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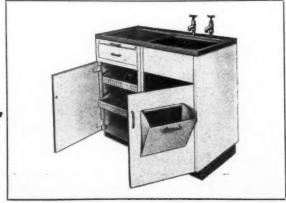
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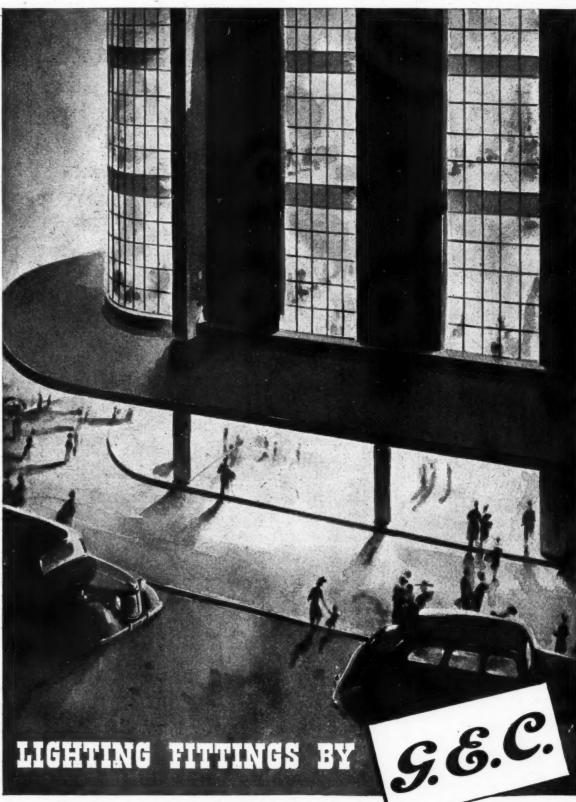
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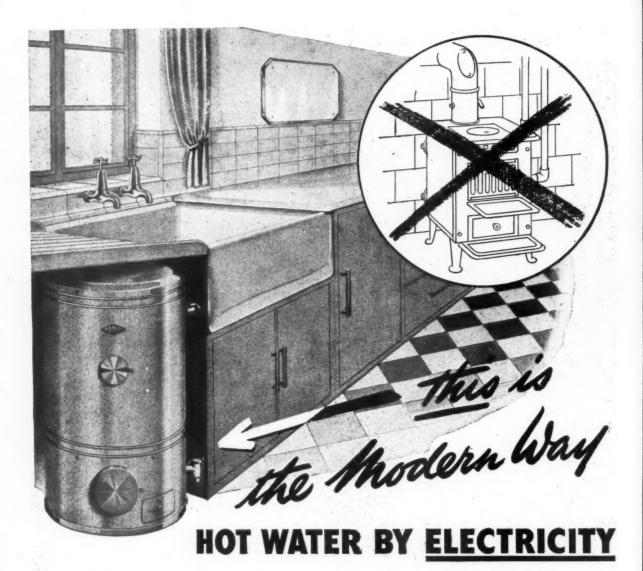


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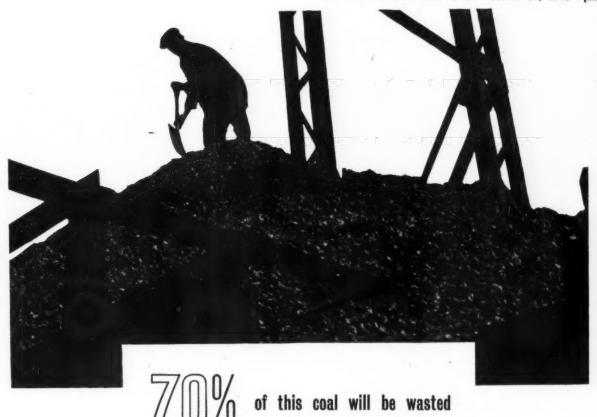
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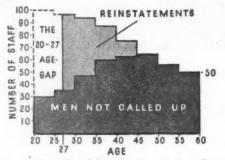
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A SEVEN-YEAR GAP TO FILL

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Some firms do not feel the lack - yet. The reinstatement of pre-war employees appears to leave few vacancies. But, as the diagram shows, a gap remains in their staff, in the 20-27 age-group, which neither older nor younger men can fill.



In this chart, the whole area represents the male administrative, executive and managerial staff of a typical engineering firm before the war, analysed by age-groups. The white portion is the present 20-27 gap which must be filled to restore proper balance.

Unfilled, this gap threatens the future efficiency of any business. It means, in ten years' time, a lack of responsible men between 30 and 37; in twenty years, between 40 and 47

The young men of 20-27 who alone can fill it are now leaving the Forces. To help the most promising find posts that offer proper scope, and to secure for business and industry talents that should not be wasted in blindalley jobs, the Government has established a free, nationwide appointments service.

A REGISTER OF ABILITIES

Fourteen Regional Appointments Offices register and classify the abilities of men and women of promise in different fields, building up a great national index from which employers' demands are met. As the 20-27's leave the Forces, all of the requisite standard who apply are interviewed, their qualifications recorded. Those who need help in choosing a career are "screened" by modern methods, to reveal special aptitudes. And selected candidates are eligible for assisted training under the Business Training Scheme — a 3-months' general course, which may be followed by up to two years' practical training in a particular firm.

Thus men are matched with the jobs they will do best. In seeking the right men to fill the 20-27 gap, employers can draw on the whole country if need be - and without wasting time in useless interviews, since only likely candidates are put forward for their selection.

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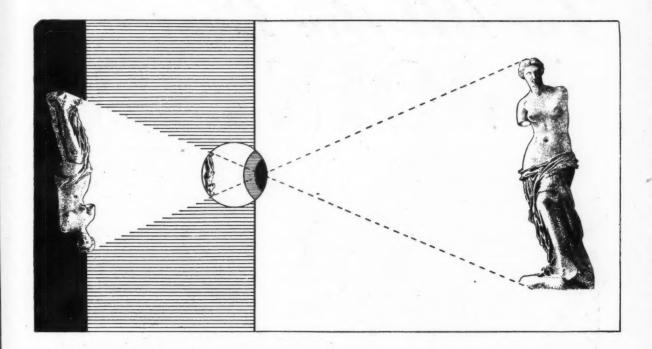
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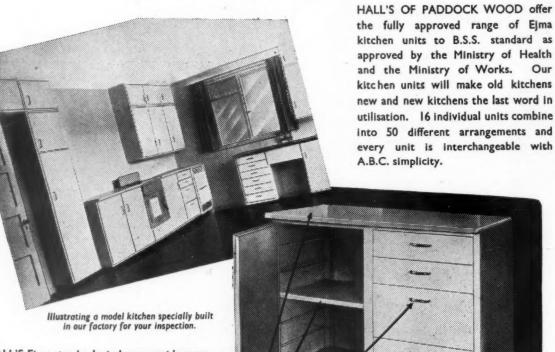
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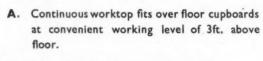
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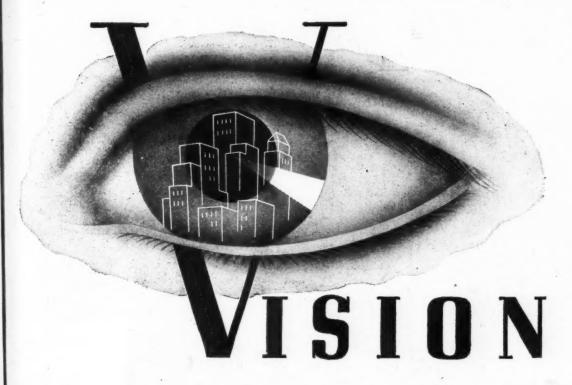
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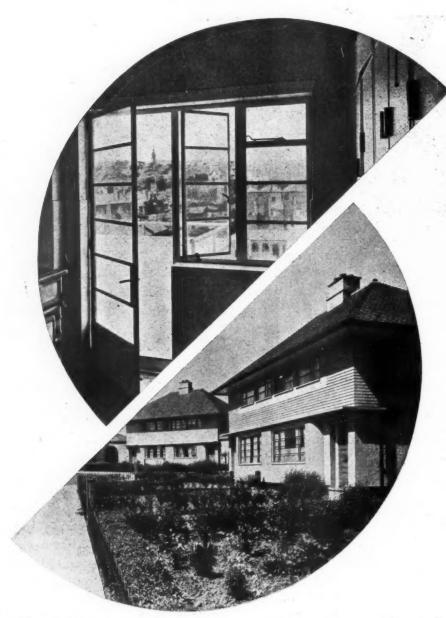
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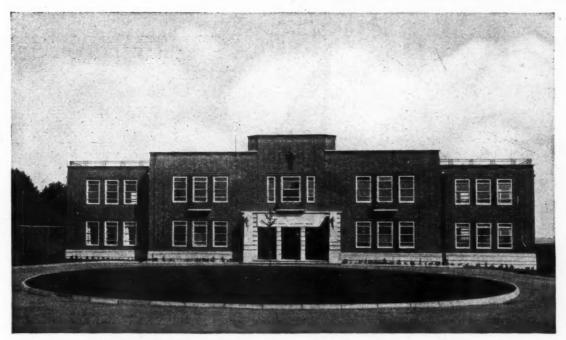
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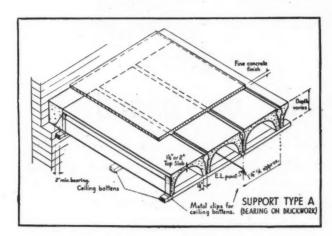
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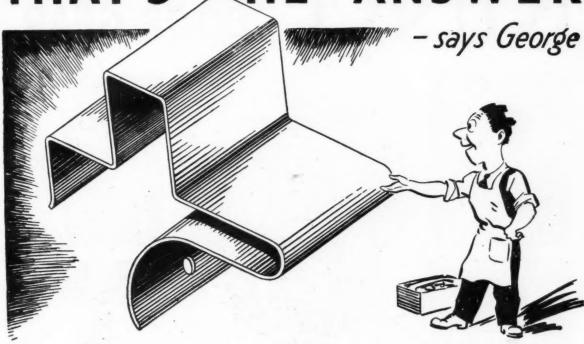
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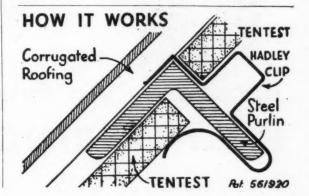


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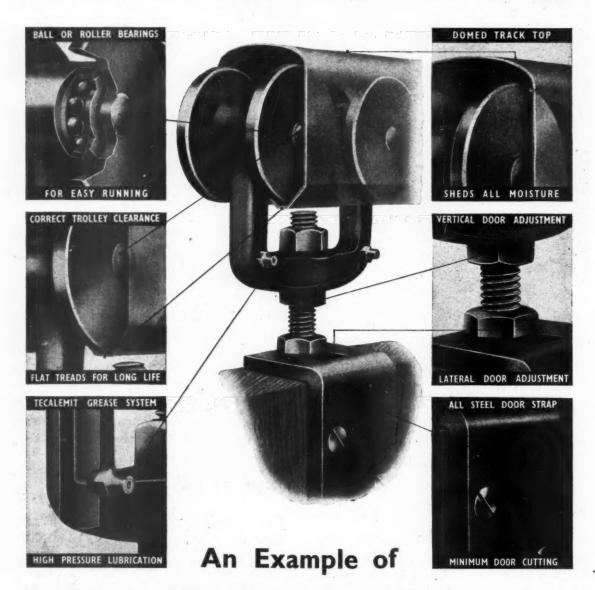


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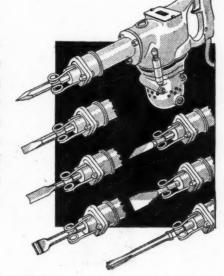


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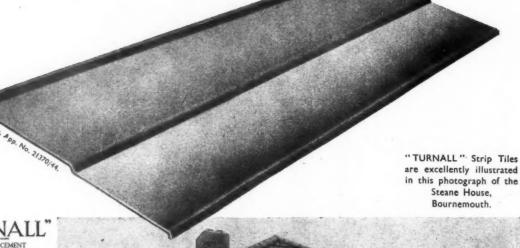


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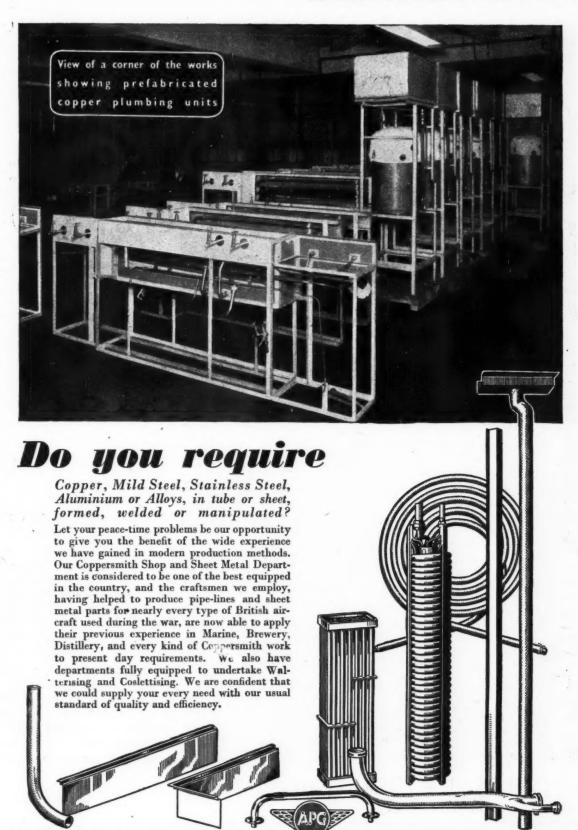
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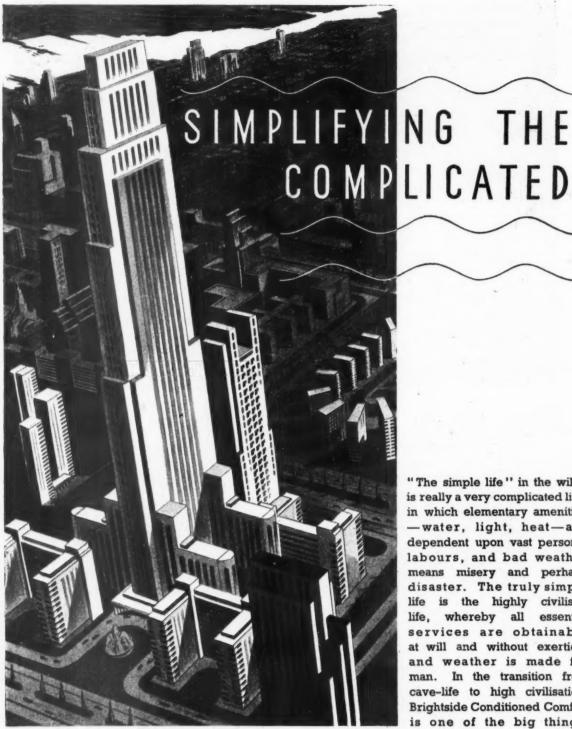


