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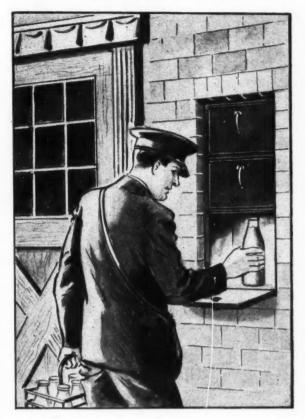
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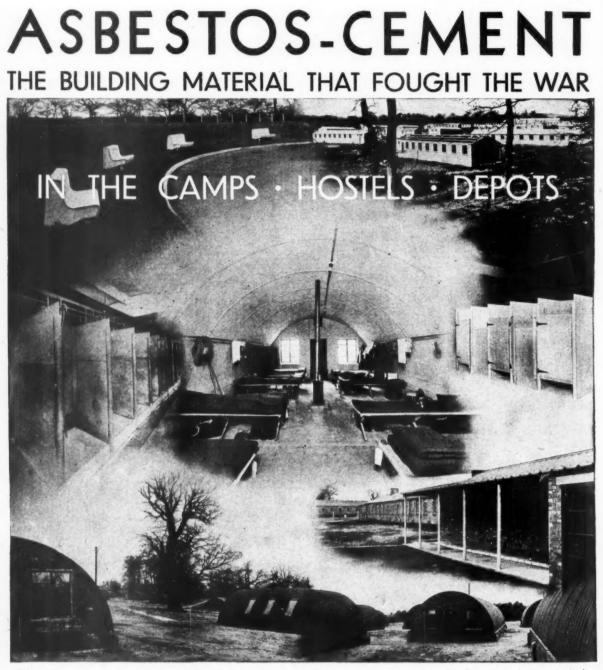
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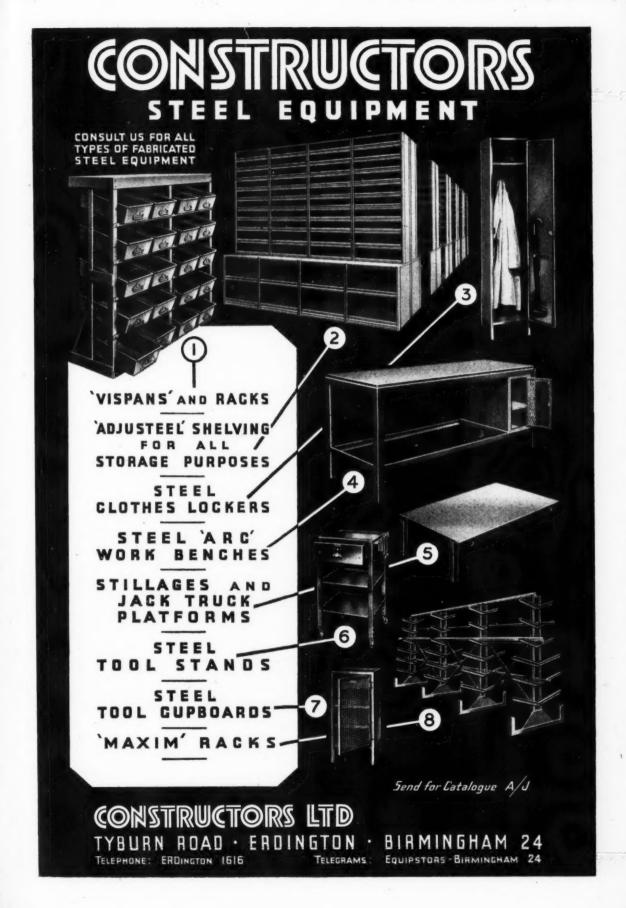
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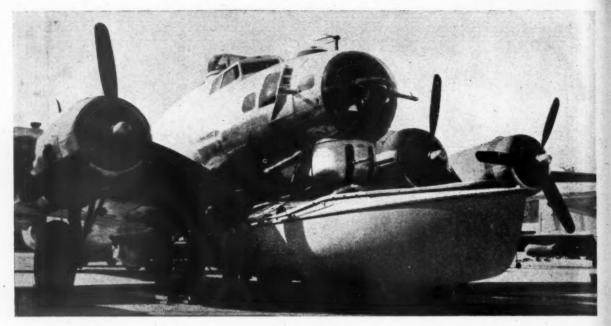
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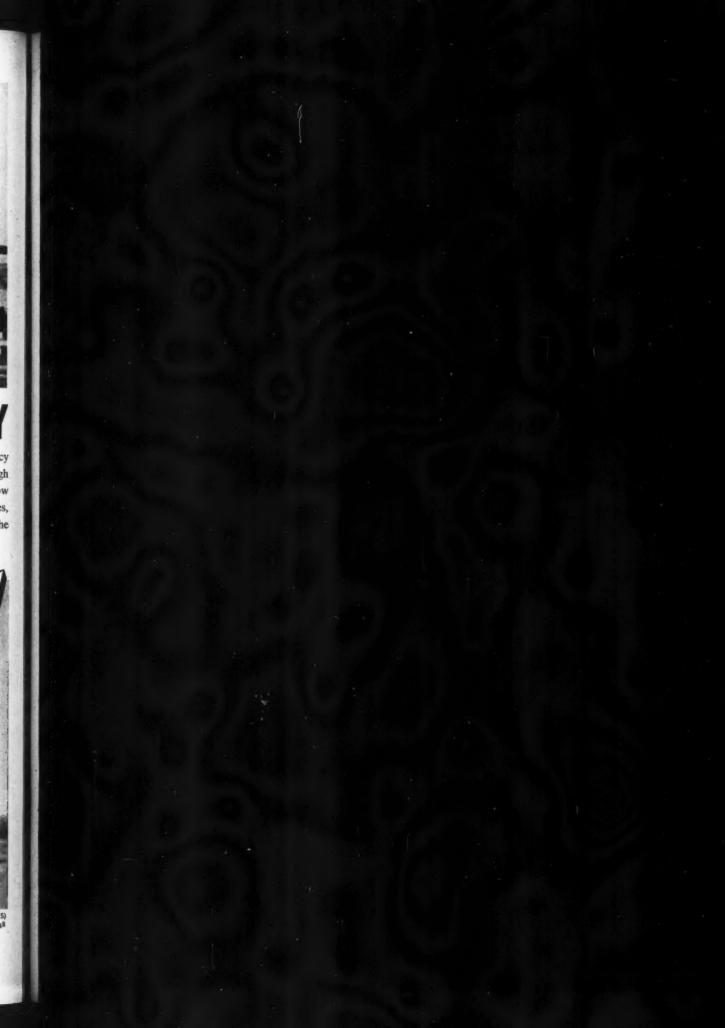
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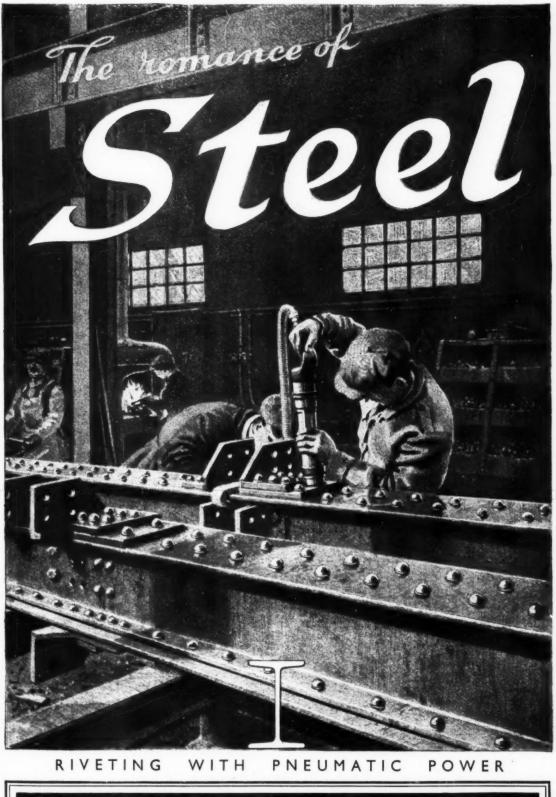
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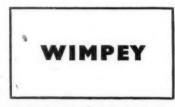
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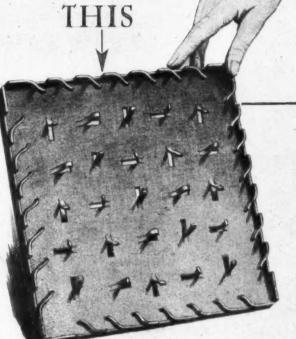
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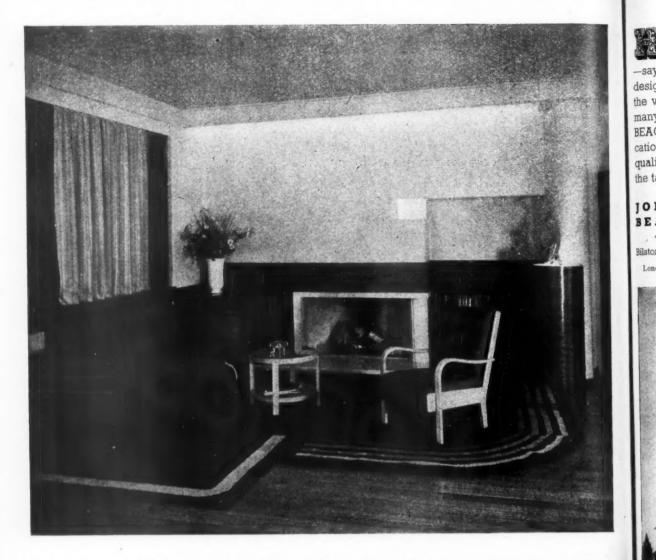
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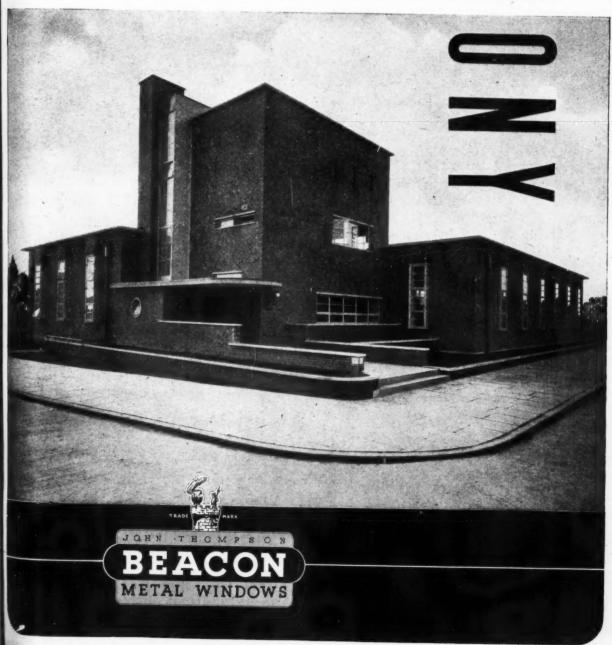
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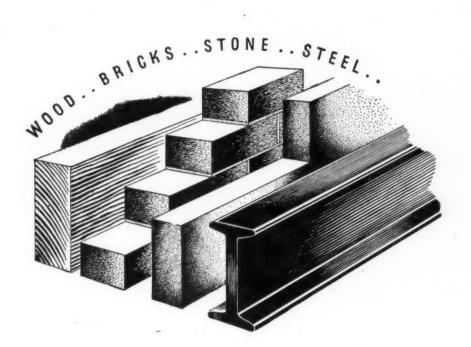
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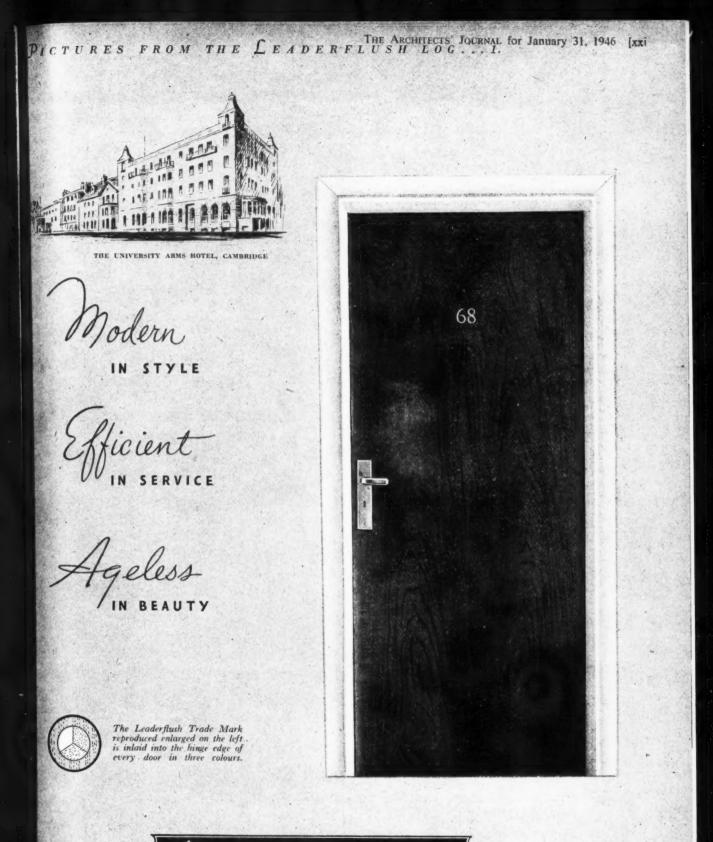
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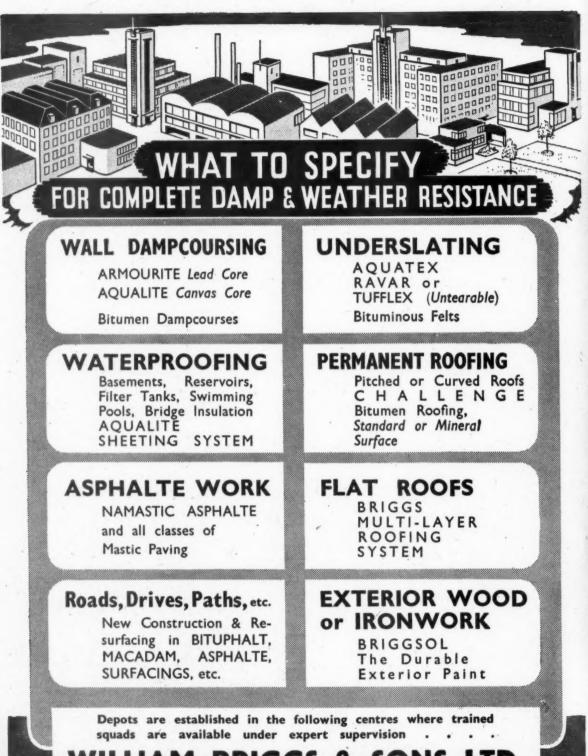


