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architecture, as they themselves say, " . . . intending deliberately to disregard all buildings of the more monumental types,-even though it was impossible not to pause frequently to admire the magnificence of the Churiguresque and the commanding beauty of what Dr. Atl calls the 'Ultrabaroque.' "

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These young architectural authors say in their preface: "Of the houses in this book, few are the work of architects. They were done usually by masons of the town, who were known to be good, and whose inspiration was drawn indirectly from the more important monuments of the place. In plan they were adapted sensibly to the requirements of the owners and to the ter-

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OR many years there has been evidence of increasing F interest in the revival of the old crafts which engaged the attention of people during the early days of America. Patchwork; weaving of many kinds; the making of pottery, pewter and furniture; embroidery; work in crewel and lace, and various other old crafts have been studied, revived and popularized until now they are in widespread favor. Along with all this there has come a revival of the making of the hooked rugs such as were made in early days in the seaboard parts of this country and in the eastern provinces of Canada. So great has been the interest in these old rugs that many ancient towns, villages and farm houses have been explored and garrets ransacked, and such rugs when discovered have been easily purchased, since their owners regarded them as of small value. Several large collections have been formed, and the prices which some rugs, when well made after good patterns and when well preserved, have brought in auction rooms, have been astonishing.

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A SMALL HOUSE COMPETITION

T HE fourth annual Small House Competition held by The House Beautiful, closed on October 15. The judges, consisting of Gordon Allen, A. I. A., of Boston; Francis Keally, A. I. A. of New York, and Ethel B. Power, Editor of The House Beautiful. unanimously awarded these prizes and mentions: In the 5-7 room class: First prize, William Wilson Wurster, San Francisco. Second prize, Soule, Murphy & Hastings, Santa Barbara. Third prize, Godwin Thompson & Patterson, New York. Honorable mention, H. Roy Kelley, Roland E. Coate, and David J. Witmer, and Loyall F. Watson, all of Los Angeles. In the 8-12 room class: First prize, Ralph C. Flewelling, Beverly Hills, Cal. Second prize, Roland E. Coate, Los Angeles. Third prize, Dunn & Copper, Cleveland. Honorable mention, Hammond W. Whitsitt, San Diego, and H. Roy Kelley, Los Angeles. In the remodeled class: First prize, Hudson & Hudson, Buffalo. Second prize, Benjamin S. Parker, San Marino, Cal. Honorable mention, Waldron Faulkner, New York, Arthur McFarland, Bar Harbor, Me., and Warren W. Ferris, Alexandria, Va. From the total number of entries submitted, 50 have been selected as usual, to form a traveling exhibit which will visit many of the larger cities of the United States on its way to the coast.

RALPH STARRETT 1868-1930

A LTHOUGH continued ill health had caused Ralph Starrett to turn over much of his work during the last two or three years to his younger associates in Starrett Brothers, Inc., of Illinois, his death in Chicago on Monday, December 1, removes an outstanding figure from the building field.

Ralph Starrett was born July 27, 1868, in Lawrence, Kas., the son of William Aiken Starrett, a Presbyterian minister; his mother was Helen Ekin Starrett, prominent as an educator and founder of the well known Starrett School for girls in Chicago. He was one of five boys and two girls; two of the brothers, Theodore and Goldwin, died about 13 years ago. During the boyhood of Ralph Starrett the family moved to Highland Park, Ill., where he attended high school and later the Lake Forest Academy. After several lesser business activities he went to work in his early 20's with his brother Theodore, of the firm of Whitney & Starrett, and was identified with the building industry from that time onward, his name being associated with some of the company's most important commercial and other structures. After the crowded war period he suffered a nervous breakdown and was unable to work for some time. Although he recovered his health to some extent and was able to associate himself with his brothers as president of Starrett Brothers, Inc., of Illinois, the western building affiliate of the Starrett Corporation holding company of the various Starrett activities in the building field, the brunt of the work fell upon the shoulders of his younger associates, J. Soule Warterfield, and his three sons, Ralph Ward Starrett, Paul Starrett, and John Eliott Starrett.

ARCHITECTS' FINANCE COURSE

B EGINNING February 6, Columbia University will offer an evening course on "Architects' Relation to the Promotion and Financing of Income-producing Structures." Lectures and discussion will be in charge of C. H. Lench.

