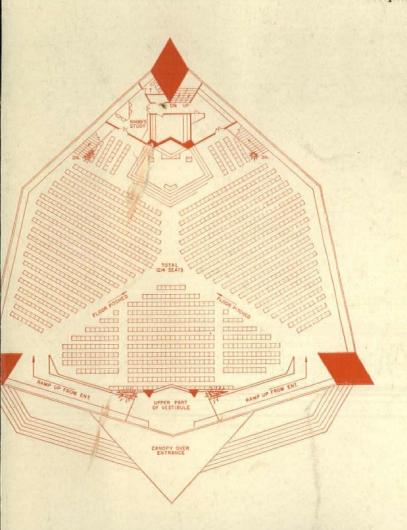
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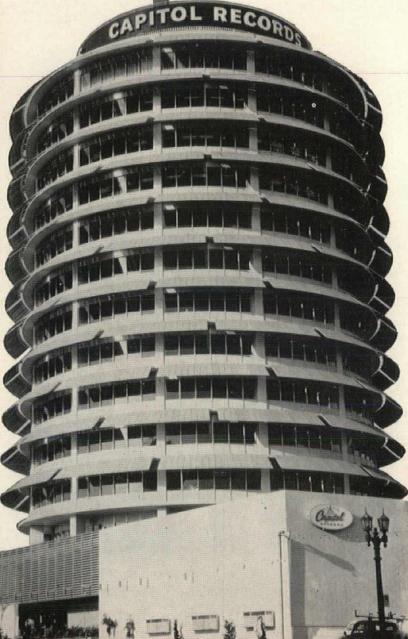
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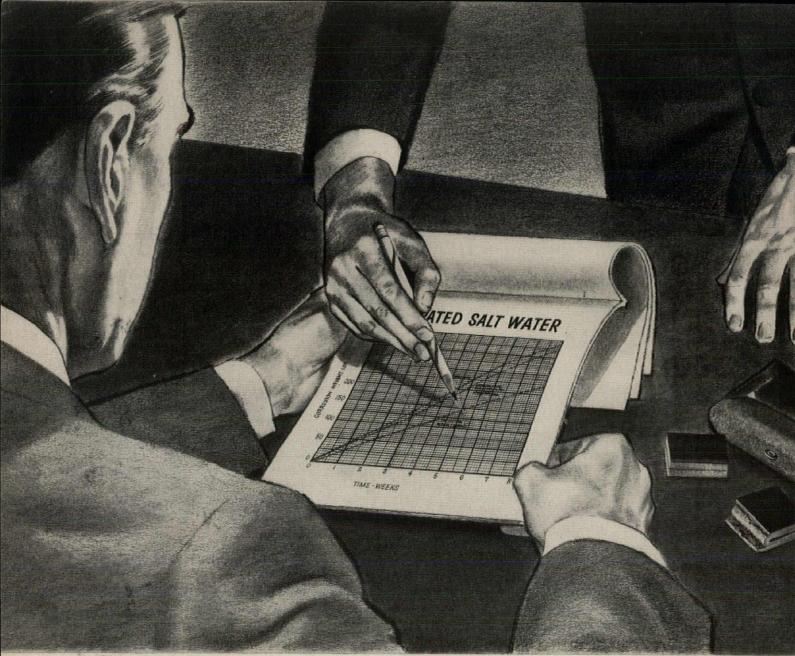
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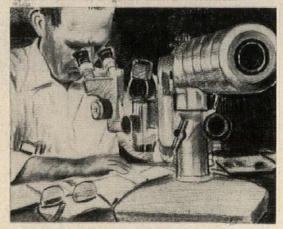
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#### WATER AND ARCHITECTURE

Through the ages water has been an important architectural element, even if in recent times architects have tended to neglect its possibilities. But as they are becoming more and more conscious of their buildings as part of a larger entity, we are beginning again to see pools and fountains. A famous author has done a major feature on water and architecture in past eras and in contemporary designs.

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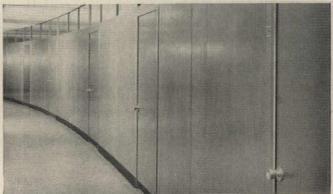


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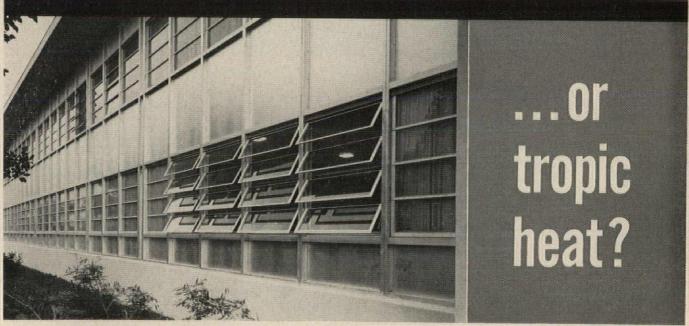


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#### American Dream at Brussels

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stunningly effective salute to America the Beautiful.

#### How Modern Is "Modern?"

Not very, asserts an editorial in a recent issue of the British weekly The Architects' Journal. "'Modern' architecture is now the accepted style, but the real meaning of functional architecture is beyond anything so ephemeral, inconsequential and transitory as a 'style.' The real spirit behind the modern movement has hardly begun to be understood." Nor will be, the Journal suggests, until architectural curricula are revised to include training in the science of management. "The schools today," as the Journal puts it, "largely teach by lectures and by setting 'design subjects.' The more senior the student the larger the building to be designed. He designs in a term what, in reality, it would be a rush to design in a year and thus enters practice with too superficial an idea of his responsibilities. But the architect's job today is not normally one of expressing his probably rather ordinary soul at the client's expense. The vast bulk of the work consists of making full use of science technical skills, labor, mechanization and materials to produce the best possible environment in which all his fellow men can live and work. The best use of resources can be achieved only when architects have the fullest possible control over them. The means of obtaining control can only properly be learnt through a sound scientific training at schools of architecture in the fundamentals of research, the design process, and of management and its corollaries, cost control and programming. The teaching of these has hardly begun anywhere, but the development of functional architecture will not progress at any speed until these subjects are commonplace at all architectural schools and therefore commonplace in practice."

#### "Surrealism" for Preservation

Extreme change of use or extreme unexpectedness in the relationship between a monument and its sur-

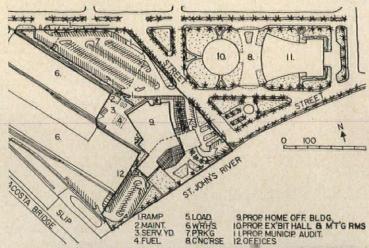
roundings may sometimes be the most effective way of handling a problem of fitting old and new together, Jan Nairn argued at a recent international congress in Milan on "present use of monuments and ancient settings." This approach of putting the familiar in an unfamiliar setting Mr. Nairn calls "urban surrealism" and he says "the more violent the change, if it is rightly used, the more real and vivid the monu-ment will become." Mr. Nairn acknowledges "respect and careful integration into the pattern" as "undoubtedly the most important means of treating the past," and suggests only that in special circumstances other possibilities ought to be considered. "In particular, if an urban planner or architect is faced with making a big alteration to the surroundings of a monument he must first clearly assess what the total effect of the change will be. If it can still be expressed in terms of the existing pattern then it is his duty to do so; but if it is clear that something quite new is going to happen he must not try to equivocate or compromise, but must acknowledge the fact and create something entirely different with the aid of this surrealist technique. Whatever happens, he must be fearless and not afraid of radical changes. Monuments are like wild animals: they thrive on being treated firmly if beneath the firmness is a basic sympathy, but they can be killed with kindness as well as with outright brutality.'

#### Frontiers

The president of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, H. Walter Graves of Philadelphia, cites five current "frontiers of opportunity": the impending (within perhaps ten years) development of the Southwest deserts through the piping of distilled sea water; the growth of ter.'

#### Buildings in the News

The V-shaped tower planned for the headquarters of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad's new headquarters in Jackson, Fla., is a solution imposed by a site limited by existing warehouses; the angling permitted the architects to fit onto the lot a building containing some 475,000 sq ft of space. The V offered two other advantages, too, say the architects: with the point of the V facing north, the problem of sun control on the outer walls was simplified; and the "panoramic" view of St. Johns River and of the city was extended. The railroad will occupy ten floors of the building; the 16th and 17th floors, set back, will house machinery, and the remainder of the building will be available for rental. Exterior construction of the building will be of precast concrete panels, finished in blue and green glass mosiac; the ends of the building will be buff limestone. Scheduled for 1960 occupancy, the building represents part of the building up of Jackson's blighted waterfront: across the river is the Prudential building, and sharing Atlantic Coast's site will be the projected City Auditorium. Architects for the new headquarters are Kemp, Bunch & Jackson



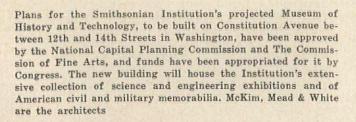


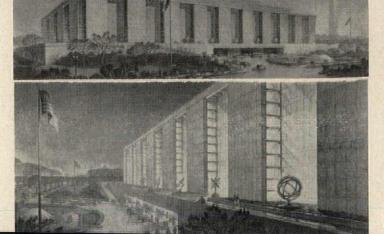


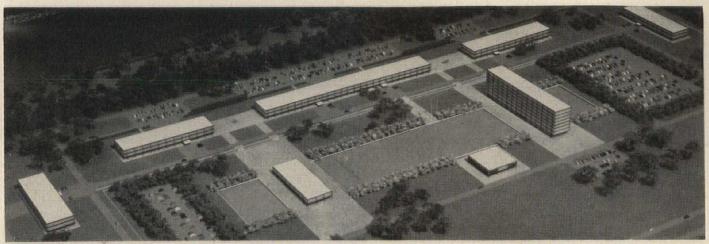


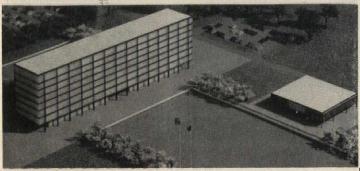
The six-story woman's hospital being built at Baton Rouge will be a load-bearing structure of precast concrete panels. To cost \$2.5 million, the building will heuse 150 beds, 60 per cent of them in single rooms, the rest in doubles; there will be no wards. The ground floor will contain receiving and office facilities, the top floor operating rooms and laboratories; the intervening floors will be devoted strictly to patients' rooms. Each room will have its own balcony, provided partly for sun control, partly for the use of convalescing patients. The designers are A. Hays Town, Architect and Hanford Yang, associate

Now under construction, the William B. Greely Memorial Laboratory is the first building to be erected by Yale University's School of Forestry in 25 years; the architect is Paul Rudolph, head of Yale's Department of Architecture. The building will contain labs for research in wood technology, forest ecology and genetics, tree physiology; the greenhouse adjacent will be used for studies in forest biology. Occupancy is scheduled for next September; construction will cost an estimated \$575,000



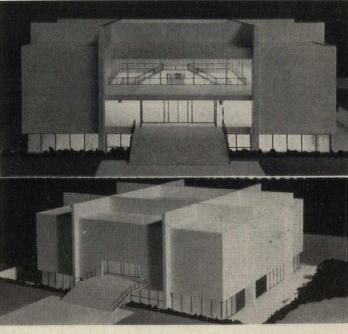






Mead Johnson Park, an industrial development planned by a manufacturer of nutritional and pharmaceutical products, will be built, over a five to 15 year period, on a master plan evolved by architects Skidmore, Owings & Merrill. The 650-acre site near Evansville, Ind., is divided by a major state highway; plans call for eight research and administration buildings on one side of the road, shopping and warehousing facilities on the other. In the initial phase, the buildings to be constructed include the seven-story headquarters, two laboratories, a cafeteria and reception building (at opposite end of reflecting pool from headquarters) and a building for employe training and development (next to office building on pool). Structure will be glass with metal frame

Philip Johnson's design for a new museum for the Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute in Utica, N. Y., involves a corridor-less interior effected by the cantilevering of the floors from eight concrete piers; the walls will be supported by these piers, and the ceiling hung from four cross-beams. The three-story building will house not only the institute's art collection, but a large music program sponsored by it; for this, the main floor is equipped with movable walls to enlarge space for anything up to a full-scale symphony performance. Construction, scheduled to get under way in April of this year, will cost an estimated \$2 million





Bethlehem Steel Company has announced its plans for a campustype research center to be built on a 1000-acre site, situated on a mountain, which offers a 50-mile view of Bethlehem and the Delaware Valley. With clearing and grading currently under way, construction is scheduled to begin the middle of this year, the first frames to be completed late this year or early in 1959. The structure will, not unnaturally, be steel frame; steel will be used also for movable partitions, but exterior facing will be granite veneer, Architects are Voorhees Walker Smith and

#### Buildings in the News

#### FLORIDA ARCHITECTS BESTOW ONE HONOR AWARD, SEVEN MERITS

















At its convention last November, the Florida Association of Architects singled out Victor Lundy's Bee Ridge Church in Sarasota (top, right) for a first honor award. Awards of merit went to (left, top to bottom) the Langford Hotel—William B. Har-

vard Jr., architect; Assembly Building, Lake Wales Lutheran Church—Gene Leedy; house for the architect's mother—Alfred B. Parker; merchant house, Craney Homes, Bartow—Gene Leedy; (right, top to bottom) Teachers Credit Union, Tampa—Robert

Wielage; Miller House, Miami Beach—Nims & Browne; McClave House, Key Biscayne—Robert B. Browne. Jury members: Wiley J. Tillman Jr. of the University of Florida, R. Buckminster Fuller, and the late John Knox Shear, editor of Architectural Record

#### An Actual Case History

"Where did the water come from?" asked the harassed owner. All winter water had been actually dripping from the rafters and roof-boards in the insulated attic of the new wing of her fine New England home. Things stored in the attic, even inside trunks, became wet and mildewed. Windows downstairs were often wet.

The wetness had persisted even during long spells of dry weather, which ruled out a leaky roof and rain as a cause.

We hunted for vapor. The floor in the crawl space underneath the wing seemed dry. The bulky insulating material, with an asphaltimpregnated paper facing the ground, which had been installed between the floor joists in the crawl space, also seemed dry. There were no leaky pipes.

The two occupants were professional people, away most of the day. Use of the laundry, kitchen, etc. was minimal. All combustion, vapor-forming appliances were properly vented.

"What should we do?" the owner asked.

#### THE SOLUTION

It was proposed that scientific multiple aluminum insulation (which is long and continuous and has almost zero vapor permeability,) be installed beneath the floor joists along the entire crawl space, and that ventilation be provided to the crawl space.

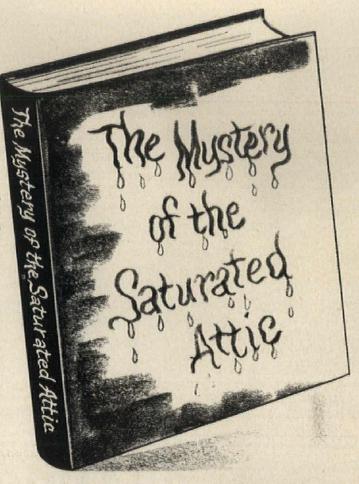
The results were magical. In a short time the attic was dry, the downstairs windows clear.

#### "WHO DUNNIT"

This indicated that the source of the trouble had been a flow of water vapor, (which is a gas) from the seemingly dry ground, through the asphalt paper and other materials between the joists to the room above, where some of it condensed on the cold window panes. Also a flow thru wall stud spaces, past the ceiling, and finally into the cold attic where it also condensed.

The ground under some buildings gives off as much as 96 lbs. of vapor a day per 1,000 sq. ft. It is invisible and harmless, until it condenses.

Two excellent publications are almost indispensable for those interested in problems of condensation and heat and vapor flow. One is an official study of the control of condensation in crawl spaces, with special reference to the effect of aluminum insulation, based on National Bureau of Standards tests. It is the National Housing Agency's "Technical Bul-



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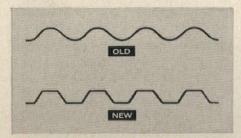
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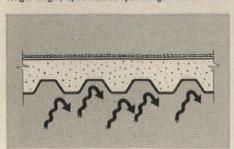
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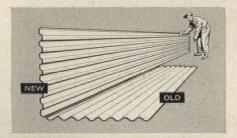
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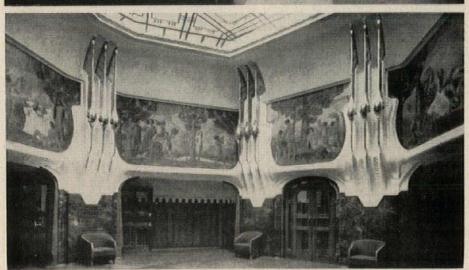
#### VAN DE VELDE: A FOUNDER OF THE MODERN MOVEMENT

Henry van de Velde, a pioneer of modern architecture, died late last year at 94. His most striking contributions to the development of 20th century architecture included his talents as a writer of esthetic polemics, and the *Kunstgewerbeschule*, which he founded, and which later became the

Bauhaus under the direction of architect Walter Gropius.

At right: van de Velde's first essay in architecture was his own house at Uccle, Belgium, built in 1895, and notable for the frank use of materials and the "empty" interiors. There is only a hint here of his later use of the curved line





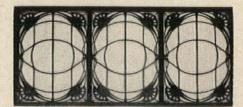




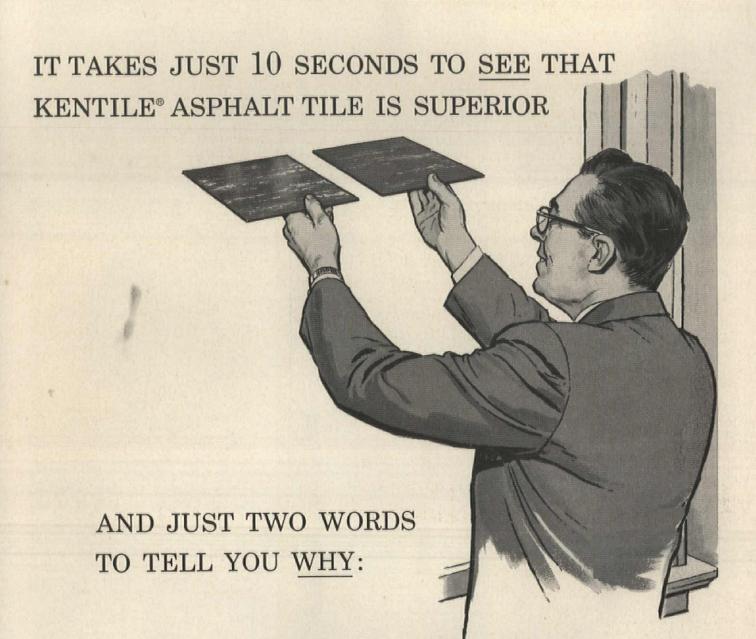


At left, top: van de Velde's design for a lounge in the New Style at the 1897 Dresden Fair set off an artistic chain reaction in Germany. Center: the museum hall at the 1906 Dresden Fair was van de Velde's last great effort in Art Nouveau. Bottom: "La Maison Nouvelle," built in 1927, was later result of van de Velde's seeking to establish an absolute relation of building to material, function and environment

Below: details from the Museum Folkwang, thought by some to be van de Velde's definitive work in Art Nouveau style; at top, a skylight in one of the exhibition rooms; below, stairs and door







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#### Reinforced Concrete Church Stands On Swedish Coast

Sweden's first reinforced concrete church was recently completed near the port city of Oxelösund, about sixty miles southwest of Stockholm. It is the Church of St. Botvid, designed by a Stockholm architect, Rolf Bergh.

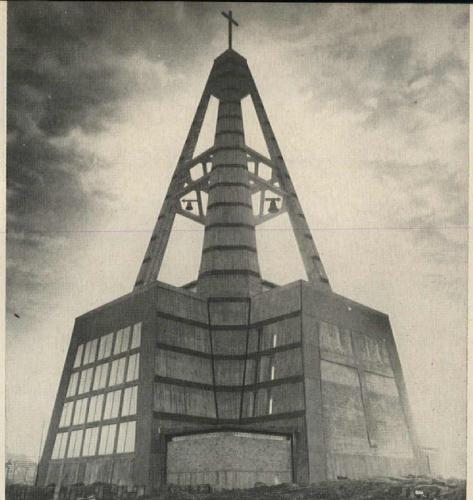
The architect was given a dramatic site: the church is on a rocky promontory jutting out into the Baltic Sea; due east across the water is Estonia. The building can be seen at a distance from both land and sea.

Mr. Bergh explains his design concept in terms of the material. "This construction," he says, "could not have been made possible in any other medium than reinforced concrete. . . . We have tried to extract from the concrete its own inherent qualities and to follow its own laws. . . . The concrete was poured in wooden forms. On the finished, hardened concrete surface, the joints between the planks, as well as the structure of the wood, with its veins and knots, are plainly visible. On the facades and on the tower supports the plank pattern shows vertically. By means of a special treatment of the mold boards before pouring the concrete, it was possible, after the concrete had set, to 'wash away' the very outermost surface, thereby showing the inner structure of the material. The big frames around the nave windows were made in this way. Here we are able to see what the concrete mass actually looks like: the reddish local sand, mixed with the cement.

"The bands that divide the church horizontally consist of black gneiss and green marble. . . . Because the outer walls of the church incline inward, it is sensitive to the dampness in the air, and this means that the concrete changes color. On a sunny day, for instance, the concrete has a shining, gray-green quality."

The tower is an independent construction from its rock foundation to its top. The walls and the visible base of the tower were poured of concrete almost 14 in. thick. The naves are 39 ft high, the tower rises 135 ft from the entrance door, and the cross is 24 ft high. The angles of the base walls and tower walls are, respectively, 12:1 and 8:1.

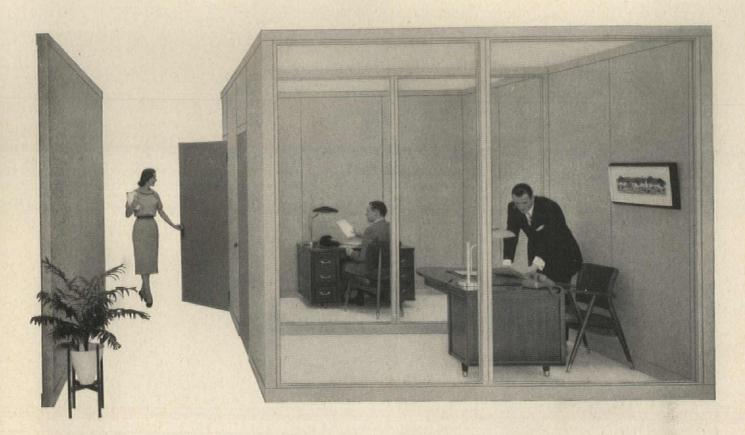
St. Botvid, patron saint of the district, was killed by a heathen slave in the twelfth century.











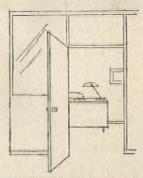
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#### Meetings and Miscellany



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#### The State of Construction

With a total figure just under \$2 billion, construction contracts in February, for the second straight month, fell 10 per cent below last year's figure for the period. The heavy engineering category was the only one in which a gain—of two per cent—was marked; residential contracts fell 17 per cent, non-residential eight per cent. For details, see page 416.

#### 20 Elevated to Fellowship

The Jury of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects has announced the election of 20 members of the Institute to Fellowship. The new fellows, who will be inducted at the A.I.A. convention in July, include: Nelson Wilmarth Aldrich, Boston-for Public Service; William Clement Ambrose, San Francisco-Service to the Institute; Herbert Lynes Beckwith, Cambridge, Mass .-Education; Marcel Lajos Breuer, New York—Design; Gordon Bunshaft, New York-Design; Robert Carson, New York-Design; Angelo Robert Clas, Washington, D. C.— Public Service; George Leighton Dahl, Dallas—Design; Donald Q. Faragher, Rochester, N. Y.—Service to the Institute; Theodore Reed Griest, Topeka-Public Service; Carl Frederic Guenther, Cleveland-Design; Louis Clifton Kingscot, Kala-William mazoo-Public Service; Leonard Pereira, Los Angeles-Design; Llewellyn William Pitts, Beaumont, Tex. - Design and Public Service: John Leon Rex, Los AngelesDesign; Malcolm Dames Reynolds, Oakland, Cal.—Service to the Institute; George Vernon Russell, Los Angeles—Design; Preston Standish Stevens, Atlanta—Design; Edward Stone, New York—Design; and George Cannon Young, Salt Lake City —Service to the Institute.

#### **Engineers Council Grows**

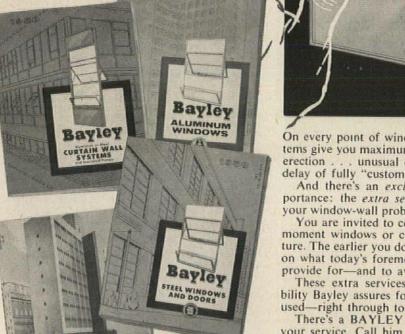
Meeting May 1-3 in San Francisco, 19 members of the Board of Directors of the Consulting Engineers Council, representing 1013 engineers, reflect a doubling of the organization's membership in less than two years-at the last meeting 10 delegates served to represent less than 500 members. The Council is a federation of 19 state and regional engineering groups, whose current program includes, according to executive secretary Larry N. Spiller, "(1) sponsoring an engineers' errors and omissions insurance program; (2) actively opposing such practices as requesting bids, 'package deals,' contractors providing engineering services, 'free engineering'; (3) completing a membership-wide study of fee and contract negotiations with various state and Federal agencies; (4) endorsing the Jenkins-Keogh bill; (5) cooperating with the Producers' Council in the preparation of a manufacturers' index of products; (6) collecting various association specifications codes, fee schedules and contract forms for use by individual members; and (7) promoting public recognition of the consulting engineer." Two of its primary efforts include an attempt to form a Joint Consulting Engineers' Council-American Institute of Architects Committee, an effort so far unsuccessful; and moves to prepare, with the A.I.A., the American Society of Civil Engineers and the National Society of Professional Engineers, a standard form of agreement between architect and engineer -this is still hanging fire. The organizations participating in the Council include the Consulting Engineers Association of California, the Chicago Association of Consulting Engineers, Cincinnati Association of Consulting Engineers, Consulting Engineers Association of Colorado, Consulting Engineers Association of Georgia, Gulf Institute of Consulting Engineers, Illinois Association of Consulting Engineers, Intermountain Institute of Consulting Engineers, Iowa Association of Consulting Engineers, Minnesota Association of Consulting Engineers, Missouri Association of Consulting Engineers, Consulting Engineers Association of New Mexico, New York Association of Consulting Engineers, North Dakota Consulting Engineers Council, Consulting Engineers Association of Oklahoma, Consulting Engineers Association of Oregon, Consulting Engineers Association of Texas, and the State of Washington Association of Consulting Engineers. Elected to serve as officers of the Council for the coming year: Charles C. Pate, Tulsa -president; L. K. Crawford, Springfield, Ill.—first vice president; Ralph M. Westcott, Los Angeles-second vice president; Hueston M. Smith, St. Louis-secretary; and B. M. Dornblatt, New Orleans—treasurer.

