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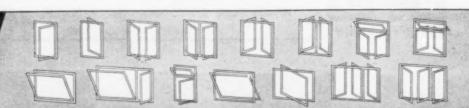
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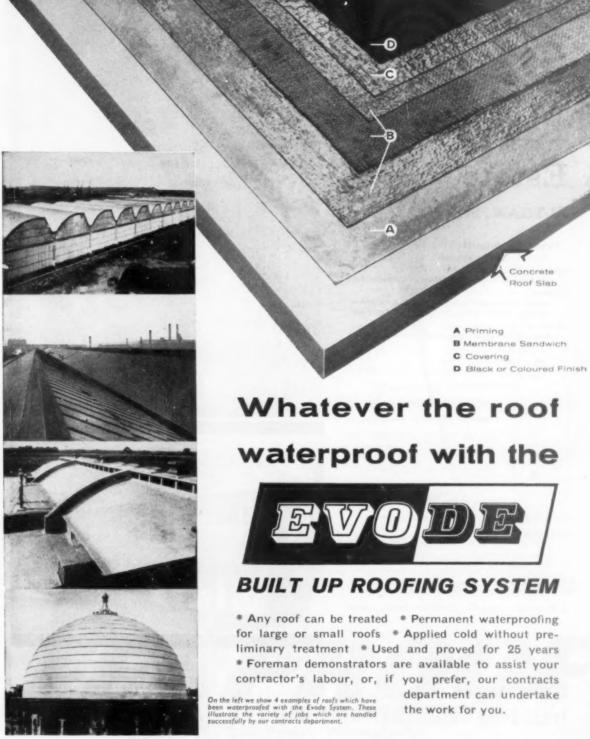
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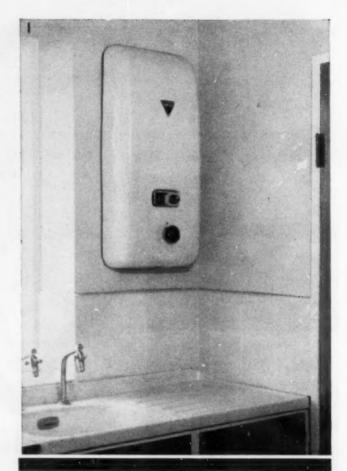
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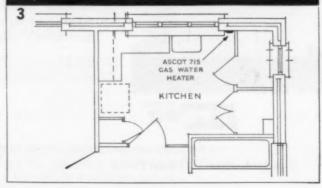
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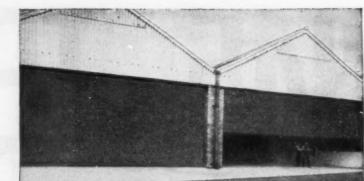


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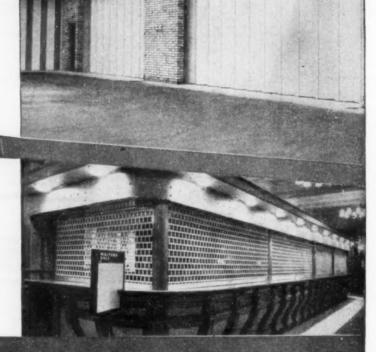
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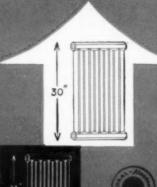
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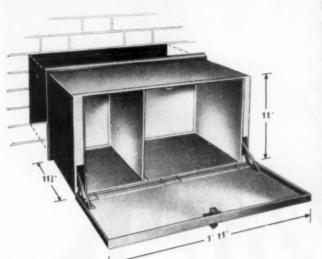














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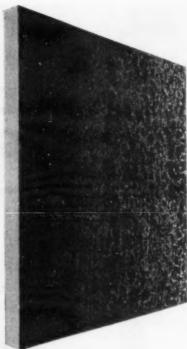


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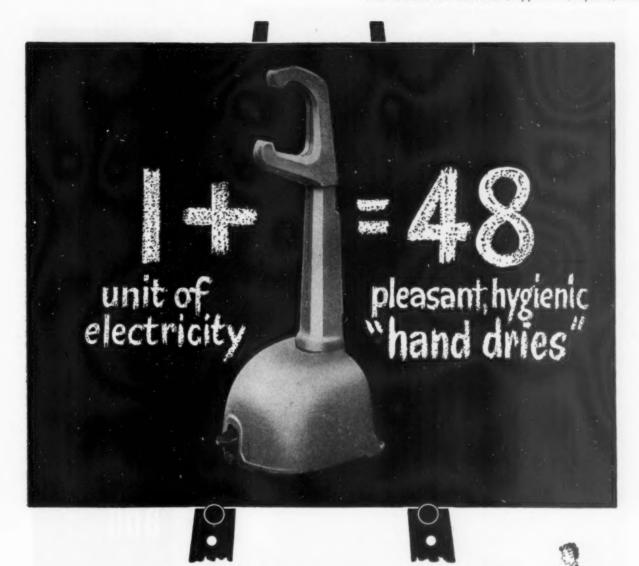
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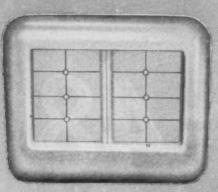
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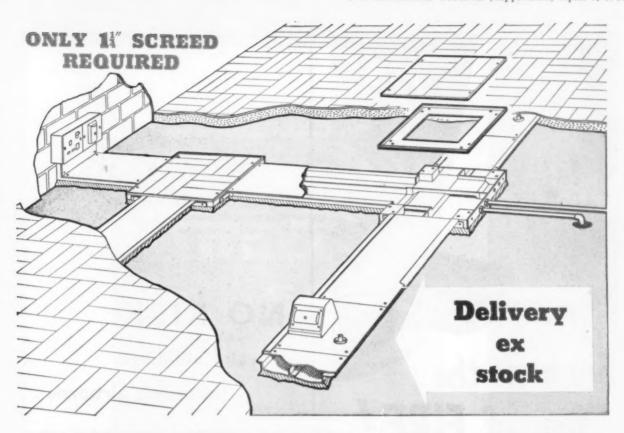
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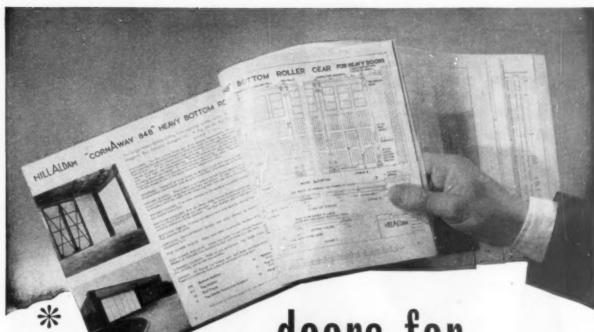
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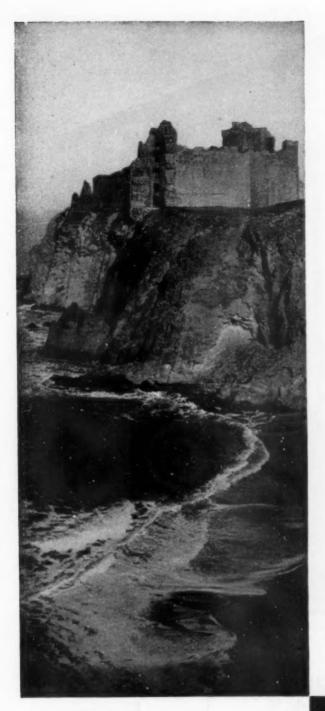
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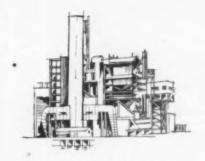
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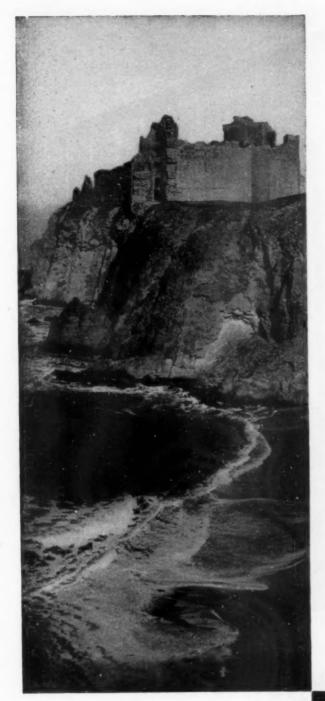
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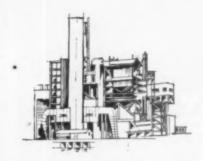
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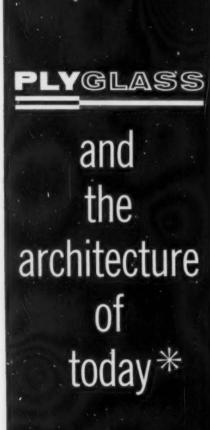
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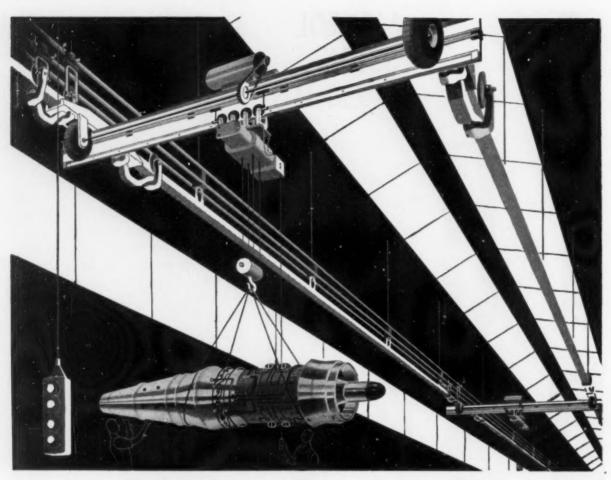
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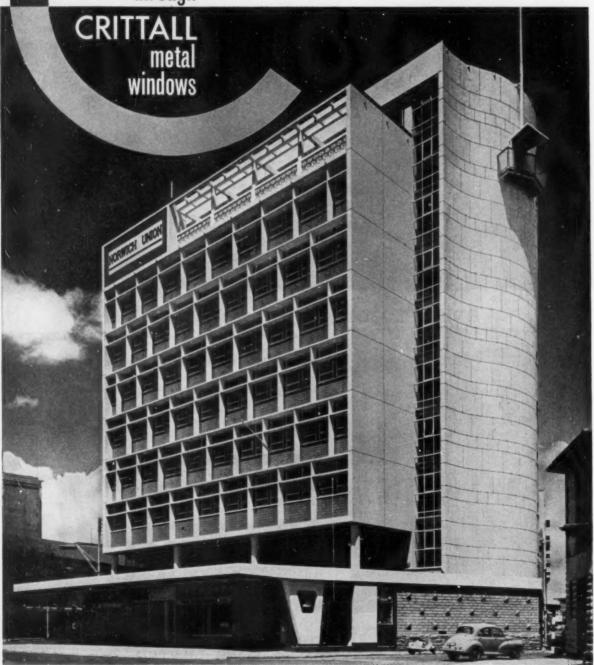
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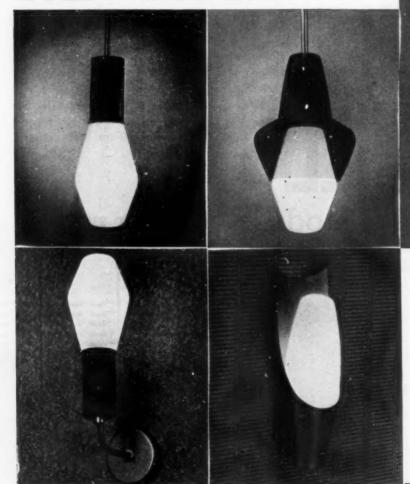
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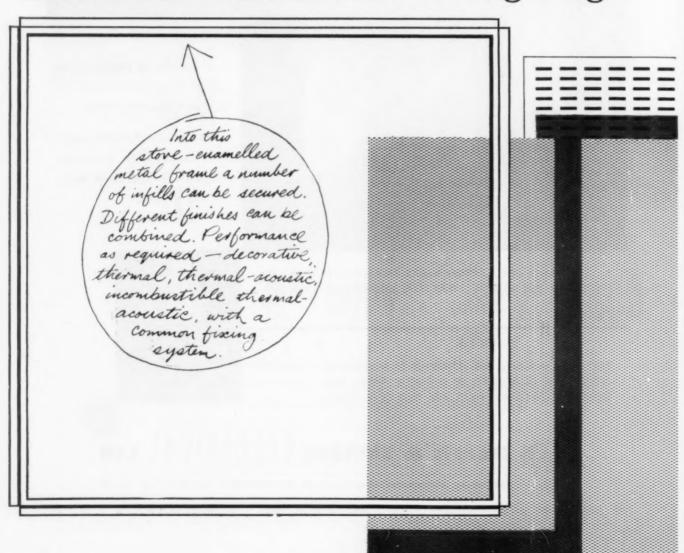
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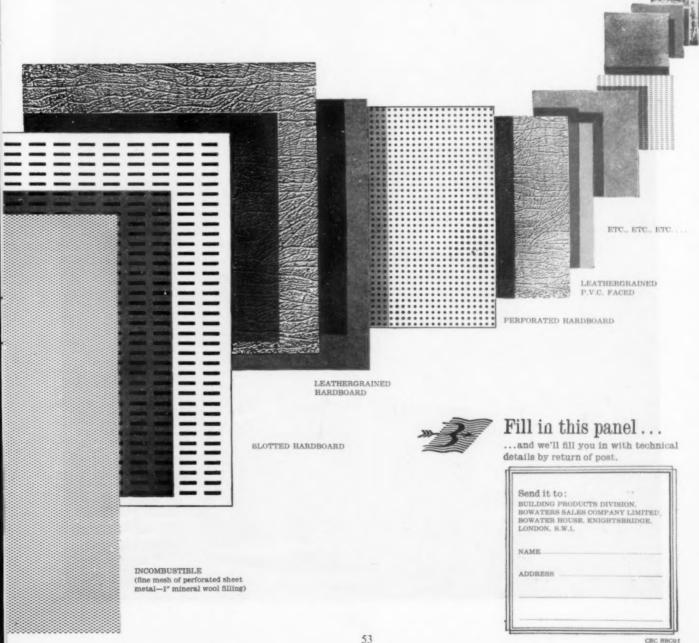
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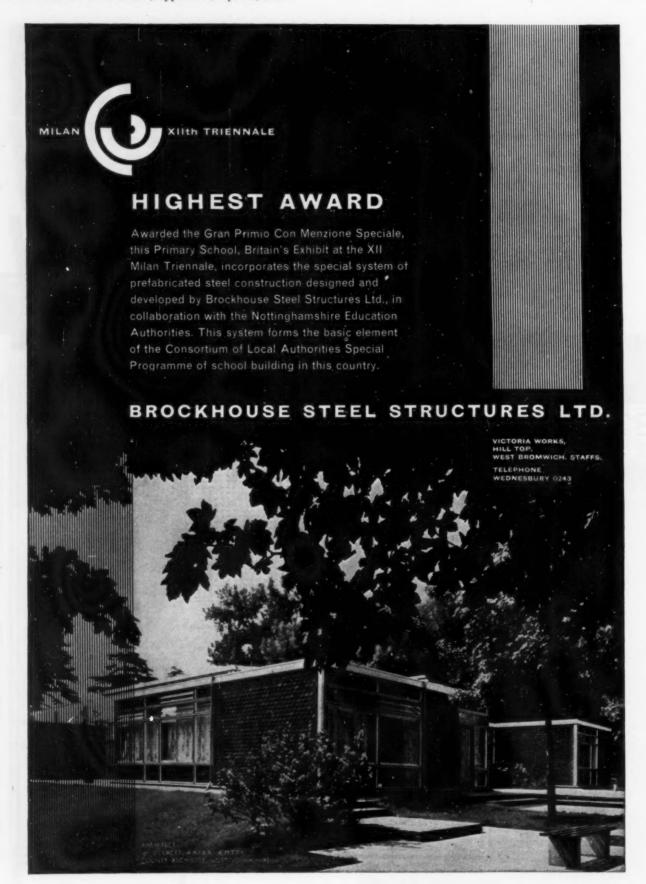


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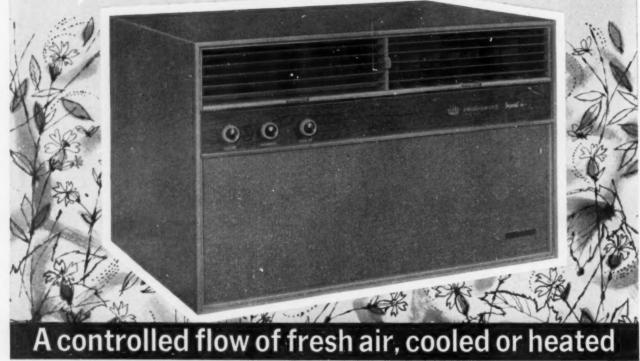
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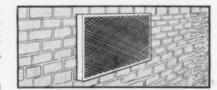
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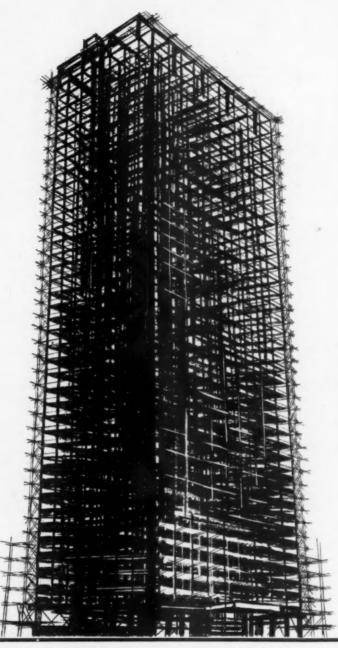


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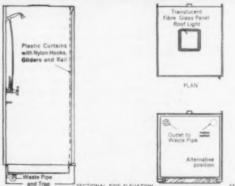


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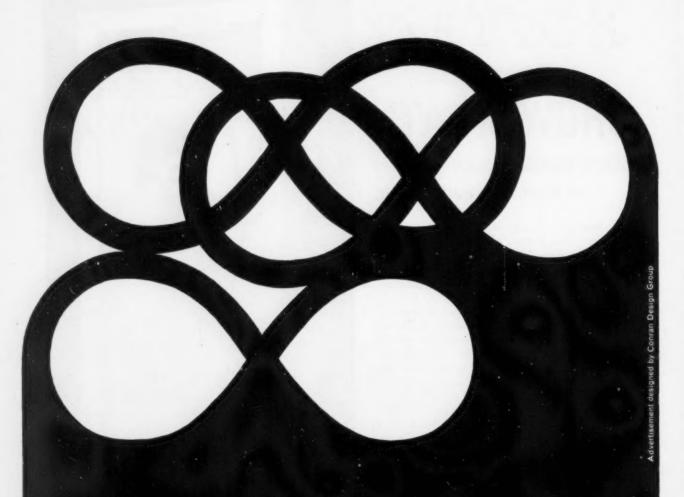
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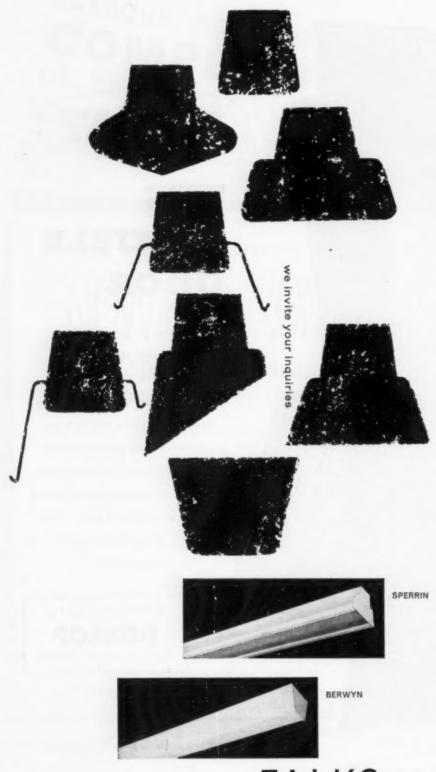
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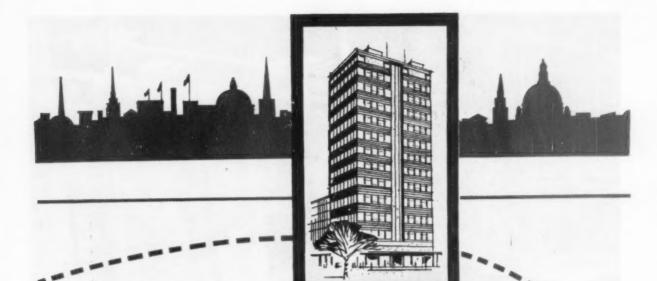
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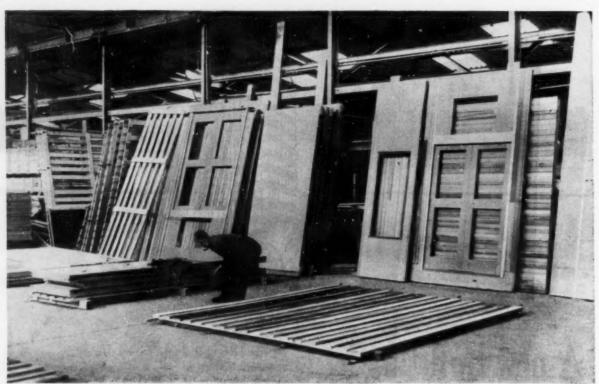


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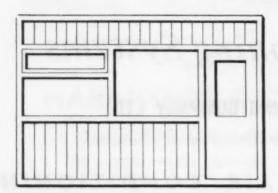


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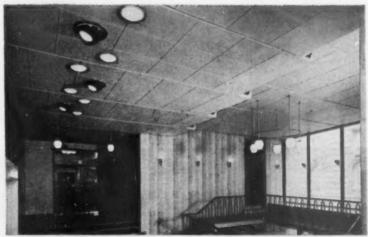
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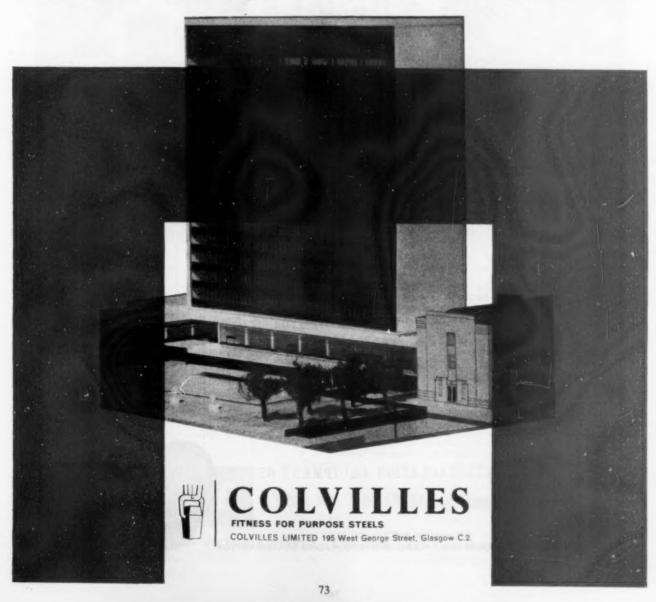
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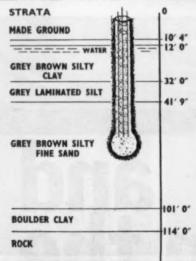


