. Booklet. 8 x 10½ in. Gives specifications for use of several valuable roofing and waterproofing materials.
- The Barrett Company**, 40 Rector St., New York City.
Architects' and Engineers' Built-up Roofing Reference Series; Volume IV Roof Drainage System. Brochure. 63 pp. 8½ x 11¼ in. Gives complete data and specifications for many details of roofing.
- Philip Carey Co.**, Lockland, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Architect Specifications for Carey Built-up Roofing. Booklet. 8 x 10¼ in. 24 pp. Illustrated. Complete data to aid in specifying the different types of built-up roofing to suit the kind of roof construction to be covered.
- Carey Built-up Roofing for Modern School Buildings. Booklet. 8 x 10¼ in. 32 pp. Illustrated. A study of school buildings of a number of different kinds and the roofing materials adapted for each.
- Heinz Roofing Tile Co.**, 1925 West Third Avenue, Denver.
Plymouth-Shingle Tile with Sprocket Hips. Leaflet, 8½ x 11 in. Illustrated. Shows use of English shingle tile with special hips.
- Italian Promenade Floor Tile. Folder, 2 pp., 8½ x 11 in. Illustrated. Floor tiling adapted from that of Davanzati Palace.
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- Ludowici-Celadon Company**, 104 So. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill.
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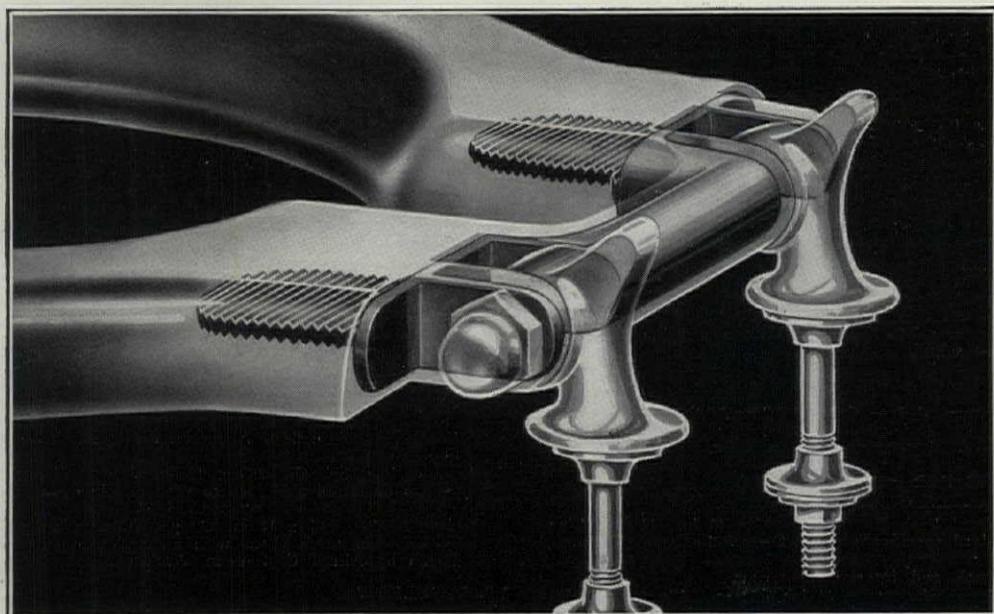
- Smith & Egge Mfg. Co., The**, Bridgeport, Conn.
Chain Catalog. 6 x 8½ in. 24 pp. Illustrated. Covers complete line of chains.

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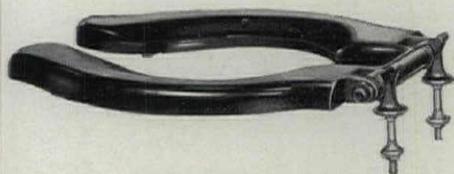
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- American Brass Co., The,** Waterbury, Conn.
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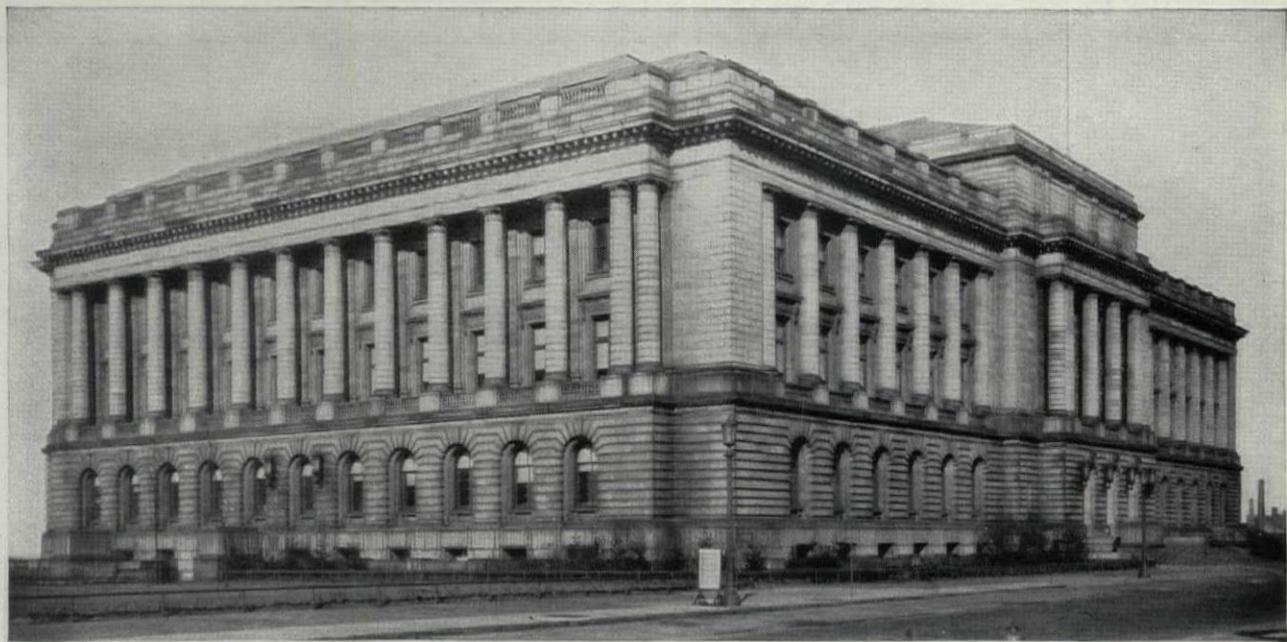
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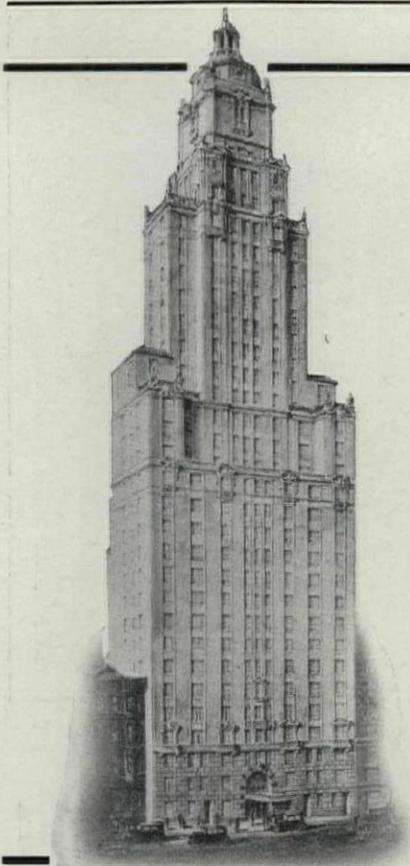
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- Master Builders Company**, Cleveland, Ohio.
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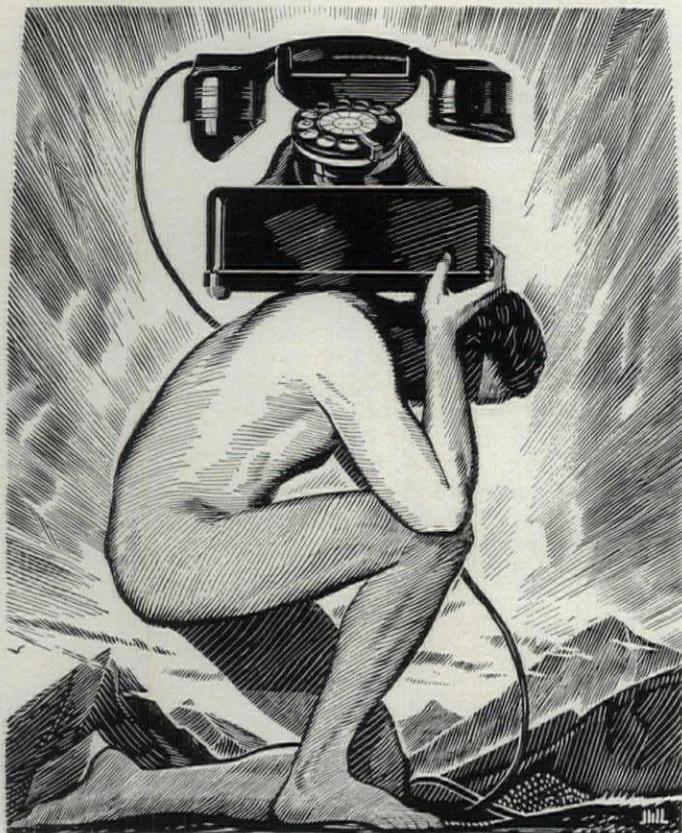
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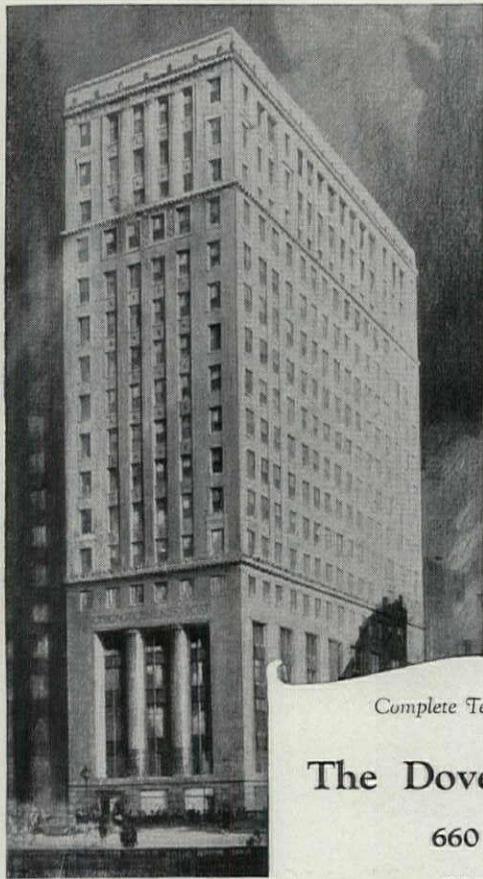
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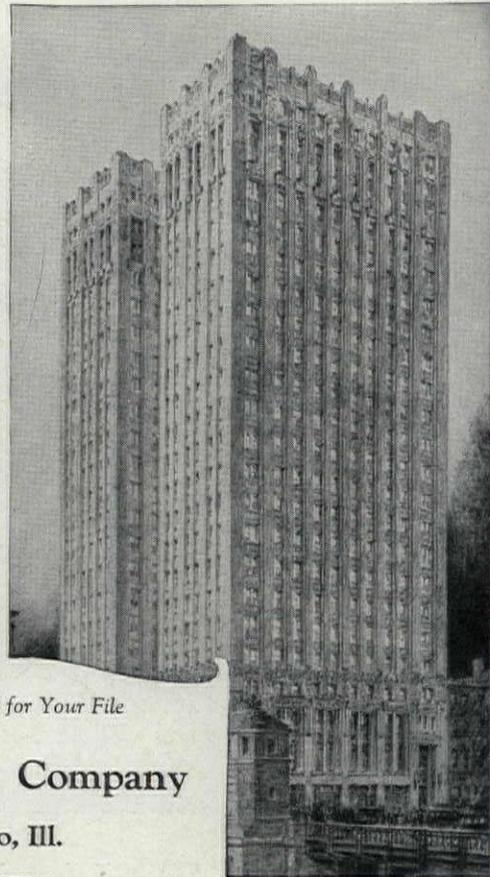
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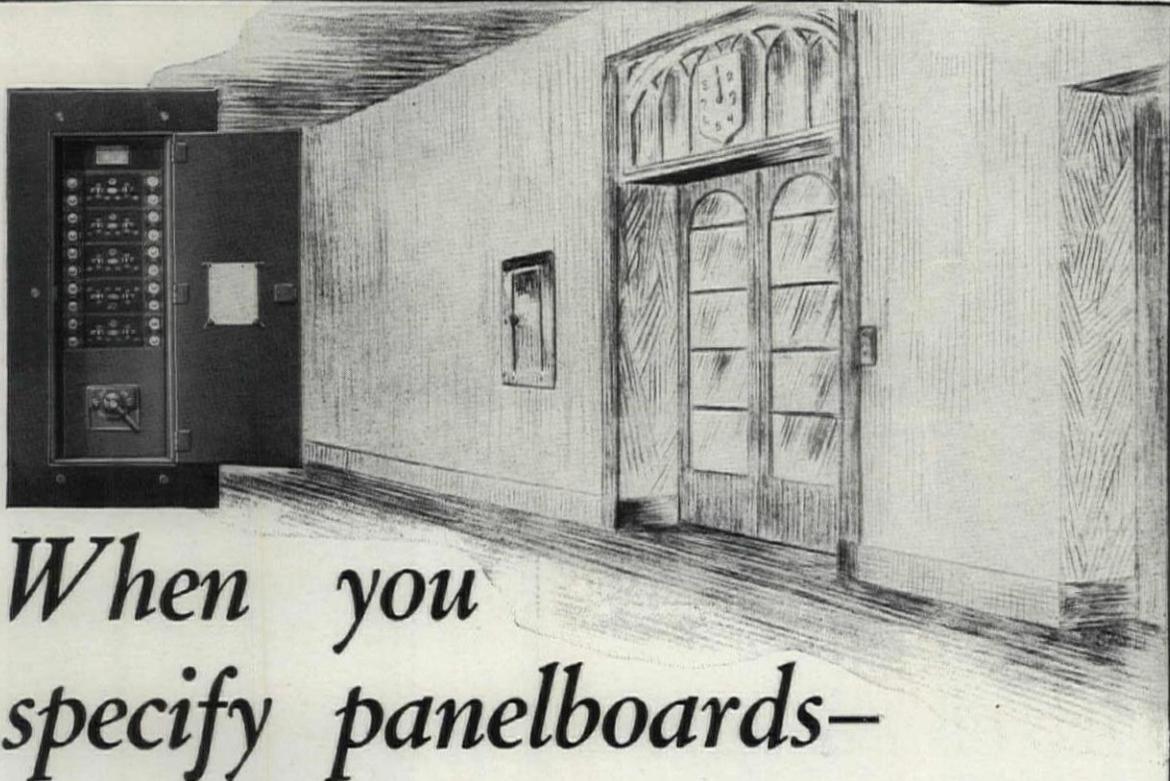
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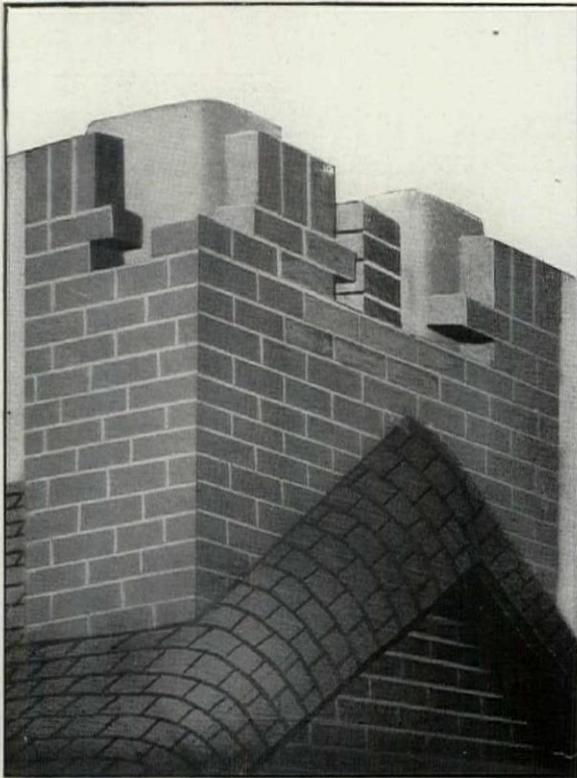


