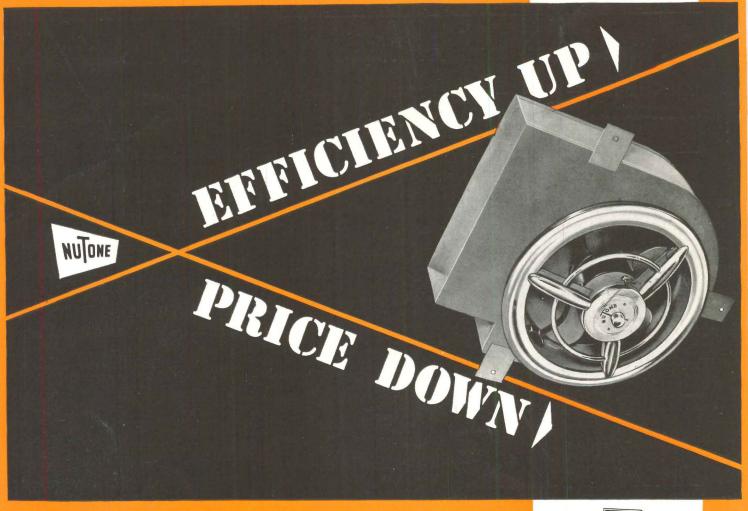
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THE BIG NEWS: SIGNS OF RELAXING CONTROLS; NPA SHIFT ACKNOWLEDGES EASIER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

Amended Regulation 6 Ups Steel Self-Certification Allowances; New Housing Regulation Revised after Strong Industry Protest; NPA Grants Materials for Completion of Most Deferred Projects, Permits 645 Religious, Community, Municipal Building Starts

The first cracks in the wall of government restrictions around building came last month, as the National Production Authority appeared to recognize mounting evidence from construction industry groups and basic metals producers that the supply situation is easing.

A big factor in what amounted to a reversal of very recent NPA thinking was the Administration decision announced a month earlier to "phase out" the defense program over a longer period than originally planned. The President's announcement that 1955, instead of 1954, would be the target date for equipment of 143 air wings was an important item.

Beginning of the End?

The news NPA had for members of its Construction Industry Advisory Committee at the second of two meetings called last month could be a forecast of the beginning of the end of controls.

These were the major announcements:

- 1. One provision of the newly-revised CMP Regulation 6 will more than double the amount of steel automatically permitted in the construction of small commercial, school and other non-industrial type buildings.
- 2. The new housing regulation will not include such restrictions, proposed earlier by NPA, as limitations on number of bathrooms and on maximum floor area. NPA said in effect that the only further restriction in the new order, to be administered by the Housing and Home Finance Agency, will be a cut of 25 lb in the amount of copper that may be self-authorized in one-family houses using copper water distribution systems.

Two specific actions by NPA also reflected a changed outlook: authority was granted to start 645 new "community" projects (such as churches, police stations, jails and homes for the aged) previously deferred; and materials were promised beginning with the second quarter for completion of nearly all commercial and industrial buildings

which had been halted by materials curbs.

More Steel the Key

These relaxations, officials said, were made possible by a growing supply of light structural steel. Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer said they were evidence that "we are approaching the points where our capacity to produce will permit us to reduce controls," but added it would be "childish" to consider doing away with all controls now.

Indications of the easing supply picture were turning up with increasing frequency in the field.

The American Institute of Steel Construction, national association for fabricators of structural steel, has warned that unless government allows construction to proceed soon, plant capacity for manufacture of structural steel will lie idle by early summer; and a spot survey of steel warehouses late in February indicated many have lately been selling steel cheaper than the price at the mill—normally as much as 40 per cent higher.

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At the Chamber's C.I.A.C. meeting: Ralph Walker, Council chairman, and Norman Schlossman of Chicago, A.I.A. second vice president; and (below) William Scheick, BRAB executive director; F. Stuart Fitzpatrick, manager of Chamber's Construction and Civic Development Department; and Public Buildings Service Commissioner W. E. Reynolds



A.J.A. PLANS FIRST NEW YORK CONVENTION SINCE 1925

The first New York convention in 27 years of the American Institute of Architects is being planned to take full advantage of all the fabled resources, architectural and otherwise, of the world's biggest and busiest city.

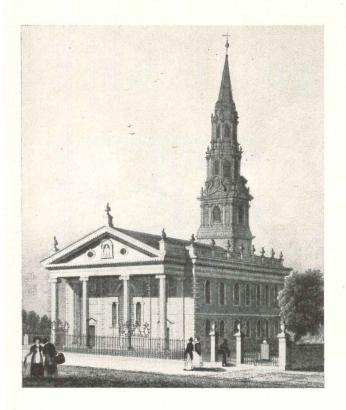
Headquarters for the convention, June 23–27, will be one of the world's most famous hotels, the Waldorf-Astoria. The Grand Ballroom there has a capacity of over 2000.

There will be boat tours, bus tours and exhibits galore; and the convention program has been "streamlined" to let architects cover the convention and still have time to enjoy New York.

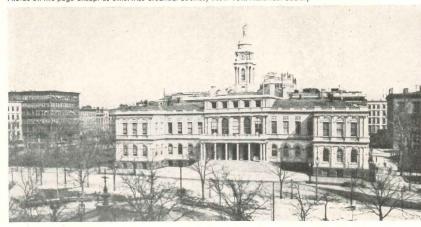
One of the special efforts of Conven-

tion Chairman Arthur Holden, F.A.I.A., and his committee is to make the convention the occasion of increasing public consciousness of architects and architecture. To this end they have enlisted the enthusiastic cooperation of museums, libraries and educational institutions throughout the five boroughs in planning exhibits and other special events during the period of the convention.

"The importance of the design of buildings in forming environments for human activity" is the theme of the program. Technical sessions will emphasize the structural resources of the architect.

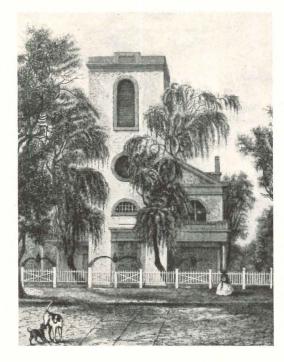


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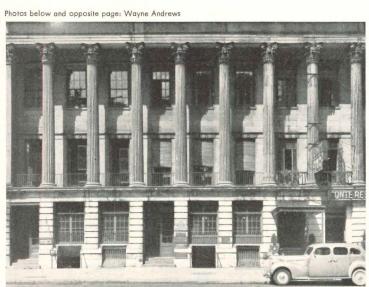


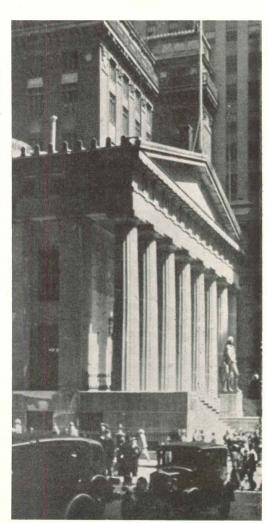
Above: New York's city hall, 1802–12, was designed by Mangin and McComb, who won competition which Latrobe and others entered

St. Paul's Chapel, above, built in 1764–66 as a chapel of original Trinity Church, was added to in 1794 by L'Enfant. St. Luke's Chapel, right, 1822, has been altered often but still retains original character. Colonnade Row, below, designed by A. J. Davis and built in 1 32, originally included eight houses, many of which have been demolished



The former Sub-Treasury Building, now the Federal Hall Museum, was completed in 1842, remodeled 1862. It stands on the site where Washington was inaugurated President





Richard Upjohn's famed Trinity Church, 1839–46, still imposing amid skyscrapers which now surround it, greatly influenced American church design

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIANS' MEETING FEATURES TOUR OF HISTORIC NEW YORK BUILDINGS

HIGHLIGHTING the recent meeting in New York of the Society of Architectural Historians was a tour of historic New York buildings which was arranged and guided by Talbot Hamlin. The Historians' tour was substantially the same as the tour which Professor Hamlin may conduct for the annual meeting of the American Institute of Architects in New York, June 23–27, and architects planning to attend the sessions are afforded on these pages a preview of some of the outstanding buildings they may expect to see this summer.

The tour for the historians culminated a tightly-packed and highly successful three-day meeting which also featured special exhibitions at the Avery Library, the Morgan Library, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the New York Historical Society and the Architectural League.

Most of the papers presented at the meeting centered on various aspects of New York architecture. Chairmen for the sessions were Prof. James G. Van Derpool, Ralph Walker, Dr. Emerson H. Swift, Charles E. Peterson (retiring president of the Society) and Lydia Bond Powel.

Dr. Anthony N. B. Garvan of the University of Pennsylvania was presented with the Society's annual award for the book voted the outstanding contribution to architectural history by an American for the year. Dr. Garvan's book was "Architecture and Town Planning in Colonial Connecticut," published by Yale University Press. Honorable mention was accorded Samuel Wilson, Jr. for his editing of "Impressions Respecting New Orleans, by Benjamin Henry Boneval Latrobe, Diary and Sketches 1818–1820," published by Columbia University Press.

Officers for 1952 elected by the Society are: Henry-Russell Hitchcock, president; Mrs. John M. Gilchrist, vice president; John D. Forbes, secretary; and Miss Barbara Wriston, treasurer. Directors are Kenneth J. Conant, James G. Van Derpool, Frederick Gutheim, Richard H. Howland, Paul Norton, Charles E. Peterson and Clarence Ward.

The Society, which is the only organization of its kind in the world, is dedicated to the study of building "as a social art" and to the appreciation and preservation of noteworthy historic buildings. Although it was founded by and is composed principally of specialists in the field, membership is open to all persons interested in the aims and purposes of the Society.

The versatility of nineteenth century American building is illustrated by these two familiar landmarks, both of which were built in 1885. Villard Mansion, left, is by McKim, Mead and White. De Vinne Press Building is by Babb, Cook and Willard







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Some of the A.H.A. "faculty": Standing: Rueben Graham, North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc., Winston-Salem, N. C.; Lester Richwagen, Mary Fletcher Hospital, Burlington, Vt.; Robert W. Cutler, A.I.A., Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, New York; Marshall Shaffer, chief architect, Division of Hospital Facilities, USPHS; Roy Hudenburg, American Hospital Association, Chicago (Institute coordinator). Seated: George Ivanick, USPHS; Slocum Kingsbury, A.I.A., Faulkner, Kingsbury & Stenhouse, Washington; Henry W. Shepley, A.I.A., Coolidge, Shepley, Bulfinch & Abbott, Boston; Addison Erdmann, A.I.A., New York; Jacque Norman, hospital consultant, Greenville, N. C.; Howard Post, food service consultant, N.Y.C.

WRITING ARCHITECTURAL PROGRAMS FOR HOSPITALS CONSIDERED AT FIVE-DAY INSTITUTE IN NEW YORK

NEARLY 100 ARCHITECTS, hospital men and educators spent five hardworking days at the American Hospital Association's Institute on Development of Hospital Plans, held at the Park Sheraton Hotel in New York February 11–15.

Besides the floor discussions following speeches on various aspects of hospital planning, the Institute featured special group participation sessions. They gave those attending an opportunity to take part in discussions of specific problems.

The sessions were programmed to emphasize development of architectural programs to fit various sets of requirements; and the aim was to provide guidance on writing the program.

Architect members of the "faculty," besides those pictured above, included Aaron W. Kiff, A.I.A., and James J. Souder, A.I.A., both of York and Sawyer, New York.



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At the Boston Institute of Art's recent symposium "The Future of Design," held in connection with the Institute's Gropius exhibit, four of the panel speakers: Serge Chermayeff, former head of the Chicago School of Design; Dean Pietro Belluschi of M.I.T.; Walter Gropius of Harvard; Gyorgy Kepes of M.I.T.

BIG NEWS (Cont. from p. 11)

Prime aluminum product manufacturers, who kept pointing out that within the next year aluminum production capacity will be nine times the pre-World War II level, were reported to disagree violently with the government claim of a continuing aluminum shortage and to feel present supply warrants an immediate increase in allotments.

A decline in metals prices abroad also seemed to point to better supplies; and there were reports of the return of a "buyer's market" already in some lines of builders' hardware.

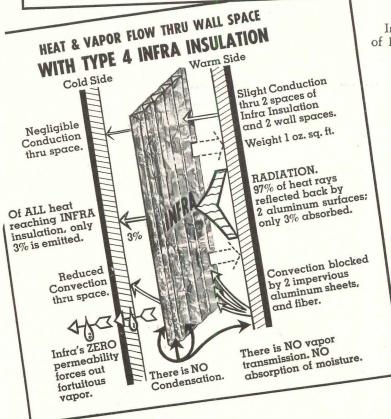
Industry Registers Protest

All these points were stressed by architects, builders and producers at the two big meetings early last month.

The first of the month's two sessions of the NPA Industry Advisory Committee presented some of the evidence, together with sharp protests and recommendations, apparently with effect.

The day after that meeting came the big all-industry round-table sponsored by the Construction Industry Advisory Council of the Construction and Civic Development Department of the Chamber of Commerce. Here, too, the industry was presenting the case for a "realistic" government construction policy; and heard discussion of the long-range prospects for construction — "better than those of most any other industry," said Norman P. Mason.

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But preponderantly, it is radiation which wall, ceiling and floor surfaces inside a room absorb. These rays are transformed to heat which then passes through the wall by direct conduction, as does heat acquired by the wall by conduction and convection. The entire process is repeated, radiant flow preponderant, inside the wall *space* in the direction of the inner surface of the colder outer wall. The total

the inner surface of the colder outer wall. The total heat which is caused by absorption of radiation mingling with the convected heat which has been absorbed by conduction, flows through the outer wall by conduction. It is finally dissipated in the colder, ambient air outside mostly by radiation but also by convection.

Heat Flow Reversed in Summer

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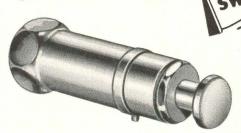
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GOLD MEDAL WINNER

The El Panama Hotel (photo at right), Panama City, won the Gold Medal in Architecture for Edward L. Stone, Architect, in the 55th annual edition of the series of exhibitions held by the Architectural League of New York. The hotel was done in association with Carl J. Holzinger of New York and Mendez & Sanders, architects, of Panama. Architect Robert F. Smith of Miami won honorable mention for his Biscayne Cabana Colony at Miami. All the works accepted for the competitive Gold Medal exhibition were on view at the League



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U. S. BRICK PRODUCTION IS 60 PER CENT MODULAR

Approximately 60 per cent of national production of brick is now in modular sizes, according to a report given at the first 1952 meeting of the Executive Committee of the American Standards Association Project A62.

A resume of the session by William Demarest Jr., secretary for modular coordination of the American Institute of Architects, notes that the meeting recognized that the building program under the Wherry Act — which favors modular planning — should offer an opportunity to encourage many architects to convert without delay to the use of modular methods.

It was announced that a new A62 study committee is working on a modular standard to cover natural stones for exterior application.

Mr. Demarest attaches the greatest importance to the work of the window-study committees. In spite of several years' effort, he points out, the building industry still has no modular American Standard governing window sizes. He reports that the architects' committee will soon be called by the wood and metal window committee for a determined joint effort to resolve the remaining discrepancies.

A report from the Housing and Home Finance Agency reviewed its current projects in the modular coordination field:

- 1. Fundamental research at the Illinois Institute of Technology analyzing structural systems and design problems.
- Preparation of a set of slides for distribution to schools of architecture

for use in teaching modular drafting.

- 3. Preparation of material to assist in coaching builders in efficient use of modular drawings.
- 4. Demonstration modular house projects being conducted by New York University, the University of Illinois and Southwest Research Institute.

JANUARY BUILDING BELOW '51 MONTH BY 14 PER CENT

Construction contracts awarded in the 37 states east of the Rockies were off 14 per cent in January 1952 compared with the first month of last year, F. W. Dodge Corporation reports.

Total for the month this year was \$902,091,000, against \$1,043,248,000 in January 1951.

Residential contracts of \$337,721,000 were down 20 per cent from the previous January; nonresidential awards for the first month of this year totaled \$357,676,000, or 22 per cent less than the \$461,016,000 total for January a year ago.

Public and private works and utilities totaled \$206,694,000 — a gain of 28 per cent over the figure for January 1951.



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TAX BILLS WOULD HELP ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS

There are at least three bills before Congress proposing to amend the Internal Revenue Act so that self-employed persons, including architects and engineers, might set aside a certain amount of income for old-age assistance. This money would be tax-free in the year earned.

Prospects for these amendments are not considered bright. Sponsors said they had hopes the House Ways and Means Committee would consider the proposals as soon as the unit had a meeting on the subject of tax exemptions. More than a month after Congress convened, no meetings of the full Committee had been scheduled. The Senate Finance Committee, which handles tax measures, could not act until House-enacted bills were received. There was no indication of any early consideration of tax matters in either House.

Proponents of the plan to exempt a certain portion of the income of self-employed persons from taxation for federal purposes in the year in which it was earned included Sen. Irving M. Ives (R-N.Y.) and Rep. Daniel A. Reed (R-N.Y.) and Eugene J. Keogh (D-N.Y.). The Keogh-Reed bills were identical, both much like the Ives measure.

The Ives version would:

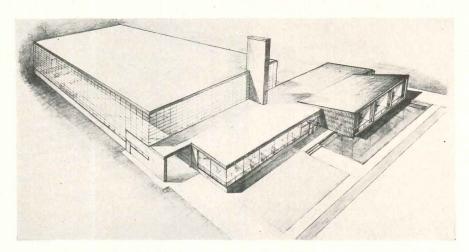
a) Permit the individual taxpayer to exclude up to 10 per cent of his annual income, or \$7500, whichever is lesser, from the amount of his income which is subject to federal income tax.

b) Require the taxpayer to pay the amount so excluded into a special pension or retirement fund sponsored by a bona fide agricultural, labor, business, industrial or professional organization for the exclusive benefit of its members.

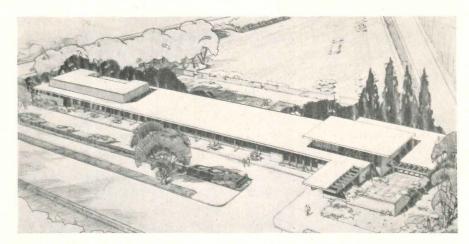
c) Provides that funds cannot be refunded till the taxpayer reaches the age of 60 and then only in specified ways—lump sum, to be taxed as long-term capital gain; 15 annual installments, each subject to annual federal income tax; by purchase of a single premium non-commutable life annuity with benefits subject to income tax as received.

d) Authorizes taxpayer to designate one or more beneficiaries to receive his accumulated funds on his death.

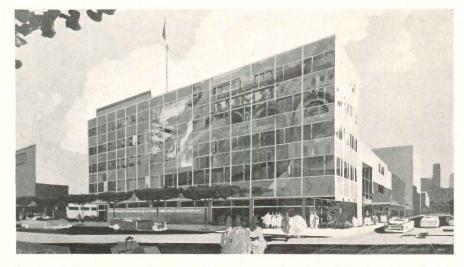
The Senate Finance group gave some consideration to the Ives measure last year, but deferred any formal action, referring it without prejudice to the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation for further study. Sen. Walter F. George of Georgia is chairman.



Factory-office building for Charles Grotnes Machine Works, Inc., Chicago, has been designed by Barancik-Conte Associates, Architects, as one-story structure of glass and face brick. Machine shop has steel sash and glass walls 21 ft high above 3-ft brick wall. Executive office wing is cantilevered out over a sunken garden



Architects Pereira & Luckman are building their new headquarters on a two-acre site at the western tip of Sunset Boulevard in Los Angeles. The building, of concrete, frame and glass, will have a total area of 20,000 sq ft. Facilities include space laboratory with floor scored off in modules to help clients visualize room sizes



Welton Becket and Associates, Architects, have designed an ''all glass'' building for Standard Federal Savings and Loan Association in Los Angeles. Continuous bands of wide sealed windows will alternate with opaque gray-blue glass spandrels; framing will be aluminum. Windows will have vertical louvered blinds on inside

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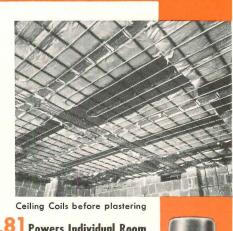
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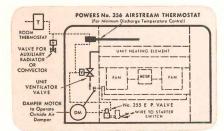
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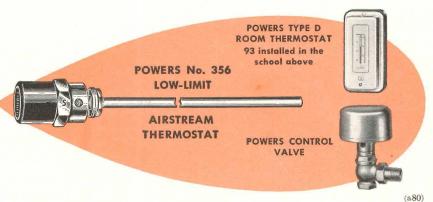
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HOUSING CHANGES SEEN BY BUILDERS; BROCKBANK ELECTED TO HEAD N.A.H.B.

Architects and Builders Cited in Two Sets of Awards

Ten changes in builder-built houses are predicted by Alan E. Brockbank, who was recently elected president of the National Association of Home Builders at the group's Chicago convention.

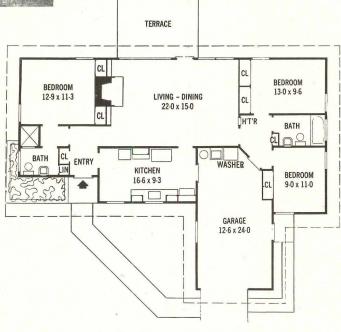
While experienced residential architects found none of the changes new, they were pleased to note intimations of open-mindedness on the part of builders towards the following:

- 1. Non-bearing interior walls which allow use of movable interior partitions. In some cases, interior walls to be floor-to-ceiling storage wall units or floor-to-ceiling bookcases.
- 2. Increased use of dual winter heating and summer air conditioning units. A limited supply of such equipment is now being produced, Brockbank said, at a price which allows its use in homes costing as low as \$12,000 in some areas.
- 3. Floor plans designed for easy expansion. In many cases, expansion to a third bedroom through a closet: after expansion, the closet becomes a hall. Pre-planning to eliminate ill-planned third bedrooms cutting off views and ventilation.
- 4. Rising popularity of recessed and indirect lighting and supplementary floor lamp lighting.
- 5. Rising popularity of furniture designed and built for use in contemporary-styled home.
- 6. Increased use of simplified roofs. More living room ceilings which follow the contour of the roof.
- 7. Increased use of many electric appliances including garbage disposal, dish

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brought the National Merit Award in Parents' Magazine's second annual builders' competition 'Best Homes for Family Living' to Builder Jere Strizek of Sacramento. Awards were presented at the N.A.H.B. convention in Chicago. Mr. Strizek has erected more than 100 similar houses in his Town and Country development just outside Sacramento

A \$9500 house designed by Architect John W. Davis of Sacramento, Cal., for his own family



BUILDING CODES GROUP RELEASES FIRST RESULTS

The first major results of three years of work toward greater uniformity of building codes in the United States have been released by the Joint Committee on the Unification of Building Codes.

Four sections of technical material on definitions, use and occupancy classifications, construction classifications and design loads can be obtained upon request to Building Commissioner A. H. Baum, 426 City Hall, St. Louis, Mo., who is chairman of the Joint Committee.

At its next meeting, May 16–17 in Detroit, the Committee will consider adding additional building code provisions covering means of egress, structural steel and iron, lathing and plastering, prefabricated construction, precautions during building construction and use of public property.

With a view to extending uniformity

of building codes throughout the United States and Canada, the work of the joint Committee is being studied by the Associate Committee on the National Building Code of the National Research Council of Canada.

CODE OFFICIALS SESSION SUGGESTS BRAB PROJECT

The Need for an approved list of testing laboratories became the major topic of discussion at the Washington meeting of building code officials, inspectors and manufacturers' representatives sponsored last month by Southwest Research Institute.

Certification of testing laboratories was suggested as a useful new project for the Building Research Advisory Board, with an initial conference of code group representatives called by BRAB to discuss ways of raising funds to pay for it. The BRAB board will be asked to consider the project.

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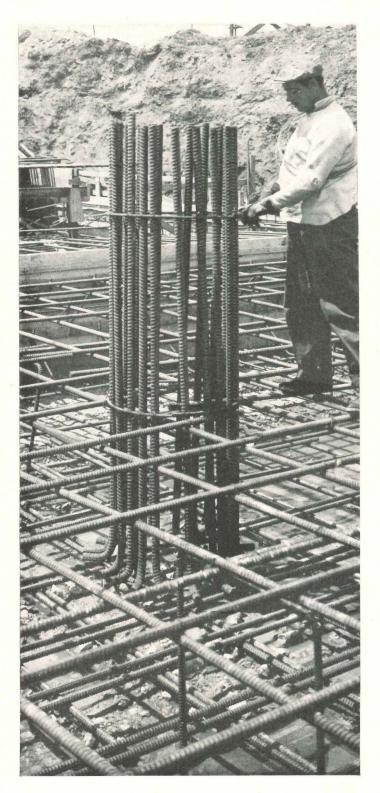
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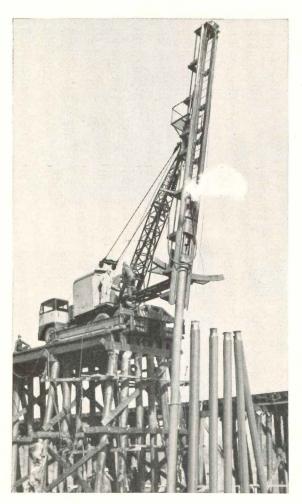


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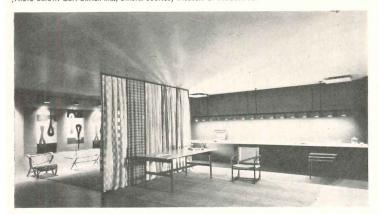
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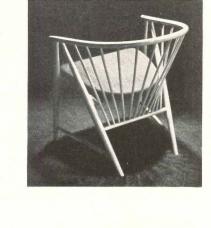


Left: One view of Paul Rudolph's installation for Good Design 1952. Right: side chair of wood with cellophane seat, designed by Italian Architect Gio Ponti, manufactured by M. Singer & Sons





Below: three new versions of the Eames chair; Charles Eames, designer; Herman Miller, manufacturer. Left: basket chair designed and manufactured by Dan Johnson. Right: "Sunfan" chair; designer, Sonna Rosen; manufacturer, Swedish Modern





Coffee table designed by Finn Juhl, manufactured by Baker Furniture Company





Nest of tables designed by Bertha Shaefer; M. Singer & Sons, manufacturer

GOOD DESIGN 1952: PAUL RUDOLPH'S INSTALLATION GETS RAVES

A YOUNG ARCHITECT stole the show as the Chicago opening in January of Good Design 1952 marked the start of the third year of the project sponsored jointly by the Museum of Modern Art in New York and the Merchandise Mart in Chicago.

Paul Rudolph's installation, done just before he returned to active service in the Navy, was described by *The New York Times* as "breathtakingly spectacular" and the phrase seemed hardly too strong to describe most reactions.

Mr. Rudolph used opaque and translucent screen walls of a variety of materials to break up the space, and varying intensities of lighting for restful and highly dramatic contrast.

Nearly 250 new items were displayed in the show, which for the first time also included selections held over from last June's exhibit. Till now the whole exhibition has been new in January.

Objects in the exhibit span a wide range of styles and materials as well as uses — though Exhibit Director Edgar Kaufman Jr. himself expressed disappointment at the small number of exhibits in the appliance field.

Mr. Kaufman noted that restrictions or fear of restrictions in some metals and plastics probably tends to reduce the number of new models. But he added: "It seemed unfortunate to the Selection Committee that a number of new models have a tendency to ornate

gadgetry rather than straightforward design."

The more "sculptural" approach to design of contemporary furniture which has been notable in a number of lines introduced recently was represented in several of the selections; and taken all together, "modern" design as represented in the exhibit has a somewhat less austere aspect than it has sometimes worn.

At the same time, there are pieces in the exhibit that would not have shocked many people at a furniture exhibit of 50 years ago. These, presumably, are a soft answer to the hard question about "mixing" contemporary designs with traditional furnishings.



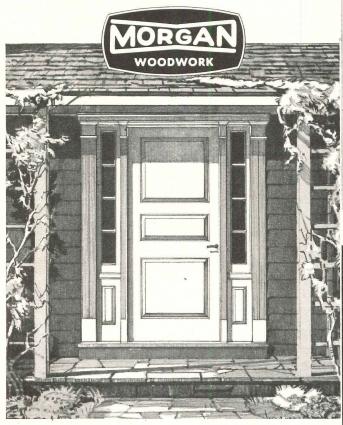
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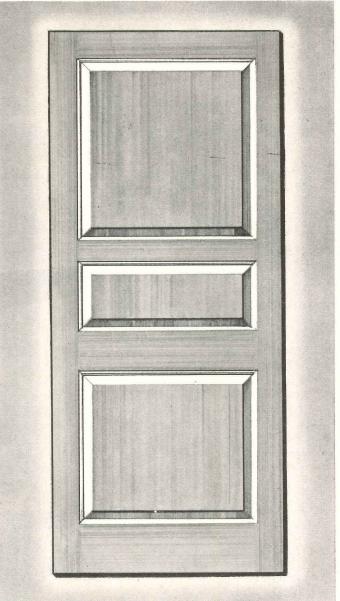


Above: Tri-Panel Exterior Door M-117 in Morgan M-14 Entrance

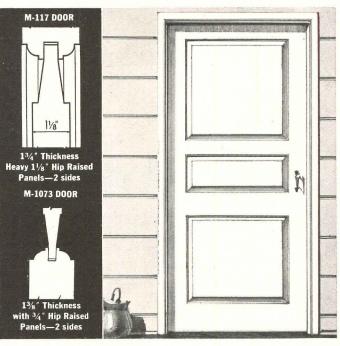
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Above: M-117 Tri-Panel Exterior Door; Below: M1073 Tri-Panel Interior Door



NEED FOR QUALIFIED DRAFTSMEN STRESSED AT TORONTO; ARCHITECTS REELECT EARLE SHEPPARD ASSOCIATION HEAD

Action to insure a constant flow of qualified architectural draftsmen and assistants to architects' offices was urged at the convention of the Ontario Association of Architects recently held in Toronto.

Schools of architecture at Canadian universities were said to be doing a fine job of turning out future architects. But it was pointed out that large numbers of graduates, after obtaining the practical experience required for registration as architects, immediately opened their own offices.

"It takes 15 years to produce a competent architectural draftsman," said A. S. Mathers, prominent Toronto architect and chairman of the O.A.A. Committee on Education, "and we must take steps to ensure a steady supply of these men for our profession." Tribute was paid to the work of the School of Architectural Technology, Ryerson Institute, Toronto, in training architectural draftsmen and assistants.

Speakers Include Americans

Seminar speakers included A. L. Fleming K.C., Toronto, solicitor for the O.A.A., who discussed the legal aspects of professional practice, and O'Neil Ford of San Antonio, Tex., who

gave an excellent talk on the Youtz-Slick "lift-slab" method of construction.

Donald Q. Faragher of Rochester, president of the New York State Association of Architects, was one of the distinguished guests attending the convention. Another was the Hon. Stanley Woodward, U. S. Ambassador to Canada, who addressed the annual dinner on the subject "My Northern Exposure."

Officers Elected

Earle L. Sheppard of Toronto was reelected for a second term as president of the Association. Other officers for 1952 are: Gordon S. Adamson, Toronto — vice president (second term); Robert D. Schoales, London — treasurer; W. H. Gilleland, Ottawa, F. H. Marani, Toronto, Alvin R. Prack, Hamilton and Hugh P. Sheppard, Windsor — councillors.

Registration Board consists of H. H. Madill, Toronto — chairman; John M. Kitchen, Ottawa — vice chairman; W. E. Fleury and Eric W. Haldenby, both of Toronto; and William R. Souter, Hamilton.

John D. Miller of Toronto is again secretary of both the Association and the Registration Board.



Ontario President Earle L. Sheppard shows an American guest around convention exhibit. His companion is Donald Q. Faragher, Rochester, New York State Association of Architects president. Below: U. S. Ambassador Stanley Woodward, dinner speaker, receives gift paperweight from Mr. Sheppard



2000 Women Polled on Tastes; House Designed to Match Them

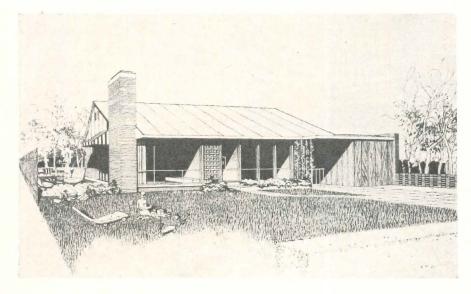
Chatelaine, a leading women's magazine, recently released the results of a poll taken on national housing needs and tastes and a design by Gibson and Pokorny, Toronto architects, which incorporated the majority findings.

Participants in the poll were 2000 women in all walks of life and all parts of Canada who serve on the magazine's Consumer Council. Their views, taken on other subjects in the past, have proven to be remarkably representative of national opinion.

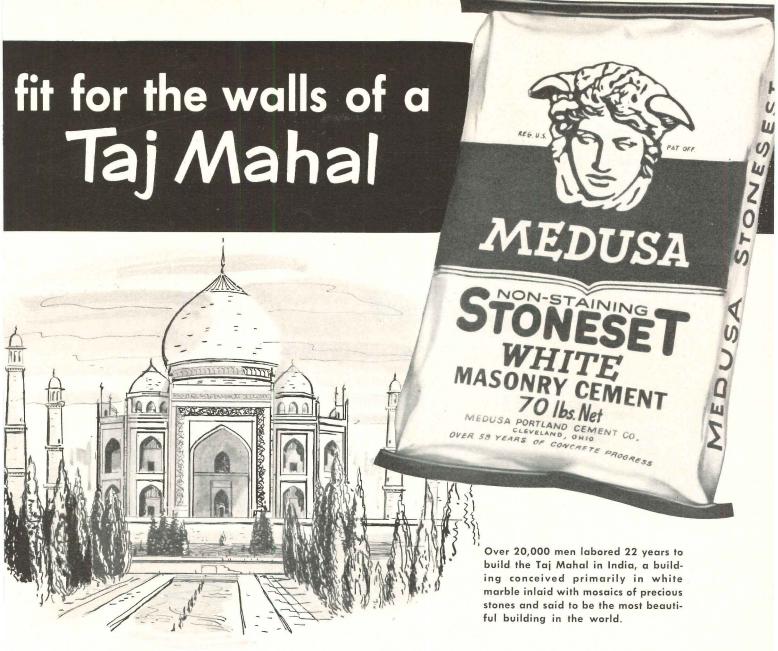
Some highlights of the poll results:

Minimum lot size specified was 53 ft wide by 120 ft deep. Fifty per cent of women interviewed want to live in

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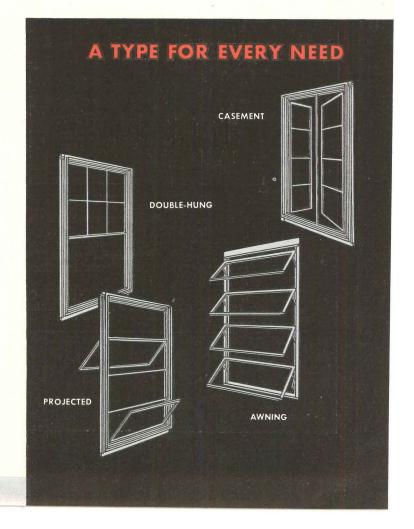
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New Elementary School Built at \$97,000 Cost

The View Royal Elementary School (photo at right) recently completed near Victoria, British Columbia, was built at a cost of \$97,000, or 37 cents per cu ft, exclusive of architects' fees. Architects



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HOUSING TASTES

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towns or suburbs, only 16 per cent in cities.