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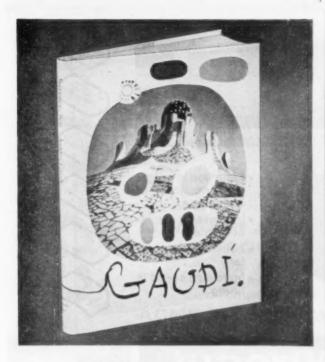
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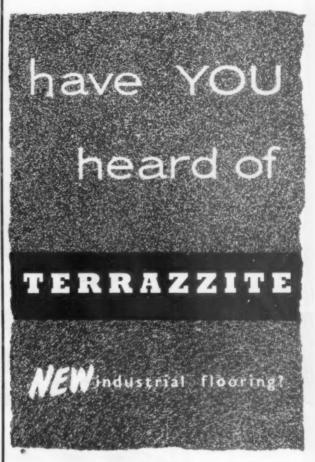
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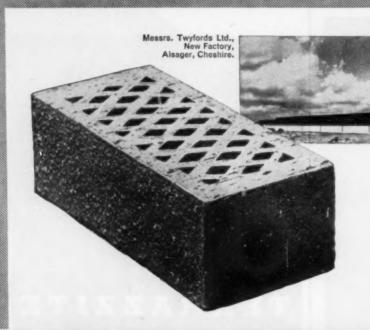


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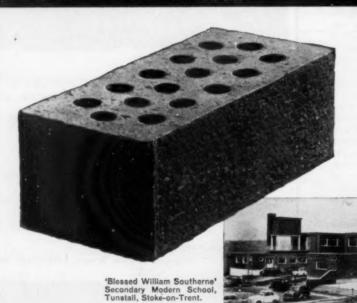
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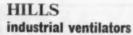


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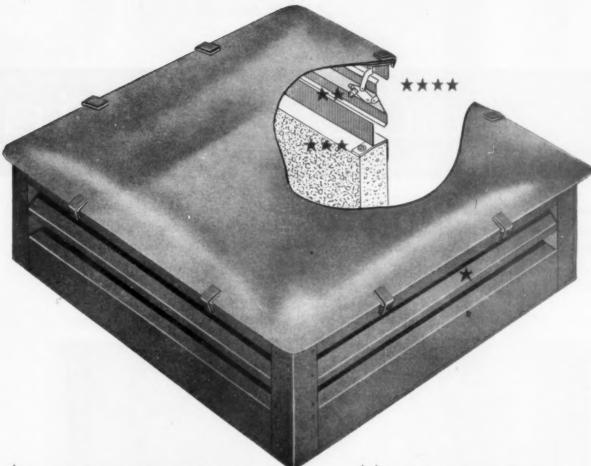
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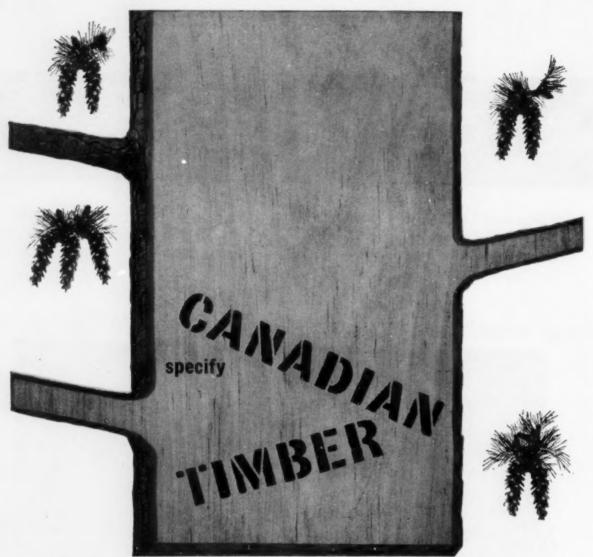
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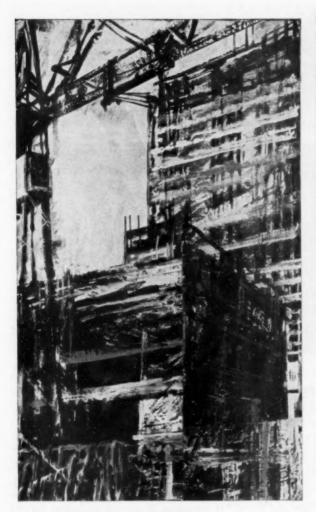


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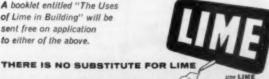
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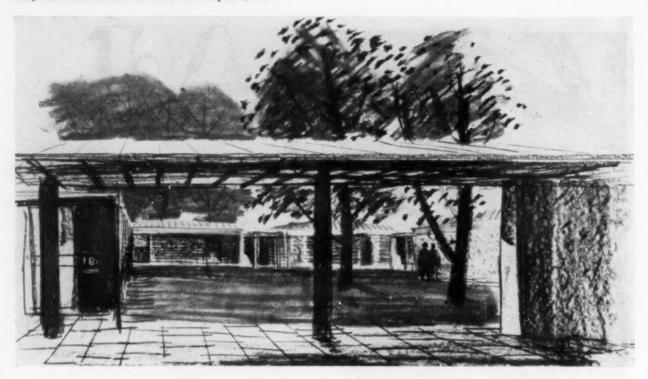
NOT QUITE ARCHITECTURE

Title-Styling Kit for Lecture Secretaries

Attention is drawn to an important breakthrough in methods of titling both individual lectures and complete series, achieved by a team at Columbia University, New York (USA), under Charles R. Colbert, Dean of the School of Architecture.

Hitherto, lecture-titles have been directly informative, e.g., Satanic Themes in the earlier Novels of Jane Austen, or deliberately confusing, e.g., Look Back in Bangor. Both are tradition-bound forms deriving from the period before the rise of the Modern Movement in lecturing. Pioneer work was done at the Institute of Contemporary Arts from time to time, where lectures have been called "seminars"-a useful innovation-and a type of title has been evolved which might be described as an anti-title, since it is really the lecture, e.g., Image of Tomorrow: "On a Planet with You." Tomorrow as Sociology, Science Fiction from Moon Dome 1 to Okie Cities. with notes on Galactic Gothic, Venus as Walden, psycho-history and the exploding metropolis, the Boiler House in Higheliff Drive, automation for consumer design, urban infra-structure, Neo-Platonism, the hard-edge syndrome and the anticipated creation of a leisure culture.

However, the frivolity of this approach will not recommend itself to serious lecturesecretaries, who will recall that this is an age of functionalism, and that the sole function of a lecture-title is to pack in paying customers. Here, the triumph of Dean Colbert's team appears to be complete, and the functionalism of their methods will be immediately apparent on studying the titling

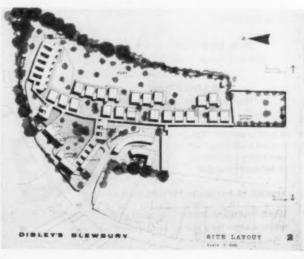


Old People's Housing in a Berkshire Village

This project for a compact group of single-storey houses, largely for old people, in the $5\frac{1}{2}$ -acre grounds of a fine old house at Blewbury, is designed by Tom Hancock for Townmaker Ltd., and has just been approved by the Minister of Housing after an appeal against refusal of planning permission by Wantage RDC, which called it "institutional... having communal facilities and an unconventional design and layout." HM Inspector Harry Steward found "the planning authority's case contains misconception and

prejudice "and described the scheme as "timely, imaginative and lively." It comprises 26 one-storey houses for old people, 11 small family houses, a small guest block, and group of 34 garages: the old house, Dibley's, will provide communal facilities, including a dining room and launderette. A non-profit making Housing Association is to build the scheme. Above, perspective sketch of some of the old people's houses with linking covered way. Below, the proposed site layout, which is to be slightly modified.





of the architectural "talkathon" currently proceeding at Columbia. The overall title is THE FOUR GREAT MAKERS and the next phase in architecture: a programme in celebration of the great founders of contemporary architecture, a call for critical re-examination of the central issues facing us today, a plea for a new formulation of principles and perspectives of the future. The programme is then divided into eight

"Cycles" (a word which marks an obvious advance on "seminar") of lectures, whose

individual titles cannot fail to excite admira-

tion. Space does not permit more than a sample to be given here, but from these the compositional method will at once become clear (it is hoped to publish some of the more striking working details before next season begins). From Cycle One, we select Avant-Gardes True and False: Cul-de-Sac or Open end? Henry-Russell Hitchcock. Smith College. From Cycle Three Mies' Platonic Palaces: Habitat for American Cosmopolites (speaker to be announced). From Cycle Four The Cityshape after Mies: Cartesian or Humane? Professor Reginald Malcomsen, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, Cycle Five Mies' Elegance: Feasible Formula for the Future? Howard Dearstyne. Architect, Chicago; Cycle Six Modern Architecture, Modern Art and the Doctrine of Less is More (speaker to be announced) and from Cycle Seven The Pluperfect Surface and the God-given Joint Peter Blake, Architect and Associate Editor, Architectural Forum. Each Cycle also contains a convocation in honour of one of the Makers e.g., Le Corbusier, Mies van der Rohe. Gropius and Frank Lloyd Wright (absent) held in such places as the Ferris Booth Auditorium and the Low Rotunda, and the series finishes with a dinner in honour of all four (three) of them with a discourse. The Architect and the Intellectual Aspirations of his Day Dr. Jacques Barzun, Dean of Faculties and Provost, Columbia University. Armed with this admirable exemplar, and with a supply of colons and question marks, lecture-secretaries should be able to effect an immediate improvement in their work in this field. Some suggested adaptations to British Usage are given below. THE FIVE PROGENITORS a matrix of

briefings to honour the founders of Modern British Architecture: E. Maxwell Fry, Jane Drew, F. R. S. Yorke, Frederick Gibberd and Wells Coates, a call for critical reexamination of the Central School, a plea for a new formulation of Principals in Bedford Square.

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The Editors

ARCHITECTURE TEACHERS' LINK AST December 1 we published a letter from G. P. W. Taylor proposing that some kind of professional link should be established between the teachers of architecture, by way of an architectural teachers' journal devoted to exchange information about the "stuff" of teaching, to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and to report on teaching courses and conferences so that the valuable ideas being preached or practised at present in isolated places could more quickly be communicated throughout the architectural schools and their staffs. We published a supporting editorial in the same issue, and offered, until such a specialised journal could be established, to find means of publishing a monthly Educational Supplement to the AJ.

As a result of these exchanges, Mr. Taylor got in touch with teachers in other schools of architecture and a very lively meeting took place last month in London, at which most types of schools were represented and ready support was

evident for the idea of a monthly supplement.

It was apparent from the tenor of the meeting that here was a group of people vitally concerned to develop architectural education in the most effective and practical ways, and that the opportunity of forming a system of communication between

teachers was welcomed as long overdue.

When one thinks of the alacrity with which people with a common interest in such things as model railways or embroidery get together and form associations to further their knowledge, skill and enjoyment, it seems astonishing that teachers of architecture, performing work of critical importance and responsibility, have not already such a link between themselves. A recent issue of the Journal of Architectural Education of the American schools, by the President of the Association of those schools, dealt with the problems of overorganisation in that body. It would be difficult to conceive of a greater contrast with the situation here.

It is now up to the AJ, in co-operation with the architectural teachers' panel set up through Mr. Taylor's initiative to work out the details of the Educational Supplement and to begin publication with minimal delay. Letters have already been sent out to all the schools of architecture inviting their co-operation, but the panel would be pleased to hear from any individual willing to contribute material of value.

One thing should perhaps be made clear from the start: the editorial panel set up at last month's meeting does not start from any agreed policy for architectural education, and certainly the Journal has no wish to "plug a line" for any particular educational policy. What members of the panel do share is an attitude of mind which seeks to relate architectural education to the myriad developments implicit in a society of the latter half of the 20th century: what the JOURNAL can offer is a place for discussion, a link, by means of which those who care most about making architectural education more effective, can exchange ideas and criticisms.



SKIDMORE OR LESS

Whether you like it or not, and ASTRAGAL does/doesn't (please delete word that annoys you least) the Yamasaki style of architecture-i.e., structure used as decoration-is on the way IN in this country. For a first (and I didn't say the first) glimpse of it turn to page 519 and gape at the enlightenment of Birds Eye Food Ltd., who have not only decentralised themselves to Walton-on-Thames (handy for airports and for commuting in reverse), but have also acquired a handsome, well-landscaped office headquarters. The landscaping is by Philip Hicks (who did Sandersons' patio) and the architecting by Sir John Burnet, Tait and Partners. Gordon Tait has been quoted as saying his building has a "slick American sophistication and a refinement of style." It's the word "slick" that is most significant. Now that Birds Eye are having this Transatlantic Look, everyone will be wanting it-just as everyone has been clamouring for it in Detroit.

I know it is fashionable to sneer about Reinforced Venetian Gothic; but don't forget that the sneers are also imported from the USA where critics have had time to grow tired of structural ornament. Don't let us get blasé about something we've hardly got off the ground in this country yet. Heaven

knows, there can't be many clients who have even agreed to use air conditioning over here. (Just go to that slab of high Paddington on a warmish spring day and watch the effect of an east wind and a west sunset. I wouldn't be surprised if some Mums take their daughters away from the place because of the things that pressure differentials do to their skirts.) But once air conditioning is IN, then we'll be well away—as Mr. Tait is also quoted as saying-with more interesting interior planning and some freeer (well, how do you spell it?) façades.

Any day now air conditioning will be something the developer has to offer after knocking down a block of "obsolescent" offices. In fact, Gordon Tait himself has just completed a scheme in Victoria for a speculative client who asked for this oldish-fangled device for keeping out dirt, draughts and noise. And he tells me he knows of one rented block of offices where staff is constantly moving from firms in the unconditioned section to those in the air-conditioned part of the building. So.

MORE BUILDING NATTERS

Charles Crighton closed the last programme in the present series of " Building Matters" (BBC Network Three) by telling us he knew it was heard by people not in the industry. That presumably is why he ended with the moral tale about a Clerk of Works with a touchingly beautiful outlook on life who said something or other upon which, if I got Mr. Crichton accurately, none of us in the industry could improve. What it was I cannot now remember. But I can remember thinking that this summing up of the series, by Messrs. Goulden (Contran), Mills (Edward) and Pearce (Ken), would shake the layman's faith in trusting anyone to give him a building. I quote here at random - with the most exquisitely out-of-context cunning: -

" Some architects are so busy organising their offices that they forget the architecture."

"Builders too often arrive on a site and just feel their way through a job instead of planning it."

"Beautiful architectural drawings are used for standing the tea on in foremen's offices."

- "Clients usually want their jobs done far too soon."
- "The building team is like a football team: it never knows what goal it has in view."
- " If you get a badly-organised builder you often get good craftsmanship."

And so on. We heard about the architect as team leader and the possibility of his doing a better job after better education (joint training, sandwich courses, etc.). We heard about the difficulties of getting information in standardised form (Mr. Mills wanted his on post cards, just to be difficult). We heard the theory that working drawings were too complex. We heard it all. And as with so many discussion programmes, no one really said anything. I have always preferred the one-man talk-however wrong and however arrogant: at least there is a chance for one man to say something well-reasoned. When and if "Building Matters" returns, could we have a few long pieces instead of so many minds rubbing damply against each other?

TRAFFIC JAMMING

A "traffic-jam" demonstration to draw public attention to the lack of a proper road plan for London is soon to be staged in Finchley Road by the New Hampstead Society. In a new indictment of the LCC's plan to widen Finchley Road into a six-line highway from Swiss Cottage to Hendon Way, the Society say it will be bad for motorists, pedestrians, shoppers, residents, shops, businesses and for the whole of the borough. The higway wil be of substandard width-only 10-ft. lanesdangerous and noisy, and Finchley Road will be turned into " a waste of concrete, tarmac and petrol fumes."

TRADE LITERATURE

There are several fascinating architectural competitions open at the present time but one non-architectural competition could have, indirectly, a greater influence on the profession and the industry than any. The reference, of course, is to the Barbour Index competition for the design of technical literature (closing date, April 28). ASTRAGAL recklessly offers a modest prize himself to anyone who can show conclusively a winner that improves upon the AJ Information Sheets, but will gladly pay up if he is proved wrong because advance in this field is

badly needed. This competition is a welcome means of focusing attention on the problem, and should show results in subsequent RIBA/BC trade competitions-provided, that is, that the profession is on its mettle.

CAPITAL PROGRESS

Furious (but cosy) arguments on planning and architecture were once confined largely to the inhabitants of the home counties, but the habit is catching and spreading. Belfast, so long asleep after a brief flutter of wakefulness in '51, is due shortly to have an exhibition on urban renewal organized by local architects. This follows some lively correspondence in the Belfast Telegraph on a local traffic problem (a new Lagan bridge) and a reported refusal of the Belfast Corporation Improvement Committee to meet representatives of the Royal Society of Ulster Architects ("only ordinary architects" said an Alderman) who wanted to hear what plans were being made for the future development of the city. Presumably that innocent question was precisely the cause of the trouble-plans? What plans? Well, perhaps Robert Matthews' report will answer everything.

In another capital, Cardiff, more people can't leave well alone. The Welsh School of Architecture in the best revolutionary tradition (staff, this time) have organised a series of talks on city centres to a rapidly growing audience. Ginsburg, Buchanan, Percy Johnson-Marshall, Smigielski and Ling have reviewed the problem and on April 18 Edward Roberts the city surveyor is going to show how Cardiff is to answer it. Another local newspaper, the Western Mail, has realised the importance of planning news and has given plenty of publicity to the lectures, which is perhaps just as well, because local councillors have not always attended, although the Mayor, Dorothy Lewis, was quick to repudiate Ginsburg's charge that Cardiff was simply a mess! "... I shall continue to regard (it) as 'the city beautiful'" was her telling rejoinder.

FORCE DE TOURISTS

And for further evidence of the distance the preservationist-planners' protective arm is reaching, read the April issue of the Architectural Review where I. de Wolfe describes and illus-



Robert Maguire's attempts to give liturgical planning a convincing architectural form got a stormy reception, but his views on top lighting and glazed lanterns have prevailed. The Church of the Holy Rood, Folly Bridge, Oxford, above, is the first of the Sons of St. Paul's, Bow Common in that respect, if in no other.

trates (splendidly) the remote and beautiful Italian lake Bolsena which the locals want to encircle with a road attract the prosperity-bringing tourist; and thereby destroy the lake's attraction. Fortunately I. de Wolfe proposes a way of reconciling the different needs, but whether in time to prevent disaster we have vet to see. It is a far cry from the Solent to Bolsena and from tourists to turbines, but the principles and the lessons are the same.

TEACUP IN STORM

A rare note of stern resolution was struck last week by the President of the London Master Builders' Association, R. F. Mansell, when he appealed to his members " to set an example of that loyalty to each other, to the industry and to your trade association" by standing firm on the matter of paid tea breaks for building workers in October, when the new wage rates come in.

"In October, 1961," he said, "we employers shall have presented to us a chance the like of which we have not had for 30 years, to take control of our industry, to exert leadership, to indicate to our operatives that while we work happily with them ours is the responsibility, the risk and the duty of running our own businesses." The temptation to offer paid tea breaks especially to skilled craftsmen, Mr. Mansell admitted, would be great: "I can only say to you that if you now want to once again be masters in your own house, you must not fall prey to the temptations that beset you."

Why, do you suppose, a master in his own house shouldn't offer a cup of tea, or anything else, to the serfs and artisans doing his bidding. Anyhow, as I have tea breaks, Mr. Mansell (I expect) has tea breaks, and everybody in the AJ office has tea breaks, I don't quite get the backs-to-the-wall spirit of this campaign. Surely even Dr. Beeching will get tea breaks when he goes to the British Transport Commission: after all, it's a sacred British custom.

ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT

The discussion meeting last week at the RIBA on Development Groups was hampered by its setting-the Henry Jarvis Hall. Because of the size of the audience the hall had to be used, but the way in which speakers and others were set out, like so many birds on a perch, was unlikely to produce a free-for-all among them. The room could do with a face-lift. But couldn't there be some new, flexible arrangement for this type of meeting to discuss an internal matter within the profession?

One of the barriers to making such alterations is, it seems, that despite all the other reforms and improvements made to the administration of the Institute, there is still no way it can talk coherently, sensibly, and with one voice to any architect it commissions for alterations and improvements. Action please, somebody.

ASTRAGAL

LETTERS

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The New Piccadilly

SIR: I was most interested to read Mr. Blachnicki's comments on the new Piccadilly, published in The Architects' Journal on March 9 and I share with him the belief that ideally pedestrian and vehicular traffic must be totally segregated; but I am afraid I part company with him over the way he thinks it ought to be done in the new Piccadilly Circus, as indicated on his diagrammatic sketch.

It may well be that the new Piccadilly will provide a test case for the comprehensive redevelopment of prosperous, central urban sites, but the very conditions applying to this particular area make it most unlikely that it can provide a text-book solution to the total segregation of pedestrian and

vehicle as well.

The new Piccadilly has to combine the historical street (e.g. Waterloo Place/Lower Regent Street) and the prosperous ground level shopping street (e.g. Regent Street) with the future higher level redevelopment of Soho. In other words, it will provide the "door step" up into a higher redeveloped Soho where pedestrian and vehicle are segregated, from an area where, at present, they are not. With pedestrians needing to be at all three levels (the underground concourse, the ground level and the upper level) any complete form of segregation is at the present time impossible, and some form of compromise inevitable.

Given this compromise, I can think of few more unpleasant ways of tackling it than that shown by Mr. Blachnicki. To run 55 ft. wide major roads over what is in effect a "bear pit," with the vehicles dominating the whole pedestrian scene is alarming. Apart from the overpowering scale of engineering design such roadways would require, and the cavernous gloom it would create below them, the noise, dirt and accumulation of diesel fumes would be such as to render the lower level virtually uninhabitable. In Mr. Blachnicki's own words "the pedestrian deserves a better fate."

WILLIAM HOLFORD

High Flats

SIR: With reference to the Cost Comment on the High Flats at New Southgate (AJ, 23.3.61), it is quite true that the cost of electrical services in a tall block of flats will be much higher than in, for instance, individual houses or relatively small blocks of flats not more than two or three storeys high.

There are two basic reasons for this and neither can be controlled in any way by those responsible for the design of the building and its services.

In the first place, the Electricity Boards bring the main supply to a housing estate at their own expense, and charge only the small cost of the service cable from the main into each dwelling. Even this charge is sometimes omitted when there is provision for electric cooking and water heating. On the other hand, in a block of flats the cost of rising mains up the building is part of the building budget, and the cost increases steeply with the height of the building.

Secondly, it is customary to carry out the electrical installation in low cost housing in some relatively cheap material such as t.r.s. or P.V.C. insulated and sheathed cables. It is not possible to use these types of cable in flats by the very nature of their construction, and the necessity for being able to repair a fault in one flat without disturbing other tenants. More expensive systems such as conduit or m.i.c.c. cables have to be used instead.

For the reasons explained above, the cost of the electrical installation in a point block often appears to be unduly high and efforts are made to reduce the cost by the only method a non-engineer can understand—that is, to reduce the facilities provided by omitting socket outlets and airing cupboard heaters, etc. In view of the report on the need for socket outlets in low cost dwellings published last year (AJ, 2.6.60), I question whether this is altogether wise. So far as I remember, you did as well.

PETER JAY

London, W.1

Running a Job

SIR: It is unnecessary for us to say how welcome the new series on "Running a Job" in the JOURNAL will be, and its presentation in successive issues, rather than a single one, will probably make it more easily read and digested. Before even reading it, however, we were struck by the rather strange layout and we are not speaking aesthetically, but functionally.

First of all it is understood that the AJ is oversize A4 to allow for trimming at the binding edge, and that it is designed for filing (which in practice means securing the sheets at the bending edge by clip or

The binding margins left on pages 444 and 446 are quite inadequate for any form of filing and we would be pleased if you could arrange for these to be increased in future issues to avoid what we hope will be a most helpful handbook becoming a source of continuous frustration in use.

As you will be aware, the files in most common use secure the sheets firmly at one side and do not open flat, the curve of the papers forming an additional obstruction to vision at the margin. This is a further important reason why all your binding margins should be increased.

RUSSELL DIPLOCK ASSOCIATES London, S.W.1

The Editors reply: We propose to take up this helpful suggestion.

Architecture on TV

SIR: If Reyner Banham cannot really persuade me that his profession alone is literate, neither can Malcolm MacEwen convince me that the TV authorities are the only ones afraid to spend money on the publicity of architecture.

