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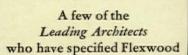
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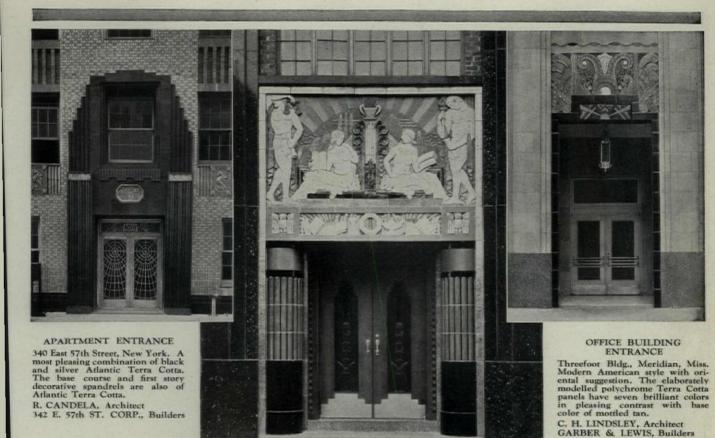


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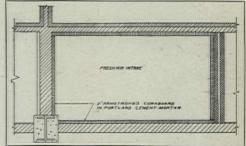
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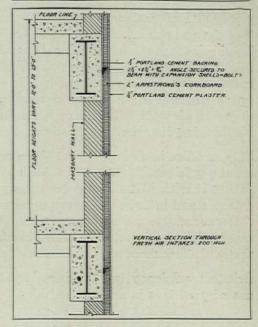
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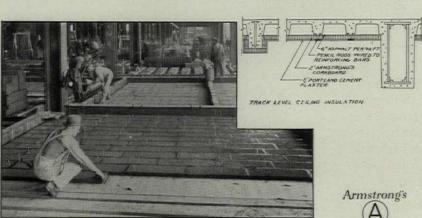
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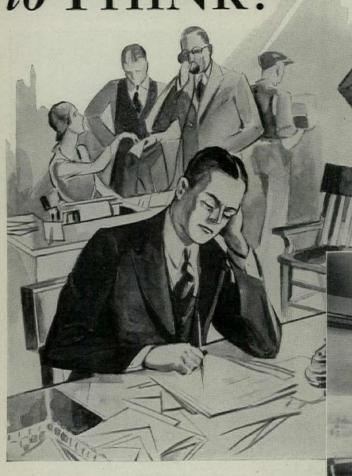


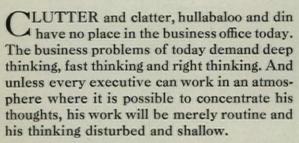
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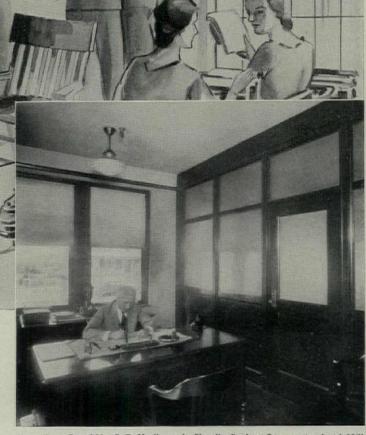
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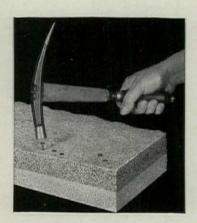
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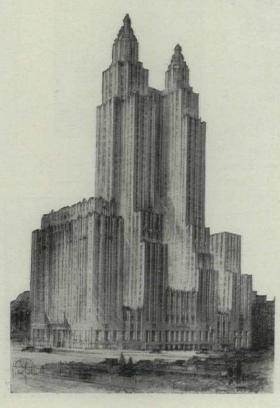
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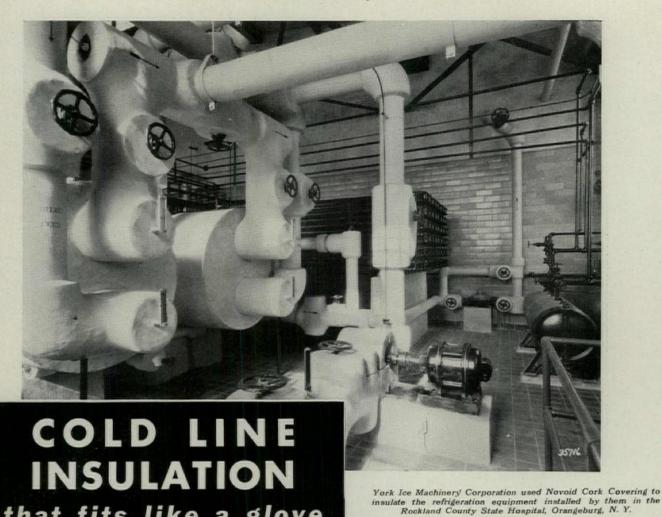
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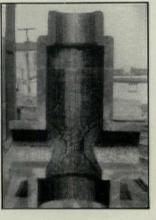
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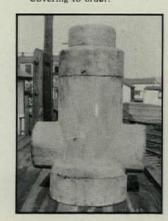
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Yet doctors tell us that constipation is really nothing but a habit - or rather the lack of one. It is a chronic disorder, of millions, induced by irregular evacuation during youth.

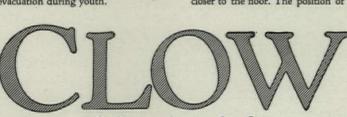
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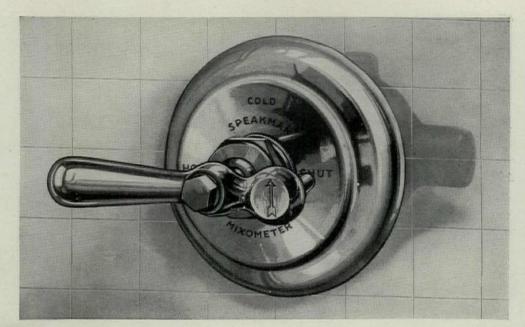
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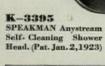
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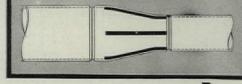
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Explanation of Design:

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"Design Standards for Oxwelded Piping."

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- Thickness at the center of the weld shall not be less than 11/4 times the pipe wall thickness.
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The above is excerpted from a handbook on fundamental designs, titled, "Design Standards for Oxwelded Steel and Wrought Iron Piping," published by The Linde Air Products Company. You should have a copy of this handbook. It is yours for the asking.

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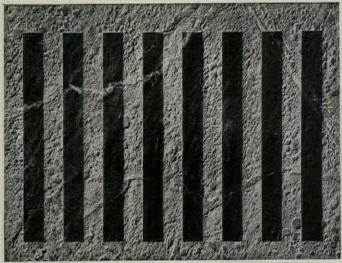
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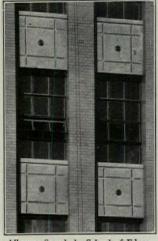
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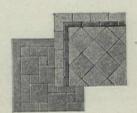
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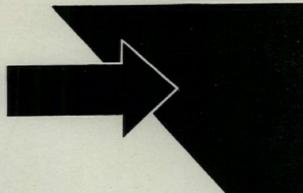
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THE SATURDAY EVENING POST

June 20.1931



## Old-fashioned

## RADIATORS BANISHED!

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#### HEALTHFUL-COMFORTABLE



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#### DECORATIVE



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#### **ECONOMICAL**



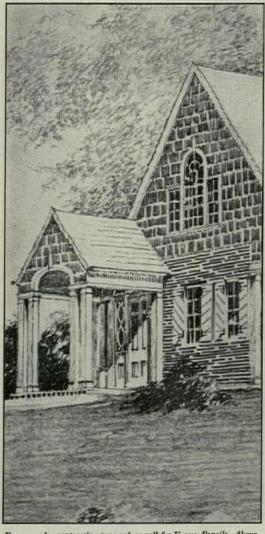
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TRANE CONVECTED HEAT



For example: contrasting tone values call for Venus Pencils. Above is section (below is reduction) of architect's pencil sketch of Short Hills Country Club, Short Hills, N. J. By C. C. Wendehack, architect, New York City, specialist in country club design.



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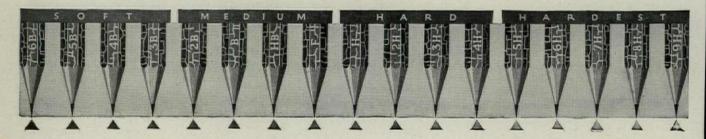
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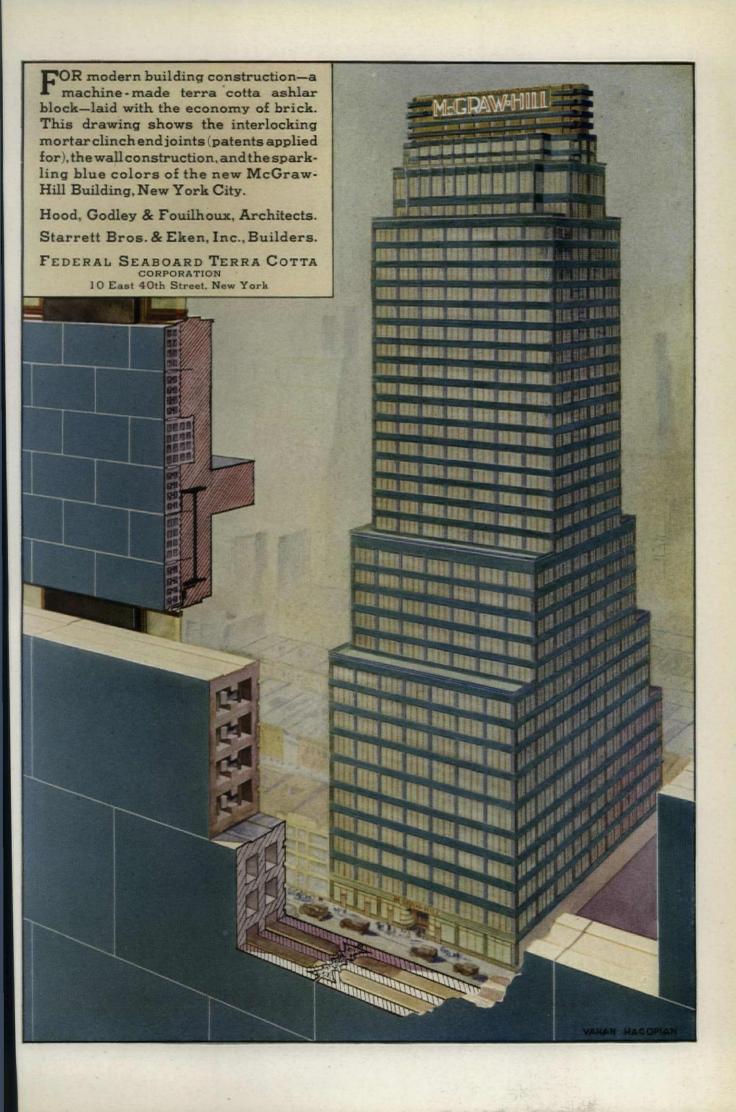
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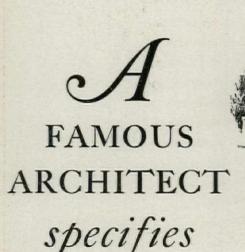
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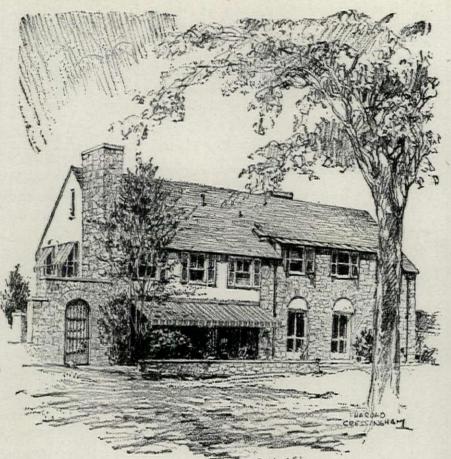
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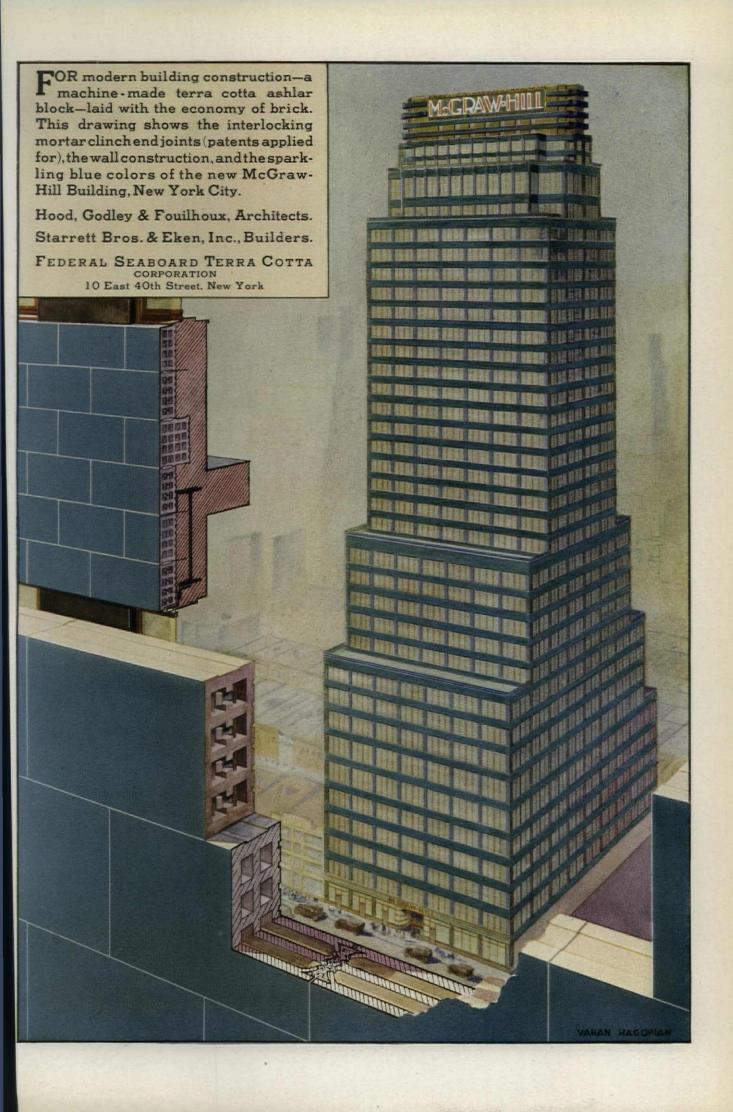
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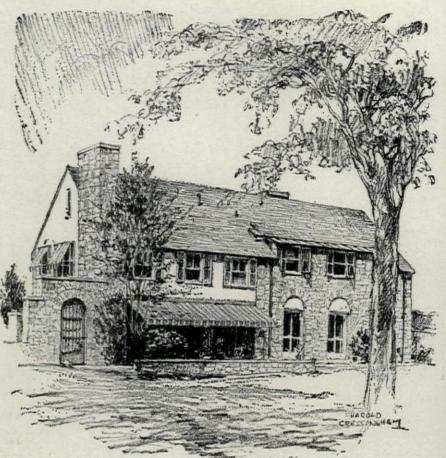
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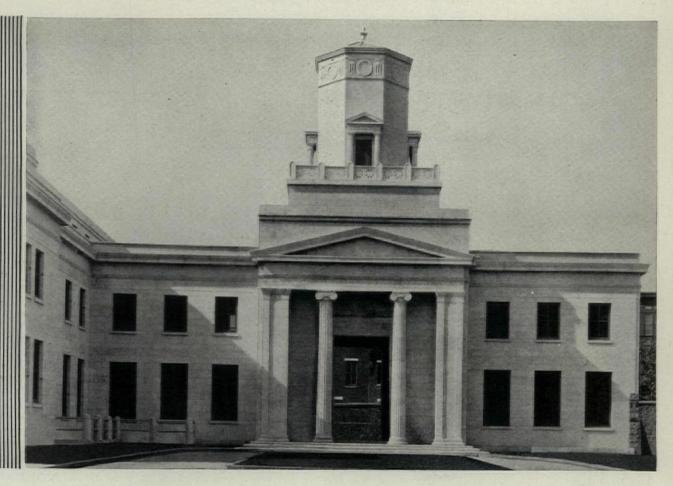
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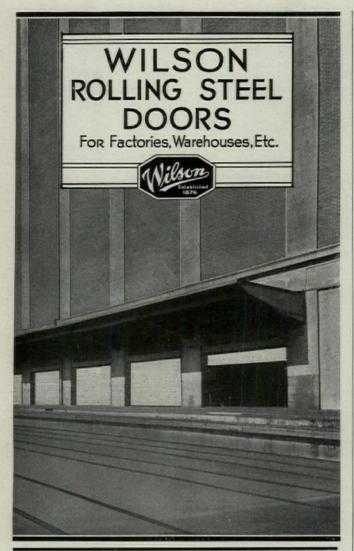
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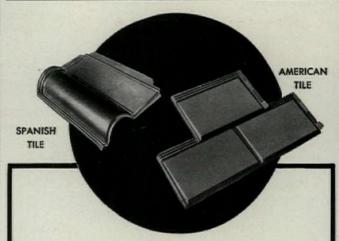
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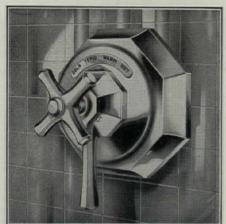
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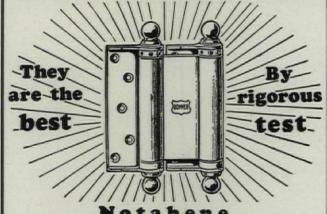
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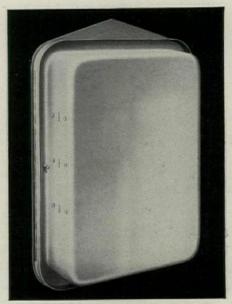
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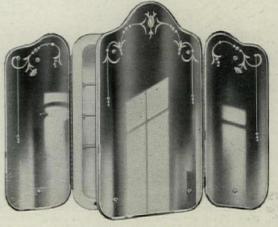
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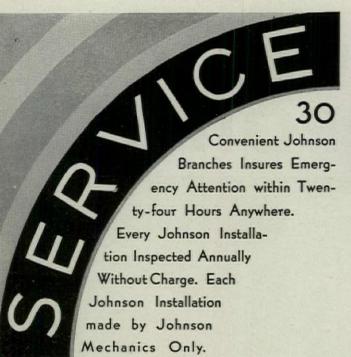
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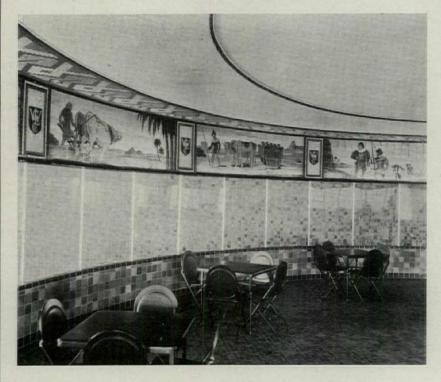
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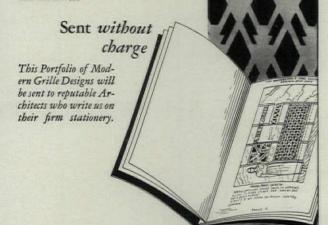
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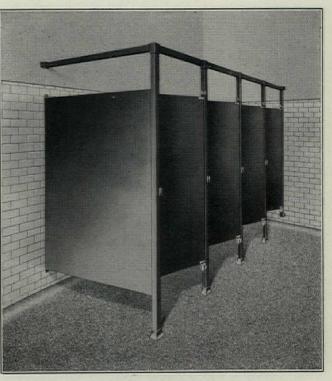
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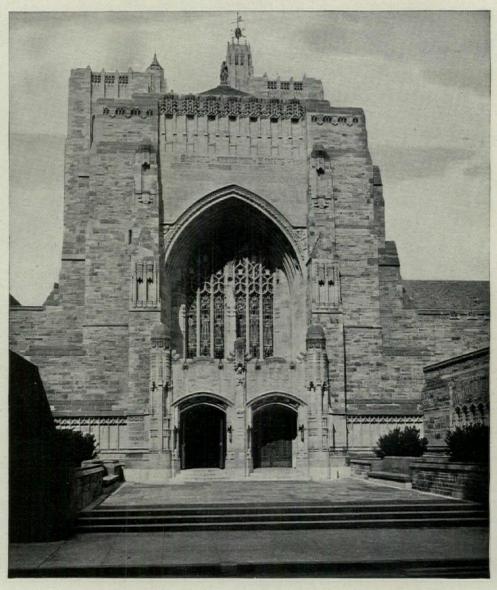
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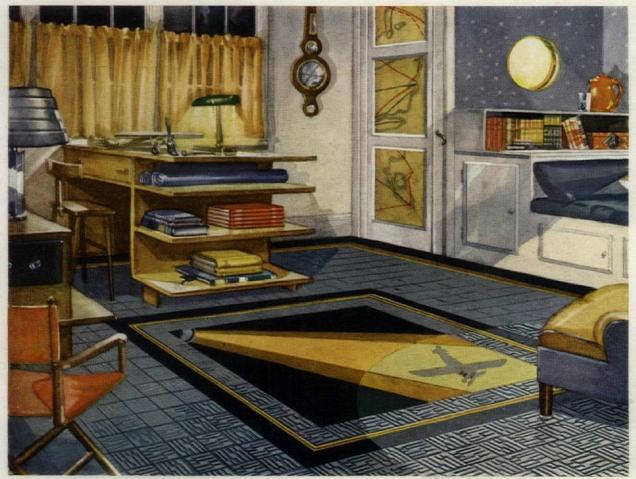
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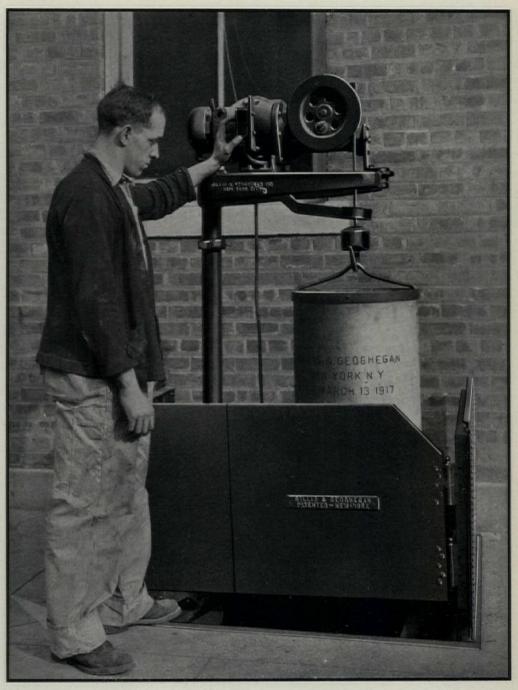
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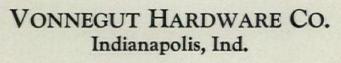
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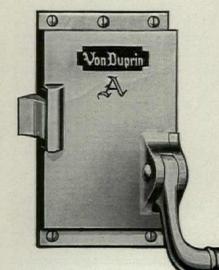
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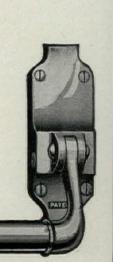
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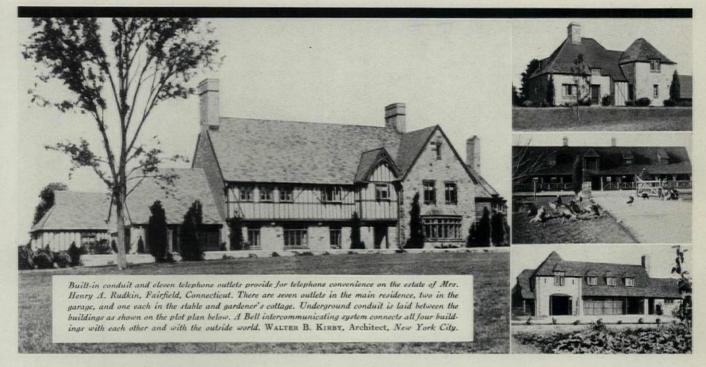
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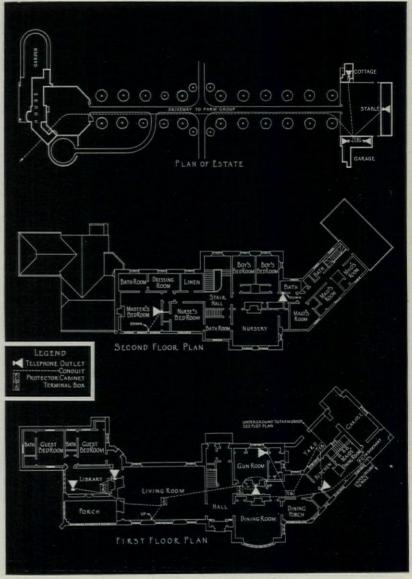
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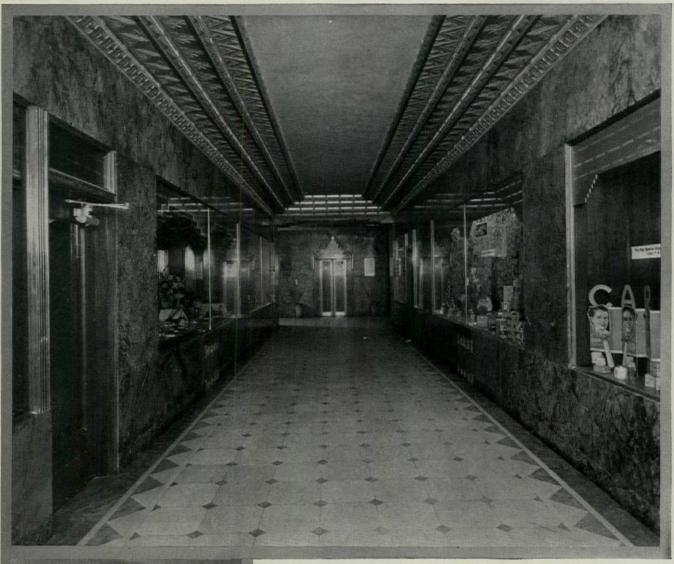
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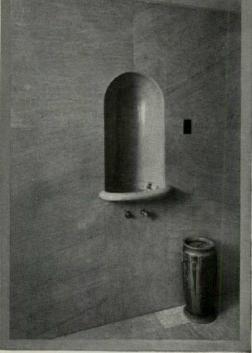
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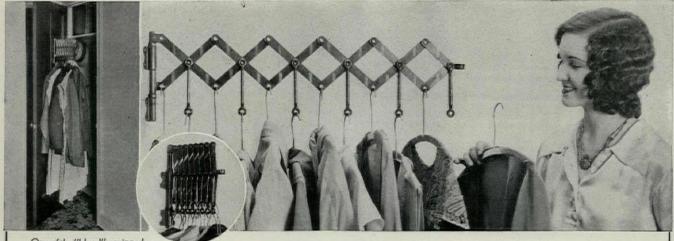
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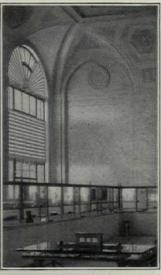


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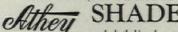
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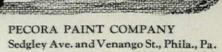
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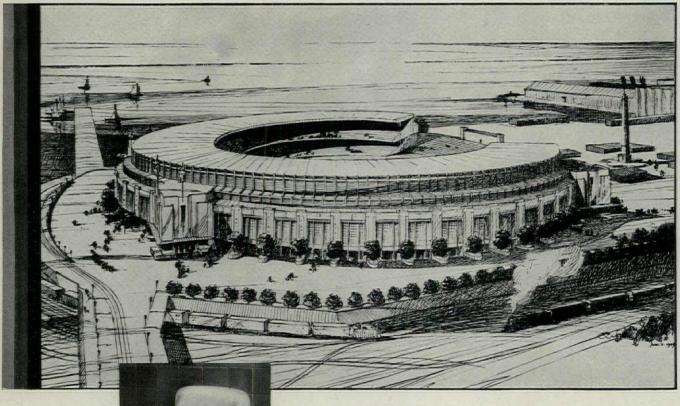
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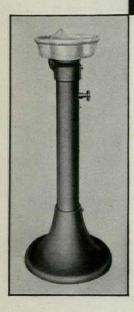
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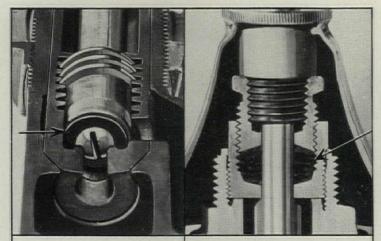
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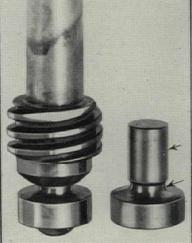
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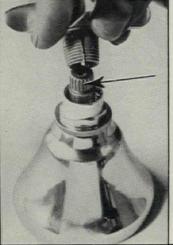


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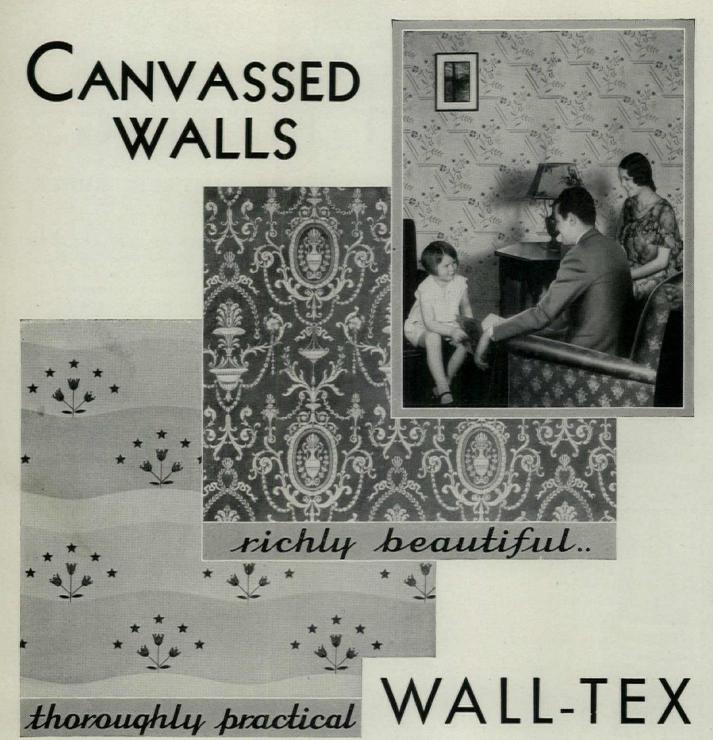
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# Eliel Saarinen's San Antonio Address

In The Octagon for April there appeared a verbatim report of an address by Eliel Saarinen, delivered at the Sixty-fourth Annual Convention of the American Institute of Architects, which we wish every architect and draftsman could read in its entirety. Just as an appetizer, we are going to quote here some parts of his address, which seems to us to be one of the sanest utterances concerning contemporary architecture we have yet heard or read.

After discussing the art of the past and coming to the conclusion that "Each of those great cultural epochs has had creative power to build its culture in an expressive style of its own through a fine sense for its fundamental form," he goes on,

... if we compare our attempts to develop a contemporary architecture of today with those great epochs of the past, we have to ask: Does the fundamental form of our day conduct our movement, or do we still wander in darkness? Where do we find our leaders?

The same question is asked in other arts. Who is the leader of Music today? Is it Debussy? Is it Stravinsky? Is it Sibelius? In painting we have had in a few decades impressionists, symbolists, pointilists, cubists and so on. Each one thought it had found the key of the time. We have Cézanne and Picasso. Many say that Picasso is the greatest painter of today. Maybe. Maybe he will found the painting of the future. Or maybe his influence is gone in a few years, a few decades.

Maybe there will appear some day a strong mind which will go deep into things, and the doors will open for the painting of the future. Maybe the same will happen in the art of building! Only the future can tell.

"But," says someone, "why all this talking about deep thinking? Our time is practical! We have to build in a practical way. Practicality has to decide the form of our architecture. If a building is practical, it is beautiful." This is what they say.

But I wonder! I wonder if it is so, because we so often see very, very practical buildings, practical from every angle, practical in every point, and they appear so terribly ugly. They have no proportions, no rhythm, no balance of masses. The color is terrible, the treatment of materials is terrible. So, I don't think we can say that if a building is practical it is beautiful.

But, I think we can say—or rather—I do think we should say that a building has to be practical to be able to be beautiful. And further: A practical building is able to be beautiful only if the architect has a subconscious sense for beauty, that is: if he is a creative artist.

Is the practical really so especial a mark of our age as we think? We are inclined to think so when we see what they had in the earlier days. But it seems to me that they were more practical than we are, because they could get along with lesser needs. And on the other hand, we do not know what the future holds for our practicality. Maybe then it will be said: They were not practical at all. They used gasoline in their cars, just as in the old kerosene lamps! Why couldn't they take the power directly from the air as we do?

Every age has its own point of view regarding practicality. Practicality is one of the corner stones of all architecture, has always been and always will be so. Nature is our teacher in the principles of architecture, and nature itself is the perfect functionalism.

When we speak about practicality, we mostly think about our daily comfort. We push a button here and a button there, we get cold here and hot there, and that is all very practical. But we do not live for our daily comfort. We have higher ideals. And the very man who preaches the coldest and hardest practicality is not always practical himself. He plants roses in his garden. Why roses? Roses are not practical. Cabbage is more practical.

Then, after tracing the development of traditional design into its ultimate state of imitation of the past without logic or meaning, Saarinen continues:—

And I ask: Is this our tradition? Are we going to build our contemporary architecture on forms that do not mean anything?

No!!!

If we have to find our tradition from our ancestors, we have to go to a time when art was still creative art, in the Greek architecture and the Gothic time.

But what is our tradition and what is our wisdom from the Greek architecture?

The Greek architects tell us: "Our tradition comes from Egypt. They had a dualistic construction, the support and the weight, the column and the architrave. We used this principle because it was practical for our purpose. But they had their own fundamental form. It would have been easy for us to use their form, but it would have been a lie. Art has to speak truth as well as man has! So we had to use our own fundamental form and develop through it a style of our own.

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The Gothic architects tell us: "Our tradition comes through the Romanesque and through the Christian architecture from old Rome. We accepted the Roman plan form because it was practical for our purpose. We found the pointed arch in the Orient and we adopted it because it was practical for our high windows. But we had our own fundamental form, and it governed our architecture. Look at our lofty vaults and buttresses; look at our high towers. The whole is a logical organism; it rises from the bottom to the top, stone built upon stone. You can feel the power go through the material and you can follow the power line the whole way to the top. It is truthful in material and truthful in construction and therefore our architecture has been admired for centuries.

