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The Worth of an Architect

John W. Hargrave, AIA
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When an architect or any other professional man seeks work solely on the basis that his fee is lower than that of others, either he may be offering less service, he may not know his costs for performing complete services, or he has a “gimmick” such as a standardized detail or specification which he can reuse without the expense of authorship. Whatever the reason, he probably knows the worth of his services better than anyone else. It remains our duty as a profession, however, to be sure that the public is protected from unscrupulous or careless practice, and to be sure that a contract for services given is fulfilled in a creditable manner.

But what do we mean when we speak of the worth of an architect? Certainly the expression has a variety of meanings. First, the worth of an architect may be expressed in terms of the client's interests. His architect may be worth a great deal or a little to him because of values created thru services, or the worth may be considered in terms of so much labor cost or “overhead”.

Worth As An Expression of Values Created

An architect’s services may be worth much or little in terms of values created. In business and mercantile projects, or in any public function where good planning can increase business volume or reduce operating costs, there is certainly a measurable worth of the services rendered. When the architect by his drawings is able to clearly illustrate to the client all of the problems of a building, and to offer improvements in design, he has saved his client expense and future operating losses; and that is a worthy service. He determines that all physical and legal obstacles are met and satisfied; he provides a concise instrument for a contract between owner and builder, and he smooths the way for the financing of a project.

It is a well known fact that certain architects enjoy so favorable a reputation in their design of certain types of buildings that a promoter can obtain financial backing and tenants just because of the confidence which investors have in the architect's work. That, too, is a measure of worth.

Some people employ an architect for curious personal reasons. In outdistancing “the Joneses” they become better than their neighbors by employing an architect who possesses showmanship as well as ability. They may be poor clients, consenting to all preliminary designs at first, and later finding fault loudly if they lose the prestige they seek. Of what worth is an architect to such a client?

There is that group of clients who employ an architect’s services only because of the law. Public improvements in Ohio when costing more than three thousand dollars require professional services. The persons forced by law to use such services may not be convinced of any worthiness in the requirement and in such instances would welcome “low bidders”.

To the credit of our public officials and many clients however, there is another measure of worth which they apply to the architect’s services. That is the desire to create and possess something better than an ordinary building. They have a sense of responsibility which goes with the liberties of free choice which we Americans enjoy, a responsibility to create structures aesthetically pleasing not only to themselves but to their neighbors and community. These are the clients who cannot be served best by “cut rate” design, and must be protected from any shortcomings of our profession.

The Architect’s Compensation

Thus far we have been writing of the worth of an architect to the client; now let us consider the worth of an architect to himself, his family and community. Assuming that the architect has done a good job, how should he be paid?

By A share of the savings or profit he has created? His operating expenses and “wages” measured by the hours a project requires? A fee sufficient to give him “freedom from want” without a profit motive? A gratuity based upon the appeal of his work to the popular taste, as an artist or sculptor is paid?

The traditional ways of paying architects have been on a “percentage of building cost”, or a “fixed fee operating cost” type of contract. Neither has an incentive system to reward for better design and detailing. After all, who can calculate the value of a beautiful school to the young minds being moulded there?

All the professions share one tradition from the days when they were sheltered within the monastic orders of the Dark Age. That is the tradition of service to mankind, of ministering to human needs without thought of personal gain. Today, most contracts between clergy-men and churches state that the clergyman’s salary is “to free him from all earthly cares” that he may devote his life to his profession.

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People Formed Line

Lines of people formed to view the interior of the AIA Home. Although to see the home required standing in line at least half an hour, there seemed to be no objection to this, proving that a new home design for a given area can be accepted if the home conveniences of the potential home owner is foremost in the architect's mind.

The Role of The Architect

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Aspects of a Philosophy of Service

By
Joseph L. Weinberg, FAIA

The average architect undoubtedly regards himself as a professional man in the truest sense of the word, although many a practitioner might be hard put in attempting to define the word "professional." I like a definition heard some years ago, which defined a professional man as "one who professes to possess a specialized knowledge that he is prepared to use for the guidance of, or service to, others." Granted the validity of this definition, how well does the average architect qualify? How many architects do you know who have actually contributed to the welfare of their fellow-men or, who, when there was little chance for personal advancement or profit, have given more than pious mouthing to the doctrine of architecture as a social art? Not very many, I am quite sure. And you may be certain that the general public has no higher opinion of us in this respect.

Re-examine Architectural Profession

It seems to me, that as of today we ought to re-examine the position of the architectural profession with relation to the philosophy of service to the community as a whole, particularly if we are going to continue to insist on our professional status on a par with physicians, attorneys and teachers. If one follows the daily papers for reports of our activities either when engaged as private practitioners or in group work as Institute members, who would believe that we are more than moderately concerned with the chaotic development (or more truly misdevelopment) of our cities, the fearful tangle of big city traffic, the depressing spread of slums and blighted areas, or the multitude of problems, starting with housing, that beset those unfortunates who happen to live on the wrong side of the tracks and hence are outside of our economic or social purview? And when our political leaders make committee appointments for the study of these vital problems, they usually make their selections from the ranks of the lawyers, real-estate men, bankers or business men, as if these groups possessed a superior knowledge of our urban ills and maladjustments, and alone rated a civic spirit that would allow for unselfish community service. Occasionally, we must admit, you do read of an architect being appointed to a city planning commission or a fine arts committee. Now and then you even read of where an august member of our craft has designd to prepare plans for a model house, to be exhibited at the next building show, letting the public become aware of what kind of a home he believes the upper ten percent of our citizenry should live in.

The Time is Here

The time has arrived, I maintain, for the architect to come down from his ivory tower, to cut loose from his one-sided devotion to his list of practical, profit or comfort seeking clients, and demonstrate a capacity for sorely needed civic leadership and initiative. As a significant indication of this arrival at professional maturity as expressed in social responsibility, I would suggest the establishment of a special type of architectural clinic by our local Institute chapters—set up not for the purpose of dispensing gratuitous or low-cost architectural service to private individuals, but strictly as instruments for the rendering of vital public service. These clinics, organized on a local or neighborhood basis, could start as groups of intelligent, civic-minded citizens, called together by committees from local chap-
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Survive or Perish

With these and related fundamental issues and problems of urban living our American cities must come to grips immediately, and survive or perish by their solution or their insolubility. The establishment of such clinics as described above on a community-wide basis in smaller communities, or on a neighborhood basis in our larger cities, would give public affirmation of our faith in democracy and of our willingness to assume the responsibilities it entails. The adoption of such a philosophy of service would prove our right to call architecture a social, not socialized, profession. We must abandon the thinking which regards architecture as a mere reflection of the times and seek to make it a vital factor in the badly needed re-creation of our physical environment. The immediate humanizing of our store of technical knowledge and its more effectual use in promoting the general welfare must become the first order of business for our profession. And every individual architect must begin to shape up his answer to the challenge.

In agreement with this challenge, John Welborn Root, FAIA, famous Chicago third-generation architect, Chairman of The American Institute of Architects' Committee on Public Relations, at a meeting of his Committee in San Francisco recently, said that cities would be better off if architects would take part in city planning.

