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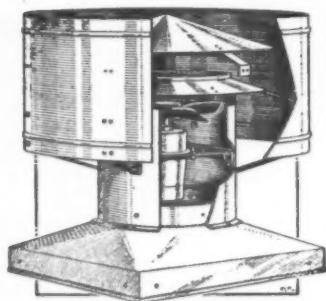
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AAI	Association of Art Institutions. Secy.: W. Marlborough Whitehead, "Dyneley," Castle Hill, Avenue, Berkhamstead, Herts.	
ABS	Architects' Benevolent Society. 66, Portland Place, W.1.	Welbeck 5721
ABT	Association of Building Technicians. 5, Ashley Place, S.W.1.	Victoria 0447-8
ACGB	Arts Council of Great Britain. 4, St. James' Square, S.W.1.	Whitehall 9737
ADA	Aluminium Development Association. 33, Grosvenor Street, W.1.	Mayfair 7501/8
APRR	Association for Planning and Regional Reconstruction. 34, Gordon Square, W.C.1.	Euston 2158-9
ArchSA	Architectural Students' Association. School of Architecture, Manchester Municipal School of Art, All Saints, Manchester, 15.	Ardwick 3480
ARCUK	Architects' Registration Council. 68, Portland Place, W.1.	Welbeck 9738
ASB	Architectural Science Board of the Royal Institute of British Architects. 66, Portland Place, W.1.	Welbeck 5721
AScW	Association of Scientific Workers. 15, Half Moon Street, Piccadilly, W.1.	Grosvenor 4761
BAE	Board of Architectural Education. 66, Portland Place, W.1.	Welbeck 5721
BATC	Building Apprenticeship and Training Council. Lambeth Bridge House, S.E.1.	Reliance 7611, Ext. 1706
BC	Building Centre. 9, Conduit Street, W.1.	Mayfair 8641/6
BCC	British Colour Council. 13, Portman Square, W.1.	Welbeck 4185
BCCF	British Cast Concrete Federation. 17, Amherst Road, Ealing, W.13.	Perivale 6869
BCIRA	British Cast Iron Research Association. Alvechurch, Birmingham.	Redditch 716
BDA	British Door Association. 43, George Street, Croydon.	Croydon 5452
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BGC	British Gas Council. 1, Grosvenor Place, S.W.1.	Sloane 4554
BGF	British Gas Federation. 1, Grosvenor Place, S.W.1.	Sloane 8266
BIA	British Ironfounders' Association. 145, Vincent Street, Glasgow, C.2.	Glasgow Central 2891
BIAE	British Institute of Adult Education. 29, Tavistock Square, W.C.1.	Euston 5385
BID	Building Industries Distributors. 52, High Holborn, W.C.1.	Chancery 7772
BINC	Building Industries National Council. 11, Weymouth Street, W.1.	Langham 2785
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BRS	Building Research Station. Bucknalls Lane, Watford	Garston 2246
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BSI	British Standards Institution. 28, Victoria Street, S.W.1.	Abbey 3333
BTE	Building Trades Exhibition. 4, Vernon Place, W.C.1.	Holborn 8146/7
CABAS	City and Borough Architects Society. C/o Johnson Blackett, F.R.I.B.A., Borough Architect, Town Hall, Newport, Mon.	Newport 3111
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CCA	Cement and Concrete Association. 52, Grosvenor Gardens, S.W.1.	Sloane 5255
CDA	Copper Development Association. Kendals Hall, Radlett, Herts.	Radlett 5616
CIAD	Central Institute of Art and Design. 41, 42, Dover Street, W.1.	Regent 3074
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CID	Council of Industrial Design. Tilbury House, Petty France, S.W.1.	Whitehall 6322
CPC	Codes of Practice Committee. MOW, 42, Onslow Gardens, S.W.7.	Kensington 8161
CPRE	Council for the Preservation of Rural England. 4, Hobart Place, S.W. Sloane 4280	
CUJC	Coal Utilization Joint Council. 13, Grosvenor Gardens, London, S.W.1.	Victoria 1534
DGW	Directorate General of Works, Ministry of Works, Lambeth Bridge House, S.E.1.	Reliance 1761
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DOT	Department of Overseas Trade. 35, Old Queen Street, S.W.1.	Victoria 9040
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EPNS	English Place-Name Society. 7, Selwyn Gardens, Cambridge.	
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FB 1951	Festival of Britain 1951. 2, Savoy Court, Strand, W.C.2.	Waterloo 1951
FASSC	Federation of Association of Specialists and Sub Contractors. 21, Tothill Street, S.W.1.	Whitehall 9606
FBI	Federation of British Industries. 21, Tothill Street, S.W.1.	Whitehall 6711
FC	Forestry Commission. 25, Savile Row, W.1.	
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GG	Georgian Group. 27, Grosvenor Place, S.W.1.	Sloane 2844
HC	Housing Centre. 13, Suffolk Street, Pall Mall, S.W.1.	Whitehall 2881
IAAS	Incorporated Association of Architects and Surveyors. 75, Eaton Place, S.W.1.	Sloane 5617
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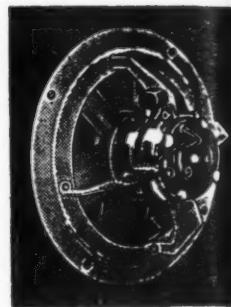
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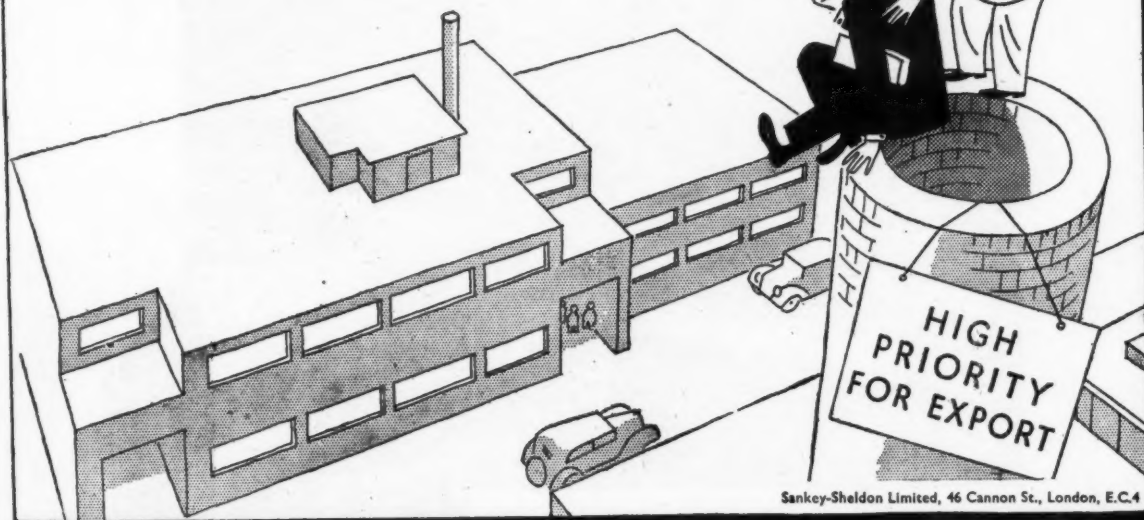
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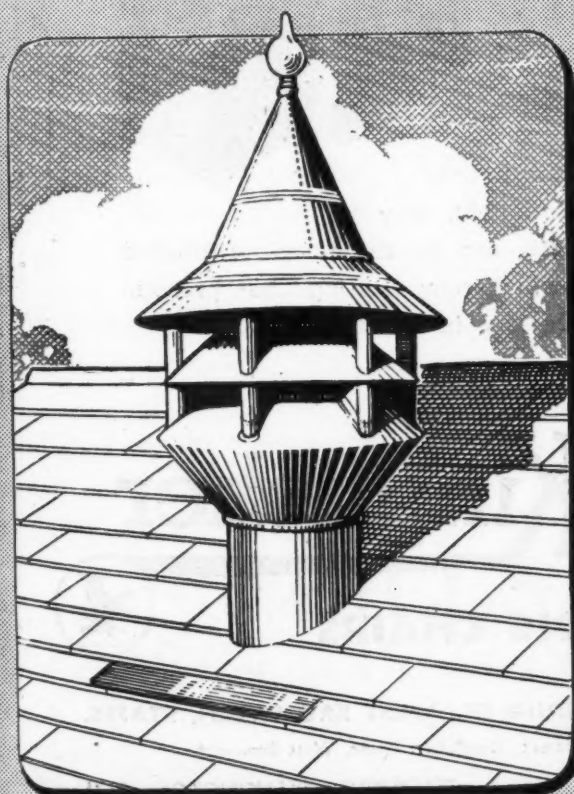
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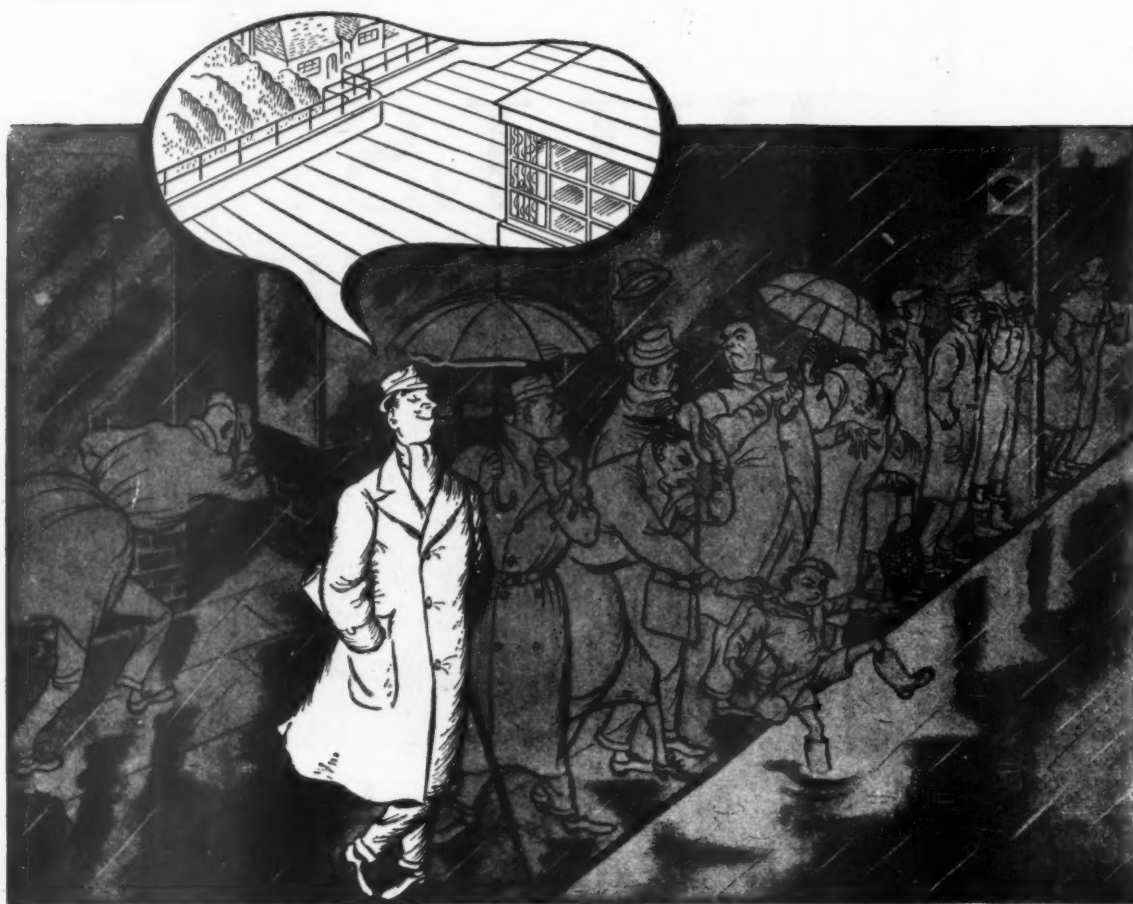
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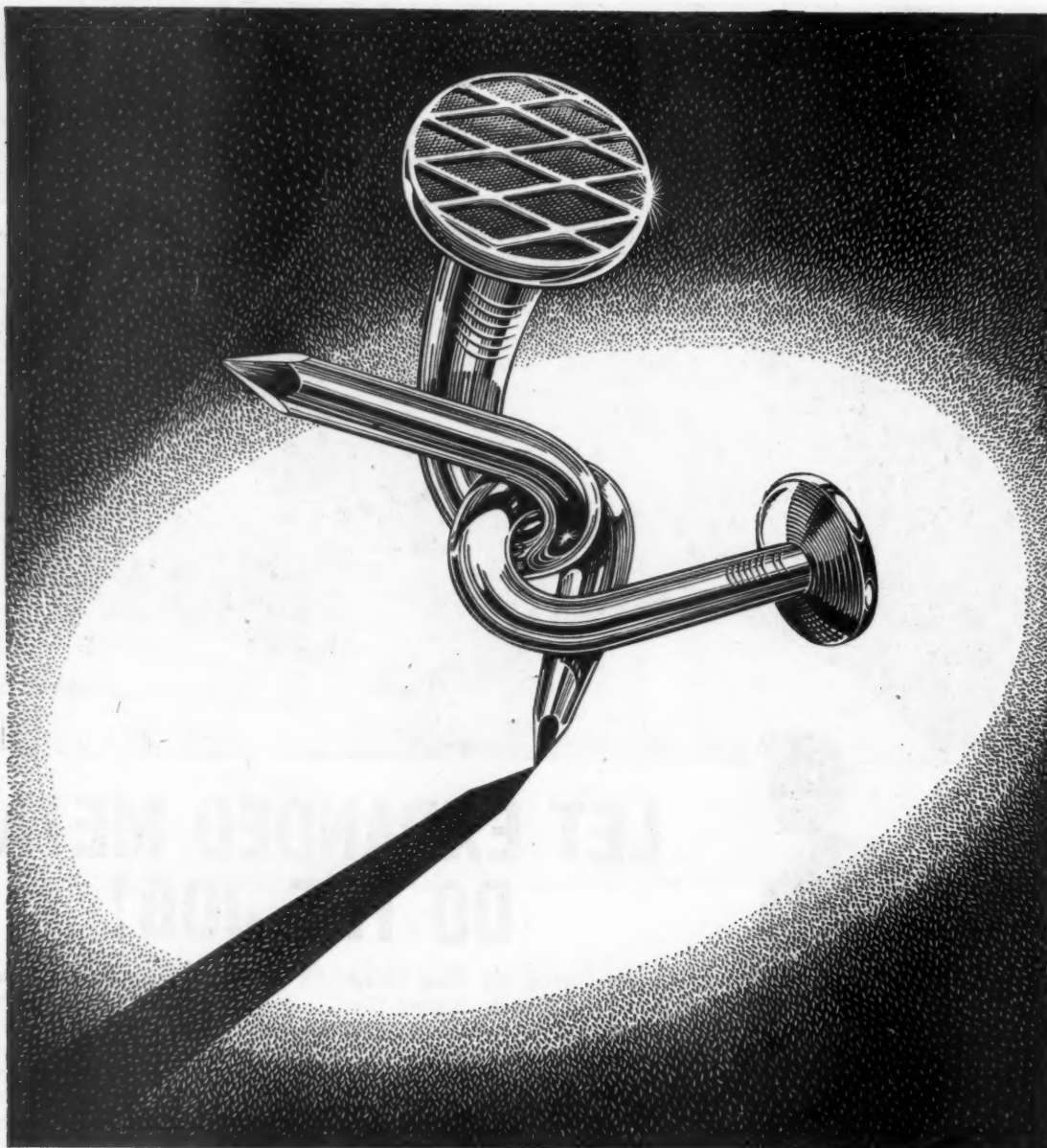
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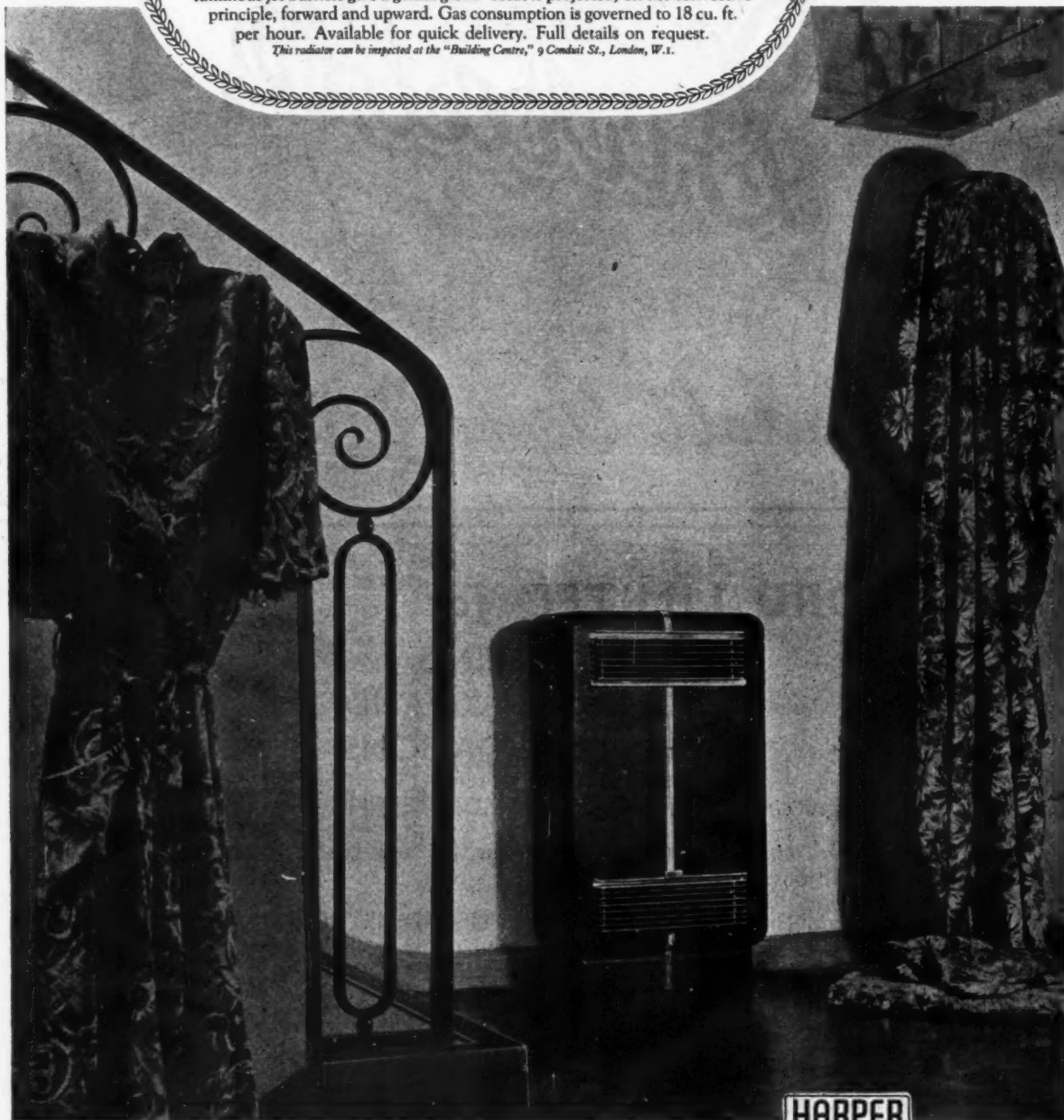


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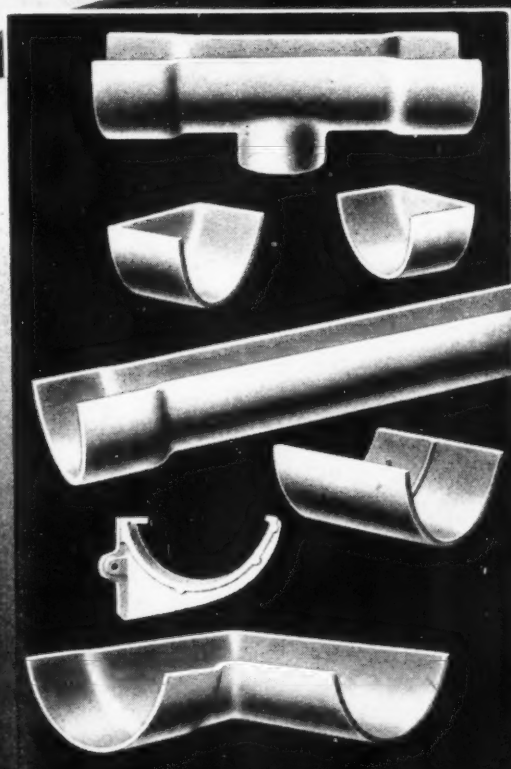
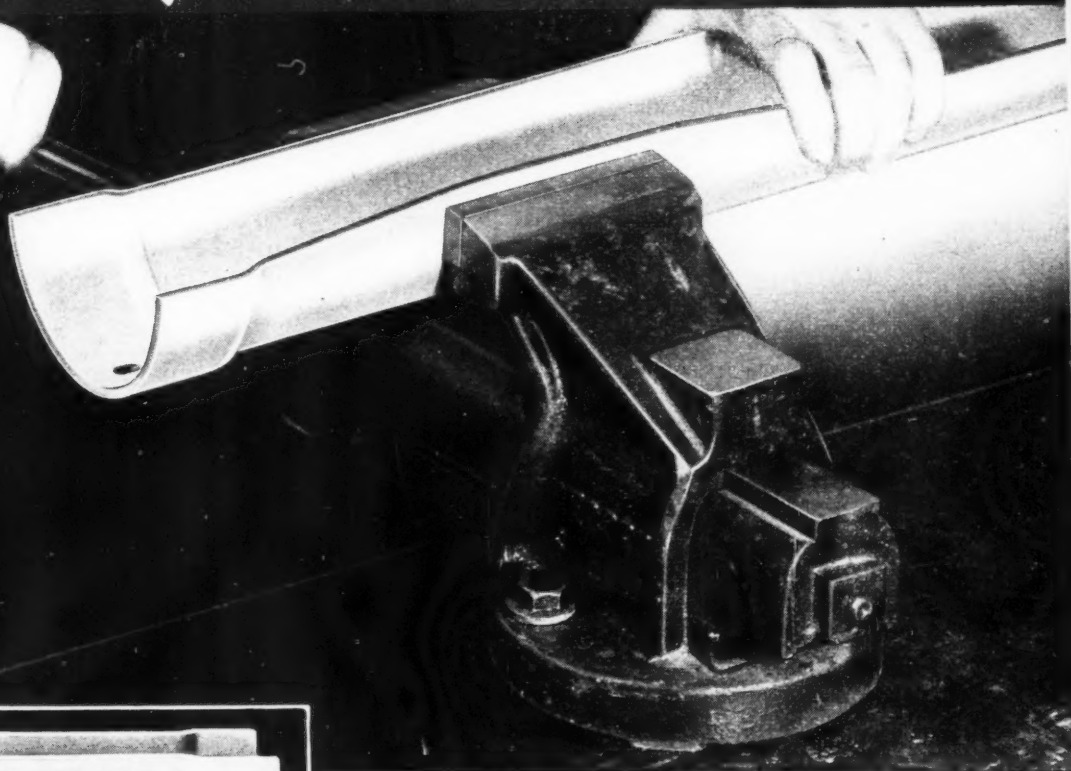
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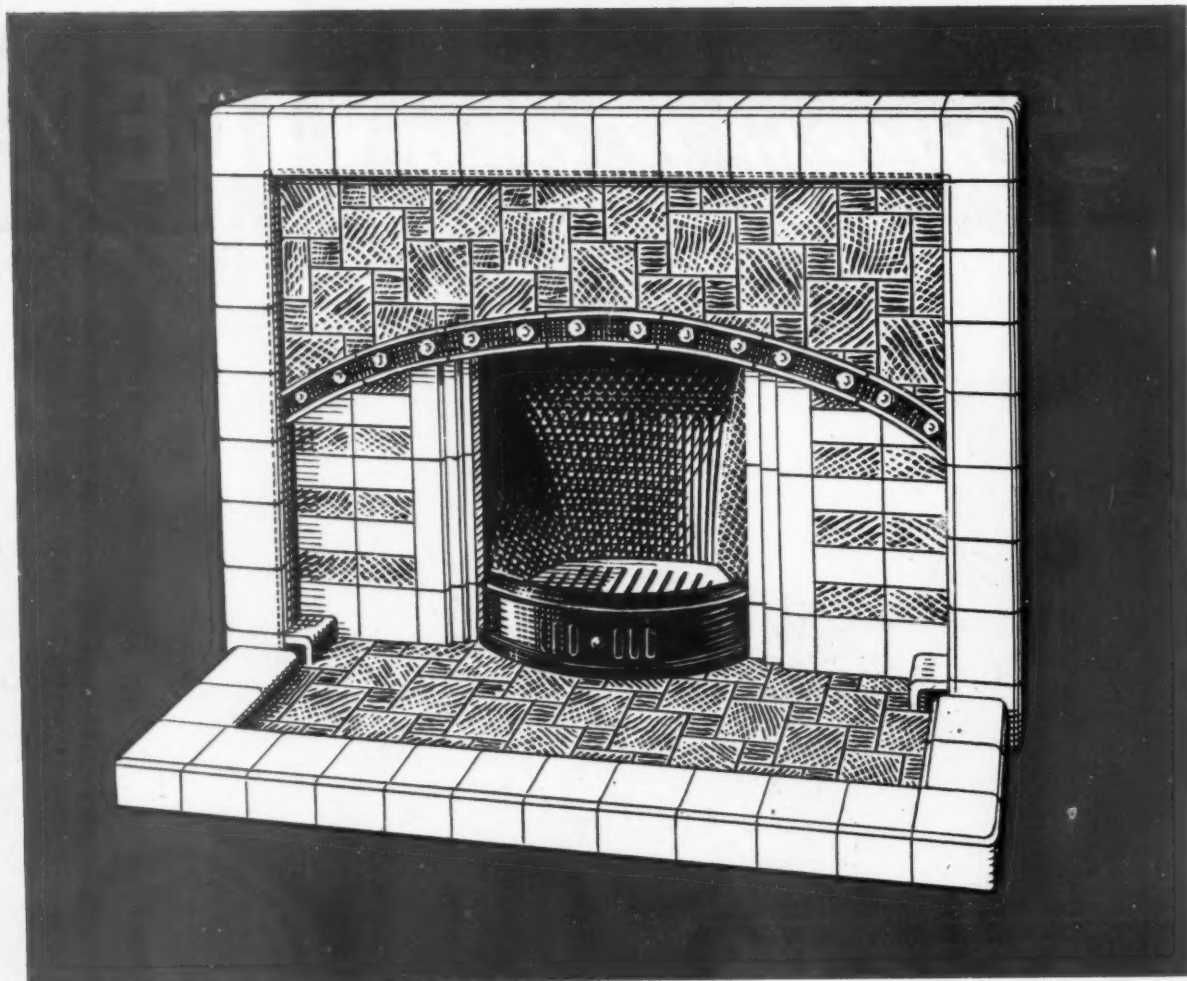