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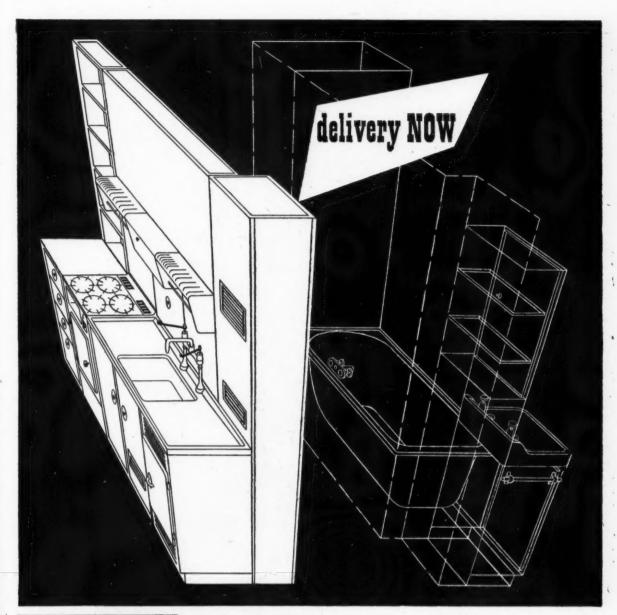


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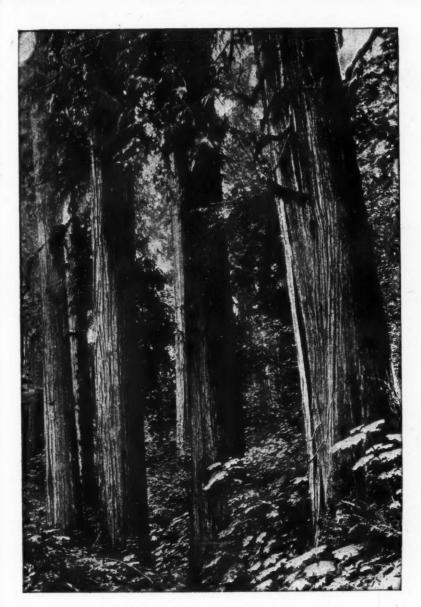
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DIARY FOR OCTOBER NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

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BLACKBURN. Regional Building in the United States. Exhibition at the Public Library, Museum and Art Gallery. (Sponsor, Arts Council.) Until Oct. 26

BLACKPOOL. Plans for an Arts Centre. Exhibition at the Borough Surveyor's Department, Municipal Building. (Sponsor, Arts Council.) Until Oct. 26

E DINBURGH. Exhibition of Standard Products for Housing. At the Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers Street, Edinburgh. The aim of the exhibition is to make known the types of goods in production now or in the future, from whom they are available and at what price. It is also hoped that it will encourage the use of products conforming to British Standard Specifications to ensure certain basic qualities. The exhibition will be mainly for the information of local authorities, technicians and builders but will also be open to the general public. (Sponsor: Ministry of Works and the Department of Health for Scotland in consultation with the other Government Departments concerned, Mondays to Saturdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sundays 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admision free.

L ONDON. Britain Can Make It. Debate on the Britain Can Make It Exhibition at the Royal Society of Arts, John Adam Street, W.C.2. Chairman, G. O. Slade, K.C. 1.30 p.m. (Sponsor, DIA.) Oct. 17

Royal Photographic Society of Great Britain Exhibition. At the Science Museum, Exhibition Road, S.W.7. Ninety-first annual exhibition of photographs, which contains some 900 photographs from 21 countries of various kinds such as pictorial, technical, colour, miniature camera, kinematography. (Sponsor, Royal Photographic Society.) Until Oct. 26

P. J. Marshall, late General Secretary of SATO. SATO and a Burma Plan. At the RIBA, 66, Portland Place, W.I. (Sponsor, MARS group, supported by the Association for Planning and Regional Reconstruction, Association of Building Technicians, and Architects Students' Association.) 6.15 p.m. Oct. 25

Religious Paintings. By Eric Hemmingway. At the Church Artists' Agency, 25, Ebury Street, S.W.1. (Sponsor, CAA.) 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. OCTOBER

Swiss Planning and Building Exhibition. At the RIBA, 66, Portland Place, W.1. Organized with the co-operation of the foremost architects and associations in Switzerland. Building for work, building for recreation, housing, town and country planning, schools and hospitals are among the subjects covered. Other features are the preservation of old and historic buildings and the countryside, and the re-planning of winter sports resorts, for which an extensive programme has already been started. How Switzerland makes the most of her landscape is shown in a series of photographs.

Danish Domestic Design. Exhibition at Geffrye Museum, Kingsland Road, E.2. (Sponsor, Arts Council.) Until Oct. 27

Festival of St. Luke. 3 p.m., Service at St. Margaret's, Westminster (address by the Bishop of London). 4 p.m., Reception at Central Hall, Westminster. This annual festival of the Visual Arts, organized by the St. Luke's Festival Committee (on which the Council for the Preservation of Rural England is represented), first took place in 1945 and is held for the purpose of stimulating public interest in the relevance of the Fine Arts to everyday life. (Information from the Secretary, CPRE, 4, Hobart Place, S.W.1.)

Office Finance. Informal lecture by two architects and an accountant. At the RIBA, 66, Portland Place, W.1. Speakers: Percy Burnett, A. M. Chitty and Brian Boys (accountant). Chairman, E. D. J. Mathews. (Sponsor, RIBA.) 6.30 p.m. Oct. 22

Mrs. Pleydell-Bouverie. Your New Home. (The Competition of the House Builders' Registration Council.) At the Housing Centre, 13, Suffolk Street, S.W.1. 12.45 p.m., buffet lunch, 2s. 6d.; 1.15 p.m., talk and discussion. (Sponsor, HC.) OCT. 22

MERTHYR TYDFIL. Royal Sanitary
Institute Sessional Meeting. At the
Castle School, Cyfarthfa Park, Discussion
on Housing and its Amenities, to be opened
by G. Eric Mitchell, Borough Architect and
Engineer, Merthyr Tydfil. 10.30 a.m.
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PORTSMOUTH. Plans for an Arts Centre. Exhibition at the Central Public Library. (Sponsor, Arts Council.) Until Oct. 26

SALFORD. History of the British Playhouse. Exhibition at the Museum and Art Gallery, Peel Street. (Sponsor, Arts Until Oct. 30

SOUTHAMPTON. What is Modern.
Painting? Exhibition at Woolston
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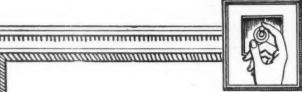
* means spare a second for this, it will probably be worth it.

** 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.

Part of the outer walls and several complete rooms of a LARGE ROMANCOURTYARD HOUSE attributed to the 2nd century A.D. have been uncovered on the Roman site in King's Head Yard, Southwark. The work is being undertaken by a voluntary team of American, Dutch and British students working under the direction of Miss Kenyon, of the Institute of Archæology. The building was of wattle and daub on a rough masonry base. The King's Head Inn was once the Pope's Head which may well have been the successor of a Roman tavern. The Roman road south from London Bridge probably passed below the modern inn.

To give the new stone which is being used to restore Shrewsbury's sixteenth century Market Hall and Public Library the right colour, a SOLUTION OF COWDUNG is being applied. The two buildings are undergoing a structural overhaul. Both buildings are of Grinshill stone, a gray sandstone which is not very durable. Some of the blocks are now so soft that a knife will penetrate them. Owing to the small demand, the Grinshill quarries are now closed but a similar stone is being used for the renovation.



Electricity is basic in building

Electricity, which was the mainpower behind the production of munitions of war, is now a prime necessity in the building and equipment of the new and better homes for peacetime Britain. Electricity is no longer a luxury to be enjoyed by a few; it is the main source of that comfort and cleanliness to which every householder is entitled. And, in addition to being indispensable, Electricity is able to meet—and is meeting the hundred and one demands which indispensability entails.

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From AN ARCHITECT'S Commonplace Book

THOUGHTS OF A 19TH-CENTURY SHARAWAG: THE STERILITY OF OFFICIALDOM. [From The Art of Building Cities by Camillo Sitte; translated by Charles T. Stewart (Reinhold Publishing Corporation).] To expect (to achieve a good city plan through official action alone) would be just as unreasonable as to expect the building of cathedrals, the painting of great pictures, or the composition of symphonies through public action. An artfully effective city plan is truly a work of art, and not a matter of administrative routine. That is the essence of the entire problem. Even if we assume that every official has the ability, knowledge, background in travel and training, innate artistic feeling and imagination to conceive of an effective city plan, a number of officials acting together in a bureau would produce only barren, pedantic stuff of a dusty official flavour. The department executive has no time to do the work himself, burdened as he is with conferences, reports, commissions, administration and so on. The subordinate official dares not intrude his own ideas. He must abide by the official standard. His drawing board has no other inspiration, not that he isn't capable of something better, but because his work is official. Personal ambition, artistic individuality, and enthusiasm for work of one's own responsibility are factors that do not fit into public administration. In fact, they are incompatible with official discipline.

Mr. G. H. A. Hughes: If the Ministry of Health provides us with the materials, every house in the London area now up to roof-level will be FINISHED BY CHRIST MAS.

Mr. Bevan, continued Mr. G. H. A. Hughes, Director of the London Master Builders' Association, who was speaking at Chigwell, has assured us that all the materials needed have been or will be produced in time. depend on that assurance. If it is carried out and steps are taken to ensure that there are no hold-ups, we shall do our part of the job. I have already asked our members to assist in pin-pointing the houses now in the nearly finished category, so that we can notify the Minister of the extent of our demand for supplies. It is now up to him. One point about housing should be made clear to the public. Official returns always discriminate between houses built by local authorities and houses built by private authorities and nouses built by private builders. Generally speaking, the local authorities do not build houses. Private builders build those houses for them under contract. This should be emphasised, for I am sure that the public does not sufficiently realise the extent of the contribution the building industry is making to the the building industry is making to the housing problem. Speaking of the black market, Mr. Hughes said: All members of the London Master Builders' Association are strongly opposed to it. If any evidence is given of a case in which unlicensed building seems to be going on the Association will immediately bring it to the attention of the Ministry of Works. I ask for the assistance of members in providing such information.

To speed up housing in London two men have now started as the EYES AND EARS OF THE PRODUCTION COMMITTEE for the Building Industry.

They are Mr. J. Nickson and Mr. T. Catto, who have been appointed by the National Joint Production Council, set up under the wages agreement of the National Joint Council of the Building Industry in January, 1946. They are to seek out the causes of delay in building progress, and will report to the London Regional Joint Production Committee, which operates under the National Production Council. Mr. Nickson was formerly a master builder in Manchester, and served with the Ministry of Works in Ireland during the war. Mr.

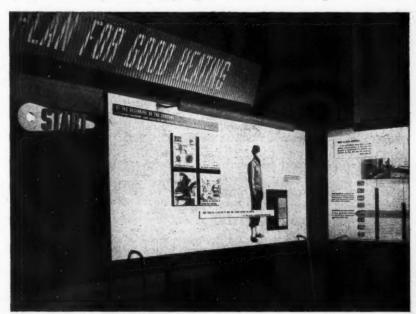
Catto is a well-known London building trade unionist.

Mr. James B. Austin: Scandinavian timber of unsorted quality, which is essentially the need of joinery manufacturers is going to the wrong uses owing to MALDISTRIBUTION.

Addressing members of the English Joinery Manufacturers Association, Mr. James B. Austin, the new President, said: Manufacturers have the right to receive the material with which to carry out their orders. Scandinavian timber of unsorted quality which is essentially the need of joinery manufacturers, is going to the wrong uses owing to mal-distribution. This is being aggravated by the first and second hand buyers' quota systems which are causing stocks to accumulate in merchants' yards whilst the joinery

trade can not find the wood it needs. He also stressed the need to assist the small manufacturer who at the moment is being forced to buy most of his wood on the basis of under £20 lots at a surcharge of 20 per cent. He also added: The correct distribution of timber is a vital matter to the trade and the major difficulty in the ensuing year will be to ensure that adequate supplies of raw material, to enable the building programme to be fulfilled, are forthcoming.

Mr. Christopher Tunnard, Assistant Professor of City Planning at the Yale University School of the Fine Arts, Department of Architecture, New Haven, Connecticut, has been APPOINTED TO THE STATE COMMITTES ATUNO HEADQUARTERS.



Part of the exhibition held in the Henry Jarvis Hall at the RIBA in connection with the conference on Fuel and the Future sponsored by the Ministry of Fuel and Power and held last week. The exhibition, illustrating some of the standards and principles of good domestic heating, was produced by the Design Research Unit and designed by Eric Brown and Stefan Buzas.



LCC to Buy Hurlingham

Hurlingham Polo Grounds, Fulham, are to be bought by the London County Council for use partly as an open space and partly, on behalf of the Fulham Borough Council, for housing. No. 1, ground about 60 acres, seen in the left of the photograph, will be used as public park and No. 2, about 14½ acres, developed as a site for four hundred flats. No. 1 ground abuts on the river Thames for about 550 yards. Much of it is laid out as ornamental gardens and the considerable southern portion is wooded and contains a lake. Hurlingham House, within the woodland, may merit inclusion in the LCC's list of historical buildings. The estimated cost of acquisition and partial development of the grounds is £700,000. The LCC will ac-

quire No. 1 ground by a compulsory purchase order under Section 10 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1944, and No. 2 by compulsory purchase, on behalf of the Fulham Council, for the purposes of Part V of the Housing Act, 1936. Despite the decision of the LCC to take over Hurlingham the members are determined to keep the club alive. "It is unthinkable," says Colonel G. Ritson, a member of the Committee, "that Hurlingham, and all that the name stands for, shall be allowed to die. I do not think we shall be able to save Hurlingham on its present site, but we shall take counsel's opinion. If we can fight the LCC we shall do so." The picture was taken from the air by a staff photographer of *The Times*.

A fully illustrated report will shortly be issued by the Town Planning Institute of the visit of fifteen British Town Planners who have returned from an OFFICIAL TOUR OF HOLLAND.

The fifteen planners were: H. W. J. Heck, Col. W. S. Cameron, W. R. Davidge, E. H. Doubleday, M. J. Hellier, E. L. Higgins, Prof. W. G. Holford, Max Lock, James Macaulay, G. L. Pepler, Reginald Poole, A. R. Potter, O. A. Radley, J. R. Howard Roberts and W. L. Warde. A motor coach took the delegates on a thousand mile tour. Each day they visited a different wardamaged town, where, as guests of the Burgomaster, they met leading planners and technicians to discuss with them planning and reconstruction problems. Amsterdam, Arnhem, Nijmegen, Rotterdam, the island

of Walcheren, and The Hague were among the places visited. Middelburg had been twice heavily bombed, says a preliminary report of the TPI, but now under the direction of the town planner, Dr. P. Verhagen, whole streets of shops and houses have already been rebuilt in a manner that has enhanced rather than detracted from the former beauty of the town. Features of great interest in Rotterdam included extremely well designed temporary shops, and the new, clean, brilliantly lit road tunnel under the Maas, completed in 1943, and comparable with the Mersey Tunnel. New plans for the building of a residential neighbourhood on the South of the Town by the architect Dr. W. van Tijen and the engineer Dr. C. van Traa, were of particular interest to the planners concerned with social aspects of housing estates. For a town in a beautiful setting, Arnhem could hardly be improved. The members of the British delegation felt that all material and techni-

cal assistance should be given to the keen men who are replanning the town to make Arnhem an outstanding example of vital town planning to the democratic world. Amsterdam has perhaps the most advanced and comprehensive plan in the world, directed by Mr. L. S. P. Scheffer. This was studied by the British team, who were taken to see the construction of a large artificial lake for boating and sailing which was to form the central feature in the layout of 3 housing neighbourhoods on the west of the city. They were also shown the plans for the rebuilding of the Jewish quarter which they visited. In The Hague, where flying bombs were launched behind the cover of the houses, the new reconstruction plan of Mr. W. M. Dudok was studied. It is a plan with grand street visitas leading up to the climax of the great square of the proposed Government buildings; a plan with free and gay use of open spaces and with courage enough to put all rail traffic in a 3-mile tunnel under the city.

