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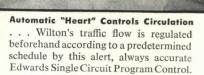
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BUILDING OUTLOOK BRIGHTENS AS DEFENSE PLANS ARE SET

Construction "Squeeze" Seen Likely To Be Briefer and Less Severe than Many Feared

The "squeeze" on construction which has been expected to develop later this year seems likely to be less severe and of shorter duration than most people thought it would be.

Thomas S. Holden, president of the F. W. Dodge Corporation, last month thought indications were that such a squeeze would continue into 1952. Safest assumption on 1952 volume, he said, is for a decrease from 1951 volume, although such a decline is by no means certain.

Mr. Holden expected material supply — of metal products in particular — to be the determining factor on 1952 building volume: "Defense production will be eating metal fast in 1952. The question is whether it will consume metals at a faster rate than supplies increase."

In a published analysis, "Construction in a Defense Economy," Mr. Holden pointed out that the fears engendered by the shock of the sudden Korean crisis and early confusion about the direction the defense program would take have been in part dissipated by events.

"From the start of the Korean crisis

in June 1950 until quite recently," he wrote, "there has been a general tendency to expect a repetition of all the shortages and all the control patterns that were experienced in World War II. Many construction industry people have even expected a squeeze like the one that occurred in 1943 and 1944, following the 1942 peak of war construction. Fortunately, a more realistic view is beginning to prevail.

"As of March 1951 there has been no squeeze. Construction activity, both in terms of contract-letting and of work being executed in the field, has been continuing at a record rate. The total of building and engineering contracts awarded in the 37 eastern states during the first two months of 1951 amounted to \$2,183,775,000 compared with \$1,-510,385,000 in the first two months of last year. This 44 per cent increase produced the largest contract total yet recorded for any similar period. Nonresidential building, residential building and heavy engineering contracts all participated in the increase.'

Mr. Holden sees the next four years as

"... defense requirements will be largely met by increased production of basic materials."

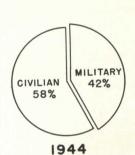
"... expansion of the American economy will require construction in great volume and in wide variety of structural types."

"... in 1953 there will be more steel and more aluminum available for civilian use than before Korea."

a period of transition from the subnormal defense program of the first postwar years to what military authorities now consider events have made a normal defense program: \$35 billions a year to support a military establishment of 3,500,000 men.

The intensified effort which is obvi-(Continued on page 284)

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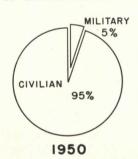


ALL OUT WAR

Total military establishment: 12,000,000 men in uniform

Gross National Product: \$298 billions (at 1950 prices)

Military expenditures: 42% of Gross National Product



SUBNORMAL DEFENSE

Total military establishment: 1,400,000 men in uniform

Gross National Product: \$280 billions (at 1950 prices)

Military expenditures: 5% of Gross

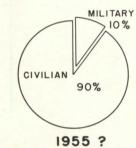


TRANSITION TO NORMAL

Total military establishment: 3,500,000 men in uniform (by middle or end of '51)

Gross National Product: \$316 billions (at 1950 prices; advance estimate)

Military expenditures: 18% of Gross National Product



POSTWAR NORMAL

Total military establishment: 3,500,000 men in uniform

Gross National Product: \$350 billions (at 1950 prices; advance estimate)

Military expenditures: 10% of Gross National Product

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A.A.S.A. and the American Institute of Architects, was an encore by popular demand of the school architectural exhibit which was a new feature of last year's convention. More than 100 architects were among visitors to the display and the report was that the exhibit was again this year "the hit of the show."

Emphasis on selecting buildings for the exhibit was on structures for rural areas and low cost construction.

Fourteen merit awards were made by the screening jury "to call attention to outstanding contributions to school building architecture." They were as follows:

Frederick P. Weidersum, Architect — Island Trees Elementary School, Dist. #26, Island Trees, N. Y.; Alfonso Alvarez Jr., Architect — Caldwell Township Elementary School, Upper Montclair, N. J.; Harold M. Klaisz, Architect — Harrison Township Elementary School, Mullica Hills, N. J.; Reisner



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Fisher, Williams and Nes, Architects — Bel Air Junior-Senior High School, Bel Air, Md.; Swanson and Associates, Architects — Elementary School, Birmingham, Mich.; Outcalt, Guenther and Associates, Architects — Ohio State School for Blind, Sharon Township, Franklin County, Ohio; Warren S. Holmes, Architect — White Lake Elementary School, White Hall, Mich.; Eberle M. Smith and Associates, Architects — Lake Orion Elementary School,

Lake Orion, Mich.
Caudill, Rowlett and Scott, Architects — Elementary School, Blackwell, Okla.; Victor N. Jones, Architect — Helen Bush Residence and Day School, Seattle, Wash.; John Lyon Reid, Architect.

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Religious, educational and recreational facilities for 6000 people in its area will be provided in the \$2,000,000 Chicago Sinai Temple on a site which faces the South Shore Drive at 54th Street.

The architects and engineers principally responsible for the development are Raphael N. Friedman and Ernest A. Grunsfeld, representing the associated architects Friedman, Alschuler & Sincere and Grunsfeld, Yerkes, Lichtmann & Koenig.

Center of worship will be the windowless auditorium, which will have interior walls devoid of decoration so that all



Offices on upper floors are reached via open cantilevered galleries above 200-ft glass-enclosed ramp from parking area to front lobby

WCAU RADIO AND TELEVISION CENTER IS STARTED; BIGGEST IN POSTWAR SERIES BY AUSTIN COMPANY

The largest single structure in the series of 18 postwar television studios constructed by the Austin Company, Engineers and Builders, is well under way in Philadelphia, where Station WCAU is erecting a 100,000-sq-ft radio and television center on a 10-acre site outside the city's business district.

George Howe, chairman of the Department of Architecture at Yale University, and Robert Montgomery Brown

will be centralized on the "ground" floor, below the studio level. Grounds will be landscaped to slope to the rear, so that the main floor can be reached at ground level in the front (desirable for easy access of large objects to television studios for demonstrations) and the floor below is situated at ground level in the rear. A special welded truss developed by the Austin Company is being used in studio construction to

Shepley, Bulfinch and Abbott of Boston, will be started this spring at Harvard University on sites north of Harvard Yard.

The laboratory, 230 ft by 64 ft, will have three open floors, divisible by temporary partitions into 94 individual laboratories or a lesser number of larger team laboratories.

Shafts for facilities are located at 12-ft intervals at each side of the central corridor throughout the building and are directly accessible from the



Pictured at the Michigan Building Industry Banquet which ended the three-day convention of the Michigan Society of Architects are: Leo M. Bauer, Society president; Clair W. Ditchy, national A.I.A. secretary; Mayor Albert Cobo of Detroit; Charles Luckman, principal speaker; and President Andrew Morison, Detroit A.I.A.

KAMPER AND LORCH HONORED AT MICHIGAN CONVENTION

Two MEMBERS of the Michigan Society of Architects were honored with citations at the Michigan Building Industry Banquet, concluding event of the annual convention of the Society March 7–9 at the Hotel Statler in Detroit.

Louis Kamper and Emil Lorch, F.A.I.A., former head of the Department of Architecture at the University of Michigan, were cited for their contributions to the profession of architecture.

Main speaker at the banquet was Charles Luckman, A.I.A., who was making his first "public appearance" since his return to the practice of architecture. He made a strong plea for coordinated action now on workable community planning goals.

The Monthly Bulletin of the Michigan Society of Architects celebrated its silver anniversary with a 130-page convention issue containing photographs and biographical sketches of 580 members. Talmage C. Hughes has been editor for all 25 years.

1951 FESTIVAL OF BRITAIN OPENS MAY 3 IN LONDON

The 1951 festival of britain, centenary of the Great Exhibition for which the Crystal Palace was erected in London's Hyde Park, will be opened by royal proclamation May 3.

Theme of the Festival, which has been preceded in this country by one of the most intensive advertising and promotion campaigns for any foreign project in memory, is Britain's contribution to civilization — past, present and future. British achievements in the arts, science, technology, architecture, industry, sport and recreation will be on parade throughout the United Kingdom during the Festival, which closes September 30.

Model of the South Bank exhibition site between Waterloo and Westminster Bridges on the Thames. The large circular building on the right will be Dome of Discovery; the building nearest the Shot Tower on the left will be the Royal Festival Hall Photo courtesy British Information Services

Architectural interest centers in London, where the Festival's main exhibition will be held, in buildings constructed on a bombed-out site on the South Bank of the Thames. The great concert hall which has been built for the Festival is intended as "a permanent contribution to London's cultural life," but most of the buildings are temporary structures. The Dome of Discovery, housing a display on exploration and discovery, is the largest dome ever built.

Major architectural exhibition will be the model community of Lansbury, in the Poplar-Stepney area of London's East End. The 30-acre housing development, designed as a self-contained neighborhood unit, is rising on the site of a badly blitzed slum area.

Also at the Lansbury site are pavilions for exhibitions on building research and town planning as well as a "Vertical Feature," a sort of British Periscope which "takes the form of a very tall crane to suggest and mark the site of this new effort in building."

Elsewhere in Britain, special architectural awards are planned for presentation to outstanding contributions in civic or landscape design and the Festi-

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON by Ernest Mickel

Modular Coordination Spotlighted as DPA's Conservation Group Begins Task; Creedon Hopes End of Controls "Not Too Distant"; Extension of Credit Curbs Attacked, Some Are Relaxed to Aid Housing in Two Defense Areas; Civil Defense Funds Are Sought

Conservation of scarce materials through a program of substitution and corner-cutting by such methods as modular coordination is in the making in the Defense Production Administration. It takes the form of a Conservation Coordinating Committee. With a single purpose in mind — savings in materials, manpower and time — this committee is approaching its task under the guidance of Howard Coonley, who did the spade work as consultant on conservation to the National Security Resources Board.

Mr. Coonley is convinced that the building industry affords most fruitful ground and is making it the first area of effort in his over-all task of saving for defense mobilization. He is thoroughly sold on the idea of modular coordination as an important material and time saving method of construction. After conferring with many architects, he concludes that use of the four-inch dimension and multiples can contribute a significant savings factor as the country continues to gird for defense. (On this point, see Architectural Record, November 1950, page 101, and May 1950, page 11.)

He takes this view on modular coordination: "It seems to be an amazingly intelligent technique which has never been used to advantage. As far as I can see, it would not in any way interfere with ingenuity and individuality in building design. Many of my architectural friends say they would like to use it if enough products were available in the modular sizes so they could be sure of obtaining them.

"It is my belief that if you immediately take up an intelligent and active campaign for conservation and the use of standardized, simplified materials and products, the construction program will be far greater than it promises to be at the present time."

With this attitude, Mr. Coonley said his first committee session (set for late in March) was taking up conservation in construction.

The Coonley office is at work trying to establish a materials list similar to the material substitute and supply list of World War II. In his investigations to date, the consultant has found only two critical materials lists in government. One of these is issued by the Munitions Board and is strictly a stockpiling compilation. The other is issued by the General Services Administration and is, essentially, a curtailed civilian requirement list.

Mr. Coonley feels a list is needed to show what materials can be used as substitutes when architects, builders and their suppliers cannot get the materials

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NPA "Explains" Order M-4

To aid understanding of its Order M-4, the National Production Authority on March 12 issued a few pages of "explanations."

The explanations had the effect—probably not intended—of appearing to liberalize interpretation of the order, which prohibits new construction costing more than \$5000 for amusement, recreation or amusement purposes and requires specific authorization for construction of a list of buildings which includes nearly all commercial construction costing more than \$5000.

Specifically mentioned as needing no authorization were schools, libraries, churches, medical clinics, post offices, radio and television stations and buildings for the primary purpose of publishing newspapers, books or periodicals, food processing plants, factory restaurants, storage buildings used in the manufacturing, processing or wholesaling of food products, including tobacco, commercial airline hangars, garages adjoining new apartments and for tenant use only, and buildings for storage, sale and repair of business machines except for repair work for the general public.



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they have been accustomed to using. As a parting comment on the modular coordination question, he remarked: "The building industry can make its contribution to the nation's conservation program by pushing ahead on the use of modular coordination. The savings in materials, in manpower, and in time that the use of this method makes possible will be a substantial step forward. It will not only help to save materials but will make it possible for the construction industry to do more building with those materials that are available."

Goal Is Coordination

The committee, as a unit, will do no more than plan programs of conservation and recommend certain moves to its component members. It then will be up to the respective agency representatives to carry these back to their own organizations and try to put them into effect.

Acting as a single coordinating agency, the committee will be a clearing house for conservation information. Membership will include five representatives from Defense Department component agencies: the Army, Navy, Air Force, Munitions Board and the Research and Development Board. Other agencies which will have representation on the committee are: General Services Administration, Atomic Energy Commission, the Department of Commerce for its National Production Authority, the Department of Commerce for itself, Interior, Agriculture, Housing and Home Finance Agency, Veterans Administration, Federal Civil Defense Administration, Economic Cooperation Administration, Bureau of the Budget and the State Department. The Budget is being included so it will at all times be apprised of the committee's activities. and State was made a party to the effort because of its extensive overseas programs.

Eventually, all materials in production programs will come under the group's surveillance; but the initial concentration will be on the building industry and how it can best contribute materials savings through known and con-

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Panda Photography

John B. Parkin Associates of Toronto were architects for this high school at Fergus, Ontario. Photos above and at bottom of page won a top photographic award for Panda Photography at the recent annual convention of the Ontario Association of Architects

NEWS FROM CANADA by John Caulfield Smith

Bomb Shelters Discussed at House Builders' Convention

BOMB SHELTERS got a big share of attention at the recent annual convention of the National House Builders Association in Montreal.

One of the first actions of the convention was the formation of a Committee on Family Air Raid Shelters to "study how the best type of family shelter at the lowest possible cost can be made available to the Canadian people."

Then the builders moved on to consider the effect on their industry of the Government's suspension of the one-sixth extra loan under the National Housing Act.

Speaking on the builder's role in civil defense, Architect W. E. Fancott of the Federal Department of Public Works pointed out that it is an official

principle that each family must look after its own protection.

"By nature of their operations," he said, "home builders are best suited to assist individual families to achieve a desirable degree of safety."

An indoor shelter is greatly to be preferred to an outdoor one in the Canadian climate, in Mr. Fancott's opinion. The latter is apt to be too cold and wet.

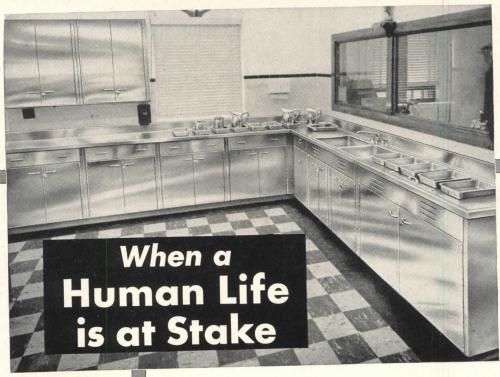
The best location for an indoor shelter is at the foot of the basement stairs, he said, or in the immediate vicinity. A stair against an exterior wall gives more protection than one in the center of the house. Floor joists can be strengthened by beams and struts to take the load should the building collapse.

Other information offered by Mr. Fancott:

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High school at Fergus, Ontario; John B. Parkin Associates of Toronto, Architects









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tional capacity of almost 14 million tons (better than a 16 per cent increase) by mid-1953. A quarter million tons of steel has been earmarked for this program.

Production Is Paramount

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All this indicates that those people making the decisions are counting on higher production levels eventually to offset a major portion of the need for regulatory controls. There's no question that the emphasis in all government planning is on one thesis - production and ever more production. That is why the construction of plants for providing steel, aluminum and other materials in short supply is encouraged through issuance of isolated priorities by NPA. In short, Uncle Sam is going to let almost nothing stand in the way of completion — early completion — of a badly needed new production facility.

The building materials division of the controls agency constantly is expediting the delivery of materials to projects designated as of the greatest necessity to the defense effort. It insists that these moves have been made in isolated cases only, where lack of one or two materials might have halted work on an important project. But the creed is to keep the industrial facilities program moving ahead as rapidly as possible — without expanding the present priorities system too much — until a controlled materials plan takes over.

It was regarded as certain that issuance of Regulation 4 under NPA's Directive 1 had moved the date of the CMP closer to realization. Regulation 4 came late in February, covering with priority ratings the procurement of equipment and supplies for maintenance, repair and operation of the facilities of all establishments in the country. This was a broad application of priorities indeed.

But it was needed urgently, according to Manly Fleischmann, NPA acting administrator. "We cannot let the need for materials and equipment to build new facilities interfere with the maintenance of existing capacity," he said. "We can afford a few pounds of metal today to keep a machine running rather than several tons tomorrow to make a replacement machine. And this way we avoid the loss of production and employment that would result if we allowed our present equipment to fall into disrepair."

The agency takes the attitude that the MRO order will not interfere in any manner with the defense program because the materials required constitute a small percentage of the total supply. Nobody is required to use the new ratings assigned to purchase his MRO supplies; but if he does so, he becomes bound by the limitations of the regula-



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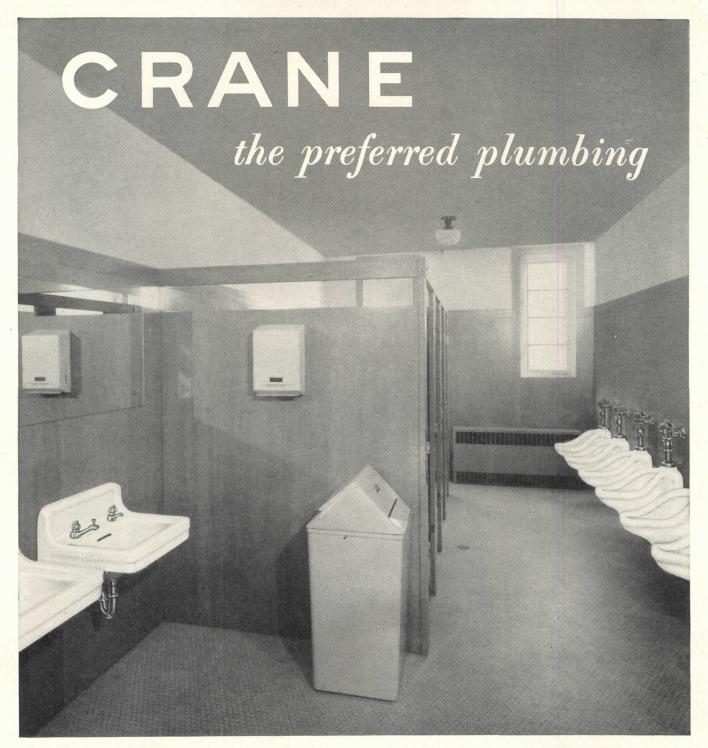
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Action on Credit Curbs Hit

Shortly after the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Housing and Home Finance Agency extended the coverage of Regulation X, the real estate transaction credit curb, to include most nonresidential properties of the commercial type, these same agencies also announced that Regulation X would be relaxed in two known defense areas: the Savannah River region near Aiken, S. C., and the area around Paducah, Ky.

These steps were taken against a back-

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ground of industry criticism that the commercial restrictions went too far, and that the federal government should have eased the curbs on housing sales long before it did.

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In answer to a request from the Society of Industrial Realtors to clarify the Regulation X extension, the Board of Governors ruled that plant offices and warehousing will be considered as designed for use in processing materials, and therefore not subject to the regulation, if they are an integral part of the operations involved in the processing of such materials, goods, or articles.

Following is the new FRB interpretation which has gone out to all Federal Reserve Banks:

". . . Office buildings and warehouses, as well as other buildings are ordinarily subject to the regulation. They are not subject to the regulation, however, if they fall within one of the exclusions from the definition of 'nonresidential structures'. . . . It is the opinion of the Board that space in such structures as office buildings and warehouses is used or designed for use in processing materials, goods, or articles into finished or partly finished manufactured products where such office building or warehouse is essential to and an integral part of the operations involved in the processing of such materials, goods or articles. Unless the office building or warehouse, however, is essential to the processing operation and an integral part thereof, it is subject to the regulation."

New construction for use by manufacturing or mining businesses or for various farm uses also is exempted if more than 80 per cent of the floor space of the new building is employed (1) in processing materials, goods, or articles into finished or partly finished manufactured products; (2) in mining or otherwise extracting raw materials; or (3) on farm property in the production, shelter, or storage incidental thereto of crops, livestock or other agricultural commodities.

One important facet in the involved extension of Regulation X to the non-residential property transactions is this:

Construction loans made to subcontractors and others except the owners are exempt when they have maturities not exceeding 24 months. Construction loans to owners of proposed nonresidential construction must conform to the regulation except that amortization is not required for 24 months under certain conditions.

X : M-4=?

There was some confusion over how the amendment by the Federal Reserve could be squared with the M-4 construction restriction of the National Production Authority. The Board, in its announcement, said extensions of credit in connection with any and all construction of nonresidential buildings permitted by the NPA would have to conform to the terms of its Regulation X. Then, FRB commented that "Regulation X will thus aid in the effective administration of the regulations issued by the National Production Authority in this field."

Relaxation of Regulation X in the two areas where Atomic Energy Commission installations are being constructed prompted speculation on how far this trend might go, and how soon.

The details of the relaxation of housing credit curbs at Aiken, S. C. and Paducah, Ky., came in the same week that the Banking committees of Congress were considering the defense housing bill for final action. In fact, the House committee, under Chairman Brent Spence (D-Ky.), reported its measure out and hoped for early approval by the Rules committee and immediate floor consideration. The Senate counterpart, after some of its members had visited the Aiken site and the Levittown housing development of builder William Levitt on Long Island to study his speedy methods of home construction, began its executive sessions on the big multi-billion dollar measure at the same time.

X Relaxed in Defense Areas

Housing Administrator Raymond M. Foley took the first big step in announcing relaxation of credit curbs on a selective and controlled basis as the first move toward meeting "part of the housing need" at the two locations. Intention was to facilitate private construction of additional housing for employes to be moved into the areas for work at Atomic Energy Commission installations. Under this new Regulation X adjustment a flood of applications from private builders was anticipated. In fact, the an-

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nouncement of final details was delayed until a large supply of the forms could be printed. Housing so constructed will have to be held for occupancy by the immigrant workers, and those actually employed at the defense installation, it was understood. Furthermore, these workers must be certified by the AEC.

Mr. Foley's announcement was made with the concurrence of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve SysWASHINGTON (Cont. from p. 23)

tem, which had previously amended Regulation X to permit terms different from those prescribed by the Regulation to apply to specific new construction necessary to the national defense. The Board also authorized the announcement of the specific terms as set forth by Mr. Foley for use in connection with non-government aided financing in the two areas.

The relaxations for housing within

reasonable commuting distance are restricted to specific rental housing which will be programmed by HHFA as to the number of units, size and rentals, and to sales housing for which the AEC will issue certificates for eligible purchasers - all of which will be exclusively for AEC personnel and those of its contractors at the two installations. It is estimated that 1000 such housing units will be built at Paducah, while at Savannah River the estimated need is for approximately 3600 units, of which only about 500 can be built at this time because of lack of community facilities to service more than that number. As facilities become available, it is planned to extend the credit relaxation to a greater number of houses.

Any other housing built in these areas will continue to be subject to Regulation X and related real estate credit restrictions as before. Quotas for rental and sales housing out of the totals for which credit controls are relaxed will be announced by the representatives of the Housing Administrator in the localities.

The housing to be built at both installations under the revised terms falls into two general classes, with a different schedule of credit terms for each — one-through four-family housing and multi-unit residences.

As an example of the degree of liberalization brought about by the amendment: the purchaser of a \$9000 house is required under Regulation X and the companion FHA regulation to make a down payment of \$1900. Under the new terms the down payment requirement will be \$1400 or 15.6 per cent of the total price, instead of the 21 per cent down payment requirement under Regulation X.

Defense workers who are veterans and who purchase homes with G.I. guaranteed loans in the Paducah or Sayannah River areas will continue to enjoy preferential terms over non-veterans.

The HHFA has opened offices in the two defense areas, managed by two special representatives of the Housing Administrator. Paul E. Ferrero Jr. is in charge of the Savannah River office at Aiken, S. C. Joseph Tufts is in charge of the Paducah office. Both offices began immediately to give out applications for permits to build the rental units authorized under the relaxed controls.

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index for city A = 110index for city B = 95

(both indexes must be for the same type of construction).

Then: costs in A are approximately 16 per cent higher than in B.

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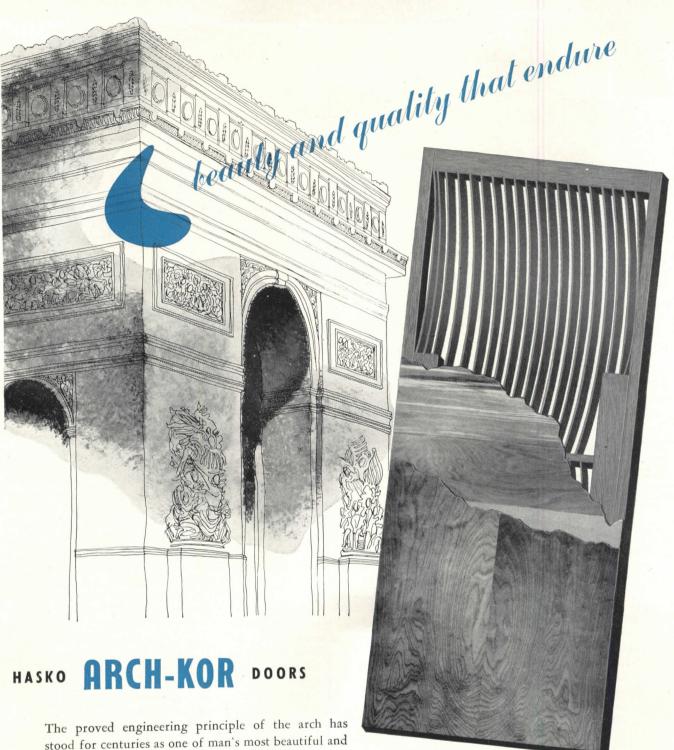
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Cost comparisons cannot be made between different types of construction because the index numbers for each type relate to a different U. S. average for 1926–29.

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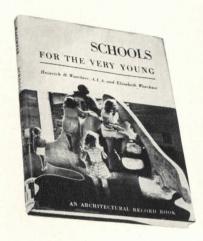
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PRESCHOOLS

Schools for the Very Young: An Architectural Record Book. By Heinrich H. Waechter, A.I.A., and Elisabeth Waechter. F. W. Dodge Corp. (119 West 40th St., New York 19, N. Y.), 1951. 73% by 10 in. 184 pp., illus., \$6.50.

REVIEWED BY ARNOLD GESELL, M.D.*

This book has several virtues. It combines the outlook of an architect and of an educator in its man and wife authorship. It reflects first-hand contacts with numerous "preschools" both in America and abroad. The introduction and a bibliography of 187 titles show an awareness of the social forces which are demanding more generous school provisions for children from two to six years of age.

During the last three decades the status of the preschool child has undergone a revolutionary change. Under the urgency of World War II, preschool child care centers and nursery units were multiplied on a vast scale. Here and there the nursery school has been made an integral part of our public school system. The present cultural crisis will create new problems and new solutions which inevitably come to a focus in community efforts to protect the welfare of the family unit and its

*Research Consultant, Gesell Institute of Child Development, New Haven, Connecticut. young children. There are so many social factors converging in this protection that the focus is easily blurred, particularly if the architect fails to see his role.

The authors recognize the diversity of these factors in their discussion of the preschool as part of community planning which may variously involve housing developments, a children's hospital, a child guidance center, a factory, a shopping center, a training center for handicapped children, a cooperative neighborhood, a college education, a public elementary school. The volume is illustrated with a wide array of floor plans and photographs. The photographs although concretely suggestive, scarcely convey an adequate impression of the manifold activities, both child and adult, which occur in the course of a preschool day.

It is these activities in their context as well as their essence, which must provide the functional basis for imaginative architectural planning. Ideally, a preschool is a vital center not only for the young child; but for adults and adolescents, for parents and older siblings; for the teen-agers who are taking homemaking courses; for nurses, social workers, doctors and medical students who have professional and prospective interests in this crucial area of child development. For such reasons, the architec-

tural arrangements should definitely provide one-way observation facilities and other adjuncts which will enable adults and adolescents to participate more fully in "the miracle of life" and growth which transpires too much unseen.

In our zeal to provide schools it is easy to forget that the very young have a great deal to teach us. Architecturally and socially it is possible to plan accordingly.

The composition of nursery school groups varies enormously, with the age, temperaments and the home background of the individual children, to say nothing about the interpersonal imponderables which are introduced by the individualities of the guidance teachers. The authors therefore stress the importance of flexibility in basic layout and in movable sub-units and fixtures: "If there is but one playroom, school children of all ages from two to six are together and the room should be so diversified that different age groups can be formed or the individual child can follow activities of his own choice. The activities are so manifold that not only should special corners be provided for solitary play. domestic plays, music, wet play, block building, etc., but the main area should be large enough to provide sufficient flexibility for constant changes. In many instances there are enough children in the school to arrange rooms for each of several groups."

Two of seven chapters deal with preschool outdoor space and various technological problems of construction, lighting, ventilation, color, equipment and furnishings, abundantly illustrated by contemporary examples. The concreteness of exposition and the suggestiveness of the comment will reward both the technical and the general reader.

This volume marks a comprehensive approach to an extremely important field of human welfare — an area which is destined to increase rather than diminish in significance for it touches the vital center of a democratic culture, namely the status of child and family.

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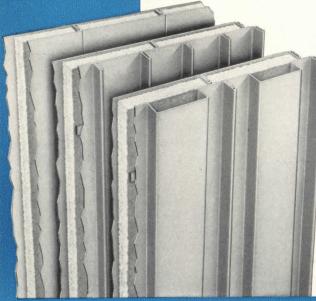
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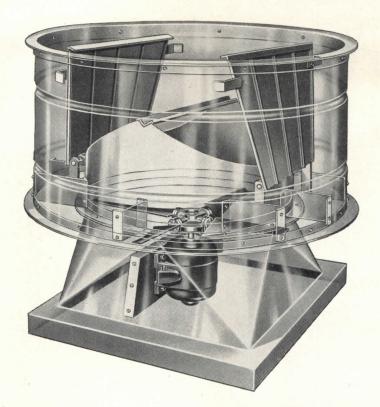
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OLD NEW ENGLAND

Salem Interiors: Two Centuries of New England Taste and Decoration. By Samuel Chamberlain. Hastings House (41 East 50th St., New York 22, New York), 1950. 7 by $9\frac{1}{2}$ in. 176 pp., illus. \$6.00.

Readers of Mr. Chamberlain's earlier books will not be disappointed in this latest volume by him despite its limited scope. For many of the old Salem houses pictured here still retain their original furnishings, displayed just as they were a hundred or two hundred years ago, and many of them also contain examples of Samuel McIntire's wood carving. "The skill and subtlety of this gifted architect-craftsman," Mr. Chamberlain says, "who was inspired by the Brothers Adam but still remained a creative genius in his own right, had a lasting effect on American decoration. Salem had an almost complete monopoly on his work.'

Mr. Chamberlain has let his excellent photos speak for themselves, confining his text to a foreword and brief captions. Some 52 historic Salem houses are represented, including many which are not open to the public. They are shown in chronological order, each with a capsule history, and a small photo of the exterior.

The book was prepared, of course, more for the general public than for the architect, and the text is devoted mainly to ownership records, color schemes, and furnishings. It is rather too bad, however, that there is almost no mention of who designed the houses, or of materials used in construction. Such information would have increased the value of the book without jeopardizing its appeal.

WHERE-TO-FIND-IT

The Architectural Index for 1950. Compiled and edited by Ervin J. Bell. The Architectural Index (1904 Bellaire St., Denver 7, Colo.), 1951. 6 by 87/8 in. 32 pp. \$2.00.

This booklet is an index to the buildings and articles, architects and designers published in the four domestic architectural publications during the year 1950. Buildings are classified under general building types; foreign buildings are listed under the foreign country. Articles are indicated under subject, and news items and technical literature have been omitted.

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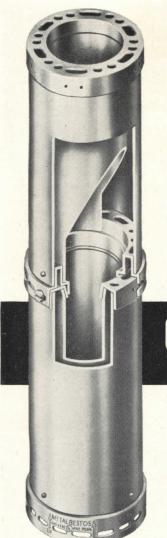
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one which will be tremendously useful to those in the architectural field. This reviewer wishes that Mr. Bell might have used inclusive page numbers, and will be happy to see the day when Mies van der Rohe is to be found under M where he belongs. Also, Mr. Bell might pay more careful attention to the spelling of proper names.

In spite of its shortcomings (which easily can be ironed out in future issues) Mr. Bell's compilation is a truly helpful contribution to architects, engineers and students.

NEW EDITIONS

JOHN NASH, ARCHITECT

John Nash. Architect to King George IV. By John Summerson. George Allen & Unwin, Ltd. (40 Museum St., London W.C. 1), 2nd ed., 1949. Distributed by the Macmillan Co. (60 Fifth Ave., New York 11, N. Y.), 5½ by 8½ in. 300 pp., illus. \$3.75.

Mr. Summerson's biography of the 18th and 19th centuries' prominent English architect is an astute and often entertaining book, and a learned contribution to the history of architecture. The results of the author's research include critical information, photographs and drawings, source material, etc. The second edition remains much the same as the first, with only minor improvements and corrections.

BOOKS RECEIVED

Creating Better Cities. Chamber of Commerce of the United States, Washington, D. C.

— A complete report on the third Businessmen's Conference on Urban Planning.

Laboratory Design. Edited by H. S. Coleman, with an introduction by Roland Wank. Reinhold Publishing Corp., New York
— National Research Council report on design, construction and equipment of laboratories.

Related Instruction. Construction and Civic Development Dept., Chamber of Commerce of the United States, Washington, D. C.—A key to apprentice training programs in construction.





