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Mount St. John Normal School is a college training center for some 240 young men aspiring to membership in the Society of Mary, a Catholic religious order. In addition to providing educational facilities, the building contains chapel, residence area, dining and recreational facilities. It was one of the primary concerns of the architects to concentrate as much as possible all required facilities so as not to infringe more than necessary on the surrounding landscape. At the same time it was desired to maintain as much as possible the open feeling of that landscape in the building itself. These requirements were achieved by building up rather than out and turning space back upon itself by wrapping the building around interlocking courtyards to bring the landscape within the building itself. A subtle monastic feeling results. The chapel is seen as a central and focal point for all the building, old and new, existing and planned, on the property. The elliptical shape of the edifice visually contrasts with the surrounding rectangular buildings to emphasize the difference between the house of God and the houses of men. The ellipse also affects very favourably the interior arrangement of the chapel. The site occupied by Mount St. John Normal School is a level area in rolling country southeast of Dayton. The building structure is of masonry and reinforced concrete except for the solid masonry walls of the chapel. Extensive landscaped area surrounds the building.

September-October, 1964
NEW AIA MEMBERS

We would like to extend a personal welcome to Robert F. Gutzeit, AIA, Cleveland and Vouldine A. Curtis, AIA, Toledo, who have just become AIA members. Our office stands ready to serve you at any time. Please feel free to call upon us.

ASO BOARD PROPOSES CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Special action of The ASO Executive Board recommended that the following amendment of the constitution be adopted at the forthcoming Annual Meeting.

Article VIII

A. Annual Meeting

1. Time and Place
   a) The Society shall hold an Annual Meeting, the time and place to be fixed by the Board, if not fixed by the preceding Annual Meeting.
   b) The Regional Council shall hold an Annual Meeting, the time and place shall be fixed by the ASO Board, if not fixed by the preceding Annual Meeting.
   c) The Society and Regional Council, may hold a joint Annual Meeting when it is deemed that such a meeting is of greater benefit to the Society and Regional Council, the time and place shall be fixed by the ASO Board.

The present wording of this section of the ASO Constitution is:

Article VIII

A. Annual Meeting

1. Time and Place

The Society shall hold an Annual Meeting, the time and place shall be fixed by the Board, if not fixed by the preceding Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting of the Society shall also be the meeting of the Regional Conference.

This proposed amendment will be presented for acceptance at the ASO Annual Meeting to be held Saturday, September 19, aboard the S.S. South American.

ASO OFFICERS HELD OVER FOR SECOND TERM

The ASO Nominating Committee, at a Workshop Session held in Columbus on August 15, recommended that all officers be held over for one more term. The one exception to this carry over was the office of Secretary, whose second term expires this year. The new secretary as recommended by the committee is Arthur H. Hoag, Jr., AIA, of Hargett-Hoag Associates, Cleveland, Ohio.

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ASO MEMBERS ATTEND ANNUAL MSA MIDSUMMER CONFERENCE

Shown below are: Mrs. Charles Marr; ASO Proxy, Joseph Tuchman, Mrs. Joseph Tuchman, Mrs. Orville Bauer; Ohio Regional Director, Charles J. Marr, and past president; Orville H. Bauer, as they take a brief respite during the Michigan Society of Architect’s 21st Midsummer Conference held at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island. All reports stated that the conference this year was one of the best to date, and those persons shown below obviously had a good time. Distinguished speakers heard by the group included: LeRoy E. Kiefer, Executive in charge of Industrial Design Studios, GMC Styling Staff who’s topic was “Ride Into Tomorrow”, and Edwin F. Toepfer, of the Toepfer Safe and Lock Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin whose topic was “Physical Security versus Aesthetics.”
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Among the several recent high-rise apartment towers erected in Cincinnati is Incline House, with one-hundred and seventeen luxury living units, giving the city its first glass sheathed structure.

From its site at the top of the old Price Hill Incline is offered a sweeping view of Downtown Cincinnati, the Ohio River, the Kentucky hills, and the Mill-creek Valley, directing the Architect to give to each tenant the entire drama and beauty of this view by employing large glass areas in his design. The simplicity of detailing contributes to the carefully articulated form, and makes it the first high-rise apartment tower in Cincinnati to use contemporary design in attracting tenants.