It Was Said

An excellent philosophy when viewing something new is the old adage, "Be not the first by which the new is tried, nor the last to cast the old aside."

THE PLANNING STAGES

In order to plan this magazine the first problem was to find what you wanted and might find useful. We traveled with President of The Architects Society of Ohio, John W. Harrgrave AIA, to five of the six chapters. Columbus yet to visit.

Your thoughts and reaction to the proposed editorial policy were recorded and we now believe we know more what you want. It will be our continued effort to serve the profession of architecture in Ohio with a readable and useful publication. Also, attempt to so edit it with the hope that it may become an inspiration, as the official publication of the Architects Society of Ohio.

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William Zeckendorf

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Architect Mayer—New Office

Architect George B. Mayer, Cleveland, moved into new offices in the Arcade Building. They are beautiful. George is and has been a "Tower of strength" in the Architects Society of Ohio.

John O. Dempsey—U. S. Plywood

Goodby Jack and our best wishes for your happiness. Cleveland’s loss is Chicago’s gain. Now to be Divisional Manager there. Mr. M. T. Young, former Manager of the Buffalo Office, will be the Cleveland Manager.

John O. Dempsey—U. S. Plywood

Fred L. Fuller—Glidden Paint

Mr. Fuller, The Glidden representative to the Cleveland Chapter of the Producers’ Council, has recently been promoted to the position of Maintenance Sales Manager of their Central Region. Fred has worked with both Cleveland and northeastern Ohio architects and will continue to, both personally and through the Producers’ Council.

Business Outlook For Architects

Ohio architects tell us the business picture for them, is good. Harry Allen, State Architect, tells us 82% of the bond issues for Ohio schools and municipal buildings passed at the November election.

George A. Pinkerton—The Gellin Company

George has recently joined the Gellin Company, Cleveland to serve the architect. Their lines, known to the architect, are Joanna Vinylized Wall Fabrics and Crossfield Products, manufacturers of Dexotex floor surfacing.

Richard G. Jones—Anaconda Copper

Mr. Jones is being transferred from the Cleveland Office of the American Brass Company to the Buffalo office where he assumes more responsibility. Congratulations to you Dick, and with them go our good wishes.

NEW ROSTER

This issue contains a different—a more useful roster of all resident registered architects in the state. Different and more useful, because for the first time, it gives the names of all AIA members in bold face type, now making it possible for AIA members to know their fellow members in other cities. The roster is geographical—city by city.

POINTS OF INTEREST

The offices of the OHIO ARCHITECT are always open for your visits. We welcome you and hope that you will make them your headquarters. And to out of Cleveland architects, there is a garage connected with the building for convenient parking. Our offices are located in the Lincoln Building, opposite the Auditorium Hotel and the Cleveland Auditorium, 1367 East Sixth Street, Cleveland 14, O., Phone Superior 1-2355.

Welcome—Associate Editors

To the Editorial Staff of the OHIO ARCHITECT. One of you from each of the ASO (6) Chapters. Ohio architects will be interested in your local architectural news each month from your city and chapter.

Architect A. C. Robinson, FAIA, Cleveland promises us an article on his return from a meeting of the jury of AIA who select the "Fellows" for the ensuing year.
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The Producers' Council

We, of the Producers Council have faith in the ability of the United States to adjust itself to the changed conditions which will come as defense spending is reduced. American business necessarily would go through a period of readjustment and perhaps a moderate downturn during that period, but we have confidence that in the long run an era of international amity should mean an era of prosperity. To think that the individual or business dollar paid through tax channels can create a better economy than the spending of that money direct, is encouraging mediocrity.

A Big Backlog

There is a big backlog of civilian orders and a big demand to help cushion any shock of reduction in Government spending. Freedom from controls has helped commercial building—yes, social building—to proceed on a normal basis. American standards of living through the years, has moved steadily upward, and economists agree that it is to go even higher. This, plus an increased population, will involve a continuing demand for new products and new devices to make life easier and more comfortable. This demand automatically means purchases and consumer buying automatically creates jobs for people—automatically means "selling" instead of "order taking." Our problem is not "over-production," it is "under selling!"

Profitable Cooperation

P.C.—legally known as Producers' Council, but in the Construction Industry called "Profitable Cooperation"—is devoting itself through joint efforts with the AIA, to create a "bigger pie" for industry.

Higher standards of living—perhaps first of all—better housing. Greater emphasis will be placed on the modernization of old houses, as well as the erection of new homes of higher quality.

Figures Tell a Story

The 1950 Census shows 2,402,565 dwellings in the Ohio area, of which 1,307,595 or 54% were built prior to 1919, over 35 years ago, and 439,655 or 18% built from 1920 to 1929; or 1,747,250 or 72% or nearly three-fourths of Ohio homes that are a quarter of a century old or older. This complacency about old buildings just does not make sense! The Automobile Industry solved their problem by making everyone "new car" conscious or reconditioning old ones until they look like new.

The Market

The market for goods involved in the work of improving older homes is a big one. The increased number of children offer a two billion dollar school building program in 1954 and even greater in the years to come. The need for more hospitals and more recreational buildings in every community with progressive industrial companies, like General Motors, very receptive to new plants that are more economical.

GRINDSTONE OR WHETSTONE?

Elliot C. Spratt
President Producers' Council, Inc.

The markets are available! The money is available. Are we, as individuals in the Construction Profession available as institutional, school, hospital, church, corporation board members or campaign chairmen to CREATE construction projects? Are we, as members of the various segments of the Construction Industry, cooperating with each other as individuals—as groups? Why disregard the obvious. Is it a grindstone or a whetstone we are on?

A CHALLENGE

John N. Richards AIA
Past Regional Director

Congratulations and Best Wishes to you on your first issue of the Ohio Architect.

For we architects, in my opinion, 1954 will be a good year. Schools, hospitals and institutional buildings will keep us busy. 1954 work will be a challenge to Architects to house our fellowmen—for education, hospitalization, and recreation.

With schools, we have the opportunity to assist in moulding our coming civilization, with hospitals, we can give the best environment to our ill brethren, and with recreation we can provide our fellowmen with the correct environment for their leisure and play.

As architects, we must devote some of our time to the AIA—The Architects Society of Ohio, and our local AIA Chapter. Our professional organizations are our "binders", which bring us together for interchange of ideas, our professional relations and methods of practice, education, and friendship.

Our Challenge

In order to make these organizations stronger in the nation, state, and locally, we must serve actively on AIA committees, attend meetings, and assist the officers. With good public relations, such as the Ohio Architect, and the Institute's public relations advice, the local chapters are, and will be, constantly asked for counsel and advice on planning and building by the governmental agencies.

Best Wishes—

John N. Richards AIA
Retrospect — 1953 Cleveland AIA Museum Show

Chalmer Grimm, Jr.

The exhibit, preceded by the first one five years ago, was conceived by the Cleveland Museum of Art and the Cleveland Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. The individual architectural exhibitors, because of their respect for the profession and their own accomplishments, were willing to bear the expense of showing that work which had been authoritatively judged as good architecture.