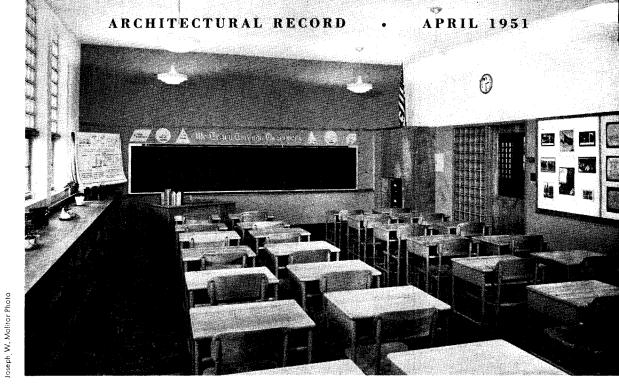
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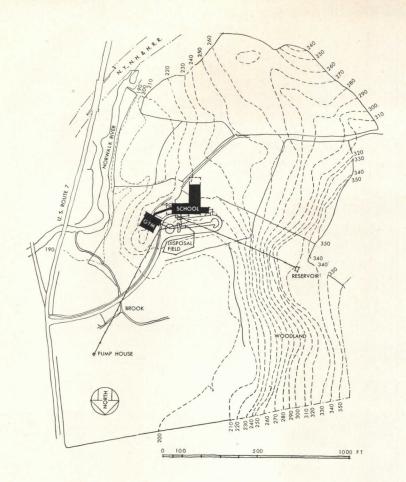
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WILTON, CONN., BUILDS A SCHOOL



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WILTON JUNIOR

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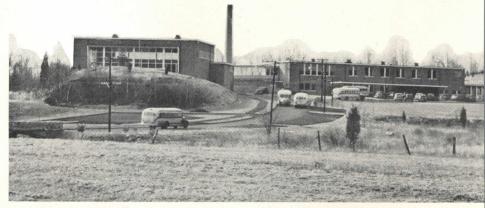
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HIGH SCHOOL

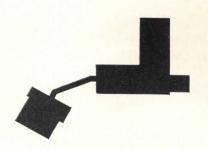
Wilton, Connecticut

Thousands of american communities are now involved in building schools. Since a school is probably the greatest cultural or financial undertaking of the average community, the democratic process comes into play; the school project almost invariably excites local discussion which, violent or passive, cannot help but leave its mark on the resultant building. Emotions and desires of the school child's parents must be reconciled with practical points of view, memories of bygone schooldays with the aims of modern educators, costs of site, professional services, construction and maintenance with the tax rate. Today still other uncertainties plague building committees: however stringent controls over



Conceived first as an elementary school with a junior-high wing, but built as a junior high school with the knowledge that it would temporarily house grades 4 through 9, Wilton's new school sits in the middle of 65 rolling acres. From a car on Route 7 the gymnasium (far left) dominates the land-scape even by night; it is in almost constant use by school or community groups

WILTON SCHOOL



Designed throughout with no frills, Wilton Junior High at first caused some local comment on esthetic grounds. Some called it a factory, not a school, particularly after the tall brick stack was built. The tall stack with a round flue provided the most effective natural draft, permitting not only most efficient boiler size but also conversion to coal in time of emergency without installation of forced draft systems. The architects' rejoinder also included an exposition of the costs entailed by a stylistic approach to design. So important was the cost question that the gymnasium was planned for possible later construction, but a fortunately low bid by a reputable contractor permitted gym and school to be built at one time

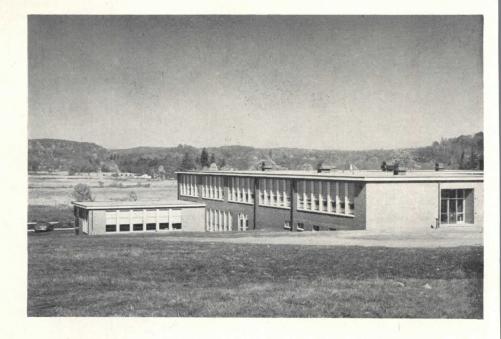


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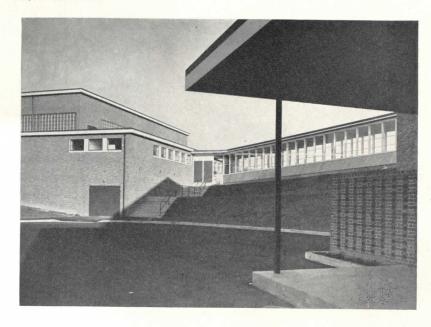
Dedication ceremonies (above) took place in September, 1950, only 26 months after authorization to start on drawings for the final scheme. Below, Building Committee Chairman Nelson Hurlbutt formally opens the building. Mr. Hurlbutt, one of Wilton's most respected and conservative citizens, and Mr. Miller, Board Chairman, were constant visitors to the job particularly during the last hectic rush to finish in time



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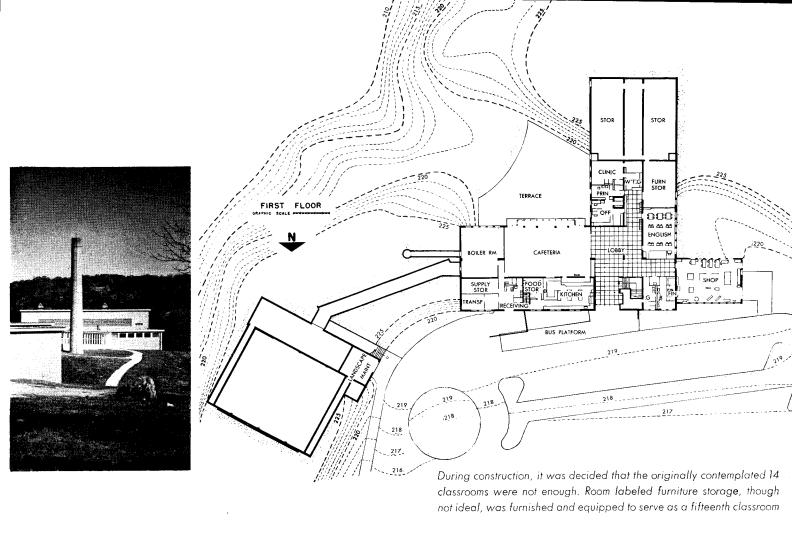
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| \$351,172.25 119,511.51 6,913.76 |
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| \$477,597.52 |
| 58,042.38 |
| \$535,639.90 |
| \$ 4,445.50 6,662.75 36,768.37 |
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UNIT BUILDING COSTS

(based on \$477,597.52)

| Number of classrooms | 15 |
|----------------------|--------------|
| Cost per classroom | \$ 31,839.83 |
| Designed occupancy | 420 |
| Cost per student | |
| Total volume | |
| Cost per cu ft | |
| Total area | |
| Cost per sq ft | _ |



materials may become, there will certainly be high costs and some shortages to place a premium on ingenuity of design. In other words, the democratic process of building a school not only requires that the architect be technically and artistically competent, or that he know contract law, supply sources and labor's capabilities. He must also be a diplomat, a guidance counsellor — publicly or in private — ready to collaborate in the town's behalf with the intensely interested lay citizens. Nowhere is the broad scope of professional architectural activity better illustrated than in such a school as this one in the small suburban town of Wilton, Connecticut.

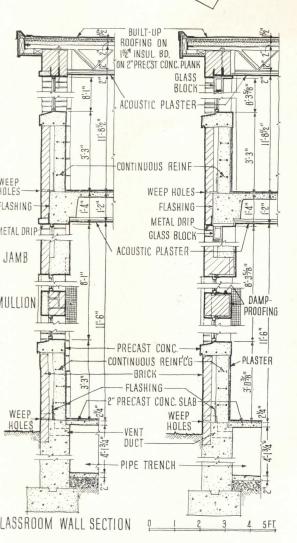
The school's history is long and complex. Ninety years ago Wilton had a population of 2200. By 1920 it had dropped to under 1300, but with good roads and automobiles it has increased to about 4500 in 1950 and is still growing. On the rim of New York's metropolitan area. Wilton is on the receiving end of the flight to the suburbs which is affecting countless outlying American communities. Most of its new population, arrived since 1940, consists of commuter families. As a group these are substantial people, interested in civic affairs, appreciative of Wilton's semi-rural advantages and also determined to continue improving the school housing situation.

Since its several one-room schools were abandoned many years ago, two schools have served Wilton's children: the Center School, located in its approximate geographical, business and population center; and Gilbert and Bennett School in its extreme North end. The latter draws pupils from "School District No. 10", which is made up of parts of Wilton and of the neighboring towns of Redding, Ridgefield and Weston. Until now, Wilton's school system, not large enough for complete autonomy, has been administered by a regional superintendent who also oversees several other communities. Within a short while, however, it is likely to grow sufficiently to warrant having its own superintendent.

By the mid-30's it had become apparent that the Center School was overcrowded. Its kindergarten was functioning in an adjoining remodeled private house. In 1940, concurrently with the acceleration of population growth, Wilton bought a 65-acre tract on U. S. Route 7, the Danbury Pike, along which were strung, ribbon-fashion, most of the town's few businesses and industries. At one time the tract was projected as a war memorial recreational center in which a school building would be an incidental, but before long school needs became dominant. In 1940, also, a survey group from Yale recommended establishment of a regional high school for Wilton and two adjacent communities. At this time, and indeed until the Junior High School was opened in the fall of 1950, Wilton's junior and senior high students attended school in another neighboring town, Westport; seventh and eighth graders went to Gilbert and Bennett School, and District 10 sent its secondary students to Danbury High School.

By September, 1945, a School Planning Committee had been appointed and reported to a typical New Eng-

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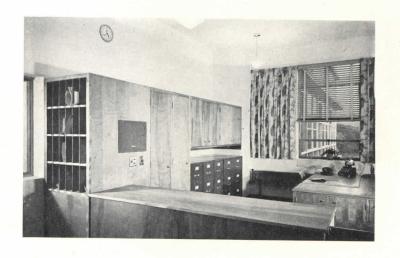
During construction the builder found that the cavity wall with inner cinder block withe exposed was costly and time-consuming to lay up. He was permitted to plaster interiors (at slight extra cost) to obtain a better finish more quickly; details of cast sills, piers, and brick bands at window heads were changed accordingly. At left, wall as designed; right, as built. In main building, bearing wall construction was used to avoid delays—and resulting increased labor costs—contingent on use of steel. This accounts for the brick mullions



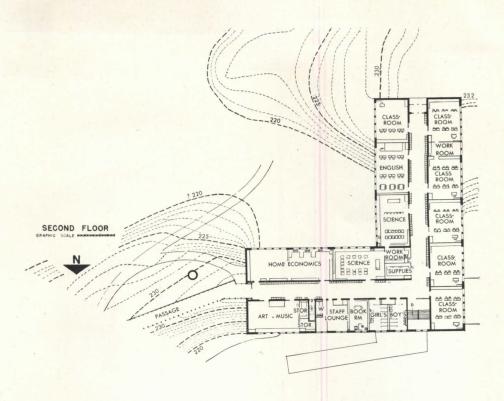
Unposed photo of children leaving a class indicates students' healthy pride in their new building



Top of page, science room; immediately above, typical classroom for lower grades; below, administrative office, unpretentious and friendly in design







Upper grade students occupy second floor rooms. Some rooms designed for secondary school classes are small for elementary school use; occasionally such a project as a long mural is painted on wrapping paper spread out on corridor floor

land Town Meeting that the regional high school had been voted down by one of the towns. An Elementary School Building Committee was constituted to get an elementary school for Wilton. By March, 1946, this committee had selected O'Connor and Kilham as its architects, Westport had notified the Wilton Board of Education that after 1950 it could not take Wilton's junior high students, a ninth grade was added to the scheme, and the first moneys were appropriated.

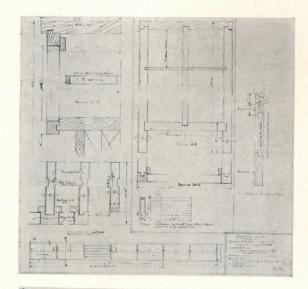
The minutes of Town Meetings, held at frequent intervals over the next two years, tell only a part of the story. As more money had to be appropriated and taxes inevitably rose, so also did the level of local interest. There were pro-elementary school, pro-junior-high-school and anti-any-school groups. At a Town Meeting and innumerable public gatherings and group meetings Walter Kilham, representing his firm, was called on to explain, to counsel, to offer alternatives. O'Connor and Kilham eventually prepared complete plans and specifications for an elementary school.

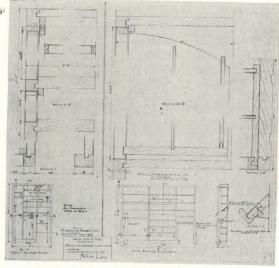
Then the storm broke. Just before Christmas, 1947, the antis, out in full force, succeeded in rescinding the construction money appropriation by a decisive vote. However, the pros demanded an impartial school survey and Wilton hired Englehardt, Englehardt and Leggett for the purpose. These respected authorities recommended immediate construction of a junior high school which would temporarily house grades 4 through 9, later construction of an elementary school in South Wilton near a core of dense school population, and

eventual construction of a senior high school and another elementary school on the central 65-acre site. In mid-1948 the necessary funds were appropriated, O'Connor and Kilham were reimbursed for their work to date and were authorized to proceed with the junior high school.

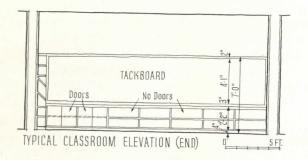
The new building was opened in the fall of 1950. The democratic process, slow but certain, had carried out the will of the majority. It had also provided a severe test of all the professional capabilities of the architects, which, one can safely say, only a few citizens truly appreciate. Nor could any reasonable fee fully compensate the architects; much of their reward must come from knowing that Wilton's people are almost unanimously proud of their new school.

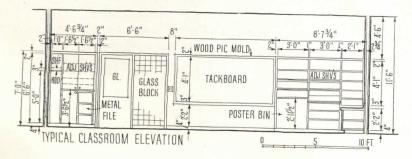
Some architects of schools have followed the practice of staying in the background and preparing an explanatory brochure for the Building Committee to issue. Wilton had been flooded with propaganda, written, printed and oral, during the entire long preliminary period. One more brochure would have been just one more brochure. Interviews with Wilton citizens who had been deeply involved leave no doubt that the architects' patience, diligence and good humor were exemplary from the day they were first interviewed by the Building Committee to the job's completion. Construction cost for the building itself, not including site work, fees, furnishings or equipment, was 77½ cents per cubic foot. How this phenomenally low figure was achieved is explained in accompanying captions.





Cabinet work drawings were made in no greater detail than 1/4 in. scale elevations (below); sizes of plywood and types of joints were carefully specified. The mill man made shop drawings directly from these, reducing drafting costs and ensuring a surprisingly high level of craftsmanship for so low-cost a job

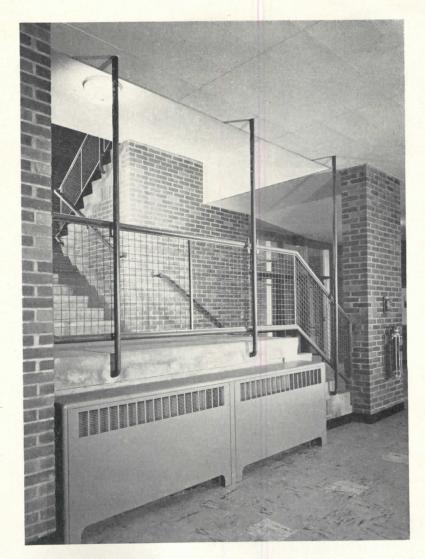




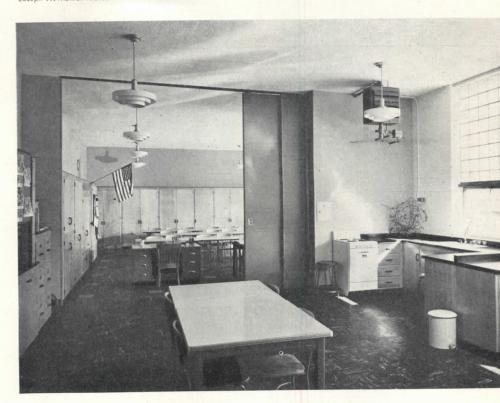


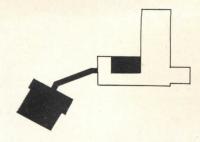
Above is home economics laboratory, with gas and electric equipment because both are in local use. Bottom right, home economics classroom, separated from laboratory by a sliding wall. Upper right, stair from lobby to second floor

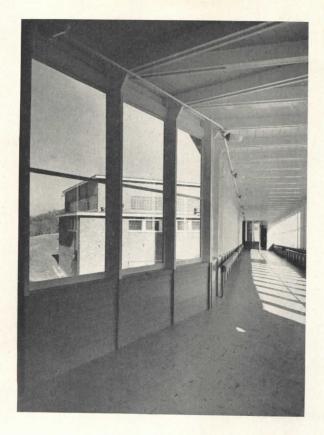


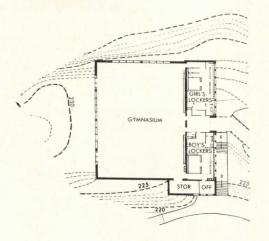


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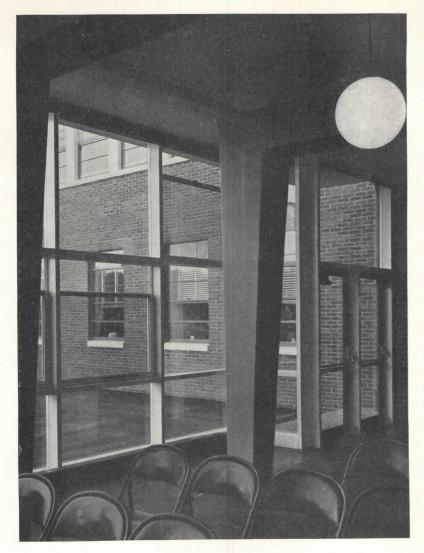


A long corridor ramps gently down the slope from school proper to gymnasium building. The gym not only accommodates school and non-school athletics; it serves also as bad-weather play space during recesses. The large expanses of fixed glass, protected by steel screens, make the most of the attractive surrounding countryside. Construction is similar to that prevailing elsewhere in school: cavity walls, steel roof framing supporting built-up roof; concrete underfloor, here with a floating maple finish floor



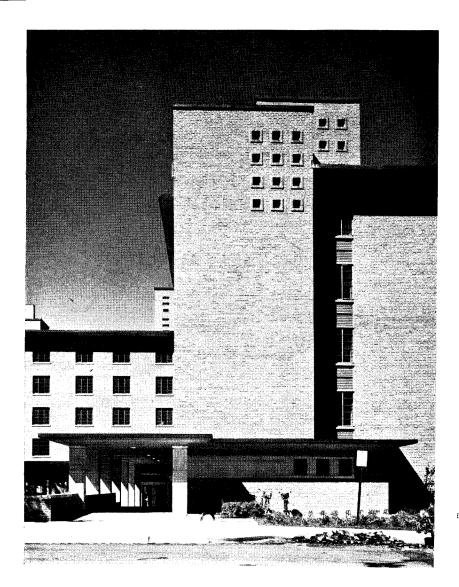


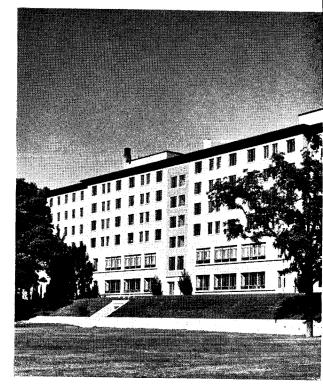
Cafeteria kitchen (above) is staffed partly by paid help, partly by school mothers, who also participate actively in many school-community functions. Cafeteria (right and below) can serve 200 at a sitting. It also becomes, on occasion, the school assembly room, meeting room and even dance hall for community and school gatherings. Stage consists of portable platforms at far end; stage curtain is hung from one of the rigid concrete frames. Heating throughout is steam, fired by burners utilizing lowest-cost grade of oil; can be converted to coal



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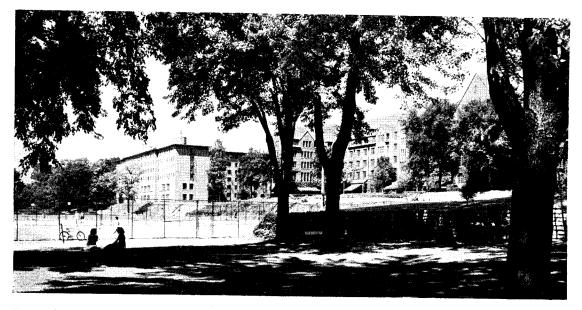






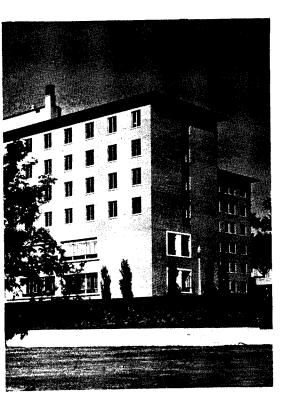
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ALICE CROCKER LLOYD RESIDENCE HALL



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Photos: top of page, left to right: entrance, West facade; entrance court. Immediately above: looking across women's playfield, with Alice Crocker Lloyd Hall visible at left



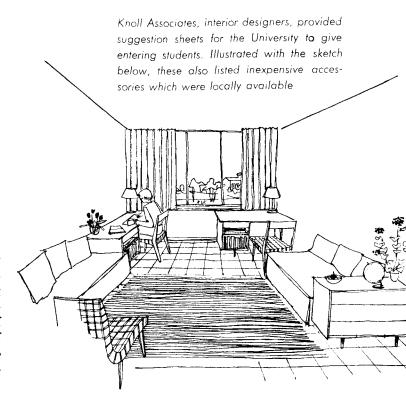


University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Clair W. Ditchy, Architect

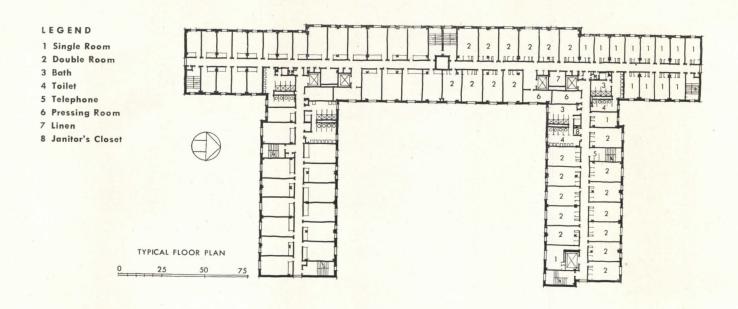
Lynn W. Fry, Supervising Architect

When alice crocker lloyd hall was designed, in 1945, costs of labor and materials were continuously mounting, and consequently programming was subject to constant change. Many desirable features were eliminated, others stripped of non-essentials. At the same time, the original capacity of 400 was increased to 512; while the site first chosen was abandoned and another selected along a precipitous bank which rose thirty feet from the women's playfield to a campus street.

This situation was not without advantages. Cost prohibited slate roofs or stone-brick-and-halftimber extravagances. The solution had to be simple and direct, with reliance on materials, proportions, contrast and interior color. The program required four houses or student groups with certain common facilities and others—such as director, government, living and dining rooms, etc.—repeated for each house. The site prevented symmetrical arrangement, so the capacities of the four houses are not equal. The long main block of the building faces West, overlooking the playfield. To the East, or street, side are two projecting wings flanking a pleasantly landscaped court.



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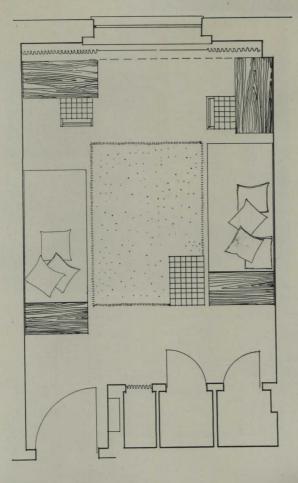
After the structure was completed, Knoll Associates were engaged to select, provide and place furnishings in student rooms and public areas. Because color was important to the entire concept, the interior designers took into consideration not only walls, drapes and furniture but also asphalt tile flooring, to attain harmony and simplicity. Glass has been used generously; the plan is open; natural vistas increase the rooms' attractiveness.

Construction is reinforced concrete and steel with brick and stone exterior walls, built-up roofing with vermiculite fill insulation; and gypsum tile partitions surfaced with plaster, wood and tile. Ceilings are acoustically treated; casements are steel; entrance doors are aluminum; interior doors, flush wood. Heat is supplied by the University plant.

Landscaping: University of Michigan
Interiors: Knoll Associates
Mechanical Engineering: N. B. Hubbard
Structural Engineering: Ray W. Covey
Kitchen Layout: J. Earl Stephens
General Contractor: George A. Fuller Co.

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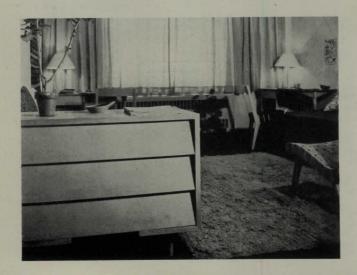




Typical double room, approximately 11½ by 14 ft lincluding closets), appears spacious because furniture is simple, small in scale and carefully placed. A single unit at each bed serves as headboard, night table and dresser; these face the closets, which include an alcove for bad weather clothing and shelves for accessories. Such items as the triple-purpose dresser and other economies permitted inclusion of an additional lounge chair and curtains in each room within a low budget. The five basic color schemes were picked up in asphalt tile flooring, curtains, and webbed chair seats. All walls are off-white







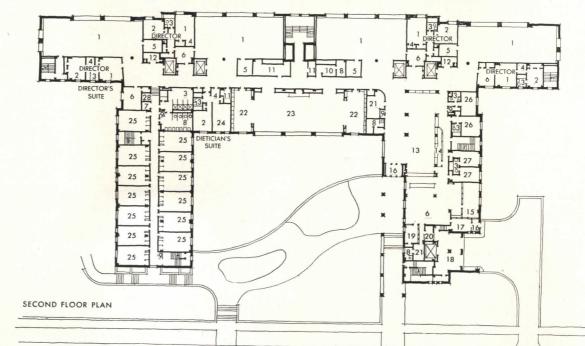
MICHIGAN DORMITORY: PUBLIC ROOMS





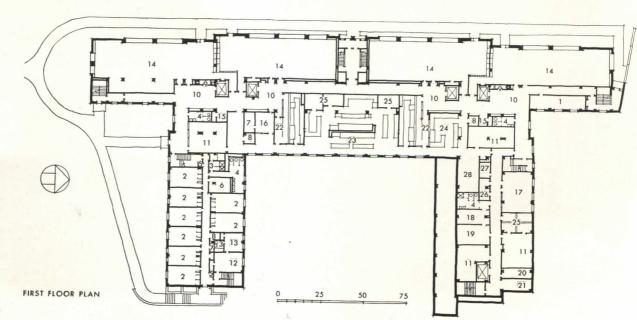
LEGEND

- 1 Living Room
- 2 Bed Room
- 3 Bath Room
- 4 Kitchenette
- 5 Tea Preparation
- 6 Office
- 7 Janitor's Closet
- 8 Toilet
- 9 Tel Booth
- 10 Powder Rm
- 11 Storage
- 12 Incinerator, Linen Chute 13 Lobby
- 14 Mail Boxes
- 15 Tel Switchboard
- 16 Vestibule
- 17 Receiving
- 18 Loading Room 19 Dietitian
- 20 Supplies
- 21 Coats 22 Library
- 23 Lounge
- 24 Living Rm
- 25 Double Room 26 Single Room
- 27 Chaperone 28 Laundry Closet



LEGEND

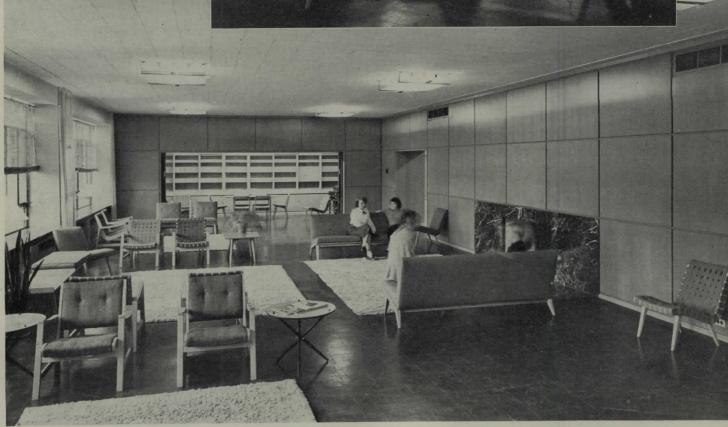
- Study
- 2 Double Room
- 3 Bath
- 4 Toilet
- Tel Booth
- 6 Pressing Room
- 7 Linen Room 8 Jan. Closet
- Incin., Linen Chute
- 10 Lobby 11 Storage
- 12 Living Rm 13 Bed Rm
- 14 Dining Room
- 15 Book Alcove 16 Dietitian's Office
- 17 Help's Dining
 18 Locker Rm—Female
 Help
 19 Rest Room
- 20 Soap Storage
- 21 Waste Trucks
- 22 Serving
- 23 Kitchen
- 24 Dishwashing 25 Refrigerator 26 Can Washing
- 27 Towel Drying 28 Pot and Pan Washing



Photos: far left, main lobby; left, looking from lobby through an elevator hall to a living room; right, one of the living rooms; center below, main lounge with library alcoves at ends







Kitchen has two serving rooms (photo at right), one at each end; each serves two dining rooms. Circulation has been carefully studied throughout building. Passenger elevators, one per house, discharge on main (second) floor into a wide passage from which public rooms are reached. Each living room has its individual color scheme, expressed in upholstery fabrics (washable plastics, durable cottons), and floors and walls. Each of the four houses has its own entrance, used during daytime; for protection and control only the main entrance is open at night



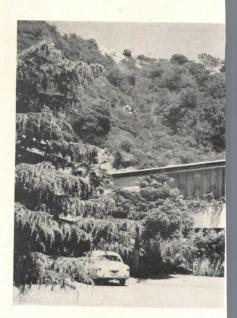
GOOD ARCHITECTURE PAYS DIVIDENDS

Bel Air Garden Apartments, West Los Angeles, Calif.

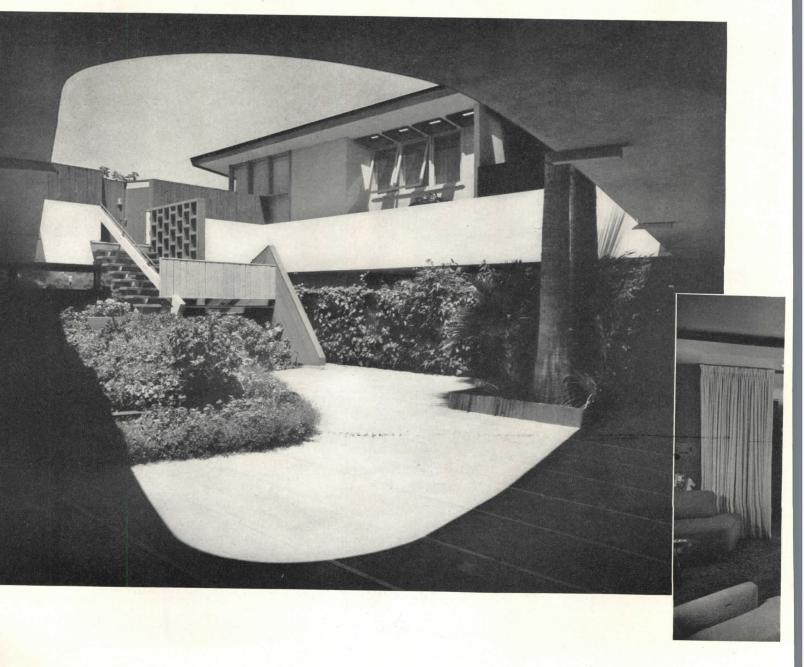
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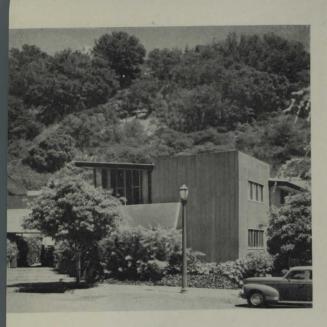
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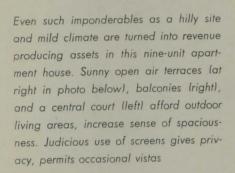
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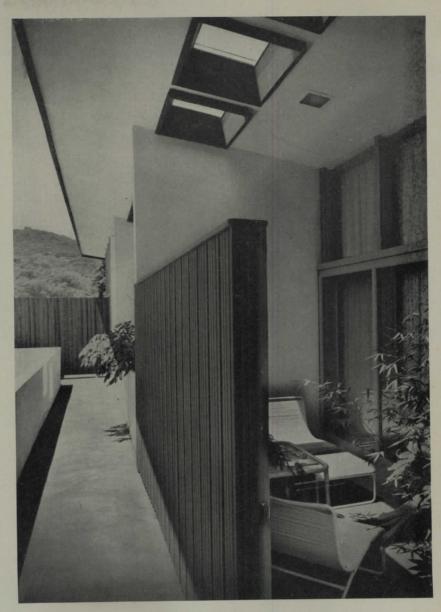


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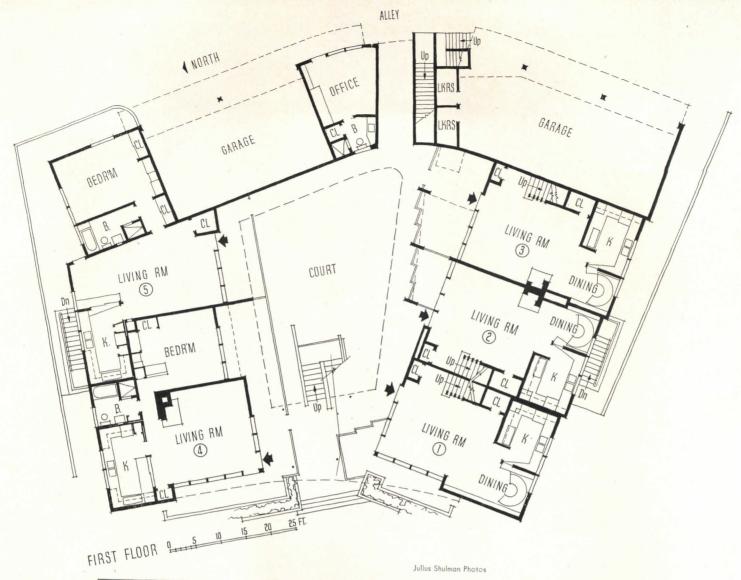




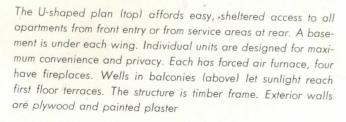
THAT CAREFUL ARCHITECTURAL PLANNING PAYS DIVI-DENDS is evident in this California apartment house: after a year's occupancy, the project shows a 20 per cent of gross investment return, contrasted with 12 per cent usually expected.