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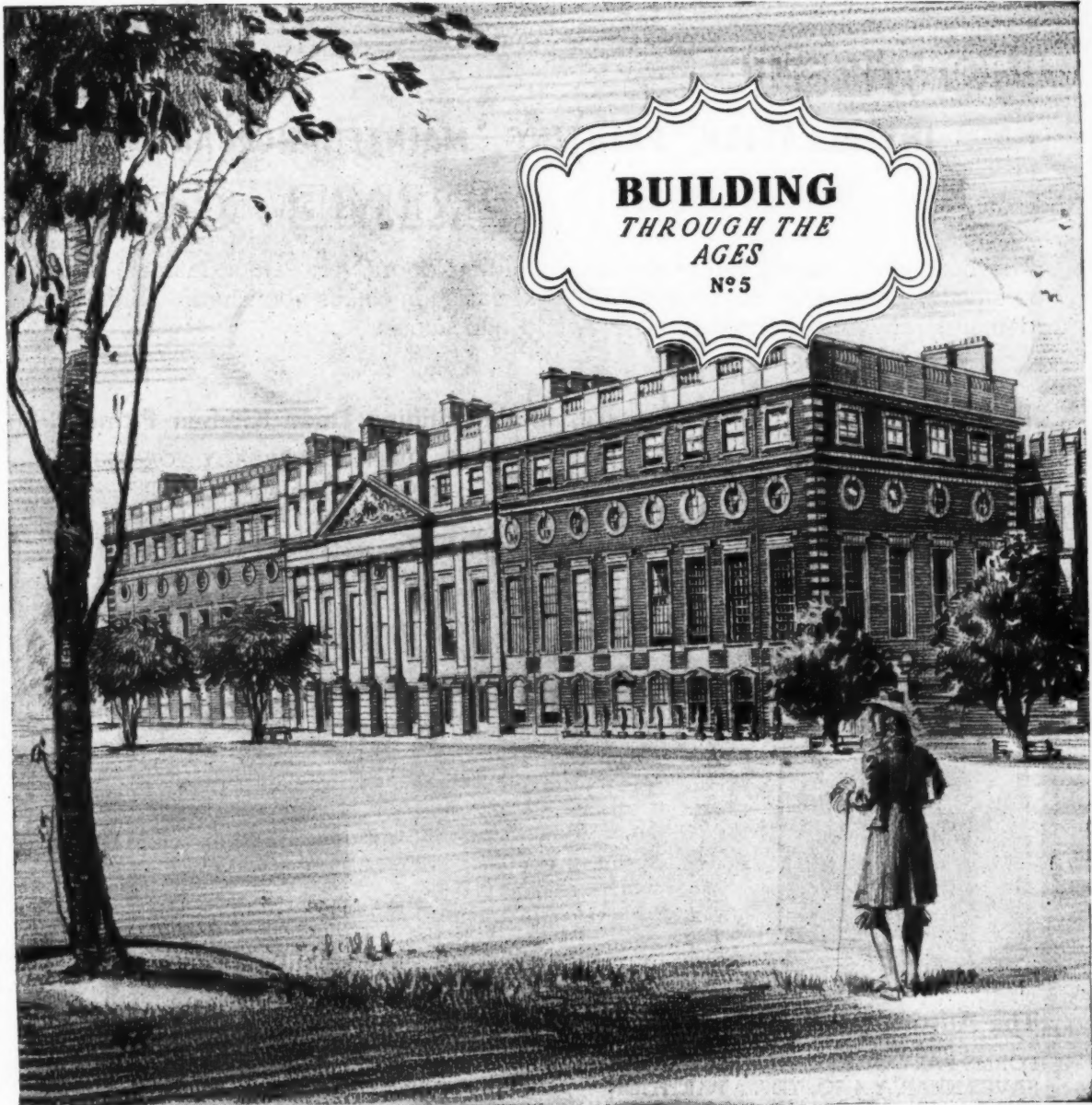


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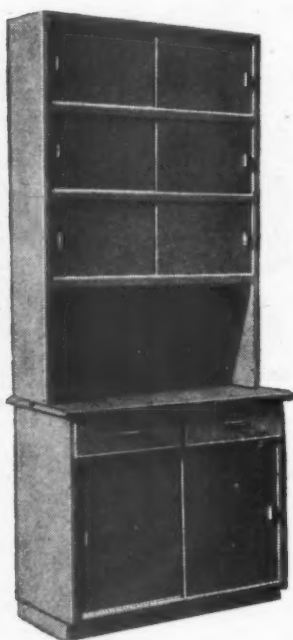
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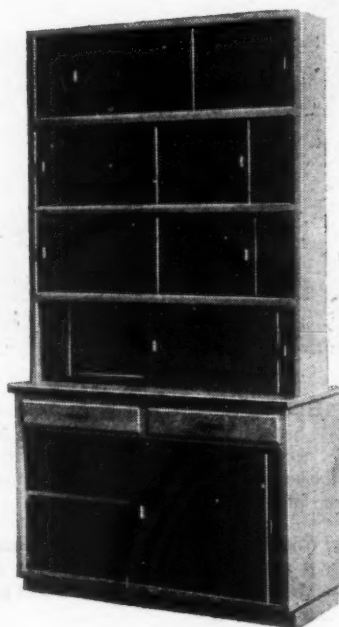
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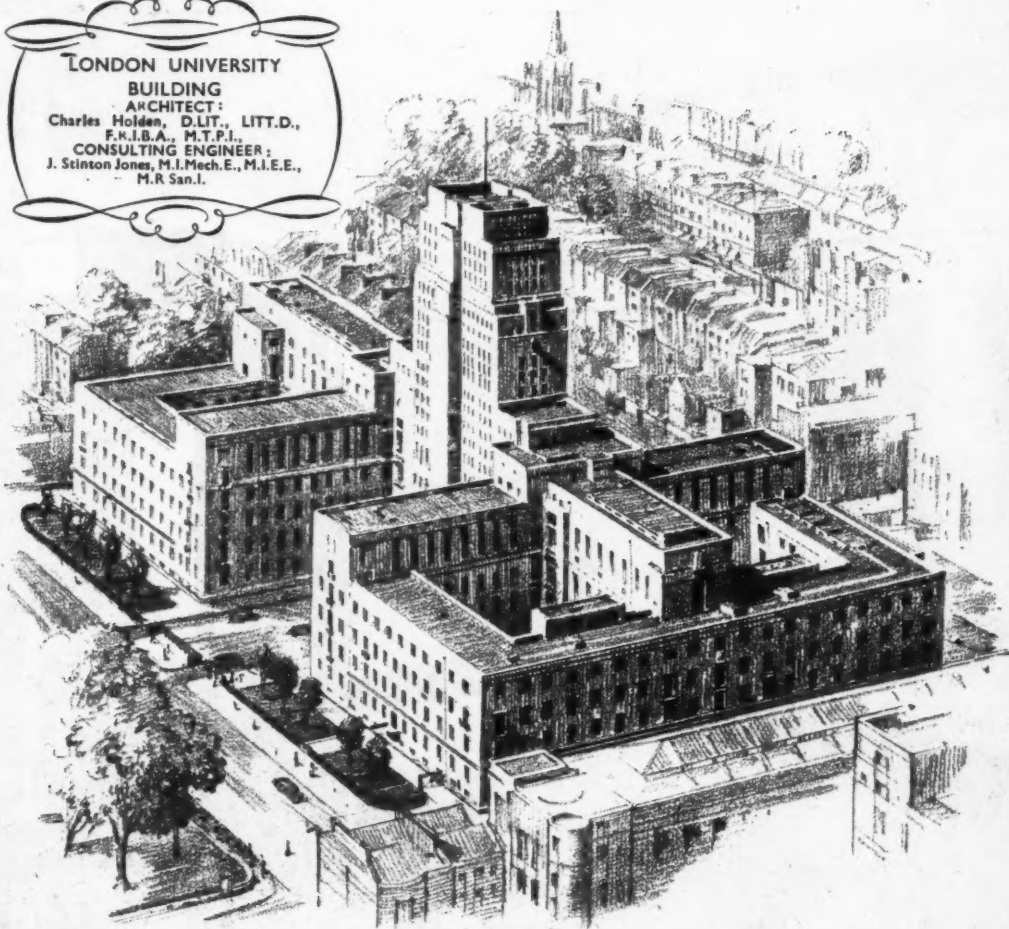
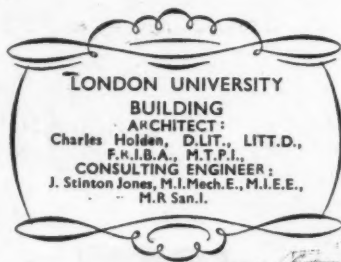
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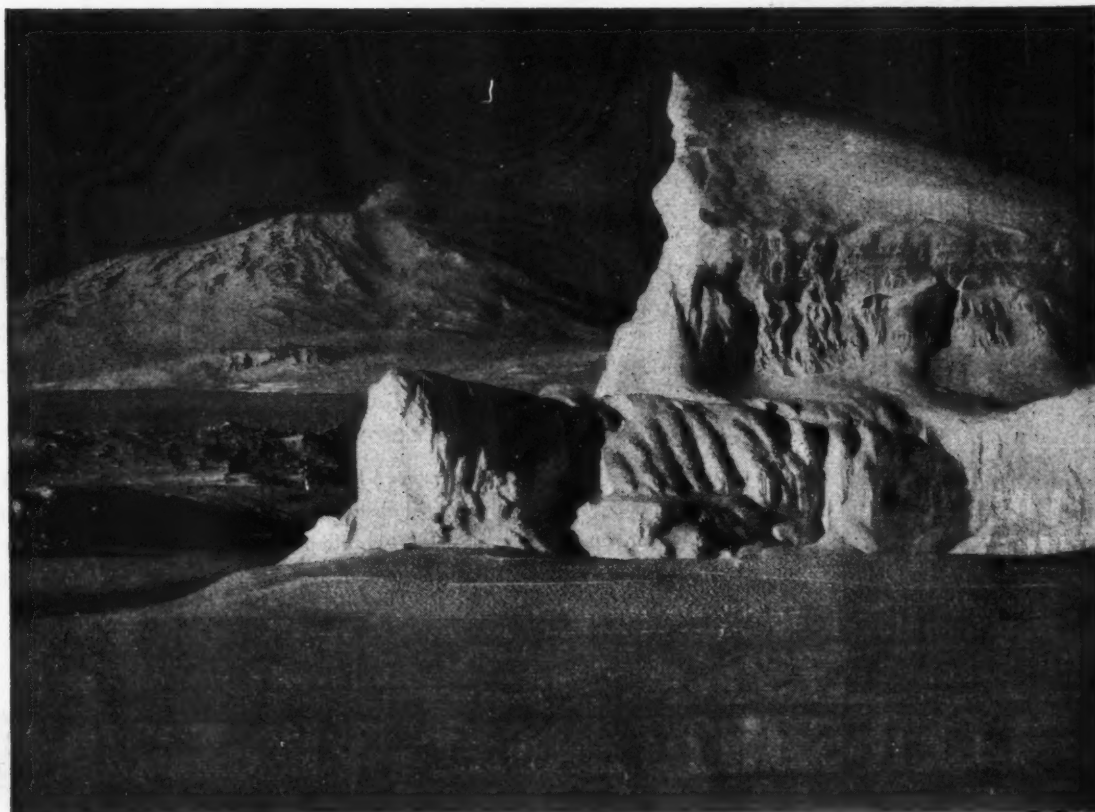
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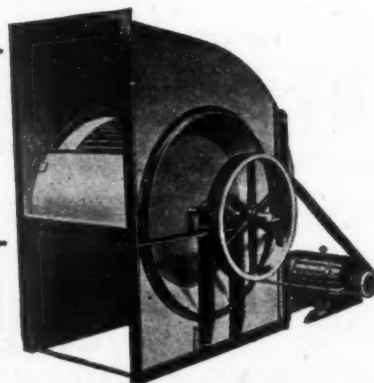
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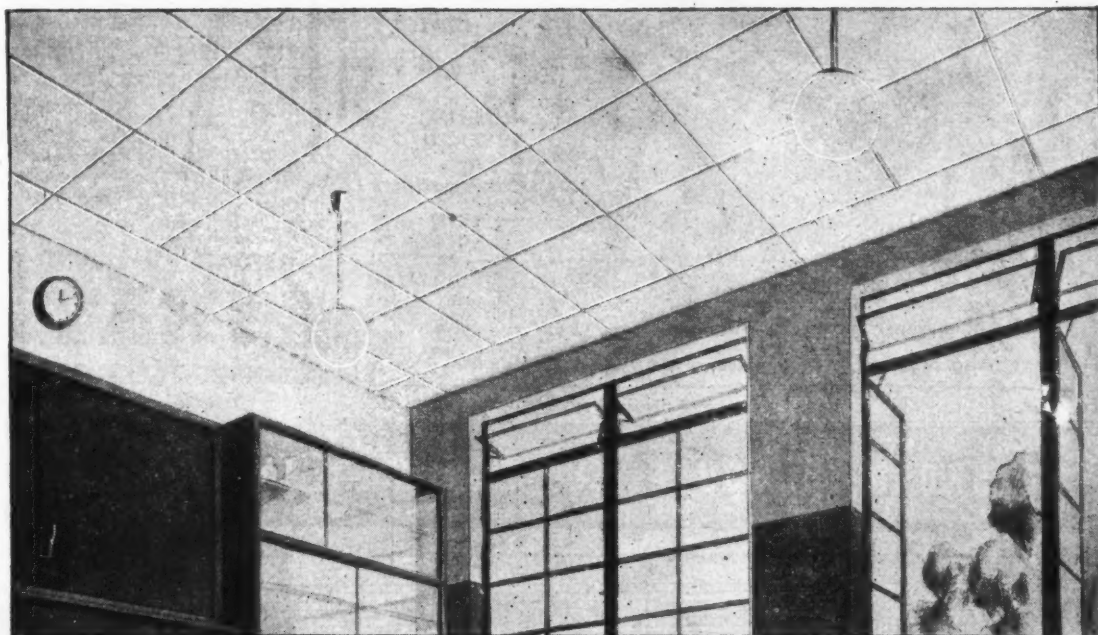




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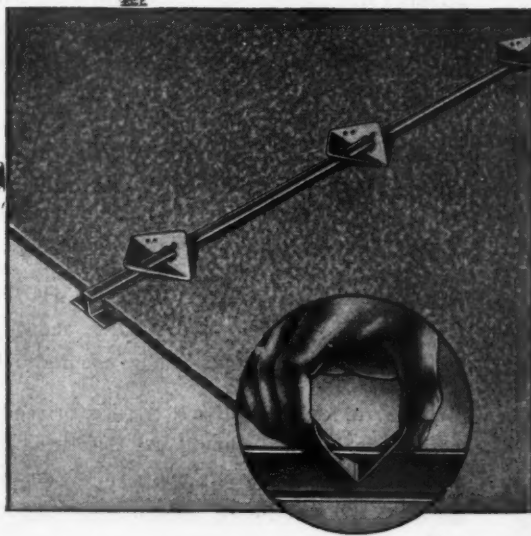
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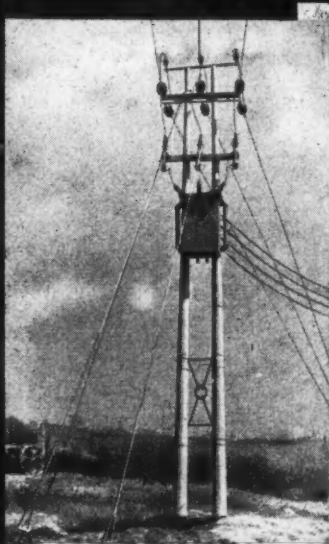
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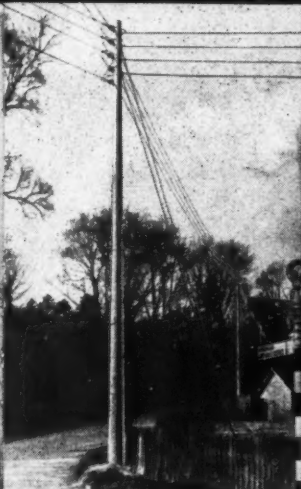