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or Wagner appointed as commissioners Harold R. Sleeper, F.A.I.A., (left), known for his work in the area

of specifications writing, and Max Foley, A.I.A., (right), formerly of the firm of Voorhees Walker Foley and Smith.



The Board of Standards and Appeals is the city agency which rules on the suitability of building projects in respect to zoning regulations.

#### 44th Conventiton for M.S.A.

On March 12-14, the Michigan Society of Architects held its 44th annual convention at the Hotel Statler in Detroit. With its main interest in the general area of the future, the association's two main panels covered "The Home of Tomorrow" and "The City of Tomorrow"-the moderators were Clifford N. Wright, A.I.A., and Earl G. Meyer respectively. The banquet address, "Architecture, Going and Coming," was delivered by editor Thomas Creighton of Progressive Architecture. Among the highlights of the convention: the awarding of the society's Gold Medal to Talmage C. Hughes, long-time executive secretary of M.S.A. and editor of its Monthly Bulletin.

#### **Education Notes**

Massachusetts Institute of Technology has announced the establishment of a program leading to the degree of Ph.D. in City and Regional Planning. A limited number of students will be admitted to the program in September of this year; information is available from the Head of the Depart-

For his "many contributions to the concrete masonry industry," Frank Lloyd Wright received a medal from the National Concrete Masonry Institute, Mr. Wright is seen here with his son David (at right) and William P. Markert of the association



ment of City and Regional Planning, M.I.T., Cambridge 39, Mass. . . . A one-year graduate program for the degree of Master in City Design at Miami University will be open to architecture and planning graduates; applications, due June 1, will be received by Prof. Rudolf Frankel. Department of Architecture, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. . . . Another graduate program in city and regional planning was initiated this winter by Virginia Polytechnic Institute; queries should be directed to the Professor of Planning, Department of Architecture, V.P.I., Blacksburg, Va. . . . At the School of Architecture of the University of Virginia, two curricula have been added: a four-year program awarding the degree Bachelor of Architectural History, and a five-year program giving the degree Bachelor of City Planning. Information can be obtained from Dean Thomas K. Fitz Patrick, School of Architecture, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.

#### School Needs: A Survey

That the nation lacks adequate classroom housing is a fact few deny. What school officials lack, according to the findings of a recent ARCHI-TECTURAL RECORD survey, are accurate standards to determine the exact range of the nation's classroom needs. Figures released by the U.S. Office of Education, following its 1957 Fall Survey of classroom requirements, showed a nationwide shortage of 140,400 classrooms. This estimate indicates an apparent 51 per cent cut in classroom needs during the five years since the Office's intensive 1952 study-a decline which would not seem to be explained by the reported rate of classroom construction or by school district reorganization. Prompted by the thought that part of this discrepancy might lie in the changing criteria used by the states to estimate their needs, ARCHITECTURAL RECORD conducted its own survey of the top state school officers, asking them for definitions of criteria used in reporting figures on "additional classrooms needed." On the basis of the 35 replies received, it would seem that the standards did indeed differ: to a considerable extent, interpretations of "normal capacity," "accessible" school plants in use and "unsatisfactory" facilities needing replacement were made at the local level, without the aid of standard criteria. As one state official commented, "Since data were obtained from local superintendents, it must be assumed that each used his own criteria." A second con-

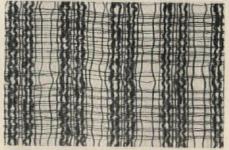


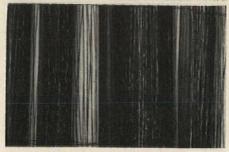


At Michigan architects' meeting, tep: on the occasion of the Building Industry Banquet, left to right—Marvin J. Brokaw, of F. W. Dodge Corporation; John N. Richards, F.A.I.A.; Frederick E. Wigen, president of M.S.A. Bottom: with model of downtown Detroit—Mr. Wigen; Charles A. Blessing, Detroit's Director of Planning; William P. Lindhout, convention chairman

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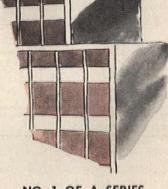
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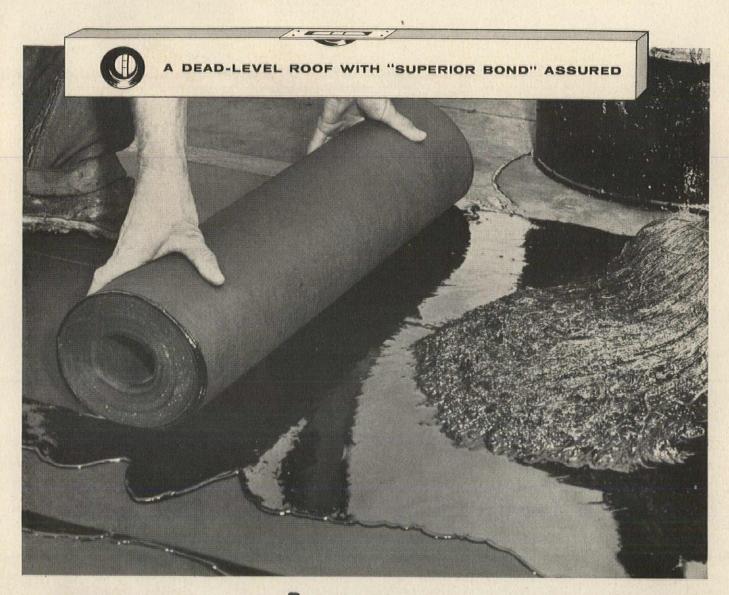


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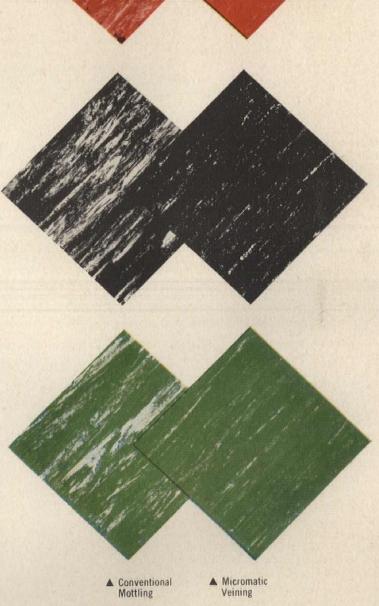
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clusion which might be drawn from the survey replies is that factors other than need have to some extent entered into the estimates. "I'd suspect," one official says, "that local versions of ability and willingness to finance played a considerable role." Another felt that the 1952 estimates were sometimes "exaggerated" by local boards "in order to get Federal help." Following is a summary of replies to specific questions asked by the RECORD: "Was there a uniform definition of 'normal capacity' for all school districts in your states?" Nineteen of the states replied "yes," that definitions had been supplied by the state board; 8 states said "no, that definitions had been determined locally; 8 states did not answer. "Was there a uniform definition of 'accessible publicly-owned school plants'?" Yes-6; no-18; no answer-11. "Was there a uniform definition of 'unsatisfactory facilities' for all school districts in your state?" Of the 15 states which answered yes to this question, seven noted that they used only the U.S. Office of Education's definition— a facility "which should be abandoned because its condition or location is such that it cannot be made satisfactory with any reasonable expenditure." Twelve states reported no definition of "unsatisfactory facilities," eight did not reply. The RECORD questionnaire also listed a number of criteria which conceivably would be used to judge "satisfactory" classrooms—size of site, classroom floor space per pupil, number of pupils per classroom, fire and structural safety, etc.—and asked the states to indicate which were used, and which of those were applied according to state standards, local standards, or primarily local judgment in determining whether or not a facility was satisfactory. Published state standards were applied in only six states. "In your opinion, were estimates of school needs in your state in any way conditioned by a realistic appraisal of ability to finance additional school plant at this time?" Yes -10; no-14; no answer-11. The real lack of reliable standards for judging the nation's classroom requirements was summed up by a Florida official: "I think [the Office of Education] is doing a very good job with the data made available to them by the states. If they asked for more detailed data I doubt that many of us would have it available to send and would resort to estimates of even more doubtful validity.'

#### Architecture for Business

"Environment for Business and Industry" was the subject of a meeting

of the Princeton University Conference held March 4-5 at Princeton under the direction of Robert W. Mc-Laughlin Jr., director of the School of Architecture. "The Princeton University Conference," which has had some notable sessions over the years, is described as "a program for the exchange of ideas . . . designed to provide wider opportunities for members of the Princeton faculty to meet with representatives of member organizations to consider questions of mutual interest. Princeton's primary objective is to improve access to basic ideas, whatever their source, and to stimulate communication between the interdependent elements of society." For this session, some 90 leading businessmen, city planners, and architects-with the businessmen heavily in the majority-were gathered, as Mr. McLaughlin said in opening the meeting, "to explore some of the important experiences of American business and industry as decisions have been made, to discuss some of the implications and ramifications of those decisions, and perhaps to arrive at an understanding of the broad business and industrial statesmanship which forms the basis of architecture in its broadest sense." Thus the assemblage heard from Frazar B. Wilde of the Connecticut General Life Insurance Company about the considerations which impelled Connecticut General to its famous

move to the country ("Today, just ten months after we moved, we can report no regrets"); from Adolph W. Schmidt of T. Mellon and Sons about the equally famous renaissance of the central city achieved by Pittsburgh; from S. Westcott Toole of the Prudential Life Insurance Company about the thinking which has led Prudential, in developing its decentralization program, to select only incity sites for its new office buildings; from Laurence C. Plowman of Textron Inc. about the problems created by such industrial shifts as the textile industry's move to the South; and through a film of industry's "move to a new frontier" in the U.S. Steel Orinoco Valley project in Venezuela. At the final session, David Scribner of Joseph P. Day Inc. discussed the importance of economic analysis as a basis for industrial site decisions; and the meeting concluded with a panel of Princeton faculty speakers—Jean Labatut, professor of architecture; Richard A. Lester, professor of economics; John F. Sly, professor of politics; and Harold Stein, visiting lecturer in public and international affairs. Throughout the sessions, the emphasis tended to be on economic and social rather than physical or psychological aspects of environment, although there was unanimous and notable recognition of the impact of environment on the labor recruitment problem.





Conference participants had a buffet lunch in the School of Architecture, where student work in city planning project was displayed. Right: Director McLaughlin as spectator





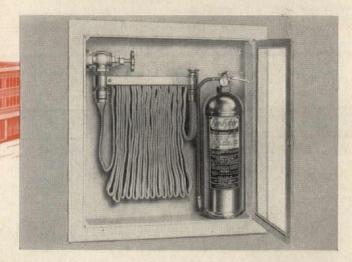
Left: Architect Robert W. Cutler of Skidmore, Owings and Merrill, moderator, and panelists S. Westcott Toole and Laurence C. Plowman listening to repartee from their audience. Right: the conferees in Woodrow Wilson Hall, setting for sessions

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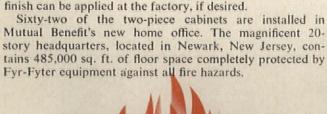
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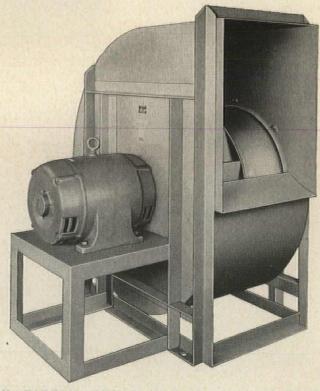
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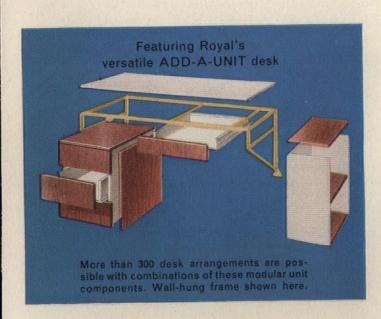






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#### HOUSING FOR THE AGED: FEDERAL AID PROGRAM MAKES PROGRESS SLOWLY

Current figures in the Federal Government's program of aids for housing the elderly do not look too imposing when viewed in the light of the 18 months of effort put into the plan, but they deceive in not representing a potential volume of contemplated projects for which applications will be received in the near future.

Through the first quarter of this year, Federal Housing Administration had received 21 applications in total amount of \$21,220,400 for housing for the elderly involving 2563 units

Just behind these 21 active projects in FHA's administration of mortgage insurance were 26 more projects involving 2789 units. Officials termed these firm proposals and expect that the large bulk of them will turn into applications. Still further back in the program stream were at least 100 contemplated projects known to FHA officials but not yet developed to the point of firm proposals to the agency. In addition, those responsible for carrying out the loan insurance program in Washington are watching closely the announced intentions of the AFL-CIO to construct more than 50 projects for their retirees.

All this would indicate that the program is not too far away from a point of breakthrough where it becomes a systematic process of handling applications and the Federal government will no longer need to sell its merits and explain its detailed functions as is done today.

Twenty-three states now are represented in the proposals, indicating a fairly widespread range of interest. But the action side of the program, represented in commitments issued, remains relatively small with 16 in that status and only five mortgages insured.

Construction had been completed on two of the projects at the end of the first quarter of 1958, representing a total of 690 units. The other 14 where commitments had been issued involved 1373 units and construction was to get underway as soon as final details could be cleared.

The authorization for this operation lies in the National Housing Act as amended in August of 1956. This established specific administrative authority for the loan insurance programs in Sections 203 and 207, the

governing sections for FHA sales and rental housing. Congress now is being asked by the Administration—in the omnibus housing bill for 1958—to break the assistance program for housing for the elderly out of Section 207 and establish an independent section dealing with the rental phase of this type of shelter.

FHA authorities say it would be much easier to administer and less confusing to applicants if housing for the aging had its own section in the law

Virtually all the activity to date has been under the rental section. Persons of 60 years and over have been purchasing FHA-insured homes; but as a separate program, using the special benefits established in the law for the elderly buyer, there has been no interest that could be considered significant.

The only special inducement in the current law is that providing that buyers may borrow for the downpayment.

The greater attractions in the 207 program lie in the offer of 90 per cent of replacement cost for a term of 40 years plus special assistance through Federal National Mortgage Association purchase of these FHA-insured mortgages. (The recently enacted emergency housing bill provided for an additional \$50 million to be used by FNMA for the purchase of FHA-backed mortgages on homes for the aging.)

Most of the agency's inquiries to date have come from religious groups already operating homes for the elderly and its lists of proposals show a preponderance of intended sponsors of this kind. It reports that individuals owning property which they wish to sell to non-profit sponsors also have accounted for a great number of inquiries, And labor unions are coming into it in greater numbers.

Most of the buildings in the going rental program are of the high-rise, non-housekeeping type, and most have been financed through FNMA's secondary market operation.

The heaviest problem that FHA continues to face in the administration of this program is that of housing cost. The elderly citizens for whom the scheme was devised constitute a lower income group and the lending risk is for the most part

greater than where younger wage earners are involved.

It is hoped that as the program continues, it can attract sponsors who will construct housing for the elderly in smaller communities. Most of the results so far have centered in larger population areas. There appears to be a great need for housing for the aging in the smaller towns where FHA officials believe a garden-type or motel-type multi-unit building would be appropriate.

Here are the benefits the law presently offers:

Section 203 allows elderly individuals (60 or over) to buy for their own occupancy on a 30-year term at five and a quarter per cent interest plus the one half per cent mortgage insurance premium. It also permits him to borrow the down-payment and closing costs. There is a \$20,000 limitation on the mortgage.

Section 207, multi-family rental, allows the FHA to insure eight or more living units for a 40-year term at four and a half per cent interest plus the one half per cent premium, and up to 90 per cent of the replacement cost. There is an \$8100 limit per living unit—\$8400 for elevator types. The whole project must be specifically designed to meet the needs of the elderly, and there is a mortgage limitation of \$12.5 million per contiguous project. Sponsorship is limited to non-profit organizations.

An industry advisory committee to FHA met in Washington just a year ago to consider the problems in this program which then was very new indeed. The nine-man group tackled all phases of housing for the elderly and out of the deliberations came a report which has guided officials to some extent. This report states, on Type of Structure:

"It was suggested that many retired people prefer to live in cottages until they are too old to care for themselves, and then prefer to move to a central building where nursing care is available. In such an instance, the central building preferably should be multi-story with elevator service, reducing walking distances to and from dining and other facilities. While a number of the committee members favored multi-story buildings because they were less expensive to operate than a single-story building, it was the experience of one partici-



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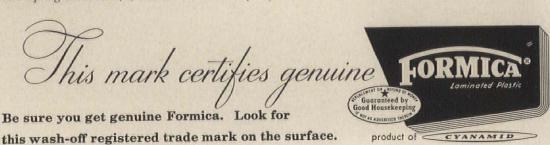
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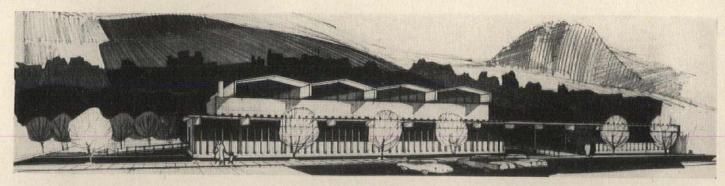
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## News from Canada by John Caulfield Smith



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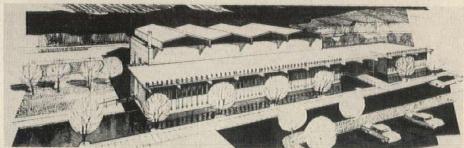
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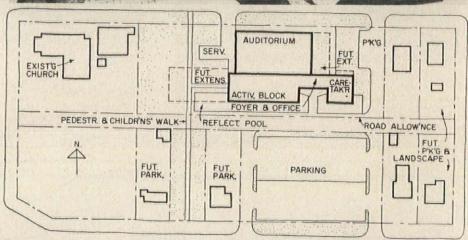
R. A. D. Berwick of Thompson, Berwick & Pratt, Architects, has been named winner of the competition for a community center for West Vancouver. He will receive the commission to provide complete architectural service for the building.

Second prize of \$500 goes to Lund, King and Associates. Recipient of the third prize of \$250 was A. K. Hanson.

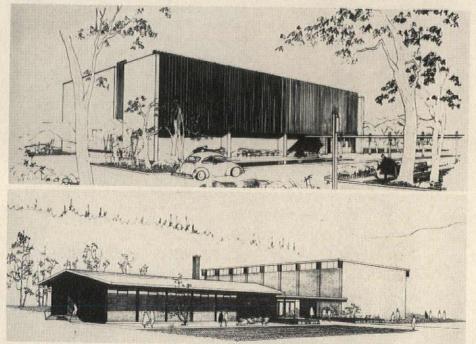
The report of the Board of Assessors appointed by the sponsoring Corporation of the District of West Vancouver stated that 36 entries were received from architects eligible to compete-i.e., those residing in the Vancouver metropolitan area. The assessors said they had been impressed by the high standard of work represented and the great amount of time and skill spent on the drawings. Prof. Fred Lasserre. director of the School of Architecture of the University of British Columbia, was the professional adviser and chairman of the Board of Assessors. Members of the Board were Peter M. Thornton and H. W. Pickstone, both architects; Mrs. Margaret Fraser, chairman of the West Vancouver Community Association; and Reid Mitchell, chairman of the West Vancouver Recreation Commission.

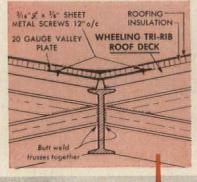
In their report, the assessors recommended that "the winning architect be commissioned immediately to proceed with the further development of the design. No major deviation in his scheme should be permitted which would detract from the pleasant appearance of the building as submitted and which was considered by the assessors to be very appropriate to West Vancouver, blending well with the residential character of the municipality. This building would exercise a most satisfactory controlling influence on the design of future buildings in the development of the center."





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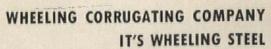
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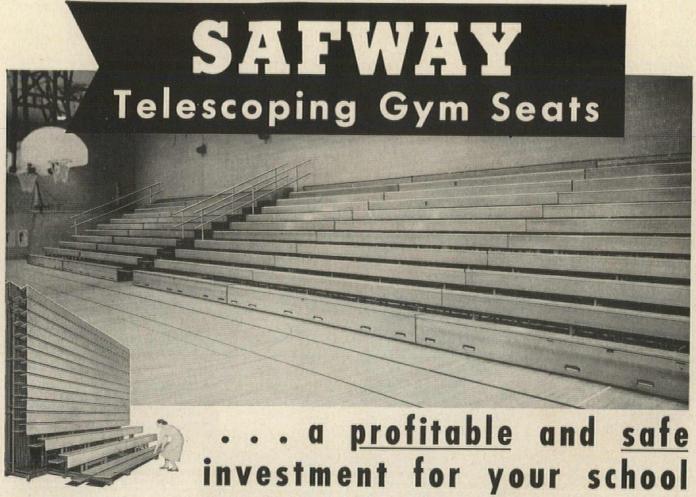


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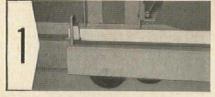
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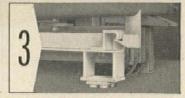
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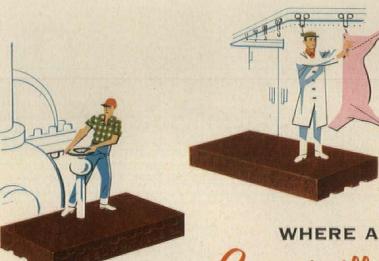














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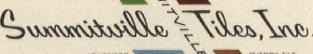
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About 350 members, many accompanied by their wives, attended the 67th annual meeting and convention of the Ontario Association of Architects, held at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, February 28-March 1.

Unanimous approval was given to a code of ethics prepared by a committee chaired by Norman H. Mc-Murrich. This document, spelling out the architect's responsibilities to his clients, covers such points as moral obligations, firm names, partial services, remuneration, criticism of other architects' work, solicitation of commissions, and interpretation of construction contracts.

The new code is intended to supplement but not to replace the regulations of the registration board.

Two seminars were held at this year's convention, one on "Older People in the City," the other on "Thin Shell Concrete."

Speaker on the latter subject was Dr. Mario G. Salvadori, professor of civil engineering at Columbia University.



The new president greets the old. At left, G. Everett Wilson, Toronto, incoming O. A. A. president, is congratulated by retiring president E. C. S. Cox, also of Toronto, at annual dinner

There were three hurdles to pass, Professor Salvadori asserted, in achieving the use of thin shell concrete. The first was convincing building department officials and city engineers that it was practicable, sensible and, above all, safe. The second was convincing the contractor that such construction is possible. The third was cost.

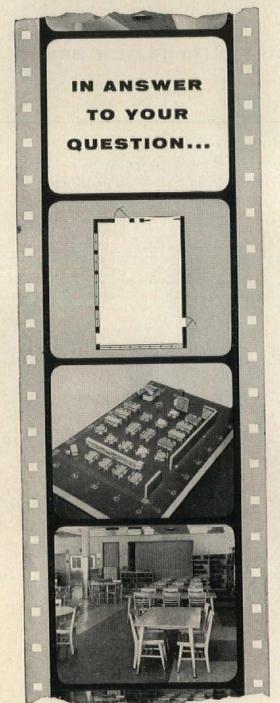
To meet the cost problem, he advocated scaffolding and forms that can be used over and over again, as many as ten or fifteen times. It is possible, he said, to project continuing planes and shapes of thin shell concrete through the use of standardized forms. He also advocated building the shapes on the ground and then raising them into place. The only limiting factor was availability of cranes of sufficient size. But, Professor Salvadori stated, one could well consider the feasibility of using precast elements of "between 20 and 40 tons" which could be set into place.

Further on the question of cost, weatherproofing has been a prob-



Warnett Kennedy of Vancouver and William S. Goulding of Toronto (above) were participants in panel session at O. A. A. meeting. Below: Prof. Mario Salvadori (right) of Columbia, another panel speaker, with John C. Parkin of Toronto





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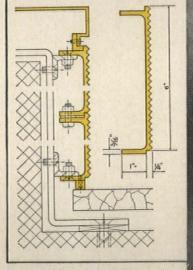




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lem, Professor Salvadori said. Until recently it has been expensive—up to 30 cents a sq ft. But through the development of new materials—he cited several which had been used successfully—it is now possible he said, to weatherproof for as low as five cents a ft, including the cost of color, if desired.

Discussion on older people and their urban environment was led by a three-man panel composed of Michael M. Sumner, president of the Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Windsor; James Govan, one of Toronto's leading authorities on hospital design; and Warnett Kennedy, Vancouver architect.

Mr. Sumner outlined the problems encountered in housing programs for the aged, and described the solution arrived at in his own city of Windsor. "We were the first," he said, "to build senior citizens' homes spread throughout the community for those with limited incomes."

After recounting achievements of Windsor's Riverview Hospital in the field of geriatrics, Mr. Sumner stated that a new, homelike institution would shortly replace the 19th century "Home of the Friendless" in his city. "Keynote of our program," he declared, "is creation of an aged center which will be for old people what the YMCA is for young people. Here will be a bridge for people discharged from active treatment at Riverview and others who, for whatever reason, require a new pattern of living and a period of adjustment in order to achieve it.