I may not have appeared effective in any of my half-dozen appearances but when Associated Rediffusion was interested in a programme on my International Traffic Segregation Exhibition there seemed no money at the RIBA to ensure that some plans and some of the photos would be of the "highest quality," if it accepted the offer of a free loan of the material; I live in hope.

PAUL RITTER

Nottingham

Better Literature

SIR: In the course of making appreciative noises about the new RIBA typography, Astragal mentioned that credit for this was due to the Public Relations Department which he follows with an explanatory bracket containing the names of Bill Howell and Herbert Spencer. All the credit for the design work is indeed Herbert Spencer's, in his role as consultant typographer to the Institute—he is not, of course, on the staff of the Public Relations Department.

As far as I am concerned I am merely the chairman of the Committee which makes decisions about these matters and causes the already overworked Public Relations Department a lot of extra work. All the detailed work has been done by the Typographical Sub-Committee under John Broome, with Jill Thompson of the Public Relations Department as secretary. It is she who has co-ordinated this very complicated operation, and she arranged and mounted the exhibition now on show in the RIBA.

W. G. HOWELL

London, W.1

Lincoln Inquiry

SIR: On behalf of the Lincoln Branch I should like to thank you for your report on our activities on March 9. However, there is one inaccuracy which I should be glad if you would correct. Although planning is carried out entirely by the City Engineer, who is also planning officer, the City has had a separate architectural department and its own chief officer for some years.

The City Architect informs me that Mr. P. F. Burridge, F.R.I.B.A., was appointed Housing Architect in 1947. Due to his excellent work, he was appointed City Architect in 1950 and held this office until his departure for Southend-on-Sea in 1951. The present holder of the post is Mr. R. R. Alexander, Dip.Arch. (Abdn.), F.R.I.B.A., M.T.P.I., who has been City Architect since that date.

EDWARD CRAVEN

Lincoln

NEWS

CONSERVATIVES CONFER

Higher Density & Balanced Development

It was both comic and encouraging to attend the annual meeting of the Conservative Central Council at Church House, Westminster on March 24, and to find the delegates devoting themselves to a discussion of planning problems which could have taken place at a Fabian Summer School. We are all planners now, it seems—and high time, too.

A Conservative research paper entitled "Thick on the Ground," describing the need for higher density housing, to be achieved by more two and three storey maisonettes, more infilling and readier acceptance of tall buildings was the basis of the discussion, introduced by Henry Brooke.

The Minister of Housing pointed out that even today only one-tenth of England and Wales is built over, and that open land is being acquired for development at the rate of 30,000 acres a year, compared with the surprising figure of over 50,000 acres in the periods 1934-5 and 1938-9. This, he concluded, was evidence of improved planning effectiveness since no one would deny that building is now taking place at a higher rate. Subsequent speakers did not quite share his enthusiasm for the effectiveness of planning today, David Mitchell, of St. Paneras Conservative Association, for instance drew attention to the imbalance of development in the centres of our cities, and echoed the Bow Group pamphlet, "Let Our Cities Live" when he condemned the speculative office blocks going up in central London. which increases its capacity for clerical workers by 15,000 places annually.

The increasing discomforts of commuting were raised—it was claimed that the number of passengers on commuter trains, despite the fact that there are more trains, has reached a point dangerous to older people—and it was suggested that this discomfort, plus the high fares and the cost of mortgages in the suburbs might well make many people willing to move back to live in city centres, even at quite high rents. What is lacking is central accommodation for them.

A speaker from Woking described this as "England's classic problem town." A decision by the local council to permit intensive development there within a half-mile radius of the railway station had caused land values to rise by 500 per cent, he said. The result would be high profit for the fortunate landowners and high cost for the ratepayers. Yet the Council was unable to make such policy decisions secretly and reluctant to use compulsory purchase orders. (At this point a Fabian meeting would probably have talked about Comp and Bet.)

The Minister summed up by saying the power of London borough councils over density regulations was under review by a committee and its findings were not yet available for him to comment on, and he warned that the desirability of high density must not be allowed to outweigh the need for privacy, since the latter was vital to personality. On the growth of new office space in the centre of London, he said he had written to 200 large scale employers of office workers urging them to decentralise. But the key problem in redeveloping cities lay in the suburbs, which had been built in the last fifty years at very low densities and could not yet be torn down again. He invited alternative solutions to the problem of increasing their capacity to house people.

RIBA

The Purpose and Organisation of Development Groups

The large numbers present at this discussion, and the wide variety of interests represented-County and Borough architects, administrators, a senior Treasury official and at least one MP-attested to the strong backing the idea of development groups now commands. The main anxiety expressed was whether development lay within the scope of the smaller authorities. Elizabeth Layton, whose "Building by Local Authorities" has just been published, thought not: for full-scale development, the size of staff required was more than they could afford. But Henry Swain, backed by several speakers, maintained that no authority with a programme of £1m. or more, could afford to neglect it. Only 1 per cent of every million invested would pay for development work by one man at £2,000 a year and two at £1,500, plus overheads, and this outlay. Swain believed, would be recouped many times in better value for money over a period of years. Nor did he think that development should be confined solely to public authorities-large private spenders like I.C.I. or Marks & Spencers should see as much profit in this kind of development as a firm like Jaguar saw in its engineering development.

Guy Oddie emphasised the duty of development groups to see ahead, not only in technique, but equally in user requirements. It was important to associate a forward-looking user representative as well as the administrator-patron with the team. David Medd underlined this point by coining the phrase "The Thinker-User" to distinguish the kind of person that was needed to bring imagination and discernment to foreseeing trends. He saw the development team as essentially administrator/thinker-user/architect and Q.S./plus builder-manufacturer. He said every barrier between design and production must be broken down.

Stirrat Johnson-Marshall described competitive tendering as the "sacred cow which got between the architect and the people who make things," and while not rejecting such competition out of hand, pleaded with authority to lend its support to "more adult ways of ensuring that public money was properly spent."

Another barrier, said Medd, was the con-

sultant, and where architects needed other skills to supplement their own they should not seek them from "the man down the street" but go straight to industry itself. Roger Walters's introductory paper alarmed many by the assertion that a development project should take twice the time of an ordinary one. Anthony Port, Chief Architect of the MOE, admitted that a job done properly took longer than a skimped one. but said that development jobs must be tied to a strict timetable and not allowed to run on for ever in search of a perfection they would never attain. Donald Gibson thought that development of some kind should go on in every office, large or small, if it was to offer a worth-while service.

A county architect said he was a member of CLASP and proud though he was, etc., etc., wondered sometimes if CLASP building was "really architecture." Sir William Holford—who held the discussion together with his usual intelligence and aplomb—dropped the guillotine without waiting for an answer to such a silly question.

BC

Materials and Finishes in Modern Hospital Building

On March 9 Lord Cunlifle opened an Exhibition at the Building Centre with the above title. Though nominally devoted to Materials and Finishes, the Exhibition is, in fact, mainly concerned with hospital equipment. There are three mock-up rooms: part of an acute ward (complete with Llewelyn Davies type lighting), a consulting and examination room and a nurse's bed-sitter and, in addition, there are sequences of better-looking-than-average examples of equipment: bedpan washers, surgeons' scrub-up basins and the like. It is a small, well managed Exhibition and worth a visit before it closes this Saturday.

ILA

Education of the Landscape Architect

A Report on the recruitment, training and employment of landscape architects, based on extensive inquiries last year, has just been published by the ILA (price 3s. post free). The inquiry revealed that although landscape work is not highly remunerative, 4 per cent of those who replied to a questionnaire earned £750 to £2,250 a year, 26 per cent came from members with their own practice, local planning authorities employed 30 per cent, and other authorities, such as New Towns, 24 per cent. Clearly public employment has assumed considerable importance for the landscape architect, and this trend is increasing.

Courses in Landscape Architecture are projected at Birmingham, Cheltenham, Dundee, and Edinburgh, mostly as an extension of existing architecture courses.

MOHLG

Population Density 1951

A population density map for 1951 is the latest addition to the series of 1/625,000 (10 miles to the inch) maps published by the MOHLG and although the data on which this map is based are now 10 years old, its publication is important to planners and those concerned with land use since it provides the only general picture available of post-war population distribution. The only other general population density map in this series relates to conditions as they were 30 years ago. So far only one of the two sheets has been published, but this one sheet covers almost the whole of England and Wales and includes all the standard conurbations with the exception of Tyneside.

The map itself shows density of population over the country as a whole in seven classes. These are measured in terms of numbers of persons per unit area—either acres or square miles. The classes chosen are as follows:—

Dense urban Urban	sq. mile over 25,000 6,400-25,000	per acre over 39 10-39
Suburban and indus- trial rural Dense rural Sparse rural Very sparse rural Virtually uninhabited	400-6,400 50-400 25-50 1-25 0-1	0·625-10 0·08-0·625 0·04-0·08 0·002-0·04 0-0·002

While it is possible to criticise the classes chosen on the grounds that the range within some of them is too wide, these grades at least have the merit of being very nearly the same as those chosen for the Ministry's earlier population density map. This earlier map was based on the 1931 census so direct inter-censal comparisons can be made with the two maps.

In the 1951 map the main urban areas stand out very clearly since the grades of colour chosen produce a sharp distinction between those areas with a density of 400 persons per square mile or more and the rest of the country. The general pattern that emerges is illustrated in diagrammatic form in Fig. 1. This sketch shows the very great dominance of the conurbations and emphasises the position of Greater London as the largest single concentration. It also brings out the shape and disposition of the very heavy concentrations clustered in the relatively small area around the central and southern Pennines. This includes four out of the five provincial conurbations. It shows too that Merseyside and the southeast Lancashire conurbations are now developing almost into one unit and that the West Yorkshire conurbation is only divided off from them by a small strip of uninhabited moorland. The West Midlands conurbation still remains a relatively separate entity. After glancing at this map it is easy to appreciate that in 1951 Greater London and the five other conurbations contained nearly 38 per cent of the total population of England and Wales and that this was concentrated into less than 4 per

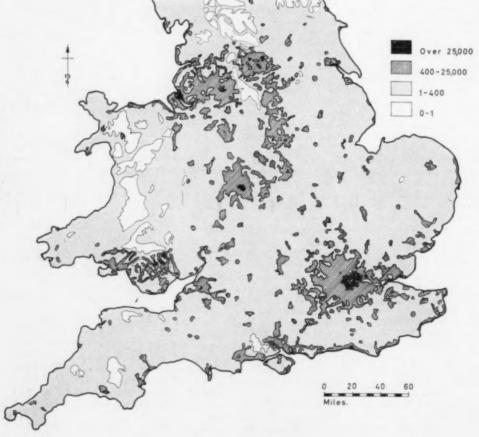
cent of the total area of the country. Only Tyneside—the smallest of the standard conurbations—is omitted from this diagram.

Apart from the conurbations, four other areas stand out as significant. The long line of industrial towns in the East Midlands from Barnsley through Sheffield, Nottingham and Leicester to Coventry. This group forms the largest concentration outside the conurbations themselves, and the densely populated valleys of industrial South Wales. Smaller in size, but growing in importance, are the Bath/Bristol area and the ribbon of development along the south coast from Hastings through Brighton, Portsmouth and Southampton to Bournemouth. These may well form the nuclei for future concentrations, perhaps of a new and different kind, outside, but closely related to the Metropolitan area.

Outside these major and minor concentrations areas of really high population density appear as small and scattered patches within a wide "rural" zone. This is deceptive, however, for by far the greater proportion of this rural area is quite highly populated. It falls in the "Dense Rural" class with densities of between 50 and 400 persons per square mile.

To the planner one of the most interesting features about this map is that it makes it possible to get some idea of the changes that have taken place in the general distribution of population during the period 1931-51 by comparing this map with the

Fig. 1. Population Density in England and Wales, 1951. This diagram, based on the MOHLG population density map, shows the main concentrations of population where the density is 400 persons or more per square mile, and the major cities where the density is over 25,000 persons per square mile. Land almost uninhabited is left white



earlier sheets based on the 1931 census. Figs. 2 and 3 attempt to illustrate this point for two very different areas by showing the extent of the zone calculated to contain population at a density of over 400 persons per square mile at the beginning and end of this period. Such maps can only give a general impression of change, but they suggest that even in the conurbation areas the extension of the high density population zone was taking place relatively slowly, and that no basic changes in the national population distribution pattern had yet taken place. It is important not to assume too much from this. A population density map with very wide class ranges is not a sensitive measure of change; moreover the picture we see is already 10 years old. A great deal of development has taken place since 1951 and there have been revolutionary changes in mobility. The data from this year's census will enable whatever trend there is to be read much more clearly.

It is unfortunate that the basic data required for such a map (parish and ward populations) only become available once every 10 years and that the actual preparation of the map itself is so laborious and takes so much time. A great deal of detailed work with large-scale maps and plans is necessary before an accurate assessment can be formed of the general pattern. This means that a published map is always several years out of date.

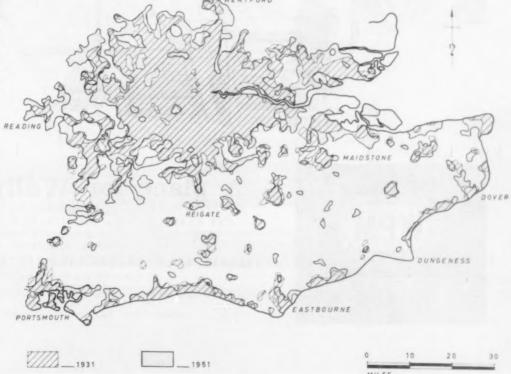
Maps of this kind are more than an academic exercise in urban geography. We need to know as accurately as we can how the population of Great Britain is distributed over the country as a whole and what general changes are in fact taking

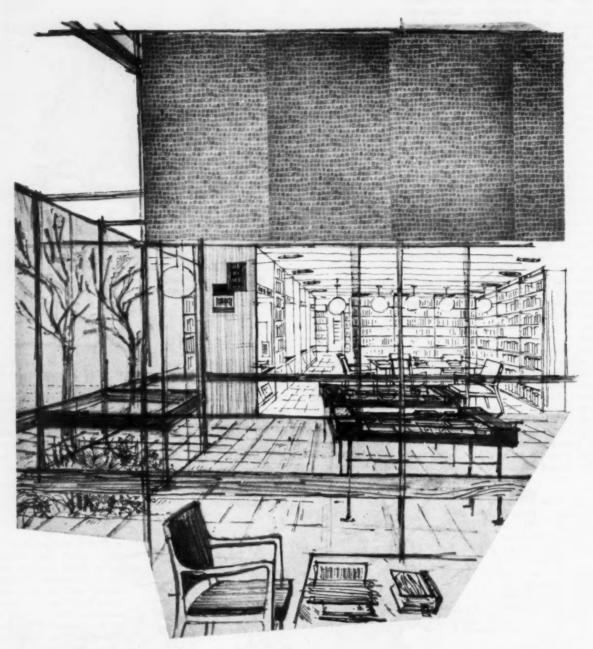
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place in this distribution. Only then can we tell what sort of effects-if any-planning policy is having. The evidence available so far suggests that the change has been slight-at least up to 1951. A new census is to be taken this year. It is to be hoped that the Ministry will produce an equivalent map for 1961 as soon as possible. We may then see what have been the overall effects of a decade of planning controls.

Fig. 2. Areas of High Population Density. 1931 and 1951 in the North-West. This sketch shows the changes that have taken place in the areas with a population density of over 400 persons per square mile. The ruled area shows the extent of the high density area in 1931, the dotted area marks its position in 1951. There has been some expansion and contraction, but the main outline remains much the same, above

Fig. 3. Areas of High Population Density. 1931 and 1951, in London and the South Coast. This gives some indication of the change in the high density area in the Greater London region up to 1951





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School Extension

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In the current schools programme more attention is now being paid to the improvement and extension of existing buildings. This is in many ways a model example, not least that it has been fitted so happily into the pattern of the existing school and its surroundings, despite a rather awkward site.

In providing an extension to the John Howard Grammar School for Girls at Hackney, the architects have preferred to design the six additional classrooms in a block quite separate from the existing school. The building is an almost square two-storey block of blue glazed brick, with strip windows over rendered panels. This contrasts sharply with the existing school, which is a long three-storey building of weathered brick and pitched roof. Yet going from one building to the other is in no way a jarring experience. In spite of the obvious differences in construction and materials, the light and pleasant interior of the old building is not entirely alien to the current concept of a school, while the extension achieves a scale in keeping with the old, and ties in well on a rather small site. The new block is sited sufficiently far from the main building to allow there to be a generous planting area and an outside teaching space between the two.

Since the extension is a separate unit, it has been possible



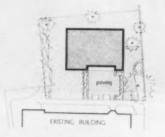
Cloakroom bays open off the ground floor circulation

The block has been built as a separate unit from the existing building behind





A balcony outside the study rooms on the first floor overlooks the outside teaching area, above

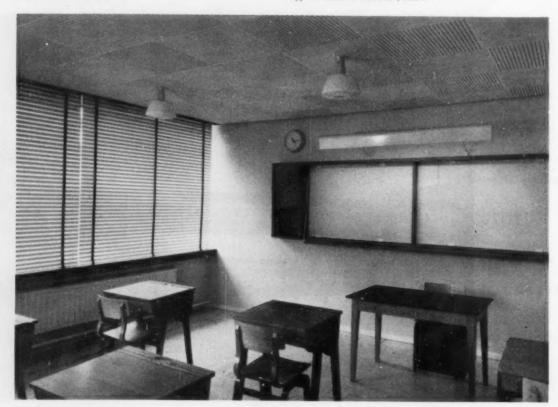


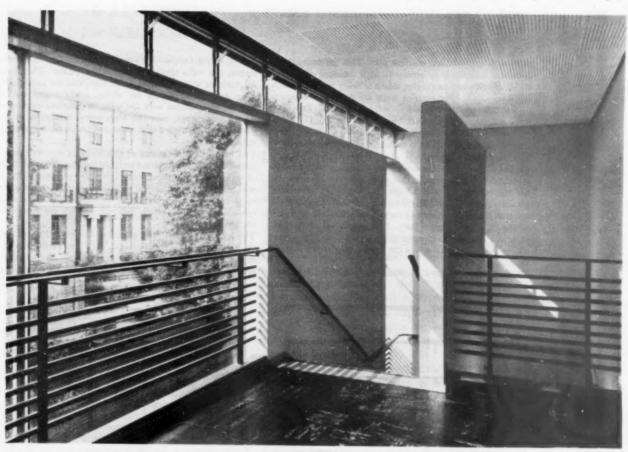
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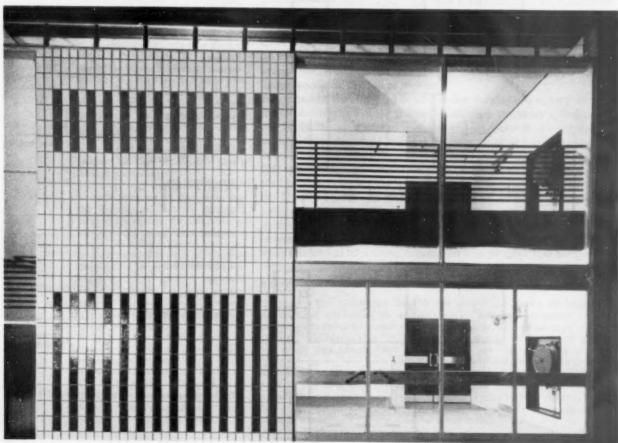
The same design of balustrade as for the balcony is used at the head of the stairs, opposite top

Decorative tiling at the main entrance, opposite bottom

Typical classroom interior, below







to adopt a compact and efficient plan. This has enabled the architects to achieve an unusually high standard of finishes both internally and externally, aimed at being as maintenance free as possible. The exterior walls are divided into panels designed to read alternately as solid and voids. The solid areas are finished with light blue glazed bricks. The voids on two sides are aluminium windows neatly divided to give sliding, projecting and fixed sashes, with an unbroken panel of white rendering below.

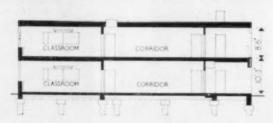
On the garden side there is a recessed balcony with a handsomely detailed balustrade, that gives relief to an otherwise flat facade, and provides a practical amenity to the smaller teaching rooms behind. The floor and roof slabs are expressed externally as black horizontal bands, except at the stairwell, where there is no upper floor. This strictly observed logic of solids and voids, immaculately detailed, is only inconsistent at the entrance where the ground floor slab is masked by paving.

The interior relies on a simplicity of colour and materials.

Except where exterior brickwork is carried into the cloakrooms, the walls throughout are white plaster. The floors
are black or white marbled p.v.c. tiles, and the acoustically
absorbent ceiling panels are white, neatly edged out in
black at the junction with the walls. A generous amount of
ceiling absorbents, plus the high sound insulation of the
partitions, has ensured that there are no problems of noise
in the building.

The excellent proportions of the building are well interpreted by skilful natural and artificial lighting. The simplicity of the general treatment, both internally and externally, is well balanced by the interest and richness of the mural at the entrance, and by the balustrade, the same design being used consistently on the stairs, balcony, and in the first floor circulation.

The approximate net cost of the extension was 82s. 3d. per sq. ft. This includes about 11s. od, per sq. ft. for finishes and fittings, 13s. 3d. for services, and roughly 2s. od. per sq. ft. abnormal foundation costs because of difficult site conditions.

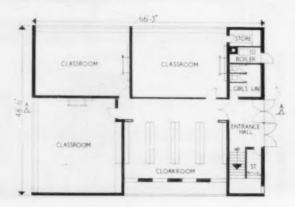


Section AA



First floor plan [Scale: 4" = 1' 0"]

Ground floor plan [Scale: 34" = 1' 0"]



3 layers of bitumen roofing felt 3"x1" alum angle painted concrete edge beam sliding fixed and top hung alum. suspended ceiling windows alum, sill 3"1" batten 41/2" brick skin 2" I skirting painted concrete alum. windows blind box grey glazed brick reveals alum sill rendered brick skin plasterboard backed with alum. foil 2" cavity 4" concrete blocks concrete ground 81/2" r.c. slab beam blinding on 4" hardcore

Section through external window wall [Scale: 4" = 1' 0"]

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STUDENT VIEW

Liverpool

Students at Liverpool are in the process of providing themselves with a coffee bar, as BASA rep. Nigel Gough says, "of simple but effective construction." The fittings have been bought with money donated by manufacturers, in addition to many items of high standard furniture given by them.

The design of the coffee bar and of the furnishings has been done by Liverpool students and construction will soon be completed.

Furniture manufacturers wishing to extend their advertising to students by similar donations should contact BASA Permanent Secretary.

Cardiff

Student has received a copy of the introductory programme given to 4th year students at the Welsh School of Architecture, Cardiff, in connection with their Town Planning scheme for Cardiff-" Plan for a capital city." The intro traces briefly the development of the city with reference to the catalytic factor of communications (the electricity grid freed factories from the coalfield . . .). " New means of transporting people and of communicating messages" may yet free the shop and office from town centres. But the spread of towns into the country seems a priori undesirable for most people; as the intro says, " if we wish to prevent building development in the countryside . . . and at the same time relieve urban congestion . . . then we certainly have a difficult job on hand."

The dangers of "engineering solutions" to traffic problems are dealt with—and the Government gets its customary pasting for treating the symptoms of the car disease rather than trying to find a cure. The public in general is attacked for "encouraging its planners to prevent development in agricultural areas but has not required them to undertake positive planning in our existing centres."

The actual programme—lasting a whole session, has 7 stages:—

Stage 1: "Introduction": Series of introductory lectures, visits and a reconnaissance survey.

Stage 2: "Finding Out About the City": Preparation of survey study sheets.

Stage 3: "Individual Solutions": Submission of individual solutions in esquisse form.

