A conventional cementitious mortar with polymeric additives may also be used. Blocks are compaction molded and heat-cured. The end product has an inherent black color, not unattractive, which, if the block is well made, will weather evenly to a slate gray. Surfaces require 50% less paint than porous concrete block, the company claims, and need only one coat of gypsum plaster.

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Because of the controversy surrounding the early design, the GSA appointed a three-man panel to review the revised design. The panel, consisting of Arthur Gould Odell, Jr., James M. Hunter, and A. Grant Fordyce, was unanimous in its approval. Fordyce made this comment: "Seldom have I seen a design, which was a compromise of too many opinions, suddenly achieve an integrity all of its own. I believe that you now have a superior building. . . . This is a good demonstration of the integrity and persistence of the architects to solve the problem. . . . The relationship to the Mall is excellent."

According to the GSA, construction should begin in August 1967, with full occupancy expected in February 1970. In all, the 1,565,000-sq-ft project will cost a total of about $40 million.

**BILLBOARDS THRIVE ON CRITICISM**

Almost nobody likes billboards except the people who own them and the people who advertise on them. That seems to be enough. In the face of mounting private and public criticism of billboards, the billboard industry announced a 3% increase in gross revenues so far this year. With a healthy income of $221,500,000 this year, the industry talks of preparing for lean years, as fear of increasing regulations mounts. Obviously nothing succeeds like unpopularity.

**COMMUNICATIONS/LECTURE HALL: NEW DIRECTION FOR MASS EDUCATION**

**STONY BROOK, N.Y. Underway**

On the campus of the State University at Stony Brook is this lecture hall building, the first of a two-building complex that will also include a communications center. The two structures, both designed by Meathe Kessler & Associates of Grosse Point, Mich., will form a focal point for one section of the campus. They are part of a continuing State University expansion program that will spend a projected total of $1,300,000,000 on 31 sites throughout New York State.

The lecture hall building, and 12 somewhat similar accommodations on other campuses (the first is being used this fall at the University at Buffalo), are the outgrowth of a study on classrooms done by Allen Green and Morton Gassman under a grant from the Ford Foundation’s Educational Facilities Laboratory. It will contain 12 lecture halls and two classrooms, grouped, in this case, around a central lounge area, and will be used by all the academic disciplines located in this general area of the campus. Most of these rooms will contain windows for rear-projection movies or TV showings. When completed in 1968, 1,300 students will be able to attend lectures at one time.

The building is a two-story, windowless, monolithic structure whose concrete base and walls were cast in place over a metal grid of repeated diamond patterns, which are nailed to wooden forms. Once the concrete had hardened, the grid was hammered out of the concrete, giving the façade a patterned texture.

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the lecture hall below grade. "Communications" as taught at Stony Brook will emphasize television. The building will house TV studios, darkrooms, and facilities for originating telecasts to be carried by closed circuit to other buildings on campus, and, eventually, to other campuses in the state system. Also included will be audio-visual studios and facilities for arranging and processing film strips and slide shows.

Within eight years' time, the State University expects a total student enrollment of between 184,000 and 260,000. Eleven thousand of these will be on the Stony Brook campus.

**ARK-ITECTURE**

HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. "And God said to Noah . . . 'Make yourself an ark of gopher wood; make rooms in the ark and cover it inside and out with pitch. This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits, its breadth fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. Make a roof for the ark and finish it to a cubit above; and set the door of the ark in its side; make it with a lower, a second, and third deck.'" The Lord was fairly specific in granting Noah one of the world's most prestigious commissions. But when 20th Century Fox set out to build a replica of the ark, for its film *The Bible*, which had its world premiere in New York on September 28, they were baffled; for no plans have survived the centuries. The ark they constructed adhered to the original only in spirit. Actually, five arks were built, the largest of these, measuring 200' long, 64' wide, and 50' high, was put up on the back lot of the Rome studio of Dino De Laurentis, the film's producer. These measurements made it less than half as long as the original, which measured 500' long, 83' wide, and 50' high; Noah's ark was the largest ship built until the Germans launched the five-master "The Preussen" in 1902.

Art Director Mario Chiari, who has an architectural degree from the University of Florence, based his design of the ark on the pictures of the earliest boats found on friezes and tombs in the Middle East. But he conceived the ark as growing quite literally out of the leaves and trees of the forest in which it was built. And although it has gracefully curved lines, it is crudely built, because Noah had no experience as a shipbuilder.

The largest of the four smaller arks was built for interior shots. As Noah had been instructed, it was three stories high, with individual
pens ("nests") for the animals. A great ramp circled the interior of the 68'-high model, so Noah and his family could tend their menagerie. Structured entirely of undressed tree trunks and limbs, its only concession to technology was a ceiling-high well with an automatic elevator, to lift di-

MODERN PRAIRIE CATHEDRAL

ROCKFORD, ILL. So far, four years of design planning have gone into the proposed cathedral for the Rockford Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church. Most of the work has centered on the preparation of a plan that would fit the revised liturgy, and the architect — Brother Cajetan J. B. Baumann — and his staff have prepared a 15-page Liturgical Brief, developed from research into current and historic documents on church buildings.

Brother Cajetan's design gives the cathedral a strikingly contemporary facade, one which he thinks not only appropriate but mandatory. "A cathedral in any historic style, as was the custom until very recently, should be absolutely out of the question," he states. "No, not a Byzantine style, not a Gothic style, nor a Renaissance style, because these were the modern styles of their day — the 7th, 12th, and 15th Centuries. We are in the 20th Century and the church deserves better than a second-hand use of the great efforts of another century."

Located on a prominent, partly wooded site, the cathedral will open onto a broad atrium, thought of as an area of repose from which one enters. No roads will cut in front of it. Both to provide a distinct setting and to define the area clearly, the cathedral will be set on a low, pedestal-like platform. A series of steps lead into the low-ceileded baptistry, which in turn opens onto the ambulatory and the major space of the church (some 96' at its highest point above the raised altar). Here, as Brother Cajetan points out, approximately 1400 parishioners can surround the "bishop in the midst of the church as he opens his mouth in speech and feeds his flock with teaching and with the Eucharist bread."

On the exterior, the church roof flows down from a central arch 135' high. Sixteen ribs of reinforced concrete will support the fluted roof elements, and both the concrete and the brick bearing walls will be exposed inside and out. Slanting to the ground behind the arch, the south wall will have 17 folds. A row of overhead windows surrounds the main section of the cathedral and a series of skylights are cut into each of the folds of the south wall.

Budget for the cathedral is $2 million. Raymond F. Pavia is associate architect.

THE SEASON IS ART

UNIVERSITY PARK, PA. Edward A. Adams, associate professor of art at the Pennsylvania State University, spent five years perfecting a wind structure — a tower of 81 polished aluminum rods arranged in two concentric circles, anchored at the base and open at the top. Although he has only a 12' model now, he envisions a wind tower rising 40' swaying in the breeze. "The idea of the wind structure occurred to me when I was asked by a church group to design a bell tower," Adams explains. "From the beginning, I felt that sound could inherently be a part of the tower, but it was not clear to me how it could be done." The sounds that come from Adams' tower would depend on the strength of the wind, and he is considering trying to control these sounds by varying the length of the tubes.