The owners desired to build a "luxury" apartment house on a relatively small, expensive site. After analyzing costs of property, construction and improvements, it was determined that six one-bedroom and three two-bedroom units were required to insure a safe investment. To justify the high rent, the architect was faced with the problem of providing a sense of space, a garage, and at least a minimum private outdoor living area for each unit.

The final solution incorporates many amenities for pleasant living within the confines of the limited plot. The building centers around a common garden, which serves as entrance lobby and as space for entertaining large groups. In addition, each unit has a small terrace, screened by a 6-ft fence for privacy. All landscaping for the project was designed by the architect.

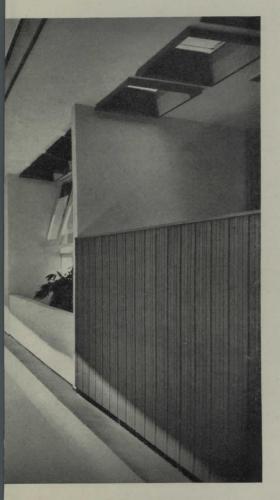








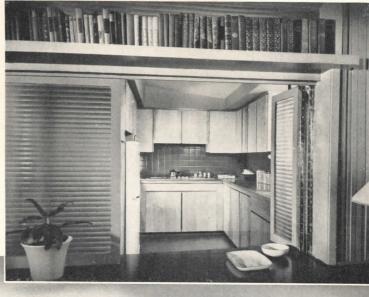






Wooden screens, integrated with building design (left), shield apartment entrances and extend usable living space (above). Openings in overhangs filter sunlight into living rooms

Pass windows and broad counters, as in this typical apartment (right and below), facilitate meal serving. Kitchen cabinets are finished in wood, walls are tile. Each apartment is equipped with refrigerator and built-in range and oven





Julius Shulman Photos

Service entrances and a garage for each apartment are located off the alley (right). The building has one laundry that can be scheduled for use. Each tenant is allotted 50 sq ft of storage area in the basement. The owner provides garden maintenance and limited maid service, and will also furnish an apartment if desired. Tenant reaction to the building and its operation is very favorable





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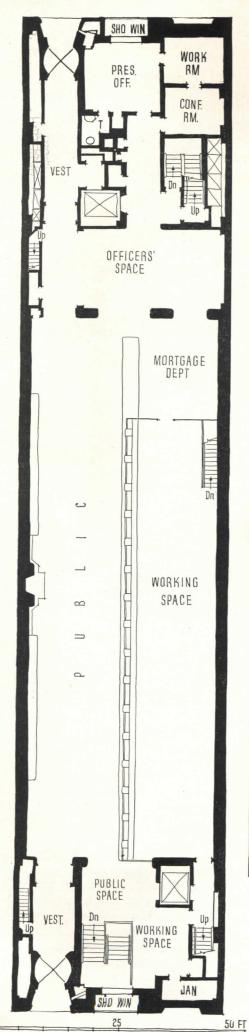
A COMPARATIVE GLANCE AT THREE NEW BANKS

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 Providence, Rhode Island
 Cram & Ferguson, Architects-Engineers
- 2. Central Branch, Continental Bank & Trust Co.
 Salt Lake City, Utah
 Snedaker & Macdonald, Architects
- 3. Broadway Savings Bank
 New York City
 Harold R. Sleeper, Architect
 Ackerman & Ramsey, Associates

Not so long ago the emphasis in bank design was on the monumental facade and the lofty interior considered essential to impress the general public with the institution's solidity. Banks were cold, unfriendly, over-ornamental, and quite frequently impractical from the public's point of view.

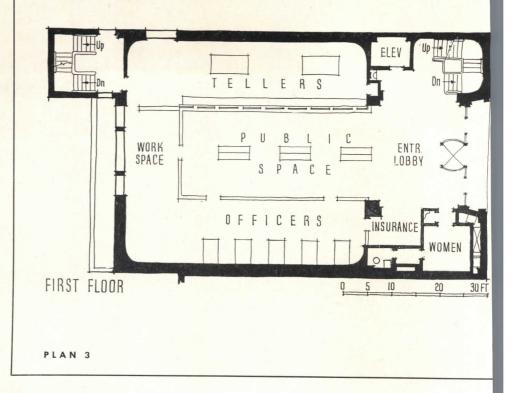
In recent years there has been a strong trend away from that old tradition. The banks being built today are straightforward expressions of their function; they are out not to impress the public but to attract it.

The three banks shown above and on the following six pages are far apart geographically. They are quite different in shape and size. Yet all three have treated their public areas, safe deposit facilities, and general working arrangements in much the same way. For purposes of comparison, they are shown here as a unit.



FIRST FLOOR

PLAN 1









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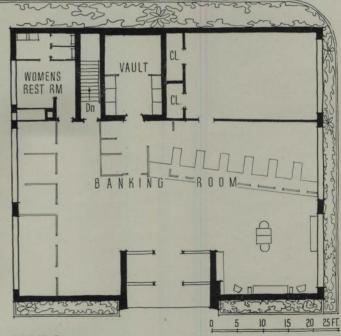


THREE NEW BANKS: PUBLIC SPACE

Despite the difference in overall shape of these three banks, each has a more-or-less rectangular public area, visible in its entirety from the main entrance. There is no island of tellers' cages around which the customer must play hide-and-seek, but instead a neat row of tellers' windows ranged along one side. Grille work is happily missing. Lighting is good, public desk and waiting space is convenient, ceilings are acoustically treated. Access to all facilities is obvious and easy. Of particular note are the skylighted ceiling of the People's Savings Bank (1) and the angled tellers' desks of the Continental Bank & Trust Co. (2).

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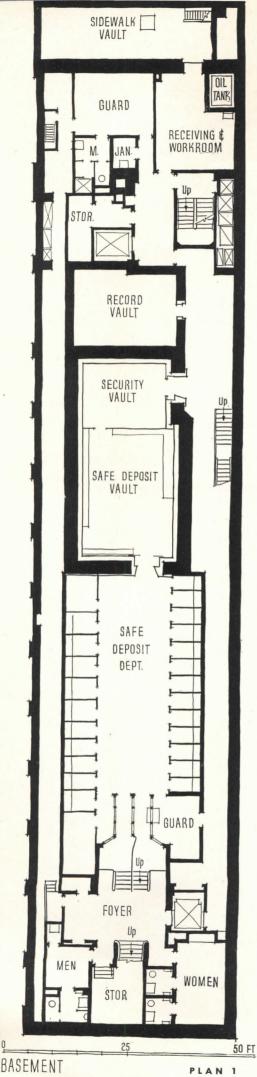
- 1. People's Savings Bank
- 2. Continental Bank & Trust Co.
- 3. Broadway Savings Bank



PLAN 2

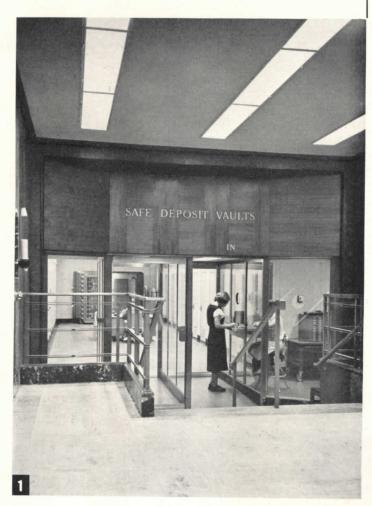






Because Providence has had several severe floods in the past (the 1938 hurricane caused a great deal of flood damage), special precautions were taken in the design of the People's Savings Bank (1). The architects describe the lower portion of the building as a heavy waterproof concrete box extending well above flood level. The four openings in the walls of the "box" — a show window and a door on each street front — are equipped with water-tight doors which are closed after banking hours or in case of flood. Each entrance doorway also has a low portable metal dam for use in case of shallow street floods, to protect the building and still permit access to it.

Should water seep in despite all these precautions, it would drain into a pit in the sub-basement and be removed by a waterproof electric pump capable of handling 250 gpm. A larger pump, with a capacity of 600 gpm, would go into action automatically if the smaller one should be overtaxed. The building has an emergency power plant on the 6th floor to provide power if the usual sources should fail.



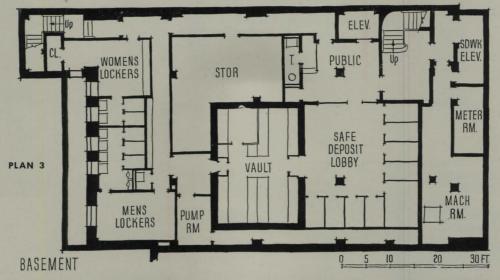
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THREE NEW BANKS:

SAFE DEPOSIT FACILITIES

- 1. People's Savings Bank
- 2. Continental Bank & Trust Co.
- 3. Broadway Savings Bank





THREE NEW BANKS: WORKING SPACE

Space allotted to bank employees has been carefully worked out in all three plans. Both of the larger buildings (1, 3) have well-lighted and pleasantly decorated employee dining rooms and kitchens on upper floors. All three banks have easy access from public to working areas, and conveniently placed officers' platforms. The smallest of the trio (2) has a compact built-in tellers' area.

1. People's Savings Bank



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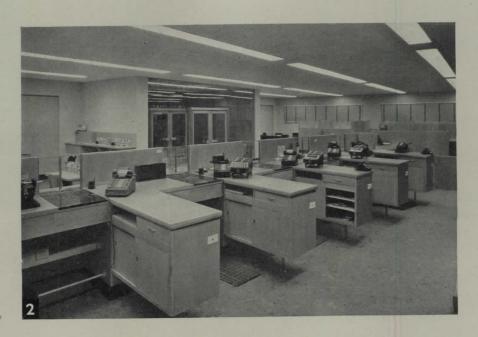


3. Broadway Savings Bank



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2. Continental Bank & Trust Co.

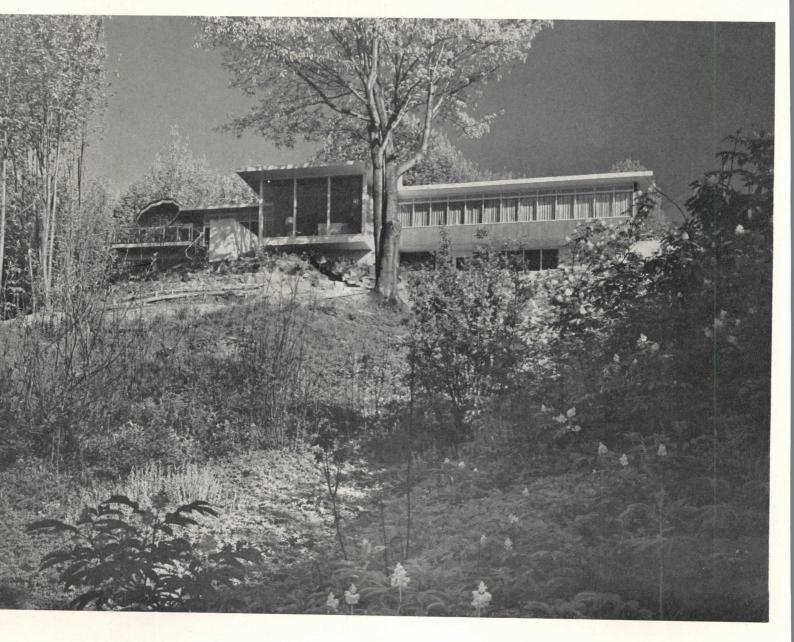


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HOUSE IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Residence of Mr. and Mrs. Trevor Roberts

Charles R. Pearson Photos



Young & Richardson

Architects & Engineers

Blue Ridge, Washington



The owners of this residence facing Puget Sound had an unusually long list of special requirements: the house must be of straightforward contemporary design and must have an office-display room for Mr. Roberts, a salesman; it must have a shop for him, since his hobbies are woodworking, carpentry and landscaping; it must have four bedrooms (the family consists of three adults and two children), a playroom with outdoor terrace, and a dining patio. Since the site is a sloping wooded hill overlooking Puget Sound and the Olympic Mountains, the house obviously also had to be oriented toward the view.

The plan which resulted (page 133), and the way in which it was carried out, subsequently brought Architects Young & Richardson an award from the Washington Chapter, A.I.A. Living and dining rooms, three bedrooms and the kitchen all face the view; so does the large

recreation room in the basement. A shop of generous proportions opens through the carport directly to the exterior. The office is strategically located just within the main entrance, virtually cut off from the rest of the house, and accessible from the shop, in effect giving Mr. Roberts a separate suite for his business and hobby requirements. The lower terrace has a built-in barbecue, and doubles as the play terrace and dining patio; the recreation room opens to it.

The house is of wood frame construction on a concrete foundation. Exterior walls are handsplit cedar siding, natural finish. The built-up roof is topped off with white marble chips to give overlooking residences a pleasant aspect — the first roof in the Northwest, the architects report, to be so treated for such a purpose. Heating is hot water panel in the concrete slab and hot water convectors in bedrooms and recreation room.

The sloping site permitted a basement recreation room over 30 ft long, opening to a paved terrace. The owner did much of the landscaping himself







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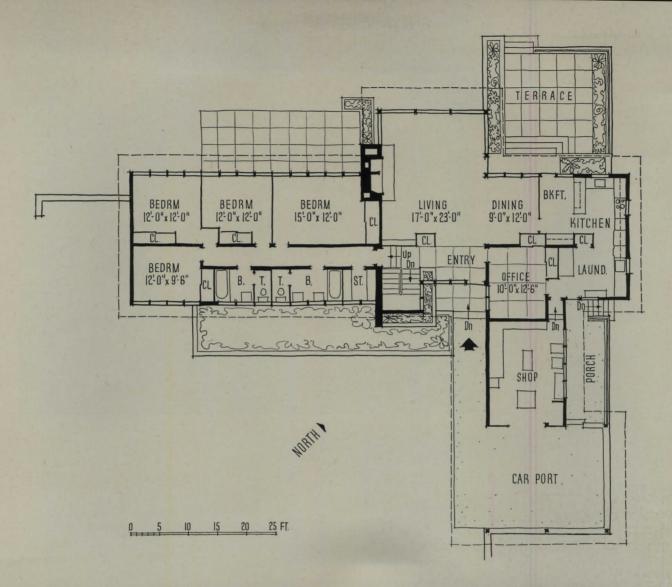
Above: a brick walk curves under living room windows toward lower terrace

Above right: upper terrace can be reached directly from living room and breakfast alcove as well as from lower level, but is completely secluded

Right: main feature of living room is the glass-walled alcove cantilevered out to take full advantage of the view

Far right: dining area is tied to living room with one wall of vertical T & G fir, but is really a separate room; door at extreme left leads to upper terrace







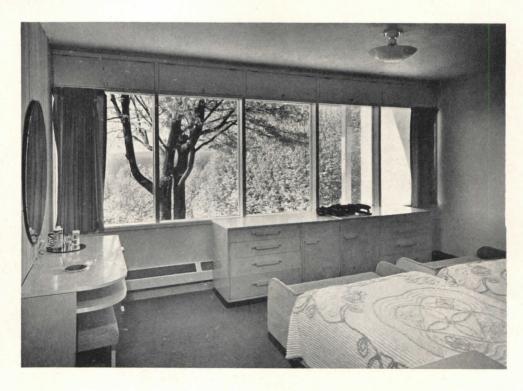




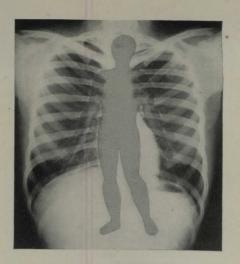
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Above: even the kitchen looks out on the Sound. Left: larger of the two baths has well-lighted sloping mirror. Below: three of the four bedrooms face the view



TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITALS*



THE NEED FOR HOSPITAL FACILITIES



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A THIS POINT in the development of the tuberculosis control program, the interest of the architectural profession in the construction of tuberculosis hospital facilities is particularly timely. Because the need for additional hospital facilities is great, architects will be called on frequently in the future to participate in planning to meet these needs.

Despite the tremendous gains we have made against tuberculosis in recent years, the disease is still very much with us. Tuberculosis continues to kill about 40,000 Americans each year, and there are perhaps 500,000 people in this country who have the disease, half of them without knowing it.

Because tuberculosis is a communicable disease, there are certain rather rigid prerequisites which must be met before the disease can be wiped out completely. First, since the presence of unrecognized and unknown cases in a community invariably means that new cases will develop through spread of the infection, every existing case of the disease must be found and identified. Second, all infectious cases must be isolated, in order to block further infection. And finally, the cases found and isolated must be given prompt treatment and returned to normal living fully capable of remaining well and non-infectious.

What has been our record of progress toward these goals? In case-finding, the record has been excellent. In providing for isolation and treatment, however, the record has not been so good.

By the most conservative estimate of our tuberculosis hospital requirements, it appears that we now have a little more than half of our barest needs. Actually, this estimate of our hospital bed deficiency is probably grossly understated because it is based on a minimum standard of $2\frac{1}{2}$ beds per annual death from the disease (an arbitrary standard established several years ago by the Medical Section of the National Tuberculosis Association for want of a better yardstick). With progressive improvement in treatment, fewer tuberculosis patients are dying of the disease so that deaths from tuberculosis constitute a progressively less accurate criterion of the need for tuberculosis hospital beds.

The simple fact is that we will continue to require more, not fewer beds for the tuberculous for some time to come. As a result of the accelerated casefinding rate throughout the country, many states have seen their already overloaded hospital waiting lists grow appreciably. Some accept only certain types of cases — the far advanced, or the early cases, or those with demonstrably contagious disease — to the exclusion of all others. In some states, too, there are even limits on the length of time a patient may occupy a bed in a tuberculosis hospital. By the very fact that all of these practices contradict sound principles of public health, they serve to indicate the desperate need for additional hospital beds. Just as long as any tuberculosis patient must be denied needed hospitalization, the community will continue to receive inadequate protection from the disease.

In many states, efforts have already been made

^{*}Additional plans and data on tuberculosis hospitals will be featured in the May issue of The Modern Hospital.

to meet actual tuberculosis hospitalization needs. Some have taken the expedient of converting surplus facilities abandoned by the military after World War II. Others have begun to plan for, and actually add tuberculosis wings as integral parts of general hospitals. This latter development has been a most encouraging one, for in the last analysis, tuberculosis treatment is only one part of medicine, and the care of patients ill with the disease cannot fail to benefit from the ready availability of the entire range of medical and surgical services, including specialist consultation, which abound within a general hospital. This is, of course, to say nothing of the operating economies which invariably derive from such an arrangement.

To some extent the provision of the Hill-Burton Act, or the National Hospital Survey and Construction Program, have helped provide some of the much needed tuberculosis hospital facilities. It is expected that states in need of hospital beds for the tuberculous will take advantage of its liberal provisions to a greater extent than they have thus far.

Time was when the tuberculosis sanatorium was invariably located in remote and inaccessible

corners of the countryside, long miles away from any sizable community or any center of medical practice. Today, however, the tuberculosis hospital is moving toward the large, metropolitan centers which they are meant to serve, toward closer contact with other medical and surgical specialties, and toward the sources of skilled and trained personnel.

Nursing and other personnel, which in the past have been extremely difficult to obtain and more difficult to hold on the job because of remoteness and inaccessibility of the hospitals, will, as a result of this trend, become more readily available. All of this will mean more effective care for the tuberculous themselves, as well as better service to the communities involved.

More than ever before in the history of the world, victory in the fight against tuberculosis seems in sight. We have the knowledge and the skill to find the disease early, while it is still amenable to treatment, and to treat it effectively. The medium for treatment, however, remains as always the hospital bed, so that future progress in the fight against the disease will of necessity be dependent upon the progress we shall make in providing an adequate supply of these beds.

CONSTRUCTION AND PLANNING OF TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITALS

By John W. Cronin, M.D.

Chief, Division of Hospital Facilities, U. S. Public Health Service

The modern hospital facility for the care of tuberculosis patients bears but little resemblance to the "pest houses" of a few generations ago, and yet much remains to be done if we are to continue our slowly winning battle against the disease.

At present only six states and one territory meet the recommended minimum ratio of $2\frac{1}{2}$ tuberculosis beds per average annual death from the disease in the respective state during the five-year period 1940–44. On the basis of this prescribed minimum ratio, a total of 146,926 tuberculosis beds is needed — 67,477 beds in addition to the present supply. In other words, only 1.4 acceptable beds per average annual death from tuberculosis are now available in the United States and Territories. This is just slightly more than half of the total beds estimated as the minimum need.

The hospital bed still remains the most essential medical weapon in our armamentarium needed to combat tuberculosis. The Hospital Survey and Construction Act provides an excellent opportunity for material advances in tuberculosis control wherever the need exists. Needed liberal financial assistance for construction is available to the states and territories in meeting this costly phase of tuberculosis control. Therefore, all concerned should take every opportunity to make local tuberculosis hospitalization needs known to the state hospital planning agencies, advisory councils and to members of their communities from whom major support must ultimately be derived.

To help alleviate the shortage of tuberculosis beds, consideration should be given to integrating plans for tuberculosis bed construction with those of general hospitals. Past experience has shown this to be a highly desirable practice, and several states have adopted it in their plans for future hospital construction.

Cooperative endeavors between local, state and federal groups in good community planning and good design and construction of hospital facilities as provided in the Hill-Burton program is resulting in good hospitals which communities and states can operate effectively to maintain the health of our nation which is so essential at this the most critical period of our history.

NOTES ON TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL PLANNING

By Peter N. Jensen

Hospital Architect, U. S. Public Health Service

In this approach to the problem of the Tuberculosis Hospital, the architect must bear in mind three main factors. They are the long term aspect of the treatment, the specialized nature of the treatment and the infectious nature of the disease. These account for the variations between tuberculosis and general hospitals. In many respects the planning of tuberculosis and general hospitals is quite similar.

Although the average stay in Tuberculosis Hospitals varies from hospital to hospital, the overall average is probably about 18 months as compared to 8 days for non-governmental general hospitals. As a result, facilities supportive to medical care are required which are not usually found in the general hospitals.

An auditorium or an assembly room for the entertainment of the ambulant patients through movies, shows and general meetings is a basic requirement. In most cases, the auditorium may also be used for religious services.

A beauty and barber shop contribute greatly to the patient's morale, particularly that of the women. Provision of a canteen permits patients to buy items for their personal needs which are not supplied by the hospital. A library is another necessary adjunct.

Occupational therapy is an important consideration in this respect. For ambulant patients, space for this purpose should be provided in the patients' activities area. Facilities for the storage of items used for bed-fast patients are required on each nursing unit.

Vocational training facilities are needed for the rehabilitation of some patients who will be unfit for former occupation. This function may be provided for in the occupational therapy room when the load is small. For larger services extensive facilities may be necessary.

The above services should be placed where patients in nursing units will not be disturbed. A location near the elevator provides easy access for the patients.

The orientation of patients' wings assumes greater importance in a long term hospital. Plenty of sunshine, a pleasing view and freedom from noise and distracting surroundings means much to the patient who is roombound for long periods of time. A suburban site may be required to ensure these important considerations but a rural location is no longer considered necessary for purposes of treatment.

The disease can be treated in hospitals located within large cities. Certain practical advantages are derived from such a location in that the hospital is close to consultation services, the labor market and the source of medical and other supplies. Accessibility to visitors

also contributes greatly to the morale of the patients.

The infectiousness of the disease and the specialized treatment required presents specific problems. Special techniques are required in caring for patients and handling articles used by them to protect hospital personnel and visitors. Proper planning can do much to implement these techniques.

Flexibility and segregation of patients can be accomplished by providing an adequate number of single rooms. It is recommended that not less than 30 per cent of the beds be in single rooms.

The tuberculosis nursing unit differs from that of a general hospital in that the following additional facilities are required for carrying out the protective techniques mentioned above:

Nurses Gown Room — The gown room provides facilities for donning and changing gowns and hand washing as the nurses enter and leave the unit.

Visitors Gown Space — For use by relatives and friends visiting infectious patients, the visitors gown space must also be located at the entrance to the unit.

Corridor Hand Washing Space — Knee or foot controlled lavatories placed intermittently along the nursing unit corridor are required for staff use in carrying out isolation techniques.

Sputum Disposal — Proper disposal of sputum is one of the most important factors in the prevention of spread of infection. The method of sputum collection varies. In some cases patients use paper cups in metal holders which are distributed daily as necessary. Used paper cups are filled with sawdust or cellulose, wrapped with clean paper, several to a package, tied and incinerated. The holders are washed and sterilized before being returned to the patient.

Another method involves the use of clean paper wipes which patients place in paper bags after use. The bags are collected periodically during each day and disposed of in the incinerator.

Disposal of sputum cups may be assigned to an area especially designed for this purpose or it may be done in a contaminated utility room.

The nurses station and clean utility room are similar to those found in the general hospital. Toilet facilities for each patients' room, a lavatory in each room and dental basins all contribute to easier, safer nursing techniques.

Treatment Room — In tuberculosis, surgical collapse treatment of the lung is necessary. This is sometimes accomplished by means of artificial pneumothorax which is a method of introducing air into the pleural space. In

connection with this treatment a fluoroscopic examination is used to determine the amount of air required and as a quick method of determining the progress of lesions.

The facilities required for this process consist of a waiting room, treatment room and fluoroscopic room. One such suite is usually required for each 100 patient beds and should be located on a patient's floor, for easy access. Wherever out-patient work is contemplated in the small hospital, it may be possible to locate the suite centrally for the convenience of both types of patients. For extensive out-patient work, a separate suite is recommended.

The other departments of the Tuberculosis Hospital are affected to a lesser degree by the specialized nature of the disease. Separate dining rooms for staff and patients are required. Hand washing facilities for each should be provided in the adjacent corridor. Attention must be given to dishwashing facilities including provision of high temperature water to insure complete disinfection of dishes.

Although some hospitals sterilize all linen before laundering for the protection of the laundry workers, a good body of evidence exists to indicate that it is unnecessary. Care in handling linen will protect the laundry worker and the high temperature water used in the washers completely disinfects contaminated linen. A demand of 7 pounds per day per bed can be used to calculate the size of the equipment required.

Unless the Tuberculosis Hospital is a part of a larger institution, storage facilities should be provided on the same basis as a general hospital. In addition, space is required for the storage of patients' clothes.

The morgue should be completely isolated from any patient activities and located so that bodies may be removed unobtrusively.

Offices for a medical director and assistant medical director are required in the administration department in addition to the usual requirements for this department. Some authorities are inclined toward a provision of an office in this department for each physician on the staff on the basis that such private facilities are necessary for discussion between the attending physician and the patient's relatives.

Laboratory and x-ray facilities are a necessary adjunct to the treatment of tuberculosis and should be as complete as those of the general hospital. The pharmacy can be kept to a minimum and in a hospital of 100 beds or less drugs can be dispensed from the laboratory.

The ratio of surgical cases to beds is much smaller in the Tuberculosis Hospital and the major operating rooms can be apportioned on the basis of 1 to approximately 200 beds. A large hospital would require a cystoscopic room and fracture room with the necessary adjuncts. Sub-sterilizing facilities, clean-up rooms, personnel locker rooms, central sterilizing room, etc., are, of course, also required. In addition, facilities for dental and eye, ear, nose and throat work should be provided.



SAN MATEO COUNTY

Redwood City, Calif.

Stone and Mulloy, Architects

S. P. Marraccini, Associate Architect

ALTHOUGH THIS HOSPITAL WAS DESIGNED PRIMARILY for the treatment of tuberculosis patients, thought was given to the possibility that this disease may at some time be greatly reduced or entirely eliminated. The plan is therefore adaptable to simple conversion to more general hospital needs: space for expansion of the surgical department is made easily available by breakout panels built into the second floor, east wing walls toward the roof area; and structural columns of the floors below were designed to take additional floors, and the third floor is likewise adaptable to expansion. All mechanical and dietary facilities have been generously planned so as not to limit future growth.

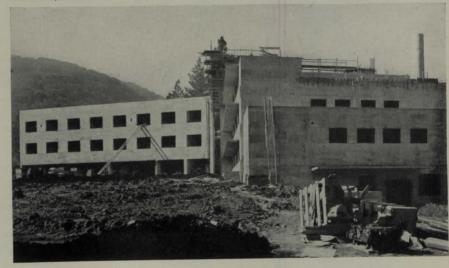
As a T. B. hospital, it is an excellent example of the modern hospital with the full range of elements. And the same thoughtful planning is seen in the organization of the various elements in good relationships. Administration, diagnostic, patient and service areas are so located as to avoid interference with each other. Centralization of all service facilities in the heart of the plant creates an easily controlled unit, with economy.



TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL



Lionel T. Berryhill Photos



San Mateo County Tuberculosis Hospital, now under construction, will add 100 to 120 beds for California's attack on T.B. Should the control campaign reduce the patient load in later years, this hospital can be used as a general hospital

Nursing units of 25 beds spread out from each side of the central core, placing all patients within easy reach of the nurses' station on each nursing floor. Patients' rooms, 12 ft by 17 ft 6 in., are somewhat larger than normal, and were planned to accommodate two patients. The location of the day rooms near the elevators and directly opposite the nurses' stations opens up this usually congested area nicely and affords a pleasant view for visitors and patients, as well as for the nurse during her daily work.

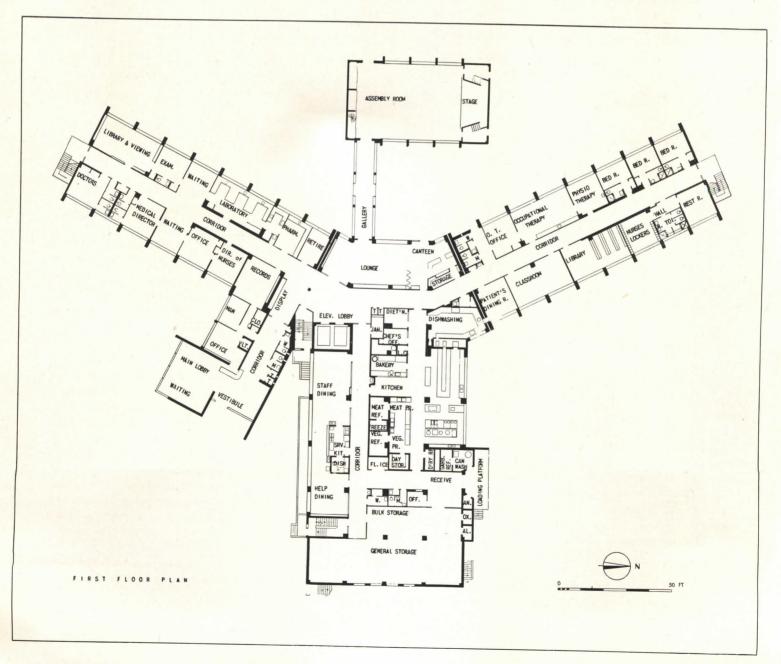
Medical facilities are on one side of a double corridor, surgical on the other, with the commonly used fluoroscopic and x-ray facilities between. This concentration makes for efficient operation, yet does not subject the treatment patients to unpleasant contacts with the surgical department. Major and minor operations would be performed in the single operating room, while the sterile supply room is located for use of both operating room and nursing units. The pneumothorax suite, x-ray and fluoroscopic facilities on the second floor are designed to serve in-patients as well as out-patients.

To avoid disturbance to patients the boiler room, maintenance shop and morgue have been placed well away from the nursing areas. Delivery and help's entrance is controlled by a receiving clerk, who also has charge of issuing supplies. Although a small laundry has been provided for processing a limited amount of material, most laundry will be decontaminated at the hospital and sent out to a local commercial laundry.

The hospital was planned for a normal capacity of 100 beds, but is easily capable of handling 120 beds within the original building. Construction throughout is earthquake-proof, reinforced concrete. Face brick has been used at certain ground floor and entrance areas. Windows are steel combination fixed, hopper, and casement types. Resilient floor coverings were used for circulation, office and patient areas. All lavatory floors are terrazzo, and quarry tile was used for laboratories and floor preparation areas. All equipment was designed for utmost durability and ease of maintenance.

The contract price and fixed equipment, exclusive of radiographic, is \$1,331,550.

