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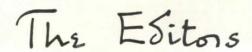
CONSUMER ACCEPTANCE

From every part of the United States we hear from the architects, "Of course you know that this is the most conservative part of the country. The design progress that is being made everywhere else will have to come very slowly here." The South looks enviously at New England; Vermont eyes the Middle West; Indiana casts longing glances at the West Coast; Oregon thinks Florida has greater advantages. You'd suppose that the situation was hopeless everywhere; yet the fact is that from each one of these regions come constant indications of a trend toward design in today's idiom.

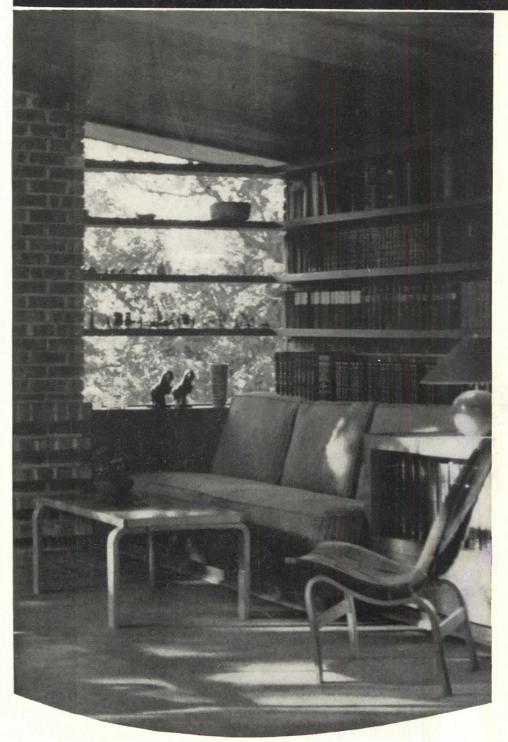
"Lack of acceptance" of architecture that is not copied from previous styles is the usual complaint. We have several theories about this lack of consumer understanding. One is that too many architects still approach a client with the question, "What style do you want?" instead of "What are your needs?" At the same time, it is perfectly true that consumer education in what constitutes good design has been very limited. Many clients who actually want homes think they must ask for styles. "Acceptance" comes slowly because there has not yet been enough indication of what is acceptable. It's a vicious circle.

Your editors are normally concerned with professional exchange, information, and inspiration. However, late into many a night we have been working on a book—Homes, Selected by the Editors of Progressive Architecture—which is intended for the general public. It is our hope that the architects (many of whom helped make the book possible) will find it a useful tool to prove to clients that today's architecture is not only appropriate for today but can be charming and beautiful and livable.

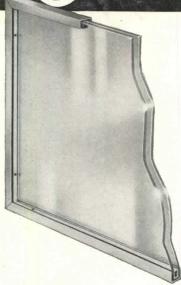
We now step back into our normal role and give you in this issue another in the series of Critiques, for professional reading. Our usual board of outside critics has been replaced this month by ourselves (we've lived with *Homes* for so long, we must be experts) and the owners of the houses presented. These are people who "accepted" a fitting design, have lived with it, and are candidly critical of some features. None of them long for the stately homes of England, however.



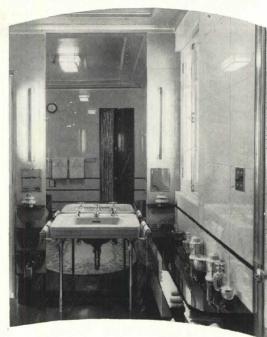
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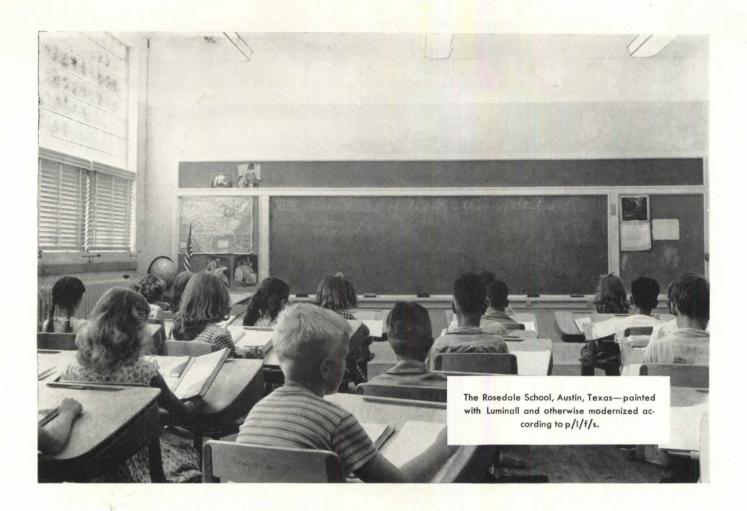
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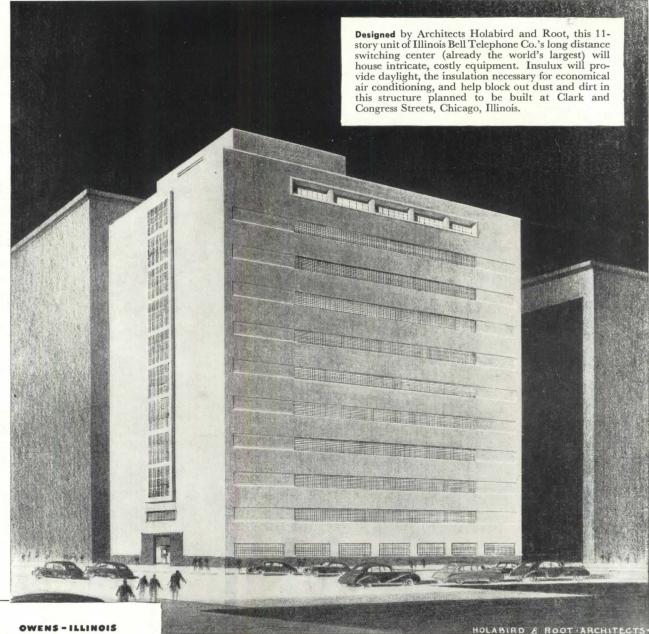
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ARCHITECTS TELL US MORE ABOUT V. A. HOSPITALS

BASIC CONCEPTION WRONG

Dear Editor: We hasten to acknowledge your progress report on the V. A. program. This is an excellent and courageous move on your part and should have the enthusiastic support of the entire architectural profession.

The basic conception of the entire program is wrong and good results cannot be obtained until these fundamentals are corrected. The architect is almost completely isolated from the Medical Division of the V. A. which is equivalent to the client in private work. Too, the program assumes that the architect is incompetent to produce plans and specifications without every move he makes being checked and rechecked.

The architects that have been selected to do these buildings are in large capable of designing these projects without all the advice, supervision, detail checking, and reports, etc., from various branches of the Corps and V. A. The architects render satisfactory service to their clients on their own and can do the same for the Government. Buildings of reasonable cost produced in a minimum time can only be obtained if this unnecessary red tape is removed. The procedure to accomplish this is simple:

- 1. Provide the architect with the design criteria.
- 2. Provide the architect with access to the Medical Section of V. A.
- 3. Submit Phase A to a joint committee of Medical Section of V. A. and Engineer Corps. Submit Phase C to joint committee of Medical Section of V. A. and Corps.
- 4. From this point on, the planning should be under the control of the District Engineer, who alone would be responsible for seeing that the design criteria and suggestions from the various reviews were carried out, thus terminating the unbelievable delay and confusion caused by endless checking in Washington, which among other things prevents the architect from using his judgment on methods of keeping the building cost down. In other words, the Engineer Corps is partially responsible for the unhappy plight of the architects on this program.

Adopting a program as suggested, thus cutting out much of the red tape, would have these beneficial effects to speed up the program-reduce the cost of architectural services, reduce the cost of the Corps' administrative expenses, produce better hospitals at low cost.

The spirit of the personnel of the Engineer Corps has been most cooperative and we appreciate this no end. Our criticism is entirely of the unfortunately incredibly involved red tape inherent in this system.

We believe that more emphasis should be given in your article on the ability of the private architect to produce practical functional designs, rather than emphasizing the inspirational and esthetic in comparison with the very poor planning done by V. A.

THOMAS F. ELLERBE St. Paul, Minn.

THINKS DANGER PASSED

Dear Editor: This is to thank you for your article dealing with the Veterans Hospital Program. I have read it with great interest and think it is a very fair statement of the case.

One of my chief concerns during my tour of duty with the Institute was that the profession might be ground between the millstones of the V. A. and U. S. Engineers, who since the inception of this program have not always worked in complete sympathy with each other. However, I believe now that this situation has been largely clarified and the danger is passed.

I note by this morning's paper that the recommendations of some of the consultants to the Army Engineers and of some of the architects commissioned under this program have been adopted by General Bradley.

They are in effect to remove from the requirements of the V. A. hospitals most of the space not essential to hospitalization. This is indeed a healthy sign, although it will impose on the designing architects almost complete restudy of the lower floors.

JAMES R. EDMUNDS, JR. Baltimore, Md.

COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING

Dear Editor: Your article is well written, it presents the facts fairly, and the general situation was about as you have stated at the time the article was written.

I understand, now, that the Office of Chief of Engineers, and the Veterans Administration have come together on a complete understanding, to the extent that no further delays are anticipated from the insistence of the Construction Department of the Veterans Administration to check the drawings of private architects during each step of their performance.

> JOHN R. FUGARD Fugard, Olsen, Urbain & Neiler Chicago, Ill.

EASIER FOR ARCHITECTS

Dear Editor: Thanks for your August issue review of V. A. hospital work, and the alarms thereunder for the private architects. Architects with commissions to discharge for that program have been concerned with the matters you criticize, and have worked with A.I.A. staff men to protect our interests.

I believe it is common knowledge, now, that the Corps of Engineers, strong supporters of the private architects in my view, will dominate the program, will make it increasingly easy for the private architect to perform creditably on V. A. hospital work.

Let us hope the profession at large will be fully apprised of:

- 1. The alert, aggressive attention given by the American Institute of Architects to preserving a spirit of fair play by all concerned when the work of private architects was under review by the Veterans Administration and the Army Corps of Engineers.
- 2. The fine support given to private architects by the Corps of Engineers while V. A. hospital work is being done. Government work always has its tribulations. That being the case, I am glad to have Army Engineers' guidance thereunder.

We believe we are about to complete our V. A. hospital work in a satisfactory manner.

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DESIGN SECTION FAILURE

Dear Editor: We have read with interest the August "Progress Report," The Veterans Hospital Program, and wish to congratulate you both on the accuracy of the reporting and your analysis of problems which have recently developed and which have been seriously impeding progress.

As stated in your article, the attempt to set up a Civil Service direct design section in the Veterans Administration was a dismal failure. General Omar Bradley, who accepted command of the V. A. only because he felt keenly an obligation to help his beloved veterans, took exactly the right step when he entrusted the Corps of Engineers with complete responsibility for procuring design and construction of the remaining 67 hospitals. There could be little doubt that if the V. A. Board of Review had confined its effort, as originally intended, to assuring itself that preliminary plan solutions would accommodate the functional requirements, stipulated in the original directive, all projects would now be under construction with many nearing completion. However, several conscientious former members of the V. A. design staff could not refrain from requesting retroactive

changes in requirements which caused

many months' delay and insisting on

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certain features in design solutions which involved extravagant cost. We have seen no evidence to support the charge that these tactics were deliberately employed by several V. A. officials in the hope of sabotaging the collaboration between the Corps of Engineers and private firms and regaining complete control of the program. Every member of the Board of Review with whom we came in direct contact appeared more than anxious to be helpful, and they were extremely helpful in

explaining the desires of the V. A. hospital administrators. Nevertheless. requests for retroactive changes in functional requirements and insistence on costly features of design retarded progress and influenced cost. Hence, the recent impasse which we understand has just been overcome by returning complete authority for design supervision to the Corps of Engineers.

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Administration Hospital, we want to thank you for describing the situation with regard to the designing of veterans hospitals.

This is a clear, concise, and accurate statement of the whole matter, and to the architect employed a very costly venture. The trouble is that the Veterans Administration has not and never will agree to the design of veterans hospitals being taken out of their hands, and with General Bradley leaving, as we understand he is contemplating, we fear for the worst.

We appreciate your frank statement of facts and the more publicity given this matter, the more chance the general public has of realizing that the fault does not lie on the shoulders of the private architects who, from what I have seen, are doing an excellent job.

> W. H. TUSLER Magney, Tusler & Setter Minneapolis, Minn.

HAD NO PRESSURE

Dear Editor: We have just received your August editorial on the Veterans Hospital Program. As architects for the Chattanooga Veterans Hospital, we can state that the general information and review of what has happened is, as far as we know, substantially correct as explained in your editorial. In our own case we have not experienced pressure from either the Army or the Veterans Administration to force any preconceived ideas of architectural design or period style. Except for the delays in Washington which you mentioned, and the consequent inconvenience and hardship, the program has been handled to our entire satisfaction and, as far as we know, the Government agencies feel the same way about our handling of the planning and designing of the Chattanooga project.

GILL & BIANCULLI Chattanooga, Tenn.

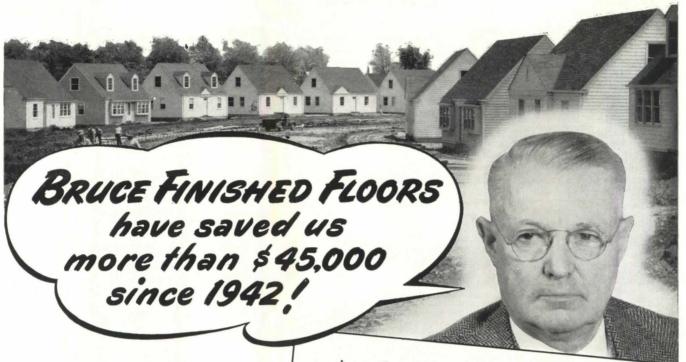
Thus the response to our "Progress Report" in the August issue-reinforced by as many more letters from architects designing V. A. hospitals who thought it impolitic to permit us to quote them. One writer explained, "While there are some rather spicy comments which I should like to make, I believe it would be unwise to make them at the present time." Editor.

WELL NAMED!

Dear Editor: When you changed from Pencil Points to PROGRESSIVE ARCHI-TECTURE, I criticized the new name. Your courteous acknowledgment and invitation to continue to express opinions prompts this letter.

Now I must apologize and accept the fact that the change of name was prophetic of a change of character. Gone are the glorified forms of classic design evolved from Scythian culture

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through Greece and Rome. Not even a Tuscan order remains. This can be accepted in commercial buildings where utility is the controlling factor. But the "Progressive" residential exteriors featured in many recent issues as prizewinners create a sense of "inspiration" from some pre-dynastic period, and not so long ago "specialized" by one Chic Sale. Page 134 of your July issue proves I am not alone, and one of my associates dignified the designs as "chicken coops."

J. C. RUNYON Falls Church, Va.

MORE LOGIC? . . . OR MORE ESTHETICS?

Dear Editor: The article of Mr. Kirchman has my interest. My comments on this are as follows:

Design is an emotional as well as an intellectual process. It is the intuition of the designer which gives direction whereas his intellect controls and reasons. The functional approach is therefore only a subordinated part of the creative act of designing as necessary

Since 28 years I have tried to clarify this basic conception of contemporary architectural design by writing, teaching, lecturing. Through the first 10

years of development of the Bauhaus this twofold aspect of design has been the topic of lively discussion between faculty and students, apparent from all their publications. In spite of that, critics and opponents of the movement. here and abroad, have often emphasized the bare, rational, or functional aspect only, disregarding the more important emotional background of modern architectural design. Any new attempts to further clarify its inherent philosophy should be welcomed therefore.

But for heaven's sake, let's abolish the misleading designation, "International Style." It is true that the achievements of science and technique employed in modern architecture are international in character, but the tendency of the architectural spirit is to derive expression from regional conditions, from indigenous elements. Slowly but surely we shall depart from what I like to call "The International Style," those classical colonnades borrowed from the Greeks which adorn the town halls, bank buildings, museums, and ministries of the world from Moscow to Washington.

WALTER GROPIUS Cambridge, Mass.

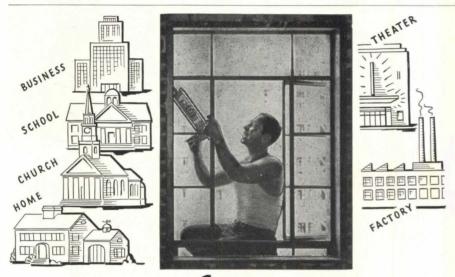
Dear Editor: I can only repeat what I said in 1939, it still applies—too much of our present-day design is "a passing fashion." It became eclectic, intolerant, ossified, especially in the hands of large commercial fellow travelers.

I wish that "modern" would mean to the public and architects a serious return to fundamental principles of good design of all times. A safe approach to good design is the elimination process leading to the simplest, most direct, and most economical solution of the problem.

> ANTONIN RAYMOND New York, N. Y.

Dear Editor: I thought the Kirchman statement extremely interesting because it puts so clearly those qualities which, to me, express the so-called international style, i.e., its "anti" determinations. I gather this movement is antigravity, anti-rational, anti-irrational, anti-functional, anti-scientific, atechnic, and so on to "geometric abstraction bleached white of sociocultural entity" and therefore, if it so continues, it will probably fail, philosophically, to be other than a ball balanced unnaturally on the nose of an intellectual performing seal. Its greatest failure, it seems to me, lies in its inability to develop common, vulgar, human reactions, those qualities so splendidly inherent in the two great Western creative periods-Hellenic and Gothic-and which have led in the past to several strong rebirths of the former. I do not despair, however, but that finally modern architecture will become adult and definitely "pro" human.

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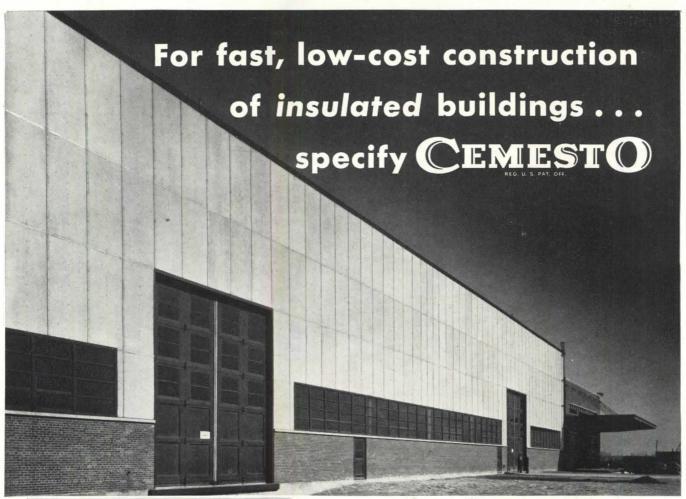
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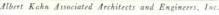


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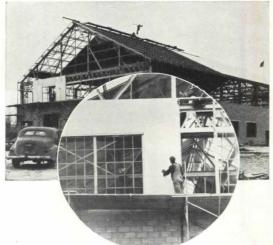
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THIS MONTH

We present this month a Critique of homes, the fourth in the series of critical studies instituted by Progressive ARCHITECTURE last year. A Philadelphia architect, Robert Montgomery Brown, designed the house in Wellesley, Massachusetts, which is first of the five houses in the Critique. Although he tells us he was a "backward child," Brown "somehow got through" Hotchkiss in 1926, Princeton in 1930, majoring in architecture, and New York University in 1933 for a B. Arch. in Construction. He started practice in Philadelphia in 1936, working in association with George Howe and Douglas Braik. During the years until 1942, when he joined the Navy, he claims never to have designed a "traditional" house or other building, and maintains he wouldn't know how to start. In February 1946 he returned to civilian life, although he says he has been wondering ever since why he wanted to get out!

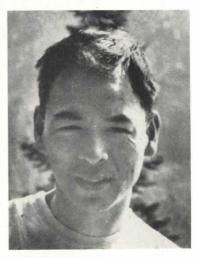
The team of Campbell & Wong, designers of the Quonset cabin at Fallen

Leaf Lake, California, was formed while both were working for another firm. Worley K. Wong is a graduate of the School of Architecture at the University of California, while John Carden Campbell received his training principally at the Rudolph Schaeffer School of Design. The designers, who have their office in San Francisco, include interior design and color consultation as a part of services rendered; and believe that the establishment of their own firm has enabled them to do the work they really want to do.

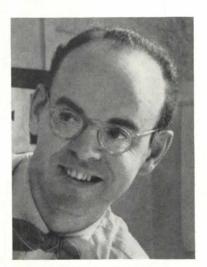
The house in Greensboro, North Carolina, the third house in the Critique, is a product of the 1938-1942 period when Jack P. Coble, architect, maintained his own office in the same city. A graduate of Cornell's College of Architecture in 1934, he spent the next two years "in the usual depression occupation," working for the Department of the Interior Park Service in South Carolina. 1936-1938 found the architect in New York, working mostly in the offices of Walker & Gillette and Fordyce & Hamby. Army service fol-



ROBERT MONTGOMERY BROWN



WORLEY K. WONG



JOHN CARDEN CAMPBELL

lowed the years of independent practice in Greensboro, and he is at present affiliated with Raymond Loewy Associates of New York.

The work of another San Francisco architect, Clarence W. W. Mayhew, is

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NEXT MONTH

- The second full presentation of a winner of one of the Annual Pro-GRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE Awards for 1946 will be the lead feature of the October issue. It is the highway showroom-restaurant for A. G. Dewey Co., woolen goods manufacturers, at Quechee, Vermont, designed by E. H. and M. K. Hunter, architects, of Hanover, New Hampshire. Jurors conferring the Awards agreed that this example of the work of the youthful husband-and-wife team has a number of commendable points-which our fuller presentation will define.
- The "case history" of an architect who has successfully identified his practice with the needs of his community will be reviewed in the same issue. Sheldon Brumbaugh, convinced that an architect's devotion to his town would be repaid with ample work and commissions, chose Klamath Falls, Oregon, and has attempted to "do a complete job of architecture: community planning, all types of industrial, commercial, and institutional buildings, and of course houses." The first concern of Brumbaugh and his associates is to render an over-all service to the region in which they practice.
- The offices architects design for themselves offer an informal index to the range of their interests and professional inclinations. The editors have brought together for our readers photographs and plans of the "workshops" of architects E. Gunnar Peterson, Falmouth, Massachusetts; Donald Dwight Williams, Seattle, Washington; Parkinson, Powelson, Briney, Bernard & Woodford, Los Angeles, California; and Ralph C. Flewelling & Associates, of the same city.
- A clue to Harold Burris-Meyer's approach to the problem of theater acoustics may be found in the title of the article, "The Audience Hears," prepared for our technical section by this professor of physics at Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, New Jersey. Also offered next month will be the concluding divisions of the Plant List started in this issue by James C. Rose, landscape architect, of New York, N. Y.

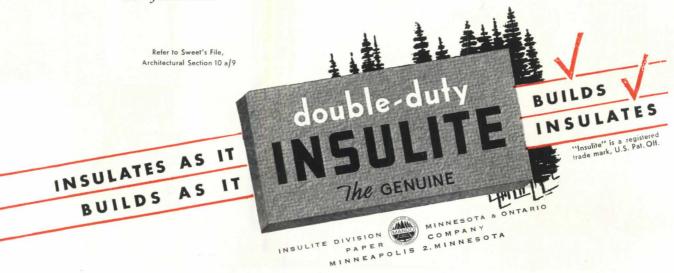


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represented in this month's Critique by the house on San Francisco Bay in Marin County. Mayhew studied at the Universities of Colorado, Illinois, and California, and then worked for three years with the firm of Miller & Pfleuger in San Francisco. In 1932 he opened his own office in Oakland, and then in 1938 moved across the bay to San Francisco, where he has been practicing ever since except for the war years.

