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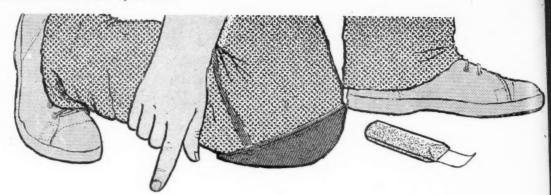
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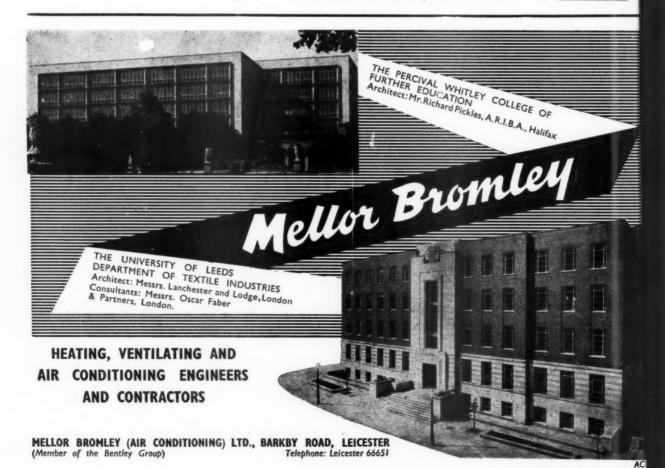
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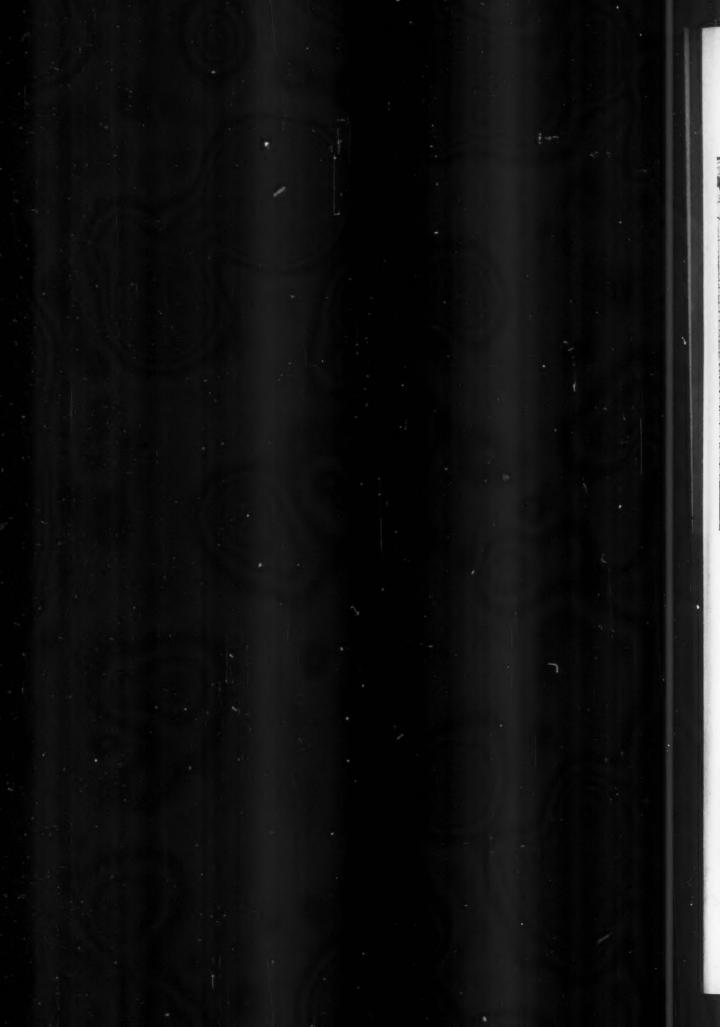
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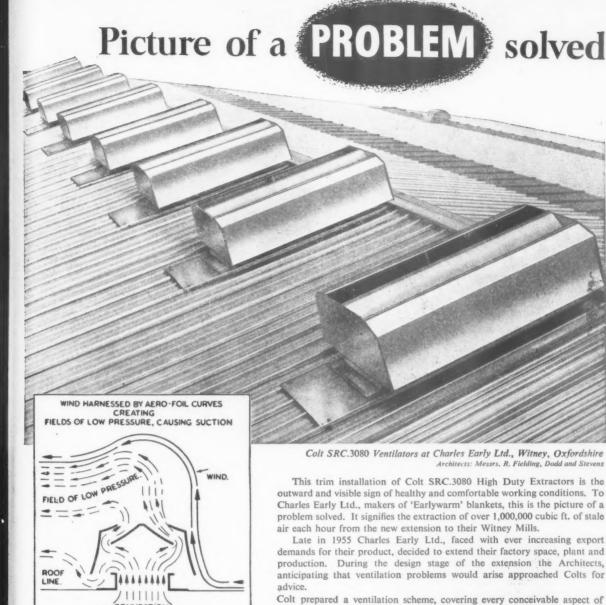
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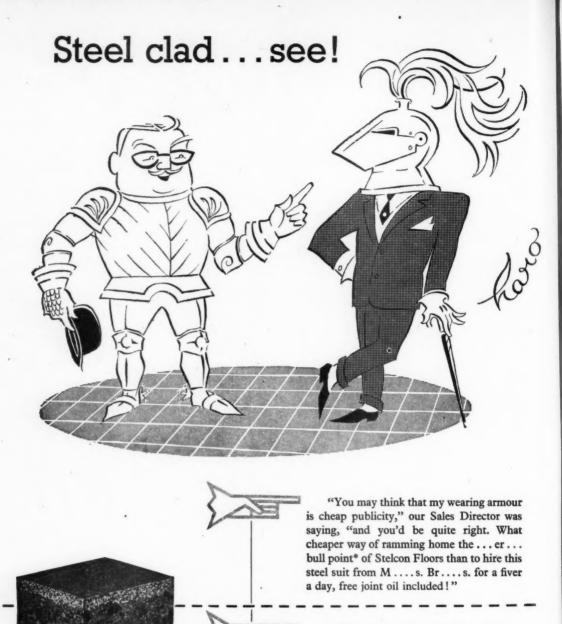
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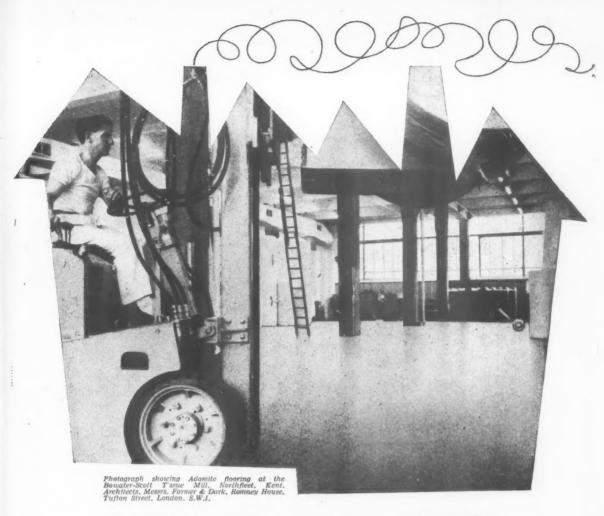


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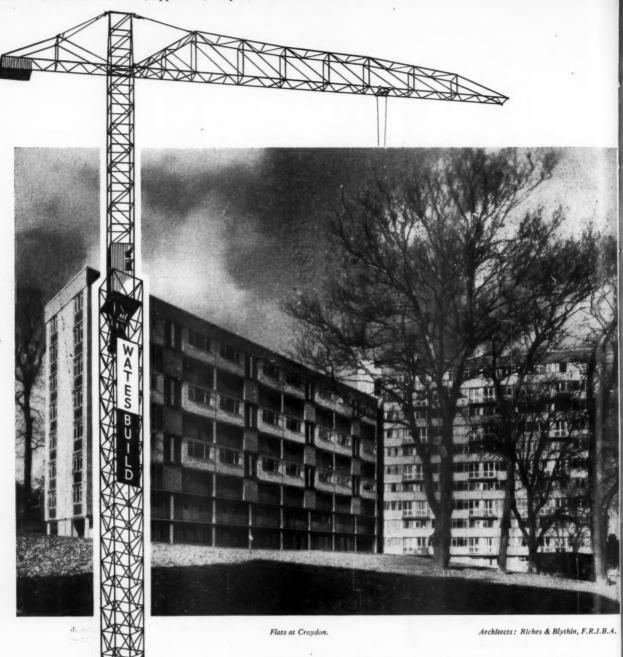
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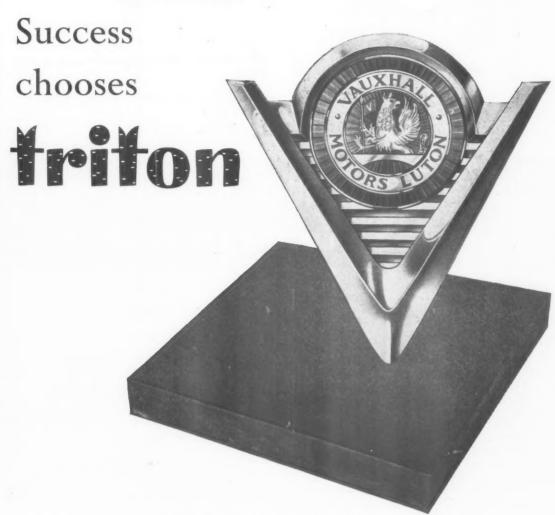
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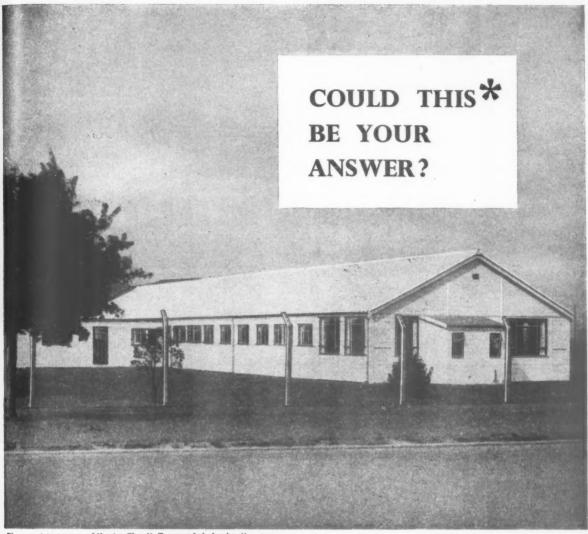
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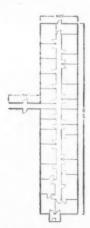
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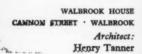
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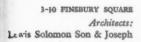
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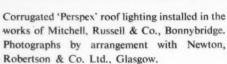
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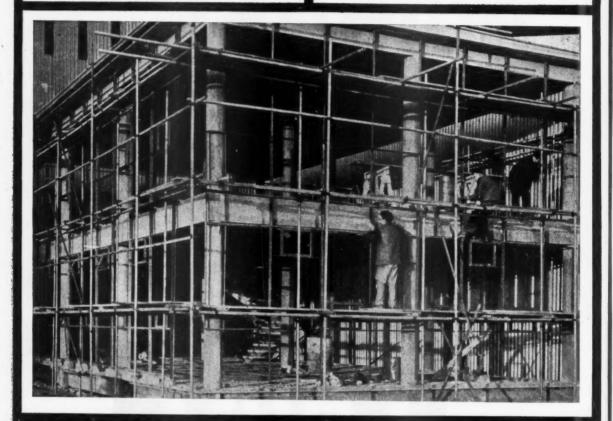
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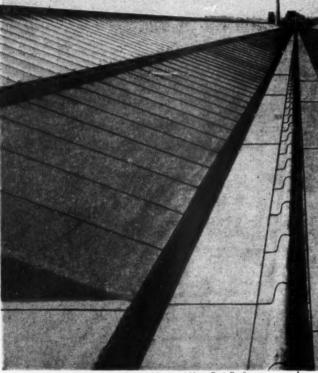
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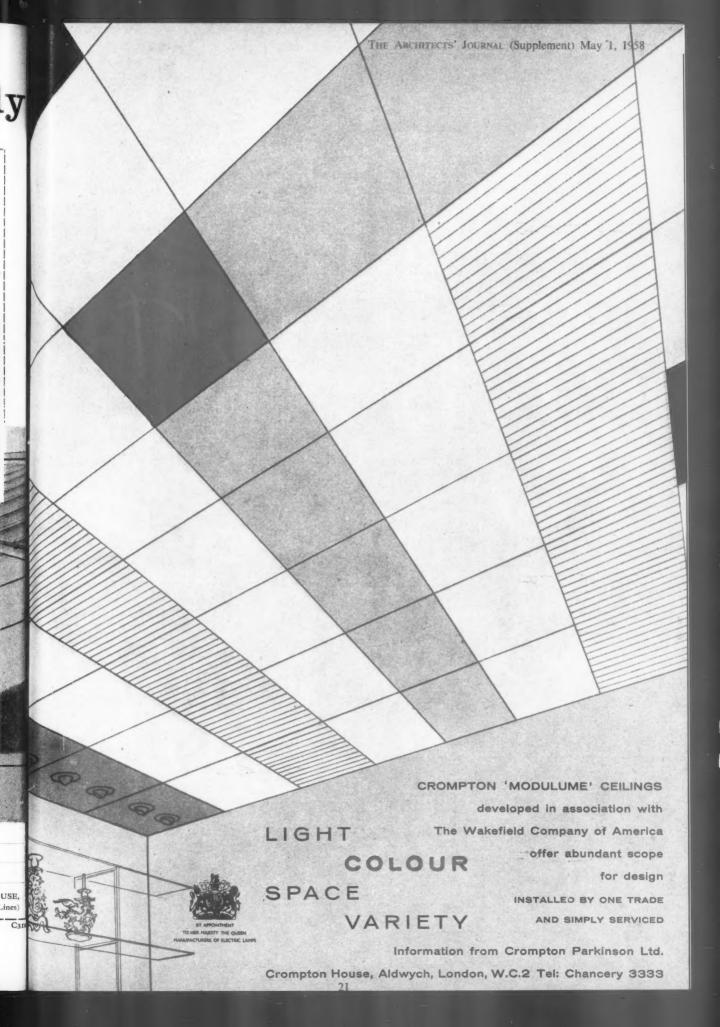


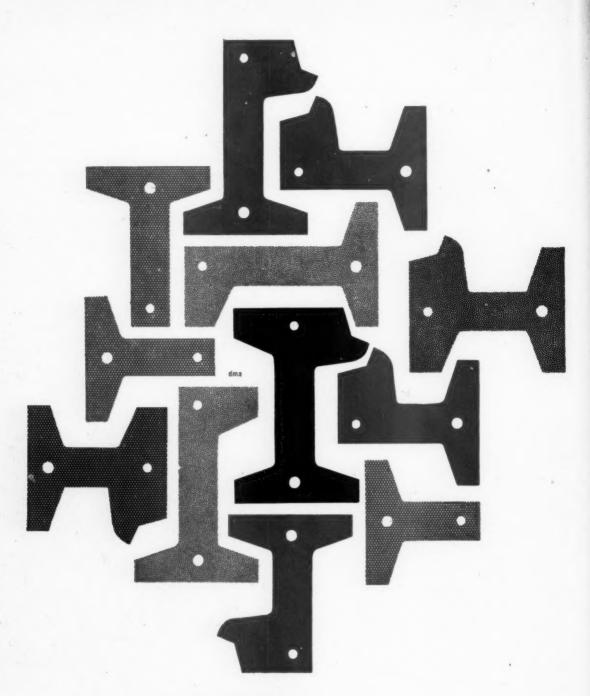
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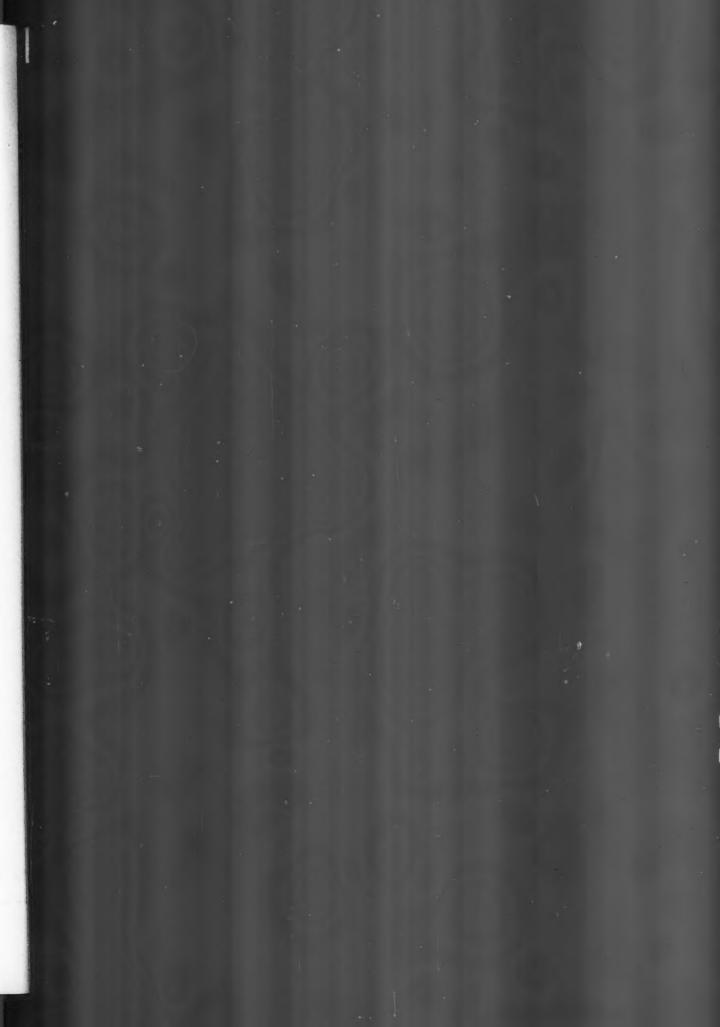


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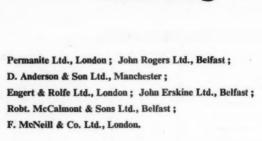
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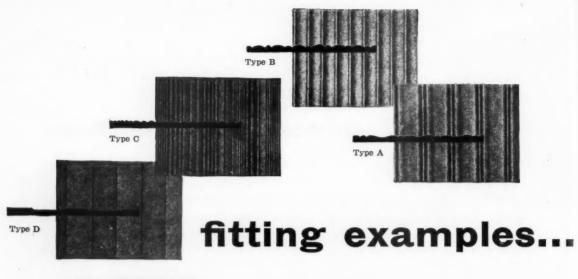
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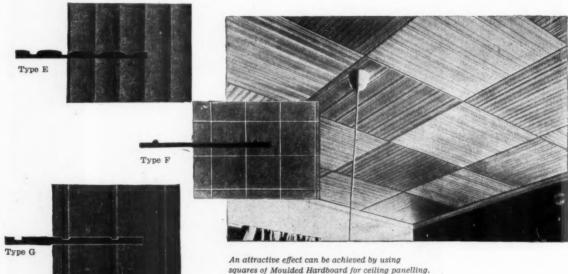




