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The Barkley Dam Railroad Bridge, located near Grand River, Kentucky, is the first bridge in Kentucky to be supported by drilled caissons.

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McKinney Drilling Company, subcontractor for the drilling operation, reports they are using two LLDH 120' drilling machines on the job and that these machines are the largest foundation drilling machines available in the industry.

Construction for the bridge was started in May, 1963. Gust K. Newberg Construction Company, Chicago, Ill. is the general contractor for the project.

## Fallout Shelter Analysis Course

An independent study course in Fallout Shelter Analysis for qualified architects and engineers will be offered by the University of Wisconsin in cooperation with the Office of Civil Defense, Department of Defense, beginning in September.

The course will consist of forty lessons conducted through correspondence between the student and university. Summary and review lessons and examinations will be given and, upon satisfactory completion of the course, the student will be certified as a Fallout Shelter Analyst.

To defray the cost of registration, postage and course materials, which will be furnished by the



university, a fee of \$25 will be charged each person enrolled.

The course will include topics such as: Introduction to Nuclear Physics, Effects of Nuclear Weapons, Radiation Shielding Methodology, Master Field Problems, and Shelter Environmental Considerations.

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Architects and engineers who are interested in participating in the independent study course should request application forms from the Director of Training and Education, Office of Civil Defense, Region Two, Olney, Maryland.

Fallout Shelter Analysis courses will also be offered in a number of metropolitan areas including Louisville and Cincinnati, beginning in the Fall.

## West Chapter Meeting

The regular meeting of the West Kentucky Chapter of the A.I.A. was held July 26 at Gabe's Restaurant in Owensboro. The highlight of the meeting was a presentation of four outstanding building types and analysis of their design problems by their respective architects.

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## **RESOLUTION OF THE ENGINEER-ARCHITECT PROBLEM**

ROBERT B. GEORGE Hummel, George, & Kleine-Kracht, Inc. Consulting Engineers

An address given before the March 1963 meeting of Kentucky Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Before we can address ourselves to the solution of this problem we must define it. Just what is this Engineer-Architect problem? The chances are that if you asked ten engineers this question, you would get ten different answers. The same is true of architects. Their answers would depend on the nature of their past relations with each other.

Few, however, would deny the existence of some problem. It is rather self-evident that the problem area is basically in professional relations. The engineer and architect just don't seem to get along well professionally. This is manifested in many ways: by attempts of Registration Boards to define the limits of the two professions; heated by controversies over who should have charge of certain projects (is it basically an architectural or an engineering project?); and by lawsuits contesting a firm's rights or responsibilities with regard to professional practice. These are merely the outward signs, or effects, of the basic problem.

The real basis for the problem is the culmination of the historical development of the two professions. It is a matter of evolution. It did not suddenly present itself to us last month, last year, or ten years ago. But it has evolved over many years, and as a result of our changing technologies.

With all of man's knowledge, each generation takes what has been accomplished in the past and builds upon it. So it has been in the development of Architecture.

Our Architectural heritage has come down to us from the Greek and Roman civilizations, who were the first western cultures to utilize construction materials with some understanding of their capacities. This architecture established standards of artistic expression and technical achievement which remained relatively unchanged for centuries. The most significant single factor after the early Roman Architecture, so far as its influence on succeeding generations, was the emergance of the "master builder" of the Italian Renaissance. Best personified by Leonardo da Vinci and Michaelangleo, the "master builder" was truly accomplished as artist, architect, and engineer. Most important to us, these men had a profound effect on succeeding generations of architects.

With this beginning of Greek and Roman construction, and the impetus given by the succeeding periods, the Architect came upon the threshold of the twentieth century with this heritage of the "master builder". The technology of building had changed relatively little in these few centuries.

Meanwhile sociological changes were creating greater demands on the designers of bridges, roads

and public works. The designers of these facilities began using new engineering principles. It was about 1750 in England that John Smeaton first referred to himself as a "Civil Engineer". From that time, the distinction between Architect and Engineer was rapidly established in the Western world. So while the Architect concentrated on achieving new artistic effects in his building designs, the science of engineering was developing quite rapidly, and generally apart from the building construction field.

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The architect has had to adapt his buildings to these changing requirements. Considering the time span in which all this came about, the results have been rewarding. But, obviously, the architect could not do all this alone. He can conceive the basic ideas, or recognize the need, for a system within his building. But he doesn't have the technical background to design the system in detail. He

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must rely on engineering specialists for this.

So the architect and engineer have been drawn together in the building design process by necessity. The necessity to provide within the architect's building the engineered systems which will serve this variety of needs. But the nature of the two professions is not compatible.

The architect's education is based on this heritage of the "master builder". It is strongly influenced by the artistic expres-(Continued on page 13)





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## LAKE CUMBERLAND LODGE Lake Cumberland State Park, Jamestown, Kentucky

ARCHITECTS: McCulloch & Bickel, A.I.A. CONSULTING ENGINEERS: Kaestner-Lynch GENERAL CONTRACTOR: D. W. Mitchell



The Lake Cumberland Lodge is actually a complex of three separate buildings connected by covered walkways. It is located on a peninsula overlooking the huge lake in Cumberland National Forest.