NEW YORK, N.Y. As a little girl, Ruth Maria Kilby was fascinated by light coming through bits of colored glass. She still is. But since about 1946, she has indulged this fascination by fashioning picture-sized paintings in fused glass. The photograph above, while showing some of the variations in texture and brightness seen in her creations, gives none of the depth and richness and, of course, none of the color. Working directly in glass, without the aid of preliminary sketches, she builds layer by layer, using a sometimes bewildering array of shapes and sizes — chunks of glass, strips of glass, sheets of glass, chips of glass, crushed glass. Although her early work was representational, mostly landscape, it is now entirely abstract. All pictures are back-lighted. Her work is on display through October 22 at New York's Bodley Gallery.

NEW YORK, N.Y. Don S. Lewis is an art gallery owner in Norfolk, Va., who is also an artist. Last month, Manhattan's Galerie Internationale displayed a collection of Lewis' work. He works in structural materials — metal, plaster, concrete, wood — and gives many of his "cloutages," as he calls them, a patina of colored,
ARCHITECTS' TOURS TO THE MIDDLE EAST

"Visit the cradle of our civilization," says the travel brochure. And that is what participants in the Architects Grand Air Treks will do during the fall and winter. The tours, whose itineraries will include Athens, Cairo, Beirut, Damascus, Jerusalem, Bagdad, Luxor, and Aswan, have scheduled departure dates of October 28 and December 16, 1966, and January 27, February 24, and March 31, 1967. United States Travel Agency, Inc., who are arranging the tours, points out that the trips have tax-deductible features for members of the architectural and construction fraternities, in that the tours include a visit to the Aswan High Dam and present the opportunities to meet architects in the various countries. Each touring group will be accompanied by an architectural historian. For further information write: United States Travel Agency Inc., 807 15th Street, N.W., Washington 5, D.C.

COMMUNITY PLANNERS MUST REGISTER IN MICHIGAN

LANING, MIC. During the summer, Michigan became the second state in the Union to require the registration of anyone who wishes to use the title of "Professional Community Planner" or "Community Planner." The Michigan law is not as tough as the one passed recently in New Jersey. For one thing, it does not prohibit anyone from doing planning work; he merely cannot use the title "Community Planner" without risking a fine of not more than $500 or up to 90 days in jail, or both. For another thing, although the law calls for a registration examination, anyone who has done planning work for six years (up to four of which may be accounted for by academic degrees) can register within the next two years without taking the exam. Furthermore, the act prohibits anyone registered as a community planner from practicing architecture, engineering, or land surveying unless registered.

VICTORIAN RENAISSANCE

CAPE MAY, N.J. In 1960, the population of this small resort town on the Jersey coast was 4,477. This was not much more than it had been 10 years earlier, and it has not changed much in the last six. But despite its lack of size, Cape May contains one of the largest assemblages of Victorian architecture in the U.S.

As early as the last part of the 19th Century it was a fashionable resort, but in the intervening years many of the older structures there have deteriorated sadly. The rundown house shown (1) was once a guest house for the Stockton Hotel, and in the 1890's rented for the season for $2,000. When the hotel was torn down in 1910, these houses were sold to private owners, and are today in various states of repair.

Under a broad urban renewal program — the Victorian Village Renewal Project — initiated by concerned citizens and backed by the Federal Government, work is now underway weeding out buildings found structurally unsound and restoring buildings that have historical or architectural significance. All work follows a master plan drawn up by planning consultants Kendree & Shepherd of Philadelphia.

As a first step, the city's Urban Renewal Agency undertook several surveys. One reviewed the historical significance of each structure in the area. Another investigated structural conditions, made suggestions about specific repairs, and estimated costs. Finally, families living in the area were consulted about preferences and finances, and sketches and floor plans were drawn to illustrate changes and costs.

When the project has been completed, one street will have been turned into a pedestrian mall, a new library will have been built (2), parking will have been provided on the area's periphery, and many homes and several hotels will have been rehabilitated.

Already several homes have been restored (3, 4), and a shopping center constructed on cleared land. A competition is also under way for a motel.

OBITUARY

Carroll Louis Vanderslice Meeks, professor of architecture and art history at Yale University, died in late August in New Haven. He was 59. Meeks, who had degrees from both Yale and Harvard, spent his entire teaching career at Yale, and is credited with much of the development of the School of Art and Archi-
CHARLOTTE IS PRACTICAL ABOUT HER BEAUTY AIDS

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treated for preservation. Completion of the entire fort is scheduled for 1967.

Paul Mitchell, a Latrobe, Pa., architect, is local representative for Stotz, Hess, & MacLachlan. The contractor is Moyher & Schultz.

THE DESIGNING CINICIS

Behruz Cinici, who are supervising construction. One of several buildings now in use is the School of Architecture (shown), which provides classrooms, offices, library, and auditorium for 600 students and faculty. From any one point on the outside, it is impossible to read the building as a totality; it is a multi-faceted structure whose constituent parts and details only reveal themselves gradually as the viewer moves around it. On the interior, the floor plans consist of many cul-de-sacs sprouting from a central finger of courtyard, entrance hall, and faculty offices. Writing of the building, the German magazine Baumeister commented: “The construction of the School of Architecture is perhaps so interesting because here the additive principle has been carried much further than it was by Paul Rudolph in his architecture building at Yale University. There, too, the outer structure is a mountain of layers, cuts into the surface, etc., and the inner construction is equally labyrinthine, but a labyrinth made of a sequence of coherent rooms. On the contrary, in Ankara, single rooms hang on the end of this net of halls; everything works like a centrifugal system of dead ends connected to the outer world by the thin thread of the main entrance.” Yet the plan in Ankara is much more logical than the one at Yale, the spaces more open, while being equally full of surprises; on the other hand, the exterior concrete work is less plastic, more repetitively rigid.

Behruz Cinici is a 34-year-old architect trained at the Technical University in Istanbul. His projects include shopping centers in Ankara and Istanbul, a business center, and two large office buildings. Although attracted by design rationalism, Cinici expresses himself in buildings that are far from static; and although his heritage is Eastern, his style is heartily Western.

ANKARA, TURKEY. In 1923, when Kemal Ataturk, the founder of modern Turkey, made Ankara the capital of Turkey, it was a small town of about 25,000 persons, clustered around a fortress. It now has 800,000 inhabitants, who are more attuned to the theaters, concert halls, and opera in the city than to the citadel, which still stands above it.

With the construction of the Middle East Technical University on open land outside the city, Ankara gains a valuable cultural addition.

GLENDALE, CALIF. Probably the most striking aspects of the recently completed Municipal Services Building here are the four massively spreading pylons that hold it 21' above street level. At the same time, this stilts-like arrangement merely lets a passer-by see beneath the building to parking lots and streets beyond. The landscaped interior courtyard, which, with its elaborate fountain, might have alleviated this view, is sunken below grade. From a distance, the three upper levels, with their white concrete precast curtain wall panels, may be striking enough to hold one’s attention. Taken by itself, the building, and is especially appropriate in its striking design, for it will house city departments whose responsibilities include...
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### ARCHITECT HERO OF TV SERIES

NEW YORK, N.Y. With the advent of the new television season, only one regularly scheduled series has an architect as its star. It is ABC's "Love on a Rooftop," starring Peter Deuel as the "apprentice architect" and Judy Carne as his pixie-like wife. In the opening episode, the architect meets his wife-to-be by dropping his ham sandwich from the second story of a construction job into her pocketbook ("Pardon me, you have my lunch"). Once married, they take up residence on the top floor of a San Francisco building, in an apartment with no windows. This lack of architectural perception is covered by a story line that ignores architecture and makes the "apprentice architect" into the earnest befuddled male that all TV husbands must be.