Its aim was to present to art conscious eyes qualified examples of local architecture, to verify for them the importance of the architect, and to familiarize a larger public with the value of architects work.

To exhibit is to attempt to educate. Therefore, every effort was made to inform people of the exhibit, to influence them to see it, to stimulate them by what they saw. Through public relations counsel numerous informative announcements were made in local papers, in civic and professional journals. A three week newspaper contest aroused public interest, testing by photos the architectural judgment of readers. Radio and television broadcasts included interviews, announcements, and panel discussions. Special invitations were sent.

It was designed to stimulate visual concentration by the use of color, material, motion, intimate scale, and area layout. The theme, "Architects Help People", created a personal relation between the public and the architect. The many ways architects help people, to stay safe and well, to work and save, to live well, to relax and travel, to buy and sell, to worship and learn, keyed the division of building types exhibited.

Brochure Given

A brochure, "Cleveland Builds—A Guide to Note-worthy Architecture in the Cleveland Area", showing eleven examples was distributed as a souvenir of the exhibit. The eleven examples illustrated were placed throughout the show to introduce the several divisions of the exhibit and call attention to the noteworthy architecture that has been produced in the Cleveland area.

The results — 43,866 people attended during the month it was on display. They saw good architecture, they saw how architects help people. For most of them, surely, the impression they carried away was favorable and lasting.
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The Museum, in presenting this review of recent architecture of the Toledo area, hoped to bring to the attention of its visitors a phase of art expression of their time which too often, because of its familiarity, tends to be unappreciated or overlooked.

Time and historical perspective are needed to evaluate properly any work of art. However, by presenting in exhibition a collection of recent representative works by architects of this area, an opportunity was offered to observe how we have expressed our times in brick, stone and steel, and to appraise the architectural legacy that we are leaving to future generations.

One Exhibit to Each

Each exhibitor exhibited whatever of his work he chose, provided only that it had been built, or was nearing completion. Except for the standard mount, and a standard size block for the exhibitor's name, method and manner of presentation was unrestricted.

There was an estimated 20,000 attendance pleasing to those who put on the exhibit. The public, the architects, and the museum all profited from the exhibit. The public saw that good architecture was building a better community. Local architects were favorably presented before a large audience. The museum again furthered its objective of presenting architecture as one of the important arts.
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Chapter Meetings —

Most chapter members attend meetings for the simple reason that they are lured toward an interesting program. Program planning is an art unto itself, and even within a group whose general interests are obviously close, there is usually a scattered reaction to the speakers produced by the program committee. As chairman this year Bob Yoder has done a noteworthy job of giving the chapter a diversified program. The January meeting brought James Rose, Landscape Architect, from New York to discuss the relationship of site planning to building design, with emphasis on the basic need for an early integration of the two. Speaking generally of residential work, he decried the technique of designing a house first and then asking a landscape architect to do a garden for it, as being no less ridiculous than having the process reversed. His discussion offered few sure-fire instructions on how to be a successful landscaper, did thrust a challenge for the architectural profession to think about site and space problems . . . February's meeting offers Robert Swanson of Swanson Associates, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, whose topic of planning the contemporary school should provide one of the high spots of the year.

On the Road —

The recent school administrator's convention in Atlantic City drew many a Buckeye. Some were Cleveland chapter members. Spotted on the boardwalk were Michael Kane, Dick Outcault, Ronny Spahn, and Willis Whitehead . . . Max Norcross just returned from a three week visit to Mexico expressing delight with the contemporary residential sections of Mexico City . . . And Ernst Payer and his wife spent parts of February and March in Europe, where Mrs. Payer, as curator of textiles, is doing research for the Cleveland Museum of Art.

By Appointment —

J. Trevor Guy is now a member of suburban Beachwood's Architectural Board of Review, joining Chapter members John Williams and Max Norcross . . . Cleveland's Mayor Celebrezze recently appointed a new Urban Redevelopment Director and the Chapter has chosen J. Byers Hays as representative to the Mayor's Advisory Board, with Phelps Cunningham as alternate.

Moving Again —

Will be the Division of Art and Architecture of Western Reserve University. Changing zoning laws has permitted the university to use three houses on Magnolia Drive, near the Cleveland Institute of Art. Scheduled move for the department of architecture, according to George Danforth, department head, is this spring.

Relations with the Public —

Each year the Chapter cooperates with the Cleveland Technical Societies in giving orientation lectures to high school students, explaining, in this case, the whys and wherefores of architecture, what's expected from the architect, what he can expect from the client and from the profession. As chairman of the Public Relations, Education, and Registration committee Tony Ciresi has long been active in this work, and this year persuaded Ken Barnes, Trevor Guy, Otto Spieth, Wally Teare, and George Voinovich to do some of the talking for him. Their success or failure will show up in next year's freshman classes.

The Institute —

Has applauded the Chapter's entry into the publishing world by accepting the Project Noteworthy brochure "Cleveland Builds" as the Document-of-the-Month. The buildings represented in this publication were chosen by Chapter members as being noteworthy for historical interest and/or design, and of interest to visitors in the city. As the Document-of-the-Month it will be distributed by the Institute to other chapters in the country as an example of what can be done at the chapter level toward better community public relations. A special citation to Bob Gaede who was chairman of the original PN committee.
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An illustrated lecture on the subject of terrazzo was presented at the February meeting of the Cincinnati chapter. A. J. Martina, president of the National Terrazzo and Mosaic Assn., together with representatives of local contractors, discussed the uses, installation and maintenance of terrazzo.

Four New Members

New members recognized and honored at a recent meeting of the Cincinnati Chapter included Robert Fox, Raymond Bosworth, Richard Cates and Donald Rost. Ralph H. Hetterich of Hamilton has been appointed Cincinnati representative to the regional Chapter Affairs Committee. Meanwhile, the chapter is reviewing the reorganizational chart issued by the Octagon to ascertain the need of creating a local committee of this nature.

Public Shelter Section

Several architects have been working on a volunteer basis with the Public Shelter Section of the Cincinnati Defense Organization. Their duties have included the inspection of 147 public and parochial schools in this area, and reporting on suitable locations within each building for protection against effects of atomic bomb explosions. Edwin W. Potts is General Chairman of the Public Shelter Section, CDO.

Architects Volunteered

The chapter was originally contacted by E. Judson Wheeler, Jr. of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, who requested volunteers for this survey phase of the Civil Defense program. Twenty eight architects agreed to assist in this undertaking. Working without remuneration, these men have already completed the surveys on approximately 90 percent of their assigned school buildings.

Cincinnati Architectural Society

The Cincinnati Architectural Society (a social organization composed of architects, material salesmen, building department officials, engineers, and allied professionals) has announced plans of an inspection trip through the Formica Co's. plant. A similar trip arranged several years ago proved to be stimulating and of special interest to the architects. The Formica Co. is one of many Cincinnati industries that manufacture and distribute building products on a nation-wide basis.

The Octagon made a survey of school boards in cities over 200,000 population. The findings were published in the May-June 1953 Bulletin and listed Columbus, Ohio in Group 3 School systems employing private Architects and that also have a staff Architect who prepares plans for some projects.

