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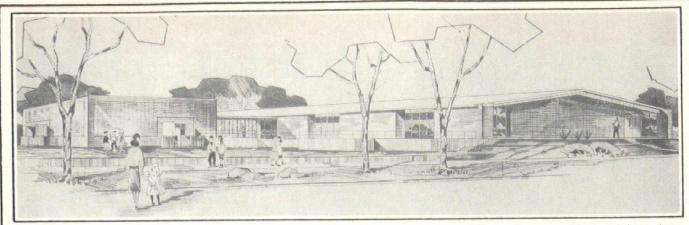
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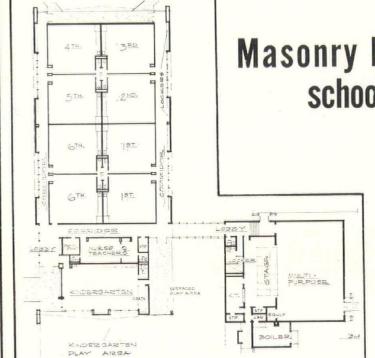
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Whittier Elementary School, Oskaloosa, Iowa N. Clifford Prall, Architect Sparks Construction Co., Oskaloosa, General Contractor



Masonry helps solve school design problems

Here was the problem facing N. Clifford Prall, Architect, in designing the Whittier Elementary School in Oskaloosa, Iowa. Heavy street traffic will be only 15 feet away from one side of the building; a play area will be right next to the building on the other side. Mr. Prall had to find a way of keeping the sound level to the minimum in the classrooms.

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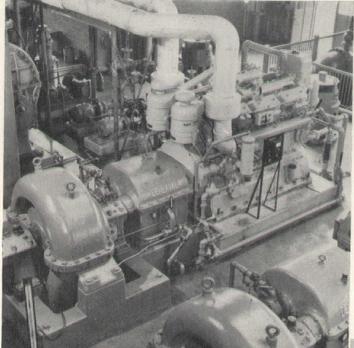
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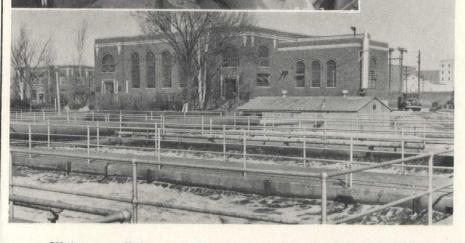


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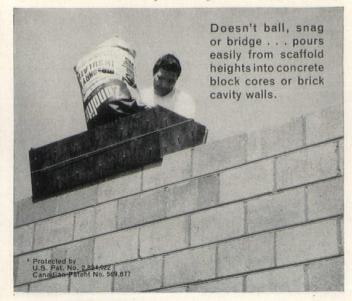
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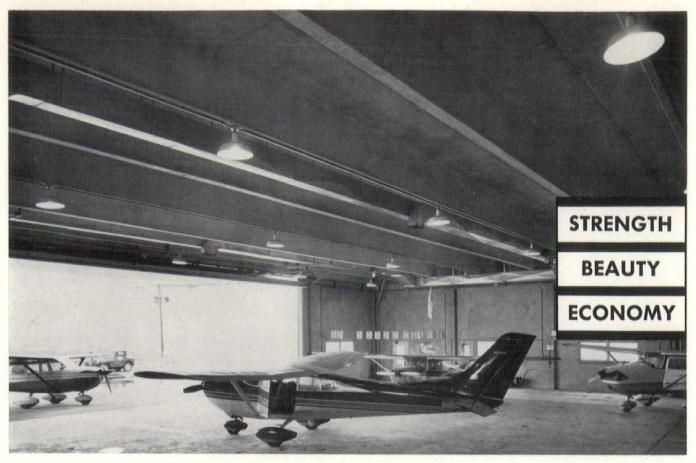
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THERE IS a very pleasant sense of increasing momentum in the Iowa Chapter, A.I.A., these days.

Two years ago, when the chapter voted to stiffen its dues structure, establish an office and undertake a broader program, this publication discussed the matter under the heading "Wheels for the Wagon." A series of changes in the bylaws put the wheels on the wagon; the 1960 officers and committees gave the vehicle a good hard push, and the 1961 crew has taken over with vigor.

It is now apparent that the wagon is moving right along.

A program of honor awards, long discussed in the Iowa chapter, became a reality this year. Information has been distributed to the membership; first awards will be made at the 1962 convention. First steps have been taken toward production of a movie on Iowa architecture. Film has been distributed to member firms, who will participate by photographing projects in their areas.

For the first time in ten years, Iowa was represented in the class of fellows invested at the A.I.A. convention. This recognition resulted not only from the merit of the candidate, but also from a considerable effort by the chapter and its fellowship committee in preparing nominating materials and obtaining recommendations in the required format.

At the national convention, the Iowa chapter was recognized for highest attendance at 1960 chapter meetings, among chapters of more than 100 members. The pace is being maintained in 1961; the convention banquet drew a record crowd of 421, besting last year's attendance by 50, and a most successful spring conference held in conjunction with Iowa State University, drew 73 Iowa architects and eight visitors from Nebraska, Minnesota, Missouri and Illinois. Chapter membership continues to grow. It passed 200 during 1960, and now stands at 218 (137 members of the A.I.A., 44 associates and 37 junior associates.)

The Iowa chapter has the privilege of speaking for the profession, almost without exception, in Iowa. In percentage of practicing architects which are members, the Iowa group ranks very high in the nation.

Its stature in this respect was demonstrated during the recent legislative session, when committee members in the legislature sought consultation from this chapter on measures affecting school design. (Two bills encouraged by the chapter's legislative committee were introduced; one passed the house of representatives.)

Next on the calendar, the summer outing is planned primarily for fun, though there will be a chance to talk business, too. We'll look forward to seeing you there. At work or at play, the Iowa Chapter is becoming an exceedingly live organization, and it is very stimulating to see it increase speed, scope and impact.



