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LETTERS

BULLETIN

On returning to the office today following an absence of several weeks I found the December 1960 issue of the Bulletin in which, on page 7, you reproduced a letter from the Ann Arbor News dated October 25, 1960, and signed "Concerned" on the subject of fees requested by three architectural firms who were being considered for appointment as architects for the New Ann Arbor City Hall building.

The letter from the Ann Arbor News stated that a Lansing firm submitted the lowest fee of 5%. Because of the fact that our firm was named in the news stories in the Ann Arbor News as the Lansing firm being considered, it is reasonable to assume that many of our colleagues who have read the letter of October 25 from "Concerned" may believe that we did actually quote a flat fee of 5% for this work. That statement is definitely not true.

On August 19 we received a form letter from Mr. Larcum requesting us to submit certain information, including our fee schedule for the type of project being considered. Our reply to his letter, dated August 29, read in part as follows:

"Our normal fee for office buildings runs from 5% to 6%, depending upon the character of the building, number of repeating units, whether or not building contains specialty items such as fell equipment, food facilities, etc. We would like to have an opportunity to discuss your proposed project with you in more detail, following which we will be pleased to quote a definite fee."

In all of our discussions with both Mr. Larcum and the Building Committee the only discussion relative to a fee revolved around a question as to how much additional charge, over and above the basic fee, would be necessary for full time supervision during construction and how much additional cost would be involved if we were to associate with an Ann Arbor architectural firm. We were never asked to state a definite fee for the project, nor did we do so.

Considering the nature of the work as it was finally explained to us, we believe that the 6% fee which the article states is being charged by Mr. Dow is entirely proper and is the minimum amount which the City should have expected to pay on a project of this nature.—Kenneth C. Black.

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**Let's Think About Architects**

By Robert C. Smith, Vice President; George N. Wilson, President; Earl G. Meyer, Vice President; Lyndon B. Wise, Treasurer; Talmage C. Hughes, F.A.I.A., Editor and Publisher.

For twenty years it has been fun to keep our Christmas verses going. But will there be another one? There is no knowing. There are so many ways to say Merry Christmas. (They are illimitable.)

So that's the way for us to choose. We shall not need to seek our muse or search the early morning dews. Or in the sunset's many hues look for any better way For us to say: "Merry Christmas."

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By Charles H. MacMahon, Jr., Vice President; Gerald G. Diehl, James B. N. Youtz, Frederick E. Wigen, Philip N. Youtz, Herbert W. Johe, Earl G. Meyer, Auldin H. Smith, Robert C. Smith, Frederick J. Schoettley, Sol King, Robert F. Hastings, Directors; Talmage C. Hughes, Executive Secretary.

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Election

Charles A. O'Bryon, of Grand Rapids, was re-elected President of the Michigan Society of Architects at the annual meeting of its Board in McGregor Conference Center, Detroit on December 15. Charles H. MacMahon, Jr., of Birmingham, was re-elected First Vice President. Harvey C. Allison, of Midland, was elected Second Vice President and Clarke E. Harris, of Lansing, Third Vice President.

Re-elected Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, were Gerald G. Diehl, of Detroit and George W. Sprau, of Kalamazoo.

Other directors of the Society, to serve for the year 1961 are Vincent T. Boyle of Midland, Paul A. Brysselbout of Bay City, Joseph T. Daverman of Grand Rapids, Herbert W. Johe of Ann Arbor, Earl G. Hall of the Institute, Auldin H. Nelson of Flint, J. Wesley Olds of Lansing, David E. Post of Grand Rapids, Frederick J. B. Sevald of Detroit, Bruce H. Smith of Royal Oak, Robert B. Smith of Kalamazoo, James E. Tomblinson of Flint, Frederick E. Wigen of Saginaw and Philip N. Youts of Ann Arbor.

The Society, now in its 46th year, has 823 members. It is composed of five chapters of The American Institute of Architects in Michigan.

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Reports

Administrative Study

Charles H. MacMahon, Jr., Chairman

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Section 1. Name

Other than this Michigan non-profit corporation is the "MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS, a State Organization of the American Institute of Architects" and is hereinafter referred to as the "Society".

Section 2. Definitions

The terms "Institute" or "Chapter" as used in these By-Laws refer to "The American Institute of Architects" as incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, or to its local chapters established or to be established in the future within the State of Michigan.

Reference to "Society", "Board", "Committee", "Officer", "Member", "Meeting" or similar designations shall pertain or refer to the Michigan Society of Architects, a State Organization of the American Institute of Architects.

Section 3. Purpose

The purpose of this Society shall be to promote the art and science of architecture; to educate and assist its members, chapters, and others in the art and science of architecture; to encourage the development of the allied arts, particularly insofar as they may relate to the art and science of architecture, and to represent and act for the profession within the State of Michigan, in matters of state-wide interest affecting the practice of architecture. The Society shall function as the state-wide representative of the unifying body for the various chapters of The American Institute of Architects chartered within the State of Michigan, on matters of state-wide interest affecting the members of said chapters.

The MSA shall develop, in cooperation with organizations whose activities and purposes directly affect the architectural profession.

Section 4. Property

Neither the Society nor a chapter shall have any title or interest in any property of the Society or be liable for any debt of the Society, nor shall the Society have any title or interest in any property of the Institute or a chapter or be liable for any debt of the Institute or a chapter.

Membership

Corporate membership in the Michigan Society of Architects shall follow membership in a Michigan Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

Other categories of membership adopted from time to time by the American Institute of Architects shall be considered for duplication in the Michigan Society of Architects at such times as they are adopted by the AIA.

Other categories of membership presently offered by AIA Chapters shall be considered to be desirable.

Sustaining membership in the Michigan Society of Architects shall be eliminated when other means of financing our activities have been accomplished.

Ethics and Practices

The Michigan Society of Architects shall be on guard of the high standards of ethics and practices of the architectural profession. It should by all means possible emphasize the need for adherence to these through periodic review of the principles adopted by the AIA leading toward a thorough understanding of these standards by MSA members.

It shall be the duty of the Board to consider cases of dishonest practice, violation of the "Standards of Professional Conduct", deceit, fraud or misrepresentation in the obtaining of a State certificate of registration, malfeasance or gross incompetency on the part of any architect registered in the State of Michigan, or cases of violation of the State law providing for the registration of architects, and to report its findings, with recommendations, to the State Board of Registration.

Education

A post-graduate and/or continuing education program in all of the basic architectural fields are under consideration for the future. The Society shall develop a "PR Program" of the MSA are the many important segments of MSA's total program, which is generally considered as the "PR Program" of the MSA are the many activities of projects initiated and carried on specifically to (1) improve architectural practice, and service, (2) inform the public with respect to architectural policy and progress, and (3) organize and act in behalf of the architectural profession.

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In the ultimate, all are aimed at preserving and protecting the most valuable attributes of architectural practice as it exists today while adding those factors which can improve service and widen influence.

Public Relations

The Michigan Society of Architects shall follow membership in a Michigan Chapter of the American Institute of Architects for their influence upon the architectural profession. The Society shall follow membership in a Michigan Chapter of the American Institute of Architects for their influence upon the architectural profession.

The MSA will, of course, continue to rely on the Monthly Bulletin, its preliminary and final programs, its legislative report, and proposes to supplement these with additional communications such as a President's Letter or other communications.

Services

The MSA will provide leadership and guidance to the Chapters and to individual architects as a basic policy. Some of the services currently offered or contemplated are as follows:

The providing of an Annual Convention, a Mid-Summer Conference, and other state-wide meetings.

Personnel placement.

Program planning for Chapters.

Providing guidance to the building industry.

The distribution of publications avail-
able from the AIA which are applicable to Michigan and the dissemination of other materials for architectural activities, problems and general correspondence.

A library service.

The Committee of recommended minimum fee schedules.

Carrying out business and professional relationship with governmental agencies such as the Building Division, the Fire Marshall of Detroit, and the Michigan Industry through the provision of advice to its members for experts in the subject areas, through educational media and through the providing of services within the power of the MSA to offer.

Education

George B. Savage, Chairman

Your Education and Research Committee for the year 1960 was composed of the following members:

Clarke E. Harris; Walter B. Sanders; Clifford Gibbs; Louis G. Redstone; George B. Savage, Chairman.

The activities of this standing committee are included in the following Sub-Committees:

School Building Committee — Clarke E. Harris, Chairman
Biddle House Committee — Adrian N. Languis, Chairman
Preservation of Historic Buildings — Charles W. Stieby, Chairman
Registration Act — Walter B. Sanders, Chairman
Facilities for the Aged — James Bayne, Chairman
Pan American Congress — Louis G. Redstone, Chairman

The Committees listed have continuing programs and considerable ground was covered by all of those items listed.

The School Building Committee worked closely with the State Fire Marshal Division throughout the year, followed the Michigan State University School Building Conference, worked closely with the Michigan Association of School Boards in connection with their meeting in Grand Rapids, participated in the activities of the AIA for Proposal No. One just prior to the election in November and worked closely with the Fire Marshal’s Office concerning the fire prevention section of School Bulletin No. 412 in solving problems on inspection.

Early during the year a study of the R-17, A.I.A. Seminar Program was made. This program which is national in scope was thought to be an appropriate area of participation for the Society. It was voted to contribute $150.00 toward the program to be used on behalf of the Schools of Architecture in Michigan with the recommendation that the Individual Chapters in Michigan also participate.

Recommendation — We recommend that participation in this program be continued.

A more complete report of this committee is attached.

Biddle House Committee — This year saw the first year that the Biddle House program brought to a completion. This building was turned over to the State of Michigan at the August meeting on Mackinac Island. All obligations on the part of the Architects of the State of Michigan have been met. It shall be the responsibility of the Michigan Society of Architects to promote the Biddle property as a continuing project.

The Women’s Architectural League is doing interior decorating and furnishing of the house under the direction of Dr. Eugene T. Peterson.

Registration Act Committee — Work on this committee during 1960 consisted of study of our Act, research and gathering of materials for comparison with the Registration Act of other states. Certain flaws present in our Registration Act have been established and recommendations of procedure for correcting those flaws are contained in the Committee’s report to be passed on to the 1961 Committee. A more complete copy of the Registration Act Committee report is attached.