"Even more important, the new institution will be the gathering place for all the old people of the community. It will provide a complex of social, economic, recreational and educational services on which every aged person can draw."

Mr. Govan spoke principally on the requirements of elderly persons confined in hospitals.

Warnett Kennedy, in addition to practicing architecture, is the executive director of the Architectural Institute of British Columbia. As well as taking part in the panel discussion on older people, he was a luncheon speaker.

"Architecture is in danger of becoming a mechanical function, and if it does, the profession may degenerate into a branch of industrial de-



Two of the convention guests (above), at the O. A. A. Council reception—Mrs. G. E. Wilson of Toronto, wife of O. A. A.'s new president, and Mrs. Paul Pentland. Below: the oldest living past president of the Ontario Association of Architects, C. P. Meredith, now in his eighties, receives gift in recognition of his services to the Association from President Cox.

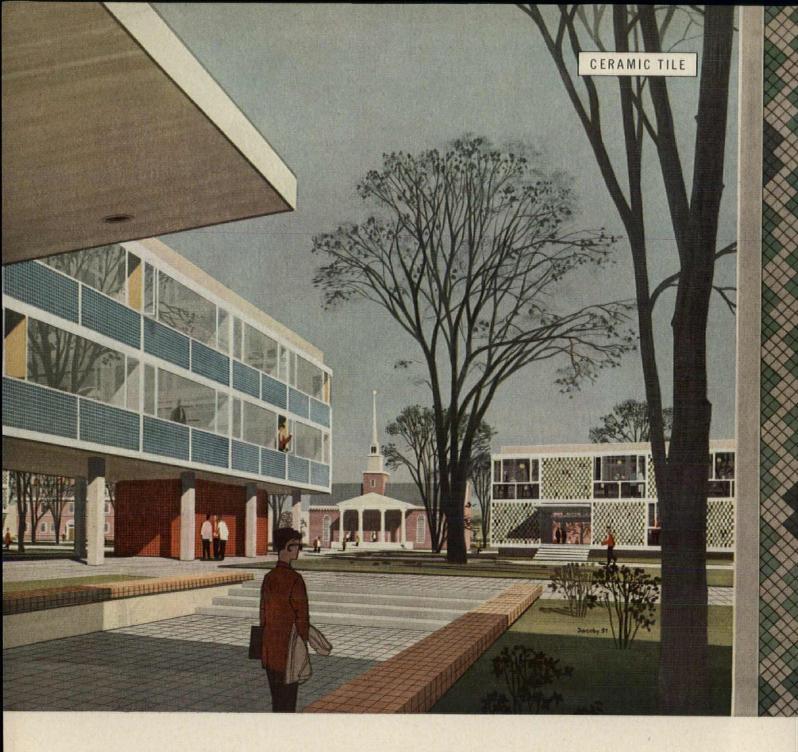




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sign," Mr. Kennedy declared. "What is needed is the placing of greater value on faith and less on intellect.'

#### Past Presidents Honored

At the annual dinner, 17 past presidents of the O.A.A .- from Hamilton, Windsor, Ottawa, Montreal and Toronto-were recipients of engraved sterling silver bowls testifying to their contributions to the profession. Senior among those so honored was C. P. Meredith of Ottawa, now in his eighties, who served his term of office in 1912.

Four students, all from Toronto, also figured in the presentation of O.A.A. awards. Peter Rasins won a \$200 scholarship, Garfield A. Mac-Innis and Frank A. Cheop each received \$100 prizes, and John Sievenpiper was this year's winner of the Architectural Guild Medal.

Over 65 exhibitors participated in the annual display of new building materials and methods.

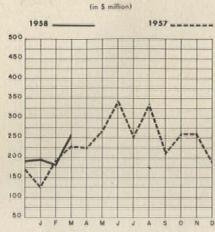
#### G. Everett Wilson Elected

Heading the O.A.A. for 1958 is G. Everett Wilson of Toronto. He succeeds E. C. S. Cox, during whose tenure membership of the organization grew from 785 to 853.

Other new officers are: vice president, Lynden Y. McIntosh, Fort William; treasurer, Norman H. McMurrich, Toronto; chairman of the registration board, Eric W. Haldenby, Toronto; and vice chairman of the registration board, W. R. Souter, Hamilton. John D. Miller continues as secretary of the Association and of the registration board.

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#### School Aid Supporters Muster for New Push on Legislation

Supporters of Federal aid for school construction were hopeful that the House Education and Labor Committee would take up bills in this field following the Easter recess which ended April 14. Pressure for consideration of the legislation had been mounting as the group continued hearings on plans for government assistance to colleges and universities in the areas of science and mathe-

matics teaching and in scholarships for students.

At a subcommittee hearing on this subject, the National Education Association, the Americans for Democratic Action, and the American Parents Committee were among the organizations pleading for Congressional consideration of a school construction bill.

This type of legislation should be enacted not only to help meet the classroom shortages, these witnesses argued, but to bolster the economy as well in this time of slack employment in some regions.

Ruth Stout of Topeka, Kan., N.E.A.'s vice president, expressed the sentiment this way: "The American people will and should question the Congress authorizing the construction of roads, post offices, buildings, and other public works while the school building needs of boys and girls are ignored." Several of the witnesses urged that school building programs be ranked ahead of post offices, roads, and other public works measures being rushed through Congress in the emergency category.

What could prove to be the nucleus of a new Federal aid to school construction drive was the \$1.8 billion measure introduced late in March by Rep. Peter Frelinghuysen Jr. (R-N.J.), a member of the committee. The drafters of this proposed legislation purposely skirted some of the controversial features of last year's bedeviled H. R. 1 which failed of passage in the House on a narrow (fivevote) margin.

Loan considerations are out of the Frelinghuysen bill as are the bond and finance agency provisions of H. R. 1. This eliminating of certain features considered major in last year's effort was aimed at characterizing the 1958 measure as an emergency bill capable of quick enactment to provide jobs for unemployed as well as classrooms for overcrowded pupil bodies.

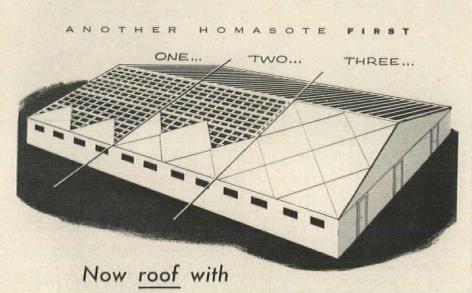
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—Distribution of the Federal money would be on a school age population basis with no attempt to equalize allowances through attention to states' economic levels.

—The U.S. Commissioner of Education would be authorized to relax state plan requirements. Purpose of this new provision, it was explained, is to permit states to apply for grants immediately upon enactment of the bill even before their overall school construction programs might be planned in final detail. Again, it was an attempt to achieve quick application of benefits.

—Any project with costs incurred after April 1, 1958, would be eligible, continued on page 382



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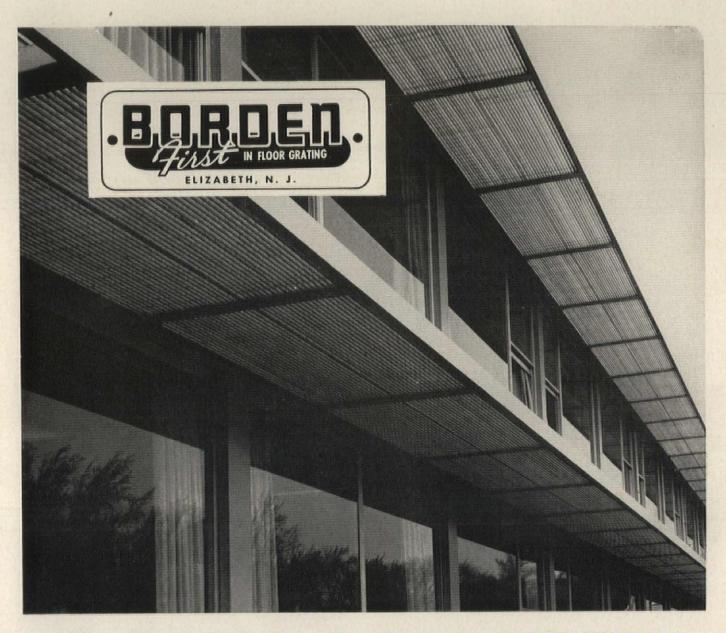
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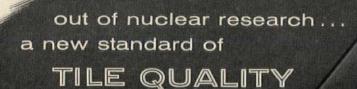
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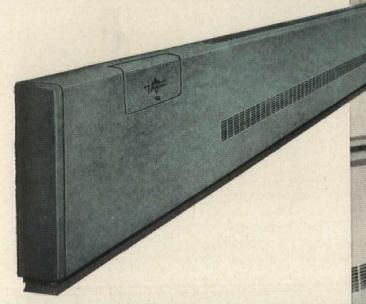
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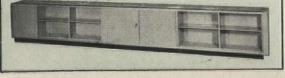




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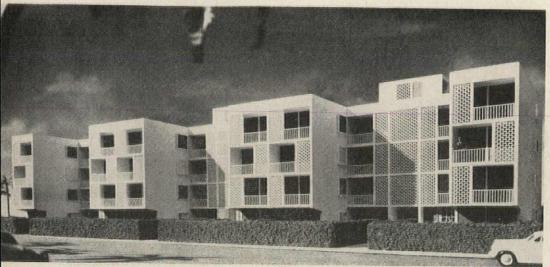
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# Design Research On Sun Control

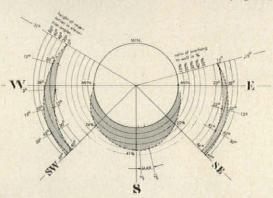
By Seymour Howard

The sun is the source of life, but its uncontrolled glare and heat are often unbearable. When architects took advantage of modern structural framing to allow sunlight to flood the interior of their buildings, many previously minor problems suddenly became of major importance.

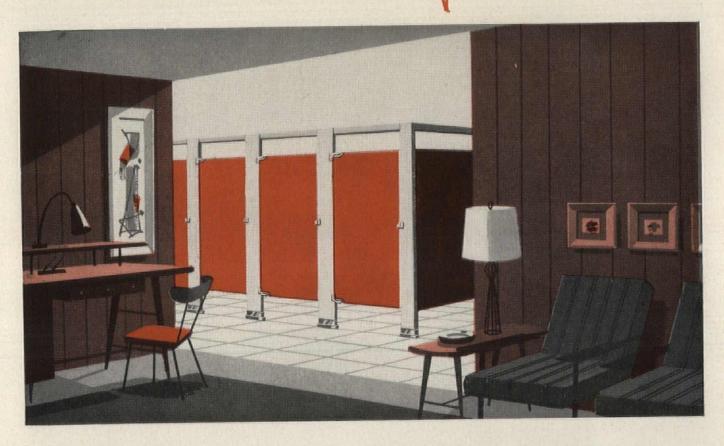
The technical aspects and the aesthetic implications of these problems have been analyzed by the Olgyay brothers in this book. Their basic philosophy is the functionalist one, in its correct interpretation. Rich variety of architectural form must have its roots in the correct solutions of real problems. "Intuition and fantasy," they write, "can really help us in achieving the essential goal (of architecture) if they are instinctive disciples of clear thinking. Subjective interpretations and ad libitum emotional solutions can be valid only after the fulfillment of intellectual obligations, for within the balance of knowing and feeling a work can truly fulfill its creative role."

The research accomplished by the Olgyays is a model of what architectural research should be. They have developed procedures for analyzing the sun problem and for designing correct solutions. They found the most useful method for graphical plotting of the sun's movement to be the "Sun Angle Calculator", an equidistant projection of the celestial sphere, published by the Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co. For model work they invented a simple device called the "Shade Dial". This enables the sun itself to be used as a source of parallel light rays on the model; the model can be turned so that the light falls at the correct angle for any hour of any day at any continued on page 64

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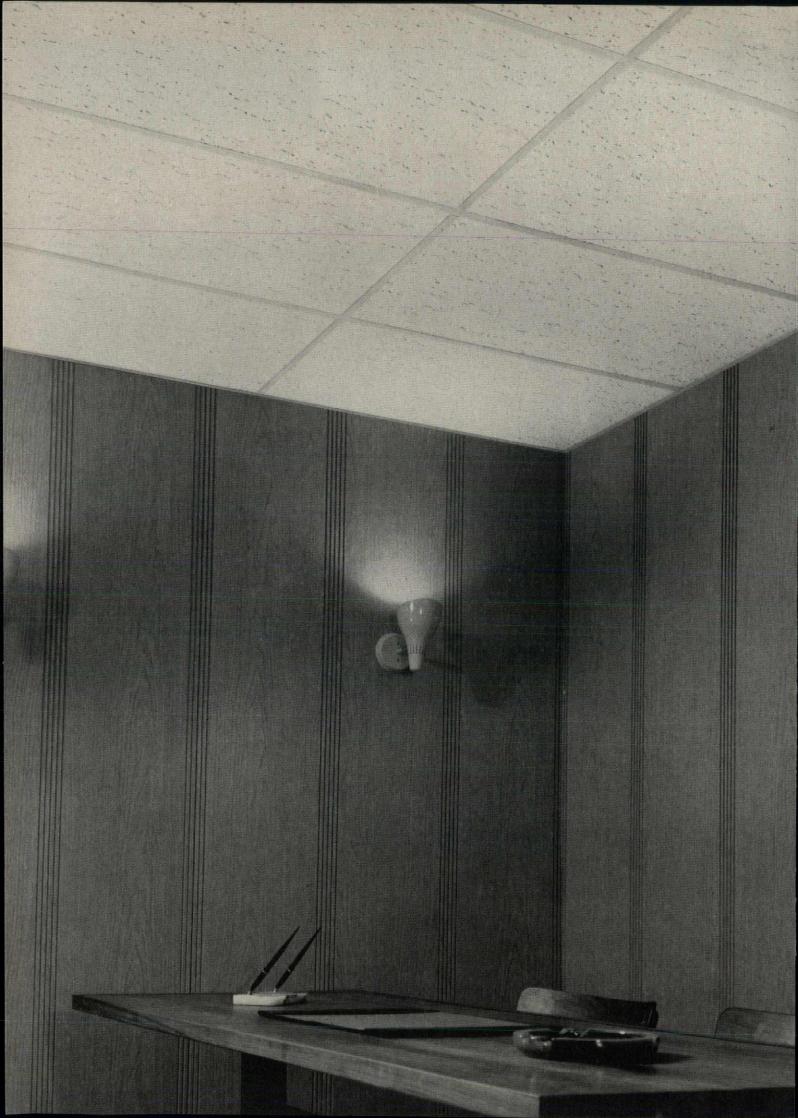
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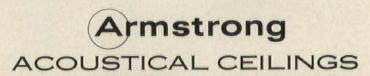


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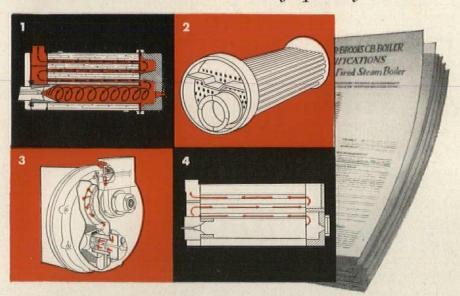
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latitude. They have also developed simple methods for the accurate calculation of the total flow of heat or light from the sun onto any surface, using their "Radiation Calculator". These methods also enable an accurate determination to be made of the cost of a shading device as compared with the cost of extra air conditioning if the shading device were omitted.

The summary of their analysis is shown in a "Regional Shading Chart" which gives the recommended length of overhangs and height of vertical shading devices on the various facades of a building in a given area. The information from this simple chart can be used directly as the basis for adequate preliminary architectural design. For more detailed studies a "Mask Protractor" can be prepared by the architect and sun control devices designed to provide exactly the amount of shading desired. The efficiency of the shading devices can be proved numerically by calculating the B.T.U. saving with the "Radiation Calculator".

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Finally, the authors present about a hundred examples of sun control devices as designed by modern architects throughout the world, each complete with photographs, details and "Shading Mask". These pictures indicate how rich and varied the forms of functional architecture can be.

A few points have been neglected. The problem of excessive insolation may exist even in the winter. Shutters or louvers, provided for sun protection, may also have value in reducing heat loss at night in winter, in protecting large glass areas from breakage and in giving a feeling of security during storms. The relation of sun control to other problems of regional and micro-climate could be developed further.

It would have been helpful to find in the book a complete description of equidistant projection and a method of constructing the diagrams based on it, particularly since the diagrams in the book are reproduced at too small a scale for use and are even difficult to read. The authors should

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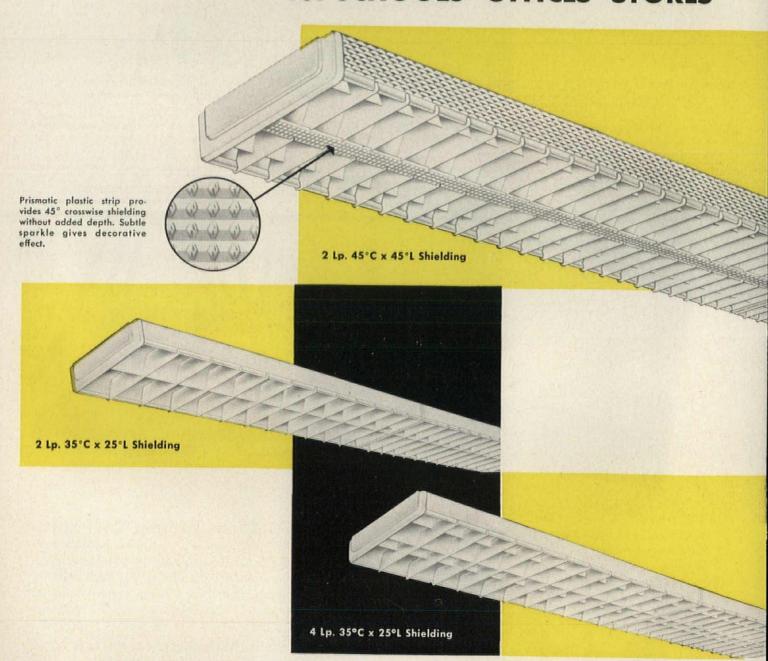
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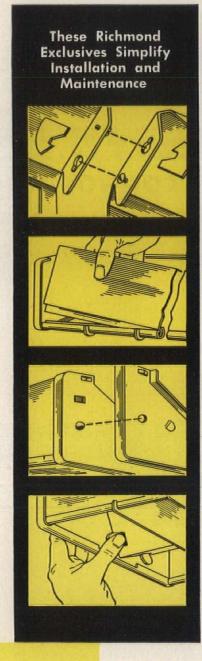
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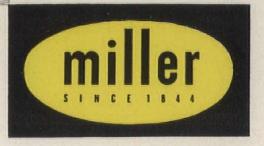
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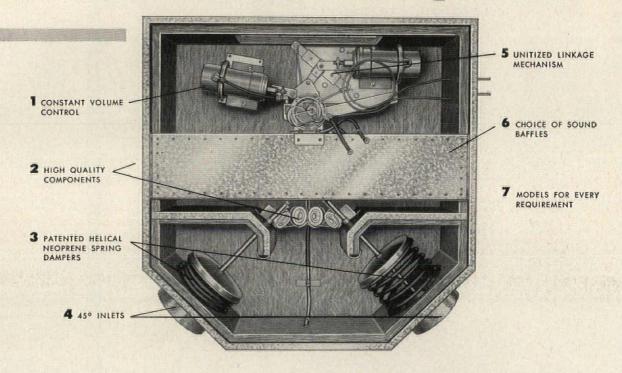
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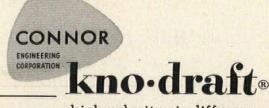
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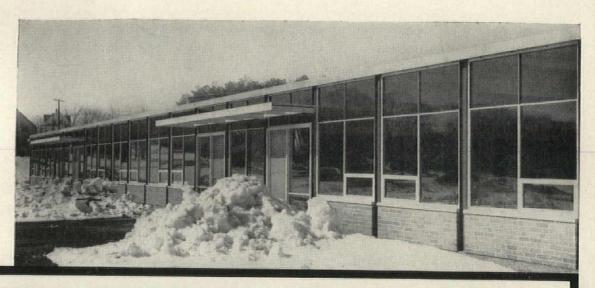
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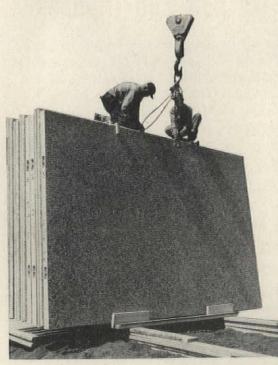
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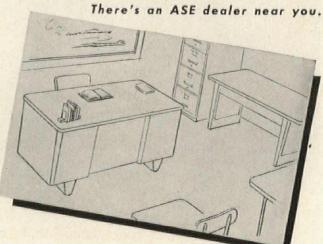
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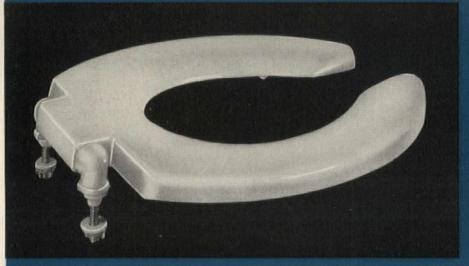
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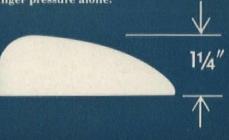
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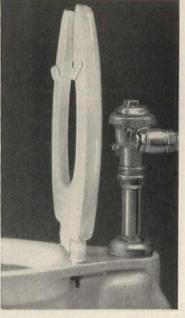




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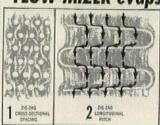
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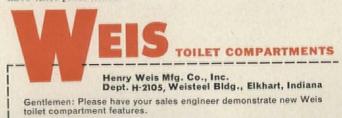




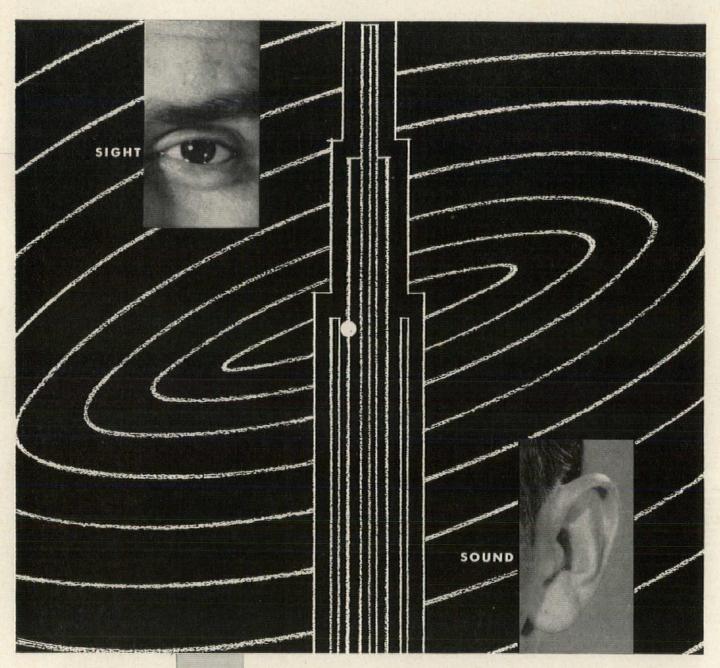
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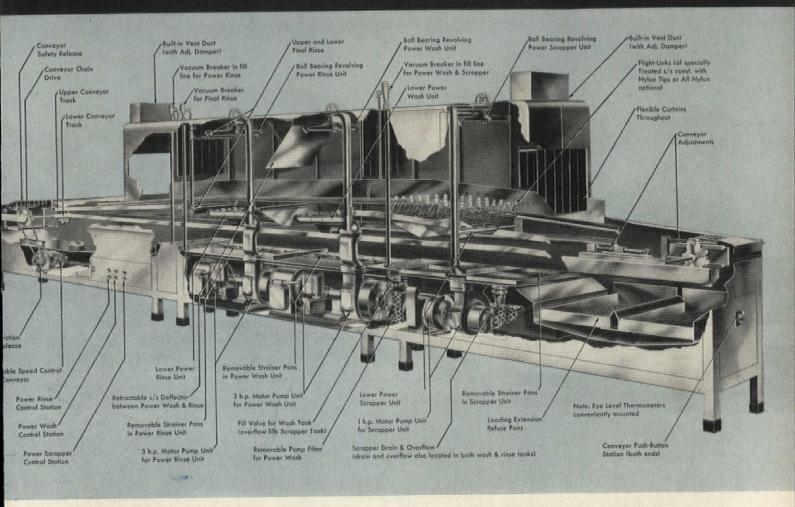
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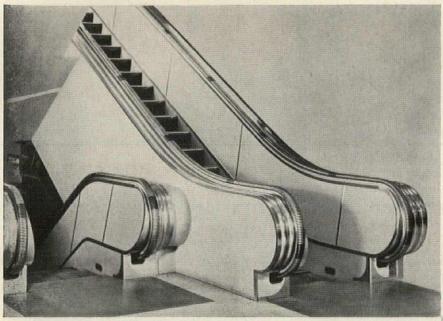
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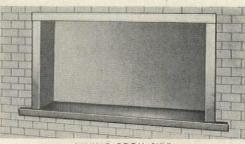
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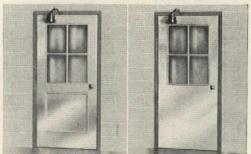
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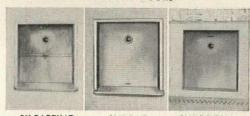
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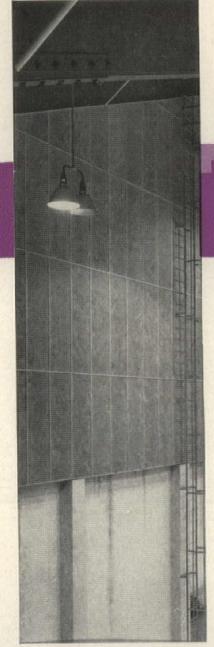
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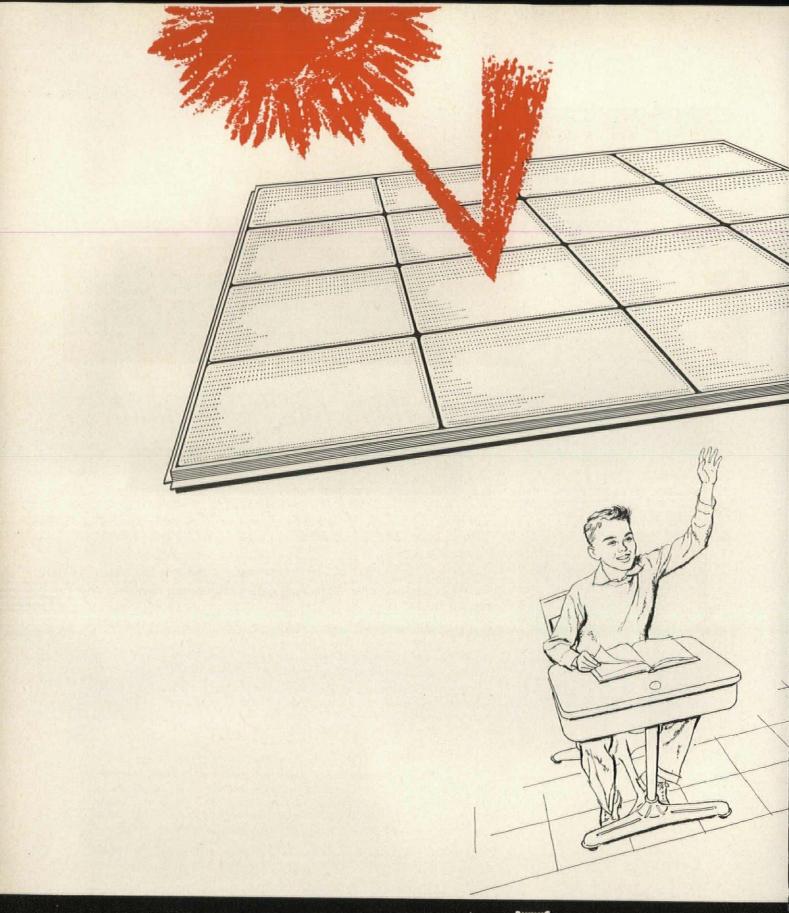


