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## Coming in the Record

#### MASTERPIECE DE LE CORBUSIER

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With much less publicity than is usual, Le Corbusier's latest has been building at Eveux, France: La Tourette, or, more properly, the Couvent d'Etudes. Those who have seen this Dominican priory have been so entranced that they call it his greatest work. Our photographer outdid himself to produce an uncommonly handsome set of photographs, which we shall give feature treatment in July.

#### CRITICISM : PROFESSIONAL LEVEL

The peripatetic John Ely Burchard, who is likely to turn up any place on the globe where architecture is seriously done or discussed, has done another of his scholarly evaluations of contemporary architecture, this time in Italy. Yes, he recently spent a great deal of time there, more perhaps than some of the English critics who have been so glib about architectural trends in Italian cities. His report is as thoughtful as his appraisal of Unesco House and its art. (ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, May, 1960).

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## Change Is the Keynote at A.I.A.'s San Francisco Convention

The changing role of the architect in a changing world was the concern of architects in and out of formal sessions of the 92nd annual convention of the American Institute of Architects, April 18-22 in San Francisco. "Expanding Horizons" was the official theme; and a series of distinguished speakers from disciplines outside the profession of architecture brought messages which were testimony of change present and to come and of the stunning complexity of the problems which confront the planners of today and tomorrow. The A.I.A. had a lengthy and solemn dissertation from its own Committee on the Profession calling for sweeping changes in education, registration and standards of practice to equip the profession to meet the new challenges. And in his brief inaugural address, the A.I.A.'s new president, Philip Will Jr. of Chicago, saw "the profession at a crossroads" and suggested





DR. J. ROBERT OPPENHEIMER (seated far left in top photo) called "the profession which spans the great arch from the techniques and sciences to the arts and the meanings and the hopes of man" to "look with very wide angle lenses at the sites in which you are working." Dr. Oppenheimer's address, received with prolonged applause and a standing ovation, was the high point of an outstanding program

NEW FELLOWS pose at the foot of the grand staircase in the Rotunda of the City Hall, where they were invested in an impressive and moving ceremony. Two were women



LUDWIG MIES VAN DER ROHE received the 27th Gold Medal of the A.I.A. from retiring President John Noble Richards at the annual dinner in the Garden Court of the Sheraton Palace Hotel. "We are not at the end but at the beginning of an epoch," Mies said; "an epoch which will be guided by a new spirit, which will be driven by new forces, new technological, sociological and economic forces, and which will have new tools and new materials. For this reason we will have a new architecture"





1960 A.I.A. Convention: "Expanding Horizons"

Dr. Ralph Tyler, director of Center for Advanced Study in Behavioral Sciences, Palo Alto, who introduced the program



Dr. Wendell Bell, professor of sociology and anthropology, UCLA: "Sociological Horizons"



Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer, director of the Institute for Advanced Studies, Princeton: "Houses of Science"



Dr. C. Northcote Parkinson, Raffles Professor of History, University of Malaya: "Political and Economic Horizons"

Dr. Morton White, professor of philosophy, Harvard University: "Philosophical Horizons"



"the time has come when we must redefine the mission of the architectural profession"—with the profession accepting, and equipping itself to accept, the kind of responsibility for the total environment the nation has historically entrusted to the medical profession in matters of health and the clergy in matters of religion and morals.

#### Wonderful Town!

On a less lofty level, the corridor conversations and the cocktail party chatter tended to get around to the same theme—the problems of practice in a day when the problems are changing almost daily.

It was a big convention-at a total registration of 2525 the second biggest in A.I.A. history-and this was undoubtedly in part attributable to the attractions of that wonderful town, San Francisco-one subject on which there was entire and enthusiastic agreement. Weather was perfect, clear and bright; and the program was so organized that it left time for sight-seeing and the architectural tours and eating in San Francisco's famous restaurants (there were no programmed luncheons and only the annual dinner). With the Mark Hopkins as the official "convention headquarters," meetings were held in the new Masonic Temple just a bit farther up Nob Hill.

#### Will Succeeds Richards

With no political excitement, and no surprises, new officers were named and the business of the convention was covered. Mr. Will was elected without opposition to succeed John Noble Richards of Toledo as the 38th president of the A.I.A.

In the only two contests, James M. Hunter of Boulder, Colo., was named second vice president over I. Lloyd Roark of Kansas City and L. Bancel LaFarge of New York; and Raymond S. Kastendieck of Gary, Ind., was returned as treasurer over a renewed bid by Gerson T. Hirsch of Pleasantville, N. Y.

Henry L. Wright of Los Angeles was elected first vice president (moving up after two years as second vice president); and J. Roy Carroll Jr. of Philadelphia was re-elected secretary.

New regional directors (nominated by their districts and elected at the convention) are: *Central States* —Oswald H. Thorson, Waterloo, Iowa (succeeding I. Lloyd Roark, Kansas City); *Florida*—Robert M. Little of Miami (succeeding Clinton Gamble, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.); *California*—Malcolm D. Reynolds of Oakland, Calif. (succeeding U. Floyd Rible, Los Angeles); and *Texas*— Reginald Roberts, San Antonio (succeeding R. Max Brooks, Austin).

#### New Structure Postponed

The two major matters of business put before the convention related to adjustment to the changing context of practice: a proposal, which had been presented to the membership in brochure form months before the convention, and as the result of long study by an A.I.A. Board committee, headed by the then first vice president, Philip Will Jr., to revise radically the organization of the Institute itself; and another proposing the broadening of national Institute membership by the addition of three new national membership classifications-student, associate and "professional affiliate" (consulting engineer, landscape architect or "land planner" and artist).

Both proposals (in the form of by-law changes offered by the Board of Directors) were referred back to the Board for further study; and it is likely that next year's convention in Philadelphia will produce fuller discussion and some action on them.

#### **Mies Accepts the Medal**

The convention had no more poignant moment than that at which the A.I.A.'s Gold Medal, its highest honor, was presented to Ludwig Mies van der Rohe. Now 74, Mies (like Frank Lloyd Wright and Walter Gropius) has had to wait longer than some less distinguished colleagues for this recognition of his "distinguished contributions to architecture"; and the storm of applause when the presentation was made as the climax of the annual dinner (while the band played "Chicago"!) suggested that the audience was trying in thunderous ovation to make up for the delay.

Mies finally was able to gesture the assembly to silence, and it sat in an almost breathless hush to hear his brief speech of acceptance:

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Mies with Minnesota's architecture dean, Ralph Rapson; and (in leis) incoming president Philip Will Jr. of Chicago with first V. P. Henry Wright of Los Angeles and John Lyon Reid of San Francisco



Minoru Yamasaki of Detroit and panelist Harry Weese of Chicago; and RECORD Western Editor Elisabeth Kendall Thompson of Berkeley with George Vernon Russell and William Pereira of Los Angeles



Francis Joseph McCarthy of San Francisco, F. W. Dodge Corporation vice president H. Judd Payne of New York and Henry Wright of New York; Dean Henry L. Kamphoefner of North Carolina State School of Design and George Matsumoto, also of Raleigh



Switzerland's Jean Tschumi, winner of the 1960 Reynolds Award, discussing exhibit of his successful entry in the \$25,000 competition: award was presented at the convention; and Paul James Huston of Palo Alto with Edgar Tafel of New York



New Orleans duo-Solis Seiferth and James Lamantia; Executive Director Edmund R. Purves and Mrs. Purves of Washington, D.C., and Everett E. Parks, Santa Ana, Cal.



Harris Armstrong of St. Louis and Robert Fitch Smith of Miami; and New Yorkers Giorgio Cavaglieri (left) and Robert S. Cutler of SOM (right) with Great Lakes Director Linn Smith of Birmingham, Mich.



Sculptor Costantino Nivola of New York and the youngest architect Weese-Ben; Joseph L. Johnson of Los Angeles and Theodore Bernardi of San Francisco



Wolf von Eckhardt and Polly Shackleton of the A.I.A. staff with North Central Regional Director Harold Spitznagel, Sioux Falls, S. D.; San Francisco's Gardner Dailey and John Carl Warnecke Jr.



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At the President's Reception at City Hall (following the Investiture of Fellows): Vernon DeMars, Berkeley, Samuel Zisman of San Antonio, Yama and Arch B. Swank Jr. of Dallas



Robert A. Alexander of Los Angeles with John Cabot of the National Park Service, Philadelphia; RECORD Publisher Robert F. Marshall and Robert F. Hastings of Smith Hinchman & Grylls, Detroit.



New president and first lady: the Wills of Chicago. Right: the group of Mexican architects who brought with them a proposal (under study) for a joint U. S. Mexican Planning Commission to be sponsored, at least in its initial stages, by architects of the two nations-President Ramon Corona Martin of the Commission of International Affairs, Hector Mestre, Guillermo Rosell de la Lama (head of the delegation), Carlos Reyes Navarro, Gustavo Struck Bulnes and Jose Luis Reyes



New Yorkers Daniel Schwartzman, Geoffry N. Lawford, Arthur Holden and Gordon Lorimer caught by the camera at a moment of not too serious caucus



RECORD senior editor James S. Hornbeck of New York and George Fred Keck of Chicago; another convention snapshot at right, Walter Netsch of SOM's Chicago office



President's Reception again, this time the receiving line: first vice president Henry L. Wright and Mrs. Wright, Secretary J. Roy Carroll Jr. and Mrs. Carroll



Retiring president John Noble Richards and Mrs. Richards, new president Philip Will Jr. and Mrs. Will. A.I.A. had first non-public event at City Hall

1960 A.I.A. Convention Camera's Eye View



A.I.A. Director of Staff Administration (and convention manager) J. Winfield Rankin, with Dean Thomas Mackesey of Cornell's School of Architecture and Prof. Gorm Hansen of Yale; Treasurer Raymond S. Kastendieck, Gary, Ind., and W. Newell Reynolds of Buffalo



New Yorkers Robert S. Hutchins, Geoffry N. Lawford and L. Bancel LaFarge; and—on one of the benches in the lobby of the Masonic Temple—Charles Graves, Kentucky's architecture chairman, and Earl H. Reed of Chicago, A.I.A.'s chief guardian of historic buildings



Two new Fellows at the President's Reception after their investiture —Hugh Stubbins Jr. of Cambridge, Mass., and O'Neil Ford of San Antonio; and—back in the lobby of the Masonic Temple—Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Del Gaudio of New York with New England Regional Director Alonzo J. Harriman, Auburn, Maine



Two more between-sessions groups in the lobby-Kenneth Kassler of Princeton, another new Fellow, with Arthur Holden of New York; George Vernon Russell of Los Angeles with John Carl Warnecke Jr. of San Francisco, public relations chairman for the convention, and Paul Thiry of Seattle



Jack Warnecke again, this time with Neil Conner, director of architectural standards for the Federal Housing Administration, Washington, D.C., and San Francisco FHA Director Robert Macduff; and Sam Cooper and Chlothiel W. Smith, one of two new women Fellows



Old Cornell schoolmates Bob Alexander of Los Angeles, Shigeo Hirata of Tokyo and Lawrence Perkins of Chicago; and Emerson Goble, editor of the RECORD, with Polly Shackleton of the A.I.A. staff and panelist Henry D. Whitney of New York



Florida's new regional director, Robert M. Little of Miami, with Dean Turpin C. Bannister of the University of Florida and Linus Burr Smith of the University of Nebraska; retiring California Regional Director U. Floyd Rible with architectural students Richard T. Wedseltoft and Charles H. Shaffner, College of San Mateo



Edwin H. Lundie of St. Paul with Earl H. Reed of Chicago, chairman of the A.I.A. Committee on Preservation of Historic Buildings, and Paul Thiry of Seattle; and Wolf von Eckhardt and Ketchie Brassell of the A.I.A. staff with Edwin B. Morris Jr. of United States Steel, former assistant to the Executive Director of the A.I.A.



Richard Koch of New Orleans and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Ketchum of New York; Dr. C. Northcote Parkinson (center) with RECORD Publisher Robert F. Marshall, an executive vice president of F. W. Dodge, and Dr. George Cline Smith, vice president and chief economist



John M. Morse of Seattle, Vincent G. Kling of Philadelphia and George Fred Keck of Chicago; and George F. Pierce Jr. of Houston, former A.I.A. secretary Edward L. Wilson of Fort Worth and Albert S. Golemon of Houston



Two of New York's new Fellows, Geoffry N. Lawford and Lathrop Douglass, with the New York Chapter's executive secretary, Mrs. Margot Henkel; and Mrs. Roy Leibsle of Houston, Burdette Higgins of Des Moines and Western Mountain Regional Director Frederick H. Porter of Cheyenne, Wyo.



Architecture's singer of folk songs, Robert W. Schmertz of Pittsburgh, in his favorite role, and a lot of happy listeners crowded around him. Mr. Schmertz became a Fellow at this year's convention, but the more important news was that there are some new songs; one, called "Walter and Mies and Corbu," explains everything



San Francisco skyline from one of those terraces high up in the Mark, with Henry Wright of New York, Miami's Bob Little, and Edgar Tafel of New York; Prof. Gorm Hansen of Yale and Ralph Rapson, architecture head at the University of Minnesota



More program highlights—left, panelists Maynard Lyndon, Los Angeles, Walter Netsch, Chicago, and Robert Alexander, Los Angeles; right, John Richards and panelists Dean William Wurster of California, Henry D. Whitney, New York, and Harry Weese, Chicago



Happy trio of Californians—John Carl Warnecke Jr. and Mrs. Neil Smith, both of San Francisco, with William Pereira of Los Angeles; and a rather sober twosome, Robert Berne of Denver and Vincent G. Kling of Philadelphia



Robert W. Schmertz again, this time with Mrs. Schmertz and lei presented by an admirer; and Wayne S. Herzka of San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ingle Hoyt of Santa Barbara, Cal., Lee B. Kline of Pasadena, and Melton Ferris, executive director of the California Council, A.I.A.

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## Buildings in the News



Arena Stage: Theater Designed to Link Actor and Audience



A theater described by its architect as "an expression in architecture of the principles of arena staging" has been designed for Arena Stage, the ten-year-old resident theater company of Washington, D. C., and will be built (for occupancy in September 1961) on a triangular site adjoining Maine Avenue at Sixth Street Southwest within Washington's new Southwest Redevelopment Area. Harry Weese is the architect.

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## Meetings and Miscellany



-Drawn for the RECORD by Alan Dunn Can't you think of other ways of having fun?

#### New Conference Pattern Found By South Atlantic A.I.A.

Departures from the norm for architects' meetings were the rule at the South Atlantic A.I.A. conference in Winston-Salem, N. C., May 12-14. Instead of the usual speeches and panel discussions, there were ten seminars whose subjects ranged from "Psychological Aspects of Color" (given by a psychiatrist) to "Prestressed Extruded Concrete" (by an engineer). The seminars ran concurrently, but the whole program was repeated four times, so that it was possible for an individual to sit in on four different sessions.

All seminars and the business meeting were held in a tobacco warehouse (no tobacco was in sight). Many of the architects and their guests made their headquarters—not at hotels—but in the homes of local architects and others in the area. The meetings were leisurely. Distractions for the frivolous were many—among them a performance of Cole Porter's *Anything Goes*, an art film program, and a costume Beaux Arts Ball.

The high point of the program was A.I.A. President Phil Will's speech on the opportunities and challenges ahead of the profession and the steps required if architects are to take advantage of them and assume their full roles in society. The awards jury, Gordon Bunshaft, Ralph Rapson, and Hugh Stubbins, gave an Honor Award to Thomas T. Hayes Jr., for his office building, Sanford, N. C., and Awards of Merit to Edwards and Portman for their Coggins Medical Building, Marietta, Ga.; J. Bertram King for Country Day School, Asheville. N. C.; and two awards to George Matsumoto for houses in Richmond, Va., and Chapel Hill, N. C.—William Dudley Hunt, Jr., A.I.A.

#### Walter Taylor Becomes a Dean

Ohio University at Athens, Ohio, this fall will inaugurate a School of Architecture in its College of Fine Arts, with Walter A. Taylor, F.A.-I.A., as its director. Mr. Taylor has been, since 1946, director of education and research for the American Institute of Architects at its national headquarters in Washington, D. C. The Ohio degree of Bachelor of Architecture will require completion of a five-year program. The University now has a four-year curriculum leading to a degree in fine arts, with a major in architecture. Expansion of this program already has begun, so that several students will be well on their way to a five-year degree next fall; the first Bachelor of Architecture degree is expected to be awarded in 1963.

#### **Honors for Architects**

Four American architects were among 116 Fellows and 37 foreign honorary members elected to the American Academy of Arts and Letters May 11. The four: Wallace K. Harrison and Edward D. Stone of New York; William McIntyre Jewell of Boston; and Minoru Yamasaki of Detroit. Italy's Pier Luigi Nervi was made a Foreign Honorary Member. . . . Hugh Ferriss of New York has been elected to Academicianship in the National Academy of Design, Ralph Griswold of Pittsburgh and L. Bancel LaFarge and Geoffry N. Lawford, both of New York to Associate Membership. . . . Hugh W. Brown, III, of Shawnee, Okla., has been awarded the LeBrun Fellowship of \$3000 for six months' travel in Europe, the New York Chapter of the A.I.A. has announced. . . . John James Carlos, architect and editor of Architectural and Engineering News, has been awarded the \$3000 annual Arnold W. Brunner Scholarship of the New York Chapter, A.I.A. Mr. Carlos will use the award to complete a unit lesson plan for the teaching of architecture in secondary schools. Harold Edelman and Stanley Salzman, associate professors of architecture at Pratt Institute, also received \$1000.

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## Meetings and Miscellany

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## C.S.I. ANNUAL CONVENTION EMPHASIZES THE TECHNICAL

That the prime objective of the Construction Specifications Institute is to encourage and provide better technical information was made plain at the C.S.I. Fourth Annual Convention, April 25-27 in Palo Alto, California. Of the six program sessions, four were technical, dealing with contract documents, control of construction quality, manufacturers' technical information, specification methods and the technical program of the Institute.

In his keynote address, Presidentelect Glen Abplanalp told the convention that for the year ahead he anticipated a budget exceeding \$100,-000, the appointment of a full time technical director, increased cooperation with technical and professional societies, and more technical information through increased activity by the chapter technical committees.

From another quarter, James W. Cawdry, past president of the Associated General Contractors of America urged C.S.I. to stay in the realm of technical specifications. Mr. Cawdry stated earlier at the A.I.A. convention that the contractors feel C.S.I. should not get involved in the matter of general and special conditions which historically have been the province of A.I.A. and A.G.C.

This year's convention took account of the fact that quality construction depends not only on clear, accurate specifications, but also on the specification writer's awareness of the influences of codes, inspection and testing procedures and the realities of the construction process.

Getting accurate, complete technical information from manufacturers came up in several sessions. Panelists made the point that the specifier, of necessity, must rely on the manufacturer for accurate information on the quality, application and performance of his product.

Recognition of the contribution of the manufacturer to better specifications came in the form of floor discussions urging greater representation for the associate membership. A resolution was passed to permit associate members to serve as directors-at-large. Another resolution which would have given associate members equal voting rights was tabled, however.



Opening session: Robert W. Harrington, convention general chairman, presiding; Seated (l. to r.) George Lamb, Executive Secretary; Leonard Tivol, President San Francisco Chapter; Harry C. Plummer, Treasurer C. S. I.



Contract documents panel (Dallas and Houston chapters) : David C. Baer, William P. Dunne, Terrell R. Harper, H. L. Murchison and Henry T. J. Martin



Construction quality panel (Los Angeles and San Diego chapters): Victor Wulff, Floyd Finnerty, Herman C. Light, LeRoy Crandell, E. L. MacDonald, Max W. Strauss



Left: David Todd, President New York Chapter, panel on manufacturers' technical information. Right: Ex-president J. Stewart Stein, Chicago and Vice-

Right: Ex-president J. Stewart Stein, Chicago and Vice-President Elect, James C. Bort, Chicago



Left to right: President-elect, Glen Abplanalp, New York; luncheon speaker Colonel Archie Higdon, Air Force Academy; Vincent G. Raney, San Francisco committee

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continued from page 32 us that great things are never easy. They are as difficult as they are rare.'

### "Expanding Horizons"

The "professional program"-i.e., speeches and discussions aside from business-was this year arranged by a committee of the host (Northern California) chapter headed by John Lyon Reid.

Unquestioned high point was the address "Houses of Science" by Dr.

J. Robert Oppenheimer in which the noted physicist and director of the Institute for Advanced Studies at Princeton suggested that "a profession which spans the great arch from the techniques and sciences to the arts and the meanings and the hopes of man" may be especially sensitive to the increasing difficulty of communication among people increasingly isolated from each other by specialized traditions which multiply, in this scientific age, too often at the expense of the "common tradi-



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### "Give Us a City!"

From Dr. C. Northcote Parkinson ("Political and Economic Horizons"), Raffles Professor of History at the University of Malaya and author of that insouciant best-seller "Parkinson's Law", came a plea for the revival of city life "as an effective background for intellectual discussion and constructive thought."

"If I dared speak for the intellectuals and artists of the world," said Dr. Parkinson, "I should say to you architects, 'Ours is an age in which the many rely more and more upon the abilities of the few. Give us a city in which we can live and work and argue and compete !' "

If this seemed like an undemocratic subservience to the needs and wishes of a few eggheads, Dr. Parkinson remarked with careful impertinence, in today's world the Einsteins and the Marilyn Monroes may matter more than all the bankers and car salesmen who yearn for suburbia.

In conclusion, Dr. Parkinson cheerfully raked his hearers over the coals by listing the architect's temptations"-one, "to think himself a god"; two, "to use the word 'functional'"; three, "to read architec-tural journals" (so "all buildings look the same" and are designed not for the client but for publication). continued on page 49



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### Of Hostility and Power

Dr. Morton White, professor of philosophy at Harvard University, and Dr. Wendell Bell, professor of sociology and anthropology at the University of California at Los Angeles, discussing "Philosophical Horizons" and "Sociological Horizons" respectively, found somber phenomena to report. Dr. White thought a certain feeling of disorientation on the part of the contemporary city planner and urban reformer might be at least partly accounted for by the long history of "highbrow hostility to urban life" in American literature from Jefferson on (and not forgetting Sullivan and Wright). And Dr. Bell warned of the "problem of power" in American democracy and asserted that a study of those occupying positions of power in public affairs in this country does not reveal a "proportionate representation" of various social groups.

Architect participants on discussion panels following each of the major speakers were: Sociological Horizons—Harry Weese, Henry D. Whitney and William W. Wurster; Technological Horizons—O'Neil Ford, Burnham Kelly and George Fred Keck; Political and Economic Horizons—Walter Netsch Jr., Robert E. Alexander and Maynard Lyndon; Philosophical Horizons—Louis Kahn, Lawrence B. Anderson and John MacL. Johansen.

### **Products Exhibit Winners**

Award-winning booths for the 1960 Products Exhibition were selected as follows: for the effective manner in which it displayed its products-1. The American Brass Company, 2. E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., 3. Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Sales, Inc., 4. Crane Company; for the outstanding attractiveness of its booth-1. Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Company, 2. Cold Spring Granite Company, 3. Portland Cement Association, 4. American Air Filter Company, Inc., Herman Nelson School Air System. Jurors were Architects Raymond S. Kastendieck (chairman), William Cranston and Martin L. Beck.



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## \$25.5 Billion for Schools in the Decade Ahead?-U.S. Sets Some Goals

Broad Criteria as well as Construction Needs Discussed at Washington Conference of Educators Called by Office of Education

National goals which would involve expenditure of an estimated \$25.5 billion for school construction over the next ten years were outlined by U.S. education officials and discussed by representatives of more than 100 national organizations concerned with education at a meeting convened in Washington in April by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The goals were set forth in a new report prepared by the Department's Office of Education "to clarify the dimensions of a national problem in such a way as to determine the need for action," according to the foreword written by Lawrence G. Derthick.

