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ARCHITECTS FLOCK TO A.I.A. REGIONAL CONFERENCES

New Regional Councils Formed; Functionalism Attacked and Defended — Season Opens

The string of regional conferences of the American Institute of Architects which launched the fall season with a vengeance during the last six weeks had an aggregate attendance well over 2000 and programs that ranged from discussions of such specific subjects as tilt-up construction and the problems of young architects entering the field to the esthetics of architecture. On that latter topic comment ranged from Edward Stone's characterization of purely functional architecture as "weak tea" to Charles Eames' assertion that there's too much "function is all right, but — " comment around these days. Organization of regional councils at some meetings and at least preliminary discussions at all furthered the prospects of intensified regional activity. The A.I.A. Board of Directors said in June it hoped regional councils would be organized in all districts to increase A.I.A. benefits to members and keep the Board in closer touch with architects and the problems they face.

"Schools in the Southeast" was the official theme of the first annual conference of the South Atlantic District of the A.I.A., held in late September at Atlanta with the Georgia Chapter as host. An exhibit of 115 new education building projects was a major feature of the conference; projects on view, shown in scale models, photographs and drawings, represented the work of architects in all of the states of the South Atlantic Region — Florida, North Carolina and South Carolina as well as Georgia.

Citations for meritorious design went to Lo Bush - Brown, Gailey and Heffernan, Architects, for the new library building at Georgia Institute of Technology; Stevens and Wilkinson, also of Atlanta, for the East Rivers School and Roswell High School, Atlanta; William J. Lyles, Bisset, Carlisle and Wolfe, Columbia, S. C., for the Langley-Bath-Clearwater High School, Aiken County, S. C.; G. Milton Small, Raleigh, for the Nuclear Reactor Laboratory, University of North Carolina, Raleigh; and E. Oren Smith, Columbus, for the new Negro High School, Muscogee County, Ga.

Mentions were given to four other firms: Aeck Associates, Atlanta, for the men's dormitory, Fort Valley, Ga., State College; Robert M. Little, Miami, for Ring Theater, University of Miami; Burrett H. Stephens and Robert H. Stephens, New Bern, N. C., New Bern High School; and Watson and Deutsch.
Northwest Regional Conference: A.I.A. Executive Director Edmund Purves; Regional Director Irving D. Smith; Francis Joseph McCarthy, A.I.A., San Francisco, vice chairman of A.I.A. Committee on Public Relations, a speaker; and President Stanton Speakers in the South Atlantic Conference seminar on school building in the southeast: Thomas Cooper, North Carolina A.I.A. president; Robert Little, A.I.A., Miami; Henry Wright, A.I.A., Los Angeles; and William Henry Dietrick, North Carolina At Lake Placid, officers of the New York State Association of Architects: Harry M. Prince, New York, 3rd vice president; G. Morton Wolfe, Buffalo, 2nd vice president; Adolph Goldberg, Brooklyn, 1st vice president; Donald Q. Faragher, Rochester, president; John W. Briggs, Rochester, secretary; and Martyn Weston, Brooklyn, treasurer. At right above: the well-known philosopher Roger Allen provided the New York convention's lightest moments discussing "Philosophy for the Architect"

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man, Miami, North Dade High School, Dade County, Fla.
Regional Director G. Thomas Harmon III of Columbia, S. C., was elected chairman of the South Atlantic Regional Council organized at the conference by action of all the chapter presidents of the district.
The week during which the conference was held was proclaimed by Gov. Her­man Talmadge "Architects' Week" in Georgia and the cause of public know­ledge of architecture was further advanced by the conference committee's action in arranging for the architectural exhibit at the Atlanta Biltmore head­quarters to be open to the public.
At the seventh annual Central States Regional Conference in Kansas City October 9–11, "The Esthetic Evaluation of the Art of Architecture" held the spotlight, with seminars on "Esthetic Qualities in Architecture," "Sculpture as Related to Architecture," "Painting as Related to Architecture," and "Stained Glass in Architecture."
Edward Stone of New York bewailed the approach of architects of the last two decades as "an arid utilitarian expression, computing cubic costs long before we have had a chance to dream of anything beautiful."
"Our utilitarian formula," Mr. Stone said, "works extremely well when applied to industrial buildings, hospitals and office structures, but does not apply with equal force to churches, domestic architecture and civic buildings where monumentality is a consideration and utility is not the prime consideration."
Charles Eames, on the other hand, insisted there are still too many aspects of architecture that are too calculable but neglected. He thought it was a little soon to start "but-ing" function out of existence.
The appeal for feeling and "human quality" in architecture was voiced again by Bruce Goff, who saw much contemporary architecture as "too mechan­anistic and materialistic."
"There is some little danger if the trend should continue that architecture in this country might become a meaningless formula, repeated over and over without reason," Mr. Goff asserted.
As for art in architecture, Thomas Hart Benton felt painting and sculpture could not regain their place in architecture or society until artists again are interpreting public life and ideas instead
of their own lives and ideas.

Public relations and the architect was a major subject of discussion, both formal and informal, at the Northwest Regional Conference at Spokane October 3-5. Main speaker in this field was Francis Joseph McCarthy of San Francisco, vice chairman of the A.I.A.'s National Public Relations Committee, who emphasized that service to the public is the vital basis of a public relations program for architects; "publicity" as such is only a tool, however useful.

At the conference, the Northwest Regional Council, organized last year as the second in the nation, nominated Waldo B. Christenson of Seattle as its candidate for regional director to succeed Irving G. Smith of Portland, whose term expires next June.

The Sierra Nevada Regional Conference, held jointly with the annual meeting of the California Council of Architects, had an attendance of 600, including all the charter members of the Orange County, Calif., Chapter of the A.I.A., a new chapter (105th in the nation, 10th in California) instituted at the opening session.

The program included presentation to John S. Bolles of Sun Francisco of the Valentine Kirby Award for the California architect who has best incorporated original art into his building.

Seminars featured tilt-up construction and a special program for junior associates of the A.I.A. on "Entering the Field." Dean William Wurster of the University of California called for a more scholarly approach in the schools to develop "a core of design and expression, a core of technology, a core of humanism based on a general knowledge of the world." Clinton C. Ternstrom, A.I.A., representing the practitioner's viewpoint, also stressed that to be good architects young men must understand the architect's job in society as well as in the office.

There was a report on Polish architects' reaction to contemporary American architecture from Thomas L. Creighton, editor of Progressive Architecture, who spent 10 days in Poland last summer with a group of 50 architects from 20 countries who toured Poland at the invitation of the Polish Society of Architects. Mr. Creighton said the Polish architects feel contemporary U.S. architecture is so tied up with technological development that it follows preconceived esthetic concepts — the reverse of "form follows function"; that it has no relation to the needs of the people; that it has no roots in folk or historical architecture. Mr. Creighton, while taking issue with these views, suggested that a reexamination of our own architecture and methods may be indicated in the light of Soviet criticism and its influence on so many people in all phases of art.

The Great Lakes Regional Council of the A.I.A. was organized at a joint meeting with the Ohio Society of Architects in Cincinnati October 2-3. Chairman is John N. Richards, Toledo, regional director; secretary, Charles H. Marr, New Philadelphia, Ohio.

Awards of Merit were given at the annual convention of the New York State Association of Architects, held October 2-3 at Lake Placid, to Robert A. Green, Tarrytown, for the Ardsley Elementary School; Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Surgeon, Webster, Crenshaw & Folley, Associate Architects, for the Edward John Noble Hospital, Alexan-

dria Bay, N.Y.; and to Skidmore, Owings & Merrill and Merrill Claude Hooton, Associate Architects, for the Pan-American Life Insurance Building, New Orleans.

Mention awards went to King & King, Sargent, Webster, Crenshaw & Folley, for North Syracuse Central School District Junior-Senior High School; Moore & Hutchins, for the Roslyn East Hills Elementary School; Kelly & Gruzen, for Elmwood, N. J., Shopping Center; Sargent, Webster, Crenshaw & Folley, for Marsellus Residence, Dewitt, N. Y., and St. Lawrence Central School, Brasher Falls, N. Y.; and Skidmore, Owings & Merrill for Brooklyn V.A. Hospital, Greenwich, Conn., Hospital and Manhattan House, New York City.

NEW ARCHITECTURE BUILDING

The million-dollar Architecture Building of the Georgia Institute of Technology, designed and supervised by members of the architectural staff, was formally dedicated as part of the South Atlantic Regional Conference program. The building, of reinforced concrete construction with brick walls and aluminum window framing, is built on three levels; a library and gallery over an open concourse join the two main wings—a four-and-a-half story classroom wing to the north and a two-story wing to the south containing auditorium, exhibition and judgment room and offices. Architects: Bush-Brown, Gailey & Heffernan

Sierra Nevada Regional Conference
Delegate Kenneth Roehling of Hawaii, A.I.A. President Glenn L. Stanton and Charles Matcham, regional director

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NEW SCHOOL PROJECTS
PLANNED TO CUT COSTS

Robert A. Green, Tarrytown, N. Y., architect, thinks he has reached with these projects and a fourth at Ardsley, N. Y. (see page 145) the culmination of several years' effort to lower school costs by careful design practices. In an area where school building costs average $18-$21 per sq ft, he has two schools (Purchase and Tarrytown) out for bid with budget estimates of $12 and $14 per sq ft respectively and a third (Valhalla) under construction at $15 per sq ft actual cost. These results have been achieved by constant plugging to eliminate waste space and constant attention to design of the structure to require minimum work at the site.

In all of these schools, corridors are kept to the essential minimum; classroom sizes are generous but units are planned so all space is utilized. The structural design and detailing is guided by an effort to reduce the number and kinds of units and finishes employed — by such devices as standard sizes for windows; stock materials and equipment: standard cabinets for all classrooms, standard plumbing, shop-fabricated steel window frames which become part of the structure so no lintels are needed; virtual elimination of woodwork and paint.

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N. E. A. SURVEY REFLECTS INCREASED SCHOOL NEEDS

The continuing and increasing need for more school buildings is well documented in the National Education Association's October 1952 research bulletin "The Effects of Mobilization and the Defense Effort on the Public Schools."

Of 1270 school systems in American cities of 2500 population or over which responded to an N.E.A. questionnaire sent out last December, 30.5 per cent reported that if all projects under way were completed the number of classrooms urgently needed would still be larger than it was two years ago; another 56.7 per cent said in spite of new construction the number of urgently needed classrooms was the same.

The leading reason for the failure of the school building program to catch up with the need was reflected in the testimony of the school systems on increased enrollments—not only in elementary but in secondary schools as well.

Educators put overcrowded school buildings second only to the shortage of qualified teachers among "serious current problems" listed by N.E.A. Of school systems responding, 22.1 per cent reported more pupils housed in make-shift classrooms than in 1949 and 68.1 per cent reported as many; 8.1 reported a larger number of pupils on a half-day schedule (because space must be shared) and 85.4 per cent reported as many.

School building projects "which should be started soon but probably cannot be" were reported by 46.8 per cent of respondents; 41 per cent said the delays were due to financing difficulties, 34.3 per cent to materials shortages and 14.4 per cent to a combination of the two factors.

Projects under way that were halted by "current conditions" were acknowledged by 162 of the school systems, or only 13.2 per cent, largely (74.1 per cent) due to the materials shortage; but N.E.A. points out that pupil accommodations involved in the stoppages reported by only 144 of the 162 cities amounted to 115,315.

College Enrollments Rise

Sixty-five per cent of 507 institutions reporting show an increase in college freshman this fall, Dr. Raymond Walters, University of Cincinnati president, has announced. The rise in freshman enrollment has halted a downward trend of college registrations.

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"Notice how the space flows up and down as well as sideways—"

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Banco Capitalizador de Monterrey, Mexico, Monterrey’s newest bank building, has one huge window, set approximately 2 ft behind marble slats; the building is so oriented that when the sun is at its height the slats shield the window to reduce heat and glare. The façade is marble. The building is entirely air conditioned. Architects were Marcelo Zambrano and Guillermo Belden of Monterrey.

NEW BUILDINGS

Faith Hospital in St. Louis has just been dedicated. Patients’ rooms face south for maximum sun in winter, are recessed for control of heat and light in summer. The hospital, which cost $1,200,000, has 200 beds. Architect: Joseph D. Murphy

This new building for the executive offices of the Chain Belt Company of Milwaukee was designed by the architects, Eschweiler and Eschweiler, to allow addition of third and fourth floors in later expansion. Exteriors are brick, with stainless-steel-facing between continuous metal windows; structural frame is reinforced concrete, with a center span of 40 ft and 13-ft cantilevers on the north and south sides. Core of the building, with the 40-ft clear span, is the general office space, with private offices, wash rooms, lounge, vault and stair wells around the perimeter. The building is air conditioned throughout.
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Wayne University Community Arts Building; view from the southeast. Parts of the Art, Music and Speech Departments of the College of Liberal Arts and of the College of Education will be housed in the building, which will also have a 600-seat auditorium for the use of all colleges and schools of the university as well as the public.

NEW FINE ARTS CENTER PLANNED FOR WAYNE UNIVERSITY

Plans for a Community Arts Building for Wayne University, Detroit, Mich., have received approval from the Detroit Board of Education. Architect for the structure is Suren Pilafian.

Planned to house parts of the art, music and speech departments of the College of Liberal Arts and of the College of Education, the building is to include eventually a 600-seat auditorium for the use of all colleges and schools of the university and the general public as well. The entire building will be able to accommodate over 3000 persons at one time.

Separate multi-story wings are provided for each of the three departments. Each wing is connected at the first floor to the others and to the auditorium and an outdoor exhibition area. The architect has explained that this arrangement provides better acoustical isolation and natural illumination for each department than a more compact arrangement would afford. This is achieved at no additional cost, and provides for more efficient spatial relationships within each department, Mr. Pilafian noted. In addition, the scheme makes it economically possible to construct each division separately, if necessary, and permits flexible enlargement of each unit.

The music wing is a three-story structure housing rehearsal rooms (separated from the rest of the buildings by one-story sound-lock vestibules), classrooms, practice rooms, study and listening rooms, offices and a library. The four-story art wing, including a fully used basement, contains studios and shops for the various arts and crafts and is planned to provide good north light. The speech wing is five stories high, again including a fully used basement, and houses radio and television studios in addition to departmental offices, specialized classrooms and laboratory facilities.

Construction will be largely of concrete, with structural steel framing employed over tall spaces where fire-proofing is not required. Exterior facing will be of brick with stone and aluminum trim. Windows will be largely glass block on the south and heat-absorbing blue glass on some of the east and west exposures. Spandrel facing materials will be light weight insulated panels coated with polyester plastic or steel sheets finished with porcelain enamel.

Landscaped sculpture court (right foreground) is planned for space surrounded by art wing, exhibit areas, speech wing and future theater (left foreground). Court will have sloping lawn for use as outdoor theater for simple performances. Outdoor study facilities will be provided.
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Construction is in process for a new $8,500,000 Terminal Building for the Newark, N. J., Airport operated by the Port of New York Authority. Reopening of the airport, which has been the subject of controversy ever since a series of three disastrous air crashes in nearby Elizabeth forced it to close February 11, 1952, is now expected to take place within the next few months.

Architect of the terminal is the Port of New York Authority; A. Gordon Lorimer is consulting architect.

