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BRASILIA

Hitherto it had seemed to me that Brazilian architecture, for all its obvious qualities, had to be considered under certain reserves. I thought—and I still think—that without equitable distribution of wealth, spread over all sections of the population, the basic aim of architecture, that is, its social foundation, was bound to be sacrificed and architecture reduced to merely satisfying the whims of a leisured class.

From Oscar Niemeyer's article "About My Work" in the official booklet Brasilia.

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It's magnificent, but is it town-planning for the 20th century, this superb motorized baroque axial plan for Brasilia that has been on show at the ICA? The most brilliant solutions to the traffic problem and the most superb architectural quality in its buildings and its civic design will not save Brasilia from becoming a terrible headache to the government, a bottomless financial pit, and a source of acute social conflict if it is not based on a sound social foundation and its problems realistically solved. Niemeyer's reserve about Brazilian architecture deserves to be applied equally to Brazilian town-planning, especially when done in the grand Brazilian manner.

There are evidently some very sound economic, political and social reasons for opening up the central plateau of Brazil. It does not follow that the real way to do so is to build a new capital city in it. In the handbook published by the Brazilian government J. O. de Meira Penna gives, broadly speaking, three reasons for the new capital. The first is the need to open up the central plateau and make Brazil a " continental" power; the second is to remove the "parasitical bureaucracy" that flourishes in the heat and humidity of Rio to a site with an equable climate in which an efficient administration can better devote itself to the task of solving the nation's problems; the third is to insulate the government from the influence of the press and the people. "A large city," says Penna, " with its pressures, its passions, its economic





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Rashest Remark "The spirit was willing, but the flêche is weak" a wit is reported to have observed about Nuffield College, according to the Oxford Times, which published a special supplement on the college following the presentation of a Royal Charter by the Duke of Edinburgh recently. This new, and oddly out of scale, addition to Oxford's dreaming spires is not the only feature about Nuffield College which has been criticized, and readers will note in the photographs above, the crudeness of doorways, of the Hall ceiling and the fussy prettiness of the planting and paving in the upper quadrangle. The building is not yet finished, but accom-modation is planned for about 40 students and fellows living in, and studies for another 30 or so living out. There is a Hall seating up to 100, a library (in the tower), seating 60, and holding nearly 100,000 books, and various common rooms and administrative buildings. The estimated cost is £650,000. This gives a figure per place of approximately £10,000. It is startling to compare this with the University Grants Committee's advice of a figure of £1,500 per place, or the MOE's figure for teachers' training colleges of only £1,000 per place; and it is reasonable to question whether the more expensive building is, proportionally, more worth

having, in architectural terms, than one that is only onesixth the price. According to the Oxford Times it was Lord Nuffield, the founder of the college, who insisted on the college building being, externally, at least, largely traditional, in Clipsham stone, and with a stone-tiled roof, and he also wanted a spire, despite the objections by purists to having a spire in Oxford on a secular building. The Duke quoted Lord Nuffield as saying that " it can be said without fear of contradiction that Nuffield College will improve the appearance of Oxford if nothing more," a remark which the Duke described as "by far the rashest remark ever made in this City." Bearing in mind the money spent, and the time and care lavished over this building, it would be fair to say that this building is also by far the greatest opportunity missed in post-war Oxford, and will stand as lasting evidence of a great industrialist's fear of progress in architecture. However, it is to be hoped that our senior universities will learn, from the small return in terms of architecture for this vast expenditure in time, energy and money, exemplified by Nuffield College, that there is no satisfactory answer to our twentieth-century building problems to be gained by escape into the styles of the past.

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interests, the exaggerations of a very vocal press, and the constant danger arising from an emotional populace, is not the proper seat for a federal government." Is it unreasonable to ask whether this means that a South American government would feel safer in a capital city where the entire population consists of the state bureaucracy, and the problems of the "emotional populace" are far away? What reason is there to suppose that a change of the physical climate will by itself transform indolent bureaucrats into do-gooders charged with a sense of mission, or that an expensive new capital will make the Brazilian coffee kings any more willing to pay for schools, houses and hospitals than they are today?

Still, the capital is going to be built. Work has already started. And Niemeyer's first commission is to build a Presidential Palace outside the city limits. Again, one asks, why start with the Presidential Palace? Where is the building programme? How is it to be phased over the years? What is the order of priorities? Whatever questions one asks about Brasilia, Costa's report or the official descriptions invariably fail to provide any answer. If Costa's report, admittedly no more than an outline of a brilliant idea, has been worked out, there is no sign of it at the exhibition. It is, apparently, to be a bureaucrats' city, with a negligible amount of industry, though a substantial amount of offices and an incredible number of banks rising in a cluster of skyscrapers. It is to be dominated by the tallest building in Brazil-the office tower of the Parliament buildings. How many civil servants there are to be, and what employment there is to be for their sons, daughters and wives, we are not told. The drawings published are purely diagrammatic: there is no scale, so that one cannot even see whether the city is to be two miles long or 20. The traffic solution sounds excellent: but not even a trained mind-reader can be sure it will work from the meagre information provided; there is not even a road diagram. How large are the residential "super-squares" or neighbourhoods, and how many people is each to contain? Since they are all to be sold off to speculators for development (a proposal that no doubt commended the plan to Brazilian developers) what reason is there to suppose that there will be lowcost housing for the low-paid bureaucrats? How much is Brasilia going to cost? How is it going to be financed? If, when the Brazilian Chancellor decides he can't afford all the trimmings, what is going to go? Not the Presidential Palace, evidently. The houses perhaps? or the schools? or the motorways?

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Possibly there are convincing explanations on all these points. But it is a pity that Brasilia was put on show in London and in Brussels with such meagre information, leaving the impression that it is a town plan of the old kind in a new guise: the maestro's brilliant inspiration, not backed by the essential work of analysis and development.

M. M.

The Editors

RIBA ELECTION RESULTS

THE RIBA Council election results, published on page

963, make interesting, if inconclusive, reading to the non-expert in electoral methods. It would seem obvious

that the large vote given to Cleeve Barr is the measure of the great confidence in which he is rightly held by the profession, both for his work as an architect and for the statesmanlike way in which he criticized the RIBA at the recent AGM. Thurston Willians, who was also elected, is probably similarly known to the voting members of the profession for the motion he put at the well-known AGM of 1955 and for the comments he made at the last. Indeed his vote has increased over last year's by several hundred.

The other results are puzzlingly inconclusive. It is hard to see from a study of the candidates' election addresses, or from a slight knowledge of their careers, why the profession so markedly prefers Sheppard Fidler (F) to, say, Frederick Pooley (F), or Harold Conolly (F) to L. C. Howitt (F), all of whom are high up in local government. why Ralph Tubbs (F) reputed to be one of the quieter members of the RIBA Council, and certainly no great propagandist outside it, is so much more popular than Llewelyn Davies (F) or Douglas Jones (F). Similarly, why has Clifford Culpin (F) a lead over Bryan Westwood (F), John Eastwick-Field (A) over John Whitfield-Lewis (A) and William Howell over Geoffrey Powell? Dr. Thomas Sharp (L) collected the highest votes of all but this is not necessarily due to his popularity, considerable though it may be, but merely because he is outstanding in the small category of Licentiates. It would seem from this list that votes do not go necessarily to the avant garde, to the big practitioner or the big talker, but fall almost at random.

The fact that, despite recent important happenings in Portland Place, only 26 per cent. of the profession voted shows the profession's lamentable indifference to its affairs, and, probably, its resignation to the fact that the directly elected members to Council are only a minority anyway and are therefore hardly worth voting for. Perhaps the new committee which is to be set up to consider the reconstruction of the council will remedy this.

FEWER BUILDINGS

The interim report of the NFBTE speaks with concern of the plight in which the industry finds itself. Compared with a year ago, there are 45,000 fewer building workers and 13,000 more unemployed. For industrial buildings the value of new contracts let is one-fifth less than the value of completions and large contractors are now eager to tender for small jobs and work outside their normal area. The fierceness of competition is illustrated by one £100,000 job quoted in the report, for which 42 tenders were received. From another

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source we learn that tenders have dropped by a healthy average of 10 to 15 per cent.

The most regrettable consequence of this situation is the unemployment. The shortage of work comes, for the contractors, after a long phase of prosperity. It should cause suppliers and sub-contractors also to reduce their prices, perhaps even cause breaches in price agreements and rings and make the medium size builder look to the efficiency of his management and organization.

The good news for both architects and builders is of course the fall in the bank rate to 5 per cent. and the increase in Initial Allowance against tax to 15 per cent. for buildings and 30 per cent. for plant and machinery. Clients are now more free to unshelve projects and start new ones, but the effect may be delayed for it takes perhaps between one and two years from the decision to build to start of work on the site. Architects and quantity surveyors may breathe again, but the volume of building going on will probably not pick up for several months.

We can only reiterate the advice given by the NFBTE itself that builders should "review the structure of their firms and reshape their internal organizations" and the plea made recently by Stanley Farrow (LMBA president) for the abandonment of wasteful and indiscriminate open tendering.



KEEPING UP DOWNING STREET

The committee on the preservation of Downing Street (architect member, Sir Howard Robertson) has made its report. It wants to preserve the appearance of the exteriors—apart from the rebuilding of no. 12 to its full height (it is now only one storey)—and to strengthen and reconstruct the buildings. The cost for the operation, which will involve the preservation of rooms and features of architectural importance and the replanning of the rest of the interior, will be about £400,000. The Minister of Works has appointed Raymond (Regency) Erith—ASTRA-GAL'S nomination as Top Academician —to do the work.

By any standards this is an expensive plan. But we all hate demolishing buildings with the slightest historical associations-even if the walls are cracked and without foundation, the floors sagging and the roof rottingso, this is probably the best compromise decision. Still, couldn't we surround the features of merit (two staircases, the State rooms, the Cabinet room and the Soane rooms) with an entirely new building, properly planned for its important function? Perhaps Mr. Erith will be allowed to put forward a good new solution-if his examination of the problem shows it to be worth while. Let's hope we see any new proposals before it is too late.

Incidentally, the committee's report should make worrying reading for Harold Macmillan, who was mainly responsible for the triumphant postwar return of the spec. builder. "Because they were built originally as a speculation," says the report, "these houses (annual maintenance, over £8,000) were not as solidly constructed as, say, the average family mansion intended to last for generations."

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FILING ISN'T ENOUGH

Did you read Eric Bird's masterly paper on "The Problems of Technical Information" in last week's JOURNAL? ASTRAGAL, who heard the discussion which followed this paper at the RIBA, was reminded of a huge traffic jam. Everyone knew what was holding him up, but no one, by himself, could do anything about it.

The problems Mr. Bird talked about are corporate problems and they can only be solved by corporate means. It was clear from the discussion that a lot of people now recognise this, and that the time is close when decisive moves can be taken. There are one or two little things to be done first, like the standardising of paper sizes and the agreement of a classification. But the greatest difficulties will be found in knocking information into shape. You can classify and file for ever, but it won't get you anywhere if the stuff you're filing is no good. Knocking information into shape-even trying, as the AJ does, to do so-is expensive. Dargan Bullivant, the AJ Research Fellow in this subject (remember?) startled the meeting when he pointed out that the IEE spends 17 per cent. of its annual budget on information for members, while the RIBA spends only 5 per cent.

An information service, as Thomas Mitchell so rightly pointed out, doesn't make an architect; it only gives him time to be one. And that, of course, is just what everyone wants.

A DIFFERENT ANGLE

So the Pembroke Coast National Park is to have an iron ore dump. It will be very close to Angle, which the Minister of Housing, Henry Brooke, calls "one of the most pleasant and unspoiled villages in the Park." He would not, however, "be justified in refusing to grant the planning permission." Why? "On the balance of advantages in the national interest."

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Park will Aincalls and He in nisof st." By approving this dump—and he did it very discreetly, without much publicity, through his Welsh office—the Minister has given us a test case. It is now obvious that when the National Park is considered against major industrial development, industry is to win every time. This will doubtless help other would-be developers to strengthen their arguments, such as the owner of some cliff-top land at Littlehaven who wants to develop it for housing, with the support of the RDC, and has appealed against the County Council's refusal.

WELLS COATES

The name of Wells Coates does not mean as much as it should to young architects today, partly because a lot of his recent work was done in Canada, and partly because many of his latest projects didn't come to anything. But all architects—particularly those who were active in the 1930's —must know enough about him to realize that his sudden death in Canada is a real loss to the profession.

This original and sensitive designer never got the opportunities his talents deserved. He was a pioneer: Lawn Road Flats; Embassy Court, Brighton; 10 Palace Gate, London, and so on were among the first buildings of their kind in this country. He was passionately interested in design-in the design of buildings, door-handles or sailing boats. And he was a serious designer and thinker-as his colleagues in the early days of the MARS Group found. He was never a fashion Modern architecture owes monger. more to him than many people realize.

SON ET LUMIERE

Son by E.M.I., et Lumiere, by Atlas Lighting Ltd., is to turn Greenwich Palace sky blue pink again this summer, for the delight of visitors to London and the profit-if any-of the Ministry of Works. This was announced with great affability by the Minister, at a Press conference he held in the wine celler of Henry VIII, otherwise known as Charles Laughton, whose faintly sinister lisp will be the principal sound to be magnified by E.M.I. this year. In the hey day of this wine celler canapes mounted on such very stale biscuits would surely have been disastrous to somebody's life or limbs. However, these are civilized days and Hugh Molson's ears were not severed.



New Town, or Neo-Georgian Town? Hemel Hempstead Development Corporation, as this advertisement from the Daily Telegraph shows, has gone into the "architect-designed Georgian-style residence" business.

Indeed, he even heard the obvious, though unasked, question — "Why Greenwich again?" He replied that he would have loved to "do" the Tower, but he couldn't charge five shillings in a place with a right of way running through the courtyards.

And Hampton Court? This, apparently, is full of elderly Grace-and-Favour ladies, who wouldn't like the *Son* after their bedtime. So what about the Stately Homes—particularly that enterprising one with the coffee machine, the peep-show and other sensational trimmings?

THINKING ALOUD

On the correspondence page Reyner Banham replies to the remarks made here two weeks ago about R. Buckminster Fuller's unintelligible jargon. ASTRAGAL, who was not alone in making this criticism, feels that if Mr. Fuller wants to be understood he should do what so many other speakers have found it worth while to do-to prepare what he is going to say, and not to assume that whatever pops into his mind is worth popping into someone else's. Mr. Banham may like to know that a proposed television broadcast of the great man was cancelled because the producer felt that something like six months was needed to prepare Mr. Fuller for the task of saying something remotely intelligible. This programme would have been for the lay public, of course, not for professional men like ourselves with an anticipatory listening technique who readily, that is to say-well, the fundamental things about the process, and I'm thinking aloud now—or to put it another way is, does Mr. Fuller understand Mr. Banham?

IS THAT YOU, PADDY?

A novel about an architect is rare enough-and more's the pity-but one with a town planning officer as its hero is surely unprecedented. Sandy Ferguson-the "I" of The Hard Man, by W. J. White*-is a pleasant, cosily married and diffident young architect who gives up his struggling one-man practice in Dublin to join the Planning Office, only to find that the meshes of the Old Boy network, and the daily struggle with his conscience and conflicting loyalties make the hoped for security an illusion. "How I wish," he reflects, "an application for permission to build could just be a signature on a form, and not a telephone conversation beginning, 'Is that you, Paddy? '"

The story ambles along at what might be called T. & C.P. pace—there is a mild domestic quarrel and an extra-mural flirtation. Professional problems are shrewdly observed but are kept generally at a distance. A sea-rescue and a heath fire provide brief notes of drama and the whole business fades out as inconclusively as it began. Recommended, nevertheless, to all colleagues, if only for the description (on p. 130) of what really happens when you instruct a contractor to clean up a building site.