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THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING SHREVE, LAMB & HARMON, ARCHITECTS VII. THE GENERAL DESIGN BY

WILLIAM F. LAMB

A^N interesting development in the planning of present day office buildings is the change in the conception that the architect has of his work. The day that he could sit before his drawing board and make pretty sketches of decidedly uneconomic monuments to himself has gone. His scorn of things "practical" has been replaced by an intense earnestness to make practical necessities the armature upon which he moulds the form of his idea. Instead of being the intolerant æsthete, he is one of a group of experts upon whom he depends for the success of his work, for the modern large building with its complicated machinery is beyond the capacity of any one man to master, and yet he must, in order to control the disposition and arrangement of this machine, have a fairly accurate general knowledge of what it is all about. Added to this he must know how to plan his building so that it will "work" economically and produce the revenue for which his clients have made their investment.

In this spirit of coöperation with experts, the builder and the engineer, the effort was made to solve the problem of the design of the Empire State. The program was short enough—a fixed budget, no space more than 28 feet from window to corridor, as many stories of such space as possible, an exterior of limestone, and completion by May 1, 1931, which meant a year and six months from the beginning of sketches. The first three of these requirements produced the mass of the building and the latter two the characteristics of its design.

I N the first sketches an effort was made to develop the plan from studies previously prepared for another owner for a 50-story building of the loft type on the same site. These sketches, Scheme J, on page 2, show the elevators placed at right angles to the main axis of the building. The elevator groups "drop off" in sequence, an arrangement which forced the tower far back from the Fifth Avenue front. The "loft" type plan was indented to introduce light into the deep space, but this idea produced many dark corners and gave too much volume for the height desired. The plan of the tower was also a relic of the previous scheme, and when additional elevators were added, there resulted a floor plan which was not capable of good subdivision. This plan was therefore abandoned.

In the meantime, a preliminary investigation was being carried on by the group of experts which had been formed to inquire into the many and difficult technical problems which had to be solved before any serious work could begin. This group included Bassett Jones for the elevators, H. G. Balcom for the steel frame, Henry C. Meyer for the heating and ventilating, and Fred Brutschy for the plumbing.

THE elevator system was one of the keys to both the general arrangement of the plan and to the height to which the building could rise. The critical point in the plans determining the number of cars which could be provided for was at about the 30th floor where, legally, the tower begins, for with the area of this floor restricted by the zoning requirements to one-quarter of the size of the property, there was a limited amount of space which could be used for "utilities" and still have adequate space to rent. Study, therefore, concentrated on this portion of the building, to find the most economical shape and arrangement of

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Plan, 31st to 45th Floor







Plan, 6th to 11th Floor

Three Typical Floor Plans of Scheme "J" Which Were Developed From Previous Sketches Made For a Loft Type Building on the Same Site

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Plan, 31st to 39th Floor



Plan, 22nd to 30th Floor



Plan, 6th to 21st Floor

Three Corresponding Typical Plans of Scheme "K" Which Were Made as a Result of the Preliminary Study and Investigation of the Various Problems



Plan, 33rd to 40th Floor







Plan, 6th and 7th Floors

Three Corresponding Typical Floor Plans of the Building as Finally Developed by the Detailed Study Put Into the Actual Working Drawings

the floor, giving at the same time the greatest number of elevators. The elevator banks were placed parallel to the main axis of the building in four groups, and the stairs, toilets and shafts were located between the unused banks. The elevator runs were studied so that these utilities could be easily transferred when the various banks came into or went out of service. This study resulted in the adoption of the principle that the form of the shaft should be much more nearly a square than that shown on the previous schemes, which also would simplify the problem of wind resistance to a large extent.

THE great height contemplated made the problem of wind bracing extremely important, especially in the narrower dimensions of the property. It was highly desirable that all the columns should in addition to carrying through vertically, also be in line horizontally in both directions, but more especially in the narrower sense, producing a complete gridiron. This principle was adhered to until it was found that the columns became so large at the bottom that they could not be placed in front of the tower elevator shafts which made it necessary to substitute two bays for three in the longer side of the tower in that portion of the building.

At the same time consultation with Mr. Meyer and with Mr. Brutschy determined in a general way the size and location of ventilation and pipe shafts which were such that they became a very important consideration in the general scheme. Conferences with the builders, Starrett Brothers & Eken, Inc., fixed the general speed program and types of building construction.

The principles, established by these coöperative investigations, which covered a period of four weeks, together with the owner's requirements, now formed the complete program. The "parti" was arrived at in two hours, the evening before a meeting of the owner's corporation. An allnight "charette" produced the next day a series of five or six of the essential plans, an elevation, a perspective, and a fairly accurate tabulation of rentable areas and cube. It is interesting to compare these plans shown on page 3 with the corresponding plans after they had been worked out in detail.

