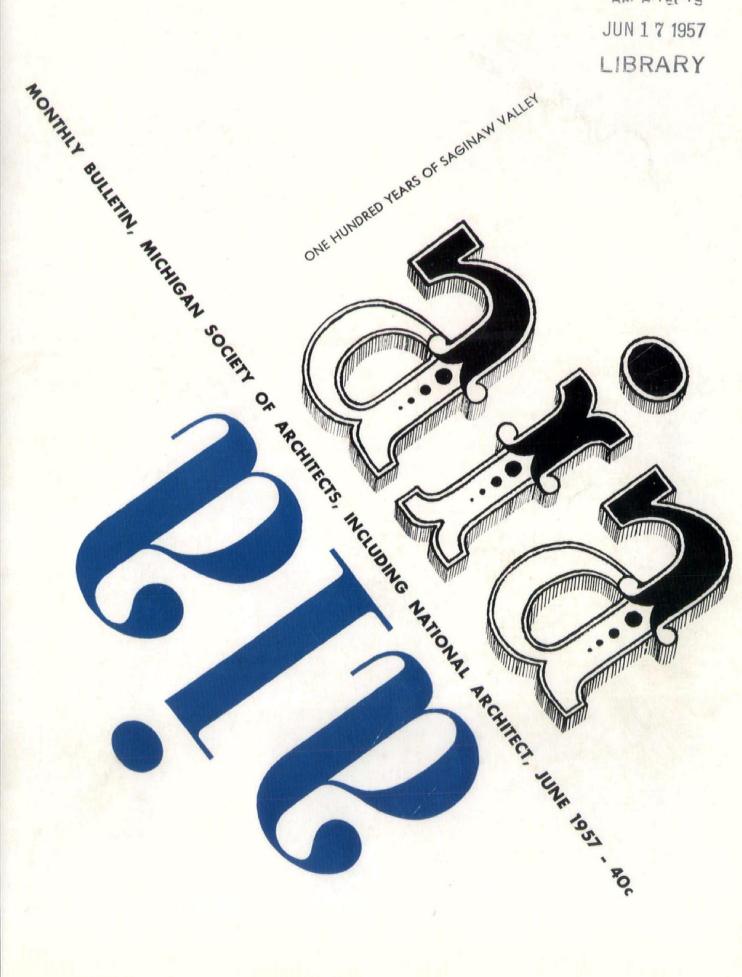
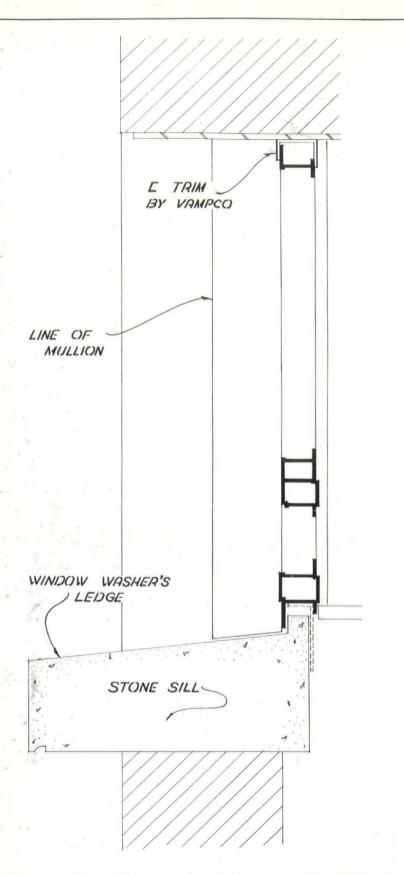
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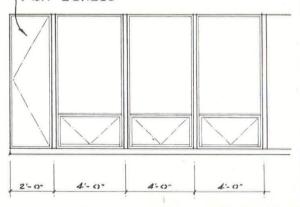


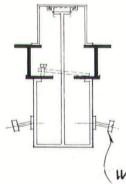




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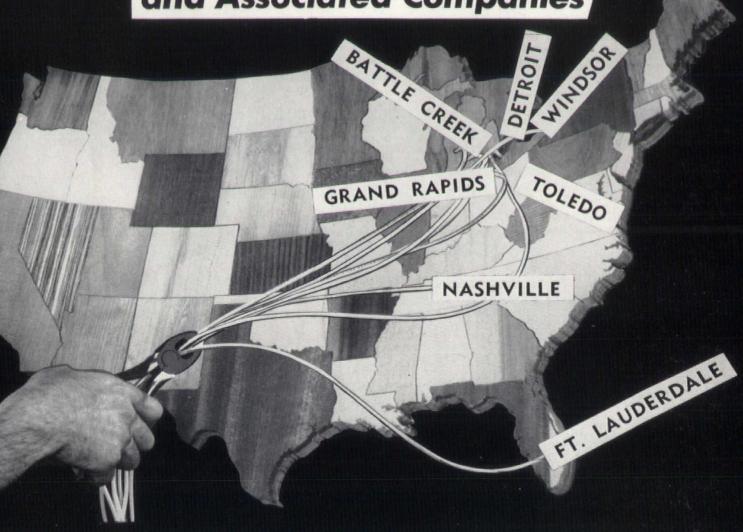
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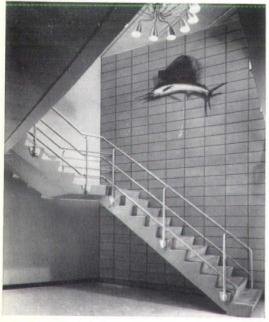
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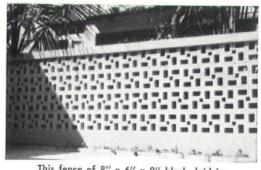
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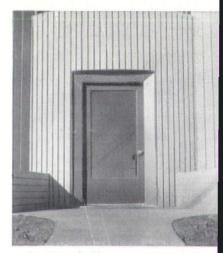
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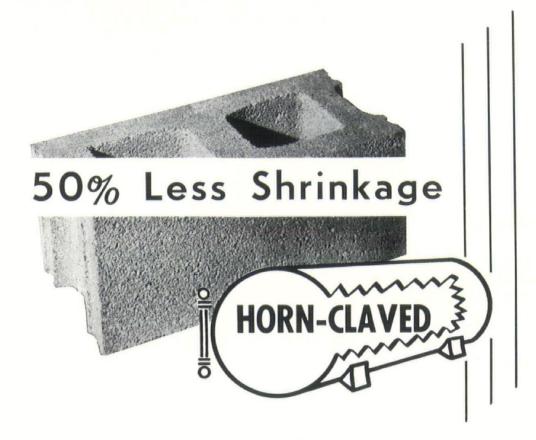
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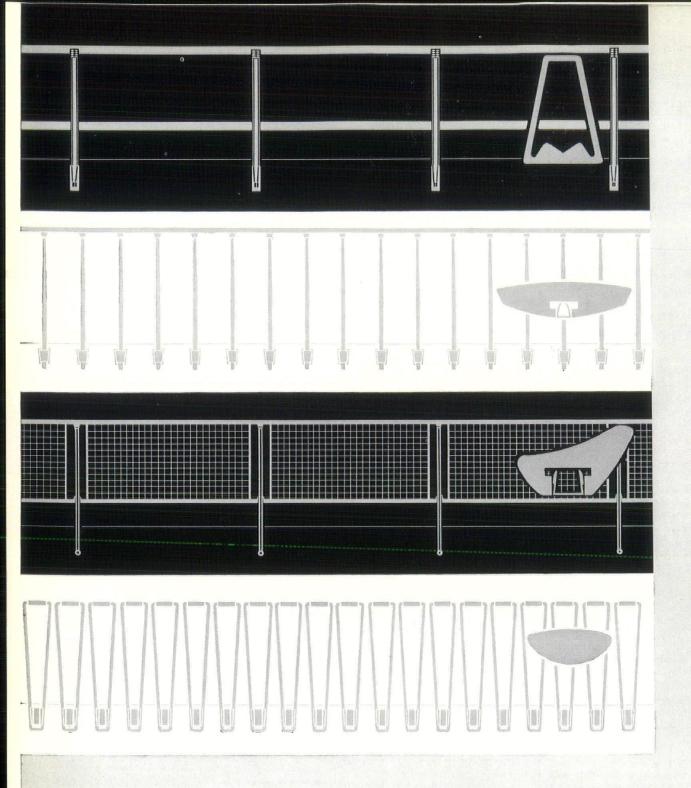
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# Bulletin Board

MISTAKES IN THE MONTHLY BUL-LETIN should be treated in a manner set down by a Canadian editor when, in a recent issue of his Napanee, Ont. **Beaver,** he stated:

"You may notice some typographical errors in this paper. They were put there intentionally. This paper tries to print something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes."

And if your mistakes are caused by absentmindedness, think nothing of it.

Just consider Don Hoak, of the Cincinnati Redlegs.

Don was on second base at Milwaukee recently, while a teammate, Gus Bell, was on first and Wally Post another redleg was the batter.

When Post hit a grounder between second and third, Hoak was off and running. He saw the baseball bouncing in front of him and, disdaining the fact that he was a baserunner instead of an infielder at the moment, forgetting that he wasn't even wearing a glove, Hoak neatly fielded the ball and tossed it to the rival shortstop, Johnny Logan.

Logan caught it but was so nonplussed at the unexpected assist from a rival player that he just stood there.

The umpires, also on the befuddled side, finally came to his assistance and called Hoak out, under the rule that a runner who comes in contact with a batted ball is automatically out.

The additional fact that Logan, the legitimate fielder, insisted that he was ready, willing and able to turn the grounder into a doubleplay, if Hoak hadn't got into the act, is certain to make the play a collectors' item and it has already brought about a revision of the rule book.

There have been other incidents of similar ilk, one of the zanier of which took place at Briggs Stadium a few years ago when Steve O'Neil was managing the Tigers. In a tense, tight game with the Washington Senators the Tigers had a runner on third base, straining at the leash to come home.

Photographers were crouched on the first base side of home plate about ten or twelve feet back with cameras focused to catch any action involving the scoring of a Tiger run. The rival pitcher suddenly uncorked a wild pitch, it hit the front of the plate, bounced sharply to the left. Tony Spina, ace photog of The Detroit Free Press, saw it coming. He reached out and caught the ball on the first hop, didn't know exactly what to do with it. Al Evans, the rival catcher saw Spina with the ball.

"Here," he hollered. Spina tossed him the ball and Evans tagged the Tiger who had dashed in from third.

When the umpire called the runner out, there was a rhubarb until all hands finally realized that the assist had come from an outside source. The run was allowed, finally, but when the umpires tried to find the helpful cameraman he had long gone. "Don't ask me what happened," he moaned later, "all I know is that I was so busy making that play that I forgot about shooting my picture."

AND SINCE THIS HAS TURNED INTO A SPORTS COLUMN: Back in 1907 Germany Schaefer, Tiger second baseman, was on first base, with teammate Davy Jones on third, in a tight game.

Manager Hughie Jennings flashed a signal for Schaefer to break for second, draw catcher Nig Clark's throw to that base, and then for Jones to streak for home from third.

Germany took off on the next pitch, but Clark let him go and bluffed Jones back to third. The Indians were too smart to fall for that play, and they started razzing Schaefer about it.

That did it. Now on second base, he suddenly took off back toward first. A startled Clar kalmost threw the ball into right field in a bewildered attempt to prevent the reverse-order sprint.

Schaefer slid back into first, got up and dusted himself off and called out, "Okay, Davey, we missed the first time. Now we will try it again."