The site was unusually difficult to build upon for it slopes 175 feet from the high point to the low point. The solution places the structure at the crest of the hill with the lobby and entrance at the level of the uphill street. Three basement levels and two levels of parking garage create a massive concrete base protruding from the side of the hill and contrasting strongly the relative lightness of the glass and concrete frame structure placed upon it.

The lobby floor, of which 50% is restaurant area, is set back from the main structure, thereby exposing the columns and further increasing the lightness of the main mass above.

The frame is reinforced concrete using a pan-joint system for the floor framing. The vertical members are left exposed on the exterior. The addition of vertical precast concrete panels extending outward from both sides of the columns and framing each window unit, gives the desired verticality to the building.

A grey tinted glass was used to control the glare and heat, and aid in visual privacy. The color of this glass on the exterior was an important design factor to the Architect. Fresh air grilles are incorporated into the window frame, giving a simple, clean window pattern. Directly behind these grilles, the
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The simple, crisp detailing found on the exterior also carries to the interior. This is accomplished in part by keeping to a minimum the number of materials used, and articulating corners, changes in plane, and changes in materials to clearly express the responsibility of each component. A great deal of intimacy is added to the corridors by the use of a dark stained wood ceiling, and warm colored carpet.

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The church is situated on high ground overlooking a parklike setting, including a large lake. The building is therefore visible from many directions and is the most prominent feature of the surrounding landscape. This exposure, together with the congregation's limited budget and their desire to construct a sanctuary,
as the first phase of their church building program, presented the Architects with a challenging design problem.

It was recognized from the outset that the building would be seen from some distance, and would require a massive facade facing the valley and its lake if the structure were to have any importance in this large scale setting. It was therefore determined that the building should have a high window-wall facing the view, with a steeply pitched single-slope roof eliminating the need for a high wall on the opposite side of the building. In this way the scale of the building is made appropriate for visibility from a distance, while at the same time creating an interior space which directs the occupants attention toward the most attractive view. The resulting angular building form, accentuated by a masonry tower-wall element with a simple cross at its peak, provides an arresting interruption to the sylvan skyline.

Exterior materials consist of rough-sawn redwood boards and split-face concrete block masonry with a composition shingled roof. Used in simple forms and masses; they recall in this building some of the character of the country churches of northern Europe, which are important in the heritage of the Lutheran Church.

The building structure consists of wall-bearing masonry supporting an upper floor of precast concrete decking, a super-structure of laminated wood arches, and a heavy timber roof deck. The rear of the sanctuary is constructed of wood framing so detailed as to permit its removal and relocation at a future date in order to provide for the expansion of the sanctuary. The upper floor is devoted entirely to the place of worship; the lower floor is used for fellowship and Christian education purposes.

Chancel furniture and furnishings were designed by the Architects. This includes pulpit, lectern, altar, baptismal font, cross, psalter, and candleholders. All chandeliers in the sanctuary were constructed by church members from a design by the Architects.

Eventually the building will be expanded to include, in addition to an enlarged sanctuary, extensive additional space for Christian education, Church offices, and a larger fellowship hall. Parking facilities will also be increased. This expansion has been masterplanned in such a way that it may be carried out in a series of four construction phases. If the enthusiastic acceptance of Phase One by the community is any indication, additional construction will not be long in coming.

It is of significance that the building committee and general membership of this church comes from a denominational background which is distinguished throughout the country for the superior architectural design of its buildings. It was quite apparent to the Architects in working with this group that their background and exposure to good architecture earlier in their lives had had an important influence on their attitudes towards the design of this building, and contributed very directly to whatever architectural merit it may have.

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ministration Bldg., and even the million-
dollar remodeling of the interior of Society for Savings Bank.

Mr. Harris died while vacationing in upstate New York, away from his Clearwater, Fla., retirement home. He was 78. Burial was in his native Coshocton, N. Y.

Mr. Harris, who graduated from Cornell University in 1909, retired in 1959.

Survivors include his wife, Estelle; a son, Rodney H.; a daughter, Mrs. John Bodwell, and four grandchildren.

Fred M. Morris, AIA, a member Emeritus of the American Institute of Architects and of the Toledo Chapter, AIA, passed away August 30, 1964, in the Lucas County Home for the Aged at 2101 Arlington Avenue, Toledo, Ohio.