ASTRAGAL

* Jonathan Cape. 15s.



Theo H. Crosby, A.R.I.B.A. Technical Editor, Architectural Design Peter Jay, M.A. Reyner Banham, B.A.

Paul V. Mauger, F.R.I.B.A.

" A Perplexed Planner"

G. Noel Hill, F.R.I.B.A. County Architect, Lancashire

C. P. Moon, A.R.I.B.A.

Is BoT A Square?

SIR,—Reyner Banham's onslaught on the Board of Trade is beside the point. No one expects bureaucrats or diplomats to know about architecture or design. It is a matter for congratulation that they and the Embassy are prepared to go to a deal of trouble to find and exhibit the work of leading modern architects; and, who knows, they may be right about the Iraqis pre-ferring exciting architecture. I do myself. And anyway, does the interesting case of H. Muthesius really come into it?

THEO CROSBY.

London.

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SIR,—While it must be admitted that the letter from the Board of Trade quoted by Revner Banham in the AJ for June 19 is sufficiently absurd, it is to be doubted whether any harassed Civil Servant will have learned much from Mr. Banham's comments.

One of the reasons why architecture is so little understood in this country is because the journalists who write about it seem more interested in polemics than in exposition. Is Mr. Banham seriously trying to suggest that British architects ought not to try to obtain a foothold in Iraq? or that the Board of Trade is responsible for the state of architecture at the present time?

Further, I suggest that Mr. Banham is quite wrong, and that tail fins do help to sell Cadillacs to oil sheikhs, and that the officials of the Board of Trade, however ill-informed about architecture, have understood the attitude of the Iraqi government officials far better than Mr. Banham. As for whether there are in England any

architects of the stature of Le Corbusier and Frank Lloyd Wright (is it really necessary to refer to them as "Frankie" and "Corb" in print?)-that is another matter.

PETER JAY.

[Reyner Banham replies: Theo Crosby, who is an interested party, might at least be grateful for the free plug. Mr. Jay, appa-rently overcome by zeal for battle, seems to have misread or misconstrued my comments, to judge from his second paragraph, for I suggested neither of the ideas he brandishes in my face. Clearly, Mr. Jay is quite as interested in polemics as he believes me to be: his letter would carry more weight if he could produce facts to substantiate his assertions about sheikhs, tail-fins and Iraqi government officials.]

Is Banham A Square?

SIR,—It was a disappointment to see ASTRAGAL joining with Abner, and other powers of darkness, in suggesting that Buckminster Fuller is incomprehensible, and needs my services (or John McHale's) as an interpreter. May one suggest that ASTRAGAL, Abner et al. merely need their ears washed out?

Admittedly, Mr. Fuller's ideas are not the busted platitudes normally hawked around by speakers going through the motions of being profound about architecture, and his derision of Louis Sullivan's kindergarten jingle Form follows Function was probably as distasteful to the New Establishment as his reminding us that the theory of structures and the technology of materials were not taught at the Bauhaus (Gropius has admitted as much). Thus it was necessary to admit new thoughts into the mind while listening to Mr. Fuller, and those who found this a strain might do well to examine their own mental capacities before questioning his.

The tone of press comment on Mr. Fuller's various speeches gave a devasta-ting picture of the mental age of the public voices of English architecture. ASTRAGAL, to his credit, was not the first-Abner's statement that he never cared much for geodesic domes struck the lowest note of irresponsibility. No doubt plastic theory also gives him a pain, and post tensioning drives him right up the curtain wall, but personal neuroses about the laws of Physics personal neuroses about the laws of Physics are not the sort of thing a grown man parades in public unless he wants to look stupid. As for the *Builder's* statement that Mr. Fuller is "a mystic," one can only assume that this was achieved by not listen-ing to his factual explanations of his domes, nor looking at the clider of thom and met looking at the slides of them, and not having the OED at hand to check the mean-ing of "mystic."

We seem to be witnessing a repeat of what the boys did to Corb in the 20s and 30s the dead-heads lifting quotations out of context and claiming they don't mean any-thing, the smart-alecs climbing on the bandwaggon by cribbing the outward forms, without understanding the methods and mental disciplines behind them. Some of the latter may never know how much they owe to Mr. Fuller's gentleness and gentle-manly unwillingness to sue, for his designs are safely locked up in a world-wide network of patents that is far from mystical in its thoroughness.

No one is obliged to believe everything he -he is not a Pugin preaching a narrowminded creed and demanding absolute faith. He is a practical man interested (among other things) in moving ideas around. Some of the ideas are new or unfamiliar, he has to use new and unfamiliar words to handle them, but the interpretations of the words were built into the contexts in which they were uttered-all you had to do was pay attention.

Students, on the whole, seem to have been much more attentive than their elders, and clearly got a lot more out of him. Is it too much to hope that one of our "pro-gressive" schools of architecture will honour their attentiveness and invite him much back for a full-scale seminar, but soon-or are we content to lag behind the Commonwealth and the Continent in our willingness to exercise our minds? REVNER BANHAM

London. [ASTRAGAL'S reply: page 961.]

Visual Education

-A group of us concerned with visual SIR education had a stimulating experience last year on visiting the exhibition of students' year on visiting the exhibition of students' work at the Shoreditch Training College, Cooper's Hill, Englefield Green, Egham, Surrey. The exhibits included wood and metal work, book-binding, calligraphy of superb quality and examples of the work of the students' sketching clubs, and we were the more impressed because we had only recently come to know of this LCC College and to meet its Principal E E College and to meet its Principal, E. F. Marshall.

I judge from our experience that the College may not be nearly as well known in the profession as it should be. I hear from Mr. Marshall that this year's exhibi-tion is to be held on July 5, 7 and 8. There may be architects who would welcome the opportunity of visiting the College on this occasion.

Welwyn.

What Would You Do?

SIR,-I have some sympathy with the pleas of some of your readers who ask to be "set free" from planning control. But I should welcome some suggestions from the archi-tectural profession on the wisdom of "setting free" an architect who designs a single storey bank to look like a Victorian chapel with a neo-Georgian doorway under a stepped and curved pediment-and a porthole—to boot. Thus the front elevation: the rear elevation suggests a traditional bungalow with a flat-roofed garage added as an afterthought.

This creation is to be set in a charming curving Georgian street, of noble propor-tions; and set forward, if you please, for all to see and (?) admire.

Perhaps I could quote a well-known archi-tectural writer here: An unwillingness to face the test of put-

and advantagiess to face the test of par-ting modern buildings alongside the finest old buildings is presumably due to the mistrust of our own architects' ability to keep up the standard set by our predecessors. I wonder who ought to be "set free"-

and from what?

A PERPLEXED PLANNER!

Highest Paid County?

SIR,-In your issue of June 19, ASTRAGAL stated that "the average architect's salary today in the best paid County office is £1,080 per year," but investigation would have revealed the average in my own office is (excluding Architect and Deputy): Actual today, £1,129 At maximum of grade, £1,183.

Preston.

Though this may show a better average it is still too low.

G. NOEL HILL,

RIBA Subscription

Your correspondent G. A. D. Ham-SIR mond (AJ, June 19) is in error in assuming that the annual subscription to the RIBA does not rank as a business expense. Provided membership is a condition of employnent, and this is certified by the authority concerned, the Inspector of Taxes will allow the amount in full. This also applies to the Retention fee of the ARCUK. C. P. MOON.

Sutton-cum-Granby.

[The Editors write: Under the current Finance Bill, certification by the employer will no longer be required.]

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NEWS BERLIN COMPETITION

Prize-winners Announced

As we go to press we learn that Peter Smithson (in association with Alison Smithson and Peter Sigmonde-Wonke) has been placed equal third in the competition for the replanning of the centre of Berlin. An aerial perspective of this scheme is printed in the adjoining columns. We expect to be able to publish the full list of prize-winners next week, and to publish the win-eing plans when they become available. ning plans when they become available.

BRITISH SANITARY FIRECLAY ASSOCIATION

Sink Design Competition

Sink Design Competition The British Sanitary Fireclay Association have announced the result of their com-petition for the design of a kitchen sink. The assessors were David L. Medd, archi-tect, R. V. Cooper, and the President of the National Federation of Clay Industries. The assessors decided that as none of the 185 designs submitted was outstanding to rearrange the awards as follows: First (£60) G. A. Carter, A.R.I.B.A., and Miss M. Atkinson (Bromley); Second (£50) Peter Gray, B.ARCH. (London); Third (£30) David E. Clark (Chilwell); Fourth (£25) W. D. B. Rotherham (London); Fifth (three of £15) A. J. Short (West Bridgford), Peter H. Liley, A.R.I.B.A. (Macclesfield), John Hoile, A.R.I.B.A. (London), and Eighth (two of £10) Richard L. Staniland (Oxford), Mary G. Jones (Harrogate). (Harrogate).

An assessor's report is being prepared. Illustrations of the winning designs have not yet been released.

RIBA COUNCIL, 1958-59

Election Result

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	William Gough Howell Leslie Hugh Wilson Harold Conolly	votes 1,200 1,176 1,171
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CANDIDATES NOT ELECTED

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Bryan Percy Westwood 1	,135
Frederick Bernard Pooley 1	,112
Herbert John Whitfield Lewis 1	,103
William Eden Tatton Brown (Hertford) 1	,066
Aldwyn Douglas Jones (Birmingham)	977
Richard Llewelyn Davies	974
Leonard Cecil Howitt (Manchester)	945
Geoffry Charles Hamilton Powell	923
Arthur Brian Bunch	900
Peter Browning Dunham	896
John Michael Austin-Smith	844
Robert William Paine (Fordwich, near	
Canterbury)	841
Robert MacKellar (Newcastle upon	
Tyne)	826
Harry Judson (Horbury, near	
Wakefield)	802
Michael Pattrick	773
Cecil Max Lock	751
Harold Arthur Rolls (Leighton	
Buzzard)	731
W. Norman Oliver (Bridport)	686
Cecil Howitt (Nottingham)	652
Charles Howard Simmons (Shrewsbury)	608
Robert Duncan Scott (Guildford)	540
Richard Alfred Simmons (Abbots	
Langley)	543
Eric Samuel Ambrose	521
Dewi Prys Thomas	521
Alexander John Gordon	510
Harold Bruce Allsopp (Stocksfield)	454
Miss Elsbeth Fordyce Stronach (Heston) 44
Robert Forbes Hutchison (Edinburgh)	43
Henry Ronald Ewart Knight (High	
Wycombe)	42
Philip Raymond Bee	40
Cyril Francis Bates (Newport, Mon.)	34
Charles Herbert Bingham-Powell	
(Surbiton)	31
Donald Plaskett Marshall	19
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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Architects' Society Formed

The Local Government Architects' Society was formed at a well attended and nationally representative meeting held at the RIBA last Friday. Some 250 architects in local government, the new towns, hospital boards and public utilities adopted a motion setting up the organization, elected a Provisional Executive and instructed it to make recommendations on a series of organizational questions to a delegate meeting to be held in about six months' time. The motion, which was moved by Thurston Williams (LCC) on behalf of the Preparatory Committee, was as follows:

"This meeting of architects in Local Government, New Town Development, the Public Utilities and the Hospital Boards expresses its dissatisfaction at the present level of status and salary of the salaried architect.

"It is conscious of the role played by the existing trade unions, as a result of whose efforts architects, along with their professional and non-professional colleagues, have received many benefits.

"But, in order to make further advances possible, the meeting believes there to be a need to strengthen immediately the representation of architects in the negotiating machinery affecting their conditions of service.

"To do this the meeting proposes to form a Local Government Architects' Society. "The new Society shall have a Provisional Executive Committee, elected by the meeting, with instructions to consider and report after six months to a representative meeting of members on the following issues: 1. The participation, along with other professional organizations, in any discussion or negotiation that may lead to the formation of a 'professions' panel within the Nat-

ional Joint Council for Local Government. 2. The range and scope of membership. 3. The organizational form of the Society. 4. Its financial policy and rate of subscription. 5. Relations with (a) the RIBA; (b) other trade unions having architect members. 6. Methods of publicity. 7. A draft constitution.

"The meeting calls on all architects to support the new Society; future success will require the active participation of all those whom the Society will represent."

In the course of discussion the motion was amended by deleting the word "other" in paragraph 5 (b) and by inserting a sentence which requires elections of new officers and a committee to be held within three months of the delegate meeting that is, among other things, to adopt a Constitution and to determine the final name of the organization The motion as amended was carried without a single vote against it, and with but one abstention.

It was apparent from the start that those present represented many more than themselves. A glance at the attendance sheets revealed that while there were relatively few architects from the London offices, delegates were present from every part of the country. Many announced in the course of the discussion that they had been elected by meetings and represented whole offices, and it was stated from the platform that over 100 offices were in fact represented.

The chair was taken at the start by Richard Sheppard, the chairman of the RIBA ad hoc committee, who launched it with the RIBA's blessing and withdrew in the course of the meeting (owing, he said with a grin, to a "domestic mistake") handing the chair over to Thurston Williams, who was on the platform as the spokesman of the Preparatory Committee. Mr. Williams piloted the meeting through a rather stiff organizational agenda in a limited time at a brisk (if at times over-brisk) pace that gave the meeting time to take all the necessary decisions before people had to leave. The most striking characteristic of the meeting was its determination to take no decisions on principle, but to refer all disputed issues to the Provisional Executive, giving it a free hand to make any recommendations it likes. The questions raised, however, did indicate the problems that the Society has to face.

The first of these is the scope of membership. A proposal to exclude chief architects and their deputies in the first six months was defeated. So was a proposal to include students and unqualified assistants; during the discussion on this point the interesting fact emerged that the local government lawyers have a separate section of unqualified solicitors' clerks. A. M. Harris, Northamptonshire County Architect, speaking for his department, strongly pressed the case for an all-embracing society to negotiate for assistants in private as well as public practice, and moved an amendment which stated that the Society would later make way for the all-embracing one he had in mind. But this was defeated, as was another that the organization be called "The Association of Salaried and Registered Architects," which had a similar purpose. On the other hand, it was also pointed out that the name "Local Government Architects' Society" was too restrictive, as from the start it includes members from other sections of the public service, and it was conceded that the name of the Society would also have to be reviewed. The rejection of these motions, it should be emphasized, did not necessarily imply rejection of the idea put forward, but mertely reflected the meeting's refusal to take policy decisions.

It was agreed that until the next meeting recruitment would have to be confined to registered architects or **RIBA** members working for local authorities, new towns, hospital boards and certain utilities. Architect planners are eligible though not working in architects' departments, but apparently

such bodies as the nationalized railways and the National Coal Board are not yet included.

The second major problem is clearly the setting up of the Professions Panel (Thurston Williams said this was the main task of the Society) and its relations with Nalgo. Richard Sheppard indicated that there would have to be some hard bargaining both inside and outside Nalgo, and although a large proportion of those present seemed to be Nalgo members, there were others who stressed the fact that they were not, or were (in one case) opposed to it.

H. Judson, representing 60 architects in the West Riding office, asked why the LGAS should succeed when the Association of Local Government Engineers and Surveyors had got nowhere with Nalgo in 10 years, and referred to a resolution passed by Nalgo's annual conference last week refusing to accept any society in the Professions Panel that had not at least 60 per cent of its members in Nalgo. Thurston Williams thought that this could be regarded as "guidance" to Nalgo's leadership, and capable of modification.