Construction that combines brick with other materials was a close choice over all-brick. Votes were 29 per cent and 28 per cent respectively.

One-story house was demanded by 53 per cent, while 85 per cent expressed desire for a basement and 92 per cent wanted a sloping roof.

The returns showed women receptive to some newer ideas — for example, the all-on-one-floor "ranch style" dwelling. On the other hand, they don't intend to give up such traditional features as a basement, which they feel has proven its usefulness, or the sloping roof, which they consider more attractive than a flat one.

Big windows of the "picture" variety were insisted on by 60 per cent. For ordinary use, sliding "up and down" windows were chosen by 74 per cent, far outstripped dormer and casement windows in favor.

Separate dining room was preferred by 43 per cent, all other votes being cast for dining room combined with either living room or kitchen.

Three bedrooms were urged by 55 per (Continued on page 34)



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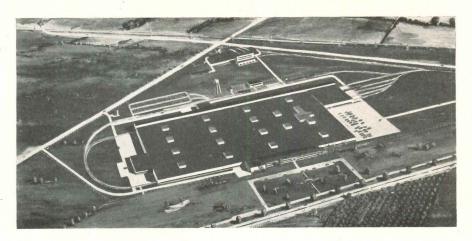
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cent; and the same percentage said they'd like to have one bedroom double as a den.

Combined kitchen-laundry was in accordance with wishes of 50 per cent.

Hobby room appears to be highly prized feature; 60 per cent said they had leisure time interests.







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Canada's Largest Plant Under Way at Oakville

Ford of Canada's 32½-acre automobile assembly plant at Oakville, Ont., will have more floor area under one roof than any industrial building in Canada (photo of rendering above).

Site preparation has been completed and excavation for footings began in February. Giffels and Vallet of Windsor are engineers in charge.

The municipalities most affected, Trafalgar Township, in whose southeast portion the industrial colossus will be located, and the Town of Oakville, which possesses the necessary services and facilities, are bracing themselves to meet an expected influx of 20,000 or 30,000 people.

Resistance to Zoning

Three years ago the Township Council passed an area subdivision control bylaw which prohibits the sale of land by medes or bounds unless it is in a registered plan of subdivision.

However, the Council has consistently refused to enact a zoning bylaw to regulate the use of land and the character, location and use of buildings. Last year it turned down a proposal to provide a green belt to protect existing residential sections from undesirable encroachments of industry and commerce.

Most recent evidence of its ability to meet the challenge of new conditions was to give first reading to a bylaw which will make speculators pay for the installation of new roads, water and sewer mains.

Joint Planning Board Helps

Oakville, which has an excellent zoning law, watches the move on water and sewer mains with no small degree of interest. In the past, subdivisions in Trafalgar Township have been serviced with water provided by Oakville. The tremendous residential and industrial de-

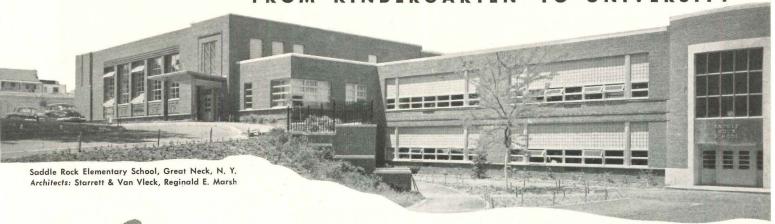
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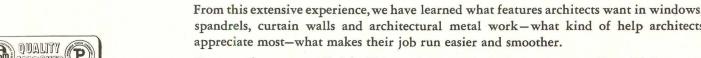
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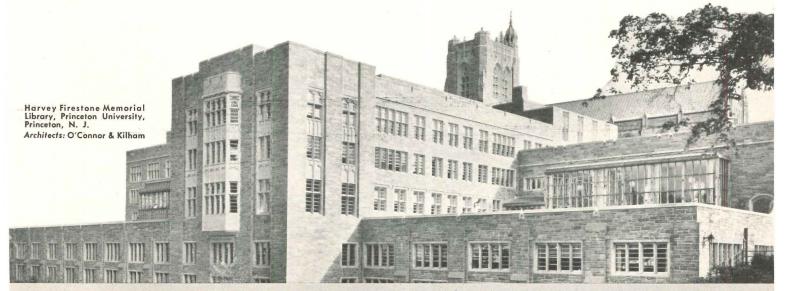
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velopment in the offing may produce demands which cannot be met by Oakville's present system.

A joint Oakville-Trafalgar Planning Board is shared by the two municipalities. Its members are remarkably competent, and their efforts have accomplished much for the good of present and future residents. Whether or not the need for engaging a professional planning consultant is now recognized remains to be seen. None has been appointed to date.

No Building Boom Seen

Oakville does not expect much new construction within its borders as a result of Ford's arrival. The town is practically all built up.

But property values on the main street are skyrocketing. Three banks, whose location decisions are usually reliable indicators of anticipated business activity, have announced they intend to open branches in Oakville. With four already there, the total will be seven.

1951 Building 50 Per Cent Over Record 1950 Total

Construction contracts worth \$2.3 billion, 50 per cent over the record \$1.5 billion in 1950, were awarded in 1951, which thus became the best year in Canadian building history.

MacLean Building Reports Ltd., source of these figures, comments: "Gains each year are becoming a habit. 1951 is the sixth successive year construction contracts have outstripped past records. No other year of the postwar boom has shown a like increase and no year in previous construction history has topped the \$2 billion mark in contract awards."

Housing No Longer Tops

Major changes took place in the type of work being done by the expanding industry. Housing construction, the volume leader since 1943, was shouldered aside by engineering construction and was passed even by industrial and commercial construction in percentage share of total volume of 1951 contracts.

Biggest slice of the construction pie went to engineering, with 37.3 of the total. The portion given commercial

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GSA Prepares Defense Code, Reports Research on Blast

The New Report to Congress of the General Services Administration (covering the fiscal year 1951, ending last June 30) projected the agency into the limited circle of federal groups concerned with design for atomic defense.

GSA, of which Public Buildings Service is a part, is always engaged in research

to simplify and improve federal building construction; but its relatively new activities in the civil defense field have now been given special notice.

A code has been prepared for the protection of federal personnel and property against hostile attack. The annual report notes that this code is to be made the basis for standards to be issued by other government agencies for the protection of civilians and their property.

Blast Research on Windows

Special investigative work by GSA researchers has been done in the field of window construction. In cooperation with the Atomic Energy Commission and the Defense Department, research work has been undertaken in GSA laboratories to determine the resistance of standard glazing and window construction materials to atomic blasts.

The report to Congress indicates that designs are being prepared from this research for windows that will have greater resistance to atomic blast force. A reduction in the hazards encountered from flying glass is an important objective of the tests.

GSA explained that similar investigations are being planned to determine the resistance of existing office buildings and hospitals. From the data obtained, standards for more resistive construction will be prepared.

Warehouse Layouts Developed

The annual report further disclosed that GSA's investigations have turned up improvements in warehouse layout and design that will save time and money. Typical warehouse plans have been developed which will reduce the time required for specific operations in buildings of this type.

"Consideration was given to minimizing maintenance costs through reduction in the amount of special equipment and in the distances traveled by such equipment," the report stated. The layouts have been incorporated in a brochure for distribution to all GSA regional offices for guidance in the procurement of warehouse space.

"Designs have been developed for two types of warehouses being constructed for the storage of strategic and critical materials," the GSA report said. "These types — one of steel column and steel roof construction, and the other of wood column and wood roof construction — have resulted in a reduction of the time formerly required for study and preparation of working drawings and award of contracts.

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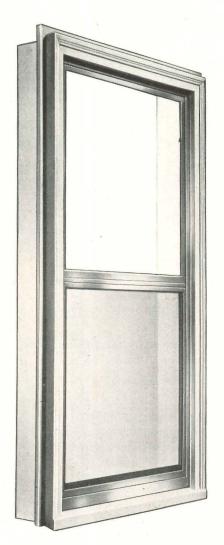
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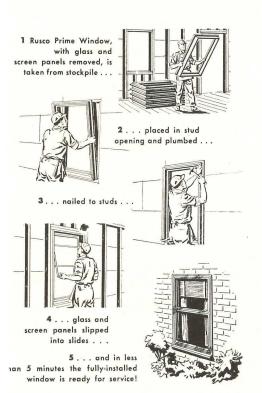


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1930	127.0	126.7	124.1	128.0	123.6	82.1	80.9	84.5	86.1	83.6
1935	93.8	91.3	104.7	108.5	105.5	72.3	67.9	84.0	87.1	85.1
1939	123.5	122.4	130.7	133.4	130.1	86.3	83.1	95.1	97.4	94.7
1940	126.3	125.1	132.2	135.1	131.4	91.0	89.0	96.9	98.5	97.5
1946	181.8	182.4	177.2	179.0	174.8	148.1	149.2	136.8	136.4	135.1
1947	219.3	222.0	207.6	207.5	203.8	180.4	184.0	158.1	157.1	158.0
1948	250.1	251.6	239.4	242.2	235.6	199.2	202.5	178.8	178.8	178.8
1949	243.7	240.8	242.8	246.4	240.0	189.3	189.9	180.6	180.8	177.5
1950	256.2	254.5	249.5	251.5	248.0	194.3	196.2	185.4	183.7	185.0
Oct. 1951	274.4	272.5	264.9	266.6	263.8	214.6	216.4	206.6	204.7	208.3
Nov. 1951	274.4	272.5	264.9	266.6	263.8	214.6	216.4	206.6	204.7	208.3
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1949	221.4	220.7	212.8	215.7	213.6	213.0	207.1	214.0	219.8	216.1
1948	227.9	231.2	207.7	210.0	208.1	218.9	216.6	208.3	214.7	211.1
1947	202.4	203.8	183.9	184.2	184.0	193.1	191.6	183.7	186.8	186.9
1946	167.1	167.4	159.1	161.1	158.1	159.7	157.5	157.9	159.3	160.0
1940	112.6	110.1	119.3	120.3	119.4	106.4	101.2	116.3	120.1	115.5
1939	110.2	107.0	118.7	119.8	119.0	105.6	99.3	117.4	121.9	116.5
1935	95.1	90.1	104.1	108.3	105.4	89.5	84.5	96.4	103.7	99.7
1930	108.9	108.3	112.4	115.3	111.3	90.8	86.8	100.4	104.9	100.4
1925	118.6	118.4	116.3	118.1	114.4	91.0	86.5	99.5	102.1	98.0

The index numbers shown are for combined material and labor costs. The indexes for each separate type of construction relate to the United States average for 1926–29 for that particular type — considered 100.

Cost comparisons, as percentage differences for any particular type of construction, are possible between localities, or periods of time within the same city, by dividing the difference between the two index numbers by one of them; i.e.:

index for city A = 110index for city B = 95

(both indexes must be for the same type of construction).

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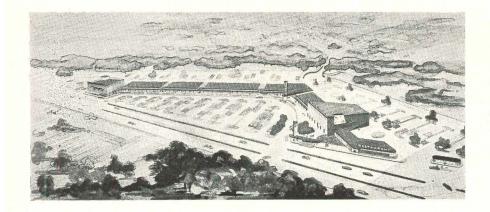
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SHOPPING CENTERS

Shopping Centers, Design and Operation. By Geoffrey Baker and Bruno Funaro. Reinhold Publishing Corp. (330 W. 42nd St., New York 18, N. Y.), 1951. 9 by 11½ in. 288 pp., illus. \$12.00.

REVIEWED BY MORRIS KETCHUM, JR.

Anyone interested in planning, developing, building, operating or renting space in a shopping center should be grateful to the authors of this scholarly guidebook. They have carefully analyzed all the basic factors underlying the design of shopping centers, correlated all their research material into readable form and provided a comprehensive survey of every noteworthy center planned or built to date.

The first steps in the development of a shopping center — site selection and market analysis — are clearly described. The now standardized methods used to logically determine the size of a center's trading area, to analyze the spending power and shopping habits of its potential customers, and to calculate its probable share of their shopping dollars are all well defined. Site considerations have been carefully scrutinized. Proper emphasis is placed on accessibility, highway capacity, cost and zoning. One regrets, however, the fact that there is no mention of the vital importance of obtaining a unified site of the right shape and size. Almost every second rate shopping center in this country owes its deficiencies to the fact that its site is split up in some way by a public highway, or is too long and narrow for a proper distribution of buildings and parking areas, or is too

small for full peaktime parking capacity.

Parking ratios, methods, and planning principles are brilliantly analyzed. The pros and cons of parking ratios based on unit sales versus ratios based on a rule-of-thumb relationship between building and parking areas, of angle parking versus ninety degree parking, are all carefully investigated. Based on his own experience, this reviewer finds himself in complete agreement with the authors as to the greater value of both unit sales ratios and a ninety degree parking system.

The authors' analysis of merchandise handling and store planning problems in shopping centers is less complete. The unpleasant confusion and the dangerous hazards inherent in the intermingling of auto, truck, and pedestrian traffic routes are not thoroughly discussed nor is the value of completely separating all these traffic streams given enough emphasis. The authors do not seem to realize, as well, the vital necessity for minimizing the distances travelled by shoppers on foot. In describing one method for isolating service by placing a truck court in the center of a store group, they fail to point out that this solution creates maximum shopper walking distances around the perimeter of stores. They state that overhangs and walkways should protect shoppers from the weather, yet none of the examples shown in photographs accomplish this simple function.

Site planning is skimmed over lightly. There is an interesting but brief comparison of ten different shopping center plans but no clear-cut statement of basic planning principles. The reader is not

warned that no well-planned shopping center should be split into fragments by highways; that store buildings should be closely grouped, not isolated; that shopper walking distances must be minimum, not maximum; that unified and separate traffic systems for autos, trucks, and pedestrians are essential. Inflexible structural systems dividing rows of stores into frozen compartments, duplicative store fronts facing in several directions, and honky-tonk signs and architecture deserve stronger condemnation.

This same uncritical viewpoint carries through the comparative analyses of 63 shopping centers. It is no fault of the authors that their comprehensive survey includes every type of planning - from realtor's nightmares to progressive architectural solutions. This book would have been very thin and incomplete if only the best available material had been shown. The field is new. Almost any shopping center can operate successfully today even if poorly planned, thanks to good times and lack of competition. When more and better centers have been built, most of today's shopping centers will have their worries. The first sign of bad times will see many of them on the rocks.

It is probably too much to expect a guidebook to be both selective and comprehensive. The art and science of shopping center design is still in its infancy; not many definite standards have been established. The great value of this volume is that, properly used, it points the way from past mistakes to future triumphs.

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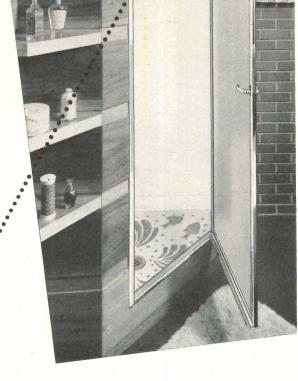
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HUNGARIAN ARCHITECTURE

The Work of Architects Olgyay and Olgyay. Introduction by Marcel Breuer and Peter Blake. Reinhold Publishing Corp. (330 W. 42nd St., New York 18, N. Y.), 1952. 11½ by 8½ in. 72 pp., illus. \$5.00.

Originally published in 1946 as the first volume of a series on arts and artists in Hungary, this interesting little book presents the architectural work to that date of twins Aladar and Victor Olgyay. The first printing was sold out with the exception of 500 unbound copies which were shipped to Stockholm and then to New York. These are now published in a limited edition, with a cover and jacket designed by George Kepes, a former compatriot of the Olgyays. At this writing, only 420 copies remain. The text is given in both Hungarian and English.

The quantity and quality of work presented is somewhat amazing, considering that the Olgyays were only 36 years old when the book was compiled. These include churches, apartment houses, factories, exposition buildings and government buildings. Most of the commissions were won through architectural competitions. The designs show a good deal of imagination and vigor, with leanings toward the International Style. The buildings also have great interest as a partial record of architectural thought in Hungary after the war and before the Iron Curtain. The Olgyays have been on university faculties in the U.S. since 1947, first at Notre Dame, now at M.I.T.

OLD NEW YORKANA

As You Pass By. By Kenneth Holcomb Dunshee, Hastings House (41 E. 50th St., New York 22, N. Y.), 1952. 8½ by 11½ in. 270 pp. + Appendix, illus. \$10.00.

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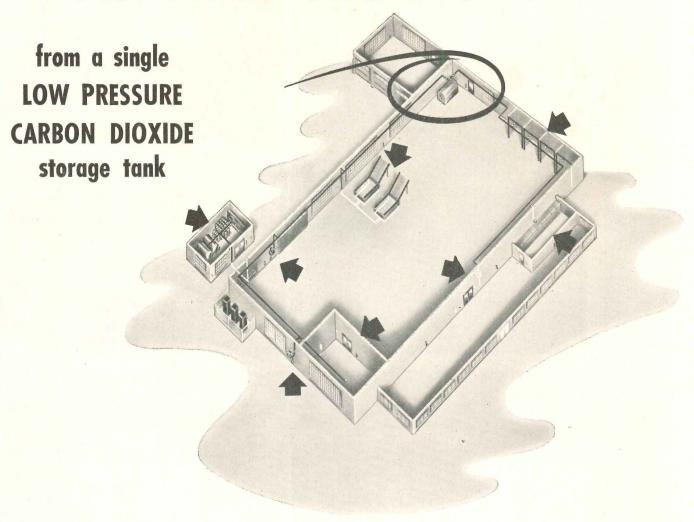
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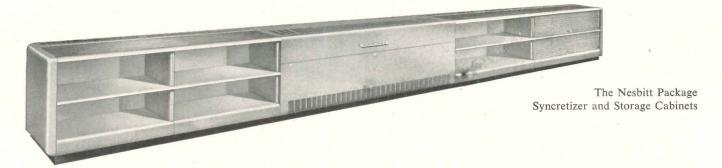
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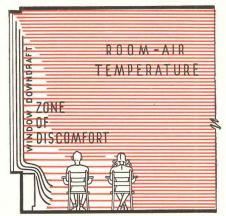
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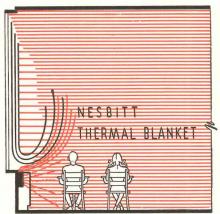
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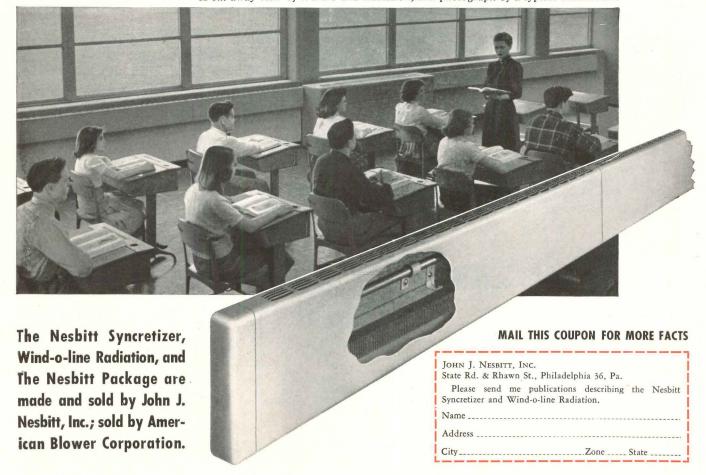
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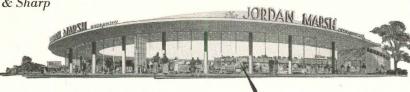
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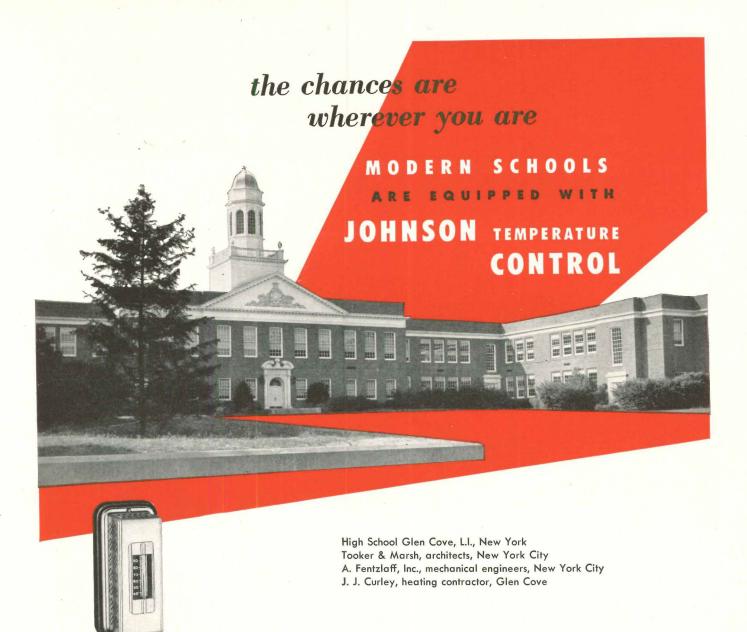
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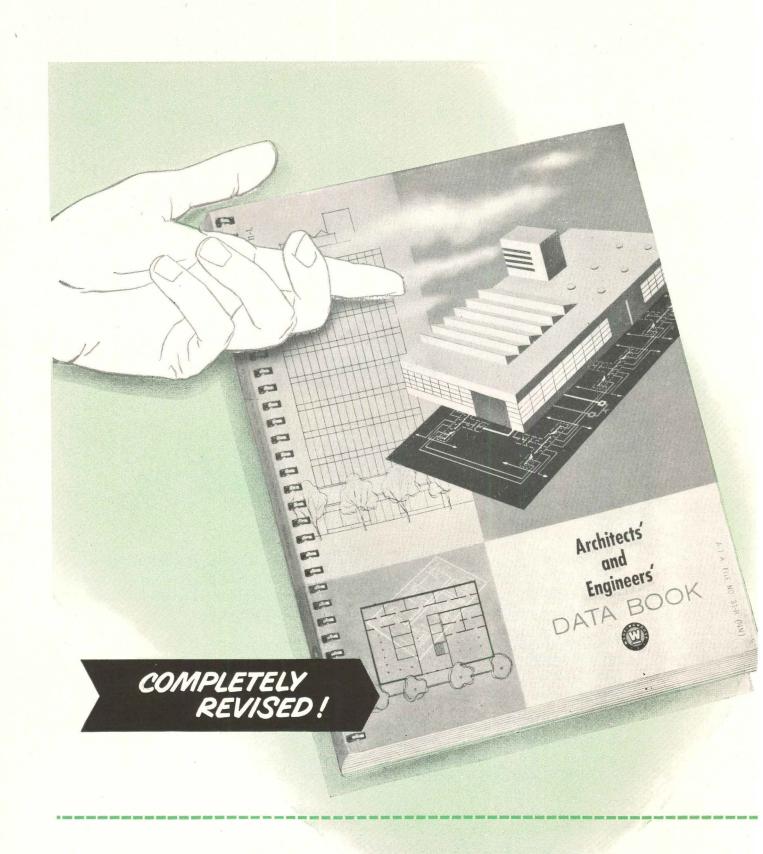


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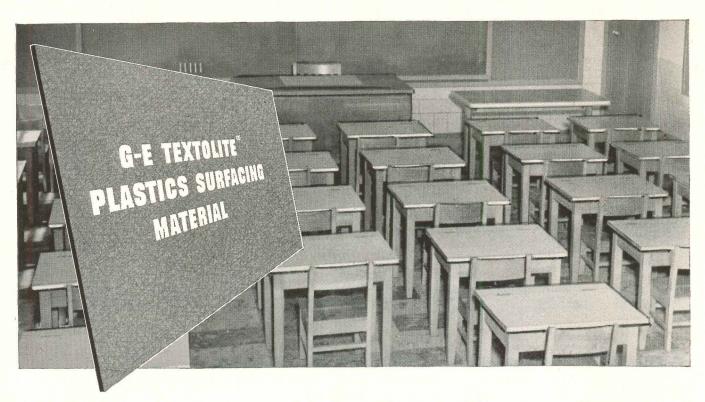




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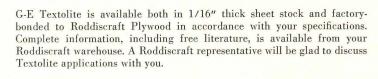
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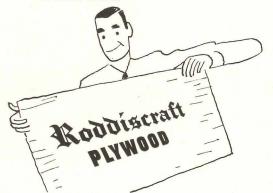
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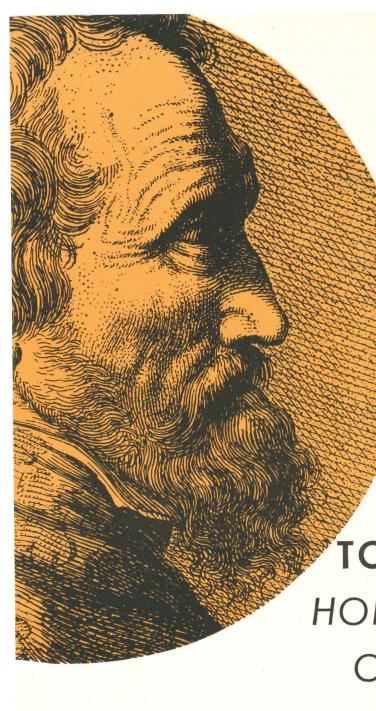


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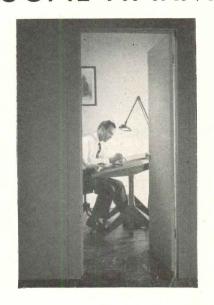
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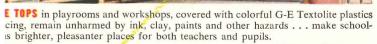
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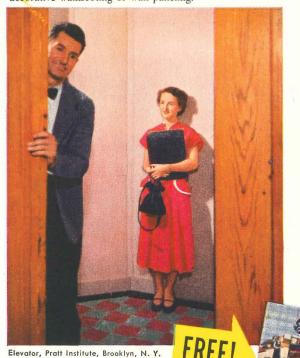
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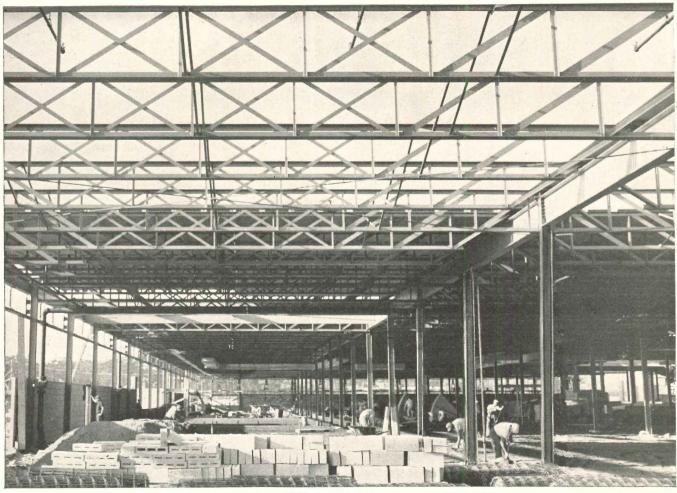
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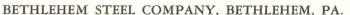
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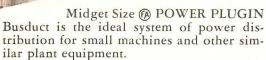
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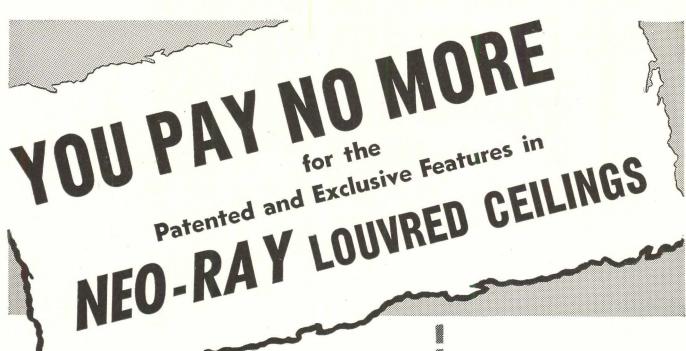
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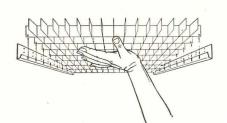
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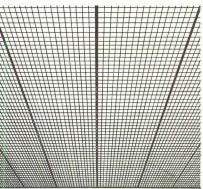
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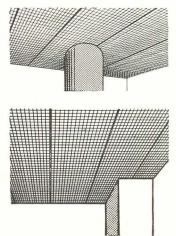
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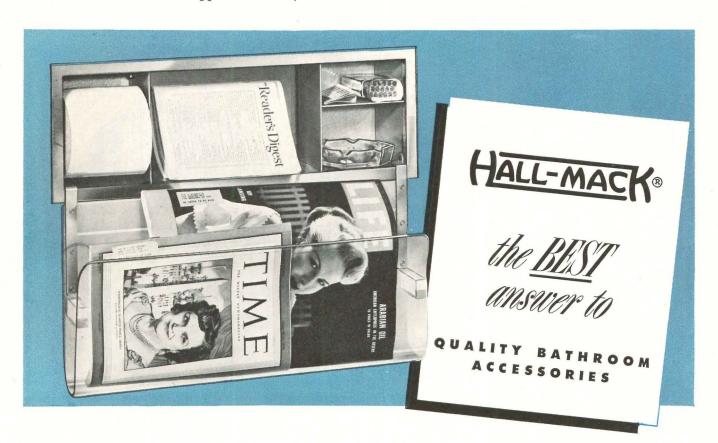
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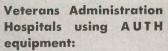
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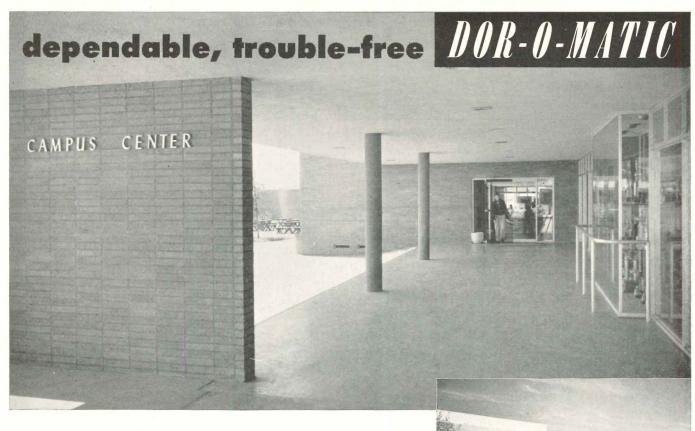
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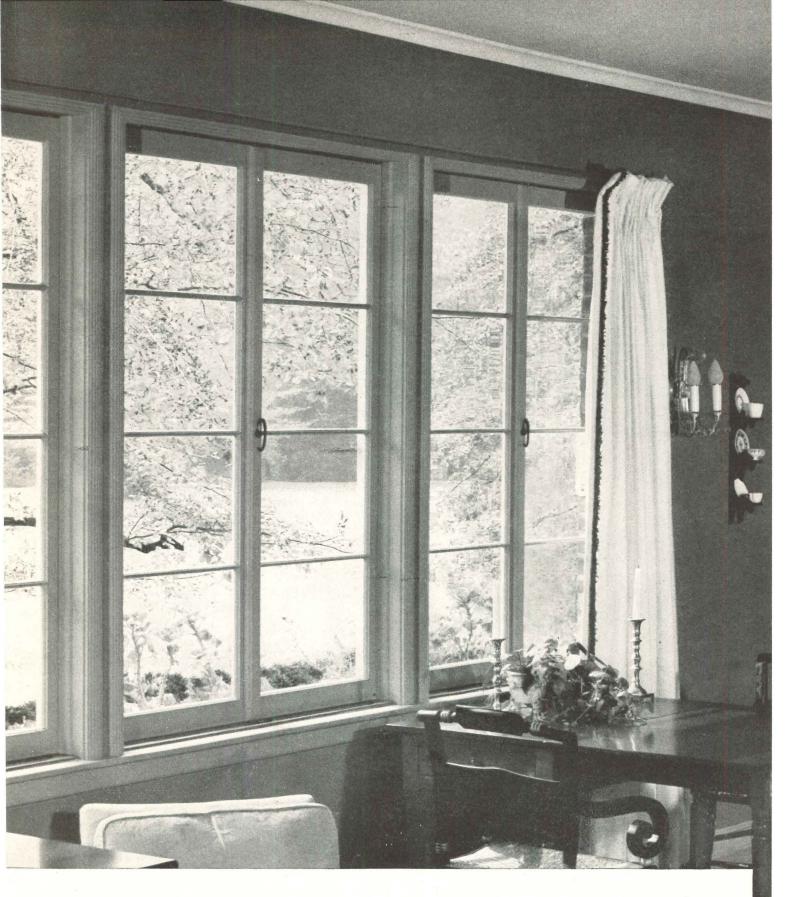
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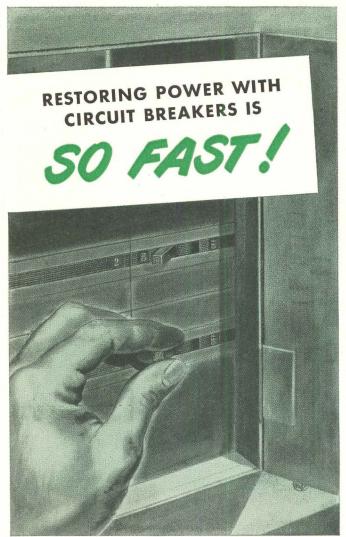
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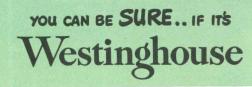
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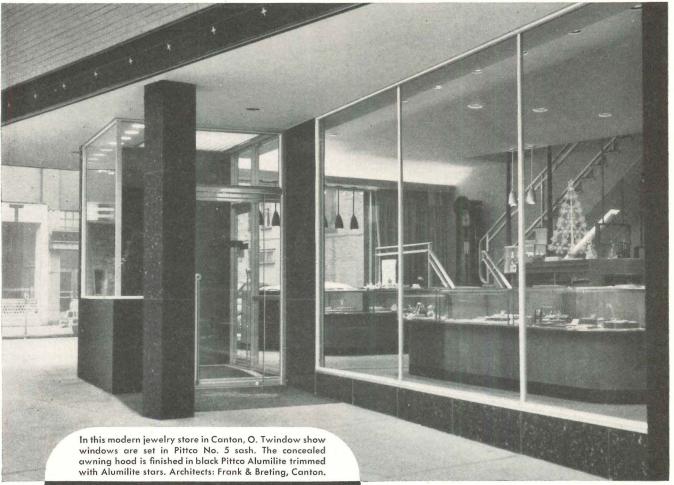