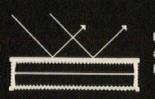
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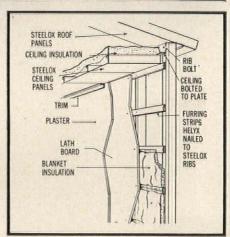
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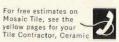
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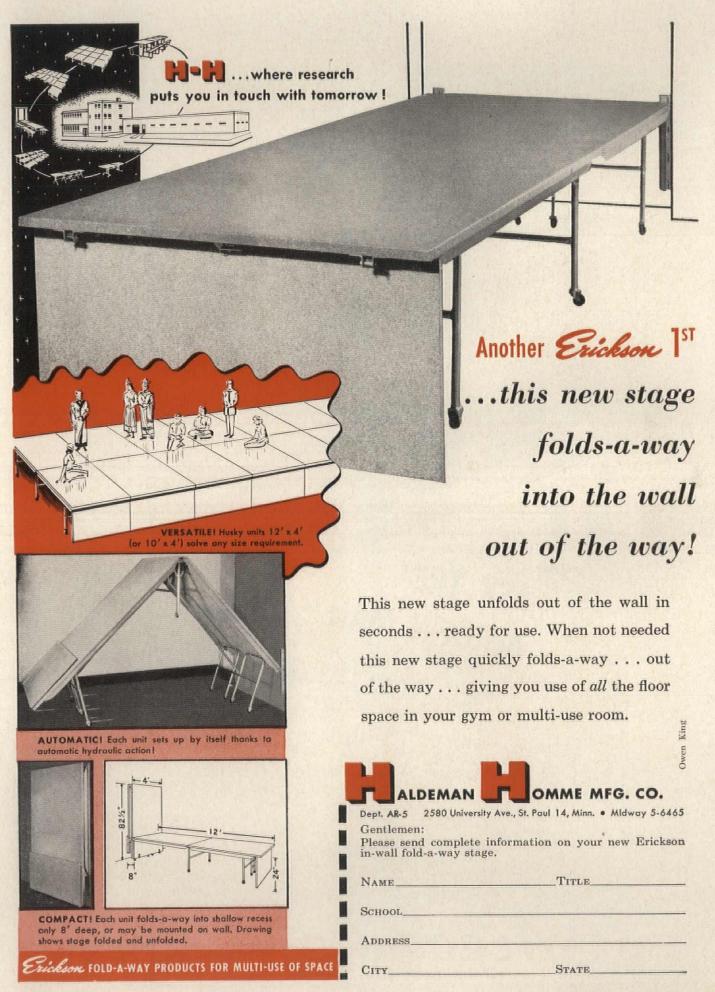
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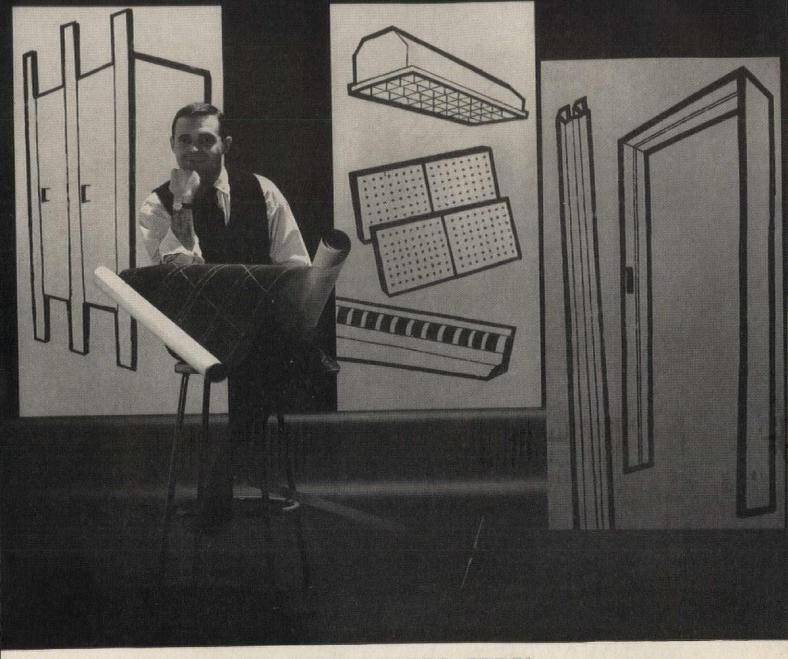
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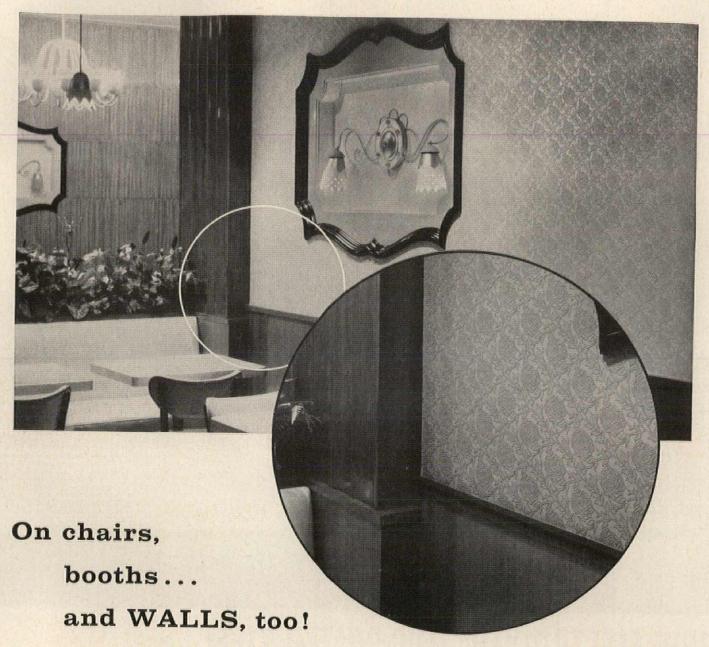


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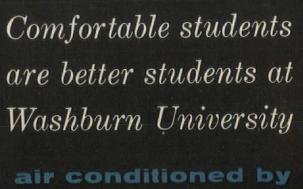
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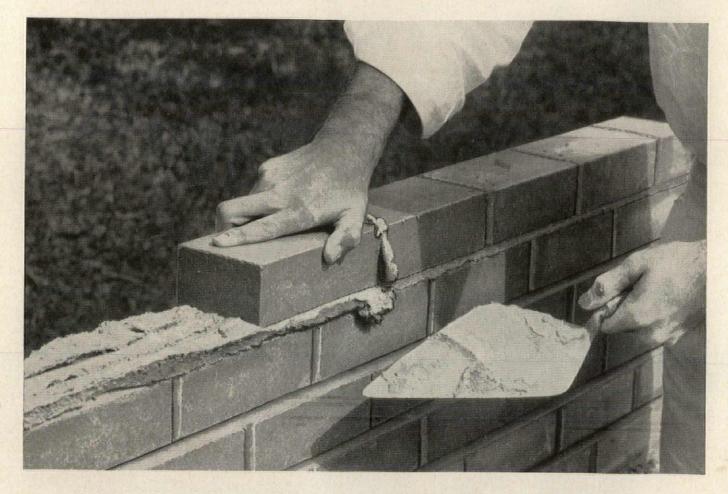
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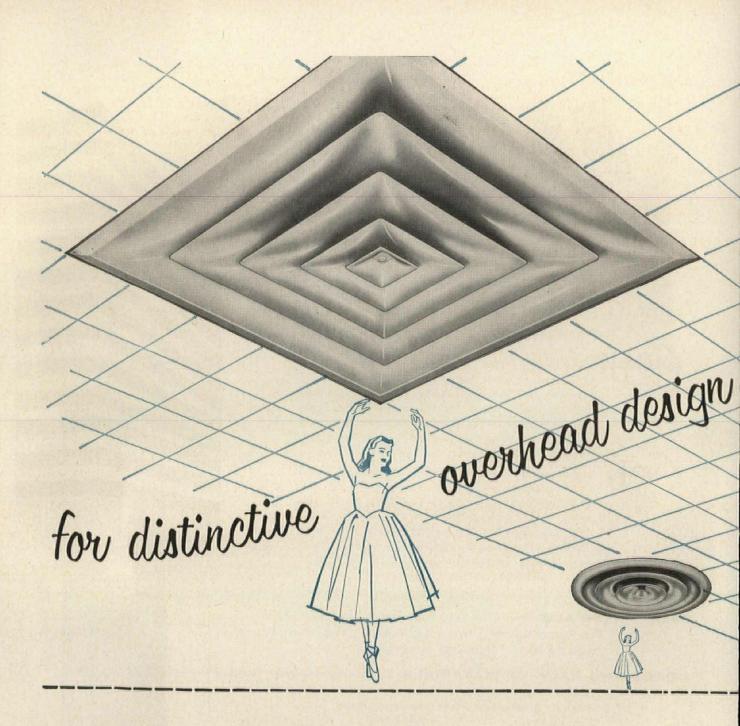


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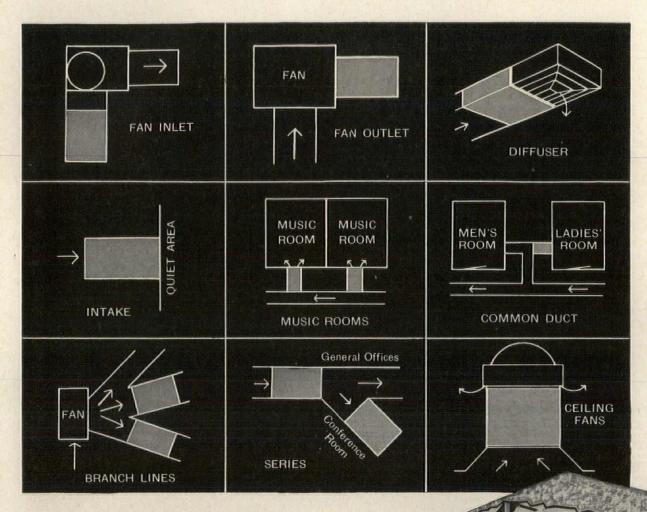
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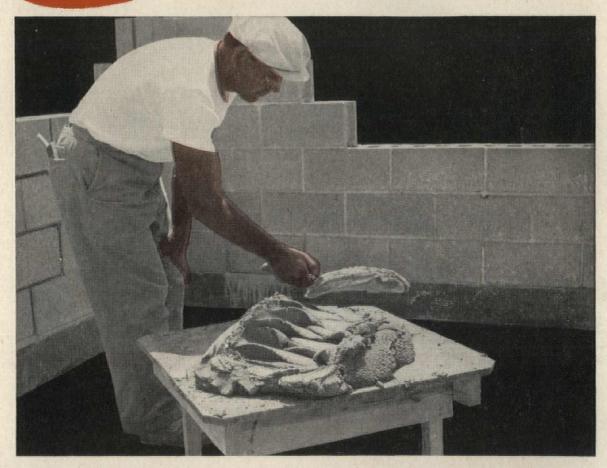
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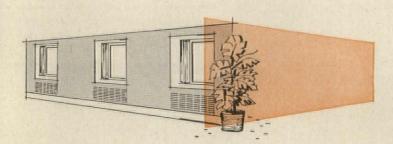
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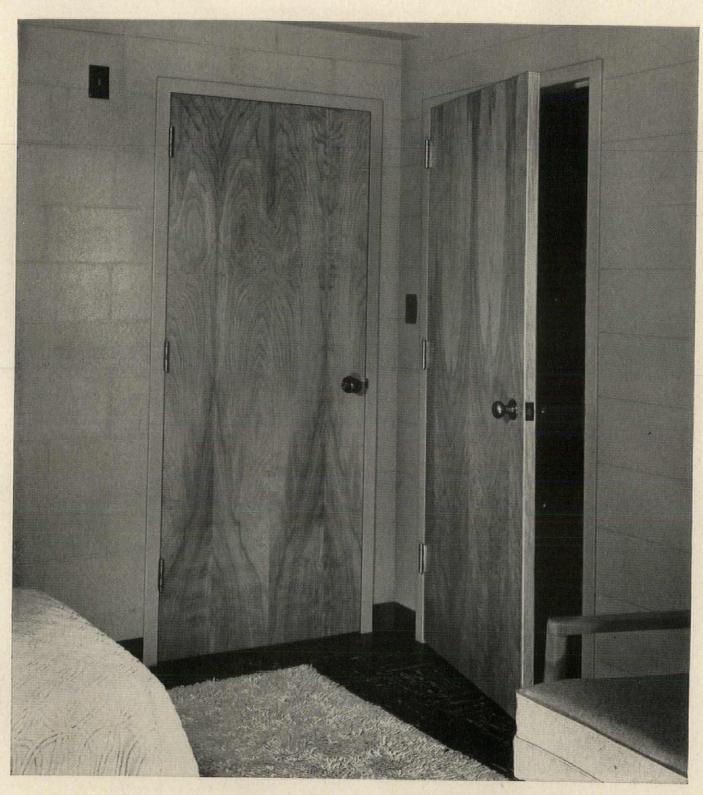
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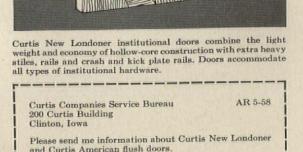
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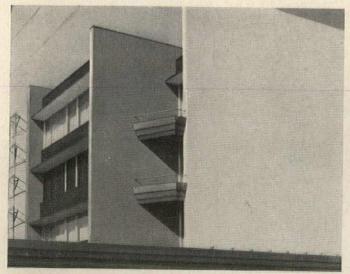
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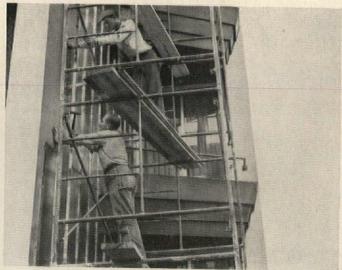


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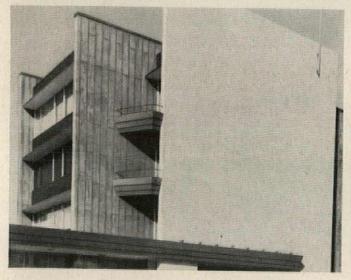
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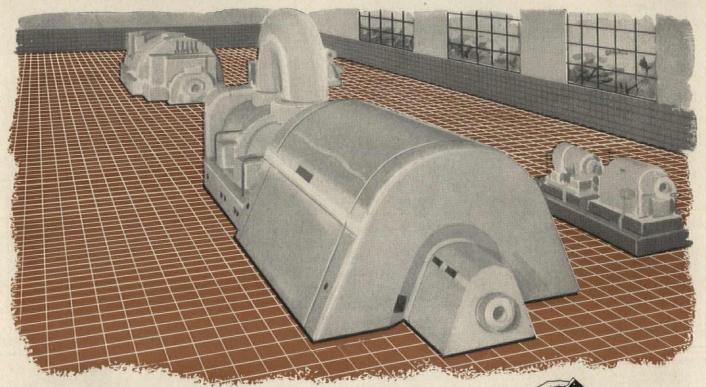
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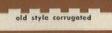
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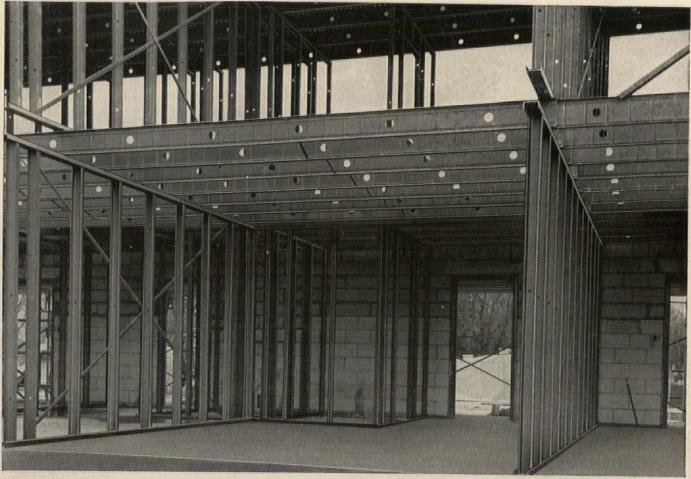
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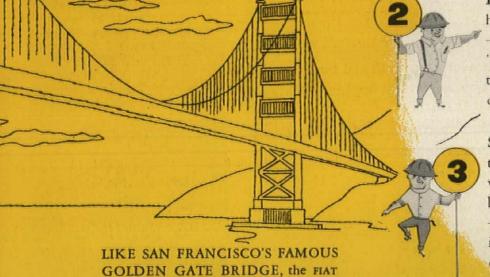
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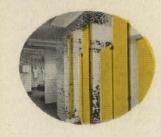
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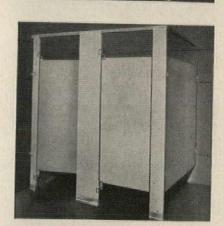
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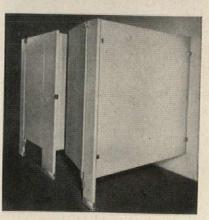
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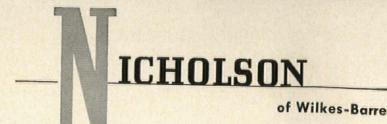
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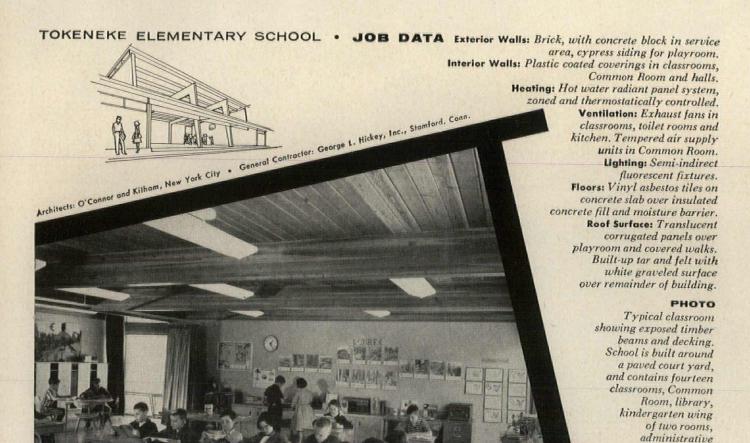
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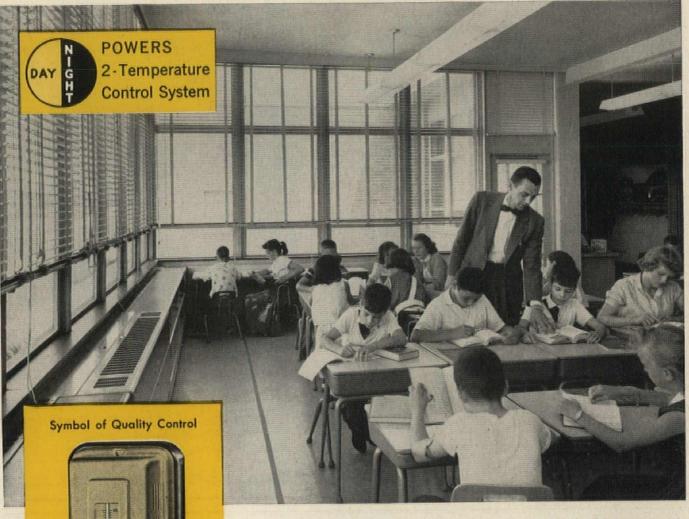
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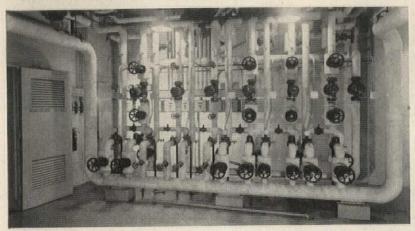
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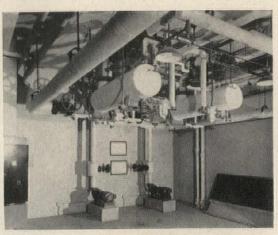
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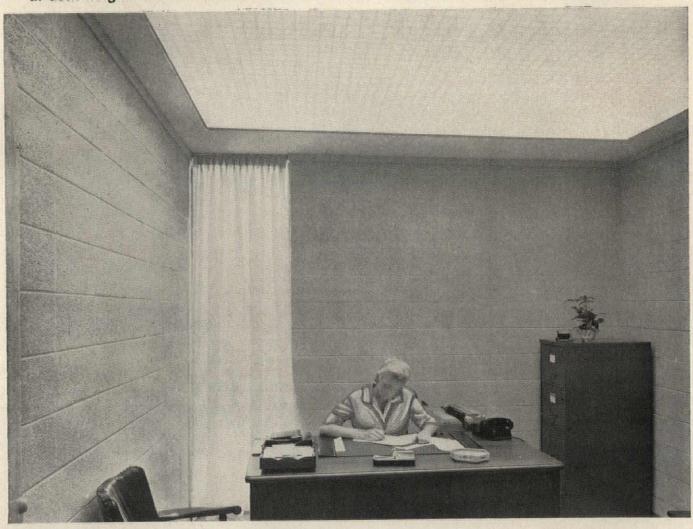
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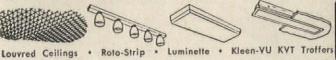
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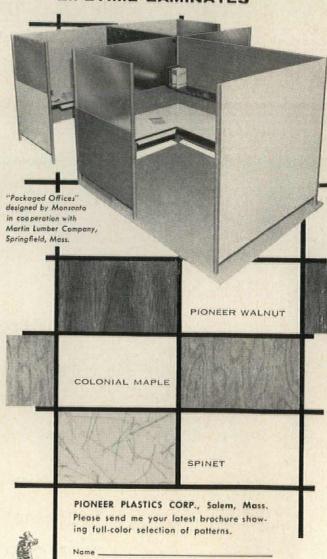
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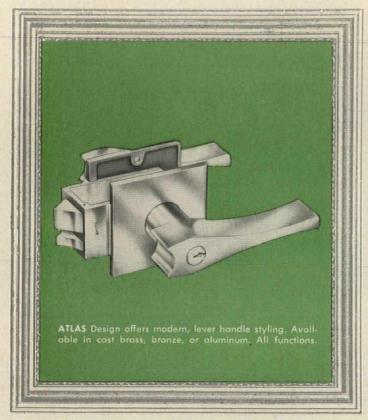