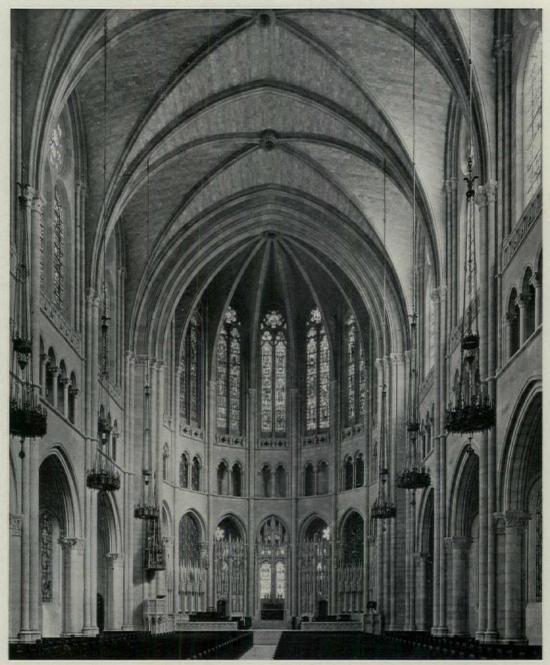
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## This Month and Next

Our frontispiece this month shows a drypoint by William C. McNulty who is rapidly gaining recognition among printmakers who are recording the contemporary city. We regret that our reproduction does not do full justice to the original and suggest that those of our readers who are interested in prints take the trouble to visit some convenient print shop where

this and other specimens of Mr. McNulty's art. Though not trained as an architect, the artist shows in all his work an appreciation of the picturesque effects brought about sometimes by the accidental juxtapositions of building masses which occur so commonly in our big cities. Next month's subject will be an etching by Gerald K. Geerlings, a good deal of whose work has already been published in our pages. Mr. Geerlings is at present abroad continuing his studies at the Royal School of Etching and Engraving.

The lead-off article next month will be on the work of the late Harrison Clarke of Los Angeles, an architect and artist whose loss has been keenly felt by the profession on the west coast. We have reproduced many of his finest drawings, including two in color, and feel sure that our readers will be inspired by his ability as a sympathetic delineator of architecture. The article was written

by Robert D. Murray to whom thanks are due for gathering together the collection of drawings illustrated. Regular Pencil Pointers will remember his article on Robert Lockwood in the July, 1930, issue.

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Ernest Irving Freese, Part 17 of whose Geometry series appears in this issue, will continue his discussion of "Geomathematics" next

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month in Part 18. We hope that many of our readers are following his series closely and are sure that those who do will develop their all around drafting room technique and increase their value to themselves and to their employers. There seems to be some divergence of opinion regarding this series. Some men think it a waste of time but an equal number seem to feel that it is very much worth while. Several have even gone so far as to write us that the series is one of the most valuable we have ever published. We suspect that the old rule of compensation applies here and that the men who put in the necessary time and effort to learn what Mr. Freese has taken so much pains to impart get a whole lot out of it while those who superficially skim through it or are scared off by the apparent intricacy of the author's demonstrations get nothing. What do you think? Both the author and the editors would like to know.

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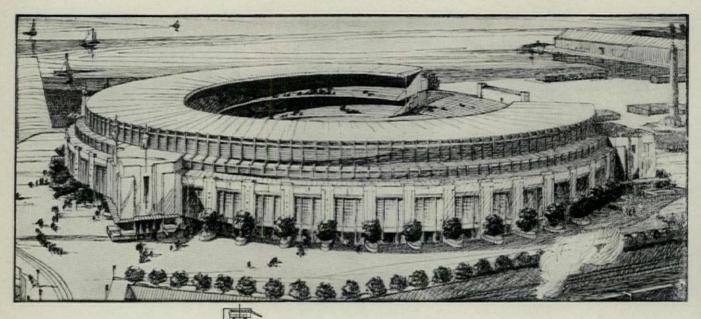
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By Richard H. Pretz

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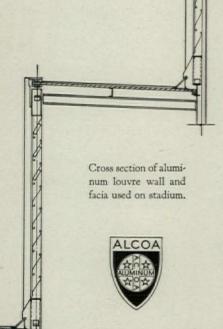
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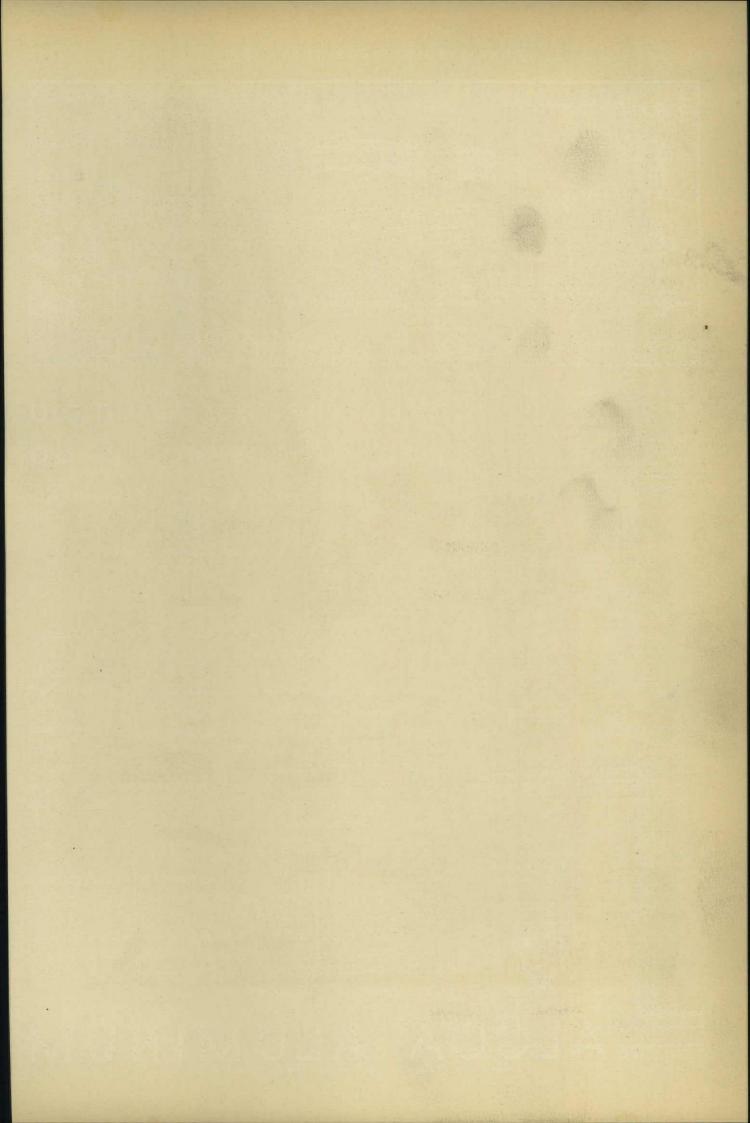
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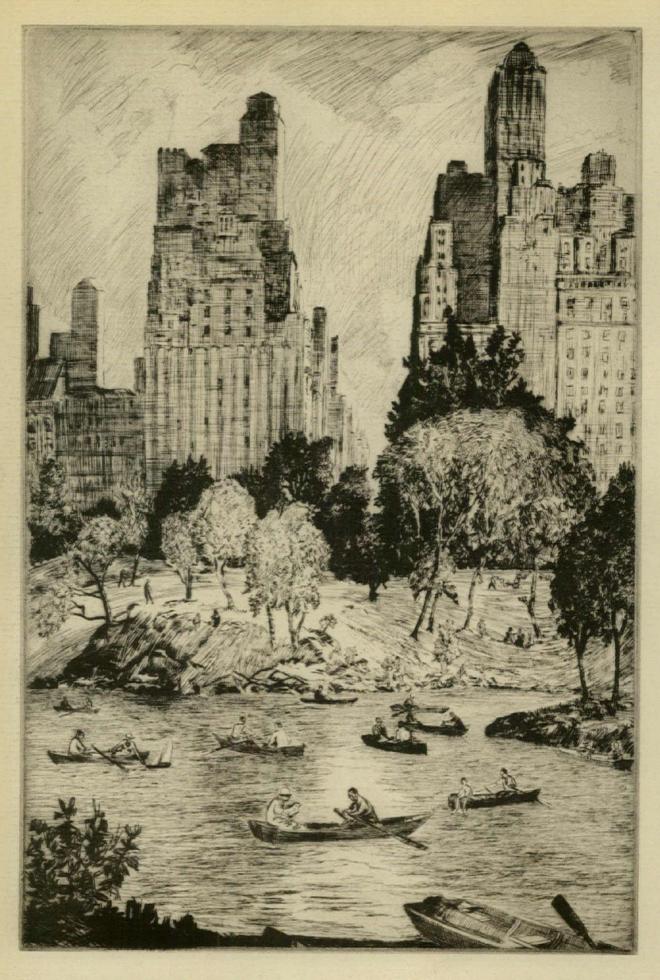
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#### 11—Decorative Sculpture

By John F. Harbeson

oreover one should not deceive himself by hasty judgment, or be too prompt to condemn. Time sets aside condemnations of a new tendency. Let us remember how many works were, but a few years since, spoken of as the work of

madmen, or atelier jokes, which today are considered inevitable results of tradition." — Vol. I.

"At this moment the general tendency (of sculpture) is towards creations of an architectural kind. Architecture is becoming an imperative domination before which ornament diminishes, modestly shrinks, disappears. There remain only the great constructive planes of intangible austerity."—Vol. III. RAPIN, La Sculpture Décorative Moderne.

The most interesting characteristic of modern decorative sculpture is its architectural quality: that, like architecture, its important requirement is in its composition—the arrangement of its masses, of its lines and planes, the study of light and shade—and that the

imitation of nature has become of little importance.

Architecture has always been, with few exceptions,\* a non-imitative art. It appeals to our æsthetic senses with a system of eye-effects: combinations of mass, studies in contour, contrast of

\*One of the exceptions, which are "usually symbolical to the mind rather than imitative to the eye . . is the shape of the cross, with its innumerable varieties and modifications for (the plans of) Christian churches." Sidney Colvin, "Fine Arts," Encyclopedia Britannica.



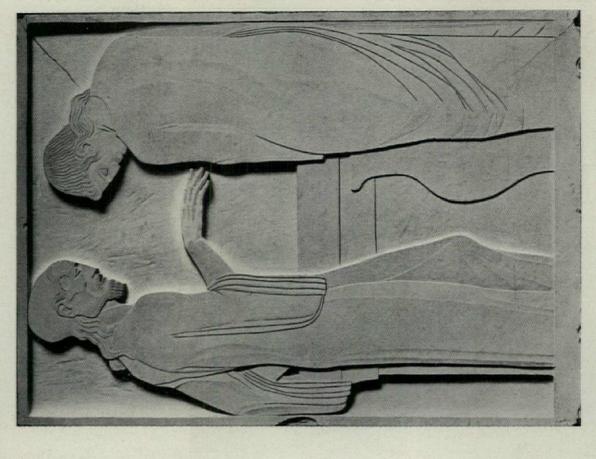




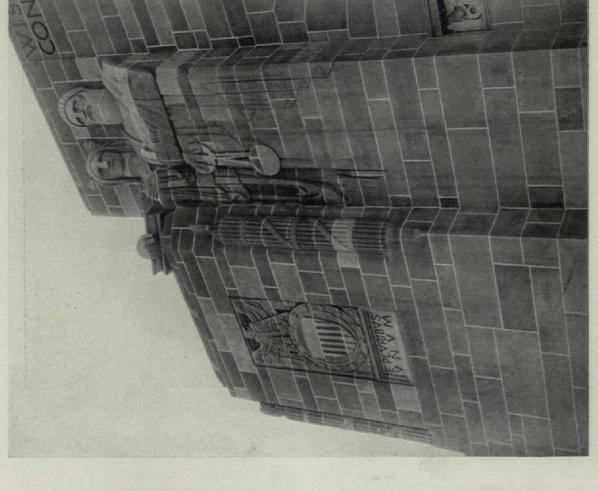
BAS-RELIEF PANELS AND, ABOVE, "HERACLES, THE ARCHER," BY BOURDELLE

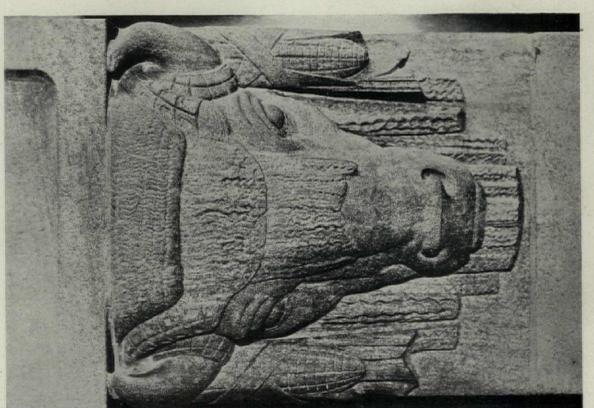
At left and right, bas-relief panels, "The Dance" and "Comedy," on the Théâtre des Champs Elysées, Paris. Bourdelle's work for this theatre, especially the relief work, gave him his first public recognition on a large scale. The architecture of this building is severe (its architect, Perret, designed also the concrete church at Le Raincy); its only embellishment is the sculpture. (From "The Arts.") Above, "Heracles, the Archer," by Bourdelle, in the Luxembourg Museum. All of this work is directly inspired by archaic Greek work; Bourdelle has proved in his portrait work, in his war memorial in Alsace, and in his equestrian statue of Alveolar that he can as successfully work without such inspiration.





This work of the Jugo-Slav sculptor, with its cut-out outline, seems rather drawing than sculpture, for there is almost no modeling at all, certainly no realistic modeling. It is decidedly architectural in feeling, with something Egyptian in its handling. From Aumonier, "Modern Architectural Sculpture." TWO BAS-RELIEFS BY IVAN MESTROVIC. AT LEFT, "THE ANNUNCIATION," AT RIGHT, "CHRIST AND THE WOMAN OF SAMARIA"





This form of composition, so successfully treated here, of figures completely carved at the top, but growing out of uncarved stone at the bottom, has since been widely in terra cotta and bronze. From "Modern Architectural Sculpture," Aumonier. PIER OR BUTTRESS FIGURES ON THE NEBRASKA STATE CAPITOL, BY LEE LAWRIE, SCULPTOR-BERTRAM GOODHUE, ARCHITECT

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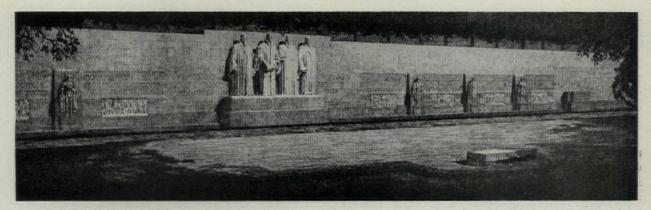




MODERN FRENCH SCULPTURE, SHOWING SEVERAL TENDENCIES OF THE MODERN SCHOOL

At left, below, "The Sculptor" by Bouchard, inspired by Greek work, with little realism. To the right above, "Ame de France" by Ch. Sarrabezolles, realism as to the figure, simplified as to the drapery, sentimental in treatment, although the big lines of the composition are good. Above left, "Porteuse d'Eau" by Bernard, no realism, an idealization of the human figure, much like the ideal Greek gods and goddesses except as to surface treatment. At right, below, "The Architect" by Bouchard.

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REFORMATIONS DENKMAL, GENEVA-MONOD, LAVERRIERRE, TAILLENS AND DUBOIS, ARCHITECTS

This monument to Calvin and his contemporaries, designed before the war by the architects, is one of the early works of the modern movement. There is no ornament in the composition, which depends only on the figures of the reformers, and the inscriptions.

plain with decorated parts, proportion—architectural design, in fact. And in archaic times in Egypt, in Assyria and in the lands of Grecian culture, sculpture was not so much imitative in character as it was conventional, formalized, decorative—architectural. The sculptural work of all primitive civilizations is of this kind, as we shall see later. This is probably the result of a lack of knowledge or technical skill on the part of the sculptors, rather than the result of conscious intent. But the product was sculpture of architectural quality.

As the skill of the sculptors increased, sculpture became more and more of an imitative art. The effort was to produce realistic work. The Greeks of the great age of sculpture—the time of Phidias, Scopas, Praxiteles—achieved a great measure of realism without losing a formalized architectural quality. The Gothic sculptors are known for their realism, but this did not interfere with their keeping architectural sculpture definitely architectural—conventionalized. One has only to look at the elongated saints in any of the great church portals to see how the human form was distorted, conventionalized, perhaps unconsciously, to properly fit an architectural composition.

But the faithful imitation of nature was still the goal of the sculptor, especially on works of "pure

sculpture," works composed within themselves and not primarily as adornment to architecture. The sculpture of the last half of the nineteenth century is a sculpture of realism, with costumes, draperies, hair treated with great skill in a very realistic manner, sometimes with photographic exactitude. The "Rogers Groups" of our grandfathers were but one phase of this tendency. The education of the sculptor and the painter was an education in the imitation of nature: constant study from the nude—and for the painter from still life—and work in anatomy. Composition was thought of simply as the arrangement of such material, material with which practically no liberties could be taken.

The work of Auguste Rodin was the culmination of this movement. He believed himself a rebel against the academicism of his day; no doubt he was in the matter of technique, where his revolt led to a rebirth of the craftsmanship of sculpture. But from the short perspective of the few years since the war, he stands as the epitome of that training—the master realist who could express human flesh, human emotion with such astonishing skill that critics believed some of his earlier works to be casts from nature. And his most ambitious attempt at monumental work, the "Gates of





BAND-MOULD SCULPTURES BY ERIC GILL ON THE UNDERGROUND RAILWAY HEAD OFFICES, ST. JAMES PARK, LONDON, ENGLAND

At left, "The South Wind"; at right, "The East Wind." (The figures of "Day" and "Night," by Jacob Epstein, shown in the January, 1930, issue of Pencil Points are the most important—and most controversial—of the sculptural work on this building, which was awarded the medal of the Architects' Association of London. Adams, Holden and Pearson, Architects.) From "Modern Architectural Sculpture" by W. Aumonier.

Hell," on which he spent such a large part of his life and which he hoped to leave as his great achievement, remains a tragic failure from this viewpoint, a work without form, without composition.\*

His pupil Bourdelle was the antithesis of this: he was a true architectural sculptor: he understood the relation of material to form. His architectural sculpture is made to relate definitely to the architecture—is made to be secondary to it.† His best known work is that on the Théâtre des Champs Elysées in Paris, of which Perret was architect. The reliefs on the exterior of

\*"Rodin was too deeply concerned with the ecstasies and mysteries of flesh, because he immortalized the ephemeralities of human emotion, the impalpability of human thought, that balked his efforts to create monumental sculpture." H. A. REED, "Bourdelle," in "The Arts."

†"A work by him is not a bouquet suspended from a tree. It is the actual flower born from the tree. It expands on its stone building and cannot be separated from it." Handbook on Bourdelle, by Fosca.



From Rapin, "La Sculpture"

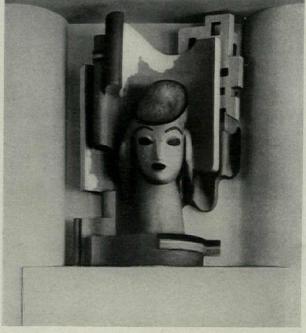
DANCING FIGURES, BY JOEL AND JAN MARTEL

This bas-relief shows an interesting attempt to
use the effects of modern drawing in sculpture.

Note the broken diagonal lines, much used in
illustration, in this composition.

the building are directly inspired by Greek archaic work, and have somewhat the Egyptian feeling of being cut out around the edges. The American, Lee Lawrie, has done work in this manner, at the Nebraska State Capitol and at the Fidelity Mutual Insurance Building in Philadelphia. The flat sculptural reliefs are simplified, to emphasize the plastic essentials of the figures representing "The Dance," "Tragedy," "Comedy," and so on. The success of Bourdelle's work lies in its architectural quality. This was a conscious effort on his part; in working with his pupils in the atelier he stressed the inter-relation between all the arts, the close relation which sculptor and painter should feel for architecture and for the decorative and industrial arts. It is well to remember that in early times the architect and sculptor were less separated-were sometimes the same man. Michelangelo, known equally





TWO OVERDOORS IN COLORED STUCCO FOR A PRIVATE HOUSE IN BERLIN, BY PROFESSOR WALTER REGER

An illustration of cubist expression in sculpture, broken planes treated definitely as is asymmetrical architecture—a composition of lines, planes, light and shades, with little regard to subject matter. From Aumonier, "Modern Architectural Sculpture." Aumonier, himself a sculptor, says in his introduction: "It is clear that the modern phase of the sculptor's art is largely brought into being by the present vogue for simplicity and directness in building. The craftsman, ever quick to adapt himself to the conditions imposed upon him, has eagerly seized this opportunity for a new form of individuality and a new self-expression, and as a result there have been some extraordinary developments in decorative sculpture, many of undeniable power and beauty, others, in my opinion, merely burlesques in art."

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well for his dome on St. Peter's at Rome and for his "David," did excellent architectural sculpture—the decoration of the friezes and sarcophagi in the Medici Chapel, for instance.

There was thus a natural evolution in France from the sculpture of realism to the sculpture of today in its several forms. The same evolution has taken place in every country of Western civilization: since the turn of the century there has been a similar movement away from the imitation of nature, toward what might be called an architectural approach to sculpture. Some sculptors are more extreme than others -Brancusi, for instance, has made "portraits" of geo-metrical forms, where the artist's interest was in the play of line and relation of

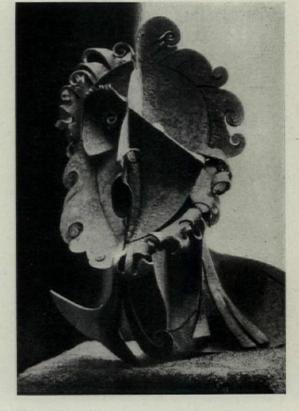


GUITAR-PLAYER BY PABLO MANES

masses, and no profound human problem troubled him; but in all cases it has been a sophisticated movement-the result of study. Sculptors have begun to use "documents" as architects use them; they study the work of the past, and more particularly the works of lesser-known periods of the past, for inspiration. All primitive art has been studied, including the arts of peoples still primitive in recent times. Much of this is geometric in feeling, all of it is decorative.

Negro art (some of it has been claimed to be of mediæval times) has more than any other seemed to those interested in the modern movement to express the quality they are seeking—an almost architectural quality resulting from the use of

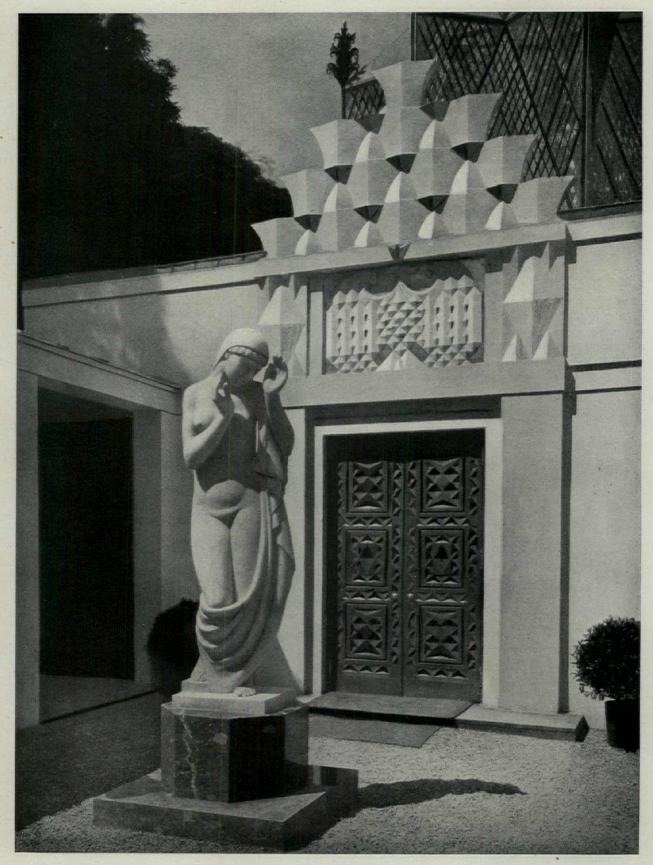




From "L'Art Vivant"

MANNERED FORMS OF MODERN SCULPTURE. AT LEFT "ARLEQUIN" AND RIGHT, MASQUE, BY GARAGALLO-

The human figure serves only as a point of departure for some sculptors, who then push in a plane or push it out much as an architect studies the effect on his architectural design of pushing back or bringing forward the wings of a building, and fixes the design when he has decided which position forms the best arrangement of masses. Sculptors of this school frequently omit an eye, or may have one breast concave and the other convex. The work should be judged, of course, by its success in mass arrangement, not by its failure to express human anatomy.



POLISH PAVILION, EXPOSITION OF DECORATIVE ARTS, PARIS, 1925—SCULPTURE BY HENRI KUNA

The figure is treated in much the same manner as is the water carrier of Bernard (page 488), a simplified and idealized human figure. The relief work on the building shows how satisfactorily geometrical design, studied as to projection, can take the place of the strapwork and cartouche designs of the last two centuries in giving a feeling of enrichment, a play of light and shade, at a place to be accented, and in a manner that in itself will not detract from the general impression of the building by drawing attention to itself.

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PANELS ON THE FOLKUNGA FOUNTAIN AT LINKOPING, SWEDEN—CARL MILLES, SCULPTOR

Work of Carl Milles, modern Swedish sculptor, now spending part of his time in America, which has the architectural quality so much attempted by modern sculptors, without losing beauty of modeling or interest of subject matter.

natural forms, distorted or conventionalized as may be desirable to obtain a rhythmic beauty of form, for compositional purposes. All of the primitive arts have in common a breadth and simplicity of treatment and a strongly marked decorative character, arrived at unconsciously. It is this that the modern sculptors strive for, consciously. And as these ends are in the

direction of architecture, as the sculptors believe that "form should follow material" just as the architects believe that "form should follow function," it is but natural that the two arts now find themselves talking the same language, and are able to collaborate toward what they believe to be rhythmic beauty of form.

There is this community of interests between the two professions not in one country, but in all the countries of Western civilization. The movement has varying results, depending upon the traditions of its locality, but everywhere there is the same revolt from the realism of the 19th century, the same interest in composition of form and line, the same willingness to distort, elongate or shorten or repeat the lines and masses of human or other natural forms, the same study of archaic and primitive work especially, but also of any past work as a fund of ideas with which to feed the imagination. All of the new art has developed from research of some sort; in spite of the unsophisticated character of much of the material used for this research it is a very sophisticated expression.

The modern sculptors realize that the chief purpose of any architectural decoration or ornamentation is to enrich the surfaces on which it occurs. and that interest in the sculpture itself must be kept subsidiary to this. One tendency of modern architects is to simplify the design of buildings to the ultimate; naturally, the simpler the building, the more such sculpture as is used will count, and hence the importance of having this sculpture in harmony with the architectural quality of the building.

The sculptor of today must know something more than the human figure, more than anatomy. The first essential is skill in composition, in proportion, in taste—and these are also the essentials of ability in architectural design. It is for

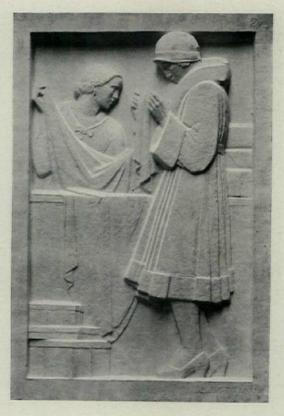


GARDEN FOUNTAIN AT THE LIDINGO, SWEDEN, HOME OF THE SCULPTOR, CARL MILLES

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"AGRICULTURE"



"MERCHANDISING"



"NAVIGATION"



"TRANSPORTATION"

BAS-RELIEFS CUT IN MARBLE IN THE INTEGRITY TRUST COMPANY, PHILADELPHIA, BY A. BOTTIAU This sculptor, who also did the work on the Hartford County Court House, has an architectural feeling for composition.

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LEFT-ONE OF TWO FIGURES ON THE COLUMN PYLONS OF THE BRIDGE-HEAD AT FISMES, FRANCE: THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE WAR MEMORIAL, BY A. BOTTIAU (PAUL P. CRET, ARCHITECT)

Here the figure, to carry out its function as an integral part of the pylon, is made heavy, solid at the base, and studied in silhouette as a part of the architecture.

RIGHT-MONUMENT DE PEZENAS, BY J. COSTA

This figure, done in bronze in 1919, shows the same simplification, the same architectural treatment, as the work of Bottiau. This is very different in treatment from the naturalistic figures of soldiers done by so many sculptors since the Civil War, and still being done by some sculptors.

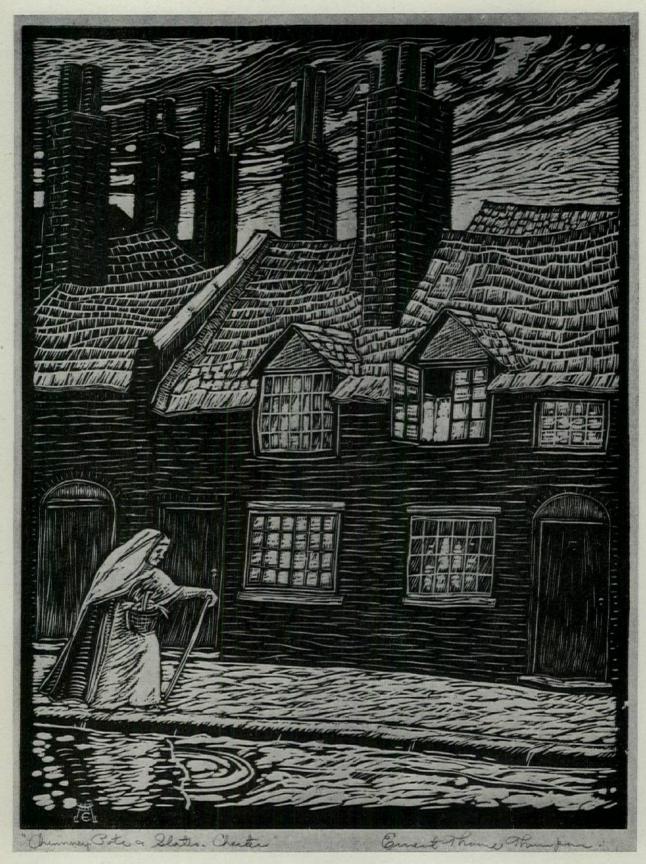


Yale School of Fine Arts) is based to some extent

this reason that the program of some of the mod- on a collaboration between students in the severn schools (the American Academy in Rome, eral arts, a program which has already proved its value.



DETAIL OF SOLDIERS' MEMORIAL, VESIN, FRANCE, BY PAUL MANSHIP This American sculptor, at one time a Fellow of the American Academy in Rome, began his work with studies in the manner of the Graco-Roman bronzes. An accomplished modeler, he makes sculpture architectural in composition and treatment without sacrificing beauty of detail. From "Modern Architectural Sculpture," Aumonier.



FROM A WOODCUT BY ERNEST THORNE THOMPSON "CHIMNEY POTS AND SLATES, CHESTER, ENGLAND"

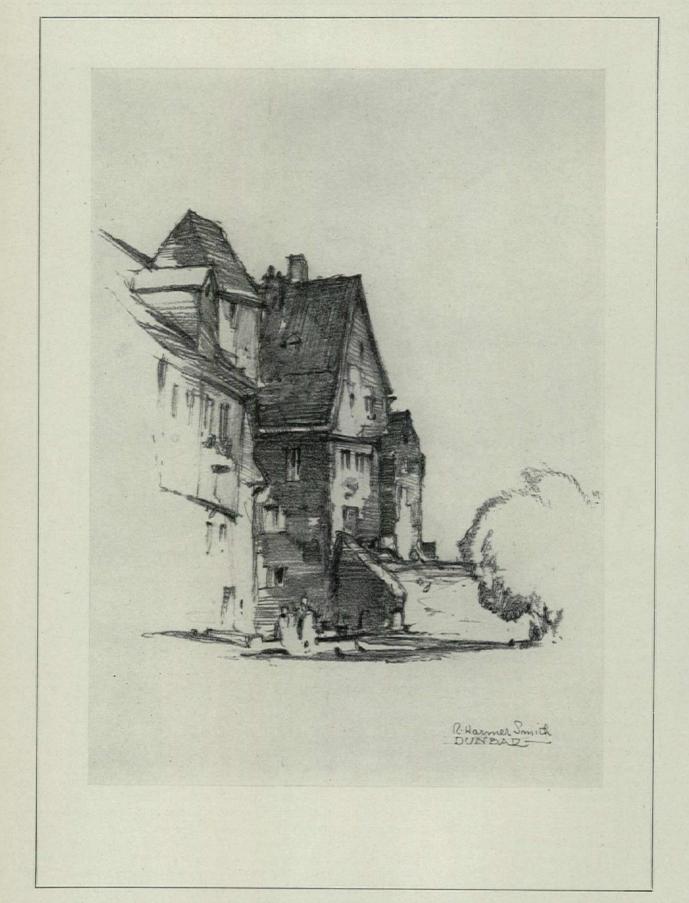


# Pencil Sketches by R. Harmer Smith

After a certain point in one's development, simple sketches of objects no longer completely satisfy; those serving only to recall pleasant associations give place to attempts to produce pictures, decorative interpretations that are interesting because of a strong design element as well as the interest native to the subject. Stated in other words, the sketch is no longer made exclusively for the subject's sake; the reverse is now true, causing the subject to become merely a vehicle for tonal patterns designed by the artist although the subject retains its identity. The sketches reproduced here were made as a series of experiments illustrating this transition and in each a deliberate effort was made to reduce the architectural subjects to decorative compositions.

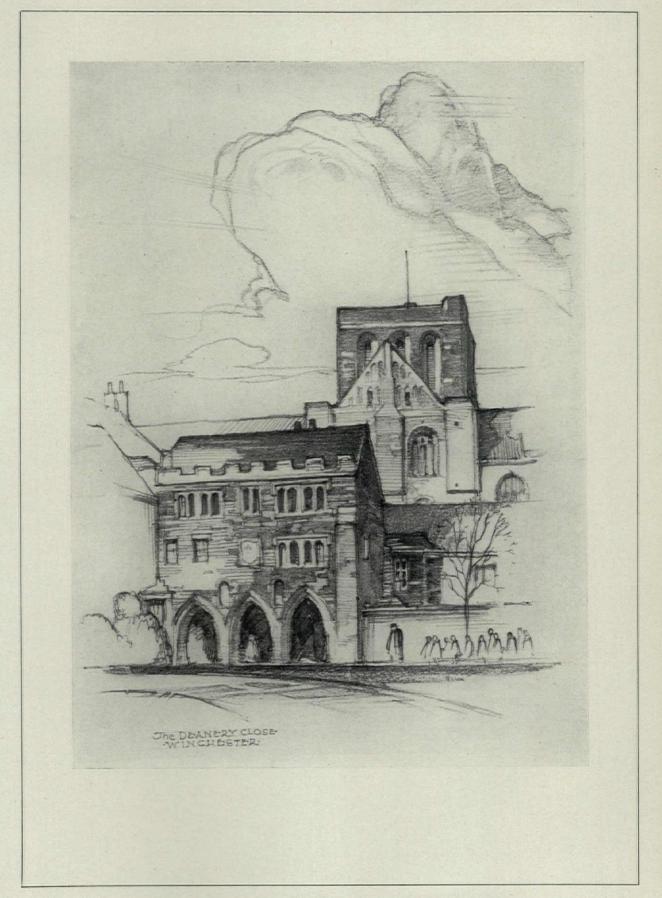
All of these sketches were made from photographs with the exception of the one made on the spot in New Haven. The use of photographs is deprecated by some, but assuredly they permit of more intense application when the drawings are considered exercises. The composition is begun by developing some point that is particularly picturesque. It is then made to include other points of secondary importance by means of a pattern of tones which embrace them and give form and substance to the sketch. Anything superfluous to the definition of the subject is omitted altogether, but enough is shown aside from the already established "path of interest," so that the drawing reads. Invariably this procedure results in an arbitrarily designed pattern being superimposed upon the buildings except in those cases where the subjects compose themselves. When cloud forms, shadows from outside the sketch, birds, or people are introduced, it is generally to supplement this arbitrarily laid down pattern and in addition to give life to the sketch. The actual values of the subjects are also departed from if more pleasing combinations of tone may be obtained and if the existing values are undesirable they are eliminated. Care is taken that the vignetting of the sketch especially does not become too interesting as this will immediately detract from the "center of interest" and therefore destroy the unity of the composition. Taken all in all, the "path of interest" constitutes the body of the sketch and particular attention is given to its design; it should not be soft or diffused. Once the "path" is successfully established considerable drawing may be done to give added interest without lessening the strength of the composition.