Summer Outing in Cedar Rapids

A FULL, varied and weather-conditioned weekend awaits architects and their ladies in Cedar Rapids July 14, 15 and 16.

Headquarters will be the cool Town House Motel on the east edge of the city (Iowa's second largest, now). The Town House pool will be convenient for swimmers and splashers, and will provide an attractive setting for a buffet barbecue Friday night and a Sunday brunch.

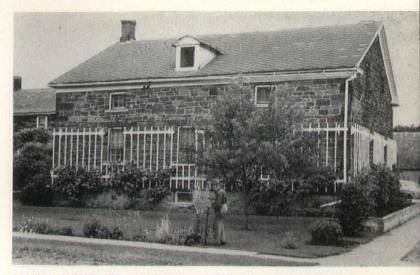
Facilities of the Officers Club, a private club in the

Town House, will be available to all persons registering for the weekend.

Golfers may use the Elmcrest Country Club course in northeast Cedar Rapids, a scenic course convenient to

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the Town House. Shoppers will want to explore the nearby Lindale Plaza shopping center.

Saturday morning, after a brief chapter meeting, an air-conditioned bus will take the party to the historic and colorful Amana colonies. An Amana girl guide will join the party there, to conduct the tour through the colonies. Established by a group of German Pietists in the mid-1800's, the colonies were a true communal organization for 75 years. After World War I and paved roads destroyed their isolation, they voted to convert to capitalism, and the Amana Society is now a corporation. Much of the flavor of oldtime folkways remains; some of the original sandstone houses are preserved, and the woolen mill, furniture factory and bakeries retain distinctive products. The architects' group will have lunch at the Ox-Yoke Inn, where Amana foods and atmosphere are featured. If time permits, the sightseeing schedule may include several other points of architectural interest in Cedar Rapids and the vicinity.

Persons interested in painting will have an opportunity to see the Turner collection of Grant Wood's work. Wood lived for a time in a studio apartment over the Turner garage (a converted stable) in Cedar Rapids, and the Turner family purchased many of his paintings.

The Saturday evening dinner-dance will be in the Cedar Rapids Country Club. An area in the club will be set aside to serve refreshments and dinner to the architects' group.

E. H. Healey, Cedar Rapids, is in charge of plans for the summer outing. Registration materials, listing fees, motel rates, etc., will be sent directly to the membership,



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First Iowa Honor Awards

"To encourage appreciation of excellence in architecture and to afford recognition of exceptional merit in recently completed buildings," the Iowa Chapter, A.I.A., is instituting a program of Honor Awards for current work.

Rules of the program, as drafted by Charles Herbert, A.I.A., Des Moines, and approved by the chapter's executive committee, have been distributed to all members.

First awards will be made at the 1962 convention, of which Herbert is general chairman.

Awards will be made for "distinguished accomplishment in architecture," designed by resident members of the Iowa chapter. The buildings may have been erected in the United States or abroad; they must be completed since January 1, 1957, and before January 1, 1962, to qualify for the first awards.

The program is open to buildings of all types. Entries may be separated into categories at the discretion of the jury. Entry forms are available from the chapter office, 422 Securities Building, Des Moines 9, and must be returned to that office by November 1, 1961. Entries are to be submitted before the 1962 convention, in January.

Iowa Work at AASA Regional

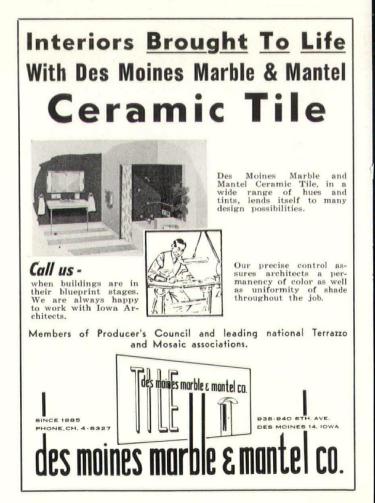
Work of five Iowa architects was selected for exhibit at the regional conference of the American Association of School Administrators in St. Louis March 11-14.

Louis C. Kingscott & Associates, Davenport, received a citation for design of the South East Junior High School, Iowa City. Among the jury's comments were "good use of site, well located open spaces, and easy informality."

Other firms whose work was hung at the conference were Dane D. Morgan and Associates, Burlington, Black Hawk Elementary and Madison Junior High schools, Burlington; N. Clifford Prall, Des Moines, Battle Creek High school and Fredericksburg Elementary School; Savage and VerPloeg, West Des Moines, Webster City High School; Smith-Voorhees-Jensen Architects Associated, Des Moines, Perry High School.

All these designs have been published in the Iowa Architect except the new Perry high school. A rendering of the Battle Creek project was in the 1958 schools issue (Nov.-Dec.); and others appeared in the 1960 issue.

The jury commented that "no trend was discernible" in buildings exhibited at the conference. "Diversity that reflects efforts to uniquely adapt new school buildings to climatic conditions, to pecularities of site, to specialized features of an instructional program, and to budgetary limitations of a particular district stands out clearly," they summed up.





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Spring meeting at Iowa State



PROF. LEONARD WOLF, head of the department, presents awards at the student chapter banquet following the seminar. From left, Wolf; Robert L. Johnson, who received the Leo A. Daly award for building design; J. D. Willis, the A.I.A. book award; Robert M. Lee, the Durrant and Bergquist award for fourth year attainment in the architectural curriculum.



BOWERS AWARD to a senior student in architectural engineering, for work in professional courses, senior year, goes to R. L. Swanson. Mrs. Swanson is at left.



JOHN R. HIX won the A.I.A. school medal, awarded in recognition of scholarship, personality and promise of successful practice. He is shown with O. H. Thorson, Waterloo, regional A.I.A. director, who presided at the seminar. Hix received A.I.A. and N.A.H.B. scholarships totaling \$1500 for this year's study.



BANQUET SPEAKER was Harry Weese, Chicago, left, pictured with Burdette Higgins, Des Moines. Weese and Prof. Wolf became fellows of the A.I.A. at the Philadelphia convention later in April.