User Care and the New Biology

Reyner Banham's talk to the RIBA on "The History of the Immediate Future" (part published in *The Listener* for February 23; to be fully published in the RIBA Journal) raised many important issues which directly concern the immediate future of education. Dr. Banham's argument is too subtle to summarise adequately, but the main point is that "the lead in architecture follows the most powerful discipline adjacent to architecture." In the last decade history and architectural history have provided the "non-architectural" stimulus (most notably upon the Brutalists in England and Italy) together with fringe stimuli like science fiction, engineering, etc. In the last few years a new "non-A" conditioning factor has been introduced, in the form first of the social sciences, and more recently still of the human sciences, especially biology.

Thus a more valid reappraisal of the social function of architecture than was made under the historicist influence may become possible—in terms of what Banham calls "a special care for the users of buildings" (as illustrated by English hospitals and schools programmes). But unless really revolutionary changes are implemented, educationwise, the number of architects scientifically and humanly concerned with "the users of buildings" may remain a minority; only to take the place of the historicist minority in thinking in a way one ought to expect from ALL architects.

As Dr. Banham points out, a little science is a dangerous thing. Selective doses of environmental studies may allow students and architects to invent priorities for their own pet subject and make it impossible to gain a general conception of the multifarious factors that contribute to the human condition. So: all or nothing.

Educationally, the only kind of schools that may be able to keep up with the increasing scope of the human sciences are university schools, able, one hopes, to call upon the resources and co-operation of other departments within the single teaching community of the college and the extended community of the university.

It is only by experimenting as boldly as possible in these schools that we shall be able to answer the many questions that arise: In what way will the Human Sciences be taught? What can be learnt from a study of zoology, botany, psychology, physiology, sociology, etc., that is of practical or theoretical use to architects, rather than part of a general "cultural" interest in science? What will happen to the appearance of buildings while this kind of information is being fed to architects? Will architecture become a branch of human engineering? . . .

Stage 4: "The Committee Stage": A series of discussions to analyse problems and formulate policy.

Stage 5: "The Master Plan": The year will divide into groups. Each group study a different "type" solution.
Stage 6: "The Model": The year will work as one large group to make a model of one of the schemes.

Stage 7: "Plan for a Capital City"—A public exhibition.

Although Student would have preferred

to wait till the scheme has been completed before commenting on the programme, some of the stages do seem a bit ambiguous—has stage 3 been carried out by individuals in competition with one another, for instance? What kind of directive have the year been given as to their attitude towards possible clients? How realistic, and in what sense realistic, is the scheme to be? Any answers?

STUDENT

LES SOURCES DU X X ème SIÈCLE

John Berger, writing in the New Statesman* some time ago, attacked the existing policies of museum administrators who persist in presenting art as an exclusive preoccupation to be appreciated only by a privileged minority. He quotes Alexander Dorner, director of the Hanover Museum in the thirties—

"That so large and expensive institutions as art museums should still have no other purpose but to fill the visitor with separate emotional impressions that whirl around in his head as the pictures of a kaleidoscope, is a thought hard to bear. . . . Isn't this kind of culture outdated and an escape from actual life? Isn't such a kind of education apt to prevent understanding of our present? Considering that art history has reached the point where it can give us a clear line of evolution from prehistory into our present one might call it unfair to the public. To prove the existence of such an evolution and to convey it through the eyes and the mind means no less than to prove that there is a meaning in the growth of man's visual understanding . . . "

and goes on to outline methods by which art might be presented to the "uninitiated" public by oral, historical and various visual aids.

The exhibition at the Musée d'Art Moderne in Paris organised under the auspices of the Council of Europe and entitled "Les sources du XXe Siècle. (The Arts in Europe 1884-1914)" which recently ended after a four-month run, seems at first sight to be a major step towards some such idealistic policy. The aim of the exhibition was to present the origins and early development of the style which we know today as "modern" in painting, sculpture, the applied arts and architecture. Some 1,600 exhibits and photographs were assembled for this purpose. The idea behind the exhibition was bold, imaginative and laudable. The expense of bringing together 800 superb paintings must have been considerable although the exhibition was extremely popular and possibly showed a profit. However, I feel that this initial idea was not realised at all successfully. The sections devoted to architecture and design were especially disappointing if one is to judge by the progressive standards one expects from a museum of modern art.

Entering the exhibition through an 1800 Guimard metro entrance and passing two huge photos of the Tour Eiffel and the Halle des Machines by Dutert and Contamin for the 1889 Paris Expo, you were hurled without warning or explanation into the magnificent kaleidoscope. Starting with Renoir and Monet each painter or group of painters was meticulously presented chronologically in separate rooms: through Post Impressionism, Munch, early Picasso, les Nabis, Blaue Reiter, Die Brücke, break for Mackintosh and interior design, on to Cubism, Futurism, early Mondrian, early Malevitch, Modigliani, early Surrealism, Kokotchka, Thomas Cobleigh, and ending with—Architecture! By this time the poor visitor was too tired to care. Architecture of course has to be presented by explanatory substitutesphotographs, models, drawings and details. Here was the opportunity for some exciting visual presentation. But no, instead one wandered around a seemingly haphazard and unrelated collection of photos of every conceivable size (surely a module could have been chosen to limit the variety) mounted on " contemporary " open screens without any explanation at all, punctuated now and then by the odd date-1889 ... 1900, here and there an occasional plan. The only model was a cast of a piece of Gaudi vaulting for the Sagrada Familia, sitting gloomily in a circular bath of pebbles and bathed in a nightmarish light. The exhibition seemed to end, not with Gropius 1914 Model Factory as might be expected but with Sant'Elia's unrealised projects. So one stumbled out into the welcome air, the brain a confusion of scrambled impres-

At the outset I feel that too much of the exhibition was allocated to painting, there were too many works shown (I went four times before I could study any of them in detail), whereas sculpture was very poorly represented—no Zadkine, Manolo or Meunier and only one Brancusi—and a relatively small section was devoted to architecture. Taking the cue from Messrs. Berger and Dorner I should like humbly to offer some constructive criticisms of the exhibition as a whole.

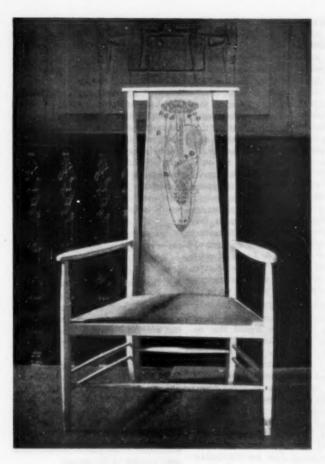
First, was it really necessary to separate the fine arts from architecture and design in this manner? Surely the overriding factor should have been to show the logical evolution of modern art and design which took place from the first break with a decadent classicism in the 70s, up to its final recognition as the legitimate style of our century just before the First World War, and every work should have been carefully chosen for its relevance to this theme. It is surely especially important to stress this evolution to the "general public" who tend to think that modern art was thought up by a few "charlatans" like Picasso in the 20s. Could not the whole development of all the arts have been

shown concurrently evolving towards le style moderne? Thus Sant'Elia would find his rightful place with Boccioni and Severini, Horta with Münch and Hodler, etc. Admittedly, the layout of the Musée did not help. That glorious edifice in the neomodernistic-pseudo-classical style so beloved of Adolf and Il Duce, is conceived planwise as a traditional museum. i.e. a Grande Salle with a collection of rooms instead of one or more large uninterrupted spaces. Nevertheless an arrangement which presented, say, painting and sculpture on one side with architecture and design running parallel on the other would have greatly aided an understanding of each exhibit within the context of all other related artistic activity.

Again there are clearly key works which stood out with tremendous impact in the exhibition both as grand culminations of certain developments, and points of departure for whole new directions of thought, i.e. Cezanne's " Grandes Baigneuses " Picasso's "Demoiselles d'Avignon (1907), Münch's "Fillettes sur le Behren's Pont " (1899), Factory (1909), Perret's Flats in the Rue Franklin (1908), or Gropius's Fagus Factory (1911). By emphasising these and using them as pegs around which to loop other works leading up to or stemming from them (not worrying too much about strict chronological order) some coherence and plan might have been given to the exhibition.

Second, architecture and design were presented entirely without imagination. Surely those responsible for its organisation were familiar with their Pevsner and their Giedion if not their Banham. The date 1884 which is a logical starting point for painting, marking the foundation of the Salon des Independents, has little relation to architecture. It would surely have been better to ignore this restriction in this field. Pevsner† finds two main sources for the modern style in architecture, the one aesthetic, stemming from Morris and the Arts and Crafts Movement, the other technical, evolving from nineteenth-century engineering discoveries-both these finally merging with Art Nouveau and thence the International, Functional or Modern "style."

Here was the lost opportunity. We might have traced the development of the Arts and Crafts Movement in England from its beginnings when Morris turned from the horrors of 1851, through Crane, Ashee, Webb, Goodwin and Shaw to Mackmurdo. Parallel to this there might have been a sequence showing the development of the frame from its earliest beginnings in cast iron in England in the eight-storey mill by Benyon, Bagt and Marshall (1796), Watt and Boulton's seven-storey cotton factory (1801), the Functional Tradition Bogardus, the St. Louis waterfront. Jenny‡ and the first skyscrapers.





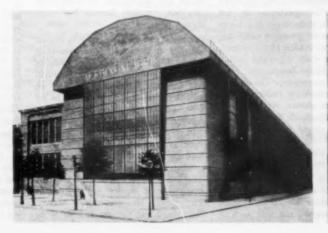
Mackintosh chair 1902, above Project by Sant'Elia, above right



Paul Cézanne, "Les Grandes Baigneuses" (1900-1905), right

Gaudi s chair from the Calvet house (1898), below right

Behren's turbine factory (1909), below





Labrousse, H. H. Richardson, the Chicago School and Sullivan. Close to this the development of concrete, a form of which was first employed by Smeaton in the Eddystone Lighthouse (1774), then exploited, after the introduction of Portland cement in 1824, by Hennebique, Baudot, Perret and Le Corbusier. In connection with this influence from engineering it is deplorable that no mention was made of Maillart in the exhibition (let alone Brunel) whose 1900 warehouse with its use of mushroom columns surely qualified him, if not his bridges. It may be argued that this is all too technical for such a general exhibition, but surely the "layman" would find considerable interest if such a project were presented well and attractively with plenty of models, diagrams and explanations, so long as any sort of glossy journal-type jargon was avoided. After all, the Science Museum is by far the most popular in England. As it was, the untitled collection of photos was useless both to the initiated who is familiar with them anyway, and to the uninitiated, who is just as bewildered as before.

Art Nouveau was slightly more coherently presented, perhaps because Gaudi, Mackintosh and Mackmurdo were isolated in rooms of their own, apart from the architecture section in which they also figured. However, once again, one arrived at them completely out of context, even Gaudi was not so cut off from other European trends as this. Apparently his contribution to structure is now fully recognised, if belatedly (he is not mentioned once in "Time, Space and Architecture"). It was encouraging also to see the architect of the Glasgow Art School given his rightful place as a major influence (I wore my Union Jack!). Excellent photos of his work were displayed round a centre piece containing examples of his furniture and interior design. However, one then moved to Mackmurdo's famous title page for the 1883 edition of "Wren's City Churches," the first work of Art Nouveau-most confusing. Furniture and the applied arts fared even worse than their Mother. A gloomy odd-shaped space was cluttered up with various specimens of Art Nouveau tables, beds, chairs and things whose function was probably never discovered. Here a complete Horta interior, there a Van de Velde sideboard (with a copy of "Also Spake Zarathustra" lying open on top!), a crazy type Gaudi chair and cases insensitively crammed with beautiful vases, glasses, etc., by Gallé or Tiffany of the Ecole de Nancy. Not many people stayed for long in this nightmare drawing room-I half expected some affluent suburban Aunt Edna to serve tea at any moment.

Third, could it have been possible to place the art of this period in relation to the wider historical and sociological context, to integrate not only each of

the plastic arts with each other but also with all other artistic, scientific and literary activity. This was a time of discovery and revolution equivalent to the Renaissance. The dawn of the first Machine Age on the one hand and of socialism on the other; "the spectre" was already haunting Europe, the ancien régime was on its last legs. New means of communication, the radio, the cinema, the automobile and the aeroplane were being invented. The same revolt against art for art's sake and the superficial bourgeois values of Victoriana were taking place in all the arts; the symbolists in poetry, Schönberg, Debussy and Stravinsky in music, Pirandello and Ibsen in the theatre, Bergson, Husserl and Nietzsche in philosophy, the Bergsonian man of action and the Grands Isolés all proclaimed the new era. The period gave birth to the sources of the twentieth century in the widest possible sense.

Since I have indicated that the contents of the exhibition were already overwhelming it may be argued that to attempt to incorporate all these contemporary influences and thoughts would only have added to the confusion. However, a weak attempt was made to show art and design as part of the larger culture. Here and there in nasty little museum cases tucked away in dark corners one came across a first edition of Verlaines "Illuminations" a yellowed Futurist Manifesto, Stravinsky's original score for "L'Oiseau du Feu" or Bergson's doctors thesis. A little case I noticed in the architecture section contained a preliminary sketch for a theory of relativity by one Einstein, Albert. Here and there in the same section were displayed an 1895 Ader aeroplane, Pasquer's 1905 telephone, Edisons 1910 phonograph, on the wall the odd cinema poster of the period. (But what's all that got to do with art, Daddy?) The point is this: half-heartedness was just not good enough. The organisers should either have concentrated on the plastic arts or presented the whole picture boldly with films, slides, models, ear-phones and what have you and attempted to show that art is not something produced for dilettantes, divorced from life, not "models for us but steps leading to us."*

It may be that I have been over critical of what is, in fact, a very interesting exhibition, that many of these ideas on public art education are unpractical and idealistic. You may argue that an art exhibition should not be like an art book as many of the New York Museum of Modern Art exhibitions are (q.v. "Images of Man"). Yet I feel that something of the sort must be done towards the education, initiation-call it what you will-of the public in art. This should surely be the role of administrative bodies not the artist. The means for combating Messrs. Beaverbook and Co. are few as it is,

full use should be made of them, using the latter's own methods if necessary. This applies to architecture most of all, something is sorely needed here and something more than the pathetic attempt to publicise the architect that occurred some time ago. Could not the Old Lady of Portland Place put on an exhibition directed at the public on the theme of the sources of the 20th-century architect? It's just possible that such an undertaking might get a responseand wouldn't that be frightful chaps? But, as a dear past president once remarked, " I'm afraid the general public just couldn't care less! " sigh (or words to that effect).

PARIS. Feb. 1961. LOUIS MARIO HELLMAN

* "Museum Mandarins," New Statesmen. 15 October 1960.

† See "Pioneers of Modern Design" and the Catalogue. The catalogue by the way was excellent—but expensive—with an admirable summary of the architectural background by Pevsner. But who can manage to read some 100 pages (of text alone) and view the exhibits?

‡ The exhibition was supposed to be confined to Europe but work by Wright, Sullivan, etc., was included under the pretext that Mey had initially been influenced by European developments. After all Sullivan did spend two years at the École des Beaux-Arts, Paris!

John Voelcker at the Bartlett

land use and population density

An architect's raw material is space, from this he creates place.

SPACE varies in scale from global space-something we cannot appreciate -to the spaces of quantum physics. An architect must comprehend space if he is to successfully create places. The SCALE of MAN'S ENVIRON-MENT has continually increased from the primitive family's territory to the Greek city-state and later the idea of empire. Today man must see himself in the context of the entire globe, we must appreciate STATISTICAL FACTS such as world population 2,885,000,000, the area of the globe is 35,500,000,000 acres so that discounting uninhabitable areas of the world such as polar regions, an even distribution would allow about 12.5 acres of habitable ground per family and three acres of cultivable land. Population distribution makes a mockery of this figure, today, if evenly distributed there would be 23 acres of cultivable land per person in Canada, 0.2 acres in Japan. Theoretically we need about 1 acre per person for continued existence. In ENGLAND, approximately 0.6 acres per head are theoretically cultivable, und 0.5 acres are under cultivation. This means that 80 per cent of the land is under cultivation. Most of the remaining 20 per cent of land accounts for

80 per cent of the population.

There are two clearly defined places in England, rural villages and city centres; villages are becoming depopulated with resultant lack of amenity, and city centres are suffocating to death. In Hull 30 per cent of the population live at a rate of 50 houses per acre at average densities of 11 persons per habitable room -including the kitchen. To reduce urban population to reasonable densities would require 6 per cent of new land.

Today's problem of land use can only be solved by new thinking. SO FAR attempts have been small scale and because this is a national problem, inefficient. Such attempts were: development areas, satellite towns, new towns, the only decisive attempt, and green belts, which seem positive but only lead to urban strangulation (e.g. in Glasgow a belt was formed round Clydeside, inhabitants could not afford to live outside the green belt so densities in the city increased to two people per habitable room in some areas).

Such failures are the result of anachronistic thinking. The misuse of the land is highlighted by this paradox type of situation.

We must think from the beginning; we must ANSWER THE FUNDA-MENTAL QUESTIONS. How much space does the nation need for living in? How much for agriculture? And for recreation? What are the density limits if we are to overcome overcrowding and depopulation? How should we define our regions, linearly or concentrically, or what? What are the feasible limits of domestic travel?

On a DOMESTIC scale, how much living space do we require at different ages? How can we arrange that the bulk of people get the sort of house that they require? At the moment 40 per cent of urban acreage is domestic. What pool is required to enable a reasonable choice? Having answered these questions how can we preserve individuality in our houses? These questions must be truly answered before we rearrange

We have reached a position of extreme polarisation, with huge dense towns and small unknit villages. A drastic reorganisation is required, conventional forms such as towns and villages are out of sympathy with the situation as it exists today. New group environments must result from rational analysis of contemporary data and requirements.

Report by BILL THOMAS

1900-1950 urban population has increased 39 per cent, urban use of space by 62 per cent, yet we still have the Glasgow Hull

BASA FACILITIES integration and apathy

There are two main functions of BASA. Firstly, and most important, to press for the reform of the present system of Secondly, architectural education. BASA offers facilities which are designed to promote integration between schools of architecture, and between schools and architecture, in its widest

The former aim is exemplified by the series of conferences being held on architectural education and sponsored by BASA. This process of careful analysis necessarily takes a long time and it is only now that BASA has some indication of what its future policies are going to be. However, there will be a time when BASA efforts will be rewarded.

This does not mean that BASA will cease to function at that time. It will still be a dominant factor on the educational scene, both as a watchdog, and as the organisers of those aspects of education now covered by the nucleus of BASA facilities.

As BASA achieves its primary aims, the facilities will become more important. The object of these services will remain the stimulation of students against the apathy, prejudices and non-integrated social activities that exist in most architectural schools.

At present, there is little co-ordination in the training of the architect, either in relation to the internal curriculum, or to co-operation between schools and between schools and the profession. One can realise immediately the benefits of a wider perception of education if these mental barriers are broken down. A lack of exchange of ideas between students can only lead to bigotry and stagnation. BASA promotes the integration of extra-curricular activities as being essential for the positive development of a student's education.

Naturally our existing facilities are to some extent conditioned by the existing system of education-but BASA must work for an expansion of the existing nucleus of facilities in order to provide a wider and more flexible service.

The facilities are designed at present on a self-service basis, by delegating organisation to individual students, co-ordinated by the central executive. This not only relieves the executive of a proportion of work but ensures that schools actively participate in the running of BASA.

There are three basic schemes.

(1) LECTURE POOL. Designed to provide subsidised lectures for all schools, irrespective of size or status. This facility is the most advanced and is in operation. The organising secretary is Graham Lees, and enquiries should be forwarded to him at the RWA school, Bristol. The scheme is a simple printed reply postcard system which incorporates an invitation to all

neighbouring schools and allied socie-

(2) TRAVELLING EXHIBITIONS. These are organised on a regional basis and consist of 35 mm. slides of students' work. Each exhibition is collected by a local organising secretary, who sends the total exhibition in rota to the schools in his region. Exhibitions have been lost in the past and this scheme has been designed to offset this danger, as the circuits become smaller and prompt notification of arrival and departure of the exhibition can be sent to the organiser. When local circuits have been completed they will be exchanged nationally. The regional secretaries are: Home Counties, K. Jeavons (Hammersmith)

South, M. Chester (Canterbury) Wales and West, M. Gunn (Cardiff) Midlands, D. Page (Leicester) North, Miss M. Grenfell (Leeds) Scotland and N.E., J. Topping (Dur-

(3) VACATION WORK ABROAD. This is centred in London and co-ordinated by Roger Clark. BASA will be creating two schemes, as the original system failed through student apathy. (a) With direct affiliation to IESTI which will cater for schools belonging to BASA-there is clearly no reason for duplicating the existing and efficient facilities of IESTI. For individual students BASA will co-ordinate many personal contacts with foreign architects. Roger Clark would be grateful if any student with foreign connections would contact him.

Explained above are the outlines of existing facilities: BASA intends to expand these nationally and internationally. The success or failure of these schemes depends to a large extent on the organising secretaries. It is essential that organising secretaries should realise their importance and be able to adapt their thinking to at least a national level. BASA has already experienced some misfortunes in its choice of secretaries: if a secretary finds he is no longer able to fulfil BASA duties, then the executive will understand and look for someone else-but the secretary should inform the executive immediately. Any delay in notification is an embarrassment to BASA and it will be wise for schools to choose their representatives with some care.

I hope that I have not sounded too dictatorial in the last paragraph but have indicated the responsibility of organisers with regard to the great importance of BASA facilities, both now and in the future.

BASA Secretary, KENNETH CLAXTON

LIVERPOOL

Report of the annual address by Professor Gardner-Medwin

The Professor gave an account of recent staff discussions on some fundamental reforms in the course and said he wanted to sound student opinion about it. It provoked a good deal of discussion, but apparently no fundamental disagreement.

One of the main ideas, he said, was to give the first three years more completeness as a basic education for architecture-possibly ending with a diploma (or even a Bachelor of Arts degree)and to provide students in the 4th and 5th years with a chance to concentrate in depth upon some aspect of architecture related to their special talents and interests. The advanced course would remain essentially a professional training for the practice of architecture, as distinct from the basic education of the first three years, but it would be orientated in one of the following directions:-

- (1) urban design
- (2) structural design
- (3) environmental design
- (4) historical design.

These orientated studies, all of which would be linked to complex problems of design (though not in the present form of a "prima donna" thesis), would perhaps encourage a larger proportion of students, a year or two after they qualify, to put in a year of post-graduate study, leading to the recently instituted degree of M.Arch.

Reforms in the staffing and equipping of the School would include greatly extended facilities for post-graduate research—an urgent need of the profession.

One of the dangers in schools of architecture was that students were easily led astray by disproportionate absorption with current aesthetic fashions (pro-Mies and anti-historicism six years ago, anti-Mies and pro-historicism today). Everything should be done to ensure that personal characteristics in creative design are allowed to develop naturally after the disciplines of planning and construction have been mastered. Superficial attitudes to "design," divorced from logic in planning and skill in construction, could be disastrous.

Report by NIGEL GOUGH

SPECIAL NOTICES

Footballers

The RIBA would like to have the names of people interested to form a soccer team to play other professional bodies. Would students please forward their names, addresses, and positions, to Mr. Littlejohn, 5 Myrtle Road, Queens Park, Bournemouth, or telephone Dorchester 1700 X 2267.

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SWINGS

It was 8.30 the other evening: those well-known

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bronze doors in Portland Place were still

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inviting an entrance. I entered.

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sound

of great

SWINGING

music—emanating from somewhere.

An unaccustomed sound at this place?

Drifted

down

a flight of stairs to a closed cloakroom Drifted

up

again: music still going

STRONG,

crazy.

Took lift to second floor: very

dark

there but for small

patch

of bright light shooting from lounge.

Music very strong

NOW

Can it be?

NO!

But

YES,

it is

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Made for lounge to

get

with

cats

Inside, among the bright DECORations and

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furniture: 30 or so patrons clustered at the drinks

end

of the room.

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this was.

GOOD IDEA,

meeting

place for king size and filter-tipped professionals to talk,

drink

and swing.

social

function without a formal architectural pretext.