A good test of quality in the completed sketch is to examine its reflection in a mirror, it seems almost as if it were another drawing and any weaknesses there might be are more readily recognizable and the correction is more obvious. Turning the sketch upside down is nearly as good and a great deal of work on the sketches shown was actually done in this position. In a good sketch, the eye goes first to the "center of interest," next travels over the "path of interest," and then is led out gracefully through the vignetting. Any byways should be entered only advisedly. For study in visualizing possible compositions thumb-nail sketches are invaluable; they provide much entertainment with little work.—R. Harmer Smith.

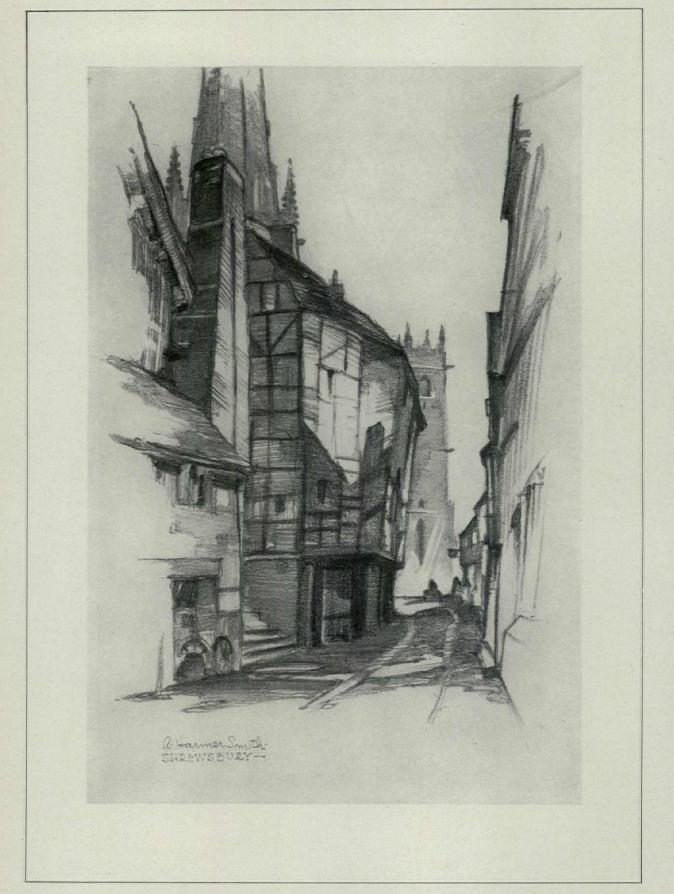


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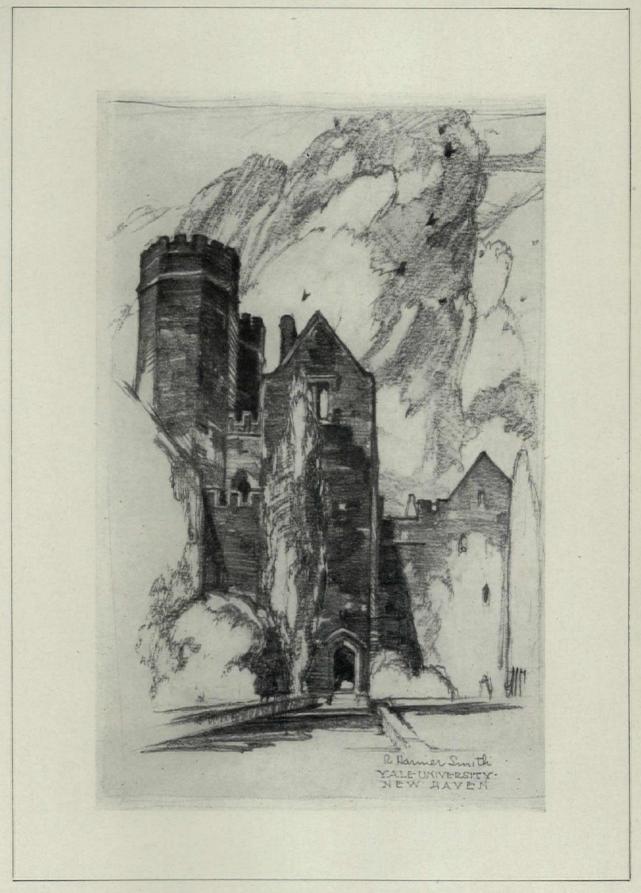


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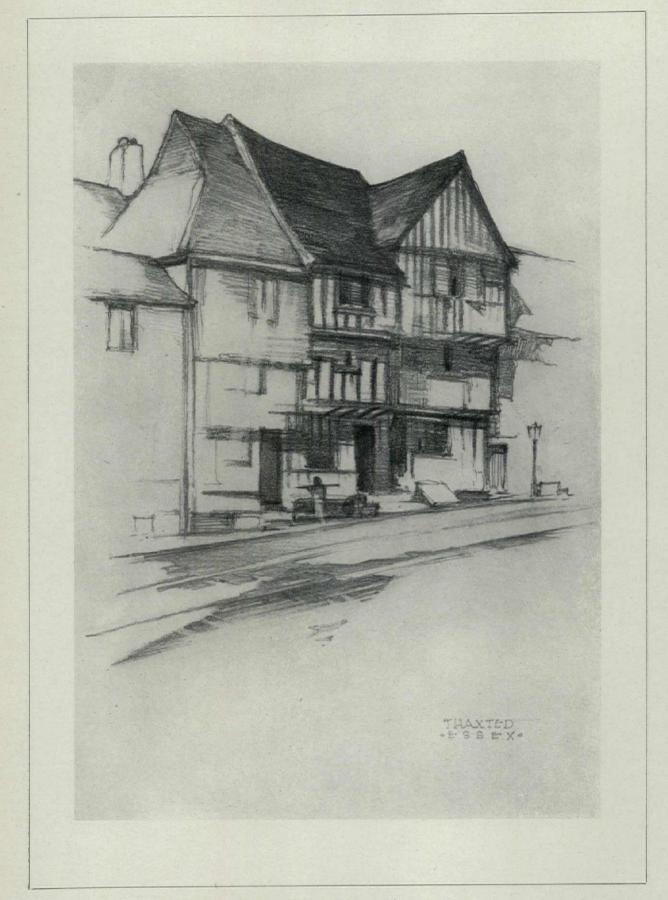


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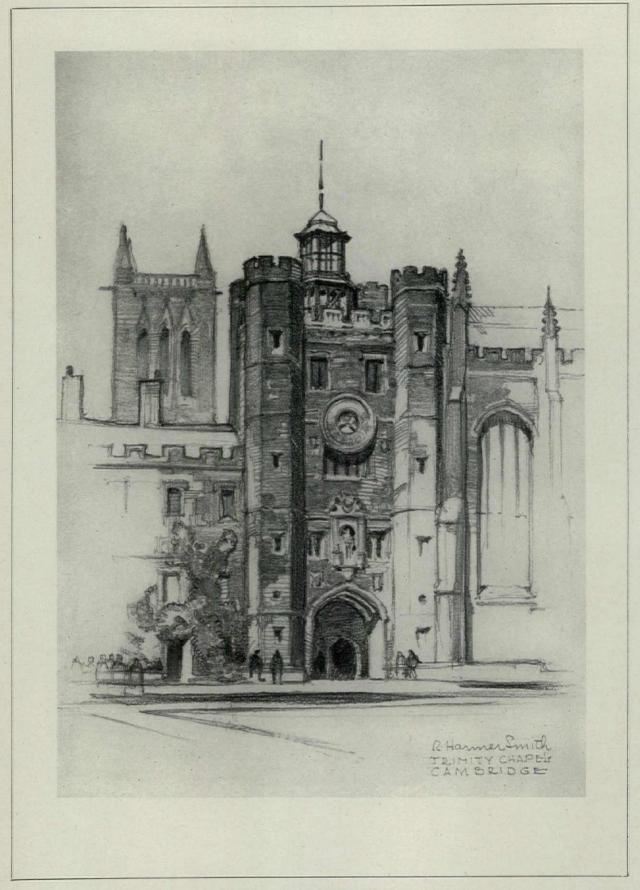
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# The Geometry of Architectural Drafting

# 17—Geomathematics of the Circle

By Ernest Irving Freese

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Arc centers, and other points associated with the laying out of partial or complete circles, are not located on the job by any process akin to geometrical construction. They are determined by reading the figured dimensions placed prominently and unmistakably on the working drawings for that express purpose. They are not found graphically. They are located by rule measurement, not by geometry. But geometry—and geometrical analysis — predetermines the measurement in the drafting room.

Wherefore, the ability to dimension accurately the working drawings he has produced is an essential part of the expert draftsman's stock-in-trade. At the same time, however, it can not be insisted upon that even an expert draftsman be so well versed in analytical geometry as to be able to derive the formulas by means of which any required dimension associated with the definition of circles or circular arcs can be found. The derivation of such equations presupposes a practical working knowledge of higher mathematics that but few draftsmen ever acquire. It's a gift more than an acquirement anyhow! Yet, constantly in practice, the need of such formulas-short cuts, you may call them-is present. However, after the needed general formulas are once derived, the required unknown values equated thereto become easily discoverable by a mere application of common arithmetic, which latter science is most certainly intimately associated with the production of working drawings and pay rolls-the one in direct ratio to the other. Of course, there are some highfaluting, Windsor-tied, smock-clad superpersonages to whom even the bare mention of the term "arithmetic" puts their sensitive souls in torment: they prefer to travel under the exclusive cognomen of "designers." And many of them do travel-from one office to another. But the real draftsman stays put—and gets out the working drawings. To the latter, this "analytical" detour will prove a welcome and profitable excursion.

Although this Part and Part 18, following, are largely devoted to the figured dimensioning of circular arcs, we are not yet finished with the "graphics" of the circle; that is, with the drafting-board constructions having to do with the drawing of them under any given or imposed conditions. Beginning with Part 19 you will find simple ways of discovering the

exact point at which to center your compass to produce the particular circle or arc required in the geometrical solution of any such problem that may arise. The last vestige of guesswork methods and time-wasting "try-it-and-see" maneuvers will be banished from the boards. Meanwhile, Parts 17 and 18 are inserted for their immediate practical value. They are a muchneeded contribution to the geomathematics of the circle. But the "analytics" are buried deep, so that, with no mathematical knowledge higher than schoolday arithmetic, any draftsman can now properly dimension any circular curve whatsoever that is not ordinarily taken care of by full-size detailing. Moreover, the "engineering" force, in the larger offices, will at once recognize the value of the time-saving mass of general data herewith and in Part 18 made available both for immediate use and for constant future reference.

## Figure 151:

Here are the simple fundamentals: the groundwork of what I have termed the "geomathematics" of the circle. By means of the three diagrams under "Linear Proportions" you can at once discover any two of the three dimensions of a full circle in terms of the one known or given dimension. If the diameter is given, multiply it by 355, and divide the product by 113: the result is the length of the circumference. The same result comes from multiplying the radius by 710, and then dividing the result by 113. Or, if the radius is required for a fixed length of circumference, the third diagram indicates that it is 113/710ths of the given length of circumference. The results are more exact than using the commonly-accepted "pi" value of 3.1416 for the ratio of length of circumference to length of diameter. Moreover it is sometimes desirable, for one reason or another, to determine a circle whose diameter and circumference can be expressed in integers or commensurable numbers instead of in never-ending decimals. By adopting the fraction 355/113ths as the finite value of "pi," this can be done, and the discrepancy in circumference will be less than 1/58th of an inch per mile diameter. In other words, by using the "pi" value stated, if the diameter were made 113 inches, the circumference would become 355 inches. If the diameter were made 113 quarter inches, the circumference would become 355 quarter inches: etc., etc. Obviously, the same commensurable system can be applied to portions of circles as well. Also, remem-

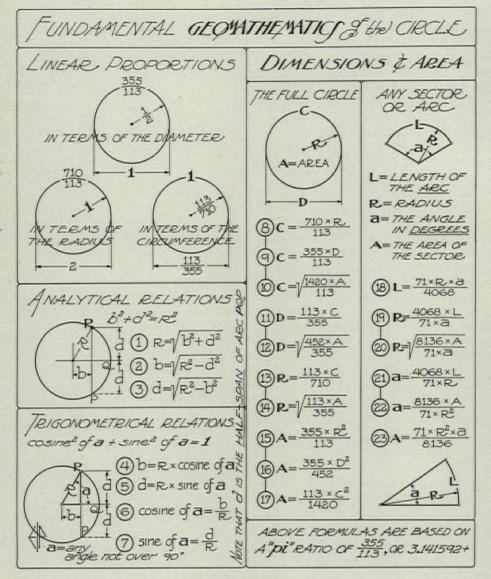


FIGURE 151

ber this: the circumference of one circle is to the circumference of another as the radius or diameter of the one is to the radius or diameter of the other. Said in another way: the difference in length between any two circumferences is equal to 355/113ths of the difference in their diameters. If a hoop were 1" greater in diameter than a barrel, then the hoop's length would be 355/113ths inches greater than the barrel's circumference; and if a hoop were 1" greater in diameter than the earth, then the hoop's length would still be that same 355/113ths inches greater than the earth's circumference. Do you get that? All right, answer this one: a semicircular arch ring has a radial width of 1' 9-3/16"; how much longer is the extrados than the intrados? But that was too easy. Try this one: an 8" ungauged brick "soldier course" arch springs from skewbacks inclined at 45 degrees to the spring line. How much more aggregate distance do the mortar joints occupy along the line of the extrados than they do along the concentric line of the intrados? Both of these problems can be solved by the information conveyed in this one paragraph. If you get 5' 6-9/16"

for the answer to the first, and 1'-9/16" for the answer to the second, then already you have learned something that may "come in handy" sometime when you are struggling with a full-size detail of arch ring jointing, and the center of the arch is not in the drafting room.

Under "Analytical Relations," of Figure 151, the basic coordinate equations of the circle are given, by means of which any one of the linear values there diagrammed can be found in terms of the other two. Suppose a certain point, P, on the line of a circular arc, must be definitely located in reference to any pair of rectangular axes passing through the center of the circle. The radius of the arc or the circle is, say, 4'-5", and the known or fixed distance, d, is 3'-9". Then the other necessary dimension, b, will be yielded by a solution of Formula 2. The answer, in this case, is 2'-4", being the exact square root of the difference between the square of the radius and the square of

dimension d. These formulas of coordinate or "analytical" geometry, as well as the next four "trigonometrical" formulas, are all applications of the familiar Pythagorean proposition that the square of the hypotenuse of a right triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides. In fact, if it were not for the truth of this proposition, there would be no such things as analytical geometry and trigonometry. They are the Pythagorean proposition—nothing else.

Now, under "Trigonometrical Relations," Figure 151, you will note that the angle, a, becomes a factor in the equations. Hence, knowing this angle, and knowing the length of the radius, R, the two unknown coordinate dimensions, b and d, locating any point P, can be determined by solving Formulas 4 and 5, respectively. As an example, let the known angle, a, be 60 degrees, and let the known length of radius, R, be 6'-0". Then, by Formula 4, the required unknown dimension b is equal to the product of the radius and the cosine of 60 degrees; and, by Formula 5, dimension d equals the product of the same radius and the sine of the same angle. From a table of natural trigonomet-

trical functions you will find the cosine of 60 degrees listed as the ratio .5000000; and the sine as .8660254; hence, multiplying these decimals by 6 feet, or 72 inches, and converting the decimalized results to the nearest 32nd of an inch, gives the required dimensions of 3'-0" and 5' 2-11/32" for the rectangular coordinates b and d of the point P. Just remember that the sine and cosine of the angle designated as a are simply tabulated ratios which, multiplied by the radius, R, yield the actual lengths of the rectangular sides of the right triangle whose hypotenuse is R. This is clearly shown in the Diagram, and is definitely formulated in the four basic equations there recorded. Evidently, then, if the two rectangular distances b and d are known, rather than the designated angle, the latter can then be determined as follows: first, either by Formula 6 or by Formula 7, compute either the cosine or the sine of the angle; then, referring to a trigonometrical table, find the angle corresponding to this calculated value, either directly or by proportionate interpolation of the tabulated values. A study of the fundamental Formulas 1 to 7, inclusive, will yield the solution of practically all problems that have to do with right-angled triangles, or with the location of any required arc-point either by rectangular coordinate dimensions or by units of angular designation.

Under "Dimensions and Area," Figure 151, Formulas 8 to 17, inclusive, apply to full circles, and they cover all possible conditions: any unknown value can thus be found in terms of any other known one. Formulas 18 to 23, inclusive, particularly apply to any portion of a circle, that is, to any sector or arc up to a complete circle. Here, again, the angle subtended by the arc enters into the equations, not, however, in a trigonometrical relation, but to supply the equations with the needful lesser term of the numerical ratio that the given arc or sector bears to a full circle of 360 degrees, the latter and greater term having been already woven into these formulas. In these six formulas, then, the denomination of the angle, a, must always be degrees; whole, fractional, or decimal. Suppose that the length of the intrados of a 60-degree segmental arch were required, the known radius being 6'-0". Here, the unknown length L, of the arc, is required in terms of the known radius R and the known angle a. Hence, Formula 18 applies. This formula tells you, in mathematical shorthand, that the required length of the arc is equal to 71 times the product of the radius and angle, divided by 4068. Let's see what this amounts to. The product of the radius and angle is 6 times 60, making 360; and 71 times 360 makes 25560; and 25560 divided by 4068 yields the length of the arc as 6.283 feet, since the radius was taken in feet. Multiplying .283 feet by 12 gets it into inches, the result being 3.396 inches; and .396 inches, converted to rule measurement, becomes 13/32nds of an inch. Hence, the decimals are thus finally eliminated, and the length of the arc, in rule measurement, appears as 6' 3-13/32". In actual practice, the computations would be considerably simplified by setting down the known quantities in the manner of Formula 18, since then they could be reduced by common divisors and by partial or complete cancellation of one or another of them before making the final multiplication and division. Always bear in mind that all linear quantities must enter the formulas under the same name, that is, they must be either feet or inches-whole, fractional or decimal-never feet and inches. In case the area is a factor, then the name of its square units must be the same as the name of the linear units occurring in the same formula. Also, I repeat, the angle in Formulas 18 to 23, inclusive, must always be designated in degrees only, whole, fractional, or decimal, never in degrees, minutes, and seconds. If the angle in the above example had been 60 degrees and 2 minutes, it would have been necessary to convert it to the fraction 1801/30ths degrees, or to the decimal 60.0333 degrees, before using it in the formula. These instructions are exceedingly rudimentary-and exceedingly pertinent. A violation of any one of them will render your ambitious efforts at figured dimensioning utterly useless.

### Figure 152:

In the layout of long-radius arcs, on the job-say for a curved driveway, walk, property-line wall, an arched roof truss or built-up centering for long-radius arches, plan curves, etc.—it often happens that the center of the required arc is actually inaccessible. A building, a fence, a group of trees, rocks, a pile of bagged cement, or even a "neighbor," may be in the way of not only fixing the center but also of swinging the required arc with a tape line; or, again, the ground may be so uneven, or slope to such an extent, as to result in inaccurate centering, or in the describing of curves that are certainly not circular! these cases, and in other less common cases, the required arc must be staked out on the ground or plotted in position by a series of close-together consecutive points located therealong—the spacing of the points depending on the degree of curvature and the degree of accu-

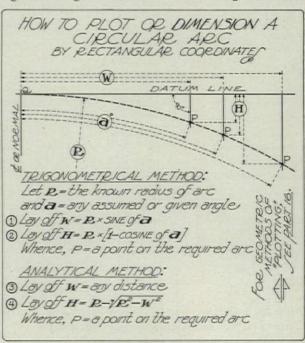


FIGURE 152

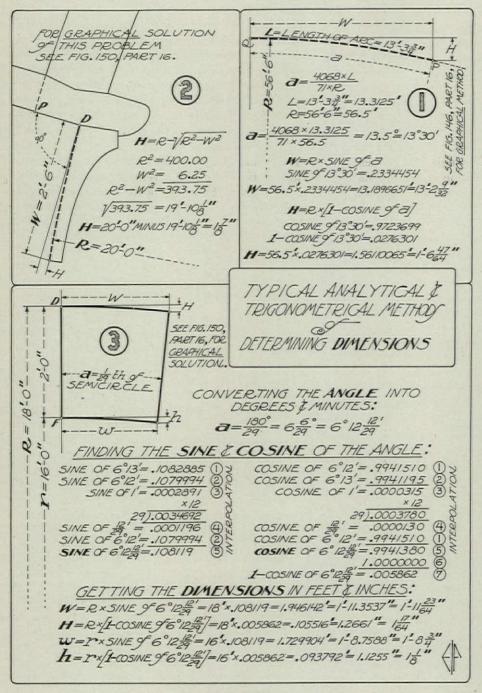


FIGURE 153

racy required in the result. And these points along the curve are located by pairs of dimensioned coordinates referred to any convenient point as the origin, the latter being usually taken as the known crown point of the required arc. A dimensioned drawing of half the arc then becomes necessary in order that a workman be enabled to lay it out on the job. Figure 152 shows how the required rectangular coordinates of any circular curve are determined and laid off. Two methods are shown: the trigonometrical and the analytical. Certainly, this Figure, and the accompanying simple formulas, should render the process clear. If conditions operate to make the spring line of the arc more desirable as a datum line, then, from the known total height of the arc, merely subtract the ordinate dimen-

sions that are gotten either by Formula 2 or by Formula 4 of Figure 152: the results will be the distances from the spring line to the points on the curve, instead of from the tangent datum line drawn through the crown point Q of the arc. The methods of Figure 152 could, of course, also be used to plot long-radius arcs on the drafting board, but the graphical methods developed in Part 16, heretofore, are more exact and infinitely more expeditious for these As a matter of cases. fact, the methods of plotting given in said Part 16 could easily be used on the job - but, ordinarily, it's too much to expect a building mechanic to have such specialized geometrical knowledge. He wants figures - dimensions in feet and inches - not geometrical constructions! So, you see, "figures" are a very essential part of your geometry. And that's why I'm telling you how to determine them-in my geometry.

Figure 153:

Diagram "1" shows how to determine the rectangular dimensions W and H, which locate a required point P occurring at a definite and known distance L, from a given point Q, along the

line of any existing or proposed circular arc; the radius of the arc also being a known dimension. Here, then, the given distance L becomes the known length of the arc QP. Now, from an inspection of Formulas 1 and 2, of Figure 152, you can see that the unknown dimensions W and H can be found if the sine and cosine of angle a can be determined. And you surely know that these required functions can—either directly or by proportionate interpolation—be readily discovered from a ready-made trigonometrical table of sines and cosines, provided the angle itself is known. Furthermore, Formula 21, of Figure 151, tells you that this angle can be found in terms of the known length L and the known radius R. Hence, first determine the unknown magnitude of the angle a by

means of Formula 21, Figure 151; then, from a trigonometrical table, determine the sine and cosine of this angle; then, by Formulas 1 and 2, Figure 152, compute the required lengths of the coordinates W and H. The entire arithmetical process is detailed at Diagram "1" of Figure 153, and, with what has been said, little confusion should be felt in following it through. This problem brings out the fact that, in some cases, one or more preliminary formulas or computations are required in order to materialize the "known" values necessary to the solution of the final formula that yields the required dimensions. Obviously, if the angular magnitude of angle a had been given instead of the length L of its arc, then, by referring to a "trig" table, Formulas 1 and 2 of Figure 152 would have been directly applicable. And, from that, you can see that it would be possible to locate any number of equally-spaced points along the line of a circular arc by means of corresponding pairs of dimensioned coordinates fixing the angular extent of each portion of the given total arc. This problem, then, is suggestive of the mathematical solutions of several problems that have heretofore been solved much more simply, on the drafting board, by the system of graphical cyclometry developed in Parts 14 and 15, and particularly instanced in Part 16 at Figure 146.

At Diagram "2," of Figure 153, an analytic solution is presented of the same problem heretofore solved graphically in Part 16 at Diagram 4 of Figure 150; namely, to determine the rectangular coordinates W and H for use in plotting the long-radius arc of the back of the bracket. In this alternate solution, herewith, the distance W, of 2'-6", was first "scaled" directly from the scale working drawings, thus becoming a known dimension. With this distance known, and with the radius known, Formula 4 of Figure 152 yields the height H of 17/8"—the entire computation being detailed at Diagram "2" of Figure 153.

Diagram "3," of Figure 153, is a detailed trigonometrical solution of the same problem that was worked graphically in Part 16 at Diagram "6" of Figure 150. The problem is to lay off, full size, 1/29th part of a semicircular arch ring of the radii given, but without recourse to the center point of the circle, said point being here assumed as out of reach or inaccessible. Evidently then, the required portions of the arcs of the extrados and intrados must be "plotted." But, first, the two pairs of rectangular coordinates, W, H, and w, h, must be determined. In this alternate solution, then, the lengths of these coordinates become required dimensions. Also, in order to find the sine and cosine of 1/29th of 180 degrees, it is necessary to first convert this fraction into degrees and minutes for accurate interpolation of the required trigonometrical functions. The entire process of interpolation is given in the Figure. It's "long-winded" and tedious, but not particularly difficult. Note that the sine of an angle increases with the increase of the angle, while the cosine of an angle decreases with the increase of the angle. Hence, in the sine computations, item 4 is added to item 2 to get the required item 5, while, in the cosine computations, item 4 is subtracted from item

1 to get the required item 5, and the latter item, subtracted from unity, gives item 6 which is the required value of 1 minus the cosine of 1/29th of 180 degrees. Then, by Formulas 1 and 2, of Figure 152, the required dimensions W, H, and w, h, are determined as shown by the detailed computations for same in Diagram 3 of Figure 153. You can now compare the final results of the above calculations with the corresponding results yielded by the purely graphical method of solution heretofore given in Part 16 at Diagram "6" of Figure 150. If your graphical work has been accurately performed the results of same will be more exact than the results of the above calculations, for the reason that, in the calculations, the decimalized results were converted to the nearest 64th of an inch-which is cutting it fine at that! So, don't forget this: the most reliable check on any calculation is a carefullydrawn geometrical construction.

So accustomed are we to handling all computations decimally, it has failed to become generally known that there exists an absolutely unlimited number of circular arcs whose three related dimensions—the span, height, and radius-are expressible in "rational" numbers, that is, in exact and finite numerical terms, instead of never-ending decimals. TABLE 5, herewith, records a number of usable arcs having their dimensions so given. And the simple arithmetical equation given at the head of this table proves the commensurability of these three dimensions. The use and value of TABLE 5 should be obvious, but a number of pertinent practical instances will be given, since, surprising as it may seem, no table of this kind has before been made available. The arcs there tabulated vary in height, by small increments, from 1/34th the span up to 1/2 the span, inclusive, which latter arc is, of course, a semicircle. The fourth column of the table contains the value of the span-divided-by-theheight which, for brevity, will be called "S over H" as there formulated. This value is given for comparative purposes, as well as to enable the user of the table to readily "pick out" an arc having the desired proportions or having proportions closely approaching those that were assumed for the purpose of fixing the exact dimensions. To illustrate: suppose the "design" you are working from shows a segmental arch spanning an opening of 5'-6", and assume that nothing is operative to fix the height of this arch except appearances, or the whim of the designer. All right, the height of the arch "scales" about 11". Dividing the fixed span of 5'-6" by 11" gives 6 as the "S over H" ratio. Hence, glancing down the "S over H" column of the table, the ratio 6 is found exactly. It indicates an arc whose exact relative dimensions are: span, 6; height, 1; radius, 5. In other words, the height remains 1/6th the span, or 11" as "scaled," and the required radius-dimension then becomes 5 times this height, which is 4'-7" exactly. In this case, the dimensions are not only commensurable with each other, but they are also commensurable with foot-rule units. Hence, no "conversion" is required. And you will find that this often occurs, but not always. Suppose you are laying out the plan of a bow window-a

circular segmental bay-and that you desire it to have a width of about 8 feet, and a projection of about 21/2 feet. Here, the width is the "Span," and the projection is the "Height." Wherefore, the trial "S over H" ratio becomes 96 inches divided by 30 inches, equalling 3-1/5. Again TABLE 5 contains this exact ratio, thereby designating an arc whose finite relative dimensions are: span, 160; height, 50; radius, 89. Hence, for a fixed span of 8'-0", the height remains 2'-6", and the required radius becomes 89/160ths of the span, or 89/160ths of 96 inches, which is 53-2/5 inches, exactly. However, the 2/5ths of an inch is not a dimension associated with foot-rule measurement, hence must be "converted" thereto before going on the working plans as a dimension. And this conversion always results in an approximation. Ordinarily, any lineal dimension that splits a sixteenth of an inch should be-and in most cases can be-avoided on the working plans. In the dimensioning of curves, however, where the required dimension is determined by calculation from other fixed dimensions, accuracy demands that a sixteenth of an inch must often be "split" in half or, in exceptionally small dimensions, that it should be quartered. In other words, in these cases, where either a decimal or a fraction foreign to the foot-rule must be "converted," it is permissible—in fact, necessary—that the conversion be carried to the nearest 32nd of an inch, or possibly to the nearest 64th of an inch-depending on the conditions of the case. The mechanic's rule ordinarily contains no unit finer than a sixteenth of an inch, but a half of this, or even a quarter of it, can be "estimated" therefrom with fair accuracy—and risibility! we can get back to that circular bay of which the required radius was found to be 53-2/5". Consulting the conversion scale given in Part 9, it is at once seen that the nearest rule-equivalent to the fraction 2/5ths, or 40/100ths, is 13/32nds. Wherefore, the required radius-dimension becomes 4' 5-13/32", approximately, for a fixed span of 8'-0" and a fixed height of 2'-6".

Now, since the proportions of the above arc, as given exactly in TABLE 5, are: span, 160; height, 50; radius, 89; it is evident that you can call these numbers inches, feet, quarter-inches, meters, centimeters, or any other lineal denomination, and that they would then become exact dimensions. Calling them inches, and then taking 9/16ths, say, of each, you get: span, 7'-6"; height, 2'-41/8"; radius, 4' 2-1/16", exactly. Or, taking 19/32nds of each, you get: span, 7'-11"; height, 2' 5-11/16"; radius, 4' 4-27/32", exactly. Again, taking 5/8ths of each, you get: span, 8'-4"; height, 2'-71/4"; radius, 4'-75/8", exactly. Any one of these exact triads might have been used for the dimensions of the above segmental bay. So you see, by a little simple "juggling" of figures, you can, by means of TABLE 5, discover an arc of almost any required or assumed ratio of height to span, or height to radius, that will yield its dimensions not only in exact and commensurable terms but also in terms associated with rule measurement. And no formula need be solved to determine these dimensions.

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SPAN	HEIGHT	RADIUS	H
34	1	145	34
			30
30	1	113	
26	1	85	26
48	2	145	24
22	1	61	22
40	2	101	20
18	1	41	18
32	2	65	16
	1		14
14	1	25	
24	2	37	12
88	8	125	11
10	1	13	10
72	8	85	9
78	9	89	8-2/3
16	2	17	8
66	9	65	7-1/3
56	8	53	7
120	18	109	6-2/3
6	1	5	6
176	32	137	5-1/2
96	18	73	5-1/3
130	25	97	5-1/5
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40	8	29	5
42	9	29	4-2/3
144	32	97	4-1/2
110	25	73	4-2/5
210	49	137	4-2/7
8	2	5	4
182	49		
		109	3-5/7
90	25	53	3-3/5
112	32	65	3-1/2
30	9	17	3-1/3
160	50	89	3-1/5
154	49	85	3-1/7
24	8		3
		13	
234	81	125	2-8/9
70	25	37	2-4/5
48	18	25	2-2/3
126	49	65	2-4/7
80	32	41	2-1/2
198	81	101	2-1/2
		-	
120	50	61	2-2/5
286	121	145	2-4/11
168	72	85	2-1/3
224	98	113	2-2/7
288	128	145	2-1/4
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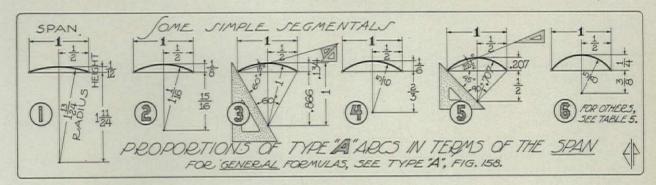


FIGURE 154

In case both the span-dimension and the heightdimension of a circular arc are unchangeably fixedeither from architectural or structural considerations -and in case TABLE 5 does not contain the exact value of "S over H," then the radius-dimension correspondent with the fixed span and height will have to be found by solving the formula for same given at the head of this table. As an example: suppose the top member of an arched truss has a fixed span of 45'-2", and a fixed rise of 5'-6" at the center of the span; what dimension would you mark on the working drawings as the required radius for an arc of this span and height? Here, the ratio "S over H" is 8-7/33. But TABLE 5, column four, does not tabulate this particular ratio. If, however, the height were changed to 1/8th the span, that is, if it were made 5'-73/4" instead of 5'-6", then the radius would become exactly 17/16ths of the span, or 47'-117/8", since, for a value of 8 for "S over H," TABLE 5 gives the following proportions: span, 16; height, 2; radius, 17. Nevertheless, to illustrate the problem stated, I shall assume that the change in height would not be made, that it could not be made. Then, by the formula given at the head of TABLE 5, the required radius, R, is seen to equal the sum of the squared half-span and squared height, divided by twice the height. Half the span is 22'-7", which is 271". The height is 5'-6", which is 66". The square of 271 is 73441, and the square of 66 is 4356. The sum of these squares is 77797. Dividing this by 132—that is, by twice the height in inches-gives 589 49/132", or 49' 1-49/132", as the required length of radius, exactly-since no decimals have been used in the computation. However, the 49/132nds of an inch is not a dimension associated with the foot-rule and, therefore, must be converted to the nearest rule-equivalent, which is found to be 3/8". Hence, while the length of the radius has been found to be 49' 1-49/132" exactly, yet, due to our clumsy system of measurement, the dimension must go on the plans as 49'-13/8", an approximation. But, while these approximations are near enough for most practical purposes, they can, as I have shown, be easily avoided by an exceedingly slight change in one or another of the known or assumed dimensions. Moreover, such a change will avoid all "formulated" calculations, since TABLE 5 contains such a wide range of ready-to-use triads. Now, you are still wondering why I worked out the above problem in inches-whole numbers-instead of doing it in the "customary" way with feet and decimals thereof. Well, in the first place, it's just as simple, possibly more so; and, in the second place, it shows that the radius is expressible in finite numerical terms; and, in the third place, this exact result might have been such as to also be exactly expressible in units of foot-rule measurement. Reasons enough: but decimalized calculation has become a habit. So here's the same problem, solved in the "customary" way—take your choice! Half the span is 22'-7". The height is 5'-6". From a table of squared dimensions-which it is plain foolish not to possess-the square of 22'-7" reads 510.0069, in square feet; and the square of 5'-6" reads 30.25. The sum of these squares is 540.2569. Dividing this by 11—by twice

the height in feet-gives 49.1142 feet as the required radius. Multiplying .1142 feet by 12 makes it equal 1.37 inches. And .37 inches, converted to the nearest rule - equivalent, is 3/8". Hence, as before, the radius dimension becomes 49'-13/8", approximately. Same approximate result, true enough. But you now know that it could be found exactly—but not by decimal calculation, which latter, in itself, is

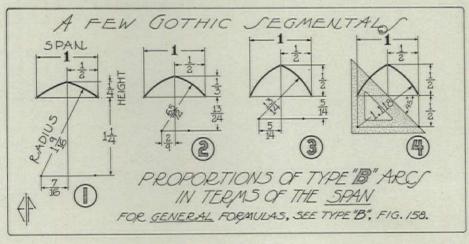


FIGURE 155

usually an approximation.

