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Freeman French Freeman carries the distinction of having a female partner, Ruth R. Freeman. In 1937 Mrs. Freeman and her husband, William W. Freeman, both graduates of Cornell University, were joined by John C. French, Jr., in starting the present firm. William Wiese II was admitted to the partnership some three years ago.

Mrs. Freeman is registered architect number 5 in the State of Vermont and is a member of the American Institute of Architects, the Vermont Association of Architects and a member of the Vermont State Registration Board for Architects. She is a director of the Alumni Association for the College of Architecture at Cornell University.

Mr. Freeman is a registered architect in Vermont and New York and is also a registered professional engineer in the State of Vermont. He is a member of the American Institute of Architects, Vermont Association of Architects, American Society for Testing Materials and a director of the Greater Burlington Industrial Corporation. A retired lieutenant commander, U.S. Naval Reserve, Mr. Freeman is an active sailing enthusiast and Commodore of the Malletts Bay Boat Club.

Mr. French is a graduate of Wentworth Institute and prior to joining the firm, worked with Brainard & Leeds, J. F. Larson and Frank Lyman Austin. He is registered as an architect in Vermont and Massachusetts and a member of the American Institute of Architects, Vermont Association of Architects, Vermont Historical Building Survey and Vermont State Society of Engineers.

As a graduate of the College of Architecture at the University of Virginia, Mr. Wiese served as a Naval Aviator during World War II and again during the Korean Emergency. He is a registered architect in the State of Vermont, a member of the American Institute of Architects and the Vermont Association of Architects. He is active in civic affairs and is a director of the Burlington Boys Club.

The office of Freeman French Freeman has consistently grown since its founding and recently completed its 1000th project. Assisting as associates in the administration and execution of the firm's responsibilities are Mr. R. C. Sidle, Mr. W. R. Moulton, Mr. F. A. Senftleber and Mr. R. A. Metz. The staff includes an engineering department of four, two interior designers, fourteen architectural draftsmen, three field supervisors, three project engineers, a specification writer, an office manager and two secretaries.
Completed in 1960, the 132,015 sq ft covered by the Post Office and Courthouse Building in Burlington, Vermont, includes a basement, six floors, and a mechanical penthouse. Space is provided for the Post Office staff and equipment, a public lobby, postal workroom, immigration department, internal revenue department, U.S. Marshal, Circuit Courtroom, hearing rooms, Veterans Administration, and other Federal agencies.

Two passenger elevators serve the basement to the 6th floor. Three steam boilers No. 6 oil fired supply zone controlled convectors around the building perimeter. Mechanical ventilation is forced tempered air. Air conditioning is provided for the courtroom and judges chambers. All lighting is fluorescent.

**PRINCIPAL SUBCONTRACTORS AND MANUFACTURERS**

- Heating, Ventilating, Air Conditioning, and Plumbing—Coffey & Teachout Corp.
- Electric Subcontractor—Norfolk Electric Company.
- Reinforcing Steel—J. Scanlon Company.
- Structural Steel and Miscellaneous Iron—Vermont Structural Steel Corp.
- Vault Doors—Herring-Hall-Marvin Safe Co.
- Elevators—Otis Elevator Co.
- Aluminum Sash—Ware Windows.
- Glass—Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.
- Sargent Hardware.
- Acoustical Subcontractor—Bader Co.
- Mail Chutes and Boxes—Capital Mail Chute Corp.

The purpose of this project was to provide an office building and a factory addition for G. S. Blodgett Co., Inc., manufacturers of Blodgett Ovens. The office building covers an area of 5,568 sq ft, plus an underground tunnel (65' long x 8'0" wide) leading to the manufacturing plant—plant addition covers 7,320 sq ft. This tunnel is completely insulated and wrapped in a waterproofing membrane.

The lower floor of the office section provides space for experimental laboratories, engineering and office areas as well as mechanical, storage, and toilet rooms. The main floor, structured with exterior walls of brick and concrete block and interior partitions of metal studs and lath, includes a large general office area, a staff lounge, managers' offices, president's office, and conference room. All walls in the building are finished with plaster, except in the executive office and conference room where sliced red birch adds the beauty due this area. Floors in these rooms are carpeted—resilient tile and ceramic tile are utilized elsewhere.