Completing the study of private residences is the house in Princeton, New

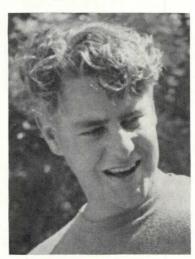
Jersey, designed by Kenneth Kassler, architect, of that city. Biographical notes on the architect were published in September 1946 Progressive Archi-

From Oslo, Norway, comes the recently completed Radiohus, the new home of the Norwegian State Broadcasting Corporation, shown in this issue. The design by Nils Holter, architect, was chosen as the result of a competition held in 1935.

The Materials and Methods section this month offers interesting data on "Modular Gardens" by James C. Rose, land-scape architect, of New York. After studying at Cornell and the Harvard Graduate School of Design, Rose went



JACK P. COBLE



CLARENCE W. W. MAYHEW



JAMES C. ROSE

out to the West Coast to start his practice. With the advent of war he returned to New York, where he worked on site plans for Camps Kilmer, Upton, Dix, and Shanks in the metropolitan area, as chief site planner in the office of Antonin Raymond. He was then in the Navy with construction troops in the Pacific. On his return to New York, he opened his own office for the general practice of landscape design.



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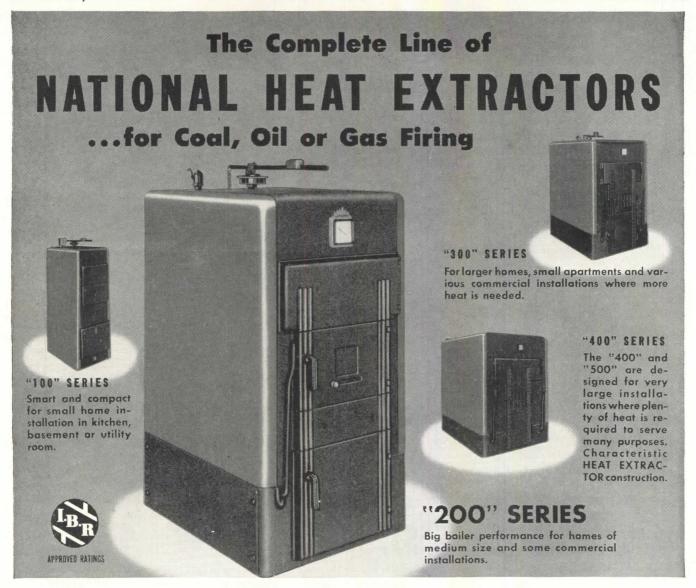
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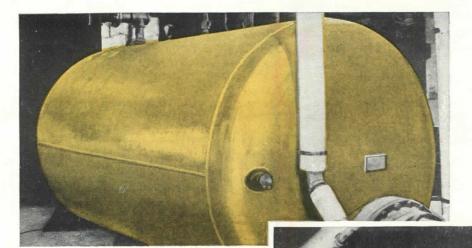
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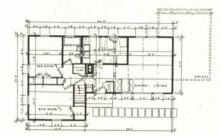
THE MODULAR SAVINGS PLAN

The would-be home buyers of America are about to be subjected to another high-pressure campaign - one loaded with ideas about cheaper ways to build. In the next few months, if Producers' Council and National Retail Lumber Dealers Association have their way. most of us will become thoroughly familiar with The Industry Engineered House.

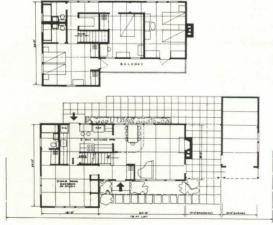
Essentially, the "engineering" consists of determined application of the principles of modular design to house building. This part of the program promises to improve common building practice. Some possibilities beyond the design stage also are indicated. Certain sound changes in construction methods; the incorporation of as many standard units as possible (wood joists, masonry elements, sheet surfacing materials, etc.) in sizes now being produced by manufacturers; pre-cutting of other items (studs at one length for numbers



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Type No. 2B (with basement)



Type No. 5 (3 or 4 bedrooms, 3 baths)

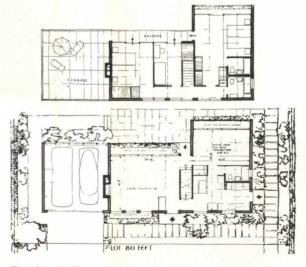
of these houses) at local distribution points, are a few points of this program. Supply procedure, as well as construction, could thus be simplified as the local retail lumber dealer would be encouraged to order exact quantities of materials, to stock standard parts continuously, possibly to assemble all the supply items himself and deliver them as a standard package.

Two years ago, the Technical Committee of Producers' Council undertook to demonstrate the basic principles of modular coordination through application to actual home building. Chapman & Evans, New York architects with considerable experience in dealing with operative builders, were commissioned to produce some "typical" schematic plans. Then, A. Gordon Lorimer, A.I.A., former Chief Architect of Department of Public Works, New York City, and now a private consultant to Producers' Council, went to work on the full application of modular principles to designs compassing all the elements thought essential for the average small house. He is known as an ardent protagonist of the module, but it is easy to imagine the difficulties that he encountered in retailoring, say, a 12'-8" living room to utilize the four-foot planning module that accommodates the four-inch structural module advocated by A.S.A.'s A-62 Modular Coordination program. Then he faced the necessity of winning approval of the program from the interested committees and the Producers' Council members, many of them with ordinarily divergent interests. Agreement was finally reached, under the forceful leadership of Tyler S. Rogers, president of the Council; although on close analysis one can detect in the results some signs of having been watered down! The lumber dealers were called on to work out the distribution problems.

The houses themselves, of six basic types having one to four bedrooms and one to three baths, have pretty good circulation, employ such recognized economies as efficient plumbing layouts, and introduce various structural devices to permit maximum use of the module. Their wood frame details, being modular, are readily adapted to masonry construction. No claim is made that any of these are new developments; they are noteworthy instead for adherence to the tried-and-true methods and materials.1 One scheme has a modern look, but some sacrifices to the usual concept of "public taste" are apparent. The plans are a considerable advance over the usual builder job. They utilize a basic unit of 16'x24' (or 28') singly and in several combinations. Standard 2"x10" joists cut exactly 16' are used.

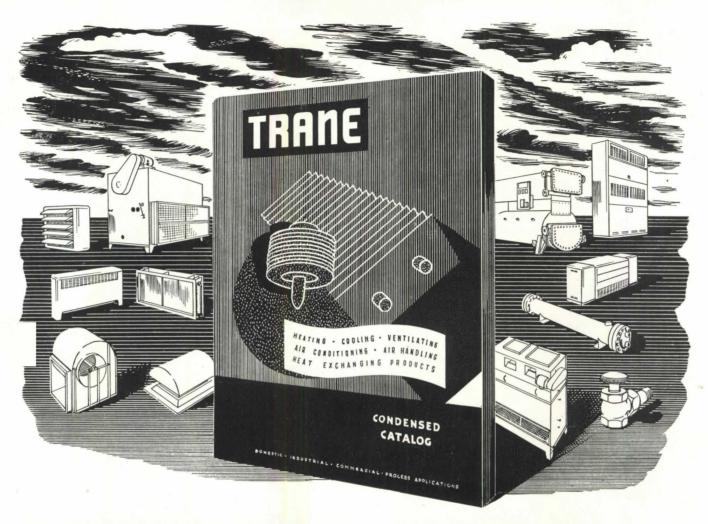
Examples of unfamiliar structural details are the floor and roof framing. Roofs are supported on wood trusses, 2' on centers, assembled from pre-cut members: 2"x6" rafters and 2"x4" ceiling ties supported at center of the span by a drop hanger to eliminate deflection. In usual floor construction employing 16foot joists and 2"x10" headers at the sill, a clear span of exactly 16 feet inside would not be left to accommodate the standard four-foot panels of interior wall and ceiling surfacing materials. In order to make the dimensions "come out even," Lorimer has added short headers or blocks so that the joists need not extend under the studs, thus insuring the desired 16-foot clear span. This device

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Type No. 5B (3 or 4 bedrooms, 3 baths)

^{1 &}quot;We describe these houses as 'small homes of 1 "We describe these houses as 'small homes of quality materials—planned for adequate living and designed for minimum cost.' They are not intended to be the smallest or cheapest houses that could be built, because few people would want such houses.' L. C. Hart, Co-chairman of Manufacturer-Dealer Coordinating Committee, presenting The Industry Engineered House to editors convened June 5, 1947, in Washington, D. C



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is described as "a possible organized use of scrap" so we infer that there will be scrap even in modular construction! There are other such adaptations, but these serve to explain the approach.

The hundreds of hours of hard work that went into planning and "engineering" these houses received a substantial reward in June when the Office of Technical Services, U. S. Department of Commerce, approved a contract with University of Illinois Small Homes Council and a \$45,000 grant for the construction of six Industry Engineered

Houses in succession. The purpose is intensive investigation of ways to reduce cost of house construction, each finding to be checked by time and motion experiments during construction of the succeeding houses.

While all these factors-pre-cutting, standard sizing, packaging to permit economies in job organization, better construction techniques - have been practiced by many of the large building concerns, the research, purchasing, and distribution involved have been too much for the average small builder. He couldn't afford the first or do much about the others. This program will make the experience and study of the sponsors available to those men responsible for a great percentage of the nation's houses, and might be expected to lift the quality of the average house, per building dollar spent.

This constitutes a pretty persuasive argument but there are one or two holes which must be mentioned. First, The Industry Engineered House is not, and is not intended to be, a house for the man of minimum income. Thus it doesn't prove that Government should leave to private industry the problem of housing those who can pay least.2 Second, despite the Council's laudable intention 3 of merely dramatizing the advantages of modular coordination in home construction, it has set itself up in the stock plan business because dealers and small builders will have to be furnished "the blueprints" promptly or the whole program will fall flat. Too much money and effort have been spent to permit that

² L. C. Hart, Co-chairman of Manufacturer-Dealer Coordinating Committee told assembled editors the Council's views on planning for minimum cost but went right on to say, "With this project we have exploded the idea that the private building industry cannot be depended upon to solve its problems and that Government must do the job." (See also footnote ¹).

3 "The Producers' Council is interested in Industry Engineered Housing solely as a means of illustrating the economies which can be made in home building. It definitely is not interested in developing new house plans nor in promoting the sale of any particular type or design of home." A. Gordon Lorimer, A.I.A., in foreword to "The Industry Engineered Housing Program," copyrighted and distributed by Producers' Council and N.R.L.D.A., 1947.

V. A. PROGRAM UNSNARLED

Since our report here last month on the Veterans Administration hospital program, the difficulties we described have been fairly well straightened out. The Army engineers, once V.A. has approved preliminary designs, are to have complete charge of administration of the program. Some hospitals, for which at least the foundation contracts have been let, will go ahead as planned. Other plans will be revised to reduce costs (additional architect-engineer fees for this work will have to be negotiated) while V.A. will take over design of some of the previously unassigned jobs.

The problem of architect-Government relationships will arise again in other instances, however, and we were reassured that there was an alert, intelligent, and cooperative response of the profession when this particular program threatened to flounder.

Incidentally, criticism of the V.A. design staff last month in our Progress Report was our own; officers of the Corps of Engineers had merely emphasized the need to get an important job done as efficiently as possible—in the shortest

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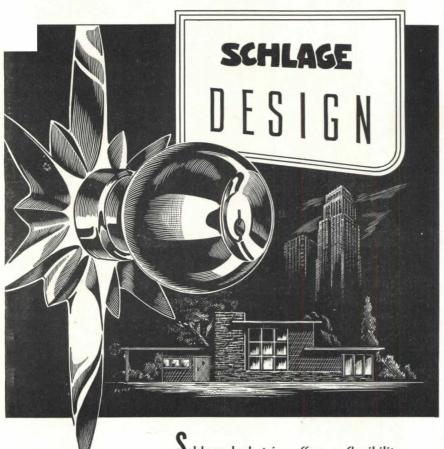
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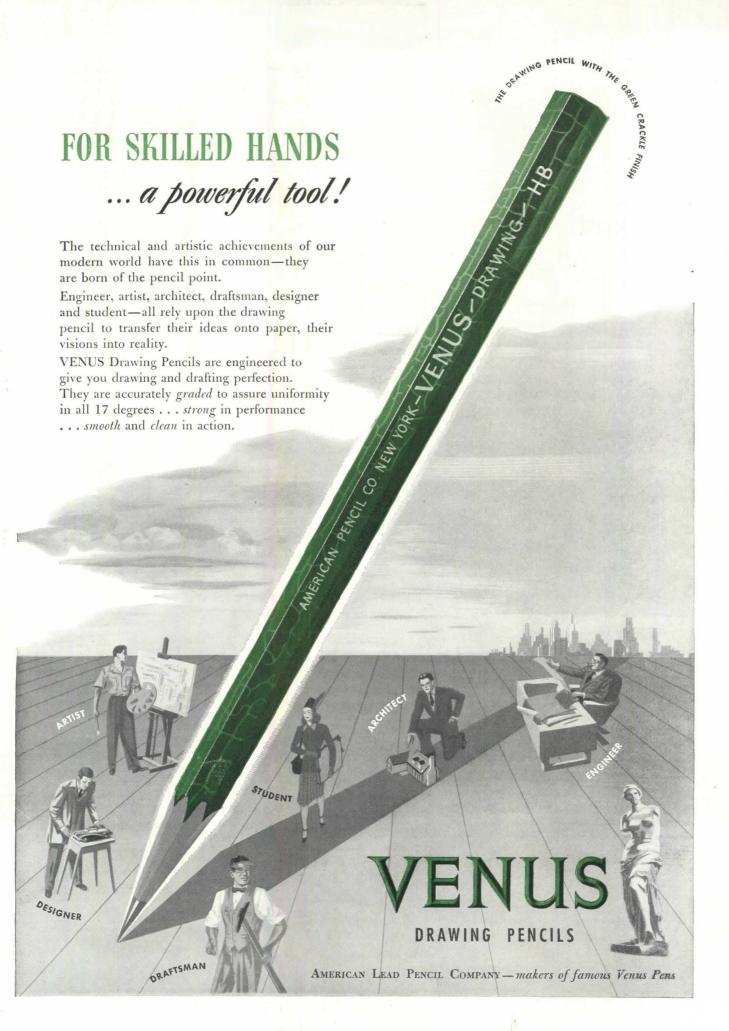
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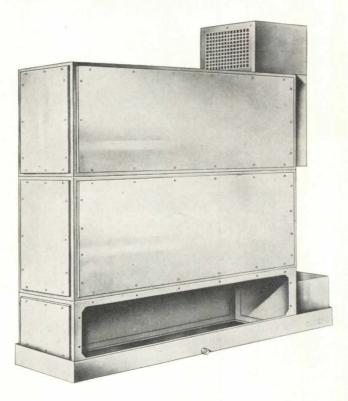


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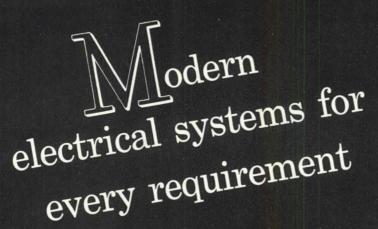
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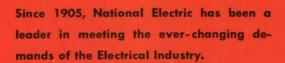
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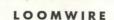
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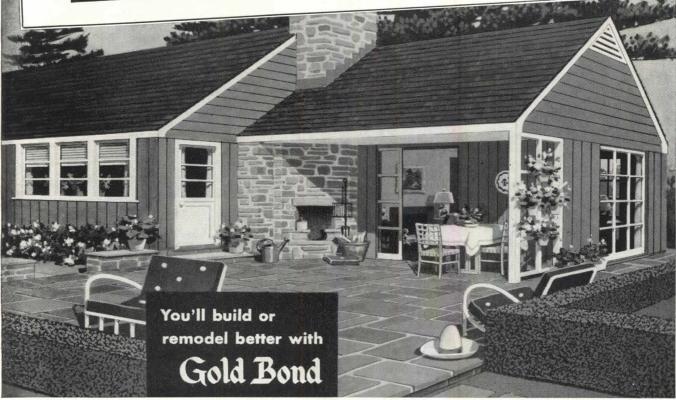


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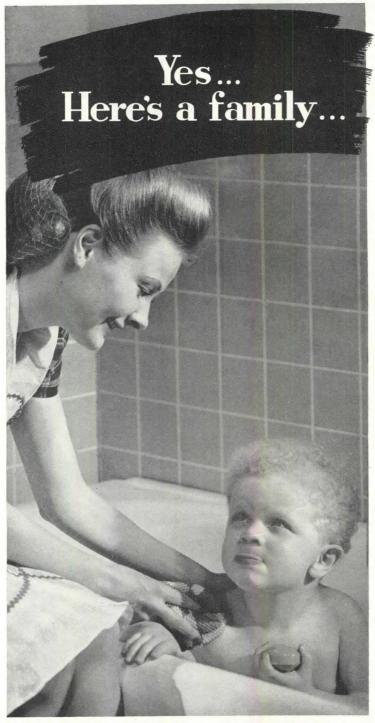












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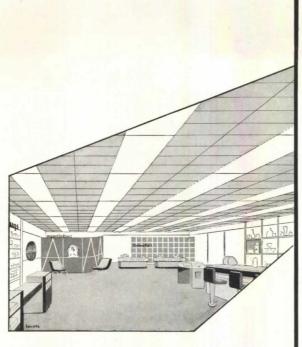
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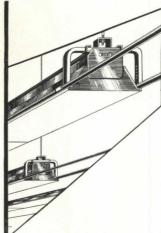
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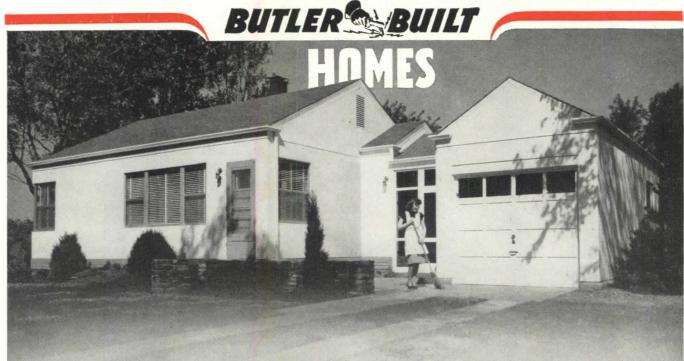
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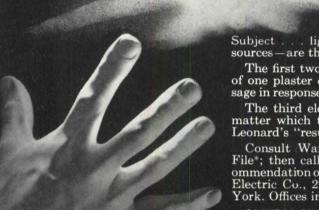
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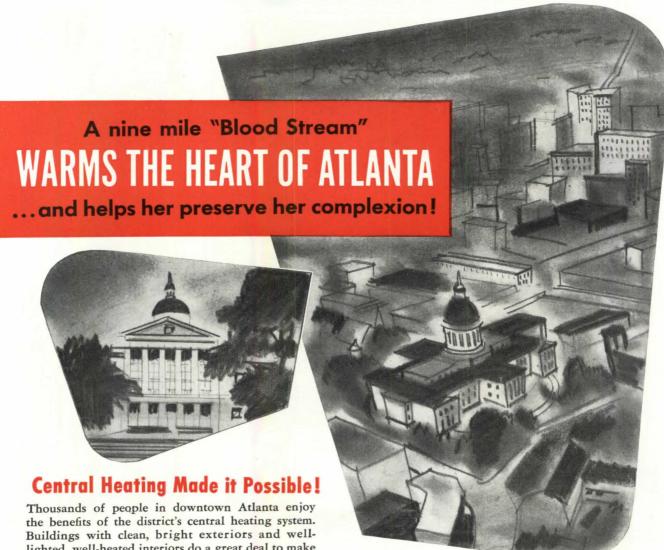
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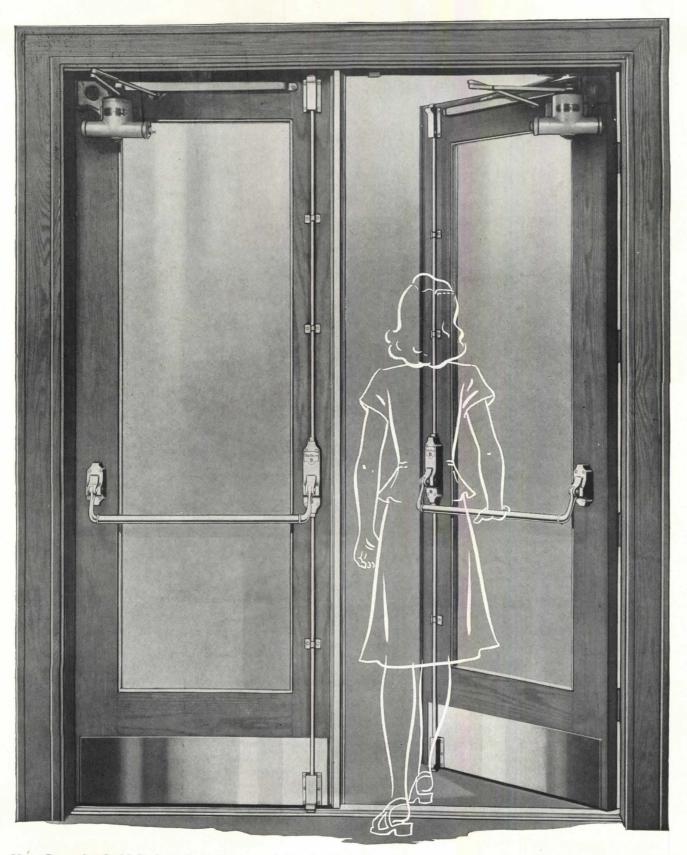
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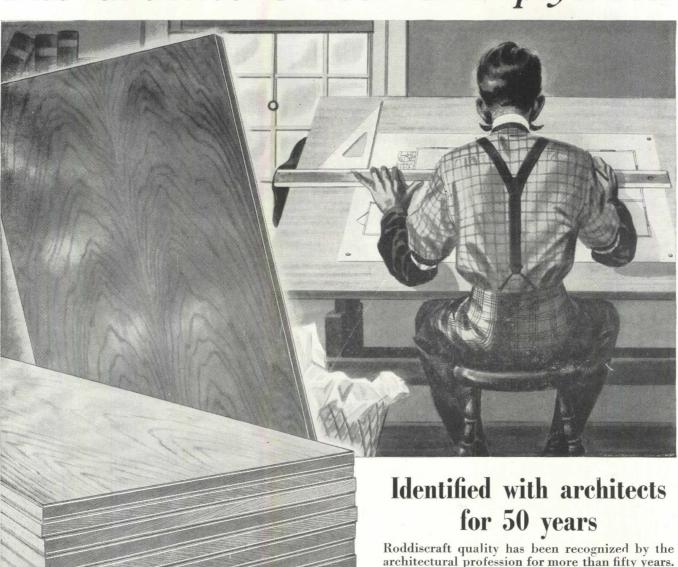