Recommendation — It is recommended that the proposals made by this Sub-Committee be followed as closely as possible and that the structure of the Sub-Committee for the year 1961 be as outlined by the Sub-Committee in its October 1960 report.

Pan American Congress — Study was made early in 1960 regarding the possibility of a Michigan Delegation to American Congress in the City of Detroit. Little hope has been given that this will be possible. The chairman of this Sub-Committee attended the Pan American Congress in Brazil this year.

Preservation of Historic Buildings — An attempt to initiate some interest in the preservation of historic buildings was made by that Sub-Committee during the year. In the absence of some procedure by which older buildings of some merit could be rated little headway was made. No specific report has been received from this Sub-Committee, so it must be assumed that activity other than that mentioned above has been nil.

Recommendation — It is recommended that the Society define its responsibility in this area and that the Sub-Committee chairman in the future be requested to outline a proper program in keeping with the Society’s degree of willing participation.

Facilities for the Aged — Attached here to is a report on the University of Michigan’s 13th Annual Conference on Aging. The nature of the conference was such that it was possible for the Michigan Society of Architect’s Committee to attend only a small portion of the conference. The material contained in the report gives some indication of the status of this subject at present. Continuing reports in the future will make this report more useful in defining this part of our program.

School Buildings

Clarke E. Harris, Chairman

Michigan State University School Building Conference — This annual conference was discontinued this year, this action being recommended made by the 1959 School Building Committee.

Michigan Association of School Boards Meeting — The annual meeting of this group was shifted from the M.S.U. campus to the Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids. As in previous years, the Committee sponsored a display of School Architecture in conjunction with the meeting on October 6 and 7. Committee member Joseph T. Daverman made necessary local arrangements for the conference, which is contrast with previous years, was given a most favorable environment. Nineteen firms exhibited forty-eight mounts, this being about an average showing for this particular meeting.

It appears that this meeting will grow greatly in importance and attendance under the leadership of Executive Secretary Julius Barbour and the committee recommends that our group continue to work closely with Dr. Barbour in the promotion of participation by architectural firms and individuals in this meeting.

Renewal of School Bond Loan Fund Amendment — At the request of the Chairman for Citizens for Proposal No. 1, the committee solicited the M.S.A. membership for financial contributions to underwrite publicity concerning Proposal No. 1. Twenty-two firms contributed total of $1,480.00 which represented nearly 25% of the total receipts realized by the Citizens Group. This effort was gratefully acknowledged by that group as being of a large factor in the favorable election result.

Fire Safety Regulations for Existing School Buildings — As an extension of its services last year in connection with preparation of “Fire Prevention Section of School Bulletin 412” the committee has participated this year in the Fire Marshal’s Study Committee on “Regulations for Existing School Buildings.” Also represented were Michigan School Administrators, Michigan Association of School Administrators, Michigan School Business Officials and the Department of Public Instruction.

At several meetings the Fire Marshal Division made general distribution of the proposed regulations for public information. These are being presently used as the standard for inspection of school buildings pending adoption into the Administrative Code through the procedure of public hearings.

Fire Prevention Section of School Bulletin 412 — As the result of a series of meetings of the Fire Marshal, the Department of Public Instruction and this Committee is taking place to establish the extent of the problems arising from the administration and interpretation of the Fire Prevention Section. These findings will constitute the basis for probable revision to be made early next year as may be recommended and formulated by our committee in consultation with the other agencies. It is hoped that considerable clarification of the regulations will result.

Legislation

Walter B. Sanders, Chairman

This Sub-Committee continued to function throughout the year, reporting orally at several Board Meetings, and submitting a three-page written report at the September meeting. A summary list of flaws in the Registration Act has been established, and recommendations have been made regarding procedure to correct the flaws. The recommendations, also made in September, have not been implemented by the Board due to Chapter elections being held dur-
ing October and November, and the composition of the Board undergoing change as a result of the elections. It is anticipated that recommendations made in the September report will be followed by the new Board, and that meetings with APESCJLOR will be held early in 1961. Copies of the reports of the sub-committee have been mimeographed, and will be available to the new members of the committee upon their appointment by the 1961 President of the Michigan Society of Architects.

U. of M. Conference on the Aging

Walter B. Sanders

The conference opened with introductory remarks by Mr. Woodrow W. Hunter, Dr. Wilma Donahue, Dr. James Watt and Mr. Blue Cartenson. Dr. Donahue directed her comments toward the background of Mr. Warren T. Roudebrush, Executive Director, Federal Council on Aging of the U. of M. The conference opened with introductory remarks by Mr. Woodrow W. Hunter, Dr. Wilma Donahue, Dr. James Watt and Mr. Blue Cartenson. Dr. Donahue directed her comments toward the background of Mr. Warren T. Roudebrush, Executive Director, Federal Council on Aging of the U. of M. The writer attended the group meeting and reports of this sub-committee have been mimeographed, and will be available to the new members of the committee upon their appointment by the 1961 President of the Michigan Society of Architects.

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Department of HEW, posed the following questions:

What administrative agency should build into itself the program for aged?

Are there circumstances and needs of aged that warrant new agencies?

Within department that provide services for elderly, should there be generic division in same?

Do professional persons working with elderly need specific training and skills?

Is there need for coordination of program among agencies dealing with aged?

What should be role of government agencies in programming needs, etc?

Should government agencies develop experimental and innovation programs, etc, or wait for outside voluntary agencies?

What should be working arrangement between government and voluntary agencies?

Should effort be made to employ effort and interest of aged in government agencies?

The final sessions were devoted to "Fields of Action" with sub-conferences in the following categories:

Health, housing, income, employment, education, free time, institutional administration, social services.

The final session attended by the writer was the session on Housing, chaired by E. Everett Ashley III. This session was led by a representative of each of the sessions on channels of action. The basic conclusion reached was that with increased leniency of the Housing and Home Finance Agency and FHA policies toward availability of funds for Housing the Elderly, we should see increased action in this field by the Church and non-profit bodies.

Membership

Harvey C. Allison, Chairman

The Membership Committee has held one meeting and four telephone conferences during April, May and June of 1960; contacted about 230 offices in the State by mail in May; made telephone calls, discussed many of MSA sponsored events and committee activities indicating the value and direction of our efforts. In early July a second mailing on a more personal basis was made by chapter representatives of the Membership Committee. This mailing consisted of 180 letters. It was supplemented with 106 phone calls by those men.

As of November 21, 1960, $15,155.00 was raised from 144 membership lists in 1960. During December of 1960 the first mailing of the 1961 Sustaining Membership dues will be sent to the 312 offices in the State.

The attached Schedule A shows the change by cities of sustaining membership from 1959 to 1960.

The attached Schedule B shows the dollar value of membership from 1959 to 1960.

We will see that the decrease in membership as well as the amount of each membership is relatively constant throughout the State. This would indicate that the decrease in monies raised via this program is due to state-wide characteristics.

The Chapter representatives of this committee were each asked to report on the typical reaction they received in the Chapter during the promotion of this drive. Each of these reports indicated a lack of understanding on the part of the typical office of what the MSA is doing with the money. It was indicated that the only contact with the MSA is by Bulletin and this is becoming more impersonal as the years go by.

We had no significant reaction to the amount of membership although one report thought that it could be taken as an indication that the membership is becoming more impersonal and that it is the responsibility of the professional societies. The AIA will have to be sought out to serve as hosts and interpreters during the official meetings it can be readily solved by means of simultaneous translation, but it will be much more difficult to solve the language barrier in the social intercourses. Spanish speaking American architects will have to be found out for serving as hosts and interpreters during the official meetings it can be readily solved by means of simultaneous translation, but it will be much more difficult to solve the language barrier in the social intercourses. Spanish speaking American architects will have to be found out for serving as hosts and interpreters during the official meetings it can be readily solved by means of simultaneous translation, but it will be much more difficult to solve the language barrier in the social intercourses. Spanish speaking American architects will have to be found out for serving as hosts and interpreters during the official meetings it can be readily solved by means of simultaneous translation, but it will be much more difficult to solve the language barrier in the social intercourses. Spanish speaking American architects will have to be found out for serving as hosts and interpreters during the official meetings it can be readily solved by means of simultaneous translation, but it will be much more difficult to solve the language barrier in the social intercourses. Spanish speaking American architects will have to be found out for serving as hosts and interpreters during the official meetings it can be readily solved by means of simultaneous translation, but it will be much more difficult to solve the language barrier in the social intercourses. Spanish speaking American architects will have to be found out for serving as hosts and interpreters during the official meetings it can be readily solved by means of simultaneous translation, but it will be much more difficult to solve the language barrier in the social intercourses. Spanish speaking American architects will have to be found out for serving as hosts and interpreters during the official meetings it can be readily solved by means of simultaneous translation, but it will be much more difficult to solve the language barrier in the social intercourses. Spanish speaking American architects will have to be found out for serving as hosts and interpreters during the official meetings it can be readily solved by means of simultaneous translation, but it will be much more difficult to solve the language barrier in the social intercourses. Spanish speaking American architects will have to be found out for serving as hosts and interpreters during the official meetings it can be readily solved by means of simultaneous translation, but it will be much more difficult to solve the language barrier in the social intercourses. Spanish speaking American architects will have to be found out for serving as hosts and interpreters during the official meetings it can be readily solved by means of simultaneous translation, but it will be much more dif
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Public Relations
Clarence L. Waters, Chairman

Your Committee proposed a method of selecting an Architect to the Governor of Michigan to consider for appointment to the State Board of Registration. The method was adopted by the M.S.A. Board of Directors.

The Committee proposed that the Gover­ nor of the State of Michigan be asked to declare one week as "Architects Week." It was hoped that this "Week" would coincide with Michigan State Conventions thereby aiding in publicity.

The Committee is considering ways of establishing and publicizing the "Architectural Audit," a program proposed by the Public Relations Council of the M.S.A.