Situated on a filled portion of the east shore of Lake Champlain, the poor foundation conditions required that the entire building be floated on a heavy reinforced concrete slab. The exterior walls of the foundation are reinforced concrete; interior walls are concrete block. Ceilings are mineral fiber acoustical tile. Roofing is 4-ply built-up type laid over on steel decking. All glass in the structure is tinted insulating glass.

**PRINCIPAL SUBCONTRACTORS AND MANUFACTURERS**

- Mechanical—F. S. Lanou & Son.
- Electrical—Ray's Electric Service.
- Structural Steel and Miscellaneous Iron—Vermont Structural Steel Corp.
- Hollow Metals, Steel Sash—Vermont Engineering & Supply Co.
- Millwork—T. A. Haigh Lumber Co.
- Concrete—W. C. Kirby.
- Pneumatic Tube System—Lamson Corp.
- Hydraulic Elevators—Bay State Elevator Co.
- Glass and Glazing—Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.
- Hardware—Strong Hardware.
- Acoustical Ceilings—Bader Co.
- Painting—Rocheleau Decorating Co.
A full basement and four floors, covering a total 26,724 sq. ft., is provided for in the Burlington Federal Savings and Loan Bank. The basement includes mechanical and storage space as well as employees' lounges and toilet facilities. On the ground floor is found the main banking room, bookkeeping facilities, drive-up window, officers' platform, administrative offices, conference rooms, and a balcony lounge with a directors' room and closing room. The second and third floors are office rental spaces divided at the option of the leasee.

Reinforced concrete footings and walls with concrete block interior basement partitions comprise the foundation. Also in the structural make-up is a steel-frame construction with Robertson steel raceway deck supporting concrete slab floors; aluminum curtain walls with plate glass lights and tempered ceramic glass spandrel panels; Robertson steel roof decking with built-up roof. The exterior brick is glazed gray. Terrazzo covers the banking room floors; resilient tile floors are found elsewhere. Ceilings are mineral fiber acoustical tile throughout.

The lighting in the bank is entirely flush fixture fluorescent. Two boilers supply heat through a hot water system and a 75-ton chiller supplies refrigeration for year-round conditioning. There are no operating vent sash in the building.

**PRINCIPAL SUBCONTRACTORS AND MANUFACTURERS**

- **Mechanical Contractor**—Teachout Bros.
- **Bituminous Paving**—Vermont Paving Co.
- **Toilet Partitions**—Mills Co.
- **Structural Glazed Tile**—Natco.
- **Hollow Metals**—American Steel Products Co.
- **Cement**—Atlas.
- **Electrical**—Vidal Electric Co.
- **Steel Deck and Curtain Wall**—Vermont Engineering & Supply Co.
- **Painting**—Rocheleau Decorating Co.
- **Glass and Glazing**—Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.
- **Millwork**—Flanders Lumber.
- **Hydraulic Elevator**—Bay State Elevator Company.
- **Lathing and Plastering**—McGranahan Co.
- **Acoustical Ceilings**—Bader Co.
- **Ceramic Tile**—Bloom, South & Curney, Inc.

**PROPOSED UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT GYMNASIUM**

The University of Vermont can proudly display this proposed gymnasium and field house. The modern structure, costing an estimated $2,300,000, includes three basketball courts, bleachers for 5,000 fans, a swimming pool, a cage for a ¼-mile track, infield practice and field events, squash courts, showers, lockers, administration offices, coaches' rooms, two classrooms, a multi-purpose room, and supporting facilities.
September, 1959, saw the completion of the Charles P. Smith Elementary School in Burlington, Vermont. The structure provides twelve general classrooms, two kindergarten rooms, a multipurpose room with stage and kitchen, a teachers' room, health room, storage and lavatory facilities.

Covering a total area of 26,500 sq. ft. and with a designed capacity of 420, the entire building is electrically heated with power from the city-owned electric generating station. Individual thermostats are found throughout. The kindergarten rooms have electric radiant ceilings as well as unit ventilators and convectors with electric heating coils which are found in the rest of the building.

Footings and exterior foundation walls are reinforced concrete; interior foundation walls are concrete block. The floors of the school are concrete slabs on grade, while the walls are structured of brick, backed with 2" foamglass insulation and concrete block. Bearing walls and steel columns support steel roof framing. 3" tectum roof deck, covered with 2" foamglass insulation and built-up roofing comprise the roof system. 2" perimeter insulation protects slab perimeters. Ceilings are cane fiber acoustical tile; floors are asphalt tile.