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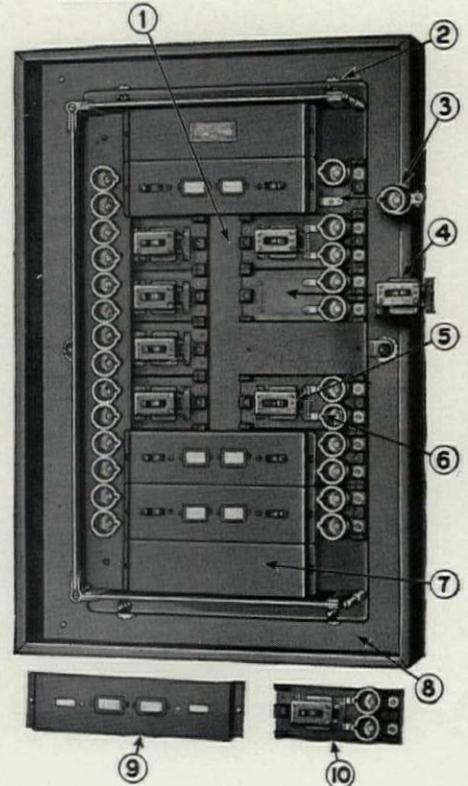


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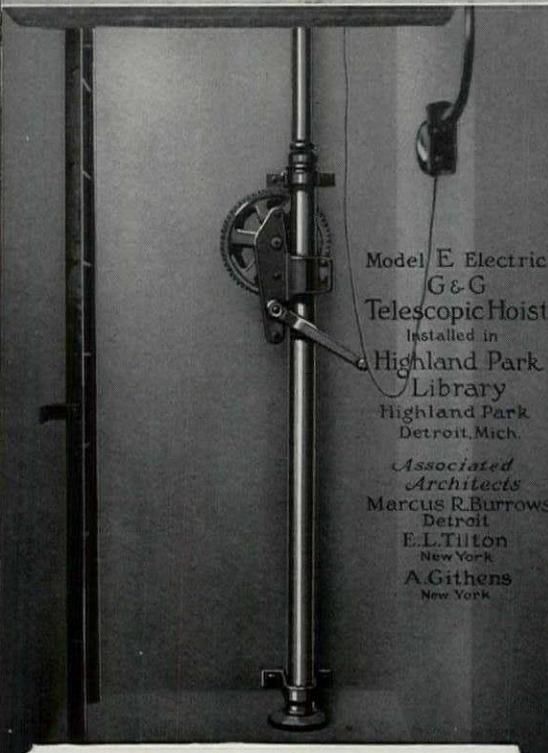
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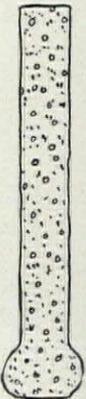
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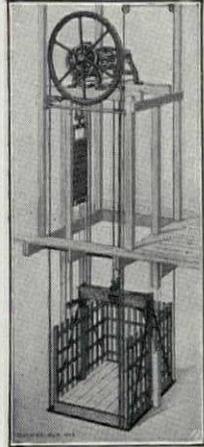


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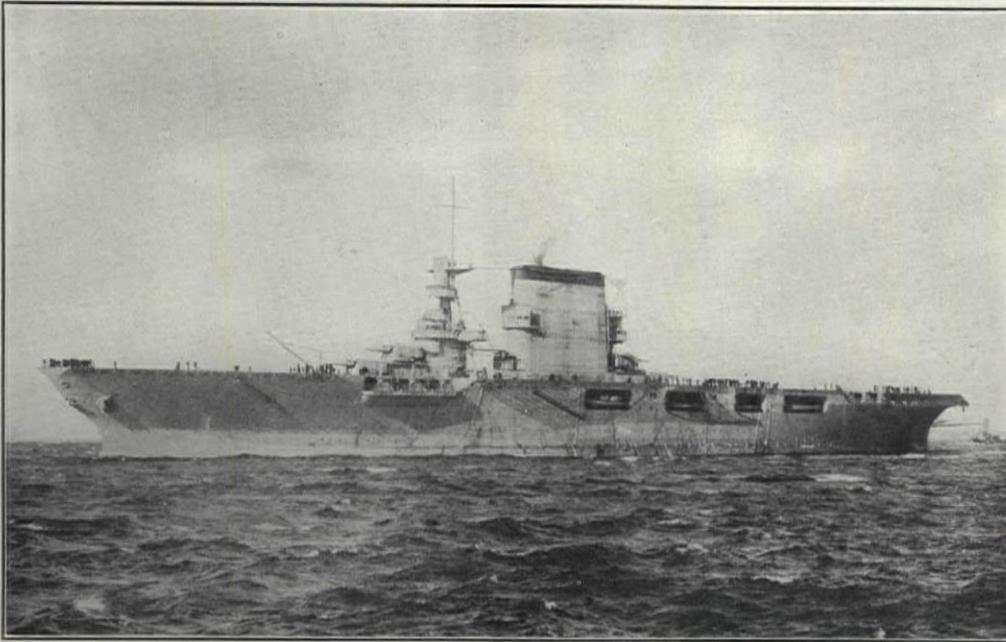