Later, in this Part and in Part 18 following, I shall record all formulas required for the discovery of any unknown dimension whatsoever having to do with every simple, combined, compound, or reversed circular curve encountered in architectural and structural drafting. After you are through with these two Parts of this work you will know right where to find the particular

formula required, as well as how to apply it, in the working out of any drafting-room problem in figured dimensioning that may thereafter arise. But I am going to give you some more instructive and ready-to-use data and diagrams first, so that, though the general formulas to follow have been reduced to their simplest forms and require no knowledge of "high brow" mathematics in solving them, they will not have to be resorted to except in uncommon cases.

Again reverting to a discussion of TABLE 5, you now know that each triad of integers there set down—that is, the three whole numbers representing, respectively, the span, the height, and the radius—are relative proportions that may not only be exactly expressed in terms of one another but that may also be assigned any lineal denomination at all and still yield commensurable values—exact dimensions. Take the first triad: span, 34; height, 1; radius, 145. Then, in terms of the span, the height is 1/34th, and the

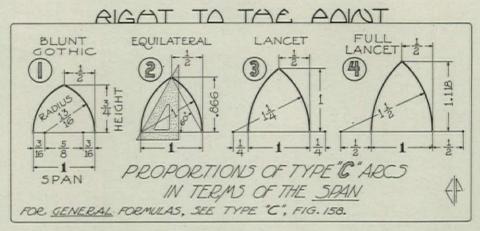


FIGURE 156

radius is 145/34ths. In terms of the height, the span is 34, and the radius is 145. In terms of the radius, the height is 1/145th, and the span is 34/145ths. All of which applies to this one particular triad whose "S over H" ratio is 34. And similarly for the other triads. Again, let the numbers of the first triad each represent the same number of, say, 32nds of an inch. The span then becomes 1-1/16"; the height becomes 1/32"; the radius becomes 4-17/32", all exactly. Multiply these dimensions by any whole number what--2, 3, 4, 5, 6, etc., etc.—and each resultant arc will remain of the same proportions and have its dimensions in foot-rule measurements-exactly so. And the same process holds true of every arc there tabulated. In other words, a table of dimensioned arcs could readily and quickly be compiled from each triad of TABLE 5, and you could then immediately pick therefrom, by mere inspection, the three dimensions of any arc that would serve your purpose. You

have probably discovered that TABLE 5 is an extension of the system of "commensurable coordinates" originally established in Part 16 at Diagram 5 of Figure 147, and there referred to. And you also may discover that TABLE 5 has been made good use of in fixing the exact related proportions of most of the simple, combined, and compound circular arcs exemplified in the next four Figures as well as in some similarly worked-out examples given in Part

Figures 154, 155, 156, 157:

Words are superfluous. The work has all been done. Merely "pick out"

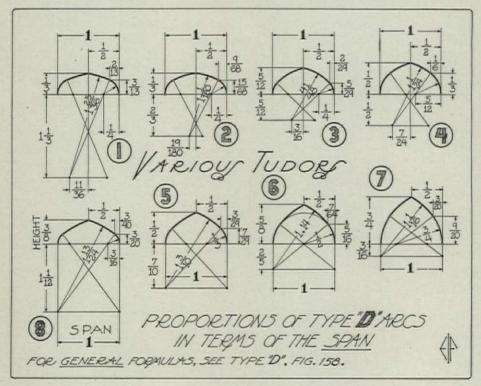


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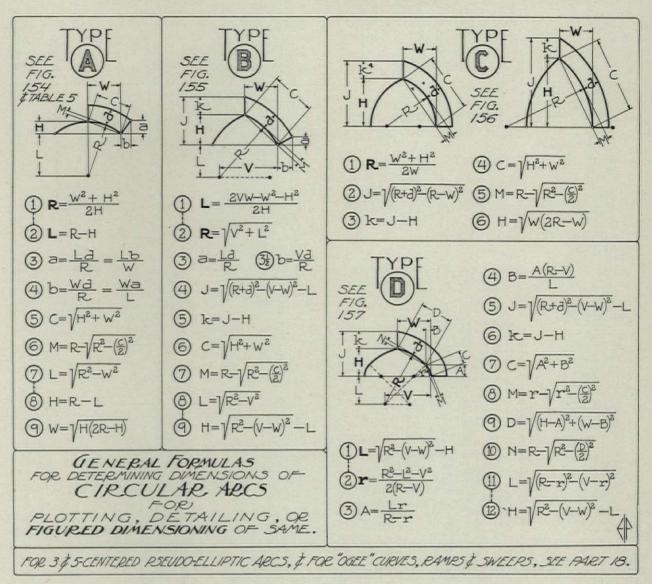


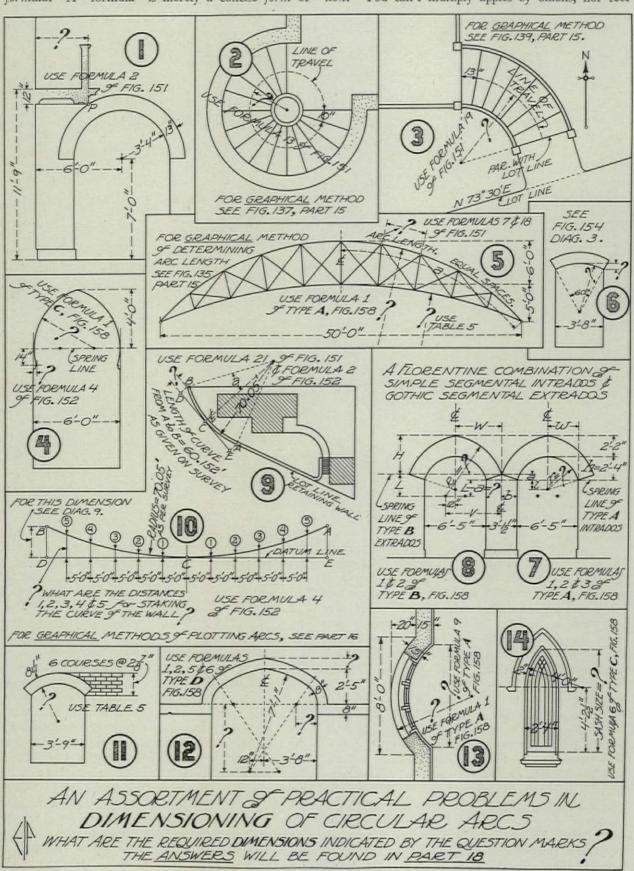
FIGURE 158

the particular alluring shape that satisfies the conditions of the case, or that fulfills your æsthetic hankerings. Multiply the numbers there given by the known or assumed length of SPAN, and thereby forthwith "discover" the unknown dimensions that you need. You may have to "convert" some of the results to rulemeasurement-but that's easy. Personally, "just between you and me and the gate post," that plump Tudor carrying number "2" of Figure 157 "takes my eye." Guess I'll pick on that one. Let's see: the span I'm working to is 7'-6"-might be an inch more or an inch less. But 7'-6" is 90"-O.K. This makes the height 1/3rd of 90", or 2'-6"-O.K. And it makes the haunch radius 1/4 of 90", or 1'-101/2"; and makes the crown radius equal 90" plus 1/180th of 90", or 7'-61/2"-O.K.! And it makes the centers of the crown arcs 2/3rds of 90", or 5'-0", below the spring line, and 19/180ths of 90", or 91/2", each side of the center line-O.!K.! Now you try your luck. And in Part 18 you'll find some 3-centered and 5-centered "almost" elliptical curves that you can dimension just as easily. Also, you'll there find some usable reversed curves worked out in the same manner—eyebrows, pediments, what not! Now for those formulas I promised a while back—some of them—the ones that apply to the four types of circular arcs covered in this Part: namely, types "A," "B," "C," "D." The others are in Part 18.

#### Figure 158:

The unusual cases now come under consideration: the cases in which one or more "known" dimensions are so unalterably fixed that it becomes necessary to find the "unknown" required dimensions by formulaby analytical geometry. But, as I have said before, the "analytical" part is buried deep. Only the final formulated usable results are here recorded—not their analytical derivation. I've reduced an abstruse and highly-involved subject to one of plain everyday arithmetic, requiring no such knowledge higher than squaring a number or extracting its square root-no, you don't even need that much knowledge, for tables listing these values for both abstract numbers and dimensions in feet and inches are readily procurable. If you can manipulate the "slip stick"—all right, if you have good "eyesight." There's thousands of slide rules in use—and millions of calculations made without them! No, all you need is a scratch-pad, a pencil, a table of squares, and a knowledge of how to read a formula. A "formula" is merely a concise form of

stating a rule—nothing else. Substitute the known numerical quantities for the letters representing them, making sure that they are all of the same denomination. You can't multiply apples by onions, nor feet



by inches-you are supposed to have learned that in school-but you might have forgotten it. Next, perform the indicated arithmetical operations, remembering that, where no arithmetical sign separates any two letters, or any one letter and a quantity in a parenthesis, or any two quantities each in a parenthesis, or any one quantity and a quantity under the square root sign-in short, where the sign of operation is omitted -multiplication is always inferred. Operations indicated in parentheses should be performed first; then the inferred operations of multiplication if there be such; then the operations of addition and subtraction; and, finally, the operation that produces the one unknown quantity—the solution of the equation. Then, no doubt, this final result will have to be "converted" to foot-rule measurement. You know how. The full process of solution requires care, and it may be distasteful: but it is neither difficult nor "too much to expect of a mere draftsman." On the contrary, the ability to solve these equations, when the occasion demands, goes hand-in-hand with the draftsman's ability to "draw": for how can he draw working plans without placing thereon the figured dimensions required by the builder? Moreover, any draftsman that does not have to "holler for help" or "call in the engineer" to furnish an unknown but required dimension certainly goes up a notch on the pay roll.

FORMULAS FOR TYPE "A" ARCS, Figure 158. Type "A" arcs are simple one-centered segmentals. They are the basic component arcs forming all other circular types. In their simple form, here designated as Type "A," they repeatedly occur in building construction in arches, architraves, bay windows, pediments, arched ceilings, roofs, roof truss members, etc. In the explanatory diagram—as in all such type-diagrams accompanying the formulas of this Figure—the "known" dimensions that are ordinarily given, fixed, or assumed, are indicated by the heavilydrawn reference letters, while the "unknown" dimensions ordinarily required to be found from these known ones are also so indicated in the formulas. Other formulas are given for determining various other dimensions of the pictured arcs. While these other formulas-the greater bulk of them all, in factwill not often be required, yet they will, on occasion, be found of much value in determining the various chord lengths and heights, points of inflection or of compound curvature, etc., for the purpose of laying down on the detail board any required portion of the curve in case it is of so great a radius as to necessitate the "plotting" of same by some one of the various methods heretofore given in Part 16. In fact, for one purpose or another, every formula here and hereafter given will sometime be found of use. For Type "A" arcs, the figured dimensions usually needed on the working drawings are: the span, or half-span W; the height H; the radius R; and, advisedly, the distance L from spring line to center of arc. The known dimensions, W and H, are usually fixed by a consideration of design or structure, or else arbitrarily assumed. From these two dimensions, the others are then determined. Formula 1 yields the required length of radius directly, and you will note that this is the same formula as given at the head of TABLE 5, since W here represents the half span. Formula 2 then yields the distance L merely by subtraction of the given height from the now-known radius. In the case of an arch ring, the dimensions a and b may become desirable, either for placement on the drawings or for properly detailing a skewback from which the arch springs. Formulas 3 and 4 yield these dimensions, two forms being given for each, the distance d being the width of the ring or the radial distance between the concentric arcs of same. Formulas 5 and 6 determine the chord and rise of half the arc. And, if the radius and half span are the "known" values, Formulas 7 and 8 will determine the distance L and the height of the full arc, H. Again, it is sometimes necessary to determine the extent of the span, or of the half-span W, from a known height and radius. The half-span is vielded by Formula 9 and, of course, the result is merely doubled to get the required full span.

FORMULAS FOR TYPE "B" ARCS, Figure 158. A Type "B" arc is a pointed and symmetrical combination of two simple segmentals centered anywhere below the spring line, as the Diagram indicates. An arch of this type is termed a Gothic segmental. An excellent use of an arch of this type is for "backing up" a full Gothic arch, point-to-point, so as to allow the full-pointed doors of the main outer archway to swing inward through a deep reveal without interference. It finds use in many other numerous instances where "headroom" is limited, and yet a Gothic-style arch is demanded. Type "B" arcs also form the extrados line of many Florentine arches. With the height H, and half-span W, fixed by the exigencies of the case, the arc of which C is the chord is then drawn from such a center point located on the perpendicular bisector of this chord as will give the arc the "appearance" desired. The distance V, from this thus-determined center to the farther jamb line, or to the perpendicular "dropped" from the farther spring point, is then closely "scaled" and, thereby, established as a fixed known dimension. The distances V, W and H, are then the "known" quantities, and, from these, the required "unknown" quantities L and R are vielded by solutions of Formulas 1 and 2, respectively. Formulas 3 and 31/2 then give the skewback cut. Formula 4 gives you the over-all height from spring line to point of extrados, and Formula 5 yields the depth of keystone on the center line of the arch, or the vertical distance between any two concentric arcs on said center line—the radial distance, d, between concentric arcs being a "known" dimension. If the length of the chord C, and its coordinate height M, are needed, Formulas 6 and 7 will accommodate that need. In case the height H is not a fixed or known dimension but, instead, the distance V, the halfspan W, and the radius R, are given, assumed, or "scaled," then Formulas 8 and 9 will establish the corresponding unknown but necessary values for L and  $\hat{H}$ . In rare cases, the values of W, H and Rmay constitute the set of known or assumed dimensions. Since these dimensions fix both extremities of

the arc as well as its radius, the center of the arc is virtually determined, since it can readily be found by crossed arcs of the given radius R, swung from the known extremities. In other words, the coordinates L and V are not, in these cases, absolutely essential dimensions: the required arc can readily be laid out without them. However, if desired, the dimensions L and V can be determined from Formulas numbered 2 and 3 for TYPE "M" arcs, which latter will be found at Figure 168 in Part 18 following. In both types, the reference letters are maintained identical.

FORMULAS FOR TYPE "C" ARCS, Figure 158. A Type "C" arc is a pointed and symmetrical combination of two simple segmentals centered anywhere on the spring line, as the Diagrams depict. Type "C" arcs comprise all the full Gothic shapesfrom "blunt" to "lancet," inclusive. And they are also employed in Moorish arches and domes. From the known half-span W, and the known or assumed height H, the unknown length of radius R is at once discovered by doing what Formula 1 tells you to do. Distances J and k will become dimensions by solving Formulas 2 and 3. The chord and rise of either one of the simple component arcs will likewise become known by means of Formulas 4 and 5. These latter dimensions are usable, at times, in determining the radii of tracery or foils occurring within the opening or along the intrados of a Gothic or Moorish arch. And Formula 6 materializes the height-dimension H, in case R and W are the fixed or assumed dimensions instead of H and W.

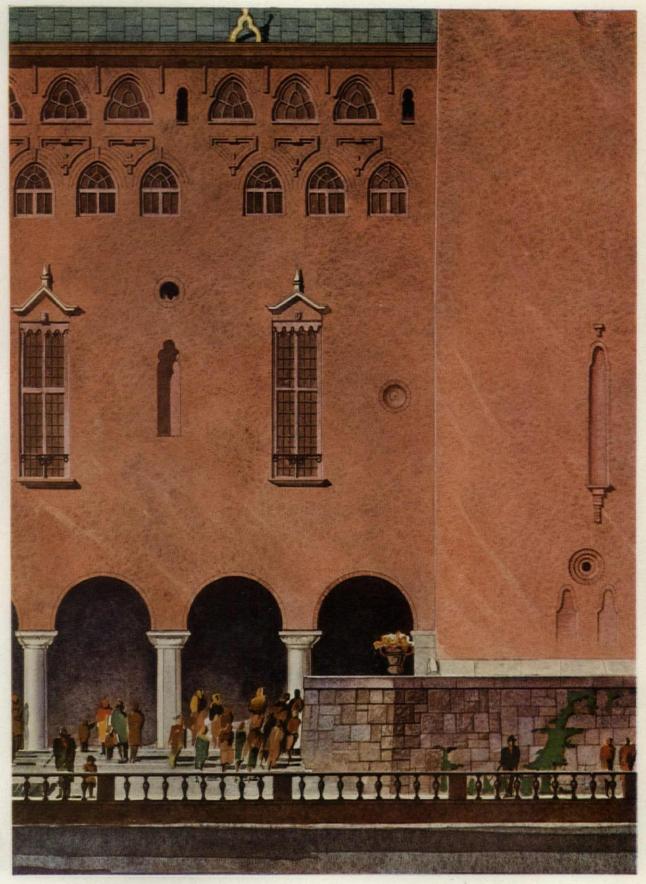
FORMULAS FOR TYPE "D" ARCS, Figure 158. Type "D" arcs are all the "Tudors"—their shapes are legion. They are also found in Moorish designs. These pointed and symmetrical arcs are compounded from four simple segmentals swung from three or four centers. The haunch arcs are always centered on the spring line, and the crown arcs are centered anywhere below the spring line. haunch and crown arcs meet tangentially, forming a smooth compound curve from spring line to point. The one case of a three-centered Type "D" arc has been illustrated at Diagram "6" of Figure 157; the opposite haunch arcs there being arcs of the same semicircle centered at the rectangular crossing of the spring line and axis. All other shapes of this type are four-centered. The Formulas given in Figure 158 for Type "D" arcs are, however, perfectly general, regardless of whether three or four centers are employed. Formulas 11 and 12 may be used directly in the rare 3-centered case. But, in other cases, the span, or half-span W, and the height H, are usually predetermined by structural considerations or by "design." Here, then, we have two unknown quantities to determine, the haunch radius and the crown radius, neither of which is dependent upon anything whatsoever except H, W, and—"looks." Mathematics becomes helpless to cope with such a situation. However, once either the one or the other of these radii becomes decided upon, then, undeniably, mathematics must assuredly be capable of determining the one unknown radius. Hence, the outline, say of the proposed arch, is first

tentatively sketched in; then altered one way or another until it looks like one you saw in a book on "English Manors"; then the crown arc is smoothed up with the compass by jockeying the center around until the instrumental arc fairly coincides with the sketched-in one. In other words, you-not mathematics-must determine the compass-center for the crown radius R. The length of this radius, and also the distance V, are then "scaled" and thereby established as known dimensions. Whence, Formulas 1 and 2 then yield the required unknown dimensions, L and r, that are dependent upon, and vary with, R and V. For a fixed span and height, to determine the dimensions of a four-centered Tudor arch in any other manner than that just given, leads into such a tangle of mathematics as to be utterly impractical. But, if some of you analytical "wizards" want to exercise your prowess, just derive a general formula for the crown radius, R, assuming H, W, r and V as "known" values. It's a "terror"-mile long. But, like a lot of other mathematical terrors, there is an exceedingly simple geometrical construction for subjugating it. I'll show you this in a later Part, for it will prove very convenient in establishing the proportions that "look right," and, from which, the crown radius R, and the distance V, can then be "scaled," as has been noted, for the purpose of determining all dimensions in an exact and simplified manner. Please take note, however, that the "scaling" process is not an approximation: it definitely establishes such-gotten dimensions as knownthat's all—and from which, the others are then made determinable by formula. Well, Formulas 1 and 2, herewith, have determined the length of the haunch radius r, and the distance L of the crown center below the spring line. These, with the ones already fixed, assumed or "scaled," are all that will ordinarily be required on the working plans. On occasion, however, it may become advisable to definitely locate the points of inflection by the rectangular dimensions A and B. These are given by the very simple Formulas 3 and 4. The over-all height J, in the case of an arch, and the keystone depth k, are yielded by Formulas 5 and 6. The two pairs of Formulas, 7, 8, and 9, 10, give the chord lengths and the heights of the simple component arcs making up the total compound and combined curves. And, finally, Formulas 11 and 12 will determine the distance L, and the height H, respectively, in case the other dimensions R, r, W, and V are given, assumed, or determined by scale.

## Figure 159:

Now let's see what kind of a draftsmatician you have become—or are!

Work out every "questioned" dimension so indicated on the various Diagrams of this Figure. They are all intensely practical and pertinent drafting-room problems in dimensioning. And they can all be readily solved by the information heretofore herein given. Determine the required dimensions to the nearest 32nd of an inch. Part 18, along with some more "geomathematics," contains all answers to the problems given in Figure 159.



DETAIL OF DRAWING BY CECIL C. BRIGGS OF STOCKHOLM CITY HALL REPRODUCED AT HALF ORIGINAL SIZE

# PENCIL POINTS SERIES of COLOR PLATES

This detail of the drawing by Gecil C. Briggs, Fellow in Architecture of the American Academy in Rome, shows something of the technique employed and also gives a better idea of some of the detail of the building. The quality of the settling washes is quite apparent, even at half the size of the original, and the careful draftsmanship throughout is evident.



TOWER OF CITY HALL, STOCKHOLM—RAGNAR OSTBERG, ARCHITECT FROM A DRAWING IN COLOR BY CECIL C. BRIGGS

PENCIL POINTS (July, 1931)

# PENCIL POINTS SERIES of COLOR PLATES

This plate shows a greatly reduced reproduction of a drawing in color made from accurate field notes by Gecil G. Briggs as a part of his study as Fellow of the American Academy in Rome. The original measures 46" x 80", so in order to give an adequate idea of the technique as well as of the whole composition it was necessary to reproduce a portion at a larger scale. This portion forms the other color plate in this issue. The drawing was made on white paper with washes of transparent water color over a complete preliminary line drawing in dilute ink.

# Impressions of Modern Architecture

# 3-The Advent of the New Manner in America

By William Ward Watkin

Editor's Note:—This is the concluding lecture of a series of three delivered by Professor Watkin last year at Rice Institute, Houston, Texas. The first and second appeared in the May and June issues. We recommend to all designers that they read the whole three lectures carefully for we feel that they furnish a sane and sound basis for the approach to the modern design problem. The illustrations are from black and white drawings by Claude E. Hooton. The lectures are published here by permission of the Rice Institute authorities.

e have traced the cause of the restive spirits in architecture through the nineteenth century, in their romantic movements and in their realistic movements; their storming of the established powers of classic tradition, which had assumed the right to honor; and we have found that in the Europe of today the modernists, armed with the logic and necessity resulting from post-war economy, have demanded the discard of the costly costume of the past and are substituting more and more clear, clean, refreshing design. For them there has been an architectural house-cleaning of a great and sweeping nature. New buildings are emerging free from ornament, bare of detail, but with greater romance and meaning in their composition and reaching toward a new beauty, which is within the appreciation of the people and in spirit with the new age.

What do we find on our own shores? What is the nature of the advent of the new manner?

Abroad it began in post-war housing needs and in relatively smaller buildings. It sought scientific application of the modern spirit to the dwellings of man. It offered better arranged, more comfortable, simpler interiors for the use of the people and in reaching maximum comfort within minimum expenditure, by means of more studied structure, it attained an increasing acceptance and popularity. With America the modern movement has practically left the housing field untouched. It appears with us, not gaining momentum from the lesser works upward, but from the greater works downward. As a new spirit in design, it is becoming known to us through the medium of the skyscraper, our most typical American building, and so downward through apartments, schools, hotels, department stores, club buildings, and occasional lesser buildings.

The reason for this we can reach with relative ease. For America the classical tradition of the Revolutionary and Post-Revolutionary days formed a background of conservatism and a natural trend for style and its refinements. Beginning as a vast continent devoid of artistic tradition, architecture was the first of the arts to have expression.

From the beginning we were to be grouped clearly among the conservatives. For us architecture was not

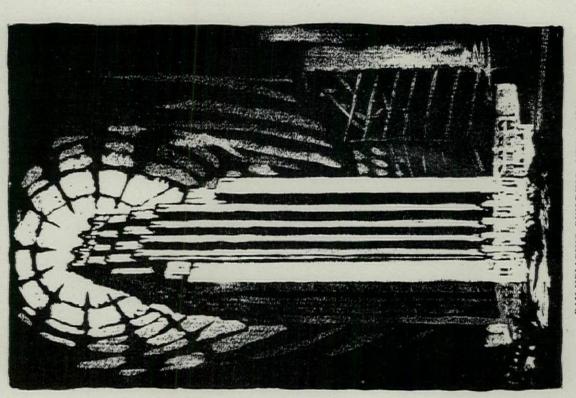
an inherent possession, with centuries of tradition behind it. The later Georgian, proud, self-assertive architecture of extreme formalism had come to our shores in the Colonial Period. Its expression had been accompanied by conscious pride and historic refinement. Its forms were planted upon the public consciousness in architecture, so far as we had consciousness in architecture in this country, and in every successive period the classical tradition extended the taste for an arranged, refining touch which permitted more and more the adaptation of that tradition to buildings of a new type, and finally to the growing architecture of steel and concrete and the accompanying mechanical powers.

The formula of our architects in their education and by their practice was the securing of an arranged solution to be composed from elements originally characteristic of the architecture of Rome and successively developed with decreasing power, through the Renaissance, and even more directly through the medium of the Ecole des Beaux Arts. A new civilization accompanied by vast development of industry and commerce, with vastly enlarged flexibility of structural elements, was growing toward an expression of buildings of great height and daring. These clearly indicated a more direct solution, a greater romance as well as a greater realism than the formula of the past provided. They clearly suggested new and vital design sensitive at once to the simplicity and the immensity of their nature. The old manner must become more liberal and seek the power of creative design, or give way to a new manner. I feel this was evident even to the most conservative, yet the nature of our tradition in architecture feared innovation and originality as the greatest of sins.

In spite of the works of the restive spirits in the Gothic revival of the middle of the nineteenth century, the romanticism of Richardson, the realism of Sullivan and Wright, and the mediævalism of the later Gothic group, the classical tradition continued to find ever increasing favor and to add more and more glory to our early twentieth century cities. The classical tradition came to monopolize the field of public and governmental buildings and to be the most united and powerful influence for the architectural future of America.



TYPICAL CONTEMPORARY CITY BUILDING SHOWING TENDENCY OF UNPLEASANT RECESSIONS



PAN-HELLENIC BUILDING, NEW YORK JOHN MEAD HOWELLS, ARCHITECT

With the close of the war, America faced no condition parallel with Europe in architecture. No rigid economy lay before us. Vaster wealth than we had ever known had been amassed. Vaster industrial development had arisen from the evidence of our power in war industries. The years of building cessation, in so rapidly growing a country, left more to be built than ever before within so short a period, and more wealth to be used in building it.

Under such demands for architectural service our architects found themselves in no situation similar to that of architects abroad. For the architects abroad petty building opportunity alone existed through which they might achieve worthy architectural position and distinction. Here the opportunities were vaster and more luxurious than ever before. Neither did we have to analyze structure for economy in new and simple methods and materials, and so arrive at new and satisfactory solutions. We had no similar experience in the interruption or change of social order and political structure. In other words, we might go on in our accepted manner more powerfully and with greater means at our disposal.

When vast amounts of architectural work are waiting the architect's service, there is not the inventiveness, resourcefulness, or intense analytical design, which more restricted and more difficult conditions provide. The tendency is a refined mediocrity. Therefore, modernism appeared only in a few modish importations of the futuristic style from abroad, and the modern movement in America after the war was negligible until certain studies in the interesting field of the sky-scraper began to appear, partly, as we shall see, as the result of the zoning law of New York, partly because of the evident advantage of simpler forms, and partly from designs reflected from foreign genius.

I suggested earlier, with reference to the restive spirits of design in our country, that we had not taken their spasmodic teachings and works very seriously, partly because as a people we took no architectural forms very seriously. Due to a spirit of eclecticism which prevailed among us, we have long chosen to adapt to our use works of the various nations and historic departments of those nations of Europe, as our own, without any feeling of guilt or unfitness. We have chosen from all history what we liked or wanted because it was historic, or appeared beautiful in its historic setting, and so we continued in the architecturally extravagant period which followed 1920.

From Florida and California, and through all inland cities, there spread contagious importations from the older cities of Europe influencing homes and shops and lesser public buildings after the manner of Venice, Spain, the Riviera, and Normandy, and the romantic farmhouses of Italy, France, and England. With them came antique and "modern antique" furniture, and industries relating to building found it to their advantage to reproduce tile floorings, roofing materials, imitation stone ornaments, linoleum rugs, and furniture imitative of the historic foreign materials. With such fascinating frolic for the public we could certainly

see no prospect of the modest scientific attitude of French solutions in severely plain concrete or the equally severe solutions of the simple brickwork of Holland and Germany. In addition we still have and probably shall have for a long while to come, an initial economy in frame structure as adapted to domestic work. This prevails so generally with us that masonry or reinforced concrete structure seldom occurs in its European sense. Even the most severe reinforced concrete studies of the French type would be more costly for us than wooden structure, cement or brickclad, consequently the manner of our domestic building is not directly required to change by reason of economy as was the case abroad. Any subsequent change which may appear in our domestic architecture will again come by choice and selection, and we should not at this time expect that such choice would be the severity which economy has occasioned abroad, nor that it would very shortly limit itself to a less abounding variety of form and color.

For our modernists the home will long remain an elusive problem. Such modern designs as have appeared bear the imprint of the modern French, seemingly sterile of beauty, yet retain the prevailing plan solution of the past two decades. Essential modernism, finding new and satisfying solutions in arrangement for comfort, economy, and studied minimum of both care and furniture, has not appeared in adequate architectural quality with beauty and charm which would develop a desirable popularity.

This will be a fascinating field for the genius of our advancing students of modernism.

Why should there be so marked an absence of unified criticism concerning this habit of choice that has instilled itself into the American domestic architecture? Are we to believe that, lacking sufficient mastery of the artistic possibilities within a normal development of form in so modest a problem, we are to accept the confusion resulting from the vast range of historic transplanting of humble foreign dwellings as the evidence of genius?

One cannot help wondering whether, when an era of sane economy comes, as it surely must come, we shall not see that a silly extravagance has existed and assisted in the creating of the confusion of our domestic architecture.

For the generation preceding ours a much more limited range of historic types prevailed and while the average excellence of design was no greater, at least a reasonable uniformity prevailed and the types more closely coincided in fitness with the climate into which they were transplanted. Since 1890 and more distinctly since the World War, the range of fantasy has been unequalled. Possibly the movie and its paper houses have been an influence in this direction. Because of this frolic in the "styles," our residential streets, unless richly grown with large trees, are seldom attractive, and our more desirable suburbs present a confusing architectural medley making a pitiful picture of our ability.

It is interesting to compare our position in this

matter with that of the people of Europe. This comparison appeared to me with great clearness while living in St. Jean-de-Luz in the Basque section of southern France near the border of Spain, in that section where the Pyrenees terminate at the Atlantic shore. The city is both ancient and modern, with historic monuments and with many recent villas of both French and English inhabitants. The characteristic architecture of the Basque section is clumsy, heavily marked still with half-timber type of structure used in conjunction with either stone or stucco. It is rather of over-formed and barbaric type; vastly different from the characteristic mediæval or Renaissance architecture of France. St. Jean-de-Luz lies some twenty miles by automobile from the Spanish boundary. The inhabitants of its villas are mostly people of wealth, who spend only part of the year there and, while there, enter into the Pyrenees and into Spain frequently. A motor trip into Spain and into the Pyrenees on the Spanish side or along the Atlantic coast of Spain is a distance of thirty or forty miles. There on the Spanish side are to be found quite exquisite simple architectural forms well suited to the hillsides and to the fishing villages, an architecture of the most elemental and pleasant appearance. Yet with this beautiful historic and artistic suggestion constantly before them, there is not in St. Jeande-Luz a single building in all of its modern work, or in any of its older work, that suggests the Spanish design. But the architects of distant America find great interest in this portion of Spain and bring back from travel exact details from the hill towns of the Spanish Pyrenees for rebuilding in California, Florida and west Texas. Economy in France would be in favor of the Spanish type as against the Basque, but some deeper, underlying principle seems to dominate their architectural sense, so different from the universal habit of choice which prevails in America. With them the imported note is at once foreign-with us the foreign note imported seems at home amid our confusion. It is clearly a sense of natural sensitiveness and good taste. In this matter of style, Dean Edgell, of Harvard College, in his book, American Architecture of Today, says: "Let no designer defend his work on the ground that it is historically correct. The proud owner who prides himself upon his Louis XV drawing room makes a fool, not only of himself, but of his architect; so long as he bases his satisfaction on the "stylistic" correctness of his room. The merit of modern architecture can never depend on its correctness with relation to the art of the past." The French critic, Le Corbusier, more vividly tells us "The 'styles' are a lie. Style is a unity of principle animating all the work of an epoch, the result of a state of mind which has its own special character." Certainly for us in America no unity of principle animates our design in homes.

Among the students of architecture of today, rather than among the architects, one can feel a rapidly growing understanding of American appreciation in which previous habits of choice will not continue indefinitely. The architectural student is more universally seeking logic and reason, and finding greater inspiration in the cleaner forms, freer from historic tradition, which are emerging from the architecture of great structure in this country.

I find, for instance, the student presenting his case for sanity in this manner. Imagine the problem of three clients, one with a preference for Georgian, a second preferring the Norman farmhouse, and a third distinctly in favor of the Spanish-all of these persons having a reasonable desire for uniformity and owning adjacent lots. The student takes the position that, using the same materials, designing all three houses in a true modern manner, devoid of all incongruous historic forms which would accent their difference, it is entirely possible, providing the architect understands the spirit of the building of the three types chosen by the three clients, to obtain in entirely modern design the character and fitness of each home to the true qualities which prevailed in each of those historic types; that these qualities are not truly dependent upon extravagant copying of historic carpentry or furniture but upon arrangement, light and shade, formal and informal grouping which repossess the meaning and spirit of each type. Under such solution true architecture comes into its own-is able to express rightly manners of living, and fitness takes precedence over confusion. Wider understanding of architecture and its meaning will be the natural outcome for the students of the new generation as a result of the modern movement.

Of modernism in domestic work at home, the leaders are very few. Frank Lloyd Wright has chosen to work in concrete forms, adapted to residential construction on a romantic scale. His houses in lower California are to be included clearly within the modern movement and are deserving of an important place. His Inness house at Los Angeles is developed from slabs of concrete, each impressed with a texture. The building is arranged in simplest cubic form, but sufficiently free to possess clear romance in design and impressive directness in the entire composition. He says of his work in 1928: "Gradually the law of gravitation has its way, even with the profession. Natural tendency in even so humble a thing as building material will gradually but eventually force the architect's hand and overcome professional resistance." In his Snowden house, also at Los Angeles, he has used the same material, but possibly with less desirable effect. It is a mass which appears less truthful in structural forms and less architectural in its effect. In his Larkin Building at Buffalo, New York, we have a modern solution equaling the logic of the modern abroad-an industrial building in an industrial neighborhood. simple, fortress-like on the exterior, it takes its light from an inner court excluding the dirt, noise and confusion of the street. Wright produces his design clearly, free from any historic style, with skillful analysis of the plan requirements of the building, and the whole is interpreted in simple material.

From the preponderance of architectural variety as it exists all through America in the buildings of a

domestic character, we may feel that the modern as a movement and as understood abroad has not made its advent here. Any universality of demand for simpler forms, scientific rather than picturesque arrangement, maximum comfort with less furniture, has not matured.

In the vast field of building that exists between domestic architecture and the typically American structure, the skyscraper, the same range of choice prevails as in domestic work. In the lesser of these buildings such as community stores, small churches, and buildings bordering on the domestic rather than the business zones, a wide selective range of style has increased since 1920 in the same proportion as it has among the residences. It is only when we come to the skyscraper that we can feel a newness, a modernism in American work, and feel an architectural truth being sought and showing evolution and development. We can well start, therefore, with the lofty building.