Steelwork for the new building has already been erected, and construction has passed the halfway mark. Completion is expected in summer 1953 for the main structure and one of the loading fingers. The other finger is scheduled for completion in December 1953.

The new terminal will have five times as much floor space as the present outmoded Administration Building, which is 18 years old. The existing building is to be converted to other uses.

Hangar Construction Used

An interesting constructional feature of the new building is its adaptation of a basic structural framework usually employed in hangar construction. Purpose of this construction is to permit easy conversion and maximum flexibility for other purposes whenever the building is no longer useful in its present role.

The terminal will have a main floor of approximately 93,000 sq ft in area and a surrounding mezzanine comprising 43,000 sq ft. The main floor provides (Continued on page 342)
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R.A.I.C. President Finds Building Outlook Good

The $35.1 million fall-off in construction contracts awarded in September 1952 compared with September 1951, as reported by MacLean Building Reports Ltd., is not regarded with too much concern by R. S. Morris, president of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, who sees the slowdown as a temporary one.

Mr. Morris, pointing out that steel restrictions have dammed up certain classes of construction, suggests that the captive demand thus created has now become very great and will keep the industry in the larger centers active for many months when released.

"Considerable expansion of the means of producing building materials has taken place during the last few years," Mr. Morris says. "No serious shortage is to be expected except in steel, which will probably be under heavy demand for at least some months after the removal of restrictions."

As for construction costs, Mr. Morris' opinion is that the substantial increase that has taken place in wage rates has been compensated for by a decrease in prices. He adds: "Given stability in prices generally, we may look forward to fairly stable costs and a high, if somewhat spotty, level of activity."

Continued High Level Seen For 1953 Defense Building

R. G. Johnson, president of Defense Construction (1951) Ltd., says defense construction contract volume will remain high, that there would be many more tender calls for substantial projects, and a big bulk of smaller jobs, during the second half of the current fiscal year.

Mr. Johnson told the Maritime Regional Conference of the Canadian Construction Association that the dollar total of defense construction contracts awarded in 1952-53 will be "similar" in amount to that of 1951-52 when the figure was $205 million. And he reminded C.C.A. members that the size of the over-all defense construction program will remain high, that there would be many more tender calls for substantial projects, and a big bulk of smaller jobs, during the second half of the current fiscal year.

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Steel Controls Relaxed, May End Before 1953

The Canadian government appears to have adopted a plan to ease present steel controls. With the U. S. steel strike over, and domestic steel production soaring to new heights, general contractors and builders are now getting permission to buy as much as 200 tons at a time.

The generosity of the Government's steel administration in making allocations is being applied to all types of construction with the exception of breweries, liquor stores and recreational centers such as dance halls, bowling alleys and theaters.

As pressure of demand for steel eases, the 200-ton ceiling may go even higher. Informed sources estimate that by the (Continued on page 32)
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end of the year the Government may lift all bans on the use of steel for any type of construction and on the amount of steel that may be stockpiled by any company.

The Government's steel administration is issuing permission freely to companies which want to get as much as 500 tons of ingot steel from American sources, but it still is keeping a tight hold on steel obtained on allocation through the U. S. Government's Controlled Materials Plan. It probably will continue to do so for months.

Reason for this is that CMP was devised to coordinate channeling of steel first to defense projects and then to essential industry. Canada's allocation—roughly about one third of her domestic production—was granted to help Canadian defense and defense-supporting industries fight steel scarcities in Canada.

The Government distributes this steel, roughly equivalent to about one million ingot tons a year in various fabricated states, strictly on the basis of essentiality and need. Once Washington eliminates CMP, of course, Canadian industry will be free to scramble for U. S. steel as it did before Korea.

Canadian steel production is rapidly expanding. Steel mills currently are producing about 3.2 million tons a year, and by mid-1952 this is expected to jump to almost four million tons annually.

**Tax Brake on Building Expected to Ease Soon**

Another easing of anti-inflation brakes is expected shortly. Ottawa indicates that deferred depreciation regulations imposed early in 1951 are to be either wiped out or modified considerably. At present, business firms cannot claim for income tax purposes depreciation on certain classes of capital assets acquired or on certain types of new construction.
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**More Money, Fewer Units:** Housing Loans Show Gain

Loans approved for new housing during the first seven months of 1952 in Canada by insurance, loan and trust companies totaled $157 million, the Dominion Mortgage & Investment Association reports. For the same period in 1951 the total was $146 million.

The higher cost of new housing and the larger loan available is noted by the fact that the number of housing units financed during this period this year was 23,200 as compared with 23,300 last year. The average for this year for each unit was $8767 as compared with $8267.

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**CANADA**
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in 1951. For new single dwellings the average loan was $7801 as compared with $6797 last year.

Permafrost Building Problems Studied by Research Council

Field study of some building problems created by permafrost has been started by the Division of Building Research of the National Research Council. A small experimental permafrost research station is now being established at Norman Wells, N.W.T., with the cooperation of Imperial Oil Ltd., which operates a small oil field and refinery at this far northern outpost on the Mackenzie River just south of the Arctic Circle.

Permafrost is the name given to ground which is always frozen to great depths; it presents many problems in the northern half of Canada. If the ground consists of soil, the soil will thaw out during the heat of summer to a depth of a few inches. Usually such soil is covered with muskeg and these acts as an insulating blanket, preventing summer heat from penetrating very far. If this surface cover is removed, as it must be for many building operations, conditions are immediately changed. The permafrost will be thawed to much greater depths and so may release a lot of water which often causes trouble in road construction and in the foundations of buildings. Such problems constitute one of the main groups of peculiarly Canadian building problems which the N.R.C. Division of Building Research has been studying. Present activity in the Canadian North lends urgency to the solution of permafrost building problems. For two summers, the Division has participated in field studies of permafrost in the Mackenzie River Valley. On the basis of these investigations, Norman Wells was selected as the most suitable location for the start of actual field research. J. A. Pihlainen, a graduate civil engineer, is in charge.

It will be some time before the first results of the experiments will be available, since the research is completely dependent upon the climate. A start has been made, however, and Canada now has one of the most northerly building research stations in the world.
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Non-Defense Building Needs Are Also Recognized

Will this country continue to expand its industrial base extensively in the months ahead?

With many of the initial expansion programs in the Korean emergency situation now being realized, and with courses for others charted well into the future, this question will have to be answered soon. And the decisions will have strong import for the architect and engineer whose work includes heavy commercial and industrial work.

Much of the seventh quarterly report of the Office of Defense Mobilization has been devoted to discussing this topic. The report referred to studies now in progress to determine the "wartime need" for antifriction bearings, turbines for naval vessels, hydraulic presses, heavy steel and aluminum castings, heavy forgings, heavy steel plate, various forms of aluminum needed for aircraft and specialized refinery equipment for making aviation gasoline. These are fields in which it might be decided further expansion of production facilities is needed.

Goals already have been set for the specialized facilities required for production of military-type power cranes and shovels, crawler-type tractors, tapered aluminum sheet, electrical connectors, specialized electric motors, specialized copper wire products and precision optical equipment.

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ODM explained that as studies of specialized industries are completed, findings will be referred to the industries concerned.

Construction of facilities for producing highly specialized equipment presents the problem of attracting investment capital. ODM realizes that such facilities would not be fully used, and therefore not be as profitable, before and (Continued on page 294)

Rufe B. Newman, former head of National Production Authority's Construction Controls Division, who has been appointed chief of the Facilities and Construction Bureau of NPA. Stephen W. Burns, who has been deputy director, has been named director of the Construction Controls Division to succeed Mr. Newman

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Architect: Sorey, Hill & Sorey, Oklahoma City; Associate Architect: Phillip A. Willbur and Associated, Stillwater; Contractor: Manhattan Construction Co., Muskogee; Mechanical Contractor: Oller Heating Co., Oklahoma City

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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 = 110
index for city B = 95

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

Then: costs in A are approximately 16 per cent higher than in B.

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Conversely: costs in B are approximately 14 per cent lower than in A.

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Cost comparisons cannot be made between different types of construction because the index numbers for each type relate to a different U. S. average for 1926-29.

Material prices and wage rates used in the current indexes make no allowance for payments in excess of published list prices, thus indexes reflect minimum costs and not necessarily actual costs.

These index numbers will appear regularly on this page.
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PHOTOGRAPHING HOUSES


REVIEWED BY JAMES S. HORNBECK, A.I.A.

Here, for the first time, is a book for architects, photographers and decorators that explains in detail how to take interior and exterior pictures of a house. Since the literature of photography is heavily overbalanced towards technical information on equipment, materials, processing and techniques, this writer avoids the all too common what-film-and-developer-do-you-use approach to the subject. Instead, he offers a clear exposition on what to photograph and why — how to do it most effectively by judicious camera location and lighting — shows by actual comparative examples how a shift in viewpoint can improve a picture. There is also an interesting explanation of how a series of photographs of a house can be brought into visual unity by a method of landmark keying which the author calls room orientation.

The first section of the book consists of chapters on procedure, camera angles, height of camera, orientation, lighting, indoor-outdoor views, dressing the scene, and taking architectural photographs with a small camera. Next is a seven-chapter section called A Portfolio of Rooms, which devotes an entire illustrated chapter to each of the typical rooms in a house and explains how to cope with the special photographic problems each area presents. The book’s concluding chapter deals with making a set of photographs of the entire house and discusses a method of planning the sequence of shots in order to produce a series of views logically chosen and visually effective.

Each chapter starts with a short text which continues in caption form to point up the lessons in the illustrations. The volume contains some 325 sparkling examples of residential photography, all made by the author. The pictorial quality of the book should appeal to prospective home owners, who will find many ideas for interior decoration con-

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tained in its illustrations and explained by the captions.

The author, Robert C. Cleveland, is a well-known West Coast photographer of architecture whose work is regularly published in both architectural and consumer periodicals.

HUMANITY VS. INDUSTRIALISM


These provocative discussions of the effects of industrialism on human beings — the product of the opinions of some 100 distinguished participants with widely varying viewpoints — were held at Corning, New York, in May 1951, under the auspices of the American Council of Learned Societies and the Corning Glass Works. The conference was only two days long and resulted in no dramatic action or resolutions, but thanks to an intelligent job of editing the ideas developed or incepted have been preserved in a form that may make them the basis of other discussions and future conferences.

In individual round table meetings delegates from such diverse fields as art, architecture, business management, education, government, organized labor and the press — to mention only the most obvious — considered the various aspects of human values in relation to industrial civilization. Some typical questions were: What values determine satisfactions of work? Must leisure be used for self-improvement? What advantages can the American type of industrial civilization offer other countries? What has happened to our sense of community? Has modern man lost confidence in himself and the universe? Perhaps the outstanding characteristic of these meetings was the conscientious effort of the participants to abandon clichés and stereotypes and to achieve objectivity. Margaret Mead, the anthropologist, was "amused with the effort to prove that business and the academic world don't understand each other." "I've never," she declared, "seen fewer signs of people not understanding each other."

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AIR CONDITIONING FOR HYGROSCOPIC SUBSTANCES IN MASS PRODUCTION

(Among the many hygroscopic products in mass production—natural and synthetic textile fibers, chemical salts, biological and drug substances, and food products—tobacco manufacturers early learned that progress depended upon positive control of humidity and temperature. Today, designers for all plants where hygroscopic substances are important rank air conditioning high in initial planning.)

Air Conditioning for Tobacco Manufacturing

By A. C. BUENSOD, Mechanical Engineer, New York, N. Y.

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Tobacco is one of the most hygroscopic materials in mass production. If it gets too wet, it mildews and spoils. If allowed to get too dry, the leaf crumbles and is useless. These reasons, together with the rapid development of the industry after the turn of the century, provided the incentives for the early application of air conditioning. Today, the modern tobacco plant is planned with built-in air conditioning from the start. Exact engineering is essential to assure safe operation and uniform moisture standards.

PIONEER DEVELOPMENT

The late Dr. Willis H. Carrier first applied principles of air conditioning to control the regain of leaf tobacco in the leaf-handling plant of Hodges in Paducah, Ky., in 1909. (Regain is the amount of water absorbed hygro­scopically in the leaf.) Dr. Carrier even used a hand of tobacco as the hygroscopic element in the regulating and controlling system for producing humidity in the air.

From 1909 to 1915 intensive studies were made of the regain of different kinds of tobacco at varying humidities and temperatures. (Regain, to be constant, requires slightly higher humidities at higher temperatures.) During this period the cooling of spaces was achieved by evaporative cooling, but it was soon apparent that a mechanical method was required for summer weather.

As early as 1912, many cigar and cigarette factories found that the central-station spray-type equipment for humidifying was desirable. In those early days the Baudelot coolers were used, with ammonia... the only practicable refrigerant available. The lack of suitable water-chilling equipment and of suitable refrigerants delayed the use of mechanical cooling until the advent of the centrifugal-type water-chiller and the invention of "Freon" refrigerants.

In 1930, the first centrifugal-type water-chillers for mechanical cooling were installed in a cigarette factory in North Carolina, and in a cigar factory in Pennsylvania. These plants were completely air conditioned, designed to average out the peaks of hot summer weather and assist in maintaining uniform conditions of humidity.

Today, as a general practice, new plants and additions to old plants are fully air conditioned from the start.

DESIGN DATA

The modern air conditioned building for tobacco manu­facturing can be designed without windows. Fluorescent lighting has eliminated the need for natural daylight for color sorting. If windows are used, they should be double sash with artificial heat between. All wall surfaces should be insulated to prevent condensation in cold weather. Heating for the air conditioned spaces is done in con­junction with the air conditioning system.

For cigarette-making and packing areas, 3 1/4 to 3 3/4 cu. ft. of air per minute per sq. ft. of floor area are re-
quired. Refrigeration tonnage will vary from 6 to 7½ tons per 100 sq. ft. of floor area. Provision must be made to absorb lighting and machinery heat, especially where machinery is concentrated.

For cigar-machine areas, 3 to 3½ cfm are required per sq. ft. of floor area. Refrigeration tonnage will vary from 5½ to 6 tons per 100 sq. ft. of floor area. Modern cigar manufacturing also requires an exhaust system with a capacity of 300 cfm of air exhausted from each machine, which has to be cleansed and returned to the air conditioning system in order to economize in both summer refrigeration and winter steam heating.

Modern practice in the industry is to use individual central-station types of equipment to serve departments and floors having the same manufacturing facilities. This gives greater facility in maintaining proper conditions for each production and storage function.

**MASS PRODUCTION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS**

With the improvements on tobacco machinery, as well as in the control established over humidity and temperature, the industry quickly became a leader in mass production, the smaller factories merging into larger facilities. Cigarettes are now produced at the rate of 1500 per minute per machine; cigars at 13 per minute per machine. Dependable uniformity of product (and cigarette paper, another hygroscopic product) is vital in processing, storing and manufacturing in order to maintain the productive pace—and it means positive regulation of air in all spaces where the tobacco is used, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

**AIR CONDITIONING RANGE FOR TOBACCO**

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The range shown in the table above is comprehensive—each individual tobacco process needs its particular humidity condition and, perhaps, temperature range.

**MODERN AIR CONDITIONING FOR TOBACCO**

Maintaining the proper range of temperature and humidity required for the proper moisture content and production in the manufacture of tobacco requires the most sensitive and positive regulating devices. This is so in order to maintain the proper differential of vapor pressure between the leafing process and the actual machine production of the finished product. For example: cut cigarette tobacco must be kept in the storage rooms at a dew-point temperature slightly higher than the dew-point temperature used in the manufacturing areas where the same tobacco will go through the cigarette-making machines.