### AWARDS GO TO SEVEN MEDICAL CLINICS

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. Seven medical clinics were honored for their architecture last month in an awards program sponsored jointly by the AIA and the American Association of Medical Clinics. It was the first time such a program had been held; and because the building type — a structure designed for the group practice of at least seven physicians — is relatively new, medical clinics built in the U.S. since 1960 were eligible. The McFarland Clinic in Ames, Iowa, won the only First Honor Award. It was designed by Crites & McConnell of Cedar Rapids for the group practice of 20 doctors. In part, the jury comment said: "The well-organized plan is particularly noteworthy for the efficient arrangement of the central core of laboratories and services with the offices and laboratories around the perimeter. Each office looks upon a private and pleasant terrace, which adds interest by light and shade to the exterior design."

Six other clinics received Awards of Merit. These are: the Kelsey-Leary Seybold Clinic in Houston, Texas, designed by Wilson, Morris, Crain & Anderson of Houston; the Samuell Clinic in Dallas, Texas, designed by Tie Davis-J. Murray Smith of Dallas; the Sunnyvale Medical Clinic of Sunnyvale, Calif., designed by William L. Carmen of Palo Alto, Calif.; the Lakeshore Medical Clinic of Kirkland, Wash., designed by Cummings & Martenson of Kirkland; Putnam Professional Park, Mahopac, N.Y., designed by Lee Harris Pomeroy of New York City; and the Community Health Foundation, Cleveland, Ohio, by Robert A. Little & George F. Dalton & Associates of Cleveland.

Jurors for the program were Charles M. Nes, Jr., AIA president; Francis D. Lethbridge, Washington, D.C. architect; and Dr. Bliss B. Clark, director of the New Britain (Conn.) General Hospital.

### PERSONALITIES

The last two Presidential appointees to the top-level staff of HUD are Don Hummel and H. Ralph Taylor, Assistant Secretaries for Renewal and Housing Assistance, and Demonstrations and Intergovernmental Relations, respectively. Hummel's post covers loans for rehabilitation, housing for the aged and handicapped and college housing. He will also be responsible for urban and community improvement programs, relocation standards, and coordination of social service activity programs. Taylor will administer the Demonstration Cities program and coordinate comprehensive planning techniques, codes and zoning, training programs, and intergovernmental relations.

Charles Luckman has been elected to the National Board of Governors of the Library of Presidential Papers in New York. The library, founded only last year, is intended to encourage young people to enter politics by making available to students all obtainable papers, books, films, and other types of material pertaining to U.S. Presidents, past and present. The privately supported

than most conventional furniture does. They are, in addition, decorative, or at least eye-catching.

"What about comfort?" some old grouch might ask. Sitting on a glass-fiber form may not be as comfortable as sitting on, say, a live Rubens model. Swenson, who makes his chairs in his garage, acknowledges this comfort gap. He has plans for switching to foam rubber.

### P/A DESIGN AWARDS JURY MEETS

NEW YORK, N.Y. For two days, September 19 and 20, five jurors pored over 650 entries in P/A's Fourteenth Annual Design Awards Program. This year's jurors were: David Cranston, Edward Dart, Sepp Firnaks, Charles Moore, and Joseph Passonneau. Award winners were notified immediately by wire. Results will be published in the January 1967 P/A.

### SWENSON'S BODY SHOP

BATAVIA, N.Y. Part-time sculptor Joseph Swenson believes that form should be both functional and evocative. The larger-than-life-size, glass-fiber figures shown here are really pieces of furniture. Used as a chair (1) or a couch (2), Swenson figures his forms will fit a human being better
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foundation will be housed in the former Warburg mansion, which will contain quarters set aside for the use of the President, Vice-President, and their assistants, or any living former presidents. . . John Vance and Robert Einsweiler are replacing C. David Loeks, who held the position of Director of the Metropolitan Planning Commission in Minneapolis-St. Paul from its inception until his resignation in June this year. . . Planning to open an architectural office in Frankfurt after his release from West Berlin's Spandau Prison next month is Albert Speer, 61, former Nazi armaments chief. He is one of the last prisoners to be held under conviction of Nazi war crimes there. . . Gene R. Schaefer, Director of the Westhouse Air Brake Company Mass Transit operations, has received an appointment from Robert Weaver to HUD's Transportation Advisory Committee. The committee has been newly formed to work in conjunction with Assistant Secretary Charles M. Haar of the new cabinet Department of Transportation. . . Ted A. Niederman, a young member of the Baltimore architectural firm of Rogers, Taliaferro, Kostritsky, Lamb will spend four months working and studying with the Tokyo firm of Kenzo Tange. Rogers, Taliaferro, Kostritsky, Lamb has commissioned Niederman to report on current trends in Japanese architecture. . . At a Founder's Day convocation, Paul Rudolph, architect of the Charles A. Dana Creative Arts Center at Colgate, received an honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree from the University. In part, the citation read: "When, in 1962, a Center for the Creative Arts became practically possible at Colgate, all concerned hoped it would not only provide desperately needed facilities for study and teaching in the arts, but become in its own right a fitting example of creative art as well. The choice of Paul Rudolph as architect insured the fulfillment of these hopes. The building he designed . . . adds artistic luster to our campus. Far from merely 'drawing' plans to accommodate teaching programs, Mr. Rudolph, by the bold and imaginative use of materials and spaces, combined form and function into an artistic whole—"full of surprises but always logical.""

**HEADQUARTERS FOR GEORGIA PACIFIC SPROUTS IN PORTLAND**

PORTLAND, ORE. When completed in September 1969, the Georgia Pacific building will be a 27 stories, the tallest commercial structure in Oregon. Designed by the Portland office of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, the tower will rise from a full-block landscaped plaza above a concrete course of shops. Despite its height, the 365' Georgia Pacific building will not seem out of place along Portland's skyline, for it will be in line with the Hilton Hotel, (another SOM design), which is 309' high, and the Public Service Building, 286'.

Georgia Pacific plans to occupy only 5 to 10 floors, leasing the remaining space to other firms. Construction of the 97' x 158' tower, which will cost more than $10 million, will get underway in 1967.