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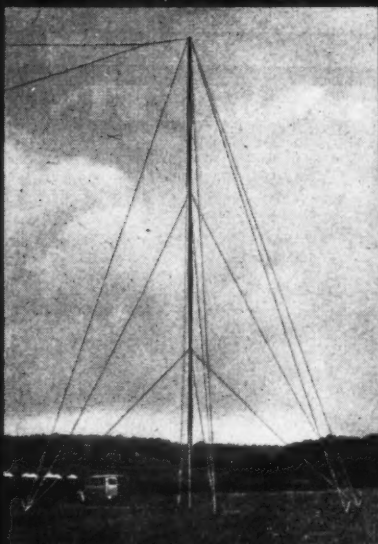
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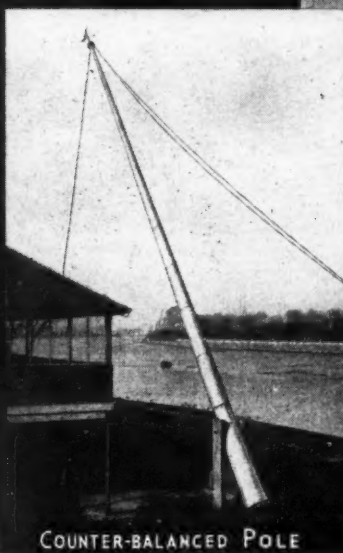
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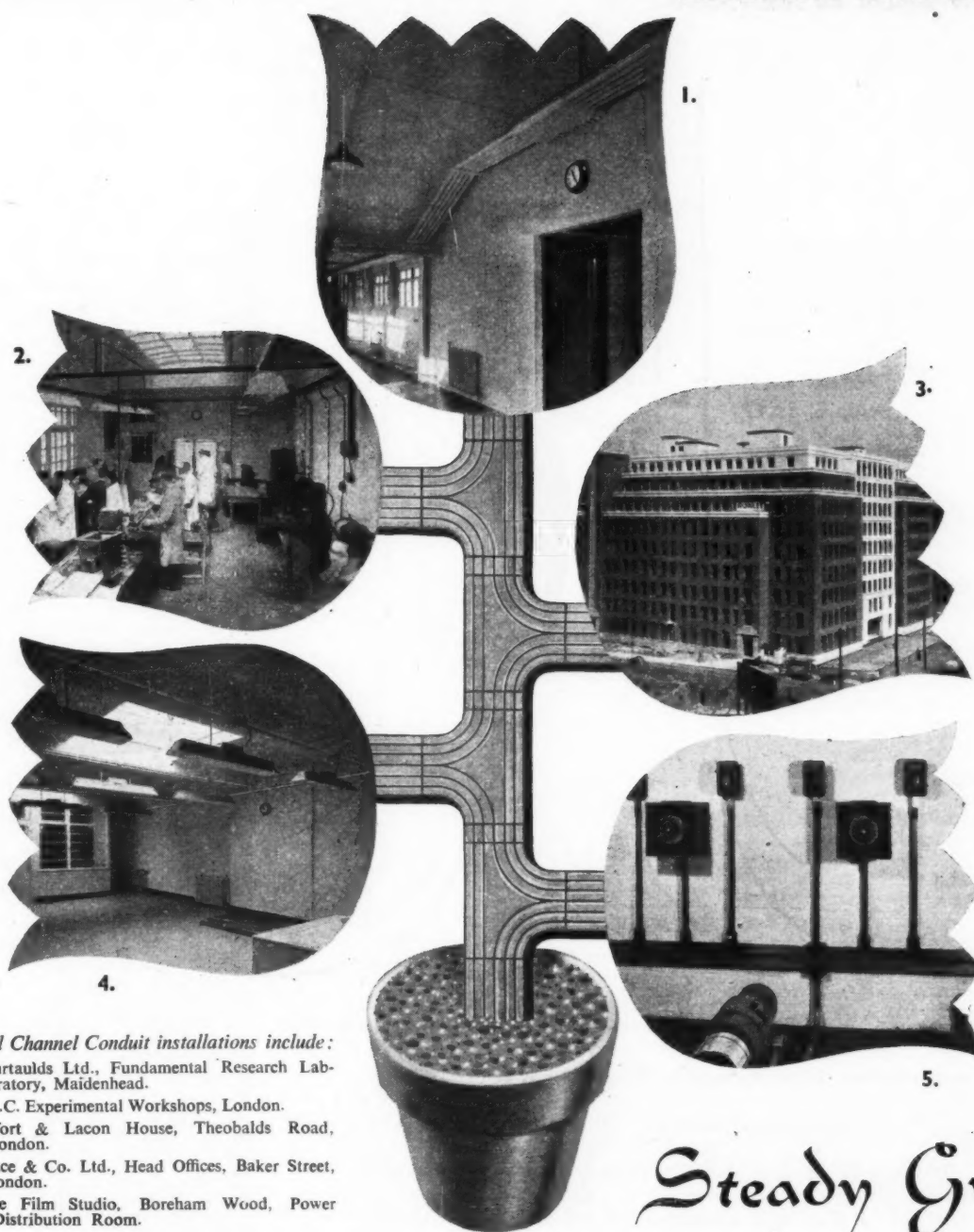
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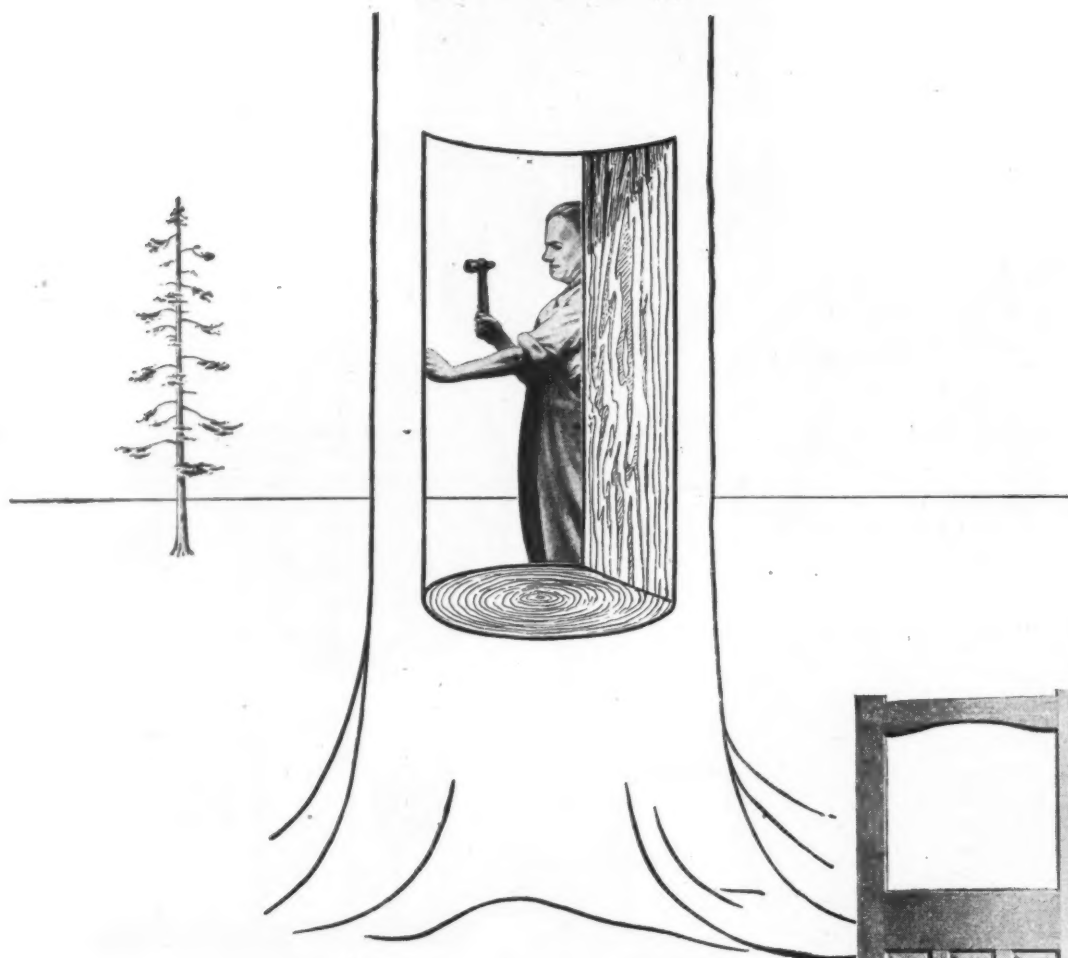
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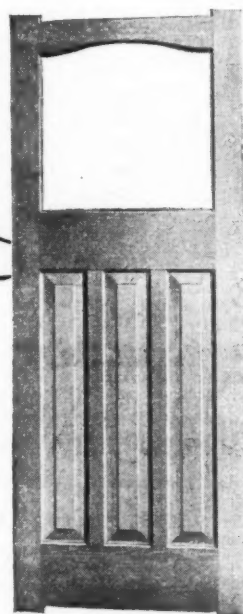
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LONDON. *The Appearance of Housing Estates Exhibition.* Housing Centre, 13, Suffolk Street, Haymarket, S.W.1. Weekdays, 9.30 a.m.-5.30 p.m. Saturdays, 9.30 a.m.-12 noon.
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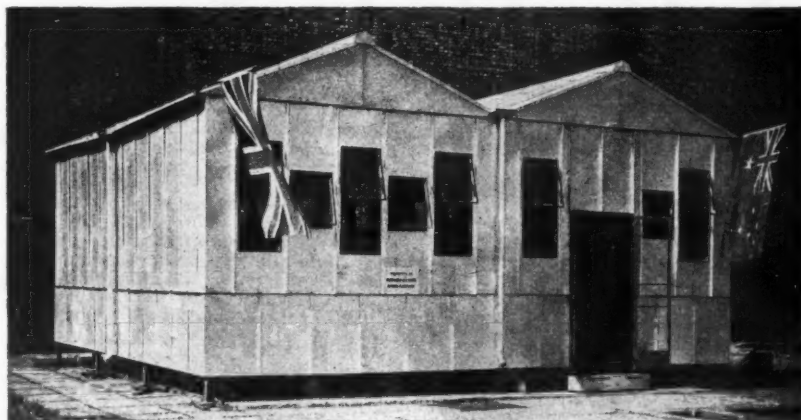
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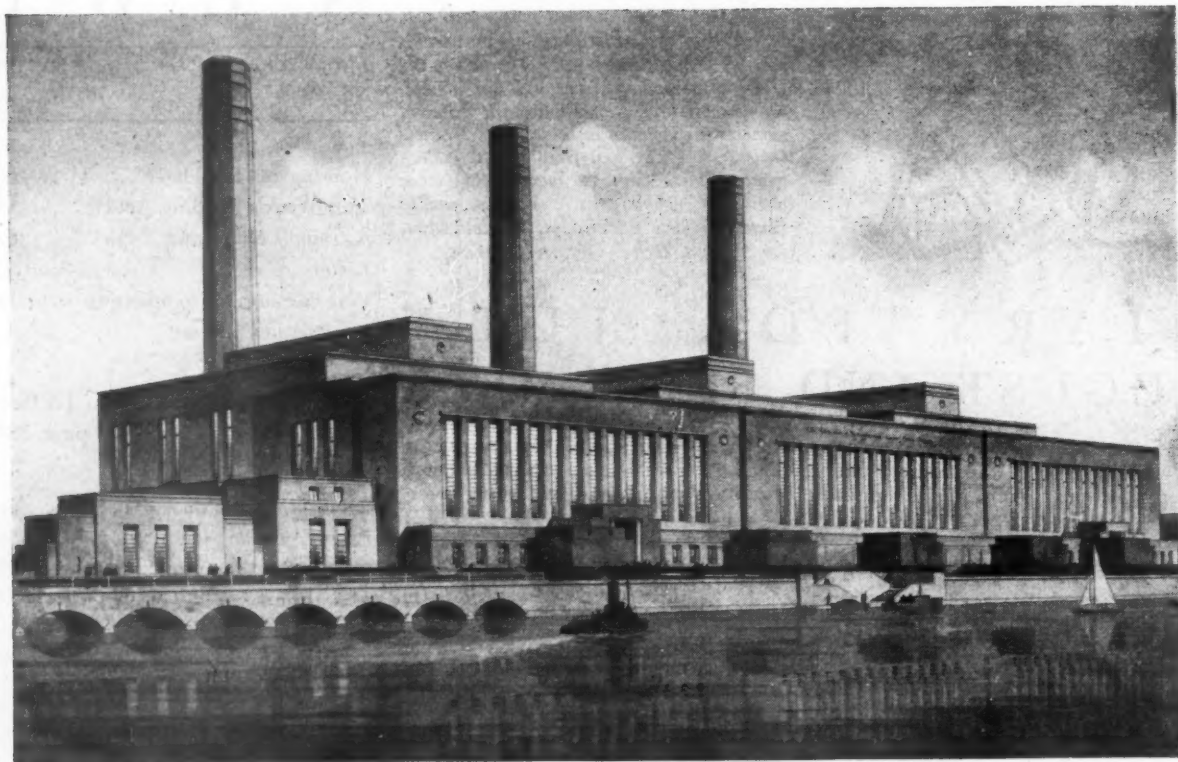
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ARCHITECTURE IN IRELAND. [From Dublin, by John Harvey (B.T. Batsford, Ltd.).] Dublin is still a city almost unknown to English people, and the loss is ours. Between the mountains and the sea, it is one of the most fortunate of European capitals, and it has the enormous advantage of consisting mainly of buildings produced at the peak of its historic culture. Even English lovers of Georgian architecture, fond of England's rather colourless austerity, are a little frightened of the exuberance of Dublin—the rich and coloured traces of a southern, catholic, baroque past, that England never knew. We English have to go right back to the Middle Ages to find a period when we were fully alive, vitalized with rude health and abounding in a sense of the brilliant poignancy of life . . . It is still too early to assess the architects of the most modern developments of the city. There is undoubtedly a school (if I may be allowed for once to use this much abused word) of truly modern designers able, without any concessions to past decorative forms or even to traditional materials, to carry forward the rhythm of the older tradition. Such a work is Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald's Collins-town Airport, and another is the pleasing modern house just below the Sandycove Martello Tower, whose massive curves are echoed in a fine terminal bay, semicircular in plan, of glazed metal window: here is what most people would call a modernist dwelling, yet its fine composition and careful siting make it an embellishment to the natural beauty of the tiny harbour and rugged point.

The NEED FOR BETTER CONCRETE was referred to in a recent address by Mr. J. Singleton-Green.

Mr. Singleton-Green, speaking at a meeting of the Reinforced Concrete Association, said that for many years there had been a demand for better concrete, but while the quality and dependability of cement and aggregates has been constantly improving, the steps necessary to ensure the production of better concrete had not been taken, except in relatively few instances. The reasons for this were perhaps chiefly commercial; they were thought to have a close relation to cost (although it could be demonstrated that an all-round improvement in concrete quality should ultimately result in a lowering of costs).

There was no doubt that professional and scientific men who were concerned with concrete work were anxious to see better concrete. The Cement Economy Committee of the MOW would presumably welcome anything which would show a saving in cement. Better concrete, resulting from correct handling and procedure in production and use, would reduce the amount of cement required, and economy would be effected.

Concrete was the only structural material which was made on the site. It was usually made by "unskilled" labour, under the immediate supervision of a man who had become foreman or ganger by virtue of his ability to handle men rather than as a result of his technical knowledge of concrete making. There were few craftsmen with the necessary knowledge and training to see that the concrete was made, placed and treated in the correct manner, and that all of it was so treated. It was a weakness in the building and engineering industries that this state of affairs should exist today when concrete had become such an important and widely used structural material. Plastering materials were mixed on the site, but craftsmen—that is skilled plasterers—were in charge of the work.

The making of good concrete called for more knowledge, and information on concrete technology needed to be given in some suitable manner to resident engineers, clerks of works, foremen and concretors. This was a real difficulty, and a suitable scheme could only be put into operation after the matter had been considered carefully by representatives of all the people concerned.

The Reinforced Concrete Association had given much consideration to this problem, and it was sponsoring classes in concrete technology. A few of these had been given

in London, Manchester and Leeds. At the moment these classes were for all grades, but, in general, the people who attended were technicians rather than workmen. The intention was that consulting engineers should ensure the strict carrying out of their specifications by the appointment of resident engineers and clerks of works who were well versed in the subject and had, in effect, become concrete technicians.

There was, however, a second approach to the problems—through the men who were immediately responsible for doing the work. They should be instructed and trained in the operations of concrete making, and should become concrete craftsmen. Both these systems could well be in operation at the same time.

There was a real demand, which appeared likely to become insistent, for men with expert knowledge of concrete technique, and it seemed clear that if good concrete was to be obtained there must be someone on the job who was continuously responsible for it. Labourers would continue to be employed as at present, but it seemed necessary to emphasize that they should have some immediate control to ensure that they were doing their job properly. Remote control, through general foremen, clerks of works and resident engineers, was not enough.

A concrete craftsman would have many labourers in his charge, and the proportion of such craftsmen on a job would not compare with the number of bricklayers on a bricklaying job. Ultimately the concrete craftsman might be someone even a little higher than the carpenter or bricklayer (but in his own sphere only). To introduce a recognized concrete craftsman in the industry might prove to be a difficult problem, and numerous authoritative bodies would have to be consulted. However, the matter was urgent, and it was felt that the situation called for consideration in detail at the earliest possible moment.

SWEDISH ARCHITECTS are now touring England.

A party of 44 Swedish city officials, planners and architects arrived in London on June 18 for a fortnight's study of housing and town planning in this country, arranged by the TCPA. The tour commenced with a two-days visit to the Ministries of Town and Country Planning and Health, and to LCC housing estates and County Hall. The tour included visits to Oxford, Bournville and Birmingham, Leamington Spa, Chester, Manchester, Nottingham, Cambridge, Stevenage and Welwyn Garden City, where housing and

town planning was studied with the co-operation of the Municipal Authorities concerned.

A PLAN FOR The DEVELOPMENT OF SOUTH WALES has been published by HMSO.

This South Wales Outline Plan (Stationery Office, 42s.) is the work of Mr. T. Alwyn Lloyd and Mr. Herbert Jackson. The authors' researches extended over 15 months and the report is based on conditions and requirements which were current at the time of preparation. It is presented as "the physical framework for work, homes and play for this development area."

The INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS held its first meeting on June 18.

The Federation was organized by representatives of fifteen nations after the International Conference on Landscape Architecture held in London last year. The recent council meeting was held in Paris, and representatives, including Mr. G. A. Jellicoe (president) were welcomed by M. Duprat (president of the Société Française des Architectes de Jardins). Membership of the Federation is now open to the recognized societies of Landscape Architecture in all countries. The office of the Federation is for the present in London at 12, Gower Street, W.C.1, and the secretary is Mrs. Douglas Browne.

EDUCATION AUTHORITIES will have started nearly £50m. of BUILDING WORK by the end of this year.

This was announced by Mr. George Tomlinson, Minister of Education, when he spoke at the annual meeting of the Association of Education Committees at Bournemouth on May 17. He said that at the end of 1947 education authorities had £12 million worth of building in construction, and at the end of last year the figure was £27 million. Even today, he said, when about £36 million worth of work was actually under construction on the site, this was only the beginning of a vast building programme which would take many years to complete.



Housing at Trinidad

Considerable attention is now being directed towards the social progress that is being made in Colonial territories. The above picture of a working-class housing scheme in Port of Spain, Trinidad, West Indies, is an example of work

being carried out under a ten-year development plan. This particular plan is made possible by Britain's gift of £15,500,000 to the Caribbean Colonies to cover the decade ending 1956.

★ ★ The INCENTIVES SCHEME in the Building Industry WILL BE REVIEWED THIS YEAR.

The following is an extract from a statement issued by the NFBTE in connection with an explanatory memorandum on the subject which they have issued to their members:—

The national settlement between employers and operatives under which, for the first time, it was agreed that building employers might introduce schemes of incentive payments on their jobs, was introduced in October, 1947. It was left to each employer to decide what type of scheme, if any, he would introduce, but it was laid down that before a scheme started the work targets and bonus payments to be adopted had to be fixed in advance and then agreed with the operatives concerned. Also the target bonus rates had to be so fixed as to allow "an operative of average ability and capacity a reasonable opportunity to achieve on such (bonused) work earnings 20 per cent. higher than those yielded by the normal prescribed rate." The settlement was for a period of two years. It will thus come up for review towards the end of this year.

The policy of the NFBTE has been, and continues to be, one of encouraging its members to operate bonusing schemes. To assist them in tackling the problems which arise, the Incentives Committee of the Federation has now issued its first explanatory memorandum with, as examples, complete details of several incentive schemes reported by builders as having been successfully worked by them. To quote from its introductory note: "The memorandum is not intended to do more than provide some ideas as to how incentives payments can be operated." The memorandum is not issued as an instruction to building employers, but for their guidance and to stimulate discussion between them, so that builders of all types and sizes in all parts of the country may benefit from the experience of their colleagues, and may from now on more easily both understand and introduce incentive schemes.

After reviewing and outlining the types of bonus schemes in operation—Stage Bonusing and Unit Rate Schemes being the most widely used—the memorandum goes on to suggest what the constituents of satisfactory schemes should be; they must be fair and equitable; they must be simple to understand; they must have targets possible of

attainment by the average operative, and they must also provide for regular bonus payments at as short intervals as possible.

In Stage Bonusing schemes the "target" is defined as "the period of time allowed for completing the particular bonusing unit or task set," the bonus being paid on the basis of the time saved. Alternatively, the target can be expressed in terms of money, in which case the bonus is paid—providing a saving is made, of course—on the basis of the difference between the actual labour cost and the "target" cost. The memorandum explains how this is worked and gives complete details, including the appropriate record sheets, of such a scheme in operation.

In Unit Rate schemes the "target" is defined as the amount of work (or minimum requirement) which has to be exceeded within a given time before any bonus is made. This type of scheme is suitable where the bonusing unit cannot be predetermined. An example of the working of such a scheme is given.

The memorandum concludes by referring to the possibility of extending incentive schemes to maintenance and repair; the committee sees no reason why some of this work should not be capable of being bonused provided that it can be measured.

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★★ The RIBA COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS have been announced.

Mr. Michael Waterhouse was re-elected president, Mr. H. S. Goodhart-Rendel and Sir Lancelot Keay were re-elected past presidents, and the new members of council elected are as follows:—

Mr. J. Murray Easton, Professor W. G. Holford, Mr. Arthur W. Kenyon, Mr. R. E. Enthoven, Mr. P. G. Fairhurst, Mr. Richard H. Sheppard. The new associate members of the Council are Mr. Ralph Tubbs, Professor Joseph S. Allen, and Professor R. Gordon Brown. Mr. F. C. Wakeford was elected a licentiate member.

Kent County Council is to form a PANEL OF ARCHITECTS.

Members of this panel will advise the sub-committees of the planning committee in exercising their powers of controlling the appearance of buildings under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947. They will be paid travelling expenses and a small fee based on the time spent at each meeting. Kent County Council was the first authority to decide that practising architects who are prepared to devote their time to the work should receive some payment in recognition of the useful service which they will discharge. The panel will operate, as an experiment, for one year, and is to consist of twelve architects who are practising in various parts of Kent. Their names have been selected by the president of the RIBA in consultation with the South Eastern Society of Architects.

Architects who have been nominated for this purpose and who have agreed to serve on the panel are:—Mr. H. Anderson, Mr. H. J. Benions, Mr. Cecil Burns, Mr. C. J. Cable, Mr. C. I. Clay, Mr. J. L. Seaton Dahl, Mr. Gregory Grant, Mr. H. V. Godfrey, Mr. A. F. Hooper, Mr. C. J. F. Martindale, Mr. F. Arnold Perren, Mr. H. G. C. Spenceley.

It is proposed to refer to this panel only such designs for buildings which, in the opinion of the members concerned, are open to objection and which are of special interest or importance and involve questions of architectural design.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Mr. Brian Hackett, a lecturer in the Department of Town and Country Planning, University of Durham, has been granted a Fulbright Award by the United States Government. He will spend the summer months in that country for the purpose of studying certain aspects of landscape and the planning of rural areas. He will be attached to Cornell University and will also study the teaching methods in schools of landscape and planning.

The Architects department of the Lancashire CC is employing a staff of 226 against the authorized figure of 252. The deficiency is mainly in experienced qualified technical staff. The County Architect's annual report states that the difficulty in recruiting staff is, in some measure, due to the shortage of supply, but to a great extent on account of higher salaries offered by Government sponsored bodies.

Sir George Pepler has been elected president of the TPI for the year 1949-50 and will take office in November next on the expiration of the term of office of Mr. James W. R. Adams. Sir George was also president in 1919-20.

THE BEST LAID PLANS

THE publication of the Reports of the Aycliffe, Crawley, Harlow, Hemel Hempstead and Stevenage Development Corporations was a useful reminder that such projects as the five new towns were in existence. The Reports cover a period (the first year to March 31, 1948) too long past to be of any immediate interest. During the year that has ensued much more, no doubt, has been accomplished, though it is already evident that the fair winds with which the schemes were originally launched have disappeared; indeed most people are left with the impression that they have drifted into a sort of Sargasso sea where they lie, to all appearances, becalmed.

It will be remembered that the idea that their fields and gardens were to form part of a new town to accommodate, in fine and healthy surroundings, a part of London's monstrously swollen population was received by the inhabitants of some of the "designated areas" with horror and even with open enmity. The reactions of those who were ultimately to live in these new surroundings were not ascertainable. However, with the publication of the Master Plans and their Reports, exhibited with models, considerable enthusiasm was discernible and many of the worst fears of the original inhabitants of the areas were allayed. Certainly there was a feeling among architects and planners that at last it would be possible to demonstrate that an urban environment, providing agreeable living conditions and good architecture, was not impossible. As Lord Beveridge stated in the preface to the Aycliffe Master Plan, "All the New Town Corporations are setting out with high aims—to do something new and better than has been done in the past. Between them they should be able to make a variety of interesting and important experiments."

The competition for the privilege of working as architects for the new Corporations was keen and a number of able, enthusiastic young architects started work. Alas for their hopes. So far it is possible to point only to a few not very exciting houses, struggling to be built. It is true that to construct a town for 60,000 people is no light undertaking, and much time is needed for surveys, analyses, studies, research and all the other preliminaries to architecture that are now so necessary and so fashionable. But the disappointing progress has been largely due to Government policy. No priority has been given to the new towns. Instead, the congested centres of the old cities, which the new towns were intended to relieve, are being built up to a far greater density than the planners recommended.

There is a danger, also, that the original impetus may become, and indeed is already showing signs of becoming, exhausted. One result will probably be the loss to the service of the Corporations of many of their ablest and most enthusiastic employees. The remedy is not to increase the efficiency of the administrative machine—nothing but machines are produced

by machines. The road to the revival of enthusiasm lies, first, in the Government promoting large-scale action and, secondly, in the encouragement of experiment and originality. There will be mistakes, but such mistakes are the mark of growth. Without them the whole venture will become sterile.



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PAY FOR PANELS

When panels to advise on the appearance of buildings were first proposed we all hoped they would help to put an end to spec-built horrors, but they turned out to be rather a two-edged sword and seemed mostly to prevent our brighter types from doing a mildly contemporary job. But at least a large number of architects gave up a lot of time to a somewhat thankless duty, and I'm delighted to see that the County of Kent has decided that panel members shall at least be paid their travelling expenses and a small fee on a time basis. Excellent. Though Kent was, I believe, the first, Devonshire has already decided to do the same thing and other authorities seem likely to follow suit.

BIRMINGHAM SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

Hearing from a colleague of the good work being done by Birmingham architectural students under the vigorous tuition of the Principal, Aldwyn Douglas-Jones, I managed to slip for half an hour into the exhibition of their work at the Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery.

There, half screened from the gaze of intense and hairy Pre-Raphaelite por-

traits, is a selection of students' work which is remarkably good for a school only one quarter the size of the AA. The way that the study of the history of architecture and of construction is integrated is to be commended. I am still waiting, however, for signs of a break away from Brazilian and Swedish influences amongst students' work.

Congratulations, by the way, to the Birmingham Corporation on keeping their Victorian cast-iron lavatories and bus shelters so brightly-painted. Even these humble objects should inspire the students by the vigour of their decoration.

COLOUR ON THE GROUND

Red roads for fast traffic, yellow for slow, and blue for parking space. Does that alarm the reader? The possibility of having asphalt roads in all the colours of the rainbow is not far off, or so I am told by the DSIR. Ignoring, for once, the dangers of such an invention in inexperienced hands, I do welcome the opportunity this may give to architects to pay attention to the most neglected aspect, aesthetically, of every town: the ground on which we walk.

Recent articles by Gordon Cullen in *The Architectural Review* have emphasized the lack of texture and pattern in modern street surfaces. Here, at last, are fresh possibilities, and well worthy of the architect's consideration.

PREMIER AT THE AA

The Premier has created a precedent by agreeing to present prizes to students of the AA School of Architecture at their annual exhibition of work on July 15, and a marquee is to be erected in the Square for the occasion. I believe Winston Churchill visited the School in 1924 and Lord Asquith opened a war memorial there in 1920, but neither of these gentlemen had reached the prime of their ministerial professions. There is no doubt that even the student who cannot remember

what Mr. Gladstone said, or when he said it, will have cause to remember what Mr. Attlee said in 1949.

HOUSING DEMANDED FOR PEST POLICE

Do bats eat cats? No, but they have a Calorific Intake on pests and therefore should receive the help of architects. That is what a Mr. Hugh Seaton tells me in a letter in which he recommends me to read "British Bats" by Brian Vesey-Fitzgerald (Methuen, 6s.). "In America," he writes, "bats have cleared orchards of pests which sprays would not control. In England they are completely neglected and despised. Modern life and building greatly threatens their already reduced numbers."