Registration Act
Malcolm R. Stirton, Chairman

The year opened with an opportunity to meet with the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers in Lansing and their Committee on Ethics and Practice. The an­ nouncement of the meeting was so quick that it was not possible to have a repre­ sentative there although all members of the committee were contacted. However, the results were discussed not only with Mr. LeGros, their chairman, but also through Peter VanderLaan with representa­ tives of the committee. A great deal of this discussion pertained to the possibiliti­ es of amending the Registration Act with the idea of admitting or opposing the Sanitarians. The up-shot was that they agreed not to go to the Sanitarians in setting up a Registration Law of their own. The Sanitarians have not been able to effect this idea and the Engineers seem­ in under Act 240. It would behoove the M.S.A. to keep in close touch with this development in case it comes up in the next session of the Legislature.

Various matters of ethics were proposed to our committees by Chairman LeGros of M.S.P.E. but after discussion with the M.S.A. Board, it was decided that these items were not matters of state ethics and practice but primarily to be handled on the local or chapter level. Since that deter­ mination, no further complaints have been referred to our committee.

Our committee was instrumental in de­ feating various bills in Washington which would legalize secondary boycotting. Our letters to members of the House and Senate were all answered and apparently appreciated, particularly by the members of the Associated General Contractors and related groups.

I attended the meeting of the Michigan Society of the Professions here in Detroit with particular reference to the report of the Committee on Legislation, copies of which were sent to you.

In view of the recent ballyhoo about taxes and election this year, there were not any further elements of great consequence for our committee to handle except to keep an eye on any problems which might ef­ fect our group in the State Legislature. Mr. Brenneman has cooperated to the full­ est in advising us of any impending legis­ lation that would be of concern to us and has benefited us on his suggestions as to how to deal with it.

Health Council
Auldin H. Nelson, Chairman

No report is available from this com­ mittee since there has been no contact with the Michigan Health Council during the past year. The undesigned was noti­ fied, early in the year, of one meeting of this organization, but was unable to at­ tend since notice of meeting was re­ ceived too late. No further meeting an­ nouncements or other communications have been forthcoming.

Treasurer
George W. Sprau

Mr. Sprau reported on the Society's fi­ nances, indicating a strong position, with some $20,000 in assets.

His report was in detail, showing oper­ ation well within the budget.

PR Consultant
Hugh W. Brenneman

The Public Relations Consultant of the Michigan Society of Architects is retained to consult on public relations matters which impinge on the practice. The P. R. Consultant does not state M.S.A. policy nor determine policy, that being the prerogative of the Board of Directors.

Activites for 1960 included:

ADMINISTRATION—At the beginning of the year, met with President Obryan, 1st V. P. MacMahon, 2nd V. P. Waters and representatives of the A.I.A. Chapters to review administration problems. At the recommendation of the President, the P. R. Consultant assisted in developing a de­ tailed study of methods and personnel necessary to put M.S.A. operations on an efficient and business-like basis.

SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE STUDY COMMITTEE—Participated in meetings of this committee, made recommendations. P. R. Assistant, upon request, ar­ ranged for meetings, supplied necessary correspondence and recorded Minutes.

BOARD MEETINGS—P. R. Consultant or Assistant attended all meetings of the Board and acted in capacity of Recording Sec­ retary. Minutes written for approval of President and mailed to Secretary for du­ plication and distribution.

EXECUTIVE MEETINGS—Attended all annual business meetings.

1960 MSA CONVENTION—Developed publicity schedule to obtain maximum coverage and benefit from news releases and other publicity for convention. Pre­ pared copy for letters to all members re convention plans, speakers, etc.

Prepared special convention releases for architectural publications, both state and national; also sent promotional material to architectural firms schools of architecture, convention bureau.

NEWSPIER, PUBLICATION, RADIO AND TV COVERAGE

To MSA Monthly Journal, December Iss­ ue: Convention Story. January Issue: Special Plans, Speakers, Social Events, Special Story re Draftsmen. Detroit, Special Other Special Events. February Issue: Copy of Program; Story re Final Arrangements; Tear-out Reservation Card.


To Other Publications: Special Release to Michigan Association of the Professions re Inter-professional, Guests, Activities, Participation, etc.

To All Michigan Newspapers (400): Mid­ January: General Story, Mid-February: Spe­ cial Story re Key-note Speaker (Picture) Letter and Story to Editors of Women's Pages Straining Exhibits, New Trends in Housing, Housing for the Aged, The Young, Other Special Items re Special Interest to Women and Decorators.

Same Release to Real Estate Editors.

To Detroit Newspapers: February: Per­ sonal Letter to Community Editors (Followed by Personal Contact). Short Release Sent Personally to City Editor.

Invitation Sent to Women Editors and Special Feature Editors to Attend Ladies' Luncheon and Other Events Scheduled for Ladies.

Real Estate Editors and Writers Con­ tacted re Special Events. Special Invita­ tion to Them re Events of Particular In­ terest to Their Readers.

Story to Society Editors re Ladies Social Activities of Convention (Picture of Chair­ women, Other Leading Ladies).


To Home Town Papers: Individual Re­ leases Prepared and Sent to hometown Papers About All Participants in Convention (About 35).

To Radio: March: Newscast Prepared and Furnished all Detroit Stations Week Of, and Bank Proceeding, Convention.

Releases Also Prepared for Detroit Sta­ tion During Convention and Released from Press Room.

TV: Coverage of Exhibits and On-the-
**Student Forum**

**Washington, D.C., Nov. 21-23, 1960**

**Anthony A. Foust, Delegate; Richard Gostomski, James Voltman, James Beebe, Alternates**

This is the sixth consecutive year that student representatives from each school of architecture in the country have been invited to participate in a three-day Forum sponsored by the AIA.

The purpose of the Forum is to overcome the insularity of the school community and, through free discussion, to explore the role of the architectural profession. The spokesman and representative of the profession is the Institute.

By sponsoring the Forum, the Institute thus hopes to acquaint the student representatives not only with its own aims and activities, but through them, with the broad principles of professionalism and with the realities of architectural practice.

It is incumbent on all representatives to share their acquired knowledge and their impressions of the Forum with those they represent.

The foregoing three paragraphs are the aims and purposes of the Forum as they were summarized in the opening. We, as representatives of Michigan feel this was a just and adequate picture of what the Institute is trying to accomplish at the student forums. It is an interesting note that all the colleges and universities offering degrees in architecture, there were representatives from 70 of these schools, and the University of Michigan was one of the few with as many as four representatives. Needless to say, this brought some recognition not only to ourselves but also to the University.

Much was to be learned in meeting with representatives from schools across the nation, not only in their organization of student chapters, but also in their approach and ideas of the profession of which they will someday become a part.

We found that in talking with students from schools where there was no student chapter or where there were inactive chapters that they had less idea of what to really expect upon entering the professional world. This is exactly what the forum was trying to find out and exactly how the Institute might help these chapters or establish new chapters. We, ourselves, feel that we have picked up not only new ideas for our student chapter, but we have also become much more aware of the profession itself.

The following is a brief summary of the three day Forum, the highlights from the speakers during this three day period.

Monday, November 21

The welcome was given by Edmund R. Purves, Executive Director, AIA. His short and spirited talk was devoted to the activities of the AIA and of the Octagon, and of the responsibility of the profession. He emphasized the idea of "be yourself" in order to keep the profession superior as it should be.

Phillip Will, Jr., President, AIA gave a very interesting talk entitled: "The State of the Profession." Mr. Will said he felt a forum such as this was being held was long overdue and evidence of deep concern of the future of the country and profession.

The first morning was closed by a report given by Mr. Raymond L. Gaio, President.

**Oliver Johnson**

Oliver R. Johnson, 74, prominent architect, of Jamestown, N. Y., died in Rochester Pork Memorial Institute in Buffalo on December 2.

During 1946 Mr. Oliver was connected with architectural offices in the Detroit area, and he had many friends there.

Mr. Johnson was born in Jamestown, New York City. He graduated from Cornell University, a prominent architectural critic opened the afternoon discussion by expounding his philosophy.

**The Forum was closed with a three-hour bus tour of some of the interesting new architectural sites in Washington. Our first stop was the THE GUSCO Operations Office Building by Vincent Kling. From there we went to the Flint Hill Housing Project, which has received several awards including a First Honor Award from the AIA. Then, closing the field trip, we visited the new Danish and Swedish Embassy Buildings.**

Thus, it can be seen that the entire Forum was planned with varied and interesting speaking schedules. We, as representatives from the University of Michigan feel that the Forum was interesting and hopeful that someday many more students might be able to partake in such as this, because it definitely will help prepare for the role we must assume in the profession.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trombau, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Ackley of Lansing; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Frank of Lansing; Mrs. Earl Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hann. Earl Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hutley.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Burtman, George Schulz, Mr. and Mrs. E. Burton Woll, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Gussow, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Bjornson, Mr. and Mrs. Earn Kline, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Wehle, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Walter Scott, Mrs. Koch, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McCalpin, Mr. and Mrs. Adam DeMartino, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Baker

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Cipa, Miss Elsa Fuhrer, Joseph Fuhrer, Mr. and Mrs. Emrys Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Prusinski.

John Koch, Mr. and Mrs. LaVern Nelsen; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Brenneman of Lansing; Lyall Askew, Mr. and Mrs. John Tabor. Mrs. Askew

Mrs. Frederick Wehle, Jr., Ervina Klein, Mrs. Harlan Tilden, Ross Norberry, Mrs. Ervina Klein, Frederick Wehle, Mrs. Donald Johnson, Harlan Tilden, Mrs. Norberry, Donald Johnson

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Ermatinger Retires

NORMAN ERMA TINGER, a highly respected and much-loved figure in Detroit, announced his retirement as of January 1st, 1961. Known to the Architectural Engineers and Mechanical Contractors as “Norm” he has been associated with the construction industry for forty years, the past twenty five with Nelson Company. Prior to this connection he was with Murray W. Sales Division and A. Harvey Sons Company.

During his specialization in the plumbing fixture end of the business, Mr. Ermatinger has made many friends with his valuable assistance in special features and completions of many outstanding construction projects in the Metropolitan area of Detroit and throughout Michigan. One of his outstanding qualities is his quiet and effective workmanship in whatever task he undertakes. His dynamic role in large scale community projects and planning processes has given him a broad background so that he efficiently worked closely with city planners and many types of construction specialists.