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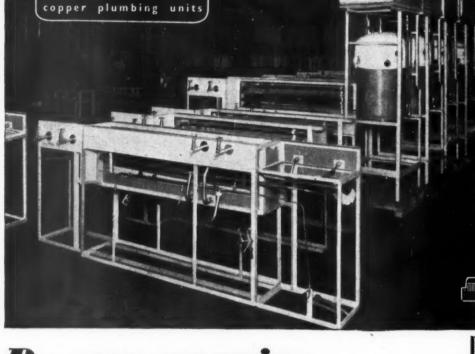
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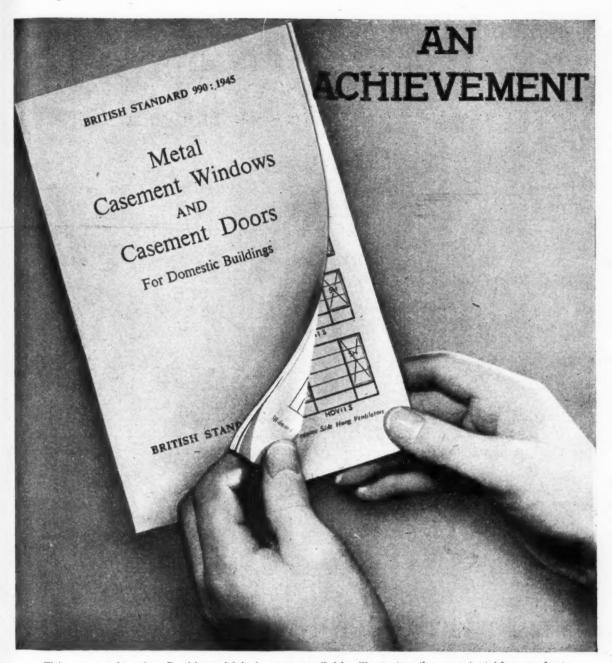


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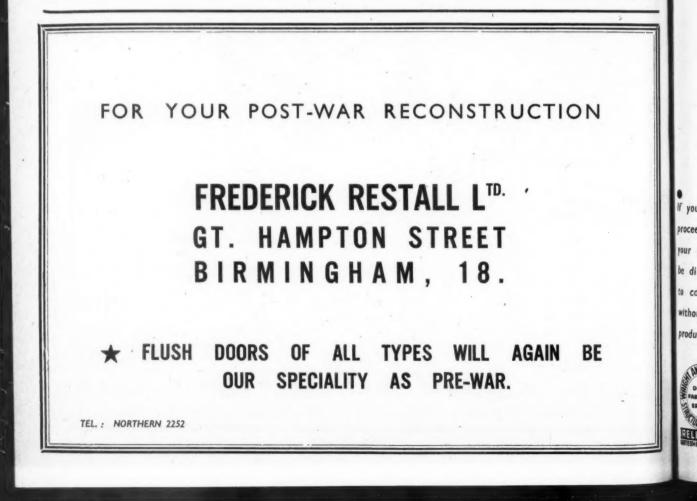
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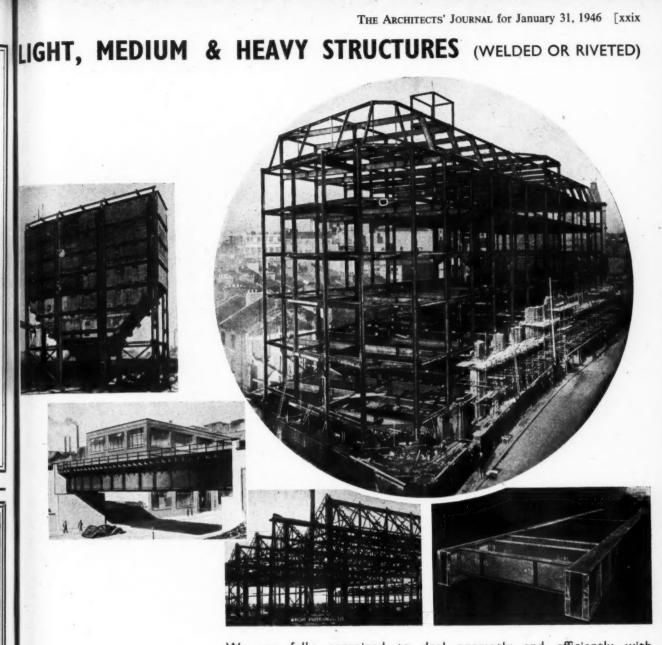
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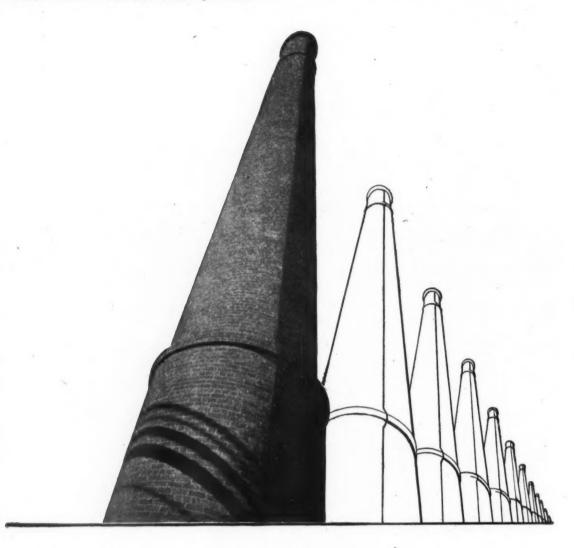
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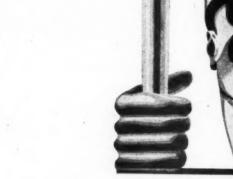
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Annual Luncheon of British Refrigeration Association. At Connaught Rooms, Great Queen Street, W.C.2. Principal Guest, Rt. Hon. John Wilmot, M.P., Minister of Supply. 12.45 p.m. for 1.15 p.m. FEB. 14 A. G. G. Thompson, Medical Officer of Health for Lambeth. Land Utilization in Relation to the Public Health. Chadwick Public Lecture. At the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, 26, Portland Place, W.1. 2.30 p.m. FEB. 19 Max Lock. Surveys and Their Practical Application to Planning. At the Livingstone Hall, Broadway, Westminster. S.W.1. (Sponsor, TPI.) 6 p.m. FEB. 21 Miss Jacqueline Tyrwhitt. Planning in Canada. At the Town and Country Planning Association, 28, King Street, Covent Garden, W.C.2. (Sponsor, TCPA.) 1-15 p.m. FEB. 21. Stormont Murray. Eric Gill; His Life and Work. At the International Arts Centre, 3, Orme Square, Bayswater Road, W.2. (Sponsor, IAC.) 8 p.m. MAR. 1 J. F. Bickerton and Petros Protopapadakis. Layout of Passenger Stations. At the Institution of Civil Engineers, Great George Street, S.W.1. (Sponsor, ICE.) 5.30 p.m. FEB. 26

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Maurice B, Reckitt. The Polls and the Citizen. At the Town and Country Planning Association, 28, King Street, Covent Garden, W.C.2. (Sponsor, TCPA.) 1.15 p.m.. MAR. 7.

