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Rumor has it (and it has to be a rumor because the AIA staff won’t discuss the matter with “the press”) that the AIA Board has voted overwhelmingly to accept a consent decree altering drastically the code of ethics of the American Institute of Architects and thus, in my view at least, altering the whole concept of professionalism.

The consent decree, rumor has it, would require an addition to the code of ethics permitting (and of course, at least on the game? Any architect has always been the various chapters’ recommended minimum fee schedules have routinely been shaved by even the most professional firms (indeed, have often been exceeded for what the client agrees are good and sufficient reasons). It has never been unethical for a firm to offer to do a job for less than those suggested fees—as long as price alone was not the basis for selection and as long as an architect didn’t sidle up after a commission was signed with a competitor and offer to do it wholesale.

What’s so bad about this, it seems to me, is that agreeing to the consent decree reduces the concept of professionalism to the level of a commodity. Sure, there’s nothing that says the client has to take “the lowest bid” on architectural services—but how’d you like to be the government employee (or school board member) (or corporate vice-president) who has to argue not to take the lowest fee?

All this emphasis on prices at the very first stage of an architectural project would, it seems to me, assume that from the very first stage the scope of the work will not change, there will be no changes in the conditions or laws during the job, and that the architect can 1) make no contribution to programming or 2) needs no time to think. The whole idea of early emphasis on price, it seems to me, takes on the aspects of competitive bidding by architects with very different skills, stiffs, and experience—in the absence of identical documents for an identical end product, which is what contractors bid on the basis of. (Or will, soon, architects be asked to bid on a complete and detailed program established ahead of time by someone else—and how do you like that idea?)

Then there’s the principle of the thing. As I understand consent decrees, signing one is the last thing short of admitting that you’ve been involved in hanky-panky (restraint-of-trade dept.) all along—which if I were the AIA board I’d be mighty reluctant to do.

Well, at last this whole matter will be discussed publicly at the convention. The choice, it seems to me, is a simple one. Either:

1) Refuse to sign the consent decree and continue to fight for the professional concept that fees may be discussed early but should be finally negotiated only after an architect has been selected for his professional qualifications.
2) Agree to sign the consent decree on the basis that it’s not too bad a consent decree and that architects can live with it. And that, it seems to me, equates professional architectural services with buying a used car—caveat emptor and all that. I can’t believe the client will be served by the proposed new process—and if serving the client is not the name of the game then let’s toss in the whole thing.

I certainly don’t insist that you agree with the point of view outlined here (especially since I don’t pretend to have all the facts and a lot of thoughtful men who do have all the facts voted to accept the decree). But I sure hope you’ll try to think out the implications for the profession and let the board know your opinions.

Myself, I’d let the courts decide.

—Walter F. Wagner Jr.

Some random thoughts on open space, environment—and energy

I got back recently from a week in California. The trip was made possible by an invitation from the Southern California Edison Company to talk to its Architects and Engineers Forum (an annual event which this year drew nearly 600 professionals) on the subject of energy conservation. I’d like to talk about that a bit, since I return convinced more than ever that if architects and engineers don’t do something about conserving fuel and power by better design (and by convincing clients that the slightly higher first costs of an energy-conserving building must be paid) we’re really going to be in the black-out soup before long. But first . . .

I got to spend two days poking around Los Angeles, two days poking around San Francisco, and two spectacular (if sometimes hair-raising) days driving between the two—happily in the northbound direction where there is at least another lane of road between you and a practically vertical drop to the shores of the blue Pacific. On the basis of such a barely subsonic trip, I certainly am not going to attempt any detailed analysis of the relative merits of anything (much less the two cities). But I find I do have some purely personal impressions about environmental things in general, herewith presented in no particular order:

• It’s easy to find things to knock about Los Angeles, but it’s also easy to find things that you wish there were more of in your home town: broad streets with broad dividers planted in flowers and flowering shrubs (even the infamous freeways are banked with ivy and flowers, which does a lot for them). There are fountains everywhere—not big famous controversial ones like San Francisco has; just unassuming ones in front of a lot of buildings. I was impressed (notably along Century City’s
main drag and in the garden behind the Century Plaza) that there are a number of pools that you cross on bridges without railings. I found this assumption that I could a) walk across without falling and b) if I did fall in would not instantly sue the owner, refreshing. Similarly, the fountains were squirting away merrily, which seems to be impossible at least in New York because matrons apparently sue over having their dresses spotted.

- Everywhere I went, the streets were clean.
- Route 1 to San Francisco is—as I guess everyone but me knows by now—perfectly beautiful. I was particularly moved by the number of public parks and beaches along the way—all in beautiful spots, beautifully maintained, and open to everyone at a nominal fee. There was, incredibly, no litter anywhere (nor did there seem to be litter baskets except in the picnic groves).
- The most beautiful park we saw was at Point Lobos, just south of Carmel. There’s no sense trying to describe that beauty—but something else impressed me. The park—with sheer rock cliffs dropping down to a lot of Pacific Ocean—has some dangerous places; and it is also full of fragile parts of nature—ancient cypress trees, tiny wildflowers and brittle shrubs. For the protection of people and plant life alike, the paths through the parks have slender wire railings on both sides, with simple signs requesting that park visitors stay between them. Though we were there on a day that saw many visitors (including three bus loads of school children) I saw no one outside those slender and step-overable barriers; no candy wrappers, no cigarette packages. The one Coca-Cola can lodged between two rocks, in that setting, seemed a particular outrage. Again, whether the level of care given that park, despite heavy use, is a credit to the visitors or the result of a different kind of maintenance than in other parks I really couldn’t say.

- The most dramatic example of the Californian’s good sense about saving open space is visible from the top of Mount Diablo, which is the tallest (3,800 feet) mountain near San Francisco. We had the good luck to drive up just before dusk and get (before dark) a panoramic view of the Bay and the city and (after dark) a clear understanding—because they show as dark spaces amidst the lights of city, towns and roads—of the enormous amount of land in the city, across the Golden Gate Bridge, on the ridge behind Berkeley and Oakland, and in the valley that is still green because it is in state, regional, or city parks. And even just outside both cities—and for the hundreds of miles between—there are California’s golden hills (currently green) stretching down to the sea and off into the distance, now populated almost entirely by cattle.

So...

Within a very short space of time you get two very conflicting impressions.

One, of a part of the country with a natural environment of extraordinary and fragile beauty, with climate that is the envy of at least 45 other states, and with a body of citizens that appear to appreciate what they have and to care for it with a rare intensity.

The other impression—this gathered at the Architects and Engineers Forum (as noted, sponsored by one of California’s major utilities)—is the conflict between the environment and the need for more power. Like more and more parts of the country (see RECORD, December 1971), California is staring at power shortages, and the majority of the utility’s efforts to provide new capacity are being blocked or delayed by environmental opposition.

So maybe we can—from those conflicting points of view of environment and energy—see in California a microcosm of what is going to occur across the United States—a tough, and terribly important, conflict between the conflicting needs of energy generation and conservation of the environment. Because of California’s great need for power (on one hand) and its active and very personal involvement in conservation (on the other hand) we see clearly there the conflicts between desires and need, ideals and responsibilities, reality and romanticism, sad and fact, and—very simply—capacity and usage.

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They, of course, have a point. So, of course, have the activists who want the California environment—its hills, its coastline, its water, and its air—unimpaired.

As I said to the audience of architects and engineers (and utility executives) at the Los Angeles Forum, I’m certainly no expert arbiter of conflicting claims over energy generation and environmental conservation. I do know one thing: those ideas cannot be mutually exclusive. Along one part of that coast I raved about earlier in this editorial there is a perfect example of what is no longer acceptable: In Morro Bay—which has in its harbor one of nature’s grand landmarks—576-foot-high Morro Rock—there is a generating plant (not built by SoCalEdison) of similar scale. It dwarfs the town—which is all right for a rock but not all right for a power plant.

Surely we can—with the concern on both sides of the question—find ways to generate the power that we undoubtedly need without disrupting the environment that we all must live with and live in. There are few problems that deserve more attention.

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News in brief

The volume of new construction work designed by architects declined slightly (2 per cent) in February. After adjustments for seasonal variations, the F. W. Dodge Index of architectural construction entering the contract stage stood at 151 (1967 = 100). The weak area in February statistics was apartment building where a 10 per cent seasonally-adjusted decline offset moderate gains made in the non-residential area. After hitting a record rate in December, apartment contracting fell sharply in both January and February. The seasonally-adjusted value for February was 25 per cent below December's peak. In the nonresidential area, industrial and commercial building showed gradual but continued improvement—public buildings and hospitals posted strong gains. One weak area in the expanding nonresidential building market is the educational category which declined 10 per cent during the month.

GSA has requested separate preliminary proposals without price for construction management on three California projects: Federal youth correctional facilities in Los Angeles ($7 million) and San Diego ($4 million), and Federal metropolitan correctional center in San Diego ($12 million). Submissions were due April 17. GSA will request prices from selected proposers after evaluation.

Robert J. Nash, a Washington, D. C. architect, has been awarded the first Whitney M. Young Jr. Citation from The American Institute of Architects. The citation, established in 1971, is being presented to Nash for his significant contribution in initiating and directing the Institute's programs in the area of social concern. He will be presented the Citation in May during the 1972 convention of the 24,000-member organization in Houston.

The New York State Dormitory Authority has been awarded the AIA's 1972 Citation of an Organization. The Authority was created in 1944 and in the past quarter century has financed construction of $1 billion worth of academic facilities involving more than 80 architectural firms. Many of the Authority's projects have won local design awards.

New York architect Richard Meier is the recipient of the 1972 Arnold W. Brunner Memorial Prize in Architecture. The $1000 award is made annually by the American Academy of Arts and Letters and the National Institute of Arts and Letters.

The first Operation Breakthrough homes were occupied last month in Horizon Village, Kalamazoo, Michigan. In a related development, HUD officials announced 24 more new Breakthrough projects to be built in various parts of the nation. These will form part of Phase III which will begin with more than 5000 units already approved.

The National Academy of Design has awarded its highest architectural honor to the Philadelphia firm of Vincent Kling & Partners. For excellence in design of the Armstrong Cork Company's Design Center in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Kling received the Academy's Samuel F. B. Morse Medal.

The Portland Cement Association announces the 1972 White Cement Architectural Awards. Any building that is designed by an architect registered in the United States and that makes significant use of white concrete can qualify provided that construction was completed between January 1 and December 31, 1971. For further information: Portland Cement Association Awards Program, Old Orchard Road, Skokie, Illinois, 60076.

Two international congresses of architects will be held this summer and fall in Brazil/Paraguay and Bulgaria. The 14th Congress of the Pan American Federation of Architects, the oldest international professional society, will convene June 10 in Sao Paulo, Brazil for five days and then shift in a reconvened session to Asuncion, Paraguay extending through June 18. The meeting of American architects will focus on urban deterioration, examining its root causes in order to be able to plan the measures necessary for effective development policies. Richard Sharpe, FAIA, of Norwich, Connecticut, second vice president of the Federation, will lead the United States delegation to the Congress which 3,000 architects are expected to attend. Registration fees are $50 for architects; $30 for personal guests.

Architecture and Recreation is the theme of the 11th World Congress of the International Union of Architects to be held September 25–30, 1972, in Varna, Bulgaria. Between 3,000 and 4,000 architects from all parts of the world are expected to attend this meeting at the Varna Sports Palace. Registration fees are $70 for architects; $50 for students, personal guests, and observers. These prices will increase 2 per cent after June 25.

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With the unveiling of Manhattan Landing, a mile-long housing, commercial, cultural and recreational development to be built on platforms between the bulkhead and pierhead lines extending from the Staten Island Ferry to the Manhattan Bridge, the efforts of a unique and heartening alliance seem about to come to fruition. As Mayor Lindsay said at the press conference, "Manhattan Landing is the result of an unprecedented partnership between government and the private sector."

The Downtown Lower Manhattan Association (DLMA), a group of businessmen, did the first Lower Manhattan plan (under former Mayor Robert Wagner) which goaded the city into doing its first comprehensive area plan. The Office of Lower Manhattan Development—an adjunct of the Mayor's office—was established to implement the City's plan. Directed by Richard Weinstein since 1969, this is the first of Lindsay's horizontal agencies—"a substantial and significant governmental invention," according to Weinstein—designed to coordinate activities of the vertical agencies. Weinstein has worked closely with the DLMA and its chairman, David Rockefeller, who, Lindsay says, "has been the spark plug and the adhesive tape that has pulled together so much of this plan."

Most of the private sector involvement has been realized through the efforts of the DLMA, says Weinstein who emphasizes that the daily professional confrontations between his office and the DLMA solved many problems before they arose. He says the future of cities such as New York depends on cooperation at this scale between public and private sectors.

Manhattan Landing will consist of 88 acres of new land and 25 acres of restoration sprinkled with new structures in the South Street Seaport area.