In addition to the efficiency achieved in production, through high-speed machinery and correct air conditioning, modern tobacco management has found that it is desirable to maintain lower dry-bulb temperature in areas where production machines are supervised by operators during the hot summer weather. Management has found that this pays in improved employee morale and sustained production, although it means an increase in the capacity requirements of the air conditioning equipment, especially the tonnage of refrigeration installed for mechanical cooling.

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I: THE NEED FOR NEW SECONDARY SCHOOLS

THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM IN 1963
By Archibald B. Shaw, Superintendent of Schools, Scarsdale, N. Y.

Nobody knows for sure what the high school’s program will be in 1963, to say nothing of the twenty years beyond for which today’s secondary school plants must be designed. But every competent observer will testify that it will be different — and will get more and more different — from what’s going on now in the overcrowded, out-moded high schools which must be replaced.

To become a competent observer is no great trick. It is required only that one think back to the high school program he knew twenty-five or so years ago, probably in a building even then obsolescent. Try to look farther back, even, than graduation time; back to the much larger class that entered high school out of a still larger group that had finished grammar school. Then rush off to the nearest secondary school and compare.

Changes? Yes. The relative numbers entering and graduating, the size and constitution of the population segments attending, the curriculum, the organization, the guidance program, and the very atmosphere are all different. And the odds are heavy that further change is visibly in process.

There are signs all over the country that support this view. Dissatisfaction with yesterday’s program, designed for the few and modified seemingly at random, has led to “Life Adjustment,” “Core Curriculum,” “Common Learnings,” and “General Education” programs, evolved principally by educators in an earnest effort to meet the needs of today’s youth and today’s America.

It is no longer only the educators, perhaps not even primarily the educators, who foresee and are working for change. The concatenation of circumstances is arousing parents and citizens generally to a concern for and a critical re-appraisal of our secondary school program. Linked with the staggering growth in high school enrollments so soon to be upon us are continued inflation, enormous tax burdens, and the resurgence of widespread concern for our moral and spiritual values, and for the strengthening and preservation of our American heritage and ideals in a troubled world. Each of these circumstances must have an impact on the secondary school program, an impact that goes beyond the mere adding of a “subject.”

There simply is not room for another subject — the curricular seams are already bursting. The school day isn’t nor can it be long enough to include everything that every group would have taught. Value judgments have to be made, willy-nilly, and concerned communities are at last finding ways, are being invited, to participate in those judgments.

But it is not enough to predict change, valuable though that is for a starting point. Plants must be built on more specific programs and trends. Educational progress over the nation being slow and very uneven, it is possible to find in a survey of today’s schools not only the practices of the last half-century, but invaluable clues to what may lie.
head. The literature of secondary education gives further clues — presenting what amounts to a consensus in many important areas of the program and organization.

What All Should Learn

In the matter of curriculum there is pretty general agreement that there are certain common needs both of all youth and of our free American society which must be taken into account in the secondary school program. For convenience the program provisions for these needs will be referred to as common learnings. Perhaps a full half of the individual's program in his secondary schooling will be allotted to these common learnings.

One of the major portions of the common learning program is the development of language and communication skills. Writing and reading, speaking and listening are important to all. The clear thinking and lucid expression so essential in our interdependent society demand skill in the use of written and oral language. Also included will be skills in the many kinds of reading, in type- and handwriting, in spelling and language construction, in vocabulary selection, in effective speaking and in intelligent listening.

A second large portion of the common learning program is the development of understandings and appreciation of our common heritages. This is history, expanded to include the cultural, economic and social heritages. Attention is given not only to man's deeds, his organizations and institutions, but also to his aspirations, the whole complex of his developing relations with his fellows, his world and his God.

The third part of youth’s common needs is his equipment for and understanding of the current scene, the world of today and the so-imminent tomorrow. In this portion of the common learnings program he develops those skills and understandings in mathematics and the sciences which are essential to the voting, producing and consuming citizen. He learns the machinery of government, the responsibilities and opportunities of political citizenship, the obligations of a good citizen in his community and in his non-governmental associations, some basic economic principles and something of family and home responsibilities. He must develop a decent respect for the other fellow's and his own rights, safety, and convenience.

There are other areas of knowledge, other skills and attitudes which are common needs of all youth and society and which are appropriate to the public secondary school. But these above are quite generally agreed upon — and are meant here to be suggestive rather than definitive.

Specialized Training

Individualization of program comes in pre-vocational and vocational education which takes the second major place in the school program. Here the wide range of aptitudes, interests and abilities of youth and of the vocational opportunities and needs of society are served. For some, more advanced mathematics, the sciences, modern and ancient languages, and some or all of the many facets of what is loosely called “English” in today's schools will be appropriate as pre-vocational or pre-professional learning. For others the food laboratories, the shops, the farm, or
the business training will serve. Advanced musical, art or dramatic training will meet other needs. So will millinery, tailoring, design, or beauty culture. The list is long and will vary from community to community and as technology, commerce, and industry themselves change. But all these activities have in common the fact that they meet the differing educational and vocational needs of youth and society.

Individual Development

The third aspect of the educational program is developmental. Under this heading are found all those learnings that have been associated with the best programs of physical education and what have been called co-curricular activities. Spectator sports will continue to have a role — perhaps even a pre-vocational role for some. Healthy team and individual competition will continue, but the emphasis is shifting steadily to participation by all. Highly organized sports will still appeal to the particular social, psychological and physical needs of many adolescents, but they will co-exist with informal sports requiring little organization which can remain valuable recreational activities throughout the later years.

Inspiration and student "community" are so important as to merit a special word although, like guidance, they are largely implicit in other situations. Class and school assemblies, in and out of doors, which rise out of other program activities are very valuable for these ends.

Guidance, too, needs but a few specific program provisions. It rests on personal ac-
quaintance, on availability of adequate diagnosis and counseling resources for the physical, emotional, and educational well-being of each youth. It is in large part an individual function.

There are service functions such as lunch with nearly inseparable educational implications. Educational considerations and growing awareness of the needs of adolescence lead to the canteen, snack-bar, smallish dining-room approach.

Left for last, since like plant design they exist only to serve the needs of the students and their program, are organization and administration. Both are highly important to the success of the educational program and of crucial concern in good plant design. The common dilemma is easily recognized. On the one hand, the very wide range in pre-vocational and vocational needs of the increasingly broad segment of school-age youth seems to demand not only for economy but for effectiveness either the bringing together of extremely large numbers of students, or some artificial segregations, according to probable vocational goals or other criteria. On the other hand, many have come to decry the depersonalized institutionalism that is so real a danger in schools of a thousand or more students, or the dangers to democracy in any such youth segregations as are implied in Vocational School, Classical High School, etc. Similarly the large school seems capable of providing a richer diversity of social and recreational opportunities; yet guidance, in-

piration, and even teaching seem inevitably to suffer and individuals become more easily lost in the mammoth institution. And the very nature of the common learnings program demands close association of students with fellow-students with teachers in groups small enough and with continuity prolonged enough for exploration of needs and abilities and of individualization of instruction.

As we have gradually come to know something more about adolescents we have discovered added complications. The adolescent is a solitary, a buddy, a "gang" member and a loyal member of a larger community—not all at once, to be sure, but in rapid and nearly unpredictable succession.

These seemingly incompatible demands on organization are being met in some schools, somewhat inadequately still, through a modified "house" plan for the common learnings and guidance functions. This plan calls for students and faculty to work together in smaller sub-divisions of the school for most or all the years in secondary school. Students from all "houses" mingle and redivide for the varied pre-vocational and vocational programs. The social developmental program is accessible to all and is organized for the smaller or larger groups as the activity demands. Finally, the very necessities of cross-accessibility are skillfully exploited to provide the opportunity for solitude, for buddy-ing, and for small group association.

Enough has been done here and there by program and plant planners (or by inad-
to justify optimism. The problems are not insoluble. They are, however, challenges to the boldness and inventiveness of educational planners and architects.

Nobody knows what the high school's program will be in 1963. Some clues; some trends are discernible. Competent observers aren't enough. Neither are educated guesses. But the people of a community, enlisting wise leadership and professional skill and vision, will face the problems and shape answers. There is no formula nor blueprint. The secondary school program of 1963 will be what the concerned and effective community wants it to be, and knows and cares enough about youth and society to make it.

IMPROVING SECONDARY SCHOOLS

By John Lyon Reid, A.I.A., San Francisco, California

The architect evaluates schools with reference to two criteria: how well do they solve the plant problems of the educational program, and are they good architecture.

I am first interested in criterion number one. In few other building types are program and solution so interdependent. A school plant, i.e. building, site and equipment, is planned by the architect to function as an instrument of education. The educational program, then, requires first consideration by any architect who is concerned in the form and purpose of future school buildings. Although a poorly conceived program can be effectively solved in architectural terms (or the reverse) the ultimate result falls short of its potential contribution. It can do so only when a soundly conceived educational program is housed in a plant which powerfully assists in attaining the educational objectives. School planning at its best is the result of a cooperative effort between educator and architect which has been conducted with sympathy, understanding and skill; it can't be otherwise.

The role of the architect is to place his professional skill and experience at the service of the educator; it is not the prerogative of the architect to question or dispute the educational program, but to plan for it, right or wrong. It is with some hesitation that I, an alleged architect, comment on educational policy.

One of the most successful teaching programs in the educational field today operates at the kindergarten level. There, the developmental needs of the child are met directly; subject matter is from day to day adapted to the learning experiences of the child. The child is more important than the teacher.

At the other end of the line, in the secondary school (disregarding problems of the university), we do not find the learning needs of the student solved with the same directness and simplicity. Problems are infinitely more complex, and subject matter becomes more specialized. The growing maturity of

SCHOOL DESIGNED FOR THE NEW PHILOSOPHY

JOHN LYON REID, Architect
BURTON L. ROCKWELL, Associate

Now under construction, Tierra Linda School, San Carlos, Calif., was specifically designed for one development of the type of program presented in Mr. Shaw's article. Its curriculum, transitional between elementary and four-year high school, resulted from more than a year of teacher-educator conferences. Construction cost: $14,84 per sq ft, not including site work

Not strikingly different outwardly, Tierra Linda School represents a distinctly changed concept. All subjects except music and physical education are taught within the home room: home making, science, light shop, arts and crafts, plus more academic subjects. This necessitated large classrooms (32 by 32 ft) with cabinet and work equipment, some of it in the outdoor classroom adjoining, all designed for utmost flexibility in arrangement to accommodate varying groups of students. Very important was provision of maximum possible tack space, achieved by covering end walls clear to ceiling with cork tile, for maps, murals, etc., made by students. Note also the "materials center" (see next page)
I: SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Below, model made to demonstrate principles evolved during design of Tierra Linda School; materials center at left contains, stored on movable carts, all special materials and equipment, such as audio-visual, food preparation, tools, science materials and kits. These are taken to classroom by teacher as needed. In center, library for student use, for special books, reference material not in classrooms. Workroom between is shared by library and materials center. Classroom at right was not built in this location; all rooms, exterior walks, etc., are on one level or connected by ramps for ease in moving carts

the student brings with it an ability to choose and pursue interests educational, social and recreational. Highly competitive sports, with their important school plant implications, have not always served the athletic needs of the majority of students.

The problem in secondary education is to provide a framework in which all learning experiences can be synthesized in a meaningful whole. And just how is it to be done? This is a convenient time for architects to withdraw and let educators answer the question. For years they have been thoughtfully probing the secondary program. The design and construction of elementary schools have claimed the interest and attention of both professions since the war. But our increasing numbers of children will soon enter the secondary schools and the program pronouncements of educators will have great meaning, I think, for architects. A tremendous building program for secondary schools is in prospect; our success with it will depend on how well educators get their ideas across to architects, and on how well architects can give form to these ideas.

Construction costs are the highest in our history. Some educators still blame architects for high building costs, and in some cases this blame may be deserved. With educators requiring more in space and equipment, with financial resources becoming depleted, and with a big building program yet ahead, architects have a job to do. The job is both one of public relations and one of design; public relations, to explain costs and to warn clients of unnecessarily extravagant and meaningless requirements; design, to find better and cheaper ways to design and build buildings that will come within the clients' budgets. Remember too, that art thrives on economy.

Educators and communities are showing a reassuring awareness of the value of good design. Human values in architecture are often a stated program requirement. Good architecture springs from a direct and uncompromising solution to the clients' problems; the interest and understanding of the client should be cultivated throughout the entire development of the design and he, the client, should feel that he has shared in all design decisions. Architecture of quality, however, cannot be created by democratic vote of the building committee, or by teacher committees. Here the architect comes into his own; he should be of such professional stature and skill that he creates what no other planning participant can, a work of architecture.
Winner of a Top Honor Award at the 1951 school exhibition of the American Association of School Administrators, and of an honorable mention in the 1952 competition conducted by the magazine, School Executive, the George Mason Junior-Senior High School is also displayed in model form at the headquarters of the International Bureau of Education in Geneva, Switzerland.

After serious delays in obtaining structural steel, the first portion of the school has just been completed at a cost of $680,952. The nearly 760,000 cu ft now built are likely to constitute only a first step; one of the main governing factors was the need for unlimited flexibility to permit future additions. While the building was being designed, annexation of portions of Fairfax County was under consideration. This would have increased student enrollment considerably. Therefore, the architects had to provide for a present school population of 300 to 400, with the expectation that this might be increased to 1000 or 1200 students. As conceived, the building can be enlarged without costly and extensive remodeling of the original building, or changes in use of site.
In George Mason Junior-Senior High School, full utilization of the site (taking advantage of changing levels and providing much parking space) and a one-story plan laid out so future additions can be assimilated, not merely appended to the initial structure, are particularly noteworthy. While the curriculum is obviously not as unified as it is in the Tierra Linda School (see preceding pages), and classrooms are not as large, this school could well accommodate one of the many variations of the "common learnings" secondary program. Its scale and proportion follow naturally from its logical plan and careful detailing.

Photos: left, the pleasant library; right, rigid-framed gymnasium, divisible by a folding partition into boys' and girls' areas, and with a large stage.
The school's basic plan has four separate wings. The two-story classroom wings are nearest the highway: the junior high wing has 12 classrooms, the senior wing has 16. These connect with the two-story administration wing housing school offices, library, science labs, a suite for business courses. An enclosed walk leads to shop-gym wing containing cafeteria and specialized instruction rooms.
A variant of the campus type plan has been devised for this combined junior-senior high school for a large suburban district on the outskirts of St. Paul. The basic scheme is divided into four separate wings placed so that future expansion will be possible. In a general sense, the plan arrangement recalls that of the preceding schools: academic classrooms, facilities for specialized instruction and administration quarters are each separate entities; and provision is made for three types of educational programs — the junior high, a pre-college program and a vocational program. In addition there are complete athletic facilities and a separate sewage disposal plant. The teaching program itself is probably closer to the current norm, than to the new theories previously presented.