Garden, W. K. Mar. 7. p.m. G. L. E. Metz and R. L. Davies. The Electrical Engineering Industry in The Post-War Economy. At the Institution of Electrical Engineers, Savoy Place, Victoria Embankment, W.C.2. (Sponsor, IEE.) 5.30 p.m. Mar. 7 S OUTHEND-ON-SEA. R. Nicholas. Town Planning for The People's Needs

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W. R. Arnold Whittick. How Can All This be Managed? Last of six lectures on Town Planning and Housing. At the School of Art, Dowsett Avenue. (Sponsor, Southend-on-Sea Municipal College.) 7.15 p.m. FEB. 25

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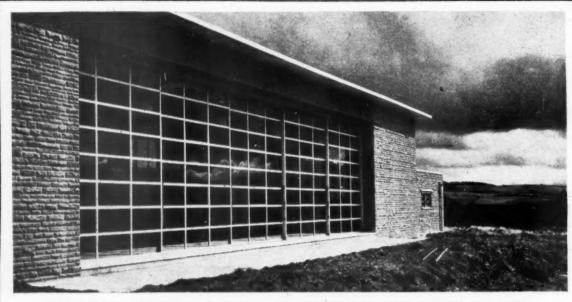
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★★ means important news, for reasons which may or may not be obvious.

Any feature marked with more than two stars is very big building news indeed.

The Ministry of Works has let THE FOUNDATIONS CONTRACT OF THE CHAMBER OF THE NEW HOUSE OF COMMONS to Messrs. Trollope and Colls, Ltd. Tenders for the superstructure contract will be invited at a later date.

The Ministry of Health has decided upon the maximum amounts of TIMBER TO BE USED FOR NEW DWELLINGS erected by local authorities. rected by total databased of the Ministry of Health has decided that, except as regards softwood for multiple tenement flats, the maximum amounts of timber for all purposes which can be tenement hats, the maximum amounts of timber for all purposes which can be allowed for new dwellings erected by local authorities should be as follows:—(a) Soft-wood, two standards per 1,000 superficial ft. floor area; (b) Plywood, 450 sq. ft. per dwelling; (c) Hardwood, 10 cu. ft. per dwelling. The Minister is satisfied that it will often be possible to use less than the per-mitted amounts of timber without detriment to sound and efficient building. e.g., in con-nection with special methods of construction in floors and roofs; and savings should be effected wherever possible. The softwood requirements for multiple tenement flats will be dealt with on the merits of each particu-lar scheme. As regards hardwood, sufficient home-grown hardwood for a 10-ft. length per house of close-boarded fencing, not exceeding 6 ft. in height, may be allowed, as an extra to the amount specified in paragraph 2(c) in special cases, to give privacy. Timber Control Area officers can sanction home-grown hardwood fence posts for site enclosure.



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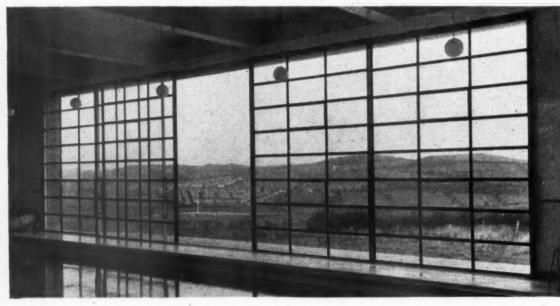
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AN ARCHITECT'S Commonplace Book From

ON THE TENEMENT. [From An Autobiography by Frank Lloyd Wright (Faber and Faber).] Along with such skyscraper solution-by-picture of uptown confusion worse confounded as this modernistic myopia, there now goes the vexing problem of the tenement. This extensive would-be beneficent government "housing of the poor." Yes, the poor are not only to be with us always, but the poor are to be recognized and multiplied *per st* as such . . . The poor are to be *built in* That the poor will benefit by increased sanitation may be granted at a glance. But, not only are the living quarters of the poor to be more germ-proof, but life itself where individual choice is concerned is to be rendered antiseptic. If we trust our eyes . . . And the poor man's life is to be concerned is to be rendered office—No. 36722, block 99, shelf 17, entrance K, with a few twists and turns thrown in to distract attention from the fact. The "poor" man gets a bath-tub and a flower-box, a patch of lawn, but what Freedom to say and believe what he says, were he to say his soul is his own? Yes, there he is, the poor man. No longer in a rubbish heap. No. Nor can the poor—thus made surface-and-mass of the great institution of poverty individually (or collectively for that matter) choose anything æsthetically alive to live with. At least not if neighbours and landlords can see that he has it. But the "social" objective is attained . . . the dirty rags of the poor have been temporarily covered from sight by a clean smock.

** On January 15 the RIBA Council ratified its decision taken at the meeting held on October 16, 1945 to revise clause 7 of the scale of PROFESSIONAL CHARGES, by the substitution of the word seven for the word five. The Clause now reads as follows:-7. *Time Charges.* In cases in which charges are based upon time occupied the minimum fee is seven guineas per day exclusive of charges for Assistant's time.

Mr. Chi Ziang Chen, B. Arch., Liverpool, is TO REPLAN Liverpool, is TO REPLAN PEIPING, CHINA. Mr. Chi Ziang Chen, who has been study-ing architecture and town-planning in Britain as a British Council scholarshipholder, has been appointed Senior Technical holder, has been appointed Senior Technical Expert in charge of the replanning of the city of Peiping and will be leaving for China to take up his appointment as soon as possible. Mr. Chen, who is 29, is a native of Fenghwa, Chekiang Province. He took the degree of B.A. (Architecture) and the Diploma of Civic Design at the Uni-versity of Liverpool School of Achitecture, and was President of the University Archi-tectural Society. He has since been study-ing town-planning under Professor Sir Pating town-planning under Professor Sir Pat-rick Abercrombie at University College, London. He has drawn up plans for the rebuilding of the blitzed areas of Liverpool's Chinatown which are under con-sideration.

The Association of Building Technicians has won an important REINSTATEMĖNT case at Bournemouth. An important case, said to be the first of its kind, was decided by the Reinstatement Committee at Bournemouth on January 17. Committee at Bournemouth on January 17. Mr. Wilfred Albert Summers, a quantity surveyor in the Borough Engineer's Depart-ment of the County Borough of Bourne-mouth and a member of the Association of Building Technicians, applied under the Reinstatement in Civil Employment Act, 1944, for reinstatement in the employment which he had before he entered upon war which he had before he entered upon war

service. The case was taken up by the Association of Building Technicians, and Mr. Stephen Murray appeared as Counsel for Mr. Summers. The Bournemouth Corporation was presented by Mr. Morris, Assistant Solicitor to the Corpora-tion. Evidence was given that Mr. Sum-mers had been employed from 1937 to August 1939 as a quantity surveyor his tion. Evidence was given that Mr. Sum-mers had been employed from 1937 to August, 1939, as a quantity surveyor, his salary in 1939 being £350 per year. He was called up in the Territorial Army in August, 1939 and was demobilized in October, 1945. Upon applying for reinstatement the Borough Engineer offered him his pre-war salary plus £59 16s. Od. cost-of-living bonus (which was applicable to all em-ployees of the Corporation). It was con-tended for Mr. Summers that had he re-mained in employment instead of going into the army he would have had rises of salary taking him up to £450 per year, plus into the army he would have had rises of salary taking him up to £450 per year, plus cost-of-living bonus. It appeared that other employees in the Borough Engineer's Department who were junior in service to Mr. Summers had had their salaries sub-stantially increased during the war owing to an increase in the responsibilities put upon them. The Committee found that the former employers had not dischared their former employers had not discharged their obligations under the Act, Section 4 (1), as to terms and conditions. The Committee ordered that the County Borough of Bournemouth should make employment available to Mr. Summers upon the following terms and conditions, viz.: that as from January 18, 1946, the County Borough of Bourne-mouth should pay to the applicant a salary

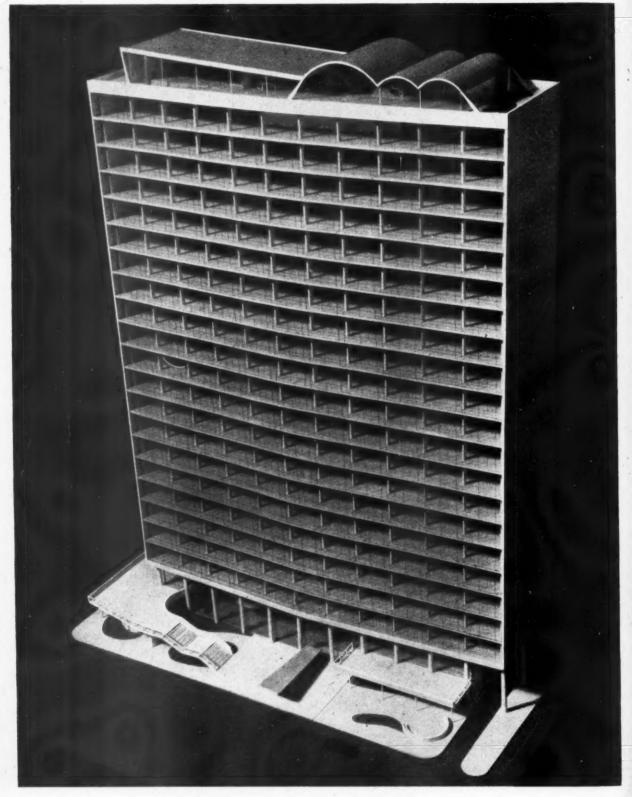
of £450 per year plus cost-of-living bonus of £59 16s. Od. The Committee further ordered that the County Borough of Bournemouth should pay to Mr. Summers the sum of £20 by way of compensation for the loss suffered by him. Leave was given to appeal.

The Board of Trade is proposing to lay an Order before Parliament in the near future with a view to SCHEDULING TWO NEW AREAS AS DEVELOP-AREAS MENT under the Distribution of Industry Act. The areas concerned are: 1. The Borough of Wrexham and certain adjoining districts. of Wrexham and certain adjoining districts. 2. The county boroughs of Wigan and St. Helens and certain nearby districts. The Wrexham Development Area, it is sug-gested, should be managed by the existing Welsh Trading Estate Company under the Chairmanship of Col. Gerald Bruce, who will make suitable arrangements for local representation. An entirely new Govern-ment-financed Trading Estate Company is proposed to manage the Wigan St. Helens Development Area, and Mr. George Gibson has consented to become the Chairman. Mr. Gibson is Chairman of the North West Regional Board of the Board of Trade. Regional Board of the Board of Trade.