On the long list of buildings in which he won personal honors in his profession and special recognition by the American Institute of Architects and its Michigan chapters, are many of the buildings at various universities, namely: Michigan State University, University of Ann Arbor and Wayne State University. Others are schools in Detroit and Dearborn (Detroit and Dearborn Board of Education, architectural and mechanical engineers). On this long list also are included many new and larger hospitals in the Detroit area and most of the outstanding beautiful residences in Detroit. The last and most important is the beautiful Detroit Civic Center including such buildings as the Veteran’s Memorial Building, Ford Auditorium, Old Mariners’ Church and Cobo Hall and Arena.

“Norm”, a native Detroiter and a fine example of a man thoroughly trained for this noted career, embodies a unique combination of talents. His knowhow has been utilized by draftsmen, engineers, professional counselors and businessemen during his many years of loyal participation. His plan for the future is a much needed vacation in California where he and Mrs. Ermatinger intend to make their home. The main topic of discussion from here on in will be his beautiful daughter Mary Ann and his lively and lovable grandchildren. Norm just intends to laze around and enjoy the sunshine and scenery on the west coast.

We’re just a little bit envious. Also, we’re just a little sad in saying “so long” to a man we’ve enjoyed knowing for so many years. We have always respected him for his integrity and regard him with genuine affection. “30” out, Norm, but don’t forget to come back and visit us. There’ll always be a place at our table and in our hearts for you.

Chapter Committees

Appointment of 1960-61 Committees of the Detroit Chapter, American Institute of Architects is announced by Paul B. Brown, Chapter President, as follows, the first named being chairman:

MEMBERSHIP — Bruce H. Smith, Talmage C. Hughes, Arthur K. Hyde, Stuart D. Rodgers, Norman M. Glovinsky.


PUBLIC RELATIONS — William W. Lyman, Jr., Talmage C. Hughes, Suren Pilafian, Clifford N. Wright, Charles C. Hiebke, Seymour J. Levine, Neal E. Cartwell (Associate), Wab Yee (Associate).


REGISTRATION AND APPELSCOR — Frederick J. Schoettley, Maurice E. Hammond, Werner Guenther, Alternate to Apelscor.

PROGRAM — Philip N. Youtz, Gerald G. Diehl, Talmage C. Hughes, Werner Anderson, H. Jack Bowor.


PROPOSED CHANGES IN CHAPTER BY-LAWS — William W. Lyman, Jr., Earl G. Meyer, Talmage C. Hughes.


JOINT AIA-IES COMMITTEE — Ernest J. Dellar, Urban U. Woodhouse.

Ex-Officio Members of ALL Committees — Paul B. Brown.

INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS


Director on Board of Michigan Society of Architects — Philip N. Youtz.

Executive Secretary — Talmage C. Hughes.


Representative for Collaboration with the Department of Education and Research — Herbert W. Johe.


Chapter Representatives to Joint Construction Industry Committee — Robert F. Hastings, Talmage C. Hughes.
AIA Insurance

The A.I.A. Committee on Professional Insurance is convinced that, in the light of recent court decisions, no one can afford the risk of practicing architecture without the protection of professional liability insurance.

Our Committee has always recognized the right of any A.I.A., member to buy insurance from any company but it believes that the real interests of our profession—and of policyholders as individuals—are best served by buying such insurance from one company. There are not enough architects to spread the risk sufficiently to produce moderate rates if this business is divided among several companies.

The policy now offered by the Continental Casualty Company, underwritten and administered by Victor O. Schinnerer & Company, Inc., Investment Building, Washington 5, D. C., by our Committee. We have attempted to devise a program to afford the maximum degree of protection at the lowest permissible cost. Furthermore, by the original agreement with the company, the Committee is continuing its review of the policy rates and claim experience. This review is usually made once a year in the light of actual cases and in consideration of suggestions sent in to the Committee by architects.

If you have any suggestions for improving the policy send them to the Committee's staff representative at the Octagon, J. W. Ranklin, 1735 New York Avenue, N. W., Washington 6, D. C, and they will be brought to the attention of our Committee. If you need further information concerning policies, rates and applications, we suggest that your local agent contact Victor O. Schinnerer & Co., Inc.

"THE ARCHITECT AND ENGINEERS INSTITUTE, INC.," a document prepared by the Georgia Chapter, The American Institute of Architects and the Georgia Engineering Society in cooperation with some thirty other professional societies, has been designated "Document of the Month" by the Chapter Affairs Committee of the AIA.

Its stated purpose is: "To operate a center to educate the public and architects and engineers by display, demonstration and lecture, in all forms of architectural and engineering and scientific progress; to encourage the study of architecture and engineering and related sciences by scholarships, fellowships, research grants, scientific displays, meetings, forums; to provide a common meeting point for all technical societies; and to further public interest in the sciences at all levels through lectures and exhibits. All surplus funds of the Institute will be used for scientific research and to provide scholarships in the scientific fields."

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SPECIFICATION OUTLINE, PUBLISHED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CHAPTER, AIA was designated Document of the Month for November, 1960. George F. Pierce, Jr., AIA, Chairman of the Chapter Affairs Committee, states: "The North Carolina Chapter has crowned several years work with this fine example of joint effort of two building industry organizations. Their own Construction Industry Relations Committee and its Specification Outline Sub-Committee have worked closely with the Carolinas Branch of The Associated General Contractors of America, its Architects Cooperative Committee and Specification Outline Sub-Committee.

"Increased ease of specification reference and bidding, and consistency by all architects are only two of the goals to be realized by this program. It is commended to other chapters as exemplary of the benefits to be obtained from working cooperation with allied organizations."


"Fifty years from now," Mr. Saarinen said, "it is going to look a lot different."

The Finnish-born American architect's point was that, while the 286-foot-long building might now look a bit too bright and shiny for staid Grosvenor Square, the soft and rain of London would soon change all that. The Portland stone will become acceptably dark and even the gold-anodized aluminum trim, a source of criticism, "will tone down some," he said.

His news conference coincided with a "critical appraisal" of the new building by the architectural correspondent of The Times of London. The writer found much that was praiseworthy about the building but felt that it lacked the "adventurousness" that marked some of Mr. Saarinen's other work.

Although partly occupied, the building is still undergoing some interior finishing. Its completion has been delayed for nearly a year by weather and supply conditions. The total cost is said to be about $4,980,000.

Theodore I. Coe

Theodore Irving Coe, FAIA, 88, died November 12 in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Coe went to Washington in 1932 to supervise construction of the Supreme Court Building, as a representative of its architect, Cass Gilbert. After completion of the project, he assumed the dual position of technical secretary of the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects and executive secretary of the United States Construction League.

In 1956 he was given the Edward C. Kemper Award of the AIA and was advanced to the rank of Fellow of the Institute in 1953.

Mr. Coe was born in Waterbury, Conn., and was educated in New England. He went to New York City at the turn of the century to supervise the erection of the Hotel St. Regis for the architect firm of Trowbridge and Livingston. He later became office manager for the architect firm of Howell and Stokes.

Mr. Coe was a member of the Washington Metropolitan Chapter of the AIA, the Washington Society of Engineers, the Engineers' Club of New York City, the Society of Military Engineers and the Construction Specifications Institute, a former chief commander of the United States Power Squadrions, and a member of the Cosmos Club.

He leaves his wife, the former Martha Townsend Brockett, of the home address.

Harold R. Sleeper

Harold R. Sleeper, FAIA, former President of the New York Chapter, AIA, and of the Architectural League, of New York, died in New York City on November 10. He was 67 years of age.

In 1958 he was appointed by New York's Mayor Wagner as a commissioner of the City's Board of Standards and Appeals. He was a distinguished architect, author and lecturer, and he will be remembered for his books, "Architectural Graphic Standards," and "Architectural Specifications."

He leaves his wife, Hildegard Holseth Sleeper and a sister, Mrs. A. B. Shatuck. The home is at 50 Sutton Place South, New York, N.Y.
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Baltazar Korab, photographer, of Birmingham, Mich., won Second Prize in The American Institute of Architects Fourth Exhibition of Architectural Photography, for his photograph of Reynolds Metals Great Lakes Headquarters in Detroit, for which Minoru Yamasaki & Associates of Birmingham, Mich., were the architects.

TRACE CHRISTENSON, JR., AIA, Managing Partner of Good Design Associates of South Bend, has been appointed to serve on the Building Research Institute membership committee as a Regional State Director in charge of the State of Indiana.

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WESTERN MICHIGAN CHAPTER'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE met at the Athelstan Club in Battle Creek on November 21.

Treasurer Robert L. Wold submitted a proposed budget for the coming year, which was approved. It was noted that the Chapter has 106 corporate members after transfer of 43 to the new Mid Michigan Chapter. WM Chapter has 25 associate members.

The application for corporate membership of B. A. Brocker was approved.

The proposal that the renewal fee of the State Board of Registration for Architects, Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors be increased from $15 to $20 for a three-year period was approved.

Members suggested as chairmen for planning meetings in their areas included Robert C. Smith of Kalamazoo, Claude D. Sampson of Jackson, Brice McMillan of Grand Rapids and F. Gordon Cornwell of Traverse City.

To be discussed at the next Executive Committee meeting: Committee appointments, Honor Awards program and Journalism Competition.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR UNILATERAL ACTION on waterfront, manufacturing, and general policy studies were recommended to the November meeting of the Lake Michigan Region Planning Committee of the American Institute of Architects, held at McCormick Place, Chicago, by Ira J. Bach, Commissioner of the Department of City Planning, City of Chicago.

Although the air pollution ordinance of Chicago has probably gone further than others in air pollution control, the Commissioner felt that a great deal of unilateral action was yet to come in the areas of both air pollution and water pollution controlled ordnances and remedies. He felt that only through cooperative action of the professional and administrative bodies concerned with pollution could we act in a definitive manner, for in actuality, no abstract community can control pollution, whether it be by air or by water, unless there is a regional effort in that direction.

Speaking informally to the Committee, the Commissioner related the Chicago area plan to the Lake Michigan Region Area Development and pointed out that by the mid 1960's a "population surge" would act as a rejuvenating agent in the economic, construction, and industrial development of this area. The fact that many "productive" industries using unskilled or semi-skilled labor are decentralizing, while others are going into an automated decentralization, is considerably changing the labor market requirements. However, where service industries, those directly concerned with services to the public, occur within a region, the use of this unskilled or semi-skilled skilled labor force can be utilized to its maximum.