Other questions that rose can be dealt with more briefly. A proposal to elect the Provisional Executive on a regional basis was defeated, although it was made clear that here, again, a regional organization for the Society itself was not excluded at all. Thurston Williams' explanation that the next meeting, in six months' time, would be a delegate meeting (so that the man with a flat near the RIBA office would not be in a more favoured position that the man in the provinces) was well received. It was explained by Thurston Williams that the RIBA could not finance the Society, and a temporary subscription of 5s. was paid by those present as a prior condition to balloting for the Temporary Executive. Kenneth J. Campbell made a most friendly speech on behalf of ABT promising its wholehearted co-oper;tion. Thurston Williams, in this connection, advised members not to sever connections with existing trade unions, such as Nalgo, ABT and the LCC Staff Association. Interim reports of the work of the Provisional Executive Committee, he indicated, can be expected.

The Provisional Executive Committee consists of the following 15 members, who will elect their own office-bearers:

J. Barker (Bucks), J. T. Bell (Essex), J. Duxbury (Gateshead), G. Foxley (Derbyshire), A. Goss (Basildon Development Corporation), A. R. Green (Lewisham), S. A. B. Heppell (Lancs), M. E. Holt (Crawley), K. G. Jones (West Ham), C. F. Kimm (Walthamstow), A. J. Passmore (Holborn), Miss N. Shield (Middlesex), E. C. Tory (Bucks), E. H. Turner (Nottinghamshire), T. M. Williams (LCC).

TPI

"All Developers should Employ Planners"

The latest in the spate of papers on the state of planning 10 years after the 1947 Act was given last week at the TPI in London by Professor Myles Wright, under the title "Planning Objectives Today." His most novel, and perhaps his most important proposal (designed to rescue the town planning profession from the dangers of a narrow professionalism, and to raise the standards of layout and design) was that all developers who could afford it should have their own town planners. Those who planned and executed great roads, power stations, water supplies, afforestation schemes—all the big public and private users of land should be encouraged by all the means in the TPI's power to have a town planner on ays and yet in-

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heir staff, or working closely with them, helping to prepare their development scheme. "Until all developers whose scale of operations justify it employ a town planner as naturally as they now employ an engineer or an architect" he said "we cannot hope for a general and noticeable improvement of layout and design; and planners will continue to be blamed for beat which we are powerless to mut right" planners will continue to be blamed for that which we are powerless to put right." Professor Wright also wished, of course, to safeguard and enhance the position of the planning officer, who would always remain the key man, and he condemned as "thoroughly bad" the recent trends to-wards delegation of planning powers from counties to county districts. If not checked it would practically ensure random sprawl of the worst kind around the conurbations. The other objectives that Professor Wright put before the town planning profession were these:

"The first is that each conurbation plus the rural fringe around it should have its own planning authority. I do not know how much of the rural fringe could be placed under the control of the planning authority; but I wish to emphasize, as strongly as I can, the importance of these rural fringes. I think the 15 or 20 belts around the con-urbations will be the vital planning districts of the next 10 years. On their problems we should concentrate a major portion of an engine resources

of the field operates of major portion of our planning resources. "The second objective concerns the methods by which we should try to solve the major planning problems in and near big cities. These methods, I suggest, include: some new approach roads to city centres, running through slum districts; the easing of traffic congestion by use of parking meters and staggering of office hours and by some planned extension of offices complete with car parks into dila-pidated residential districts; a very cautious attitude towards high density rebuilding for any purpose; new settlements in the rural fringes to be concentrated in a few favourable places; the rest of the rural zone to be permanent green belt.

"The third aim is to try to encourage comprehensive development of land by as many different agencies as we can—including private enterprise—under conditions that will encourage the agency to retain a permanent interest in the well-being and improvement of the estate."

REBUILDING SMITHFIELD

Architects Appointed

T. P. Bennett and Sons have been appointed architects by the Common Council of the City of London for the rebuilding of the poultry section of the London Central Mar-kets at Smithfield.

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1958 Scholarships

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BOOK REVIEWS

Traffic in Towns

Although the motor car has had a tremendous impact upon our towns and cities, and created a host of problems, some of them fundamental, it had not been the subject of any serious study in this country until "Mixed Blessing-The Motor In Britain" appeared. This important book is here reviewed by D. H. Crompton, an architect-planner.

Ever since the Town Planning Act of 1909, there has been a divorce between the in-terests of town planners and traffic engi-neers. In matters relating to road planning, this has affected not only legislation and administration, but has also influenced the nature and scope of studies carried out by the two interested professions. The archithe two interested professions. The archi-tect as a serious contributor in the field has been until quite recently a non-starter. C. D. Buchanan, the author of Mixed Blessing—The Motor in Britain,* belongs to all three professions and is thus able to present an integrated view in his book on the motor in Britain. Its most valuable feature is the clear and readable analysis of the problems posed by the growing use of the motor vehicle. The first problem which the author identi-fies is the difficulty encountered by vehicles moving between the large towns. He re-gards such towns as the principal generators of traffic, and suggests that solutions are well within our technical competence—we the two interested professions. The archi-

of traffic, and suggests that solutions are well within our technical competence—we know what ought to be done, but the diffi-culty is to find the financial means to do it. Solutions to this first big problem generally seem to presuppose the canalization of traffic into one-purpose express roads broadly similar in design to the railways. The second and really difficult problem arises inside the larger towns, when vehicles leave the main canalized routes and make

leave the main canalized routes and make for particular places. The myriad of trips generated by the town itself results in the The implication of the second least gain time to learn from the experiences

least gain time to learn from the experiences of other countries. The chapter dealing with traffic in towns is the most important and original part of the book. Broadly, the approach is that "it is not traffic movement but civilized town life that is at stake." It deserves a careful reading by all who profess their concern over the momentous problems which will eventually have to be faced.

Precinct Planning

Attempts now being made to accommodate * Leonard Hill Books, 30s.

the motor in towns are based on road plan-ning theories—or notions about the best way to do things. Buchanan traces the development of British ideas since 1936, and in the course of his analysis shows clearly that these ideas rest on very haphazard origins. It is shown that the bypass theory —as a device for relieving congestion—has gradually evolved by disjointed stages, into the precinct planning and inner ring road theories which are the present bases of urban planning. The essence of the theory of precinct planning is that the central part of a town should comprise a series of homogeneous uses, each with terminal facilities in the form of car-parks and bus stops so that traffic need not penetrate the whole of it. The precinct is defined by the creation of a diversionary ring road encirc-ling it. The author finds it has yet to be shown that traffic is really canalizable to the extent necessary to achieve effective insulation. He is prepared to concede that the idea applied on a small scale in a new town seems to offer a high degree of insulainsulation. He is prepared to concede that the idea applied on a small scale in a new town seems to offer a high degree of insula-tion for the price of only a small loss of car-mobility. He suggests that the great interest of Coventry is that the scheme probably represents the most that can be extracted from the theory. Complete relief for the shopping pedestrian is provided, but it remains to be seen, the author thinks. it remains to be seen, the author thinks, whether the inner ring will provide suffi-cient insulation to the network of streets in the precinct:

In his examination of the proposals of the Statutory Development Plans for dealing with urban traffic problems, Buchanan finds little to give hope of a successful large-scale application of the precinct planning prin-ciple. Five difficulties are mentioned: (1) to remove the discordant uses now existing in order to get areas of homogeneous use; (2) to carve out diversionary routes and to ensure that they do not swallow up a large (2) to cart of your of the standard of the sensure that they do not swallow up a large area with their great width and many round-abouts; (3) to contrive the traffic terminals within the precincts: this may require the complete reconstruction of many buildings; (4) to enable town life to flow from precinct to precinct, and (5) to contrive a programme that will enable all this to be brought into being in useful stages and in a reasonable time. The author argues very convincingly that these difficulties are so formidable that the precinct theory is unlikely to survive the process of application. In his view, there is not yet any standing full-scale demonstration of the way to cope with the motor in towns; in the blitzed with the motor in towns; in the blitzed cities, with few exceptions, "the familiar conflicts are beginning to reappear, though the streets may be wider and the traffic feater" faster

The author's doubts of the validity of the precinct theory are reinforced when he con-siders the nature of urban traffic. In the regrettable absence of scientific studies of vehicle movements and urban activities, he distinguishes the principal types of urban traffic as follows, making it clear that his classification is based on little more than common sense:

There are those journeys which are radial in character, comprising journeys to work and journeys from one main use area to another. These Buchanan estimates may account for about 45 per cent. of the total vehicle trips taking place in a town. Secondly, there are cross trips made in broadly circumferential directions. These iourneys might take place on ring roads. oroady circumrerential directions. These journeys might take place on ring roads, but the author doubts that they amount to more than about 5 per cent. of the whole. The third group, scatter journeys, comprise the remaining half of all the journeys, and are the unidentifiable short distance trips made in every direction and hence im-possible to canalize possible to canalize.

If an analysis of this kind were taken as the starting point in deciding how to cope with urban traffic, it seems unlikely that a precinct theory would emerge as the answer.

One of the main difficulties to be faced is the conflict between the pedestrian and the vehicle. The promise of some resolution of this conflict is one of the most attractive features of the precinct theory. But there are other possible solutions, and it is here that the architect can contribute to an environment of buildings and spaces around them which would allow full scope to the vehicle without penalizing the pedestrian. In accepting the need for two level separation of hard and soft traffic, the author favours the raising of pedestrians off the ground rather than vehicles, since this is relatively easier and less costly. He argues in favour of the application of this idea to a mixed shopping and traffic street such as Oxford Street, London.

Any serious attempt to segregate pedestrians and vehicles on a large scale, is likely to result in unfamiliar forms of urban and architectural development. In the author's view this is to be expected at least to some extent, if it is remembered that the aim is to cope with entirely new kinds of transport and mobility which have already led to completely novel social habits. He cites a number of proposals involving the rearrangement of buildings and circulation systems, one of whose aims has been to segregate the pedestrian. In Great Britain there are the LCC proposals for the Barbican area, and the scheme for the same area by Kadleigh. Whitfield and Horsbrugh. There is also the important proposal for the centre of Fort Worth, Texas. In his analysis of these schemes, the author can be said to be putting the problem in its architectural context. Mixed Blessing makes it very clear to the reader that the difficulties cannot be solved single-handed by either the town planner, the traffic engineer or the architect. It also marks a great advance over the view earlier expressed by some experts—for example Bressy's remark in the Bressy-Lutyens Report "the new road in its pristine innocence as it leaves the engineer's hands, is no more than a string on which the architect is invited to thread his choicest pearls. . "

Major adaptations wanted

The planner must surely accept the probability of a great extension of mobility and the continued growth of the privately operated vehicle as a new social fact. Having accepted this he must recognize that in the course of time some major adaptations will have to take place—either of the present urban environment, of the form and mode of transport, or of public behaviour. This much appears to be inescapable. The only other alternative is to do virtually nothing beyond the making of small improvements beyond the making of small improvements in the urban road system, supported by ad hoc regulatory measures as and when they are felt to be necessary. This is broadly the present approach of the larger British towns. The trouble is that the British towns. The trouble is that the motoring habit has already extended, and it can no longer be assumed that every new park or other improvement will contribute towards the relief of congestion. This might be the case if every vehicle with-in the catchment area (however defined) were already in daily use—a most unlikely proposition. Every small improvement may present a temptation to those potential car users now being discouraged by present con-gestion, and may even extend the boundaries of the catchment area itself. This is not to deny the need for many improvements, but experience in those American cities which have extensive expressways supports the view that here is a real difficulty to be faced.

At present, the motor vehicle user is being discouraged from making the fullest use of his car not only by the congestion and the poor condition of the urban road system, but also by the purchase tax, the vehicle tax, the petrol tax, and by parking charges. Nevertheless the number of vehicles continues to increase. Confirmed car users regard the car as a raincoat, a shopping bag and even as a front parlour for courting purposes. But over and above this, its supreme value lies in its mobility, and there seems little hope of relegating it by means of regulatory measures and planning schemes to the status of a mere family railway car. tied to more or less prescribed, canalized routes.

A degree of congestion may be reached in our towns which will cause people in search of greater mobility to turn their vehicles away from established city centres to new, regionally orientated centres; such a trend has certainly been apparent in American cities for many years. It might be desirable to encourage and support this trend, with the planned partial abandonment of city centres, in favour of a reorganization in the form of a suburban or regional motor-city. This would be much more drastic than the decentralization now planned, for example, for London. As the author points out, one of the most important contributions of the LCC and Greater London Plans was their recognition of the fact that congestion is partly the result of London's own excessive size and density; having recognized the rela-tion between employment and congestion in the centre, they proposed for this and other reasons the removal of 1,000,000 persons from the crowded parts. Although it has not been taken very far, the idea of tackling congestion by reducing the traffic generating potential of the centre was an entirely novel step forward. But it does not seem that it was carefully related from size and density; having recognized the relanot seem that it was carefully related, from the traffic point of view, to a planned capacity" for the centre. Buchanan does not take the idea much further as a serious means of adaptation, perhaps because it would mean vast expense and the end of metropolitan life as we now think of it.

Another major adaptation possibility is the gradual reorganization of towns with the aim of avoiding the lethal effects of the motor, the congestion and the unpleasant environment for the pedestrian. This is the approach which Buchanan discusses very fully; but in the end he confesses that the question of what should be done is baffling. Sound progress seems now to depend on our acquiring more knowledge of how vehicles are used, how traffic is generated, and what congestion really is. We are reminded that the *Redevelopment of Central Areas Handbook* expressed the view that one way to limit traffic generation was by the control of floor space per acre—the system now in use in London. But Buchanan does not develop this theme. How effective is this method? The Handbook was surprisingly vague in its discussion of the relationship between floor area and traffic generation, and it seems doubtful that LCC plot ratio figures controlling development are closely related to traffic generation facts.

generation facts. Progress may also depend on our rethinking what exactly is meant by "homogeneous" uses. Groups of activities which are considered compatible from the orthodox planning point of view are not clearly relevant in terms of reduction of the number of urban journeys. The policy of allowing mixed uses in parts of London, announced last year, was a less doctrinaire approach to land-use zoning, designed to combat congestion. The New Barbican scheme envisaged mixture of uses on one site, and although the Minister did not approve the projected scheme, this was one aspect of it he was able to commend and encourage.

We also need to know more of the present capacity of our urban areas and how far the traffic likely to be generated lies within their capacity. If not, there would seem no other course but to extend the policy of decentralizing; but we ought to be sure whether it is floor space, jobs or certain types of generators which should be exported. An approach of this kind seems necessary even where multi-level solutions are being considered. But everything is obscured by our not knowing how many vehicles will, in coming years, have to be catered for. The answer to this may in part depend on the policy that is adopted to combat congestion.

The motor vehicle in its present form is simply the latest technical outcome in the quest for greater mobility. A final adaptation possibility is the gradual alteration of its form to overcome what are, under present conditions of use, inherent weaknesses. Buchanan does not look very far into this for, after all, he is mainly concerned with the motor as it now is. But drastic modification of motorized transport might solve many difficulties. There is not only the possibility of fast moving horizontal pavements; a concerted effort to perfect privately operated helicopters or flying bedsteads might give multi-level separation to all, fairly quickly, leaving pedestrians undisturbed on the ground. The fiendish fourdimensional problems of control resulting could hardly be more difficult than our present dilemma, and might even prove to be relatively inexpensive.

Mr. Buchanan makes it clear that something will have to be done. "Suddenly at a stroke the familiar arrangements of buildings, streets and footways that have endured for so long as to seem unchangeable, are jerked out of date as people race and jostle in the streets in their new found mobility... New urban arrangements are needed if the killing and the wounding, the noise and the stink and confusion are to be avoided. Alternatively, the old arrangements may yet suffice if the new mobility is surrendered, or at least drastically restrained. It is certain there has never been a choice so significant to the future of our towns."