OTHER AWARD WINNERS include James Dwinell, who received the \$100 Karl Keffer award to a student demonstrating promise of a high level of performance and great enthusiasm toward professional practice of architecture; George Rolfe, the Alpha Rho Chi medal to a graduating senior in architecture, for leadership, service and promise; William Roe and Dennis D. Burns, the freshman and sophomore prizes, respectively, from the architecture faculty. Student chapter A.I.A. awards went to Tom Jones and Swanson, in architecture tural engineering, and to Roger Roslansky, Bill Reckmeyer and Jerry Bockelman, in architecture.

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"PAST MORTGAGE insurance programs have not advanced the value of urban renewal but rather have served to consign middle-income residents to suburbia for lack of decent, moderate priced housing in the city. This mass exodus . . . from the city has encouraged urban sprawl and accelerated the disorderly growth of the suburbs, simultaneously increasing the high cost of suburban services and depriving the city of the vitality and tax base it must have to survive . . ."

So declared Philip Will, Jr., FAIA, President of the American Institute of Architects before the Housing Subcommittee of the Banking and Currency Committee, United States Senate. He was speaking on behalf of Senate Bill 1478.

In detailing the AIA position on the various provisions of the proposed legislation, Will said of Title I, which deals with housing for moderate income families:

"It is difficult for us to understand why mortgage insurance should be granted immunity from the responsibility which other building programs must bear. It is our firm opinion that mortgage insurance grants should be based on the same requirements for orderly development which apply to urban renewal and other Federal financing programs . . .

"... we recommend that mortgage insurance programs relate only to areas with workable programs for order-

ly and comprehensive development. We believe emphatically that such grants should be denied to neighborhoods which have no part in an overall plan; which lack the financial resources needed to provide the public services that new housing will demand; which are blighted by heavy traffic, and which suffer from poor land use."

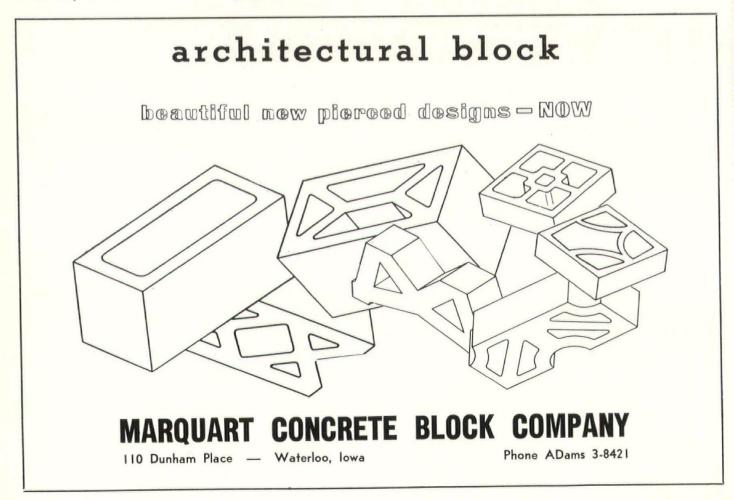
"Our efforts," President Will stated, "Should lead to creating a livable and beautiful environment which will fulfill America's spiritual aspirations and highest ideals of the dignity of man. This is not luxury, but a matter of sound and sensible economic and social policy."

"We must do more than we have done in the past to accomplish the orderly building and redevelopment of urban America; we must do it in a less wasteful and fragmentary fashion; we must apply Federal mortgage insurance programs in the cities as well as in suburban areas, and we must develop our urban areas on a regional or metropolitan area basis."

The AIA, Will continued, supports Title II of the proposal on home improvement and rehabilitation, "as a potentially effective tool particularly in areas that have conservation value. This is a program which appeals to individual initiative."

The program authorizing mortgage insurance on residential structures using new materials and methods and involved in neighborhood property standard experiments, has been sought by the profession and building industry for many years, Will said in his testimony.

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new housing for elder citizens

GONE—ALMOST GONE—is the day when the old mansion or obsolete hotel will be converted for use as a custodial or nursing home in Iowa.

In the past three years, 29 nursing homes and major additions have been built in the state. Fourteen more are now under construction, and plans for another 18 have been submitted to the Division of Hospital Services, State Department of Health. Twenty-five to 30 other individuals or groups have expressed interest in beginning such a project; many have fund drives underway, and have been granted loans.

Recently completed projects include more than 1200 beds. Buildings under construction will add nearly 800 beds; contemplated projects (in active planning) total more than 1,000 beds. Together, the 61 projects represent more than 3,000 beds, and an investment of well over \$15 million.

The current trend to new construction is a marked contrast to the situation five years ago. Of several hundred nursing or "care-and-keep" homes existing before 1957, only two had been built for that purpose.

Three major factors contribute to the strength of the trend in Iowa: population trends, state regulations and available financing.

Iowa's population, aged 65 and over, is steadily increasing. In the 1950 census, 10.4 per cent of the state's residents were past 65; by 1960, the figure had risen to 11.4 per cent. Iowa now has a higher proportion of elder citizens than 48 other states, and is gaining on the leader.

State regulations regarding facilities for the elderly were tightened in 1957, after a fire in Council Bluffs took the lives of 19 residents in a converted residence.

Persons who seek approval of plans to renovate an old building, for nursing care, are strongly discouraged. State officials point out that the cost of bringing such a building up to required standards, and the time involved in reconstruction, are not warranted.

Five different programs now put federal funds at the disposal of groups interested in erecting modern facilities for the elderly. Several of these have been utilized in current projects, augmenting grants, bequests or other private funds.

There are, currently, 395 licensed nursing homes in Iowa, and 327 establishments licensed as custodial homes.

The number of licensed units more than doubled when the 1957 statutes went into effect. Existing homes were accepted under a "grandfather clause," but were required to meet fire regulations.

By definition, a nursing home must have a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse in attendance; custodial facilities offer housing with some personal services. Ownership of such facilities has shown as dramatic a change as the type of structure. Before 1957 only a handful of units were non-profit.