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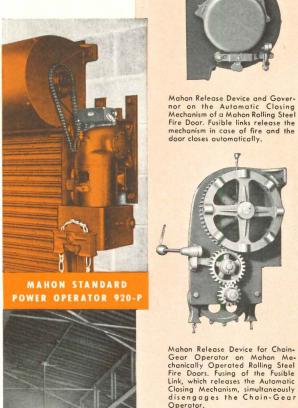
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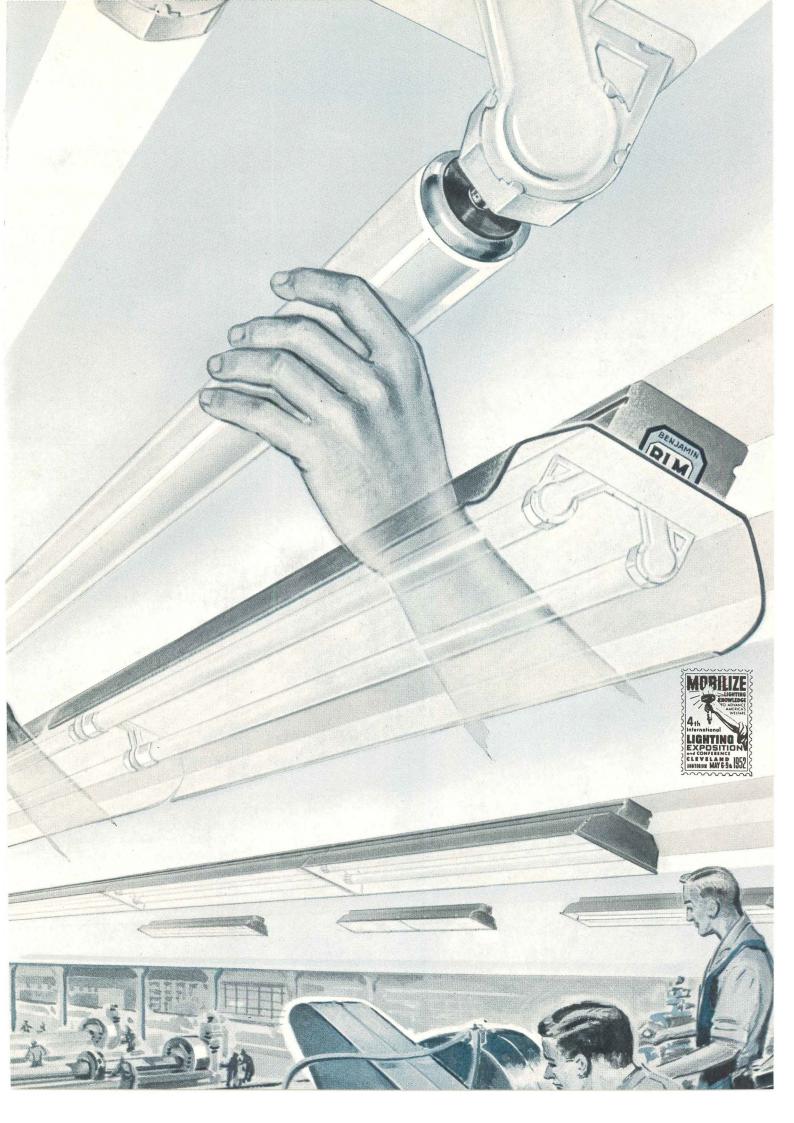
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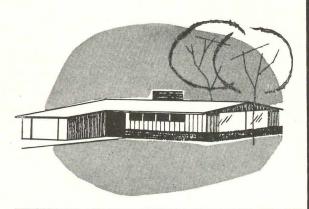
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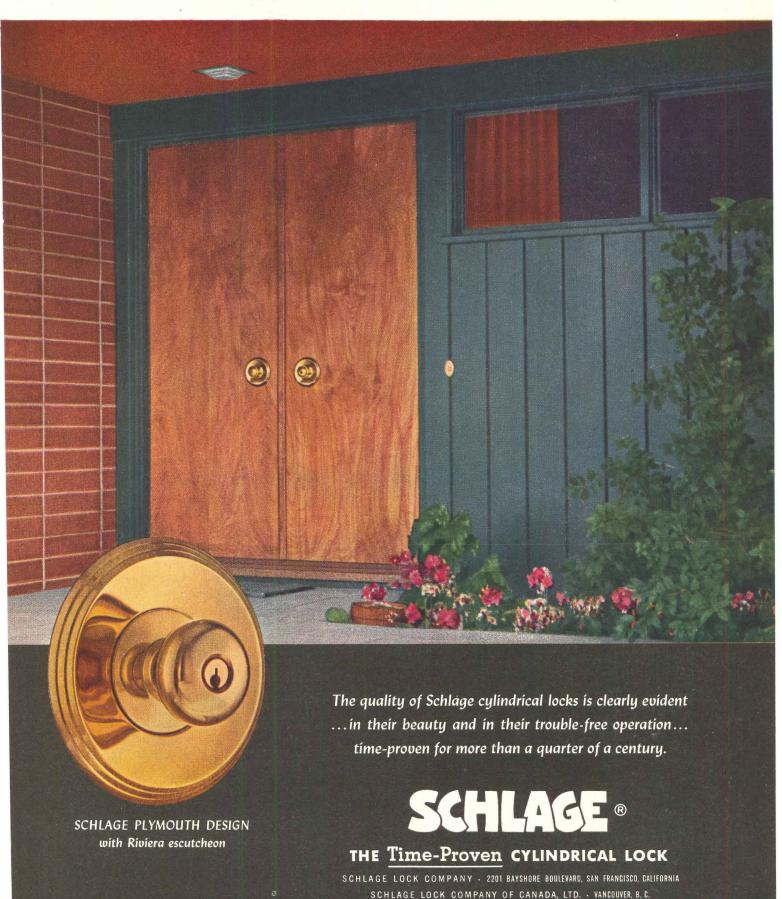
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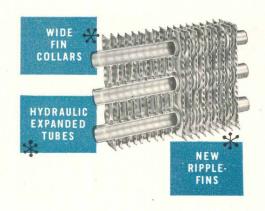


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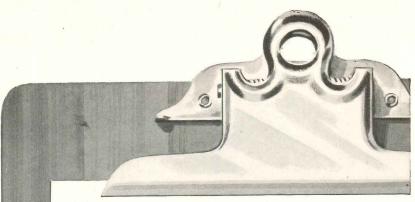
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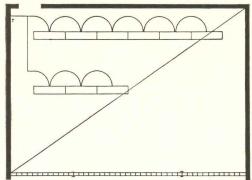
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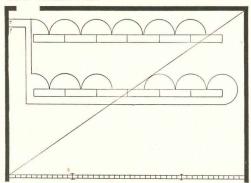
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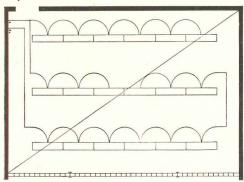
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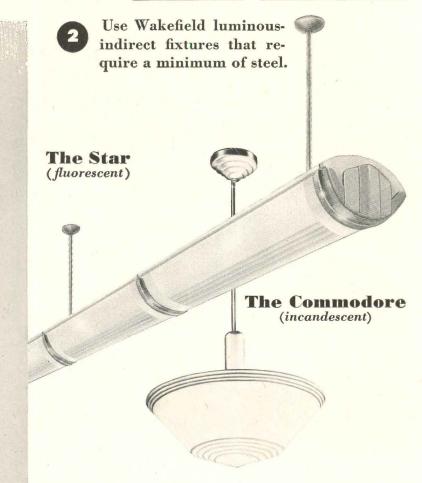
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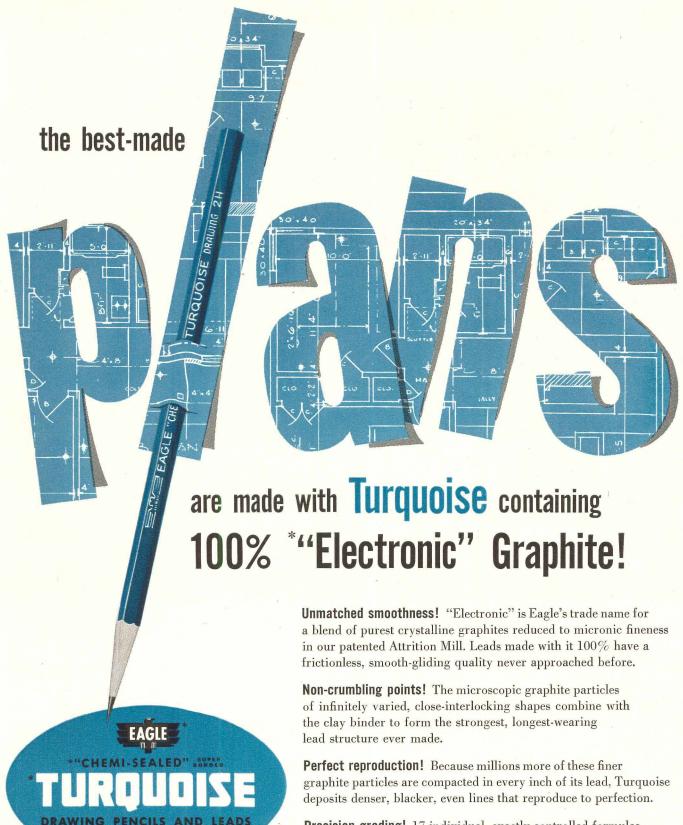
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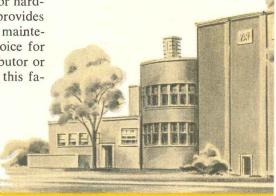
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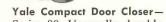
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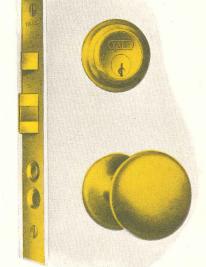
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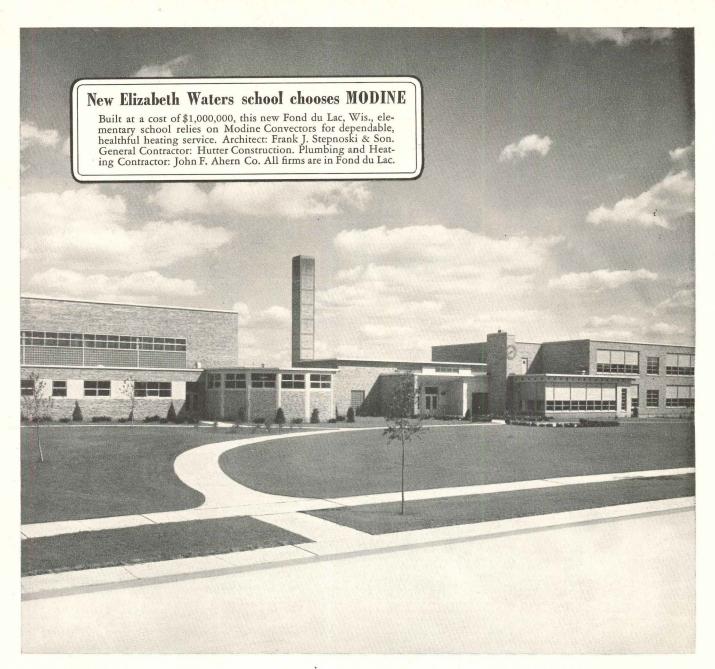


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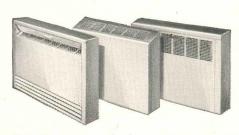
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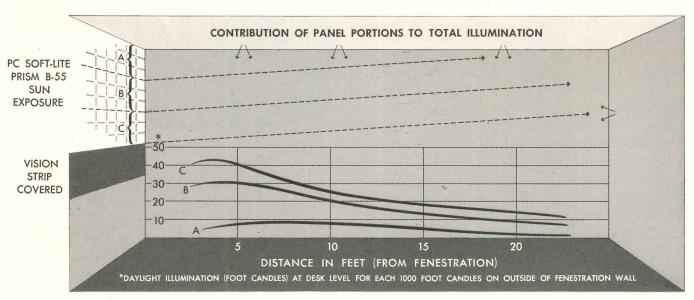
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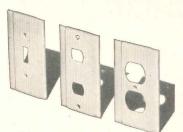


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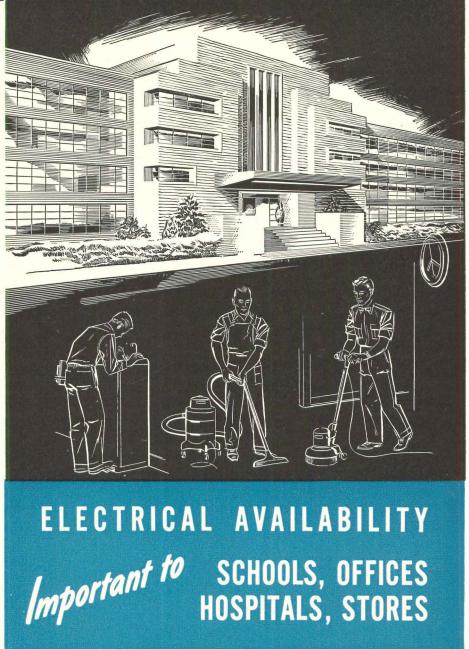
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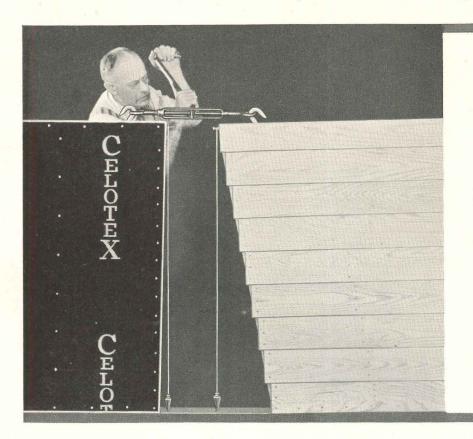
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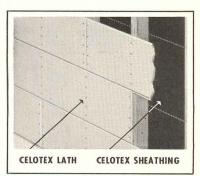
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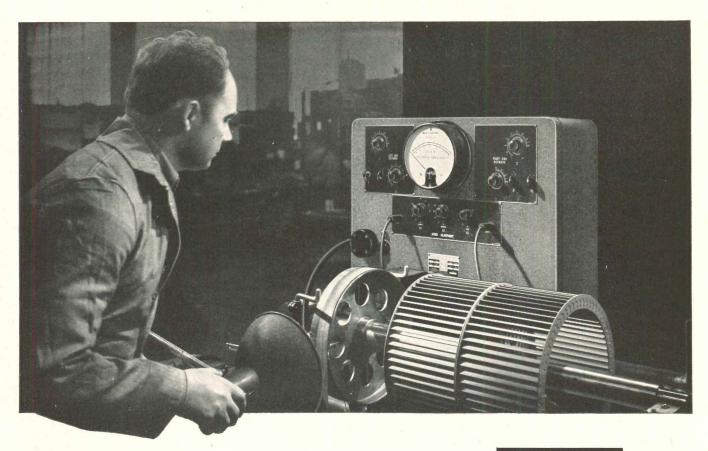
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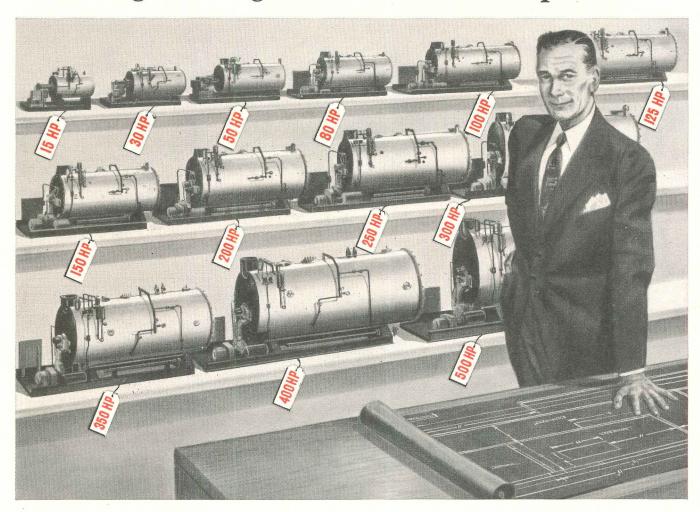
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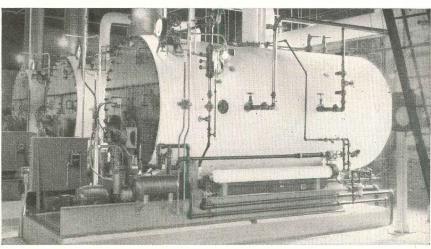
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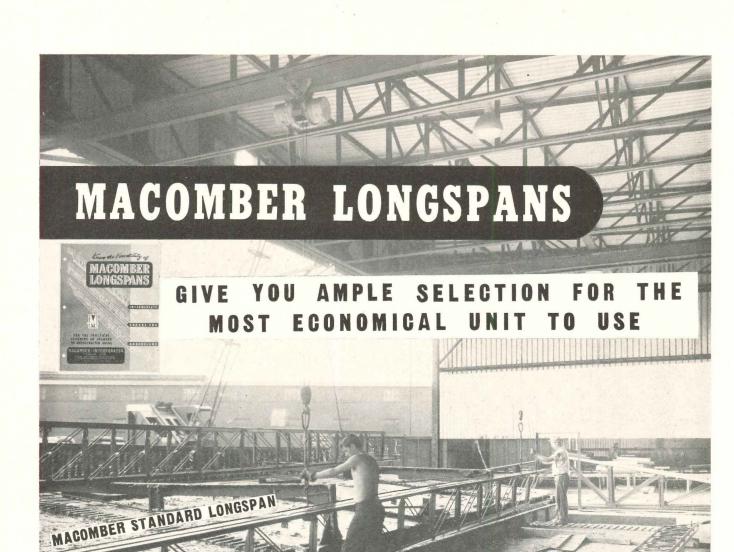




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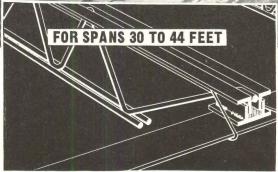


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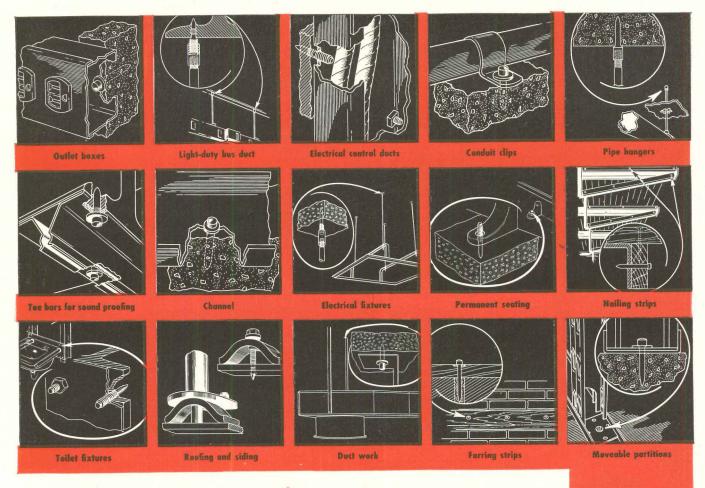




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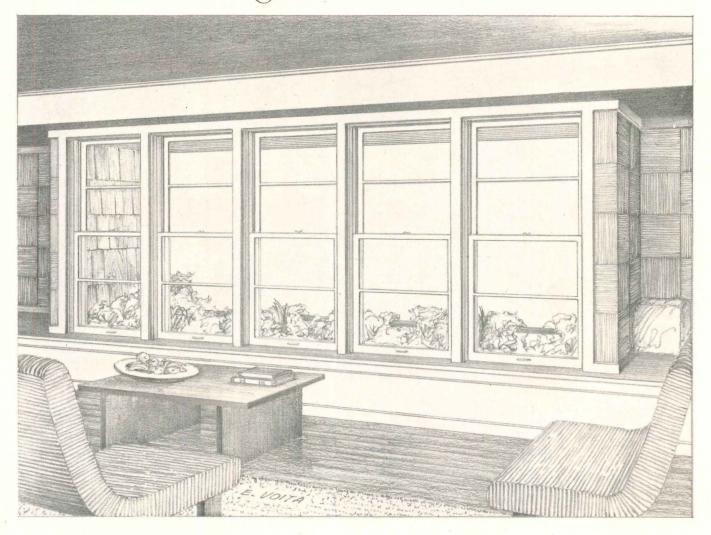




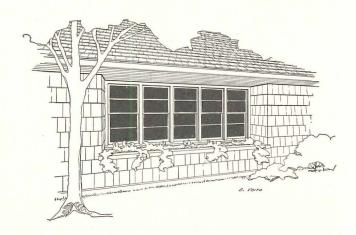
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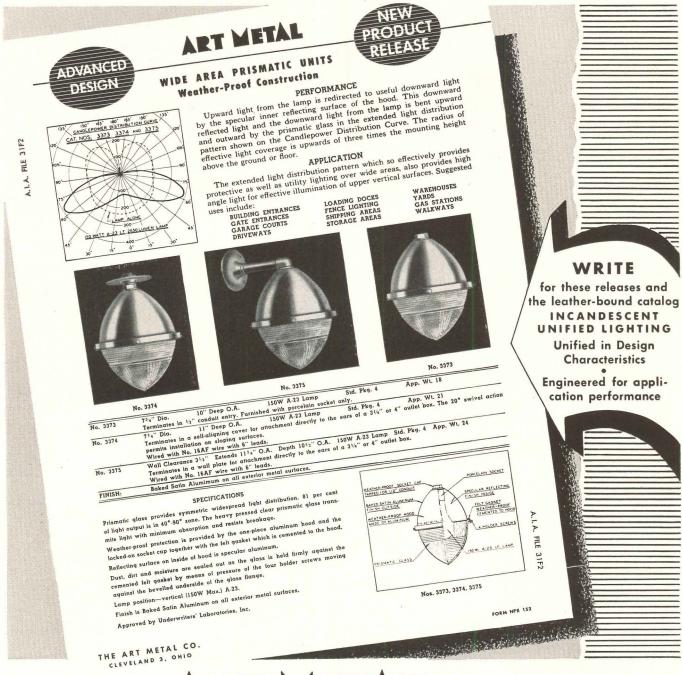
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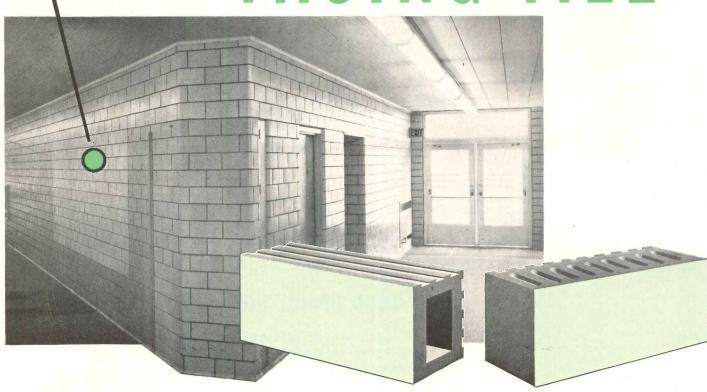
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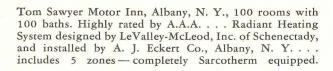
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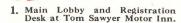
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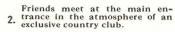
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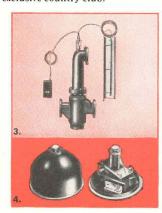
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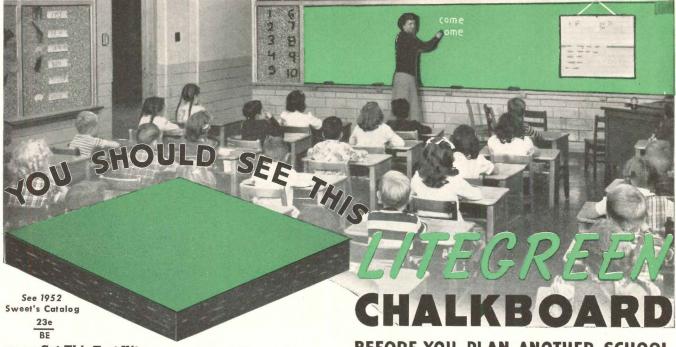






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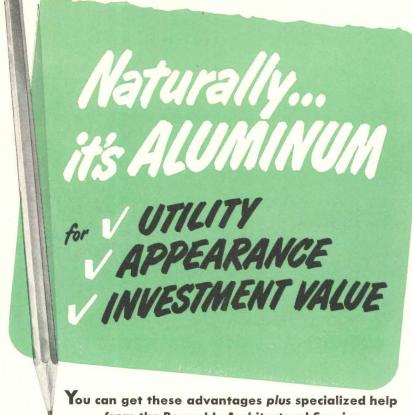
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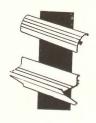


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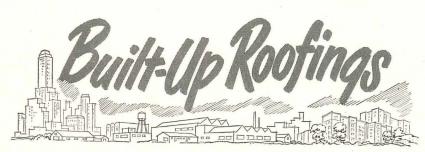
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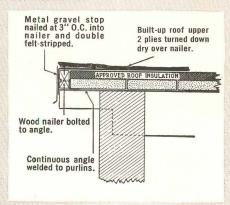
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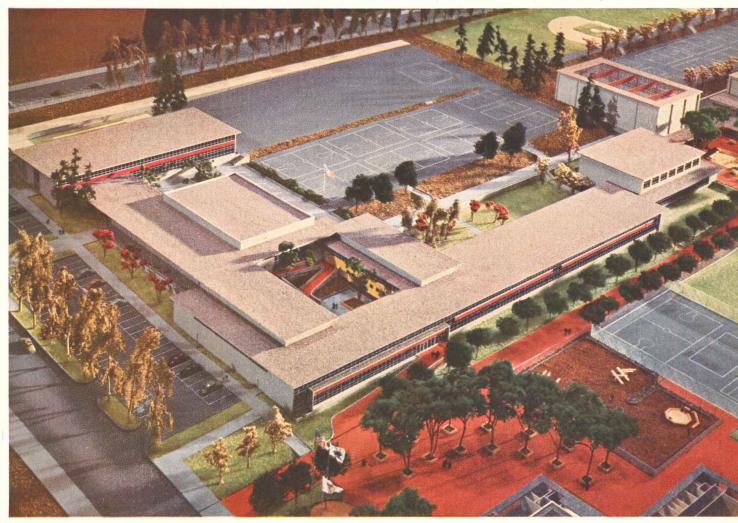
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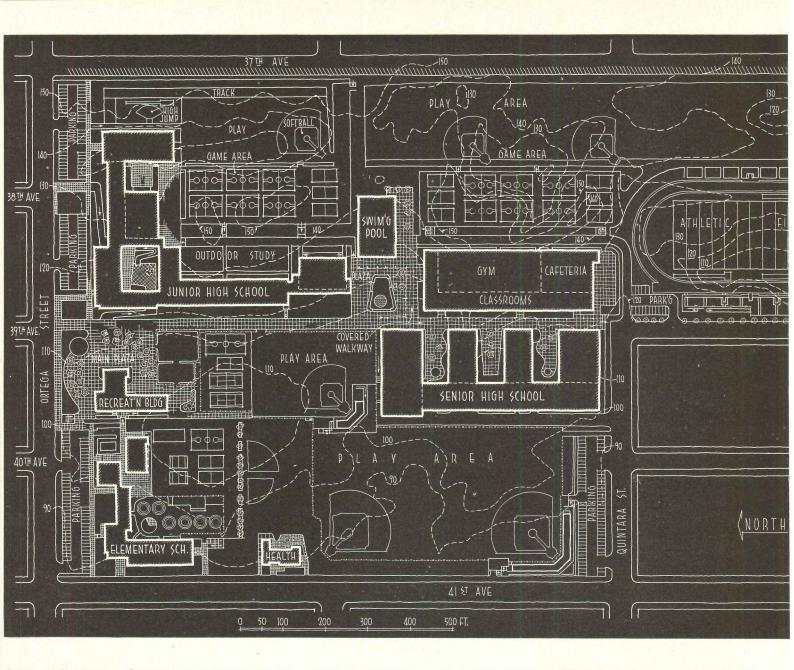
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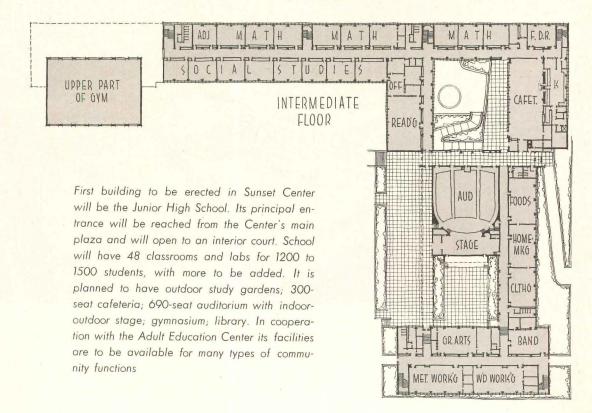
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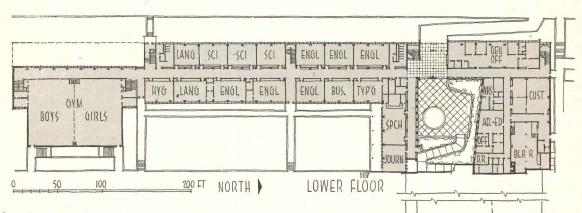
that presented in 1945 by Glenn Hall of San Francisco's Planning Commission and furthered by the then Planning Director, L. Deming Tilton, and his successors. Bringing it to its present stage has not been easy: definition of purpose, allocation of authority and responsibility, problems of site acquisition and development, and the need to coordinate without unduly hampering the several architects, have all been complex matters. The Center is to offer facilities for education, health and recreation for all age groups, as a means of establishing and maintaining high local standards; it is at once a social, cultural and economic venture. It has required the cooperation of several city agencies, among which expenses are being apportioned according to land occupancy and building costs.* The rolling land drops about 80 ft from highest to lowest points; across it blows a strong northwest breeze. To break the wind the site is graded to three main levels, and most of the

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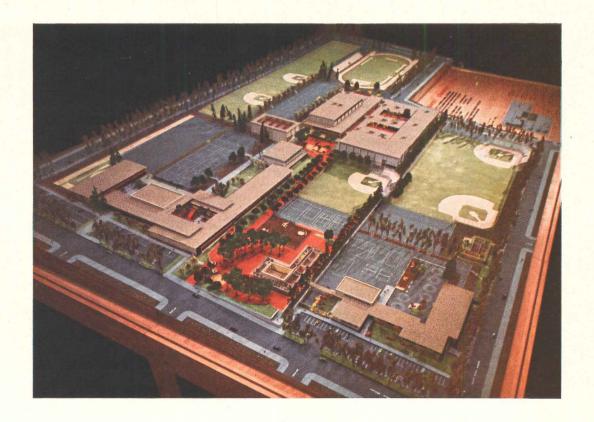
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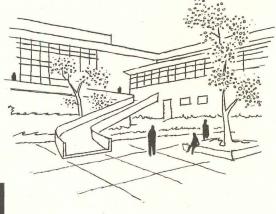
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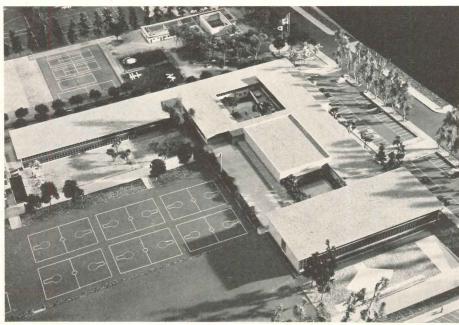
 $^{^{*}}$ A few years ago the Library Commission with drew from the group of cooperating agencies —the only San Francisco agency to do so.



Sunset center's topography (see photo above) affected design of the Junior High School. Though entered from the Center's Main Plaza midway down Ortega St., the principal floor level of the school is a story higher. To connect the two levels the interior court (sketch, right) and its ramps were developed. In the court, next to the cafeteria, is an outdoor dining terrace. The building is to be concrete, cement plastered on the exterior. Main entrance is to be metal and glass, other entrances wood and glass, fenestration wood awning type on 4-ft modules. Heat will be furnished by low-pressure, combination gas-oil burning boilers with convectors in classrooms, unit heaters in shop and gymnasium. This school will occupy 8.8 acres. Its estimated cost is \$3,800,000.00.

SUNSET COMMUNITY CENTER
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL







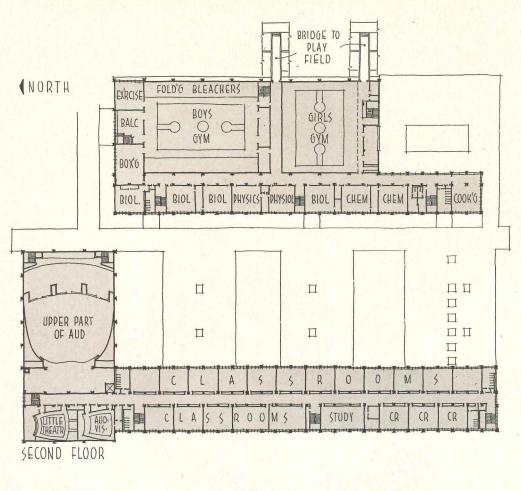


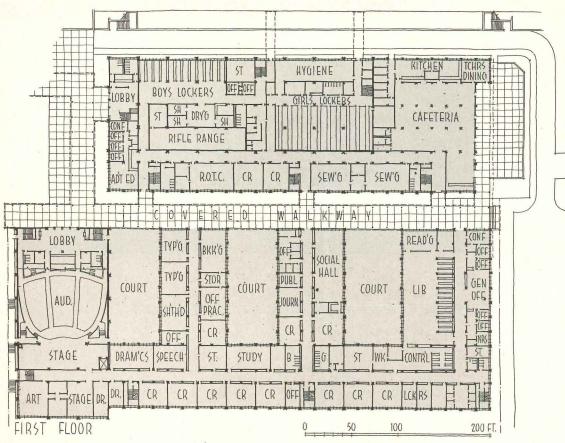
SUNSET COMMUNITY CENTER: SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

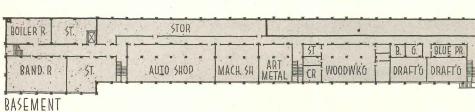
Wurster, Bernardi & Emmons, Architects

Construction of the Sunset Senior High School is scheduled for the final phase of the project, some five to ten years hence. Consequently the plans are in a rough preliminary stage, with a great deal of work remaining to be done on details. Enough has been done to determine the amount of space required for classrooms, laboratories and the other facilities needed in a secondary school for 1200 students. This was necessary to permit economical development of the entire project.

The high school proper consists of two buildings: one, a classroom unit three stories high on the west side and two on the east where the finish grade is higher; and two, a gymnasium-cafeteria building around which are wrapped two floors of additional classrooms. Between the buildings runs the walkway leading from Sunset Center's Main Plaza to 39th Avenue. For plans and further details of the high school buildings see the following pages.