**AWARDS**

Lavette Cox Teague, Jr., a graduate research assistant at MIT, has received the $6000 Brunner Research Award for computer study. The award was made by the AIA, New York Chapter, and is the largest sum ever to be awarded in connection with the Brunner prize. Also awarded by the New York Chapter, AIA, was a $2000 grant-in-aid to architect Simon Breines of Scarsdale, N.Y., for the preparation for publication of a previous Brunner award study on "Pedestrian Islanding". The city of Camden, N.J., has received an award from the American Institute of Planners in recognition of its "vast and dynamic design" for rebuilding and renewing major portions of the city. Credit went to Willard Cooper, City Auditor of Planning and Renewal. The only other area to receive an award in the competition, which usually makes awards in several population categories, was the Capital Region of Connecticut. This was the first award made to a metropolitan area. The region is composed of 29 towns, all one of which have their own planning boards and city plans. Winner of the annual President's Plaque of the American Public Works Association was the Washington State Chapter this year. President Robert S. Hopson presented the plaque to Robert G. Anderson, Tacoma engineer and head of the Chapter. Important in the choice of the Washington Chapter as recipient of the award was its revision of its "Standard Specifications for Municipal Public Works Construction." Among those lauded at the AIA convention and praised in this column are Edward J. Logue, development administrator of the Boston Redevelopment Authority, and Albert Bush-Brown, president of the Rhode Island School of Design. Both received honorary memberships in the AIA, and were among the eleven honored "for outstanding contributions to the physical and artistic enhancement of New York State." 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Auburn (Ala.) University’s School of Architecture, has won a $1500 travel grant from the Alabama Gas Corporation . . . Michael R. Foil, also at Auburn, won the Alabama Concrete Industries Association Design competition . . . Robert E. Simon, Jr., developer of the new town of Reston, Va., has received the first medal of Urban Pioneer from the Department of Housing and Urban Development . . . Walter A. Netsch of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill was recently presented with the Total Design Award of the National Society of Interior Designers.

EIGHT HOUSES TO A FLAT

STANFORD, CALIF. Last June, Robert L. Wendt received a master’s degree in art from Stanford University. His undergraduate degree is in architecture, and his aspirations seem to lie in an interdisciplinary area that is often given lip service but seldom concrete thought.

As part of one of his graduate courses, Wendt designed a vacation home that can be wheeled onto a railroad flatcar, shipped to its destination, then trundled off and rolled to a vacation site. Nor do these homes have to be just for vacationers. With modifications, Wendt feels, they could be used by migrant farm workers, by lumberjacks, by miners, by construction personnel, or by the military. His design shows eight cabins carried by each flatcar. Half of these are one-story cabins that can hold three persons. Half are two-story units with accommodations for seven. Each cabin would, of course, be self-sustaining. Refrigerator, stove, water heater, air conditioning, toilet facilities, and lamps would all operate on bottled gas. There would be enough water and fuel to last about a week.

Wendt envisions his cabins, which have sliding glass doors on both sides, as suited to glass-fiber and steel construction. Initial talks with railroad officials made Wendt optimistic about the future of his project.

SCHOOLS

Retiring from the Harvard Graduate School of Design are Walter F. Bogner, Norman T. Newton, and Charles William Eliot, 2nd. Professor Bogner was a member of the team of Harvard professors who won the “Boston Prize” in 1944 for a master plan for the development of greater Boston. He was also instrumental in the planning of the Back Bay Center project, a proposal for a business center over the Boston and Albany railroad yards, and conducts a private practice as an architectural consultant. Professor Newton, who becomes Professor of Landscape Architecture, Emeritus, long practiced landscape architecture before joining the Harvard faculty in 1939, and has written books on design and other subjects. Known for his involvement with Federal planning and resource agencies, Professor Eliot is also a planning consultant for towns, cities, and larger areas. He has been Professor of City and Regional Planning since 1959 . . . A candidate for the University of Illinois Board of Trustees is Ralph C. Hahn, owner of the firm of Ralph Hahn & Associates, Consulting Engineers, Springfield, Ill. He is the only member of the engineering or architectural profession running for a statewide office in Illinois . . .

A 10-week course entitled “Economic Aspects of Building and Construction” has been instituted at New York University’s School of Continuing Education through its Management Institute. Lecturers will be leading real estate men, who will base their lectures on actual cases. David Tishman, William Zeckendorf, Jr., Max Wechsler, and Sol Horowitz are among speakers scheduled to discuss such topics as “Building Costs,” “Conflict Between the Builder and Architect,” and “Appraising the New Building.” More information may be obtained from The Management Institute, New York University, 10 E. 8th St., New York, N.Y. 10003.

COMPETITIONS

The American Iron and Steel Institute has announced its Design in Steel Awards Program, sponsored by the steel industry. Eligible are all practicing individuals or teams of professionals in the fields of architecture, engineering, and designing in the Americas. The jury will be composed of nine professionals—three designers, three architects, and three engineers, and will consider entries in the categories of consumer products, industrial products, commercial equipment, automotive products, residential construction, low- and high-rise commercial, industrial, or institutional construction, and public work construction. The program is coordinated by the National Design Center, 415 E. 53rd St., New York, N.Y. Deadline for entries is midnight, January 27, and judging will take place February 2 and 3 at the National Design Center. Details, including the definition of categories and criteria, will be published soon in a brochure to be distributed by the AISI.
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first "adventure" playground. The "adventure" idea (let the kids build things and tear them down) is nothing new (grown-ups do it all the time). But as an organized approach to playground philosophy, it is an inviting respite from the dull nothings usually offered city children. Adventure playgrounds first originated in the British and Scandinavian countries, where the bombed-out wastes of war provided field days for curious, imaginative children. Now, Richard Dattner of Davis, Brody & Associates in New York has designed an adventure model for the New York child who has neither the wastes of Europe nor the alleys of Harlem to intrigue him. The playground will have a splashing pool with a water channel for sailing boats, a series of climbing poles and mounds, a bumpy slide, a cargo net, a real boat to sail the Seven Seas and not go out of the park on, a little theater for puppets and child actors, tree houses and pits, and a jumble of wooden poles and boards to实践 architecture with.

At a rate of one a year for the next 10 years, the Lauder Foundation plans to donate other experimental adventure playgrounds to the city. And if this first one is any indication, they can't build them fast enough.

TEEN-AGE ARCHITECTS

TOLEDO, OHIO. One of the most worthwhile things the AIA does for the profession is to stimulate young students to study architecture. Often, this activity is undertaken by the local AIA chapters, but the problem is a big one and the funds and resources of the local chapters are limited. For 16 years, the Toledo chapter has sponsored a design competition for high school students. It was a modest program until, in recent years, the local Edison Company became a joint sponsor. Now, with more substantial resources behind it, the competition can attract more talent and more attention.

The Edison Company puts up a $500 scholarship for the senior winner, a $75 merchandise award for the best electrical design, and foots the bill for the awards banquet. The Toledo chapter puts up the $150 second prize, and offers the services of 15 or 20 architects who visit local schools to set up the competition. Each February, students are given an architectural design problem — one limited in scope and one not readily solved by a trip to the library. This year's winner was James Wright, a recent graduate of Macomber Vocational High School, whose plans for a ski lodge are shown.

ADVENTURE IN THE PARK

NEW YORK, N.Y. By December of this year, Central Park will have another playground. The concrete and asphalt of the 67th St. playground will be replaced with sand, and the single open space there will be carved up into a series of smaller related play areas. It looks like fun. Sponsored jointly by the Estée and Joseph Lauder Foundation (which put up the $70,000 for construction and play equipment), the Mothers' Committee to Improve the West 67th St. Playground (which will provide a full-time supervisor for six to eight months a year), and the New York City Parks Department (which will provide and maintain both the playground facilities and a continuing supply of mobile equipment), the play area will be this city's

HOW TO KEEP YOUR LANDMARKS AND HAVE THEM TOO

CHICAGO, ILL. On September 29, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra began its sixty-second season in Chicago's Orchestra Hall. Designed by Daniel Burnham, it was the first permanent home for a symphony orchestra in the U.S. The auditorium, with seats for 2581 in its nine-story building overlooking Michigan Boulevard, cost $750,000 in 1904. Last summer, it underwent a $2 million face-lifting, underwritten by a contribution from Silvain Wyler. Probably the single most elaborate item was the installation of a central air-conditioning system. As a result, certain areas of the ceiling, unchanged except for color, are perforated for air outlets and for placement of sound diffusers to improve the acoustics for the orchestra. The auditorium was also completely redecorated, the seats reupholstered, and a new carpet laid. The main lobby
throughout the research floors, it is possible to turn offices into labs and labs into offices by plugging into the system.