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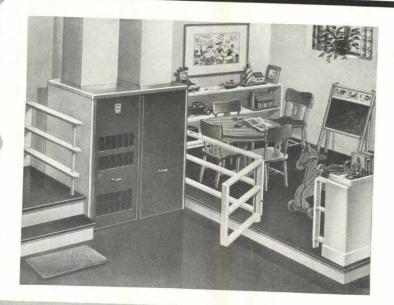
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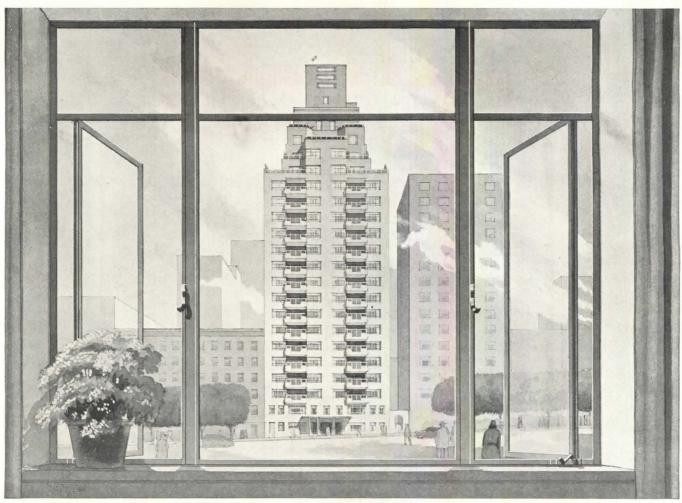
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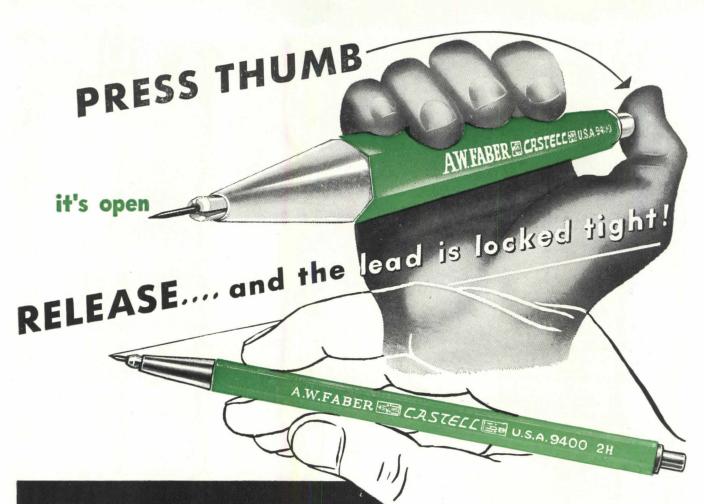
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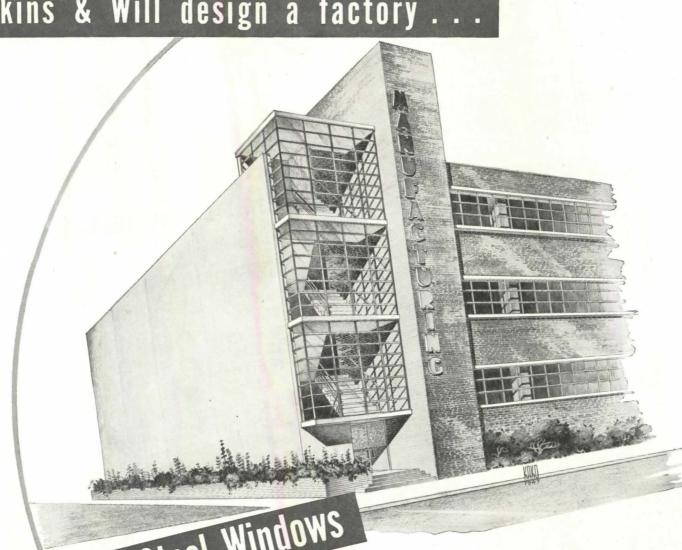
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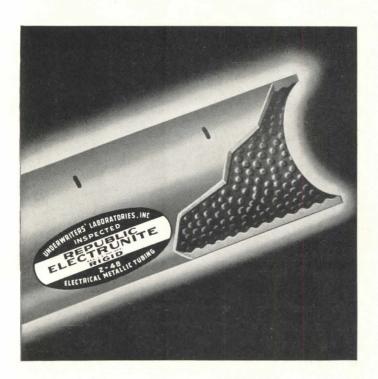
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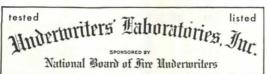
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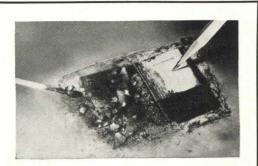
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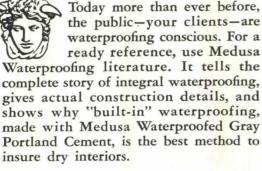
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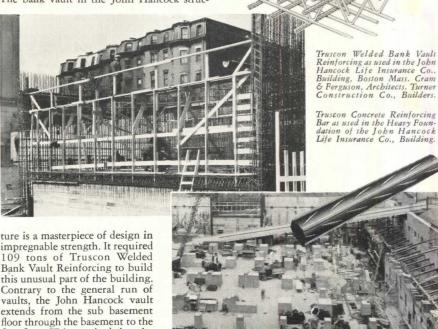
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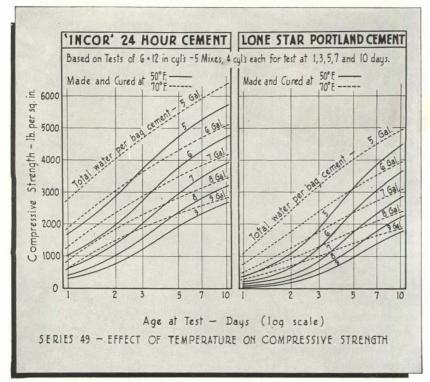
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In this study of residential architecture, the fourth in our series of Critiques of particular building types, the editors themselves served as the jury to select the work for presentation, to study the drawings and photographs, question whatever was uncertain, and challenge whatever seemed a compromise. In addition to sending these proddings to the designers for their rebuttal, we also turned for information and comment to the highest court of all—the owners themselves. We asked them how the houses worked out as homes, what they particularly liked, and what they might prefer otherwise—their livability, in short. Thus, the discussion with each house is a brew of several ingredients the architect's initial description, the editors' observations, the architect's rebuttal, and the owners' opinion. Below, we state in simple terms our basis for judging design progress in the residential category. These standards, incidentally, are the same ones we used in choosing the houses for the book, "HOMES-Selected By The Editors of Progressive Architecture," soon to be off the press. The five houses that constitute this Critique are among the nearly 100 that appear in the book.

A CRITIQUE OF 5 HOMES

CRITERIA FOR JUDGING

PROGRESSIVE RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE

Houses do not lend themselves readily to generalizations against which to measure the success of the design. For in the house, the architecture is provided for a very small unit-the individual family-and, as is well known, people are funny. Once this factor is accepted as the Wild Jack that it is, however, there are certain basic criteria which may he established

BASIS FOR JUDGING THE PLAN

The plan should provide appropriate spaces for the necessities and pleasures of the family, with these spaces well interrelated and oriented for their several purposes. Whether the plan is "open" or the separate functions are thoroughly partitioned, the degree to which privacy is provided, whether the plan scheme is formal or informal—all these are matters of the particular family's preferences. They are good if the family wants them; bad if they are unwanted or inappropriate to the family's way of living.

MATERIALS AND STRUCTURAL METHODS

The materials should be appropriate to the purpose and economically employed. It doesn't matter whether they are newly developed products or time-honored; all of them constitute the raw materials with which the designer has to work. But we look for the logical, direct use of whatever materials are selected; we shall be critical where they are either falsely or extravagantly employed, and-since we are charting the course of architectural progress—we shall be on the watch for the intelligent use of newer materials that do a job better than could be done with older ones. So, with structural concepts. They must analyze well and be suitable to the use made of them and the place where they occur.

So far as possible, inasmuch as we accept simplicity and unity as valid basic criteria for judging the design of anything, we

look for the integration of structure, materials, and equipment with plan, rather than any one of these pasted or otherwise applied to the others.

FINISHED DESIGN

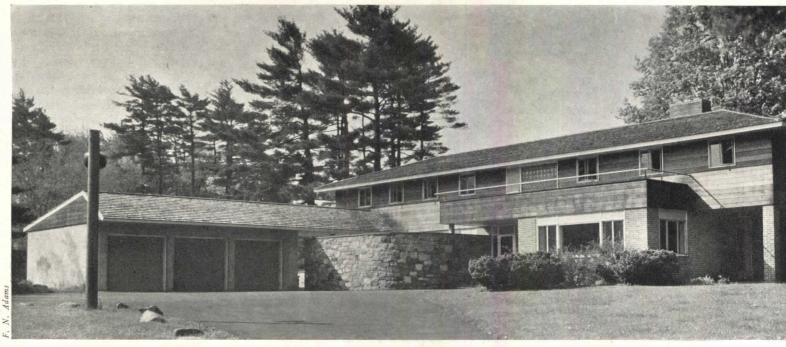
We don't care a hoot whether the final design employs a onepitch roof, a two-pitch roof, or one that's flat as your hat, so long as it performs its shelter duties well and is an appropriate part of a coordinated design. Window walls or small, separated windows? Either, if they provide good light and the degree of relation to the out-of-doors that the family wants, and if they are elements of a consistent design.

On the esthetic side, the criteria that have always been valid still apply-good scale, good proportions, pleasing relationships, a satisfying sense of materials, contrast and color, and a final design unity. Fortunately, in our constant search for total advance, we are finding more and more work that checks not only on these esthetic bases, but that is also clearly progressive in plan, in use of materials, in structural imaginativeness, integration of all these, and general amenity.

THE FAMILY'S PERSONAL NEEDS

We leave to the last perhaps the major criterion of all in assaying successful, progressive design—the satisfying of the personal needs of the family for whom the house is

We assume that a house that is easier to housekeep and maintain, informal in plan (if this makes the plan work better), and simple and unpretentious in design, is a proper home for persons well adjusted to today's living. We scorn both monuments and those who build themselves monuments to impress others. We look for indications of individual livability rather than conventionality or impressiveness. This seems also the democratic approach wherein citizens are part of something more than their own small worlds, where they have nothing to hide or fear, and where the concept of an integrated one world quite literally can begin at home.

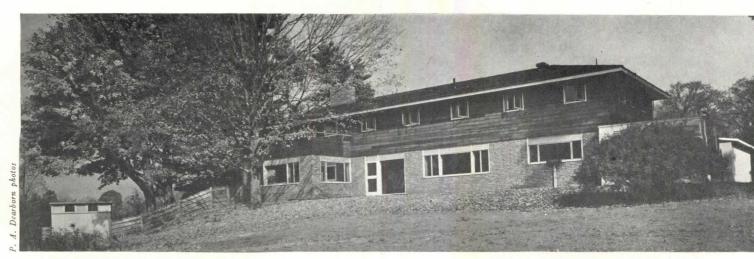


DRIVE APPROACH. Poured concrete basement; furred brick for the first floor; all frame above. Sash: steel. Roofing: cedar shakes.

HOUSE IN WELLESLEY, MASSACHUSETTS

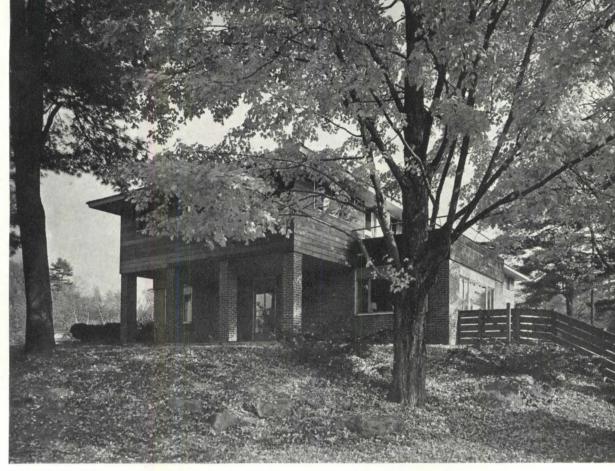
ROBERT MONTGOMERY BROWN, Architect

CRITIQUE: Main points admired: Unpretentious design approach to the large house; its adaptation to and orientation on a wonderful island site; forthright provision for the needs of a family with five children; excellent circulation throughout. Main points questioned: Use of the northeast deck upstairs; the stone wall enclosure of the service yard; whether the big basement space is all useful; and the almost institutional standardization of the children's rooms.



REAR. The redwood clapboards are oiled; trim is white, with soffits of overhangs painted pale blue.



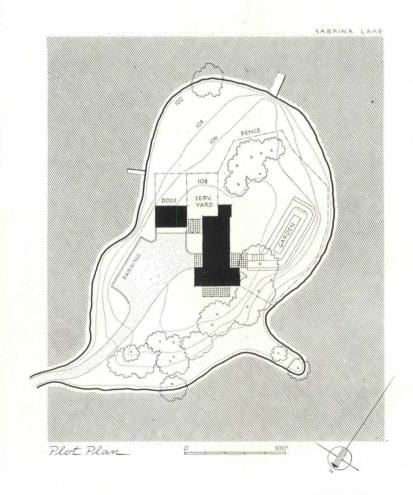


VIEW FROM WEST. The big porch is equally accessible from both adult and children's living rooms.

The design problem involved in this remarkable home of Mr. and Mrs. William Guernsey and their family was, according to the architect, "unusually simple, since they had no design 'fixations.' " Also, since Mrs. Guernsey is the architect's sister, he was well acquainted with the family's living habits and needs.

We had asked about the use of the upstairs deck on the driveway side of the house. The answer: "Its primary purpose is to keep rain out of the children's room beneath and to provide shelter at the front door. It is also a pleasant place to take a morning sun bath or sit in the shade in one's underwear in the afternoon. I have always liked bedroom-level decks for early morning 'weather feeling."

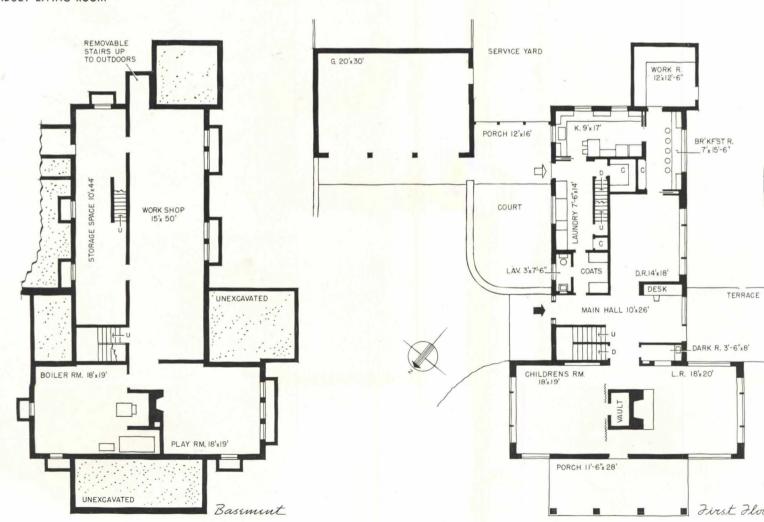
"What about the high masonry wall enclosing the service yard?" we queried. Someone thought it seemed a little heavy and questioned the use of stone, since this material is not used elsewhere. Direct questions received direct answers: "I feel it tends to reduce the apparent height of the house and render it lighter in effect . . . The stone has a much more pleasing color range than the photo indicates . . . It is an effective separation of service sights and sounds from the main approach . . . We all like it very much."





PLANS. The rows of standard bedrooms, the divided main living room, the break-fast room with stools at a counter, the all-wood wall finishes throughout (to be nicked and bruised during growing-up period, later to be sanded and maybe painted) are all answers to the basic requirements.

ADULT LIVING ROOM



HOUSE IN WELLESLEY, MASSACHUSETTS

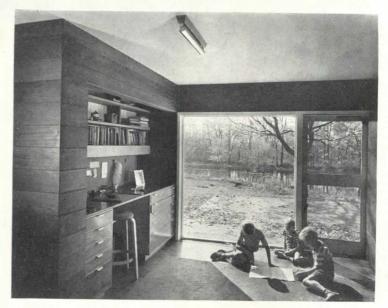
ROBERT MONTGOMERY BROWN Architect

The only definite plan requirements were: separate bedrooms for three existing and two proposed children; separate living rooms for the children; and low maintenance.

As to the big basement space, the architect stilled our questioning: "It will all be used just as shown on plan . . . Incidentally, I am a great believer in basements. The space always ends up being used for something, and in ordinary soil conditions it is the cheapest space in the building and requires virtually no maintenance."

The standardization of the children's rooms was "a basic idea before any planning was done." The idea is somewhere between simple efficiency and enlightened military discipline: "It eliminates a whole raft of frictions over who has the best room, etc., etc."





FRONT HALL. "Nerve Center" (keys, gloves, bills, etc.) at left.



DINING ROOM. All furniture except chairs designed by the architect.



CHILDREN'S LIVING ROOM. Note plain redwood finishes in all rooms.



NORTH. The house is of frame, built on a concrete slab; exterior finish is gray-stained cypress with white trim.

HOUSE IN GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

CRITIQUE: Main points admired: General plan organization; entrance hall serving all areas of house independently; undercover passage from storage room and garage to kitchen door; the apart, upstairs study-bedroom (the owner is a college professor); flexibility of children's bedrooms, with sliding partition between. Main points questioned: Orientation (service rooms, bedrooms facing west); change in level on ground floor; distance involved in party serving from kitchen to living room; guest bedroom above kitchen and opening into two bathrooms.

WEST. Covered passage to kitchen door at right.





FIREPLACE. "We like the arrangement extremely," says Mrs. Friedlaender.

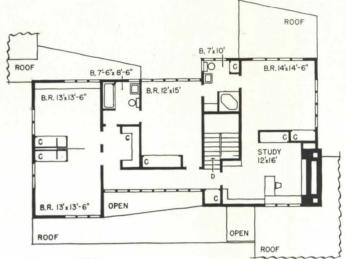
JACK P. COBLE, Architect

This is the home of Prof. Marc Friedlaender, his musician wife, and their two small boys.

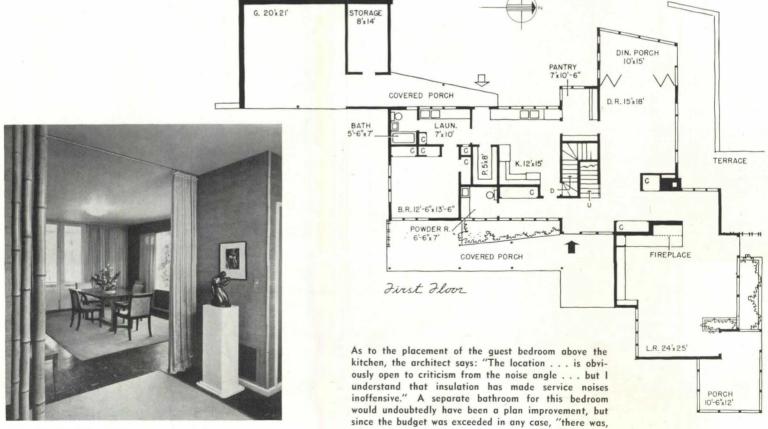
In discussing the main questioned points with both the architect and the owners, it appears that all were agreed about the placement of the house on the site; there is a delightful view of a lake to the north; hence the living room with its porch on this side. The western exposure of kitchen and bedrooms does, Mrs. Friedlaender reports, submit them to late afternoon sun and glare, but Mr. Coble points out that the prevailing breeze is from the west, and, because the house is in the woods, the western sunlight is considerably filtered. The separate levels for dining and living rooms accomplishes seclusion for the latter which is desirable for the privacy of musicales, but the stairs do make it a bit risky toting food for living room entertaining.



DRIVEWAY ENTRANCE



Second Floor

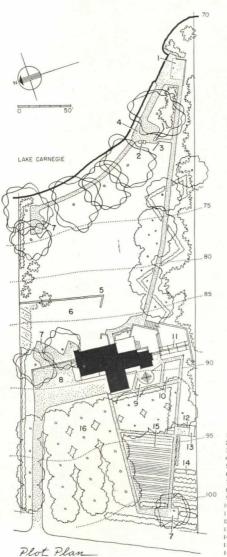


of course, a stopping point."

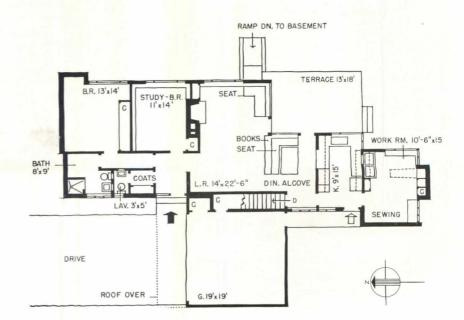
HALL TO DINING: Walls, green grasscloth.



APPROACH. In his landscape plan, Mr. Kiley has provided a cool orchard through which the drive will pass.



CRITIQUE: Main points admired: The floor plan as a whole; the sensible placement of main entrance alongside garage entrance; the good separation between sleeping and living quarters, but both directly accessible from the hall; the cross light and ventilation gained by the clerestory band. Main points questioned: The rather large space at the west end of the living room, well placed for its corridor use, but a bit difficult to use otherwise; what struck some as a rather arbitrary use of wall materials, such as the projecting masonry at the northeast corner and on the west end; a certain barren appearance, which was recognized as chiefly due to the fact that the house was photographed before the landscaping was in place (a point amply supported by the landscape plan indicated at left).



BARBEQUE SCREENS PIGNIC AREA RETAINING WALL

GAME LAWN

SITTING AREA
PARKING
HERB GARDEN
CUT FLOWERS
PERGOLA
GARDEN TOOLS

¹³ COMPOST 14 SMALL FRUIT 15 VEGETABLES 16 ORCHARD



SOUTH. The corner porch, accessible from both living and dining spaces, may be screened for summer use.

HOUSE IN PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

KENNETH KASSLER, ARCHITECT

The Walker Bleakneys have lived in a number of homes in the past 15 years and when they came to build this one, on a site above Lake Carnegie, they report, "We felt pretty confident of what we really wanted. Living in this house has confirmed those ideas." Their particular pleasures are having all the main living quarters on one level and the arrangement of the kitchen-dining-workroom.

The western utility-hobby room takes care not only of the laundry, but their chief hobbies-sewing, plant care, writing, and radio work. They also like the many windows provided to welcome the lake view, while the house offers privacy toward the west. Taking advantage of the site slope, the architect has included a basement playroom, with outside door, to serve swimming or skating parties directly.

Regarding the use of materials—combined cinder block and standard frame—in which the editors felt a certain degree of arbitrariness, Mr. Kassler grants that this may be so, considered from the structural standpoint, but in this case, the use was based "entirely on a design consideration."

DANIEL URBAN KILEY, Landscape Planner



SOUTHEAST. Eventually, terraces at this corner will receive you, turn you around, and start you down again.

HOUSE IN PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY



LOOKING IN from the corner terrace.



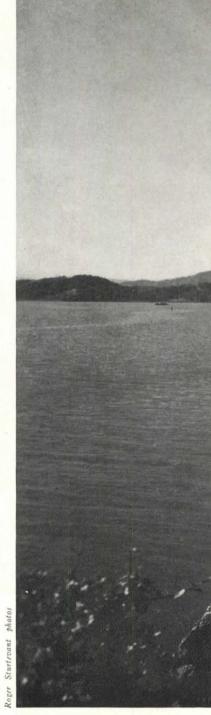
DINING SPACE, across counter to living room.