Of vital effect to regional planning is the economical and physical development that works hand in glove with the employment characteristics within a given area. For instance, the Chicago land area is not only the nation's number one producer of heavy metals (steel) but also acts as the transportation hub of the nation. This in effect creates a labor market within this region almost unequalled throughout the world.

The Commissioner was introduced by Robert A. Ward, A.I.A., chairman of the Chicago Chapter A.I.A. Planning Committee and chairman of the Illinois delegation to the committee. Attending on behalf of their respective states were the following architect-planner delegates and alternates to the Institute committee:

Acting as term chairman of the committee was Paul Frank Jermegan, A.I.A., of Mishawaka, Indiana, who, in addition to holding the current chair of the committee, also led the Indiana delegates composed of George N. Hall, A.I.A., and Edward J. Malo, A.I.A. Alternate delegates from Indiana also attending were Vito A. Girone, A.I.A., William G. Rammel, A.I.A., and Forrest R. West, A.I.A.

Also attending from Illinois were Sam C. Sit, A.I.A. and William B. Baire, A.I.A. Alternate delegates in attendance from Illinois were James Arkin, A.I.A. and Mathew Rockwell, A.I.A.

Sylvester Schmitt, A.I.A. represented the Wisconsin delegation. Alternate delegate Albert M. Runtenberg, A.I.A. from Wisconsin also attended.

Edward R. Duffield, A.I.A. chairman of the Western Michigan Delegation had in his group Bernard DeVries, A.I.A. and Kenneth C. Welch, F.A.I.A. The alternate delegates from Western Michigan attending were Donald J. McGrath, A.I.A. and Carl H. Zillmer, A.I.A.

In addition to Mr. Bach, the Advisory Council was also represented by Paul van T. Hedden, representative from the A.I.P. in Illinois and zoning consultant here in Chicago and by Paul Opperman, Executive Director of the Northeastern Illinois Metropolitan Area Planning Commission.

William J. Bachman, A.I.A., President of the Chicago Chapter of the A.I.A. and Gordon A. Belson, A.I.A., President of the Western Michigan Chapter attended the meeting as ex-officio members.
Manager Roy Cain of the Esquire Motel, 25911 Michigan Avenue, says, "In the original 20-unit building, a central heating system would have cost about $10,000 to install—compared to only $3,500 for built-in electric heat. What's more, maintenance costs have been less than $10 during the last three years." Electric heat saves space, too. There's no need for a central furnace room. And with radiant ceiling cables embedded in plaster, as used here, there's no limitation on furniture placement. And it practically cares for itself. It gives guests even, silent heating at a turn of a dial. Its flexibility permits easy expansion without the complications of a limited central heating source. The original 20 units have become 30 and, soon, 20 more units will be opened—all electrically heated, of course. Like to know more about built-in electric heat? Call WO 2-2100, Extension 2223. Outside Metropolitan Detroit, call the local Detroit Edison office.
CLIMAXING A YEAR of planning, preparation, and study is the January 27 charter night banquet which will officially inaugurate the activities of the new Mid-Michigan Chapter. Philip Will, Jr., FAIA, of Perkins and Will, Chicago, currently president of the American Institute of Architects, will present the charter for the chapter to Richard C. Frank, A.I.A., president of the new organization of 44 registered architects.

Membership in the new chapter is drawn from Ingham, Clinton, and Eaton counties. During the first weeks of 1960, architects in this area met to discuss the practicability of forming a new chapter in order to better serve the profession and the community. Growing numbers of architects in the Lansing area also prompted formation of the new group, who hoped to encourage more participation in professional activities on behalf of all architects in this localized area.

In May, 1960 the newly-formed group meeting under the name of the Lansing Association of Architects asked the Western Michigan chapter for release of the three counties, which was approved. Election of officers followed, along with a regular schedule of meetings.

The board of directors of the American Institute of Architects meeting in Las Vegas, Nevada in September, 1960, officially granted a charter to the group which then became known as the Mid-Michigan chapter.

Officers who will be officially recognized at the January 27 meeting have served the new chapter since its inception. Richard C. Frank, A.I.A., of Lansing is president; J. Wesley Olds, A.I.A., Okemos, vice-president; Charles W. Strieby, A.I.A., East Lansing, secretary; Richard H. Stuckman, A.I.A., Lansing, treasurer; Clarke E. Harris, A.I.A., M.S.A., director; Charles V. Opdyke, A.I.A., Clark R. Ackley, A.I.A., and William D. Black, A.I.A., all of Lansing.

Charter night activities have been scheduled for the Lansing Civic Center to which leading city and state officials, chapter presidents, M.S.A. officers and civic leaders have also been invited to attend. In addition to the presentation of the charter, Philip Will is principal speaker for the evening.

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THE SAGINAW VALLEY CHAPTER did not hold a regular monthly meeting and the activity that transpired took place at the home of our new President, Daniel W. Toshach in the form of an Executive Board meeting.

The first order of business was the transfer of duties and records to the new Saginaw Valley Chapter officers.

In attendance for this, their final meeting as members of Saginaw Valley, were President Clifford E. Gibbs and Secretary Robert S. Gazall of the Flint Chapter. The official severance becomes effective January 1, 1961, and on January 13, 1961 the new Chapter will hold a Charter Party Dinner Dance to which members of the Saginaw Valley were cordially invited by attending officers.

The Saginaw Valley Chapter Board and Members wish the new Flint Chapter a successful future.

Clarence L. Waters was appointed to fill the position as our second member on the Board of Apelles. He joins our other member from the Valley, Paul A. Brysselbout.

The presentation of the President’s Program for the forthcoming year and the formation of the following committees were approved:

- Public Relations Committee, Awards Committee, MSA Bulletin Committee, AGC-AIA Committee, Tri-County Planning Commission Committee and Building Preservation Committee.

The Chapter Affairs Committee was dissolved and its duties were resolved to the Board.

With the public very much aware of historical building preservation, it was felt that the Chapter should use their knowledge and talents to help guide the public on the quality and historical Architectural significance of buildings. The first step in this direction was taken by the Board in the form of a statement expressing our belief that the Webber Mansion in Saginaw was not of the best Architectural traditions of its time and did not lend itself as a suitable building to be a living Museum. This statement was released to the newspapers and to all interested groups in Saginaw.

This Board, as all new Boards do, expressed optimism at the work to be accomplished and desire that we all work to conquer those “new frontiers.”

The next Chapter meeting will be held on January 21, 1961.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS are highlights of the Saginaw Valley Chapter, A.I.A. Meeting of November 21, 1960 held at the Amerwood Restaurant, Saginaw, Michigan:

1. The Board of Directors of the Michigan Society of Architects met with the Chapter for their Annual Meeting in the Chapter Area. The attendance, both on part of the Society and the Chapter shattered all previous records. More than sixty members participated. President Charles A. OBryon presented all Members of the Board of Directors of the MSA. They were duly acknowledged and praised for the fine work that they are carrying out on the State level. President OBryon reviewed the purpose and functions of the Chapter and the State Society.

2. The new Flint Area Chapter extended an invitation to the Board of Directors of the Michigan Society of Architects and to the Corporate and Associate Membership of the Saginaw Valley Chapter to attend their Charter Party, January 13, 1961 at the Flint Golf Club in Flint. With the Flint Area Chapter achieving status, the entire Flint Area Membership now functions in their own right, with nineteen Corporate Members and Eighteen Associate Members.

3. The results of Saginaw Valley Chapter election of officers was made known by the Executive Committee. The new Officers are as follows:

   President—Daniel W. Toshach, Saginaw.

   Vice President—Jackson B. Hallett, Midland.

   Secretary—Leslie D. Tincknell, Saginaw.

   Treasurer—Eugene C. Starke, Bay City.

   MSA Directors—Vincent T. Boyle, Midland; Paul A. Brysselbout, Bay City.

4. Mr. Alden Dow, FAIA of Midland presented a film on his recent trip to Japan. As always, Mr. Dow presented an excellent program and with guests and members present for the Chapter meeting, along with the fine food, that the Amerwood Restaurant is noted for, the Saginaw Valley Chapter has never performed better on such an occasion. Mr. Dow personally took all the film of his trip which he made last spring. He was accompanied by his lovely wife and they spent several weeks touring Japan and visiting not only items of Architectural interest but also the many friends that he has in Japan. Some of the newer buildings were reviewed as well as many older type buildings. Both Mr. and Mrs. Dow were intrigued not only with the Japanese countryside and their gardens but with their traditions in dance and religion, their costumes, their habits, and the fact that they seem to be people who would pursue their leisure with time for good thinking.

   -ROBERT S. GAZALL, AIA
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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES of the officers of the new Flint Area Chapter of AIA are as follows:

PRESIDENT—CLIFFORD E. GIBBS, AIA

Mr. Gibbs received his architectural education at the College of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan, graduating in 1952. His training was received in the offices of Saarinen & Associates, Inc., and Gibbs & Tomblinson, Inc. He became registered in Michigan in 1955 and entered private practice. He was Vice-President of the Saginaw Valley Chapter in 1959 and was chairman of the Michigan Conference for the Michigan Society of Architects this year. He has also served as a Director on the Michigan Society of Architects. Currently he is practicing Architecture as a partner of Gibbs and Tomblinson, Architects with offices in Flint.

VICE-PRESIDENT—THOMAS J. SEDGEWICK, AIA

Mr. Sedgewick received his Architectural education at the University of Detroit, graduating in 1952. His training was received in Detroit as well as the Flint architectural offices of A. Charles Jones and MacKenzie, Knuth & Klein. He became registered in Michigan in 1957 and entered private practice. He was formerly a member of the Saginaw Valley Chapter and Chairman of the Association of Flint Area Architects. Mr. Sedgewick was recently appointed by Governor Williams to the State Board of Registration for Architects, Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors. Currently he is practicing as a principal of Sedgewick, Sellers & Associates with offices in Flint.

