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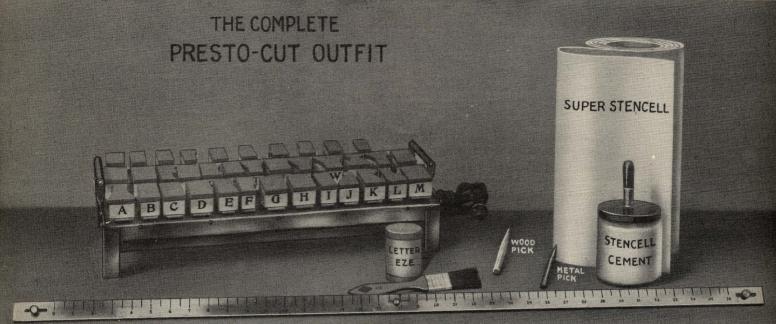
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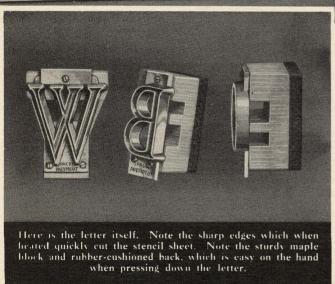
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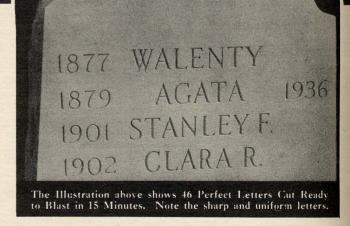
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The Voice of THE TRADE

These columns, a monthly Monumental News feature, are dedicated to the principle of the open forum and to the belief that a frank discussion of the industry's problems is beneficial.

While opinions expressed in these letters do not necessarily agree with our own, we do reserve the right to censorship on material of a libelous or obviously personal nature.

Letters are solicited from all branches of the trade and unless otherwise requested the writer's name will be published.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

TO THE TRADE PRESS:

The Executive Committee of the Memorial Craftsmen of America has decided that the 1938 Convention will be held at the Stevens Hotel in Chicago.

Dates of the convention are November 29th and 30th, December 1st and 2nd.

> Sincerely yours, MEMORIAL CRAFTSMAN OF AMERICA.

WELCOME BACK, TONY!

THE MONUMENTAL NEWS, Madison, Wisconsin.

Friend "News": Evry once in While sumthing kums up Two pruve thers mor too thet busness which it is kalled Telepthie, If you kno which i mean. i hev ben thinkking about thet Five an you et the sam tim was think about thet subscripshun, o-k with Me to Do which you asked, too switch. ive gotta heve thee book which you print an you heve too hev yure money which you alredy heve it, so you kan send me thee recepit for same an we booth be satisfyed. you print it i reed it an lik it. i try this telepthy on lots of My ackounts but it dont work so hot, always: gess it maks them mad at me when thay think about ouwing me then thay wunt do nothing. but thet issent sayin the theary it dont work.

im try too figer out My inkum tax on one of them lousy Russan kross wurd pussels invent by them loung lissards down in washingtun but which i heve to send to Ommaha. just bekuz we got incorperated heve to send it in even if dont mak a dime. so i mak it out as lousy as i kan an let them figer it out at that end. if the Gov. wuld charge inkum tacks up too al of the unkountble hoard of exxempt guys wurkin for it an al the Politishuns and evry other chair wormur mebby It wood help out the rest of us. from Pres. down too the town constabule. if ther is eny gang of timkilers thet is entitel to pay a tacks it is the birds which eat up our tackes an ther is so meny of them cant be counted. us little chaps inbisness is milk dry supportin thet crowd an they dont pay a nikle whil we are keept bustted. prettie soon we heve to record the numbers of pankakes we have et the morning befor an after. i get so dam mad wen i think about it al wen i heve too wurk lik hells too eat an pay my bils. hop you feel the same.

your fren Tony

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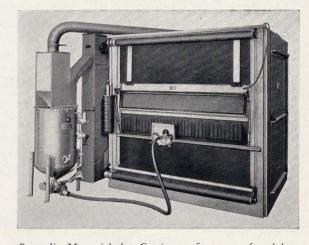
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THE Supporters of the Memorial Extension Commission are men who can see beyond the covers of their own ledgers. They realize that their success is bound up with the success of the whole industry. Above all, they know that unless the dealers are making money business is bad for quarriers and manufacturers.

This knowledge dictated the program adopted by the M. E. C. Directors for the present year's work. The most important plank in the 1938 Platform is dealer cooperation.

Field work will be extended. It is impossible for the Secretary to visit all the shops in the United States; but he will contact every dealer once a month through the Extension Bulletin, designed to keep all retailers better informed about M. E. C. activities and topics of general trade interest.

The staff of the M. E. C. will take part, so far as possible, in state and regional dealer meetings.

Careful consideration will be given to improving standards of quality in design and material.

The Commission's Secretary and Legal Counsel will assist dealer groups in districts menaced by the artificial stone surface burial vault business and by speculative memorial park enterprises.

Efforts to improve friendly relations with the cemeteries—from which the dealer has much to gain—will be continued.

The Secretary invites all dealers to correspond with him about their problems. The experience he has gained from meeting quarriers, manufacturers and retailers in every part of the country is always at their service.

MEMORIAL EXTENSION COMMISSION

ST. ALBANS, VT.

MARR & GORDON PORTFOLIO DESIGNS are Tested IN THE FIELD

Before any design is copyrighted and added to our Dealer Portfolio of Master-craft Memorials, it has been previewed and approved by hundreds of our clients.

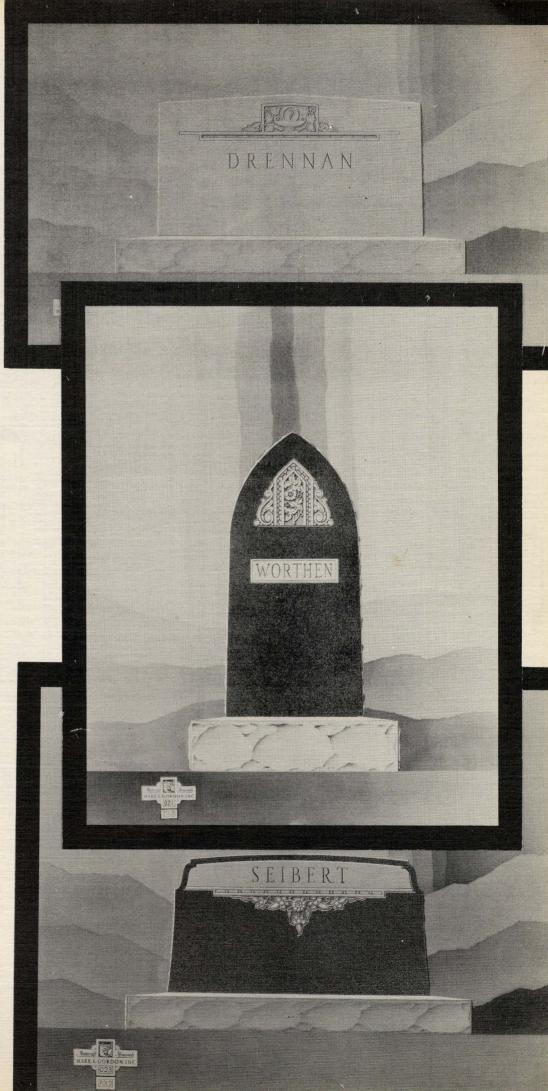
These three moderately priced designs were first shown to many of our clients as rough sketches, and after certain minor changes they were added to our line.