Steel frame construction is being used for the shop-gymnasium wing, reinforced concrete for the other three wings. A special feature of the school is a peripheral heating and ventilating system; warm air enters through window stools, exhausts through lockers.
The open plan of the William C. Jason Comprehensive High School groups facilities for the different parts of the teaching program into separate wings: general classrooms, specialized labs and shops for the vocational training program, and facilities for the arts and athletics. Only a portion of the plan as illustrated has been completed to date. The west wing beyond the home arts room, and the music room and multi-purpose gym will be added. Future plans also call for two additional shops.

The design of the school is clean cut and straightforward, uses a 4-ft module for structure and fenestration. Clerestories provide daylighting for corridors. The school was also planned for use as a community center. Right: front elevation. Below, right: classroom and lab wings, rear view.

Above: cafeteria and covered walkway leading to entrance lobby.
A more specialized type of educational program has been provided for in the flexible, expandable plan of this school. Special emphasis is placed on vocational training in the agricultural, automotive and building trades, combined with a regular high school program. The school is for Negro pupils and serves an area of about a 20-mile radius.

The plan, arranged in three wings, was developed to permit changes in curriculum without requiring structural changes, and to allow easy expansion as the need arises. The building as shown in the photographs represents the first stage of construction; more classrooms and a visual aids room will be added to the west beyond the home arts room, and an auditorium-gymnasium and a music room will be added to the east to complete the plan illustrated on the opposite page. In general, frame walls have been used at the ends of all wings to permit the expansion. The structure was planned on a 4-ft module, expressed by exposed wood beams on the interior, the fenestration and the room sizes. Classroom partitions are plywood on both sides, and are designed for easy removal or relocation. Extra space is provided in the boiler room for additional heating equipment, and all piping is sized for the future growth. A full athletic layout, including a football field, a baseball diamond and a quarter-mile track, is to be developed on the flat 25-acre plot. Two more shops will also be added at a later date.
Above: library off main lobby. Below: home economics room adjoins main kitchen and cafeteria.

Below: typical lab shed roof permits clerestory lighting. Opposite page: typical vocational training shop.
The Jason School is constructed with 10-in. cavity brick exterior walls, left exposed on both sides. Framing is of steel and heavy mill-type timber. Interior partitions are finished with plywood and wallboard. Floors throughout are asphalt or ceramic tile. Acoustical panels are used on the ceilings of the kitchen, cafeteria and corridors; ceiling beams are left exposed in all other areas. Natural ventilation is supplemented by centrifugal fans and gravity ventilators. Heating is by a steam system using oil burners. All materials were selected for their ability to stand up under hard usage. Erwin Faller was Consulting Engineer for the project, Louis H. Doane was Structural Engineer, Rupert Construction Co. was General Contractor.
Floor-plan of Cathedral High School (above) shows layout of classrooms and other work areas, with plot plan (left) indicating future additions. Photo below illustrates clean, uncluttered lines of building and glare-reducing overhang.
ECONOMY WAS A BASIC FACTOR in planning this parochial school, so designed as to house a future auditorium-gymnasium and yet provide adequate facilities for present use. The cafeteria serves multi-purpose use until the time when future additions are made, and classrooms have movable desk-chairs which permit various changes to be made for different functions. Future plans include a convent, chapel and a junior high.

Although not primarily a vocational school, there is a complete home economics department, containing a working kitchen and a clothing center. Maintenance has been reduced to a minimum by the use of terrazzo floors in all corridors, cafeteria and lobby, with quarry tile floors in kitchen and walls of glazed facing tile. The exterior, constructed of brick backed by tile, has a clean, straightforward appearance. The roof of the building is insulated with 1-in. glass wool, and has a wide overhang to eliminate as much sun and glare as possible. Continuous windows permit maximum light and ventilation and all windows are steel sash. The present building occupies 16,193 sq ft and construction costs for the school averaged around $11.16 per sq ft.
The compact plan of the Stonewall School includes basic areas for a general school program. Arrangement will permit later addition of other facilities.

The exterior of the buildings is kept simple and neat, relies on massing of units, contrast of painted commercial sash and brick.
THE PRESSING NEED for more school facilities, coupled with a shortage of funds available for the purpose has become a serious problem in many localities. This school in Stonewall, Miss., offers one answer. As space for teaching was the most vital necessity the project was designed to obtain the maximum amount of shelter at the lowest possible cost, with the thought that as funds become available other necessary facilities and equipment could be added. Only the minimum of equipment was provided initially.

The major cost-saving was accomplished by trying in every possible instance to make the materials serve a twofold purpose, and to take advantage of local site conditions. After a study of the soil and drainage conditions, it was decided to eliminate the use of a gravel bed under the concrete floors on grade. The result has been quite satisfactory. The structural walls are lightweight aggregate concrete blocks, faced with brick on the exterior, and the interior surface spray-painted with resin emulsion paint. The blocks were particularly selected for their noise reduction value, eliminating the need for other acoustical insulation. The roof system was built of dense southern yellow pine using metal connectors. Deck, insulation and ceiling were applied directly to the roof structure. Most of the roof eaves slope towards the corridors, with drains at the end of the classroom wings to reduce the amount of gutters.

The complete building, which deftly avoids a minimum cost appearance, contains 15,175 sq ft of floor space, and was built for $4.15 per sq ft. This includes a central gas-fired warm air heating system, plumbing facilities including sewage disposal and a minimum lighting system.
Floor plan of Ellsworth High shows convenient location of classrooms in relation to the other work areas. Glass window walls in classroom wing are clearly visible in both plan and photos at right and below, as is the glazed portion of gymnasium wall. Biology lab is illustrated on opposite page, with testing area shown at far right of photo. Open feeling created by glass and acoustical treatment of ceiling are both attractive and beneficial to students.
ECONOMY AND EXPANSIBILITY were the major considerations in planning this school, originally planned to accommodate 450 pupils. Located in a heavily wooded area of a northeast sea-coast city, extensive landscaping was necessary, ledge and drainage problems were present and an athletic field layout had to be integrated with the land and the building. An example of economy was the conversion of the contractor’s construction warehouse into a woodworking and agriculture shop.

Wood, concrete and glass block with steel sash are the materials used in the classroom wing, with the end wall of wood to allow for future expansion. The roof is supported by wood trusses with load-bearing walls. Interior classroom walls are gypsum board with a birch plywood dado 7 ft high. The gymnasium is of brick and terra cotta tile, with the latter also forming the partitions. Gymnasium has showers, locker rooms and a stage and is connected to the school proper by a wide, tapering corridor, which serves as the school cafeteria. Acoustical tile is used throughout on ceilings and the floor is asphalt tile over a concrete slab on fill. Heating is provided by a low pressure steam system using oil burners. School construction costs were $9.01 per sq ft and cost per pupil was about $820.
Details of wall section indicate wood truss construction on roof, showing upward pitch of classroom ceiling from corridor to exterior wall. Drainage from roof is at junction where overhang slopes upward. Rigid frame truss construction is used in the gym, bottom right.

Commercial department (above) is completely equipped and well lighted. Typical classroom is shown below.

Home ec department (above) has large work areas. Gymnasium below has concentric-ring lights.
In contrast with secondary schools, educational philosophy at elementary levels is pretty well set; learning has become much more active, less passive. Most of today’s elementary schools are one-story, even where the pavilion or finger plan is not suitable, because of their lighter, more human scale, flexibility for changing needs and cheaper construction. Buildings need not be fireproof and require little or no excavation. Another quality, of which Mr. Neutra has long been an exponent, is the possibility of extending classroom areas into the outdoors, and developing a more intimate relation with the surroundings.
The Kester Avenue Elementary School consists of seven separate buildings, linked by covered walks. The site occupies an entire square block. (See plan at top left.) The buildings include an administration building (plan top center), two kindergarten classrooms (photos at right and opposite page), eight upper grade classrooms and 13 lower grade rooms. There is also an outdoor roofed-over lunch room and an outdoor assembly area. Space is provided for a future cafeteria and auditorium. Typical classroom section (above center) includes sun baffles to the south.
The buildings are constructed with concrete floors covered with asphalt tile. Walls are wood stud, finished with plaster or plywood. Roofs are light gravelled composition over wood rafters, ceilings are surfaced with acoustical tile. Canopies over walks (above) are supported by steel columns painted bright coral.
Above and below: outdoor lunch room adjoining lower grade classroom building is used most of year.

Below: kindergarten and administration buildings. The latter is set apart by planting box (page 143).

Typical classroom building plan (top right) is varied by two alternate endings. Bottom plan is of kindergarten unit. A furnace is between every other pair of classrooms.
Ardsley's prizewinning elementary school (see "Record Reports"), now under construction, contains not a square inch of useless floor area. Sections and details on following pages show that no cubic inch is wasted. Such economical design, though it results in low over-all or per-pupil cost, may cause paradoxically high unit costs since there is no wastage to distort the figures. This school, however, built in an area where before concrete is poured.

1. Stock tapered steel flagpole, delivered and installed by manufacturer.
2. No curb between walks and road.
3. Cantilevered entrance platforms, no footings and foundations necessary.
4. Prefabricated incinerator, set in place

SITE, FOUNDATION, FIRST FLOOR

5. Door and window frames are structural, extend from foundation to roof, serve as control points for masonry.
6. Plumbing backed up wherever possible.
7. Expanded metal panels serve as exhaust grills for ventilating system.
schools not uncommonly run $20 or more per sq ft, is costing only $13 per sq ft or 95¢ per cu ft (both approximate), while total construction cost, including much site work, is being held under $400,000. The entire plant, taking in land cost, fees, equipment, furniture, etc., is coming well within the budget of $492,000.

The 14-classroom building, designed so seven more classrooms can be added, has a cafeteria independent of, but adjacent to, an all-purpose room. It is a wall-bearing structure, stripped of non-essentials, carefully sited amid trees and judiciously studied in plan and detail for economy, not for poverty. Color is used liberally (although paint is almost eliminated) by means of integrally colored exposed masonry; in linoleum, asphalt tile and in terrazzo-floored corridors; in drapes, shades, blinds, chalk- and tackboards and counter tops. Wherever possible, site labor is also eliminated. The dead-level roof, of long-span, light-weight, precast concrete plank, is delivered and installed by the manufacturer. The steel fabricator makes up the standardized frames for window units, complete even to glass molds for non-venting lights, on jigs in his own shop; he delivers and installs them on the finished slab where they become guides against which masons lay up the cavity walls of block and brick. Stock items, not custom-made, are used throughout; virtually the only sizable exception to this principle is the radiant-heated floor slab on grade.

**INTERIORS, DETAILS**

12. All prefabricated closets same size throughout.
13. Stock wardrobe units.
15. Stock chalkboards and cork boards.
16. Masonry units laid in stack block pattern.
17. Stock cabinets and counters.
WALL SECTIONS

21. Exposed lightweight masonry units, integral color, no painting.
23. Louvered transom, no louvered doors.
24. Cavity wall construction, additional waterproofing at all-purpose room.

EXTERIOR ELEVATIONS

18. Flat roof, no excess cubage.
19. Stock aluminum entrance doors complete with hardware.
20. Direct exhaust fans located in transom over exterior corridor doors, no ductwork.

WINDOWS, DOORS

25. Electric switches located in door bucks wherever possible.
27. Insulating panel below windows.
28. No stools or sills required.
29. Only venting windows are purchased from window manufacturer.
30. Stock projected windows.
Contrary to usual practice, the longitudinal axis of the classroom wing of this elementary school has been placed at right angles to the slope of the hillside plot to provide direct ground level entry to both levels, a variety of outdoor and covered play areas for the various grades, good orientation for natural lighting and views, and protection from traffic and noise. The arrangement of the plan also provides easy access to the multi-purpose room and kitchen for community and recreational uses.

The building is being constructed of reinforced concrete frame and formed joists for the lower floor, concrete floors for the second level. The roof is designed with bar joists and gypsum plank, supported by a steel frame. Walls are faced with brick, backed with lightweight concrete block. Interior partitions are of masonry with glazed tile and brick dadoes; ceilings are of acoustic plaster. Floors are of vinyl plastic in lobby, kitchen and corridors, asphalt tile in classrooms and multi-purpose room. Heating is by a low pressure vacuum steam system to unit ventilators in classrooms, to a duct system in multi-purpose room.
The structural system has been developed in this school to minimize the use of critical materials, and to integrate the mechanical equipment. The building has masonry wing walls supporting arched or flat laminated wood beams which carry a 4-in. thick wood unit deck. The deck serves as rafter, roof sheathing and insulation, and makes a slow burning type of roof construction. The wing walls also serve as sun baffles. Exposed brick walls separate classrooms, provide fire stops and minimize sound transmission. A butterfly-type clerestory introduces additional light into classrooms and corridors.

The school has no basement, with the exception of a pressurized air tunnel under corridors. This, together with a small attic space formed by the arched roof and clerestory framing, is used to house the extensive heating, plumbing and ventilating equipment.
The structure of the 95th Street School provides unusually close integration of the mechanical equipment with the building. (See section at right center.) Pressurized air tunnels below corridors supply tempered, filtered air to all rooms. Recirculated air is taken at the full length of the window stool grills to prevent down draft of cold air from windows. Exhaust air is vented through lockers, corridors and toilets to the outside. Heating is by forced circulation hot water radiant coils located in the floor, and by convector at the sill of the clerestory windows. This is supplemented by introduction of heat in the supply air stream of the ventilating system. All piping for water supply is also installed in the attic space and tunnel for convenient maintenance.
General view of Jerusalem. Below: the maabarot (immigrants' camps) in Tiberias, overlooking Sea of Galilee; huts are thin aluminum

CONTEMPORARY DESIGN IN ISRAEL

PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURE

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IN MODERN ISRAEL, building design and general physical planning are probably more closely integrated than anywhere else except England, and serious discussion of the one cannot very well be undertaken without attention also being paid to the other. Hardly any of the traditionally recognizable world styles in architecture exist in the land now called Israel. The great periods of building — Egyptian, Greek, Roman, Byzantine, Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance, etc. — can be seen almost only in books and in some of the ancient ruins, of which not all have yet been dug out by archaeologists. Just as in other Near Eastern countries, the visible monuments of antiquity are of emotional and educational importance but not directly attached to the current creative life of the people.

In the field of planning, however, new methods are applied to ancient sites and cities, and thus the old and the new co-exist and merge into an exciting unity. From the point of view of modern planning, Israel may be considered either the planner's nightmare — or his dream. The difficulties arise from the unusual economic situation, diversity of topography, population, resources, climate, etc. The benefits are due to the fact — not always true in the United States — that most, if not all, good planning schemes have an excellent chance of being actually carried out.

Planning work is done by several different organizations, with a varying degree of cooperation among them. The first and foremost is the National Planning Board (which I shall call the NPB), a recent creation which is the result of a merger of two governmental units, the former Government Planning Department responsible directly to the Prime Minister and the former Town and Country Development Department. The new NPB is now a unit of the Ministry of Interior, though there is always talk and wishful thinking about an independent ministry for planning and housing.

I have drawn up an approximate chart of planning functions in Israel, shown below. It is by no means official or complete; its purpose is only to explain the complicated set-up of Israel's planning and housing activities.