By this time Clark was so mad that when Schaefer did break for second for the second time, he fired wide and Jones came in from third with the winning run."

And as Marylin Monroe said, "After being married for a year, I still don't know anything about baseball."

ARCHITECT ALBIN ROW, JR., OF LARNED, KANSAS, was drawing names out of a box for table prizes at his Kiwanis Club party.

The first name he drew was that of his wife. The second he pulled out was his father's.

Commented Row, "my business is drawing."

A BROKEN CHAIR could once be fixed with a length of wire. Today a chair is a length of wire.

INSTRUCTOR TO NEW GIRL: "I'm putting this rivet in the correct position. When I nod my head, hit it real hard with the hammer."

She did!

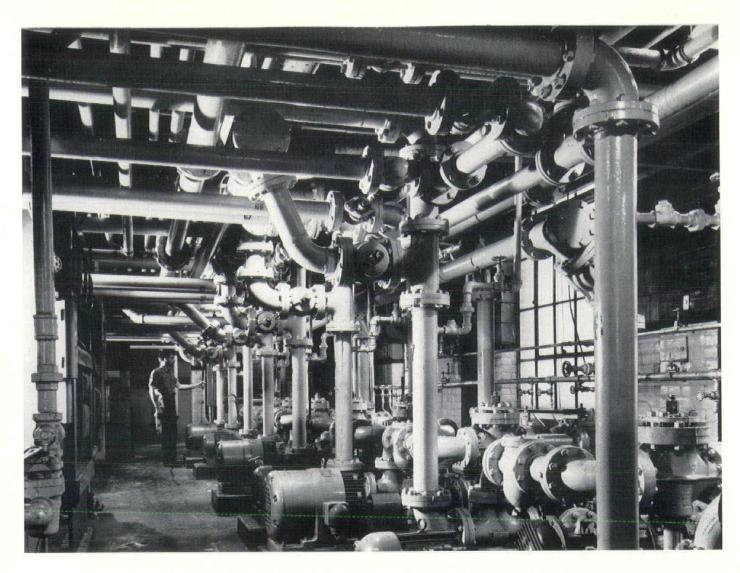
TOURIST TO TRAVELING COM-PANION: "That's a nice looking Cadillac up ahead."

Companion: "That's not a Cadillac, it's a Chevrolet."

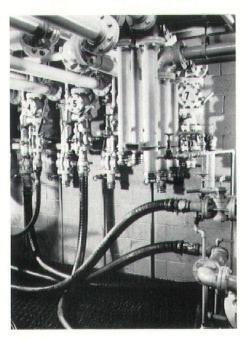
SIGN IN A NEW YORK APARTMENT HOUSE: "Please do not leave baby carriages or foreign cars in the lobby."

ARCHITECT TO DITTO: "I must be slipping, I don't like my buildings as well as I use to."

Ditto: "Nonsense, you are as good a designer as you ever were. Your taste is improving."



# These giant "straws" gulp oil 300 g.p.m.'s!



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# Architects In The News

California

EDWARD H. FICKETT, member of the Southern California Chapter, AIA, has been appointed to the AIA's Committee for the Home Building Industry by national president Leon Chatelain, Jr., and the Board of Directors. He will serve until 1958.

The committee's duties are to promote utilization of architectural services by merchant builders and to collaborate with associations in the home building field.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AND THE PRESTRESSED CONCRETE INSTITUTE, are holding a World Conference on Prestressed Concrete, on July 29 to August 2, at the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco.

For information write Dept. of Conferences and Special Activities, University of California, Berkeley 4, Calif.

# Massachusetts

THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING, at Massachusetts Institute of Technology announces its 19th annual special summer program in City and Regional Planning, from July 22nd through August 2nd. The seminars are open to professional planners, members and staff of planning commissions, architects and others in related fields. The seminars are under the general direction of Roland B. Greeley, Associate Professor of City and Regional Planning.

#### Minnesota

A. REINHOLD MELANDER, A.I.A., announces the formation of the firm of Melander, Fugelso and Associates, Architects and Engineers, with offices at 603 Alworth Building, Duluth, Minn. Firm Members are: A. Reinhold Melan-

der, Norman K. Fugelso, A.I.A., John D. Peck and Leon E. Simich, associates.

ALFRED J. NELSON, has been named to succeed Rudolph G. Zelzer as Minnesota State Architect. Mr. Nelson, previously Assistant State Architect, received his bachelor of architecture degree from North Dakota State College.

Minnesota Society of Architects, will hold its annual meeting and convention on June 27-28, at Hotel Duluth, Duluth, Minnesota.

# New Jersey

JOHN W. TOTH, A.I.A., has been appointed to the Trenton, New Jersey Planning Board, by Mayor Connolly.

The Mayor said that Mr. Toth's appointment "strengthens the planning board since he is the only architect among the board members."

Toth and Nelson W. Whitehead conduct the architectural firm of Whitehead and Toth. They have been instrumental in the Redevelopment Committee of the Trenton Society of Architects, formed to aid the city in its slum clearance programs.

### New York

EGGERS AND HIGGINS, New York architectural firm will serve as architects for the reconstruction of the St. Joseph's Cathedral in Hartford, Conn., which was completely destroyed by fire in December 1956. The George A. Fuller Co., also of New York, has been engaged as the builder.

# Oregon

NORTHWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE: is to be held at Gearhart, Oregon, October 17-20. The theme: "Expanding the Profession of Architecture." Some of the speakers for the conference are Henry Hill, Francis McCarthy, Jose Louis Sert, and Thomas Creighton. The Oregon Chapter, A.I.A., is also arranging a Northwest Products Exhibit in conjunction with the Conference.

# Germany

INTERBAU, the great International Building Exhibition, will be held in Berlin from July 6th through September 29th of this year.

An entirely new city district, the Hansa district, will arise for the INTERBAU in Berlin, constructed according to the plans of leading architects from all over the world. The buildings—in part completed and in part still under construction—will convey an interesting cross-section of modern architecture. One of the buildings, the Congress Hall of the Benjamin Franklin Foundation, is

a special contribution of the United States to the INTERBAU. Architect is Hugh Stubbins, AIA, from Cambridge, Mass.

### In Memoriam

J. WARREN ARMISTEAD, F.A.I.A., 57, in his home city of Atlanta, Ga., on April 8th.

HOWARD CHAPMAN, 82, at his home in Noroton, Conn., on April 8th.

WALTER C. ELLSWORTH, 61, in his home city of Philadelphia, Pa., on April 6th.

CLEMENT W. FAIRWEATHER, F.A.I.A., 74, at his home in Metuchen, N. J., on April 16th.

HERBERT E. REYNOLDS, 84, in Norwalk, Conn., on April 9th. Mr. Reynolds was α resident of Wilton, Conn.

HAROLD P. SATRE, A.I.A., 58, at his home in Sheboygan, Wis., on April 15th.

WILLIAM A. SKINNER, at his home in Springfield, Mass., on April 2nd.

BEN JOHN SMALL, A.I.A., 49, at his home in New Rochelle, N. Y., on April 14th.

J. FRAZER SMITH, F.A.I.A., 60, in Little Rock, Ark., on April 13th. Mr. Smith was a resident of Memphis, Tenn.

ERNEST H. YARDLEY, A.I.A., 76, in his home city of Philadelphia, Pa., on April 2nd.

# C. C. Yonge

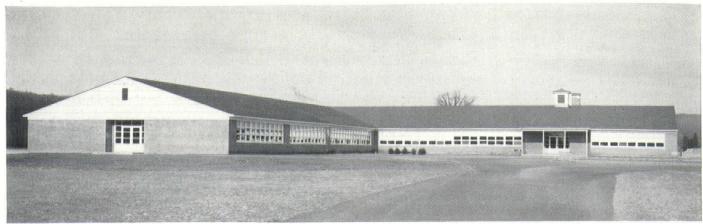
Chandler C. Yonge, A.I.A., 68, senior member of the architectural firm of Yonge, Look and Morrison, of Pensacola, Florida, died in Pensacola on May 2, 1957.

Born in Pensacola on November 20, 1888, he was educated at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Ala., where he received his bachelor of science in architecture, and he also was a graduate student at Columbia University in 1910-11. He had been an associate member of the Birmingham firm of Warren, Knight & Davis, Architects, and he previously practiced in Pensacola under the firm name of Yonge & Hart. His present firm was organized in 1951. Registered in Alabama, Florida and New York, his firms had designed many of Florida's most distinguished buildings, including the Florida Supreme Court building and many other public, semipublic and private buildings.

Both at Auburn and at Columbia, Chandler Yonge was a dearly beloved figure whom everyone respected as an unfailing and generous friend.

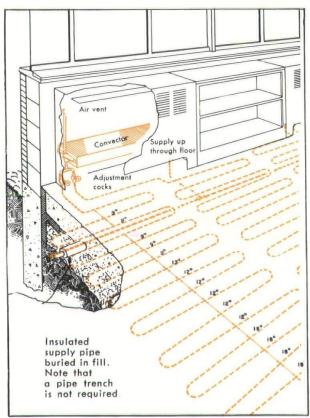
His heart was ever in architecture, and his many friends, both in the profession and out, recognize his valuable contributions to his art.

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Woodbury, Conn., High School—Architect: Edward M. Foote, Cornwall, Conn. Consulting Engineer: Richard Shipman Leigh, Woodbury, Conn. Heating Contractor: Romaniello Bros., Waterbury, Conn. General Contractor: F. Buzzi & Sons, Torrington, Conn.

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# NCARB 1957 CONVENTION



Neophytes are instructed in the Mysteries of the Organization-Ladies who attended the Banquet for the first time

National Council of Architectural Registration Boards gave its present administration a vote of confidence at its Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention in Washington, D. C., May 10-11, 1957, when all officers were reelected for 1957-58. The personnel of the Council's Executive Committee and Board of Review remain the same.

Eighty-six delegates were present, representing 42 states and the District of Columbia. Attending were six past presidents: William L. Perkins, Warren D. Miller, Clinton H. Cowgill, Roger C. Kirchoff, Charles E. Firestone and Fred L. Markham. We were glad to see the last-named made α Fellow at the Institute's Centennial Convention.

From the meetings it was evident that a prodigious amount of work has been done for the advancement of registration during the past year by the Council's officers and committees.

A new switch was examining the examiners, a device in which a dozen or so answers given by candidates taking five different subjects were submitted for grading by the delegates.

The Council is constantly striving to bring the various state examinations into some uniformity. A committee on examination questions is working on a project to obtain typical questions from various state boards, to select the ones they consider best and to furnish them to all state boards. In that connection, Frank Orr brought a little levity into the meeting by relating a story about one board member who said he just gave the same questions every year. Asked if that didn't cause complications, he replied, "Oh, no, it's very simple. I just change the answers from year to year.'



Having Fun, was a part of the Ritual

Not the least enjoyable of the Convention was the part played by the National Society of Architectural Examiners, of which Charles E. Firestone, of Canton was President. At the NSAE luncheon Dr. Claude Edward Hawley, Deputy Director of the United States Information Service, spoke on "The Voice of America." Dr. Hawley gave an interesting insight into the work being done by his Agency, adding that the Russians have said, "We'll stop telling lies about you if you'll stop telling the truth about us." Dr. Hawley told a good story about the conversation of two friends. One said, "I hear your brother has just left Penn State and is now living at the Park Central." The reply was, "No, that's not quite the way it is. He just left State Pen and is now living in Central Park."

The NSAE Banquet was a gala affair, attended by practically all the delegates and their ladies. This event is something like the Gridiron dinner in Washington, at which a lot of good fun prevails. The pictures on this page will give you some idea.