Now they are definitely "Best Sellers."

This type of Dealer Cooperation is one of the reasons behind the successful record of Mastercraft Memorials.









BECK & BECK

In recording the histories of other leading Barre firms, we have remarked upon the many notable mausoleums, important public memorials and impressive statuary, which so measurably brought nation-wide acclaim to the Barre district. In reviewing the story of Beck & Beck we see an equally venerable organization whose reputation equals that of its confreres, but whose steady growth and recognized success, however, has been built largely upon works of a lesser scale.

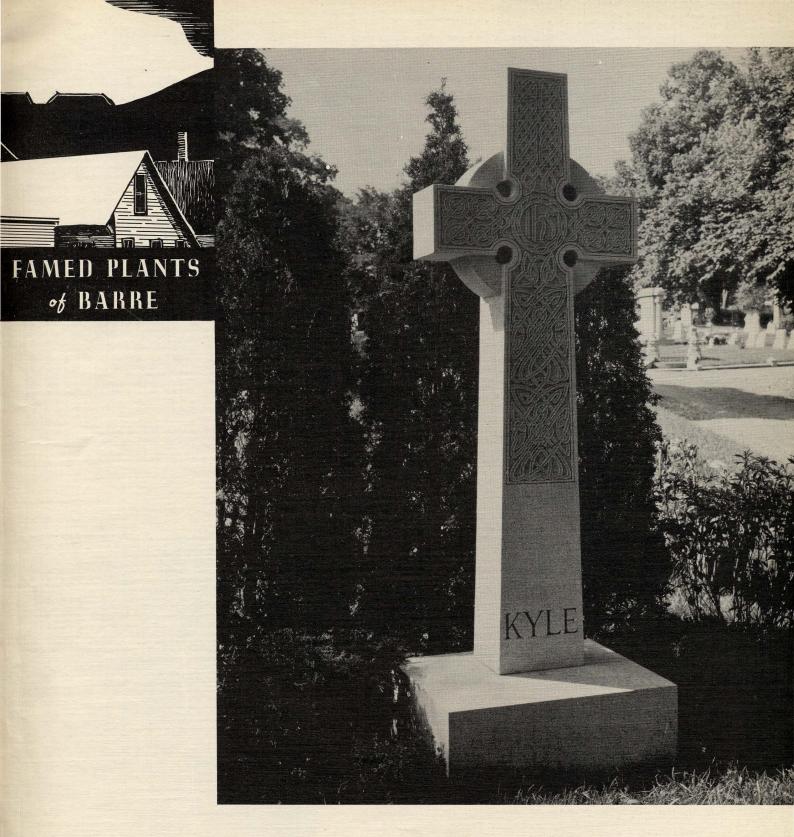
Founded in 1896 by Lothar C. Beck, who passed on in 1929, the firm is operated today by his two sons, Wendelin and Charles, who, learning the business from the ground up, are thoroughly familiar with both the old and the modern in Monumental production. The Beck & Beck plant, 230 ft. by 50 ft., with two extensive wings is a model of efficiency in layout and modern equipment, housing from 30 to 40 skilled artisans engaged in the fabrication of all types of Memorials. Modern polishing machines, a carborundum saw and a large sand blast department, aided by an unusually efficient system of handling stone feature operations in this plant.

Particularly noteworthy is the Beck & Beck list of clients, several of whom have been consistent patrons for 40 years and many more who have favored this firm for more than 20 years. Such a record of customer approval is indeed enviable and is convincing testimony of the masterful craftsmanship with which Beck & Beck has faithfully executed their clients' requirements.

The tendency of retail memorialists to rely more and more upon Barre manufacturers for finished memorials is an oft-acknowledged fact, and the service and superior craftsmanship of such Barre firms as Beck & Beck has been a prime factor in this transition.

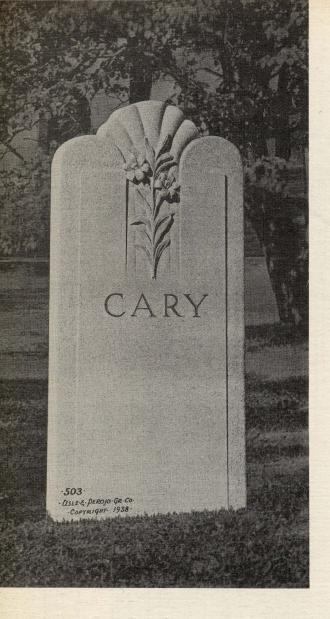
Thus is told the story of another respected Barre name whose achievements in Memorial Architecture have played such an important part in building the fame that is today traditionally Barre's.

One of a series of advertisements by E. L. Smith & Co., quarriers of Smith-Barre Granite, in which the foremost shops in the world-famed Barre district are described and illustrated. Smith-Barre Granite, "Medium of The Masters," has become a standard specification with manufacturers and dealers who demand the utmost in monumental materials.



MODERN INTERPRETATION OF CELTIC ART

The Celtic Cross with its characteristic rich symbolism, tasking to the utmost the talents of the hand-carver, has long enjoyed a deservedly high place in Memorial Art. This Cross with its sand-carved decoration is worthy testament indeed of the progress of modern methods in achieving notable creations worthy of earlier hand-carved prototypes.



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Other modern memorials of simplicity and refinement, done by Mr. Abbiati, will be shown in our advertisements in the future. Watch for them. They will help you in your spring sales, for hand carving means the appeal of individuality and quality.

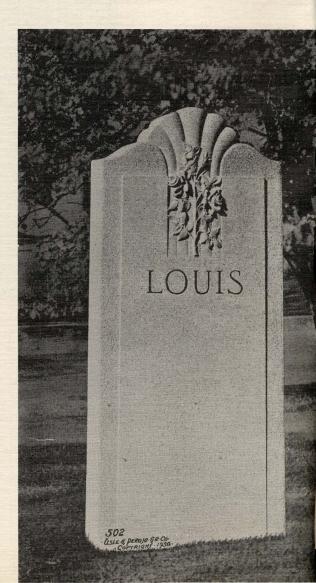
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Barre, Vermont

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A Cemetery Monument of Moderate Cost for the Memorial Dealer's Display

Three sets of cash prizes, totaling

\$1500

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- 1. The popular vote of dealers at the 1938 Convention.
 - 2. By popular vote of the Cemetery Officials at the 1938 Convention.
 - 3. By popular vote of the quarriers and manufacturers of Select Barre Memorials.