SECRETARY—ROBERT S. GAZALL, AIA

Mr. Gazall received his architectural education at the College of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan, graduating in 1959. His training was received in the Flint office of MacKenzie, Knuth & Klein Architects, Inc. He became registered in Michigan in 1959 and entered practice as a principal member with MacKenzie, Knuth & Klein. He was formerly the Treasurer in 1958 and Secretary in 1960 for the Saginaw Valley Chapter and Secretary of the Association of Flint Area Architects. Mr. Gazall carries a Certificate with the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards. Currently he is practicing as a principal of Sedgewick, Sellers & Associates, Architects with offices in Flint.

TREASURER—GERALD E. HARBURN, AIA

Mr. Harburn received his architectural education at the College of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan, graduating in 1952, and furthered his studies in graduate work for a Master's Degree in Architecture in 1956. He has received his training at the Flint office of MacKenzie, Knuth & Klein Architects, Inc., and Gibbs & Tomblinson, and the Birmingham office of Swain & Associates and the Ann Arbor office of George Brigham, Architect. He became registered in Michigan in 1956. He was formerly a member of the Saginaw Valley Chapter. Mr. Harburn carries a Certificate with the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards. Currently Mr. Harburn is employed at the office of MacKenzie, Knuth & Klein Architects, Inc.

MSA DIRECTOR (One Year)—

AUDLIN H. NELSON, AIA

Mr. Nelson received his architectural education at the College of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan, graduating in 1949. His training was received in the Flint office of S. A. Nurm, Architect. He became registered in Michigan in 1952 and entered practice as a principal member with S. A. Nurm, Architect. He was formerly Secretary in 1957, Vice-President in 1958 and President in 1959 of the Saginaw Valley Chapter, and the past two years has served as Chapter Director with the Michigan Society of Architects. Currently he is practicing as a principal of Nurm, Nelson & Associates, Architects with offices in Flint.

MSA DIRECTOR (Two Years)—

JAMES E. TOMBLINSON, AIA

Mr. Tomblinson received his architectural education at the College of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan, graduating in 1943. His training was received in many offices ranging from North Africa to California, and yet receiving training locally in Flint offices. He became registered in Michigan in 1957 and entered practice with E. Gibbs, Architect in Flint. He was formerly a member of the Saginaw Valley Chapter. Mr. Tomblinson carries a Certificate with the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards. Currently Mr. Tomblinson is practicing as a partner of Gibbs and Tomblinson, Architects, with offices in Flint.

THE NEW FLINT CHAPTER, American Institute of Architects, has extended an invitation to its membership, the membership of the Saginaw Valley Chapter and the officers of the other Michigan Chapters and the Michigan Society of Architects for their Charter Party Dinner Dance on Friday evening, January Thirteenth, 1961, in the Ballroom of the Flint Golf Club. Flint: Cocktails at Seven O'clock and Dinner at Eight-Thirty O'clock. Activities are Semi-Formal. Guests have been invited to present the Program from both National and State-wide levels.

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Next Meeting

ALDEN B. DOW, FAIA of Midland, Mich. will present a film on his recent trip to Japan, at the Detroit Chapter, AIA meeting in the Rackham Building Jan. 18.

It is a 16 mm color film, all taken through an anamorphic lens, which results in a wide-screen (16 feet) picture. Sound has been dubbed into the film and all of the sound is authentic Japanese music.

These pictures vary from the modern architecture of Japan to the old houses and gardens of Kyoto. The film has good variety and is an interesting glimpse of Japanese life.

Mr. Dow personally took all of the pictures on a trip he and his wife Vada took last spring. The Dows were intrigued not only by the Japanese countryside and gardens but with the traditions in the dance and religion, the costumes, habits and the fact that the Japanese people seem to enjoy life immensely.

The Chapter is considering offering a substantial prize for the one who estimates closest the cost of Mr. Dow’s equipment. Suffice it to say, Alden, in this film, has outdone the professionals.

Remember, “Cocktails” at 6:00, Dinner at 6:30 and the program at 8:00 p.m. Be sure and bring the ladies — they’ll love it!

Last Meeting

Detroit Chapter, AIA heard Mr. Arthur T. Row, Jr., Assistant Executive Director of Philadelphia’s City Planning Commission speak on “The Physical Development Plan for the City of Philadelphia, at its Nov. 17 meeting.

Illustrating his talk with many excellent slides, Mr. Row gave a good account of what his City is doing, with the help of citizens’ participation.

Our own Charles A. Blessing, AIA, City Planner and Director of Detroit’s City Planning Commission, in introducing the speaker, paid tribute to Philadelphia’s planning accomplishments, designating that City as being in the forefront, and an example for others.

Eighteen planners from Detroit and its neighboring cities were guests of the Chapter and we were proud to present such a program.

THE INDEFATIGABLE CONGRESS OF MASTER CRAFTSMEN, whose membership is culled from the more jovial and convivial members of the architectural profession and its related components, held its annual Christmas party and luncheon on December 20th at The Harmonie Club in Detroit. Gifts of “great value” were exchanged with much alacrity among those present and many a libation was poured in the name of Christmas spirit. Over 50 attended.

ARCHITECTS HELP THEMSELVES

HERE ARE SOME TIPS for architects, particularly in the Detroit area, who would like to receive greater public recognition for their work.

If the owner of a new building appears eager to have it receive publicity in the press, volunteer to prepare the material for release, subject to the owner’s approval.

This material should consist of the following:

1. 8 x 10 glossy photograph(s)
2. Descriptive text (not too long)
3. A ‘cut line’ containing name, location and type of building, architect’s and general contractor’s names.

Submit above material to the real estate editor of your local newspaper, not the city editor. Obtain the real estate editor’s name and address the material to him personally. This is important.

The real estate editor of The DETROIT NEWS is Ernest Baumgarth; of The DETROIT FREE PRESS, John Woerpel. Both papers have a Friday Real Estate Section for which the deadline is Wednesday noon. Don’t wait for the deadline; get your material in by Monday noon— WILLIAM LYMAN, Chairman, Public Relations Committee, Detroit Chapter AIA.

JOHN J. ANDREWS, senior electrical engineer of Smith, Hinchman and Grylls Associates, Inc., Detroit architectural and Engineering firm, has been named an Associate, it was announced by Robert F. Hastings, Executive Vice President.

Andrews, who holds a degree of bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from University of Oklahoma, has been a member of the SHG staff since 1950.

MRS. MARGUERITE WILDENHAIN will be the speaker on a program sponsored by the Michigan Potters’ Association, in the Lecture Hall of The Detroit Institute of Arts Friday, January 13 at 8:00 P.M.

Mrs. Wildenhain, an internationally known potter, was born in France, is now established in her own school at Pond Farm, California. She has lectured and conducted workshops in educational institutions throughout the United States. Her philosophy is embodied in her recently published book, “Pottery: Form and Expression.”

Tickets at one dollar each may be obtained from Mrs. Percy Newman, 18016 Pennington Drive, Detroit 21, UNiversity 2-2760, or from the wife of Joseph L. Cyr, AIA, 10811 Farmington Road, Livonia, GArfield 7-3334.

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The 1961 Draftsmen’s Competition

(Covers Work Done During 1960)

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The purpose of this Competition is to stimulate greater interest and pride in the techniques of architectural and engineering drafting and particularly to emphasize the need for quality of line, clarity of dimensioning, simplicity of lettering, completeness, consciousness of notations and details, good composition and logical arrangement of sheet.

The Sheet Metal Contractors Association of Detroit Industry Fund was developed in 1957 to build good public relations for the sheet metal industry by encouraging the best workmanship, trade knowledge and contract performance for architects, designers, contractors and building owners. The Sheet Metal Contractors Industry Fund feels that by promoting excellence in drafting they will benefit the entire building industry and thereby enhance goodwill for the sheet metal industry.

As evidence of their sincerity in this direction the Sheet Metal Contractors Industry Fund is sponsoring the Michigan Society of Architects 1961 Draftsmen’s Competition by furnishing $1000. in Cash Prizes.

Members of MSA—AIA encourage your draftsmen to enter this Competition. Their interest will stimulate quality consciousness in your office.

Draftsmen—you are urged to participate and share in the big cash prizes to be awarded. The competition covers work done during 1960. Entries must be in by midnight March 15, 1961.

PRIZES . . . 4 First Prizes each $125. and 4 Second Prizes each $75. Four categories—ARCHITECTURAL . . . STRUCTURAL . . . MECHANICAL . . . ELECTRICAL—8 cash prizes PLUS A GRAND PRIZE OF $200.

ELIGIBILITY: All architects, engineers and draftsmen, who are employed in the State of Michigan by an architect or an architectural-engineering consultant or consulting firm who may be retained by an architect and whose name appears on the competitor’s entry in association with an architect or architectural-engineering firm, is eligible for the Competition. Each competitor must provide himself with an endorser who shall be a member of the Michigan Society of Architects. In the case of a person employed by an architectural or architectural-engineering firm the endorser shall be a principal of the firm, or in the case of a person employed by an engineering consultant or consulting firm, the endorser shall be the architect or principal of the architectural or architectural-engineering firm for whom the work is done. The endorser and competitor shall each sign the entry form vouching for the eligibility of the competitor.

JURY:

The following members of leading Michigan schools of architecture and design: (1) The chairman of the Competition Committee; (2) two members of the Sheet Metal Contractors Association of Detroit Industry Fund; (3) members of the C.S.I. and A.G.C.—Detroit; (4) staff members of leading Michigan schools of architecture and design; (5) members of the Detroit, Flint Area, Mid-Michigan, Saginaw Valley and Western Michigan AIA Chapters comprising the Michigan Society of Architects.

Great Lakes AIA Conference

The annual meeting of the Great Lakes Region of the American Institute of Architects will be held February 9, 10 and 11, 1961 in historic Lexington, Kentucky. The Association of Student Chapters of the Great Lakes District representing eleven collegiate Schools of Architecture will be included in the meeting, to be held at the Phoenix Hotel and at the University of Kentucky.

Registration opens on the mezzanine floor of the Phoenix at 1 p.m., February 9 and will continue through 6 p.m., Friday, February 10th. Registration fees are: Corporate member, $10.00; Associate member, $5.00 and student members $1.50. There will be no charge for wives attending.