The participating mortgage formula developed for the first phase of housing—consisting of 3500 units, 1750 on either side of Jeannette Park—is designed to result in rents of $115-120 per room per month in 1976. (Conventional financing would produce rents of $180 per room per month which is not considered marketable.) Private lenders are to supply 75 per cent of the money at below par interest rates, as low as 7 per cent it is hoped. 20 per cent is to come from the Housing Development Corporation which will sell bonds that will be paid back so this is not really public subsidy. 5 per cent will come from developers' equity. The second phase of housing, also 3500 units beside Jeannette Park, may or may not be financed this way but there is an understanding now that this formula will continue to be used.

Another 2500 units are to be built above a municipal garage which will provide the platform for the housing. In this case, a tax abatement formula designed to spur construction on vacant land will also contribute to achieving the low rental range. It is hoped that the development of the South Street Seaport, which will include approximately 500 housing units, will provide the amenities that will reduce the critical turnover of employees in Lower Manhattan which is attributed to a lack of shops, restaurants, theaters, etc. The Seaport will be a self-sustaining cultural enterprise because the revenue from commercial enterprises, such as restaurants and shop stores, on land given to the Seaport by the City, will go back into the Seaport. This will enable them to continue rehabilitating ships and such programs as taking ex-narcotic addicts out in summer to teach them sailing.

This project is expected to house up to 50,000 people—mostly junior executives and middle management—and to bring in $27 million in taxes (on land now earning $500,000) which, it is thought, will contribute more to helping the low-income housing problem than incorporating low-income housing here, which can't be done as there is no subsidy money available.

The architects so far designated are: Davis, Brody & Associates for housing around Jeannette Park developed by DeMatteis and Uris; Horowitz and Chun for the garage and housing above it to be developed by Arlen and Tishman. Edward Larrabee Barnes is doing a feasibility study for the Trump Organization for an office-apartment-hotel-transportation building on the site of the Staten Island Ferry Terminal.

The Board of Estimate will debate the plan on May 17th; then each lease will come up for its approval. A public hearing before the City Planning Commission will take place in early May. Construction of the platforms could begin in 12 to 18 months. Over half of the space should be ready for use by 1976 and completion is expected between 1980 and 1985.

NADER ON HOUSING

Ralph Nader predicted recently that deficiencies in housing would be an issue in the 1970's comparable to the automobile issues of the 1960's. And he said his office would become more and more active in trying to help the aggrieved home owner.

His speech came down hard on FHA standards and what he considers the lack of explicit warranties on housing. FHA was described as the "leaky, shaky umbrella now facing the greatest crisis in its history." There must be an intensive investigation of HUD that results in a jolt felt clear up to the top, he told the industry representatives.

He urged Secretary Romney to:

1) Appoint a well-funded investigative task force to determine exactly how widespread are the FHA malpractices, where they occur, and to develop evidence to be turned over to the Justice Department. This Task Force should have all the legal and accountant expertise it needs.

2) Appoint HUD people to determine what can be done to satisfy the aggrieved parties.

It is apparent that Nader and his raiders will be investigating voluntary standards, and probably building codes too, in their quest for greater consumer input to standards drafting and promulgation.

2 MAJOR RENEWAL FOR ROCHESTER'S SOUTHEAST LOOP

Gruzen & Partners are the architects and planners for a mammoth urban renewal project to be carried out in Rochester, New York under the auspices of UDC-Greater Rochester, Inc., a subsidiary of the New York State Urban Development Corporation. The new town, downtown, will include 3100 units of housing, office space, commercial space, a new school, a theater, and numerous other cultural facilities. A new, 6-acre park, at the heart of the project, will be designed by Halprin and Associates. The developers hope to offer a variety of amenities that will attract people from all social, economic and racial backgrounds.

Construction of the first housing units—(photo above) is now underway. Completion of the entire project is scheduled for 1978.
LIFESTYLE 2000

In Chicago last month, some 300 architects and product designers heard experts from six different fields discuss their views of what we can expect in life styles and environment by the year 2000. Spon- 
sored by American Iron and Steel Institute, the seminar was called "Lifestyle 2000: Designing for the Third Millennium."

One of the six speakers, Barry Commoner, author of the best seller on ecology, The Closing Circle, analyzed causes of our present environmental crisis. He said that a series of adverse displacements have occurred: detergents for soap; synthetic fibers for natural fibers; plastics and aluminum for steel and wood; and chemical fertilizers and pesticides for natural acreage.

In these changes, new technologies have greater impact on the environment than older ones. Resolution of the crisis requires massive redesign of present technology, said Commoner, director of the Center for the Biology of Natural Systems of Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri.

Thomas Martin Payette, president of the Boston architectural firm of Markus, Nocka, Payette and Associates, Inc., spoke on the subject of structures. He said that our society is living in a man-made environment established on the wrong priorities and goals. He is hopeful that the social goals of young architects will help evolve buildings which are more meaningful and more suited to human needs.

Richard E. Paret, assistant vice president of American Iron and Steel Institute, described new and more versatile steels which will continue to help shape the future of civilization. He explained that steel is not one, but a family of 30,000 related materials, half of which were developed in the last decade.

The seminar was presented with the endorsement of the Mid- 
west Chapter of the Industrial Designers Society of America and the Chicago Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. Other speakers were Max Kaplan of the University of Florida, Arthur J. Poulos of Poulos Design Associates, Inc. and Jeffrey T. Hamilton of NASA.

4 NEW ENERGY CONSERVATION AWARD

The Owens-Corning Fiberglass Corporation announces a new award program to encourage an awareness of the need to conserve our natural energy reserves and to reduce environmental pollution. The competition is open to all registered architects and licensed engineers practicing in the United States. Completed buildings or buildings in construction or under design at the date of entry may qualify. Entries must be submitted by August 31, 1972 and a letter of intent to enter must be received by Owens-Corning not later than June 30, 1972. For further information: Energy Conservation Award Program, Owens-Corning Fiberglass Corporation, Fiberglass Tower, Toledo, Ohio, 43659.

KENNEDY SUPPORTS WEST FRONT

Senator Edward M. Kennedy (D., Mass.) strongly supported The American Institute of Architects' opposition to the extension of the West Central Front of the U.S. Capitol, the last remaining original facade of the building. Speaking to the Fifth Annual Public Affairs Conference, sponsored jointly by the AIA and the Consulting Engineers Council, Senator Kennedy proposed a full round of public hearings and debate on what he termed these "ominous new plans."

AT HOME IN THE 80s

To explore lifestyles in the decade to come, BASF Wyandotte Corporation, a large U.S. chemical company, commissioned two teams of designers, sociologists, physicians and economists to plan some domestic interiors for the 1980s. By analyzing the use of space, the teams abandoned conventional concepts of single-use spaces. They favored multi-purpose areas and multi-functional furniture. Food preparation and service units are shown above along with a multi-use workstation.

The design teams were headed by Professor Herbert Hirsche, dean of the Institute of Art in Stuttgart and a leading industrial designer in Germany and Professor Arno Voteller who teaches design at the Institute of Art in Brunswick, Germany.

AIA'S NEW FAQs

The AIA has announced that 79 members have been elected to the College of Fellows, a lifetime honor bestowed for outstanding contribution to the profession. Formal investiture will be held in ceremonies on May 8, during the AIA Convention in Houston. The 1972 Fellows are: Bruce A. Abramson, St. Paul; Gregory Ain, Los Angeles; Richard M. Arnold, Phoenix; Edward F. Bartz, Jr., Belleville, Ill.; Thomas J. Bissett, Columbus, S.C.; Robert Lewis Bliss, Salt Lake City; Robert D. Bolling, Los Angeles; David Rice Braden, Dalls; Joseph Myron Brocato, Alexandria, La.; Harry Alexander Bruno, Oakland, Calif.; James L. Campbell, Baltimore; DeVon M. Carlson, Boulder; Henry Nichols Cobb, New York City; William J. Conklin, New York City; Herman G. Cox, Jr., Fort Worth, Tex.; Raymond David Crites, Cedar Rapids; (Miss) Betty Lou Custer, St. Louis; Leo A. Daly, Omaha; Homer Delawie, San Diego; Martin David Dubin, Chicago; David L. Eggers, New York City; William Lloyd Ensign, Washington, D. C.; John Fisher-Smith, San Francisco; John Frederick Gane, Philadelphia; Abraham W. Geller, New York City; Raymond Girigian, South Pasadena, Calif.; Myron Goldsmith, Chicago; E. Carleton Granbery, Jr., New Haven; Francis S. Haines, Honolulu; Ernest H. Haru, Honolulu; Julian Hoke Harris, Atlanta; Morton Hartman, Chicago; Frank L. Hope, Jr., San Diego; Fred E. Hummel, Sacramento; W. Byron Ireland, Columbus, Ohio; Joe J. Jor- dan, Philadelphia; Carl F. W. Kaehler, Jr., Rochester, N.Y.; William Louis Larson, Omaha; Richard R. Leitch, Newport Beach, Cal.; Eason Harris Leonard, New York City; Allen Yuen Lew, Fresno, Cal.; Robert J. J. Locatelli, Atlanta; Louis R. Lundgren, St. Paul; Leslie B. Mabrey, Corpus Christi, Texas; William Marshall, Jr., Norfolk; Robert B. Martin, Lincoln City, Ore.; Carrell S. McNulty, Jr., Stamford; Robert C. Metcalfe, Ann Arbor; Maynard W. Meyer, Milwaukee; Henry Foster Miller, Orange, Conn.; Hugo V. Neuhaus, Jr., Houston; Julius Victor Neuhaus III, Houston; Ray Yuku Okamoto, San Francisco; Raymond Charles Ovesrat, Chicago; Patrokllos John Papadopulos, Chicago; H. Morse Payne, Jr., Cambridge; William Merriman Peirce, Houston; Mark A. Pfller, Milwauk ee; Darrell D. Rippeteau, Water- town, N.Y.; Edward John Romieniec, College Station, Tex.; Frederick William Salogga, Decatur, Ill.; Carlos R. Sanz, Sanurace, Puerto Rico; John H. Schrubein, Chicago; Nils Mark Schweizer, Winter Park, Fla.; Wallie E. Scott, Jr., Houston; Hugh Shepley, Boston; Joseph Newton Smith III, Atlanta; Macon S. Smith, Raleigh; Robert Stanton, Carmel, Cal.; Doug- las E. Steinman, Jr., Beaumont, Tex.; Walter Stromquist, Palo Alto, Calif.; Edward Sullam, Honolulu; Gene R. Summers, Chicago; Alan Yamato Taniguichi, Austin, Tex.; Anderson Todd, Houston, Tex.; Wilhelm Viggio von Moltke, Cambridge; John Louis Wilson, New York City; Clark D. Wold, St. Paul; Thomas W. D. Wright, Washington, D.C.

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Architecture as Landscaping at 1972 Summer Olympics in Munich

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In addition to instigating four kilometers of new subway construction, 34 kilometers of road building or improvement and 32 bridges, the Olympic development will provide Munich with permanent sports, entertainment and recreation facilities, the largest college of physical education in Europe, and 4800 condominium and lease apartments designed by Heinle, Wischer & Partner and Eckert & Wirsing.

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Charles Luckman Associates, national planning, architecture and engineering firm announces that David Margolf, AIA has joined their firm as director of project management.

Eliot Noyes and Associates announces that Alan Eliot Goldberg has been appointed senior associate in the architectural department.

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Financial management of the professional firm

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"Profit has no place in the practice of architecture!" That was the laudable sentiment repeatedly expressed in response to a recent national survey. But sentiment, unhappily, does not provide the cash required for extra research and design effort, nor the working capital required for growth and for large projects, nor for the salaries currently demanded by both principals and employees. The question should not be whether to make a profit but rather how to make a profit sufficient to those needs.

Since the various aspects of financial management—profit planning, fees, accounting, management controls, taxes, and cash management—have been covered in detail in a number of full-length books, this article will concentrate on providing a brief overview and setting the general guidelines for answering the "how?" of financial planning and control.

The key steps to profit planning

The first steps, as noted in the first two articles of this series, are 1) a statement of goals and 2) a plan for their achievement. The process of profit planning is discussed in the AIA publication Profit Planning in Architectural Practice, but the essential elements are: a clear definition of the firm’s and its principal’s financial goals, a budget for every area of the firm’s operation and an understanding of the cost-volume-profit interrelationship.

There are no correct or incorrect goals, but typically design firms try to allocate 20 per cent of their accrued fees as pre-tax profit over and above the principals’ base salaries. As several AIA studies have shown, however, most firms are actually able to achieve only eight to ten per cent allocation. But according to the published profit achievements of some firms, there is no reason why 20 per cent should not be an achievable goal for most offices.

The percentage objective will, of course, vary somewhat with the second financial goal—the salary target for the principals and staff. Outside of the large firms in the major cities, most respondents feel $20,000 to $30,000 salary plus profit sharing is reasonable compensation for principals. Staff salary targets are, of course, considerably lower even for key personnel. Considering the education, effort, skill, liability, responsibility and investment required of a principal, prevailing small-office targets are too low, and the salaries paid to employees are often absurd even from the selfish management viewpoint of morale and turnover control. More reasonable objectives will, of course, not change this situation overnight, but as a guideline for change, they are an important first step.