KITCHEN

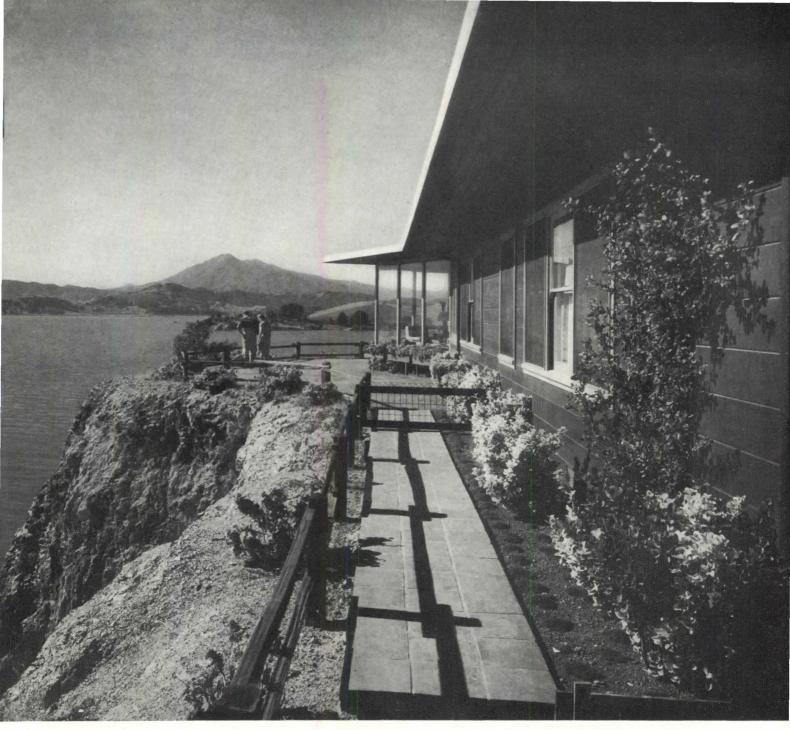
KENNETH KASSLER, Architect

Inside, the house is openly planned, as the owners do most of their own housework and there are no children. Easily maintained, waxed fir boards and battens constitute the wall surfaces throughout. Concerning the rather sizable area at the west end of the living room which serves as a corridor, Mr. Kassler says: "The space is also used for a chair group and incidental furniture. It is not the best possible solution."



THE HOUSE, perched on a shale cliff

HOUSE



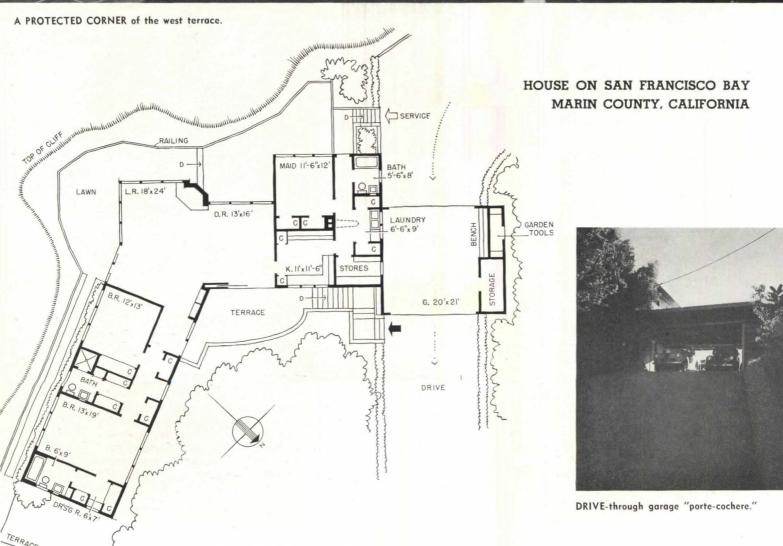
60 feet above the water, overlooks a vast east-to-west panorama of the Bay.

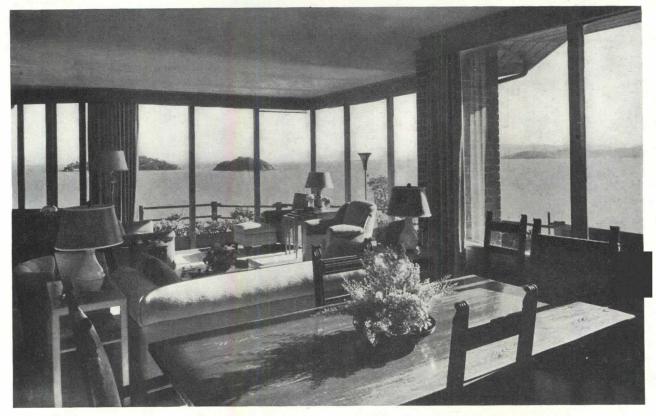
ON SAN FRANCISCO BAY, MARIN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

CLARENCE W. W. MAYHEW Architect

CRITIQUE: Main points admired: Extraordinary adaptation in plan and design to an extraordinarily scenic site; making a veritable show window of the house at the corner where the widespread view is at its most dramatic; in plan (see next page): ingenious use of a drive-through garage spanning the entrance driveway; good separation of main functions, so that bedrooms and main living rooms may be entered independently from the entry hall. Main points questioned: Apparent difficulty of access to the sitting terraces and outdoor viewing lawns; the problem of what happens when guests arrive and find both doors of the garage "porte-cochere" shut; the extremely odd shape of the combined livingdining room.







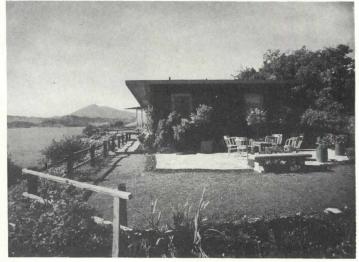
DINING-LIVING ROOM. Toward the view—and the winds—everything is sealed tight.

CLARENCE W. W. MAYHEW Architect

Access to the terraces is indeed roundabout; but it is nobody's mistake that there are no sliding or hinged doors out from the big glass areas toward the Bay. And neither Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shingle who own the house or Mr. Mayhew would change this. For it is the architect's experience that for any site facing the frequently terrific winds off the Bay, there is simply no method of weatherproofing except to seal everything tight. Mrs. Shingle says: "We have experienced no inconvenience in going through the kitchen or around the house to reach the patio and lawn." As to what happens when guests find garage doors at both ends of the "portecochere" closed, it can be confusing, but Mr. Mayhew claims that "if you are a good driver, you can turn around!"

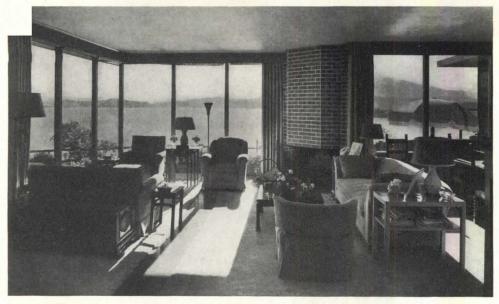


KITCHEN-DOOR SIDE. The glass screen windshields the terrace.



A TERRACE at the bedroom wing is usually out of the wind.

HOUSE ON SAN FRANCISCO BAY, MARIN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA



THE LIVING ROOM commands the view from the east-bay shoreline (left) to the islands to the south, and so on around to Marin County's Mount Tamalpais.

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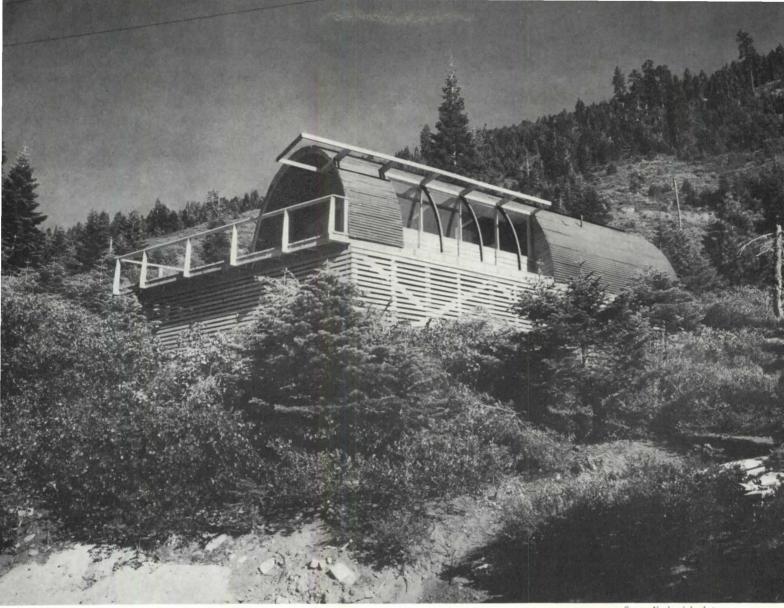
The odd shape of the living-dining room results directly from bending the house plan to fit the bluff-top site and to obtain the full arc of the marvelous view. The break back, at the fireplace corner, defines the dining space inside the house and provides a relatively sheltered corner for outdoor sitting, although the architect feels it might have been just as well to have continued the wall line without this setback, thus avoiding one complication of an already complicated shape.



EVEN WITH A DEEP ROOF OVERHANG, the problem of glare from the water is aggravating at times. A partial expedient is the use of woven reed roller blinds which, when lowered, soften the glare without making the room gloomy.



TOWARD THE NORTH, the house opens out to a cool wooded hillside, so that it is usually possible to choose between sun and shade, wind protection, or full exposure for outdoor sitting.



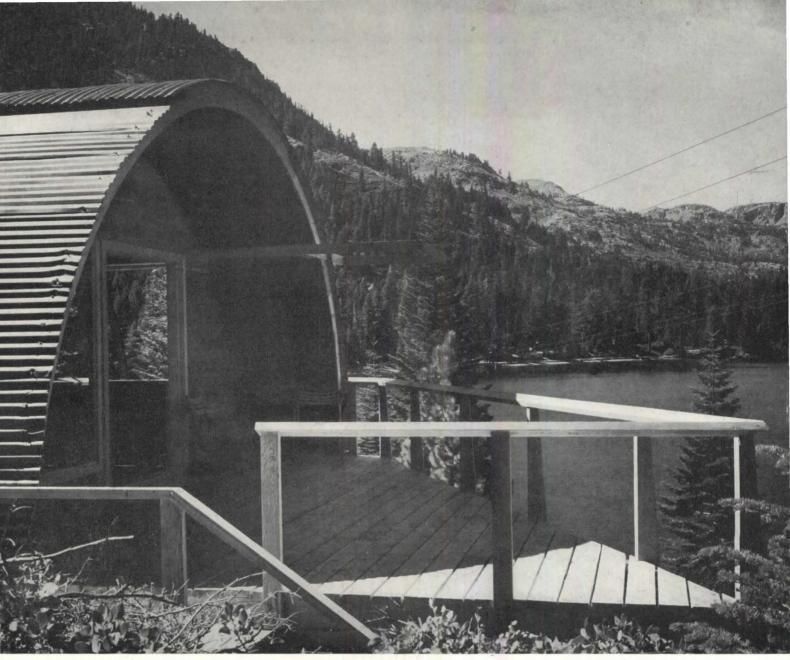
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OUONSET CABIN, FALLEN LEAF LAKE, CALIFORNIA

JOHN CARDEN CAMPBELL Designer

& WORLEY K. WONG Architect

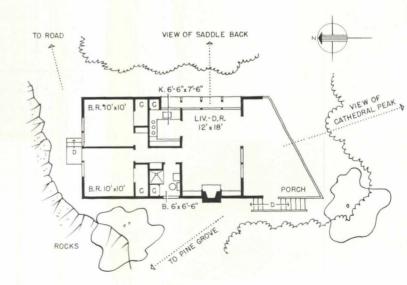
CRITIQUE: Main points admired: The imagination that found in the serviceable Quonset a new architectural potential (for more complete discussion, see article on p. 00); that, while enhancing the basic element in both plan and design, still respected the fundamental Quonset form rather than disguising it or attempting to make it look like something more conventional; the rationale of the Quonset itself which makes it almost impossible to point to something and say, "Here is a wall," and to something else and say, "Here is a roof"—a shelter, simply, and one that has stood the fire of the most severe tests in all sorts of climates; the straightforward and workable plan which the designers worked out within the defined space (see next page); ingenious details that capitalize on things inherent in the Quonset. Main points questioned: The fact that dropping the vertical wall within the curve necessarily cuts down on floor space, and the question whether this treatment is invariably to be preferred to allowing new construction to project out beyond the curve; the odd, almost pie-shaped porch; bringing the steps up to the porch way around at the back corner, which seems indirect and also partially cancels out this rear corner as a secluded sitting area.



COMING UP the stair to the porch, the visitor has the whole drama of the view burst upon him as he reaches the top of the steps.



THE QUONSET SHAPE has been likened to a giant fallen tree.



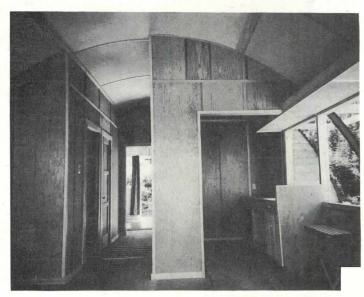
QUONSET CABIN FALLEN LEAF LAKE, CALIFORNIA

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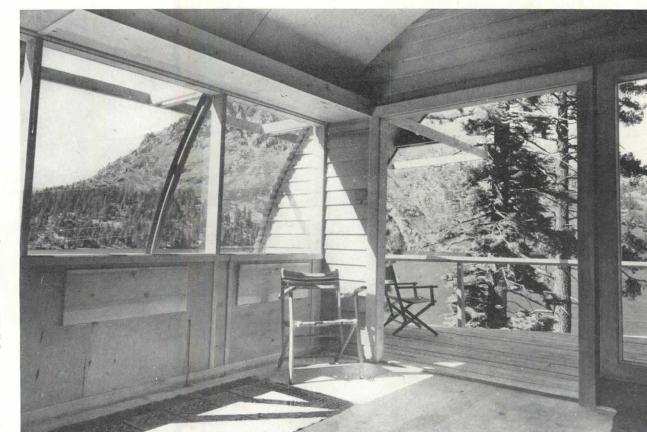
The designers feel very strongly about the undesirability of allowing anything like dormers with orthodox roofs, or other things unrelated in form or structure to project from and compete with the basic, continuous curved form of the Quonset. Hence the dropped vertical wall within the curve. As for the projecting trellis above these windows: "Cutting the curved Quonset form with a plane in the medium of an eave or trellis is a subordinate entity and does not overpower the structure as dormers do." If more space is needed within the house, "add another rib and keep within the simple medium." The oddshaped porch is explained by the fact that this angle parallels the access road beneath the house; had the porch been rectangular, it would have been both too near and too high off the road.



RECESSING the end wall produces a shadow-casting eave line.

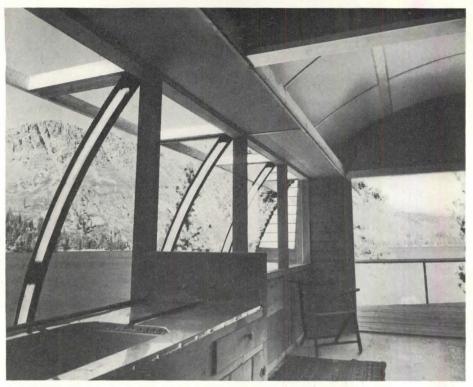


THREE WALLS of every room are vertical.



THE END WALL is mostly glass. Note the light trough above the windows that, in combination with the Quonset curve, forms an excellent lighting fixture. Above work counters, as in the kitchen, down light pierces the trough. The exterior ribs will eventually support vines.

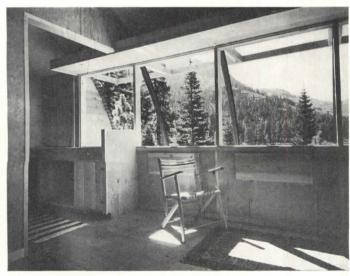
QUONSET CABIN, FALLEN LEAF LAKE, CALIFORNIA



INTERIOR WALLS are surfaced with plywood.

JOHN CARDEN CAMPBELL, Designer, & WORLEY K. WONG, Architect

How do the owners, Dr. and Mrs. Morris Felton of San Francisco, feel about the house? "At first," they tell us, "we were afraid that its strange form would not fit in with the surroundings . . . but we were very agreeably surprised that the cabin, painted green outside, with the wooden portions stained brown, fits in wonderfully—not only in our opinion, but also in that of our neighbors . . . It is just what we wanted for our vacation home."



KITCHEN at left. Ventilating louvers occur under the windows.

The owners mention "the feeling of enormous space" within the 10foot-high arch.



THE CURVES AND PLANES of the house provide an ever-changing series of frames for the splendid views of mountains and lake.



GENERAL VIEW: south wing, foreground.



ENTRANCE HALL: on left, inquiry counter.



MAIN STAIRCASE



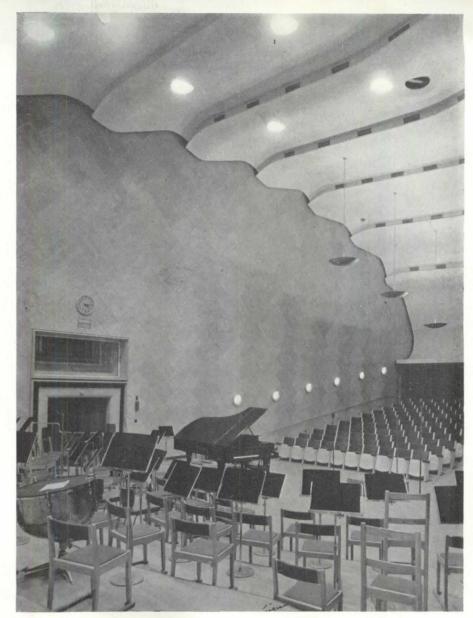
STUDIO CORRIDOR: wood-surfaced walls.



ARTISTS' LOUNGE: looking toward corridor.



ARTISTS' LOUNGE: studio corridor, right.



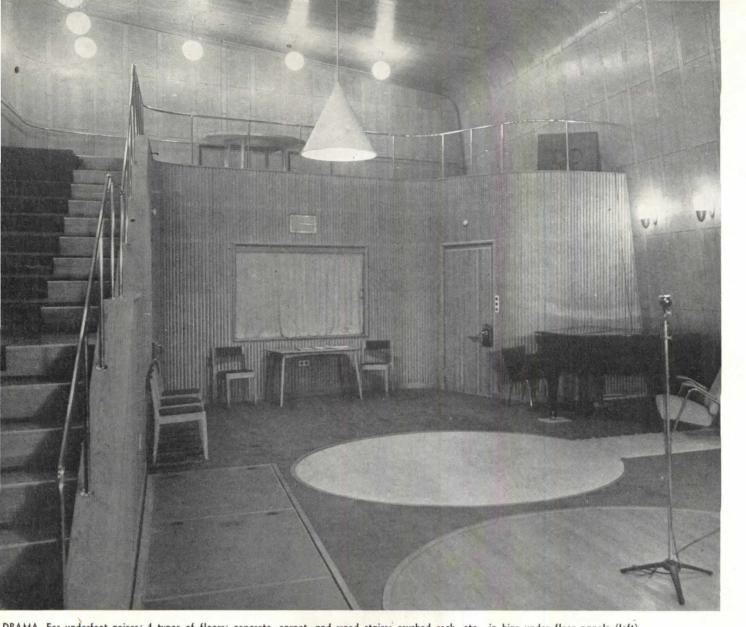
CONCERT HALL for orchestral broadcasts.

RADIOHUS, OSLO, NORWAY

NILS HOLTER, Architect

In the design of the studios in this Norwegian radio center, materials have been so chosen, organized, and applied that the rooms achieve a genuine architectural quality. Of all rooms, however, broadcasting studios can least afford to be judged on the basis of pure design. But when in addition to constituting convincing architecture, they also produce excellent sound conditions for broadcasting—for which we take the word of our correspondent—then a noteworthy contribution has been made to the field of progressive design.

The home of the Norwegian State Broadcasting Corporation, this great building, the winner of an architectural design competition, was only partly finished when the Nazis took it over in 1940. At Norwegian expense, the Germans pushed construction to the point where they could use the technical facilities. Since, many of the refinements of the original design have been included. In this presentation, we focus on the ground floor of the South Wing, where all of the studios are located. Offices, workshops, laboratories, etc., occupy the remainder of the building.

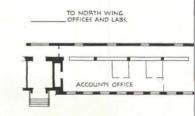


DRAMA. For underfoot noises: 4 types of floors; concrete, carpet, and wood stairs; crushed rock, etc., in bins under floor panels (left).

RADIOHUS, OSLO, NORWAY

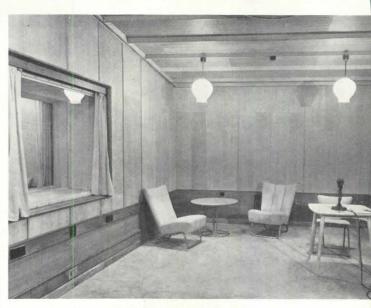
The studios and accommodations for the performers and guest artists occupy the entire ground floor of the South Wing. Except for the large concert hall, designed to seat 200, all of the studios are grouped in a single block, with control rooms so centralized that one of them oversees four studios at once. Double, sometimes triple walls occur between adjoining studios, and each room, constructed on its own concrete foundation, "floats" on rubber cushioning. The great concert hall is in a wing of its own, and the roof is a continuous curve from high above the stage down almost to ground level at the rear of the auditorium. Walls are of concrete, and the roof surface is copper. Each studio has its own special shape, and broken wall and ceiling lines have been developed in a variety of soundconditioning materials. Doors to the corridor are placed at an oblique angle, and exactly parallel planes are avoided wherever possible to kill reverberations before they are born. The accompanying photographs clearly show some of the more interesting studio treatments. Lounges and waiting rooms for musicians and other performers are located just across a corridor from the studio block; outside window walls provide a pleasing outlook over the open, landscaped site.

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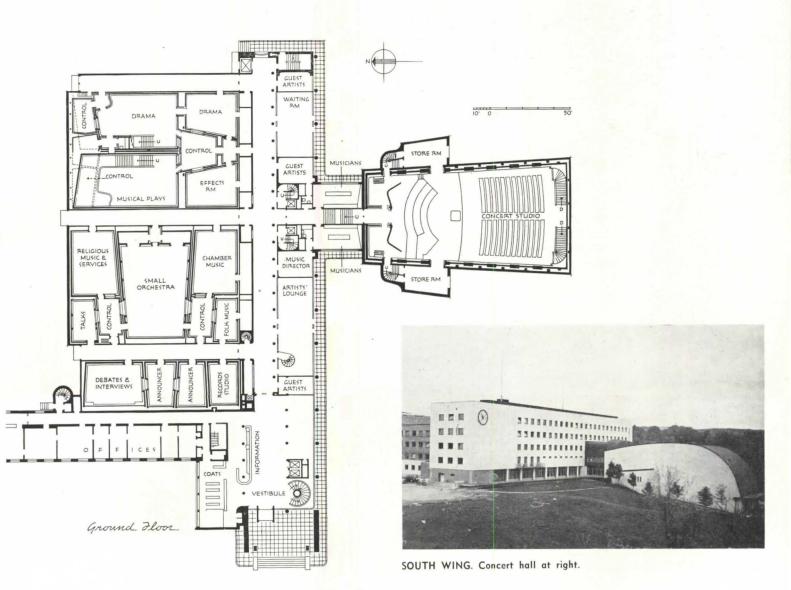




INTERVIEWS. Carpeting, draperies, perforated wood ceiling.



TALKS originate in this small, wood-paneled room.



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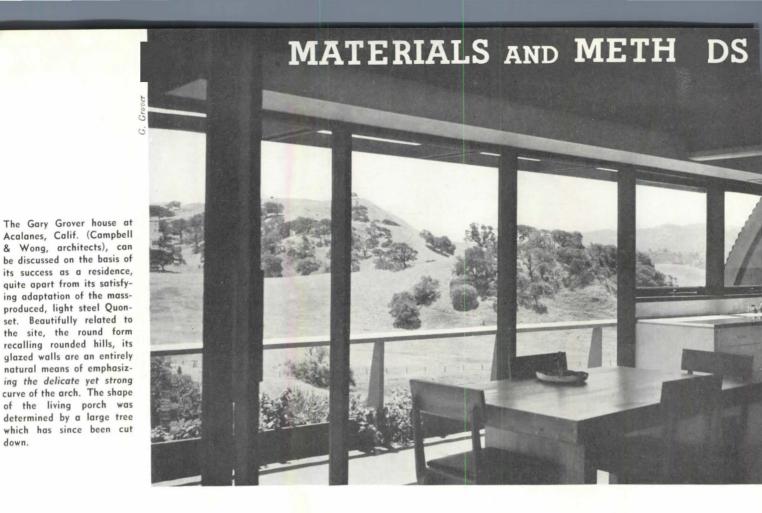
FOLK MUSIC STUDIO. The sawtooth wall and ceiling are all of wood. A twin turntable broadcasts musical recordings.