Architect for the renovation was Harry M. Weese & Associates, who were also architects for the renovation of Louis Sullivan's Chicago Auditorium Theater.

THE STUDENT CENTER WITH AN ANGLE

JACKSONVILLE, ILL. This fall, construction will begin on Illinois College's Student Center, a multipurpose complex that uses every trick in the book. Vaulted laminated wood beams and deck, clerestory, floor-to-ceiling and vertical slot windows, varying roof heights, sloped parapets, and arcades will provide 14,640 sq ft of space for a two-story bookstore, a faculty lounge, and student activities offices (remember when it was student lounge and faculty offices?), snack bar and lounge and game room. Mittelbusher & Tourtelot of Chicago are the architects.

RAISING RESEARCH

Baltimore, Md. Ninety-nine years ago Johns (he thought in plurals) Hopkins gave the city of Baltimore a token of his appreciation and the beginnings of one of the finest medical centers in this country. Four years ago, Johns Hopkins University started a $86 million fund-raising campaign, $41 million of which is set aside for construction. In September, 1965, work was begun on the $3,500,000 research building (right in photo).

Designed by Baltimore architects Fisher, Ness, Campbell & Partners, the nine-story 110,000 sq ft Research Building will, by January of next year, house the departments of medicine, psychiatry, biomedical engineering, otorhinolaryngology, obstetrics, and gynecology within its poured concrete, sand-blasted walls. Capped by a penthouse housing mechanical facilities, all utilities will run in the exposed vertical and horizontal bands around the building, much like the human circulatory system. This mechanical solution allows for the maximum interior flexibility. With outlets spaced every 10'

WOULD YOU LIVE IN A ZOO?

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. "The Camel's hump is an ugly lump. Which well you may see at the Zoo. But uglier yet is the Hump we get from having too little to do." The Elmer C. Otto Center of the San Diego Zoo, will, by the time it is completed in October, deny Kipling's versification and give young and old a solid round of zooing. The 20,000-sq-ft, $750,000, one-building zoo will house a 200-seat auditorium and space for administration and education facilities, as well as an orangutan or two. Designed by San Diego architects Tucker, Sadler & Bennett, the zoo has only one missing link — and a sad one at that. This zoo has been designed for people, not for the animals.

BOSTON SOB

BOSTON, MASS. The first building in the $175-million, 52-acre Government Center here was completed and occupied last June. The Emery-Roth designed, 22-story, $18-million State Office Building (shown) will house nine government agencies and 3000 employees. The precast concrete building, with its thermos-bottle cap on tight, will have a neighbor in the soon-to-be-dedicated, 26-story Federal Office building, designed by The Architects Collaborative and Samuel Glaser Associates. Also coming along is Kahlmann, McKinnell & Knowles City Hall (half finished), a Welton Becket Associates crescent-shaped office tower (in second construction phase), and an Emery Roth & Sons and Edward Larrabee Barnes office building (foundation under way). Weighted down by these projects, Scollay Square shall not rise again.
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Let it not be for present delight, nor for
present use alone; let it be such work
as our descendants will thank us for,
and let us think, as we lay stone on stone,
that a time is to come
when those stones will be held sacred
because our hands have touched them,
and that men will say as they look upon the
labor and wrought substance of them,
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PELINDABA, SOUTH AFRICA. Comedian Tom Lehrer sings a song he composed called "Who's Next?" It starts out, "America has the bomb but that is good because we're for peace and motherhood. Russia has the bomb and that's okay, for the balance of power is maintained that way." Several other countries also have the bomb, of course, and all the rest wish they did. With the official opening of the National Research Center here last summer, South Africa has the means to develop one if she wants to. Ostensible purpose of the center is to help the country convert to nuclear generation of electric power, and, by 1970 at least, some areas are expected to do so. Designed by Pretoria architect Bryan Sandrock, the complex, known as Safari One (for South African Fundamental Atomic Reactor Installation), is in keeping with both its purpose and the barren transvaal veldt on which it sits. Imbedded in the concrete facade of the reactor building is a mural symbolizing the "nuclear imprint of our age."

South Africa has one of the world's most readily available supplies of fissionable material, found in the piles of earth cast off by its gold mines. If the 1970 nuclear power goal is fulfilled, South Africa will be well ahead of both the U.S. and Russia in clean power production—even without the bomb.

BIG, BUT

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. The Los Angeles Auditorium-Exhibition Center is big: There will be 31 acres outside and 458,000 sq ft inside. Mark Twain, who thought an interior space was grand if it had enough room "to swing a dead cat," would have been impressed. The main exhibit area will have a minimum height of 40' throughout its 300' span—believed to be the largest "high bay" area in the U.S. With the aid of a 40' folding, soundproof partition, this space can be divided to serve three separate, simultaneous functions. Designed by Charles Luckman & Assoc., the structure is a cable-suspension building that uses the engineering principle of prestressed high-tension cables to take the place of rigid steel trusses. "It also provides the "architecture" of the building," says Luckman, "by giving the roof a dramatic shape, with constantly changing shadow patterns during the course of the day."

"In 1906, when the $25 million hole was dug in the old Tenderloin district for the $112 million terminal and landmark (Pennsylvania Station), the city's and the railroad's sights were high. Now dreams of glory and broken Doric columns lie shattered in the Secaucus meadows." Ada Louise Huxtable, writing in The New York Times.

"Most, if not all, architects still consider architecture as an esoteric art, and as such take the position that as artists nobody is going to tell them what to do. I have often thought that the synonym to the word profession is arrogance, and particularly so with the architectural profession."

"After careful observation and investigation into the lack of progress in meeting the problem of building and development, it became clear that progress was essentially blocked by the interaction of proliferating, restrictive, inflexible planning and zoning regulations; archaic, nonuniform codes and inspection practices; union work rules and limitations; the highly fragmented character of the construction industry (thousands of small firms, with limited financial capacity and unequal bargaining power); the unwillingness of mortgage lenders to support builders who might want to innovate and experiment." George T. Bogard of the General Electric Company in a speech titled, "Role of Large-Scale Enterprise in the Creation of Better Environment," given at the American Institute of Planners conference.

"Since Stonehenge, man has always wanted to organize his environment, to create the ideal in every way, including the city, the ultimate and most enduring expression of any age. He still aspires, but there is growing confusion... Certainly the urban designer-architect is impotent unless he recognizes the forces in society and translates these forces, or desires, into three-dimensional reality. What are the 20th-Century forces which must be tamed, understood, deflected? They are, number one, materialism; number two, shear increase in size necessitated by the population explosion; and number three, the scientific impact on our society," Paul Rudolph, speaking at Colgate University.

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is the main reason to go to the opera. But after the Philharmonic experience, the whole science of acoustics was washed away. Until then, everyone thought that sound travels as light does, that it bounces off a wall at the same angle as it goes into the wall. High frequencies do that. But now we know, for example, that the lower frequencies don’t. They act more like mass, like a billiard ball with English; they sort of have a spin that makes them rebound at different angles and can cause echoes.