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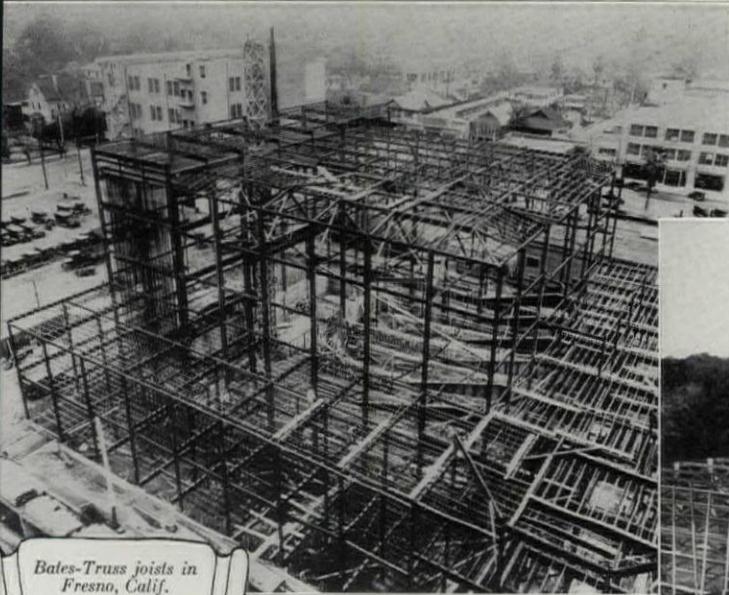
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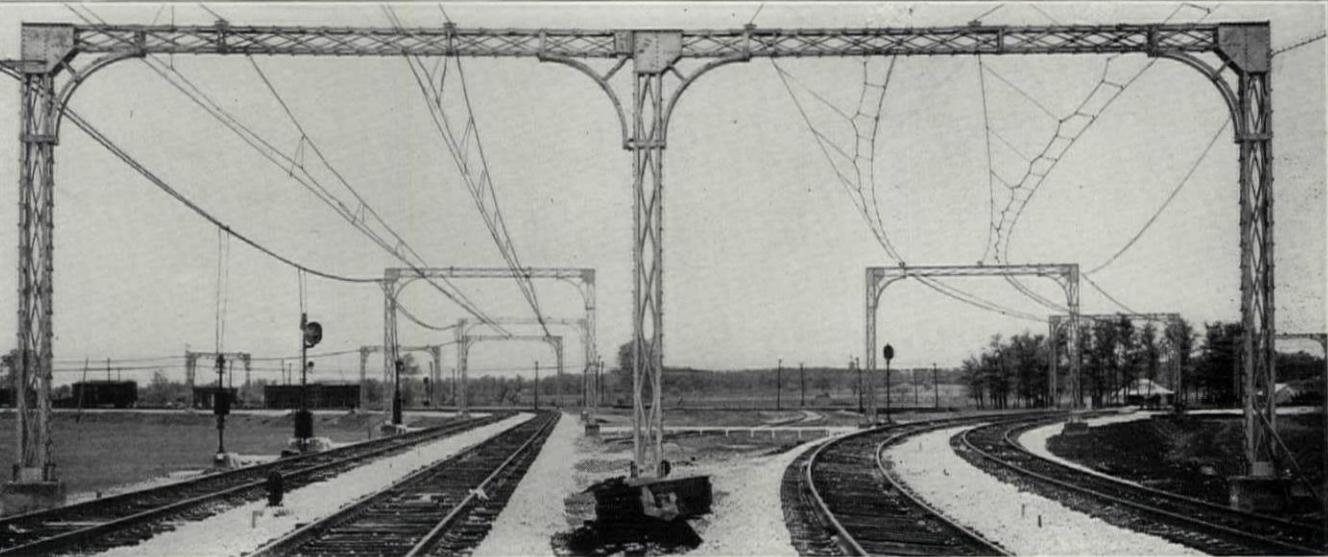
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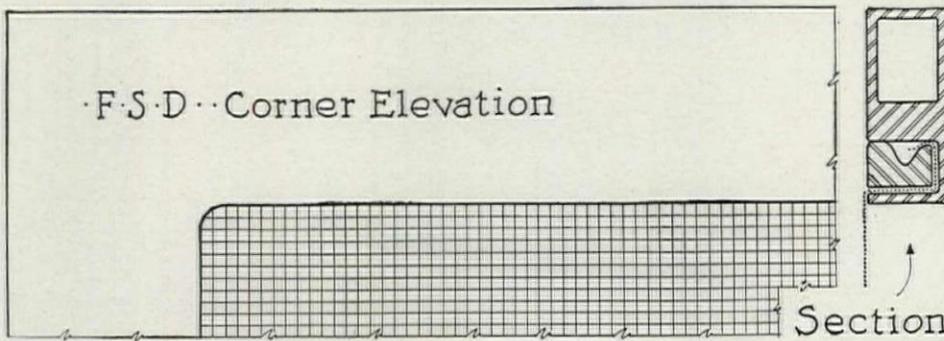
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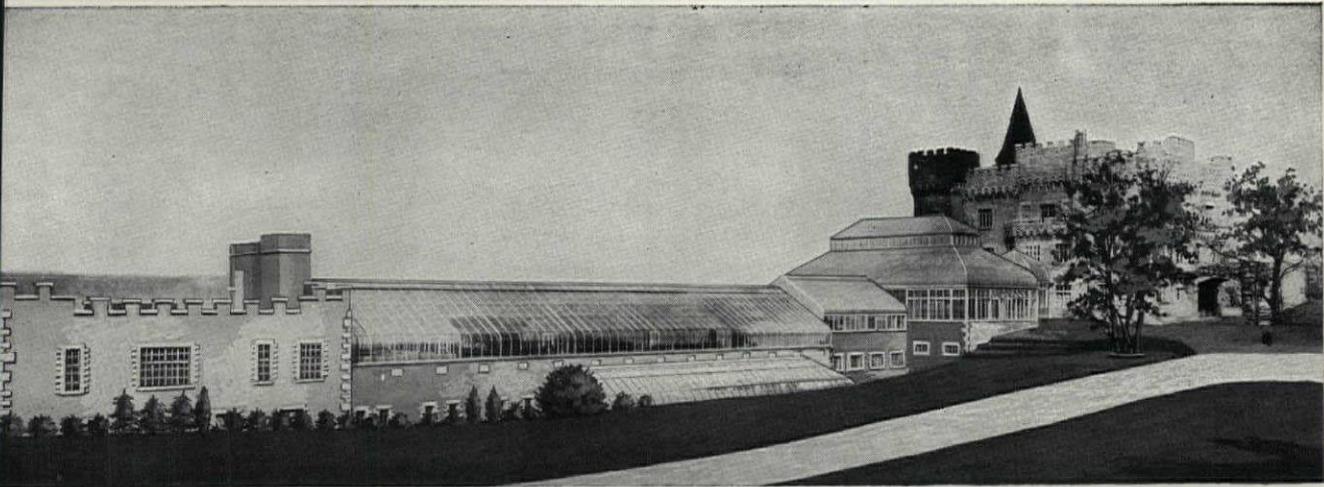
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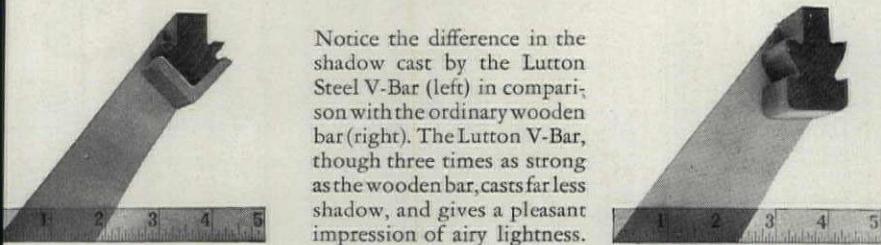
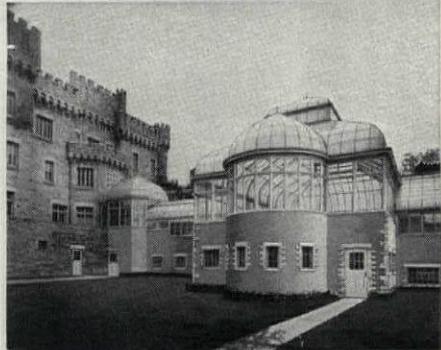
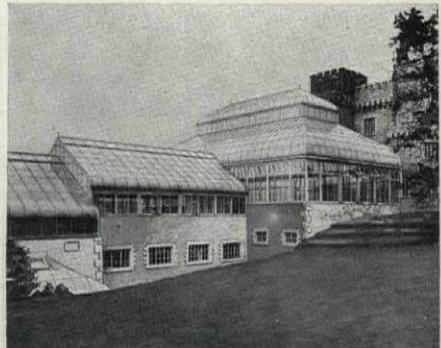