PRINCIPAL SUBCONTRACTORS
AND MANUFACTURERS

Electric—Vidal Electric Co.
Plumbing and Heating—Ovellette Plumbing & Heating Co.
Ventilating—Vermont Heating and Ventilating Co.
Structural Steel—Vermont Structural Steel Corp.
Lathing and Plastering—P. H. McGranahan Co., Inc.
Acoustical Ceilings—Bader Co.
Millwork—T. A. Haigh Lumber Co.
Paving—Vermont Paving Co.
Roofing—Major L. Rodd.
Painting and Resilient Floors—Rocheleau Decorating Co.
Glass—Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.
Masonry Work—Jones Construction Co.
Concrete—S. T. Griswold Co.
Another addition to Burlington's educational units is the Lyman C. Hunt Junior High School, completed in 1958. As a three-year school, the building has a design capacity of 600 and covers an area of 63,212 square feet. Included for the use of its student population are two shops and a planning classroom, an art room, two science rooms, music room, sloped-floor auditorium, wooden-floor gymnasium, locker and shower rooms, teachers' rooms, administrative offices, library, homemaking room, cafeteria, kitchen, 18 general classrooms, boiler room, storage and toilet facilities.

The structural frame of the school is of light steel with steel roof deck, 1" rigid insulation and 4-ply built-up roofing. Steel window wall units with insulated porcelain enamel panels form the lightweight skin areas. Floors are covered with asphalt tile, with the exception of the kitchen and toilet rooms where ceramic tile is used. Block walls are painted; plaster walls are covered with Kalistran; ceilings are cane fiber acoustical tile.

The heating system is composed of two steam boilers feeding unit ventilators operated by individual room thermostats.

PRINCIPAL SUBCONTRACTORS AND MANUFACTURERS

- Heating, Ventilating and Plumbing: Teachout Brothers.
- Electrical: H. W. Ashline.
- Reinforcing, Structural Steel: Vermont Structural Steel Corp.
- Miscellaneous Iron: Vermont Engineering & Supply Co.
- Glass and Glazing: Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.
- Acoustical Tile: Bader Co.
- Roofing and Sheet Metal: Major L. Rodd.
- Lathing and Plastering: P. H. McCranahan Co.
- Asphalt Tile Installation: Kesseli and Morse Co.
- Painting: Hugh Ramsden & Son.
- Finish Hardware: Strong Hardware.
- Chalk and Tackboards: Bay State Blackboard Co.
The structural description of the $272,113 building includes reinforced concrete basement walls supporting rigid steel frames and roof bents. The wood first floor system spans between steel crossbeams. 2 1/2" wood roof decking is exposed and spans between steel rigid bent frames. 1" rigid insulation and slate shingle complete the roof finish. Exposed walls on the exterior are of stone to match the older structure. Interior walls are generally wood stud cores with plaster finish. Where natural wood appears for trim, wainscot, organ screen, etc., selected solid cherry was used.

This project located in Montpelier, Vermont, included demolition of an existing church nave, erection of a new one and alterations to the remainder of the existing structure. The solution, both in plan and elevation, produced an unusually successful merging of old and new through matching materials and contrasting design. Areas created in the basement below the new nave and within the existing building include a large fellowship hall with stage and pressing rooms, a kitchen, lobby, toilets, five classrooms and a new boiler room.
In 1956 co-eds from the University of Vermont acquired the facilities of a new dormitory (capacity—400) and dining hall (capacity—600). The dorm is structured in three units—two of four floors each and one of five floors—connected at the ground floor to form social lounges and dining areas. A typical floor of the modern campus addition includes eighteen double bedrooms attractively and conveniently designed with acoustical tile floors and painted rubbed concrete and stipple ceilings. Walls are concrete block and brick cavity. Also found in each floor is a carpeted “pajama lounge,” ceramic tiled toilets and showers, and storage areas. Each dormitory unit offers an apartment for a resident counselor, an entrance lobby, mail room, and reception desk.