The main lodge contains a lobby, lounge, offices, main dining room, private dining rooms and kitchen. One guest unit has 16 bedrooms while the other contains eight. Total cost for the lodge project was \$480,000.

Exterior walls are of stone and wood siding with wood windows. Reinforced concrete was used as the structural material with partial steel frame, precast concrete floor slabs and frame walls. The interior uses wood with drywall or wood panel.







## KENTUCKY DAM VILLAGE LODGE Gilbertsville, Kentucky

ARCHITECTS MECHANICAL ENGINEERS: Charles D. Wade GENERAL CONTRACTOR: Hartz-Kirkpatrick Construction C



Built on a gently sloping hill which affords an unlimited view, the design of the Kentucky Dam Village central lodge building made maximum use of the land by using a U-shape. With the central lodge as the base, arms of bedrooms extend on each side.

The lodge. appears only singlestory from the front, but extends down another story at the rear elevation. The upper level contains the entrance, office, lounge and recreational areas, while the dining area, kitchen and two terraces comprise the lower level. The terraces provide lounging off the dining room and swimming pool. The bedrooms follow the curve of terrain avoiding dull, linear arrangement, and giving individuality.







# ROUGH RIVER DAM LODGE

Falls of the Rough, Kentucky

& Judd, A.I.A.

MECHANICAL ENGINEERS: Kaestner-Lynch GENERAL CONTRACTOR: A. D. Roe Company





The site for Rough River Dam Lodge is located on a hillside overlooking Rough River, with an uninterrupted view. It was built at a single level, dropping to another level as viewed from the rear. Wood and stone were selected as the materials for maintenance freedom. Each bedroom features a private balcony or enclosed terrace.





## GENERAL BUTLER PARK LODGE

ARCHITECT: Braun & Ryan, A.I.A. CONSULTING ENGINEER: E. W. Neel GENERAL CONTRACTOR: Switzer & Willing





Situated on the top of the most prominent bluff in General Butler State Park, overlooking the lake, the new lodge building was designed to be a part of the bluff and to reflect the rustic image of the park atmosphere.

To carry out the theme rough sawn Western Red Cedar siding was used on the exterior and exposed wood beams, native stone and wood paneling were used on the interior.

Including the pool, the lodge was built at a square-foot cost of \$22.60. It features a dining room for 200, lounge and gift shop, and 25 bedrooms.





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sion of past architecture. So he feels the need to be creative and achieve artistic expression in his buildings.

The education of the engineer, however, stresses the purely technical. His schooling is founded on the physical sciences and mathematics. Regardless of his specialty, or major, in the broad field of engineering, he is taught to rely only on engineering principles and scientific deduction in reaching a decision.

There are many examples in modern architecture where the architect has been able to integrate an engineering solution into the esthetic qualities of his work. Frank Lloyd Wright is generally credited with being the modern counter part of the "master builder", revealing an intuitive feeling for the structural behavior of his buildings, and able to express it in an esthetically pleasing manner. But by and large, the

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architect must rely on the engineer to devise a compatible solution to his problems.

When the engineer is called upon to aid the architect, he approaches the problem with the aim of achieving the soundest and most economical engineering solution. This if fine, and necessary if the engineer is to do the best job. But all too often the engineer fails to consider the integration of his system with the other building functions, and the esthetic requirements of the Architect. If each of these engineering systems is designed separately, disregarding other aspects of the building, there is no magic by

which they all can be put together to work properly and look pleasing. Every element of the building is interdependent, so the finished building will reflect whether the many design decisions were carefully analyzed or came about as a conglomeration of parts.

When the Engineer is unwilling to make adaptations for the Architect whose approach may seem arbitrary, a conflict arises. Out of this clash of interests, or principles may evolve a lack of mutual respect for the other's work. This leads directly to these problems in professional relations.

That these conflicting principles (Continued on page 16)



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Reservations for the East Central Region and Indiana Society of Architects Convention must be made by the end of August. The convention will be held at the French Lick-Sheraton Hotel in French Lick. Indiana on October 18-20.

Individual invitations will be sent to all members of the East Central Region, as well as all lay guests recommended by each chapter, and all chapters in Illinois, Ohio and Michigan.

Following is a tentative schedule of activities which will take place during the three-day event:

Friday, 18th - 1-6 p.m. registration desk open, \$5 registration fee for each person attending convention; 1 p.m. product exhibits open; 1 p.m. East Central Regional Council meeting, Director James Clark presiding; 2:30-5 p.m. Indiana Society annual business meeting; 6:30 p.m. reception and cocktail party; 8 p.m. banquet with A.I.A. Director James Clark presiding, speaker Jim Lucas of Herman Miller, Inc., "A Commentary on Environment". Note: Women's Architectural league meeting will be scheduled at time desired by WAL.