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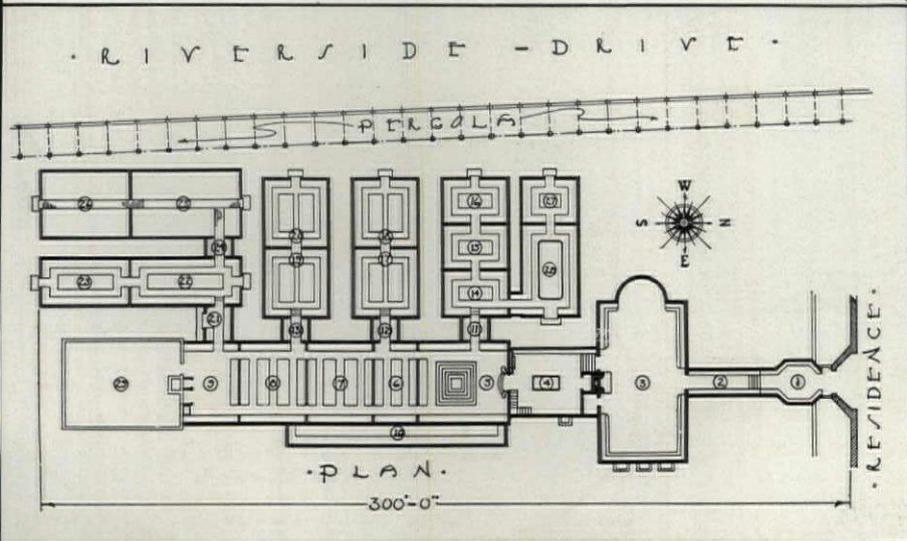
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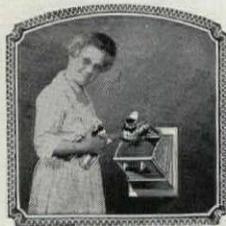
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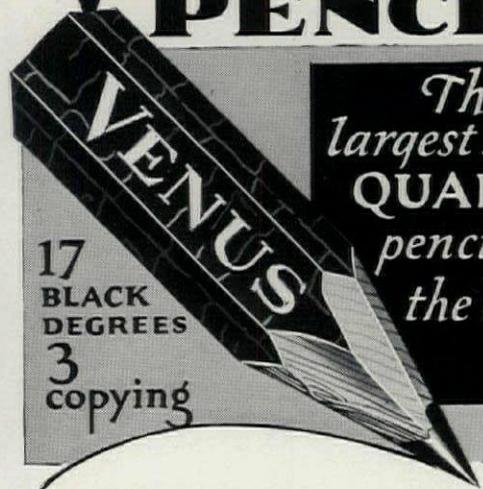
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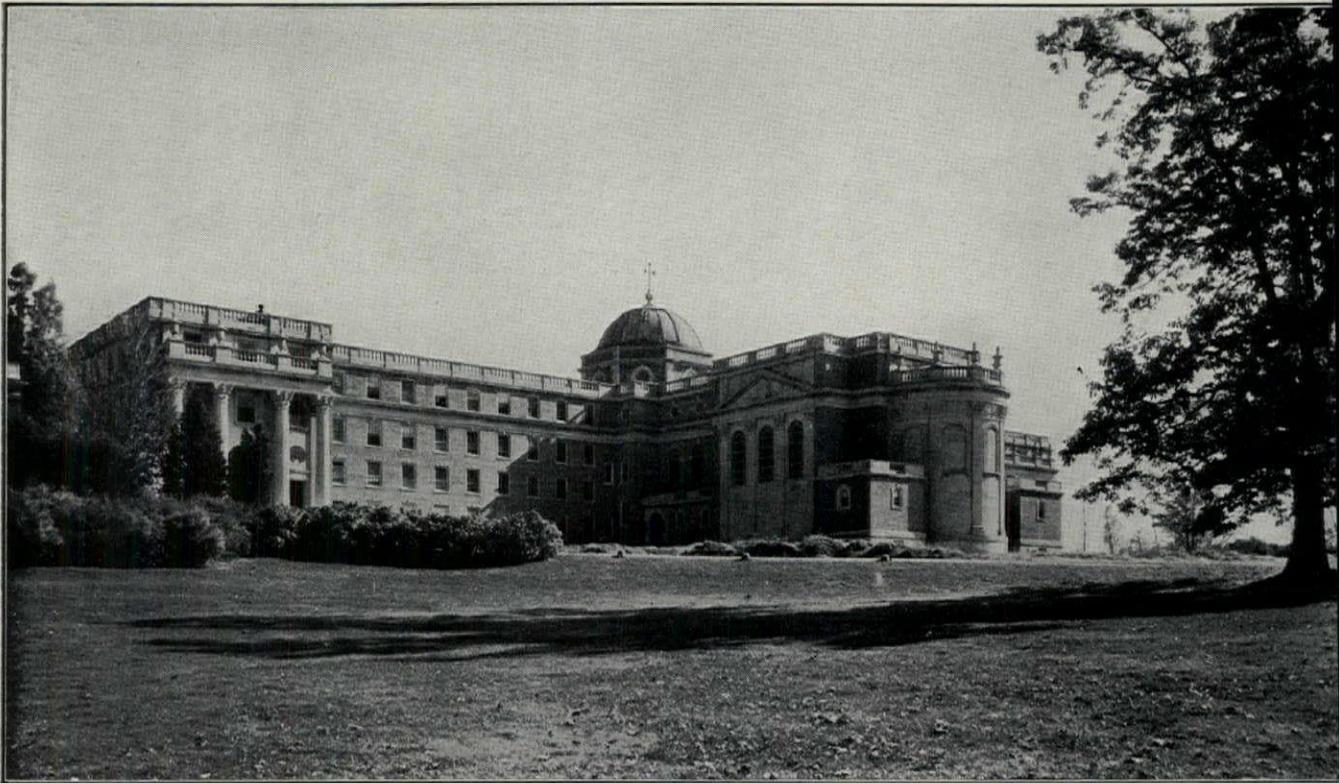
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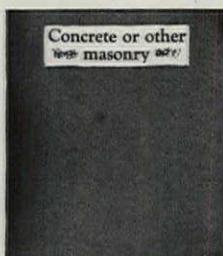
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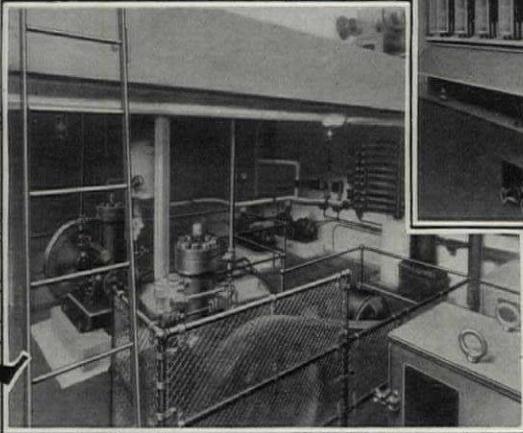
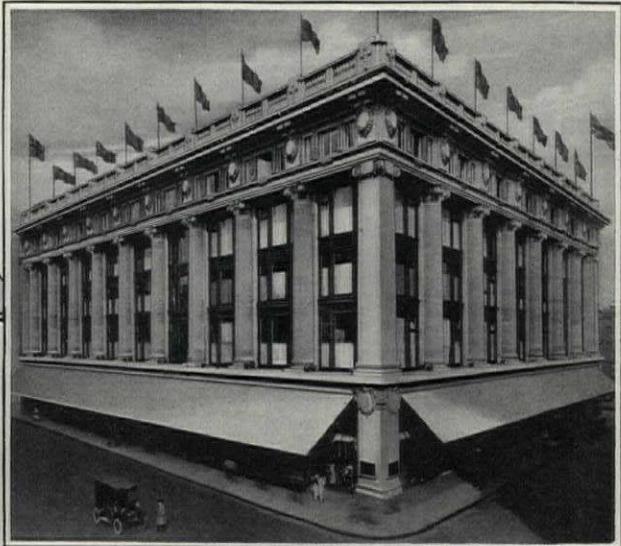
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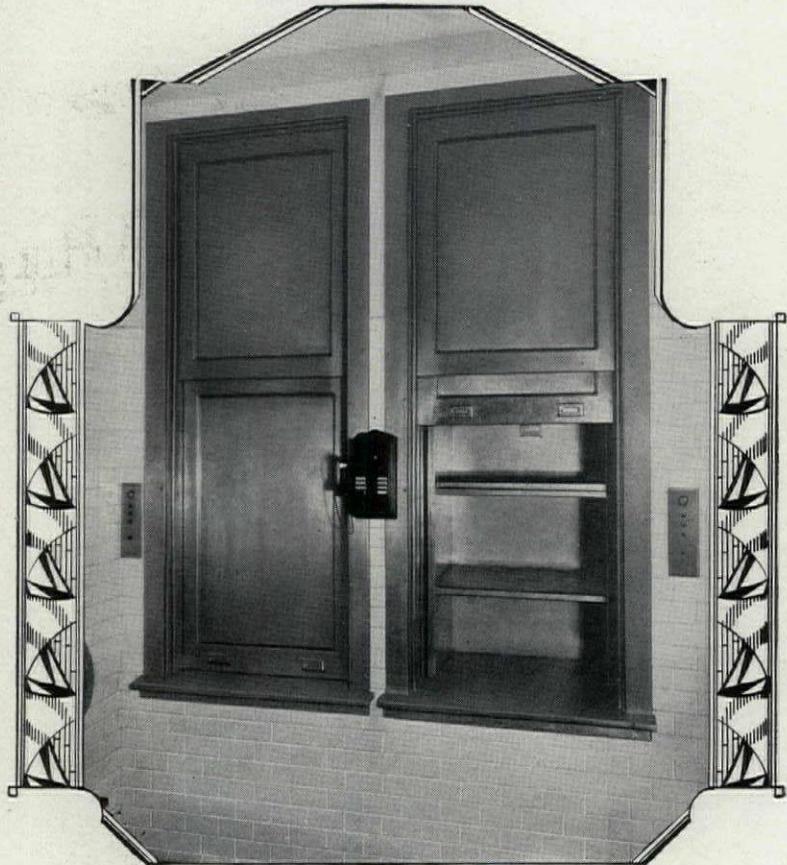
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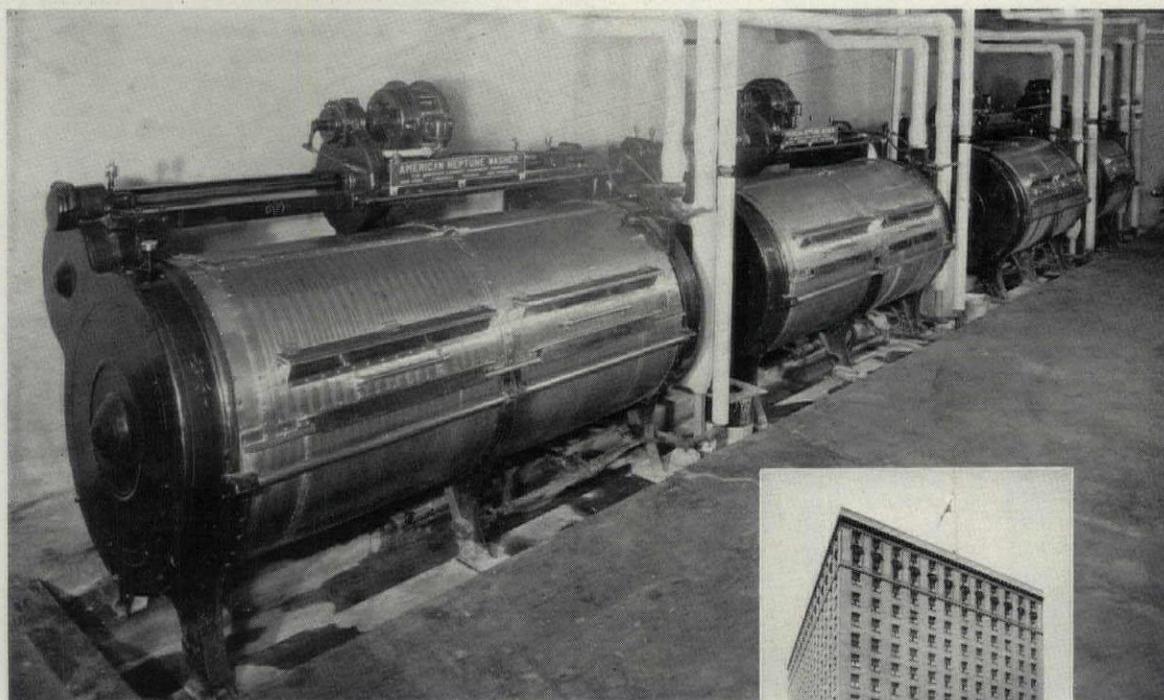
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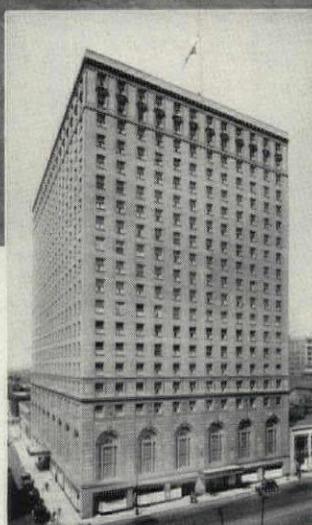
