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Glass Specifications.—A.I.A. File No. 26-a-3-5-6. Attractive new brochure with useful specification data for architects and engineers showing this line of plain and wired figured rolled glass, polished wire glass and polished plate glass for partitions, doors, transoms, windows and skylights of industrial and commercial buildings. 16 pp. Standard filing size. Blue Ridge Glass Corp., Kingsport, Tenn.

Composition Ornaments Moderne.—A.I.A. File No. 28-e. Looseleaf catalog with samples of cloth, specifications and much other useful information on the subject of window shades, shade cloth and shade rollers. Profusely illustrated. 28 pp. 8\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 11. The Columbia Mills, Inc., 30 W. 42nd St., New York, N. Y.

Published by the same firm, "Window Shade Rollers." Illustrated catalog covering this line of wood and metal shade rollers and brackets. Suggestions for measuring and hanging shades are included. 24 pp. Standard filing size. "Columbian Venetian Blind." A.I.A. File No. 28-g. A manual for architects with detail drawings, specifications and descriptive data covering this type of window blind for business offices, libraries, banks, hotels, etc. 8 pp. 8\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 11. Steel Mouldings.—A.I.A. File No. 15. Catalog No. 30. Revised and enlarged edition of 1930. A practical and handy reference book showing an extensive line of steel mouldings, including numerous new modernistic patterns, together with reproductions of interesting ornamental iron work with short specifications, revised details in large scale, a larger range of architectural bronze sections and iron workers' samples. 78 pp. Standard filing size. J. B. Grauer, Co., 537 W. 35th St., New York, N. Y.

Manual of Reproduction Processes.—New booklet prepared especially for the information of architects, engineers and draftsmen on the subject of reproductions. Contains specimens of nine different processes and eighteen different prints or reproductions. Charles Bruning Co., Inc., 96 Reade St., New York, N. Y.


Estate Type Kerney.—Illustrated bulletin showing solution of waste disposal problem on estates, country homes, summer homes, winter homes, lake homes, shore residences and similar types through the use of this type of incinerator equipment. Typical layouts. 8 pp. 8\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 11. Kerner Incinerator Co., 1225 North Water St., Milwaukee, Wis.


Excelsior Indirect Water Heaters.—A.I.A. File No. 29-d. New illustrated reference book for architects and engineers on the subject of indirect heating. Complete information on this type of heater together with Glad and dimen drawings and tables of capacities and sizes, etc. 16 pp. Standard filing size. Excelsior Products Corporation, 65 Clyde Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.


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Published by the same firm, "The Speed Heater." New document for architects and specification writers setting forth the advantages of the Speed heater system of heating for industrial plants, workshops, garages, offices, gymnasia, etc. 16 pp. 8\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 11.

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The Testimony of Science and Service.—New publication contains a brief description with the results of service tests on various sheet metals as conducted by the American Society for Testing Materials. 16 pp. Standard filing size. American Sheet and Tin Plate Co., Frick Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Design Standards for Osweld Steel and Wrought Iron Piping.—Handbook, the first of a series for architects, engineers and draftsmen on the oxy-acetylene process of welding, presents complete information on the fundamental designs used in welding steel pipe as well as wrought iron pipe. It includes line welds, welded flanges, welded fittings and welded headers. Data tables, specifications. 68 pp. The Linde Air Products Co., 39 E. 42nd St., New York, N. Y.

Aluminum Ventilating Awning.—A.I.A. File No. 28-G. Bulletin with descriptive data and details of construction and application covering the Wilson type No. 8 aluminum ventilating awning for homes, apartments, hotels, office buildings, hospitals, schools, etc. 6 pp. 8\(\frac{1}{2}\) x 11. The J. G. Wilson Corporation, 11 East 35th St., New York, N. Y.

Austral Windows in School Buildings.—A.I.A. File No. 27-c-1. Catalog No. 28. New active new publication contains much useful information for architects and drafting rooms on Austral window hardware for both wood and rolled steel construction. Complete set of specifications and detail drawings are included together with more than three hundred illustrations of school buildings equipped with this type of window. 128 pp. Standard filing size. Austral Window Co., 101 Park Ave., New York, N. Y.


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Prof. J. E. Smay, School of Architecture, University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma, will pay reasonable price for the following: White Pine Monographs, Vol. 2, Nos. 1, 3, 4, and 6; Vol. 3, Nos. 1 and 4; Bulletin of the Beaux-Arts Institute of Design, January, February, and March, 1925; and January, 1921, Pencil Points.

John Taylor Arms, Greenfield Hill, Fairfield, Conn., would like to secure a September, 1923, issue of Pencil Points.

PERSONALS

WILLIAM H. HUMPHREY has recently opened an office for the practice of architecture at Greeley Avenue, Chappaqua, New York.

LUCIUS R. WHITE, JR., has moved his offices to the Court Square Building, Baltimore, Md.

A. J. DAIMONE has moved his offices to 189 Montague Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. He was formerly at 342 Madison Avenue, New York.

JOHN KNOX BALLANTINE, JR., Architect, has moved from Berkeley, California, to 137 Harlan Place, San Francisco, Calif.

P. DESMOND SALVA, Architect and Builder, has opened offices at 34 Merchants Row, Room 34, Boston, Mass.

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**CONCERNING SOME OF OUR RECENT ACTIVITIES**

On the following page you will find a letter which has been sent to the architects of the country announcing that we have been encouraged to go ahead with the raising of a fund to be used to educate the public concerning the value of the architect's services and that the box office is now open for contributions to this fund. If you want to see what encouraged us just turn to pages 211-217 and look over the excerpts from letters we received in response to our announcement of January 6th. The almost unanimous sentiment of the hundreds of architects and architectural firms represented by these letters was that of hearty approval. In the face of such an expression of favorable opinion coming from such a large cross section of the profession, we cannot do otherwise than to make good our promise to raise an educational fund and spend it as wisely as we know how, to the end that architects may become better understood and appreciated by the laity. Better understanding and appreciation will, we hope, be followed by better business. The movement is now under way. We stand ready to do our part. Can we count on you?

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With this issue we present the first of a series of special inserts, the subjects of which are architectural etchings and lithographs, printed by the Similetone process on uncoated paper so as to provide as faithful reproductions of the original prints as possible. We believe that they will prove to be a welcome addition to our regular monthly features. Comments from our readers will be appreciated. Tell us how you like them.

**AND WHILE** We are inviting comments, we would be glad to know how you like our series of articles by Professor Harbeson, started in the January, 1930, issue. There has probably been more discussion in the profession concerning the virtues or failings of the so-called "modern architecture" than anything else we know of. Many plates have been published by the architectural press showing examples of the way the modern movement is manifesting itself on the Continent and in this country. For the most part, architects and draftsmen have taken the stand that they liked it or that they hated it, but the acceptance or rejection has been principally a matter of taste. Professor Harbeson is endeavoring to explain some of the things that have influenced the development of this modern work and at the same time is making an attempt to separate the sound from the unsound, the good from the bad. Both he and we would appreciate knowing how you feel about what he is doing.

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**ON PAGES** 222 and 223 you will find the program of our Second Annual Architectural Competition. You have about two months to do it in, so—let's go! The more the merrier!
A SECOND LETTER TO ARCHITECTS IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

DEAR SIR:

On January sixth we broadcast our "plan to educate laymen concerning the value of the architect's services." We venture to say that you would be surprised at the promptness, the volume, and the enthusiasm of the response to our proposal. Certainly it has confirmed us in our conviction that the need exists, and, more than that, in our determination to get under way.

We are, accordingly, now prepared to receive contributions to the fund on the following basis:—

Any architect may contribute $25.00 per year for two years.
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All checks should be made out to PENCIL POINTS' EDUCATIONAL FUND. Contributions to the fund should in every case be sent direct to our office. We have no authorized agents or solicitors.

Individual receipts will not be sent out, but acknowledgment of each contribution will be published in the following issue of PENCIL POINTS. If so requested, contributions will be listed as anonymous.

Please be advised that contributions are being accepted at this time for the year 1930 only.

We pointed out on Page 145 of the February issue of PENCIL POINTS that the exact program will be finally determined as the size of the available fund becomes known to us. We also stated there, and reiterate here, that no part of this money will be used for publication of material in PENCIL POINTS. Rather, we propose to use space and incite comment in periodicals of general circulation outside the profession. The columns of PENCIL POINTS will be used only to keep you informed of the details and progress of the plans as they mature.

In the meantime we are going straight ahead with our own part of the program. This (also described in the February issue of PENCIL POINTS) involves the preparation and wide circulation of a document entitled The Value of the Architect's Services.

As we said at the beginning, responses to our proposal have been most heartening and invigorating to us. It is clearly impossible to show you all the letters, but we can and do send you a few extracts from them. These you will find enclosed herewith.

We thank you for your pledge of support and for your contribution to the fund. Our accounting for its administration will reach you as the program develops.

Cordially yours,

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FROM A LITHOGRAPH BY MILLARD SHEETS
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A FEW WORDS ABOUT CALIFORNIA
AS REPRESENTED BY THE YOUTHFUL MILLARD SHEETS

By W. J. Veale

WHEN THE Texas National Competition for Oil Paintings on the general subject of Texas life was held in the Spring of 1929, with the finest of our nationally known artists entering paintings in competition for some of the thirty-two thousand dollar prize money offered by Edgar B. Davis, oil man, of New York and Texas, practically all of the prize money and the consequent notice and distinction went to artists of established fame and position. However, when the telegrams from the committee of awards were finally being sent out from San Antonio, there appeared as second prize winner in the field of "Texas Ranch Life," carrying its award of seventeen hundred and fifty dollars, the name of Millard Owen Sheets, of Hollywood, California, whose name up to this time was unheard and unsung in any realm outside of his native state.

Persistent work done along a line of carefully determined action is cumulative, so that when an artist finally breaks through the wall of obstruction, honors, prizes, and recognition of increasing value and extent fall more and more frequently to his lot. So it was with Sheets. In the few months succeeding the competition he received word of his paintings and water colors being hung in the galleries of the Pennsylvania Academy; of their being accepted for the National Travelling Water Color Show, the Chicago Art Museum, and the International Water Color Show.

Sheets was at this time only twenty-one years old. Now, youthful prodigies make no appeal to us, for too often their output depends solely upon evanescent and fickle impulses, and on such alone. Their production may boom today, while tomorrow, or a year from now, their talents will lie unused and fallow. But when back of important achievement by an artist we find hard work and the eternal keeping at it—the deliberate elimination from his life of all distracting and detracting influences and amusements; when these have been the price the artist has paid for just the privilege of being allowed to work at a job that takes no account of the things that are given up, and knows no such thing as sacrifice; when he counts the things that are lost as nothing to the thing gained; when his face is ever set towards the one goal of perfection in the use and knowledge of his materials; then the spirit of the man behind such production does interest us a lot. Being then thoroughly accustomed to hard work, self-sacrifice, and a constant upward striving towards artistic perfection, his stature cannot fail to increase as he continues in his work to express more of the surging impressions that life is constantly making upon his open mind. While full credit must be given to the initial impulse of the inward passionate desire that lies in every artist's heart for a fuller expression of beauty and harmony, yet back of that desire there must be the drive of an indomitable will, which will sacrifice, gladly, everything that stands in the way of his goal—everything that would consume the precious hours necessary for the practice and use of those materials and tools which must be brought into absolute subjection to his mind. Sheets reiterates the old saying, "genius is ninety per cent perspiration" and then proves it.

Pomona, California, in the year 1907, was the
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PENCIL DRAWING BY MILLARD SHEETS
STREET IN SAN MALO, FRANCE
A FEW WORDS ABOUT CALIFORNIA

FROM A PENCIL DRAWING BY MILLARD SHEETS
OLD STREET, MARSEILLES

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FROM TWO DRAWINGS IN BRILLIANT WATER COLOR BY MILLARD SHEETS
COMPOSITIONS FOR POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT INTO DECORATIVE MURALS
These drawings, selected from among many similar ones by this artist, show a considerable
feeling for decoration. It is to be regretted that they are not reproduced in full
color, for the originals show a high degree of skill in color composition.
A PROCESSION AT GRAUMAN'S CHINESE THEATRE, HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA
FROM A WATER COLOR SKETCH BY MILLARD O. SHEETS

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This sketch, which is in the collection of Marshall Laird, of Los Angeles, was made as a quick color note and tone study to be later worked up as a dry-point. The original measured 10 3/8" x 12 3/8". Mr. Sheets' palette for water colors includes Gamboge, Yellow Ochre, Vermilion, Alizarin Crimson, Cobalt Blue, Ultramarine, Viridian or Emerald Green, and Ivory Black—with emphasis on the black. He uses no white or tempera. He writes: "My technique in water color is very simple. I never rewash, unless it is positively necessary. The darks as well as the lights are drawn directly with one wash and the color is flowed on very wet. I never work longer than three-quarters of an hour on a sketch outdoors."
scene set for Sheets' entry upon this earthly stage into what at first might seem an unpromising start for a life of hard competitive effort. After the loss of his mother, who died soon after his birth, and a period during which his own life was despaired of, there entered the self-sacrificing devotion of a Grandmother who nursed him through a precarious babyhood into perfect health and raised him to strong young manhood.

Back of every person who ultimately achieves greatly, hewing out his or her purpose against odds, one almost invariably finds some other individual who has discerned, at its beginning, the embryonic talent. Such an individual will have given of himself or herself freely, to the end that this early promise might be fulfilled and come into its full light to influence an ever widening circle. So this kindly grandmother had the wisdom, during Sheets' childhood, not to thwart his early desires to draw, to play with color and form, to be ever making something with his hands. Out of her slender income she made it possible for him to have the needed materials and supplies to gratify these desires, later adding to these gifts an occasional lesson from whatever artist or teacher might be available in such a small western city as her home. All hail those spirits that have loved deeply enough to disregard such taunts as, "You'll spoil the child for any good work," or, "It's a waste of good money"; that have looked forward confidently with more than ordinary wisdom toward the ultimate achievement! Every outstanding success has had such a silent partner.

Sheets' early training was followed by the usual high school art course, neither better nor worse than is to be found in the high schools of other towns of equal size. During this time a healthy interest in outdoor physical activities was building up a body full of vitality and reserve energy that was to stand him in good stead during the years of hard work just ahead. By playing on the local basketball, tennis, and baseball teams, he formed habits of regular and systematic exercise which later provided the balance wheel to overcome the possible bad effects of the intense application demanded by his work. Near the end of this period came some very fine instruction under one of California's noted flower painters, Theodore P. Modra.

High school finished, Sheets immediately made his plans, with an eye to his single purpose—proficiency in the use and knowledge of his materials. Here his intense interest and diligent application were brought to a fine focus by three years of study under F. Tolles Chamberlain, Fellow in Painting of the American Academy in Rome 1909-1912. All of the sound and thorough knowledge possessed by Mr. Chamberlain of color, composition, form, and constructive anatomy, together with his ardent appreciation of all classic expressions of art, was made available to Sheets, who set himself to absorb with avidity all that he could of this rare knowledge and appreciation, making it his own by prolific use, and storing up a mine of infor-
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“ROCHEFORT, FRANCE”—FROM A PENCIL SKETCH BY MILLARD SHEETS

mation that was available as the boy developed to where he could prove by experiment the truth of this previous experience. Of Sheets’ work, Mr. Chamberlain graciously said, upon the occasion of a recent showing of his paintings, “It has been a pleasure to watch Millard Sheets’ rapid artistic growth, and in his recent work, done in this group of canvases, there is an extraordinary vigor and sensitiveness of vision which places it on a high plane. These sterling canvases, which already show a grasp of the higher plastic values very rare in one so young, surely indicate a brilliant future.” Of this same exhibition Clarence Hinkle, portrait painter, said, “What a pleasure to know someone can learn to paint without experimenting over half a lifetime. Millard Sheets shows us all the vitality of youth directed straight to an accomplished ambition. This young man is a powerful impressionist; his pictures have the quality and texture of the work of a man who has painted for years. The achievements for an artist are endless as new worlds of ideas are constantly opening up—and when a young painter gains a leaping start and is always open to greater things, we can only predict that he will go far.”

Early in his student life, Sheets seems to have grasped a principle of work that is worthy of emulation by all of us. Finding himself possessed of a con-

“PLOUAY, FRANCE”—FROM A PENCIL SKETCH BY MILLARD SHEETS
stantly increasing progression of ideas which his mind was nimble enough to analyze and hold, together with sufficient energy and vitality for fecund expression, he became aware that the more he could pass on to some one else, the more sure he became in his own work, the greater became the flow and continuity of his ideas, and the larger became his receptive capacity. So, out of his busy routine of study and expression, he set aside one night a week on which he flung wide the door of his studio in the hills of Hollywood, inviting in any and all students, artists, draftsmen, and architects—all who wanted to broaden their mental horizons by comparing notes of their work with others in allied arts—and made available for them his working space, etching materials and press, books, and above all, the opportunity for each one to contribute his share to the sum total of work and mutual criticism. What a fine contact of artists, students, and architects it was, and what such contact carried further could do for the advancement of a finer cooperation between the allied arts of Architecture, Sculpture, and Painting!

Later, upon his graduation from the Chouinard School of Arts in Los Angeles, Sheets was invited to return there and take charge of the class in landscape painting, numbering about fifteen students ranging in age from fifteen to thirty. Since he brought to the class his spirit of boundless giving, the attendance rapidly increased so that it soon became necessary to divide the class into two sections. At the close of the first term, the two groups totaled an enrollment of seventy-five persons who ranged in age from sixteen to sixty, and in addition there was, once a week, a children's class of forty eager learners.

From this background he finally separated himself by mapping out a program of two years' study in
"THE BOAT BUILDERS"—POINT MAGU, CALIFORNIA
FROM A WATER COLOR SKETCH BY MILLARD O. SHEETS

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The important quality of any water color, according to Mr. Sheets' theory, is the proper balance of "color" and "gray" (absence of color). A drawing executed in beautiful grays with bits of pure color punched intelligently into the half tones sings because of its contrasts. Most water colors are painted so full of color—with color in the light, color in the half tones, and color in the shadows—that they become just so much paint. Contrasts or opposites in color are needed as well as contrasts in dark and light. This sketch, which measures 13 3/4" x 10 3/4", was a study for an oil painting that won second prize at the 1929 California State Exhibition. It was done in about forty-five minutes.
A FEW WORDS ABOUT CALIFORNIA

PENCIL DRAWING BY MILLARD SHEETS
"CONCARNEAU—GYPT WAGON"
figure painting in Europe and sailing for Berlin in midsummer. Once he was in Europe, however, this program received a very vital alteration. With his consciousness already accustomed to constant self-expression, a mind sensitive to ideas and new impressions, and a sound training in the use of his materials, to be in Europe inevitably led him to take to sketching and painting—to express on paper and canvas these new experiences as they flooded into him. So he passed from Hamburg, through Berlin, down to South Germany, the Rhineland, Paris, and the Riviera, Italy—everywhere seeing all the rich treasures for the lover of artistic expression to enjoy, and everywhere making each day yield him its quota of new sketches, water colors, and oils. Then back again to Paris where he practically lived for a time in the lithographic studio of Gaston Dorffnant, turning his architectural sketches made in Southern France and Italy into beautiful, clean-cut drawings direct on the stone, to be printed later by that master of lithography, Gaston Dorffnant, in full editions.

Then on to London, with its wealth of material. Here awaited him one of the greatest delights of his trip, the opportunity for a close study of the 15th and 16th Century Mogul paintings now owned by the Victoria and Albert Museum. Rich in design, delicate and sure in drawing, and full of grace and color, these plates held him enthralled, much as they had, as he later learned, enthralled William Morris, the English master of design, upon their entrance to England in the late '80s.

What started out to be for Sheets a two-year trip, yielded him, in four months of constant application, such a wealth of material that from London he again returned to America, impatient to get back into the studio where he could transfer material and ideas to new and fresh canvases, and once more give out something of the richness of his experience. In his studio I have seen (and to see is to want to sit down and enjoy, over and over again) the results of this trip, and have found that they total, for four months' work, thirty-five colored designs for tapestries and wall decorations, sixty superb pencil drawings from France and Italy, sixteen water colors, and thirty-five oil paintings. Truly, taking into account the necessary time consumed in travel from place to place with the inconvenience of local trains and small town hotels, the thousands of things that must be seen before one is selected for delineation, here indeed is a quantity of work for four months that bespeaks a robust and vigorous workman and a determined spirit.

A fitting climax to his work abroad was the recent announcement of the acceptance, for hanging in the Fall Salon in Paris, of Sheets' oil painting, "Guatemala."
THE SKYSCRAPERS, New York’s invention and America’s proudest architectural boast, may yet be the ruin of New York and many another American city unless we do something about them. They are another proof that man’s cleverness is generally far in advance of his intelligence, that his ingenuity in devising new instruments of civilization is by no means accompanied by any resourcefulness or imagination in handling them. The skyscraper was born of the realization that if you pile floor-space vertically, instead of spreading it horizontally, you can easily house an acre full of people in a hundred-foot square. Like all brilliant discoveries, this was a simple one; and if it had been intelligently handled, would have made New York or any other city a paradise to live in; for if only part of the space so liberated had actually been left free, the American metropolis would have been a series of towers surrounded by areas of parks, gardens and drives.—Deems Taylor, The City That Died of Greatness, Vanity Fair, November, 1928.

"The human being is the principal [of the stage-setting of the Metropolis of Tomorrow], yet it must be realized . . . . that the builders [of the City] must at least have been lacking in the two attributes usually assigned to principals—clear sense of the situation and manifest ability to control it. Is the set well designed? Indeed, it is not designed at all! It is true that in individual fragments of the set here and there—individual buildings—we see the conscious hand of the architect. But in speaking, as we are, of the city as a whole, it is impossible to say that it did more than come to be built; we must admit that, as a whole, it is no work of conscious design."—Hugh Ferriss, The Metropolis of Tomorrow.

We have seen how the modern program of the single building has become more and more complicated, due to the vastly increased scale on which modern enterprise is conducted, and the ingenuity with which inventions have answered old needs, and made new needs and answered them. These problems have been solved by the modern architect—well solved—an architecture of our own age is shaping itself, as good an architecture, in the average, as that of most periods of past history, if we consider individual examples.

But if we think of architecture in terms of groups of buildings—that is a different story. When seen from above, New York, the most representative American city from the standpoint of architecture, looks like a table in the shop of a dealer in antique glass—crowded with vases or jars or other pieces, many of which are interesting in and by themselves, but which are not composed in their relation to each other on the table. Our architecture of today is also an unintelligent grouping of miscellaneous buildings, many of them beautiful.

This is a result of our civilization, very democratic, made up of a large number of individuals who insist upon thinking and acting as individuals, in a selfish way, with little or no thought to the general good, or the good of posterity.

In earlier times, the "client" was a prince of some sort, who not only had the money with which to build, and resources to carry out great projects, but felt a responsibility to the public; and this thought of the good of the "common people" was manifested in such examples of city planning as the fora of the Roman emperors, the "places" or city squares of the French Kings, the plazas of the Rome of the Popes.

Some of our citizens have amassed the wealth of princes, and have built for themselves residences on a scale comparable to that of the Palace of Versailles, or have built for the general good hospital or college buildings, or even groups of college buildings about quadrangles. But improvement in our cities must come from a popular demand, and will result from mass action rather than individual undertaking. The holders of land, valuable because of its location, have usually the attitude of the exploiter, to squeeze the last penny’s worth of financial opportunity out of it, without regard for the well-being of neighbors. And so buildings have been considered as individual pieces, not as parts of compositions of pieces.

But a country whose foremost citizens have the mental acuteness of the leaders of modern life—of business, of the professions—will not long be satisfied with this short-sighted conception of a city. Even our politicians, when visiting Europe for the first time, are struck with the ordered arrangement of certain cities, and talk of the beauty of the Place de la Concorde, and the Piazza del Popolo; and the average citizen, the voter who, in the aggregate, takes the place of the "king" of old, is becoming interested in the ordered arrangement of a city and its growth, and will soon be demanding, first, a study of the development of his city, and then the execution of these plans.