The music proved too much for a couple of

COUPLES

who could be seen jiving in darkness of gallery—while

verbal jass

continued within.

Later, well imbibed, left

thinking

when's the next time? more people?

more publicity?

I'm looking forward to next time. but watch out you

SQUARES

and

cats.

ROBIN C. MOORE.

APOLOGY

We must apologise to Mr. Denys Lasdun for a misunderstanding in a recent issue concerning the subject of "concrete" in the report of his visit to the Bartlett.

The point that Mr. Lasdun wished to make was that the success of concrete depends upon the context in which it is used because the layman is particularly aware of badly finished concretes To ensure, therefore, a satisfactory finish, it is imperative to obtain (a) the best possible workmanship and site supervision, (b) carefully planned "pourings" and (c) an homogeneous mix . . . all producing a uniform texture and colour.

Current wage rates,

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Shower Installations

The illustration below shows a type of standard shower fitting recently introduced by the Leonard thermostat people. It is a simple idea, the shower arm being angled at about three-quarters of its length, so that the shower head can be either overhead or at shoulder height according to the way the arm is fitted. The shower head is pivoted on a ball joint, and the front plate of the rose unscrews quite easily for cleaning. (Walker, Crosweller & Co. Ltd., Cheltenham, Glos.)



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Further increases in materials prices are recorded this quarter together with the February wage increase. Materials affected include cement, sand, ballast, cast iron goods and glass.

A number of new items have been included which it is hoped will increase the usefulness of the prices feature.

The prices are prepared by Davis, Belfield and Everest, Chartered Quantity Surveyors.

ESTIMATING

current wage rates, market prices and measured rates

Wage rates

Rates of wages as from February 6, 1961, are as follows:

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Market prices

Prices are given for the major items in each trade, they are intended as average prices and include delivery in the London area. They do not include overhead charges and profit.

Measured rates

Prices which are intended to be average for work carried out in the London area 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 italics 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) can be ascertained by subtracting the prices in italics from the prices in heavier type.

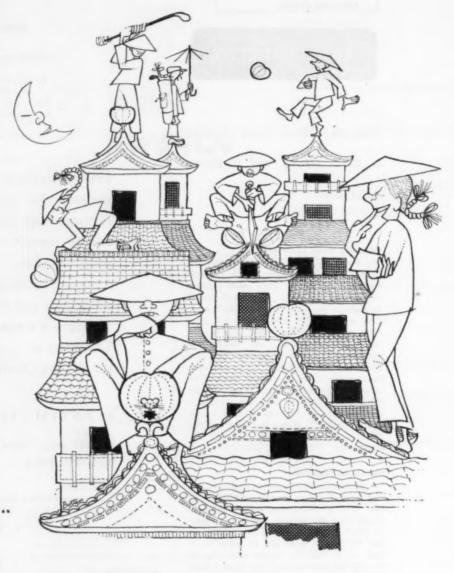
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Preliminaries

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Hand loa	YC ded 7 9	excavation and loading into lorries or dumpers (using Portland cement mass		
Machine loa		§ yd. cube excavator) YC 3 0 concrete in foundations, etc.		
Hardcore	YC *10 6	Excavating for surface I : 12, 1½-in. "all-in" excavation and removing,	. 142	2
Measured rates		spreading and levelling not	41	-
Hand excavation and dispose	-1	6 yd. cube scraper) YC 2 11	50	0
	41	Removing excavated material	57	6
NB: the following are applicable to excavation n heavy soil.		and depositing, not exceeding 200 yds. (using 3 yd. cube dumper) YC 2 2	59	
		dumper) YC 2 2 Add for:		
Excavating over site to remove top soil and veget-		Planking and strutting Working around rod or		5
ble matter, 6 in. deep	YS 1 4	Planking and strutting to mesh reinforcement YO	. '5	3
As above, 12 in. deep	YS 2 8	sides of surface or Underpinning in short	: 16	3
Excavating over site to reduce levels and getting				
out	YC *10 10	Depth up to 5 ft. 9 Walls: You not over 6-in, thic		1
Excavating for basement		Depth up to 15 ft. 6-in. to 12-in. thic	*18	11
and getting out	YC	Planking and strutting to	C *13	6
Depth up to	5 ft. *12 2	sides of surface and Columns: You basement trenches FS Not over 72 sq. inche		
Depth between 5 & 10	0 ft. *17 7	72 to 144 sq. inche	s *40	7
Depth between 10 & 1	5 ft. *23 0	Depth up to 5 ft. 2 Over 144 sq. inche		
xcavating surface trenches		Depth up to 15 ft. 4 Suspended floors and roofs		
nd ditto	YC	Planking and strutting Not over 41-in, thic		
Depth up to		underpinning in short 41-in. to 6-in. thic	018	11
Depth between 5 & 10 Depth between 10 & 11		lengths FS I 5 6-in. to 12-in. thic	¢ *16	3
excavating basement		Timber left in excavation FS II 0 Beds: Y		
renches and ditto	YC	Hardcore Not over $4\frac{1}{2}$ -in. thic $4\frac{1}{2}$ -in. to 6-in. thic	k 8	1
Commencing 5 ft be	low	Hardcore filled-in in layers,		8
existing ground le	evel *20 4	each layer well rammed YC *21 7 Hollow tile floors		
Commencing 10 ft. be existing ground le		Hollow tile floor of clay		
Commencing 15 ft. be existing ground le		Bed of ditto, 4-in. thick YS *3 7 blocks at 15-in. centres laid		
		separately), nibs filled in		
Add to excavation for: Basketing out and		CONCRETOR with concrete (1 : 2 : 4) and finishing top of tiles with		
depositing	YC 10 10	bed of concrete 14-in. thick		
Underpinning in trenches in short		Market prices including tamping around reinforcement (measured		
lengths Isolated pier holes, etc.	YC 8 1 YC 5 5	Portland cement, 6 tons and separately)	S	
Breaking up existing		Normal setting*113 6 4-in. thick tile	s *18	7
brick foundations Breaking up existing	YC 45 0	Rapid hardening*124 0	10	10
concrete foundations	YC 60 0	Washed, crushed and graded 6-in. thick tile		11
Wheeling surplus excavate	ad	shingle YC 8-in. thick tile	s *28	
material not exceeding		1½-in. down *18 6	10	. 7
100 yards and depositing	YC *5 5	Sharp sand YC *22 0		
Add to last for:		Finishing concrete with		
Roughly spreading and levelling	YC 1 7	Hollow clay floor blocks trowelled face to receive linoleum	s I	1
Spreading, levelling and		12-in. × 12-in. × 4-in. 769 0		
consolidating to make u levels	PYC 3 6	12-in. × 12-in. × 6-in.1052 0 Applying horizontal damp-proof membrane of		
Returning, filling-in and		Mild steel rods to B.S. 785 Synthaprufe in two coats to surface of concrete and		
well ramming excavated		delivered station T blinding with sand to form		
material around foundation	ns YC 4 9	I-in. diameter 830 0 key	5 * 5	3 10
		I-in. diameter 892 6		**
Loading surplus material in lorries and carting to tip,	nto	3-in. diameter 922 6 Supplying floor clips (p.c. 6d la-in. diameter 1022 6 each) and fixing N		
not exceeding 8 miles	YC *16 1			
Excavating from spoil heap	os	Steel wire mesh fabric to Hacking face of concrete to form key	S I	1 9
		BS. 1221 YS		
selected top soil, wheeling				
selected top soil, wheeling not exceeding 100 yards, a spreading, levelling and		4.32 lb. per yd. super 2 10 Bush hammering face of 6.57 lb. per yd. super 4 32 concrete to expose		

Concretor—continued		s	d	BRICKLAYER s d Bricklayer—continued s	d
Formwork				Market prices Damp-proof courses	
Formwork including strutt	ing			Soft sand YC *19 0 Horizontal damp-proof course	
easing and striking:				Hydrated lime T 110 0 bedding and pointing FS 4	3
Vertical faces of foundation		*19	9		4
	13	10	2	· Horizontal damp-proof course	
Vertical faces of wall	YS	*20	4 3	Second hard stocks M*352 2 of hessian base bitumen and laying on brick walls FS Lingfield Engineering wire	7
Battering faces of walls	YS	25	11	cuts Grade B M*286 0 Horizontal damp-proof course of lead lined hessian base hessian base bitumen and laying on	
Soffit of floors	vc	-		to BS 743 YS *4 41 brick walls FS I	9
Not over 12-ft. h	YS	*20	2	Damp course slates, 14-in. × 9-in. 100* 76 0 Facings	6
12-ft. to 14-ft. h	nigh	26	6	Wall ties, galvanised 100 15 8 Extra over ordinary brick-	
Sloping soffit of stairs	YS	*24	4	Partitions work with bricks P.C. 132s. per 1,000 for facings as described	
Sides of columns	FS	2	7	Clinker concrete, solid YS 2½-in. 5 7 To solid wall in Flemish	
Sides of Columns		•	ii	3-in. 7 I bond YS	3
Sides and soffits of lintels and beams	FS	2	9	8	7
and ocams		ī	i	2½-in. 7 0	10
Add to the above for wrot formwork including rubbin					2
down concrete	YS	2	8	To cavity wall in stretcher	
Reinforcement					8
Mild steel rods to BS 785, hooked, bent, tied and				(ditto) 4-in. 7 3 Facings P.C. 350s. per M *18	7 3
fixing	C			Normal quality wood wool Facings P.C. 450s. per M 23	9
I-in. diame		50		Slabs YS 2-in. 8 10	7
å-in. diame	eter	*69	3	2½-in. 10 2 Half brick wall in facings 3-in. 11 5 built fair and pointed on	
-in. diame	eter	*75 54	7 2	Measured rates one side YS Facings P.C. 250s. per M *31	4
a-in, diame	eter		7		1
⅓-in, diame	eter		11	cement lime mortar, 21	7 6
Contract to the Chair		00	0	YS 27	2
Steel wire mesh fabric to BS 1221 and fixing	YS			Flettons *36 2 19 0 Partitions	
4-32 lb. per yd. su	per	3	5	Second stocks *59 10 42 9 Clinker concrete solid	
6.57 lb. per yd. suj	per	5	3	Lingfield Grade B *55 11 Clinker concrete solid partition blocks and setting in cement lime mortar YS	
9-32 lb. per yd. suj	per	8 7	6	Half brick wall ditto YS	
0		ŕ	,	Flettons *19 11 3-in. 15	8
Precast concrete				Second stocks *31 9 44-in. *19	2
Precast concrete (1 : 2 : 4) finished fair on exposed fac	ces			Lingfield Grade B *30 5	5
and hoisting setting and jointing:				17 7 Thermalite ditto YS 2½-in. 12 1	11
44-in × 5-in. lintels rein-				11-in. hollow wall with 2-in.	6
forced with one ½-in. rod	FR		11	Flettons *43 3	3 6
		2	5	Second stocks *67 0	4
$4\frac{1}{2}$ -in. \times 9-in. ditto with to $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. rods	FR	4	5	42 2 6-in. 27	7
Piling		3	7	One brick wall built fair and pointed both sides YS Hollow clay ditto YS	
Reinforced pre-cast concre	te			Flettons *43 3 2½-in. *11	8
piles, approximate prices for	or			Second stocks *67 0 (6 cavity) 3-in. *13	7 2
supplying, unloading, pitch and driving 12-in. × 12-in. up to 30 ft.				Lingfield Grade B 61 10 (ditto) 4-in. *16	90
long	FR	35	0		
14-in. × 14-in. up to 50 ft.	FR	41	0	2-in. 14	4
Sheet steel piling, ditto	T	1165	0	and flush pointing YS 6 2½-in. 16	
		1230		bonding new work to 3-in. 18 i	
				old FS 5 9 13	9

DRAINLAYER		S	d	Drainlayer—continued	s	d	Drainlayer—continued	S	d
Market prices				" Best " quality salt-glazed			Cast iron drains		
Salt glazed stoneware pi and fittings, "Best" qual				stoneware drain pipes and laying and jointing in			Cast iron spigot and socket		
and neengs, best quan	ich:			trench FR 4-in.	-	8	drain pipes and laying and jointing in trench	FR	
Ordinary pipes	FR		-		1	11		-in. *14	
	4-in. 6-in.			6-in.		10	6	-in. *20	
	9-in.			9-in.	6	5		17	10
Bends	No.				5	2	9	-in. *39	
	4-in.			Extra over "Seconds"		*		-	
	6-in. 9-in.			quality pipes for:			Spun cast iron spigot and socket drain pipes and layir	10	
Direch Characian	50			Bend No.			and jointing in trench	FR	
Pitch fibre pipe	FR 3-in.	- 1	103	4-in.	3		4	-in. *7	
	4-in.	2	6	6-in.	5	5	6	in. *11	10
	6-in.	5	01	9-in.	15		9	-in. *21	
Cast iron spigot and soci					14	11	1	15	
pipe to BS 437	YR 4-in.	*31	1	Single junction No.			Extra over cast iron pipes		
	6-in.			4-in.	6		for:		
	9-in.	85	2	6-in.	9			No. -in. * 32	0
Spun iron spigot and soc					7	4		25	4
pipe to BS 1211, Class B	YR 4-in.	*14	5	9-in.	17		6	-in. * 74	0
	6-in.	*22	7				9.	in. *191	9
	9-in.	*3/	9	Double junction No.	10	9		174	9
Measured rates					8	1		No.	0
Trenches and beds				6-in.	15		4	-in. 49 42	8 2
				9-in.	30	1	6	-in. III	0
Excavate trenches by har heavy soil, including plan					26	4	9	-in. 268	
and strutting, part return				Stoneware gullies				252	7
filling and ramming and wheeling and spreading				Salt-glazed trapped gully			Cast iron gullies		
surplus, for pipes 4-in.,	V0			with galvanised grating					
6-in. and 9-in. dia.	YR		٠	including setting gully on and surrounding with concrete			Cast iron gully trap with hi	gn	
Average depth of trench				and jointing to drain No.			surrounding with concrete		
	4-ft. 6-ft.		6	6 in. × 6 in. grating 4 in.	*26	4		No. -in. *45	4
	9-ft.	76	8		21			37 -in, *112	11
Excavate trench as last b	ut			9 in. × 9 in. grating 6 in. outlet	*48	5	0	101	5
by mechanical trencher	YR				42		9.	-in. *252	2
Average depth of trench	3-ft.	*13	8	Grease and mud gully 9-in.				237	1
	4-ft.	*18	9	diameter with 4-in. outlet			Cast iron inspection fittings		
	6-ft. 9-ft.			galvanised bucket and grating and setting gully on and			Branch with one branch		
(to				surrounding with concrete			each side	Vo.	
6-in. concrete bed and benching for:	YR			and jointing to drain No.	*91	4	7	in. 185	10
	-1	**					6-	in. 293	-
4-in. diameter	pipes	*9	~ ~	Road gully with 6-in, outlet including setting on and			9.	276 in. 600	0
6-in, diameter	pipes	*11		surrounding with concrete				574	7
9-in. diameter	pipes	14	0	and jointing to drain No. 15-in. dia. 30-in. deep	122	4	Branch with two branches		
		8	6		98	4		No.	2
5-in. concrete bed and				18-in. dia. 48-in. deep	205	2	*	in. 299 283	8
urround for:	YR				200	-	6-	in. 464	1
4-in. diameter	pipes	*16	2	Pitch fibre drains			9.	441 in. 941	3
		9	9	Pitch fibre drain pipes and				906	1
6-in. diameter	pipes	*19	6	laying and jointing in trench			Manhole covers and frames		
9-in. diameter	pipes	24	8	3-in.	2	3			
		14	10	4-in.	2	114	Galvanised cast iron to BS 497 Grade C and beddin	2	
toneware drains					2	91	rame in cement and cover	0	
Seconds " quality salt-				6-in.	5	8	in grease Double seal flat	No.	
lazed stoneware drain p					3	-	24-in. × 18	in. 128	-
nd laying and jointing in rench	FR			Extra over pitch fibre pipe for 45° sweep bend No.			24-in. × 24	121 in. 197	2 5
	4-in.	2	5	3-in.	10	0		188	10
	6-in.	*3	8	A in	9	6	Double seal recessed 1 24-in. x 18	No.	10
		2	5	4-in.	13	7		128	0
	9-in.	*5	8	6-in.	27	8	24-in. × 24	in. 197	5



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or concrete	BS1097 BS1418	10	6
Vertical tanking in th			
hicknesses	PS 1097 BS1418	24 29	
dorizontal tanking in	three		
hicknesses	YS BS1097 BS1418	17 25	
Roofing			
in. flat laid to falls hicknesses on and in elt underlay			
cir dilderiay	BS988 BS1162	12	5
in, skirting with an illet at bottom and r edge at top turned in	ounded		
roove	FR BS988 BS1162	2 2	7
in, fascia with solid theck roll at top and			
cut drip at bottom	BS988 BS1162	4	9
looring			
-in. asphalt flooring			
repared screed	YS BS1076 BS1410	12	3 5
-in, brown asphalt fl aid on prepared scre	ooring ed YS BS1451	14	8
-in. brown pitchmas looring laid on prepa	tic		
creed	YS BS1375	П	10
undries			
abour and material follars around pipes ingle fillet at bottom	ncluding		
	No. mall pipe arge pipe	4 7	9
_abour warming up a	nd lat FR		

PAVIOR		S	d
Market prices			
Granite chippings, \(\frac{1}{4} \) in. to dust	Т	48	7
Red quarry tiles, 6 in. 8	YS	14	2
Noelite paving, 2-in.	YS		11
Measured rates	, ,	12	11
Cement and sand floated screed to receive pavings	YS -in.	4	3
1	-in.	*5	4
14	-in.	3	10
		3	6
Cement and sand paving trowelled hard and smooth			
	YS	10.2	10
	-in.	2	10
1	-in.	*5	9
14	-in.		4 6
Granolithic paving laid on		3	0
concrete	YS	_	
	-in.	5	3
1 ½	-in.	+9	8
to in. red composition pavir laid on prepared screed	ng YS	16	6
ફ્રે-in. terrazzo paving laid o prepared screed	n YS	38	4
Sheet rubber flooring, plain and marble colours and			
laying	YS	20	
	-in.	39 47	3
	-in.	57	9
Sheet linoleum, plain colou			
and fixing with mastic 3.2 r	YS nm.	*21	0
4.5 r	nm.	*26	3
in. thermoplastic tile flooring and laying-on scre	ed		
	YS	*9	6
		*15	9
Cork tile flooring, fixing w	ith		
mastic and sealing	YS -in.	29	11
	-in.	*33	1
P.V.C. tile flooring and			
fixing with mastic	YS nm.	28	1.2
	nm.	40	
Vinyl tile flooring and fixin	g		
with mastic	YS	10	
	nm.		8
Red quarry tiles laid on			
prepared screed	YS	***	
		*25	
 Noelite paving laid or prepared bed, in random s 	izes		
and mixed colours	YS	*20	6
12 in. × 12 in. anchor stee			
plates laid complete	YS	*60	3

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Market prices			
Stone in blocks in tr at stations in the Lo			
Beer	FC	10	6
Portland	FC	9	10
Woodkirk Blue be	uilding		
quality	FC	19	2
Broughton Moor sla blocks at stations in London area	the	60	0
Marble in blocks at			
Dove		70	0
Roman stone	FC	65	0
Measured rates			
Stone and all labours and setting in morta			
Pilasters and quoins	FC FC	- 50	10
	Portland Beer	-56	0
lambs	FC		
	Portland Beer		
Lintels	FC		
	Portland Beer		
Arches	FC	-	-
	Portland Beer	*79	3
		13	0
Ashlar average 7-in. with plain dressed fa	ice FS		
	Portland Beer	*34	8
Extra for each addit	ional 1-in.		
thickness	FS Portland	14	9
	Beer		
4½-in. × 4-in. sill su weathered, throated			
grooved for water b	ar, set and		
jointed in cement m		*12	10
jointed in cement m	Portland Beer	*12	3
	Portland Beer Artificial	*12	
4-in. 12-in. coping	Portland Beer Artificial g, e throated	*12	3
4-in. × 12-in. copin	Portland Beer Artificial g, e throated	*12	3
4-in. 12-in. coping weathered and twick set and jointed in ce	Portland Beer Artificial g, a throated ment FR Portland	*12 5	3
4-in. 12-in. coping weathered and twick set and jointed in ce	Portland Beer Artificial g, a throated ement FR	*12 5	1119
4-in. 12-in. coping weathered and twick set and jointed in ce	Portland Beer Artificial g. a throated ement FR Portland Beer Artificial	*12 5	1119
4-in. × 12-in. coping weathered and twice set and jointed in ce mortar	Portland Beer Artificial g, a throated ment FR Portland Beer Artificial s FC Portland	*12 5 *24 *23 12	111 99 3
4-in. × 12-in. coping weathered and twice set and jointed in ce mortar	Portland Beer Artificial generated throated thro	*12 5 *24 *23 12	111 99 3
4-in. 12-in. copin, weathered and twice set and jointed in comortar Steps and threshold: Marble and slate 3-in. plain polished	Portland Beer Artificial gethroated ement FR Portland Beer Artificial s FC Portland Artificial	*12 5 *24 *23 12	111 99 3
4-in. 12-in. copin, weathered and twick set and jointed in comortar Steps and threshold: Marble and slate	Portland Beer Artificial g, e throated ment FR Portland Beer Artificial FC Portland Artificial	*12 5 *24 *23 12 61 36	111 99 3
4-in. 12-in. copin, weathered and twick set and jointed in comortar Steps and threshold: Marble and slate 2-in. plain polished fixing on brick back Broughton Ro	Portland Beer Artificial gethroated ment FR Portland Beer Artificial s FC Portland Artificial linings and ings FS Moor slate man stone	*12 5 *24 23 12 61 36	3 1 1 1 9 3 3 6
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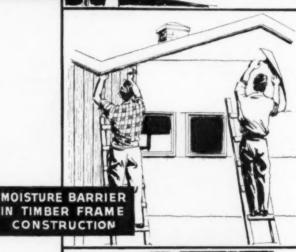