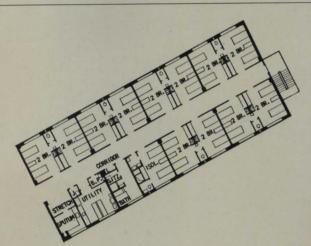


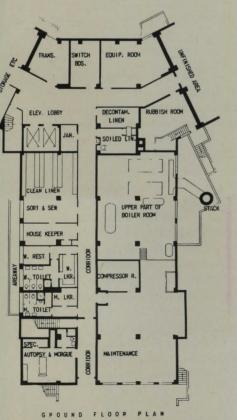


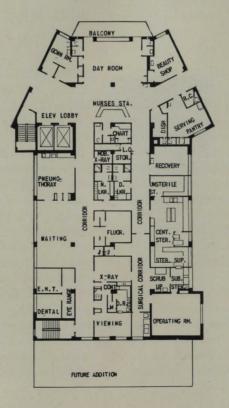
Typical nursing wing (below) repeats on both sides of central cores (bottom of page) on second and third floors. This scheme gives two nursing units of 25 beds each, both served from central nurses' station. This station has excellent control of patients' rooms, day room, lobby and various service facilities as well

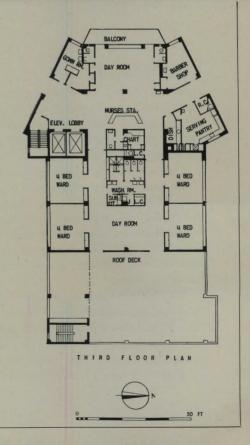


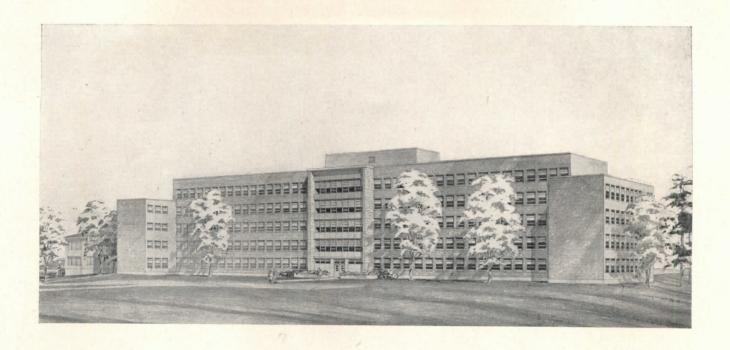












TUBERCULOSIS INFIRMARY FOR NEGROES

Mississippi State Sanatorium, Sanatorium, Miss.

R. W. Naef, Architect - Engineers

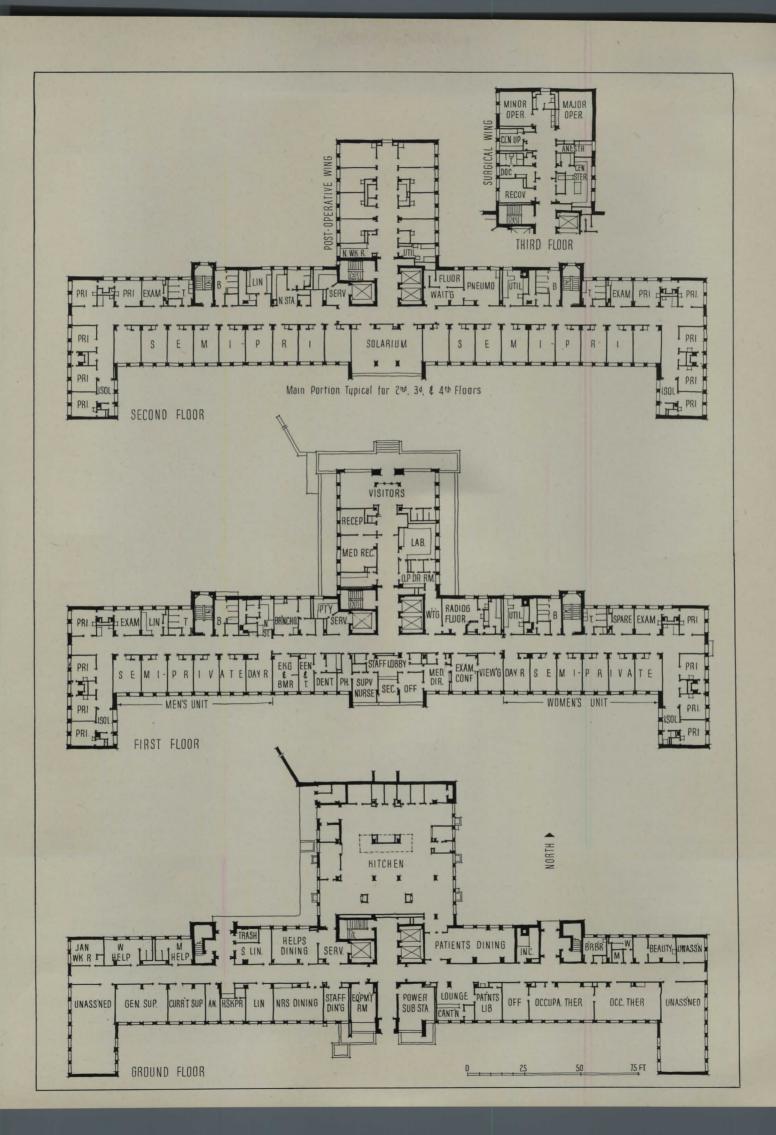
Biggs, Weir & Chandler, Architects and Consulting Engineers

This New Infirmary Building is an addition to an existing state sanatorium, and is entirely for negro tuberculosis patients. It will not only add 166 needed beds, but will also set a new standard for care and treatment. It is part of Mississippi's currently enlarged efforts to control and eventually wipe out tuberculosis.

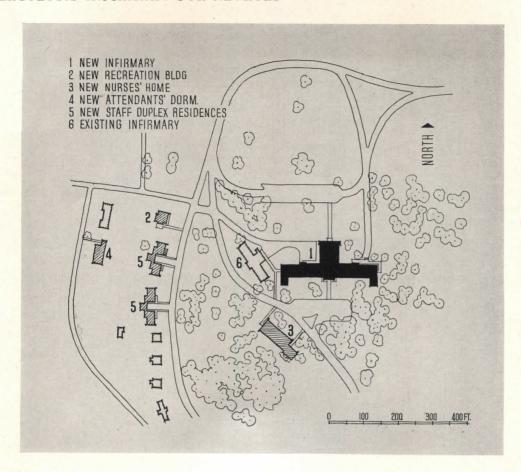
Since it is a part of a larger institution it concentrates on definitely hospital facilities, omitting administrative offices, laundry, boiler room, and so forth, as these are provided in the existing buildings. Every attempt has been made to assure the comfort and rehabilitation of needy patients, through careful planning, and through provision of facilities, amenities and finishes which are above average.

The hospital is well laid out, with the relationship of the departments designed to maintain correct traffic flow. Facilities which are to be used jointly by in- and out-patients, such as laboratory and x-ray, are placed conveniently to both, and facilities essential to the proper care of tuberculosis, such as surgery, pneumothorax, dental, etc., are all provided. An occupational therapy and recreational department is provided in the basement, which is far above average and much more in line with what the authorities recommend for this activity.

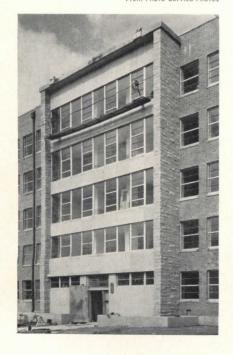
Perhaps the most individual item in this plan is the post-operative unit, which occupies the north wing of the second floor. This is a unit of eight beds which includes a nursing station, utility room, bed pan room, storage, etc., to make it a completely self-sustaining nursing unit, which can give the highly specialized nursing care necessary immediately before or following a major operation. This type of unit will undoubtedly be provided more and more in tuberculosis hospitals in the future, since the latest trends in tuberculosis treatment have definitely established its need. In the types of treatment where streptomycin is administered in conjunction with a series of surgical operations, it is essential that the patient be carefully treated by highly trained personnel before, between and after operations.



TUBERCULOSIS INFIRMARY FOR NEGROES



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Mississippi adds 166 beds to its program for controlling tuberculosis among its negro population with this infirmary, shown here in construction views, an addition to an existing institution. Upper view shows principal facade, facing south



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SOUTHEAST FLORIDA TUBERCULOSIS SANATORIUM

Lantana, Florida

Reynolds, Smith and Hills, Architects and Engineers

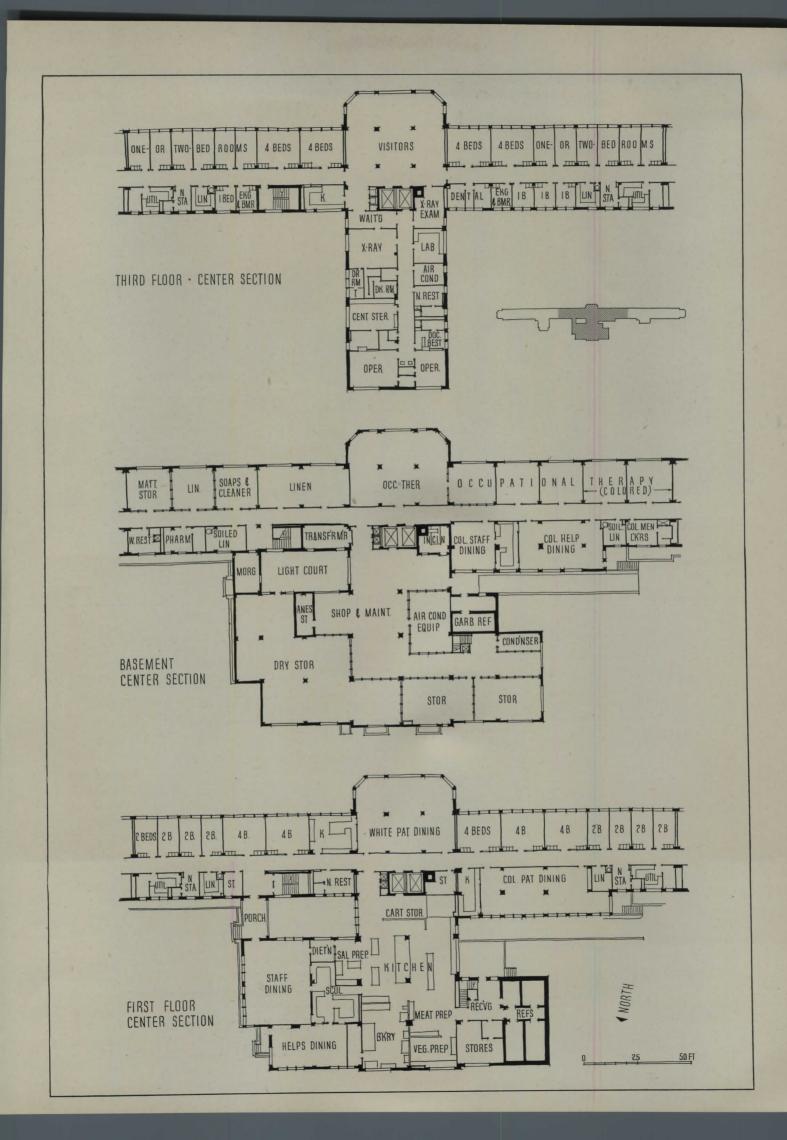
Charles F. Kuhn, Associate Architect

ONE OF THE LARGEST of the current tuberculosis hospitals, this 500-bed sanatorium is one of three which are planned for Florida to provide a total of 1350 new beds. The particular building here shown is one of a group built on this site which will provide all necessary services and staff living quarters. Separate buildings are provided for heating and shops, laundry, nursing quarters, doctors' quarters and help's quarters.

The hospital is divided at the center to provide negro beds and facilities to the west and white facilities to the east. However the nursing units are so placed that should one or the other occupancy be greater the excess can overflow into adjacent units. The facilities in each category can be further segregated to provide for additional necessary categories of patients, either by floors or by portions of floors. Three types of patients' bedrooms are provided, one-bed, two-bed and four-bed, to provide even greater flexibility of use.

The planners of this hospital have taken greater recognition than is usual of the growing importance of occupational therapy, rehabilitation and recreation. A large part of the basement area is devoted to shops and classrooms for the patients. A spacious library and a recreation room which may be used for assemblies and entertainment occurs on the second floor, while every floor has ample areas set aside for visiting and other social or rehabilitative activities. Another provision in these plans for the benefit of the patient is the very roomy, well oriented patients' dining rooms, which provide the change and contact with one another which is felt to be essential for long-term patients.

If nice surroundings and beautiful views are worthy of consideration in the treatment of T. B., this institution should rank near the top. The site is located just south of Palm Beach on the shores of Lake Worth overlooking the Atlantic Ocean.

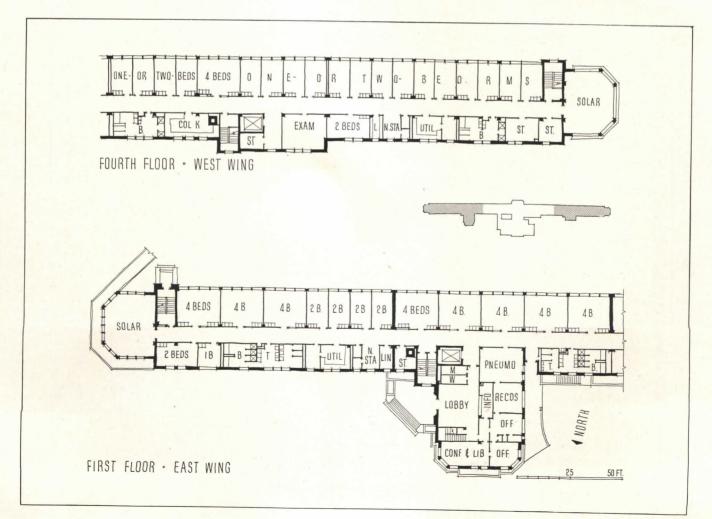


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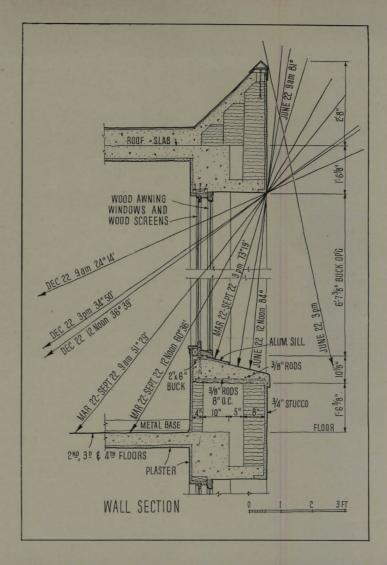
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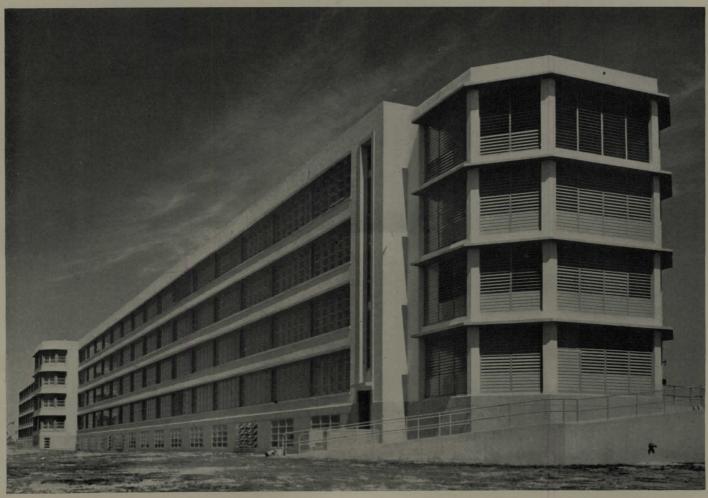
This is one of three new T.B. hospitals being built by the State of Florida, with a total of 1350 beds. This main building at Lantana is long and narrow, with four nurses' stations lined up to break up the length into separate nursing units

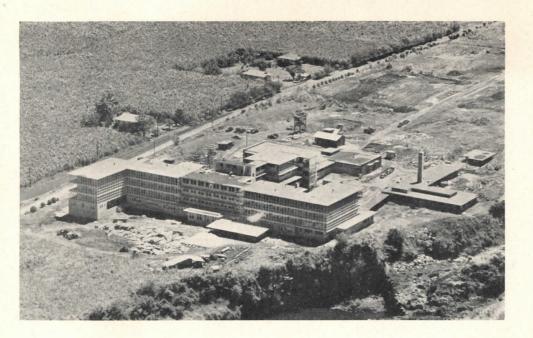




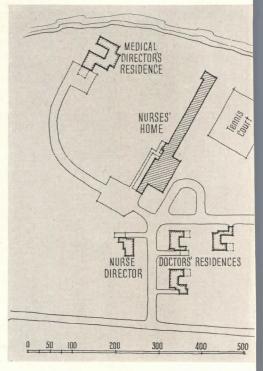
Although the sun's rays are no longer given much consideration from the stand-point of therapeutics in T.B., solar angles are important in any building in a semitropical location. Here they are shown for the critical dates; sunlight is barred from the rooms from March to September, penetrates deeply in winter



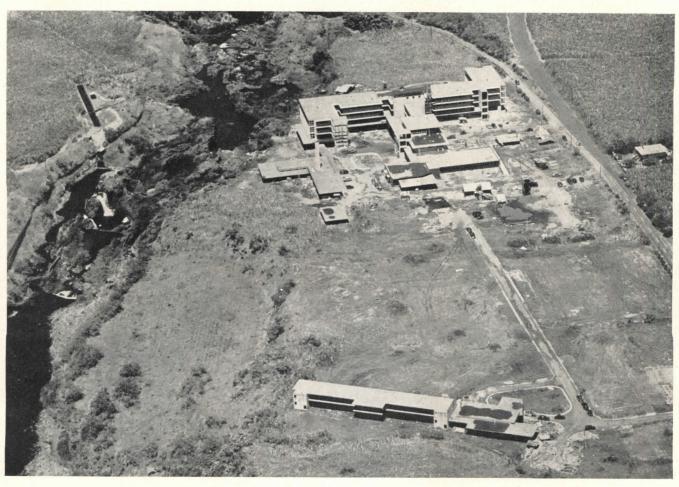


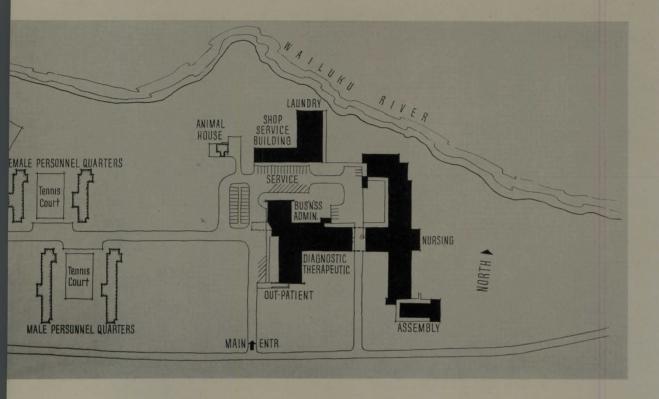


Located on the Wailuku River (water of destruction), the site for this hospital abounds in natural drama—waterfalls, views of sea and mountains and recently active craters and cane fields, not to mention frequent earthquake tremors



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PUUMAILE TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL H

Hilo, Hawaii

Merrill, Simms & Roehrig, Architects

Charles Erickson, Structural Engineer
H. Howlett, Sanitation Engineer
Hawaiian Dredging Co., Builders

T. Ralston, Electrical Engineer Franklin Winch, Mechanical Engineer

THE PEACEFUL SETTING seen in the construction air I views makes a grand enough site for any hospital, though the architect's notes mention the fact that in 1950 rain fall totalled 150 in. and there were 1702 seismic disturbances registered. The site commands an extensive panoramic view of the sea and mountains, including the craters of Mauna Kea and Mauna Loa. The hospital, contrary to the usual practices of the mainland, is oriented to the north and east to catch the cool trade winds. The climate is semi-tropical with relatively high humidity, and ventilation is important. Happily the best views are also to the northeast. This orientation, incidentally, takes account of the recognized fact that, except for certain special cases of T. B., the therapeutic value of the sun can be discounted; as a matter of fact careless exposure to the sun's rays in pulmonary T. B. cases can be injurious rather than beneficial.

All elements essential to a modern tuberculosis hos-

pital have been provided and properly located. The laundry, service building and animal house have been placed well away from the patient accommodations. A spacious auditorium and other patient facilities such as barber shop, beauty shop and a canteen have been provided.

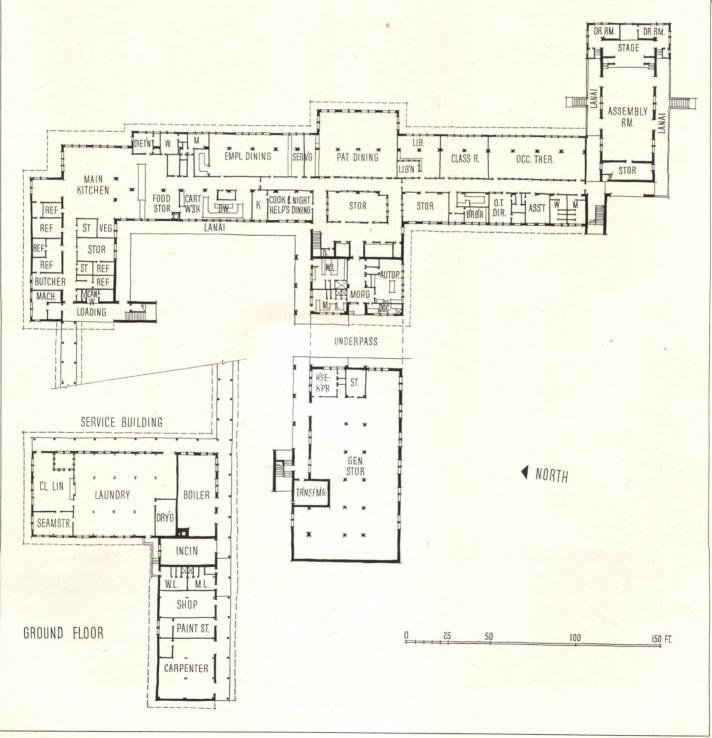
Secondary corridors are sometimes very desirable in hospitals to segregate the various lanes of traffic, but they are usually very costly to provide. However, in this hospital, covered walks on the first floor and open porches serve this purpose. These walks or lanai will serve for visitor traffic which can easily be controlled at the information counter in the main lobby.

Another interesting feature is the way in which the nursing floor services such as utility rooms, sputum disposal rooms, janitor closets, etc., have all been grouped into a very compact unit around the nurses' stations, saving innumerable steps for busy nurses.

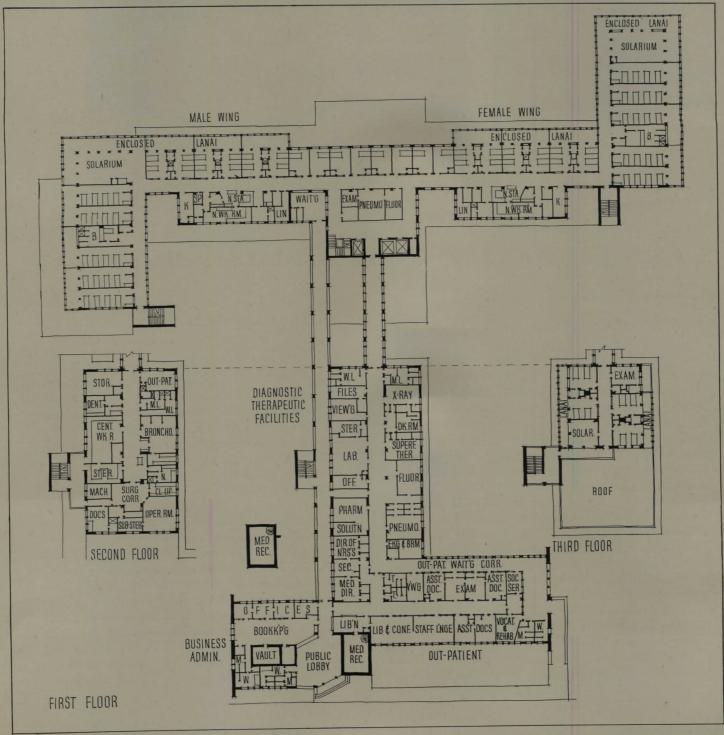
PUUMAILE TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Nursing wings (opposite page) feature an unusually compact grouping of various nursing floor services—utility rooms, sputum room, janitor's closets—around nurses' station. Notice also that the enclosed lanai become a secondary corridor, a desirable feature in any hospital, but one that is usually too expensive to consider

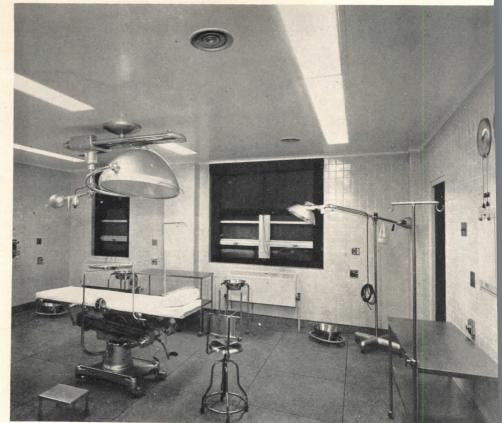












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EAST TENNESSEE TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Baumann and Baumann, Architects

Will W. Griffin, Associate

Knoxville, Tennessee

While this hospital is nicely representative of modern T. B. hospital planning, it is not strictly an isolated institution, and therefore has some unusual features. Actually in certain departments it will accept patients from other state-owned T. B. hospitals. In other words, this is an early example of the manner in which hospital plans may be affected by coordination of hospitals in operation.

It is the outgrowth of a plan conceived by Governor Browning in 1937 for state-owned hospitals to be built in East, Middle and West Tennessee. The state later benefited by the Hill-Burton Act. Title to the 118-acre tract of land located seven miles north of Knoxville, where the 50-bed City of Knoxville and Knox County Tuberculosis Sanatorium is located, was given to the State of Tennessee. After completion of the new hospital the old existing facilities were leased to the city and county for the care of chronic patients.

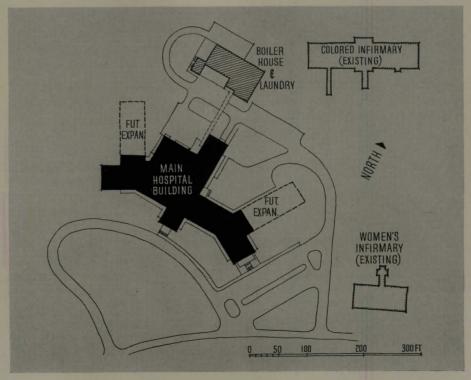
Under this arrangement, the unusually extensive laboratory and operating suite on the fifth floor is intended to perform all surgical operations and laboratory work for all the T. B. institutions in this area. In addition to necessitating the unusually large laboratory and operating suite, this arrangement also explains the reason for occupational therapy and rehabilitation facilities of such small size. Since many of the patients will be here only for laboratory check-up or for operations and recovery, there would be little opportunity for rehabilitation.

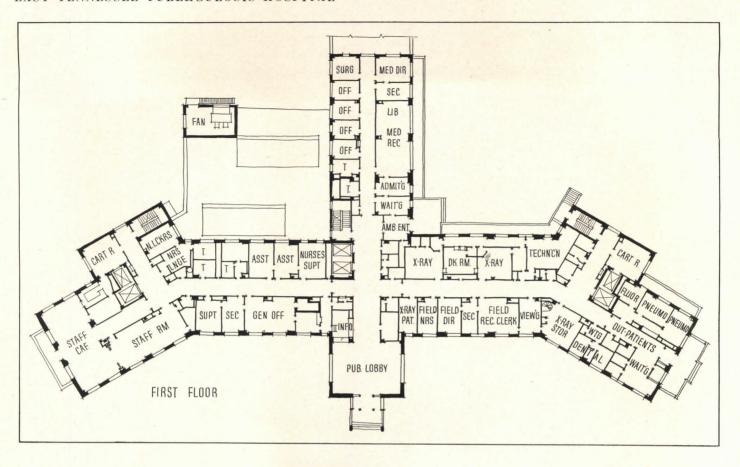
The plan has been thoughtfully studied with respect to traffic. The location of the elevators is especially good in this respect. The six cars are arranged in three banks of two, for two principal reasons. In the first place, the two outside locations will become focal points when nursing wings are added in later expansion (see site plan). Meanwhile this elevator arrangement puts service cars in widely separated locations, and thus minimizes service traffic toward the center of the building.

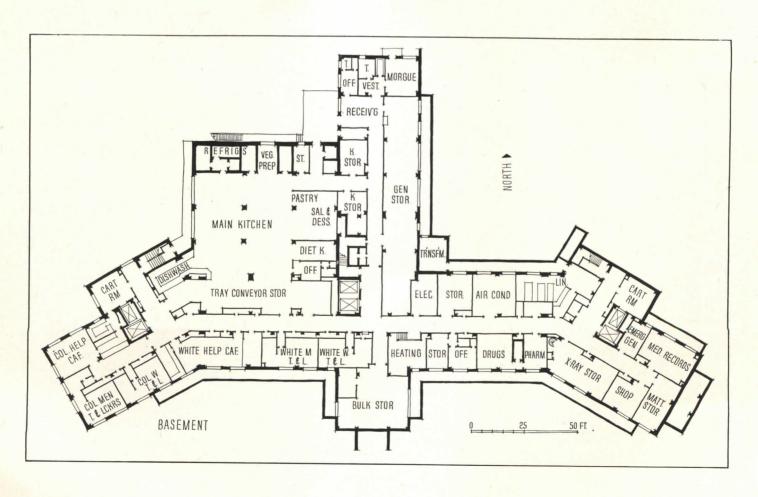
Traffic to and from the building is concentrated at three entrances — main entrance, O.P.D. entrance and



This new building adds 180 T.B. state-owned beds to an existing institution; old facilities are now operated by city and county authorities. It is planned for expansion by the addition of two nursing wings, as indicated







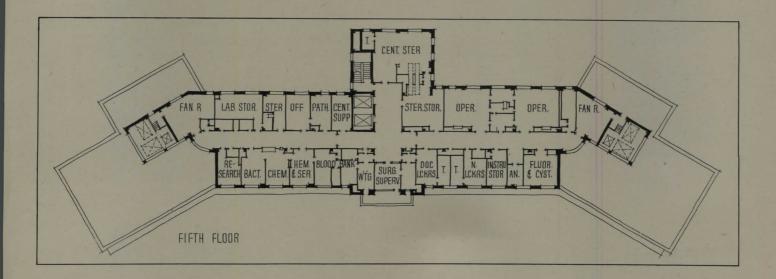
service. This should simplify the control very materially.

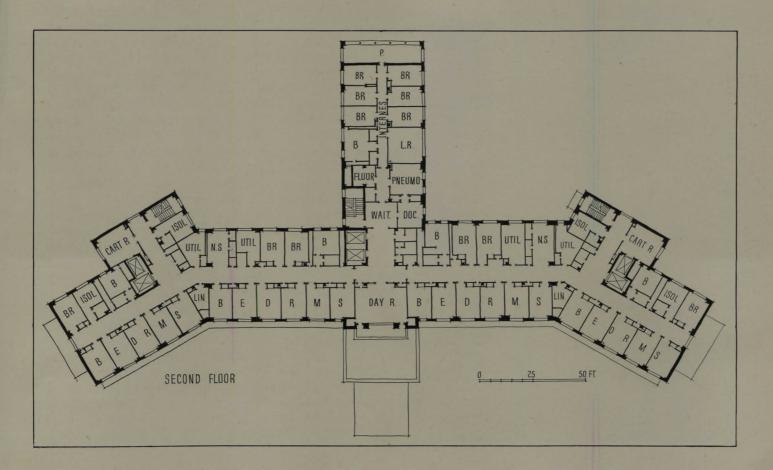
The hospital contains 180 beds and includes all necessary facilities and services, except laundry and boiler room, which are provided in a separate building.

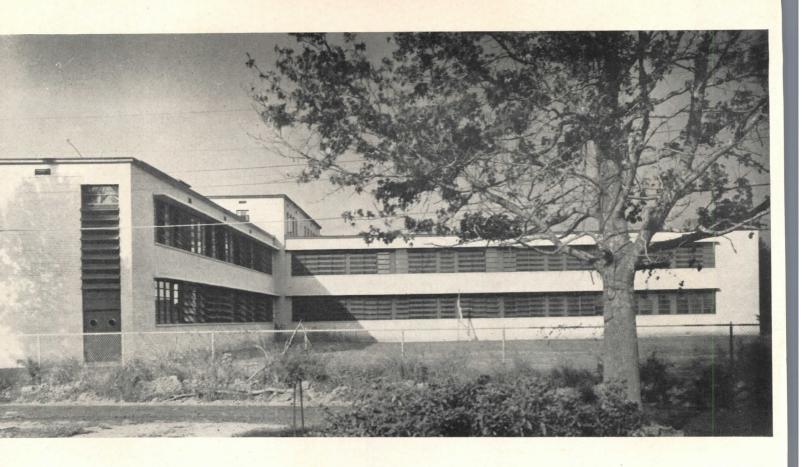
There are three nursing floors each having two 30-bed nursing units. Each unit is very complete as far as service and treatment are concerned, and each floor has a central pneumothorax suite and day room. All bed-

rooms except the isolation rooms can be used interchangeably for one or two beds. The layout of the nursing units permits the utmost flexibility in segreation of patients for various reasons.

Dr. R. H. Hutcheson, Commissioner of Public Health and Secretary of the T. B. Commission of Tennessee and Dr. W. W. Hubbard, Director of Hospital Service of the State of Tennessee, acted as medical consultants for this hospital.







TUBERCULOSIS UNIT FOR GENERAL HOSPITAL

Lafayette Charity Hospital T. B. Unit, Lafayette, La.

Richard Koch, Architect

A. W. Thompson, Structural Engineer

James M. Todd & Associates Mechanical and Electrical Engineers

William S. Wiedorn, Landscape Architect

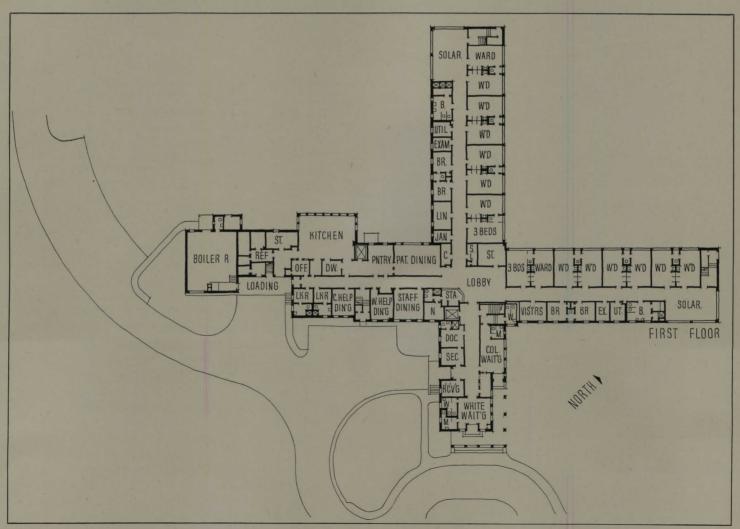


The problem here was to design a 100-bed hospital for patients in the last stages of tuberculosis, with the idea that at some future date the building might be used as a chronic hospital, if the T. B. problem should come under control. As this building is a part of the Lafayette Charity Hospital, it was not necessary to plan a surgical unit, as all major surgery would be performed in the general hospital.