L. D. Schmidt, A.I.A., of the Fairmont, W. Va. firm of L. D. Schmidt & Son, Architects, was elected President of the Society to succeed Firestone. Lucius R. White, of Baltimore, was elected Vice President, and William L. Perkins, Secretary-Treasurer.



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LOUIS SKIDMORE, F.A.I.A.

Ralph T. Walker, F.A.I.A. was signally honored at The American Institute of Architects Centennial Convention in Washington, D. C. May 13-18 when he was awarded the Institute's Centennial Medal of Honor.

Mr. Walker's citation read:

"The American Institute of Architects on reaching a milestone marking its first hundred years is moved to award its Centennial Medal of Honor to Ralph Walker, F.A.I.A., Architect, Philosopher, Humanitarian.

"In this year when the Institute feels entitled, through reaching an established maturity, to express unashamedly its affection for a favorite and gifted son, this token of its pride needs no further warrant.

"It is offered to one whose path through the years, in tireless devotion to the ideals of his profession has led always in the direction of greater service to his fellow artists and to a fuller life for that portion of mankind that his wide range of travel and thought could reach.

"The brilliance of his contribution to the Institute, in its presidency and in its ranks, will brighten a long span of the century that beckons."

Mr. Walker's acceptance speech was a gem of literature and logic.

Louis Skidmore, F.A.I.A., senior member of the firm of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Architects was the recipient of the Institute's 1957 Gold Medal of Honor. His citation read:

"The American Institute of Architects adds to the roll of illustrious architects who have received the award of its Gold Medal of Honor the name of Louis Skidmore, F.A.I.A.

"Architect in a new technology pioneering new paths in a profession depending hitherto largely upon individual service, you have built an organization with the name of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, in which you have united in singleness of purpose the manifold skills, imagination and judgment fitted to serve, with marked distinction, a wider and more diverse clientele than had been thought possible.

"In giving architectural service to the needs of an era of vast building activity, you and your collaborators have won for the profession a wider understanding and appreciation."

Mr. Skidmore's speech of acceptance was masterful.

Honorary memberships went to Paul G. Hoffman, David E. Finley, J. George Stewart and J. Winfield Rankin. Rankin has been Administrative Secretary at the A.I.A. Washington headquarters for the past ten years. Henry H. Saylor, F.A.I.A. editor emeritus of the Institute's Journal, was given an expression of gratitude for long and faithful service to his fellow architects. David D. Baer received the Edward C. Kemper Award; Mark Tobey, the Fine Arts Medal; Charles Eames, the Craftsmanship Medal, and Milton Horn a Citation of Honor. A Citation of Honor was awarded to the Foreign Buildings Operation of the U. S. Department of State. Honorary Fellowships were awarded to Pier Luigi Nervi, of Rome, Italy, and Chrisiano das Neves, of Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Forty-eight members were elevated to Fellowship in the Institute. Fourteen were from California.

Nor was the Institute's giving all one way. National Architectural organizations of 62 foreign countries were represented at the convention, many bearing gifts, plaques or scrolls.

The more than 4,000 delegates and guests filled Washington's two largest hotels and overflowed into many others. There were 666 delegates from 114 chapters and nine state societies.

At the College of Fellows luncheon, Roy F. Larson, of Philadelphia was elected Chancellor; Pietro Belluschi, Vice Chancellor; Louis Justemant, Secretary, and Charles F. Cellarius, Bursar.

All officers of the Institute were reelected. Much credit should go to Alex Robinson and his Committee, to Host Chapters, the Exhibitions Committee, the Symphony.

"Senior members" attending the convention: William Stanley Parker of Boston and Julian Clarence Levi of New York. Both joined the Institute in 1908. Mr. Parker was elected Secretary in 1916 and he was reelected six successive times.

Next Convention: Cleveland, Ohio, at the Hotel Carter, June 30-July 3, 1958.



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# Centennial Stamp

Linn's Weekly Stamp News, of March 25, 1957, has the following to say:

Of recent stamps, the architects' has evoked about as much mail to this column as any. Not too many are complimentary.

One item which had a lot of panning is the color. Personally, I thought it a delightful change and refreshing. I should like to have seen it a bit "Harder" rather than in its pastel "softness." The soft pastels have a tendency to lack the sharpness of detail, even though such detail is present. Sharp details are a must with the small picture on the postage stamp.

Excerpts from two letters read—"The architecture commemorative does not look so much like a bird bath or hub cap, but it resembles an auto engine valve. Wish we could have some attractive stamps!"

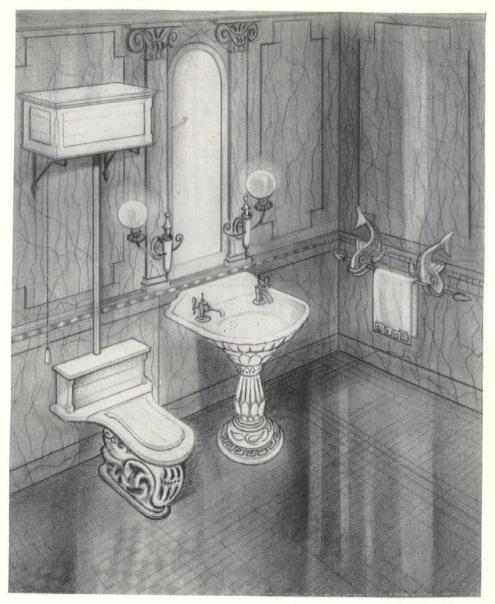
Another correspondent has extended his remarks a little—"As I sat here this evening audibly critical of the repulsive postal monstrosity (architects' stamp), the missus drove up behind me and asked, 'what is it?'

"'Well,' says I, 'the object in the background is the capital of a column.'
"'Yes,' says she, 'but what is that thing in front? a thumb tack?'

"'No,' I replied, "it looks more like a copper rivet with a big head."

"So now you've got to settle the argument for us. I suppose you'll recognize it as one of those well-known supports of futuristic design. Tsk, tsk. Being only a crude civil engineer, I wouldn't know."

Yes, friend, I do have the answer to what that object is. It's the latest style spring hat for the ladies. You will no doubt see many of them on Easter Sunday. And you're welcome.



American-Standard's exhibit at the A.I.A. Centennial Convention included a complete historical bathroom (above), relating the display to the theme of the Convention.



Oh, I quess I'd do the same thing too if I'd hit oil on my property."

For your enjoyment - Courtesy Pomens Tile.

# FROM WESTERN STAMP COLLECTOR:

"While the architecture commemorative is being kicked around, may I get in my two cents worth?

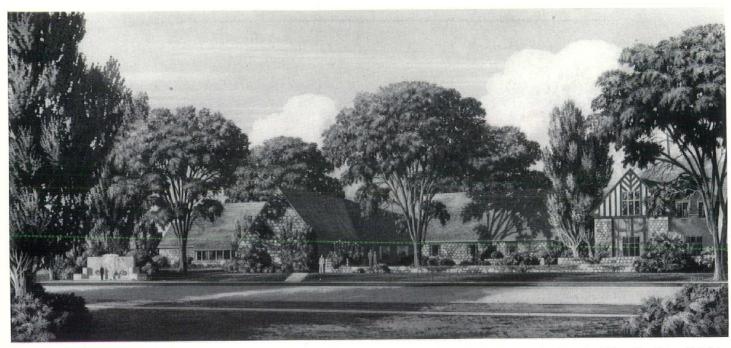
"I am informed by someone who ought to know that the object in the foreground is a tinner's stake, but from my personal experience I regard it as a good drawing of a tool-rest on a turning lathe. — FRED WILDE, Compton, Calif."

"The dominant element in the architects' stamp looks like a valve from a gasoline engine. — HARRY ENGLISH, Falls Church, Va."

"Usually I don't complain much about stamp designs, but this architecture commemorative is one of the worst monstrosities I have ever seen.

"What does it look like? Nothing but a bird-bath or an automobile hub cap.— CECIL F. BLOGG, Tacoma, Washington."

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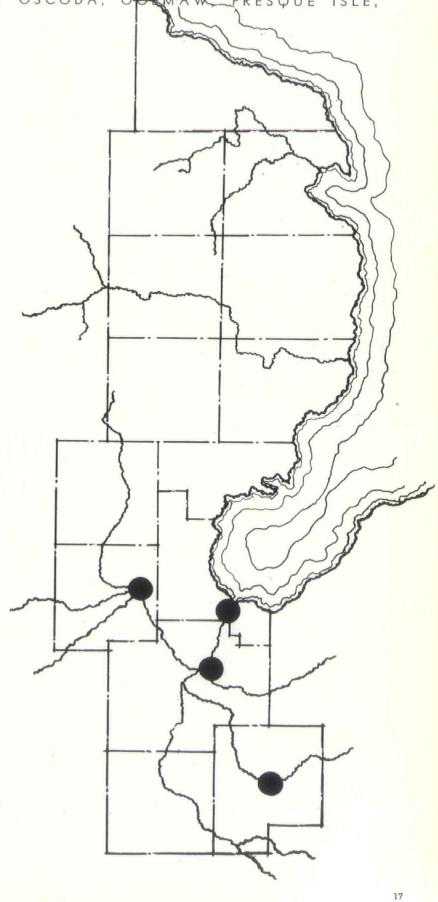
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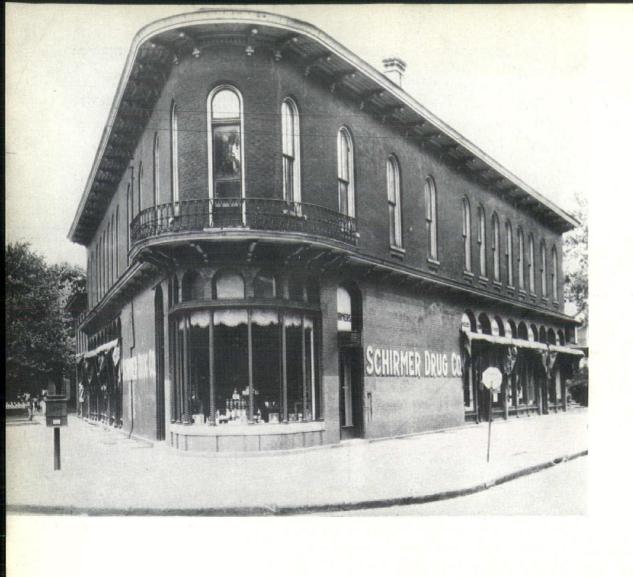
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#### THE SCHIRMER WHOLESALE DRUG CO. BUILDING

Saginaw, Michigan Circa 1870

Left:

#### THE MASON BUILDING

Saginaw, Michigan Circa 1875

Above:

#### THE PASSOLT RESIDENCE

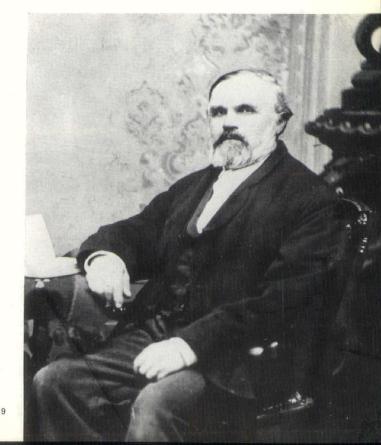
Saginaw, Michigan Circa 1875

Right:

#### LUDWIG ERNST VOLUSIN BUDE

Saginaw, Michigan
Saginaw Valley's First Architect
Whose practice extended from 1857 to 1895
Designed the buildings shown on these two pages

Photos courtesy Saginaw News









Above:

JOHN O'MARA RESIDENCE, Saginaw, Michigan—Circa 1910

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SONORA PHONOGRAPH SALES CO. BUILDING, Saginaw, Michigan—Circa 1920

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WEICHMAN'S DEPARTMENT STORE, Saginaw, Michigan—Circa 1929

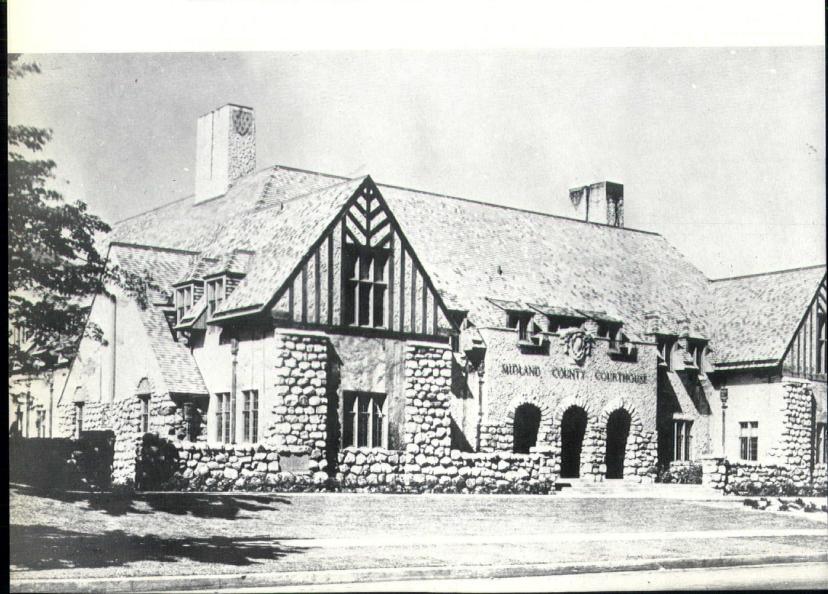
All buildings shown on these two pages were designed by FREDERICK BECKBISSINGER, Architect, Saginaw, Michigan

It is interesting to note that the span of practice in Saginaw of LUDWIG ERNST VOLUSIN BUDE - 1857 to 1895, and FREDERICK BECKBISSINGER - 1893 to the present time, matches the one hundred year life of the American Institute of Architects



Above: MIDLAND COUNTY COURT HOUSE, Midland, Michigan—Circa 1856

Below: MIDLAND COUNTY COURT HOUSE, Midland, Michigan—Circa 1926



# MIDLAND COUNTY COURT HOUSES

# MIDLAND, MICHIGAN

The old frame building known as the Midland County Court House, was razed in April 1926, according to a brief history of the county printed by the Midland Sun in 1897, was built in the year 1856 by one Timothy Jerome at a cost of \$6000.00. During that year Henry C. Ashman, a lawyer of considerable ability, induced the legislature to grant the power of locating the court house to the supervisor and the prosecuting attorney of the county. Mr. Ashman was the supervisor as well as the attorney so he was given full power to locate the grounds on which to build. He located the site where the old frame building stood.

In 1924, an architect noted for original ideas in plans and types of buildings, Bloodgood Tuttle, of Detroit and Cleveland, was approved by the supervisors to design a new court house. The type of building decided upon was original for a public puilding, and is believed to be the first of its kind in the United States; it is a modified Tudor style constructed of field stone and stucco, and, so far as is known, is the

only court house known to be built entirely out of materials gathered in the county erecting it.

On the exterior of the building field stone was used up to the first story windows except on each corner of the building, where they were used as high as the eaves. In the front, timbers and stucco was used for the upper portion of the building, on the sides a two-toned stucco was used with inlaid designs of pine trees in natural colors. Two panels in front and two larger panels in the rear were made into pictures, telling the history of the county. Indians, traders and lumbermen in life size are shown. These pictures were made by an artist of note, Paul Honore, of Detroit, who for several months experimented before starting the real work of making the pictures on the court house. The pictures are made of magnesite stucco, a brine product, colored with pigment and mixed with ground glass. This cement was applied from one-eighth to one-quarter inch in thickness with small trowels.

The contract for the building of the

court house was awarded to Spence Brothers of Saginaw on October 29th, 1924.

Presently, an addition to the Midland County Court House is being made. It will house the County School Offices, the County Health Department, Visiting Nurses, the County Jail, and Sheriffs Apartment and Kitchen. The Midland Board of Supervisors selected as their Architect, Alden B. Dow of Midland for this project.

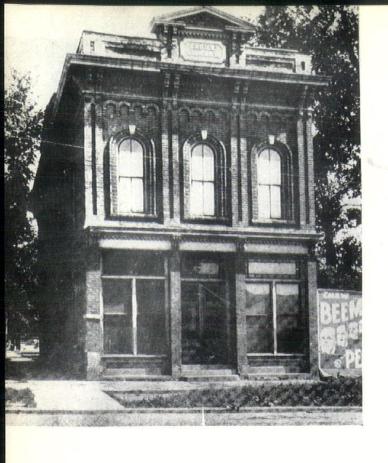
The addition maintains the character of the existing building with the stone facing and steep tile roof lines. The jail section in the rear of the building is constructed of reinforced concrete with stucco exterior facing.

For this project, the people of Midland County have been asked to contribute field stone for the outside facing of the building. Already a substantial pile of stone has been collected and placed at the front of the existing building by interested citizens.

The total cost of the present addition is \$661,500. It should be completed sometime early next year.

Below: MIDLAND COUNTY COURT HOUSE, Midland, Michigan, new addition-1957





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THE LADIES LIBRARY, Flint, Michigan Flint's First Public Library Circa 1868 RUBEN VAN TIFFLIN, Architect & Builder

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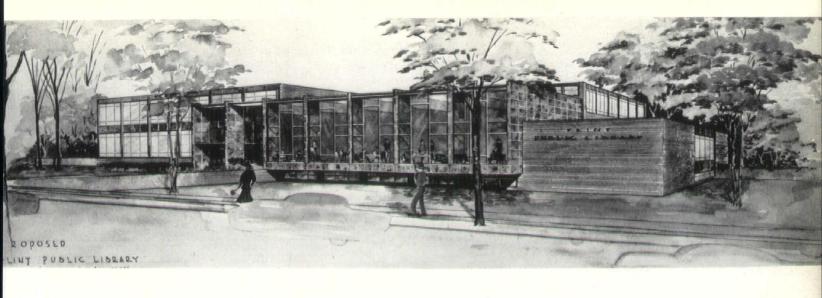
Flint, Michigan Circa 1905 CLARK & MUNGER, Architects Bay City, Michigan

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HOYT LIBRARY, Saginaw, Michigan

A gift to the City of Saginaw by Jesse Hoyt in 1889. The selection of Van Brunt and Howe of Boston, Massachusetts, as the architects was based on a nation-wide competition drawn up by the Saginaw architect W. W. Johnson. It is interesting to note that although it is built in the style which he popularized, the entry of H. H. Richardson in the competition did not win him the commission





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Opposite page, above: STONE OPERA HOUSE, Flint, Michigan—Circa 1883 MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM, Architect Flint, Michigan

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MICHIGAN THEATER, Flint, Michigan—Circa 1925 GEORGE J. BACHMANN, Architect Flint, Michigan

Above:

INTERIOR OF NORTHEAST INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL, Midland, Michigan Built in 1950 ALDEN B. DOW, F.A.I.A., Architect, Midland, Michigan



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FLINT HIGH SCHOOL, Flint, Michigan—Circa 1875. Cost \$77,377.62 PORTER & WATKINS, Architects, Detroit, Michigan

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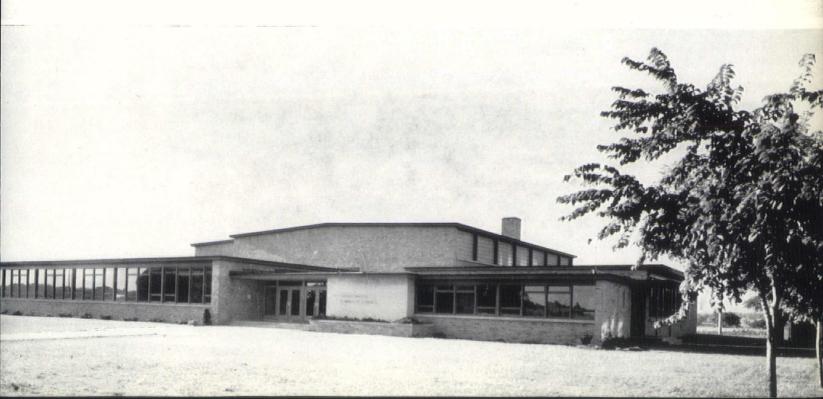
FLINT CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL, Flint, Michigan—Circa 1923 MALCOMSON & HIGGINBOTHAM, Architects, Detroit, Michigan

Opposite page, below:

FRANKENMUTH TOWNSHIP SCHOOL #19, Frankenmuth, Michigan Built in 1952

FREDERICK E. WIGEN & ASSOCIATES, Architects, Saginaw, Michigan







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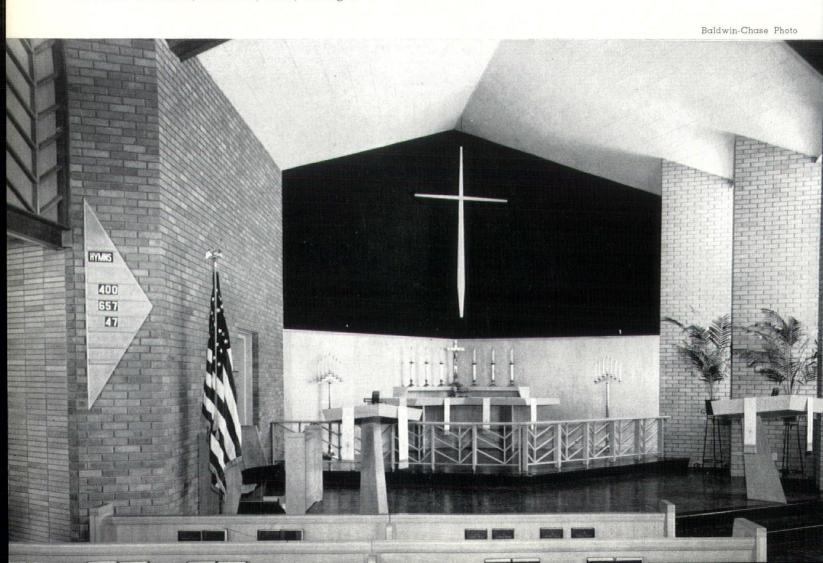
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FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Saginaw, Michigan Circa 1867 GORDON W. LLOYD, Architect Detroit, Michigan

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REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH, Flint, Michigan—Built 1956 T. NEEL EUBANK, Architect, Flint, Michigan



Right:

SAGINAW COUNTY COURT HOUSE, Saginaw, Michigan

Circa 1884

F. W. HOLLISTER, Architect

Saginaw, Michigan

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BEARINGER FIREPROOF BUILDING

Saginaw, Michigan Circa 1893

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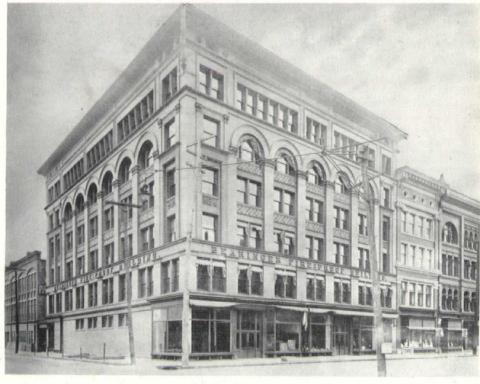
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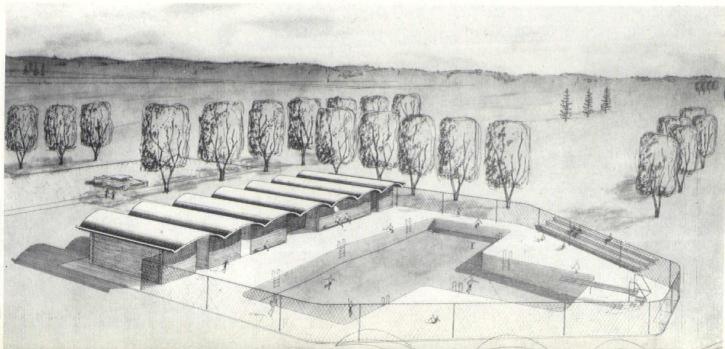
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PROPOSED DAVISON AREA SWIMMING POOL

Davison, Michigan CLIFFORD E. GIBBS, Architect Grand Blanc, Michigan



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ON THE ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS, WE HAVE PRESENTED A SUMMARY OF ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF ARCHITECTURE IN THE SAGINAW VALLEY, FROM THE EARLY WORKS OF LUDWIG BUDE TO THAT OF THE ARCHITECTS PRACTICING IN THE VALLEY TODAY.