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considered the manner in which it INCREASES IN thinks THE EMPLOYERS' CONTRIBU-TIONS in respect of Health and Pensions Insurance announced in the White Paper Cmd. 6878 should be dealt with in current contracts. Clause 25a, entitled Fluctuations in the RIBA 1945 Standard Form of Contract, was not drawn with the intention either of anticipating or covering the situation which might arise if and when statutory effect were given to the proposals for National Insurance contained in the Beveridge Report, says a statement issued by the NFBTE, but was framed on the basis of past experience in the matter of alterations in employers' contributions for the statutory assurances. Thus upon the legal construction of this Clause any in-crease or decrease in the amount payable by the contractor in respect of such employers' contributions is not the subject employers' contributions is not the subject of an adjustment of contract sum under that Clause. The National Insurance Scheme provides for a very substantial rise in the amount of employers' contributions and the increase announced in respect of pensions in Cmd. 6878 with effect on September 30, 1946 (i.e., 11d. per week per man) is a first instalment towards raising the level of employers' contributions to that required for the full operation of the National Insurance Act. It is the opinion of the Joint Contracts Tribunal that, ethically, this increase with effect on September cally, this increase with effect on September 30 last should, in respect of, at any rate, some current contracts, be an addition to the contract sum. The Tribunal proposes to re-examine more fully the terms of Clause 25a of the RIBA 1945 Standard Form of Contract having regard to the requirements of the National Insurance Scheme. Under the RIBA form of contract the architect has no power to certify this rise in the employers' contribution, and therefore he can do no more than put the position before and, if he sees fit, make a recommendation to, the building owner, leaving him to decide whether or not he will consent to an addi-tion to the contract sum. Tenders delivered after notice has been received of the official announcement of the forthcoming increases should include this additional employers'

The Joint Contracts Tribunal has

Mr. James Austin has been appointed PRESIDENT OF THE ENGLISH JOINERY MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION.

At the annual general meeting of EJMA, held in London, Mr. James Austin, of Austins of East Ham, Ltd., the senior Vice-President, was unanimously appointed President, Mr. R. W. Mugford, of Duncan Tucker (Tottenham), Ltd., the retiring President, becoming Immediate Past-President. Messrs. John Duxbury, of Magnet Timber, Ltd., and M. Van Westerborg, of Joinery & Builders' Supplies, Ltd., with the addition of Mr. W. E. Adams, J.P., F.C.I.S., of John Sadd & Sons, Ltd., the late Hon. Treasurer, were unanimously elected Vice-Presidents. Mr. E. W. King, A.I.O.B., of E. W. King & Son (Newport), Ltd., was nominated, as Hon. Treasurer. Messrs. T. B. Hustler, of James Hustler & Son, Ltd.; S. A. James, of Wm. Thomas & Sons, Ltd.; Henry N. Newsum, M.C., J.P., of H. Newsum, Sons & Co., Ltd.; T. Osborne, of Midland Joinery Works, Ltd.; H. J. E. Ripper, of Rippers, Ltd.; and I. A. Rutherford, of Rutherford, Geake & Co., Ltd., were elected Members of the Council.

THE FUEL CONFERENCE AND HEATING TRENDS

THE Conference held in London last week under the sponsorship of the Ministry of Fuel and Power was vast in its scope. There were seven separate sections as well as a number of combined meetings. In one section alone, Modern Heating and the Architect held at the RIBA, there were something like fifteen nominated speakers. Thus it is not easy to see in proper perspective as yet the true significance of the various contributions. It is clear, however, that the Conference raised or confirmed a number of points which are of vital importance to housing.

Outstanding is the fact that official representatives of the Ministry of Fuel and the Ministry of Health re-stated the major points of the Simon Report and thereby confirmed official approval of the revolution in standards of heating for

small houses.

There is an immediate implication that architects in future must be prepared to fit themselves to appraise the efficiency of systems of heating and of individual appliances and that they must be prepared to consider quantitatively the thermal insulation values of the structure of their houses. Two of the most interesting papers dealt in detail with this subject of insulation and showed quite conclusively that good insulation can pay very handsomely both by saving of national fuel resources and saving of cost to the householder.

Considerable attention was given to the present policy of background heating plus topping up and our impression is that there is a good deal of feeling that something better than this

is both desirable and economically possible.

The reduction of atmospheric pollution came up for discussion at almost every session. With the clearly stated Government policy on this given in the Simon Report and the great interest shown by the delegates to the Conference, it seems that at last we may be getting beyond the mere payment of lip-service to the ideal of obtaining clean living conditions in our towns.

The special joint session on District Heating drew a very large attendance and it is clear that here, too, we are passing from the period of investigation and discussion to action. Manchester has a large scheme which only awaits Ministry of Health approval, Urmston has a scheme under construction and Westminster is considering the possibility of District Heating for a large number of flats.

A point of especial importance to architects both in connection with District Heating and with improved methods of individual house heating is that the new heat services automatically and inevitably introduce new planning possibilities. Doubtless the profession will be quick to grasp the opportunities.

The really significant thing about this Conference, however, is to be found not so much in any of the individual contributions but in the fact that it was held at all; that it was Government sponsored and that it was, by its title, directed as a planning

measure looking to the future. The contributions made and the interest shown by the delegates would have been quite impossible to attain in the pre-war period. It does indeed show how far we have progressed in our outlook.



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IN SEARCH OF A WORD

Most argument starts because people interpret the same word in different ways. It was therefore a sensible audience that heard Dr. Siegfried Giedion at the MARS group lecture at the RIBA on *The Need for a New Monumentality*, because it began its discussions by trying to define that word Monumentality.

Dr. Giedion's theme, which in some of its aspects has been a subject of debate in the Group for some time, ran as follows: A new monumentality is needed because the old one has degenerated into dead clichés, indiscriminately applied. The Modern Movement is the only architecture competent to create it because it has successfully discarded the remains of the outworn monumentalism and has laboriously built up its own formal discipline. It has been necessary to start from scratch owing to the vulgarization of the old monumental symbols—a process that began under the First Empire. equipped with the resources of modern architectural technique we have to reconquer the power of monumental expression. People have a right to demand of the architect, as of other artists, symbols to express their aspirations-joy, excitement, every luxury. Architects must collaborate with painters and sculptors to satisfy the common man's emotional needs in noble forms. Modern Architecture is in mortal danger if we fail in this.

But that word Monumentality seemed to confuse people. To John Summerson monumentality was only present where the design was on the heroic scale, rather than the human, a quality that he saw solely in classical architecture. Obviously that was not Dr. Giedion's meaning which was much nearer to what a sociologist would call Symbolism. Ruth Pocock took the term to mean a visible record of people's joy in living. Other people variously denied that monumentality had a place in the present age or gave the word a more general and popular meaning than the one usually current in architecture.

This discussion about a word may have seemed laborious to some of the audience but I think it is important. Monumentality is surely not a satisfactory term to express Dr. Giedion's argument, at least in this country, for to most people it certainly does imply a mixture of the pompous, the insincere, the sentimental and even the megalomaniac.

The right word has yet to be found, but Mr. Roth offered a useful pointer during the discussion at the RIBA in claiming that a dictum that neatly aphorised the whole affair was Corbusier's le palais une maison, la maison un palais.

TRAVELLERS' TALES

The entrance to Stockholm—pine trees, the Southern hospital, the long, clean tunnel dynamited through the rock, and then over water and through the centre of the city with its constant contrast and surprise. Here the old lives with the new to the benefit of both and all the attributes of the picturesque exist except those most often and falsely associated with it—the contrast of squalor and opulence. Such are the most vivid memories

brought back by a colleague from a summer journey to Sweden.

There, he tells me, the new architecture, as we know, has settled down in marriage with tradition with all the comforting and popular associations that such a marriage brings. However, the most exciting part may yet be to come. For whereas in most countries modern architecture is still either doddering or else in various stages of arrested development, and anxious parents are busy choosing it the right school, in Sweden it is fast approaching the mature, if dangerous, years of middle age.

As for the bodily senses, smörg-sbord, schnapps, kraftor (cray-fish to the uninitiated), sour milk ad lib. in the midst of a strong and ubiquitous smell of herrings (lacking as yet that added pre-war tang of coffee), must, in these days, of limited space, do to get on with.

Painting in Sweden apparently bears out the reflections of Ruskin who writes in his catalogue of art according to geography: "Moss-lands, a healthy race, capable of high mental cultivation and moral energy, but wholly incapable of art, except savage, like that of the forest-lands, or as in Scandinavia." Now that fountain pens sell twice as fast if they can be used under water, it is not surprising to hear that in the window of one of the leading art dealers in Stockholm stands a huge Victorian picture of the popular conception of a virtuoso playing vigorously on a violin while immersed in a waterfall. There was always an ad.-man.

Modern art flourishes but, apart from a few notable exceptions, is strongly derivative. One of the most lively art productions is *Gasblandaren*, the



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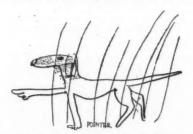
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ly art the magazine of the students (past and present) of Stockholm's technical university. Here advertisements and editorial are hard to disentangle, for they are done by the same men and show an equally high standard of humour, draughtsmanship and northern feyness.



Just returned from Paris, another colleague reports surprisingly that little is lacking in France except butter for the petit déjeuner and sugar. A first-class meal can be had-including wine and pain à discretion—for six shillings. Luxury goods [Britain can make them -for foreigners] line the boulevards to such an extent that stickybacks are already appearing in public places bearing the slogan: "Les magazines sont pleins, les portefeuilles sont vides -Réclamons le Revenu Social."

The Opera retains its traditional magnificence and wealth of cast, ballet and orchestra. What impressed this traveller particularly was the setting of the old opera house, which forms so important a part of the whole entertainment—especially the vast and generous passages, salons, foyer and staircase where one can parade with dignity between the Acts, while discussing the virtues of Massenet or the difficulties of presenting the refinements of



The sketches reproduced here are from Gasblandaren, the Swedish students' magazine, on which Astragal writes above.

Mozart with such unrestricted resources.

Chartres has happily escaped war damage and enough of the wonderful glass has now been replaced to reopen the old question-how was it done? [No less impressive was the spare figure of Sir Patrick Abercrombie which was glimpsed by my colleague battling tenaciously, hand firmly on hat, through a memorable north-west gale on a pilgrimage to the Cathedral.]

The French have their own special problems of reconstruction—the rebuilding of certain very heavily damaged towns in the battle areas and the restoration of communications. The work does seem to be based on a preconceived plan and the Ministry of Reconstruction has many projects in hand for various parts of the country. A display in the main building of the Ministry illustrating the problems and an album of selected jobs which have been approved, speak well for the PR department, which provides efficient service without red tape.



LONDON TRANSPORT

The new London Transport posters by Zero [" Hands at Your Service "]are a welcome advance on recent designs, which particularly in the courtesy series, have been touching depths of banality unplumbed for twenty years. Perhaps this improvement is due to the new Advisory Design Committee (Herbert Read, Philip James, Pettigrew Gibson) which was recently set up by Lord Ashfield. If so, we are grateful to them, and wish them luck in their deliberations.

It has been disheartening to watch the steady decline in æsthetic standards which has followed the death of Frank Pick and the departure to the GWR of Christian Barman, and though we feel a bit better now it's no good thinking an advisory committee, however distinguished and reliable its members, can take the place of one controlling

ASTRAGAL



LETTERS

Frederick W. Hag yard, L.R.I.B.A.

John Gloag

T. W. Causton, L.R.I.B.A.

Fountains Abbey

SIR,—Far be it from me to criticize an utterance of a man like Sir Charles Reilly, but I am sure his remarks on the subject of Fountains Abbey, by no means represents the feeling of the majority of those of us who appreciate these fine historic monuments.

If his reasoning were carried a stage further it might be applied to the purchase of, say. a fine but derelict 17th century house acquired for restoration to its original use, a home. There would be no hesitation in architectural circles in applications such a prove to preserve early. plauding such a move to preserve early craftsmanship in this way; and I cannot see that, because Fountains has such a lovely

that, because Fountains has such a lovely setting, that it should not be put into a good and useful state of repair.

It is only the fact that the Monks of the Cistercian Order—to which, by the way, Fountains belongs—built their Abbeys in remote and secluded parts of the country, and therefore at the dissolution were not withhir sited for the country and the state of the country and the country suitably sited for use as parish churches or suitably sited for use as parish churches or cathedrals, that accounts for this Abbey ever having become a ruin at all. Some of the Benedictine Abbeys, for instance Ely and St. Albans, became cathedrals, being situated within a community where their churches could be used as such; and so they remain to us to-day preserved priceless preciments of early workerschief.

specimens of early workmanship.

I saw the Monks rebuilding Buckfast Abbey, and they had far less to preserve than the extensive and beautiful remains at Fountains.

Fountains.

I personally should like to think that I shall live to see Fountains Abbey carefully restored for its original function, if only to enable it to be handed on to posterity with yet another period of architecture, that of our own time, added to the long line of architectural styles from the long line of architectural styles from the

FIRST DOUBLE-DECKER TOWN





If the Ministry of Town and Country Planning approves, Hastings may become the first two-decker town in the world, having shops and pedestrian ways on one level and traffic roads on the other. Above is a model of the town centre looking from Wellington Place up to Cambridge Road, and a model of the proposed viaduct promenade enclosing a lagoon along the front. The scheme includes three new residential areas, the continuation of the double-deck promenade principle to include the whole of the St. Leonards front, the extension of the promenade on a viaduct to the eastward of Rock-a-Nore as far as Ecclesbourne Glen with a marine lagoon three-quarters of a mile long (as in the above model), and the construction of an airfield. Parts of the new scheme were shown last week at an exhibition held in connection with the first post-war Congress of the International Federation for Housing and Town Planning opened by the Minister of Town and Country Planning at Hastings.

12th century upwards incorporated in such a magnificent foundation.

Brockham FREDERICK W. HAGYARD

Astragal and Raymond Loewy

SIR,—When Astragal says "Over to you, Mr. Gloag," I presume he wants me to reply to some strictures on the work of Mr. Raymond Loewy which he made in the course of reviewing a new edition of my book, Industrial Art Explained, in your issue of September 12. He objects to some of the phrases used by Mr. Loewy in the paper entitled Selling Through Design which I read for him before the Royal Society of Arts in 1941 and which is recognitive. which I read for him before the Royal Society of Arts in 1941, and which is reproduced as an appendix in my book. Astragal asserts that Mr. Loewy's paper was "full of jargon," and selects as examples two phrases: "contagious selling" and "consumers' suction," but omits to say that Mr. Loewy himself put those two phrases in inverted commas, and quoted them with the light-hearted exuberance that happens the light-hearted exuberance that happens to be an American characteristic, but which Astragal, no doubt fingering an old school tie or caressing a Blimpish moustache, stigmatises as vulgar. I can almost hear him murmuring: "Gad, Sir! Design is going to the dogs!" Possibly he prefers the psychological and other pseudo-scientific jargon which some of our tedious upliftmongers employ when they want to say: "Design is good for you," and say it in as many long words as possible; but I prefer many long words as possible; but I prefer Mr. Loewy's hard-boiled common sense when he says, in effect, "good design is good business," and proves it with practical examples which convince practical industrialists.