D. H. CROMPTON.

An Architect's Sculptor

One of the reasons why artists tend to be disesteemed in proportion to the size of their contribution is that they reach their conclu-sions intuitively and for this very reason are unable to explain them rationally. Thereunable to explain them rationally. There-fore the bigger the jump they make, the more there is that requires to be explained and the more socially disastrous is their failure to do so. Naum Gabo is a case in point. The architect reader of this mag-nificent volume, which illustrates virtually all bis works much be foreigned in the social sector. all his works, must be forgiven if he experiences difficulty in rightly assessing them, and if he is flummoxed by the attempts of Gabo himself, Herbert Read and Leslie Martin to explain them; but he can hardly be forgiven if he finishes with the thought that they have nothing for him. Gabo is very much an architect's sculptor, or rather, an "architect's sculptor, or rather, an "architect's constructor," for the idea of sculpture is foreign to what he has to give. In a sense only time can make clear precisely what this is; but enough time has already passed for us to be able to form some idea. Just as Cubism has enabled us to apprehend space time, Constructivism has enabled us to apprehend the substitution of structure for mass. Ideas originate in the figurative arts and spread from thence to architecture and town planning. Remembering how profitably architecture has fed on ideas generated by Cubism, it is surprising that she has fed hardly at all on the ideas generated by Con-structivism. Surprising, because this has been a great period for constructional ingen-uity at the technical level. We have in the last 10 years or so been supplied with a new grammar of fixing and jointing: yet what arid use seems to have been made of it. This suggests that the life and work of Gabø is a relatively untapped source of illumination, and that architects should pay attention to it. If so, they will not get a better record than that provided by this book.

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Gabo. Constructions, Sculpture, Paintings, Drawings, Engravings. With introductory essays by Sir Herbert Read and Sir Leslie Martin. (Lund Humphries. 84s.)

BUILDINGS IN THE NEWS



Hangar at Gatwick Airport

This hangar, for Transair Ltd., was designed by Clive Pascall and Peter Watson (chief assistant architect J. M. Stovold). The design and erection of the structural frame was by the London Ferro-concrete Co., Ltd., in association with A. J. and J. D. Harris, and the general contractors were Sir Alfred McAlpine & Son Ltd. The construction will be described in a later issue.

Church in London, S.E.16

A church for Finnish seamen in London, designed by Yorke, Rosenberg and Mardall, and built on a bombed site at the Bermondsey end of the Rotherhithe Tunnel has recently been opened by the Archbishop of Finland. Below, the interior, and left, the large open fireplace in the church. The building contains recreation rooms, including a sauna (steam bath), and a flat for the chaplain.





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GRANDSTAND AT RICHMOND ATHLETIC CLUB, SURREY





The new grandstand at Richmond Athletic Ground, Richmond, Surrey (designed by Manning & Clamp) replaces one burnt down last year during the Royal Horse Show. It is a composite structure: the actual grandstand being in reinforced concrete, a single-storey portion at the rear (which contains showers, changing rooms, bar and tea-room, and offices) being steel-framed. The two parts are not structurally separate: the r.c. hairpin which seats about 1,000 spectators is supported on pairs of r.c. columns, the rear of each pair also supports the steelwork of the single-storey portion. The consulting engineers were Jenkins & Potter and the quantity surveyors Mercer & Miller. The general contractors were Percy Bilton Ltd., and the steelwork contractors Mackey Bowley Co. Ltd.

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Housing Layout. Scottish Housing Handbook, Part I. Department of Health for Scotland. (Revised Edition 1958. HMSO. 65.)

The revision of Part I of the Scottish Housing Handbook (there are seven other parts in the Handbook) is further evidence of the care with which the Scottish Department of Health services its local authorities. Containing 42 pages of text and 22 pages of illustrations, it is of value to those interested in local authority housing anywhere. It is not possible to do justice to all of its 12 sections and 5 appendices in a short notice. In its totality, it affords an unconscious record of the long way we have travelled in this subject since the end of the war. This journey has been all in one direction: the increased application of scientific data to the subject, leading, curiously enough, to a greater and greater differentiation in the end product. It is amusing to notice how, in 1945, we were so keen to humanize housing by the application of æsthetic rules. We now attempt the same by applying scientific data. It is not so much that our æsthetic rules were wrong, but that we have only just acquired the rational background for them. Thus, in 1945 the artists perceived that differentiation was necessary in housing layout: we now know that if you make a proper social survey, provided by a careful study of the economics of road layout and underbuilding, and of daylight and sunlight penetration, differentiation automatically emerges. From the technical point of view, the most interesting part of this volume is the appendices. These deal in turn with the site survey, density and house types, communal facilities, public open space, and sunlight and daylight. The best of these is undoubtedly the last, which gives (so far as we know) for the first time, tables and diagrams showing how precisely (and reasonably quickly) you can ensure that rooms will fulfil the standards laid down in the British Standard Code of Practice for sunlight (at least one hour a day from February to November) and daylight (sky factors of 2 per cent. for kitchen, 1 per cent. for living-room and ½ per cent. for bedrooms). It was shrewd of the Department to realize how important it is that these little operations should be made as easy as possible, for otherwise they will not be carried out. Modern building technique needs much more mathematical and geometric help than it is actually getting; we want more gadgets of this kind and more people habituated to using them.

8 ESTIMATING current wage rates, market prices and measured rates

Despite the wage increase of February last, tenders are lower than they were a year ago. This downward trend, which started at the beginning of the year, is at present resulting in a level of prices about 15 per cent. below last year's figures and would appear to be at the expense of profits, overheads and preliminaries. Whether this trend will be maintained is a matter for conjecture, but it should be taken into account when using the following prices which may well be higher than those in current tenders. The Prices feature is prepared by Davis, Belfield and Everest, Quantity Surveyors.

Wage rates

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Measured rates

Prices are for work carried out in the Outer London Prices are for work carried out in the Outer London area and include 10% to cover overhead charges and profit except in the case of work which would be carried out by specialists when 5% has been allowed. The prices given in italic represent the total value of the materials included in the measured rates, including an allowance for waste and 10% for overhead charges and profit. The cost of labour included in the measured rates including its proportion of overhead charges and profit) (including its proportion of overhead charges and profit) can be ascertained by subtracting the prices in italics from the prices in heavier type.

Abbreviations

Numerations Inches: in. Feet: ft. Yards: Y. Yards cube: YC. Yards super YS. Feet cube: FC. Feet super: FS. Ton: T. Feet run: FR. Thousand: M. Square: Sq. Number: No. Hundredweight: C. Pound: Ib. Gallon: Gal.

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To all estimates based on prices for measured rates add, if required, for Preliminaries, water, insurances, etc., depending on the nature of the job.

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* Shows changes in market prices and measured rates since the last issue (March 27, 1958).

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technical section				
Concretor continued		s	d	
∔ -in.	С	* 93 60	8 7	Lir
Steel wire mesh fabric weighing 4-32 lb. per yd.	ete			
	YS	4	1	
Distance in the first first		2	-	Ha
yd. super	YS	6 5	0 3	
Ditto weighing 9-32 lb. p yd. super	YS	8 7	65	
Precast concrete				11
Precast concrete (1:2: finished fair on exposed f and hoisting setting and jointing:	4) faces			
4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. \times 6-in. lintols rein forced with one $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. roo	FR	* 2 2	9 3½	Or
4¼-in. \times 9-in. ditto with ¼-in. rods	two FR	*4	2 51	
Piling				
Reinforced pre-cast conc	rete			Su
piles, approximate prices supplying, unloading, pit	s for ching			Ex
and driving 12-in, × 12-in, up to 30	ft.			w
long 14-in, x 14-in, up to 50	FR ft.	34	0	н
long Sheet steel piling, ditto	FR T	40	0	of
		1680	0	
BRICKLAYER				of
Market prices				
Soft sand	YC	18	0	Fo
Hydrated lime	т	117	6	E
Plain Flettons	M	118	0	pe
Second hard stocks	м	300	0	T
Lingfield Engineering wi	re	254	0	b
Partitions	14	230	0	
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Clinker concrete, sond	2-in. 21-in. 3-in. 41-in.	*3 4 *5 *7	11 4 6 0	T
Thermalite-Ytong	YS 2 <u>1</u> -in 3-in 4-in	. 7 . 8	0 5 0	
Hollow clay	YS	5		н
	2-in 2½-in 3-in	. 4	5 8 5	bo
(6 cavity)	4-in	. 6	10	
Normal quality wood w slabs	ool 2-in 2 <u>↓</u> -in 3-in	. 8 . 10 . 11	10 2 5	P
Measured rates				D

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Reduced brickwork in cement lime mortar.

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ingfields in cement mortar		1	
Flettons	33	3	
Second stocks	52	ú,	
Lingfield Grade B	50 32	9	The
Half brick wall ditto YS Flettons	18	3	
Second stocks	28	i	
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I I-in. hollow wall with 2-in. cavity and wall ties YS	- 27		
Flettons	17	î	
Second stocks	* 57 36	28	
One brick wall built fair and pointed both sides YS	20	10	W
Flettons	17	7	
Lingfield Grade B	37 56	24	
	32	4	D
Sundries			M
Extra over common brick- work for internal fair face and flush pointing YS	1	4	Sal
Horizontal damp proof course			Or
of two courses of slates and bedding and pointing FS	4 2	25	
Horizontal damp proof course of hessian base bitumen FS		11	Be
Facings			Th
Extra over ordinary brick- work with bricks P.C. 118s. per 1,000 for facings as described			Pit
To solid wall in Flemish			Ca
bond YS Facings P.C. 250s per M	15	9	
Facings P.C. 350s per M	23	0	
Facings P.C. 450s per M	30 24	32	Sp BS
To cavity wall in stretcher			
Facings P.C. 250s per M	13	0	м
Facings P.C. 350s per M	18	6	Tr
Facings P.C. 450s per M	24 18	1	E) he
Half brick wall in facings built fair and pointed on one side YS			an fil w
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Partitions			E
Clinker concrete solid partition blocks and setting in cement lime mortar YS 2-in.	*9	3	by
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	2 <u>1</u> -in.	10	6
	3-in.	*12	9
	4 <u>1</u> .in.	*15	10
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	2-1-In.	8	6
	3-1n.	10	3
		13	4
Hollow clay ditto	YS 2-in.	9	10
	2 <u>†</u> -in.	5	5
	3-In.	5	10 8
(6 cavity)	4-in.	15	10 8
Wood wool slabs ditto	YS	0	0
	2-in.	14	1
	2] -in.	16	32
	3-in.	18 13	59
DRAINLAYER			
Market prices			
Salt glazed stoneware p and fittings, "Best " qu	oipes uality:		
Ordinary pipes	FR		
	4-in. 6-in.	2	7± 5±
Bends	9-in. No.	4	41
	4-in. 6-in.	47	101
The above are Standard prices less 24%.	9-in. d List	19	9
Pitch fibre pipe	FR		
	3-in. 4-in.	1	101
Cast iron s. and s. pipe	6-in.	5	01
BS 437	YR 4-in	28	2
	6-in. 9-in.	41	3
Spun iron s. and s. pip	e to		
DS 1211, Class B	4-in	13	3
	6-in 9-in	. 21	3
Measured rates			
Trenches and beds			
Excavate trenches by I heavy soil, including p and strutting, part ret filling and ramming an wheeling and spreadin surplus, for pipes 4-in. and 9 in. dia. Average depth of tren	hand in lanking urning, d g , 6-in. YF ch 3-ft 4-ft 6-ft 9-ft	. 16 . 22 . 39	930
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technical section				
Drainlayer continued			d	
6-in. concrete bed and	YR	9	6	Pitch fibre drain
As above, for 6-in. pipes	YR	5	10	Pitch fibre drain laying and joint
6-in. concrete bed and surround for 4-in. pipes	YR	6	5	
As above, for 6-in. pipes	YR	9 18	675	
Stoneware drains "Seconds" quality salt glazed stoneware drain p and laying and jointing in trench	pipes n FR 4-in.	2	5 8	Extra over pitc for 45° bend
	6-in. 9-in.	3254	5 6 8 7	Cast iron drains
" Best " quality salt glaz; stoneware drain pipes ar laying and jointing in trench	ed FR 4-in. 6-in. 9-in.	223265	9 0 10 11 5 4	Cast iron spigo drain pipes and jointing in tren
Extra over "Seconds" quality pipes for:				Extra over cast bend
Bend	No.	3	9	
	6-in.	35	3 6	
	9-in.	4 16 15	11 0 4	Spun cast iron socket drain pi
Single junction	No. 4-in.	6	6	and jointing in
	6-in. 9-in.	9 7 20	4	
Double junction	No.	18	0	Cast iron gullies
	4-in.	10 8	94	Cast iron gully invert and sett
	6-in. 9-in.	15 12 30 27	6661	surrounding w and jointing to
Stoneware gullies				
Salt glazed trapped gully with galvanized grating including setting gully o and surrounding with cc and jointing to drain 6 in. \times 6 in. grating	n oncrete No. g 4 in. outlet	26	5 2	ASPHALT Measured rate Damp proof cou
9 in. $ imes$ 9 in. gratin	g 6 in. outlet	48 43	11 7	1-in. vertical d course in two brick or concr
Grease and mud gully 9 diameter with 4-in. out galvanized bucket and g and setting gully on and surrounding with concr and jointing to drain	-in. let, rating l ete No.	92	0	<u>↓</u> -in. horizonta course in one brick or concr
Road gully with 6-in. ou including setting on and surrounding with concr and jointing to drain 15-in. dia. 30-in.	itlet ete No. deep	108	7	Vertical tankir thicknesses
18-in. dia. 48-in	. deep	216	50	Horizontal tan

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	9-in.	20 15	9	tro
Cast iron gullies				
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	6 in.	37	3	con
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ASPHALTER				1ai
Damp proof course and	tanking			pro
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brick or concrete	BS1097	17	10	lay
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-in. horizontal damp	proof			12
brick or concrete	ss on YS			po
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Horizontal tanking in	three			1-i
thicknesses	YS			SCI

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	BS1097 BS1418	19 29	55
Roofing			
4-in. flat laid to falls in thicknesses on and in felt underlay	two cluding YS BS988 BS1162	13	8
6-in. skirting with any fillet at bottom and re edge at top turned in groove	gle bunded to	~	
groove	BS988 BS1162	22	4
6-in. fascia with solid check roll at top and cut drip at bottom	water under- FR BS988 BS1162	4 5	63
PAVIOR			
Market prices			
Granite chippings, ‡-i	n. to	50	2
Buff quarry tiles, 6 in 6 in. $\times \frac{7}{6}$ in. 2-in. Noelite paving	× YS YS	22 13	0
Measured rates			
Cement and sand floa screed to receive pav	ted ings YS ‡-in.	4	1
	I-in.	5	0
	l ∔ ∙in.	53	76
Cement and sand pav trowelled hard and s	ing nooth		
	₽S }-in.	4	7
	I-in.	25	4
	l ∔ −in.	363	0
Granolithic paving la concrete	id on YS		
	I-in.	59	445
1-in. red composition	paving	1	0
§-in. terrazzo paving	laid on	38	4
t-in. rubber flooring laying in rolls	and	39	5
t-in. rubber flooring laying in rolls	and YS	63	0
$\frac{5}{16}$ -in. cork tile floori 12 in. \times 12 in. and fl with mastic and inclu polishing	ng, ixing iding YS	45	11
I-in. thermoplastic ti flooring and laying-o	le n screed YS	12	0
1-in, coloured lineler	im and		-
fixing with mastic to screed or boards	cement	26	9