“The house also had to be bigger than it should be. We finally figured we had to make room for 3800 seats — the opera isn’t subsidized in this country — when 3000 seats is ideal for an opera house.”

I could have experimented, I suppose. There have been modern opera houses built since the war. But the bigger the involvement, the less real the room there is to experiment. I just couldn’t go off into the realm of theory with a building like this. You just can’t experiment with $45 million.”


“He were billsowing silk shirts of lavender and apple green to the office. He paid dentist bills for dozens of chorus girls because he could not bear ugly teeth.” Aline Sabarinen, writing of Stanford White in Life.

WASHINGTON/FINANCIAL NEWS

BY E. E. HALMOS

Architects and urban planners will soon be dealing with a new, and to some extent undefined, set of conditions in planning projects to be built in or near the flood plain of a stream.

The change will be the result of a little-noted Presidential order (No. 11296), which directs all Federal agencies, including the Housing and Urban Development Department, Small Business Administration, Water Pollution Control Administration, as well as more traditional construction agencies, to disapprove any construction in a flood plain that is “uneconomical, unnecessary, or hazardous.” The all-inclusive order notes that the consideration of flood hazard will affect any work in which Federal funds are involved in any way — by direct grant or loan, mortgage insurance, or anything else.

Background on the move dates back more than six years, when the Army’s Corps of Engineers sought (and was denied) Congressional authority to block construction in flood-plain areas; it also stems from Administration efforts to take a posture of economy. Since 1936, the Corps and the Soil Conservation Service have spent more than $7 billion on flood control and flood-prevention work; it now spends an average of $500 million a year for this purpose. Complaint is that developers and city planners insist on building in flood-prone areas, then demand, and get, Federal work to protect these areas. Every time the Federal Government builds a levee or flood wall, more building goes up behind it, with the result that a record flood brings more damage and more demands for protective works. Besides, says the Corps, building in the flood plains increases danger of disastrous floods, since it restricts natural watercourses.

Under the order, requests for funds for projects in such areas must be accompanied by written “findings” by agency heads that no danger exists — or funds will be denied.

The order, unfortunately, fails to clarify a couple of important points: (1) there are no national criteria of flood danger, not nearly enough information on many streams to set such criteria; (2) the order doesn’t say who in the various agencies will pass on the extent of danger.

NASA to Study Architecutural Fees

Tucked away in a rider on the appropriations bill for the National Aeronautics and Space Agency is a matter of major concern to architects: call for a year-long study as to whether the present 6% limitation on architectural and engineering fees is too low.

NASA had requested a one-year waiver of the 6% limitation on certain advanced and complex projects. Congress didn’t permit that, but it did direct the Comptroller General to make a Government-wide review of the subject and report back within a year.

Professionals have long complained that the fee limitation, coupled with too-low Federal construction cost estimates, has made it necessary to reject assignments, they have argued, on the other hand, that adequate (or above-average) fees can result in savings by permitting comprehensive solutions with simplified construction.

An immediate participant was the Consulting Engineers Council, which sent out a call to its members for data to illustrate specific instances where hardships have been created because of the 6% limitation.

Running Amok in the Capital — To nobody’s surprise, Congress charged right back down Capitol Hill in mid-August, and approved a compromise appropriations bill that will permit the Architect of the Capitol to continue preliminary design planning for extension of the Capitol’s West Front.

Thus, predictably, another annual skirmish over the construction and appearance of the building ended just where the powerful “Commission on Extension of the U.S. Capitol” wanted it to: with a start on the work of extending the old building’s crumbling West Front some 80’ outward, to create new office, committee room, and restaurant space at a cost of about $34 million.

The House-Senate conference committee that worked on the annual “Legislative Branch Appropriations” bill, in which are contained funds for the Architect’s office, was careful to disclaim responsibility. Said Oklahoma’s Senator “Mike” Monroney, representing the Senate in the conference: “I believe this is a reasonable compromise [permitting continuation of design planning] that will enable both advocates and opponents . . . to participate in whatever decision Congress eventually will make. . . . This action in no way endorses or rejects the Architect’s course of action up to this point.”

Monroney went on to explain that Architect Stewart had spent all but $40,000 of some $300,000 given him last year for planning, and that he would use the remaining money mostly for construction of a “mock-up” to show how the building will look when extended. Additional funds for this model, plus other administrative expenses, are provided — but no money for actual construction work.

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And while the Capitol furor died down a bit, Washington could look forward to a couple of other architectural points of discussion: a proposal to build a sort of “Ponte Vecchio” — a shopping, pedestrian bridge — to connect the city’s Southwest redevelopment area waterfront with the almost inaccessible site (across an arm of the Potomac) of the planned, controversial Haines Point water control project, and the so-called “flowered” “Commission on Extension of the U.S. Capitol” wanted it to: with a start on the work of extending the old building’s crumbling West Front some 80’ outward, to create new office, committee room, and restaurant space at a cost of about $34 million.

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levels, would be some 27 bridges of varying lengths, miles of steel and concrete—and a price tag of $30 million.

Immediate concern of architects was the impact of such a vast area of roadway, on many levels, on the attempts to beautify and dignify approaches to the capital.

**Financial**—Congressional attempts to pump new money into the housing field through a nearly $4 billion infusion of funds to “Fannie Mae,” the Federal National Mortgage Association, were being watched carefully by a housing industry that expected to see no more than a million or so “new starts” this year. Problem of tight money wasn’t affecting builders so much in their own financing as it was in that prospective buyers have balked at skyrocketing interest rates on their borrowing.

*Nevertheless, the general public doesn’t seem to be too frightened of the future: Census bureau estimates of “buying intentions” of U.S. citizens (as of mid-July) showed little change in plans, over the past three months, in purchasing such varying commodities as automobiles and household goods.*

*Certainly, taxpayers were continuing their strong support of public works spending. The Investment Bankers Association said that, in July, voters approved 83.6% ($50,400,000) worth of bond issues. Bulk of the new money voted ($21 million) will go into educational work.*

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PRODUCTS

AIR/TEMPERATURE
Radiant-heat drywall ceiling system consists of a single layer, 3/8" gypsum wallboard with electric heating cables embedded in fireproof gypsum cores. "Gold Bond Rayboard" systems are installed with conventional wallboard hanging techniques. Each heating panel is a self-contained unit, available in seven models and three sizes. National Gypsum Co., Dept. RM-1, Gold Bond Building, Buffalo, N.Y.
Circle 100, Readers' Service Card

CONSTRUCTION
Prefab roofing system of interlocking metal sheets conceals fastenings and drain channels. Aluminum, copper, Monel metal, or stainless steel may be used for the system, suitable for new construction or re-roofing. Vertical seams are flush with sheet surfaces and form a combination drain channel and hairline expansion joint. Horizontal seams have a standard height of 1/2". Suitable for roofing over decks of concrete, wood, or steel with insulation. Overly Mfg. Co., Architectural Metal Products Div., 574 W. Otterman St., Greensburg, Pa. 15602.
Circle 101, Readers' Service Card