I agree with Astragal, that when some I agree with Astragal, that when some things are tidied-up they lose their initial virility of form; but I suggest that this happens only when the tidying is done by one of those oppressively earnest young or middle-aged or almost-old practitioners of the "modern movement in design" who has dispensed with or never possessed the quality of mind that alone justifies the atternot to design anything—imagination. tempt to design anything-imagination.

JOHN GLOAG

Conditions Abroad

SIR,—I was interested to read the views of an architect fresh back from Iceland and can only conclude that the Arctic doesn't vary a lot from the Tropics as regards cost of living. It certainly emphasises the necessity of obtaining accurate information

necessity of obtaining accurate information regarding conditions prevalent in the land to which one may be tempted to go.

Here in Trinidad, which may at one time have been a peaceful tropic island, noise and heat predominate and cost of living is easily twice that of England, while incomes have not increased in that proportion. Board and lodging per month per person cost from £20 powerds while the comes have not increased in that proportion. Board and lodging per month per person cost from £20 upwards, while the nights are rendered hideous by gangs of stray dogs fighting for scraps and cockerels that crow non-stop.

Local transport is very inadequate and congested and for the average town dweller a car costing from £400 to £600 is absolutely essential in order to escape to the country or even get a bathe in the sea.

Food is plain and unvarying, and as no rationing exists at the moment items like butter, margarine and sometimes eggs, are quite absent for weeks at a time.

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Houses for rental just don't exist, but one can purchase a flimsy structure with four walls, a corrugated iron roof and built on concrete piers for about £2,000.

So you see brother architects, life in England still has its compensations.

It would be interesting to learn what conditions prevail in other parts of the Empire. Port of Spain, T. W. CAUSTON Trinidad

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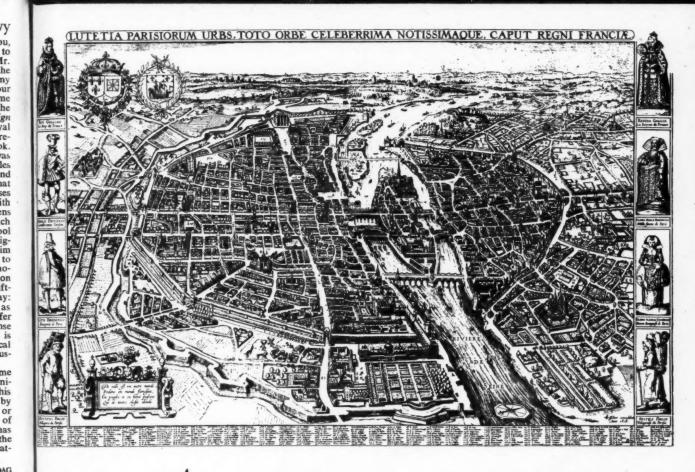
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PHYSICAL PLANNING SUPPLEMENT



RÉGION PARISIENNE RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Planning in France is now actively directed towards the war-damaged areas, under the Ministry of Reconstruction. Paris has suffered comparatively little within its central area, although certain railway areas and factories on the outskirts were heavily bombed by the Allies. Early this year, the plans guiding the development and improvement of the city were brought up to date, and are illustrated on the following pages, together with a series of sketch maps showing the development of Paris during its history. Acknowledgment is made to the Ministry of Reconstruction for the recent proposals and to the book Pierre Sur Pierre by Gaston Bardet for the historical plans. Above, an old print showing the city of Paris in 1618. Planning in France is now actively directed towards

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Every student of Town Planning is familiar with the plan of this beautiful city of Paris after the work of Haussman in the last century, but the various stages of development leading to its present structure and the future proposals are by no means common knowledge. The intention of this Supplement is to present pictorially the growth of the city and to indicate the latest proposals for future control and relevelopment. Paris has not commissioned the preparation of a plan which can be compared with the comprehensive

County of London and Greater London Plans, but the work of laying down the outline for future improvement has been in progress for several years, and has been brought up to date early this year.

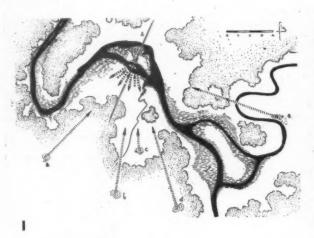
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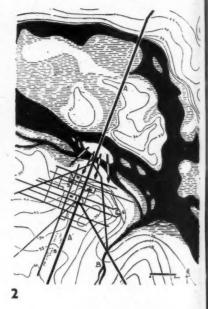
Within the walls of Paris a network already exists of wide boulevards which give direct access between the main centres of interest, and at the junctions large areas for circulation are already available. The replanning of these junctions constitutes the main internal problem, and in spite of obvious signs that the layout of certain places has been tidied up from the traffic point of view, these still constitute a danger to pedestrians—a danger which is increased by the speed of the vehicles and apparent disregard for pedestrians. most important proposals for traffic now include the construction of ring and radial roads, either completely new in alignment or by widening of existing roads. These proposals can be identified on the Road Plan on page 280 and include a new north-south route (Autoroute Sud and Autoroute du Nord), the Avenue d'Urbanisation de Paris (a direct route westwards from the Place d'Etoile), and the Grande Rocade or outer ring road. It is not clear, however, that traffic crossing from one side of the city to the other will in actual fact use these routes in preference to the existing direct roads across the city. Little alteration is envisaged in the railway

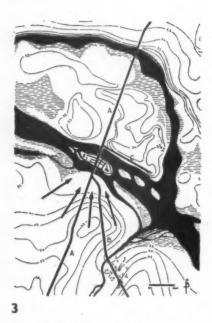
Paris has not the same problem of industry in the central areas and around the banks of its river that exists in London.

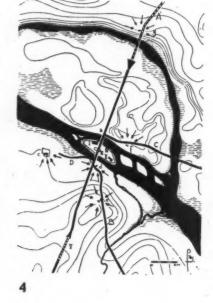
The proposals for industry are thus simpler in character and deal chiefly with the gathering of scattered industry into clearly defined zones. Other features of this latest Paris Plan include the preservation and improvement of open spaces, and the distribution of its population, which has tended to increase within the central area and decrease in the surrounding region during the present century.

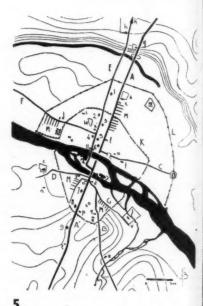


Left, (I) a diagram illustrating the foundation of Paris in ancient times, the River Seine being outlined in black. The letter A indicates the north-south route crossing l'lle de la Cité. The small letters show positions of ancient villages, and the arrows the direction of movement towards the river crossing. Right, (2) Paris after the Roman Conquest; the city developed on the south side of the river, abandoning the previous location on the island. The north-south route continued to be the main influence on the plan.



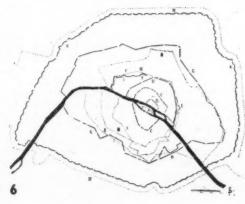






Above (3), Paris after the barbaric invasion of the third century. The city moved back again on to the island, abandoning the high ground of Sainte-Geneviève. Above right (4), the plan of Paris in the sixth century at the time of the conversion of the Francs to Christianity. The siting of certain existing features has taken place, the letter A indicates the rue Saint-Martin; B rue Mouffetard; C rue Saint-Antoine; D rues Saint-Andrédes-Arts and de la Huchette. The figure I indicates the Palace; II the Church; III the Market; IV the Ramparts.

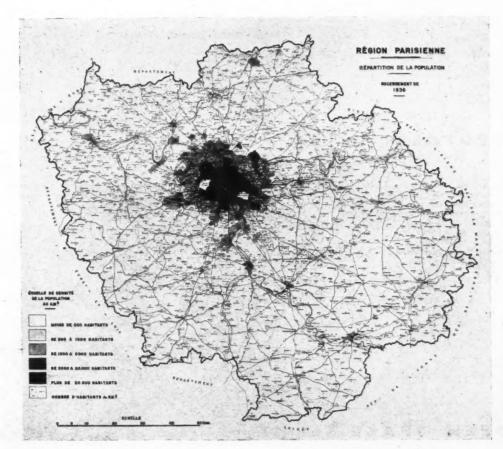
DEVELOPMENT OF PARIS



Above (5), Mediæval Paris in the middle of the fourteenth century. The rings of fortifications which formed a strong influence in the later development of the plan can be seen encircling the old city. Left (6), the final development of the fortifications with the most recent (indicated by the letter K) built in 1840 and finally demolished after the Great War.



A plan showing the variation in the density of population in the Paris region between 1911 and 1936. The tendency for people to move towards the central area is very clearly marked, and corresponds to many similar examples in England.



The distribution of population in 1936. The large area of high density consists chiefly of flats, and old town houses converted into flats. This way of living is popular in Paris and leads to a compact city. At the same time, the numerous gardens, woods and the development of the river banks, give a certain open feeling.

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ROAD PROPOSALS

Above, the Road Plan which has been brought up to date this year. The proposals include a system of ring and radial roads; some entirely new, and some utilising existing routes. Right, the proposals for the preservation of open spaces, including also parkways. A particular feature of this plan is the retention of the many forests and woods for which the Paris region is noted. The proposals for these in actual fact extend beyond the boundaries of this map, to cover the whole of the planning area.



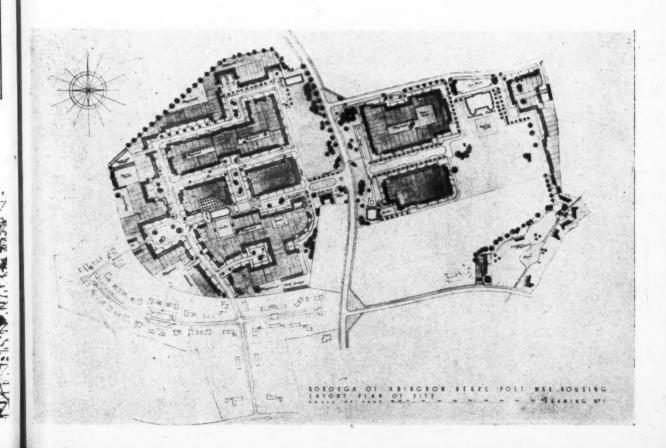
OPEN SPACE

Right, layout plan (No. 1b) Norman Jewson and Harold F. Trew. Below, layout plan (No. 2) F. Russell Cox.

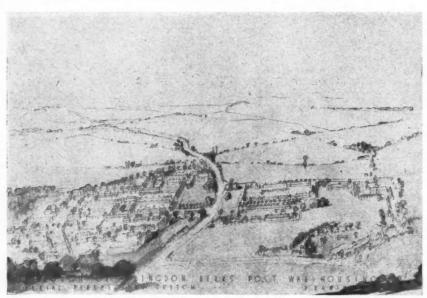


ABINGDON HOUSING COMPETITION

WINNING DESIGNS



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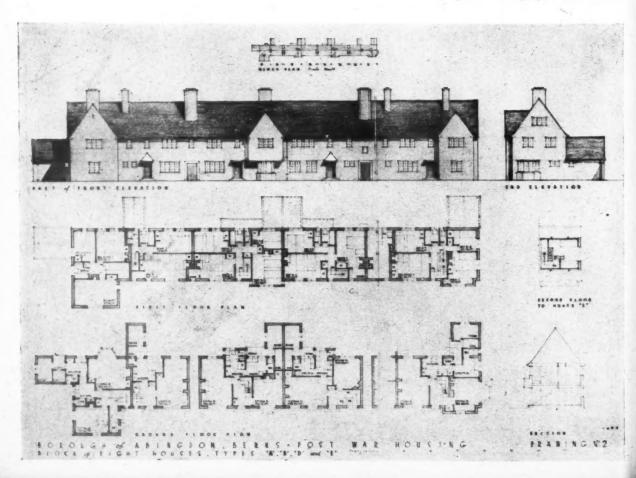
Above, aerial perspective sketch. Below, block of eight houses.

In the competition for the layout of the proposed housing site and building designs for the Council of the Borough of Abingdon, Berkshire, Mr. Thomas Rayson, F.R.I.B.A., of Oxford, the assessor, recommended that the premiums should be allocated as follows:

No. 2. £100: F. Russell Cox, F.R.I.B.A., Burford, Oxon. No. 1. £50: Norman Jewson, M.A., F.R.I.B.A., Cirencester, and Harold F. Trew, F.R.I.B.A., M.T.P.I., Gloucester, plus a sum to be paid for the copyright of their layout.

No. 3. £50: T. Lawrence Dale, Carfax, Oxford.

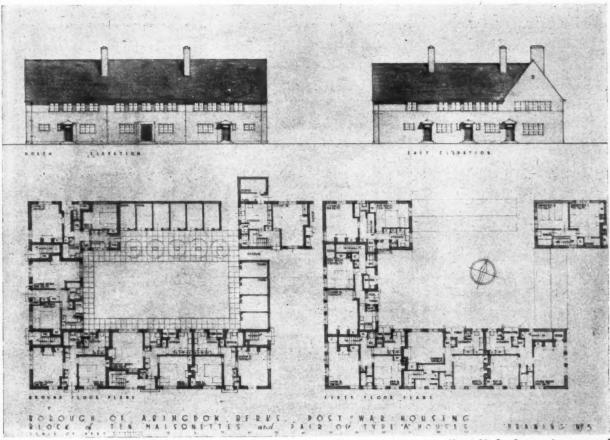
In his report the assessor says: No. 1B has adopted a circular plan of road with a square central space, which is made the nucleus of his plan. Round this square he has put his public buildings and shops. The line of road from Faringdon Road northwards to this centre is a good curve but I cannot help regretting more has not been made of this. It could be made an essential, dignified backbone of the scheme. This is the only competitor who has discovered this feature and even he fails to complete it. Old people's flats are near



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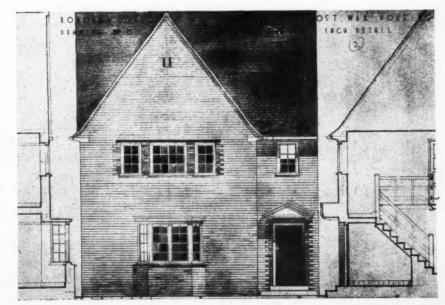
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Above, block of ten maisonettes and a pair of houses. Below, typical details.

the centre. The four to the acre area has been dealt with in a good, simple way, but would benefit with a connection at its north-western end with the main scheme. The playgrounds are well distributed though they are haphazard in shape and have no architectural layout. Lock-up garages have been provided in an adequate quantity. The lines of the eastern layout are good but would be better without the fussiness of the treatment. The position of the access road from Northcourt Road is good and leads to the middle of the area. This is the best layout scheme. The designs of buildings submitted by No. 2 are extremely good. It is a pity his layout is not better. I do feel that we cannot deny ourselves the benefit of the designs of the buildings submitted by No. 2. They are delightful and quite worthy of the proposal. I suggest, therefore, that No. 2 should be deemed to be the successful competitor on condition that satisfactory arrangements are made with the author of No. 1B to adopt the main lines of his layout.