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technical section	n	-194	
Pavior continued		s	d
-in. coloured linoleum fixing with mastic to co screed or boards	n and ement YS	21	3
f-in. buff quarry tiles l prepared screed	aid on YS	37	1
-in. blue black quarry laid on prepared scree	tiles d YS	34	9
2-in. Noelite paving la prepared bed, in rando and mixed colours	id on om sizes YS	20 16	1
12 in. $ imes$ 12 in. anchor plates laid complete	steel YS	55	ı
MASON			
Market prices			
Stone in blocks in true at stations in the Long	ckloads ion area:		
Beer	FC	8	9
Portland	FC	8	8
Woodkirk Blue buildi quality	ng FC	17	11
Broughton Moor slate blocks at stations in th London area	in he FC	65	0
Marble in blocks at w Dove	orks: FC	70	0
Roman stone	FC	70	0
Measured rates			
Stone and all labours pilasters and quoins	in FC Portland Beer	55 51	2 5
Jambs	FC Portland Beer	55 51	25
Lintols	FC Portland Beer	56 52	2
Arches	FC Portland Beer	67	3 5
Ashlar average 7-in. c with plain dressed fac	on bed e FS Portland Beer	31 29	3
Extra for each addition thickness	onal I-in. FS Portland Beer	33	75
$4\frac{1}{2}$ in. \times 4 in. sill sun weathered, throated grooved for water ba jointed in cement mo	k, and ortar FR Portland Beer Artificial	d 11 10 *4	7
4 in. \times 12 in. coping weathered and twice	throated FR Portland Beer Artificial	22 21 *11	 2 8
Marble and slate			
tin. Dove marble lin	ing and		

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arin. Broughton Moor slate lining FS 39 Ⅰ	d
SLATER TILER AND ROOFER	
Market prices	
Welsh slates, best quality M 16-in.×10-in, 1038 20-in.×10-in, 1914	63
Best hand made sand faced plain tiles, $10\frac{1}{2}\text{-in.}\times6\frac{1}{2}$ in. M 315	0
Grey corrugaged asbestos cement sheets YS 7	0
Measured rates	
16-in. \times 10-in. best Welsh slates laid 3-in. lap Sq. 310	0
20-in. \times 10-in. best Welsh slates 3-in. lap Sq. 412	0
Westmorland green slates in random sizes laid 3-in. lap Sq. 632	9
Best hand made sand faced plain tiles, $10\frac{1}{2}$ in. $\times 6\frac{1}{2}$ in. laid to a 4-in. gauge Sq. 221	0
Best hand made sand faced plain tiles, $10\frac{1}{2}$ -in. $\times 6\frac{1}{2}$ -in. hung vertically to $4\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gauge Sq. 237	0
Berkshire hand made sand faced red pantiles, $14\frac{1}{2}$ -in. \times 10-in. laid $2\frac{1}{2}$ -in. head and $1\frac{1}{2}$ -in. side lap Sq. 213	0
Grey corrugated asbestos cement sheets fixed to wood roofs Sq. 129	3
Grey corrugated asbestos cement sheets fixed vertically Sq. 139	3
Cedarwood shingles laid 5-in. gauge Sq. 258	0
Metal roof decking and fixing with hook bolts, finished with <u>1</u> -in. insulation board and three layers self finish felt roofing YS	
18 gauge for spans up to 10 ft. 57 20 gauge for	6
spans up to 8 ft. 6 in. 50	0
Two layer one ply bitumen felt and fixing with bitumen to concrete or boarding YS 9	5
Three laver bitumen felt YS 12	7
Patent ribbed aluminium roofing and fixing to purlins Sq. 287	6
CARPENTER	
Market prices	
Softwood, carcassing quality Std. 1910	0
Softwood, joinery quality Std. 2160	0
1-in. fibre board Sq. 45	0
in. standard hardboard Sq. 40	0

Measured rates		s	d
Softwood and fixing in pl sleeper joists and lintols	ates, FC	15	9
In floor and ceiling joists	FC	13	0
In stud partitions, purling and struts	FC	20	2
In hip and valley rafters	FC	13	9
Battening and boarding		13	10
Slate or tile battens $1\frac{1}{2}$ in $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. and nailing to fixing	for Sq.		
16-in. \times 10-in. slating to $6\frac{1}{2}$ -in. gauge		39	0
20-in. \times 10-in. slating to $8\frac{1}{2}$ -in. gauge		32	0
$10\frac{1}{2}$ -in. \times 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. plain tili to 4-in. gauge	ng	56	0
$14\frac{1}{2}$ -in. \times 10-in. pantiles 12-in. gauge	to	22	0
S.E. boarding in batten w close jointed and fixing to	vidths o		
flat or sloping roofs	Sq. ‡-in.	120	6
	I-in.	148 115	36
T. & G. boarding in batt widths close jointed and f to flat or sloping roofs	en ixing Sq. 2-in.	139	0
	I-in.	98 170 129	020
≹-in. wrot and cross tong eaves soffit	gued FS	2/	30
$\frac{3}{4}$ -in. \times 6-in. wrot and grooved eaves fascia p.o.	FS		10 6
Wall and ceiling boards fi	xed		
	YS		
-in. fibre board		4	10
in. hardboard		5 4	94
훌-in. insulating gypsum wallbo	ard	5 4	8
$\frac{3}{16}$ -in. asbestos cement fl sheeting	at	84	6
4-in. asbestos cement fla sheeting	t	10	3
2-in. Stramit, showerpro quality fixed to joists wi	of	6	8
butt joints		15	85
JOINER			

Measured rates

Floors and skirtings

Tongued and grooved soft-wood flooring and nailing to joists Sq.

7-11	n. 164	9
1.1	126	6
1-11	1. 104	0

a-in. insulating gypsum wallboard YS 3 3 t. and g. Swedish softwood

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technical section		_	
loiner continued	s	d	
block flooring set in mastic			
and polished YS	29	5	
European beech YS	32	7	-
African Muhuhu YS	37	10	
Burma teak YS	48	4	
Moulded skirtings, 3-in. to 6-in. sectional area planted on (per inch in sectional area) FR			
Softwood		3	12
Oak		97	12
Extra for grounds plugged to brickwork FR Softwood		5	
Windows		4	-
2-in, rebated and moulded sashes divided into squares FR Softwood Oak Extra for side hanging Each	3 10	1	B
Šoftwood Oak	24		9
Doors			
2-in. framed, ledged and braced doors, filled in with I-in. T and G and V jointed boarding and kanging FS Softwood	65		25
Four panelled door square both sides and hanging FS Softwood Oak	6 6 19 19		B 0 6
1½-in. Standard flush door, hardboard faced size 2-ft. 6-in. × 6-ft. 6-in. and hanging No.	42 31		2
Linings and frames			
Window and door linings, 6-in. to 12-in. sectional area (per inch sectional area)			
FR Softwood			43
Oak			98
Frames wrot all round and framed (per inch sectional area) FR Softwood			31/2
Oak Mullions, transomes and cills			8
(per men sectional area) PR Softwood Oak			49
Mouldings, architraves, etc. 4-in. to 6-in. sectional area (per inch sectional area) FR Softwood Oak			4 3 10
6-in. window boards, I-in. thick with rounded nosing tongued at back and includ- ing bearers Softwood		3	9 01 8

			-
	Oak	5 3	6 7
Shelving and fittings			
² →in, shelving of 2-in, sla spaced 1-in, apart on bea (measured separately) Soft	ts arers FS wood	2	6
≟-in, solid shelving on bearers Soft	FS wood Oak	2144	3½ 11 8
2-in. shelf bearers plugg to wall Soft	ed FR twood Oak	1	712 512 2 1112
Staircases			
l-in. treads and ¹ / ₄ -in. ris tongued together on an including framed carria Sof	ers d ges FS twood Oak	4 3 13 12	7-12-17 6 0
lѣ-in. × 11-in. wall stri plugged to brickwork Sof	ng FR twood Oak	4 3 11 10	5551
l‡-in. × 9∙in. outer str Sol	ing FR ftwood Oak	3266	410
Ends of treads and rises housed to strings Sol	rs No. ftwood Oak	16	4
2 <u>1</u> -in. × 3-in. moulded handrail So	FR ftwood Oak	3265	1.657
I¼-in. × I¼-in. square balusters So	FR ftwood Oak	1	8 6 4 1
Framed ends to baluste So	rs No. ftwocd		6
	Oak		9
IRONMONOFO			
Market prices			
As prices for ironmong vary so greatly depend upon the type and qua required no prices are here	gery ing lity quoted		

The rates which follow are for fixing only and are inclusive of profit

		3	Q
3-in. steel butts	Pr. to softwood to hardwood	45	5
Double action fl	oor springs No. to softwood to hardwood	22 29	37
6-in. barrel bolts	to softwood to hardwood	22	0
Cupboard locks	to softwood to hardwood	4 5	27
Cylinder night l	atch to softwood to hardwood	69	11
Mortice latch	to softwood to hardwood	57	75
Mortice lock	to softwood	6 9	11
Casement faster	to softwood	1	8
Casement stays	to softwood	1	3
STEEL & Market prices Structural steel sections, basis s	IRONWO joist izes,	RK	ĒR
ex mills Extras for othe basis sizes vary 10s. and 70s. pe	r than between ar ton	812	6
Measured rat	es		
structures hois fixed complete Riveted compo including plates	ted and T*1 und girders and rivets T*1	600	0
Rs stanchions in bases, cleats etc	ncluding caps, c. T*	860	0
Metal windows cutting and pin brickwork and frames in ceme	including ining lugs to bedding int mortar No.		
Domestic type to BS 990 Type ND2F 3	4 ft. high 3 ft. 3¼ in. wide	91	0
Type HD2F 3	3 ft. 3¼ in. wide	98	
Type NDIIF	6 ft. 6½ in. wide	156	3 4
" Z " range, 4 Type ZNDI 2 Type ZND4F	ft. high 2 ft. 03 in. wide 6 ft. 03 in. wide	61 51 157	1 10
		129	10
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technical section			
Plasterer continued		s	d
Class B in loads of 4 tons	_		
to 5 tons 19 cwt. Browni	T	160	9
Fibred brown Board fin	ing	163 160	9
in. plaster lath, over 600 yds.	YS	2	5
in. $ imes$ 6 in. $ imes$ 6 in. cream glazed wall tiles	YS	27	2
Measured rates			
Metal lathing			
No. 24 gauge expanded me lathing and fixing	tal YS		
To softwood sof	fits	64	9 4
To me	etal	7 4	64
Lime plaster			
Render float and set on bri walls and partitions	ck YS	72	24
R.F. and S. on concrete including hacking	YS	8 2	10 4
R.F. and S. on expanded metal lathing	YS	72	3 5
Gypsum plaster			
Render in cement-lime-san (I : I : 6) and set in gypsun plaster on brick walls and	d n vc		
particions		ĩ	11
Render in gypsum fibred browning-sand ($I : I\frac{1}{2}$) and set in gypsum on concrete soffits including bonding coat	YS	93	16
Render and set on expande	ed		
metal lathing including pricking up coat	YS	8 3	8
Plaster board			
in. gypsum plaster lath fixed to softwood soffits finished to receive plaster	YS	42	10 111/2
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Plain face			
1-in. Portland cement and sand (1 : 3) plain face trowelled smooth on brick walls	YS	6	6
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EXTERNAL PLU	MBE	R	
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upwards, in quantities of 5 cwt. to 1 ton	C*	115	0
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Zinc sheeting, 14 gauge, I-ton lots	in C	98	0
Aluminium sheeting 20 Super p	SWG (ourity*	C 513 326	4
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	3-in. 4-in.	21	0
Half round gutter in 6 ft	hla		
lengths	3½-in.	7	11
	4-in. 6-in.	10	4
The above are Standard prices plus $22\frac{1}{2}$ %.	List		
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ing pipes (15 lb. per yd.	for		
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with lead tacks	FR		
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	4-in.	*16	3
		10	8
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ventilating pipes with ca	aulked		
nails	FR		
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4-in.	heavy	8	8
		6	6
Asbestos cement soil an	d		
ventilating pipe fixed to	walls FR		
	3-in.	3	10
	4-in	2	4
		2	2



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INTERNAL PLUMBER	Flushing and warning pipes
Market prices	fixed to softwood FR 3-in, 4 *3 7
Lead pipe in quantities of	1 8
5 cwt. to I ton C	2 0
BS 1085*124 3	l <u>∔</u> -in. 6 *5 6 2 6
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gauge, in quantities of 500 to 999 ft. per 100 ft.	
1-in. 112 6	Waste pipes and fixing to softwood FR
Î-in. 193 6	14-in. 6 *5 6
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at the following sizes and	Heavy gauge as supply pipe laid in trench (measured
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6 6	I-in. 2 7-
14-in. 28 *13 3 11 1	
1 <u>1</u> -in. 35 *17 1 13 11	distributing pipe fixed to
Main supply fixed to walls	walls FR
and ceilings FR I-in, 7 *4 4	1 7 3-in, 3 4
2 //	2 2 Lin 3 11
4 6	2 9
1-in. 10 - 6 7	
14-in. 28 *14 0 // 2	Steel tubing to BS 1387
11-in. 35 *18 5 14 0	Heavy weight with screwed red
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walls and ceilings FR	separately) FR
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l‡-in.	10	6	32 oz. sheet 4-in. polished plate	10 21	4	Prepare, prime and apply one coat heat-resisting paint on		
Tee 1-in.	*9	3	Patent glazing			YS		
‡-in.	*10	8	Patent glazing with rolled			Basis price	1	5 51
I-in.	*15	07	steel lead capped bars for 8-ft. spans and glazing with			Add for each additional coat	1	9
I‡-in.	*21	4	4-in. Georgian wired cast FS	4	9	On wood		
I‡-in.	16 *31	5	Aluminium alloy patent glazing FS	5	3	Knot prime step and apply		
	26	5				one coat oil colour on		
CLATIER			PAINTER			general surfaces TS Basis price	3	11
GLAZIER			Market prices			Add for each additional coat	1	71 8
Market prices			Washable distemper C.	120	0			10
Sheet glass cut to size FS 24 oz.		103	Emulsion paint Gal.	45	0	On work not exceeding 3-in.		
32 oz.	1	44	Hard gloss paint: Gal.			Basis price		6
d-in. Polished plate glass, glazing quality in plates			Undercoat Finishing	46 48	0	Add for each additional coat		21/2
not exceeding: FS 2 ft. super	4	3	Measured rates			For each additional 3-in		
5 ft. super 45 ft. super	5	3	On walls and ceilings YS			girth YR		
100 ft. super	6	9	Twice whiten plastered			Basis price		日日
Rolled plate glass FS			ceilings	1	41/2	Add for each additional coat		2±
t-in. Georgian wired	6	0	Two coats distemper on			Stain and varnish		
Attention is drawn to			plastered walls or ceilings	2	21	Prepare, size, stain and twice		
reduction in certain glass prices offered by manufac-			Two coats distemper on	'	07	varnish on general surfaces of woodwork YS	4	31
specified minimum quantities			fair-faced brick or concrete	2			1	8
delivered to one address at			Walls	î	3	On work not exceeding 3-in.		7
one time			Two coats emulsion paint on			8		11
Measured rates			walls or cellings	1	8	For each additional 3-in.		6
Glazing to wood			Prepare prime and apply one			giren		11
Ordinary quality sheet glass			coat oil colour on plastered	2		Oiling and polishing		
and glazing with putty in squares FS			waiis	ĩ	9	Twice oiling general surfaces		
24 oz. O.Q.	1	5	Add for each additional coat	1	81	of hardwood with linseed oil YS	2	9
32 oz. O.Q.	2	0			10		1	4
in. rolled plate glass	I.	61	On metal			On work not exceeding 3-in.		4
4-in. rough cast glass	1	н	Prepare, prime and apply one			80.00		11
Prismatic glass	2	9	surfaces YS	2	41	For each additional 3-in.		21
‡-in. wired glass	2	$2\frac{1}{2}$	basis price	1	6	girth IK		11/2
‡-in. Georgian wired			Add for each additional coat	'	10	Staining and wax polishing		
plate glass	8	4	On metal casements YS			general surfaces of hardwood FS	1	0
4-in. Polished plate glass (glazing quality)			Basis price	5	7			
in plates 5 to 45 ft. super	8	7	Add for each additional coat	2	6	Staining bodying-in and fully French polishing on general		
Glazing to metal			On harr ander etc. not		10	surfaces of hardwood FS	2	71
Add to above rates Id.			exceeding 6-in. girth YR					
per ft. super			Basis price		3	Papering		
Sundries			Add for each additional coat		5	Preparing and sizing walls and hanging plain lining		
Hacking out broken sheet		2	On small pipes YR			paper Piece	10	73
Plud all		3	Basis price		3	Hanging wall paper, p.c. 10s.		
black ribbon velvet and bedding to edge of glass FR		8	Add for each additional coat		52	per piece Piece	20 12	69
Double glazing			On large pipes YR			Hanging border p.c. Is. per		
of glass with lead spacers			basis price		6	yu. IK	;	3

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Architects commonly agree that the private house is one of the most painful of all architectural tasks. It must be "traditional" enough to feel like a home (a hearth) and yet it cannot conscientiously ignore modern knowledge and techniques. These four houses—two of them completed in 1955 and two in 1957—illustrate varying approaches to the resolution of this struggle. The technical analyses, with costs, of these houses are grouped together, for ease of comparison, on pages 982-990.