We already have zoning laws restricting the height and type of occupancy of buildings. But this is only negative provision for the future. There are city plans for Washington, D. C., for Chicago, and for portions, usually the " Civic center," of other cities. But city planning in the terms of our modern civilization is only in its infancy. The cities of the old world, some of them excellent solutions for a day gone by, both aesthetically and practically, will not serve as complete models for the city of the future, for two reasons. The skyscraper has come to stay; and traffic is immeasurably greater than ever before.
Right—A new idea of an ingenious architect for future housing. Hung on a central concrete core from which the floor construction is cantilevered, the outer walls may thus be mainly of glass. There are many ingenious devices; radiators are done away with, and heating is by means of horizontal piping, as was done in schools some twenty years ago; there are metal wardrobes for clothes, metal dining tables pivoted to swing into the living room, and, of course, kitchenettes with metal fittings. The bedrooms and bath are on the floor above.

Left—While the ideas here suggested are ingenious, they are not satisfying in many ways. To people brought up in rectangular rooms these queerly shaped spaces with no right angles would be irritating. Even the bathtubs are longer on one side than on the other, to say nothing of the built-in beds; and if a guest too many came to dine, and was seated at the "head" of the table, he would hurt his neck trying to converse equally with the others at the table. One wall of each bedroom is pierced with large diamond-shaped openings between the braces of the cantilever trusses, and through these holes come the only light and air to the bedroom—as well as the conversation and cigar smoke of those who like to "sit up a while longer." The fireplaces are sham; if the elevators are not running the only way to reach the street is through the private entry of everyone living below you down to the ground level—ingenious, but not very comfortable to live in.
Here is a suggestion for a city having enormous buildings, covering six or eight city blocks, at the "centers" of a city—one center for administration, one for business, one for art, one for religion, etc.—with lower buildings in between the big buildings, being like "mountains in a wide plain." Such towers would have commanding positions, and would be designed from the viewpoint of sculptural composition. Perhaps the business center would be more adequately expressed as a mountain range, rather than as a mountain peak, and such a range of high buildings would be even more impressive, and retain some of the picturesque qualities of modern New York, while achieving the light and air now so lacking.

Another City of Towers. Such towers would have "unusual values as to exposure, light, and air; but probably the greatest virtue of this proposal lies in the implied simplification of transportation. The vertical transportation is, in these narrow towers, visibly centralized, and the entire ground level, throughout the city, is made available for horizontal traffic." In high buildings the elevators are separated into groups serving sets of floors at succeeding heights. At the top of every such division one group of elevators stop—and space is saved. The base of such a tower as this would be little but elevators, unless several cars, one over the other, are run in one elevator shaft. There is thus a logical reason for the "set-back" building.
The skyscraper is the result of American civilization, and to most Americans expresses in concrete and vivid form the ingenuity, skill, and organizing ability of modern America. With the skyscraper has come the resultant congestion of all means of communication—by subway and elevated, by pedestrians, and to a tremendous extent the congestion of vehicular traffic.*

*"We usually feel that the traffic situation is getting a little worse every day. Certainly every year, if not quite every day, it is becoming perceptibly several degrees more congested and is now rapidly approaching the point of public danger. At the avenues and streets of a city are nothing less than its arteries and veins, we may well ask what doctor would venture to promise bodily health if he knew that the blood circulation was steadily growing more congested. With a very few exceptions (such as the Super-highway project of Detroit) no design for urban traffic is now being proposed that can truly be called masterly. This is the problem of problems that must be comprehended if we are adequately to visualize the future city." Hugh Ferriss, "The Metropolis of Tomorrow." Many are the prophets who are crying of these evils, some suggesting remedies, others only foretelling the inevitable doom of civilization as we know it.

Today our citizens jostle each other into subway cars where they must stand, crowded together uncomfortably, for half an hour; they push their way through the crowds at railway stations daily; crowds that a few years ago were met once a year at circus time; they take taxicabs to cross from one railway station to another—at a slower pace than they could walk. But this is a democratic age; a country of and for "the people." Ultimately the people will realize that all this is very stupid; that such discomforts are no more necessary today than was bad drinking water a few years ago; when they so decide, the art of city planning will begin to develop at as rapid a pace as our skyscraper buildings have developed. Many ideas have been tentatively advanced. Harvey Wiley Corbett long ago suggested streets at three levels—subways at the bottom, vehicular traffic on the ground level (with parking space under all buildings), pedestrian traffic at a higher level, carried across the street intersections by

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**"FREEHOLD MAISONETTES"—GENERAL VIEW OF ONE BLOCK AND DETAILS OF GARDENS**

From "Towards a New Architecture," by Le Corbusier

"The drawings show the arrangement of a group of 100 maisonettes disposed in five stories, each maisonette having two floors and its own garden. A communal service provides for all necessities and provides the solution to the servant question (which is only just beginning and is an insoluble social fact). Modern achievement, applied to so important an enterprise, replaces human labor by the machine and by good organization; constant hot water, central heating, refrigerators, vacuum cleaners, etc. Servants are no longer of necessity tied to the house; they come here, as they would to a factory, and do their eight hours; in this way an active staff is available day and night. The provision of food, whether cooked or not, is arranged by a special purchasing service, which makes for quality and economy. From a vast kitchen the food is supplied as required to be eaten, either privately or in the communal restaurant. On the roof there is a communal hall for sports and a 300-yard track, and an entertainment hall for the use of the inhabitants. There is the covered court, on the roof of the underground garages, for tennis. 'Standardisation' here comes into its own. The maisonettes represent a type of house arrangement which is rational and sensible without emphasis in any particular direction, but sufficient and practical .... No actual rent is paid; the tenants take shares in the enterprise; these are payable over a period of twenty years, and the interest represents a very low rent."
Attempts are made at enormous cost to build quarters for university students which may reproduce the poetry of the old buildings at Oxford. A costly poetry, disastrously so! The modern student is in any case inclined to protest against an old-world Oxford; an old-world Oxford is the dream of the modern Maecenas, the donor of such a university quarter. What the student wants is a monk's cell, well lit and heated, with a corner from which he can look at the stars. His cell should be self-contained, as far as possible. Every student has a right to exactly the same type of cell; it would be invidious that the poor student should occupy a cell different from that of the rich student. Each 'cell' has its ante-chamber, its kitchen, its W.C., its living room, its sleeping loft, its roof garden—economy, efficiency, and architecture? We can always achieve this when the problem is clear...

A CITY OF TOWERS—A CITY PLANNING SUGGESTION BY LE CORBUSIER IN 1920

A project for 60-story office buildings, 700 feet high and 1200 to 1500 feet apart. "In spite of the great area devoted to the surrounding parks, the density of a normal town of today is multiplied many times over. It is evident that such buildings would necessarily be devoted exclusively to business offices and that their proper place would therefore be in the center of great cities, with a view to eliminating the appalling congestion of the main arteries; these, with their motor tracks built over them, allow of easy, or rapid, or very rapid circulation of traffic." Compare with Hugh Ferris' towers scheme on page 167. Perhaps, in this day of the telephone, business could comfortably be conducted in such buildings; the outlook would be a bit monotonous, however.
bridges. Others have suggested variations of this idea. Already in Chicago practically this is now in operation on Wacker drive: certainly in the centers of crowded cities, where land has risen to tremendous values, some such scheme is almost inevitable. But for the smaller cities, and for the less dense portions of the great cities, an adequate widening of streets, or cutting of new wide streets—such as the Boulevard Raspail cut through Paris as long ago as 1910—seems a more reasonable, more healthy and withal more beautiful solution.

Another suggestion is the "daughter-city," the arrangement of a series of subsidiary towns around the perimeter of a great city, each with its administrative center, its business and professional areas, its centers for recreation and amusement. In many cases existing nearby towns have developed into this sort of "daughter-city." At other times such a place has been planned consciously as a unit, and built at one time. Such a one is the new city of Elisabethville in Belgium, six kilos from Meulan, on the Seine river. It is constructed on a radiating plan, with wide streets, and parks placed along the streams, at the disposal of the dwellers and promenaders, and a bathing beach. "It is without doubt the best means to resolve the crisis of housing, and also the social (servant) question, to create not far from large cities, amiable and gay centers from which are banished the barrack-like houses so mediocre from a social and hygienic standpoint, and where employed people of moderate circumstances, small renters, may become, by ingenious arrangements, proprietors of their own homes."* But any development in city planning will require the study of the grouping of buildings—buildings will have to be studied in their relation to each other, and to the city as a whole. The architects are ready for such a study—so far there has not been the opportunity, which must result both from legislation and from economic causes. The legislation will come, for the voters will soon demand some such organized planning, and until that time it is better that no laws be passed, for they are just as apt to be short-sighted and restrictive as otherwise. The economic pressure

*A Project in City Planning by André Ventre and E. Ailland (France)

Model exhibited at the Salon d'Automne, Paris, 1928. Here again the sides of an important avenue and of a city square are treated symmetrically; there are separate levels for motor and pedestrian traffic. By uniting all interior courts into one large court light and air are secured for all rooms. Such a development means a single ownership of a large amount of property, or at least a willingness to collaborate on the part of all the owners. "Trees" are shown on the large avenue; unfortunately when the traffic ways are cared for below there is little ground left for tree roots; unburned motor gases, which act like poison to trees, must find their way up from below, and high buildings along such an avenue cut the number of hours of sun almost in half. One has only to look at the trees in the squares of our cities today to be pessimistic about any verdure in the future that is not of the kind that can be renewed from the greenhouse every year.

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These architects have composed their buildings so that when looking toward any street it is framed symmetrically. Most architects if given the opportunity to design a group of buildings surrounding a public square would be guided by such considerations; since the days of the great kings there has been little opportunity to do so. It is likely that this will be more and more the case, however, now that the "common people" are becoming collectively king, and that in time a single building on such a square could not be rebuilt without definite plans as to the rest.
is already working in such a direction. The requirement of the New York Zoning law that towers may be built to any height on twenty-five per cent of a building plot, behind certain restrictive lines, has already caused development in the direction of the assembling of larger and larger parcels of land for building, for only in that way can towers be built sufficiently large to have income producing space in addition to the great number of elevators requisite in high buildings. This has also resulted in greater opportunities for the Architect in composing his building: it is less and less stopped by party walls, more and more being built surrounded on all sides by streets. In the future several blocks will be composed together: if the ownership is common, the blocks may be built into one unit.

The time is ripe, the stage is set, the men who work the puppets—for so the architects may be called—know their parts and are ready for the show.

Perhaps the one pessimistic note is that the city of the future would seem to be a city without any vegetation, or else with concrete trees such as were "grown" at the Paris Exposition of Decorative Arts in 1925. For trees will not grow, can not breathe, when surrounded by unburned automobile gas, and that, in this day of bigger and bigger years for the motor manufacturers, is their continual atmosphere. It is likely that unless some sort of hardy species of tree can be found, it will be necessary to go to the country to see one, just as we now go there to show the children a cow—or a horse.

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SUGGESTION FOR A CIVIC CENTER, CITY HALL PARK, EMBODYING THE SPIRIT OF NEW YORK
FRANCIS S. SWALES, ARCHITECT

In this drawing by Mr. Swales he proposes "that the Old Post Office and the Court House be removed, and that the buildings on the north side of Chambers Street, including the Hall of Records and the Industrial Bank be removed to make room for a new building between Broadway and Center Street." "With the Old Post Office gone, this great structure, towering a thousand feet above City Hall Park, and with ample space about it for light and air, would command one of the most imposing sites in the city."—From "Mastering a Metropolis," by R. L. Duffu.
The majority of men in the building business are consistently honest. The fierce light of competition makes it impossible for a crook to survive for long. Occasionally a man or firm with a slippery reputation seems to flourish like the green bay tree, but sooner or later disappears into the obscurity which follows failure and loss of confidence of his fellows. Every unit of the building world is so interwoven with other units that the dishonest contractor quickly acquires the bar sinister. He finds it increasingly difficult to get work, and either quits or moves on to some other field where he can make a fresh start.

Not that all honest people survive, and only the dishonest fail. Unfortunately, that kind of poetic justice does not obtain consistently. Many an honest builder fails, sometimes after a lifetime of successful effort. Changing methods, more scientifically conceived organization, greater access to capital, all these and other factors, to say nothing of the ordinary hazards which are a constant threat to the business life of the builder, combine to cast down many worthy men.

An architect must have his eyes open all the time, however, for that minority species, the crooked contractor. His experiences with such, when he finds them, are sometimes amusing, sometimes painful, but always interesting.

My first encounter with a "smooth guy" was in connection with a large government building. Architects in another city planned it and associated me with them to supervise the construction. All went smoothly until the structure was ready to plaster. The plastering contractor was a large, fleshy man of foreign appearance. The other contractors called him "guinea," which crude designation he resented, informing me he was of Italian extraction, born in America. There were more than thirty thousand yards of plaster to be applied on metal lath. This calls for a "scratch coat," a "brown coat," and a finishing coat, the plaster to be allowed to set between each coat. On wood lath only two coats are applied. Mr. "Guinea" came to me one day with a proposition.

"I will take the responsibility. No one will know of the change but you and the foreman, and he says all right if you say so. I get you a better job—the best job plasterer you ever see. I get good reputation; twenty years first class plasterer. All the big companies get me to plaster for 'em. Let me show you real job plaster. This scratch coat business—no good! Out of date! I do all my work two-coat now. You be glad when you see my work. Other architects be glad. When I get done you say, 'Fine job, you know your business, I recommend you.'" Bending his face to my ear he lowered his voice.

"You let me get you good job—two-coat work. I take care of you. I get you neatest tailor-made suit, overcoat and hat in town!"

I thanked him politely but advised him firmly that there must be three coats, and a first class job throughout.

Thirty thousand yards at a saving of ten cents per yard—$3,000.00! He could well afford to exchange some good clothes for that.

Let it not be inferred that all foreigners are grafters, but Latin peoples have a very different conception of ordinary business ethics from Anglo-Saxons. This is well recognized in the building world. Even at that, the American crook is more dangerous, for the while the Latin tries to take open advantage of every little opportunity to save himself a dollar, the American grafters tries to deceive you into thinking he is giving you what he is not. The foreigner is apt to be technical, and refuse to do some simple thing that is properly but perhaps not specifically a part of his work. The American, if he is honest, will do all that appertains to his work without question. But if he is dishonest, he will pretend to do so, and skim where you cannot find it.

A Mexican draftsman, a man of fine education, worked for me for several years. He introduced me to a Cuban who had set up as a builder. The Cuban was intelligent, educated, and ingratiating. Learning that I had been commissioned by a wealthy man to plan some commercial shops, he came to me with a proposition.

He wanted to build those stores. He would like for me to recommend him to my client. He said that I knew that it was customary for builders to charge ten per cent profit on their work. He proposed that I recommend to my client his employment to build the stores at a profit of eight per cent. Of this, he, the builder, would pay to me two per cent. This would be in addition to the regular percentage paid me by my client. I explained that an architect could not serve two masters. He could not get that idea at all, but as he was really a delightful fellow, we parted good friends.

I believe he was thoroughly honest in his viewpoint. The weakness of his idea lay also in the fact that any reputable builder would have been glad to accept the contract for six per cent net over all expenses.

But my first real difficulty with a crook was with a Simon-pure American. He was successful bidder on the institutional building I won in competition the first year of my business career. My situation was
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pregnant with trouble; a young, moderately experienced architect with a large job on hand, a middle-aged, long experienced contractor, known to everyone as the most capable man in building work in that city. He was large, fat, powerful, and domineering. Socially he was jolly and good-natured. The building in question was unusually complicated. The site was altogether too small for the purpose, and endless ingenuity had been expended to make room for various "features" and conveniences.

One fine day this big builder called on me with a great idea. He wanted to change the structural frame from steel to concrete. He would save the building committee a large sum of money.

When I refused to consider it, he appeared crestfallen, and argued for his scheme. I advised him that we had given careful thought to the structural frame, and fully considered reinforced concrete, rejecting it for the reason that the structural members in this building, if of concrete, would be so large they would seriously interfere with the arrangement and use of many parts where space was at a premium.

This did not satisfy him. He went to the members of the committee individually, explaining how eager he was to save them money, which he knew they wanted to save. He also advised them, I later found, that I was ignorant of reinforced concrete work, didn't want to change my plans, and would put the committee to the larger expense rather than do so. Rather insidious propaganda!

He got far enough to have the committee call a special meeting to consider the matter. It was not difficult to show them the disadvantages of concrete for this building. I advised them, if they wanted to consider the change, we would make the necessary drawings and get new bids, as otherwise there was no way to tell how much saving ought to be made. In our opinion the builder was planning to save himself much more than he saved the committee.

Turned down on this, the man became my implacable enemy. He attempted to prevent me from advancing in Masonry, and circulated damaging stories purporting to show my ignorance as a constructor and the "mistakes" I had made. Several times he offered the olive branch, which I accepted. Always this was followed by a request for a concession on the construction which I did not feel justified in allowing. He was in bad shape financially; his bid was probably too low in the first place, and he had hoped to make up a profit by other devices. An older man than myself would no doubt have handled him more diplomatically, had less trouble, and still hewed to the line. He finally went into bankruptcy and the building was completed by his bondsmen.

Since that time, serious and costly defects developed in other structures he erected. Our building showed no structural defects after years of use. I have always regretted having had such an enemy, but it seemed unavoidable.

Much of the trouble and most of the temptations to fraud in the building industry are due to the competitive system of building, with its chance-taking elements. Some strong and reputable firms have devised systems of building on a fair cost-plus system that obviates the temptation to skim. These methods are not fool-proof. Many are the ways to pad a cost-plus price. Without deliberate padding, costs may be unduly run up by excessive charges for overhead, plant equipment, etc.

Striking examples of this were seen during the rush of Great War preparation. Large contracting concerns were employed on a basis of cost plus ten per cent profit. Soon scandalous stories were on the tongues of mechanics and workmen. Twenty-five bricklayers would be at work on a wall where half that number could scarcely be used. Ten men were sent down into a pit to build a brick cistern where five had barely elbow room. A hundred carpenters would be set to work sawing by hand lumber that could be sawn in a fourth the time by machine, and with a tenth of the labor.

A temporary hospital was built at a cost of more than four hundred thousand dollars, the builders receiving ten per cent clear profit. Later, after costs had gone up and labor became more scarce, the authorities found it necessary to double the unit. Cognizant of the rumors going about as to graft, they decided to take bids. The appropriation asked for was six hundred thousand dollars, the difference representing the estimated rise in labor and materials.

The successful bidder got the contract for about two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or a saving of about one hundred and fifty thousand dollars under the cost of the first unit, built when prices were low!

Not all government agencies were inveigled into such loose methods, however. The United States Housing Corporation, organized to provide industrial housing for war workers, was a notable exception.

Headed by a practical builder of great experience, government interests were protected. While army officers were being fooled into paying enormous sums for property recently purchased by speculators, this corporation bought land at fair pre-war market prices.

My own experience with attempted or suggested graft was very personal. Soon after securing a large contract for a government project, a contractor friend called on me. He just wanted to give me some fatherly advice.

"You now have a chance to make good, financially. Don't let it slip. The war will be over some day, and the government will forget all about you. You can get a commission on everything that goes into those buildings. Get it! Salt down your savings and when the war is over you will be fixed for life!"

This man was well up in Masonry, and had a good reputation in the city as a business man and contractor. Astonished at his suggestion, I let him down easy by saying I feared I was not clever enough to handle things that way. This was true, as a number of grafters found out after the war. Some, however, "got by" and have since been both purse proud and affluent.

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THE GEOMETRY OF ARCHITECTURAL DRAFTING

PART 8—JUST TOUCHING ON THE CIRCLE

By Ernest Irving Freese
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THERE IS scarcely a drawing made in the drafting-room that does not involve, directly or indirectly, the determination of straight line tangents to given circles or circular arcs. In fact problems arise which, at first sight, have nothing whatsoever to do with the circle, yet which, in the final analysis, reduce to this one general problem of drawing a tangent to a circle under certain given conditions. This Part, then, completely covers this phase of drafting-room geometry. Every general solution, and every particular application of same herein shown or suggested, will be found usable in actual practice. Some of them are exceedingly simple. None of them are exceedingly complex. All of them are exceedingly practical.

PROBLEM 1: To draw a tangent to a circle from a given point on the circumference. This is one of the “three fundamentals” mentioned in Part 1, and therein “solved” both in the ancient Euclidean style and in the modern drafting-room manner. See Figure 1, Diagrams “C” and “E,” of Part 1. Or, referring to Figure 70, herewith, assume for the time being that point T of Diagram “1” is the given point, on the circle Y, from which the required tangent must be drawn. Then mn, drawn perpendicular to gT, and through T, is the tangent required. Now reverse the problem, and you have:

PROBLEM 2: To detect the tangent point of a given straight line and circle. This is as easy as the other—easier—but, somehow, it seems to be more forgettable! Merely cross the tangent with a perpendicular to same projected from the center of the circle. The point of crossing, T, defines the exact point of tangency. And if you think you can locate it “by eye”—try this: Swing an arc of, say, a foot radius. Shift the center a few inches along a horizontal and draw another arc of the same radius. Cross the first arc with a vertical projected from its center, and through this point draw the horizontal tangent to both arcs. Now “detect” the point of tangency of the second arc by eye. Then project a vertical from the second center and see how good a detective your eye is. If you came within a sixteenth of an inch of “hitting” the true tangent point, your eyes are better than the average. If you hit it exactly—well, there’s just one chance in a hundred of doing that! For the intersection “point” of that straight line and circle is just one hundred times as long as the thickness of the lines used. So if your lines are half a hundredth of an inch thick—why then that straight line, representing the tangent, traverses one half inch of the length of that arc during its “tangency.” You have already been made aware of the fact, in Part 7 at Figure 59, that a tangent, instead of “just touching” a circle, intersects it. So don’t ruin your eyes and waste a lot of valuable time guessing at points of tangency: locate them geometrically—it’s faster and more precise. Now we’ll try one in which the center is off the board:

PROBLEM 3: To draw a tangent, or radial, from a given point on a circular arc: the center being INACCESSIBLE.

Solution 1: (Figure 71) The given arc is AB. The given point is C. The required line is the tangent, T, or the radial R. From C as a center, radius as large as convenient, cross AB at 1 and 2. Through C, parallel with the imaginary chord 2-1, draw the required tangent T. Or, through C, perpendicular to 2-1, draw the required radial R. This Figure also shows the simple instrumental manipulation to produce these lines. But possibly the given point occurs at the end of the arc. What then? Oh, there’s two or three ways of getting around this situation. Here’s one:

Solution 2: (Diagram “2” of Figure 72) From C, space off along the arc any three equal distances, C1, 1-2 and 2-3. Through 2 project a line parallel with 3-1, and cross this at 4 with a line perpendicular to 2C projected through 1. Then a line projected from 4 through C is the required tangent T. And a line perpendicular to this, through C, is the required radial R. Note that this is all manipulation—parallels and perpendiculars. The chords indicated on the diagram, for clarity, need not be drawn at all. But here’s still another way that the tangent or radial can be drawn from or near the end of the arc:

Solution 3: (Diagram “3” of Figure 72) From C as a center, with any radius r, draw an arc crossing the given one at I, and space off 1-2 with same radius. With the chord 2C,
To locate any number of points in continuation of a given arc

To detect the tangent point of a given straight line and circular arc, or to find the point where the straight line ends and the curve begins; the center being inaccessible.