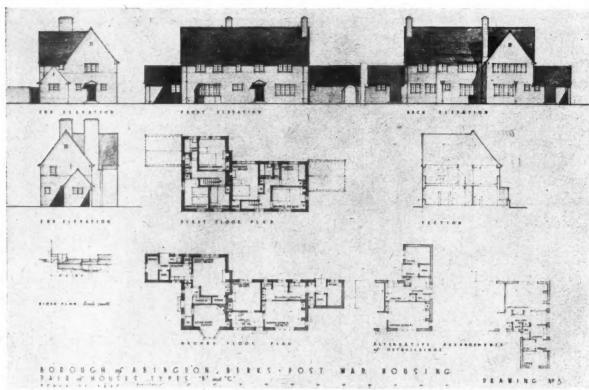
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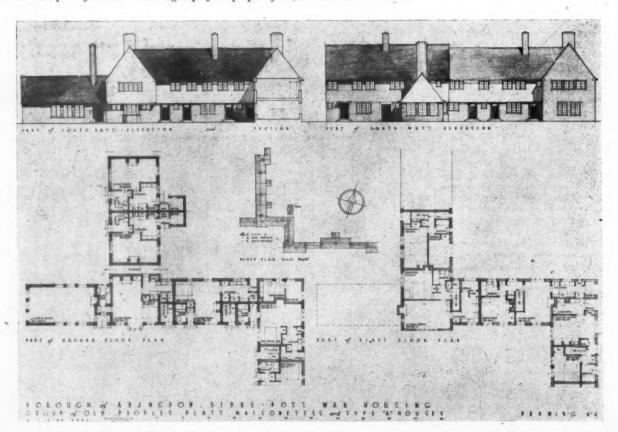
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COMPETITION

Design No. 2 (£100) F. Russell Cox.



Above, a pair of houses. Below, group of old people's flats, maisonettes and houses.



ABINGDON HOUSING COMPETITION

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 developments from any source, including manufacturers and contractors.

PHYSICAL PLANNING

Airport Planning

AIRPORT PLANNING FOR URBAN AREAS. US Department of Commerce: Civil Aeronautics Administration. Government Printing Office, 1945, 20 Official bulletin dealing with aerodrome planning, site selection and estimating needs for various types of aerodromes. Five appendices.

The pamphlet has been prepared to aid US metropolitan area planning groups to obtain a knowledge of the fundamentals of aerodrome planning as it affects large size communities. It also refers to localities where aerodrome needs are multiplied by

diverse types of aviation activities.

Part 1 gives a survey of some important basic considerations, such as numbers of aeroplanes to be accommodated; the volume of a given type of flying to be expected; the length of landing strips; the shape of run-ways; the size of the landing area; the location of aerodromes in relation to co-ordinated regional and city planning; commercial and residential zoning requirements in the vicinity of aerodromes, and planning for future expansion.

In Part 2 detailed reference is made to site selection. Among factors influencing the size of aerodromes, the following are analysed: the performance characteristics of an aircraft to enable it to tackle safely any known fixed obstacles in its glide path; the topographic characteristics of the site; the volume of traffic measured in terms of the number of plane movements in a limited period of time, and meteorological conditions determining the length of runways. Factors influencing the location of aero-dromes include sufficient distance between neighbouring aerodromes; atmospheric conditions; proximity to established cross-country air-routes and to the ultimate destination and source of passengers and cargo. Useful tables are provided giving recommended aerodrome standard sizes for four different classes, namely:

Class 1 to accommodate small private

owner types.
Class 2 to accommodate larger size private owner types and some small size transports. Class 3 to accommodate present-day trans-

Class 4 to accommodate the largest planes in use and those planned for the immediate future.

A further chapter deals with estimating the needs for various types of aerodromes for an area under consideration. For instance, in the sphere of light plane operainstance, in the sphere of light plane opera-tions, knowledge of the number of people likely to buy and operate their own planes and where these potential owners live in the community, will give the planner a clue to (1) the number of small fields required, and (2) the general areas within which he must try to provide them. An interesting survey

is given of examples of analytic methods used in various parts of the country to estimate needs.

Appendix 1 consists of a tabulated index American aircraft giving the company's name, the model designation, the number (wing x power loading), and the gross weight.

Appendix 2 is an accident study dealing with collisions of aircraft with buildings.

Appendix 3 contains an estimate of scheduled air traffic and international air traffic for the Philadelphia-Camden metro-

traffic for the Philadelphia-Camden metropolitan area prepared by the Philadelphia City Planning Commission.

Appendix 4 is a reprint of the Law Relating to the Metropolitan Airports Commission, prepared by the State of Minnesota, Department of Aeronautics.

Appendix 5 gives the Model State Airport Zoning Act, November, 1944, drafted and recommended by the National Institute of Municipal Law Officers Municipal Law Officers.

Although the pamphlet is written for American planners and based on American data and requirements, it is, nevertheless, a valuable guide to the sort of approach that is needed in planning for civil air transport

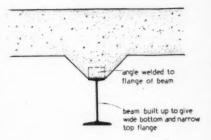
STRUCTURE

Composite Construction

TRAEGER VERBUND-BAUWEISE. (COMPOSITE BEAMS). Dr. M. Ros and A. Albrecht. Eidgenössische Materialprüfungs- und Versuchs-Anstalt für Industrie. (Bauwesen und Gewerbe. Zürich, Bericht No. 149. March, 1944.) Report on static and dynamic tests on 25 composite specimens and 5 composite beams. Recommendations for design and practical applications. Structural details. Experience 1935-1944. Bibliography. Very important report on a new type of construction not yet introduced in this country. 113 illustrations. 92 pages.

Composite construction as known in this country (see Inf. Centre No. 1560:17.8.44) consists of a light structural steel frame, subsequently cased with concrete and additionally reinforced if necessary. The composite construction dealt with in this Swiss report is different in so far as the steel structure is not encased. Compound action between steel joist and reinforced concrete slab is secured by welded anchors embedded in the concrete. The first application of this type of construction was in Switzerland in 1914. Since 1934 it has been adopted in a number of remarkable structures and is now used in the USA (see No. 2688:29.8.46), Australia (see No. 1819:1.3.45) and many other countries.

The purpose of the recent tests in Switzer-land was to clarify further the technical and economic advantages resulting from the co-



Detail of composite steel and concrete construction as applied in Switzerland. See No. 2769.

operation between steel and concrete.

Two series of tests were carried out: In the first, different types of anchorage were investigated, in the second, five beams of 13 ft. span were included. In both series static as

well as endurance tests were made.
On the results of these tests, detailed recommendations for the design of buildings and bridges could be made. Several examples of industrial buildings and bridges are also described in the report.

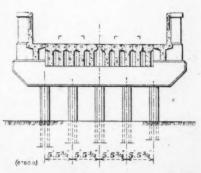
Composite construction allows a substantial saving in steel, the amount of which depends on the particular conditions of the individual structure. In the examples discussed it varies between 17 and 49 per cent. An additional advantage of composite structures as against pure structural steel is their increased rigidity. Simultaneously with the reduction in weight of steel, the deflection may be reduced by 50 per cent. The report is very well presented and illu-

strated. It is an important contribution to the application of a new form of construc-tion which should receive the attention of engineers and architects in this country.

Railway Widening

THE CARLISLE-KINGSMOOR WIDENING ON THE LMS RAILWAY. ing, June 14, 1946, pp. 555-557.) Double track railway bridge in precast reinforced concrete units over river Eden.

The war-time growth of goods traffic necessitated the erection of a new double track railway bridge over the river Eden at Carlisle. The older bridge, carrying the main line, crosses the river in seven 41 ft. spans, on stone piers at 46 ft. centres. In the new bridge the same pier spacing has been adopted. It is supported on pre-cast reinforced concrete piles of octagonal cross reinforced concrete piles of octagonal cross section, 21 in. across the flats. The piles are arranged in rows of five. The superstruc-ture consists of pre-cast reinforced concrete T-beams, 44 ft. long. Three types of units were used, the heaviest had a weight of 13



Section through bridge over the River Eden on the Carlisle-Kingsmoor LMS railway widening. See No. 2770.

Work was started in June, 1942, tons each. and completed in February, 1943.

This is probably the largest span railway bridge in pre-cast reinforced concrete carried out in this country.

2771 Brickwork

BRICKWORK. E. Lindsay Brailey. Foreword by George Hicks. (Pitman, 1945, 45s.) Comprehensive treatise on the theory and practice of the handicraft of the bricklayer. Manufacture of materials. Measurement of brickwork. 122 illustrations.

The purpose of this book is to teach the bricklayer his craft. Commencing with the manufacture of bricks, including a ful table of classified information about the types of brick available in this country, the author goes on to the actual practice of bricklaying. The various types of bond are described in great detail with a clarity that dispels the confusion often arising at this point. The same applies to arch construction, where a knowledge of geometry is necessary. New forms of special wall construction, developed during the last twenty years, such as reinforced brickwork, combination of brick and concrete, hollow concrete block walling, etc., are included. Of particular interest are the chapters on fireplaces, on chimneys and on circular work, which require a high degree of skill and craftsmanship. Terracotta and faience are

not omitted.

At several places, the insertion of more diagrams would be desirable (e.g., on p. 25, where the description of the hood is difficult to follow). In the chapter on quantities and pricing, the method of measurement is rather confusing. A statement like feet multiplied by feet produce feet would require some qualification. The example showing the multiplication of 5 ft. 10 in. by 2 ft. 9 in. is an amusing arithmetical exercise but seems to be a waste of time if done in actual practice. done in actual practice.

The book is not intended for the casual reader; both the text and the illustrations need careful study.

2772 Brickwork

BRICK STRUCTURES. How to BUILD THEM. Revised and edited by Ralph P. Stoddard. Eleventh Edition. (McGraw Hill Publishing Co., 10s.)

tical reference data on materials, design and methods employed in brick construction. Manual on brick masonry, with particular reference to the structural uses of brick in small buildings. Reference tables. 100 illustrations.

This book was first published in 1920 by the Brick Manufacturers' Association of America. Since then edition after edition has been published always revised and brought up-to-date under the direction of the chief engineer of the association. This fact alone speaks for the usefulness of the book.

It gives in simple, almost non-technical, language, all the information that is necessary to construct brick buildings successfully. Construction details are given for both solid and hollow walls, with many interesting notes on strong constructions using bricks on edge (Flemish bond all-Rolok wall).

Although devoted mainly to the proper use of brick in small structures employing the load-bearing wall, the material provided is equally applicable to large buildings as the facing material to steel and concrete. Many useful hints are given on the elimination of such troubles as porous walls, efflorescence, cracking and settlement, on thermal resistance, sound transmission, etc. The last chapter contains coursing tables, a table of weights of brick walls, and a series of tables showing the quantities of brick and mortar in typical forms of brick construction. The pictures are graphical illustrations of con-structional details and photographs of build-ings. Indoor and outdoor fireplaces are included, as well as walks and garden walls.

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"average maintained levels" of so-many foot-candles; for classrooms the figure is 20, for corridors 5, sewing and art rooms, general, 25 f.c. and local, 70 f.c.

Natural Lighting: No indication is given to indicate how day-lighting is measured or calculated, and the only guide appears to be the suggestion that the wall of the classthe suggestion that the wall of the class-room should be completely glazed. Light colours with matt finish are recommended for decoration.

Artificial Lighting: The main point seems to be that they require wiring for 3,000 watts in each classroom distributed at six lighting outlets, or 1,800 watts if fluorescent light is used. They recommend automatic switching controlled by photo-cell to turn the lights on when daylight drops to a toolow level.

In general, it is evident that though they ask for higher foot candle values than the new British regulations, the code is not so well thought out.

Public Buildings 2774

LIGHTING FOR SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS. (Lighting and Lamps, February, 1946, p. 28.) Very brief "brains trust."

This record of a discussion is worth noting only for one thing: evidence that in America they are moving towards dependence on artificial lighting in school classrooms even during daylight hours.

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LIGHTING CODE OF THE STATE OF MAINE-Extracts and notes on school classrooms by P. E. Weatherbee. (Lighting and Lamps, December, 1945.) Extracts from Code. Example cases. The example cases are of no interest here, but the main points of the code are worth noting for comparison with English develop-

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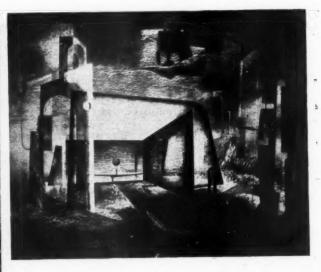
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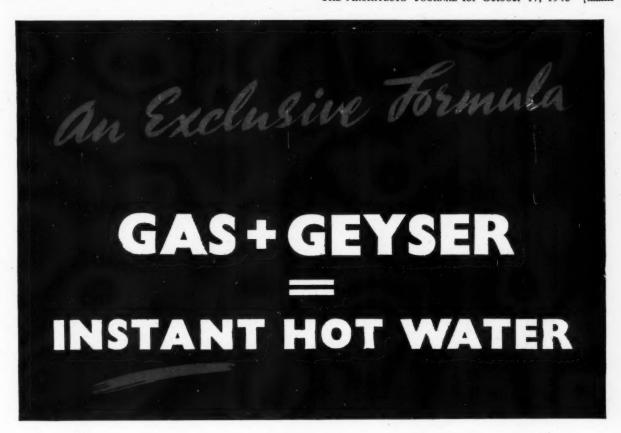
MURAL PAINTING. Hans Feibusch. (Adam and Charles Black, 1946, 21s.) Historical survey of mural painting. Notes on technique. Fifty-eight illutrations.

Although we may never again experience those conditions which made the Sistine frescoes possible, it may be that in the not rescoes possible, it may be that in the not too distant future architects will become less exclusively preoccupied with utilitarian aspects of building than has been the case in recent years. No architect whose sensibilities extend beyond matters of structural and economic efficiency could fail to derive stimulus from this survey of the background





Two illustrations from Mural Painting. Left, Judith by Mathäus Günther, on the ceiling of Wilton Church, Tyrol. Right, Focal Point, a mural panel by John Tunnard. The two paintings have a surprising amount in common in spite of the superficial contrast. See No. 2775.



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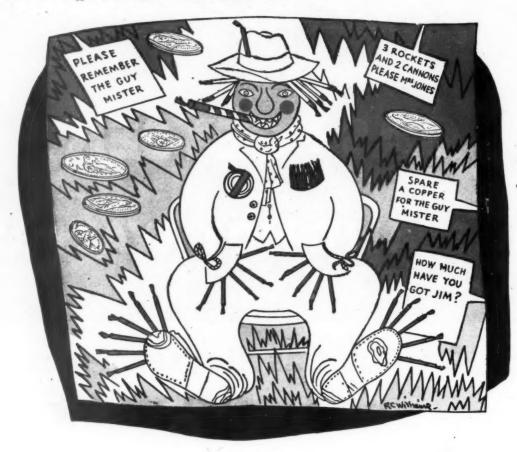
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and technique of mural painting. As Sir Charles Reilly observes in his introduction, it appears at exactly the right moment.

Necessarily there are omissions which to oneself appear unforgivable, but the historical scene is interestingly described and the majority of contemporary tendencies are represented.

It is unfortunate that no reproductions in colour have been included since mural painting—as opposed to sculpture—is al-most always conceived in terms of colour. Because of this much of the significance of a number of the illustrations is lost.

2776 Housing

HOMES FOR THE PEOPLE. By a Committee of the Association of Building Technicians. (Paul Elek, 1946, 7s. 6d.) Short study of the housing problem written for laymen.

This small book gives an up-to-date survey of the housing problem and deals with its main aspects in exciting and yet sensible

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(4) More Government research on building. (5) The revision of obsolete bye-laws. (6) The employment of qualified architects.