Dining and kitchen facilities are unusually complete with dry storage rooms, four refrigerated rooms, dietitian’s office, employees’ locker room and lavatories, a full bakery, dishwashing room and steam tables. Equipment has been provided to prepare all types of foods for either cafeteria service or table service. The cost for the kitchen facilities was approximately $100,000.00

PRINCIPAL SUBCONTRACTORS AND MANUFACTURERS

Food Service—S. Blickman, Inc.
Hardware—Denison, Inc.
Reinforcing—Bethlehem Steel.
Miscellaneous Iron—Vermont Structural Steel Corp.
Stairs—T. A. Haigh Lumber Co.
Millwork—Ovellette Plumbing & Heating Co.
Fitzgibbons Boilers—York Oil Burners—U. S. Radiator Corporation
Controls—Vermont Heating & Ventilating Co.
Fixtures—Kohler Fixtures—Hope’s Windows.
NEW OFFICE BUILDING PLANNED FOR STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

Pictured is the architect's rendering of the new five-story office building now under construction at 777 Summer Street, Stamford, Conn. The building is designed by Sherwood, Mills, and Smith of Stamford, who will occupy the top floor. Partner A. Raymond von Brock, A.I.A., is in charge of the design.

The building is a joint project of the F. D. Rich Company, Stamford construction firm and M. Shapiro & Son, Inc., of White Plains, N.Y.

The centrally air-conditioned commercial structure features an aluminum curtain wall with vertical gold mullions, black spandrel panels and heat absorbent glass. It is set well back from the street with a pleasant, landscaped plaza, containing shade trees, shrubs and sitting height walls.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Norman A. Homysy, A.I.A., Registered Architect, has been elected to a five-year term on the Planning Board in his town of Needham, Massachusetts.

Mr. Homysy attended Northeastern University, Harvard, and the Boston Architectural Center; he is a registered Architect in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, and Vermont, and holds a National Council of Architects Registration Board Certificate. He is a veteran of World War II and the holder of the Army Commendation Ribbon.

Mr. Homysy is presently associated with the firm of W. Chester Browne and Associates, Inc., Architects and Engineers, at 122-128 Arlington Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Massachusetts Cement Block Company to Offer New Use for Ancient Product

A combination of circumstances has recently re-awakened an ancient interest in pumice stone as a construction material. Found on the volcanic island of Lipari, about twenty miles from the Northern Coast of Sicily in the Tyrrenian Sea, the stone is extracted with comparative ease from great white cliffs on the northeastern coast of the island, one of the only places in the world where the volcanic action, the chemical composition of the ash, and the temperature and chemistry of the sea water combine fortuitously to produce a white pumice suitable for commercial use.

One of the first Massachusetts manufacturers to bring in a shipment of this product for use in lightweight blocks was the Massachusetts Cement Block Company. Mr. Jack Freedman, Treasurer of the Boston concern, revealed that the pumice blocks manufactured from this aggregate are especially suitable for the construction of partitions as they allow easy installation, fire protection, sound absorption, and elimination of painting due to their whiteness in color.

The site of extraction is one of all most festive color, with Mr. Ferlazzo's quarrymen beheaded in red bandanas and carrying lunches in wicker baskets. During the third week of April the Starfighter, a small Transatlantic ship, arrived at Lipari and was loaded with carefully graded and sorted pumice. Although most Europe-bound steamers are loaded from bags carried out to the ship in row boats, installed on a pier originally built for inter-island schooners. Three weeks after departing from the location of the white pumice mountain, the Starfighter docked in Boston and released her goods to the Massachusetts distributor.

In Lipari, meanwhile, work is proceeding on new facilities to make pumice more readily available to the American concrete block industry, and thus, the American construction industry. The Massachusetts Cement Block Company now has another dependable product to offer its customers.

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CONSTRUCTION BEGAN ON $300,000 INDUSTRIAL BUILDING

Norlee Aluminum Products Company has begun construction of a $300,000 building on Tobey Road, Bloomfield, Connecticut's south industrial zone. The corporation which manufactures aluminum doors, siding, awnings, etc., expects to be in their new 43,000 sq. ft. building this summer. Approximately 4,000 sq. ft. has been provided for general office, engineering and estimating departments.

The building was designed by the office of Arnold Lawrence, Architect, Manchester, Connecticut, and consulting engineering on site work and landscaping by the office of Morton S. Fine, Hartford, Connecticut.