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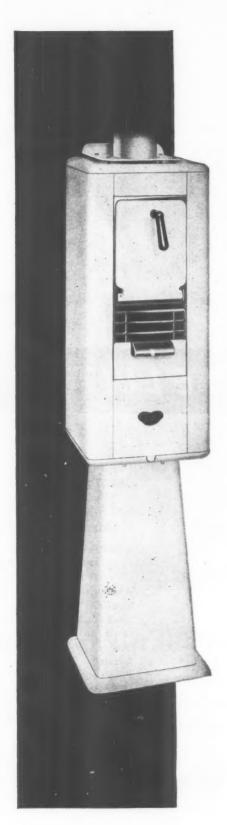
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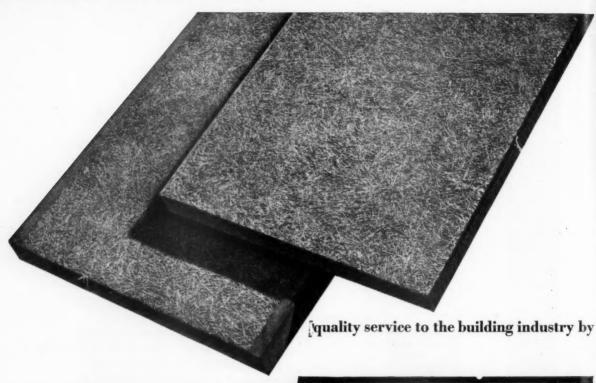
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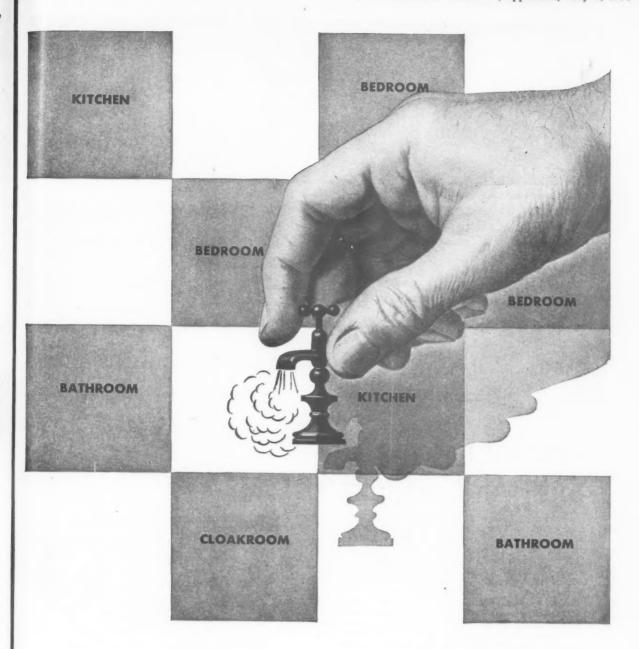
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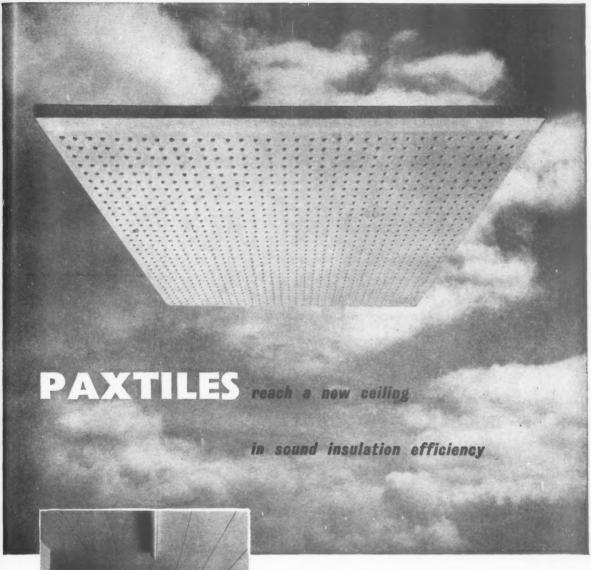


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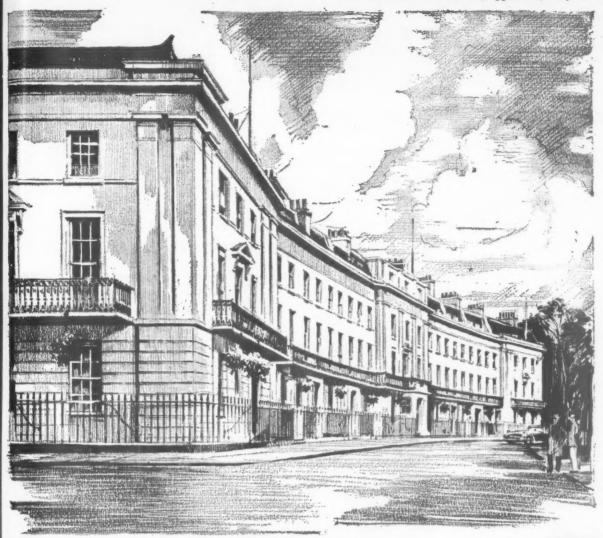
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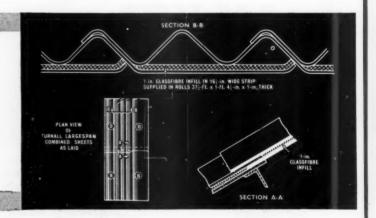


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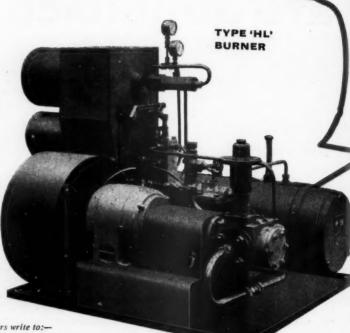
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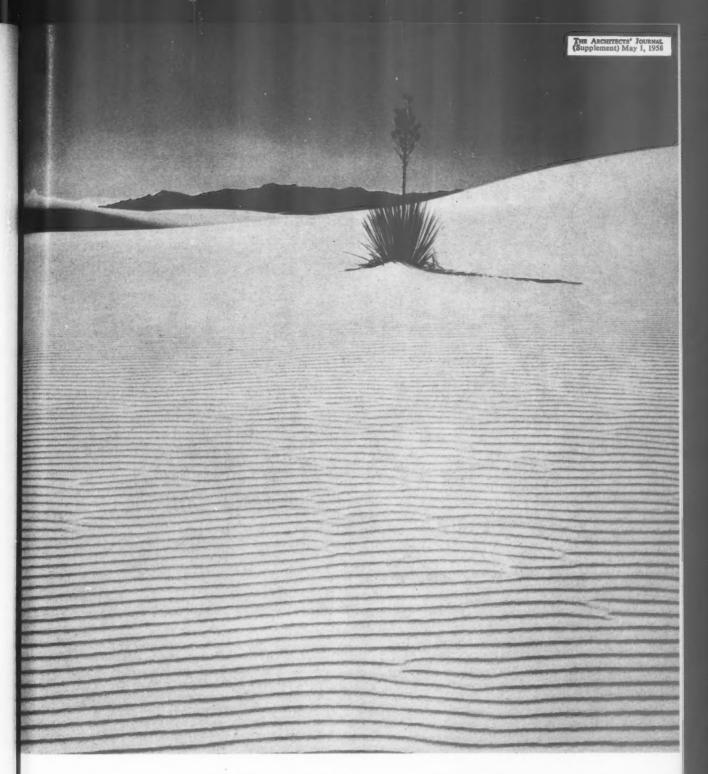
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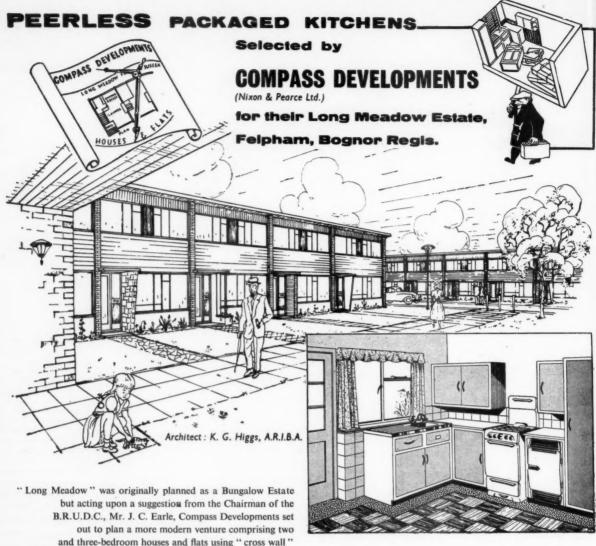
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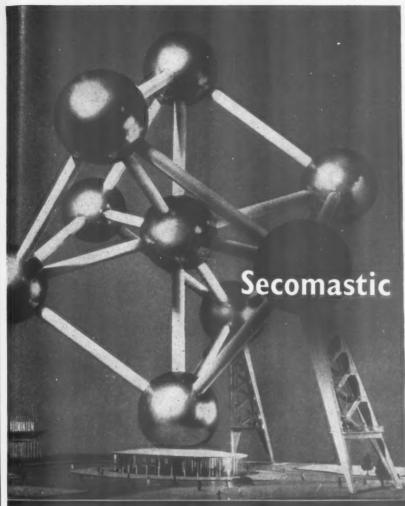


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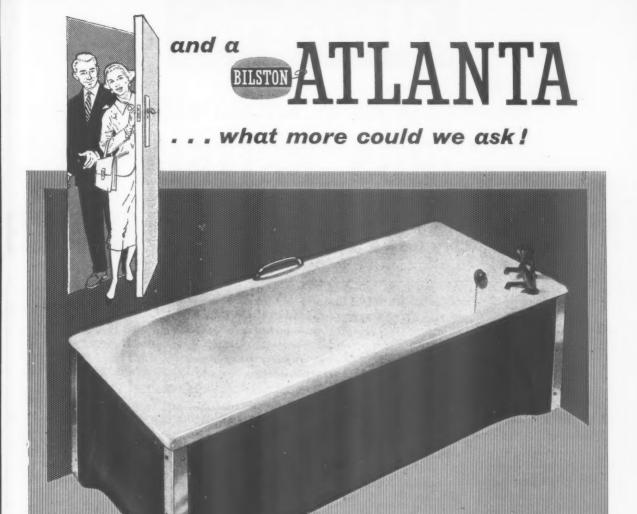
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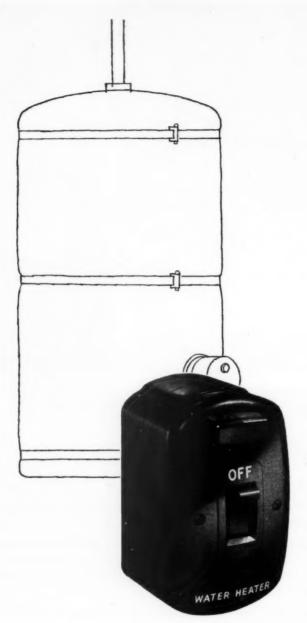
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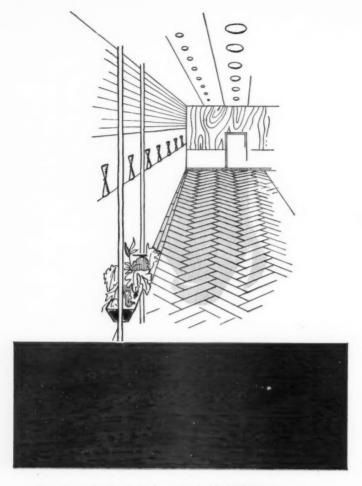




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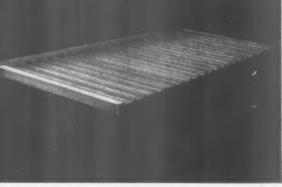
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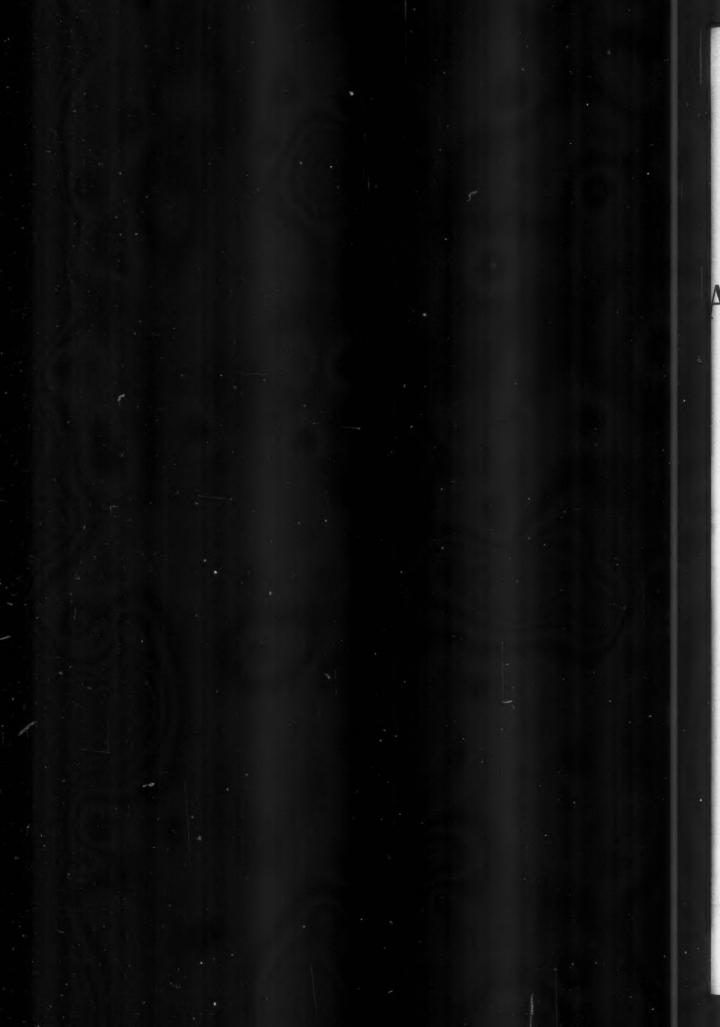
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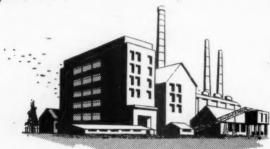
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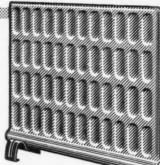
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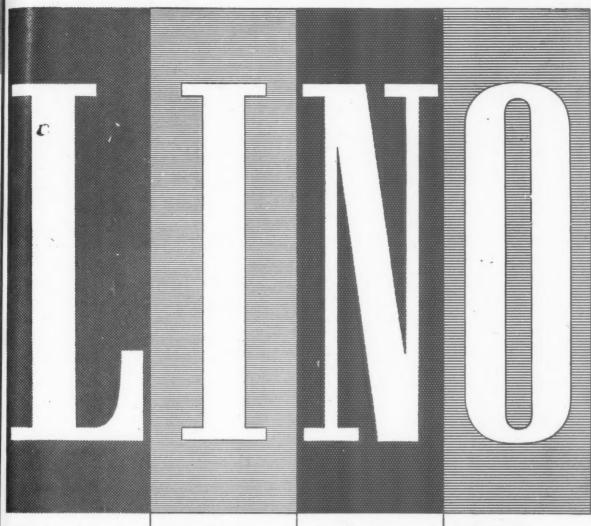


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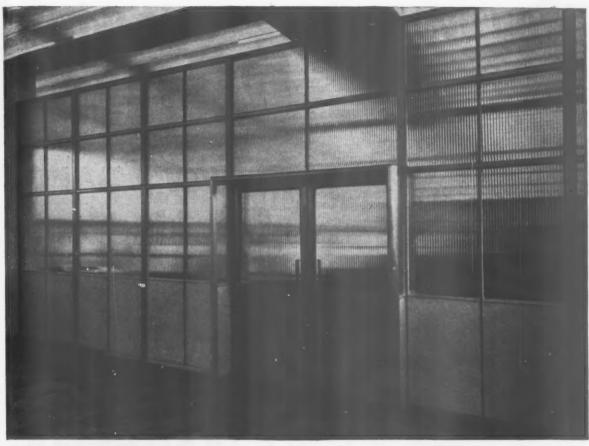
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NOT QUITE ARCHITECTURE

WHICH WILL CONSUME THE CONSUMER?

Some 75,000 of us have, over the past six months, become wiser and happier shoppers. No longer do we assume that the dearest article in its range must be the best and peevishly buy the cheapest. When we have indigestion we cheerfully drink bicarbonate of soda from the kitchen cupboard, when we have headaches we take the commonest of aspirins. Our glare glasses and night-driving glasses have gone into the dressing-up box, and will appear from time to time on spies, detectives and comic professors. And this notable increase in human wisdom and happiness is all due to the work of our two Consumer Research organizations, the semi-official Consumer Advisory Council, attached to the British Standards Institution, and the utterly independent Association for Consumer Research.

During its first six months, the latter has pressed forward and now has twice as many members as the older set-up: n membership of 50,000 was announced at a Press conference recently, called to celebrate the occasion, to launch the third quarterly issue of its journal, "Which?", and to announce that there is to be no amalgamation between the two bodies.

Negotiations for amalgamation, which have been going on for some time, have broken down, chairman Michael Young told us, on the issue of independence. CR insists that it must remain entirely independent of "manufacturers, retailers, Government and advertising," while CAC "values highly the aid it receives from retailers and other businessmen." With Miss Elizabeth Gundry of CAC an imposing figure in the front row of his Press conference, Mr. Young made his point with exquisite discretion, but he couldn't make his declaration of independence without to some degree implying that others value independence less. Inevitably Miss Gundry then had to explain that CAC is just as independent as CR and pointed to her "Shopper's Guide" as evidence that she pulls no punches. Mr. Young replied by



Ssh! No Talking In Church, Please!

The British Government Pavilion at Brussels is certainly achieving something that no other pavilion has done, though whether that's a good thing or not is a matter of opinion. But foreign visitors are said to be full of praise for our "church," as some of them call the Hall of Tradition. It is the only pavilion where visitors can be seen taking off their hats as they come in, and stepping lightly, reverently, almost silently over the deep carpet, as they make their way up the nave in the dim, purple light, past the displays of regalia and traditional emblems to the enlarged colour transparency of Annigoni's portrait of the Queen. What appears in the photograph to be an altar is in fact an

illuminated plaque stating that Her Majesty is, by the Grace of God, Queen, Head of the Commonwealth and so forth. The carpet and the fabric draping the stage on the left (which shows 16 figures in costume, ranging from the Speaker and an Oxford Doctor of Divinity to the Queen's Jockey and Barge Master) are both designed by James Gardner. The emblems on the right include such curios as a Judge's wig of state, the Lord Chancellor's purse, and the silver bell of the TUC, as well as replicas of the regalia, and jewels of the Order of the Garter. J. M. Richards's criticism of the British Pavilions appears on page 644 and further illustrations are printed on pages 649-656.