Of the 29 homes completed in the past three years, nine are church-supported; four are non-profit community cooperatives; two are fraternally supported and the remaining 14 are private and proprietary.

Among the 32 projects under construction, or for which plans are approved, 10 are private, profit-making facilities. Eleven are church-supported, seven are community non-profit endeavors and four are corporate proprietary.

The latter group represent a new type of financing, in which funds are raised through sale of bonds as a community offering.

Federal law specifies that designs must be certified by an engineer or architect. Architects are involved in 20 of the 32 current projects.

Cost per bed of the current and recent projects in Iowa ranges from \$4800 to \$8000 according to W. H. Lane, construction engineer in the Division of Hospital Services.

The various kinds of federal assistance available, and the extent to which they have been used in Iowa:

1. Hill-Burton f u n d s (public law 482). Outright grant of one-third the construction cost of hospital-connected facilities, or those operated under medical direction, for care of convalescent or chronically ill patients in need of skilled nursing care and related medical service. Grants to non-profit groups only. Three Iowa nursing homes have been constructed with such grants, and five more are underway.

2. FHA, section 232, insured loans to individuals or proprietary groups to provide similar skilled care and treatment for chronic or convalescent patients. No projects so far in Iowa.

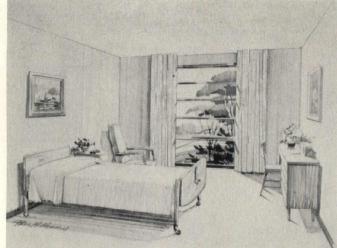
3. Small Business Administration, insured loans to individuals or proprietary groups, to provide accommodations offering skilled nursing care and medical services for chronic and/or convalescent patients. Two projects have been constructed, and another is underway, in Iowa.

4. FHA section 231, insured loans to non-profit groups for new or rehabilitated rental housing designed for use and occupancy by elderly persons. Four group housing facilities have been constructed with such loans, in Iowa.

5. Housing and Home Finance Administration, a new program of direct loans to non-profit groups to finance proposed rental housing for elderly persons.

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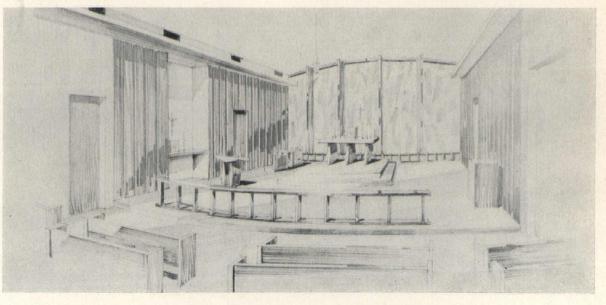


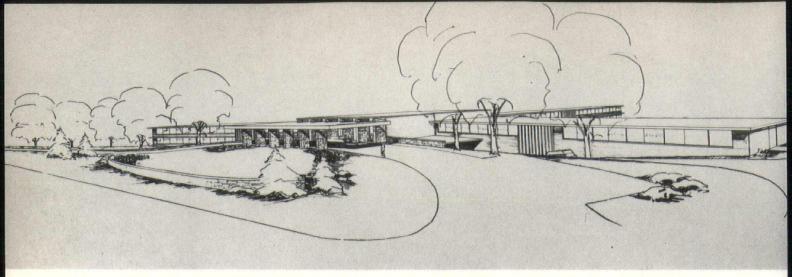
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AMONG THE LARGER current projects for the elderly is the 110-bed Kahl Home for the Aged and Infirm, Davenport. Ground breaking was June 9. Cost of the 64,750-sq. ft. structure was estimated at \$1,255,000. A Hill-Burton grant assists financing. Site is the 1100 block on West Ninth street; in the large sketch, looking south, the Mississippi River is in background.





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MORE THAN 200 BEDS will be provided by the Southwest Iowa Senior Center in Council Bluffs. Approximate cost of the structure is \$1,200,000. Financing is now being arranged.

The Y-shaped floor plan, with entry at various levels, has kitchen and dining room in the right wing on the lower floor. Central section on that floor contains occupational therapy and physical therapy equipment; xray and laboratory facilities; barber shop, beauty shop, launderette and kitchenette. Two wings are used for patient rooms, with nurses' stations midway.

On the upper floor, all three wings are devoted to patients' rooms, with nursing stations in each wing. Central portion, fronting on covered drive, contains entry, lounge, pharmacy and chapel. Administrative offices are on this level, between lounge and rear wing. Basement level will be excavated for storage, laundry, shops, and future expansion. Two elevators in central section connect all three levels; there are stairs in the wings adjacent to nursing stations.

Exterior construction will be brick with haydite block. Concrete panels with exposed aggregate will be used between windows; random cut ashlar stone at the entrance. Floors and roof use precast concrete joists. Interior partitions are haydite block. Heating is by hot water.

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TYPIFYING THE TREND toward modern county facilities is the Lafayette County Nursing Home in Darlington, Wis. All entrances of the two-story building are on grade, a result of grade separations at both ends of the building. Sixty patients are accommodated on the upper floor, and the building is designed for expansion to 120 patients by adding a third story. Lower floor contains service and food facilities and recreation room. The building contains 24,300 sq. ft. on two floors.

Construction is reinforced concrete; exterior walls are face brick and exposed aggregate concrete panels.

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BIDS will be taken this summer on a fireproof addition to the Sarah Harding Home for the Aged, Clinton. New construction will add 30 large guest rooms, matron's quarters, infirmary, guest laundries and various other facilities. Kitchen and dining facilities, heating and air-conditioning capacity for future 50-room addition are included in this unit. Heating and cooling will be accomplished by cabinet units using heated and chilled water. Exterior will be brick and stone. Site requires rock excavation; plan includes extensive concrete drives and parking areas. Estimated cost is \$440,000. Over-all plan includes fu-ture renovation or replacement of existing 55-year-old building.