Greenlands, Henley-on-Thames, has been offered by Lord Hambledon and accepted by the Governors of the new Administrative Staff College. Built for the greater part in 1871, the house faces an unspoiled stretch of the Thames. At the Staff College, young administrators from the Civil Service, local government service, industry and trades unions who give promise of becoming future leaders, will acquire a knowledge of the basic principles of leadership, organization and administration and an insight into the methods and ideas of each other.

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Brazil's Latest

Model of the design for the central offices of the Rio Grande do Sul Railway soon to be erected in Rio. The design, a competition winner, is by Reidy and Moreira. Brazil is having something of an architectural renaissance, other recent examples of which are illustrated in this week's issue. As can be seen, the principal material is reinforced concrete,

and the intelligent and up-to-date codes of practice and bylaws governing its use are important factors in forming the characteristic light and elegant plasticity of contemporary architecture in Brazil. That we have something to learn from that country in this respect is pointed out in this week's leading article. At of IN. foll of Com Beau Eric Hav land tive: Dutti berd

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Middlesbrough Corporation General Purposes Committee has ACCEPTED THE MAX LOCK MASTER PLAN in principle. It was made clear that acceptance did not mean agreement necessarily to all details of the proposals. The accepted resolution moved by Ald. E. Turner, leader of the Labour Group, was as follows: (1) That the master plan prepared by Mr.

(1) That the master plan prepared by Mr. Max Lock be accepted in principle by the Council as the guide for the future reconstruction and development of Middlesbrough.

(2) That in the implementation of the plan, the Council shall have regard to the financial resources and physical circumstances obtaining from time to time, and any future changes in the duties and responsibilities of the Council.

(3) That the areas zoned in the plan for new houses be approved, and the implementation thereof proceeded with immediately, subject to any variations which do not conflict with No. 1 and subject to the general reservations contained in No. 2. (The Max Lock Master Plan was fully described and illustrated in the *Architects' Journal* for August 2, 1945.)

Builders The London Master Association has set up a committee to consider the PROBLEMS OF THE MAINTENANCE BUILDER. A Maintenance Builders' Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Phillip Smallwood, has been set up by the London Master Builders' Association. It has been formed in answer to a demand from some of the Association's members that their particular problems, differing as they do from those of the average of the builder the builder builders of the contract builders, the house-builders, and the many other types of builders who meet round the Council table of the LMBA, require special consideration. Each of the eleven areas has nominated a representative, and the committee will be strengthened tive, and the committee will be strengthened by two members of the Administrative Com-mittee, Messrs. A. J. Chapman, J.P., and J. A. Birch, with, when contract matters are under discussion, Mr. W. H. Gough-Cooper, the Chairman of the Contracts' Committee. The Committee will meet once a month. Members are still free, said Mr. G. H. A. Hughes, Director of LMBA, to represent points of difficulty on maintenance matters direct to the Association, but the establishment of the new Committee should establishment of the new Committee should save much of the Administrative Com-mittee's time by studying the problems in advance and making the recommendations to the Administrative Committee. The Maintenance Builders' Committee will not have itself have any executive powers. All recommendations and resolutions from it will go to the Administrative Committee.

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LESSONS FROM BRAZIL

I N this issue we publish an article containing a series of photographs illustrating reinforced-concrete buildings in

Brazil. They give impressive evidence of the high standard of architectural design there, particularly in reinforced concrete. When these pictures and others of buildings in Rio were shown in a lecture given by Madame Carmen Portinho, Regional Chief Engineer of Rio, at the IAAS last autumn, some members of the audience found it difficult to believe that the skyscrapers were in reinforced concrete and not in structural steel, so light and elegant was their form. Indeed, it is unlikely that a twenty-storey building would be erected in this country in any other material but structural steel.

The high degree of development of reinforced-concrete technique in South America was the subject of a series of articles recently published in *Engineering News-Record*, the leading USA technical journal.* One of the reasons for this development is the importation of structural steel to South America, which has stimulated the use of reinforced concrete through competition. In this respect the situation is opposite to that in this country and the USA, where structural steel has an old tradition, and reinforced concrete, as the younger material, has had, and still has, to struggle against a well-entrenched, well-organized and very powerful industry.

This, however, is only one side of the picture. Another formative factor in South America has been the influence of adventurous European architects and engineers who came to Brazil at the time when reinforced concrete was new in that country. Brazil offered them scope and opportunity. Even to-day the textbooks used in the colleges are, for the most part, French and German. South American engineers, moreover, are consistent students of mathematics, and indeterminate design methods are universally used.

A further important factor is the code situation. The engineers of Brazil have organized the ABNT (Brazilian Association of Engineering Codes) and this group has issued the six Brazilian codes on the calculation and erection of structures. These codes are used in all engineering work.

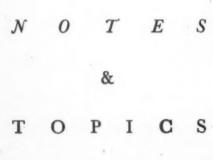
The code favours the use of reinforced concrete and permits many things unheard of in the USA and in this country, although the permissible stresses and specified design loads are not very different. One interesting feature of the Brazilian code is a clause that permits design on the ultimate strength basis. Everyone who has actually used the new method states that it is easier to apply and that a saving in cost follows. It may be of interest to add that in USSR a method based on the ultimate strength is the only one which is in official use. Among other advantages this method gives much greater scope in the use of high tensile steel than is possible through the standard method of design.

It is here that we can learn from Brazil. The influence of • See Inf. Centre Nos. 1859, 5.4.45 : 2043, 9.8.45 : 2120, 2749.45. 102] THE ARCHITECTS' JOURNAL for January 31, 1946

a code on building, good or bad, cannot be overestimated. A new Code of Practice for Reinforced Concrete is badly needed, and one is, indeed, now being prepared. It is essential that the new code should be adopted as a National Code and that loads and stresses should not vary with local by-laws. Flexibility and adaptability to technical developments are two other fundamental requirements. It would be regrettable if the new code adhered to the standard method as the only one permissible. There are still voices in the technical press opposing the new method and suggesting instead an increase in permissible stresses as the remedy for the deficiencies of the traditional method of design. This is contrary to the interests both of the public and the reinforced concrete industry. The whole conception of permissible stresses is obsolete and the Brazilian way of tolerating both the old and the new method seems to be a sound compromise between an ultra-conservative adherence to tradition and the Russian way of radical liquidation of a method which apparently still attracts many designers in this country.



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CRITIC ON THE HEARTH

The section of the new MOW Study Report by the Heating and Ventilating Reconstruction Committee includes an interesting discussion on the modes of heating private houses and the public's views on the various available methods. Their poll on central heating reminds one of some of the solemn enquiries made by American Universities on the simpler habits of mankind, for example

the one that canvassed America on why people put sugar in their tea.

The answer, because they liked the taste, is very like the answer of those who opt for the open fire. After all, it is the one method of keeping warm in a house that they know best. The surprising thing about the poll is that 34 per cent. of those questioned were in favour of central heating. If the sample chosen was a true average of all householders, it is certain that the number who want central heating far exceeds the number who have it. In short, mankind is conservative and usually prefers what it has, on the general principle that a fire in the hearth is worth ten boilers in the catalogue.

But I doubt if it would be wise to plan our housing on the basis that even 21 per cent., the figure of the poll, is permanently opposed to central heating. True, there is a very attractive quality about a fire and, ideally, an open fire should be classed among the decorative features of the house. For too long now we have mistakenly regarded it as having some utilitarian purpose. It is like the bowl of flowers that all good housewives will have in the living room. A bowl of flowers is utilitarian in the sense that it gives off an agreeable perfume, but if you wish to give a room a definite scent, you buy a mechanical contraption that really will

fill the room with as much scent as you desire. The main purpose of the bowl of flowers is to look nice. So with the open fire.

Almost as a by-product, it does give a sensation of heat to those who sit or stand close to it, but to argue that it really warms the room effectively is to argue against the known facts of life. It does nothing of the kind. Perhaps one day when those dream grates of the Coal Utilization Council come on the market we may have to revise our opinion. Even then the client of sense will sooner forgive the architect the absence of a staircase than overlook the omission of that little boiler and that unobtrusive, but oh so important, string of pipes.

Even the architecture of destruction has its orthodoxy. But it isn't often that a bomb sticks to the rules as closely as the one which fell near the church of Navestock, Essex, stripping the weather-boarding off the belfry and leaving the timber frame exposed yet unscathed. Although of course that is exactly what blast *ought* to do in such a case, it is odd that it should have done it.

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The pair of photographs showing the church before and after this demonstration of Teutonic pedantry—surely the second should become a standard textbook illustration?—is taken from the recently published ninth Report of the Central Council for the Care of Churches, which is called Salving the Art Treasures of the Church and costs half-a-crown.

Since the last CCCC report was published in 1940, a section of this is devoted to a summary of war damage. The omission from the list of blitzed London churches of St. John's, Smith Square, gave me a moment's disquiet. Remembering the old joke about the supine elephant, which (for some reason best known to the Freudians) gets applied to any building with four towers or four chimneys, could the Cou St. . ing prej

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Other sections make less gloomy reading. There is an account of the Council's photographic survey, so generously contributed to by amateur photographers all over the country, an encouraging tale of derelict churches taken in hand, sensible advice for incumbents on the repair of war damage, and articles on The Restoration of Ancient Plaster Ceilings, Loudspeakers and Acoustic Problems, and Wall Surfaces.

The last-mentioned, by Dr. F. C. Eeles, reinforces the lesson of painful observation, that what a great many churches need as much as care is cure —cure from the various skin-complaints inflicted on them in the last century. If only the CCCC had existed then, it would not now be so.

ASTRAGAL





Navestock Church, Essex, before and after air-raid damage. An example of an Essex wood belfy construction from Salving the Art Treasures of the Church. See As tr a g a l's comment.



LETTERS

E. R. B. Roberts

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Railway Coaches

Sirk,—With regard to Astragal's notes on railway coaches. Although the recent questionnaire of the LNER on the design of new coaches showed that 58.2 per cent. of the replies received voted for compartment carriages, as against 40 per cent. who preferred open saloon coaches, the latter figure will undoubtedly be much improved on when the public get more use to them. Saloon coaches are still very much of a novelty on many parts of the lines, and one certainly does not hear of people wanting compartments on motor-coaches, buses and trams.

In North and South American countries, all trains—including suburban—are composed almost exclusively of saloon coaches, with central aisle and reversible seats in pairs, through which passengers can walk, much more easily than with our side corridors (which demand an extra partition), from one end of the train to the other, excepting the vans. No connecting doors between coaches are locked. The extra partition hampers people carrying suitcases, etc.