Denkmar Adler and Louis Sullivan designed the Chicago Auditorium, a purely masonry skyscraper. Some four years Sullivan developed the plans of this colossal undertaking. It appeared as a romanesque development from the art of Richardson with the enormous weight characteristic of masonry. Marvelous as evidence of the spirit of the growing city of Chicago, still it possessed the clumsiness of the overgrown.

It was immediately followed by Burnham and Root's Monadnock Building, an undertaking involving sixteen stories of masonry construction, and showing the determination of our designers for lofty structure even before structural steel had been developed.

Holabird and Roche, with the Tacoma Building in 1890, carried forward the spirit for lofty building with the first skyscraper designed in structural steel frame, and Sullivan again carried forward the expression of the new material in his Wainwright Building in St. Louis.

With the introduction of steel, curious elongated forms of frightful derivation from mediæval architecture appeared, to give a meaningless and curious romanticism. There also appeared buildings of frankly box-like nature, devoid of interest or architectural quality. The movement during the nineties and during the first decade of the present century held in the majority of cases to the "packing-box" form, relieving it with a curious implantation of Roman colonnades at the base, and Italian arcades at the top.

We might well compare two forms in two St. Louis buildings, which are examples of the diverging schools of thought.

The Wainwright Building, by Sullivan, is a very true contribution by that artist, with the sane analysis of steel columns and their continuity in vertical structure, together with the great binding together of the design in the terra cotta band at the top. In this design the forces which sought expression in structure are represented, and their improvement over the preceding forms is apparent. Compare with Sullivan's building the Boatmen's Bank Building of St. Louis, by Eames and Young, a building representing a spirit of classical tradition. This represents a type of building

which, with further refinement and study, attained greater acceptance than any other, as the type characteristic of the American office building. It was treated in a classical manner at the base with an unlimited succession of stories presented as an unbroken plane on which was a gridiron of windows; finally to be terminated by another colonnade in a somewhat classical manner. This design, however, carries the broad binding frieze so tragically heavy above the stubby piers of the upper stories, as if making a compromise in the direction of Sullivan's design.

With ever increasing refinement of detail the boxlike type of steel framed building continued a complacent course through the early years of the century before the coming of the Great War.

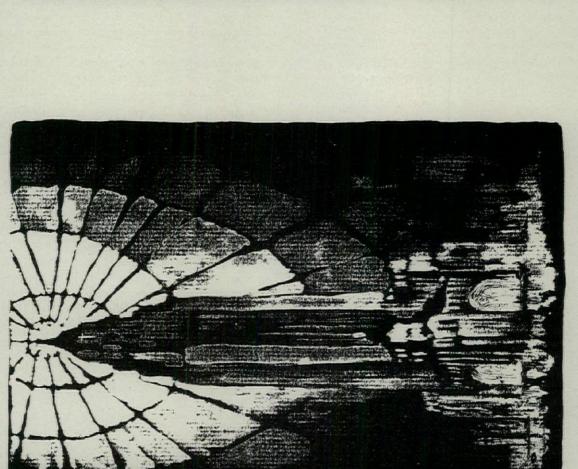
Here and there designs, lifting from the monotonous mass of the building a tower of merit, appeared, and the tower rather than the building became the object of interest.

During this period, Cass Gilbert, with his West Street Building for which a tower was originally planned, and with his Woolworth Building, achieved great beauty. In each of these designs the accent of the vertical steel is harmonious and pleasant; the architectural quality of excellent proportion is convincingly attained. While in detail a mediæval motif prevails, probably to entirely too marked a degree, the designs have symmetry and balance superior to those expressed in classical detail. The consistent dignity which we must feel to be a true attribute of towering buildings prevails, no flimsiness nor trash.

As the skyscrapers accumulated more and more in the congested area of Lower Manhattan Island, their frequency, close spacing, and divergence of form produced confusion rather than beauty, and only here and there along streets of a cavern-like nature were a few finer towers suggestive of the magnitude of structural effort involved in their building. The buildings were scarcely, as a whole, architectural. They were engineering beehives architecturally sheeted with confusing forms. Their divergent styles and distorted perspective caused an ugly rather than a beautiful city.

Two forces produced modernism for the skyscraper. The most architectural of these forces was the independence of genius in the type such as Goodhue suggested in the lofty design of the Nebraska State Capitol, giving lofty structure its meaning in American civilization, as the typical form which has found favor among us, and giving to lofty structure at the same time the advantage which it justly deserves of complete and unembarrassed perspective, a quality which it had not enjoyed in Lower Manhattan. Once the beauty of lofty structure pictured itself on the architect's imagination as separated from congestion and confusion, the lofty building became the characteristic monument of our time.

The second influence directing great volume of architectural effort into an entirely new form of steel structure came with the enactment of the zoning law in the City of New York in 1916. Probably no legislative enactment ever had as sweeping a reaction



BERTRAM GROSVENOR GOODHUE, ARCHITECT DESIGN FOR CONVOCATION BUILDING

upon architectural design as did the enactment of the zoning law, and certainly no such similar enactment produced as amazingly desirable a change. The purpose of the enactment of the New York law was to check the unlimited creation of deep, dark caverns, lined with buildings of great height into which sunlight could not penetrate. It was meant to reduce an already maximum traffic condition. The habit prior to the enactment of the zoning, or set-back, law had been to erect buildings, using every available square inch of space which the lot permitted and to such height as increasing structural knowledge allowed. resulted in buildings of small frontage, near to or adjoining each other, of varying designs and of varying heights, but all towering dizzily above the streets, and the streets were the streets of pigmies.

I think we can see that the development in America has been to bring the skyscraper to the attention of the American people as the distinctive architectural expression of our time, and realizing its opportunities for beauty, it no longer exists in the minds of the people as the accident of Lower Manhattan, where, as a colossus, it first came into being. It certainly is not an architectural solution, when spilling its thousands upon thousands of inhabitants upon streets laid out for threestory residential buildings and following either the lanes or the cow paths of an early city. The scale of the skyscraper is just coming into the consciousness of the American people, and the scale of the skyscraper is a scale of boulevards not less than two hundred feet in width, and of perspectives which permit the building to be identified in its entirety by the human eye at a level of five feet six inches above the sidewalk. Authors of the zoning law had in mind that the law would not alone prevent the continual vertical aspect of the city street, but would actually limit by reduction the amount of space in the buildings and so decrease rather than increase the traffic at the street level. The zoning law, as it prevails in New York and has been adopted in other cities, is based on a limitation of the vertical height of the building at the street line. This is usually about one and a half times the width of the street. From that level up, the building for a certain distance may follow an imaginary line after the manner of the side of a pyramid, and so create a setting back of the surface of the building in an architectural manner until it reaches a certain limit varying with the different laws and approximating a quarter of its area at the ground; at which point it may continue vertically as a tower to unlimited heights. The effect of this enactment was to bring about buildings having a geometric form quite different from the simple cube, characteristic of the buildings built prior to the set-back enactment.

The new buildings at once became of greater architectural interest. Geometric forms resulting were more pleasant to the eye. The handling of these geometric forms within the staid formalism of the classic tradition was less applicable; and buildings appeared in more plainness and at first in not entirely pleasing proportions. The tendency in the buildings taking

their form under the new law was toward tower buildings emerging from great geometric bases, quite rich in geometric forms near the ground. Such design had been suggested in the building proposed for the Episcopal Convocation by Bertram G. Goodhue. While his design, rising from the greater geometric mass as a base, was not one designed under the set-back law and did not carry that base to the limits permitted under such law, it was one of the great imaginative contributions to the dignity of lofty structure as it will be understood in America. The continuity of steel structure in slender ribbed-like treatment between the great corner masses was a poetic story of structural truthfulness controlled with true artistry, and the relation between such ribbed-like surface and the massive corner solids has been repeatedly used in recent buildings, though probably never as successfully as was indicated in Goodhue's dream-like design.

In comparison with Goodhue's conception of the steel structure between impinging stony masses, the Bush Tower of New York City gives us the steel design continuous over the surface in a manner that is stringy and of less convincing dignity.

The momentum of the set-back law created buildings rapidly assuming a telescopic character, that is to say, the excessive recession at the points of set-back gave the upper portion of the building an appearance of possible elongation or diminution within the lower drum. The perspective at the point of recession in these buildings became unpleasant, and it clearly violated the æsthetics to which we were accustomed, a reasonable continuity, as far as the eye is concerned, of the vertical support. It was perfectly logical as a steel structure that the inner columns could bear weight equal to or greater than that borne by the outer columns, and that their continuity within the lower structure was real, if not to the eye, at least to the reason, but the result was not completely successful in architecture.

We can compare this principle of the telescopic character of the buildings occurring under the set-back law with those which were not influenced by a similar law, as shown by the Tribune Building of Chicago, by Raymond Hood and John Mead Howells. building was the result of an international competition to build the most beautiful skyscraper in America, and was executed in accordance with the winning design. The popularity of the second design, that of Eliel Saarinen of Finland, was very great among the architects, and in substance it followed the ribbed-like structure of Goodhue's Convocation Building, flanked by simple masses on either side, but gracefully receding in like geometric form, in almost musical rhythm in the upper stages of the design. The Tribune Building suggests an excess of Gothic form near the top, to a degree which seems to take away from the exquisite nature of the great shaft of the tower.

The movement of the tower building, where not controlled under the set-back law, is more interesting in the design of John Mead Howells for the Pan-Hellenic House in New York. More modernism, as we tend to think of modernism, expressive of structure unadorned, of vertical continuity, exists in this design, and better still, the recession of the building near the top remains within a reasonable perspective devoid of telescopic feeling. The forms at the street level, while not intensely bare, are without great relief and have considerable likeness to equally modern foreign buildings. The forms near the top suggest in a terrifically powerful manner the vertical ascent which is characteristic of the entire structure. The windows seem to have lost rectangular dimension and to be continuous within the shadows of the great verticals which make up the building.

As compared with the beauty which prevails in the tower building free from the set-back requirements under its earlier solutions, one would feel that the set-back requirement had led to new invention, but not to greater beauty. The New York Telephone Building creates the sense of enormousness which modern structure attempts, but of an equal clumsiness and lack of pleasant relation in the geometric masses which compose it.

This naturally brings us back to the inherent conservatism and desire for purity of form which prevailed among our architects prior to the war and which represented our more outstanding architectural quality in greater buildings. Therefore, with relief, we turn to a building as distinct as that of the Savoy-Plaza Hotel of New York. We find here produced a building retaining the classical tradition designed primarily without emphasis of its structural form but with the artistic emphasis of beauty, a design in which a final romanticism is given in the towering roof resembling the chateaux of France even to the enormous chimney tops which terminate it. Throughout there is a refinement of proportion, a satisfactory expression of the vertical, and yet essentially a design in which the horizontal requirement of classicism is recognized and upheld. So we see the battle of the styles still waging and emphasizing, as always, the structural analysts of the modern, as compared with the advocates of form and beauty.

We may carry this battle with the adherents of romanticism even further, as expressed in Klauder's Cathedral of Learning for the University of Pittsburgh, in modified Gothic tower building, not restrained within the geometric exactness of either of the other two types, and seeking the adaptation of an historic motive derived from the architecture of the Middle Ages, exaggerated to a colossal height.

If there be a distinct tendency prevailing in the modern buildings of the new type in America, we can feel that that tendency is probably more unified at the present moment about designs which retain neither classical tradition in new adaptation nor the romantic mediæval tradition in the new type, but rather are bent on building up with freedom and with finer proportion, a recessive series of geometric forms of the utmost simplicity, ribbed in their steel-like nature from bottom to top, forming a simple vertical base for a great tower, the design of which retains its ribbed-

like steel nature, rising, without monotony, between well-proportioned masses at the corners; its final termination, whether abrupt or sustained by spire-like roofs, relieved of telescopic quality, and its persistent lift, from ground upward toward the clouds, uninterrupted.

There has been more recently a limited adaptation of the cantilever construction to the skyscraper, because of certain useful practical advantages which this system has produced in foreign examples. The possibility of using the cantilever as a refinement toward the control of the recession in the upper levels of lofty buildings, in my opinion has been neglected. Where now these recessions between base and tower, and in high geometric masses abutting the tower, are frequently without refinement and appear abrupt, the cantilever suggests more gradual recession, more beautifully arranged perspective, and more exquisite silhouette reflecting the sensitiveness to be expected in excellent design.

May we not with reason question whether the sky-scraper has not become really a problem the requirements of which are essentially fixed? Is there not after all an essential architectural unity in the frequent building of lofty structures composed of thousands of small cubicles, with the vertical circulation by elevators approaching standardization? Could we not expect more beautiful architecture if we accepted the modernists' view of perfection as requiring that "first we aim to set up standards" and then approach perfection by subjecting our competitive genius to the test of more and more refinement and beauty? Instead of so many small house competitions why not some in which the problem of a normal office building is definitely set up and competitive effort to produce beauty sought.

I question whether the most recent development of the skyscraper as a "stunt" of design is not much farther away from modernism than the gradual evolution of its design through the past twenty years.

I feel as I view the works done most recently in the name of the modern manner in New York City that the day of the modern may indeed be long delayed; that the rich meaning of the new thought is being lost amid the ill-shapen and grotesque. A popularity sufficient to allow experimentation with the new has prevailed before the sound spirit of the new manner has been sufficiently understood by the profession to permit a dignified series of buildings possessing the quality of architecture to arise. In place of such a series there have arisen colossals demanding attention from height and from bizarre material and ornament. For the moment at least, a sane judgment must give priority of architectural merit to the works of the classicists which preceded these modern monstrosities.

If these new works be modernism, then modernism would seem to fit solely that character of absurd technological exaggeration which has expressed itself in uscless and thoughtless overproduction throughout industrial lines. Quality, for which a popular advertisement assures us there is no substitute, has been clearly neglected. Architecture, as architecture, has

been abandoned either from ignorance or from purely wilful effort to attract attention, in contrast to what one finds to be the development in northern Europe—a daily progress toward a real architectural quality, clearer and cleaner—a measured development meeting classical restfulness with true taste, yet at the same time retaining romance, that gentle hand of the artist, rather than a sense of form or mechanical expression alone. America, perhaps, is too quickly bearing giants whose coarseness may sweep us back to a violent classicism ere the new manner can become truly known.

If this be true, another twenty years may pass before an acceptance of the new manner, as being truly of the architecture of the future, can come for us.

I feel that the students of today most overwhelmingly condemn and discard the bizarre, cheap, tinny structures which are being labelled modern. The students are seeking a cleanness of form, a refinement possessing consistent scale, and an architectural organism which expresses itself in an architectural manner. These men in their day will give us buildings in terms of an all-pervading beauty which we all eagerly await.

Modernism has appeared among our public buildings within reasonably conservative bounds. It has appeared as a more free interpretation of the geometry of building rather than an importation or development of a "style." Here and there in lesser buildings, some of relative importance, some of commonplace position, the new composition is apparent. The Library by Goodhue, at Los Angeles, in massive monolith, presents with vigorous shadows a building bold in proportion, but a contribution to the new vitality in design. Los Angeles has made to this modern work a great contribution of monolithic structure, both in concrete building and in steel building reflecting a concrete character. Churches by Allison and commercial buildings by Nimmons carry this quality. To a degree the concrete monolith has, in America, continued to associate itself with historic forms. Definite style-forms, simplified but retained as suitable to casting in concrete, have been used, and the freedom and impressiveness of a barer structure have not been realized to the same degree as they have been realized abroad.

Cass Gilbert, during the war, produced one of the most outstanding concrete designs in our history, in the Army Warehouse at Brooklyn. The design was so vigorous, so free of ornament, so distinctly excellent, that it deserved importance beyond the practical purposes of the building to which such architectural beauty was given. In recent works which have carried on the suggestions made in Gilbert's warehouse there have been an added richness of form, a useless accumulation of surface ornaments which have made similar buildings of more recent years throughout the country unpleasant in appearance and certainly unworthy of comparison with the splendid feeling of Gilbert's design.

In America, quite as in Europe, architectural publications have expanded vastly, and knowledge of each new building rapidly becomes the possession of the architects. There is much influence created by the

dissemination of these forms, but as yet the new manner is so little understood that only occasionally is an excellent design the basis of further study for beauty of contour and exquisiteness of proportion. The successive designs more often reappear in declining stages, less vigorous than the original.

The very recent competition for the Chicago War Memorial cast a favorable light upon the position of our architects toward the new manner. The choice was clearly one of excellent architecture. Without obligating us to the modern, a design of exquisite power, vigor, cleanliness, and freshness was chosen; one in which the traditional preference for the convincingly monumental merged with a modern divergence from the purely historic forms. The design, which was by Eric Gugler and Roger Bailey, who are of our modernists, possessed true architectural beauty. The nature of our modernism, when it comes, is evidently to be moderated by our conservative tradition.

Our examination, therefore, into the advent of modernism in America leads us to realize that it still lacks assurance and is a "style" from abroad. Here and there a shop front may reflect the futuristic character of France of 1924-25; here and there some fantastic composition of marble and aluminum may thrust its newness and conspicuousness in our faces. The nature of our domestic architecture is not approaching any serious modification from its eclectic trend.

This brings me to a picture of the future, as I see it, for American cities. Architecturally it is to be one of tower cities. The accident of Lower Manhattan which produced tall buildings in immediate proximity to each other developed a structural ingenuity adequate to the building of lofty skyscrapers. The beauty and inventive newness of solution resulting from isolation of the skyscraper silhouettes of dream-like quality are imprinting themselves on the mind of America.

Before the war Auguste Perret, distinguished French critic and modernist, looking with the perspective of a foreigner at the skyscrapers of America, said that the future city would be a city of towers and interpreted his meaning in the terms of the Paris he knew. For him the skyscraper meant this: that in a city like Paris, with its prevailing uniform building conditions limiting the height of buildings to seven stories at most, two of which were in the roof, a skyscraper of one block area and thirty to thirty-five stories high would permit the housing of all the people that at present were housed in an area of five blocks; that by housing in towers they would have clearer air and sunlight, with less noise and dirt, and greater economy; and that by converting the present city into such a city of towers there would be liberated four city blocks to each tower. These would in turn give great boulevards and fine parks. In other words, the city of towers would be a city of light, air, parks and recreation, exactly the reverse of the condition which Lower Manhattan had projected upon the world. Perret's vision was creative, architectural.

Le Corbusier has developed the picture created in Perret's fascinating phrase, "The City of Towers," and while lesser buildings are indicated as occupying part of the park spaces which Perret had considered essential to the plan of the city of the future, the tall buildings exist for Le Corbusier as free standing silhouettes, far enough apart to be clearly identified and on boulevards of three hundred feet in width.

Finally, Ferriss, in his Metropolis of Tomorrow, pictures likewise a city of towers. For him the future city plan will consist of boulevards placed half a mile apart in each direction. Between the grand boulevards will be streets of lesser width. There will be no skyscrapers except at the intersection of the grand boulevards, and there the skyscrapers, of base equivalent to two or four blocks, shall span the boulevards with great arches. All the intermediate territory on the grand boulevards and on the lesser streets shall have a uniform height of six stories, except as they approach within a block of the towers where they shall rise to slightly greater height, approximately nine stories, and the tower buildings shall be real tower buildings with heights which are limited according to engineers by the strength of elevator cable, and by financiers on the basis of economy of structure, and by hygienists on the comfort of the human ear drum. The position of the tower as rising over the intersection of two great boulevards where it may be seen in its silhouette, in a vast perspective, is the vision of Ferriss' plan. Probably in no case shall a city, within any reasonable time, meet the ideals of any of these great plans, yet the tendency has developed sufficiently well among the American people to appreciate the beauty of the skyscraper. That beauty still suffers to a vast extent by its close proximity to other similar buildings.

The identity of a tower building as a tower, visible from all four sides, is becoming pictured on the American mind and we may expect that the skyscraper, being typical of the greatest beauty of American architecture, will very naturally choose locations apart from congestion, where such permanent aspect of beauty may be maintained; that the skyscraper will become characteristic of American building, having a community or civic aspect, in masses not identified with the greed of commerce, business, or industry; and that these towers shall become civic centers of art, science, medicine and drama, and so forth. Thus there will gradually evolve, in accordance with natural tendency, a dispersion rather than concentration in American cities, and our cities will come into their maximum beauty.

Still in this optimistic vision is a word of regret. Our imagination rises to the romance of lofty buildings, yet we still see too little of the streets. Nowhere has modernism awakened for us the exhaustive architectural study, as it has at Helsingfors, of all aspects of the future city. Individual initiative may still wreck the work of masters, and individual wilfulness may continue to mar our skies with the grotesque, cast in forms to live for another century. Congestion and coldness of material mark the streets from which our buildings rise, and almost a revolution will be necessary for the restoration of space adequate for the beauty of tree-lined boulevards. The modernists, when their theories are generally understood and are practised with the guiding love of beauty, can prove for us the beauty and practicability of uniformity rather than confusion, but much that has been done poorly must give way before them.

We live in an age of accelerated development. No longer are centuries necessary to evolve types and perfect them. The skyscraper with its steel and concrete and elevators has only some forty years of history, still it overshadows all our architectural problems. That its development to exquisite beauty is assured, the accelerated progress of the past twenty years declares in undeniable terms. One can not look with doubt upon the future of American Architecture—even though there be moments of despair.

Finally, our conclusions as to the advent of modernism in America: from the conservatism which still seems to be in control in America, from the degree to which purely speculative solution is avoided, and from the marked acceptance with which meritorious design is received and advanced, we may safely welcome the modernist. More and more power, we may well wish, to those whose skill brings fresh solutions to our everwidening problems and opportunities, that they may interpret the living spirit of architecture. Whether our future be of gigantic forces of commerce and industry, corporate machines beyond the sensibilities of the individual, and whether such shall ever deny the individual's longing for beauty, we cannot say, but it is my impression that so long as the glory of Roman structure remains known to our architects, and so long as the monuments of the Middle Ages afford an emotional background for the romantic imagination, beauty in architecture will be repossessed in each successive century in new manner and with refreshed power.

The architect shall no longer work in the spirit of history but in the knowledge of its substance and by the zeal of creative research shall a new beauty come, crystalline, clean and with power to lift high the imagination.

### PENCIL POINTS FOR JULY, 1931



FROM A PENCIL AND CRAYON DRAWING BY LEOPOLD DE POSTELS OF THE DE POSTELS STUDIO AN IMAGINATIVE CONCEPTION OF A MODERN AMERICAN CITY AS LOOKED AT FROM ABOVE



FROM A LITHOGRAPH BY C. A. ALBRIZIO—"VENICE" Size of original,  $17\frac{1}{2}$ " x 23"

# Why is a Pentagon?

## By Ernest Irving Freese

'n Part 12, of my geometry series, published in the September, 1930, issue of Pencil Points, I "starred" an old friend of mine by the name of Pythagoras-a fellow that Joe Brahdy calls "pretty much on the square." He's also pretty much on the pentagon-Pythagoras, not Brahdy. Anyhow, it's no wonder that the 863,409,013 college geometries published since Euclid messed up the pentagon of Pythagoras, by giving priority to its progeny the decagon, 20-gon, 40-gon, etc., 'til they're all-gon, have apparently failed to get across the fact that the 2400-year-old Pythagorean construction of the pentagon can be easily proved to be mathematically exact merely by utilizing the properties of similar triangles coupled with the property of right-angled triangles by means of which Pythagoras, being pretty much on the square, proved that the rope-stretching construction-foreman of the Sphinx was also pretty much that way too. I admit this is of no consequence—to Pythagoras. But I promised Joe I'd clear up this "don't know" about the pentagon. So here goes.

The questioned construction is here reproduced at Diagram 1. I am to prove that it is mathematically exact. By the geometry of the case, the constructed side, S, of the pentagon, for a radius equalling unity, or 1, is seen to

become  $\sqrt{\frac{5-\sqrt{5}}{2}}$ . But, is this the exact length of a 72-degree chord? We shall see.

At Diagram 2: let D = the diameter of a circle; and S = a chord subtending a central angle of 72 degrees.

Then: S must be one side of an inscribed regular pentagon, because, by hypothesis, it subtends an arc equal to 1/5th of a circumference; and f=36 degrees, because an inscribed angle is always  $\frac{1}{2}$  the central angle subtended by the same chord; and g = 90 degrees, because it is the inscribed angle of a semicircle; and h = 54 degrees, because the sum of the interior angles of a plane triangle is 180 degrees.

Now let j = f = 36 degrees.

Then: K = L, and m = (h-j) = 18 degrees, and n = 180 degrees minus (g+m) = 72 degrees. Next let Q = K, and P = T.

Then: Q = L, and (P+T) = 2P, and u = m = 18degrees, and (u+m) = 36 degrees = f, and v = n =72 degrees = (u+h).

The above analysis thus discloses the fact that the two triangles whose sides are, respectively, the lines D, Q, (P+T+L) and the lines Q, (P+T), K, are similar and isosceles. Hence, by the law of linear proportionality of similar triangles:-

D:Q::Q:(P+T)

But, from the foregoing deductions, (P+T) = 2P, and Q = L = (D-2P).

So, by substitution of the equated values:-

$$D:(D-2P):(D-2P):2P$$

Now, let the radius equal unity, or 1. This makes D = 2. Whence, by further substitution and simplification:-

$$1:(1-P)::(1-P):P$$

From the above expression,  $P = (1-P)^2 = 3-\sqrt{5}$ 

Finally, in the right-angled triangle whose rectangular sides are P and S, and whose hypotenuse is Q:-

$$S^2 = Q^2 - P^2$$

But, since D = 2, Q becomes 2(1-P), and, therefore,  $Q^2 = 4(1-P)^2$ .

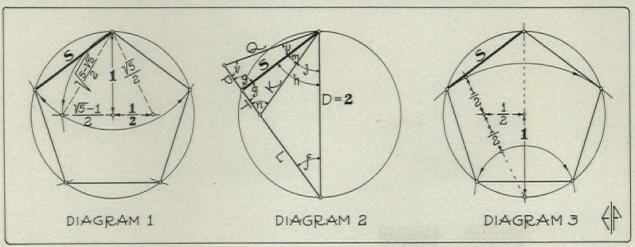
So, by substitution and reduction:-

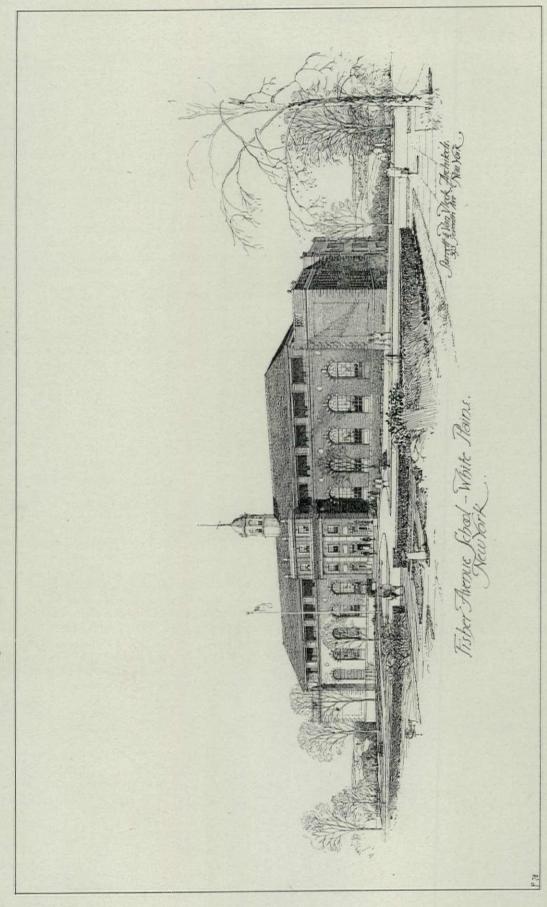
$$S^{2} = 4(1-P)^{2} - P^{2} = 4\left(\frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) - \left(\frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{2} = \frac{5-\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

Therefore,  $S = \sqrt{\frac{5-\sqrt{5}}{2}} =$  the exact length of a

72-degree chord or one side of a regular pentagon inscribed in a circle whose radius is 1. This is the same value arrived at by the questioned geometrical construction of Diagram 1. Ergo: the Pythagorean construction has been proved to be mathematically exact. Good night!

But wait a minute! Here's another way to construct a pentagon. It's even simpler than the Pythagorean construction. I think Gauss had a say-so about this one. Anyhow, it can be proved by the identical means I have used above. Diagram 3 shows you this one. Now you do it. And you'll discover that it's based on the same old saw that I have not even mentioned by name until now: the geometric saw that divides a line in median section, that is, in the "divine" ratio of the ancients.





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# How an Architectural Project is Carried On

### From the First Contact up to and Including Working Drawings

By Louis E. Jallade

Editor's Note:—This is one of a series of talks given before the Junior League of the New York Society of Architects once a month at the Murray Hill Hotel. They are given under the direction of Mr. Louis E. Jallade. Admission is free to draftsmen and architectural students. Subsequent talks will be on: "Supervision of the work in the field," "Technique of writing specifications," "Office administration and cost of producing drawings," "Selling and promoting of architectural services," "Selection of building materials," and "Legal questions pertaining to the architectural profession."

So that I may not lose direction in this talk I will say that, as far as the architect is concerned, every project divides itself into five parts.

First—Obtaining the commission. That means either selling or taking an order. (We have set aside a later session for a special talk on Selling.)

Second—Solving the Problem, which means making of studies, etc.

Third—Making the Executive Documents, including plans, specifications, bids, contractors, etc.

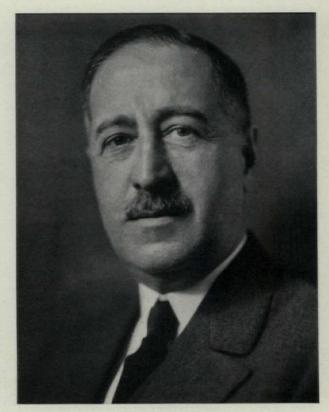
Fourth—Checking the actual building with the Executive Documents. (This means Superintendence.)

Fifth—The termination of the engagement. (This means final inspections, checking of bills, guarantees, and the final certificate.)

Using these five classes as a guide, we will take up the second part. (The first one—Salesmanship—is to be taken up in a special talk.)

We have the Owner's requirements—that is, what he thinks he wants in this building. It is now necessary for us to determine whether he really needs what he thinks he does, and if so in the form he thinks. This statement, whenever I have made it, has immediately started a discussion. Many architects believe the Program is the inspired word. We will forget the controversy for a moment, and follow along my line of thought. If you are successful enough to have an owner come to you and then have him tell you that he has bought or is about to buy a lot 20 x 30 feet at the intersection of the two most important thoroughfares in your town, and then he tells you that he wants to build an apartment house on this lot, common sense tells you right off the bat that he has started off on the wrong foot. Your sense of design tells you it is wrong for a client to ask for a California type of house in a Northern climate. I am not worried about such obvious contradictions.

I might illustrate this. A Building Committee in New England wanted a Community building with large social facilities and about fifty sleeping rooms, a large gymnasium, and a good-sized swimming pool. The building was for men and boys only. Now this building could be operated successfully only if it had an ample income from its bedrooms and games. It was very necessary that a careful analysis be made. A three-day study of the town demonstrated that there were ten women for every man employed; that the young men left the town whenever able to; that there was no place of amusement of any kind in the town except a theatre which functioned once a week.



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This survey demonstrated what was really needed was a women's building and not a men's building. We finally persuaded them to do this very thing and the building has been filled to capacity and pays well. The owner wanted something but his premise was wrong, and as the architect it was my duty to steer him right.

Of course, this is very controversial. There are some of you who will not get this point of view, ever. I know. I have had men who have been in my organization only a short time, who, when given a new job, would say, "give me the owner's requirements." It is the old school stuff. They ask for a program instead of asking what the actual conditions are.

To develop actual conditions means a definite brain effort. That may be why some people do not take to that very kindly. However, to develop actual conditions it is necessary to do as the physician does in examining a patient

for the first time. The patient has aches and pains. By some physicians these are relieved by dope or soft soap—by others, an X-ray of the teeth is taken which shows that the condition is brought on by an abscess of which the patient knew nothing. The advance in science and medicine is on the side of the man who X-rays rather than that of the one who purges and bleeds. You must X-ray the conditions before you can agree or disagree with the Owner as to what he thinks are his requirements.

As I am speaking, the question comes to your mind, "How can I afford to say to an owner that he is wrong?" In architecture the rent is barely paid by the "potboiler," but income and leisure are produced through repeat orders. Repeat orders do not come from clients who do not get the goods delivered properly.

If you and the Owner are guessing as to what the building should be—both guessing, differently, but nevertheless guessing—then your chances of hitting it right are one in a hundred thousand. However, a survey on your part to show whether a hospital, apartment house, or club should be of such and such a size will determine what is right. If the survey is carried on by you it will certainly attach a great deal more weight to your statement.

Do you think for one moment that the management of Childs' restaurants or of the Woolworth stores select their new locations by looking for "store to let" signs. They do not. They select towns and the locations in the towns by actual count of potential purchasers that pass a given point every day.

In making a survey we must find the "inside." It is something like a scientific analysis. What does the town need to bring about a certain result? What are the numbers and quality of the people who have this need? What might be the possible future growth of the town and adjoining communities under given conditions? take the case of Camden, New Jersey. Did Camden need a bridge to Philadelphia or did it not? A survey would have shown that the people of that city and the outlying districts did their minor shopping in Camden because it was difficult to get to Philadelphia. It meant changing trolley cars, taking a ferry, and then a Philadelphia subway to the shopping district. Would a Philadelphia-Camden bridge improve the retail business of Camden? Here is what happened. Since the bridge has been finished, automobile busses operated from the outlying districts now rush through Camden and over the Bridge for the same fare that it would have cost to get to the center of Camden, and the entire retail business which once stayed in Camden is now dispersed through Philadelphia. The news that there was to be a bridge was a signal for a real estate boom in Camden and a consequent building of hotels, office buildings, theatres, etc., all of which were based on a false hypothesis and all of which are now left high and dry. This is given for the purpose of showing what a

There is also the survey of existing buildings similar to the one you may have in mind. An intensified study of this type of building is necessary. It is here that the specialist excels. He knows from past experience how certain things react in this particular problem. Complex modern problems of life and a not too keen architectural training on the part of some architects make necessary the specialist. The specialist, in turn, destroys himself, but while he is going strong he does know the intimate requirements of that particular type of building. In order to accomplish approximately the same results as the specialist it would be necessary for the architect to be scientific-minded,

so he may know how to carry on a research in the particular field he happens to be touching.

Let me use as an illustration a building built some twenty years ago, an immense building. The architect had never designed one like that before and he placed the elevators without having made a thorough survey of what had been done elsewhere. The Owners became suspicious and brought in an experienced architect who, at a tremendous (but worth while) expense, changed the entire elevator layout—and the first architect lost his job.

There is much resistance against this research work. Unfortunately, many of our young men are not trained in this line of research. Then there is always the man who feels that this or that cannot be done because it has never been done before. This type of man is so immune to novelty that only death could pull him away. He usually says he can design a special building without any help; that all building problems are similar. He is the kind that starts a problem by designing the façade first and the plan last. If he attempted to dissect the problem he would probably not understand what it was all about anyway.

There is another important phase concerning actual conditions, and that is financial considerations. You may have a choice between several sites. It may be necessary to make sketches for these various sites, operating budgets and estimates of cost for each, so that one may be weighed against the other. If you come to your Owner and show him that his point of view, or his so-called "owner's requirements," are wrong, these indisputable facts presented to him in an impersonal way leave no room for ill feeling on his part.

The architect is not hired primarily to make a building beautiful. If he were, he would be a luxury and would have lost the important position that he now holds. An architect is employed to correlate and tie up the beautiful and the practical. He is the man of all men on that job who must know all things pertaining to the building. He must know building materials, how they are brought together; he must bring them together in good taste, giving the building a pleasant appearance; safeguard his client against fraud or negligence; see that bids do not exceed the appropriation, and, above all things, that his talents are not expended on a "white elephant." The wise architect will not tie himself up to a building preordained to failure.