RECENTLY completed at Morrison, III., the Resthave Home for the Aged's first unit has facilities for 25. Future construction will bring capcity to 75. Construction is brick veneer with complete fire de-tection system. Guest rooms, 10x14 ft., have individual toilet rooms and thermostatic control of heating. Basement contains indoor recreation area. Cost of first unit was under \$145,000.

FIRST UNIT (LEFT) PLANNED FOR EXPANSION (BELOW)

RESTHAVE HOME FOR AGED MORRISON, ILL. PROUT-MUGASIS JOHNSON, CLINTON



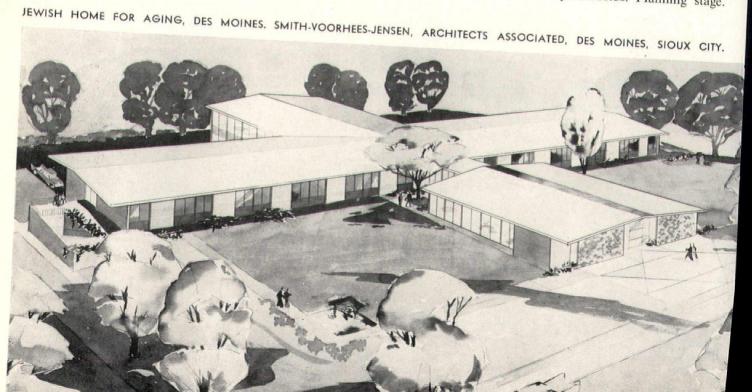
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NEARING COMPLETION is the Iowa Jewish Home for the

Aging, Des Moines. It is fully air conditioned with individually controlled fan coil units for each room. Twostory section includes elevator with 7x5 cab. First floor contains 32 single and 5 double rooms; nurses' station; examining room; occupational therapy; chapel; assist baths; living, dining, office areas. Ground floor has kitchen, physical therapy, laundry, committee room, space for 20 additional rooms. Plaster finish in tenant areas, glazed tile walls elsewhere; ceramic floors in kitchen, laundry and bath areas; vinyl asbestos floors elsewhere.

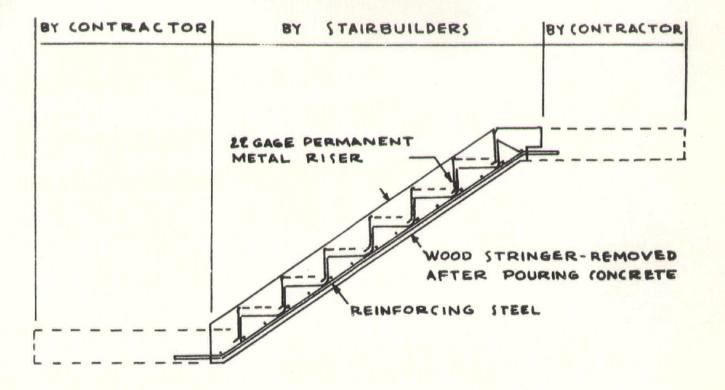
ADJACENT to the county hospital in Denison, the Eventide Home will provide 80 beds. Wing at left has 22 double rooms; home also has two 3-bed wards. Area, 23,365 sq. ft. Living and dining rooms, laundry, kitchen, offices, nursing station, staff room. Plaster on all interior walls and ceilings; ceramic floors in kitchen, bathroom and toilet rooms; vinyl asbestos floors elsewhere. Planning stage.

The cover project: First building in the Sunset Knoll Community, Aurelia, will have about 50 beds; be expandable to another 100 beds. Retirement wing contains nine apartments (living room, bedroom, bath), 8 single rooms. Nursing wing has 10 double rooms, 4 singles, 1 isolation. Central living and dining areas. Wood paneling in apartments and main living room; other finish plaster. Ceramic walls and floors in kitchen and bathrooms; other floors vinyl asbestos. Planning stage.



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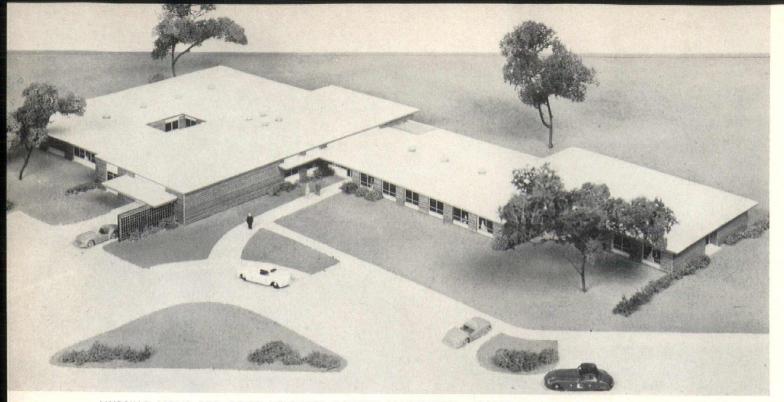
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for older citizens

mate number of beds):

(Continued from page 16)

One project is in the planning stage. Projects included in this compilation (name, location, and approxi-

Constructed since 1957: Nursing home addition to Community Hospital, Sioux Center, 31; Brentwood, LeMars, 47; Yearian Nursing Home, Williamsburg, 20; Rowley Masonic Home, Perry, 20; Luth eran Home for the Aged, Cedar Falls, 41, plus 22-bed addition; Friendship Home, Audubon, 87; Salsbury House, Charles City, 32; Nursing home addition to Allen Memorial Hospital, Waterloo, 77; Addition to Lutheran Home for the Aged, Madrid, 34; Retirement Home, Washington, 36; Buroker Nursing Home, Wilton Junction, 32; Good Samaritan Home, Mason City, 16; Plainview Nursing Home, Newton, 24; Addition to Eastern Star Home, Boone, 36; Sunnycrest, Dysart, 30; Osage Nursing Home, Osage, 45; Rose Vista, Woodbine, 56; Addition to Sisson Nursing Home, Humboldt, 19; Addition to Restview Nursing Home, Des Moines, 33; Addition to Ellen's Rest Home, Fort Dodge, 16; Sunrise Manor, Sioux City, 105; Hallmar addition to Mercy Hospital, Cedar Rapids, 30; Chautauqua Avenue Nursing Home, Charles City, 49; Continuation Care Center, Burlington (conversion of St. Francis hospital) 126; Clearview, Clearfield, 24; Elmwood, Onawa, 40; Haywood Nursing Home, Emmetsburg, 20.