Solution: (Diagram "1" of Figure 72) The given arc is Y. The given straight line is S. And the required tangent point, or junction, is T. From any point I, as far as practicable from the vicinity of the required point T, project another tangent, I6, to cross the given tangent S (or its prolongation Sa) at point 4. (If the crossing is so acute as to render point 4 obscure, use the detective recourse of Problem 15, Part 7, Figure 65.) From 4 as a center, revolve 1 to the required point T. Now then, if you rack your brains sufficiently, possibly you'll recall an abstract statement that you used to abstractedly "recite" to your abstracted professor: namely, the two tangents drawn from any one point outside a circle are equal in length, and make equal angles with the line joining their vertex to the center. Moreover, you could prove it—-you had to be able to prove it—that was a very essential part of your memorized higher education. But of what earthly use it could be, other than "training your mind," neither you nor your tutor could tell. Euclid was neither an architect nor an engineer: he was a mathematician. If he had been all three, and had equipped himself with a drafting-board, a T-square and a few papyrus triangles—well, the instrument manufacturers would have been kept quite busy for the last twenty-two hundred

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years fulfilling their contracts with the institutions of learning, and the drafting-board, itself, would have long since become known as the board of education. As it is, the author of The Geometry of Architectural Drafting respectfully suggests that, to consummate the anachronism, Euclid be taught in Latin. They’re both dead languages to the average student who, glibly reeling off the queer-sounding phrases of each, vaguely wonders “what they’re all about.” And he seldom finds out in the classroom. And he promptly forgets both outside the classroom. Moreover—oh yes, those two tangents: I’ll show you a few more ways to use them after a while. So we’d better get along. Meanwhile, here’s another one you can often apply:—

PROBLEM 6: To draw a tangent to a circle perpendicular to a given line.

Solution: (Diagram “1” of Figure 70) The given circle is Y. The given line is kl. And the required tangent is mn. Cross Y at T with a line from g paralleling kl. Through T, which is the tangent point needed, project the required tangent, mn, perpendicular to kl.

Figure 73, along with some other useful information, contains a practical working-out of PROBLEM 6. The location of the garage is fixed in relation to the front lot line lv, and it is required to plot the lines of the driveway so as to use the minimum amount of paving, that is, as to reach the street by the shortest possible route consistent with the practical operation of the car. The car dimensions “1,” “2,” and “3,” as well as the minimum front-wheel turning radius, ge, and the width of the garage opening through which the car is to pass, must be known or assumed. Now we can go. Parallel with the face ab of the garage, and at the perpendicular distance “1” therefrom, draw the prolonged line ge, which line passes through the rear axle when the front bumper is in line with ab. On ge locate f by the perpendicular af, which latter line then represents both the inner edge and the necessary length of the straight portion of the driveway and is exactly in line with the corresponding door jamb at a. Now, from the allotted width of opening through which this car is to pass, subtract the tread-dimension “3.” Make fd equal to half of this difference. Then, still on the line ge, lay off from d the width of tread “3,” and then, perpendicular to ge, lay off the wheel-base-dimension “2” as shown, thus fixing point c which, practically, may be assumed as the point of contact of the cramped outer wheel and the paving. Actually, of course, it is the point of contact of the straightened-out wheel instead of the cramped wheel. But there’s no necessity of “splitting hairs” here. So, with the minimum front-wheel turning radius in your compass, and with center at c cross ge at point g, which latter is the required center from which to swing the arcs of the driveway. Hence, from center g, radius gf, draw in a portion of the circle Y defining the now given inner curve of the drive, but leaving the required point T, where the curve swings into the straightaway, still to be determined. PROBLEM 6 now comes into bearing. The circle Y, or a sufficient portion of it is given. The lot line kl is given. And it is now required to draw the tangent mn perpendicular to kl. Note that the same reference letters are used in this application as in the general solution given at Diagram “1” of Figure 70. Now you do it. Then draw in the outer
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FIGURE 75

1. SEE FIG. 65, PART 7.

2. SPRING LINE
   GIVEN: RADIUS gb & ROOF PITCH.
   SEE FIG. 70, DIAG. 2.

3. LINE OF CENTERS
   POINT P BISECTS ag
   TL = PERP. TO Ta
   GIVEN: RADIUS gb & RISE ca.
   SEE FIG. 70, DIAG. 3.

4. gu = ga
   uv = 2 x b
   SEE FIG. 70, DIAG. 4.

5. POINT P BISECTS ag
   at = at
   PROPORTIONS:
   SPAN bo = 24 PARTS
   RISE ca = 11 PARTS
   RAD. gb = 3 PARTS
   CONSTRUCTION APPLIES REGARDLESS OF PROPORTIONS

6. gu = ga
   uv = 2 x b

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line of the driveway, using, as radius, the front-wheel turning radius $gc$ PLUS a foot or more leeway to avoid scratching that far front fender on the contiguous shrubbery or running off into the garden to make the whole car moves as a unit about center $g$ as if rigidly fixed to the radial line of the driveway, using, as radius, the front-wheel.

Hence, the minimum turning radius requires the maximum width of driveway. Now some other mathematician can "figure out" whether, after all, the route shown is the most economical of paving. Maybe there's a longer route out" whether, after all, the route shown is the most shortest.

radius" any length you like!

The required arc, $r$, was then drawn from center $r$ to corner $v$ and from corner $v$ to corner $w$ was given, and the radius of the curved portion was noted thereon. But neither the center $r$ nor the tangent point $k$ were marked. Both, however, were utilized in the laying out of the grounds. They were found quickly in the following manner: From about the mid point $v'$, of the arc, the radial, $R$, was projected in accordance with the manipulation herefore shown at Figure 71. The given radius was then laid off from $v'$ to $r$—it being not so great, in this case, as to throw $r$ off the board. From the thus fixed center, $r$, a line projected perpendicular to the straight portion of the front lot line located $k$, the required tangent point where the straight part ends and the curve begins. The line $sk$ then marked the limit of the straight portion of the front terrace, as shown. The required arc, $st$, was then drawn from center $r$, thus determining the point $t$ where a necessary retaining wall, $vt$, ended. If the radius, $v't'$, had not been noted on the survey, then $r$ could have been found by projecting any two radials until they met. And if this radius had been so great as to throw the meeting of the radials off the board—that is, if the center $r$ had been inaccessible—then the tangent point $k$ could readily have been detected by the method given at Diagram "1" of Figure 72, heretofore. And the required curve $st$ could have been drawn optically tangent to a close-together consecutive series of arcs centered on the given arc $kv$ and of radius $ks$—or it could have been drawn through a similar series of definite points found by marking off the distance $ks$, with the compass, on a number of radials of which $ks$ would be the first.

**PROBLEM 7:** To draw a tangent to a circle parallel with a given line.

**Solution:** (Diagram "2" of Figure 70) The given arc is $Y$. The given line is $ab$. And the required tangent is $de$, parallel to $ac$. Note that two solutions are possible: that is, the tangent $de$ would also meet the requirement stated in the general problem.

The above problem is one of daily occurrence in the drafting-room. Its practical applications are many and varied: some immediately obvious, others latent. One useful application has heretofore been shown in Part 3, in the "layout detail" of the roof lines of Figure 17—this Figure also indicating the instrumental manipulation to produce said tangent. Others are given herewith at Figure 74, Diagrams "1", "3", and "4," and another at Diagram "2" of Figure 75. All applications carry the same reference letters as used in the general solution at Diagram "2" of Figure 70. Note that, in the particular cases shown in Figure 74, the given circle to which the required tangents are drawn is purely structural: it is an expedient utilized to avoid time-wasting duplication or repetition of scale-measurement each side of a given or imaginary center line. This is particularly striking in Diagram "4," where this simple recourse has reduced twelve otherwise necessary measurements to two: these two being the radii of the two circles used to establish the required equality of measurement. In Diagram "2" of Figure 75, however, the given circle is neither latent nor imaginary—it is the actual haunch curve of the arched roof, and the required tangent thereto is established in direction either by the given rise and run of the roof or by the given pitch expressed by the angular measurement $A$.

It is now evident that the general PROBLEMS, 6 and 7, are particular cases of the still more general problem of drawing a tangent to a circle at any given angle or, which is the same thing, in any given direction. In general, then, to locate the tangent point, simply project a line from the center of the circle to cross the circumference in a direction perpendicular to the required direction of the tangent. Then, through the point of crossing, or possibly through the two points of crossing, draw the one or two tangents as the given conditions may require. In Diagram "2" of Figure 70, for instance, if the given angular direction of the required tangent were $A$, then the direction perpendicular to this, which establishes the radial angle that locates $T$ or $T'$, is 90 degrees minus $A$, or the complement of the given angle. Now let's see what we can do about it if the center of the circle is—somewhere else instead of on the board:—

**PROBLEM 8:** To draw a tangent to a circular arc parallel with a given line: the center being INACCESSIBLE.

**Solution 1:** (Diagram "6" of Figure 70) The given arc is $Y$. The given line is $ab$. And the required tangent is $fg$. Fix any two chord points, $c$ and $d$, in a line paralleling $ab$. Then the perpendicular bisector of $cd$ will cross $Y$ at the required tangent point $T$. Hence, through $T$, draw the required tangent, $fg$, parallel with $ab$.

As in PROBLEMS 6 and 7, this is a particular solution of the general problem of drawing a tangent at any given angle under the stated con-
To draw a tangent to a circle or circular arc from any given point on another tangent.

Solution: (Diagram “1” of Figure 70) The given circle is Y. The one given tangent is \( bc \).

And \( bT' \) is the other required tangent. First detect the tangent point \( c \) of the given tangent, unless it is already definitely fixed. Then, from the given point \( b \) as a center, radius \( bc \), cross the circle at the other required tangent point \( T' \) as shown. Then \( bT' \) is the required second tangent, and it is exactly the same length as the given one \( bc \). This valuable property of the circle has been utilized in a somewhat unusual manner in the three applications shown in Figure 76, which Figure carries the reference letters used in the general solution. Also, the process of tangent-point detection heretofore divulged at Diagram “1” of Figure 72 is a utilization of the same principle. The more usual and oft-occurring application of this basic property is, however, in the determination of arc centers when any two tangents are known or given. An instance of this is shown at Diagram “2” of Figure 77. In this instance, which is typical of many others met with in the drafting-room, the general problem becomes reversed. Here, the lines \( ab, cd \) and \( gh \) are given and the tangent arcs are required—hence, their centers. In the case shown, the points \( e \) and \( j \) will have been fixed by the conditions of the case. Hence: to locate the other points of tangency, \( T \) and \( T' \), on \( ab \), merely revolve the given points from one given tangent to the other, using the intersection point of each pair of tangents as a center. Then through each pair of tangent points, project lines perpendicular to the respective tangents. These projected lines will be radial, or normals, and will therefore cross at the required centers, 1 and 2, as shown. The most common use of this reversed process is in connection with stair rail ramps and eavesments.

This has been illustrated heretofore in Part 1 at Diagram “A” of Figure 4, and again in Part 6 at Diagram “2” of Figure 52. The locating of the center for the roof sweep of Figure 50, Part 5, is also a particular application of the same geometry. Finally, suppose you want to “round off” any angle by an arc passing through a fixed or given point on the bisector of the angle. You can do it real suddenly by utilizing what you now know about this pair of accommodating tangents. But I’ve shown you this one too—at Diagram “4” of Figure 77.

PROBLEM 10: To draw a tangent to a circle from a given point outside the circumference.

Solution 1: (Diagram “3” of Figure 70) The given circle is \( Y \). The given point is \( a \). And the required tangent is \( aT \). Bisect \( ag \) at point \( p \), and from this point as a center, radius \( pg \) or \( pa \), cross \( Y \) at \( T \) or \( T' \). Either one of these points might be the tangent point required, since, as you now know, from any point outside a circle two tangents may be drawn. Hence, draw the required tangent either through \( a \) and \( T \), or through \( a \) and \( T' \), as the particular solution demands or makes possible. Two general methods of bisecting \( ag \) are shown: the straight...
Euclidean and the straight manipulative. When using the Euclidean method, endeavor to make the radius of the twin arcs approximate in length the side of a square of which the line to be bisected is the diagonal. The arcs will then cross at about a right angle, thus yielding definite points, \( q \) and \( r \), through which, or between which, the extraneous bisector is projected. In the manipulative method (heretofore illustrated in Part 7 at Figure 62) only one point, say \( q \), is required, and this is fixed by straight lines crossing at an exact right angle. Another general method of bisection is to consider the line to be bisected, \( ag \) for example, as the diagonal of a parallelogram or rectangle, and then cross this diagonal with the other constructed one. This method has been utilized heretofore in Part 1 at Diagram "B" of Figure 4, and is also shown in Part 6 at Diagram "1" of Figure 52.

**Solution 2:** (Diagram "e" of Figure 70) This original method obviates bisection of \( ag \) and, moreover, yields a definite tangent line twice the length of that obtained in Solution 1, above. It is often highly convenient and expedient—especially in constructions where the circle \( Y \) becomes purely imaginary and what is actually needed is an extensive tangent to this imaginary circle; as will presently be exemplified. Meanwhile, work out the general solution as follows:

From \( g \) as a center, radius \( ge \), swing the arc \( wew \) and then project \( a \) to \( u \) through \( g \). Then, from \( u \) as a center, and radius equal to the diameter of \( Y \)—which is here \( tr \)—cross the first arc at \( v \) and \( w \). Then, draw \( aw \) or \( auw \), either of which might be the tangent required. They will come tangent to \( Y \) at \( T \) and \( T' \), respectively, which points, if required, can be detected by crossing the tangents with perpendiculars to same projected from \( g \). Or, if one point is so detected, then the other can be found by revolution about \( a \) as a center, as unmistakably indicated in the Diagram.

At Diagram "1" of Figure 74, a practical application of the first solution of PROBLEM 10 is given. In designing the joints of timber trusses, or the joints of any structural framing wherein one member is let into another, the angle in the notch so formed should always be a right angle in order to avoid secondary or "moment" stresses at the framed joints. Moreover, this makes an easy and practical joint for the carpenter to lay out "on the job" with the steel square—which latter seemingly overlooked fact is here purposely and clearly shown at Diagram "2" of this Figure. To detail this type of joint "on the board," it becomes necessary to con-
the diagonals an easy and direct method of locating point a, that is, of bisecting ag.

Two especially apt applications of the second solution of PROBLEM 10 are depicted at Diagrams "I" and "6" of Figure 75. In Diagram "I" the points a and g are fixed by the conditions of the case, and the thickness, b, of the required brace is given or known. Point e is then required. It is quickly found by the method set forth at Diagram "4" of Figure 70— the same reference letters being retained in the applied problem. Note, however, that in this application the circle about center g need not be drawn at all, for the given thickness b, of the brace, is the radius of this imaginary circle, and this thickness, multiplied by two, is the radius that is actually used to establish the required long tangent ac. The line gx is then drawn parallel with this tangent. All of which is clearly indicated in the diagram.

In Diagram "6" of Figure 75, it is desired to use whole brick for the sloping weathering of the offset base course there shown. Moreover, the determination of the slope of this weathering must be accurate, since this slope also establishes the coincident slope of the window sills and, consequently, fixes the required point x for detailing these sills. A structural unit, then, of a given thickness b, must be fitted in between the given points a and g occurring on its opposite sides—which condition is identical with the situation confronting the draftsman in detailing the brace of Diagram “I.” Hence, the second solution of PROBLEM 10 applies here also: the same reference letters being again used. Take especial note, however, of the exceedingly few lines required in the actual working-out of this general problem in the particular cases shown. It is faster, even, than the otherwise commendable and always possible subterfuge of cutting the brick or other member out of paper and fitting it bodily between the given points. Take especial note, also, of the fact that the second solution of PROBLEM 10 is used, in the two typical cases shown, instead of the first solution, because the second yields the long line av which, in the two instances shown, is quite necessary to assure of its accurate and requisite prolongation. Finally, at Diagram "I" of Figure 75, after the long required line av has thus been established, it there suggested that its intersection at e with the vertical wall line be clearly defined by employing one of the simple detective devices heretofore illustrated in Part 7, Figure 65. If this suggestion is followed, and if the mill follows your full-size detail that was made by following my suggestion, that brace will fit when it comes on the job. Inaccurate and careless “eye ball” methods of detailing make just as many “wood butchers” as dull chisels and saws! Now it’s time for another one:—

PROBLEM 11: To draw a tangent to a circular arc from a point outside the arc: the center being INACCESSIBLE.

Solution: (Diagram “I” of Figure 78) The given arc is Y. The given point is a. And the required tangent is aT. Anywhere beyond the vicinity of the required tangent point T, draw a radial R. From a project a line perpendicular to R, crossing the latter at point p. Now, strange to relate, the point p bisects the chord of which e is one known end. Moreover, the line aT, which is the tangent we are going to find, is the “mean proportional” between ae and ab. And this will be so regardless of the length ab. I’m not proving these statements; I’m admitting them. Hence: make ad, perpendicular to ap, the same distance as ep. And from f as a center, radius ad, cross ap at g. Then, from a as a center, revolve g to T on Y. Then T is the exact point of tangency of
the required tangent \( a'T \)—which latter is not such a mean proportional after all! On the contrary, it has proven unhesitatingly obliging. Now then, if the crossing at point \( e \) becomes too acute for accurate definition of said point, then merely move the radial \( K \) farther from \( a \)—possibly to the end of the arc—and proceed exactly as before. Or, if the radial gets so far removed from \( a \) as to make impracticable the locating of point \( p \) by a perpendicular from \( a \); then forget the radial altogether and, instead, project a line directly from \( a \) entirely across the arc, thus forming a full chord \( eb \) which, bisected, will also yield point \( p \). But, if the chord points are then obscure, forsake all of the above methods of locating point \( p \), and first fix the point \( e \) directly on the arc anywhere you choose. Indent this point and then, from \( a \), and through the definitely assumed point \( e \), draw \( aw \). Then, by the following solution, find point \( p \) by bisecting the chord of which \( ew \) is now only a portion:—

**PROBLEM 12:** To bisect a chord of a circular arc: one end of the chord being UNAVAILABLE; the arc center being INACCESSIBLE; and the curvature of the arc being VERY SLIGHT. This sounds like a proposition to determine the unknowable: a small piece of a huge circle and the incomplete sounds like a proposition to determine the unknowable, and the arc center being INACCESSIBLE; and the arc: bears the same reference letters.

Solution: (Diagram “2” of Figure 78) The given arc is \( Y \). The direction of the chord is \( au \), and its one definite extremity is \( e \). And the required bisection-point is point \( p \). And this is how it’s found: Project a radial, \( hj \), through \( e \). Project any other radial, \( cd \), crossing \( au \) at \( o \). Fix any point, \( k \), on \( hj \). Project \( k \) to \( f \) in a direction perpendicular to \( au \). Project \( k \) to \( m \), in a direction paralleling \( cd \). From \( m \), in the direction \( em \), space off \( me \) a sufficient number of times to result in \( em' \) being about one such spacing less than \( eo \). From \( f \), in the direction \( el \), space off \( le \) the same number of times that \( me \) was repeated, thus fixing \( f' \). Project \( m' \) to \( n' \), in a direction paralleling \( ok \). Project \( k \), in a direction paralleling \( n'k' \), to the required bisection-point \( p \). Now, if you like, you can go ahead and perform the other ceremonies required in PROBLEM 11 for drawing a tangent to this arc from the given point \( a \), since the distances \( ep \) and \( ap \) required in that solution are now known. Then compare this construction—or rather manipulation—with that already given at Diagram “7” of Figure 70, and you’ll discover that they are identical in principle. You merely moved the inaccessible center of that arc up to point \( k \), then, by similar triangles, found the point \( p \) through which a radial would pass in a direction perpendicular to the given line \( au \) or \( ab \). If you are mathematically inclined, you can easily prove it. If you’re not inclined to prove it—you can use it. And I shall show you more uses of this valuable principle as the occasions arise. No—you don’t have to remember all this—just remember where you can find it when you want it. Here’s an easier one:—

**PROBLEM 13:** To detect the tangent point of two given circles.

Solution: (Diagram “5” of Figure 70) The two given circles might be either the pair \( Y \) and \( Y' \), one within the other, or the pair \( Y \) and \( Y'' \), one outside the other. Makes no difference. Merely cross either tangential pair with a line projected through, or connecting, their centers, as shown. The point of crossing, \( T \) or \( T' \), as the case may appear, is the required tangent point. Which is easy enough. Coupled with what you have already learned in Part 7 apropos perpendicular bisectors, this equips you to experiment diversely and profitably with the “building up” of all manner of decorative curves composed of circular arcs of which the one shown in Figure 79 is but a single example.

You have, say, rouged in freehand the S-curve of the sawed corbel detailed in said Figure 79. Nothing but your own free will has fixed the start and finish of this curve. The only requirement of this kind is that the curve shall start at point \( a \) and finish somewhere in the vicinity of point \( b \), or vice versa. All right, you have it “sketched out” in a more or less

![FIGURE 79](image-url)
FIGURE 80

...SEE FIGURE 70, DIAGRAM 5...

satisfactory manner: that is, it "looks about right"—satisfies your eye. Now, how can you define this curve, or "ink it in," with the compass? Obviously, if this, or any other smooth compound or reverse curve, is to be made up of circular arcs, these arcs must "flow" into one another—that is, they must be tangentially coalescent. This is how it's done: Place your pencil, or any other instrument that will act as a pivot, at point a. Slide a straightedge into touch with this pivot: the straightedge covering the start of the curve. Now slowly swing the straightedge about the pivot—thus gradually uncovering the curve—until that part of the curve of which the revolving straightedge is the chord appears to deviate from what your eye tells you is a true circular arc. Stop the straightedge at this point (or move it back to same), which is point 1 of Figure 79. The imaginary line la is then the chord of this initial arc. Hence, point 3 where the perpendicular bisector of this chord crosses a radial from a around to 1. Next revolve the straightedge about point I until its edge, 1-4, appears to be the maximum possible chord of the next apparently true arc. The center of this arc will then be point 6 where the perpendicular bisector of 1-4 crosses the projected line of centers 3-1. Don't you see? Point 1 is the tangent point of two tangent circles; hence, as PROBLEM 13 shows, lies on their line of centers. You have merely reversed the process, that's all, and drawn the line of centers 3-6 by first establishing the tangent point 1. You could continue this process of tangent-point-fixation and chord-bisec-tion "from here on out"—but, in this particular case the next arc appears to finish this particular curve. Wherefore, the remaining required center, point 7, lies at the crossing of the line of centers 6-4 and a radial from b, as shown. So, with compass at center 7, you swing the round-up and find that you missed point b, of the "sketched" curve, by the slight distance 8b. In other words, instead of finishing at b, your "built-up" curve ends at 8—which is of no consequence whatsoever, since your own free will may have put the ending there in the beginning. Someone—Hogarth, I believe—defined a reverse curve as "a line of beauty." Some of 'em are. But someone—Hogarth, I believe—hadn't seen 'em all: skirts were longer in those days!

Diagrams "2" and "3" of Figure 75 contain another application of the reversal of PROBLEM 13: that is, the center 1, of the crown arc for the lower chord of the roof truss, is found by projecting a "line of centers" from j or k, and through d or g. This projected line will cross the center-line radial at the required crown center 1, and the thus-found crown radius, lj or lk, fixes the height of the crown above the spring line. Which is certainly quite different from, and much more simple than, the problem of drawing a compound curve—say of a five-centered arch—between absolutely fixed points both at the spring and the crown. You'll have to acquire a little more "geometry" before tackling the latter problem—which'll come along later.