THE logic of the plan is very simple. A certain amount of space in the center, arranged as compactly as possible, contains the vertical circulation, toilets, shafts and corridors. Surrounding this is a perimeter of office space 28 feet deep. The sizes of the floors diminish as the elevators decrease in number. In essence there is a pyramid of non-rentable space surrounded by a greater pyramid of rentable space, a principle modified of course by practical consideration of construction and elevator operation. The four groups of high-rise elevators are placed in the center of the building with the low-rise groups adjoining on the east and west sides so that as these drop off, the building steps back from the long dimension of the property to approach the square form of the shaft, with the result that instead of being a tower, set upon a series of diminishing setbacks prescribed by the zoning law, the building becomes all tower rising from a great five-story base.

While these sketches fixed the general mass of the building, its height had not yet been fully determined. Two very important factors were to make this decision, elevators and budget. Mr. Jones, therefore, commenced an accurate determination of the elevators which he could now do with the sketch plans and the floor by floor areas, and Starrett Brothers & Eken, Inc., for the purpose of determining how high the building might be carried within the budget, made a careful approximate estimate based on these same sketches and an outline specification. It was a coincidence that both arrived at a limit of 80 stories, plus five floors of pent house.

 A^{T} this point, with the general plan and the mass of the building determined, there entered the last and perhaps the most important item in the owner's program-speed of construction. The development of the window and spandrel detail described in Mr. Shreve's article in the July, 1930, FORUM, although it was worked out through an ardent desire to get rid of reveals, inadequate and useless in a building of such height, was the solution of the problem of the rapid building of the limestone walls, and the scheme of the vertical strips and mullions of polished steel, which give the building its characteristic appearance, was evolved to effect, in a simple manner, a proper junction between wall and window. The elimination of all shelf angles and other special steel supports for the stone piers made it possible to prepare the steel drawings and proceed with fabrication before the design and fenestration of the exterior were determined in detail, giving an opportunity to study the window treatment with great care, many small scale models being made in an effort to visualize what the effect would be. These studies proved the necessity (if the time schedule didn't) of handling the stone work with utmost simplicity so that it would become merely a background for the applied metal and glass. It was only in the lower stories that some detail was introduced in the pier caps and the flanking half columns of the main entrance.

It would be interesting to speculate on the in-

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First Sketches of the "Loft" Type Building Originally Planned for This Site. The Max-imum Amount of Floor Area Permitted Under the Zoning Resolution Was Obtained in the Lower Part of the Building With No Light Courts Provided. The Tower, which Pro-vided Office Space, Was Comparatively Small

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fluence this speed program had upon the design. Hardly a detail was issued without having been thoroughly analyzed by the builders and their experts and adjusted and changed to meet every foreseen delay. Choice of interior marbles was limited to those which could be obtained in time to be fabricated and set, and men were sent to the quarries abroad to get this information first hand. Rose Famosa and Estrallante were selected for the great entrance halls-ten thousand square feet of marble devoid of detail, depending for the effect entirely on their highly interesting color and veining, with 300,000 square feet of Hauteville and Rocheron for the elevator lobbies and corridors on the office floors-quantity production-sawn, "coped" and polished.

A^S far as possible hand work was done away with, for in quantity creduction with, for in quantity production with thousands of pieces of each material identical in shape and size, the delay would have been disastrous. Windows, spandrels, steel mullions and



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Scheme "J" Perspective (Below) Showing Introduction of Light Courts, Increased Height of Tower, and "Loft" to "Office" Type Transition. First Study of Scheme "K" Elevation (Right) Which Fixed Mass and Proportions, Doing Away With Deep Space by Surrounding the "Core" of Utilities by 28-Foot Office Space





stone, all fabricated in various parts of the country, were designed so that they could be duplicated in tremendous quantity with almost perfect accuracy and brought to the building and put together almost like an automobile on the assembly line. The limestone ashlar was made in such dimensions that it could be handled on ordinary material hoists within the building and trundled by baggage trucks to the perimeter of the floor and from there dropped by cable into its place in the wall between the steel jamb pieces already set.

The adaptation of the design to conditions of use, construction and speed of erection has been kept to the fore throughout the development of the drawings of Empire State. Whatever "style" it may be is the result of a logical and simple answer to the problems set by the economic and technical demands of this unprecedented program.