I spent some time on study in the NPB offices in Tel Aviv and had the opportunity to interview its head, Arieh Sharon, a distinguished architect who has continued private practice independently of his governmental service. Mr. Sharon explained that the NPB had three broad objectives: (1) general planning for the

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**National Planning Council**

- Composed of Representatives of National Planning Board, Interested Ministries, Water Supply Department, Jewish Agency for Palestine, Jewish National and Foundation Funds, and Other National Institutions
- Function: Basic Policy Planning

**National Planning Board**

- Has three broad objectives:
  1. General Planning for the Land
  2. Planning and Housing Research
  3. Urban Redevelopment

**Regional Sections**

- City Planning Departments
  - 6, 9, 10, 12, 13

**Research Division**

- Municipal Affairs Division
- Architectural Division

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**Key to Activities**

1. National Planning
2. Regional Planning
3. Special Plans for Various Ministries and Municipalities
4. Design of New Towns
5. Design of Farm Settlements
6. Design of Rural Collective Settlements
7. Design of Temporary Immigrant Settlements
8. City Planning
9. Urban Redevelopment
10. Special Architectural Services
11. Housing Project Design
12. Housing Control
13. Zoning Control
14. Planning and Housing Research
15. Advisory Planning and Housing Service
16. Planning for New Hebrew Institute of Technology Campus in Haifa
Neighborhood unit planned as part of development of Beersheba into main center of Negev

whole country, including national transportation, location of new towns, national parks, etc.; (2) regional planning, including advisory services for larger cities and full planning services for smaller localities; (3) design of new towns and various specialized work for different departments of the government including architectural design, as may be required.

All public housing construction is planned and administered by the Housing Board, which is under the Ministry of Labor. The Technical Department of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, the chief organ of the world Zionist movement, works primarily within the limited sphere of design of new settlements and temporary living quarters for immigrants. Other important work in this field is done by the Jewish National Fund, various public and private housing corporations, planning staffs of different cities, private consultants and the Hebrew Institute of Technology in Haifa.

Cooperation and coordination among these different units for a long time has been considered unsatisfactory, and it can be readily seen on the chart that certain links are missing between the governmental offices on the left-hand side and the non-governmental organizations on the right-hand side. As a partial remedy the National Planning Council has been set up recently, with representatives appointed from all governmental and non-governmental planning bodies. It will act in an advisory capacity on fundamental questions of policy.

Israel's planning policy is based on certain basic considerations: (1) military defense; (2) rapid settlement of new immigrants arriving at a rate unprecedented in modern history; (3) development of irrigation and water resources; (4) general industrialization and development of specialized industry; (5) tourism.

The NPB has tried first of all to encourage a decentralization of population and to achieve self-contained planning regions in all parts of the country. It will try also to create regional urban centers, where they do not now exist, for development of regional economy, administration, cultural life, etc. As far as new towns are concerned, the emphasis is on the neighborhood theory, combined with topographical considerations which in many places are strongly reminiscent of San Francisco.

The population of Israel on January 1, 1952 was 1,562,000, including 162,000 non-Jewish minorities; the NPB estimates that within the next ten years the population will have increased to about 2,500,000, roughly half the four-to-five million supposed to be the country's capacity at full development. Probably 35

Port city of Haifa, where competition for a redevelopment plan for the Lower Town (business district) has been announced

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per cent of the inhabitants will be engaged in light and heavy industry, 20 per cent in agriculture, and the remainder in trade, the tourist industry, etc.

The NPB anticipates that 40 per cent of the expected 2.5 million population will live in the three chief metropolitan areas of Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa, while the rest will be distributed in mixed agricultural and industrial regions. The country as a whole is to be divided into 24 regions of varying size, with each designed, as far as possible, to support an average of from 75,000 to 100,000 inhabitants. The gross neighborhood density proposed for urban centers is 40–50 persons per acre, and an estimated maximum of 50,000 has been set for new towns in regions which at present have no urban centers.

Israel's industrial and irrigational planning is so complex that it can be covered only briefly here. It involves NPB-proposed "industrial estates," intersea canals, desert water-storage dams, lake drainage, agricultural water pipes, etc. The country's growth has been so rapid that it has far outrun the growth of transport facilities, and transportation by rail, sea and road is extremely difficult in most areas. In this field alone the government proposes (1) the construction of new roads to create a continuous chain of communication; (2) the improvement of existing roads through resurfacing, widening, and easier crossings, to adapt them to the increasing volume of traffic; (3) the realignment of routes in the vicinity of urban centers. (There are at present very few by-passes.)

The National Development Plan is concerned also with provision for national parks and forests, landscape
preservation, and protection of historic and archaeological areas. Natural assets, including Israel's many historic landmarks, are admittedly important to the country's development of its tourist trade; for this reason certain parts of the state will be set aside as "protected areas" — but in most cases such areas are suited only to afforestation.

For existing cities and towns, some of which date back to Biblical times, a more orderly growth is planned. In the port city of Haifa, for instance, the mayor, Abba Khoushy, has announced a competition for a redevelopment plan for the Lower Town (the downtown business district, partly destroyed during the 1948 Arab war). An important "private" planning project in the same city is the proposed removal of the Hebrew Institute of Technology from the business center: present plans call for an entirely new 250-acre teaching and research center outside the city limits, complete with a new town planning department with American teachers in charge; the architectural-engineering firm of Kelly and Gruzen of New York, New Jersey and Boston has opened branch offices in Israel for the design of the $20 million project.

One of the most interesting of the city development programs is that outlined for Jerusalem. Jerusalem, in the Hills of Judaea, the geographical as well as the political and spiritual center of the country, is very much like Washington, D. C. — a "specialized" city. Now as before, it is the center of government, of institutions of higher learning and various religious headquarters, and, incidentally, a health resort. (The Old City, containing the famous holy places of the three world religions, is now cut off and under the administration of the Jordan Kingdom.)

The NPB contemplates utilizing the hills and ridges of Jerusalem for residential purposes, while the lower lands are to be converted into functional green belts, parks and recreation areas. The green wadis, continued as far as outlying mountain ridges, are to serve also to emphasize the topographical location and landscape values of the city. There is furthermore a provision for slum clearance, particularly acute in the neighborhoods of the extreme orthodox population, and for creation of new traffic arteries which will pass along the green belts.

The NPB has prepared plans for a dozen other cities in Israel. There is, for instance, an excellent plan for almost doubling the city of Tiberias, including a lake front resort development and a modern commercial and

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Right: the Voed Hapeel House, Tel Aviv, headquarters of the Central Council of Trade Unions. Designed by Dov Karmi, one of Israel's best-known architects, the reinforced concrete building is now under construction; it features an assembly garden on roof. Tel Aviv, once called by Sir Patrick Geddes a "perfect small city," now badly needs redevelopment and replanning, having been allowed to "just grow."
industrial quarter, with the city's population expected to increase from 9000 to 50,000.

Generally, the tendency of the NPB technical staff is to correct certain excesses in modern planning as experienced in Israel in recent years. The enthusiastic desire to follow what had been considered modern road design in western countries, especially in the layout of new towns, had caused Israeli planners to introduce perhaps too many complicated road curves and loops. Now they try to propose simpler housing group schemes, straighter roads and less involved intersections.

The same tendency toward simplicity has manifested itself in Israeli architecture generally, but strange as it may appear, the population of Israel is apologetic about the "modern" appearance of their buildings. They do not feel certain that the "shoe box design" (and sometimes it is really such), which they have rarely been taught to understand, is either "decorative" enough or actually expresses their own life and aspirations. On the other hand, the architects and planners themselves represent one of the most progressive groups of professionals to be found anywhere. If they do not always succeed in producing the best in contemporary design it is not because they lack understanding and technical ability, but because they are hampered by the ever-present problems of economics and material shortages.

The largest structure in Israel and, as I was told, in all the Middle East, will be the Convention Center now under construction in Jerusalem, called the "Houses of the People." Designed by the office of one of Israel's foremost architects, Zeev Rechter, at the instance of the Jewish Agency, the Center is conceived as a sort of "representational" national palace. The main structure will be the Congress and Exhibition Building, 94 ft in height with a floor space on all levels of 232,000 sq ft, situated on one of Jerusalem's highest hills, 2500 ft above sea level, commanding a magnificent panorama of the entire region, and bordering the site of the new government office district (though not harmoniously coordinated with it). This is the site occupied by the famous Tenth Roman Legion garrisoned at the city at the time of the destruction of the Second Temple; Roman relics found during the excavations— including mosaic flooring, a well and a brick kiln— will be preserved for future exhibit.

I visited the Center during its late construction stages and was impressed by the imagination of its designers in satisfying all conceivable requirements of modern mass assemblies, in surroundings of a virtual desert and technical backwardness. When the buildings are finished they probably will approach the design, in terms of techniques, modern materials and usability, of London's Royal Festival Hall. But I noticed that there was something strangely familiar about the overall appearance of the Convention Center, which was foreign to the place and perhaps to the purposes intended.

I finally realized that, in plan and in mass, its main structure follows the design of the United Nations Assembly Hall in New York — a design which may or
may not be suitable to a city like Jerusalem, thousands of miles away, and to the use of the newly "ingathered" people of Israel.

The open-air amphitheater adjoining the Congress building was designed by L. Krakauer, an architect in Haifa. It is expected to play a spectacular role in the formal opening of the Center, scheduled for 1953.

A nearby hill, now called Mt. Herzl, is the site selected for a memorial to Theodor Herzl, founder of modern Zionism. An international competition for the design of a memorial tomb was held, and judged by an international jury which included Prof. Percival Goodman of Columbia University's School of Architecture. From the 63 plans submitted by architects and sculptors from 11 countries, the design of Joseph Klarwein of Jerusalem (a professor in the Haifa Institute of Technology and now executive architect for the planning office of a new governmental compound in Jerusalem) was awarded first prize. Secondary prizes went to two Americans: Sumner B. Gruzen and Associates, mentioned above, and O. Nitschke, of New York.

Mt. Herzl is one of the principal attractions for visitors to Israel. The ascent to Herzl's grave from the city proper has been designed as an easy and comfortable incline overlooking the suburb of Ein Karem. Vast parking facilities will be provided at the foot of the mountain. There will be no tree planting above the plateau on which the Herzl monument is to be placed. Adjoining the monument area is an impressive new national military cemetery where Israeli soldiers who fell during the war of 1948 are buried.

Another important public structure, just opened, is the imposing Zionist Organization of America House, designed by architects Ibn Gabirol, Rosenblum and Duhnow. Situated near Tel Aviv's Civic Center, and covering 1½ acres, it is a spacious combination tourist center, club, restaurant, and public meeting and educational area for the use of Zionist workers from the United States and their Israeli associates.

In the field of medical buildings, considerable distinction has been won in recent years by Zeev Rechter, already mentioned in connection with Jerusalem's Convention Center. Mr. Rechter has planned two basic systems for hospitals. One is the so-called "concentrated plan" which he applied in the tuberculosis hospital in Kfar Saba, the regional public clinic in Petach Tikva, and the Elisha Hospital on Mt. Carmel in Haifa; the other is the "spread plan" of the Kupat Holim (Health Insurance) General Hospital at Rehovoth, expected to be finished within a few months.

The Rehovoth hospital seemed to me to be a most imaginative and advanced medical establishment. It consists of free-standing independent one-story buildings, each designed for a different hospital function, and connected with its own parallel surgery section—from administration quarters and research center through maternity and pediatrics, to general kitchen and service facilities. All buildings are joined by two-leveled covered walks permitting direct access without cross-traffic.

Another medical building which particularly impressed me was the nursing unit planned for the new University-Hadassah Medical Center hospital in Jerusalem. Designed by Joseph Neufeld, this unit is based on the idea that the entire nursing core of the hospital will be on the average not more than 50 ft from the farthest patient's bed. The Center, now still in the planning stage, is to be composed of three major units: new quarters for the Henrietta Szold School of Nursing; the 430-bed Rothschild-Hadassah University Hospital; and the University-Hadassah School of Medicine, which only recently began partial operations in temporary facilities.

Nursery in En Shemer, designed by architects of Rural Collective

High school and military fort, Mishmar Haemek, Joseph Neufeld, architect

Open corridor of boys' dormitory in En Shemer, by same Rural Collective

Apartment house, Tel Aviv, Dov Karmi, architect. Open ground floor is typical

Above: another Tel Aviv apartment house by Dov Karmi; balconies are another typical feature of Israeli apartments. Below: business center in Haifa
THIS HOSPITAL was a long time in the building; it was in 1862 that the site was reserved for hospital purposes, when the federal town site of Port Angeles was established by act of Congress, signed by President Lincoln. If delayed in realization the original foresight was good: the hospital was badly needed, and the site proved an excellent one. Each patient room gets some sunshine during the day, and each has an inspiring view of the Olympic mountains or the Straits of Juan de Fuca.

The building follows what almost amounts to standard practice these days, in that it anticipates the addition of an additional 50 beds (it has 100 now) without enlargement of its basic facilities.

The scheme uses double-loaded corridors—patient rooms on both sides—to a certain extent. The offset wing disposition was to maintain the required separation of medical and surgical nursing wings on the second floor, the maternity and operating suites on the third floor, and the adjunct facilities, administration and
Building is of reinforced concrete throughout, with slab floors and walls. Color in pastel shades has been used within and without. Drown curtains, behind the continuous aluminum windows, were chosen to give color accents.

In this hospital there is perhaps more separation of adjunct facilities than in many others, for the reason that the out-patient department is operated by the county and has its own examining and treatment rooms and laboratory, but has joint use of the hospital X-ray, E.K.G. and B.M.R. facilities. Health clinic has its separate entrance at the end of the first floor.

The building is of reinforced concrete throughout, including flat slab floors and walls. The ceilings in the patients' rooms are unplastered and are treated with textured casein paint. In other areas plastered or false ceilings are provided. Structural provisions were made for the addition of a wing at the center rear of the building, and the structure was designed for a fourth floor covering the entire area of the third floor.

The principal structural feature of the hospital is the flat-plate framing system. A 6-in. slab was used on the main floor, without drops or beams, to give a completely smooth ceiling, with obvious advantages to architectural, mechanical and electrical work. Steel installation was simplified by laying a mat of 1/2 in. round bars 12 in. on center each way in the bottom of the slab, with additional straight bars in the longer column strips. Top bars were all straight and placed to suit the bending moments. The moments were determined by frame analysis. A distinctive feature is the shearhead shown on the accompanying photograph. This was used at the columns with longer adjacent spans. It proved much more satisfactory than the crossed structural steel members formerly used by structural engineers and allowed the use of a thinner slab.

The cost of the hospital, including general, electrical and mechanical work which were let in three separate contracts, together with the architect's fees, amounted to $904,000, giving a cost per sq. ft of $19.73; cost per cu ft, of $1.88. This includes driveways, parking areas, landscaping and all Group I equipment. Group II and III equipment cost $106,000.
Nurses' station is near center of nursing wing

Patients' rooms are bright and colorful.

Nursery is entered only through work room
Above, left: lobby and library of the health center, at west end of first floor, separately operated by the county. Above, right: one of the two laboratories, first floor. Below: one of major operating rooms.
A remodeled three-story building in a midwestern town is the new home of this company's showrooms and offices. The interiors have been designed to present merchandise in surroundings similar to those which will ultimately be used — even to installing a model kitchen on the mezzanine. The front of the building consists of a recessed glass window wall, and the area above the window display is fitted with a louvered ceiling, from which hanging elements may be suspended. One of the side walls has been coolly treated with Roman brick, a pleasant contrast to the warmth of the coverings. Trick lighting provides "drama spots" for highlighting those displays demanding special attention. Walls have been left unadorned to create a neutral background for the various displays — an important feature considering the variety of patterned materials to be found throughout the merchandise. Linoleum, asphalt and rubber tile and scatter rugs are on the main level, which has linoleum flooring for serviceability and also to illustrate its overall appearance. The second floor contains carpet displays, with furniture groups forming suitable backgrounds. Wash rooms are also located on this floor. The contract department on the mezzanine is convenient to showrooms above and below. The entire basement has been given over to storage space, and that part of the third floor not occupied by offices provides additional storage facilities.
First-floor plan, right, indicates extremely long and narrow floor space and how otherwise monotonous wall lengths have been broken by angular placement of display tables and cases.