WE EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO MR. FREDERICK BECKBISSINGER OF SAGINAW, THE SAGINAW NEWS, MIDLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY, THE FLINT JOURNAL, AND CROOKS STUDIO OF FLINT, FOR THEIR HELP IN OBTAINING INFORMATION AND PICTURES FOR THIS ISSUE.

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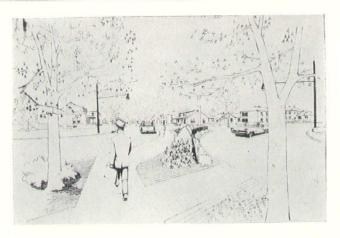
# Detroit Chapter Meeting Report

Maurice F. Parkins, Principal Planner for the Detroit City Plan Commission, was the speaker at a meeting of the Detroit Chapter, American Institute of Architects in the Rackham Memorial Building Friday evening, May 24, 1957. His subject was "Neighborhood Conservation in Detroit."

This being the Chapter's annual joint meeting with members of its three student chapters, Chapter President Gerald G. Diehl conducted a brief meeting at which the student awards were made. Before doing so he reported briefly on the Chapter Board meeting of the afternoon. He also reported on the A.I.A. Centennial Convention in Washington, D. C. of May 13-18, and he touched upon the Chapter's Centennial Celebration meetings this fall.

President Diehl called upon Dean Wells I. Bennett, F.A.I.A., of the College of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan, who presented the A.I.A. Medal for scholarship at the College to student Victor Shrem, and the Alpha Rho Chi Medal to the senior student named for leadership to Ronald Rogers.

Prof. L. Robert Blakeslee, Head of the Architectural Department at the University of Detroit, called upon Prof. Joseph Varga, Faculty Moderator, who presented two gold keys to those most active in student affairs—John Mock and Nick Cupelli.



Typical Street Diverter, to be used in Detroit's Urban Renewal Program

Earl W. Pellerin, Dean of the School of Architecture at Lawrence Institute of Technology, presented an inscribed watch to his student most dedicated to the study of architecture—Joseph Zaccagani, and two copies of the book, "Space, Time and Architecture" by Sigfried Gideaon to Doris Nordstrom and Charles Roberts.

Suren Pilafian, Chairman of the Chapter's Committee on Education, explained that the Chapter's student awards to the three student chapters, formerly \$75 and now \$100 to each chapter, was for the first time being awarded to the student chapters on a basis of their requests as to what they would like to do with the money. Lawrence Institute of Technology had requested that they be permitted to use the funds for color prints and slides; University of Michigan, to finance field trips, and the University of Detroit, for reproductions of student work to be sent to the National Architectural Students Association Exhibition.

Harold Binder, Chairman of the subcommittee on student sketch design awards, presented \$50 checks to Grant

Hildebrand of the University of Michigan and David Leach of Lawrence Institute of Technology. The University of Detroit, he said, could not fit the competition in with their school problems the past semester and would do so this fall.

President Diehl explained that the awards were being made through the Michigan Architectural Foundation, a newly formed non-profit corporation for the purpose of receiving and disbursing gifts and bequests for educational promotion.

In introducing the speaker, Mr. Parkins, the President said that he had been active on Chapter committees, particularly for the symphony concert and on allied arts.

Mr. Parkins gave a most comprehensive and interesting report on the City Plan Commission's program of rehabilitation, illustrating his lecture with color slides of the pilot area which is soon to be developed.

We hope to publish his talk in  $\alpha$  future issue.

# Saginaw Valley

Saginaw Valley Chapter, A.I.A. members met at Schaich's restaurant in Flint on the evening of May 7 and following dinner heard Mr. Edward D. Gray, Executive Director of the Great Lakes Lift Slab Corporation, of Chicago, speak on the techniques and engineering of that type of construction.

Before the speaker was heard, a business meeting was called to order by President A. Charles Jones. Vincent T. Boyle, Treasurer, reported the Chapter's finances in good condition and, on recommendations of Willard Fraser,

payment of a portion of the cost of publishing the Specification Outline issued by the joint AGC-AIA Committee was approved.

After Vice-President Harvey C. Allison informed the members of the election of Alden B. Dow to Fellowship in the Institute, it was decided that the Chapter would officially recognize the honor at its June meeting.

Lift slab construction, Mr. Gray explained, permits the casting of reinforced concrete floor slabs at ground level in layer-cake fashion. The slabs are then hoisted up steel columns by hydraulic lifts and anchored securely in place. A central electronic panel provides synchronized control of the lifting jacks, automatically keeping the rate of lift uniform and the slab level.

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above ground level, lift slab construction allows far greater speed in placing concrete, Mr. Gray stated. He noted that Manson-Carver Associates, Architects, of Lansing, used this method in constructing the new nurses building at Ingham County Hospital and that slabs weighing approximately 315 tons were successfully raised.

Mr. Gray presented a color movie showing how this method was used in building the Hallmark Greeting Card office building in Kansas City and he introduced Mr. Robert Campbell, consulting engineer of that City, who explained some of the technical problems. Mr. Irwin Simms, of Mandabach, Marthens & Simms, Inc., of Chicago, was also introduced. The firm is advertising, merchandising and sales promotion representative for Great Lakes Lift Slab Corporation.



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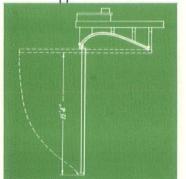
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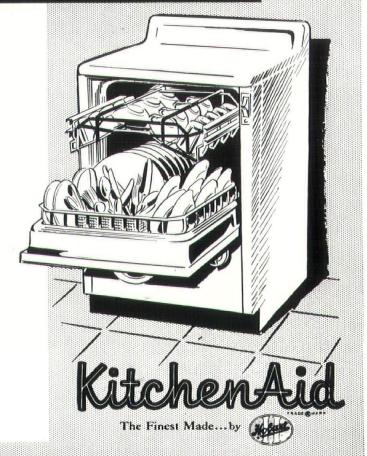
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# MSA MICHIGAN ITEMS

Michigan Society of Architects Board of Directors met at Detroit's Harmonie Club on the afternoon and evening of Tuesday, May 21, through the courtesy of Society director Frederick J. Schoettley, a Club member.

The Board heard reports from the national A.I.A. convention held in Washington, D. C. recently, from its delegate, James B. Morison, Society President, and others who were in attendance.

It was decided to purchase a number of the Institute's Centennial medals for presentation to various officials in the State who have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession of architecture.

Heard also were reports from Charles H. MacMahon, Jr., chairman of the Society's Committee on Publicity, from the three chapter representatives, the various officers and committee chairmen.

Paul B. Brown, A.I.A., of the firm of Harley, Ellington & Day, Inc., Architects and Engineers, gave a final report as Chairman of the Society's 43rd Annual Convention held at Detroit's Hotel Statler, March 13-15, 1957. The Board was impressed by the report, and agreed that the Convention was the most successful ever held, from every standpoint.

Paul's report contained a number of recommendations for still further improvements that will be valuable to next year's committee, of which William P. Lindhout, A.I.A., is Chairman.

C. A. OBryon, of Grand Rapids, Second Vice President, gave a report for his Committee on Education and Research, which includes sub-committees on School Buildings, Housing Code, Electrical Code, Conference on Housing for the Aged, and Cooperation with the Concrete Products Association.

Adrian N. Langius, F.A.I.A., of Lansing, reported for the Administrative Committee, and as President of Monthly Bulletin, Inc. He stated that the October issue of the Bulletin will be a Public Officials Issue, mailed to more than 1,000 city, county and state officials, school boards and the like in addition

to the regular circulation. Subject matter of this issue will be photographs of Michigan architects' work selected from the Centennial Exhibition to be held in Detroit's Henry and Edsel Ford Auditorium, beginning October 9, reprints of which will be distributed at the Exhibition. Other material in the special issue will be a reprint of the booklet, "Organizing to Build," including a Schedule of Recommended Minimum Fees, and Standards of Professional Practice. There will also be a Roster of Michigan architects' officers. As the issue will be addressed to the architects' potential clients and will answer the questions as to what an architect is, what he does, how to engage one and as far as possible, all other similar questions that one generally wants to know about an architect, it is believed that this will be the most valuable issue the Bulletin has ever published.

Peter Vander Laan, A.I.A., of Kalamazoo, Chairman of the Society's Committee on Public and Professional Relations, and Chairman of the MSA 1957 Midsummer Conference to be held at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island, August 8-10, 1957, stated that Mr. Edwin B. Morris, Sr., A.I.A., of Washington, D. C., Vice President of The Tile Manufacturers' Association, Inc., will be the principal speaker at the banquet of the Conference, and he added that a feature of the event will be a competition for architects' own homes. It is planned to have a jury of architects' wives, with Mrs. John N. Richards of Toledo as Chairman.

Pete Vander Laan also reported that the booklet, "Organizing to Build" is being revised by his Committee, and that the Public Relations counsel of the A.I.A., in Washington, D. C. has been asked to provide professional criticism.

No meeting of the Society Board will be held in June. Next meeting will be at Botsford Inn in Farmington, July 10, 1957.



PROF. GEORGE M. McCONKEY, A.I.A., now of 1 King St., Eustis, Fla., has been made an emeritus member of The American Institute of Architects, its Detroit Chapter and the Michigan Society of Architects.

On his recent retirement as professor of architecture at the University of Michigan College of Architecture and Design, Prof. McConkey was honored at a testimonial dinner sponsored by Alpha Rho Chi, honorary architectural fraternity, at which more than 300 attended. Presented at the meeting was a tribute to Prof. McConkey, written by Professor Emeritus, Emil Lorch, F.A.I.A., which read in part:

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#### Centennial Concert

A special invitation has been sent Detroit Chapter members to attend the Centennial Concert to be held in the Henry and Edsel Ford Auditorium on Monday evening, October 28, 1957. This concert is the final event in our celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of The American Institute of Architects.