"Architects of all people," he continues, "are most responsible for the reproduction and existence of bats, for it is upon the construction of roofs and buildings as warm roosts in winter and safe breeding places in summer that bats depend; their numbers depend on such shelter." I have managed to get hold of a copy of Mr. Vesey-Fitzgerald's book and it certainly is interesting. I learnt that there are as many as 12 species of bat in Britain, all to be recognized by their method of flight; some glide, some nose-dive, some hover. They eat our worst pests from greenfly and codlin moth to cockchafer, but their reproduction rate is low since lady bats produce only one baby each per annum. It is well known that during the war British bats worked in close co-operation with our bourgeois scientists in the invention of radar. But we now see that even bats, like the middle classes, have their uses and deserve some encouragement.

HOUSING REFERENCE BOOK

Every housing authority in the country is now planning housing estates, mostly quite large ones. Hundreds of local authority architects and surveyors are looking for examples to study and for guidance on the great changes in legislation and design that have taken place in the last decade. Mr. Stanley Gale's new book* gives all these—especially the examples. There are about 200 illustrations, including all the classic layouts, garden cities, suburbs and whatnot.

**Modern Housing Estates*, by Stanley Gale. Batsford, 1949. Price 35s.



One of the theatre models designed by AA students which are being displayed at the Building Centre until July 9. This model was designed by Bryan Thomas.

The book is a strange mixture of good and bad, but it has personality. One feels that one knows all that happened in its writing and one could almost write a potted biography of the author. He has come quite near to pulling off a classic text-book, but the vastness of his material and (one must say it) his apparent lack of understanding of present-day aims in planning residential areas has been too much for him. He has been unable to bring his material under control and the reader has to find his own path among the *débris*.

On survey and road construction one is quite certain that Mr. Gale knows exactly what he is talking about. The same applies to housing legislation pre-war, but here he fails to give the reader a clear picture of the progress of events: Chapter 4 implies that the T & CP Act, 1932, is still in force and one has to read pp. 97-102 very carefully to tell whether one is reading what was once advocated in some report or what Mr. Gale now recommends.

Except for the illustrations and some quotations from Government publications, the book has nothing to contribute on layout. The author's own ideal plan—which he rashly says is “on present-day ideals”—contains almost every fault which an estate layout could contain and could certainly be vetoed by MOTCP and, one trusts, by MOH, in any part of the country. This is the real worry about this book.

It is so useful that it is bound to be much used, and hundreds of man-hours may then be spent in drawing out variations of that ideal plan—and in turning it down.

GENIUS WANTED

I wonder if any readers would care to offer entertainment to young foreign architects during August? I have heard from the organizing secretary of the post-graduate Summer School (director, Maxwell Fry) which the MARS Group is holding on behalf of CIAM, that a number of the students from abroad are coming from countries where currency restrictions prevent their bringing much money with them. The Group is trying to help them out, and would be glad to know of anyone who can provide a bed for all or part of the time (four weeks from August 8), or invite one or two students away for week-ends or even for an occasional meal.

The enthusiasm which this, the first international post-graduate school of its kind, is arousing abroad comes out well in a letter the secretary showed me from one of three prospective Dutch students: “Our financial status needs us to seek some adequate means of living and travelling. Thus we plan to cross the water by the Calais-Dover ferry, to travel to and from this ferry by “lifting” and to live in London in a very modest way, and we would be very glad and grateful to any good genius that could help us to find such a modest way of living in that great

town of London.” Good geniuses please write to the Secretary, 34, Gordon Square, W.C.1.

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LCC Housing

SIR.—I have visited the LCC housing exhibition and, frankly, I came away feeling utterly depressed and indignant at what I saw. Depressed because I had hoped to see the culmination of progressive ideas and schemes embodying all that is sound and fundamental in good design and construction, particularly after so much thought, time and energy have been given to the subject by so many authorities and individuals in this country and abroad. In my opinion, I saw the very reverse and antithesis of these hopes. Judging from this exhibition alone, one would assume that we in this country have a long way to go before we attain standards comparable with those achieved in most European countries, even before the war.

To my mind, the one and only exception to this sorry display was the very nicely drawn and presented 1/16th scale elevation of the Woodberry Down scheme, which was not, however, accompanied by any plans. As it stands, it is by far the best of a very poor show.

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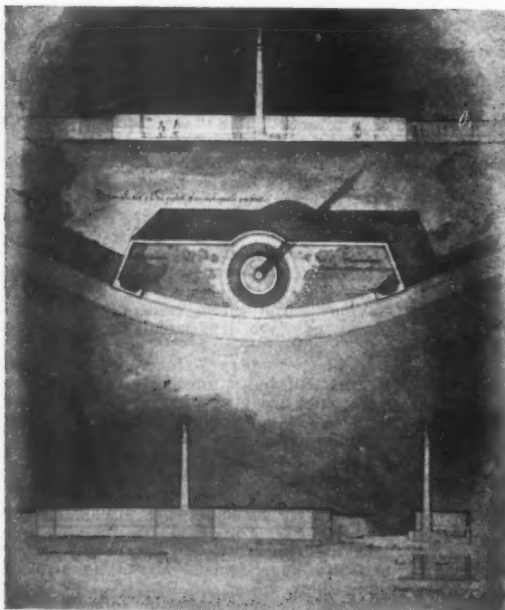
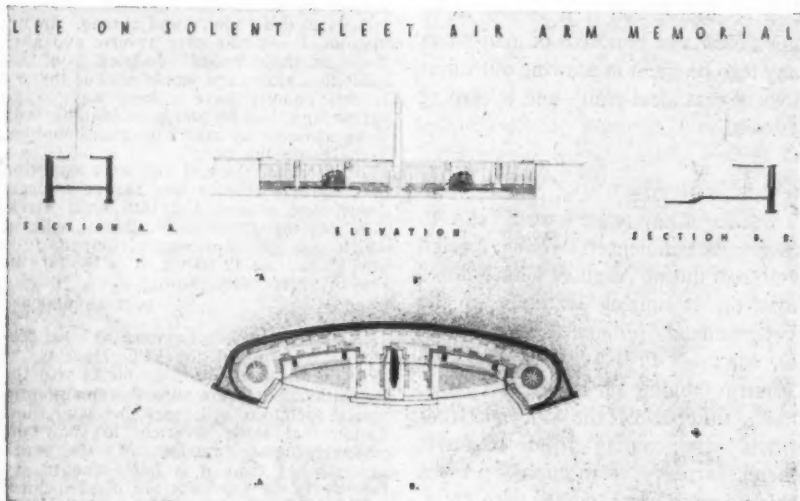
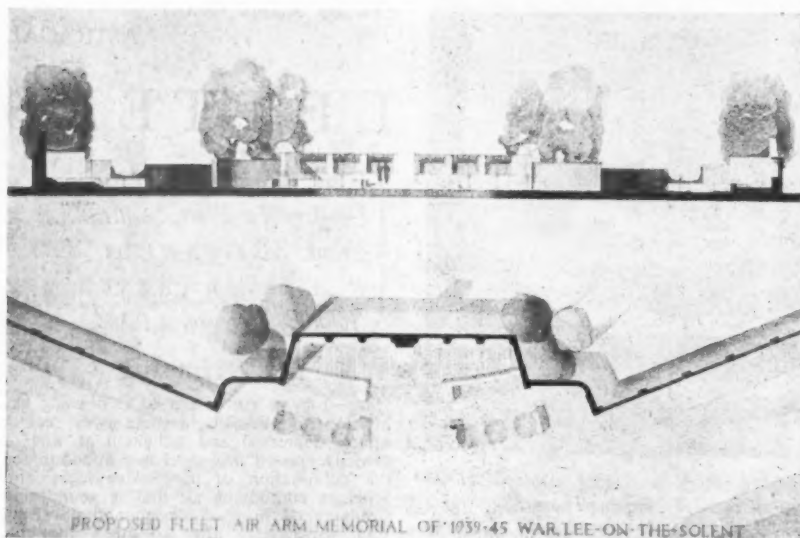
SIR.—I should like to voice a little provincial criticism of the LCC Housing. I have unfortunately been unable to visit the Exhibition, but I am sure that many provincial architects will agree that your illustrations are quite sufficient to show the extremely poor quality of the work generally. I think it is fairly true to say that we in the provinces are often inclined to expect London to set a high standard in contemporary design. But really—some of the stuff that is illustrated is incredibly dull and uninspired. If it were not for the fact that there are many photographs of actual buildings, one might well imagine that it was an exhibition of housing during the inter-war years. It is not easy to pick out a “worst feature,” but I think the design of shopping centres is pretty near the bottom. If the shops on the Chingford Estate, Essex, are a typical example, heaven forbid that the shops at Hainault, Essex, will ever be built as drawn.

Several critics have pointed out the mistake of having a valuer in charge of architecture. I agree; it is all wrong. But surely this exhibition offers evidence of the inability of large departments to produce a live architecture. I do not know the strength of the Valuers' Architectural Department, but it must be very big to produce such a huge quantity of building work; and such “bigness,” I believe, will inevitably produce at best a dull and stolid kind of architecture.

This tendency towards large architectural departments is growing at an alarming rate. In a recent issue of the JOURNAL there were just over a hundred jobs for architects advertised by fifty odd different authorities, and this huge demand shows no sign of diminishing.

It would be very interesting to see another exhibition of local authority architecture—

WAR MEMORIAL COMPETITION



The winners of the competition for the proposed war memorial to the Royal Naval Air Service 1939-45, at Lee-on-Solent, Hampshire, have been announced. First prize, £100, J. & C. Smith and L. K. Pallister (top). Second prize, £60, John A. Strubbe (centre). Third prize, £30, Norman Harrison (left). In his report, the Assessor, Edward Maufe, R.A., also commends the designs of S. H. Smith, Charles Blythin and L. C. Holbrook, J. S. Snell, Major A. D. Kirby and Peter Bosanquet.

say Liverpool or Glasgow—as this might give an indication of the relative merits of an architectural department being controlled by an Architect or a Valuer. But whatever the result might be, I still maintain that good architecture must have a human and even a personal touch and that such a feeling cannot be engendered by the building up of enormous architectural staffs by the various public authorities throughout the country.

Let me finish by saying that I do not think that all departmental architecture need be bad. Coventry and Hertfordshire have produced some really excellent design. Let us hope that they do not develop any urge for enormous expansion.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne GEOFFREY L. PRICE

SIR.—Being very much in agreement with J. M. Richards' broadcast remarks on the standard of LCC housing schemes, I was very pleased to see the JOURNAL endorse these criticisms and follow with the readers' comments. Surely, though, by this time the feelings of architects have been very definitely expressed and there can be little doubt in the minds of the LCC as to what the profession as a whole feels about the schemes on exhibition. Little can be gained by further repeating the same criticisms time and time again.

In view of the Council's generous reception of these criticisms, would it not be more appropriate to cease to labour these points, so clearly established, and instead let us see in the JOURNAL more photographs of the best examples of modern architecture and present-day housing schemes both in this country and abroad on which the LCC might base their new standards.

Stoke-on-Trent FRANK MOATE

SIR.—First, I question whether the most efficient means of insulation against the noise nuisance has been used in the floors and in the dividing walls between flat and flat. I suggest that occupants are at least entitled to the utmost privacy modern building technique can devise.

Secondly, blocks of flats of over 3 storeys high are still being built without lifts and as mothers will have to carry their babies upstairs, I suggest lifts should be provided to all blocks above 2 floors high as a standard measure.

Thirdly, at Hatch Lane, Chingford, the elevation above the shops is not unpleasing but most fascia boards follow the old high level tradition which will again result in ugly expanses of unnecessary plate glass, most undesirable in cottage estates.

Fourthly, looking at the elevations generally, fenestration either follows the old-fashioned double hung sash or that typical council house feature, the standard metal window, with the usual unpleasant results. It is suggested that the architects are allowed to use their own discretion in future.

Virginia Water R. A. LAMBOURN

SIR.—While it is unfortunately true that there is much in the LCC post-war housing schemes that is mediocre and out of keeping with the highest standards of contemporary design, it is to be regretted that many of the criticisms made in your columns are of a destructive nature, and would appear to be made by individuals with little or no pre-war architectural experience, and with but little appreciation of the problems involved.

By all means let us offer criticism where such is due, but let us avoid being biased on account of the work being entrusted to the County Valuer (however wrong this may be in principle), and let our criticisms be constructive.

The solution of a re-housing problem in Berne, Budapest or Copenhagen is not necessarily correct when applied to Bermondsey, Bethnal Green or Chelsea. Norbury

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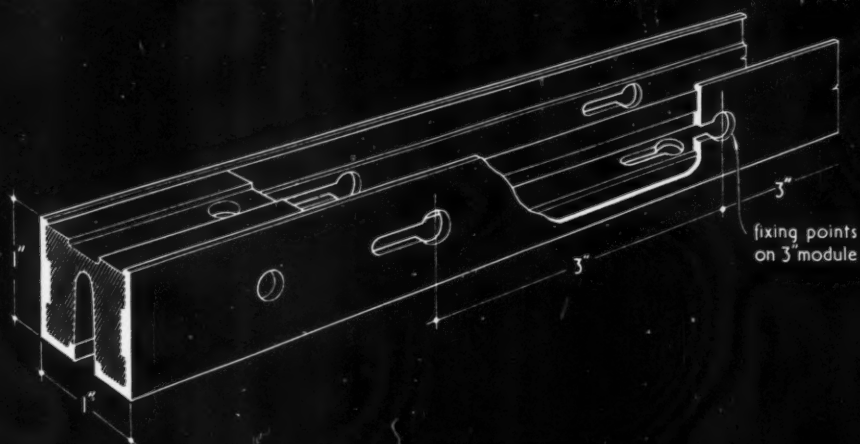
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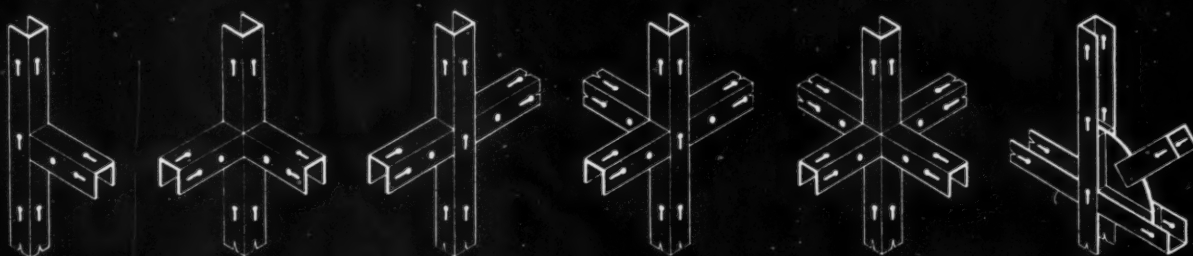
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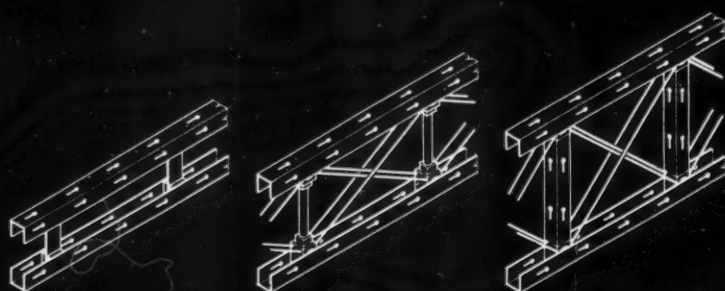
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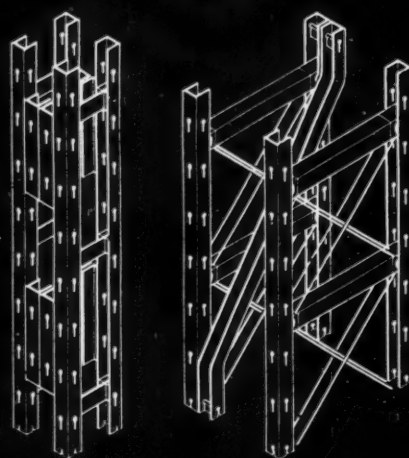
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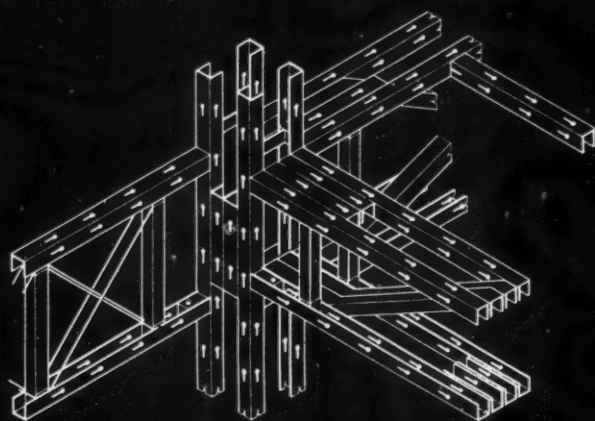
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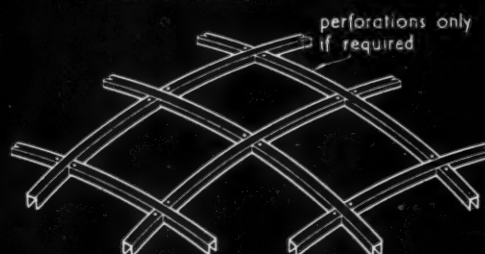
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DOME OR BARREL VAULTING ASSEMBLY.

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This Sheet describes a system of connecting extruded structural elements to form a flexible range of building components. The system has been developed to combine the advantage of orthodox prefabrication with the flexibility characteristic of more piece-meal methods of construction.

It has been developed on the basis of a 3-in. module, that is to say the extruded sections may be connected at 3-in. centres. Although the 3-in. module has been adopted for initial development this is not an inherent part of the principle for a metric or other English dimension is equally practicable. The extruded structural aluminium section is so designed that from two to four similar sections may be connected at any perforated fixing point by means of special locking elements. The locking elements are pressure die-cast to a high degree of accuracy and the only tool needed to effect final fixing is a light hammer. Assembly of these locking elements and final fixing may be carried out by unskilled labour, but a skilled building operative will necessarily assemble and fix with greater facility.

Any structure built by this system is demountable—a simple ejector tool being used to remove the locking elements, and any structure may be extended or have additional members inserted without demounting any part of the existing structure. The drawings on the face of this Sheet illustrate the standard section, the basic range of jointing practicable, a range of typical built-up building components and illustrations of typical rectangular and domical structures.

Materials

Extruded channel sections, aluminium alloy BS/STA 7/AW.10B perforated and sawn to length. This material has an ultimate tensile stress of 18 tons per sq. in. and a 1 per cent. proof stress of 15 tons per sq. in.

Extruded aluminium alloy end-pieces BS/STA 7/AW.10B.

General Application

The system has primarily been developed for the economic construction of single- and double-storey small- and large-span structures. It is regarded as economic, however, for multi-storey buildings not exceeding four storeys high. Efficient single-storey structures of very large span may be built; for instance, a 200-ft. diameter semi-circular dome designed on geodetic principles.

Although the system has been designed primarily to meet structural problems, special methods of cladding are available in addition to traditional and patented fixing techniques.

This Series of Sheets covers details of the locking system adopted, typical examples of structural and cladding details for domestic and similar single- and double-storey buildings, large-span single-storey buildings, such as warehouses and assembly halls, and loading tests on typical structural assemblies.

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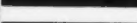

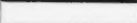
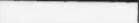

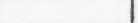
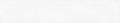
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FLOOR FINISHES LINOLEUM

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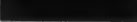


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thickness mm.	2.00	2.50	3.00	3.50	4.50	6.00	6.70
full size							
nominal thickness in.	$\frac{3}{64}$ "	$\frac{3}{32}$ "	$\frac{1}{8}$ "	$\frac{9}{64}$ "	$\frac{11}{64}$ "	$\frac{15}{64}$ "	$\frac{17}{64}$ "

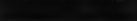



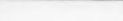
PLAIN LINOLEUM.

thickness mm.	1.45	1.80
full size		
nominal thickness in.	$\frac{1}{16}$ "	$\frac{5}{64}$ "








PRINTED LINOLEUM.

thickness mm.	1.60	2.00	3.50
full size			
nominal thickness in.	$\frac{1}{16}$ "	$\frac{5}{64}$ "	$\frac{9}{64}$ "





INLAID LINOLEUM.

thickness mm.	1.60	2.00	3.50	4.50	6.70
full size					
nominal thickness in.	$\frac{1}{16}$ "	$\frac{5}{64}$ "	$\frac{9}{64}$ "	$\frac{11}{64}$ "	$\frac{17}{64}$ "

GRANITE, JASPE, MOIRÉ AND MARBLE.

thickness mm.	2.50	3.00	3.50	4.50	5.50	6.50	8.00
full size							
nominal thickness in.	$\frac{3}{32}$ "	$\frac{1}{8}$ "	$\frac{9}{64}$ "	$\frac{11}{64}$ "	$\frac{7}{32}$ "	$\frac{1}{4}$ "	$\frac{5}{16}$ "

CORK CARPET.

thickness	 2.50 mm. ($\frac{3}{32}$ ")	 3.50 mm. ($\frac{9}{64}$ ")	 4.50 mm. ($\frac{11}{64}$ ")	 6.70 mm. ($\frac{17}{64}$ ")
application	domestic	showrooms, offices, domestic	hospital wards, restaurants, shops, offices	ships, cinemas, theatres, public buildings, hotel bars

APPLICATION ACCORDING TO THICKNESS.

LINOLEUM: SUMMARY OF TYPES.

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19.G1 LINOLEUM: GENERAL DATA, TYPES AND USES

This Sheet, the first of a group on linoleum, covers general data, types and uses. Information on the laying and fixing of linoleum is given on Sheet 19.G2, and specifications on Sheet 19.G3. 19.G4 deals with specialised applications such as to furniture and fittings.

Material

The principal ingredient in the manufacture of linoleum is oxidised linseed oil. This is mixed at a high temperature with thoroughly ground cork or wood flour and colouring pigments. Linoleum is dried or seasoned in heated chambers for from two to six weeks according to thickness.

For all gauges the plastic mass, whilst in the unseasoned state, is applied to jute or hessian backing under pressure.

On plain linoleum up to and including 2.50 mm. gauge the backing may or may not be painted. Gauges thicker than 2.50 mm. always have unpainted backings.

In other types of linoleum, gauges up to 4.50 mm. may or may not have a painted backing according to quality.

All linoleums of gauges greater than 4.50 mm. have an unpainted backing except in some cases (jaspe and marble patterns).

Linoleum does not absorb water and does not support combustion. It has germicidal properties due to the linoxyn formed during the process of oxidising the linseed oil.

Types

The types of linoleum obtainable are listed below. The standard range of thickness in which various types are obtainable is set out diagrammatically on the face of this Sheet.

The gauge of linoleum is usually given in millimetres, but for convenience approximate inch equivalents are given.

Plain linoleum: This is available in the following standard colours—brown, dark brown, light green, dark green, light blue, dark blue, terra-cotta, crimson, brick, white, black, grey and biscuit.

Printed linoleum: This consists of a surface print on a base of plain linoleum and is produced in a very wide range of patterns. This type of floor finish is commonly used where an inexpensive covering is required.

Inlaid Linoleum: This is made by inlaying a variety of colours to form a pattern which goes right through to the backing. The individual components of the pattern are cut, laid in position and keyed to the backing under pressure. This type of linoleum is suitable where a pattern is required combined with resistance to heavy wear.

Granite, jaspe, moiré and marble linoleums: These are formed by the blending of a variety of coloured linoleum mixtures during the manufacturing process.

Cork carpet: This is a resilient floor covering with a softer tread than ordinary linoleum, being largely composed of granulated cork. Standard colours available include brown, blue, green and red. It is chiefly used in situations where quietness is desirable. Cork carpet can be used as an underlay beneath linoleum.

Applications

An estimate of the amount of traffic to be provided for will govern the gauge of the linoleum to be used. The diagram on the lower part of the face of this Sheet gives approximate gauges recommended for some common applications.

The heavier gauges of linoleum may be cut into tiles, strips, etc., and arranged in any design.