November a Bond issue of $14,000,000.00 was voted for school construction and improvements for the Columbus area. Approximately $6,000,000.00 will be used this year for work on the boards of local private offices and also on the boards of the Columbus Board of Education Staff (Architect Ed Kromer).

To show the extent of the use of private Architects we list the following firms and their projects with the Columbus Board of Education.

Dan A. Carmichael, Jr.—Junior High School
Benham, Richards & Armstrong—Junior High School
Freshwater & Harrison—Additions to Central High
Brooks & Coddington—Fairmoor School
Kellam & Folley—Remodeling Fulton St. School
Crumley & Musson—Remodeling Fifth Ave. School
Wm. R. McDonald—Remodeling Third Ave. School
Hiram H. Van Buren—Remodeling First Ave. School

Home Show

The Columbus Chapter has voted for a permanent committee to handle the annual Home Show Architect's Exhibit to be held April 25-30 at the new Merchandising and Manufacturers Building on the Ohio State Fair Grounds.

The Columbus Chapter Meeting, February 18th was held at the Builders Exchange. The speaker was Prof. Vandegrift, Research Engineer at Ohio State University, on "Research in Concrete Block Wall Construction". The Concrete Block Assn., Inc. sponsored this program.

Married

Miss Paula Schatzman AIA, Columbus Chapter, was married February 18, to Dr. Donald J. Holmes, in Toledo. The bride graduated from the College of Architecture, OSU, in 1949. Began her practice in 1951 in Columbus. The lucky bridegroom graduated from the College of Medicine, OSU in 1952 and is now a resident physician on the staff at University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. They return to Columbus after Dr. Holmes finishes his work at Ann Arbor.
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Our February meeting was well attended but a little slow starting. A color film and demonstrations of installation of Insulite featured the meeting. After the demonstrations, a buffet lunch was served. The crowd then split into two groups—one interested in photography and the other in normal conversation. A professional photographer was present to take a group picture and afterward all the "shutter bugs" gathered around him.

President Karl Becker

President, Karl Becker, and his professional, entered into quite an interesting discussion on filters and their effect on color film. Max Wright, the host, in welcoming the guests, stated that it had been fifteen years since the last Toledo Chapter Insulite Party. He showed an interesting photograph of the group gathered at the time. The fact that there were many new faces at this year's party, but still many of the old familiar ones, most of whom had changed somewhat, with the possible exception of Horace Coy. He also noted that all in the fifteen-year-old picture, except two, were still living.

National Engineers' Week

Toledo Architects' offices participated in National Engineers' Week, February 21st-27th, in conjunction with the Toledo Society of Professional Engineers. Models, photographs and presentation plates were displayed in downtown Toledo store windows...a good showing for our Toledo Chapter, in line with the practices recommended by the Public Relations Advisers of the AIA, and was an excellent follow-up on the showing of recent Toledo Architecture in the Toledo Museum of Art, viewed by 20,000 people.

Britsch & Munger, Fred Morris, Barber and Evans, Bellman, Gillett and Richards were the architects represented in the Engineers' week showing.

Preparing For Examination

Interesting to note are the small groups in the various offices spending one or two evenings a week preparing for the Registration Examinations of the State Board of Examiners. This type of co-operative study is bound to bring its reward.

Our program chairman, Horace Wachter, is doing a fine job. All of our recent meetings have been interesting. All members are looking forward to our Annual Golf Party and the boat trip which is being planned for late summer.

The best news that's hit the architects of Dayton for months has been the general reorganization of the Ohio Architect, complete with new publisher. For some time now, the magazine has been dead on its feet, but now we're sure it's going to amount to something worth looking forward to each month. The publisher was with us at our last chapter meeting, and did a good job of boosting the magazine and getting everyone in the chapter lined up solidly. We all extend our best wishes for the big job ahead.

Two New Members

During the meeting, two new men joined the chapter—Gene LaMuro as an associate, and Arnold F. Igleburger as an active member. Gene, a graduate of North Dakota and the U. S. Air Force, is working for Lorenz and Williams, and "Ike" is a partner in Hart, Igleburger and Associates. Hermon Bruderick, program chairman, produced a movie from U. S. Steel Corp. on the steel erection for the U. N. Secretariat Building. A good movie—short, and colorful. We'll recommend it to anyone.

Architectural Ethics

Phil Kielawa brought up a point of architectural ethics. A newspaper article announced that one of the biggest local contracting firms was to build a major building here, and that their "architectural associate" was preparing the plans. The associate is not registered, and the chapter feels that some contractors are infringing on the architects' bailiwick, especially when the local press seldom gives architects a credit line, even with renderings.

Church Architecture

An institute on church architecture, sponsored by the Church Federation of Greater Dayton was held here January 18th. It was a full day of discussions and lectures on the building problems of churches, lead by C. Harry Atkinson, Director of the Bureau of Church Building, New York City. Rollin Ross, lead a discussion of building materials, and Phil Kielawa, who with his partner Wilbert Welty, has done a good bit of church work, spoke on remodeling. John Schweiger, of Schweiger, Heapy & Associates, covered mechanical equipment, and Eugene Litkowski spoke on interior decoration. Mr. Atkinson observed that church architecture today tends to be contemporary, functional, and human, moving away from the standard appearance of churches of past years.
FEBRUARY MEETING

On Thursday evening, Feb. 18, 1954, the Eastern Ohio Chapter AIA held its regular dinner meeting at the Barberton Brookside Country Club with 67 members, wives, and guests present. A pleasant cocktail hour was enjoyed with the George P. Little Co. and S. K. Insulrock Corp. as genial hosts.

Three New Members

Three new Corporate Members were welcomed, James Knapp, Donald Crawfis, and Eugene Peddle. Six membership applications were distributed, three corporate and three associate. The main business of the evening was the arrangement of the April 24th meeting to be held in Pittsburgh with a trip through the Alcoa Bldg. The ladies entertainment was a presentation of toy making by the Sun Rubber Co.

Hosts for the meeting were Joe Tuchman and Don Miller who had arranged an interesting Panel Discussion on Certificates of Payment. Tuchman acted as moderator. The Panel members were as follows:

Mr. Ralph Maher, Lawyer, representing Akron Bar Assoc.
Mr. Arnold Weinstein, Contractor, representing Akron Contractors Assoc.
Mr. Jack Kern, Banker, representing Dime Bank of Akron
Mr. Boyd Huff, Architect, representing Akron, Eastern Ohio Chapter AIA

This interesting discussion brought out the importance of the contractors completion bond and the mechanics lien law in conjunction with the standard forms as issued by the AIA.

Architect Huff Lead Discussion

Mr. Huff led a discussion on the subject, “Does Supervision of the Work include Supervision of the Contractor as well?” The group took active part in the discussion and the number of questions presented demonstrated the deep interest of the members. We approve more of this type of activity rather than sales movies at our meetings.

Many thanks to the excellent panel members who made this possible.

On to Pittsburgh—Alcoa

Aluminum Company of America has invited the architects to take a trip through their new building in Pittsburgh. The Eastern Ohio Chapter has made arrangements for a Saturday, April 24 trip to Pittsburgh.