JOHN CLARKESON, PROMINENT BOSTON ENGINEER, ELECTED TO AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CONSULTING ENGINEERS

The American Institute of Consulting Engineers has just announced the election to membership of John Clarkeson, President of the Clarkeson Engineering Company, Inc., of Boston, and the firm of John Clarkeson—Consulting Engineer, with offices in Albany, Providence and New York City. Mr. Clarkeson is a nationally known consulting engineer and has directed the activity of his firm in the planning, design and supervision of construction of many major highways, municipal improvement, airport and other projects, as well as assignments in the field of research and development. These projects have been in the six New England states, Washington, D. C., Virginia and New York.

Long known as a spokesman for the engineering profession, Mr. Clarkeson is a member of several professional societies and organizations, and is a member of the Executive reserve.

The American Institute of Consulting Engineers is an organization of established consulting engineers in private practice in all fields of engineering. Established in 1910, the Institute has been a potent force in the development of the world's engineering projects.

BUSINESS EQUIPMENT CORPORATION

Claud S. Bunyard, prominent English designer, has been appointed Director of Design of Business Equipment Corporation, announced Melvin L. Levin, President.

After achieving a broad background in many aspects of design in England, Mr. Bunyard has spent the past nine years creating both residential and commercial interiors in the greater Boston area.

His custom furniture designs have received wide recognition. A table of his design was selected for exhibit in the United States Pavilion at the World's Fair in Brussels in 1958.

Mr. Bunyard stated that Boston is now at the threshold of its greatest building boom. "It is profoundly important that the offices here reflect the beauty and efficiency that can be achieved only with good contemporary design," he said.

A. S. MACALASTER NAMED PRESIDENT MACALASTER BICKNELL CORPORATION

Formation of a new concern, Macalaster Bicknell Corporation, has just been announced. It is a successor to Macalaster Bicknell Company and will have as its President, Andrews S. Macalaster, son of one of the original founders. The new company will continue the manufacture and distribution of scientific instruments, custom scientific glassware and laboratory supplies. Added to these lines will be science teaching aids.

Andrews S. Macalaster Long a major factor in New England's famous science community as supplier of many thousands of kinds of laboratory equipment requirements, the company is also widely known nationally for its manufacture of special research apparatus.

Since the spring of 1960, it has gained a widely acclaimed place in the science teaching field through its selection as manufacturer-distributor of the apparatus designed by the Physical Science Study Committee for use in connection with the Committee's dynamic new course in high school Physics.

Devoted to the philosophy of low cost, simple, yet technically advanced apparatus, the company is making a considerable contribution to the new concepts of science education based on a high degree of student experiment participation impossible in the past due to high apparatus costs. It is expected that these concepts will find expression at the elementary school level and at the college level as well.

The critical importance of the effort undertaken by the Physical Science Study Committee has recently been highlighted by the receipt by its prime mover, Dr. Jerold Zacharias, of the Oersted Medal. This medal was conferred on him by the American Association of Physics Teachers and drew the personal congratulations of President Kennedy for farsightedness and ability in developing an exciting curriculum for a secondary school physics teaching.
HARDWARE CLUB ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The 1200 Beacon Street Motel, Brookline, Mass., was the scene of the April meeting of the NEW ENGLAND BUILDERS HARDWARE CLUB.

President John Redman announced that Bob McCabe of the Campbell Hardware Co., Newton, Mass., had been declared the winner of the scholarship award for the Architectural Hardware Course at Ohio State University. Bob will join previous winners Ralph Robbins of Hardware Specialties, West Springfield, Mass., and Bill Jones of Grossman’s, Inc., Quincy, Mass.

Following the business meeting, the members were entertained by Mr. Bill Garvey, of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, who gave a thought-provoking talk, accompanied by movies on the subject of America’s satellite and missile program.

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BUILDING EXPANDS WITH BUSINESS

Construction now underway to more than double the floor space of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company headquarters building and accommodate the company’s growth at least through 1975, is being facilitated by plans drawn in 1939 when the original structure was designed.

The original building, near Copley Square in Boston, was completed in 1911 with a main section 10 stories high, four-story wings, and an open area in the center. Now the building is being expanded to cover all of its 381 1/2’ x 195’ ground area to a height of 10 stories, adding 248,000 square feet of office space to the present 202,000. Comparable expansion of the building’s elevator system is underway and by 1975 its four original Otis elevators will have been increased to 12.