Thursday's events will include the pre-conference meeting of Chapter Presidents and National Committeemen of the Great Lakes Region, AIA. A cocktail hour will be held at historic Hunt-Morgan House prior to dinner for delegates and their wives at the homes of local architects. Friday morning, the program will include addresses by AIA President Phil Will, Walter Netsche, Partner-in-charge of Skidmore, Owings and Merrill Chicago office, and Arthur Kraft, sculptor from Kansas City, Missouri. The banquet will be held Friday evening, with Alexander S. Cochran, Architect, of Baltimore, Maryland as the principal speaker. Saturday morning will include committee meetings at breakfast, a talk by James Lucas of the Herman Miller Furniture Company and a tour of the feature exhibit of contemporary furniture at the Fine Arts Gallery, University of Kentucky. There has been splendid cooperation with ten contemporary furniture firms, who have contributed a select few of their very best and most recent pieces for exhibition. Also on the program will be a panel discussion with the speakers of the conference as members.

At the luncheon meeting Saturday noon, Samuel T. Hurst, Dean of the College of Architecture and Applied Arts, Auburn University will summarize the conference proceedings.

During the business meeting the ladies will be entertained with a Coffee, tours of the local points of interest and a luncheon at Carnahan House, the University of Kentucky's famous Guest House situated among the bluegrass horse farms.

Lexington's many points of interest include the world-famous horse farms and areas of historical significance such as the campus of Transylvania College, the first college west of the Allegheny Mountains, which was established in Lexington, while Cincinnati was still a tent colony on the banks of the Ohio River. Also worthwhile is Ashland, home of Henry Clay, Grant Park and the John Hunt Morgan House, one of the landmarks of Kentucky's tumultuous and confused participation in the Civil War; especially pertinent now in view of the beginning of the National Centennial Civil War Observation. Of additional interest is the pioneer fort reconstruction of Old Fort Harrod at nearby Harrodsburg and the quaint Shaker town.

Tours of the horse farms, and Shaker town, and religious community started around 1814 are being organized and will be held on Saturday afternoon if pre-conference response is great enough.

PUBLIC RELATIONS chairman of the various chapters and state societies will hold a workshop at the Phoenix Hotel Thursday afternoon, February 9 and at breakfast Saturday, February 11.

DEPRESSION!

A MAN LIVED BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD
and sold hot dogs
He was hard of hearing, so he had no radio.
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But he sold good hot dogs.
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He stood by the side of the road and cried.
"Get a delicious hot dog, mister."
And people bought.
He increased his meat and bun orders and he bought a bigger stove to take care of his trade.
He got his son home from college to help him. And then it happened.
His son said, "Father, haven't you been listening to the radio or reading the papers? There's a big depression on. The international situation is terrible, and the domestic situation is even worse."
Whereupon, the father thought, "Well my son has been to college. He listens to the radio and reads the papers, so he ought to know."
So, the father cut down his bun order, took down his advertising signs, and no longer bothered to stand on the highway to sell hot dogs.
His hot dog sales fell almost overnight.
"You were right, son," the father said.
"We are certainly in the middle of a great depression. — Suggested by Willi Bendlin.

Thomas J. Sedgewick, AIA, member of Michigan's State Board of Registration for Architects, Professional Engineers and Landscape Architects (left) is shown with his brother Charles (center), who recently became registered as a professional Engineer. Charles is being congratulated by E. R. Moore, Manager of Engineering for The Detroit Edison Company, where Charles is employed.

MSA-SCMA Industry Fund Draftsmen's Competition . . . Total $1000, in Cash Prize. Read about it in this issue of the Bulletin.
Arthur O. Moran, Jr., AIA, General Chairman of the 47th Annual MSA Convention Committee, to be held at the Sheraton Cadillac Hotel, April 5, 6 and 7, has stated that the planning of this annual event is well under way and was begun early to insure its anticipated success.

The Wednesday night Rouser, now to be annually referred to as "A. I. Antics", and the Thursday night Banquet, which this year will feature a Casino type arrangement, will both feature top professional entertainment, which is going to have those attending buzzing for weeks. The Friday night Michigan Building Industry Banquet Committee will announce its plans in the near future.

But all will not be play . . . . valuable educational programs will be available for all who attend the seminars on Thursday and Friday. Our Convention Topic this year is the all important field of "URBAN RENEWAL".

The objective of the Program Committee planning for 1961 Convention, is the establishment of an annual seminar dealing with a subject of current interest to all members of our profession and related fields and drawing outstanding national figures as participants on seminar panels. It is hoped that this seminar and those that might follow it in the future will be events of national significance in the profession and related fields.

These seminars will be of sufficient interest to draw all MSA members to the Convention, as well as representatives from governmental agencies, investment banking and real estate interests, from the American Institute of Planners and others interested in the subject matter.

Thursday, April 6, 1961 — Seminar I — 2:00 P.M.
Topic: "Tools for Urban Renewal"

This session will feature representatives of the field of finance, law, government and the developer, in a meeting which will define the scope of Urban Renewal, the problems that face us, and the contribution that is being made or should be made by each of these four interests.

Friday, April 7, 1961 — Seminar II — 10:00 A.M.
Topic: "The Architect's Role in Urban Renewal"

This session of the seminar will feature four Architects of national reputation with broad experience in this field, discussing the Architect's approach to urban renewal and the problems which face him.

Friday April 7, 1961 — Seminar III — 2:00 P.M.
Topic: "The Image of the City"

This session will feature Architects, Planners, Sculptors, discussing the kind of city which is the objective of the urban renewal.

The new location last year, which allowed better general facilities and exhibit areas, is again being increased to care for our expanding convention. The coveted Bermuda trip for two, will again be offered going to the Architect holding the lucky ticket drawn from those deposited during visits to the exhibits. Added this year will be an exhibit of student work from our state Architectural schools.

The Draftsmen's Competition will be repeated also this year. This feature is attracting an increasing amount of interest each year.

It is the hope of the 1961 Convention Committee that all MSA members and Architects, will treat their annual convention as the culmination of their years activities, as an opportunity to obtain valuable information on topical subjects and as an event which reflects the attitude of their profession and the contribution it makes in our society.

Watch for more information in forthcoming MSA Bulletin issues about your convention.
Principals in Recent Detroit Chapter Meeting Held At Rackham Memorial


WINNERS in The Ruberoid Co., Mastic Tile Division, Second Annual Architects' Competition, left to right: John V. Sheoris; Co-winners of $10,000 first prize Edward Colbert and Alfred J. Petrilli with the sponsor's Midwest Sales Manager Lowell Stone standing between them; Peter Tarapata of Tarapata & MacMahon.

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BY

EDNA MORISON

THE NEW YEAR has arrived with all its vim, vigor and vitality, celebrations and resolutions. There is a certain feeling of "let down" after the hustle and bustle of the busy holiday season, but I always like to think the future holds many promising and good things in store for us, and in order for us to enjoy these things, I believe it is necessary for us to think of the future as coming just a day at a time. Dr. Welthy H. Fisher, at our November meeting, stated it wisely when she said, "In looking to the future, be sure the means are as pure as the ends you seek."

WALD is looking forward to the New Year with much enthusiasm for our Biddle House project. Our goal is to have it completed by August 1961 in time for the Mid-Summer Conference. Some time ago I promised a report on the Project Committee which has undertaken the work of re-decorating and re-furnishing Biddle House now that it has been restored.

The Project Committee members are as follows: Mrs. Frederick J. Schoettley, Chairman; Mrs. Frederick W. Fuger, Mrs. Suren Pilafian, Mrs. William Muschenheim, Mrs. LaVern J. Nelson, Mrs. Herbert W. Johe, Mrs. James B. Morison, and WALD President, Mrs. Phillip N. Youtz serving as Executive Director.

In September the Committee toured Greenfield Village doing research work on decorating, draperies, furniture, and accessories—a good way to get bitten by the "Antique Bug" and start a collection of some kind.

In October, Edna Morison with the help of Mr. Carl Nordberg, Superintendent of Mackinac Island, checked the original inventory of furniture stored in a barn at the Fort on the Island. Good basic pieces were found to be in fair condition; the remaining pieces will be a "Labor of Love" to restore.

Meetings held in November in Detroit and December in Ann Arbor followed by a sandwich lunch at President Youtz's home, helped to further the plans.

The Annual Christmas Bazaar Committee working with the Project Committee sponsored the second Annual Christmas Bazaar in December at the Women's City Club. It was a tremendous success and the proceeds will be added to the Biddle House Fund.

The Annual Christmas Bazaar Committee members were as follows: Mrs. William H. Odell, Chairman; Mrs. George Diehl, Mrs. Gerald Diehl, Mrs. Carlisle H. Wilson, Mrs. Amedeo Leone, Mrs. LaVerne J. Nelson, Mrs. Hurless E. Bankes, and Mrs. William M. Fernald.

Bouquets to all of you gals for a job well done.

Some of the members attending the Bazaar included Mrs. Lyall H. Askew, Mrs. Hurless E. Bankes, Mrs. Robert Blakeley; Mrs. Alton Bolts, from Ann Arbor; Mrs. George Diehl, Mrs. Clair W. Ditchy; Mrs. Joseph Dworski and guest; Mrs. William M. Fernald, Mrs. Frederick Fuger, Mrs. Werner Guenther, Mrs. Arthur K. Hyde, Mrs. Herbert W. Johe, from Ann Arbor; Mrs. Amedeo Leone; Mrs. Earl Meyers, just back from Bermuda; Mrs. Andrew R. Morison; Mrs. James B. Morison, and guest; Mrs. LaVerne J. Nelson; Mrs. Edwin F. Nott and guests; Mrs. William H. Odell, Mrs. C. William Palmer; Mrs. Walter B. Sanders from Ann Arbor; Mrs. Frederick Schoettley, Mrs. Frederick Sevald, Mrs. Carlisle Wilson, Mrs. Barton D. Wood; Mrs. Phillip N. Youtz from Ann Arbor; and Mrs. Clarence Roy.

TRAVEL NOTES: Professor Ralph W. Hammett toured the University of Bucharest in Rumania along with eighty other architects. He represented the University of Michigan, and according to my "grapevine facts" everyone was treated royally. Mrs. Hammett met him in Athens, Greece before they returned to Rome and more study at the Academy.