Top photo shows second-floor carpet showroom, with displays in furniture settings as well as on rollers. Lower illustration is of mezzanine, which has railing of linoleum plaques to provide sales appeal and decorative effect.
MULTI-PURPOSE HALL MEETS COLLEGE NEEDS

Alumnae Hall, Cedar Crest College
H. F. Everett and Associates, Architects

By 1949 Cedar Crest, a small college for women founded in 1867 and located in the gently rolling country of Allentown, Pa., had outgrown its classrooms and dining-assembly-hall—and had only a limited budget with which to solve its problem. The solution—Alumnae Hall—is a story of the success with which a multi-purpose design not only met the need for both auditorium and increased classroom space, but also provided overdue student, faculty and alumnae facilities. A sloping site on the 104-acre campus was utilized for a two-level building combining auditorium, religion and philosophy classrooms, the art department, alumnae offices and lounge and chapel on the first floor. The ground floor, beneath the auditorium, houses a little theater, music-dressing rooms and faculty offices. Economy called for the low, utilitarian design of structural steel framing and steel joists with reinforced concrete slabs—a distinct departure from the traditional Spanish Colonial Architecture of the existing campus; harmony was achieved through exterior walls of buff brick matched with the buff of the earlier buildings. Cost of the 375,000-cu ft structure in 1950 came to approximately one dollar per cu ft. With the present enrollment of 364 students expected to increase to 500, the new flat-topped hall was constructed to support another story above the entire first floor.

Although new hall broke with Cedar Crest’s traditional architecture, exterior walls of buff brick were chosen to match brick of existing campus buildings. Doors and window sash are aluminum. Above: little theater.
Color, important in hall’s design, is used in 32 shades throughout building. Interior walls are painted plaster and birch plywood panels, floor, asphalt tile; ceilings, acoustic plaster.

Rectangular Lees Memorial Chapel (right), seating 114, is furnished with walnut pews; tinted glass windows later will be replaced with stained glass.

Auditorium (above) with 502 fixed seats and space for 100 or more movable chairs also serves Allentown’s population.

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Several decades ago we can imagine the design for a country house on a scale as large as this spending most of its resources in creating an impressive façade. Today, as evidence that the new architecture has begun to assert its philosophy, we see this big house quietly spreading out in an open, informal arrangement rather than rearing up to impress its neighbors and insult the landscape. Here we find a concern for a more sincere approach to planning, orientation, expression of structures and materials, with the emphasis on pleasantly informal country living and quietly expansive entertaining. The result is a house that skillfully identifies its owner with the rusticity of the countryside by way of a sophisticated contemporary design.

The owner says, "The decision to move from the suburbs and build in the country was made . . . not only because of a wish to participate in country life as much as a farm of 21 acres would permit, but also because of the opportunity for planning freedom and experimentation that an architect-owner combination permits."

The site was obvious to the owner from the beginning; a slight rise in the fields boasting four fine old oak trees. The approach from the west (above) reveals a gracious one-story house that reaches a lean finger out between
ARCHITECT'S COUNTRY HOUSE

Left page: house from southeast looking towards terrace.
Above: covered walkway to the stable building at right.

The trees to link itself with the low-lying stable to the north. This horizontality gives the structure a feeling of serenity and relates it subtly to the softly rolling meadowlands about.

The large photo on page 168 more or less synthesizes the interior character achieved; the open feeling, the exposed structure within its modular discipline, the natural wood ceilings, walls and floors. This theme is consistently repeated throughout, the wide use of wood being a personal choice of the owner which dictated the structure and to a lesser extent the plan.

The plan is organized about a structural system of beams and columns spaced 5 ft 4 in. on centers; is open and elongated in character, representing the culmination of the architects' development of the "outward-looking" plan, which includes the outdoors by open exposure rather than by making it an inherent part of the building itself. The main house is essentially a long east-west rectangle with south exposure, entered near its center. It features a 48-ft long area subdivided by an indoor-outdoor planting box into living and dining spaces which expand into a tree-shaded terrace which in turn will be flanked by a future pool. The bedroom wing, semi-closed on three sides, has large sliding glass panels opening to a covered gallery looking out over the meadows beyond. The servant couple's apartment faces east to a view and adds the bonus of pleasing orientation and privacy to its occupants' salaries. A study-guest
room and bath is located north of the entrance for privacy near the point where the 46-ft covered walk to the stable begins. The stable building houses stalls for three horses, a garage, car shelter, feed room, hay storage and pump house.

The exposed structural post and beam system is of Douglas fir timber with a 2-in. plank roof and finish floor, also of fir. Non-load bearing interior and exterior walls are of 1 by 12 rough-sawn redwood. All doors, millwork and built-in cabinets are of redwood. The terraces and covered walk have open plank floors. The built-up roof on plank insulation is topped by the same red gravel that is used for the entrance court and paths of the garden court separating house and stable. Split granite boulders were carefully selected and placed in the forms for the concrete fireplaces and chimneys to create a pattern furthering the relation of the house to the land. Fixed glass panels are double glazed; movable panels are plate glass.

Natural ventilation is achieved by sliding glass doors on the south exposure, bottom-hinged glazed sash to the north, and by hinged wood panels behind louvers in the master bedroom and servants' apartment. Heating is by low velocity forced warm air split into four zones, each thermostatically controlled, with individual outlets also manually regulated.
ARCHITECT'S COUNTRY HOUSE

Above: view from a child's bedroom looking across gallery to the view

Right: large sliding translucent panels create the effect of two rooms which are separated from but still remain a part of the bedroom gallery

Right page, top: the master bedroom is ventilated by hinged panels below the fixed glass — contains its own fireplace and desk-dressing counter

Right page, bottom: bathrooms feature redwood in natural finish. Thick slab containing recessed lavatories is moisture-resistant laminated maple
The natural slope dictated a split-level scheme, which creates pleasantly varied spaces under the simple roof pitch. From the middle level living room one can walk up seven risers to the bedroom gallery or down seven risers to the dining area.
A THREE-LEVEL HOUSE IN MASSACHUSETTS

Hugh Stubbins, Jr., Architect

Three natural elements — slope, woods and view — jointly influenced the shaping of this house in section. The site, dotted with tall white pine trees, is a small knoll falling gently off to the south towards a pleasant pond. Nearing the house from the west one sees the large flat roof over the carport and entrance approach. This dominant horizontal relates the house to the flatness of the pond and creates a strong contrast to the verticality of the pines as well as the trapezoidal shape of the main element of the house.

The land slope from west to east dictated the split-level arrangement of the principal rooms, which are disposed in an essentially rectangular plan sheltered by a roof that pitches to oppose the incline of the ground.

Entrance is at living room level, which looks down on the view over the higher terrace. From this middle level one can walk either up seven risers to the bedrooms or down seven risers to the dining-kitchen area, which opens in turn to a lower terrace.

The resulting interior provides a sensation of great spaciousness together with visual change from one area to another; the whole pulled into unity by the canted plane of the roof above.

An eight-foot structural module is maintained throughout; north and south beams are 4 by 14s supported on 4 by 6 posts. The disciplined structural system is everywhere apparent, both indoors and out; its expression serves to make the concept more valid.
Under the carport and entrance shelter at the north side of the house, both the structure and its disciplined modular organization are expressed. Exterior walls are vertical redwood siding stained with creosote; fascias and frames for doors and windows are painted white. The entrance door is located at the middle or split-level and leads to the living area.

The architect's plan, left page, points up the open character of the interior of the house. Separations are achieved by visual blocks or by low elements with either glass or voids above. This results in a series of spaces that seem to interflow and expand, both vertically and horizontally.
Entry, above, is separated from the main living area by a low cabinet and connected to the remainder of the house by the stairway.
Bedroom, above, and living room, below, look out to the south and afford a view of the pond, while the dining area (p. 176) opens to the same view from a still different elevation. This constant tying together of house and site from different station points provides both variety and a means of orienting oneself with the plot.
Entrance to house (below) is from cul-de-sac on east side of property. Brick walk leads past planting box window in living room to south terrace. Opposite page: brick wall and planting box divide south terrace into "public" and "private" areas.
RESIDENCE OF MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM B. WIENER

Shreveport, Louisiana

William B. Wiener, Architect

A CORNER LOT, sloping gently from west to east, determined both the placing of this house and the use of two levels. A family consisting of the architect, his wife, and teen-aged son and daughter — all interested in outdoor and indoor entertaining, gardening, hunting and fishing — determined the plan, location of the patio and close relationship between carport and "private" entrance.

This is a real family house, as the plan (next page) shows. Its living and sleeping areas are almost two distinct houses, separated not only by level but also by a 12-in. fire wall. Each wing has its own heating, ventilating and air conditioning units. Living, dining and game rooms can be used either individually or together, depending on the family's entertainment program; a party given by one person in no way interferes with activities of another, or with the early-to-bed ideas of someone else.
Main entrance (above) is at north corner of house; short hall leads past dining room to living room. Family has private entrance adjacent to carport. Right: game room.
Arrangement and height of partitions in living room wing are adroitly worked out to provide for family's varying entertainment needs. Living room (above) and game room (below) can be used separately or together; ceilings are acoustically treated. Game room has door (left below) opening directly to bedroom corridor. Air conditioning ducts for this wing are in door-height cabinet (left in photo above; detail opposite)
All interior and exterior walls and partitions (except east, west and center) are non-load bearing, which permitted completion of roof and pouring of terrazzo floors before partitions were in place. Most partitions contain storage or service facilities. Game room (previous page and top left) has built-in service counter at one end of cabinet wall, as useful for large buffet suppers involving entire living-dining wing as for informal entertaining in game room alone. Cabinets frequently combine display space with enclosed storage, as in dining room (left, below) and in kitchen-breakfast room area (below). Interior walls are plywood, brick and plaster, used in combination in "public" areas to emphasize flow of room into room.
Although entire house was planned around the varying needs and habits of a four-member family, bedroom wing especially reflects family and individual requirements. Entire wing is on higher level than living area for maximum privacy, has separate heating and air conditioning systems and a private entrance. Each bedroom has its own bath and specially designed storage units; master bedroom (right) also has large dressing room. All three bedrooms have direct access to rest of house and to carport. Family interest in hunting and fishing resulted in gun and tackle closet at end of private entrance hall, conveniently close to carport. Guest room (below) can be left open for family use or closed off by sliding panel for guests.
HERE A SURPRISINGLY LARGE HOUSE was built on a small lot by erecting walls on lot lines and designing a series of living spaces suitable for contemporary family life. There is no living room; instead, the playroom is an integral part of the children’s wing as is the sitting room of the adult’s wing. The dining-kitchen area and two courts complete the plan.

Since the site is some 4 ft above street level, an excavation with concrete retaining walls was necessary for easy access into the carport. The lower-level carport and storage area made possible the same roof pitch over carport and central wing.

Most rooms face the south court, which is oriented to the prevailing southeast breeze yet shielded from the two streets on the south and east. A 6-ft redwood vertical fence forms the north court, which follows property lines to create a drying yard.

The architect attempted to give the house an intimate quality by keeping ceilings low (7 ft-4 in.) and through extensive interior use of natural woods, brick walls and burlap ceiling-to-floor curtains. Floors are black asphalt tile, and all painted surfaces are off-white, except for a few vivid-color surfaces in the children’s area. Foundation is reinforced concrete slab; structure is fir frame with redwood and brick exterior walls; roof is 5-ply built-up asphalt.
Above, left: large window areas, sliding doors open on south court.
Below, left: dining-kitchen area forms central core between courts.
Below, right: north court and steps up from lower-level carport.
RESIDENCE FOR MR. AND MRS. WILBUR

Joseph W. Moltor
L. CARTER, JR., GREENSBORO, N. C.

Edward Loewenstein, Architect

The owners of this house — a young couple with three small children — started working with their architect on an "extremely contemporary" design. After a visit to a recently completed contemporary house (not architect designed), they warily requested a cost estimate based on preliminary drawings, and subsequently decided on traditional Georgian. Final estimates on the Georgian were so high, however, that they reverted to their original plans.

The house is in the center of one of Greensboro's best

Since prevailing breeze is from southeast, screened porch is on that side of the house despite busy street along south of lot. Angled brick wall provides privacy
residential districts, on the town's highest elevation. It was designed to fit among huge old oak trees, none of which was to be removed. Since both Mr. and Mrs. Carter are active in civic affairs, entertainment requirements were greater than average; hence the huge screened porch and adjoining terrace. The children were given a completely separate wing at the rear, with an out-size playroom opening to a secluded outdoor play space. A high brick wall shuts off family traffic from formal reception areas.

Living room floor is flagstone, easy to maintain despite heavy traffic; fireplace wall is brick. Below: entrance walk brick wall carries into house for short way to separate bedroom corridor from living area.
SEVEN HOUSES PLANNED FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

Preview of a Book *Prepared for the Future Home Owner and His Architect

The houses shown in brief on this and the next three pages are but seven of the forty included in a book prepared by Jean and Don Graf especially for the layman and the architect who must work with him. The book is intended to show (and does show) that the contemporary house can be at least as personal in its approach as is the traditional.

The Grafs present their forty houses in six chapters entitled: (1) Houses for One; (2) Good Small Houses; (3) Planned for Children and Adults; (4) Limited Lot Lines; (5) Houses for Irregular Land; (6) They Knew What They Wanted. Each of the chapter titles speaks for itself and quite accurately describes the houses in its group.

The book as a whole is carefully worked out to give the future home owner the answers to many of his questions about the contemporary house. Plans are reproduced at the same scale throughout, and photos are arranged to further facilitate the layman’s comparison of one house with another.


Lakeside year-round vacation house, planned for widow with grown children who visit on weekends. Single bedroom is supplemented by sleeping alcove off living room. North and south terraces permit outdoor living through most of the year.

"HOUSES FOR ONE"

Vacation House for Mrs. G. J. Armbruster
Lake Stevens, Washington
Bassetti & Morse, Architects

Lakeside year-round vacation house, planned for widow with grown children who visit on weekends. Single bedroom is supplemented by sleeping alcove off living room. North and south terraces permit outdoor living through most of the year.
"GOOD SMALL HOUSES"

House for Mr. and Mrs. Sydney M. Kayes
Cornwall Bridge, Connecticut
William Lescaze, Architect

Built for summer use, but perfectly adaptable to year-round occupancy. Has three bedrooms, small swimming pool, good exploitation of view—all in minimum space.

"HOUSES FOR LIMITED LOT LINES"

House for Dr. and Mrs. John Lehmann
Seattle, Washington
Roger Gotteland, Architect

Narrow lot with magnificent view of Puget Sound. Carport adjacent to master bedroom for convenience of doctor-owner. Wife is an artist, hence second-floor studio.
"HOUSES FOR IRREGULAR LAND"

House for Professor and Mrs. Avery Craven
Dunes Acres, Indiana
George Fred & William Keck, Architects

Two-story house with living level upstairs, garage, studio and utility room below. Front and back of house are completely different in character.