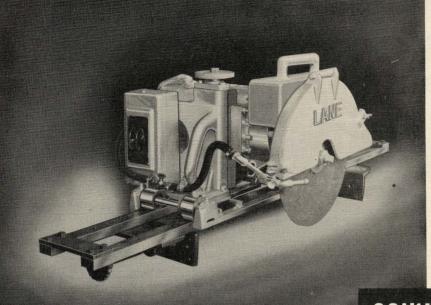
Rules and general information concerning the contest will be available on or about April 1st, 1938.

Contestants will be required to obtain entry blanks from the memorial dealer in their locality.

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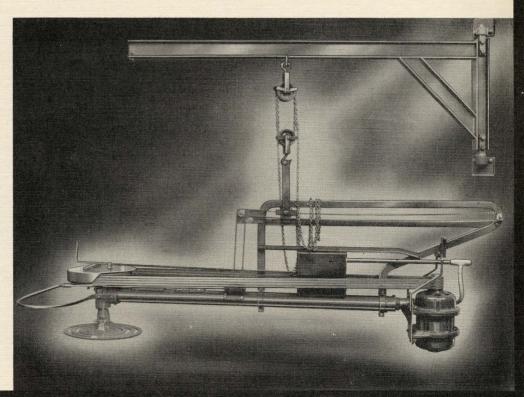
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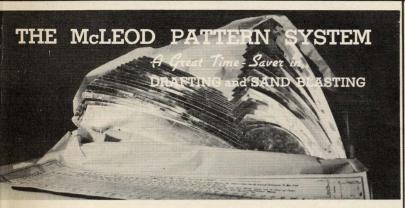
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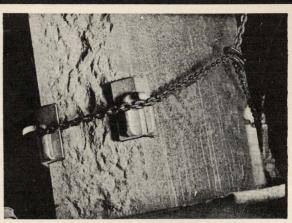
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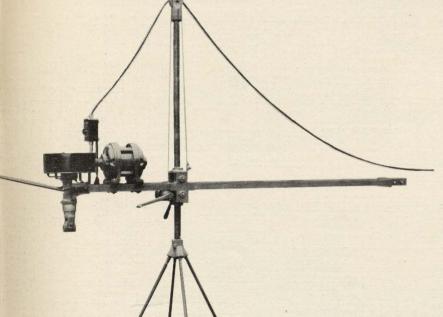
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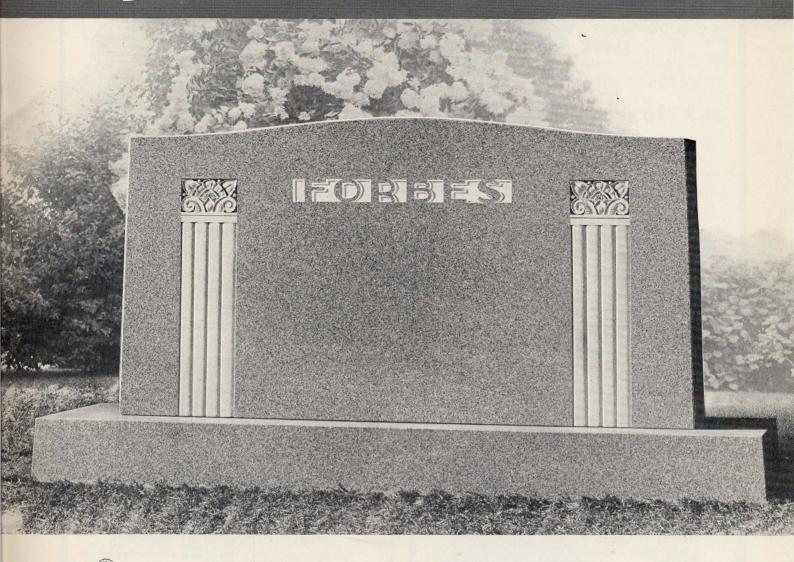
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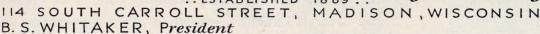
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Editorial

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The "Ethical Dealer" Controversy

FROM several sources we have been asked to speak editorially on that Composite Hy-Brid, "The Ethical Dealer", who from a wealth of recent definition, as nearly as we can determine, now approximates an Armored Saint, or at least a Round Table Knight. If we are to believe those most exorcised over the question, either there "ain't no such animal" or he is a dealer in some other town. To be more serious, however, and with no desire to whitewash or pass the buck, we do believe that the question is most important and worthy of all the consideration it is now being given. Nevertheless, we feel that the present emphasis on fixed standards and requirements is not nearly so important as the determination of a Code of Ethical Conduct and a general definition of Attitude and Approach toward the Public and between fellow dealers.

In short we feel that it is far more to the point that the Individual Dealer, regardless of stock, show room territory, etc., view his vocation as a worthy profession entitled to more than a little respect . . . and that it is even more important that he consider his prospect as a client rather than a cash sale. Our most apt comparison is the Man of Medicine, who though bound by certain rigid laws of a powerful association (The American Medical Association), is even more concerned with his attitude toward a fellow doctor. Quite obviously an exceptional doctor must often be aware of lesser ability in a confrère, but he doesn't tell you about it or anyone else except perhaps a professional brother. This one fact of mutual regard for opinions and belief has done more to bring general respect to the Medical profession than any other single factor and it is a lesson we can all afford to ponder. The successful doctor of today is a business man, yes, but he's a professional man first, and this is what we all need too, more than all the other qualifications in the world to keep unwanted competitors out of the market.

In conclusion we say the Ethical Dealer is one who approaches the public according to the highest ideals of the Memorial profession and treats his associates according to the Golden Rule. This professional attitude does not preclude desirable movements to protect the so-called "Legitimate Dealer" from unsavory competition and to restrict the activities of those operating against the best interests of the Memorial Industry. Proof of this are the Wisconsin and Michigan license laws but we maintain that it is far more important that the again so-called legitimate dealers act so as to command mutual respect than it is that they go chasing carpetbaggers. Remember there will always be quacks in every profession and that snake oil hasn't put the doctor out of business yet.

Editorial Pot Pourri

WE DON'T know whether it's particularly relevant as an indication of increased Monumental activity, but the Monumental News-Subscriber Mail has more than doubled this past year with no complaints from the editor. . . . One correspondent tells us that he has a slip pasted on the back cover of MONUMENTAL NEWS each month with the name of every member of his organization (12) and each one is asked to check his name when he has read the magazine. For four months he's had 100% results and he says he knows at least one sale that can be directly traced to an advertised design . . . not a bad idea at that. . . . There is no question about new life in several state organizations even if the Trade Press is worried about the complimentary advertising. . . . If it helps build strong state groups it's OK with us. . . . Installment selling of Monuments is unquestionably loaded with T.N.T. but installment collecting on bad bills can be worked to perfection. . . . Speaking of boycotting to enforce various quarriers, manufacturers, etc., in line with dealer movements, we have yet to see any possible good to come from such action. . . . Remember the Pied Piper of Hamelin—he got rid of the rats but he also took the children with him. And That's That until next month.