The reversible seats enable four passengers either to face each other, or sit back to front in pairs. In the former case, a space is left between one of the seats and the following one, in which to store small parcels. The reversible seats also overcome the embarrassing situation, which ladies and American visitors dislike, of having to sit face to face, and almost knee to knee, with people they have never seen in their lives before. Nor can they move to another part of the compartment coach as they can do with the saloon, to escape unwelcome attentions.

A particular advantage of the complete corridor train is that it largely overcomes the difficulty of short platforms, by enabling longer trains to be run. Passengers are able pass through to coaches standing outside the platform-even after the train has started-and can make their way back to the central coaches to alight at the platform before the train reaches its destination. The fact that a longer train, with more passengers, can be run is, of course, an important consideration to the railway company.

company. Tickets can also be collected on the train —giving the guards something to do. This not only saves the time of unnecessary ticket-collectors at every station, but makes every station open. One of the reasons for the unpopularity of British railways with the public is, undoubtedly closed stations. In other countries, even non-travellers enter the stations quite freely, have their breakfasts, lunches, teas and dinners in the refreshment room, and use the cloak-rooms, slot machines and shops. ainners in the refreshment room, and use the cloak-rooms, slot machines and shops, just as though they were on the streets and roads waiting for buses. The platforms of country stations form regular parade grounds in the evenings for young ladies and their beaux. They often make short trips by train, patronise the refresh-ment rooms etc. In all these directions ment rooms, etc. In all these directions much good business is lost by our railways. In the accident to the Leighton Buzzard train, in which some boys were burnt to death (which would not have happened if the coaches had been saloon-corridor), it was stated that, of the 17 coaches no fewer than five had luggage compartments. doors between coaches were locked, because the company had no spare guard to keep an eye on the goods. The LMSR alone had received claims for over £1,000,000 of stolen goods. Partitions simply trap passengers in

the event of an accident. In American countries, all parcels and luggage vans are attached to the front of the train. Being inaccessible to passengers, nothing is lost through pilferage. If the train is divided *en route*, it is only a matter



of trees on a housing estate at Surrey. See letter from Paul Avenue See letter from Paul Ewell, Brewster.

of shunt to detach the van corresponding to the left part. Much of the traffic carried in these vans abroad consists of what is called *smalls* goods in England. A couple of men travel in the vans and sort the traffic for its quick unloading at the next for the traffic for its quick unloading at the next station.

Reverting to the American saloon coaches, some of them have a partition (with door) across the centre—dividing it for ladies or non-smokers. A compartment corridor coach is also attached to some trains. This is called a family coach. Anyone can reserve a compartment by paying for five out of the six seats. As fares are only about one-third what they are in England,

built one time which we are used to be added to be add coaches, which get much dirtier on the roads. The interest of every child—young or old—would be stimulated, and start them inventing names for their favourite trains-Blue Bird, Red Dragon, White Lady, Yellow Peril, etc.

Still another improvement would be the Shift another improvement would be the introduction of double-decked coaches, which are actually used on some railways abroad. Although this would demand the raising of some bridges and tunnels by two or three feet, the task would be small compared with the original one of constructing them, when traffic to meet the interest on the cost were insignificant compared with the cost were insignificant compared with those available to-day. The carrying capacity of suburban lines, in particular, would be doubled. Overcrowding would be avoided, and season-ticket rates cut by half—thus reducing the heavy toll of acci-dents by drawing traffic off the streets and roads of every large town. An ordinary railway train can carry more passengers than 20 double-deck motor-buses. Conse-quently, its fares and season-ticket rates should be less than half as much. St Neots

E. R. ROBERTS.

Trees in Cities

SIR,-With regard to your frontispieces Trees Create Street Unity, I would like to point out that gracious avenues of spread-ing trees are a feature of a housing estate at Ewell, Surrey, planned by Davis Estates, whose policy it is that every estate should have a garden atmosphere. Where there are existing trees and shrubs,

the estate is as far as possible planned and built round them; and where there are no trees, they are planted. Most suitable are trees, they are planted. Most suitable are flowering trees which are not too tall— averaging 20-25 feet—so that they do not overshadow the houses.

At the company's estate at Vernon Drive, Harrow Weald, it was feared that a row of majestic elms would have to be condemned. Experts were called in by Davis to examine them and they were then carefully and skil-fully pruned. To-day the elms line one of the most pleasant roadways on the estate. When an estate was laid out at Petts Wood,

birches were saved and they still flourish on the grassy verges of the roads. Few trees grew on the site which the com-

pany acquired at Hampton Court. This estate fringes on a by-pass, and a screen of trees was planted to cut it off from the main road. Flowering cherry trees and shrubs give the estate a gardenlike setting. The company reserve an open space on an estate wherever it is practicable and plant it out as a communal garden. This is paid for by the company and the complete gar-den then offered to the appropriate local

authority. In the past this gesture has been greatly appreciated by progressive councils. Before the war competitions were held among the owners of Davis Houses for

attractive front gardens, and the company offered substantial cash prizes. These com-petitions will be revived when conditions allow

A housing estate, Mr. Arthur Davis main-tains, should be more than a collection of houses, it should be a pleasant place to live in. It should, in fact, be a garden estate. London. PAUL BREWSTER

Labour Shortage

SIR,—When I was on holiday I was very much intrigued to see this very fine staircase being built (see photographs), especially as it leads off the front at Lyme Regis to a sort of derelict platform about fifteen feet square.

Having built the staircase and rendered it, three men spent their mornings on the beach picking up round stones in a sort of sledge. Then the expert craftsman pushed the stones into the wet rendering.

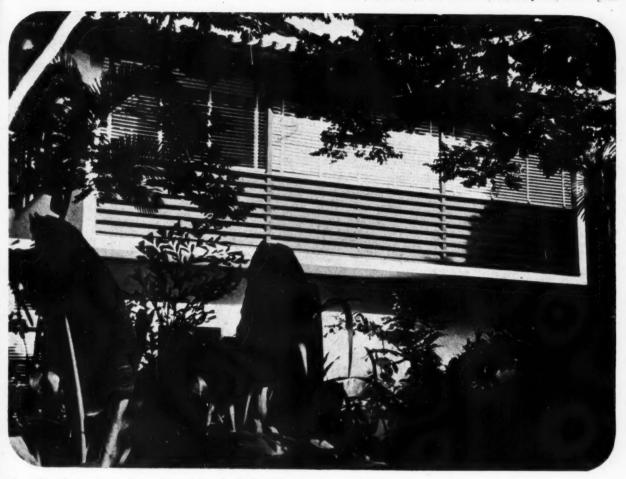
A good job of work for four men for something over a fortnight. London

W. C. LESLIE-CARTER



Left, staircase at Lyme Regis and right, craftsman pushing stones into the wet rendering. See letter from W. C. Leslie Carter.





An architect's own house designed by Alcides da Rocha Miranda

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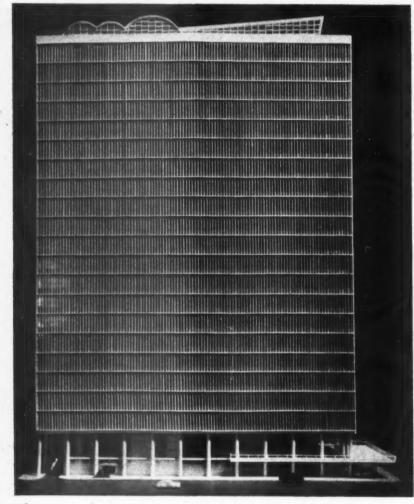
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SOME NEW ARCHITECTURE I N B R A Z I L TRENDS DISCUSSED AND EXAMPLES DESCRIBED BY SIDNEY LOWETH

Experiments in a small way in architectural design were first made in Brazil about ten years after the end of the last war, when the opportunities afforded by a building boom were seized upon by a few enthusiasts to break away from the Portuguese Baroque and other traditional styles of building. This new movement built up strength in a quiet way until it burst upon the world with a maturity which seemingly succeeded in avoiding the usual gaucheries of adolescence. Brazilian architecture has continued to develop throughout the last six years (Brazil being luckily free of war damage) and having made its mark is now assured of a brilliant future; its buildings promise to be the equal of any erected in other parts of the world. The modern school of Brazilian architects have indeed put into practice the phrase so often quoted by the late Professor Lethaby, "that we should build with the spirit of adventure." This movement was influenced in its embryo stage by the visit to Brazil of Le Corbusier some years ago. His well-known theories of design and construction (greatly aided by the local conditions) proved particularly attractive to the school of young Brazilian architects.

Principally through publications, aided by foreign travel and studies, the country was made aware of the leading achievements of architecture abroad, and whilst many



Above: the north side of the model of the central offices of the Rio Grande do Sul Railway, soon to be built in Rio de Janeiro. The design which won first place in competition is by Affonso Eduardo Reidy and Jorge Machado Moreira. It has the typical Brazilian sunbreakers. Below, a sketch of the ground floor.

or veneered with stone, marble slabs, or brightly coloured tiles. One of the world's most gigantic iron ore deposits lies under Brazil's hills, yet steel in structural sizes is almost unknown. Only now are the mills and machinery being erected in the country which will permit the rolling of large sections.

countries contributed their quota of ideas, the greatest Brazilian contribution was in the control of heat and glare on glass surfaces by means of sunbreakers (external sun louvres) of which much has been written of late.

In the design of the buildings to house the Ministry of Education and Health in Rio de Janeiro, the sunbreaker was most successfully integrated with the architecture, and largely as a result this feature is now an accepted integral part of all large modern buildings in Brazil. In that building the sunbreakers were placed horizontally and were adjustable, whilst the brothers Roberto, in the Brazilian Press Association (ABI.) building, have placed them vertically and fixed, com-pared with Niemeyer's Day Nursery in Rio, where they are vertical and adjustable. In each case the cool south side exposes its wall of glass without protection. On the north, however, (remember that in Brazil the sun comes from the north), the facade is provided with these fitments. So far the majority of these sunbreak devices are found in Rio, although they would be an advantage in other parts of the country also. **Construction of buildings in Brazil** is not complicated by fear of earthquakes-although they rock many other parts of South America. The temperate climate and the absence of, frost allow concrete

to be exposed in any weather, and this material suitably rein-

forced has been chosen almost

exclusively for contemporary building. Cement is made in a huge plant near Niteroi, and many external wall finishes are of stucco

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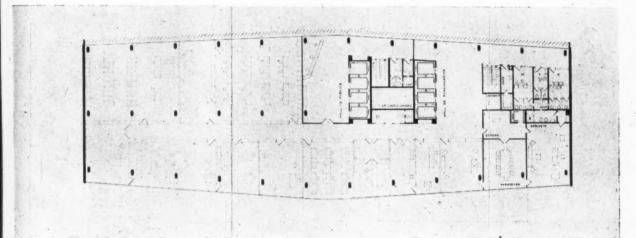
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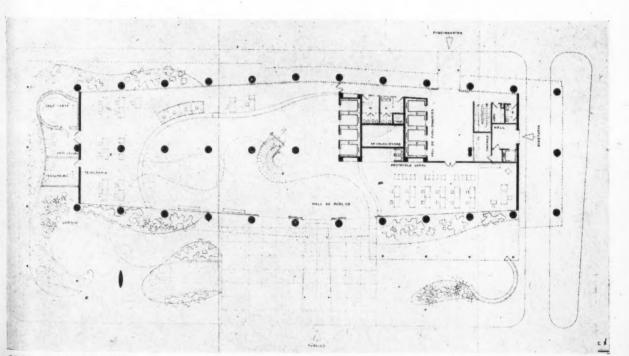
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Central offices, Rio Grande do Sul Railway. Above, sketch of twenty-first floor which contains restaurant, bar and kitchen. Right, the model, south side; the roof floor contains a cinema, lounge, lift machine room and terrace; another view from the south is shown on page 100 of this issue. Below, ground floor plan and a typical floor plan.