When original plans for the building were drafted in 1939, foundations were designed to take the extra stories now being added. Looking ahead to the day when the building would have to grow, its architect also planned the exterior so that construction could be carried on outside the existing walls without disturbing workers inside. Construction is relatively quiet, since the new steelwork is being bolted rather than riveted.

As the building’s population has grown to its present 1,530 occupants, its elevator system has been improved and enlarged. The four “signal control” elevators installed in 1941 were modernized in 1956 for completely automatic, electronically-controlled “Autotronic” operation, and two more cars of this type were added.

A bank of four such elevators is being installed in the new 10-story section, with extra hoistways for two more elevators to be added when the building’s population reaches 2,400. It will then have 12 elevators, with ample capacity for the 3,200 people expected to be working in the building by 1975.

DO YOU OWN A COPY OF IT’S THE LAW

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MODERN BLUE PRINT

Modern Blue Print Company announced the opening of new facilities in a three-story building at 90 Berkeley Street in Boston.

Open house ceremonies were held recently for customers, suppliers, and friends, to unveil these completely modern facilities planned for maximum efficiency and ease of operation. The opening was also arranged to coincide with the company's 47th year of continuous service as leading New England suppliers of reproduction services and equipment to engineering, architectural, and industrial companies.

According to a statement made by Thomas E. Oliver, President of the Company, "... every effort has been made to create outstanding facilities so that we may better serve our customers."

"On the first floor, for example," Oliver pointed out, "our designers, Van Christo Associates of Boston, have presented a totally new concept in showroom design. The newest types of supplies and instruments are attractively displayed for easy examination, and quick service is assured from an extensive inventory in two well-stocked storage areas. For customer convenience, orders for reproductions may also be placed here."

Oliver also pointed out that the Company was founded by his father, Guy Oliver (now board chairman), in 1914, so that 47 years of specialized experience and technical know-how form a solid foundation for the Company's operations.

"These new facilities," Oliver said in a closing statement, "represent our Company's latest step in a planned program to continually make the most modern equipment available to our many customers. As a major supplier of specialized services to the entire New England area, we are mindful of our continued responsibilities to our customers to provide them with the most efficient and best type of service—economically and promptly."

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Purpose of the Competition is to provide educational and financial assistance to fourth-year architecture students through the granting of fifth-year tuition scholarships at participating schools.

Schools participating in the annual competition are periodically selected on a geographical rotation basis from among the 67 member colleges and universities of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture. This insures a variety of architectural styles representing the regional areas of the country.

The Koppers Competition is actually a series of individual efforts at each school of architecture represented. Students compete solely against classmates at their respective schools, not on a national basis.

As in previous years, the department of architecture at each school selected its own design subject and wrote its own problem. A panel of judges at each school selected finalists from among the competing students. The only stipulation made by Koppers was that each design entered make primary use of flat built-up roofing.

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CLEMSON COLLEGE. Project: a 150-bed hospital; Winner: Robert Johnson.

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METAL ART GLASS PANELS INTRODUCED BY BAUT STUDIOS

Stained glass, one of man's oldest art tools, today is achieving new popularity as a decorative material through the development of a technique for mounting it in aluminum.

The innovation, which affords designers and architects broad possibilities for treating door and window openings, sandwiches the stained glass between two thin sheets of aluminum into which a selected design has been cut. The glass then appears through the openings. Known as Metal Art Glass Panels, the new application was perfected by Baut Studios, Inc., Forty Fort, Pa., and utilizes metal supplied by Aluminum Company of America.

Ideal where an artistic color design effect is desired for church windows, classic doors, and commercial and institutional buildings, the panels can be produced in a variety of finishes. Contrasting drastically with conventional stained glass, which is limited in practical use to about 18 square feet, these panels can be made in sections up to 50 square feet.

Baut Studios' method of construction begins when the aluminum sheets are cut or pierced to execute the design, and pieces of mouth-blown glass are sandwiched between the layers of light metal. The sections of glass are then surrounded by an epoxy resin, allowing the various parts to expand and contract independently.

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Multiple light planes, and degrees of color density, are achieved by the casting of the individual pieces of glass and by variations in glass thickness. Designs never before possible are now available because of the flexibility afforded by using web members of various widths.