SMALL ORCHESTRAS are accommodated in this clean-cut room.



CHAMBER MUSIC STUDIO is similar in treatment to the small orchestra room; bent-section ceilings; walls of perforated acoustical panels.



MASS PRODUCTION + LIGHT STEEL

THE QUONSET PROVIDES A WORKING EXAMPLE OF TWO INTERESTING DEVELOPMENTS.

By FRANK G. LOPEZ

To a certain extent interest in massproduced buildings has continued since the recent war, and the search for rational ways of using the less familiar materials has intensified. The wood, heavy steel, masonry, and reinforced concrete upon which we principally depend are all high in cost; perhaps we can get as good—or better—buildings at less cost by using something else.

Some months ago the American Iron and Steel Institute published specifications for design in light steel shapes. Now the average designer has a reliable basis for checking his work in this unfamiliar medium. The effect upon American building could be substantial. Light steel construction would

seem more suitable for industrialized production than for custom tailoring at the job because the material is less easy to work by hand in our traditional manner than, for instance, wood; and because substantially larger units than, say, masonry can be shipped economically.

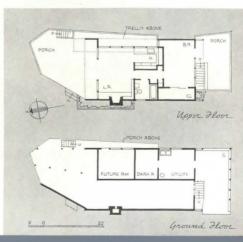
Mass production, industrialized production, prefabrication — what do such phrases really mean in relation to building construction? "Prefab," the most familiar term, has acquired a host of different connotations, from precutting of framing members to assembly of building units in factories either centralized and permanent or set up temporarily at the building site. The term

has been limited almost entirely to housing. Most of our building materials are mass-produced by industrial methods, and are mass-distributed. Wood, clay, stone, metallic ores, sand, etc., are processed in centralized plants into standard shapes, sizes, or small assemblies suitable for handling in distribution and on the job, and are then shipped in quantity to local distribution points. How far can these industrial methods be applied to complete structures?

The Quonset building, manufactured by the Stran-Steel Division of Great Lakes Steel Corporation, is a structurally complete unit produced by industrial methods; it is mass-distributed. To the

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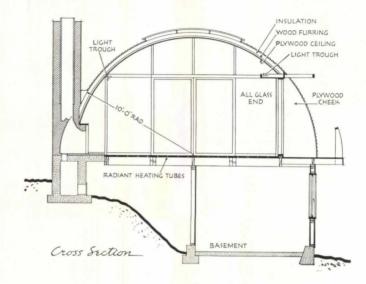




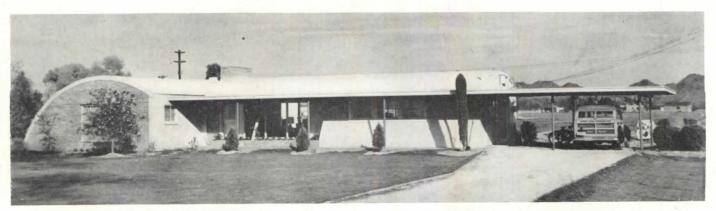








Further details of the Grover house: the standard Quonset "20" is modified at the longitudinal glass wall by omitting several normal framing members, a deviation for which the designers take structural responsibility (see text). Note the living room light troughs, which make the most of the curved "ceiling" as a light reflector without rendering it obtrusive. Heating: hot water from the utility room tank circulates through radiant tubing laid between rough floor boards above, to heat both upstairs and down. The round holes of the perforated metal hood, which reduces sky glare and will act eventually as a vine trellis, cast shadows which harmonize with the curved form. Corrugated steel is painted grayed moss green; sash trim and metal trellis, golden yellow; exposed wood, dark green stain.



Bishop house, Phoenix, Ariz. (T. Lawrence Milligan, architect), has three bedrooms. Two Quonset "24"s are used in a T-plan.

best of our knowledge it is the only premanufactured structure that is at present obtainable with reasonable ease anywhere in the country. As an example of what a truly industrialized segment of the building industry can provide, it merits close examination. What does the Quonset do to design? What can we get out of it? What is likely to be its future?

Familiar to all of us, the Quonset resulted from restudy of the British Nissen Hut, in the course of which Stran-Steel's nailable light steel structural members were incorporated in the building. Its semicircular framing members are shipped in sections; these and the bracing, corrugated sheet steel covering, standard openings, accessories, lugs, etc., are "packaged," so that the buyer receives the complete structural frame and exterior surfacing in units as large as can be handled satisfactorily, ready for job-assembly with nails, screws, and bolts. Along with the materials come standard assembly drawings. Foundations, insulation, interior surfacing, special trim and openings, equipment of any kind, all must be supplied by others. As long as the standard form is adhered to, the manufacturer is prepared to guarantee his product in any reasonable way. As soon as the basic form is substantially altered, the structural guarantee becomes the responsibility of the individual designer or builder.

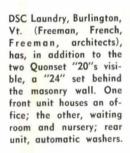
The manufacturer encourages experimentation; he will furnish complete structural data, for instance, to those who wish to make some unorthodox adaptation and must have load tables, stress diagrams, etc., in order to engineer the adaptation soundly. Certain deviations which do not unduly affect the structure are considered standard; for example, wider-than-normal openings in the curved side walls if they do not necessitate cutting off more than two of the arched Stran-Steel studs. Since these are 4 ft on centers, the normal maximum width of clear side opening is a nominal 12 ft. The buildings are available in four models: Quonset "20" (20 ft wide by 24 ft long, increasing in length by multiples of 12 ft); the "24" (24 ft wide with one vertical side wall, same lengths as the "20"); the "36" (36 ft wide, same lengths as the "40"); and the "40" (40 ft wide, semicircular in section, in any multiple of a 20-ft length). Another type, the "Multiple," has repeating arched roof sections supported on interior columns and beams.

So far there has been only one recorded difficulty with labor, and that rather foolish. In a single case the builder encountered a situation in which ceilings could be sprayed though walls must be brush-painted. (Nobody could tell where walls stopped and ceiling began!) Wide experience has not yet revealed materials which cannot be used in conjunction with Quonsets. It is feasible to employ with them foundations, floors, insulation, interior finish, heating, lighting, and other equipment of any type desired. Dry interior surfacing (plywood, wallboards, etc.) has been successfully used: so have tile or lath and plaster. In discussing costs one must remember their wide variation from place to place, even in the same community under different circumstances, particularly in today's situation; and also the fact that the building frame and shell together constitute only a fraction of the

Quonset Village Motel, Colfax, Calif., has 21 Quonset ''20'' guest houses, Quonset "40" clubhouse 100 ft long. CHIMIT!



Quonset Inn, Silver Springs, Md., is a "40" with special side entrance.





Shop interior, Veterans'
Guild of America, a G. I.
rehabilitation project,
shows adaptability to
modern industrial lighting and equipment.



Processing room of a frozen-food locker plant in New Jersey has aluminum interior sheathing to reduce deterioration and maintenance. Note dormer and preparationcounter space so organized that arched ribs do not interfere.







First National Bank, Uptown Branch, Portland, Ore. (Barrett & Logan, architects), is a 40 x 140 ft Quonset. Shell was erected in 4 days, building completed in a few weeks at a total cost of about \$31,400. Interior finish: rubber tile floors over concrete; walls, asbestos board to 8 ft, acoustic board above. Insulation: 2-in. glass wool. Exterior: exposed steel painted in eye-catching stripes, henna, peach, and lime.



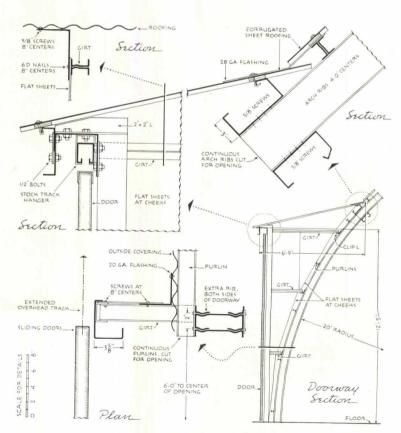


The pleasant offices of the Kraftile Co., Niles, Calif.





Nursery school near Detroit, Mich., has a classroom at either end; entry, office, etc., in the center.



Adapted from standard Quonset details, these drawings show how a 12-ft sliding door is attached to the Quonset's curved side wall. Two adjoining arched ribs are cut for this—the maximum structural deviation for which the manufacturer assumes responsibility. Note that structural potentialities of the corrugated steel skin are not fully exploited; structurally the ribs carry the principal load.

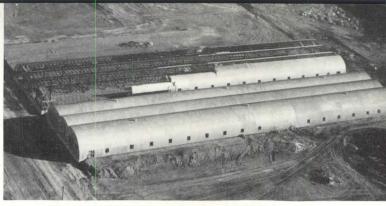
total building operation. Stran-Steel has available several "packaged" standard residential models; one of these, known as the *Brighton*, was the subject of a detailed cost breakdown by a reliable contractor in the Detroit area. The *Brighton* is 20 x 36 ft, and is a two-bedroom house with living room, bath, and a utility kitchen containing the heating plant; it has no basement. In March, 1947, for that building erected in that locality, the total cost of a single Quonset ready for occupancy was under \$4,700; for projects of 25 or more, under \$4,400 per house. Of this, \$884.00 per house was the cost of the Quonset shell in both cases. The remainder was accounted for by all the usual items, ranging from permits, surveys, and grading to foundations, flooring, interior finish, heating plant, etc. Cost of land was not included, nor was any profit or overhead; these were rock-bottom figures.

A glance at the accompanying illustrations will reveal only a few of the many different uses to which Quonsets have been put. It is difficult to estimate to what extent their apparent popularity is due to availability and reasonable cost in a time of great demand. However, we know personally of many cases of great enthusiasm, enough at least to balance the indifference of others.

Thus far we have discussed only the practical problems this particular mass-produced light steel building introduces. Esthetically the form is as old as the hills; any student knows the history of the barrel vault which, developed from the simple arch, flowered into the traditional Romanesque. Some know that the indigenous American buildings, at least along the Atlantic Coast, were framed of saplings, brought together and tied at the top, and covered with bark or thatch—the whole very much like a modern Quonset set up on vertical walls. How many know that the British, after they first landed here, lived for years in huts of wattles and thatch, of almost the same design? (The log house came much later, with Scandinavian immigration.)

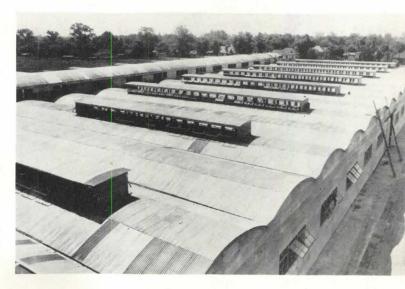
The firm of Campbell & Wong, architects of two houses shown in this issue, prefer not to apply dormers to Quonsets, in order to retain all the simplicity of the barrel form. They are not averse to vertical walls inside the curved plane, and they freely use light horizontal trelliswork and other devices to blend the form with its surroundings, or to accent it without overwhelming it. Theirs is not the only approach; Professor Bruce Goff, now of the University of Oklahoma, combined the Quonset barrel freely with masonry masses, expanses of glass, and delicate horizontals in his famous chapel for the Sea Bees. He has other Quonset projects under way; in one he proposes to join the rib sections so that, instead of continuing the arch to the ground, the roof sweeps upward in an S-curve whose high point, almost twice the usual Quonset height, is held up by mullions that also support a wall of glass.

Between such imaginative concepts and thoughtless slapping up of false fronts to conceal the barrel form there can be all the degrees of excellence one would expect from any architectural material. Thorough knowledge of it, respect for its limitations, and imagination should produce good architecture from the Quonset.



Multiple Quonset plant of York-Shipley, Inc., York, Pa., completed early in 1947. Photos show two triple-bay units; mineral wool insulation being installed; insulating board interior surfacing. F. J. Rempp, Archt.





Special adaptation of Multiple Quonsets; Great Lakes Steel Corp., Terre Haute, Ind.



Three adaptations to farm needs: Quonset set on vertical lower walls forms a barn that is highly satisfactory; interior of a stock barn showing interior metal sheathing, special windows, etc.; a "24" used for implement storage, etc.

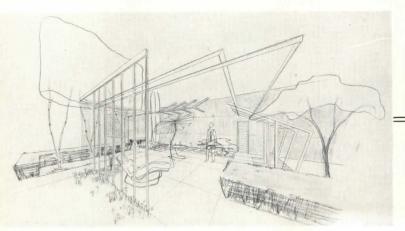


MODULAR GARDENS

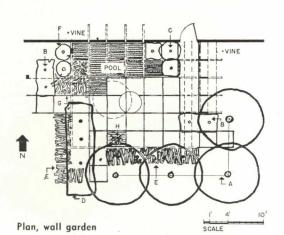
JAMES C. ROSE, Landscape Architect

The drawings on these and the next two pages show three gardens (and the units of which they are composed) that are designed for the most limited spaces. The largest is approximately 36 x 24 ft, the smallest 24 x 15 ft. For all practical purposes it is impossible to achieve an effective garden in less space. Yet these projects are not cramped, or stuffed into their restricted areas. They have been developed freely and liberally; each is capable of expansion or even some contraction. They are carefully planned to link with garden areas beyond, and with the houses of which they are parts. This does not mean that they are any the less effective as separate entities.

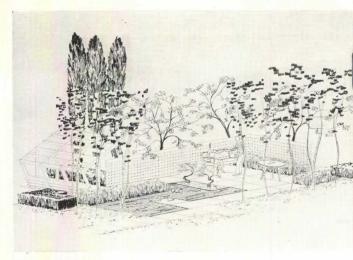
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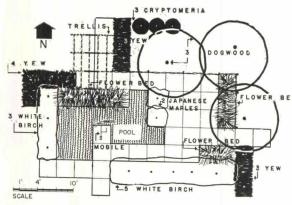
WALL GARDEN



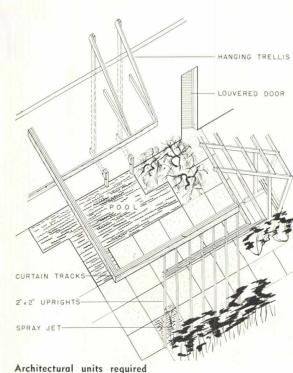
DOGWOOD EVONYMUS ALATUS JAPANESE MAPLES WHITE BIRCH YEW HEDGE CRYPTOMERIA PERENNIALS JET

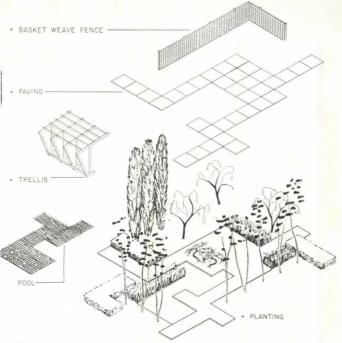


POOL GARDEN



Plan, pool garden





These simple units compose the pool garden

OOL GARDEN. This is the largest of these three "incidents," 36 x 24 ft; ore than 50 of them could be fitted into one acre, or one could be adapted the smallest suburban lot. The pool garden is designed as a casual garden pening directly from the kitchen, living room, or bedroom. A complete list its standard parts:

Architectural Materials sections angular trellis with louvers six-ft sections of 4-ft-high basket-weave fence

precast, colored, paving units each 3 ft square three-ft pool sections

sculptured mobile

Planting

9 three-ft squares of flowers

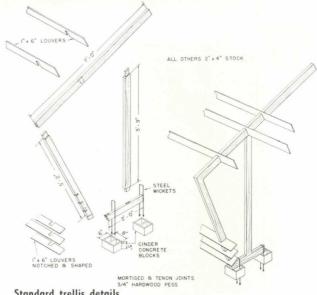
8 white birches, 18 ft

3 flowering dogwood, 12 ft

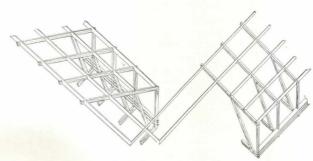
3 Cryptomeria, 20 ft

2 Japanese maples, 3 ft

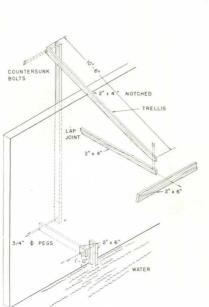
10 yews in hedges, 18 in.



Standard trellis details



More complex assembly of the standard trellis



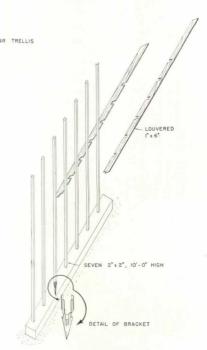
Support of hanging trellis



Fish-net curtain



WALL GARDEN. From an existing 12-ft wood wall, one trellis is suspended and anchored behind the wall as shown by dotted lines. The face of this trellis, in turn, supports the arm of a cantilevered curtain track. An exotic effect is created by using as a curtain a fish net woven in a free pattern of earth colors. With the trellis louvers extended and interlocked with slender uprights, this arrangement emphasizes the dramatics of tension; the parts are interdependent for support. All flowers and vines are annuals chosen for their hot-climate colors.



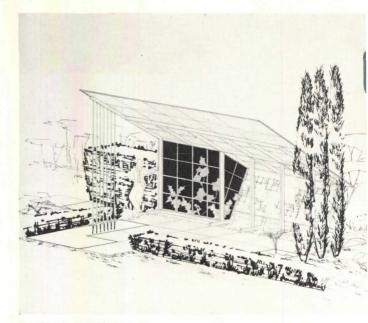
Details, vertical track supports

Each of these garden "incidents" is composed of precisely the same parts in varying arrangements. Basic to each is the angular trellis, which may be assembled in great variety to suit a particular garden. Paving throughout is of standard 3-ft square blocks, of precast and colored concrete. The standard reflecting pool is likewise assembled in 3-ft modular units. Around the pool the planting beds can be varied for seasonal effect by lifting paving sections and setting in their place plants just about to come into bloom. When the effect is past, the flowers can be removed and the paving restored.

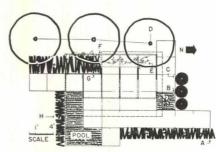
This is only one of several possibilities within each garden. One might decide on a permanent paving and flower bed pattern; the limits of the beds, being small and well defined by the paving, assure a well kept appearance. Similarly, one might decide to eliminate flowers, or to employ annuals only, or to grow only certain types, as iris and paeonia in June and chrysanthemums in the autumn. With modular paving that can thus be left in place or rearranged as needed, it is hard to imagine a more flexible garden scheme, or one more suited to the gardener with a yen for experimen-

Planting

All planting is similarly done. Each plant is chosen for its height, spread, and form at maturity, and these dimensions become a definite module so that plants may be set and spaced with almost the same precision as trellis sections, paving, and pool. Even the smaller, less determinant plants (perennials, ground cover, bulbs) may be planted in a like modular relationship of single or multiple 3-ft squares. On the following pages is the first portion of a plant list schemed to aid in selecting materials. The second and concluding portion will appear next month.

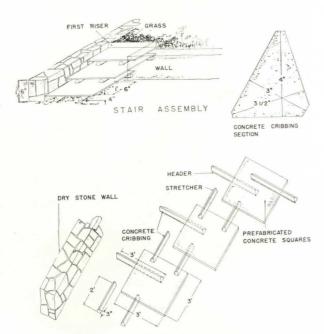


MORNING-GLORY GARDEN

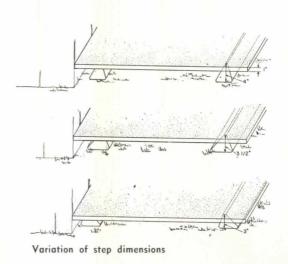


Plan, morning-glory garden

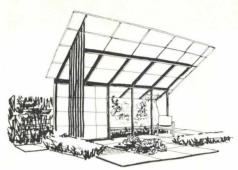
JET CRYPTOMERIA FLOWERING CHERRY MORNING GLORY TURQUOISE VINE EVONYMUS ALATUS DWARF FLOWERING QUINCE - 18"



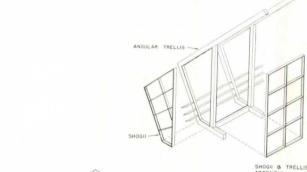
MODULAR STEPS FOR MODULAR GARDENS

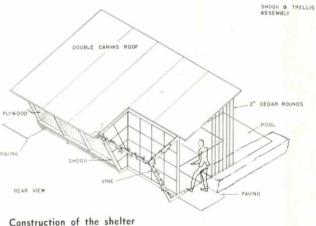


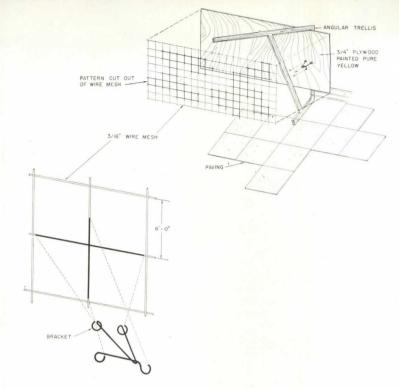
Using a single shape and size of precast reinforced concrete cribbing and modular paving squares, it is possible to obtain several dimensional variations. The secret lies in the dimensioning of the cribbing units used to support the slabs. Set on one side, the triangular cribbing produces steps 5 in. high; on another, 41/2 in.; on the other, 4 in. This adds to the preceding modular elements-trellis, paving, planting beds, pool, fence, and shoji—a seventh standardized item.



Trellis with shojis and canvas roof







MORNING-GLORY GARDEN. The smallest garden shown, an "incident" in a larger landscape, links itself with other parts of the garden (house, orchard, terrace, etc.) by a free-flowing system of paths. Here is introduced another modular element, the shoji, a true curtain-wall of white spun-glass fabric (which will not rot) stretched across a hardwood frame. It is constructed in 3-ft modules for use within the 3-ft trellis interval. One special angular type is devised to fit into the trellis arch. The shojis can be removed, stored, and replaced like window screens. They are translucent, to prevent through vision yet transmit the silhouette of the shadowed plant form. This shelter is designed specifically to exploit blue morning-glories, which bloom in the morning but close after an hour of full sunlight. Morning-glories require good light to open by; the same light causes them to close. This shelter can trick the blossoms into remaining open all day; the shelter is faced just north of east, with a wide projecting roof sloping up toward the morning sun. The early light penetrates to the morning-glory bed and the flowers open. After a short exposure to the sun they are protected from it by the roof and shojis, yet the late afternoon sun may sparkle on the pool surface; being protected, the morning-glory blooms remain open.

PLANT LIST

TREES:	Tracery
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SCIENTIFIC AND COMMON NAMES

40 FT PLUS

Acer rubrum Red Maple

Acer psuedoplatanus Planetree Maple Ginkgo biloba

Ginkgo (Gingko)
Gleditsia triacanthos
Honey Locust

Liriodendron tulipifera Tulip Tree

Nyssa sylvatica Black Tupelo

Pinus strobus Eastern White Pine

Quercus borealis Northern Red Oak

Robinia psuedoacacia Black Locust

CHARACTERISTICS, REMARKS, SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Mar., Apr.: red flowers. Oct., Nov.: red and yellow coloring.

Apr., May: yellow-green flowers in clusters 2 to 5" long. June, July: brownish-green winged seeds in showy clusters.

Oct., Nov.: yellow coloring.

Oct., Nov.: yellow coloring.