Now, reverting to Diagram "5" of Figure 70, take cognizance of the fact that the common tangent drawn through the point of tangency of either pair of circles is perpendicular to their line of centers. Also note that from any point on such a tangent—from the point t, for instance, on tT—two other equal tangents may be drawn, one to each of the two circles. In other words, if, from any point s, on sT (or from any point s, on sT) a circle be drawn with a radius equal to the length of the tangent occurring between the given point and the common point of tangency, then this circle will pass through, and thus fix, the other two points of tangency x and y (or v and w), as indicated. And this will always hold true.
irrespective of the diameters of the two tangent circles, and regardless of whether they are tangent externally or internally. Consequently, the three tangents concurring at point \( t \) (or point \( s \)) will always be equal in length. And the practical application of this fact to geometric design opens up another field of interesting and profitable endeavor. A few of the many possible and usable geometric combinations based on the foregoing principle are suggested in Figure 80. These Diagrams bear the same reference letters as used in Diagram "5" of Figure 70, hence, require no further discussion but will well repay careful study. This applied principle of three-equal-tangents-to-any-two-tangent-circles often acts as a short-cut to what would otherwise become a problem of angle-bisection to determine the requisite centers for circles inscribed within triangles, parallelograms, etc. In Diagram "2" of Figure 80, however, or in similar cases, the bisector \( yc \) of the angle \( T'ty \), should preferably be employed instead of the normal \( yc \), to locate point \( c \), since the bisector crosses the line of centers at a less acute angle than the normal—as the one dotted line of this Diagram indicates.

**Problem 14:** To draw a tangent common to any two circles.

**Discussion:** (See Figure 81) When one circle occurs inside the other, and apart from it, a common tangent is, naturally, impossible. When one circle occurs inside the other and is tangent to it, one common tangent is possible, as indicated at Diagram "1," Figure 81, and as heretofore shown at Diagram "5" of Figure 70: the line \( rs \), in the latter Figure, being the required tangent, drawn through the tangent point, \( T \), of the two circles, \( Y \) and \( Y' \), and in a direction perpendicular to their line of centers 5-2. When the two circles intersect, as at Diagram "2" of Figure 81, two common tangents are possible. When the two circles are tangent externally, as at Diagram "3" of Figure 81, three common tangents are possible, one of which corresponds to the tangent \( te \) of Diagram "5," Figure 70—being the one drawn through the common point of tangency of the two circles, and perpendicular to their line of centers. When the circles are apart externally, as at Diagram "4" of Figure 81, then four common tangents are possible. The given conditions of the particular case to which the general problem applies will always determine which of the possible tangents is, or are, required. And Diagrams "A" and "B," of Figure 81, typify the general solution for the cases not heretofore presented and explained. The process is as follows:

**Solution:** (Figure 81) The two given circles are \( Y \) and \( Y' \), with centers at \( a \) and \( a' \), respectively. They might be apart externally, tangent externally, or intersecting. First bisect \( aa' \) at 1. Make \( b2 \) equal \( a'b' \), which latter is the radius of the smaller circle. From center \( a \), radius \( a2 \), and from 1 as a center, radius \( l \), cross arcs at 3. Then one required tangent point is \( T \), collinear with \( 3a \). And a line projected from \( a' \), either parallel with \( 3a' \) or perpendicular to \( 3a' \), will cross the other circle at \( T' \), which latter is the other tangent point required. The required tangent, then, is \( TT' \), and you will discover that it is parallel with \( 3a' \) as well as perpendicular to \( 3a \). When one tangent, \( TT' \), is found, and the other one, \( tt' \), is also required, then the points of the latter can quickly be located by the simple processes of revolution clearly indicated in this Figure. At Diagram "A," the point \( c \), where the two tangents cross, is termed the internal center of similitude of the two circles. And at Diagram "B," if the two tangents were prolonged until they, too, crossed, that point would be the external center of similitude. These points possess properties that render them an invaluable aid in what would often otherwise become an exceedingly involved geometric solution. They will be utilized when the occasion demands. In fact one such occasion has already arisen: notably, in the location of the centers for the Moorish arch shown at Diagram "3" of Figure 61, Part 7.

Figure 77, (Diagrams "1" and "3") herewith, shows how exceedingly simple the practical application of **Problem 14** is to particular cases. In the detail of the Colonial pediment (the half shown at Diagram "1") the "design" is first tentatively sketched in freehand. The centers \( a \) and \( a' \) are then determined for the curved portions, and these curves then drawn. The problem of drawing the raking tangent, \( TT' \), then becomes identical with the one shown at Diagram "A" of Figure 81, the same reference letters being used both in the general solution and in the practical application of same. When, however, the pitch of the roof is a controlling condition, then the problem becomes reversed as shown at Diagram "2" of Figure 77—the same being heretofore discussed under the heading of **Problem 9**. Diagram "3," of Figure 77, is shown as another common instance where a straight line forms the intermediate or connecting part of a reverse curve. It, also, is a direct application of the construction given at Diagram "A" of Figure 81.
FROM A PENCIL RENDERING BY GILBERT P. HALL
RACINE COUNTY COURT HOUSE—HOLABIRD AND ROOFT, ARCHITECTS
Of particular interest in this drawing by Mr. Kurtz is the treatment of the trees and shrubbery about the house. The rendering was made on tracing paper.
"VICTORY," FIGURE FOR WAR MEMORIAL AT CLIFTON, NEW JERSEY
GAETANO CECERE, SCULPTOR

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This war memorial, of which Gaetano Cecere is designer and sculptor and William E. Brown supervising architect, was unveiled last Armistice Day at Clifton, New Jersey. The bronze urn on top of the monument throws a shaft of light at night. The figure of Victory is of bronze and measures 6\(\frac{1}{2}\)' high.
SCULPTURED WOOD PANEL BY IVAN MESTROVIĆ
"THE ANNUNCIATION"
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This panel was shown at the Fifty-sixth Street Galleries, New York, in a recent exhibition of the sculptor's work. It is one of a pair of panels, the other being "Jesus and the Samaritan Woman." The original of this, a rich red brown in color, measures approximately 71" x 46".
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FORMERLY-PLACE
BUILT- BY- THE
MENDOZAFAMILY
DETAILS-OF-PATIO
AND- ARTEONADO
ROOF-OF-STAIRCASE

PLAN- AND-SECTION -OF-WOOD
CEILING- TO- STAIRCASE

SECTION -A-A

SECTION -B-B

NOTE:
The-pillars-capitals
and-balustradeare
of-stone;
the-lintels-brackets
and-eaves-are-wood

SKETCH-OF
BRACKET-CAPITOL

RENAISSANCE ARCHITECTURE AND ORNAMENT IN SPAIN
A PLATE FROM THE WORK BY ANDREW N. PRENTICE

PENCIL POINTS
"The patio and staircase of this palace are in a better state of preservation than the entrance doorway given on Plate XXXIX [Pencil Points, page 114, February, 1930], and this portion of the building is used as a museum and library. The effect of the overhanging wooden eaves is very pleasing. The pillars and fretwork balustrade are of stone, resting on strong wooden lintels. The wooden brackets placed on the tops of the capitals are of somewhat the same form as the Alcala examples. The deeply coffered ceiling of the staircase, which is in dark wood, is very effective, owing to the ornament in the sunk panels being gilded."

A. N. Prentice.
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Editor's Note:—We are re-publishing this narrative in the belief that it might well serve as a model for other stories which could be written by other architects for magazines of lay circulation to the advantage of the entire profession. It demonstrates that the career of an architect, simply and clearly set down, is likely to provide a fascinating document of real human interest. We dare say that thousands of readers of "The Century" found this account so thoroughly entertaining that they not only read it through from start to finish, but have remembered it to this day. The important thing about it, considered in terms of the present desirability of educating the layman, is that it helped to establish in the lay mind a better understanding of the architectural profession and of its individual practitioners. We hope that some of our readers may be inspired to emulate the anonymous author of this contribution and that their efforts may meet with success.

When I was ten or eleven years old I was playing by myself on the beach at East Hampton. It was the first summer that my family had spent there, and I had not met many of the boys; so I went down alone to the beach in the pleasant July afternoon and began to build sand castles. I had worked alone for an hour or two, very well contented with my success, building up as well as I could the towers and steep roofs which I remembered from Howard Pyle's drawings in "Prince Otto," when a pleasant-faced young man came along and, sitting down beside me, watched me work. Presently, when he found me in trouble with the structural difficulties connected with the use of wet sand as high retaining walls, he asked me if I would let him help me, and it in so quiet and tactful a way that instead of being scared off, I was pleased to have a grown-up play with me. I was more than pleased when I found that he was a real master of the art of building sand castles. Towers, strengthened by supporting sticks of wood driven deep into the sand, grew to unexpected heights; roofs, inlaid with seaweed, looked like roofs instead of like shapeless mounds of sand; deep-recessed windows in unexpected places afforded wonderful points of vantage from which the defenders of the castle could repel their assailants. Finally a castle was completed the like of which I had never seen before, and which still remains in my memory the most wonderful architectural creation that I have ever seen.

I do not remember if it was that afternoon or during one of the other afternoons when we built castles together that he told me he was an architect; told me what architecture was, and asked me why I, too, did not become an architect. It was the first time I had ever heard of the profession, for it was little known and less regarded in the days of my childhood.

I think it was fortunate for me that my first acquaintance in what has since become my profession was a man so earnest, kindly, capable, and enthusiastic as the young fellow who used to walk the three miles from his house at Wainscott to play with me. His interest in me and his apparent desire to have me become an architect did not cease with building sand castles. For a number of years after that he used to send me from time to time copies of The American Architect containing illustrations of drawings he had made or of houses he had built. He died when he was a man of only thirty and I was about fourteen. It has always been a regret to me that he could not have lived to fulfill the promise which his early work showed, and I was very glad to learn a year or two ago that one of the three little girls who were his only children had in her turn started to work as an architectural draftsman in Philadelphia.

It was not long after I made my first friend in the profession that my father built a new house, and employed a firm at that time very well known in New York to make the drawings for him. They, too, were charming, cultivated men, and with the senior member of that firm I have ever since continued the very pleasant acquaintance which was begun when as a little boy I showed him the drawings which my architect had sent me. Perhaps if my first two friends in the profession had not been men of such admirable personal character and of such earnest enthusiasm, I would not have been further interested in architecture; but I think that from that first day on the beach at East Hampton I was determined to become an architect myself.

I never had any real architectural training. My family were just as ignorant about what an architect should learn as were most other families; so when it was time for me to go to college I decided upon one that offered a good architectural course. As by that time I had learned that architecture is often considered one of the fine arts, I chose the course which led to the degree of bachelor of arts.

I suppose I was about as ignorant of architecture as any human being could be, but in my junior year I began to elect all the courses that seemed to me to have any bearing on architecture, as the history of art, the history of painting, and things like that.

I do not believe that every course except strictly technical courses are a waste of time, but I do think that one might be "liberally educated" and still learn something of practical benefit. The only course which has been of constant practical use to me was one
in descriptive geometry, which at the time seemed to me from its name to be so far removed from architecture that I loafed through both terms, flunked both examinations, and required a number of extra examinations before I finally passed. Yet all architectural drawing is applied descriptive geometry; and though my instructors knew that I intended to become an architect, not one of them had common sense enough to inform me of this very vital fact.

After my graduation from college, I had expected to go to the Ecole des Beaux-Arts, the great French school of architecture, and there really begin to study for my profession. I thought the school was open to anybody who would apply, and offered a three-years' course leading to a degree. Fortunately for me, although it did not seem so at the time, my father's business went to pieces during my senior year, and I had to go out and get a job. One of my father's friends promised me a position as a clerk in his brokerage house, and my idea was that I would work a year or two, studying at night, and save up money enough to go to the Beaux-Arts, where perhaps I would have money enough to take the course, helping myself out by work which I would pick up in Paris.

I was deflected from this laudable and well-intentioned scheme by the offer of a fellowship from my university in the department of fine arts. I can never be sufficiently grateful to the kindly and far-sighted professor who recommended me for this fellowship, because I could not have entered the Beaux-Arts or supported myself if I had entered.

Very few people outside the men who have actually been there understand that the Ecole des Beaux-Arts admits only twenty foreigners a year, and these only after the strictest sort of technical competitive examination; and as the applicants for these twenty positions usually run well up into the hundreds, I should have stood no chance to get into the school.

The requirements for a fellowship at my university were that a man must have averaged "first group" for his entire course, and should not have fallen below "second group" in any subject during his entire college course. Under the rules I was ineligible. My average standing was "third group," just above the middle of the class, and I had been conditioned in a number of courses; but my friend the professor told me that his recommendation was based on my aptitude in his special department, and that the faculty would abide by his decision. I therefore worked only for the summer in the broker's office, and went back to college in the autumn as fellow of fine arts.

This was my best year at college. The required work for a fellow was very little. My class had gone, and I had few friends left in college, so I spent the year in desultory reading on all sorts of subjects allied with architecture, in working as I pleased, and in constant and close companionship with one of the most admirable men and wisest teachers in America. He was good for me in every way. His instruction was never ex cathedra, always suggestive, and he very frequently had me to dine at his house, talking all through dinner and through the evenings about subjects in which he desired to interest me. It was personal education of the finest sort; one learns much more in that way than can ever be learned in the classroom.

At the conclusion of this year my real work began. My professor furnished me with letters of introduction to four or five of the best-known architects then practicing in New York, and after trying two or three I secured a position with one of them at a salary of eight dollars a week.

The man I had roomed with in college was studying law, and we arranged to room together through the winter, paying three dollars and a half apiece for our room, which left me the magnificent sum of four dollars and a half for food, clothes, car-fare, entertainment, and other expenses; for by that time I was thrown absolutely on my own resources.

I reported for work with a full architectural equipment of T-square, triangles, drawing-instruments, and pencils, the hardest I could find, a mistake characteristic of the beginner, since most offices supply everything except drawing-instruments, and the architect uses no hard pencils, but those which run from ordinary writing pencils to the softest pencils which can be made. The drafting-room in which I began my architectural career occupied most of the top floor of an old loft building, a great, bare, barren place, with drawing-tables and chests of drawers to hold the drawings scattered all through it, and with a man at almost every table. Electric lights suspended by long cords from the ceiling, tied up with string so as to shed light on particular spaces of each drawing-board, cluttered up the room. The floor was of bare cement, and about half covered with scraps of tracing-paper and cigarette-butts and pencil-shavings. The men were in shirt-sleeves or in dirty working blouses, for it was hot, the hottest week in the hottest summer we have ever had. It was a most unprepossessing place for any one to work. The men did not look bright or attractive, and the room was ugly beyond description.

Nor was my first office experience in other ways a satisfactory one. The office was big, the head of the firm was an old man who had lost that intimate touch with his employees which is an essential to success, the office itself was full of dissension and intrigue, the head draftsman had no respect for his employer, and very often I found myself wondering if those were the inevitable accompaniments of every business office or if they were conditions peculiar to the offices of architects. The head draftsman was a middle-aged man of great ability who had twice begun independent practice, and twice had failed to establish himself because of a reputed fondness for drink; and although I cannot recall any occasion when he appeared in the office even touched by liquor, the rumor of his weakness prevented us from properly respecting him. The head of the firm—the "boss," as he is always called in an architect's office—knew of his weakness as well as anybody else, and when the designs for a building were completed, he would turn over to one of the younger men the care of the working drawings and the execution
of the work. This was greatly resented by the head draftsman, and the office took sides, some with the head draftsman, and some with the men who were actually in charge of work. The differences became so bitter that half the draftsmen were not on speaking terms with the rest. I was too insignificant to be counted on either side, and found even in this disorganized and unhappy office, what I have always found in every office since, that the draftsmen were more than willing to help the beginner, to encourage him, to teach him, to do his work for him, and to cover up his mistakes. With such help one must learn something.

I never shall forget the first piece of independent design with which I was intrusted—a railing and gate to divide the private from the public office in some business concern. I suppose I worked on it for about two solid days, assisted and encouraged as far as I was capable of receiving assistance by the men at the neighboring tables. When finally the head draftsman came around to look at my effort, I was a very proud person; but when, after looking at the drawings for a minute or two, he started to make some criticism, and, unable to control himself, began to laugh so hard that everybody else came around to see what he was laughing at, I was about as disappointed as anybody ever was in the world. The head draftsman was not only a great artist, but a big man. He did not take the job away from me, as he should have done; he told me where it was wrong and why it was wrong, apologized for laughing at it, and gave me in these few minutes my first toehold in comprehension of architectural design. It was then that I began to learn.

I suppose this was about four months after I entered the office; four months later I was so convinced of my increase in knowledge that I thought I ought to have a corresponding increase in wages. I am now perfectly sure that there wasn't one week in which I had earned the eight dollars that were paid me, and, as a matter of fact, I think I had probably been a loss, because of the diversion of other men's time to help me, and in a smaller office I never would have been kept on at all. I finally got up my nerve to ask for a raise, and when I was told that investigation proved that I wasn't worth any more I made up my mind to change offices.

At that time a Boston architect who had achieved considerable prominence had just moved his office to New York. He was one of the younger men, much talked about by the architectural draftsmen, and it was to him that I decided to apply. About a year before I had got a Boston girl whom I knew pretty well to bring some forty-cent table-d'hote, and I remember that the place, at three dollars and fifty cents a week for room and board, was the best I ever had to eat, although I was not then able to have scrambled eggs with tomatoes since. We had them for breakfast every morning for a year, the purpose of the tomatoes being obviously to disguise the eggs. Occasionally we used to treat ourselves to a real dinner at some forty-cent table-d'hôte, and I remember that the

number, but I couldn't see Mr. Murray. So it looked to me as if my chances in that office were very slim indeed. The next night, when I got home, however, I received a telephone message, asking me if I could come to work at once, at the princely salary of fifteen dollars, which was about ten dollars more than I could earn.

The new office was as different from the old as can well be imagined. Mr. Murray was in the drafting-room at least half of every day, an inspiration in himself; and I don't suppose that there has ever been a nicer, kindlier, or more capable lot of draftsmen gathered together in one place. There wasn't a man of the lot who has not since made good in independent practice, and there wasn't a man in the lot who did not believe in the ability of his employer or who was not most anxious to make good. Everybody was hard-working, earnest, and enthusiastic; there was no time-clock; the men appeared to come and go pretty much at will, and yet I think there wasn't one of them who did not spend at least his full forty hours a week in the office, and most of them habitually put in half an hour or so more every day. Every one of them was kind to me when I first came in; curious about me, as to how much I knew, as to how I got into the office, but genuinely friendly, and anxious to have me please them and the boss.

It is upon the drafting-room that in the end the success of every architect depends. He may be able to get work and he himself may be a man of ability; but no one can turn out anything like the vast number of drawings required even for a simple job, and the architect must stand or fall as his drafting-room force is capable and sympathetic.

The men in Mr. Murray's office were, as I have said before, of unusually fine quality, most of them college trained, the others taking extension courses in Columbia or working in the system of ateliers which has been built up by the American graduates of the Ecole des Beaux-Arts.

Fifteen dollars a week looked like a good deal to me, but I found that during the first eight months I had not been able to buy any new clothes, and had even gone into debt for small extras at some of the places where I had credit; so that I really did not have much more money to live on than before. My roommate and I continued to live in the same place, although now we stopped eating in the cheap lunch-rooms, and acquired the dignity of a real boarding-place, at three dollars and fifty cents a week for breakfast and dinner. The place was literally a cabman's eating-joint, and I suppose the food must have been pretty bad, although I did not then think we were having a hard time, and I do not suppose we were. However, I have never been able to eat scrambled eggs with tomatoes since. We had them for breakfast every morning for a year, the purpose of the tomatoes being obviously to disguise the eggs. Occasionally we used to treat ourselves to a real dinner at some forty-cent table-d'hôte, and I remember that the

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first time I went to a popular one on Tenth Street the
draftsman who went with me said:
“You don’t have to eat so much bread, Mike. They
give you lots else.”

I am not telling these things so much because they
were my own experience as because they were the
common experience of virtually all the men with whom
I came into contact, and I have never met a happier
or a nicer lot of fellows.

I have spoken of the ateliers conducted by the so-
cieties of former students of the Beaux-Arts. These
are really cooperative schools. One has to be elected,
since they are virtually clubs, and all the members of
the ateliers contribute equally to the expenses, which
include the promise of a salary to an instructor chosen
by the members from the graduates of the Beaux-Arts.
Though the salary is as a rule more of a promise than
a reality, many of the best of our architects, purely
from a desire to help the younger men in the profes-
sion, are willing to devote two or three nights a week
to teaching and criticism. I joined one of these ateliers,
and though it has been of great service to me, it was
in the offices that I really learned my architecture.
There is no instruction so valuable as the actual doing
of the work, especially when the boss is himself a
capable architect. In the ateliers draftsmen improve
their technique, learn how to make colored perspectives
and prettily drawn plans, and it is in the ateliers that
most draftsmen make the drawings for their first jobs.

I was still in Mr. Murray’s office when my first job
came to me—the alteration of the city house of a friend
of my mother’s. Nobody will ever have another job
like his first, and my first client got as competent serv-
ice as any architect ever furnished, because the whole
of Mr. Murray’s office, including Mr. Murray him-
self, criticized, advised, and helped in the preparation
of the drawings, and Mr. Murray’s superintendent and
specification-writer prepared the specifications and told
me why specifications are written as they are. He was
both specification-writer and general superintendent
in the office, and had been both a practicing architect
and a builder. Of all the men doing that sort of work
with whom I have come into contact, I think Pop
Jones is the best. He used to come and help me super-
intend; in fact, all the fellows used to come around to
the building and criticize the moldings, and suggest
improvements in the details of the trim, and advise as
to small changes in the plans, and for all this help and
assistance I never was able to pay anybody one cent.

My commission on this first job was six hundred
and twenty-five dollars; I promptly put four hundred
and eighty-five of it into an engagement-ring, and
gave the office a dinner with about half of what was
left. The proportion of the proceeds devoted to my
personal use wasn’t very large, but it certainly was a
fine ring.

The time that I spent in Mr. Murray’s office was
perhaps the most valuable in my whole career. The
office was busy; the boss did not believe in putting a
man on one job and keeping him there until he died,
so the work was varied, always interesting, and instruc-
tive. Of course it was hard for me to keep up. Al-
most every drawing that I made involved questions
which were to me unanswerable, and about which
somebody had to tell me. Indeed, this condition lasted
for some time after I left that office, for during the
first four years that I worked as a draftsman I never
had one single thing to do that I had ever done before.
Of course, under conditions such as these, I developed
rapidly—I had to, or lose my job—and while I had
the feeling that I was getting along, I did not know
whether I was really making good or whether I wasn’t, because the boss had a kind word for everybody, though never hesitating to criticize anybody.

The fact that we were able to come and go as we
wished was a great convenience to me in doing my first
job, since I could run up in the noon-hour, getting
back fifteen or twenty minutes late, and making up
the time at night or on Saturday afternoon, without
slighting my office work. One night about six o’clock
(the office was supposed to close at five), Mr. Murray
came out of his private office, found me working in
the drafting-room, and asked me why I was staying
so late. I told him that I had taken a little extra time
off at noon and was making it up. He stood looking
over my shoulder at the drawing I was working on.

“I wonder if you realize how you have improved,”
he said. “You are really drawing pretty well, and you
couldn’t draw at all when you came to the office.”

“Nobody could help improving in this office,” I
answered, hardly aware of how tactful a thing it was
to say.

He stood there for a moment longer and then he
said:
“You tell Mr. Mulford [that was the bookkeeper]
that your salary is eighteen dollars from this week on.”

And before I could even thank him he went back into
his private office. In a minute or two he came back.

“You had a letter of introduction to me, didn’t
you?”

I told him that I didn’t think a letter of introduction
from an eighteen-year-old girl was worth much, and
he said:
“That is the reason I employed you. I was told
you had that letter, and I was pleased that you didn’t
try to use it.”

It wasn’t long after this that I was taken out of the
office and made “clerk of the works” on one of the
biggest buildings that Mr. Murray had designed. Clerk
of the works is a sort of resident superintendent, and
while at the time I resented my transfer from office
to superintendence, it was not long before I
realized it was the best thing that could have happened;
for nobody can be a competent architect until he knows
the processes by which buildings are put together, as
well as the drawings which indicate those processes.