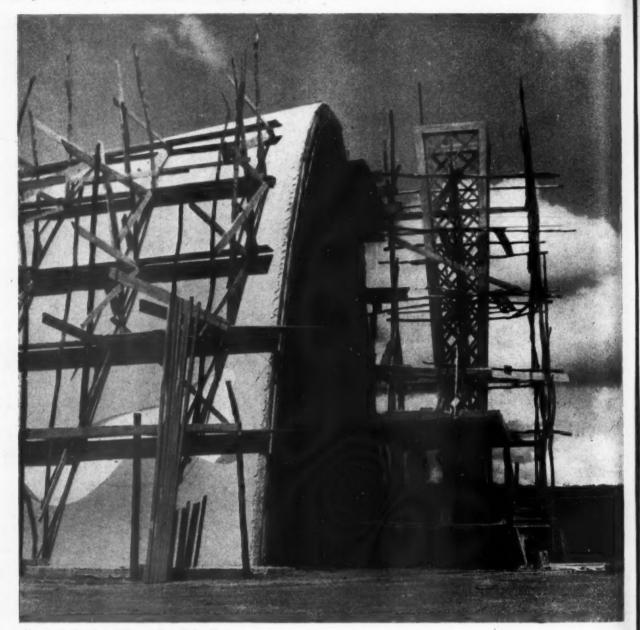
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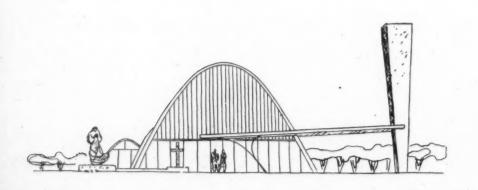
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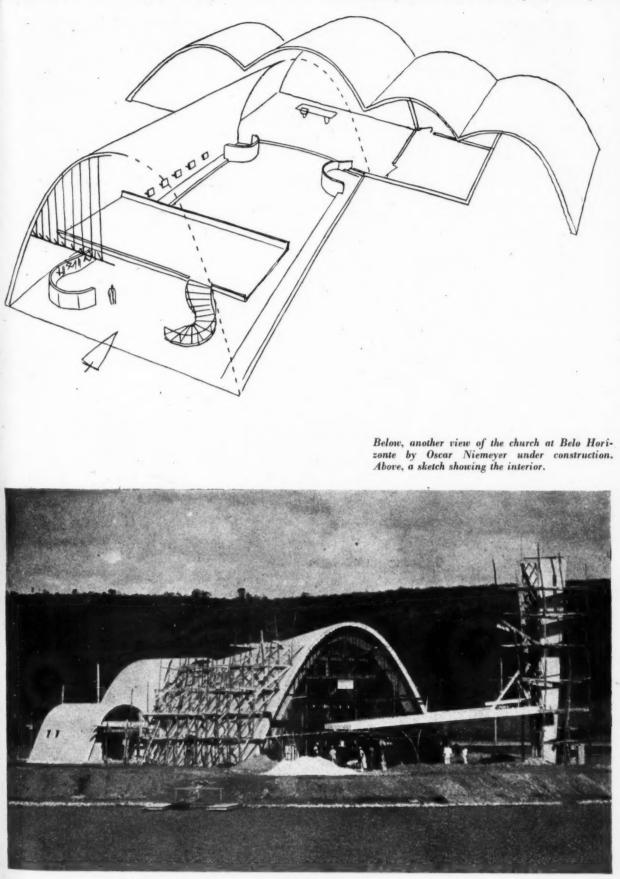


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Above, a church at Pampulha, Belo Horizonte, designed by Oscar Niemeyer, now nearing completion; it is of reinforced concrete parabolic arch construction. Below sketch of the front elevation, which faces a river; on the right is the bell tower.





SOME NEW ARCHITECTURE IN BRAZIL



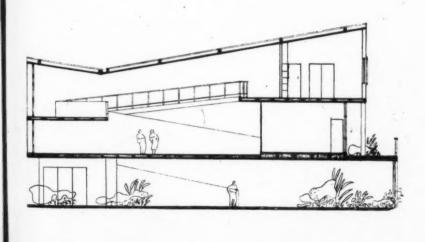
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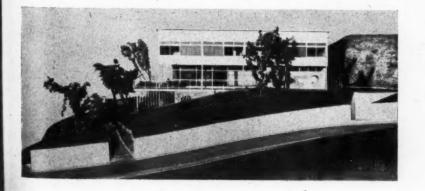
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Part of the design in painted tiles which will cover the whole of the spandrils at the east end of the church at Belo Horizonte.



Model of a house designed for a doctor at Rio by R. Mesquita. T. Estrella, J. Ferreira and R. Soeiro. Above and bottom, views from the road. Below, section showing the ramp.





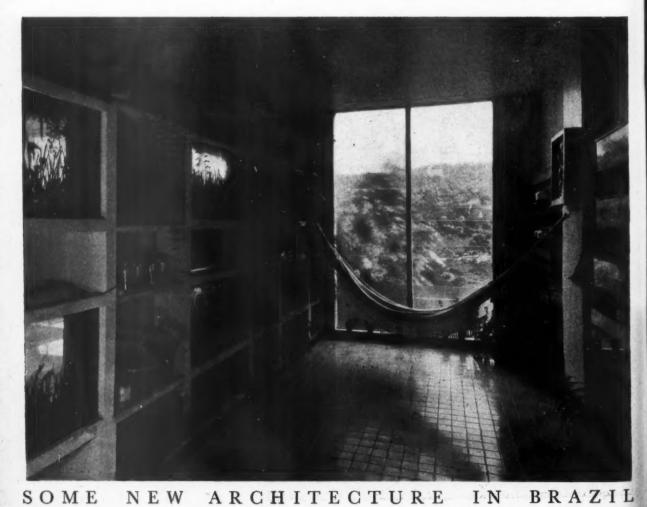
Thus far only reinforcing bars and secondary shapes are produced locally. Because of this lack, modern designers have had to turn largely to reinforced concrete for the construction of their buildings, and this development in constructional methods has had the most important architectural consequences. Dead styles and tenaciously held prejudices which the architects of the Old School insisted upon reviving or refurbishing did not hinder the spirit of adventure in design. The great adaptability of reinforced concrete has opened up a huge field of possibilities which are not to be limited by any obligations to the past. Architecture must, above all, express the spirit of its age, and if the past periods which are outstanding as models of good archi-tecture are examined it is found that those styles are just the ones which best express the life and times they represent. To quote Oscar Niemeyer, "We respect the lessons of the past, but that is all. Old architectural styles lose their meaning in the face of new technical possibilities. We don't believe either in styles based on by-gone designs or architectural elements. The Neo-Colonial socalled style is to our way of thinking, a lamentable example of this sort of thing."

SOME NEW ARCHITECTURE IN BRAZIL

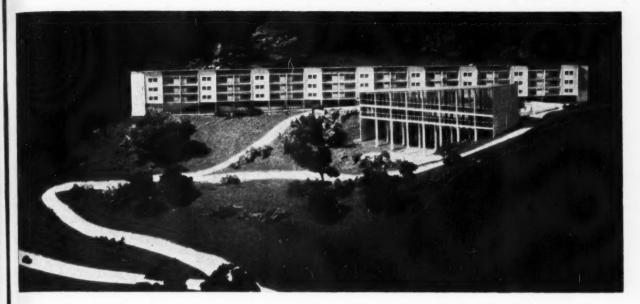


A house on stilts overlooking a ravine. Left, side view. Below, the living room showing two aquarium tanks. Bottom, the aquarium adjoining the living room.





Top, Petrop model ment Indus THE ARCHITECTS' JOURNAL for January 31, 1946 [113



Top, model of the Parque Hotel do Calembe at Petropolis designed by Jose Theodulo. Below, model of a sanatorium for the National Department of Irrigation of the Ministry of Transport Industry and Commerce.



In Rio de Janeiro an architectural competition was held recently for the design for the Central Offices of the Rio Grande do Sul Railway, when the prize was awarded to the architects Affonso Eduardo Reidy, C.I.A.M., and J. Moreira. The building is twenty-two stories in height ; floors two to twenty are for offices, the twenty-first floor is a Restaurant, and the twenty-second floor containing an auditorium, lounge, etc., is set back from the main facades, thus forming open terraces which will command magnificent views of the city, the sea and the distant mountains. It is anticipated that the erection of this building will commence shortly. From the model it would appear that the slim bulk of this building will be extremely successful. The slight curve of the long elevations add a subtlety to the design and form a relief from the repeated pattern of the fenestration, whilst the open mezzanine and ground floors and the recessed top floor give an added touch of interest. The elegance and lightness of the new reinforced concrete buildings of Brazil are typified in this designan elegance for which advanced building by-laws based on scientific knowledge are partly responsible.

In the town of Pampulha, situated about ten kilometres from the centre of Belo Horizonte (the geographical centre of the State of Minas Gerais) a considerable number of buildings of outstanding merit and startling design have been erected recently, thanks to the encouragement of a progressive government, an interested Governor of the State, and a really enlightened Mayor. Oscar Niemeyer was the architect selected to design about ten of these new buildings, large and small, as signposts for the development of the city. One of these buildings is a Church, photographs of which, taken in May, 1945, are reproduced. To design a Church has always proved rather a perplexing problem for a modern architect. Usually the tendency has been to adapt the old and well-known styles. In fact there seems to be a timidity about departing from the conventional. The architect here has tried to proceed more freely, adopting a solution based on the problem submitted to him and on the possibilities offered by the medium of the new constructional methods. The roof takes the form of a parabolic curve, which satisfies the needs of the interior very well and appears to be the natural solution suggested by concrete. The bell-tower, the marquee, the painted tiles (which fill the whole of the spandrils at the east end of the building), the mosaics in colour, and the granite surface all contribute towards the ensemble. It is expected that the building will be completed early this year.