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House for Mr. and Mrs. William J. McCune, Jr.
Lincoln, Massachusetts
Hugh Stubbins, Jr., Architect

Two-level house, only half completed to date (grayed portion of plan shows future expansion). Upper floor meets ground level at rear.
"HOUSES FOR IRREGULAR LAND"

House for Dr. and Mrs. I. S. Ravdin
Bucks County, Pennsylvania
George Daub, Architect

Split-level house overlooking typical rolling fields of Bucks County. Here again upper level is main living area; lower houses bedrooms, workroom.

"THEY KNEW WHAT THEY WANTED"

House for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eldean
Scottsdale, Arizona
Blaine Drake, Architect

Designed for a former New York City executive and his wife, who had pulled up stakes and moved to Arizona. Plan is highly individual, making most of sun, view and built-ins.
One of the houses of the Amana Society at Amana, Iowa, as it appeared in 1946 with ponderosa pine siding that had never been painted except for windows, doors and trim. The house was at least 40 years old, but probably was much older than that.

WOOD SIDING LEFT TO WEATHER NATURALLY

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Since publication of the article on “Natural Finishes for Exterior Wood” in Architectural Record (February 1952, page 196) a number of inquiries have been received about the possibility of leaving exterior wood entirely unfinished, to weather naturally. If suitable precautions are taken it is practicable to do so, but whether this is desirable is a question the architect and owner must decide. Painting, though, is likely to remain the customary treatment for exterior surfaces of smoothly planed wood, and staining for rough wood.

Nevertheless, the practicality of weathered wood is adequately demonstrated by much past experience. For the first century or so of the American Colonies, particularly in New England, wood was the predominant building material and the exterior surfaces were left unpainted to weather naturally.

It was not merely that paint was an imported luxury. To the puritan mind of the time painting was an ungodly arrogance for anyone but a high crown official or a very wealthy merchant. There is record of the expulsion of a barber from the Massachusetts Bay Colony for aspiring beyond his station in life when he spent part of a small inheritance for painting his house.

Many of the wood buildings of the early colonial period still stand. Most of them, of course, were painted when it became socially acceptable to do so, and they have been kept painted since. But some, including two of the oldest houses that remain, have never been painted. New Englanders claim that they have the oldest wood house in the United States, now known as the Old Fairbanks House at Dedham, Mass.

The first part of the house was built in 1636. Most of the clapboard siding, however, was replaced in 1903 but has now stood nearly 50 years without paint. The oldest portion of Hartwell Farms at Arlington, Mass., also built in 1636, is still covered with the remnants of the original clapboards.

From 1858 to 1932 the Amana Society owned communally seven villages in Iowa County, Iowa. The houses were of wood and were left unpainted except for window sash and doors, which were painted. When I saw them for the first time in 1927 the houses were well main-

* Maintained at Madison, Wis., in cooperation with the University of Wisconsin.
tained. The chief carpenter told me that the 1/5 by 6 in. bevel siding lasted from 30 to 50 years before they found it advisable to begin making replacements.

In 1946, fourteen years after the residences passed into private ownership, I again visited two of the villages. By far the most attractive and neatly kept houses were those that remained loyal to the old custom, with the siding unpainted but with corner boards, facia boards, and window and door casings, as well as sash and doors, decorated with paint.

The houses mentioned so far were all very modest dwellings, left unpainted for economy or to conform to local custom of the time. But there are at least a few examples in recent years of more pretentious buildings for which weathered wood is chosen strictly for its appearance. Two of those I know are hotels that must attract patrons to remain in business. Pilot Butte Inn at Bend, Ore., and the Redwood Inn at Scotia, Calif., are the leading hotels in their communities. Both have been in operation for several decades.

The Process of Wood Weathering

Wood such as siding and trim on buildings, if left freely exposed to the weather without protective painting or treatment, changes materially in appearance for a few months or years, after which it stays nearly unaltered for a long time. The color of the wood is affected very soon. Woods like redwood and red cedar, that owe their color largely to substances soluble in water, may first become bleached. Woods of lighter color, such as pine and spruce, may first become somewhat brown from the action of sunlight. Later all of the woods turn gray unless the building is high in the mountains, where the brown color associated with the Swiss chalet develops.

Smoothly planed wood soon begins to acquire a rough surface. First the grain becomes raised, that is, the hard bands of summerwood rise above the softer springwood between them. Then minute checks or cracks begin to appear in the surface and steadily increase in number until the surface becomes decidedly rough as the fibrous structure of the exposed wood is greatly loosened. Finally the wood substance erodes away very slowly and the boards gradually become thinner. Wood wastes away by such weathering at the rate of approximately 1/3 in. a century.

Besides the many minute checks in the surface, most woods soon develop some larger and deeper checks or cracks that are easily visible and may become conspicuous. As a rule, the woods of moderate to low density acquire fewer of the conspicuous checks than do the woods of high density. Edge-grain boards check less than flat-grain boards of the same variety of wood.

As a result of the weathering process there is a tendency for boards to cup, warp and pull at their fastenings. Firmer nailing may therefore be necessary when wood is left to weather than would be required if it were kept well painted. The cupping tendency varies with width and thickness of the boards. The greater the width in proportion to the thickness, the greater is the tendency to cup and pull at the fastenings.

Although 1/5 by 6 in. bevel siding was considered satisfactory by the Amana Society, 1/4 by 6 in. siding would serve much better. For best results the width of the boards should not exceed 8 times their thickness.

Cypress, hemlock, white pine, ponderosa pine and spruce usually weather to a light-gray color that often has a silvery sheen. A darker gray with little or no sheen is developed by red cedar, Douglas-fir, fir, southern yellow pine and redwood. Red cedar, cypress and redwood commonly acquire fewer conspicuous checks or cracks than other woods do. Similarly, cypress, red cedar and redwood generally have the least tendency to cup and pull at fastenings; whereas pine, fir, hemlock, spruce, Douglas-fir and southern yellow pine require firmer nailing to hold them in position.

Development of Weathered Appearance Takes Time

Although the appearance of weathered wood is attractive for suitable architectural effects, there is a difficulty in making use of it for new construction, in that much time is required for the change from new to weathered lumber. Moreover, the change seldom takes place evenly over the different parts of a side wall. Those boards that receive most rain and sunshine become weathered first. Usually the lowest courses of siding on the south wall become fully grayed and roughened sooner than the top courses of siding under the eaves and much sooner than courses of siding.
under a porch roof. Wide overhang at the eaves delays the weathering of more courses of siding than a narrow overhang does. Thus for a number of months, or even for a year or two, there is a mottled appearance varying from nearly bright lumber to gray weathered wood.

The unequal delay in attaining the weathered appearance can be avoided by using rough sawed rather than the smoothly surfaced lumber to begin with and applying a gray oil stain. Such a stain can be made, for example, from raw umber in oil, white lead in oil, boiled linseed oil and mineral spirits or other paint thinner. The stain need be applied only once when the house is built; by the time the stain has worn out the wood will have developed its natural weathered gray color.

Some houses recently have used bevel siding with the planed side out and have then been given the color without the roughness of weathered wood by applying a product known as bleaching oil or sometimes as redwood bleaching oil. A number of paint manufacturers supply such products. They may be described as natural finishes of the sealer type in which there are some pigments to give the gray color. When bleaching oil is used, the wood may be kept smooth indefinitely by renewing the finish as often as proves necessary, or the first application may be allowed to wear off and leave the wood in its naturally weathered condition.

Need for Rust-Resistant Nails

When exterior wood is to be allowed to weather naturally or is to receive a natural finish, it is particularly important to see that all nails used to fasten it and all hardware that may be placed in contact with it are highly resistant to rusting. The heads of ordinary iron nails rust rapidly, and the iron rust promptly penetrates into the wood for some distance from the nail heads. In some woods such rust makes reddish brown stains, but in woods that contain tannins, such as cedar and redwood, the stains are bluish black and very unsightly. Corrosion-resistant nails, such as galvanized nails, cadmium-coated nails or aluminum nails avoid such difficulties.

Although the weathered wood appearance may dispense with periodic renewal of paint or finish, it should not be used as an excuse for neglecting periodic inspection and careful maintenance of the building. Even when care is taken to provide firmer nailing than usual, some nails gradually become loosened and partly withdrawn by the operation of the forces of wood weathering. Every four or five years such loosened nails need to be driven in tightly again. Likewise, the same care about keeping joints tight, repairing gutters, and making other minor repairs that would be taken with a painted house, is needed when the wood is allowed to weather.

Exterior wood, then, may properly be allowed to weather naturally without protection by paint or other finish whenever it proves desirable to obtain an architectural effect in that way. For weathered wood it is wise to select the kind of wood carefully to obtain the intended result; and it is particularly wise to use lumber that is thick enough in proportion to its width, to see that it is very firmly fastened with rust-resistant nails, and to provide the same care in maintenance that would be given to a painted building.

Above: Redwood Inn at Scotia, Calif., with redwood siding and trim on first floor, redwood shingles on the second. It was 20 years old here and had never been painted.
Below: the Old Fairbanks House, Dedham, Mass., built in 1636 and never painted. White pine siding was replaced in 1903. Window frame, facia wood may be the original.
LABORATORY ARRANGEMENT SUITS
BLAST RESISTANT BUILDING

Armed Forces Institute of Pathology Building, Washington, D. C.

Faulkner, Kingsbury & Stenhouse, Architects

Combined in this one building, now under construction at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, will be activities usually found separately in research laboratories, office buildings, hospitals, printing plants, educational centers, and even in television studios. Further complicating the design was the requirement that the main portion of the building be blast resistant.

The architects solved blast resistance to a great extent by making most of the structure windowless. To give flexibility in the laboratories, to save on costs, and at the same time to assist in blast resistance, they placed the laboratories back-to-back in the center of the building, divided by a service core and bounded by corridors. Offices and other functional areas are adjacent to exterior walls. This two-corridor plan furnished a building of considerable depth — highly desirable for resisting bomb blasts.

1. Service Core and Laboratory Modules

Laboratories are arranged in 11 by 22 ft modules on either side of the core. All piping is run horizontally and above the floor so that services can be brought in at any partition.

Changes can be made at any time without disturbance, except in the laboratory being altered. Lighting fixtures and air supply outlets are also on a modular basis, so they need not be changed except in special cases. Even these changes would not be difficult since ceilings are removable.

2. Blast Resistance

The structural frame and the reinforced concrete blast walls enclosing the main portion of the building were designed to withstand a possible positive pressure of 27.2 psi and a negative pressure of 13.6 psi on the south side, together with a positive pressure of 13.6 psi and a negative pressure of 6.8 psi on all other sides and the roof.

In certain places in the interior of the building, reinforced concrete walls are included to help resist the pressures. Openings in the blast walls in all cases but one are taken care of by specially designed blast doors. These are of two types: a guillotine door generally being used for duct openings and a side-hinged door for all others. It was not believed practical to provide a blast door for the flue from the incinerator, but instead, the chimney and the incinerator room are enclosed in reinforced concrete to withstand a possible blast.

3. Lighting Tested in Pilot Laboratory

Seeing tasks required a lighting source that would produce the maximum intensity of illumination without imposing an excessive load on the air conditioning. Important also were good color discrimination, reduction of specular reflections, elimination of annoying shadows and other factors that would affect the comfort of personnel who would be required to work in a small windowless room for relatively long periods.

Since adequate quantity of light accompanied by minimum heat load and good color discrimination were the most important variables, initial experiments were made with a combination of fluorescent and incandescent light sources. Fixtures consisted of two 4-ft fluorescent sections in tandem with a 12-in. square incandescent unit at each end. Reduced illumination at the extreme ends of the laboratory benches, and marked color contrast between the two types of lamps, ruled this method out.

The most acceptable results were attained with four 4-ft long, surface-mounted fixtures each equipped with four 40 watt, 4500 deg cool white, fluorescent tubes. Fixtures were symmetrically mounted in the room which was decorated with white ceiling, buff-colored walls and a gray-green floor covering.

4. Air Conditioning

Because of the variation in occupancy and equipment heat loads, it was not possible to provide optimum comfort at all times in the laboratory modules with a central system. To alleviate extreme summer conditions prevailing temporarily in a few modules where equipment loads might approach or exceed 4000 watts for extended periods, chilled water risers have been provided to permit the temporary installation of individual unit coolers.
The most prominent feature is the arrangement of laboratories in 11 by 22 ft modules, back-to-back, and divided by a general service core. Changes in piping can be made without disturbing other labs, and partitions are movable to facilitate future modifications. The architects developed the two-corridor plan below to accommodate the laboratory arrangement and give depth to the building, aiding blast resistance. A dual purpose TV-movie studio will produce films, and colored television will be used.
THREE CONCRETE STRUCTURES IN DENMARK

Examples showing application of precast concrete and some prestressing give an idea of the trim lines possible and point up the contrast between European and U. S. construction methods.

Preben Hansen, Architect

Sign, clock, fence and marquee at the Obel packaging plant are typical of the neat design seen at some new Danish factories.

Concrete framing of the Obel plant expresses itself in the exterior design. The narrow strip along the bottom indicates the service space for water and air pipes and electrical lines. Column bents and rafters (heaviest pieces) are precast, but gutter section was poured in place. Bents are not stable by themselves, and tie rods hold framing together.
Concrete has long been a favorite building material in European countries, and for some years now, efforts have been directed toward the development of precast building units—in many cases prestressed to lighten them—in order to speed up construction time and to permit work to start as soon as plans are finished. This avoids unnecessary stoppage or delay of work and also reduces the loss of return on the capital invested in site and buildings.

The three buildings here show some recent work of this nature in Denmark and demonstrate what openness of space and light feeling can be accomplished with precast and prestressed concrete.

Perhaps more significantly, though, these examples point up graphically the differences between the more mechanized construction methods of the United States as contrasted with those abroad and the consequent effect on the design of the structural system.

For example, instead of being able to bring in huge movable cranes, capable of hoisting heavy rigid frames of concrete as is common practice here, it was necessary in one of these Danish buildings to construct a total of seven erection towers of wood, taller than the building itself, to hoist up the precast rafters for eight bays. And in another, a movable erection bridge (a sort of traveling crane) was built to span between the cast-in-place gutters and columns, with rails in the gutters for the bridge to travel on.

These limitations, of course, determined the size of precast members that could be handled and must have had a great deal to do with the actual structural design.

Mullions of the skylight are thin strips of prestressed concrete. Natural light is supplemented by fluorescent lamps mounted on the ceiling. Note how the air conditioning ducts rise up on either side of the column bents and then run horizontally between them.

Shading covers the two main precast elements of the frame. Heavy gutter unit was cast in place.
In building the cigarette factory, the columns and the gutters which carry the load of the rafters to the columns were cast in place. The rafters and skylight posts were hoisted into position by this traveling crane which ran on tracks in the gutters. Hoist worked by hand.

**Carton Manufacturing Plant**

This saw-tooth skylight factory of 12,000 sq ft, with column spacing 20 by 40 ft, employed three types of precast units: a column bent, 1 ft sq and weighing 3750 lb; a rafter 34 ft long, 12 by 29 in., weighing 12,000 lb; and a ridge beam 20 ft long, 12 by 14 in., weighing 3740 lb. As mentioned before, seven erection towers, mounted on the finished floor slab, with the operating platform above the structure, hoisted up the cured units which had been cast on the floor slab under the spot where they were to be used. Columns, the I-shaped rafters and ridge beams were raised in that order. Then the gutter, because of its size and weight, was cast in place.