Other factors which also have a significant impact on the appropriate profit target are growth plans, client types, and related factors. For example, a firm with ambitious growth plans should achieve a high level of profits to support its increasing working capital requirements, but it also has to spend more in business development, research and other areas to stimulate the growth.

A firm that does most of its design work on large commercial or industrial structures should be able to set a higher profit target than one specializing in single-family homes. Inherent profitability varies significantly from one building type to another, with degree of complexity.

With these variables in mind, look back through last year’s expenses and, based on this record and expected changes during the coming year, develop a realistic twelve-month projection for each area of expense. This analysis should distinguish between direct (project related) costs and indirect (overhead) expenses.

The analysis must then be tied to a budgeted fee volume, for the essential concept in a profit plan is the interrelationship of cost, volume and profit. In the most basic terms this concept can be summarized as follows: a firm makes a profit when the sum of the gross margin (the amount left after all direct project costs) of all earned fees (the amount of the fees earned on all projects whether billed or not) exceeds the firm’s indirect costs. In other words, a firm with a constant overhead can make a profit by either having a low volume with a high gross margin, a high volume with a lower gross margin, or, of course, a high volume and high margin.

A firm’s profit plan should be a flexible guide for determining at various points during the year which of three basic actions should be employed to keep the firm on target: 1) cutting direct costs to increase the margin, 2) cutting indirect costs to lower the overhead, and/or 3) drumming up new commissions, even at lower margin as in residential projects, to provide the necessary volume. This may seem very basic, but most firms still think that to win the battle of profitability on every project is the only way to win the war of profitability for the firm as a whole. It is one way, of course, but widely fluctuating volume is as great a threat to profitability as is narrow margin.

Fee structures are part of business development

Having developed a set of goals and a plan, the next step is obtaining the required workload. Although the basic guidelines for business development were outlined in the previous article of this series, one essential aspect, not always considered as a part of business development, needs further discussion: establishing an appropriate method and level of compensation.

More than 80 per cent of design professionals’ fees are set on the basis of a percentage of construction cost. Among the many shortcomings of this method is the fact that it is so arbitrary that it often does not represent an equitable (to either the owner or the architect) compensation for the services provided. As a rule of thumb, many good clients pay too much and most bad ones pay far too little.

Architects are finding now that an increasing number of clients are receptive to many of the other methods discussed in another AIA publication, Methods of Compensation for Architectural Services. Of the dozen ways outlined in that book, we strongly recommend the professional-fee-plus-expenses approach developed in accordance with a careful analysis of how much work and associated cost will be required by the project. If the client insists, a guaranteed maximum should be established at least ten per cent above any acceptable lump sum or percentage fee. The argument here, of course, is that the fee-plus-expenses method provides the client with an opportunity to save on the architect’s fee if he helps the job run smoothly; but the price of this opportunity is a protective cushion for the architect if the client and project prove unusually difficult.

The current economic slowdown has also re-emphasized one more argument for
a method other than the percentage of actual construction cost. Projects are once again coming in under the budget and design firms are finding their expected income seriously cut.

Even when the project cost runs over budget, many clients will refuse to pay the increase. Further, if the architect's consultants are also on a percentage, overruns on their part of the project may also seriously reduce the architect's expected gross margin. Even if the client is not sophisticated enough to analyze the full consequences of a proposed method of compensation, the design professional should be able to explain them.

**Accounting and management controls can make the difference**

Assuming that the firm has work, and has established equitable fees, the major problem remains how to control the firm's own operating costs. Good accounting and controls do not make money for a firm, but they can be just as important as a successful business development effort in preventing losses.

There are two basic aspects of this area of financial management controls; one is procedural and the other is a matter of firm policy. The procedural aspect is covered in sufficient detail in still another AIA publication, *Financial Management for Architectural Firms—A Manual of Accounting Procedures*. Although every firm has some unique requirements that will lead to deviation from this recommended format, the AIA book's basic accounting procedures will be adequate.

What the AIA book does not cover are some less technical aspects of accounting such as who should do it, how much should it cost, and when should it be automated. The answers to each depend, of course, on the firm's long-term objectives, the complexity of its operations, and, most of all, the quality of personnel involved.

Some rules of thumb are: 1) A small firm (less than ten) probably should use an outside accountant coordinating with a combination secretary/bookkeeper within the firm. 2) If a firm plans to grow much beyond ten, it should plan on hiring an experienced full-time bookkeeper who can draw support during peak periods from a secretary/bookkeeper and advice from a local CPA. 3) If the firm intends to grow beyond 25, it should consider a business manager of at least associate status supported by a full-time bookkeeper and an automated accounting system.

The financial management in large firms should be directed by a full partner with extensive management education, experience, and interest. Again, a very rough guideline for cost would be that the total cost of the financial management area of the firm would run between four and eight per cent of the firm's gross volume. This guideline does not vary much with the size of the firm, for there are few efficiencies of scale. The larger the firm, the more formal is the reporting required.

As a firm's size increases, an increasing amount of the accounting burden should be transferred to a computer. The exact timing will depend on the quality of the firm's staff—the better the staff, the later automation is appropriate. But a growing firm should seriously consider automation when it sees that it will eventually have more than twenty-five employees. The basic reason for this change is that the principals begin to lose their once-intimate feel for all aspects of the firm's operations at this point, and, therefore, must rely on reports in addition to personal observation in order to continue effective management.

**Management controls needed as firm size increases**

Most of the new reports that will become necessary at the twenty-five man level are management controls rather than basic accounting records. The two AIA publications on Profit Planning and Financial Management also cover this subject—as does one of the American Management Association's better books, *Management Controls for Professional Firms*. While all of these publications have slightly different formats or emphases which reflect the management style and requirements of different firms, there are a number of basic elements common to all control programs. The most important of these can be summarized in brief as follows:

1. A monthly, accrual basis, profit and loss statement
   Most firms do not get such a statement or if they do it is on a cash basis. Cash-basis accounting is adequate for very small firms, taxes, and cash flow purposes; but it is a dangerously misleading basis for management reporting. For example, on the cash basis the firm usually loses money while it is growing, makes abnormally high profits when it first levels off or whenever a big check comes in, and appears profitable during the first months of decline—all because cash income is out of phase with cash expenses. Therefore, if a firm maintains cash-basis books for tax purposes, it should make the appropriate accrual adjustments when it develops its monthly statements.

2. The balance sheet
   Most firms do get this report on a regular basis but it is rarely useful as a management tool.

3. Income projections
   All firms should maintain at least a twelve-month projection of their current backlog of signed contracts to help in manpower and business development planning. One of the most common management short-comings among professional firms is a failure to foresee and take corrective measures for impending peaks and valleys in the workload.

4. Project Cost Controls
   The most commonly discussed but least understood tools are the project cost controls. As was pointed out earlier, job profit—except on a gross margin or "contribution"—basis can be a misleading factor. Therefore, the important thing to control is direct project costs—payroll, consultant fees, travel, reproduction, etc.

   The first step in direct cost control is the establishment of a budget for each project phase. Just as with the project fee, the budget should reflect a realistic evaluation of the time and expense involved. The calculation should not be some arbitrary allocation in accordance with some formula. Many firms, for example, use the AIA phase-payment breakdown, but this tends to front load the income for most firms and, thus, makes the later phases look even worse than they normally would.

   If someone, such as a project manager, is to be held responsible for the budget, he should be involved in its preparation. If he is not, he will claim that any overruns were due to the fact that he had to live with an unrealistic budget which he did not set.

   Once the project is underway, the control system should provide a monthly summary of the phase costs for the most recent month, costs to date, a calculation of the cost to date divided by the budget, and an estimate of the per cent complete. If the cost-to-date/budget calculation exceeds the per cent complete, the project may be in trouble and should be watched.

5. Indirect Cost Controls
   By themselves, direct cost controls are not fully effective if they are not accompanied by indirect or overhead cost controls. Each area of indirect expense should be budgeted for a twelve-month period and monitored on a monthly and year-to-date basis. Any overruns or variances from the budget should be noted and followed up.

   The important monitoring consideration is that the reports should highlight the variable expense items—telephone, employee downtime, travel and entertainment, etc.—for most indirect expenses are fixed and as such do not require much monitoring.

**Profit and management decisions can be affected by tax laws**

Assuming that the firm sets the right goals, maintains the project volume and controls costs, it will make a profit. Because of the existing tax rates, however, as much as half of that profit can be spent on taxes. Therefore, it is extremely worthwhile to have a thorough understanding of the current tax laws.

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Construction outlook 1972: first update

The new directions that were taken in national economic policy last August 15th have begun to show some results. In the opening quarter of 1972, measurable progress was being made against several of the broad goals of the New Economic Program: Faster growth—the previously sluggish recovery of industrial production accelerated in January and February. Unemployment—the jobless rate edged down from December’s 6.0 per cent to 5.7 per cent by February. Inflation—Prices were still showing the expected “post-freeze bulge,” but Phase II was nevertheless providing an important degree of control over inflation. Even the blistering pace of construction costs had slowed significantly.

With the office of the chief executive up for grabs in November, it’s a fairly safe bet that we won’t be seeing any major shift in economic policy as long as the NEP appears to be moving us toward the ideal election platform of full employment and stable prices.

The common thread of most forecasts for the 1972 economy (ours included) is that the tax cuts and public spending measures adopted last fall will help to accelerate the tenuous recovery that has been limping along for more than a year now. As momentum builds, we should come close to realizing the potential gain of $100 billion, or 9% per cent, in total output this year. And with prices under the restraint of Phase II controls, real growth this year will be a healthy 6 per cent, while inflation is held to something like 3-3½% per cent.

This is still a moderately bullish forecast, but it has been gaining credibility over the past couple of years, but no more than should be expected at the stage of the business cycle we’ve now reached.

So how will 1972’s economic environment affect construction markets? It will set in motion the reversal of some of 1971’s extreme trends.

This year’s economic conditions should encourage a fairly strong rise in nonresidential construction contracting—last year’s soft spot. Public works are being stepped up to help accelerate recovery; and as recovery accelerates, we’ll get more industrial and commercial building. Housing has peaked, and will be diminishing in each successive quarter, even though this year’s total starts will be almost identical with 1971’s record volume. This sequence isn’t much different from the way we saw 1972 shaping up last October, and it means that for the time being the Dodge Construction Outlook needs only a few interim adjustments.

Contracting for industrial buildings now looks even a bit stronger than it did only a few months ago. The latest McGraw-Hill survey of manufacturers’ capital spending plans shows they’ve upped their sights by more than a billion dollars just since last fall, despite low operating rates.

Commercial building is also gaining, even though there’s not much life in the overbuilt office category right now. Store and warehouse construction is where all the action is, and it can be reported that a dependable old relationship is alive and well (and may be going on at your local shopping center). It’s the one where a spurt of homebuilding normally leads to the need for more retailing facilities after a short interval. In early 1972, we’re getting most of the impact on store building of last year’s housing boom. With another big residential year in progress, this recent rise in store contracting isn’t about to fade.

Institutional building—with hospital/health facilities rising sharply and educational construction declining—is behaving about as expected. (Note that in educational building it’s not that this year is turning unduly weak. Rather, it was last year’s gain that was out of line with the trend of this essentially no-growth market. Things are now returning to normal after a 1970/71 aberration that had more to do with financial conditions than with the basic need for educational facilities.

In total, the 1972 outlook for nonresidential buildings remains much as before—a gain of 8 per cent in contract value, paced by the recovering industrial and commercial sectors.

Residential building, however, is doing a bit better than our earlier expectation, and the October forecast could now use some upward revision. In recognition of this year’s hot first quarter, we’ve raised our 1972 housing forecast by 150,000 units to a total just about equal to 1971’s record 2.1 million units. But we still can’t go along with those who are looking for a volume in the 2.2 to 2.3 million range. Our outlook is for a gradually diminishing rate of starts through the year, reaching about 1.8 million by the fourth quarter. The value of 1972’s residential building will be up 4 per cent, due partly to higher costs, and partly to a slight shift of the mix toward one-family units.

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George A. Christie
Vice President and Chief Economist
McGraw-Hill Information Systems Company
The only real news in multizones this year

AAF Mark 13
Here's what it is, how it works.

The Mark 13 multizone eliminates that "big box" effect on the roof. Through the use of decorative fascia on a support system, units can now be blended into the overall effect of the building's architecture.

Roof integrity is completely protected because the facade system is supported by the Mark 13 unit itself. Sixteen vertical supports are welded onto AAF's exclusive pentapost framing. Arm supports are sized for a mansard effect or a straight vertical facade. Mounting channels are bolted to the arm supports.