It is better to forego a commission entirely and starve a while longer than to put up a building that is a financial failure. You may never live it down. It is better to tell a client that he should not build, even though you lose the job. Do not "kid him along" with the hope that you can get through with it.

This analysis of building conditions brings you to certain conclusions. You present these to the owner and you are then ready to jump to the next step, the "Making of Sketches." There is one point that I must bring out—our architects must learn to "use their brains more and their hands less." If you say to the average architect I am thinking of building so and so, he immediately begins to make a sketch with his pencil. The making of sketches should be the last thing to do. We, as architects, have belittled ourselves by being forever ready to turn to make as many sketches as the client might expresss a desire to see. A sketch is nothing more than the mechanical action necessary to put on paper what you have reasoned out in your mind.

A sketch is the easiest thing that an architect can make. It is the most difficult thing for the client to make, so that both attach to it unfair values. It is like a doctor's pre-

scription. It means nothing unless it follows a diagnosis. It is not the time that it takes to make sketches but the number of years that it has taken to prepare the mind in order to be able to make the sketch. Diagnose the subject aloud with your client. Do not make sketches. Sketches cost money, take your time and your draftsmen's time and form the one leakage in the office that is the most difficult to stop and is almost impossible to measure.

Do not show your client two sketches or more with the idea of showing him something from which he may choose. Show him several sketches when accompanied by operating or cost figures. Bear in mind that if your client is able to choose between several sets of "show sketches" then he is able to do a little more than you, because you have not yourself been able to choose. Arrive at your conclusion, be sure that your scheme is right, show him a sketch and sell him that. Tell your client the reason for showing him that one sketch; how you made numerous studies and sketches and your scientific way of arriving at a conclusion. Be sure you do this. Do not let him think you made one sketch and let it go at that. Set up your sketch like a proud mother shows off her newborn baby. Do not let a client rush you into getting out sketches like a machine turns out buttons. Do not hurry unnecessarily in getting out sketches. Everybody wants things right away. It is a habit. They even want things "yesterday." If you think you are impressing a client by leaving him at 5 o'clock and meeting him the next morning at 8 o'clock with a set of sketches that took you all night to make, you are mistaken. If you can turn out sketches so fast then thinks he they cannot be worth very much. You must tell your client that it will take just so much time to study and so many hours or days to make the sketches. If you beat that time by a few days it would be better for you to go out and play golf and present the sketches when you

The reverse of that is true if you say you will have sketches ready at a certain time. They must be ready on the minute.

Another thing, in presenting sketches to your client, do not slide over them as if they were nothing at all. They are actually the result of a lot of hard work. They represent many hours and weeks and years of study. they were so easy to make the owner would make them himself. Do not "throw" sketches at your client. Do not rush him. He does not know as much about planning as you do and on this point he is mentally slow. You must explain to him in a slow constructive way what these sketches mean. It is very important that the owner should know just exactly what these sketches call for. Do not start working drawings until the owner is absolutely sold on the scheme. Play square with him. He does not know as much about the plans as you do. Do not try to inveigle him into a condition of mind where he is hurried and then tells you to go ahead. Ask him whether he understands how you go from this room to that room; whether he understands that a room is a certain size and the ceiling height is so and so.

When this is all done and you are ready to start working drawings, do something of this kind. Say to your client, "Now we are crystallizing this scheme; we are going to make working drawings, steel, mechanical equipment and what not. Sketches are cheap compared with working drawings. If you make any changes in the working drawings after they are started, I will have to charge you for making changes." Make changes in sketches rather than in working drawings. Many of the disputes between the owner and the architect are caused by ignorance on

the part of the owner. He does not know the difference between a sketch and a working drawing. Architects have not sold that idea to the public. The average owner wants to play square with the architect but he does not know what square is. He does not know that he is doing the architect an injustice when he changes drawings and refuses to pay for them.

I have a habit of keeping a report of all meetings with the client. I will give you an example of part of one of these reports. This report saved me much embarrassment when this owner changed his mind after most of the drawings had been finished. At the time the sketches were finished we had a meeting with the owner. Minutes were made of this meeting and a copy was sent to the owner. In this meeting I said (and it was so recorded in the report of the meeting), "I want the approval of the scheme because the plans are being crystallized and it would cost the Committee money if the scheme were upset. In other words, we are now starting work on the final drawings, the sketch stage having passed." At a later date the Committee made a change. I called their attention to the report of this meeting and there was no question about it when I sent them my bill for making the change.

We are now about to start discussing working drawings. I have called this the making of the Executive Documents. Before these are started we must obtain certain definite information from the owner and public authorities. We must know the kind of electric current, the position of the sewer, the water gates, the lot lines and encroachments, and all of these things must be known before we start drawing. We then take our final sketches and send them to the mechanical and structural engineers for their preliminary studies, and our working drawings are started.

Now there comes a question which will probably never be answered—at what scale shall we make working drawings-eighth or quarter? I can only say that there are advantages in each, and the answer is dependent upon the type of the building. If it is a simple building, eighth will do, but then you will have to make more details, such as details for bathrooms, special rooms, etc., but that is unimportant for the purpose of our talk. But this is important-the question of what to show and what not to show on the drawings. You can put this down as a rule. THINGS SHOULD BE SHOWN OR CALLED FOR ONLY ONCE. We have three documents that go to the contractor-plans, details, and specifications. specifications should not contain anything shown on the drawings and the drawings should not contain anything mentioned in the specifications.

In 1904 we, in our office, devised and began to use a Schedule of Materials. First we put this on the plans. Then in order to save time we put it on a special sheet. This Schedule of Materials saved a tremendous amount of specification writing and notes on the plans. (I wish we had copyrighted the system.) This Schedule of Materials was later improved by other architects by adding to it a schedule of doors and windows and the custom has now become universal. While plans should be easily read and dimensions taken off quickly without additions or multiplications, at the same time nothing should be duplicated on a drawing. In other words, show things once only. Then you check only once and rub out only once. The question of making drawings in pencil or ink, on paper or cloth, etc., is a matter of personal taste. But let me say that the thing that sinks the accounts of an architect into the red is the overlapping of unnecessary drawings.

Specifications we will not treat here. That is to be a special subject which I will not even attempt to outline.

On the mechanical and structural work, this is about as far as you go if you have outside help—you must tell the engineers what you are trying to do. You must tell them to avoid exposed pipes, etc. Then you must take their plans and check them over so there are no surprises in the building. You must know that if a pipe line is shown three feet away from outer walls, that the steam fitter will put it in that way, even though there is a general note on the plans that all horizontal lines must be kept within six inches of the outer wall.

We have now reached what, next to the making of the preliminary drawings, is probably the most important item, and that is the checking of the documents. They must be checked to see that they agree exactly with your sketches approved by the owner. Bear in mind that you are probably suffering from a condition which is found in many offices, and that is the desire to improve design. It is not always an improvement, but the draftsmen, and even the architects, have a desire to put personality into a building. On top of that are such things as unforeseen steel, added space needed for mechanical equipment, and, sometimes, building law requirements. I have seen plans come out of a drafting room that were so foreign to my sketches that even I could not recognize them. You must establish a rule in the drafting room that nothing can be changed from the sketches without the head of the department knowing about it. This is the first item of checkingto see that the working drawings agree with the sketches. Sketches approved by the owner are important legal docu-

Then the plans must be checked with the engineers' drawings to see that the proper chases are provided and to see that furring and what not are taken care of for conduits and other things.

Then we must check the engineers' drawings to see that we have no girders running through the rooms; that the pipes can pass by the beams. There will be checking of shop drawings later, after the contract is let, and they are not to be overlooked by any means.

Let me tell you frankly that one of the most important functions in an architect's office is checking. There are two ways of checking—one where the checker sits on a high stool and waits for the plans to be brought to him. Then he draws rings around the mistakes or things he does not understand. Then there is the more intelligent constructive type of checking, which means checking the drawings as they are being made. An intelligent specification writer and checker or squad boss or the boss himself will be continuously traveling through the drafting room and checking things before they are crystallized. It is expensive to check later. It is expensive to find mistakes after they have been drawn, where they must be rubbed out in plans, elevations, and sections. Checking should be considered as a preventative medicine. "Catch them young."

We now come to superintendence—superintendence of work in the field. We will take that as a separate subject because it is a subject that should be separated from anything else. There are men who are primarily designers; others are superintendents. The superintendence is carried on outside of the office so let us treat it as outside of this talk and this topic will be taken up in a later lecture.

You will, of course, ask at the end of this talk what do we do with samples; how do we check them; how do we carry on our blueprint orders, etc., all of which would seem

to be general office practice that has to do with the method of studying a project but only indirectly. We are going to have a talk later on about office practice and office administration so do not let us bring that in here.

Let us now take up the fifth item which is the "Termination of the Engagement." We will assume that the plans and specifications are complete and correct; that the superintendence has been efficient; that we have issued our certificates for payments from time to time, and we now come to the final certificate. You must bear in mind that the issuance of the final certificate means just what it says—"the final certificate." You cannot get behind this unless you can prove fraud. There are no ifs and ands to a final certificate. Therefore, in a final certificate you are certifying that the building has been finished in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Now comes the question of extras and credits. Unless you have kept an accurate record by number and description of all credits and extras and unless they have been signed by the owner and builder and architect, you are in difficulties. You are now in a phase of bookkeeping. This phase of the work is particularly important, because you are now entering in a part of selling which we might call "after selling." In other words the building job is finished and we are getting into the hard luck stage. The switches may not switch, the hot water may not be hot, the roof may leak. The mystery and glamor of the whole new building adventure has gone by. Any unauthorized extras which the owner may have to pay for is going to help to develop a general feeling of irritation.

There is also the collection of the guarantees. You have stated in your specifications that the roof must be guaranteed; that the waterproofing must be tight and what not, and so you must now begin to gather in these guarantees, issued by the subcontractor and countersigned by the general contractor. (Bear in mind that the final inspection has been made.)

Then we must get receipted bills and evidences of payments to the subcontractors and material men. There must be no liens on the building. All of this has to do with the business administration of the office which will be covered in greater detail in a future talk.

Before closing, I want to say that you must continue to cultivate the interest of the client beyond the point of having delivered a job. Did you ever buy a piece of property and then question your judgment in buying it and after taking title to it be almost sorry that you bought it? Then, on top of that, the real estate agent calls you up and says he has an offer for the property amounting to a few thousand dollars more than you paid for it. Then, immediately, you brighten up and say that you would not take ten thousand dollars profit on that property. That is "after selling"— of a rather crude sort, of course. A finer and nicer type, as far as the architect is concerned, is to take your client through the building, show him where you have saved him money, the results you have accomplished, how much better the building is than he expected it to be; show him that he gets real hot water; talk about the design, the colors, the decorations; and then be on hand to remedy the first sign of trouble. Then visit the building the following month and then the following year. That is a type of "after selling" which the owner is not exactly entitled to but which is good business on the part of the architect.

## To Those Who Enter Competitions

By Richard H. Pretz

"Individuality is sacred"-Frank Lloyd Wright

For you who have awaited the announcement of awards in any one competition and felt discouraged when not placed in the respective judgment, shame on you! If you had arrived at your solution alone, that particular problem was seen through your eyes for the first time in the history of architecture. You were born to give the world a solution that had never been seen before; therefore, remain loyal to the integrity with which your problem was solved.

Your ability is stronger for the study given it—stronger without tradition. If you have expressed yourself, therein lies your strength; and conversely, your strength lies in your ability to criticise yourself. Your work becomes more perfect in proportion to your ability to improve each preceding endeavor. Your improvement will cultivate such fine attributes of character as common sense, courage, magnanimity. You will become judicious, and what you consider perfect today, you will improve tomorrow.

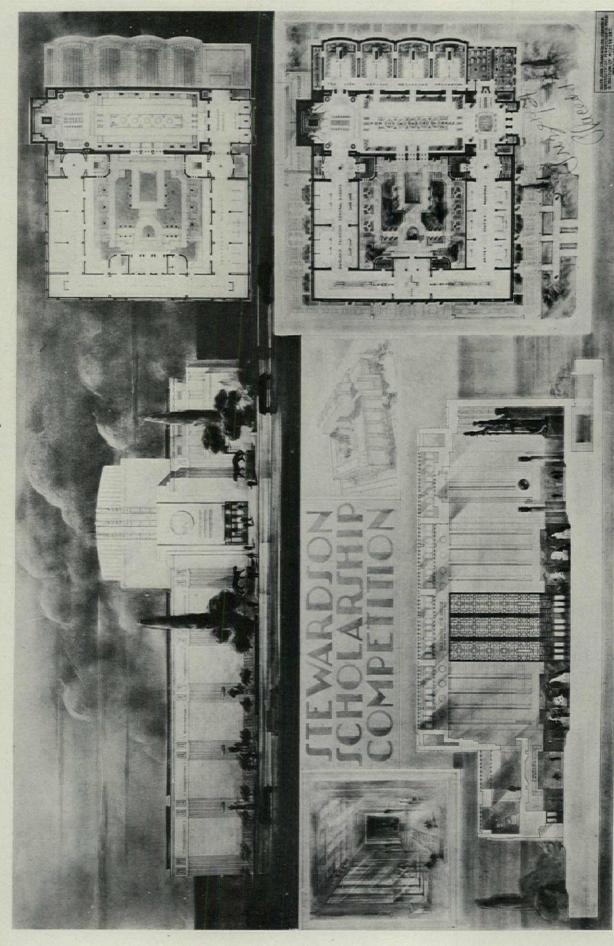
The man who practices to avoid criticism never says anything and, consequently, never does anything. He com-

promises, is lost in mediocrity and forgotten forever. Love for life wants a vigorous, virile, original character. A character to create and not alone to design. He must control himself for the best he can offer whether as an individual or a cog in some powerful, efficient, beautiful machine.

A competition is held because no two architects think alike, nor do any two of the jury. The first fallacy lies in the selection of this jury which, in order to be a criterion, is made up of kindred spirits, prejudiced in their associations. They go to work to agree, setting aside the worst and best of the works until a compromise is reached. So the average competition becomes nothing more than an average of averages. Perhaps more competitions have been won through the competitor's ability to know his jury than to design. I have often known competitions for study abroad to be tackled in just that light, and usually the men who did so have won. I know, for I have both won and lost competitions. More original thought has seemed to be crushed by critics than has been produced. Be fair and face the facts, give each new thought its due time and USE, Criterion of the Ages, will pass judgment.



FROM A PENCIL RENDERING BY HARRY LOCKLAND OF SEATTLE, WASHINGTON BUILDING FOR UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, BUREAU OF FISHERIES, SEATTLE John Graham, Architect



WINNING DESIGN FOR "A MUSEUM OF MODERN ART," BY ALLEN JOHN STRANG JOHN STEWARDSON SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION FOR 1931, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

#### STEWARDSON SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

The John Stewardson Memorial Scholarship in Architecture for 1931 has been awarded to Allen John Strang. The Scholarship, which is open to students of architecture in the State of Pennsylvania, provides \$1000 for the study of architecture abroad. The subject of the program was:

#### A MUSEUM OF MODERN ART

A citizen has bequeathed to the American Government a superb collection of sculptures, paintings, and prints, all of which are by contemporary artists. The Government, deeply appreciative of this fine gift, has decided to build a museum in the City of Washington, especially for the collection.

The new building will face the Mall, the splendid avenue that is to lead from the Capitol to the Washington Monument, and which will ultimately be lined with fine public buildings. The site selected is a level plot 300 feet square on the east side of this Mall, and is bounded on three sides by narrow streets.

The American Government desires in this building a fine example of the architecture of our own times. Situated at a conspicuous place in the national capital, it will, it is hoped, arrest the attention of thousands of visitors and awaken in them an enduring interest in contemporary art. At the same time it must be remembered that the building will form only a detail in a vast ensemble of buildings and that it must not be of such a character as to compete in interest with the works of art that it shelters. The primary purpose is to provide for these works of art agreeable approaches, quiet settings and the best possible lighting. Especially to be avoided are the monumental vestibules, the imposing porticoes and entrance courts, and the magnificent stairways (exterior or interior) that in most museums impose so heavy a penalty on the visitor.

Great attention should be given to the treatment of the ground around the building and it is expected that a small garden, enclosed or partly enclosed by the Museum, will furnish a fine example of the gardening art of the twentieth century.

Provide, on two floors:

- (a) Galleries for Sculpture: One large gallery (9000 square feet) and four smaller galleries (total 8000 square feet). The most important piece of sculpture is a heroic female figure in bronze, 35 feet high, entitled "The Spirit of America in 1917." This must be placed in a niche or recess. There are also four monumental pieces by Bourdelle and Mestrovic; twelve figure pieces (about life-size) in marble and bronze by Maillol, Epstein, Archipenko and Zorach; and fine collections of reliefs, portraits, small bronzes, terra cottas and medals.
- (b) Galleries for Paintings, divided as follows: France—6000 square feet; United States—4000 square feet; Central Europe—2000 square feet; England—2000 square feet.
- (c) Galleries for Prints: A collection of 5000 prints will be stored in the basement. These will be exhibited in rotation in three galleries (total 5000 square feet). Provide an elevator from the basement to a service room adjoining these galleries.
- (d) Galleries for Temporary Exhibits: Several galleries (total 8000 square feet) adapted for temporary exhibits of painting, sculpture, or the graphic arts. Receiving room and repair room adjoining.
- (e) OFFICES FOR THE DIRECTOR, THREE CURATORS, STAFF OF ASSISTANTS; STORE ROOMS, COAT ROOMS AND TOILETS.

  Mr. Strang's winning design is shown opposite.

Allen John Strang, the winner of the John Stewardson Memorial Scholarship, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Strang of Richland Center, Wisconsin. He entered the University of Pennsylvania in 1926 to pursue the course in architecture after a year of academic training at the University of Wisconsin. During the summer vacation periods while at school, he worked in the office of Law, Law, and Potter of Madison. Since his graduation last June he has been furthering his professional training in the office in Philadelphia of Harry Sternfeld, his professor of design while at the University and under whose criticism the final competition drawing was developed.

Mr. Strang is a member of the Chi Phi fraternity, The Architectural Society of the University, and Tau Sigma



ALLEN JOHN STRANG

Delta, honorary architectural fraternity. He was awarded the second Samuel Huckel, Jr., Prize in Architecture last year, and received a medal award on a collaborative problem sponsored by the American Academy in Rome. He was also a finalist in the 1930 Stewardson Competition.

Mr. Strang is greatly appreciative of the encouragement given by the members of the faculty of the University, especially that of Mr. Sternfeld whose sincerity in the teaching of design has been most inspiring.

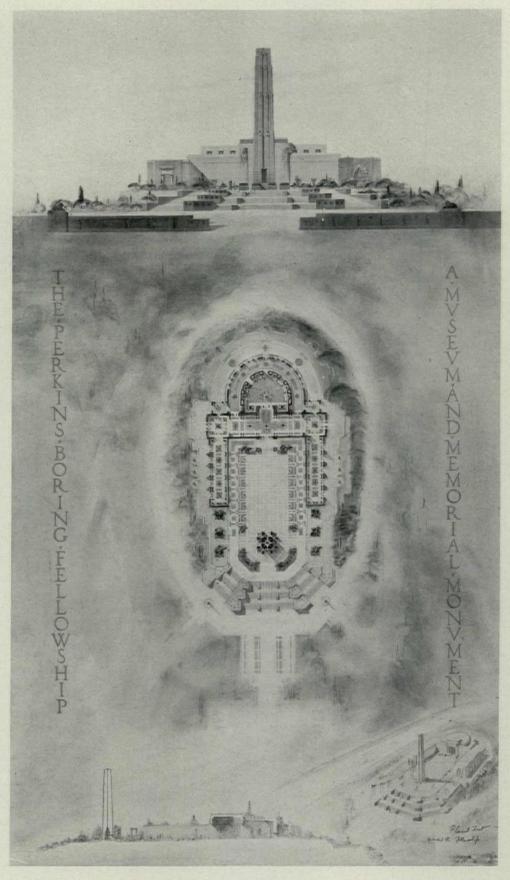
#### SPECIAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

We regret that owing to lack of space we are unable to present the winning designs in the Competition for the Special Student Scholarships for 1931-32 at the Harvard School of Architecture. The winners are J. Henderson Barr, of Birmingham, Michigan; Mario Joseph Ciampi, of San Francisco, California; and Joseph Earl Trudeau, of Los Angeles, California. Their winning drawings will be shown next month.

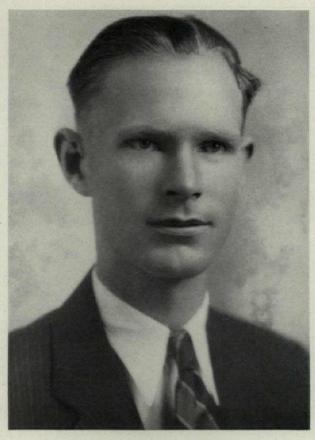
The Massachusetts Institute of Technology Special Student Scholarships have been awarded to Ernest J. Whelan, of East Boston, Mass., and John Fairfield, of Boston, Mass. The subject of the program for the competition was A Cooperative Market; the winning drawings will be presented in the August issue of Pencil Points.

#### NEW YORK UNIVERSITY HONORED

The Committee for the Award of the University Medal of the Groupe Americain, Société des Architectes Diplomés par le Gouvernement Français, has unanimously awarded the medal to New York University for the work submitted in the competitions of the Beaux-Arts Institute of Design during the past year.



WINNING DESIGN FOR "A MUSEUM AND MEMORIAL MONUMENT," BY LEON McMINN COMPETITION FOR THE PERKINS AND BORING FELLOWSHIP, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE



LEON McMINN

## THE PERKINS AND BORING FELLOWSHIP IN ARCHITECTURE AWARDED

The Perkins and Boring Fellowship in Architecture at Columbia University was open for competition to graduates of the School of Architecture of the classes of 1928, 1929, 1930, and prospective graduates of the Class of 1931. It was required that candidates be citizens of the United States.

The winner of this Fellowship receives a stipend of approximately \$1,785, and will be required to spend the period of his incumbency in foreign travel and study according to a program to be prepared by himself, under the approval of the President of the University and the Administrative Board of the School. The space of twelve months is fixed as the period of incumbency for the Traveling Fellowship of 1931-1932. The American Academy in Rome will act in an advisory capacity to the Fellow so appointed during his sojourn in Classic lands.

#### THE PROBLEM

It is proposed to build a Memorial Group—a monument and a museum of one or more buildings—on the property north of the old Billings estate. The land is in upper Manhattan, and has recently been acquired by the City of New York through the munificence of Mr. Rockefeller.

The plot is approximately 600' long x 300' to 400' wide, and generally oval in shape. The group is to be within this area, and may extend to the edge of the present roadway where necessary. The approach to the group is from the south. There are different levels of ground on the plot, and these may be treated as desired by the student, who may include arcades, colonnades, terraces, and statuary in the composition.

The museum is to contain chiefly antiquities of the romantic period of architecture and the exhibits will consist of statuary, architectural fragments, windows, chapels, fonts, altars, and similar objects. The style of the exhibit will be Gothic and Renaissance. The building is not to be in a pronounced historic style, such as Gothic, Romanesque, or Renaissance, but shall be of a type which will easily adapt itself to this problem and in such a way as not to clash with the style of the exhibits. It may reflect, in a symbolic way, the attitude of all the styles of the exhibits, or it may be entirely different from any ideas suggested by the exhibits. It shall be a background for the objects of art which are to be housed therein and placed outdoors in favorable positions.

The museum may be in one or more buildings, but, somewhere on the ground, it must afford a court, or partly enclosed space without roof, which can be used for large public gatherings such as a patriotic assembly on the Fourth of July. If desired, small interior courts for exhibitions may be included. The museum space required is from 50,000 to 60,000 sq. ft. of ground floor. Part of it is to have a clerestory, so that the furnishings of a church, such as windows, lamps, and rood-screen may be exhibited; other parts of it may be two stories high. Provision should be made for administration, public rest rooms, etc.

The memorial monument is to symbolize and honor the Spirit of America and the heroes of America, both of Peace and of War. The form of the architecture, the ornamentation, and the sculpture, are to be abstract and symbolic, without personal portraiture of any kind.

Leon McMinn was awarded the Fellowship at the judgment which took place in the Avery Library, Columbia University. L. Irwin Jones was second alternate in this competition.

The jury consisted of Ralph T. Walker, Archibold Brown, James Gamble Rogers, Robert J. Reiley, and James Kellum Smith. Members of the Staff of the School of Architecture were present at this judgment, but were not on the jury.

Leon McMinn received his degree of Bachelor of Architecture last June. His home is in Jacksonville, Texas. Mr. McMinn's winning design is shown opposite.

#### BOSTON ARCHITECTURAL CLUB

At the Annual Meeting of the Club, held on Tuesday evening, June 2nd, the following officers were elected: President, Isidor Richmond; Vice-President, Barton P. Jenks, Jr.; Treasurer, Charles G. Loring; Two Directors, Millard Burr Gulick and George R. Hooper. These officers were elected for two years.

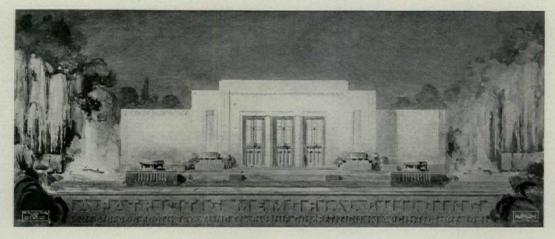
The Tech Scholarship, which entitles the winner to one year's free tuition, has been awarded to Ernest Whelan. Mr. Whelan is employed by the firm of Cram & Ferguson. He joined the Club in 1926 and has been a very active member in the classes conducted by the Club.

The Harvard Scholarship has been awarded to George S. Lewis who is employed by the firm of Maginnis & Walsh. Mr. Lewis joined the Club in 1926 and has been an active member in the classes as well as serving on various committees.

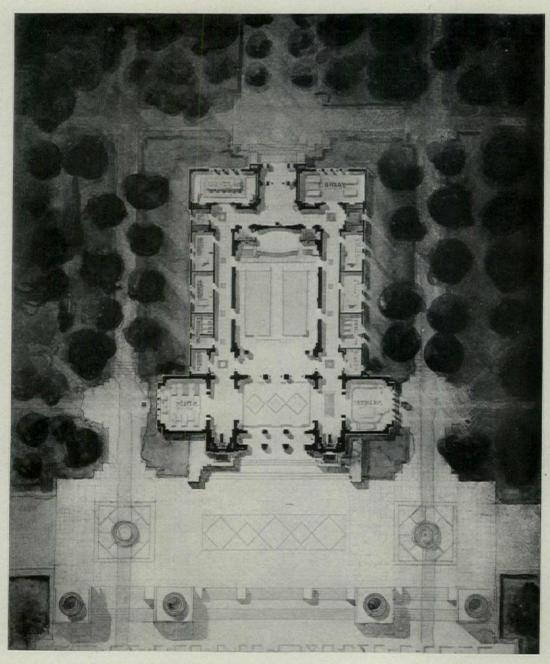
At a meeting of the Atelier of the Club held on Tuesday, May 26th, the following officers were elected for the coming year: Massier, Russell H. Brown; Sous Massier, George S. Lewis; Treasurer, Joseph DiStefano, Jr.; Scribe, Robert Minot.

#### WALKING COMPANION WANTED

Dexter Morand, 19 Vivian Avenue, Wembley, Middx., England, is planning a walking trip through Kent some time this summer with the object of gathering data for a book on the county. He would like to hear from any of our readers who would be interested in a leisurely ramble having for its object the study of the smaller buildings.



ELEVATION



PLAN OF WINNING DESIGN FOR "A PATRIOTIC MEMORIAL," BY LORNE E. MARSHALL COMPETITION FOR THE GEORGE G. BOOTH FELLOWSHIP, 1931—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

#### FREESE'S CORNER

Editor's Note: - As announced last month, Ernest Irving Freese will answer one inquiry a month on problems involving geometry or mathematics that have practical value to the draftsman or in one way or another to drafting room work.

Address your problem to Freese's Corner, Pencil Points, 419 Fourth Avenue, New York.

Smatter? Can't you think when you're not working? Or does thinking interfere with working?

Anyhow, the "go" signal is wide open on this particular corner . . . awaiting the clang of the ambulance. Some one has died of fright. To relieve the "depression" still further, I'm asking you to pull the trigger on the following five-shooter. One of my letter-writing admirers calls this "Kindergarten Stuff" . . . . so it may not prove effective: just five simple queries picked from Part 1 of the "Geometry," published in the August, 1929, issue of PENCIL POINTS. Put an ad in The Mart. Maybe some one has two copies.

1: A bay window is desired whose shape shall be a five-sided segment of a regular octagon. The allotted width of same is laid off on the line of the wall from which the bay springs. Can you draw the correct plan of this five-sided bay directly in its appointed place using neither scale nor compass?

2: The roof of the above bay is 12:12 pitch. Can you name the triangle whose hypotenuse will at once

place the intermediate hip lines in elevation?

3: The span of a gambrel roof is laid off on the board. Can you immediately establish the architecturally-correct shape of this gable, and the properly-proportioned eave overhang, and the compass centers for the roof sweeps, with the T-square and one triangle?

4: Can you unhesitatingly divide a quadrant arc into six equal parts with the T-square and two triangles?

5: Can you exactly divide any rectangular line on the board into three equal parts with the T-square and one triangle?

Shoot!

#### RESOLUTION OF THE INDIANA SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS IN REGARD TO ADVERTISING OF BUILDING MATERIALS

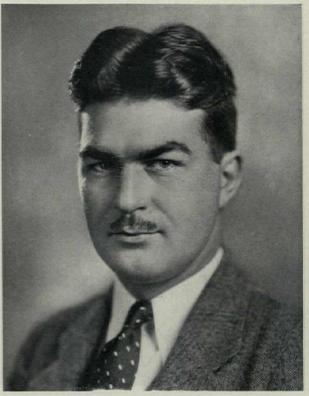
Believing that economy in construction, convenience of arrangement and attractiveness in design can best be secured for any building, large or small, by having it planned by an experienced architect, therefore be it

"That the Indiana Society of Architects questions the value of the advertising of building materials in newspapers, magazines, or other mediums that include with the advertisement illustrations and descriptions of poorly designed work not executed by Architects.

"In the opinion of the Society the publication of stock plans and illustrations of poorly designed buildings in connection with the advertising of worthy building materials leaves a false impression in the minds of the public as to the quality of the materials, is misleading as to what constitutes good design, and should be discontinued."

#### THE CINCINNATI ARCHITECTURAL SOCIETY

he winter activities of the Society were brought to a close the end of May by the annual baseball game, followed by a dinner. Architects and draftsmen alike declared a holiday and a good time was had by all. The weekly life drawing class will continue throughout the summer.



LORNE E. MARSHALL

#### GEORGE G. BOOTH FELLOWSHIP AWARDED

he problem this year was a memorial building to house an auditorium, a museum, a library, and offices suitable for units of The American Legion, Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution, and Red Cross. Only two weeks were allowed for this competition, the students working without criticism. The work of the first week was carried on during the spring recess; the second week the regular classes outside of design had to be attended.

The stipend of the fellowship is \$1200, and the competition is open to all graduates of the College of Architecture, University of Michigan, who are not yet thirty years of age. Seniors who expected to graduate in June were also admitted. Eighteen designs were submitted this year, five of these from graduates now residing in various parts of the United States and one who is now a resident of Paris.

The winner this year is Lorne E. Marshall, a native of Strathmore, Province of Quebec, Canada, who graduated last month. The award was made to Mr. Marshall largely on his plan. William B. Wiener, of Shreveport, Louisiana, who graduated in 1929, was a close second.

The jury this year consisted of the following: B. V. Gamber, President of the Detroit Chapter, American Institute of Architects; Amadeo Leone, of Smith, Hinchman & Grylls, Architects and Engineers; Herbert G. Wenzell, of George D. Mason & Company, Architects; Raymond Carey, Architect; Claire W. Ditchy, Architect-all of Detroit—and five members of the faculty of the College of Architecture. The winning design is shown opposite.

#### A CORRECTION

It has been called to our attention that the caption, "The Old Mint, New Orleans," printed beneath the reproduction of Edward M. Schiwetz' lithograph, on page 365 of the May issue, is incorrect. This should have read, "The Old Arsenal, New Orleans."

BUSINESS MEN'S ART CLUB OF NEW YORK

We take pleasure in bringing this new and flourishing organization to the attention of our readers on account of the facilities it offers in the pursuit of the various kinds of sketching which we have always believed to be a tremendously valuable part of the draftsman's training. Membership is open to architects and drafts-

men over thirty years of age.

The dues for the balance of this year are \$7.50, and an initiation fee of \$5.00. For this members are entitled to (a) the use of the Club's large studio with all facilities on the 37th floor of the Barbizon-Plaza; (b) a meeting every Thursday night where a model is furnished; (c) a monthly meeting (generally on a Monday night) when there is a talk by some well known artist or speaker or some well known artist will actually paint and finish a picture for instruction; (d) criticism every meeting night, of anything you care to bring in, by a well known artist; and (e) as an extra curricular activity every Tuesday night special painting and drawing class from life under the instruction of Mr. Edward Dufner. For this the Club collects an extra fee of \$2.00 per lesson.

In addition to all the above the Club holds an annual two weeks' exhibit of its members' works, furnishing the

space, the catalogues, and the publicity.

For further information address the president, Conrad A. Dieterich, 40 West 40th St., New York.

#### AWARDS ANNOUNCED FOR 1930 BRIDGES

The Washington Avenue Bridge in Chicago and the Delton Bridge in Sauk County, Wisconsin, have been judged to be the most beautiful bridges of their classes built in 1930 in the United States and Canada. They will consequently be decorated this fall with bronze plaques by the American Institute of Steel Construction. A jury of architects and engineers, acting for the Institute, has just announced its decision.

The Washington Avenue Bridge is a bascule bridge over the Chicago River which cost \$1,750,000, and is owned by the Department of Public Works of Chicago. It was designed by Thomas G. Pihlfeldt, engineer of bridges, and fabricated by the American Bridge Company. The bridge span is 239 feet and the roadway 90 feet wide. It was selected by the jury as a most pleasing solution of a most difficult bridge design problem. The award was made in that class of large bridges costing over \$1,000,000 to erect, of which there were a number during the past calendar year. Honorable mention in this class was given to the Mid-Hudson Bridge at Poughkeepsie, New York, a suspension bridge designed by Ralph Modjeski and Daniel Moran for the State of New York, and likewise erected by the American Bridge Company. Second honorable mention was awarded to the Montreal Harbour Bridge, fabricated by the Dominion Bridge Company, Ltd., for the Harbour Commissioners of Montreal. This is a cantilever bridge designed by Monsarrat & Pratley, Montreal.

The jury exercised its prerogative in deciding not to make awards in Class B because no entrant of sufficient merit was recorded. This class included bridges costing between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000 to erect. Of those bridges costing less than \$500,000, grouped in Class C, the steel arch highway bridge at Delton, Sauk County, Wisconsin, was selected as the most beautiful. This bridge cost approximately \$54,000. It was designed by the Wisconsin State Highway Commission and fabricated by the Lakeside Bridge & Steel Company. It is an arch bridge having two spans of 218 feet 10 inches each, and carrying a roadway 27 feet wide. Honorable mention in

this class was awarded to the Lachine Bridge across the Lachine Canal at 18th Avenue, Lachine, Canada. This bridge cost but \$3,100 to erect. It was designed by R. Dorion, City Engineer, and fabricated by the Dominion Bridge Company, Ltd. The bridge is but 47 feet in span and has a roadway of 14 feet clear with two sidewalks.