### General "Standards" Defined

The report laid down certain broad criteria for these school plant facilities that are needed in the decade ahead. Every school, it said, should:

1. Safeguard students and teachers against physical hazards.

2. Provide ample protection for the health of the students and teachers.

3. Provide adequate space and facilities properly arranged for the current and anticipated curricular program.

4. Be sufficiently flexible to permit functional adaptation to an everchanging educational program.

5. Be economical in original cost and operation, and contribute to the operation of an economical program of construction.

6. Have appealing esthetic values for students and teachers.

7. Be properly located and designed to permit expansion to predetermined optimum sizes to care for anticipated increases in enrollment.

### **How Many Schools?**

The report also dealt with requirements for school construction and teacher supply. For the construction of elementary and secondary schools, the national goal was outlined as follows:

"To complete a construction program during the five school years after 1958-59 which will supply satisfactory school housing for every public school child by the fall of 1964; and a construction program during the second five years of the 10-year period through 1968-9 to maintain the status of a satisfactory classroom for every child."

Attainment of this goal, the report said, will require the construction of some 607,000 classrooms during the 10-year period, 416,300 of them during the first five years; or, estimating in terms of 1959 purchasing power, a capital outlay of \$25.5 billion.

### How to Do It

Falling just short of proposing any specific program for achieving the needs outlined, the introduction and summary of the findings on goals stated: "Capital outlay expenditures for schools are traditionally financed by issuing long-term obligations. If these same methods are used to finance the schools needed in the decade ahead, the total revenue that must be raised to provide these schools and to serve the debt already existing may be estimated at \$26.8 billion over the decade. Of this \$26.8 billion, about one-half is needed for debt service on classrooms already constructed by 1958-9."

The goals and proposals for their achievement must be considered on their own, the report asserted. If the ends are held absolutely necessary, it added, there can be no political or economic issue as to whether means should be provided.

#### **Changes That Spur Need**

After outlining the familiar historical background influencing the current backlog of school plant needs, the report cited a number of additional considerations it said were closely related.

On top of the continuing enrollment increases, the reorganization of schools and school districts heightens the demands, particularly for high schools. These high schools, it was noted, should be large enough to permit a suitable curriculum offering and a proper class division at the highest grade offered.

Course offerings are continually expanding and are a heavy consideration in school plant needs. It is not unusual today, the report pointed out, to find libraries, handicraft shops, provisions for audio-visual education, and in some cases special art centers, even in the elementary schools.

Changes in methods of instruction were noted as additional influences. Instruction by teacher telling and pupil listening did not require much space; much more is required by the newer instructional methods which involve pupils working in cooperative groups combining participation and learning.

Other factors mentioned included school equipment requirements; increasing pupil mobility—movement from one district to another and from rural to city areas; school organizational patterns such as introduction of junior colleges, kindercontinued on page 64

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garten and nursery schools and evening classes for adult work.

Finally, other trends creating demands for school plant improvement and change were said to include the community use of buildings for various activities and the introduction of new educational media such as TV and radio; the new stress on mathematics and science programs requiring new laboratories and teaching areas.

### Three Reasons for Building

The new statement of classroom needs embraced three components of need—existing backlog, increased enrollment and current replacement.

Combining all three categories, HEW placed the total need at 607,600 classrooms during the decade, assuming a continuation of the 1955-57 birth rates. The increase in the total number of classrooms in service over the decade will approximate 370,000, it said. This is composed of the 308,000 rooms to be built for increased enrollment, plus some 60,000 classrooms included in the backlog to relieve overcrowding. (The number of rooms needed for increased enrollment is computed by allowing one room for each en-

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But classroom construction in the last two years has averaged but 70,600 a year. If this rate were to continue (which is considered doubtful now) and if construction were redistributed among the states as needed, then a rate of 70,600 a year for five years would produce 353,000 classrooms, leaving a backlog of 63,000 rooms in the fall of 1964, the report noted.

Financing of construction was mentioned in a discussion devoted mainly to method. Cost aspects are being studied and it is hoped there will be firm recommendations by fall.

In discussing the report at the Washington meeting, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Arthur S. Flemming noted that it had been prepared by the Office of Education for discussion purposes. He said the Department would not determine the next step in "seeking consensus in this area" until results of the initial meeting had been thoroughly evaluated.



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### Sparkman Bill Would Encourage Advances in Housing Design

The Federal Housing Administration is willing to undertake a limited program of insuring mortgages on housing incorporating new and untried materials and methods if Congress will give it authority to do so.

This was brought out last month in testimony before the Senate housing committee. As the law now reads, the agency cannot insure mortgages

involving construction based on materials, design or building methods that have not been tested and proved to be acceptable. This is because of statute wording that employs the phrases "economically sound," and "acceptable risk."

The explanation was given the subcommittee by FHA Commissioner Julian T. Zimmerman, who said that in addition, the plan would be inconsistent with the mutuality provisions of Section 203.

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Commissioner Zimmerman was testifying on a provision in the new bill of Senator John J. Sparkman (D-Ala.), subcommittee chairman, which would compel the agency to give "careful and sympathetic consideration" to the insurance of mortgages on homes using advanced design and techniques—design and techniques that would reduce cost without sacrificing quality or livability.

### FHA Pledges Support

The witness left no doubt that the agency is in accord with the Sparkman proposal, and would support a limited program along these lines. He suggested that such authority should limit the aggregate amount of insurance on such homes and provide that expenses of the program would not be charged to the Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund.

There was agreement that no program exists now to permit technical advances, developed either by government or industry, to be tried on an experimental basis in full scale housing.

### FHA Takes Lenient Policy on Nursing Home Program

The Federal Housing Administration has adopted a lenient policy in its administration of the new nursing home program.

The amendment covering this activity provided for the insurance of loans to proprietary nursing homes —privately owned homes operated for profit. Thus FHA cannot accept applications under this plan for mortgage insurance from non-profit groups or municipally-owned homes. They would get assistance through the Hill-Burton program administered by the U. S. Public Health Service of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

FHA says Congress was very definite in indicating its desire that the two agencies—FHA and U. S. Public Health—should not overlap in administering the aid.

### Local Initiative Encouraged

FHA has instructed its field offices that applications will be accepted *continued on page 324* 

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1952	278.2	274.8	271.9	265.2	262.2	218.8	221.0	212.8	210.1	214.3
1953	281.3	277.2	281.0	286.0	282.0	223.0	224.6	221.3	221.8	223.0
1954	285.0	278.2	293.0	300.6	295.4	219.6	219.1	233.5	225.2	225.4
1955	293.1	286.0	300.0	308.3	302.4	225.3	225.1	229.0	231.5	231.8
1956	310.8	302.2	320.1	328.6	324.5	237.2	235.7	241.7	244.4	246.4
1957	318.5	308.3	333.1	345.2	339.8	241.2	239.0	248.7	252.1	254.7
1958	328.0	315.1	348.6	365.4	357.3	243.9	239.8	255.7	261.9	262.0
1959	342.7	329.0	367.7	386.8	374.1	252.2	247.7	266.1	272.7	273.1
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1956	288.7	280.3	287.9	299.2	293.3	279.0	270.0	288.9	298.6	295.8
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1958	297.0	278.9	304.9	318.4	313.8	289.8	274.9	311.5	326.7	320.8
1959	305.4	296.4	315.0	329.8	323.9	299.2	284.4	322.7	338.1	330.1
Jan. 1960	308.0	298.9	318.4	333.4	327.6	304.7	289.2	329.5	345.6	335.7
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## Required Reading

#### **Best Foot Forward**

EXHIBITION AND DISPLAY. By James Gardner and Caroline Heller. F. W. Dodge Corporation, 119 W. 40th St., New York 18. 190 pp., illus. \$13.75

#### BY MARJORIE B. NOYES

Fairs, festivals and exhibitions have enjoyed an unprecedented revival in the past decade. Large and small, they have descended on the earth from Boston to Baghdad—demonstrating everything from cows to atoms. Local folk have embarked on their production with as much enthusiasm, if not skill, as the most highly trained technicians and designers employed by the Federal government. Exhibitions and fairs have become as much a tool of national propaganda as have traveling statesmen.

Whatever the size, locale or subject of exhibits—whether world's fairs, museums or store displays their most important ingredient is the people viewing them. The viewer's comprehension, pleasure and comfort are absolutely necessary for a successful showing. Therefore, while a designer of exhibits must, of course, think of esthetics and techniques, he must always think of them in relation to the movement, observation and intelligence of the people who will be the viewers.

In the beginning pages of Exhibition and Display, the authors sum up the problem quite neatly: "Obviously no formula for successful exhibition design is ever going to be found in the clichés of yesterday, today or tomorrow. Successful exhibition design is not, and never can be, a matter of applied formula, and a lot of misunderstanding would be avoided if it were not discussed in such terms. In practice, exhibition design is an empirical process with no one infallible answer to any problem. But it is also an essentially practical business, concerned with the relationship between things being shown, the people that are to look at them and the lighting, structure, arrangement, lettering and color that are to achieve

the desired effect in the simplest and most pleasant way."

And so, on this basis, authors Heller and Gardner have presented a book that thoroughly details every phase of exhibition design-beginning with a discussion on what exhibition can and cannot do and departing into the details of displaying goods, circulation and stand layout, lighting, special effects, planting, features, goods and services, ideas and information, museum exhibition and traveling exhibitions. They wind up this thoroughly interesting lesson with a critical look at the Brussels Fair and seven pages on procedure that any and all involved in the preparation of an exhibition will find an invaluable guide.

Each section and sub-section of the book is generously supplied with photographs of familiar recent fairs, exhibitions, store displays and museum exhibits as well as diagrammatical sketches. The illustrations are chosen not as a review of current style in display nor as a collection of the best work by the designers—but rather to illustrate the points taken. They are all accompanied by sharp critical judgment.

The sense of excitement that is inherent in the very subject of exhibition and display is conveyed throughout the book. The primary function of an exhibit is, after all, to excite the viewer about the display-be it an ancient painting, a new kind of cattle, the miracles of the atom or a new dress design. Today, there are enormous possibilities ahead in a field that is basically experimental to begin with. The possibilities lie not so much in the layouts, structure and display arrangements as in the technical application of sound, animation and controlled lighting. There is a wealth of exciting possibilities at hand-but too few designers with daring and imagination to break the static barriers set up by tradition.

In his introduction to *Exhibition* and *Display*, James Gardner speaks of the discursive and rambling treatment of the subject. To the contrary, this reviewer found the book very well organized, superbly illustrated and, above all, interesting and highly informative.

It is evident from their achievements that the authors are well equipped to present such a volume. Miss Heller, a specialist in science and technology, was responsible for scientific fact finding and script writing for the British Pavilion at the Brussels Fair. Mr. Gardner is a leading designer noted primarily for his 1951 South Bank Exhibition in London, the first Edinburgh Festival and the British Pavilion at the Brussels Fair.

Exhibition and Display should be required reading for architects designing stores and museums and an absolute MUST for anyone involved in preparing exhibits.

### The Modern Marketplace

SHOPPING TOWNS USA: THE PLANNING OF SHOPPING CENTERS. By Victor Gruen and Larry Smith. Reinhold Publishing Corp., 430 Park Ave., New York 22. 288 pages, illus. \$13.50.

Beginning with a historical sketch on the evolution of the contemporary shopping center—both suburban and urban—and running through the entire process of shopping center planning, design and early operation, this is the most comprehensive treatment of the subject we have seen. It is written with an air of competence and authority; is generously illustrated with photographs, drawings, sketches, and charts; and has been put together in attractive format.

Following the historical prologue, there is a six-chapter section on prerequisites, which explains the role of the developer, discusses location, site selection, zoning problems, tenants, rentals, and financing. We suspect Mr. Smith had much to do with this section, which is informative and interesting, but which, unfortunately, fails to give us actual figures on actual projects.

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### Required Reading

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#### The Modern . . .

The next section is concerned with the planning and design process, and is notably complete. Its eleven chapters cover considerations of site, environment, traffic, merchandising, future additions, time schedules, the planning team, engineering, leasing and budgeting. The section ends with a group of case studies from various sources.

The final chapters deal with the completed center—its opening, promotion, publicity, uses of public areas —and present some ideas and schemes for the future. There is a useful bibliography at the end of the book.

Altogether, this appears to be the definitive book on the subject to date, and will probably become a must for all those persons seriously interested in the retailing environment.

-JAMES S. HORNBECK

### New Listing of Materials

1960 BUILDING PRODUCTS REGISTER A.I.A. The American Institute of Architects, 1735 New York Ave., Washington 6, D. C. By subscription: \$25 annually.

This is the first issue of a planned yearly series of building product listings intended to give equivalent comparative data as an aid to preselection of materials. This year's *Register* has "over 1300" product references in its 378 pages.

The Register consists of two major parts: the product listing sections occupy a total of 238 pages; each section is followed by several pages of abstracts of industry and government standards and specifications, short summaries and listings of reference material. In the front of the book is a three-page directory of technical organizations which develop standards and specifications. The book is divided into 17 sections organized in part according to the basic product category index of Sweet's Architectural Catalog File, which contains 35 product classifications. Mechanical equipment is not included in the Register.

Format of the 8½-in.-high by 10¾-in.-wide by 1-in.-thick book continued on page 368

# drafting and printmaking NEWS

## Low Cost Insurance Program Protects Original Drawings From Loss or Damage

Have you ever thought what would happen if your company's original drawings were lost or damaged? How much trouble and expense would be involved to replace them? Many companies are adopting a simple "insurance" program to meet just such a problem . . . a program which requires neither expensive new equipment or radical adjustments of established procedures. The program consists of two parts. First, recognizing the cost of any drafting medium is always an infinitesimal part of the investment in a finished drawing, the companies standardize on the drafting medium which affords their original drawings maximum life. Second, they institute the policy that original drawings must be used only as masters, that all printmaking must be done from duplicate originals of the masters.

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### **7 Factors Affecting Life of Concrete Floors**

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Through years of on-the-job study and extensive research work, Alpha has found that the following 7 factors must be considered if floors are expected to endure heavy wear. *Please note that these factors are not short cuts and also you can't omit the importance of quality materials, good supervision and good workmanship.* 

#### **1. The Cement Factor**



EFFECT OF CEMENT FACTOR ON DEPTH OF WEAR (2" slump and 28-day curing)

A 7.5-bag mix will wear 20% better than a 6-bag mix and 100% better than a 4.5-bag mix at the same slump and with the same 28 days moist curing.

### 2. Slump of Concrete

By *reducing* the slump from 6'' to 2'', the wearability of floors made of 4.5-bag concrete will be increased by 15%.

Reprints of the helpful information presented on this page are available on request.

#### 3. Length of Moist Curing Time



EFFECT OF MOIST CURING TIME ON DEPTH OF WEAR (6-bag concrete, 6" slump)

The higher the slump the more the concrete is affected by improper curing. The chart above shows how moist curing improves the wearability of 6'' slump concrete.

#### 4. Compressive Strength

For all practical purposes, the wearability of concrete is directly proportional to its strength. Example: 6000 psi concrete wears over four times better than 1800 psi concrete.

#### **5. Finishing Concrete**



Overtroweling will cause the finest particles and water to rise to the top, thus resulting in a low strength surface skin. The importance of troweling at the right time can be seen in the fact that the

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surface skin of 0" to 4" slump concrete can show the *same* amount of wear. Water and fines brought to the surface through careless troweling of lower slump concrete reduces the surface strength until it is no better than higher (up to 4") slump concrete. The surface hardness of 4" slump concrete is 100%better than 10" slump concrete.

#### 6. The Type of Cement

In cases where concrete is subjected to wear at an early age, provision must be made for high-early concrete strength. This can be done by using hi-early cement or a higher cement factor where Type I cement is used. Such conditions vary too much for specific recommendations here, but Alpha's field engineers are always available to users of Alpha products to assist in determining the proper construction method for special conditions.

#### 7. Drying After Curing

If concrete is permitted to dry *after proper curing*, its surface skin strength is almost doubled. It is advisable, therefore, to allow at least one day of drying after moist curing before the floor is subjected to heavy wear.

Good sound aggregates are important, but it is the mortar binding the aggregates together that determines, for the most part, the wearability of the floor. There is no short cut to quality concrete and as has been proved time and again, the right way is the most economical in the long run.

**Note:** All data on this page are approximate and intended for general guidance and not specific rules in concrete floor design and construction.

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SECTION AA. Precast cellular concrete Flexicore decks provide fireproof structural floors and roofs at Fairmay Apartments, Chicago. The five buildings are masonry wall-bearing except for reinforced concrete stairway and elevator core. Design called for 75 psf live load.



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SECTION BB. Clear span of 18'-6" between masonry bearing walls permits simplified design and fast construction. Underside of Flexicore deck is exposed for finished ceiling.

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The first big feature article on architectural graphics in the American architectural press (Signs and Symbols, ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, Sept., 1956), excited unusual interest and an unprecedented demand for reprints. Thus, we take another look at this subject.

In designing a sign which informs or locates or directs or promotes, the architect faces a design opportunity that is worth more than secondary consideration. Interesting shapes, colors, textures, materials, or chiaroscuro patterns can be introduced to enliven—by contrast—the severity and modular regularity of much contemporary work. As architecture brings together with sympathy and taste the arts and sciences in its conception, it will gain validity as a total expression.

### LETTER FORMS ON ARCHITECTURE by Norman Ives \*



This simplified sans-serif (1) complements the geometry of the building, but fails to relay its message clearly. The letter forms give the impression of weather stains at the lower edge of the façade. Example 2 is typical of the letter forms revived from the 19th century—fashionable in the 50's. The overly individual character of the Egyptian exIn the cityscapes about us, letter forms are very much in evidence in posters, traffic signs, street signs, shop windows, on buildings, and in all of the extraneous informational, directional, and persuasive signs that distract the eye. Graphic design is ubiquitous, and becomes an ever increasing responsibility of the designer. At night, there is a short-lived beauty in the conglomeration of signs-which suggests the beauty of a circus or amusement park-but upon closer scrutiny it becomes less attractive and more of an eyesore. Unlike a circus, it is here to stay. The jumble of letters and forms competing for attention is more apparent in daytime, when the confusion of architecture is added.

The responsibility for resolving this visual dilemma is the architect's. There are two ways for him to solve the problem of putting letters on buildings. One is to do it himself-the other is to consult with a graphic designer. In the first instance, a good solution might result; in the second, a good solution is more likely. There is no standard approach which would cover all cases. However, there are several possible directions. Most architects like the idea of a separate sign, such as a pylon. as far away from the building as possible. Depending on conditions, this might be a happy solution, since architects seldom think of letters as part of a building. The sign is too often treated as an afterthought. When the client demands more consideration for the letters, the best course is to call in a graphic designer as consultant. It is now too late for the designer to solve the problem in terms of the architecture. so both must adjust their ideals and compromise. Usually, the letters must be placed on the building. So, the architect must redesign the building (or that particular façade) to accommodate the lettering, or both the building and the lettering will be ineffectual by everyone's stand-

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tended letter sharply limits its use. This particular example appears to be enlarged from a type face. The hazards of a southern exposure are apparent in the next example (3). Here, the sun creates a new configuration which, because of the minimum color boundary between the surface of the letters and the façade of the building, makes the ards. The ideal solution is for the architect to consult a graphic designer during the conception of his design. With an understanding of the architect's approach, the graphic designer can suggest a direction to the solution that need not compromise either himself or the architect.

Without the help of one who understands and works with letter forms, the architect can make many mistakes when he attempts a solution on his own. The usual approach is to treat letter forms as elements of the building, along with the brick or glass or some other modular or ornamental material. If letter forms become merely an element of the structure, they fail to communicate their message, which is their first function. This is often caused by the use of geometrically exaggerated and over-simplified letters which would be difficult to read even on a printed page. These are the geometric sans-serif letter forms that played such an important role in the architecture of the 20's and 30's and can apparently never escape that context. The more geometric letters become, the less readable they are in a word configuration. Letters are symbols; and each should retain its own identity for maximum legibility. There can be no rules about which letter forms should be used on buildings, because each situation is different.

The most successful solutions to the problem have been those in which the letter forms have been used in contrast to the building in scale, color, and textureor by giving the illusion of being on a separate plane from the surface of the building. Such letters retain their individuality and their own vitality in much the same way that a good building is related to, yet separate from its site and surroundings. Obviously, it would be ideal if the architect could solve the problem of signs himself, but graphic design requires special knowledge and skills that he could hardly hope to possess. The wise architect will consult with a graphic designer.

The new shopping centers that are springing up in suburban areas give evidence of a serious attempt to integrate graphic design with highway and building. Another significant and exciting example which can be a lesson to the architect and graphic designer is Brasilia. Here the graphic design for the streets and buildings is being planned in relation to the total effect of the city, and the result should be attractive indeed.

Museum—Frank Lloyd Wright, Architect; 2. Chandlers Store, New York—John Graham & Co., Architects; 3. Susan Sheridan High School, New Haven, Conn. —Pederson & Tilney, Architects; 4. Typographic Sculpture, School in Greenwich, Conn.—Sherwood, Mills & Smith, Architects— Brownjohn, Chermayeff & Geismar, Graphic Designers

shadows more noticeable than the letters, and makes the letters difficult to read. In figure 4, the letter forms are used as a symbol, so that legibility is not a prime concern. The pattern of the symbolic decoration is raised from

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the plane of the wall so that the

shadows complement and en-

hance the total effect.





These pictures show examples of identification signs that are separated from the building. A variety of solutions is possible. In example (5), the circles of the exterior pylon contrast with and emphasize the simple triangle of the architecture, and relate also to the interior circular signs over the counter. In example (6), there is sufficient free area about the bank so that the sign could be made a freestanding element. Any addition to the façade would have spoiled it. The delicacy of the Clarendon letters is scarcely enhanced by making their color value almost equivalent to the

value of the surface upon which they are placed. In example (7), the sign is kept away from the façade by locating it inside the building, the object being—according to the designer —"to gain the attention of the passing motorist and at the same time to appear attractive to visitors entering

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from the rear, while combating building regulations against exterior and window signs." The Philip Morris signs (8 and 9) form part of a group that stretches along a highway to make a visual introduction to the building—as opposed to neighboring plants, which employ such devices as giant packages of cigarettes on stilts for the same purpose. The Towson Plaza pylon (10) employs a T symbol in clever fashion, although the letters cast shadows which tend to make them fill up and impair their readability. In the entrance sign (11) for the same project, legibility is vastly improved by the simple device of painting the letters directly on the surface of the sign. The dark background also increases readability. In example (12), the dark value of shrubs and buildings combines with the dark sign background to make the white letters legible



There are restrictions as well as challenges in putting letter forms on buildings. The elegant letter form used in examples (13), (14) and (15) seems appropriate both to modern architecture and to a bank. In (15), the use of white letters within a black band gives emphasis to the feeling of an entrance; and the black letters used inside the building (14), communicate their message in a less formal, though effective, way. The exterior sign on glass (13) is a less happy result; the flush left treatment has little to do with the other letter treatment of the architecture.