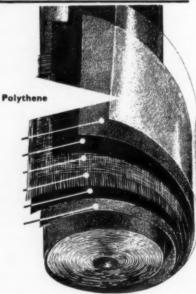
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	Market prices	Measured rates
Market prices	Softwood Std.	Floors and skirtings
Welsh slates, best quality M 16-in. × 10-in. 1042 9 20-in. × 10-in. 2000 0	Carcassing quality 1840 0 Joinery quality 2300 0	Tongued and grooved softwood flooring and nailing to joists
Best hand made sand faced	½-in, fibre board Sq. 46 6	Sq. 7-in.*166 0
plain tiles, $10\frac{1}{2}$ -in. \times $6\frac{1}{2}$ -in. M 386 6	in. standard hardboard Sq. *39 0	124 0 1-in.*191 0
Plain concrete tiles, 0½-in. × 6½-in. M 170 3	a-in. insulating gypsum wallboard YS 2 11	149 0
nterlocking concrete tiles, 15-in. × 9-in. M 425 0	Measured rates	I-in. nominal double grooved t. and g. block flooring set in mastic and polished YS
Grey corrugated asbestos tement sheets YS 7 0	Softwood and fixing	Swedish softwood 30 0
	In plates, sleeper joists and Iintels FC 15 4	European beech 32 6
Measured rates	In floor and ceiling joists FC 17 11	African Muhuhu 37 9
Welsh slates laid to a 3-in. ap Sq.	In stud partitions, purlins	Burma teak 41 0
16-in. × 10-in. 293 0 20-in. × 10-in. 406 0	and struts FC *20 3	Moulded skirtings, 3-in. to
	In hip and valley rafters FC *23 1	6-in. sectional area planted
Westmorland green slates in random sizes laid 3-in. lap Sq.*722 0	Battening and boarding	on (per inch in sectional area) FR
Westmorland green slates	Slate or tile battens 1½ in. ×	Softwood 3
hung vertically Sq. 742 0	in, and nailing to fixing for:	Oak 10
Best hand made sand faced plain tiles, 10½ in × 6½ in. laid	16-in. × 10-in, slating to 6½-in, gauge *43 3	Extra for grounds plugged to brickwork FR
to a 4-in. gauge Sq. 252 0	20-in. × 10-in. slating to	Softwood 10
Best hand made sand faced plain tiles, 10½ in. × 6½ in.	8½-in. gauge °33 0	Windows
nung vertically to 4½-in. gauge Sq. 268 0	$10\frac{1}{2}$ -in. \times $6\frac{1}{2}$ -in. plain tiling to 4-in. gauge *59 0	2-in. rebated and moulded sashes divided into squares FS
Plain concrete tiles, 10½-in. × 5½-in. laid to a 4-in. gauge Sq. 123 0	$14\frac{1}{2}$ -in. \times 10-in. pantiles to 12-in. gauge *23 0	Softwood 3 II Oak II IO
Berkshire hand made sand faced red pantiles, 14½ in. × 10 in. laid 2½-in. head and	S.E. boarding in batten widths close jointed and fixing to flat or sloping roofs	Extra for side hanging Each Softwood 3 0 Oak 4 6
1½-in. side lap Sq. *223 0	₹-in.* 120 6 85 0	Doors
nterlocking concrete tiles,	I-in.*147 6	
15-in. × 9-in. laid to a 3-in. lap	112 0	2-in, framed, ledged and braced doors, filled in with
Grey corrugated asbestos	T. & g. boarding in batten widths close jointed and fixing	I-in, t, and g, and V jointed boarding and hanging FS
roofs Sq. 123 0	to flat or sloping roofs Sq. 2-in.*140 6	Softwood 6 8
	96 0	
Grey corrugated asbestos cement sheets fixed vertically	I-in.* !71 6	Four panelled door square both sides and hanging FS
Sq. 133 0	4-in. wrot and cross tongued	Softwood 7 2
Cedarwood shingles laid 5-in. gauge Sq. 245 0	eaves soffit FS *2 4	Oak 21 2
Metal roof decking and fixing	₹-in. × 6-in. wrot and	la-in. Standard flush door, hardboard faced size 2 ft. 6 in.
with hook bolts, finished with 1/2-in, insulation board	grooved eaves fascia p.o. FS 10 6	× 6 ft. 6 in. and hanging No. 44 6
and three layers self finish felt roofing YS	Wall and ceiling boards fixed	13-in, honeycomb core flush door lipped four edges,
18 gauge for	to softwood	veneered faced with West
spans up to 10 ft. 60 6 20 gauge for	f-in. fibre board 6 10	African Cedar, size 2 ft. 6 in. × 6 ft. 6 in. and hanging No. 75
spans up to 8 ft. 6 in. 52 6	5 0	63. 3
Two layer one ply bitumen felt and fixing with bitumen	f-in. hardboard *5 9 4 3	Linings and frames
to concrete or boarding YS 9 6	a-in, insulating gypsum wallboard 5 6	Window and door linings, 6-in, to 12-in, sectional area
Three layer bitumen felt YS 12 7	3 8	(per inch sectional area) FR
Nuraphalte thermoplastic	sheeting 8 11	Softwood
roofing laid on prepared	4 11	Oak I
surface, for areas of 300 to 400 yd. super YS 27 6	4-in. asbestos cement flat sheeting 10 8	5
Patent ribbed aluminium	2-in. Stramit, showerproof	Frames wrot all round and framed (per inch sectional
roofing and fixing to purlins	quality fixed to joists with	area) FR
Sq.*325 0	butt joints *16 2	Softwood :

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Joiner—continued	s d	IRONMONGER	d	PLASTERER	5	d
Mullions, transomes and sills		Market prices		Market prices		
(per inch sectional area) FR Softwood Oak	10	As prices for ironmongery vary so greatly depending			*22	2 0
Mouldings, architraves, etc., 4-in. to 6-in. sectional area (per inch sectional area) FR		upon the type and quality required, no prices are quoted here		Plaster to BS 1191 Class B in loads of 2 tons to 3 tons 19 cwt.	Г	
Softwood	3	Measured rates		Browning Fibred browning	174	4 0
Oak	10	The rates which follow are for fixing only and are inclusive of profit		Board finish Carlite plaster in loads of		1 0
6-in. window boards, I-in. thick with rounded nosing tongued at back and including		To softwood		2 tons to 3 tons 19 cwt. Undercoa	r + 280	0 0
bearers FR Softwood	3 3	3-in. steel butts Pr. 4	10	Finishin		
Oak	5 10	6-in. barrel bolts No. 2	2	4-in. plaster lath, over 600 yds. YS		2 24
Oun	3 8	Cupboard locks No. 4	6	6-in, × 6-in. × ½-in. white	,	7
Shelving and fittings		Cylinder night latch No. 7	7	glazed wall tiles Y	S 1	8 3
4-in. shelving of 2-in. slats spaced 1-in. apart on bearers		Mortice latch No. 6	0	Measured rates		
(measured separately) FS	2 8	Mortice lock No. 7	7	Metal lathing		
Softwood	2 0	Casement fastener No.	10	No. 24 gauge expanded meta lathing and fixing Y	S	
a-in. solid shelving on bearers FS		To hardwood		To softwood soffin		6 11
Softwood	2 5	Add 33½% to above		To meta		7 9 4 3
Oak	4 11	STEEL & IRON WORKER		ZB BG steel angle bead to BS 1246, Figure 7, Profile C3		
2-in. shelf bearers plugged to wall FR		Market prices		plugged to brickwork or partitions	R	1 2
Softwood	8					-
Oak	1 4	Structural steel joist sections, basis sizes, ex mills T 792	6	Lime plaster Render float and set on brick	,	
Staircases					'S 4	7 7
I-in. treads and 2-in. risers		Extras for other than basis sizes vary between 10s. and 70s. per ton		Render, float and set on		2 4
tongued together on and including framed carriages FS Softwood	5 0	Measured rates		concrete including hacking	S	9 5 2 4
	3 10 14 10	Rolled steel joists in steel framed structures hoisted and		Render, float and set on expanded metal lathing	'S *	7 9
14-in. × 11-in. wall string	13 2	fixed complete T*1650 Rolled steel stanchions	0	Gypsum plaster		2 5
plugged to brickwork FR Softwood	4 10	including caps, bases, cleats, etc. T*1910	0	Render in cement-lime-sand		
Oak	3 9 12 7	Riveted compound girders	0	(I : I : 6) and set in gypsum plaster on brick walls and	, e	
		including plates and rivets T*1940	U	partitions	'S *	1 11
14-in. × 9-in. outer string FR Softwood	3 9 3 1 8 0	Metal windows including cutting and pinning lugs to brickwork and bedding frames in cement mortar No.		Render in gypsum fibred browning-sand (I : $\frac{1}{2}$) and		
Oak	7 2			set in gypsum on concrete soffits including bonding		
Ends of treads and risers		Domestic type 4 ft. high to BS 990		coat	'S *	9 9
housed to strings No. Softwood Oak	1 4½ 7 2		10	Render and set on expanded metal lathing including		
2½-in. × 3-in. moulded		Type NDIIF 6 ft. 61 in.	10	pricking up coat	rs •	9 3
handrail FR Softwood	3 4	wide *164		Lightweight plaster		
Oak	2 8 7 1 6 2	" Z" range, 4 ft. high Type ZND1 2 ft. 03 in. wide *64	8 2	Render and set in lightweigh plaster on brick walls and		
14-in. × 14-in. square		Type ZND4F 6 ft. 03 in. wide *166			rs	7 6
balusters FR Softwood	9	135	5	Sundries		
	61	Curtain walling grid with				
Oak	1 5	proportion of opening lights, supplied and fixed			R	5
Framed ends to balusters No.	7	excluding glazing and infill panels, approximate prices FS Galvanised steel 22		Make good plaster up to metal bead	R	2

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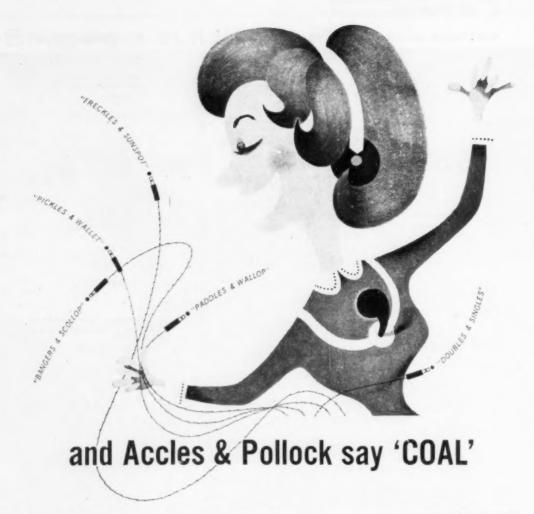
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LASTERER—continue	d	S	d	PLUMBER—continued s d PLUMBER—continued		\$	
aster board				Cast iron rainwater and Rainwater gutters and pipes soil goods			
in. gypsum plaster lath				Half round eaves gutter joint	ed		
ked to softwood soffits	VC			Medium weight pipe to and fixed to fascia with BS 416 and BS 460 in brackets:			
nished to receive plaster	12	2	9	BS 416 and BS 460 in brackets: 6 ft. lengths No.			
		_		3-in. *21 10½ Cast-iron, ½-in. F		_	
ypsum board finish settir oat on last	YS	*4	6	4-in. *27 11½ 4-ii	+	*3	
oat on last	13	1	2	Half round gutter in 6 ft. 6-in		=5	
in. gypsum wall board				lengths No.		3	
ked to vertical studding	YS		10	4-in. *10 9 6-in. *17 7½ Pressed steel, 18g. F	,		
id scrimining joines	13		2	The above are Standard-List 4-in		-3	
				prices plus $27\frac{1}{2}\%$		1	
all screeds				Lead pipe in quantities of		2	
in. cement and sand				5 cwt. to I ton C		-	
reed on brick walls to	vc			BS 602*109 0 Asbestos cement F		-2	
ceive tiling	YS	4	5	BS 1085*116 0 4-	n.	1	
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in face				gauge, in quantities of 500 to 999 ft. 100 FR		2	
n. Portland cement and				100 PK 100 PK 4-in. *103 6 Aluminium F	2		
nd (1:3) plain face				-in.*141 6 4-in			
welled smooth on brick		26		1-in.*180 6		2	
lls	12	*6	11	Steel tubes to BS 1387 Rainwater pipes jointed and			
				medium weight galvanised FR fixed to walls with pipe nails			
rolaan rendering				1-in. *1 11 Cast iron, 3-in.	R		
rolean rendering				1-in. *I $\frac{1}{2}$ Cast iron, $\frac{3}{16}$ -in. F $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. *I $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. *I $\frac{3}{2}$ -in.		6	
ender in cement, lime, sa				$1\frac{7}{2}$ -in. *1 $8\frac{1}{2}$		4	
: 1 : 6) and finishing wit ree coats patent coloure				The above are Standard List prices less 36%	١,	5	
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nd operated machine	YS *				R		
		2	8	Bend No. 3-i	3.	*4	
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				1½-in. *6 6		4	
oproximate prices for sp Limpet " asbestos on the	rayed			Tee No.			
llowing surfaces to the				½-in. °I I Asbestos cement	R		
ickness shown for				1-in. *1 6	1.	3 2	
antities of 1,000 yds. sup ormal pressed finish.	per.			1-in. *2 2 1½-in. *3 0	٦.	4	
ew concrete soffits and				1½-in. *4 4		3	
eams	YS -in.	14	5	The above are Standard List prices less $17\frac{1}{2}\%$, less $6\frac{1}{4}\%$ plus			
	in.	19	8	40% Aluminium	R		
	l-in.	21	9	3-1	٦.	5	
ew structural steelwork				Copper tubes to BS 659 FR	۸.	7	
	YS			3-in. *1 4		5	
	in.	16	6	1-in. *2 0½ 1½-in. *2 5½			
		23		The above are calculated on a Soil and ventilating pipes			
ctra over the above price				basis price of 2s. 2½d. per lb. plus diameter extras. Lead soil, waste and ventilat			
r coloured texture finish	YS	3	5	plus diameter extras. Lead soil, waste and ventilating pipes fixed to walls with			
				Measured rates lead tacks at the following			
all tiling				Milled sheet lead C yd. run) 3-in.	5 .	11	
in. × 6-in. × 4-in. glaze	d			Flat roofs*193 0		8	
all tiles set and jointed					9 1	16	
prepared screed Standard quality, w	YS hite *	44	0	24 SWG copper sheet FS		9	
Eggshell matt or gl				Flat roofs 5 9 Cast iron soil, waste and			
				Gutters and flashings 5 9 ventilating pipes with caulke joints fixed to walls with pip			
UMBER					R		
				Flat roofs 6 6 3-in. hear	У	*7	
arket prices				Gutters and flashings 6 6	y	+9	
eet lead, 3½ lb. and				14 gauge zinc FS		6	
wards, in quantities of twt. to I ton	C*I	106	9	Flat roofs 3 7 Gutters and flashings 3 7 Asbestos cement soil, waste			
			,	and ventilating pipes with			
opper sheeting, 23 gauge		220	0	20 SWG super purity socketed joints made in			
1-ton lots	C	UL	U	Flat roofs 5 4 caulked neat cement fixed to walls with holderbats	R		
inc sheeting, 14 gauge, in				Gutters and flashings 5 4		3	
ton lots	C	30	0	20 SWG commercial quality		5	
				20 SWG commercial quality Aluminium FS	H.	3	
luminium sheeting 20 SV	VG C			aluminium FS		198	
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Number of boilers	5 water tube
Method of firing	Chain grate stoker
Steam pressure	120 lbs. per sq. inch
Steam temperature	340°F.
Continuous max. rating	72,000 lb. per hour
Annual fuel consumption	20,000 tons of coal

PLUMBER—continued		s d	PLUMBER—continued	s d	PLUMBER—continu	ued	s	d
Lead pipe to BS 602			Polythene tubing to BS 1972		Copper tube			
Lead pipe at the following sizes and weights (lbs. per			Heavy gauge polythene tubing		Copper tube at the foll sizes and gauges	lowing		
yd. run). Supply pipe laid in trench (measured separately)	FR		Supply pipe laid in trench (measured separately) FR		Supply pipe, BS 1386, Interest (measured separate			
1/2-in.	7	3 8 2 8	½-in.	*1 7		FR 1-in. 18	1	11
<u>₹</u> -in.	11	5 5 4 2	3-in.	*2 0		3-in. 17	1	3
1-in.	16	7 8	I-in.	*2 6			2	1
1½-in.	28 *	6 2	3	2 1		l-in. 16	3	1
1½-in.	35 *	10 6	Supply or distributing pipe fixed to walls FR		1	i-in. 16	*5	5 2
14-111.		13 1	½-in.	*2 5	4	1-in. 15	*7 5	0
Supply pipe fixed to walls			3-in.	*2 11			2	2
and ceilings	FR 7	4 3	I-in.	*3 5	Supply or distributing BS 659, fixed to walls	pipe, FR		
	11	2 9 6 2		2 2		1-in. 19	2	0
		4 3	Calcaniand and subjects 95 130	7		3-in. 19	2	8
	16	8 5 6 3	Galvanised steel tubing to BS 138	/		I-in. 18	*3	8
1 4-in.		13 7 10 7	Galvanised steel tubing with screwed red lead joints.		1	1-in. 18	-4	5
1 ½-in.		17 10 13 2	Supply pipe, heavy weight,			‡-in. 18	-5	10
Distribution			laid in trench (measured			1	3	6
Distributing pipe fixed to walls and ceilings	FR		separately) FR ½-in.	=2 10	Extra for brass compre	ession		
½-in.	4	3 2	3-in.	*3 3	fittings, copper to cop	per		
<u>₹</u> -in.	5	3 8 2 1		1 0	Coupling	No.	5	4
I-in.	7	4 9	I-in.	1 5		⅓-in.	3	5
I 1-in.	9	2 11	1 1/4-in,	1 10		3-in.	6	8 2
1½-in.	12	3 9 7 3	1½-in.	*5 3 2 2		I-in.	9	4 2
1 2-111.	12	5 0		2 2		$1\frac{1}{4}$ -in.	11	8
Flushing and warning pipe			Supply or distributing pipe,			1½-in.	7	
fixed to softwood 3-in.	FR 4	*3 7	medium weight, fixed to walls				11	6
I-in.	5	1 6	1/2-in.	*2 10		No.	6	8
	6	1 10	<u>1</u> ~in.	*3 3			4 8	9
14-in.		2 4	I-in.	*3 5		å−in.	5	9
l ½-in.	7	2 8	11-in.	4 0		I-in.	8	9
Waste pipe fixed to			14-in.	*5 2		14-in.	14	11
softwood	FR 6	5 7	- 4	2 1		1 - in.	24	
		2 6	Extra for malleable iron		-	b1-	**	
1½-in.	7	2 11	fittings		Tee	No. ½-in.	9	
Joints to fittings	No.		Elbow No.	4 0		1-in.	6	4
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14	∮-in.	3 10	I-in.	*5 7				
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Bend	No.	** *	1 ½-in.	*10 4	smooth and painted	FR		-
	-in.	*3 1		7 2		1-in. 1-in.	4	4
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GLAZIER	S	d	PAINTER	s	d	PAINTER—continued	5	ó
Market prices			Market prices			On wood		
O.Q. sheet glass cut to size			Ceiling distemper C	30	0	Knot, prime, stop and apply		
FS 24 oz.	*1	0#	Washable distemper C*	130	0	one coat oil colour		
32 oz.	*1	71/2	General purpose priming			General surfaces YS Basis price	*4	2
4-in. polished plate and float glass, glazing quality in plates			Gal.	36	6	Add for each additional coat	1	8
not exceeding: FS 2 ft. super	4	14	Emulsion paint Gal.	45	0			10
5 ft. super 45 ft. super	5	01	Hard gloss paint: Gal. Undercoat	46	0	Margins of treads and risers	4	10
100 ft. super	6	9	Finishing			Basis price	1	8
la-in. white figured rolled and cathedral glass FS			Measured rates			Add for each additional coat		10
Group one	- [34 94	On walls and ceilings			Work not exceeding 3-in.		
Group two Group three	i	81	Twice whiten plastered			girth YR Basis price		7
4-in. Georgian polished wired glass FS	6	10	ceilings YS	1	3	Add for each additional coat		21
Attention is drawn to			Two coats distemper on					1
reduction in certain glass prices offered by manufac-			plastered walls or ceilings YS	*2	4	Work 3-in, to 6-in, girth		
turers for acceptance of specified minimum quantities			Two coats distemper on			Basis price		10 2½
of one size and substance delivered to one address at			fair-faced brick or concrete walls YS	*2	10	Add for each additional coat		4
one time				1	4	Stain and varnish		2
Measured rates			Two coats emulsion paint on walls or ceilings YS	2	11			
Glazing to wood			walls or ceilings YS	i	8	Prepare, size, stain and twice varnish on woodwork		
Glazing with putty in squares			Prepare, prime and apply one			General surfaces YS	14	7
PS 24 oz. O.Q. sheet glass	*1		coat oil colour on plastered walls YS				1	3
32 oz. O.Q. sheet glass	*2	2	Basis price	3	6	Work not exceeding 3-in.		71/2
a-in. rolled glass, group one	.1	9	Add for each additional coat	1	10			7 =
4-in. rough cast glass	*2	3				Work 3-in. to 6-in. girth YR		74
Prismatic glass	2	9	On metal					
1-in. wired glass	*2	6	Prepare, prime and apply one coat oil colour			Oiling and polishing		
4-in. Georgian polished wired glass	*9	0	General surfaces YS			Twice oiling hardwood with linseed oil		
4-in. polished plate glass			Basis price	*3	9	General surfaces YS	-2	8
(glazing quality) in squares 2 to 5 ft. super	7	0	Add for each additional coat	í		General surfaces	î	1
5 to 45 ft. super		7	Windows in conservation VC		10	Work not exceeding 3-in.		
Glazing to metal			Windows in squares YS Basis price	*5	3	girth YR		3
Add to above rates Id.			Add for each additional coat	2	2	Work 3-in. to 6-in. girth YR		41/2
per ft. super					5			1 1/2
Sundries			Bars, angles, etc., not exceeding 3-in. girth YR			Staining and wax polishing		
Hacking out broken sheet glass FS	1	3	Basis price		2	general surfaces of hardwood FS	- 1	1
Black ribbon velvet and			Add for each additional coat		3			
bedding to edge of glass FR		8	Small pipes YR			Staining bodying-in and fully French polishing on general		
Double glazing			Basis price	-	0	surfaces of hardwood FS	2	8
Insulight units of two skins of glass with lead spacers			Add for each additional coat		5 2	Papering		
and glazing with mastic or beads (supplied). In panels			Large pipes YR		-	Preparing and sizing walls		
10 to 25 ft. super FS 32 oz. sheet	10	11	Basis price	2		and hanging plain lining		-
1-in. polished plate			Add for each additional coat		10	paper Piece	3	
Patent glazing			Prenare prime and analy		3	Hanging wall paper, p.c. 10s.		
Patent glazing with 4-in.			Prepare, prime and apply one coat heat-resisting paint on			per piece Piece	12	
Georgian wired cast glass suitable for 8-ft. spans FS			heating surfaces of radiators YS			Hanging border, p.c. Is. per		
Rolled steel lead capped bars Aluminium alloy bars	*4	10	Basis price	*4	4	yd. YR	1	9
			Add for each additional coat		8			

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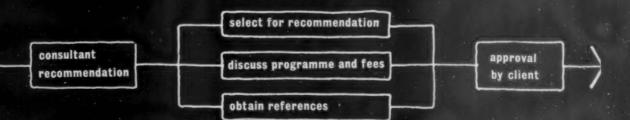
consultant recommendation

be able to cope with surveys, estimates, and structural calculations, services, and settlement of final accounts. To a sounder and more economical result After making your final selection, attempt to deal with these on a large than the one which you could give. recommend to the client the most suit- and the best people in all circumstances able to check the work, to be able to sonal knowledge of previous work they consultant throughout the contract, of a person whose opinion you respect. and to trust and act upon his advice. In

If your client suggests a consultant its simplest way you, as a person with a who may be unknown to you, satisfy

On minor works an architect should working knowledge of the subject, are yourself that he fulfils all the conditions employing on the client's behalf a man you look for in making recommendawhose specialist knowledge will produce tions of your own.

discuss the programme and work in contract is a mistake. The architect's In recommending consultants satisfy general with each, and make your job under these circumstances is to yourself that they are fully qualified, recommendations to the client with all the relevant information on the scale able consultant for the work, to be to do the work-preferably from per- of fees on which the consultants are prepared to carry out the work. Appointwork well and simultaneously with the have carried out, or the recommendation ment should be made as soon as these are approved by the client.



engineer appointment

Technically the client should appoint the engineer, but he may require you to do so on his behalf. When making the appointment confirm the terms by letter, including the basis for fees. The engineer's accounts should be submitted through your own office. A copy of the letter of appointment should be sent to the client for his records.

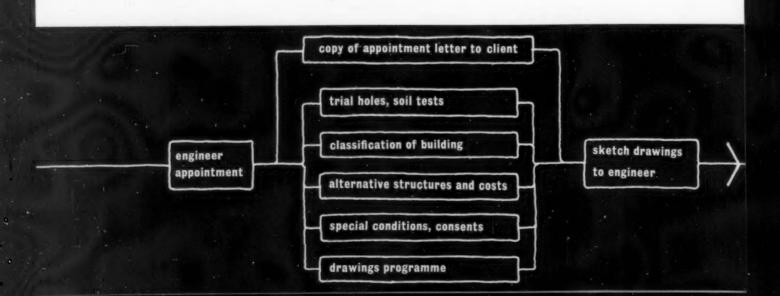
Arrange an early meeting with the engineer to discuss basic design proposals and include the following points:—

 Soil tests, position of trial holes on the site, and what arrangements should be made for boring these.