MEMORIALS—Their Value

An Address Delivered by Alexander Park, Vice-President of The Georgia Granite Corporation at the Convention of the Md., Del., Dist. Col. Memorial Craftsmen

ALEXANDER PARK
Vice President, Georgia
Granite Corporation,
Elberton, Ga.

IN THESE days of constant change, socially and economically, it may be well if we look into the values which we, of the monumental industry have to offer to the world. Without value any commodity becomes a liability rather than an asset to society and if by any chance the building of memorials be a liability to society let us find it out immediately so that we may, in some manner, get our house in order and if necessary, admit that memorials are of no value to society.

Let us look, first, at the economics of the thing. So far as I am concerned I am thoroughly convinced that no other industry on the face of the earth adds so much in sound economics as the building of memorials. Let us start in the very beginning—let us do some pioneering—let us wander over the hills of Vermont, over the hills of Georgia, let us go with the pioneer stone men who migrated to our shores from Scotland and Sweden and Italy and let us dig into the hardships and enthusiasms which they put into the seeking of suitable materials in our own land to use for the building of our own memorials, rather than continue to ship what few memorials were built from other lands. These men who pioneered the granite industry in the United States were hard working, thrifty, clean living men, who at great physical sacrifice dug into the hills and found a suitable material. They found granite and they found marble within the borders of our own land and it is a peculiar fact that, having found granite and marble in great quantities, only a very small portion of the granite and marble which they found was suitable for memorial purposes. Few of those men became rich, very few of them, in fact. It seems to me that the division of the dollar which has been put into the building of memorials is more equitable and more sound economically than the division of any dollar put into any industry in America.

Let us take, for example, a beautiful, artistic and interesting memorial composition erected in any cemetery anywhere. Let us dig into the economical facts of the thing and find out where this memorial is a wasted effort—let us find out how the dollar was distributed which went into the building of that memorial. No attempt will be made here to give exact data but we do know offhand that a specific part of our dollar went to the quarrying, a specific part of the dollar went to the quarry owner, to the men who own manufacturing plants, to the stone cutters, to the tool sharpeners, to the designers and the draftsmen and the polishers and the railroads who transport the memorial materials and the cartage companies who haul from the stations to the cemeteries and to the setters who set the memorials in the cemetery and to the cemetery concerns who supply materials for foundations and to the cemetery people themselves, who place foundations. All of these items of cost have been distributed in such an equitable manner that on the

whole, comparatively little waste money is represented in your finished memorial. Little profit has been made from it. The finished memorial represents a well distributed dollar and a sound economical investment for the nation, because practically every part of that dollar has been turned over and over and actual productive work has been exchanged for it. I am quite convinced that no other commodity on the American market offers such a sound social and economic value as a finely finished memorial, erected to commemorate the life of an individual or of an historical fact.

Then we have the historic value of memorials, the actual, definite, positive data, which inscribed upon the faces of a thousand memorials, becomes a definite and conclusive record of a thousand men or a thousand facts, that become part of the public record, a record which spreads indelibly through the ages so that one generation after another may, without effort or without doubt, convince themselves of certain definite historic and vital statistics and facts. Every man and woman here today has at some time during his life learned of, or actually had the experience in which a monument, definitely inscribed, determined actual specific facts. The historic value of a monument cannot be measured on the basis of past deeds nor facts alone. It is quite easy for us to visualize, to actually visualize that in this present generation there may be a mother of future presidents, who, were she placed in an unmarked grave today, might be lost forever to historic interest and historic fact. As a matter of fact, only recently a memorial was created and erected at what is presumed to be the grave of Edgar Allen Poe and no one will ever be positive that the memorial is marking the exact burial place of that great master of the English language. I could go on for hours reciting actual, definite instances in which inscriptions on memorials form the basis for all of the knowledge we have with reference to certain historic facts, which are now considered, beyond a doubt, authentic because of the data contained thereon. So far as the human mind can conceive, the granites and marbles of today are everlasting. History is being written every day upon memorials of the world and in the ages to come no sounder basis of fact may ever be found than the memorials of a nation as historic recording agencies. Think of the facts we learn from the tombs of the Pharaohs, and the Pyramids, and the knowledge we have of early Greece from her temples and the data we have acquired about the Aztecs in Mexico, and think of the thousand and one other instances of which we are definitely sure today only because of the data we have accumulated from the memorial making stones of another age.

And then, of course, there is the artistic value of memorials. (Continued on page 115)

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CAMP GIVEN TO BOY SCOUTS

Mr. and Mrs. Harold P. Hinman have given a camp and surrounding land in Orange to the Boy Scout troop of Barre, Vt. This is a memorial to their son Purman Hinman who died several years ago, while a high school student and will be called "The Purman Hinman Camp for Boy Scouts." This announcement was recently made by Guy L. Norris, chairman of the Granite District of the Long Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America.

The control will be vested in a board of three trustees—always to be, the chairman of the Granite District of the Long Trail Council, the superintendent of schools, and the mayor of the city.

LOSS BY FIRE

The Union Granite Co., Montpelier, Vermont, suffered a severe loss when their display shed was destroyed by fire on Feb. 9, 1938. \$4,000 damage to stock was reported. All loss covered by insurance.

TO ELIMINATE QUARRY DUST

Barre quarriers are planning to eliminate the dust hazard from quarry operations. Three types of suction devices are to be "tried out." The Wells–Lamson Co., and E. L. Smith Company are testing the Spencer–Turbine Co., device, one being already installed at the Wells–Lamson quarry.

The J. K. Pirie Estate Co. will try out the Kadco Dust Remover and the Markley suction device will be tested by Rock of Ages Corporation.

FIRE IN EAST BARRE PLANT

The Granite Memorial Shop or World Granite Co. shed at East Barre, Vt., was completely destroyed by fire recently, with a loss of over \$30,000. Insurance was approximately \$12,000. A small office building was also partially destroyed.

The plant was equipped with all of the latest equipment, polishing machines, compressors, traveling crane, stone-turning and polishing lathes, sand-blast and surfacing machines, a complete new dust removal device, and smaller tools and equipment—all completely destroyed. Over \$6,000 worth of granite stock and finished memorials were ruined. About twenty-two men were thrown out of employment.

BURIAL LOT BROKER DENIED STATE LICENSE

The Wisconsin real estate brokers denied real estate brokers license to Samuel R. Smith, New York City, who desired to sell burial lots in a cemetery known as the National Capital Memorial park, located in Muirkirk, Prince George county, Maryland.

Real estate brokers proposing to sell cemetery lots not located in their home localities will meet with rough sledding in Wisconsin for their plans, the denial indicated.

The findings of the board on which the denial is based, are that the lots sales are speculative and that sales would be induced by the claim that the brokers would, within two years, resell the lots at a price that would give purchasers a profit.

The board summary of the findings for the denial are given in the following paragraphs of the order:

- "1. That the applicant will authorize his agents to promise to resell lots for the purchaser at a profit;
- "2. That experience has proven and the testimony produced at the hearing shows that no promotion has ever been successful where the promotion is based on a promise to resell lots at a profit;

"Wherefore, the board finds that the promises to resell are false and fraudulent and that because of the applicant's willingness to promote the sale of the lots upon promises of resale, he has demonstrated that he is not trustworthy within the meaning of Chapter 136 of the Wisconsin statutes."