Maintenance

Under ordinary conditions all linoleums may be kept clean by the use of mild household soap and a clean wet cloth. Scrubbing with harsh soaps or powerful alkali cleaning agents is injurious. To maintain the surface it should first be cleaned of all dirt and a light, even coat of wax polish rubbed well in. At frequent intervals, once daily if possible, all loose dirt should be removed with a damp cloth and the surface repolished with a polishing machine or pad. Linoleum should not be over-waxed: when this condition develops the coatings should be cleaned off with white spirit or paraffin, and a light even coat of polish applied.

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From the south-west.

FACTORY AT ILKESTON

DESIGNED BY HARALD WEINREICH
IN COLLABORATION WITH CYRIL F. HASELDINE

GENERAL.—The building is an extension to an existing hosiery factory, and is the initial step in the first stage of the development based on a master plan. The existing factory being self-contained, the new block is designed to house only the knitting process and its ancillary operations and stores. The task was to create a specially designed building to accommodate a series of processes in their correct sequence, and yet to retain the elasticity required

in any industrial plant. The block is planned with knitting shops on the east side of the main corridor and the ancillary shops with their stores, cloakrooms and vertical communications on the west side. At a future stage this corridor will be extended north and will eventually serve 3 similar blocks.

LAYOUT.—The site slopes considerably towards the east and north, so that the basement level of the adjoining old factory is some 18 in. above the ground-floor level of the new block.

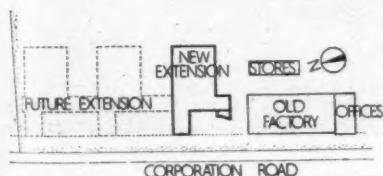
The 1st and 2nd floors of the old and new blocks respectively are on the same level. They may be connected by a covered bridge at a later stage.

PLANNING.—The plan form is governed by (1) Production requirements and flow; (2) Site

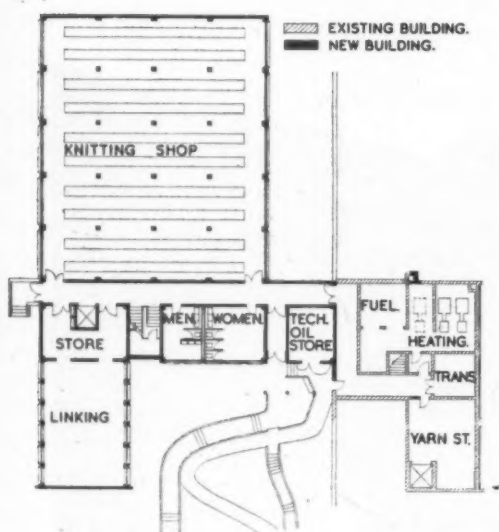
conditions and access; (3) The need for fitting in with master plan and with existing factory; (4) Aspect.

The knitting is done simultaneously in the two shops in the east block, and as soon as conditions permit a third shop will be added, bringing the whole building up to three-storey height. The ancillary processes start at ground-floor level in the linking shop and continue upwards, ending in the examining room on the top floor, the goods being conveyed by a lift easily reached from any section of the building.

The goods are sorted out on a large table and those wanted are pushed down a spiral chute into the despatch store immediately below and held there in readiness for the dyers' van to pick them up in the adjacent loading bay.

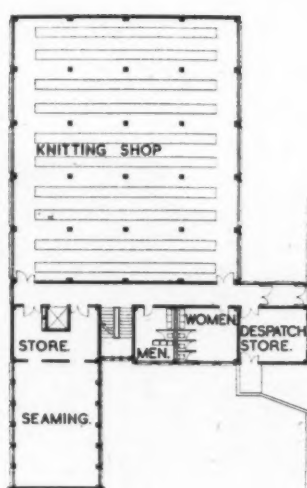


SITE PLAN [Scale: 1:3000]

GROUND FLOOR PLAN [Scale: $\frac{1}{4}$ " = 1'0"]

Workers enter the building by their own entrance under the loading dock but can also reach it by the entrance at first-floor level from a private road. All workshop windows face north and south to avoid the shallow morning and afternoon sunlight. Cloakrooms and sanitary offices are in identical positions on all floors.

CONSTRUCTION.—The building is steel-framed with hollow concrete block walls throughout, ex-

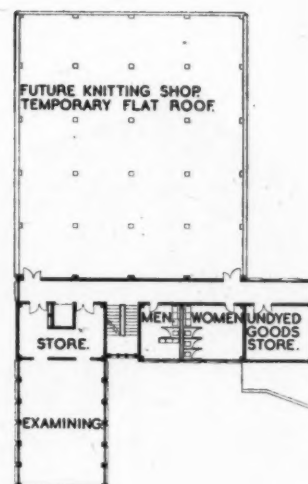


FIRST FLOOR PLAN

cept in the lavatories, where wood wool slabs have been used to form the cavity for piping and the partitions. All external walls are rendered down to D.P.C. level. The structural floors are in R.C. and, owing to the fall of the site, the ground floor slab is suspended on concrete block dwarf walls taking the place of the joists above.

ELEVATIONAL TREATMENT.

—The glass blocks employed in the openings of the knitting shops



SECOND FLOOR PLAN

and in the stairs are set in a frame of quarry tiles. In the knitting shops, casements with clear glass are set in line with the gangways.

INTERNAL FINISH.—All walls and ceilings are plastered and painted. A colour scheme was introduced in consultation with Mr. R. Nagel, designed not only to give a light and pleasant atmosphere throughout the factory, but to stimulate production. The knitting shops are a light shade of

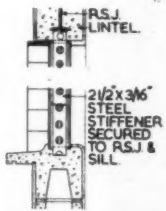


From the south-east.

FACTORY AT ILKESTON

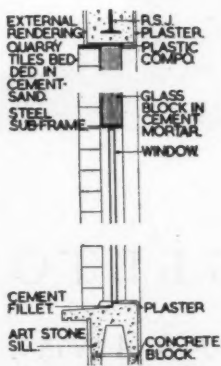


Left; the main staircase. Right; a knitting shop.

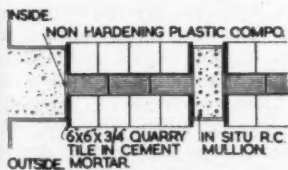


SECTION OF CLOAKROOM WINDOW

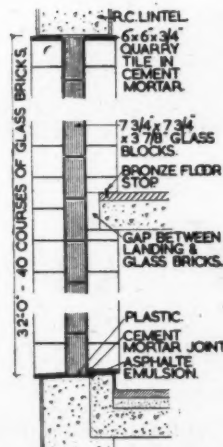
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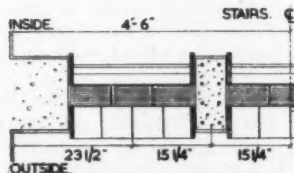
SECTION OF WINDOWS TO KNITTING SHOP



PLAN OF WINDOW TO KNITTING SHOP ABOVE STEEL SUB-FRAME



SECTION OF STAIRCASE WINDOW



PLAN OF STAIRCASE WINDOW

turquoise, the ancillary shops rose tan and light sand, the corridors and stairs a light sunshine, and the male and female cloakrooms sunshine and rose tan respectively. Machinery and benches have been included in the colour scheme and their painting is now in progress. Doors are a darker shade of turquoise, dark sand, or grey, according to the storey they serve. The floor finish throughout is hardened and coloured granolithic in panels separated by expansion

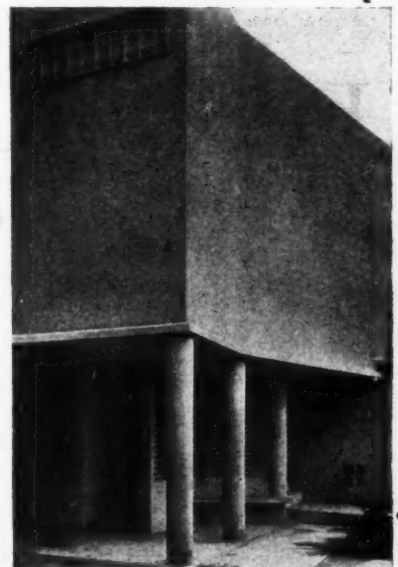
strips, and in the stairs has an admixture of carborundum.

SERVICES.—Warm water radiators fed from solid fuel boilers with automatic stokers.

The boiler house under the private road between the old and new blocks will facilitate fuel delivery. The system is thermostatically controlled to a fine degree. Plumbing is of the one-pipe system and is placed in a cavity dividing the lavatories, with inspection covers under the basins.

The main contractors were J. W. Stamp and Co.

For list of sub-contractors see page 598.



The main entrance.

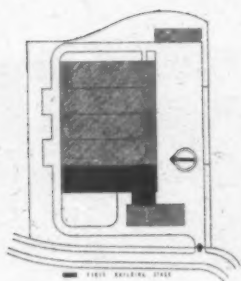
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A view from the West, showing the barrel vault roof.

FACTORY AT CONGLETON

DESIGNED BY RUDOLF FRANKEL



SITE PLAN

[completed section shown black]

Scale: 1 : 4000

GENERAL.—This is the first completed section of a knitting and clothing factory to be erected at Congleton, Cheshire. The final scheme will consist of five similar bays, with a two-storey building to contain offices and canteen.

CONSTRUCTION.—The factory has a reinforced concrete frame, with reinforced concrete barrel vault roofs over the manufacturing area of the building. These barrels, each 20 ft. by 50 ft., with a radius of 17 ft. 6 in., are lined with insulation board and covered with

bituminous felt. They are painted white inside and the shell is designed to reflect and distribute north light for interior illumination. The wing facing south comprises loading bays and cloak-rooms. The walls of this wing are 11-in. cavity brick, rendered and painted white. The plinth, entrance steps and paving are of dark blue industrial brick. The windows, doors and gutters are painted dark blue.

The main contractors were R. John Addison, Ltd. For list of sub-contractors see page 598.

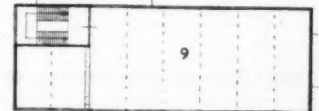
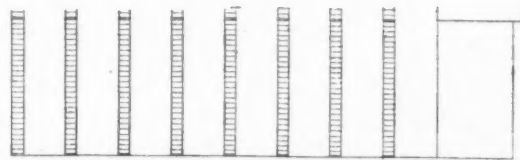


GROUND FLOOR PLAN

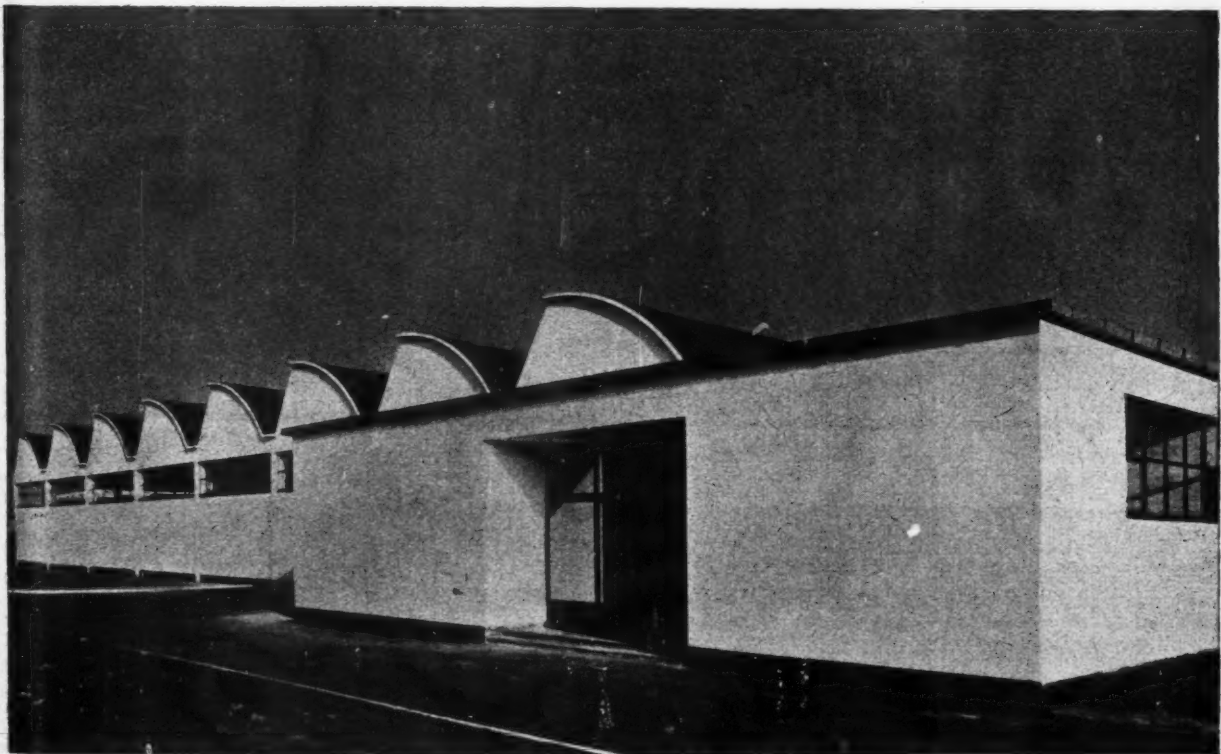
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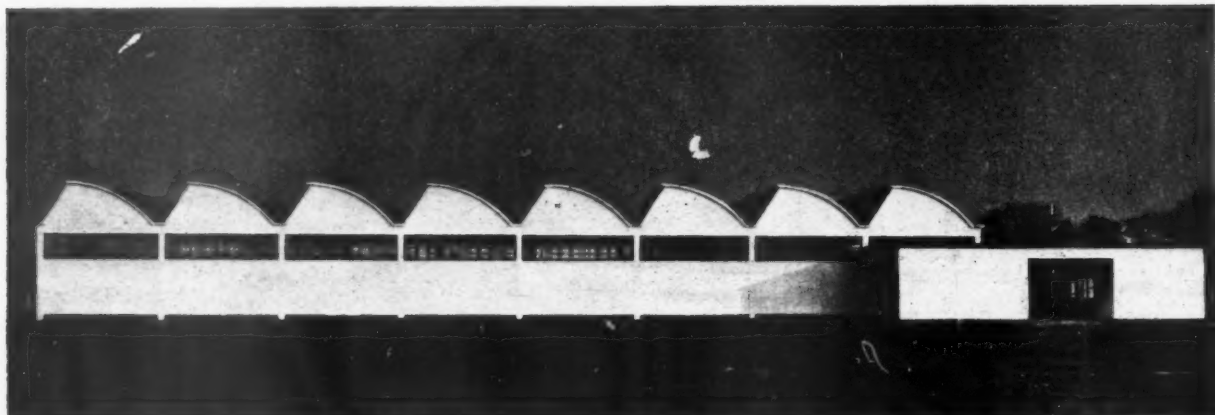
- 1 Entrance to the offices
- 2 Administrative offices
- 3 Entrance to the canteen
- 4 Rest-room and first-aid
- 5 Cloakrooms
- 6 Loading bays
- 7 Manufacturing space
- 8 Heating plant
- 9 Canteen



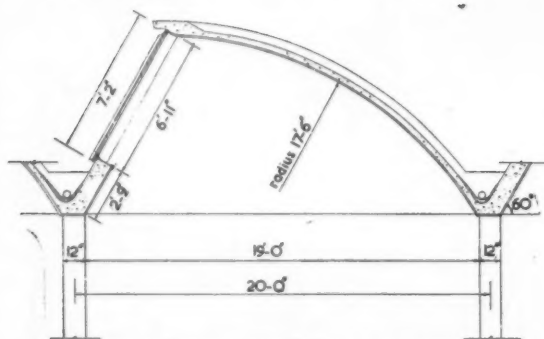
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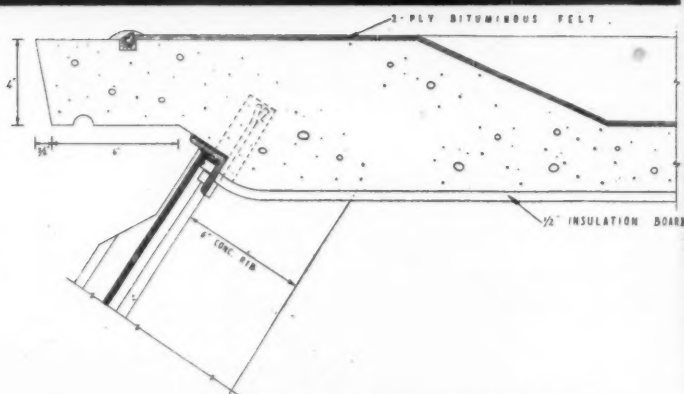
Another view from the West.



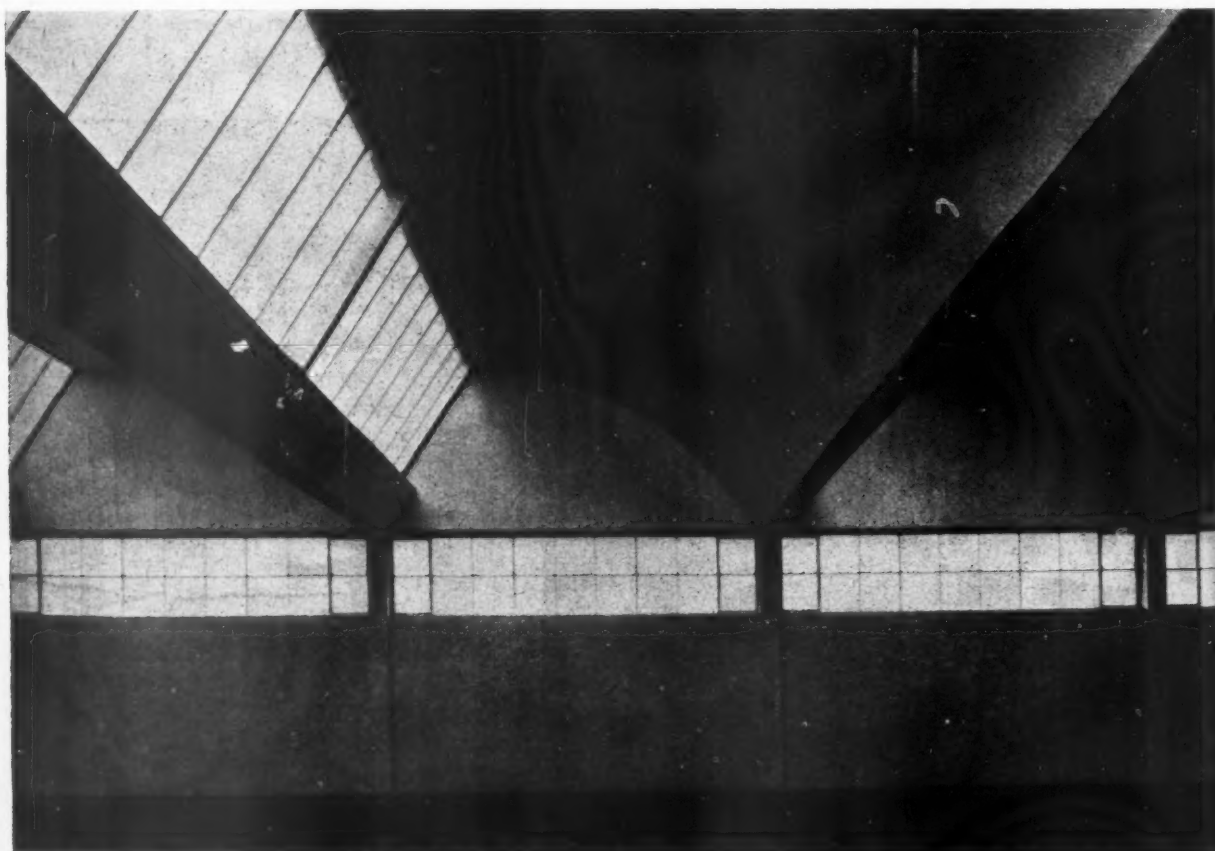
West elevation



SECTION OF THE BARREL VAULT ROOF



DETAIL OF THE BARREL VAULT ROOF

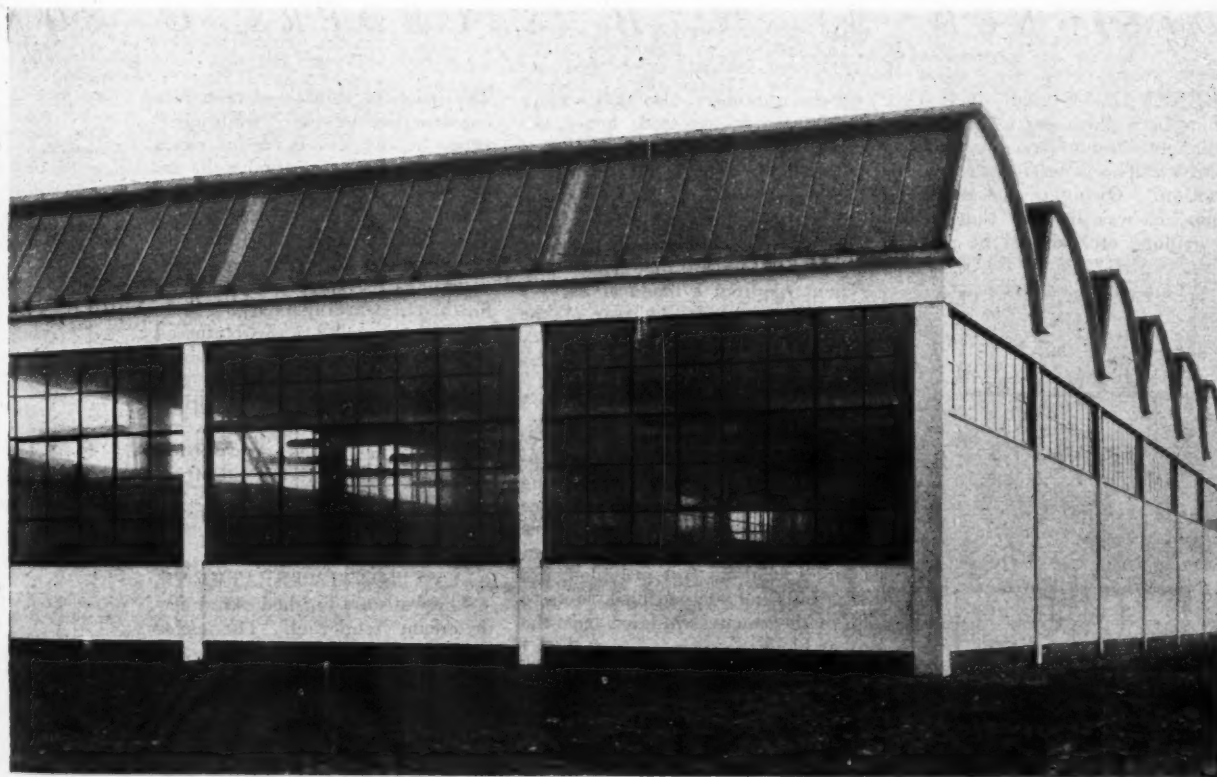


The barrel vault roof.

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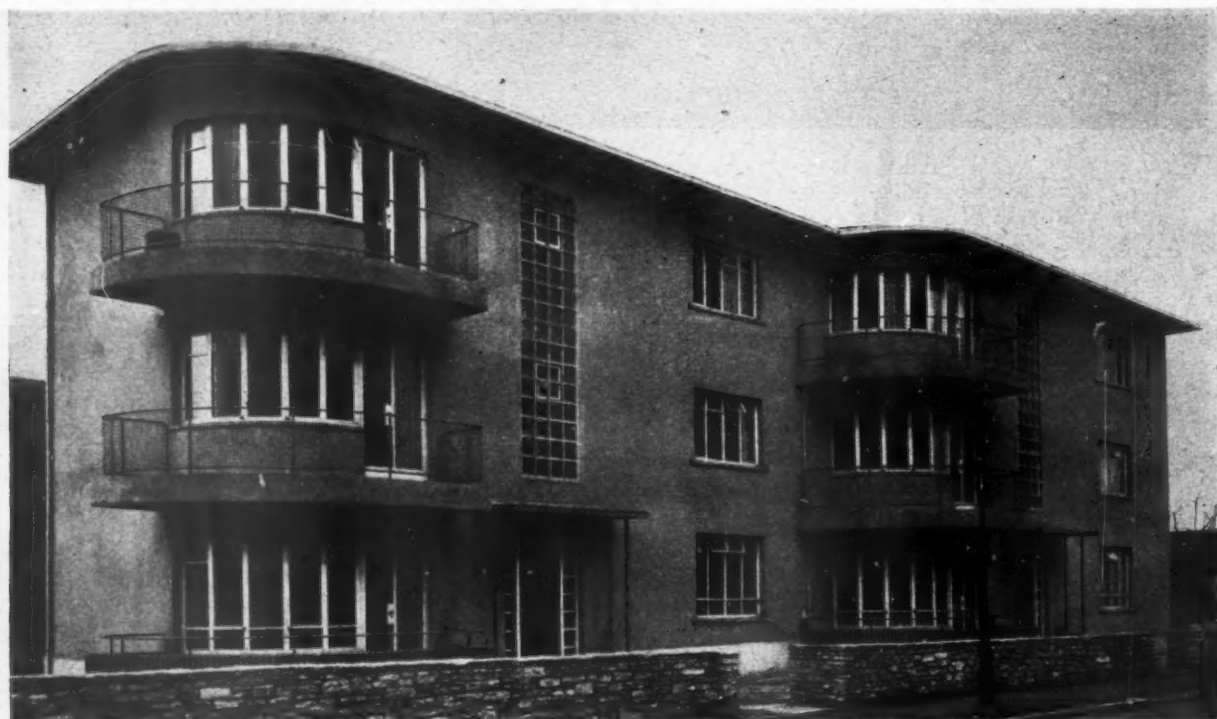


The manufacturing area, looking north.