May: greenish-yellow flowers with orange centers. Oct., Nov.: yellow coloring.

Oct., Nov.: intense red color. Trunk is light brownish-gray, smooth.

Evergreen.

Oct., Nov.: deep red to orange color.

May, June: fragrant white flowers. Sept., Oct.: pale yellow coloring.

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HEIGHT	SCIENTIFIC AND COMMON NAMES	CHARACTERISTICS, REMARKS, SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS
20 TO 40 FT	Acer pennsylvanicum Striped Maple	Apr., May: yellow-green flowers in long, drooping clusters. Oct., Nov. clear yellow coloring. Branchlets green with longitudinal white stripes
	Betula alba White Birch	Oct., Nov.: yellow coloring. Trunk white and peeling.
	Betula lenta Sweet Birch	Oct., Nov.: yellow coloring.
	Betula papyrifera Paper Birch Betula populifolia Gray Birch	Oct., Nov.: yellow coloring. Trunk white, peeling, with pink or yellow tinge where no sun reaches it. Oct., Nov.: yellow coloring. Trunk grayish-white, does not peel.
	Carpinus betulus European Hornbeam	Trunk bluish-gray, smooth.
	Populus tremuloides Quaking Aspen	Oct., Nov.: yellow coloring.
	Sassafras albidum Common Sassafras	Oct., Nov.: intense red coloring.
12 TO 20 FT	Amelanchier canadensis Shadblow Serviceberry	May: small, abundant, fragrant flowers. June, July: red fruits. Oct., Nov. red coloring.
	Betula lenta Sweet Birch	(See above.)
	Betula populifolia Gray Birch	(See above.)
	Cercis canadensis Eastern Redbud	May, June: purplish, dark pink flowers. Oct., Nov.: yellow coloring.
	Laburnum alpinum Scotch Laburnum	May, June: yellow flowers in long, drooping clusters.
	Sassafras albidum Common Sassafras	(See above.)
GROUN 12 IN.	D COVERS Ajuga genevensis	May, June: deep blue flowers in spikes. Sun or shade.
OR LESS	Geneva Bugle Ajuga reptans	May, June: blue flowers in spikes. Sun or shade.
	Carpet Bugle Arctostaphylos uva-ursi Bearberry	May, June, July: pink to white flowers. Oct., Nov.: red fruit, bronze coloring. Sun, light shade.
	Asarum shuttleworthi Mottled Wild Ginger	May, June: purple flowers at base of plant. Full shade.
	Convallaria majalis Lily-of-the-Valley	May: fragrant white spikes. Sun, light shade.
	Cornus canadensis Bunchberry	May, June: white flowers. Light shade.
	Epigea repens Trailing Arbutus	Apr., May: fragrant pink-white flowers. Full shade.
	Euonymus fortunei kewensis Kew Wintercreeper Euonymus	Evergreen. Sun or shade.
	Euonymus fortunei radicans Common Wintercreeper Euonymus	Evergreen. Sun or shade.
	Gaultheria procumbens Checkerberry Wintergreen	Evergreen. July, Aug.: pink-white flowers. Oct., Nov.: red fruit and dee red foliage. Light shade.
	Hedera helix baltica English Ivy	Evergreen. Full or light shade.
	Maianthemum canadensis Canada Beadruby	May, June: white flowers. July, Aug.: foliage dies down. Light shade.
	Mazus japonicus (none)	Evergreen. May: red flower spikes. Oct.: bronze coloring. Sun or light shade.
	Mitchella repens Partridgeberry	Evergreen. June: pink-white flowers. Aug., Sept.: bright red fruit. Light shade.
	Pachistima canbyi Canby Pachistima	Evergreen. Sun or shade.
	Pachysandra terminalis Japanese Pachysandra	Evergreen. Light or full shade.
	Polygonum reynoutria Dwarf Lace Plant	Sept.: pink flower sprays. Full sun.

Apr., May: blue flowers in clusters. Light or full shade.

Evergreen. June, July: lilac flowers in clusters. Full sun.

Evergreen. May, June: solitary blue flowers. Sun or shade.

Thymus sp.
Thyme

Pulmonaria angustifolia azurea Azure Cowslip Lungwort

Vinca minor Common Periwinkle

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1-126. Pressure Controllers, External-Pilot-Operated (Bul. 462), 19-p. illus. booklet of engineering, operating, and maintenance data on pressure control-lers, diaphragm regulating valves, and control pilots. Capacity tables, installation details and data. Leslie Co.

1-124. The National Fitters Guide (Form 488), The National Radiator Co. Reviewed August.

1-1?1. How To Live In June All Winter (Bul. S-380-A), The Trane Co. Reviewed August.

1-127. Rules and Regulations for Installation of Heating Cable for Radiant Heated Buildings, Soil Heating, 12-p. booklet (3½x6; Washington State Electrical Code). Code provisions, details. Div. of Safety, Dept. of Labor and Industries, Electrical License Div., State of Washington.

1-128. Base-Ray Taco Radiant ★ Heating Systems (BT-147), 6-p. folder on installation of "Base-Ray" radiant baseboards of cast iron units; 3 systems of circulation. Typical layouts, recommended pipe connection data for both copper and steel tubing. Taco Heaters, Inc.

1-125. USAIRCO Water Coils (Bul. 67), AIA 30-E, U. S. Air Conditioning Corp. Reviewed August.

1-129. Refrigeration Units B42), 4-p. illus. folder on Freon-12 refrigerating units with air-cooled condensers. Selection tables, specifications. Worthington Pump & Machinery Corp.

Doors and Windows

4-98. Storm Panels and Screens (Bul. 2005), Ceco Steel Products Corp. Reviewed August.

4-99. Clark Over Head Doors, Clark Door Co., Inc. Reviewed August.

4-101. The Window of the Future Today!, 4-p. illus. booklet on wooden awning windows in three tiers for commercial, residential, and institutional buildings; each tier is individually operated. Installation details, specifica-tions. (Available in standard and special sizes.) Gate City Sash & Door Co.

4-102. Golly! It's Magic (Bul. 2077), 4-p. illus. folder on removable doublehung window unit designed to facilitate easy washing. Casing holds screen and storm sash, has pivot-ventilators. Installation and removing instructions. Marquart Millwork Co.

4-97. Hollow Metal Doors, Frames and

Trims, Trussbilt, Div. of Siems Bros., Inc. Reviewed August.

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4-103. Orange Metal Doors, AIA 16-A, 4-p. illus. folder on all-steel interior doors and door frames. Reversible for right and left hand; fire- and soundretarding. Installation details. Virginia Metal Products Corp.

4-100. Venetian Screen, Warp Bros. Reviewed August.

4-104. Design Into Your New Construction, 4-p. illus. booklet on Dura-seal weatherstrip and sash balance which eliminates pulleys, cords, and weights on wood double-hung windows. Sash slide in aluminum tracks. Zegers, Inc.

Electrical Equipment and Lighting

5-85. Now for Smaller Homes, Cutler-Hammer, Inc. Reviewed August.

5-89. Tulox Fluorescent Diffusers, 4-p. illus. booklet on one-piece tubular transparent plastic diffusers that fit directly over fluorescent tubes to reduce glare. Available in clear and five basic colors. Installation and ordering data. Price list. Extruded Plastics, Inc.

5-90. Color in Lighting, 6-p. illus. reprint on the use of color in lighting; practical aspects of its measurement, specifications, and application data. Tables on effects of fluorescent; color temperature due to combinations of colored fluorescent lamps. General Electric Co.

5-86. Surface-Attached Holoflux, Holophane Co., Inc. Reviewed August.

5-87. Are You Going to Build, Modernize, or Repair? (Form 2522), Pass & Seymour, Inc. Reviewed August.

5-91. Tung-Sol (Form A-41), 8-p. illus. booklet on snap-action current intermittors and relays for use in precision circuit breakers and electrical controls. Functions, applications, advantages. Specification tables. Tung-Sol Lamp Works, Inc.

5-88. Modern Electric Household Refrigeration and Home Freezing, Reference Handbook No. 3, Westinghouse Electric Corp. Reviewed August.

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Finishers and Protectors

6-99. Magnesium Anodes for Cathodic Protection (Form DM-CP1), The Dow Chemical Co., Magnesium Div. Reviewed August.

6-100. Suggestions from an Interior Decorator (F-85), National Chemical & Mfg. Co. Reviewed August.

6-102. 101 Useful Luminescent Applications, 20-p. illus. booklet (31/2x6) on the use of phosphorescent pigments in the house on light switches, stair treads, doorknobs, etc. Also fluorescent "black light" pigments for interior decoration in restaurants, theaters, etc. The New Jersey Zinc Sales Co.

6-101. Protexol Fireproofing, AIA 19: A:33 (Circular 108), Protexol Corp. Reviewed August.

Insulation (Thermal, Acoustic)

9-69. Ferro-Therm Steel Insulation, American Flange & Mfg. Co., Inc. Reviewed August.

9-72. Steel Sheets That Insulate, 5-p. illus. reprint on low temperature in-sulating steel sheets. Lightweight; fire-, moisture-, and odor-resistant. Resist 95 to 96.7% of radiant heat. Insulation tests, installation data. American Flange & Mfg. Co., Inc.

9-73. Facts You Should Know About Home Insulation (No. TD-2-346), 10-p. illus. booklet on application of Temlok rigid board insulation; lightweight, moisture- and vermin-proof. Said to reduce fuel consumption 30% or more. Installation data. Armstrong Cork Co., Building Materials Div.

9-70. Styrofoam (Form PL-51), The Dow Chemical Co. Reviewed August.

9-74. Insulating Varnishes (CDR-13). 42-p. illus. data book on insulating varnishes as finishers on coils, metal cast-

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ings, pole leads, etc., to resist acids, alkali, moisture, and rust penetration. General Electric Co., Resin & Insulation Materials Div.

9-71. P. C. Foamglas Insulation for Roofs (G423), Pittsbu Corp. Reviewed August. Pittsburgh Corning

Load-Bearing Structures

12-121. Arketex for Modern Homes, Arketex Ceramic Corp. Reviewed August.

12-122. Build the Thermos Wall Way, Concrete Thermos Wall Co. of America. Reviewed August.

12-123. Fletcher Granite, AIA 8-B-3, H. E. Fletcher Co. Reviewed August.

12-126. Marble Forecast, AIA-22-A 6-p. booklet on domestic and imported marbles in standard and modular sizes. Approximate color ranges. Companies in production, types available. Marble Institute of America, Inc.

12-124. Modern Developments in Reinforced Concrete, No. 18, Portland Cement Assn. Reviewed August.

12-125. Rilco Laminated Wood Rafters and Arches for Every Type of Farm Building (Cat. G), Rilco Laminated Products, Inc. Reviewed August.

12-127. Modern Building with Wood, 40-p. illus. booklet on light and heavy wood construction; examples of Teco connector, Lamella, and glued laminated construction. Data on timber connectors, termite shields, and framing anchors. Timber Engineering Co.

12-128. Western Concrete Piles and Caissons, 6-p. illus. pamphlet on the installation of concrete piles and caisson foundations. Types of piles available, characteristics, advantages, and specifications. Western Foundation Co. & Western Concrete Pile Corp.

Materials of Installation

13-56. Casco Gluing Chart, Casein Co. of America, Div. of The Borden Co. Reviewed August.

13-57. Tremglaze Mastic Glazing Compound, AIA 26-B-2, The Tremco Mfg. Co. Reviewed August.

13-58. Chromtrim Aluminum Mouldings, 25-p. illus. catalog on aluminum alloy trim for commercial and domestic use. Illustrated list on available trim, such as counter edgings, edgings for floor, drainboard, and sink frame in-stallations; stair nosings; cove sec-tions; panel dividers; inside and outside corners. Instructions on installation; tables on sizes; ordering data. R. D. Werner Co., Inc.

13-59. Champion Light-Duty Clamps (Bul. 49), a sheet on light-duty
"C" clamps with light-weight clamps with lightweight alloy holder designed to provide maximum strength at points of greatest stress. Specifications, price list. The Western Tool & Mfg. Co., Inc.

Non-Load-Bearing Structures

14-40. Julius Blum & Co., Inc., 115-p. illus. booklet on available ornamental and industrial metals (railings, moldings, tubings, shapes, and ornaments). Weights; specifications. Julius Blum & Co., Inc.

14-41. Magnesium Alloys (Form No. DM 76C-75-C-746), 24-p. illus. booklet on magnesium alloys for many purposes, including characteristics, chanical properties (tension, compression, etc.) of magnesium bars, rods, shapes, plates, sheets, strip suitable for structural purposes. The Dow Chemical Co.

14-42. Textolite Laminated Plastics (CDP-548), 64-p. illus. booklet on the manufacture and application of sheets, rods, and rectangular tubes from laminated plastics. Engineering data; tables of electrical, physical, and mechanical properties; sizes and tolerances. Grades available, methods for fabricating laminates, and suggestions for ordering. General Electric Co.

14-38. Ideas for Brighter Homes with Insulux Glass Blocks (1B67), Owens-Illinois Glass Co., Insulux Products Div. Reviewed August.

14-39. Carrara, The Modern Structural Glass of Infinite Possibilities (G-6554), Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. Reviewed August.

14-43. Plastics, The Story of An Industry, 36-p. illus. booklet on origin, development, and uses of plastics. Data on manufacturing, characteristics, and types of thermoplastic and thermosetting plastics, classification and uses of rubber-like plastics. Employment opportunities, prospects, and import-ance of engineering in this field. List of trade papers and universities offering courses in plastics. Society of the Plastic Industry, Inc.

Sanitary Equipment, Water Supply and Drainage

19-157. Pump Engineering Data, 416-p. illus. engineering manual (8½x5) on pumps. Types and engineering data. Application, capacity tables, formulas. Specifications, pump materials, properties. Drawings; pump equipment data; prices; freight rates. (Price \$2.00 per copy; make check or money order payable to Economy Pumps, Inc.) Economy Pumps, Inc.

19-143. Waste King, Incinerator Products Co. Reviewed August.

Two booklets from Rheem Mfg. Co., Appliance Div. Reviewed August: 19-144. Automatic Electric Storage Water Heater, Series 60, AIA 29-D-2. 19-145. Water Softener, Series 2700, AIA 29-D-32.

19-146. Water Hammer-Its Cause and Cure (Bul. 120), Wade Mfg. Co. Reviewed August.

19-158. Solves Today's Biggest Problems in Underground Pipe Insulation (Form 4704-3-47 SPS), 4-p. illus. booklet on insulated pipe conduit systems let on insulated pipe conduit systems for underground steam, hot water, and oil lines. Description, specification, uses; engineering data and drawings. Dimension and capacity tables. Accessories. Ric-wiL Co.

19-159. Washroom Advisory Service, AIA 29-i, 24-p. illus. book-let on locker, wash room, and recreation room planning, layout, equipment for schools, industrial buildings, theaters, restaurants, etc. Drawings and dimensional data on many types of sanitary equipment. Architectural consulting service. Scott Paper Co.

19-160. Yeomans Type HSD, Single Stage, Double Suction Pumps, AIA 295 (Bul. 1600), 8-p. booklet on general purpose pumps for use in city water supply; condensate or make-up water service; air, brine, or hot water circulation; white water or overflow service in paper mills, etc. Handles clear liquids of low viscosity at moderate heads. Performance curves, details of construction; selection and dimension charts. Yeomans Bros. Co.

Specialized Equipment

19-161. American Standards, 4701, 24-p. price list of 864 standards promulgated by the ASA, including construction and engineering standards. American Standards Assn.

19-162. How to Get the Most Value with Ozalid, primarily an instruction manual, telling how to use Ozalid printing and developing machines, with special instructions for each of 15 types of Ozalid paper, cloth, film, plastic, and color reproduction materials. Contains a minimum of the usual advertising. Operating data, specifications. Ozalid, Div. of General Aniline and Film Corp.

19-147. A Message About Confessionals (Bul. 164), Burgess-Manning Co. Reviewed August.

19-148. Sanitation Codes Demand Clean Glasses, The Lofstrand Co. Reviewed August.

Two booklets from Midwest Mfg. Co. Reviewed August: 19-149. Complete Kitchen-Kraft Steel Kitchens.

19-150. Kitchen-Kraft Steel Kitchen Cabinets.

19-163. Cooking Electrically (ER-46), 10-p. illus. consumer booklet on automatic electric range. Automatic timing controls. Instruction on baking, broiling, roasting, etc. Emphasis on adequate wiring. Specifications. National Electrical Mfrs. Assn.

Two booklets from Visual-Equipment Mfrs. Council. Reviewed August: 19-155. Designs for Visual Education. 19-156. Designs for Visual Education, Part II.

Surfacing Materials

19-151. Suntile, Cambridge Tile Mfg. Co. Reviewed August.

19-152. Plastic Magnesium Oxychloride Flooring, The Camp Co. Reviewed Au-

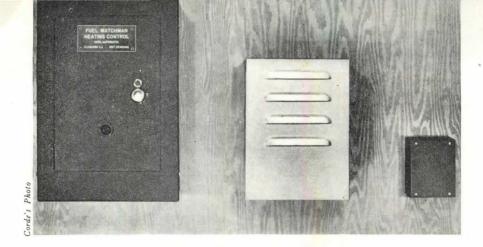
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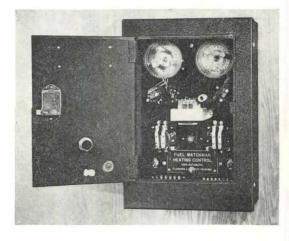
Weldtex Striated Plywood, 10-p. illus. booklet on plywood for walls, ceilings, furniture in residential and commercial buildings. Also Weldtex Exterior Grade Striated Plywood. Finishes; application methods. U. S. Plywood Corp.

19-154. Zonolite Insulating Concrete Floors, AIA 37-A (Form CA-4), Universal Zonolite Insulation Co. Reviewed

Traffic Equipment

20-42. Elevator Door Details (Form 667), Montgomery Elevator Co. Reviewed August.





Three units comprise the new Fuel Watchman heat control: above, left, main control panel; center, outside thermostat; right, roof control. At left, main panel, opened, reveals the simplicity and ruggedness of the mechanism. At top of the main panel are the two sets of plastic dials referred to in the text.

EFFICIENT NEW HEAT CONTROL

The three units shown above, plus wiring designed to simplify installation, compose a remarkably sensitive and efficient heat control for large installations such as apartment houses. Known as the "Fuel Watchman" (manufactured by Fuel Watchman, 77-29 138th St., Flushing, N. Y.), it is not yet in quantity production although it has been thoroughly tested on a few local installations for several years with remarkably improved operation of heating systems and considerable savings of both fuel and manpower.

The roof control, preset at the factory, is located where it will receive direct sunshine for the greatest number of hours per day. It determines the amount of solar radiation being absorbed by the building, in order to prevent the system from overheating on mild, sunny days. The outside thermostatic control, mounted preferably on the north side of the building away from direct sunshine, operates selectors in the main panel at any of six predetermined temperature settings, which range from 60F to below freezing. The main panel is mounted in the boiler room and requires an electrical supply.

Inside the main panel are synchronous clocks on each of which are mounted six plastic schedule discs or dials (see illustration), one corresponding to each temperature setting. At 60F outside, one disc controls the boilers; at 55F,

another; and so on down to 30F or below. Relays, actuated by the discs to furnish the actual motive power for operating the boilers, are well oversized; the entire assembly is notable for its ruggedness, simplicity, and accuracy. Very little servicing has been necessary on units installed to date. The "Watchman" keeps the boilers in operation as long as there is a call for heat; when the design pressure builds up in the boiler the assumption is that the heat demand is satisfied and the boiler shuts off. This presupposes good design, installation, and maintenance of the heating system itself. Of course, a change in outside temperature will cause the controls to activate the boilers again. For morning "pickup," the control operates the boilers continuously on pressure in order to reach the desired building temperature quickly. The above applies to steam systems. For hot water systems, the control operates the circulating pump in a corresponding manner.

ELECTRIC RANGE FOR BUILDING IN

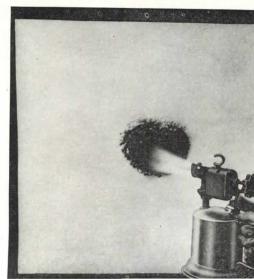
At last one range manufacturer (Thermador Electrical Mfg. Co., Los Angeles 22, Calif.) has produced a series of units which can be built into any kitchen design. There are four types of

units (griddle, cooking unit, ovens, and wall heater), any or all of which may be installed together in any sequence or location desired. Called the "Thermador," the range's griddle unit can be installed flush with any counter top, as can the cooking unit which has three "burners" and a deep-well cooker for which switches provide five heating levels. The ovens can be built into any vertical cabinet at whatever height the housewife wants; the primary oven (there are two) has automatic time and temperature control, interior light, baking and broiling units, is large and well insulated. Secondary oven, nearly identical, lacks only the clock and "minute minder." Somebody should give this manufacturer a medal.

FIRE-RETARDANT PAINT

"Albi-R" (Albi Chemical Corp., New York, N. Y.) is a fire-retardant paint which, when exposed to direct flames as shown below, bubbles up into a charred mass of blisters that reportedly prevents the penetration of heat to any substance beneath. The new protective coating is easily applied by brush or spray. It is said to exceed the requirements of the 20-minute burning test (Fed. Spec. SS-A-118) and accelerated aging tests conducted at Purdue University showed no failure after the equivalent of 20 years' weathering. The product was recently dramatically pictured in Life Magazine. It is the only fire-retardant coating listed by the Underwriters' Labs, and it has been approved by the N. Y. City Board of Standards and Appeals for use on combustible materials.

> "Albi-R", a new fire-retardant paint (Albi Chemical Corp., New York, N. Y.) forms an incombustible coating when subjected to flame.

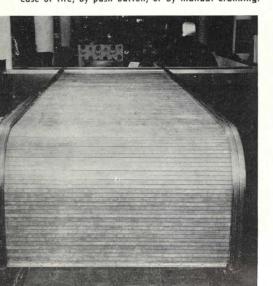




10 in. of concrete is poured to make a reinforced slab over radiant heating pipes in the quarter-mile-long warehouse being built by United States Steel's pipe-making subsidiary National Tube Co., at its Lorain, Ohio, plant. 25 miles of 1-in. steel pipe, grouped in 481 coils (one shown in foreground), are embraced in the closed 3-acre system, which will heat more than 7 million cu ft of space.



Above, Ceco combination storm window and screen unit (Ceco Steel Products Corp., Chicago, III.): all aluminum, its bottom storm sash is "stored" by raising and locking in place; screen remains in position all year. Below, electrically operated rolling steel shutters for scaling an Escalator (Otis Elevator Co.) at top of each run operate either automatically in case of fire, by push button, or by manual cranking.



THIS MONTH'S PRODUCTS

AIR AND TEMPERATURE CONTROL

Fuel Watchman. Heat control for large installations which keeps boilers in operation until pressure indicates heat demand is satisfied, then shuts off automatically. Features a roof control which determines amount of sun radiation absorbed; relates this to actual heat produced, thereby preventing overheating. Fuel Watchman, 77-29 138th St., Flushing, N. Y.

Alnor Dewpointer. A humidity control instrument, eliminates need for external coolants. Built to instrument standards, available in two ranges—dew point minus 20F and room temperature, and minus 100F to 0F. Illinois Testing Laboratories, Inc., 420 N. La Salle St., Chicago 10, Ill.

Trion Electric Air Filter. Electrostatic precipitation, attached to warm air furnace or air conditioning system, cleanses air in homes. Two sizes available, Model 100 for houses up to 7 rooms, Model 200 up to 11 rooms. Operating cost equals 40 watt. Trion, Inc., 1000 Island Ave., McKees Rocks, Pa.