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For further information on Metal Art Glass Panels, contact Baut Studios, Inc., 1031 Wyoming St., Forty Fort, Pa.

NEW SCHOOL DESIGN PROGRAM AVAILABLE

A colorful, new booklet showing how schools can be designed to meet a variety of site and functional requirements has just been released by the National Lumber Manufacturers Association as part of a newly available, complete school design program.

Entitled "Blueprint For Better Schools," the booklet features ways of using wood to produce an esthetic, economical, efficient structure. The designs were developed by Cooper and Auerbach, A.I.A., of Washington, D.C.

Three basic junior high school concept designs are presented: a compact structure for a level building site, a hillside school intended for rolling or hilly terrain, and a pavilion unit readily adaptable for random campus planning.

Besides including isometric renderings, site plans, sketches, and detail drawings, "Blueprint For Better Schools" illustrates a wide variety of exterior siding, interior panelings, and door and window designs. The booklet also shows flat, sloping, and curved roofs supported by beam-and-purlin and beam-and-rafter systems, laminated wood bents, laminated beams, bow-string trusses, and V-arches.

Single copies of the "Blueprint For Better Schools" booklet are available without charge from the Wood Information Center, National Lumber Manufacturers Association, 1319 18th Street, N.W., Washington 6, D.C. Also available on request are detailed structural data.

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A 16-page technical brochure and file folders of complete "Test Reports" and "Construction Details" have just been made available on SPECTRA-GLAZE glazed concrete masonry units. The brochure describes product features, and details advantages of specific shapes included among the total 37 illustrated. Four pages of full-color plates show accurately the 18 standard and 26 accent colors available.

"Test Reports," reprinted from consulting laboratory originals, give results of tests on all major physical and chemical properties of the glaze itself and concrete shapes finished with it.

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Worthington Corporation announced today that they have received a contract from Agfo Engineering Company, Brooklyn, New York, to supply air conditioning units for mammoth Penn Station South, a $85 million low income cooperative housing project currently under construction in the Chelsea area near Pennsylvania Station.

According to Worthington this is the first time that a housing project of this type will be completely air conditioned.

Under joint sponsorship of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, and United Housing Foundation, the project being built by Mutual Redevelopment Houses, Inc., calls for the construction of ten 20-story apartment houses, serving 2,800 families. Worthington is providing 6,700 fan coil air conditioning units—the largest single order of its kind in the company's history.

Located in a six block area running from 23rd to 29th Streets, between Eighth and Ninth Avenues, the development will include a shopping center, background parking facilities, gardens, as well as service and community rooms.

Apartments will range from 2 rooms to 5 1/2 rooms. Tenant owners will invest approximately $650 per room. Rentals are expected to average $22-23 per room per month.

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**PAN AM BUILDING TO HAVE MO-SAI "CURTAIN WALLS"**

The 59-story Pan Am Building, which will rise in the next two years adjacent to Grand Central Terminal on Park Avenue, will be covered with Mo-Sai, a pre-cast concrete curtain wall material that has a distinctive texture and color, partly imparted by the very hard exposed quartz aggregate.

Many of the new skyscrapers built in New York and other metropolitan centers in the last decade have been sheathed with metal skins, but developments during the past few months indicate a new trend is toward textured masonry, such as Mo-Sai.

Facade of aluminum or steel, accented by tinted glass, something dominated big building architecture after World War II, but building plans of new skyscrapers as well as low sprawling office and business buildings going up across America reflect a shift in faces to facades with the texture and tone of the new masonry materials such as Mo-Sai.

Many architects maintain the prominence of new masonry products for skyscrapers came as a result of the search for facades with warmth, depth and texture, in contrast to the slick cold surfaces of aluminum, glass and steel.

When completed in 1962, the massive, eight-sided Pan Am tower will accommodate 25,000 office workers, and will be the largest office building of its type ever built by man. The structure will stand 830 feet tall, and will contain 2,400,000 square feet of office area.
In the case of the Pan Am Building, 600,000 square feet of outer surface will be covered with 11,000 units of precast Mo-Sai, manufactured by The Dextone Co. of New Haven, Connecticut. Dextone was awarded a $250,000 contract for the Mo-Sai erected on the building.