Example (16) illustrates a good use of shadow to improve legibility; by employing a light value on the surface of the letters, the resulting shadows emphasize their configuration rather than serving to make them illegible as in (10) and (3). The placement of the letters gives vitality and



13, 14, 15. Chase Manhattan Bank, New York; Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Architects Brownjohn. Chermayeff & Geismar, Graphic Designers

16. Home Security Life Insurance Co., Durham, N. C.; Raymond & Rado and Boaz & Small, Architects Elaine Lustig, Graphic Designer

17. Mutual Insurance Co. of Hartford, Hartford, Conn.; Sherwood, Mills & Smith, Architects Brownjohn, Chermayoff & Geismar, Graphic Designers

> 18, 19. Hilton Hotel, Denver, Colorado; I. M. Pei & Associates, Architects

20. Chandlers Store, New York-see No. 2



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scale to an otherwise unadorned brick façade. In example (17), the letters identify the building adequately and do not fight with the busy façade treatment. By separating the letters in value from their background, the letters appear to float on a different plane. The vertical stress of the window façade (18) makes the condensed letter form appropriate to this situation. The placement of the letters appears natural and planned; this particular part of the structure would seem empty without them. Interiors usually have an over-all dark atmosphere, especially when seen from a sunny sidewalk; in examples (19) and (20), (19) is a more successful solution, because the white letters are played effectively against the dark values, with space surrounding them. In (20), despite the white background strip, the letters fail to overcome the busy interior



21. Maison du Bresil, Cité Universitaire, Paris; Le Corbusier, Architect and Designer

> 22, 25. Ken's Restaurant, Boston; William Reisman, Archilect Norman Ives, Graphic Designer

23. Brentwood Shopping Center, Vancouver, B. C.; I. M. Pei & Associates, Architects

24. Symbol for Industrial Engineering Co., New York; I. M. Pei & Associates, Architects



The use of a symbol in connection with architecture is in many ways easier than a line of lettering. The symbol creates its own, self-contained identity; while letters create a horizontal line strongly suggestive of an architectural element. The Brentwood (23) and IE (24) symbols are sufficiently strong configurations that further identification would be unnecessary on a building

In example (22), the K symbol is used at the entrance; while in (25), the same K in one color is multiplied to create an over-all wall decoration

Corbu's identification sign (21) takes the form of a mural and covers a complete section of the dormitory building. The colors, informal lettering, and country symbol have a vitality and sprightliness often lacking in architectural lettering, which seems—in many cases—to take itself a bit too seriously

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# Study for an IBM Sign Design Program



For several years the visual aspect of the IBM corporate image has been subject to considerable study under the general direction of architect and industrial designer Eliot Noyes, acting as consultant for the company. He has designed new products and several buildings; has recommended other architects for various plants and buildings; has brought in graphics designer Paul Rand for an extensive program involving building and property signs, machine signs, and the design for a great deal of printed material.

In the interest of a consistent and recognizable visual identity for the company, Noyes and Rand after considerable study—have come up with a program for standardizing building and property signs for all locations. The company is now considering these recommendations.

The following 52 illustrations—all photographed by Eliot Noyes—were made from a group of slides selected from the 150 the architect uses for a talk he has given to various IBM groups. Recommended details for sign construction, lettering, and spacing are shown on the last page.



## A SIGN STUDY FOR IBM by Eliot Noyes

The visual clutter in which we live is aggravated on typical U.S. city streets and elsewhere by signs-thousands of themeach trying to be individual and shout down its neighbors-with the curiously self-defeating result in this typical example, Hagerstown, Md. (1) . Because of the babel of messages transmitted, no single message is clearly received, and our nerves are badly frayed. How agreeably different is this similar shopping street in Winchester, England (2)

It seemed to us that a corporation would do well to look to the signs it uses and consider these points:

In signs using the company name is the corporation clearly and consistently identified?

Are signs used intelligently in relation to buildings as elements of architec-

Are other company signs being handled consistently as to text (message) and symbols (arrows, etc.)? As to structure, color, type faces?

Do all signs represent and, in a sense, identify the company through their de-

Does the sign program appear dignified and acceptable to the outside world, or is it adding to the general visual clutter and confusion?

Are there economies to be found ?

We have recently been conducting a study for IBM to answer these questions. The signs we found as we began were probably neither better nor worse than those of most companies. Our study led to a design program for signs which IBM is considering as a company standard.

IBM buildings usually have the company name on them. All too rarely has the sign been considered as an element of the architecture-and a prominent element at that. In the past, a rather routine factory design such as at Kingston, N. Y. (3), ended with giant letters mounted over a



large central entrance element, looking like an architectural afterthought, and with their supporting structure embarrassingly apparent. One is not supposed to notice the struts—just the sign.

We are now urging architects to consider the IBM sign as a part of the building, and to incorporate it in the design. This is not always easy. On the IBM building in Los Angeles (4), the slabs with the IBM letters on them are related to the sun-shade module; but the varying width of the letters IBM make this only partially successful. This is a long step ahead of the Kingston approach, however.

It is clear that each building calls for a special solution. Note these good examples: IBM on building at 57th Street, New York City (5), IBM on Brussels Fair building (6), IBM on Rochester, Minn. Plant (7).

Another rather elegant way of handling the same problem is shown in Breuer's Van Leer building near Amsterdam (8). Here, the sign is a free standing illuminated construction.

In looking at other kinds of IBM signs, we found very little consistency of approach from plant to plant, and a rather wide diversity of character at individual locations, because of the lack of any standardized approach. Sign structures were extremely varied (9), though in cases individually acceptable.



The method of indicating direction was non-standard to the point of confusion. Arrows were of all sizes and shapes, sometimes with lettering superimposed on them; or surrounded with other information; or belying the verbal message—and so on (10). The use of standard traffic sign materials and structure can at least provide a kind of uniformity, even though such signs are not particularly attractive. It is all too easy, even with these tools, to fail to get a message across clearly, however.

For example, are both buildings (11) to the right, or is one of them straight ahead? And if one arrow is enough, are two (12) better? In this case (13), arrows become confused with the lettering, making it harder to read. Arrows pointing up are internationally used and understood to indicate straight ahead, even though they might seem to belong better on this sign (14)

Other problems we noticed were those having to do with variegated type faces, colors, sizes, shapes, materials, etc. All of these factors led at worst to a failure to transmit the message-at best, to a freewheeling independence. However. it seemed that there were many potential advantages in developing a standardized program of signs for the company. In thinking of the time and effort that had obviously been expended in inventing all these different signs, we could see large amounts of money being saved by making the design process simple and standard.

The goals, (not necessarily in order of importance):

clarity of message.

2. company identity through standardized appearance at all plants or installations.

3. economies of design and sign cost.
4. simplified procedures for procurement.

5. quality appearance.

**6**. good manners vis-a-vis the rest of the world.

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There seemed to be no reason why a company could not have: 1st, a few sizes and shapes of signs for all needs; 2nd, a simple and standard structural system for all signs; and 3rd, a standard method of sign layout, type faces, and colors.

Working with Paul Rand, we developed a concept for the program. If you want to get attention, you put up a flag (15). We thought initially to use the flag idea in 3 sizes (16). The use of these 3 sizes in different spatial combinations should give us a wide range of possibilities to cover the needs for large to small signs, one- to four-faced signs, and so forth (17)

We first tried this idea on two actual locations,—new IBM buildings which needed signs. The first was at Mohansic (18). The flag concept is expressed in the use of a considerable area of colored background beyond that used by lettering. One approached the building up a flight of steps, so the lettering was kept at the bottom of the sign. At the offices in Poughkeepsie we tried a large, free-standing sign (19)



Encouraged by the effectiveness of the trial signs at Mohansic and Poughkeepsie, we then made a much larger experiment, by taking over an IBM area in Poughkeepsie where we had a large variety of existing signs. These we replaced with new full size mockups, built of wood with silk screened faces, and durable enough to last a while, but not destined to be permanent. We put up about 25 of these, in all sizes, to test out our theories and make it possible to drive and walk through an area completely furnished with this new standard.

Four before and after versions show the general effect resulting (20). The type face Paul Rand had recommended was Standard Medium Condensed, in upper and lower case letters.

# abcdefghijklmnopqr

This letter enabled us to put rather long words in a fairly short space, and we believed it would be thoroughly legible to people driving about 20 mph. As these photographs show, we achieved much of what we were after, but not all.

We learned several lessons. We found that signs with dark letters on white backgrounds (21) were not good when the sun was behind them, because they assumed about the same value as the surrounding grass and were hard to see. We found that the use of white letters on red and blue as background (22) gave us both good legibility and a color code-the blue ones for simple information, the red ones for instructions to do or not to do something (turn, stop, don't park, etc.) Finally, we discovered that our type face was not as legible as we had hoped. We noticed this particularly on the middle-sized signs, and we found that in an approaching car we couldn't read them as soon as we thought we should (23)

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At this point we took a new look at highway signs, recalling that in Germany on the Autobahns (24), in England on its new high speed road (25), and on many of our U.S. highways(26) , Standard Medium (see following page) NOT condensed is the selected type face for signs designed to be legible at really high speeds. This had hardly seemed to be our problem, but if it worked for them it would surely work for us. Testing again at full size with photostats (27), we got a good check on legibility at various distances and speeds of approach, and this led directly to a modification of our design. Our final solution, represented by full-size mockups in place at Poughkeepsie, shows that the new type face led us to a modification in the form of the signs. Instead of a vertical rectangle, we now have a square in four sizes (28). We have codified the manner in which lettering and arrows are used, and have engineered structures in various materials and finishes to produce a standardized appearance. If this is adopted, we shall issue an instruction booklet on the subject to all IBM locations and hope that-as old signs are replaced or new ones needed-the signs on IBM property all over the world will present a clear, dignified, and unified appearance of quality, consistent with the nature and spirit of the company.





Above are shown the recommended four standard sizes for signs, as well as directions for spacing the lettering, "Standard Medium," enlarged from a type face of that name. Sign

boards would be of wood or porcelain enamel, supported on posts made of standard steel sections. Alternate metal edge details are shown at top right

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Complete asphalt processing plants and heavy road-building conveyer equipment are manufactured in this building. The over-all planning and design of the factory are notable for the unobstructed, open character of the interior which allows almost completely free movement of the large components produced. The structure is de-

signed for carrying the loads of two large cranes used to move these Considerable care was taken by the architects to integrate the building into the small-town atmosphere of the community. The components about within the plant.

building itself does not obtrude on its surroundings. Large trees on the site were saved wherever possible. Walkways, parking lot, landscaping, and the building exterior were designed for easy upkeep and

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Max Fleet photos




#### Barber-Greene (Canada) Ltd. Plant

Opposite page, top and bottom: the manufacturing area of the plant is located at the rear of the office wing. The office section is two stories high and has a full basement; the plant wing is one story and has 35-ft clear height inside. Opposite page, middle: the manufacturing wing is constructed with rigid steel frames, allowing free movement of parts and equipment within the area. Frames were designed to support 10-ton and 15-ton cranes used in the manufacturing processes





In order to prevent the noise and vibrations of the manufacturing processes from entering the office area, the two wings were placed on separate foundations. Loading and unloading operations are carried on within the building from the railroad siding which extends into the plant along the rear wall. Large windows are used in both office and plant wings. In the manufacturing area, windows are supplemented by continuous skylights in order to provide maximum daylight



In the first stage of the plant shown here, the emphasis is on development and testing; later stages are to be devoted to expansion of production

## PLANT DESIGNED FOR PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT



Bill Engdahl, Hedrich-Blessing

Pioneer Saws Div., Outboard Marine Corporation, Waukegan, Ill.; Ralph Stoetzel, Architects-Engineers; Samuel R. Lewis & Assoc., Mechanical Engineers; Campbell-Lowrie-Lautermilch Corp., Contractors This plant manufactures gasoline-powered chain saws, with twocycle engines, similar to those used in the company's Evinrude and Johnson outboard motors. The architects of the building have provided a design which permits a considerable amount of development, engineering, and test work to go on concurrently with production. As time goes on, production is expected to occupy a larger proportion of the total plant space. The architects have taken this into consideration in the design, providing for changes within the building to fit later requirements and additions to the building.

Except for the various test rooms which are expected to remain in their present locations, most major plant areas are flexibly located to allow for change. Movable partitions are used in the plant and in the office area. Heating, cooling, and ventilating distribution systems are located above the ceilings.



Opposite page: the two-story and basement office wing of the plant is attached to the large manufacturing and development section. The low wing on the left of the main plant contains a lunchroom, wash room, and lockers for the employes. The building structure is steel frame. Portions of the aluminum and glass curtain walls were designed and detailed for removal and re-use when the projected expansion program is put into effect. Other exterior walls are face brick or stone



The plant section of the building is 800 ft long. Approximately one-half of this area, in the center of the building, is devoted to the actual manufacturing processes. The remaining area is almost equally divided between engineering-drafting and development-testing. Design of the building was complicated by the large number of separate rooms required for testing and the need for sound isolation of these areas from adjoining the office and drafting areas





### Pioneer Saws Division Plant

Above: front view of office wing of plant, showing aluminum and glass curtain walls. The main lobby is located on the first floor in the projecting element, the manager's office directly over the lobby. Right: views show typical materials and treatment of office interiors. Floors are vinyl tile; acoustical tile is used on all office ceilings; partitions between office areas are movable, for the most part, but a few are permanent and finished with natural wood for contrast with the painted surface of the ceilings and other walls. Below: the stair is simply detailed; its appearance is light and open







Bill Engdahl, Hedrich-Blessing

The design of this plant had to allow for expansion to the complex shown which is approximately ten times the size of the first phase

## RESEARCH LEADS TO IMPROVED PLANT DESIGN



Nice Ball Bearing Company Division, Channing Corporation, Kulpsville, Pa.; Carroll, Grisdale & Van Alen, Architects; David Zuckerkandel, Project Architect; A. E. D'Ambly, Mechanical Engineer; Severud-Elstad-Krueger Assoc., Structural Engineers; Hughes Foulkrod Co., General Contractor An interesting aspect of this plant design is the role played by its architects in the preliminary considerations before the site was purchased or the program outlined. After area market, distribution, labor supply, and shipping studies had been done by the owner, the architects were engaged. With the owners, they reviewed the studies, spent considerable time in conference with the owners, and analyzed the available sites. After the present location had been decided upon and the land purchased, the architects developed an over-all program for the entire plant.

The plant layout developed by the architects includes all areas needed for full scale production, development work, and employe facilities. The first phase, now complete, operates as one department (Screw Machine). This department will be absorbed in the over-all scheme, when the entire building program has been completed.



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have been constructed so far; other portions of the plant are to be built later. Structure is steel frame with a steel, glass, and concrete panel curtain wall system. The sections indicate how the structure and wall were detailed. The largescale plan on this page shows the areas which have been constructed and their relationships to each other. In the smaller-scale plan on the opposite page may be seen the eventual layout of the plant buildings and the production system. Essentially, production will begin on the left side of the building, where the receiving and storage areas are located, and proceed through the building in accordance with the flow lines shown. When the expansion program goes into effect, the present locker and unassigned space will become part of the general office; a new locker building will be constructed, as will research and development and cafeteria buildings

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## Nice Ball Bearing Company Div.

Above: view of the locker room-unassigned space building at right, and the connecting covered walkway to the manufacturing building at the left. Right: views of the interiors of the manufacturing building storage and receiving area and the boiler room. Below: closeup of a corner of the boiler room exterior with the manufacturing building in the background. Bottom: view of the entire present plant with the boiler room at the left. As indicated, the steel structure and the reinforced concrete wall panels are exposed on the interior as well as on the exterior of all building walls







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HOUSES



Two Levels Add Drama To Hillside Site





Residence for Mr. and Mrs. John C. Miller Seattle, Washington Ralph Anderson and Dale Benedict, Architects John C. Miller, Contractor Mildred Pearson, Landscape Architect Miller Pollard, Interior Designer





A highly dramatic living area highlights this two-level house. Sited on a steep slope, the house has a modest one-story front and drops to a manybalconied two floors at the rear. Interior living space is emphasized by creating a two-level living area, with the upper area treated as a balcony to accent the vertical relationship of the two areas. The upper space combines a dining area with sitting space, and opens on an upper level, seemingly free-standing, balcony. The lower floor opens at ground level, and adjoins a master bedroom suite of TV-study room, bedroom and dressing roombath. The upper level has a childrens' playroom-sleeping room, and two bedrooms for guests or children, all with outdoor terraces, and within easy supervision from the kitchen.

The structure of the house is a boldly-exposed fir post-and-beam frame, with stud panels. The foundation is reinforced concrete. The exterior is pressed-board panels—rough side out and painted gray-green—and cedar siding stained warm gray. On the interiors, floors are cork. Walls are plaster board and cedar siding.



Anderson House













## A Florida Room With Engawas

Residence for Russell T. Pancoast Miami, Florida

Pancoast, Ferendino, Skeels & Burnham, Architects

B. E. Mevers, Inc., Contractor

Rudi Rada

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The currently widespread use of screened rooms to expand living areas in the insect-ridden southern climes and sometimes called Florida Rooms —has been magnified here to include an entire house; and besides usual living areas, to include a number of areas dubbed "Engawas."

The "Engawas" consist of gardenlike areas of combed-sand, a device centuries old in Japan but seldom used in this country despite widespread study of them and visits abroad by the profession. They make singularly good sense in the salt-air regions of our country where usual vegetation is not hardy.

The house combines an improbable combination of austere luxury, casual formality, and simple but ornamental details.











#### Pancoast House

Besides its near-tradition in Florida, the screened house fulfilled the owners' desire for a house open to cooling by the slightest easterly breezes, and open to a small lake to the east and to hammock woods to the west. The owners have adult children, and wanted spaces for entertaining, for occasional guests, for growing orchids, and a complete ceramic and art studio.

As developed, entire walls of sliding glass allow use of the house as a fully open pavilion; if easterly winds become strong, that wall may be closed and spaces left open to the west. Four-zone, reverse-cycle air conditioning was provided for unusual weather extremes.

The structure is of concrete-filled steel columns, with exteriors of cement-asbestos and aluminum battens. Interiors are cypress. Screens are drilled cement asbestos. Floors are cork.

# Office Organization and Procedures for Present-Day Practice

The architects were asked-

Please describe your own concept of architectural services, along these specified lines:

1. Have you extended or diversified your own services or added new specialties? Are you offering services for new building types, making specialized studies, or doing out-of-the-ordinary consulting work?

2. What innovations have you made in your office organization and procedures, to accomplish these objectives?

The comments in this article are a continuation of the series which began in February 1960. An examination of the role of the architect today has been under way in the pages of the RECORD for some time now. Lately, this examination has become more and more concerned with reporting the images architects have of themselves, now and for tomorrow, and how they are fulfilling these images. The comments presented in February indicate that numerous paths are open to architects, that individual firms are exploring new ways, that some are diverging from the generally accepted paths, while others are sticking to the more historic roles of the architect.

Three of the firms reported on here have made the basic decision that the way for them is that of offering unusually complete services for an almost infinite variety of projects, on a vast geographical basis. In order to do this, these firms have become integrated architect-engineer organizations. In addition, each has a number of specialists in other fields. All three are larger than average. Together, they make a good case for their approach to the problems of today. The fourth firm reported on dissents from the majority opinion expressed by the others. In all probability, this is a case in which each side is right, at least to a degree and within the frame of reference it has selected.

#### **Combination of Skills for Complex Projects**

I think our office is in the process of developing naturally to fulfill the needs of the projects in which we find ourselves involved. Of course the first step is the realization that a building is not just a piece of architecture, as the word "architecture" is commonly understood, but the result of the application of varied engineering skills in combination with the designer's art, to form a functional, economic, and esthetically pleasing whole.

We find that in a typical project, only about 35 per cent of the cost of professional services is expended on the so-called architectural aspects; the remaining 65 per cent goes to accomplish the other aspects of the project such as engineering, estimating, specification writing, and the like. So we have taken the step of becoming architectsengineers.

When you consider that a major industrial project may house five or six thousand people, you begin to see that we have to be concerned with how the project will affect the surrounding area so far as traffic circulation and utility requirements are concerned. So we have had to develop a group of people who understand traffic problems; and our civil engineering group understands city sewer and storm drain problems.

In the process of developing major sites in the outskirt areas of the city, we have come across the problem of getting land rezoned. In order to help our clients to achieve the necessary rezoning, we have been forced to consider the over-all city planning implications of such action. So we become involved in city planning.

Most projects in new development areas require new subdivisions and street and utility improvements. Thus we become actively engaged as subdivision engineers.

Frequently we are asked to study new sites for potential developments and report on the costs of developing new land. This can become quite involved, as it did in the case of the Mission Valley site where it was necessary to do a hydrology study to determine the high water level in the valley so that the shopping center could be situated at the correct and economic grade level during periods of flooding.

We have found it necessary to provide interior decorating and material selection services, as well as color consultation. As yet we have not found it necessary to provide landscaping, kitchen consultation, surveying or soil analysis, though there may come a time when it will be desirable to have some of these specialists on our staff on a full-time basis.

> John Day, Albert C. Martin and Associates, Architects & Engineers

#### **Diversification Within Existing Departments**

Your idea of demonstrating how architects in recent years have broadened their fields of endeavor is a good one. A report of this type would be a unique contribution, and should be of service to all practicing architects.

In response to your question regarding diversification, we list the following areas as examples of what our firm is doing:

1. Military: For the Army and the Air Force, we have planned military base installations and housing. In the case of Air Force housing, we have had the opportunity to plan two communities of approximately 300 families each. These have been coordinated with local school and community developments.

2. Urban Planning: A. For the City of Detroit we have completed a master plan of a section of the downtown area occupied primarily by medical and judicial facilities. B. For a suburban community, we have in progress a study of business district rejuvenation and reorganization to counteract the threat of shopping center competition. C. For a city college, we have proposed a mastercampus plan that devotes a major portion of the site to commercial development intended to help endow the college.

3. Architectural Research: A. For the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization we have completed a research and development program concerned with the feasibility of providing radiation fallout protection in elementary schools. This has been a major study involving a number of our staff over a period of 18 months. We are now engaged in a somewhat similar study, for OCDM, of the protection of office and apartment structures throughout the country. B. We have conducted two research investigations regarding new educational methods. One of these was concerned with combining seminar and audio-visual facilities in the same classroom. The other involved reorganization of the secondary school curriculum to provide a more flexible teaching program.

4. Structural Research and Model Testing: Seven of our buildings in recent years have utilized experimental structural techniques that involved special analysis. For five of these buildings we have built actual models and load-tested them, using strain and deflection gauges as well as other measurement techniques.

5. Electrical Engineering Research: For one of our military clients, we have made detailed cost studies of electricity as a heating source for housing projects.

In general, our expanded activity has taken place within

the regular departments instead of through the addition of new departments. However, we might mention two rather specialized areas appreciated by some of our clients: 1. Contract Finance: Most of our school designs are financed by bond issues. We have found that at the beginning of jobs clients who are provided with detailed schedules of expected construction payments can better invest their funds for maximum return during the construction period. This advice is handled by our Contract Finance Officer. 2. Publications: Increasingly, our clients turn to us to handle the writing, photography and layout involved in the publication and distribution of information, particularly when such information pertains to buildings or building research.

> Wallace B. Cleland, Eberle M. Smith Associates, Inc., Architects & Engineers

#### **Organization for Efficient Practice**

Certain current situations and facts concerning the practice of architecture and engineering as conducted by our firm will help to explain our philosophy and to articulate the activities and thinking which have guided the firm. Some of these are as follows:

1. The firm's practice is almost equally divided between architecture and design (in the more historic sense) and commissions for engineering design work. Our engineering work includes not only engineering for buildings but several specialized types of engineering design.

2. The firm is heavily involved in professional services for commercial structures, educational facilities, and other building types.

3. The firm is heavily involved professionally in military work, space programs, and diversified work for the missile industry.

4. The firm home office is in Los Angeles, California. An additional office in Washington and, currently, six overseas offices are maintained. At the present time, the firm has 480 employes.

5. The firm was established on January 1, 1946. The firm acts as a corporation in California but as a partnership in several other states.