"Noyo Finger-Joint" redwood lumber eliminates the waste of trimming random lengths at the site — exact lengths (up to 24'), widths and thicknesses can be factory-cut. This is said to be more economical for jobs where long fascias or sidings are needed. End-glued joints are smooth and accept paint as well as surrounding redwood, manufacturer states. Available unfinished or factory primed. Union Lumber Co., 620 Market St., San Francisco, Calif. 94104.
Circle 103, Readers' Service Card

"T-Wall" framing system insulates glass from metal mil-lions in curtain walls with T-shaped gasket and filler strips. Gaskets are pressed into continuous stainless-steel spring clips that pull the glass against filler strips fitted into mullion slots. This insulation results in a "U" value of 0.6, according to manufacturer, and no condensation with temperatures of -20 F outside, 70 F inside, and 35% relative humidity. New system is suitable for both low- and high-rise buildings. Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., 632 Fort Duquesne Blvd., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15222.
Circle 105, Readers' Service Card

Concrete block with integral exposed-aggregate face is available with any one (or a combination) of 15 aggregates. Manufacturer claims good weathering qualities and states that fabricating the aggregate face as a part of the block cuts down on freeze-thaw damage caused from the water seepage behind the face. Precio Chemical Corp., 55 Skyline Dr., Plainview, N.Y.
Circle 106, Readers' Service Card

DOORS/WINDOWS
Movable walls are now available with coverings of Du Pont's "Tedlar" — a polyvinyl fluoride which "makes vinyl as stain resistant as ceramic tile." Tedlar, laminate to Modernfold's "Soundmaster" or "Acousti-Seal" movable wall surfaces will be optional. Matching wall-coatings will also be available from Moderncoat, Inc., the manufacturer's subsidiary, New Castle Products, Inc., 1721 "I" Ave., New Castle, Ind. 47362.
Circle 108, Readers' Service Card

Bolts to match weathering steel are now available. Maintenance-free "Weather-R" bolts with "built-in corrosion resistance" have been developed for use with manufacturer's "Mayari" weathering steel, which forms a dark brown textured finish after long exposure. High-strength fasteners meet mechanical and dimensional requirements of ASTM specification A325. Bethlehem Steel Corp., Bethlehem, Pa.

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Zefkrome, an acrylic fiber manufactured by the Dow Badische Company, provides maximum color retention for carpets made with it, because its color is added during fiber-making. Manufacturers claim that its colors have richer luster and clearer tone than normally dyed acylies. Odorless when wet, unussible to silverfish and mold, Zefkrome's practicality does not exclude the luxury of choice of weaves and textures. Among carpet manufacturers using Zefkrome are: Hugh Nelson-Columbia Carpet Company; Gulistan Carpets; and Downs Carpet Company. Dow Badische Company, Textile Fibers Department, 350 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Circle 114, Readers' Service Card

Would you believe an automatic toilet paper dispenser? Molded of egg-shell white plastic, the device uses "solid state circuitry"; designed for recessed installation, it fits flush with the wall. Just press and tissue rolls out to any desired length. Would you believe the manufacturer claims, "It eliminates unsightly toilet paper"? Advance Design Service, 23280 Gonzales Dr., Woodland Hills, Calif.

Circle 112, Readers' Service Card

Cool are the Stellante hinge-door cabinets (shown) and sliding tambour door cabinets by Imperial Desk Company, when turned into refrigerated office furniture. Hinge doors swing out, allowing the refrigerator door to fold down, providing a serving counter. The door panel of the "slip-in" refrigerator can be made of oil walnut, to match the finish of the cabinet (refrigerator 15½" high, 26¾" wide, 16" deep, and with 1.5 cu ft capacity and two ice cube trays, is available at the Sub-Zero Freezer Co., Inc., Madison, Wis.). Cabinet modifications can be made at Imperial upon request. Imperial Desk Company, Inc., 1312 W. Florida St., Los Angeles, Calif.

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Plastic ellipsoid luminaire atop a cast-aluminum pole for outdoor lighting accommodates up to 400-w mercury vapor or 500-w incandescent light. Pole (8', 10', 12', or 14' high) is finished in baked acrylic — white, black, or dark bronze. Luminaire, 34" dia., has built-in reflector. Suitable for parks, campuses, parking lots, street lighting, etc. Kim Lighting, 1467 N. Lidcombe, El Monte, Calif.

Circle 109, Readers' Service Card

Hire-'n Peek black glass oven doors are transparent when the oven light is on, opaque when it is off. Since they are full width and lift off, oven cleaning is facilitated. Handle comes in bright chrome with a decorative walnut inlay. Most gas and electric ovens manufactured by Waste King Universal will accommodate these doors. Waste King Corp., 3300 E. 50th St., Los Angeles, Calif.

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interlocking columns forms the tower's 6½'-high frame that comes in teak finish with ebony trim, or walnut and brass. It may be combined with additional units to create a more extensive wall treatment. Toujay Designs, Inc., 146 East 53rd St., New York, N.Y. 10022.

Circle 122, Readers' Service Card

Liberty furniture by Jens Risom has been augmented by seven tables, study carrels, and three complementary chairs. The tables are rectangular or round and range from single to six places. Shelf units, which are put on top of the same tables to produce separate study carrels or index dividers, are an answer to flexible privacy and storage requirements. Table-tops are of walnut wood, matte bayberry plastic, or Risom vinyl. Carrel shelf is faced with matte walnut plastic. The chairs are both arm and armless designs, with walnut or upholstered backs. Note recessed apron allowing armchairs to be drawn up close. Jens Risom Design Inc., 444 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022.

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Q-Flood is a wide-beam floodlight, using a 250-w miniature quartz iodine lamp. It is finished in jet black, bronze (both with black yoke and mounting), and matte white. A deeply recessed reflector reduces glare and spill light. Flow-through convection venting cools the lamp. Available with a variety of mounting devices (among them c-clamp for pipes, screw-in unit for lamp socket), accessory louver, hood, and color filters. Lighting Services, Inc., 77 Park Ave., New York, N.Y. 10016.

Circle 123, Readers' Service Card

Office equipment

For indoor cooking, outdoor style, Mark Stone has designed "Grate-n Grill," an alloy steel fireplace grate with a removable, hammered wrought-iron grill whose cooking surface is stainless steel. The grate's contour makes self-feeding fuel roll toward the center; it is available in 24", 27", 30" and 36" widths. The grill, 12" x 18", can be used on any grate between 24" and 36" wide. Either part can be purchased separately. Metalex Corporation, P.O. Box 147, Highway 176, Libertyville, Ill. 60048.

Circle 118, Readers' Service Card

Vel-Strips are Velcro tapes mounted on rigid vinyl strips. When pressed together, the two tapes seal tightly and will support as much as 5 lb shear strength pressure per sq in. The rigid strips, designed for carpet installations, door and wall panels, furniture and drapery installations, and industrial uses, as well as for aircraft interiors and uphol-

stering, can be attached to most surfaces by means of stapling, tacking, or riveting. Kirsch Company, Dept. V063, Sturgis, Mich.