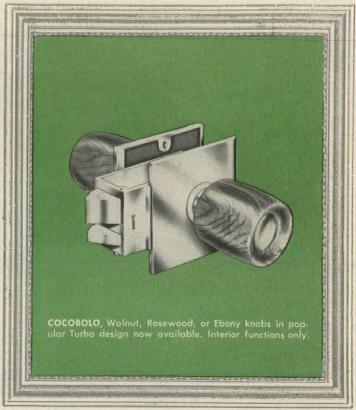
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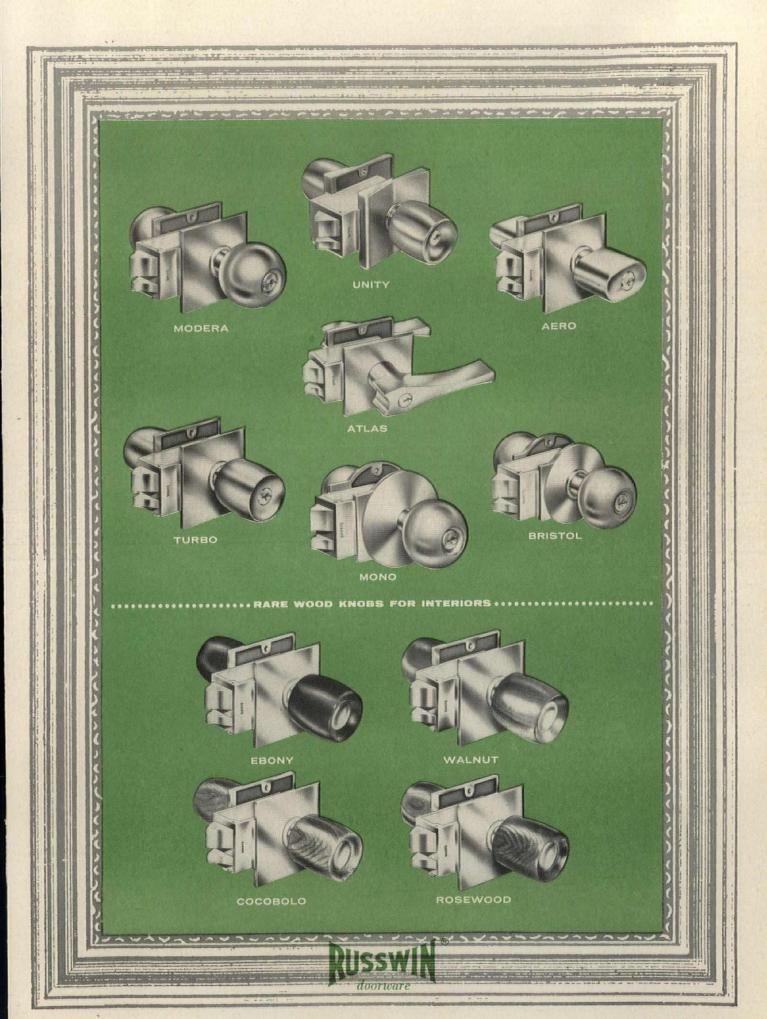
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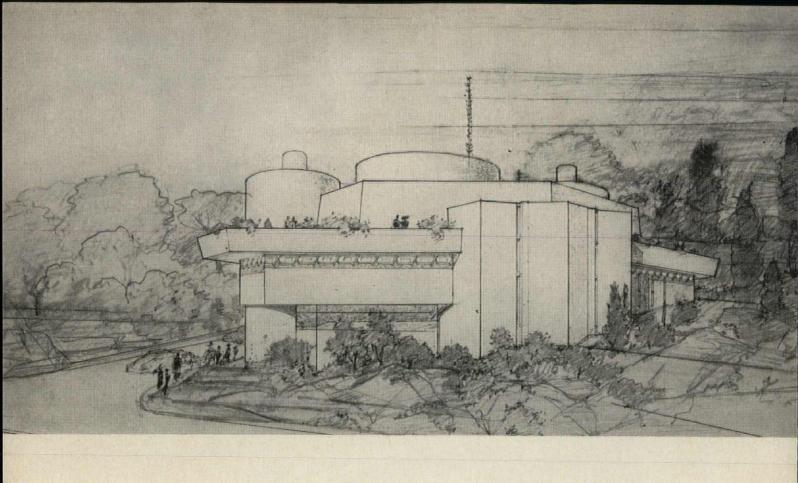
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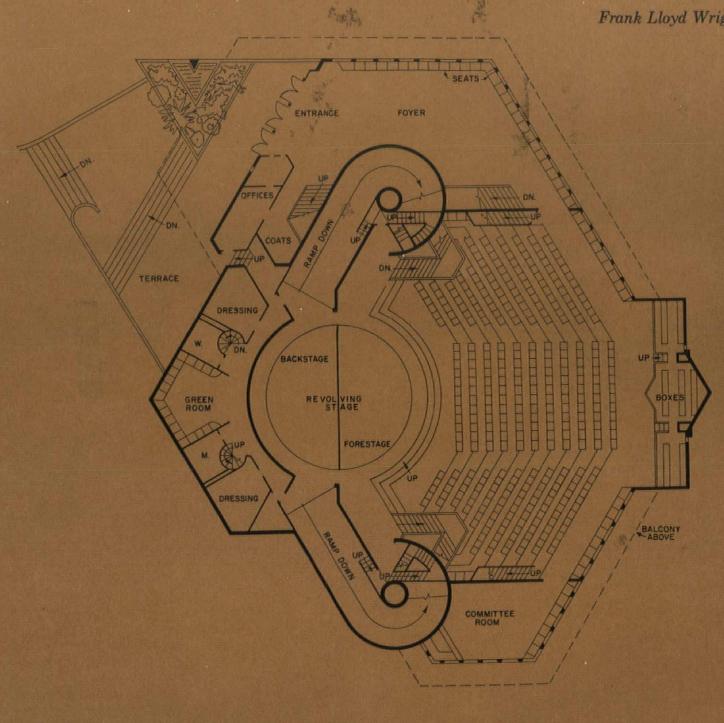
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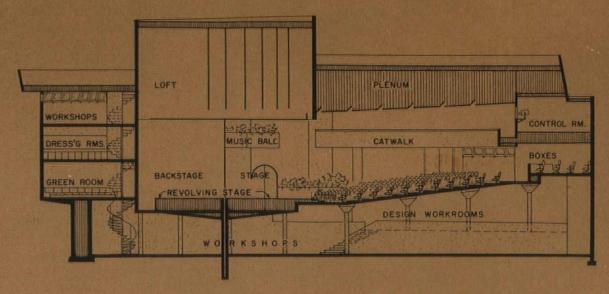
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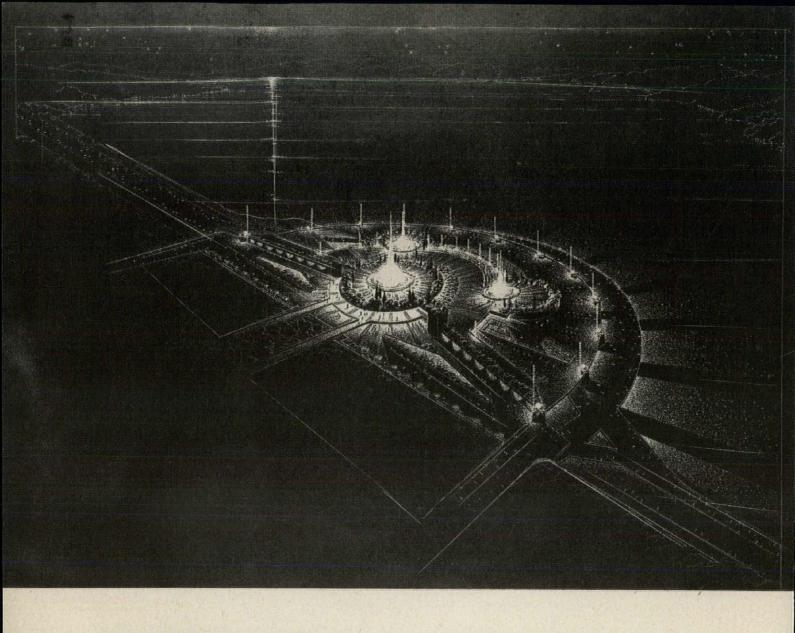


# DALLAS THEATER

The current list of projects of Frank Lloyd Wright which includes individual buildings and major civic complexes, numbers over one hundred schemes. Some of these are in preliminary sketch or working drawing stage, others are in construction or recently completed. One of several theaters and auditoriums which are on the drafting boards at Taliesin West, the Dallas Theater Center is in working drawing stage. Planned for a sloping wooded site, the building will be constructed of reinforced concrete throughout. It is designed as an intimate playhouse seating five hundred, and will be adaptable for use as a school of drama as well as a repertory theater. A revolving stage and two side stages offer flexibility in the handling of actors and scenery. There is no proscenium; the source of stage illumination is a "light plenum" above the suspended auditorium ceiling. In the perspective (above) the large circular drum is the exterior expression of the circular walls of the backstage and scenery loft. The two smaller cylinders enclose ramps and stairs. The planted terraces occur above the portions of the main floor which are cantilevered beyond the central structure. The lower level of the building will contain workshops and classrooms.



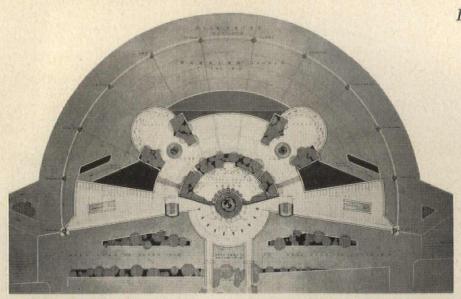


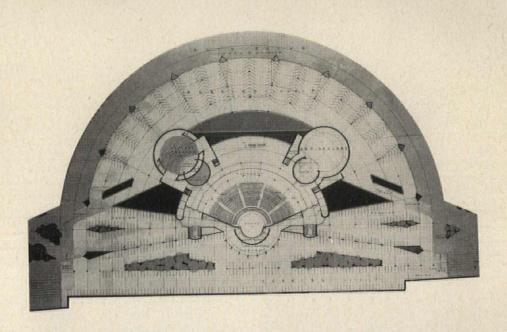


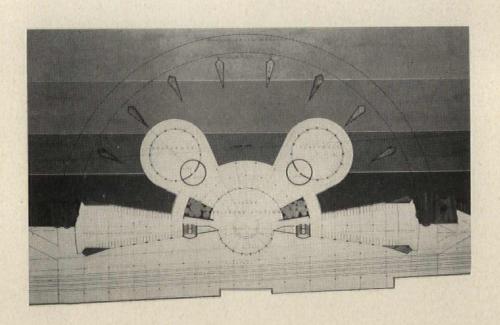
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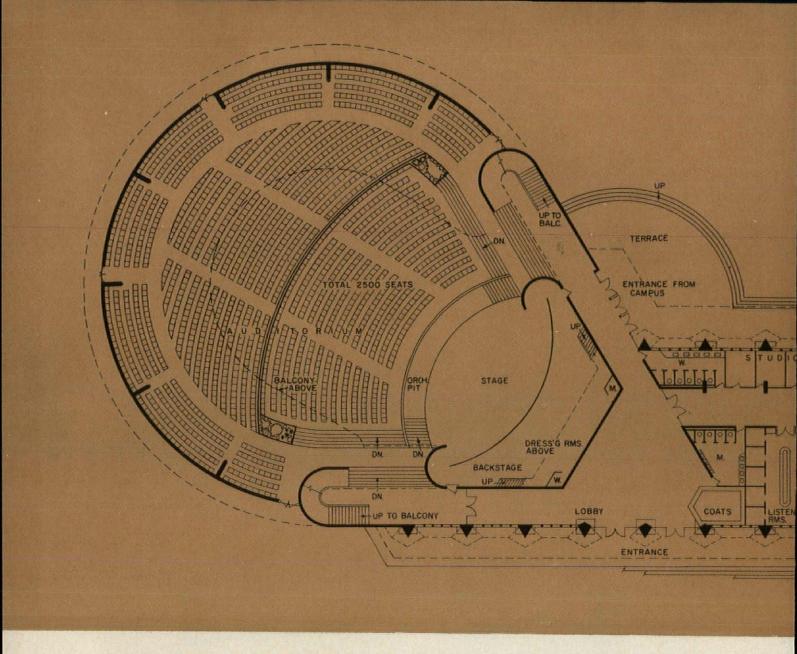
Within the city limits of Madison, Wisconsin, are three large lakes. Lake Monona lies at the end of a two block long street which is on axis with the state capitol building in the center of town. Unfortunately the waterfront has been virtually cut off from this important area by railroad tracks along the lake's edge; and parallel to the tracks the lake shore has been filled in to provide for a wide highway across the width of the city. The purpose of the Monona Terrace scheme is to recover the waterfront for urban use and make it a part of the central avenue, the capitol square and the capitol itself. Centered upon the axial avenue is a three level terrace projecting over the railroad tracks and filled in ground to be supported by wide span arches on twelve great piers, eight of which are set in the bed of the lake.

The lowest level (opposite page bottom) will have boathouses and moorings. The intermediate level (opposite page center) provides a theater-auditorium, a little theater and an art gallery. On the highest terrace at street level (opposite page top) are three large jet fountains made of spheres of colored glass representing Sun. Moon and Earth, and twelve smaller ones, the signs of the Zodiac.









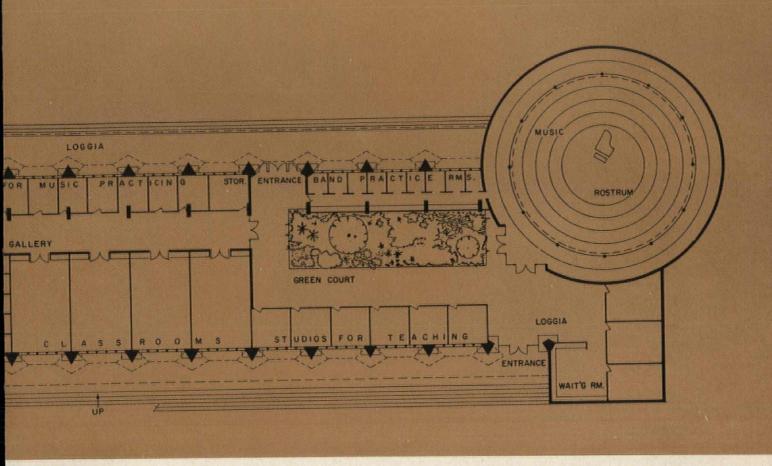
# MUSIC BUILDING FOR FLORIDA SOUTHERN COLLEGE

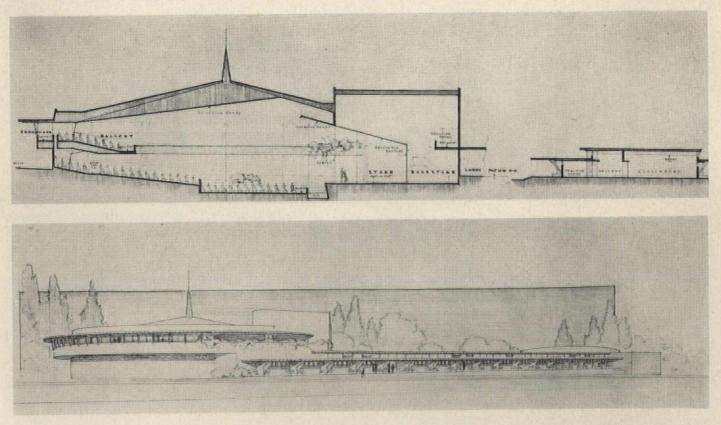
Frank Lloyd Wright is about to construct one more building to join the famous group he has already built on the campus at Lakeland, Florida. The new music school is part of a complex of completed buildings which includes the administration building overlooking a water dome, a library, a chapel and minor chapel and the recently finished cosmography building. All of the construction materials and methods to be used in the new structure have appeared before in the building of the college. The horizontal poured slabs and cavity block walls with their intricate patterns are features which decorate each building, whatever its character, and act as an integrating influence throughout the campus.

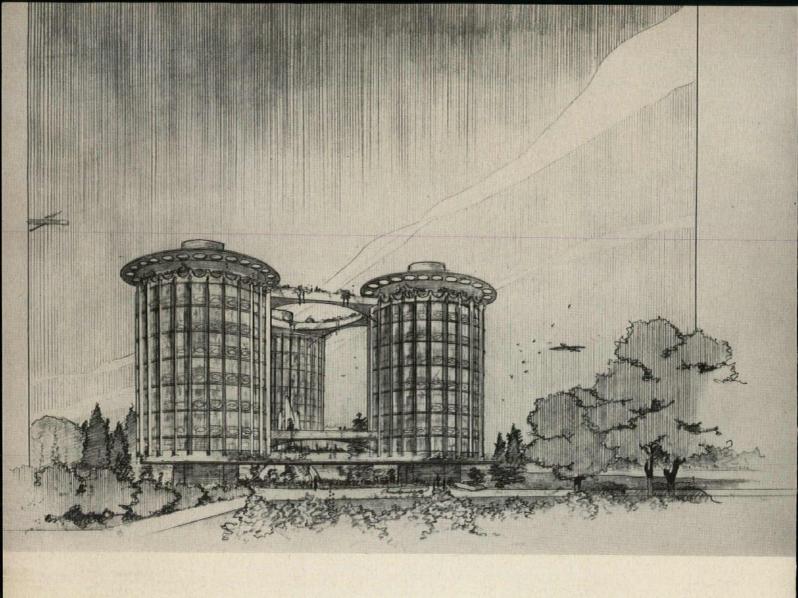
In the auditorium (see section opposite) the balcony and roof will be of reinforced concrete cantilevering from seven main reinforced concrete columns and the cavity block walls. The roof will be conical in shape. A cantilevered balcony inside is balanced by a smaller cantilevered balcony outside.

The circular band and practice room will have a concrete roof slab supported by the walls and by an inner radius of steel pipe columns.

Street view is shown in perspective (opposite).



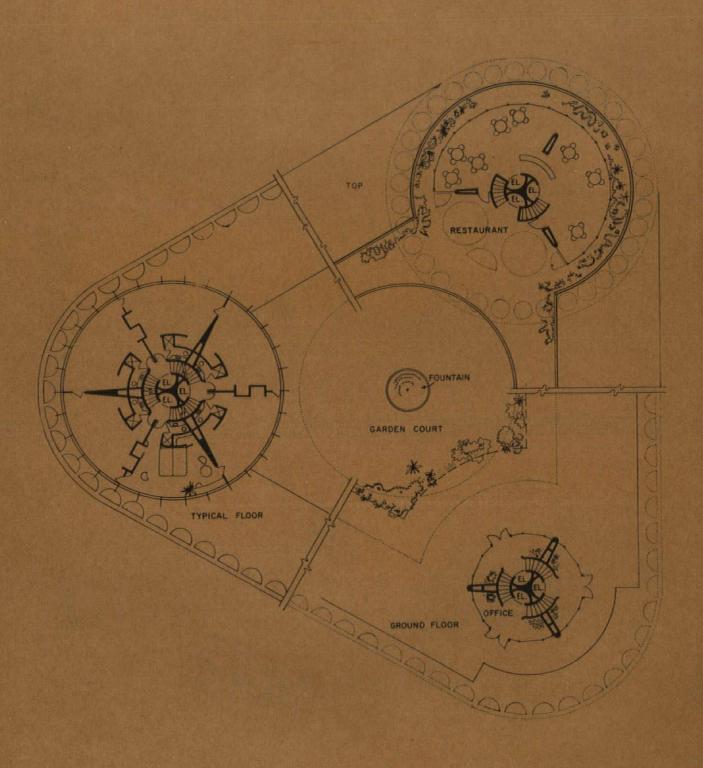


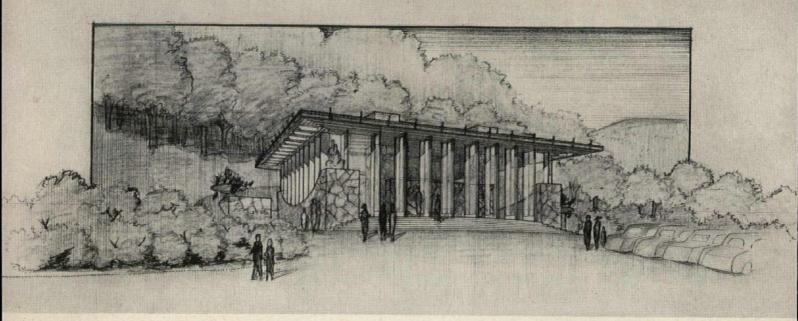


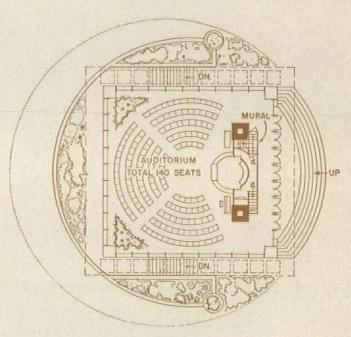
# A MOTOR HOTEL

Although designed as a stopover for motorists who have temporarily tired of the open road, this conception has none of the characteristics of motels anywhere. It seems destined to remain a project if only because it is so luxurious in some respects, so severe in others. The scheme is built around three separate elevator groups of three elevators each. A single cluster of elevators serves seven floors in addition to a terrace restaurant under the roof of each unit. The restaurant is interconnected by the bridges shown in the perspective above. One elevator functions for two rooms per floor giving a grand total of fourteen rooms per elevator. The rooms attained by means of this generous outlay of mechanical equipment are small.

This building shares a principle in common with Wright's other towers, the "interior" system of structure in which the floors are cantilevered from a steel and lightweight concrete core, tripod-shaped for stability.



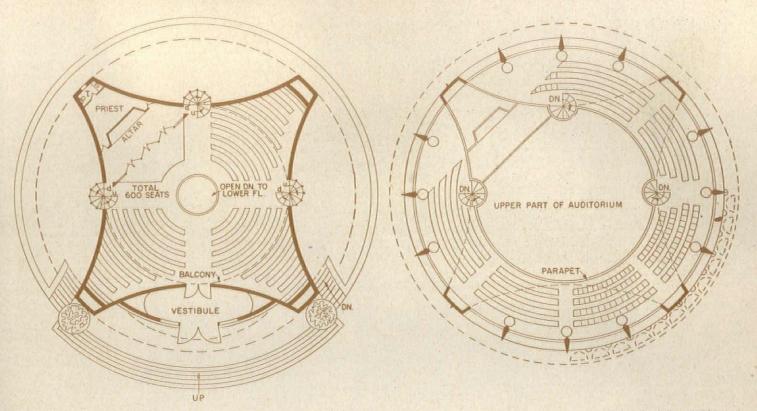




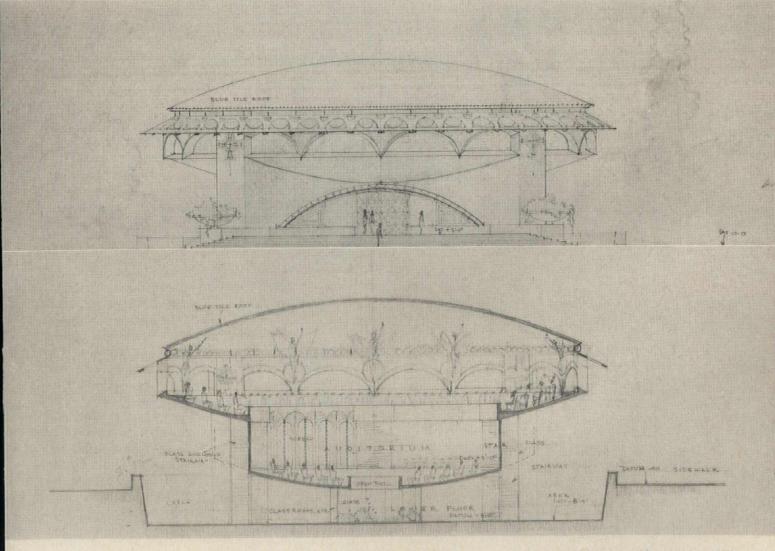
# TWO CHURCHES

Among the buildings in working drawing stage at Taliesin West are these two churches. The plan and perspective on this page are of the Christian Science Church, Bolinas, Marin County, California, designed in 1957. Square in shape it occupies a platform carved out of a sloping hillside bounded by a circular retaining wall. The roof is supported by rows of metal-framed fins with glass in them.

On the opposite page is a Greek Orthodox Church designed for Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 1956. Byzantine in quality, there is much in it that is reminiscent of the architect's early work. The sectional drawing is by Mr. Wright's own hand and suggests a rich use of ornament. The building is set in a circular pit of the same diameter as the roof projections which will provide light for classrooms on the lower floor. The upper part of the auditorium is reached by three glass-enclosed stairs.



Frank Lloyd Wright





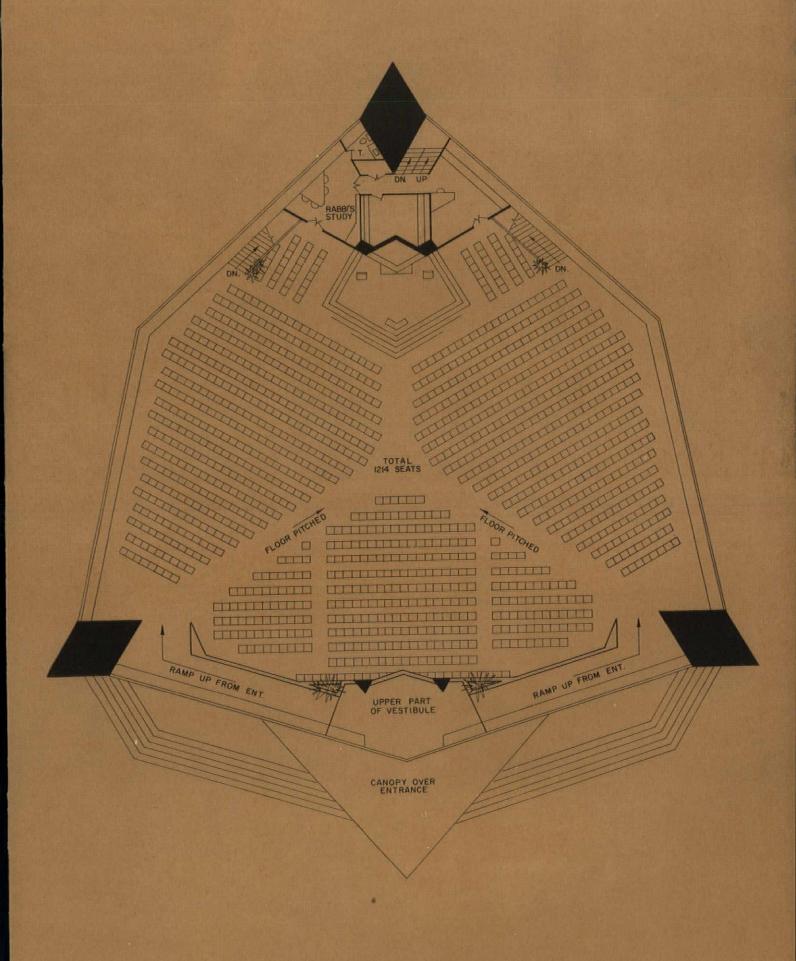
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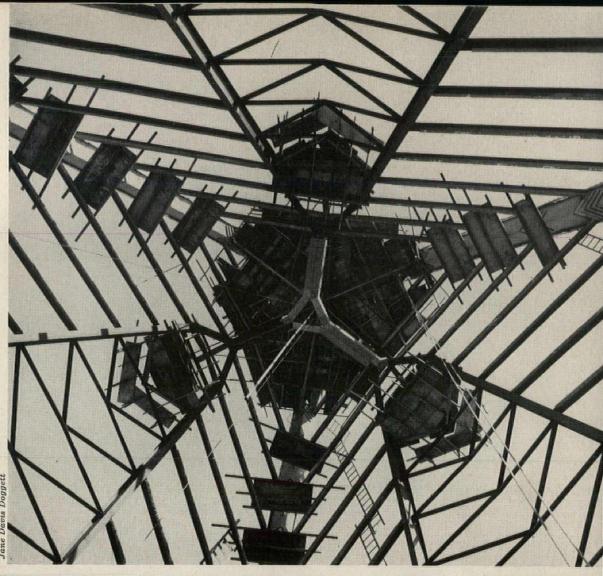
# A SYNAGOGUE

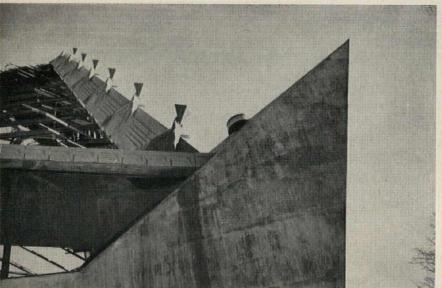
"We want to create the kind of building that people, on entering it, will feel as if they were resting in the very hands of God." Thus Frank Lloyd Wright described his intention in the design of a synagogue for the Beth Sholom Congregation now under construction in Elkins Park, Pennsylvania, a suburb of Philadelphia. The entrance vestibule opens onto the lower temple which is dark and enclosed. On either side of the vestibule ramps lead to the upper temple which will be brilliantly illuminated by the light of the sky through its great roof. The floor of the upper temple which slopes inward gently (see plan) does suggest cupped hands and the congregation may indeed feel that they rest in the hands of God and worship.