An important decision and the cause of much debate in the preliminary stages was the location of the clinic and operating room. The board of consulting doctors appointed by the state considered that as the number of out-patients would be negligible it would be better to place the clinic and operating room on the third floor, as the patients would be easily transferred from the wards by elevator to the third floor. The operations of the hospital have justified this decision.

It was the original intention that the wards would be on one floor, but this necessitated a scheme of spread out buildings, which also entailed costly management, so that it was finally decided to use a two-story scheme of wards, also with the idea of simpler separation of races. The lower floor is for colored and the upper for white, and the working out of separate waiting rooms presented a difficult problem. The wards were L-shaped,





with a nurses' station at the intersection of the corridor, which simplified the problem of supervision with a limited staff.

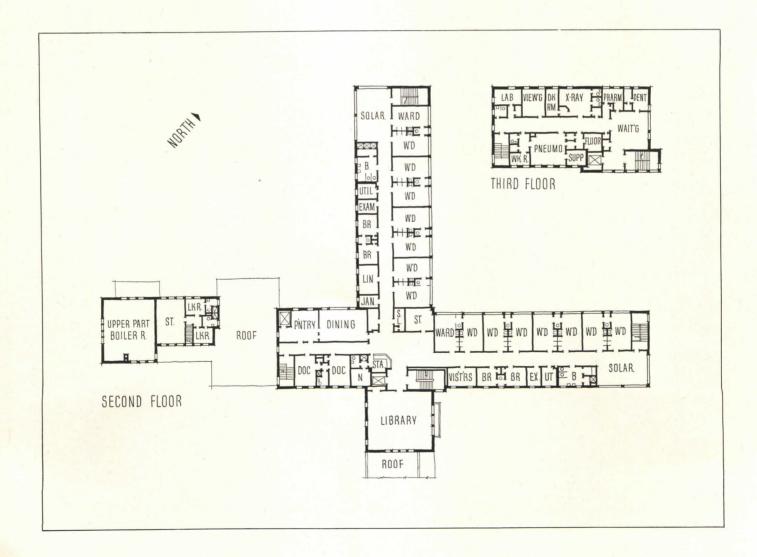
The building was originally designed without a library. Shortly before the plans were finished it was felt that such a department, which also included occupational therapy, would be advisable, and at a later date would be necessary. The architect feels that the design might have been better had this unit been omitted or added in the earlier stage of the design.

The architect notes also that the space designated for visitors has not been used as originally intended. Instead visitors are taken to the solariums, and this practice has worked out quite nicely.

This is another of the modern hospitals in which a good deal of attention was paid to color schemes in the wards. Hospital authorities have expressed their appreciation for the beneficial effect of this extra attention to attractiveness in areas where patients spend so many weary hours.

Charles R. Armstrong (deceased) and David Geier, his successor, were consultants to the hospital board.







Left: heat-absorbing glass in the skylight shuts out some of the sun's energy that otherwise would penetrate the studio of this house. Below: contrasted with the familiar application of tempered glass for the doors of the nurses' building is its use for school windows next to a playground, preventing breakage



Photos Courtesy Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co.

HEAT-ABSORBING GLASS



Photo Courtesy Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.

POTENTIALITIES OF GLASS IN BUILDING

By Albert G. H. Dietz

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YLASS CAN BE ROLLED, molded, drawn T into fine filaments, foamed, given special patterns — all of these processes adapting it to building products. Some 30 to 45 elements can be added to or substituted for the basic constituents of glass (sand, lime and soda) to change the physical properties for various architectural applications. Iron, for example, markedly affects infrared and ultraviolet transmission; potassium increases resistance to weathering; magnesium increases abrasion resistance; cobalt gives a blue color; copper gives blue or red; boron makes possible heatresistant glass.

In this article, principal emphasis will be placed upon the aspects of glass with which many architects may not be so familiar. Topics to be discussed include heat-absorbing glass; multiple insulating glass; glass block; glasses with electrically conducting surfaces; tempered glass; foamed (or cellular) glass; fibrous glass, used in a variety of ways by itself, and used as reinforcement for plastics.

Light Transmission Characteristics

It may seem surprising that transmission of the invisible ultraviolet and

infrared rays through a number of glasses is more important than transmission in the visible range. In this connection it is useful to remember that about 3 per cent of the sun's energy lies in the ultraviolet region, about 44 per cent in the visible region, and about 53 per cent in the infrared region.

For a comparison of various glasses see Table 1. Regular plate glass (ordinary window glass would be similar) may be taken as a standard. This glass contains iron, in the vicinity of 0.05 per cent. If the iron content is decreased to approximately 0.02 per cent or less, water white plate glass is obtained. This



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ELECTRICALLY CONDUCTIVE GLASS

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Above: multiple-paned windows, commonly thought of these days as means to "open up" homes to the outdoors, yet keeping heat transmission down, also serve well as sound insulation. Glass walls of the control room at right deaden sound from machinery on the lower floor

Electrically conductive glass panels (at top of the room inside triple glazed doors) furnish auxiliary heat for this solar heated house at M.I.T. during long cloudy periods

GLASS BLOCK

A familiar sight is prismatic glass blocks for daylighting schools (below, left). They direct light to the ceiling (far right) reducing glare and equalizing illumination. Light from a test lab picks up patterns of typical glass blocks (center)

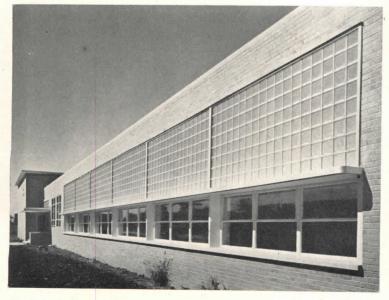


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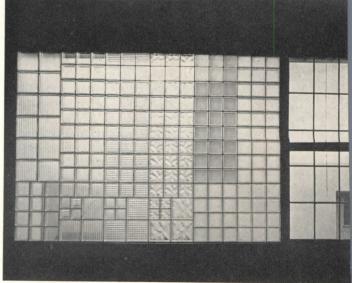


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gives the highest total solar transmission of all the glass — 90.5 per cent. The other 9.5 per cent is mostly loss by unavoidable reflection from the surface of the glass.

If the iron content is increased by approximately 0.5 to 0.6 per cent, heat-absorbing glass is obtained, which will be discussed in somewhat greater detail below. Ultraviolet absorbing glass transmits only a small fraction of the ultraviolet, but quite strongly in the rest of the spectrum so that its total solar transmission is not markedly below that of regular glass. Opaque black structural glass transmits only in the infrared region but its total solar transmission is not far behind that of the transparent heat-absorbing glass.

Heat-Absorbing Glass

Heat-absorbing glass is compounded to transmit quite strongly in the visible region but to absorb strongly in the infrared. Some absorption of the red waves occurs in the visible region, so these glasses have a bluish cast, but the visible transmission is still better than 70 per cent. Of the total solar energy striking a 1/4-in. sheet of this glass, approximately 6 per cent is reflected, 39 per cent transmitted, and 50 to 55 per cent is absorbed. The absorbed energy is converted into heat and the temperature of the glass rises above the temperature of its surroundings, whereupon it radiates heat both outward and inward, roughly equally in both directions, so that some 25 to 28 per cent of re-radiation is added to the 39 per cent admitted directly, making a total of roughly 65-68 per cent of the incident solar energy which eventually finds its way into the

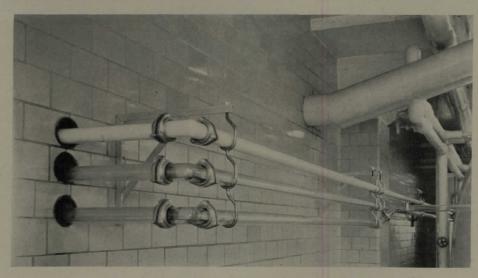
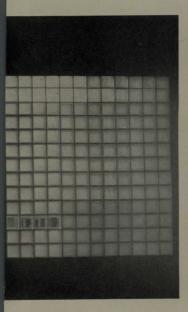


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Piping in a milk products factory is heat-resistant glass. Pipes must withstand quite high temperatures because they are flushed out with hot water and other cleansing agents

| Туре | of Glass | | A | В | С | D | E | F | G |
|--------------------------------|---|-------------|-------|--------|------|------|-------|---------|--------|
| Thick | ness, in. | | . 23 | .24 | .25 | .21 | .28 | .20 | .23 |
| u 0 | Visible Light | 9 | 1.0 | 90.0 | 86.0 | 80.5 | 72.0 | 46.5 | 0.0 |
| Solar Transmission Per Cent | Ultraviolet | 8 | 5.5 | 77.5 | 15.0 | 57.5 | 59.5 | 82.0 | 1.0 |
| | Infrared | 9 | 0.0 | 68.0 | 82.0 | 83.5 | 12.5 | 78.5 | 58.0 |
| Per | 44 per cent of sun infrared. Values at | | | | | | | | |
| 200 | Total Energy | 9 | 0.5 | 85.5 | 80.0 | 80.5 | 39.0 | 69.5 | 28.0 |
| A. W | ater White | C. Ultravio | let A | bsorbi | ng | | E. He | at Abs | orbing |
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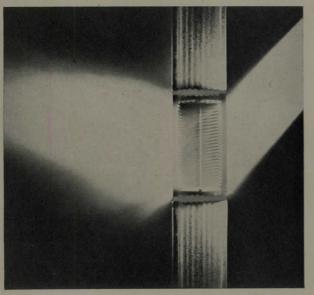


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interior and is converted into heat. This compares with approximately 85–88 per cent for regular glass, and serves to reduce the heat load proportionately.

Tempered Glass

Tempered glass will withstand three to five times the failing load of ordinary plate glass, some five to seven times the impact, and better than three times the thermal shock. When failure does occur, the fragments are small particles without the sharp cutting edges of ordinary glass shards.

Glass ordinarily has a tensile strength of approximately 6000 psi, as measured in bending, but a compressive strength in the vicinity of 20,000 psi. When being tempered, glass is heated uniformly to almost the softening point

FOAMED (CELLULAR) GLASS

Photos Courtesy Pittsburgh Corning Corp.





Above: 1. foamed glass insulates sidewalk snow melting coils from the ground. 2. pipe insulation is easily cut on the job. 3. lightweight insulating core of foamed glass is covered by corrugated siding in an industrial building. 4. partitions in bakery help maintain controlled temperature and humidity

FIBROUS GLASS INSULATION



Photos Courtesy Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp.



Above: 1. fibrous glass form board, under poured gypsum, covers roof of new pharmaceutical plant. 2. perimeter insulation seen protruding above reinforcing mesh serves as an expansion joint, reduces heat loss of floor slab. 3. applying duct insulation

FIBROUS GLASS IN PLASTICS



TO VACUUM LINE FIBROUS GLASS UPPER MOLD LIQUID RESIN GUTTER-

1. spraying plastic over fibrous glass mats to form a boat hull, 2. plastics are also made by drawing up the resin by vacuum. 3. shows a molding press which shapes the part after resin is poured on



Photo Courtesy American Cyanamid Co.

and then subjected to rapid and uniform surface cooling. Surface layers harden in an expanded condition, and when the interior subsequently cools and attempts to shrink, heavy compressive stresses are set up in the surface while the interior is in tension. Before fracture can occur, the compressive stresses in the surface must be overcome and changed to tensile.

Because of the heavy but balanced internal stresses, tempered glass cannot be cut or deeply scratched, nor can deeply figured glass be tempered satisfactorily. Some figures are attainable, however, and glass can be cut to desired shapes before tempering. Glass doors and porthole covers are only two of many examples of tempered glass.

Multiple Insulating Glass

Glass is a relatively dense material and therefore is a fairly good heat conductor. The heat insulating value of glass depends largely upon the film of quiet air to be found on each surface, and the efficiency of the film in turn depends upon the velocity of the air moving over the surface.

If two sheets of glass are employed instead of one, four films of air are obtained, and if the two sheets are sealed together with an air space between, the air space becomes a good insulator whose value depends somewhat on its thickness, i.e., the distance between the sheets. (Insulating efficiency of an air space increases up to a width of about 1/2 in., but does not increase appreciably with wider spaces.) If three sheets are used instead of two, the insulating value is increased, but not by the same amount. Table 2 brings out the trend. With 1/4-in.

TABLE 2 *- INSULATING EFFICIENCY OF GLASS (Overall Transmittance U † at 3 and 15 mph Wind Velocities)

| Type of Glazing | Kind and Nominal Thickness, in. | Number and Width Air Spaces, in. | U at 3 mph | U at 15 mph |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|--|---------------|----------------|
| Single | Sheet, 0.090 | None | 0.928 | 1.185 |
| Single | Plate, ¼ | None | 0.914 | 1.148 |
| Double | Sheet, 0.090 | 1(1/8) | 0.657 | 0.759 |
| Double | Sheet, 0.090 | 1(3/16) | 0.588 | 0.711 |
| Double | Sheet, 1/8 | 1(1/8) | 0.604 | 0.738 |
| Double | Sheet, 1/8 | 1(1/4) | 0.546 | 0.652 |
| Double | Plate, 1/4 | 1(1/8) | 0.611 | 0.726 |
| Double | Plate, 1/4 | 1 (1/4) | 0.540 | 0.646 |
| Double | Plate, 1/4 | 1 (1/2) | 0.479 | 0.580 |
| Triple | Plate, 1/4 | 2(1/4) | 0.396 | 0.468 |
| Triple | Plate, 1/4 | 2(1/2) | 0.341 | 0.397 |

* Btu/hr/sqft/F, measured on glass 30 by 30 in. † Table by Dr. G. B. Watkins, from Chap. 17, Engineering Laminates, edited by Albert G. H. Dietz, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1949

thick double plate glass and 1/4-in. air space, the heat loss is approximately halved, and with triple glass and two air spaces a further reduction of approximately 1/6 is achieved.

Multiple glazing units are made with clean dry air sealed between the sheets. The various manufacturers employ a variety of seals along the edges, but all attempt to have the air dry enough so that the dew-point, which would cause fogging of the interior surfaces of the glass, is not reached above about -60to -70 F. The seals, as quoted by at least one manufacturer, are expected to hold even if one sheet of glass is at a temperature of -80 F and the other at

+170 F. For special purposes, such as display cases subject to jarring and vibration, the glass may be the tough tempered variety.

One manufacturer is currently perfecting a double glazed unit in which the edge seal, itself, is glass. In effect the two sheets of double-strength window glass are "welded" together by means of electric current. This development augurs well for the tremendous increase in the use of insulating glass. Maximum size being made now for test installation is 48 by 30 in.

Electrically Conductive Glass

Glass is an excellent electrical insulator, but metallic oxide coatings can be applied to make the surfaces sufficiently conductive to carry appreciable currents at ordinary voltages. Under these conditions the electrical power is converted to heat which can be employed for a variety of purposes such as radiant heating and de-icing of windshields on automobiles and aircraft. The glass has also found use in railroad passenger cars to overcome the "cold shoulder" effect of windows. In such installations the treated glass is the inner sheet of a multiple glazing unit. An experimental house installation is shown on page 162. In this small solar house, the units are used to provide radiant heat when needed. The glass in the south-facing windows, incidentally, is double and triple multiple glazing. These electric

4. preformed fibrous glass mats for the boxes in the foreground are stacked near one of the molding presses; more complicated parts with spiralled grooves can be seen in the background. 5. large corrugated sheets of reinforced plastic form decorative partition



Photo courtesy Corrulux Corp.

panels operate at temperatures between 120–125 F, with a power consumption of approximately 75–100 watts per sq ft.

The oxide coating is claimed to be as durable as the glass itself and, in the 15 to 20 millionth-inch thickness employed, does not appreciably reduce the light transmission of the glass. Temperatures up to 480 F can be withstood by the treated glass itself, but in safety glass the plastic interlayer limits the temperature to 150 F.

Glass Block

By now, glass blocks have become familiar items of building construction. The blocks consist of two halves fused together at high temperature into a single hollow unit with air of low moisture content entrapped at about ½ atmospheric pressure.

Depending on the pattern, glass blocks may be translucent or semi-transparent, or they may have an internal prism pattern which directs or diffuses the light entering from outdoors. These prism-patterned blocks are especially effective in reducing glare and in equalizing the level of illumination in the interior space. The directional type has been found effective in transmitting light from the exterior walls toward the interior by directing the light upward against the ceiling, from which it is reflected downward and inward.

To be effective, this pattern requires reasonably unobstructed ceilings maintained at high reflectance values, preferably matte finishes giving diffuse rather than specular reflection.

As the position of the sun shifts, the internal directed pattern of light is also bound to shift somewhat, but the general upward and inward direction is maintained.

One type of prismatic block has been designed to correct for changing azimuth of the sun. This is accomplished by vertical ribs on the exterior face which redirect the light inward. By this device, the inside of the block is uniformly lighted and the total amount of light is increased. Ribs on the inside face diffuse the light horizontally.

The diffusing type of prism is employed to give a general diffusion of light in all directions, not specifically upward and inward. It is used where ceilings cannot be maintained at high reflectance or where serious obstructions occur in the ceilings.

Blocks may be single cavity or double cavity. The coefficient U* of thermal conductivity in still air is about 0.40

*Btu/hr/sqft/degF

and 0.31 for single cavity and double cavity blocks, respectively, and in air moving at 15 mph the U factor rises to about 0.47 and 0.36 respectively. The value 0.47 is less than half that of single glass sheets, better than that of 8-in. masonry, and about double that of an uninsulated frame wall consisting of clapboard, building paper, sheathing, lath and plaster. Solar heat gain is estimated at approximately 250 Btu per sq ft per day at 40 deg North Latitude for an average August 1, day.

Foamed (Cellular) Glass

Because of its incombustibility and impermeability to moisture, foamed glass is finding use in the building field primarily as insulation in fire-resistive construction. It is built in as the core of masonry walls, is used as roof slab insulation and is employed in various other insulating capacities. One application is as the core in sandwich and curtain wall structures using various ceramic, masonry and metallic faces.

Glass is foamed by causing gas to be evolved in the mass at high temperatures. The individual cells formed by this process are not interconnected. Because of this, moisture vapor transmission is reduced to zero, and water absorption and adsorption — confined to the surfaces — are reduced to practically nothing. Thermal conductivity depends on the temperature and varies from about 0.40 to 0.55 Btu/hr/sq ft/deg F at temperatures varying from 50 to 300 F. The weight varies from 9 to 11 lb per cu ft.

Fibrous Glass

Glass, usually considered to be hard and brittle, possessing little ductility and only moderate tensile strength, can be drawn into extremely fine filaments which are highly flexible and very strong because of their fineness. As the diameter becomes greater, the strength drops off rapidly and eventually approaches that of ordinary glass.

Filaments may be used in continuous form for the highest strength fabrics, or they may be cut into various lengths of staple and twisted and woven into conventional fabric weaves. Resistance to weathering, living organisms, chemicals, elevated temperatures and other deteriorating agents is much the same as regular glass. Abrasion resistance may be low, depending upon the usage.

Many of the applications of glass fibers depend not only upon their strength and flexibility, but upon the fact that they can be felted loosely or firmly to entrap dead air which provides insulation against the flow of heat, and may also be employed as sound insulation. In still another form, the fibers can be matted to provide air filters.

Thermal Insulation, Sound Absorption. In building, one of the most familiar applications of fibrous glass is for thermal insulation. Common types include:

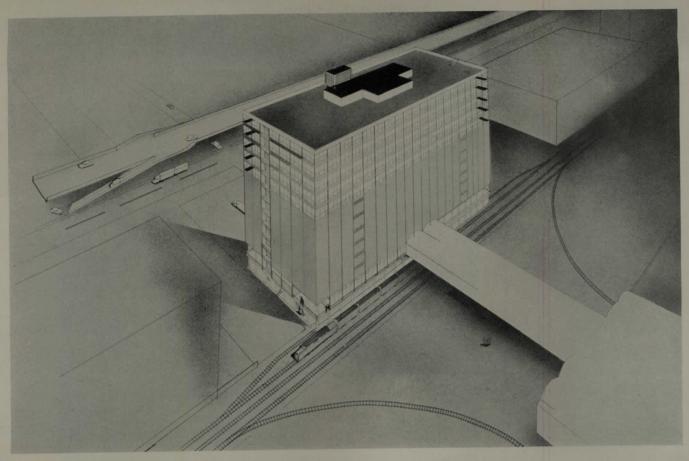
- 1. Batts and roll blankets weighing approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ lb per cu ft, made of standard fiber, with or without resin binder, usually with a vapor barrier paper on one side.
- 2. Blowing and pouring wools for use in existing structures or in odd spaces not suitable for the batt and blanket types.
 3. Roof insulation, made in resinbonded slab form and covered on the top surface with kraft paper and a heavy coating of asphalt to provide a good mopping surface.
- 4. Cold storage board made of resinbonded fibers and enclosed on all sides and edges with a heavy, low-porosity asphalt coating.
- 5. Floor slab insulation, similar to the cold storage board.
- Blankets of standard unbonded or resin-bonded wool faced on one or both sides with wire mesh or metal lath.

(Continued on page 226)

TABLE 3—SOUND ABSORPTION CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIN-BONDED STANDARD GLASS FIBER

| Density, Ib/cu ft | 2.0 | 4.25 | 4.25 | 6.0 | 9.0 |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| Thickness, in. | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Surface | Unpainted | Unpainted | Unpainted | Unpainted | Painted |
| Size Tested, in. | 24 x 36 | 24 x 36 | 24 x 36 | 24 x 36 | 12 x 12 |
| Noise Reduction | | | | | |
| Factor * | .60 | .70 | .85 | .75 | .75 |

^{*} This is the average of the sound absorption coefficients at frequencies of 256, 512, 1024 and 2048 cycles per second, given to the nearest 5 per cent



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STUDY FOR AN IDEAL PORT FACILITY

Made by Joseph A. Merz and Raniero Corbelletti

When pratt institute students Merz and Corbelletti chose the study of an ideal port facility for New York City as their thesis, they picked a type of building sorely neglected in most major seaports. They felt it deserves special attention today since lack of coordination between piers, trucking and train service

and warehousing not only delays the flow of goods, but increases traffic congestion throughout the cities. They chose New York for their study because of the opportunity for personal observation and research.

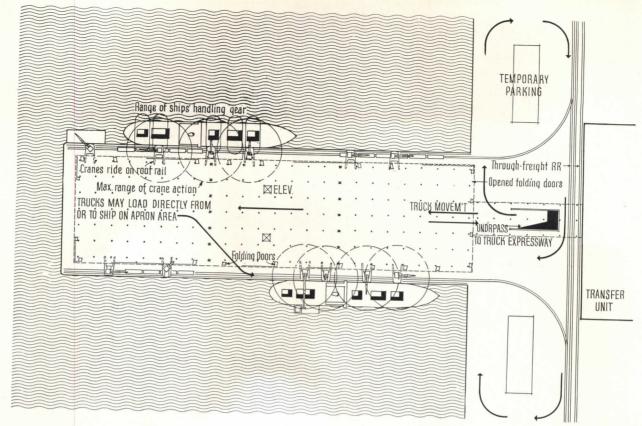
The students found that when a ship comes into port (New York) carrying

general cargo, approximately 30 per cent is destined for either long- or short-term storage, while approximately 40 per cent will go out by truck and the other 30 per cent by train.

Piers they inspected have no direct connection to trains, so additional handling by trucks is necessary. Also they

Proposed Pier Structure





Pier, First Deck

discovered that it is difficult for trucks to go directly to piers. According to their figures, an average truck consumes three hours completing its tour of a pier, two of these hours being spent waiting. They estimate that truck delays at steamship piers and waterfront railroad stations now cost local and outside users of the port of New York about \$9,000,000 a year.

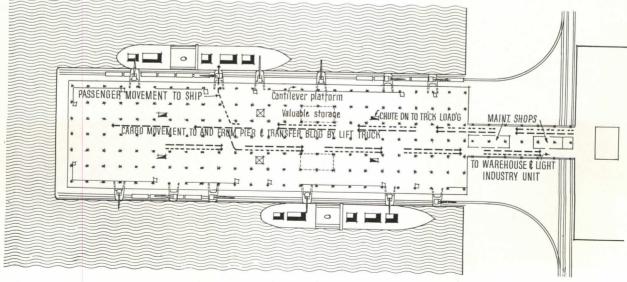
Their investigation showed that there was no over-all plan for development of the port area of New York, so when it began to expand, the early waterfront residences became warehouses, shops, wholesale and retail markets, etc., and later on other buildings nearby became

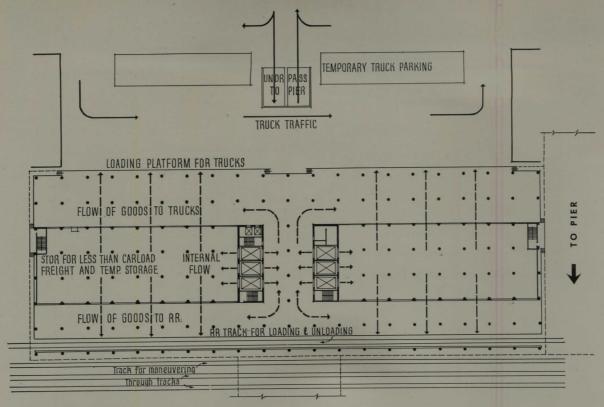
occupied by light industry. This resulted in considerable cross traffic with consequent delays in transporting goods.

The proposed solution consists of a two-deck pier connected to a transfer building which has floors for temporary or long-term storage, for light industry and for marketing. There is direct access to the pier by rail and truck. Integral with the pier are cranes which can move cargo between ships, trucks and freight cars or to the pier decks. The main purpose of the transfer unit is to confine the bulk of commercial traffic to the outer edge of the city. This article abstracts their study, excluding some parts on existing New York traffic and piers.

First deck of pier (above) primarily handles goods which travel out immediately by truck or train. Since these goods are not related to the transfer unit with its warehousing, this section of the pier acts independently. On the second deck (below) goods are stored for three to five days and then shunted down to waiting trucks or are sent to a warehouse or industry floor in the transfer unit. Smaller dashes show how passengers reach ship by walking through the cranes

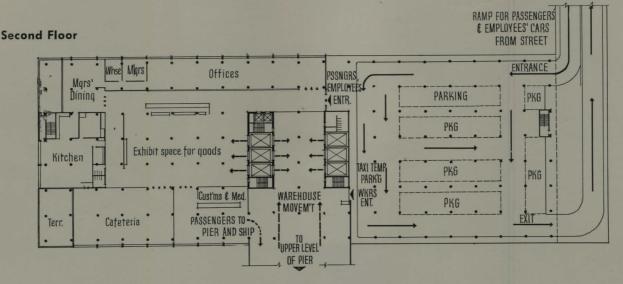
Pier, Second Deck



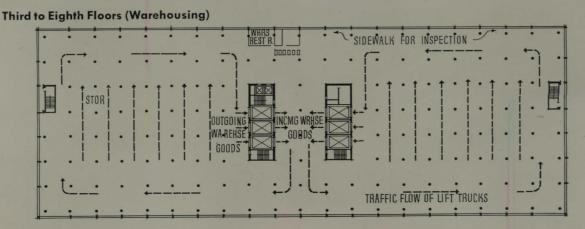


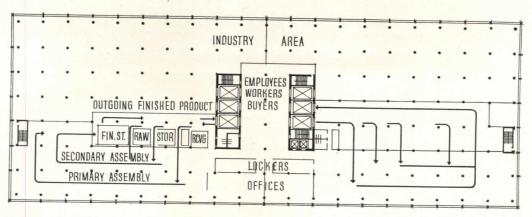
Transfer Building—Main Floor

On the main floor of the transfer unit (above) there is a direct connection between trucking and rail services. Elevators shuttle between the temporary storage and warehouse and industry floors. At the second floor (below) goods are brought to the elevators from the second deck of the pier by lift trucks. Also on this floor are offices for warehouse administration; special provisions for wholesale marketing, auctions; eating facilities; passenger custom and medical service; postal and bank facilities



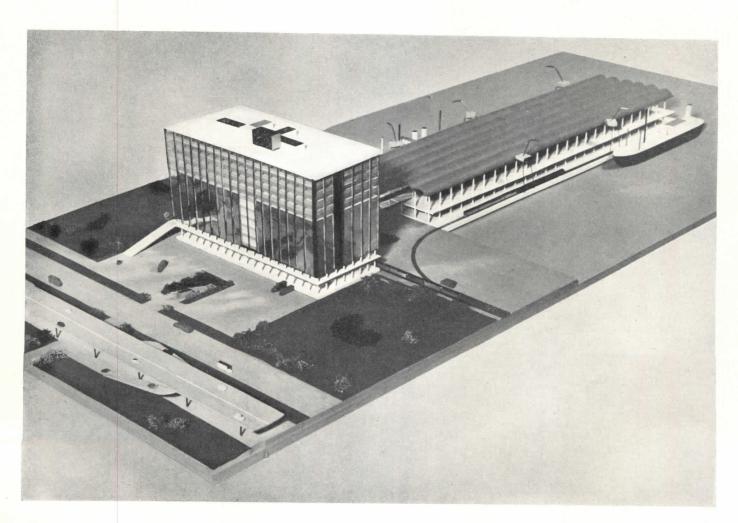
About 500,000 sq ft are available on the warehouse floors (below). Storage area and column spacing were determined on the basis of standard crate sizes and lift truck loads





Transfer Building, Ninth to Thirteenth Floors (Industry)

Above: arrangement of the industrial floors is flexible to meet the space required by various light industries. Central area is storage for raw materials and finished products, while the periphery is used for assembly lines to obtain natural lighting. Below: operation of the port facility can be easily understood by a glance at the model. Trucks turn off the expressway at the middle of the transfer building and reach the pier through an underpass. Ramp at the left of the building is for passenger cars. Trains go directly out to aprons on the piers. Metal curtain walls are used for the warehouse floors, while industrial floors are enclosed mainly by glass



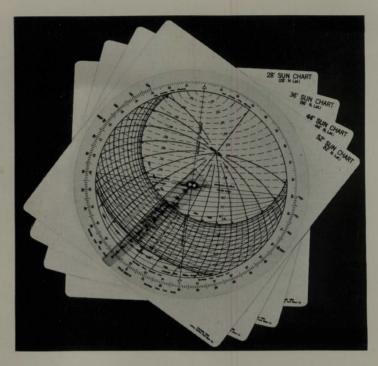
PRODUCTS for Better Building

Sun Angle Calculator

A handy new instrument has been developed to save time in the computation of such angular values of the sun's position as true angle, profile angle, bearing and angle of incidence. Rapid solution to these problems greatly speeds and simplifies the process of finding the depth of the sun's penetration through windows, the dimensions and position of shading devices, the proportions of shadows and the solar heat gain through windows.

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A series of charts adapt sun angle calculator for all U. S. latitudes

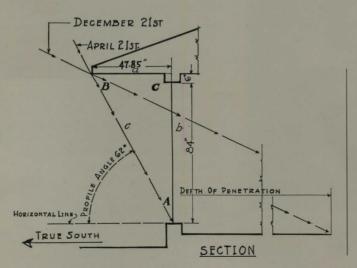
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Producers' Council Adds New Package Program

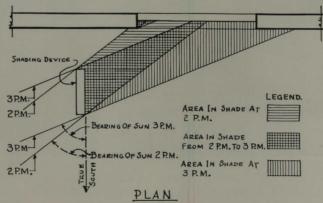
A new panel, Classroom Lighting and Equipment, has been added to the list of programs on building construction problems, which has been prepared by the Producers' Council, Inc., national organization of building manufacturers, with the assistance of the Dept. of Re-

search and Education of the A.I.A. The programs are planned for any joint Chapter meeting of the A.I.A. and the Producers' Council, or any A.I.A. Chapter where there is not a Producers' Council. Other panels are: Modern Rest Room Planning, Modern Methods of Fastening and Indoor Climate Control. (See Architectural Record, May 1950, page 167.)

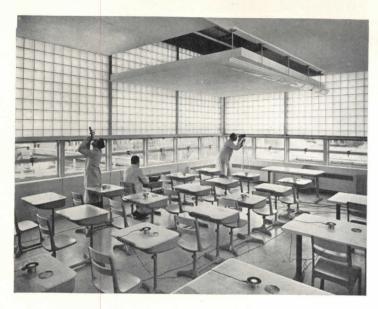
The newest program deals not only with the importance of design but also (Continued on page 182)



Calculator gives rapid data for computing proper dimensions of overhangs (left) and vertical sun baffles (below)



LITERATURE FOR THE OFFICE



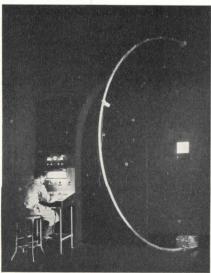
Full-size test classroom has four adjustable ceiling sections and a false west wall (back one) which has been removed here

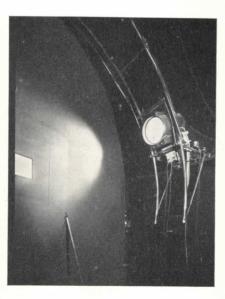
Daylighting Laboratory

Engineering Research Bulletin No. 32. As a rule, most university and college research bulletins, like technical society papers, reach only those limited groups with special knowledge in the field investigated. Quite often others who might be able to apply the results either don't

see the bulletin or, if they do, are lost in a maze of unfamiliar terms used in the presentation. A welcome exception to the rule is, "The Development of Prismatic Glass Block and the Daylighting Laboratory," a report covering 10 years' study by the University of Michigan, in the design and application of prismatic glass block.