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In addition to being an enjoyable musical event, a full attendance would signify a unified effort of the architects to act as sponsors for a culutral project. Some tickets are still available for the Patrons' section at \$5.00 (limited to 500);

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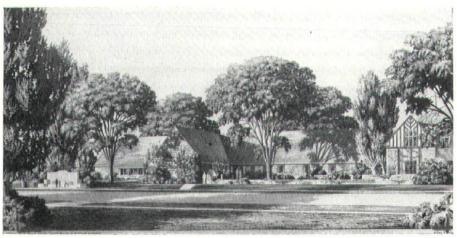
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FREDERICK MANSON, 13, (right) son of Elmer J. Manson, A.I.A., past president of the Michigan Society of Architects, and Mrs. Manson, of 2005 Cumberland Road, Lansing, was recently awarded the first prize of \$100 for his architectural model, in a statewide competition for schoolboy craftsmen, sponsored by the Michigan Association of Home Builders.

Young Manson's entry of the model for a one-story, two-bedroom house of contemporary design, features a sheltered patio with a glass skylight.

He had previously won first prize in the competition of the Lansing Home Builders Association, and last year he won third prize in both the Lansing and the state contests.

The model, from his own original design, was planned and landscaped for maximum outdoor living and was complete with furniture which he designed and constructed.

#### **Future Meetings**

MSA BOARD, 1957

June - No Meeting

Wednesday, July 10 — Botsford Inn, Farmington

Friday, August 9 — Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island

Monday, Sept. 23 — With Western Michigan Chapter, Kalamazoo

Wednesday, Oct. 16 — With Detroit Chapter

Tuesday, Nov. 12 — With Saginaw Valley Chapter

Thursday, Dec. 12 - Detroit

WESTERN MICHIGAN CHAPTER DINNER MEETING, 1957

Friday, June 21-23 — Outing, Traverse City

July and August — No Meetings Monday, Sept. 23 — With MSA Board, Kalamazoo

Monday, Oct. 21 — Election, Honor Awards, Battle Creek

Monday, Nov. 25 — Ladies' Night, Lansing

Monday, Dec. 18 — Grand Rapids

DETROIT CHAPTER

No meetings in June, July, August

FERDINAND A. LOEBACH, A.I.A. has transferred his membership in The American Institute of Architects from the Western Michigan Chapter to the Chicago Chapter.

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THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DETROIT CHAPTER, AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS has named a Committee to serve on the newly formed Detroit Public Schools Advisory Council.

The Board chose Chapter President Gerald G. Diehl as Chairman of its Committee, which has been organized to seek cooperation among educators, planners and the taxpayers in building better schools for Detroit.

Linn Smith, of the firm of Smith, Tarapata & MacMahon, was named Vice-Chairman of the group.

Other members of the Committee, all with considerable experience in the design and supervision of school buildings, are Chapter Vice-President, Lyall H. Askew, of the Ralph R. Calder office; Architects Charles D. Hannan, Earl G. Meyer, and Suren Pilafian; Verne H. Sidnam, Associate of Diehl & Diehl; Eberle M. Smith, of Eberle M. Smith Associates, Inc., and Thomas H. Hewlett, of O'Dell, Hewlett & Luckenbach Associates.

The Committee is to work with Dr. Samuel M. Brownell, School Superintendent, and members of his staff.

As formulated at present, the Committee will have two functions. The first, which aims at solving immediate problems, will be to offer advice as to possible economies in the use of alternate materials or methods of construction for school buildings now on the drafting boards.

The second, and the most important service the Committe believes it can render, is consultation on school buildings to be planned and constructed in the future. By such group action, it is hoped that new approaches to the whole school building problem will be developed.

"The Committee will in no way replace the individual architects that the Board of Education now engages, but will encourage the full use of private practitioners and professional abilities," Diehl said.

THIRTY-SEVEN SWISS ARCHITECTS, members of the Swiss Society of Engineers and Architects, visited Detroit on May 8 and 9.

Among them were two ladies who practice with their husbands. The group had spent four days in New York, at-

tending the Home Building Exposition at that city's Colosseum.

From Willow Run Airport, the group was taken to the General Motors Technical Center, Northland Shopping Center, Ford Administration building, Ford Rotunda and some residential areas in and around Detroit. They were also shown Detroit's new Civic Center, where they were particularly interested in the Henry and Edsel Ford Auditorium, designed by Crane, Kiehler & Kellogg in collaboration with O'Dell, Hewlett and Luckenbach; Veterans Memorial and City-County building, by Harley, Ellington & Day, Inc., and the Convention Hall and Exhibits building by Giffels & Vallet, Inc., L. Rossetti, Associated Engineers and Architects.

Of interest to the visitors were brochures of the G. M. Tech Center, Northland, and the Visitors' Guide to Detroit Architecture published by the Detroit Chapter, A.I.A.

On their return to the airport, the architects were shown the Lincoln Elementary School in Livonia, designed by Yamasaki, Leinweber & Associates, Architects.

From Detroit, the visitors' itenerary includes Chicago, Pittsburgh, Boston and back to New York to return via T.W.A. to Switzerland.

Guides for the Swiss architects during their Detroit visit included K. E. Nealon, of T.W.A., Steve Oppenheim, of Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates, Inc.; and A. Tannenbaum, of Giffels & Vallet, Inc., L. Rossetti, Associated Engineers and Architects. Swiss-born Tannenbaum helped out in the visitors' native language, while Oppenheim interpreted in French and English.

# MSA Sustaining Members

Following is a list of those architectural firms that have subscribed to the Society's Sustaining Membership since publication of such a list in the March, 1957 Monthly Bulletin:

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MR. GUMPEI MATSUDA OF TOKYO, JAPAN, President of the Japanese Architects Association, visited Detroit, after attending the A.I.A. Centennial Convention in Washington, D. C. at the invitation of President Leon Chatelain.

Many Detroit Architects assisted him in his architectural tour of Detroit, some of whom included Chapter President, Gerald G. Diehl; Louis G. Redstone; Minoru Yamasaki; Bernie Miller of Smith, Hinchman & Grylls; Robert Snyder of Cranbrook and Joseph Lacey of Saarinen Associates.

Mr. Matsuda visited the City Planning Office and was favorably impressed with both the work completed in the Civic Center and the proposed programs for Detroit's Development.

In visiting Detroit, he renewed acquaintances with Mr. Charles Blessing, Director of the City Planning, whom he had met in Japan several years ago and with Mr. Louis G. Redstone, whom he met when Mr. Redstone visited Japan in 1956.

ROBERT F. HASTINGS, A.I.A., vice president of Smith, Hinchman and Grylls Associates, Inc., Architects and Engineers, of Detroit, is in Korea to inspect the progress of a two-year engineering management contract by his firm.

Six American companies have joined to aid the Republic of Korea in the reconstruction and stabilization of its economy. The \$3.5 million program was initiated by the International Cooperation Administration.

Smith, Hinchman and Grylls is administrator and co-ordinator of the work. Six members of the firm have been in Korea nearly two months, along with representatives of the other participating architects.

They are making studies in such fields as general industry, public works, electric power, transportation, mining, communications, management and training programs.

Hastings will be in Korea three or four weeks, first spending a few days on the West Coast to look over architectural work being performed there by his firm.

JOHN SCHURMAN, A.I.A., formerly of Albert Kahn Associated Architects and Engineers, Inc., of Detroit, was featured in the Fort Lauderdale (Fla.) Sunday News of April 28 as having "much to do" with the new residence of Peter Lawrence and Mrs. Lawrence, who is Mr. Schurman's sister.

Concerning Mr. Schurman's suite in the Fort Lauderdale residence, the Sunday News states:

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ARCHITECT CHARLES M. VALENTINE, A.I.A. AND MRS. VALENTINE, of Marysville, Mich., joined The American Institute of Architects 1957 trek to Europe, flying from New York on May 18.

They were joined in Europe by their daughter Judy and, after visiting various European countries, journeyed to Florence, Italy to attend the wedding of Charles, Jr. to Miss Luanna Scatizzi, whom Charles, Jr. met in Rome when he was in the U. S. Army in Germany.

The wedding date is June 26, the 32nd wedding anniversary of the Sr. Valentines.

Host and hostess on the tour are Mr. John N. Richards, F.A.I.A. and Mrs. Richards, of Toledo, Ohio. Mr. Richards is First Vice President of The A.I.A.

ARCHITECT EARL G. MEYER, A.I.A. has moved his offices from the Farwell Building to 1306 Michigan Building, 220 Bagley Avenue, Detroit 26. The telephone number remains the same—WOodward 3-4742.

Meyer, a director of both the Michigan Society of Architects and Detroit Chapter, American Institute of Architects, is now engaged on school building programs for Berkley, Van Dyke, Grosse Pointe, Farmington and Redford Township.

CHARLES F. McKIRAHAN, A.I.A., of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., has become a non-resident member of the Michigan Society of Architects, it is announced by Ernest J. Dellar, Society Secretary.

McKirahan studied at Oklahoma A. & M. College, and he received his bachelor of Science in architetcure from the University of Illinois. He is registered to practice architecture in Florida, Illinois and Michigan, specializing in resort projects, country clubs and residences.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF DECORATORS, MICHIGAN CHAPTER has elected Mrs. Belva Sanford President; Harry Esling of Detroit, Vice President; Claire Van Dusen of Grand Rapids, Treasurer, and Mrs. Ellene Schoenley of Detroit, Secretary.

Mrs. Sanford, of The J. L. Hudson Company's Decorating Studio, succeeds James Erdman of Grand Rapids.

The A.I.D. now has 53 members.

#### **New Members**

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DETROIT CHAPTER, AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS has approved the application for membership in the Institute of F. Gene Ralls, of 6959 Whitby Ave., Garden City.

Ralls received his bachelor of science in architecture from the University of Michigan College of Architecture and Design in 1951, since which time he has been with the Dearborn office of Bennett & Straight, Architects, as draftsman and designer, and he is at present the firm's chief draftsman.

Associate members, recently elected by the Detroit Chapter, A.I.A.:

WALTER J. MATTHES, 15845 Ashton, Detroit, a 1922 graduate in architecture from the University of Notre Dame, now a specification writer with the Bloomfield Hills office of Swanson Associates, Inc., Architects.

DONALD F. WRIGHT, 1116 Fountain St., Ann Arbor, an alumnus of S. Dak. School of Mines and U. of Mich., at present a specifications writer with the office of Colvin, Robinson and Associates, Architects, in Ann Arbor.

ROY I. ALBERT, 3873 Hillside Court, Royal Oak, an alumnus of the University of Michigan College of Architecture and Design, now a designer and job captain with the Royal Oak office of Smith & Smith, Architects.

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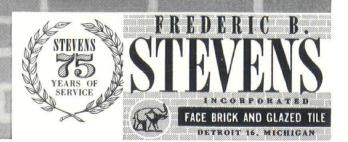
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LOUIS F. SCHNEIDER, A.I.A., has transferred his membership in The American Institute of Architects from the Detroit Chapter to the Florida Central Chapter.

Formerly employed in the architectural offices of Leo M. Bauer, of Detroit; Swanson Associates, Inc., of Bloomfield Hills, and Paul Moffett, of Birmingham, Schneider had maintained his own office in Royal Oak for the past year.

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JOSEPH W. LEINWEBER, A.I.A. AND MRS. LEINWEBER, of Grosse Pointe, left New York by air for Europe on May 28, for a 7-weeks visit to England, Belgium, Germany, France, Italy and Switzerland.

Leinweber is a member of the Royal Oak firm of Yamasaki, Leinweber & Associates, Architects.

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#### E. J. Brunner

Edwin J. Brunner, 69, Secretary-Manager of the Builders and Traders Exchange of Detroit, died at his home in Royal Oak, Michigan on May 16.