We feel that there is a distinct difference between a business and a profession. In our firm, we naturally have felt that we are in a profession because we have been taught to think that way. Increasingly, we have found that we must re-examine this concept and have given a great deal of thought to it over the years. At the present time, we feel that we are perhaps 70 per cent professional, but we are at least 30 per cent on the side of business and commerce. Whether the percentages are correct or not is immaterial. The conclusion is important, though, because we have found that we must be concerned with handling our relationships with our clients/customers in a businesslike manner. This involves, for example, careful consideration of building budgets and a determination to state categorically whether we believe we can or cannot do what the client wants within the budget he has proposed. We find we must use similar approaches to the other problems of our activities.

> Phillip J. Daniel, Daniel, Mann, Johnson, & Mendenhall, Architects & Engineers

## ORGANIZATION FOR EFFICIENT PRACTICE

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Daniel, Mann, Johnson, & Mendenhall, Architects & Engineers

Daniel, Mann, Johnson, & Mendenhall is an architectengineer firm. This in itself is descriptive of a somewhat broader range of capabilities than is usually the case in most architectural firms. DMJM is even more complex than the usual A-E firm; it has become an organization which operates on a global basis, accomplishing professional work of a varied and highly complex nature, work that is far beyond the capabilities of most organizations.

Much of the work of the firm is on buildings of the usual kind-schools, office buildings, institutions-but a growing percentage of the jobs obtained by the firm are in new fields such as missile and space exploration bases. These fields are poorly defined even now, and many of them didn't even exist a few years ago. So involved is the firm in the new types of projects that-to an extentthe firm members have begun to talk in the manner of the clients they serve. It is not unusual to hear a DMJM partner or employe use a phrase of the research and development man such as "the state of the art" to describe the level of development or of sophistication in a given field. Exactly how all of this came about, no one including the firm partners seems to know precisely. Perhaps the best way to take a look at the firm and how it accomplishes the work it takes on is to examine its background capabilities, and the types of operations in which it is engaged. Perhaps in this way, a key to the firm can be found. By examining the "what," possibly the "how" will become apparent.

Atlas Missile Launching Pad, USAF Missile Test Center, Cape Canaveral, Fla. Official USAF photo





Ladera Elementary School, Manhattan Beach, Calif.





Apartment Buildings, Barrington Plaza, Los Angeles

Rocket Engine Test Stands, Rocketdyne Div., North American Aviation, Inc., Santa Susana, Calif.



#### Daniel, Mann, Johnson, & Mendenhall

#### Background

DMJM is, at the present time, a little less than 15 years old. It was founded shortly after World War II, by Phillip J. Daniel and Arthur E. Mann, architects, and S. Kenneth Johnson, architect and engineer. Another architect, Staley A. Moe, and a structural engineer, Irvan F. Mendenhall later joined the firm as partners. Each of the original partners brought a few jobs into the firm with him. During its first three years, DMJM did a number of projects (mostly public schools) and lost money. At this stage, it became apparent that the firm's future health and success depended on making some basic decisions about the goals the partners desired for the firm and how to get there.

The partners subjected the firm and themselves to a severe and searching re-examination, and went through a survey by an outside management consulting firm. The essential decisions were made: 1) to seek out a variety of large, complex work on a world-wide basis, in addition to the building types being done at the time; 2) to do all (or almost all) engineering and other technical work within the firm; 3) to establish a business-like organization, departmentalized with a partner in charge of each department; 4) to grow.

With the basic decisions made, the firm has grown and has gone into the types of work it wanted. This has not been accomplished overnight or without pain, however.

While growing, the firm has developed a distinct philosophy and approach to architecture and related fields, and the capabilities for putting these into practice. As expressed by DMJM, the capabilities might be listed in this manner: 1) adequate financial ability of the firm to handle its commitments; 2) experienced and knowledgeable people within the organization, with the ability to interpret and direct complex programs, perform major technical and management functions for clients, and evaluate and establish technical solutions to the client's problems; 3) ability to meet difficult and changeable production schedules; 4) ability to perform professional work within budgets; 5) flexible and reasonable professional fees. It should be profitable to examine, in some detail, the DMJM approach to these ideals. This should be possible by taking a look at the types of jobs the firm does, the services they offer, their geographical range of operations, the types of people on the staff (and their capabilities), the DMJM organizational setup, and the extra-professional activities of the staff.

#### Types of Work

Since its founding, DMJM has performed professional services for well over \$2 billion of construction. This total represents over 600 commissions. The firm has done a large number of buildings of every usual type. These include schools, apartment houses, office buildings, industrial buildings of various kinds, hospitals, laboratories, hotels, public buildings, shopping centers, and the like.

In addition, DMJM has done such highly specialized jobs as Wonder Palace (an integrated convention center at Anaheim, Calif.), master planning of Mountain Park near Los Angeles (includes residential, commercial and educational areas), designs for a food store chain, Atomic Energy Commission facilities for storage and disposal of radioactive waste, Santa Susana, Calif., Hyperion Sewerage System, Los Angeles, Calif., San Bernadino and Los Angeles flood control projects, streets, roads, and highways in California, Maryland, Washington, D. C. and other locations.

The firm has been responsible for the professional work on numerous military projects, including officers quarters and other military housing, complete air bases, harbors, communications centers, and other types.

Missile and space work has rapidly become a firm specialty. DMJM has performed complete professional services, including master planning, for a number of missile launching complexes and test facilities. Work done by the firm has included, in addition to the usual services, such things as roads and drainage ditches, high power transmission systems, utility systems, water distribution and sewerage systems, and specialized storage for liquid oxygen and other materials. For much of this work, the programs were incompletely defined because of the many unknowns present. Much out-of-the-ordinary research and development work was required of DMJM in order to do the work for which they were engaged.

#### Services of the Firm

In general, DMJM offers complete architectural services, along with all of the related engineering, planning, and specialized services required for almost any existing building type. All of the work is accomplished within the firm itself, except for the most specialized areas such as satellite tracking equipment or atomic physics. For consultation in these and similar areas, DMJM has made ar-





Left: Basic DMJM Firm Organization Chart Above: Foreign Operations Division Chart

rangements with a number of specialists outside the firm for consultation on  $\varepsilon$  continuing basis.

The firm has become more and more involved in space projects, missile base design, atomic design, and other projects of this advanced nature. In order to do work in these areas, it has become necessary to build up the firm's capabilities in fields less closely related to architecture than the usual engineering specialities. Service are now performed by the firm in such areas as industrial engineering, statistics, electronics, and the like.

The following is an outline of the types of services now being offered by the firm:

- I. Master Planning
  - A. Establishment of client's requirements and limitations
  - B. Evaluation of influencing factors
    - 1. Location and interrelationship with other facilities
    - 2. Climate
      - a. Rainfall
      - b. Temperature
      - c. Wind
      - d. Humidity
    - 3. Transportation and accessibility
    - 4. Zoning and governing codes
    - 5. Utilities and rates
      - a. Water Supply
      - b. Gas
      - c. Electrical Services
      - d. Waste Disposal
    - 6. Tax and insurance rates
    - 7. Characteristics of population, labor force
    - 8. Community support and acceptance
  - C. Determination of feasibility
  - 1. Economic evaluation
  - D. Determination of future expansion
  - E. Scheduling of construction of urgently needed components
  - F. Recommendations and counsel
- II. Architectural Planning and Design
- A. Analysis of client's requirements
- B. Development of concepts
- C. Preliminary engineering
  - 1. Structural
  - 2. Mechanical
  - 3. Electrical
  - 4. Civil
- D. Estimates

#### E. Development of working drawings

- 1. Architectural
- 2. Engineering
- F. Preparation of Specifications
  - Interior Design
    Color coordination
  - 3. Flow studies
  - 4. Architectural lighting
  - 5. Architectural rendering
- III. Engineering Planning and Design
  - A. Planning
    - 1. Site development
    - 2. Cost analysis and economic evaluation
    - 3. Reports
    - 4. Investigations
  - B. Design of Complete Facilities for:
  - 1. Sanitary Sewage Systems
    - a. Collection systems, trunks, and outfalls
    - b. Treatment plants
    - c. Pumping plants
    - d. Industrial waste
  - 2. Flood Control and Drainage Facilities
    - a. Hydrology and hydraulic design
    - b. Storm drains and appurtenances
    - c. Flood control dams, spillways, channels, and storage reservoirs
    - d. Water conservation and erosion control, debris and detention basins
  - 3. Water Works
    - a. Transmission lines and distribution systems
    - b. Treatment plants
    - c. Well development
    - d. Storage tanks, reservoirs, and pumping plants
  - 4. Highway Engineering
    - a. Alignment and right of way
    - b. Drainage
    - c. Bridges
    - d. Traffic potential surveys
    - e. Foundation and soil analysis
    - f. Pavement design
  - 5. Airfields
    - a. Runway configuration
    - b. Sound suppression and blast protection
    - c. Maintenance and storage facilities
    - d. Pavement design
    - e. Fueling systems and airfield lighting
    - f. Grading and drainage





Left: Domestic Operations Division Chart Above: Business Development Division Chart

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- 6. Miscellaneous Engineering
  - a. Marinas and harbors
  - b. Missile facilities
  - c. Subdivisions
  - d. Aerial photography, surveying, mapping
- e. Soils and foundations
  - f. Processing and industrial waste
- IV. Systems Engineering
  - A. Instrumentation Systems
    - 1. Design of instrumentation systems for:
      - a. Environmental test facilities
      - b. Missile launch and static test facilities
      - c. Sound attenuation test and laboratory facilities
      - d. Data handling and analysis equipment
  - B. Communications Systems
    - 1. Design analysis of:
      - a. Microwave equipment
      - b. Weapon system, static test, and launch control communication equipment
      - c. Military tactical communications equipment
      - d. Traffic control and dispatch equipment
  - C. System Integration
  - 1. Integration of functional requirements of facilities into planning documents and design criteria
  - D. Systems Analysis
  - 1. Analysis of existing or proposed operating systems to determine optimum design criteria to meet total requirements of the proposed complex
- V. Construction Management and Supervision
  - A. Preparation of documents
  - B. Issuing of drawings and specifications
  - C. Analysis of bids and making of recommendations
  - D. Preparation and execution of contracts
  - E. Surveillance of shop drawings
  - F. Approval of materials
  - G. Preparation of change orders
  - H. Provision of resident inspectors and construction supervision personnel

- I. Surveillance of guarantees and as-built drawings J. Recommendations and counsel during construction
- VI. Process Engineering
  - A. Foods
  - B. Beverages
  - C. Industrial
  - D. General Industrial Chemicals
  - E. Military

For projects of such extreme size or complexity that the firm feels it is incapable of handling them adequately alone, DMJM associates itself with other architectural and engineering firms in joint ventures. An example of a project of this type is the Titan missile facility project now being handled by DMJM in joint venture with The Rust Engineering Co., Leo A. Daly Co., Architects and Engineers, and Mason & Hanger-Silas Mason Co., Inc., Engineers and Contractors. Under the terms of their contract the joint venture (known as DMJM and Associates) is furnishing all of the architectural, engineering, and related services for the project other than actual construction.

#### The Firm's Staff

The firm employs specialists in a great variety of fields. An idea of the breadth of the technical staff (in addition to architecture and building engineering people) may be gained from the following partial list of firm personnel:

Systems Mgrs. Systems Engs. Master Planners Civil Engineers. Electronics Engs. Process Engs.

Nuclear Engs. Mechanical Handling Engs. Aerodynamicists Physicists Mathematicians Statisticians



One example of the types of projects DMJM gets involved in, in its expanding architectural role, is this study of mass rapid transit requirements for Los Angeles. This sort of project goes far beyond the "single building" concept so prevalent today in architectural practice. Transportation is probably the most important key to the design of a city. Thus, in a commission such as this, an architectural firm has a chance to establish over-all concepts of planning on a large scale, eventually affecting the lives of all who live, work, or visit in the city Chemical Engs. Fuel Engs. Hydraulics Engs. Pneumatics Engs. Instrumentation Engs. Radio Propagation Engs. Infra-Red Engs. Optics Engs. Ultrasonics Engs. Computer Engs. Wind Tunnel Engs. Pipe Line Engs. Sanitary Engs. Surveyors Technical Writers Airport Systems Engs. Missile Engs. Propulsion Engs. Servo Engs. Inertial Guidance Engs. Microwave Engs. Communications Engs.

#### **Missiles Systems**

As DMJM became more and more involved in the design of missile bases, it became apparent to the firm that it needed to provide itself with capabilities for research and development work in the fields of the missiles themselves and the related sciences. Accordingly, the firm bought an existing company, Systems Laboratories, Inc. This firm performs research, consulting work, and development work in aeronautics, nucleonics, missile systems, automatic control and computer systems, physics, chemistry, mathematics and similar fields.

#### Worldwide Operations of the Firm

While the largest percentage of the DMJM work is in the United States, the firm does projects on a worldwide basis. The foreign offices are extremely flexible. They are set up, moved, or modified in accordance with the needs of the firm at a particular time. At present, foreign offices are located in London, Bangkok, Honolulu, Saigon, Paris, Guam, Djarkata and Caracas. Each of these has a primary reason for being. The London office is of particular importance in the administration of the DMJM contract with the U.S. Third Air Force. This work is concerned with architectural and engineering coordination of all of the Third AF bases in England. The Thailand office has, as its major project, a waterwell drilling and exploration program involving some 335 wells to be drilled in an area of 40,000 square miles. This work is for the International Cooperation Administration. The Guam office is handling a large amount of military housing on the island and complete facilities for a 44,000 kilowatt-net power plant. The Caracas office is designing a submarine aqueduct for supplying water to the offshore islands of Margarita and Coche.

#### **Extra-Professional Activities**

Growth of the DMJM practice has brought with it an increasing awareness of, and participation in outside activities by the firm members and employes. Increasingly, it has become apparent that the progress of the organization, dependent as it is on efficient service to its clients, is almost equally dependent on the outside activities of the firm. So DMJM gets itself involved (as a firm and individually) in a great number of civic and other peripheral pursuits. Firm members think these activities add stature to themselves as individuals and help the firm. The activities range from membership in such groups as the American Rocket Society, to full sponsorship of a Space Science Exposition for Explorer Scouts, from A.I.A. and other professional organization activities to the establishment of firm lectureships at colleges and the making of a film designed to stimulate young people's interests in science and mathematics. Activities of this sort round out the program DMJM has set for itself. In this way, the firm and its members become more important and integral members of their communities and of society than would be possible within the strict confines of professional practice.



Judging from the comments of the three firms reported on in the preceding pages, it seems evident that their primary concern is with opportunities in fields broader than those formerly available to architects. In varying degrees, these firms are seeking work which is more complex than usual, larger than the average, and widespread geographically. They are actively engaged in types of work that did not exist a few years ago. In addition to the design and coordinating capabilities of the architects in their organizations, and the technical knowledge of their structural, mechanical, and electrical engineers, these firms offer their clients the services of a variety of specialists ranging from research and development scientists to economists and sociologists.

Certainly, there is some division of attitudes and approach between this sort of thinking and the comments which follow. In the latter, the emphasis is on improvement of the traditional capabilities of the architect, on greater development of these capabilities, within a more limited sphere. Yet the end product in each case is much the same. In the approach of the three, the result will be, perhaps, master planners who will be concerned with man's total environment; in the approach of the dissenter, the result anticipated is a better-functioning architect in the accepted sense of his role. In both approaches, the over-all result should be improved services to the public.

#### **Improvement of Present Services**

It seems unfortunate that the phrase "broadening field of service" seems to mean a different thing to each person that reads it. To our firm it does not mean that we are "extending or diversifying" or adding "new specialties." It does mean that we are trying to do a better job on the same kinds of projects that we have been doing in the past. Instead of attempting "to build an organization capable of broad design service," we're desperately trying to build an organization so well coordinated that we can do the jobs we know should be done while constantly narrowing our field of service.

Let me "get down to cases" and report an actual case history that may explain what I'm trying to say better than a general discussion. We have a major department store as a project. It is a part of a regional shopping center. Our preliminary conversations occurred four years ago. At that time we persuaded the owners, the real estate leasing agent, the mortgage brokers, the market analysis expert, and so on that the design of the shopping center must allow for this department store to be constructed in the future. Our sketches for the shopping center showed a normal three story building, with provisions for adding two stories in the department store location. The department store portion of the sketch was only an empty box indicating a very general scheme for the store.

One year ago the leasing agent and the mortgage broker, after months of effort, finally arranged a tentative financing scheme that satisfied all of the involved parties. Our only role in all of this was to vigorously defend the plan against all changes. We refused to "negotiate the lease," "comment on markets," or "argue costs." We're conscious of these factors and must have general knowledge of them, but we feel we must resolutely stay within our own role as architects. We can't reduce the parking area to allow the owner more building area; we can't switch the truck service to reduce tenant costs and thereby wreck the careful separation of store service and customer circulation; we cannot argue the question of the elimination of the third floor household departments because the "area market has moved from a new buyer base to a replacement base." I think my point is clear—we do not try to be all things to all people. We retain our own identity, stay within our own field. We may be referees in some ways; we may have broadened our knowledge of the other fields of activity concerned in this project but we have by no means *entered* these other fields.

When the actual design of the building finally began, we first spent many hours discussing the departments with the fixture layout and interior designer. Here again we broadened our knowledge of the subject so we could talk intelligently with the interior designer, but we had no intention of "taking over."

Next we had a job conference with the architectural chief draftsman, assigned job captain, mechanical department head, electrical, plumbing and air conditioning designers, structural engineer, etc. Our main purpose was to coordinate these matters at the beginning. Too often the structural engineer says "You draw it up and we'll find some way to hold it together" or the air conditioning engineer says "Please get the building on paper, beams and all, and I'll find some way to get the ducts in." Again, I must point out that we find it a fascinating and difficult enough job to do this coordination properly, just using the old familiar ways without trying to strike off toward new and uncharted seas. Having come to some preliminary conclusions, we then reviewed the whole problem with the tenant's organization, the store maintenance man, the mechanical and electrical men, their chief architect, the fixture layout designer, and, for good measure, several department merchandisers. As we talked with each of these men, specialists in their fields, being careful to stay within the limits of their respective parts of the problem, we may have been referees, with general knowledge of the subjects, but we did not attempt to argue such things as the virtue of an incinerator vs baled waste.

By this time we had a well defined building program. The general contractor (there is a negotiated contract) gave us a memo in which he pointed out those things that would or would not fit into the budgets. Together with the tenant and owner, we adjusted the drawings and outline specifications and finally proceeded with working drawings. After many further minor adjustments, four years after we had our first meetings, the building construction was finally begun.

I have taken so many words to describe a perfectly ordinary, normal project in order to impress you with the fact that I feel certain our future as architects lies not in finding new worlds to conquer but rather in finding the best possible ways to cope with the complications of our well known role. I admit this may not be as exciting as "out of the ordinary" projects, but this is really what we are doing and is our own "Image of the Architect."

> Clinton Gamble, Gamble, Pownall & Gilroy, Architects

# MODERN CHURCHES IN POSTWAR FRANCE

by Peter Hammond

While most architects are familiar with the chapels by Matisse at Vence and Le Corbusier at Ronchamp, not much is known of the vast French program of new church building, reconstruction and restoration since 1950. In this article the Reverend Peter Hammond, author and member of England's *New Churches Research Group*, presents some of the best examples of this current development. In France, as in many other countries of Western Europe, the decade just ended has been a period of widespread activity in the field of church architecture. Since the early fifties, a vast program of reconstruction has been carried out, and hundreds of new churches have been built to replace those destroyed during the war: particularly in the great seaports and industrial centers, and in areas such as the region around Caen, where the destruction was exceptionally severe. Many other churches have been more or less drastically remodeled or restored, while the liturgical movement has inspired a nation-wide épuration des églises the like of which has not been seen since the time of Viollet-le-Duc. During the last year or two, the focus of activity has begun to shift from reconstruction and restoration to the provision of new churches for the densely populated suburbs of the great cities and the vast new housing developments around them. Some extremely interesting work has already been carried out in this field. There is today, what there was not as recently as ten years ago, a substantial body of modern church architecture in France which will richly repay study. With the exception of a few chapels which have been enthusiastically, if not always critically, acclaimed on both sides of the Atlantic, little of this work has yet attracted serious notice in other countries.

In 1949, there was only one modern church of any real significance in the whole of France: Auguste Perret's chef d'oeuvre at Le Raincy, completed as long ago as 1923. Apart from Le Corbusier, who had made few disciples in the land of his adoption, French architecture in general was in a bad way. The modern movement had still to make any deep impression on the dominant late-nineteenth century Beaux Arts tradition of reinforced concrete construction. An architect commissioned to build a church would almost inevitably view his task as one of producing "a fine building," conceived in pictorial rather than functional terms. In France, architecture was still emphatically a fine art. By the late forties, on the other hand, there existed in France an extremely lively school of religious art, which had already done something to divert attention from the architectural sterility of some of the many churches built during the thirties. The so-called appel aux maîtres had recently led to the transformation of a somewhat undistinguished pre-war church text continued on page 197 French Churches: Sacré Coeur, Audincourt. M. Novarina, architect

> The most notable feature of this church is a detached baptistery, placed to the north of the building and connected with it by a short passage. Baptistery and passage are glazed from floor to ceiling with panels of glass slabs set in cement. The glass was designed by Jean Bazaine, who was also responsible for the great mosaic over the entrance to the church, and was executed by Jean Barillet. The font, the form of which strikingly expresses its function as the womb of rebirth, was carved from a single block of Volvic lava by the sculptor Etienne Martin

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The church was completed in 1951. The U-shaped plan, large open porch and unbroken band of windows are reminiscent of Fritz Metzger's church of St. Charles Borromeo, at Lucerne, built eighteen years earlier. The mosaic over the entrance to the church is an abstract composition in which the theme of the five wounds of Christ is interwoven with another taken from the prophet Isaiah: 'With joy you shall draw water out of the wells of salvation.' The mosaic was executed in the Gaudin atelier from a design by Bazaine.



The altar, as in so many recent French churches, is a simple table, freestanding to permit celebration facing the people. Behind the altar, and screening the entrance to the sacristy and crypt, is a tapestry designed by Fernand Léger, who was also responsible for the seventeen panels of glass slabs set in cement which stretch round three sides of the church. The subject-matter of the window immediately behind the altar other windows is drawn from the Passion narrative in the Gospels. Below the sanctuary is a crypt-chapel, where the sacrament is reserved. The glass in this chapel is by Jean Le Moal. The choir and organ are placed in a gallery at the west end of the church



at Assy by a group of well-known artists which included Léger, Bazaine, Rouault, Lurçat, Braque, Bonnard, Matisse and Richier.

This renewal of sacred art has proved something of a mixed blessing for French church architecture of the fifties. While it has given rise to some outstanding achievements, particularly where stainedglass is concerned, it has also tended to obscure the fundamental problem of modern ecclesiastical architecture, which is primarily a matter of planning and spatial organization. It is significant that the chief interest of most of the churches of the early fifties lies in the works of art which they contain. Novarina's church at Audincourt, near Belfort (this page), and Matisse's chapel for a Dominican community at Vence-both completed in 1951-are landmarks in the creation of a sacred art for our time: their architectural significance is negligible. Audincourt owes almost everything to the glass, mosaic and tapestry of Léger and Bazaine. The other outstanding success of the first half of the decade, the restoration of a church at Les Bréseux in the Franche-Comté, is again due to a distinguished painter, Alfred Manessier. The pilgrimage chapel at Ronchamp, consecrated in 1955, is the first church built in France since Le Raincy which reasserts conclusively the primacy of architecture visà-vis the plastic arts. Once again the plan, the molding of space, the spirit of order and proportion come into their own. There had been nothing like this for a generation, and the only comparable achievement in French church architecture of the last five years is Le Corbusier's still-unfinished Couvent d'Etudes at Eveux, a few miles west of Lyon (page 198).