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Artificial 'sun' at the University of Michigan illumination lab tests brightness and transmission of glass block (right). Light rays are measured by photocell on hoop (left)

Under the direction of Dr. R. A. Boyd, research physicist, and the sponsorship of American Structural Products Co., the project has involved study of light-diffusing and light-directing glass block. It has, at the same time, contributed valuable data concerning window arrangement and materials, reflectivity values of various color schemes, and the transmission of daylight under various room and weather conditions.

Presented in an interesting format, the bulletin is very readable, with its graphic drawings and photographs plus conveniently arranged tables. The mathematics involved in the studies, along with meteorological data, have been placed in appendices.

The booklet begins with a discussion of lighting codes and the fundamental principles of daylight illumination—as a preface to a statement of the functional requirements for prismatic glass block.

Then the daylighting laboratory and its operation are described. One part of the lab is a full-size classroom in which the ceiling height is adjustable and which may be lighted from the south fenestration, or from south and west.

A description of test equipment, including a simulated "sun" and "sky" demonstrates how these instruments enable the researchers to determine brightness and transmission data that would probably take years to accumulate using natural illumination alone.

The completeness with which the data is taken is apparent after reading the section on measurement procedures.

The main section of the bulletin concludes with a description of a new type prismatic glass block and performance of the block in a classroom with south exposure, having ceiling and chalkboard reflectance values as commonly recommended. Drawings show task illumination in foot-candles and brightness.

The purpose of the bulletin is not to present an assemblage of illumination data but rather to survey the research. As such, it promises more to come in providing architects with data on daylighting. 88 pp., illus. Price, \$1.00. Engineering Research Institute, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

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INSTALLATION OF GAS APPLIANCES—1: Venting

The following pages have been prepared from material included in the recently issued American Standard, Installation of Gas Piping and Gas Appliances in Buildings (ASA Z 21. 30-1950), and from the booklet, Venting of Gas Appliances, published by William Wallace Co. Portions of the American Standard, which was sponsored by American Gas Assn., Inc., are included in the new proposed New York State Building Code.

In the actual installation of any gas appliances, reference should be made to the manufacturer's instructions, gas company regulations, and local building, plumbing, or other codes in effect in the area in which the building is made.

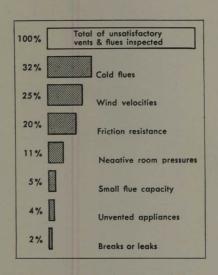
A constant fresh air supply is a prime necessity for satisfactory combustion in gas appliances, and for proper operation of gravity vents. Air infiltration in buildings of conventional construction is normally adequate for these purposes. Appliances installed in a confined space within such a building should have two permanent openings freely communicating with ventilated interior areas as in sketch at lower right. Ducts may be necessary to connect with sources of air supply which are any distance from the enclosed appliance.

Appliances in a building of unusually tight construction require a direct air supply from outdoors or from crawl spaces or attics with outside openings, as in the sketch at lower left. In confined spaces in this type of building, openings should be connected with the source of air supply by ducts. Openings to any confined space should have a minimum combined area of 1 sq in. per 1000 Btu per hour of input rating of the appliance. One opening should be near the top of the enclosure, one near the bottom. They should be of approximately equal area. In any case where ducts are required, they should be of the same cross sectional area as the openings to which they connect. The minimum dimension of rectangular ducts should be 3 in. or

The operation of exhaust fans, kitchen ventilators or fireplaces requires large quantities of air, and may cause faulty action of vents unless an added source of air supply is available. In extreme cases they could cause a vent to act as an air intake.

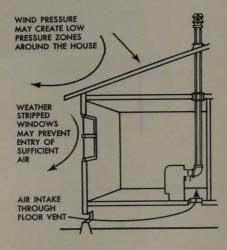
Combustion in most gas appliances produces several non-toxic products, including water vapor, carbon dioxide and nitrogen, which can become highly objectionable and often create a moisture problem if not removed. Approved modern appliances will not produce toxic carbon monoxide when properly installed and adjusted. In venting, the energy contained in the heat of the flue gases must carry out 2400 lbs

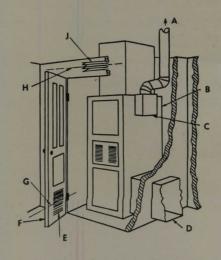
Left: tight construction requires air intake close to but not directly under draft diverter so flue gases are not chilled. Right: appliances in confined spaces require unblocked openings at E and J extending to ventilated area. Min distance G to H should be 31/2 ft. Door F must give easy access. Allow 6 in. min clearance as at B and C. Circulation air at D must be separate. End flue A above roof peak



Common causes of venting failures are indicated from the above survey

of flue gases for each 1000 cu ft of natural gas burned. This amount is based on normally standard conditions where there is 50 per cent excess air and 100 per cent dilution air at 70 F. An appliance with a 60,000 Btu rating burning 1000 Btu's of natural gas per hr would then be required to exhaust 144 lbs of flue gases each hour. An effective vent, with an adequate source of replacement air, is vitally needed to discharge all the waste products harmlessly to the outside atmosphere. A number of factors enter into the proper operation of a vent. Neglect of them causes vent failures shown in the chart at upper right. These







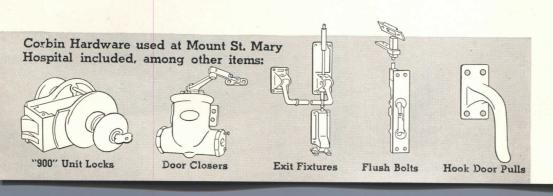
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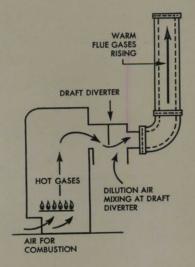
INSTALLATION OF GAS APPLIANCES-2: Venting

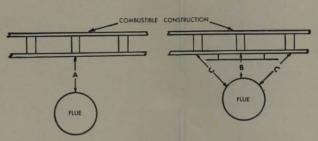
are based on a survey of actual venting failures as reported in Purdue University Engineering Bulletin, Research Series No. 103.

Operation of gravity type vents is dependent on the pressure differential between the weights of gases in the vent and the surrounding air. If the flue gases are warmer, and therefore lighter, than the surrounding air, the latter will exert a pressure by pushing in through the combustion chamber and draft diverter and float the gases out the top of the vent. (See sketch at bottom left.)

It is extremely important that the flue gases be kept hot, as this is the only source of energy available to pump the gases up the vent in this type of system. Many vent failures result from excessive thermal loss which occurs when vents and vent connectors are uninsulated and so cold that the interior gases are too heavy to be floated out. Methods often used to prevent this include: use of insulated vents and connectors in unheated spaces; installation of vents as vertically as possible inside heated spaces to take advantage of the surrounding warm air; and use of a vent of low thermal capacity that heats quickly. Though interior vent surfaces temperatures should be relatively high, exterior walls of the vent should remain at low temperatures during prolonged operation to prevent a fire hazard.

All possible precautions should be





A equals required clearance with no protection as specified in Table 1. B equals reduced clearance permitted in accordance with Table 2. Protection applied to combustible construction is required to extend in each direction to make C equal to A

TABLE 1 Flue or Vent Connector Clearances for Listed Appliances

| | Minimum Distance from Combustible Construction | | |
|------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| Appliance | Metal Flue or Vent Connectors | Type B Flue or Vent Connectors | |
| Boiler | 6 in. | 1 in.* | |
| Warm Air Furnace | 6 in. | 1 in.* | |
| Water Heater | 6 in. | 1 in.* | |
| Room Heater | 6 in. | 1 in.* | |
| Floor Furnace | 9 in. | 3 in.** | |
| Incinerator | 18 in. | Not permitted | |

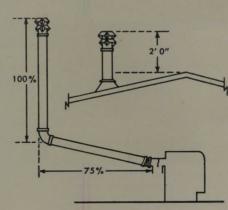
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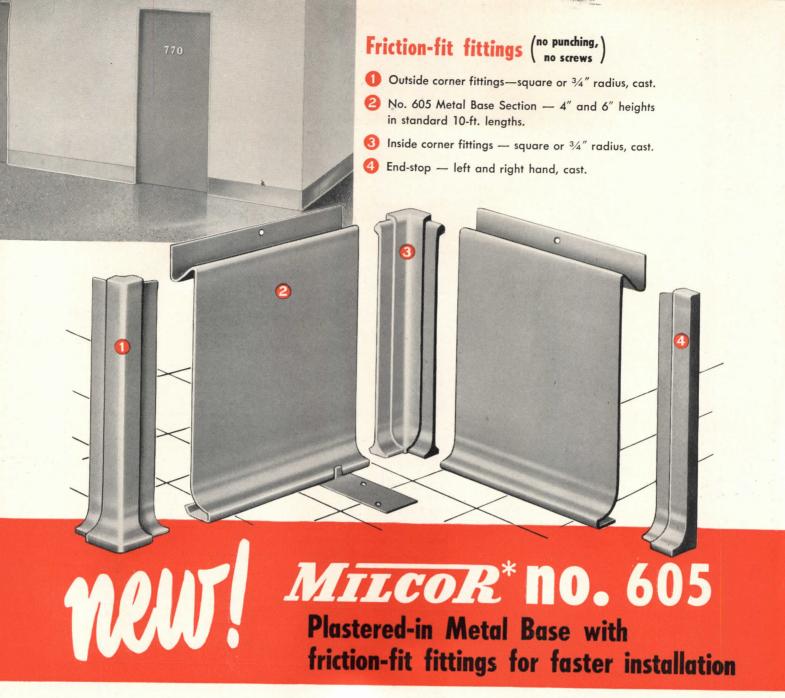
** 3 in. for a distance of not less than 3 ft from outlet of the draft hood. Beyond 3 ft the minimum clearance is 1 in.

TABLE 2 Clearances with Specified Forms of Protection

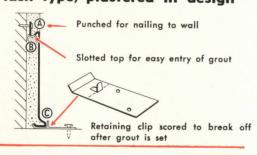
| Where required clearance with no protection is: | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Type of Protection Applied as Illustrated Above | 6 in. clearance reduced to: | 9 in. clearance reduced to: | 18 in. clearance reduced to: | |
| 1/4 in. asbestos mill- board spaced out 1 in. with non-combustible spacers | 3 in. | 6 in. | 12 in. | |
| 28 ga. sheet metal on 1/4 in. asbestos mill-board | 2 in. | 4 in. | 12 in. | |
| 28 ga. sheet metal spaced out 1 in. with non-combustible spacers | 2 in. | 4 in. | 9 in. | |

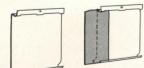
Proper operation of vents requires pressure of colder surrounding air on lighter warm flue gases to force gases out vent top (left). Draft diverter relieves pressure reversals. Lateral runs of vents should not be over 75 per cent of the vertical height (right). Horizontal runs give resistance to flow. Flue should end at least 2 ft above roof





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INSTALLATION OF GAS APPLIANCES-3: Venting

taken to prevent any interference with the upward flow of the hot gases. Vents should be installed as vertically as possible. Vent connectors should be kept short, and square corners or sharp turns avoided. A smooth flowing round cornered tee or lateral joint should be used. To minimize frictional resistance, it is recommended that 45 degree elbows be used. Horizontal runs should not exceed 75 per cent of the vertical height, and should have a lateral rise of at least 1/4 in. to the ft. Connectors should never run downhill. Separate vertical vents should be used if appliances are a long distance apart. Where two vent connectors join into a common vertical vent, they should be placed at different levels to prevent interference from opposing gas flows.

The flue or vent should extend high enough above the building or other neighboring obstruction so that wind from any direction will not strike the flue from an angle above horizontal. A flue extended at least 2 ft above flat roofs, or above the highest part of wall parapets and peaked roofs within 30 ft, should be reasonably free from down drafts.

Most all gas appliances should be equipped with a draft hood or draft diverter. Failure to install this causes the equalization of pressure movements to take place within the appliance, and a sudden reversal of flue gas flow could smother the flame in the unit. In no case should a draft hood be installed in a false ceiling, in a different room, or in any manner that will permit a difference in pressure between the draft hood relief opening and the combustion air supply. The relief opening itself should be located so it is not obstructed by any part of the appliance or adjacent construction.

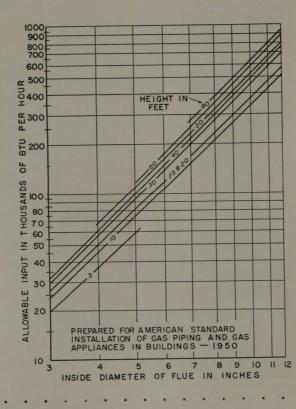
Flues or vents are classified into three general types:

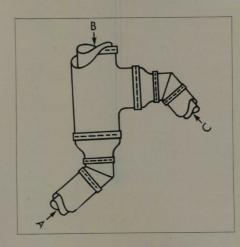
Type A — flues or vents or masonry, reinforced concrete, or metal smoke stacks. These should be used for incinerators, appliances convertible to solid or liquid fuels, and most boilers and warm-air furnaces.

Type B — vent piping of non-combustible, corrosion resistant material capable of avoiding excess temperature on adjacent combustible material. These are used with appliances which produce flue gas temperatures not in excess of 550 F at the outlet of the draft hood.

Type C—flue or vent piping of sheet copper, galvanized iron or other approved corrosion-resistant material. It should be used only for runs directly from the space in which the appliance is located through the roof or exterior wall to the outer air. It should not pass through any concealed space or floor.

Size of the flue or vent should not be less than specified in the chart below left. In general it should equal the collar on the draft diverter. In no case should the area be less than that of 3 in. diam pipe. When two or more vents are joined, the cross-sectional area of the common vent must be at least the area of the largest vent plus 50 per cent of the areas of the other vents.





Left: chart to size flues for gas appliances of various Btu inputs. Size of flue selected should not be less than indicated for allowable input. Above: if two or more vents join into a common vent, the latter must be at least the area of the largest vent plus 50 per cent of the area of other vents. In the illustration, B equals A plus ½ C

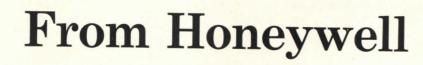
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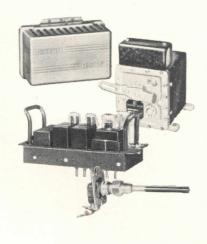




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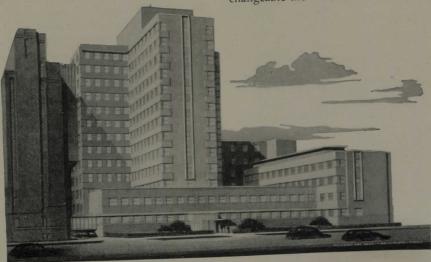
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Custom-Made Kitchens

A complete service including design, fabrication and installation of *Kitchen Queen* wooden kitchen cabinets is available at the new showrooms of *Westchester Custom Kitchens, Inc.* Details on the kitchen units were presented in the February, 1951, issue (Architectural Record, page 176).

Also available at the new showrooms are similar services for custom-tailored bathrooms — tub and shower enclosures and fixtures — steel radiator



Showrooms of Westchester Custom Kitchens, Inc. feature custom designed units

enclosures, fluorescent lighting fixtures and a gift and accessory department. Items may be obtained in a wide variety of colors, styles and price ranges.

Referred to as Custom Kitchens in the previous item, the complete address of the new showrooms of the firm is: Westchester Custom Kitchens, Inc., 145 East Post Road, White Plains, N. Y.

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GOOD BRICKWORK = GOOD DESIGN + GOOD WORKMANSHIP + GOOD MATERIALS



The face brick should be backplastered.



If the back-up units are laid first, the front of the back-up units should be plastered.



Backplastering should not be attempted over protruding mortar joints.

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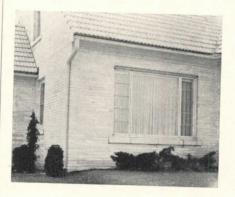
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Masonry Units

Masonry building units, called Cavitex, feature a semi-hollow formation which is claimed to make them at least 40 per cent lighter per cubic inch than conventional brick. Sides of the cavities slope from the top to permit a greater bearing surface for mortar than is found in many hollow building units.

Cavitex is made from hard minerals, such as gravel, crushed rock, sand, etc.,



Lightweight masonry units feature horizontal shapes, range of colors

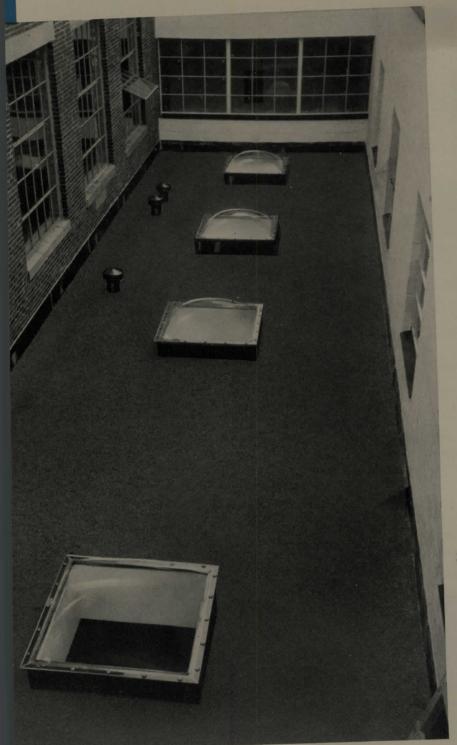
and bonded by Portland Cement. It is also available made from lightweight aggregates, such as pumice, where light weight is required. Dimensions of the units — 16 in. long by 4 in. thick — are planned for use in modular design. Three units, including mortar joint allowances, equal 8 in. in height. A wide range of colors is available. W. E. Dunn Mfg. Co., Holland, Mich.

Insulated Metal Bushings

Bushends are insulated metallic conduit bushings designed to protect against abrasion of cable insulation and accidental grounds. They are said to require no inside locknuts as is the case with bushings constructed wholly of insulating material. According to the

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Glass Block

Two features to reduce installation time and costs for Insulux Light-Directing Glass Block have been announced. The first is a new finish applied to exposed faces of the block during manufacture. It is claimed to be water-repellent, preventing adhesion of mortar to the faces during the laying operation. This is said to result in easier and faster cleaning of the panels, and to eliminate the need for strong acids commonly used for cleaning masonry work.



Light-directing glass block has new finish on exposed faces to prevent adhesion of mortar, stripe on edges as guide for proper installation

The second feature is an electronically applied gold stripe on the top mortar-bearing edge of each light-directing block, to make it easier to lay them in correct position. If all blocks in one (Continued on page 188)



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course have been installed properly, the gold line will be unbroken. Improperly installed block can quickly be detected. American Structural Products Co., Ohio Bldg., Toledo 1, Ohio.

Coliseum Heating

An unusual method of heating the balcony area was used for the new



Space under balcony seats is used as plenum chamber for coliseum heating (left). Outlets are under each seat (below)



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Two Safety Films

Approved by the Underwriters and Danger Sleuths, are the titles of two 16-mm sound movies depicting the work of the Underwriters' Laboratories. In the first film, which runs 27 minutes, actual tests of a great variety of products are shown. The film shows how the tests are conducted and why. Types of tests include fire tests of building materials, showing how protection provided by fire doors, fire windows and walls, is measured. Other sequences show tests of electrical equipment, and crime-prevention tests.

The second film, which runs 16 min-(Continued on page 190)



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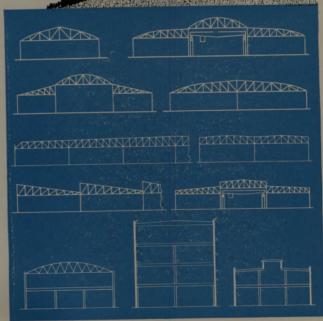
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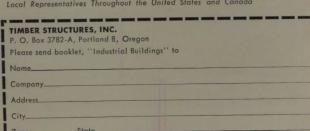


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utes, tells a condensed story of protection provided for the home. It features a portion of the daily life of an average American family, from early morning until dark. With electric blankets, waffle irons, television sets, as well as gasoline stations, schools, safes and even police squad cars, this film illustrates the possible fire, accident and crime

hazards of every-day life. The audience then goes "back-stage" into the Laboratories to see the safety tests of these materials as well as the many tests on building materials used in home, schools and public buildings.

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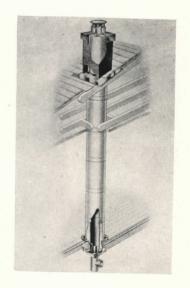
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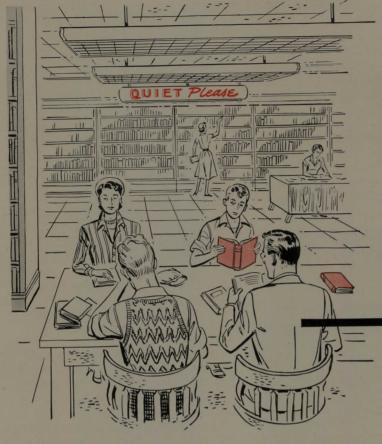


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have an insulating value equal to a 24 in. brick chimney wall, or a 70 in. concrete chimney wall. It is also said to have an Underwriters' Laboratories approval for zero clearance where the chimney passes through floor, ceiling or roof. Roof flashing, housing and cap come with the unit. The Van-Packer Corp., Field Bldg., 135 South La Salle St., Chicago 3, Ill.

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Air Terminal Heating

Herman Nelson Unit Heaters have been used to heat the large General Louis E. Boutwell Building at Logan International Airport, Boston, Mass. The unit heaters are said to maintain uniform comfortable temperatures throughout the building. The corridor.

3053 ft long with one wall of glass, is heated by 60 vertical shaft propellerfan type heaters, each delivering 1120 CFM and 93,950 Btu per hour. Twelve similar units are used in storage, baggage and express areas. Sixteen loading area doors are blanketed by 32 cabinet type unit heaters.

All of the heaters are thermostatically controlled to take advantage of the sun effect on the large glass area. Among the advantages claimed for the system are a saving in floor space — all units are ceiling and wall mounted - and ready ac-



Unit heaters are used to heat large airport terminal building

cessibility for maintenance. The heater cabinets are finished in hard baked

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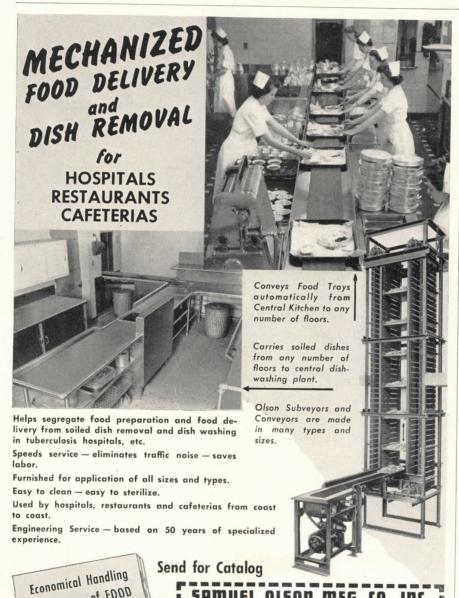
Additional savings are made because of the smaller sizes of electrode wire used, according to the manufacturer. Welds can be made in either straight seams or following an irregular contour.

Recommended applications include: fabricating pipe, box sections, special I-beams and H-sections, and field erection of large outdoor storage tanks. Lincoln Electric Company, Cleveland 1. Ohio.

Porcelain Enamel Window Sills

Porcelain enameled steel window sills, originally developed for school and housing projects, are now produced for general home installations and other types of private and public buildings. Fabricated to specification in a variety of colors, the sills are suggested for use in bathrooms and kitchens. According to the manufacturers, they are impervious to water, humidity, household cleaners, alcohol and other home haz-

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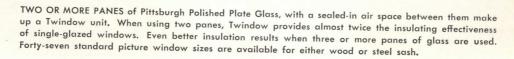
(At right) THE NEW COPA CITY theatre and restaurant at Miami Beach, Florida, is an outstanding architectural creation. It was natural that Pittsburgh Products should be chosen for this splendid building. Extensively used are Pittsburgh Polished Plate Glass, Herculite Doors, Door Frames, Mirrors and Pittco De Luxe Metal. Designer: Norman Bel Geddes, New York City; Architect: Norman Giller, Miami Beach, Florida.

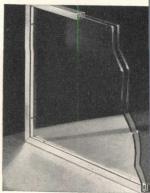
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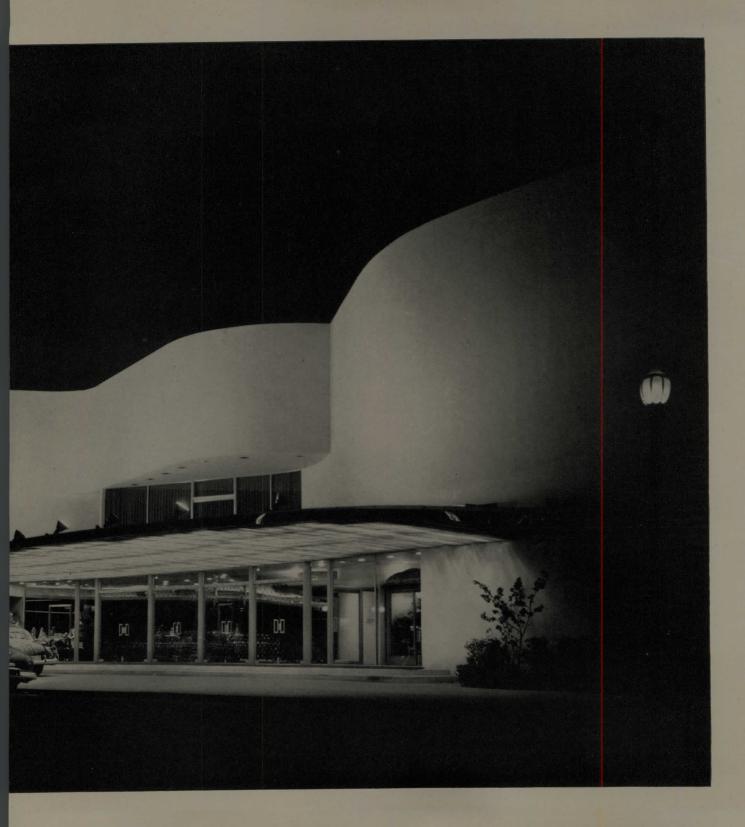




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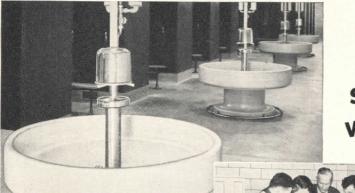
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ards and are easily cleaned with a damp cloth.

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New chair is made of molded woods

Danish Imported Chair

Fritz Hansen is the designer of a contemporary style chair, which can be stored in a carton 26 by 31 by 5 in. The chair is designed with a laminated beech frame which includes integral arms. Fitting flush into the sides are a molded back and seat of another wood — teak, walnut, or mahogany. This secondary wood is repeated in the legs where it is set between beech strips.

Sides are vertical, and units are available with one arm, two arms or no arms, for use in sectional groupings. Each style comes in three variations: beech frame with contrasting wood seat and back; two-wood frame with leather or fabric reversible cover which slips into the frame; and two-wood frame with upholstered seat and back.

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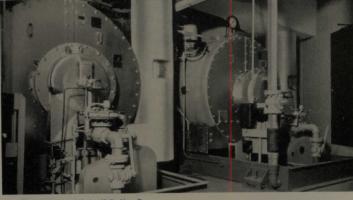
Filter is made of fine mesh wire strips

High Velocity Air Filter

A new high velocity unit air filter, the American Type HV, designed to operate at velocities up to 500 fpm, has been introduced. It is made of corrugated strips of fine mesh wire, with the corrugations tapered so that two strips placed together form a series of pyramid-shaped pockets. The small ends of the pockets are closed to the air flow which, according to the manufacturer, eliminates any open air passages through the media. The filter is said to maintain a uniformly high cleaning efficiency over a

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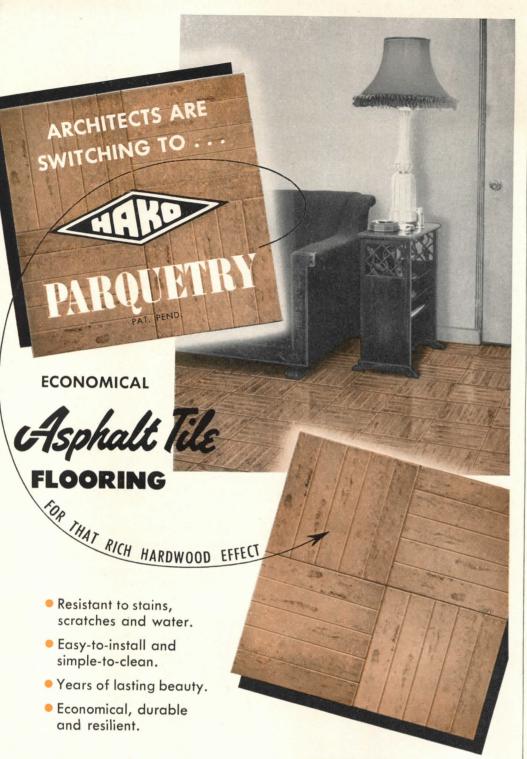
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Tubular Locks For Homes

A new line of residential tubular locks called Yale Home Duty Tubular Locks features four models: entrance door locks; locks for closets, vestibules and



One of new line of residential locks

connecting doors; bedroom door locks; and kitchen and bathroom door locks. In order to save on critical materials, the company announces that it will discontinue several of its other lines of residential tubular locks. The new line will be available in brass knobs and trim for front doors. All others will have steel knobs and trim with satin brass finish.

All locks are pre-assembled at the factory into five component units. Installation, it is said, is easy and rapid thus reducing labor costs. The pre-assembled units are: latch assembly and face plate; outside rose with "bridge girders"; outside knob and spindle; inside rose; and inside knob. Yale & Towne Manufacturing Co., Chrysler Bldg., New York 17, N. Y.

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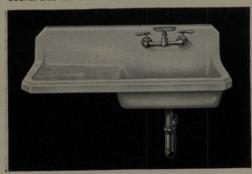
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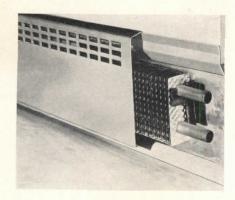
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Precast Masonry Wall Sections

A new, factory-precast masonry wall section which produces 40 sq ft of finished wall in one operation has been introduced. According to the company, these units save considerable installation time, as 40 sq ft of wall can be erected in five minutes. Average size of the hollow wall units is 4 ft wide, 10 ft high, 8 in. thick. It is claimed that no interior

or exterior finish is needed on the precast units.

All steps in the manufacture of the sections are performed under carefully controlled conditions in the factory. The concrete has lightweight expanded slag as the aggregate. The surface can be painted directly if desired. Left unpainted, the sections are said to resemble limestone. Advantages claimed include durability, high wind resistance and good insulating qualities. Precast Building Sections, Inc., New Hyde Park, Long Island, N. Y.



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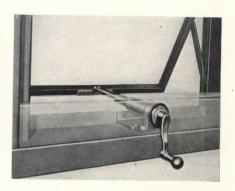
5046 S. Center Street, Adrian, Michigan

Radiant Baseboard Heater

The Brown Bayce Heet radiant baseboard heater features beaded aluminum fins to provide greater radiation surface. The beading process is also claimed to strengthen the fins and provide longer life of the product. The baseboard is made up in standard 5 ft units that weigh 12 lbs. Each unit can be cut to any desired length. The heaters are mounted on 3 wall brackets, and extend 11/8 in. from the wall. Cover panels are removable for cleaning, and feature a closed top with openings on the front to prevent streaking the wall. Brown Products Co., Forest Hills, N. Y.

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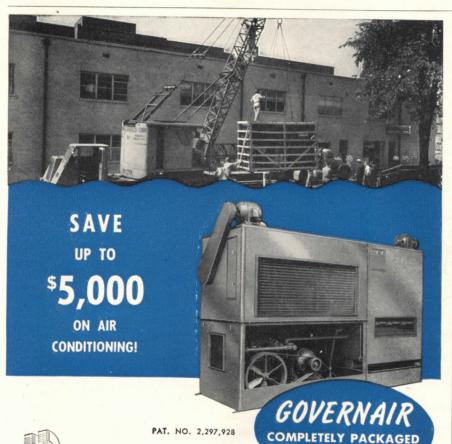


Drawer support enables opening of drawer to full depth

due to the design of the mechanism. The support consists of four right-angle pieces of metal - two to each drawer side. Two of the pieces are tracks, and are screwed into the side of the case in a stationary position. The other two pieces, support angles, are attached to the drawer, and fitted into the stationary pieces. The drawer may be lifted out of the tracks for cleaning. The Extension Drawer Support Co., 3727 Broadway Place, Los Angeles 7, Calif.

Submersible Pump

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company states that in addition to the above features, the pump is easy to install by adding pipe lengths to the depth of the water, and requires no jets, rods or shafts. The pump is designed for settings in excess of 70 ft deep, and for well diameters of 4 in. and larger.

It is claimed that no priming is required, as all operating elements are under water. The motor consists of a sealed rotor and stator — water-lubricated and water-cooled. Motor relay and capacitor are located in a control box above ground and may be removed without disturbing the main well installation. Fairbanks, Morse and Co., 600 So. Michigan Ave., Chicago 5, Ill.

New Plastic Designs

"Skylark" and "Fernglo" are the names given to the newest designs of the

Formica line of decorative laminated plastic panels. "Skylark" is an abstract pattern; "Fernglo" is a foliage pattern. Both were designed by Brooks Stevens Associates. The first pattern is available in 10 colors and the latter in seven. The Formica Co., 4614 Spring Grove Ave., Cincinnati 32, Ohio.