This development of Brazilian architecture sketched out in this article leads to the conclusion that a new architectural era is in formation in our own time; a period which will represent a high level of construction-technique — marking the beginning of an epoch of design as pure as that of the best of the Greeks—of intelligent fitness of p urpose and of enduring solidarity.

INFORMATION CENTRE

The function of this feature is to supply an index and a digest of all current developments in planning and building technique throughout the world as recorded in technical publications, and statements of every kind whether official, private or commercial. Items are written by specialists of the highest authority who are not on the permanent staff of the Journal and views expressed are disinterested The Editors welcome information on all developand objective. ments from any source, including manufacturers and contractors.

PHYSICAL PLANNING

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Wales PLANNING PROGRESS IN WALES. Clough

Williams-Ellis. (Architects' Journal, May 10, 1945, pp. 349-352.) Welsh reconstruction problems explained as result of division of area into industrial south, agricultural middle, and mountainous north. Co-ordinated planning policy impossible without definite formulation of national programme. Steps towards creating better conditions in blighted industrial areas in-clude setting up of National Industrial Development Council of Wales to attract new industries, and special areas legislation in connection with trading estates. Planning matters under consideration mainly concern Severn barrage scheme, arterial south-to-north trunk road, new bridge at Conway, provision of holiday camps, preservation of prospective national park territories.

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Chelmsford

CHELMSFORD SURVEY. A. Minoprio, H. G. C. Spencely, and L. F. Richards. (Architects' Journal, June 21, 1945, *pp.* 457-459.) Survey and plan of Chelmsford organised by Chelmsford area planning group. Research undertaken with active co-operation of residents and many local organisations. Survey divided into two parts: (1) factual survey, (2) public opinion survey. Results utilised as basis for tentative planning proposals.

Neighbourhood Planning

UP YOUR STREET EXHIBITION. Walter Segal. (Architects' Journal, August 9, 1945, pp. 97-100.) Link between individual home and town planning de-monstrated in special housing centre exhibit, Up Your Street, at Daily Herald post-war homes exhibition. Effects of good and bad neighbourhood planning in relation to one large site explained in two models.

Coastal Preservation 2343

THE BLUE BELT: COASTAL PRESERVA-TION AND PLANNING. SURVEY OF THE ISLAND SHORES. J. A. Steers. (Architects' Journal, September 27, 1945, pp. 225-228.) Notes on maps and fieldwork in survey of England's coastline.

Valuation of various parts of coast for classification purposes. Preservation of unspoilt coastal amenities. Protest against careless industrial development and disfigurement of coastline. Recommendations for erection of welldesigned holiday camps. Coastal areas as nature reserves. Need for national policy on coastal planning.

2344 Church Ruin ST. ANNE'S, SOHO. J. Groag. (Archi-tects' Journal, June 14, 1945, pp. 441-444.) Scheme for converting ruins of bombed St. Anne's Church, Soho, London, into garden war memorial, taken from Bombed Churches as War Memorials (Architectural Press, 1945, 3s. 6d.). Design for memorial chapel in eastern end of ruin. Bombed houses nearby replaced by modern offices, flats, restaurants. Existing emergency water supply converted into lily pond.

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West Indies

PLANNING IN THE WEST INDIES. (Architects' Journal, May 17, 1945, pp. 367-369.) Extracts from memorandum

Housing in the West Indies (West Indies Development and Welfare Bulletin, No. 13). Suggestions for extensive housing programme. Provision of improved living conditions for lowest income groups. Legislation needed for compulsory acquisition of land for housing, for revision of building and health regulations, and for overcrowding and density standards. Diagrams showing neighbourhood planning prin-ciple applied to typical West Indian township and village.

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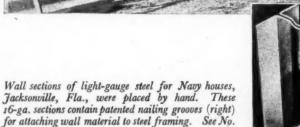
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Light-Gauge Steel

LIGHT-GAUGE STEEL FOR PEACETIME BUILDING. Milton Male. (Engineer-ing News-Record, October 18, 1945, pp. 525-529.) Earlier applications of light-gauge steel. Developments since 1930. Standards for light steel ap-

proved. Design standards proposed. $\frac{1}{16}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick iron sheets were cold-formed and riveted together into 1-beams formed and riveted together into 1-beams for use in the Bank of the State of New York Building as long ago as 1855. They performed the work required for nearly 50 years, when the structure was demolished. There was hardly any technical progress until 1910 when light steel construction came to be employed more extensively. World War I saw standard prefabricated buildings for various purposes. In general, buildings for various purposes. In general, during this period light-gauge members were used as secondary framing, or as floor or roof deck panels.

roof deck panels. In the decade beginning with 1930, a great variety of systems were introduced in USA. One group consists of sections used individually or pre-assembled into large framing panels before erection. Members are installed at relatively close spacing—about 24 to 48 in. for floor and walls. Thicknesses range from 10 to 18 gauge (about $\frac{1}{2}$ to







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WYMONDHAM ABBEY, NORFOLK From a pen and wash drawing by Leonard R. Squirrell, R.W.S., R.E., etc. (Accepted, Royal Academy, 1943)

THE chancel and transepts were destroyed at the Dissolution of the Monasteries but the tower over the crossing was allowed to remain. A great deal that was spared by the iconoclasts has since perished under the destructive influence of dampness and frost-the twin enemies of buildings. Protection against dampness is one of the first principles of preservation, and this is as important in a cottage as in an ancient monument. How to achieve such protection has been our constant study for nearly forty years. The experience so gained is embodied in the printed specifications and directions which may be had for the asking, as also may be a special specification for any work in prospect which appears to present an unusual or difficult problem.



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is in.). Another prominent group has large surfaces integrally connected to the ribs or

load carrying parts. The relatively simple shop equipment required for the fabrication of light-gauge members is available everywhere. Although welding predominates, there are many appli-cations where it is still advantageous to use punched or drilled holes and rivets, bolts, etc

Further advances are expected from four

restored developments: — (1) In 1941, there were issued two ASTM standards for the material covering thick-nesses from about $\frac{1}{4}$ to 0.05 in. and from 0.05 to 0.02 in. Each specification provides for threa extended are development. for three strength grades. (2) In order to clarify the question of the

durability of light gauge steel structures in 1940, the American Iron and Steel Institute engaged the Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory to survey the conditions of painted light steel constructions in some of the older steel constructions in a construction of the laboratory selected 50 struc-tures, well distributed geographically and of many different kinds. The average age was about 18 years, the oldest having been in use for 35 years. The report (issued in 1942) showed that the installations generally were in excellent condition and that the original paint coating still afforded effective

(3) The Committee on Building Codes of the American Institute of Steel Construction has prepared, a specification for the design of light gauge steel structural members. This is based on laboratory tests and extensive theoretical investigations. (4) Steps have also been taken to develop

a series of shapes that would be acceptable standards by manufacturers and designers.

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Concrete Slab

CONCRETE DESIGN TREND SHAPED BY CLEAR SPACE NEEDS. A. J. Boqse. (Engineering News-Record, October 18, 1945, pp. 530-534.) New type of flat slab. Examples of shell structures. Owing to the cost and scarcity of other materials, foreign designers have long ago found new forms for the use of reinforced concrete. War-time conditions had a similar influence on the development of reinforced concrete in USA. Flat slabs up to 50 ft. span have been used. To save weight, the floor was coffered, resulting in a ribbed slab 20 in. deep. The domes used to form the ribs were 17 in. deep, leaving a solid con-crete top slab 3 in. thick. Even more remarkable is the populariza-

tion of shell construction. Prior to the war, owners and the building profession apparently doubted that 3 or $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick reinforced concrete shells were adequate to span rectangular areas 60 ft. wide, although such structures have been as common in Europe as other types of construction. The war has entirely changed this attitude. Once the idea was accepted, USA engineers built shell roofs at a greater rate than anywhere else in the world, and the total area to-day at least equals and may exceed that in any

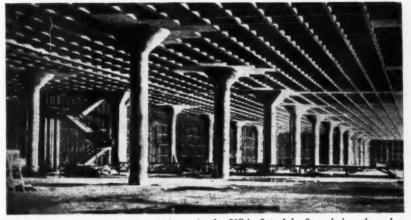
other country. The article contains several examples of shell construction in USA, some of which have already been referred to in the Information Centre.

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Aluminium Alloys

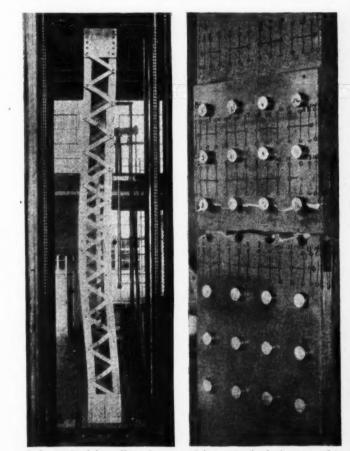
HOW AND WHEN TO USE ALUMINIUM ALLOYS. R. L. Moore. (Engineering News-Record, October 18, 1945, pp. 518-524.) Physical and mechanical properties. Data for research at Alu-



To meet the demands of modern industry in the USA, flat slab floor designs have been adapted to spans of 50 ft. or more. Above is a slab 3 in. thick with ribs 17 in. deep forming 50 by 51 ft. panels. See No. 2347.

minium Research Laboratories. Buckling. Recommended stiffener spacing. The article is on somewhat similar lines to the one referred to in No. 2113:20.9.45, but the one referred to in No. 2113-203-23, but contains more information on research. Typical stress-strain curves for aluminium alloys differ from those for mild steel in that there is no sharp break that definitely locates the yield point. Ultimate strength curves for axially loaded aluminium alloy columns are composed of two parts: the Euler curve and a tangent straight line. A 9 ft. long column, composed of two 7 in. channels (L/r = 40) joined by conventional lacing carried a maximum load of 235,000 b., corresponding to an average compres-sive stress of 32,600 lb./sq. in., a value approximately equal to the compressive yield strength of the material. A column of structural steel of nominally the same dimensions but having a higher yield point carried a maximum load of 273,000 lb. or only 16 per cent. more than the column of aluminium alloy that weighed one-third as much.

Comparative tests on riveted joints were



Left, an aluminium alloy column sustaining a test load almost equal to that of a similar column in structural steel. Right, a joint of aluminium alloy failing in tension at a stress of about 62,000 lb./sq. in. on net section. See No. 2348.

more favourable for aluminium. even Although column action probably repre-sents the most significant type of buckling sents the most significant type of buckling in structural design, questions of stability also arise in estimating the lateral buckling resistance of beams, the strength of flat plates under edge compression and the buckling resistance of girder webs. Some empirical formula are given for these cases. The meribilities of aluminium as a strum

The possibilities of aluminium as a struc-The possibilities of aluminium as a struc-tural material have only begun to be realized. Alloys in current production to-day have yield strengths almost 100 per ment, greater than the highest available commercially 20 years ago, and tensile strengths have been increased 50 per cent. The use of structural aluminium in building construction will for some time, it is expected, be limited to special applications where annearance tresistance to corrosion where appearance, resistance to corrosion, weight, or care of handling are of primary importance.