Mr. Brunner was born in Ohio, and he graduated from the University of Wisconsin. Before coming to Detroit, for eight years, he was editor of The American Contractor, in Chicago, and a councilman of Wheaton, Illinois.

He began with the Detroit Exchange in 1927, and under his direction it became the largest in America. He was immediate Past President of the Executives International Council of Building Exchanges.

Ed Brunner had been most loyal in his cooperation with the architectural profession in the area. In 1942 he helped organize the Michigan Building Industry Banquet, a feature of the Michigan Society of Architects Annual Convention, and he had been a member of the Banquet Committee ever since.

Likewise, his interest in all things of value to the architectural profession and the building industry led him to become a member of the Biddle House Restoration Committee, on which he served with distinction.

For these and other valuable contributions, he was recognized and loved by a host of friends throughout the country

Mr. Brunner is survived by his wife Mary; three sons, Winfield of Royal Oak, James of Bay City and Edwin, Jr. of San Antonio, Texas; a daughter, Mrs. Anthony Ripley of Royal Oak, and nine grand-children.

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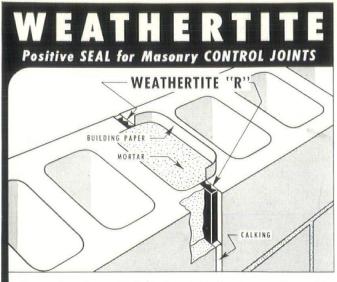
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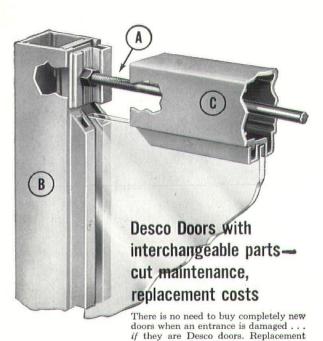
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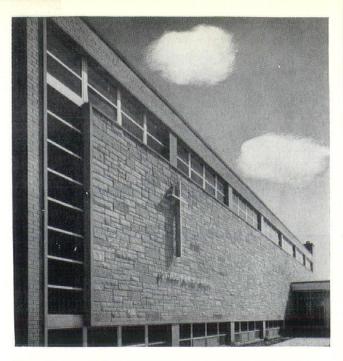
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Two evening slide shows were delivered to the student group this semester. In April Mr. Balogh, an instructor in architectural design at the college. entertained the group with slides from his recent trip to the Yucatan. The program was completed with slides of Italy from Professor Hammett's European trip two years ago.

On Thursday evening, March 9, Mr. Minoru Yamasaki delivered an excellent talk to the student chapter. The talk was supplemented by Mr. Yamasaki's slides of a recent trip to England and Japan and also some of his current work. The members of the student chapter were particularly impressed with Mr. Yamasaki's emphasis on beauty in architecture. A large number of faculty and student chapter members attended and more than filled Professor Hammett's home. The members of the student chapter are deeply endebted to Mr. Yamasaki for a most enjoyable evening.—FRED STEPHENSON





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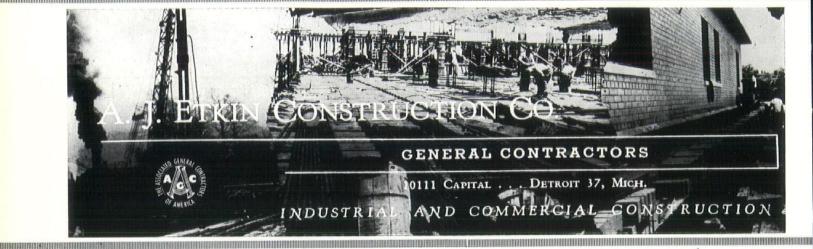
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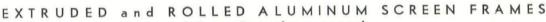




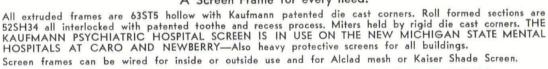








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#### Architect and Landscape Architecture

By Louis G. Redstone, A.I.A., A Talk Before the Men's Downtown Garden Club of Detroit

In the last quarter of a century enormous changes have taken place in the physical surroundings of our life and are still continuing right now before our eyes almost daily.

Our cities are slowly emerging from a hodge-podge of chaotic disorder into planned and organized units. The automobile, the adoption of the suburban pattern of residential distribution, the new concepts of industrial research planning, the need for centralized cultural and recreational centers and the development of new structural techniques have evolved a new type of architecture and city planning. No longer is a building planned as a unit by itself, but as an integrated part of a whole city pattern, based on traffic needs, parking, landscaping and economic requirements. This is where the landscape architect is going to play his most important role. He should become an important member of the city planning team where his specialized training and imagination for transformation of existing sites would be invaluable.

On smaller projects also there is a tendency to acquire more spacious sites. This applies not only to projects where there is a group of buildings, but also to individual churches, schools, office buildings and homes. There is no doubt in my mind that no building is complete. by itself without its proper integration to the ground by means of landscape art. A complete unity must exist between the building and its surroundings. However, this is easier said than done. To attain this unity requires close collaboration between the architect and the landscape architect and the willingness of the owner to put landscaping in the original budget. In theory, this collaboration should be a simple matter, as both professions have as their ideal to improve the physical well-being of their fellow-men.

But professional collaboration demands mutual respect and understanding and often the conflict of ideas interferes with it. Also from the standpoint of many owners, landscape architecture is still a luxury, and the finishing of the

grounds left to unqualified tradesmen very often has sad results.

The problem is how to improve this situation. It is difficult for people who have never seen planned surroundings to demand and expect improvements. It is up to the architects and landscape architects to be the "guiding lights." It is also imperative that our educational system at the elementary levels prepare new generations to be receptive to these changes and expect them as a way of life. I also feel that the architects are not getting enough education in landscape architecture from the universities. Just as architects and engineers have joint courses, there should also be joint courses for architects and landscape architects, for at least part of their college curriculum.

The architect should have a basic understanding of plants and know how to use them. He also has to learn how to achieve certain simple effects. This doesn't mean that he will replace the landscape architect, just as his understanding of mechanical problems and structural engineering does not replace the services of mechanical and structural engineers.

The fundamental creative principles upon which both professions are based are similar. Both work through their creative visual imagination. The general theory of composition, design, harmony and balance applies to both. However, there are important differences that make each profession distinct from the other. Landscape architecture deals with certain existing conditions in nature. Architecture deals with buildings, which create a new scheme of things. The materials used by each of the professions are totally different. One deals with nature-made materials; the other with man-made. The architect works in a comparatively small scale as compared with the landscape architect so that the entire perspective of things assumes different significance. Both arts must join together to create something vastly superior to that which each could produce working independently. As I see it, there is a great future for the landscape architects. There is  $\alpha$ definite transformation in the attitude of the public in regard to the service of the landscape architect. Gone are the days when the landscape architect had to depend solely on select patronage. He is beginning to serve society as a whole. There is also the new field of inside planting which is constantly growing in demand. There should be more research and development in new varieties of plants which can be adapted to interior conditions without prohibitive maintenance.

But the most important thing of all is for architects and landscape architects to believe in what they are doing and I am sure only then will the future of their professions be insured. By this I mean they have to be alert, openminded and with imagination, open up new vistas in their professions.





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EBERLE M. SMITH, A.I.A., President of the firm of Eberle M. Smith Assoc., Inc., Architects & Engineers, announces the election of Ralph Holzhauer, A.I.A., and Lyndon Welch, P. E., to its board of directors.

Welch, a professional engineer and associate member of the Detroit Chapter American Institute of Architects having a master's degree from the Mass. Inst. of Tech. and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Harvard, presently is serving as instructor and visiting lecturer on construction in the College of Architecture and Design at the University of Michigan. He joined the Smith firm in 1954 where he pioneered in the design of



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Ralph Holzhauer is a graduate of the University of Michigan College of Architecture and Design in 1944. Following his graduation he served overseas for the U. S. Navy as Lt. (J. G.) in charge of communications. Active duty was seen by Holzhauer upon an attack transport in the Pacific area for 30 months.

He joined the Eberle Smith firm in 1953 after having worked for Geo. D. Mason Co. and Giffels & Vallet, Inc. & L. Rossetti, Architects & Engineers.

Holzhauer works in the capacity of Chief Draftsman.

ANNE KREBS swings in good form at West Shore Country Club

# Golf League

#### **Coming Tournaments**

Tuesday, June 18 at Washtenaw Country Club, Ann Arbor.

Tuesday, July 16 at Hillcrest Golf Course, Mt. Clemens.

Tuesday, August 20 at Pine Lake Country Club, Bloomfield Hills.

Tuesday, September 17 at Dearborn Country Club, Dearborn.

Saturday, October 5 at Birmingham Country Club, Birmingham.

Final Banquet — Dinner and Dance.

THE ECCLESIASTICAL ARTS GUILD held its seventh annual exhibition of contemporary religious art at the J. L. Hudson Co. fine art galleries, from May 13th through 25th in Detroit, Michigan.

The C. Allen Harlan prize awards were as follows: Sculpture, first prize to Joseph J. O'Connell for his Madonna and Child (in steel); sculpture, second prize to Bernice Carmichael for her Jacob's Dream (in cast stone); craft, first prize to Margaret Bouchez for her Presentation of The Virgin (in stained glass); craft, second prize to Florence Gray for her Madonna (ceramic plaque).

Lewis Artist Supply Co. Award: For any media, awarded to Renee Kaupiz for her "Is it I Lord" (watercolor).

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Thimm Purchase Award: For any media, to Edgar Yeager for his Christ and St. Peter (engraving and carving).

The Ecclesiastical Arts Guild of Detroit Special Award: For any media, to Matthew Lasinski for his Articles of Faith (oil).



There were 150 entries of which less than a hundred were accepted by the jury consisting of Kenneth Saltemarch, Curator of Willested Art Museum, Walkerville, Ontario and Franklin Page, Assistant Curator of Educational Department of the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The show was of good professional quality and interested the general public and members of religious groups who were seeking new expressions of religious devotional objects.

This year the crafted articles such as metals, glass, stone, ceramic, etc. showed a decided increase in quantity and new techniques over the former shows.



SPEAKER TABLE DIGNITARIES, left to right: London Music Hall Comedian Frank Johnson, DABL Treasurer Walter Ziemba, Iner Peterson, Sam "Flo Ziegfeld" Ross, DABL Secretary Fay Ward, DABL President Lamont VanDell, Radio Star Fred Wolf, Play-





LEFT: SITTING PRETTY, left to right: Man of Leisure Paul Marshall, Wah Yee, Lowell Healy and Louis Huesmann

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"IT AIN'T GONNA RAIN NO MO," left to right: Art Mc-Donald, Songbird-Dancer Francine DuBay, and Jerry Halleck taking a bow



PAGE ARTHUR GODFREY: Songstress Penny Davis and Basso-Baritone (he should be singing at the "Met") Chuck Sestok extolling: "La Ci Darem La Mano"





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#### RIGHT

TOP BRASS DRINKING, left to right: Arthur Cook, Ralph Holzhauer, Werner Guenther, Ray Perkins, Earl Roberts and George Diehl



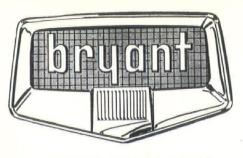
# heraton-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, April 26, 1957

BUDDIES: Radio Star Fred Wolf and Playwright Lyall Askew play-up the Program



QUINTET, left to right: Rex Marshall, George Diehl, Penny Davis, Charlie Sestok and Jimmy Lynch rendering: "Oh, Show Me the Way to Go Home"





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Calendar of Coming Events
June 10—Business Meeting, Dinner and
election of officers, Fort Shelby
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THE DOW CHEMICAL CO. sponsored the Michigan Chapter of Producers' Council's dinner and informational meeting held at the Hotel Fort Shelby, Detroit, on May 14th.