All the above 29 projects are completed

and have been licensed by the State Division of Hospital Services.

Currently under construction are: Holy Family Hall, Dubuque, 103; Good Samaritan Home, Waukon, 32; Iowa Jewish Home, Des Moines, 40 (see page 20); Addition to Murphy Memorial Hospital, Red Oak, 35; Mennonite Retirement Home, Wayland, 36; Methwick Manor, Cedar Rapids, 189 (*Iowa Architect*, July-August, 1960); Klein Memorial, Burlington, 135; Hilltop House, Cherokee, 29; Addition to Lutheran Home for the Aged, Strawberry Point, 15; Avoca Nursing Home, Avoca, 48; Addition to Hand Memorial Hospital, Shenandoah, 28; New Haven Nursing Home, Des Moines, 42; Edgewood Convalescent Home, Edgewood, 32; Northwood Lutheran Retirement Home, Northwood, 22.

Contemplated projects (construction may have begun): Kahl Home for Aged and Infirm, Davenport, 110 (see page 17); Southwest Iowa Senior Center, Council Bluffs, 220 (see page 18); West View, Colfax, 10; Good Neighbor Home, Manchester, 50 (see page 22); Addition to Ramsey Memorial Home, Des Moines, 35; Nursing home addition to Pella Community Hospital, Pella, 32; Addition to Virginia Gay Hospital, Vinton, 48 (contracts let); Sheldon Community Hospital, Sheldon, 48; Addition to Salem Old People's Home, Elkhorn, 60; Westwood, Sioux City, 65; Marshalltown project, name not selected, 58; Sunset Knoll, Aurelia (see cover), 52; Addition to Bartels Lutheran Home for the Aged, Waverly, 30; Sarah Harding Home for the Aged, Clinton, 30 (see page 19); Fireside Manor, Missouri Valley, 70; Warn Nursing Home, Lone Tree, 37; Britt Nursing Home, Britt, 40; Eventide, Denison, 80 (see page 20).

SPITZNAGEL SPEAKS AT CARROLL HIGH

LATE SUMMER letting is anticipated for a 50-bed nursing home for the Good Neighbor Society in Manchester. Site is on highway 20 east of the city. Plan includes provision for future 50-bed addition. In working-drawing

stage; estimated cost \$320,000. Photo is of model.

Harold Spitznagel, F.A.I.A., Sioux Falls, S.D., spoke recently to an audience at the Carroll, Iowa high school.

His appearance was sponsored by the art department of the public schools. His subject was "A Kaleidoscopic View of Contemporary European Architecture."

AWARD TO H.S. SENIOR

William O. McFarlin of Davenport, a graduating high school senior, is an alternate winner for one of ten scholarships in civil and architectural engineering awarded by the American Institute of Steel Construction.

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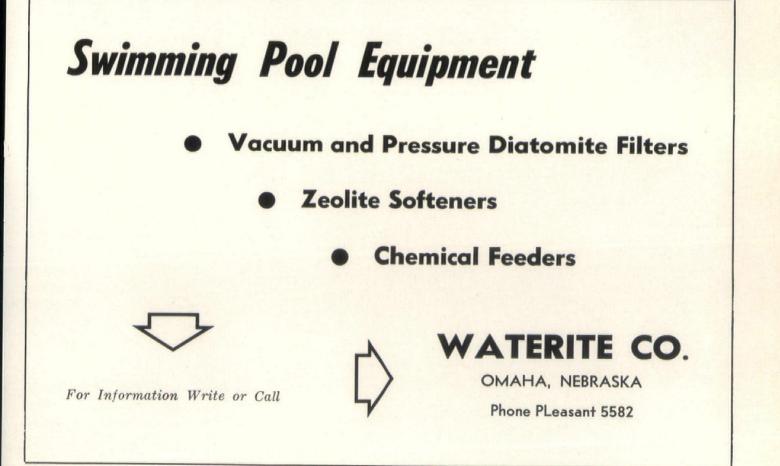
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CONSULTING FIRM OPENS IN IOWA CITY

Harold C. Hall, P.E., formerly with Powers & Associates, Iowa City, is operating a consulting service at Iowa City. His firm, Hall Engineering Services, consults on structures and foundations, soils and concrete testing, and is affiliated with a Chariton firm of geological consultants.

Hall's listing in the Iowa chapter directory (January-February issue, Iowa Architect) should be changed to show the new firm and its address, 710 South Riverside Drive. P.O. Box 572.

CHAPTER CONTRIBUTES TO SETZER MEMORIAL

A contribution toward the purchase of a painting by Theodoros Stamos, "The Archaic Vista," which will hang in the Des Moines Art Center, has been made by the Iowa Chapter, A.I.A., in memory of the late Mrs. Bernice Voshell Setzer, artist and art educator.

Mrs. Setzer was the only woman elected an honorary member of the Chapter.

WAGNER TO **REGIONAL POST**

William J. Wagner, A.I.A., of Wetherell-Harrison-Wagner, Des Moines, has been appointed to a one-year term as a corresponding member of the A.I.A. Committee on Preservation of Historic Buildings. His assignment covers the states of Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri and Iowa.

Wagner is chairman of the Iowa Chapter committee on Preservation of Historical Buildings.

IN NEW HOME

R. H. Lemon of Dougher-Frevert-Ramsey, and his family are in their new home at 2530 Lynner Drive. He qualified for Iowa registration in the 1960 fall examinations of the Iowa Board of Architectural Examiners.

SON BORN TO BROSHARS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Broshar, A.I.A., Waterloo, are the parents of a fourth son, Patrick, born March 1.