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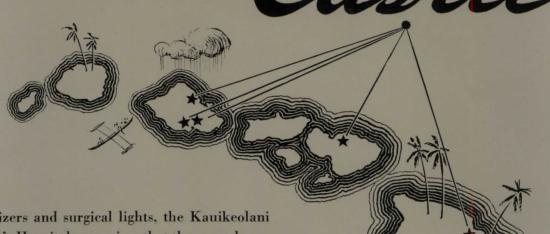
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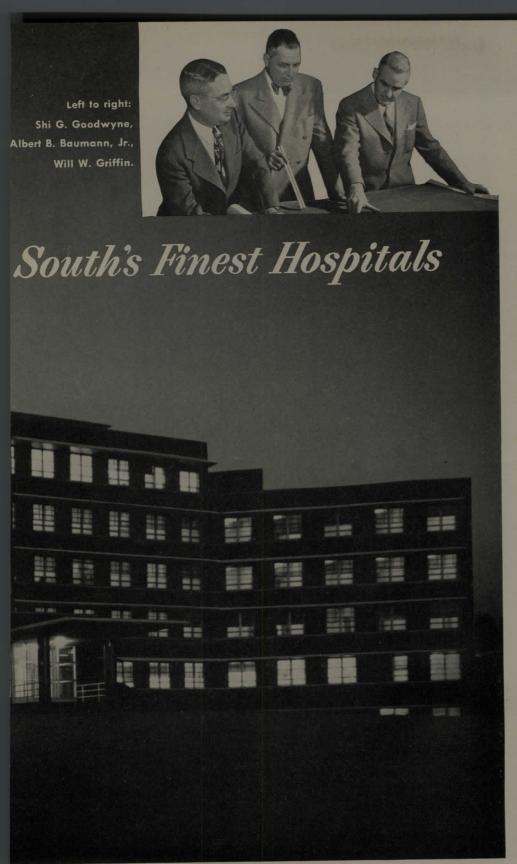


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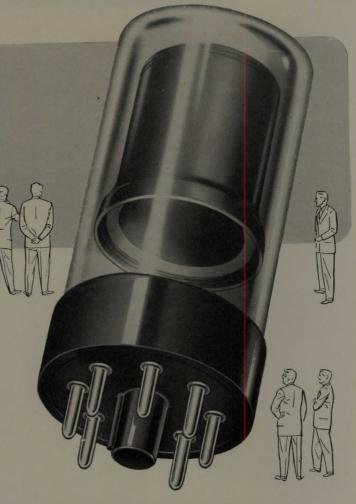
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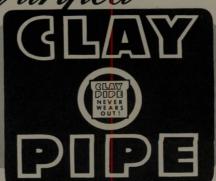


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Air Diffusers

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Forced Air Furnace

Majestic Oil or Gas Utility Furnace. Leaflet describes various models of the turnace. Table lists furnace specifications for both perimeter and convectional heating. 6 pp., illus. The Majestic Company, Erie St., Huntington, Indiana.*

Boilers

Straight Ahead Since 1886. Leaflet issued commemorating 65th anniversary of Fitzgibbons Company. Short history of company, plant operations and typical installations given. Information on six models includes sizes and Btu per hour. 6 pp., illus. Fitzgibbons Boiler Company Inc., 101 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y.*

* Other product information in Sweet's File,

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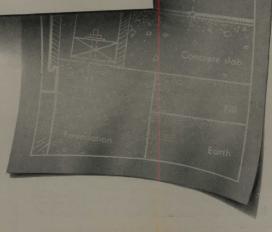
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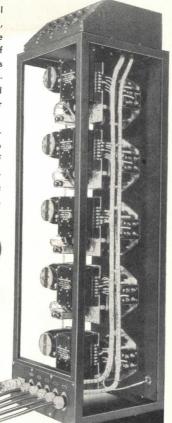
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Steel Hospital Equipment

Moduline. Module (unit) Steel Furniture for the Hospital and Laboratory. Booklet describes component basic units of equipment and illustrates typical installations. Possible combinations shown in cut-away drawings with floor plans. Dimensions for all units given. Page of accessories is included. 20 pp., illus. A. S. Aloe Co., 1831 Olive St., St. Louis 3, Mo.

Radiators

Low-Level Conventor Radiators (Catalog No. 4150). Brochure describes convector radiators especially designed for installation beneath picture windows, and which may be installed as either free-standing or partially recessed units. Dimensions and design features are described, and the following data are given: steam capacity data, hot water capacity ratings at 10-, 20- and 30-F drops. Given also are architect's specifications. 8 pp., illus. Young Radiator Co., Racine, Wis.*

Refrigeration Unit

Contravac Hermetic Centrifugal Refrigeration Unit. (Bulletin DS-399.) Booklet covers design and uses of new refrigeration unit. Separate sections deal with construction features of component parts of system. Parts diagram, mechanical specifications, cycle of operation and details of the purge system are also included. Tables list capacities. Engineering specifications are also given, as well as roughing-in dimensions. 38 pp., illus. The Trane Co., 2nd & Cameron Aves., La Crosse, Wisconsin.*

Sand Finish Wall Coating

Conduro Sand Finish Wall Coating with Polymerized Soy Bean Oil, and Conduro Color Selector. Leaflets explain chemical background of soy bean oil, titanium, mica, asbestos fibre, pentachlorophenol and sand—components of the wall coating. Color Selector contains samples. Company also makes Tuff-Kote for use on stucco, cement, brick, concrete, metal, plaster. 4 pp., illus. Tuff-Kote Co., Woodstock, Ill.

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Exterior Doors

Angel New Exterior Fir Veneered Doors. Large sheet demonstrates the 25 models of fir plywood paneled exterior doors available in two sizes. All doors have windows, some with single panes of glass, others with two to six lights, arranged in various patterns. 1 p., illus. Angel Novelty Co., Fitchburg, Mass.

Gas Boilers

22, 33 & 44 Series National Gas Boilers. Pamphlet gives data on gas boilers designed primarily for steam and hot water heating systems and also for direct and indirect hot water storage systems. There are six boilers in the "22" series, six in the "33" and nine in the "44" Steam and water boilers are shown in cutaway sections. The component parts of the units are illustrated and described. Automatic controls are discussed, with diagrams and small photographs. Specifications, ratings and engineering data are given for use with all types of gases. A chart lists the dimensions for all types of boilers in each series. 8 pp., illus. The National Radiator Co., Johnstown, Pa.

Surfacing Material

Nevamar. High Pressure Laminates. Brochure discusses properties and uses of a line of surfacing materials laminated under high pressures. Numerous color photographs show laminates made into paneling, counter tops, etc., in offices, kitchens, dinettes, cafeterias, stores. 8 pp., illus. The Nevamar Co., 1224 Wicomico St., Baltimore 30, Md.

Standard Plumbing Fixtures

Carrier Index for America-Standard Fixtures. Designed to help in the preparation of specifications, the pamphlet indexes a line of various types of wall fixture carriers and fittings for use with available wall type plumbing fixtures. Included are sheets on lavatory carriers; closet fittings; closet fittings and carriers; sink, urinal, hospital sink and hospital lavatory carriers. 7 pp., illus. J. A. Zurn Mfg. Co., Plumbing Div., Erie, Pa.*

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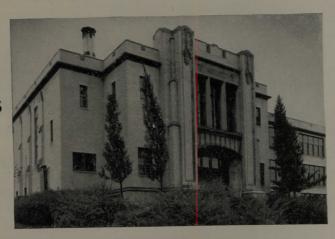
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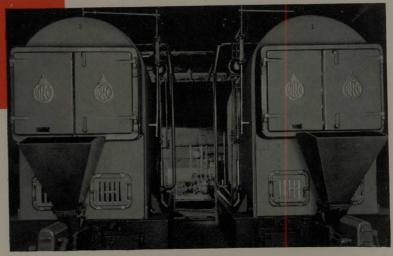
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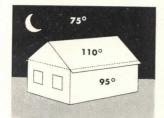


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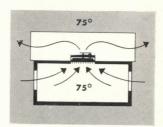


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Shielded Room Design

Notes on the Design, Construction and Evaluation of Shielded Rooms (PB 100 752). Report, prepared by Naval Research Laboratory, discusses performance standards in the design of shielded rooms for electronic research. Covers use of solid sheet metal for shielding power lines, openings for ventilating ducts and access doors. 20 pp., Illus. Price, 50 cents. Orders should be accompanied by check or money order payable to the Treasurer of the United States. Office of Technical Services, U. S. Department of Commerce, Washington 25, D. C.

Company Biography

Difficult Construction. Booklet commemorates 30th Anniversary of the Arthur A. Johnson Corp. Includes data on heavy construction jobs they have done, including: Toronto and Sixth Avenue subways; Van Wyck Expressway bridge; grading the site of the New York World's Fair; foundation and underpinning work for Stuyvesant and Peter Cooper apartment cities; defense projects; utility plants; dams; tunnels; sewers and highways. 36 pp., illus. Arthur A. Johnson Corp., 347 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

Basement Door

Bilco Opens the Way. Leaflet gives data on packaged, outside basement doors. Diagrams showing minimum and maximum stair runs for various sized doors are included. Tables give dimensions, weights. 4 pp., illus. The Bilco Co., 164 Hallock Ave., New Haven 6, Conn.*

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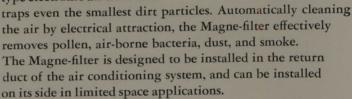
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7. Pipe insulation of resin-bonded standard or fine-filament fibers formed into half-cylindrical shapes to fit standard pipe sizes.

8. Duct insulation of (a) resin-bonded standard fibers made into slabs finished on both sides to facilitate cutting and to permit finishing with casein or varnishbased paints; and (b) resin-bonded fine-filament fibers made into flexible blankets.

In evaluating any insulation, the heat

capacity of the insulating material must be taken into account because this will affect the rapidity of its response to fluctuating temperature conditions. The greater the mass, the greater the "flywheel" effect and the more sluggish the response.

Glass has a specific heat of approximately 0.20 Btu per lb per deg F, which means that a rise of one degree will cause a storage of 0.20 Btu per lb of material. Fibrous glass insulation having a density of 6 lb per cu ft will, therefore, store 0.10 Btu per sq ft per in. of thickness per deg temperature rise. It will, conversely, liberate this amount of heat when the temperature drops 1 deg.

Glass fibers are not moisture absorbent beyond the amount of moisture that can be retained by surface wetting, and the wools have low resistance to the passage of vapor. If the dewpoint is reached within the mass of fibers, condensation can occur and it is therefore necessary to interpose a vapor barrier on the warm side of the insulation. The insulation, however, has a high rate of vapor diffusion, and if wetted will rapidly dry out when vented, with no ill effects

The standard unbonded forms may be used at temperatures ranging from subzero to approximately 1000 F. Bonded types generally cannot be used at temperatures above 600 F because the organic binders deteriorate.

Another glass fiber is fabricated of much finer filaments than the standard forms, providing lighter weight and greater resilience in the insulating blanket than standard types. Because of the organic resin binder, the materials are generally unsuitable at temperatures above 600 F.

Sound Absorption. Sound absorption characteristics are influenced strongly by the frequency of the sound, the method of installation, surface treatment, and many other factors, so sound absorption characteristics can be given only approximately. Table 3 presents figures obtained at Riverbank Laboratories for a resin-bonded slab type of insulation, when tested according to methods prescribed by the Acoustical Materials Association.

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Reinforcing for Plastics

Glass in fibrous forms is being employed in rapidly increasing quantities as reinforcing for various plastics in diverse applications of direct or potential interest in building.

In the building field, the most extensive use so far made of these materials has been as corrugated sheet

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stock for daylighting and for decorative purposes. Its high impact strength and the ease with which the corrugated material can be incorporated into standard corrugated construction have recommended it for such purposes in a growing number of installations.

An examination of the properties of this plastic should bring to mind many other possibilities.

The plastics employed fall into two principal classes: the thermosetting plas-

tics which must be molded or laminated at elevated pressures and temperatures; and the polyesters, which require little or no pressure and can be formulated to cure at room temperature. (See Architectural Record, March 1950, pp. 132–137.) The polyesters are favored for most applications because they are liquids to begin with and can easily have the glass fibers incorporated into them when formed by relatively simple techniques.

Because of the high strength of the glass fibers and the good mechanical properties including toughness of the polyester resins, the strength properties of the plastic-glass combinations are good. Impact resistance is outstanding. The low specific gravity (approx. 1.5, compared with 2.70 for aluminum and 7.85 for steel) often gives a considerable advantage in strength and rigidity if equal weights of materials must be considered.

Approximate strength values for high-glass content materials are shown in Table 4. Strength properties remain good at sub-zero temperatures but drop off somewhat at elevated temperatures (above atmospheric conditions).



TABLE 4

Approximate Physical Properties and Characteristics of Polyester Resins Reinforced with Fibrous Glass

| Specific Gravity | 1.50 |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Strength Propertie | s |
| Tensile | 24,000 psi |
| Compressive | 25,000 psi |
| Flexural | 32,000 psi |
| Modulus of elasticity (flexure) | |
| Impact (Izod) | 25 ft lb per in. |
| Coefficient of thermal expansion | 16 x 10 ⁻ 6 per deg F |
| Coefficient of thermal transmission | 1.5 Btu / hr x sq ft x in. x F |

The material will withstand continuous temperatures at 250 F and intermittent heating to 300 F without serious effect. Resistance to moisture is excellent, and resistance to most acids, to most of the commonly found solvents and to weak and medium strength alkalies is good, depending on the type of polyester resin employed.

There are no longtime records of exposure to atmosphere (the first polyester resins appeared about 1942) but such exposure tests and accelerated weathering tests as are available indicate good resistance of the basic resin and glass fiber although some light discoloration may be expected upon long-continued exposure to sunlight.

Light transmission depends upon the thickness of the material, the proportions of fibrous glass, resin and dyes or pigments employed. Reported values for a sheet approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 ounces per sq ft are 79 per cent solar

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transmission for uncolored sheet, 60 to 63 per cent for yellow, 53 to 56 per cent for blue, and values as low as 30 per cent for some greens.

Reports of fire tests on the same sheet stock indicate that discoloration by flame may be expected at about 600 F, blistering at about 800 F and ignition of the plastic at about 850 F. The fibrous glass itself should withstand temperatures of 1000 F.

Forming technique employed depends upon the size and shape of the part, and upon the number of pieces to be produced. The various methods may be grouped into three principal types.

In the first, a simple mold of wood, sheet metal, concrete or other convenient material is built to the outside or inside contour of the object. After treatment to prevent sticking, successive coats of plastic resin, usually applied by brush or sprayer, and tailored glass mat or glass fabric are laid upon the mold to the desired thickness, after which the resin is allowed to cure either at room or elevated temperatures.

The principal advantages of the foregoing method are the simplicity of the mold and the flexibility of the process, permitting large and fairly complex shapes to be made with a minimum of equipment.

The second forming method is illustrated in the sketch on page 164. This method avoids the stickiness of the first method, time is said to be shorter and both surfaces of the part are smoothly finished against the mold, requiring little subsequent finishing.

If parts are small enough and if enough are to be made, matching metal molds in a molding press plus preformed glass mats are employed to provide faster molding cycles and to require less labor than either of the foregoing methods.

It would be possible for the architect to experiment with these plastics in making decorative objects, skylights and the like, but in general, the molding requires experienced labor because of the stickiness of the material and the tendency for the resin to run down sloping surfaces.

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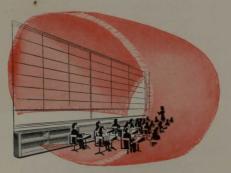


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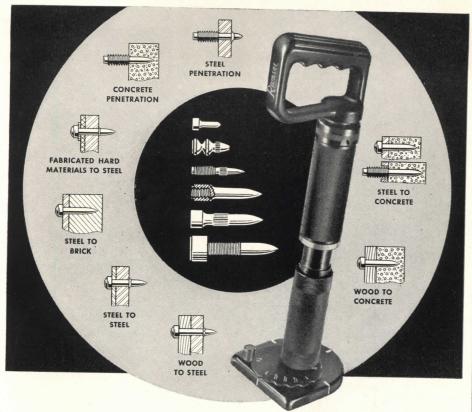
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These moves, then, set the pattern for future building operations throughout the country.

The Aiken and Paducah areas actually were designated as defense areas for the purpose of stimulating housing construction through relaxation of the credit control. They were the first regions of the country to be so pinpointed. Future determinations were to be made, under the new defense housing measure, by the President, on the basis of mobilization information.

Meanwhile, home builders complained that failure to act sooner was drying up land development activities. Frank Cortright, executive vice-president of the National Association of Home Builders, put it this way:

"An elaborate formula has been suggested, including a study of the housing supply, percentages of vacancies, the availability of manpower, etc., etc. In the meantime, builders are not acquiring and developing land as generally as they should, and invaluable time and building facilities are being dissipated. Unless the Administration moves promptly, the pre-Regulation X momentum will slow down in a few months and urgently required housing will not be available where and when needed."

Housing Bills Opposed

Progress of the housing bills through Congressional committees was nudged along by a letter from Chief Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson to chairmen of the Banking committees. At the same time

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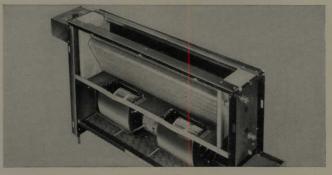
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some industry and business interests were pulling the other way, trying to stop the bill altogether.

This latter pressure was exemplified in the U. S. Chamber of Commerce statement asking Congress to lay aside the plan for what it called government stimulation of defense housing, including government construction. Federal controls already are reducing the output of private construction approximately 50 per cent, the Chamber said, and industry is ready and willing to build all the defense housing needed as fast as it is needed. "It should be given the opportunity to do so before the setting up of an elaborate set of federal subsidies and planning agencies," the Chamber asserted.

But Mr. Wilson's letter inevitably carried more weight with the committee groups. In it he stressed the need for quick action to avoid embarrassment to the mobilization effort; and to avoid forced decisions and hasty actions at a later date. At any rate, the House Banking Committee reported out its chairman's clean bill early in March, and the Rules Committee took it up the day after.

One part of the Wilson letter was par ticularly significant and undoubtedly conveyed a strong impression of the emergency nature of the proposed legislation to the committees. It said:

"The seriousness of the situation with which we are presently confronted, and which has made necessary the undertaking of a mobilization program of the character now contemplated, cannot be overemphasized. It is our purpose to carry out this program to the maximum extent practicable through the use of existing facilities, but acute shortages of housing and community facilities for the men required to man the production lines are already developing in some areas.

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Rental Housing Emphasized

As summarized for the Congressional Record, H. R. 2988, the new Spence measure reported out by the committee provides that housing and community facilities are to be made available as needed through planning and programming concurrent with defense activity planning. Primary emphasis is on rental housing for defense workers. Private enterprise is to be encouraged through relaxing credit restrictions (Regulation X) to provide as much of the defense housing as possible. Government-constructed housing is to be provided only if local agencies cannot, or will not, do so with the financial assistance made available under the bill. Federal agencies will cooperate with state and local agencies to integrate programs and oper-

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builders is the provision for an additional \$3 billion authorization for Federal Housing Administration mortgage insurance.

In working out the final draft of its bill just a month ago, the Committee attempted to compromise sharp agency differences on administration of programs by leaving final determination up to the President. During the lengthy hearings that preceded approval of the defense housing measure, a sizable tiff developed between the Housing and Home Finance Agency and the Federal Security Agency over administrative designations in the proposed legislation. HHFA spokesmen pointed out to Congress that they already had the Bureau of Community Facilities, which was familiar with details of community facility construction. The FSA, on the other hand, argued that with its present

hospital construction program under the U. S. Public Health Service, and with its Office of Education supervision of schools, it should be handed responsibility for community facilities planning and construction in connection with the suggested loan and grant program.

If Congress eventually approves the recent House committee action, the President's office will have to make the final decisions on who gets what in the way of planning and construction.

The only committee concession to a request by the American Institute of Architects that planning provisions of the measure be strengthened apparently was this provision in the statement of policy:

". . . Any department or agency performing functions hereunder shall, in carrying out such functions, consult with the appropriate state and local agencies having responsibilities in connection with the planning, provision, construction, or operation of community facilities or services so that, insofar as practicable, community facilities and services assisted or provided pursuant to this Act may be integrated with state and local programs for such facilities and services."

Ralph Walker, president of the A. I. A., had called for definite requirements to be written into the bill providing that all work should carry definite plans for all the community facilities and amenities necessary to encourage low labor turnover. Federal moneys should not be used to encourage slovenly shack towns, he asserted.

The sum of \$10 million as a revolving fund for the community facilities construction program was retained in the House committee version. Mr. Walker had advised that this amount "would seem far from adequate" for the purpose it was intended to fulfill.



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Significantly, the statement from the White House, issued at the time the President's request for new funds went to Congress, made no mention of bomb shelter construction specifically. It said

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the quarter of a billion dollars was sought in supplementary fiscal 1951 appropriations as a protective facilities fund which would enable the Federal Civil Defense Administration to begin its broad program of helping the states to help themselves in preparing against bomb attack.

As the White House stated it, the new provision of funds would "enable the Administration to get started on a program of matching state funds for the modification of existing structures for the protection of the civilian population in critical target areas."

These additional funds, said the President, are urgently needed in the fiscal year 1951 (ending June 30) so that the Administration can get organized to fulfill its obligations and so that the policy and intent of the federal government can be indicated to the states and they in turn can get a program underway as soon as possible.

Building May Get \$500 Million

The amounts recommended are to be made available until June 30, 1952, however, because of the short time remaining in the current fiscal year. It is recognized that some states will not have matching funds available until after mid-year. Also taken into account was the probability of delays that might occur in obtaining procurement priorities for some critical items. Part of the \$403 million asked — \$25 million — is for the FCDA procurement fund. The procurement fund is a loan fund from which the states' share of organizational equipment and supplies would be financed pending approval of state plans and the availability of state moneys from which reimbursement will be made to this fund.

Should Congress provide the full \$250 million now requested for the protective facilities program, and all of it is allocated on a matching basis, it would account for roughly \$500 million worth of construction activity, mainly of the alteration type.

This protective facilities approach is conceived by authorities as the quickest way of providing protection to the largest number of people. Existing structures can be "proofed" to provide a good measure of safety against enemy attack in a much shorter time than entire new shelters — particularly extensive underground areas — could be constructed. This, however, does not rule out the bomb shelter building, which definitely remains the larger share of the over-all defense plan, constructionwise.

The alteration and remodeling of existing buildings to make them suitable locations of refuge in time of bomb attack could take several forms. Communities might decide to strengthen the roof on a school building, or on the city hall. Much of the effort probably would go into the remodeling of basements to

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make them better protective areas. The reinforcement of building walls should develop as an important part of the protective facilities program.

The \$250 million request can be considered as only the start of a more comprehensive protection program to be carried out by the FCDA. Congress has authorized total outlays of \$3.1 billion in a federal civil defense bill. Eventually, better than half this amount is ex-

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pected to go toward matching state funds for the bomb shelter construction program.

Precast Concrete vs. A-Blast

Meanwhile, speaking in San Francisco, Arsham Amirikian, head design engineer, Bureau of Yards and Docks, Department of the Navy, recommended precast concrete as a good type of construction for protection against atomic

bomb blast. Precasting could serve well for the building of emergency shelters; and in the protection of existing buildings this type of construction could provide a valuable outer shell defense. Readily-assembled framing elements, Mr. Amirikian said, could be prefabricated at regional plants and stockpiled at strategic points for immediate use in emergency.

Mr. Amirikian offered the thin-shell precast concrete technique as one solution to the shelter problem. Such shelters could be used either as an initial shield against atomic blast and radiation, or as emergency shelters after the attack.

"Standardized designs of framing and methods and procedures of fabrication will unquestionably simplify the task of construction," he observed. Precast structures can be designed to assure a reasonable degree of safety to occupants against effects of a bomb exploded 2000 feet overhead. These circumstances are similar to those at Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The Navy engineer proposes different types of protective structures for areas in a ¾-mile radius surrounding the target; an area of ¾-mile to one mile; and an area located outside the one-mile radius limit.

The increased attention to civil defense and the more important role for architects and contractors focuses attention on many new problems developing as the federal government moves ahead with its several programs in this field. Some home building shows are displaying model backyard shelter types.

At Boston the thirty-second annual convention of the Associated General Contractors of America recommended that general contractors throughout the nation offer their services to civil defense authorities in planning most effective use of construction organizations in the civil defense program. It also recommended that authorities make use of construction organizations and their personnel and equipment so that no unnecessary public expenditures are made for purchases of machinery or the establishment of unnecessary organizations for civil defense purposes.



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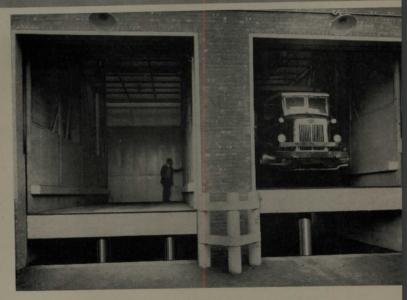
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build, and similar evidence is acceptable.
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• The House Small Business Committee continued to criticize contract award policies of the military and other government agencies. A staff report also was critical of the Army Engineers for no longer making available summaries of major construction projects. The committee itself said it favored withholding of information where real security is involved, but added "there is little justification for refusal of information on most unclassified contracts."

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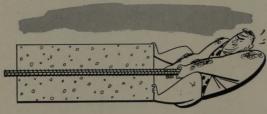
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Apr. 11–13: Southern District meeting, American Institute of Electrical Engineers — Miami Beach, Fla.

Apr. 11–15: Annual meeting, American Planning and Civic Association — McAllister Hotel, Miami, Fla.

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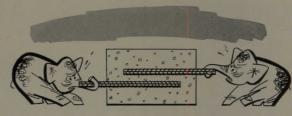


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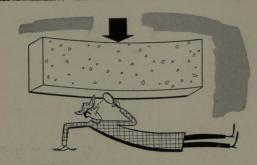
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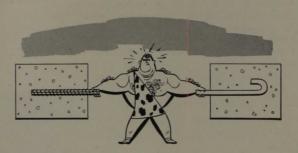
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Apr. 30-May 2: 20th Anniversary Conference, American Institute of Decorators — Hotel Pantlind, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Apr. 30-May 4: National Materials Handling Exposition and Conference, American Materials Handling Society International Amphitheater, Chicago.

May 1-4: American Institute of Decorators Trade Exhibition, in conjunction with 20th anniversary conference -Grand Rapids Civic Auditorium, Grand Rapids, Mich.

May 2-4: Northeastern District Meeting, American Institute of Electrical Engineers — Syracuse, N. Y.

May 3-Sept. 30: Festival of Britain, including architectural exposition on main exposition grounds, south bank of Thames, London - London and throughout British Isles.

May 7-11: Annual Meeting and International Industry Show, Forest Products Research Society — Convention Hall, Philadelphia.

May 8-11: 83rd Annual Convention, the American Institute of Architects Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago.

May 11: Symposium on architectural acoustics at meeting of Acoustical Society of America; sponsored jointly by Society and the American Institute of Architects — Washington, D. C.

May 17-19: Great Lakes District meeting, American Institute of Electrical Engineers - Madison, Wis.

May 20-24: Annual Convention, National Association of Building Owners and Managers — Rice Hotel, Houston, Tex.

May 28-June 4: 1951 Canadian International Trade Fair — Exhibition Grounds, Toronto.

May 30-June 2: British Architects Conference — Belfast, Ireland.

May 30-Sept. 9: World Transportation Fair - Santa Anita Park, Calif.

June 18-22: Annual Meeting, American Society for Testing Materials -Chalfonte-Haddon Hall, Atlantic City.

June 21-23: Second Annual Convention, New Jersey Chapter, American Institute of Architects, and New Jersey Society of Architects - Berkeley-Carteret Hotel, Asbury Park, N. J.

June 25-29: Summer General Meeting, American Institute of Electrical Engineers - Royal York Hotel, Toronto.

July 1-Sept. 1: Fountainebleau Schools of Fine Arts and Music. Details available from: Fountainebleau Association, 122 E. 58th St., New York, N. Y.

July 21-Aug. 4: Oxford Summer School on Architectural History and Measured Drawing, held in connection with the Festival of Britain. Details available from J. Brosgall, Shire Hall, Reading, England.

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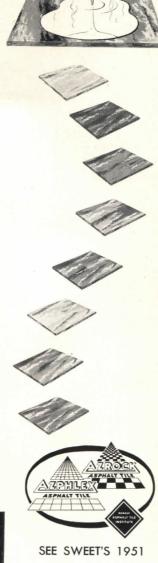
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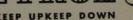
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OFFICE NOTES

Offices Opened

• Ben H. Dyer, A.I.A., has opened a new office for architectural specifications at 8605 Garfield St., Bethesda, Md. The new office will prepare specifications for architects on a professional basis and will consult with manufacturers and trade associations concerning preparation of published specifications and technical data for products they manufacture. Mr. Dyer was formerly an associate member of the firm of Faulkner, Kingsbury and Stenhouse, Architects, and is author of specification work sheets published by the American Institute of Architects.

• J. M. Huddleston has announced the opening of his office for the practice of

architecture at 1550 Elizabeth St., Shreveport, La.

New Firms, Firm Changes

- · Harrison, Ballard & Allen have announced the retirement of Allan L. Harrison from active participation in the firm, which will continue under the same name at its present location, 123 E. 77th St., New York 21, N. Y. The firm has also announced that James H. Hansen has joined the firm as construction engineer. Mr. Hansen was formerly assistant director, Conservation Division, War Production Board, and managing engineer, Brick Manufacturers' Association, New York.
- Walter Scott Roberts and Clifton J. Marshall have announced the formation of an association for the general practice of architecture to be known as Roberts and Marshall, Associated Architects. The new firm will have offices at 115 E. Fourth St., Owensboro, Ky.



- John Leon Rex of Los Angeles has been elected president of the California Council of Architects, the central organization of the nine chapters of the American Institute of Architects in the state. Other new officers are: William Koblik, Sacramento — vice president; Maurice Metz, Fresno — secretary-treasurer. Mr. Rex succeeds Frank V. Mayo of Stockton.
- · John Alfred Wahl, A.I.A., has joined Starrett and Van Vleck and Reginald E. Marsh, associate architects on the Triborough Houses, a 1900-unit low rent housing project for the New York City Housing Authority, as project manager. Mr. Wahl was formerly office manager for Kelly & Gruzen, architects and engineers, of New York.
- George M. Hunt, director of the U. S. Forest Products Laboratory at Madison, Wis., since March 1, 1946, has been succeeded by Dr. J. Alfred Hall, whose appointment was effective April 1. Mr. Hunt retired March 31 after 40 years in federal service. Doctor Hall has been director of the Pacific Northwest Forest and Range Experiment Station of the Forest Service in Portland, Ore.

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• Sir Gerald Kelly, president of the Royal Academy of London, and Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, a past president of the Royal Institute of British Architects, have been made honorary corresponding members of the National Academy of Design.

 Erik Nitsche has been appointed by the Museum of Modern Art, New York City, as a consultant for a study of design as applied to its own institutional needs. Mr. Nitsche will make a survey of the Museum's bulletin boards, announcements, posters, etc., in its public places, with a view to bringing these displays fully in line with the architecture of the building. He will also correlate the Museum's letterheads, circulars and other printed material in layout and typography.

Mr. Nitsche, who won the Art Director's Gold Medal in 1949, has done covers and illustrations for many magazines and is also known for his posters, book illustrations and package displays. He did the designs and posters for the 20th Century Fox films "All About Eve," "No Way Out" and "Of Men and Music."

- Carl N. Lohrey has been named general manager of the Dayton branch of the Lieb-Jackson Company, mechanical engineers, of Dayton and Columbus, Ohio. The Dayton office is at 743 Valley St., Dayton 4, Ohio.
- The appointment of Malcolm T. McEachern, M.D., as director of professional relations of the American Hospital Association was announced at the Association's midyear conference. Doctor McEachern, who recently retired as director of the American College of Surgeons, assumed his new post March 1. He guided the hospital standardization program of the American College of Surgeons for more than 25 years.
- Paul W. Beck has been appointed librarian in the division of public and technical information of the Idaho Operations Office, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission.
- Fred J. Driscoll has been elected president of the Building Trades Employers' Association of New York City. He succeeds Hugh M. Hughes, who served for two years. Other officers named at the Association's annual meeting are: Harry J. Stellmann, first vice president; Eugene Duklauer, second vice president; Perry S. Dewey, third vice president; and J. George Costello, treasurer.



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Awards

• Richard E. Baringer of Elkhart, Ind., a student in the Harvard University Graduate School of Design, has been awarded a fellowship in architecture by the American Academy in Rome. The total value of the award is approximately \$3000, including stipend, travel allowances and free residence at the Academy.

The award to Mr. Baringer was one of ten Rome Prize Fellowships which were announced last month by James

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Kellum Smith, President of the American Academy in Rome. The Academy was founded in 1894 to further the fine arts and classical studies in the United States, principally through granting fellowships to outstanding young American artists and scholars for independent work.

Applications for fellowships for 1952–53 are due at the Academy's New York office, 101 Park Ave., Jan. 1, 1952.

• Alan M. McHenry, 20, of Wichita, Kas., a student at the University of Illinois, won first prize in a national competition in swimming pool design sponsored by the Tile Council of America in cooperation with the Beaux-Arts Institute of Design.

Don B. Wines, Oklahoma A. & M. student, won second place in the competition, which drew 86 entries from architectural students over the U. S.

Scholarships, Fellowships

• The College of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan, has announced that the George G. Booth Traveling Fellowship in Architecture will be offered again this year. There will be no formal competition in design, but application forms will be issued on request. They must be returned not later than May 15. Candidates must be graduates of the College of Architecture and Design of the University of Michigan who have not reached their 30th birthday on May 15. Prospective candidates should write at once to the office of the College of Architecture and Design, 207 Architecture Building, Ann Arbor, Mich.

• Applications must be made by May 15 for the research fellowship in civic design which is offered for 1951–52 in the Department of Architecture at Yale University.

The fellowship, in the amount of \$1500 (including tuition fees), is offered to graduates of the Department of Architecture at Yale or to graduates of other institutions of similar educational standing to encourage research in the Department's new program in civic design.