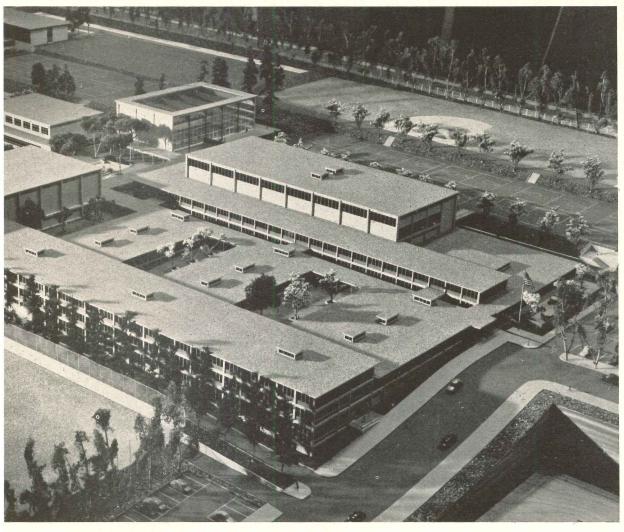






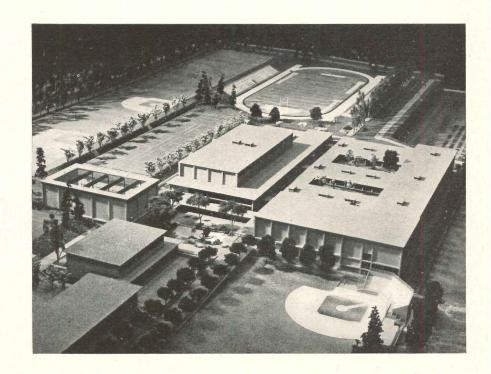
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SUNSET SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



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Sunset Community Center Senior High School's two main buildings will have the same composition roofs, eave overhangs and concrete construction established for other buildings on the site. Photo at right also shows the Athletic Stadium which will occupy the extreme south end of the Center's 43 acres; all told, the high school plant requires 19.4 acres. Construction proposed for the high school employs a reinforced concrete frame and floor system with exterior columns on the outer face of the building and curtain walls flush on the interior. The curtain walls are to consist of strip windows and precast, colored filler panels. This is consonant with the use of color throughout the project as a means of obtaining unity. Cost of high school buildings and stadium is estimated at \$5,000,000.00

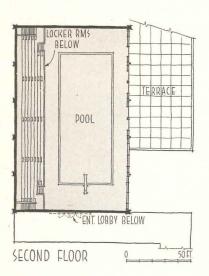


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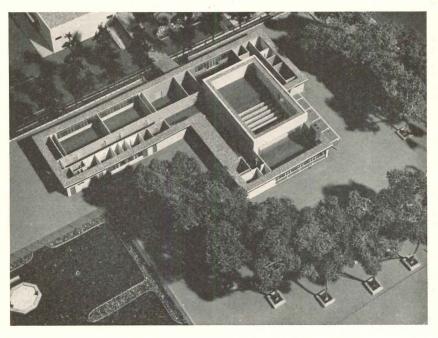
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Sunset Community Center's Swimming Pool Building (above and right) has also been carried only to the rough preliminary stage of design by Wurster, Bernardi & Emmons. Its design is like that of the other high school buildings: exposed concrete frame with curtain walls set flush on interior. Expected to cost \$300,000.00,



the building is to be situated between the junior and senior high gymnasiums. On the entire high school portion of the Center, preliminary structural engineering was done by A. V. Saph, Jr., and mechanical engineering by Garthorne, Buonacorsi & Murray





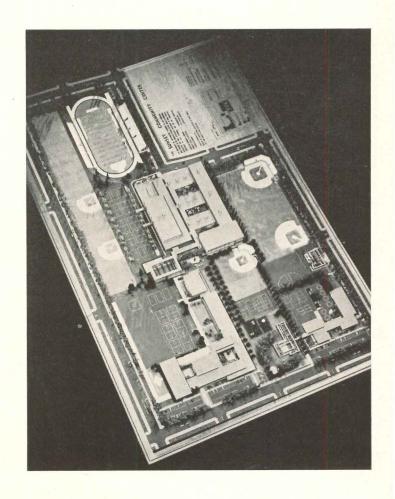
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SUNSET RECREATION CENTER

William G. Merchant, Architect

OFFICIALLY called the West Sunset Recreation Center, this unit in the Community Center will occupy 9.77 acres east of the elementary school (bottom right, adjoining bird's eye view of model). Its 150-seat assembly room is to be used both by adults and by students from the elementary school, to which a covered walk leads. Construction of the \$750,000.00 concrete building is to start as soon as regulations permit.

Since 1945, San Francisco's Art Commission has actively promoted and guided its development. At one time the project, all but abandoned, was saved by efforts of the city's present Director of Planning, Paul Opperman, and the Art Commission's Committee on Architecture. Recently it has passed upon design of the various buildings. With final schemes approved, the Chairman of the Commission's Committee on Civic Design, architect Francis Joseph McCarthy, presented a review and report citing many San Francisco individuals and agencies concerned with the Center's progress, including Jack Kent, former Planning Director; Ernest Born, architect member of the Art Commission; Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Herbert C. Clish; Thomas Brooks, Chief Administrative Officer, Department of Public Works; Harvey Teller, former Director, Recreation and Park Department; and the numerous designers and municipal agencies mentioned elsewhere in this issue.



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MARK TWAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Stone & Mulloy, Architects

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SIMILAR, again, to Sunset Center's other principal buildings, the Elementary School is a concrete building with overhanging roofs. However, it has individual windows with projected wood sash rather than the continuous strip windows of the Junior and Senior High Schools. In addition to approving over-all and individual building design, the San Francisco Art Commission has made such helpfully constructive comments as: "In both Elementary and Junior High Schools, parapets at roofs of gymnasium and multi-purpose room might better become overhangs like other roofs. Patterns of trees and planting might be improved, particularly to break up long paved areas. When actual colors are selected, the proposed gray of the concrete might be warmed up." These and numerous other suggestions indicate a continuing intent to make the ultimate Center live up fully to the possibilities now envisioned.

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Construction of Elementary School is scheduled to follow Junior High School in another year or so. Estimated cost: \$1,200,000. Structural engineer: William Adrian. Mechanical Engineers: Garthorne, Buonacorsi & Murray

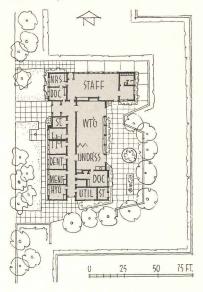
GROUND FLOOR

SUNSET HEALTH CENTER

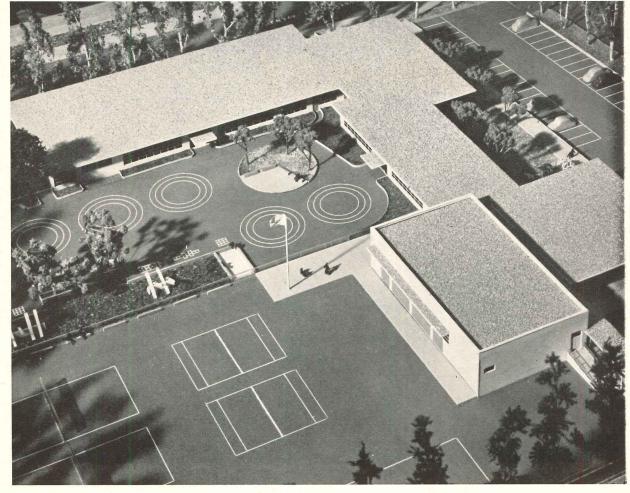
Dodge A. Riedy, Architect



Sunset Center's Health Building is to be the only wood frame structure; exterior will be integrally colored stucco. To be built as soon as regulations permit, it will house a well-baby clinic, public health nurse, etc. Estimated cost: \$100,000.00; land occupied: 0.4 acre







SCHOOLS

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SOME TRENDS IN SCHOOL DESIGN

By Frank G. Lopez, A.I.A.

CERTAIN trends in school design are evident; one sees them forming and interacting everywhere in the country. Despite governmental limitations on the use of metals, we are in the middle of the greatest school building boom in our history. Are the directions design is taking likely to prove permanently beneficial? Are deficiencies also evident? Generally speaking, we believe the answer to both questions to be yes. There are heartening signs, and though many an exploratory concept may eventually prove to have been sterile, the shortcomings which even the best of our work may exhibit are being overcome as our knowledge and capacity are increasingly applied.

I: Cooperation in School Planning

For one thing, it is generally accepted today that school design is a cooperative venture. At the least, an architect of a school can seldom get built his perfect solution of a community's needs; he must modify his ideal, taking into account the notions of the laymen who are empowering him to proceed — and today those notions are more likely to be solidly based than was the case twenty years ago. The member of a school board or building committee is better informed today; there are magazines and books and consultants and experts to keep the committee member abreast of educational and structural developments. Of course some of these are sources of misinformation, too; that can be expected when ideas and action follow each other as rapidly as they now do. There is little time for judicious weighing of merits. Yet the architect must have time to ponder. In his hands is much more than the expenditure of taxpayers' money; the designer of a school is to a greater degree than we commonly realize a molder of coming generations, a shaper of the future physical and cultural status of our nation.

Because ours is a democratic culture, cooperation of many kinds is both possible and desirable in designing and building schools. I do not mean compromise; I mean a pooling of the knowledges and capacities possessed by many individuals and agencies in order to produce the best buildings we can for our times. Nor do I mean that the architect, in cooperating, surrenders his function to become merely a catalyst, or a sort of grease in the gear case of progress. The cooperative process unearths an array of facts which are the basis for design. Without them, a school can be well designed only by accident. Conversely, without the prime architectural function, design, no set of facts can miraculously produce a school.

The school survey is one means of obtaining the necessary facts. It takes a multiplicity of forms. Your New England architect, dealing locally with perhaps the shrewdest, most skeptical group of individualists we have, may be forced to de-emphasize the formal survey (though many exhaustive surveys have been made there) and gain his sets of facts principally through intimate personal knowledge of local customs, preferences, trends — and pocketbooks. The professional educational consultant and services available from schools of education in our universities are well known. Occasionally the consultant, excessively zealous, oversteps his bounds to dictate building forms and even architectural design. Years ago, when few architects knew what educators were talking about, there was justification for such zeal. Nowadays things are different; many school architects have caught up to their opposite numbers in the field of education. Some have, in a manner, surpassed them; there are architects thoroughly competent to conduct complete educational surveys themselves, and a number do. They find the service they render fully appreciated. It is also expensive to the architects who do it. John Hunter, of the firm of Hunter, Caldwell & Campbell, Altoona, Pa., architects with several million dollars' worth of schools on the boards, recently suggested informally that an ideal school survey group would consist of an architect well versed in schools, an educator familiar with architectural problems, and possibly a competent layman from the locality under survey — each with his function clearly defined. That, he believes, would permit true cooperation.

Another type of cooperation exists when a school is used for community purposes. Once considered a way to justify the very great cost of the modern school plant, the practice today is fairly common. Such cooperation, like any other kind, requires imagination, hard work, and knowledge of human nature. There was the Massachusetts architect who persuaded the town fathers not to rebuild their burnt-out town hall, but instead to replace their outmoded school buildings and, in the new structure, to incorporate the modest town offices really needed. There is the magnificent instance of the Sunset Community Center in San Francisco, reported elsewhere in this issue, whose 10-block, 43-acre urban site is being developed jointly by many municipal agencies and several architects. A similar though less comprehensive project has been in progress in Seattle. Particularly in times of high construction costs and materials limitations, this kind of cooperative venture can gain for a city facilities of a quality it might not otherwise obtain.

II: The High School Problem

There are a few instances of research into secondary school building design problems, but these are mostly isolated efforts, seldom coordinated. Everybody realizes how acute the school problem as a whole is; but we have been preoccupied with elementary schools. The recent rise in the national birth rate, of course, is felt there first. In most localities the need at that level is expected to remain acute for a number of years. At the same time, the first-grader of two years ago will be in secondary school in another four to six years. Eight years hence, or at the most ten, all our communities will be howling for high schools, and then groaning at having to pay for them. Indeed, in areas where the population age-level has been advancing, for instance agricultural, mining and other stabilized regions where labor is physical and wages are low, new high schools are equalling if not outnumbering elementary schools.

Research on secondary schools is difficult. Their problems are less standardized than the elementary school's; there are more types. The high school may be junior, senior, or both; it may be a four-year type. It may develop into a junior college. It may have a specialized vocational curriculum or provide pre-collegiate training or one of the many variants of either — or both. Usually it is bigger than the elementary school, costs more to build, operate and maintain, and requires a larger site and greater expenditure for site development. Yet, tough as the problems are, if we do not

tackle them more thoroughly soon we will be wasting a deal of money building high schools that were obsolete before they were designed.

III: One-Story or Two-Story? Daylighting?

Rising construction costs, and the realization that one-story schools need not be fireproof and hence can be less costly, have induced arguments familiar to all of us. All other things being equal, the point has been well proved, we believe. However, seldom is everything exactly equal. On fairly level terrain and a site large enough to spread the school out, the one-story building can be substantially less expensive. On a restricted urban site the school must go up in the air. Land costs prohibit anything else. Again, on a hilly site it is often folly to spend a great deal on grading; site costs can quickly wipe out the theoretical saving shown by one-story designs. The cost of providing foundations on hilly terrain may be very large. Why not use the space thus provided?

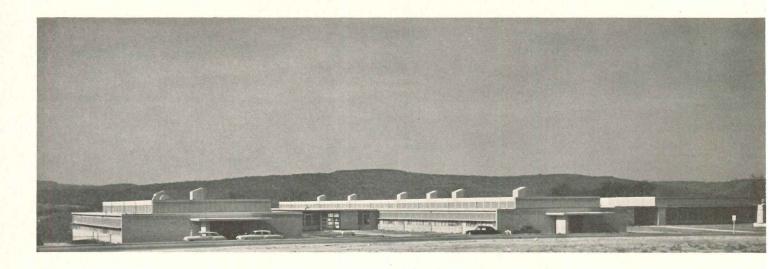
Another factor, quite serious, is the circulation problem. A finger plan for a fairly small elementary school can work quite well. The elementary classroom of today is self-contained; its pupils occupy the one room continuously. There is a tendency, though, to consolidate small schools to reduce expenses. In the large consolidated elementary school, excessive distances from entrances or bus-loading platforms to classrooms, and from classrooms to centrally grouped toilets, are likely to become handicaps. In secondary schools, where students move from room to room at frequent intervals, miles of corridor can constitute a definite drawback.

In more and more localities we can expect substantially less emphasis on daylighting. Natural light is so variable that it can seldom be relied on during the entire school day without considerable recourse to electric light. Control of daylight to prevent glare has been found costly and involved. We probably won't go to the extreme of providing only a narrow vision strip of glass, but need for darkening rooms for visual programs, complexity of daylight control and high construction costs are forcing us somewhat in that direction.

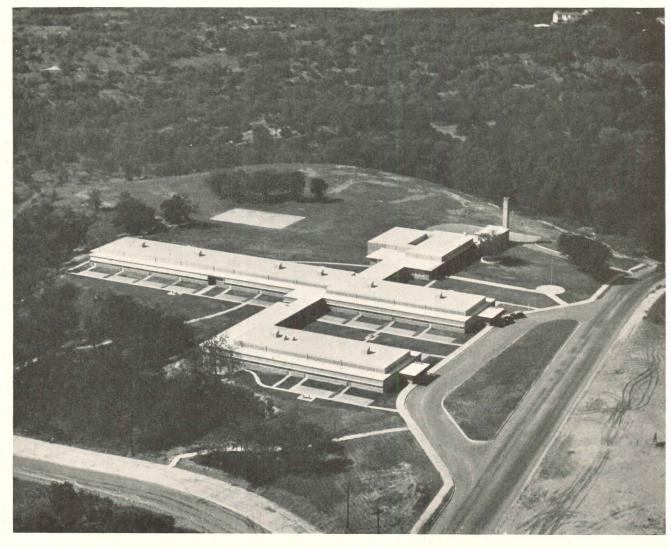
IV: Critical Materials

As this is being written, the U. S. Office of Education is presenting to the Defense Production Agency in Washington requirements for steel, copper and aluminum for schools for the third quarter of 1952. These are based on applications in hand or expected before the beginning of the third quarter. Allocations are expected early in April. The Office of Education states, understandably, that estimating will be facilitated if applications are filed before April 1.

The Office also announces that, in addition to the more than 2000 projects currently under construction (including some college and library buildings), second quarter allocations will permit about 1500 new starts. Steel, copper and aluminum are expected to be scarce through the third quarter.

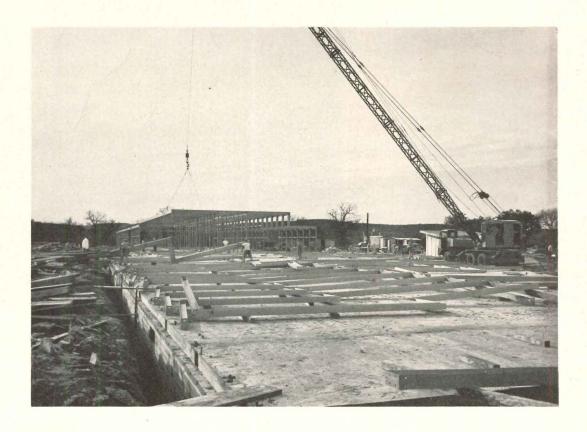


In Casis, while some severely handicapped pupils may never leave treatment rooms, those physically able participate as fully as possible in regular program. University of Texas built and operates special education wing (foreground, below); Austin Board of Education, regular 20-room primary and elementary wings (center)



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NORMAL AND HANDICAPPED CHILDREN TOGETHER

Casis Elementary School, Austin, Texas

Page, Southerland & Page, Architects; Cottingham & Wilson, Structural Engineers; Landauer & Guerrera, Mechanical Engineers

In Design, construction, and operation, Casis School is a cooperative venture of the Austin Board of Education and the University of Texas. Its planning was preceded by invitations to classroom teachers, architects, principals, citizens-at-large, specialists in education of handicapped children and the children themselves, to pool ideas and experiences. Particularly valuable was advice received from numerous faculty members at the University's School of Education, from the Special Education Department of the Austin Public Schools, and from consultants and specialists from the local Cerebral Palsy Committee and Center. Numerous special education schools were studied by the architects. Construction of Casis School, started in 1949, was completed in 1951.

The University's special education wing (see facing page) is a laboratory unit for teacher training. Even though only a portion of the handicapped pupils are able to experience fully the facilities designed primarily

for normal children, the fact that they attend a "regular" school has therapeutic value; it also caused some modifications in design. Corridors throughout the building have handrails and are wider than usual to accommodate children in wheel chairs or on crutches. Bus entrances at both special and primary wings look alike; handicapped children can reach all facilities, indoors or out, without encountering a step. All classrooms have individual toilets; those in special wing and one stall in each public toilet in regular wing are designed for wheel-chair users — a reasonable compromise since the city could not finance special toilets throughout their portion of the building. Similarly, corridor floors are asphalt-tiled, treated with non-skid wax, but not buffed. This reduces psychological hazards presented by a shiny floor, and is a means of preparing handicapped children to face normal flooring outside the school. For the city, it necessitated no abnormal costs for special flooring throughout the whole building.

CASIS SCHOOL, FOR

NORMAL AND HANDICAPPED



ST KITCHEN Special education wing (south wing) takes care of many types of pupils: orthopedic, post-polio, cerebral palsy, hard-of-hearing, deficient eyesight, speech impediment, GYMNASIUM CAFETERIA low vitality such as heart condition caused by rheumatic fever. Note two cot rooms for the latter cases; smaller room is for those requiring longer sleeping periods STAGE PRIN CONF \Box TCHRS 5TH GR 3 º 0R 3 P GR 5 TH GR 5TH GR 13 t. BOOKS LIB 口 100 FT. DK RM STUDY STUDY CONF UNIV OFF SECT 事 POOL UNIVERSITY CR ORTHOPEDIC CR E3E3 CHALKB'D BOOKS TYPICAL CLASSROOM 136

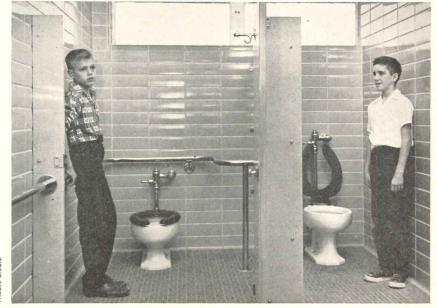




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Special and regular classrooms are as nearly alike as possible, except that special rooms are larger and have the necessary treatment apparatus. Typical classroom plan (bottom left, facing pagel shows standard equipment, economical placing of toilets so each serves boys or girls from two adjoining rooms. Photo at right: public toilet in regular school wing, with wide stall for handicapped children. Two photos above: directional glass block panels in windows and clerestories light interiors of all rooms. Top photo shows regular classroom; center, lip reading (special) room



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CASIS SCHOOL





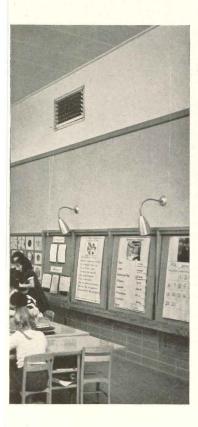
In the special wing, orthopedic room was placed closest to regular classrooms used by special students. It has usual classroom facilities plus handrails with vertical bars for children of different heights. Desks and chairs are specially built for each student in school shop. Physiotherapy room (photo at right) is primarily for exercise and physical training, is used in conjunction with two adjoining hydrotherapy rooms (photo, bottom, facing page); these have radiant-heated floors. Suite even accommodates some stretcher patients. Clinical examination area (plan, preceding page) and speech correction room both adjoin observation room equipped with one-way-vision panels. Speech section contains a sound-isolated, acoustically dead room in which is delicate electrical testing apparatus. In sight-saving room lighting is automatically controlled to maintain a constant level.



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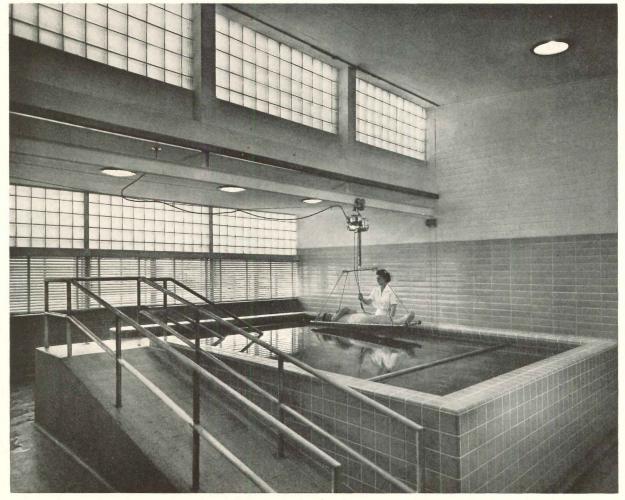
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It should not be forgotten that Casis is preponderantly a school for normal children. Planned for 600 students, it now has 672; 20 of these are full-time pupils in the special wing, 31 part-time in the special wing. Above: typical ''regular'' classroom



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At intervals in corridors, benches are provided lupper left) for handicapped students to rest on; corridors have handrails, non-skid asphalt tile floors (upper right). At left, library charging desk; below, library. Construction is steel frame; reinforced concrete could have been used although little difficulty was experienced in obtaining steel. Roofs are concrete poured on steel decking, with insulating fill

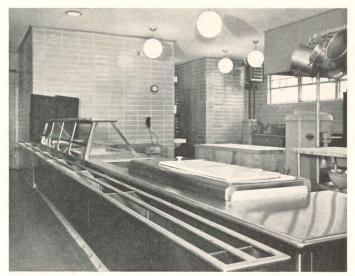




Total cost excluding site and landscaping was \$721,756.50; total sq ft, 61,175; cost per sq ft, \$11.76. Portion built by Austin Board of Education, 46,775 sq ft, cost \$11.61 per sq ft; special wing built by University of Texas, 14,400 sq ft, cost \$11.92 per sq ft. Such factors as joint use of low-pressure steam heating system, use of the special wing's speech correction facilities, etc., for normal students, and joint administrative area, must also be considered in assessing costs

Design of Casis School took 15 months. Texas has provided special funds for educating exceptional children for about six years, but school systems are still proceeding tentatively in planning the buildings needed because not much is yet known positively concerning design requirements; also, specially trained teachers are few in number. In many respects, then, Casis is experimental

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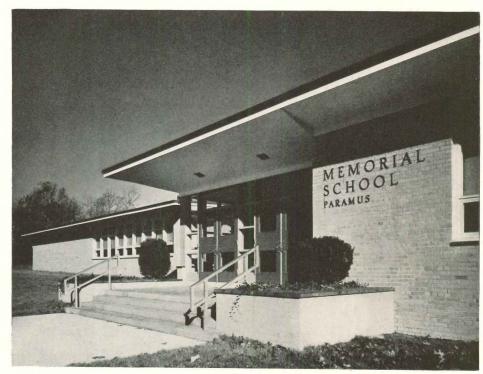


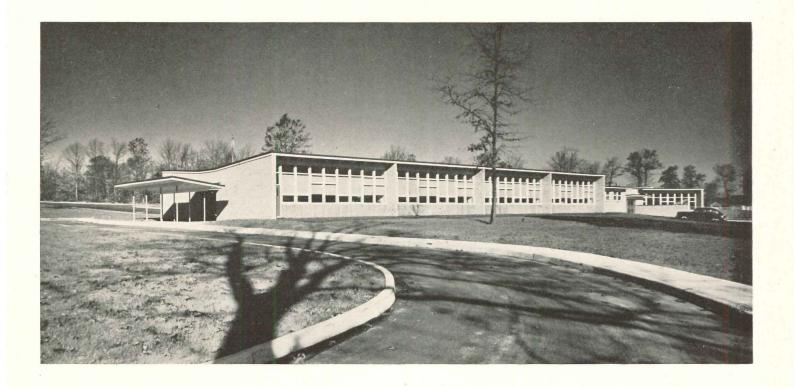
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Planned for kindergarten through eighth grade, Memorial School was designed under New Jersey's old State Schoolhouse Code which did not permit bilateral lighting. In these circumstances its doubleloaded corridor is logical. The dihedral or butterfly roof results in sloping classroom ceilings which help to reflect natural light to inside areas of rooms. General views show, on this page, west wing loffices, cafeteria, library); on facing page, east wall of classroom wing. At right, exterior and interior of lobby at entrance from principal parking area





MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Arthur Rigolo, Architect

Paramus, New Jersey



NOTABLE AS AN EXAMPLE of design quality achieved under an out-dated code, Memorial School was oriented to minimize disturbance from the sun, to follow site contours and to utilize an existing dead-end street as a separate entrance for the kindergarten. There are four different levels in the building, requiring a set of steps and two ramps in corridors.

Another interesting feature is the method of heating and ventilating. Administration areas have floor and ceiling heating panels. Classroom and other areas have both floor heating panels and a warm air supply system. Floor panels, somewhat sluggish in response to demand, are designed to bring indoor temperature up to 50 F at an outdoor temperature of 0 F. The quickly responsive warm air system, taking up the balance of the load, heats classrooms to 70 F. To accomplish this there are two parallel ducts along window walls of classroom wing. Warm fresh air enters rooms from the outer (supply) duct via continuous slots in window sills. Slots have adjustable dampers. Return air enters inner (return) duct through grilles in toe-spaces of cabinets. Supply and return fans are centrally located.

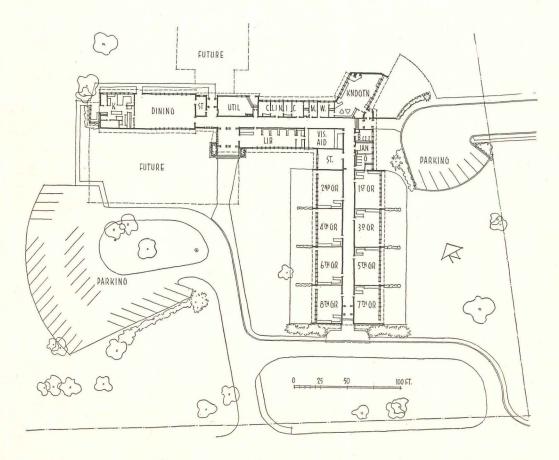
Completed in September 1951, the school cost \$401,117.20, excluding furniture and fees but including site work, sewage disposal plant, and mechanical and electrical systems laid out to serve the present building and anticipated additions.



MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL









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In plan, note library next to lobby, convenient for public use; also, library work room which serves visual aids room as well. One corridor ramp is placed so entrances at both ends of sloping floor of visual aids room are entered on a level. At intervals in corridor ceilings, plastic bubble skylights are placed off center over drinking fountains, bulletin boards, etc. In photos of typical classrooms (facing page and left) is shown work centercoat storage area. Kindergarten (photo below) is placed at angle to catch more sun; in its window sills the warm air supply slots are visible

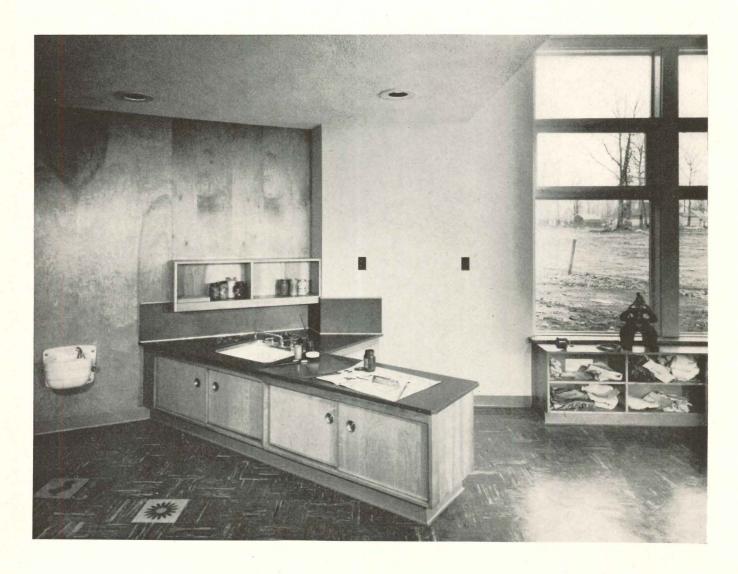


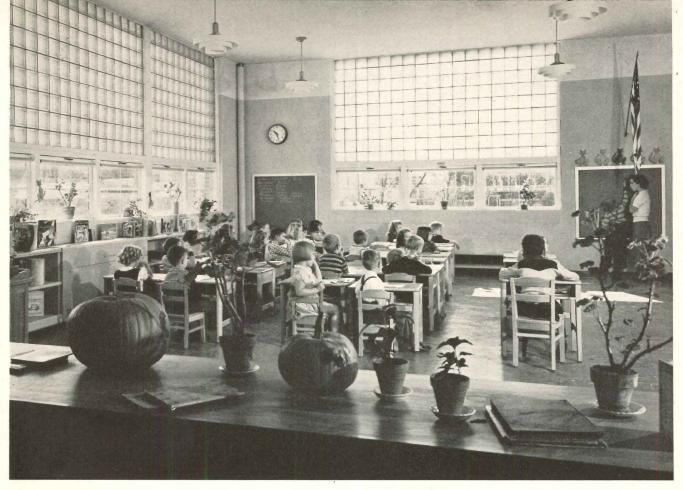
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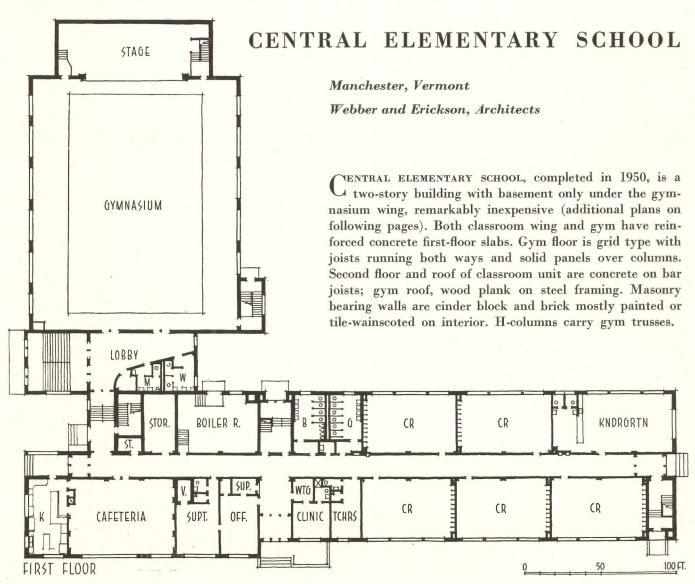
Kindergarten clothing area (right) and sink counter (below) demonstrate quality of interior finish. Walls are cinder block with plaster and face brick, with interiors generally off-white except that the front wall in each room is painted a distinctive color. Woodwork is birch. The anticipated addition to the school is currently in working drawing stage



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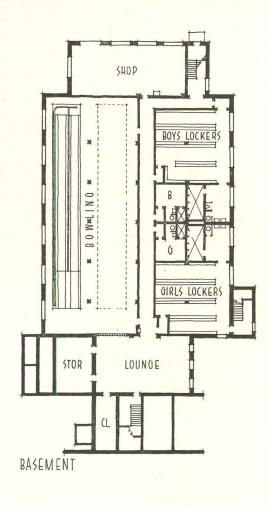












COST DATA

Classroom Wing	Gymnasium		
First floor 13,638 sq ft	Lower floor10,672 sq ft		
Second floor 11,909 sq ft	Main floor10,672 sq ft		
Totals25,547 sq ft	21,344 sq ft		
Cost: \$303,242, or	Cost: \$154,865, or		
\$11.87 per sq ft	\$7.26 per sq ft		

Cost for both buildings: Total sqft, 46,891; total cost, \$458,107, or \$9.78 per sqft. Maximum number of students permitted by state law is 507, making cost (both buildings) approx. \$904 per pupil. Desirable maximum capacity, at 25 sqft per pupil, is 402.

STEEL TONNAGE REQUIRED

	School	Gymnasium	Total
Structural 1	62	34	96
Bar Joists	53	. 4	57
Reinforcing	24	31	55
Miscellaneous ²	-	— аррг	ox. 3.5
Totals	139	69	211.5

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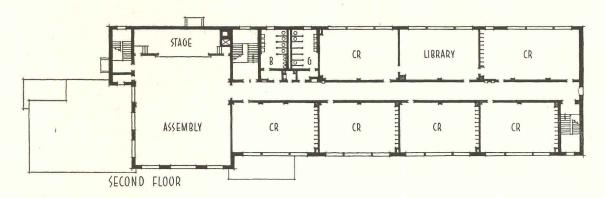
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Classroom wing roof slab is covered with fill insulation. Windows are directional glass block with steel sash; exterior sills are marble, available locally. Ceilings are acoustic plaster, chalk boards green on cement asbestos board with aluminum trim and chalk trays. Boilers are oil-fired. Ventilation is forced, through classroom lockers



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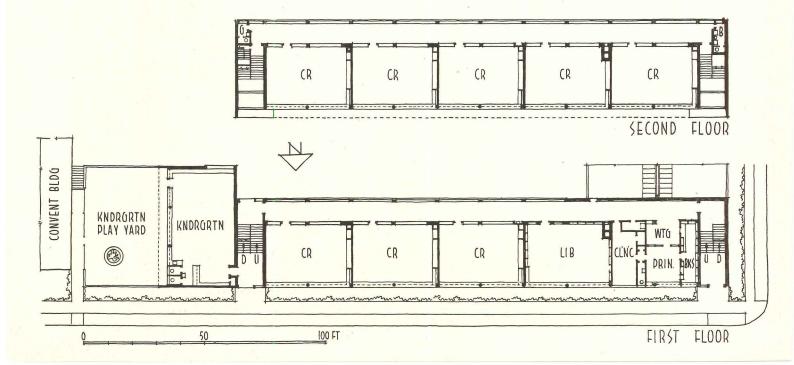
All Souls' School, South San Francisco, Calif.

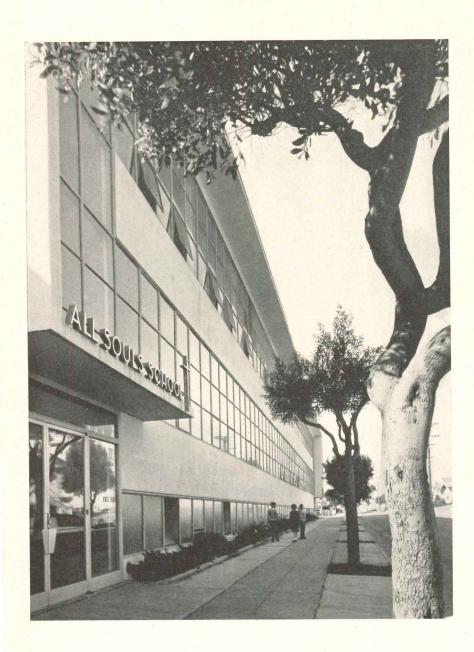
SITE REQUIRES TWO-STORY SCHOOL

Mario J. Ciampi, Architect

THE SITE OF THIS PAROCHIAL SCHOOL is quite limited. Immediately to the east is the church; the land slopes sharply from north to south; the plot is in the center of a densely populated residential area serving industries on the outskirts of the city. Prevailing winds are from the northwest. The classroom wing was placed along Miller Avenue so the rooms would face north and at the same time bar wind from the play yard. A gymnasium wing

designed for future construction on the Spruce Avenue side will also help shield the play yard. To accomplish all these purposes and to provide the necessary eight classrooms, kindergarten and library, a two-story building was required; this in turn meant incombustible construction — reinforced concrete with concrete floor joists and roof slab. Construction was completed in November 1949.