(7) The nationalisation of the land.
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At Durham University. Town and Country Planning Summer School organized by the Town Planning Institute. Paper on PLANNING FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES by A. W. Ashby, Agricultural Economics Research Institute, Oxford.

Physical planning A. W. Ashby: Physical planning is only a part of the current flow of economic and social events and forces, and not even a dominant part. Although it has legal sanctions, and such as may be entorces, and not prove its pre-eminence. Many rigid plans must become encumbrances on social progress. There has indisuch as may be enforced, this alone does per must become encumbrances on economic or social progress. There has been much planning in the past—by individuals, corporations and public authorities; and planning both promotive and restrictive. Some of these plans failed in their objects, others were successful. While the results of some successful plans are still of social value, there are others which we now

regard as encumbrances or worse. though we now say we are engaged in social planning, or in planning on behalf of society as a whole, this may aggravate rather than alleviate the conflict between rigid plans and their physical embodiments and economic and social progress. and economic and social progress. The current planner cannot know what the economic and social forces of the future may be; he cannot know what the scientist, the technician, the industrial organizer, the social idealist and promoter may think and do, or what they will offer society and it will accept. While we must plan, we should plan for the least necessary rigidity and as far as possible for fostering the forces of economic and social progress.

Such considerations are of great importance in the sphere of rural planning. In the 18th and early 19th centuries Enclosure Commissioners, landowners and farmers, fairly definitely planned large parts of agricultural England. They were limited in some respects by parish boundaries which had existed for many centuries (and still exist), by the relics of manorial boundaries, and by the activities of other previous planners, but within their scope perhaps they did their best. There are appreciators of the æsthetic aspects of rural scenery who say that in some parts they could scarcely have done better than they did. While agricultural technicians and promoters would modify this scenery, the æsthetic agricultural appreciators would retain it. There is a conflict which appears to be one between materialism and sentimental and æsthetic values, but is, in fact, a conflict between two sets of material, moral, and æsthetic values. The present lay-out produces material and immaterial values. A changed lay-out would also produce both varieties; and its promoters may be justified in saying that it would produce more of both, taken together.

Many of our villages have had basic plans made by or on behalf of feudal lords and later of landlords. The sites of most if not all of them seem to have been fairly deliberately chosen. Those which were not planned were not built without thought or without deliberate selection of general situation and sizes of selection of general situations and sizes of selection of general situations and sizes of selection of general situations and sizes of selections. tion and sites of specific buildings. Doubtless the sites of many villages now seem to have been chosen haphazardly, and their buildings dropped accidentally if not per-versely. But the siting of villages and of buildings within them was done for reasons which seemed good and sufficient to those who chose the sites. Even if they only "grew," they did so as a result of a comgrew, they did so as a result of a complex of forces—geo-physical conditions such as of water-supply, of shelter, of defence, and access to means of communication; agricultural conditions; forces arising from property rights; the technical means and the economic resources available when general economic resources available when general siting and building was done; besides some

forces more of special character. Reasons for siting have now changed; technical means of modifying or controlling some geo-physical conditions have vastly increased and improved; means of transport have radically changed, and with these changes needs have increased; agricultural methods have changed to some extent, but perhaps show indications of far greater changes in the near future. Yet property rights and interests may still block the way to changes we would like to make. And it is yet very uncertain, to say the least, whether there will be available economic resources sufficient for promotive or creative as distinct from mainly restrictive physical

planning in rural areas.

There are agriculturists, economists and physical planners who would modify and in some areas radically change the lay-out of fields and farms; possibly making radical increases in farm acreages; and in many cases re-equip the newly laid-out holdings with buildings of different char-

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acter from those now in use.

cannot be any doubt that they have sound and adequate agricultural and economic reasons for their suggestions. There have also been suggestions from people con-cerned with public health and other aspects of social welfare, that many villages re-quite re-siting, with reference to water supplies, sanitation or other health conditions, and with reference to transport and other physical and social amenities

While in some districts field lay-outs have shown little change since the original enclosure, the grouping of fields into holdings and farms, and the sizes of farms, have shown considerable changes from time to time, and not all these changes have been in the same direction. Similarly, if villages and outlying buildings in some areas are examined, there will be found many houses, some with and others without buildings, formerly farmsteads, but now without any attachment to either land or farming. Since 1850 many villages and hamlets have declined in population and in economic and social importance. During our own time, and in rural areas with a fairly stable total

population, this process is still going on; for while the economically and socially weaker villages have been declining, others have been growing and rising in import-

While these processes of change occur as a result of "natural causes" or of remote economic causes, many people lament and protest but no one takes any effective action to stop them. Indeed, some of them could not be stopped without incurring eventual economic and social wastage and possibly human suffering greater than that caused by the changes themselves. But let anyone suggest that there be brought into play the planner's function of promoting and expediting the economic and social events which cause the changes, and action be taken to promote and expedite the new institutions required, there will be howls

of pain and derision.

Rural interests and rural communities may be submissive; they are not generally dominant nor powerful elements in current social and political movements; and consequently they may be regarded as subjects of planning by those who hold current power. the other hand, there are occasions when agricultural or rural interests excite the sentiments of the public press or of persons who exercise influence in public affairs, when it may be difficult to subject them to principles of sound social planning. There are people who suggest, apparently mainly on grounds of sentiment, that rural scenery should not be changed or that almost every change is a loss; that every disappearance small holding is a tragedy; and that reople ought to be encouraged, even heavily subsidized, to live in every village and humlet however economically and socially eak and unsatisfactory some of them may

The planner's task is easiest, his plans are least liable to be based on false judgments, when a place or area is showing definite trends of change at the time plans are made. Then it may be necessary to plan for progress and development, at least in part of the area. The most diffi-t cases, whether of land, of of buildings, or of hamlets or villages, are those in which "retirement" is indicated by the trend of events and forces. There may be instances in which it is necessary to "prop" and preserve in current use an area of land, or a village; in the former case possibly because of urgent temporary need of a form of production, and in the latter because of human breaks and sufferings which would be caused by radical action to remove or speed it on its way to Processes of economic disappearance. social retirement of land, buildings, vil-lages have nearly always existed; the impor-tant question is whether we now have sufficient wisdom to select cases and make plans for retirements and sufficient wisdom and

power of decision to put them into force.

In this sphere there are strong conservative, almost preservative forces of sentiment. Perhaps these are supported by a little thought, but in so far as there is thought it appears to be of a defeatist character. In the course of history many societies have gone through periods in which changes in environmental or internal conditions appeared to press too heavily upon them; periods in which it appeared that society might not emerge from its difficulties but might break up or be submerged. In such periods defeatist philosophies almost inevitably appear. One form of this defeatism is the propagation of the opinion that society has gone too its recent lines of change development; that it cannot make further progress or such as will satisfy its members, and therefore it must turn back in its tracks. This form of defeatism is particularly apt to appear in war and post-war periods. in this country after the appeared World War, and it has appeared again recently, somewhat more widely spread and intensive than before. The idea of turning back to a more primitive life, or to earlier and more primitive forms and methods of production is presented as progress, if only progress towards more spiritual and less material ends; and always with the suggestion that the earlier or more primitive forms yielded and will yield greater or deeper human satisfactions.

There are large elements of this type of feeling and thought in the outcry against use of artificial fertilizers, in the fears about large-scale farming and in some demands for more small holdings, and in outcries about reduction of agricultural population. But the process of turning back is also presented as one which is likely to lead to more continuous and certain material satisfactions. Recent and present economic and social organizations, it is suggested, has failed to yield society all the satisfactions which it members desire and has brought them certain definite dissatisfactions and troubles: therefore as this organization has failed and further progress along the same or related lines is bound to fail, the trends of economic and social organization must be reversed. Similar suggestions in respect of some technical methods are even clearer and firmer. But neither man nor society can win spiritual stature or material welfare by running away from difficulties. Turning back is an acceptof failure or defeat; but bafflement accompanied by new thought and endeavour may lead to progress. The society which fails to make progress becomes either static and stagnant or decadent. At present there seems no possibility of static economic and social organization in rural England. there may be a choice between progress and decay, most of the signs and trends are of progress. But progress will involve some important economic and social retirements with which physical planners must be concerned

In rural England the past is always with us, sometimes supporting, sometimes oppressing us. And in the sphere of rural philosophy there are people who think like Mrs. Hilbery After all what is the present? it is the past, and the better half, too, should say."* There is harking ba There is harking back not only as regards some technical methods and economic institutions but to what is supposed to have been the village com-With better and more frequent for travel, more leisure, more munity. material resources, and perhaps as a result and better education, new and social groupings have occurred. of more extended When rural inhabitants, whether of villages or the open country, seek many of their satisfactions outside the village, decay of village life is assumed. Therefore, the vil-lage community must be revived. A modicum of neighbourly relationships, even of "good neighbourliness," is essential to satisfactory living in any neighbourhood group *Virginia Woolf Night and Day

such as a village population. Elements of communal feeling and endeavour are also necessary. The strange feature of the situation is, however, that the more well-to-do families in villages always sought extravillage relationships and social groupings, and the "decay of the village community" was not thought of until the lower orders able and began to follow example.

The search for the village or the rural community is an attempt to revive previous conditions, old values. In part it is a revolt from new conditions of life, new interests, new groupings. In some respects it is any effort to rediscover and re-vitalize old con-trols as well as old values. Examination of past and present groupings of the rural population of Great Britain, even parts of England, will show that rural communities have taken many forms, and that the "village" community has never been uni-"village" community has never been universal. And close examination of the history of rural and village communities will show that they have rarely been free from differences in economic, religious and other interests and, consequently, from economic and social conflicts. Rural social group-ings of the future will be based partly on the village or the "neighbourhood," partly on wider area bases such as those of the market or country town (sometimes on a complex of these towns and their economic and social hinterlands), and partly on an extremely wide variety of individual and family interests. The geographical range of interest groupings will depend, as they interest groupings will depend, as they have always done, on the nature of the interest concerned, the material resources and leisure of individuals, and means of

While it appears quite certain that the importance of interest groupings in rural communities will increase, this does not necessarily imply a decline of social life within the neighbourhood group; it may and is more likely to imply a general increase in social activities—an increase in interindividual and inter-family communications

and associations

Neighbourhood groups will always require certain primary social institutions, such as schools, churches and more common meeting-places and consequently, appropriate physical facilities for these institutions. Some village schools will illustrate cases of social retirement and there are village churches and chapels which have suffered much the same process as these schools, but, unfortunately, without the same formal and only rarely with the same effective transfer of functions and subjects to stronger fellow institutions within the same locality. If the village comwithin the same locality. If the village com-munity or the neighbourhood group is to be strengthened, or re-established, there are many cases in which a village hall or club -a common. non-sectarian, non-party meeting place—will be a primary necessity; and others in which a more adequate of improved building is required. There are still many villages in which the need of a recreation ground, adequate in space, position, and maintenance has never been squarely faced and met. It is scarcely possible to build a "village community" in a village in which those who wish to play have no space in which they can play freely and without reference to the needs or comfortof any farmer's cows.

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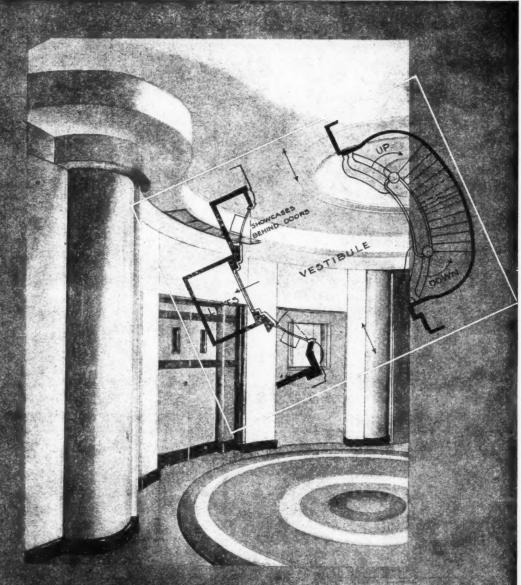
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symon succeeds Miss Evelyn Sharp, who has been appointed Deputy Secretary of the Ministry of Town and Country Planning.

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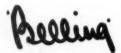
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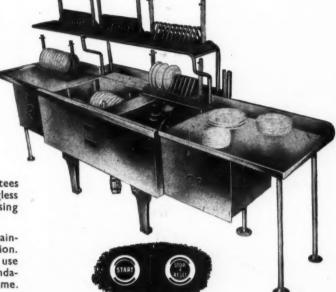
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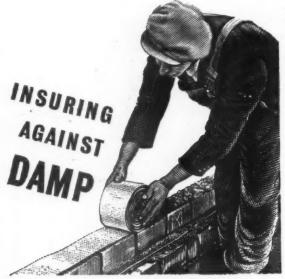
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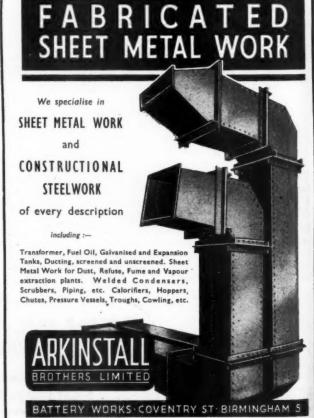


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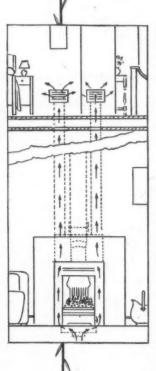
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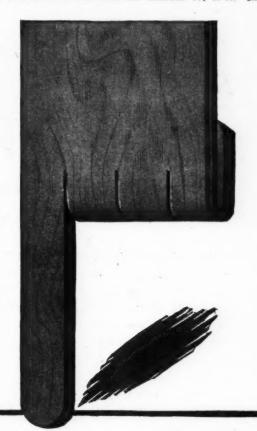
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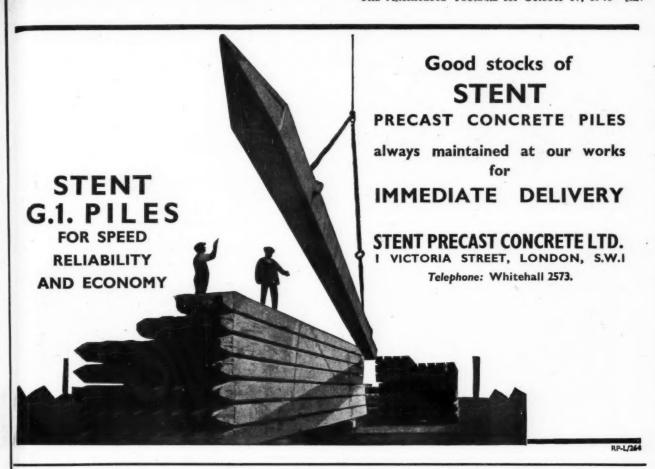
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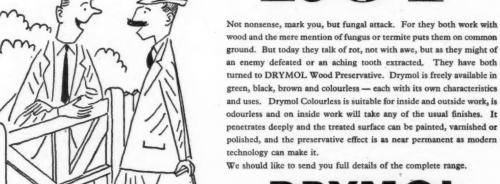
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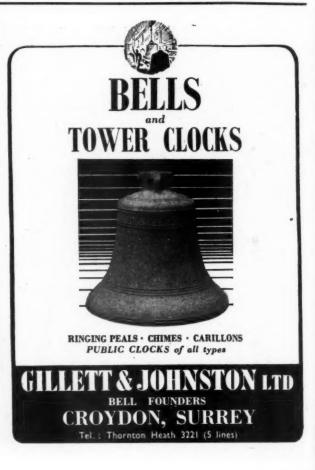
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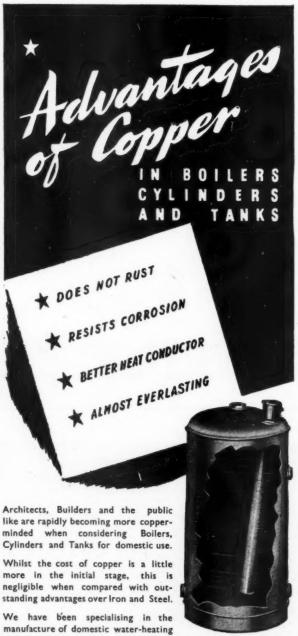
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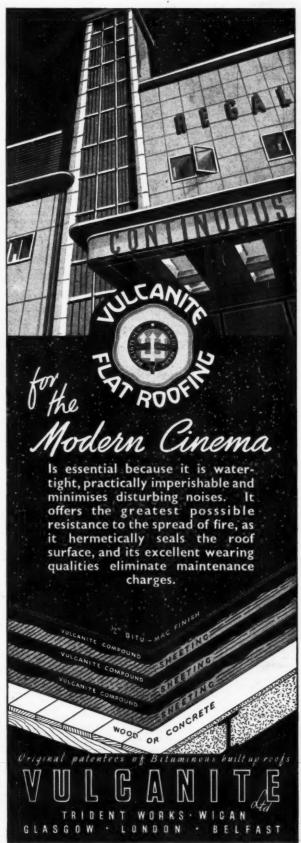
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EMRYS EVANS. Town Clerk.