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Models For the Empire State Building Shreve, Lamb & Harmon, Architects (Top) The Five-Story Base; (Below) One of the Pier Caps

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*HE annual forecast of architectural and building activity, published on pages 89 to 94 of this issue, is somewhat optimistic in tone. Once again, the importance to the architect of a knowledge of economics and financial arrangements is evident, since the amount of building, and therefore of architectural prosperity, is dependent on available funds,-easier and more plentiful financing meaning more work for the architect. Other things being equal, the architects who are equipped to aid clients to obtain money for building, both through financial knowledge and financial contacts, are in the strongest position to go ahead with their work. Those who have not these assets, nor clients with ready cash, may have time to use in introspection.

It becomes more and more apparent that the practice of architecture has become a business and that the successful conduct of that business demands more than the ability to plan and design (though that is the prime essential); it requires an organization equipped with knowledge and ability in engineering and business. The ARCHITECTURAL FORUM recognizes this complexity of architectural practice today and has established a program for 1931 that is both comprehensive and directly related to types of work that will be done by architects throughout the coming year.

OUR OBJECTIVE

THERE is something in the effect of the calendar that cannot be accounted for by astronomical calculations,—something more than the mere recording of the passage of a unit of time. We just as logically begin a new year each and every day as on the one that has been singled out arbitrarily,—yet at this time we feel that now we are beginning afresh. Through that helpful quirk in the mind that takes advantage of this "calendar accident," we rid ourselves of much that held us too close to the immediate, and look backward with a saner perspective, and forward with keener perception.

It is a time when we may well consider our main objective, the one thing we are all working toward,—Good Architecture, the fine art of building to meet human needs, both physical and psychological. Architecture implies more than comfort or mechanical efficiency if it is a fine art. It demands that a building be æsthetically satisfying as well as functionally efficient and economically sound. The emphasis now placed on the latter qualities is salutary, for they are basic. Too often we have thought of appearances without consideration of uses; too often we have "designed" with little thought of the construction or the economics.

FUNCTIONALISM is the basis of good architecture to day as it has always been,—the basis, but not the whole. Considerations of scale, proportion, balance, rhythm, color cannot be neglected in our worthy efforts to make our buildings "function." Rather, they are necessary elements in *complete* functioning. Ugliness and crudity may mark some attempts at "mechanistic" efficiency in building, but they are not at all necessarily attributes. More perfect solutions will satisfy the whole man, his need for beauty, his desire for certain right relations of line, form, color, proportions of spaces and masses.

Good Architecture demands the continuation of emphasis on the *quality* of materials and workmanship and on the careful selection of the right material for the use which it is to serve. It also requires the development of new materials and new uses of available materials. The architect's creative imagination is as necessary in connection with this phase as in the development of pleasing forms.

THE great danger in our current emphasis on economics, mechanical efficiency, materials and methods is that they may become ends in themselves. Above all, human relationships, man's needs and desires, must be paramount in our thinking. All other factors must be subservient and contributary. Good Architecture is humanized,not merely mechanized, for the sociological and psychological aspects of each building are of prime importance. Fundamentally, architecture is the art of enclosing space and providing facilities for various human activities in such a way that they contribute not only to physical wellbeing but to the finer sensibilities. If we will keep the fundamentals constantly before us during the coming year, it will be reflected in the quality and character of American architecture, and buildings will be created that are more truly functionally efficient, economically sound and æsthetically satisfying,-in other words,-Good Architecture.

Sermeth Kettowell

THE SECOND MILE

THERE is always a tendency to let someone else do it. There is a feeling that the efforts of an organization in some way absolve the individual from further contribution of his own effort and time. Organizations have set up committees, for instance, to handle the "unemployment situation." The committees have done effective work. They have announced, at their luncheons, the grand totals of money received and pledged, and have then felt that the job was done and that now it was up to the efficient agencies of distribution, —the charity organizations, and so forth,—to distribute the satisfactory totals in small amounts.

Feeling that we have done our share, the subject no longer interests us. Yet, should this stop here? Have we done our level best to relieve the unemployment in our own ranks? Have we any assurance that the money that has been generously contributed will help some destitute draftsman and his dependents? Will the temporary employment be such that the recipient will be doing some constructive work of the kind for which he is fitted? There is research work, planning work, drafting work which these men could do under proper direction which would be far better than cleaning up the parks and vacant lots.

I T is the duty of each architect and architectural office, as far as it is humanly possible, to give employment, even at a minimum wage, to former employes. Such effort can be promotion work, research work that will make the office more efficient when times are better,—such as developing efficient office methods, standards and practice,—or studies of projects which might be promoted when . the time comes.