The pre-existing church and rectory adjoining this parochial school are of Gothic design. However, it was recognized that the school should be contemporary both to insure satisfactory, up-to-date educational facilities and to obtain an efficient, economical school plant. For uniformity's sake the architectural concrete of the school walls is painted a warm gray. Against this background color is employed quite liberally because the project is located in an area which has considerable fog during the year. The steel sash are painted bright yellow, and the interior stucco and paint colors are also bright. The two street entrances are aluminum and glass.

The two upper floors, shown in plan on the preceding page, contain eight classrooms, library and administrative office. The lowest floor (plan not shown) is fully exposed on the south or playground side because the land slopes sharply. On this level are cafeteria, boiler room and toilets, directly accessible from the playground. The limited site means a small area for the playground. This and the varied ages of the children has entailed split recesses. Corridors on playground side help insulate classrooms from noise of children playing on the relatively small grounds.

CONSTRUCTION COSTS

General construction	\$249,959
Plumbing	15,691
Heating and ventilating	17,951
Electrical	9,539
Kitchen equipment	4,662
Total cost of project	.\$297,802
Total area; 23,739 sq ft; cost per sq ft	\$12.60







Single-loaded corridor scheme was adopted for several reasons: to orient all classrooms uniformly to the north; to permit corridors to become protective sunshades on the south; to provide a buffer between noisy playground area and classrooms. Continuous borrowed lights in corridor wall assure bilaterally lit classrooms



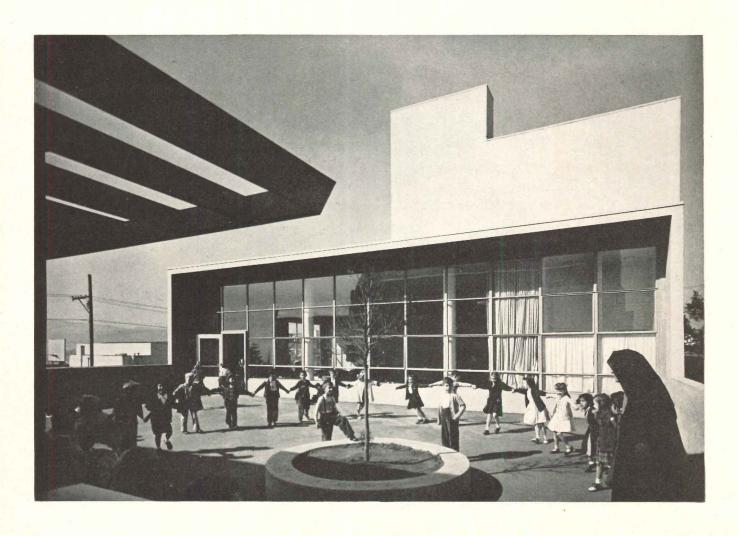
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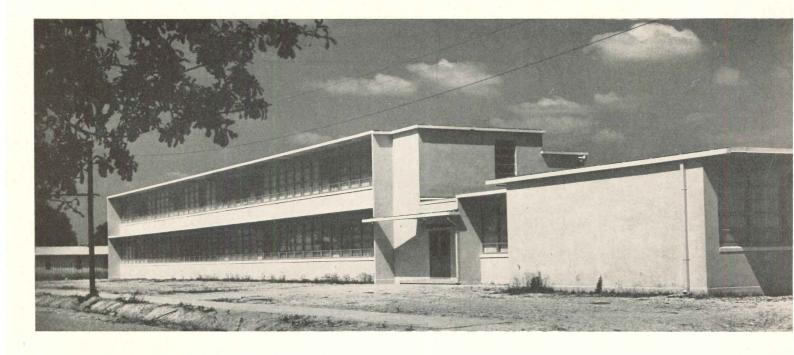


Above: typical classroom; right, playground. Below, kindergarten, all on one level. Only in this room are drapes needed for natural light control; interior space, flexibility, etc., were thought more important than perfect orientation



ALL SOULS' SCHOOL





NORTH SCOTLANDVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Scotlandville, Louisiana

Bodman & Murrell, Architects

A site, this school is a complete six-grade elementary plant for 500 pupils in a heavily populated suburban area. The level site faces a heavily traveled street and has secondary streets on two sides. Building was placed at front of site with play areas at rear. This is the first school in this part of Louisiana to have open corridors

(on two stories), though others have since been planned. Construction is steel frame with concrete slabs on bar joists, lightweight concrete block walls stuccoed on exterior and exposed indoors, lightweight insulated roof-slab, steel projected windows, asphalt tile floors. Built in 1949, it cost (excluding land) \$280,500.00, or \$9.02 per sq ft.



W. F. Farrell

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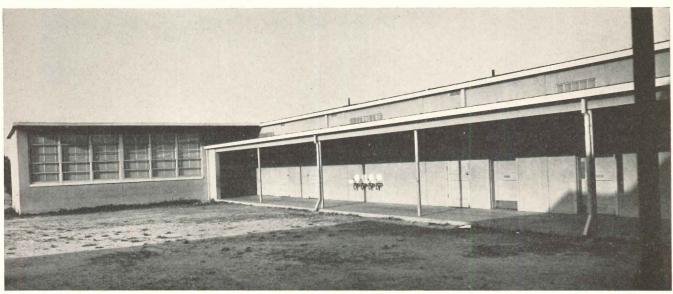
NORTH SCOTLANDVILLE SCHOOL

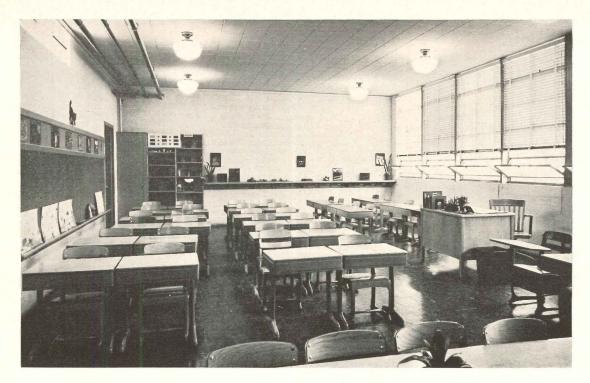


Gym-auditorium (left, below) is separated from cafeteria by folding partition to increase area for occasional uses. This space, mechanically ventilated, has no windows but does get natural light through glass block panels. Bottom photo shows 1st and 2nd grade east wing where classrooms are large, have individual toilets

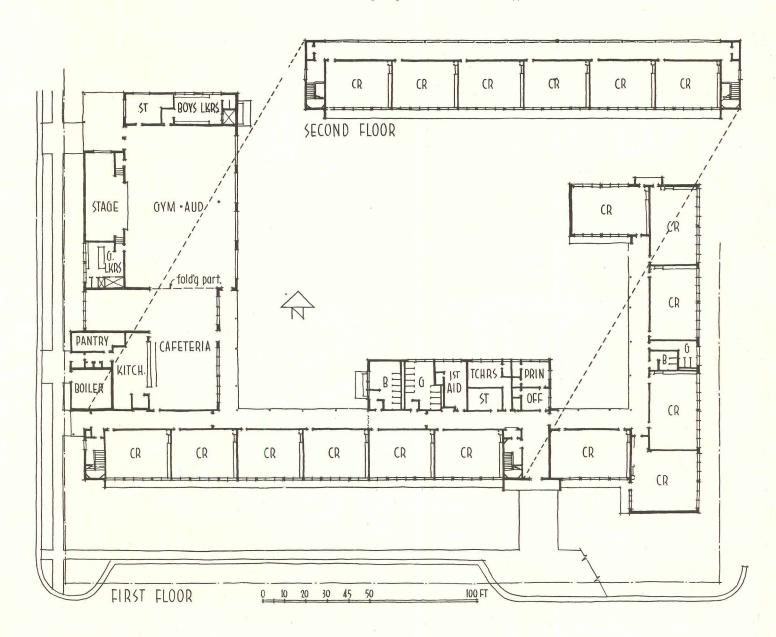








Typical classroom, above, has clerestories on corridor side for bilateral light and ventilation. Note acoustic ceiling, flush wood doors, incandescent lighting. Millwork is natural cypress



12 GRADES AND COMMUNITY CENTER

Muenster School, Muenster, Texas

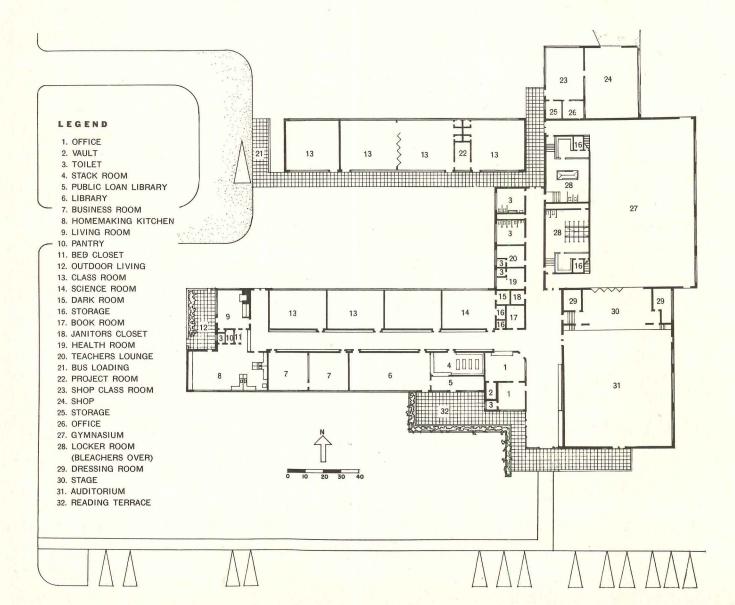
Stanley Brown, Architect

MUENSTER SCHOOL is both an elementary and a high school. Most of the community's children attend a local parochial school, so only four elementary classrooms were needed. The parochial school also furnishes lunch room service for the public school. The school library serves also as Muenster's public library. The gymnasium, the only one in town, is in constant use.

The open-corridor elementary wing has louvered clerestories above the low corridor and clear glazed windows shielded by the corridor roof. North windows are protected against sky glare by a wide overhang. Private toilets are provided for the two lowest grades. To improve circulation and reduce cost, the high school wing has a double-loaded corridor; secondary students change classes often. All rooms, laboratories, etc., have full complements of up-to date equipment. Notable is

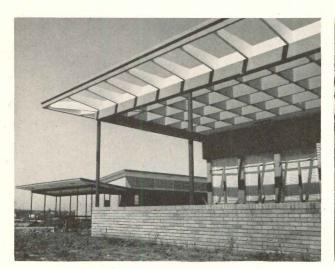
the porch of the home-making suite where outdoor living, so prevalent in Texas, is experienced.

Total cost, on a fixed-fee contract and including land, equipment, site work, and architect's fee, was \$300, 000.00; square footage totaled 36,198, or \$7.25 per sq ft including all fees. Construction is brick veneer, semi-fireproof, with plastered interior walls, fiberboard ceilings, concrete floors covered with asphalt tile, suspended unit heaters, natural ventilation, incandescent lighting, and complete sound and program systems. The school was built in 1950; the architect says that under today's limitations steel used to frame corridor roofs would be replaced with laminated wood members; there is little other structural steel and a minimum of copper or aluminum. The change, he says, would not materially affect construction cost or insurance rates.





Above, view from west. Two photos below, porch of home-making suite



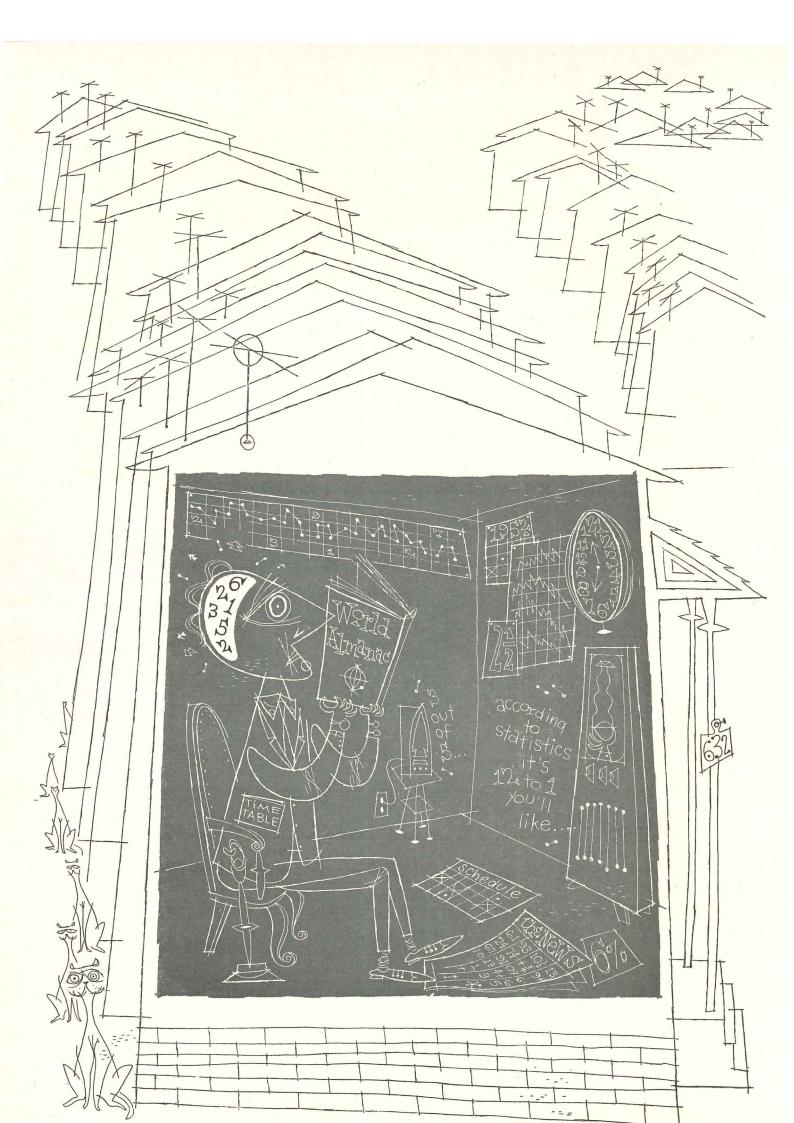






Above, left, home-making kitchen; right, elementary project room. Below, elementary wing and bus platform at left, high school wing at right





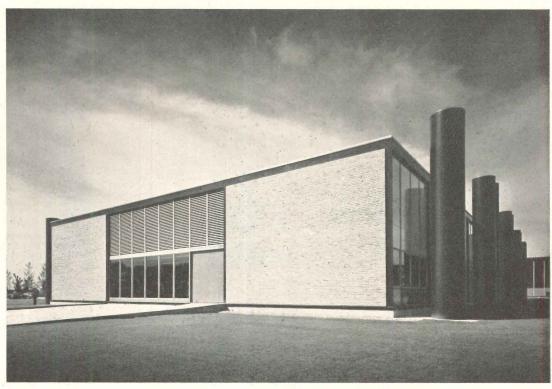


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G.M. Technical Center Dynamometer Building, Saarinen and Associates, Architects

"General Motors thinks its new plants should be at least as good an industrial product as a Cadillac . . . not a Model T"

THE EVALUATION OF ARCHITECTURE

By Henry S. Churchill, F.A.I.A.

"We are told . . . it is Society for whom we are building, an anthropomorphic statistic"

Drawing by Tom Ballinger

RCHITECTURE, we all are well aware, is a many-sided $oldsymbol{A}$ profession, partly an art, partly a technique, partly a business. We expect to find in it the long-term esthetic values that are associated with the fine arts, and at the same time to demand that it fulfil the needs of the immediate present. If we consider it primarily a profession, the increase in specialization which is characteristic of highly industrial techniques makes it impossible for all except a very few individuals to know all they need to know. Technical design then becomes a matter of cooperation and coordination. If we consider it primarily an art, personal direction and vision are all important. If we consider it primarily a business, considerations of the market place and resultant compromises are paramount. All this, as I said, is common knowledge, and would hardly be worth repeating except



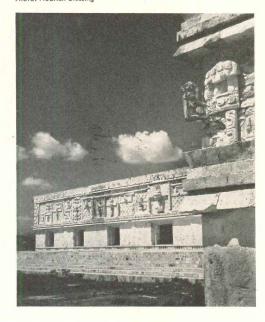
McKim, Mead and White, Architects

"In the immediate past this expression was associated with the status of classical eclecticism — the Penn Station . . . the Museum of Modern Art"



Philip Goodwin, Architect

Photo: Hedrich-Blessing



"The ruins of the Maya stir us and trouble us deeply, even though we know nothing, except conjecturally, of their uses"

that since we still largely believe, and to a great extent teach, that Architecture is an Art, some aspects of the resulting confusion of thought on the subject — particularly critical thought — are worth a little probing. By what standards should we judge or be judged? What should teachers, critics, historians accept as the function of the architect and his work?

It should be remembered that architecture has always been schizoid. Its immediate purpose has always been to produce sound shelter; at the same time, if the architect is to maintain a practice and earn a livelihood he must satisfy either the client's desire for profit or his pride, or both. No architect ever could — or can — continue to be an architect without clients. Therefore his accomplishment as a master of fine arts depends in a very large degree as much on the quality of the client as it does on the architect's creative abilities.

In this respect architecture resembles commercial art. Although it is more complicated and far more subtle, it still is, for the client, a form of advertising and a method of establishing status. Johnson's Wax found its original investment in Frank Lloyd Wright very well worth while, and came back for more. General Motors thinks its new plants should be at least as good an

industrial product as a Cadillac, something not at all in the category of a Model T. New York Life, with millions of policyholders, thinks its equity investments should produce good will as well as have long-term safety, and equates these with a good living environment. These are all sound commercial motives finding appropriate contemporary expression. In the immediate past this expression was associated with the status of classical eclecticism — the Penn Station, the Frick Mansion, the National Gallery, the Museum of Modern Art. Eclecticism is now outmoded because the newly acquired personal wealth which sponsored it, unsure of itself and seeking security and status in the true and tried forms of Europe's critically accepted and established cultural tradition, no longer exists as personal wealth. Wealth is now corporate, looks to its stockholders and the public for support. Corporate wealth finds in its own techniques the materials and sources for its structural forms and willingly accepts them because, at last, as a nation we have collectively accepted our civilization as based on technology and not on culture in the abstract.

Nevertheless it still remains easier, critically (and pedagogically) to judge the past than to forgive the

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Tugendhat House, Mies Van Der Rohe, Architect





General Petroleum Building, Los Angeles; Welton Becket, Architect



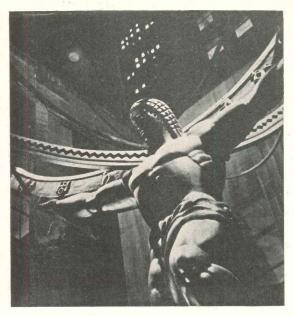
present. We are still confused as to what architecture is. We look at the Parthenon sub specie aeternitatis, detachedly as Art, not as shelter. We are not concerned as to whether the roof leaked or not, nor worried by the lack of public toilets. The ruins of the Maya stir us and trouble us deeply even though we know nothing, except conjecturally, of their uses. But when we look at the architecture of today we are confused between the values we attach to techniques and practical purposes, of which we are proud, and those values we attach to emotional experience, which we are afraid of. Wright's roofs leak, so it is said, and the accusation becomes a sneer dampening the esthetic vibration; Mies creates a house which is an objet d'art, as impersonal and beautiful as a Sung vase. We ask, is it a Home, would you want to live in it? The emotion is deflated, we are relieved. Another house, a Home, may provide all the creature comforts and be as dull as a dead frog; an office building may have the latest system for recirculating stale air, be complete with brise-soleils, slab ends, and escalators and still be a collection of unorganized cliches. We admire the technical accomplishment and are not disturbed. Run-of-the-mill building has no characteristics at all. It is practical, it is competent and, above all, it pays off. We admire that most of all, for that too is a value judgment in our society. Nor can we overlook, in thinking out our confusion, those other values imposed on us by Mumford and his school—social values, the place and function of a structure in relation to society-as-a-whole. This is an approach which has been growing in importance because, we are told, it is Society for whom we are really building, an anthropomorphic statistic. So we arrive at a point of view toward architecture not too remote from the moral values of Ruskin.

These confusions of external and alien values are, again, like those of the commercial arts, the creation of which depends on acceptance by the client for the purpose of obtaining public approval of himself or his product. They do not apply to the so-called fine arts, except perhaps in some minor degree, since in general the artist is concerned primarily with the expression of spiritual or prophetic values which may or may not be at once accepted by the public. Also, the costs of production are relatively low, are more often than not assumed by the artist and therefore are not a barrier to major creative effort since he remains relatively independent. Confusion as to creative purpose certainly

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Sert Mural, R.C.A. Building





Atlas, International Building, Rockefeller Center; Lee Lawrie, Sculptor





Left: "Murals . . . are precisely what architecture is, a public art judged by contemporary values . . . Sculpture at its best and worst, too . . . is an adjunct to architecture or, if not, is at least set in its midst." Above: "The arts have accepted and been influenced by African Negro (art)." "There is no question that Cassandre is a greater artist than the man who does Miss Rheinpuss"

does not apply to music, of which architecture is supposed to be the frozen image; nor to poetry, which is the art of prophecy; nor to painting, except perhaps to the great murals, which extend from Siqueiros back to the caves of Altamira and which are precisely what architecture is, a public art judged by contemporary values before taking their place in the critical hierarchy; nor to sculpture which at its best is an adjunct to architecture (at its worst, too!), or if not an adjunct is at least set in its midst. The critical confusions that do beset these arts are all within the ideology of Art, not confusions as to their economic use, their social purpose, or their technological performance.

The arts have accepted and valued and been influenced by African Negro music, Andaman idols, hieratic symbolism, the painting of the insane and the poetry of the feeble-minded. Architecture cannot succumb to the hut, the cave or the igloo, no matter how charged with esthetic significance these forms may suddenly become.

Contemporary architecture does not have the same goals as the contemporary fine arts, and requires a different set of critical standards. A re-appraisal of the history of architecture is sorely needed, and a new attitude toward the relation of architecture to art and society on the part of critics and teachers. Architecture is a contemporary commercial art (using contemporary in the sense that socially the art and architecture of any period are contemporary to that period), and it is also an essential artifact for the use of people and an essential symbol of status or profit. The other arts may be safely ignored by practical men, since they serve no "practical" purpose. They may be allowed to wither in museums or deteriorate to the pages of the comics, the sound and fury of the screen, or the advertising pages of the slicks. Since architecture is essential, all it needs in order to flourish is architects. This truism is the heart of the matter, because the architect cannot be other than a product of his time. Unlike other artists he is rarely a seer or a prophet, and in this he resembles the commercial artist. The term is not meant to be derogatory. It merely limits the qualifications of the artist, excluding that peculiar gift of inner vision that characterizes the fine arts, and has nothing to do with quality, of which there are all degrees. There is no question, for instance, that Cassandre is a greater artist than the Post Office, Miami .Fla.





Old State Capitol, Frankfort, Ky., Giedion Shryock, Architect

Two houses by Frank Lloyd Wright, 1895, 1900





Left, top: ''. . . the architect cannot express his hopes for the non-existent;'' bottom: ''. . . the unconscious summing-up of the best qualities of a period.'' Above: ''. . . the architect can go no faster than he is permitted to go, not by his ability or technique, but by his client''

man who does Miss Rheinpuss; or that Rodgers, like Verdi, is better than the juke-box balladeer. The architect, like these, does not reveal new worlds but makes visible the glories of this in which he lives, for whose immediate needs he contrives his structures. His is the unconscious summing up of the best qualities of a period — Litchfield, Conn., let us say; the capitol in Columbus, Ohio, a masterpiece of its kind; the University Club in New York. But it takes the perspective of time to recognize them, to let the unconscious summing up of the worst qualities fade away: the slums of the mill towns, the neo-gothic monstrosities, the Jefferson Memorial, and housing projects.

If the contemporary world has no glory because it has no spirit, its leaders no ambition for anything except material gain, no flame of faith and little honor, the architect cannot express his hopes for the non-existent. The poet can prophesy, the writer can damn the follies of his time and describe Utopia, the musician can hear the spheres sing and the painter paint visions of heaven and earth. The architect must build, and what he builds is the image of the world around him as his client sees it, no more, no less.

This immediacy, this lack of transcendency, is not a handicap to the architect; it is part of his essence to understand his world in its essence, and to transform it into form. The thirteenth century cathedrals summed up the conquest of the Church over the mind and the souls of the people, the sure and certain hope. They did not foretell the Renaissance, the new invading spirit already manifest in the writings of Abelard and the unrest in Albi. Nor did Versailles at the acme of the power of the State presage the fall of the Bastille, although discontent was rife. There is no hint of the Industrial Revolution to be found in the work of the brothers Adam, although they heard the thump of the Newcomen engine. Wright and Mies — and who else? — are closing a period, or perhaps they are transitionals, like Brunelleschi and Schinkel. New attitudes are evident in the use industry is making of the architect — and the use he is making of industry — in, for example, the G. E. Technical Center or the Corning Glass works. Follow the line of evolution from Albert Kahn's factories through the "monumental industrial" of Wank's TVA work to the Technical Center, and it is clear that the architect can go no faster than he is per-







Junior High School, Huntington, W. Va.



". . . the school is no longer a monument to the School Board, it is a place for children; the "efficiency" of the huge consolidated school is bound to be not so efficient educationally as the inefficient small school'



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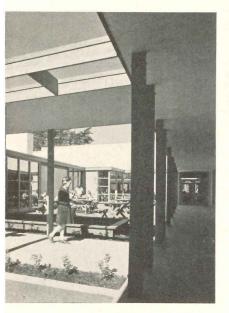
"No progress has been made in housing since 1937, when the pattern of mediocrity was frozen by Washington." Top: 1938; bottom: 1950

mitted to go, not by his ability or technique, but by his client. That no progress has been made in "housing" since 1937, when the pattern of mediocrity was frozen by Washington, is due to the same circumstance.

Another factor that influences the work of commercial artists is the "climate" of public opinion to which sponsors (clients) respond. How and why this "climate" changes is something for the social psychologists to explain, but change it does, as can be simply seen by comparing Godey's Lady's Book (text and ads) to the Woman's Home Companion. The climate, as it most closely affects the architect, is shifting from an exclusive concern with economics to a concern with human values. This is causing a shift from abstract grandeur as a symbol of wealth or power status to an entirely different set of concepts. Status always has been and always will be of paramount importance to the owner. It is what places him socially and determines the size of his mortgage. What he builds is the visible symbol of prestige; he picks his architect to that end. Versailles had to be bigger and better because Louis XIV had to have assurance not only of his place in the sun but a permanent world in which he was the sun. It is this that is the real economic determinant of architectural

stylishness, the source of the millionaires' Italian palazzi, the merchants' Tudor houses, the Cape Cod suburb, the altitude race between the Chrysler Building and the Empire State, the prominence of Promontory and the fad for brise-soleils. And now, "Humanity — Our Client."

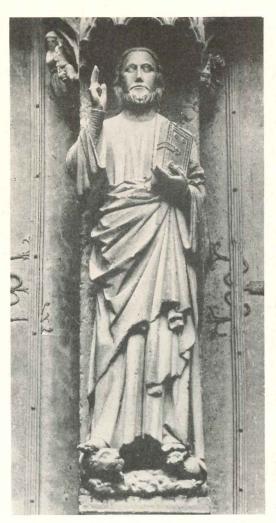
The difficulty, so far, is that this new client does not exist except as a faceless statistic. The faceless client of the Middle Ages, God, existed in men's hearts and was personified by the Church. Humanity, people, seem to be coming into men's minds but as yet no one represents them unless it be the bureaucracy of government agencies, something to give us pause if we care at all about architecture as an art. The faceless abstraction of The People must grow a face, must become a symbol. This may come about in the course of time — the influence of the idea is already becoming apparent, the idea that the needs of the people who use buildings are at least as important as the material welfare or aggrandizement of the specific owner. It shows in many ways: the school is no longer a monument to the School Board, it is a place for children; the "efficiency" of the huge consolidated school is found to be not so efficient educationally as the inefficient small school. The facLever House, New York; Skidmore, Owings and Merrill, Architects



Katherine Burke School, San Francisco Kirby-Mulvin, Architects



Above: 'The product of the huge anonymous office may be very fine . . . but it is a technical fineness like that of a machine.' Right: 'The faceless client of the Middle Ages, God, existed in men's hearts and was personified by the church'



The "Beau Dieu" of Amiens

tory, however pretentious the administrative building may be, is planned for the worker as well as for the machine, sometimes even for the public. Housing, including an increasing share of speculative housing, is more and more being planned with an eye for a complete living environment. The hospital, even, admits that patients are people and the doctors something, if not much, less than god. The new aspect and the new scale are beginning to creep into the design of office buildings, the last stronghold of economic determinism.

The problem for the architect is what part should he and can he play in this transformation, what attitude shall he take, what role shall he play? Shall he remain passive, and as a business man do nothing but accept his client's wishes, caring little whether the client is Business, Bureaucracy or Humanity? Is it enough that he remain an accomplished technician, riding herd on new structural materials, new methods of assembling new materials, nibbling at the edges of the sciences of acoustics, meteorology and what not? Can he dominate the scene, create an Architecture by active promotion of the forces in politics and life that are receptive to Architecture? These are most important questions, perhaps not answerable except as thought turns into

action and into teaching of what architecture has been and is in relation to the total culture of its time.

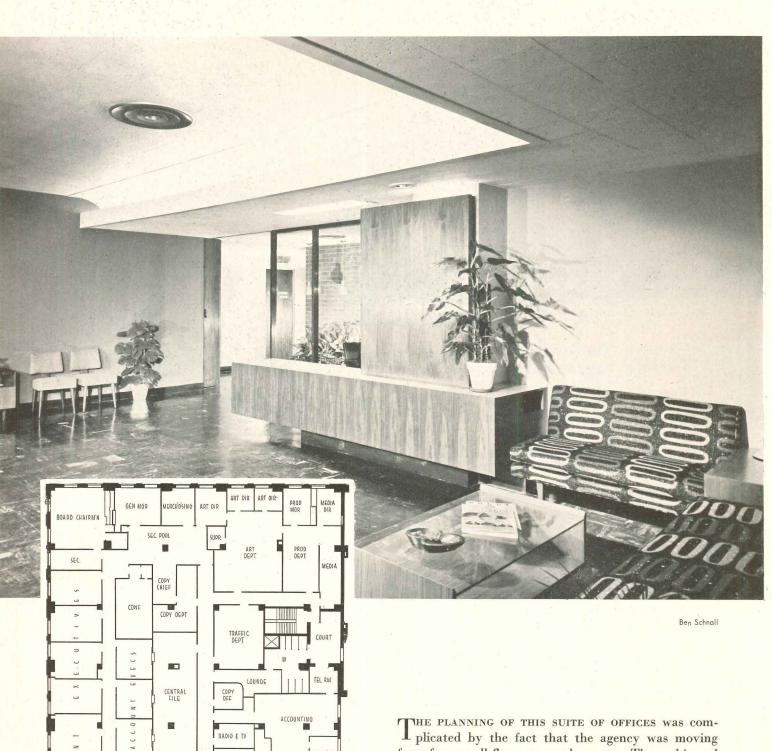
The answer is not, to my mind, the pat answer of "collaboration." The product of collaboration, the product of the huge anonymous office, leaves one cold. It may be a very fine product indeed, like Lever House, but it is an intellectual, a technical fineness like that of a machine, totally different from the quality of, let us say, Taliesin, or a work by Rouault. To have great emotional strength a work must be the product of a burning conviction, unquenched by collaborative compromise. This conviction may indeed seem collaborative, as in the cathedrals; but the unanimity of faith in those days, the unifying symbolism of the Church, was so great that all purpose was directed toward one end. That is not so today, but today, as then, the artistic greatness of the architect, the artistic value of his product, depends neither on collaboration nor on rugged individualism, but on his sensitivity as an interpreter of his client and of his time.

If Humanity is to be the client — and I believe that is so — the question for the architect is What Kind of Humanity? And that, indeed, is the question of our time. . . .

NEW OFFICES EMPHASIZE COORDINATION

Offices of Sterling Advertising Agency, Inc.

New York City



The planning of this suite of offices was complicated by the fact that the agency was moving from four small floors to one large one. The architects' first task, therefore, was to set up a logical and space-saving traffic pattern for interdepartmental operations. In addition, they were asked to provide a new centralized filing system for art work, etc., and to give the account executives attractive and functional quarters. The architects also served as decorators, and designed much of the furniture for the executive offices (see pages 170–171).