The whole skeleton construction is held together by tie rods, anchored by bolts to the columns. The later expansion of the tie rods was accommodated during assembly by placing the columns slightly out of plumb, so that when the roof slabs were laid, the rods became tensioned and the columns plumb.

**Cigarette Factory**

Here again skylight design was used, but the columns and gutters both were cast in place, the gutters being designed to carry the load of the rafters to the columns and down to the foundation.

The concrete rafters (7½ by 20 in.) were precast on the floor slab, and both prestressed and precast mullions were employed in the skylight. The superstructure was assembled by the means of the erection bridge which had a hand winch for lifting the concrete members.
Equipment for Schools

A number of new products of special interest to architects engaged in school design have recently been marketed. Among the many varied pieces of equipment are the following items:

- The Space-Master, a desk and chair unit described as a new idea in classroom seating, features a modular design which permits both the desks and the chairs to be stacked or nested to save space when it is desired to use the classroom for special activities. Desks and chairs can be stacked atop each other and stored in a corner or against a wall. The desks can also be nested together in rows. The units are reported to be sturdy in construction and easy to maintain. The desk has a large sloping writing surface and a roomy book box. A scratch-proof plastic writing surface is available if desired. Legs of both desk and chair are made of one-piece hollow metal tubing. E. W. A. Rowles Co., Arlington Heights, Ill.

- Nu-Rite glass crayon boards are especially designed for use with the manufacturer's Ezy-rase water-soluble wax crayons. Together, the products are reported to solve the problems of stain and dust commonly associated with the employment of colored chalks. The crayons are said to be dust-free and stain-proof and can be easily erased with a moist cloth, sponge or tissue, since the wax base dissolves instantly in contact with water. At present, they are available in six colors—red, blue, violet, green, brown and black. Their hexagonal shape reportedly suits them for marking in fine and broad lines, as well as for shading. The boards are made of plate glass with a vitreous enamel surface and are available in light green, buff or ivory. Light reflectivity factors, as determined by laboratory tests, are 53 for ivory, 39 for green and 38 for buff. The flat surface of the boards is said to minimize glare, despite the high reflectivity of the colors. New York Silicate Book Slate Co., 541 Lexington Ave., New York 22, N. Y.

- A new window introduced by Ludman is reported to be the first ever designed specifically for schools. Similar in all

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Industrial Heaters

Thermobloc, the Finest Industrial Heaters for Your Plant. Catalogue NGC-10-52. General catalog of the manufacturer's line of industrial heaters lists features and depicts various models and typical installations. Specifications and dimensions are listed, and a full-color cutaway drawing illustrates the operation of the units. 8 pp., illus. Thermobloc Div., Prat-Daniel Corp., South Norwalk, Conn.

Aluminum Products Glossary

Nomenclature; A Glossary of Terms for Aluminum Sheet and Plate and Aluminum Extruded and Tubular Products. Designed to promote better understanding between producers and consumers of aluminum products, this little booklet contains definitions of sheet and plate products, miscellaneous terms applicable to sheet and plate products, definitions of extruded and tubular products and miscellaneous terms applicable to these. 20 pp. The Aluminum Association, 420 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

New Design For Automatic Sprinklers

New Developments in Upright Sprinklers, by Norman J. Thompson. Pamphlet describes a change in design of automatic sprinklers, said to be particularly useful for locations where the water supply is scant or where the fire hazard approaches the limit of ordinary sprinkler capacity. 19 pp., illus. National Fire Protection Association, 60 Battery-march St., Boston, Mass.

Concrete Masonry Construction

Suggested Details of Concrete Masonry Construction. Booklet consists of drawings which illustrate various recommended details for construction and design with concrete masonry. All the drawings were prepared in accordance with modular design coordination, based on a 4-in. module. Drawings of some typical patterns used in concrete masonry construction are included. 16 pp., illus. Portland Cement Association, 53 W. Grand Ave., Chicago 10, Ill.

Corrosion-Proof Cements

Atlas Corrosion-Proof Cements. Bulletin describes four basic types of cements with charts showing the temperature range of each cement and its resistance to broad classes of corrosives. Each cement is also rated specifically in relation to 176 common chemical materials. Three principal methods of acid-proof brick and cement construction are shown, and estimating tables are furnished for each. 12 pp., illus. Atlas Mineral Products Co., 8 Walnut St., Mertztown, Pa.

Folding Wood Doors

Ra-Tox Folding Doors. Brochure of manufacturer's folding doors illustrates suggested applications, lists technical and functional advantages. Specifications and details are included. 4 pp., illus. Hough Shade Corp., Ra-Tox Div., Janesville, Wis.

Industrial Insulations

Baldwin-Hill Industrial Insulations. Catalog describes the manufacturer's industrial insulation products for a temperature range from 150 to 1800 deg F. Among products illustrated are insulating cement, block, blanket, felt and pipe covering. Products are described briefly, together with information on typical uses, sizes, densities and packaging. Thermal-conductivity graphs and heat loss charts are included. 20 pp., illus. Baldwin-Hill Co., 1056 Breuning Ave., Trenton, N. J.

LITERATURE FOR THE OFFICE

MODERN PLASTICS ENCYCLOPEDIA AND ENGINEER'S HANDBOOK

Book includes material on processing methods for commonly used plastics

Plastics Encyclopedia

Modern Plastics Encyclopedia and Engineers' Handbook. 16th Edition. This large and comprehensive volume contains information on every practical method of processing all commonly used plastic materials. General sections include Engineering and Methods, Fabricating and Finishing, Machinery and Equipment, Resins and Moulding Compounds, Chemicals for Plastics, Fillers and Reinforcements, and a technical section. Each of these is subdivided into more specific categories. An extensive directory of manufacturers and suppliers, listed according to categories of products and services, is included. 848 pp., illus. Price $2.00. Plastics Catalogue Corp., 375 Madison Ave., New York 22, N. Y.

Rubber Flooring

Facts About Rubber Floors. Booklet describes simply and briefly features of rubber flooring, with information on manufacture and installation, and recommendations for proper maintenance. 16 pp., illus., Rubber Manufacturers Association, Rubber Flooring Div., 444 Madison Ave., New York 22, N. Y.

Steel Cabinets

Penco Steel Cabinets, Catalogue No. C-200. Brochure illustrates the manufacturer's complete line of storage wardrobe and combination cabinets in both single-door and double-door types, and including desk-high, counter-high and tool cabinets. Construction details and specifications are included. 8 pp., illus. Penn Metal Corp. of Pa., 50 Oregon Ave., Philadelphia 48, Pa.

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Right: Library in Cascades Elementary School, Jackson, Michigan. Auditorium and gymnasium, in separate wings, are available for community use without opening the school proper.
STRUCTURAL FORMS—12: Long Spans in Wood

By Seymour Howard, Architect, Instructor at Pratt Institute

STANDARD LAMELLA ROOF CONSTRUCTION DATA (Continued)

TYPICAL SILL DETAILS

WOOD SILL

STEEL SILL

REINFORCED CONCRETE SILL

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ADDENDA FOR TIME-SAVER STANDARDS ON WOOD STRUCTURAL FORMS.

Sheet 5 (T.S.S., Sept. 1952): Characteristics under "General Considerations of Wood as a Structural Material" refer, in order, to listing of consequences in opposite column.

Sheet 6 (T.S.S., Sept. 1952): Table of bending radii is based on the straight line formula of the "National Design Specification." Smaller minimum radii can be used. The Forest Products Laboratory (paper Laminating Structural Wood by Gluing, D 1635) and Timber Structures Inc. recommend radii in table, right.

Sheet 6, Under Kinds of Wood, Paragraph 2: "Gluing of treated wood is very difficult, almost impossible with creosoted wood. Techniques are being developed, but it is best to treat wood after gluing."

Sheet 7, Methods of arrangingplies: "Method 1 shown for arranging laminations is used more than 90 per cent of the time. The lower face, since it is usually visible from below, is the one to which all other laminations are made parallel. The diagrams showing methods 1 and 2 are upside down for usual conditions."

"Note also that the slope of grain in any lamination must be measured with respect to the neutral axis of the frame or arch."

Sheet 7, Typical fastening details: "A 1-in. air space should be provided around all wood built into masonry."

Bibliography:

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Arches (2-hinged) based on curves and tables by Summerbell Roof Structures, Los Angeles 11, Calif.


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In many conventionally fireproofed multi-story steel-framed buildings, at least 15 per cent of the structural steel is devoted to supporting its own fireproofing. Much of this steel can be saved by eliminating heavy individual encasement of beams and girders and replacing it with a thin lightweight fire-resistant ceiling stretching from wall to wall beneath the structural members.

To fully realize the savings in this type of construction, the membrane fireproofing must be incorporated in the original design. Lightweight floors—such as thin concrete decks over cellular steel panels, junior beams and steel joists, which are often difficult to fire protect by individually encasing each element—may be made eligible for use in fireproof buildings by a metal lath fire-resistant ceiling.

By employing lighter fireproofing, lighter floors, lighter structural members and chasing these reduced loads right down to smaller footings, a designer can often total considerable weight saving, with consequent reduction in costs.

Other economies can be added to the savings made in the structural frame. Concrete forms are eliminated. Construction time is reduced because plumbers, electricians, sheet metal workers and other trades can go to work sooner when supporting shores for concrete form work are not required.

Metal lath and plaster fireproofing can also serve as a durable and attractive interior finish.

The American Society for Testing Materials and the American Standards Association have established standard procedures for fire testing building materials and constructions, and rating them in terms of time.

Such nationally-recognized building codes as the BOCA Basic Code, the Southern Standard Building Code, the National Board of Fire Underwriters Code and the Pacific Coast Uniform Building Code recognize performance standards and specify fire resistance in terms of hours. The use of tested membrane fireproofing permits the design of the degree of fire resistance desired.

Materials Used in Metal Lath Membrane Fireproofing

Metal lath serves as both plaster base and steel reinforcing. Resilient steel embedded in the plaster helps keep fireproofing in place when it may be needed most—such as after an earthquake; expanded metal lath, with its thousands of small uniquely-shaped openings, also helps prevent fireproofing membranes from spalling under intense heat.

Since metal lath acts as a structural "backbone" for fireproofing construction, the weight and type of lath is determined by span between supports. To resist corrosion, metal lath is generally made from copper alloy steel and painted after fabrication with a rust inhibitive paint. Tests prove that standard lathing procedures are entirely adequate for membrane fireproofing. These procedures are outlined in "Specifications for Metal Lathings and Furring," available on request from the Metal Lath Manufacturers' Assn.

Gypsum Plaster

Gypsum rock is crystalline calcium sulphate. When ground into powder, then heated or cooked, gypsum releases a great part of its water of crystallization. By adding water to this calcined gypsum plaster, a plastic material is created that is easily applied to walls and ceilings. Gradually the gypsum recombines with the water to form crystals and reverts to its original rock-like state.

This ability of gypsum to release water when heated to high temperatures makes it an outstanding fireproofing material. In slowly going from "dry" water to steam, water of crystallization actually absorbs heat from the flames. The opposite side of the gypsum remains relatively cool until all the water is gone.

The more gypsum in plaster, the better the "sprinkler system" that is available to combat a fire. It is important in all membrane fire-proofing to specify plaster mix and thickness.

When sand aggregate is used, plaster is proportioned by weight. The accepted practice when lightweight aggregates are used is to specify the amount of gypsum by weight and the aggregate by volume. A mix of 100:2 means that 100 lbs of gypsum, or one sack, is mixed with 2 cu ft of aggregate. Lightweight aggregates usually are packed 4 cu ft to a sack.

Next wood-fibered gypsum plaster is a mill prepared base coat plaster containing a wood fiber aggregate and requiring the addition of water only on the job. It is from 50 to 100 per cent more effective as a fire-proofing material than standard mixes of gypsum-sanded plaster.

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The table of fire ratings on page 211 is a conservative evaluation of many fire tests, conducted for the most part at the National Bureau of Standards. Usually these structural members have been tested as part of lightweight floor assemblies with a 2 or 2½ in. concrete floor slab.

These tests are reported in the Bureau's BMS-92 from which this following pertinent quotation is taken:

"It is noted that fire-resistance ratings are based on the performance of members near the lower range in size. For larger size members used in all but the upper stories of such high buildings, there would be considerable increase in fire resistance above the nominal ratings for the same kind and thickness of protecting materials."

Metal lath ceilings may be furred with ¾ in. channels or suspended below the structural steel as the condition may require. Rib metal lath may be attached directly to the bottom flange of joists, purlins and other secondary members if their spacing does not exceed 24 in.

The ratings listed are for non-combustible construction sealed between a ceiling and a non-combustible floor. Combustible floor or ceiling finishes are permissible if they are separated from the structural steel by a concrete floor or a fire-protective ceiling.

Where the required fire rating for the primary structural members supporting a floor system is greater than is required for the floor, the membrane fireproofing should be designed for the greatest rating required by any one member, and the remaining structural steel will enjoy an added fire-resistive factor of safety.

A few building codes require that the space above membrane fireproofing be firestopped into more or less arbitrary areas. In non-combustible construction, it is a costly and unnecessary requirement.

If firestopping is required, it can be accomplished by placing non-combustible materials, such as sheet steel or metal lath and plaster, between the ceiling and the bottom flange of a solid-web beam. Fire-stopping is automatically provided by solid-web structural members which extend from ceiling to floor slab.

However, the American Iron and Steel Institute has this to say about firestopping:

"Where only non-combustible materials are used in the construction, fire-stopping is not essential to prevent the spread of fire within the floor and roof construction. In fact, fire stops within non-combustible floor construction, by confining within a smaller space the heat transmitted from a fire, may prevent dissipation of the heat, intensifying the effects, and do more harm than good."

**Air Conditioning and Electrical Outlets**

Tests indicate that the function of a fire-protective ceiling is not materially affected by openings for air conditioning and electrical outlets if their total area is not more than 100 sq in. per 100 sq ft of ceiling.

Ceilings of both gypsum-perlite and gypsum-vermiculite plaster on metal lath have been tested with and without openings. Temperature measurements on the floors and the structural steel members show that properly-protected openings make little difference in the fire protection afforded by these ceilings.

Although these tests were conducted on lightweight cellular steel floor constructions, the results are logically applicable to all membrane fireproofing regardless of the type of floor being protected.

All duct openings and junctures between branch ducts and main ducts must be protected with 12 ga. gravity-operated dampers held open with 160 F fusible links. These are the same type dampers required by building codes to prevent the spread of smoke and gases through duct systems.

The damper at the duct opening should be covered on the exposed side with two layers of asbestos paper 1/32 in. thick. The membrane fireproofing must extend behind air diffusers to meet the duct opening at the section where it is protected by this damper.

When flush-type troffer lights are used, an opening in the fireproofing can be avoided by keeping the protective membrane continuous behind the fixture as shown in the accompanying detail.

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* Tests were conducted at the Underwriters' Laboratories and reported in Retardants 2009, dated 12/14/39 and 12/15/49; Retardants 2993, dated 12/14/48; and Retardants 3355, dated 4/30/51.
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