PERSONAL & PROFESSIONAL

WISE, ISU, ATTENDS CRANBROOK SEMINAR

Carl M. Wise, A.I.A., Department of Architecture and Architectural Engineering, Iowa State University, Ames, will attend the 1961 A.I.A. and Collegiate Schools of Architecture joint seminar at Cranbrook in June.

LOOSBROCK JOINS McGINN

Thomas W. Loosbrock is now associated with Donald P. McGinn in architectural practice at Dubuque. Loosbrock holds a bachelor of architecture degree from Notre Dame University.

VER STEEG IS SPEAKER

Slides and drawings were incorporated in a "Career Day" talk given by Carl Ver Steeg, Savage and Ver Ploeg, West Des Moines, on educational requirements, apprenticeship service and practical phases of architecture, to students at Pella High School, May 1.

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QUAD CITY GROUP VIEWS

The Iowa Chapter's newest A.I.A. film, "The Second United States," formed a part of the program for the May meeting of the Quad-City Architectural Association at Davenport. The film deals with the problems of urban renewal.

City planners from the Quad-City area were guests at the meeting. The group also discussed effects of the developing interstate highway system upon cities.

Architects from Davenport, Bettendorf, Moline and Rock Island participate in the association.

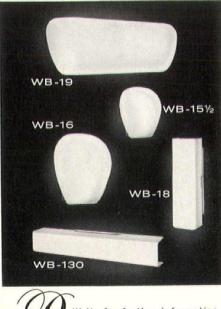
The film is available without charge to chapter members.

W-H-W IN NEW OFFICE

The Des Moines architectural firm of Wetherell-Harrison-Wagner has moved to new offices at 500 Hubbell Building, Des Moines 9.

Principals of the firm are Edwin H. Wetherell, A.I.A., Roland T. Harrison, A.I.A., William J. Wagner,

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Other chapter members with the firm are Leo A. Carney, an associate member, and Ray L. Thurston, a junior associate.

SOENKE APPOINTED TO CODE BOARDS

Louis G. Soenke, A.I.A., Davenport architect, has been appointed to the Davenport Building Code Board of Appeals and the Building Code Board of Review. He is Chairman of the House Committee for the Davenport Chamber of Commerce.

EMERITUS FOR ZALESKY

Charles B. Zalesky, who this year announced his retirement from the practice of architecture, has been elected to the status of Member Emeritus of the A.I.A. Zalesky, whose practice was last at 520 Merchants Building, Cedar Rapids, has been a member of the Iowa Chapter since 1945. He now is living in Sanford, Florida.

The action at the national level was taken on recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Iowa Chapter.

Other members emeritus of the Iowa chapter are Charles DeJarnette, Des Moines, E. R. Swanson, Sioux City, and Vernon F. Tinsley, Des Moines.

SPECIFICATIONS MEETING

Three members of the Iowa chapter A.I.A. are taking part in a discussion on writing specifications sponsored by the Des Moines Producers Council June 19.

Joe Borg will moderate the panel. Werner Zarnikow and Ken Coon will participate.

The meeting was scheduled from 4:00 to 9:30 at Connie and Lews, near the Des Moines airport. Dinner price is \$3.00.

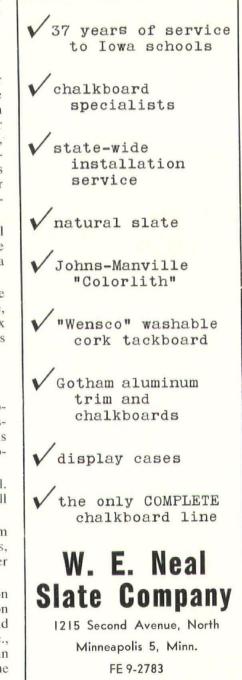
The panel included: Ken Swanson of Swanson Sales Company, Don Berg of Pittsburg Plate Glass, Harold Carlson of Carlson-Rockney, Inc., Herb Spekker of Arthur H. Neumann & Bros., and Jack Weichman of the M.B.I.

STOVER REORGANIZES

The R. S. Stover Company, manufacturers representatives of Marshalltown and Omaha, reorganized as a corporation.

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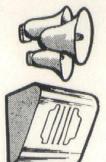


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SALISBURY AT DENISON

Allen Salisbury, A.I.A., of Smith-Voorhees-Jensen, Architects Associated, Sioux City, recently discussed opportunities for high school graduates in the field of architect at the annual Career Night program in Denison.

TWO NEW STAFFERS

Stewart-Robinson-Laffan, Davenport, announce the recent addition to their staff of Sam Skinner and William Dale. Skinner is a junior associate of the chapter.

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IN A.I.A. STRUCTURE

Three members of the Iowa Chapter have posts in the national structure of the A.I.A. O. H. Thorson, Regional Director, is a member of the Board of Trustees for the American Institute of Architects Foundation and a member of the Committee on Committees. Leonard Wolf of Ames is again a member of the Committee on the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture. Burdette Higgins has been named to a post on the National Judiciary Committee for a term beginning in January 1961.

PERSONAL

MEMORIALIZE PETERSEN BY CANCER GIFT

In memory of the late Christian Petersen of Gilbert, an honorary associate member of the chapter, the Iowa Chapter, A.I.A., has contributed to the Iowa Cancer Society.

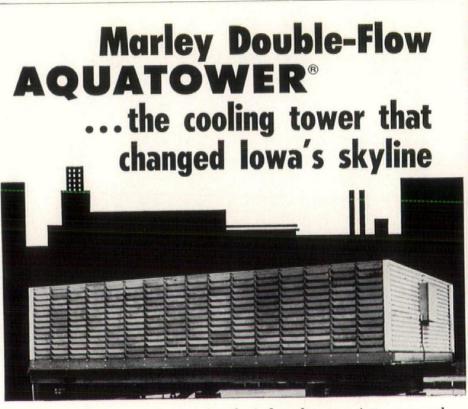
Petersen, a noted Iowa sculptor, and former faculty member at Iowa State University, Ames, died April 4 of cancer. He had been elected to honorary associateship in January of 1959.