AAF can supply a standard aluminum alloy fascia in ten contemporary colors — sandstone, brick red, gold, green, blue, black, tan, light bronze, medium bronze and dark bronze. The support system can also be paneled in an endless number of other facade materials — plastic, steel, laminates, fiberglass, reinforced vinyl, ornamental screening or decorative treillage. The building design itself generally determines the material.

It's the end of the big box era in roof mounted multizones.

That's not all the news. The Mark 13 unit itself is new. For example: solid state controls for reliability and ease of programming. There's a new refrigerant/reheat capability to supply "free" heat to some zones without activating the heating section in marginal and summer weather. A new high efficiency gas furnace, with a fool-proof forced draft system which eliminates problem-causing vent fans, is among four choices of heat.

All in all, the Mark 13 is unsurpassed in engineering advances and dependability.


Better Air is our Business.

Facade frames are fastened directly to the rigid steel framework of the multizone unit so that no additional supporting structure is required. The frames project far enough to permit access by service personnel for all normal service functions without removal of fascia panels.

The architectural facade system consists of the facade frame and the fascia. The frame consists of vertical supports, arm supports and mounting channels.

American Air Filter
AIR HANDLING PRODUCTS AND SYSTEMS

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BUILDING COSTS

The following unit prices are representative of work in the New York metropolitan area and can be adjusted for local estimates by application of the Cost Differential column in the table at right (Atlanta = .78 times listed price, etc.).

Removal
- Demolition of minor buildings
- Remove concrete
- Remove masonry, 12-in. exterior brick
- Masonry, 12-in. exterior brick
- Remove concrete, 6-in. slab on ground with mesh
- Remove masonry, 12-in. exterior brick, suspended slabs & beams
- Remove masonry, 12-in. exterior brick
- Patch holes through concrete walls, 12-in. thick
- MASONRY PLACED IN A GIVEN CITY FOR A CERTAIN PERIOD MAY BE COMPARED WITH COSTS IN ANOTHER PERIOD BY DIVIDING ONE INDEX INTO THE OTHER; IF THE INDEX FOR A CITY FOR ONE PERIOD (1971) DIVIDED BY THE INDEX FOR A SECOND PERIOD (1969) EQUALS 133%, THE COSTS IN THE ONE PERIOD ARE 33% HIGHER THAN THE COSTS IN THE OTHER. ALSO, SECOND PERIOD COSTS ARE 75% OF THOSE IN THE FIRST PERIOD (1969 = 100) OR THEY ARE 25% LOWER IN THE SECOND PERIOD.

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This pioneering lighting/ceiling installation in Tacoma is an 11-month wonder.

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Furniture without edges for a sometimes sharp, hard-edged world. Sculptured Fiberglass shells cradle deep, double-thick cushions and rest on gently contoured, almost unseen, acrylic bases.

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In early 1964, the Guelph administration hired Project Planning Associates Limited to prepare the master development plan for its 800-acre site. Sert, Jackson and Associates and Richard Dober served as consultants on campus planning. The basic concept agreed upon by the planners was that the new university be designed as a town. There were six reasons for this: economy in land use and servicing costs; reduction of circulation time for students, faculty and staff; the desire to integrate the existing valuable buildings with their disparate scales, colors, textures and uses into a satisfying unity with the new development; the belief that in all places and at all times an urban environment has been a fruitful milieu for social and intellectual stimulus; the recognition that the charm of towns depends on the integration of diverse but thoughtful design; and the fact that 25 thousand people working in a confined area form a town, whether this is recognized and planned for or not.

The over-all circulation plan of the university reduces the need for automobile circulation by resident students and staff, and by commuting students once they have driven to school. The academic center is located along a main north-south pedestrian spine established by the master plan. A secondary pedestrian axis extends to the east and west. As the master plan (left) indicates, existing campus open spaces are reinforced and new open spaces created.
The first floor level of the Arts Building contains nine large classrooms, a lecture room and drama workshop, several seminar rooms and an outdoor stage. The tower wing at this level contains reading rooms, meeting rooms and student club rooms. Total cost of the building without furnishings was $21 per sq ft.

The Arts Building (this page and opposite) and the Library (overleaf) are the first buildings to be completed in the new academic core of the campus. This reinforced concrete structure combining brick with precast cladding has 59 classrooms, 17 special purpose rooms including studios and lecture halls and 276 faculty offices. As the photo (left) indicates, the Arts Building has been related to the older Tudor-style administration building in such a manner that it forms a well-scaled street. The photos (right and below) show the relationship of the building to the brick-surfaced north-south pedestrian spine. Wherever possible, fine old trees and existing campus green have been emphasized and preserved as can be seen in the photo at bottom left on the opposite page.

The tower shown at right is the office portion of the Arts Building. The two remaining wings of the U-shaped structure combine two- and three-story elements as can be seen in the photo (left). The newly designed buildings embrace a certain range of heights, determined by their uses and related to the scales of the existing campus buildings. In general, the new class and laboratory buildings will have a height of three stories since they are conceived as walk-up, rather than elevator buildings.

The Arts Building incorporates an internal pedestrian way for use in bad weather. For the purpose of unifying the central campus, this internal way will be developed in as many buildings as possible to facilitate circulation in both north-south and east-west directions.

The McLaughlin Library is shaped by its position in the master plan. The court which it defines in conjunction with the Arts Building is controlled by the diagonal placement of Massey Hall, an older building which has been preserved. The angular projection in the Library plan (below) corresponds to this diagonal (see master plan, page 89).

The Library shares a common language of forms with the Arts Building. Both buildings have a scale and character which expresses the activities accommodated. The vocabulary of materials for both buildings is in a color range which harmonizes with the older stone buildings.

The Library has been constructed of poured-in-place reinforced concrete with precast cladding. It has been designed for 650 thousand volumes and accommodates well over three thousand readers. It is a subject oriented, open access library with reader space provided among the book stacks. Reference and other information facilities are located on each subject floor. Unlike most libraries, it lacks a central service core. Four corner towers contain the essential services.

All library furniture was specially designed for this library (see photos opposite page, bottom). The interior lighting is of interest. The principal lighting fixtures are specially designed light box units at the top of the columns. Except in a few locations, no overhead lighting has been installed. Instead, an underfloor electrical power distribution system provides power for fluorescent lights located on individual book stacks and carrels.


The Library has six floors. The third and fourth floors are similar in plan (right) and provide stack and reading space for the humanities on the second floor and social sciences on the third, as well as temporary space for university administration. The main floor is devoted to technical processes, general reference space, a fine arts wing and a reading area. Physical, natural and applied sciences are on top floors.
Load bearing masonry was used for the vertically aligned short-span living quarters. Poured-in-place concrete was used for the larger spans and the vertically irregular structures such as the streets, bridges and dining halls.
Housing Complex 'B' is located at the southern end of the north-south pedestrian spine. Another dormitory unit has been constructed at the northern end, and dormitory groups have been planned at the far ends of the east-west pedestrian spine. Instructional facilities and communal buildings are sited within the inner ring road which defines an area which can be traversed in ten minutes walking time. The four dormitory groups at the compass points lie just beyond the inner ring road.

Housing Complex 'B' lies just to the east of the major campus entrance. In plan it is in the form of six V's, forming a uniform grid system. Each residence is entered from a dining hall and common room complex joined to the residence by an enclosed bridge which spans the inner ring road of the campus. The bridges lead to an interior street which joins all the houses at the third floor level. From this street, the students have access by stairs to four bedroom floors above, and two below. As the plan indicates, basic social groups of six and 12 are combined into houses of approximately 46 students, under the supervision of a married faculty member or senior student. Density is 140 persons per acre with over 60 per cent in single rooms.

The great majority of the bedrooms each has its entrance, window and closet at one of the four corners, making four clear walls available for furniture. These rooms interlock in clusters of four. On the opposite side of the corridors are rectangular single and double bedrooms. On the fourth and fifth floors these bedrooms form deep overhangs creating a facade (left) which is different in its expression from the facade created by the clustered units.
The Physical Sciences Complex is located on the west side of a quadrangle which will be, when completed, the heart of the campus. It is closely related to the Library to the north and to the proposed university center to the east and to the south. A compact structure, it increases the intensity of use and the urban character of the academic core, encouraging communication and contact, reducing walking distance in harsh weather and facilitating optimum scheduling of its own classrooms and laboratories as well as those of nearby buildings. The new complex is directly attached to the older chemistry and microbiology building, forming, a continuum which ties the older structure more closely to the academic core. An objective of the master plan is to draw all of the campus buildings into a visual continuum so that they may cease to be a series of isolated facades.

The basic planning concept provides a central corridor on each floor lined by offices and laboratories with the mechanical services stacked in continuous vertical shafts serving each floor. The stepped-back section of the west face (photo at right middle) expresses the interior program requirements and permits light to penetrate to the courtyard below. The triangulated windows minimize the exposure to east and west sunlight but provide good visibility from within.

The facilities provided for in the chemistry wing include laboratories, offices, lecture rooms and ancillary areas, all contained in three levels. The physics wing houses lecture theaters, laboratories, seminar rooms, offices and administration areas on five levels. The university bookstore has been included in the Physical Sciences Complex on the ground floor to generate activity.


The view (opposite page) is taken toward the Library showing one of its service shafts. The cantilevered projection of a portion of the Physical Sciences Complex facade, which can be seen in this picture, is a lecture hall with a sloped floor. The main entrance of the building is adjacent. The Physical Sciences Building is constructed of poured-in-place concrete columns with a one-way ribbed slab floor. The columns are bush-hammered and the exterior is precast textured concrete, sandblasted to impart warmth.
The entrance (left) leads to the two-story lobby (below left). Lecture facilities of the type shown (below right) can, taken together, accommodate a total of 750 students. On the interior the cast-in-place walls are sandblasted. Partitions are of painted concrete block. Ceilings are removable metal slats. Flooring is generally vinyl in corridors, vinyl asbestos in laboratories and quarry tile in the lobby. Carpeting is used in the offices and theaters.
Downtown shopping with suburban amenity

Worcester Center, a handsome new commercial complex in an old Massachusetts town, is proving that "downtown" doesn't have to die. The Center designed by Weldon Becket and Associates, has all the facilities and conveniences of a suburban shopping center plus the strong potential for becoming an important community focus. It provides an unusual and exciting experience in urban shopping.
This handsome new complex of buildings in the redevelopment area of Worcester, Massachusetts is more than the shopping center it looks to be, for it is the catalyst that is reversing the trend to the suburbs which has caused the decay and deterioration of the downtown business district of the city. Physically, too, it is more than a shopping center: by location and by design, it is intended to become the focus for community activities of various kinds. Its most extraordinary feat, however, is that it brings to downtown the facilities and amenities of a suburban shopping center. It has both the parking—4300 spaces under cover—and the direct access from an expressway that have made the suburban center successful. But by making the center a fine environment in which to be, the developers—The Berenson Corporation and Beacon Construction Company—have provided the community with a major source of pride and a facility which it can use in many ways. This first phase of the Center includes two office buildings, two major department stores, two five-story parking structures, four retail shop buildings and—the centerpiece of the complex—a great two-story glass-roofed street, the Galleria.
A new four-lane ring road encircles the Center, linking it with two downtown areas and Expressway I-290. Adjacent to the ring road are two five-story parking structures (right), strong elements in the overall design and important as buffers against traffic noise. The basic scheme was developed from a master plan by Sert, Jackson and Associates commissioned by the Worcester Redevelopment Authority.
The sparkling Galleria with its vaulted skylight of white precast concrete arches, steel ribs and bronze Plexiglas, 60 feet above the floor at its center, is the center's special delight. Along its 475-foot length are some of the $600,000 worth of art works selected as integral parts of the architectural design by Annie Damaz: six fountains, benches, planters, moving light sculptures, and a mosaic-patterned brick floor by Paul Friedberg; stainless steel sculptures by Paul van Ringelheim, suspended from the center of the vault; nine ball-light fixtures (and the overall lighting which is as effective by night as the day-lighting is by day) by Seymour Evans & Associates; directional and informational pylons by Chermayeff and Geismar; and a sunburst over the escalator at the main entrance by Otto Piene.

The Galleria, with its limited palette of colors and materials, its landscaping, fountains, light and art points up the sophisticated character appropriate to a downtown urban location. Lacking street frontage, Jordan Marsh makes entrance from garage (above) interesting.
A basic decision of the architects and collaborating artists was to use the circle as a motif for design. Paul Friedberg's mosaic paving (above) of light brick, laid in concentric circles, reflects this as do the information and direction pylons (below) of Chermayeff and Geismar. Light fixtures, planters, fountain bases, also use the motif. As the Center develops further—a third office building is under way, a hotel is in planning—it is expected to expand its role in the community.
Australia is following the lead of the United States in the rapidity of its urbanization and technological development, and in the extent of its exploitation of natural resources. Although her total population of under 13 million is only slightly larger than that of New York City alone, Australia shares many of its major environmental problems with the United States and other more densely populated advanced nations in the rest of the world. At a conference held in Sydney last May, which was sponsored by the Royal Australian Institute of Architects, leading Australian, United States, British and Japanese professionals discussed the future consequences of today's unplanned growth, and proposed strategies to circumvent its negative effects. Since Australia's problems are essentially global in nature the ideas and solutions presented at the conference should be of interest to architects and planners everywhere.