HOUSE

in SARRATT LANE, RICKMANSWORTH, HERTS. designed by DORE and WURR assistant architect J. W. HUMPHRIES



The south elevation. The design is not entirely the responsibility of the architects. The owners of the estate on which the house is built caused them to raise the roof pitch to 45 deg. and to use a pitched instead of flat roof to the garage (foreground) in pursuit of a "traditional" character in keeping with the neighbourhood. building illustrated



Ground and first floor plans [Scale: $\frac{1}{24}$ " = 1' 0",

The hall of the house at Rickmansworth, with the cloakroom door at the end. Beneath the shelf on the right is a radiator fed from the living room back boiler. The staircase is of hardwood with m.s. bar balusters and the floor tiles are ceramic.





HOUSE

near REIGATE HEATH designed by JOHN R. STAMMERS Fir

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The south-west elevation. The window in the York stone wall lights the maid's room. Behind are the garage and store rooms—all this accommodation occupying only one end of the plan to "fill out" the sloping site.







Lower ground floor plan [Scale $\frac{1}{24}'' = 1' 0''$]









Far left: the large windows (with the arbitrary splay) of the house at Reigate light the dining and sitting rooms and are of proprietary double glazing. Left: looking towards the study from the sitting room. Apart from a guest and maid's room, this house has only one bedroom. Hence there will be no children to disturb whoever works in the study. Note the use of a step up into the study to form a spatial distinction between the two rooms. The house has electric underfloor heating.

HOUSE

ATROMAN ROAD, DORKING, SURREY.

designed by G. DENNIS SYKES of GERALD F. JONES and SYKES consultants (heating) WILLIAM ALLEN (landscape) SHEILA HAYWOOD quantity surveyors HARRY TR'INNICK and PARTNERS





Detail plans, sections and elevation, living room fireplace [Scale: $\#' = I' \theta''$]



First floor plan

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Ground floor plan [Scale: $\frac{1}{2^4}$ " = 1' 0"]

The south elevation. The sloping site allowed a boiler room below the ground floor level and hence gravity circulation.

Looking into the living room from the terrace. On the right is the hall and, beyond, the dining room.







Opposite: the west elevation. On the ground floor, from left to right, are the kitchen, dining room and living room. On the first floor are four bedrooms. It was a client's requirement that the lefthand bedroom (for the maid) should have its window looking north, so that she should not over look the garden. Above: looking towards the dining room from the living room. The veneered panel between them slides back behind the fixed partition so that the two rooms can be used as one.

analysis

House at Rickmansworth

CLIENT'S REQUIREMENTS

A 3-bedroom house, two double, one single bedrooms. A living room intercommunicating with the dining room, which must be easily accessible from the kitchen. A utility room, fuel store and garage.

Large windows on the south for all rooms, to make the most of sun and fine views. As the west elevation is overlooked by other houses, no windows to face that way. Rooms to be as spacious as possible within limits of cost, and without recourse to open planning. Central heating to living area but not bedrooms.

PLANNING AIMS

The clients wanted a house in "contemporary" style, but the design was restricted by rigid "Estate" control, which forbade anything but a traditional exterior, and forced the architects to raise the pitch of the main roof to 45° and to abandon the proposal of a flat roof to the garage. It was an interesting problem to retain a contemporary feeling despite these restrictions. Thorough detailing and specification enabled the house to be built, as the clients wished, by a building firm which had been personally recommended, without supervision. The porch coal bunkers and a screen wall were added later by the client.

price per sq. ft. (based on final account) Preliminaries and insurances

Work below ground floor level

Concrete foundations, hardcore 6 in. minimum. Fletton brickwork, 4-in. surface concrete I : 3 : 6, reinforced with mesh No. 9.

STRUCTURAL ELEMENTS

Frame or load bearing element Prefabricated reinforcement to beam over hall window. Concrete I : 2 : 4, involving shuttering and builder's work.

House at Reigate

CLIENT'S REQUIREMENTS

A house with two bedrooms, designed to take full advantage of the exceptionally fine views, especially from south-east and west. Some accommodation was needed for living-in help at a later date. The client possessed some good pieces of antique furniture and wished to mix with it a good deal of built-in furniture.

PLANNING AIMS

The house was placed on the highest corner of the site, and the sitting room, including the fireplace, was planned to make the most of the view. The slope of the land was used to place the garage and the future help's quarters on the lower floor and levels vere helped out by a reduced room height in the upper, bedroom area. Electric floor heating was provided throughout, except in upper bedrooms and most windows are double glazed.

d	price per sq. ft.	s	d
0	Preliminaries and insurances	7	81
	Contingencies	2	$2\frac{1}{2}$
2	Work below ground floor level	9	01
	Normal strip footings in sand. Lower storey where partly below ground level waterproofed by filling wall cavity with waterproofed concrete.		

5³/₄ Frame or load bearing element

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House at Dorking

CLIENT'S REQUIREMENTS

A three-bedroom house with provision for economical future extension in various ways, and labour-saving garden

PLANNING AIMS

I. Use of sloping site to enable boiler to have gravity circulation, and fuel and delivery stores to be provided under rear entrance ramp.

2. Semi-open plan—an attempt has been made to combine the spaciousness of the modern open plan with the privacy and seclusion of traditional layout.

(a) utility, kitchen and dining room are combined. Note that utility space is concealed from dining table, and dining room could be walled off.

(b) living room is large and secluded, but can be combined with hall by means of double doors for dances, etc.3. Provision for future extensions.

(a) garage can be converted into study or nursery, and new garage added on at south end;

(b) living room can be extended;

(c) one or two bedrooms can be added over garage and study wing;

(d) cloakroom and w.c. can be formed along south end of dining room (window, door, drain and c.w. connections, electric lights and switches are all ready in position).

price per sq. ft. s Contingencies Work below ground floor level 7

Load-bearing brick cavity walls and piers on strip foundations, in 1 : 3 mortar. Ground floor slab 1 : 2 : 4 mix r.c. with d.p. membrane.

STRUCTURAL ELEMENTS

Frame or load-bearing element

House at Stevenage

CLIENT'S REQUIREMENTS

The entrances to house and surgery to be as far apart as possible. The house to provide one large living room, divisible into sitting and dining rooms when required, three double bedrooms (one as a maid's room) and one single bedroom, convertible later into a dressingroom, for a baby. A double garage.

PLANNING AIMS

To provide privacy in the house and garden and separation from the surgery, despite convenient juxtaposition of the two; to enclose the corner site from the road, and secure the best aspect for all the rooms in the house, and to avoid surgery windows either overlooking the garden or being overlooked from buses and passers-by. The bedroom at the north end of the house, being intended for a living-in maid whom the client did not wish to overlook the garden, has its window overlooking the shopping centre.

(The costs given in the following analysis are approximate only, and are based on anticipated final account)

			Frame or load bearing element			
S						
iers on strip floor slab	7	9 <u>3</u>	reduction work below ground floor level Deep reinforced strip foundation on made-up ground. Ground floor, slab reinforced with mesh carried on beams and carrying ducts for the heating system under the floor.	8	84	
		63/4	Preliminaries and insurances contingencies, nil, but agreement with client as	6	6	
rice per sq. ft.	s	d	price per sq. ft.	S	d	

(Cost given under "external walls"). 10¹/₂-in. cavity wall construction with large window units continuous as frames through two floors. R.c. beams across openings, where required to carry floors and roof.

House at Rickmansworth

External walls

11-in. cavity walls. $4\frac{1}{2}$ -in. secondhand London stock brick outer leaf and 4-in. clinker block inner leaf, except first floor front and back elevation, where a 4-in. inner leaf and 3-in. clinker block outer leaf are faced with battens and cedar horizontal boarding. solid wall $1\cdot48$

Ratio: $\frac{1}{1}$ floor area $\frac{1}{1}$

Windows

R.C. lintels, softwood frames, hardwood sills and standard metal casements. $\frac{\text{windows}}{\text{Ratio:}} = \frac{0.22}{2}$

floor area I

External doors

I double and I single garage doors, ledged, framed, braced and boarded. Utility room and front door, external quality hardwood doors. Ratio: $0^{\circ 09}$

floor area 1

Upper floors

Timber joists, 8-in. \times 1¹/₂-in. at 14-in. c.c. and spanning 10 ft. 8 in. Area: 413 sq. ft. 8-in. \times 2-in. joists at 16-in. spanning 14 ft. Area: 216 sq. ft.

Staircases

One ladder type staircase with 10-in. \times 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. hardwood treads, 10-in. \times 2-in. hardwood strings, $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. m.s. balusters and plastic handrail on m.s. plate.

Roof construction

45 deg. pitched roof. 7-in. × 3-in. purlins,
4-in. × 1½-in. rafters at 16-in. centres for two-storey. Area: 1,120 sq. ft.
6-in. × 3-in. purlin, 4-in. × 1½-in. rafters at 16-in. centres for one-storey. Area: 572 sq. ft.

Glazing

24- and 32-oz. clear sheet glass. 4-in. plate for doors and hall window. Obscured glass for "Cloaks."

Total of structural elements 21s 01d

PARTITIONS AND FITTINGS

Internal partitions Type of partition:	4 ¹ / ₂ -in. brick	2½-in. clinker
Area of each type:	682 sq. ft.	block. 360 sq. ft.

a House at Reigate

External walls 0 3 0 61 Rustic flettons. Some walls in rough York stone with raked-out joints. solid wall I · 102 Ratio: floor area τ Windows 2 61 2 21/2 Pivoting metal casements in softwood frames. windows 0.3151 Ratio: floor area I 1 01 **External doors** 5 Front door, 2-in. glazed. Other, f.l. and b., with flush face internally. doors 0.056 Ratio: floor area I 1 61 **Upper floors** 1 3 Timber joists spanning 10 ft. and 12 ft. Softwood boarding. 2 21 Staircases 81 One, afrormosia polished, with softwood strings, painted. Width: 2 ft. a in. Total rise: 8 ft. 3 in. 9 61 3 21 **Roof construction** 35-deg. pitched gable end roof. Purlins strutted off cross walls where possible, but 2 TDA type trusses used over sitting room. Fibreglass insulation. 1 21 1 11 Glazing Double glazing in most windows. 32-oz. sheet in garage, etc., reeded in bathrooms. Total of structural elements 258 1d

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 Internal partitions
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 Lightweight concrete blocks, clinker blocks and
 4½-in. brick.
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Screens Sideboard-screen fitting in dining room-hall.

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9³ Internal doors 11 single, flush doors.

Internal doors

8 single doors, standard flush hardwood faced. I double door, softwood framed glazed plate.

House at Dorking

External walls

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Load-bearing brick cavity walls-outer leaf sandfaced multi-wire-cuts in Garden Wall bond with flush joints in I : I : 6 mortar-inner leaf 4-in. clinker blocks in I : I : 6 mortar. Small areas of patent renderings. solid wall 2.11

Ratio: floor area т

Windows

Softwood frames, casements and hoppers (modified Ejma sections) some with external Agba picture frame surrounds. 0.23 windows

Ratio: I

floor area

External doors

Generally painted softwood frames and doors with glazed panels.

doors 0.12 Ratio: floor area т

Upper floors

9-in. \times 2-in. and 7-in. \times 2-in. softwood joists carrying 1-in. nominal tongued and grooved softwood boarding. Maximum clear span is 13 ft. 9 in. Total area 726 sq. ft. (including balcony). Normal domestic superloads.

Staircases

Internal open riser staircase with 14-in. nominal Agba treads, one end built into brick wall and other end supported on metal brackets to 5-in. \times 4-in. softwood carriage. Number of internal staircases is one. Also folding aluminium loft ladder to roof space. Width of staircase : 3 ft., total rise : 9 ft.

Roof construction

Main pitched roof : 30 deg. standard Ejma trusses at approximately 6-ft. centres with 3-in. × 2-in. softwood rafters. Area of pitched roof 1,184 sq. ft. actual (1,000 sq. ft. on plan).

Flat roofs : 1-in. tongued and grooved softwood boarding laid flat on softwood joists. Area of flat roof 347 sq. ft.

Glazing

Generally 24-oz. and 32-oz. clear sheet puttied and 1-in. p.p. and 1-in. Georgian wired cast glass beaded.

Total of structural elements 18s 9¹/₄d

PARTITIONS AND FITTINGS

Internal partitions

Type of partition: 42-in. brick 3-in. breeze 2-in. breeze blocks blocks Area of each type: 560 sq. ft. 224 sq. ft. 56 sq. ft.

Internal doors

Number of single doors is ten. Number of double doors is one. Some semi-solid core flush doors, some fully glazed softwood framed, all hung to 12-in. nominal Agba linings without architrave.

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d House at Stevenage

6 41 External walls Ratio: $\frac{\text{solid wall}}{\text{floor area}} = \text{house } \frac{I \cdot I}{I}$

surgery and garage -

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Softwood painted. Standard metal vents. windows 0.37 Ratio: ----- = house ---floor area 0.36 garage _____ surgery _____

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doors = house -0.0010 Ratio: floor area surgery $\frac{0.033}{I}$ garage $\frac{0.425}{I}$

1 71 **Upper floors**

T & g softwood boarding on 9-in. \times 2-in. and 7-in. \times 2-in. joists. Span: 16 ft. maximum. Area: 866 sq. ft. Superloads: 40 lb. per sq. ft.

10 Staircases

Open riser, mahogany nosing, cork faced treads. Mahogany veneered balustrade wall and mahogany wreathed handrail on satin chrome brackets. Width 3 ft. total rise, 9 ft. 1 in.

Roof construction 1 9

Type of roof: flat. Compressed straw slabs on timber joists with asphalt covering. Area: (a) house, 1,081 sq. ft.; (b) surgery and garage, 1,268 sq. ft.