Plans are to take a milk train from Akron, with stops at Youngstown, etc. An air conditioned coach (chartered) no less, 48 persons per coach. Our chapter has that many already. Will you make a second coach necessary, please? Lunch at the Wm. Penn Hotel, courtesy Alcoa, short meeting, then guided tour, in small groups, through Alcoa building.

We will have time left to see the new point development and perhaps go through the U. S. Steel Building.

Once In A Life Time

The more the merrier. The wives are going with us. Frank Smith, Sr. reports great interest in this trip at the Columbus meeting. President Hargrave has asked to be included. We are sending an invitation to Clair Ditchy.

This is an invitation to all who would like to go. Write Richard N. Zuber, 255 E. State St., Alliance, for reservations. Cards will be mailed out the first of April giving final arrangements and complete information.

Let’s go to Boston

“Forces That Shape Architecture” will be the theme of the 86th annual convention of The American Institute of Architects, announced Clair W. Ditchy FAIA, President of the Institute. The convention will meet in Boston, June 15-19, headquarters Statler Hotel.

The theme will give American architects the opportunity to assess those forces which have so radically changed their profession during the past fifty years. Modern technology; government building programs; developments in health, education and industry; new commercial patterns; the changing structure of the family, the community and the city—all have exerted a profound influence on architecture. Their impact on building design will be the subject of the various seminars at the 1954 convention.
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Features and Borders are available in the same colors and designs as Lifetime Vinyl Terra-Tile or in solid colors.

Feature Strips
Standard thicknesses: 1/8".
Widths: 1", 1 1/4".
Lengths: 3 ft. x 3 ft.

TV-95 Blue Crush
TV-59 Blue Frost
TV-32 Aztec Red
TV-15 Ebony Etch
TV-35 Riviera Rose
TV-53 Red Frost
TV-42 Sandy Buff
TV-80 Buttercup
TV-65 Medium Gray Crystal
TV-51 Black Frost
TV-36 Coral Gold
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TV-85 Doeskin

Robbins Floor Products, Inc.
LIFETIME VINYL

The Tile That Needs No Adhesive!

For the first time in the history of resilient flooring it is possible to lay tile on below grade areas, where moisture is excessive, without fear of failure. Alkali and moisture oozing through concrete attack and eventually destroy adhesives used with conventional tile, causing seepage through the joints. The exclusive and revolutionary construction design of Robbins All-Purpose Terra-Tile, however, completely overcomes this problem. No adhesive is used in the installation of this tile! The absolute dimensional stability, perfect squaring and the unique "honeycomb" construction of the tile back eliminates the possibility of moisture being forced out through the joints. Unlike many flooring materials, Robbins All-Purpose Terra-Tile is completely unaffected by water or alkalies. It will not absorb moisture; will not swell or curl. It does not deteriorate when subject to chemical attack and is, therefore, ideal for use where such conditions are prevalent.

With All-Purpose Terra-Tile, shifting of wood sub-floors due to expansion and contraction is no longer a problem. No expensive underlays are necessary and no special preparation of sub-floors is needed. Because of its unique construction, All-Purpose Terra-Tile is twice as thick as ordinary tile and offers up to 10 times the resilience of ordinary tile. Despite this extra thickness, however, it is not a laminated, sandwich type flooring—"the brilliant terrazzo design is tile thick!" The added thickness and honeycomb back also gives superior wearing qualities, added resistance to indentation and provides an effective insulating layer between floor and tile.

All-Purpose Terra-Tile is highly resistant to greases, oils, fats, acids, alkalies, and harsh cleaners. It may be kept spotlessly clean with occasional mopping and buffing. It needs no waxing... ever! It is resistant to attack by any type wax and where extreme high lustre is desired occasional very light applications of high resinous wax can be used to speed up buffing.

SIZES

Standard thickness: 1/4".
Standard sizes: 9" x 9", 12" x 12".

COLORS

Available in the 16 beautiful terrazzo patterns shown on page for Robbins Lifetime Vinyl Terra-Tile.

FEATURES AND BORDERS

Features and Borders are cut from tiles to the widths desired.
Whether the need is for a bold and striking design, or an air of serenity and dignity, Robbins Rubber Tile will meet the requirements exactly. With the wide range of beautiful solid colors and marbleized patterns, there is virtually no limit to the effects that can be achieved through combinations of Robbins Rubber Tile. It is the ideal choice for installations where beauty, comfort and economy are the requisites.

Robbins Rubber Tile is designed to give a lifetime of service even under the heavy traffic of busy public buildings. Perfect fidelity of color tone and pattern is maintained through the entire thickness of the tile. Molded under pressure, it provides a firm-yet-resilient floor which cushions footsteps and provides new walking comfort and sound-absorbing qualities.

Each tile is precision cut to absolute four-square perfection, allowing fast and economical installation with no unsightly dirt-catching crevices between tiles. It can be installed over any type of sub-floor, including concrete which is not in direct contact with the earth or below grade. (Note: It may be installed over concrete on grade or below grade provided a waterproof membrane is installed under the slab.) Robbins Rubber Tile is easily maintained—an occasional mopping, waxing and buffing is all that is necessary to retain the beauty and brilliance of a new floor.

**SIZES**

Standard thicknesses: 1/8" (3/32" or 3/16" available on special order).

Standard sizes: 6" x 6", 9" x 9", 12" x 12".

(Other sizes available on special order up to 36" x 36").
Robbins Rubber Terra-Tile marks a really new advance in floor styling. It offers the rich coloring and polished brilliance of marble terrazzo while retaining all the features—the resilience, the comfort, quiet and easy maintenance—that have made rubber a preferred flooring material for homes, institutions and business houses. Available in a wide range of colors, Terra-Tile opens a striking new field for design. It makes possible terrazzo-like floors in any place, over any sub-floor surface, where standard rubber tile can be installed, including concrete which is not in direct contact with the earth or below grade. (Note: It may be installed over concrete on grade or below grade provided a waterproof membrane is installed under the slab.) It is not limited by special conditions, such as dimensional and weight factors in modernization, that preclude the use of terrazzo.

The unique production process by which Terra-Tile is produced assures uniform coloration in all tiles, permitting solid-design floors without noticeable joints. It possesses the same dimensional perfection of all Robbins floor tiles. Absolute squareness of corners and edges and uniformity of thickness makes Robbins Rubber Terra-Tile easy, fast and economical to lay.

**FEATURES AND BORDERS**
Features and Borders are available in the following solid colors only:
- Style No. 100 Black  Style No. 500 White
- Style No. 200 Brown  Style No. 510 Gray
- Style No. 310 Red  Style No. 700 Green
- Style No. 350 Terra Cotta  Style No. 800 Yellow
- Style No. 400 Tan  Style No. 900 Blue

Note: The unique pattern of Terra-Tile allows Features and Borders to be cut from 9'' x 9'' tiles to form continuous strip effect.