FIRE REPEATS VISIT

The Puenta Granite Co., in Barre, Vermont, was again visited by fire. The new portion of the plant rebuilt after a fire about a year ago, was destroyed but the main plant was saved, although much damage was incurred. The loss is partially covered by insurance. Burning about 2.30 in the morning, Mr. Rasines did not know of it until his son went to the plant early to start the fires. In the excitement no one notified the Rasines family.

ART ASSOCIATION OF BARRE

The Art Association of Barre, Vt., under the leadership of Dan. B. Haslam, Montpelier, president, has been organized to stimulate interest in art and bring together the artists of the community, and sponsor exhibits. 87 members attended its first meeting on Feb. 4th at Aldrich Library Hall, and Miss Helen D. White, art director, of the public schools of Barre, presided. She outlined the growth of the organization since its foundation last November.

Miss Saffargo told of the exhibits maintained since December in the Barre Public Library. Donato Coletti, sculptor, instructor at the Barre Evening Drawing School and sculptor member of the special committee chosen to select the winning designs in the Select–Barre Design Contest, outlined the purposes of the association; 1. to have exhibitions of art by local or other artists at frequent intervals; 2. to acquire more books on art for the public library; 3. to have good speakers on art address the association as often as funds permit; 4. to influence understanding and cooperation among local artists; 5. to stimulate and awaken art interest and spirit in the hearts of the local people.

Officers are:

President—Daniel B. Haslam. Vice-President—Miss Ann Squire. Secretary—Miss Cosette Saffargo. Treasurer—Alfred Comi.

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MEMORIAL DRAFTSMEN AND DESIGNERS MEET

The monthly meeting of the Society of Memorial Draftsmen and Designers was held on March 11 at the Hotel Victoria.

Plans for the annual dinner to be held on March 20 were completed.

Two more applications for membership were received.

Plans for a competition will be drawn up by a committee appointed by Mr. Buchan, president. Complete program will be announced at the next meeting.

The competition will be open to members of the Society on.y that are in good standing.

Mr. Grove Hinman spoke at length on bronze, its history and uses.

At the April meeting, two films of moving pictures on Germany will be shown. Ladies will be permitted to witness the showing.

Mr. Percy Alvee, well known painter, has consented to address our May meeting.

Sketching in charcoal was indulged in, and the prize awarded to Harold Schaller.

GRANITE INDUSTRY IS AFFECTED BY TRADE PACT

Speaking in the House, Rep. Charles A. Plumley of Vermont attacked the reciprocal trade agreement with Finland on the ground that it "seriously and ruinously affects the granite industry" of the United States.

Rep. Plumley said:

"As you know one of the trade agreements entered into was with Finiand. It seriously and ruinously affects the granite industry. It has already put hundreds if not thousands of men out of a job, and its effects will continue to be and to increasingly become disadvantageous to employers and employes.

"What the trade treaty with Finland has done to New Hampshire granite is 'just too bad.'

"Under the 'most favored nation' clause of the reciprocal trade agreement with Finland, the duty on both rough granite and manufactured memorials has dropped to the benefit of all foreign exports, to a level which entirely fails to protect the American workman, and it is anticipated that the situation during the coming memorial session (April, May and June) will be very serious from the standpoint of its effect on sales of domestic granite with consequent adverse effect on the employment situation.

"From the American Granite Association I learn that 'from figures they just received from the advance proofs covering 1936 importations, as compiled by the United States department of commerce, it is shown that during that year importations from Finland of unmanufactured granite aggregated 13,772 cubic feet, valued at \$16,214; those from Sweden amounted to 17,421 cubic feet valued at \$34,760; and those from Canada consisted of 9,488 cubic feet valued at \$7,101 (presumably chiefly base stock).

"'For the same period Finland sent us 14,019 cubic feet of manufactured granite valued at \$56,030, with all other countries negligible on this item of finished memorials.

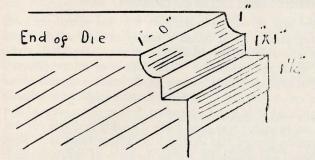
"These figures also show that from the standpoint of value of merchandise landed during 1936 the following districts lead in the importations:

\$42,136
35,898
21,748
8,309
6,151

out of a total of \$130,920 imported into the United States during 1936 (landed valuation).'

"Anyway it is a fair assumption that the granite quarries and manufacturing plants of New England would be working full time today if the reciprocal trade agreement with Finland were not in effect. As it is, only about one in five is working. It is a fact the trade agreement with Finland is responsible for widespread unemployment amongst quarry workers and granite cutters throughout the United States."

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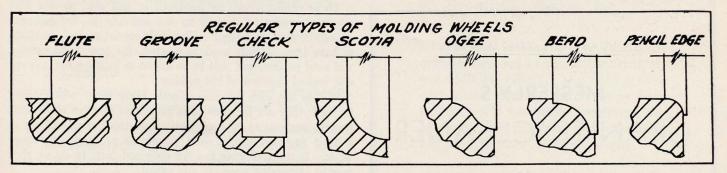
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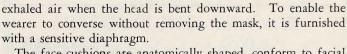
The Chicago Eye Shield Co., 2300 Warren Boulevard, Chicago, Ill., are offering a new style respirator for use in the lead dust generating trades such as: storage battery manufacture, enameling, sand-papering, pottery making, preparing litho trans-

fers, chipping painted surfaces, mining, processing lead ores, rubber compounding, paint making, milling, etc.; and for protection against Type A dusts, as: quartz, cement, coal, wood, asbestos, limestone, coke, cellulose, aluminum, iron ore, gypsum, charcoal, flour, etc. The filter units function with equal efficiency in the presence of either hazard.

The filter units are of unique construction, exclusive with this company. They have an effective breathing area of over 45 square inches. This eliminates fatiguing resistance to inhalation

and greatly increases breathing comfort. They are so located they control the position of the respirator on the face. The result is they adjust automatically to movement, compensate for all facial variation.

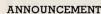
The exhale valve is placed between the filter units. It is up and out of the way where it cannot rub on or catch in the clothing. This valve is non-collapsible and will not shut off



The face cushions are anatomically shaped, conform to facial contours, and seal tightly without perceptible pressure because they have soft turned facial contact edges. These impart a 'lamb's wool' feel to the face.

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The headband is a special type exclusive with this manufacturer. It is made of moulded pure gum rubber, and claim is made it will outlast the ordinary kind ten to one. This respirator is made of quality materials in an expert manner and offered at a moderate price. Its catalog designation is Style 92. It has been approved by the U. S. Bureau of Mines for Lead and Type A dusts.



Magnus Chemical Company, Garwood, N. J. announces three appointments as follows: Alfred L. Gough becomes resident sales representative in the state of Rhode Island; Jas. J. O'Keefe becomes resident sales representative, covering the state of Virginia; Linwood D. Knight will represent Magnus in the state of New Hampshire—all three men have had much previous experience in the industrial field.