94 Glazing

Clear glazing, 24-oz., 26-oz. and 32-oz. 2-in. polished plate. Obscure glazing, 1-in. polished plate acid etched. Rolled cathedral in small lights.

Total of structural elements 16s 64d

11 **Internal partitions**

Type of partition:	2-in. breeze	4-in. breeze
	blocks	blocks
Area of each type:	900 sq. ft.	236 sq. ft.

Screens Flush-horizontal-sliding timber screen with hinged leaf dividing dining room from living room.

1 21 **Internal doors**

Obeche veneered, wax polished. 25 single, no double.

House at Rickmansworth

Ironmongery

Satin anodized aluminium. Lever handles.

Fittings

Hardwood framed hatch and cupboard fitment, hardboard, opaque coloured glass and reeded glass. Softwood bookshelves in living room. Ejma kitchen cupboards. Softwood wardrobes in bedrooms.

Total of partitions and fittings

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6 Ironmongery Mortice locks. Anodized aluminium levers and cupboard knobs. $2 \quad 0\frac{1}{2}$ Fittings Wardrobes, built-in dressing table and bedhead fitting. Bookcases and special fittings beside fireplace. All

Total of partitions and fittings 11s 4¹/₂d

FINISHINGS - - - -

Floor finishes			2	(
Type of finish	Area in sq. ft.	Price per sq. yd.		
Black and white				
ceramic tiles	108	45s. od.		
Sapele wood block	311	428. od.		
Sapele wood strip	61	505. od.		
Quarry tiles	234	gos od.		
Softwood	515	IS. 6d.		
Screed (trowel finish)	210			

Wall finishes

§-in. plaster render and set, including wood pelmets. 6-in. \times 6-in. wall tiling round bath. Secondhand London stocks (cost included under external walls)

Ceiling finishes

1-in. plaster lath and setting coat.

Roof finishes

Machine-made sand-faced clay roofing tiles. Area: 1,692 sq. ft. measured on slope.

Decorations

Emulsion paint on walls and ceilings. Oil paint on softwood. Plastic seal to external hardwood, wax polish to internal hardwood.

Total of finishings 10s 11d

SERVICES

External plumbing C.i. r.w.p.s and half round eaves gutters. (Cost includes soil stack and waste branches.)

Sanitary fittings

Type of fitting	No. of each type
Low level w.c. cistern	2
Stainless steel sink	I
Lavatory basins	3
Bath, 6 ft. \times 2 ft. 3 in.	I
Porcelain sink	I

2	01	Floor finishes			2	$9\frac{1}{2}$
		Type of finish	Location	Price per sq. yd		
		Quarries	Dining room and hall	-		
		§-in. thick mahogany blocks with aluminium backing	Sitting room	39s. 6d.		
		Linoleum	Kitchen, bathrooms	38s. 6d.		
		Thermoplastic	Maid's room	24s. od.		
1	104	Wall finishes Plaster.			1	10
		Tiling in bathroom ar	nd kitchen.			
2	$0\frac{1}{2}$	Ceiling finishes			1	4 ¹ / ₄
		Garage, rendering on	lath. expanded meta	l reinforcement.		
2	3	Roof finishes			3	0^{1}_{4}
		Cedar shingles. Area:	2,112 sq. ft.			
1	11	Decorations		-	1	8
		gloss paint on wood a	on walls and cei and iron. Extern	lings; 3 coats		

white cement paint, 2 coats.

Total of finishings 10s

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External plumbing 1 31 C.i gutters and r.w.p.s. C.i. soil pipes. Copper wastes. Copper flashings and casing to chimney flue.

1 101 Sanitary fittings Cost included with hot and cold water installation.

Type of fitting	No. of each type
Baths	2
Basins	3
Syphonic w.c.s	2
Stainless double sink unit	I

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House at Dorking

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External doors: cylinder mortice dead locks (suited).

Internal doors: mortice latches (no locks). Handles: B.M.A. lever type.

Fittings

Kitchen units, radiator shelves, curtain track, etc.

Total of partitions and fittings 3s 9d

FINISHINGS

Floor finishes

Ground floor: living room 1-in. nominal missanda tongued and grooved strip fixed to $1\frac{1}{2}$ -in. $\times 1\frac{1}{2}$ -in. treated splayed battens fixed in 1:3 screed. Remainder: 6-in. $\times \frac{1}{2}$ -in. red quarry tiles on 1:3 screed. (Garage, boiler-house, etc., concrete slab finished smooth.)

First floor: 1-in. nominal t & g softwood boarding covered as follows: bathroom and w.c. 3.2-mm. linoleum. Remainder, carpet.

Wall finishes

Generally $\frac{5}{2}$ -in. thick two coat plaster emulsion painted. Panels of facing brickwork each side living room chimney breast.

Some walls papered.

Ceiling finishes

 $\frac{3}{16}$ -in. single coat plaster on plaster-board (plain to ground floor, aluminium-foil covered to first floor).

Roof finishes

Main pitched roof, Redland " 50 " Double Roman tiles on battens and felt. Soffits, painted hardboard. Flat roofs, 3-ply built-up roofing with granite chippings.

Decorations

External: high gloss oils. Internal: all softwood semi-gloss oils. All hardwood wax polished or phenol lacquer. All plaster emulsion painted. Some individual walls papered.

Total of finishings 11s 7d

SERVICES

External plumbing

C.i. single stack main soil and waste pipe (in internal duct). C.i. rainwater gutters and down pipes.

Sanitary fittings

Normal domestic lavatory basins and low-level w.c. suites.

Standard Belfast sink and hardwood drainer in Utility.

Coloured porcelain-enamelled double-drainer sink with mixer tap in kitchen. (Cold water off rising main.) d

d House at Stevenage

10 Ironmongery

Anodized aluminium and satin chrome. Internal door handles, ebonised hardwood knobs on anodised shanks.

9³/₄ Fittings

Built-in cupboard fronts in hall, bathroom and bedrooms. Hatchway between kitchen and dining room

Total of partitions and fittings 7s 44d

3 $7\frac{1}{2}$ Floor finishes

Type of finish	Area in sq. ft.	Price per sq. yd.
Mahogany wood		
block	450	37s. 11d.
Grey and black		
thermoplastic tiles	351	20S.
Cork tile	63	50s. 11d.
T. & g. boards	307.	13s. 6d.
Linoleum	-	-

1 7¹ Wall finishes Plaster and glazed tiles

1 0¹/₄ Ceiling finishes Plasterboard with skim coat

2 9 Roof finishes ¹/₄-in. asphalt covering 2,349 sq. ft.

2 7 Decorations

Architraves, skirtings and other hardwood wax polished, including doors and window linings. Elsewhere, gloss paint. Ceilings, washable distemper. Walls, plastic emulsion. Staircase wall, wallpaper.

Total of finishings 9s 14d

External plumbing None. All r.w.p.s internal in asbestos cement of vitreous enamelled sheet.

1 4¹/₄ Sanitary fittings

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 Type of fitting
 No. of each type

 Lavatory basins
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 W.c.s
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 Bath
 I (6 ft.)

 Sink
 I stainless steel double bowl.

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House at Rickmansworth	8	d	House at Reigate	s	d
lot and cold water installation Copper tubing. Solid fuel boiler.	2	23	Hot and cold water installation Insulated copper cylinder in bathroom with immersion heater. Under draining board storage heater in utility room also serves kitchen. Copper services. Electric towel rail.	3	8
leating and ventilation Fireplace with slow burning fire and back boiler roviding convected warm air to living and dining ooms and hot water to radiators in living room, nd hall, and hot pipes in linen cupboard.	1	7	Heating and ventilation Underfloor heating, 9.92 kW with 5 thermostats. (Price includes builders' work in laying expanded metal reinforcement over floors, extra screed, etc.)	3	10
Gas installation gas poker points.		2			
Electrical installation	1	4	Electrical installation	2	8
Type of pointNo. of each typeCeiling points15Wall lights4Power points10Immersion heater1Bells2			Type of pointNo. of each typeLight32CookerI13-amp.27(Immersion heater, towel rail and water heaters)(Price includes light fittings.)		
Total of services $\overline{8s 5\frac{1}{2}}$	i		Total of services 11s 8 ² / ₄	łd	
Drainage Dne pipe system. Rainwater to soakaways. 4-in. Salt glazed stoneware. 2 inspection chambers.	2	43	Drainage R.w. to soakaways. Septic tank. 4 manholes. Salt glazed stoneware pipes.	4	0
Other elements Balcony and flower box with $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. wrought iron balustrade and plastic rail as for staircase.		9‡	Other elements Terrace and garden walling, etc.	8	1
Total per sq. ft. of floor area: (4,139 (final cost excluding external works)			Total per sq. ft. of floor area: £7,051 16s. 3≹d. (excluding external works)		

SUMMARY

Ground floor area: 889 sq. ft.	Lower floor area: 534.5 sq. ft.
Total floor area: 1,518 sq. ft.	Main floor area, 1,278.5 sq. ft.
Type of contract: RIBA (without quantities).	Total floor area: 1,813 sq. ft.
Tender date: September 1956.	Type of contract: RIBA.
Work began: November 1956.	Tender date: September 1956.
Work finished: July 1957.	Work began: November 1956.
Tender price of foundations, superstructure,	Work finished: March 1957.
installations and finishes: £4,010.	Tender price of foundations, superstructure,
Final contract price: £4,139.	installations and finishes: £7,024.
Tender price of external works and ancillary buildings:	Final contract price; £7,051 16s. 31d.
£170.	Tender price of external works and ancillary buildings: £900.
Final contract price: £211.	Final contract price: £1,100.
Total: £4,450.	Total: £8,151 168. 3 ¹ / ₂ d.
Final contract price: £4,139. Tender price of external works and ancillary buildings: £170. Final contract price: £211. Total: £4,450.	installations and finishes: £7,024. Final contract price; £7,051 16s. 3½d. Tender price of external works and ancillary buildings: £900. Final contract price: £1,100. Total: £8,151 16s. 3½d.

House at Dorkin	ng	s	d	House at Steven	nage
California installation		1	111	Hat and cold water in	stallation
Piping galvanized Cla	as C too-gallon tank		112	(a) house: solid fuel	warm-air heating. Conner
galvanized, in insulat	ed boxing.			piping.	nature are nonterible copper
				(b) surgery: instantan	eous heating, of water, by
Heating and hot water	installation	5	33	gas; of space, by elec	tricity.
Internal temperature	s 55 deg. F. when external			Air change: 11-2 per	bour
walls 20 "II" of ro	of 18			"U" of walls: 0.2.	nour.
Heating installation:	ground floor, floor heating by			" U " of roof: 0.15.	
a-in. welded class C	coils embedded in screed,				
controlled by Leonar	d Type 4 mixing valve.				
Circulating pump. 1-	in. fibreboard edge installation				
2 ft. wide to ground	floor slab. First floor, hospital-				
Hot water installation	a: 35g. indirect cylinder in				
landing cupboard with	th 3-kW immersion heater for			Gas installation	
summer.				3 points.	
Electrical installation		3	1‡	Electrical installation	
The second	Mr. Surah auto			Tube of baint	No of each tube
I ype of point	No of each type			Light/ceiling	No. of each type
Power	24			Light/wall	10
Bell	2			Power/13 amp.	27
Cooker	I			Power/30 amp.	I
Immersion heater	I				
Wiring: t.r.s. in roof	and floor voids, conduit drops				
in plastered walls. Po	wer 13 amp. ring main system.				
fluorescent in kitcher	and utility, tungsten elsewher	e.			
	Total of services 13s 3d				Total of services 7s
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Drainage Soil and waster salt of	lazed staneware nines with	2	41	(a) surface water Sa	It glazed stoneware-second
No. 2 manholes lead	ing to main sewer. Rainwater:			(b) foul. Salt glazed	l stoneware—ordinary,
" seconds " pipes lea	ding to soakaways.			encased under buildi	ng.
Other elements				Other elements	
External balustrades.			2	Terrace canopy.	
Living room fire: mo	dified convector fire with	1	01		
under-floor combusti	on and convection air. Sunk				
(Solid fuel hin comp	artment also filled through				
external hatch.)	artimetri allo mirea enroafii				
	loor area			Total per sq. ft. of f	loor area:
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Ground floor area: 1,855 sq. ft. Ground floor area: 1,041 sq. ft. Total floor area: 1,774 sq. ft. Total floor area: 2,721 sq. ft. Type of contract: RIBA with quantities. Type of contract: RIBA with quantities. Tender date: September 1954. Tender date: December 1954. Work began: February 1955. Work began: November 1954. Work finished: September 1955. Tender price of foundations, superstructure Work finished: December 1955. Tender price of foundations, superstructure, installations and finishes: £5,259. installations and finishes: £8,688. Tender price of external works: £108 Final contract price: £7,850. Tender price for external works: £762. Total £5,367 Final contract price: £500. Total £9,450

COST COMMENTS

It is not easy to make useful direct comparisons in cost between houses so different in character and size. The best one can do is to calculate the actual sums of money spent on certain items to serve as a guide when drawing up one's own schemes.

The fireplace with backboiler and radiators at Rickmansworth is of course the cheapest form of heating (\pounds 120) but it is interesting to observe that at Reigate underfloor electric heating only cost \pounds 245 to floors twice the area. At Stevenage the total cost of all services \pounds 986 against \pounds 1,175 at Dorking (two thirds the size) seems remarkably low to include a full heating scheme. That the lighting and power installation was only \pounds 100 at Rickmansworth and \pounds 366 at Reigate is evidence of the degree of difference which one must expect in meeting a client's demand.

An endeavour to decide what makes Reigate so relatively expensive apart from fittings and equipment, and despite its economic heating scheme leads one to the roof. At Rickmansworth and Dorking the roof structural work and coverings amount to \pounds_{411} and \pounds_{399} respectively. At Reigate, however, this is $\pounds_{1,140}$ although the house is only a little larger.

Having regard to the total price, the price per foot super and accommodation provided, the figures suggest that the house at Stevenage is the most economical.

CONTRACTORS

HOUSE AT SARRATT LANE, RICKMANSWORTH: General contractor: Abbiss & Hale Ltd. Sub-contractors: Roof tiling: A. H. Herbert Ltd. Wood block and strip floors: Stevens and Adams Ltd. Electrical installation: A. Thompson & Son Ltd. Handrail: Marley Tile Co. Ltd.

HOUSE AT REIGATE HEATH: General contractors: House & Tester. Sub-contractors: Drive: Mechanised Gardening Ltd. Roof shingles: W. H. Colt & Son Ltd. Slate sills: Broughton Moor Green Slate Quarries Ltd. Steel windows: James Couper & Co. Ltd. Door frames: Henry Hope & Sons Ltd. Electrical installation: P. J. Brown. Floor heating: Panelec Ltd. Joinery: James Glanville Ltd. and Jayanbee Joinery Ltd. Flooring: Decorative Floors Ltd. Ironmongery: Alfred Roberts Ltd.

HOUSE AT ROMAN ROAD, DORKING: General contractor: R. E. Stephens. Sub-contractors: Heating installation: Barrett & Wright. Electrical installation: D. G. S. Hendry. Roofing: (pitched) Redland Tiles; (flat) Neuchatel Asphalt Co. Hardwood flooring: Horsley Smith.

HOUSE AT BROADWATER CRESCENT, STEVENAGE: General contractor: Tersons Ltd. Sub-contractors: Central heating: Radiation Whole House Warming. Asphalt roofing: Ragusa Asphalt Ltd. Floor tiles: Marley Tiles Ltd. Cork stair treads: Rowan and Bowden Ltd. Woodblock flooring: Hollis Bros. Ltd. Linoleum: Bowman Bros. Ltd. Sanitary fittings: Shanks & Adamsez Ltd. Plumbing: Thomas Talbot Ltd. Insulation boards: Stramit Boards Ltd. Sliding windows: P. G. Allday Ltd. Rainwater goods: Vittaflex Ltd. Ironmongery: Gibbons, Alfred Roberts. Doors and kitchen fittings: Jayanbee Joinery Ltd. Other joinery: Rippers Ltd.