**Feature Strip**
Standard thicknesses: 1/8'' (3/16'' available on special order).
Standard widths: 1'', 1 1/2''.

**Border**
Standard thicknesses: 1/8'' (3/16'' available on special order).
Maximum size: 3 ft. x 3 ft.
The most complete line of rubber and vinyl cove in the world today!

The perfect finishing touch for every floor, Robbins Lifetime Vinyl or Rubber Cove Base offer the ideal combination of beauty and utility. The streamlined, wall-hugging contour unites floor and wall with a tight, sanitary seal that makes cleaning easy. Lifetime Vinyl Cove and Rubber Cove, with matching inside and outside corners, are available in a wide range of beautiful solid colors in both set-on and toe-type. Lifetime Vinyl Cove is also made in 8 vivid pearlized and oak-grain patterns and in hi-lustre jet-black which make any installation outstanding.

COLORS
Lifetime Vinyl and Rubber Cove are available in the 9 solid colors shown at right.

Lifetime Vinyl Flex-Cove is available in the 5 pearlized and 4 oak-grain patterns shown at right plus jet-black hi-lustre.

SIZES
Lifetime Vinyl and Rubber Cove in solid colors are available in 1½" and 4" and 6" wall heights, 1/8" wall, set-on type, and in 4" and 6" wall heights, toe-type, for use with 3/16" tile. Lifetime Vinyl Cove may be had in 3 ft. and 4 ft. lengths and 120 ft. rolls. Rubber Cove is made in 3 ft. and 4 ft. lengths. Inside and outside corners in 4" and 6" wall heights are available for set-on type only.

Lifetime Vinyl Flex-Cove in both pearlized and oak-grain patterns is available in 4" and 6" wall heights, set-on type only, in lengths of 3 ft. and 4 ft.

Inside and Outside Corners in 4" and 6" heights to match
LIFETIME VINYL Safety Tread Runner

Treads

Will not oxidize, crack, curl or tear with age. Unaffected by oil, greases, fats, strong cleaners, gasoline, kerosene, alkalies or ordinary acids. Ink, iodine, fruit and similar stains are easily removed. Can be applied to wood, concrete or composition steps.

Thicknesses: 5/32 (.150”). All standard widths and lengths. Special widths and lengths available on special order.

Colors: Black, Brown, Beige, Terra Cotta, Gray, Green and Blue.

Runners

Non-skid, wet or dry, Lifetime Vinyl ribbed safety tread surface gives new walking comfort and decreases accident hazards for employees and customers. It is flexible, durable, will not crack or curl and stands up under hard service. The heavy duty gauge is ideal for industrial plants and the heavy traffic areas of stores and showrooms. The extra heavy duty Country Club type withstands the hard wear of golf spikes and other extreme conditions.


Thicknesses: 5/32” (.150”), and ¼”. Widths 24” and 36”.

Lengths: 25-yard rolls—other lengths available on special order.


Robbins Waterproof and Kem-Set Adhesives

Robbins Waterproof Adhesive: A waterproof, alcohol base adhesive which will not freeze. It is especially recommended for use with Robbins Lifetime Vinyl Tile, Rubber Tile and Cove Base.

Robbins Kem-Set Adhesive: A chemically setting adhesive for use on grade installations. Detailed instructions on the use of Kem-Set is available from the factory on request.

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FUNGICIDAL FLOORING
CUPRIC OXYCHLORIDE TOXIC TO ATHLETE’S FOOT FUNGUS

THE MATERIAL
A dry mixture of mineral and vegetable fibers, calcined magnesium oxide, and finely divided copper is mixed with magnesium chloride dissolved in water. The materials react to form cupric oxychloride, a cementitious solid closely resembling the natural mineral atacamite.

GENERAL PROPERTIES
The set material is resistant to water, abrasion, indentation, dusting, food wastes, neutral oils and greases. It may be colored by addition of mineral pigments to the dry mix. When plastic, it may be troweled in thin layers over properly prepared wood, stone, concrete, asphalt, or metal surfaces, where it sets to form a tough, semi-resilient coating.

TOXIC PROPERTIES
The copper content gives a sanigenic quality to the set material. Copper is a well known poison to mold, fungus, and bacteria. When in contact with the material, it has a killing action on them. The copper also makes the material repellent to roaches.

ELECTRIC PROPERTIES
The copper content makes the set material electrically conductive. The resistance is high enough to prevent shock, but low enough to drain away static electricity.

USES
Magnesium oxychloride (“Magnesite”) has long been known as a tough, durable, economical, troweled-in-place flooring material. The addition of the copper content, a recent discovery, increases its usefulness. Thus improved, its roach repellency makes it desirable in food handling areas. Its sanigenic qualities make it desirable in locker rooms and similar barefoot places. Its ability to drain off static electricity makes it useful in hazardous areas like paint shops, dry cleaning plants, hospital operating rooms.

INSTALLATION
Cupric oxychloride flooring may be installed plain or it may be mixed with marble chips to form a terrazzo. It is usually installed by a terrazzo contractor. Various colors of marble chips combined with material either in its natural gray or tinted with mineral pigments produce an almost unlimited range of floor effects. When used plain, it may be installed in continuous unbroken surfaces. As terrazzo, it is usually installed with divider strips.

Editor’s note: Cupric oxychloride for use as a flooring material is distributed under the trade name of “Hubbellite” by the Hubbellite Corporation, 1312 Farmers Bank Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Patios block, as used in this exterior planter, emphasizes lateral lines, provides interesting frame for large window.

This planter uses slump brick and a gracefully curving base line to achieve a picturesque informal air.

Only a few years ago the familiar concrete block was considered a strictly utilitarian material, suitable principally for low-cost commercial and industrial buildings. It was said to be almost completely lacking in esthetic value. Then, here and there, an architect began to use the severe angular lines of lightweight block to emphasize the verticals in taller structures, to give the modern, clean-lined touch to many buildings which could not otherwise achieve such distinction economically.

The peculiar texture of Haydite then came to interest many. We now find numerous examples of original and attractive texture patterns in both exteriors and interiors of commercial buildings, churches, schools and homes.

Going a step further, one of Ohio's oldest and largest manufacturers of lightweight block, has introduced broken block, called Roman Roughs, and tinted block which is known as Bermuda Blocks for patios, outdoor fireplaces, garden walks and walls.

One glance at this interior will impress even the casual visitor. Here Roman Roughs and all patterns have been used to excellent advantage. The results shown in these photographs indicate that we now have a man-made stone which is not only beautiful but adaptable to creative designing.

An oil-base cement paint, in dark subdued tones,
Deep tone oil base paint on this unusual office partition provides striking contrast between textured masonry wall and smooth natural birch door.

Patio blocks, Roman Roughs and slump brick combine with standard Geistone to make this corner of the Geist offices architecturally interesting.

covers some wall areas, serving to accentuate the interesting natural texture of the Roman Roughs which, of course, remain unpainted. An impressively modern appearance is achieved with complete departure from angular wood or glass partitions. The cleaning problem has been reduced to a minimum and, of course, material cost was relatively low.