Pop Jones used to come over to the job about twice
a week, sometimes oftener during the first month or
two; but when he found that I was getting along
pretty well with the contractors and that I was reading
the specifications as carefully as I could, and trying
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to understand them, he came over less and less. Of course it gratified my vanity to think that two years after leaving college I was virtually boss of a three-million-dollar job. Another thing which pleased me enormously, and which should be the rule in all offices, was to find that my decisions in regard to matters of workmanship and material were backed up by the office. In the first place, it made me careful in making decisions, and in the second place it greatly strengthened my hand. No office where the decisions of the superior are not backed up by the superiors, unless the decisions are distinctly detrimental to the work, can possibly run well.

Of course I was as green as grass, but I found the same kindly spirit among the rough lot of workmen with whom I then became associated that I found in the office. I found the same willingness to help and inform (not infrequently coupled with the desire to play jokes on the green man) that I had previously found in Mr. Murray's office, and the year that I spent as clerk of the works was in its way as valuable a year as I have ever had.

It taught me to some extent to manage men. I found the union regulations, which seem arbitrary to the outsider, have in most cases for their foundation a sincere desire to promote the welfare of the workman without interfering with the proper conduct of the work, and I also found that a successful superintendent must know the union rules as thoroughly as he knows the building code if he is to be successful.

It was while I was clerk of the works that I got my first house to build. I had gone into two or three competitions, just as all draftsmen do, without any success, but I had not had any real work except the city-house alteration.

I have spoken about buying an engagement-ring. One doesn't buy those rings without a reason, and I had been having trouble with the family of my reason. Her father didn't like me. I hadn't any money, although I do not believe that worried him except as he wanted to see his daughter properly supported, and I had no prospects as far as he could see; so I was forbidden to come to the house. The engagement-ring, instead of being worn on the finger, was worn on a ribbon around the neck. Nevertheless, it was from her father that I got my first independent job, and at a time when I was in theory not on speaking terms with any of the family. I have always thought that he wanted to test me.

I made the drawings. The house cost a few hundred dollars under what he told me he wanted to spend; it was built, and he liked it as much as I have ever had a client like a house. It still remains one of the houses I am proudest of. However, my father-in-law-to-be was by no means appeased. He was willing to talk to me, but nobody else could, and it was very embarrassing at times, for I had to find out the wishes of each separate member of the family through him.

The house was so much of a success that I was given one or two other commissions in the same little suburban town, and really began to feel like an architect; but that did not help me any in the good graces of my father-in-law. When he found that I was earning only twenty dollars a week (they raised me two dollars when I became clerk of the works), he couldn't see me for a minute, and finally, to get rid of me, took the whole family away to Europe.

I began to get impatient with my position about this time. I had had five years of college; had been working for nearly three years, and was earning only twenty dollars a week, although this was supplemented by over-time pay for night and Sunday work, and I had one or two country houses to design. This meant that I worked every night and every Saturday afternoon, and got up at six o'clock every morning. I thought that if I could go into another office where I could get a little more salary and where the work was a little more varied it would be better. So I talked the matter over with Mr. Murray. He urged me to stay, but, being a good business man as well as a decent employer, did not "urge" me to the extent of a very substantial rise, so I began to look for a better position.

I never shall forget one of the places where I tried. This man had sent word to me that he wanted a sort of office head. He had only a small office—three or four men—and he asked me to come and meet him at twelve-thirty. I left Mr. Murray's office at a quarter after twelve, got a piece of apple-pie and a glass of milk, and hurried up to see my prospective employer, and found that he was not in. I waited until a quarter-past one, when I should have been back in the office, before he came in. I stood up as he entered his door and told him who I was.

"Sit down," he said, and went into his private office. I could see him sitting with his feet on his desk reading the newspaper. I waited for about twenty minutes more, getting madder and madder every minute. Finally he came out and said:

"You want a job with me, don't you?"

"No, I don't," I said. "I just waited to tell you so," and walked out.

I think it was in the next office I tried that I did succeed in getting a position.

This office differed very materially from either of the others in which I had worked. The heads of the firm were two young men, both of them wealthy and of good social connection, who had gone into architecture partly because they liked the work, but more, I think, because it was a nice, light job suitable to a gentleman. Neither of them had any particular knowledge of construction, and though both had good ideas as to design, they were not sufficiently skilled as draftsmen to be able to work them out. The work, therefore, was handled by their head men. One was a Frenchman, a graduate of the Beaux-Arts, and to him virtually all the design was intrusted; the other was a young Irishman who had started as an office boy, and because of his patience and earnest anxiety to succeed had worked himself up to a place of responsibility in one of the large New York offices, and had been recommended to this firm when they began business.
It was a curious sort of office in that nobody really knew the business of architecture. The Frenchman knew nothing about construction, and the practical man knew nothing about design, and because of his entire lack of technical training, his knowledge of structure was only that which a good carpenter might have picked up on a job. The whole atmosphere of the office was very different from that which prevailed in Mr. Murray's. In place of confidence in and loyalty to the chief, there was a constant undercurrent of jocular contempt among the draftsmen for the abilities of the firm; and as we grew to know his limitations, this contempt extended to the practical man. He, poor fellow, was probably as aware of them as we were, and must have led a dog's life in trying to cover them up from his employers and from the men he was supposed to command. His methods were not always sportsmanlike; whenever anybody did anything particularly nice, he was very forward to claim credit for it, while, if an error was made anywhere, he would always endeavor to shift the blame. At the time I disliked him as cordially as I ever disliked anybody, and despised him, too. Now, as I look back upon it, I see that he was really in a pretty difficult position, but his handling of that position was neither capable nor tactful. He was constantly irritating the men by insistence upon trifling details of routine; never made a correction in a pleasant manner; and as many of his "corrections" were incorrect, there was little good feeling. I remember on one of the drawings I was making he noted that the angles were wrong and after verifying them three or four times, I told him that I was sure my figures were right and asked him to go over them with me. I found then that the poor fellow did not know that sixty minutes made a degree; he thought it was one hundred. I remember on another occasion he made me spell "wainscot" "wainscoat" and when one of the firm noticed the error and called me down for my spelling, he stood by and let me take it. I did not like to tell on him, like a school-boy.

Of course in an atmosphere like this the quality of the work was far below what it should have been, although the opportunities were many and varied. The family influence wielded by the members of the firm brought in many jobs, and the very delightful personalities and real artistic appreciation of both these men impressed many of their acquaintances with a sense of their ability that was unjustified by their attainments.

Nevertheless, as in every office in which I have been, I found among the draftsmen several who were, as they have continued to be, good friends of mine, and I found the same willingness to help the beginner and to lend information or books or money or anything else that I have found among draftsmen everywhere. It was in that office that I was first able to begin to repay to still younger men the very great kindnesses I myself had received from older draftsmen.

Every once in a while I managed to get a job of my own. Most of them were abortive, but one or two little houses or small alterations actually went through. The money I received from them was either used for buying pieces of furniture which I thought we might need in the house I hoped to build, or was put away in the bank to await that time. Incidentally, I think this is the only period in my life that I have been out of debt. I was still forbidden to visit my fiancée's house; but her father went to South Africa on business, and the Boers, thoughtfully declaring war on England about that time, locked him up for six months, so that when he returned he found that our engagement was announced. He took the matter rather more calmly than I had expected, and as a wedding present gave my wife a little piece of land on which we were to build a house of our own.

I was married in the first house I ever designed, and the wedding really was an architectural affair, as all the ushers were draftsmen, and there were probably twenty-five or thirty draftsmen who were not ushers. I got a two weeks' vacation, the first I had had since I began work. Most of this vacation was spent in making drawings for our own house. We began it as soon as we came back, and it was finished in about four months. One of the upper rooms I made into a little office for myself, and as I continued to get small jobs from time to time, it was there on nights and Sundays and early in the mornings that all of the drawings were made during the next two years. Once in a while some one of the fellows in the office would come out and help, but most of it I did myself; and while I can't say that I was ever unhappy during that time, I wished often that there might come a Saturday or a Sunday or an afternoon or an evening when I didn't have to work.

My experience in this respect is that of most of the young men who begin work for themselves. The average architectural draftsman works seven hours a day in the office unless he has over-time work, and two or three hours besides at night on his own work in the ateliers or perhaps helping out some other architect. Nobody who did not really love the business could get along under such conditions, and I have found that most architectural draftsmen herd by themselves. They do not often go to parties, they do not go much to the theatre; they are always walking about the Metropolitan Museum or some picture show or taking trips out to see old colonial houses or working on problems in the ateliers. The salaries they get are below those of the bricklayers and carpenters who execute the work from the drawings they make. There is certainly something in the profession that gets the men as does no other profession that I know of.

I was enormously pleased when one of the magazines took some pictures of my own house and my father-in-law's house and asked if they could publish them. It was probably the best thing that ever happened to me, because the houses were small and of different types, and there were not many good small houses being built in those days; so almost as soon as they were published I began to get letters about them from people all over the country, and from them I got four or five jobs. It was really the
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start of my independent practice, although I continued to work for other men for two years, and for a number of years after that was accustomed to go around to different offices to help out on competitions or to give assistance in some one of the lines in which I had become proficient.

I left this office because I couldn't get along with the head draftsmen, and although the manner of my going was not pleasant, I have since become good friends with both members of the firm. I remember that the head called me in and told me that he couldn't have anybody work in his office who couldn't get along with the head draftsmen selected by the firm, with the censure of the firm's intelligence which that implied; and then, righteous indignation overcoming him, he said the quicker I could make my arrangements to go the better.

This happened at just twelve o'clock. I walked down-stairs to another office, got a position, came back up-stairs, packed up my things, and went in and told him I was going. It was of course a great satisfaction to take him at his word, tempered somewhat by the fact that they paid me two weeks' advance salary, and said that if I wanted to come back and they could arrange for me to take independent charge of work, they would like to have me do it.

The new office was a very different sort of place from any I had been in before, and especially from the last one. There was no discipline of any sort. The men worked on the basis of so many cents per hour, and put in their time-cards every week for what time their consciences dictated to them; and while the work was well and rapidly done, I can't exactly see how an office could continue under such conditions. The firm was made up of three men, one of whom I never saw in the office, although I understand he did occasionally secure new business; the second was supposed to run as they could have by any other way of managing them, although I think none of the draftsmen felt the real respect for their employers on either the technical or personal grounds that was the case in Mr. Murray's office.

I stayed in this office until two years later I finally decided to open an office of my own. I took this step with some hesitation. For the last year I had been earning from forty to fifty dollars a week as a draftsman, with over-time occasionally running the amount up much higher, and I had been under no office expense. Beginning for myself meant rent, salaries for an office boy and a stenographer at least, expense for light, cleaning woman, telephone, and numerous petty items that even in a small office amount to a considerable sum annually. But the number of people who came to me for houses had increased so steadily that it was necessary for me to begin for myself. It meant less income than I had earned during the previous two years, but it was physically impossible for me to go on as I had been going; the work had taken too much out of me. I had had no time for recreation of any sort and I went from one day to the next under a constant strain, feeling that I had a lot to do that I had not been able to get done, and I was always tired out. I had not had a vacation except for the two weeks at the time I was married, and I did not have another for five years after I began work for myself; but at least I was relieved from the continual pressure of night work, and how much I needed such relief was proved by the fact that in the five weeks after I opened my own office I gained thirty-five pounds.

I secured a little office in connection with another man who, too, was just beginning. We were not partners, but simply took the office together to lessen the expense to each of us, and this arrangement continued until we both outgrew it. But with every effort to keep expenses down by doing as much work myself as I could and by paying as little as I could for the overhead account, I was nevertheless often very hard up. When my first daughter was born I did not have a cent in the world, I owed everybody that I knew, and it seemed as if I just must get some money somehow. Having no new work in hand, I went into one of the competitions which are always open to the young men, and finished up the drawings on the same day that my daughter arrived. Anybody who has had a youngster of his own knows that this is not the most favorable time for constructive work. Imagine my happiness when two weeks afterward I received a check for a thousand dollars, being that portion of the commission which was payable at once to the winner.

Since that time things have smoothed themselves out, and there is little of interest to tell. My work has grown steadily, and my office force has increased with it; the only thing that has not grown is the gain to be made out of the profession. It is not a profession in which the faithful practitioner can ever become wealthy unless he is one of the few men who do big work. The average country house needs as many drawings as a loft building, and the drawings cost just
as much. The loft building is built of fireproof material and trimmed with marble, while the country house is built of frame and trimmed with painted wood; the architect's fee is a percentage of the cost.

I am in a way a successful architect, I might almost say a very successful architect; yet I have not been able to live in comfort and put away money. In fact, my reason for writing this story is that I may add something to the little surplus which would be available for the support of my family should I receive the commission for which I have applied and be called to the front.

Nevertheless, I wouldn't change professions with any one I know. One has always the feeling that one is creating something of permanent beauty.

I do not mean that all buildings designed by architects are beautiful. The profession varies greatly in skill and ability, and there is no way in which things of at least fair quality can be turned out by a man who has no conception of beauty per se. Each problem is a new one, and is a question of comprehending the tastes of one's clients and of expressing them in a way which will be satisfactory to them as well as to the designer, and there are no rules by which this can be done.

There is one side of architecture not commonly commented upon that is to me one of the most interesting things about the profession. I mean the relations which the architect enjoys with his clients. I have met so many pleasant people and have seen so many delightful places in the course of my work that that alone is almost enough to repay me for my efforts, although some people are inclined to regard the architect as an impractical person whose suggestions must be looked upon with suspicion. With such people work is difficult in the extreme, and it is almost impossible to secure the best results not only in an artistic sense but in the correct fitting of the scheme to the client, as a tailor fits clothes.

Yet the profession as a whole is underpaid even for the best of clients, and apparently it always has been. When an old house in New Haven was torn down a few years ago, these words were found cut in the corner-stone and signed by the architect:

"I have caused this beautiful building to be erected for your use as well as for mine, and have taken much pains to accommodate you for which you will never pay."

CALATAYUD, SPAIN—FROM A PENCIL SKETCH BY HAROLD C. GEYER OF YALE
FROM A PENCIL SKETCH BY PERCY DANFORTH
OLD HOUSE IN LISIEUX
A LETTER ON REGISTRATION FROM SULLIVAN W. JONES TO CHARLES BUTLER

My inability to attend the conference in Albany on February 18th is most disappointing, not only because of my conviction that the Department of Architecture and the State Fine Arts Commission ought to be re-established, but also because I had intended to bring up for action by the conference the matter of amending the so-called Architects' Law.

In my absence I ask you to add this subject to the Conference agenda, and to make a serious effort to secure action directed toward liberalizing the law. Legislation affecting the practice of architecture should be initiated by the profession. If it is not so initiated some one or some group will certainly capitalize the opportunity. I need not remind you, or the Conference, that there is a real danger of that happening.

My interest in the law as it now stands upon the Statute books has been stirred by the rejection of applications for architectural registration by two men about whose competency to practice there can be not the slightest question. There are others—many others—with respect to whom the law works a wicked injustice, by depriving them of an opportunity to demonstrate their competency to practice. The situation is over ripe for the development of a "racket."

Section 1478 “Qualifications, Examinations, Fees” of Article 56 of the Education Law, provides that every applicant for a certificate of registration shall have completed a high school course or its equivalent, “and subsequent thereto of having satisfactorily completed two years in an institution approved by the department conferring the degree of Bachelor of Arts or Sciences.”

It will be noted that the requirement of two years at college or a technical school is mandatory, and that there is no provision for an equivalent, for an appeal, or any discretion on the part of anyone which would give the slightest elasticity to this requirement.

This mandatory qualification is being strictly enforced with the result that persons fully equipped and competent to practice architecture are debarred from even taking an examination.

We architects are interested primarily, or should be, not in the mechanics of the applicant's education, but in his qualifications to practice his profession at the time of his application. Knowing as we all do how many ways there are in which a man may become proficient in the practice of architecture, we must also know how ridiculous it is to attempt to lay down by law the precise curriculum for his preparation. Any law which arbitrarily debars an applicant from taking an examination to demonstrate his ability to pursue his chosen vocation is bad law, whether it be constitutional or unconstitutional.

The fallacious theory underlying this provision of the law is to be applied even more drastically as time passes. That this is the clear purpose of the law, and of those who were responsible for framing it, is removed from the realm of discussion by the provisions of Sub-division 4 of Section 1478, which reads in part as follows:

"Subsequent to January 1, 1937, every candidate for examination shall present evidence that he has satisfactorily completed the course of study in a college or school of architecture registered by the department—and that prior to the beginning of his course of study in such college or school of architecture, he satisfied the prerequisite for admission thereto."

The result of this provision will be the restriction of the future practice of architecture to those who are fortunate enough to have been born with "silver spoons in their mouths," or to the "wealthy class." We cannot make such restrictions stand up, and even if we could, they were undesirable from any standpoint, they would bring down upon the profession the scorn and ridicule of the public. Moreover, it does violence to the principle of equal opportunity.

Through the conference I urge the profession of architecture in the State to prepare and sponsor immediately amendments to the law as follows:

Add, after the first quoted part of 1478 the following: "or the equivalent thereof as may be determined by the Department."

Strike out the first paragraph of sub-division 4 of Section 1478.

Add a new section providing for appeals by applicants from the rulings by the department to some competent authority, probably the Board of Examiners.

Every applicant must be accorded his constitutional right to be judged by his peers, and not by a bureaucratic clerk, who knows nothing about qualifications, and whose actions are purely routine.
COMPETITION FOR ENTRANCE DESIGNS

The Williams and Matilda Sparks Foundation, Inc., comprises 465 acres of land in Jackson, Michigan, which during the next three years will be developed into a recreation center at a cost of nearly $5,000,000. When complete it will be presented to the city. Among many features will be a 200 foot tower topping a seventy foot hill, cascades, an outdoor amphitheatre seating 15,000 persons, canals, lagoons, a championship golf course, tournament tennis courts, an electric fountain and a Prado or walk, 20 feet wide, 2100 feet long.

The designs wanted in this competition are for the entrance to this Prado. It will be located about 50 feet from the street line to provide space for cars.

The cost of the entrance must be between $5,000 and $10,000 without buildings or high towers.

All designs must be submitted on sheets 15 x 20 inches, and may be in perspective or plan and elevation, in water color, ink, pencil, or crayon.

The entrance should be designed in stone or brick. Designs must be received before April 15th, 1930, to be considered in competition.

The judges will be three competent architects or engineers not connected with the Foundation. The prizes will be as follows:
First Prize, $250.00 cash. Second Prize, $100.00 cash, and Third Prize, $50.00 cash.

All designs and communications should be addressed to A. W. D. Hall, Chief Engineer, The Wm. and Matilda Sparks Foundation, Inc., 313 Carter Building, Jackson, Michigan.

A NEW FELLOWSHIP FOR CORNELL

Shreve, Lamb, and Harmon, New York architects, have given to Cornell an unusual kind of fellowship. A graduate will be chosen annually to spend a year in the firm's office, at a normal salary. But "he will be encouraged to study the work of the office as he did his student work and perfect himself as far as possible along whatever line seems best calculated to advance his special ability or interest." Thus many of the common difficulties of adjustment of the student to the business world should be smoothed away. Says Mr. Shreve: "There is too often a hampering sense of a complete altering of direction and activity, with a loss of measure of progress and a failure of real accomplishment; there may even be the feeling of a necessity of endeavoring to render service merely in order to hold a position and so secure an uninspiring living through effort along unfamiliar and less attractive lines, not following the path in which the true ability and ambition of the student lie." Charles C. Porter, Cornell, '29, is now working for the firm on such a basis as is outlined for the fellowship.

GUY LOWELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

Charles Le Boutilier has been awarded the Guy Lowell Memorial Scholarship for 1930. Mr. Le Boutilier had some of his architectural training at Harvard and later took a year's work at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. B. S. Gruzen, a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was awarded second place.

The first and second prize winning designs will be published in the April issue of Pencil Points.

ELIZABETH KIMBALL NEDVED

Elizabeth Kimball was born in Chicago and grew up in the suburban villages of Winnetka and Glencoe. After graduating from New Trier High School, she decided to pursue the course in Interior Decoration at the Church School of Art. This was followed with a period in the Interior Decoration Department of Marshall Field and Company. There she decided that architecture was her real goal and enrolled for that course at Armour Institute of Technology.

At Armour, Elizabeth Kimball met Rudolph Nedved. The next two years were spent at the University of Illinois. This was followed by her marriage in London to Mr. Nedved who was then abroad as holder of the Chicago Architectural Club Traveling Scholarship.

After fifteen months of European travel, Mrs. Nedved returned to Chicago to take her degree of B.S. in Architecture. Following this she became a member of the Chicago Chapter of the A.I.A. and a registered architect in Illinois.

For three years she practiced architecture with her husband. The work of this period was residential and a number of country houses were built. On January 1, 1929, both of the Nedveds became partners in an older firm, now known as Hamilton, Fellows, and Nedved, with offices at 814 Tower Court, Chicago.

Mrs. Nedved is very much interested in water color. She has exhibited in the Chicago Artists and the International Water Color Shows.

REGARDING REQUESTS FOR MANUFACTURERS' LITERATURE

Henceforth, notices requesting manufacturers' samples and catalogs will be published in our house organ, One-Fifty-Two, which is sent each month to manufacturers. This change is made due to a lack of space in Pencil Points, also because the former is a more direct means of obtaining such literature.
CARNEGIE CORPORATION TO GRANT FINE ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS

To enable promising young men and women students in the fine arts to prepare to teach graphic and plastic arts in colleges and universities, the Carnegie Corporation of New York has recently set aside a fund which will provide for a limited number of scholarship grants for such students. The fund will also provide for the re-appointment of a number of those who have been the recipients of the scholarship grants in fine arts made by the Corporation in former years. The grants range from $1200 for first year graduate students to $2000 in certain cases for advanced study abroad.

While no formal pledge is required of incumbents, it is understood that applications received will be made in good faith by those who are planning to become teachers. The desire of the Corporation is to attract promising young persons to the teaching profession rather than to recognize merit and accomplishment on the part of those who are already members of the profession.

Applications for scholarship grants for 1930-31 should be filed with the Carnegie Corporation Advisory Group on Scholarship Grants, 522 Fifth Avenue, New York, before March 15, 1930. The Group will make selections on or before March 31, 1930, and applicants will be notified as soon as possible thereafter.

THE XIIIITH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF ARCHITECTS, BUDAPEST, 1930

The XIIIith International Congress of Architects will be held in Budapest, Hungary, from September 7th—14th, 1930. The officers have been working at the Society of Hungarian Engineers and Architects, Budapest, since last fall. According to present indications, it is to be expected that architects from all parts of the world will meet in Budapest; and already a great number of enrollments have arrived at the Offices of the Congress. Among others, Professor Ragnar Ostber, of Stockholm, has announced his participation at the Congress; and, in a long letter written in the warmest tones, he has also declared his readiness to take part at the International Exhibition of Architecture, which will be held in conjunction with the Congress, by exhibiting the plans of the Town-hall of Stockholm.

At the request of the Executive Committee entrusted with the preparations for the Congress (under the direction of Messrs. Robert Kertész, Under-Secretary of State, President, André de Virágh, former Under-Secretary of State, managing president, and Adalbert Rerrich, High Commissioner of the Government, general secretary), Count Kuno Klébelsberg, Minister of Culture and Education, will, in order to enhance the importance of the Congress and Exhibition, award prizes consisting of one gold medal, two silver medals and three bronze medals for the International Exhibition of Architecture. This decision of the Minister of Culture and Education will contribute in a great measure to increase still more the significance of both the Exhibition and the Congress.

The Committee formed for this purpose has decided to erect a statue to perpetuate the memory of Edmond Lechner, the great Hungarian architect, whose works are renowned and appreciated in all foreign countries. This statue will be unveiled in Budapest next September, during the International Congress of Architects.

There will be an International Exhibition of architectural photos, drawings, and models at the same time and all American architects are invited to exhibit. All expenses in connection with the transportation must be borne by the exhibitor. Those wishing to exhibit will kindly communicate with George Oakley Totten, Jr., Secretary of the American Section, International Congress of Architects, 808 Seventeenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.


CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF QUANTITY SURVEYORS

The Fifth Annual convention of the American Institute of Quantity Surveyors will be held in St. Louis, Mo., April 14th to 16th inclusive.
COMPETITION FOR A WEATHER VANE

A $1000 PRIZE COMPETITION interesting particularly to architects, artists, designers, students of the arts and followers of aviation, but open to anyone, is announced by the Art Alliance of America, 65 East 56th Street, New York City.

The Carrier Engineering Corporation, having taken over a large factory building at 850 Frelinghuysen Avenue, Newark, N. J., found itself owning a water tank 114 feet high made in the shape of a giant electric light bulb, erected by the previous owners, the General Electric Company. It wishes to change the appearance of this elevated tank, which is supported on four structural steel legs about 84 feet high, and to surmount it with a huge weather vane and a cylindrical or conoidal air beacon made up of neon light tubes, as an auxiliary to the revolving neon beacon at the Newark Airport, only a mile away. The weather vane is stipulated because the Carrier Plant makes air conditioning apparatus to furnish "manufactured weather" for mills, shops, theatres, office buildings, assembly halls and homes. This apparatus is most familiar to the public through its use in some 200 theatres and in the halls of Congress and the White House office, although it is much more widely used in industrial buildings, nearly 3000 being equipped now with automatic air conditioning plants. The Carrier Corporation also publishes an informative monthly called The Weather Vein, which suggested the idea of a wind vane for the tower.

The Jury of Award is: Paul Manship, sculptor; J. Monroe Hewlett, architect; Walter W. Kantack, designer and president of Kantack & Company, Inc.; A. Lawrence Kocher, architect and managing editor of The Architectural Record, and Richard L. Marwede, chairman of the competition committee of the Art Alliance of America. This was organized to be a link between manufacturers and artist designers, which sponsors exhibitions of all sorts of industrial art, finds designers for manufacturers, through a group of expert designers and has a placement service which registers artists for design work.

Conditions of the contest and entry blanks may be had from the Secretary of the Weather Vane Design Competition, Art Alliance of America, 65 East 56th Street, New York City, together with photographs of the water tank and its surroundings. Entries will be received only between March 14 and March 18, when the competition closes. The Jury meets March 20, announces prizes and places the prize winning and others honorably mentioned on exhibition.

The location of the neon beacon has been approved by the Department of Commerce as serving a useful purpose in aviation and will become a permanent landmark on air maps.

THE PRINCETON ARCHITECTURAL PRIZES

TWO COMPETITIVE PRIZES of eight hundred dollars each, in the School of Architecture, Princeton University, are announced for the year 1930-1931. The purpose of these prizes is to permit men of unusual ability, who desire to complete their professional training, to profit by the opportunities offered by the School of Architecture, the Department of Art and Archaeology, and the Graduate School of Princeton University.

The prizes will be awarded as the result of a competition in design to be held from 9:00 a. m., May 22, 1930, to 9:00 a. m., June 1, 1930. The winners will devote the following school year to the study of Advanced Architectural Design, and such other subjects as they may elect. They are exempt from tuition fees.

Candidates for these prizes shall be unmarried male citizens, not less than twenty-one nor more than thirty years of age on September 1, 1930, who have been employed as draftsmen in architects' offices for not less than three years, or who have otherwise demonstrated their ability in architectural design.

Applicants to enter the competition for the prizes must be filed on or before April 19, 1930.

For application blanks, and regulations governing the Competition and Award, address The Director, The School of Architecture, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey.
CONCRETE EVIDENCE

THAT THE ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSION IS IN FAVOR OF PENCIL POINTS PLAN FOR EDUCATING THE LAYMAN

Excerpts from letters sent to us in response to our announcement of January 6, 1930

January 13th, 1930

Mr. Ralph Reinhold, President,
Pencil Points Press, Inc.,
419 Fourth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

DEAR MR. REINHOLD:

In answer to your letter of January 6th, I wish to state that I am sure the program as outlined by you will meet with the hearty approval of the architectural profession. I have already received a number of letters commending you for your splendid idea and I hope that it will be successful.

May I suggest that you get in touch with Mr. William Harmon Beers, Chairman of the Committee on Publicity of the Institute, and I hope that he may, through Mr. Grady and the members of his committee, be of assistance to you.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) C. Herrick Hammond,
President, American Institute of Architects.

January 27, 1930

Mr. Ralph Reinhold, President,
Pencil Points,
419 Fourth Avenue,
New York City.

DEAR MR. REINHOLD:

In answer to your letter of January the sixth, and our subsequent conversation relative to your proposed program, I cannot commend the idea too highly. I am sure that when the details are more carefully worked out and the architects throughout the country have the basic scheme explained to them they will be enthusiastic. If I can be of any assistance please advise me.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Wm. Harmon Beers,
Chairman, Committee on Public Information, A.I.A.

"Count on our financial assistance and any other cooperation you may need"—J. Andre Fouilhoux, Raymond Hood, Godfrey & Fouilhoux, New York, N. Y.

"It sounds like a good idea. This firm is glad to say that they will contribute a hundred dollars for the work this year"—York & Sawyer, New York, N. Y.

"I think this is a splendid undertaking and will gladly contribute"—N. Mac Dunning, Chicago, Illinois.

"As members of The American Institute of Architects we should not care to commit ourselves in any way as to just what is proposed"—Francis V. Bullfinch, Coolidge, Shepley, Bulfinch & Abbott, Boston, Massachusetts.

"It seems to me you have just the right point of view"—Myron Hunt, Los Angeles, California.

"I am in general in sympathy with the proposed plan"—Alexander B. Thowbridge, Washington, D. C.

"We are altogether sympathetic with the purpose of your program"—Louis La Beame, La Beame & Klein, St. Louis, Missouri.

"I wonder if any plan for advertising the value of an architect's services would not necessarily include a frequent repetition of the statement that 'there are good architects and bad architects', and that the owner will have to be mightily particular about choosing his architect, otherwise he might find himself back again in the class of people who do not believe in employing architects"—Robert D. Kohn, New York, N. Y.

"I think such an education is needed but I am very doubtful as to whether it can be effectively done, though I think that if any one can do it you can and I am agreeable to gambling twenty-five dollars a year for two years on the proposal"—Aymar Embury II, New York, N. Y.

"In principle I think the idea is a very good one"—Henry Ives Cobb, New York, N. Y.

"I feel that your plan is a very worthy one and should be encouraged in every way possible"—Dwight James Baum, Riverdale, New York.

"I am so favorably impressed by what you are doing that I will bring it up at the Washington Chapter meeting tomorrow night and urge the Chapter members to cooperate"—Horace W. Pearse, Washington, D. C.

"Best luck to you in what you are trying to do and be assured of our hearty sympathy"—Alfred Graninger, Granger & Bollenger, Chicago, Illinois.

"Your idea is an excellent one. Its value will of course depend entirely on how well you do the advertising"—W. O. Loubow, Ludlow & Peabody, New York, N. Y.

"The writer wishes to advise you that our firm would be willing to do its small financial share towards your projected program"—M. H. Scharman, Scharman & Berger, New York, N. Y.

"More than delighted to know that you will undertake this work"—William B. Ittner, St. Louis, Missouri.

"You can rest assured you will have our hearty co-operation and we would be glad to contribute $25.00 a year for two years"—J. Williams Brent, Boston, Massachusetts.

"I am in favor of the proposition set forth in your letter"—Godfrey M. Ricci, Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

"I think your idea is excellent, and I would be glad to make my subscription"—Kenneth W. Daley, East Orange, New Jersey.

"With an increasing proportion of the public educated and convinced that an architect should be employed for its building work, the public interest will be better served and, as a by-product, the architectural profession will benefit"—Harry T. Stapperson, Pater­ son, New Jersey.

"I thoroughly agree with you"—William J. Fitzharris, East Orange, New Jersey.

"Absolutely for it"—Alfred Oskel Pollitt, Maplewood, New Jersey.

"I am heartily in favor of the idea"—Arthur E. Dukes, Hacken­ sack, New Jersey.

"We wish to express our appreciation that a publishing company such as yours is behind such a movement and we feel that the architects, generally, should appreciate it and be very grateful and cooperate fully with you in this movement"—Warren D. Miller, Terre Haute, Indiana.

"I was very much interested in your letter"—Carroll O. Benson, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

"We are very much interested in what you are proposing, but it would, of course, be impossible for us to say whether we would be favorable to it, particularly to the extent of contributing, until we know more in detail as to just what is proposed"—George Calks Wright, Pierre & Wright, Indianapolis, Indiana.

"I am heartily in accord with this idea"—A. L. Vegliante, Garfield, New Jersey.

"If this subject can be put across in a clear and convincing manner as you have presented your proposition in your letter it ought to go over big"—Cornelius V. R. Bogart, Hackensack, New Jersey.

"The proper education of the building public to work with the architect is going to be of inestimable value"—Raymond R. Cash-­field, Westfield, New Jersey.

"I cannot see that any one member of my profession could want anything more pleasing to happen"—George R. Jenks, Newark, New Jersey.

"If the client could realize before the project is started that architects and engineers should work hand in hand, the result should be much better building at no greater cost. Clients often do realize this when it is too late"—Lee Burns, Burns & Janes, Indianapolis, Indiana.
"I have been observing lately the general trend of architects' advertising and, in my opinion, it falls very far short of the mark."—James R. Tyler, Rochester, New York.

"Heartily approve your idea."—Royal Barry Wills, Boston, Massachusetts.

"Of course, I am in complete harmony with you on this matter."—Louis Jallage, New York, N. Y.

"It seems too good to be true."—Philip S. Mewhinney, Birmingham, Alabama.

"We are most heartily back of any legitimate public idea for educating the public."—Robert Bloker, Kansas City, Missouri.

"Will of course support you willingly in any way, and to a much greater extent than you suggest."—W. H. Cook, Youngstown, Ohio.

"Undesignated witnesses no difficulty in securing work. Have put my business on an architectural and legal business years ago."—Lawrence Flag Hyke, Oakland, California.

"I am in favor of the campaign."—Frederick A. Fletcher, Baltimore, Maryland.

"Count us in and glad to get a chance to do something."—Howard R. Perrin, Klamath Falls, Oregon.

"I am in favor of your plan."—Harold W. Detty, Portland, Oregon.

"We are heartily in accord with your idea."—Cech. A. Schilling, Long Beach, California.

"I am very much interested in your proposition."—C. F. J. Barnes, Detroit, Michigan.

"We are in favor of your plan."—J. H. Quinn, Chicago, Illinois.

"Your letter has interested me very much."—James W. Kidney, Buffalo, New York.

"Yours of the sixth has my sincere interest."—Henry B. Summer, Providence, Rhode Island.

"Most assuredly I am for it with my $25.00 per year for two years or more."—Edgar L. Love, Huntsville, Alabama.

"I feel that this idea undoubtedly is worth considering."—A. C. Zimmern, Los Angeles, California.

"I, for one, am heartily in favor!"—Paul H. Johnson, Springfield, Massachusetts.

"I am certainly in favor of the program that you have in mind."—Glen H. Thomas, Wichita, Kansas.

"I am in full accord with your plan!"—M. F. Whittaker, Orangeburg, South Carolina.

"I wish to congratulate you upon this movement."—Clarence W. Delt, Chicago, Illinois.

"I have read your plan with a great deal of interest!"—Harry F. Hudson, Buffalo, New York.

"I admit the truth of your statements."—Samuel Abramson, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

"Certainly, we shall contribute $25.00. Draftsmen, too, are willing to part with $5.00."—Joseph C. Goddard, Bay City, Michigan.

"I am enthusiastically in favor of the plan!"—A. Corbus, St. Louis, Missouri.

"I heartily approve of your plan in principle."—E. Dean Parker, New Rochelle, New York.

"I express the approval of our firm!"—Kenneth J. Noson, Toronto, Canada.

"I am most heartily in favor of the project."—Wesley P. Sprague, Portsmouth, Ohio.

"I heartily concur in your idea!"—Harry Hake, Cincinnati, Ohio.

"We are very much interested. We believe you will strike a sympathetic chord in the architectural profession."—Lynn W. Fag, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

"We are heartily in favor of such a campaign."—C. M. Hare, New York, N. Y.

"We are very much interested in your idea."—Ben F. McMurry, Knoxville, Tennessee.

"I congratulate you upon your endeavor to improve the situation and you have my hearty support!"—Louis S. Newton, Burlington, Vermont.

"Would be willing to contribute to this!"—Arthur H. Goodall, New York, N. Y.

"We are prepared to contribute $25.00 a year for two years."—H. M. Sterf, Rochester, N. Y.

"I am heartily in favor of the campaign!"—John W. Teardale, St. Louis, Missouri.

"I wish to congratulate the Pencil Points for taking up the problem of advertising the architectural profession."—Walter Carlson, Wilmington, Delaware.

"We would be willing to go into a two-year agreement of this kind and several of the men in our office said that it would be agreeable for them to contribute!"—R. J. Clauden, Davenport, Iowa.
"Your circular letter is indeed interesting to me"—Henry I. Gaines, Asheville, North Carolina.

"This is an excellent idea, and we are very much in favor of it. Please send a copy to"—Branson V. Gammel, Detroit, Michigan.

"Our firm and everyone connected with it will be very much in favor of your plan"—Chandler C. Coramont, Billings, Montana.

"A cause like this should have the fullest support of the profession"—W. F. Waterley, Burlington, Iowa.

"We are in hearty accord with your proposal and will back same financially"—Edmund J. Proenzinski, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"I believe that a wonderful work can be done along these lines and that you are in an excellent position to handle the matter"—Paul F. Mann, Buffalo, New York.

"We are heartily for your plan in principle, and should like to receive further information as to details"—W. D. Parker, Boston, Massachusetts.

"We shall be pleased to subscribe $25.00 per year for two years to such a fund and shall be interested in receiving further information regarding your plans for the same"—A. S. Kerr, Kansas City, Missouri.

"I am heartily in favor of such a scheme. My Drafting Room force is also favorably disposed toward the scheme"—E. William Martin, Wilmington, Delaware.

"I think your idea and plan is an excellent one, and I want to register myself as heartily in favor of it"—James H. MacNaughton, Boston, Massachusetts.

"The plan is an excellent one"—Harry E. Maher, Evanston, Illinois.

"The fault is largely with the architects. This bureau that syndicates plans and designs of houses—published in all newspapers—plans and specifications, etc. sold for $25.00 is killing the business of house architects—and house architecture is where most architects start. These are very good plans and designs—for $25.00. Why hire an architect?"—Joseph W. Northrop, Houston, Texas.

"We are heartily in accord with the program"—W. D. Harper, Florence, South Carolina.

"For it, and would contribute"—Lewis J. Sarsky, Battle Creek, Michigan.

"I am very much interested in your plan"—Eli W. Goldstein, Buffalo, New York.

"The idea is all right"—Ray R. Gaugler, St. Paul, Minnesota.

"I would be willing to contribute toward such a movement and will be glad to hear more about it"—A. F. Evans, New York, N. Y.

"This is an excellent movement"—Walter H. Verinenhal, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

"I am quite in accord with such a procedure"—Newton L. Lockwood, Plainville, Connecticut.

"I am heartily in sympathy with the proposal"—Edward M. Bridges, Waseca, Massachusetts.

"I am very much in sympathy with the movement"—Howard T. Yater, Syracuse, New York.

"Now is the time to save our work"—W. C. Stephenson, Bellingham, Texas.

"You can count on this office for $25.00 per year"—Hanien & Waggoner, Mason City, Iowa.

"This office is very much interested in your new venture"—Eugene A. Stopper, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

"I assure you that I am for your suggestion"—C. C. Coursey, North Platte, Nebraska.

"Your circular letter is very interesting. We would be very glad to contribute"—John P. Thomas, Portland, Maine.

"We are quite in sympathy with the idea"—Frank R. Watson, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

"I am in hearty accord with your plan"—Galen H. Nichols, Albany, New York.

"We consider this a very good proposition, and are glad to be considered as subscribers to the idea"—Harry J. Kerrigan, New York, N. Y.

"I am for it!"—A. L. Delehanty, Albany, New York.

"I am heartily in favor of the idea"—Lawrence M. Loeb, New Rochelle, New York.

"I am with you, heart and soul!"—Edmund Herrmann, Canton, Ohio.

"If you have taken on a big contract and I'm with you"—Amos S. Wade, Amityville, L. I., New York.

"We heartily endorse your plan, and will gladly contribute"—Robert W. Nyberg, Burlington, Iowa.

"I congratulate you on your appeal"—Ethan Allen Dennison, New York, N. Y.

"I am heartily in favor of your proposition"—William H. Huntley, Chicago, New York.

"I am for it!"—G. Wesley Stickle, Erie, Pennsylvania.

"I think you can be of great service to the profession"—Edwin H. Denby, New York, N. Y.

"Your plan is very good and necessary. Count on us to assist in this program"—Otto J. Kiang, Youngstown, Ohio.

"Your plan is worth any architect's attention and worthy of everyone's cooperation"—Bernard H. Lawson, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

"I am for it if it is of a nature that it will reach the prospective building public"—Charles A. Carpenter, Rochester, New York.

"I am in sympathy with the program you outlined"—William W. Drumkev, Boston, Massachusetts.

"I am heartily in accord with your project"—Frank B. Gray, Aurora, Illinois.

"We are thoroughly in accord with your ideas"—Arthur Goss, New York, N. Y.

"I am willing to give $25.00 a year for two years to educate laymen concerning the value of architectural services"—Beverley T. Nelson, St. Louis, Missouri.

"I am heartily in favor of your idea"—W. W. Prevey, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"I am exceedingly interested in your plan"—Welfred E. Provost, Manchester, New Hampshire.

"We are heartily in accord with your proposal"—Charles R. Strong, Cincinnati, Ohio.

"We are very much in favor of your proposed campaign of publicity in the interests of Architecture"—Regan & Weller, Memphis, Tennessee.

"We will be pleased to subscribe"—Arthur Rosenblum, Boston, Massachusetts.

"We have faith in your ability to put it across"—Frederick A. Munchberg, Reading, Pennsylvania.

"I am in accord with your proposal"—William E. Hunt, Torrington, Connecticut.

"We are for this—100%. We agree with you that it will result in a decent and adequate scale of compensation"—Whitehouse & Price, Spokane, Washington.

"We most certainly need just such an advertising campaign as you suggest and who could be in a better position to administer the funds for such a venture than the staff of Pencil Points"—J. Robert Harris, Hollywood, California.

"It is a splendid and worthy undertaking"—Frederick D. Marsh, Royal Oak, Michigan.

"I am heartily in favor of the idea"—Ted Mason, Wichita, Kansas.

"By all means, yes"—Thierry & Matthews, New Orleans, Louisiana.

"We heartily approve of the idea"—C. L. Hitchens, Mobile, Alabama.

"We are heartily in accord with your idea and consider your efforts highly commendable"—Samuel S. Oman, Chicago, Illinois.

"I shall give you my sincere co-operation in this matter by contributing to a fund for the purpose"—C. I. Krajeski, Dubuque, Iowa.

"I am very much interested and I am very favorable to the idea"—Murray Klein, Brooklyn, N. Y.

"I heartily endorse this idea and hope you will be successful in executing it"—Dana Somers, Boston, Massachusetts.

"I will be glad to cooperate with you in this matter"—Robert G. Chapman, Birmingham, Alabama.

"I express my hearty support"—John S. Bartley, Waterloo, Iowa.

"Your circular letter strikes a warm note in my bosom!"—Howard F. Baldwin, Baltimore, Maryland.

"We shall be heartily in favor of your plan"—S. Lloyd Beall, Washington, Pennsylvania.

"We are interested in your proposal and would be glad to cooperate with you in any way"—Harold Holmcr, Concord, New Hampshire.

"I like your proposition. I will be glad to give my cooperation in any way to help this movement"—James F. Schindler, Syracuse, New York.

"We wish to go on record as being thoroughly in accord with the idea"—J. Frazer Smith & H. M. Burnham, Memphis, Tennessee.

"I cannot but feel that your proposition is a most excellent one"—Edward Underwood, Edmonton, Alberta.

"We would be favorable to contributing to a fund for this purpose"—Kenneth H. Geerke, Hastings, Nebraska.

"We are partly in accord with your proposed plan and feel that such a project if properly carried out will be an excellent thing for the profession"—C. T. Jackson, Boston, Massachusetts.

"Speaking for our firm, we are inclined to favor it"—A. E. Price, New York, N. Y.
"I am very much in sympathy with your purpose and object"—H. M. King, Louisville, Kentucky.

"I would want a thorough explanation of the method to be used"—Bernard Panek, Cincinnati, Ohio.

"I agree with you that it is necessary to bring the service of an architect to the public"—E. A. Sturman, Sturman, Wisconsin.

"I am interested, and would like to know how you mean to go about it"—Hollis Jones, Portland, Oregon.

"I think your plan is highly commendable, exceedingly comprehensive and, if carried out, will be productive of results well worth the time and money it will cost"—Edgewood B. Church, Huntington, Texas.

"I should be pleased to support any legitimate movement for the betterment of the architectural profession"—Cecil A. Shantz, Chicago, Illinois.

"The plan not only seems feasible, but highly commendable"—Carl Nielsen, Chicago, Illinois.

"We are certainly in sympathy with your plan"—Burnham Brothers, Chicago, Illinois.

"I have read this with a great deal of interest"—Max J. Unkelbach, New Britain, Connecticut.

"Sure I am for it"—E. A. Bimann, Miami, Florida.

"I am truly in accord with the idea and if such a work could be done the architect might not be considered as merely just an unnecessary nuisance"—Carlos C. Lacy, Niagara Falls, New York.

"I am heartily in favor of your plan and think you should be able to do a wonderful service"—Kemper Nelson, Los Angeles, California.

"I am heartily in favor of your scheme"—Lewis Wood Eakle, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

"I am certainly for it and I wish to commend your courage in starting this job"—Richard R. Boyd, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

"A most noble adventure and I am sure the architects of the country will be with you 100%"—Eliott B. Halstrom, St. Petersburg, Florida.

"You can count on us being behind this movement"—C. F. Dyer, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

"This is best idea yet and demands attention. I am for it"—Harry F. Aalm, Kansas City, Missouri.

"I am very much interested in this proposition"—William G. Upham, Newton, Massachusetts.

"Any architect having the interest of the profession at heart could do nothing else but endorse your proposal"—Frederick H. Meyer, San Francisco, California.

"There is need for education in this field and we think that good can be accomplished"—Charles C. Wilson, Columbia, South Carolina.

"I certainly am in sympathy with the movement"—W. H. Blair, Janesville, Wisconsin.

"I am with you wholeheartedly, body and spirit"—N. P. Backes, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

"If you can show me a concrete plan whereby the layman home builder may be reached and educated, I am interested"—R. G. Lennar, Freeport, Ohio.

"We are very much in accord in this idea"—Douglas Orr, New Haven, Connecticut.

"I am in favor of any project which gives proper publicity to our profession provided it is carried out in a manner which is in accord with our high standard of professional ethics"—Rollin C. Chapin, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"Undoubtedly there is plenty of room for work of this nature"—Rollin E. Gerhart, Dayton, Ohio.

"The proposition sounds good to me and I am for it strongly and hope in going forward is possible and practical"—L. P. Wheat, Jr., Washington, D. C.

"I will appreciate further information with respect to your program"—Frederick G. Muelle, Hamilton, Ohio.

"It is impossible for any firm or group of architects to carry out an extension advertising campaign, but a national campaign should produce real results"—Francis M. Baldwin, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

"We are heartily in favor of the architects doing an extension advertising campaign, but a national campaign should produce real results"—Alaska J. Wyand, Riverside, Illinois.

"We are heartily in accord with the sentiment expressed therein and would be very glad to hear more of the proposal"—Redick B. Eikel, San Francisco, California.