Australia's problems are those of the planet Australia is a sparsely populated island of three million square miles with fewer than thirteen million inhabitants, 88 per cent of whom are urban dwellers—a higher percentage than in any country in the world. Australia's major cities—Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Canberra, Hobart, Adelaide, Perth and Darwin—have an aggregate population which exceeds that of New York City alone by only a few million. It is a white man's country, Western in its institutions, with few racial or cultural disharmonies. The Australian government carefully monitors the ethnic composition of its immigration. Its native aborigines represent only one per cent of the population and although they are unspeakably treated and becoming restless, they are not yet organized to effectively confront white Australia and may never be.

Australia is experiencing rapid economic development and intense foreign investment in its rich mineral deposits, on the part of the U.S., Great Britain and Japan. Foreign economic ownership and control has brought post-war prosperity and a high level of employment. Unemployment has for years ranged between one and 1.5 per cent as compared to the current U.S. rate of 6.1 per cent and Canada's 6.6 per cent. Inflation has become noticeable only in the 1970's, the cost of living increasing by seven per cent in 1971.

Such bare statistics suggest that, except for the current inflation, Australia is a good place to live and work and is getting better all the time. Why then did the Royal Australian Institute of Architects on the occasion of its Centenary Convention last May, decide to hold an international conference ominously entitled "The Consequences Of Today"? Because many of Australia's leading architects recognize that the quality of life for the Australian population as a whole has not increased to a degree commensurate with economic growth, and that on the contrary, it has declined disastrously in ways which parallel the environmental deterioration of more highly industrialized countries. In planning the centenary conference the architects hoped that solutions proposed for Australia's new problems would be found applicable to countries in all stages of development.

Poverty

Four per cent of urban Australians struggle to survive below a severe standard of need, and eight per cent exist below a slightly higher income floor. At least an additional eight per cent can be classified as poor and thus 16 per cent of the white Australian population form an impoverished class.

As in the U.S., technologically or economically displaced rural workers are migrating to the cities. Rural Australia is in an unprecedented crisis. Great Britain on entering the European Common Market ceases to be a market for farm exports and

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China has stopped buying wheat. Because of a decline in the wool market due to the development of synthetic fibers, the average wool-grower owes more money than his land is worth. Australia is totally unprepared for rural depopulation. No facilities exist for training the dispossessed farmer in the skills he will need to join the industrial work force. Abandoned rural housing is not being replaced in the cities, thus exacerbating the existing housing shortage.

**The housing sprawl**

It has been claimed that in Australia more people own their own single-family detached houses than in any other country in the world. Only a very small percentage live in flats. This is not as comfortable as it sounds. Well-to-do Australians lead unostentatious lives by U.S. or European standards in comparatively modest and pleasant suburban villas. But the lower middle class and blue collar workers live in economically segregated housing often at great distances from the husband's place of work. On the outskirts of Sydney new housing developments are being built without roads, shops, schools, clinics, day care centers, facilities for community life or any other amenities. The houses are occupied by one-car families. Mass transportation is inadequate. The husband takes the car to work leaving his wife and children stranded all day long in loneliness and mud.

Australians suffer from soaring land and construction costs, and inadequate roads and sewers. Only in Canberra, Australia's famous Commonwealth capital planned by the American architect Walter Burley Griffin, are new houses linked to an existing network of paths, roads, sewers, parks, schools, clinics and community centers.

**Pollution of air, water and land**

On some days the air in traffic-jammed downtown Sydney contains 40 parts per million of carbon monoxide—more than usually occurs in any city of the U.S.—even Los Angeles. Australia's limited water resources are being polluted by industrial and urban waste. Mining of her vast mineral riches has gotten out of hand.

The eastern coast of Australia possesses two regions of great ecological and scenic wealth which are also priceless recreational lands for coastal city dwellers. Both are threatened with total ruin by foreign-owned mining interests. The Blue Mountains, which can be reached by train from Sydney in a little more than an hour, are part of Australia's national park system. So far, however, only engaged citizen protest has prevented their being mined by U.S. companies for low-grade coal to be sold to Japan.

Two thousand miles of the east Australian coast with its surfing beaches and sand dunes are being mined for rutile (a source of titanium) causing the ruin of exotic plants, the extinction of wild life, the erosion of

Sydney has a magnificent harbor, ideal for boating. Australians still consider it clean enough to swim in, behind shark nets. From across the water looking beyond Argyle Place toward North Sydney, it is a splendid sight as are the Sydney Opera House (now scheduled for completion in 1974) and the Harbor Bridge as seen from the deck of a ferry (middle). Even the downtown skyline with its ill-assorted collection of post-war office buildings becomes scenic when mitigated by water and distance (right).

Unspoiled country like the Blue Mountains is not far away. They can be reached by train in a little over an hour. Weekend cottages are within walking distance of the small mountain stations along the way. These little vacation towns that have grown up along the railway are a 19th century legacy, still intact, which make it possible to own or rent a mountain cottage without also owning or using a car. These mountains are endangered by mining interests (see text) and will be protected only through citizen vigilance. The old church is only one of many beautiful or curious buildings to be found in the countryside a few hours drive from Sydney.
The city is beginning to respect its architectural heritage. Shown above is a portion of a 19th century area known as the Rocks which includes warehouses which have been remodeled into shops. The Victoria Barracks, a handsome late colonial structure (top middle) is open to the public. The house (top right) built in 1840 has been privately restored. Paddington (right) is a hillside neighborhood close to downtown Sydney which consists almost entirely of Victorian terrace houses. Once a slum, the area has been gradually restored, first by artists and intellectuals who scorned suburban life and wished to remain in town, and later by prosperous business and professional people. It has now become quite fashionable.

For many Australians, Sydney is still a good place to live...

Upper income town dwellers are well housed. The terraced apartments (right) overlook the harbor at Darling Point. Designed by the architectural firm of Ancher, Mortlock, Murray & Woolley they adapt to the hillside exceedingly well. Unfortunately most of the new high-income multi-story housing constructed on Sydney's harborside cliffs resembles the buildings across the bay (far right). Wrong for the site, they still provide a comfortable life style.
shoreline and loss of the beaches. Since Australia is composed largely of vast areas of arid “outback” hardly fit for human habitation, Australia’s conservationists consider it shocking that their government collaborates with foreign investors in the mindless destruction of the eastern coast. Unfortunately for Australia’s future, the balanced climate, varied topography and the richness of animal and plant life make this fragile and lovely mountain chain, coastal plain and shore one of the few regions of Australia which are truly hospitable to man. If it goes, there will be little left.

Inadequate government mechanisms
Australia’s federal Commonwealth government does less for its cities than the federal governments of the U.S., Canada or West Germany, for example, although its proportionate share of revenue is very much greater than in the latter countries. The cities themselves have not developed systems of local government which are structured to handle urban problems. Of the major Australian cities, only Brisbane has what the U.S. would consider a consolidated structure of city government.

In Australia the city governments are subordinate to the states. Unlike American cities they are excluded from the management of their police force, housing, education and other functions usually handled at the local level. Except for local property taxes the states retain and have authority over all sources of revenue including monies obtained from the federal government.

All income taxes are collected at the federal level and the states are dependent upon Canberra for tax redistributions. The state governments, like those in the U.S. favor their rural constituents. Gasoline taxes flow back to the states for rural road construction. Many federal-state cost sharing projects are high-visibility endeavors conceived for prestige purposes and votes. So far, there has been no significant federal or state funding for urban planning and development or environmental regulation. The cities lack both the authority and money necessary for the development and implementation of plans. A new master plan, however, has been prepared for Canberra, and the Council of the City of Sydney has made public its Strategic Plan, prepared by a team which included McConnel, Smith and Johnson Architects.

Public apathy
Australian architects and planners ask themselves privately if the Australian public will get behind the efforts being made by Australian intellectuals to set urban and environmental priorities. Many observers have noted that the typical Australian is quick to give serious matters a mental brush-off: “She’ll be right mate” he says and continues to vote his pocket book. Over fifty years ago D. H. Lawrence wrote in Kangaroo of “the profound Australian indifference which is not really apathy…. The bulk of Australians don’t care about Australia…. because they care about nothing at all, neither in earth below or heaven above.... And they live in slovenly defiance of care of any sort, human or inhuman, good or bad…. It seems to me they think it manly, the only manliness, not to care, not to think, not to attend to life at all, but just to tramp blankly from moment to moment and over the edge of death without caring a straw—the final manliness.”

Today Donald Horne in The Lucky Country sees no improvement in his country: “Themselves calculating, materialistic and optimistic, Australians find it hard to accept that quixotry, pessism, spirituality, desire for defeat, boredom, love of rhetoric or risk, of wielding power for its own sake—all ratbaggy these—may often impel action.”

If these critics are right, the Australian mass public cannot in its present condition be expected to ponder, as citizens, so delicate and subtle an issue as the quality of life. But the speakers at the RAIA conference warned that they must.

Pragmatists and Cassandras
The RAIA conference speakers included architects and planners from the U.S.: Serge Chernyavoff, Ian L. McLagl and the economist James H. Weaver; architect Fumihiko Maki from Japan; and architect and planner Sir Robert Matthew and sociologist Raymond Pahl from Great Britain. The other speakers were Australian and included two leading sociologists Fred Emery and Raymond G. Brown; the biologists Stephen V. Boyden and Sir Macfarlane Burnet; business leaders Gordon P. Barton, F. S. Buckley and Michael Baume; the historian Hugh Streton and politicians E. G. Whitlam, Member of Parliament and Leader of the Opposition and the Honorable Ian Sinclair, Minister for Primary Industry.

Of those few speakers who commented upon problems specifically Australian, perhaps the most interesting proposals were offered by political opposition leader Whitlam: “It is my conviction that the great national issue for 1972 can and should be made the urban issue. The powers and policies required for effective urban development should be used to the first time take the center of the national stage. I invite you to participate in this great undertaking....” [further] the Commonwealth Government could take such an approach by establishing a Department of Urban Affairs [which] will encourage the states to strengthen their planning authorities... [such a department’s power to appraise applications for urban grants] will provide an incentive for planning authorities to coordinate their designs before making an approach.”

Of the many speakers who chose to deal with environmental degradation at the scale of the universe, the economist James H. Weaver, and the biologist Sir Macfarlane Burnet demanded the most drastic counter measures. Burnet urged that all over the world every possible incentive be used to reduce family size to no more than two children; to reduce production of all goods which are in excess of the primary human requirements; to eliminate all advertising in favor of simple information as to where consumers can find what they need; to ban all imports except knowledge and such raw materials as are not locally available, to export only what is required to balance the imports and, most revolutionary of all, to close down all marginal and pastoral land for conversion to national parks. Burnet is aware, of course, that the establishment of such a list runs counter to established human attitudes. As he pointed out: “to change the universal objective of every country from expansion of population, of national production, of armed forces, of import and export trade, and from a rising standard of living, to almost the opposite in every instance may be completely impossible.... [nevertheless] science and technology, and the use of high level intelligence to manipulate our legal conventions have produced the vast organizations that are destroying the non-recurring resources of the earth and producing from them weapons, poisons, explosives, unnecessary vehicles and every other frightening manifestation of what human nature is and how it can be manipulated for someone’s gain.”

Economist Weaver began by expressing his amazement that architects who depend for their livelihood on an expanding economy and a high rate of technological development should be taking a look at its negative results. He then called for less technology, the elimination of automobiles from our central cities, the taxation of polluters thus raising the cost of pollution creating goods and reducing the number produced and sold, comprehensive national land use planning, decentralization of government and industry, distribution of income on a basis other than jobs, and a restructured and reduced work week. He proposed that we construct pollution-free cities “for those who might prefer to do without air, water and pollution and are willing to do without cars, airplanes, motorcycles, gasoline powered lawn mowers, etc.” He even suggested that we admit people to our parks and other beautiful natural areas by lottery allocating non-transferable tickets for people to visit Yosemite, Hawaii, Tahiti and the Riviera.

Finally, Weaver told his audience that we must share the earth’s output fairly “since it is obviously impossible (from an ecological point of view) for today’s poor countries to industrialize and pollute the environment like Americans, Europeans and Australians. If everyone in the world behaved like we do life on the planet would come to an end.”
C & I BANK: A WEDGE FOR MEMPHIS

When a traditionally conservative bank decided to revitalize its corporate image, architects Gassner-Nathan-Browne were retained to design a new and decidedly non-square headquarters. Now, the bank's customers can linger, between deposits, in a lush, urban garden sheltered by a tilted and colorful space frame.
The new C&I Bank in downtown Memphis combines an owner's wish for greater visibility with an architect's desire to develop a highly individualized building form. The result is a striking, 44,000 square foot, triangular structure brightened by a large, richly planted entrance plaza on its south side. The plaza is covered in gray-tinted solar glass supported by a system of sloping, steel pipe trusses. The volume enclosed is strongly sculptured, generously tufted with greenery and patterned with a shifting filagree of shadows cast by the overhead truss system. To keep the greenhouse atmosphere from becoming objectionable, the designers have installed a perimeter air supply system at floor level and a dew point exhaust fan that prevents excessive condensation on the sloping glass wall.