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kettle havin large stock pass pointing out that in an investigation of hire ourchase charges in the latest "Which?". the findings showed that department stores have one of the best records. Now, if some leading department store director had been on the board of CR, even in a "personal capacity," said Mr. Young gently, this finding might have become just faintly suspect. Miss Gundry's strongest card, in fact, is not utter independence, but the practical advantage of having all the testing experts and apparatus of the BSI at her beck and call, whereas CR is having to build up its own testing apparatus from scratch. Consamers, however, can only benefit from the work of both organizations, and perhaps also from any rivalry that exists between them; for the existence of CR can only edcourage CAC never to be tempted to pull a punch, and the high standard of testing by CAC must compel CR to be meticulous in its testing and reporting.

The rival journals "Shopper's Guide" and "Which?" are astonishingly different in flavour. The first has a more "womanly" flavour about it, its style resembling the strictly sensible corners of women's magazines. It carries letters and chatty items from various parts of the country, and its small format makes it easy to carry about in a handbag. "Which?", by contrast, is sexless, humourless, impersonal, and turns all these negatives into a positive virtue. Its latest issue carries an admirable piece of watchdoggery on hire purchase charges, in which 400 examples of h.p. and credit sale terms have been explored, covering cars, bicycles, furniture and radio and electrical equipment, and a startling diversity of charges dis-

Most people don't realize when they start to hire purchase some longed-for object that the hire purchase charge is not the same as the yearly interest rate. For instance a hire purchase charge of 5 per cent is equivalent of an interest charge of 7½ per cent p.a. (the normal rate for furniture), and the h.p. charge of 22½ per cent which is normal for bicycles represents an interest charge of nearly 40 per cent p.a. "Which?" found one shop, however, charging 70 per cent interest on an electric fire and that you could buy a bicycle from Hammersmith Co-op for only 5 per cent h.p. charge. To help its members with these complex financial transactions in future, CR has now designed an h.p. "ready reckoner," consisting of two discs, joined in the centre, and with windows through which the answers can be read off. which it hopes to sell at 1s. 6d. or less, according to the number of orders received. Service to members . . . but the service of both these organizations to non-members is very much more important, in that their investigations and findings, now widely publicized by the daily press, are already making manufacturers look to their designs and their prices. Two makers of electric kettles criticized by CR have responded by having their models redesigned, and one large chain store has decided not to stock makes of electric fires which did not pass all CAC's safety tests. A good start. SHEILA LYND.

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The Editors

PERCEPTIVE LOYALTY WANTED AT THE AGM

THE annual report of the RIBA will be more closely studied this year than usual by members anxious to discover more about the Institute's financial embarrassment. In fact, very little extra information is available. but the Finance and House Committee would seem to be now determined to go about things in a more business-like way. Budget surveys are to be made annually for three years ahead and a Finance Officer is to be appointed. The most remarkable feature of the annual report, however, is the brief summary of the Council's current activities, printed over the name of the President, on the first page of the report. This shows just what sterling and valuable work is being, and has been, undertaken by the Council and its committees recently. Education, fees, appointments, publicity, byelaws, relationships with the industry and so forth, all are being studied and worked on. This does not mean that all now is well with the RIBA, and that the only thing wrong was that it had become out of touch with the membership and forgotten to tell members what it was doing. It means that while some members are struggling hard to put things right, the constitution of the council is such that it is weighted towards undue caution and conservatism, and is making progress only through the indefatigable efforts of a few and the stimuli of angry AGMs. More radical changes are necessary in the RIBA's constitution. The letter from Cleeve Barr and Anthony Cox, printed on page 642, undoubtedly reflects how many members must feel towards the RIBA. There should be strong criticism of the RIBA Council at this year's AGM, but that can do no harm if there is goodwill on both sides. There is vague talk heard nowadays of architects being so dissatisfied with the RIBA that they are leaving it. Such action would be disastrous. What the profession needs is not more splinter groups, but united action. The forerunner of that is a common policy, and the way to achieve one is by the wide discussion of, and understanding of, professional problems. This year's AGM could be a further step towards attaining such a policy.

A DECISIVE STEP

After two years of discussion, negotiation and argument the RIBA has now taken the decisive step. The Local Government Architects' Society is to be launched within the next few weeks with the overwhelming support of architects in local government offices. On its success depend the status and the salaries of all salaried architects. Its failure would be a setback to the whole profession.

No effort should now be spared to ensure the success of the inaugural meeting, and the formation of the Society upon secure foundations.



NOT A BRICK DROPPED

Will the brick industry be sized out of the market if we use the 4-in. module? You couldn't have heard a brick drop the other day when Bruce Martin used skilful dialectic (at a Modular Society meeting) to allay the fears of the brick industry. His argument was something like this. The brick, taken by itself, is a hopeless case. But you never do take a brick by itself. Unlike the other components in a modular system, the separate brick does not have to gee with other, different components, but only with other bricks. Therefore the real component from the modular point of view is not the brick but "sections of brickwork"; and these are (or can be) modular without altering the brick size. Therefore the brick industry is already, in a real sense, in the 10 cm./4 in. system. And the industry has only to decide if it will, at its own convenience, rationalize sizes so that more (and smaller) brickwork dimensions will fit into the module grid.

As ASTRAGAL has always said, it's the way you look at a thing that matters.

THE OLD ADAM

Eighty-year-old L. Sylvester Sullivan has appeared quite frequently in the news lately, and is obviously an architect of spirit. His new Saddlers Hall,

in Cheapside, is in the Adam style because—he says—it is eminently suitable to the Saddlers Company, and is more graceful and delicate than Wren. When he told this to the Press, he added that he thought modern architecture was ugly to the point of being really hideous.

If by modern architecture Mr. Sullivan means the average city building, many of us would agree with him. And it is refreshing to find that we have progressed from Wren to Adam in so short a time. With such rapid progress we might—who knows?—get to Soane in a year of two.

Mr. Sullivan, to quote from the Press, "is not a tall man, but gains height from his upright bearing, and his greyblue eyes watch kindly from an unlined face." With disarming modesty he says of his building: "I can't judge it yet. I have been living with it too closely. When I come across it in seven or eight years' time I shall know." He is clearly after Mr. Wright's laurels.

MARLEY'S GUEST

An invited audience assembled last week in Marley's basement showroom in Tottenham Court Road, to hear an illustrated talk on "Tropical Architecture" by Professor Corfiato. ASTRAGAL enjoyed the coloured slides of the indigenous mud buildings of Northern Nigeria, with their bold surface reliefs, their simple shapes and their pinnacles rising from the four corners of the parapets.

No projecting eaves in these buildings of character—no brise-soleil . . . no louvred verandahs or walls peppered with agricultural drain pipes; in fact, none of the paraphernalia which, tacked on to a mediocre shed, might pass as a less distinguished tropical building.

In his brief, polished introduction, Dr. Koenigsberger explained that the Professor had built some forty buildings in the tropics; it was therefore disappointing that none of his work was shown. Most of the photographs of modern buildings were familiar, dull or frightful. From where he sat—admittedly a poor vantage point—ASTRAGAL gathered that the Professor did not advocate any variation in approach to tropical design whether the

building was to be in Ibadan or Singapore.

A lot is now known about tropical conditions and their implications, but where—apart from Corb—are the architects to give poetry to the data?

SOMERSET PENGUIN

There is now another volume in the "Buildings of England" series, this time on North Somerset and Bristol.* ASTRAGAL, who watches this literary marathon with the awe and anxiety he gives to friends who swim the channel. wonders anxiously if Nikolaus Pevsner can keep it up. So far he can, and does. His description of this classic territory is as good as you could imagine possible. But there is a new kind of footnote in brackets which bothers me. It always ends with "from information kindly supplied by " somebody or other. This is a very clever sort of note, because it gives great satisfaction to the informant, and insures the author against blame for mistakes.

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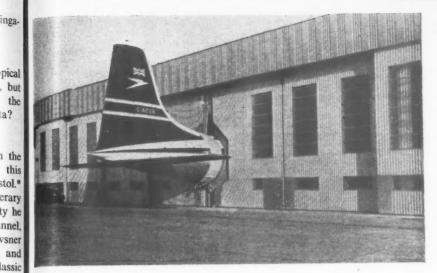
The part of England dealt with in this book has a grossly unfair share of the fruits of English architecture. And ASTRAGAL felt that Nikolaus Pevsner ought not to seem so distressed because he could not find anything good in the modern idiom. A county that found room for Bath and those 15th-century church towers is entitled to lie fallow for a few centuries.

UNDERGROUND PROFESSION

An interesting follow-up to John Smith's recent survey of architectural schools (in Architecture and Building) is provided by Design† magazine's study of the training of what old-fashioned types like myself still think of as "industrial designers" (they are now "product designers"). It is horrifying to find that 30 qualified designers graduating in one year would be a bumper crop. We complain about the high percentage of building done without benefit of architect, but goodness knows what the situation must be like in the consumer goods line.

Anyway, the demand for graduate designers outruns the supply, and it is

^{*}Penguin Books, 10s. 6d. †No. 112. April, 1958.



BOAC have recently completed a "wing hangar" at London airport for aircraft maintenance. Only the forward part of the aircraft, on which most of the maintenance is done, is enclosed in the hangar, and the doors can be shut while the tail protrudes. A fabric gasket doses the gap round the aircraft. A solution to a problem which ASTRAGAL, perversely, finds ludicrously amusing.

the normal situation at the Central School, for instance, for the entire finals year to be bespoke by employers before they have qualified.

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"Why do people still like Elvis Presley, in spite of the fact that Gropius thinks that beauty is good for you?" That sort of question was dealt with at the ICA's evening on "The Motivation of Culture." This subject sounded so grim that, but for a tip-off from the grape vine, ASTRAGAL would not have bothered with it. As it turned out, a heavy-weight subject was handled lightly, but without levity, by two asual young men armed with a battery of technical aids, including a taperecorder, an epidiascope and mysterious fresh pineapple, of which no use, ultimately, was made.

The two performers, Bill Cowburn and Cedric Price, are architects-"assistants," as chairman Lawrence Alloway said, "in the office of England's most famous woman architect." It was heartening to find that young architects are capable of thinking sanely, or even thinking at all, about subjects like this without taking up Angry Young Man poses, like their contemporaries in the other arts.

secretaries of provincial societies would do well to note their names. The presence of the pineapple cannot be guaranteed, but the Price-Cowburn line on such things as Span, G-Plan and the Modular Society is something worth hearing.

GOOD FORTUNE

ASTRAGAL recommends you to get hold of a copy of the April issue of It includes an Fortune magazine. article, accompanied by Gordon Cullen illustrations and some caption notes by Ian Nairn, on the townscape of San Francisco. Jane Jacobs, of Architectural Forum, who wrote this article on "Downtown is for People," says that "if the downtown of tomorrow looks like most of the redevelopment projects being planned for it today, it will end up a monumental bore." She goes on to analyse-in the Review mannerwhat makes some parts of cities and towns so satisfactory, and it is amusing to read what she has to say about the first of the "greenways" streets developed in Philadelphia. "Here are the trees, broad sidewalks, and planned vistas-and there are no strollers. Parallel, just a few hundred feet away, is a messy street bordered with stores and activities-jammed with people."

The same sort of thing is very noticeable in the Brussels Exhibition. Go into Belgian section, with its dull packing-case-cum-espresso pavilions,

and you will find that, even in places formally laid out, there is none of that cheerful gathering of people that you get in the superbly-townscaped areas around the German, Jugoslav or Dutch pavilions. It would be nice to see a cautionary film showing how people at the Exhibition react to good or bad townscaping.

POEME EN PANNE

A colleague who has been in Brussels reports that little sound or light had emerged by last weekend from Le Corbusier's pavilion, and a courteous attendant was on permanent duty at the entrance to tell visitors that performances of the poème electronique had been postponed until this week. He writes:

"Two select audiences of Press men and distinguished visitors were given a preview of its mysteries during the week after the opening. Unfortunately, though the audience were apparently impressed, the technicians discovered a number of technical faults including several inches of dust in the ventilation pipes. This took some time to clean because the pavilion conceals about its structure no less than four film projectors, eight rotating slide projectors, 400 loud speakers, and 12 kilometres of wiring required for the production of Le Corbusier's elaborate scenario.

"Until these cleaning operations are finished it is impossible to criticise the end-product of Philips' technical ingenuity, though some titillating details have been revealed. "Woman" and "Mathematics" in the shape of a shop window dummy and a scientific formula, hang from the roof to be illuminated at intervals in brilliant colours. M. Corbusier himself is to be heard intoning some of his commentary. Pictures of shells, Greek statues, negro masks and hydrogen bomb explosions are flashed on the undulating walls, and stereophonic sound by M. Varèse comes from different combinations of the 400 loudspeakers. All is coordinated by a 15-track master tape.

"It appears that Le Corbusier only agreed to design the structure on condition that he could devise the scenario."

ASTRAGAL



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"RIBA's Serious Failure"

SIR,—At the AGM, RIBA members will be asked to endorse the Annual Report of the Council, including the financial policy summarized in the Statement published in February this year. This Statement, it will be recalled, announced higher subscriptions for all classes of membershim increased. for all classes of membership, increased entrance fees and examination charges, and a drastic curtailment of expenditure on public and professional activities with a transfer of all surpluses to the building fund. The main reasons given for the present financial plight were—under-estimation of the cost of the new building by some £19,700, falling off in share values, increased £19,700, faling off in snare values, increased staff salaries and establishment charges (£29,300), and failure to anticipate the rapid falling off in new members following the end of the post-war training boom (£15,800 decrease in fees and subscriptions). The Statement also revealed the remarkable fact that the RIBA Journal does not pay its

way.

To the undersigned, and to many others, this Statement revealed not only a serious failure to plan the Institute's business a remarkable state of comfailure to plan the Institute's business affairs, but also a remarkable state of complacency on the part of the Council, and a failure to appreciate the needs of the profession. We do not believe that resignations from the RIBA, either individual or en masse, are likely to achieve any worth while end. Yet many members because they see no return from their subscriptions. they see no return from their subscriptions, year after year, are seriously considering resignation. One might well ask, what is the likelihood, given increased fees and subscriptions, that the total income will in fact be increased, unless members are induced to remain members by receiving much

better value for money.

We believe that the constitution of the Council itself, which is undemocratic and unrepresentative of the general body of members, is the main reason for the gulf

which exists between the feelings and needs of members and the actions of the Council. There appear to be too many opportunities for example, by the nomination of "repre sentatives" some of whom may have failed anyway to gain election through the ballot box—for nepotism, old-boy-ism, and other tactics reminiscent of the "rotten boroughs." ractics reminiscent of the "rotten boroughs." No one would be against the attendance of friendly representatives, or observers, from other organizations in Britain and the Commonwealth, but why should non-elected members have full voting powers, on all issues, and even be appointed to office? We are fully in begreenment with the principle of the progreenment with the principle of the progreenment with the principle of the princ We are fully in agreement with the principle of provincial representation through the Allied Societies, but would it not be more democratic, and effective, if repremore democratic, and effective, if representatives were chosen specifically for this purpose by the local ballot of members?

To conclude, we hope that as many members as possible from the Provinces as well as from London, will do their best to attend this AGM, and express their views. We suggest that the Council should be asked to think again on the financial issues, and further, that a special committee should be set up to reconsider the constitution of the Council to make it more democratic, and more representative of the majority of the membership.

CLEEVE BARR, ANTHONY COX.

London.

Knight In Armour

SIR,—While not yet so desperately despairing as Mr. Whateley (AJ, April 24), may I ing as Mr. Whateley (AJ, April 24), may a rattle my rusting armour in tiny—not to say tinny—protest against a remark made in your otherwise sensible Editorial of the same date. What, sir, is this ludicrous myth about the RIBA Council being "controlled by a caucus of knight-architects"? trolled by a caucus of knight-architects "? I have not looked up the names, but so far as my memory goes our errant band consists of the following: Sir Ninian Comper who (to my knowledge) has never been seen at the RIBA, Sir Edward Maufe, Sir Thomas Bennett and Sir Thomas Worthington, whom I've never seen there since the except on social occasions: Sir Albert war except on social occasions: Sir Albert Richardson, who has publicly proclaimed his life-long scorn for it and all its activities: Sir Percy Thomas and Sir Howard Robertson who, since their arduous terms of presidential office, are justifiably most rarely seen at Council meetings: that notoriously diehard couple of deadheads, Sir William Holford and Sir Leslie Martin: and myself, who throughout my Council and myself, who throughout my Countries ervice was never once given any opportunity—even had I wished to take it—of "controlling" anything any more than any other member.

I write, sir, not in defence of my honoured colleagues—each of whom is well capable of looking after himself—nor even in defence of truth, which in journalism is always an elusive quality, but in protest against slack writing which is a mark of slack thinking. To lay the blame for the state of our profession upon an imaginary group of sinister tyrants—be-knighted or group of sinister tyrants—be-knighted or not—meeting secretly in high places, is of all clichés perhaps the silliest and most boring, worthy only of the hack or the unthinking. To resurrect those poor old Aunt Sallies in order to give them another annual bashing is, sir, in my view, to waste time that could be better and more constructively spent.
HUGH CASSON.

London.

SPUR Onward

SIR,—Your readers may have seen the announcement some weeks ago of the birth, to the Housing Centre, of the Society for the Promotion of Urban Renewal.

SPUR sees as its first task a review and appraisal of recent work in this and other countries in the field of Urban Renewal.

For convenience, it has divided this huge field into six sub-divisions and has a group at work on each

City structure; housing patterns and den-sities; social structure and employment transport and utilities; economics of urban renewal; legislation and administration.

In addition, a group has been formed to assist in the organization and co-ordination of "live" planning and housing programmes in schools of architecture and

SPUR is above all concerned at this stage not to do work that has been done already but in the first place to act, as its parent has done for so many years, as a central clearing house for the collection and publication of ideas and research on contemporary ways of living in cities. But if we are later to work, as we mean to do, towards a new pattern of town life that will be as universally acceptable as the old ones were in their day we must throw our set or without or the contemporary ways. day, we must throw our net as widely as we can. For this reason I write to invite any individual or group which has done or is doing work in our field to get in touch with the Secretary of the Housing Centre, 13, Suffolk Street, London, S.W.1.

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Heralds Of Decline?

SIR,—It is fascinating to watch tenet after tenet of modern architecture going overboard nowadays as architects in their struggle with formal expression and obses-sion with art and sculptural effects (the latter the herald of decline) turn eclectic The latest sin seems to have been committed by Messrs. Stirling and Gowan as Ham Common who:

(a) Cast consistency of orientation to the winds in an effort which in this respect would grace—or rather outdo—any Victorian scheme. Having just had an experience what solar heat can do with proper orientation, I think this such a shame; (b) are even less consistent in the use of

(b) are even less consistent in the use of fenestration (apparently art-conditioned?) particularly in regard to admitting light to bedrooms where an artificial conflict of window walls (for some) and pot-holes (for others) has been conjured into existence; (c) who use the drop-window, tried and discarded by Messrs. M. de Klerk, Mart Stam and Otto Haesler; how outdated this looks on a 1958 scheme; (d) who use gargoyles reintroduced for the first time since Gothic days by Le Corbusier

first time since Gothic days by Le Corbusier (or am I making an error and omit to give the waterspouts of suburban porches their due?); gargoyles moreover that remind of the spouts of teapots that refuse to work properly:

who step up the morosity of heavy brickwork and rough concrete to such a pitch that one cannot help wondering where the long-chinned brutalité à l'anglaise will

(f) and who—this the crowning glory of all—hand the plans of two of their units to make them perform the seeming job of lodges on either side of an imaginary axis leading to no manor house. So sorry!