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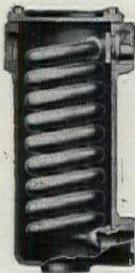
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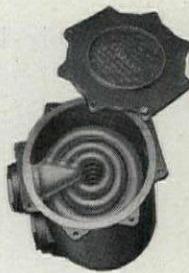
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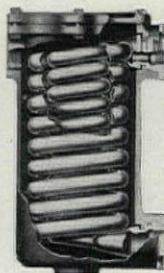
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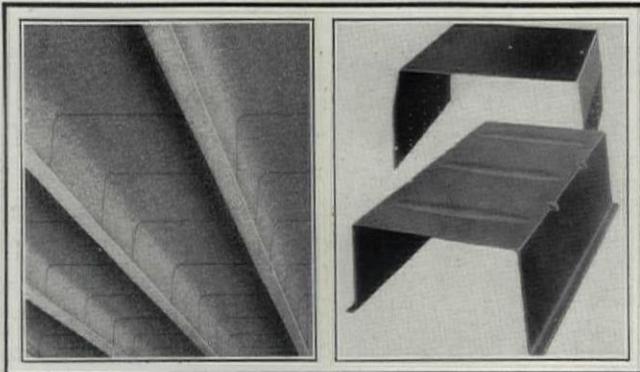
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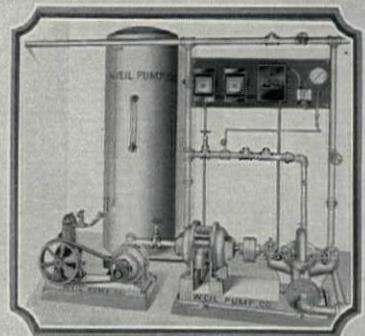
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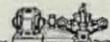
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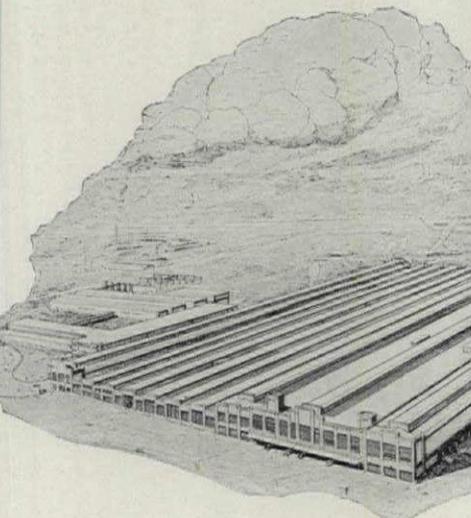
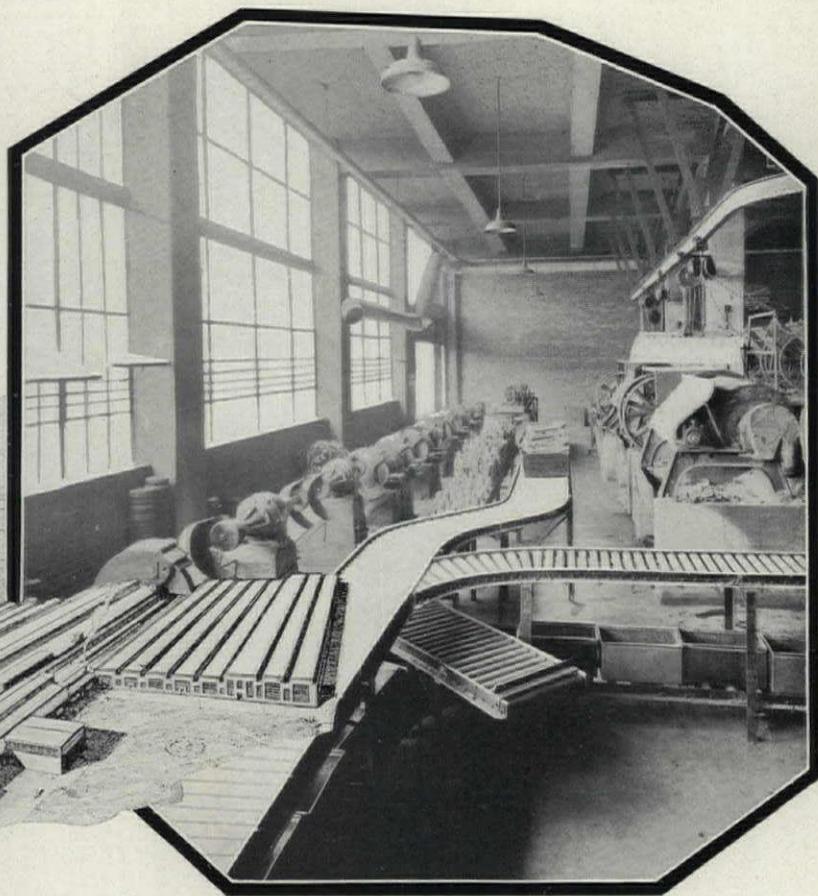
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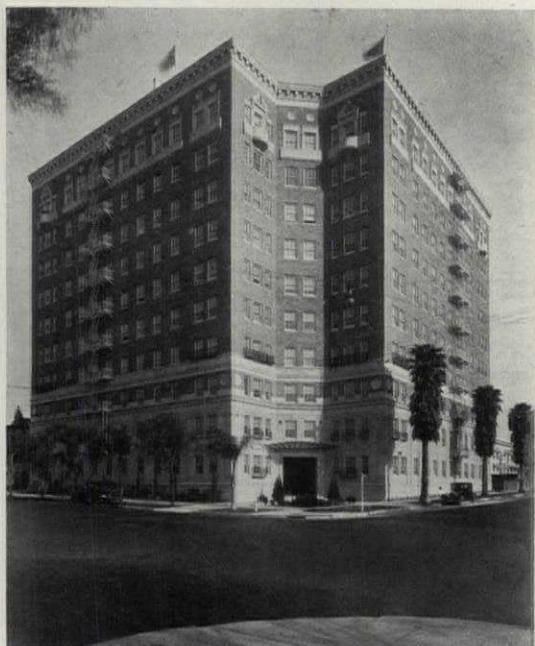
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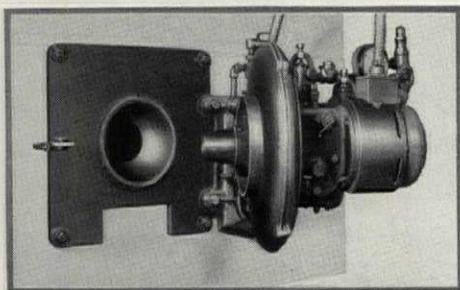
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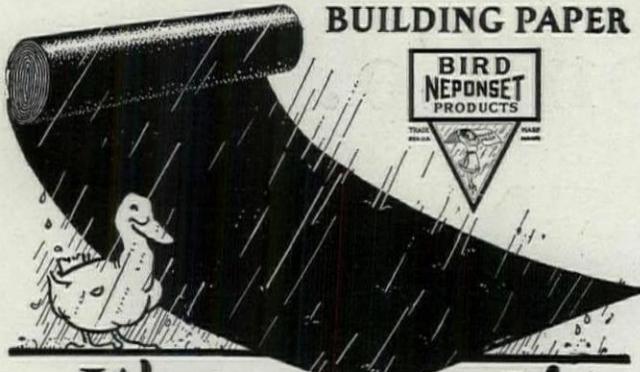