The structure is basically a pyramid on a hexagon. The pyramid is formed by a steel tripod, each leg of which rests on a diamond shaped concrete bastion. Subordinate vertical structural members rest on three great concrete beams in the form of chevrons. The roof will be enclosed by sandblasted corrugated wire glass on the outer surface and white corrugated plastic on the inner surface with a 5-in. air space between. All structural steel will be faced with natural finished aluminum

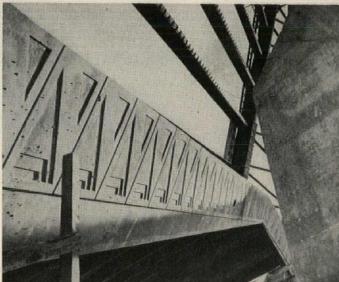
in triangular patterns.







Edge of bastion. Inverted pyramids (there will be seven on each leg of tripod) house lights which symbolize the Minorah or seven-branched candlestick of tradition



One of three great concrete chevron-shaped beams. Triangular decorative motif is used throughout the synagogue

Left: view toward roof peak showing basic structural tripod.





Above: non-vertical roof members are welded T beams which will also be faced with aluminum. Corrugated glass and plastic roofing panels may be seen on the lower right

Left: detail of one of the main supports. Its steel core is covered with perlite and faced with aluminum sections

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# SOLOMON R. GUGGENHEIM MEMORIAL

Mr. Guggenheim's desire to leave to his city something other than just the conventional museum lives after him—if it can find sympathetic appreciation of his often expressed and now manifested desire. His choice of myself as his architect was based upon the assumption that "the rectilinear frame of reference" for the exhibition of a painting referred more to the frame than to the painting.

He also (and with my complete sympathy) declared that a painting should be seen as nearly as possible as the painter saw it—in the continuation of artificial light managed to suit the exhibitor, and the natural daylight in which in all probability it was painted. To accomplish this, the museum in which to see a painting in an atmosphere suited to inspire the beholder with its beauty—meant a new order of architecture for this purpose.

That is why I went to work for Mr. Guggenheim—to give him a building creating an atmosphere instead of a frame in which to show the painting—incorporating it as a feature of the structure of the edifice in such manner as to reveal its properties of color and design more freely—less constricted and restricted than the bolt-upright canvas on a perpendicular wall under electric light from above.

It is true that most efforts to nature-day-light the artists' creations have not had sufficient study or intelligent modification. To do this under contributing factors in a building is this edifice provided for in The Solomon R. Guggenheim Will—a project he amply endowed and which has greatly increased since his death owing to the wise management of his trustees.

The subject, however, presents a problem which directly challenges the conventional museum director. But the stakes we play for are important. The success of the museum

means the liberation of the picture from the exploitation of the picture-broker and puts the painting more at ease according to its nature and the nature of the observer.

No mere drawings (or photographs either) convey this affair of "atmosphere." No model can show it or words express it. Only in the presence of it can fair judgment be uttered.

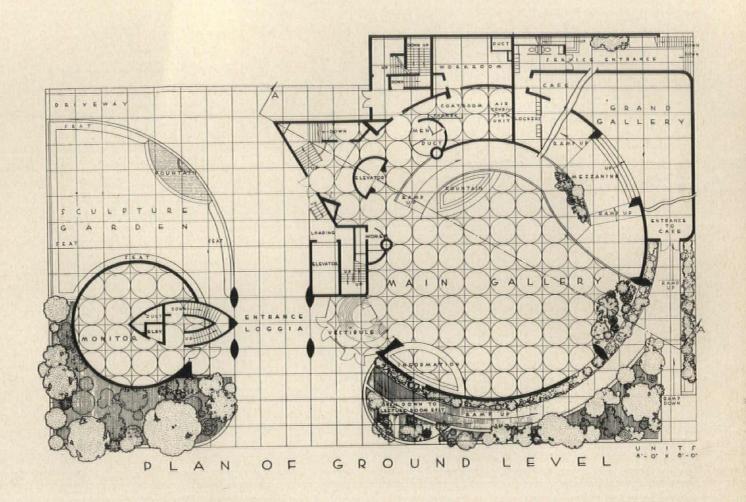
In the type of architecture represented there is no outside independent of the inside—the two are as one—organic—integral.

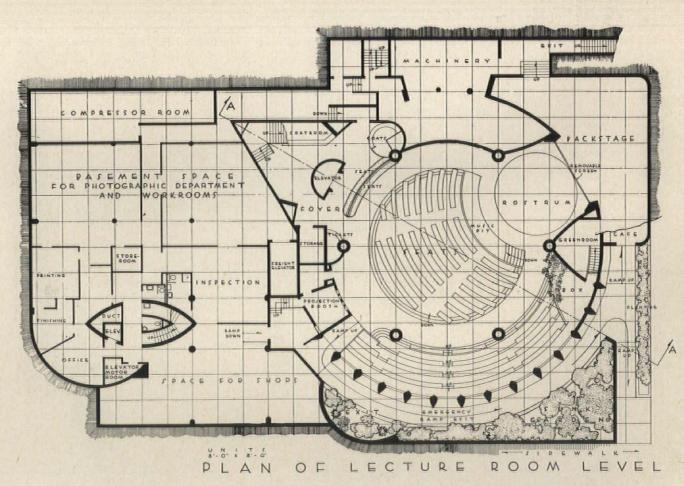
The trustees may or may not regard their duty as completed when the building stands there on the avenue proudly in the name of Solomon R. Guggenheim.

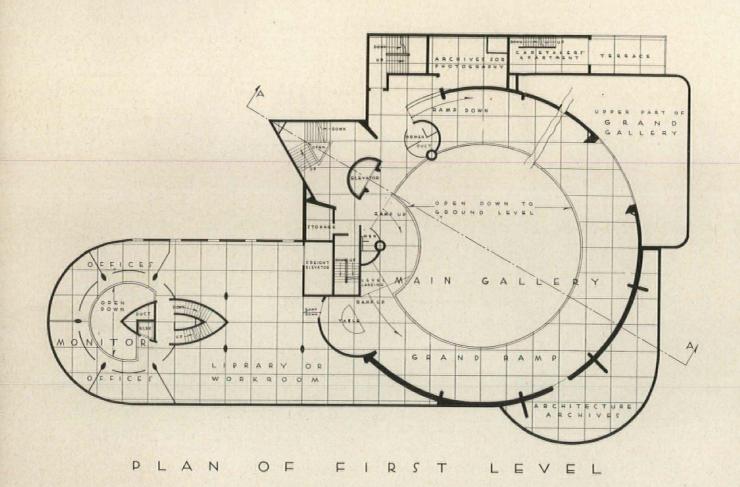
Mr. Guggenheim wanted his people to see a picture much as the artist himself saw it in changing light and whoever owned it might see it. But the very heart of his memorial as he saw it and left money to provide—might go out when the museum as a business came in.

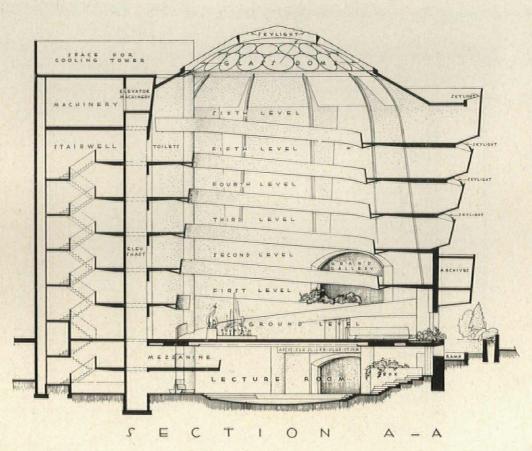
What the museum as a business of trading, collecting, circulating, exchange and purchase, shipping in and shipping out requires is an office building and Mr. Guggenheim left no money to build one. This can be added to the present memorial without harm if so decided.

What stands there now in his name is envisioned as a unique quiet retreat where the collection of the "non objective" (so called) art he believed in and made could be greatly extended. He saw his museum as it is built to his will—thanks to his trustees. He did not want an office building or anything like one and left no money to build one. He envisioned a museum pretty much as it stands. Unique, a genuine intelligent experiment in museum-culture where pictures could be better seen with less discomfort in an atmosphere peculiarly belonging to the free forms of art he loved for itself—a true friend of the future.



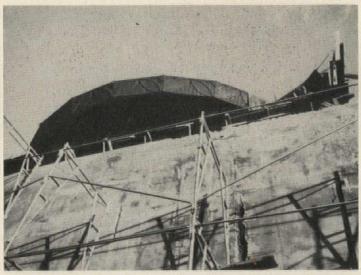




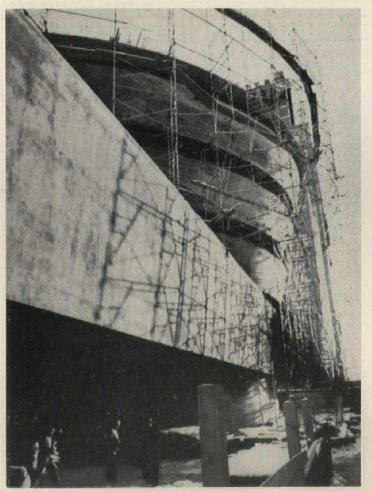


# Guggenheim Museum In Progress





Concrete frame to support skylight is being poured at top right. Monitor building (above) is tied to main gallery (below) by horizontal band



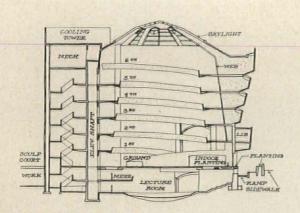
"For the first time, a building has been designed which destroys everything square, rectilinear. It destroys the rectilinear frame of reference. Gravity is used to assist in presentation of the pictures [descent down the ramp]. You see paintings under the same conditions in which the artists did them [as they would rest on an easel, illuminated by a mixture of daylight and artificial light]. It provides an open road for the painter who sees beyond what is being done now. The Guggenheim Museum does not stem from the dead hand of the past—but from the living sense of the present for the past."

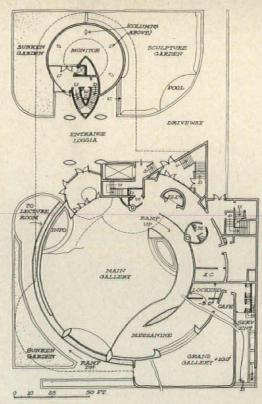
These are the words that Frank Lloyd Wright chose in telling ARCHI-TECTURAL RECORD the reasons for the spiral ramp in the main gallery, with domed skylight overhead, and ribboned skylight at the periphery; for the fin-shaped columns; for the several-faceted arched opening from which you look down into the grand gallery; for the semi-circular skylights in the grand gallery; for the opposing curves and sculptured windows of the lecture room ("A herald of all views that can be taken of the future of art, architecture, and religion. An advance agent of the fu-ture."); for the finned columns and tower in the Monitor building ("These shapes are the grammar of the whole museum.")

A tour through the Guggenheim Museum, six months ahead of completion, leaves several strong impressions. One is that it has an abundance of "Delight." Interest never flags because your eye moves from one handsome curve into another, and from one elegant space into another. (The concrete work is excellent with absolutely true curves and knife-like edges.) You know instantly that the building is Wright, and you are reminded of it by such trademarks as the frieze atop the Monitor building.

The ramp is widest at the top and decreases at a constant rate to its narrowest width at the first level. This prevents the ramp from having the monotony of a traditional arcade, and funnels attraction up toward the top skylight.

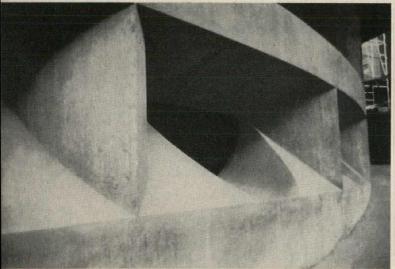
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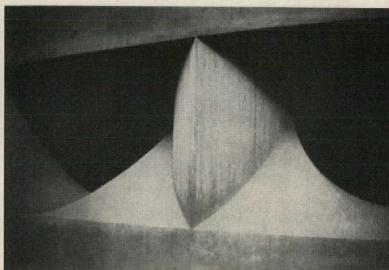




The Guggenheim Museum has two principal sections: the larger is the main gallery which spirals up six levels, and the smaller is a four-story administration wing, called the Monitor (for supervision of Museum activities). The ramp is widest at the top, and gets narrower uniformly as you go down. The cantilever section of the ramp is the same distance from the web-column on each level. Adjunct spaces include the lecture room which is below grade and the grand gallery which is entered from the first level ramp

Window openings in the outer wall of the lecture room are unmistakably Wright's handiwork. The fin-edged motif is repeated throughout the Museum: columns at the entrance, in the Monitor tower and in the Monitor columns. Window has three segments-one has glass, the other opaque filling



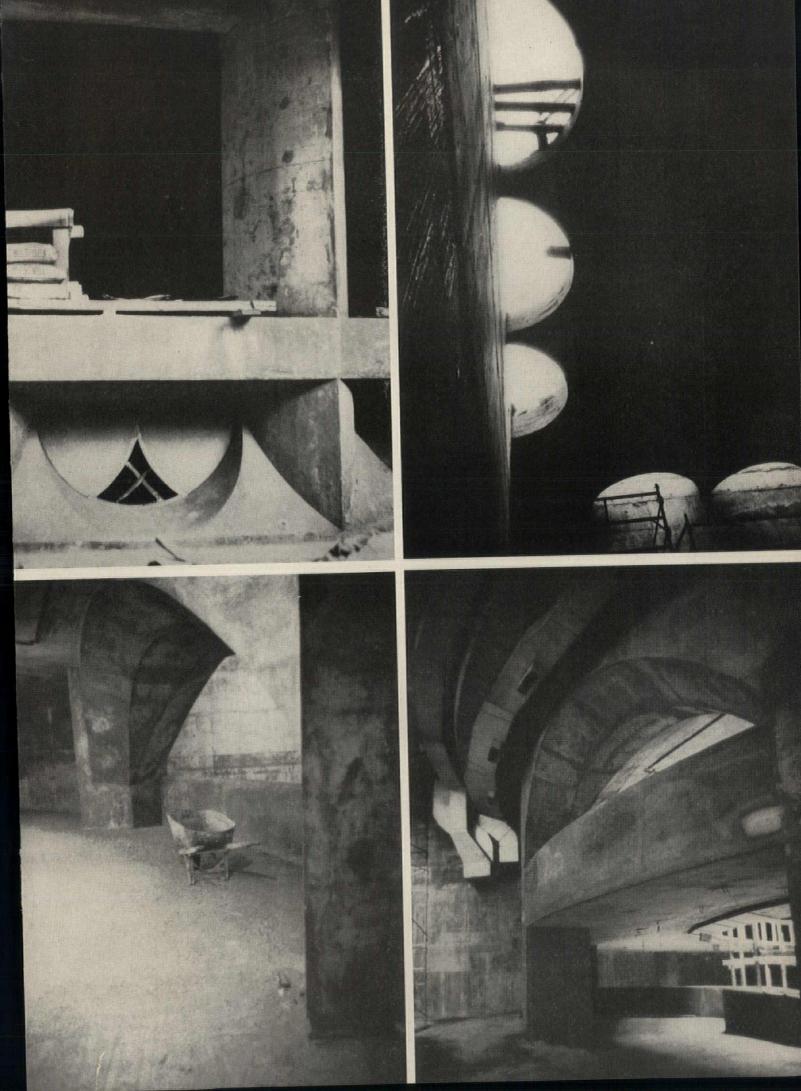


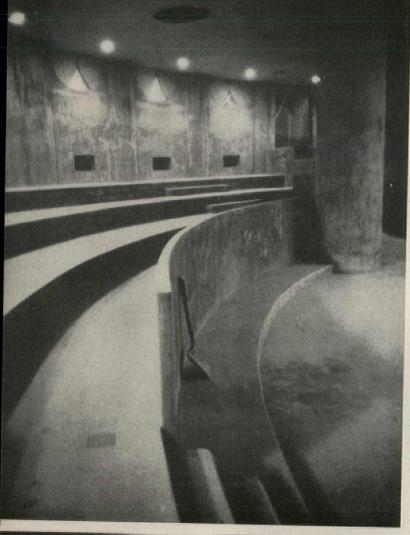
In two cases the finned dividers between curved windows of the lecture room continue on above ground level as columns and provide an opening from which the visitor can look out upon outdoor planting (across page, top left)

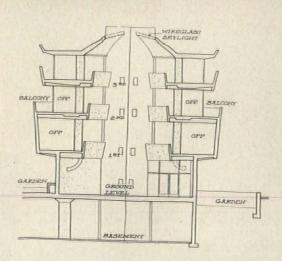
Daylight for the grand gallery, which is intended for large works of art, is let in through semi-circular openings in the roof (across page, top right)

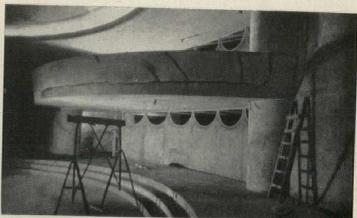
The visitor can look down on the grand gallery through an arched opening at second level (across page, bottom). Columns on either side of opening continue on down to define sides of the lecture room stage

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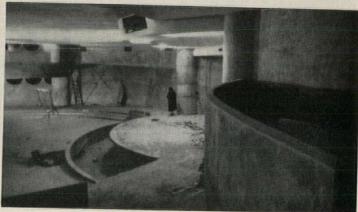








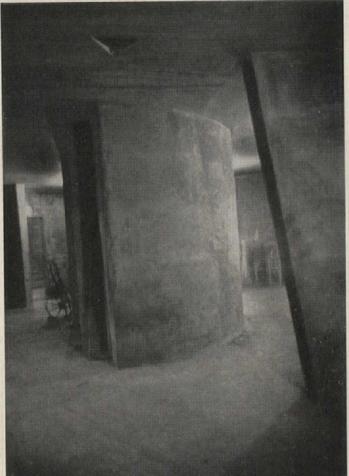




As the main gallery is distinguished by its spiral ramp, and the Monitor building by its finned tower and columns, so the lecture room is formed about a series of semi-circles: the stage and proscenium, the ground floor seating and the mezzanine, windows to the outside and openings in the partitions under the mezzanine. And in the ceiling is a circle of coved light

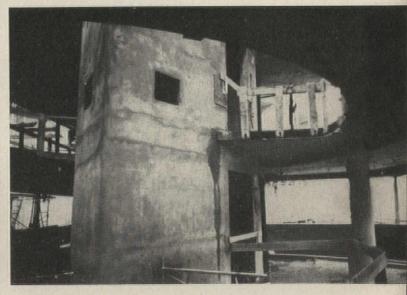
The lecture room can be reached from the outside by a ramp and from inside by elevator. The elevator shaft (photo right) also is semi-circular and runs from basement to slightly above the sixth level ramp, giving support to the ramps at each level. On each side of the elevator shaft are circular enclosures, running continuously between floors, for mechanical services and toilets. These enclosures intersect a pier which encloses vents





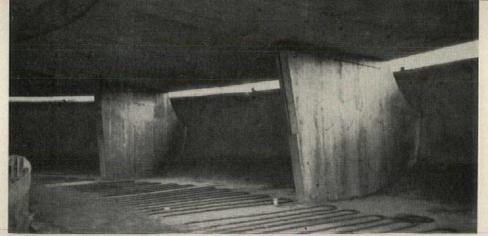
The finned shaft of the Monitor building (above and below) rises up to a skylight; contains stairs, toilet rooms and mechanical space. Rectangular openings were left in the shaft to pull back return air from offices and corridors

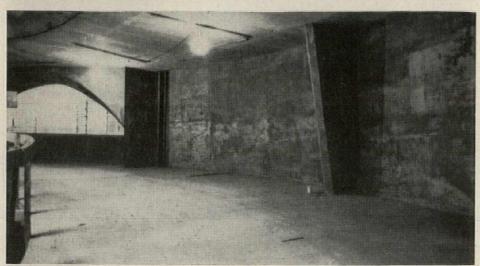
The ring-shaped floors are supported by fin-columns whose position lies either at inside of the ring or near its mid-point. For both cases a ring beam helps distribute the load and prevents shearing of columns through floor. At the first floor, load of columns is transmitted to brackets which in turn transfer this load to the cylindrical ground floor wall (see section drawing top of opposite page)

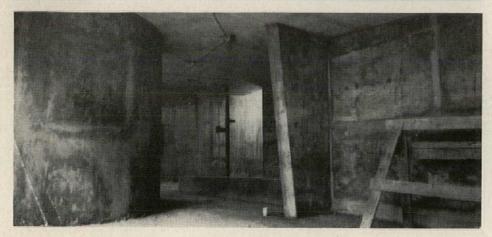


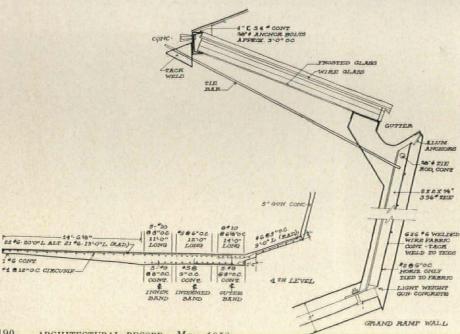
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We were rather curious about how the structure of the Museum works. Some time ago Wright talked of the structure as a spring . . . the ramp coiled in a logarithmic spiral . . . one continuous piece from top to bottom. Recently he described the outer wall as a "spine" and the floor as "ribs growing inward."

Ordinarily, very little is said about the actual structural behavior of some of our most prominent buildings. And while the mechanics of structure deserve careful attention. they are usually subservient to the principal factors that make the building a success visually. Perhaps for this reason, the creative people in architecture are accustomed to speak of "structure" quite expressively, but their thoughts pertain to how the structure works esthetically rather than actually, which may be a key to the way their concepts are developed.

Any tendency of the web-columns the vertical members of the main gallery—to tip inward is resisted by arch action of the spiral ramp (think of the ramp as an arch in the horizontal plane).

The webs are rather deep on most levels. This plus the fact that they are restrained by the roof and floor may reduce their flexibility and make the portion of the ramp between webs tend to act as a flat slab, and that projecting beyond the web as a cantilever, tied by reinforcement back to the slab section, which in turn is tied to the columns.

In the Monitor building, advantage is taken of several phenomena: compression ring and hoop action of the floor slabs, and the buckling resistance of the cylindrical ground floor wall. A very simple analogy for the ground floor would be a covered cylindrical tank with a hole in the middle of the roof. As the roof tries to drop down, its action is to pull in the cylindrical wall, but this is resisted by the compression ring behavior of the roof slab. This analogy pertains only to the ground floor level and floor above. At the second and third level floors, the slab cantilevers out from either side of a ring beam, the largest cantilever being toward the outside. The tendency here is to pull the ring apart.

Directly below individual supporting columns at first floor level are brackets which transfer the load to the cylindrical wall which by virtue of its curvature resists the eccentric loading. The brackets are further aided by the flat circular plate floor slab directly above.



### Pool For A Family Swimming Club

Wildwood Pool and Bath House Kings Point, Long Island

George Nemeny, Architect

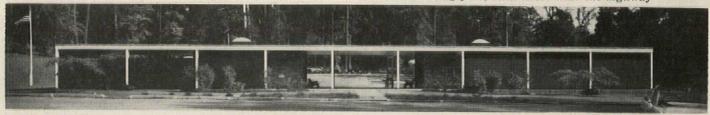
This inviting pool results from a design that shows a proper degree of restraint in handling, as well as a healthy respect for the nature of the attractive setting. The Douglas fir structural frame for the bath house is painted white; the vertical 4-in. boarding is stained dark brown; and there are screen walls of natural fieldstone. The 40 by 90-ft pool was constructed by spraying concrete on mesh.

The club is composed of 125 families who initially subscribed \$1000 each and now pay annual dues of \$200. The five employes (caretaker, lifeguards, etc.) are able to maintain and run the establishment on a high plane. Food is barred on the basis of commercialism and litter. Recently, \$3000 was spent for additional trees, landscaping, and equipment.