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Trade News

THE FORTHCOMING SERIES OF EMBLEMS

In the files of any trade designer who has served the craft for many years will be found a library of data which is not usually available to the individual dealer, when and as he might need such assistance. The Editor of MONUMENTAL NEWS, always alert to the needs of the craft, suggested some months ago, to Mr. H. L. Ogborn, that he might give valuable aid by placing data in his possession, before the readers of this magazine, in such a way as to make it readily available for use. Investigation proved that dealers had definite ideas as to what they wanted and would use, and so the series of emblems which we are to present in coming months was planned.

These emblems will be produced in full size, so that they may be transferred directly to the stone or to the full size detail, drawing as desired. They will consist of such emblems as have been actually used in practice, for both hand carving and sand process, and will be so drawn as to show the relieved and incised portions of the emblem.

We do not state that they contain every detail which might be used; they are in many cases simplified so as to allow sand process methods to be used, but we do think they will act as a basis for any skillful sand carver, to produce satisfactory work. If the craftsman has the skill and cares to do so, they may be elaborated upon, to any extent.

The drawings will be shown in a size $(4\frac{1}{2}"$ diameter) which will allow of their use for the average size marker, when combined with an inscription.

The original drawings of some of these emblems have been submitted to several representative craftsmen, and their enthusiasm leads to the hope that this series will be of permanent and lasting benefit to the trade. We shall welcome comment. If you have need for particular emblems, in your community, we hope you will make your requests known to us. Naturally, the series must be planned well in advance, but we shall make every effort to include such emblems as you need most. If you have engravings or small drawings of special emblems, send them to us, and we shall be happy to use them, and return your copy at once.

We believe that it will well repay you to preserve carefully these engravings as they appear, in order that you may have the entire collection, for your files or your sand blast operator. It will be difficult to furnish duplicates later on. Watch for the series "Full size emblems" by Harry L. Ogborn, well known designer.

WILL CARRY ON THE CLEANER BUSINESS

Mrs. Rilla V. Messerly will carry on the Cleaner Business established by her late husband, Everett T. Messerly, in Warren, Pennsylvania.

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GRANITE INDUSTRY MURAL

David M. Granahan, a former resident of St. Cloud, now residing in Minneapolis, Minn., and an artist of national fame, recently finished a mural of the granite industry to be placed on the wall of the new postoffice in St. Cloud.

The mural, on canvas, is about nine and a half feet square and will be pasted on the wall with a special glue.

Golden Anniversary Year of Pittsburgh Crushed Steel Co.

The Pittsburgh Crushed Steel Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., manufacturers of Diamond Crushed Steel, Samson Steel Shot and Angular Steel Grit is celebrating its golden anniversary this year. This firm was founded in 1888 by M. M. Kann, father of G. H. and W. L. Kann who are now the executive heads of the corporation. From its introduction in business the company has constantly served the stone industry, first with its Diamond Crushed Steel and later with both Diamond Crushed Steel and Samson Steel Shot.

Prior to the manufacture of Diamond Crushed Steel the stone industry principally employed sand for the sawing and rubbing of granite, marble, onyx, limestone and other stone. The use of sand for these most important operations was slow and tedious, and because of the time element also quite expensive.

However, with the adoption of Diamond Crushed Steel the sawing operations were considerably shortened, and as the industry learned more about the product it soon replaced sand as the sawing abrasive.

Later on the company entered into the steel shot business with its now nationally known product, Samson Steel Shot.

To-day the use of Diamond Crushed Steel and Samson Steel Shot has widened considerably. Diamond Crushed Steel is found in practically every monumental fabricators plant. Here it is used, in some instances, for sawing marble, bluestone, onyx, etc., but in most cases for rubbing and "steeling" granite. The steeling of granite, which can be successfully done only with Diamond Crushed Steel, has taken on an all important aspect with fabricators who are striving to improve the appearance of their finished products and give great sales potentialities to their monuments.

Samson Steel Shot is today a popular and well known product in the stone workers every day work. It is now used in practically every phase of monumental fabrication. "Samson" is called upon for sawing, rubbing, polishing, and to a large extent for shape carving. Its many different sizes makes it adaptable for this variety of operations.

The stone industry might be surprised to learn that these products are also much in demand by other important industries. Samson Steel Shot and Angular Steel Grit are used quite extensively by the metal cleaning and finishing industries for use in blast and centrifugal force equipment. The materials are used for cleaning castings, forgings, and all types of metal

Diamond Crushed Steel is also employed by the optical, glass and railroad industries. In the glass and optical industries it is used for the rough grinding of glass and other related work. The railroad industry calls upon it for the fast grinding of valves, and other important equipment used on locomotives and passenger cars.

Diamond Crushed Steel, Angular Steel Grit and Samson Steel Shot are also used quite extensively for prospecting and in core drilling machines for use in core-drilling operations. To properly service this wide range of industries and to understand their problems calls for a great amount of knowledge of the various industries difficulties and endeavors. To better understand these problems the Pittsburgh Crushed Steel Company maintains a research department where constant efforts to

work problems of the industry and to improve the quality of Diamond Crushed Steel, Angular Steel Grit, and Samson Steel Shot are carried on.

It is the earnest wish of the Pittsburgh Crushed Steel Company, as it enters into its golden anniversary year of business, that the stone industry will inform the company of its problems and ideas and in co-operation that may be worked out and the industry benefited.

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Trade News

RANDOM NOTES FROM TEXAS By J. C. Brewer

C. E. Tooke and J. E. Terrall are operating Forest Hill Memorial Company, in Houston, Texas, at the location formerly occupied by the Green–Gooch Co. They have recently installed two new Sand Blasts, remodeled office and built a new display yard. They report a good business.

Called on Mr. Dietz of The Dietz Memorial Co., of Waco, Texas. He has a fine shop, well equipped, and does his own finishing. He wishes the National Convention might be held further south.

Then visited Mr. Hertzer of the Central Texas Monument Company, across the street from Mr. Dietz. His shop was a good shop and having closed a job just before I entered was naturally in excellent spirits.

The Robbins Monument Company at Houston, are opening a new shop in Corpus Christi, also the Michaels Monument Co. of No. Houston and a shop at Galveston. They report better prices in 1937 than for many years.

Rodriguez Brothers at San Antonio, opened their new shop on January 1st, very modern plant, a complete new shop and equipment. Louis Rodriguez is also a sculptor. They have several large state jobs under construction, have completed 600 monuments for different sections of the state.

El Paso Monument Co., has opened an up-to-date yard with a variety of stock at El Paso. Says if 1938 business equals 1937 he will be satisfied.

Middleton Memorials of San Antonio report sales excellent. They recently enlarged their stock and added new equipment.

ARIZONA

Mr. Quaing of Phoenix, Arizona, says last year was a good one, he has recently installed a new compressor.

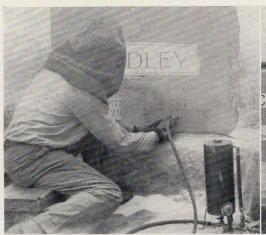
The Standard Monument Co., at Phoenix, doubled their stock last year. Eugene Sliager and David McMillan are the proprietors.