WALTER SEGAL.

London.

Basildon Shops

SIR,—I wish to bring to your notice that the "awkward plan shape," mentioned in your illustrations of a model for 37 shops at Basildon (AJ, April 3), has very largely been the result of planning and design within a regular site boundary. The site, apart from containing an angle in excess of 90 deg. at the junction of the pedestrian way and the Ring Road, provided nearly ideal conditions from which the proposed scheme has which the proposed scheme has sprung.

Birmingham.

London Planetarium

London Planetarium

Sir,—We were very surprised to see when reading the article on the London Planeurium (AJ, March 27, p. 459) that the dome was covered with 1-in. cork slabs and sheathed in copper on bituminous felt. It is extremely bad practice to lay copper over bituminous felt and we, as copper roofing specialists, who carried out this particular job naturally supplied and fixed an imodorous felt underlay which is the correct meterlay for copper roofing.

This may seem a small point to you but difficulties have been experienced in the past on this particular point with architects. We should be very pleased if you would make a correction pointing out this fact.

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RIBA

Local Government Architects' Society to be Formed

The Council of the RIBA at its meeting on April 15 decided, in effect, to launch the local Government Architects' Society. The

local Government Architects' Society. The maugural meeting with probably take place in London early in June. The minute of the Council meeting reads:

"A report from the ad hoc committee on the Representation of Members in Salaried Employment was considered. This report gave the results of the enquiry sent out to architects in local authorities as to the likely support for a Local Government Architects' Society. In approving in principle the committee's recommendation, the Council sarred that the Royal Institute should offer mittee's recommendation, the Council agreed that the Royal Institute should offer is good offices and make available accommodation for an inaugural meeting to be alled in connection with the formation of

this Society."

In fact, it is understood on good authority that the response of local authority architects to the enquiry of the ad hoc committee was absolutely overwhelming, being in the region of 90 per cent. favourable to the formation of the new society. The society will not, formally, be sponsored by the RIBA, as was originally recommended by the ad hoc committee, but the RIBA will "offer its good offices and make available accommodation." It is expected that Richard Sheppard, chairman of the ad hoc committee, will take the chair at the inaugural meeting, which must form this Society. hoc committee, will take the chair at the inaugural meeting, which must form the society and elect provisional office-bearers and a committee to whom the responsibility of further action would then be handed over. The inaugural meeting will presumably be called by a provisional committee. The other professions concerned—lawyers, accountants, education officers, and municipal engineers—are con-

sulting with the architects about the further steps to be taken to bring about the forma-tion of the professional panel within the National Association of Local Government

Resignation

R. Furneaux Jordan, who has been an Associate since 1928 and a Fellow since 1937, has resigned from the RIBA.

Symposium

The RIBA symposium Design Pays: The Private House and Its Setting takes place tomorrow, and not on May 31 as stated in Diary last week, through a printing error.

PYLONS IN KENT

Disturbing Report

Kent County Council is to call a meeting of local authorities to discuss the Central Electricity Board's proposal for erecting a high-tension line from Dungeness to North-fleet by way of Canterbury, to link the British and French electricity systems. The British and French electricity systems. The Kent Planning Committee has now received a joint report from an independent consultant, G. A. Jellicoe, and the County Planning Officer, James W. R. Adams, which points out that, as the C.E. Board is not proposing to place any of the lines underground, new pylons would straddle the County from the English Channel to the River Thames. River Thames.

The report expresses disappointment that the C.E. Board has not through intensive research discovered methods of substantially reducing the relative cost of placing high-tension lines underground. Between Lower Halstow and Northfleet, the proposed line would cross the North Downs near Bluebell Hill crossing eight miles of some of the most attractive, unspoilt scenery in Kent, whereas a route north of the Medway Towns would cross only about two miles of comparable country, and be about two miles shorter. The Board has stated that the extra cost of going north would exceed £500,000 because of the high towers needed to cross the Lower Medway and the extra foundations for crossing the marshes, but the report expresses the view that the combined factors of viewal and other amenities. bined factors of visual and other amenities and the effect on rateable values would, to some extent, justify the question of cost being subordinated.

Design in the Post Office

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A correspondent writes:—

"More original sin and less respectability" was the shot that Mr. Marples thought should be injected into design in the Post Office. He was speaking at a lunchtime meeting of the Design in Industry Association at Overseas House, St. James's, London, S.W.I., on April 21, and what he said was altogether encouraging. The way he said it, too, suggested that he meant what he said. Let us hope so. He disposed of professional critics of design by suggesting that they were often wrong, but never in doubt, and that they expressed themselves in incomprehensible language: he disposed of the danger of sterility in official advisors by saying that they should be changed from time to time, and that in any event he might not always take their advice.

And as for improving post offices, some of which he described as a mixture between gloomy warehouse and late lavatorial in style, he put forward the following ideas. First make construction functional: two, make sure it works by models and full scale mock-ups; three, encourage the co-

operation of private enterprise with official

administration.

He referred to the joint committee now sitting, on which two or three architects, sitting, on which two or three architects, time and motion experts, and others were represented, and which had been set up to disentangle some of the obvious short-comings and inconveniences of present design both to the Post Office official and to the public; he also said that designs were being prepared for a new telephone kiosk and in answer to questions he affirmed that the designers had been given an entirely free hand within the limits of a functional specifraction—this did not include the simultaneous use of a kiosk by the male and female of the species (one lady in the audience requested that she should go into a kiosk with Mr. Marples when he was trying it out), but he assured his audience that before embarking on the production of the new design he would take into consideration

new design he would take into consideration that ladies need to hang up umbrellas, dispose of handbags and parcels and so on, besides actually telephoning; so that their requirements would be well provided for. "Greater versatility in design and violent controversy" were words he used approvingly, and he quite definitely gave the impression—not universally held—that some good could come of architects and designers who had not reached the generally accepted age of discretion—which, from observation, must be about 60 or over. "Living" artists, too, were to be encouraged by state patronage.

Unlike one's experience at so many occasions of this kind there was a lively and enjoyable discussion, with Mr. Marples giving answers that were witty, but not facetious; but what a pity it is that when facetious; but what a pity it is that when such an opportunity occurs for questioners it seems out of place to dwell as long as one would wish on the seemingly unnecessary difficulties and frustrations to which private architects and designers, whom he avowedly encourages, are subject in practice when they are engaged on Post Office work of which, one feels, he ought perhaps to be more aware. In particular, personal contact with the persons from whom the requirements originate, freedom from rigid standards of design and specification, and a ards of design and specification, and a simplification of hierarchical administration, would give the minimum conditions under which truly imaginative work—such as Mr. Marples looks forward to—could emerge.

CABAS

T. E. North—President

The City and Borough Architects' Society announce the following new appointments as

announce the following new appointments as officers of the society.

President: T. E. North, Borough Architect and Planning Officer, West Ham.

Vice-President: Johnson Blackett, Borough Architect, Newport, Mon.

Hon. Secretary: S. A. G. Cook, Borough Architect and Director of Housing, Holborn.

Assistant Hon. Secretary: Maurice H. Forward, Borough Architect, Lewisham. Hon. Treasurer: E. A. Tornbohm, Borough Architect, Darlington.

DIARY

Design Pays: the Private House and Its Setting. One-day symposium with Sir Hugh Casson in the chair. At the RIBA, 66, Portland Place, W.1. 10 a.m.-5.30 p.m.

Ten Years of Planning: Where Has It Got Us? Talk by L. W. Lane, Senior Planning Officer, LCC. At the RICS, 12, Great George Street, S.W.1. 5.45 p.m.

RIBA Annual General Meeting. At the RIBA, 66, Portland Place, W.1. 6 p.m. May 6

CRITICISM

by J. M. Richards

The BRITISH PAVILIONS
at the BRUSSELS EXHIBITION,
designed by H. V. LOBB and PARTNERS
(interiors by JAMES GARDNER),
the ROYAL COLLEGE OF ART,
and EDWARD D. MILLS and PARTNERS.

It is tempting to regard the group of national pavilions at a big exhibition competitively, placing each in order of merit. It makes an enjoyable game and a basis for exchanging opinions with other visitors. But although it is interesting—and indeed salutary—to note which pavilions do their country most credit, direct comparison is not really possible. Their object is not necessarily the same and—what is more important—all had

Below: the courtyard planted with Commonwealth flags, referred to in this article. Next to it, a corner of the same courtyard, which links the Government pavilion (seen in the background) with the sequence of walled garden courts illustrated in the other four pictures below. These show the varying display styles employed and the touches of whimsicality, like the enlarged Staffordshire figure.

not the same money to spend. In enumerating the architectural merits and defects of the British contribution, as compared with others, it has particularly to be borne in mind that it had to be produced relatively cheaply and that several of its defects are due to policy decisions outside the designers' control.

The British site is in the extreme south-east corner of the exhibition grounds, but although not so prominent as some it has the advantage of an agreeable landscape setting, including some well-grown trees, which it uses fairly well. It is part of a park-like area, bounded by grassy banks and a small ravine, shared by Britain with Germany, Portugal, Yugoslavia and Switzerland, which lie to the east and north-east, Most of these pavilions exploit the natural advantages by poising themselves above the undulating ground a delicately as possible, so that lawns and pools are seen flowing beneath and between light, transparent structures and connecting bridges. The British pavilion, in contrast, is opaque. Its gardens are enclosed within high brick walls and are, for the most part, seen only by visitors who have already passed through the main Government building, starting at the main entrance, For there is strictly controlled circulation; the exit from the walled gardens into the courtyard which separates the Government pavilion from the industrial pavilion has turnstiles operating one way only.

The walled gardens are laid out in the form of small interconnecting courtyards, used as an open-air extension of the Government pavilion—an intelligent way of providing additional display space without incurring the cost of a roofed-in building. They are diminutive in scale with wall decorations and displays well set off















The British Government pavilion from the south. The entrance to the Hall of Tradition is at the far end. Behind the wall on the right are the open courtyards already illustrated.

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by their background of whitewashed brickwork. Designed by the Royal College of Art, they have much the same character and purpose as the Lion and Unicorn pavilion on the South Bank seven years ago. They are witty and sophisticated (perhaps a shade too sophisticated) and have the same air of mild selfmockery which I myself feel is not really suitable for export. My other complaints are that too many somewhat whimsical ideas in competing styles are packed into the smallish space, and that the space appears even smaller with people in it too. Other countries' pavilions look bare when uninhabited but acquire some of the liveliness they need from the crowds moving through them. The British look full even when empty; witness in particular the first courtyard entered after leaving the Government pavilion. This is a gaily designed affair containing the flags of the Commonwealth countries on poles rising from neat photographic showcases. But the pattern of the massed flagstaffs, which are themselves seen against a vigorously patterned yellow and white tiled wall instead of against the unassertive background they need most, becomes hopelessly confused when crowded with people as well.

One wonders how much the effect of people was taken

Nevertheless this sequence of garden courtyards shows the most consistent taste, combined with skilful design, in the British section. Emerging from it, the visitor crosses an artificial pool of water by a bridge that takes him into the larger tree-planted courtyard-here there is a refreshing sense of space—which is closed on two sides by the industrial pavilion and the Britannia pub. The latter is a cheerful workmanlike attempt at a modern version of the traditional English pub, designed by Edward Mills. Only the lifebelts hung on the balcony railings (which would not in practice be found even on a seaside pub) give it a somewhat phoney air. The proportions and materials of the bars inside do achieve something of the proper pub character. The exterior is also marred by an appallingly banal inn-sign, which is quite unworthy of this enterprise on the part of Whitbreads and of the standards of British design that are supposed to be on show.

There remain to be discussed the two principal buildings: the Government pavilion with which the planned sequence of the British section begins, and the industrial pavilion with which it ends, designed respectively by H. V. Lobb and Partners (who were also consultants for the whole layout) and Edward D. Mills and Partners. The idea behind the Government pavilion was to contrast an introductory section devoted to British tradition with one devoted to British scientific achievements. The first occupies a high dark hall, lit

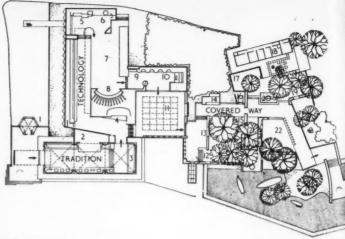
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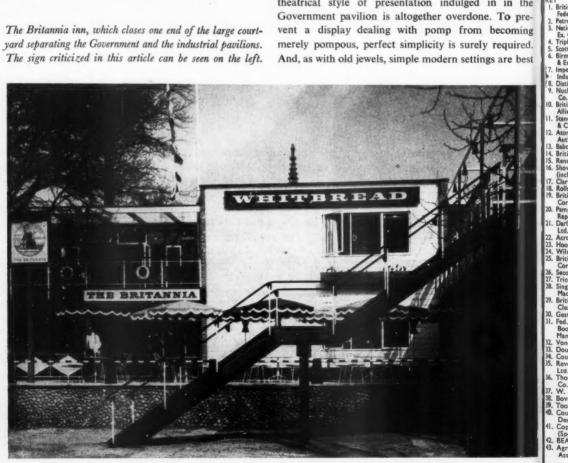
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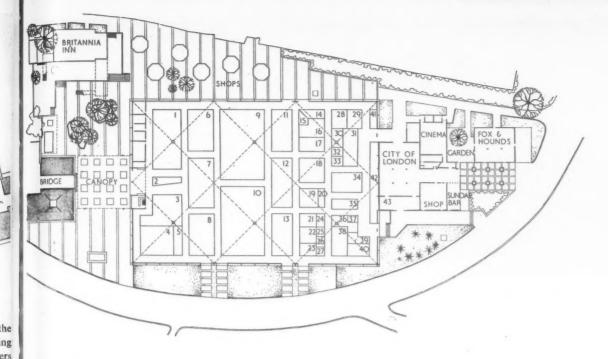
Plan of the British Government Pavilion. The arrows show the route taken by the visitors, who leave by the bridge shown on the left of the plan on the opposite page. [Scale: I" = I' O"]

through small remote apertures filled with coloured glass. The long axis is closed at the far end by Annigoni's portrait of the Queen, beneath which the visitor turns at right-angles to reach the scientific section. An architectural article is perhaps not the place to discuss the wisdom of the official decision to introduce Britain with a display of traditional costume and pageantry. It does strike a note different from that of

The Britannia inn, which closes one end of the large courtyard separating the Government and the industrial pavilions. The sign criticized in this article can be seen on the left. other pavilions and I suppose has an appeal to the ordinary tourist, though it may be observed in passing that the same visitor who is impressed by Beefeaters and regalia and the Changing of the Guard will be utterly at sea when faced with the sophisticated allusiveness of the messages in the garden courtyards. But perhaps this is the intention; something for all tastes. Be that as it may, my personal feeling is that the theatrical style of presentation indulged in in the Government pavilion is altogether overdone. To prevent a display dealing with pomp from becoming merely pompous, perfect simplicity is surely required. And, as with old jewels, simple modern settings are best



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in the absence of genuine antique settings. A style of display which tries to echo the ceremonial character of the objects displayed only throws doubt on the authenticity of the objects themselves, and this hushed chamber with its subdued lights, soft carpets, solemn music and heraldic draperies, with its air of a chapel in which the royal portrait occupies the place where the altar ought to be, misses for this reason the intended effect of dignity and comes near to vulgarity.

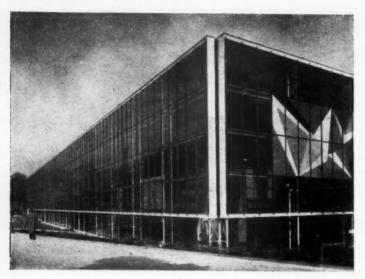
The setting given to the royal portrait, moreover, only draws attention to the trivial and sentimental qualities of this particular painting. The official insistence on the choice of the Annigoni portrait is æsthetically nothing less than a catastrophe, and even if the choice was made as a calculated attempt to pander to uneducated taste, that is itself unworthy of the purpose of the pavilion. There's not even the excuse that he is a British painter.

These criticisms of the Hall of Tradition are, of course, a matter of personal taste; others may not agree. But one more practical point needs making. The hall is, or appears to be, so complete in itself that it does not lead compulsively enough to the scientific section round the corner. It will be interesting to know, when the exhibition has been open for a little while, whether some visitors, after entering and penetrating some distance into the darkened hall, do not, as I fear they may, drift out again by the same entrance without realizing the existence of the far more exciting scientific exhibits round the corner.

The high roof of the hall is in three compartments, represented outside by the group of three spires (officially described as crystalline in shape) which indicate the position of the British pavilion to the approaching visitor. I wish I could find something admiring to say about this exterior, but it lacks scale, and therefore the dignity its position demands, and is unfortunate in its proportions. For so contrived a series of shapes can only justify themselves if they achieve some effective emotional impact: tall slender spires might have created a feeling of elegance and drama-both excellent and appropriate qualitiesbut dumpy spires do neither. And this weakness is emphasized by the triviality of the exterior details. especially round the entrance, and the dullness of the surface treatment, which is particularly disappointing because the method of construction (basically a number of self-supporting triangular units framed up out of double-skin plywood) is both ingenious and economical. If only some sense of the membraneous nature of the construction had been transmitted to the outside, it would not have looked, as it does, more like a cardboard model of the building than the building itself. Unlike the best of the foreign pavilions, it has very little to do with what modern architecture is all about.

The remainder of the Government pavilion is very little seen externally, except in the form of one long diaper-patterned wall. Its rôle is simply to provide a roof for the sequence of scientific exhibits. Its ceiling is relatively low, furnishing an effective contrast to that of the Hall of Tradition through which it is approached, but it is a pity the chance was not taken of creating a contrast in lighting intensity also. From the religious gloom of the first hall it would have been stimulating indeed, as well as appropriate to the change of theme, to have emerged into clear and brilliant light. Instead, the subdued lighting is continued, its chief source being the exhibits themselves. This is an effective way of concentrating attention on them, but in my view, the science exhibit is badly underlighted all through.

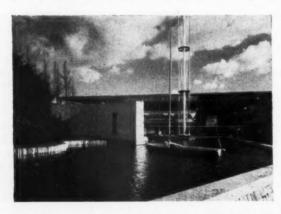
The theme, however, is well worked out and ingeniously presented in a display of considerable variety



The steel and glass cage of the industrial pavilion, looking along its western flank.

and complexity. The only criticism to be made that is relevant to my purpose here, is that there is a tendency—to which British exhibitions are often prone—to over-design, with the result that display devices sometimes draw too much attention to themselves at the expense of the objects displayed. To remind himself of how effective a technique based on absolute simplicity can be, the visitor need only look at the German or the Yugoslav pavilions nearby or the Norwegian or the Japanese a little further away.