The main banking floor is adjacent to the garden. The tellers' area is located so that it can also serve drive-in customers at the rear. Floors are carpeted for comfort and acous-
The detail at right reveals that special metal adapters, welded to the mullions, lift the glazing line several inches over the structure of tube sections. Plans above show a regularized structural bay 18 feet wide and 32 feet deep.

Tic control and furniture is arranged in logical, but flexible groupings.

Above the banking floor (see section) are three levels of ancillary space that overlook the enclosed garden. The fifth floor is executive office space and provided with a long balcony facing south. The uppermost level, forming the apex of the triangle, is mechanical space that vents to the north.

All exterior walls are poured-in-place architectural concrete, sandblasted and sealed with silicone. Above the fifth floor, the building has a metal, standing seam roof.

The building's strong but simple form, the assurance of its detailing and the amenities it offers, make it a welcome addition to the city's inventory of new commercial space.

The bank's interiors display a high level of comfort and craftsmanship. Colors are vivid red for chairs, white plastic laminate for desk tops and counters, muted blue-gray for carpeting. Natural daylight extends well into the main floor banking space. Recessed fixtures wash the walls behind the tellers.
Industrial buildings:
toward higher standards for design

Drive along any road toward a major airport and, chances are, plants and light manufacturing buildings will line the road left and right. Leave any city by train and, as you lurch through the city's margins, staggered rows of warehouses and factories will crowd your vision. Sail down any inland waterway and count the pulp mills, the petrochemical plants, the tank farms and the gravel quarries. Nearby, often on these same waterways, are sewage treatment facilities and municipal incinerators—the Rosencrantz and Guildensterns of industrial buildings playing out their thankless roles mostly in sullen anonymity.

But despite their variety and profusion, particularly along avenues of transport, and despite the fact that many millions of workers spend half their waking hours there, too many industrial buildings reflect little more than an owner's desire to keep rain off his machinery. Crude in massing, clumsy in detail, noisy, sometimes dangerous, fretted with large signs and bad graphics, these buildings provide us with a familiar brass knuckle esthetic—an esthetic we have accepted, until recently, with tolerance; an esthetic we can easily associate with time clocks, lunch pails and three-fingered jointer operators.

Whether this easy acceptance will continue now seems uncertain. There are many hopeful signs that as environmental concerns mount, as social values receive increasing emphasis, as a new work ethic begins to emerge, swelling numbers of us will look more closely at the places we work. Architects, as designers of these work spaces, will be among those looking and listening most critically.

Toward safer employment
Thousands of complaints, ranging from fumes, dust, dirt and noise to unsafe chemicals and radiation poisoning are received by the U.S. Department of Labor each year. Under pressure from the mounting number of such complaints, Congress passed the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-596). Under this law, which covers 57 million workers, certain occupational hazards are being identified and removed. Many spokesmen for industry, however, argue that the law's provisions are too expensive to implement. Some of their arguments are persuasive. In any event, much systematic research on worker safety remains to be done and funds for such research have not been bountiful.

Toward more agreeable workplaces
The buildings in this study are offered as evidence that good design can emerge in ordinary industrial materials and throughout the broad range of industrial types. The structure for The Republic (page 114), Parker Hannifin (page 118) and P. J. Carroll (page 122) are corporate headquarters as well as manufacturing facilities. This flagship feature doubtless influenced their budgets, but each is economically constructed out of simple, rolled steel shapes. The Hermetic Motor Plant for Westinghouse (page 120), is clad in corrugated metal sheet and handsomely detailed inside and out. The Air Freight Building #1 and the Adams Wastewater Plant (page 126) are executed inexpensively and unpretentiously in concrete for municipal clients who cared about quality and looked to architects who would provide it. Each of the six establishes a level of design and amenity that points toward a new standard.

Architects and clients
The owners of several of these buildings were already knowledgeable about design and construction techniques. As manufacturers of components to the aerospace industry, Parker Hannifin executives understood flow diagrams and how planning requirements are translated into building programs. They understood industrial assembly, stresses, steel detailing, welding techniques and dynamic loading. They also understood that appearance counted. "The result," says Michael O'Sullivan, project architect for Albert C. Martin, "was that we understood and believed in each other from the beginning."

Newspaper publisher Robert N. Brown was also concerned about quality. His paper has a civic image and a reputation for integrity. He was also building on a prime, downtown site in Columbus, Indiana—a city conscious of its distinctive buildings.

The Adams Wastewater Plant presents the special case of independent architects retained for their design services by an engineering firm who maintained primary responsibility to the client. The results of this cooperation are seen on page 126.

Not all owners will be engineers. Not all sites are prime. But architects, designing with industrial components for clients who care about quality, can do much to raise the general level of design.

Industry depends for its continued good health on multiplying consumers and intensifying their de-
The Republic:
A century-old, Midwestern newspaper builds with elegance and civic pride in a city noted for the distinction of its buildings and the architectural awareness of its citizens.

Relatively few businesses of any kind live long enough or achieve sufficient eminence to justly be called "civic institutions." The Republic, a hundred-year-old Columbus, Indiana daily is a civic institution. When owner-publisher Robert N. Brown decided to move and build again, he settled on a prime, downtown site opposite the city courthouse. He commissioned Skidmore, Owings & Merrill (Myron Goldsmith, partner-in-charge) with whom he had worked before, because he is an owner who cares and because Columbus is a city that cares. Delicately framed and detailed in light steel and sheathed in tempered glass, the finished building has a decidedly "non-industrial" look. The decision to use large and vulnerable expanses of glass was not taken without considerable thought. A newspaper office, after all, is frequently the target of people with grievances both real and imagined. But because of the owner's confidence in his community and his conviction that a newspaper press is an exceptionally handsome piece of industrial design, the building was
largely enclosed with glass. As a result, much of the journalistic process is continuously visible. "Few other industries," says Brown, "can do this with such impact."

The program, drafted jointly by owner and architect, called for general office and editorial space in addition to press and composing rooms. By floating the press on a special pad with footings independent of the main foundation, vibration through the building is minimal. By isolating the press acoustically behind a glass wall, the office spaces are quiet even during the daily press run which lasts about an hour. Across the glass barrier, the sound drops from approximately 90 decibels to a faint, scarcely audible rumble.

Lithographic offset printing does not generate any significant contaminants so special pollution control devices are not required. Normal newspaper wastes—paper, ink, silicone treated wrappers—are hauled away under contract. There is no incineration on the site.

The building employs single and multi-zone air conditioning units with ceiling diffusers and floor grilles at the perimeter walls. Mechanical spaces are located in the partial basement. Cost for the structure, less land and fees, was just over $30 per square foot.

The owner does not anticipate major expansion. The new building was oversized by the architects to accommodate some natural growth. If unanticipated expansion occurs in future, it will probably be in the form of a new press room to be located elsewhere on the site. For this reason, the architects planned and designed the build-
ing as a discrete entity.

The Republic plant is an exceptional industrial building in terms of its location, its public function, the level of its finishes and the way in which its excitement is generated. Static in form, elegant in detail, the building shell is crisp but withdraws visually to emphasize its contents—especially at night (see photo below). As the photographs indicate, every surface, every intersection and every detail betrays a high level of design concern. This concern extends to the selection and place-

Rolls of newsprint 30 inches wide and 42 inches in diameter are located in the reel room under the press. The web feeds into each printing unit as shown. Printing is done simultaneously on each side as the web passes between two rubber covered cylinders. Printed webs are then collected in the center of the press where they are folded and cut to page size. At full capacity, this press can print 40,000, 28-page papers per hour.
ment of furnishings, the forthright use of bright primary color accents against a neutral background and the variety and richness of a small but carefully selected art collection. Says Brown of this highly individualized collection: "... although the building is quite modern in design, an effort was made to tie it in with some of the earlier history of the newspaper and of the community." In the main reception area, for instance, artist Norman Ives has designed a mosaic in low relief by arranging old wood type blocks into jumbled, abstract patterns (photo below). Seen through the glass wall of the employee's lounge (photo, opposite right) is the original sign rescued from the old building before it was razed. In the south lobby hangs a lithographic mural showing in aerial perspective what the city of Columbus is presumed to have looked like in 1886.

Stimulating, comfortable, dignified and intelligently planned, The Republic newspaper plant, by almost any measure, is very near the high end of the industrial building spectrum.
Parker Hannifin Corporation: This manufacturer of aerospace components wanted a contemporary image that would instill confidence in his product and credibility in his industry. What he got does both.

On a 74-acre site outside Los Angeles, A. C. Martin and Associates have planned and designed a headquarters and manufacturing facility for the Parker Hannifin Corporation which designs and builds components for the aerospace industry. The 4-building facility encloses some 300,000 square feet and is planned for incremental expansion as production requirements change. To provide this flexibility, the architects designed a moment-resisting frame composed of open web steel trusses supported on 12-inch diameter pipe columns laid out on a 60-foot-square grid. Infill panels are lightweight, tilt-up concrete with a sand-blasted finish. The panels are demountable in the event of expansion. The open webs of the trusses are glazed along the outside walls to admit daylight. Costs were within the budget—$23 per square foot for the office and administrative areas, $11.50 for the manufacturing spaces.

The client was aware from the beginning that what he needed was a factory. But he was convinced that within his budget, a pleasant level of employee comfort and...
amenities could be achieved. He was right. At reasonable costs and within a fixed structural system, the architects have provided a surprising richness. The buildings are grouped in a campus-like arrangement around a landscaped court. Parking areas are screened with earth berms. The steel detailing is consistent and surehanded. Added richness is provided by the use of narrow bands of color accents—blue at the fascia, red to outline the infill panels (photos below). A handsome sequence of signs identifies each part of the complex and marks the routes between buildings. Berms are also used by the architects to screen the parking areas and to soften the effect of the encircling fence required by government security regulations.

Because the firm is involved in research and testing, certain flammable chemicals and volatile fuels are in more or less frequent use. Operations that require the handling of such materials are largely confined to a deeply bermed chamber at the south end of the site. The industrial park in which this building is located placed deed restrictions in its leases that established upper limits for industrial noise. In order to comply with these restrictions, the architects located the noisiest test equipment in this same bunker. Inside, a network of filter traps protects against hazards created by accidental spillage of hydraulic oil or other troublesome liquids.

On the assumption that a building's quality affects the performance of those who use it, Parker Hannifin was willing to make a substantial, long-term investment in its people and its product.

A large reflecting pool graces the main approach and the twin fountains and flagpoles reaffirm the plan's axial symmetry. Major expansion will occur in the form of a new building cluster to the west of the existing complex (see master plan).

PARKER HANNIFIN CORPORATION, Irvine, California. Architects and engineers: Albert C. Martin & Associates (John Day, partner-in-charge; W. Jay Smith, project director; Michael O'Sullivan, project designer; Aram Tatikian, job captain. Bill Huddleston, structural engineer; Don Teske, electrical engineer; Tony Tang, civil engineer; John Swiatnicki, interiors; Robert Morgan, graphics; Vince Walsh, estimator); soils engineer: Moore & Ta bert; landscape architect: Erikson, Peters & Thom; contractor: Robert E. McKee, Inc.
Westinghouse
Hermetic Motor Plant:
Corrugated metal cladding
and crisp steel details
in a Tennessee plant for
a large, national corporation
with a growing reputation
for architectural quality.

At this plant for Westinghouse in Athens,
Tennessee, medium-sized (24 lb) motors are
manufactured for subsequent use in refrig­
erators and air-conditioning units. After
lengthy discussion with their client, archi­
tects Heery and Heery planned an inte­
grated building instead of the more tradi­
tional bi-nuclear scheme that spaces out
offices and manufacturing areas by inserting
reception and service functions in between.
This integrated solution mixes office and
manufacturing areas together, thus reducing
the inefficiencies of separation and reinforc­
ing, in each employee, a heightened sense
of belonging to the same large Westing­
house family. While this egalitarian impulse
complicated certain of the internal circula­
tion problems, it also provided a design op­
portunity. Large and small bay functions
can be combined to animate the exterior
by breaking down its scale and stepping the
wall planes in and out.

The building is framed in simple steel
shapes and clad in corrugated metal sheet
which, of course, textures the elevations
consistently. The interiors, in the motor as­

The site is pleasant park­
land outside Athens, Tennes­
see. The level of the ap­
proach road is slightly
depressed. The static, almost
serene, quality of the exteriors
contrasts sharply with the
fluid, sweeping lines of mo­
tion in the high bay assem­
blies areas (photos lower right).
Light steel framing in col­
umns, trusses and struts
augments this kinetic character.