Each local architectural organization could do no better than to realize that charity begins at home, and devise ways and means of tiding over those who have been employed by their members and who have served them faithfully in more prosperous times. Such ways and means might be, in addition to the individual efforts just mentioned, the development of plans for the locality, for the city or town and its environs; for improving the building codes and zoning ordinances; for investigating present conditions with a view to future needs and developments. The job is not done until we have made every effort to aid *directly* the less fortunate in our own ranks.

THE MAN NOBODY KNOWS

WE have just had the embarrasing experience of learning that a term we have been using for years is wholly absurd, that there is no such thing. In the current issue of *Scribner's Magazine*, Mr. Thomas Beer lists forty questions that were propounded to a group of twenty-five young men and women, all college graduates or undergraduates but one. Among such sticklers as "Who were the Piccolomini?" etc., there appeared one innocent-looking challenge near the bottom of the list: "Name three living American architects."

You will say, of course, that Mr. Beer added that one to comfort the young intelligentsia in their distressed ignorance. Perhaps he did; if so, his good intentions were wasted, for only four of the twenty-five were able to name three living American architects! And so we shall never be able to use the term "a well known architect" without appending the notation, "well known to his office force, his bill collectors, and his club cronies."

Perhaps the other twenty-one didn't know what an architect is? At any rate, Mr. Beer tells us that six left the answer blank. One boldly scratched the name of Christopher Wren as one of his three; four men and one woman jotted down Stanford White as their choice; another gave Graham, Anderson, PABST & White.

After all, there are only two goals in professional pursuit,—wealth and recognition. (If we leave out personal satisfaction in service.) We know, and can prove by the soles of the shoes of thousands of architects, that there is little money to be made in the profession, and now it seems that recognition is also denied.

One way of getting ahead is to bid for fame in another field. For instance, who has not heard of George Chappell, the writer, the satirist, the explorer of the alimentary canal? On the other hand, who hears constantly of George Chappell, the architect? ("Who wants to?" suggests Mr. Murchison.) Even Mr. Hoover would have gone down into posterity as an unknown engineer if he hadn't got himself another job; and sometimes the Senate makes him wish he had. So, you see, it is possible to become prominent if you use the proper tactics. One might also marry an actress, or an heiress, or divorce one and marry the other, send a sketch of a "proposed" 200-story building to the newspapers, win a costume prize at the Beaux Arts Ball, write a book on "functionalism." In less than no time, you will be front page news, you will be talked about at dinner tables, and who knows but what you might get a job out of it !

We are indebted to Mr. Beer for revealing the depths of obscurity to which all architects are sunk. It is well to know the truth, sorrowful though it may be. After all, there were others in the questionnaire who made out worse than the architects. Only one person knew who the Piccolomini were, only three knew who discovered the circulation of the blood, and not a soul could name five motor cars manufactured in England. So, you see, architects are much better known than the motor cars of England. J. C. F.



COMMUNITY APARTMENTS

Model of the Heiligenstadter Apartments, Vienna. Karl Ehn, Architect

-A NEW DEVELOPMENT IN HOUSING

BY

FRANCIS S. ONDERDONK

 $\Gamma^{\rm HE}_{\rm Austria}$ at the conclusion of the World War has been materially lessened since the establishment of the Austrian Republic by the activity of the new Social-Democratic government in Vienna, which inaugurated, in 1923, a housing scheme surpassing in scope all former activities of a similar kind. At the inception of the project the city was suffering from an acute housing famine that had prevailed since 1911 as well as a serious business depression. During and after the war private capital was not invested in building activities, and before the municipal development began, the architectural profession and the building trades were threatened with virtual extinction. Among the laboring classes slum conditions, caused by high rents and insufficient and congested housing facilities, were general. Drastic social and economic measures were necessary to insure civic existence, and the extensive development of community housing schemes, owned and maintained by the city, was instituted.

Planned to care pleasantly and economically for the needs of an entire community, by a single organization, the municipal "Wohnhausbau" has been evolved as a new type of multiple The increasing complexity of civic problems should receive the serious consideration of architects. THE ARCHITECTURAL FORUM will publish articles dealing with city planning and community housing problems by prominent authors here and abroad, and will be glad to receive comments from its readers. The accompanying article is the first of this series. Its author, Dr. Onderdonk, is a Professor of Architecture in the University of Michigan, and the author of "The Ferro-Concrete Style." The second article will appear in an early issue.

dwelling. Its size varies from a capacity of 22 to 1,600 flats, the size of the individual apartments varying with the location and size of the project. In plan, the group houses form quadrangles, enclosing garden courts which cover from 50 to 75 per cent of the plot area. Some of them approach the size of a public square, and, besides providing sunlight and air for the buildings, contain recreation facilities for adults and children. In effect the buildings enclose a park, separated from traffic, and provide a safe, pleasant and convenient playground for tenants.