Having said this, I would add that there are several recent churches which, if they will from the point of view of sheer architectural quality scarcely bear comparison with those of Le Corbusier, are in some ways of even greater importance. I have in mind particularly the work of three architects: André Le Donné, Pierre Prunet and Rainer Senn. The problem that these architects have been concerned with is one of creating a building for the activities, both liturgical and extra-liturgical, of a echoes that of Bazaine's mosaic in the porch; that of the parochial community. Both of Le Corbusier's two churches have a most unusual program. Ronchamp is not a parish church; its program is virtually unique. This elementary fact has been ignored with text continued on page 200

### French Churches: Dominican Priory, Eveux. Le Corbusier, architect

Le Corbusier's Couvent d'Etudes at Eveux, known as La Tourette, is near L'Arbresle (20 miles west of Lyon on the road to Roanne). The priory is built on a wooded hillside, sloping steeply from east to west. Rectangular plan with an inner court spanned by glazed cloisters. Main entrance on the east side. Corridors, lighted by a continuous glazed strip at head height, extend round three sides of the inner court and give access to the 120 cells which occupy the two upper floors. The cells look outwards and each has its own balcony. Below the cells are the various communal rooms; the domestic offices, heating plant etc. are on the ground floor. The refectory, chapter house, library etc. are lighted by great plates of corrugated glass divided by vertical strips spaced at irregular intervals. Construction is of béton brut throughout. The church occupies the whole of the northern wing. It is rectangular in plan and the altar will stand near the center of the building, between the monastic choir and a slightly smaller space for the laity. Within the inner court there is a smaller chapel J. Caps







## Dominican Priory, Lille. Pinsard and Hutchison, architects

The Dominican priory at Lille is situated in an extensive walled garden in the Avenue Salomon. It is still unfinished, though the church and the principal block containing cells and public rooms were completed in 1958. The architects have adopted the economic methods of construction used in industrial buildings of the region: crossbearing brick walls, flat brick arches, and lightweight concrete slabs; reinforced concrete is used for larger spans





## French Churches: Dominican Priory, Lille

ludicrous results by a whole tribe of lesser architects, who, like so many jackdaws, have carried off from Le Corbusier's isolated hilltop site odd scraps and details which are as meaningless when displayed in an alien environment as they are admirable in their proper context. Ronchamp is an incomparable achievement: it is also unrepeatable. The priory at Eveux does invite comparison with several other recent buildings for religious communities with a similar program. Another Dominican priory, on the outskirts of Lille, where an English architect, Neil Hutchison, has collaborated with Pierre Pinsard, has some sterling qualities; the church is among the most interesting built in France within the last ten years (page 199). A Franciscan friary at Orsay, near Paris, also deserves an honorable mention. Another very remarkable church with a rather special program is the chapel of St. Teresa at Hem, near Roubaix, completed in 1958, where, thanks to the generosity of a Lille industrialist and patron of modern art, Philippe Leclercq, the architect and his team of artists found themselves in the unusual position of not having to worry about financial considerations (page 202). Hermann Baur and Alfred Manessier have together created a building of rare quality, a true union of Swiss architecture and French sacred art, which, all else apart, provides an excellent example of the possibilities of stained-glass and mosaic as integral elements in the total architectural conception. There is no longer, as there was at Assy and to a slightly lesser extent at Audincourt, any question of the architect taking second place, or of architecture serving merely as a frame for the work of a distinguished artist.

But it is when one turns to the best of the parish churches built during the last five years that one becomes aware of the progress that has been made in France since the late forties. It is here that the fruits of several years of continuous debate between architects, theologians, liturgists, pastors and sociologists are most clearly discernible. The churches of Le Donné, Prunet and Senn all reveal a new emphasis on the liturgical function of the church building as a house for the corporate worship of a community: a shelter for a congregation gathered around an altar, rather than an autonomous architectural embodiment of religious sentiment or cosmic moods. They vividly express, in terms of plantext continued on page 208



René-Jacques

Right: brickwork and concrete are left exposed; the floor is of sandstone and all joinery work is in sipo, a French colonial timber, painted where exposed to the industrial atmosphere. The glass in the church was designed and executed by Gérard Lardeur. The vault is of *béton brut*. Throughout the buildings the emphasis has been placed on poverty, simplicity, truth. The open plan provides the maximum of light and space in the heart of this heavily industrialised region. The setting is in sharp contrast to the wooded hills which surround Le Corbusier's compact, outward-looking enclosure



French Churches: Ste. Thérèse de l'Enfant Jésus et de la Ste. Face, Hem. Hermann Baur, architect

> A small chapel in a village between Roubaix and Croix, consecrated in 1958. It was designed by the Swiss architect Hermann Baur and financed by a Lille industrialist, Philippe Leclercq. The chapel is set back from the road beyond a spacious *parvis* flanked by whitewashed cottages. Construction is of brick and there is a detached bell-tower. The north and south walls consist entirely of glass slabs set in concrete. The glass was designed by Alfred Manessier





The chapel has an asymmetrical rectangular plan with a sacrament-chapel on the north side. The choir is placed on the north of the sanctuary. The ceiling is of wood and the chapel is paved with dark gray stone from the Pyrenees. The tapestry which hangs behind the altar was woven by the Plasse-Le Caisne family from a painting by Georges Rouault. The altar is free-standing; the cross, tabernacle and communion rail are of wrought iron

Between the aluminum doors is a semi-circular niche containing the *bénitier*, designed by Dodeigne, a young sculptor from Roubaix, who also carved the statue of Ste. Térèse which stands to the south of the sanctuary. Above the entrance to the chapel there is a splendid mosaic by Manessier. The glass, by the same artist, is among the finest to be seen in France or anywhere else, and is one of the outstanding successes of the last decade





Tabernacle and crucifix by Dodeigne

## French Churches: Sacré Coeur, Mulhouse. A. Le Donné and M. Patout, architects

A large church, capable of accommodating 1000 people, built on a wooded site in the Rue de Verdun and incorporating an existing chapel (too small to meet the needs of a growing population) and a presbytery. The white marble altar and the narrow band of stained glass in the nave are by Léon Zack; the glass in the lantern-tower is by Janie Pichard; the mosaic pavement of the sanctuary by Irène Zack and the engraved stone in the porch by Véronique Filozof







Narthex and baptistery



Sanctuary defined by light from tower windows



Altar detail









The apse is sheathed in *vercuivre*—a thin layer of copper on a glass and bitumen base. Below the church there is generous accommodation for parochial activities, incuding rooms for meetings and classes, and offices and apartments for the two priests on the staff of this newly created parish

## French Churches: St. Claire, Porte de Pantin, Paris. A. Le Donné, architect

A parochial center completed in 1959. The altar is placed in a spacious apsidal sanctuary lighted by a vast semi-circular window. The square nave provides seating for a congregation of 700. Like the church at Mulhouse, this is a building of extreme simplicity. The walls are painted white and the structure can be clearly read, internally and externally. The church is paved with cement slabs; costly materials are used only for the altar (designed by Léon and Irène Zack). This is plainly a space to contain an altar and a congregation. It is designed from the altar outwards; the exterior is simply the expression of the interior +

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ning and spatial relationships, the recovery within the French Church of a full understanding of the meaning of the Church, its liturgy, and its function in the contemporary world. Just as the medieval cathedral was the outward sign of a particular relationship between the Christian community and society at large, so these buildings are essentially churches for *un pays de mission*, for parishes which are first and foremost *communautés missionaires*.

Of the three architects whom I have mentioned, only one, André Le Donné, has yet been given the opportunity to produce a substantial body of work; though Pierre Prunet and Rainer Senn both have several churches now in the course of construction or at the project stage. Le Donné's church at Marienau-lès-Forbach, in the diocese of Metz, which was finished in 1956, already displays the characteristics discernible in his more recent churches: a preoccupation with the plan, the possibilities of extreme simplicity, the careful control of light for purposes of spatial definition, and the use of a few works of art of real quality which serve above all to underline the liturgical function of the various parts of the building. What Le Donné is not concerned to do is to build a Sainte-Chapelle in reinforced concrete, or to array a once potent but no longer valid symbol in "Contemporary" fancy dress. His characteristic preoccupations are strikingly expressed in two churches completed in 1959-one at Mulhouse (page 204), the other in Paris (page 206) -which will almost certainly rank among the outstanding achievements of the last decade.

Pierre Prunet, whose large square church of St. Anne at Nancy is now nearing completion (page 209), has also been concerned to express, by means of the physical relationship between the ministers at the altar and the rest of the congregation, the theological truth that *all* are active participants in the eucharistic liturgy. At Nancy he has used a square plan, with the altar and font set on a diagonal axis. In another unfinished church, at Auxerre (this page), he has established a similar relationship between altar and people within a circular building. All these churches by Prunet and Le Donné, like the majority of recent churches in France, are in fact parochial centers rather than simple churches.

In the churches and projects of Rainer Senn, a text continued on page 211



Duprat

Here the architect has adopted a circular *parti* which makes it possible for the whole congregation to be gathered around the altar within a space unobstructed by columns, while the sanctuary is nevertheless clearly defined within the volume of the church as a whole. This church is now under construction and should be completed in 1961


Main entrance façade

## Ste. Anne de Beauregard, Nancy. Pierre Prunet, architect



A large square church with a carefully considered program. It will be completed this summer. The altar and font are placed on a diagonal axis; the choir is seated to the east of the sanctuary, which is defined by means of light. Chapels, sacristies, confessionals etc. are placed beneath a gallery behind the congregation, where they do not obscure the primary function of the church for the eucharistic assembly



Model

*Left*: model. The church is situated on the western side of Nancy, where the main road from Toul and Paris enters the town. It is built on two levels, with the various parochial offices on the ground floor. The building to the right of the principal entrance is the presbytery French Churches: Four by Rainer Senn



Our Lady of Lourdes, Pontarlier. These churches by Rainer Senn all reveal the same preoccupation with the centralized plan, based on a square, with economy, simplicity of construction and the carefully studied use of light. The recently completed church at Pontarlier, like the wooden chapel near Nice (see below), is based on a square plan with the altar set on a diagonal axis. Construction is of steel, the principal feature being a pyramid of four massive girders. The roof is tilted up along the axis of the building, from the entrance to its highest point above the altar. The sanctuary is defined by the light from a large triangular window. The whole of the steel structure is visible within the church. The timber roof is covered externally with copper, and a bell will eventually be hung just below the apex of the structure. Below the east end of the church, which stands on a sloping site, are the various parochial offices. The total cost of the church was in the region of \$35,000







Chapel at Saint-André de Nice. A wooden chapel built for the Companions of Emmaus, one of the Abbé Pierre's communities of rag pickers, in 1957. Four timber beams span a square and form a pyramid. The altar is free-standing on a diagonal axis. The main source of light is a central lantern, though there are also irregularly spaced apertures in the plank walls through which the sunlight filters into the building. The roof is covered with bituminied paper. An earlier project for a slightly larger chapel, with a sacristy behind the altar (as at Pontarlier), was based on a pentagonal plan





Chapel at Ferrette. A project of 1958 for a timber chapel, to accommodate 250 people. A square plan with a diagonal axis, and a carefully controlled use of light for purposes of spatial definition. An umbrella-like structure, with a single central support for the pyramid of four beams

Swiss architect who is still in his twenties, the emphasis on extreme economy and simplicity of construction is particularly marked. His first ecclesiastical building, which dates from 1957, is a square timber chapel for one of the Abbé Pierre's communities of rag-pickers (page 210). It cost approximately \$150 and was built in two weeks by the architect himself and a couple of assistants. Senn has now devoted three years of intensive research and experiment to the problem of designing inexpensive structures which can be built sufficiently rapidly to enable the Church to keep pace with new housing developments. His church at Pontarlier, in the diocese of Besançon, which was completed last September, is a building of quite exceptional interest (page 210). The steel pyramid, which forms the basic structure, was erected in two days, and the church has cost far less than what is customary. Senn has since produced a whole series of projects for new churches in France, ranging from a timber chapel for the Ecole Saint-Exupéry, at Versailles to large parish church which is to be built a at Villejuif, in Paris. Another project, for a prefabricated church large enough to accommodate 800 people, may well provide an answer to one of the gravest problems now facing several urban dioceses, where, as is now commonly recognized, it is urgently necessary to multiply parochial centers on a hitherto unimagined scale if the parish is again to become an effective instrument of pastoral and missionary strategy (this page). There is nothing new about the idea of the église provisoire: what is new is the combination of rigorous economy and high architectural quality shown in the churches of this young architect. Senn's work may well prove to be something of a landmark in the development of modern church architecture-and not in France alone. Another church completed last year, which reflects the growing demand for economy and simplicity, is a timber building in the Rue de Chamrousse at Grenoble (page 213). The next two or three years may well see some further experiments of considerable interest in this field to judge by several recent projects for prototype churches which exploit the possibilities of standardization and prefabrication.

The most striking sign of the growing influence of the liturgical movement on church building in France is the great variety of plans now commonly *text continued on page 213* 



Senn has remarked: "My various projects are based on the same fundamental idea; the church building is the place where a community is formed: a community having a common center. What preoccupies me is the assembly orientated towards this center. This is shown, on the one hand, by the disposition of the seating; on the other, by the way in which I have given prominence to the center spatially and by means of light . . ."



Project for a prefabricated church. A large, inexpensive, easily built prototype church, which could be multiplied with local variations, in the densely populated suburbs and in new housing developments. Steel frame, laminated wood panel ceilings and aluminum roofing are planned. Estimated cost of church, which could provide seating for 800 people, is approximately \$60,000, including furnishings. The structure can be adapted to provide a space containing 520 seats for the Sunday liturgy, together with a small week-day chapel seating 144, and two additional rooms





## French Churches: Ste. Agnès, Fontaine-les-Grès Michel Marot, architect

A small church for a village near Troyes, where the charact of the site led the architect to adopt a triangular layout. The triangular spire, immediately above the altar, provides the main source of light. There are secondary altars in the twe angles on the base of the triangle, the baptistery is to the right of the entrance, and the large porch contains a galler for the singers. The wooden detailing of this church is of quality rarely found in France



CONFESS ACRISTY

Plan, St. Jacques

A wooden church for a newly-formed parish which reflects the same preoccupations as are evident in the churches of Rainer Senn. No attempt has been made to dominate the high blocks of flats which surround the church. This is essentially a room for a communal action; the congregation is gathered round the Lord's table which gives the building its *raison d'être*. The principal light-source is immediately above the free-standing altar



adopted for a new church. Long narrow churches with the altar at the east end are becoming increasingly rare. Instead, we find architects experimenting with alternative types of layout which stress the fact that the eucharist is a communal act, not something performed by professional actors on behalf of a passive congregation. In many of the churches built since about 1955, the seats for the laity are placed on three sides of the sanctuary, while the celebrant and his assistants face the people across a free-standing altar. There are a few recent examples of circular or octagonal churches with a central altar, as at Holtzwihr, near Colmar. Other plans based on the square, the ellipse, the circle, the trapezoid and the hexagon are now common. One of the most successful village churches of the last decade is Michel Marot's triangular church of St. Agnes at Fontaine-les-Grès, a few miles north of Troyes, where the peculiarities of the site led the architect to adopt a layout which is unique in France (page 212).

There is one further category of new churches which suggests preoccupations of a rather different kind from those I have mentioned. It includes several of the most ambitious buildings of the decade. The most spectacular of these churches is Auguste Perret's St. Joseph du Havre, which dominates the reconstructed harbor area of the town. This extraordinary building is apparently a development of a rejected project of the twenties. Today, in spite of its immense technical virtuosity, it is something of an anachronism. But the desire to exploit the potentialities of new structural systems in the creation of familiar effects has still to be reckoned with in France-at any rate when the necessary resources are available. Guillaume Gillet's remarkable church at Royan seems to me to belong to this category (page 214). From the point of view of pure structure this is a fascinating building, but I do not think it adds anything of importance to the debate which has been going on since the twenties; the real problems of modern church architecture are of a different order altogether. As Paul Winninger has remarked, in an important book Construire des Eglises, it may be shocking to ecclesiastical sensibilities to multiply prefabricated chapels within ten kilometers of Notre-Dame; the fact remains that those ten kilometers "represent the whole distance between the beginning and the end of a world." The text continued on page 216



French Churches: Notre Dame de Royan. Guillaume Gillet, architect

A spectacular church which towers above the reconstructed sea-front of this bombed resort on the Gironde estuary, like Perret's church of St. Joseph at Le Havre. The church will ultimately form the dominant element in a complex of buildings comprising a complete parochial center and including a school and a presbytery. To the east of the church an extensive *parvis* makes it possible for mass to be celebrated at an outside altar during the summer months, when the town is crowded with visitors. The tower at the east end rises to a height of 185 above the *parvis* 

The architect and his consultant engineer, René Sarger, have sought to exploit the possibilities for church building of a type of structure first evolved by a French engineer, the late Bernard Lafaille, for industrial use: in particular for the locomotive sheds of the French railways. This consists of a series of V-shaped members in reinforced concrete, the intervening spaces being glazed to give a very strong vertical emphasis, both externally and internally



Notre Dame de Royan is one of several recent churches in France the plan of which is based on an ellipse, orientated on its long axis. The site slopes fairly steeply from west to east, and from the main entrance at the west end one descends to the nave by a broad flight of steps. The church forms a vast oval space, 115 high and completely unobstructed by columns. Around the church there is a wide processional way. To the south of the sanctuary there is a detached baptistery







cathedral symbol is irrelevant to a Church which finds itself increasingly in a missionary situation vis-a-vis the community as a whole. We need an entirely different type of building, the form of which must spring from the liturgical, pastoral and missionary demands of our own generation.

No account, however cursory, of what has been accomplished in France during the last ten years can ignore the immense work of remodeling and restoration carried out since 1950, though it is impossible in the space of a brief article to do more than mention a handful of outstandingly successful examples. I have already referred to Manessier's glass at Les Bréseux, which is among the finest in Europe. The same artist has recently completed another splendid series of windows for an exemplary reconstruction of a medieval chapel at Pouldu, in Brittany. André Le Donné's remarkable transformation of the church of our Lady of the Rosary at Le Havre (page 218) shows what can be done, even with unpromising nineteenth century material. At La Besace, in the Ardennes, a modern nave and baptistery have been added to a twelfth-century chancel (page 217). The furnishings and glass by Pierre Chevalley are typical of a great deal of work now being done in France, much of it by young and comparatively unknown artists and craftsmen. A group known as Les Artisans du Sanctuaire, founded in 1952 by François Basseville, has been responsible for some admirable restorations during the last few years, particularly in Alsace. Among established artists, Léon Zack and Maurice Rocher have made some impressive contributions to the restoration of old churches, as well as to the building of new ones; Georges Braque has designed some windows for a chapel at Varengeville; and, improbable as it may seem, even Jean Cocteau has now been pressed into service as a mural-painter. Just across the Swiss frontier from Audincourt, the church at Courfaivre, near Delémont, now contains an important series of windows by Léger (page 217), as well as a Lurcat tapestry. The Salon d'Art Sacré, held annually in Paris, continues to provide abundant evidence of the renewed vigor of French sacred art. What is now also clear, as it was not ten years ago, is that French church architecture is beginning to show comparable signs of renewal. The next decade may well prove remarkably interesting.



Window by Léger in the church at Courfaivre



Glass by Pierre Chevalley in the twelfth-century chancel at La Besace

Modern baptistry at La Besace



Agnes Varda

La Besace. A good example of the restoration of a village church, the eastern part of which dates from the 12th century. To this has been added a new nave and tower by the architects Eugène and Claude Scherrer. The whole church has been refurnished by Pierre Chevalley. The altar and font are of black granite, the tabernacle and fontcover of lead, the altar cross of wrought iron. The chancel windows are filled with unassertive modern glass which blends admirably with the medieval architecture. The whole church has been repaved in sandstone

*Courfaivre*. In 1953-54, an 18th century village church a few miles from Audincourt, across the Swiss frontier, was enlarged and restored by a local architect, Jeanne Bueche. In addition to a tapestry by Lurçat, the church contains a considerable quantity of glass designed by Fernand Léger. In the nave there are ten panels which form a continuous band on either side. *The Marriage at Cana* (see opposite page) is on the south side of the altar







French Church Restorations





Chevojón

Our Lady of the Rosary, Le Havre. André Le Donné's spectacular transformation of a damaged neo-Gothic church. The existing shell has been re-roofed with a simple reinforced concrete vault, and the orientation of the building reversed so that one descends into the church from the sanctuary

## LIGHTING FOR ARCHITECTURE

Ask any architect what's wrong with architectural lighting and you'll hear something like this: "Engineers are insensitive to design and wedded to their handbooks." Or "Manufacturers don't supply the right kinds of equipment." 
Then come the rebuttals. "Architects don't know what they want." "Engineers are not supposed to be architectural designers: their job is to execute the architect's designs." "Manufacturers already produce an enormous variety of sources, and will add to their lines any other item there is a demand for." So there the lighting problem stands, shifting in focus according to who defines it. We feel it's time to stop discussing it and start solving it. We also feel that the initiative must come from the architect. Only he can assume the responsibility for the building as a whole—for the lighting no less than for the structure or the space itself. If he knows the principles of lighting well enough to clearly define his lighting objectives in the context of the total building concept, and to clearly convey them to the engineer who will execute them, he need not be cowed by the dicta of the handbooks. He can rely confidently on his own design sense, which may, in many situations, be more applicable than a too strict adherence to standards that consider "how much" but seldom "how" and almost never "why." He can even break the rules—but only if he understands the principles on which they are based, and the range of their validity. The four-part series that begins in this issue will give him that understanding.

#### LIGHTING:

Too often, the answer is "accident," but as this article points out, it need not be. The light we see is also seen by us, and it produces predictable visual effects. This

#### THE LIGHTING PROGRAM:

By outlining the many "dimensions" of light that must be understood if natural and artificial lighting are to be integrated with the building design, this article lays the

#### THE LIGHTING SYSTEM:

With the stage thus set, this article translates the program requirements into concrete terms. A practical guide for achieving desirable brightness patterns as well as re-

#### THE LIGHTING DESIGN:

This casebook presents, through specific examples, a suggested procedure for executing the lighting design from start to finish. It shows how to approach the problem; discussion shows how these effects can be "designed" to achieve positive goals—or allowed to "just happen," with results that may be as unfortunate as they are unexpected.

#### THE RIGHT LIGHT IN THE RIGHT PLACE

**DESIGN OR ACCIDENT?** 

groundwork for programming lighting that will not only meet minimum seeing requirements but will also assure visual comfort in viewing our tasks and our surroundings.

#### FIXTURE FACTS AND BUILDING FACTORS

quired quantities of light, it discusses the characteristics of light sources in terms of their relationships to room size and shapes, materials, and structural features.

#### PROBLEM, PROGRAM AND PROCEDURE

how to set up the program; how to use study sketches in evaluating alternate solutions; and how to represent the final lighting design in meaningful graphic terms.

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# Lighting: Design or Accident?

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The years since Edison have brought architects, quite literally, more light than they know what to do with. After centuries of painstakingly and often ingeniously manipulating our buildings to suit the vagaries of natural light, we find, paradoxically, that we have very little aptitude for manipulating our new wealth of artificial light to suit the vagaries of our buildings.

When all buildings were designed around a single, fixed light source, the sun, the difference between great architecture and mere building could be measured to a great degree by the skill with which that source was used. The shapes and sizes of the rooms, and the materials and details in them, were determined largely by the appearance the room would take on when rendered by daylight. Light was not always simply applied to structural innovations: more often, the structures themselves were de-

## **a.** LIGHT TO SEE BY: ENOUGH LIGHT

#### FOR THE PURPOSE

The first step in achieving positive lighting is, quite logically, to provide *enough* light. This meets the basic physical requirement: light to see by as distinguished from light you see.