DOORS AND WINDOWS

Ceco Storm Window and Screen Unit. All aluminum, bottom sash "stored" by raising and locking in place. Ceco Steel Products Corp., 5701 W. 26th St., Chicago, Ill.

Bakewell-Hydro-Hinge. Built like a hinge, for residential, commercial, and industrial use; eliminates all visible door closing mechanisms such as springs and hydraulic units. Adjusts to varying speeds; tamperproof and non-leakage. Bakewell Products, 1201 Riv Vista Ave., Los Angeles 23, Calif.

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND LIGHTING

Counter, Accent, and General Lighting Fixtures. Designed to illuminate without glare at low brightness; answers specific lighting problems. Downlight projects from inconspicuous source; blends into slightly illuminated ceilings; provides nearly shadowless illumination. Directional lighting is very flexible; used in downlight or angular accent light. Counter downlight projects long, narrow beam conforming to outline of counter top. Century Lighting, Inc., 419 W. 55th St., New York 19, N. Y.

"Circline," Fluorescent Fixture. Takes 32-watt lamp which banishes shadows; sends evenly diffused "daylight" in every corner of kitchen, bath, basement, hall, or workshop. Easy to install; holds new spring-type knockout button for pull-chain or drop cord. 13" width; 4½" height. Homecraft Electronic Products, 1208 S. Kedzie Ave., Chicago 23, Ill.

FINISHERS AND PROTECTORS

Plastiglaze. A new plastic coating which hardens, toughens, and preserves paper, plywood, lumber, and plaster against water, salt air, and most mild acid solution. Also affords high surface glaze. Calresin Corp., Culver City, Calif.

"Pinta" Preservative. A wood preservative for protection against beetles and termites. Renders wood practically odorless. Insoluble properties prevent leaking. Chapman Chemical Co., 333 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill.

California Redwood Stain. A protector which maintains color of redwood clapboards and sidings; also restores original color to faded redwoods. Gives redwood appearance to any wood. Samuel Cabot, Inc., 102 Oliver Bldg., Boston, Mass.

MATERIALS OF INSTALLATION

Thermopane Glazing. Metal clip for glazing Thermopane units in standard steel sash when double Thermopane units of slight thickness are used. Also applicable with Thermopane units of increased thickness, with specially punched sash. Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co., Nicholas Bldg., Toledo, Ohio.

Clip-Grip Steel Studs, Clips, and Runners. Fireproof, clip-grip system of partition construction. Clip-grip studs are notched at ceilings and floor lines to accommodate facing material from ½" to ½" thick. Steel floor and ceiling runners, when bolted to floors and ceilings, serve as track for partitions. Neslo Mfg. Corp., 516 5th Ave., New York 18, N. Y.

Veriply Plastic Resin Glue. Waterproof glue for bonding lumber and plywood. Wood-Ply Research Foundation, Inc., 111 W. Monroe St., Chicago 3, Ill.

SANITARY EQUIPMENT

Chrome-Plated Faucet Handle. Fits all diameter valve stems, for standard sinks, baths, and lavatory fixtures. Eliminates need of replacing entire fixture when only handle is needed. Sturgis Plating & Mfg. Co., Sturgis, Mich.

Watrous Flush Valve with Bedpan Drip Receptor. Flush valve with drip receptor for use with bedpan fittings in hospitals. Adjustable for any height above bowl. Protected against backsiphonage and spilling while valve is being flushed. Imperial Brass Mfg. Co., 1200 W. Harrison St., Chicago, Ill.

Germ Killing Light. Germicidal unit used as protector against bacterial and mold contamination; applies ultraviolet rays. Lustra Corp. of America, 40 W. 25th St., New York 10, N. Y.

SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT

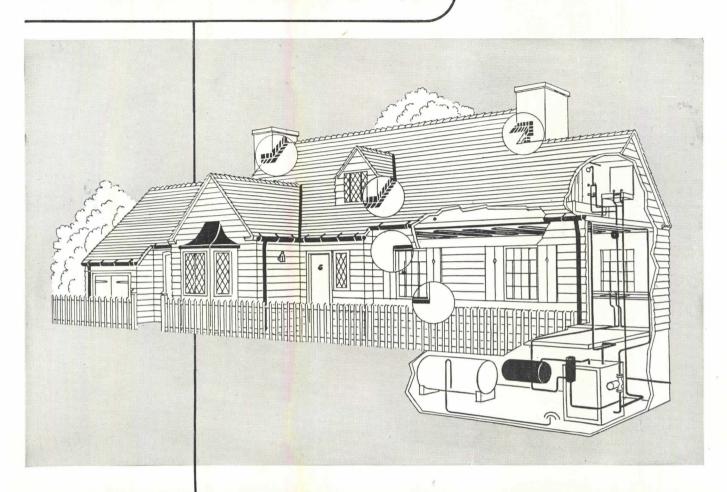
"Albi-R." Fire-retardant paint, forming bubble-mass when exposed to flame which prevents penetration of heat. Said to exceed 20-minute burning test (Fed. Spec. SS-A-118). Applied by brush or spray. Albi Chemical Corp., 9 Park Place, New York, N. Y.

SURFACING

Fiberglas Roofing Material. Glass fiber bonded into a uniform felted mat used as a carrying and reinforcing agent for bitumen in roofing. Unaffected by high temperature applications of bitumen. Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., Toledo, Ohio.

"Flor-Ever" Plastic Floor Covering. Plastic floor covering which eliminates need of waxing and polishing. Felt-backed Vinylite flooring, applied exactly like linoleum. Does not chip or crack; unaffected by alkali; does not support combustion, and resists staining by water and grease. Available in wide range of excellent colors and patterns. Delaware Floor Products, Wilmington, Del.

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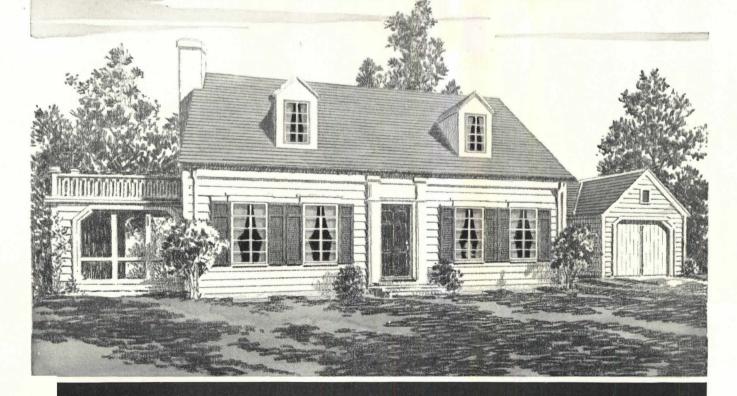
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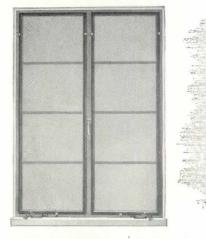
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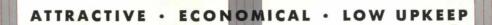
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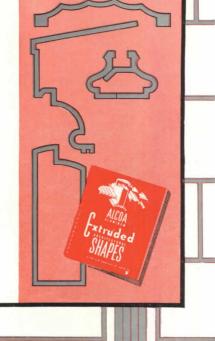
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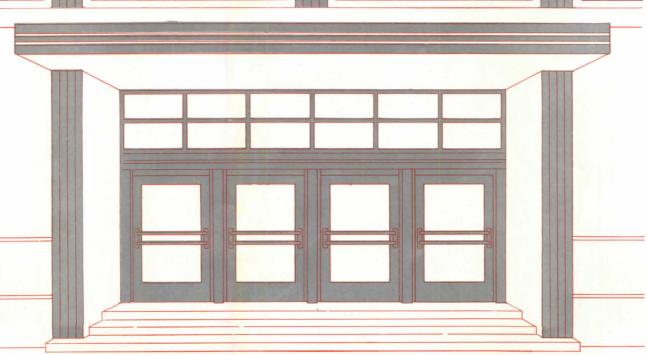
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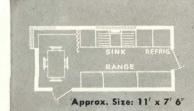




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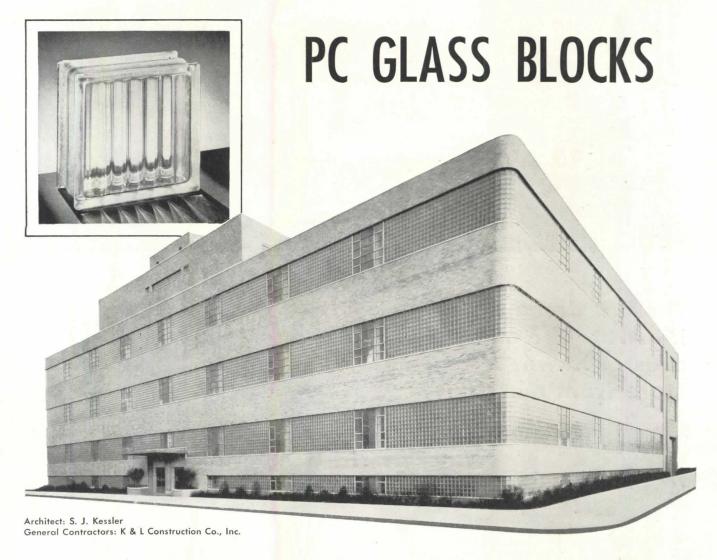
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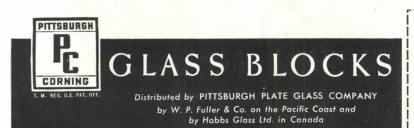
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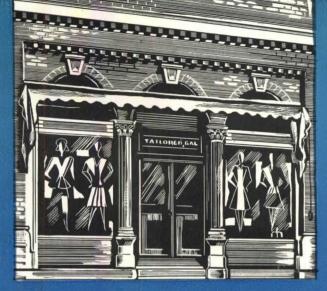
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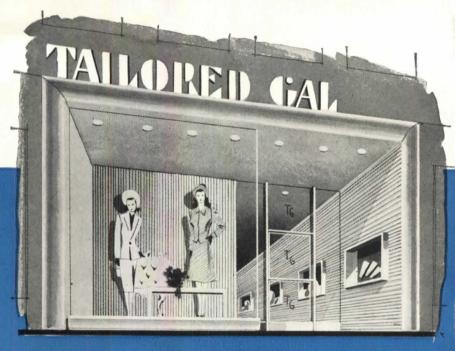
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LIGHTING, COLOR, FURNISHING. "Portfolio" of articles in the May 1947 The Nation's Schools, 919 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 11, Ill.

Classroom Lighting, The Harmon Technique, Mildred Whitcomb. Functionalism with Color, Faber Rirren. Modern Trends in School Lighting, Russell C. Putnam. Safety Through Color, Anthony F. Kimbell.

Gathered in these articles is a good summary of the modern approach to classroom design, centered particularly around the work of D. B. Harmon, who has built a new theory and technique of classroom planning. As director of school services in the Texas State Department of Health, his studies led to the conclusion that the whole body is involved in the process of seeing; that strains resulting from trying to see in a poor visual environment can distort the whole child, his eyes, his muscles, his body structure, his learning. The results of the Texas experiments are familiar and stimulating. They are in line with recent criteria of illuminating engineers regarding "brightness distribution" for visual tasks but, fortunately for us architects, Dr. Harmon's thinking takes in a lot more territory than one field of engineering.

The material of these articles has largely been published before in more technical journals. Harmon's all-over approach is being followed in fields other than schools and may bring about great improvements in office and factory working conditions.

Cafeteria Planning. "Portfolio" of articles in the June 1947 The Nation's Schools, 919 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 11, Ill.

Nine brief articles, all illustrated by views and floor plans, cover several types of school cafeterias, serving from 100 to 1500 meals. Several are combined with the home economics department. The benefits of relating the school lunch program to the community are repeatedly stressed.

Television for Tomorrow's Schools. Edward Stasheff. The Nation's Schools, 919 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 11, Ill. June 1947.

This article by the program director in charge of television for the radio station of the New York Board of Education is concerned mainly with the use of television as an educational medium. Already (by this fall) a dozen stations are active, with many more on the way. Through cooperation with the broadcasters the schools can make civic

events come alive and forums and quiz tournaments between team from different schools can be shared by the entire city's pupils of equivalent grades.

Provisions for television in school construction is very simple: one-inch conduit run from the roof to several "stations" in the building.

FROM OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Solar House Heating-A Problem of Heat Storage, Maria Telkes. Solar Heat Test Structure at M. I. T., F. N. Hollingsworth. Heating and Ventilating, 148 Lafayette St., New York 13, N. Y. May

Long-term storage of solar heat has been shown by previous research at M. I. T. to be uneconomical. Short-term storage, as in the floors of Keck's "Solar" house, can supplement the heating system on sunny days. But a moderate collection temperature is essential for a solar heating system which could replace a conventional system. Data from the U.S. Weather Bureau indicate that relatively short-term heat storage is sufficient for the Boston area.

After analyzing heat storage based on specific heat of water, concrete, etc., Dr. Telkes describes a new method utilizing the heat of fusion of chemical compounds (In this case Glaubers Salts, melting point about 90F). The great advantage is the continued absorption of heat without rise in temperature of the compound. The sun wall heat storage system would consist of a stack of chemical containers behind double glass with an insulating curtain between to be drawn at night for holding the heat, and a heat control device on the inside for disseminating the heat to the room.

A great deal of development work is indicated. Experiments are in progress at M. I. T. to study this and other systems of heating by solar energy alone. Heating analysis indicates that it is entirely feasible in the Boston area where a total heat-storage capacity for nine average days of solar energy should be sufficient.

Shell Concrete Construction. F. S. Snow. The Architects' Journal, 13, Queen Anne's Gate, Westminster, S.W. 1, England. Apr. 24, 1947.

A brief account of concrete shells, both designs and structures. Only uniformly distributed loads can be considered, of course. Great accuracy is required in formwork. The great advantage is conservation of steel and concrete and the light loads resulting with long spans. Architects should find many uses for this type of construction with its distinctive shapes.

How Fire-Safe is a Fireproof Building? John S. Ahern. Engineering News-Record, 330 W. 42nd St., New York 18, N. Y. June 12, 1947.

The tremendous hazard of open stairways and (in older buildings) open elevator shafts makes the elimination of such conditions a "must." And the closures are not so costly; they are rendered ineffective most frequently because they are inconvenient. The other basic requirements for fire-safety are reduction of combustible material, adequate exit facilities, and detection and extinguishing devices. And it's up to the architect to insist on his commercial client building up to safety requirements when building codes do not cover.

Roof Trusses with Welded Joints Tested by Jacking. Engineering News-Record, 330 W. 42nd St., New York 18, N. Y. May 29, 1947.

All-welded trusses of 40 to 50 ft span for the roof of General Electric Company's new electronic devices research and manufacturing center were connected to columns one above the other in pairs and tested by jacking them apart and observing deflections. Joints were whitewashed to show up any cracks which might develop. The trusses performed satisfactorily under test loads, measured deflections conforming closely with computed ones. After these tests general production welding for the entire project was started. The trusses were all flush-bottomed, made up of H-sections, allowing piping and air conditioning ducts to fit into the truss framing. The building is about 300 ft by 730 ft, with most bays 40 ft by 50 ft.

Time Lag in Radiant Heating. Warren E. Wilson. Heating, piping and Air Conditioning, 6 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 2, Ill.

It is shown that the principal factors determining the time lag of a floor panel heating system are the amount of mass below the ducts or pipes carrying the heating medium which respond to changes in temperature of the heating medium, and the temperature of this mass at the beginning of a daily heating

The characteristics of the operation of the radiant floor panel heating system indicate the desirability of continuous operations to maintain constant temperature of the lower mass. Also the use of massive radiant floor panels in "solar construction" is undesirable, since the heating system does not operate during the day, thus permitting cooling of the lower mass.

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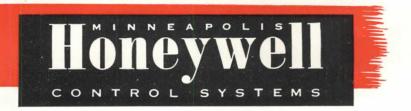
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The Size of Dwellings. A memorandum by Ruth Glass. The Architects' Journal, 13, Queen Anne's Gate, Westminster, S. W. 1, England. Apr. 10, 1947.

The new British housing, so admirably researched and engineered, consists predominantly of 3-bedroom dwellings, yet the predominant family size requires smaller houses and a balanced project should have a variety of sizes in proportion to family size. From this paper, with its well presented distribution

tables, it appears that the British housing program is getting off-balance in a very important particular.

The Use of Aluminum Alloys. E. G. West. Paper read at a meeting of the R.I.B.A. Architectural Science Board. Journal of the Royal Institute of British Architects, 66 Portland Place, London W. 1, England. June 1947.

The tremendous interest in the use of aluminum in building in England since the war suggested this resume of its present status in terms of: (1) characteristics of aluminum and aluminum alloys of special interest to architects; (2) some existing applications of aluminum in building; (3) the present position of new and experimental uses of aluminum in building; (4) points requiring attention when designing in aluminum.

The architectural status of this metal in Britain seems to be much the same as here, with, however, a freer use structurally where the light weight is advantageous. The paper and the subsequent discussion bring out that aluminum must be used structurally in terms of its own properties; that its design is not analogous to steel.

HANDBOOKS, MANUALS

Architectural Metal Handbook. Earl P. Baker and Harold S. Langland. National Association of Ornamental Nonferrous Metal Manufacturers, 209 Cedar Ave., Takoma Park, Washington 12, D. C., 1947. 81/2" x 11", 319 pp., illus. \$5.00

Here is a much-needed comprehensive manual on architectural metal published by the industry as a standard handbook. The information given is remarkably complete, yet so well arranged that information on any particular item is concise and clear. A couple of chapters cover descriptions and properties of the various metals and alloys together with metal working techniques. Then the bulk of the book (about 200 pages) is taken up with drawings and descriptions of architectural metal products; mostly drawings, for the descriptions are brief. Most of the drawings carry a note on what should be specified or shown on details and what is to be considered architectural metal and what is to be covered by other trades. In fact, one of the great benefits of this book is its clarity in defining the boundaries between related trades. Its greatest merit is the great range of items on which precise information is given.

The remainder of the book is taken up with richly informative chapters on metal products related to architectural metal, paints and finishes, specifications, Ornamental Metal Code of Standard Practice, classification of materials, tables of material data, and glossary and index.

Conspicuously lacking is any real discussion of corrosion and electrolysis. Also lacking is any indication of whose products are being illustrated. The book does not replace manufacturers' literature but rather gives the designer a background for the best utilization of manufacturers' literature.

How To Recognize and Control Termites in Illinois. B. G. Berger. Illinois Natural History Survey, Circular 41. Natural History Survey Div., Urbana, Ill. 44 pp., 6" x 9", illus. Feb. 1947.

Very thorough treatise on termite damage and means of prevention and treatment. The many photographs and diagrams apply to termite control anywhere in this country. It is a tricky subject, not to be dispatched by a couple of metal shield details, although adequate detailing and supervision of new construction is the best preventive.

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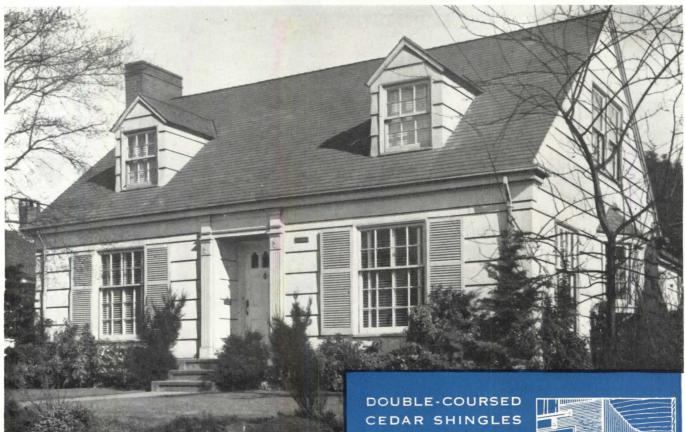
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Reference Manual of Modern Gas Service. Prepared by the American Gas Assn., 420 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y. 8½" x 11" loose-leaf post binder.

Each section (kitchen planning, heating, etc.) of this bulky collection of catalog sheets has an excellent general discussion with data on design, installation, types of system, etc. In this setup the catalog material and text complement each other. It is a method which should be used more generally in presenting technical material.

BOOKS

General Standards of Construction and Equipment. Appendix A from Chapter I of Title 42, Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency. Reprint from Federal Register. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.

Pursuant to the provisions in Public Law 725 (Federal Hospital Survey and Construction Act) the Surgeon General of the U.S. Public Health Service promulgated regulations under which the Act will be administered. Any architect planning or having the prospect of planning a hospital, whose client desires to benefit under this law, should familiarize himself thoroughly with these regulations.

Of particular interest to the architect is Appendix A, which sets forth the standards for planning, construction, and equipment. The Appendix gives both the minimal and desirable standards to insure that the taxpayer's money will be properly employed. The standards do not prevent a community from planning on a higher standard of medical and nursing care if it should desire it.

Appendix A consists of four sections. The first is introductory in nature, while the second deals with site survey and soil investigation. Section III is the most extensive and important, as it deals with the standards of planning and construction. It sets forth in considerable detail programs for general, tuberculosis, mental, psychiatric, and chronic disease hospitals; and or also programs for nurses' homes schools of nursing, public health centers, and public health laboratories. It further deals with finishes, structural codes, and structural, mechanical, electrical, elevator, refrigeration, kitchen, and laundry installations. The last part of this section deals with the preparation of plans, specifications, and estimates. This is most important to the architect as it recommends for his guidance the desirable submissions and the degree of development and content of the documents at each submission, so as to standardize procedures for the benefit of all concerned.

The fourth section deals with equipment under three headings. Under the first heading comes built-in equipment to be included in construction contracts. The other two take up movable, depreciable, and non-depreciable equipment. The architect will, of course, be primarily concerned with the built-in equipment.

The above standards were worked out with great care and with the advice of public bodies like the American Hospital Association, National Tuberculosis Association, American Psychiatric Association, etc. Nevertheless, it should be observed that the standards are seldom mandates. Quite often they are "desirable but not mandatory," and frequently latitude is afforded in their application to the end of providing adequate medical services, economical operation, and maintenance.

The above should dispel any fears that the standards are just another stifling instrumentality. They are not a Congressional act, correspondingly difficult to budge. They are the creation of an agency (under the law) which has long enjoyed the respect of most peoplethe United States Public Health Service. It is already evident that when necessary they can be amended without moving heavy artillery. Extensive amendments are even now in preparation.1 From personal experience I can

Amendments to Appendix A, Title 42, Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency, July 16, 1947.

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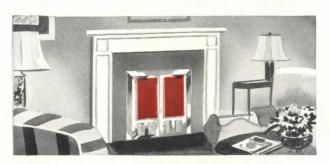
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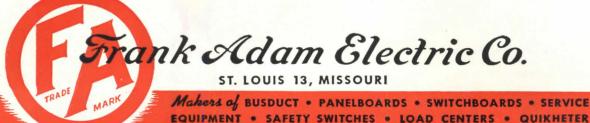
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role, and the nation will go far toward acquiring adequate health facilities.

ISADORE ROSENFIELD

PRECISE, RESTRAINED

Ung Dansk Arkitektur (Young Danish Architecture) 1930-1945. Helge Finsen. Schoenbergske Publishers, 3 Landemaekert, Copenhagen, Denmark, 1947. 211 pp., Danish text; 17 pp., English summary; illus.

A vital architectural movement was inaugurated in Denmark following the 1930 Stockholm exhibition at which the functionalism of Le Corbusier was formally introduced into the Scandinavian

countries. This movement manifested many of the features of the International School. "Nevertheless, some specific Danish features can easily be discerned, the most conspicuous being a certain mental equilibrium, a distaste for the highflown, even embarrassment in the expression of emotion-receptiveness combined with independence. This characteristic balance of mind is at once the nation's strength and its weakness, combining a gift for simplicity and clarity with a lack of imagination and of a sense of the sublime."