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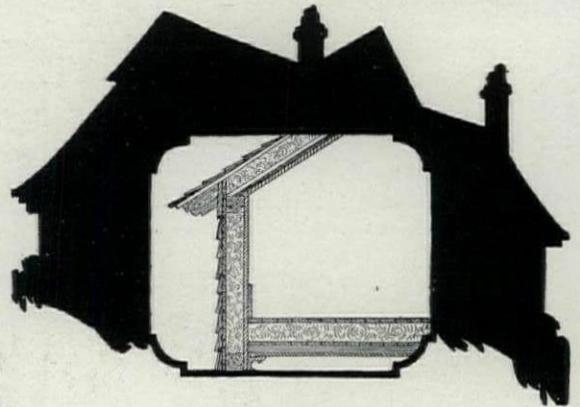
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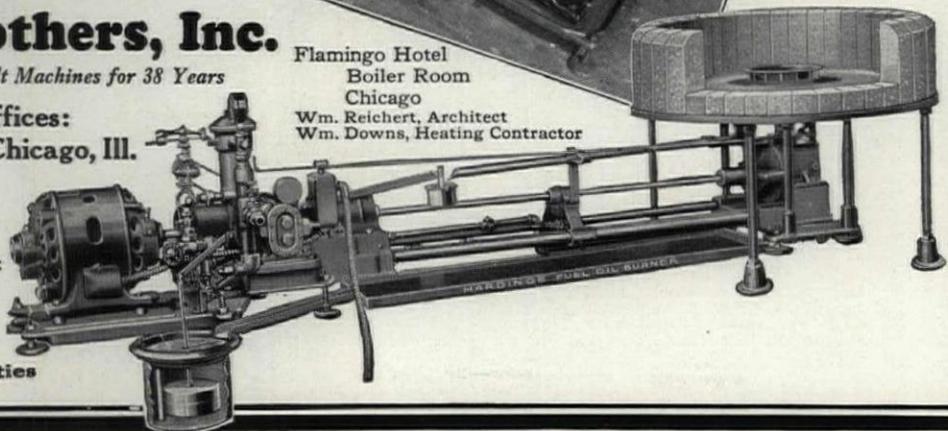
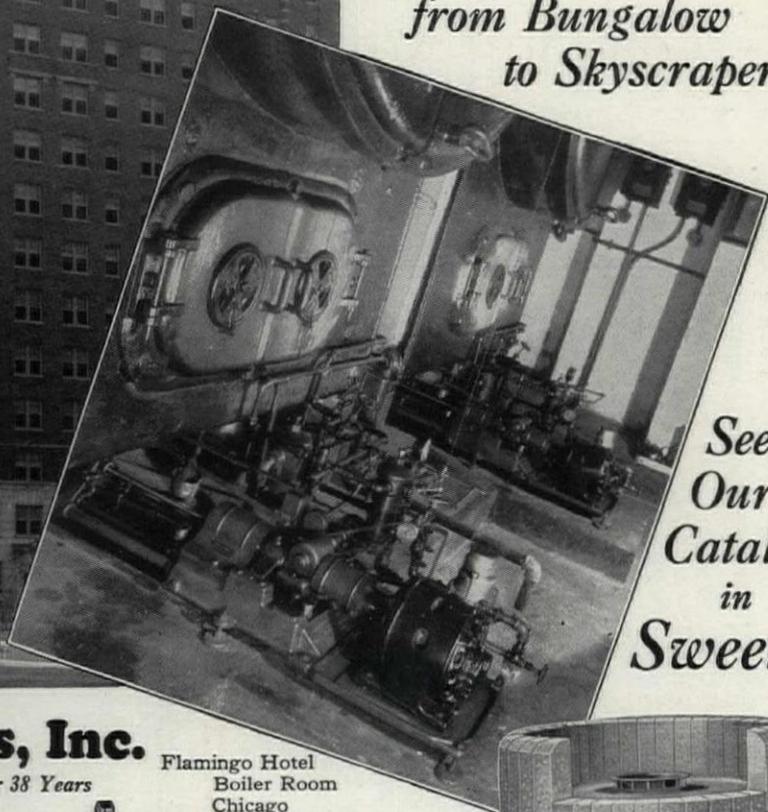
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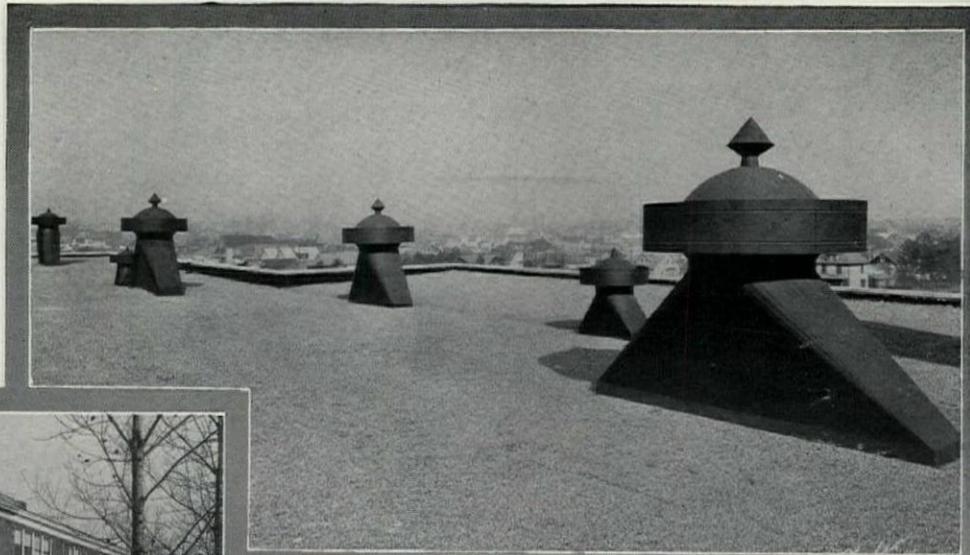
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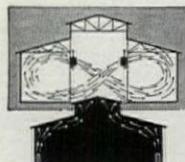
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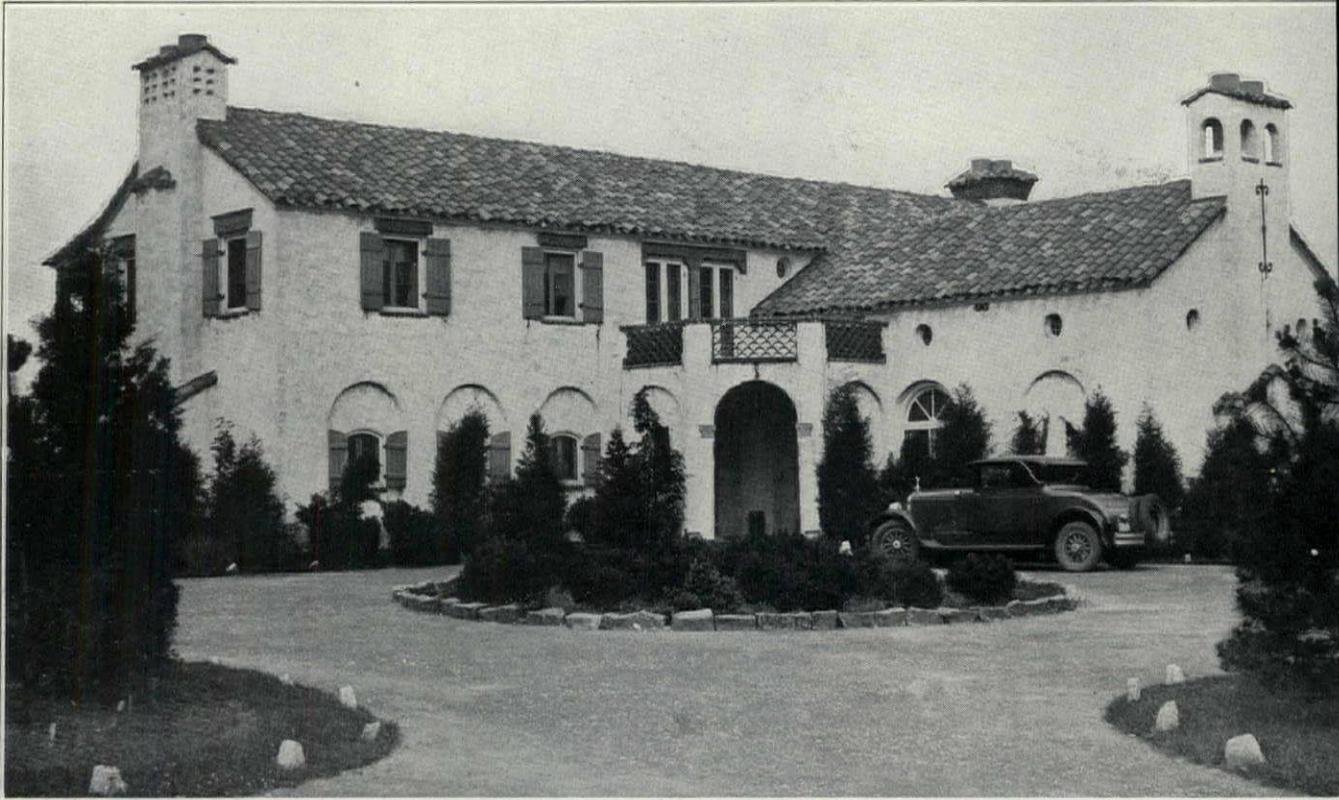
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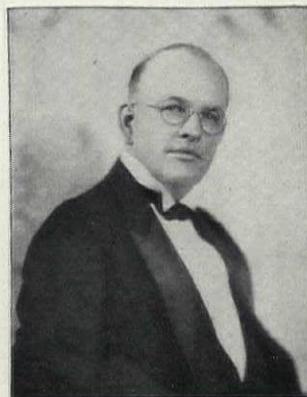
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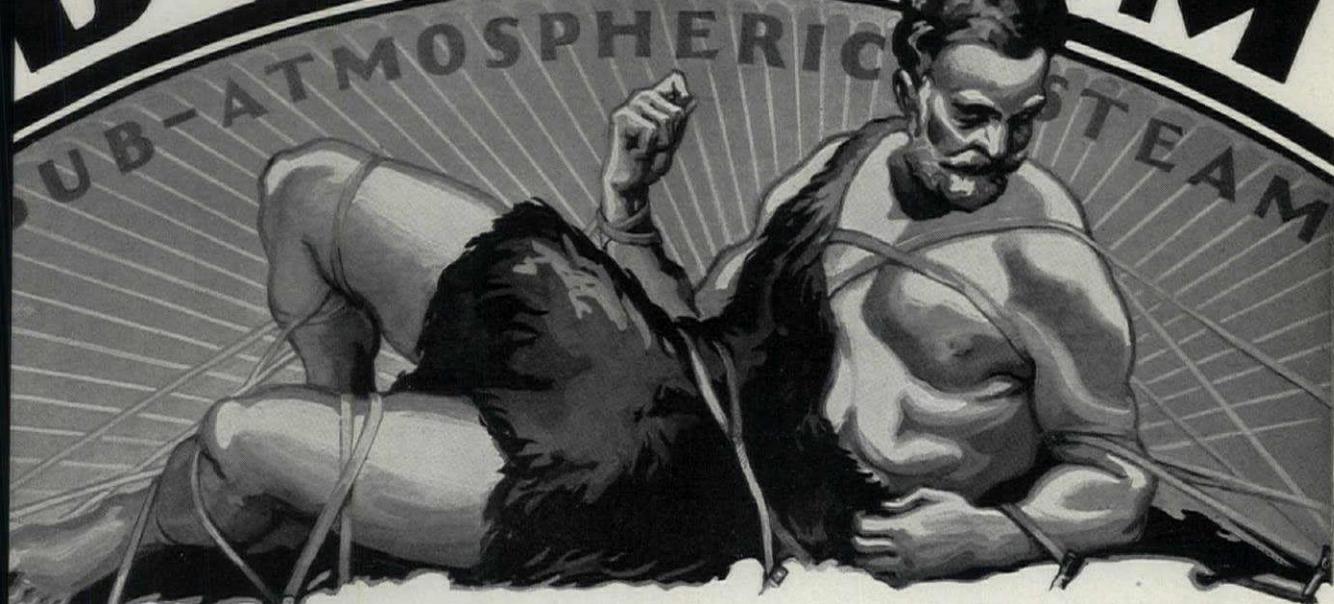
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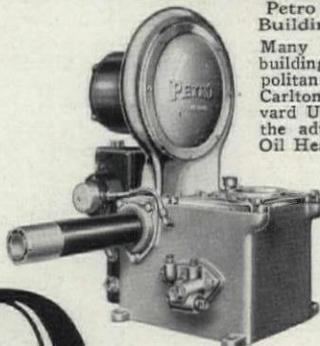
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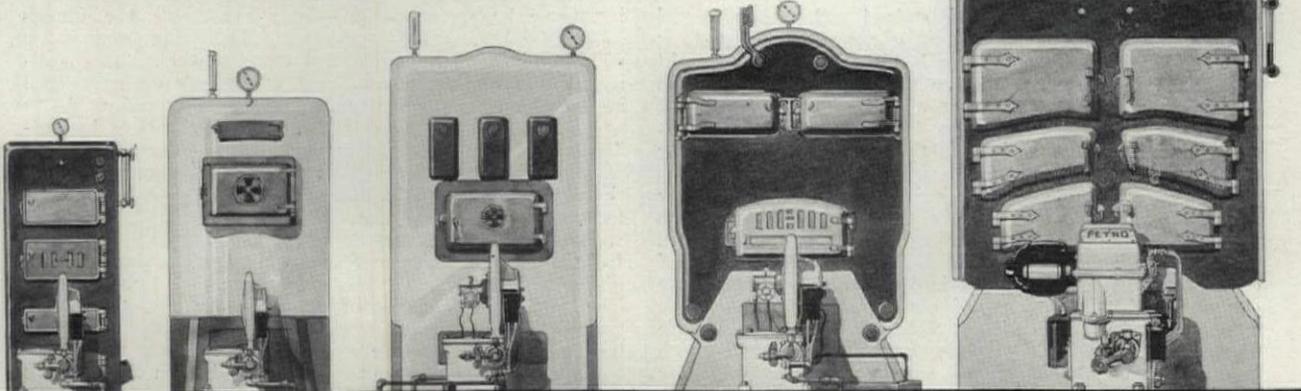