Lastly, the industrial pavilion: this is a complete contrast to the others, being simply a glass-walled container for the trade exhibits. As such it is sensibly and economically designed and, because of its considerable size, the view along its exposed western flank is



The main front of the industrial pavilion, looking across the courtyard from the pool.

truly impressive. Inside, the steel roof-trusses strike the eye as being a little on the weighty side (at least as regards the main diagonal members). It is bad luck on this pavilion that it stands so near to the German, which is a model of how to construct a glass box and achieve real æsthetic distinction. But the curtain walls in the British, with their slim wooden mullions, have the lightness this type of building requires, and through

them the exhibits can be intriguingly glimpsed. Lit up at night they have real glamour.

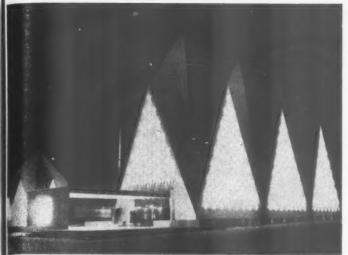
It is when one enters the industrial pavilion (after noticing with a little surprise that it is boldly labelled "British Industry" in English-not French or Flemish) that one becomes aware of its shortcomings—as an exhibit, not as a building. Inside, it is a closepacked jungle of competing trade stands. It is more than twenty years since Britain departed from the practice of leaving it to commercial firms to participate directly in these big international fairs (I think, as a matter of fact, the last occasion was also at Brussels, in 1935), and planned instead a selective officially designed, display. That is what other countries do, and have done this year at Brussels, Britain alone has taken a step backwards, and simply erected (through the Federation of British Industries) a building in which floor-space has been sold to industry to exhibit what it wants.

If this was necessary for economic reasons, more coordination between stands would have helped a lot. As it is, the effect is bewildering, and is made the more so by the closeness of one stand to another: the gangways have been kept very narrow, presumably to get the maximum revenue. This is especially disappointing because individually many of the stands are excellent; there are highly ingenious displays by some of the best stand-designers we have. A few are poor, reminding one of Olympia at its worst, and some, otherwise well designed, are far too tall. The one selective exhibit is that of the COID along the far wall of the building, which is beautifully arranged, though somewhat overwhelmed by its neighbours.

Alongside the main industrial pavilion Britain goes even more blatantly commercial, with little kiosks advertising branded consumer goods, and it is rather shaming that these are overlooked from the main circulation of the far more restrained and dignified German pavilion. This question of cost is puzzling, because although the British Government felt unable to spend very much, the amount spent by individual firms on their stands must add up to a considerable sum. If the Government had given a lead, surely the same money could have been made available for a more dignified co-ordinated exhibit?

To sum up: the British is not one of the more distinguished sections architecturally (the best are, in my view, the German, the Dutch, the Spanish, the Yugoslav, the Japanese and the Norwegian, but readers must judge for themselves when they see them all illustrated in the JOURNAL later on). Nevertheless parts of it are entertaining and others at least workmanlike, and it does—for better or worse—attempt things that set it apart from other national exhibits. The emphasis on historical tradition, the frankly commercial treatment of the industrial side and the fact that it is shut in on itself instead of being largely visible through glass walls, may attract some interest simply because they are different.

One last observation: the designers should be given credit for the fact that the British pavilions were among the few that were ready on time. The catalogue, on the other hand, was not. On the day after the opening supplies were said to be expected soon.



The British Pavilions at the Brussels International Exhibition, which have been the subject of criticism in the preceding pages, are more fully described in this article. For the whole British site the co-ordinating architects were Howard Lobb and John C. Ratcliff of Howard Lobb and Partners (who also designed the Government Pavilion), the co-ordinating designer was James Gardner (who was also display designer of the Government Pavilion), the structural engineers were Felix J. Samuely and Partners, and the landscape consultant was G. P. Youngman. Edward D. Mills and Partners designed the British Industry Pavilion and the Britannia Inn, the display designer being John Lansdell. General contractors were Richard Costain Ltd. in association with Entreprise Blaton-Aubert. For designers and contractors, see page 671.

BRITAIN AT BRUSSELS

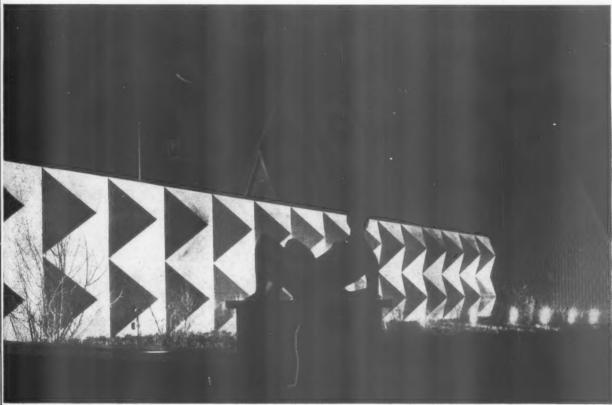
The British pavilions at the Brussels Exhibition are grouped on a rather narrow, curving and nearly level site of five acres at the top of the Avenue de l'Europe (which rises towards it), and are divided into two groups. At one end, at the point normally approached by visitors, is the British Government Pavilion. At the

Henry Moore's "Reclining Figure" silhouetted against the diaper-patterned wall of the Hall of Technology.

other end, occupying two-thirds of the site, is the British Industry Pavilion, which includes a small pavilion for the City of London, and a public house, the Fox and Hounds. In the centre there is an open space, flanked by the Britannia Inn.

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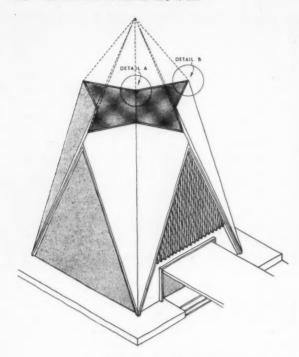
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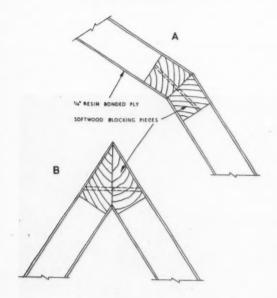
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Above, drawing showing the construction of one of the spires of Hall of Tradition. Below, details A and B [Scale: 4" = 1'0']



beginning with the so-called Crystalline Hall (the Hall of Tradition) followed by the Hall of Technology, and followed in turn by a series of open courtyards.

The Hall of Tradition

Visitors enter the Hall of Tradition by passing under a low timber canopy, in which a pattern of Tudor roses is cut in coloured perspex, supported at one end by a wall of green Westmorland slate enclosing the Royal Arms, also carved from a thick slab of perspex. A cut-down version of one of the "crystal" spires, standing on the left, is a reception hall for V.I.P.s, and beside it is the reclining figure by Henry Moore. The hall itself consists of three "crystal-

shaped" spires, is 70 ft. high, 111 ft. long and 37 ft. wide, each spire consisting of two 4-in. skins of ply. wood with 6-in. softwood spacers between. There is no internal framework, and it is self-supporting. The units were made in England on tubular steel jigs. coated inside and out with fire-resistant paint, bolted together in pairs on the site and swung into place by crane without scaffolding. The feet are pin-jointed. The triangular vertical panels which fill in the sides are constructed on the same principle, but on the side facing the road have numerous small coloured glass eyelets which provide the only natural illumination, apart from the entrance doors. The main illumination comes from the low-level spotlighting of the exhibits, a purple glow suffusing the whole from clusters of faint lights in the points of the spires, re-



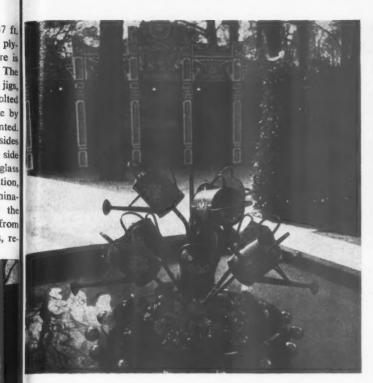
The "Coat of Arms" by Edward Bawden.

flecting on the deep purple in which the interior is painted. This hall contains on either side a display, spotlit in the purple gloom, of national flags, regalia, heraldic motifs and ceremonial dress, ranging from replicas of the crown, sceptre and orb to a copy of the TUC annual report, and culminating in an enlarged colour transparency hanging on the end wall of the portrait of the Queen by Annigoni.

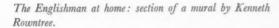
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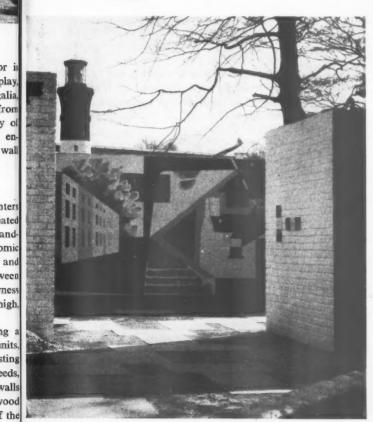
As the visitor leaves the Hall of Tradition he enters into the Hall of Technology, and faces an animated diorama (described as "huge" in the official handout, but in fact rather small) of Dounreay atomic power station. The contrast between tradition and achievement is expressed also in the contrast between the height of the Hall of Tradition, and the lowness of the Hall of Technology, which is only 12 ft. high, though 182 ft. long and 82 ft. wide.

The construction is cavity-block walls supporting a space-frame in light steel tube, prefabricated in units, from which is suspended a ceiling of fire-resisting asbestos board, and decked with slabs of reeds, bituminous sheet and green spar. Externally the walls are concealed by a series of flat four-sided plywood pyramids, intended to harmonize with the shape of the



A watering can fountain, designed by James Symonds; in the background, the Edwardian theatre, which contains an exhibition of famous post-war English stage sets.





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The Edwardian theatre on the right, exterior designed by John Griffiths and in the background a photomontage of musicians in the Royal Festival Hall by students of the RCA School of Graphic design.



English literature: busts by Astrid Zydower caricaturing famous English writers, with lithographed book cases and lithographed books in display cases by T. E. La Dell. The title mural by Peggy Angus, below, alongside the lake between the two pavilions.



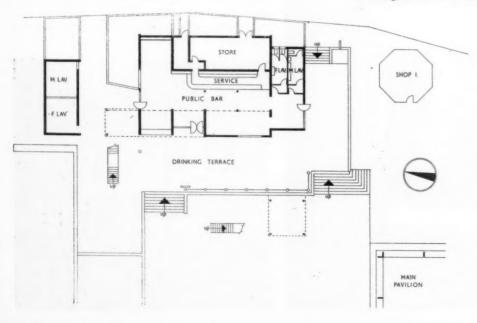


Above, the terrace of the Britannia. Right, the public bar. Below, ground and first floor plans. [Scale: \(\frac{1}{2}\)'' = 1' 0']





Hall of Tradition. The hall is divided in two by a tinted plate glass screen, daylight filtering through coloured perspex louvres so as to begin the transition from the darkness of the Hall of Tradition to the daylight outside. The visitor at first passes along a narrow corridor with the external wall on his left and the glass on his right, viewing spotlit scientific exhibits, and then turns round into semi-daylight to see a quarter-scale model of Zeta, from which he passes on to the external courtyards, grouped round some fine trees, and divided up by brick walls into a series of displays designed to show the British way of life. First there is the Commonwealth Court, in which the Commonwealth flags fly from stainless steel flagposts, with a small display case beneath each. Then there are the Courts of Humanities and the Arts, designed by a Royal College of Art group led by Hugh Casson, and including sections on architecture, country pursuits, literature, theatre, music, the British at home, and a display of a new school. Finally, there is the Courtyard of Invention, designed by Gordon Bowyer (in which are listed all the inventions for which Britain takes credit, including top-hats and trouser turn-ups), from which one passes out of the Government section (looking at an abstract mural in tiles by Peggy Angus) by a bridge over a lake on which three boats are riding, and into the British Industries section.



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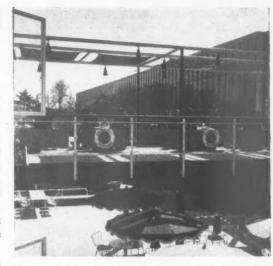
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This pavilion is contributed by the Federation of British Industries, which has let stands within it to individual firms, groups or associations. The main exhibition hall is nearly 300 ft. long, over 200 ft. wide, and 35 ft. high, and covers 60,000 sq. ft. of floor area. The roof construction is made up of six square bays, each covering about 10,000 sq. ft., each with a column in the centre. Each segment of the roof was made up from six latticed girders spanning as a folded slab construction between the diagonal ribs. The diagonal ribs and columns act as three hinged frames with the horizontal members of the girders acting as ring ties. The welded lattice-steel girders are made up from 6-in. by 3 in. channels with 8-in. by 3-in. channels as chord members and 5-in, bore tubes as diagonal members. There are bolted connections between the girders, but the connections of the girders to the diagonal ribs are welded.

The structure is clad with steel decking and laid with a built-up roofing. The pavilion has been designed as an exhibition showcase, the external walls being completely glazed with clear glass, apart from an area at the south end where a mural executed in laminated

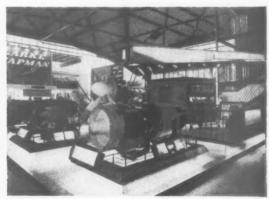


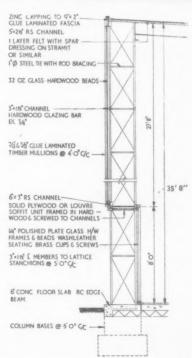
Commercialism intrudes rudely into the area to the north of the British Industry Pavilion where these kiosks are selling British consumer goods. Behind, the crisp, severe, black and white German Pavilion.

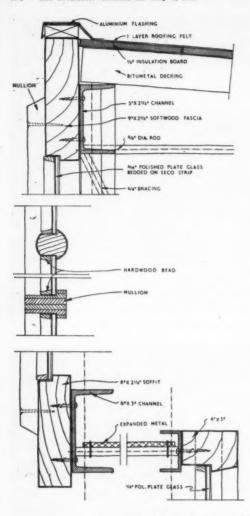


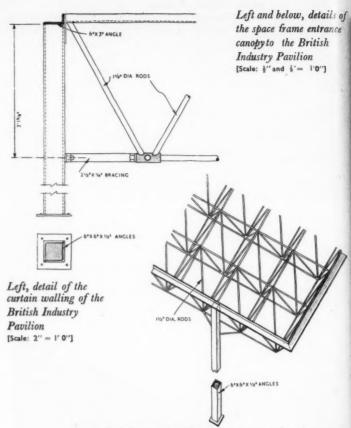
Above, Henry Moore's King and Queen stand at the entrance to the British Industry Pavilion. Above right, Olympia at Brussels: This view of the Rolls-Royce and other stands in the British Industry Pavilion shows how the pavilion has been packed with commercial stands. Coutauld's, on the right, is one of many which rises almost to the roof. Right, detail of external walling of the British Industry Pavilion. Further detail overleaf.

glass, designed by Cecil Stephenson, is used to reduce solar heat and glare. The lower 8-ft. of the wall is glazed with large sheets of plate glass, with smaller panes of glass above. There are no opening lights. The curtain wall system was designed in collaboration with the Rainham Timber Company in glue-laminated hardwood (selected as the framing material on the grounds of economy) stiffened by light steel lattice wind braces. The external timber surfaces are shop-finished with a synthetic french polish. The external walls were entirely prefabricated and shipped in bundles to Belgium. Site assembly was speedy, units being erected in the form of ladders and fixed back to the steel frame. The building is floodlit at night, and special illumination is provided for the main exhibition hall so that the exhibits can be seen at night when the pavilion is closed but the grounds are still open to visitors. At the south









A progress photograph of the British Industry Pavilion, in which the roof structure is clearly visible. Already however the lofty stands which now cram the Pavilion are being erected.

end of the pavilion there is an annexe, housing a selfservice shop, a cinema, the City of London Pavilion (designed by Beverley Pick Associates) which houses a display illustrating the work of such institutions as the Stock Exchange.

On the east of the main pavilion there are five kiosks selling proprietary articles or (in one case) doing dry cleaning. The Britannia Inn, at the east end of the courtyard separating the British Industry Pavilion from the Government Pavilion, is a two-storey build-







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The British Industry Pavilion, and the vertical feature (designed by Edward D. Mills and Partners) rising from the lake are a blaze of light at night, illuminating the stands when the Pavilion is closed.



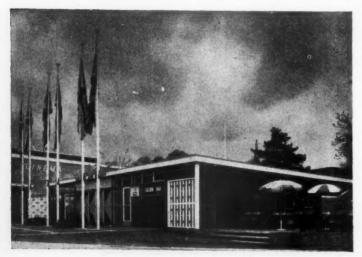
Rear view of the British Industry Pavilion, showing the mural by Cecil Stephenson.

ing, with a verandah approached by two external staircases from the terrace on which it stands. It is constructed of 9-in. brickwork with 6-in. by 6-in. laminated timber columns supporting beams of the same material. The exterior is clad partly with a local facing brick, partly with horizontal weatherboarding painted white. The ground floor is laid with thermo-plastic tiles on cement screed and concrete, the upper floor (including that of the verandah) of tongued and grooved boarding. The two outside stairs are of glued laminated West African hardwood.

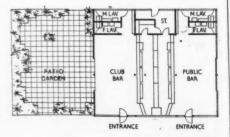
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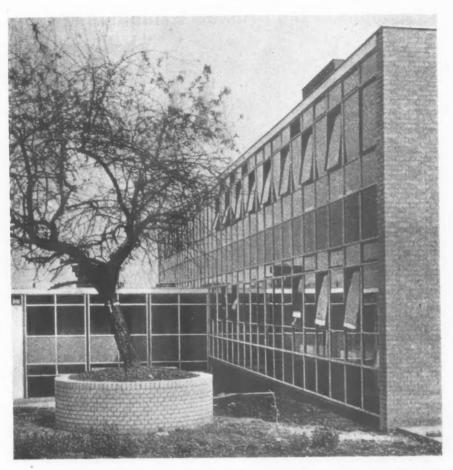
The Fox & Hounds, built for two Yorkshire Breweries, Messrs. John Smith's Brewery Co. Ltd. and the Hope

& Anchor Breweries Ltd., at the south end of the British Industry Pavilion, is a single storey structure housing a saloon bar and club bar, separated from the cinema by a screened patio garden accessible from the club bar, with a paved terrace to the south. The building is demountable for future use. It was made in parts in the workshop and assembled with bolts, on site. The posts and roof units were designed by the Rainham Timber Engineering Co. in consultation with the architects, Hadfield, Cawkwell and Davidson, and the scheme selected has sixteen laminated hardwood posts supporting a roof made up of plywood units about 7 in. thick, giving a flush surface top and bottom. The hardwood windows and wall panel units were designed by the architects and made by the general contractors. Generally speaking, the only expendable parts of the building are the ground floor slab and the felt roof finish.



The Fox & Hounds, at the rear of the British Industry Pavilion. It is a demountable timber structure and will be used for similar purposes elsewhere. Below, ground floor plan. [Scale: ½" = 1'0']





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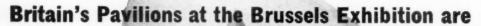
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THE INDUSTRY

Brian Grant reviews the Factory Equipment Exhibition held recently at Earls Court, and describes some new lightweight roofing.