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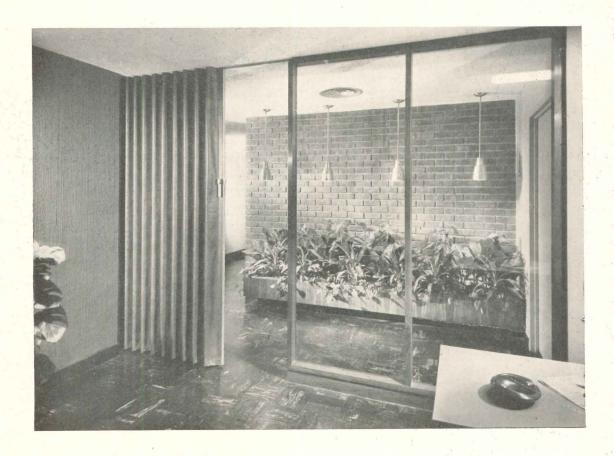
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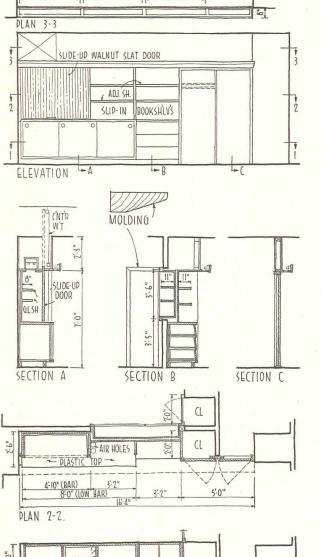


Above: left, conference room; right, corridor between offices of account executives and their assistants. Opposite and below: reception room and entrance foyer. Ceilings throughout are suspended, with acoustical tile block. Floors are rubber tile in reception room, corridors and work areas, carpeted in executive offices



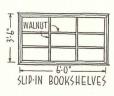


For the executive offices the architects designed special units for various kinds of storage. Wall unit above and below provides space for everything from coats to hospitality items

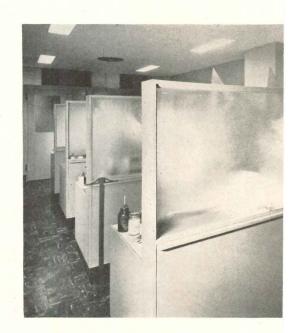




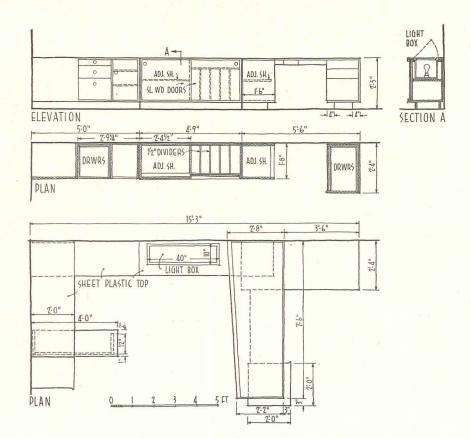
The typical account executive's office labove and opposite) has wall rack and cork bulletin board for presentations and display. Art department (below) is partitioned into individual cubicles to give each member of the staff privacy and tack-up space



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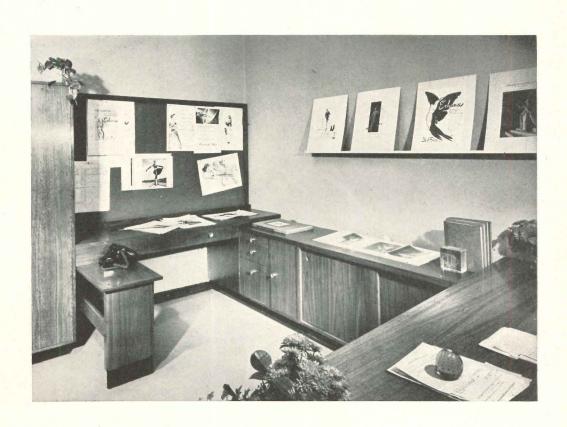


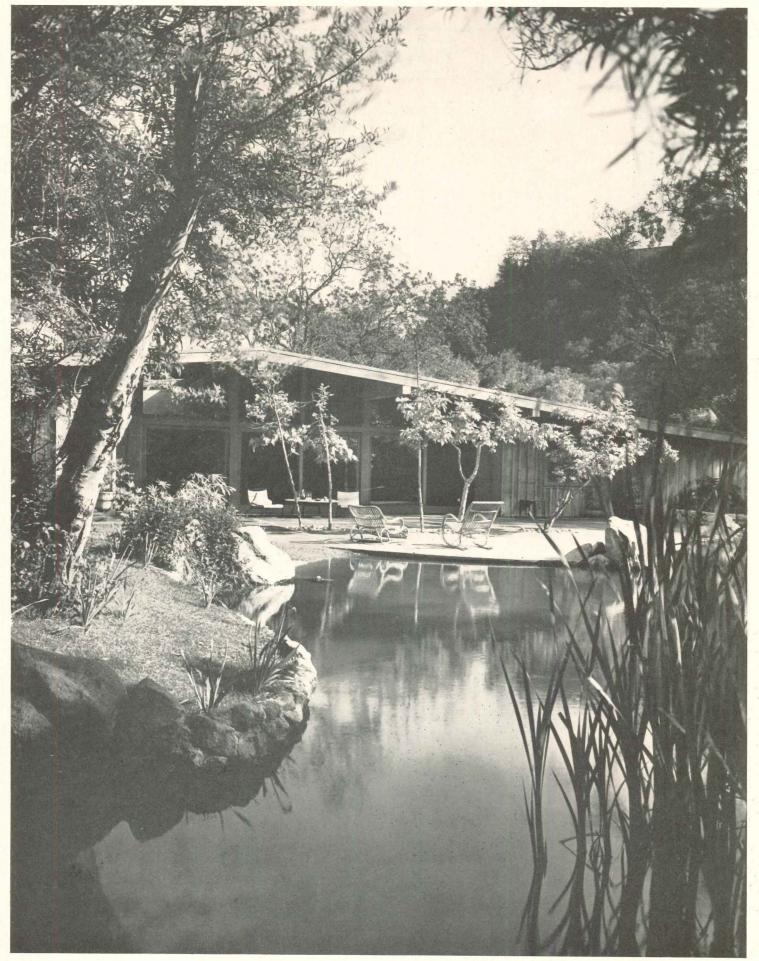


Account executives' work area, specially designed by the architects, consists of work desk with drawers and storage space, a 7-ft long conference desk, vertical and horizontal storage cabinets, and a built-in light table

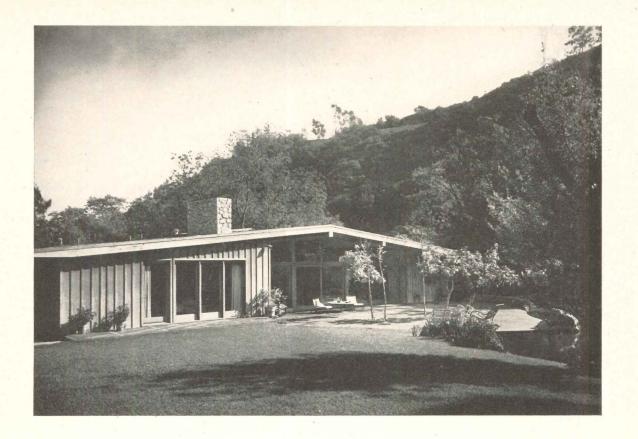


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Maynard Parker



FOUR HOUSES WITH EXCELLENT SITES

1. CALIFORNIA: LANDSCAPED CANYON

Residence of Mrs. Zola Hall, Los Angeles

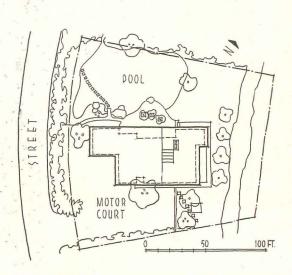
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Edward Huntsman, Landscape Architect

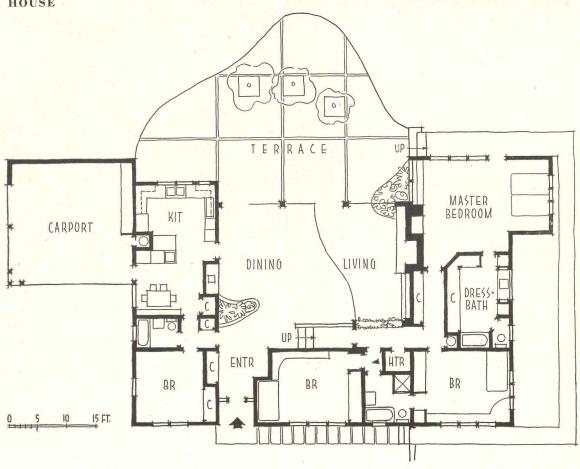
This california house was designed not only around a lovely site, but around a natural landscaping plan as well. The canyon in which it is located was once used for a botanical project; much of the planting and the foundations of the pool were already in place when the owner bought the property.

The house was placed with its long side facing the pool; living room and master bedroom are on this side, opening to a terrace cantilevered over the pool. The children's rooms are close to the main entrance. Since the children are still small, ease of maintenance was an important consideration in the design of the house, and especially in the selection of materials. The entrance hall, for instance, is floored with acid-stained concrete; rough troweled and waxed, to minimize the carrying of dirt into the main part of the house.

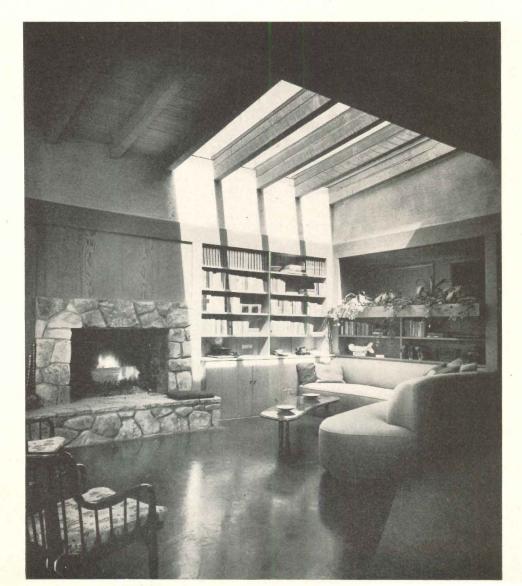
Construction is wood frame on concrete foundation. Exterior walls are random width, saw-surfaced redwood. The house won an Honor Award in the recent Southern California A.I.A. Honor Awards Program.



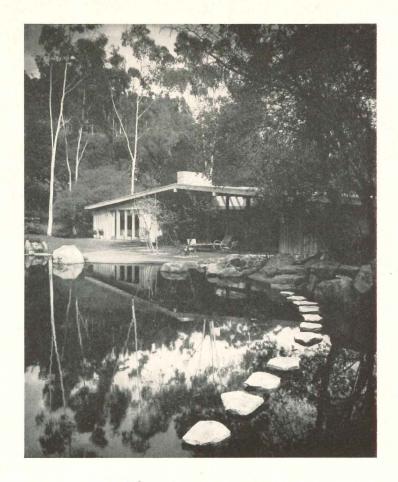




Skylight in living room was an afterthought, the architect says. "During construction," she explains, "tops of eucalyptus trees were visible between rafters and were so effective that we installed clear, polished wire-glass instead of sheathing and roofing." Living room ceiling is Douglas fir, saw-surfaced and painted one coat, then wiped off to give a gray stained look; walls are redwood



One of owner's requirements was a housekeeper's room strategically located for supervision of the children, and suitable for future family use if desired; placement next to kitchen and across entrance hall from children's rooms was ideal solution. Bedroom hall was opened up with planting box and rail to add to apparent size of living room and at same time bring light to the hall. A motion picture screen on a roller is installed above the bar in dining area (see plan); projector is operated from closet in hall at opposite end of the room, with bookcase conceiling projector ports. Note excellent storage space all through the house, and convenient pass-through from kitchen to terrace



Maynard L. Parker



2. MASSACHUSETTS: ROLLING HILLS



Residence of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keep

Williamstown, Massachusetts

E. H. and M. K. Hunter, Architects

Labove, it is not hard to imagine why the owner laid down as his chief requirement a house with an open feeling.

The architects used the sloping site for a living room wing of one and a half stories and a two-story kitchenbedroom wing. The desired openness was achieved mainly in the intermediate-level, high-ceilinged and spacious living room which has one wall entirely of glass; at one end of the room stairs lead up to the balcony connecting the second-floor bedrooms and study, and down to the first-floor library-dining room



Joseph Molitor



and kitchen. This upward and downward view adds materially to the open feeling of the living room. Built-in cabinets were used instead of railings on the balcony. A felicitous touch was the use of color on the balcony: a bright yellow curtain to cut off the upper story entirely; a bright red curtain to close off, either partially or wholly, the upstairs study; and bright blue burlap walls in the study, clearly visible from the living room. These pure-color curtains and burlap can be used in various combinations to give color to what is, in effect, one wall of the living room; the rest of the room is in quiet grays and whites.

A tremendous amount of book storage space was one of the owner's principal requirements. The architects supplied floor-to-ceiling shelves on two sides of the living room, and additional shelves in the library. Then they made a bet with the owner that he couldn't fill so much space. They lost the bet!

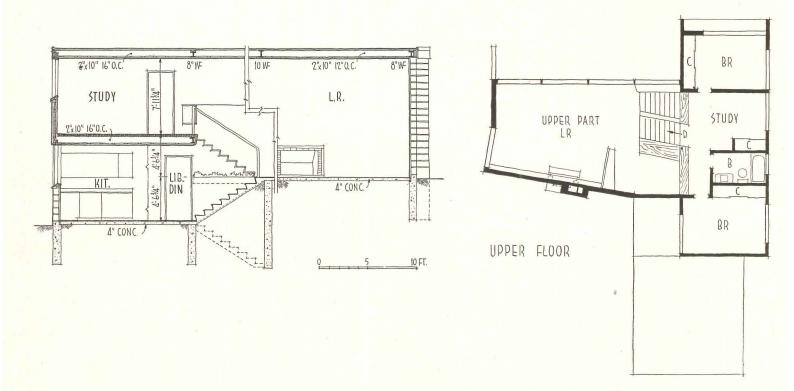
Foundation of the house is poured concrete, framing is wood. Exterior walls are rift-sawn fir, stained. The house is fully insulated and has radiant panel heating — in floors on lower level and ceilings on upper. The living room has ventilating louvers under the large south windows.

KEEP HOUSE



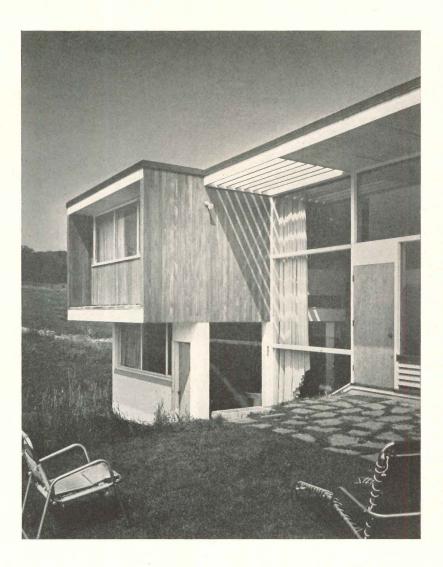


One-and-a-half story living room wing opens to south terrace; slatted roof overhang protects glass wall on this side from too much sun. Below windows are ventilating louvers

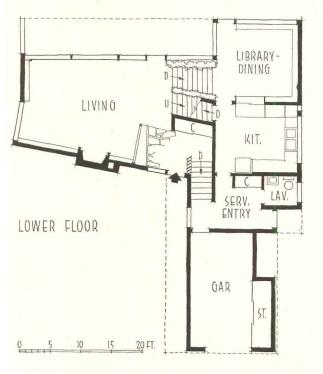


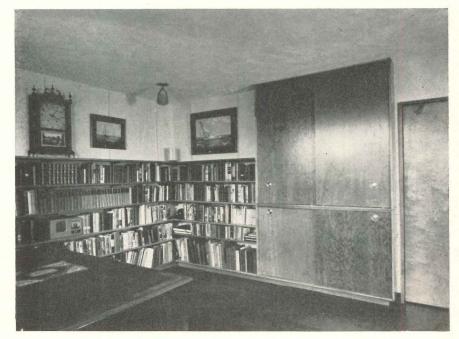


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Above left: on north side, house slopes steeply down toward garage on lowest level; living room wall here is windowless brick, with floor-to-ceiling bookshelves on interior. Above: at southwest corner of house, one bedroom projects over lower-level library-dining room (below)

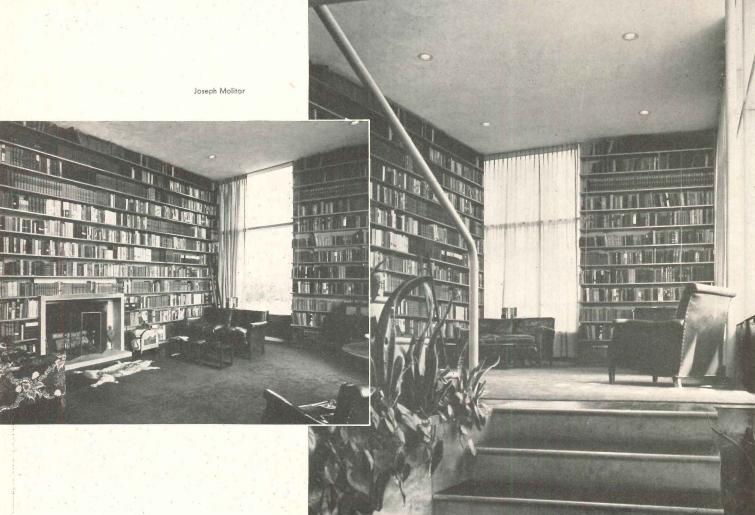




KEEP HOUSE

Interior of the house is much concerned with books, as these photos show. Right: looking from living room up toward balcony study and bedrooms, and down to library-dining room. Below, and below right: living room has floor-to-ceiling book-shelves on two walls, completely filled



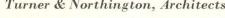


3. ALABAMA: ROCKY LEDGE

Residence of Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Kennedy Florence, Alabama

Turner & Northington, Architects

Jack Holmes



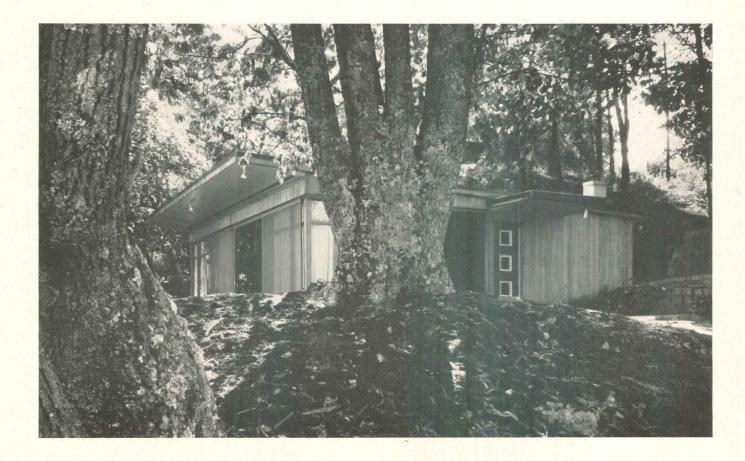
wind down the side of the rock to the entrance terrace. As originally planned, the house was to be built in two stages and used only for weekends until the bedroom wing was added. Actually, however, it is already being used as a year-round residence. When the new wing is added, it will be an entirely separate structure occupying an adjacent ledge; a glazed bridge spanning the deep crevasse between ledges will connect it with the living room wing.

25 ft above the house itself. From there, limestone steps

THIS SMALL ALABAMA HOUSE was planned as a lakeside 1 retreat for its owners — and a retreat it certainly is. It is situated on an almost inaccessible rocky ledge jutting out into Lake Wilson; a private drive, some two miles long, terminates in a turnaround and parking area

The house is of wood construction with timber connectors used in all connections between beams, columns and rafters. The exterior is cypress, oiled and bleached. Interior walls are cypress and plywood, both natural and wiped. Floors are white concrete with terrazzo strips. The roof is covered with white marble chips partly to provide a heat reflecting surface, and partly because the first view of the house (from the parking area) is of the roof.









KENNEDY HOUSE

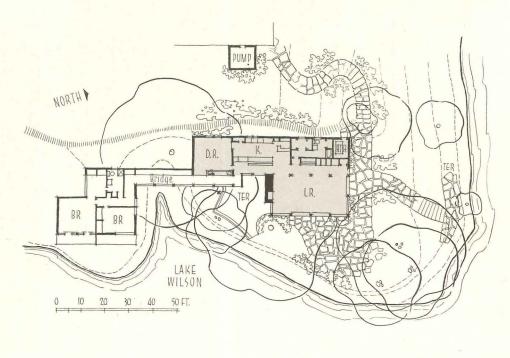
The house is surrounded on three sides by terraces, each of which serves a different need. Eventually there will also be a lower terrace at water's edge, where a boathouse is to be constructed (see plan)





Living room has three 8- by 8-ft sliding glass doors along one side. Fireplace wall is stone, with copper trim; ceiling is of 2- by 2-ft striated plywood squares, laid opposing. Opposite: piano is recessed into the wall, with keyboard exposed and louvers above to direct sound into the room





Jack Holmes







4. NEW YORK: RESERVOIR VIEW

House in Westchester County

Edelbaum & Webster, Architects

Landscape Architect: Entourage Inc. James C. Rose, Consultant

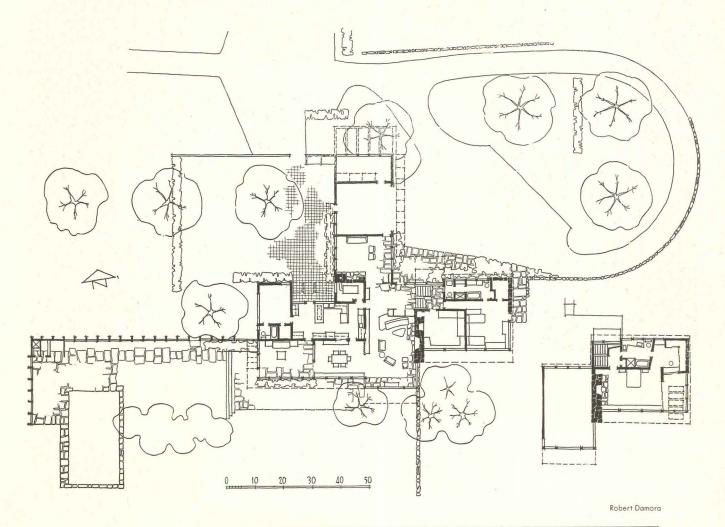
Contractor: Joseph Moje



Like many city dwellers who move to the country, the owners of this house purchased a site with a pleasant view and instructed their architects to make the most of that view. The 12-acre property, within commuting distance of New York City, is in a rural area where good hunting and fishing abound; it consists of rolling fields fringed with trees, and overlooks a city reservoir and pine-covered hills.

The house was placed on the brow of a southern slope, 1500 ft back from the road and facing the reservoir. Its T-shaped plan not only gives all main rooms a share in the view, but also separates the service and approach

areas from the living area. The bedroom wing, at the east end of the house, is two-storied, with the master suite half a story up from the living room, and the son's room and study-guest room a half story below the main level. The master suite has its own sun terrace, dressing room and spacious bath (with two wash basins—one at standing height, the other at sitting height). The lower-level study-guest room has a stone fireplace, built-in desk and files, right-angled daybeds with a corner blanket-storage unit, and built-in drawers. The son's room has its own entrance, and even has a cork wall for pin-ups.



Local rough stone and natural cypress boarding were chosen for the exterior to harmonize with the site. Foundations are stone and concrete block; framing is fir



HOUSE IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY



Living room has three exposures, generous storage space for books and records, music controls at table height, and a bar with pantry access. Rough stone of fireplace wall was selected to contrast with smooth expanses of glass, and stone border of floor to emphasize texture of carpet and fabrics

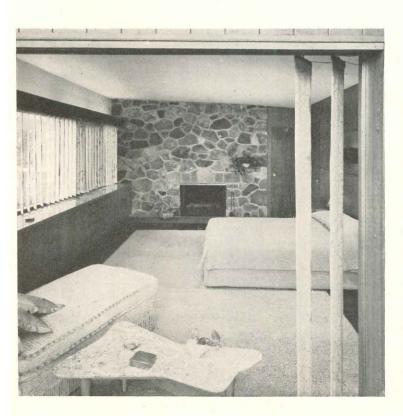


Below: dining area can be curtained off when desired; change in ceiling height makes it almost separate room



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Below: left, the master bedroom, half a story above living room, has a stone fireplace and a private sun deck; right, kitchen cabinets are birch, made on job





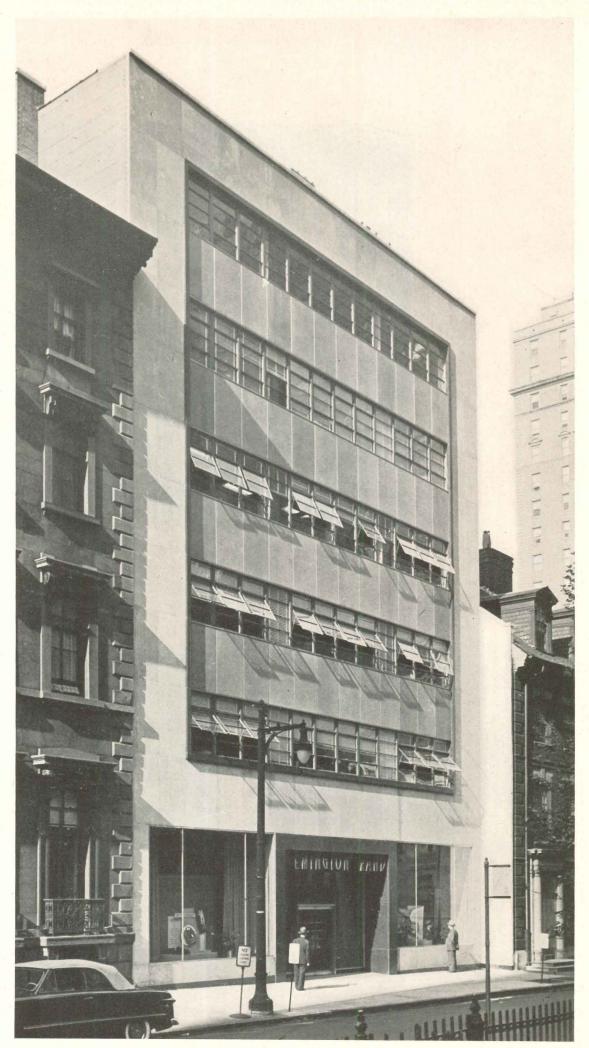
REMINGTON-RAND INC. OFFICES













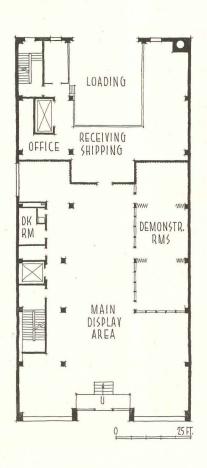
The first floor of the Remington-Rand building (plan below) houses main sales area, utilizes secondary street at rear for shipping and receiving

OFFICES CONSOLIDATE ACTIVITIES FOR BUSINESS MACHINE SALES

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania^{*}
Thalheimer and Weitz, Architects

The multiple activities of a business machine sales office—display, demonstration, administration, stock storage and maintenance—have been brought together here in a building almost as neatly styled as the machines it exhibits. The architects have circumvented the often heard debate on whether a multi-story building—even a small one as this—should be expressed vertically or horizontally, and have simply grouped windows and aluminum spandrels into a large panel with a cast granite frame.

All six floors are similar in plan, with utilities and toilets grouped on the stair wall. The rest of the areas are divided into offices and general stock space on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th floors, a maintenance division on the 4th, and stock and supply storage on the 5th and 6th. The building is constructed with steel frame, common brick exterior walls, concrete floor slabs. The facade is faced with limestone. Interiors have painted plaster walls, asphalt tile floors and hung plaster ceilings.

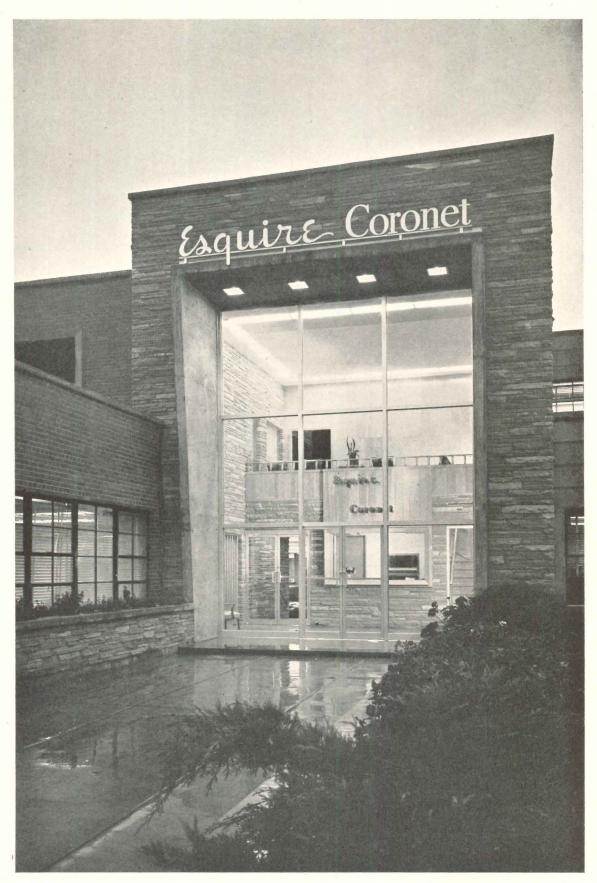


ESQUIRE-CORONET OFFICES

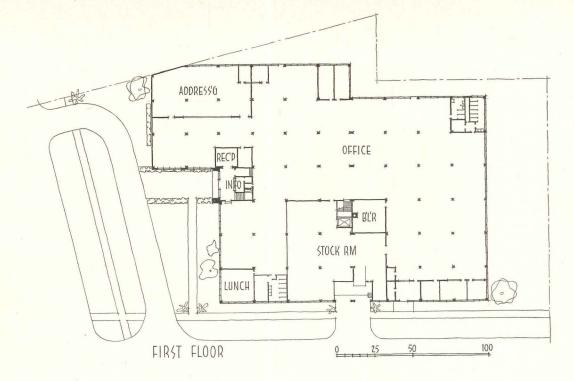








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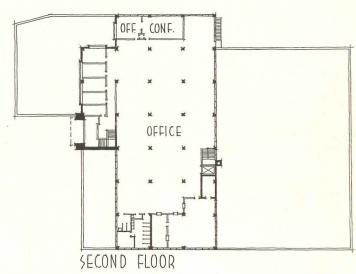


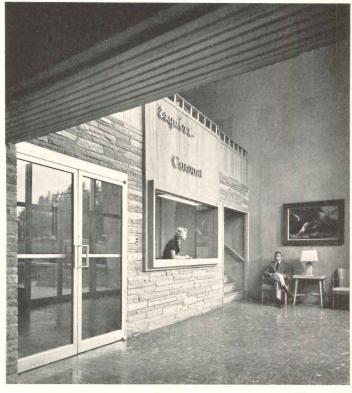
LOW COST OFFICES FOR A MAGAZINE DIVISION

Boulder, Colorado

Ralph Stoetzel, Architect

THESE EFFICIENT, PLEASANT OFFICES for Esquire-Coronet Publications' Circulation Department are typical of an apparently growing trend for large organizations to relocate many of their activities in less congested cities - a trend which gives mutual benefit both to the cities and the businesses concerned. In this case, Esquire-Coronet desired to increase its operating efficiency by transferring the Circulation Department from company headquarters in Chicago. To attract an operation of this type, and thereby increase employment and revenues, the City of Boulder and its Chamber of Commerce donated a site for the offices. The architect was given the problem of designing a suitable office building at the cost of an industrial type building. This was solved by providing an open, flexible plan and a structure of reinforced concrete. Exterior walls are natural finish concrete, with some use of stone and brick at the entrance. Office interiors are finished with glazed tile walls, asphalt tile floors and acoustic tile ceilings. A curved driveway and a two-story, open-front lobby were used to ease the transition from the main street, which lies 10 to 15 feet above average property grade of





Ben Schnall



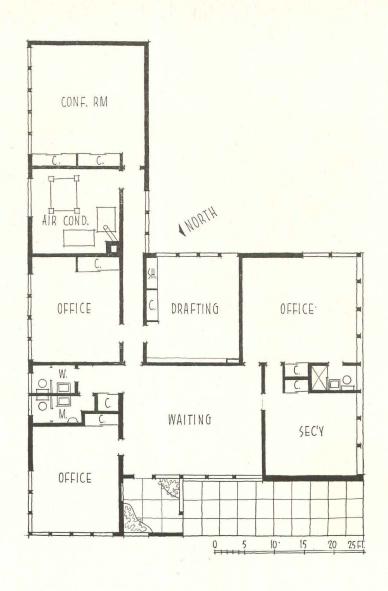
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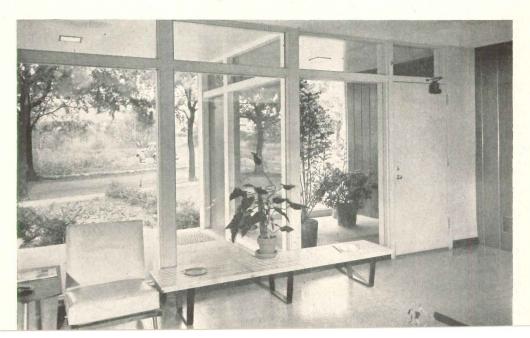


CONTRACTOR

Lodi, New Jersey

George Cooper Rudolph, Architect

The owner of this office building, a New Jersey road builder and garbage collection contractor, requested only three things of the architect: the correct number and sizes of offices, air conditioning, and his name visible from a highway 200 yds to the south. All questions of design, esthetics and furnishings were left in the architect's hands. After completion of the contract, Mr. Rudolph says of his client, "Of course now he is broke, but very proud."

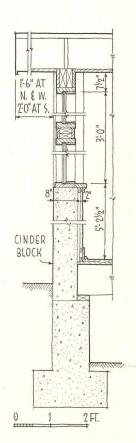


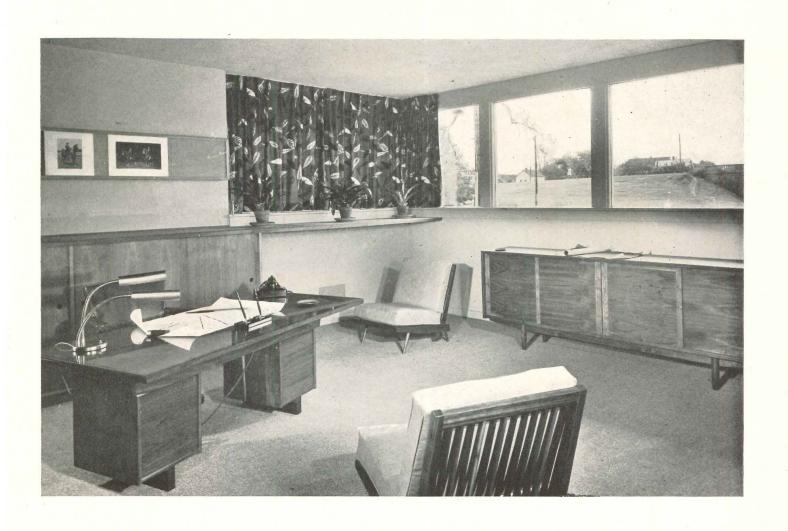
STAMATO OFFICES



Ben Schnall

The building amply fulfills the client's few stipulations and provides extremely comfortable and pleasant areas for staff employees and clients. A planted entry leads into the waiting room, which joins directly with the large-size offices and the drafting room. The conference room is placed at the end of an ell for greater privacy and quietness. Construction is straightforward and simple (see wall section, right). Exterior walls are concrete block painted white, stone, and cedar-stained vertical wood siding. The large sign is on an extended wall to integrate it with the general design - and is quite visible from the highway. Interior partitions are wood frame, finished with plaster or wood veneer. Floors are rubber tile. Acoustical plaster is used on the waiting room ceiling. Landscaping for the project was done by Janet Darling.