A view from the north.

DESIGNED BY RUDOLF FRANKEL



The entrance front.

FLATS AT SOUTHAMPTON

DESIGNED BY W. H. SAUNDERS & SON.

GENERAL.—A small block of six flats in replacement of an Edwardian dwelling house, converted into flats, which was destroyed by enemy action. Owing to the restricted site, it was desired that access corridors, etc., should be reduced

to the minimum, also that service staircases be omitted, hence the decision to build in two blocks of three flats.

SITE.—The narrow shape of the site plus the building line on the road junction, and the fact that the client required a block of garages to be erected at the rear of the flats in the future, determined very much the shape and size of the building.

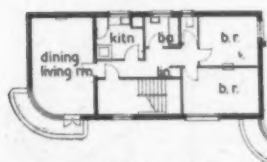
PLAN.—The building has been divided vertically, each flat being approached from a staircase landing and having its own small entrance hall. In order to obtain extra light to the living rooms, curved angle windows are provided and the building stepped back so as to provide such windows to the rear block.

CONSTRUCTION.—The building was originally designed as a steel framed construction, but owing to the steel situation it was redesigned with load bearing brick walls with only the balconies and curved angles steel framed.

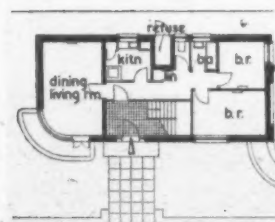
The roof is reinforced concrete construction of the "umbrella" type, having a 2 ft. 6 in. eaves projection. The internal walls are of brick. The ground floor is of mass concrete, finished with oak wood block flooring. The first and second floors are reinforced concrete construction, the floors being finished in boarding fixed to 2-in. x 2-in. fillets secured to the reinforced concrete with insulated bulldog clips. Bathrooms, kitchens and w.c.s have composition flooring. The entrance vestibule floors are in quarry tiles. The staircases are of reinforced concrete construction, and staircase windows of glasscrete construction.

ELEVATIONAL TREATMENT.

—The walls are finished externally in cream rendering. The eaves soffit, soffits of balconies and plinth are rendered with a float finish and painted with a dove grey stone paint. The ground floor balconies are built in light brown bricks. The main contractors was A. E. Jukes and Son Ltd. For list of sub-contractors see page 598.



TYPICAL FLAT



GROUND FLOOR PLAN

[Scale $\frac{1}{4}$ " = 1' 0"]

This feature covers both the production and marketing of new materials and designs of equipment, as well as the general trend of developments within the Building Industry.

THE INDUSTRY

By Brian Grant

DIMMING FLUORESCENT

With normal circuits it is impossible to dim fluorescent lighting over a range large enough to be of any practical use for theatre or cinema work. Thorn Electrical Industries, however, have evolved a modification of their Atlas Quickstart circuit which allows a dimming range of 300 to 1 or more, and this is apparently as much as is needed. In the normal Quickstart circuit the filaments are heated by a transformer whose primary is connected across the lamp. When the current is switched on the filaments are rapidly heated, but when the lamp strikes, the volts across the transformer are reduced to about half, and the heating current falls. Lowering the voltage of the supply will decrease the light output by about 15 per cent.

In the new circuit the primary of the filament transformer is connected directly to the mains and is entirely separate from the supply to the lamp. This increases the dimming range to a marked extent, so much so that the light from a 5 ft. 80 watt lamp can be reduced to about 4 per cent. The full range of dimming needed for stage lighting is only obtained with lamps whose diameter to length ratio is higher, the best of the present range being the 2 ft. 40 watt types. By using these lamps in pairs, and with a filament transformer having an extra secondary winding for the centre pair of filaments, the range of dimming is still further increased, the minimum light value being about 0.3 per cent.

At a recent demonstration held at the Boltons Theatre, Kensington, the colour lighting and dimming seemed to work extremely well, though it was possible to detect a certain jerkiness in the dimming, perhaps due to an incorrect choice of the steps in the resistances. From many points of view fluorescent lighting has many advantages for theatre work. Fire risk is very much less as the tubes run at from 50° to 60° C., whereas tungsten lamps reach temperatures which are dangerous for drapes. Current consumption is very much lower; tungsten lamps need filters which cut light emission down to somewhere from 6 to 7 lumens per watt, whereas the fluorescent tube embodies the colour in its powder (except for dark reds not yet developed), and output remains at about 40 lumens per watt on the average. Current savings naturally depend on the particular installation concerned, but in one scheme quoted the tungsten lamp load of 80 KW was reduced to 18 and there was also a saving in maximum demand of 58 KVA, the total saving in current charges being something over £600 a year, as against an increase of about 20 per cent. in the cost of control gear.

So far as auditorium lighting is concerned, the dimming requirements are very much less stringent, and 80 watt tubes can be

satisfactorily used. (Thorn Electrical Industries, Ltd., 105/109, Judd Street, London, W.C.1.)

INSULATING MATERIALS

Formed in 1946, with the active encouragement of the Ministry of Fuel and Power, the Structural Insulation Association consists of manufacturers and importers of insulating materials. They have now issued two useful leaflets, the first cataloguing the various materials available, and giving a description of the material itself, its weight per cubic foot, conductivity, how supplied (i.e., in rolls, sheets or in bulk), and the standard sizes and thicknesses. The other leaflet is equally useful, as it gives a series of typical constructions for walls, floors or roofs, with the U. values for each. These are all based on traditional methods of construction, since the large number of non-traditional types would make the list unwieldy, and, furthermore, all such constructions are normally subjected to special scrutiny to make certain that they reach a proper standard of insulation before official approval is given for development. As a ready reference these leaflets are both useful, the second would be improved if it were possible to give some indication of the relative costs of the various alternatives offered. (Structural Insulation Association, National House, 14, Moorgate, London, E.C.2.)

FIGURED ROLLED GLASSES

It is now some time since any new patterns were introduced in the figured rolled glasses. Three new types just announced by Pilkingtons are Cross Flexon, giving a diffuse light transmission of 84 per cent. with a moderate degree of obscuration. Patterns are never easy to describe—Cross Flexon might be described as a series of pyramids arranged in wavy lines. Borealis has a transmission of 70 per cent., with a high degree of diffusion and obscuration, and is illustrated below. Argent has much the same pattern with chevrons superimposed; transmission is 75 per cent., with slightly less obscuration than Borealis. (Pilkington Brothers, Ltd., St. Helens, Lancs.)

GAS RADIATORS

The photograph on this page shows Harpers No. 3161 convector heater, shown at the BIF last month. The gas supply is governed, and cannot exceed 18 cubic feet an hour. Internally there is a baffle (vitreous enamelled against corrosion) which keeps the casing cool and at the same time helps to prevent the wall from becoming discoloured. (John Harper & Co., Ltd., Albion Works, Willenhall, Staffs.)

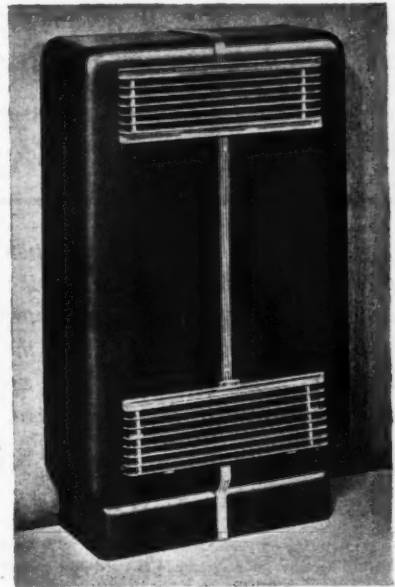
PRESTRESSED CONCRETE

The Cement and Concrete Association has just issued a booklet on Prestressed Concrete which consists of a précis of a lecture by Dr. K. W. Mautner and a report on a visit to France by members of the Association staff in May of last year. This gives a brief account of some of the prestressed concrete work carried out in France by the Société Technique pour l'Utilisation de la Précontrainte (S.T.U.P.). The range of structures already carried out includes arch and beam bridges, reservoirs and dams, as well as many precast products such as railway sleepers and telegraph poles.

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In all major work very careful detail design and close supervision are essential. Concrete strengths of 5,000 to 6,000 lb. per sq. in. are required, and need careful control. (The Cement and Concrete Association, Ltd., 52, Grosvenor Gardens, London, S.W.1.)



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2.84 planning: general LIBRARY PLANNING DATA

Sizes of Libraries. J. Vulliamy. (APRR Information Bulletin, April, 1949, Reference Sheet No. 20, p. 4.)

Useful factual information of interest to planners on sizes and siting of public libraries related to population figures.

The article, which is based on recent recommendations made by the Library Association, first discusses the distribution of libraries. A public library should be within $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles, or 20 minutes' walk, or a 2½d. bus ride, of every inhabitant, and should preferably be near a shopping centre. In towns with a population of up to 50,000, there is normally no need to establish branch libraries, with certain specified exceptions. Otherwise branches are desirable to serve 30,000 to 40,000 inhabitants. Figures for site areas to be reserved for a branch library are provided covering a population range from 2,000 to 50,000.

The site area should allow for approximately 21 feet of open space on all sides of the building. Actual building areas for each 10,000 of population should cover 600 square yards for central, and 330 square yards for branch libraries. Based on these figures a table is given specifying building and site areas for branch and central libraries for populations between 10,000 and 50,000.

Next the author discusses siting in relation to civic and social centres. He draws attention to the disadvantages of combining library services with other social activities. Allowance should be made for library growth in relation to optimum population figures, especially in the case of new and expanding towns.

Finally there are some extracts of information from various sources on library

facilities, referring in particular to the regional library scheme of the Tennessee Valley Authority, USA.

2.85 planning: general U.N. PLANNING JOURNAL

Housing and Town and Country Planning. (United Nations, New York, USA, Bulletin No. 1, Nov., 1948. Obtainable from HMSO, 7s. 6d.)

First number of comprehensive international housing and planning journal (in English throughout) issued by United Nations' Department of Social Affairs. Illustrated. Bibliographies.

In a foreword it is stated that the new periodical aims at disseminating information on "significant developments of a technological, legislative, sociological and economic character in all parts of the world. Attention will also be drawn to studies and publications of particular value in the various fields." Accordingly special articles in this first issue are concerned with problems in the war-devastated areas of Asia and the Far East, the deficit of dwellings in post-war Europe, village and town planning in India, the relation of

general planning to housing and town and country planning in Great Britain, and housing and planning in Sweden. Technological aspects covered include emergency construction and new techniques in Poland, and a description of American experimental honeycomb-core sandwich panels for housing. There are two full-length book reviews by specialists, the one on an American *Manual on Wood Construction for Prefabricated Houses*, the other on *Planning the Neighbourhood* (see 10.38:7.10.48). A useful feature of articles and reviews is a short annotation of their contents immediately following the title. News items include a review of international organizations concerned with housing, a summary of proceedings at the Zurich Congress of the International Federation for Housing and Town Planning, and a note on an Institute of Building Research in Denmark.

Lastly there is an annotated international bibliography covering the relevant subjects (printed on one side only to allow for cutting and pasting on index cards), and also a list of periodicals giving publishers' addresses, subscription rates, frequency of issue, and language. It is interesting to note that none of the items published in the new periodical carries a subject classification number.

4.50 planning: urban and rural NEW TOWNS: PROGRESS REPORTS

New Towns Act, 1946: Reports of the Aycliffe, Crawley, Harlow, Hemel Hempstead and Stevenage Development Corporations for the Period ending March 31, 1948. House of Commons Paper No. 113. (HMSO, 1949. 1s. 6d.)

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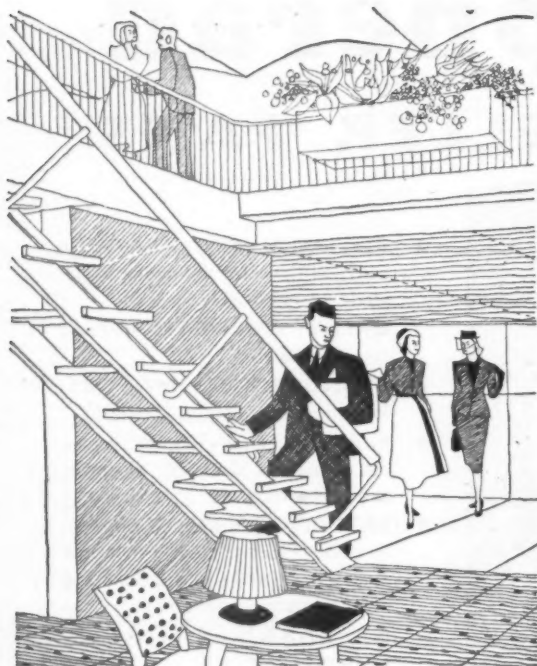
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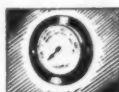
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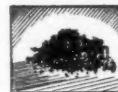
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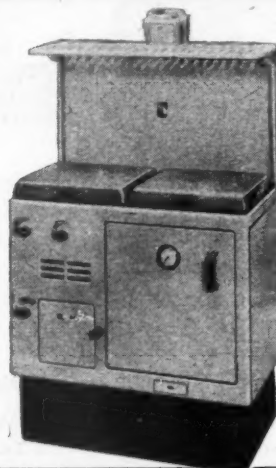
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12.32 materials: metals CORROSION

The Protection of Metals against Corrosion. T. P. Hoar. (RIBA Journal, April, 1949. pp. 276-281.)

General survey of present techniques of preventing the corrosion of metals in building. Gives a very clear picture of the process of corrosion with useful recommendations for the treatment of a number of different metals. A really useful paper that is worth reading and keeping for reference.

Some of the main points discussed are as follows:—

1. Three principles of corrosion:—

(a) Protection of metal by its own corrosion;

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(c) The character of subsequent paint coats;

(d) Less common preparatory bases for subsequent paint treatment, including acid metallic phosphates, tin, zinc, aluminium, oil coatings;

(e) Vitreous enamelling;

(f) Steel in reinforced concrete.

3. The behaviour of metal roofing material.

4. The behaviour of metals used as damp proof courses.

5. Corrosion in plumbing systems.

6. Corrosion of fittings, including window frames, etc.

7. The effect of atmospheric conditions.

The report also gives an account of the comments made during the discussion of the paper, and the author's replies.

Concerning the protection of structural steel, the author lays the responsibility upon architects and engineers to insist upon proper treatment at the steel works, and this point is of considerable importance.

There is, unfortunately, no very definite information given as to the durability of aluminium when left unpainted: a subject which is of particular interest at the moment.

17.53 construction: general DETERIORATION OF CONCRETE

The Deterioration of Concrete in Structures. F. J. Lea and N. Davey. (J. of the Institution of Civil Engineers, May, 1949. pp. 248-295.)

Internal and external causes of deterioration. Notes on repair. Bibliography and discussion.

The paper describes the most frequent causes of deterioration of concrete and preventive measures to avoid or remedy damage. The causes may be internal—i.e., unsuitable aggregate or cement, too much or impure water used in the mix—or external. Among the external causes the paper deals

with frost attack and corrosion of the reinforcement, erosion by water, chemical effect of sea-water, particularly at positions just above water level, sulphate-bearing ground water, acid gases, atmosphere attack, fire. Suggestions are made for the treatment of cracks, patching of small areas of concrete, bonding new concrete to old. The paper is illustrated by good examples.

18.28 construction: theory REINFORCED CONCRETE

Reinforced Concrete. The New Builders' Handbook No. 5. Newman Tate. (George Allen & Unwin Ltd. 1948. 5s. net.)

Elementary book on the design of simple reinforced concrete structures.

The book is intended for the use of students and young practical builders with little theoretical knowledge. It is written in simple language, and mathematics have been kept within elementary limits.

The stresses adopted in the examples are based on the old Code. Some of the illustrations are misleading; e.g., it is not good practice to arrange the reinforcement in fixed end and continuous beams as shown on Figs. 7, 8, 9, i.e., to have no reinforcement at all in the bottom beyond the assumed points of contra-flexure.

20.132 construction: complete structures PRESTRESSED R.C. TANKS

Les Procédés "Preload" pour l'Exécution d'Enveloppes Cylindriques en Béton Précontraint ("Preload" system for cylindrical structures in pre-stressed concrete). J. Bouverouille. (La Technique des Travaux [Belgium]. Jan.-Feb., 1949. pp. 17-26.)

Description of the "Preload" system for pre-stressed cylindrical structures (see Inf. Centre No. 1457: 20.4.44 and 20.39: 9.10.47). Advantages in comparison with ordinary reinforced concrete. Applications to large reservoirs and petrol tanks. Maximum diameter so far carried out: 180 ft.

20.133 construction: complete structures SHELL CONCRETE ROOFS

Les Voutes Minces en Béton aux Pays-Bas (Shell concrete structures in Holland). (La Technique des Travaux [Belgium]. March-April, 1949. pp. 101-110.)

Examples of shell concrete roofs in Holland.

The article describes several applications of cylindrical shell roofs in industrial buildings and their method of construction. A

few of the buildings illustrated are of the north-light type. One factory, covering an area of 9,000 sq. yds., was subjected to severe bombing during the war. Altogether 200 holes were punched through the shell roof, some of them having a diameter of 13 ft. All the damage could be repaired without excessive cost.

The article emphasizes the importance of repetition of the same unit from the point of view of economy.

20.134 construction: complete structures LOCO-SHED: SHELL CONCRETE

Les Remises et Ateliers du Dépôt du Locomotives de Chalons-sur-Marne (Loco-shed at Chalons-sur-Marne). R. Bernis. (La Technique des Travaux [Belgium]. Jan.-Feb., 1949. pp. 9-16.)

Thin shell reinforced concrete structure covering an area of 20,000 sq. yds.

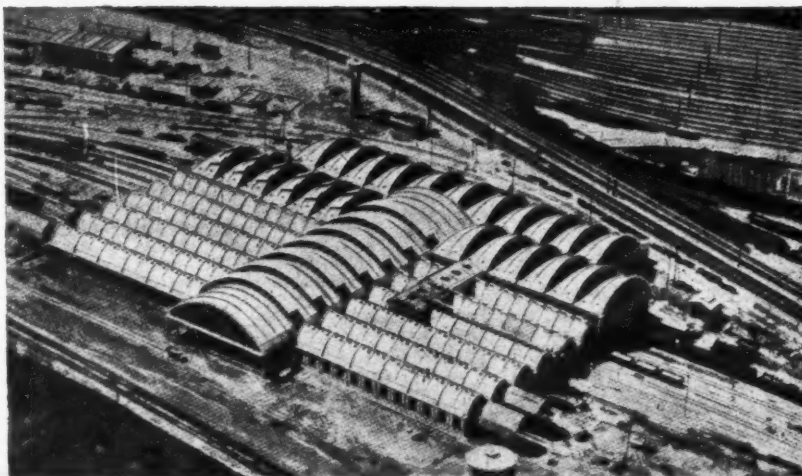
The building consists of a central hall flanked by a rectangular building on either side. The central hall has a span of 115 ft. and is covered by an arched rib shell of parabolic shape with suspended ties. It is provided with lantern lights with vertical glazing, running at right angles to its longitudinal axis. One part of the other buildings, where not much light is needed, is also covered by parabolic shell roofs. The other parts, where better lighting is required, are roofed by shells of conoid shape, supported on parabolic arcs of 81 ft. span at 31 ft. centres. This form of construction allows the arrangement of vertical glazing. The whole building is supported on 625 piles of 33 to 50 ft. length.

20.135 construction: complete structures NATIVE HOUSES S.A.

Native Houses at Klipspruit, South Africa, for the Johannesburg City Council. (The Builder, April 29, 1949, pp. 527-8.)

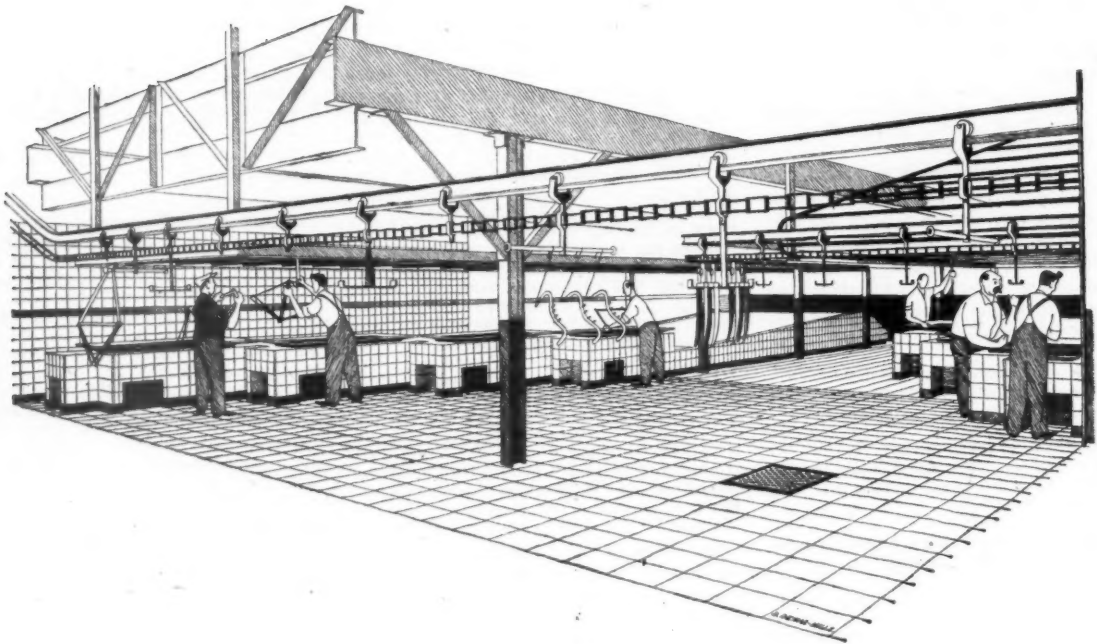
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Aerial view of loco-sheds at Chalons-sur-Marne. (See 20.134)

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GOVERNMENT AND BUILDING

By Ian Bowen

The relationship between the Government and the building industry is entirely different in 1949 from what it was in 1939. There are, of course, more controls in force, such as building licensing and the registration of firms under Regulation 56 AB; and there is the official housing policy being pursued by the Ministry of Health and the Department of Health for Scotland. But these are not the only changes, and more may perhaps result from any policies suggested by the Working Party now sitting. Some of the present complex responsibilities of the Government in respect of building are indicated in the Summary Report of the Ministry of Works for the year 1948 (Cmd. 7698), published this month.

LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

The report states that despite the substantial increases in the financial limits for unlicensed work some 300,000 individual applications for licences were dealt with by the licensing officers of the Ministry, while officers of the Local Authorities issued for housing work (other than erection of new houses) 757,000 more—and presumably “dealt with” an even larger figure. Thus well over one million applications must have been handled by the Ministry and the Local Authorities taken together.

Some 516 prosecutions were brought during the year, so that the prosecution rate per licence dealt with was less than 0.05 per cent. This suggests either that builders and their clients are remarkably law abiding, and totally above such mundane temptations as fiddling or black marketeering may offer, or that licences are now granted so freely as to be almost redundant, or that enforcement is practically impossible. It is difficult to know how much weight to give each of these possible interpretations.