The Factory Equipment Exhibition, which in past years conformed fairly closely to its title, was extended this year to include heating, ventilating and thermal insulation, the latter having a floor to itself. The reason for this, no doubt, was the Thermal Insulation Act, but it was interesting to note that, while the draft regulations specify a U figure as high as 0.3 for factories with internal temperatures of 70 degrees, most manufacturers were showing roof constructions with U figures anywhere between 0.15 and 0.2. While there is little doubt that these improved figures would be financially justifiable, it seems probable that only the more enlightened factory owners will insulate to anything better than the minimum demanded by the Act, for the present Income Tax law encourages the cheapest possible type of factory construction regardless of maintenance and running costs. Moreover, since the recent budget taxes all profits at the same rate, the lower rate on profits ploughed back having been abandoned, this habit seems likely to become more common.

In general, most manufacturers showed various forms of roof structure, either flat decking or pitched, insulated with glass fibre or mineral wool in various thicknesses, with insulating boards and lightweight plastics as alternatives. There were also a number of double skin or sandwich constructions in various sheet materials such as asbestos cement and aluminium, again with glass fibre insulation, but with all these it is necessary to use some sort of spacing device between the inner and outer skins in order to avoid compressing the insulation.

Among the insulating boards pure and simple, Universal Asbestos Manufacturing Co. Ltd. (Tolpits, Watford, Herts) had a flameproof board known as Ubesto, having a low density and a high asbestos fibre content. This is in the Class I minimum

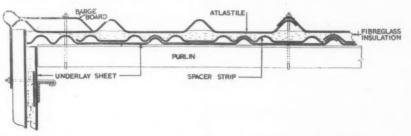
rate of flame spread, and costs 6s. 2d. a sq. yd., about 2s. 2d. more than standard flat sheet. Another material in Class I is Tentest fibre insulating board faced on both sides with asbestos paper: this costs about 3d. per sq. ft. more than the plain board (Tentest Fibre Board Co. Ltd., Oakleigh Gardens, N.20).

The section below illustrates a typical double skin and glass fibre roof by the Atlas Asbestos Cement Co. Ltd. (Artillery House, Artillery Row, S.W.1). This weighs about 6½ lb. per sq. ft. with 1 in. of insulation and has a U value of 0.18. The spacer strips are applied at each purlin and are 4 in. wide. The same firm also carries out asbestos spraying, which can be applied to almost any surface and the optimum thickness is generally between ½ and 1in., with a U value in the neighbourhood of 0.2.

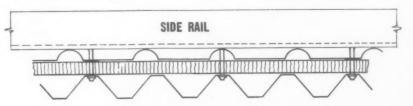
On the stand of Fibreglass Ltd. (Ravenhead, St. Helens, Lancs.) there was a glass fibre insulated roof covered with Northern Aluminium's Snaprib, and a sandwich wall made up with two layers of British Aluminium's Rigidal, the latter fixed with cap nuts to prevent the compression of the insulation. Several firms were also showing insulating board made from foamed plastics, Marley (Sevenoaks, Kent) having an expanded polystyrene called Marleycel, which is easily bonded to other materials and also provides an excellent base for plaster. For lining factory roofs it can be

stuck direct to corrugated or plain sheeting, and, having a light and smooth surface, it acts as an excellent light diffuser without any painting or other treatment. The material is made in standard lengths of 4, 6 and 8 ft., with a width of 2 ft., but any length can be supplied to special order. Baxenden Chemicals (83, Euston Road. N.W.1) showed a similar material named Spandoplast, and also a polyurethane foamin-place material called Spandofoam which can be used among other things for filling cavity walls, though U figures were not available on the stand.

Among the simpler types of equipment Kapok (which I have always associated more with sleeping bags and life jackets) was being used in heat retaining quilts for hot water cylinders and to protect cold tanks from frost. The material can easily be holed for pipes with a pair of scissors and either sewn or bound with adhesive tape, and is sold in 6 ft. by 3 ft. quilts at 22s. 6d. each. The same form of quilt is also sold for pipe lagging and is made up with snap fasteners: it has the advantage that it can be easily run round bends. Kapok quilting is also sold as a heat and sound insulating wall finish, as the p.v.c. covering can be easily washed, and it can also be used for roof insulation. It is more expensive than glass fibre, but is easier to handle (Kapok Ltd., North Acton Road, N.W.10). Strip types of jacketing, each 7 in. wide and up to 36 in. long and



Above, section through a double-skin and glass-fibre roof by the Atlas Asbestos Cement Co. Ltd. Below, vertica section through the Rigidal sandwich wall.



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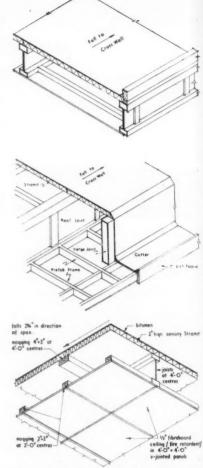
insulated with up to 2 in. of glass fibre or mineral wool, were being shown by Hodgson & Hodgson (Carrington, Nottingham) under the trade name of Thermos, though I gather that the firm is not related to the vacuum flask people. Cost for 2 in. of insulating for the average cylinder is about

On the ground floor of the show, devoted to factory equipment, there was little of major importance new since last year, but I did find some quite handsome timber partitioning made by Pochins Ltd. (King St. Works, Middlewich, Cheshire), This is made in standard 3 ft. widths, and can consist of flush panelling filled with insulation, topped by single or double glazed units. The posts are made in two halves and T junctions are simple to arrange, while there is adequate room in each post for wiring runs. Doors can be arranged quite

simply and although the system is designed for 8-ft. ceilings variations for this figure are quite simple to produce. The panels are produced either in softwood in the white for painting, or in polished hardwood at prices from 7s. 6d. to 12s. 6d. per sq. ft.

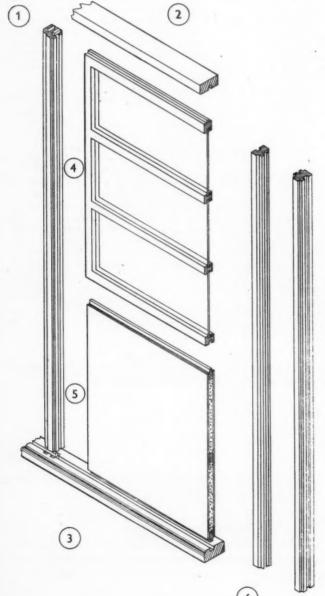
Lightweight Roofing

The drawings on the right show the construction of the Cawood lightweight roof, which is designed for spans of up to 45 ft., although with a modified type spans up to 53 ft. are possible. The roof is built up of I beams with plywood webs and laminated flanges, the standard beam spacing being 48 in. and the depth varying from 8 to 24 in. according to the span. The top flanges of the beams are furred to provide falls and the roof is clad externally with 2-in, high-density Stramit boards and three layers of bitumen, reinforced with a



Details of the construction of the Cawood lightweight roof.

membrane of woven glass canvas. The ceiling is lined with a Class I fire retardant board in 4-ft. by 4-ft. bevelled edge panels. The "U" factor of the complete roof is 0.13 and it weighs only 10 lb. per foot super. The roof is particularly useful in the construction of classrooms, ward blocks and similar buildings where a repetition of the same plan allows cross wall construction to be used. By spanning from one cross wall to the other it is possible to dispense entirely with a structural frame, and even though it may be necessary to return the ends of the cross walls for structural reasons, it is still possible to provide large areas of glazing without needing lintels to carry the roof. Flat, pitched or monopitch roofs can be used, nor is it necessary for the two pitches to be equal, while one half of the roof can, if necessary, be carried down over subsidiary rooms with a lower ceiling height. A long-span version of this roof is also produced, suitable for a maximum of 53 ft. The standard I beams are still used, but are either placed at 24-in. centres, or, if rooflights or other openings are required, the standard 48-in. spacing is retained and the joists are then used in pairs. (Cawood, Wharton & Co. Ltd., Southlands, Harrogate).



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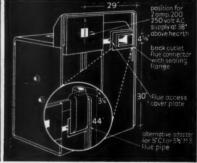
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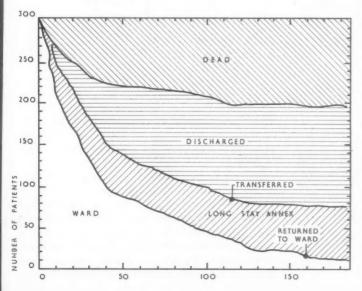
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hospital accommodation for the aged

On pages 663-670 of this issue we give a full description of Cowley Road Hospital, Oxford. This is an entirely new kind of hospital, designed to meet the needs of old people (i.e. it is a geriatric hospital) and has been brought about by a new approach to this ever-more-pressing problem. We publish below an article by Richard Llewelyn Davies, the Director of the Nuffield Foundation Division for Architectural Studies and architect of the Cowley Road Hospital, describing what this new approach means and the kind of hospital accommodation it requires.

Unlike most hospital problems, the provision of medical care for the aged, becomes more acute as a nation progresses towards higher standards of living, better housing, and improved social services. There are two reasons for this. The first is that social progress increases the expectation of life, while the birthrate often falls. This results in an increase in the proportion of old people. It is estimated that the population of "over 60" in Britain will rise from 5,571,000, or 12 per cent. in 1941, to 9,576,000, or 21 per cent. in

Fig. 1. Distribution of 300 patients admitted to a geriatric hospital by days after admission. Diagram by courtesy of Dr. L. Z. Cosin.



1971.* The following table shows more clearly the rate of the rise.

Table 1. Estimated ratio of elderly persons in Great Britain to total population, 1911-79 $\ensuremath{^{\uparrow}}$

	Ratio of elderly to total
Census or estimate	population
	(per cent)
1911	6.7
1921	7.8
1931	9.5
1941	11.8
1951	13-5
1954	13.9
1964	15-3
1979	18.2

This naturally results in an increase in the relative numbers of old people who need hospital care. The second reason is sociological. It is unfortunately the case, that social progress has, at least up to the present, made it more difficult for old people to live with young families. This is partly due to housing policy, which has concentrated on building new houses and flats suitable for a small family, without the extra rooms to accommodate relatives. This policy is, however, itself a result of a general shift in outlook; the concept of a large family, of three generations, all living together, is no longer so acceptable in advanced societies. It is therefore not surprising that countries such as England and Sweden, where there is a high standard of living and advanced social policy, have the biggest problem to face in hospital care for the aged. Less advanced countries must expect the problem to grow progressively more serious. Even if the sociological factors mentioned above do not operate, progress in medicine itself will increase the number of old people in the population.

The number of beds per thousand of the population required for geriatric care has been variously estimated, from 1.5 to 3. These figures are, however, probably too high, based on a rather passive attitude by the hospital authorities on the problem of care for old people. It is only in comparatively recent years, that attempts have been made to grapple intelligently with this problem. Amongst others, Dr. L. Z. Cosin, Director of the Cowley Road Hospital at Oxford, has been a pioneer in developing a dynamic approach to geriatric medicine. He and others have been able to show that providing a really effective team is organized to work on all aspects of sickness in the aged, including the psychological and social problems-then the old picture of vast barrack-like hospitals with hundreds of chronically ill old people is out of date. Fig. 1 shows the results of dynamic geriatric treatment in Orsett Hospital, Essex. The results cover 301 patients over 60, admitted between January, 1947, and July, 1948, and show a picture very different from that normally associated with geriatric care. After six months in the ward, only ten patients in the original 300 admissions still required nursing care, all the rest had either been discharged to their homes, or died, or transferred to a long-stay annexe. These latter had recovered to a point where they could live fairly normal lives in

^{*}Pension Systems and Population Change. Prof. R. Titmuss. The Political Quarterly. P. 153. Vol. XXVI. N.2. April—June 1955.

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Fig. 2. One of the sitting rooms in the long-stay annexe, or rest home at Cowley Road Hospital, Oxford, designed by Richard Llewelyn Davies.

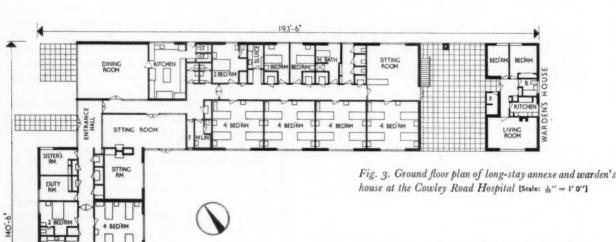
accommodation more like a hostel than a hospital. The average length of stay of the patients is 53 days in all, part of the time being spent in the acute ward and the remainder in the long-stay annexe.

Experience in dynamic care of the aged now enables

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us to consider the type of hospital buildings most appropriate for this purpose.

The accommodation for a modern geriatric hospital or department falls into three groups, the ward, the long-stay annexe and the day hospital. New patients are all admitted to the ward, and undergo an intensive period of diagnosis and treatment; as our experience in handling this type of case increases, so we are finding it possible to shorten this period which allows us to reduce the number of beds in the ward. Used in this way, however, the wards must be very fully equipped and staffed and they must be equal in every way to a high-grade medical or surgical ward in an acute hospital. Its design will be, therefore, of similar design to that of a modern acute ward. The geriatric unit will need to have access to the services of firstclass pathological, X-ray and operating departments. It would be a busy, active unit, in every way comparable to an acute ward. At the end of the period of intensive diagnosis and treatment, the majority of the cases are discharged home; some, however, have reached the limit of rehabilitation, but are still unable to go home for medical, psychological, or social reasons. These patients are transferred to the long-stay annexe. This building should have the character of a hostel. Patients accommodated there are ambulant and are not undergoing any further intense treatment. Buildings, therefore, can be simple and homely. A minimum of nursing care is provided and in the event



of a patient becoming ill, he is transferred back to the hospital. The proportion of beds in the long-stay annexes to those in the acute wards at Cowley Road Hospital is 2.3 to 1.

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The Geriatric Day Hospital is a comparatively new development, the first to be opened is at Cowley Road. The day hospital enables a certain proportion of patients to be discharged home who might otherwise have had to remain in the care of the hospital. It provides care during the daytime, including lunch and some remedial therapy, for patients who are living with their families. It provides for old people the same



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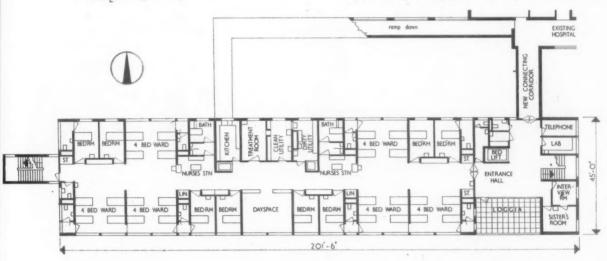
Fig. 4. Ground floor plan of the day hospital at the Cowley Road Hospital [Scale: \(\frac{1}{2}\)" = 1' 0']

Fig. 5. Ground floor plan of a ward at the Larkfield Hospital, Greenock, also designed by Richard Llewelyn Davies [[Scale: 4" = 1'0"]

life—and it does away almost entirely with the old concept of chronic hospitals.

Fig. 3 shows the new long-stay annexe attached to Cowley Road Hospital at Oxford. It is a very simple building of brick construction. It is divided into two wings, one for men and one for women. Most of the accommodation is in four-bed rooms, in addition there are four single rooms and two double-bedded rooms for married couples. It has been found that patients do best when they form into comparatively small social groups, and for this reason three separate sitting-rooms are provided, enabling groups of nine or ten to live together. Even these groups may be too large, and in future buildings, it is proposed to experiment with a great number of separate sitting-rooms. Sanitary accommodation is simple and treatment and sterilizing rooms are not provided on a hospital scale. The cost of the building works out at £750 per bed.

Fig. 4 shows the day hospital attached to Cowley Road Hospital. The patients will remain for the whole of the day and so a dining-room and kitchen are provided. Only one sitting-room (overlooking an enclosed garden) is included in this building, for most patients spend the greater part of the day in the two craft



sort of facilities that a crêche provides for babies. It has been found that many families are willing to accept old people back in their homes after rehabilitation at the hospital, if this sort of care can be provided during the daytime. This is particularly useful in cases where younger members of the family are all out during the day.

The success of the dynamic method in geriatrics just described, rests absolutely on the relations established by the geriatric unit and the family of the old person. The unit must be willing to accept patients immediately, and, where patients have gone home again, must be willing to take them back again whenever necessary; it must even be prepared to admit patients from time to time to give the family an opportunity for a holiday. These conditions can be met, and when they are, the service is far cheaper to the community; much more important, it keeps the aged in the stream of

rooms, where they are occupied on various projects, both on their own and in social therapeutic groups. As well as these two rooms, there is a domestic retraining room, and an occupational therapy room, where patients work on a partly industrial basis so far as output and standards of work are concerned. For treatment there are rooms for a doctor, a psychologist and a medical social worker, a room for physiotherapeutic treatment and a small laboratory. For the few agitated or depressed patients who need individual attention, there is a small room provided where they can receive any special medical treatment. The building cost was £18,000, and up to 40 patients can be accommodated.

Fig. 5 shows a ward at the Larkfield Hospital, Greenock, in Scotland, designed as a modern acute medical ward. This plan is very suitable as a basis for acute geriatric wards.



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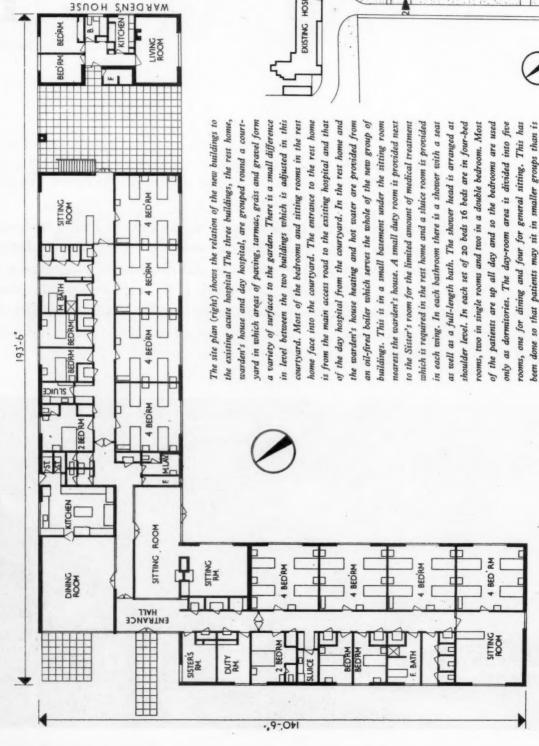
in COWLEYROAD, OXFORD; designed by RICHARD LLEWELYN DAVIES; assistant architects JOHN WEEKS, WALTER GODDARD, DEREK BOWES; quantity surveyors DAVIS, BELFIELD and EVEREST; consultants (services) E. G. PHILLIPS SON and NORFOLK

The three single-storey buildings illustrated here, a rest home, a house for its warden, and a day hospital, have been designed to make possible the new trend in the treatment of old people which is described today in our Technical Section. Grouped in the grounds of an old Oxford hospital, they form a link between the hospital and the outside world, through which acutely ill old people are gradually brought back to health and activity by a period of rehabilitation and protection. The rest home provides for a convalescent period, the day hospital, daily care and light work for old people well enough to return to their families for the night. It is the first building of its kind in this country.