The jury making the selection consisted of Francis Lee Stuart, Consulting Engineer, President of the American Society of Civil Engineers; Robert D. Kohn, Architect, President of the American Institute of Architects; Frederick L. Ackerman, Architect; Dr. William H. Burr, Consulting Engineer; and B. F. Betts, Editor of *The American Architect*. The bridges selected as the most beautiful in their respective classes will be decorated with bronze plaques by the Institute, and the engineers, architects, and builders will receive special diplomas.

#### BROOKLYN CHAPTER A.I.A.

The Brooklyn Chapter, American Institute of Architects, held its annual meeting at the Crescent Athletic Club, Brooklyn, Monday, the 25th of May, and awarded prizes in competition of its student affiliates in the sixth annual competition calling for A Parkway Bridge. First prize, \$75, was awarded to Robert Hillier; second prize, \$50, to Robt. Edwards; third prize, \$25, to Ham. Reese.

Frederick Amundsen won the Chapter's \$50 scholarship award for upper classmen in the department of architecture of Pratt Institute for his execution of A Gas Filling Station. First honorable mention was won by Hamilton Reese. Lester B. Pope, chairman of the education committee of the Chapter and instructor of Pratt Institute, made the presentations.

During the annual reports of officers and committees the membership committee reported a present membership

of 102, exceeding last year's number by nine.

The officers re-elected were Charles C. Wagner, president; Wm. A. Sanders, vice president; George F. Kiess, secretary; Herbert C. Bowman, treasurer; Ralph M. Rice, surveyor. Board of Directors was elected as follows: Adolph Goldberg, for one year; Stephen W. Dodge, Lester B. Pope, and Robert F. Schirmer, for two years.

The A.I.A. 1932 convention delegates include: Charles C. Wagner, William P. Bannister, William A. Sanders, J. Monroe Hewlett, and John B. Slee; the alternates: Alexander Mackintosh, Herbert C. Bowman, Daniel D. Streeter, John P. Voelker, and George Francis Kiess.

James C. Beaudreau, director of Pratt Institute, and H. R. Dowswell of Shreve, Lamb & Harmon, architects of the Empire State Building, were the speakers.

#### LONG BEACH CLUB GIVES HONOR AWARDS

The Long Beach [California] Architectural Club, desiring to encourage the appreciation of Architecture in Long Beach, by publicly recognizing exceptional architectural merit in any building executed by a Long Beach Architect, has established a series of awards to those by whose ability, skill and cooperation such works were created. The awards shall be known as the Honor Awards of the Long Beach Architectural Club and will be classified as follows: Section 1. Dwellings; Section 2. Apartments and Hotels; Section 3. Public Buildings; Section 4. Commercial Buildings; Section 5. Miscellaneous Buildings; Section 6. Landscape Work.

At the time we go to press the awards have not been announced, but the information will be made public the first part of this month. Anyone interested further may write to Natt Piper, Chairman of the Award Committee,

441 East First Street, Long Beach, California.



ALLEN H. STEM

1856-1931

Allen H. Stem died on May 19th, at St. Paul, Minn., after an illness of three weeks.

Mr. Stem's best known work was his part in the designing of the Grand Central Terminal in New York. He also designed the St. Paul Auditorium, the Hotel St. Paul, the St. Paul Athletic Club, the medical buildings at the University of Minnesota, the Denver Auditorium and the Michigan City (Ind.) Library. He designed the important passenger terminals of other railroad lines and monuments of his work extend from New York to Seattle.

Mr. Stem lived at Dellwood, White Bear Lake. He was a member of the Minnesota, the Town and Country and White Bear Yacht Clubs. He was born in Van Wert, Ohio, and attended the public schools there. Later he studied at the Indianapolis Art School. He formed a partnership with J. H. Stern in Indianapolis in 1880, which lasted four years until Mr. Stem moved to St. Paul.

For thirty years Allen H. Stem was a partner of the late Charles A. Reed in the architectural firm of Reed & Stem. Mr. Reed died in 1911, before the completion of the Grand Central Terminal, in the designing of which Reed & Stem collaborated with Warren & Wetmore. The firms also collaborated in the design of the Hotel Biltmore.

Mr. Reed was executive head of the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad Company Architects, which designed the station. At the opening of the station in 1913 Warren & Wetmore were given credit for the broad out-lines of design and general æsthetic treatment and Reed & Stem for the "engineer-architect" feature of the vast work.

More than 100 railroad stations were designed by Reed & Stem, including stations in Norfolk, Va., Detroit, and Utica, N. Y. Among the roads for which they designed stations were the Great Northern, the Northern Pacific, Great Western, Michigan Central and Norfolk & Western.

#### A LETTER FROM H. L. WITHINGTON

Editor's Note:—Mr. Withington is the Manager of Sales Promotion of the Armstrong Cork Co. Architects and builders wishing to comment on Mr. Withington's letter may address him in care of PENCIL POINTS or at his company's office at Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

he writer has just finished reading with great interest in your current issue the symposium in which architects and building material producers discuss their mutual problems. It was noted that only one contributor mentioned the permanent architectural and building material exhibits which are now organized and in operation in many of the larger cities; in particular the Architects' Samples Corporation of New York, 'The Home in the Sky' Exhibit in Cleveland, and the Architects' Building Material Exhibit in Indianapolis.

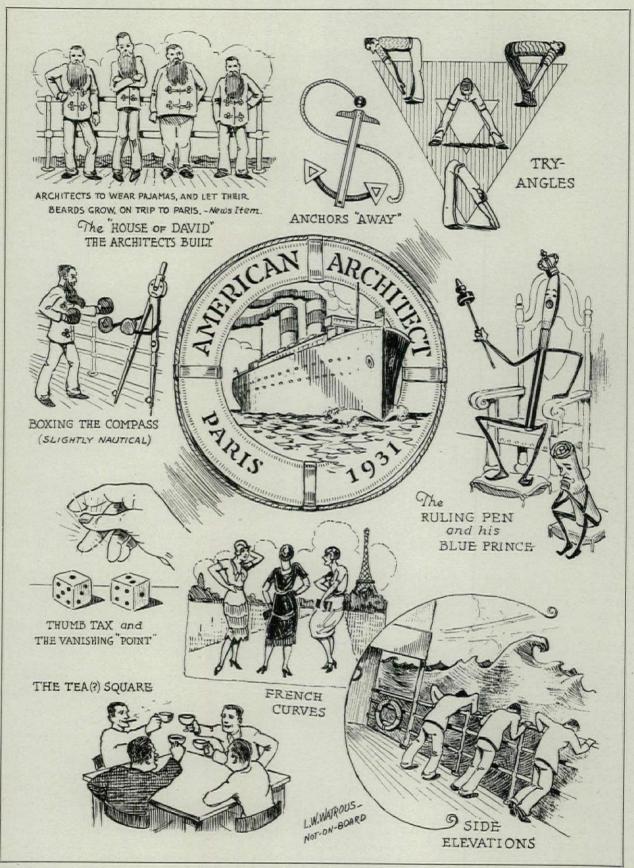
"We believe that a great many manufacturers of building material would like to know just what the attitude of architects and builders is toward these permanent exhibits. In particular, we would find it helpful to know to what extent the average architect attends—with or without a client—such a building material exhibit, whether he prefers such an exhibit to regular promotion calls by the manufacturers' salesmen, and whether or not the architect learns enough about the manufacture, installation and uses of the products from his attendance at such exhibits to make the time he spends there worth while.

"Since these building material exhibits are being developed and put into operation in more and more cities throughout the country, we believe that an answer to these questions would be extremely helpful to all building material producers in their desires and efforts to render the right kind of service to the architectural profession. Whatever action you wish to take upon this suggestion and whatever information your publication can secure on this subject will be greatly appreciated."

#### TAU SIGMA DELTA HONORARY FRATERNITY INSTALLS NEW CHAPTERS

he Lambda Chapter of Tau Sigma Delta Honorary Fraternity in Architecture and Allied Arts was installed on June 3rd, 1931, at the School of Architecture at University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California. The Charter membership consists of three Honorary Faculty Members, Professors Arthur Clason Weatherhead, Dean; Verle Lincoln Annis; Charles Raimond Johnson; and Five Senior Members: Thornton Montaigne Abell, Christian Eberle Choate, John Francis Meehan, Stanley Leroy Melone, and Walter Harry Tyler; and four Junior Members: Boris Robert Leven, Richard Nye Merrill, Jr., Albert Nozaki, and Edward Suyemitsu Okubo. The installation took place at the Student Union and several alumni members of the Fraternity from other universities assisted Past-Grand Master Gilbert Stanley Underwood, Architect, in carrying out the ceremony.

The Mu Chapter of Tau Sigma Delta Honorary Fraternity in Architecture and Allied Arts was installed at the Department of Architecture at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas, on May the 29th, 1931. The Charter membership consists of the Professors, Goldwin Goldsmith, Chairman, Department of Architecture, and Walter Thomas Rolfe; and Four Senior Members: Robert Logan Knapp, Richard S. Rowe, Lily Rush Walker, Walter Harris, Jr.; and five Junior Members: Miriam E. Storrs, Joe C. Lair, Wilburn Wm. Rheinlander, Nancye Tacquard, and Arthur Mathis, Jr. The installation ceremony was carried out by Ernest H. Trysell, Grand Chapter Recorder, who came from Detroit purposely for the installation.



A Few Chips from the Log of the Good Ship "American Architect," Drawn by L. W. Watrous, N.O.B. (not on board)

Some impressions of the Beaux-Arts Architects en route to the Ecole in Paris to present a flagpole to their Alma Mater. After much debating the name of the boat, the "S.S. American Banker," was changed for the voyage to the "American Architect," and not the "American Tanker," which was the first thought of the voyageurs.



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.

THE PRIZES this month have been awarded as follows:

Class I-A. D. Roberts, Bell, California.

Class II-Benjamin Bailyn, West New York, N. J.

Class III-William F. Smith, III, Rochester, N. Y.

Class IV-Dave Chapman, Evanston, Illinois.

Good Wrinkle—Frank W. Bentley, Jr., Missouri Valley, Ia.
Your Conductor is going on a vacation and had all sorts of ideas about putting this most important section of the magazine together a week ahead of time. Just as we were on the verge of doing so our telephone bell rang. It was our old friend Salvadore Gloop. Mr. Gloop has just returned from his swimming in Venice, where he informs us he was presented with numerous cups and medals. He jumped at the idea of conducting our department for August. We understand he has some brilliant thoughts for your entertainment, so don't forget to read what he has to say in the next issue!

#### AMBITION

By Benj. Bailyn, West New York, N. J.

(PRIZE—Class Two, June Competition)

All architects are human,

After all it's not a sin,

They rest their feet upon a seat,

And dreaming they begin.

It is a quite accepted fact, You needn't smile or laugh, We dream of things we sometimes lack, And what we cannot have.

So let us not too hastily, Condemn this architect, For dreaming things that surely are His pleasure to erect.

Vague thoughts of massive castles, And of Churches large and fine, Even those of great memorials Pass through his sleeping mind.

The Empire State is but a tent, Compared with what he sees. It rises up into the clouds It's towers often freeze.

But day dreams, it's a pity,
Do not last so very long.
And he roughly is awakened,
By a file clerk's plaintive song.
He looks around him as if lost,
The place does not seem large,
His pencil starts to work once more,
On a puny tin garage.



"OLD ADOBE HOUSE NEAR EL TORO," FROM A PENCIL SKETCH BY A. D. ROBERTS, BELL, CALIFORNIA (PRIZE—Class One—June Competition)



THIS REMARKABLE portrait study of Dave Chapman was taken in the drafting rooms at good ole Armour Tech and is shown herewith for the edification of the 125 souls, 125, who comprise the department of architecture of that institution. The sly photographer snuk up on Mr. Chapman while he was hard at work on his rendering of the First National Gamboge Plant for

Wearnuts. Note the dynamic symmetry of the composition! There is no question but that Mr. Chapman will be heard from again as we are sending him the prize in Class IV.

FRED H. ELSWICK, of Louisville, Ky., says:

"It isn't necessary to be queer to be an architect, but it helps."

"A lot of good draftsmen who used to draw good plans can hardly draw a good breath now."

"If our present prosperity continues it won't be long

before the only draftsmen who have jobs will be those who open and close windows in government office buildings."

We might call the above "cracks" the Optimist's Ever Looking for the Sunshine Corner!

A HANDY METHOD of holding end of rolled print or drawing is suggested by Frank W. Bentley, Jr., of Missouri Valley, Iowa:

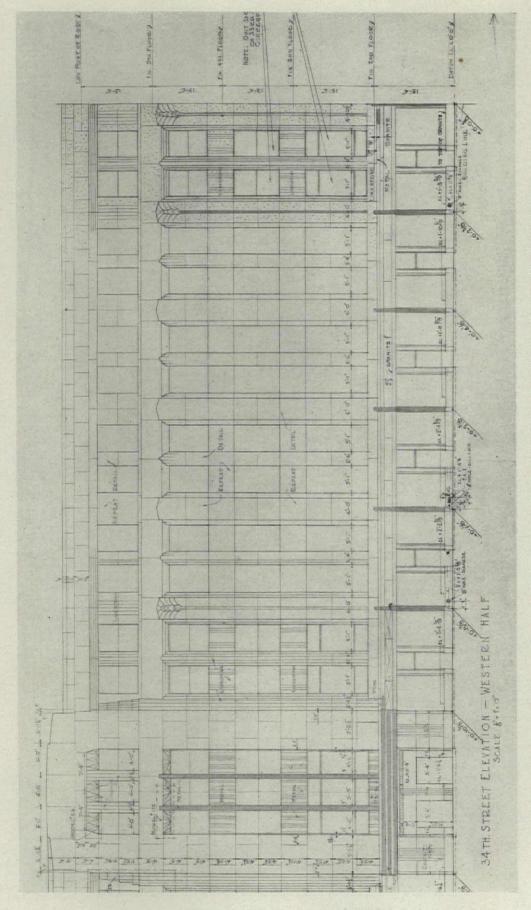
"Long prints or drawings which



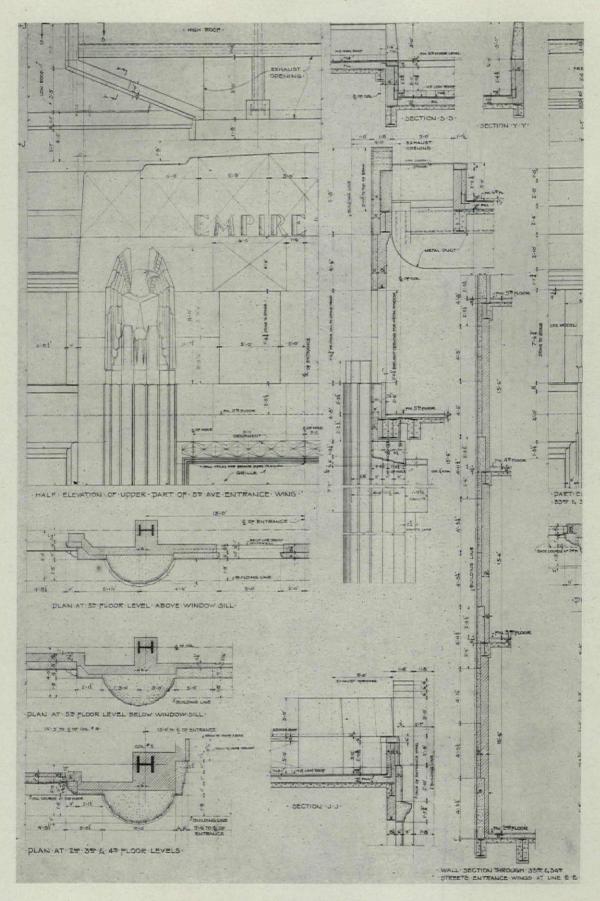
have been rolled and are necessarily kept rolled for convenience or preservation are often a mean thing to handle alone when inspecting them. Back rolling the drawing or print can be done of course, but this is frequently very damaging to the cloth or paper. If one cannot find something handy and convenient to lay on one end to hold it down, the photograph above shows a quick and ready method. Open the first half of the two-foot rule to a wide angle. Open the next two sections a bit and slip the end of the drawing into the flat vise like affair thus formed. Do not close them entirely as some rules of this type have small brass dowels which may scratch the paper. Just close them lightly. It will nicely and securely keep the end of the paper or cloth from rolling or curling up again, leaving the right hand free to write, sketch, or follow details of the drawing with the point of the pencil."



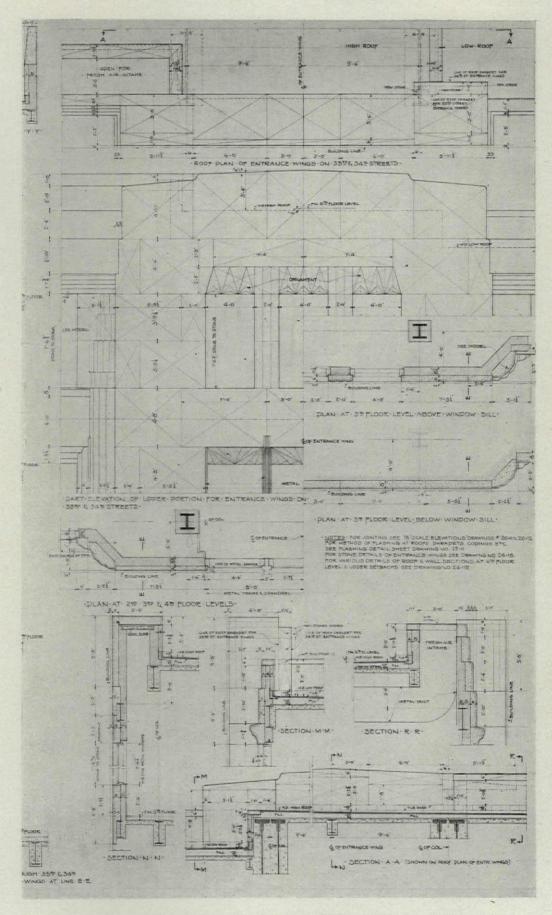
The Fellow Who Erected the World's Tallest Building Pitches His Tent—By William F. Smith III, Rochester, N. Y. (PRIZE—Class Three—June Competition)



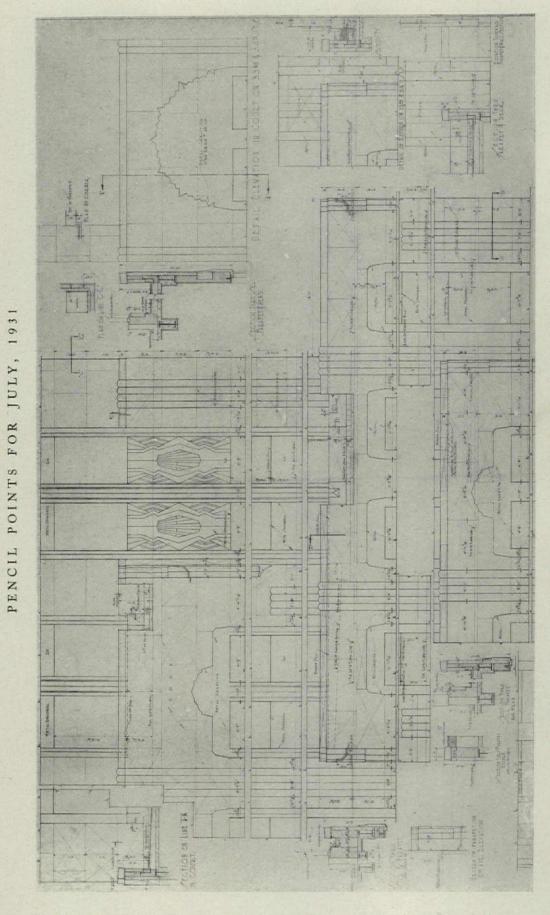
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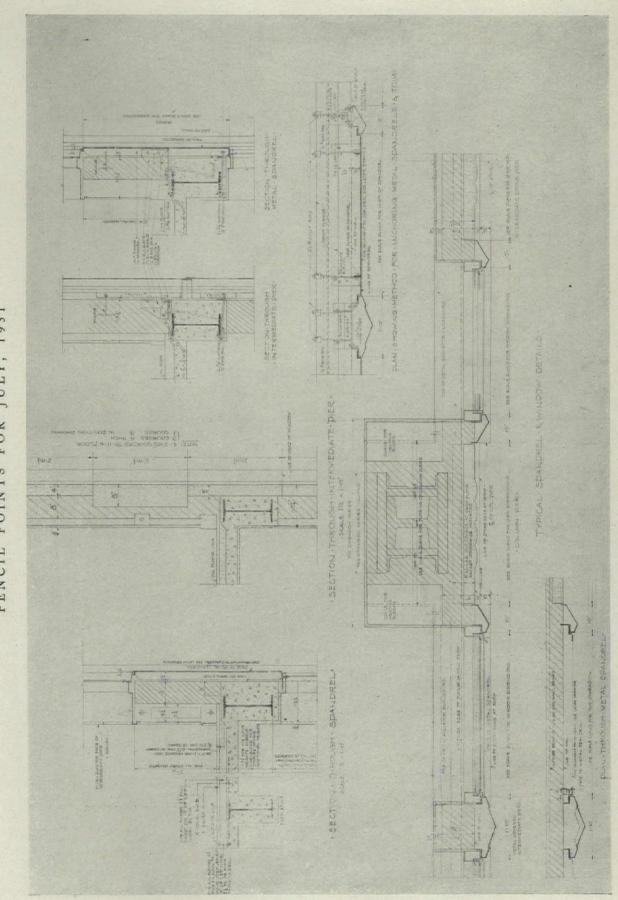
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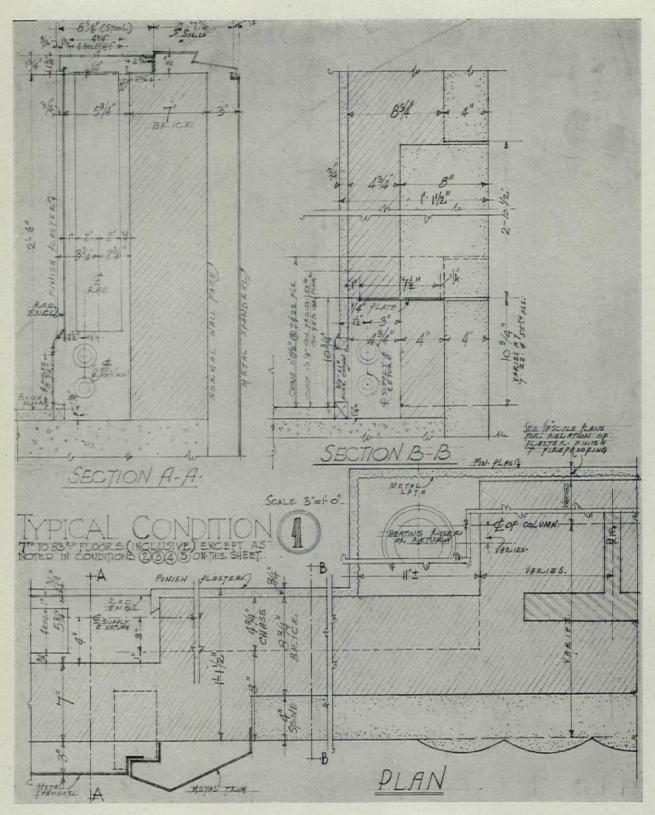
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EMPIRE STATE BUILDING, NEW YORK—TYPICAL SPANDREL SHOWING RADIATORS SHREVE, LAMB, AND HARMON, ARCHITECTS

## THE SPECIFICATION DESK

# Whys and Wherefores of the Specification

9—Carpentry, 2

By Philip G. Knobloch

WALL SHEATHING

Wall Sheathing shall consist of materials as specified. Where wood sheathing is specified, the boards shall be dressed to an even thickness, not less than 25/32 inch thick, laid diagonally with close joints and nailed at every bearing with at least two nails. All joints, except where end-matched sheathing is used, shall be made over bearings.

Very often wall sheathing is laid horizontally. This is a less expensive method of laying sheathing but does not

produce as rigid a bracing as does the diagonal. The diagonal method of sheathing is about twice as strong as the horizontal. Sheathing should not be wider than 8". Wider boards will warp or cup. A usual width is 6". (See Figure 5.)

Permanent grounds shall be provided wherever required to afford proper nailing of all finished Carpentry for the securing of metalcovered wood or hollow metal trim.

All grounds shall be dressed to sizes required on details, and shall be secured in position in a manner absolutely rigid, straight, level, even, and plumb, so that the surfaces of the finished coat of plastering shall be

flush with the face or edge of all grounds.

Grounds generally shall be 5/8" x 2" in size, where same are applied to block work, and 3/4" x 2" where applied to lath work. Grounds shall be in as many lines as required to set trim properly.

#### NAILING STRIPS OR BLOCKING

Bolt 2" x 6" planks to bottom flanges of all beams where indicated to provide base for hanging partition hardware. 5%" holes will be punched in beams' flanges under another contract. (See Figure 6.)

In Figure 6, No. 1, is shown method of detail through the head of a sliding door partition. The hardware for this partition is secured to the continuous blocking which in turn has been bolted to the steel. On the steel drawing, the particular I beam was noted to have 5/8" diameter holes punched through the bottom flange, staggered 2'0" o.c. which provided a method of fastening the blocking.

Figure 6, No. 2, shows the nailer strip on top of the beam now acting as a nailing base for a plank floor or wood joists. This time the holes have been punched through the top flange for the bolts, to fasten the nailer to the steel beam. Care must be taken that details such as these are covered either in the specifications or on the drawings or both. Drilling holes for bolting in the field is very much

more expensive than shop

FLOOR SLEEPERS

Where sleepers are called for on the plans they shall be 2" x 4" Y. P. scantlings secured to the floor construction by metal clips or the wire supplied and installed by this contractor. (See Figure 7.) Unless otherwise noted on plans they shall be set at sixteen (16") centers except where special conditions require closer spacing. They shall be carefully leveled and blocked, special attention being paid to see that there will be no sagging at ends or anywhere throughout their length. Where underfloor is specified to be laid diagonally, header shall be installed where necessary to

Double headers Hangers Joist AN - OPENING - IN-THE-FICOR-FOR-STAIRS-

provide a continuous bearing. One line of sleepers shall be set around wall to form base for flooring ends.

Form transverse runs, where directed, to accommodate pockets for electric conduits, steam piping, plumbing, and other service piping.

The use of cinder fill between sleepers is optional unless required by local ordinances. Sleepers may be held in place with cinder fill. The sleeper is beveled, the wide face laid on the concrete flooring to form a key for the cinders to hold the sleeper in place. Sleepers buried in cinder fill should be coated with water-resisting material such as creosote, tar, or penetrating oil to prevent dry rot from dampness. (See Figure 8, on page 559.)

The patented anchor clips for sleepers we believe are

preferable. They are spaced 16" o.c. and set in alignment after the concrete base has been screeded or leveled off and still soft enough to insert the clips. After the concrete has set the upper part of the clip or tab is raised to a vertical position and the sleeper inserted. The anchor clips are secured to the sleeper with nails through holes in the tabs making a rigid and strong anchorage. All the leveling is accomplished while installing the sleeper. (See Fig. 7.)

The anchor clip method is preferable to the cinder fill method, for it provides an air space that prevents rotting of the sleepers and underfloor. If cinder fill is used, it must be absolutely dry before the subfloor is installed. If the fill is damp, the sleeper and subfloor will rot quickly.

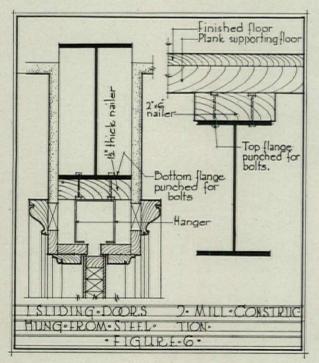
#### UNDERFLOORING

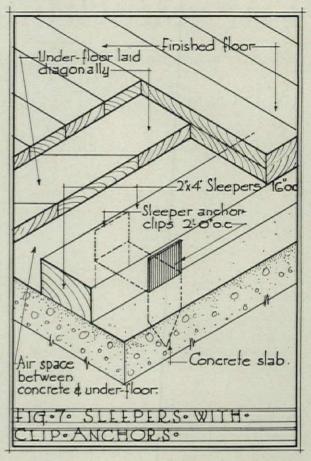
Underflooring shall consist of square edged or tongued and grooved boards 7/8" x 6" hemlock dressed to an even thickness face nailed with at least 2 nails at each bearing.

Unless otherwise specified, underflooring shall be laid at right angles to joists or sleepers. End joints, except where end-matched boards are used, shall be made over bearings. Joints between boards shall be open maximum of 1/8".

The under or subfloor is usually placed soon after the joists or sleepers have been installed. Therefore it is exposed to the weather and wear, practically throughout the job. (See Figures 5 and 7 for subfloor.) This will cause the floor to swell and expand, therefore it is desirable to provide for this condition. By laying the boards about 1/8" apart and nailing them well, warping and cupping will be held to a minimum and will cause no concern.

Where subfloors abut masonry walls, it is well to have a clearance of 1/2" between the wall and floor. This space provides space for possible swelling from water or dampness. A tightly laid subfloor will expand sufficiently to push out a newly laid masonry wall. We have had this experience on a job where the contractor had been cautioned and then considered the advice an unimportant detail. Had the wall set up sufficiently hard to withstand this expansion pressure then the subfloor itself would have buckled seriously. In either case, it required replacements at this contractor's expense. To the uninitiated, the power





developed by this expansion would be indeed surprising. Wood furring shall consist of 3/4" x 2" spruce or other soft wood, dressed to an even thickness, spaced twelve inches (12") o.c.

Where wood furring is specified to be applied to masonry surfaces, a secure nailing shall be provided by drilling and plugging, except where metal nailing plugs are specified.

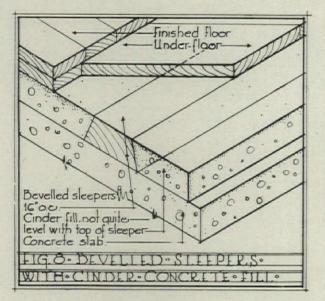
Where metal nailing plugs are specified, they shall be furnished by this Contractor before masonry is built and will be built in by the Contractor for Masonry at this Contractor's direction.

Where wood furring is to be secured to wood framing, it shall be firmly nailed at every bearing.

All ceilings shall be furred with 3/4" x 2" spruce furring

12 o.c. to form base for the lath. (See Figure 9.)

The custom of furring exterior walls is sound and good practice. Where an asphalt preparation is sprayed under pressure on exterior walls with a final spraying of fine grit to form a plaster bond the necessity of furring is eliminated. This does not include any dampproofing paints or preparations that are applied with a brush. If these are used, it should be in conjunction with the furring. Furring is primarily an effort to create an air space between the exterior masonry wall and the plaster, and to prevent any dampness or water in the wall from getting at the No matter how well a wall may be built, it will absorb a certain amount of water, which will affect any finish applied directly to the wall without any protection in between. The practice of plastering directly to an untreated exterior wall is bad. It may succeed at times but in the majority of instances water trouble results. The furring is placed against the wall and fastened to either lath strips or clips previously built into the wall for this specific purpose. The lath and plaster is placed on the furring. This space protects the lath and plaster. The omission of



furring affects a small saving in money for the time being, but will be the cause of added expense and trouble later, when because of wet walls, the plaster falls away and the costly finishes such as wallpaper, paint, etc., are ruined.

Bucks

Where wood bucks are called for, they shall be of the plain type of materials and sizes as shown on drawings. Legs shall be dadoed into heads and heads pointed at both ends. Where rebated bucks are specified, they shall be the full width of the partition plus the thickness of plaster on each side and shall be rebated ½" to receive partition blocks.

Bucks shall foot upon the floor arches or on top of concrete fill, as may be necessary, but shall be of sufficient length to permit either form of construction and shall have continuous footing piece 7/8" thick by the width of the buck. All bucks shall extend in one piece, the full height of the openings, and shall be provided with No. 16-gauge galvanized iron crimped anchors, 1½" wide, at least three to each jamb.

Bucks shall be accurately set, plumb, and true and properly stayed until built in.

#### Forms

Concrete shall be placed in T. & G. wood forms (furnished, set and removed by this Contractor). The forms shall be substantial, unyielding, and so constructed that the concrete will conform to the designed dimensions and contours, and shall also be tight to prevent mortar leakage.

The forms for walls and floors shall be of sufficient strength and rigidity to prevent spreading and the uprights shall be held together by heavy galvanized wire, which shall be clipped at the wall line at completion. Forms for walls and floors shall not be removed for at

least five (5) days. (See Figure 10.)

Forms were specified under the concrete division for the purpose of advising that contractor that the Carpenter would furnish, erect and remove the forms. This cross specifying prevents any duplication of costs in the bids.

The forms must be built of tongued and grooved boards, substantially erected and sufficiently tight to prevent the leakage of water and consequent loss of cement. The form must be strongly braced and rigid so as to maintain its position and shape and

prevent spreading while the concrete is being placed. Liberal use of heavy cross wiring from the upright supports is specified. After the forms are removed these wires are clipped off. We permit form lumber to be used again for subfloors if the boards are in good condition and reasonably clean.

The forms must be continuous for the average small job and not built in sections, poured, and then removed and replaced further along the wall. This is poor practice and slow erection. Neither should permission be granted to pour a wall using the earth bank as one side of the form. (See Figure 11.) This practice produces poor and bad concrete walls. Excessive seepage of water into the earth bank carries away the cement particles and weakens the concrete by changing the proportion of cement. This practice is strongly condemned and under no circumstances should it be permitted.

#### CENTERS

Build all centers for Mason and Stone Work Contractors as required for their work.

#### SCAFFOLDS

This Contractor shall furnish, build, and remove all outside scaffold for the mason and stone contractors. The stone shall be laid from an outside scaffold; the backing up from an inside scaffold furnished, erected and removed by the Mason Contractor. The changing of scaffold planks shall be done by the various contractors using the scaffold. This Contractor to furnish scaffold planks.

The scaffolds shall be built in a strong and substantial manner sufficient to take safely the loads imposed on them and shall not be built less than the following standard: The uprights of scaffolds shall be 4" x 4" spruce (no other wood). The uprights shall be spaced not to exceed 6'0" apart and ledger boards and planking shall be 2" stock (not less than 2" x 6"). The scaffolds shall be diagonally braced and tied into building at proper intervals.

If local ordinances govern the sizes of scaffold members they are to be followed.

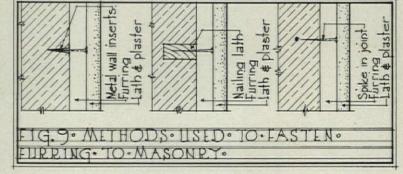
Under the Concrete Division that contractor was advised that the scaffold would be furnished and erected under this Division. This definitely establishes responsibility for the work and banishes all doubt beyond question. Each contractor using the scaffold is responsible for the changing of the plank to suit his needs. The lumber from the scaffold may be used in the building if it is in a satisfactory condition. Runways necessary for the masons and plasterers are not included in scaffolding and must be furnished by the respective trades using them.

#### RUNWAYS AND SCAFFOLDING

Required for pouring concrete shall be furnished and placed by Concrete Contractor.