"I wish to thank you for the effort which you are making on behalf of the architects"—Albert J. Evans, San Francisco, California.

"This is the thing most needed by our profession"—Earl Hallenbeck, Syracuse, New York.

"I am personally in accord with the general idea"—Leonard P. Bottino, New York, N. Y.

"It seems this proposition is being given much consideration and I hope something definite will result"—Arthur Dahlstrom, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"We think that your idea of improving the situation is good"—W. G. Eccles, New Castle, Pennsylvania.

"I am in favor of the plan"—Herbert A. Bell, Miami, Arizona.

"I would like to know some of the details. At any rate you can count on me as a supporter of any such movement"—Herbert C. Duncans, Alexandria, Louisiana.

"I am very much in accord with your purpose"—E. P. Valenkuneg, Middletown, New York.


"For it"—Thomas S. Tanner, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

"I'm for it!"—Harvey P. Smith, San Antonio, Texas.

"We are for this movement!"—John G. Becker, San Angelo, Texas.

"Yes, I am for it!"—Carl V. Johnson, Des Moines, Iowa.

"I for one am with you"—Walter H. Parker, Roth & Parker, Los Angeles, California.

"Such a scheme as you suggest is certainly worthy of further investigation and we can assure you of our interest in the same"—Adolph C. Barry, Hammond, Indiana.

"You would be very much interested to hear further on the matter outlined—when it is further developed!"—Arthur B. Heaton, Washington, D. C.

"This seems like a worthwhile movement"—Earl F. Miller, Appleton, Wisconsin.

"The above outlined proposal is certainly interesting and worthy of consideration by all practicing architects"—J. R. Smith, Lincoln, Nebraska.

"The cause which you are contemplating bringing pressure on is certainly worthy, but we do not see how you can accomplish it through magazine work and until we know more of the details, do not feel able to express ourselves on the subject!"—C. B. Rowley, Cleveland, Ohio.

"I am heartily in favor of any effort along that line!"—Lester H. Lippman, Pasadena, California.

"The idea is a good one!"—Nicklas & Rockne, Cleveland, Ohio.

"Your suggestion contains the germ of a most excellent idea!"—A. Blair Redington, St. Louis, Missouri.

"I think your plan is very interesting!"—Henry C. Churchill, New York, N. Y.

"You may be assured of my wholehearted support of any movement to further the interest of the profession"—C. O. Chromafer, W. G. Clark & Company, Fort Worth, Texas.

"You should have the cooperation of the architects 100 per cent!"—Darley Craig, Petersburg, Virginia.

"We are heartily in favor of the proposed campaign and find that almost every architect in this community feels that he would like to give it his support!"—William G. Kaesler, Gordon & Keister, Rochester, New York.

"I am with you!"—W. E. Reynolds, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

"Your proposition presents wonderful possibilities. Good luck. Want to see it succeed!"—F. A. Harkes, St. Petersburg, Florida.

"We endorse your idea most highly!"—A. C. Exchwalder, Exchwalder & Exchwalder, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

"This service on your part we consider would be of inestimable value to all engaged in this profession and we consider it would render a most valuable service to the public in general!"—John S. Porter, McCarter & Nairne, Vancouver, B. C, Canada.

"I believe that you have taken the right move in the right direction!"—Charles H. Enslow, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

"Your suggestion is a good one and may bear fruit!"—A. Campbell Hope, Vancouver, B. C, Canada.

"I believe the plan to be very practical and will be glad to do something towards its accomplishment!"—J. W. Everman, Cleveland, Ohio.

"We are in hearty accord with your program!"—W. P. Manns, W. P. Manns & Associates, St. Louis, Missouri.

"We believe that your idea of educating the public as to the services rendered by an architect should proceed at once!"—Noel H. Hicks, Hadlow, Hughes, Hix & Conradi, Cleveland, Ohio.

"There is a need for this thing and I am in favor of it!"—Stanley M. Peterson, Evanston, Illinois.

"We are pleased to hear of your idea and want to congrat­ulate you on stepping forward with a concrete idea for publicity which will help the architect!"—William G. Rock, Balch & Stanbery, Los Angeles, California.
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"I am very much interested in your proposition"—FRANK C. WALTER, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

"I wish that this matter is handled in the proper way it can accomplish a great deal"—MAESE W. FISHER, Dubuque, Iowa.

"I wish to compliment you on your initiative"—JOHN L. HAMILTON, Chicago, Illinois.

"I am for your plan"—WILLIAM L. BOWLES, Watertown, Wisconsin.

"Mr. Smith and I are very cordially disposed towards any sensible plan which will benefit the profession at large"—HAKOLO O. REIP, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

"We have been seeking for some years a way to educate the public but I feel that your suggestion points a way to that end"—GEORGE E. MERRILL, Secretary of Architecture, American Baptist Home Mission Society, New York, N. Y.

"You don't know just what your idea is but I would like to keep in touch"—CHARLES W. STEINBAUGH, Omaha, Nebraska.

"There is no question your idea is a very sensible one"—T. CHARLES LEE, Los Angeles, California.

"We believe that before any architect agrees to contribute to a fund of this character a more specific explanation should be made as to how the fund will be used to promote the architect's position in the minds of possible clients"—ROBERT E. BOURNE, Mundie and Jensen, Chicago, Illinois.

"I think this matter is one to be discussed in Chapter Meeting and am so suggesting to the President of the Louisiana Chapter"—V. A. MYERSON, New Orleans, Louisiana.

"The Chapter has requested me to express its whole-hearted appreciation and support of what you intend to do"—W. S. ARRAISMIT, Secretary, Kentucky Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, Lexington, Kentucky.

"The Chapter membership believe that a better understanding of the services rendered by the Architectural Profession will be beneficial to those who finance, those who build, and those who occupy buildings as well as to the Architectural Profession, and commend your endeavor to work out a plan to educate laymen concerning the value of architectural services"—LEWIS HANCOCK, Secretary, Scranton-Wilkes-Barre Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

"I am certainly strong for this idea, provided of course that it is handled in the right way, and that I hope you will receive much encouragement and support in this urgent and worthy cause"—ARTHUR T. REMICK, New York, N. Y.

"I do not know of any place that I would be more willing to contribute $25.00 a year for two years and I can tell you that I would be glad to do it"—EDWARD L. LEE, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

"My Council is very much interested by your plan"—LUDGER MEYNA, Honorary Secretary, The Province of Quebec Association of Architects, Montreal, Canada.

"We feel that your proposal should have the 100% backing of every architect in all parts of the country"—FEED L. SWART, Swarts & Ryland, Monterey, California.

"I am heartily in accord with everything you say and will do what I can to persuade others to support your programme"—F. H. MERRICK, Toronto, Canada.

"The architects in the larger cities get plenty of advertising for the services rendered by the Architectural Profession will be benefited by the publicity which is given"—HAROLD O. REIF, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

"We should like to assure members of this Chapter that Canada is interested in the plan outlined in this letter and would agree to contribute twenty-five dollars a year for two years for such a fund"—RUSSELL HOWARD, DaBois, Pennsylvania.

"There is no doubt in my mind that the public should be better educated regarding architects' services"—ORRISAN BISH, Lexington, Kentucky.

"We will advise you of our hearty approval and desire to assist you in every way possible"—C. H. O'KEELEY, Miami, Florida.

"Your attitude and your contemplated activities relative to this matter meet with my hearty endorsement"—HARRY D. PAYNE, Houston, Texas.

"We are favorable to the idea providing the means used are of a type calculated to help bring the desired result"—ALBERT C. McNEALD, Detroit, Michigan.

"We heartily endorse the educational plan"—ARTHUR K. HVED, Detroit, Michigan.

"You desire to educate laymen concerning the value of architectural services ought to be commended and supported"—SHERY H. KORRIS, Kansas City, Missouri.

"All sounds just right"—ARTHUR D. JONES, Mansfield, Ohio.

"It would seem to us that the lead you intend to take to educate the public concerning the value of architectural services is mightily fine"—WALLACE P. BEARDSLEY, Auburn, New York.

"At the outset we wish to say that we are thoroughly in sympathy with your ideas"—ELMER A. STUCK, Little Rock, Arkansas.

"I heartily endorse your plan"—MAURICE E. KESSEL, Orlando, Florida.

"Your proposed educational service to the architectural profession found, in me, a welcome and responsive appeal"—ARTHUR F. COOK, Savannah, Georgia.

"Some action must be taken by the architects shortly and I am very glad that you have be fore-sighted enough to be willing to pioneer in this line"—S. BRUCE ELWELL, Boston, Massachusetts.

"Your proposed plan is very creditable and should have the support of the architectural profession in every community where no effort is being made by the state architectural societies in this direction"—LEON E. STANHOE, Chicago, Illinois.

"Any movement that would successfully accomplish that end, of course, have my approval; that is, provided it were 'handed on the highest professional plane'"—WILLIAM C. NOLAND, Richmond, Virginia.

"Feel quite interested in the suggestion"—W. H. EMMOT, Jr., Baltimore, Maryland.

"You have hit upon a subject in which I have been interested, passive, for years"—VICTOR A. MATHIS, Chicago, Illinois.

"I most heartily agree with you that something must be done if we hope to receive due consideration from the trickery selfish building public"—FRANK H. DRAKEFORM, Akron, Ohio.

"You can count on me and the two men who work for me. Start on the A.I.A. with their Small House Bureau which to my positive knowledge has put several good young architects out of business and driven them out of their profession"—GUY B. JOHNSON, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

"My most enthusiastic personal endorsement"—BERNARD HAYTER, Rochester, New York.

"You have certainly put your finger on a very sore spot and I certainly wish you success in your efforts"—A. L. BROOKWAY, Syracuse, New York.

"As an individual I am decidedly for your proposition of doing something for the standing of the Profession"—CLARENCE T. MYERS, Indianapolis, Indiana.

"My heartfelt congratulations for your thought!"—HALL CREWS, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

"We enthusiastically endorse your effort"—GEORGE GIN, Tacoma, Washington.
"I have read your letter with much interest and am fully in accord with your views"—ROBERT H. OAK, Los Angeles, California.

"We believe that it will be of great value to the profession"—H. E. NEWITT, Peoria, Illinois.

"We sincerely hope that your plan will be put into operation soon so that it will be of great value to all architects as well as the general public"—H. E. NEWITT, Reading, Pennsylvania.

"Attacks perhaps the most vital problem with which the architectural profession is concerned and cannot help but interest the serious student and consideration of all architects as well as those directly or indirectly engaged in the profession"—PAUL MAXWELL, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

"It appears to me that you have in mind a very important project which will be welcomed with great appreciation by all of us"—GILBERT L. VANAllen, Syracuse, New York.

"The sooner we put architecture on a business basis the sooner the architect, instead of the contractor will lead in building construction. Legitimate means should be used. Advertising is legitimate"—R. C. HUGENIN, Butte, Montana.

"It will be very much appreciated if you would go further into the matter with me"—MALCOLM G. SIMONS, San Antonio, Texas.

"We wish to go on record as heartily endorsing the suggestion as outlined"—EUGLE S. SPILLER, Toronto, Canada.

"I am heartily in favor of the principle"—G. P. BROWN, New York, N. Y.

"Feel assured that you will have my support in any plan which will bring the question forcefully to the laymen's attention"—J. E. COX, Joliet, Illinois.

"It will be much appreciated if you would go further into the matter with me"—ALFRED LEONARD, Springfield, Massachusetts.

"I shall be glad to cooperate in every possible way"—THOMAS K. HENDREYX, Bradford, Pennsylvania.

"If you have something in mind for the little fellow, I shall be very glad to take a crack at it"—LYNN TEKULV, Tofton, Ohio.

"If the plan is thoroughly investigated and approved by the A.I.A. I would be in favor"—ALEXANDER McCALL, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

"I am heartily in favor of the principle"—G. H. HOBROOK, Davenport, Iowa.

"When I give me some idea of your plans, not only will I contribute, but I am willing to help in other ways if needed"—A. E. KLEPP, Mendota, Illinois.

"This proposal is wonderful and far-sighted—and of course we wish it success"—IRA A. YAN, Orlando, Florida.

"We are working on a scheme which, if sufficiently extensive, should commendable value to the profession"—EDWARD C. SMITH, Poughkeepsie, New York.

"We would like to place your letter before the members of the Manitoba Association of Architects at a general meeting to be held on January 20th. We will communicate with you further"—IDA A. RYAN, Orlando, Florida.

"We wish to express ourselves as being wholeheartedly in favor of your plan"—CARL W. CLARK, Boston, Massachusetts.

"I shall be glad to cooperate in every possible way"—ROBIN B. CARWELL, Fort Madison, Iowa.

"I am heartily in accord with the sentiment expressed in your letter"—V. McIVER, Great Falls, Montana.

"We wish at this time to let you know that we are heartily in favor of your plan"—EDWARD O. ANDERSON, Salt Lake City, Utah.

"I am most heartily in favor of such a movement provided it follows the lines indicated in your letter and would support it earnestly"—FRANCIS J. TAYLOR, Hanover, Maryland.

"The plan you have outlined is a most commendable one"—W. L. FISHER, Denver, Colorado.

"I am heartily in accord with the sentiment expressed in your letter and will contribute a sum of interest not unmixed with some elation, but with a great deal of temperance"—LYNN T. SMITH, Evanston, Illinois.

"We are heartily in accord with the sentiment of your letter and will contribute to a fund to relieve the situation"—ALBERT S. ROM, Ada, Oklahoma.

"The situation in that regard is even worse than you describe it and of course if this could be improved even as much as 25% it would be of very great importance to the profession and I am willing to help in any way that I can"—JOHN R. GRIFFS, Huntington, West Virginia.

"I agree with you on most of your indictments but think it is as much the architect's fault, if not more, that the public is not educated to their value and I think they need some educating as well as the public"—J. H. ANTRIM, Montrose, Colorado.

"I think it is the prerogative if not the duty of the architectural press to do the job of educating the public. The architect and draftsman have a tremendous burden in educating themselves"—HENRY K. H UISE, Chicago, Illinois.

"There certainly is not an item concerning the profession today which is of so much importance as this matter of publicity"—GEORGE C. WRIGHT, Indianapolis, Indiana.

"A plan of this kind is universal in service"—LEONARD C. HENRY, Chicago, Illinois.

"We believe that doctors as a class are good examples of public education and we see no reason why the architects should not be alive enough to the situation to follow suit"—GEORGE A. SNOWE, St. Paul, Minnesota.

"We are very heartily in favor of your proposed plan"—E. T. MACK, Tacoma, Washington.

"An advertising campaign such as you seem to have in mind would benefit you all and more if not the competent architect, and the competent architect would be the one who would pay for it. We are interested, however, in your proposal and will be pleased to receive additional information"—ANITA J. TEMPLE, Davenport, Iowa.

"It is the writer's opinion that this campaign should be conducted in cooperation with the National Board of your association"—Institute of Architects rather than with individual architects"—HARRY L. MEAD, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

"Of course we are interested in anything to help the profession along, but as yet we are from Missouri"—ELMER E. CHAPMAN, St. Louis, Missouri.

"The plan proposed in your letter of January 6th is a very good one and should meet with approval of architects in general. I believe, however, that the greatest competition is from those architects who do not charge full fees as outlined by the American Institute of Architects rather than with individual architects"—S. N. CROW, Chicago, Illinois.

"Our first reaction is that the various architectural societies have arrived at your own state of mind at about the same time you have, and we would be inclined to wait and see what they will do"—JOHN H. STEVENS, Portland, Maine.

"I am inclined to believe, with the president of one of our great universities that the only education there can be is self-education"—GEORGE L. SMITH, Boston, Massachusetts.

"The architect of small means would be foolish to advise the public through advertising to select the best architect available, as you know that points to the one already best established. Remember how hard pressed the small architect is, and be democratic in your advertising"—A. FOLLEST, Springfield, Missouri.

"We believe, however, it would be better if this campaign were conducted through cooperation with the American Institute of Architects, as the secretary of the local chapters is in close touch with its members than any advertising organization"—LEONARD WILLIAMS, Detroit, Michigan.

"I am very much in favor of your plan and will be very pleased to contribute $25.00 a year. I think, however, that the plan of publicity should be very carefully thought out and such publicity carried on in a highly dignified manner, through a medium that will reach important people, so that it will not have the character of advertising that might do more harm than good"—H. ROY KELLEY, Los Angeles, California.

"Your idea is great, but $10,000.00 is a drop in the bucket and I would advise that you save it, with the information at hand as furnished by you. Your plan may be different and it may work; I sure hope it does"—GEORGE EICHER, Erie, Pennsylvania.

"The Rochester Society of Architects, of which I am a member, is endeavoring to do just what you propose to do"—HORACE T. HUNT, Rochester, New York.

"Your three closing paragraphs are splendid. Naturally anything that helps the architect is bound to help the public. That's the business purpose of it. But, using the same argument, what a field there is for you to encourage the architect, not in its untenable claim for greater consideration and appreciation, but rather in fitting himself to give such service as will materially bring him a return of voluntary, real, and merited appreciation instead of the artificially created one all effort seems to be centered upon securing now"—F. W. FITZPATRICK, Evanston, Illinois.
"We do not believe that it is advisable for us to participate at the present time. The American Institute of Architects have been considering a plan similar to this and should they do so, we would naturally want to give it our entire support"—EDGAR W. MAYBURY, Passadena, California.

"It is somewhat doubtful as to what tangible results can be secured by any educational scheme along these lines, and, of course, unless some tangible results are obtained, it is simply a question of throwing good money after bad, but we all realize that if something is not done in some way or another, conditions will probably get worse instead of better"—FREDERICK H. ELXY, Santa Ana, California.

"It is very gratifying to hear that Pencil Points is going to take up the cudgels on behalf of architects"—ANGEL H. OWEN, Alameda, California.

"Something should be done and whatever that will be it should be of such make-up that all architects and in particular those living in small towns will get full benefit"—GEORGE ISKENUTH, Huron, South Dakota.

"This was taken up in our Chapter Meeting of the American Institute of Architects and it was agreed that this was a fine thing for our Profession and that we would contribute as a Chapter directly to your fund"—HARRY C. CHILD, Sayre, Pennsylvania.

"I believe such publicity is much more necessary on the frontiers of architecture than in the highly civilized centers"—CLARENCE W. BRADEN, New York, N. Y.

"I would be favorable to the idea of contributing $25.00 a year for two years to a fund to be used in educating the investing public to the advantages in the use of architects. The ten draftsmen in our office would also be willing to contribute $5.00 for the same purpose"—WALTER T. WILLIAMS, New York, N. Y.

"Your letter sums up the difficulties of the architects"—HARRY C. GRAY, Dayton, Ohio.

"There is no doubt at all that the position of architecture in the lay mind is due to nothing other than failure upon the part of the profession to let folks know why and how they are entitled to be recognized"—GEORGE E. RAMEY, Champaign, Illinois.

"I am certainly in favor of such a plan"—GEORGE E. RAMEY, Champaign, Illinois.

"I think you are attempting a very large order and should have support not only from architects but also from general contractors throughout the country, from sub-contractors, and from manufacturers of building materials"—ROBERT E. MITCHELL, Washington, D. C.

"We would consider your suggestion favorably, but it must be remembered that such public information is good only when it gets to people"—GEORGE E. V. BLACKMIRE, Enid, Oklahoma.

"We were very much impressed"—J. W. LUCAS, St. Louis, Missouri.

"Would it not be better to try to experiment for one year instead of two?"—EDWARD L. SHAFE, New York, N. Y.

"If I am heartily in accord with such a movement and would be glad to make some annual contribution to such a scheme"—W. F. STAUNTON, Jr., Los Angeles, California.

"I do not believe that any single method of publicity will lead to the goal, but that every legitimate and professional means should be used for bringing about the desired results. Furthermore, in the writer's opinion, the Institute is the proper organization to undertake this, at least to direct it"—M. H. FURRINGE, Memphis, Tennessee.

"If I favor the idea in its general aspects and would be willing to contribute"—HARRY B. BRAINERD, New York, N. Y.

"Your letter outlines a kind of service to the profession which might prove to be very real and helpful"—R. C. HENRY, Boston, Massachusetts.

"The first place to advocating architectural and engineering service is to those institutions lending money. If each institution placing mortgages would first inquire whether the building had been planned by a competent architect, both the money lender and the architect would profit. Until the money lenders have this understanding the laymen can not be convinced"—RICHARD IRVIN, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

"I am heartily in favor of the adoption of a plan which will sell architectural service to the public"—HOWELL TAYLOR, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

"Your 'moonshine' is in the mail, with the proposition that you want to help promote an architect's business—passing the hat to us, at the same time). Fine spirit truly—but at the end of seeing the architectural press work, for twenty-five years, I am afraid that you can't get up any momentum; you have been sound 'asleep at the switch', it sounds pathetic to me, to send out your 'straw grasping' proposition. Big Business owes the architectural profession a great debt; it has not been paid to date. You can, if you are in earnest in your plan, make them pay this debt, without passing the hat to us"—WILLIAM T. SCHMITT, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

"I am in hearty sympathy with an advance on the whole front, but I cannot subscribe to a spear point at an isolated spot"—FREDERICK A. MUIRLETH, Reading, Pennsylvania.

"Your intentions are good, but your innocence of actual conditions is child-like"—A. W. SMITH, Oakland, California.

"Advertising for the education of the public is, of course, desirable, but unless the craft can cooperate to the extent of eliminating unfair competition or forcing requirements on all who dabble in design, of certain regulated standards, any moneys expended for this purpose are sheer waste and evidence of just more feeble attempts at recognition"—C. WILLIAM SWANSON, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

"We are for any workable plan to achieve the object set forth"—GORDON M. WENT, Toronto, Canada.
DELEGATES TO THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF ALPHA RHO CHI, HELD AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

THE DRAFTSMAN’S LIBRARY

In our review of the Year Book of the Annual Architectural Exhibition, Philadelphia, 1929, printed in the January, 1930, issue of Pencil Points, we inadvertently mentioned that the book was dedicated to the late Milton B. Medary and that it contained a special memorial section in which were reproduced a number of Mr. Medary’s sketches and architectural drawings together with a biography. We are now calling attention to the omission in the belief that many of our readers will find the book of interest for this particular feature.


We can become enthusiastic about this book from any point of view—well, almost any. As the publishers state in their announcement, it contains an original print of one of Chamberlain’s etchings as a frontispiece, sixty photogravure reproductions of his pen and pencil sketches, thirty full-page measured drawings by Louis Skidmore, about three hundred admirable photographs of carefully selected subjects, and a descriptive text which is entertaining as well as instructive. They are all good. So here is practical material in great abundance for the architect and designer of domestic work, balanced with a profuse collection of delightful drawings full of information and inspiration for the sketcher and renderer.

The volume is supplementary, in a way, to the famous standard work by Garner and Stratton, Domestic Architecture of the Tudor Period in England, for the authors have searched out and presented a selection of the countless excellent examples of Tudor work which had perforce, for lack of space, to be omitted from the earlier, more exhaustive treatise. The Chamberlain-Skidmore opus deals more particularly with the smaller Tudor homes. “Many of the too famous mansions” (we are quoting from the author’s introduction) “have been omitted entirely, as well as the largest Tudor estates, the gaunt and severe structures which, though important historically, offer small inspiration to present-day builders. Where the better known manors have been illustrated, an effort has been made to present unfamiliar angles of them. In place of the ambitious estates, there has been substituted a large number of modest structures: cottages, farmhouses, wayside inns, and almshouses, which, by their detail or ensemble, offer adaptable information to architects of today.”

Though the price set upon this book may seem to place it beyond the budget allowance of many draftsmen, we offer, as our opinion, that it is worth saving pennies for. It would not only grace any library but, rightly used, could conceivably pay for itself on even one domestic job.

The Honeywood File, by H. B. Creswell; 310 pages, 5" x 7"; price 7s. 6d.; published by The Architectural Press, London.