- Materials and general construction relative to the fire and loading classification of the building.
- Alternative types of structural system within the general conditions and their relationship with mechanical and other services.
- 4. Relative costs of alternative types of structural systems.
- 5. Any consents which the engineer should deal with including submission of calculations to local authorities, etc. 6. Deliveries of materials.
- 7. Any special plant, access to site, or site restrictions.

 His own programme for the work and liaison between his office and yours.

Arrangements should be made at this stage for an illustrated report prepared by the engineer covering these points, which will accompany the architect's report when submitting design proposals to the client. It should be borne in mind that where one system is being recommended by architect engineer as most suitable for design or structural reasons, whether lowest cost or not, the principles behind its selection should be made clear in the report.



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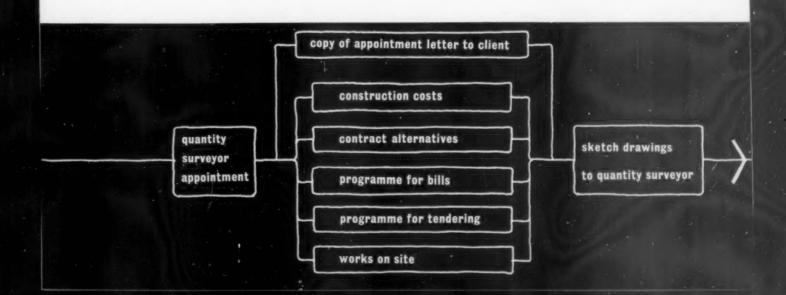
veyor, as with the appointment of the The quantity surveyor is appointed to consideration. act on the client's behalf in ultimately 3. The time the quantity surveyor will financial control.

Discuss a cost plan related to basic should take. design proposals and arrange for the 4. The date for submission of this proposals to the client. Your discus- of a negotiated contract. sion should cover the following:-

materials and labour costs.

- The appointment of the quantity sur- 2. The relative merits of different types 6. The method and period of measureof contract from a financial point of engineer, is made either directly by the view according to the character of work and the measurement of variations to client, or by you on the client's behalf. and construction methods under the contract.
- keeping the contract under accurate require for the preparation of his bills of quantities, and what form these
- quantity surveyor to submit a report document to contractors for competito accompany your report and design tive tender or an estimate as the basis ment due to contractors throughout
- 5. The time required for negotiation 1. Cost of comparative methods of either with the contractor or the construction in respect of the current client between submission of tender or estimate and placing of contract.

- ment for works as the contract proceeds
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- 8. The form and period for the issue of statements of interim account for paythe contract.
- 9. The form for the statement of final account to be agreed with the contractor on behalf of the client.



services consultants

Services consultants are necessary where the work is of a complex nature-do not let these overlap the technical service of normal sub-contract items in the building which will be organised within the structure as a matter of course.

early appointment of these consultants may be necessary as they will be required to advise generally on all items where specialist knowledge of the subject will have an effect on the ultimate shape and character of the building. They should also be available to advise on the relative costs of alternative methods of carrying out these parts of the work.

Many items will affect the structural systems under consideration and close liaison during discussions on the various alternatives should be maintained be-Depending upon the scope of the work, tween the services consultants and engineer in order that all ducts or components can be incorporated and form an integral part of the structural

> Such items as those listed below should be carefully considered in the light of your own knowledge and the importance of installations relative to your

client's requirements.

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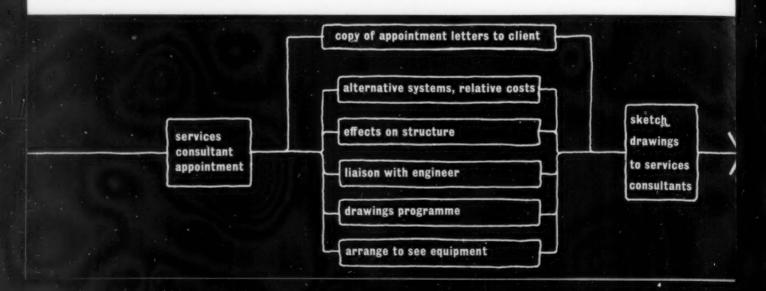
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Refuse disposal system.

Cash distribution system.

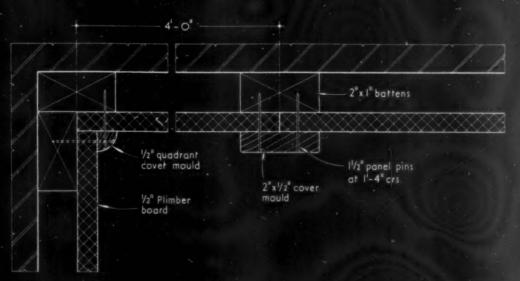
Other mechanical or specialist services.

If you feel that your client would be better served in any or all of these matters by an expert you must make the recommendation as part of your

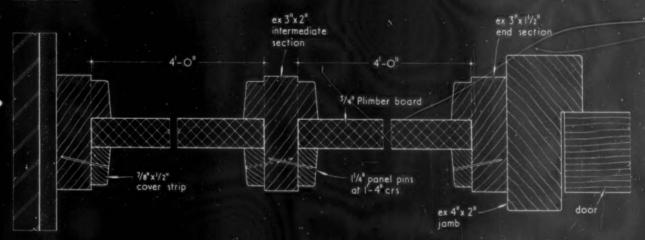


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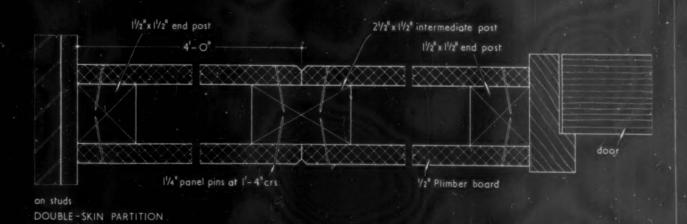
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15.C11 PLIMBER WOOD CHIPBOARD: WALL LINING AND PARTITIONING

This Sheet is one of a series on Plimber resin-bonded wood chipboard and deals with its use for lining and partitioning. Other Sheets in the series deal with its properties, its application for flooring, roofing and general joinery and also with decoration of the boards.

Material

Plimber wood chipboard is made by a three-layer process using softwood chips finely milled to a uniform size and bonded with urea formaldehyde synthetic resin. It is manufactured in accordance with the standards of quality required by B.S.2604: 1955. It has great strength and its rigidity commends it for lining and partitioning for which a light stud framework at 4 ft. 0 in. centres is all that is required. Plimber is a constructional rather than an insulating board: its insulating properties are similar to those of timber of the same density.

Sizes

The maximum size as manufactured is 16 ft. 0 in. by 4 ft. 0 in. but the standard size normally in stock with timber or builders' merchants is 8 ft. 0 in. by 4 ft. 0 in. It is available in ½-in. and ¾-in. thicknesses.

Weight and Density

The boards weigh 30 oz. and 45 oz. per sq. ft., respectively, for $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. and $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. thicknesses. Their density is 45 lb./cu. ft.

Fixing of Wall Lining

Vertical battens should be plugged to the wall at 4 ft. 0 in. to 4 ft. 1 in. centres depending on the type of cover strip to be used at the joints between boards. The drawing on the face of the Sheet shows a typical lining method using ½-in. Plimber and 2 in. by 1 in. battens, the Plimber being held by pinned timber cover strips with quadrant beads at the corners. Additional insulation can be provided if required by placing glass silk, rockwool or similar between the wall and the Plimber boards. The battens should be creosoted softwood and where there is a possibility of dampness it is recommended that the inner surface of the Plimber boards should be treated with bitu-

mastic paint, primer or any other waterproofing material.

Fixing of Partitioning

The only framing required is that necessary for holding the Plimber boards in position. The drawing on the centre face of the Sheet shows a partition of $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. board supported by 3 in. by 2 in. rebated vertical posts into which the boards are held by pinned beads. Standard door and glazing sections can be easily included in the partition.

The drawing on the lower face of the Sheet shows a double-skin partition for use where a higher degree of heat and sound insulation is required than that afforded by the single partition described above. The Plimber boards are supported by $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. by $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. vertical studs, to which they are pinned.

Finish

The face of plain Plimber boards should be primed and may then be decorated with any type of oil- or water-bound or emulsion paint: they should not be plastered.

Plimber boards can also be obtained veneered in oak, mahogany or any other wood required: they are supplied unpolished.

Further Information

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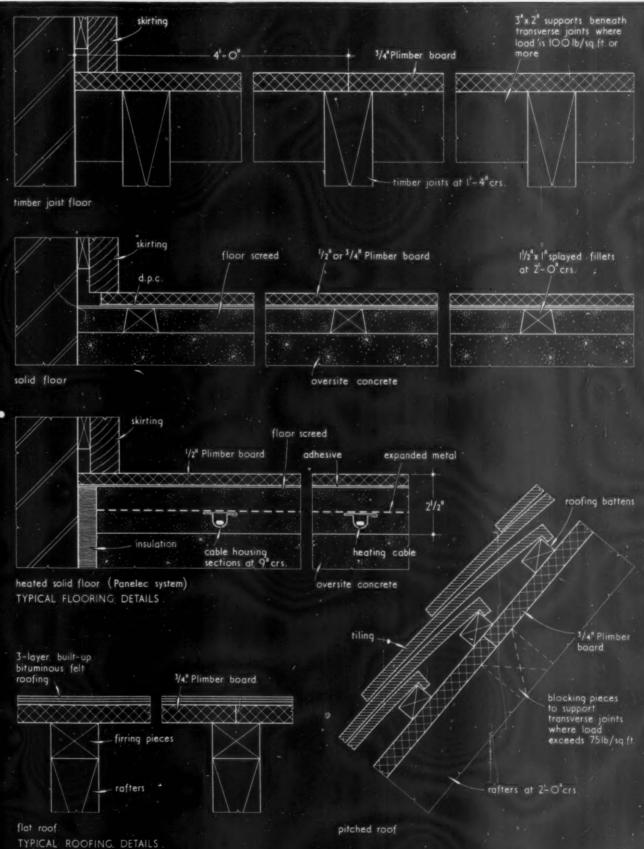
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15.C12 · PLIMBER· WOOD CHIPBOARD: APPLICATIONS IN FLOORING AND ROOFING

This Sheet is one of a series on Plimber resin-bonded wood chipboard and deals with its uses in flooring and roofing. Other Sheets in the series deal with its properties, its application for lining and partitioning and general joinery and also with decoration of the boards.

Floors

Plimber boards provide a hardwearing surface for industrial and domestic flooring. They can be used as a base for tiles, carpets, linoleum or any other type of floor covering, or they can be filled, sealed and waxed to provide a finished floor surface. They are rapidly laid with the minimum number of joints and are stable. The drawings on the face of the Sheet show applications as a floor finish to a timber joist floor, a solid floor and an electrically-heated solid floor. The following specifications should be used where appropriate.

where appropriate. Timber Joist Floors: Softwood joists to be laid at 1 ft. 4 in. centres to receive \(\frac{1}{2}\)-in. Plimber boards, with the 4 ft. 0 in dimension at right angles to the run of the joists. Where the distributed floor loading is 100 lb./sq. ft. or more the floor to be strengthened by spiking 3 in. by 2 in. minimum softwood noggings below all joints at right angles to the joists. Boards to be fixed with 2-in. cut clasp or lost-head nails at 1 ft. 0 in. minimum centres and not closer than \(\frac{1}{2}\) in. from the edge of the board. All edges to be butted flush before fixing. Access traps to services to be formed where required by cutting panel to size and fixing on softwood carcasing with brass cups and screws (alternatively, hinging and fitting with sunk handle can be specified).

Solid Floors: Lay to concrete floor at 2 ft. 0 in. centres creosoted splayed softwood fillets (plugs) 1\frac{1}{2}-in. wide and equal in thickness to, and set in, the finished floor screed. At ground floor levels the Plimber boards to be protected from rising damp by covering screed with a layer of bituminised felt or waterproof building paper, before laying boards. Use \frac{1}{2}-in. (\frac{1}{2}-in.) Plimber and fix with countersunk 1-in. (\frac{1}{2}-in.) No. 8 gauge screws at 2 ft. 0 in. centres.

Existing Boarded Floors: Where Plimber is used to cover worn boarded floors, the specification should read as follows:

Nail down all loose boards, punch in protruding nail heads and cover with \(\frac{1}{2}\)-in. Plimber boards fixed with \(\frac{1}{2}\)-in. panel pins at 1 ft. 0 in. centres (alternatively, "screwed with \(\frac{1}{2}\)-in. countersunk screws at 2 ft. 0 in. centres").

As an alternative to screwing to fillets or plugs, the Plimber can be secured direct to the concrete with the rivet-gun using $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. ($1\frac{1}{2}$ in.) rivets with medium (high) charges, rivets to be at 2 ft. 0 in. centres in each direction.

Heated Solid Floors: ½-in. Plimber is recommended for laying over a screed carrying an electric floor-heating system, whether it is solid-embedded or rewirable. It is essential that the boards be in perfect, uniform contact with the screed over the entire floor area therefore they should be laid with an adhesive similar to that used for laying wood blocks. Laying can be simplified by cutting the boards to 4-ft. or 2-ft. squares. The drawing on the face of the Sheet shows a typical rewirable system manufactured by Panelec Heating Division of British Insulated Callender's Cables, Limited, with Plimber boards providing a surface finish.

Finish and Maintenance: Where Plimber boards have been laid as a floor finish, they should be protected

from plaster, paints and foot traffic as far as possible. When all other trades have finished work, the surface should be sanded clean, as necessary, and filled before staining or clear-sealing as desired. The Plimber floor should be subsequently maintained with a resin-emulsion polish. When it has been properly sealed it can be mopped down, but scrubbing with soap and water is not advisable.

Roofs

Plimber boards can be used as a base for any type of roof covering that is suitable for application to softwood boarding on timber joists. It can also be used as a roof lining to exclude draughts and reduce heat losses. As Plimber can be obtained up to 16 ft. 0 in. by 4 ft. 0 in. in size it can be quickly laid with a minimum number of joints. The drawings on the face of the Sheet show its application to a flat roof, with built-up bituminous roofing, and a pitched roof finished with tiles.

Before and during construction care must be taken to ensure that the boards are protected from the rain and from the absorption of moisture from any other source. Where the roof design or site conditions are such that Plimber boards cannot be kept dry before or during construction, a \(\frac{1}{2}\)-in. gap should be allowed at all but joints between the boards. Assuming that the joists are laid at 2 ft. 0 in. centres and that the designed load capacity exceeds 75 lb./sq. ft., 3-in. by 2-in. minimum noggings must be spiked to the joists below all joints in the Plimber boards, at right angles to the joists.

The following clause should be inserted when specifying the laying of Plimber boards in roofing. \(\frac{1}{2}\)-in. Plimber boards to be laid direct to joists or to firring pieces, with 4-ft. dimension at right angles to run of joists, and fixed with 2-in. cut clasp or round-head nails at 1 ft. 6 in. centres and not closer than \(\frac{1}{2}\) in. from the edge of the board. All edges to be butted flush before fixing.

Finish: The finishes applied to Plimber boards in roofing should conform to the standard practice for softwood boarding. The following is a typical specification clause for finishing a roof with mineral-surfaced bituminous felt.

surfaced bituminous felt.

Cover all butt joints with scrim cloth or other approved material; thereafter supply and fix 3-layer built-up roofing. First layer to consist of 60 lb./24 sq. yd. self-finish bituminous felt securely sealed to roof deck with hot bitumen applied at 3 lb./sq. yd. Side joints overlapped 3 in. and end joints 6 in. Second layer as first, applied to first in similar manner. The third layer to consist of 80 lb./12 sq. yd. mineral-surfaced felt (colour green) applied to second, all as previously described. All layers to break joints. Allow for all welted drips at eaves and verge extremities in mineral-surfaced felt (colour green). All skirtings at vertical abutments in same material.

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PERGOLA: BEACH AT VOULIAGMENI, ATHENS

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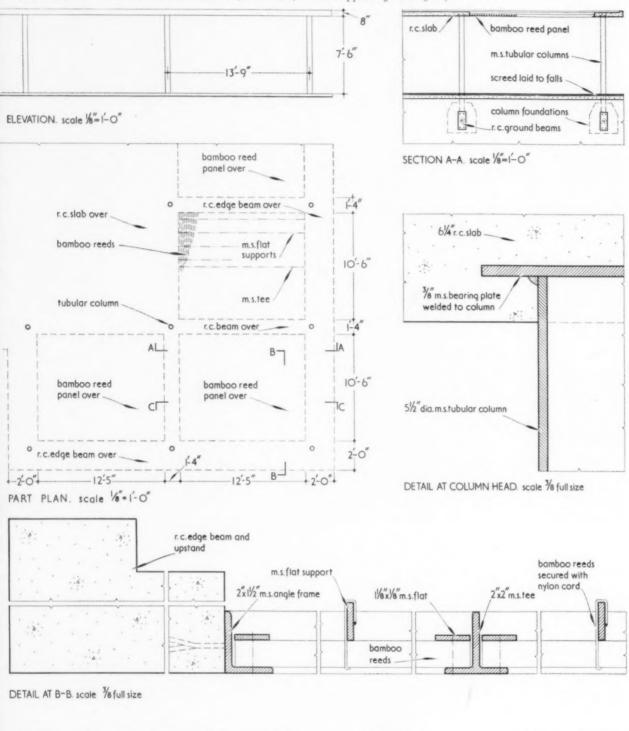
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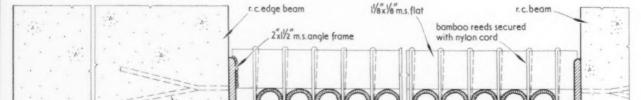
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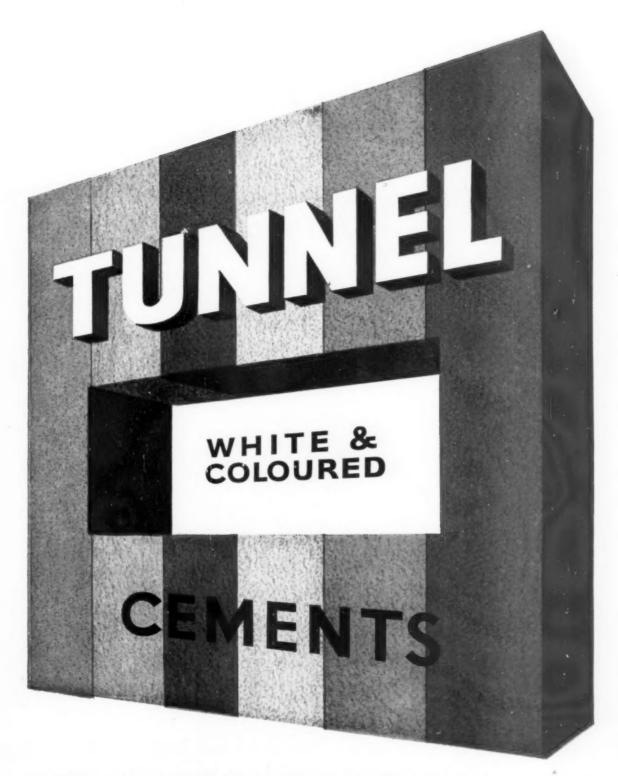


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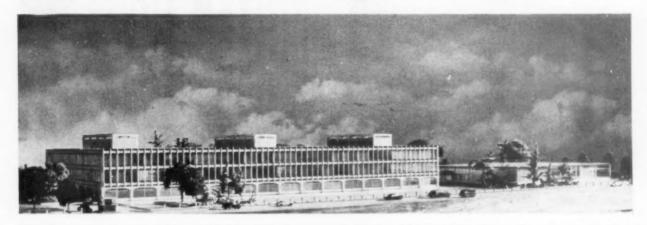
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a measure of personal preference in the different offices. A 5 ft. 3 in. planning module has been adopted throughout, with no internal columns, to facilitate the use of demountable partitions, which it is hoped will provide a suitably high standard of sound insulation. For sun control, vertical venetian blinds will be used. Considerable attention has been given to the siting and landscaping of the building. The layout will include a pool which will run the full length of the road frontage of the building immediately under the ground floor windows. The car park has been placed unobtrusivery at the rear of the site.

The building will have an area of about 110,000 sq. ft. at a cost of just over £10 per sq. ft., including roughly £2 per sq. ft. for the air conditioning. These figures do not include the single-storey refectory block on the right of the main building (below), which will be carried out at a later stage. The structural consultants are Bylander, Waddell & Partners, the quantity surveyors Oswald E. Parratt & Partners, and the landscape architect Philip Hicks.



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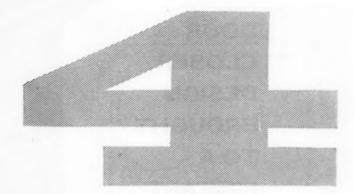
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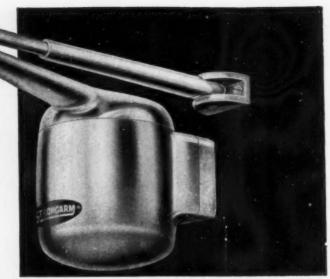
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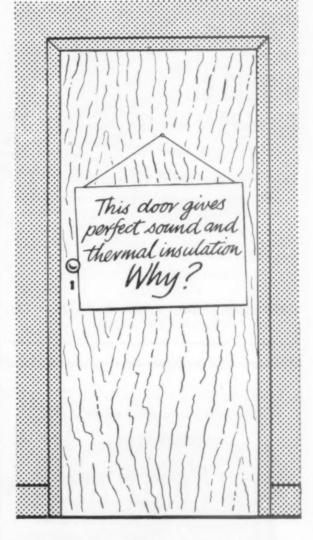
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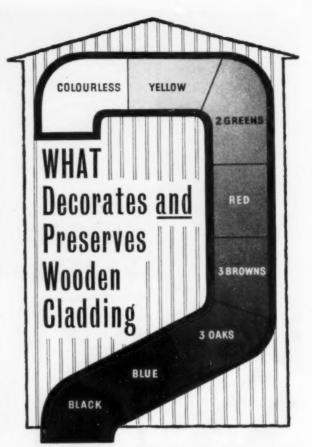


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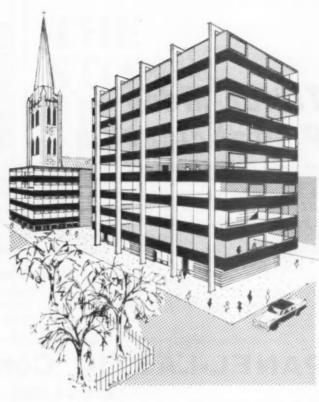
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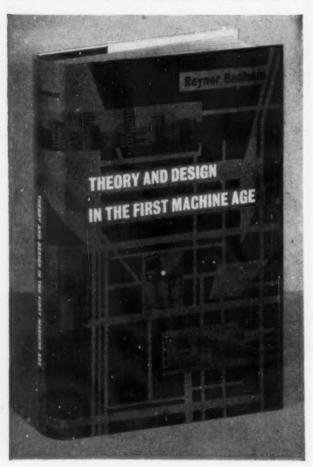
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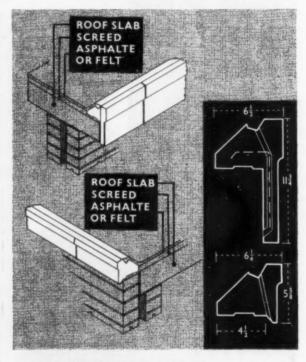
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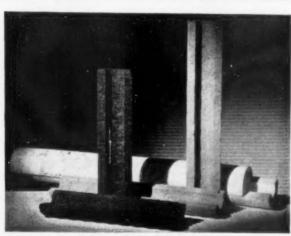


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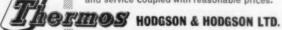




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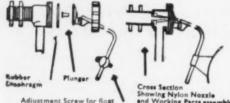


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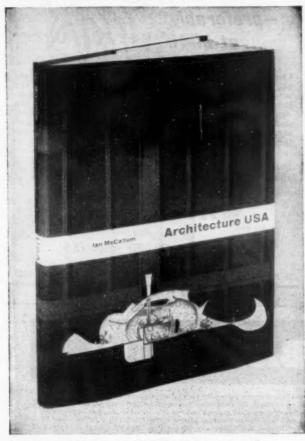
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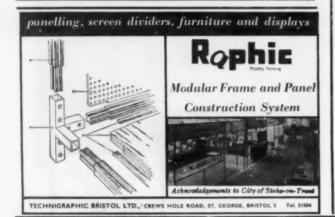
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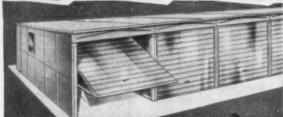
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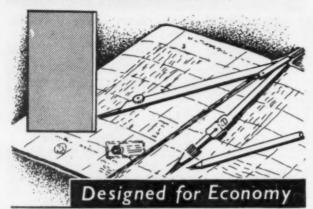
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TIEWSLEY AND WEST DRAYTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

APPOINTMENT OF
ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT
Applications are invited for the permanent appointment of an Architectural Assistant in the Engineer and Surveyor's Department at a salary within A.P.T. Grade III (1296—21,146) plus London weighting of £45 per annum. The commencing salary will be fixed according to qualifications and experience.

