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ARThUR WHITCOMB, INC. HOSTS TO NEW ENGLAND
CONCRETE MASONRY ASSOCIATION AT KEENE

Visiting members of the New England Concrete Masonry Association were not treated to much of a fall foliage display in their recent visit to the Monadnock Region, however the ultimate purpose and real achievement was a successful tour of the Monadnock Block plant of Arthur Whitcomb, Inc., visits at various locations where Monadnock block was used, and the satisfying results that can be obtained.

Guy MacMillin of The MacMillin Company, Keene general contractors, served as guide for the group on a tour of a new 30 room motel unit at Winding Brook Lodge, and the offices of his company where Monadnock block was used extensively. Arthur Whitcomb then treated the group to an inspection of his home, which left no doubt as to the versatility, charm and comfort in a masonry home.

The tour was interrupted for the group at noon long enough for a luncheon at Winding Brook Lodge. Heartily "thank-yous" were expressed by the group from out of State, and plans were discussed for the next NECMA meeting at Providence.
NEW HAMPSHIRE CHAPTER,
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MEET NOVEMBER 17

If members of New Hampshire Chapter, A.I.A. are interested in a successful fall meeting they have been rewarded with a fine guest speaker, new site and accommodations for dinner through the efforts of Chapter President Andrew C. Isaak, John Carter and Richard Koehler.

Date of the meeting is November 17, the place is Aurore's Restaurant, 201 Hanover Street, Manchester. Guest speaker will be Attorney William L. Phinney, prominent Manchester lawyer and former Attorney General of New Hampshire. Mr. Phinney's subject will be in the realm of the architects liability in construction, a matter of utmost importance and not generally understood in the profession.

As an added attraction attempts are being made to provide entertainment for wives and guests, with something especially appealing to the ladies.

Plan now to attend, mark your calendar, tell the "misses" she's invited and expected to attend. We'll look for you at Aurore's in Manchester on the 17th.

NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL A I A MEETS AT HARTFORD ON OCTOBER 21

New England Regional Meeting of A I A Scheduled at Hartford October 20-22

The Annual Meeting of the New England Regional Council will be held in Hartford, Connecticut on Saturday, October 21 at 9:30 in the morning at the Statler-Hilton Hotel.

The business of the annual meeting will include but may not be limited to the following: Secretary-Treasurer's Report, Report of the Regional Director, Election of Secretary-Treasurer (1962-1965), Amendment to By-Laws, Reports from Chapter Presidents and members serving on National Committees.

The New England Regional Meeting of The American Institute of Architects will also be held at the Statler-Hilton, Hartford, from October 20-22. Theme of the regional meeting will be Urban Renewal.

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The exterior wall panels are prestressed flat sandwich slabs with insulation between the exposed concrete layers. Slabs with smooth surfaces, and some with exposed aggregate were used on some of the exterior surfaces.

In the lower story fluorescent strips were placed between the stems of the double tees with plastic sheets below the stems of the tees creating a luminous ceiling.

The bottoms of the flat slabs were left exposed in the upper story and were painted.

On the interior of the building the concrete wall panels and the Norlite partition blocks were left exposed and painted.

Built-up roofing was laid over insulating concrete poured on the flat slabs of the roof construction.

Floors are covered with plastic flooring. The sash is aluminum. Heating is by three small forced air furnaces, which provide three zones of heat. The stems of the concrete double tees were panned to form ducts.

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Andrew C. Isaak, A.I.A., occupies new offices at Manchester

Andrew C. Isaak, A.I.A., has moved from 20 Hanover Street, Manchester, to new office facilities at 530 Chestnut Street.

Occupying ground floor space at the new location Mr. Isaak will have spacious drafting quarters, reception room and private offices with an adjoining conference room. The site of Mr. Isaak's offices is a newly constructed office building designed by Mr. Isaak and his staff for the Seven Sixty Realty Corporation.

October Meeting of The Associated General Contractors of New Hampshire, Inc., at Concord

Meeting at the N. H. Highway Hotel on October 5 the members of AGC held a varied and active session.

Accepted for Active Membership was the firm of Bean Construction-Caribbean, Inc. This separate corporation of R. E. Bean Construction Company of Keene has been operating in the Virgin Islands for two years. Craftsmen, Inc., Milford, N. H. was accepted for Associate Membership.

John Palazzi, Treasurer reported to the meeting and voiced some concern on the income of AGC and asked all members to participate in an active membership drive.

G. Allen Mott of the Arthur Whitcomb Construction Company was named Chairman of a project to raise funds from the membership for much needed road construction at Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Center.

President Herbert Stebbins advised the members present of a new dues structure for Vermont contractors which it is hoped will increase interest and membership on the part of Vermonters.

Four experts in the insurance field conducted a panel discussion on general liability and property damage as it affects general contractors. Participating on the panel were George Hazel, Hartford Accident & Indemnity Co., R. C. Love, The Dunlap Agency, William Jones, New Hampshire Insurance Group, and George Cleary of Aetna Casualty and Surety Co.

Associated General Contractors Contribute to B A C Fund Drive

The Boston Architectural Center was the recipient of a five hundred dollar contribution made by The Associated General Contractors of New Hampshire, Inc.

The executive committee of AGC voted the gift to assist the Boston Architectural Center in its fund drive, necessitated by the purchase of a building at Newbury and Hereford Sts., Boston. The old quarters of the B A C are being taken down as a result of land acquisition for a new Massachusetts State Office Building.

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Second Meeting of AIA-AGC Liaison Committee Held October 18

The recently reactivated AIA-AGC liaison committee met at the N. H. Highway Hotel, Concord, on October 18.

Some of the subjects for discussion and consideration were bidding procedures, architectural specifications of specific products, retainages, number of sets of drawings to be supplied and other items of interest to the committee.

Representing the N. H. Chapter AIA were Andrew C. Isaak, chapter president; John Carter, Maurice E. Witter, Stephen Tracy, W. Brooke Fleck and Nicholas Isaak. Representing the Associated General Contractors of New Hampshire, Inc., were James B. Peirce, Gay MacMillin, John J. Reilly, Jr., Edgar Hunt and Warren Baker.

Continued discussions are planned and eventually a joint meeting of all AIA-AGC members will be scheduled.

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