“Although The Honeywood File is designed to engage aspirants to architectural practice with a lively presentation of the adventures that await them, a picture in which men and women rather than architects and builders occupy the canvas, and which is more concerned with the fabric of life than with the fabric of houses, will perhaps amuse those who have fallen under the spell of bricks and mortar or who are curious of the unexplored.” Thus the author’s preface introduces this delightful and unique book. It is the sort of story that engages the attention of the reader from the very start and makes him want to finish it at a single sitting. Such books are rare.

The story is presented as the contents of a folder from an architect’s correspondence file relating to a single commission. The letters are, of course, arranged chronologically—including those received and those sent out—so that the whole history of the job is laid out before the reader in a most comprehensive way. If you get a copy and read it—and we urge you not to miss it—you will make the acquaintance of James Spinlove, the young architect, Sir Leslie Brash, his client, Lady Brash, Grigbly, the builder, and a number of other characters who will become for you real living people, typical perhaps of the types you are likely to meet in actual architectural practice. From observing the way in which Spinlove conducts his relations with client, client’s wife, builder, district surveyor, material dealers, and all the others—how he gets into difficulties and succeeds in smoothing them out—a great deal of practical value can be learned. That, however, is incidental. The book is of value chiefly for its entertaining quality. It is the only one we have ever
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Print by Ernest Watson, from “Linoleum Block Printing”

seen which presents the practice of architecture as a human experience. We feel, after reading it, like thanking the author and publishers for adding so materially to our enjoyment of the architectural scene. As we saw suggested somewhere—perhaps in the publishers’ blurb—the book would be a splendid gift from an architect to a client or vice versa.


In this book we find a record, in the form of pen and ink sketches, of the many fine old cottages and farmhouses of Norfolk, England. The author, a British Architect, undertook the work in the hope of making the English public realize what a splendid heritage they have in these old buildings, many of which are rapidly falling to decay. Although the sketches are not particularly brilliant as specimens of draftsmanship the subjects have some architectural interest as showing a variety of small dwellings and rural shops. The author’s notes describing the buildings and discussing the materials and methods of construction used in them form a valuable supplement to the drawings.

Linoleum Block Printing, by Ernest W. Watson; 75 pages, 8½" x 11"; price $3.00; published by Milton Bradley Company, Springfield, Mass.

While the making of linoleum block prints does not come within the field of workaday architectural office practice it is an interesting hobby to many architectural draftsmen. It offers tremendous possibilities as a medium for artistic expression, but, whether you just turn to it when you are making your annual Christmas card or go in seriously for the making of fine prints like those of Mr. Watson himself, you will find his book of great assistance. The technique is clearly explained by the text supplemented by admirable drawings and diagrams. Many block prints showing various methods of handling the medium suggest ways for solving your particular problem. We have seen perhaps half a dozen books on the subject of making block prints but none were so clear and thorough as this one.

Projects in Design, by Stanislaw Szukalski; 200 pages, 10¾" x 12"; price $20.00; published by the University of Chicago Press, Chicago.

Reviewed by Frank H. Schwarz

This book of Projects by Stanislaw Szukalski is an arresting and vital book. Szukalski seems like a man who, with great delusions of grandeur, labors mightily to prove his delusions true. The danger in passing judgment is in keeping the middle path, not blaming wholly or casting the work aside as egocentric exaggeration, nor yet swallowing it entire and proclaiming Szukalski hero, prophet, artist, and philosopher all rolled into one. That Szukalski believes this of himself he leaves no doubt whatever. That many do doubt is also clear.

Of the profound ability of the man no one who will look and see can remain unconvinced. It seems to me that Szukalski squanders prodigiously a wealth of most beautiful detail on projects which often seem childish, immature, and even senseless. To one who can enjoy beautiful things the details (the Art) of Szukalski should be easy to enjoy. He is a master of form, always has been, probably will continue, so I do not agree with him that he

Monument to Mickiewicz, from Szukalski’s “Projects in Design”

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Design for Monument to Mussolini, from Szukalski’s “Projects in Design” has developed this by exercise; it is a special talent, neither better nor worse now than it was in Chicago twelve or thirteen years ago. His design extends no further than the details of his form but how wonderful it is within those limits! I have found something to delight me in every plate and nobody can say that his projects do not have some thrill of beauty in them. To take for example, the Mussolini, no matter how one may be affected by what seems gruesome and macabre, the alive beauty of the animals, the curl of the ears, the expression on the snarling mouth, are things of beauty. The fine clash of dark and light in the project for a concrete bridge, the designed swirl of the water, are very fine. In the project for a bold structure the contorted, almost human forms of the clouds racing across a pitchy sky form a fittingly dramatic foil to the fantastic structure in the picture. I choose for preference the Monument to Mickiewicz as being most like Szukalski. It seems to read most easily in its mass—its symbols more acceptable for continuous wear and tear. As a design its details are supreme. I could ask only one thing of Stanislaw,—would he, could he, possibly include somewhere in the composition a single simple vertical line?

OTHER BOOKS RECEIVED
To be reviewed in a later issue.

Mastering a Metropolis, by R. L. Duffus; 302 pages (including index), 5½" x 8½"; price $3.00; published by Harper & Brothers, New York.

The City of Tomorrow, by Le Corbusier, translated from the 8th French Edition of Urbanisme with an introduc-

tion by Frederick Etchells; 302 pages, 7" x 9½"; price $7.50; published by Payson & Clarke, Ltd., New York.

High Lights of Architecture, by Edith Long Thurston; 64 pages, 8" x 11"; price $2.50; published by Bridgman Publishers, Pelham, New York.


Our Cities Today and Tomorrow, by T. K. and H. V. Hubbard; 389 pages (including appendices and index), 6½" x 9½"; price $5.00; published by The Harvard University Press, Cambridge, Mass.

Modern Architecture, by Henry-Russell Hitchcock, Jr.; 241 text pages, 8" x 11", with 58 illustrations; price $5.00; published by Payson & Clarke, Ltd., New York.

Handbook for Architects and Builders, thirty-second edition, 1929; 780 pages, 6" x 9", including indexes and advertising pages; published under the auspices of the Illinois Society of Architects.


The Cathedrals of England and Wales, by T. Francis Bumpus; 344 pages, 6¼" x 8½", including glossary, index, and 56 illustrations; price 25 shillings; published by T. Werner Laurie, Ltd., London.

Year Book of the New York Society of Architects, 1929; 369 pages, 6" x 9"; published by the New York Society of Architects.

A Concrete Bridge with Shoes of Steel, from Szukalski’s “Projects in Design”
PROGRAM

AN OPEN ARCHITECTURAL COMPETITION

FOR THE DESIGN OF

AN EIGHT-ROOM HOUSE AND TWO-CAR GARAGE

The Designer may assume that the choice of Materials is at his discretion.

Authorized by The Pencil Points Press, Inc.

[Russell F. Whitehead, Architect and Editor, has been appointed as Professional Adviser to prepare this program and to act as Adviser in the Conduct of this Competition.]

Participation in this Competition is not limited. Pencil Points is appealing to the competitive spirit of all Architects and Draftsmen, hoping they will be inspired to produce designs of outstanding merit.

Contestants may submit any number of designs.

This Competition Closes at 6 P.M., Thursday, May 15th, 1930.

COMPENSATION TO COMPETITORS

Pencil Points Press, Inc., agrees to pay to the Winners, immediately after the Award by the Jury the following Prizes:

- Premiated Design $1000.00
- Design placed Second $300.00
- Design placed Third $200.00
- Design placed Fourth $100.00

Six MENTIONS

JURY OF AWARD

Pencil Points Press, Inc., agrees that there shall be a Jury of Award composed of Five Architects, representing different sections of the United States.

Pencil Points Press, Inc., and the Competitors agree that the Jury of Award has authority to make the awards and that its decisions shall be final.

PROBLEM

Mandatory. The design of a distinctive and modern house with eight principal rooms, to be built of materials chosen by the designer. The occupants are to be a cultured man, his wife, two children of high-school age, and a servant. Provision shall be made for overnight guests and for genial hospitality.

The house is to be located in the suburbs of a city or in the residential districts of a progressive town, anywhere in the United States. The assumed geographical location to be stated on the drawing. The site is assumed to be in the middle of a block and the land to be level. The lot is rectangular and has a frontage of seventy-five feet (75'-0") on the Street and a depth of one hundred and fifty feet (150'-0"). The Northerly end of the lot faces the Street. A restriction states that no house can be erected nearer than thirty feet from the highway property line and that no building may be placed directly on the other lot lines.

The total area of the first floor shall not exceed one thousand two hundred (1200) square feet, including the area of the garage and porches.

Provision is to be made for Living Room, Dining Room (separate or combined), Kitchen and Five Bedrooms. Four Bathrooms, one two-fixture Lavatory and Pantry are to be provided.

One of the Bedrooms and one of the Bathrooms are to be located on the first floor for possible use as maid's room or guest room. The necessary circulations are to be included. There shall be at least one Closet for each Bedroom, a Linen Closet and a Coat Closet. If cellar is to be used for other than utilitarian purposes accessible stairway shall be included.
CONSIDERATIONS OF THE JURY OF AWARD:
1. Evidence of the imagination and skill of the contestant.
2. The Architectural Merit of the design and the Ingenuity shown in the development of the plans.
3. Fitness of the design as a whole to meet the spirit and needs of the problem.
4. Practicability of Construction.

Excellence of Rendering, while desirable, will not have undue weight with the Jury, in comparison with its estimate of the Competitor's ability, if otherwise shown.

COMPUTATION OF THE TOTAL SQUARE AREA:
Measurements to be taken from the outside of exterior walls, or porch foundations.

All square area figures will be carefully checked before designs are submitted to the Jury.

Designs exceeding 1200 square feet total first floor area will not be considered.

PRESENTATION, DRAWINGS: Mandatory. The following drawings are to be submitted:

1. Perspective of the residence, at the scale of one quarter inch equals one foot, heights to be measured at corner of building nearest the spectator, indenibly true, rendered in pen and ink, clearly indicating the character of the exterior finish and showing a scenic background which is in keeping with the limitations of the site.

2. Plans at the scale of one eighth inch equals one foot, of the First Floor and the Second Floor. The walls and partitions are to be inked solid black and the name and dimensions of each room lettered plainly to be read easily when reproduced at one quarter the size of the original drawing. Range, sink, cupboards and beds are to be shown.

3. Detail of the Side and the Rear Elevation, at the scale of one eighth inch equals one foot.

4. Detail of some Exterior Feature of the design at scale of one half inch equals one foot.

5. Graphic Scales must be shown.

6. The drawings shall be made in full black ink and shown on one sheet of white paper. Diluted black ink, color or wash; cardboard, thin paper or mounted paper is prohibited.

7. The sheet is to be exactly 25 x 38 inches. Single black border lines are to be drawn so that space inside them will be exactly 25 x 38 inches.

8. The drawing shall bear the title: Design for an Eight-room House—The Pencil Points Competition. It is to be signed by a Nom de Plume, or Device.

An itemized computation of the total square area together with a note stating the assumed geographical location is to be placed upon the drawing in a space not to exceed 4" x 1½", surrounded by single border line.

COMMUNICATIONS: Mandatory. As this is an open Competition it will be impossible to answer inquiries. Therefore, the contestants shall not communicate, on the subject of this competition, with the Professional Adviser, or with any other person in any way connected with it, either directly or indirectly.

ANONYMITY OF DRAWINGS: Mandatory. The drawings submitted shall contain no distinguishing mark, except the Nom de Plume or Device, which could serve as a means of identification. No competitor shall directly or indirectly reveal his or her identity to the Professional Adviser.

With each drawing there must be enclosed a plain, opaque envelope, containing the true name and full address of the contestant. The Nom de Plume of the contestant shall be placed on the outside of the sealed envelope. The envelope will be opened by the Professional Adviser, in the presence of the Jury, after the awards have been made.

DELIVERY OF DRAWINGS: Mandatory. The drawings submitted in this competition shall be securely wrapped, in a strong tube not less than 2½” in diameter, to prevent creasing or crushing, and addressed in plain lettering to Pencil Points Press, Russell F. Whitehead, Professional Adviser, 419 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y. No other lettering shall appear on the wrapper. Contestants sending drawings by registered mail must obliterate the return name and address and not demand return receipt.

Drawings shall be delivered to Pencil Points office or placed in the hands of the Post Office not later than 6 P. M. Thursday, May 15th, 1930. The postmark will serve as evidence.

Drawings submitted in this competition are at the competitor's risk. Reasonable care, however, will be exercised in their handling, keeping and package for return.

EXAMINATION OF DESIGNS: The Professional Adviser will examine the designs and records of their receipt to ascertain whether they comply with the mandatory requirements of the Program and will report to the Jury any instance of failure. The Jury will satisfy itself of the accuracy of the report and will place out of the competition and make no awards to any design not complying with mandatory requirements. No drawing shall be exhibited or made public until after the Award of the Jury.

JUDGMENT: The Jury of Award will meet shortly after the close of the Competition.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE AWARDS: The Professional Adviser will send, by mail, the names of the winners of the Prizes and Mentions, to each competitor, as soon as possible after the awards have been made and the envelopes have been opened. The announcement will also be published in the July issue of Pencil Points. Requests for this information by telephone and telegraph will not be answered.

REPORT OF THE JURY: The Jury will make a full report, stating the reasons for the selection of the winning designs and offering helpful criticism and comment upon designs not premiated. This report will be published in Pencil Points along with the reproductions of the winning designs and such additional designs as may be selected.

THE PRIZE DESIGNS: Are to become the property of Pencil Points and the right is reserved by this publication to publish or exhibit any or all of the designs not premiated. In every case where a competitor's design is shown his or her name and address will be given.

RETURN OF DRAWINGS: The Authors of non-premiated designs will have their drawings returned within a reasonable time, postage prepaid, insured for $50.00.
ARTISTIC SUCCESS. We regret only that all the club members and their friends could not be present.

The scheduled trip to the Alumni-Varsity Basketball Game at Pratt, on February 28, developed into an All-Alumni affair and, once the word was passed, the Alumni of the other schools at Pratt were glad to join in to make this a big night.

On March 11 we will have the Open House Meeting at the Fraternity Club at 8 o’clock. Special features, round-table talk, and refreshments are on the program. As a final note we want to tell our friends in distant parts that the interest and enthusiasm shown by the other Alumni Associations of the Institute lead us to hope that we will soon be able to invite them to be our guests in our own clubrooms of the Allied Pratt Alumni in New York.

CHICAGO HAS ARCHITECTURAL EXHIBITION

THE COORDINATION OF the varied activities in the construction of a modern building is the keynote of the Second Annual Chicago Architectural Exhibit, which began February eleventh under the auspices of the Architects’ Club of Chicago and supported by the Chicago Chapter of the American Institute of Architects and the Illinois Society of Architects. The show will run through March in the exhibit rooms of the Architects’ Club of Chicago.

Both members and non-members of the sponsoring organizations have sketches, plans, and models of recent work on display. Building construction materials, equipment, and manufacturers’ products are also exhibited. Alfred Granger is president of the Architects’ Club of Chicago and David A. Pareira is chairman of the exhibit committee.

ARCHITECTS’ AND ENGINEERS’ SQUARE CLUB TO HOLD DANCE

ALL THOSE WHO have attended the annual dances of the Architects’ and Engineers’ Square Club of New York will hail with pleasure the announcement of a bigger and better party this year. This progressive group has chosen the grand ballroom of the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. The time is 9 o’clock on Friday evening, March 14th. Tickets are $3.00 per couple and can be procured from Mr. Ed. Augustine at 5003—46th St., Woodside, Long Island. You will find several friends to greet you and assure your having the very best night of the season.
This department conducts four competitions each month. A prize of $10.00 is awarded in each class as follows: Class 1, sketches or drawings in any medium; Class 2, poetry; Class 3, cartoons; Class 4, miscellaneous items not coming under the above headings. Everyone is eligible to enter material in any of these four divisions. Good Wrinkle Section: a prize of $10.00 is awarded for any suggestion as to how work in the drafting room may be facilitated. No matter how simple the scheme, if you have found it of help in making your work easier, send it in. Competitions close the fifteenth of each month so that contributions for a forthcoming issue must be received by the twelfth of the month preceding the publication date in order to be eligible for that month's competitions. Material received after the closing date is entered in the following month's competition.

The publishers reserve the right to publish any of the material, other than the prize winners, at any time, unless specifically requested not to do so by the contributor.

Our heading this month is by Stephen D'Amico, of Pittsburgh, the third prize winner in our recent competition.

Our regular monthly prizes have been awarded as follows:

Class I—Bubi Jensen, for his sketch reproduced below.

Class II—Oliver Twitwell Oliver (incidentally if you need a good man, designer, or what have you, we can recommend Mr. Twitwell Oliver most highly. Apply this office).

Class III—J. H. Bell, of Birmingham.

Class IV—Philip Wagner, of Schenectady, for his enlightening article on “Filling Station Architecture.”

ANYBODY NEED ME?

By Oliver Twitwell Oliver, Architect—very-much—at-large.

(Prize—Class Two—February Competition)

The market crashed !
The clients smashed ! ! !
The boss got “slow” ! ! !
I had to go ! ! !

I went around
All over town
North and south
With smiling mouth
To offices
And premises
Both large and small
In fact to all.

So that is why
I have to try
To earn a prize
With poet's sighs
In Here and There
And WHEN or WHERE?

LITHOGRAPHIC CRAYON SKETCH BY BUBI JESSEN

(FRIZE—Class One—February Competition)

FROM A LINOLEUM PRINT BY MAX FELDMAN

Mont St. Michel
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BEN MARKOWITZ SUGGESTS FOR THE HALL OF FAME THE FAMOUS CYMAESE TWINS CYMA RECTA AND CYMA REVERSA

FILLING STATION ARCHITECTURE

By Philip Wagner

(PRIZE—Class Four—February Competition)

FOR CENTURIES the architect had to content himself with houses, and churches, palaces, and public buildings, and monuments to heroes, and other such humdrum edifices. Lately the apartment house and the skyscraper have been added to his repertoire. And now "the noblest of all the arts" has found itself a new medium: the filling station.

I need not set down the mournful early history of filling stations in any great detail. Others are better fitted for the task than I. But there was a time not so many years ago when the purchase of gasoline presented a problem. One was apt to sally forth (I believe that is the correct expression) in gauntlets and duster for a Sunday afternoon's ride, only to get stuck somewhere between the two edges of nowhere without any gasoline. One then walked several miles to the nearest garage and staggered back with a can of the precious volatile liquid. This sort of thing was one of the minor worries of the pioneer motorist.

Then Big Business caught his cue. He bought up all the vacant lots in all the cities and towns and villages. And he went out into the country and bought up all the highway frontage that hadn't already been leased to the Billboard Magnates. And in the center of every vacant lot, and at regular intervals along the highways, he planted a pair of large red pumps.

The era of the naked pump has long since gone the way of outworn eras. Now and then one of these objects braves the shocked gaze of an innocent humanity; but not often. The naked pump era has been superseded by the filling station era, or more correctly, "the automobile service station era." The job of filling gasoline tanks has developed into a major industry. No one, to my knowledge, has ever taken a census of those who man filling stations; but a private survey leads me to believe that the number runs into the millions.

This development into a major industry has led, of course, to competition between different filling station concerns. And on the principle that a meal always tastes better if it is split into five courses and served with linen napkins, the filling station people have called in Art to help them. The architects quickly concluded that the pump itself was almost beyond hope. But they did see possibilities in the station. Behold the result on every hand!

The early ventures into filling station architecture were rather tentative. They consisted chiefly of putting a roof over the pumps, and building a cubby-hole in which the attendant might rest in comparative comfort during lulls in business. This rudimentary architecture, however, soon went the way of the naked pump. It was supplanted by the Greek Temple; and the style proved so popular that there is now hardly a city which has not its Greek Temple dedicated to the goddess of internal combustion. Of these temples, one of the most successful is located in West Philadelphia. It is a dainty thing, a sort of architectural banana split. "It is a reproduction on an enlarged scale," says the official description, "of the monument to Lysicrates, still standing in Athens, and is surrounded on two sides by an Ionic colonnade, the details of which are taken from the Erechtheum, another classical survival located on the site where Pallas Athene waged war with Poseidon for the possession of her beloved city."

This delicate edifice is made of the whitest terra cotta (and you may be sure its attendants curse the fact); and the beauty of its proportions, really, makes a trip to Greece quite unnecessary.

But do not suppose that the Classicists long held the field unchallenged. Filling station architecture quickly began to sprout in a variety of genera and species. At one street intersection in our town, two stations vie with each other for the patronage of the fickle motorist. One owes a marked debt to the Brothers Adam. The treatment of the door into the attendants' cubicle, particularly, and of the fanlight over the doorway, shows the Adam influence. And the delicate proportions of this little jewel of a building are enhanced by a judicious application of the landscape gardener's art.

On the opposite corner a quite different influence is manifest. It is not clear whether the architect was a Buddhist or a Papist, but it is beyond doubt that he had travelled far and seen things. His dream child is a delicate blending of the Siamese pagoda and the Italian Renaissance styles—a blending fortunate in spots, less fortunate in others. But the lay observer fails to note these minor discrepancies, in his awe-struck contemplation of the extremely brilliant orange roof.

In another section of our city there is what the owner
claims is the “world’s largest filling station.” I don’t believe him; but that is beside the point. The point is that a trip to this filling station will never be forgotten. Mr. Redmond was his own architect, and a stroke of inspiration caused him to build his filling station entirely of bronze, which is now weathering nicely. The bronze surface of roof and cornice and lintel is studded with innumerable imitation jewels, at least four inches in diameter, of garnet, topaz, ultramarine, emerald, and amethyst. The effect is so dazzling that the motorist seeing it for the first time is apt to rush blinded into a bad accident if he doesn’t wear smoked glasses. But this first bedazzlement wears off, and one is then at liberty to relax in contemplation of the intricate and unusual design of the place, whilst obsequious lackeys minister to the motor.

But though gasoline stations are now flowering perhaps too exuberantly, one begins to detect the signs of a growing discipline. Schools are developing. Through Maryland and Virginia, Georgian appears to be the predominant type. Through New York State, Dutch Colonial appears to be gaining steadily in favor—although the Socony stations are putting in a strong bid for Modified Colonial. In the Middle West, as one might expect, the widest diversity is still to be found. However, the Swiss Chalet and the Elizabethan English styles, with timbers exposed, are being adapted with singular success, especially in Indiana.

In the Far West, the Spanish influence is being given marked preference; as it is in Florida. My mind ever turns to one gorgeous filling station on Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles. Happy the hero who could secure this filling station for a final resting place! Let me quote a description of the place which appeared some time ago.

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It will not do to forecast the development of filling station architecture too soon. There are too many influences which have not as yet been weighed and analyzed, and which may throw the development in one direction or
another. There are, for instance, the Rest Rooms, the best of which already enable the weary traveler to rest in an almost Babylonian splendor. Surely Rest Rooms have an important place in molding the ultimate form of the filling station.

And there are the side lines of merchandise which many filling stations carry, and which are bound to have their influence. The filling station industry has its by-products, just as every well-behaved industry should have. A recent careful investigator includes sandwiches, pie, candy, tobacco, canned goods, lip sticks, cold cream, soap, aluminum ware, work gloves, Ford parts, Stillson wrenches, lamps, first-aid kits, radio supplies, safety razors, pajamas, and powder among the profitable side lines. One enterprising rustic sells about twelve dollars worth of cold cream every Labor Day, to persons who are suffering of sunburn.

So, in view of the developments to come, it would be hazardous to prophesy very much about filling station architecture. It is still too young. One thing, however, is plain. As more of America mounts itself on automobile wheels each year, the filling station will inevitably play a larger and larger part in our national culture. I do not doubt that it will one day appear to be as typical of our period as the Gothic cathedral does of Medieval life.
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