According to Mr. Louis Falco, president of The Dextone Company, each Mo-Sai tower unit will be manufactured in one piece, 6 feet by 13 feet, spanning from floor to floor. They will be pre-fabricated under precise plant controls at their North Haven plant and shipped by flatbed trailer to the construction site at 200 Park Avenue.

"One economical aspect of Mo-Sai is the use of integral lightweight concrete in the spandrel of each Tower unit," Mr. Falco said. "Lightweight concrete cast integrally in the manufacturing process at our plant makes a sturdy, fire-safe backing that adequately meets the New York Construction Code without need for further masonry backing on the job."

White translucent quartz will be used as the aggregate for the face of each Mo-Sai unit, so when completed the building will take on a clean, egg shell-colored hue and give the New York skyline a novel and unique building.

Mr. Falco said 125,000 cubic feet of concrete, 20,000,000 pounds of quartz, 600,000 pounds of reinforcing steel and 7,500 barrels of white cement, will be used in the manufacturing process. From the eighth floor up, where the octagonal tower soars into the sky, the Mo-Sai units will give the building aesthetic vertical lines, as well as a textured, shadowed effect. Each unit will frame a window, with vertical fins jutting out 13 inches on each side, a simple spandrel panel below and window lintel above. Aluminum-framed windows on pivots will be attached to each unit. In place, the individual Mo-Sai unit will span one whole floor. Each unit is simply bolted to steel outriggers attached to the super-structure of the building.

The Pan Am Building was designed by a team of architects, consisting of Emery Roth & Sons, Waller Gropius and Pietro Belluschi, all famous names in the world of architecture. It is being sponsored by Erwin Wolfson of New York and Jack Cotton of London. General Contractor is Diesel Construction Co. of New York City, Carl A. Morse, President.

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NORTON DOOR CLOSER
Norton Door Closer Company announces the availability of a new series of woodgrain covers for Series 7000 surface-mounted narrow-projection door closers. For the first time, closers are available covered with the same woodgrain exterior as the doors they control.

The door closer covers are metal with a thin lamination of wood veneer (Flexwood) bonded to the exterior. They are available from stock in six of the most popular woodgrains and as a special order from a selection of 69 exotic and native woodgrains. Covers for these Norton Door Closers may be ordered from stock in Honduras Mahogany, Flat Cut Oak, Red Birch, Flat Cut Walnut, Teak and Cherry.

The wood is supplied natural so it may be finished by the decorator to perfectly match the finish of the wood door. Series 7000 door closers are full rack-and-pinion hydraulic operating closers that project less than two inches from the surface of the door. They are available with regular, parallel, holder or fusible link arms for either right- or left-handed doors.

Dual controls permit a wide range of regulation for both closing and latch speeds.

For complete details and specifications for these new woodgrain covered door closers write for Bulletin "WG," Information Department, Norton Door Closer Company, 572 Meyer Road, Bensenville, Illinois.
NEW SCULPTURED GLASS WALL
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New office of the Dun-Well Construction Company in Wyandotte, Michigan, features a wall of pure white Sculptured Glass Modules.

The Modules—hollow units with a design pressed in both faces—have a white ceramic finish on their outer faces. The color, which is fused onto the surface, is translucent and allows light to pass through.

Recently introduced by the Pittsburgh Corning Corporation, the Modules are available in four patterns—"Pyramid," "Wedge," "Leaf," and "Harlequin"—and eleven colors.

Architects Deur & Reese of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, chose white "Wedge" units for the Dun-Well office. The units are 12-inches square and 4-inches thick. Their interior is at a partial vacuum which gives them excellent insulation characteristics.

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KILLARK INTRODUCES VERSATILE FLANGE FITTING

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The special award was presented at the annual National Association of Home Builders Convention in Chicago by "Building Products," a national trade magazine of the construction industry.

Sculpta-Grille is a versatile architectural grille panel concept in sculptured plastic for interior and exterior decorations. Embodying the finest technique in plastic engineering, impact-resistant Sculpta-Grille is fully molded on all sides for richness in depth and detail. (The attached brochure fully explains and illustrates the design features and specifications of this outstanding product by the Harvey Design Workshop.) Sculpta-Grille has been installed in the new Air-India ticket office on Fifth Avenue, New York; John Wanamaker, Philadelphia; T. Eaton Co. Department Store, Toronto; Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, as well as in many other commercial buildings and residential homes.

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