Specifically, the Wohnhausbau is planned for communal living. Usually four dwellings are accessible from one stair, and corridors are ex-



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Kindergarten wing in the Municipal Brunnerstrasse Apartment, Vienna

The Franz Klein Hof Apartments, Vienna. Karl Krist, Architect. A view of the courtyard and the children's wing

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cluded as far as possible. Dwellings range in size from 430 to 603 square feet and are planned to provide the maximum of convenience in occupancy. The "Sandleiten," situated on the outskirts of the city near the woods, may be taken as typical for the larger building groups. It contains 1,386 apartments divided as follows:

- 95 One-room apartments for bachelors
- 124 Flats, with living room and kitchen
- 775 Flats, with living room, kitchen and one small chamber
- 156 Flats with living room, kitchen and two small chambers
- 140 Flats with two living rooms and kitchen
- 73 Flats with two living rooms, kitchen and one small chamber
- 6 Flats with two living rooms, kitchen and two small chambers
- 14 Flats with three living rooms and kitchen3 Flats with three living rooms, kitchen and one small chamber

The apartments contain toilets, but baths are provided in centrally located groups. In houses containing over 300 flats steam laundries are installed in the basement, and, in most cases, a group includes a building for the common deposit of refuse. Every effort has been made to raise the standard of living while still maintaining a necessary maximum in economy. To this end many house groups have free public libraries, lecture halls, gymnasiums, medical, dental clinics,



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Entrance to the Sandleiten Apartments. Notice the courtyard beyond the gates

Municipal two-family houses. Willy Peterle, Architect. These houses are built in a garden city development on the outskirts of Vienna





The Garden court of the Fuchsenfeldhof Apartments, Vienna. This is one of three courts in this group of buildings and contains, in addition to a wading pool, a children's playground. (Below) The court in the Quarinplatz Apartments





Court in the Sandleiten Apartments

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The architect's drawing of a cafe and terrace in t h e Heiligenstadter Apartments. Karl Ehn, Architect



maternity bureaus, kindergartens, day nurseries and general recreation rooms for adults. Cooperative stores, post offices, restaurants, cafes, motion picture theaters and shops are incorporated in many of the groups, all tending toward the development of a self-sufficient community.

The buildings are designed to fill adequately the varied needs of the occupants, and the treatment has been frankly utilitarian. Cleanliness and economy of maintenance are important requirements in the design of such groups, and simple, durable materials have been used to fulfill them. Color has been extensively used in large areas; sculpture is used sparingly. The repetition of balconies and bay windows serves to characterize a set-back building design and to admit the maximum of air and sunlight to apartments.

Vienna has built, since 1923, 45,000 dwellings, providing needed shelter for some 200,-000 people, most of them being a part of the large developments already described. The majority of them were designed by private architects and built by private contractors supervised by the Municipal Building Office. All were built on city-owned property, thus saving the cost of laying gas, water, electricity and sewer mains, and were constructed of materials either purchased or manufactured by the city. The rent of an apartment ranges from \$1 to \$3, and is used entirely for maintenance, no interest being placed upon the invested capital. The technical supervision and administration are controlled entirely by the city.

Over a period of seven years the municipal government has demonstrated the effectiveness of its housing scheme. The start, by building 25,- 000 apartments, offered immediate employment to individuals in dire circumstances. The successive completion of the projects improved at once the social and economic condition of many others. That the plan is a success is evidenced by the city's expanded program, which is committed to the completion of a total of 64,000 municipal dwellings by 1932. The essentials of the plan are simple; the effect has been an immediate solution of many involved civic problems; and both are worthy of serious architectural consideration in this country.