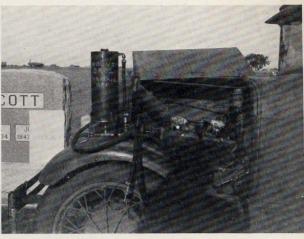
QUARRY IN A SHOW WINDOW

A quarry appears in a show window of Reynolds & Son at Barre, Vt. That is, a miniature quarry that is an exact replica of the granite quarry of E. L. Smith and Company at Graniteville. The exhibit is approximately four and one-half feet long and three feet wide and about three feet high. A form of plaster of paris, or modeling plaster, was used as the base of the 'granite' quarry. The model was completely coated with shellac and then stone dust was blown onto the model, giving a fine resemblance of a Barre granite quarry. A large derrick, complete with cables and pulleys and motor winch, is stationed in the quarry. A miniature railway, with zinc rails, flat cars and a roundhouse, lend realism to the complete scene. Minute details, such as the grooves of dynamite holes, shovels, grout boxes and other equipment peculiar to the quarrying industry, give an added touch to the labor and skill required in constructing the exhibit. Flavio Furloni, a young Italian sculptor, created the model. William Patino, an employe of E. L. Smith and Company, made the mechanical details of the scene. Achille Magne performed the skillful application of the granite texture in the finishing of the model.

AIR TAKE OFF VALVES

Until Mount Bros. of Memphis, Mo., had completed their sandblast experiments some 12 months ago, it was generally thought finishing of cemetery sandblast lettering could only be accomplished by previously accepted methods,—by use of the regular compressor and engine.





However it became apparent to Mount Bros. that any automobile possessed the ability to continuously pump air at relative high pressures from its own cylinders. This idea was accordingly developed by them. By substituting their patented Air Take Off valves for any two spark plugs, and starting the Auto engine, a most efficient air compressor and engine was combined in the same unit. This combined auto-air unit was capable of delivering up to the compressing ratio of the particular

auto used. In most cars this pressure is close to 100 pounds of air. A small utility sandblast was further developed that would hold sufficient sand for sandblasting several regular sized letters in granite. A regulation shape carving nozzle of small aperture was used. By another arrangement no sand was lost.

The weight and space of the entire assembly when not in use was such as not to occupy any more space nor weight than the average office typewriter in its box.

Memorials—Their Value

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It may be necessary to be brutally frank about this matter and admit that we haven't made the best of artistry in the creation of memorial stones but at the same time there is enough artistry, there is enough beauty and there is enough possibility to justify the continuance of the building of memorials for an artistic value if for none other. In practically every part of the world some of the finest examples of art of every age may be found in the memorial field. In our own American cemeteries there are thousands of beautiful things which are recognized as the finest examples of our artistic accomplishments. Offhand, I think of the Adams Memorial of Rock Creek at Washington, the work of St. Gaudens. I think of the Frances Memorial and Belfontaine in St. Louis and I think of a little bird fountain in Charles Evans Cemetery in Reading, Pennsylvania, which was done by our good friend Ernest Leland, and I can think of no finer example of pure art than the Father Duffy Memorial on Times Square, New York City. With that fine Irish priest memorialized as only a master memorialist could do, Father Duffy stands at the head of Times Square, watching over his flock as he did in the days of the great war in France and it is my prediction that as the days roll on, that monument in Times Square will become one of America's outstanding artistic land marks. The artistry and the beauty carved in the memorials throughout America will, as we grow older as a nation, force themselves to the attention of the world as being among the outstanding artistic values of all time. In this connection, let me call your attention to the fact that during the very bottom of the depression the St. Louis Art Museum purchased, for a most extravagant sum, a sandstone ledger, which was erected in Germany at the grave of a German Prince during the fourteenth century. It was well worn, some of the lines on the beautiful carvings had become obliterated but at the same time the artistry of five hundred years ago is evidenced on that old tombstone and it strikes me as a definite and vital indication that the art authorities of a future generation may look in our cemeteries for outstanding examples of artistry.

We come now, I feel, to the greatest of all values in memorials—the sentimental value. No other act of a normal man's life gives him more complete soul satisfaction than the building of a memorial to his loved ones who have gone on. I have had the experience and I know hundreds of men and women who have had the experience and I know that when the memorial has been erected there comes a pleasing, satisfying feeling that the last deed on earth has been done. It is the finest gesture of love. And while we of today may feel that this nation and perhaps the entire world is losing sight of the sentimental value of things, let us not become disturbed. The constant evolution of life and the constant evolution of thought will swing back again to that finer and nobler basis of living in which the sentimental values will find again their proper place and will again be evaluated for what they are actually worth.

I have told this story before and I am taking the liberty of telling it again. As a matter of fact, the information is public property and the wonder of it is to me, that we of the memorial industry, lost sight of it almost instantaneously. On the morning when Franklin D. Roosevelt was first inaugurated as President of these United States, Mrs. Roosevelt went alone to Rock Creek Cemetery in Washington. She went to counsel with herself and she sat for an hour before that all comprehending figure on the Adams memorial, the figure which we rather vaguely call Grief and the figure in which I have never seen grief. I have seen understanding and consolation and Father Counselor wrapped up in one glorious production in bronze, and Mrs. Roosevelt went there. She sat there for an hour and counseled with that artistic and sentimental thing and she cleansed her soul so that she might make a more fitting companion for the President of our

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William R. Hoepfner, Brooklyn, New York, died on Feb. 3, 1938, after an illness of two weeks. He was a member of the firm of Farrington, Gould & Hoagland Memorial Corp. He had been connected with the memorial industry for over thirty years. He was president of Memorial Associates, Inc., a trade organization of Manhattan, and was very interested and active in all movements to improve and uplift the Industry.

He is survived by his widow and two daughters.

Everett T. Messerly

Everett T. Messerly, former President of the Pennsylvania Memorial Craftsmen and Proprietor of the Messerly Monument Works, died Sunday, March 6th at his home in Warren, Pennsylvania. (Obituary will appear in the April issue of MONUMENTAL NEWS.)

J. Carl Shull

J. Carl Shull well-known marble and granite dealer of Chambersburg, Penna., died on March 11, from a streptococcic infection. He was 67 years of age.

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He is survived by a daughter, Mildred, a son, Robert S., a grandson, a sister and brother. He was an active member of the First Lutheran Church, having served for a number of years on the church council.