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Friday, September 18, 1964

AFTERNOON
12:00 M - 2:00 p.m.
Board S.S. South American
Cleveland Pier 9 located behind Captain Frank's Restaurant. Departure of S.S. South American
Executive Board meeting
2:30 - 4:30 p.m.
(Ballroom A Deck aft)
2:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Get acquainted party
(Grand Salon C Deck forward)

EVENING
5:00 - 6:45 p.m.
View Educational display of Product Literature
Social Hour
(Lounge C Deck aft)
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Dinner
(Dining Room — Main Deck forward)
8:00 - 9:00 p.m.
View Educational display of Product Literature
Social Hour
(Lounge C Deck aft)
9:00 - ?
Bon Voyage Party
(Veranda Cafe — B Deck aft)
10:00 - 11:00 p.m.
Entertainment
(Grand Salon — C Deck forward)
11:00 - ?
Dancing
(Ballroom A Deck aft)
11:30
Buffet
12:00 Midnight
Pass Port Colbourne

Saturday, September 19, 1964

MORNING
7:00 - 9:00 a.m.
Breakfast
(Dining Room — Main Deck forward)
9:00 a.m. — 12 M
Annual Meeting
(Grand Salon — C Deck forward)

AFTERNOON
12:00 M - 1:00 p.m.
View Educational Display of Product Literature
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12:00 M
Pass Port Weller — Ontario
1:00 - 2:00
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View Educational Display of Product Literature
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EVENING
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
President's Reception
(Ballroom A Deck aft)
7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Annual Banquet
(Dining Room — Main Deck forward)
8:00 p.m.
Pass Port Weller — Ontario
9:00 p.m.
Mr. Fitch — European Slides
(Grand Salon C Deck forward)
9:30 - 12 Midnight
President's Party
(Veranda Cafe — B Deck aft)
9:30 - 12 Midnight
Dancing
(Ballroom — A Deck aft)

Sunday, September 20, 1964

MORNING
7:00 - 9:00 a.m.
Breakfast
(Dining Room — Main Deck forward)
8:00 a.m.
Pass Port Colbourne
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
Worship Services
10:30 - 12:30 a.m.
Seminar
(Grand Salon C Deck forward)

AFTERNOON
11:30 - 12:30 p.m.
Ladies' luncheon
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Mr. Fitch’s travel and research includes a Housing Study with Henry Wright and Clarence Stein, New York, a William Kinne Fellows Grant at Columbia University, for a study of Byzantine monuments in Italy, Greece, Turkey in 1959. And his travel and study in the preservation of historic monuments in Middle Europe, Middle East, Africa in 1962-63.

Fitch has written for the Walter Gropius Publication in 1960 which was translated to Italian in 1961 and then into German in 1962. He also wrote an article on Architecture and the Esthetics of Plenty for The Columbia University Press, New York in 1961. He has written articles in many American and European periodicals and has had numerous papers read before scholarly societies.


George McCue, Art Critic for The St. Louis Post-Dispatch, was born in Lipscomb, Texas, May 13, 1910 and has lived in the middle west all his life. His work has taken him to residences in Texas, Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, and Missouri. Most of his life time has been spent in Missouri, where he has lived in Hannibal, St. Louis, Brookfield, Springfield and Jefferson City.

Mr. McCue holds a Bachelor of Journalism from the University of Missouri, and his first professional experience was on a country paper at Brookfield. He then became affiliated with the Associated Press in Jefferson City, where he covered City Hall and County offices. Mr. McCue wrote editorials and was Sunday City Editor at Springfield. He then took the assignment of reporter for the now defunct Star Times, after which he worked with the Post Dispatch where he covered criminal courts. He spent eleven years with Sunday Pictures (spot) Magazine, including three years as assistant editor. Mr. McCue was appointed Art Critic in 1956, with the understanding that architecture and urban planning was included in purview.

George McCue has been honored with two first prizes, and one second in AIA Architectural Journalism Competition. He was made an Honorary Associate of the St. Louis Chapter, AIA in 1959 and an Honorary member of the American Institute of Architects in 1964. He has taken part in AIA Journalism seminars at Columbia University, Lexington, St. Louis, Baton Rouge, Eugene, Oregon, and San Francisco.
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