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REVIEWS OF MANUFACTURERS' PUBLICATIONS

NATIONAL RADIATOR CORPORATION. "Announcing a New and Greater Boiler and Radiator Corporation."

Announcement has recently been made of the formation of this new corporation, formed by consolidating a number of concerns which have hitherto operated separately,—the Continental Heater Corporation, the Gurney Heater Mfg. Co., the National Radiator Company, the Niagara Radiator & Boiler Company, the Union Radiator Co., and the Utica Heater Co. The announcement says: "The size and scope of the new National Radiator Corporation tremendously increase the breadth and degree of service which any of the component companies has heretofore been able to offer to the heating industry, without affecting in any way the manufacture and distribution of those products for which an appreciable demand exists. The annual capacity of the new National's ten plants will be more than 90,000,000 pounds of boilers and over 60,000,000 feet of radiation. Through these combined facilities, the previous standards of service of all the merged companies will be vastly improved, and the close personal relations with the trade maintained and strengthened. The fact that these plants are located at strategic points throughout the country makes short hauls possible, effecting savings in freight charges."

ALUMINUM COMPANY OF AMERICA, Pittsburgh. "Aluminum Paint." A handbook on its use in industry.

The countless advantages which use of aluminum paints presents make them particularly useful for many purposes. Aluminum paint is fundamentally different from other paints. It is made with metallic aluminum flakes called aluminum bronze powder, which no other paint pigment has. The simple mixing of this aluminum bronze powder with a suitable oil or varnish vehicle at once provides an aluminum paint which renders unusually satisfactory service in a wide variety of applications. Among the advantages suggested there are: (1) Its "hiding" or "covering" power, for one coat will readily obscure or cover a surface already painted or stained. (2) Its reflectivity or lighting efficiency, so high that sometimes as much as 70 per cent of the light falling upon a surface so painted is reflected and but 30 per cent absorbed. (3) Its lessening of evaporation, which because of its preventing radiation renders it useful for painting cooling tanks or oil storage tanks. (4) Its waterproofing properties, brought about by the resistance to moisture which aluminum bronze powders possess. This valuable brochure has been prepared for the company's customers by Junius D. Edwards, Assistant Director of Research, and Robert I. Wray, Research Chemist, of its laboratories.

GENERAL FIREPROOFING CO., Youngstown, O. "G F Floor Enamel; G F 115." Data on a valuable material.

Unless they are properly treated, cement floors do not always meet the expectations of those who demand their use. While most serviceable and adaptable under many conditions, such floors are sometimes objectionable because they dust up and wear away easily, are cold and cheerless in appearance, do not harmonize with furnishings and decorative effects, become quickly stained and unsightly, and are hard to clean. In such cases a cement floor paint or enamel is the easiest material with which to impart a bright colored finish, to prevent dusting up, and to hide any stains or discolorations that may exist upon the surface. A paint made with linseed oil is of very little value upon a cement surface. The lime contained in the cement acts chemically upon the linseed oil, turning it into a soap. This soap is readily water soluble, so that it is gradually washed away and worn off until finally only the dry pigment remains which soon wears off. An efficient cement floor paint must, therefore, be made of an oil that is unaffected by lime of cement and that will penetrate into the pores of the surface carrying with it a portion of the coloring pigment. This small folder deals with an admirable floor enamel, the vehicle of which is China wood oil, one of the few oils upon which lime has no deleterious effects, combined with certain spar gums to give increased degrees of elasticity and toughness.

NORTH WESTERN EXPANDED METAL CO., Chicago. "Longspan 3/4-Inch Rib Lath." Data on a New Material.

Constant improvement takes place in the production of different kinds of metal base for plaster and reinforcement for concrete, and along with this improvement there goes the introduction of many new materials. This particular brochure, for example, describes and illustrates "a new type of U-rib expanded metal used as a combined centering and reinforcement for concrete construction in which there have been incorporated several valuable new features. Parallel, heavy, cold-drawn, 3/4" deep, U-shaped ribs are spaced 4.8" center to center and connected by sections of expanded steel mesh. These sections consist of two 'panels,' each composed of six rows of diamonds with a 1/8" bead of secondary stiffening rib through the center. Ribs, mesh and beads are all formed from a single sheet of steel. Longspan 3/4" rib lath is made in sheets seven ribs or six sections wide. Ribs are 3/4" high, spaced 4.8" center to center. Size of the diamonds in the connecting mesh—3/8" x 15/16". 'Longspan' is cut from standard sheet and painted black. 'Copper-bearing Longspan'—i.e., cut from Keystone sheet and painted red—also furnished on special order." Sheets are nested, shipped uncrated, as they are not easily injured.

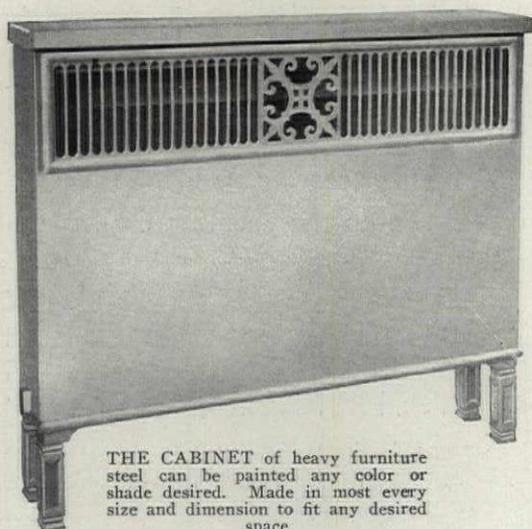
WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC & MANUFACTURING CO., East Pittsburgh. "Electric Power for Buildings."

Architects and engineers well know the importance, in any building, of the electricity which supplies energy for lighting, for operating many different kinds of mechanical equipment, and at times for furnishing heat as well. Probably with a view to placing before architects data which would aid them in intelligently specifying the countless details of equipment which it sells, the Westinghouse firm issues quite a number of booklets or brochures containing matter of the highest practical value. This particular brochure, for example, is a reprint of an article by E. B. Dawson, General Engineer of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., which appeared originally in one of the architectural journals. Its purpose is to outline the sources of electric power available, the characteristics of the various systems which may be selected, the power requirements of the various loads, the characteristics of the loads in several types of buildings, and to place in the hands of those responsible for the selection of electrical apparatus reliable performance and cost data. As might be expected, Mr. Dawson gives the matter close study and analysis, and the result is a collection of data well worthy a place in the equipment of any architect or engineer.

WEST COAST LUMBER TRADE EXTENSION BUREAU, Seattle. "Douglas Fir; America's Lumber Supply."

Travelers in certain parts of the country bring back discouraging reports of the appearance of entire regions, once covered with thick forests, but now "cut over" and merely dreary wastes of bare land and stumps of trees. This brochure, besides giving data regarding a most valuable wood, gives a reassuring report regarding the progress being made by re-forestation,—by so renewing the forests that instead of being completely ruined after giving one yield of timber they will afford many a yield. "It is estimated that the growth in new forests on cut-over land alone represents more than 3 billion feet annually. With present-day fire protection and modern methods of lumbering and forestry, it is rightly estimated that the West Coast forests will supply the lumber wants of the nation for all time." As the late Mr. Roosevelt said, "wise forest protection does not mean the withdrawal of forest resources, whether of wood, water or grass, from contributing their full share to the welfare of the people, but, on the contrary, gives the assurance of larger and more certain supplies. The fundamental idea of forestry is the perpetuation of forests by use. Forest protection is not an end of itself; it is a means to increase and sustain the resources of our country and the industries which depend upon them." This booklet is filled with valuable information.

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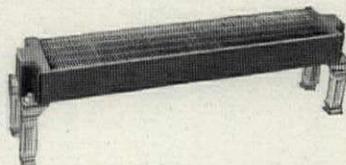
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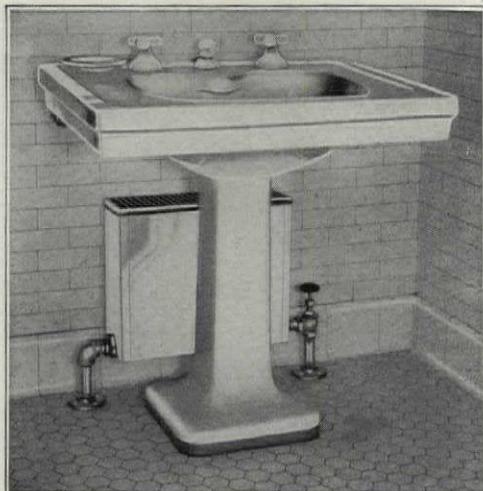
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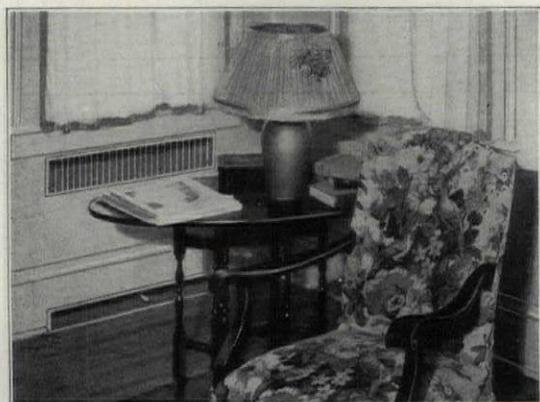
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REVIEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Anderson & Young announce the opening of offices in the Vermont Building, Salt Lake City.

The Cullan Co., Inc., has opened offices in the Stroh Building, Detroit, and desires the publications and other matter issued by manufacturers. The organization includes J. A. McCullough, F. W. Langhenrich, and Barton D. Wood.

EDISON ELECTRIC APPLIANCE CO., INC., Chicago. "Architect's Handbooks of Electric Cooking."

The arguments likely to be advanced for use of electricity for cooking are much the same as are urged for its use for any other purpose. Among them are the ease with which electricity is used, and its cleanliness, since it produces neither smoke nor soot. In fact almost the only argument brought against this use of electricity is that of its higher cost, and most service companies are meeting this objection by giving special rates on current used for cooking,—rates considerably lower than those for current used for other purposes. These two brochures,—"Architect's Handbook of Electric Cooking for Residences and Apartment Hotels" and "Architect's Handbook of Electric Cooking for Hotels, Hospitals, Institutions, Clubs, Ships, etc.," cover fully the scope indicated by their titles. Each is replete with data of great value to architects and engineers.

THE CELOTEX COMPANY, Chicago. "Celotex Technical Notes." Important data on the use of the material.