The Library in the Kreitnergasse-Thaliastrasse Apartments. A. Stockl, Architect. Notice the simplicity of the room and the distribution of daylight





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A portion of the Heiligenstadter Apartment group. This faces the interior court and is adjacent to one of the entrances to the group

MUNICIPAL APARTMENTS IN THE SUBURBS OF VIENNA Entrance and center facade from the street of the Heiligenstadter Apartments. (See the cut on page 43 for a view of the interior court.) Below are examples of a drying room and laundry that are typical of the communal services of these apartment groups

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 $S_{\rm cally}$ the only materials used for the exterior of this building, designed to house the administrative offices of the Worcester Pressed Steel Company. It is entirely fitting that the exterior of this building should be made to express its purpose through the use of the materials actually manufactured by the company. This fact accounts for a large amount of decorative steel detail used as frieze and cornice and around the main entrance. The entrance, door frame and grilles are of polished stainless steel. The decoration of this entrance was designed to exemplify methods of joining and working metal, as casting, stamping, forging, etc. The use of fairly large steel surfaces in certain portions detracts somewhat from the steely quality of the design. These surfaces might, except for the aluminum paint, easily be mistaken, from a distance, for stone. The ornamental forms seem to show a derivation from stone rather than essentially steel character. Any stone impression one may have from a distance is dissipated on closer scrutiny of the building. The structural steel columns are entirely exposed, and the structural members are joined with rivets with larger than standard size heads in order to emphasize the steel quality. The exterior was sandblasted and covered with several coats of aluminum bronze paint, and black was used for emphasis. (Continued on page 52)

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VIEW FROM ENTRANCE LEVEL (RIGHT) FROM COURT AT REAR



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The building also houses a museum in which the progress of steel from the early craftsmanship to the modern machine production, exemplified in an automobile chassis, is traced. It was thought that for the display of the armor and mediæval steel-work, the architectural treatment of the room should be reminiscent of the architecture of the times, and therefore the room is vaulted in a Gothic manner. The museum vaulting is in imitation Caen stone, and at the end of each nave is a rose window in stained glass. The floor is of large tile laid in a random ashlar pattern. Perhaps it would be possible to exhibit these things with equal effectiveness in a room very simply designed in flat steel which would be consistent with the modern use of steel and glass in the exterior.

The building is of mill construction internally faced with structural steel and glass. The walls are almost entirely of glazed steel sash set in two planes for effect. The sash is joined to the structural steel simply and efficiently. The office portions of the building are typical of common practice. The entrance lobby is in linen-fold paneling, with a rough-textured plaster ceiling and patterned tile floor laid on a steel deck.

The building is an outstanding achievement in the use of modern materials in the most effective way, and will undoubtedly have its effect on the future design and efficiency of buildings.



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THE VAULTED ARMORY. IT HOUSES A COMPLETE EXHIBIT OF MEDIÆVAL METAL ARTCRAFT THE MAIN ENTRANCE (BELOW) THE DOOR FRAME AND GRILLES ARE POLISHED STEEL; THE AR-CHITRAVE IS WROUGHT IRON



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ENGLISH COTSWOLD HOUSES

FROM PHOTOGRAPHS BY H. ROSSITER SNYDER



THE ENTRANCE TO A TWELFTH CENTURY INN AT BROADWAY





GROUP HOUSES IN THE VILLAGE OF BIBURY, OXFORDSHIRE



A 14th CENTURY HOUSE AT BIBURY, OXFORD-SHIRE




A ROUGH TEXTURED STONE COTTAGE AT LOWER SLAUGHTER, OXFORDSHIRE

DRESSED STONE LAID IN ALTERNATING COURSES AT BIBURY, OXFORDSHIRE





THE UTMOST IN SIMPLICITY. A ROUGH STONE COTTAGE AT BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE



AN UNUSUAL VARIATION FROM THE COTS-WOLD TYPE, BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE





CLIMBING VINES AND BORDER GARDENS GIVE THE ULTIMATE TOUCH OF AGE AND MELLOWNESS TO COTSWOLD COTTAGES



A LATE PERIOD TOWN HOUSE IN THE COTS-WOLD VILLAGE OF BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE





A DOVE-COTE ON THE VILLAGE SQUIRE'S ES-TATE AT BIBURY, OX-FORDSHIRE

A WALLED-UP DOOR OF THE ANCIENT ALMS-HOUSE OF BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE

UNDERNEATH A STONE TILE ROOF. EACH STONE IS DRILLED AND PEGGED TO PREVENT SLIPPING







HOUSE OF LOCKWOOD BARR, ESQ. PELHAM, NEW YORK



Richard Averill Smith

ENTRANCE FRONT

ELECTUS D. LITCHFIELD ARCHITECT





HOUSE OF LOCKWOOD BARR, ESQ. PELHAM, NEW YORK ELECTUS D. LITCHFIELD ARCHITECT

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Richard Averill Smith

LOOKING SOUTHEAST. KITCHEN WING AT LEFT



Richard Averill Smith

LOOKING NORTHEAST. SOLARIUM WING AT RIGHT



Richard Averill Smith

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GARDEN FRONT

The house was originally planned with a straight stair, running parallel to the hallway between the living room and the dining room, at right angles to the main entrance to the house. While the house was under construction, Mr. Litchfield prepared a study showing an interesting circular stairway carried up through the second floor into a little dome in the attic. The revision was approved by the owner, and the change was made with the excellent result shown opposite



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(RIGHT) FIRST FLOOR HALL AND STAIRS





Richard Averill Smith



Richard Averill Smith

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THE WOMEN'S CLUB RIDGEWOOD, N. J.