The facts need to be looked at further in the light of the registration figures. During the year 1948, 22,352 new (or “revised”) undertakings were registered, but the net increase in active firms was only about 2,500 over the year; thus nearly 20,000 firms went out of business or ceased to operate. As at November, 1948, there were 50,138 firms with “nil” operatives, and 45,113 with up to 5 operatives. Apart from these firms there were 27,555 active firms with an overall average employment per firm of some 32 operatives.

Registration produces statistics from which the nature of the problem can be seen. Licensing of work is at present the chosen method of controlling the volume and nature of the projects undertaken. But the vast number of little firms must be all but impossible to fit into any programme; the administrative cost, in its widest sense—that is including the cost and frustration incurred by builders and their clients, as well as the direct cost to the state—may well be out of proportion to the effective control achieved. At the same time, the need for some kind of control seems to be as unquestionable now as it was in 1945 and 1946. The general economic situation of the country at least up to 1952, and probably beyond that date, demands that the resources going into building should be limited, and also carefully utilized. It is much easier to point out the deficiencies of the licensing system than to suggest an alternative, although as the pro-

gramme develops, and the underlying supply position changes, it becomes more and more apparent that an alteration should be devised. This can only be worked out in terms of a Government machinery that has been carefully constructed for the specialized purpose of seeing that certain work is done, instead of being mainly concerned with preventing work being done, even if that was a necessary negative function in the immediate post-war period.

THE LABOUR FORCE

When in doubt about the capital programme, cut new housing. That is one of the maxims dearest to amateur students of the building situation. The outlook on new housing, like the anxiety about the number of bricks laid by bricklayers, is possibly popular because houses, like bricks, are easily counted; the other parts of the building programme ought to be equally liable to be axed in times of crisis, but never are, partly because of the difficulty in enumerating them under any logical headings.

The Ministry of Works report mentions that the labour force engaged on new housing fell from 320,000 in December, 1947, to 264,000 in December, 1948; it now must stand at about 215,000; The total labour force engaged on building of all kinds has not fallen correspondingly.

The Economic Survey for 1949 (Cmd. 7647) suggested an enormous increase in new work other than housing in 1949, but, as was argued in a previous article, the targets there set were almost certainly too high to be realized. The Ministry of Works' Report points out that vacancies notified by building and civil engineering contractors at the labour exchanges had fallen to 24,510 by the end of December, 1948, from a high figure of 86,410 in June, 1947. With such a low demand a very rapid build-up of labour on the non-housing programme is unlikely to be achieved.

To sum up, while the programmes now scheduled for schools, agricultural and industrial buildings, and so on, will be steadily built up in 1949, this will take place at a slower rate than planned. Meanwhile, labour is likely to continue being released from housing, at any rate for another few months. Licensing will be persisted in (at great cost), in the absence of an alternative, but it will tend to be rather ineffective as labour and materials will not be in very short supply.

GOVERNMENT AND THE INDUSTRY

Several standing committees now link the Government with the industry. Four of them are (1) the Building and Civil Engineering Joint Committee, (2) the Advisory Committee on Contractors' Plant, (3) the Building Industry Production Sub-Committee, and (4) the Advisory Committee of Specialists and Sub-contractors. In addition there is the National Consultative Council of the Building and Civil Engineering Industries which considered in 1948 such high policy matters as the capital programme, the supply and distribution of building materials and land clearance in the Development Areas. The machinery of full mutual consultation thus seems to be established. But the state of licensing and registration of small firms does not confirm that a successful policy has yet been settled, or implemented.

Perhaps the most interesting developments mentioned in the Ministry's reports are those relating to research. An Advisory Service for the Building Industry was started experimentally in 1945 with headquarters in Cambridge. Its aim is to assist in bringing the results of research and development to the wider knowledge of the industry and of the professions associated with it. This is an experiment of great importance, and its progress should be closely studied.

The Government has continued to publish reports on building techniques (such as Special Report No. 4 of the National Building Studies, on “New Methods of House Construction”), and to carry out experiments on selected building plant and new materials. The Ministry of Works has collaborated with the Ministry of Fuel and Power on the development of appliances for domestic heating, and encouraged research elsewhere on “human requirements” as deduced from living conditions in experimental houses. There is not the slightest doubt that this ferment of officially encouraged research activity has produced results, and is still producing results, that put British building techniques well ahead of those in any other country.

It is all the more to be wondered at that an equally serious approach is not made to the economic aspect of the problems involved. As long as the industry itself has only a few large efficient firms and a long “tail” to go in and bat with inadequate coaching, the cost problem will vitiate further advances. The consumer end of building is not adequately organized. “Human requirements” research will not bring results if effective economic demand is not canalized in some way. This, it is increasingly clear, is the centre of the problem, and whatever Ministry has the responsibility, in the long run the interests of the consumer, including his aesthetic needs, should be the criterion of a successful building policy.

The Ministry of Works, and the other agencies concerned, have done a wonderful pioneering job in developing research and a machinery of consultation with the industry. What yet remains to be done is to organize the demand for building on more rational lines.

Announcements

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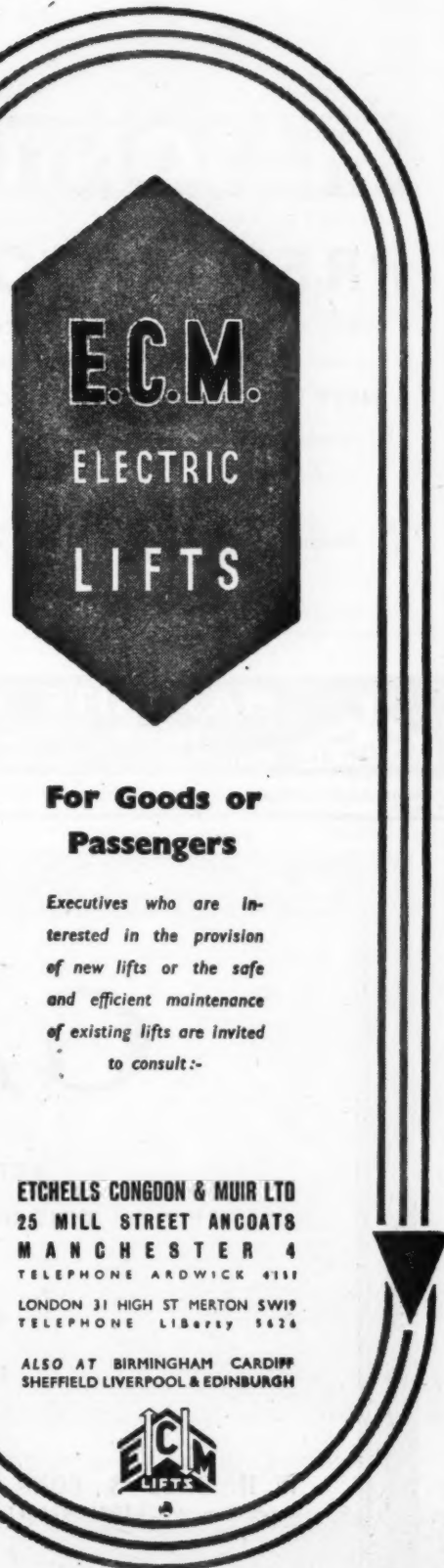
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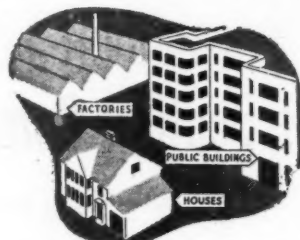
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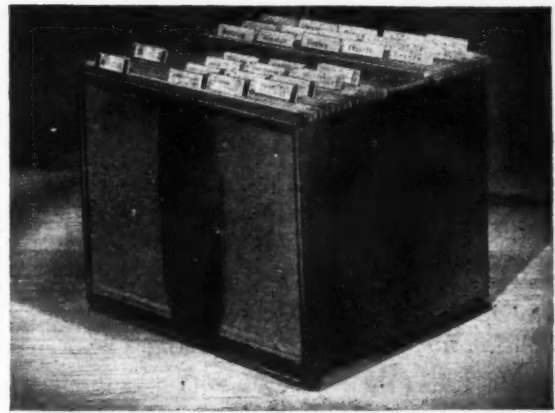
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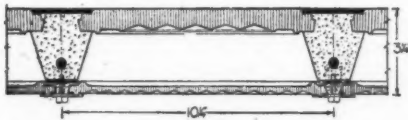
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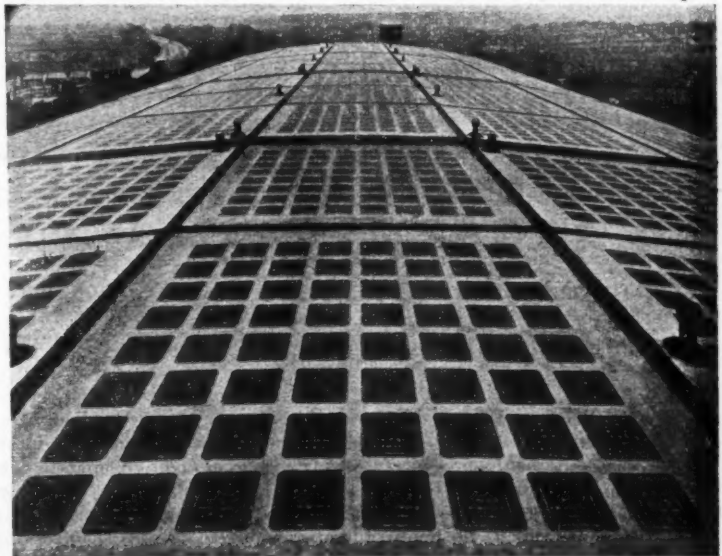
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A. D. VICKERMAN,

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Town Hall, Whitehaven.

13th June, 1949.

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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF HAYES AND HARLINGTON

ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S

DEPARTMENT

Applications are invited from suitably experienced persons regularly trained as Architects for the appointment of Temporary SENIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT (two vacancies), on Grade A.P.T., VI (present inclusive salary £625, rising to a maximum of £690).

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Applications, on forms which can be obtained, together with the Conditions of the Appointments, on receipt of a stamped-addressed envelope from the Engineer and Surveyor, at the Town Hall, Hayes, Middlesex, should be returned to him duly completed not later than 11th July, 1949.

A. E. HIGGINS,

Clerk of the Council.

Town Hall, Hayes, Middx.

20th June, 1949.

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CITY OF LEICESTER

Applications are invited for the appointment of a MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT in the City Surveyor's Department. The salary will be in accordance with Grade A.P.T., IV to VI (£480-£660), according to qualifications and experience, and the appointment is subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937. Applicants should have a good knowledge of architectural practice and be experienced in the architectural maintenance of Corporation buildings.

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CITY OF WAKEFIELD

CITY ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT

SENIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT

Applications are invited for the appointment of a Senior Architectural Assistant, at a salary within Grade A.P.T., VI (£595-£660). The commencing salary will be fixed in the light of the successful applicant's qualifications.

The appointment will be subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and to the passing of a medical examination.

Candidates should state in writing whether to their knowledge they are related to any member or senior official of the Corporation. Canvassing will be a disqualification.

Applications, endorsed "Senior Architectural Assistant," stating age, qualifications, present and previous appointments, testimonials, should be sent to me not later than Saturday, the 9th July, 1949.

The Council will give favourable consideration to the provision of housing accommodation.

W. S. DES FORGES,

Town Clerk.

11th June, 1949.

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THURROCK URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S

DEPARTMENT

ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT. A vacancy occurs in the Council's Architectural Staff for an Assistant on Grade III of the A.P.T. Division of the National Scale of Salaries, viz., £450-£515-£495 per annum.

General architectural experience is necessary, and previous success in some part or parts of the Examination leading to the qualification A.R.I.B.A. will be an advantage.

The Council will provide housing accommodation, if required, to the successful candidate residing more than 20 miles from Thurrock Urban District.

The appointment is subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and it will be necessary for the selected candidate to pass a medical examination.

Applications, stating age, qualifications, and experience, with copies of not more than three testimonials, endorsed "Architectural Assistant III," should reach the undersigned not later than 1st post on Tuesday, 5th July, 1949.

Canvassing will disqualify, and applicants must disclose, in writing any relationship to any member or Senior Officer of the Council.

A. E. POOLE,

Clerk of the Council.

Council Offices, Whitehall Lane, Grays.

9th June, 1949.

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BOROUGH OF WATFORD

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT ARCHITECT

Applications are invited for the permanent appointment of an ASSISTANT ARCHITECT in the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

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Applications on the prescribed form must be returned to me not later than Friday, 8th July, 1949, endorsed "Assistant Architect."

F. C. SAGE, Assoc. M.Inst.C.E.,

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Town Hall, Watford.

June, 1949.

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BOROUGH ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S

DEPARTMENT

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Candidates for post (a) must be Associates of the R.I.B.A.

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Further details of the posts and forms of application may be obtained from the Borough Engineer and Surveyor, to whom completed applications must be returned not later than Saturday, 9th July, 1949.

Canvassing in any form will disqualify.

W. L. ALLEN,

Town Clerk.

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LONDON ELECTRICITY BOARD

Applications are invited for the following appointments in the Architects Section of the Chief Engineer's Department in Central London.

(a) ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS. Commencing salary will be from £650 per annum, dependent upon qualifications and experience.

Applicants should preferably be Associate Members of the R.I.B.A. They should be capable of preparing working drawings and specifications and should have had good general experience in design and construction.

(b) ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS. Commencing salary will be from £500 per annum dependent upon qualifications and experience.

Applicants should be studying for or have passed the Intermediate Examination of the R.I.B.A., be capable draughtsmen and have had several years' experience in an Architect's office.

(c) DRAUGHTSMEN. Commencing salary will be from £350 per annum, dependent upon ability and experience.

Applicants should be neat draughtsmen and preferably have had several years' experience in an Architect's office.

The salaries for the above post are provisional and the salaries and conditions of employment will be in accordance with those laid down from time to time by the appropriate negotiating body.

The successful candidates will be required to contribute to a superannuation scheme and may be required to pass a medical examination.

Application should be made on forms obtainable from the Establishments Officer, London Electricity Board, 46/47, New Broad Street, London, E.C.2, to whom they should be returned, duly completed, within fourteen days of the publication of this notice. 1355

CHESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING STAFF

Applications are invited for the following appointments, which are on the permanent establishment of my department.

The posts are subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful applicants will be required to act under the direction of the County Planning Officer and, in the case of area appointments, under the direction of the Area Planning Officer, in the preparation of a development plan for the county and the control of development under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947.

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(b) PLANNING ASSISTANTS. Salary A.P.T., III-IV (£450-£525).

Applicants for these positions should have obtained the Intermediate examination (or equivalent) of one of the recognized institutes, and preference will be given to candidates who have had some training in architecture and are experienced in town and country planning.

The successful applicants will be stationed at Chester and Altrincham, and applications should indicate the applicant's preference.

Forms of application, together with details of the duties and conditions attaching to the appointments, may be obtained from me on receipt of a stamped and addressed foolscap envelope.

The last date for the receipt of completed applications is Saturday, 30th July, 1949.

KENNETH O. MALE,

County Planning Officer.

Bridgegate House, Lower Bridge Street,

Chester.

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LONDON ELECTRICITY BOARD.

Applications are invited for the following appointment in the Architect's Section of the Chief Engineer's Department in Central London—

QUANTITY SURVEYOR. Commencing salary will be from £700 per annum.

Applicants should preferably be Chartered Quantity Surveyors, and have had considerable experience in a Quantity Surveyor's office.

Applicants should be competent to take responsibility for the preparation of Bills of Materials, Estimates, Measurement of Works on site, preparation of Interim Certificates and checking of final accounts.

The salary for the above post is provisional and the salary and conditions of employment will be in accordance with those laid down from time to time by the appropriate negotiating body.

The successful candidate will be required to contribute to a superannuation scheme and may be required to pass a medical examination.

Application should be made on forms obtainable from the Establishments Officer, London Electricity Board, 46/47, New Broad Street, London, E.C.2, to whom they should be returned, duly completed, within fourteen days of the publication of this notice. 1356

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.

QUANTITY SURVEYORS.

Vacancies exist for Quantity Surveyors in the Housing and Valuation Department, for work in connection with the development of cottage estates and the construction of multi-storey dwellings, at salaries of up to £700 a year, the commencing salary in each case being determined according to qualifications and experience. Successful candidates will be required to contribute to the Council's Superannuation and Provident Fund, and will be eligible for appointment to the Council's permanent staff and for advancement on the occurrence of vacancies.

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Forms of application may be obtained from the Director of Housing and Valuer, The County Hall, Westminster Bridge, S.E.1 (a stamped addressed foolscap envelope required), quoting Q.S.1.

Canvassing disqualifieds. (2140) 752

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.

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Application forms may be obtained from the Architect to the Council (AR/P/A), County Hall, Westminster Bridge, London, S.E.1, enclosing stamped addressed foolscap envelope.

Canvassing disqualifieds. (635) 1127

BOROUGH OF SOUTHGATE.

BOROUGH ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL STAFF.

Applications are invited for the following appointments in the Department of the Borough Engineer and Surveyor:—

(a) **CHIEF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.** A.P.T. VII-VIII.

(b) **TWO ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS.** A.P.T. V-VI.

(c) **ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.** A.P.T. IV-V.

In each case the appropriate "London weighting" will be paid. For appointment (a) the commencing salary will be the first step of A.P.T. VII.

For appointments (a) and (b) applicants must be Associate Members of the Royal Institute of British Architects or hold an equivalent qualification. For appointment (c) candidates must at least be in possession of the Intermediate Examination of that Institute.

Forms of application for each appointment may be obtained from the Borough Engineer and Surveyor, and should be returned clearly marked Appointment (a), (b) or (c), as the case may be, to the undersigned not later than 9 a.m. on Monday, 18th July, 1949.

Canvassing, directly or indirectly, will be a disqualification.

GORDON H. TAYLOR.

Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Palmers Green, London, N.13. 1421

22nd June, 1949.

CITY OF COVENTRY.

Applications are invited for the following whole-time appointments on the staff of the City Architectural Department:—

(a) **ONE ASSISTANT ARCHITECT.** Salary on Grade A.P.T. VII, commencing at £635 per annum and rising to £710 per annum.

(b) **ONE ASSISTANT ARCHITECT.** Salary on Grade A.P.T. V, commencing at £520 per annum and rising to £570 per annum.

(c) **ONE ASSISTANT ARCHITECT.** Salary on Grade A.P.T. IV, commencing at £480 per annum and rising to £525 per annum.

Applicants for (a), (b) and (c) should be Associate Members of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or hold equivalent qualifications.

(d) **ONE ASSISTANT ARCHITECT.** Salary on Grade A.P.T. III, commencing at £450 per annum and rising to £495 per annum.

Applicants should have passed the Intermediate Examination of the Royal Institute of British Architects.

(e) **ONE ASSISTANT ARCHITECT.** Salary on Grade A.P.T. II, commencing at £420 per annum and rising to £465 per annum.

(f) **ONE ARCHITECTURAL DRAUGHTSMAN.** Salary on Grade A.P.T. I, commencing at £390 per annum and rising to £435 per annum.

Applicants should be experienced draughtsmen, capable of preparing scale plans of existing buildings. The appointment will be of a duration of not less than two years.

(g) **ONE ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYOR.** Salary on Grade A.P.T. VII, commencing at £635 per annum and rising to £710 per annum.

Applicants should be members of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (Quantity Division), and should have a wide experience of all branches of Quantity Surveying appertaining to the work of a Local Authority.

(h) **ONE ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYOR.** Salary on Grade A.P.T. IV, commencing at £480 per annum and rising to £525 per annum.

In certain circumstances, housing accommodation may be made available for the successful applicants in the cases of (a), (b) and (g). Salary increments are subject to satisfactory service.

The posts are subject to one month's notice on either side and to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, as amended in regard to annuities to widows by the Coventry Corporation Act, 1936, and a satisfactory certificate will be requisite from the Council's Medical Referee. The successful male applicants will be required to contribute to the Municipal Officers' Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund.

Applications for all the above appointments must be on the forms obtainable from the undersigned, and should be returned completed, together with copies of not more than two recent testimonials, or names of two persons to whom reference may be made, not later than ten days after the publication of this advertisement.

Canvassing, directly or indirectly, will be a disqualification.

D. E. E. GIBSON.

City Architect.

1a, Warwick Row, Coventry.

30th June, 1949.

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BOROUGH OF BLYTH.

SENIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.

Applications are invited for the appointment of a Senior Architectural Assistant in the Borough Engineer's Department. Salary, Grade V, A.P.T., namely £520-£570 per annum.

Applicants must be Corporate Members of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and have had good experience in Municipal housing work. The appointment is subject to—

(a) The National Scheme of Conditions of Service;

(b) the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and

(c) the passing of a medical examination.

Applications, suitably endorsed and accompanied by three recent testimonials, must reach the undersigned not later than Monday, 11th July, 1949.

Canvassing will disqualify, and applicants must state whether, to their knowledge, they are related to any member or senior official of the Council.

Housing accommodation will be provided if necessary.

EDWIN W. CARTER.

Town Clerk.

75, Marine Terrace, Blyth,

Northumberland.

1300

COUNTY BOROUGH OF CROYDON.

SCHOOL ARCHITECT'S SECTION.

Applications are invited for the appointment of a **JUNIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.**

Salary A.P.T. II, £420-£515-£465 p.a. is paid (£20 p.a. if under 26 years of age).

Inter R.I.B.A. standard, with experience in preparing working drawings.

The appointment is established and superannuable, subject to medical examination.

The Council does not offer living accommodation for this appointment.

Forms of application obtainable from the Chief Education Officer, Katharine Street, Croydon (on sending stamped addressed foolscap envelope), must be returned to him not later than the 16th July, 1949.

Canvassing will disqualify.

E. TABERNER.

Town Clerk.

June, 1949.

1378

THE CO-OPERATIVE WHOLESALE SOCIETY, LTD.

invite applications for the following appointments on the Staff of the Manchester Architects' Department:—

TWO SENIOR ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS. Salary range £675-£775 per annum. Applicants should preferably be Associates of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and must have had considerable experience either in design and planning of modern factories or large shopping emporiums and retail shops. A high standard of architectural design is expected, in addition to administrative ability and experience.

THREE ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS. Salary range £510-£625 per annum. Applicants should preferably be Associates of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and must have a sound architectural experience in planning and design, and be able to undertake work with a minimum of supervision.

THREE ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS. Salary range £470-£535 per annum. Applicants should have a sound knowledge of building construction and architectural design, and be able to produce working drawings and details, under supervision, from sketch plans.

THREE ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS. Salary range £400-£465 per annum. Applicants should be good draughtsmen, and possess a sound knowledge of construction and some general architectural experience.

The above appointments are permanent, and offer prospects of up-grading to competent Assistants. Successful candidates will be required to undergo a medical examination for entry into compulsory superannuation scheme.

Applications, stating age, experience and qualifications, to be addressed to:—The Chief Architect, Co-operative Wholesale Society, Ltd., 1, Balloon Street, Manchester, 4. 1380

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.

Applications are invited for the appointment of **SENIOR ASSISTANT ARCHITECT, Grade VII.** Salary £635-£725-£710 per annum.

Candidates must be Registered Architects, preferably A.R.I.B.A., with experience in design and construction of Public Buildings, including schools.

The appointment will be subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and candidates, before appointment, will be required to pass a medical examination. In approved cases the County Council are prepared to assist newly appointed members of the staff to meet removal and other expenses.

The appointment is terminable by one calendar month's notice on either side.

Applications should be made on forms to be obtained from the County Architect, The Castle, Winchester, to whom they should be returned not later than the 16th July, 1949.

G. A. WHEATLEY.

Clerk of the County Council.

The Castle, Winchester. 1379

17th June, 1949.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD.

ST. NICHOLAS' HOSPITAL, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

The Board desires to appoint a **PRACTISING ARCHITECT or FIRM OF ARCHITECTS** for the planning and construction of a new Admission Hospital of 70 beds and two Convalescent Villas, each of 20 beds, at the above Mental Hospital.

Applicants should preferably have had experience in the planning and construction of Mental Hospitals. Particulars of the Board's system of administration for architectural projects, including, *inter alia*, committee organization and arrangements for consultation with the appropriate officers of the Hospital Management Committee, and the Regional Hospital Board, may be obtained from the undersigned.