Viewpoint I, from the south-west, with the rest home on the left and the day hospital on the right.



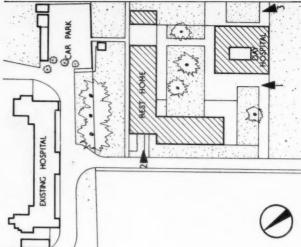
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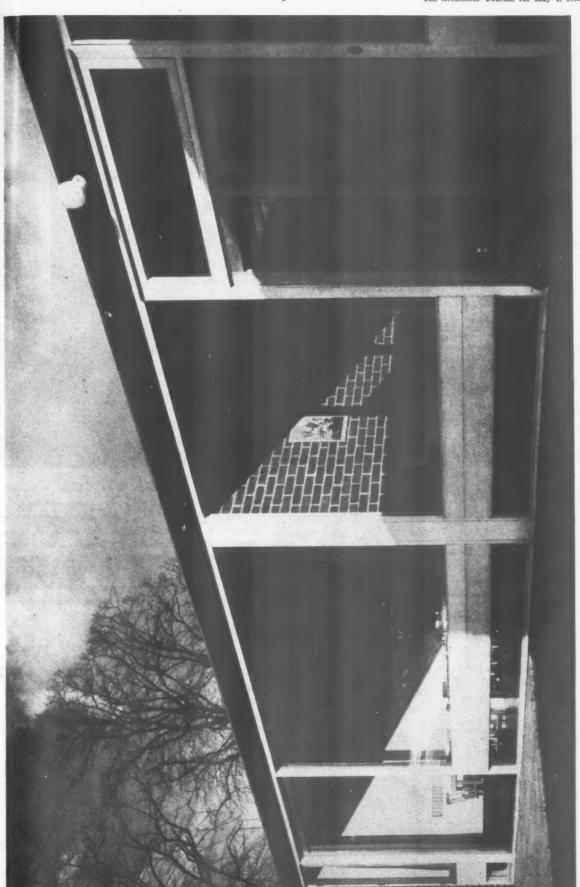
Ground floor plan of rest home and warden's house [Scale: $\frac{1}{2}$," = 1'0']

normally found in institutions. Two of the sitting rooms are communal and the other two will be used by men and women respectively. This makes it possible for a choice of company to

be made by the individual.



Site plan showing photographic viewpoints



of all windows and external doors are varnished mahogany and the fixed portions are of softwood painted white. Where bricks Viewpoint 2 shows the entrance to the rest home with, on the left, the sliding window to the dining room. The opening portions

and are exposed in internal partitions the same brick is used as cke externally.

building illustrated





Each wing of the rest home has bedrooms for 20 patients; two sitting rooms, dining room and entrance hall are in the angle of the "L." The view above is taken from the entrance hall—the larger of the two sitting rooms can be seen through the glazed screen on the left—and looks down the centre corridor of the female wing. A continuous rail is fixed on each side of all circulation areas. In sitting spaces this serves as a chair rail. The corridor is lit from a continuous roof light in which the ceiling joists are exposed and painted white. These give a good diffusion of light down the corridor.

Ceilings in the sitting rooms and circulation areas are of perforated plaster board with a glass-silk quilt above. This has proved successful in giving overall quiet conditions in the building. The roof light is shown in greater detail on the left. The light fittings which are used generally in both rest home and day hospital were specially designed and consist of opal glass cylinders, open-bottomed, fixed against the ceiling. They are generally used with a 100-watt bulb and are placed at fairly close centres. The corridor walls are painted Flettons. Fairfaced brickwork is used only in corridors. The floors in the rest home are generally linoleum, but in the sitting rooms carpet, and in the kitchen plastic tiles are used. Day spaces and circulation areas have white walls and ceilings and whitemarbled floors. The bedrooms have light coloured walls and fabrics. Bright coloured curtains are used for the windows at the ends of corridors.

building illustrated

Viewpoint 6 (right) shows the day hospital. The large windows light two of the craft rooms. The building is designed round an interna l courtyard (below right); there is a continuous corridor from the reception and entrance hall which enables "confused" elderly people to walk without supervision but without getting



Ground floor plan of day hospital [Scale: 12" = 1'0"]

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CLIENT'S REQUIREMENTS

Rest home: a 40-bed rest home for convalescent patients discharged from the adjacent acute geriatric hospital. Provision for medical treatment on a hospital scale was not required here as patients would be up most of the time. A higher proportion of day accommodation was therefore required than in a hospital for acutely sick patents. Day hospital: this building was required to provide for the day-time care of up to 40 old people, geriatric patients discharged from the main hospital to live with their families, but returning in the day to make use of remedial therapies and handcrafts. A mid-day meal is provided. Warden's house: a self-contained two-bedroom house for the warden of the rest home.



into danger. This corridor is open to the courtyard on two of its sides, runs between two walls on the third side and has glass doors into the sitting room on the fourth side; in this way varying degrees of enclosure are experienced as a person walks through the building. A small kitchen is sufficient here as the meals come from the rest home kitchen and are delivered in heated and insulated trolleys as required. In addition to the craft rooms, sitting room and technical rooms, a dining room is provided here for patients' mid-day meals.



PLANNING AIMS

Rest home: of the two wings of the building, one is for men and one for women, but in each wing there is a double bedroom for an old couple. Separate sitting rooms are provided for each sex, as well as a communal suite of sitting and dining rooms.

Day hospital: the building surrounds a garden courtyard and all rooms are entered from a continuous internal corridor. This enables confused patients to walk about in safety without continuous supervision. A small sitting room is provided, but patients are mostly engaged in occupational therapy and crafts.

Warden's house: though physically separate from the rest home, visually the house forms part of the building group.

	Rest home		Day hospital		Warden's	
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ree buildings, 19-ft. 3-in. X						

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Substructure strip foundations. II-in. walls, excluding d.p.c. Concrete floors and ducts.

Rest home: a basement boiler house serving all three buildings, 19-ft. 3-in. × 18-ft. 9\frac{3}{4}\text{-in. of }4\frac{1}{2}\text{-in. external skin, asphalt tanking, 18-in. internal structural brick wall, sandwich concrete floor of 3-in. blinding concrete with 7-in. concrete floor with waterproof membrane.

Tanking to boiler house
\{ \frac{1}{2}\text{ in. in 2 layers on walls, \$1\frac{1}{6}\text{ in. in 3 layers on floor.}

STRUCTURAL ELEMENTS

Frame or load-bearing element

Work below ground level

Brick load-bearing structure described below. No frame.

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Warden's house

Type of partition 9-in. brick

4½-in. brick 3-in. clinker block

Area of each type 26 sq. ft.

55 sq. ft. 486 sq. ft.

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et into brick walls an	nd tanked.					
Roof construction			$5 2\frac{1}{4}$	5 101	5	
Simple joists. Some r	s.s.j.s halving spans. Boarde	d on top. Asbestos fascias.				
-in. glass-fibre quilt.						
	st home Day hospital	Warden's house				
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Roof lights			51	4		
Wired glass jointed w	vith lead cames. Copper flas	shings.				
No. of lights: Rest h	ome, 17. Day hospital, 18.					
Total area: 432 sq	. ft. 270 sq. ft.					
There are no roof lig	thts in the warden's house.					
Glazing			1 5	2 33		
	ome and day hospital.					
	n. plate in rest home, day h	ospital and warden's house.				
		Total of structural elements	12 31	13 51	17 2	
PARTITIONING	AND FITTINGS					
nternal partitions						
Rest home	4		2			
Type of partition	Area of each type		2 3 3 4			
-in. brick	400 sq. ft.					
½-in. brick	5,854 sq. ft.					
1-in. clinker block	1,745 sq. ft.					
Day hospital				1 6		
Type of partition	Area of each type					
1-in. brick	2,316 sq. ft.					
2-in. clinker block	1,161 sq. ft.					

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ronmongery Aluminium.				1 9	1 11	2 01
Fittings Rest home: Fitted cup	boards, racks, pigeo	n holes, drawers,	etc.	2 43		
Day hospital: Ditto				4	5 11/2	
Warden's house: Fitted	l cupboards.					3 8
		Total of	partitions and fittings	7 7	10 73	13 8
FINISHINGS						-
Floor finishes						
Rest home:				4 71		
Type of finish		Area in sq. ft.	Price per sq. yd.			
Lino		6,535	31s. 6d.			
Polyvinyl Tessellated tile		370	2IS.			
Screed only for carpe		727 1,513	37s. 4d.			

Day hospital:		Avan in a fa	Price has a		4 8	
Type of finish Special plastic		Area in sq. ft. 4,267	Price per sq yd. 29s. 1½d.			
Tessellated tile		370	29s. 12d. 37s. 4d.			
Lino		239	25s. 4d.			
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Wall finishes Plaster, except in cor- brickwork.	ridors of rest home	and day hospital,	which are fairfaced	1 54	73	2 1
Ceiling finishes				1 01	1 01/2	10
Acoustic plasterboard	l—skimmed plasterl	ooard				
Roof finishes				1 91	1 101	2 8
3-layer felt and grani	te chippings.			- 2		- '
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Decorations				2 3	2 9	3 1
2 coats of emulsion p	paint.					
			Total of finishes	11 11	10 111	13
SERVICES						*
				11	51	
External plumbing Copper flashings, ma	ainly to roof lights i	n rest home and d	lay hospital.	1.1	34	
Hot and cold water Copper tubing.	installation			2 0	1 4	2 1
Sanitary fittings				1 111	1 91	1
Type of fitting	No. of each type Rest home	Day hospital	Warden's house	*		
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Gas installation					3				
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Type of point	No. of each typ	e							
	Rest home	Day hospita	Warden's house						
Lighting	132	107	10						
Power	54 5-amp.	4 5-amp	6 13-amp				,		
	27 15-amp	27 15-amp							
Clocks	4	4							
			Total of services	19	111	21	51	21	51
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Drainage				2	81	1	1	2	91
Surface and soil d	lrains, salt glazed sto	neware.			_				_
			Totals	68	4	68	21	83	7

SUMMARY

Type of contract: RIBA form. Tender date: March 19, 1955. Work began: May, 1955. Work finished: 1958.

Rest home:

Ground floor area: 9,220 sq. ft. Total floor area: 9,612 sq. ft.

Tender price of foundations, superstructure, installations and finishes: £32,835 13s. 7d.

Tender price of external works: £2,010 5s. od.

Total: £34,845 18s. 7d.

Shillings per sq. ft. of floor area = $\frac{£32,835 \text{ I}3s. 7d.}{9,612 \text{ sq. ft.}}$

= 68s. 4d.

Day hospital:

Total floor area: 4,926 sq. ft.

Tender price of foundations, etc.: £16,793 16s. 7d. Tender price of external works: £1,222 15s. 9d.

Total: £18,016 128. 4d.

Shillings per sq. ft. of floor area = $\frac{£16,793 \text{ 16s. 7d.}}{4,926 \text{ sq. ft.}}$

 $= 68s. 2\frac{1}{4}d.$

Warden's house:

Total floor area: 705 sq. ft.

Tender price of foundations, etc.: £2,946 19s. 3d. Tender price of external works: £151 6s. od.

Total: £3,098 5s. 3d.

Shillings per sq. ft. of floor area = $\frac{£2,946 \text{ 19s. 3d.}}{705}$ = 83s. 7d.

COST COMMENTS

This scheme, although straightforward in planning and using traditional material and construction, provides a cost analysis which, broken down between the separate blocks, shows very clearly the effect of quantity factors on cost per square foot of floor area. The two hospital blocks are closely related in costs throughout: the warden's house works out at a higher cost per square foot, using the same construction and finishes as the remainder of the buildings, but condensed into a relatively small floor area. It is debatable whether a small, two-bedroom house would cost nearly £3,000 if built as a single unit, by a smaller builder organized for house building, and without carrying the overheads of the remainder of the overall scheme. Note that although central heating is installed for the main buildings, the warden's house is still provided with an ope fireplace and fuel store area. It is perhaps rather an unnecessary expense to include for this additional heating.

CONTRACTORS

General contractors: Ephraim Organ & Son. Sub-contractor Electrical and mechanical fittings: N. G. Bailey & Co. Lu Heating, ventilating and sanitary fittings: F. Church Lu Furnishers: Elliston & Cavell Ltd. Light fittings: Hiscod Appleby & Co. Ltd. Curtains, etc.: Primavera. Curtain trace Silent Gliss Ltd. Facing bricks: The Sussex & Dorkin United Brick Co. Ltd. Thermalite building blocks: Thermalit Ltd. Window frames: Boulton & Paul Ltd. Roofing fell Permanite Ltd. Sanitary ware and fittings: Dent and Helly Ltd. Ironmongery: Alfred G. Roberts Ltd. Hose reels, fiblanket: Minimax Ltd. Lino tiles: The Lino Tile Co. Ltd. Venetian blinds: London Blinds Ltd. Paints: Hadfields Ltd. Doors: John Sadd & Sons Ltd. Flooring: Stephensons & C. (Oxford) Ltd. Carter & Co.

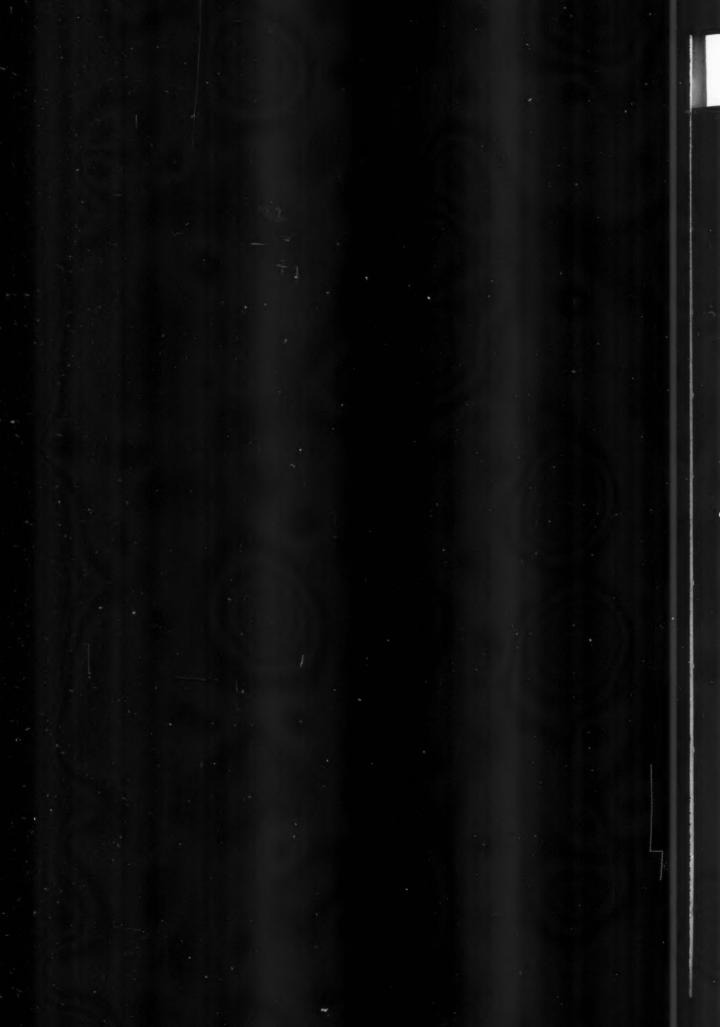
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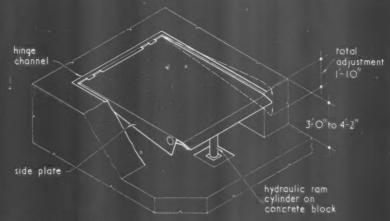
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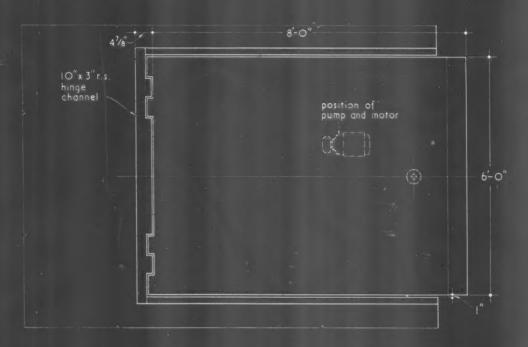


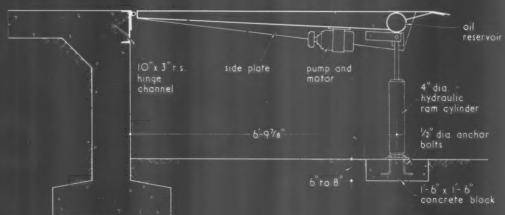
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PLAN AND SECTION OF LOADING RAMP

35.Z1 · DOCK-O-MATIC· LOADING RAMP

This Sheet describes the Dock-O-Matic loading ramp. This is a platform which may be hinged to a loading dock and is hydraulically operated to adjust itself to the varying tailboard heights of lorries, thus enabling full use to be made of current handling techniques. When not in use the platform becomes an integral part of the loading dock.

Construction

The platform is a welded steel cellular structure of extreme rigidity which is hinged from a heavy channel section grouted to the top edge of the loading dock (as shown in the section on the face of the Sheet). The top surface is a non-skid plate and deep plates provide full protection at the sides. The capacity of the platform is up to 20,000 lb., depending on working conditions.

The ram cylinder is a single-acting unit, protected against the entry of dirt and moisture and fed from an oil reservoir built into the platform as part of its structure.

The power unit is a self-contained pump and motor compactly mounted on the underside of the ramp and feeding the ram cylinder through flexible hoses.

Power supply: The equipment is wired ready for connection to the power supply and control switch and is normally provided for 240 volts, 1 phase, 50 cycles supply.

Operation

A single switch controls the raising, lowering and stopping of the ramp. The forward edge of the ramp has a total adjustment of 1 ft. 10 in., and this is normally disposed equally above and below the horizontal. The dock height can vary between 3 ft. 0 in. and 4 ft. 2 in. For operating, the ramp

is elevated so that the vehicle to be loaded or unloaded can be reversed into position. The switch is then moved to "down" and left in that position; this lowers the ramp on to the tailboard of the vehicle. The platform is designed to float automatically with the change of load and a safety cushioning device prevents the ramp from descending rapidly should the vehicle be driven away unexpectedly. When in the horizontal position, the platform becomes part of the loading bay and can sustain rolling or static loads up to 20,000 lb.

Installation

The loading ramp is very easily installed as no pipework or special wiring is required. The only building work is the provision of the pit, which is quite simply constructed, the fixing of the hinge channel, and the grouting-in of the sole plate for the ram cylinder using the four anchor bolts supplied.