The difference? When you turn on headlights of so much candlepower, you get a proportionate number of footcandles on the road ahead enough to see a man walking across it. If the road is black and there is no man, you actually see no light at all on the road itself. If the road is white, you have the same amount of light to see by, but you also see the light from the headlights reflected off the white pavement.

The physical requirement, then, calls for enough light, without distraction and with appropriate direction and diffusion, to enable the building occupant to do the work expected of him. This is a fairly simple requirement, but within its general framework, the precise amount and placement of light (not fixtures) may vary widely according to the demands of the task.

For desk work in classrooms or general offices, for example, the requirement would be for a relatively high horizontal footcandle level throughout the room—other factors being equal, as high as can be afforded. The light should be relatively diffuse, with minimum distraction from the light sources. The reduced visibility resulting from reflected glare, which is a function of the relative position and brightness of the source, should also be considered.

The same requirements would apply to work at an individual desk in the home study or in a private office, but—and it is an important "but" they need apply only to a limited area of the room. It would be wasteful at best to light every square foot of a large executive office to the level required to read a fourth carbon.

For most visual tasks, the light should be directed on a horizontal work plane, but not for all of them. Looking at pictures in a museum or gallery calls for illumination of vertical planes, and a uniformly lighted floor is of little help. The same is true of shaving or applying makeup at a mirror, where the need is for a relatively high level of illumination from the front. In this case, uniformity is more important than quantity.

If we consider the light needed to see other cars and objects while driving through an underpass or tunnel, we begin to see how factors other than the amount of light provided can influence the ease with which we see. In a tunnel, as in a corridor, the actual seeing requirement is minimal —only enough light to see large objects is really essential. But the eye's adjustment from daylight to the lower light level in the tunnel becomes a factor. The light level at the tunnel entrance may have to be higher than would otherwise be strictly

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veloped to make possible desired lighting and spatial effects.

Now, finally, we have artificial sources which are not only easier to control than daylight, but can also light interior spaces far more brightly. Theoretically, the possibilities for imaginative lighting are limitless. And, theoretically, our ability to create great architecture should have increased in proportion to the availability of more, and more versatile, artificial sources. Yet we have scarcely begun to scratch the surface of those "limitless" possibilities.

In a very real sense, architectural lighting is suffering from an embarrassment of riches. There are too many choices—bad as well as good. First, there are the basic choices between the various possible patterns of light and the endless ways in which they and the building can relate to and modify each other. Then there remain the choices between the thousands of lighting fixtures with which these patterns can be produced.

Small wonder that architects yearn for the commercial availability of techniques like electroluminescence, which they feel will eliminate the choices and let the building light itself. But buildings will not be selfilluminating in the near future, and even when they become so, the choices of lighting patterns must still be made. They can be made more logically if we remember that the selection of a lighting system is a basic design choice, and that as in any other kind of broad planning-city planning, foreign policy or whatever -there must be an orderly process of decision making.

To get the full potential from artificial lighting in a building, decisions must first be made on the desired patterns of light and on schematic ways of achieving them. Then decisions can be made on actual equipment and other design details. But the details must follow the design, just as in any other phase of architecture. If we start with the electrical layout and the selection of lighting fixtures, there is no design at all, only details, and the results good or bad—are accidental.

In at least one aspect of lighting design, this is clearly understood. Although windows are basically light sources, the designer is concerned first with their size and placement in relation to the use, surfaces, volume and structure of a room, and only then with the glass area (or luminous surface) and the sash details. No architect allows an engineer's apprentice to select the windows for a room and arbitrarily place them "eight feet on center." But he often allows the lighting-which will in the end determine the total character of the room-to be "designed" in just that way.

necessary (e.g., at night), and bright walls may become more important than any number of footcandles on a dark pavement—particularly when the psychological factor of reducing claustrophobia is considered. Thus, as is often the case, the light that you see begins to take precedence over the light you see by.



## **b.** THE LIGHT YOU SEE: LIGHTING FOR MOOD

#### OR ATMOSPHERE

Although the lighting designer's first goal is to provide enough light to see by, he must also provide it in such a way that the light seen encourages the occupants of a room to use the space as intended. Since it is based on the human reaction to the light patterns set up, and their relationship to the colors, textures and shapes of the room surfaces, this might be called the psychological requirement for lighting.

One of its more important aspects is the establishment of a mood appropriate to the purpose for which a space is to be used. Because "mood" is the result of a subjective response, it is difficult to define in how-to-do-it terms. It can, however, be planned

## C. THE LIGHT YOU SEE: LIGHTING FOR EMPHASIS OR TO DIRECT MOVEMENT

Almost as widely applicable as light's ability to define the character of a space is its ability to direct attention, and thus, if movement is called for, to guide that movement. We are all familiar with this psychological effect of light, though we may not always recognize it in an architectural context: the "name in lights" on a theater marquee is more obviously designed to attract attention than is a brightly lighted store.

Orderly rows of street lights clearly guide movement down a dark street, while a haphazard arrangement of lights in a parking lot can cause traffic jams with only minimal help from drivers. However, it should not be assumed that linear rows of light are necessarily the best solution. At a gas station their directing qualities may be very useful for aligning the flow of traffic alongside the pumps-the light directs the customer without requiring of him a conscious decision on where to drive. On the other hand, many architects object to a linear sequence of lights down a long corridor, because here the psychological effect is undesirable-one should feel free to meander.

within fairly close limits if it is consciously considered as one of the lighting objectives.

We know for example that the colors, the ornate patterns, and the movement of the lights in an amusement park are major factors in producing the desired air of excitement and gaiety—and that New York's Times Square is a very different place at midnight than at noon.

We know also that high contrast lighting has a "feel" different from that of low contrast lighting; that even, glare-free, comfortable lighting may produce an atmosphere of efficiency or of luxury; and that harsh glaring lighting, which would be uncomfortable in a factory or cheap in a store (where it would also communicate cheapness to the merchandise), may be highly dramatic in a theater.

This concern for establishing mood through lighting may at first glance seem applicable only to churches and night clubs, but it is equally applicable to offices and factories. Any good personnel man will confirm the fact that the desire to perform may be as important as the ability to do so.

It should also be remembered that lighting always establishes a mood whether or not the mood is planned. Colors and materials contribute of course, but even the most luxurious finishes and furnishings can be washed out or cheapened by the wrong kind of light, or made still more inviting by the right kind. No matter how cheery a hospital room may be by day, harsh lighting can make it a dreary cell by night.

Mood-setting should not be allowed to just happen. If it is not predetermined by a careful study of the lighting in relation to the other aspects of the room, any resemblance between the room as it is and the room as it was meant to be will be purely coincidental.

Although the ability of light to attract attention is often used to indicate and encourage the expected movement, there are many other cases in which only its attentiongetting ability is desired. An obvious example is an auditorium where the combination of dim house lights and bright stage lights virtually compels attention to the doings on the stage, while the stage lighting itself leads the eye through the action of the play or dance. Less dramatic but equally useful are such techniques as raising the brightness of a lobby near the elevator banks (guidance of movement is also a factor here), and highlighting the focal point of a space—a seating group, a painting, a stairway, or what have you. Certainly all store lighting is meant to direct attention to the merchandiseeven though much of it appears to have been designed to feature the lighting fixtures themselves.

In general, high brightness lighting that produces sharp contrasts and sharply defined outlines is more compelling than softly graded lighting even if the graded light increases to the same brightness. Such contrast can be highly useful in picking out objects or areas for special attention, but it can also be very distracting if the attention is drawn to the wrong places.

Knowing this, many lighting designers try assiduously to eliminate Light may be used simply to direct attention to a focal point as in the auditorium below, or it may also be used to guide movement as in the store at right where a row of lights leads passersby to the entrance. The two stores below right show why the visual emphasis of light must be carefully planned: in one, attention is drawn to the merchandise where it belongs; in the other, to the fixtures instead



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Left: Low contrast light and visual order can produce a relaxed mood; high contrast light, tautness. Right: Light can add to the excitement of a fair; but "institutionalize" a school where, at night or on cloudy days, it will fall to the floor in pools, leaving the walls and ceiling in darkness





contrast altogether. Thus they avoid the negative effect of distraction, but they also eliminate the positive effect of emphasis. In most cases, it seems more sensible to capitalize on the psychological effects of lighting than to try to eliminate them—particularly since they can't be eliminated in any case.

Even, low-contrast lighting may produce no distractions, but it certainly produces a mood—which may or may not be appropriate. A typist in a large office should, perhaps, not be distracted; a visitor will appreciate appropriate distraction while he waits in the reception room.

While mood-setting and attentiongetting and the many other psychological effects of light can never be precisely predicted or measured, the thoughtful architect or engineer can supplement his own personal observations with brightness measurements (to compare with the apparent brightness patterns experienced). With this information, he can "design" psychological effects with as much predictability as any other aspect of architectural design.

However, in thinking of psychological factors, associative reactions should be separated from reflex reactions. For example, Christmas lights would appear exciting to anyone, apart from their association with the holiday, but a reindeer would have meaning only by association.

## d. THE LIGHT YOU SEE: LIGHTING TO EXPRESS INTENDED USE

Useful as light may be in determining the mood and movements of a building's occupants, and more prosaically, in enabling them to do the work at hand, it also produces another whole set of effects which, like the psychological effects discussed earlier, are based on the human reaction to the light seen. These, however, are less functional than esthetic: they are used primarily to enhance the appearance of a building.

No one will doubt that lighting adds to or subtracts from the visual effect of a building. But the question of whether the lighting is to be a plus or a minus factor is determined as much by its relationship to the rest of the building and the ideas the architect is trying to express, as by the quality of the lighting itself.

If the architect's objective is to express the relationship between the appearance of a room and its intended uses, he may approach that end by relating the lighting to the specific activities which will be carried on within the space. Merely providing appropriate lighting for both the physical and psychological requirements of a space will usually produce such a lighting-activity relationship, for when lighting is properly related to intended uses, it also tends to reinforce their inherent character. No tricks are necessary, just a logical analysis of needs and confident provision for those needs.

If, for example, a room or a part of a room is to be used for focused group or individual activity, a feeling of intimacy can be reinforced by visually related lighting—hanging lamp, candles or spotlight at the dining table, or local lighting by the home desk or reading chair. (In general, if intimacy is desired, light patterns with maximum brightness on the lower (people) level surfaces are more effective than those with maximum brightness high in the space.)

A similar, non-residential, example is a nurses' station in a hospital corridor, a space that should be bright and cheerful, with good light on working surfaces. Provision for these requirements automatically sets the nurses' station apart from the corridor proper and defines its function—assuming of course that the corridor itself is lighted for its own special requirements. The same principle might be used to visually define the registration desk in a hotel lobby or the cashier's booth in a restaurant.

A visual relationship between lighting and intended use may be particularly effective for rooms that house more than one activity. An executive office may contain, in addition to the desk, a furniture grouping to be used for informal conferences. If appropriate lighting is provided for these different areas, the executive will enjoy a visual change of pace to match his changing activities, and the room will be far more



In the office above, light provides a change of pace between desk and conference area. In the railway station above right, it immediately locates the ticket office. But in the "loft" school right, a quest for flexibility led to the use of the same lighting in every area—in spite of their different lighting needs

## e. The light you see: Lighting to

COMPLEMENT STRUCTURE

Webster defines *complement* as "that which is required to supply a deficiency, to make perfect, or to complete a symmetrical whole." And it is in this sense that lighting makes its most vital contribution to the appearance of architecture.

If, for example, an interesting structure is important in the design concept, the architect can enlist light to define and reinforce it, by silhouetting major structural members or washing its surfaces with light.

If the object of the lighting is to emphasize unusual contours, as would be the case with folded plates and most thin shells, it should be remembered that an even wash need not be the only answer. Complete uniformity is difficult to achieve: if the execution is spotty, the attempt might better have never been made. Non-uniformity is not necessarily confusing, and if the shading follows a "natural" pattern, it may be more effective than an even wash in defining the planes of a structure. A folded plate, for example, might be best expressed by lighting that gradually decreased in brightness from the valleys to the peaks.

Negatively, it is perfectly possible to neutralize the effect of an interesting structural pattern by superimposing on it a contradictory pattern of light. Perhaps the most common example of this is the arbitrary placement of fixtures so many feet on center, without regard for the shape of the ceiling they are affixed to. The error may be more glaring if lamps are hung perpendicular to the ridges of a folded plate, but the principle is the same *continued on following page*  The form of the shell at right, already well defined by indirect lighting, is further emphasized by luminous elements between its segments. The structure of the roof at far right is also clearly expressed by a graded wash. In contrast, a superimposed light pattern dominates the curves of the shell below; spotty execution mars the definition of the folded plate roof below right



expressive of the work carried on within it than it would be if it were lighted with, for example, a luminous ceiling. (An ever-present bright ceiling might also be a much greater distraction than a planned contrast in lighting patterns.) Similarly, the over-all lighting in a classroom may be supplemented by display lighting over bulletin boards and chalkboards.

At the opposite extreme is the frequent failure not only to relate the lighting to different activities within a single space, but to different activities from room to room. In an office building, for example, the same lighting (a luminous ceiling, say) is often used throughout, without regard for the different uses of the various spaces. Lighting appropriate for the general offices is assumed to be equally appropriate for private offices; for corridors, where footcandle requirements are minimal; and for the cafeteria, where cheer and relaxation are called for rather than efficient "working" light.



## e. LIGHTING TO

**COMPLEMENT STRUCTURE** (cont.) if the "ridges" are only exposed joists in a classroom.

It is also perfectly possible to use lighting to hide a structure altogether. Beams, pipes, and miscellaneous mechanical equipment are often made "invisible" by painting them and the ceiling in dark colors and placing below them fixtures which produce no uplight. The same technique can just as effectively obliterate a handsome ceiling that was intended to be a prime architectural feature. And a louvered ceiling suspended beneath a folded plate can erase all kinship between the exterior and interior of a building.

Integrating the structure with the night lighting may require nothing more than lighting the interior so that the light pattern complements the space and structure. If this is done, the exterior will take care of itself. When, instead, the outside walls themselves are lighted by exterior luminous sources, care must be taken that the result is not a huge billboard rather than a structure with an enclosed volume.



## f. THE LIGHT YOU SEE: LIGHTING TO MODIFY THE APPEARANCE OF A SPACE

In addition to expressing use and emphasizing structural features, lighting can also be used to alter the appearance of a space, both by the way in which the light is introduced and by the colors of the reflecting surfaces. Designers have long used color to modify the apparent shape of a room, but the space can also be modified visually by the planned introduction of light, with the added advantage of fluidity in design. One can hardly repaint a room every time a change in spatial effect is desired, but lights can easily be turned on or off.

Walls, for example, can be emphasized by painting them in a color that contrasts with the other wall colors in a room. They can equally well be emphasized by lighting them to a brightness that contrasts with the other wall brightnesses. The solidity of a textured wall can be heightened by light, or a polished marble wall can be virtually dissolved in the mirror images that result from misdirected reflected light. Light colors low on the walls of a high-ceilinged room, combined with light directed on the lower planes of the room, can change the proportions of the space.

The ceiling lighting, too, can have a profound effect on the appearance of a space. A ceiling that is the brightest plane in the room may also become the most dominant plane. A solid suspended ceiling ringed by brightness will seem to float on light. A dark ceiling, if it is not picked out by direct or reflected light, may seem not to be there at all.

A wash of light on walls and ceiling may visually expand a space by erasing the wall-ceiling intersection to produce a neutral sky-like effect. This would be particularly helpful in reducing the claustrophobia often caused by windowless spaces.

In some cases, a dominant pattern of luminous sources can organize a space by breaking up the ceiling plane and rearranging it in elements better suited to the uses of the room. Or the dominant ceiling pattern may be transferred to the floor, where pools of light replace the luminous sources themselves. Similarly, strongly horizontal wall lighting may visually organize such diverse elements as the windows, doors, chalkboards, tackboards and lockers in a classroom-and do it much more naturally and logically than the painted line or molding that is so often used.

Lighting can also extend space by taking advantage of the transparency of glass to emphasize the continuity of continuous planes: wall, ceiling or floor. Glass, as we all know, tends to become opaque—or a mirror —at night. Its transparency can be restored by as simple a device as extending the room lighting a short distance outside, or by suitable exterior lighting to offset the difference in brightness inside and out. The same technique—in reverse—might require suitable interior lighting during the day.

There is, finally, light's ability not only to modify space but to "create" it. Street lighting, for instance, creates space of a sort; other kinds of outdoor lighting, including even hanging lanterns, can effectively create spaces of very different sorts. Spaces can be modified visually by changing the relationships of surfaces through manipulation of light patterns and reflectances. In the reception area below, one wall is emphasized by finishing it in a lighter color than the other walls and bathing it in uniform light. Conversely, the ceiling in the church below right is made "invisible" by its own dark color and by scattered downlights which give adequate illumination on the pews and altar—but cast no light at all on the ceiling.

Light can also modify space by extending it, as in the church at right. Here light flows on both sides of the glass walls, maintaining the transparency of the glass and emphasizing visually the actual continuity of the floor and ceiling beyond the walls. In the amusement park at far right, the lighting itself virtually creates the spaces as do hanging lanterns or street lights



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The other aspect of lighting to complement structure is exterior lighting—which is often most effective when it doesn't exist. If the interior lighting is related to the structure, as in the building at left, the same lighting will render the building properly at night, revealing the pattern of the fenestration and the interior spaces rather than that of the fixtures: the carefully placed openings in the shell below are equally expressive from the outside by night and from inside by day









## **g.** THE LIGHTING SYSTEM: HOW TO ACHIEVE

#### THE LIGHTING OBJECTIVES

After the lighting objectives have been defined by deciding how much light is required to see by; how the light seen should look in order to encourage proper use of a space; and what appearance the structure and space should have when rendered by artificial lighting, daylight, or both, these objectives must be thought of in terms of execution.

This process should take place early in the planning, when changes in the choice of materials and colors, or even in the structure, can still be made. Remember that every decision on structure and color is as much a "lighting" decision as is the choice of lighting fixtures. All buildings are designed by adjusting basic schemes to meet many-faceted requirements, and light should be considered from the beginning as one of those requirements.

Daylighting has certainly been one of the key factors in the shaping of plans and structures—from the classic example of a Gothic cathedral where the structure was created to achieve the desired window shapes, and the modeling of the details was based on the light that would render them, to the multiplicity of clerestories, skylights, saw-toothed roofs and so forth used today.

There is equal reason to coordinate the shape of structures with artificial lighting, which can only be fully integrated if it is considered at every stage of design. If the lighting system is applied after the design is completed, half-measures may be the only measures still possible.

The next question is what the lighting equipment itself should look like. Should everything be flush, or should the fixtures be expressive? There are probably as many points of view on this as on whether the bones of a structure should show or be hidden, or on whether cars should have door handles or push buttons. Many architects would like for light to appear without any source. But there is no particular reason why lighting equipment cannot be expressively yet unobtrusively related to the building, in the same way a well-placed shelf is.

The same principle that applies to the design of any building element should also guide the selection of lighting equipment: that is, its relationship to the room functions and to the other building components in terms of dimensions, alignment, shapes, materials, and quality of details. The single most important element in lighting is the design of a light pattern that is logically related to use, space and structure. If the lighting effects are well conceived, achieving adequate equipment details is a relatively simple matter.

One error commonly made in selecting lighting equipment is considering its appearance only with the light off. Flush fixtures that are practically invisible when off may be anything but unobtrusive when lighted, and few light sources can be so dominant as a seemingly innocuous luminous ceiling. On the other hand, suspended fixtures may be relatively inconspicuous if they are placed so that the pattern of light they produce is more prominent than the fixtures themselves.

A largely unexploited opportunity for establishing integrated light patterns is the use of other parts of the building to control and distribute light, instead of relying on the lighting fixtures to work independently.

Walls, ceilings and other surfaces of a room may be effectively used to control reflected light, with surfaces of low reflectance, for example, acting as a foil for highly reflective surfaces, or highly reflective surfaces throughout a small room serving to disperse and diffuse light from a single source. An aisle or counter may be highlighted as effectively by its own light-colored surface as by local lighting. Unusual ceiling constructions or suspended acoustic baffles may house fixtures or provide builtin shielding. Other peculiar features of a space may also be exploited, as when library stacks or space dividers house indirect ceiling lighting.

In summary, the objectives of good lighting are to make a building work well in its intended use, to psychologically encourage that use, and to make the building more beautiful. In accomplishing this, we must remember that light is seen as well as seen by, and that its appearance should be calculated as carefully as the footcandles it produces.

Much unattractive and uncomfortable lighting is the result of following standards that are stated mostly in terms of horizontal footcandle levels, and designed almost solely to fulfill physical requirements. Close analysis of actual tasks and seeing requirements indicates that this "light for seeing" basis for architectural lighting is applied far too extensively. A very large portion of lighting design should be aimed primarily at the meeting of psychological and esthetic requirements, and even in "utilitarian" lighting, maximum footcandles should be far from the only objective.

For areas such as lobbies, public spaces of banks, gymnasiums, cafeterias, many stores, and an endless list of similar spaces, the basic illumination requirements for seeing are al-



When lights are on, the pattern of "unobtrusive" flush fixtures may dominate a space (above). Suspended fixtures, if logically placed (right), may be subordinate to the light pattern they produce



most negligible if there are no distractions from windows or lighting equipment. More often, the objectives of the lighting design are to balance competing glare and to create the optimum psychological and esthetic environment.

The wide spread between the "required" illumination levels for easy and difficult tasks suggests that the "monotonous" lighting architects have been complaining about is, in fact, not even the best solution in the physical sense, and that without increasing budgets, there could be far fewer footcandles in many areas and far more where they are really needed. Except in those areas where sustained close work is done, meeting the psychological and esthetic requirements would in most cases also fulfill the requirements for seeing.

Progress in architectural lighting is only going to be made by starting with the broad objectives rather than with the details of footcandles and fixtures. This demands first of all the attention of the architect, who alone can relate the lighting objectives and designs with those of the rest of the building. And it further demands sympathetic collaboration from the engineer who carries out the design.

Such a process is admittedly much more difficult than just following footcandle tables which are at best incomplete and at worst irrelevant. But everyone should find the extra trouble worth-while: the public and the architect, because in our day good architecture cannot exist without good use of both daylight and artificial light, and the lighting engineers and the lighting industry, because lighting might then become the last instead of the first item in the budget to be trimmed.

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Above: In early architecture—and some recent work, daylighting requirements have shaped buildings. Below: Buildings can also shape light. A reflecting screen and white altar are key elements in the lighting of a chapel; a ceiling serves as a lighting cove; or structure doubles as shielding—successfully in a bowling alley, less successfully in a lab where the viewer's position varies



## PERFORMANCE STUDY OF CONDUCTIVE FLOORING

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It has long been recommended practice to use conductive flooring in surgical suites to minimize the possibility of electrostatic sparks igniting anesthetic vapors or gases. Functionally, the conductive flooring must have the proper electrical characteristics, but in addition, architects are concerned with matters of durability, maintenance and appearance.

A study,\* recently completed by the National Bureau of Standards, supports the presently accepted method of specifying and testing the conductivity of installed floors established by the National Fire Protection Association. †

NBS also concludes that, in general, conductive floorings can be expected to give comparable service to nonconductive floorings of the same type.

The report points out that, although the color range is necessarily limited in some of the flooring materials because of the conductive medium (carbon black) used, still a variety of patterns is possible.

The prime requirement for conductive flooring is that the electrical resistance be within a specified range —less than 1,000,000 ohms and more than 25,000 ohms, as measured by the NFPA method. The upper value was chosen to make sure the electrical resistance is low enough to prevent electrostatic charges from building up to sparking voltage, the lower value to prevent electric shock due to faulty electrical equipment or wiring.