William S. Schock of Dow's Styrofoam sales was the principal speaker. The program included a showing of "Lifetime Protection"—a full-color film telling the story of Styrofoam as low temperature and comfort insulation, and its unique application as an insulation-plaster base. A question and answer period followed the showing of the film.

At the speakers' table besides Schock were Walter Sandrock, Charles Trambauer, Frederick Muller and from Dow Chemical: Robert Adam, Paul Jensen, Robert Polson, Deane Ebey and Styrofoam distributors, Charles Parham, Jr., and Carl Grebe. Introduced from the floor from Dow were Richard Thompson, Lee De Rosier and John Walton.

Among those at the dinner were Carl Marr, Paul Tilds, George Schulz, Ted Anderson, Russ Wentworth, Gene Henderson, Frank Barcus, William Snure, Lawrence Jameson, Arthur Schmidt—just back from Puerto Rico; Wayne Mohr, Charles Andres, Roy Smith, Fred Harley, Sam Burtman, Carl Habermas, Edward Parker, Ernest Greenberg, R. B. Richardson, Homer Fowler, Earl Thompson, Charles Garascia, Maurice Hammond, William Creaser and C. M. Houff.



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THE DETROIT CAULKING AND WEATHERPROOF COMPANY of 1347 East Jefferson, Detroit, prominent in Detroit commercial and industrial caulking since the turn of the century, have announced the appointment of Werner A. Wulf as Sales Manager.

Well known in Detroit architectural and building circles for the past ten years, Wulf comes to the Detroit Caulking firm from three years with Commercial Contracting Corporation where he headed the Construction Department. Prior to that he was Chief Engineer of the DeCroupet Iron Works, structural steel fabricators.

The Detroit Caulking and Weatherproof Company, caulking contractors and manufacturers of Superior Elastic Caulk, are also distributors of the products of Grund Plastic Industries, originators of Grund Expansion Gaskets widely used in the building field. These gaskets tend to eliminate cracking due to contraction, expansion, and building movement in masonry construction. The many structures in the Detroit area in which the Grund Expansion Gaskets were used include the new addition to the Ford Hospital, Veterans Memorial Building, City-County Building, Ford Rotunda, Detroit Tank Arsenal, Willow Run Bomber Plant, Ford Dearborn Aircraft Building, Rackham Memorial Building, Chrysler Factory Showroom, Chrysler Engineering Building, various buildings of Michigan Bell Telephone

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Other Grund products include Standard Bond for Priming Masonry, Standard Dri-Coat with Silicone for water-proofing stone, and plastic glazing compounds.

The Detroit Caulking and Weatherproof Company's larger local caulking contracts include the City-County Building, Veterans Memorial Building, Penobscot Building, and Buhl Building.

Carl J. Poehlman continues with the Caulking Company as Senior Estimator.

THE MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS will hold its Midsummer Conference at Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island August 8 to 10. All those interested in attending the event should make their reservations direct with Grand Hotel as soon as possible.



JOSEPH H. SPITZLEY

JOSEPH H. SPITZLEY, president of the R. L. Spitzley Heating Co., of Detroit, Michigan was elected President of the Mechanical Contractors Association of America at the Association's annual convention held recently in Miami, Florida.

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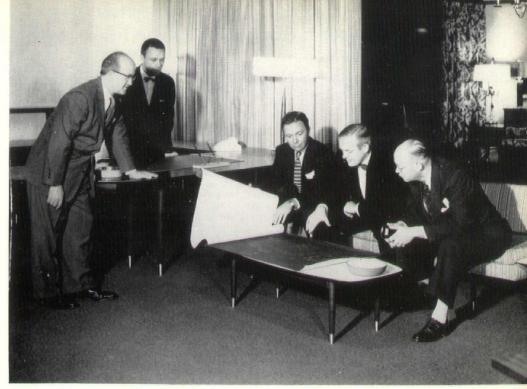
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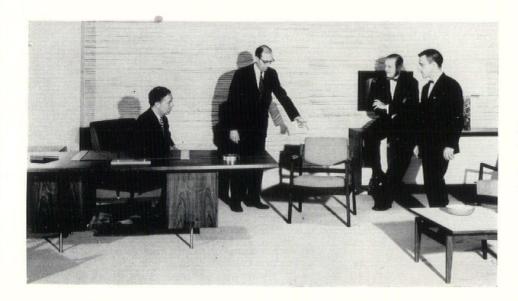
## New Office Furnishings

GREGORY, MAYER & THOM COM-PANY, one of the nation's oldest and largest office outfitters, held open house in the new Furniture Galleries on the second floor of their Detroit store on May 23 and 24.

Since the founding of the firm in 1899 it has always striven to meet the most exacting demands for fine office furnishings. So now it has done a superb job in a great display area which sets the pace for the new trend in office furniture and decor.



Many architects attended the opening. Shown above, inspecting furniture specifications are, left to right: Malcom R. Stirton, James Bennett Hughes, Arthur O. A. Schmidt, James B. Gibson and Frederick W. Fuger in the Furniture Galleries



Alfred J. Mayer, Jr. of Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co. points out construction features of chair to Arthur O. A. Schmidt, left, and James B. Gibson and James Bennett Hughes, at right, in one of the furniture display sections

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Swedish modern desks and chairs are enhanced by hand-tailored draperies lamps, pictures, carepting and the latest office accessories. Some of the displays at Gregory, Mayer & Thom look like Hollywood settings, however there is a modern design for every taste including traditional and contemporary.

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Charles G. Thom of Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co. explains cabinet design and construction to Frederick W. Fuger and Malcolm R. Stirton in one of the many complete office furnishing exhibits



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Above, left to right: D. J. Fontana, Robert H. Pyle and J. Richard Cone

BROWN & RAISCH COMPANY, of Detroit has recently announced its plans for incorporation and expansion in order to keep pace with the growth and demands of the building industry. A leader in granite memorials since 1879, it has incorporated into four new divisions with the purpose of giving the building industry more efficient and comprehensive service. The officers of each new division are also planning to develop and expand the present products and services.

The new divisions named are:

Signs and Symbols, Inc.—The division will offer complete design and engineering services relative to the manufacturing and distribution of architectural letters, plaques and signs. It will utilize cast aluminum and bronze, fabricated stainless steel and aluminum, and sawed aluminum plate in its products. A trained staff of designers will be avail-

able to help the architects with any of their lettering problems.

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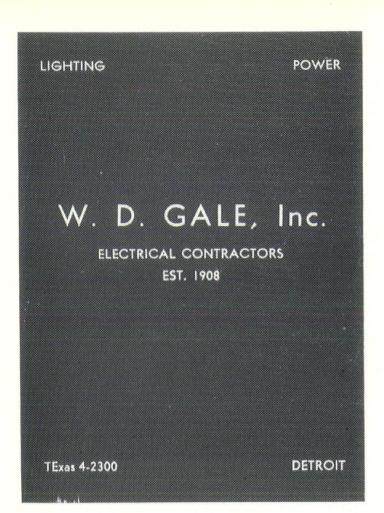
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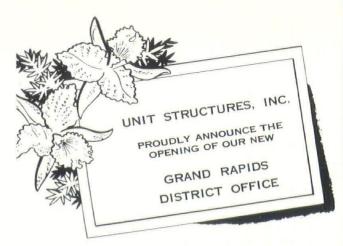
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Below: Panelists at an R. C. Mahon Co. national sales meeting held in Detroit recently, left to right: Elmer J. Manson, Carl Giffels, James A. Spence, Clair W. Ditchy, Lyndon Welch and Burton H. Holmes, Technical Editor of Progressive Architecture, who submitted a paper on curtain wall construction







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Louis Roberts, president of Isabel Scott Fabrics Corp., said that the new collection was being introduced in Detroit and confined to that area for the next four months, in recognition of the city's achievement as one of the country's leading design centers and to honor Gere Kavanaugh, a Detroit interior designer, for her outstanding talent.

Gere Kavanaugh who created this new Isabel Scott hand print collection, is a resident of Oak Park, Michigan.

Since childhood, Miss Kavanaugh has been a student of art. She received the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the Memphis Academy of Arts and more recently the Master of Fine Arts degree from Cranbrook Academy of Arts where she majored in design.

Gere Kavanaugh's professional experience has been as interior designer for residences, schools and shopping centers. She is presently associated with General Motors as stylist in the General Design Department.

The new collection has distinction and appeal for its unusual design treatments, subtle color ways and bold patterns which measure a yard or more in length. They are ideal to dramatize large window areas and have a quality that suggests their appropriateness to practically any interior handled in a contemporary manner.

Miss Kavanaugh uses various motifs such as: circles, oblongs, kite tails and dried flowers for her designs in what appears to be an all-over effect but which is actually an adroit handling of covered and unadorned space. Her drawings, rendered in a free brush style, are most appealing for draperies and in some instances for upholstery.

The available fabrics are medium and heavy weight Belgium linen, gauze blended of silk and Fortisan, crisp cotton taffeta, wool and linen combinations, an exclusive Fiber Glass texture and a highly styled novelty loomed of goat's hair.

There is color excitement throughout the line achieved by Miss Kavanaugh's knowing way of blending colors. For example, some of the colors are muted tones of lavender, blueberry, peacock green and charcoal, olive, light blue, navy and blue mist; shocking pink, orange, ochre and charcoal, etc. The average fabric width throughout the line is 50" and the approximate retail price is from \$7.50 to \$13.50 a yard.



Above, left to right: Raymond A. Werbe of C. A. Finsterwald Co., Architect Bruce H. Smith and beauteous Mrs. Suren Pilafian examining fabrics on display at the exhibit



Below, left to right: Architects Linn Smith and Peter Tarapata; designer Gere Kavanaugh and Irving Wiseman of C. A. Finsterwald's architectural contact staff



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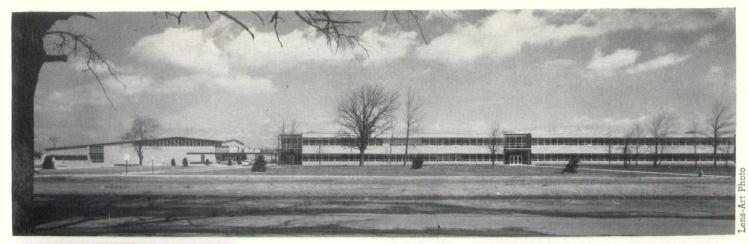
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school should be named after him.

The dedication address was made by Dr. Ernest O. Melby, Dean of the School of Education of New York University, New York.

The ceremony climaxed two years of building to complete the \$5,000,000 high school which was designed by architects O'Dell, Hewlett & Luckenbach Associates of Birmingham, Michigan.

Left: left to right: Royal Oak Board of Education President Clarence M. Kimball and James C. Covert, Royal Oak Superintendent of Schools, at dedication ceremonies

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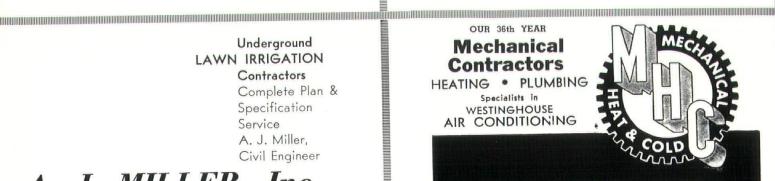
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