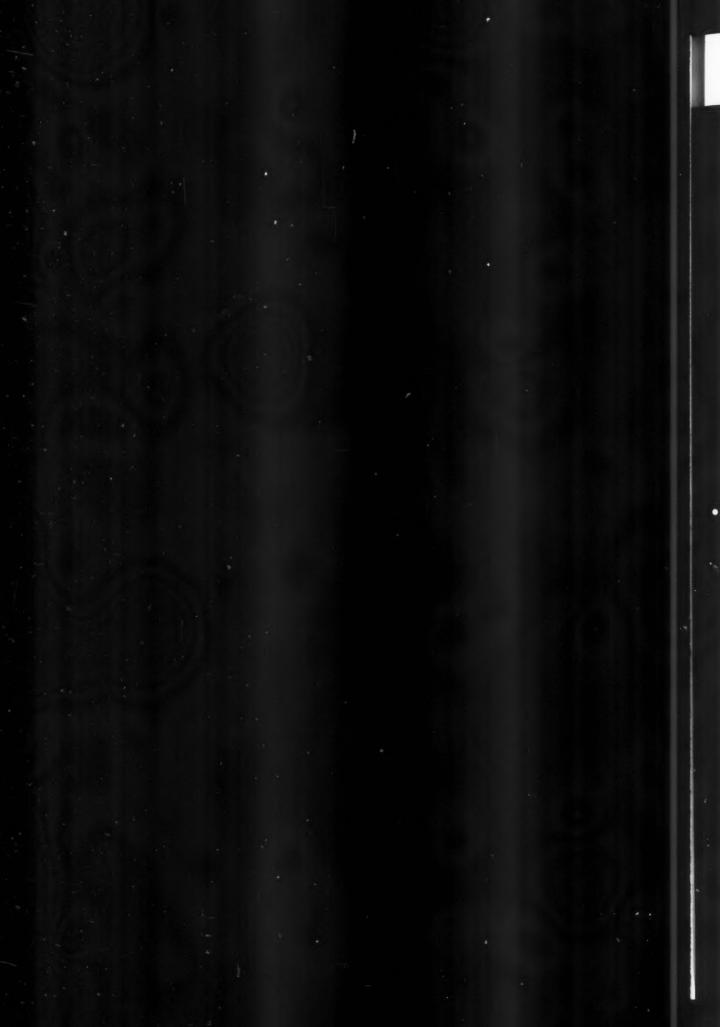
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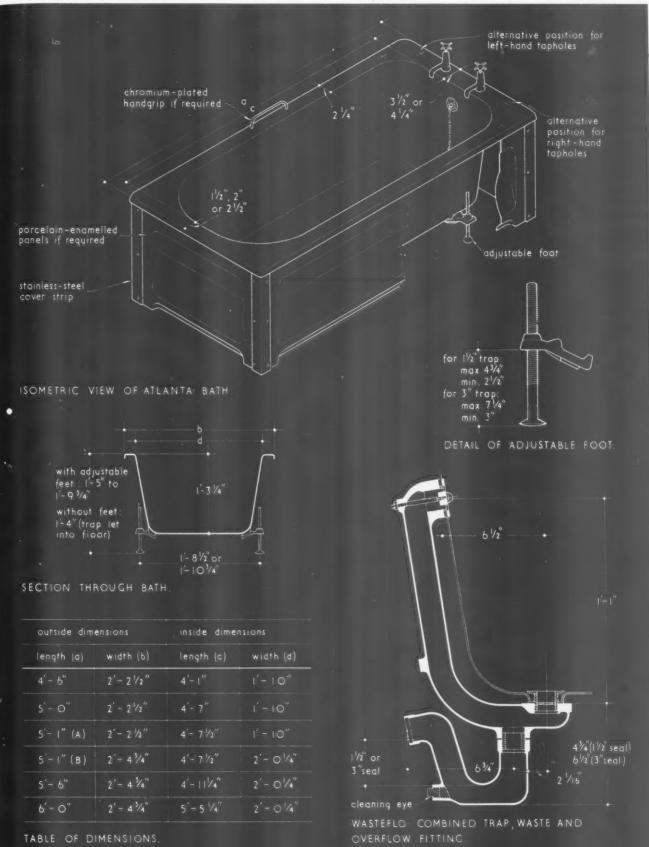
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33.S1 · ATLANTA· BATH AND · WASTEFLO· FITTING

This Sheet describes the Atlanta bath which has been specially designed with a flat bottom and lower sides than is usual. It can be supplied with provision for taps in any of three positions, and matching panels are available for boxing-in the bath if required. The Wasteflo combined waste trap and overflow fitting is especially suitable for use with the Atlanta bath.

Design and Construction

The bath is of cast iron to B.S. 1452: 1956, grade 10. The special design of flat bottom and lower sides makes it readily accessible to children and elderly or infirm people and reduces the danger of slipping. It is also particularly suitable where a shower is to be fitted over the bath. The feet can be adjusted to the required height to accommodate a standard 1½ in. or 3 in. deep seal trap, or they can be removed altogether where it is desired to sink the trap into the floor, thus obtaining the minimum overall height for the bath. Provision for taps can be central or in the right- or left-hand corner, as required. One or two hand-grips can be supplied. Cast-iron panels with toe recess, to match the bath, as shown in the drawing on the face of the Sheet, may also be obtained.

Connections: The bath is normally supplied with provision for \(\frac{3}{4}\)-in. pillar taps, \(1\frac{1}{4}\)-in. overflow and \(1\frac{1}{2}\)-in. waste, but variations can be made to suit individual requirements. It can be supplied without overflow if required.

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fittings mainly brass. Rubber washers, plug and chain are supplied.

Sizes

The range of sizes in which the Atlanta bath is available is given in the table on the face of the Sheet.

Finish

The bath is porcelain-enamelled inside and painted on the underside. Panels are also porcelain-enamelled with stainless steel cover-strips. Hand-grips are chromium-plated.

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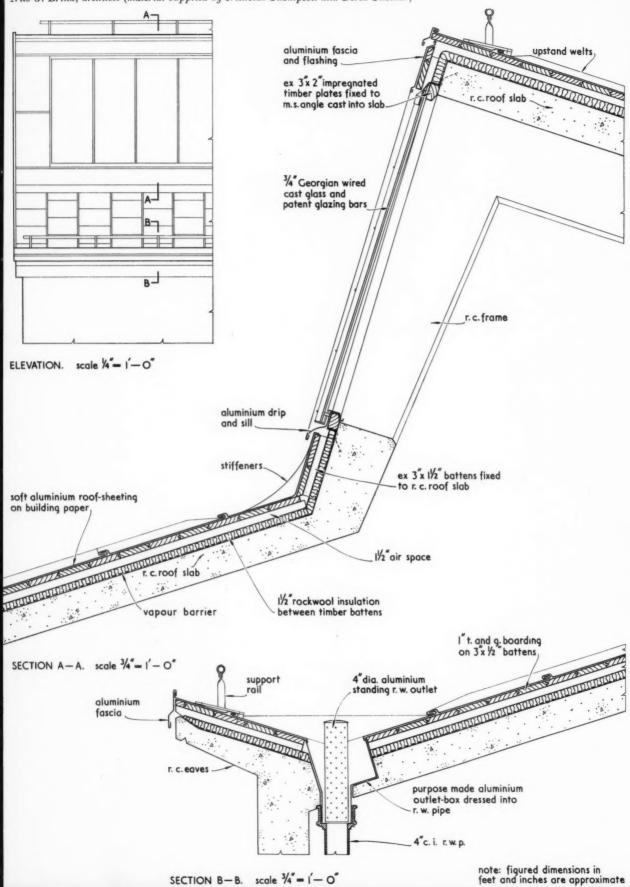


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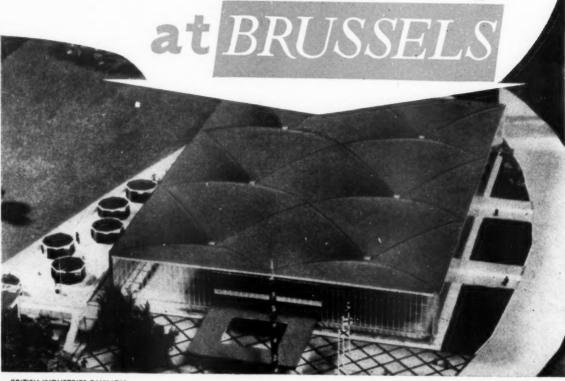
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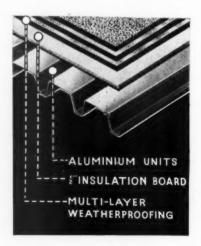
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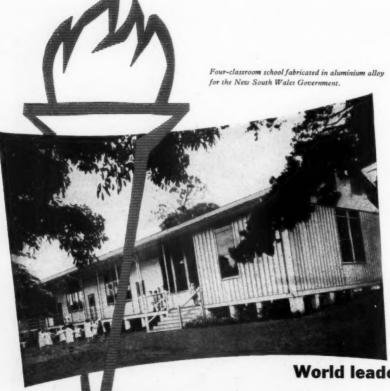
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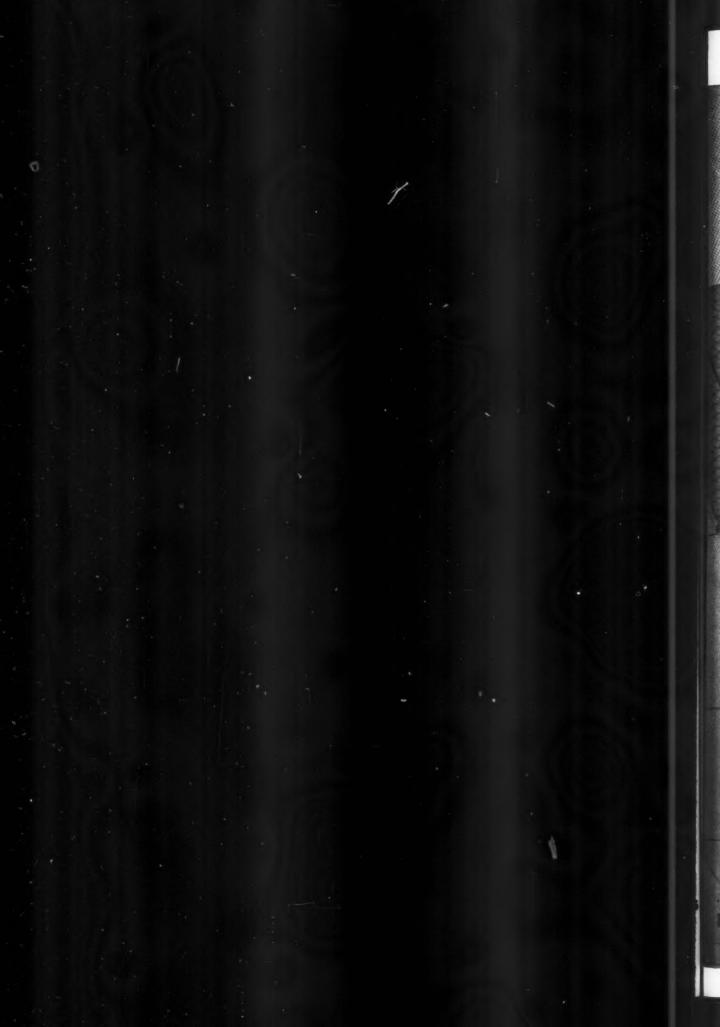
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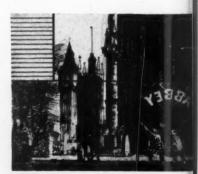


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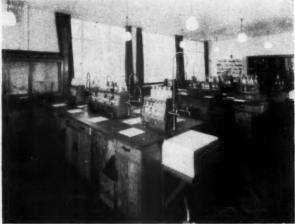
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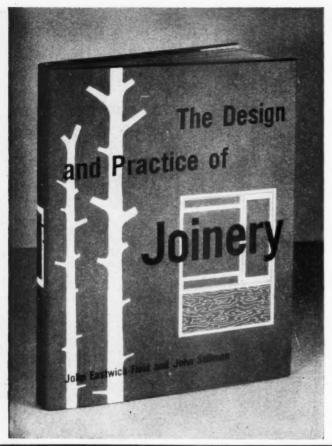
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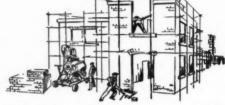
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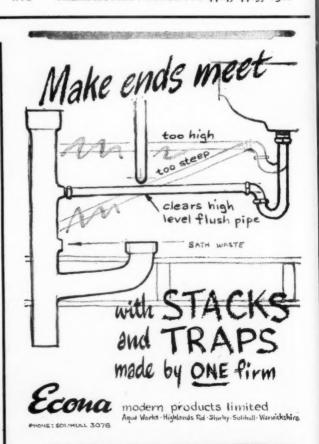
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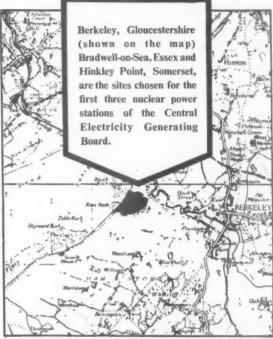
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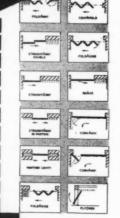
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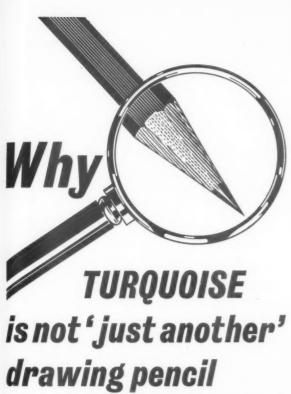
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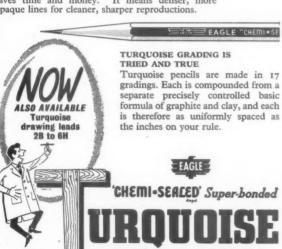
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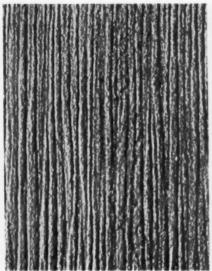
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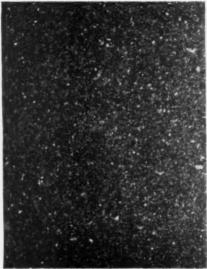
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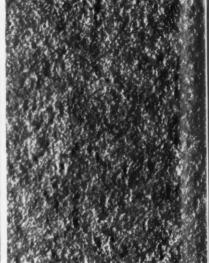
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R. S. FORSTER, Town Clerk

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APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL
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The successful applicant will be required to Pass a medical examination.

Applications, endorsed "Architectural Assistant," stating age, qualifications and experience, and accompanied by copies of two recent testimonials, should reach the undersigned not later than Friday, 9th May, 1958.

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W. R. PARKER, Town Clerk.

Municipal Buildings, Heywood. 11th April, 1958.

11th April, 1958.

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BOROUGH OF ERITH

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Appointment of:—

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(b) SENIOR ENGINEERING ASSISTANT.

(c) ENGINEERING ASSISTANT.

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Applicants should have had a good general Municipal experience.

The appointment will be subject to the scheme of Conditions of Service and the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Acts.

Applications, stating age, previous appointments, qualifications and experience, together with the names and addresses of two referees, should be sent to the Borough Engineer and Surveyor, Town Hall, Erith, Kent, not later than Monday, 5th May, 1958.

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JOHN S. WALL.

JOHN S. WALL, Town Clerk. Municipal Offices, Rotherham. 17th April, 1958.

17th April, 1958.

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Applicants should have had a good training in design and construction, and, other factors being equal, preference will be given to those having passed the Intermediate Examination of the R.I.B.A.
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Applications are invited for the post of ASSISTANT ARCHITECT-Salary Grade IV (£1,025 × £50-£1,175). Applicants must be Associates of the R.I.B.A, and must have had considerable experience in the design and supervision of education buildings.
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The appointment will be subject to the provision of the Local Government Superannuation Acts and may be terminated by one month's notice on either side. The successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination. Housing accommodation will be provided if required.
Forms of application may be obtained from the Borough Architect, The Guildhall, Swansea to whom they must be returned not later than Monday, 12th May, 1958.
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APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL
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The Council are unable to offer housing accommodation.

Forms of application may be obtained from me, to whom they should be returned, not later than Friday, 9th May, 1958.

DAVID PRITCHARD,

Town Clerk's Department

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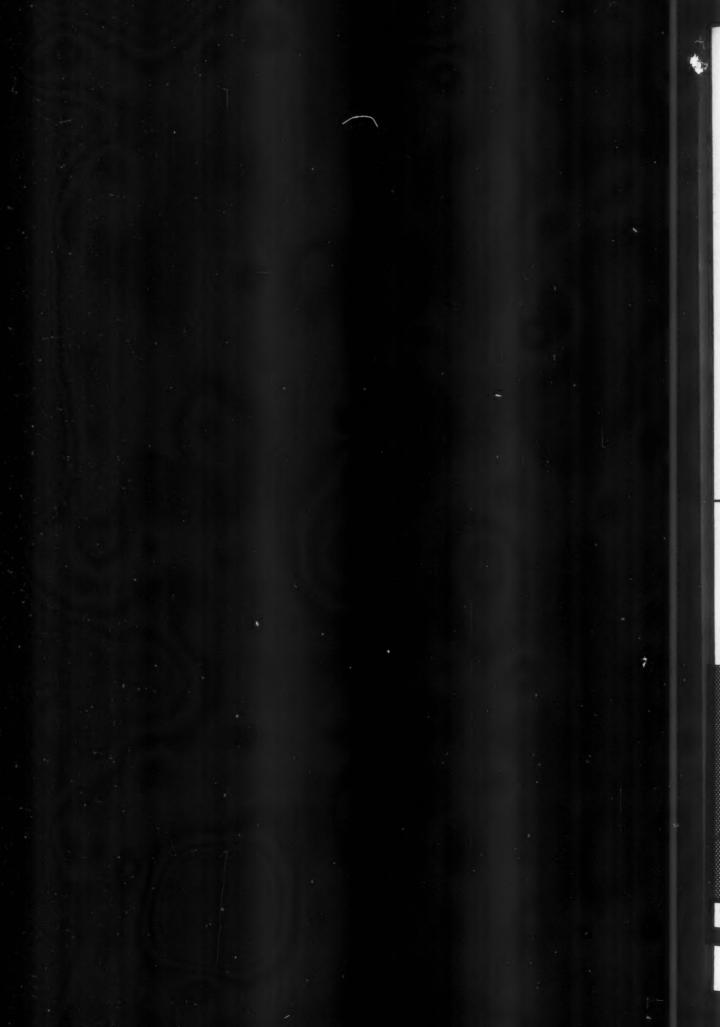
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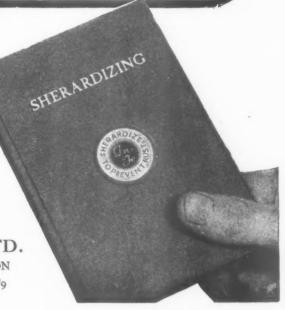
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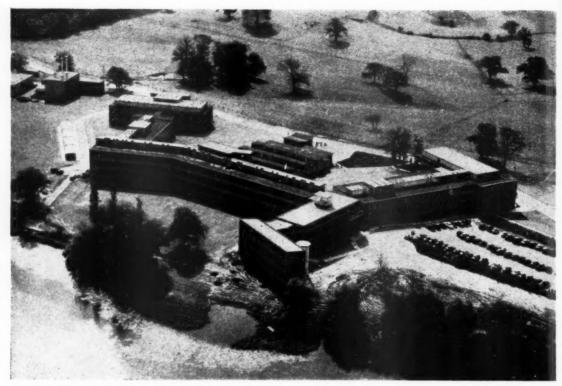
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