John N. Godbeer

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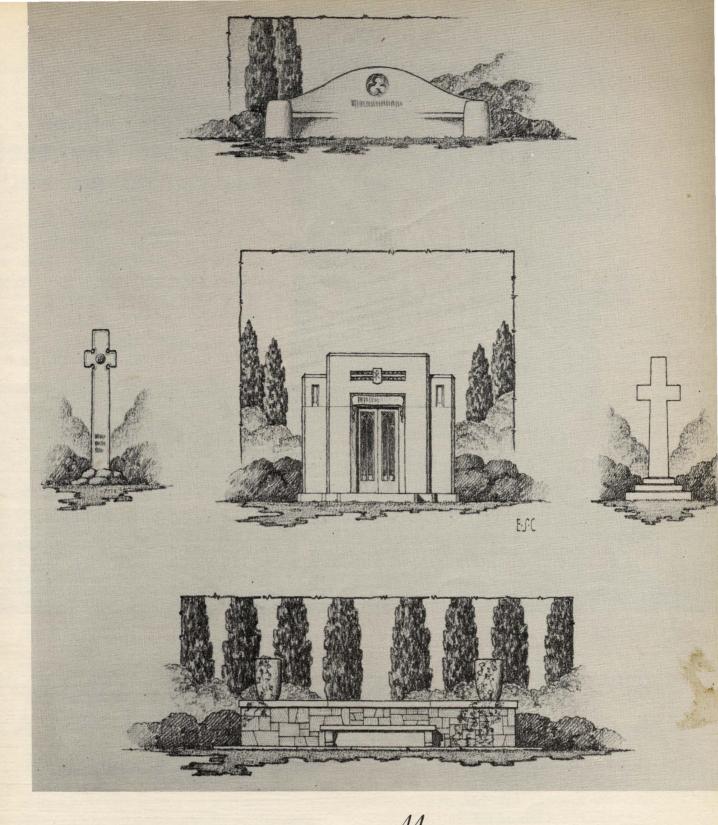
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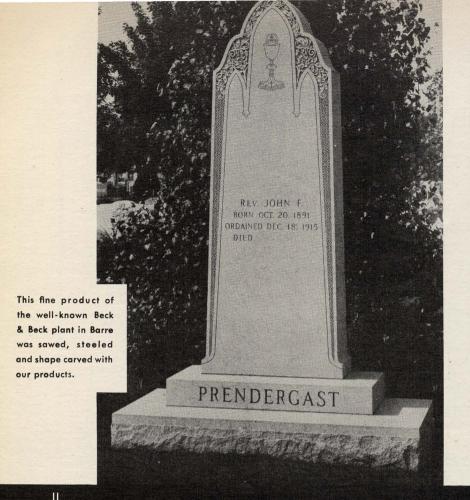
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*Ruemelin Mfg. Co., 3844 No. Palmer St., Milwaukee, Wis.

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The monument business as a whole seems to agree with Colonel Ayres and other Business Economists who after lengthy investigations have decided that what we all need most is more customers.

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Q. In view of the fact that cremation may become a necessity, will the Church continue to oppose the practice? (M. W.)

A. If and when cremation becomes a necessity or is enforced by civil law, the Church will, of course, re-adjust her present legislation, and withdraw the penalties for Catholics.

Even now, cremation is permitted by the Church in cases of emergency which may arise, for example, in time of plague or war.

Apart from such emergencies, we do not believe that cremation can become a necessity, in spite of the arguments put forward.—CATHOLIC TIMES, 7th January, 1938.

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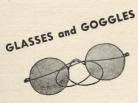
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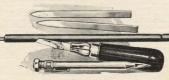
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Piqua, Ohio, February 22, 1938. MONUMENTAL NEWS

Gentlemen: Since I have a little time today I wish to bring around another point "diplomacy", which I feel is very much needed in our business.

Many sales are lost because the salesman did some undiplomatic thing, probably unconscious that he was doing it. Diplomacy plays a highly important part in selling. It will always be important. In my opinion the most frequent errors that salesmen make, which show a lack of diplomacy, are:

They permit themselves to get into an argument with a customer.

They carry an attitude that they are better and know more about everything than the customer.

They under-estimate the customer's intelligence.

They refuse to show interest when the customer begins to talk.

They are too persistent in trying to land the order.

They knock the goods of a competitor in which the customer believes.

They show resentment when the customer turns them down.

The possibilities for saying or doing the undiplomatic things run into the hundreds. The above are only a few suggestions.

Analyze yourself on this matter. Try and find out if there are any points on which you are not as diplomatic as you should be when talking to a customer. The best way to make this analysis is with a pencil and paper. Get off in some quiet corner some evening and make a list of the points upon which you feel you should watch your step when outlining a proposition to a customer.

Analysis of this kind is bound to do good and will help you during your selling.

Now don't think that this suggestion is absurd and childish. I know you are grown-up men and graduated from doing "home-work" years ago, but no man is ever so perfect that there is no longer room for improvement, and remember that no idea is entirely clear in mind unless it can be defined intelligently on a sheet of paper. I know, because I have tried it."

Yours very truly, The Miami Granite Co., Leo J. Comolli,

"PEACE"

Friend News: We found this clipping saved from B. L. T.'s column, its title was Peace:

'In his sepulcher in Paris sleeps Napoleon. A mausoleum of transcendent beauty, lighted by windows of predominating blue that tint the interior perpetually with the soft azure of summer skies. A place of profound and eternal peace. How incongruous it seems that so relentless a warrior should have attained, at last, such a perfect Nirvana. Flags of his legions hang from the walls tattered and limp. Busts of his marshals rest in niches round about. Heroic symbols and figures of yesterday. Only sad remnants and reminders of war today. But whatever future wars may rage about them, nothing can disturb their peace any more; the peace earned by those who died."

Eolus.

We pass on its beauty to your readers.

MISREPRESENTATION AND FRAUD

In the issue of the PATHFINDER of March 19th, 1938, is the following advertisement: the Heading, Tombstone \$12.50, freight prepaid—a pictured small memorial with the following copy:

Save up to 50%. Monuments of enduring beauty. Free lettering, satisfaction guaranteed. Catalog free. Southern Art Stone Company, 1927 V. Piedmont Road, Atlanta, Georgia.

This page from the widely circulated magazine—was sent to us by the W. Weirtheimer & Sons Company of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, with the following letter:

March 21, 1938.

Editor of Monumental News:

Dear Sir: The enclosed clipping should be of interest to other members of our industry. Apparently they supply a composition stone, but the ad doesn't explain and is therefor misleading. We suggest that the company should be investigated.

Sincerely yours,
W. WERTHEIMER & SONS,
Herman Wertheimer.

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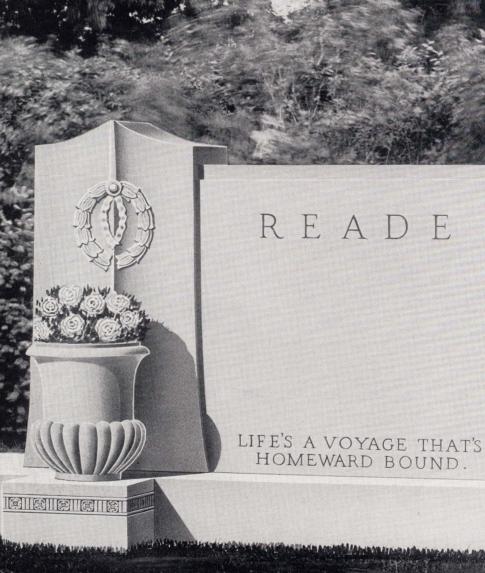
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