The projects undertaken by the recipient may form part of the requirements for the degree of Master of City Planning, a program normally of two years' duration. The holder of the fellowship will be expected to undertake research in three-dimensional or other aspects of civic design and to assist in guiding projects by other graduate students in the Department. In addition to a high academic standing, applicants will be required to show proficiency in design and possess an aptitude for city planning studies.

Requests for information and necessary application blanks should be sent to: Christopher Tunnard, Associate Professor of City Planning, Department of Architecture, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

• April 15th is the deadline for applications for both the F. W. Chandler Fellowship in City Planning and other scholarships covering all or part tuition in the graduate course in city planning at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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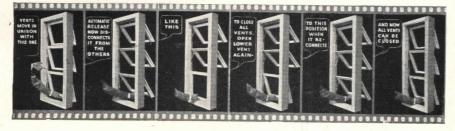
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Further information may be obtained from Prof. Frederick J. Adams, Department of City and Regional Planning, Room 7–333, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.

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AWARDS

• Three architects were named by the San Francisco Art Commission when it announced four Awards of Honor and five Awards of Merit to individuals and groups in the city for their accomplishments in several artistic and professional fields.

The Awards of Honor were given to Architects William W. Wurster and Gardner A. Dailey and (posthumously) to Architect Timothy Pflueger for "long and distinguished service to the community."

The Awards of Merit were earned for "distinguished accomplishment" at the recent city-sponsored Art Festival in the Palace of Fine Arts.

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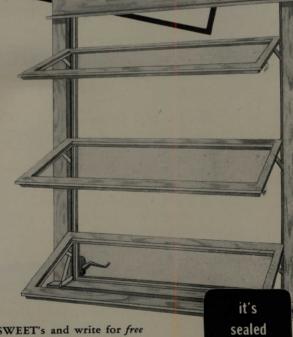
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Dec. 1950, page 176) for the Crane Company of Chicago. Philip Johnson, chairman of the awards jury and director of the department of architecture and design for the Museum of Modern Art, presented the award. Mr. Johnson said the new lavatory represents "the first radical change in bathroom fixture design in almost 50 years."

The jury for this award, in addition to Mr. Johnson, included Edgar Kaufman Jr., director of Good Design for the Museum of Modern Art; Mary Roche, writer; John Peter, editorial consultant in the field of architecture; and Harold Sleeper, president of the Architectural League, as an ex-officio member. Mr. Sleeper remarked that this year's award marked the first time the top prize has been given for a built-in item.

This award, instituted in 1921, is selected annually from the League's Gold Medal Exhibition, at which are shown outstanding accomplishments in architecture, industrial products for architecture, landscape architecture, mural painting and sculpture.

• Several awards were announced by the American Concrete Institute at its 47th annual convention in San Francisco.

Charles S. Whitney of Ammann and Whitney, consulting engineers of Milwaukee and New York, received the Alfred E. Lindau Award "in recognition of his many contributions to reinforced concrete design practice." The award is given only for outstanding contributions to reinforced concrete design practice and is not mandatory each year.

W. S. Colby, structural engineer, of Stone and Webster Engineering Corp., Boston, Mass., received the American Concrete Institute Construction Practice Award for his paper "Design and Construction of a Circulating Water Intake," published in the A.C.I. Journal, March 1950.

J. R. Leslie and W. J. Cheesman, research engineer and assistant research engineer respectively, Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, Toronto, Ont., received the Wason Medal for "noteworthy research" reported in "An Ultrasonic Method of Studying Deterioration and Cracking in Concrete Structures" in the September 1949 A.C.I. Journal.

"Specifications Should Be Realistic," a paper which appeared in the September 1949 A.C.I. *Journal*, won the Wason Medal for "the most meritorious paper" of the volume year for Harry F. Thomson, manager, Redi-Mix Concrete Division, Material Service Corp., Chicago. This award is chosen from material published in the latest volume of *Proceedings* of the A.C.I.

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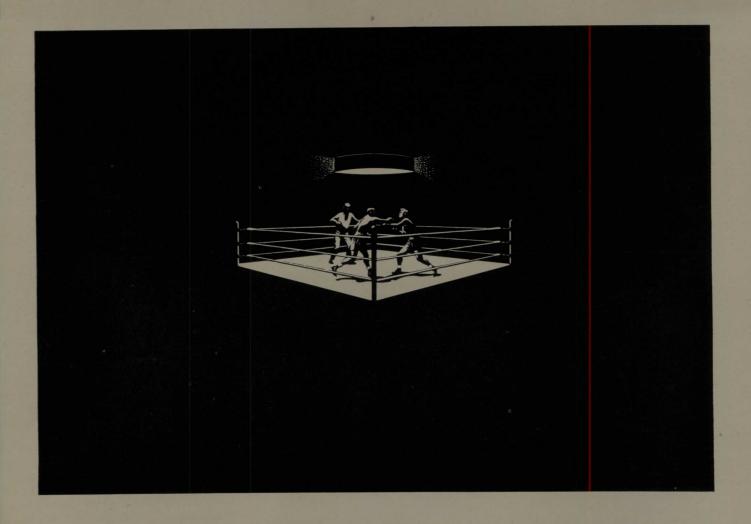
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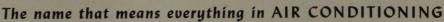




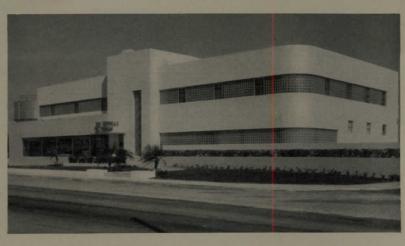
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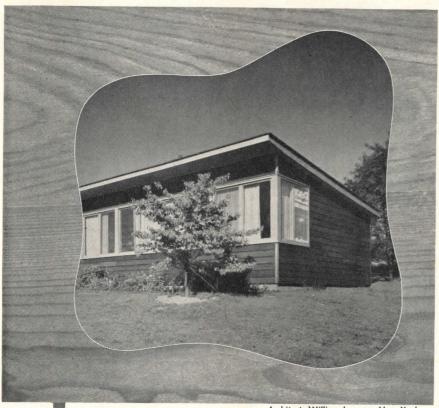
· C. P. Hayes and H. R. Gould of the General Electric Company have won first prize in a competition sponsored by the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. Their winning paper, "Noise Evaluation of Fluorescent Lamp Ballasts," will be published in digest form in the Institute's magazine, Electrical Engineering.

• Winners in the first annual national carpet design competition sponsored by the Arthur Fleischman Company of Detroit and the Detroit Institute of Arts were selected from more than 1200 entries representing all of the 48 states. Students walked off with top honors: first place and \$1000 award - LeRoy Wolfe, Chicago Art Institute; second

place and \$500 award - Nancy Carlson, Moore Institute of Art and Design, Philadelphia; third place and \$300 award — Sister Mary Remy, S.S.N.D., Chicago Art Institute.

The jury included Dr. Edgar P. Richardson, director of the Detroit Institute of Arts; Wayne L. Claxton, Wayne University art chairman; Peter Belawick, Bigelow Sanford Carpet Company; Edith B. Crumb, home furnishings writer, Detroit News; Talmage C. Hughes, executive secretary of Michigan Society of Architects; James W. Underwood, Alexander Smith & Sons Carpet Company; Adele Coulin Weibel, curator emeritus of textiles, Detroit Institute of Arts; and William E. Woolfenden, director of education department, Detroit Institute of Arts.

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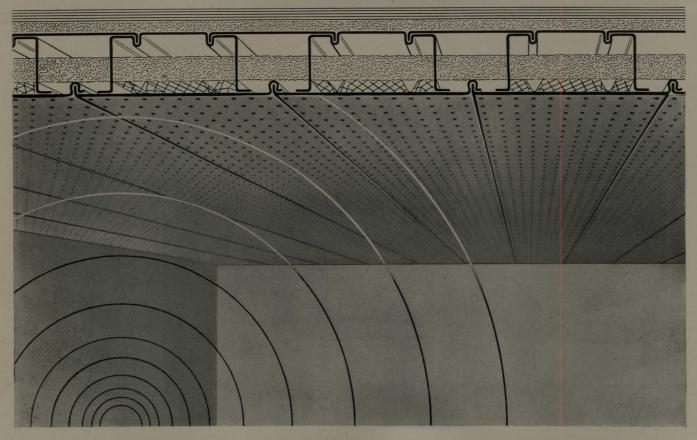
Formal presentation was made at a chapter dinner followed by a dance. Officials and members of the Associated General Contractors participated.

These awards reflect the feeling of the architects that some recognition should be given to those men of the building trades who have done an exceptional job as an encouragement of better craftsmanship in all the trades of the construction industry. The awards are given annually.

President L. D. Schmidt of the chapter made the presentation after a speech in which he emphasized the importance of teamwork in the erection of a build-

"The architect sometimes forgets that he is a dependent creator," he said. "He is not like the artist who paints the landscape and who is an independent creator. The finished building reflects the architect's imagination and conception, but it takes a great deal more than dreams and plans to produce a building. It takes a team. On practically all projects, it takes good assistants for the

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John C. Stahl, for nearly half a century a practicing architect in Detroit, died January 29 in Detroit of injuries received a few days earlier when he was struck by an automobile.

Mr. Stahl, a charter member of the Michigan Society of Architects and its president in 1926 and 1927, had belonged to the American Institute of Architects and its Detroit Chapter since 1916.

Mr. Stahl was born in Detroit July 14, 1876 and received his education in the public schools, under Louis Kampner and Zach Rice and through extension courses in architecture and engineering. He became registered to practice in Michigan in 1915.

ALBERT CODDINGTON DIES; ENGINEER FOR 40 YEARS

Albert A. Coddington, consulting engineer, died February 7 of a heart attack in his home at Ross, Calif. He was 62 years old.

Mr. Coddington will be remembered by innumerable young architects for the series of seminars in heating and plumbing and electrical engineering which he conducted at his own expense. The seminars had been scheduled twice yearly for the past 21 years, in the weeks preceding state architectural examinations. Attendance ranged from 20 to as high as 40.

Mr. Coddington began his engineering career as a draftsman in San Francisco in 1911 after graduating from Stanford University. He established the Coddington Company in 1916. Its jobs include many landmarks in the Bay City, among them the Southern Pacific office building, the Matson building and the main offices of the Bank of America.



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Other points, some of them surprising from an air raid precaution standpoint, were made by Mr. Fancott. For instance, it is obvious that basements of poured concrete are more substantial than those of concrete block. But it is far less apparent that wood frame walls are to be preferred to masonry walls, providing they contain fire stops (usually included as part of the framing) and are securely anchored to the foundation. Likewise that oil firing presents less difficulty than coal firing.

It should be possible to cut off essential services at a moment's notice, and basements must be well drained. During World War II, many people were drowned in the very shelters in which they considered themselves safest.

Loan Suspension Hit

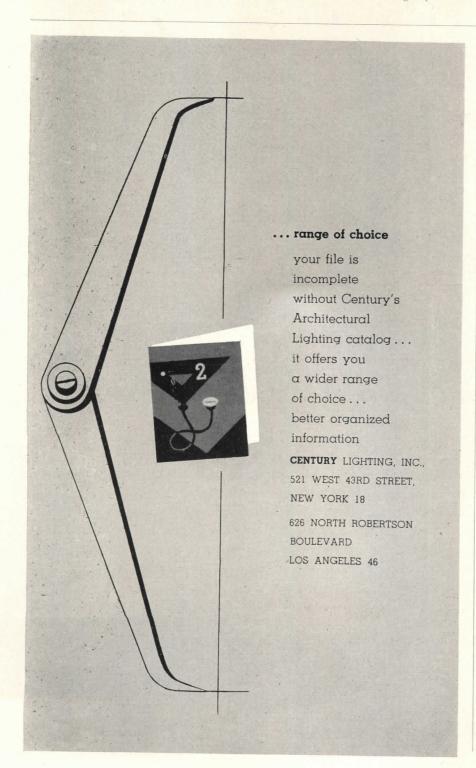
Suspension of the one-sixth extra loan, formerly available under the National Housing Act in addition to a first mortgage, has the effect of raising down payments about \$1000 on fiveroom houses, and \$1500 on six-room ones

Canada's home builders agree that some curtailment of mortgage credit is necessary because of inflationary pressures and tightening supply lines. But, they claim, the order suspending second mortgage loans should not have been a blanket one. Certain key defense areas should have been exempted.

Explanation of their point of view is found in the annual address of F. A. Mager, Winnipeg, N.H.B.A. president. He declares that we need, and will continue to need, a great many more houses. "All we did during the postwar period was build at the same rate that new families were being formed. The backlog created during the years of depression and war wasn't touched.

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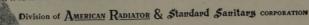
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zenship, then we should not act to prevent the defense family with modest means from owning the house it occupies.

"The fact to be faced is that workers must be accommodated. If it's made impossible for them to buy houses, then the government will have to provide other shelter for them. How can this check inflation or improve the supply situation? And how can a public agency,

with its heavy administrative overhead, produce new housing as economically as private home builders whose lives have been spent acquiring the necessary know-how?"

January 1951 Building Is Triple First Month of '50

Building contracts worth \$159.1 million were awarded in January of this year — nearly tripling the \$56.7 million recorded for the same month in 1950. Industrial building showed a 2000 per cent rise over January 1950. The only decrease was recorded in the residential classification.

Figures on contracts awarded, as reported by MacLean Building Reports Ltd., follow: residential—\$16 million; commercial and institutional—\$38.1 million (up 50 per cent); industrial—\$66.8 (up 2000 per cent); engineering—\$38.2 (up 180 per cent).

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Quebec Architects Hear Talk by Harry M. Prince

Highlight of the 60th annual meeting of the Province of Quebec Association of Architects, recently held in Montreal, was an address by Harry M. Prince, president of the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects and chairman of the subcommittee on

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civilian defence of the National Defense Committee of the A.I.A.

Speaking on the subject of housing, Mr. Prince blamed private enterprise for "a complete absence of soundly planned and integrated communities." However, there was an opportunity for it to redeem itself in view of the growing realization that public housing alone cannot possibly reaccommodate all peo-

ple now living in dilapidated dwellings without modern conveniences.

Large-scale housing must be integrated into a studied site plan that will serve overall community facilities, trends and needs, he said. "I am against developments planned solely on the basis of speculative intense land coverage, 'shoddy-gerry' construction, poor workmanship and a total disregard of amenities of community living."

Public agencies and private capital realize, Mr. Prince declared, that slums cost the taxpayers millions of dollars for police, fire and health protection. Discussing wartime housing, and the experiences of England in World War II, the speaker said that following makeshift procedures to take care of the situation, the government permitted a new policy allowing new housing in industrial areas. Housing standards were adopted to meet the needs of various classes of labor.

The experiences of England," said Mr. Prince, who was on a commission visiting that country during the blitz, "should teach us that a war or threat of war presents many problems in housing. Curtailment of standard materials is a challenge to architects in the planning and designing of housing projects. A fascinating aspect of wartime housing is in its design for wartime needs, including the use of materials at hand, and provision for special protective precautions so that the ultimate purpose will be for peacetime living and reduction of housing shortage that always follows war.

"If we are to build the type of housing to prepare for war, to take care of rapid plant expansion, and as a protection against air attacks, particularly in cities which have a slum problem, let us keep before us as architects, that properly planned now, this emergency housing will blossom into a community consistent with our present-day standards of living."

The Association's gold medal of merit, awarded to members who have rendered valuable service to the profession, was presented to two former P.Q.A.A. presidents: A. J. C. Paine, Montreal, and Louis N. Audet, Sherbrooke.

H. Ross Wiggs of Montreal is the new president of the Association. Other officers are: Emile Venne, first vice president; John Bland, second vice president; Maurice Payette, honorary-treasurer; Henri Mercier, honorary-secretary; P. C. Amos, retiring president.

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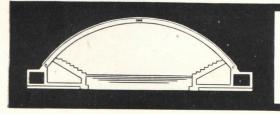
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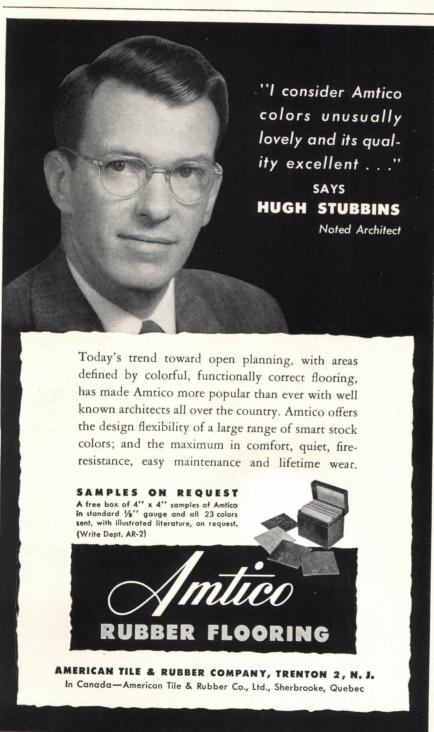
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Canadian Housing Production Equals U. S. Per Capita Rate

How does Canada's house production compare with that of other countries? This question was answered by Hon. R. H. Winters, Minister of Resources and Development, when he addressed delegates to the National House Builders Association convention in Montreal.

"Since 1945," he said, "you and your associates have erected nearly 400,000 units. In 1946, the number of housing units completed totaled 67,194. In 1947, the number rose to 79,231 and climbed again in 1948 to a record 81,243. Even this achievement was surpassed in 1949 when a high of 90,955 was reached. Never before has the volume of building been so great as during the last five years."

Per capita-wise, Canada has been building at the rate of 32 units per 1000 population. This about equals the rate prevailing in the U. S. last year and exceeds that of Australia and the United Kingdom, whose rates of building are 31 and 24 units per 1000 population respectively.

The Minister pointed out that the U. S. experienced a marked expansion of housebuilding activity in 1950. Nonfarm starts increased by 54 per cent in the first seven months of the year; but such a large program appeared inconsistent with expanded defense efforts, and in October, under the authority of the Defense Production Act, the amount of real estate credit was reduced and terms were stiffened. The resulting cutback in the housing program has been estimated by various authorities between one third and one half.

"Early in 1950," Mr. Winters commented, "the annual target for new housing in Great Britain was restored (Continued on page 276)

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to a rate of 200,000 dwellings from the previous program of 185,000, which had been stipulated in the capital cuts of late 1949. It will be remembered that the population of Great Britain is more than three times greater than Canada's. In Australia, a heavy program of industrial construction and strong domestic demand augmented by large immigration have produced an inflationary situation which is aggravated by short-

ages of key materials, notably steel and coal. In New Zealand, dwellings started in the first half of 1950 were slightly down from the corresponding period of 1949.

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Buffalo Architect Addresses Meeting of Toronto Builders

How can individuality be obtained for mass-produced housing?

One way is to get architects and builders to work in closer cooperation, said John N. Highland Jr., Buffalo architect, addressing a recent meeting of the Toronto Metropolitan Home Builders' Association. Members of the Society of Residential Appraisers and the Ontario Association of Architects were at the meeting.

Mr. Highland is acting chairman of the American Institute of Architects Committee for Collaboration with the National Association of Home Builders.

He pointed out that today the man who calls the tune in building is the man with the down payment. Therefore, the importance of good design, to please the customer as well as make the most economical use of available materials, is more apparent than it has been at any previous time.

Mr. Highland said that the best service an architect can offer a builder is that in which he participates in the entire development of a project. This includes not merely the design of houses, but market analysis, land planning, structural engineering, color styling, sales psychology and mortgage financing. Builders with a sufficiently large volume of production could, working with their architects, help promote construction code revision, adoption of modular standards, and better design of such stock house parts as doors, windows, and millwork.

Climbing U. S. Demand Spurs Increases in Lumber Prices

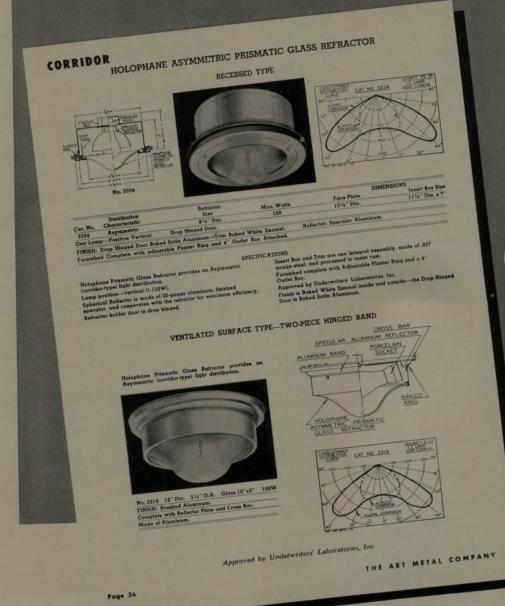
Increased U. S. demand was largely responsible for the 20 per cent rise in the lumber index during the first 10 months of 1950, according to *Housing in Canada*, a quarterly publication of Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation. At the same time, shortage of lumber caused fewer houses to be completed.

Wood, of course, was not the only residential building material to go up in price. Increases ranged from 11 per cent in the case of bricks, six per cent for plumbing and heating equipment, four per cent for cement, two per cent for paint and lath, plaster and insulating products. Overall boost in material prices was 15 per cent, while wage rates mounted four per cent.

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Defense Program Can Bolster Better Housing, Says Faludi

Canada's defense program presents a unique chance to produce a better residential environment - a chance that may not occur again in this generation.

So says Dr. E. G. Faludi, one of the country's top-flight community planners. He hails as "logical and farsighted" a recent statement by Hon. R. H. Winters that any defense housing projects undertaken at this time will consist of permanent-type dwellings.

The Minister of Resources and Development made it clear that the last thing the government wants is to resume its World War II role as landlord. But, he added, it may have to do so if sufficient housing is not forthcoming from private sources. Both federal and provincial authorities have been giving attention to the shelter problem created by the nation's mushrooming preparedness program. The Minister referred particularly to Malton, Ont., where the staff of A. V. Roe Canada Ltd. will be doubled following addition of 100,000 sq ft of space for the manufacture of jet engines. Another area of activity is Atikokan, where accommodation must be provided for workers on the development of Steep Rock.

Queried with regard to the Minister's statement, Toronto officials of Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation declined to comment. However, builders, architects and planners are actively speculating on the implications of the Minister's remarks.

As manager of Town Planning Consultants Ltd., Doctor Faludi played an active part in solving many of the growth problems of the Greater Toronto area. He points out that industrial and residential planning should proceed on a regional rather than local basis.

Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton Gets Engineers' Gold Medal Award

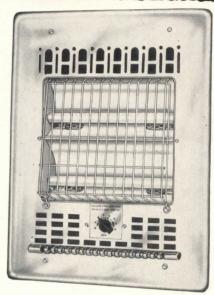
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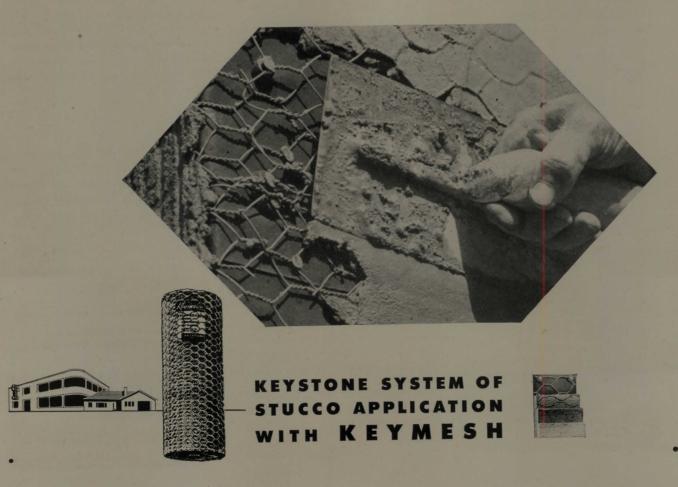
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Test Hut Program Rolling, Research Officials Reveal

Progress can be reported on the test hut program undertaken by the Division of Building Research of the National Research Council. Idea is to discover what happens to walls when moisture and heat flow take place.

Special laboratory facilities at the Division's regional station at Saskatoon have been provided for the testing of large complete wall sections. "But," says Director Robert F. Legget, "while such laboratory studies are of great use in building research, outside test facilities must also be developed in order to give new materials and methods of construction a trial under actual atmospheric conditions."

Accordingly, a number of test huts — real, scaled-down buildings — have been constructed at Ottawa and Saskatoon. One has also been erected at Churchill. It is the same as an identical hut built at each of the other two centers. This repetition is for control purposes, to permit correlation of the results.

The huts are four ft sq and about eight ft high. They have flat roofs, and walls of varied construction. Those at Ottawa include the control hut, of standard frame construction, and two huts of foamed slag concrete, one especially insulated at the corners. The remainder are of brick, both solid and cavity wall. Two of the solid brick huts are insulated with two in. of mineral wool, but differ in that one has its inside face backplastered and covered with asphalted felt. The other has not received this treatment.

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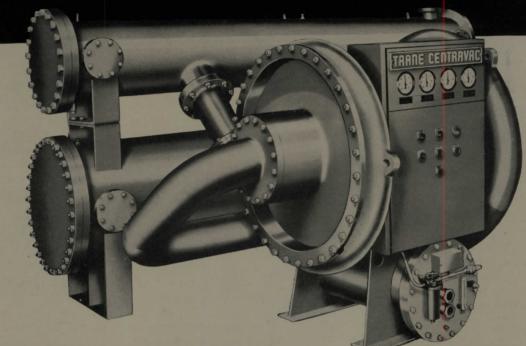
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Mr. Legget points out that complete meteorological records are being taken in conjunction with each test hut installation, since outside research work and investigations in actual buildings must be interpreted in terms of local climatic conditions.

Results will be announced sometime this summer.

Radioactivity Used to Find Moisture Content of Earth

Use of radioactivity to find the earth's moisture content without disturbing it was described at the fourth annual Canadian Soil Mechanics Conference held recently at Ottawa under the auspices of the Associate Committee of Soil & Snow Mechanics, National Research Council.

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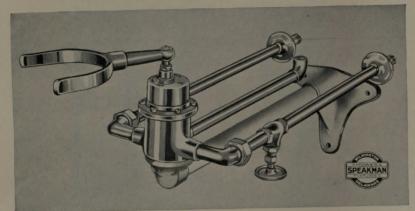
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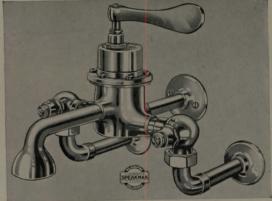
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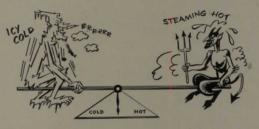
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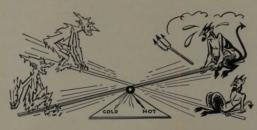
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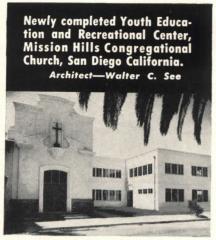


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ously required to bring the military establishment up to full postwar normal strength is expected to cost 50 to 55 billions of dollars annually. It has been estimated that in 1952 this program will mean diverting 18 per cent of the economy to military needs; but the expansion of production facilities so urgently encouraged by defense officials and the anticipated leveling off of military expenditures could mean, Mr. Holden believes, that by 1955 the military requirement will be satisfied with 10 per cent of the gross national product.

Working from the assumption that all-out war is not likely at an early date, Mr. Holden offers some conclusions about the effect of the present defense program on the construction industry. They are:

- 1. That construction will likely continue at relatively high levels during the period of defense mobilization.
- 2. That any cutbacks in overall construction volume that may take place during the transition period are apt to be moderate, perhaps approximating the amount of cutbacks that might have come as a normal market reaction from the 1950 boom.
- 3. That defense requirements will be largely met by increased production of basic materials.
- 4. That any cutbacks in civilian production or civilian construction during the transition period will have as a principal purpose shaping of the country's expansion in such a way as to provide adequately for the normal postwar defense program.
- 5. That once the transition to normal postwar defense has been accomplished, limitation orders and controls can be greatly relaxed, if not eliminated.
- 6. That expansion of the American economy will of necessity require construction in great volume and in wide variety of structural types.

Mr. Holden rests this appraisal on two basic facts:

- 1. Production requirements of the present mobilization are obviously much less than those which were successfully met in World War II.
- 2. The country has, to meet these smaller requirements, a considerably larger productive capacity than it had during World War II and its productive

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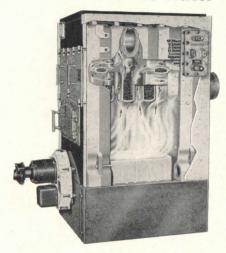
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capacity can and will be further expanded.

The increase in total productive capacity between 1940 and 1950 is estimated at 50 per cent, and actual production in the durable goods industries (source of construction materials and equipment and of the bulk of munitions output) increased by 80 per cent. As for the future, Mr. Holden points out:

"The present policy of military and defense mobilization leaders strongly favors increasing productive facilities over stockpiling unnecessarily large quantities of military end-products which could become obsolete before they could be fully used. There is recognition that all-out war production in absence of certain need or in advance of such need could be extremely wasteful, could unduly burden the civilian economy and could actually work to the great advantage of a potential enemy."

Achievement by 1955 of a gross national product of \$350 billions (in terms of 1950 prices), the goal estimated as desirable by the President's Council of Economic Advisers, is regarded by Mr. Holden as "an attainable goal, which could even be exceeded," though he makes no absolute prediction.

Mr. Holden expresses confidence that expansion will proceed as fast as availability and fair allocation of indispensable raw materials will permit.

On the subject of materials supply, Mr. Holden summarizes in a series of appendices to his analysis some pertinent factors affecting the supply of steel, copper, zinc, aluminum and cement, a list selected as indicating a typical range of raw materials indispensable to any large and varied construction program.

Plans for substantial increases in output of steel and aluminum are cited as encouraging factors for the civilian supply outlook, and Mr. Holden notes the February 23 statement of Defense Mobilization Chief Charles E. Wilson that in 1953 there will be more steel and more aluminum available for civilian use than before Korea.

"Quite hopeful factors" in the copper situation are seen by Mr. Holden, although he points out that there has not yet been any announcement of so clearly defined an expansion program as the steel industry has developed. Working out satisfactory business arrangements

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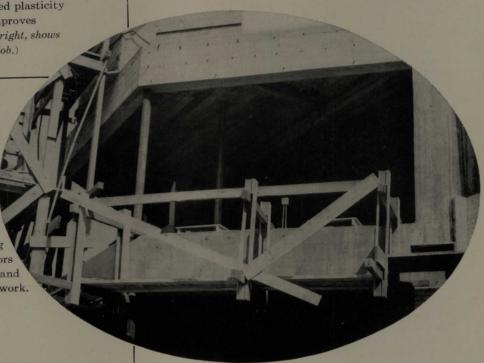


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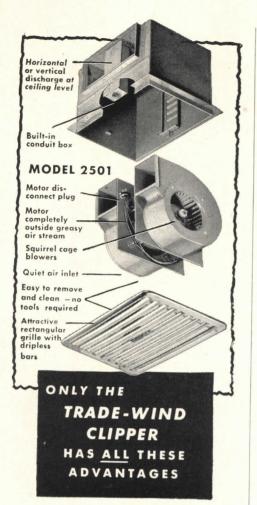
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with foreign producers might be an even more important factor in increasing supplies than expanding domestic production, he says.

Zinc production in 1950 amounted to 870,000 tons compared with 945,000 tons in 1942 and over 990,000 in 1943. "Presumably zinc production could again be increased over the 1950 total," Mr. Holden observes.

A look at one of the important non-metallic materials may be reassuring to construction industry people, Mr. Holden suggests, even though few if any of them ever become scarce for reasons other than unusual construction demand. He quotes from *Pit and Quarry* to report that estimated capacity of the Portland cement industry increased from 254,272,376 barrels in 1948 to 272,000,000 at the end of 1950, with 288,000,000 expected by the end of 1951.

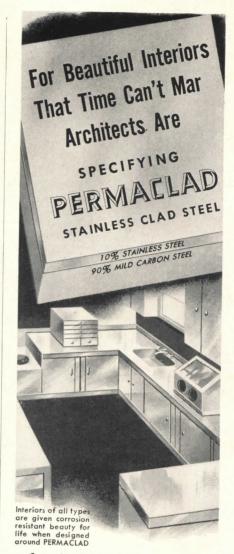
Of the material supply situation in general Mr. Holden says:

"The evidence seems to be quite convincing to the effect that it will be entirely possible to meet with reasonable speed the combined requirements of the nation's defense program and the continuation of its trend of steady improvement in living standards."

Although he recognizes that construction business in all its aspects will be complicated by government controls of various kinds during the period of adjustment to the postwar normal defense program, Mr. Holden concludes:

"If the defense program maintains its present character of insurance policy for peace, the expected squeeze on civilian construction and civilian production will prove to have been but a means of adjusting the pattern of future expansion of the American economy in a particular way. This expanding economy is being adjusted so that it can maintain a satisfactory rate of improvement in consumption standards and at the same time carry a military establishment adequate to the country's present defense requirements and world responsibilities.

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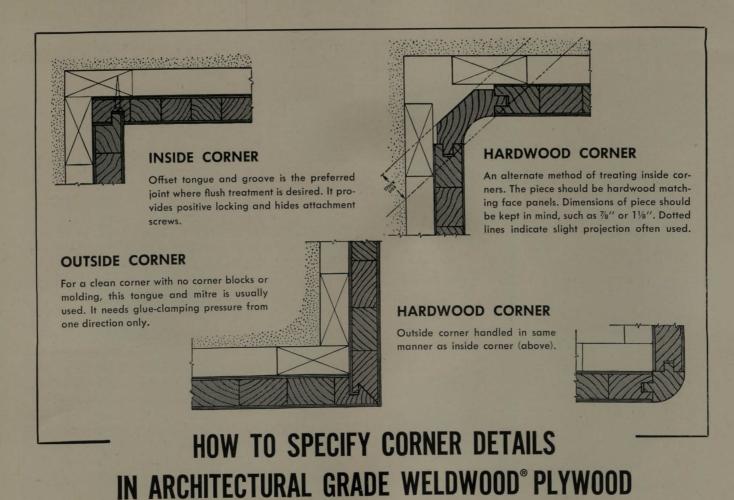
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