The Bureau of Standards report discusses laboratory and field tests which prove that the NFPA method of measuring the resistance of inExtensive laboratory and field tests by the National Bureau of Standards provide new specification background information on conductive flooring. The presently accepted method of testing the electrical efficacy has been substantiated by the Bureau's studies. The research also showed that the durability and maintenance characteristics do not differ essentially from nonconductive flooring of similar nature

stalled floors reasonably simulates the conditions of actual use, i.e., contact with the conductive floor through operating room furniture and shoes worn by the surgical team. Tests indicated that the specification of a top resistance of one million ohms (NFPA method) will prevent electrostatic voltage from reaching sparking level.

The NBS report states that methods of judging the durability and maintenance features of conventional floorings can be applied to conductive floorings as well. The efficacy of several types, however, depends on maintenance procedures and conditions of use. For example, the durability and appearance of linoleum and rubber may depend on periodic waxing. Conductive waxes containing carbon black are available and should be esthetically as well as electrically satisfactory. The report warns that sealers should not be used on conductive floors until proven satisfactory by electrical tests.

With oxychloride conductive floors, moisture content was found to affect the electrical resistance. Laboratory tests indicated that too little moisture might make the resistance go above the top limit, and too much, below the bottom limit. Thus the relative humidity of the room air and the cleaning schedule should be carefully established and controlled when this material is used.

Materials tested in the NBS study included samples of ceramic tile, a plastic coating, concrete terrazzo, latex, linoleum, oxychloride (terrazzo and plain finish), rubber sheets and vinyl tile.

Samples were 18-by-18-in. floors on plywood panels obtained from domestic suppliers of commercially available conductive flooring. Application followed each manufacturer's own practice.

The electrical conductivity of all samples except the oxychlorides and one make of ceramic tile depended on the presence of acetylene (carbon) black. In the case of ceramic, linoleum, rubber and vinyl samples, the carbon black was finely dispersed in the material during manufacture; while with latex, concrete terrazzo and the setting bed for ceramic tile, the carbon black was mixed on the job.

Oxychloride floors are made by combining an aqueous solution of magnesium chloride with powdered magnesium oxide. Various fibrous and mineral fillers are mixed with the paste which sets to a hard mass. Marble chips may be added to the mix and the surface ground to produce a terrazzo floor.

Scope of the NBS study included: (1) measuring the electrical resistance of all samples by established methods, (2) determining the effect on resistance of such factors as aging, moisture, wear and maintenance, (3) determining the effect of variations in test conditions upon measured resistance, (4) checking the measured resistance against an actual electrostatic charge (generated by a person wearing wool clothing and rising from a plastic covered chair-such condition prohibited by NFPA standard), (5) comparing physical properties of the conductive samples to nonconductive floors of the same type. In addition to laboratory tests, field tests were made on five different types of conductive floors.

Effect of Aging. Tests made over a period of 30 months indicated that aging did not affect the resistance of the floors except for several oxychloride samples.

Effect of Room Humidity and Surface Moisture. The results of these tests show that the only material significantly affected by extremes of humidity was oxychloride flooring. Figure 2 indicates that exposure of oxychloride samples to 80 per cent

<sup>\*</sup>Conductive Flooring for Hospital Operating Rooms, NBS Monograph 11. Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C., 20 cents.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>NFPA No. 56 Recommended Safe Practice for Hospital Operating Rooms, May 1958.

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SAMPLE	DESCRIPTION	METHOD OF APPLICATION
1. Ceramic Tile	Random pattern of 1/4-inthick black conduc- tive tiles (1 $\%_{16}$ in. sq, 3/4 in. sq and 1 $\%_{16}$ by 3/4 in. oblong) and green nonconductive tile ( $^{11}$ / $^{32}$ by 3/4 in.)	Tiles were laid in a conductive mortar underbed containing 3 per cent carbon black. 1/16-inwide joints were grouted with nonconductive cement mortar
2. Ceramic Tile	Brown conductive tile, 1 $\%_{16}$ in. sq	Same as above. Also provided with tile set in conductive adhesive and nonconductive cement mortar joints
3. Plastic Coating	Black. Mixture of plastics, solvents and con- ductive ingredients	Applied by spray, brush or trowel to a thickness of 1/16 in.
4. Concrete Terrazzo	Dark gray conductive matrix with stone chips of black and green	Concrete underbed containing 3 per cent carbon black, and a terrazzo top surface with 2 per cent carbon black (carbon black based on weight of dry cement). The sample was constructed according to specifications of the National Terrazzo and Mosaic Association. Samples were treated with a recommended penetrating type sealing compound
5. Latex Terrazzo	Black neoprene and cement matrix with pink, green and white chips	Material troweled 1/2 in. thick; intended for use over existing or new, structurally sound underfloors. Four coats of manufacturer's sealer had been applied
6. Linoleum	Black. 6-ft-wide strips, ½ in. thick. Burlap backing	Placed over a suitable underfloor by conventional methods. Manufac- turer prescribed brass seam connectors with projecting points to in- tercouple sheets electrically. Manufacturer stated that wax or protec- tive coats should not be used and recommended dry machine brushing
7. Oxychloride Terrazzo	Green matrix. Approximately 50 per cent of surface covered by black and white noncon- ductive chips	Material applied $V_2$ in thick over suitable underfloor. Liquid synthetic resin bonding agent covered by coarse mineral grains provided anchoring between terrazzo and underfloor
8. Oxychloride (Plain)	Dark red	Same as above
9. Oxychloride Terrazzo	White matrix. Approximately 50 per cent of sur- face covered by black and white nonconduc- tive chips	Material laid 1/2 in. thick over asphalt felt and wire mesh and a suitable underfloor
10. Oxychloride Terrazzo	Red, green and gray matrices. Approximately 30 per cent of the surface covered with black and white nonconductive chips	Material laid $V_2$ in. thick over 2-insq wire mesh and a suitable underfloor
11. Oxychloride Terrazzo	Green matrix. Approximately 65 per cent of the surface covered with black, green and white nonconductive chips	Material laid 1/2 in. thick over suitable underfloor
12. Oxychloride (Plain)	Red; other colors available. This cupric oxychlo- ride material contained finely divided copper powder (5 to 10 per cent by weight) of dry mix	Material applied $\mathcal{V}_2$ in. thick over a suitable bonding agent and subfloor
13. Rubber	Black, $V_8$ in. thick. Backed by cotton fabric	Adhesive was used to fasten the sheets to a suitable underfloor and intercouplings similar to those used with linoleum (sample 6) can be used to connect the sheets electrically
14. Vinyl	Black conductive field and a white and green marbleized design. 9-by-9-in. polyvinyl chlo- ride-based tiles, 1/8 in. thick	Special underlayment of felt with pressure-sensitive adhesive on both sides served to bond the felt to the underfloor and the tile to the felt. Copper foil, V <sub>2</sub> in. wide, was placed on the felt to provide electrical intercoupling between tiles
15. Vinyl	Molded terrazzo design of either white or gray field with a black "chiplike" effect. 9-by-9-in. polyvinyl chloride-based tiles, 3/16 in. thick	Adhesive was troweled onto a suitable underfloor. 1-in. copper foil placed on the adhesive provided an electrical intercoupling between tiles
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#### CONDUCTIVE FLOORING

rh caused their resistance to fall below the 25,000-ohm minimum and exposure to 10 per cent rh caused their resistance to go above the 1,000,000ohm maximum. Tests to determine the effect of mopping were made using a rubber sponge saturated with water; any excess of water was allowed to remain. Again the oxychlorides were the only samples significantly affected, their resistance falling below the minimum limit, except when the humidity was maintained at 10 per cent.

Testing Method. The Bureau of Standard tests showed that the 1,-000,000-ohm limit measured with a 500-v ohmeter and using standard electrodes gave a reasonably valid criterion of performance for the floors tested. In case of doubt, such as when floors are slightly above the top limit, measurements of resistance between objects in the room can be used to provide evidence of the safety of the floors.

NBS tests also demonstrated that for resilient floors there is a safety factor of about 10 for the present 1,000,000-ohm specification, even at as low a relative humidity as 20 per cent, because the resistance of these floors is relatively independent of the hardness of contacting objects. There appears to be no such factor for hard-surfaced floors. However, there is a very large factor of safety (10 or more) if, as specified by the National Fire Protection Association, wool and plastics are prohibited in the operating suite. In addition. there is another large safety factor if a relative humidity of not less than 50 per cent is maintained, as designated by the NFPA standard.

Physical tests nonelectrical in nature made by the Bureau included indentation (to measure relative foot comfort and resistance to permanent deformation due to a concentrated load such as a table leg), scratch resistance, slipperiness, resistance to scrubbing, water absorption and stain resistance.



Figure 1. Effect of aging on electrical resistance



Figure 2. Effect of relative humidity and daily washing on electrical resistance

## Remodeled Molecules Produce Effective One-Part Sealant

Shortly after "curtain wall" became a key word in the architectural vocabulary, it became apparent that the new definition of curtain wall also demanded a new definition of the word "sealant." The oil-based mastics that were-and still aredoing yeoman service as glazing and caulking compounds were simply not adequate to meet the more stringent requirements for sealing the large area panels and panels of the newer types of curtain walls, especially in high-rise buildings subject to substantial wind stresses. So construction people promptly borrowed from the marine and aviation industries the two-part synthetic rubber-based compounds that remain the standard definition of sealant, in spite of the many experiments with resilient gaskets, tapes and compound sealers designed to overcome the hazards of mixing and applying two-part sealants under normal field conditions.

Now Tremco, itself a long-time producer of two-part polysulfide liquid polymer sealants, is offering a new definition—a one-part sealant that the company says is better than the best caulking compounds and similar to more costly two-part liquid polymer sealants.

The most obvious advantage is of course the fact that the Mono Lasto-Meric sealant comes pre-mixed and ready to use without on-site preparation. But more important, by going back to basics, Tremco's research people were able to produce a 100 per cent liquid polymer that, unlike compounds based on solid vinyl or butyl, does not need to be modified or dissolved with oil or other additives. By remodeling a basic acrylic polymer, they came up with a co-polymer whose elasticity, adhesion and resistance to hardening under ultraviolet rays, oxygen and moisture are inherent in the compound itself-not the result of additives that may migrate or disappear in time.

The exclusion of migratory ingredients also makes it possible to use the sealant on both porous and nonporous surfaces and joints without danger of staining. Ordinary precautions should be taken to apply the sealant to clean, dry surfaces, but priming is usually not necessary. And if by chance a first bond is not achieved because of moisture, the compound's unique self-sealing property comes to the rescue: it regains adhesion when this moisture evaporates and the two surfaces are rejoined.

Mono Lasto-Meric is recommended for channel glazing, bedding and sealing of joints around most types of panels and lights in curtain walls and other forms of building construction, and for caulking and pointing masonry. It comes ready to apply in spouted cartridges; reaches its ultimate set and firmness

## Air-Sealed Panels Form "Permanent" Portable Wall

The new Airwall portable wall offers maximum flexibility in interior space division, plus excellent sound retarding qualities, and minus floor and ceiling tracks. The key to its flexibility is a series of interchangeable filler panels, each 36 in. wide and up to 12 ft high, which are fitted with a tongue and groove joint so that they lock firmly together to provide a smooth flush wall. The panels are light enough (about 1.8 psf depending on the facing material used) to be moved by one man, but once in position, they form a highly stable wall with characteristics that belie its portability.

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The only restriction is the need for a rigid ceiling—suspended ceilings won't do unless a beam is provided.

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Contains engineering data, operation and controls information, specification data, dimension drawings, and installation diagrams for Herman Nelson UNIvent gas-fired unit ventilators for school classrooms. Bulletin 685-A1, 16 pp. Dept. PD, American Air Filter Co., Inc., 215 Central Ave., Louisville 8, Ky.

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(A.I.A. 15-J) Describes available aluminum alloys, discusses design considerations and limitations, and gives extensive selection guides and property tables. Special sections give technical data on aluminum extrusions, curtain walls, finishes and specialty products, as well as suggested specifications for all types of architectural aluminum. 24 pp. Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Sales, Inc., Dept. NR-40, 300 Lakeside Dr., Oakland 12, Calif.\*

#### **Aluminum for Architecture**

(A.I.A. 15-J) Contains comprehensive information on the selection of aluminum alloys and surface finishes, with detailed technical data and guide specifications. Bulletin OA-18, 20 pp. Metals Div., Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp., 400 Park Ave., New York 22, N. Y.\*

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Comprehensive application manual on industrial heating with direct fired heaters covers definitions of terms; discusses direct fired heater systems; and includes sections on heat loss calculations and air distribution, fuels and fuel distribution systems, and control systems. Text is supported by design procedures, diagrams, and extensive reference tables and charts. 64 pp. Lennox Industries, Inc., Dept. I, Marshalltown, Iowa

#### Panel-Board Partition System

(A.I.A. 35-H-6) Includes descriptions and illustrations of the different types of partitions available in the *Panel-Board* system, plus elevation and section drawings, a parts list, and specifications. 16 pp. *Penn Metal Company, Inc., Parkersburg, W. Va.*\*

#### American Olean Ceramic Tile

(A.I.A. 23-A) Describes types and uses of unglazed and glazed tiles; illustrates (in full-color) available colors and textures, and typical patterns and installations; and gives installation details on tile trim shapes. Catalog 210, 32 pp. American Olean Tile Co., Inc., 1000 Cannon Ave., Lansdale, Pa.\*

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(A.I.A. 14-R) Presents detailed instructions for selecting, specifying and ordering gratings, plus dimensional drawings and safeload tables for the various types of gratings. Safety treads and nosings are also shown. 16 pp. Borden Metal Products Co., Green Lane, Elizabeth, N. J.\*

#### **Quality Plastics for Lighting**

(A.I.A. 31-F-2) Illustrates, describes, and gives complete photometric data on *K*-Lite extruded plastic prismatic lens panels. Also available is a calculator for determining the lens panel square footage necessary for any lighting job. *K*-S-H Plastics, Inc., High Ridge, Mo.

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#### Wood Hyperbolic Paraboloid

Construction and Analysis of Simple Hyperbolic Paraboloid Shells of West Coast Lumber explains general construction procedures and describes technical analysis of a simple wood hyperbolic paraboloid. Data is based on Forest Products Pavilion at the 1959 Oregon Centennial Exposition. 8 pp. West Coast Lumbermen's Assn., 1410 S. W. Morrison St., Portland 5, Ore.\*

Library Equipment and Furniture (A.I.A. 35-B) Provides complete descriptive information, including specification charts, photographs and diagrams, on the Heller line of single and double faced library shelving, charging desks, tables, chairs and miscellaneous library equipment. The Heller Co., Library Div., 58 Wabash Ave., Montpelier, Ohio

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## SPECIFICATION OF PAINTS FOR VARIOUS SURFACES AND CONDITIONS

by Ray E. Cumrine, A.I.A., Ketchum & Sharp, Architects

Specification of paints has become much more complicated as new materials have been developed through modern paint technology for practically every surface and service condition. Below is a check list of the principal paint types and their applications.

EXTERIOR SURFACE	PRIMER	FINISH
Concrete and Concrete	1. Polyvinyl Acetate	1. Polyvinyl Acetate or Styrene-butadiene
Block	2. Acrylic	2. Acrylic
	3. Styrene-butadiene	3. Styrene-butadiene
	4. Cement	4. Cement
Brick, Cement Asbestos	1. Polyvinyl Acetate	1. Polyvinyl Acetate or Styrene-butadiene
	2. Acrylic	2. Acrylic
	3. Styrene-butadiene	3. Styrene-butadiene
Aluminum	1. Zinc Chromate	1. Linseed Oil
Galvanized Metal	1. Zinc Dust and Zinc Oxide, Zinc Chromate or Aluminum	1. Linseed Oil or Alkyd
	2. Vinyl-alkyd wash	2. Vinyl-alkyd
Iron and Steel	1. Red Lead, Blue Lead or Zinc Chromate	1. Linseed Oil or Alkyd
	Chemical-R	esistant
	1. Neoprene	1. Neoprene
	2. Wash Primer and Zinc Chromate Vinyl Resin	2. Vinyl Resin
	3. Phenolic Resin	3. Phenolic Resin
	4. Epoxy	4. Epoxy
	5. Vinyl-alkyd wash	5. Vinyl-alkyd
Hot Metal (To 500°)	1. Zinc Dust or Aluminum	1. Aluminum
	1. Phenolic Type Zinc Chromate	1. Phenolic Type Zinc Chromate
Metal Under Water	2. Neoprene	2. Neoprene
Wood	1. Linseed Oil	1. Linseed Oil
in oou	2. Alkyd	2. Alkyd
	3. Acrylic	3. Acrylic
Plaster (Stucco)	1. Polyvinyl Acetate	1. Polyvinyl Acetate or Styrene-butadiene
	2. Acrylic	2. Acrylic
**	3. Styrene-butadiene	3. Styrene-butadiene
INTERIOR SURFACE	PRIMER	FINISH
Concrete and Concrete	1. Linseed Oil	1. Linseed Oil
Block	2. Cement	2. Cement
	3. Chlorinated Rubber	3. Chlorinated Rubber
	4. Styrene-butadiene	4. Styrene-butadiene
	5. Acrylic	5. Acrylic
	6. Epoxy or Acrylic	6. Ероху
	7. Polyester	7. Polyester
	8. Polyvinyl Acetate	8. Polyvinyl Acetate, Styrene-butadiene or Alkyd
	9. Alkyd	9. Alkyd
Brick, Cement Asbestos	1. Polyvinyl Acetate	1. Polyvinyl Acetate or Alkyd
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#### SOLAR SCREENS OF CLAY MASONRY: 1

by Howard P. Vermilya, A.I.A.

Much has been written about masonry solar screens as shading devices and about how they may be most effective in reducing the sun's heat,\* especially for air-conditioned buildings, but little information has been given on their structural aspects.

From their very nature, screen walls are rarely, if ever, load-bearing and while they may be of a variety of materials, those using hollow clay or concrete masonry units are more generally used.

Structural stability is attained by providing the screen wall with lateral support at proper intervals and by avoiding excessive compressive loads. Lateral support may be obtained by cross walls, piers, buttresses or columns when the limiting distance between lateral supports is measured horizontally, or by floors and roofs when the limiting distance is measured vertically (ASA Building Code Requirements for Masonry). The distance between these supports may be computed by the use of the following formulas derived by the Structural Clay Products Institute. (For complete derivation, refer to the Institute's Technical Notes on Brick and Tile Construction, Vol. 8 No. 3.) (1) for restrained ends

$$L=6.33 \times t \sqrt{\frac{Ab}{w \times k}}$$

\*See Time-Saver Standards, 3rd Edition, F. W. Dodge Corp., Page 39 "Short Cuts to Solar Angles" Hendrik P. Maas; Solar Control and Shading Devices by Olygay and Olygay, Princeton University Press.

(2) for simply supported ends  
L=5.17 x t 
$$\sqrt{\frac{A_b}{w \times k}}$$

Where:

L=allowable distance between lateral supports in feet

t=actual wall thickness in inches Ab=ratio of actual bed joint length in a horizontal longitudinal plane to the total wall length.

 $(A_b=1$  for stack, running or common bond, and 0.5 for split bond patterns where each unit is lapped  $\frac{1}{3}$  over the lower unit.)

w=design wind pressure in pounds per square foot as taken from wind pressure map and wind pressure tables for height zones above ground.

#### Conditions Involved in Formulas

 If the solar screen is supported by building it into a reinforced concrete structure, the end condition is fixed to a degree justifying the 1/12th moment coefficient used in Formula 1, while if the screen is supported on a steel shelf angle a ¼th moment coefficient is indicated as in Formula 2.

Provisions should be made to anchor clay masonry solar screens to the building frame to prevent them from being sucked off their supports. The coefficient of static friction of





Rectangular Sizes		Rectangular Sizes Structural Data		Shading Data Estimating Data			a	1 Calman				
Nominal Modular Dimensions Dime		Specified Dimension in inches		100% Shading		Units	Mortar					
h Face	w Face	t Length in Wall	d Shell	k Ratio of Solid Wall Area to Total Wall	Approximate Weight per sq. ft. of Wall	Profile	Bearing Angle	No. per sq.		r sq. ft. of Area		. ft. 00 Units
Height	Width	Thickness	Thickness	Area	Area in Ib.	B	r	ft. of Wall	1/2" joints	3/8" joints	1/2" joints	3/8" joints
4	8	6	5/8	.56	40	23°	49°	4.5	.092	.069	20.3	15.2
4	8	8	5/8	.56	40 54	17°	40°	4.5	.125	.094	27.8	20.8
4	8	12	5/8 5/8 5/8	.56	80	12°	29°	4.5	.193	.145	42.5	31.9
8	8	6	5/8	.39	30	49°	49°	2.25	.061	.046	27.1	20.3
8	8	8	5/2	.39	40	40°	40°	2.25	.828	.622	36.8	27.6
8	8	12	5/8	.39	60	29°	29°	2.25	.127	.095	56.5	42.4
8	12	6	3/4	.375	60 30	48°	62°	1.5	.051	.382	34.5	26.9
8	12	8	3/4	.375		39°	54°	1.5	.700	.525	46.6	35.0
	12	12	3/4	.375	60	28°	42°	1.5	.108	.081	72.0	54.0
8 12	12	6	5% 5% 3% 3% 3% 3% 3%	.34	25	61°	61°	1.0	.042	.032	42.0	31.5
12	12		7/8	.34	40 60 25 33 50	53°	53°	1.0	.057	.043	57.2	43.0
12	12	8	1/8	.34	50	41°	41°	1.0	.680	.66	88.2	66.1

TABLE 1

\*Manufactured dimensions are ¾ in. to ½ in. smaller than the nominal modular dimensions shown, depending on the manufacturer.

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#### SOLAR SCREENS OF CLAY MASONRY: 2

by Howard P. Vermilya, A.I.A.

masonry on concrete, 0.70, and masonry on steel, 0.30, is not always sufficient to prevent horizontal movement of lightweight walls. Strap anchors can be employed to resist this movement.

Clay masonry screens which butt against or pass vertical members of concrete should be anchored in slots built into the concrete. Anchors, made of not less than 16-gage galvanized iron, should be at least %-in. wide and spaced not more than 18 in. on center vertically.

2. Mortars for clay masonry units shall conform to ASTM standard specifications, "Mortars for Unit Masonry" C 270. Types M or S shall be used when the distance between lateral supports exceeds 0.7 of the maximum permitted by Formula 1 or 2; when the distance is 0.7 or less, Type N mortar may be used. Mortar bed joints should be completely filled.

 For structural considerations, units in split bond should not lap over the units below less than one third of their horizontal projection area.

4. L, the distance between lateral supports, may be measured either horizontally between walls or columns or vertically between floor slabs or beams when stack, running or common bond is used, but only vertically when split bond is used. (A revision of Technical Notes on Bond and Tile Construction, Vol. 8, No. 3 is contemplated soon, to provide a formula to take care of rotary shear or torsion in the bed joints when a screen wall using split bond is supported horizontally.)

#### Example:

Location: Dallas, Texas, 5th Floor. Material: 8-by-8-by-8-in. hollow clay units in stack bond.

Frame or supports: reinforced concrete. Mortar: Type S.

Wind Pressure: Map shows 25 psf for Dallas. Table 3 shows 30 psf for wind at 54 ft (5 stories) from ground.

k: Table 1 shows 0.39 for 8-by-8-by-8-in. unit having shell thickness of % in. with %-in, mortar joints.

Ab: 1 for stack bond

t: 7.5-in. actual thickness

$$L=6.33 \times 7.5 \sqrt{\frac{1}{30 \times .39}}$$

If solar screen had been laid in type N mortar, allowable distance between supports could not exceed 0.7 of 13.9 ft or 9 ft 9 in.