Saturday, 19th - 8:30 a.m. registration desk opens; 9 a.m. product exhibits open; 9:15 a.m. nomination for director and secretary from East Central Region for three year term beginning June, 1964; 9:30-noon first session of design seminar "Aesthetic Responsibility"; 12:30 p.m. awards luncheon with awards being presented to person who has contributed most toward creating an atmosphere in which good design is possible; 2:30-5 p.m. second session of design seminar "Aesthetic Responsibility"; 6:30 cocktail party; 8 p.m. banquet honoring East Central Region fellows and wives, introduction of speaker -James A. Clark, speaker - A.I.A. president J. Roy Carroll.

Sunday, 20th - Informal breakfast, golf, hiking, skeet shooting, baths, conversation, etc. 2 p.m. buses leave for Indianapolis via Brown County.

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(Continued from page 13) do exist between Engineer and Architect is illustrated by a statement from an article by a New York Architect: "I have always wanted to find a coat of arms with a motto for an engineering society. It could perhaps be a lion and a unicom and the inscription might read.....'It Cannot Be Done'." <sup>(1)</sup> This was undoubtedly written with tongue-in-cheek, but it indicates a general tendency on the part of some architects to regard the engineer as too inflexible.

The only practical solution for this problem on the part of those in practice is to strive for greater understanding and cooperation. They must regard the process of building design as a group effort; as a matter requiring teamwork. The Architect must recognize the contribution of the engineer in this process, and create for him a place on the design team. Thus it would become the Architect's role to satisfy the functional and esthetic requirements of the building and coordinate the integration of the many technical aspects.

The engineer must cease being purely a technician in the design process. He must be an advisor, during early design phases, on the selection of the proper system. He must be sympathetic with the architect's aims, and be willing to adapt a good engineering solution to meet these aims. And he must know when to discourage a whim of the architect's from disrupting a good engineering solution. The two must approach problems with a spirit of cooperation and mutual respect.

We have dealt, so far, with the individuals in working our solution to this problem. But a great deal can be done to produce a better climate, a better general atmosphere, for the relations of engineer and architect. This can only be done thru cooperation of organized bodies of engineers and architects working together on matters of mutual interest. An excellent example of results which can be achieved through this type of cooperation was seen recently in Kentucky. The Kentucky Association of Consulting Engineers and the Kentucky chapters of the American Institute of Architects collaborated with the State's Engineering Staff in the preparation of a new Architect-Engineer contract covering their services on state building projects. The results were very encouraging, and in the best interest of both groups. This feeling of cooperation will undoubtedly make future relations between these two bodies, both on an individual and group basis, much easier.

We have discussed a means of alleviating the friction between architects and engineers now in practice. But a proper solution requires that we go back farther; back to the education of those who are responsible for building design. It appears to me that presentday architectural school must be doing a good job of training their students to accept the role-of the engineer in modern building design. Recent architectural graduates and students of my acquaintance, even though they receive a pretty thorough general engineering grounding, recognize the need for engineering consultants in the design process. They seem to feel that their major contribution (Continued on page 18)



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to architecture lies in other areas; planning of space relationships; esthetics; and coordination of the project.

There has been some concern expressed, however about the need for a proper educational program for engineers engaged in building design. It would seem to me that there is a need for instilling in the engineer who enters building design an awareness of the nature of the architect's problems. An attempt to alleviate this problem has been made in many universities which have Architectural Engineering curricula. This does not seem to be solving the problem satisfactorily, possibly due to the fact that their engineering courses are too generalized. An answer to this might lie in sub-courses within the Architectural Engineering curriculum for specializing in heating and air-conditioning, electrical and power systems, struc-



tures, etc. A thorough engineering education could be gotten in the proper department of the engineering school, while general architectural subjects could be attended in the architectural department. I feel that educators in universities should work toward helping their students recognize the close cooperation necessary between all designers in the building construction field.

This spirit of cooperation and proper educational background is imperative if our building designers are to keep pace with our accelerating technological development. With the pace which has been established thus far in the twentieth century, it is impossible to foretell what changes there will be in the next few decades.

There are already some proposals which sound rather drastic. Consider this statement from a recent publication: "In America we find ourselves technologically capable of building rockets which can go to the moon, but we design and manufacture these rockets in buildings which leak; buildings which cost too much; buildings which take too long to construct; and buildings which, for most part, are ugly." (2) These are pretty strong words, and they were spoken by an architect; a pretty progressive one to be sure. He proposes a totally new process of building, one oriented to computerized operation.

If we are to have people qualified to take advantage of the facilities at our command and those which lie in the future, their education must be more unified and advanced, and Engineers and Architects in practice must act now, along these lines, to resolve their differences.

- (1) "An Architect's Impression of the Design Professions" by Robert A. Jacobs Consulting Engineer May, 1961
- (2) "A Computer-Based Building Process: Its Potentials for Architecture" by John P. Eberhard Architectural & Engineering News December, 1962

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