The planter idea, gaining momentum daily, for interior and exterior use, is one which can be exploited beautifully when Roman Roughs and slump brick are used and offer almost limitless possibilities. As partitions, planters, fireplaces and as patio materials, such blocks provide the architect with the means of lending an unusual touch of glamour here and there to any home.

Editor’s Note—Architect Onnie Mankki, AIA, visiting the offices of The Geist Coal & Supply Company, Cleveland manufacturers of the block (photos taken in their office) remarked “the many shapes of these block offer the architect a variety of opportunities for creative expression”.

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Architects... Meet Your Public

by Anson B. Campbell

Architects of the AIA today recognize more than ever their obligation to serve the public. The 109 Chapters are now into the second year of a national three year program of public relations. Ketchum, Inc. works under the guidance of your Public Relations Committee including Chairman John Wellborn Root, Chicago; Vice Chairman Francis Joseph McCarthy, San Francisco; Karl Kamrath, Houston; Harold R. Sleeper, New York; Herbert C. Millkey, Atlanta; Frank McNett, Grand Island, Neb.; and Maurice J. Sullivan, Houston (ex officio). Valuable, too, in all public relations activity is Edmund R. Purves, executive director, AIA.

AIA Workshops

In Counsel-conducted "Workshops" architects are advised to join community action groups, raise a voice for community betterment and think, act and write in terms of public interest. This willing-to-serve attitude is reflected in such chapter activities as these:

California Recommends

The Northern California Chapter has offered recommendations to demolish the San Francisco Palace of Fine Arts, refurbish its main hall for sports events and civic exhibits. After weeks of newspaper publicity furnished by AIA architects, readers realized this chapter was a force for community betterment.

Seattle Controversy

In Seattle, as a controversy on lake and Sound bridge locations reached a peak of intensity, the Washington Chapter stepped in to fill the need for a plan. The chapter formulated a resolution calling for the formation of a planning group patterned after the highly successful Toronto Planning Commission. Editorialized, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer: "The Western Chapter of AIA has proposed a means. It is a resolution which, we think, deserves your study and thereby get your support."

Kansas Gives

Kansas Chapter gave, at cost, architectural services on the building of a new outdoor Starlight Theater, a civic project.

Saving the Theater

Help saving the legitimate theater, was a project of the New York Chapter. It got whole-heartedly behind an order to have that city's building code amended to promote construction of theaters within offices or residential buildings. Since available theaters grow scarce, New York city may lose one of its most celebrated institutions if this trend is not stopped. Thousands of theater-goers and theater people applauded the Architect's role in this amendment designed to prevent such a great loss.

The Westchester (N.Y.) Chapter has decided to hand over receipts of its big annual dinner to a scholarship fund. Also, the Architect's Wives Club of the Dallas Chapter continues to plan house tours to clear money for scholarships.

Discussion Groups

Members of several Chapters are starting discussion groups in the high schools to better explain the architectural profession to students.

Speakers Bureau

The Kansas City Chapter inaugurated a speakers' bureau, prepared facts kits built around such public interest subjects as "New Schools for your Children" and "The Master Plan of Greater Kansas City."

Reconstruction Program

After a west coast catastrophe, the Southern California Chapter established an advisory committee to assist city officials in a program of reconstruction and planning for the future.

School Planning

AIA Architects are participating in conferences on school planning, for Architects.

Church Problem

Interested in church planning—the Washington State Chapter held a highly successful conference on church architecture of the Northwest, opened it to clergy, laymen and students interested in religious structures.

Jail Construction

The San Francisco Chapter has sponsored open discussions on design, construction and cost of rehabilititating jails in Northern California communities.

New Institute Policy

Inside AIA there has been activity of national public relations import: A new Institute policy encourages Architects to enter the field of development housing. During last year's AIA convention in Seattle, a special session was arranged in collaboration with the National Association of Home Builders and the problems of the architects and builders were discussed. For the first time, examples of Architect-builder development were included in the American Institute of Architects' honor awards.

Washington Mall

One of the Institute's objectives is the elimination of the so-called temporary buildings from the Washington Mall...
Mall—the main monumental area lying between the Capitol and the Lincoln Memorial in the Nation's capital. The Institute strives to maintain the Mall's original magnificence.

The Committee on National Defense urges that the Nation's chief practicable defense against atomic attack is a planned reduction of urban vulnerability. The Committee urged a pilot study of an appropriate metropolitan area to demonstrate the practical application of policies.

New Techniques

AIA is developing techniques and new materials which result in more economical, safer and better school buildings, to alleviate the dire shortage of school buildings.

The United States is currently short some 345,000 public elementary and secondary school classrooms. Three classrooms out of every five are crowded this school year and one out of every five pupils is enrolled in a school house that does not meet minimum fire safety conditions. By 1960, building deterioration and obsolescence will create the need for 425,000 additional classrooms and related facilities. Several of the chapters have published and distributed excellent pamphlets on the subject—(Chapters in North Carolina, Florida and New Hampshire). Other chapters have had conferences and meetings on school construction. The AIA attempts to prevent the abuse of the one-standard design school and to gain public acceptance that Architect-designed schools are better by design and cost.

Basic Problem

The basic problem facing the Architect was stated in a public relations workbook, "Public Relations for the Architect".

The problem facing the Architect in relationship to his public is no conglomeration of small professional bothers or client-architect frustrations; it casts a broader shadow of national proportion.

The nation is growing fast and its people are constantly being hit with a barrage of propaganda and sales material from a thousand sources. The Architect—a valuable member of any community in which these pressures operate—has too often found himself lost behind his own professionalism, unwittingly allowing himself and his profession to be misconstrued, if not forgotten by the community he serves.

"The responsibilities of an architect as a professional man other than conscientiously performing his duties are largely two-fold: First, he has a direct and very personal responsibility to his professional organization. He should recognize this responsibility, not only by becoming a part of the organization through membership, but also by expressing his interest through personal participation in its many worthwhile activities. He should be willing to contribute something of his own personality to the general welfare of the profession. The American Institute of Architects is the only national organization of the profession having for its main objectives the welfare of the profession.

"Secondly, an architect has a responsibility to society which he should willingly and gladly assume through participation in social and civic activities.

AN INSPIRATION

That article in the October issue of Ohio Architect by Rollin Rosser, AIA, retiring president, bears repeating.

"As a parting thought, may I reiterate that the architects should fully realize their responsibility for the standing of the profession in the community, state and nation. We need only to look around us at the accomplishments of other architects to realize that we are members of a profession of which we may be justly proud.

CITY-COUNTY BUILDING
DETROIT, MICHIGAN
Architects—HARLEY, ELLINGTON AND DAY, INC.
General Contractor—BRYANT AND DETWILER, INC.

For the second building in the development of Detroit's notable Civic Center, Vermont marble was again chosen for the exterior stone work. The Veterans' Memorial was constructed three years ago in Danby marble. The City-County Building exterior is being completed in marble from the same quarry. It calls for 190 carloads of Highland Danby, as well as 17 carloads of dark green Ver-Myen Serpentine for contrast in spandrel areas.