North elevation of the house at Rickmansworth.



Entrance hall of the house at Reigate.



Kitchen of the house at Dorking.



The pergola of the house at Stevenage.





PARTITIONS TIMBER-FRAMED BUILDING BOARD

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GRANGEWOOD UNIT PARTITIONING.

Manufacturer Grangewood Partitions

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This Sheet describes Grangewood timber-framed unit partitioning which is simply and speedily erected and dismantled and can, within limits, be varied in height and width to suit site conditions.

Principle

The partitioning consists of standard units and door units of which each available size permits a height variation between the limits shown on the face of the Sheet (runs in excess of 150 fl. can be specially made to any height). The partitioning is therefore easily adapted to fit under beams or accommodate varying ceiling heights. Corresponding telescopic units are also obtainable, variable in width as well as height, for filling in where necessary. The base fixing consists of a metal section which is screwed to the floor, the bottom rail of the partitioning being grooved to slide over it. Each standard unit requires a single fixing bracket only at ceiling height. Concealed patent locking devices of the trigger type, three to each unit, link the partitioning together; they are operated by a removable key. Provision for electric wiring is made in the standard units.

Construction

Standard unit: The construction of the standard unit is shown in the isometric section on the face of the Sheet. The timber framing has a double skin of $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. hardboard, with bevelled edges, to a height of 4 ft. 0 in. from the floor. The upper part provides for two or three glazed panels (according to height). Glazing beads are included on both sides of the unit, as shown, to allow for double-glazing if desired; the glass rebate is $\frac{1}{2}$ in. high by $\frac{1}{2}$ in. deep. Units are supplied with obscure glass for single glazing cut to size to suit the particular ceiling height.

Units are joined by the patent locking device shown in the detail on the face of the Sheet. The spindle of the locking hook is countersunk in the jamb and cover plates are provided. Three locks are provided to each unit. Timber tongues, equal in length to the centres of the locking devices and slotted at the ends to allow the locking arm to pass, are positioned in the grooved jambs.

Door unit: The framing of the door unit is similar to that of the standard unit. A 6 ft. 6 in. by 2 ft. 9 in. half-glazed door is supplied, hinged for hanging to either jamb to open either way. Lock and handles are supplied. Provision is made for one or two glass panels over the door (according to height of partition). *Telescopic unit:* The ends of internal members of the telescopic unit are grooved and jointed with a loose tongue, so that they can be extended to any size up to the maximum.

Junction post: A member of $2\frac{1}{4}$ -in. square section is available for filling in the angle between units at corners, and for use as a junction post at three- and four-way intersections.

Floor fixing section: This is a $2\frac{1}{6}$ in. by $\frac{5}{6}$ in. by 16 s.w.g. rolled steel section. The flanges are provided with countersunk holes at 2 ft. 3 in. centres for screwing to the floor.

Ceiling bracket: This is of $2\frac{7}{8}$ in. by $\frac{9}{16}$ in. by 16 s.w.g. metal section and 1 in. wide with a countersunk hole in the longer flange as shown in the drawing on the face of the Sheet.

Sizes and weights

The partitioning can vary in height from 7 ft. 0 in. to 11 ft. 0 in. It has an overall thickness of 3 in. and weighs 2 lb. 14 oz. per sq. ft.

Fixing

The floor fixing section is screwed to the floor and the partition adjusted for height: the top rail of each partition unit can be moved down to the required height and the surplus length sawn off the side members. One ceiling bracket is required for each unit and the top rail can be raised to butt the ceiling and engage with the bracket before being pinned to the side members. Electric wiring may be run in the grooved head and bottom rails and between the jambs where a groove is provided for the purpose.

Thermal and Sound Insulation

The units may be double-glazed if required. The flush lower panel can be supplied with an infilling of glass fibres or mineral wool and flush doors can be similarly supplied. To isolate the partitioning from the main structure a packing of hair felt can be inserted at floor, ceiling and wall junctions.

Finish

The units are supplied "in the white" ready for decoration on the site.

Further Information

The manufacturer can give a quotation for a complete scheme where the purchaser is to carry out erection or, alternatively, where the Grangewood Partition Service is to erect the partitioning and carry out all glazing, door-hanging, fitting of latches and decoration.

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FLOOR AND ROOF STRUCTURAL ELEMENTS | CONCRETE

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20.D4 · TRUSCON· PRECAST CONCRETE FLOOR TYPE 1

This Sheet describes the construction of floors and roofs using Truscon Type 1 precast reinforced concrete units. The drawings on the face show the design of the units and typical bearings and ceiling treatments. Prestressed units (Truscon Type 3) are also available up to 40 ft. 0 in. in length: these are dealt with on Sheet 20.D5.

Construction

The units are purpose-made to suit individual span and load requirements (see *Sizes*). They are easily erected without the use of close-boarded shuttering and supports. The isometric drawing on the face of the Sheet shows the placing of the metal end-caps, which are supplied, and the grouting of the vee joints. It also shows the solid end bearings and the continuity rods which are placed in the vee joints across intermediate supports.

The soffits of the units may be left unceiled, but if a ceiling is required electric conduit and other services can be concealed in the troughs.

Sizes

The units are available in lengths up to 21 ft. 6 in. and depths from 5 in. to $9\frac{3}{4}$ in. The standard overall width is approximately 1 ft. $4\frac{1}{4}$ in., varying by fractions of an inch according to depth. Threequarter width units are available for filling in.

Loading

The table below gives maximum spans and suitable unit depths for various superimposed loadings in lb./sq. ft. In every case, an additional 20 lb. per sq. ft. has been allowed for finishes. The top slab of the concrete units is usually $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. for loadings up to 150 lb./sq. ft. and 2 in. for loadings over 150 lb./sq. ft.

Depth of	Maximum span (ft. and in.) for loading:		Depths of	Maximum span (ft. and in.) for loading:		
units (in.)	up to 80 lb./sq. ft.	up to 100 lb./sq. ft.	units (in.)	up to 150 lb./sq. ft.	up to 200 Ib./sq. ft.	
5 6 7 8 9	11 0 13 0 15 0 16 6 18 6	10 10 13 0 14 6 16 4 17 4	5± 6‡ 7± 8± 9±	11 2 12 10 13 11 14 10 15 8	10 0 11 7 12 7 13 4 14 2	

Fire Resistance

A number of typical Truscon floor constructions have been tested by the J.F.R.O. and the following table summarises the fire resistance gradings which can be offered for Type 1.

	Details of Truscor construc	Minimum		
Fire resistance grading		Thickn	of solid concrete floor required	
	Ceiling	at crown of unit	screed	by Model Byelaws
l hr.	none	2 in.	1 in.	4 in.
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Below: Theatre in Coventry; a view across the auditorium of the newly-opened Belgrade Theatre. The interior of the National Film Theatre will also be given the full treatment in this issue.

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 Applications stating age, qualifications, past and present appointments, present salary and details of experience and tarining, together with the names of three referees (of whom at least two should be architects) should be forwarded to the Secretary of the Board. Benfield Road, New-castle-upon-Tyne, 6, not later than 4th July 1958.

9733 HUDDERSFIELD COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY Principal: DR. W. E. Scort, M.B.E. SCHOOL OF ART Required September, 1958, Grade "B" ASSIS-TANT (Male) in ARCHITECTURE. Degree or Diploma in Architecture and/or A.R.I.B.A. quali-fication. The salary (Burnham Scale) rises to a maximum of £1,025 plus allowances for graduate status (275 or £125) plus allowances

-17th June, 1958.

BOROUGH OF MAIDSTONE APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR ASSISTANT ARCHITECT IN BOROUGH SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT Applications are invited from qualified Archi-tects to fil the above vacancy in the Archite-tural Section, at a salary in accordance with the "Special Grade," commencing at 4910 and rising to £1,030, subject to satisfactory service. Applicants should have had experience in a senior capacity, and the post offers good oppor-tunities to those seeking to augment such experience.

senior capacity, and the post offers good oppor-tunities to those seeking to augment such experience. The appointment will be subject to the National Scheme of Conditions of Service, the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1955, the passing of a medical examination, and one month's notice on either side. Canvassing will disqualify. Where circumstances warrant, con-sideration will be given to the provision of housing accommodation. Applications, on forms to be obtained from the Borough Surveyor, must be sent to the Borough Surveyor, Palace Avenue, Maidstone, not later than the 8th July. T. SCHOLES,

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 APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT ARCHITECT

 The Council invite applications for the above-mentioned post in the Architect and Engineer's

 Dept., at a salary in accordance with the N.J.C.

 scheme for the grading of special classes of officers, viz., 2750 × £40-£1,030 per annum, plus

 London Allowance.

 Candidates must hold a qualification appropriate to the post as required by para. 21(8)(ix)(c) of the Scheme of Conditions of Service.

 Applications giving full particulars, and the names and addresses of two referees, to reach the Council's Architect and Surveyor at the address below by Saturday, 5th July, 1958.

 Canvassing will disquality.
 T. U. WATTS, Clerk of the Council.

T. L. WATTS, Clerk of the Council.

Clerk of the Con-Sunbury-on-Thames. Teth Jour Jose CITY OF LANCASTER ADDications are invited for the above post in the City Engineer's Department on N.J.C. Special Grade. Candidates must have passed Final R.I.C.S. (Quanta). Applications, stating age, present post and sand names of two referees. to reach L. Lyons, Eag., B.Sc., City Engineer. Town Hall, Lancaster, not later than 10 a.m., Tuesday, July 1st, 1958. Housing accommodation may be made avail-able to person appointed if required. J. WAPDELL, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Lancaster. 10th June, 1958.

St. Pancras Town Hall, Euston Road, London, N.W.1.

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COUNTY BOROUGH OF DARLINGTON BOROUGH ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT Applications are invited for the Appointment of an ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. Salary in accordance with the Special Grade of N.J.C. Scales (2750-21,030), starting point according to experience.

accordance with the Special Grade of N.J.C. Scales (C750-£1.030), starting point according to experience. The Department has a large programme in-cluding secondary and Primary Schools, Housing, Welfare Schemes, and Municipal Offices. Prefer-ence will be given to candidate experienced in this class of work, and who are members of the R.I.B.A. Housing accommodation will be made available, if required. Applications, present appointment with salary, previous appointments with dates, and the name and address of three referees to be received by E.A. Tornbohm, A.R.I.B.A., A.M.T.P.I., Borough Architect, Central Buildings, Darlington, not later than first post on Thursday the 17th July, 1958. H. HOPKINS.

H. HOPKINS, Town Clerk. 9757

9757 UNIVERSITY OF DURHAM KING'S COLLEGE, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE APPOINTMENT OF COLLEGE RESIDENT ARCHITECT/ENGINEER/SURVEYOR The Council of King's College invite applica-tions for the post of Resident Architect/Engineer/ Surveyor, the exact title being dependent upon the qualifications of the person appointed. The Resident "Officer " will be responsible to the Bursar and through him to the Council of King's College and their General Purposes Com-mittee. He will have special responsibility to advise on the development of the College estates and to implement the Building Programme. He duiles of the post. Candidates must have a recognised qualification of a Professional Body in Architecture, Engineer-ing or Surveying... will be fixed considered

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Registrar of King's Collage. 760 760 COUNTY BOROUGH OF SWANSEA BOROUGH ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT Applications are invited for the post of SENIOR ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYOR-Salary A.P.T. IV, £1,035 × £50-£1,175. Applicants must be Associates of the R.I.C.S. (Quantities) and have had considerable experience in taking off quantities for large contracts and in the supervision of technical staff. The commencing salary in the grade will be in accordance with ability and experience. Candidates must be under 45 years of age unless in Local Government Service. The appointment will be subject to the pro-visions of the Local Government Superannuation Acts and may be terminated by one month's notice on either side. The successful applicant in busing accommodation will be provided. if re-under a superised of the provided from the

Housing accommodation will be provided. If re-quired. Forms of application may be obtained from the Borough Architect. The Guildhall, Swansea. to whom they must be returned not later than Monday. 7th July, 1968. Canvassing disqualifies.

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(b) ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT, Grade A.P.T. I (£575 to £725 per annum).
(c) SENIOR ASSISTANT ENGINEER, Special Grade (£750 to £1,050 per annum).
(d) DRAUGHTSMAN (Architectural), Grade (£750 to £255 per annum).
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C. J. NEWMAN, Town Clerk.

Exeter, June, 1958. 971 CITY OF PORTSMOUTH Applications are invited for an appointment as DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANT (TOWN PLAN-NING) on the Technical Staff of the City Develop-ment Department. The vacancy is on A.P.T. Grade I (\$2575-E72. Applications stating age, present position, qualifications and experience, together with names of two referees, must be delivered to City Develop-ment Officer, 1. Western Parade, Portsmouth, not later than Monday, the 14th July 1962. V. BLANCHARD, Nor Clerk. 9782



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G. B. BLACKALL, Clerk of the Council.

Council Offices,

Corby, Northants. 17th June, 1958

THE VATIONAL COAL BOARD SOUTH WESTERN DIVISION Invite applications for the post of ARCHI-TECTURAL ASSISTANT, Grade 1 in their Divisional Production Department. Architects' Branch, Cambrian Buildings, Mount Stuart Square, Cardiff. Applicants should have passed the Intermediate examination of the R.I.B.A., and have not less than three years' subsequent experience. or have passed the appropriate Final examination, and have had not less than one year's subsequent experience.

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Housing accommodation will be provided, if necessary. Applications, stating age, qualifications, details of previous appointments and experience, and giving the names and addresses of two referees to—The Architect. "Grasscrott," Archway Road, Huyton, Lancashire, not later than the 4th July, 1959 D. WILLGOOSE, Clerk of the Council.

Council Offices. Huyton, Lancs. 20th June, 1958.

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL PLANNING ASSISTANTS required at BLACK. POOL and LIVERPOOL. Applicants should be studying for or possess a qualification in plan-ning, architecture, civil engineering or surveying and appropriate experience is desirable. N.J.C. Conditions of Service. Salary rising to £1,039 per annum (N.J.C. Special Scale) for qualified applicants. Candidates not fully qualified will be appointed on the appropriate grade and sub-ject to satisfactory service will progress to Special Scale on obtaining final qualification. Applications stating appointment applied for, giving age. qualifications, present appointment and two referees to County Planning Officer, East Cliff County Offices, Preston, by 9th July, 1953. 3975

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Town Hall, Wembley, Middx.

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Middx. 910 EAST ANGLIAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT. Candidates must have passed Intermediate Examination of R.I.B.A. or equivalent. Salary £525 (at 21 or over)-£730 per annum; entry point may be fixed above minimum but will not exceed £605. Applications stating age, qualifications, ex-perience and details of present position with names of three referees to Secretary of Board, 117. Chesterton Road, Cambridge, by 5th July, 1958. 9735

1958. COUNTY BOROUGH OF WOLVERHAMPTON APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT ARCHITECT Assistant Architect required. Salary Special Scale (£750-£1,030 p.a.). N.J.C. Conditions of Service. Commencing salary in accordance with experience and qualifications. Applications stating age, training, qualifica-tions, previous experience and naming two referees to the Borough Engineer, Town Hall, Wolver-hampton, in envelope endorsed "Assistant Archi-tect" by Friday, 11th July, 1958. 9781

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