#### Door Enclosures

All exterior door openings shall be closed with substantial 7/8" board enclosures fitted with battened doors hung (Continued on page 62, Advertising Section)



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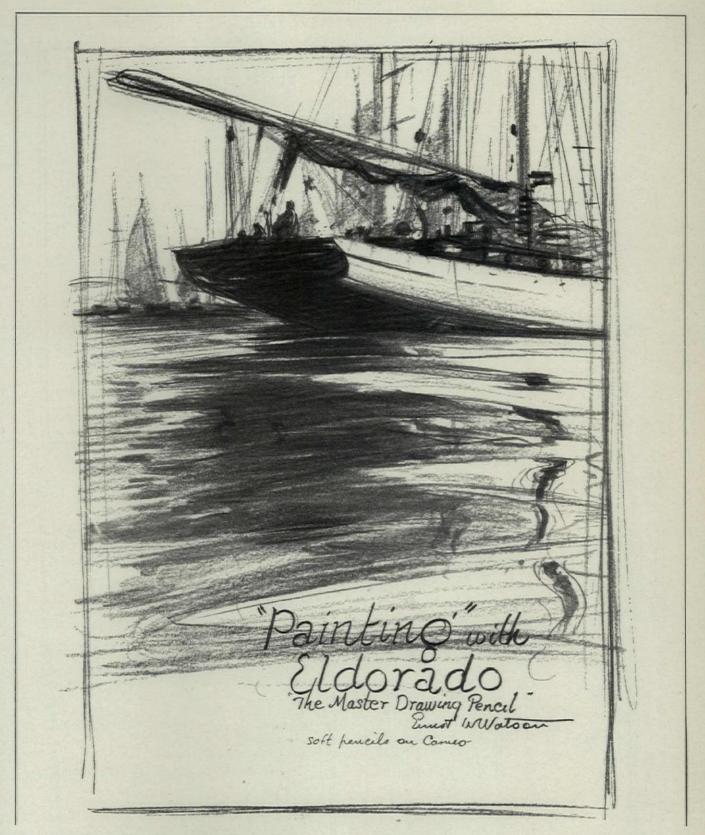
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## WHYS AND WHEREFORES OF THE SPECIFICATION

(Continued from page 559, Editorial Section) on strap hinges and secured by padlocks. Each door shall bear a wood sign with the words "Danger—No Admittance" in black letters on white ground.

#### PROTECTION OF STONE

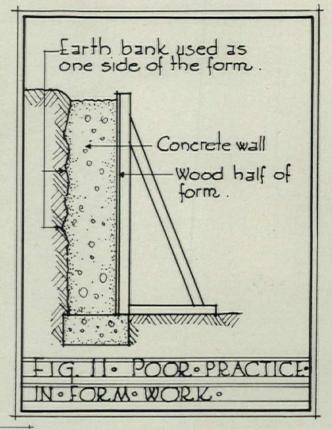
This Contractor shall erect the necessary protection for sills and other projecting pieces of Stone. No lumber or any other material shall be used which would in any way stain or deface the Stone work.

All projecting courses such as belt courses, sills for doors and windows, bases, steps, cups, etc., located where the stone is liable to damage, should be protected with wood covering. This is called boxing. The wood for this protecting covering should be clean, strong pine wood boxing so that there is no possibility of staining or soiling the stone. While it may seem that this protection should be handled by the stone contractor, it is a simpler matter to have it included in this Division, inasmuch as there is not a great amount of stone on the job.

#### MATERIALS

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Wood throughout to be best grade red oak, vertical grain, except wood paneling around First Floor of Assembly Room, which shall be quartered oak sawed veneering 1/4"



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8" both ways thru baffle

Form for
concrete

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Concrete partly
filling form

FIG 10 SKETCH SHOWING DAFFLE

AND REINFORCING PODS FOR JISS

thick with small flakes. This panel to be veneered on back with a balancing veneering of any suitable veneer. Paneling to be 1-3/8" total thickness, including core.

Material for natural, stained, varnished, lacquered or waxed finish shall be free from knots, shakes, sap, stain, worm holes or other defects impairing either durability or appearance.

Materials having marked difference in color shall be selected to obtain uniform color.

Where vertical grain is specified, the material shall be free from coarse pores.

Where panels or other portions of the work are specified to be selected for figure and grain, the material shall be carefully matched for figure and color.

This building is to be of oak trim throughout. For other wood desired, include fully the kind and grade required.

#### FINISHED CARPENTRY

In general, all finished carpentry shall be finished and assembled at the mill, as far as practicable, and delivered at the building ready to set in place. The material shall be worked in the best manner known to the trade; mortised, tenoned, doweled, blocked and glued together so as to avoid the use of nails as much as possible; mouldings cleanly cut, sharply defined and mitres accurately made. Plain butt joints without an approved device for preventing separation at joints will not be accepted. Where nails and screws are necessary they shall be concealed. All surfaces shall have a smooth machine finish.

(This discussion of Finished Carpentry specifications will be continued in the August issue.)



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tilating registers, grilles of perforated steel, brass, and bronze, wire screens and guards, lock type registers and chain operated ventilating registers. Dimension tables, specification data, etc. 32 pp. 81/2 United States Register Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Hydrogen Sulfide Generator.-Bulletin P illustrates and describes this new type of acid-proof chemical stoneware equipment especially adaptable for use in schools, colleges and industrial plants.  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 11. General Ceramics Co., 71 W. 35th St., New York, N. Y.

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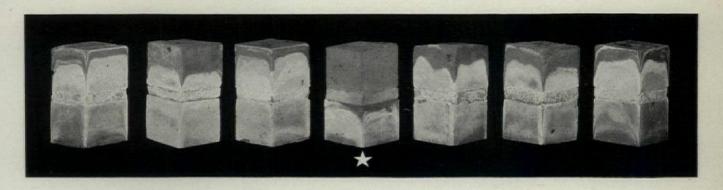
Sheet Iron-A Primer .- Fourth edition of this publication on the subject of sheet iron has been revised to take account of changes in manufacturing methods in sheet iron production, as well as to show recent progress in the efforts of science to make sheet iron more durable. 64 pp. 5½ x 7¾. Republic Steel Corporation, Youngstown, Ohio.

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Position Wanted: Architectural designer, draftsman and

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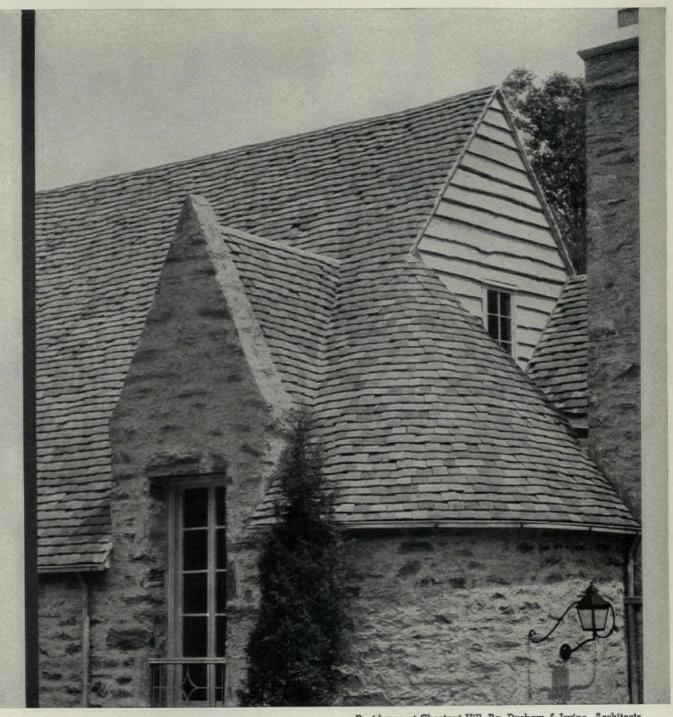


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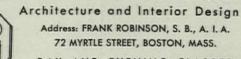
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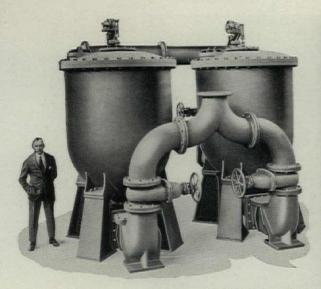
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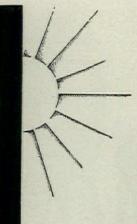


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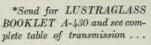
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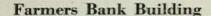




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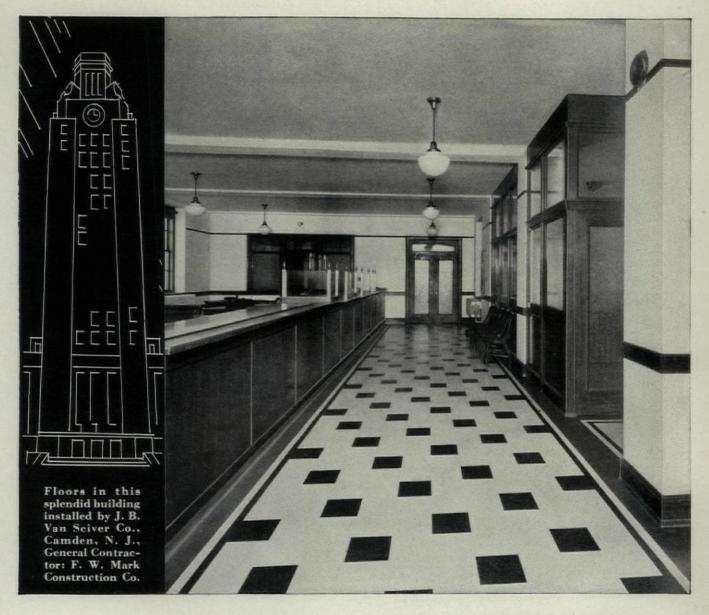




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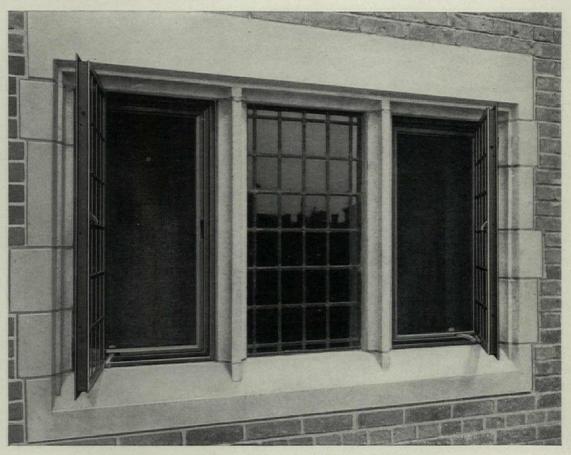
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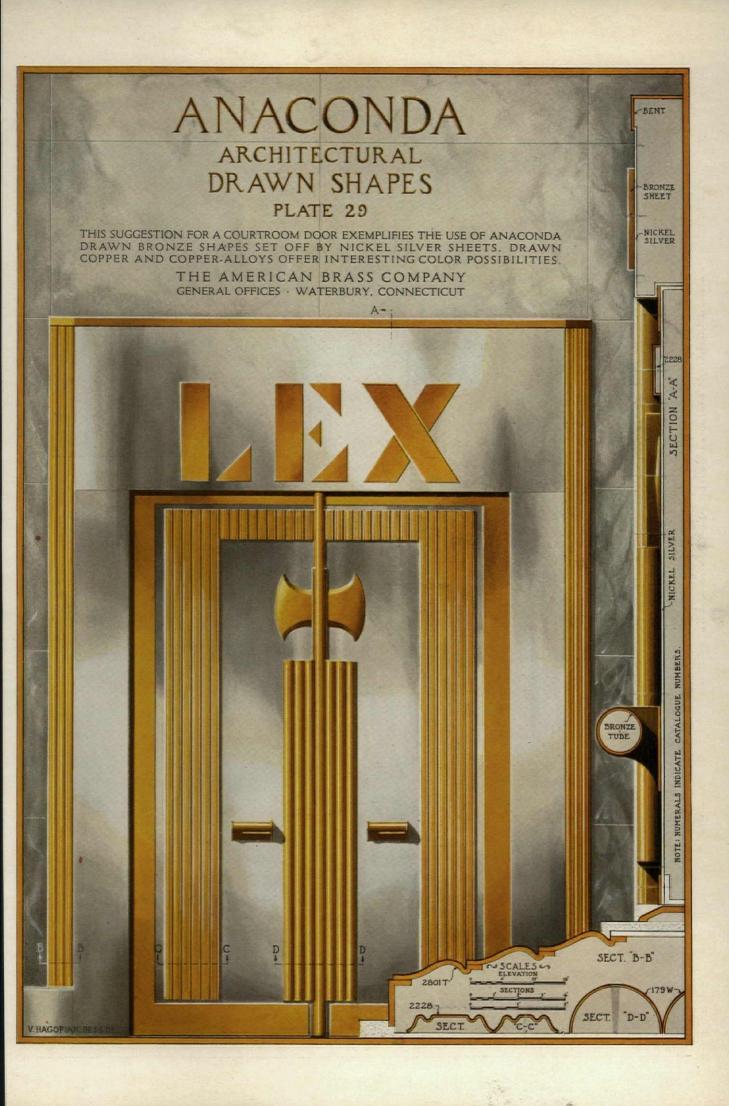
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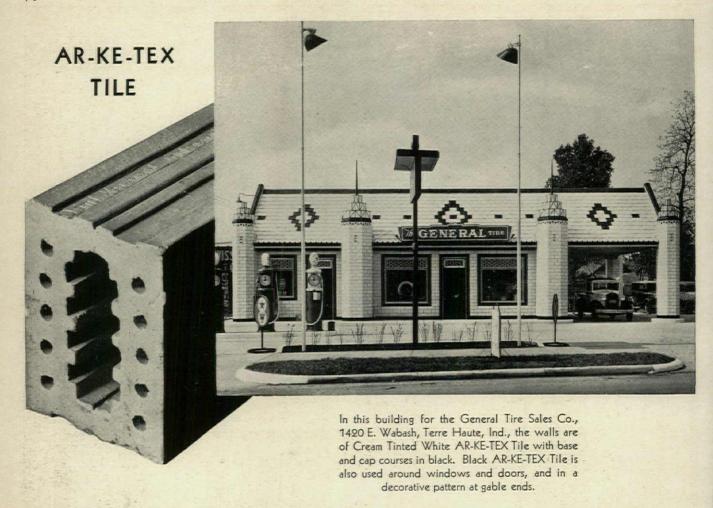
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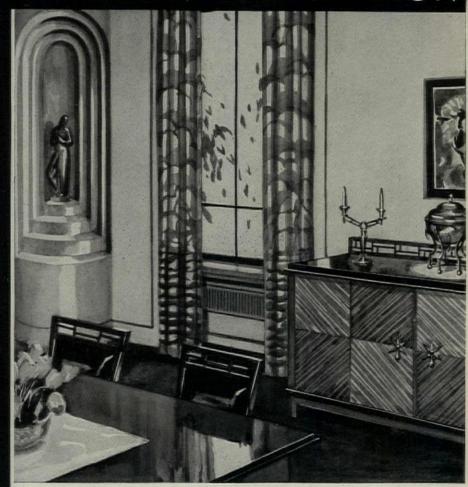
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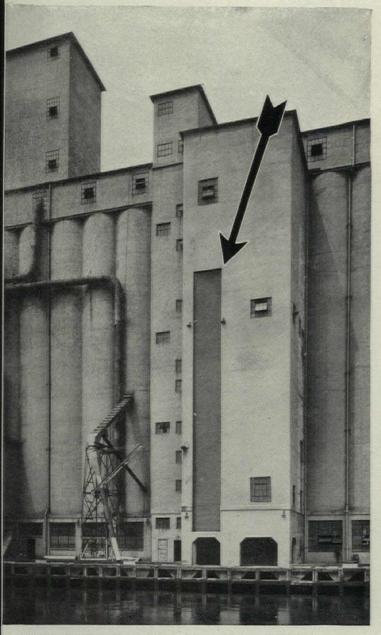
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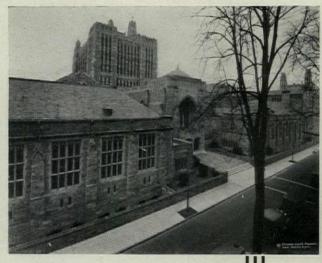


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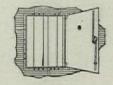
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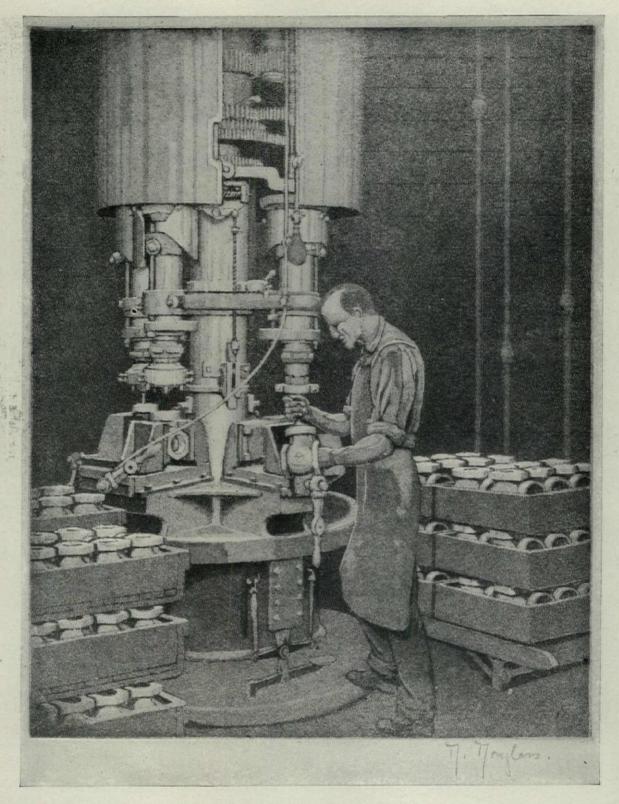
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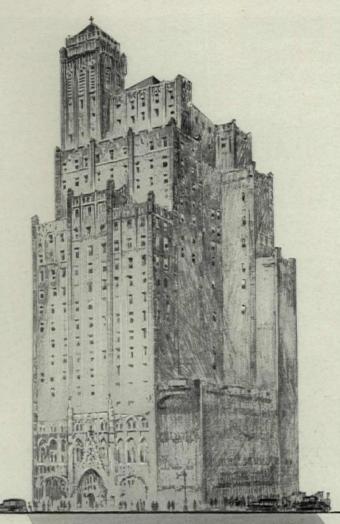
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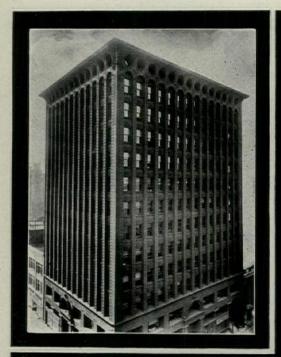
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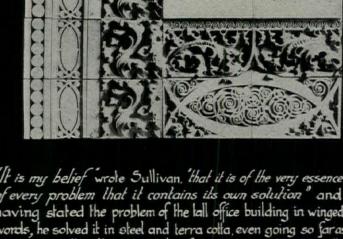
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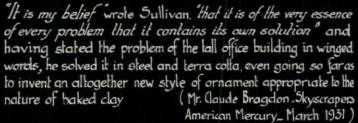


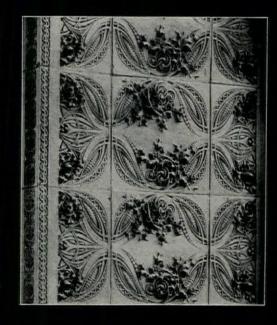
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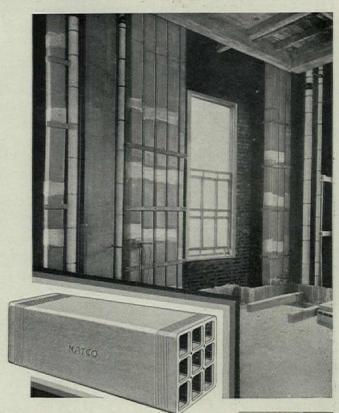
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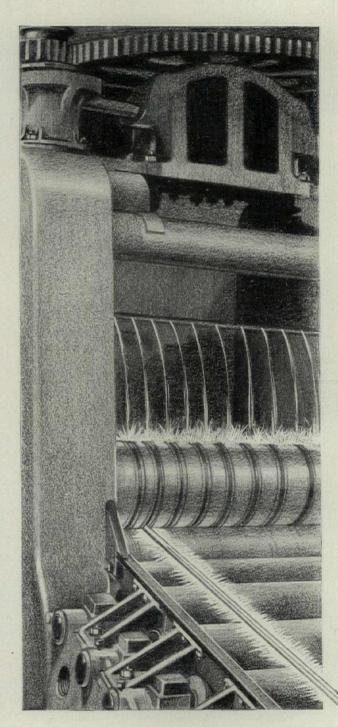
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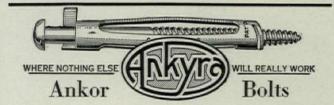
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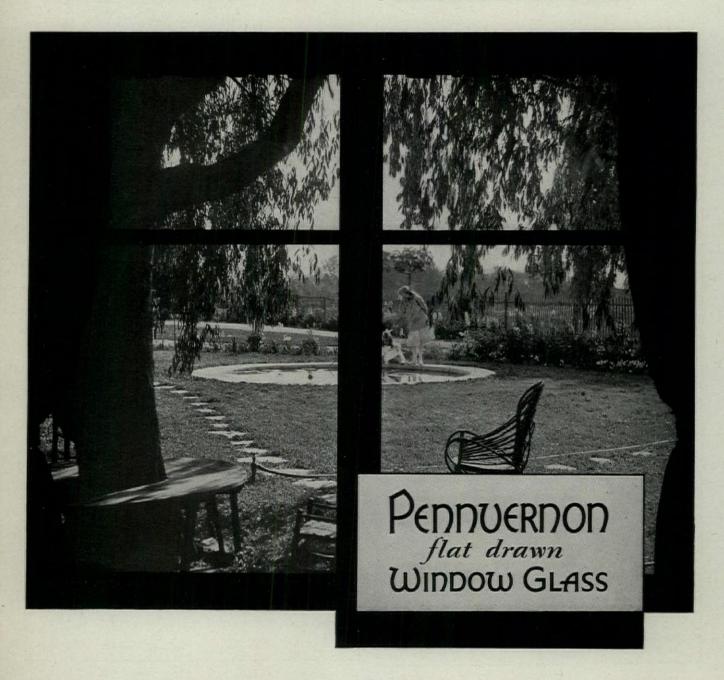
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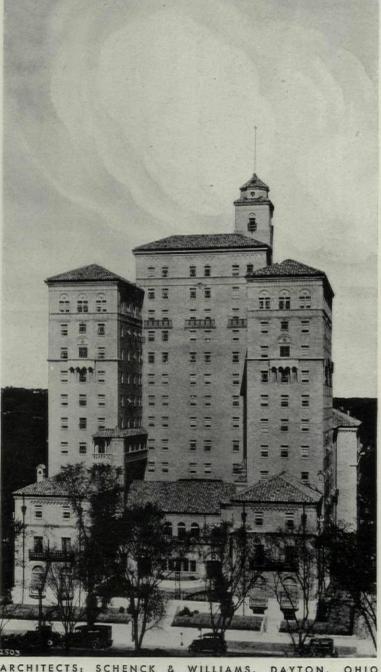
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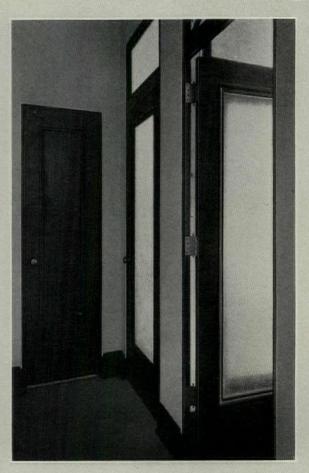


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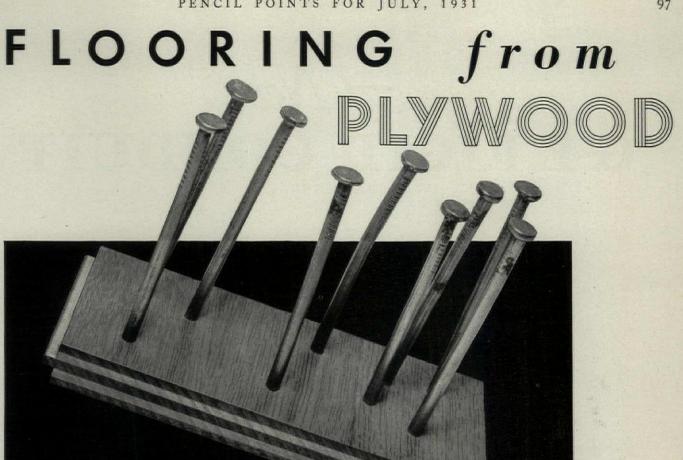
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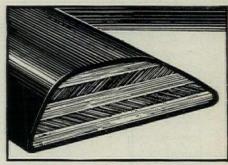
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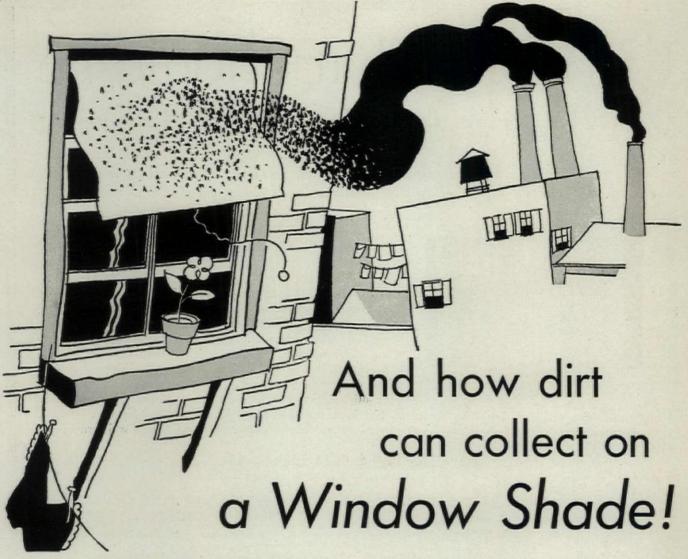


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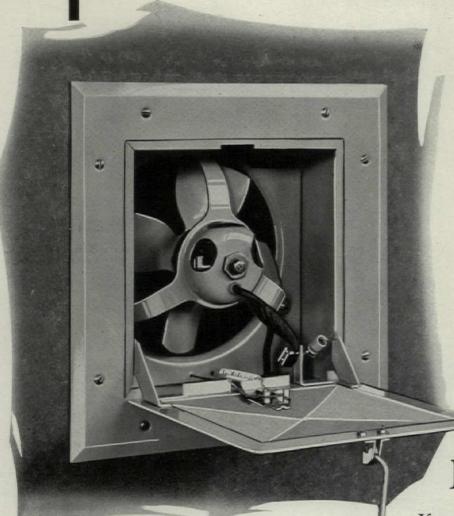
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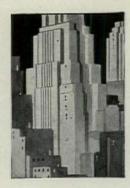
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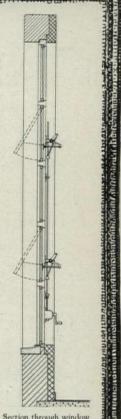
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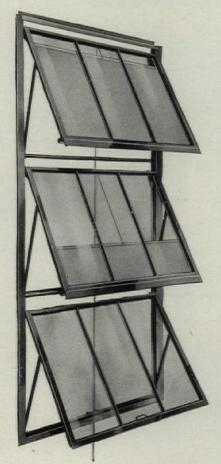
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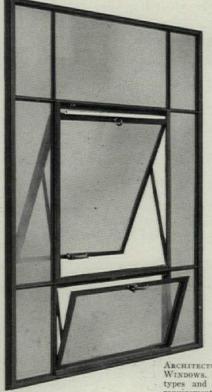
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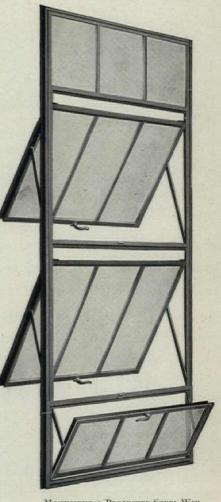
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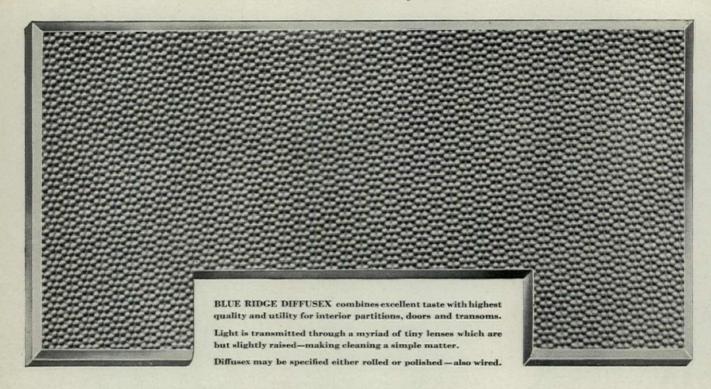


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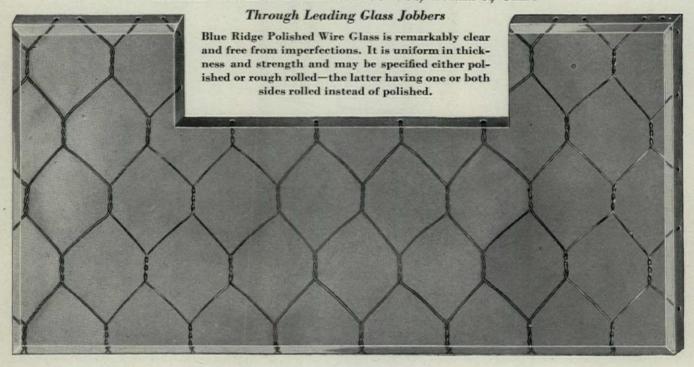
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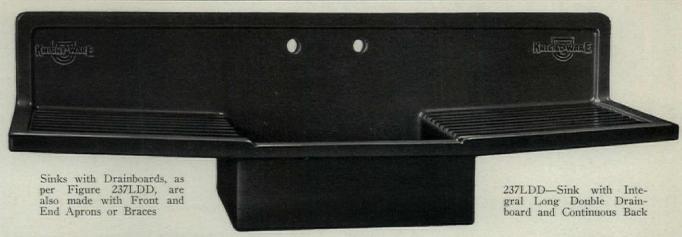
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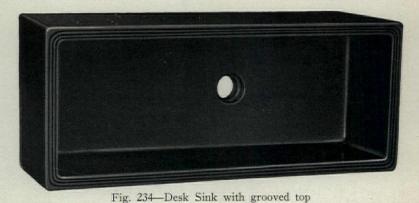
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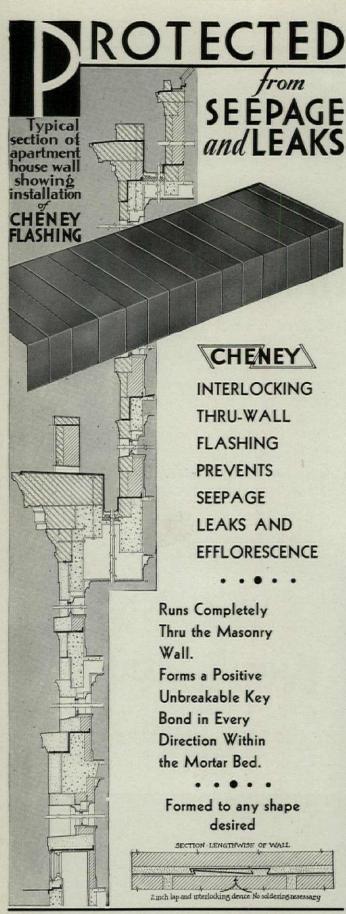
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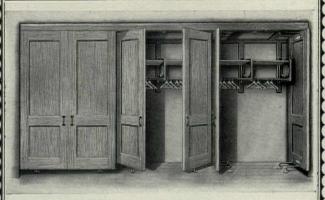
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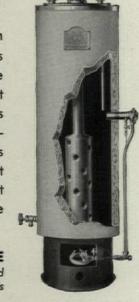
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A. C. Deming has established an office in the Union Savings Bank Building at 216 Tremont Street, Boston, and will represent Gillis & Geoghegan, Inc., manufacturers of ash, garbage and rubbish removal equipment and G & G Atlas Systems, Inc., manufacturers of pneumatic tubes. In his previous connection Mr. Deming sold these lines among others but will now devote himself exclusively to sales and engineering for Gillis & Geoghegan and G & G Atlas Systems in Massachusetts and northern New England.

A joint announcement has been made by The Locomotive Terminal Improvement Company of Chicago and A. M. Byers Company, wrought iron manufacturers, covering the introduction of a new line of wrought iron welding elbows. These new elbows known as "Weldells" range in size from 2" to 12" and are manufactured with the same radius and center to face measurements as standard radius fittings. In the forging, a tangent is formed on each end, making "Weldells" interchangeable with standard fittings and the ends are beveled 45 degrees for welding. Stock sizes include both standard and light weight (10-gauge) sections. "Weldells" are forged from wrought iron plate with a smooth, uniform internal diameter and a reinforcing rib along both the outer and inner curvature of radius. The process permits "Weldells" to be made from the same material as the balance of the piping system.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, J. S. Tritle was elected vice-president and general manager in charge of manufacturing, sales and engineering operations of the company, reporting to the president, F. A. Merrick. In his new position as vice-president and general manager, Mr. Tritle will retain his head quarters in the Westinghouse Company's main works at East Pittsburgh, Pa. Effective June 1, 1931, J. C. McQuiston retired as general advertising manager of the company after serving in that capacity for 29 years. Mr. McQuiston was formerly president of the Association of National Advertisers and for many years a leader in associational work in the electrical and allied industries. Frank Thorton, Jr., manager of residence engineering, general engineering department, has been appointed manager of association activities of the company to succeed R. W. E. Moore, resigned.

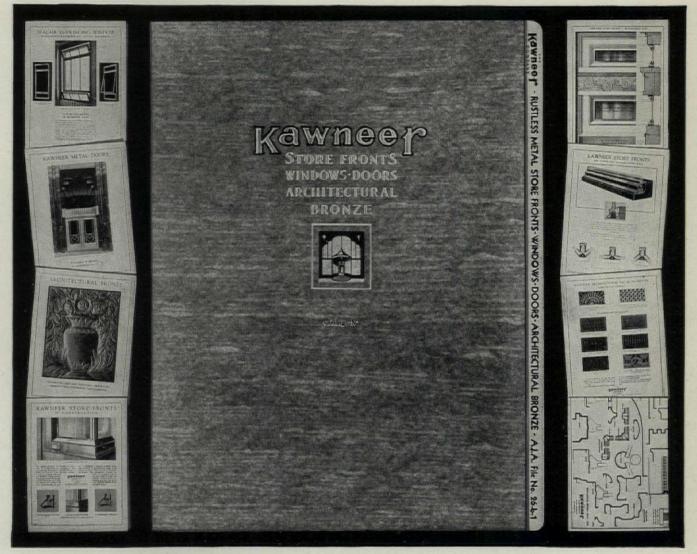
One of the more recent developments in the oil burner field is the draft stabilizer that has been introduced by the Silent Automatic Corp., of Detroit. The purpose of it is to automatically control the intensity of the natural draft, an important factor, especially when starting an oil burner. The draft stabilizer is attached to the vertical or horizontal smoke pipes of any domestic type of heater. It has a mechanically counterbalanced damper that swings free on a lever arm in the smoke pipe. It can be adjusted to a fine setting for the most efficient flame and assure its stability. When set for the most efficient oil burner operating conditions it adjusts itself to compensate for varying draft conditions.

The General Electric Company announces a standard Thyratron reactor control equipment type CR7502A1 for use in governing the operation of mobile color lighting and designed for numerous applications, including exterior floodlighting, show window lighting, etc. Heretofore equipments for use in these various applications have been designed more or less specially for each individual case, whereas this new design allows the control for the majority of installations to be built up of standard equipment.

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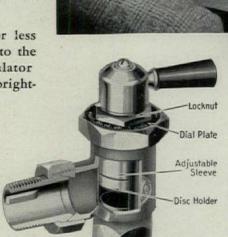
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