Aerial view shows arrangement; foreground, pump house; center, circular wading pool; bath house near the highway

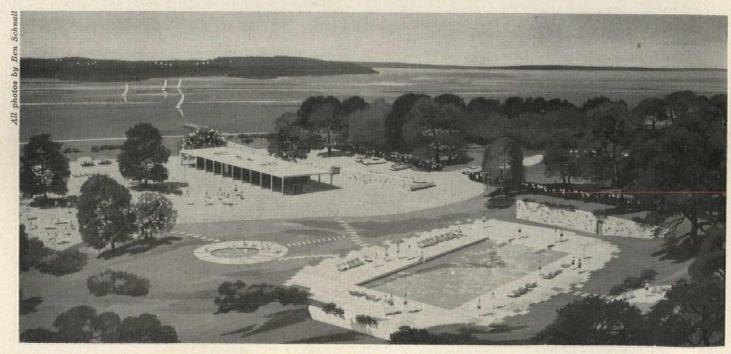


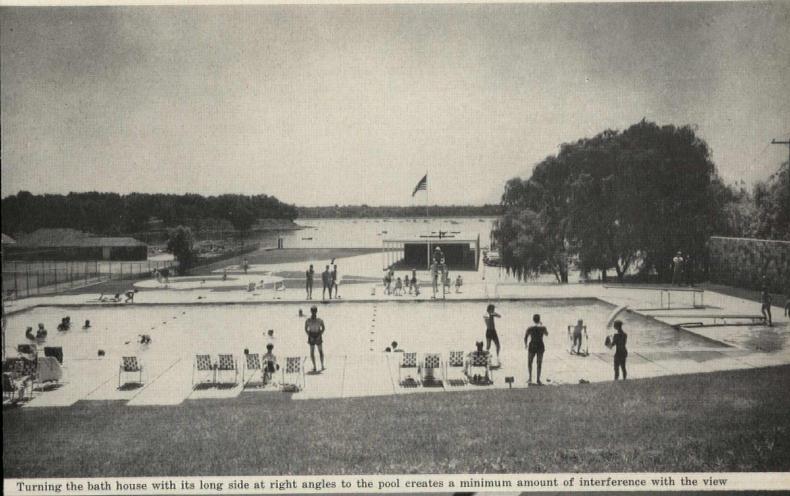
### Bathing Facilities For A Section Of A Community

Harbor Hills Pool and Bath House North Hempstead, Long Island

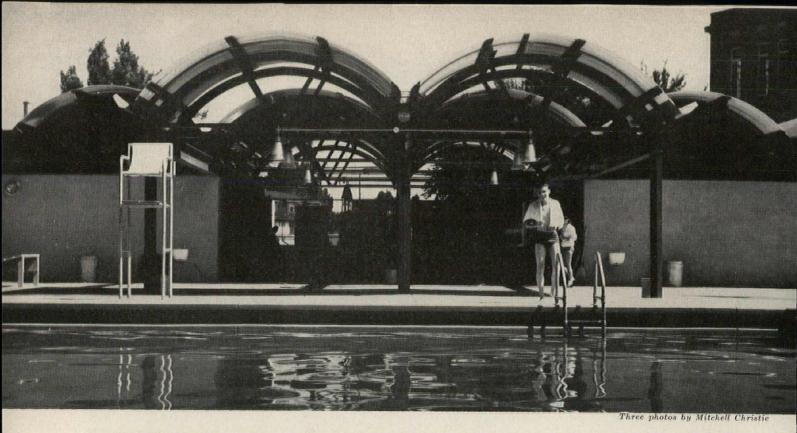
George Nemeny, Architect Emil Gruenberg Associates, Mechanical Engineers Frank Harwood, Structural Engineer Originally conceived and promoted by an association of residents in the Harbor Hills section of North Hempstead, this good-looking pool and bath house development was financed by taxing that section of the community. Over 200 families are eligible to use the facility. The open plan with units widely dispersed adds attractiveness to the scheme, located on Little Neck Bay, Long Island Sound.

The structural steel frame of the bath house is painted white; the louvered panels are of cypress, stained dark; the building's core is painted blue to match the pool walls and floor; the ceiling is water-proof plywood. The water supply for the underwater-lighted pool comes from city mains and is here filtered and recirculated.







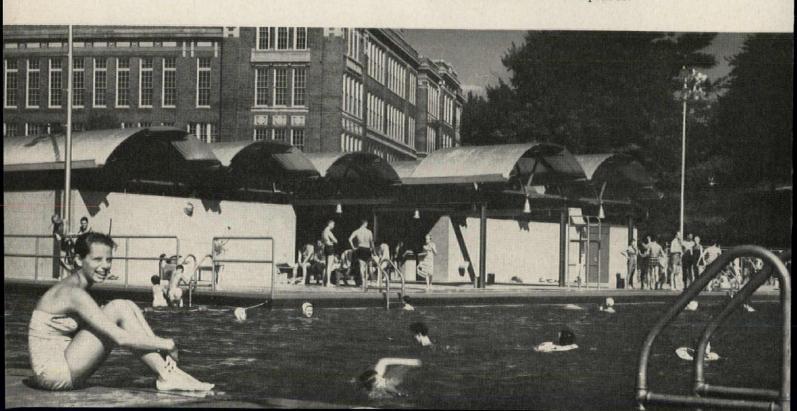


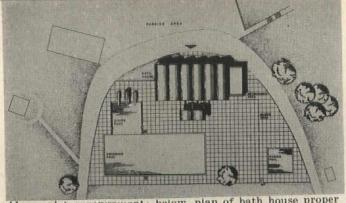
### Community Pool And Bath House For A Small City

Municipal Pool, St. Bernard, Ohio

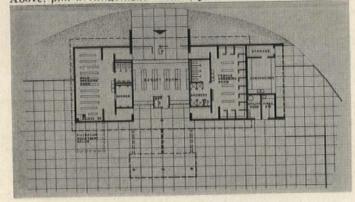
Charles Burchard, Architect A. M. Kinney, Consulting Engineers Dawson-Evans Construction Co., General Contractors Set in an existing public park which is centrally located and reached either by public or private transportation, this gaily colored bath house and pool add a festive note to their Ohio community. The venture—a paying proposition—has become a center of summer activities, possessing the good architectural grace to seem at home in its park.

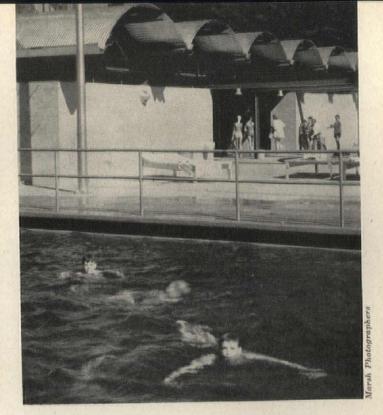
The flowing movement of the curved, aluminum arched roof contrasts effectively with the lengthy enclosing wall planes below. The result is a pleasing expression suitable to function. The corrugated arches are natural aluminum; the supporting steel is painted light blue and the block walls a soft orange; the pool walls and floor are a deeper blue; the paving is of natural concrete squares.





Above, plot arrangement below, plan of bath house proper

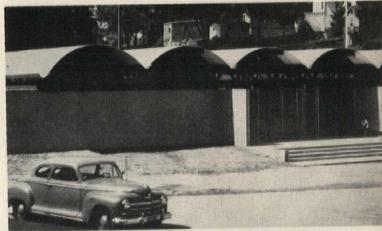




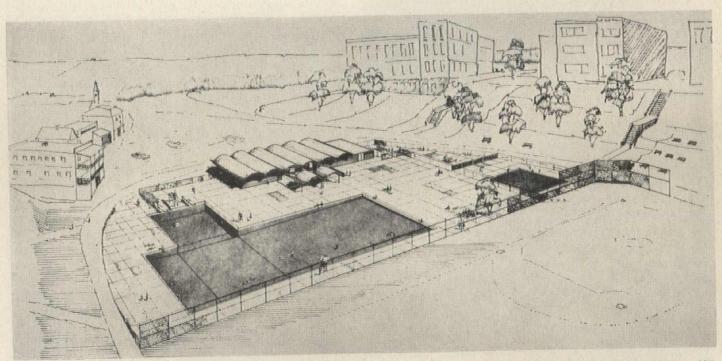
The main pool is T-shaped to separate swimmers from divers, providing greater pleasure for both. There is a separate wading pool for small children, fenced-in to prevent them from wandering into the deeper water. An extensive "beach" area is provided for sun-bathing and relaxation.

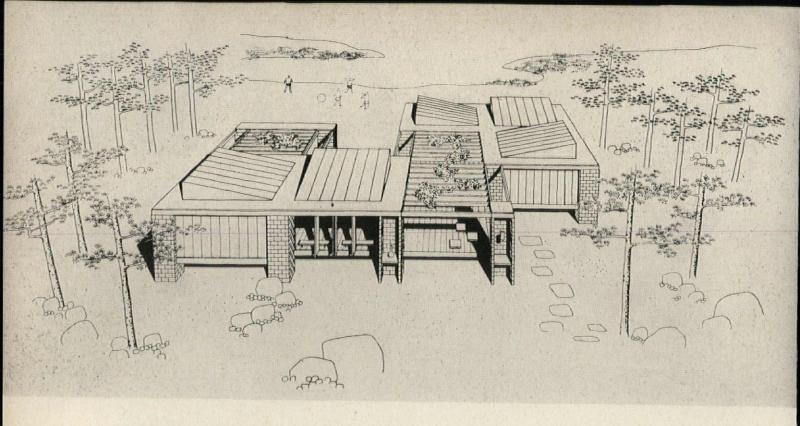
The bath house is devoted to checking, dressing rooms, toilets, showers; as well as a soft drink and luncheon concession, which can also be entered from outside the pool and serve non-swimmers using other recreational facilities nearby.

The installation provides a complete system of water supply, diatomaceous filtration, recirculation, and drainage, as well as a vacuum-cleaning apparatus for cleaning the pool.



Perspective, below, shows relationship of project to community





### Design For A Beach House And Studio

By Hanford Yang

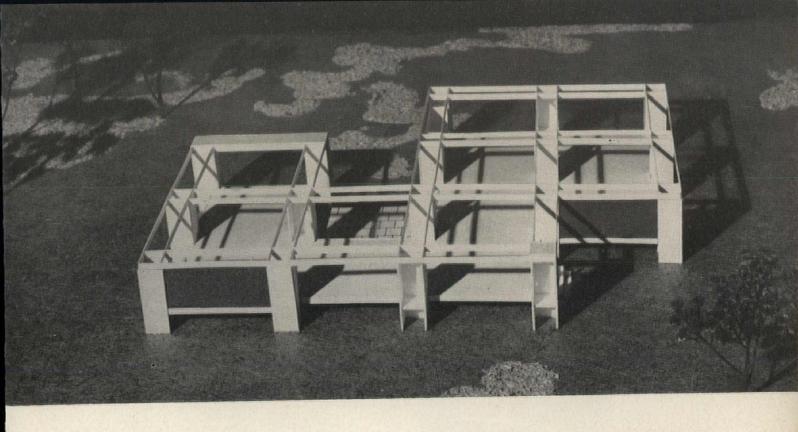
Of this unusual and ingenious indoor-outdoor scheme for the shore, Hanford Yang says, "After studying the nature of the spaces involved, it became clear that the house and studio were different kinds of things. The studio—which should be a separate structure where one can be alone to think or work or walk about or just be quiet; and the house—for living and relaxation. In the house one can read, or greet visitors, or enjoy music, or sit by the fire after a long, active day on the beach.

"To bring these two kinds of space together so they become one, they must share a common area—a bridge that will link them. Hence, a platform with a louvered roof was introduced as their tie. The wood louvers overhead provide a place where greens can grow, and furnish shade for the platform.

"A series of 3 ft. 8 in. by 3 ft. 8 in. U-shaped masonry piers forms the basis of the construction system. These piers are turned in various ways as the particular space demands. They not only support the roof, but become also a series of small rooms, adequate for mechanical installations such as shower, toilet, heater room, etc. In addition, they are used to enclose a fireplace, a closet, a barbecue grill, bookshelves, Hi-Fi, and indoor or outdoor storage space. These masonry piers are truly the servants of the entire scheme.

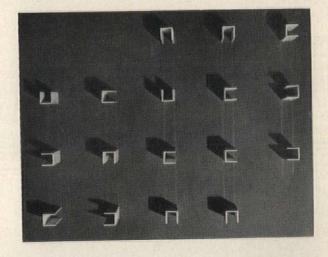
"The center portion of each roof panel, defined by four piers, is tilted up 3 ft. on one of its sides to form a series of clerestories which face in various directions to furnish the light required for the different spaces within.

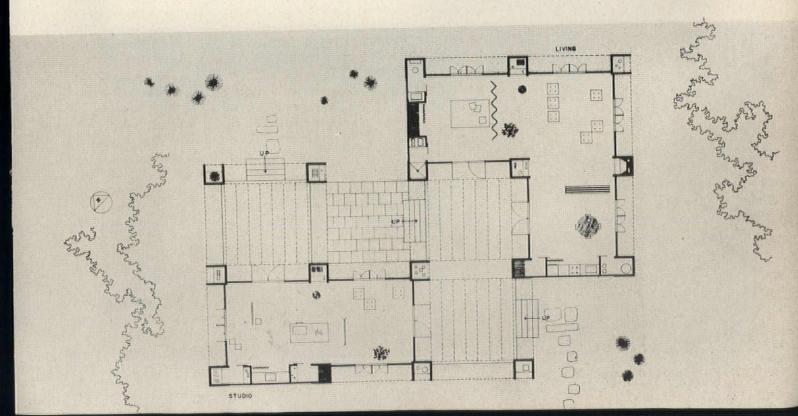
"The design for the building is primarily an attempt to create plasticity and freedom within a strongly disciplined structural order. It is a study of the play of forms in the bright sunlight of a beach."



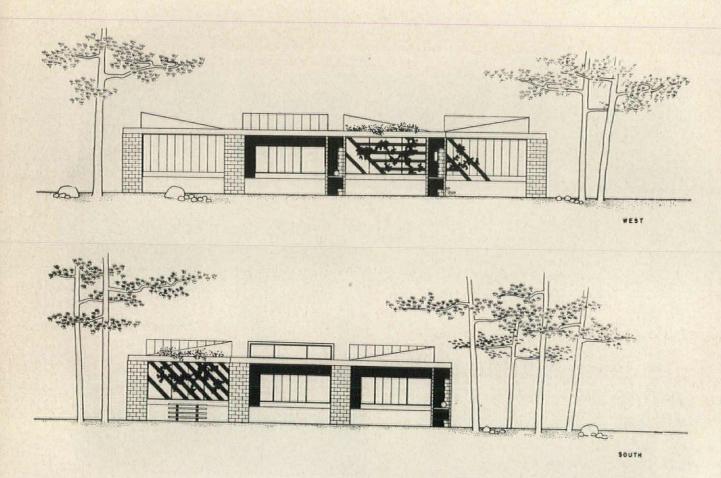
"This proposed beach house and studio has an affinity with classical Mediterranean architecture. The pleasant associations, remembered symbols and overtones thereby aroused, add immensely to the enjoyable new, which is also present. This is the great tradition of architecture."

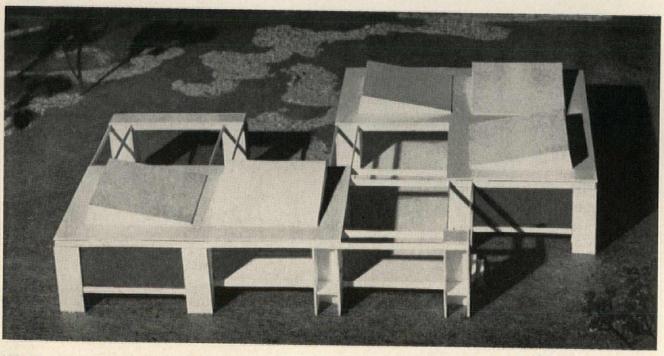
-Paul Rudolph





### Beach House by Hanford Yang







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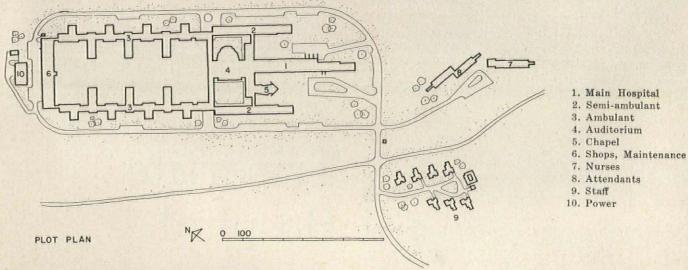
# Tripartite Hospital for Chronics

John J. Kane Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa. Owners: Allegheny County Institution

Architects: Button and McLean -Mitchell and Ritchey

Engineers: Cook & Zern (Structural); Dzubay and Bedsole (Plumbing); Paul A. Edwards (Heating & Ventilating); E. T. Wiesman (Electrical); Simonds & Simonds (Landscape). Food Service Consultant: Howard Post. General Contractor: Sherry-Richards Company





#### Therapeutics of Surroundings

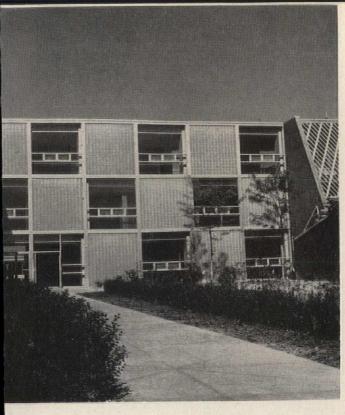
A non-institutional environment conducive to the rehabilitation of patients—the vast majority of them well advanced in years—was the goal in the design of this 2100-bed hospital eight miles from the center of Pittsburgh. Toward this end the hospital was planned as three basic units: a main building, eight stories in height, housing the non-ambulatory patients and all the usual hospital facilities; two convalescent wings of three stories each; and two rows of ambulatory dormitories facing a landscaped court.

Dedicated last February, the new hospital is almost sure to be a pace-setter in the current drive for better care and increased rehabilitation of the aged.

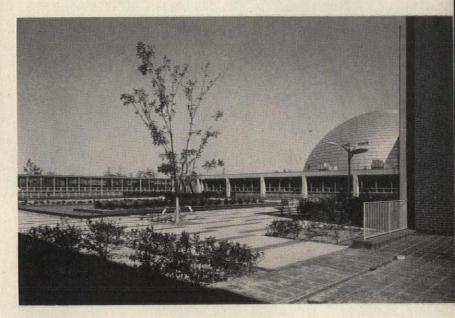
John J. Kane Hospital

It is, happily, not even a remote cousin of the "Old Folks' Home," although an estimated 70 per cent of its patients will be medically indigent persons over 65. Its physical structure, the services it supplies, and its health-stimulating routines are the result of pioneering by the staff of the Woodville Institution, its predecessor, which, despite inadequate facilities, rehabilitated 80 per cent of its patients at least to the point of ambulation within the hospital, and actually returned 28 per cent to home and job.

The therapeutic value of a pleasant outlook played an important role in all phases of planning and design. A hilltop site with a broad view on all sides was



Opposite page: centrally located among the buildings are a dome-shaped auditorium covered in aluminum and a pyramidal chapel with a roof of molded copper, exterior walls of green mosaic tile and windows of yellow, purple and clear glass (photo below, right). Large main building is faced with molded and flat aluminum on three sides, with blue terra cotta on fourth side. Other buildings combine brick, stone, slate and glass

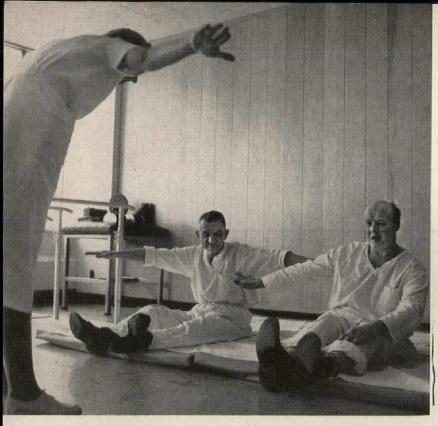




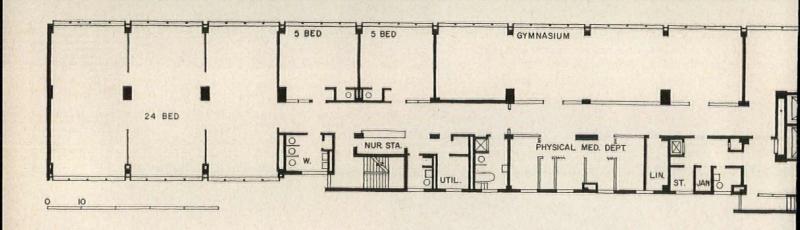
the starting point; scale, form, textures and color were used to make the buildings themselves interesting and attractive; parks, shallow pools and garden courts enrich the grounds. Glass-walled corridors and 6500 windows bring a tempting view of all this into the wards.



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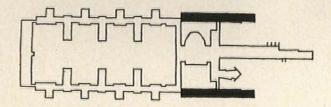




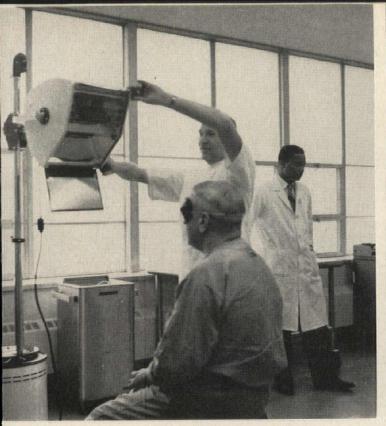


#### The Road Back

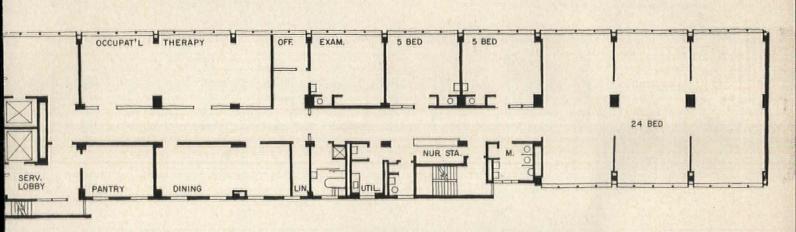
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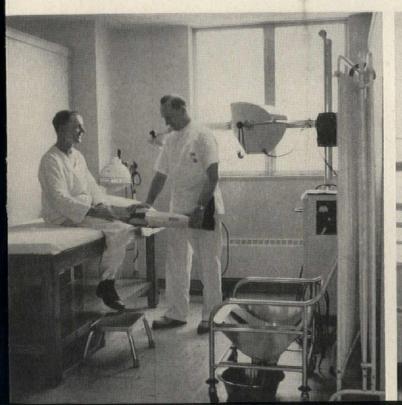


The rehabilitation department, on the fifth floor of the main building, is easily the most impressive part of the hospital. The extensive facilities represent the most advanced thinking in this field of medicine and provide all forms of treatment. The examination room contains diathermy and ultraviolet treatment equipment; the physical medicine rooms have moist air equipment to increase circulation, whirlpool baths, ultraviolet and infrared and ultrasound equipment. The main rehabilitation area (gymnasium) has tilt-tables, exer-cycles, parallel bars, exercise mats, steps, and walkers and eventually also will include shoulder wheels and ladders. In the occupational therapy area patients will have their choice of wood working tools, sewing materials, etc., and will be encouraged to use them constructively. The dining room serves a dual purpose: rehabilitation patients not only are given their meals there but at the same time are taught table manners and exercise their fingers, hands and arms; they also are urged to walk to the diningroom.

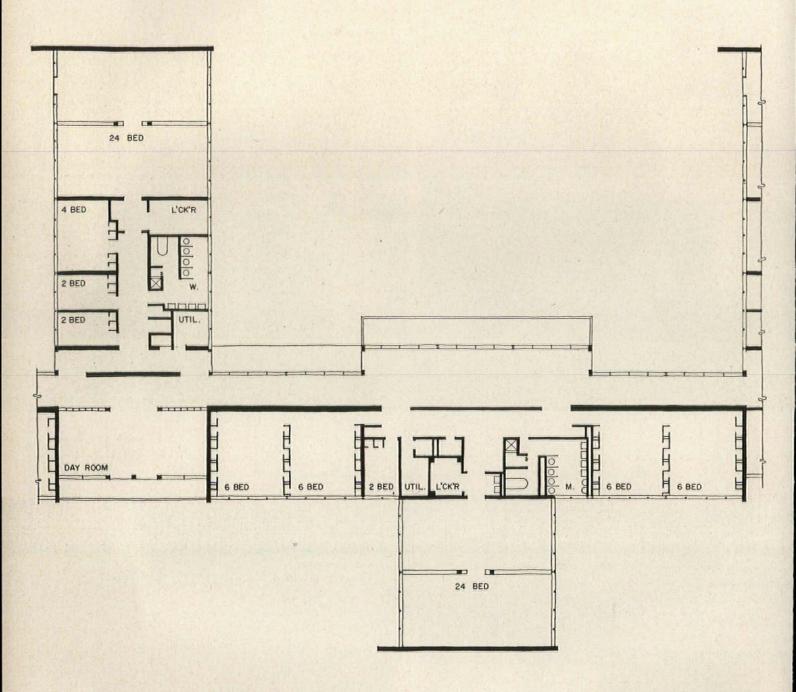






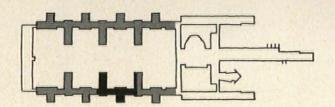






#### **Attractive Wards**

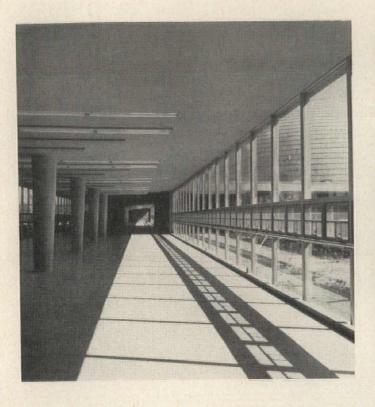
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The general wards for the ambulatory and semiambulatory patients are designed to give a feeling of privacy. Individual closets, private bed lights and color schemes do much to eliminate what the architects refer to as the "institutional curse."