WESTINGHOUSE HERMETIC
MOTOR PLANT, Athens, Ten­
nesse. Architects and en­
gineers: Heery and Heery
(John Wurz, project director;
Mack Scogin, project design­
er); contractor: Reitenbach En­
gineering Company.
Assemble areas, are mechanistic but dynamic—continually set in motion by long, sweeping lines of conveyors.

No unstable or especially hazardous materials are employed in this particular manufacturing process. Molten aluminum is the only potentially dangerous material in use and it is kept inside the injector where the threat it poses to personnel is minimal. The only process wastes are metal scraps which are collected in a hopper and returned for resmelting.

Heat and noise levels, however, are sufficiently high to require special treatment. The architects isolated heat and noise generating equipment behind masonry walls and floated some equipment on special pads to reduce vibration. These spaces evacuate surplus heat directly to the outdoors.

The high level of design concern extends to the sitework and landscaping. Pedestrian approaches and entrances are carefully studied. Shrubs, paving and small trees soften the visual impact of hard edges and crimped metal. Outdoor lighting fixtures are selected and placed for safety, efficiency and appearance.

As in the other buildings in this study, the Westinghouse Hermetic Motor Plant reaches for a level of amenity and design quality not often enough encountered in industrial building. By limiting the design vocabulary to simple geometric forms and by combining those forms with skill, the architects have created a workplace that is efficient, comfortable and thoughtfully planned. Why should the owner, the architect, the employee or the public continue to settle for less?
P. J. Carroll & Company, Ltd.: A new home in Dundalk for a tobacco processing firm that has long been, and continues to be, a significant presence in the industrial life of Ireland.

Carroll's tobacco factory has been a familiar landmark in Dundalk since its founding in 1824. In 1967, after numerous modernizations, the company's directors reluctantly abandoned the old site and purchased thirty acres just outside the city. They commissioned Michael Scott & Partners (Ronald Tallon, partner-in-charge) to design a new facility—a facility that would provide the comfortable, hygienic surroundings necessary to contemporary, heavily automated tobacco processing. The architects, after visiting new tobacco factories in various countries, prepared the drawings for the building shown in the photographs below.

Efficient operation and worker comfort were prime requisites. Because the business is competitive and the technology subject to periodic improvement, flexibility was also important. The Scott design addresses itself to all these needs. The entire four-acre structure is fashioned by the repetition of a single structural unit: a steel bay with a clear span of 67 feet 6 inches in both directions. The bay is framed out above with steel roof trusses 7 feet 6 inches deep—a depth suffi-
cient to house and distribute all the complex mechanical and electrical services the factory requires. The whole structure is fully sealed and air conditioned.

Expansion will be in 5000-square-foot increments to be located as functional requirements may dictate. This flexibility, inherent in the basic planning, strongly influences the building's appearance inside and out. The modular bays are clearly readable and do not lose their definition whether the infill panels are grey brick in the processing areas or bronze glass in the offices.

The structure meets the ground precisely, but around the building the land undulates gracefully to create a series of barely perceptible swales. Seeded with grass and lightly spotted with trees, these generous park areas are an amenity to be enjoyed by owners and employees alike.

Visitors to the Dundalk factory approach over a bridge that spans a generous reflecting pool. Rising up from this pool, like a welcoming sentinel, is a tall, three-shafted, stainless steel abstract. Elsewhere in the building, tapestries, canvasses and sculptures by leading Irish artists express the company's desire to broadly identify the arts with industrial enterprise.

Rationally planned and efficiently assembled out of simple, preformed parts, the Dundalk plant uses the coherent, international language of industrial building and uses it well.

The architects express confidence that the new Carroll factory will be one of the most modern tobacco processing plants anywhere for many years to come. Total cost was approximately $4.5 million.
Air Freight Building #1:
More for parcels than for people, this rugged, multi-client cargo building develops its design strength from basic user needs.

The concentrations of service buildings around airports are seldom fortunate enough to include a structure as strongly conceived or as handsomely constructed as Air Freight Building #1. Located at the Los Angeles International Airport, this structure by Parkin, Architects is used to process air cargo. Warehousing functions predominate. Like most such buildings, the general public seldom enters it but it gets constant, rugged use so durability counts.

The architects spent many hours interviewing representatives of the major airlines who would be renting space in the completed structure. Out of these interviews, several needs emerged. The clients wanted automobiles parked off the ground so the decision was made to place a parking deck on the roof of the building. Perhaps more than any other, this decision affected the planning and influenced the building's final appearance. Not only was an automobile access ramp necessary, but external stairs would be required to reach the roof deck parking. In addition, the parking decision pointed to the suitability of concrete as the
basic building material. Walls, slabs and columns are poured-in-place.

The plan has an almost diagrammatic clarity. Most of the ground floor is given over to warehousing. Above, on a partial mezzanine, is supervisory office space that is expressed on the elevation by a long strip of horizontal glazing. Roof deck parking is shielded from view by a deep parapet. The basic structural module is a concrete bay 24 feet wide. By combining these bays, an interior volume 24 feet high develops and extends for 600 feet. Planes and other air-port vehicles can approach to a loading apron anywhere along this entire length (photo below).

The building's strength is its simplicity and its integrity. At no time have the architects invested their design with false pretension or monumentality. They have generated and combined simple forms in a direct and appealing way, making the most of all architectural exigencies. Details are kept as simple as possible. The architects attribute much of the success of their building to the freedom they were given during programming and conceptual design—a freedom, we might add, that they had to earn.

Because this air freight building is not complex in function or elaborate in level of finish, the architects were able to maintain an especially firm control of costs from beginning to end. Final cost of the building, less fees, was $1,427,000.

Though a limited budget building, largely poured-in-place and with almost no interior finishes, the architects have generated a surprising design richness.
Adams Wastewater Treatment Plant:
An exceptionally handsome industrial structure built on a modest, municipal budget by architects and engineers who are deeply committed to improving design quality.

Set against a background of great natural beauty in the foothills of the Berkshires, this municipal sewage treatment plant indicates what can be done with a building type that has had little genuine architectural attention—a building type that usually loses design integrity by default. Much of the success of the Adams plant is attributable to the close working relationship established between architects Johnson-Hotvedt & Associates and engineers Camp, Dresser & McKee who maintained overall responsibility for the project. Several excellent buildings have already come from this union. Among them is the Brockton Water Filtration Plant (RECORD, February, 1971). By pooling their expertise and by offering a combined service, the team has been able to construct buildings of high design quality that conform to the strictest technical requirements for sanitary engineering.

The architects have shunned the typical solution—a series of small outbuildings with apologetic, palely imitative neo-Georgian facades turned toward the road. Instead, they have concentrated this industrial proc-
ess into a single, integrated structure and expressed the building's functions in vigorous, contemporary terms. The massing is direct, clearly and simply reflecting the functions and volumes contained within. Exterior surfaces are planar but carefully rusticated for scale and appearance. In spite of the concentration of its functions, this sewage treatment facility does not seem bulky or overmassed. And thanks to careful design attention, it never sacrifices its pleasant, human scale.

The Adams plant is simply constructed.

In this industrial process, both the raw material and the finished product is waste. Raw sewage is received from the municipal sanitary system and is immediately screened to remove foreign materials. It is then transferred to aeration basins (see site plan) where oxygen is introduced to heighten the bacterial process of coagulation. Partially consolidated wastes are then transferred to clarifiers where solid and liquid wastes are separated by settlement. Liquid wastes are sanitized in a chlorine chamber before being released into the river. Solid wastes are conducted to sludge holding tanks where thickening agents are added. Final product is trucked.

sire for goods. During the recent recession, when neither happened, industrial building dropped off by about 25 per cent. Now, if current projections hold up, industrial building is turning upward again. A new generation of plants and factories (photos right) is starting into construction.

They will almost certainly be safer buildings. Whether they will also be more agreeable workplaces, we cannot yet know. Powerful forces, economic and social, still mitigate against good design in industrial buildings. And many an owner is not really convinced that quality counts. He hires public relations firms and advertising agencies, and pays dearly for their services, but he sometimes forgets that, in the public eye, his building is an important clue to the character of his company and the quality of its products.

Industrial buildings need a great deal more attention from the design professions—especially in those areas that cannot be quantified in decibels or parts per million. Industry, after all, is a force that leaves a permanent imprint (and sometimes deep scars) on the landscape and the society in which it functions. Decisions made in industrial board rooms about new building programs profoundly influence town and city planning. They affect the employment patterns of millions of Americans. Through its products, industry alters our lives and our ways of thinking about almost everything.

Unless the whole environmental movement is but a fad, borne aloft on a cross current of history, Americans are beginning to care, as they never have before, about the quality of their physical surroundings. The movement's main thrust, of course, has been toward pollution control, but the victories of the anti-billboard lobby and other champions of the visual environment cannot be scornfully dismissed. And a younger generation of workers, parallel to the experience of their college counterparts, is refusing to accept unwholesome factory conditions with the tired fatalism of the past. Have we arrived at a new standard? Not yet.

The design of industrial buildings also presents architects with a special opportunity. RECORD associate editor Robert Jensen, in an earlier piece on industrial buildings, observed that "economy, efficiency and clarity are the values on which (industrial buildings) should be based and these are just the values that modern architecture was invented to express." To these values we must now add environmental concern.

—Barclay Gordon
Technologically, the modern curtain wall has come a long way in 20 years. At the time the UN Secretariat and Lever House were built, a break was made from relatively simple window technology to curtain wall systems which have grown ever more sophisticated, and with which problems are significantly different. The behavior of curtain walls in warding off the effects of the weather is highly complex. They may look simple, but are far from it. Rather, they are involved assemblies of structure, metal and glass working, with much interrelationship and interdependence of elements. Further, there is much to know about finishes, and many subtle things to know about sealants. Yet, the know-how for the design and construction of curtain walls that will have a minimum of problems exists today.

Unfortunately, however, problems with curtain walls have not disappeared. Though some of the manifestations of problems—leakage, broken glass—remain the same as in the early days, the reasons for them are quite different. Twenty years ago little was known about the physical behavior of curtain walls; glazing gaskets were being used for the first time, and new high-performance sealants were introduced only after the putty type failed to work in new situations. Since that time vast knowledge has accumulated, and many new effective materials have been made available.

Curtain walls and the building process are more complex—so are the problems

So, why failures today? Mainly, the reasons are these:

1. The curtain wall has not been comprehended by designers as a system. For example, the deformation of a wall under wind loading may not be deleterious structurally, but on the other hand, this movement could open the glazing system to water penetration.

   An architect might assume that any wall configuration should be possible. While this might be so strictly from a fabrication standpoint, it is not realistic with respect to resistance to water penetration. Some wall shapes literally invite the rain to come in. Thus there is a technical discipline—not just to be reckoned with, but perhaps even exploited in terms of design expression.

2. The realities of field tolerances and thermal expansion and contraction have not been taken fully into account. Columns
can be out of line by several inches; spandrel beams will have a certain deflection that may or may not be what was anticipated; glass, as cut, may vary slightly from the dimensioned size.

3. Structurally, curtain walls are being designed closer and closer to the loads they have to withstand in the field. In the early days, curtain walls were considerably overdesigned. Manufacturers, themselves, tended to be conservative because of inexperience in the engineering and fabrication of modern curtain walls. But now they have a much broader experience. The main reason, however, for manufacturers designing and fabricating curtain walls closer and closer to minimum required strengths is that the market place has become much more competitive. Further, their factory and erection labor costs are much higher. So, walls are no longer conservatively designed; and there is less and less room for error in design load assumptions, for accommodating construction deficiencies, and for coping with unforeseen contingencies (such as the construction of a new building nearby that changes the wind load pattern).

4. The rush of owners to get buildings enclosed, occupied, and producing income may force subcontractors into poor construction practices. Because glazing openings may turn out to be neither plumb nor square, glaziers may resort to nipping corners and seaming edges in order to get the glass to fit, and in the process weakening the glass. The owner may accept, to his later chagrin, improperly erected sections of curtain wall rather than slow down construction.

As mentioned earlier, the two most common failures associated with curtain walls are leakage and glass breakage, with the former being by far the more prevalent. Of course there can be other problems that have no potential physical harm to property or people, but may be disturbing psychologically — e.g., creaking and popping noises caused by movement of the curtain wall against the building frame; vibration of large panes of glass caused by wind; defects in the appearance of the curtain wall such as staining, lack of color match, oil-canning, show-through from the back of the panel reinforcement, etc.

Glass failures can be dramatic, but are patently avoidable when care is taken

Aside from accidents, glass breakage occurs when it is overloaded by wind, or, in the case of tinted glass, when it is over stressed thermally; occasionally, the two effects can be combined. Apparently, most of the glass breakage caused by the wind occurs during the construction period, or at least after the first few wind storms. Glass strength is a statistical matter, and, when practical factors of safety are used, a small amount of breakage can be expected — say 8 lights in 1000. Thus, during the early life of a building, the lights termed "weak sisters" are broken and replaced. Thereafter a building in which the glazing has been properly designed should be relatively free of trouble.