Best wishes to all for a happy and prosperous New Year. A fitting resolution for the New Year from Benjamin Franklin's Autobiography: "Resolve to perform what you ought; perform without fail what you resolve."

SHOSHANA GERSHOM

The February 21st meeting is scheduled for the Women's City Club of Detroit. A lecture will be given by Shoshana Gershon, Attache in Charge of Women's Affairs, Israeli Embassy, Washington, D. C. on "Building a Nation" and "Restoring a Country," illustrations by Mrs. Pota Combias.
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Expand Courses in 1961 February Spring Semester of Highly Successful Construction Management Program Sponsored by Exchange

THE HIGHLY ENTHUSIASTIC reception and acceptance of the four construction management courses sponsored by the Exchange and offered through the Division of Adult Education, Wayne State University—University of Michigan last fall has prompted the Education Committee to make an expanded program available to construction executives in the 1961 spring semester.

In the semester starting in September, 106 persons, representing nearly all phases of management in the construction industry, enrolled in the four courses of Basic Accounting and Controls in Construction; Advanced Accounting and Financial Management; Construction Law; and Business Management.

Each course is taught by capable instructors recruited from industry or the University staff. In addition, some sessions include guest instructors who are experts in a particular field. Specific application of the subject to the construction industry is stressed in all courses.

The courses offered in this program do not carry university credits and there are no entrance requirements. They have been developed for the sole purpose of offering top level administrators in the construction industry an opportunity to develop more proficiency in one or more management aspects. It is felt that this is a much needed innovation in the field of continuing education as related to the construction industry, and to the best of our knowledge, it is the only program of its kind available anywhere in the country. The initial success of the program is illustrated by comments of the students enrolled in the fall semester.

To determine if improvements or expansion of the program was desirable, questionnaires were distributed in each of the classes. Members were asked for their opinion of the subject matter, the instructors and other pertinent points. They were also asked to list their comments and suggestions.

Nearly 70% rated both the subject matter and the instructor as "excellent" in each class. The others rated the subject matter and the instructor "good".

Some typical comments were: "Interesting, informative and practical instruction"—"Instructor stimulates a lot of individual thought"—"Knows his subject well; clear, concise and forceful manner"—"very good, continue for sure"—"Excellent idea having speakers from various fields associated with the construction industry"—"Instructor does fine job of presenting material; also has excellent background for broadening scope of material"—"If I had had the Advanced Accounting course 3 to 5 years ago I would be ahead several thousands of dollars now"—"Courses are good and fulfill a need in the construction industry"—"Would like to see courses continued year after year."

Many others submitted suggestions for additional courses. As a result, in the spring semester beginning in February, Basic Accounting and Controls in Construction will be split into two courses, Financial Management will be taught separately from Advanced Accounting, and Credit Management for Construction will be offered for the first time.

Complete course descriptions and information on enrollment for the 1961 Spring Semester will be mailed to the Exchange membership. However, participation is not limited to members of the Exchange. It is felt that by offering all administrators in construction an opportunity to improve themselves, it will ultimately benefit the entire industry and the public. Several persons representing architectural and engineering firms are presently enrolled and a few commute from outside areas to attend classes.

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AFTER SEVERAL DECADES of construction inactivity, Grand Rapids is on the threshold of a new era. The downtown development program sponsored by the Downtown Development Committee of Grand Rapids is rapidly reaching a climax. The dramatic success of this program can be attributed directly to the support and interest shown by public-spirited citizens.

To date, the following private groups have supported the program wholeheartedly: The Downtown Council of Grand Rapids; The Grand Rapids Metropolitan Architectural League; The West Michigan Society of Professional Engineers; The Mayor's Downtown Development Committee; The City Commission, and many service fraternal groups.

The formal support has been augmented by continuing efforts on the part of private, interested citizens.

The net result of this support has been indicated by the success of the city in having the first nonresidential urban renewal project in the country approved by the federal government.

The City Commission has moved forcefully to implement the program by initiating the establishment of a public buildings authority.

The voters of the City of Grand Rapids responded by granting a 1.75 millage increase in the election of August 2, 1960. The program is just about "off the ground."

In order to assure the successful completion of such an ambitious program it is essential that the base of support be broadened and that more and more public and private groups be encouraged to participate in the overall program.

Once the program is under way, the total effects will be felt by all segments of the city's economy: A tremendous boost in building and construction activity, both public and private; an increased need for all types of professional services; a strengthening of the competitive position of the City of Grand Rapids with respect to new commercial and industrial development.

This is a program which will "trigger" new development over the entire metropolitan area because of its imagination and expression of faith in the future of the city.

In short, with proper support, the new Grand Rapids can become a reality in a relatively short period rather than the many decades required for earlier improvements.

Progress is the keynote. Planning is the process. Promotion is the preliminary. Cooperation is the keystone.

In October of 1960 a group from the Downtown Development Committee approached the Builders and Traders Exchange for their cooperation in raising funds for the construction of a scale model of Downtown Grand Rapids, to show how it looks now and how it may look after development is completed. This model will be 51" x 60" and will be scaled to one inch to each 100 feet and will be used for public display purposes and by city officials to interest private developers in our central business district.

The Builders and Traders Exchange, through its member firms, raised over $800.00 toward the purchase of this model, which will be completed in about 10 weeks. This is another civic function of the Exchange in its effort to further the cause of making Grand Rapids a better place in which to live.

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What Price Loose Specs?

CERTAIN CLAUSES USED ALL TOO FREQUENTLY by specification writers tend to impair the quality of specifications. It would be instructive to know how much of a premium owners are paying for such loose writing.

Among the clauses known to lead to trouble are the notorious "or equal"; "as approved by the contracting officer"; and "as directed by the contracting officer." None of these is really necessary. An experienced specification writer should be able to attain the same objectives with more specific language.

For example, on work for private industry, naming of acceptable brands is always preferable to "or equal." On government work a result almost as good as giving brand names can be achieved by stating the performance standards that have to be met. Similarly, it is better to list the characteristics of an installation that will meet the approval of the contracting officer than to state vaguely that materials and equipment to be installed should be "as approved by the contracting officer." In addition, the need for approval often leads to construction delays and adds to costs.

In particular, the words "as directed by the contracting officer" should never be used. How is a contractor to know in advance what he is going to be asked to do and how can he estimate the cost of doing it? And how can he plan the work if he doesn’t know how many times the contracting officer may change his mind during its execution.

Such clauses may sometimes achieve desired results, but they almost always make construction more costly than necessary. If they don’t encourage contractors to insert a contingency fee in their bids, they can be a basis for extras or lawsuits. They can also provide a loophole that permits a contractor to substitute materials or equipment inferior to those desired by the designers.

Perhaps if a price could be put on loose specifications, the bad writing practices would stop.

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Don’t Be a Donkey

NOW IT CAME TO PASS, a great Prophet once addressed a herd of Donkeys:

"What would a donkey require for a trip of three days?"—and they answered:

"Six bundles of hay and three bags of dates."

"That soundeth like a fair price, but I have, for only one of you, a three day journey, and I cannot give six bundles of hay and three bags of dates, who will go for less?"

Behold all stood forth.

One would go for six bundles of hay and one bag of dates.

Another for only three bundles and one bag.

Now one especially long eared donkey agreed to go for only one bundle of hay.

Whereupon the prophet replied:

"Thou are a disgrace to the herd, and an ass. Thou canst not live for three days on one bundle of hay, much less undertake the journey and profit thereby."

"True," replied the ass, hanging his long ears in shame, "but I wanted to get the order."

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THE GREAT LAKES FABRICATORS ASSOCIATION held an informational breakfast session for architects and engineers on November 22nd at the Sheraton-Cadillac hotel in Detroit.

It was the second in a series sponsored by the Association to keep architects and engineers informed on current design, developments, and economies in the structural steel field.

An interesting and thought-provoking motion picture entitled "Men, Steel and Earthquakes" was shown by Bethlehem Steel Co. It depicted the essential use of steel in the construction of our buildings as a safeguard against earthquake destruction possible anywhere in the world. It showed by example the results of those buildings so constructed and those not, after an earthquake, and the constant efforts being made to study the latest techniques in steel fabrication to increase building preservation against the most severe vibrations.

Robert E. Wilmot, Manager Structural Shape Sales of Bethlehem Steel Co., gave a talk on "Recent Development in Structural Steel."

At the speakers table besides Wilmot were Russell Curtis, Jack Behen, David Pittman, Walter Willard, Clair Smith, James O'Neill, Dan Lind and Ralph Smith.

Among those at the meeting were William H. Odell, LaVern J. Nelsen, John O. Blair, Neil E. Warren, Carlisle Wilson, Walter F. Sheets, Arthur O. A. Schmidt, Jack Mills, Erroll R. Clark, Robert F. Calder, Frank H. Wright, Robert W. Yokom, Byron H. Becker, Gaylord Watts, Ben Wood, Albert E. Schoerger, William Covey, Carl A. Scheutler, Frank Klaetzke, Ralph Eldred and many others.

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DRAFTSMEN . . . Have you entered the MSA-SMCAD Industry Fund Draftsmen's Competition? $1000. in cash prizes. Complete details in this issue.
"PUBLIC RELATIONS," in the Scandinavian language, has no equivalent, says Inger-lise Christiansen, deputy manager of PR for the Denmark Region of Scandinavian Airlines, so this is how it is explained.

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But if the girl seeks him out because she has heard from others what a splendid person he is, that is "Public Relations."

REP. HOWARD W. ROBINSON (R., N. Y.) made a speech recently at a Kiwanis Club luncheon. The chairman, noting the crowd of photographers gathering in front of the rostrum as Robinson arose to begin, admonished:

"Don't take his picture while he is speaking. Shoot him before he starts."

"WHY DOES A NATION—a whole people, and in the case of the Roman Empire, almost the whole of a civilization—fall into a steady decline that eventually means its total disappear-

ance from the stage of world history?

"You can find the answer in history—for in every case there seems to be a pattern, for the rise to success, for the fall to failure.

"As I see it, the historical cycle has always run: From bondage to spiritual faith; from spiritual faith to courage and then to freedom; from freedom to abundance, from abundance to selfishness; from selfishness to complacency; from complacency to apathy; from apathy to dependency, and from dependency back to bondage once more."—H. W. Pren-
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