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	ical Properties of Clay Masonry Solar Screen Unit
Raw	Materials:
	Units shall be made of surface clay, shale, fire clay or mixtures thereof.
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	Exposed ends shall be uncored and reasonably free from cracks, chips, surface roughness and other defects detracting from the appearance of the wall when viewed from a distance of 20 ft.
Wat	er Absorption:
	Maximum per cent by 1 hr. boiling; Where the weathering index is more than 100 (See Fig. 8)
	Average of 5 units
	Fig. 8)
	Average of 5 tests
Dime	nsional Variation:
	Maximum variation plus or minus from specified dimension in width, w; height, h; or length, t

#### TABLE 3

Wind Pressures for Various Height Zones Above Ground

Height Zone	Wind-pressure-map areas (Ib. per sq. ff.)						
(ft.)	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
Less than 30	15	20	25	25	30	35	40
30 to 49	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
50 to 99	25	30	40	45	50	55	60
100 to 499	30	40	45	55	60	70	75
500 to 1199	35	45	55	60	70	80	90
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Load-Bearing Panel Wall System Stran-Wall, a new panel wall system for one and two-story structures, consists of a lightweight load-bearing steel structure, porcelain curtain wall panels, and the necessary aluminum extrusions and attachments. The framing itself is quickly and easily assembled by welding or selftapping screws; the panels slip into slots and grooves in the framing; and aluminum mullions, jambs, sills and headers are designed to be snapfit or attached to the structure by concealed screws. Other design features include a water seal and ventilation to reduce condensation, and a choice of hopper, fixed and projected windows. According to its manufacturer, the Stran-Wall system is designed to go up faster, easier, and at considerable savings over conventional steel frame plus curtain wall systems. Stran-Steel Corp., Div. of National Steel Corp., Detroit 29, Mich.

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Embassy of Switzerland, Washington, D. C. (above and below). Bronze metals in sheet, rectangular tube, and extrusions were used by the fabricator to execute the architect's designs for spandrels, mullions, fascias, and columns. The grille (below), seemingly of solid bars, is actually fabricated from standard size, rectangular red brass tube. ARCHITEOT: William Lescaze, New York. FABRICATOR: A. F. Jorss Iron Works, Arlington, Virginia.







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- 9-11 60th Annual Convention, New Jersey Society of Architects and New Jersey Chapter, American Institute of Architects - Berkeley-Carteret Hotel, Asbury Park, N. J.
- 12-24 Fourth Annual Seminar for Teachers of Architecture, jointly sponsored by the American Institute of Architects and the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture; theme, "Technology in Architecture" - Sagamore Lake, N. Y.
- 13-15 Annual Meeting, American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers-Royal York Hotel, Vancouver
- 13-15 Annual Meeting, American Association of Cost Engineers -Rice Hotel, Houston
- 15-18 British Architects' Conference for 1960-Manchester, England
- 19-22 Annual Convention, National Parking Association - San Francisco
- 19-25 National Convention (second of three in 1960), American Society of Civil Engineers-Reno
- 25-ff. First International Congress for Automatic Control; through July 5-Moscow
- 26-29 61st Annual Meeting, American Society of Landscape Architects-Waldorf Astoria Hotel, New York City
- 26-ff. Annual Meeting and Exhibit, American Society for Testing Materials; through July 1-Chalfonte-Haddon Hall, Atlantic City
- 27-29 13th Annual Conference on Aging, sponsored by the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, Mich.

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- 11-18 Second World Conference on Earthquake Engineering— Tokyo and Kyoto, Japan
- 18-19 School Architecture and the Newer Educational Media; the annual A.A. Cleveland School Building Conference — Washington State University, Pullman, Wash.
- 18-29 City and Regional Planning; 22nd annual special summer program—Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge 39, Mass.
- 24-ff. Atomic Shelter II; seminar for architects and engineers involved with analysis and design of structural and radiation shielding systems—College of Architecture and Engineering, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pa.

### August\_

29-ff. Annual Convention, American Hospital Association—Civic Auditorium, San Francisco

### **Office Notes**

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Architect Joseph Fuller, A.I.A., announces the opening of his office for the practice of architecture at 103 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

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The architectural firm of Hoffman and Crumpton (R. L. Hoffman, F. T. Loeffler and G. M. Wolfe, Partners) announces a change in the firm name to Hoffman, Loeffler and Wolfe—C. A. Gaus and R. E. Girts Associated, with W. B. Chalfant, Associate Architect. Offices are at 700 Century Building, Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

George H. Miehls has been reelected chairman and treasurer of Albert Kahn Associated Architects and Engineers, Inc., for the coming year. Other executive officers reelected are: Sol King, president; Sheldon Marston, executive vice president; G. K. Scrymgeour, vice president and secretary; R. E. Linton, G. S. Whittaker, V. C. Wagner and Saul Saulson, vice presidents. Offices of the firm continue at 345 New Center Building, Detroit 2, Mich.

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Charles Handley Marshall, A.I.A., and William Albert Lewis, A.I.A., announce the formation of a partnership for the general practice of architecture to be known as Marshall and Lewis, Architects. Offices are at 2125 Maryland Ave., Baltimore 18.

Robert H. Street, Architect, announces his partnership with Edward H. Street, Architect, in the new firm of Street and Street, Architects, with offices at 405 Commerce Union Annex, Nashville 3, Tenn.

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George Demers, Consulting Engineer, 845 St. Cyrille St. W., Quebec 6, Canada.

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# Engineers Ask Equal Status With Doctors and Lawyers

As the Labor Standards subcommittee of the House considered proposed amendments to the Fair Labor Standards act, it had before it a request from the National Society of Professional Engineers that registered professional engineers be granted the same status presently given licensed doctors and lawyers who are excepted from the minimum salary provisions for professional employes.

A spokesman for N.S.P.E. asked Congress through the subcommittee chairman, Rep. Phil M. Landrum (D-Ga.), to curb the Wage and Hour Administrator's "discriminatory actions toward professional engineering, and to extend to that worthy endeavor the same professional status and recognition given law and medicine."

There is, presently, a salary test providing that professional employes must earn at least \$95 per week. In making its plea to Congress, the N.S.P.E. said, "Since every state legislature and since the Congress of the United States has declared the professional status of licensed engineers, we respectfully suggest that there is no justification or warrant for the Administrator to ignore that fact in providing the special exception from the salary test for licensed and certified professionals."

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However, FHA requires that with the applications certification from authorities that they have adequate standards which are enforced or will be enforced.

The agency made a strong effort through a preliminary letter to determine the need for nursing homes. Because of a wide difference in replies as to the assistance in regard to need, FHA is not at this time stipulating the exact criteria state agencies must use in determining need. It did recommend, however, that each field office director arrange an early conference with state officials or local authorities to "explore this subject and arrive at mutual understandings with these officials."

Where mortgagors desire to borrow money for equipment or operating capital, the agency said it would recognize secured loans subject to its stipulated considerations.

#### Some Upgrading Seen

It was noted that the FHA Minimum Property Standards for Nursing Homes are somewhat higher than the average of state standards.

Commenting on this, the letter for field offices stated, "We believe this upgrading is in keeping with our overall objective of improving standards and is economically feasible in light of the more liberal financing which this program makes available. ... On the other hand, these standards are not as high as those used

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for VA hospital modernization and improvement, but the full House voted 218 to 155 to accept an amendment proposed by John P. Saylor (R-Pa.), increasing the sum of \$75 million.

The same measure left the House carrying in \$150 million for slum clearance and urban renewal, \$80 million for the Federal aid to airports program, and \$144.8 million for public buildings construction.

#### **Appropriations Unit Questions** Private Design of U. S. Jobs

The Army Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation of the Interior Department were in the position of defending before Congress their practice of contracting out certain architectural and engineering work. Testifying before a House Appropriations subcommittee, top authorities in the two agencies explained that design work on certain projects was passed to private firms when Corps or Bureau personnel were not able to do it with their own staff.

Speaking for the Bureau was Commissioner F. E. Dominy. Lt. Gen. E. C. Itschner, retiring this fall, was the witness for the Army Corps, of which he is chief. The testimony was heard on the fiscal 1961 public works appropriations bill.

#### For Economy . . .

"I think in general," said Commissioner Dominy at this year's hearing, "we employ outside firms and outside engineering skills only to the extent that is obviously in the interest of the government, and to carry out the program more economically, but we do use our own trained forces for the great majority of the engineering work which we perform."

The Department of Justice is known to be investigating at the present time the practice of so-called sundowners, those architects and engineers employed by the Federal government who take outside work to make extra money. Justice is looking into possible conflicts of interest, it was said. Mr. Dominy touched on this phase of the subject when he told the subcommittee members he was convinced none of his architects or engineers were doing the outside continued on page 332



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Lt. Gen. Itschner emphasized that the Corps contracts out its design work only when it is unusually complicated or specialized. In an effort to place as little work outside the ACE shop as possible, he explained, the Corps transfers certain work from overburdened districts to dis-



"We are not able to retain many of our better designers and engineers and architects because we cannot pay them as much as they are offered in architect-engineer firms," he testified. This becomes an even greater



problem for the Corps in period of high construction activity.

He protested a suggestion that further restrictions be placed on the hiring of non-Federal architects and engineers in the vast public works program. Additional restrictions, he said, would make it increasingly difficult for ACE to accomplish its program.

#### **Outside Design Almost Double**

The General denied that the pressure of deadlines was a factor in contracting out design work. Outside architect-engineer contracts in the Corps' program amounted to 7.4 per cent of all work in 1954. This climbed to 16.2 in 1957, dropped back to 12.3 per cent in 1958, and now has risen to 13 per cent due to the new starts in the civil works program.

Lt. Gen. Itschner expressed confidence that this problem would now "take care of itself."

The Corps spokesman again advanced the recommendation that Congress provide all the money for a single construction project at one time rather than through annual appropriations. Committee members resisted this, however, noting such a course would not cure the problem of constant and more expensive design changes.

On his side of the argument, General Itschner said appropriating the full amount for each job would mean earlier completion of that project and lower its cost through assurance to the contractor that he could move through the job to completion without uncertainties of additional financing. He added that under the present system bidders on the first contract are never sure of subsequent contracts on the same project. This moves them to include in the initial contract bid all the cost of mobilizing and demobilizing their equipment and personnel.

Committee Chairman Joe Cannon (Mo.), and other members wondered at this point if Congress would not still be plagued with requests for additional funds even if a single lump-sum were appropriated per project.

He asked, "Would we . . . be able to close the contract with the contractor and regardless of what happened and regardless of future contingencies, pay him that amount and *continued on page 336* 

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no more, and he would complete the project according to specifications for that amount, and no more?" The witness admitted this would not be the case since the contractor would have claims if he found conditions different from those outlined in the bidding documents.

#### **Eliminate Design Changes?**

This prompted detailed discussion on design changes with the Corps chief explaining that changes would always be necessary unless a great deal more money is spent on design.

"Why is it that the school (West Point), which above all schools emphasizes mathematics and physics, cannot compile specifications which can be submitted to a contractor, just as we submit a contract for a building down here on Pennsylvania Avenue?" Rep. Cannon queried.

General Itschner replied that there are more change orders in military



construction designed by private architects and engineers than in civil works construction, and observed that those buildings on Pennsylvania Avenue required just as many change orders as the structures built by the Army Corps.

The chief promised that his Corps would work toward the objective of no changes, and felt it could approach the goal, but he said there always would be change orders.

The committee did not go so far this year as it did in 1959 when it recommended that engineering and design costs be limited to five per cent of the construction cost of a project. That move was blocked after the American Institute of Architects, the National Society of Professional Engineers and others protested it.

The Appropriations Committee's report this year on Bureau of Indian Affairs, National Park Service and Forest Service said the material submitted to it by these agencies indicate that savings both in construction costs and personnel can be expected from greater use of standardized plans and specifications. As N.S.P.E. noted, however, the report gave no reasons for this conclusion.

The House group said the agencies involved should be able to effect a minimum reduction of 10 per cent in their engineering and design and construction supervision staffs in fiscal 1961 to offset at least part of the added program workload.

NPS has advised the committee that it cannot state its engineering and design costs as part of construction cost because of insufficient accounting data. It is moving toward a "break out" of these engineering and design costs in its future operations, however. Nearly 85 per cent of its program involves structures costing less than \$100,000 each, meaning relatively higher design charges.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs, on the other hand, reported an average of eight per cent of total estimated project cost for engineering, design and other related technical work. Of this, engineering and design costs were said to average approximately 3.5 per cent. The Bureau claimed the cost was favorable compared with similar work charges made by private architects and engineers.

The Indian Affairs bureau report indicated it had stopped all new concontinued on page 342 San Francisco scores a homer with Candlestick Park, America's newest stadium



Westinghouse floodlighting system maintains IES standards of intensity for playing areas. The striking design of the wind baffle tops massive concrete stadium. Two of the eight floodlighting towers that are spaced around perimeter of stadium are shown here.







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struction at one time after last year's Congressional criticism, directing that engineering and architectural work henceforth be done by its own staff. It claimed that work would thus be speeded and cost of reduced.

#### Spur to House Sales Seen in Lower FHA Downpayments

Speculative home builders are expected to move their unsold houses

much faster as a result of the Federal government action lowering down payment requirements on FHA-insured mortgages in the moderate price range.

The National Association of Home Builders reported that in many cases builders were unable to sell their product because prospective purchasers fell just short of qualifying. The margin might have been only a few hundred dollars, and the FHA action could tip the scales.



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The new minimum down payment schedule calls for \$600 where the FHA value is \$15,000, compared with \$650 before the change; \$800 on FHA value of \$17,000 compared with \$1100 previously, and \$1200 on FHA value of \$19,000 where it had been \$1700.

#### Lack of Terminal Facilities Called Air Traffic Bottleneck

A spokesman for air line pilots says the nation is far behind in air terminal facilities compared with its advances in aircraft and the increased density of air traffic.

Clarence N. Sayen, president of the Air Line Pilots Association, told the Aero Club of Washington, D. C. that the lack of adequate terminal facilities is one of the most critical problems facing commercial aviaticn. This lack was called the primary bottleneck in the functioning of any air traffic system.

#### **Highways But Not Runways?**

He blamed much of this problem on a lack of adequate Federal expenditures for the Federal aid airport program. His comment: "The nation can complete 3589 miles of four-lane highway and 184 miles of six-lane or more per year, but it "requires practically a national emergency to secure another 1000 ft of concrete for a runway at an airport."

The present air traffic system can deliver the aircraft to the airport much more rapidly than the capacity of the airport can receive them, he asserted. He held that the severe bottlenecks exist both in getting the aircraft from the en route phase to the ground, and from the landing phase to the parking ramp.

In his opinion, huge sums of money are being wasted and the air traveler is grossly inconvenienced by the airport terminal limitations.

#### HHFA Asked for Major Study Of Housing Credit Picture

Concerned over the fluctuations of credit for home financing, the Senate's subcommittee on housing has called for a thorough study and report by the Housing and Home Finance Agency. The report would be *continued on page 344* 



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#### A New Fanny Mae?

The subcommittee took the position that FNMA, as it now stands, cannot be expected to supplement and stabilize the flow of mortgage credit to the extent desired. This, it said, would mean reconstituting FNMA or creating a new institution, such as a central mortgage bank.

#### PHA Expects Unit Totals of 25,000 This Year, 30,000 Next

Congress has been informed that the Public Housing Administration expects the start of approximately 25,000 new public housing units this fiscal year (ending June 30). PHA Commissioner Lawrence Davern told a House Appropriations subcommittee that about 3,000 such units will get underway during the next fiscal period.

Mr. Davern described the maintenance of these public housing units as a constant problem, one that becomes more and more difficult each year with project income going down. On the question of cost, he said the agency is operating on a policy that called for project design and materials to conform to what is being done for middle income private housing in the locality. This involves an "economical use" of the land.

The Commissioner held a national cost limit to be unworkable because it raises costs in low-cost areas and pinches them in the high-cost localities.

**OCDM** Wants More Shelters, **Congress Backs Off** 

The nonmilitary defense program of the nation was outlined to Congress by Leo Hoegh, head of the Office of continued on page 348

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Civil and Defense Mobilization, when he went before a House appropriations subcommittee to request more than \$7 million for research and development during the fiscal period beginning July 1. Four million dollars is being spent in this field this fiscal year.

Included is the construction of government underground control centers and constant experimentation with prototype shelters of various kinds. Director Hoegh has told Congress, "There is every evidence that the program is beginning to pay off, and that shelter construction is gaining real impetus. Home builders are including shelters in homes at reasonable costs. Millions of individuals have asked for our books on shelter plans. Newspaper ads are beginning to appear. Construction companies and local builders are advertising home shelters built to the specifications of OCDM.



"Many private architects and builders are creating prefabricated shelters built from their own designs, but still meeting OCDM specifications. Many industries have incorporated fall-out shelters in their institutions. Thousands of shelters are being built by people and industries throughout the nation."

#### **Current Program Varied**

In its 1960 (fiscal year) program, the agency is building one underground garage which can do double service as a fallout protection area; three school prototypes which can provide fall-out protection in cafeteria areas, an assembly area and in classrooms, all underground, and an understreet shelter as well.

Two protective hospital projects are in the current program—one in Texas, the other in New Jersey.

OCDM also is constructing 38 community shelters, each with capacity of 50 persons, and a city block shelter, along with 100 family shelters, some of which already are completed. Funds requested for fiscal 1961 would finance construction of 250 additional prototypes to complete the program, Mr. Hoegh said.

#### More Prototypes Wanted

The agency would like to spend \$2.5 million on prototype construction alone next fiscal year. Another \$1 million would go into shelter phases of the research and development effort. More surveys of existing structures to determine their worth as shelter areas are planned if the money is forthcoming. Buildings already surveyed for this purpose are located in Contra Costa County, Cal.; Tulsa, Okla.; Montgomery, Ala.; and Milwaukee.

The General Services Administration, in its own budget request, sought \$6 million to be spent next year on special fallout shelter construction in existing Federal buildings.

#### **Congress Not So Eager**

Congress apparently is not as enthusiastic about the idea of shelters in government buildings as is the OCDM. The independent offices appropriations bill for fiscal 1961 has carried a provision prohibiting use *continued on page 356* 

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of any of the funds for fallout shelters in government-owned or leased structures "except where specifically provided." The House Appropriations Committee said that construction costs for public buildings were often "unnecessarily" increased because of the OCDM regulation that these buildings include fallout shelters.

"This may be desirable in some instances," the committee's report read, "but such a requirement should be specifically justified for each project."

The committee approved \$144.8 million to begin construction of 20 Federal buildings under the new direct authorization program passed by Congress. It cut budget requests for each project by some 15 per cent, however, five per cent of the reduction applicable to fallout shelters.

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The House committee report dealt with the shelter matter in this way:

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#### Congress Cuts Urban Renewal To Third of Funds Asked

Congressional appropriation of \$17.5 million in supplemental funds for the Urban Renewal Administration's capital grant program puts it back on the track but not nearly as far in that direction as URA would like to have it.

Commissioner David M. Walker pleaded for \$50 million for the balance of this fiscal period, until June 30. Anything short of this, he said, would mean delays, refinancing of borrowings and added interest charges.

URA held \$80 million in demands for earned grant payments that had continued on page 360



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House-Senate conferees trimmed the amount to \$17.5 million after the House had voted no money whatsoever in its action on the second supplemental bill, and the Senate had approved a figure of \$35 million.

#### New Proposal Considered for Community Facilities Aid

Rep. Blatnik (Minn.) introduced new legislation to authorize loans to municipalities for construction of community facilities. Emphasis would be on the building of hospitals, nursing homes, water and sewer works.

The bill carried a loan fund of \$1 billion to be administered by a Commissioner of Community Facilities, was similar in many respects to bills introduced in the same Congress last year.

Rep. Blatnik's argument, "Our local communities are unprepared for the new demands being placed upon them for additional public services. They are simply unable financially to support them. It is essential that we institute a program on a national scale which will provide these communities with loans at reasonable rates of interest with which to finance these projects."

#### FHA Bids Field Offices Push Lower Maintenance Costs

The Federal Housing Administration issued a bulletin to its field directors on computing housing expense data on new construction which stirred the industry like few such bulletins had done in the past.

This directed the directors and their underwriting staffs to encourage builders to use materials of more maintenance-free and permanent character to reduce total monthly housing expense. The purpose was to make it possible for a purchaser to carry a larger mortgage without increasing monthly housing expenses. FHA said this approach would make available addi*continued on page 364* 

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But FHA found that there had developed a tendency on the part of its field personnel to make the estimates without proper attention to these cost differences in maintenance and operation resulting from the use of alternative materials and equipment.

#### Areas to Watch

The field offices were told that generally, FHA estimates of housing expenses would reflect a different cost for repainting the exterior of a frame house as compared with a brick house. But this is not enough, it said. Recently coming to FHA's attention, the bulletin continued, was the verified fact that siding with baked enamel finish has withstood exposure to the weather over a period of 10 years and indicates that repainting probably would not be necessary for 15 years or longer. (The product has been under actual test for 10 years.)

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Apulia, in the heel of Italy's boot, lay for about three centuries in the thrall of, first, the Normans and later the Holy Roman Emperors. Its history is knightly and highly romantic. Its architecture is characterized by Norman vigor, seasoned with Byzantine domes and occasional Saracenic decoration, notably in the pierced-screen rose window of the cathedral at Tróia. The authors warn that seekers after the rewards Apulia offers must be ready to put up with the inconveniences of a region off the beaten tourist track, and, sometimes, to look behind the applied Baroque facades. If the excellent plates, made from the authors' photographs, are indicative, the trip is worth it. But if the trip is too difficult, this book will do nicely.



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#### Are Soaring Sixties Really Sagging?

THINGS SEEM to be returning to rationality on the economic front. Earlier this year, the question "What happened to the Soaring Sixties?" became quite popular, and one or two disillusioned souls were heard to refer to the "Sagging Sixties." But April brought a somewhat rosier glow to the business scene than the first three months of the year had indicated, and May seems to have presented an even brighter picture domestically. (It's too bad the same thing can't be said of international developments.)

THE FACT is that nearly every important economic indicator is at or close to record levels. Why, then, the gloom? First, we can probably blame the rash of glowing forecasts for the Sixties which appeared near the end of last year. Probably the public was led to expect to feel the upsurge precisely on January 1 of this year. Secondly, as we have mentioned here before, there were the patently erroneous forecasts that the steel strike would, when terminated, produce a boom—an absurd expectation on the face of it. Halting production of a basic industry for many months is a very poor foundation for a boom.

IF ONE LOOKS BACK at the view presented last November by the 273 leading economists participating in the annual Dodge Economists' Survey, one finds that the economy now is just about on the course they predicted. These economists, on the average, expected 1960 to be a very good year for business: a record year in fact: but without the vigorous forward momentum that characterizes a boom year. The widely held view that economists have recently been revising their earlier rosy predictions downward has very little basis in fact.

THE RECORD of 1960 to date has been far from depressing. In the first quarter, our Gross National Product passed the half trillion dollar mark for the first time in history. Total industrial production reached an all-time high in January, and has held close to that level since. Consumer spending has been running about 6 per cent above last year, and Easter sales set a new record. The arrival of spring brought a fairly sharp increase in auto sales, leading to increased production schedules. Traveling about the country in April and May, one could not help perceiving a generally better feeling about the outlook on the part of businessmen from coast to coast.

IT SEEMS LIKELY that most economic indicators will tend to edge up gradually in the months ahead. There may be no boom in sight, but there is no room for gloom, either. When the final accounting has been made, 1960 will have been, on the average, the most prosperous year in our history.

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