As a safety precaution, owners of high-rise buildings being built in downtown areas of large cities may have streets blocked off on very windy days, to avoid passersby from being hurt.

But breakage during construction is probably more prevalent than it used to be. At least it is more noticeable. For one thing, architects are calling for larger lights of glass and more of them. Further, it seems that the structure is hardly up when the curtain wall and its glass are installed, in part to enable other trades to work regardless of the weather. Thus it is easier for glass to be damaged by debris and through the carelessness of workmen.

The strength of glass in resisting wind load is a function of its thickness and the polish of its surface; the glass is weakened by scratches and abrasions.

Even undamaged glass can fail, however, if it is not properly supported. For example if the framing or gasketing that holds the glass can be excessively distorted, the glass may fail. If the gasket is too flexible because of shape, size, or insufficient hardness, a phenomenon called roll-off may occur, which may result in the entire light of glass being blown out of the gasket.

Glass breakage often is a direct result of proper erection practices not being followed, particularly with regard to handling and cutting of glass, and attentiveness in maintaining correct erection tolerances and plumbness and squareness of openings. It is often found in high-rise construction, particularly with stick-type curtain-wall systems, that tolerances for the building's structural system are greater than they should have been. Then, it turns out that glazing openings may not be plumb or square and that opening dimensions have not been maintained. The glazier's answer in order to get the glass to fit may be to trim the glass on the job which weakens it, particularly in its resistance to thermal load. And if a crack gets started in a light of glass because of thermal load, it can be more easily broken by wind.

Not accounting for building tolerances can lead to trouble — for the wall, and for the glass.

It tolerances are not properly considered in the design of curtain wall anchorages, it may be difficult for the erectors to get glass openings plumb and square. When this happens, glaziers are tempted to trim the glass on site which reduces its strength, particularly with respect to thermal loading. Further, erectors may find it difficult to align the curtain wall components.

An example of a tolerance condition is this: it is accepted practice to permit steel columns to be off the building line as much as 2 in. out and 1 in. in with respect to the core; therefore, the column cover anchor must allow for this, and the floor slab insert and spandrel anchor must accommodate both spandrel beam deflection and column tolerances.
It's the unsuspected things that cause problems with glass breakage due to wind and to thermal load

Still not sufficiently recognized is the extent of negative wind loading at the corners of buildings—as much as 2.5 times the positive load on the windward side. This fact needs to be considered in the sizing of glass. If the glass lacks the recommended amount of bite, or is installed poorly, or gets damaged during installation, it obviously is much more susceptible to breakage at the corners. The sketch at far right is a hypothetical example by Fazlur Kahn showing glass thicknesses based upon variation of wind load with building height and the wind load coefficients for both corner and interior areas of the facade. For practical reasons the glass thickness would be constant for a given floor.

Shading of tinted glass by building projections can result in high stresses. If the edges of glass are damaged, its strength to resist these stresses is lowered.

The result of proper tolerances not being maintained may be that some lights of glass do not have sufficient bite provided by the glazing pocket or gasket, perhaps only 1/8 in. or so. Such lights are susceptible to wind damage.

Another common cause of breakage of glass during the construction period is that the glass lights may not be fully glazed in the beginning by the contractor. That is, the glazing system may be such that he can safely support the glass in the glazing opening, under normal conditions, without having fully installed all glazing materials—the sealant that goes in the rabbet, or the zipper that goes in the neoprene gasket. The glazing contractor might not finish the job for months. Because the glass is not tightly held, a high wind may blow out some of the glass.

When glazing openings are out-of-square, all sorts of makeshift arrangements may have to be resorted to—jacks to try to force the opening into square; torches to alter anchorages, specially cut glass to fit the openings, side-shimming of glass in an out-of-square opening to maintain proper bite on all edges.

Because of lack of control of opening dimensions, some buildings have suffered continuous glass loss for a year or more until all the glass that may have been nipped or cut on the job to make it fit was replaced.

Field problems are the most common, but occasionally the design is marginal

Obviously the proper installation of glass is a critical factor in obtaining designed-for strength. For example, glass-to-metal contact in the glazing rabbet can result in point loading that causes glass to break. To avoid this situation a clearance of around 1/32 in. should be maintained between the face of the glass and the face of the glazing stop. Face shimming is required in lights of glass over 500 United inches (i.e., total perimeter) in size. It is difficult to install intermittent shims properly so that they work, so a continuous face shim is frequently used, consisting of a relatively hard butyl tape that will not distort, or a softer tape that has a hard core.

There may be faults with the curtain wall components, themselves, that interfere with proper installation of glass. For example, it sometimes happens that welds are not ground down in glazing pockets. Occasionally a wrong component is supplied—such as a different clip than intended being used to hold a curtain wall panel to a mullion, causing glass to metal contact.

Field problems, however, are the more prevalent. A further example is that of welding spatter which can seriously damage glass if it is unprotected. The New York City building code calls for glass to be protected by a hardboard covering or its equivalent where glass may be close to welding operations or near material hoists (temporarily omitting the glass is another solution).

Sometimes field conditions combine to create difficult glazing conditions. Example: glazing opening too small; glass a little large; weather cold; glazing pocket minimal for esthetic reasons. Invariably, it seems, tolerances seem to accumulate against the installer. If glazing is done in cold weather with gaskets, and the glass is slightly large, the glazier is tempted to seam (file) the edges to avoid tearing the gasket.

Occasionally, particularly on “budget” jobs, everything can go wrong, resulting in extensive loss of glass. Design can be in error (with respect to tolerances and glazing techniques); fabrication can be faulty; installation can be poor. It is known that, under these circumstances, one owner had to replace 30 per cent or more of the glass that may have cost, after the fact, 50-60 per cent of the original cost of the wall.

Again, on “budget” jobs, the design may be so skinned down, that the wall itself is not strong enough to hold the glass. When the wind blows hard, the results may be catastrophic. A high-rise apartment building in the Midwest is known to have lost over 100 lights of glass during a winter wind storm, reportedly because the wall was not strong enough.

When sizing glass thickness, the designer must know the loads, consider the support

Once in awhile the glass that the designer selects is not thick enough for the most severe loading conditions to be encountered. Under optimum circumstance (i.e., proper bite, clearance, etc.), the glass might have been strong enough, but then, because of the way it was installed, the glass was not able to work to capacity.

On the other hand, the actual extent of the wind load on the glass in service is not always accurately predicted, particularly the negative loads created at corners of buildings which may be as high as 2.5 times the direct, positive load of the wind on the windward face of the building.

As is so with other aspects of building, occasionally there is the tendency to use values required by code (which are usually minimum) for design purposes. These
values may seem reasonable enough to a designer—who says to himself that a 30 lb per sq ft load is equivalent to a 100 mph wind, and, furthermore, he is aware of buildings in the vicinity that have used this value and weathered many a storm. But maybe the building he is working on has a number of re-entrant corners; maybe the building is in an unusual environmental situation (perhaps a canyon effect with wind); maybe adjacent buildings create an unusual loading condition. He may, therefore, be taking a much bigger risk than he realizes.

Though glass is not a ductile material such as steel, nonetheless like a steel plate it has its greatest capacity under load if it is supported along four edges. A number of recent buildings have used large lights of glass with butted edges and no intermediate mullions, the joint being sealed with silicone, to give the appearance of huge, unbroken expanses of glass. Obviously glass used in this way has less capacity than if it were uniformly supported along four edges, and, consequently the glass has to be quite a bit thicker.

The other cause of glass failure, mentioned earlier, is thermally-induced breakage that occurs with tinted, solar-heat-absorbing glasses when the edges have been damaged during installation, or in service, and particularly when there are uneven stresses caused by partial shading of the lights. This kind of failure is potentially less hazardous to passersby because the cracking can be noticed by building occupants or maintenance personnel, whereas glass failures caused by wind can come without warning.

Obviously, the more heat absorbent the glass, the higher the stress induced by the heat of the sun. Light-reflective glasses are loaded even more severely than the tinted heat-absorbing glasses because the reflective coating is on the air-space side of the inner light of a double-glazed unit. Thus, because more heat is trapped due to the "greenhouse effect," such glass can get hotter than ordinary tinted glass. Special consideration should be given to this problem with very large lights of glass.

The wind produces capricious effects on buildings, but they are predictable

Most glass and curtain-wall failures caused by wind have occurred in tall high-rise buildings. But engineers have the design tools to properly design glass; not perfectly, but satisfactorily—according to Leslie E. Robertson, partner in the consulting engineering firm of Skilling, Helle, Christiansen, Robertson, structural engineers for the World Trade Center and for the U.S. Steel Building. Analysis and design can be done for a building that can provide the same level of strength for all lights of glass, rather than having some strong and some excessively weak. Predictions of breakage rates will be reasonable. Technology does not preclude a reasonable design, says Robertson; validity is sufficiently high.

With buildings of unusual configuration, or buildings that are particularly large, Robertson feels that wind tunnel testing may be advisable. For a few thousand dollars, he says, a wind tunnel test can be performed from which wind loads can be predicted. The engineer can develop a good glass design with respect to strength that is rational and that seems to work. The cost of the wind tunnel testing and the resultant design of the glass may represent a cost savings or a cost increase from design by experience; in any case, according to Robertson, neither would be significant in terms of total building costs.

Obviously some discretion has to be exercised as to when wind-tunnel testing should be used. With many tall buildings that are not out of the ordinary, the range of pressures that can be expected are pretty well understood. An engineer can look at what has been done on other structures and have a reasonable understanding of what to expect, particularly when there are no remarkable differences between buildings. The designer must remember, however, that wind speeds in Florida are going to be higher than those in Los Angeles, and that wind load pressures are velocity-dependent to the second power. If you put the same glass design in both locations, you will have a problem.

An interesting phenomenon of wind with respect to glass breakage is that this is only partly associated with steady-state pressures. Actually, there are rapid fluctuations in pressure which are associated with the separation of flow of wind from the face of the building and reattachment of the wind to the face; the reattachment line fluctuates rapidly back and forth depending on the wind strength, the angle of attack of the wind, and the building configuration—corners, indentations in the facade, etc. Glass breakage seems to be associated more with fluctuating pressure than steady state pressure. Though glass behaves stronger the faster it is loaded, the fact that pressures are velocity-sensitive to the second power, means that a small increase in velocity produces a big increase in pressure.

Historically, the glass breakage problem has been recognized and considered in the design process. The same is true for leakage—the there is a lot of expertise on how to keep out water, and many solutions are incredibly ingenious. What is not really known, however is how the large number of curtain walls erected in the last 10 years will behave under the catastrophic loading of the eastern seaboard's hurricane winds. For large, special buildings, mock-up walls are loaded in the laboratory to a presumed wind-load condition. On other buildings the calculation of strength could be described as more or less casual. Furthermore, there often are large differences between what is shown on the drawings and what is actually installed.

Owners generally buy curtain walls on the basis of a performance specification along with certain profile information prepared by the architect. The specification probably says very little about "hardware," i.e. anchorages, etc., and sizes of supporting members. The fabricator then produces a technical design. He basically accepts the responsibility for the wall resisting the forces of nature. If something goes wrong and the manufacturer is a reputable one, presumably he will fix the deficiency.

Shouldn't responsibility for structural integrity be given more careful thought? But if there were, say, a large number of failures during a catastrophic hurricane, what might the courts find? Perhaps they might find that because of so many failures, a norm had been established. On the other hand, how can non-professional organizations establish norms and standards? The norm is what the norm is, and maybe it was not good enough. Who in the end has to accept the financial responsibility?

Analysis of the basic structure of many types of curtain walls is simple applied mechanics.

Structural design of many types of curtain walls (stick systems, for example) is straightforward, easy to understand. But very substantial safety factors should be used in the design of connections to allow for fatigue problems, corrosion, etc. With custom curtain walls, however, it is possible to overlook design problems by not clearly thinking through how they really work (particularly when there are conditions such as stone, glass, metal intersections; huge metal panels, etc.). These are areas where the structural engineer could get more deeply involved. Structural engineers with experience in tall buildings are often to be able to review the structural strengths of curtain wall components. The trouble, of course, is fees; current architectural fees do want to bear this cost because now this cost is borne outside. Further, engineers would have to take on responsibility in terms of costs, contingent liabilities, etc. The courts feel that when architects or engineers "dabble" in design, they must take the responsibility for it.

How wise is it to continue to leave the responsibility for technical design and performance with the manufacturer? First of all, who else is there to do it? But is a better discipline needed within the industry? The industry is tremendously large, and there are many firms in it. What can be done to help ensure that all firms act responsibly? Trouble is it is easy for a firm to go into the business because not much capital is required, at least for the common types of curtain walls. There tends to be a big turnover of companies; and there are those who do not have a good over-all knowledge of the field. Further, even the better companies have difficulty in finding competent technical personnel today.

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