Circle 120, Readers' Service Card

The Tower of Toujay by designer Jerry Joseph has four compartments and four doors. Each compartment is 13" high, 19½" wide, 18" deep. Included are a pull-out tray for phonc and tape recorder, adjustable shelf, and record dividers. A system of record dividers. A system of

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thermostatic motor and mixing valve assembly — is said to be easily accessible from the front. The Powers Regulator Co., Skokie, Ill. Circle 127, Readers’ Service Card

Patterned screens conceal rooftop equipment. Eight textured patterns in 12 lively colors, plus black and white, are molded into glass-fiber panels 4’ x 8’ with built-in mounting frame. Opaque colors are impregnated; panels are said to be fire-resistant. For access, hinged panels are available. Special designs and forms, for uses such as in ventilators, can also be fabricated by manufacturer for dressing up the rooftop mechanical garden. Color chart available. Williams-Bermuda Corp., 914 Westminster Ave., Alhambra, Calif. 91803. Circle 132, Readers’ Service Card

Compact phone “booth” is all stainless steel, including perforated acoustical side panels. Shelf unit accommodates the Bell System 235G Panel Telephone mounted either on the left (40-S) or on the right (41-S). Dimensions: 24” wide x 30½” high x 14½” deep. Suitable for lobbies, department stores, etc. Manufacturer plans to offer a variety of side-panel finishes and various accessories. Acoustics Development Corp., 1810 Holste Rd., Northbrook, Ill. 60062. Circle 135, Readers’ Service Card

“Flushplate” service outlets for hospitals provide oxygen and suction connections. Single or multiple plates are also available with electrical outlets, nurse calls, etc. Since stainless steel is frequently not required outside critical areas, states manufacturer, standard units are black epoxy-iumed — with special-order colors available. Melchior, Armstrong, Dessau, Medical Equipment Div., Ridgefield, N.J. 07657. Circle 139, Readers’ Service Card

Control console for paging and radio sound distribution has AM/FM tuner and 10-station switch bank for zone paging. Compact unit is designed for central location such as front desks in motels or hotels. RCA Service Co., Dept. 1614, Blg. 203-3, Camden, N.J. 08101. Circle 133, Readers’ Service Card

Cooker-freezer meets mass-feeding needs by cooking 40 lb of vegetables every 5 min or heating 48 frozen entrees every 6 min. Directly under the two steam cooking compartments (“400 steam jets impinging directly into the food mass for dynamic cooking action”) is a 300-lb capacity freezer. The “2285-FC” virtually eliminates the need for pots and pans, and requires no ventilation system, claims manufacturer. Vischer Products Co., 2815 W. Roscoe St., Chicago, Ill. 60618. Circle 134, Readers’ Service Card

Where there’s smoke, this small (6”/w x 2½”/d deep) detecting device sets off the alarm. It protects an area up to 60’ x 60’, and can be added to existing fire-protection systems. When smoke reaches the 4% “obscuration” point, it reflects lights to a photocell, triggering the transistorized alarm relay; temperatures of 135 °F or over also start alarm. Device is valuable in protecting sensitive people (the elderly or ill) and sensitive equipment. Notifier Corp., 3700 N. 56 St., Lincoln, Nebr. 68504. Circle 136, Readers’ Service Card

A monorail conveyor suitable for hospital use can automatically discharge containers at programmed stations. The system, which has been operated in Swiss hospitals, conveys 220-lb-capacity containers that remain upright while moving in horizontal or vertical directions, and are stabilized to prevent oscillation. The system should ideally be designed into the original plans, but installation is possible in existing elevator shafts or corridors. Suitable for transporting such items as laundry, medical records, test specimens, drugs, trash, etc. Circle 137, Readers’ Service Card

Transparent scheme for saving drafting time uses adhesive-backed, tri-acetate sheets for preprinting repetitive symbols, title blocks, or standard details. Matte surface will take erasures, and adhesive backing is either “permanent” or “temporary.” Custom order “Stampats” are prepared from clients’ artwork, but a typesetting service is available. Plain sheets typesetting service is available. Plain sheets (8½” x 11”) are also available with electrical outlets, nurse calls, etc. Since stainless steel is frequently not required outside critical areas, states manufacturer, standard units are black epoxy-iumed — with special-order colors available. Melchior, Armstrong, Dessau, Medical Equipment Div., Ridgefield, N.J. 07657. Circle 139, Readers’ Service Card

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Circle 200, Readers' Service Card

Revised edition of noise control manual, “Sound Advice,” includes 17 new gypsum wall assemblies plus updated information on previous partition constructions. Cutaway views detail wood or steel stud, gypsum-rib, or solid partition systems. Fire ratings and Sound Transmission Class (STC) ratings are given for each of 32 assemblies, together with additional sound transmission data and charts, materials lists, and application details. 36 pages. Bestwall Gypsum Div., Georgia-Pacific Corp., 1 Industrial Blvd., Paoli, Pa. 19301.

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Concrete Construction" conforms to ACI and ASTM codes and specifications, and to U.S. Department of Commerce recommendations. Charts, tables, design data, formulas, specs, cross-sections, etc. 98 pages. Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute, 228 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. 60601.

Circle 204, Readers' Service Card

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Circle 203, Readers' Service Card

Reinforced concrete manual (1966 edition) contains data for specifications writers, designers, and detailers, as well as engineering students and contractors. Standard industry codes of practice, estimating data, and contract information are included. Gives specifications for placing bars and bar supports for one-way flat slab and two-way flat slab and flat plate construction. Design case studies offer data on one-way joist construction and two-way waffle slabs; R/C duct floors and metal lath ceiling construction are specified, and standard specs for various types of steel bars are given. “A Manual of Standard Practice for Reinforced Concrete Construction” conforms to ACI and ASTM codes and specifications, and to U.S. Department of Commerce recommendations. Charts, tables, design data, formulas, specs, cross-sections, etc. 98 pages. Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute, 228 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. 60601.

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“Concepts on the Interior Environment” is a brochure describing integrated ceiling arrangements possible with the manufacturer’s components. The backbone of all the systems is the “Modu-Flo” air bar — a slot with an adjusts-
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Precast concrete planks for floors or roofs are 4' wide, 8" or 12" deep, and can be cut to required length. Underside of hollow-core "Span-Deck" units is lightweight concrete with a textured acoustical surface. Pamphlets give load/span tables, dimensioned cross-sections, guide specs, brief description of manufacturing process, and construction photos. 12 pages. Blakeslee Prestress.

Greenhouses for colleges, botanical gardens, and commercial use are framed with standard aluminum components. Available in several profiles with straight or curved eaves in widths from 14' to 49', they may be built as freestanding buildings or attached to an existing structure. Manufacturer also offers custom designs and smaller greenhouses for home use. There is an economy series as well as one designed for show appearance. Booklet includes dimensioned drawings and details, size charts, photos, and working drawings. 12 pages. Lord & Burnham Div., Burrough Corp., Irvington, N.Y. 10533.
Circle 210, Readers' Service Card

A walk calk, two-component pourable polyurethane, is said to cure to a strong rubber with high elasticity and permanent adhesion to the substrate. Calkwalking, or rather walk calking, resists permanent deformation and weathering. Data sheets on "Betasol #450" give description, application instructions and physical properties. BFC Div., Essex Chemical Corp., Clifton, N.J.
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The architect for the project was Frank William Wallace, AIA; engineers were Netherton, Dolmeyer, Solnok; and the contractor was Manhattan Construction Company.

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Among the advantages gained by using the Prescon System of post-tensioning prestressed concrete are: flexibility of column spacing, thin slabs with no deflection, and waterproofing of slabs when desired. For the complete story on the advantages to owners, architects, engineers and contractors using the Prescon System, write for brochures and the Prescon NEWS.

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