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BOROUGH ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.

ASSISTANT.

Applications are invited for the appointment of one Third-Class Architectural Assistant, in the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department.
The salary attaching to the post will be Administrative, Professional and Technical, Grade I, of the National Whitley Council Scale for the London area, namely 2380 per annum, by 215's to 2425 per annum, plus cost-of-living bonus. Candidates must have passed the Intermediate Examination of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or hold an equivalent qualification, and preferably have general knowledge and experience of architectural work in the service of a Local Authority.
The appointment, which will be terminable by one month's notice on either side, is, subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination. Applications, together with copies of not more than three recent testimonials, should be forwarded to the undersigned, endorsed "Architectural Assistant." not later than 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 30th October, 1946.

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(b) ONE ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYOR, at a salary in accordance with Grade V of the Administrative, Professional and Technical Division. as above.

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Forms of application and conditions of service can be obtained from the undersigned. Applications, stating age, experience and qualifications, together with copies of three recent testimonials, must be delivered to Mr. Colin L. Jones, F.R.I.B.A.. County Architect, Queen's Hill, Newport, Mon. not later than the first post on Monday, 28th October, 1946.

VERNON LAWRENCE, Clerk of the Council. County Hall, Newport, Mon.

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Forms of application, with further particulars of the appointment, may be obtained from the Establishment Officer (Room 31), Department of Health for Scotland, St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh, 1, and must be returned to him not later than the 31st October, 1946.

Those candidates who appear best qualified will be required to attend a Selection Board in Edinburgh or London.

BOROUGH OF SOUTHGATE.

BOROUGH ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.

Applications are invited for the appointment of Two Architectural Assistants, on the established staff of the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department, at a salary, etc., in accordance with Grade V of the A.P.T. Division of the National Joint Council Scales, i.e., 2460-2516 per annum, plus £29 London area weighting.

In addition a cost-of-living bonus (at present £59 16s. per annum) is payable.

Applicants should be Associate Members of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or hold an equivalent qualification. Previous Municipal experience, particularly in Housing, will be an advantage.

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GORDON H. TAYLOR, Town Clerk. Southgate Town Hall, Palmers Green, N.13. October, 1946.

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APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS.

Applications are invited from qualified persons for the permanent appointment of Architectural Assistant (Grade C) in the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

Candidates must be Associate Members of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or hold an equivalent qualification, and have general knowledge and experience of architectural work.

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There is also a vacancy for a temporary Architectural Assistant at the same salary, and candidates should indicate whether they would accept this appointment, which is likely to exist for at least two years.

The appointments will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, to the Council's conditions of service for official staff in force from time to time, and the successful candidates will be required to pass a medical examination.

Applications on the form provided must be delivered to the undersigned, together with copies of three recent testimonials, not later than Monday, 28th October, 1946.

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H. A. EDWARDS, Town Clerk. Town Hall, East Ham, E.6. 11th October, 1946.

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THOS. BOYCE,
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GOVERNMENT OF NORTHERN IRELAND.

September, 1946.

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Preference will be given to candidates who served with H.M. Forces during the 1914-18 or 1939-45 war, providing the Ministry is satisfied that such candidates can, or within reasonable time, will be able to discharge the duties of the post efficiently.

Closing Date for Receipt of Applications.—Applications must reach the Assistant Secretary (Establishments). Ministry of Finance. Stormont, Belfast, on or before the Jist October. 1946. Applicants abould also enclose copies of two recent testimonials.

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BOROUGH OF EDMONTON.

BOROUGH ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

APPOINTMENT OF DRAUGHTSMAN (TEMPORARY).

Applications are invited for the temporary appointment of Draughtsman, in the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department, at a salary in accordance with Grade I of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service (£330-£15-£375 per annum), plus London "weighting £20 per annum, and cost-of-living bonus, at present £59 lés, per annum. Candidates should hold appropriate qualifications, and have had experience in housing and general building work. The appointment will be subject to one month's notice on either side and to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

The successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination.

Applications should be made on forms to be obtained from the Borough Engineer and Surveyor. Town Hall, Edmonton, London, N.9, and should be returned with copies of three recent testimonials to the undersigned on or before 26th October, 1946.

H. BACKHOUSE,

H. BACKHOUSE, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Edmonton, N.9. 4th October, 1946.

NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING TRUST. APPOINTMENT OF QUANTITY SURVEYOR.

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The salary scale attaching to the post will be £640×£20—£890, with entry point above the minimum in the case of a candidate with exceptional qualifications and experience.

The Northern Ireland Housing Trust is a Statutory Body set up by Parliament, and has an immediate building programme of several thousand houses.

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The Chief Technical Officer of the Trust is E. A. Ferriby, Esq., B.Arch., A.R.I.B.A., A.M.T.P.I. The appointment will be full time, and other things being equal, and ex-Service preference will be given.

Candidates should apply by letter to the address given below, stating date and place of birth, qualifications and experience, the date when able to commence duties, and the names of two referees.

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Applications will be received up to 9th November, 1946.
General Manager,
Northern Ireland Housing Trust, 5, Donegall
Square South, Belfast.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF SWANSEA.

ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYORS.

Applications are invited for the following appointments on the stablished staff in the Borough Architect's Department:—

(a) Senior Assistant Quantity Surveyor. Salary (Grade V), 2460, rising by two annual Increments of £15 and one of £20 to £510 per annum.

(b) Assistant Quantity Surveyor. Salary (Grade IIII). £390, rising by annual increments of £15 to £435 per annum.

The salary scales are those of the A.P. and T. Division of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service. and are exclusive of the "cost-of-living" bonus payable in addition at the will of the Council (current rate 23s. per week).

Applicants for both appointments must be Professional Associates of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, having qualified in the Quantities Sub-Division, and should have had considerable experience in "taking off" in a quantity surveyor's office.

Applicants must be under 45 years of age. The appointments will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful candidates will be required to pass a medical examination.

The appointments may be terminated by one month's notice on either side.

Forms of application may be obtained from the Borouch Architect, Guildhall, Swansea.

Applications, accompanied by copies of three recent testimonials, and enclosed in an envelope endorsed "Senior Assistant Quantity Surveyor" or "Assistant Quantity Surveyor, or indirectly, will dismabile.

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T. B. BOWEN, Town Clerk.

Guildhall, Swansea. 8th October, 1946.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF DONCASTER.

BOROUGH SURVEYOR AND WATER ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT.

Applications are invited for the following appointments, at salaries in accordance with the National Joint Council Scales, plus cost-of-living bonus (at present £59 16s. per annum), unless otherwise stated:—

(a) SENIOR ENGINEERING ASSISTANT, Grade E.5 (£460-£510).

(b) ENGINEERING ASSISTANT, Grade E.4 (£420-£430).

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(a) SENIOR ENGINEERING ASSISTANT,
Grade E.5 (£460-£510).
(b) ENGINEERING ASSISTANT, Grade E.4
(£420-£465).
(c) TWO TEMPORARY ENGINEERING
ASSISTANTS, £500, plus cost-of-living bonus.
(d) SENIOR SURVEYING ASSISTANT, Grade
E.2 (£360-£405).
(e) ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYOR,
Grade E.2 (£360-£405).
(f) TWO ENGINEERING DRAUGHTSMEN,
General Division, £65-£300, according to age
(maximum at 30 years).
(g) TWO ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS,
Grade E.3 (£390-£435).
(h) ONE ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT,
Grade E.2 (£360-£405).
(a) Applicants for appointments should be
Associate Members of the Institution of Civil
Engineers and/or hold the Testamur of the Institution of Municipal and County Engineers, and
should have extensive experience in all aspects of
Municipal Engineering work.
(b) Be Associate Members of the Institution of
Civil Engineers or hold the Testamur of the
Institution of Municipal and County Engineers,
and should have experience in all aspects of the
work of a Municipal Engineer's Department,
including Buildings and Water Supply.
(c) Have had extensive experience
in all aspects of the
work of a Sewage Disposal, including
Pumping Stations, and be suitably qualified.—The
period of employment will be for a period of
at least three years.
(d) Have had considerable experience in the
survey and levelling work required in a large
Municipal Engineer's Office, and be qualified to
take charge of Private Street Works under the
Public Health Act, 1875.
(e) Have had experience in the preparation of
Specifications and Bills of Quantities for Municipal Buildings and Engineering Works.

(f) Be neat and expeditious draughtsman, preferably with previous municipal experience.
(g) Have had experience in the design, construction, and maintenance of Public Buildings, and
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1, Priory Place, Doncaster.

BOROUGH OF MANSFIELD.

BOROUGH ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

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Applications are invited for the following appointments, both of which are subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, a medical examination, and one month's notice on either side. The salary scales are those of the A.P. & T. Division of the National Scales, and are exclusive of the cost-of-living bonus, at present £59 16s. per annum.

(a) CHIEF (ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT (Grade VI), £535-£20-£20-£25-£600 (commencing salary in accordance with qualifications and experience).

(b) QUANTITY SURVEYING ASSISTANT (Grade III), £390-£15-£15-£435 (commencing salary £390).

Candidates for appointment (a) must be Registered Architects and Associates of the Royal Institute of British Architects, with considerable experience in the design of houses, municipal architectural work, and building quantities. Candidates for appointment (b) must be Professional Associates of the Royal Chartered Institute of Surveyors, having qualified in the Quantities Sub. Division, and should be experienced in the preparation of Specifications, Bills of Quantities, and Final Accounts for Housing Public Buildings, etc.

Application forms may be obtained from Mr. E. T. Crowe, B.Sc., A.M.I.C.E.. Borough Engineer and Surveyor, Carr Bank, Mansfeld, to whom applications, appropriately endorsed, must be delivered not later than Friday, 1st November, Carvassing, either directly or indirectly, will

Canvassing, either directly or indirectly, will disqualify. A. C. SHEPHERD, Town Clerk.

Carr Bank, Mansfield. 7th October, 1946.

NOTTINGHAM AND DISTRICT TECHNICAL SHAKESPEARE STREET, NOTTINGHAM.

Principal: H. BAKER, Ph.D., A.M.I.C.E., A.M.I.M.E.

LECTURER required in the Department of Building and Civil Engineering. A degree in Civil or Municipal Engineering or a higher qualification in Building or Architecture is re-quired. Particulars and form of application, etc., may be obtained from the Registrar, to whom it should be returned as soon as possible.

F. STEPHENSON, Acting Clerk to the Governors.

CITY OF MANCHESTER.

HOUSING DEPARTMENT.

(1) The Manchester Corporation invite applica-

(1) The Manchester Corporation invite applications for the following appointments:—
(a) DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HOUSING, at a basic salary of £1,050, rising by blennial increments of £100 to £1,250 per annum.
(b) DEPUTY (DIRECT WORKS) MANAGER, at a basic salary of £575, rising by annual increments of £25 to £650 per annum (Grade VII—National Scales).
(c) DEPUTY (MAINTENANCE) MANAGER, at a basic salary of £460, rising by annual increments of £15 and £20 to £510 per annum (Grade V—National Scales).
(d) FIRST PURCHASING ASSISTANT, at a basic salary of £330, rising by annual increments of £15 to £375 per annum (Grade I—National Scales).
(e) SECOND PURCHASING ASSISTANT, at a basic salary of £315, rising by annual increments of £15 to £360 per annum (Clerical Division—National Scales).

basic salary of 2315, rising by annual increments of £15 to £360 per annum (Clerical Division—National Scales).

(2) In each case the appropriate cost-of-living bonus recommended by the National Joint Council is payable in addition to the basic salary shown, and as regards (c) the salary may be reviewed in certain circumstances.

With regard to (a) the duties of this officer will be to deputise for and generally assist the Director of Housing, who is responsible for the control, organization and administration of the Cerporation's Housing Department. Applicants must be capable organizers and administrators, possessing good business ability and experience of the design and construction of houses and the development of housing estates.

So far as (b) and (c) are concerned, applicants should have practical experience of all branches of the building trades, the requisitioning of plant and materials, the direction of different classes of labour, the erection of dwellings and estate development. Applicants for the post of Works Manager recently advertised who have already asked that their previous application should be treated as an application for the post of Deputy (Direct Works) Manager need not submit a further application.

With regards to (d) and (e), applicants should have experience of the buying of materials required for the construction, repair and renewal of houses, and also of the inspection and testing of materials submitted by contractors.

Applications (with copies of three recent testimonials) must be made upon the prescribed form, obtainable from me, and returned in a sealed envelope, indicating the appointment applied for, so as to reach me at the Town Hall, Manchester, 2, not later than Saturday, the 2nd November, 1946.

Canvassing in any form, oral or written, direct or indirect, is prohibited, and applications of the Housing Committee or the Council.

PHILIP B. DINGLE,

Town Hall, Manchester, 2.

Town Hall, Manchester, 2. 9th October, 1946.

BOROUGH OF BEDDINGTON AND WALLINGTON.

APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.

ASSISTANT.

Applications are invited for the above appointment, in the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department, at a salary in accordance with A.P.T., Grade I, of the National Scales (£330-£15-£275), plus £20 London weighting, and cost-of-living bonus, at present £59 15s. a year.

The appointment is subject to the provisions of the National Scheme, and to one month's notice on either side.

Candidates must have passed the Intermediate examination of the R.I.B.A., or hold some other appropriate qualification by examination.

Form of application, with further particulars, may be obtained from the Borouch Engineer and Surveyor (Mr. A. W. Poynor, B.Sc.), and on completion should be sent, in envelope endorsed "Architectural Assistant," to reach me not later than Saturday, 26th October, 1946.

C. PETER CLARKE,
Town Hall, Wallington, Surrey.

Town Hall, Wallington, Surrey. 1st October, 1946.

ROBERT GORDON'S TECHNICAL COLLEGE, ABERDEEN.

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND DEPART-MENT OF BUILDING. Head: E. F. DAVIES, B.Arch.(Lvpl.), F.R.I.B.A., F.R.I.A.S.