To insure correct use of its widely known and extremely useful product, the Celotex Company issues what are practically specifications, which if followed will guarantee satisfaction with Celotex when used for any one of the many purposes for which it is sold. This publication is a folder, prepared in accordance with the recommendations of the A. I. A., and in the folder there are fastened (so that they may be removed) "Technical Notes" on use of the material,—applying Plastic Paints on Celotex; Celotex in its Relation to Fires; the Strength of Celotex; Bonding of Concrete and Portland Cement to Celotex; Wall Paper on Celotex; Celotex for Sound Insulation; Celotex Carpet Lining; Celotex Ashlar Stone Decoration; Celotex Paneled Interiors; Celotex for Cottages, Cabins and Camps; and attaching Celotex to Steel Framing. The care with which these "notes" have been prepared and the inclusion in their pages of numerous diagrams illustrating approved methods of construction should result in a wider use of this highly adaptable material. They are replete with information.

CHARLES CORY & SON, INC. 185 Varick Street, New York. "Seamless Flexible Metal Hose."

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Lang, Raugland & Lewis, of Minneapolis, announce the opening of a branch office at 1955 University Avenue, St. Paul. They desire catalogs and publications issued by manufacturers and to have their name added to mailing lists.

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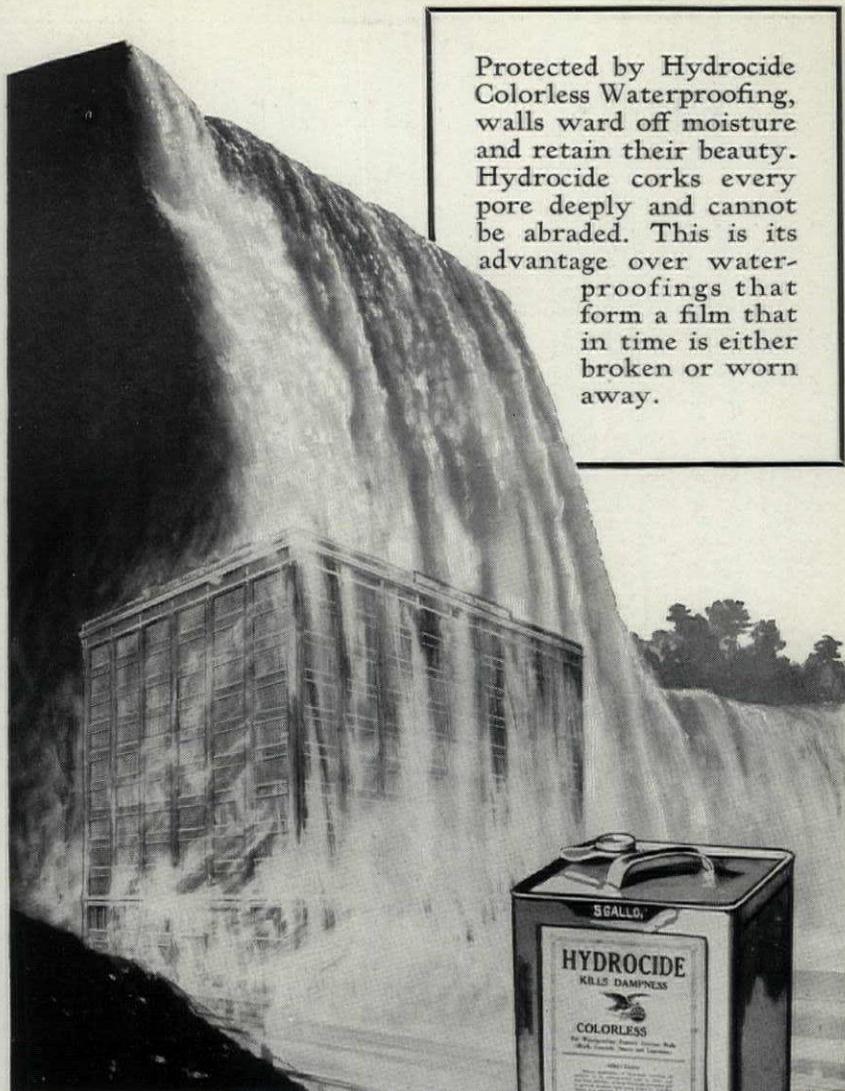
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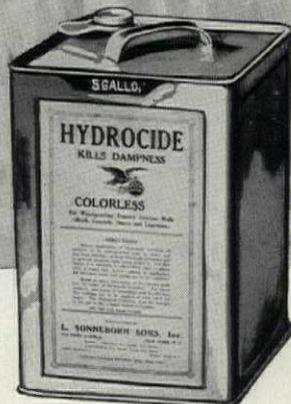
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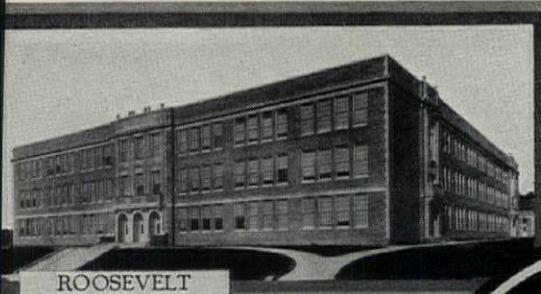
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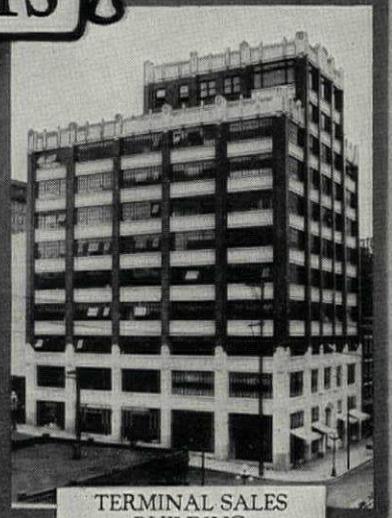
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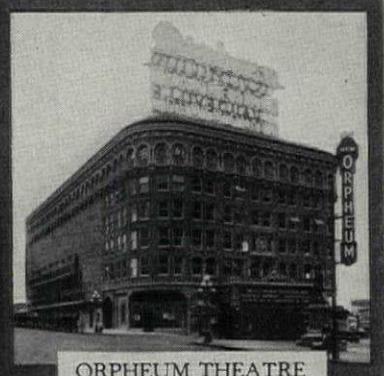
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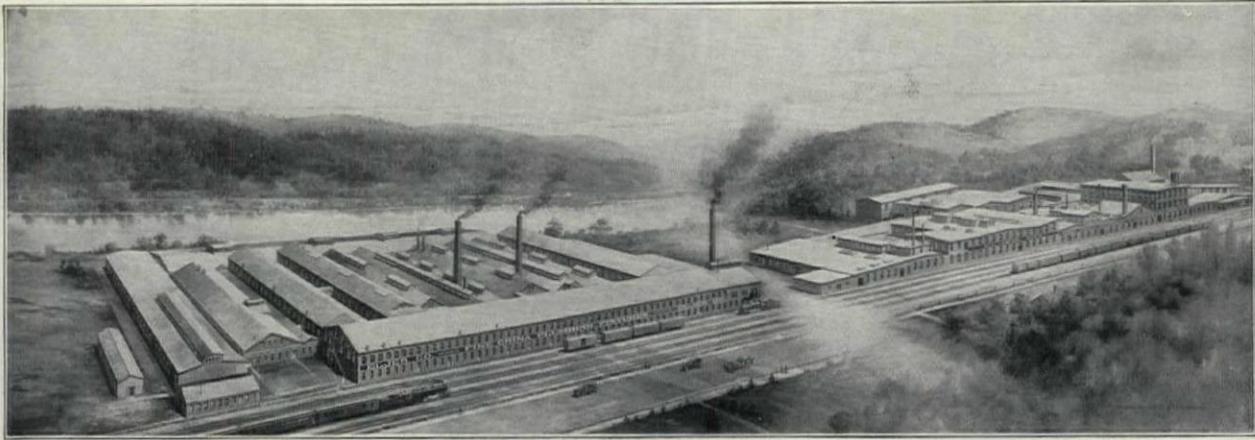
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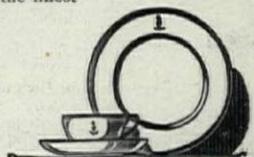
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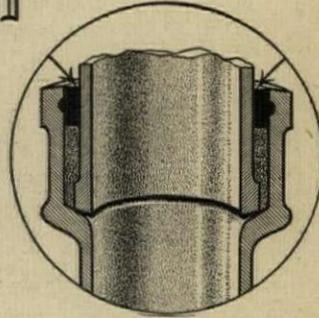
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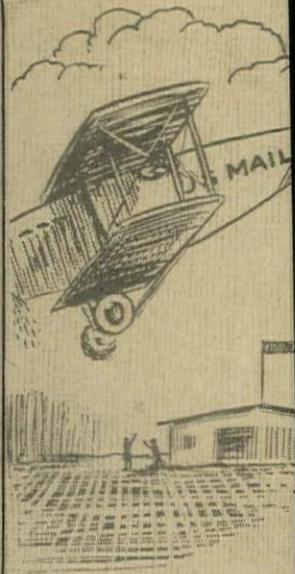
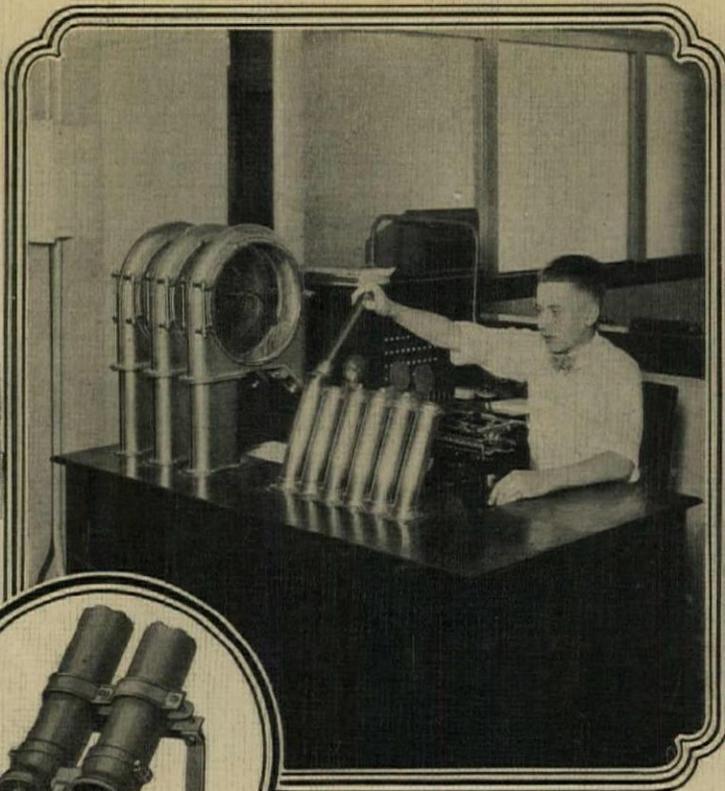
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