Applications should have passed the Intermediate Examination of the Royal Institute of British Architects and have had experience in the architectural work of a Local Authority. The appointment will be subject to the National Scheme of Conditions of Service and to the Local Government Superannuation Acts.

The use of a car is essential to the appointment and assistance in the provision of a car will be given for which an Essential User Allowance will be paid for a vehicle not exceeding 10 h.p.

Housing accommodation will be provided, if in the opinion or the Council it is necessary. Removal expenses will be reimbursed.

Applications, giving full partials and details of experience together with the names and addresses of two referees should be sent to the undersigned at the address given below not later than Thursday, 20th April, 1961, and must disclose whether the applicant is to his knowledge related to any member, or senior member, of the Council.

ARTHUR BOOTE, Clerk of the Council.

Drayton Hall, West Drayton, Middlesex.

Drayton Hall,
West Drayton,
Middlesex.
29th March. 1961.

BOROUGH OF HEYWOOD
APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL
APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL
APPLICATIONS are invited from persons who have passed the R.I.B.A. Intermediate Examination for the above-mentioned appointment in the department of the Borough Engineer and Surveyor, at a salary in accordance with A.P.T. Grade II (2815—2960) of the Scale of Salaries.
The appointment will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Acts. to the National Joint Council's Conditions of Service and to one month's notice in writing on either side.
The successful applicant will be required to pass a medical examination.
Consideration will be given to the provision of housing accommodation.
Applications endorsed "Architectural Assistant," stating age, qualifications and experience and accompanied by copies of two recent testimonials, should reach the undersigned not later than Thursday, 20th April, 1961.
Canvassing in any form will be a disqualification.

W. R. PARKER.

W. R. PARKER. Town Clerk.

Municipal Buildings,

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Heywood,
21st March, 1961
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CUCKPIELD, URPAN

London, S.W.I. 1692 CUCKFIELD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL PLANNING ASSISTANT, A.P.T. III Applications are invited for the post of Planning Assistant in the Surveyor's Department of the above Council at a salary in Grade A.P.T. III (2960—£1,140). Candidates should consider the salary of the council at a salary in Grade A.P.T. III (2960—£1,140).

above Council at a salary in Grade A.P.F. 111
(1896—1.140).
Candidates should possess the prescribed qualifications and should have had experience in planning procedure and building byelaw control.
The post offers excellent experience in a rapidly expanding district present population 20,000).
Assistance will be given with regard to housing.
The appointment will be subject to the National Conditions of Service, the Local Government Superannuation Acts, and to one month's notice on either side.
Applications must be sent to the undersigned with particulars of age, qualifications, experience, present salary and duties with the names of two referees not later than 12th April, 1961.

J. A. EVANS.
Clerk of the Council.

Council Offices. Oaklands. Haywards Heath. Sussex.

HAMPSHIRE

TOWN DEVELOPMENT AT BASINGSTOKE
Applications are invited for the following posts
concerned with the expansion of Basingstoke
under the Town Development Act, 1952, from its
present population of 25,000 to about 75,000 by
1975. The officers will be appointed to the staff
of the Hampshire County Council, but will work
under the direction of a Joint Committee of
representatives of the Basingstoke Borough
Council, the London County Council, and the
Hampshire County Council.
Candidates should hold appropriate professional
qualifications and have had extensive experience
of town expansion schemes. The posts are
pensionable, Separation allowance and assistance
with removal expenses will be paid in approved
cases, Salary of the Director will be fixed within
the range according to qualifications and experience.

1. DIRECTOR OF TOWN DEVELOPMENT. 2. CHIEF ARCHITECT/PLANNING OFFICER, 63.250

23.500—24.000.
2. CHIEF ARCHITECT/PLANNING OFFICER.
£3.250.
Applications, stating full details of age, education, qualifications and experience, and accompanied by a copy of one testimonial and the names of two referees, should reach the Clerk of the County Council, The Castle, Winchester, by 10th April.

DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT
Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons for the following appointments to the Headquarters Staff of the County Planning Department at Ruthin:—
(a) A S S I S T A N T COUNTY PLANNING OFFICER, J.N.C. Scale "C" (Salary £1.560—£1.325 per annum).
(b) SENIOR COUNTY PLANNING ASSISTANT (Development Control), A.P.T. Grades IV/V (Salary £1.140—£1.480 per annum).
Applicants for post (a) must be Corporate Members of the Town Planning Institute and an additional appropriate qualification is desirable. Considerable experience is required in all aspects of Development Control work and planning administration.

Por post (b), applicants should be Corporate Members of the Town Planning Institute or should possesse an alternative appropriate qualification and have had development control experience.

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Contribution made towards removal expenses and consideration given to the payment of subsistence allowances to married officers in the case of post (b).

Application forms and further particulars obtainable from me. Completed application forms to be returned by 22nd April, 1961.

Clerk of the County Council.

County Offices, Ruthin, Denbighshire.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF SOUTHPORT

COUNTY BOROUGH OF SOUTHPORT
Applications are invited for the undermentioned appointments in the Borough Architect and Town Planning Officer's Department:—
(a) ASSISTANT ARCHITECT, Grade A.P.T.
(b) TEMPORARY TOWN PLANNING ASSISTANT, ARCHITECT, Grade A.P.T.
(c) TEMPORARY TOWN PLANNING ASSISTANT, Grade A.P.T. III. Salary £960—£1,310. Applicants should be Registered Architects and or Associates R. I.B. A.
(b) TEMPORARY TOWN PLANNING ASSISTANT, Grade A.P.T. III. Salary £960—£1,2140. Applicants should be capable, with minimum supervision, of undertaking the first review of the Town Development Plan which includes: Land Use Survey of the Borough. Preparation of Maps and Tables. Revision of Writton Analysis and Written Statement.
(c) TEMPORARY TOWN PLANNING ASSISTANT, Grade A.P.T. I. Salary £645—£815. The successful applicant will be required to assist on the work of the Town Development Plan review, and should have a reasonable standard of draughtsmanship.

The Council will give favourable consideration to granting a 100 per cent. mortgage on house purchase.

NOTE: Successful applicants for Temporary

purchase. NQTE: Successful applicants for Temporary Posts (b) and (c) will be required for at least Application forms may be obtained from the Borough Architect and Town Planning Officer, 99/105 Lord Street. Closing date 22nd April. 6716

COUNTY BOROUGH OF DEWSBURY BOROUGH ARCHITECT AND BUILDING SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT Applications are invited for the following pointment within the scope of the grad-ated ... following

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Section), A.P.T. Grade IV (£1,140—£1,510 p.a.).
Applicants should be A.R.I.R.A.
The provision of housing accommodation will be considered if required.

The appointment will be subject to one month's notice on either side and to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Acts.
Applications stating age, education, qualifications full particulars of training and experience, together with copies of two recent testimonials, should be sent to the undersigned not later than Monday. 24th April, 1961, in envelopes endorsed "Appointment of Assistant Architect."

A. NORMAN JAMES,
Town Hall

Town Hall, Dewsbury. 27th March, 1961.

HAMBLEDON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF ASSISTANT ARCHITECT
Applications are invited for this appointment in the Department of the Engineer and Surveyor. Full particulars and conditions of appointment can be obtained from the undersigned. They include:

can be obtained from the undersigned. They include:

(a) Salary in accordance with Grade A.P.T. IV, £1,140—£1,310 per annum. Commencing salary up to the maximum of the grade having regard to qualifications and experience.

(b) An Essential User Car Allowance.

(c) Good house available if required.

(d) Reimbursement of 50 per cent. of approved removal expenses.

(e) Five-day working week.

The appointment offers good experience and interesting work in the initiation and carrying out of a new policy for all aspects of the Council's Housing Programme.

Closing date for applications 10 a.m. on Monday, the 17th April, 1961.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1961.

Council Offices.

Council Offices Bury Fields Guildford, Surrey 6729

Guildford,
Surrey.

NEWCASTLE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD
ARCHITECTURAL DEPARTMENT
P. H. KNIGHTON, M.B.E., A.R.I.B.A., Regional
H. GOUGH, F.R.I.C.S., Chief Quantity Surveyor.
QUANTITY SURVETING STAFF
The Board has decided to establish a Quantity
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Department and under the supervision of the
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The posts offer excellent opportunities for taking
part in a wide, varied and interesting field of
Hospital Building. Cost Planning will be carried
out within the Department, and will enable the
Quantity Surveyors to take an active and personal
part in implementing the Region's hospital expansion programme.
Applications are invited for the following
(superannuable) posts, for which a car mileage
allowance will be paid.
1. SENIOR ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYOR, Scale E1,300-E1,600.
Applicants must be Corporate Members of the
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, Assistance with removal expenses will be given if the
appointee is at present in a lower graded Health
Service Post.
2. QUANTITY SURVEYING ASSISTANT, Scale
£625—£900.
Applicants must have passed the Intermediate
Examination of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.
Increments can be given above the bottom of
the grade in accordance with age and relevant
practical experience.
Details of training, qualifications, experience,
present salary etc. with the names of three
referees, should reach the Secretary to the Board,
Benfield Road. Newcastle upon Tyne, 6, not later
than 14th April, 1951. Carvassing will disquality.

AMENDED ADVERTISEMENT
BOROUGH OF KIDDERMINSTER

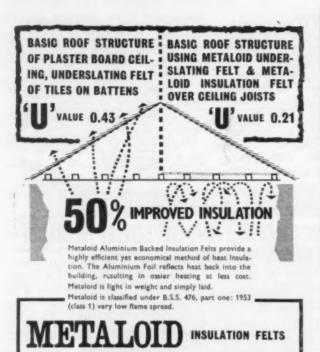
AMENDED ADVERTISEMENT
BOROUGH OF KIDDERMINSTER
ENGINEER AND SILEVEYOR'S
DEPARTMENT
Applications are invited for the undermentioned
permanent appointments:—
(1) SENIOR PLANNING ASSISTANT, Grade
A.P.T. V (E1,310—£1,480).
(2) ASSISTANT ENGINEER, Grade A.P.T. III
(4596—£1,140).

23 ASSINTANT ENGINEER, Grade A.P.T. III (1996—11.140)
Applicants for appointment (1) must be associate Members of the Town Planning Institute or hold an equivalent qualification. There is an interesting programme of town redevelopment in hand and applicants should have experience in this type of work and also in the consideration of interim planning applications. Applicants for appointment (2) should have passed part of the Final examination of the Institute of Municipal Engineers or equivalent and have a good experience in general engineering work the above appointments will be subject to the Local Government Superannuation Acts and the National Scheme of Conditions of Service. Applications, stating qualifications and experience accompanied by the names of two referees should be delivered to the Borough Engineer and Surveyor, Illo Mill Street, Kidderminster, not later than the 17th April, 1961. JOHN L. EVANS, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Kidderminster, 22nd March, 1961,

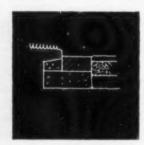
22nd March. 1961.

ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. Prison Commission, Head Office. S.W.I. require registered architects, men aged 25 or over, with good professional experience in housing, institution and general work. Duties concern design rather than execution of work. Five-day week. Four weeks and two days paid holidays plus paid public and privilege holidays. Some travelling. Salary £991 (at age 25)—21,490 including special London weighting allowance. Starting pay according to age and up to £1,318 (34 or over) on joining. Possibility of pensionable posts: promotion prospects. Forms from Ministry of Labour, Technical and Scientific Register (K). 26, King Street, London, S.W.I., quoting J264/OA. Closing date 24th April, 1961.



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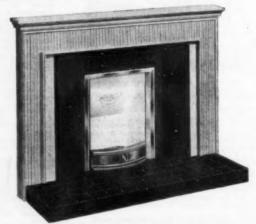
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ARCHITECTS

are required for the rapidly expanding Technical Division of a leading firm of Management and Industrial Consultants. The work involves industrial architecture and planning with the architect playing a leading and creative role as a member of the engineering and management team.

Responsibility from inception to final account, on projects throughout the U.K. and Europe. A knowledge of German, French or Italian would be useful. Head office and place of work is in a pleasant country house at Egham, Surrey, Age preferred 28-45. Associateship of the R.I.B.A. is desired but unqualified men of appropriate experience will be accepted. Commencing salary up to £1,700 per annum with early prospects of promotion to men of proved ability. In addition there is a generous non-contributory pension and life assurance scheme. Assistance with removal expenses may be given.

These posts are permanent and offer a most interesting and wide variety of work in collaboration with able and qualified men in the engineering and management sciences.

Applicants are invited to write in confidence to:

Reference QSA 22, Production Engineering Ltd., 12 Grosvenor Place, London, S.W.1.

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We have vacancies in the Architects' Department in LONDON and EPSOM for qualified men and those who have passed the Intermediate R.I.B.A. Examination.

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BOROUGH OF EDMONTON

BOROUGH ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT

ASSISTANT ARCHITECT'S

Applications are invited for the appointment of
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the relationship of design and construction of
buildings by Direct Labour. The programme
includes multi-storey flats, Town Centre redevelopment, industrial buildings and offices. The
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per cent. valuation to facilitate house purchase.
Salary Grade A.P.T. IV, £1,140 to £1,310 plus
London weighting.

Applications on forms obtainable from the Town
Clerk, Town Hall, Edmonton, N.9, must be
delivered by the 15th April, 1961.

PLANNING OFFICER

PLANNING OFFICER
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT OF HONG KONG
Duties: To prepare plans and conditions for
development schemes of all types. General Town
Planning duties and consideration of private and
public building proposals.
Qualifications: Candidates (men only, and
under 45) must be A.M.T.P.I. and have a minimum of one year's post qualification experience.
They should also preferably be A.M.I.C.E..
A.M.I.Mun.E., A.R.I.C.S or A.R.I.B.A.
Terms of appointment: Pensionable. Salary
range £1,550—£2,355. Free passages. Accommodation
at moderate rent. Generous home leave. Free
medical attendance. Write to Director of Recruitment. Colonial Office, London. S.W.I. giving full
names, age, qualifications and experience quoting
BCD.112/51/031/E2.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF STOCKPORT Applications invited for following appointments in Borough Architect's Department:— (1) SENIOR ARCHITECT, A.P.T. V, £1,310—

£1.490 D.a.
(2) ARCHITECT, A.P.T. IV, £1,140-£1,310 p.a.
A large and interesting programme of work is
in hand. Local Government experience not
essential-design ability is more important.
Applicants however must be members of the Applicants however must be members of successful and the successful an

(5) JUNIOR ASSISTANT ARCHITECT, A.F.T. 1, 2645—4815 p.a.

(4) ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYOR, A.P.T. III, 2935—21,140 p.a.

All above posts pensionable, subject to medical examination. The Corporation have a scheme for advancing in approved cases loans for house purchase up to 100 per cent. Five-day week. Full particulars, age, experience, qualifications, two referees, and if related to any member/senior officer of Council, to Borouch Architect, Town Hall, Stockport, by 15th April, 1961.

AUSTRALIA

TOWN PLANNING STAFF
N.S.W. DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL
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Applications are invited for:
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ASSISTANT TOWN PLANNERS
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(Uncertificated), £1,720—21,815.
(Uncertification of Engineers, the Royal Institute of Architects or the Institution of Surveyors and or Associate Membership of the Town Planning Institute, London.
Status and salary on appointment determined according to qualifications and previous experience. Certification as a Town Planner in New South Wales is contingent upon completion of qualifications under the Local Government Act. Permanent appointment available with superannation, sick and extended leave benefits.
Passage to New South Wales for successful applicants and family under 18 years of age.
For further particulars and application forms please write to the Agent General for New South Wales, 55. Strand, London, W.C.2, with whom four copies of applications (including a recent photograph of the applicant) should be lodged by 14th April, 1961.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF DUDLEY
BOROUGH ARCHITECTS DEPARTMENT
Vacancies exist for the following permanent
appointments in the Borough Architect's Department.
ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS AND ASSISTANT
QUANTITY SURVEYORS.
A.P.T. Grade V (£1,30-£1,480).
A.P.T. Grade V (£1,30-£1,480).
A.P.T. Grade IV (£1,40-£1,310).
Applicants for the above should be A.R.I.B.A.
A.R.I.C.S. or A.I.Q.S. as appropriate and will be
graded according to experience.
A.P.T. Grade II (£950-£1,140).
A.P.T.

The Council House, Dudley, Worcostershire. 27th March, 1961.

WESTERN REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

(SCOTLAND)

Applications are invited for the post of Chief Architect. Salary scale—12.500 = 1150 (4) to 23.400. The appointment is Superannuable and is subject to the appropriate Whitley Council Conditions of Service. The successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination.

The person appointed will be responsible to the Board for the architectural work in the Region. Candidates must be Registered Architects who have pased the requisite examinations.

Applications, giving age, details of professional training, qualifications, experience and past and present appointments, present salary and other relevant details, should be sent, not later than 30th April. 1961, to the Secretary. Western Regional Hospital Board (Scotland), 351 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow, C.2, from whom further information may be obtained.

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL

ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT
ARCHITECT'S AND BUILDING SURVEYORS
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Form and particulars from Materials

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Form and particulars from Hubert Bennett,
F.R.I.B.A., Architect to the Council, (EK/A/806/
3), County Hall, S.E.I.

WESSEX REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD
The following staff are required in the Architect's Department for the Board's expanding hospital building programme:

ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS

£905 × £35 (1) × £45 (6) × £50 (2)—£1,310.
Applicants must be Registered Architects. The work offers excellent opportunity for gaining experience in the whole field of hospital architecture and covers all stages from sketch plans for comprehensive new hospital projects.

Please apply to the Secretary. Highcroft, Romsey Road. Winchester, for application form which should be returned by the 15th April. 6747

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
APPOINTMENT OF
DEPUTY COUNTY ARCHITECT
Applications are invited for the above appointment as from 15th October, 1961, from suitably qualified architects.
Salary 42,806 × £100 (3)—23,106 per annum, plus allowance for use of car.
Applications to be made on forms obtainable from me and returnable by 8th May, 1961.

D. G. GILMAN,
Clerk of the County Councit.

County Offices, Matlock.

BOROUGH OF NEWCASTLE UNDER LYME REQUIRES

(a) ASSISTANT ARCHITECT, Grade A.P.T. IV. £1,140-£1,310 p.a.

(b) ARCHITECT RAL ASSISTANTS, A.P.T. III. 1V. £960-£1,310 p.a.

(c) ARCHITECT RAL ASSISTANTS, A.P.T. III. 2815-£950 p.a.

Qualifications for the posts must be as follows:

(a) A.R.I.B.A.; (b) Parts 1 and 2 of Final or Special Final; (c) Intermediate R.I.B.A.

Commencing salaries will be in accordance with experience and ability; a car altowance will be granted on the casual users scale for post (a) and the person appointed for post (c) will be allowed to attend a one-day-a-week school course leading to the Final examination.

The Department's programme includes housing, shops, offices and new schools.

Fayourable consideration will be given to the provision of housing accommodation in suitable cases.

Application forms and further particulars may

provision of housing accounts.

Application forms and further particulars may be obtained from the Borough Engineer & Surveyor, Lancaster Building, High Street, Newcastle, Staffs., and should be returned to him not later than Monday, 17th April, 1961.

C. J. MORTON,

Town Clerk.

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BOROUGH OF WEMBLEY
APPOINTMENT OF
SENIOR TOWN PLANNING ASSISTANT
Applications are invited from persons with
practical experience in Town Planning Adminis-

tration.

Salary A.P.T. III (£969—£1,140) or A.P.T. IV

(£1,140—£1,310) according to qualifications, plus
London weighting allowance. The higher grade
would apply to an applicant who has been admitted to corporate membership of one of the
Institutions appropriate to practising Town
Planners

Institutions appropriate Planners.
Form of application, returnable by 19th April, 1961, obtainable from Borough Engineer & Surveyor, Town Hall. Wembley, Middx.
Housing accommodation not provided.
N. CUMPSTY,
Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Wembley. 31st March, 1961.

CARLTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT Paplications are invited for the above appointment at a salary in accordance with Grade IV and V of the A.P.T. Division of the Scales of Salaries of the National Joint Council commencing at £1,140 per annum and rising by annual increments to £1,480 per annum, the point of entry to be determined having regard to the experience of the applicant.

Applicants must b Associates of the R.I.B.A. or Registered Architects.

The appointment will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Acts 1937 to 1953, the National Scheme of Conditions of Service and the satisfactory passing of a medical examination.

Applications stating age, qualifications and details of experience, together with the names of three referees should be forwarded to the undersigned by 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 26th April, 1961.

Housing accommodation will be made available if required and removal expenses will be paid by the Council.

A.E. F. WALKER, Clerk of the Council.

A. E. F. WALKER, Clerk of the Council.

Council House, Burton Road, Carlton, Nr. Nottingham. 24th March, 1961.

BOROUGH OF WESTON-SUPER-MARE
Applications are invited for this appointment
from suitably qualified persons with experience
in the design and maintenance of Public Buildings. J.N.C. Conditions, Salary Grade A.P.T. III
(2560-21,140). Superannuated. Housing accommodation provided if necessary. Removal expenses repaid over period of two years. Applications stating age. education, qualifications,
appointments held (with dates and salaries) and
two referees to Borough Engineer. Town Hall,
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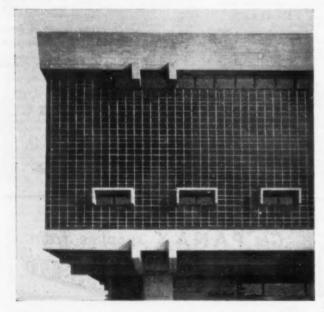
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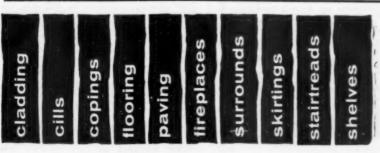
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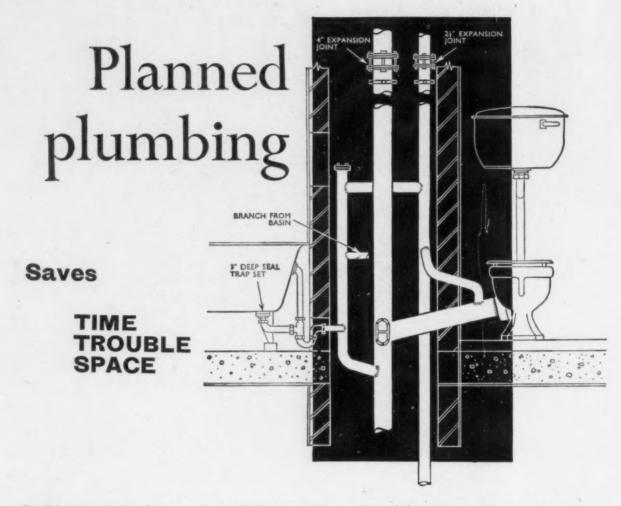
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