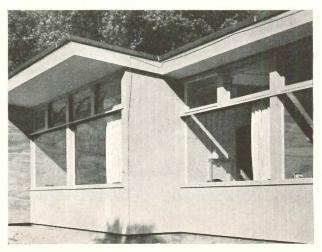


The interiors were designed by Alexander R. Stavenitz, an associate of the architect, and include furniture by George Nakashima, a gesso mural by Louis Ross





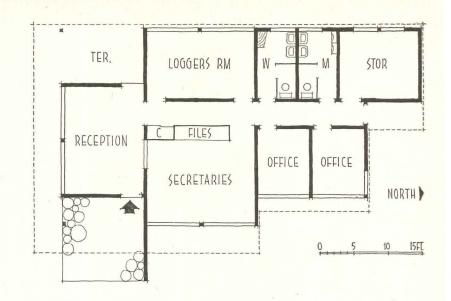




BRADFORD
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OFFICES







PLYWOOD MILL OFFICE FEATURES OWN PRODUCTS

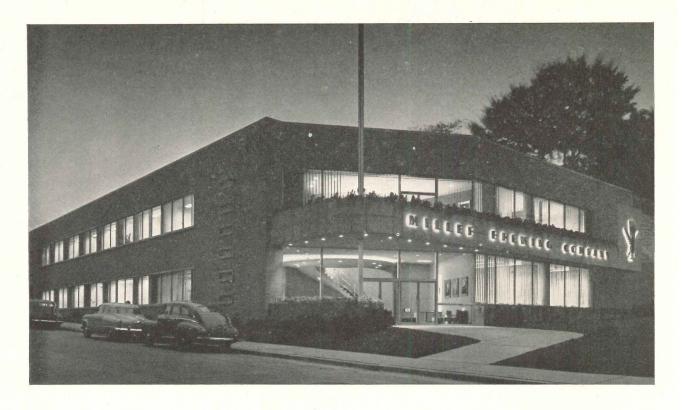
Bradford, Vermont
E. H. and M. K. Hunter, Architects

THE CLEAN, UNAFFECTED DESIGN of this small plant office gives subtle emphasis to plywood products made by the owners, as well as fulfills its primary purpose of giving the office staff more pleasant working quarters. The building replaces use of an obsolete house as a center for paying factory employees and receiving customers, visitors, and lumbermen with their reports. The structure has framing of eastern spruce, concrete floor slab, and vertical pine shiplap siding painted gray. Interiors are finished with a variety of plywood panels.

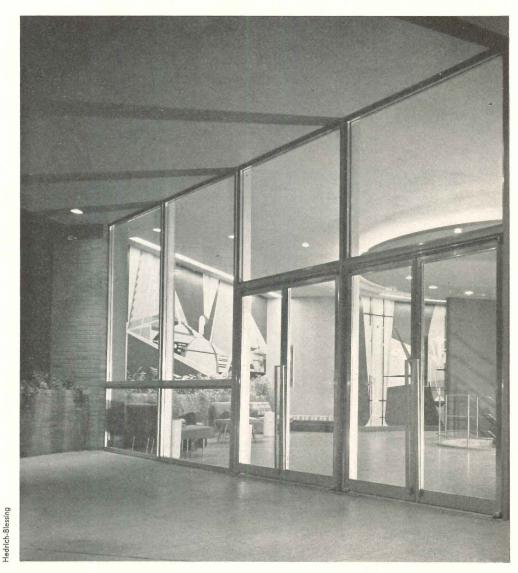
The spur wall at the front displays waterproof plywood and gives added sun protection to adjoining offices. Noisier working spaces have acoustical tile ceilings instead of plywood. All detailing was specially done to enable the regular staff of maintenance men at the mill to do all purchasing and labor. Heating is by a one-zone, radiant floor panel system with a converter, so that steam from the main factory could be used. Most of the furniture used is of molded plywood and carries out the general plywood theme.





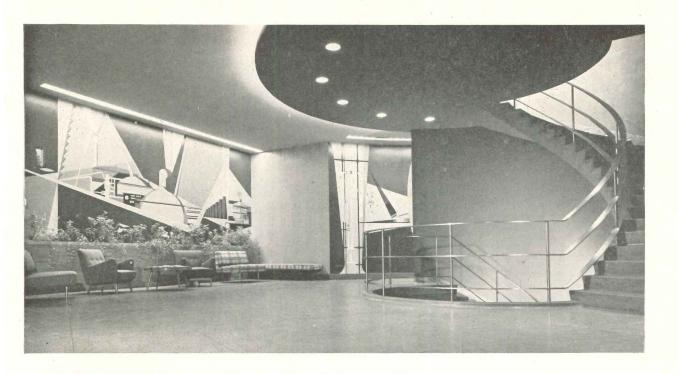


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Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Brooks Stevens Associates, Designers

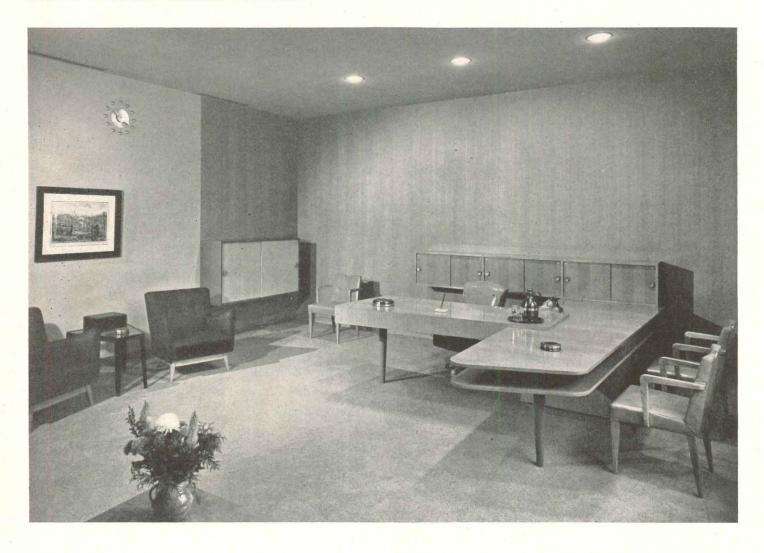
Arthur L. and Arthur W. Seidenschwartz, Architectural Consultants

Dailey, Brenner & Schreiber, Management Engineers

The consciously dramatic lighting and lobby design of this new administration building for the Miller Brewing Company were planned to serve as an arresting focal point in the midst of the older, traditionally-styled plant buildings. The owners desired the building to be of the same basic materials — beige brick with limestone trim — as the others, but also wished it to be modern, functional, and to have as much merchandising and public relations value as possible. With this in mind, the designers, who also serve as consultants to the firm on all phases of merchandising design, were commissioned to give "complete consideration" to the general architecture, furniture design, fabrics, colors, objets d'art, and general planning for the industrial murals executed by Edmund Lewandowski.

The main floors of the building are planned around a central open area for general clerical groups, with executive offices ranging the outer perimeter. Most of these outer offices are designed with movable metal partitions, and can be altered in size on 4-ft modules. A penthouse-type office with balcony for the president is located above the corner lobby and an auditorium equipped for movies is in the basement. The building is of steel frame construction with brick exterior. Interior partitions are cinder block, plastered and painted.

MILLER BREWING COMPANY OFFICES



Hedrich-Blessing

Principal executives' offices (above, directly at right) and Board Room (right center) have specially designed plastic-surfaced furniture, oak veneer paneling, gold carpets. Other colors — gray greens, tile red, amber — were picked from the company's packaging colors. All metal work is two-tone brass and stainless steel to recall the brass beer and steel foam of an abstract symbol on the facade. The new building has resulted in a sharp rise in Brewery tour attendance

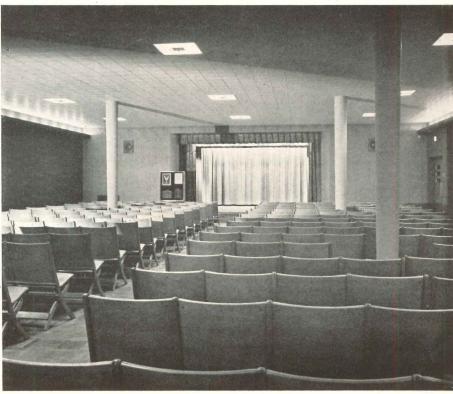




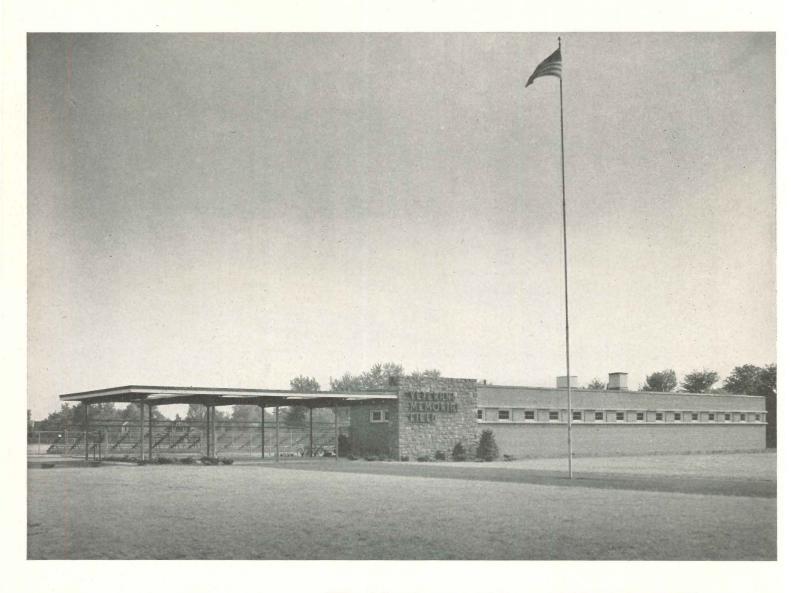


Central clerical area (above) is made comfortable with fluorescent lighting, air conditioning, acoustic ceilings. Below: basement auditorium





FIELD HOUSE, VETERANS MEMORIAL FIELD,



Cost of construction and the building committee's insistence on easy and inexpensive maintenance were important factors in choice of materials. Foundations are reinforced concrete; exterior walls are cinder concrete and brick, trim is cast stone

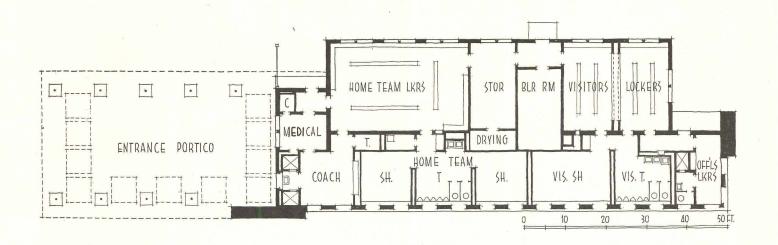


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GREENFIELD, MASS.

James A. Britton, Architect





Wm. Cushman & Son, Inc., General Contractor

Richard J. Harrington, Heating and Ventilating Engineer

FOR ECONOMIC REASONS, the town of Greenfield (population 17,000) agreed to "streamline" its new athletic plant despite the fact that most of its public buildings are Georgian-Colonial. Now that it is completed, the citizens are proud of it and both town and architect, the latter reports, "are receiving exceedingly good publicity" from visiting teams and coaches.

The building is the first to be constructed at the Veterans Memorial Field, a 20-acre park and playground area in a rapidly expanding section of Greenfield. A sports arena may be added later, and the proposed new high school probably will occupy a site adjacent to the Field. Meanwhile the present building not only

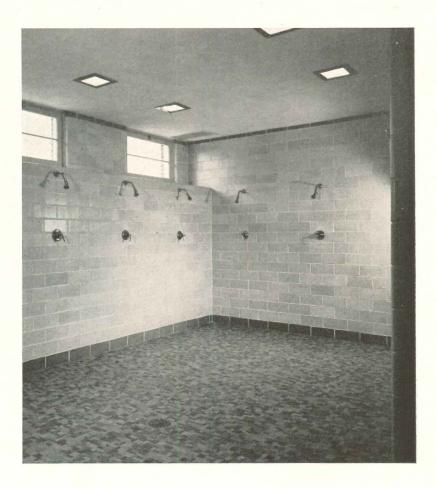
houses the high school athletic teams, but also serves as a center for winter sports and summer playground activities, and is used by semi-professional teams.

Requirements of the committee in charge of the project were numerous and detailed, starting with the stipulation that the building must be large enough to meet not only present but also future needs of the community. Considerable emphasis was put on keeping team members away from the general public, and visiting officials away from the teams — hence the long portico, which serves as the public "gate" to the Field, and the three separate entrances for home team, visiting team and officials.

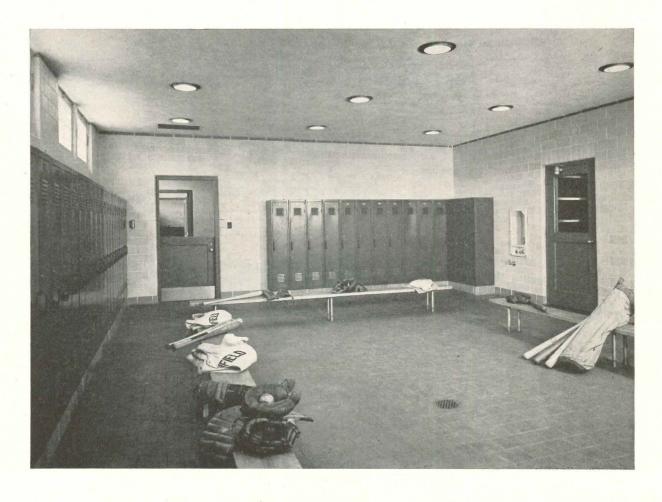
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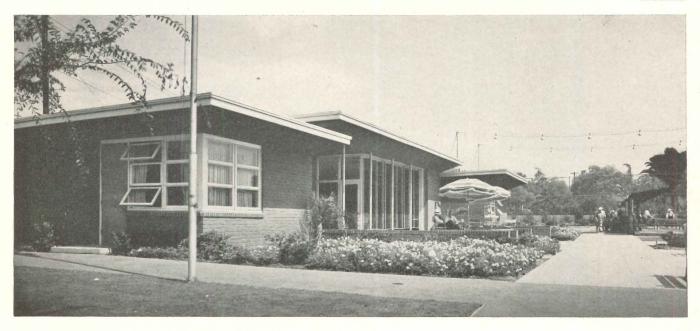


Coach's office labove) connects with both medical office and home team locker room (below), and has own shower. Interior walls throughout are glazed tile; floors are tile over reinforced concrete slab, ceilings are cement plaster on metal lath



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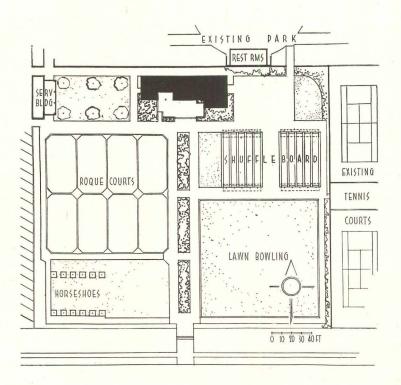




ADULT RECREATION CENTER, GLENDALE, CALIF.

Graham Latta and Carl Denney, Architects

Arthur G. Bartin, Landscape Architect



Convenience was the keynote in the selection of the site for Glendale's Adult Recreation Center; providing varied facilities for an attendance of over 130,000 a year was the architects' problem. The site, 1½ blocks from the heart of the city, is a 300-ft-square portion of a city park, bordered on one side by a municipal parking area. The architects' commission included site planning, a clubhouse and service building, roque and shuffleboard courts.

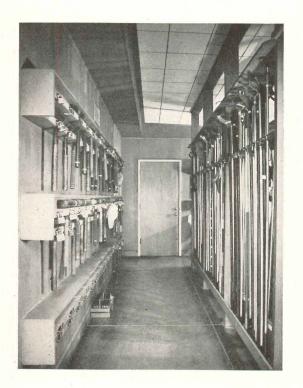
The clubhouse, planned to serve both local members and visiting teams, consists of lounge, locker room, snack bar and kitchen. The kitchen is larger than required by the snack bar to permit preparation of luncheons for guest teams during inter-city roque and shufflleboard tournaments.

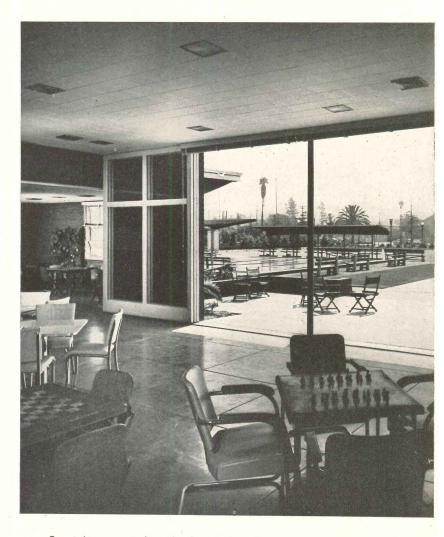
The building is concrete slab floor on grade with acid stain finish. Walls are reinforced brick, brushcoated; ceilings are acoustical tile.



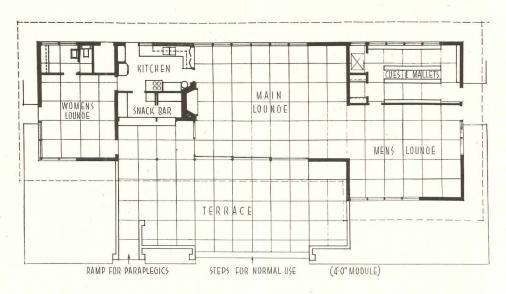
ADULT RECREATION CENTER

Clubhouse centers around main lounge which can be thrown open to paved terrace by a triple sliding door (right). Window wall on opposite side of room (above) overlooks land-scaped area to rear. Locker room (below) is primarily for sterage of members' individually owned mallets and cues; a few lockers are also provided for bowlers. Note (plan opposite) ramp for paraplegics at west end of terrace



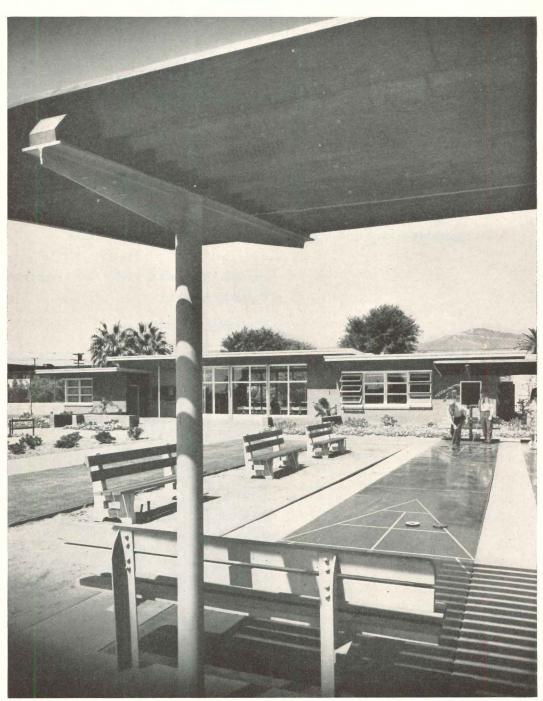


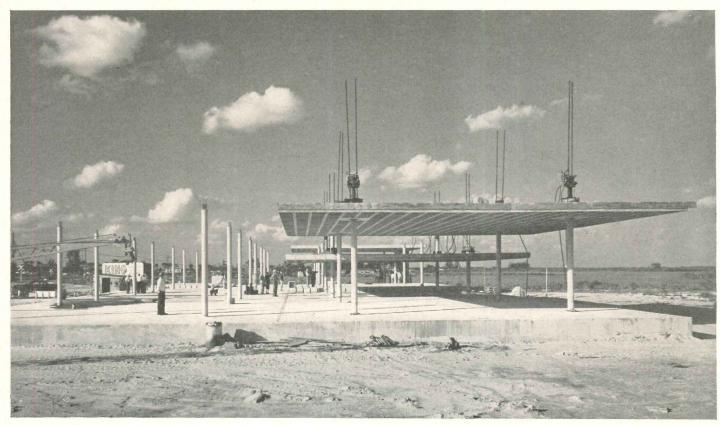
Far right: concrete-based columns, slatted at top to receive cantilevered beams, with redwood louvers spaced and sloped at carefully controlled angles in opposite directions at north and south shelters, cut down summer sun on shuffleboard courts and secure maximum winter sun





Julius Shulman





Jack Holmes

MECHANIZED BUILDING TECHNIQUES COMBINED

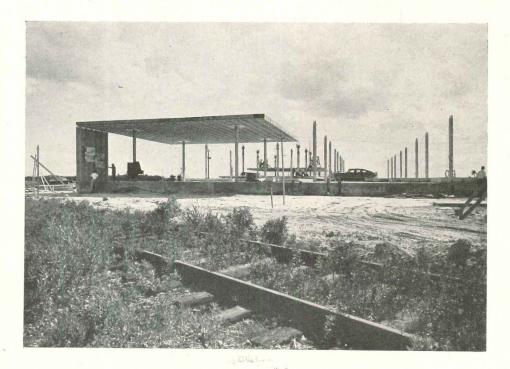
Atlas Light Industrial and Warehousing Terminal, Miami, Florida

Laurence G. Farrant & Walter Harry, Associate
Consulting Engineers

Morris Burk, Contractor

OR SEVERAL REASONS, REINFORCED CONCRETE is finding application in a wider variety of buildings than ever before, and the main reason has been the development of mass-production techniques. Of course material shortages have given impetus to the use of concrete; but more than that, the material itself is intrinsically better, some of the unknowns of structural design have been eliminated, factory quality control methods have been introduced, and the mechanized techniques of erecting precast structural elements have, in some cases, practically eliminated on-the-job form work. This all adds up to less cost.

This 100 by 200 ft prototype for a series of some 40 light industrial and warehouse buildings exemplifies the mechanized approach. The engineers have integrated several already successful ideas and some new ones of their own to develop a reinforced concrete.

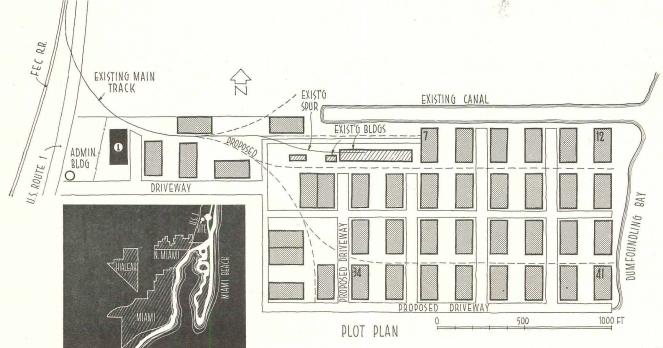


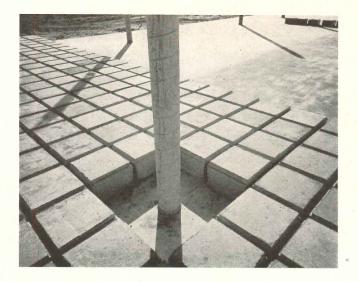
Two roof slabs of the first building in Atlas' Miami warehousing and light industrial terminal were raised during a special demonstration on Sunday, February 3. A third slab had been lifted before, and blocks for a fourth lay on the floor slab. A newspaper story attracted a large crowd of sightseers, but also among them were many interested architects and engineers from all over the country





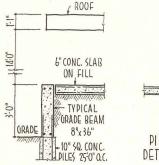
Most of the buildings in the Atlas terminal will be 100 by 200 ft, and so require eight 50 by 50 ft roof slabs. Each slab, comprised of 609 coffered "waffle" blocks and weighing about 88 tons, is raised by the Youtz-Slick lift slab method (See AR, January, 1950). Hydraulic jacks, atop the reinforced concrete columns and connected to lifting yokes by means of tension screws, raise the slabs 14 ft; some unused jacks are on the floor in top photo (left). A single operator manipulates the controls which regulate the lifting operation. Below: the site, 12 miles from the center of Miami on U. S. highway 1, has both rail and water transportation. Buildings are laid out on a 50-ft grid so that they can be expanded if the lessee wishes. Blacked in building is one under construction. Those with gray tone will go up later

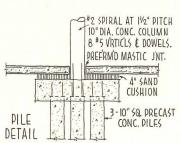


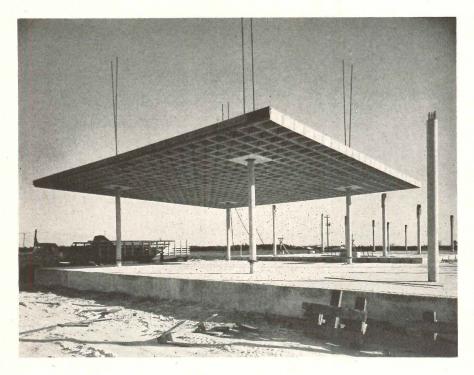


After the floor slab and columns are hard, precast, coffered blocks, designed by the structural engineer, are assembled, and reinforcing is placed between blocks by two men









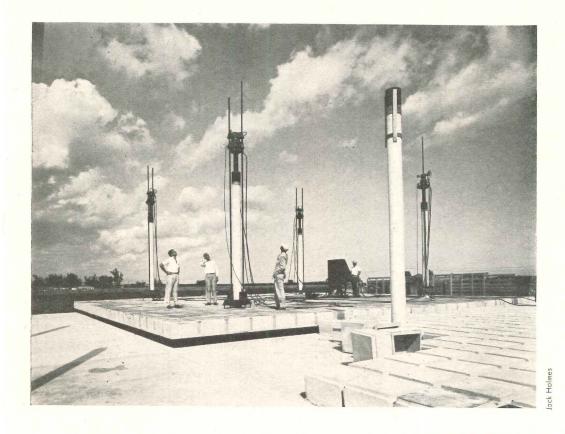
Eight of these ''unit buildings'' comprise a completed structure. The cantilever extends 10 ft, and the distance between columns of the ''unit'' is 30 ft. Floor slab is elevated above grade to accommodate loading and unloading

structure that can compete favorably with steel, and at the same time provide a fireproof building.

Located at Ojus, about 12 miles from the center of Miami, the 80-acre site is ideal for terminal operation. Other terminals owned by the Atlas Terminals corporation are located in New York City and Beacon, N. Y., totaling about 3,000,000 sq ft. The Miami terminal will bring the total up to nearly 4,000,-000 sq ft. Another point in favor of the site is that the only existing spur of the Florida East Coast R. R. to cross U.S. 1 that near to Miami already serves a steel fabricator on the site. Also, it is adjacent to an 8-ft deep channel connecting with the intracoastal waterway.

Since the terminal is designed for light industrial buildings as well as warehouses, the Atlas corporation plans to furnish manufacturers with such utilities as steam, water, and power. In addition, a machine shop will be provided for equipment repairs.

The buildings have been laid out on a 50 by 50 ft grid which corresponds to the size of the "unit buildings," eight of them comprising a complete 100 by 200 ft structure. There is a minimum of 100 ft between these buildings, so that additional 50 ft sq units can be tacked on.



Left: contractor Burk, engineer Farrant, and Atlas executive Baptiste watch operation of a hydraulic jack during the trial lifting of a slab. Grout poured between blocks to cement them together hardens for two days before slab is ready for lifting. Below, top: at lower left can be seen a flange on top of a column after jack equipment has been removed. Below, bottom: slabs in various stages of lifting

Since the terminal buildings were conceived as a series of structurally independent "unit buildings" (each requiring four columns), the engineers decided the "units" should be 50 ft sq for reasonable column spacing. For maximum economy, the columns then were located 10 ft inside the perimeter of the 50 ft sq. This makes a column arrangement across the width of the building of 10 ft cantilever, 30 ft span, 20 ft span, 30 ft span, and 10 ft cantilever.

According to the owner, a 10 ft aisle is desirable around the perimeter of a warehouse because it provides ready access to the inventory stacked in the center; and, in addition, it prevents stock from being stacked against windows. In small industrial buildings, machines such as lathes could fit easily in this 10 ft space.

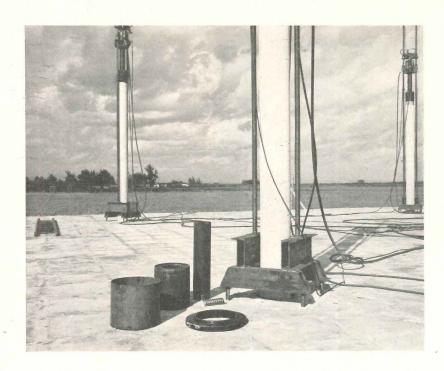
Definite plans are being made by Atlas Terminals, Inc. to construct one of the 20,000 sq ft buildings in the New York Metropolitan area to determine its potentialities there.

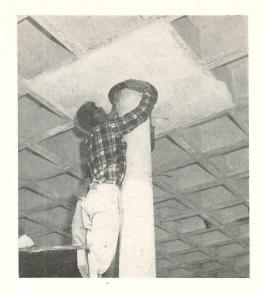
Construction Steps

The Parts. A minimum of on-the-site labor is required because many precast concrete parts are obtained from nearby factories. For example, the 50 by 50



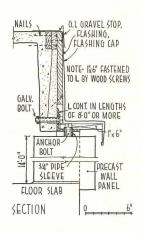


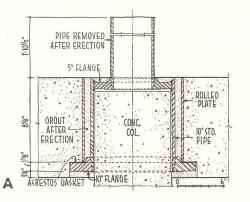




Above: parts used in lift-up process and in supporting slab. Left to right — rolled plate, 10-in. pipe, 10-in. flange, 5-in. pipe and threaded sleeve. (See also detail at far right)

Below, right: panels rest on grade beam and are held in position by cantilever

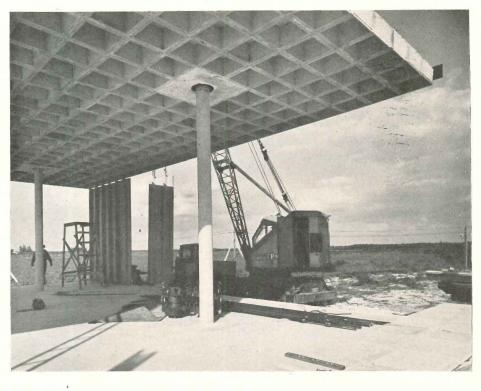


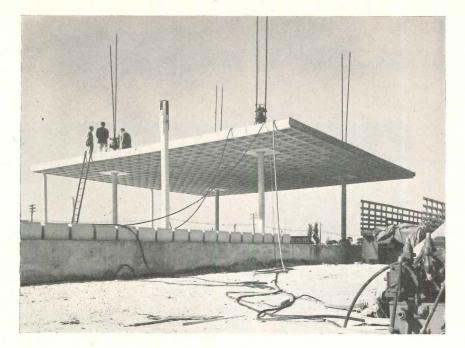


Above: after the slab is lifted to the top of the column, a flange is screwed onto the bottom of the 10-in. pipe capping the column, and this flange supports the slab

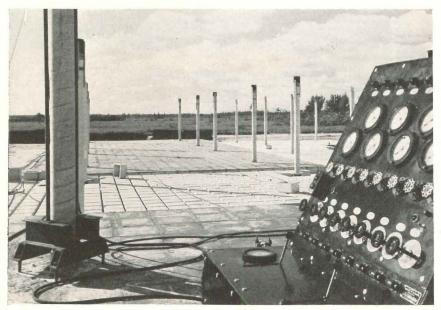
ft waffle-like roof slabs are comprised of 609 precast, coffered blocks, 2 ft sq, developed by Farrant and Harry. The piles and demountable wall panels are also precast. Shoring and virtually all formwork are eliminated by using the Youtz-Slick lift slab method. The principal idea is that hydraulic jacks on top of the columns raise a slab, fabricated on the ground, up to ceiling height. (See AR, January, 1949, pp. 121–123).

After the 6-in. floor slab and 10-in. concrete columns (poured in fiber tube forms) have set, the blocks for the roof are assembled side by side on the floor. A projection on the bottom of the blocks keeps them apart so there will be room for the reinforcing in between; only two men are required to place it. The blocks taper out from bottom to top, which makes room for inspection





Above: oil lines leading from pump to hydraulic jacks. Below: instrument panel



Jack Holmes

of the bars at the bottom of the space; and a ledge is formed at the top for laying bars there.

Next, two carpenters nail edge forms around the blocks, and five laborers pour grout on top of the blocks and squeegee it between the blocks to cement them together.

Concrete is poured into a 4-ft sq space left around the columns at the same time. Screw anchors, fastened to the lifting yoke which pulls the slab up the columns, are embedded in it. A cylindrical piece of rolled steel dropped over the column prevents contact between the column and newly poured concrete.

The Lifting Process. A crew of three men assembles hydraulic jacks atop the four columns of each "unit building." The jacks hoist the slab at the rate of 3 in. per stroke of the piston. The Institute of Inventive Research, which licenses the Youtz-Slick lift slab method, sent one of their engineers to Miami to instruct a crew in the use of the equipment. The jack actually is mounted on a length of 5-in. dia. steel pipe, which sits on top of the column and is removed after the slab is raised. (See detail A). Tension screws connect the jack and the lifting yoke and thereby transfer the lifting force to the slab.

Slipping down over the top of the column is a piece of 10-in. pipe about 8 in. long and threaded at the bottom. After the slab is raised, a 10-in. I. D. flange, which has been dropped over the column beforehand, is screwed onto the bottom of this pipe to hold up the slab. No spot welding is necessary.

The Time Schedule. Erection of the

buildings will go something like this:

Day	Operation		
First	Blocks laid		
Second	Reinforcing placed		
Third	Grout poured		
Fourth-Fifth	Grout cures		
Sixth	Roof slab lifted		

Poured-in-place slabs generally take at least 10 days to cure before they can be lifted.

Structural Design

Although in Miami the roof need only be designed for a live load of 20 lb per sq ft, a test panel 4 ft wide and 16 ft long, having only minimum reinforcing, withstood a load of 500 lb per sq ft. Wall panels are designed to resist a wind of 150 mph.

The unit building was analyzed by the *Presan* method (Photo-reflective stress analysis; see AR, December, 1951, pp. 180–182). According to the engineer, this analysis effected a saving of nearly 50 per cent in the amount of steel prescribed by conventional design methods. Resulting slab deflections, which were very small, followed the *Presan* analysis closely.

Each 100 by 200 ft building can be erected with less than 25 tons of reinforcing steel, which means that it can be self-certified under present CMP regulations. Actually, *Presan* analysis figures showed that only 1.82 lb of steel per sq ft are needed.

The 50 by 50 ft slabs each weigh about 175,000 lb, including grouting, concrete, and reinforcing.

Costs

The engineer estimates that cost of the roof slabs in place will run about \$1.20 per sq ft, with further economies possible following more experience. Cost of the buildings, including precast, demountable wall panels, nominal lighting, and four toilet rooms, is expected to be about \$4 per sq ft.

Design Possibilities

Since the roof is supported wholly by the columns, wall panels need not be load-bearing, and can be made of any economical material that will stand the weather. Fenestration can follow any pattern desired. It would be very easy to form a clerestory by simply raising one slab above the others and filling the intervening space with windows. Also, some of the roof slab blocks could be made with open tops, since only the ribs are necessary to the structural strength, and the blocks could be covered with a transparent material to form a skylight.

TRENDS IN WARM AIR HEATING

By R. G. Vanderweil, Consulting Engineer *

Two heating installations in schools recently published by Architectural Record are analyzed by the author and future possibilities discussed

Costs of every item going into schools and other institutional buildings today have to be scrutinized and kept to a minimum without reducing their quality standards. And it is logical to look first at the items that normally cost the most — take the heating system, for example. With close collaboration of architect and engineer, it is often possible to provide a better heating system at a lower cost. In these buildings, where ventilation is required at any rate, the use of warm air also for radiant heating seems most feasible. Provisions of air paths (ducts or conduits) within natural cavities of the building, so that surfaces of floors, ceilings or walls in proximity to large glass areas can be heated, may greatly improve comfort conditions without adding much to building cost.

In this article two actual examples of "radiant-air heating systems" in schools are analyzed and future possibilities are investigated. But before introducing both systems, a note about the benefits of "teamwork" between architect and engineer. The engineer was consulted during the early planning stages of these buildings. Thus, architects and engineer were able to discuss manifold possibilities, estimate their combined structural-



Gymnasium, Priory School, Portsmouth, R. I. Anderson and Beckwith, Harkness and Geddes, Associated Architects

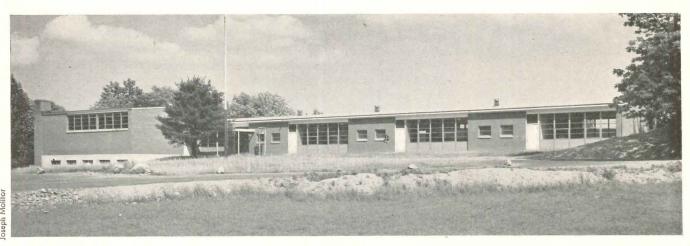
mechanical installation cost and thereby eliminate, one by one, the less economical solutions. Not only was the heating system influenced by the construction, but also the design of the building by the heating system.