& PROFESSIONAL

WILLIAM HUKILL IS NEW FIRM PARTNER

Ellsworth F. Kohlmann has announced the addition of William V. Hukill as a partner in the firm formerly known as Kohlmann & Eckman, and the adoption of the new firm designation, "Kohlmann—Eckman—Hukill Associates."

Hukill was among architects recently registered by the Iowa Board of Architectural Examiners.



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Will recommended that all planning assistance programs (section 608) be administered under a single section of the housing act of 1949 to avoid "disorder, waste, and general lack of accomplishment."

Continued community planning aid is necessary as insurance for funds already expended, he asserted.

With reference to education, he declared a great deficiency exists in the number of professionals capable of dealing with the problems of urban restoration and development. He said the A.I.A. recommends Federal scholarships and fellowships for intelligent and dedicated young men and women who train to enter this field.

Will also added this statement in support of a bill to assist political subdivisions in preserving open space land in and around urban areas (S.858):

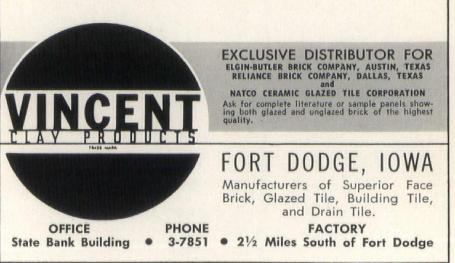
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BRADSHAW JOINS MOELLER

Yale C. Moeller, Des Moines landscape architect and associate member of the Iowa Chapter, has been joined by Jim Bradshaw, 1961 graduate in landscape architecture at Iowa State University, effective June 11, 1961.

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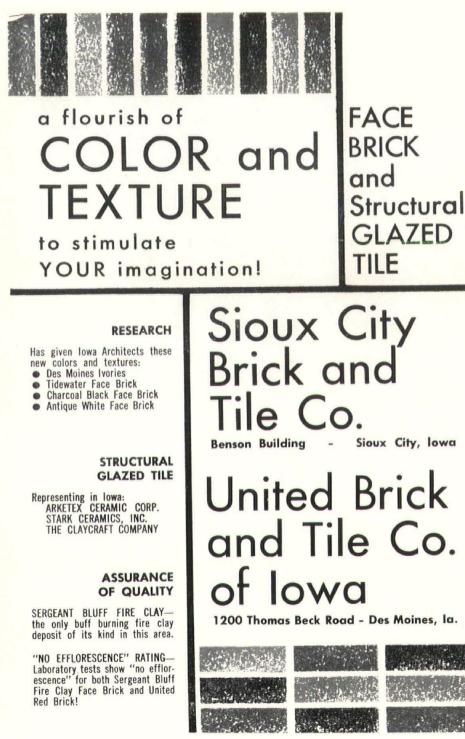
ST. LOUIS CONTEST SET FOR REGIONAL CONFERENCE

The St. Louis Chapter, A.I.A., announces the Central States District Competition to be held Sept. 27-30, in connection with the 16th Central States Conference.

Competition is open to members of any of the six chapters in the region, with awards to be made in the following classifications: religious, education, institutional, civic and recreational, industrial and commercial, residential, and special purposes.

Entries are due in the office of the Competition Committee Chairman, Donald L. Freeman, 105 Crandon Drive, Clayton 5, Mo., by Sept. 10.

Projects completed after Jan. 1, 1960 and/or those scheduled and



under contract by August 1, 1961 are admissible. Entries, either photog r a p h s or renderings, shall be mounted on white matting, no smaller than $20'' \times 30''$ and no larger than $40'' \times 40''$.

Instructions for the competition say: Each entry shall be clearly marked with name and address of building on the face; the Architect's name shall be enclosed in a plain, white envelope and attached to the back of the mat. On the outside of this sealed envelope write the Category in which the project is to be entered.

Certificates will be presented at the Friday night banquet of the Conference, to award winners in each field.

TWO NEW ASSOCIATES APPROVED BY CHAPTER

Ivan V. Warm, architect and engineer for Toenjes & Stenson, Waterloo, and Charles William DeKovic, Jr., an instructor in architecture at Iowa State University, were approved for associate membership in the Chapter in May.

JOINS BROOKS-BORG

New staff member at Brooks-Borg, Des Moines, is Harold Hueholt, electrical engineer formerly with Firestone Tire and Rubber Co.

Bill Kruse, internal vice president of the ISU student chapter, and Bill Dikis, also an ISU student, have been employed for summer work.

H. J. SCHNEIDER DIES

Henry J. Schneider, retired Council Bluffs architect, died of a cerebral hemorrhage in March.

Schneider designed the Council Bluffs Savings Bank and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, among other structures in that city.

VIFQUAIN TO OMAHA

John Vifquain, a chapter junior associate formerly with Tinsley, Higgins, Lighter and Lyon, Des Moines, has moved to Omaha and is employed by Kirkham, Michael & Associates, engineers.

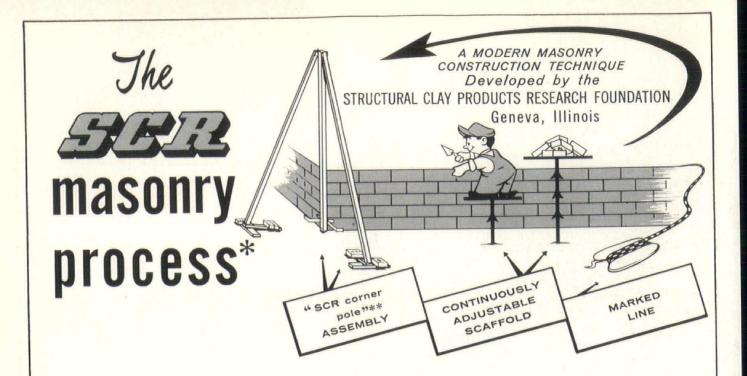




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