Applications are invited for the following

Applications are invited for the following posts:—

(a) FULL-TIME LECTURER AND STUDIO INSTRUCTOR IN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTIONAL SUBJECTS. Salary: 2400 by £15 to £625. Honours Graduate, or with additional qualification, £450 by £15 to £685.

(b) FULL-TIME JUNIOR LECTURER AND STUDIO INSTRUCTOR IN CONSTRUCTIONAL SUBJECTS. Salary: £360 by £15 to £595.

Commencing salary: £360 by £15 to £595.

Applications and experience.

Applications be members of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and should possess the Degree or Diploma of a recognized School of Architecture.

Members of the staff of the school are normally afforded reasonable opportunities for practice and research.

The successful applicants will be expected to take up duties as soon as possible, but consideration will be given to applications received from men who may still be on National Service.

Applications, accompanied by three recent testimonials and names of three referees, should reach the undersigned (from whom further particulars may be obtained) by Thursday, November 7, 1946.

A. C. WEST,

A. C. WEST, Director.

BOROUGH OF BEXLEY.

APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS.

ASSISTANTS.

Applications are invited for the appointment of Two Architectural Assistants, in the Architect's Section of the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department, at salaries in accordance with Grade I of the A.P. and T. Division of the National Scales of Salaries—2330×215—2375 per annum. The salaries will commence at 2560 p.a., and there is in addition a weighting for the London area of £20 p.a., plus a cost-of-living bonus of £59 16s. p.a.

Candidates for the posts, which are permanent, should be Student members of the R.J.B.A., and have had experience in the preparation of working and detail drawings, specifications, and reports on works in progress.

The appointments will be subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and terminable by one month's notice on either side.

Applications, giving age, details of qualifications and experience, present and previous appointments, together with copies only of testimonials, must be received by the Borough Engineer and Surveyor, Council Offices, Bexley-heath, Kent. not later than Monday, the 28th October, 1946.

Applicants must state in their applications whether to their knowledges they are related to whether to their knowledges they are related to

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Applicants must state in their applications whether to their knowledge they are related to any member of or the holder of any senior office under the Council. Failure to do so or canvassing in any way will disqualify.

ARTHUR GOLDFINCH,

Council Offices, Bexleyheath.

THE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF HATFIELD.

APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS.

Applications are invited for the following appointments on the staff of the Council's Architect. Mr. J. H. Parker. A.R.I.B.A.:—
(a) ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT—Grade IV of the Administrative. Professional and Technical Division (£420-£455 p.a.).
(b) JUNIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT—Grade I of the Miscellaneous Division (£255-£300 p.a.).

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Cost-of-living bonus on the National Scale will be paid in addition to the above salaries.

Preference will be given to candidates who have passed the final of the R.I.B.A. or equivalent examination. Candidates for the second appointment should be undergoing or about to undergo a course of architectural training.

Applications, stating age, present post, a full particulars, should be sent to the und signed by Saturday, the 26th October, 1946.

7th October, 1946.

EDGAR F. CULL,

Clerk of the Council. Council Offices, 16, St. A. Hatfield, Herts Albans Road,

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BOROUGH OF NUNEATON.

APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.

Applications are invited for the appointment of Architectural Assistant, on the permanent staff, in accordance with the National Scale, A.P.T., Grade V, salary £460-£15-£20-£510.

A cost-of-living bonus, at present £59 16s. per annum, is also payable, and the successful applicant will be required to pass a medical examination, and be subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, the appointment being terminable by one month's notice on either side.

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Candidates should be Registered Architects, and preference will be given to Corporate Members of the R.I.B.A. or holders of the Diploma of a recognized School of Architecture.

Experience in Housing, Schools and Public Buildings is desirable. Applications, stating age, qualifications, experience, whether married or single, together with copies of two recent testimonials, should reach the undersigned not later than 31st October, 1946.

R. C. MOON, A.M.Inst.C.E.,

R. C. MOON, A.M.Inst.C.E.,

Borough Engineer and Surveyor.

Council House, Nuneaton.

5th October, 1946.

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BOROUGH OF COLNE.

APPOINTMENT OF THREE ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS.

APPOINTMENT OF THREE ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS.

Applications are invited for the following appointments on the permanent staff of the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department:—
(a) Two Architectural Assistants, at a salary in accordance with Grade V of the National Joint Council Scale of Salaries (£460 to £510 per annum).

(b) One Architectural Assistant, at a salary in accordance with Grade III of the National Joint Council Scale of Salaries (£390 to £435 per annum).

(c) One Architectural Assistant, at a salary in accordance with Grade III of the National Joint Council Scale of Salaries (£390 to £435 per annum), plus cost-of-living bonus, at present £59 16s. per annum.

Applicants for appointment (a) must be qualified Architects, experienced in the preparation of Specifications and Estimates, with particular reference to housing development, and should have had a thorough training in design and building construction, preferably with a local authority. Preference will be given to persons holding a recognized architectural qualification.

Applicants for appointment (b) must be qualified Architects, and will be required in the first place for the work in connection with Section 34 of the Factories Act, 1937 (means of escape in case of fire), and to be available for general architectural work, particularly in connection with housing schemes.

The appointments will be determinable by one month's notice in writing on either side, and are subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937. The successful candidates will be required to pass satisfactorily a medical examination. Candidates appointed will be required to devote the whole of their time to the service of the Council.

Applications, endorsed "Architectural Assistant (a)," or "Architectural Assistant (b)," stating age, qualifications, present and previous appointments, details of experience, and giving the names of three persons to whom reference can be made as to character and capabilities, must be delivered to the undesigned not later than Monday,

L. A. VENABLES, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Colne.

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BOROUGH OF WATFORD.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT. APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT ARCHITECT.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT ARCHITECT.

Applications are invited for the permanent appointment of an Assistant Architect, in the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

Salary on Grade II, A.P.T., of the National Scale, £360 per annum, rising, subject to satisfactory service, to £465 per annum, plus cost-of-living bonus, at present £59 16s. per annum.

Applicants should hold an appropriate professional examination (and must have had experience in architectural design and construction). The appointment will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination.

Applications, stating age, qualifications, present and past appointments, and full details of experience, together with copies of two testimenials, must be sent to Mr. F. C. Save, Assoc.M.Inst. C.E., M.Inst.M. & C.E., Borough Engineer and Surveyor, Town Hall, Watford, not later than Friday, 25th October, endorsed "Assistant Architect."

A. NORMAN SCHOFIELD, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Watford. October, 1946. 610

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Clerk.

Applications are invited for the appointment of a TOWN PLANNING ASSISTANT, on the staff of the Borough Engineer and Surveyor, at a salary in accordance with Grade IV of the National Salary Scale (A.P. and T. Division), viz., £420-£465 p.a., plus £20 p.a. weighting for the London area, and a cost-of-living bonus, at present £59 16s. p.a.

The appointment is on the permanent staff, and is subject to the provisions of the Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1937. The successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination.

Applicants should be Corporate Members of the Town Planning Institute and, in addition, hold an architectural, surveying, or engineering qualification. They should also have had considerable experience in the preparation and administration of planning schemes.

Applications, stating in the following order: (i) title of appointment applied for; (ii) surname, followed by Christian names; (iii) address; (iv) age, date and place of birth; (v) education and training; (vi) professional qualifications (a) by examination, (b) without examination; (vii) present position, salary, and date appointed; (ivi) detailed particulars of experience; (x) length of notice required in present position, shuld be forwarded with copies of two recent testimonials to the undersigned, to be delivered not later than 31st October, 1946.

Canvassing will disqualify. Candidates shall, when making application, disclose in writing whether to their knowledge they are related to any member of the Council or senior officer.

CLIFFORD HEYWORTH, Town Clerk

CARDIFF AND DISTRICT JOINT PLANNING COMMITTEE.

PLANNING OFFICER.

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Applications are invited for the position of Planning Officer to the above-mentioned Joint Committee. The position now advertised is the first appointment to be made.

The position will be a whole-time one, and the salary will be according to experience and qualifications within the scale of £800 to £1000 per annum, by annual increments of £800. The conditions of service will be those contained in the Scheme of Conditions of Service Prepared by the National Joint Council for Local Authorities Administrative, etc., Services. The appointment will be determinable by three months' notice on either side, and will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937. The successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination.

The Joint Committee has recently been constituted to prepare a Planning Scheme for that part of the County of Glamorgan comprising the areas of the Barry Borough Council, the Penarth Urban District Council, the Cardiff Rural District Council, and part of the City of Cardiff.

Applicants should have had wide experience of all aspects of Statutory Planning, Interim Development Control, preparation of basic surveys and statutory planning schemes, and must be Corporate Members of the Town Planning Institute. In addition, applicants must be one of the following:—

(a) Corporate Members of the Institution of Civil Engineers;
(b) Corporate Members of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors;
(d) Fellows or Associates of the Royal Institution of Strites Architects.

Applicants must disclose in writing whether to their knowledge they are related to any Member or Senior Officer of the Joint Committee. Canvasing will disquality.

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S. TAPPER JONES.

Clerk to the Cardiff and District Joint Planning Committee.

Sth October, 1946.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF WALLASEY

APPOINTMENT OF QUANTITY SURVEYOR.

Applications are invited, by 19th November, 1946, for the appointment of a Quantity Surveyor, in Grade A.P.T. IV, at a salary of £420 by £15 to £465 per annum, plus bonus, £59 198, 3d.

Particulars and forms of application are obtainable from the Borough Surveyor, Town Hall, Wallasey, on receipt of a stamped addressed envelope.

EMRYS EVANS,

Town Clerk.

CITY OF OXFORD.

Applications are invited for the following appointments, in the Department of the City Estates Surveyor and Architect to the Education

sestates surveyor and Architect to the Education Committee.

Appointments (a) and (c) will be subject to the National Scheme of Conditions of Service, and to the provisions of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1937.

Arrangements can be made, if desired, for renting housing accommodation.

(a) SENIOR ASSISTANT. At a salary in accordance with Grade III of the National Scale of Salaries, viz., 2390 to £435 per annum, exclusive of cost-of-living bonus (at present £59 16s. per annum).

Applicants must be Professional Associates of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, with experience in valuation and property management, and accustomed to the preparation of plans and specifications for minor building works.

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(b) ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT (TEM-PORARY). At a salary from £460 to £510 per annum, according to experience, exclusive of cost-of-living bonus (at present £59 16s. per annum). Applicants should be Associate Members of the R.I.B.A., and have had experience of School Work.

(c) TECHNICAL ASSISTANT—HOUSING. At a salary in accordance with Grade I (Miscellaneous Division) of the National Scale of Salaries, viz., £255, rising by annual increments of £15 to £300 per annum, plus cost-of-living bonus (at present £59 16s. per annum).

The duties will be in connection with the repairs and maintenance of the Corporation's Housing Estates, and candidates must possess a knowledge of building construction and management of property.

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Applications, stating age, qualifications and experience, accompanied by copies of not more than three recent testimonials, should be sent to the City Estates Surveyor, Town Hall, Oxford, not later than Monday, the 11th November, 1946.

Town Hall, Oxford.

BOROUGH OF SCARBOROUGH.

APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.

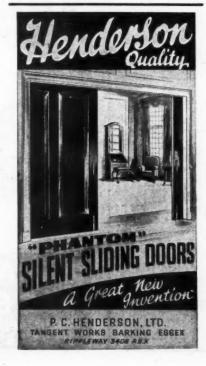
Applications are invited from duly qualified persons for the appointment of Architectural Assistant. Salary scale in Grade III of the National Joint Council Scales of Salaries £239-£435. plus £59 l6s. war bonus, according to qualifications and experience).

The appointment is subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, and terminable by one month's notice in writing on either side. The successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination. Applications, stating age, particulars of training, qualifications and experience, together with copies of three recent testimonials, should be delivered to the undersigned not later than the 4th November, 1946.

H. V. OVERFIELD,

H. V. OVERFIELD,

Borough and Water Engineer.
Town Hall, Scarborough. 634



COUNTY BOROUGH OF DONCASTER EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT EDUCATION ARCHITECT.

Applications are invited from men of suitable qualifications and experience for appointment as Assistant Education Architect. Applicants should have passed the qualifying examination of the R.I.B.A. or one of equivalent standing. Salary in accordance with Grade A.P.T. IV of the National Joint Council Scales (£420×£15—£465, plus bonus.

The post will be superannuable. Conditions of appointment obtainable from the undersigned on receipt of stamped addressed foolscap envelopes. Applications should be sent as soon as possible.

V. H. HOSKIN,

V. H. HOSKIN,

Chief Education Officer. Sth October, 1946.

BATTERSEA BOROUGH COUNCIL.

APPOINTMENT OF TWO SENIOR ARCHI-TECTURAL ASSISTANTS.

Applications are invited for permanent appointments of two Senior Architectural Assistants, in the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department, at a salary in accordance with A.P.T., Grades V to VI. of the National Scale. vis., 2460-2660, plus £20 London weighting and cost-of-living bonus, at present £20 16s. per annum. Candidates must be Associates of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and be experienced in the planning and design of housing schemes. The appointments are subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and will be terminable by one month's notice on either side. The successful candidates will be required to pass a medical examination. Applications, on forms which may be obtained from the Borough Engineer and Surveyor, Town Hall, Lavender Hill, S.W.II, and accompanied by copies of three recent testimonials, should be delivered to the undersigned not later than noon on Monday, the 11th November, 1946.

R. G. BERRY,

Town Hall, Lavender Hill, S.W.11.

Town Clerk.
October, 1946.

Architectural Appointments Vacant

Four lines or under, 5s.; each additional line, 1s. 6d.

Wherever possible prospective employers are urged to give in their advertisements full information about the duty and responsibilities involved, the location of the office, and the salary offered. The inclusion of the Advertiser's name in lieu of a box number is welcomed

A RCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT required for progressive London firm of architects; good prospects for keen and energetic man. Write, giving details, to Box 573.

LONDON PASSENGER TRANSPORT invited for appointments on the temporary staff of the Architect's Office as follows: ASSISTANT ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS. STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING ASSISTANTS. STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING ASSISTANTS. Salaries range from £250 to £465 per annum, according to ability, qualifications and experience, plus war advance, at present £72 16s, per annum. Applications, which should give a brief outline of training and experience, to be sent to Assistant Staff Officer (ER/E.261), 55. Broadway, Westminster, S.W.I., or by telephone ABBey 1234, extension 194.

WEST END Surveyors require qualified Surveyor; to take complete charge of department dealing with W/D claims, compensations, schedules of repairs and conditions; good salary and prospects for right man; must have experience. Box 581.

EY, COLBECK & PARTNERS have a vacancy for a Senior Draughtsman, who has at least 5 years' experience of London practice. 'Phone London Wall 2917.

SENIOR and JUNIOR ASSISTANTS required immediately for general practice. State age, experience, and salary required, to Howard Williams & Partner, 2, St. Andrews Place, Cardiff.

VACANCIES occur for experienced Assistants, in the Architects' Department of a Midland Multiple Company. Applicants are requested to give particulars of training, qualifications, age, and salary required, to Box 614.

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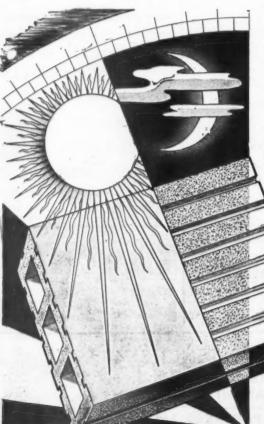
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