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VIEW FROM STREET



VIEW FROM GARDEN

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FIREPLACE IN LOUNGE. AN ORIGINAL, EARLY MANTEL

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SOCIAL ROOM

ORIGINAL, EARLY MANTEL AT ONE END OF LOUNGE



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SCULPTURE BY DAVID EVANS (Continued)



Photos. Dreyer

MODELS FOR BRONZE PANELS OF BAFFLE SCREEN, CITY BANK FAR-MERS' TRUST BUILDING, NEW YORK. CROSS & CROSS, ARCHITECTS





GARDEN FIGURES



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First Prize: House of Mott B. Schmidt, Bedford, New York Mott B. Schmidt, Architect

COMMON BRICK HOUSE COMPETITION

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I N addition to the seven prize houses here illustrated, the eighth prize was awarded to Wyatt & Nolting, Baltimore, Md., for the residence of C. K. Wells, Jr.; the ninth prize to George M. Ewing, Philadelphia, Pa., for the "Crab Apple House"; the tenth prize to Harry Howe Bentley, Ravinia, Ill., for the residence of Henry Hammer.

The jury also selected the following entries as being worthy of special mention:

Harvey	Stevenson,	New York City	Fraser
Robert	Schmertz,	Pittsburgh, Pa.	
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A. B. C. D. Kobert Schmertz, Fittsburgh, Fa.
C. Oliver R. Johnson, Jamestown, Garratt Residence N. Y.
D. Arnold W. Heath, Boston, Mass. Heath Residence
E. Louis Stevens, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Steel Residence
F. Rodgers & Poor, New York City
G. E. B. Van Keuren, Birmingham, Ala.

Residence

Hewlett Harbor Residence

G. E. B. Van Keuren, Birmingham, Ala.
H. Raymond J. Percival, Hartford, Conn.
J. William B. Betts, Chicago, Ill.
J. David R. Williams, Dallas, Texas
K. David R. Williams, Dallas, Texas
L. Erling H. Pedersen, Philadelphia
M. Murchison & Gompert, New York City Armstrong Residence McKie Residence Clark Residence Kendall Residence Kienle Residence N. Rodgers & Poor, New York City Rassapeague House O. William E. Linch, Columbus, Ohio Hartford Residence

The report of the jury says, in part: "It was gratifying to us to learn that the first prize, which was the unanimous choice of the jury by a secret ballot, is the home of an architect. On the contrary, we consider it extremely unfortunate that it was necessary to eliminate one or two homes which had gained momentary positions among the first ten for prizes, when we learned that they were constructions of brick veneer, quite contrary to the wording and intent of the competition announcement.

"If it were permissible to add a word of advice to some who may desire to enter other competitions of this kind, it would be that competitors present their material in an artistic manner, and that they put greater emphasis on the quality of photography."

The jury consisted of Charles S. Schneider, Munroe W. Copper, Jr., and James H. Duthie.

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First Prize: House of Mott B. Schmidt, Bedford, New York. Mott B. Schmidt, Architect





Second Prize: House of Nelson T. Hayes, South Norwalk, Conn. Philip S. Graham, Architect





Third Prize: Residence of W. Wallace Rowe, Cincinnati, Ohio. John Henri Deekin, Architect



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Entrance Porch



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Fourth Prize: Residence of William Bruce McConnel, Mt. Lebanon, Pa. Albert A. Tappe, Architect







Fifth Prize: Residence of D. K. Winton. Field & Jenkins, Architects · JANUARY · 1931 · THE ARCHITECTURAL FORUM · 87



Sixth Prize: Residence of W. A. Kittridge, Evanston, Ill. A. Er-win Nicolai, Architect





Seventh Prize: Residence of A. F. Millet, Lake Forest, Ill., Russell S. Walcott, Architect





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- Hanley Company, Bradford, Pa. General Catalog. 16 pp. 8½ x 11 ins. Illustrated. Bradford Reds. Folder. 8 pp., 3 x 8 ins. Illustrated.

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