It is hoped to commence building operations early next year.

Applicants are invited to state their special qualifications for undertaking this project (quoting examples of hospital work executed), and to submit their applications not later than 15th July, 1949, to E. B. Jenkins, Secretary, Newcastle-upon-Tyne Regional Hospital Board, "Dunira," Osborne Road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 2.

E. B. JENKINS.

Secretary.

14th June, 1949. 1375

COUNTY BOROUGH OF DERBY.

BOROUGH ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT.

Applications are invited for the following appointments on the permanent staff in accordance with the National Scale of Salaries:—

ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS, Grade VI. Salary £595-£660.

Applicants should be Associate R.I.B.A., with a good knowledge of general architectural work.

The appointments will be subject to one month's notice in writing on either side, and to the terms of the National Joint Council's Scheme of Conditions of Service, and the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful applicants will be required to pass a medical examination.

Forms of application may be obtained from Thos. W. East, F.R.I.B.A., Borough Architect, The Council House, Derby, and should be returned when completed, together with a copy of one testimonial and the names of two persons to whom reference may be made, to arrive not later than Monday, 18th July, 1949.

Canvassing, directly or indirectly, will be a disqualification.

R. H. NICHOLS.

Town Clerk.

1374

IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION.

There are vacancies in the Quantity Surveying Branch in London for QUANTITY SURVEYORS with good training and experience as follows:—

(a) One post. Salary £750-£1,000 per annum, plus extra duty allowance of 3 per cent. of salary, for 45-hour week. Applicants must be over 35 years of age, and have had pre-war experience in taking off quantities without supervision for buildings of a high architectural standard. Must also be capable of taking complete charge of contracts from their commencement to completion and supervising staff.

(b) Four posts. Salary £475-£750 per annum, plus extra duty allowance of 3 per cent. of salary, for 45-hour week. Applicants must have had experience in taking off on good permanent buildings. Pre-war experience an advantage.

Applicants should be Fellows or Associates of Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, or have passed a recognized Final examination, with Quantities as typical subject. In both posts knowledge of stonework an advantage.

Starting pay will be assessed according to age, qualifications and experience. Although the above are not established posts, the duration will be not less than five years.

Applications should be addressed to Appointment Officer, Imperial War Graves Commission, Woodburn House, Woodburn Green, High Wycombe, Bucks. 972

DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL.
COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT.
APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR PLANNING ASSISTANT.

Applications are invited for the appointment of Senior Planning Assistant in the South-Western Divisional Planning Office at Plymouth. The person appointed will be required to assist in the preparation and administration of the Development Plan, and to act as Deputy to the Divisional Planning Officer. Candidates must, therefore, have had a wide experience of planning, and preference will be given to those possessing A.M.T.P.I. and/or other recognized qualifications. Salary in accordance with A.P.T., Grade IV or V of the National Joint Council's Scales (£480-£570).

Applicants will be required to provide a car, for the use of which allowances will be paid in accordance with the National Joint Council's Scale.

The appointment will be subject to the National Joint Council's Conditions of Service, to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, the passing of a medical examination, and to one month's notice on either side.

Canvassing, directly or indirectly, is prohibited, and candidates must state if they are related to any member or senior officer of the Council.

Applications, giving full details of training, qualifications, and experience, together with the names of three persons to whom reference may be made, must be forwarded to the Director of Planning, County Planning Office, Bradninch Hall, Castle Street, Exeter, so as to reach him not later than Saturday, 9th July, 1949. Preference will be given to Registered Disabled Persons, other things being equal.

H. A. Davis,

Clerk of the Council.

The Castle, Exeter.

15th June, 1949.

1392

EAST ANGLIAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL
BOARD.

Applications are invited for the appointment of ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT (salary Grade VIII, A.P.T. Division, £685-£25-£760) on the Board's Headquarters Staff. Candidates should be Associate Members of the Royal Institute of British Architects, with good knowledge of construction and design and capable of carrying out large contracts.

The appointment will be subject to the National Health Service (Superannuation) Regulations, 1947.

Applications on forms to be obtained from the undersigned, should be completed and returned not later than 11th July, 1949.

K. V. F. MORTON,

Secretary.

117, Chesterton Road, Cambridge.

1293

BOROUGH OF KETERING.
APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.

Applications are invited for the appointment of a CHIEF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT in the Borough Surveyor's Department of the Borough of Kettering, at a salary within Grade VII of the A.P.T. Division of the National Scale of Salaries (£635 per annum, rising by annual increments of £25 to £710 per annum).

Applicants must be Registered Architects, and preference will be given to persons who are Associates of the Royal Institute of British Architects. Applicants must have had experience of local authority housing schemes.

The appointment will be subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and to the provisions of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service, and the successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination.

Applications, stating age, qualifications, present and previous appointments and experience, together with the names of three referees, must be delivered to the undersigned not later than 20th July, 1949.

D. DUNSFORD PRICE,

Town Clerk.

Town Clerk's Office, High Street, Kettering.

24th June, 1949.

1413

COUNTY BOROUGH OF WOLVERHAMPTON.
TOWN PLANNING STAFF.

Applications are invited for the appointment of TWO PLANNING ASSISTANTS, Grade A.P.T., III (£450 to £495 per annum), in the department of the Borough Engineer.

Applicants should have had good general planning experience, and preference will be given to candidates holding an appropriate qualification. The appointment will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, to the passing of the necessary medical examination, and to one month's notice on either side.

The Council cannot undertake to provide housing accommodation, but successful applicants may, if married, qualify for a subsistence allowance until they are able to find accommodation.

Application, with not more than three testimonials or names for reference, should reach the undersigned in suitably endorsed envelopes not later than Saturday, the 16th July, 1949.

J. BROCK ALLON,

Town Hall, Wolverhampton.

Town Clerk.

16th June, 1949.

1372

EAST GRINSTEAD URBAN DISTRICT
COUNCIL.

SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

Applications are invited for the appointment of a SENIOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANT (Housing Section) in the Engineer and Surveyor's Department, the commencing salary to be fixed at a point on the scales of Grades A.P.T., II and III, according to the qualifications and experience of the person appointed. Applicants must possess experience in the work connected with housing schemes, including the preparation of surveys, plans and estimates.

The successful candidate will be required to pass satisfactorily a medical examination, and to contribute under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937. The appointment will be subject to termination by one month's notice in writing on either side.

Applications, stating age, qualifications, training and experience, accompanied by copies of three recent testimonials, should be received by me the undersigned not later than noon on Monday, the 11th July, 1949, and endorsed "Senior Technical Assistant (Housing)." Applicants must state whether they are related to any member or senior officer of the Council. Canvassing, directly or indirectly, will disqualify.

L. R. BENNETT,

Clerk of the Council.

Council Offices, East Court, East Grinstead.

1371

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL.

ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT.

APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS.

Applications are invited for the appointment of Architectural Assistants, Grade A.P.T., VIII (salary £685-£25-£760), in accordance with the National Joint Council's Scheme of Conditions of Service.

The persons appointed will be required to pass a medical examination, and the appointments are subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and to the regulations of the County Council relating to sickness for the time being in force.

Canvassing will disqualify, and a candidate who is related to a member or a senior officer of the Council must disclose this fact in his application.

Applications, giving particulars of age, experience and qualifications, previous and present appointments, etc., and giving names of three persons to whom reference can be made, should be forwarded to Mr. G. R. Clayton, F.R.I.B.A., County Architect, Court Lane, Durham, not later than 8th July, 1949.

J. K. HOPE,

Clerk of the County Council.

Shire Hall, Durham.

21st June, 1949.

1395

IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION
invite applications to fill vacancies in their London and Woodburn Green offices in the following grades:—

ARCHITECTURAL DRAWING OFFICE STAFF.
LEADING ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS.

Candidates should have several years' experience in an Architect's office, preferably have reached at least Intermediate R.I.B.A. or equivalent standard, and be capable of supervising the work of a small team of draughtsmen. Salary within scale £500-£20-£625 per annum (men), £425-£15-£500 per annum (women) in London, slightly less at Woodburn Green.

ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS.
Candidates should be skilled draughtsmen, capable of preparing half-inch scale working drawings and full size details from the Architect's designs. Salary within scale £300-£20-£325 per annum (men), £200-£15-£250 per annum (women) in London, entry at £200 per annum at age 21 (less below that age), and up to £440 per annum (men), £405 per annum (women) at age 28 or over, slightly less at Woodburn Green.

DRAWING OFFICE ASSISTANT (London only).
Candidates should be 18 years of age or over, some previous experience desirable. Salary within scale £175-£10-£250 per annum, entry at £175 per annum at age 18 and up to £225 per annum at age 25. (Scale for women may be extended by annual increments of £10 to £300).

Applications should be addressed to Appointment Officer, Imperial War Graves Commission, Woodburn House, Woodburn Green, High Wycombe, Bucks. 1386

COUNTY COUNCIL OF INVERNESS.

Applications are invited for the following appointments in the Town Planning Section of the County Architect's Department:—

(a) SENIOR PLANNING ASSISTANT. Salary A.P.T., (2) V, £520 by £15 to £570 per annum. Candidates should possess a recognized architectural qualification, and have had experience in the office of a local planning authority.

(b) TWO JUNIOR ASSISTANTS (SURVEYING). Salary A.P.T., (1) B, £360 by £15 to £405 per annum. Candidates should have had training in a planning, architectural, surveying or engineering office.

The appointments will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Act, 1937, and the successful candidates will be required to pass a medical examination.

Applications, stating age, qualifications, experience, and present position, accompanied by copies of not more than three recent testimonials, should be submitted to the undersigned within ten days of publication of this advertisement.

R. WALLACE,

County Clerk.

County Buildings, Inverness.

1399

COUNTY BOROUGH OF NORTHAMPTON.
DEPARTMENT OF BOROUGH ARCHITECT
AND TOWN PLANNING OFFICER.

APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING ASSISTANT
(GRADE I), MISCELLANEOUS DIVISION
(£315-£360).

Applications for the above appointment, stating age, qualifications, experience, past and present appointments and salary, whether related to any member or senior officer of the Council, and giving the names of two persons to whom reference may be made, should be delivered to J. L. Womersley, A.R.I.B.A., A.M.T.P.L., Borough Architect and Town Planning Officer, not later than 13th July, 1949.

Applicants should be good draughtsmen, able to read maps and plans accurately, and interested in the work of presenting town planning survey and proposals in map form. The successful applicant will have every opportunity of gaining experience over the full range of the work of a Planning Department.

C. E. VIVIAN ROWE,

Town Clerk.

Guildhall, Northampton.

1398

NEW TOWNS ACT, 1946.

BASILDON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
invites applications for the following planning appointments on the staff of the Architect Planner:—

(1) SENIOR ARCHITECT PLANNER. Salary range of £1,000-£1,200 p.a.

(2) ARCHITECT PLANNER. Salary range of £750-£1,000 p.a.

(3) ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. Salary range of £650-£750 p.a.

(4) JUNIOR ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. Salary range of £300-£400 p.a.

Appointments, which will be superannuable, will be made within the above salary ranges, according to age and experience. The above staff will be required for the preparation of the Master Plan and its subsequent development. Applicants for posts (1) to (3) must be Members of the R.I.B.A. and possess recognized town planning qualifications.

Applicants for post (4) should have passed the Intermediate Examination of the R.I.B.A. The officers appointed may be required to work in London for some time.

Applications, stating age, training, experience, present post and salary, and the names of two referees, should be sent to the General Manager, Basildon Development Corporation, 11, Grosvenor Square, London, W.1, by 13th July, 1949.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF CROYDON.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT.

SENIOR ASSISTANT ARCHITECT.

Applications are invited for this appointment from suitably qualified candidates who have had architectural experience (particularly housing) with a local authority, and have held an appointment as Group Leader.

Salary, Grade A.P.T., VII, £665 per annum, rising to £740 per annum, inclusive of London weighting of £30 per annum. The appointment is pensionable, subject to a medical examination.

The Council will offer housing accommodation if necessary.

Form of application may be obtained from the Borough Engineer, Town Hall, Croydon, and should be returned to him within 14 days from the date this advertisement is published.

Canvassing will disqualify.

E. TABERNER,

Town Clerk.

21st June, 1949.

1409

AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY COLLEGE
(UNIVERSITY OF NEW ZEALAND).

Applications are invited for the following positions in the School of Architecture:—

SENIOR LECTURER IN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN.

Salary £775-£850 per annum (N.Z.).

LECTURER IN ARCHITECTURE.

Salary £625-£725 per annum (N.Z.).

TEMPORARY LECTURERS (TWO) IN ARCHITECTURE.

Salary £625 per annum (N.Z.).

Further particulars and information as to the method of application may be obtained from the Secretary, Association of Universities of the British Commonwealth, 5, Gordon Square, London, W.C.1. The closing date for the receipt of applications is 31st August, 1949.

1390

CITY OF SALFORD.

Applications are invited for the following appointments to the permanent staff in accordance with the Conditions of Service of the National Joint Council:—

(a) SENIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT. Salary A.P.T., Grade VI, £595-£660.

(b) ENGINEERING ASSISTANT. Salary A.P.T., Grade V, £520-£570.

(c) QUANTITY SURVEYORS' ASSISTANT. Salary A.P.T., Grade I, £390-£435.

Candidates for appointment (a) should be Associates of the Royal Institution of British Architects or hold an equivalent qualification, and should possess a sound experience in design and construction and also be experienced in the management of building contracts. For appointment (b) candidates should be Associate Members of the Institution of Civil Engineers and/or possess the Testamur of the Institute of Municipal Engineers; and for appointment (c) should have had experience in working up Bills of Quantities. The appointments will be subject to:—

(a) the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937;

(b) the passing of a medical examination;

(c) the Standing Orders of the Council.

Applications, stating age, qualifications and experience, together with particulars of past and present employment—accompanied by copies of two recent testimonials—should be forwarded in envelopes endorsed clearly as to the appointment for which application is submitted, addressed to the City Engineer, Town Hall, Salford, 3, Lancs, so as to be received not later than Friday, 22nd July, 1949.

Applicants must disclose, in writing, whether or not they are related to any member of the Council or an officer of the Authority.

H. H. TOMSON,
Town Clerk.
1432

CITY OF WAKEFIELD. CITY ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT. TOWN PLANNING ASSISTANT.

Applications are invited for the appointment of a Town Planning Assistant, Grade IV (£480-£525). Applicants should be A.M.T.P.I. The appointment will be subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and to the passing of a medical examination.

Candidates must state in writing whether to their knowledge they are related to any member or senior official of the Corporation. Canvassing will be a disqualification.

Applications, endorsed "Town Planning Assistant," stating age, qualifications, present and previous appointments and experience, should be sent, together with copies of two testimonials, to the undersigned not later than Saturday, the 16th July, 1949.

W. S. DES FORGES,
Town Clerk.
1431

CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.

Applications from qualified candidates are invited for the following post:—
STRUCTURAL DRAUGHTSMAN required by the Government of Kenya for four years in first instance. Commencing salary according to experience in the scale £670 a year, rising to £840 a year. Free passages. Outfit allowance £30. Separation allowance. Gratuity. Liberal leave on full salary. Candidates, not over 40, should have had experience of commercial reinforced concrete design and if possible experience of steelwork design as applied to buildings. Apply at once by letter, stating age, whether married or single, and full particulars of qualifications and experience, and mentioning this paper to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, 4, Millbank, London, S.W.1, quoting M/N/24333/3D on both letter and envelope. 1416

HIS MAJESTY'S COLONIAL SERVICE
CHIEF ASSISTANT PLANNING OFFICER required by the Government of the Gold Coast. The appointment is on contract for two tours in the first instance, with the prospect of transfer to the permanent and pensionable establishment. Salary (inclusive of expatriation pay) £1,500 per annum. Outfit allowance of £60 on first appointment. Partly furnished Government quarters are provided, if available, at a rental of £90 per annum, and income tax is payable at low West African rates only. The selected officer will be required to assist the Secretary and Executive Officer of the Town and Country Planning Board. The programme of the Board envisages the preparation of supplementary and final schemes for Accra, Kumasi, Sekondi, Takoradi, Cape Coast, Tarkwa, and several smaller towns. Candidates must possess the qualifications of A.M.T.P.I. and A.R.I.C.S. and have good experience in the preparation of Town Planning Schemes. Preference will be given to candidates between the ages of 35 and 45.

The terms of service include free first-class passages once each way each tour for the officer and, if married, for his wife, free medical attention and home leave after tours of 18 to 24 months at the rate of 7 days for each month of resident service. A gratuity is payable on satisfactory completion of the period of contract, if the officer is not selected for transfer to the permanent and pensionable establishment.

Applicants should write at once to the Director of Recruitment (Colonial Service), Colonial Office, Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London, S.W.1, stating age, professional qualifications and experience, and quoting reference No. 27321/11. 1422

METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF WANDSWORTH. ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.

Applications are invited for the established appointment of Architectural Assistant, in the Borough Architect's Department, at a salary in accordance with Grade A.P.T., VII (£665-£740 per annum inclusive).

Candidates should be fully experienced in the design and planning of housing estates, particularly multi-storey blocks of flats and/or other framed buildings, and in supervising their erection. Preference will be given to Associates of the R.I.B.A.

Forms of application may be obtained from the Borough Architect, and must be received by the undersigned not later than the first post on Friday, 8th July, 1949.

R. H. JERMAN,
Town Clerk.
Municipal Buildings, Wandsworth, S.W.18. 1388

NATIONAL COAL BOARD, WEST MIDLANDS DIVISION.

Applications are invited for the appointments of ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS, Grade I, in the Board's Architectural Service, with Headquarters at Himley Hall, near Dudley, Worcs.

Salary £410-£290-£250, according to qualifications and experience.

Applicants should be able to prepare sketch plans and working drawings from rough sketches, and have a good knowledge of construction. Preference will be given to applicants who have passed the Intermediate Examination of the R.I.B.A.

Posts are eligible for the Board's Superannuation Scheme.

Applications, giving age, education, qualifications and experience, with dates in chronological order, should be made as soon as possible to:—Establishment Officer, National Coal Board, West Midlands Division, Himley Hall, Dudley, Worcs. Envelope should be marked "A.S.I." 1410

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL. COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

Applications are invited for the following appointments in the Headquarters' Office of the County Planning Department, County Offices, Preston:—

(a) ASSISTANT COUNTY PLANNING OFFICER (ARCHITECTURE).

The commencing salary will be within the range of £1,200-£75-£1,500 per annum, according to qualifications and experience.

Candidates must possess a Degree or Diploma in Architecture, or have passed the final examination of the Royal Institute of British Architects. Membership of the Town Planning Institute would be an advantage.

It is essential that candidates should have had extensive experience in the detailed planning of residential, industrial and central areas. The successful applicant will also be responsible for the work of the Estate Development Team established by the County Council to carry out, in co-operation with County District Councils, comprehensive schemes for the accommodation of overspill populations from adjacent urban areas by the development of existing townships. Accordingly, practical experience in the development of housing and industrial estates would be an advantage.

(b) DEPUTY ASSISTANT PLANNING OFFICER (URBAN), A.P.T., Grade IX.

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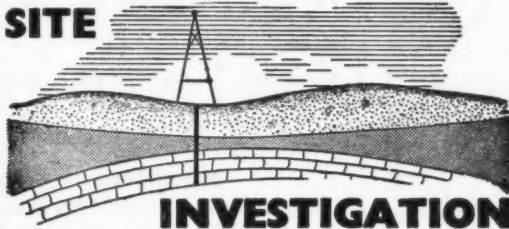
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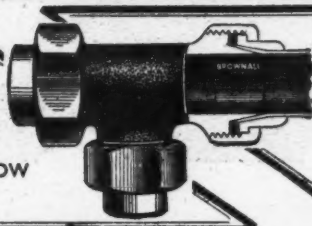
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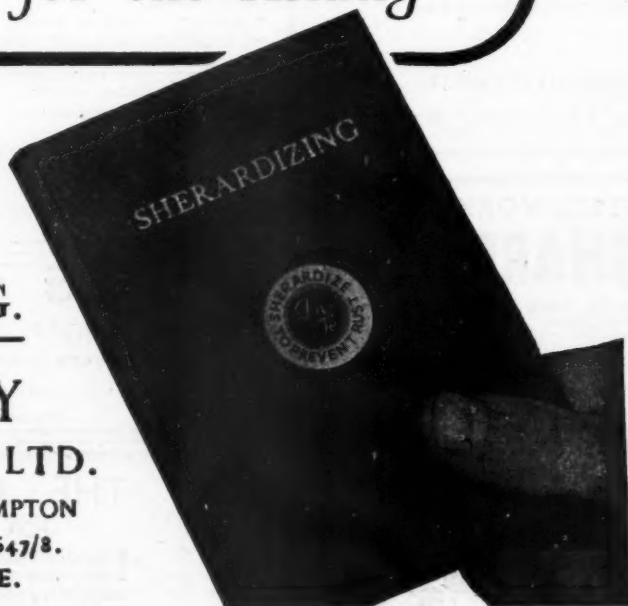
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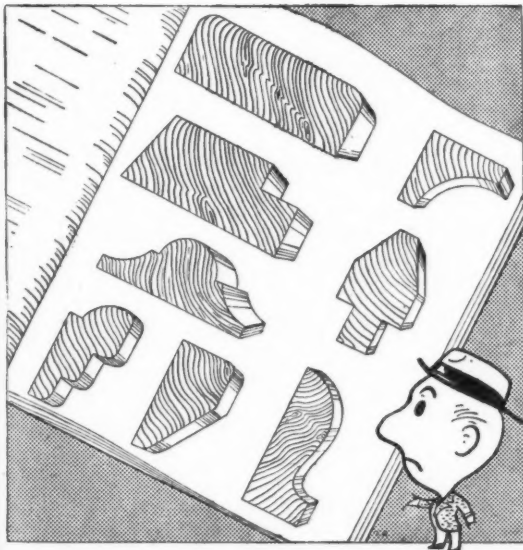
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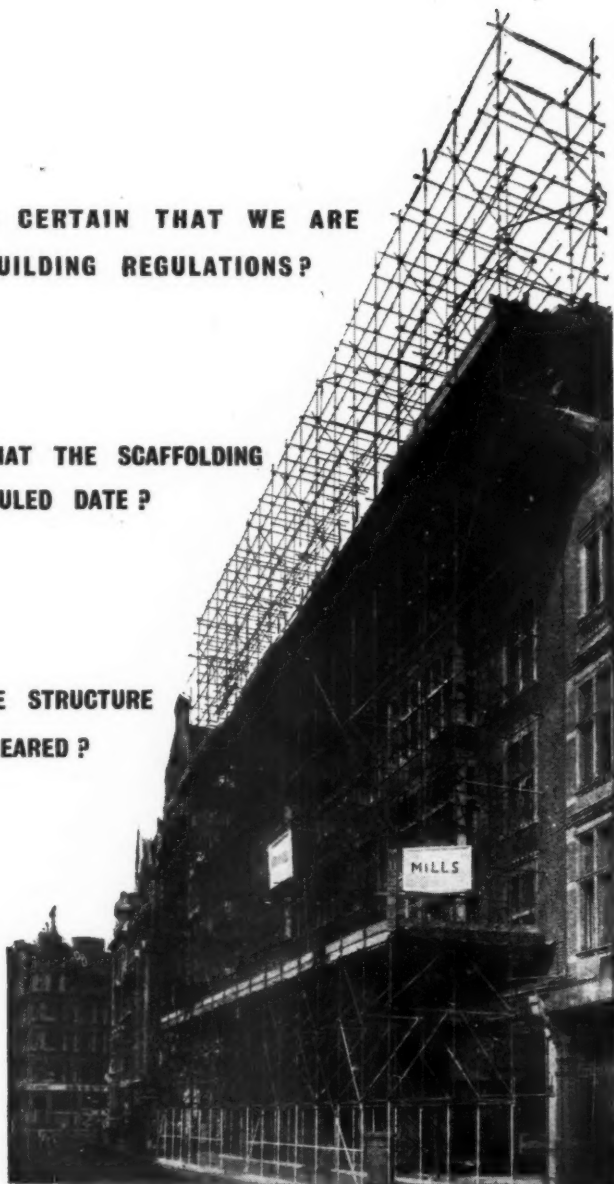
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