The photographs of Danish work reproduced emphasize clean, precise, restrained architectural effects, generally characteristic of Scandinavian work. Insofar as the single photographs at small scale permit judgment, some of the buildings pictured would be outstanding anywhere: house at Rungsted by Frits Schlegel; house at Anchersvej and apartment house Ordrupvei 70 by Mogens Lassen; Town Hall at Aarhus by Arne Jacobsen and Erik Moeller; Town Hall for Soelleroed Kommune. Holte, by Arne Jacobsen and Fleming Lassen; Town Hall and Sportshal at Gladsaxe and Radiohuset, Rosenoerns Allé, Copenhagen, by Vilhelm Lauritzen; apartment house, Vestersoegade, Copenhagen, by Kay Fisker and C. F. Moeller; and the interiors of Biografteater, Skive, by H. Toft-Hansen, and Council Chamber in Town Hall, Holte, by Jacobsen and Lassen.

Such design factors as function, composition, rhythm of facade are briefly discussed in the English summary; also building materials, residential town planning, terraces, flats, detached houses, schools, auditoriums, public buildings, and structures for industry, business, agriculture. In the Danish text these subjects are considered more fully and more information of a general nature is offered for nontechnical read-

English legends for the pictures, in addition to the Danish, would be helpful. The literary style of the English summary merits commendation.

LAWRENCE E. MAWN

RECENT ENGLISH ARCHITECTURE, 1920-1940

Published by Country Life Ltd., 2-10 Tavistock St., London W.C. 2, England, for the Architecture Club, 1947. (To be republished later this year by Charles Scribner's Sons, 597 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.)

This is an exhibition in book form of photogenic buildings selected for conservatives. It is much less like the Museum of Modern Art's recent Built in U. S. A. than Town and Country's One Hundredth Anniversary Issue (there are three large country houses by Sir Edwin Lutyens which show his sensitive and reticent handling of traditional forms). It is an English counterpart to something the National Acad-

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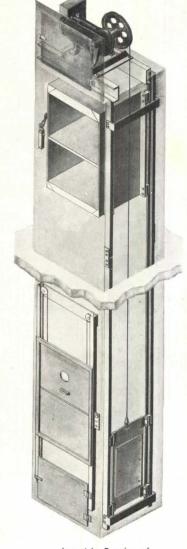
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emy of Design might have sponsored in this country; that is, Coolidge, Shepley, Bulfinch & Abbot would be more conspicuous than Skidmore, Owings & Merrill. Hence we have Sir Giles Gilbert Scott and E. Grey Wornum well represented, but only one or two buildings by Tecton, Nicholson, and Fry.

We in this country are more familiar with English domestic than public building, so it comes as a surprise to see distinguished public buildings such as the Greenwich Town Hall. The ecclesiastical buildings range from the familiar Liverpool Cathedral to the dramatic Church of St. Saviour at Eltham. Schools, stations, banks, and some flats are also shown.

Two large buildings, the London Passenger Transport Building and the University of London, both by Adams, Holden & Pearson, in which the multistory masses are derived from American skyscrapers, lack decision, clarity, and life. There is perhaps too great an effort to be monumental at an unfamiliar scale. This is a criticism which non-Britons have always leveled at English efforts to design large public buildings. The compensating virtue of John Bull's architecture is the finelywrought, thoughtfully studied detail of most of the examples illustrated here. We seem by comparison to have never had time for such meticulous refinement in texture and scale.

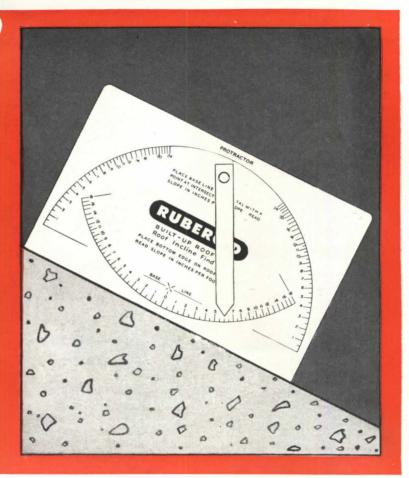
The medium-sized houses illustrated are inferior to the equivalent American product, since they tend to be stiff, blank, and angular, which qualities are emphasized by the lack of even minimal planting.

With the single exception of Laughing. Water, a roadhouse at Cobham by Clough Williams-Ellis, there are no playful or light touches such as Tecton has done so brilliantly in zoos. The Comet Roadhouse near Barnet by Musman is described as "carrying on the Pickwickian tradition of the coaching inn, cheerful and solid." I beg to disagree; it is too, too solid, like the administration building of a large industrial plant.

There is a consistent attempt to support the emphasis on national tradition stressed in the introduction. I wonder what the national tradition really is, medieval or Georgian? Does it include Albi (plate 38) and cubism (plate 58)? Perhaps it is a more fundamental attitude such as sound scholarship, or excellence of workmanship. Bows to tradition are made by the misuse of porticos, as in the Town Hall at Dagenham and the City Hall at Norwich. In both the porticos appear irrelevant, inadequate, and artificial. We have come a long way in the last decade and even

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a layman must smile at the feebleness of these genuflections toward the academy. In one case the main block of the building slides along behind the columns without so much as a molding to show that the portico has come to rest somewhere in front of it. In the other, the columns, imported from Gothenburg, suggest that the scaffolding has not yet been cleared away.

Since portable exhibitions of this kind may become more numerous, it is worth while considering whether this one will accomplish the purpose intended. People will look at these pictures as they look at LIFE, but they will not be "using their eyes, understanding what they see . . . or "able to criticize intelligently" unless more guidance and stimulation are provided. There is very little text, exceedingly brief captions, no dates, no plans, no drawings, no information (Did this building survive the blitz?) -merely fifty-odd photographs of exteriors and ten of interiors. Such captions as the following will not breed up a race of critics: Plate 1, "A successful application of modern idiom to a public building conceived in the classical manner"; Plate 5, "An interior producing an impressive effect largely by simple treatment and good proportions" (What are good proportions?); Plate 22, "A free handling of Georgian suavity for a building essentially modern and utili-tarian in purpose." This might be considered a suave way to beg the question, but are we out to make fun or to influence people?

C. L. V. MEEKS

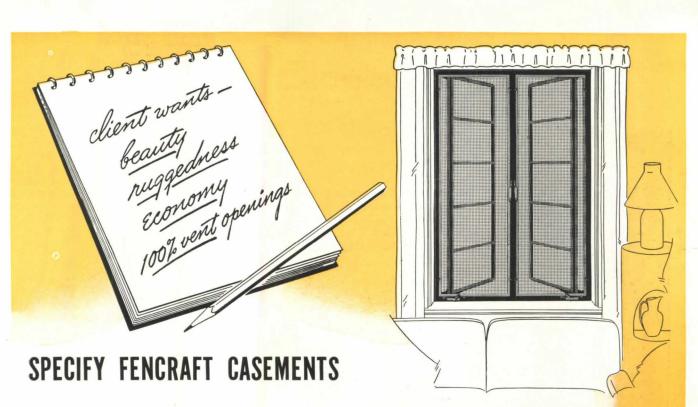
PATRICK GEDDES IN INDIA

Edited by Jaqueline Tyrwhitt, in co-operation with H. V. Lanchester and Arthur Geddes. Introduction by Lewis Mumford. Lund, Humphries & Co., Ltd., 12 Bedford Square, London W.C. 1, England, 1947. 103 pp., illus. 10 shil-

It has become commonplace to refer to Patrick Geddes as a planner and as a social critic; it is uncommon to find someone who has actually read anything Geddes wrote. This attractive little book, in presenting portions of the many reports on towns in India principally prepared between 1914 and 1919, makes it possible to discover his main contributions to the thinking about city planning as well as his prejudices.

The argument for the "diagnostic survey," now so generally accepted, is presented as simply as it has ever been done. (In these reports Geddes was writing for groups and individuals who had to be educated from the ground up.) It is interesting to note that his defense of "conservative surgery"-demolition of the worst structures, open-

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ing of irregular streets, and preservation or even formation of open spaces where shrines or wells existed, instead of hacking a gridiron of new thoroughfares through the town—is thoroughly consistent with Sitte's earlier call for broken streets and open plazas.

Geddes detested "planners" of the Robert Moses type: he mentions a case where a city engineer reported to him that "as both water and drainage schemes are in contemplation, the city must deny itself the luxury of city planning." He concludes that "the policy of sweeping clearances should be recognized for what I believe it is; one of the most disastrous and pernicious blunders in the chequered history of sanitation."

Geddes believed firmly in maintaining regional and even local character and accommodating natural customs. Yet he realized that "there must be no mere sentimental renewals of village customs now obsolete, or of artistic embellishments now outworn." Thirty years later, that lesson has still not been T. H. C.

THE PREFABRICATED HOUSE

Raymond K. Graff, Rudolph A. Matern, Henry Lionel Williams. Doubleday & Co., Inc., Garden City, N. Y., 1947. 7" x 10", 132 pp., illus., index. \$2.75

Aimed at the consumer, this book calls itself, "A Practical Guide for the Prospective Buyer." Written in an easy, diffuse style, it contains a lot of information about houses in general and how to approach their planning (from the owner's point of view) and gives, at least by implication, a great many more reasons for hiring an architect than for buying a prefab. The book is full of warnings, particularly as to what the customer is getting for his money and how much has to be done before delivery and after assembly on the site.

For one seeking specific guidance, the information given is general to the point of exasperation. According to the jacket blurbs all the buyer's basic questions are answered, whereas the book mainly poses questions (and poses them very well, we must admit). If it were titled, "An Introduction to The Prefabricated House," we could recommend it. Perhaps the publishers insisted on the authoritative subtitle?

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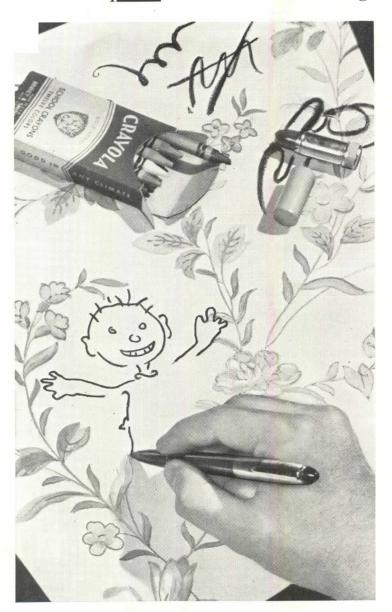
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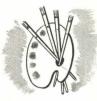
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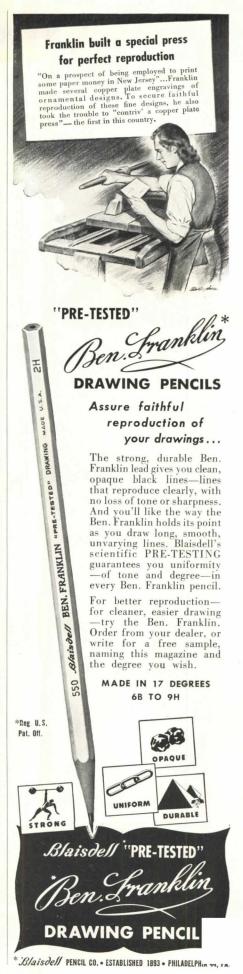
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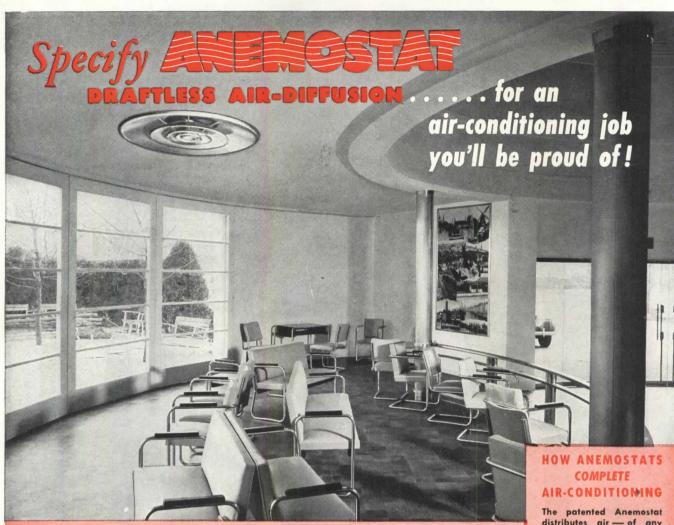
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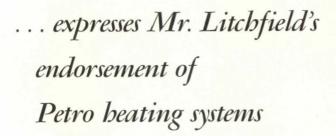
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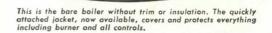


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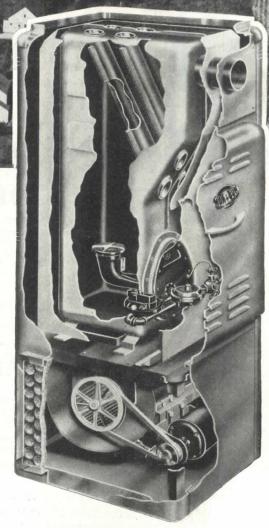


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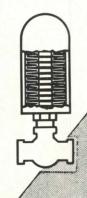
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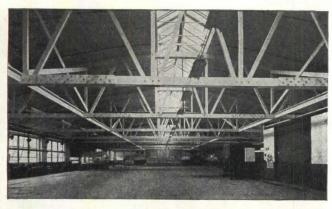
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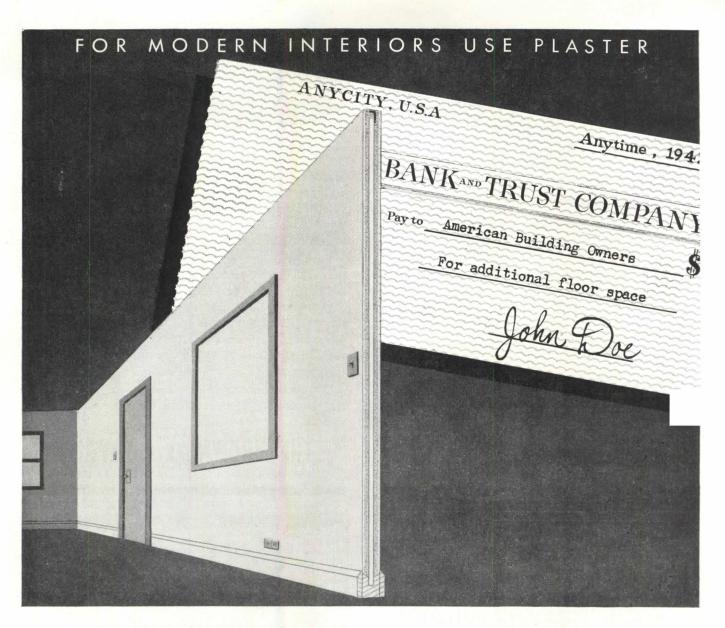
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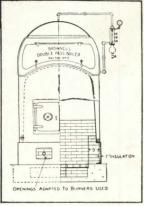
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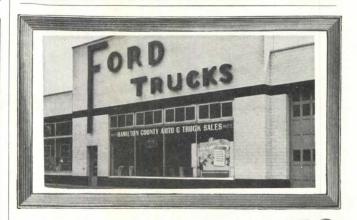
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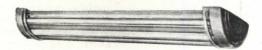
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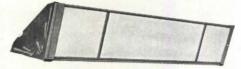
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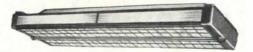
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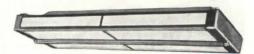
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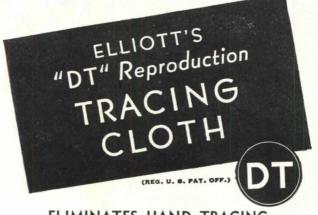
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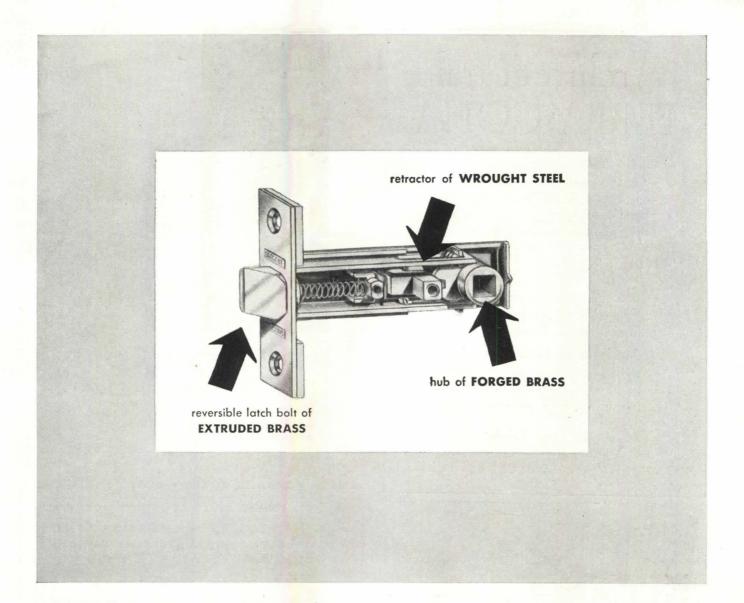
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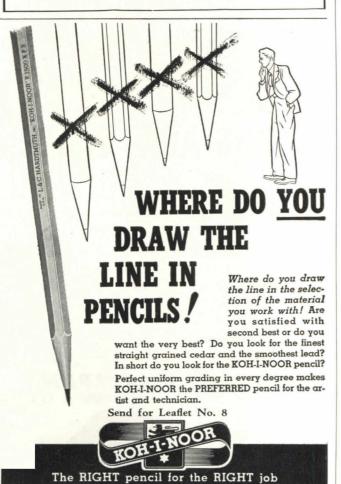
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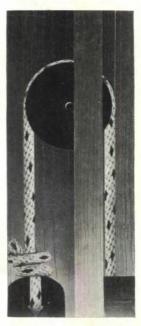
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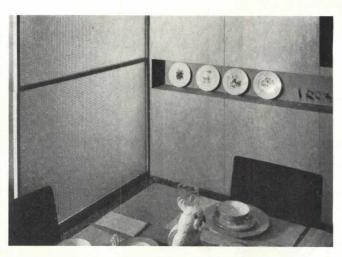
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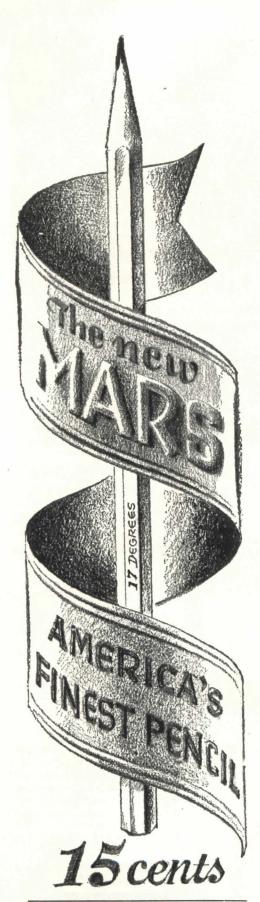
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WHO SAYS ARCHITECTS CAN'T TAKE CRITICISM? I saw a student project from V.P.I. judged by a group of Virginia architects, and then was astonished to see the architects offer a sampling of their work to be criticized by the students. I think this may be more than an amusing idea. It should be profitable to both masters and tyros; certainly the students in this case took the job very seriously.

I WISH MORE ARCHITECTS COULD MAKE THE PROPER DISTINCTION AMONG (A) PUBLICITY, (B) PUBLIC RELATIONS, (C) PUBLIC EDUCATION, AND (D) PROFES-SIONAL EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION. The confusion about the purpose of these various activities does a lot of harm, and stands in the way of much good that might be accomplished.

Publicity is a business activity. By definition, it is information appearing in public print, to advance the interests of a given person. It is made difficult, but by no means impossible, because of the antipathy to professional advertising. It is usually an individual matter, but at times proper ethical publicity, to gain more business, may be done by professional societies. Various newspapers and magazines directed toward client groups will accept stories, if they are properly prepared, which over a period of time will result in more com-

Public relations activities have a longrange value in a business sense, but in their immediate application should simply raise architects as a group (and architecture as a product) in the public esteem. Serving on civic committees, participation in community activities, professional activities which don't pay off today or tomorrow and may help fellow architects as much as yourselfthese things are for the purpose of establishing a friendly, understanding relationship with the public.

PUBLIC EDUCATION IS MUCH MORE TRICKY. Frankly, I don't know many architects I'd trust with the job, until they had prepared themselves carefully. It's a matter of understanding completely what architecture is, forgetting the technical and professional jargon, and transmitting this knowledge to generally uninterested lay people. It is a dangerous activity because few of us are trained teachers; explaining residential design to the Thursday Afternoon Women's Club is just as difficult as a schoolmarm's job in teaching plane geometry to high school kids. The

wrong approach can do irreparable harm, and yet the job is very important. There must be more speaking, more writing in popular magazines, and more "appreciation" courses in the schools, by architects, for lay people. If public relations activity is long-term publicity, public education is long-term public relations. One architect I know traces several of his most interesting commissions to the spreading influence of a one-semester course he gave in the local high school on architecture and town planning.

Russel Guerne de Lappe, of Berkeley, California, writes of another interesting experience. After speaking before a high school class on the subject of architecture, he asked each student to write him a letter telling what his conception of an architect had been before the talk, and what his revised estimate was.

A number of students gained knowledge of the social responsibility of an architect. One wrote: "Previous to your talk I thought an architect just designed houses and went ahead and built them (with the help of carpenters). But after your talk I had a different idea. He not only designs houses, but buildings that are to be used by the public. He plans how certain things will help people and communities and also tries to keep things that hinder communities away from them."

Many at least gained understanding of the amount of work involved in design. For instance, a student wrote: "At first I thought that all an architect did was to draw up plans and sell them. Now I see that besides that you must go through so much more work, and some of the work needs so much research and detail. I now realize that an architect's life is really a hard one."

THESE THINGS-PUBLICITY, PUBLIC RELA-TIONS, PUBLIC EDUCATION - ARE ALL BASED ON CONTACT WITH THE PUBLIC. The fourth activity is (or should be) intra-professional. As an architect, I hate to see public contact muffed. As an editor, it annoys me to find architects confusing publicity with their own professional growth. In the medical profession, the discoverer or the developer of a new therapy is anxious to spread word of it, in a technical sense. to his confrères, for the good of the practice of medicine. What publicity

he may get, in the popular press, is something else again.

In architecture this distinction is, unfortunately, seldom true. We on Pro-GRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE write, edit, and publish for those engaged in the practice of architecture. That's why we've been able to develop the Critique, as a professional analysis of outstanding work. Yet we get work submitted with a covering letter reading, "My client and I would like publicity on the enclosed job. Can you publish it in an early issue?"

Whereupon we yawn and go back to reading Astragal's column in The Architects' Journal. We aren't interested. If the architect concerned wants publicity, we'll advise him on how to go about getting it, ethically and efficiently-if his work deserves it. On the other hand, if he wants professional publication, if he's filled with the warm feeling of pride that comes when you've done something you're so proud of that you want to show it and tell about it to your fellow designers, all over the United States and Possessions, Canada, and Pan American Union (\$2.00 extra for each year in all other countries), then we'll put away our marbles and talk seriously about publication. I think that is the role of the technical press, as distinguished from the consumer press. A surprisingly large number of architects fail to make the distinction.

If anyone wants, I can recommend several good publicity agents. On the other hand, I can recommend a good professional magazine. Don't press me; we're very shy here.

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And then we have a statement of prices from another photographer which reads, "If clouds are desired in the print . . . \$1.50 extra." I'm not sure whether that quotation is per cloud or for a whole bank.

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