How important such early discussions may be was indicated to the author by a prior experience (with a copper tube type radiant heating system) in which the architect of a large group of apartments, by utilizing structural steel as well as the tubing to conduct heat, could let the heating contract for slightly less than the electric contract.

Two Installations

Dedham School. The building was to be used by young children, and it was felt that with floors resting directly on the ground, some provision should be made to obtain warm floors. Since Massachusetts law calls for strict mechanical ventilation, it was logical to combine ventilating and radiant heating systems.

Priory Gymnasium. We were confronted with one of those not-too-frequent cases where the building structure lent itself readily to a low cost, but high quality, heating system. The external



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Part 2: Radiant Heating by Air in Institutional Buildings

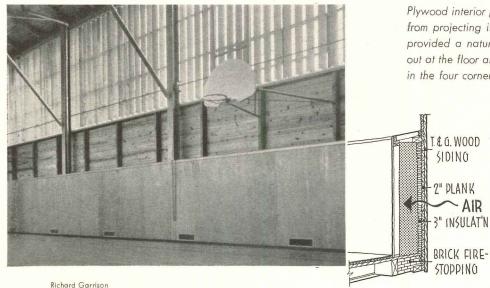


TABLE A

Dedham School	Cost	Per Cent
a. Total contract price of building b. Saving due to omission of framed	\$117,000	100
crawl space and ductwork	(7,500)	(6.4)
c. Additional cost of masonry conduit d. Cost of heating and ventilating	3,100	2.6
system	20,100	17.2

TABLE B

Priory Gymnasium	Cost	Per Cent
a. Total contract price	\$181,500	100
b. Cost of heating system	36,500	20.1
c. Approx. additional cost for provision of plenum minus saving on piping	1,500	. 8
d. Cost for heating and plenum	38,500	20.8

Air flow in Dedham School. Fresh air (1) mixes with return air from room (7) and is heated to 135 F by the heating coil (2). Warm air (3) flows to trench (4), loses some heat by radiation (5) and enters room at (6). Half of room air is exhausted at (8), and then to outdoors

Plywood interior panels were required first of all to keep columns from projecting into gym at floor level for safety's sake, so this provided a natural channel for distributing warm air. Air flows out at the floor and also up in front of windows. Unit heaters are in the four corners of the room

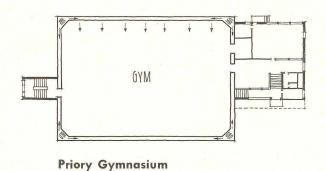
walls were formed by a relatively thin skin, so it was essential to apply an internal facing and additional insulation. The building cost, then, was not increased much by providing enlarged "hollow spaces" (plenum chambers) around the perimeter to convey warm air. Plywood facings had to be provided anyway in order to avoid dangerous projections of the columns into the room.

It was possible to locate four unit heaters within the plenum in the four corners of the building. Since the most economical (but not necessarily the best) system of heating the gymnasium would have been by unit heaters, the cost of the heating system proper was identical to that of the cheapest installation with relatively small additional cost for the plenum. The resulting heating system provided even distribution of temperature throughout the room together with the required ventilation. Cold air currents under the large windows were avoided plus stratification of air.

Heating System and Comfort

In applying this solution to the gymnasium, we could adhere to the three main laws for comfort by heating: (1) reduce to "normal" the heat loss of the human body; (2) provide for approximately equal heat loss in all directions—front, sides, and back of the occupant; (3) avoid excessive drafts and movement of cold air along the floors.

Although these laws cannot always be adhered to strictly, they should be kept in mind by the designing engineer and serious deviations avoided. (Strict adherence is not necessary, as can be shown by examples: standing in front of a new fire in a cold cabin results in discomfort, as will sitting near the window in a room where radiation is at the inside wall. However, in the same room when sitting, say within six feet from the window, serious discomfort will no longer be experienced. This shows that small deviations from (1) to (3) above can be naturally compensated for by the body's internal control mechanism.)





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Left: projection type unit heaters in the four corners of the gym blow air through the plenum chamber around the periphery of the room. Right: warm air enters the room at the floor and in front of windows. Radiation from warm panel compensates for occupant's loss to cold glass

In many instances artificial ventilation is required for comfort, not only in institutional buildings, restaurants, hospitals, etc., but more and more in homes, in order to relieve allergic conditions of inhabitants, etc.

Installation Cost

Direct cost comparisons of combined radiant-air systems with conventional systems must be made with caution, because of additional work performed by the general, rather than the heating contractor, but an indirect price analysis still will be of great value. Let us see how such an approximate cost comparison runs for the Dedham School (Table A). The conduit (Item c.) was provided in order to avoid cool floors. However, without this conduit a crawl space would have to be provided and traditional ducts substituted. Considering that the expense for the conduit was compensated for by savings due to omission of crawl space, the cost of the conduit did not materially add to the building cost.

In the Priory Gymnasium (Table B) the plenum chamber must be considered part of the heating. However, the system, according to sum d., still was quite economical for this type of building, and actually resulted in comfort superior to unit heaters. Figures given for the gymnasium include the basement and its heating system, which comprised considerable ventilation for

locker rooms, etc. Since the building was simple, and provisions for heating and ventilating were made outside the building, the heating contract does not reflect the simplicity of the gymnasium system. Included is the revamping of an existing central heating plant and addition of considerable underground steam and condensate conduit.

Reviewing installation costs of the two buildings under discussion, the following conclusions may be drawn:

Dedham School — The total erection cost as built was reduced by approximately four per cent below that of an equal building with basement using conventional methods of school heating.

Priory Gymnasium — The total erection cost as built was increased by approximately one per cent over that of a building using the most economical heating system — projection type unit heaters — regardless of comfort.

Operating Cost

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Not too much is known about the operating cost of radiant-air heating systems. It is the author's opinion that, essentially, there are neither savings nor additional operating cost over and above that of conventional heating and ventilating systems. Large savings sometimes claimed by radiant heating proponents have remained hypothetical so far, and will remain so until two identical structures are built close to each

other and are provided with different types of heating systems operating with similar equipment and identical fuel. Slight savings may be possible with radiant heating because of (a) more even temperature distribution throughout the rooms, (b) smaller stratification so commonly causing serious overheating near the ceilings of high rooms (this would have been particularly noticeable in the case of the gymnasium), and (c) careful selection of controls necessary for radiant-air heating.

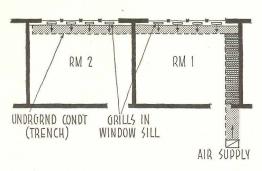
Actual oil consumption of the gymnasium is not known, because the central boiler plant supplies heat to other buildings. Fuel consumption of the Dedham School proved to be nearly identical during the past two heating seasons and was about 12,050 gallons per season. Considering the size of the building and the strict ventilation requirements (15 cfm of fresh air per pupil) this oil consumption turned out to be on the low side of an estimate made prior to erection

The Control Problem

This, no doubt, is the most vital problem for two reasons: (1) Computations for the radiant output will not always prove precise where masonry conduit is used, and (2) slight variations in heat output can be compensated for by controls. Such variations are due to change of thickness and variations of conductivity of the building materials used to transmit heat to the room. The inertia of masonry conduits, particularly on ground, is great, and no practical mathematical means are available to compute the heat lag. (This is due to wide variations of ground conductivities with composition of soil and presence or lack of moisture, frost, etc.)

Obviously there is an inter-relationship between heat lag of air conduit and temperature of the air supplied to the room. While the conduit is cold, we have to supply ample hot air to it, and then

Dedham School



Since more of the warm air conduit runs under Room 1 than Room 2, part of the conduit in Room 1 had to be covered with a material of greater insulating value. Otherwise, it would have been more difficult to control temperatures

at the far end, cool air is delivered to the room. The heat lost by the air in passing through the conduit was consumed mostly in heating the conduit and the ground below. Only a small amount of this heat was supplied by radiation through the top slab of the conduit to the room above. Fortunately enough, this "Lag" is not serious where radiantair heating is applied to one room only, or where the duct heat inertia is small.

during the early morning hours. Although the school is heated by intermediate recirculation at night, the controls at night maintain a room temperature of only 55 F. Therefore, the conduits cool off at night and absorb additional heat early in the morning. In order to compensate for this lag, additional air had to be conveyed to Room 2. (Room 2 also requires slightly more heat by air at the starting period

(b) conduits are kept short and in no case more than three rooms are connected to each zone, because (c) zones do not cover more than one exposure and, because (d) there is no special "shade problem." In the one room which, at times, is shaded considerably more than others, greater differences of temperature are met than in the remainder of the building.

Likely Future Uses

In the near future, we will likely find this system installed in relatively small buildings. The reason for this is that the radiant-air heating system has to be broken down into relatively small subsections so that one conduit will not supply too many spaces simultaneously. Application to all kinds of institutional buildings, churches, and industrial buildings normally calling for ventilation is most likely.

In industrial buildings, conditions may occur where application of airradiant systems may become economical.

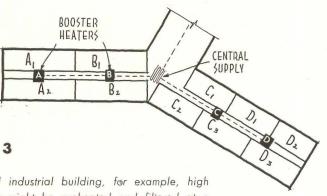
Restrictions to the size of buildings may not be as critical as would seem at first. The author can well visualize a combination of a high velocity supply duct and the system under discussion as shown in Fig. 3. Where fresh air requirements to the rooms are not excessive, a central filter-preheat coil-fan assembly could be provided at point "CS", supplying air to the high velocity duct work indicated by dashed lines. From here, high pressure air could be conveyed to booster heaters A to D, which could be located in the attic space and each individually controlled to suit the conditions in each zone A1, A2, B1, etc. From these coils, warm air would flow to the underground masonry conduits located around the building's periphery and from there on would be like the Dedham School.

It is most likely that the system will be used only in one- or two-story structures. Air ducts or conduits would present an increasing problem with growing height, although certain methods again may be used to overcome such restrictions. A hung ceiling forms a fine plenum chamber to carry hot air used simultaneously for a ceiling radiant panel for the room below and a floor panel for the room above.

Critical Materials

Presently, the system may gain impetus due to scarcity of metals. Considerable amounts of critical materials can be saved by proper design and application of this system.

High Velocity Air Distribution



In a small industrial building, for example, high velocity air might be preheated and filtered at a central supply, brought up to proper temperature by booster heaters (A, B, C, D) in the attic, and then delivered to a peripheral trench which would supply air to the rooms, as in the Dedham School

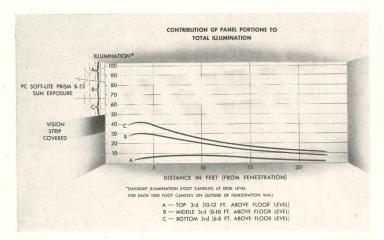
Obviously, in the gymnasium, where both were true, simple, direct control of unit ventilators by room thermostats could be used.

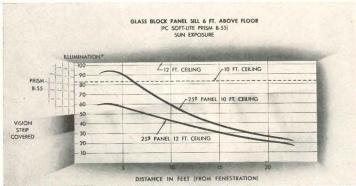
Quite different was the case of the school system. Here the conduit was broken down into runs supplying more than one room, and also the heat lag was more serious. Fig. 2 indicates the difficulties. The intricate heat balance of "heat supplied by air versus heat supplied by radiation" through conduit top was disturbed by the additional length of the underground conduit in Room 1. In order to obtain equal proportions of panel areas in Rooms 1 and 2, an insulating type trench cover was selected rather than plain concrete, which cut to a minimum the radiant heat supply of this portion of the conduit.

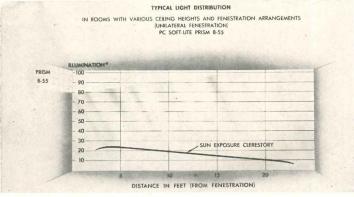
Furthermore, it was expected that the inertia of conduits would severely cool the air supplied to Room 2, particularly

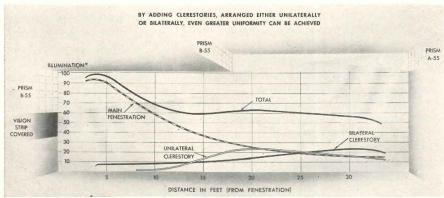
because its floor conduit is colder and radiation smaller than that of Room 1, which is nearer the warm air supply.)

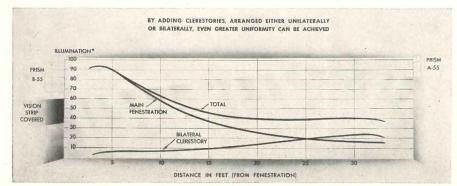
Controls had to be provided accordingly. In addition to a thermostat controlling the main heating coil ahead of the conduit, individual room control dampers were called for to regulate the air supplied to the room, from its minimum requirements - fixed by state law — to a maximum expected to be necessary to compensate for the difference in supply air temperature of Rooms 1 and 2. However, the owner decided to operate the system — at least for the first heating season — without individual room controls, and, much to our surprise, temperatures in all rooms could be maintained sufficiently close, so that the system is operating without room control dampers for the third heating season. This could be achieved only because of (a) rather careful manual damper setting by the owner, because











Research Points to Lower Classroom Costs with Lower Ceilings

Daylighting quality maintained while money and materials are conserved by reduced ceiling heights

Recent laboratory research undertaken by the Pittsburgh Corning Corp. points toward one solution to the problems of increased costs of construction and maintenance of schools. Tests made with light-directing prism type glass block demonstrated that costs could be cut, without sacrificing lighting efficiency, by planning classrooms with lower ceilings. Savings in materials and labor for lower ceiling classrooms are reported to range from \$150 to \$500 for each 1 ft reduction in height. Heating and maintenance costs are also reduced.

The effects in terms of daylighting of lower ceiling heights was demonstrated by the tests, graphic results of which may be seen at left. Since variation in ceiling height reduces the number of courses of glass blocks in the fenestration, engineers set out to determine which portion of a block panel supplies most light to the far side of a classroom. After blacking out the vision strip below a panel, they divided the panel into three portions, and blacked each of these in turn, while testing lighting levels in the room. The test revealed that the bottom third of the glass block panel yielded 50 per cent of the daylight directed to the area of the classroom opposite the fenestration. This performance relationship finding demonstrated that it was practical from the standpoint of lighting effectiveness to reduce ceiling heights. However, engineers pointed out that, since the lower courses of the blocks provide the illumination for the far side of the room, the sill height of the block panel should not be raised above 6 ft, since this would reduce the desired light distribution.

Several states are said to have already begun experimenting with the lower ceilings in conjunction with light-directing block and to have reported successful results. Pittsburgh Corning Corp., 307 Fourth Ave., Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

PRODUCTS for Better Building

Classroom Daylighting Analysis Compares Costs of 5 Schemes

This daylighting study, conducted by The Architect's Collaborative under the sponsorship of the Wasco Flashing Co., is a good example of unbiased product research to determine what type of classroom fenestration provides the best light for the least amount of money and critical materials. The sponsor's explicit objective was to compare the effectiveness of its line of Skydome plastic skylights with other schemes; TAC wished to analyze possible sections to use on their plans for the Flagg Street School in Worcester, Mass., now being prepared in association with Albert Roy. In order to make the study as objective as possible, Bernard F. Greene, Consulting Engineer of New York, was commissioned to prepare the lighting analysis, and Thomas Worcester, Inc., of Boston was employed to make actual take-offs and cost estimates for each system.

Four typical fenestration schemes were selected in addition to the one using white translucent Skydomes—all based on a typical elementary classroom plan from the Flagg St. School. For simplification, constant elements for all schemes—floors, cabinet work, etc.—were eliminated from the analysis. Thus figures are based generally on portions from window and transom sills upward, with consideration of the different ceiling heights involved. The architects feel that the results are fairly typical, although varying local conditions might give different cost results in competitive bidding.

The Criteria: the following objectives were used to measure the performance of each daylighting system:

- 1. Adequate illumination (in foot-candles) in all parts of room on sunny and overcast days (see Chart 3).
- 2. Brightness contrasts within comfortable ratios, without producing a visually "dead" room (see Chart 2).
- 3. Psychological factor room should take advantage of stimulating effect of natural light, let in sunlight or cut it out as needed.

Assumed Conditions: lighting — sky brightness (overcast) 1000 ft L, (clear day) 2000 ft L; 42 deg N latitude; 10 AM or 2 PM; March 21 or Sept. 21; sidewall window faces south.

CHART 1

ILLUMINATION	COST	SECTIONS*
PLAN	Comparative cost shown in percentages using lowest cost as base of reference.	
Good except for over- cast days. Lack of flexibility and possibil- ity of direct sun.	SCHEME A 103% Simple framing. Eliminating domes, clerestory, makes cost near B, C, despite higher cost of block.	The state of the s
Good for all conditions assuming control device for low sun angles.	SCHEME B 100% Simple framing. In spite of Skydome cost, slightly cheapest solution.	
Good except inside wall, where illumination drops. Also assumes sun control.	SCHEME C 103.5% Simple framing but slightly more, producing slightly higher cost than Scheme B.	
Least good. Little light from corridor monitor. Inside wall dark.	Framing of monitor over corridor more than off-sets otherwise simple framing.	
Good for all condi- tions assuming use of sun control device at times as in Scheme B.	Most complicated framing. Despite attempt to lighten structure, this is most expensive solution.	

* Ceiling Heights: Scheme A, 12 ft; B, 9ft-6 in.; C, 10 ft-10 in.; D, 10 ft-10 in.; E, 10 ft-10 in.

Reflectivity of points (see diagram, Chart 2): 2,3 and 4-70%; 5-20%; 6-60%; 7-80%; 8-60%.

Construction: classroom size, 28 by 34 ft.

Roof — tar and gravel on 3 in. decking. Frame — 3 bays per room; beams framing to $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. lally cols. in ext. walls. Inside walls — 12 in. painted concrete

block bearing walls.
Windows — wood subframes, fixed plate

Windows — wood subframes, fixed plate glass, opening metal vents.

Transoms — wire glass in metal frames.

Conclusions: Schemes B and E give

good even lighting levels on both sunny and overcast days. All Schemes except A have high brightness contrast ratios, especially on sunny days. Lighting experts debate as to proper ratio of task brightness to max. brightness within field of vision, some recommending as low as 3 to 1 ratio. Even Scheme A produces about a 1 to 10 ratio. TAC feels that a constantly low ratio produces an enervating effect — that perhaps the ideal condition is one in which these ratios can be varied, and even direct

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LITERATURE FOR THE OFFICE



Booklet, left, contains extensive report on research project for low-cost school system. Prototype school, below, developed through project, employs module framing, can be expanded, diminished or demounted

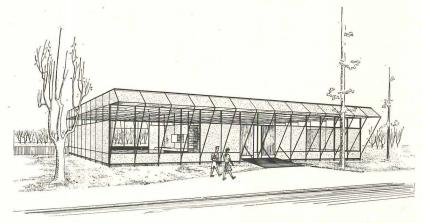
University Research Program Develops Low-Cost School

Unistrut School Construction: A Report of Research Project M 811. Descriptive booklet reports findings of a research project conducted by the University of Michigan Engineering Research Institute and sponsored by Charles W. Atwood, president of the Unistrut Corp. The objective of the research was the development of a standardized system of low-cost school construction, which would offer a high degree of durability and which would permit easy expansion and complete demounting of the structure for re-use when desired.

The system developed in the project consists of standardized steel framing members, bolted together with standard connector pieces. Pre-cut stock 48 in. panels of asbestos cement, glass and plastic are fitted into the framework, which is based on a 49 in. bay-space module.

The booklet describes the history of the project itself, with separate sections dealing in detail with the prototype school developed, the structural system evolved for it, and a bill of materials employed in the structure. All are fully illustrated with drawings and photographs. Appendices include data on heating, lighting, acoustics and roof system for this project. 68 pp., illus. College of Architecture and Design, Engineering Research Institute, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

*Other product information in Sweet's File. 1952.



Fluorescent Lighting Units

Great Northern Fluorescent Lighting Fixtures and Mercury Vapor Lighting. Catalog describes the manufacturer's line of commercial (recessed troffers), industrial, school and residential fluorescent units. Complete specifications are given, together with data on construction, finish, wiring, mounting, louvers, panels, sizes and component parts. Also included are dimensional diagrams and tables of coefficients for accessories. Both interior and exterior fixtures are illustrated and described. 52 pp., illus. Great Northern Mfg. Corp., 4217, 19–21 Harrison St., Chicago 24, Ill.

Stucco and Plaster Application Guide

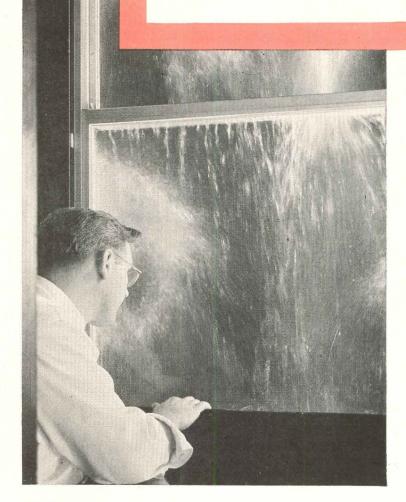
The Keystone System: Stucco Application, Plaster Reinforcing and other Reinforcing Applications. Designed to serve as a complete procedure guide for the application of siding and surfacing materials where open mesh steel reinforcing is required, this manual describes and illustrates in detail each step of a process recommended by the manufacturer on the basis of research tests and consultation with authorities in the field.

Methods of stucco application to new construction and overcoatings for older buildings are both included, and sections on plaster reinforcing and other uses for keymesh reinforcing are also featured. Various textures which may be achieved with stucco are shown and the processes for obtaining them are illustrated. Included among these textures are Spanish, Californian, Italian, Italian Travertine, English Cottage, Colonial and Modern American. The process for creating a simulated stone finish is also presented. A table of stucco application data is included in the volume along with many construction details and photographs and illustrations of typical projects. 44 pp., illus., Keystone Steel and Wire Co., Peoria 7, Ill.

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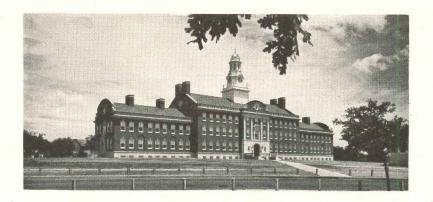
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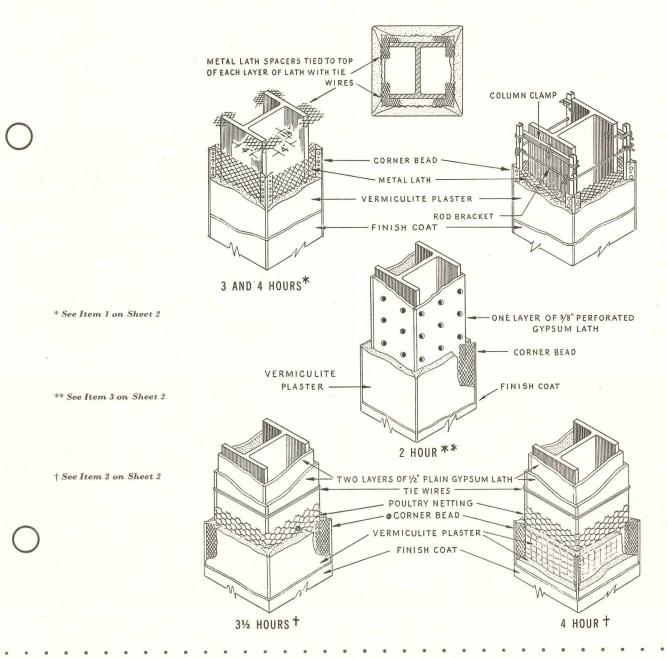
FIREPROOFING WITH LIGHTWEIGHT PLASTER: 1

The following sheets of details and fire test summaries on the use of lightweight vermiculite plaster fire-proofing are presented as one method of reducing structural steel tonnage and subsequent costs in construction.

The smaller deadload of lightweight plaster fireproofing requires somewhat smaller structural members, lighter reinforcing and supporting channels for the fireproofing, and smaller foundations. Such savings are more conspicuous in multi-story buildings, but are still evident in relatively small ones. All data contained in these pages is copyrighted by and presented through the courtesy of the Vermiculite Institute.

TYPICAL COLUMN FIREPROOFING DETAILS

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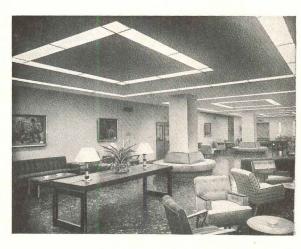
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FIREPROOFING WITH LIGHTWEIGHT PLASTER: 2

		SUMM	ARY OF FL	OOR AND CEILING FIR	E TESTS		
	-	CONSTRUCTION	AVERAGE TEMPERATURE AT RATING INDICATED	DESCRIPTION	RATING	AUTHORITY	ITEM No.
2	STEEL PLATE ONSTRUCTION		203°F — 910 — 1142 — 2000	Steel Plate Floor Assembly 2" ver- miculite concrete topping. Suspended ceiling with 1" vermiculite plaster over face of metal lath.	4 hrs.	Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. Ret. 2773—9/12/44	I.
ā	STEEL			2 ½" sand concrete topping. Attached or suspended ceiling of vermiculite plaster on metal lath. 1"	4 hrs. 3 hrs.	National Bureau of Standards BMS92—Table 44	2.
BLIES	CELLULAR STEEL CONSTRUCTION		239°F 796 1009 2000	Minimum of 2" cinder concrete fill. Furred ceiling of $\%$ inch vermiculite plaster over face of metal lath. Distance $x=2\%$ " or more.	4 hrs.	Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. Ret. 2689—12/18/39	3.
ASSEMB				Minimum of $2''$ sand concrete fill. Furred ceiling of $1''$ vermiculite plaster on metal lath. Distance $x=2''$ or more.	4 hrs.	National Bureau of Standards BMS92—Table 45	4.
OR AND ROOF		X 83883	233°F 	Minimum of 2% sand concrete fill. Suspended ceiling of $\%$ vermiculite plaster plus $\%$ of vermiculite acoustical plastic over the face of metal lath. Distance $x=7\%$ or more. Distance $y=2\%$ or more.	4 hrs.	Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. Ret 2773—11/29/50	5.
FLOOR		X Y	266°F — 720 — 837 — 878 — 1925	Minimum of 2" sand concrete fill. Suspended ceiling of $\frac{1}{2}$ " vermiculite plaster over the face of metal lath. Distance $x = 15\frac{1}{2}$ " or more. Distance $y = 3\frac{1}{2}$ " or more. Ceiling had openings for two duct outlets as shown and for two electrical outlet boxes; aggregate area of openings did not exceed 100 square inches in each 100 square feet of ceiling area. Duct openings protected by fire dampers as shown.	3 hrs.	Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. Ret. 2689—12/13/49 Submitter (floor manufacturer) stopped test at 3 hours. In test of similar floor construction without openings in ceiling (see item No. 3 above) average temperatures at 3 hours were: unexposed surface unexposed surface 190°F cellular floor unexposed side of lath 920° exposed plaster surface 1925°	6.
	D LIGHT JCTION	38.50 x 39 450 x 354		2½" sand concrete fill. 1" vermiculite plaster on metal lath.	4 hrs.		
	JOIST AND LIGHT			2½" sand concrete fill. ¾" ver- miculite plaster on metal lath.	3 hrs.	National Bureau of Standards BMS92—Table 43	7.
	STEEL J			2" sand concrete fill. 34" vermicu- lite plaster on metal lath.	21/2 hrs.		
	ATTACHED or FURRED	P. P		Ceiling of 1" of vermiculite plaster on metal lath attached to or furred from the lower flange of supporting primary beams.	4 hrs.	National Bureau of Standards BMS92—Tables 43 & 44 and Para. 1, Page 41 & Para. 4, Page 42	
WITH				Ceiling of 34" of vermiculite plaster on metal lath attached to or furred from the lower flange of supporting primary beams.	3 hrs.		8.
ROOFING				Ceiling of ³ 4" of vermiculite plaster on metal lath attached to or furred from the lower flange of supporting primary beams.	21/2 hrs.	, ý	
EPROOLE MATE	E N D E D		975°F 1142 2000	Ceiling of 1" of vermiculite plaster over the face of metal lath. At least 2½" air space between structural members and back of metal lath.	4 hrs.	Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. Ret. 2773—1/20/47	9.
CEILING FIREPINCOMBUSTIBLE			853°F 913 2000	Ceiling of %" of vermiculite plaster plus ½" of vermiculite acoustical plastic over the ∮ace of metal lath. At least 2½" dir space between structural members and back of metal lath.	4 hrs.	Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. Ret. 2773—11/29/50	10.
CEIL	S U S	DUCT	837°F 878 °F 1925	Ceiling of 76." of vermiculite plaster over the face of metal lath. Ceiling had openings for two duct outlets as shown and for two electrical outlet boxes; aggregate area of openings did not exceed 100 square inches in each 100 square feet of ceiling area. Duct openings protected by dampers.	3 hrs.	Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. Ret. 2689—12/13/49 See comments under item 6 above	11.

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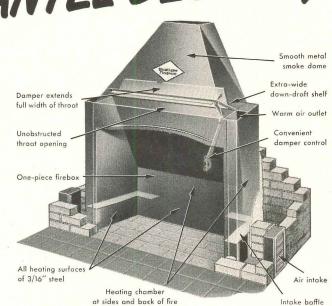
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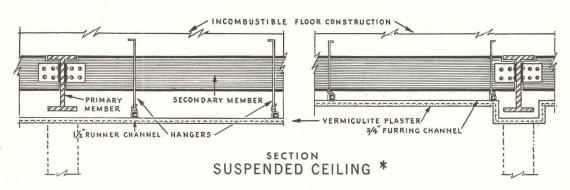
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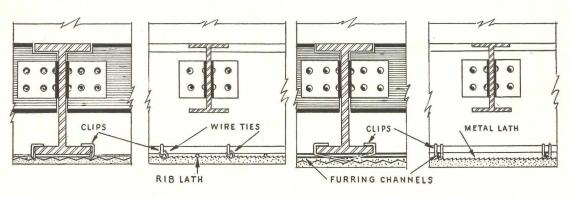


FIREPROOFING WITH LIGHTWEIGHT PLASTER: 3

TYPICAL BEAM, GIRDER AND TRUSS FIREPROOFING DETAILS

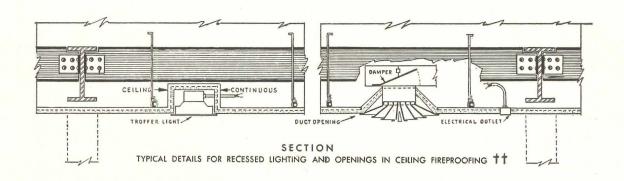
FIREPROOFING PRIMARY AND SECONDARY MEMBERS WITH A CEILING NO SCALE





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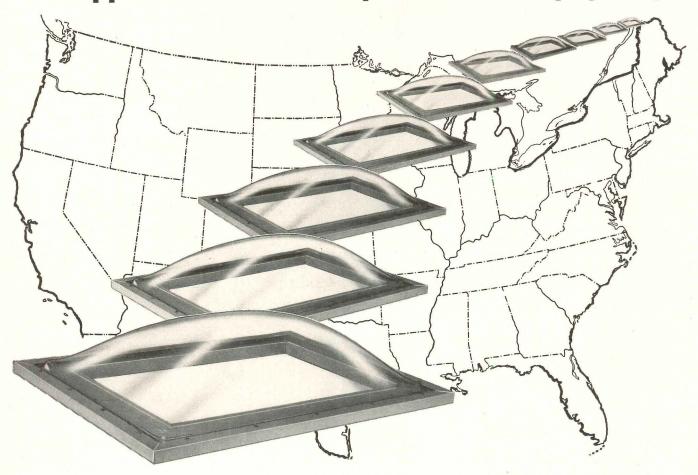
^{*} See Items 1-2-5-6-9-10-11 on Sheet 4

[†] See Items 3-4-8 on Sheet 4

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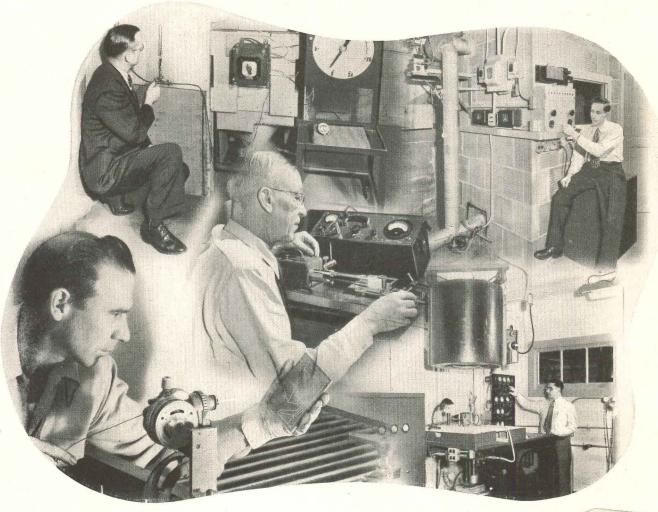
		SUMMARY O	F COLUM	N AND SOLID PARTITIO	N FIRE	TESTS	
		CONSTRUCTION	AVERAGE TEMPERATURE AT RATING INDICATED DESCRIPTION		RATING	AUTHORITY	ITEM No.
	AL LATH		— 785°F — 2000	Column protected with 1 ½" vermiculite plaster over the face of metal lath. Lath spaced 1 ¼" from column flanges. Space behind lath on flange faces filled with plaster, as shown.	4 hrs.	Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. Ret. 2851—5/10/49	1.
S	MET		—— 802°F — 1925	Same protection as above except 1" vermiculite plaster over face of metal lath.	3 hrs.		
W	А Т Н	Column protected with 1 ½" vermiculite plas ter applied over two layers of ½" thick longlength plain gypsum lath wrapped with on layer of hexagonal mesh poultry netting.		d over two layers of ½" thick long in gypsum lath wrapped with one	4 hrs.	National Bureau of Standards Test 294	2.
7	1 W			tection as above except 1" vermicu- r applied over gypsum lath.	31/2 hrs.		
0 0	G Y P S U		Column protected with 1" vermiculite plaster applied over one layer of 36" thick perforated gypsum lath.		2 hrs.	National Bureau of Standards Test 294	3.
N S	M LATH		of 1/2" th	niculite plaster applied to each face ick long length plain gypsum lath. Overall thickness of partition 2½"	2 hrs.	National Bureau of Standards	4.
т 1 о	GYPSU	face of !	ermiculite plaster applied to each J_2 thick long length plain gypsum studs. Overall thickness of partition	I hr.	Tests 300 & 301		
RTI	LATH.		ened to	te plaster applied on metal lath fast- incombustible studs spaced 16" on Overall thickness of partition 2½".	2 hrs.	National Bureau of Standards	-
P A	METAL		ened to	ite plaster applied on metal lath fast- incombustible studs spaced 16" on Overall thickness of partition 2".	I hr.	Tests 298 & 299	5.

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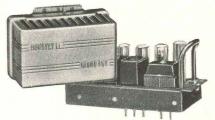


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