HEATING

and Ventilation **Domestic Installations**

TRENDS IN THE DESIGN OF HEATING INSTALLATIONS FOR DOMESTIC PUR-Prof. Sir Alfred Egerton. POSES. (Journal of the Institute of Heating and Ventilation Engineers. September/October, 1945.) (Report of paper delivered September 20, 1944.) Lengthy paper giving outline of work and findings of the DSIR Study Committee on Heating of Post-War Build-Much valuable information ings. which is useful as a pre-view of the Building Study Committee MOW Report No. 19.

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Domestic Heating

FIRST REPORT OF THE DISTRICT HEAT-ING COMMITTEE OF THE INSTITUTION GAS ENGINEERS. (November. 1945.) Conclusions: District heating practicable method of improving fuel economy and reducing smoke. In certain circumstances may be economical but generally with lower densities of building this not so. Zonal heating of groups of buildings may be wiser. District heating has limitations of low temperature supply only, therefore no cooking or visible radiant heat. Restricts freedom of individual unless combined with other methods of heating. Effect of one centralised system of supply or another must not be over-looked. Report valuable in putting clearly gas industry viewpoint on district heating.

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Corrugated Glass

0 In your issue for October 4, 1945, there Q was a description of wired corrugated glass sheeting given in No. 2,134 of the In-formation Centre. Can you give us further information on the properties of such sheets and the availability in this country?

Wired corrugated glass is not, so far as we know, available in this country. A

A we know, available in this country. Some years ago a corrugated glass (not wired) was produced by Pilkingtons, but it was not marketed for very long, as there were, of course, difficulties with the usual hook bolt fixing. There was also the diffi-culty that a number of asbestos cement manufacturers did not keep to the galvanised corrugated gauge, and that they also pro-duced various sheets, such as Bix-Six which were not corrugated in the normal sense of the word, but a series of wide flats with small ribs spaced at about 15 in. centres. We understand that production of corru-gated glass was abandoned very largely begated glass was abandoned very largely because of the number of different types of corrugation which had to be standardised and were fairly easily available in different parts of the country.

Building a Small House

Q 1 wish to build a house for my own occupation approx. 1,600 sq. ft. floor area. It will be constructed entirely by my brother and myself, no outside labour being employed. Can you answer the following questions?

questions? (1) Is a permit required in this case? (2) Is it possible to obtain the two stan-dards of timber which I understand is allowed for houses of under 1,000 sq. ft.? (3) Where can I obtain information on the heating of air for use in underfloor ducts in small houses? small houses?

A 1. No permit is required if the house is to be constructed entirely by your brother and yourself, but the plans will have to be passed by your local authority.
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timoer, but this will have to be applied for through your local authority. 3. We suggest that you should write to the Electrical Development Association, 2, Savoy Hill, London, W.C.2, the British Gas Association, Grosvenor Gardens, Lon-don, S.W.1, and the Coal Utilisation Joint Council, 54, Victoria Street, London, S.W.1.



Speeches and lectures delivered before societies, as well as reports of their activities, are under this title. dealt with which includes trade associations. Government departments, Parliament and professional societies. To economize space the bodies concerned are represented by their initials, but a glossary of abbreviations will be found on the front Except where inverted cover. commas are used, the reports are summaries, and not verbatim.

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Refresher Courses

The Central Institute of Art and Design (2, Stratford Place, W.1) has issued a PROSPECTUS OF REFRESHER COURSES FOR DECORATIVE DESIGN, extracts from which are given below.

The Central Institute has been approached by a number of manufacturers who are anxious about the return, or impending return, of their design stars from war service. These men and women, it is felt, will have been for some years quite out of touch with the tendencies of design in this country, and will find some difficulty in reorientating their minds.

The Central Institute has, therefore, decided to organize a series of refresher courses for industrial designers, not only to give them opportunities of seeing or re-minding themselves of the British tradition, but of studying modern trends. Inasmuch as the course will be composed of representatives of a number of different trades, opportunities will be given to each individual to familiarize himself with the outlook in other industries by which he must necessarily, to some degree, be influenced.

These courses will cover the field of de-sign in the decorative industries, more par-ticularly those which provide furnishings for the home, but other fields of decorative de-

the home, but other fields of decorative de-sign may be included. The following indus-tries are invited to avail themselves of this scheme: Carpets and Floor Coverings, Wall-paper, Furnishing Fabrics, Pottery, Glass, Furniture, Cutlery, Silver and Plate. The course will be confined to periods of three weeks, and will be limited to 20 members each. They will be centred in London, with very little, if any, travelling outside the Metropolis. They will be held in February, April and May, 1946, respec-tively, and the firms who wish to send their designers or assistant designers will be called upon to pay an exclusive fee to the CIAD upon to pay an exclusive fee to the CIAD of five guineas per week per designer. (The

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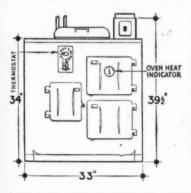
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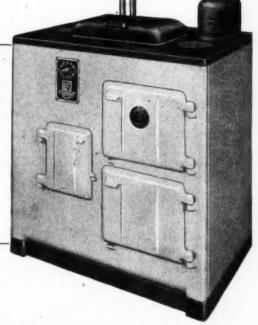
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Institute will arrange hotel accommodation for designers for these three courses if notified immediately, but the designer will be responsible for his own hotel bills and all other payments for meals, travelling, etc.) The Institute will finance various functions (as, for example, certain lunches when important guests will be present), and all lecture fees, etc., will be included in the fees paid to the Institute. The course would comprise the following: Institute will arrange hotel accommodation

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dealers parallel in importance with the art dealers' galleries.

(c) Visits to large departmental stores and small specialist shops.

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(c) Designers will also be encouraged to make up their own small parties to visit the more important stage productions, films, ballet, and so on, which may then be running in London.

(f) Meetings with certain buyers of imand with portant departmental stores, and with London representatives of large overseas companies and shipping agents. (g) Conference with leading

interior (g) Conference with leading interior decorators, architects, designers and artists. (h) It may also be possible to arrange for small groups of four or six people to visit certain designers' studios.

There will be a series of lectures or talks, and, since the number attending the courses will be limited, it is hoped that these will of an informal nature, and that each designer will have an opportunity of dis-cussing his own subject with the lecturer. These lectures will not, for the most part, be either technical or historical, but will aim towards giving the designers an idea of

aim towards giving the designers an idea of the trend of things to-day. Not the least important value of the courses will be the intermingling of the de-signers themselves coming, as they will, from various industries; and it is hoped that as a result closer contact will be established, and later maintained, between the various industries providing furniture and equipment for the home.

Those attending the courses should present themselves during the early evenings of the first days (Mondays) at a rendezvous to be announced later, when introductions will be made and general instructions and details of the syllabus given.

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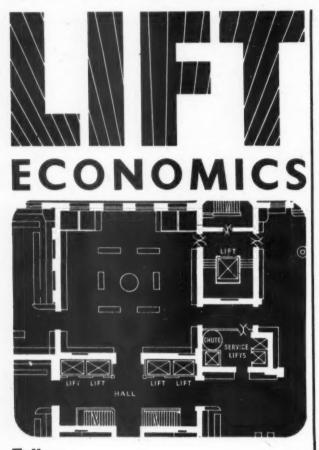
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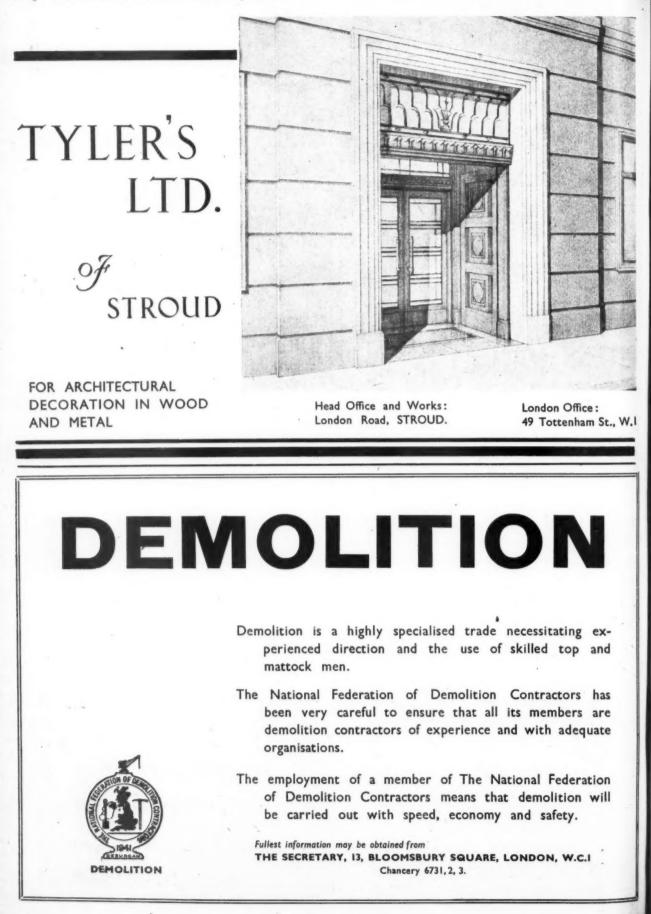
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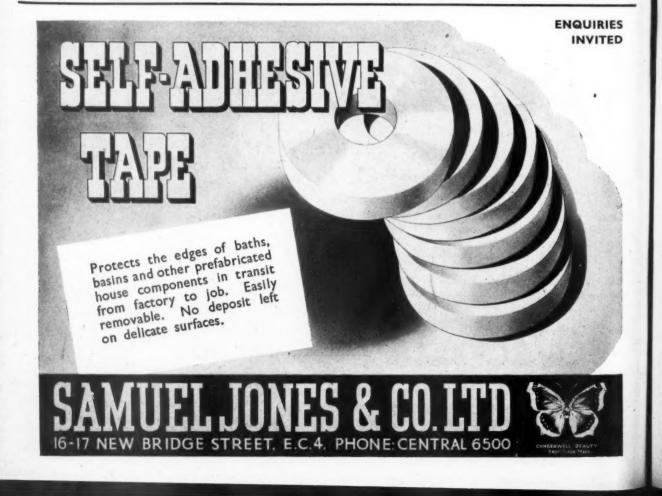
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Scale. depending on the experiment candidate. The persons appointed will be required to pass a medical examination and to contribute to the superannuation fund. Applications and experience, and accompanied by copies of not more than three recent testi-monials, should be forwarded to the Borough Architect, High Street Buildings, Husdersfield, not later than the 11th February, 1946. HARRY BANN. Town Clever.

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