22 varieties of colored marbles, domestic and foreign, will be used in the interior. All finishing of both exterior and interior marble will be done in the plants of Vermont Marble Company.
The writer takes this opportunity to extend his wishes for a most successful undertaking. It is realized that the change is one of broad scope, but everyone seems to feel that there will be a successful publication out of our Ohio Architect... In the very near future I will have a "Gleanings From the Secretary" which will pinpoint some of the weaknesses which we of necessity must overcome, and will also cite some of the good things which have been accomplished, things which the average member does not know have been done for him. I will try to have this for some early issue this spring. In the meantime, good luck and wishing you every possible success, I am

Sincerely yours,
Charles J. Marr AIA, Secretary
Architects Society of Ohio
New Philadelphia

COLUMBUS

It has been said that a vice-president should be seen and not heard—but may I break this precedent and wish for the new publisher of the Ohio Architect unlimited success under the stable banner of the architectural profession of the great state of Ohio. May you carry out our well chosen goal, by means of publishing to create better public relations, as have just recently been accorded Ohio architects.

Melvin C. Frank AIA, 1st V.P.
Architects Society of Ohio
Columbus

CAN'TON

Best wishes to you in publishing the Ohio Architect.

We are looking forward to a more interesting and helpful magazine, both for the individual architect and for the profession as a whole.

These new publication arrangements mark a milestone in the work of the Architects Society of Ohio, whose officers and publication committee are to be congratulated.

Sincerely,
Geo. M. Foulks AIA
Canton

CLEVELAND

Architects have benefited generally from the tremendous building boom of recent years. They are likely to prosper in the years immediately ahead. Even with some degree of recession, there will still be large opportunities. Our society is growing. It is my hope that we shall grow in influence. I believe this can be accomplished through our magazine.

I am looking forward to a more effective expression in the area of advanced techniques. The pleasant social news furnished in the past should be continued. But it is my considered opinion that our growth should be advanced in practice and theory.

I am well aware of the problems of the publisher. You have given your best to this aspect of the publication. To further the job of good management, wide cooperation from the membership is needed. If the manager is left with the whole responsibility of representing our professional interests, we have misconceived the publisher's function.

The Ohio Architect is the outlet for live ideas from the local groups. I suggest to all to come to the support of our Ohio Architect, and I hope they will add their appreciation to mine with respect to your efforts on our behalf.

Sincerely,
W. D. Riddle AIA
Cleveland

Regular Feature

Lock of space prevents publishing but a fraction of your many inspiring letters. These will run monthly in this department.

DAYTON

The Ohio Architect is not a new ship but she has had her boilers reconditioned and taken on a new pilot. I want to be in on the "shakedown run".

A trade magazine cannot make a profession but it can do much to be a lighthouse and a log book for us mariners who sail by T-square and triangle.

I am confident that the new tack on our sails will take us to new ports, yet there will be some familiar faces in the old bistros. It would be very easy here to put in that story about the mermaid who laughed and laughed when she saw the marine land on the Virgin Islands. But I guess I won't.

You have landed and have the situation well in hand. I have seen an outline of your plan for the development and publication of the Ohio Architect and I am sure that it will merit our enthusiastic support.

I believe that the profession can look forward to another good year but I do not think we will ever return to "normalcy". The good old days are gone. The launching of the Nautilus—the atom sub—has proven that, and as our existence becomes more complicated, the job of our profession becomes more complex.

Competition will become keener, especially from the "do-it-all" boys and the package deals. We must be alert and realize that things and ideas are all mixed up—topsy-turvy.

In the "good old days" the toilet was placed outdoors at the back of the lot and "mama" did the cooking in the kitchen, but today the warmed and deodorized throne is centered in the house and the "home maker" prepares delightful dishes on the rotisserie en patio. I long for some good ol' "cornbread and sorghum".

Someone said that it is not so important as to what we are in the hereafter as to what we are after here. So, rather than be merely ballast in the galleon, let's give the Ohio Architect an added oar for fifty-four.

Sincerely,
RolUn L. Rosser AIA
Dayton
Here for the first time members of the American Institute of Architects are especially designated with their names printed in black face type and the initials AIA. Those with initials FAIA are known as Fellows of the Institute, which is special recognition given for notable contributions to the advancement of the profession of Architecture in one or more fields; design, science of construction, literature, educational service to the Institute, or public service. In Ohio, 16 architects are Fellows.

In the following roster, all members are designated Architects shown in Black Face Type by the proper title initials following the name.

Names and addresses in this roster are based on information furnished by the Ohio State Board of Examiners of Architects, through their executive secretary, and is not official. The official list of architects registered in Ohio is as published in the Board’s annual report.

Those architects shown as members of the American Institute of Architects are taken from the Membership Directory 1953-54 The American Institute of Architects.
School Saves $15,000 With Flexicore System

Compared to the other fire-resistant, structural systems, Flexicore cut cost of this Massachusetts school by $15,000. Standard concrete units clear-spanned 26' classrooms without intermediate supports. Exposed underside of slabs required only painting to finish; ceiling plaster was eliminated. Hollow cores of Flexicore floor slabs served as air ducts for an economical split-system panel heating.

Slabs Reduce Job Costs
Flexicore's fast, simple erection reduces on-the-job time and labor costs. Slabs are precast to load specifications in exact lengths needed. Rapid placement gives other trades an immediate work deck above and frees area below. For full information, write any of the three Ohio manufacturers listed below.

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TRI-STATE FLEXICORE CO.
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Redwood 9705

People of Inquiring Mind

From the number of people going through the AIA House, the conclusion must be drawn that modern people have an inquiring mind. They are willing to accept a new change in home architecture with modern conveniences in compact space with more floor area set aside for their comfort.

Prices on homes, of course, are the primary concerns of everyone. People's income status play a major role, but they are apparently willing to pay more for modern homes if certain requirements are met such as convenience and comfort.

It has become quite apparent that potential home owners are getting away from the typical row after row of homes, all of the same architectural pattern.

Individuality—The Goal

Individuality—that seems to be the watchword today in home construction. The architect is the only person with the training to give homes that important "individual" touch.

The AIA Home seemed to prove that people definitely wanted a home of that type. The American Institute of Architects with their AIA Home should be the first rung of the ladder to a tremendous educational program.

Changes in Home Architecture

Down through history radical changes in anything have been censured, frowned on, and even persecuted. A tremendous change in home architecture has developed within the past few years. This can be observed by walking down any street. The AIA Home proves that people are ready to accept a change in home design.

Residences an Architectural Market

There seems to be a tremendous opportunity for young architects as well as those established in the field. More people are buying homes. They want a home of their choice, not the same as the one next door.

With the display of the AIA Home, people now, more than ever, realize what can be done by the architect. These people want the architect's ideas. They want modern living with an individual taste. The AIA Home was the first step in fulfilling the modern potential home owner's desire.

( Editor's note — Mr. Lyttle was asked to visit this AIA house and give his reactions as a potential home buyer as well as those of the general public. Congratulations to architect Anthony Ciresi. Orchids to architect Howard Cain, responsible to see that the AIA booth at the show was continually staffed by Cleveland Chapter AIA architects.)

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* Folding doors — Modernfold
* Electric kitchen — Hotpoint
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