A color consultant was retained for 14 months to work out the color schemes. Basic therapeutic colors are used with accents supplied by furniture, floor tile and lights. Color is also used as a direction system: patients who might wander will be able to find their way back by using the various colors as a guide.

There are day rooms and solariums handy to all wards, providing attractive places for patients to gather. Other morale-boosting facilities include a large auditorium (see page 206), an interdenominational chapel, a canteen, library, and a combination beauty and barber shop.









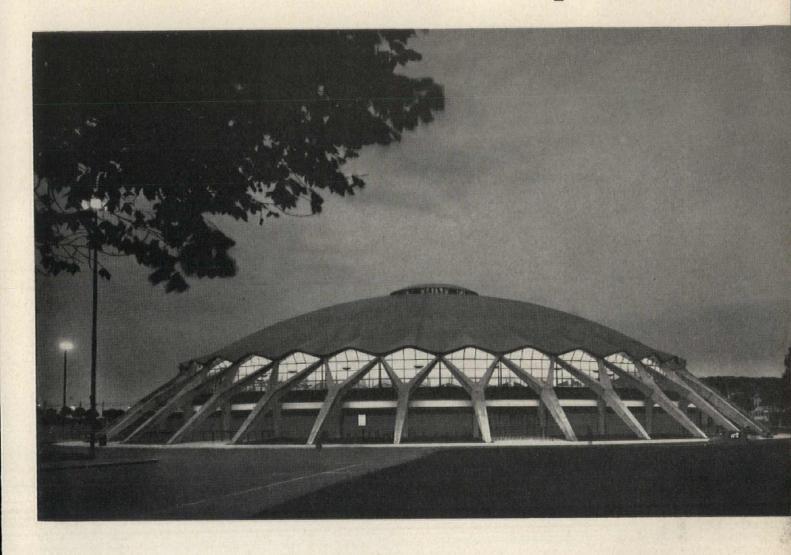
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Top: laboratories, like all other behind-the-scene facilities of the hospital, are well equipped and provide pleasant, efficient work areas for the staff. Center: one kitchen serves the entire hospital. Mobile steam tables, drawn by electrically operated tugs, carry meals to 17 widely-separated serving pantries where trays are readied. In an emergency, kitchen could supply subsistence meals to over 10,000 persons a day. Bottom: circular auditorium has 100-ft diameter, is formed of overlapping aluminum plates in bee-hive pattern, seats 750. Third balcony is seatless to permit wheel chair and bed patients to be brought in

### Amphitheaters



# OLYMPIC ARENA

Rome, Italy, for the 17th Olympiad, 1960

In this domed Palazzetto dello Sport, concrete has been shaped by Nervi to speak eloquently of structure, of craftsmanship, and of its own nature as a material. The 194-ft dome—actually designed as a ribbed membrane—seems to rest very lightly on its 36 Y-shaped supporting trestles; and this airy quality is furthered—both inside and out—by the continuous band of glazing at its support points. The interior effect is strongly enhanced by the lacy elegance of the rib pattern, which is both structural and decorative.

The circular inner hall, 192 ft in diameter, will seat 5000 for boxing and wrestling, or 4000 for tennis and basketball. The dome's apex rises 70 ft above the playing surface, which lies 10 ft below the plane of the surrounding grade level. The perimetral ring is devoted to ancillary facilities and living quarters for the caretaker.

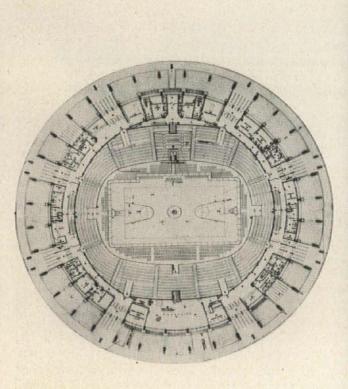
The dome was built of 1620 precast, reinforced concrete coffers, which were formed in very accurately made and precisely finished cement molds. During construction, the coffers were supported on a series of annular rings while their connecting ribs and the 1½-in. membrane were poured in place. With insulation and roofing added, the thickness of the dome comes to 4¾ in. The protected central eye contains the PA speakers as well as units for ventilation and floodlighting.

The gracefully tapered Y-trestles—tangent to the curve of the dome—carry the stresses axially downward to a substructure consisting of a prestressed compression ring 276 ft in diameter and 8 ft wide. Such a construction not only provides great rigidity, but also reduces the bearing pressure on the earth—in this case to 820 lb per sq ft.

The arena was built economically, its cost totaling \$8.25 per sq ft. Surrounding elements such as passageways, gardens, outside illumination, and approaches were provided by the city of Rome. Annibale Vitellozzi, Architect; Pier Luigi Nervi, Engineer.



The 1620 precast coffers were supported on annular rings while the membrane and ribs were poured







The elegantly patterned dome appears to float due to the continuous ring of glazing at is support points



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### COLLEGE ARENA

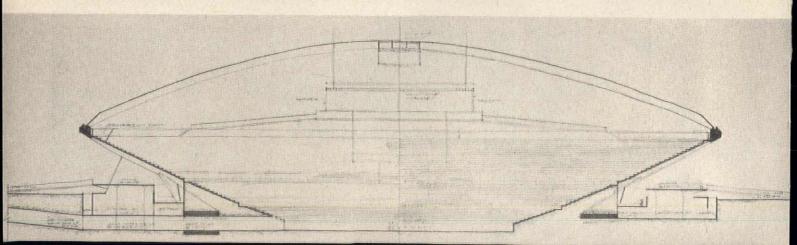
Assembly Hall, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, Ill.

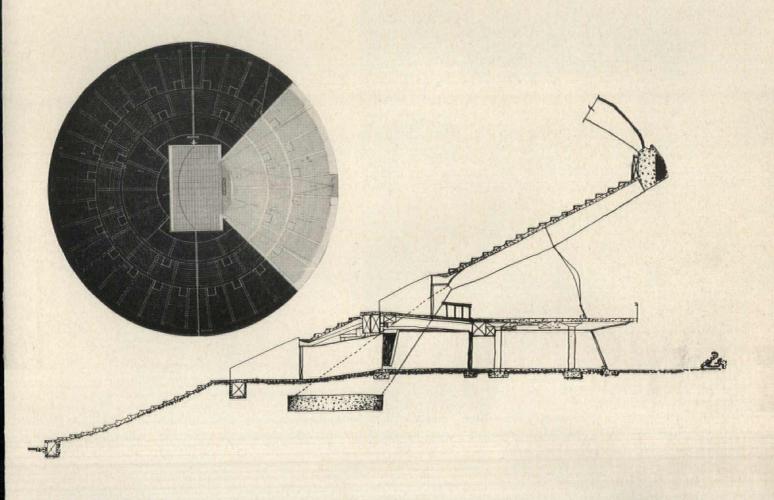
This interesting and versatile structure—designed to seat 20,000 for speeches, 18,000 for basketball, or 4000 for theatrical performances—is ingeniously planned to provide accommodations for a variety of activities. It will contain a 50 by 90 gridiron suspended 85 ft above the floor, fully equipped to fly scenery. The stage house for the performing arts will be enclosed by hangings, as will the quarter-circle seating segment for such events.

The structure is a 400-ft ribbed concrete saucer, half buried in the earth for easy access to the seating mid-point and the great glazed exposition ring and lobby surrounding it. The saucer's outer edge is a

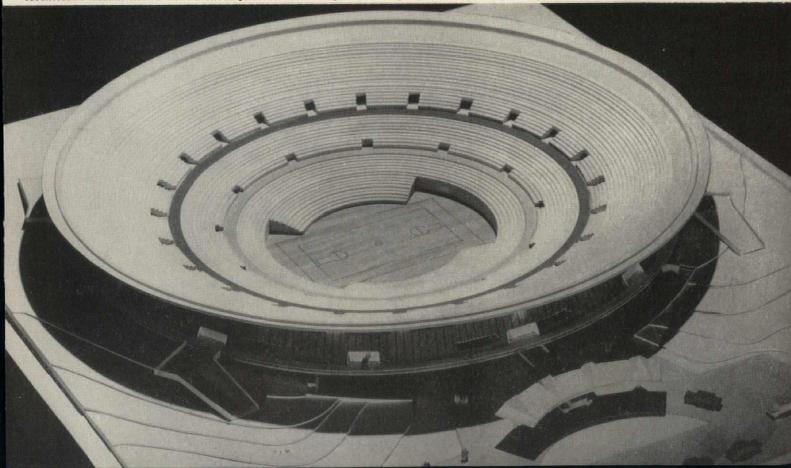
prestressed compression ring designed to carry the stresses from the folded thin-shell dome above. Insulation board will be used as form liner for the dome, which will be plastic coated for weather protection. The architects and manufacturers are working together on a special design for bucket seats of laminated plastic reinforced by glass fibers, which could be made in any color.

Harrison & Abramovitz, Architects; Amman & Whitney, Structural Engineers; Syska & Hennessy, Mechanical-Electrical Engineers. Consultants: Bolt, Beranek & Newman, Acoustical; Ben Schlanger, Seating. Ernest Stouffer, University Architect.



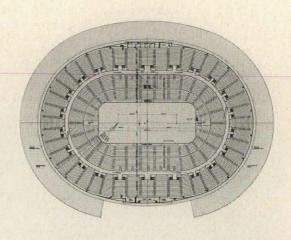


Architect's sketch above shows three-part structural system: compression ring, hinged supports, and thin-shell dome



### Amphitheaters





## CIVIC ARENA

Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena, Exposition Park, L.A.

Unlike the preceding examples, this huge arena will be framed in steel; the 318,000 sq ft area being spanned by trusses and thus completely free of columns. Bids for the structure, recently received, were well under the budget and construction is proceeding. The inner hall will seat 30,000 for conventions, 19,000 for boxing, 18,000 for basketball.

The lower level will serve the necessary ancillary functions and will be reached by ramps from a sunken forecourt. It is planned to landscape the forecourt so it may be used for outdoor displays. Access to the arena area proper is designed so large exhibits (such as houses) may be brought directly in for expositions, etc.

The entire building will be air conditioned and will contain a central refrigeration and heating plant. For hockey contests, there will be a permanent ice rink, 85 by 200 ft in size.

Welton Becket & Associates, Architects; Brandow & Johnson, Structural Engineers.



# SECONDARY SCHOOLS

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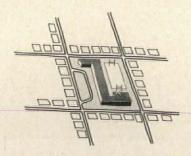
All across the land high schools are much in the local newspapers; if a town doesn't have some squabble about a new high school it's definitely not in the swim. So this study deals with high schools—some junior, some senior; deals with issues very much in the air in local PTA meetings.

John O. Simonds, Pittsburgh landscape architect, starts off the study with a graphic presentation of the many do's and don't's about the development of the school site. While he makes his point in check list form (to save time for a busy professional audience) he is really pleading with a great sense of urgency for the thoughtful planning of site development as part of the basic parti. So often the use of the good site—and generally speaking schools are getting wonderful sites these days—is just sort of assumed in the early planning. When later serious attention is given to it, it frequently is too late, for the funds were not allotted, or perhaps the scheme for the building has made decisions in a negative manner.

With their grand sites, high schools now are usually done in some variation of the campus plan. There are several variations here, ranging from a compact plan that would scarcely qualify at all, to several that definitely do. It is interesting to note that all of them here stress *use* of the court space delineated by the disposition of buildings, for play or quiet areas, or for just plain "milling" and social exchange. Perhaps what this means is that the campus plan is beginning to mature.

EMERSON GOBLE

### No!



# Check List for Site Planning

by John Simonds \*

An approach drive is not just a line or double line drawn on a map or plan. An approach drive must be considered as a dynamic line of force. To design the approach to a school the planner must sense the force and roar and danger of a stream of cars rushing past along the highway. The spot of most potential danger on any school property is the throat of the approach drive. Here to minimize accidents ample site distances must be assured. Since the approach drive often establishes the character of the school it should be planned with infinite care and should be considered in itself a complete design element. It should be studied in relation to the discharge of students, to public access for evening games or programs, to service areas and to parking.

- 1. "Bargain" school sites, selected without professional guidance.
- 2. "After thought" school site development which is illogical, seldom realized, and more expensive.
- 3. The hidden, buried or corner-wise school. The new school should be conceived as a symbol and center of community life. As such it should present the best possible appearance from the total community, the boundary streets and approach drives.
- 4. The "surprise" drive entrance with its danger of short sight lines and "turn-in" and "turn-out" accidents.
- 5. Unnecessary traffic intersections.
- Walk-drive crossings and pedestrian use of drives.
- 7. Vehicular backing.
- 8. Parking in traffic lanes.
- 9. Front door delivery. Routine delivery of materials and supplies is a service function and should be inconspicuous.
- Constricted walkways and approaches. Don't fight the erosion of students in motion. Provide more area to absorb their impact.

\*SIMONDS AND SIMONDS LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS PLANNERS

### Yes!

- A. Elementary School
- B. Junior High School
- C. Senior High School
- D. Nature Science Museum
- E. Football Field Stadium F. Skøte, Swim, Dance
- G. Community-Civic
- H. Row Housing
- I. Apartment Tower
- J. Residential Park
- K. Shopping

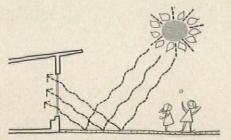
- 1. Coordinated School-Park program.
- 2. Site selected on basis of comparative analysis, permitting long range expansion, and accommodating all logical school site development.
- 3. Safe and pleasant vehicular approach drive.
- 4. Convenient parking for administration staff visitors, auditorium and gym, possible dual purpose mass parking area.
- 5. Efficient service and unloading areas.
- 6. Summer play and child care facilities.
- 7. Parklike walk systems related to entrance court, recreation areas and outdoor student lounge areas.
- 8. Out of door classroom areas. Outdoor library and fine arts court.
- 9. Kindergarten play court.
- 10. Soft-fall paving under high-climb play structures.
- 11. Positive drainage and tight ground cover for erosion control.
- 12. Play areas designed and equipped for the age groups that will use them.



We are all familiar with the monumental city school of our childhood with its bleak facade and massive two story entrance that overwhelmed, oppressed, and depressed us. The usual approach was a narrow strip of drab concrete stretching from street curb to and through the yawning entrance doors. It would seem that we were expected to march three-by-three in orderly procession down this narrow causeway. Children don't work that way. Children approaching their school each day swarm in upon it from all directions and make their way in tumult and force in the general direction of the entrance doors. By nature they must mill about and blow off steam while they wait for the entrance bell. Recognizing this fact the wise planner will design the entrance courts to receive and absorb this impact. He will plan an entrance court to attract and receive children, for the entrance court will give the child his first and perhaps most lasting impression of his school. Here is a logical place for the flagpole, as a symbol of patriotism. Here is a place also for sculpture, bas-relief decorative panels that will give pleasure and inspiration. The entrance court should receive the children, should please them, calm them and nudge them gently toward and through the building entrance.



The kindergarten play court, for instance, with its sandboxes, play sculpture, miniature flagpole, game areas and work tables under a widespreading tree . . . should always be an integral part of kindergarten life. This is, in effect, the veritable "child-garden", for the child seems to flourish here. This out-of-door space is his playground, garden, laboratory. This is his depot where he is left by bus driver or parent or where he amuses himself until they come for him. Seen from his classroom window this play garden with foliage dripping in summer rain, or with winter snow capping its bird feeding station, is a place of constant wonder, a very special part of his world, a world of fascination that every school planner should take pains to create.



Any school library would be enriched by a walled or semi-enclosed library court with shaded seating for study and reading. Such an area might well be combined with an outdoor space for the Fine Arts Department, with specimen trees, a pool or fountain, and sculpture, murals or mosaics by the students.

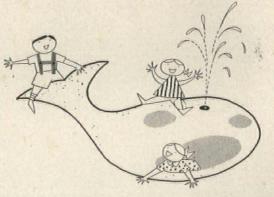
Students instinctively seek such pleasant outdoor spaces where they can gather and "shoot the breeze". Such areas seldom happen by accident, they must be planned into a school.

- 11. A single unclassified play area where small children are a nuisance and older children a hazard.
- 12. Unfenced play areas close to drives.
- 13. Sharp objects, edges and corners, jagged fence fabric. Hard or abrasive playground paving.
- 14. Attractive nuisances, such as pools. pits, unprotected machinery, low roofs etc.
- 15. Inadequate storm drainage and consequent erosion.
- 16. Excessive maintenance as handmowing, hand trimming, detailed painting, etc.
- 17. Overplanting, the mark of a good planting is its simplicity.
- 18. Heat-reflecting near window walls.
- 19. Smoke, proximity to railroad noise and danger. Heavy boundary traffic, offsite nuisance and hazards such as open pits, trestles, bridges, etc.
- 20. Unnecessary facilities. A junior high school track for instance is often an expensive mistake. Tennis courts are an asset only if they are used. Provide only such out of door classrooms and areas as will improve the function of the school and create a more pleasant environment.

### Yes!

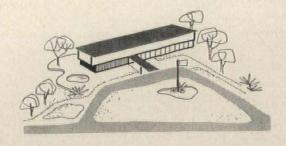
- 13. Scientifically designed and fully equipped game courts.
- 14. The athletic field complete with football, baseball and track facilities if, and only if, they are needed and will be maintained.
- 15. Imaginative and stimulating play equipment and apparatus.
- 16. A simple planting planned to complement and accentuate the best features of the school building site, to articulate the site program (roads, play areas, service screens etc.,) to provide an optimum micro climate (shade, summer coolness, winter wind protection), and requiring a minimum of maintenance.
- 17. A reforestation program. An arboretum.
- 18. Community facilities, as picnic areas, amphitheaters, passive recreation.
- After school and evening recreation. Night lighting.
- 20. Attractive entrance courts.
- 21. Expansion.
- 22. A complete school and site development in a parklike setting.

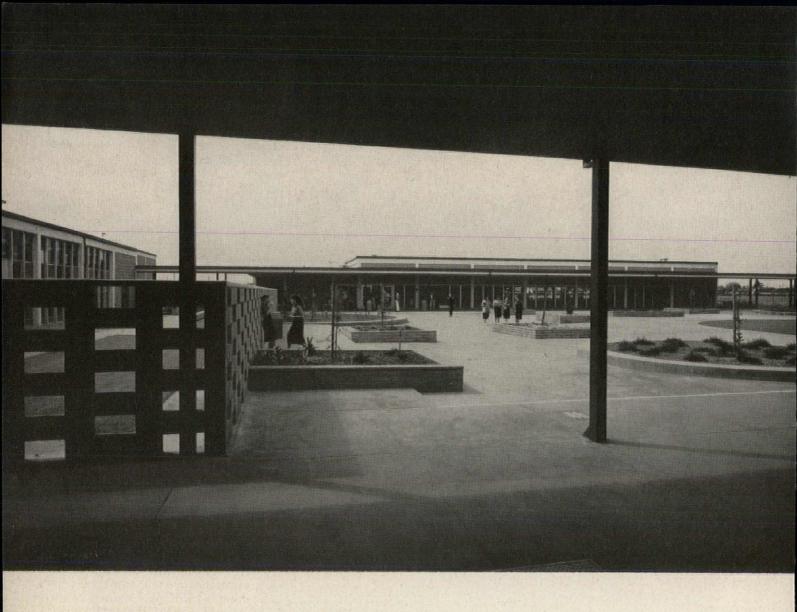
A playground should be a pleasant place where children can have a riproaring good time and at the same time learn to co-ordinate, cooperate, compete and create. The school playground is an important factor in a child's metamorphosis from primitive savage to a civilized human being. This isn't a gentle process and often leaves its scars. A playground planner should at least provide the best possible environment for this development.



Children love curious shapes, bright colors, and having a highly developed tactile sense are quick to notice pleasant forms and textures. They are prone to let their imaginations soar, and tend to build the stuff of their dreams with anything at hand. They quickly tire of the fixed, the static.

Plant materials must articulate rather than confuse the site diagram. In treating an approach drive the planting is designed to mark and "explain" the approach drive entrance, reinforce the sweep of a curve, anchor a turn, emphasize intersections, open to desirable views, screen service areas, frame the entrance courts, and to create throughplant forms, texture and color a series of volumes pleasant in scale and character and well related to the school.





### Courts Give Abundantly Varied Outdoor Space

In the generously laid out Lodi high school, an elaborate system of courtyards lends itself to a variety of student activities. The core of the system lies in the large central court, designed to serve as general "milling space" and as an extension of the cafeteria, which opens off it; it serves both as the school-hours social center as well as an outdoor eating place.

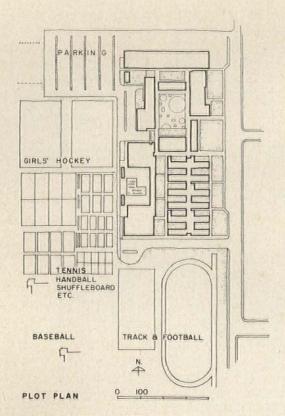
In the main court, but not of it, the small library court is set off by a pierced block wall, separating this function from both the noise and the traffic. A small court located behind the home economics classrooms is used for fashion shows and experiments in outdoor living. The foliage, as it increases, will provide muchneeded shade in these courts and in the patios in the classroom building.

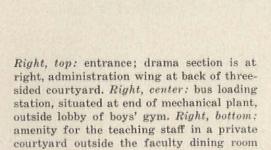
The organization of the plan, say the architects, was based on "mass movements" within the school; thus, the gymnasiums are closest to the academic classrooms, and the noise attendant on physical activities, particularly from the playing fields and the swimming pool, is broken by the mechanical plant and the long court which separates it from the classrooms. The "lighter-loaded" functions—lunchroom, homemaking, shops, crafts—have been placed on the other side of the main court from the general classrooms, which are arranged in "fingers" along a double-loaded corridor. Some of the shops, the music building and the swimming pool are scheduled for future construction.

Union High School, Lodi, Cal.

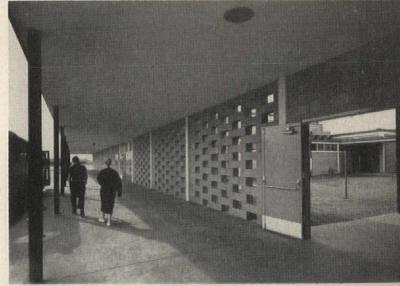
Architects: Falk & Booth

Chief of Design: David Sokoloff; Chief Draftsman: Edward A. Krajcar; In Charge of Project: Richard Heidloff; Acoustical Consultant: Dariel Fitzroy; Electrical Engineering: The Coddington Company; Plumbing, Heating and Ventilating Engineering: Vandament & Darmsted; Site Engineering: Joseph A. Cotteral, Falk & Booth; General Contractor: The Pacific Company

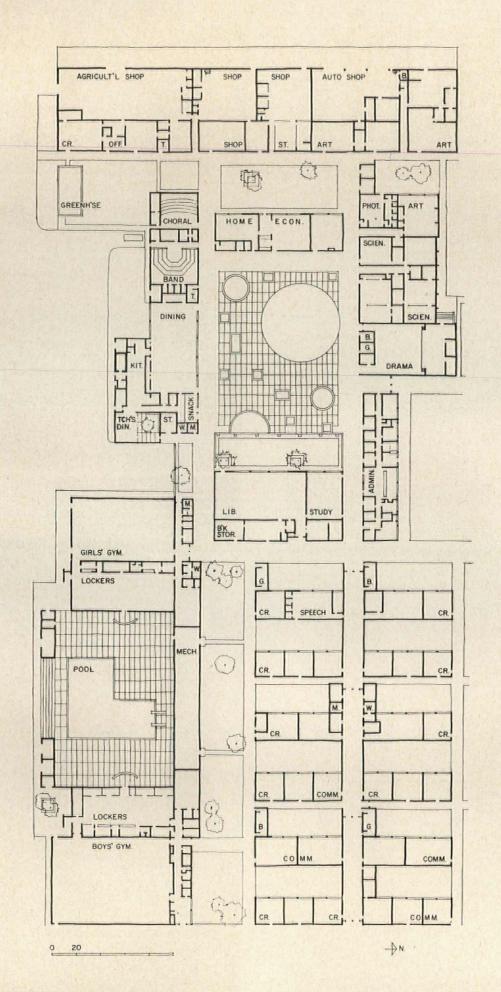






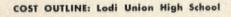








Above: outdoor primping station at girls' rest room. Right, top: double-loaded corridor in general classroom building. Second from top: the library alongside its courtyard. Second from bottom: cafeteria, opening onto main court. Bottom: general classroom, large windows opening onto court on one side, high windows to court on other side; science classrooms, located on the main court, have no windows courtside.



# BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

General construction	\$1,202,241
Plumbing	184,204
Heating and ventilating	381,559
Electrical	192,145
Fixed cabinet work	103,349
Painting and finishing	30,793
	2,094,291

# EQUIPMENT

Movable partition, draperies 3,176

# SITE DEVELOPMENT

Clearing and grading, drainage, sewage, roads and driveways, parking areas

66,773

LAND

FEES

Architectural, educational consultant, structural, mechanical and electrical, civil, acoustical, color consultant, supervision and tests

173,141

ADMINISTRATION

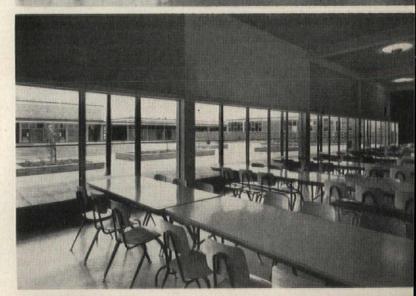
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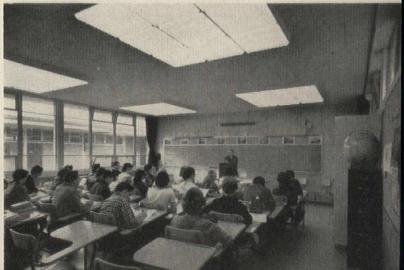
GROSS AREA (SQ FT)

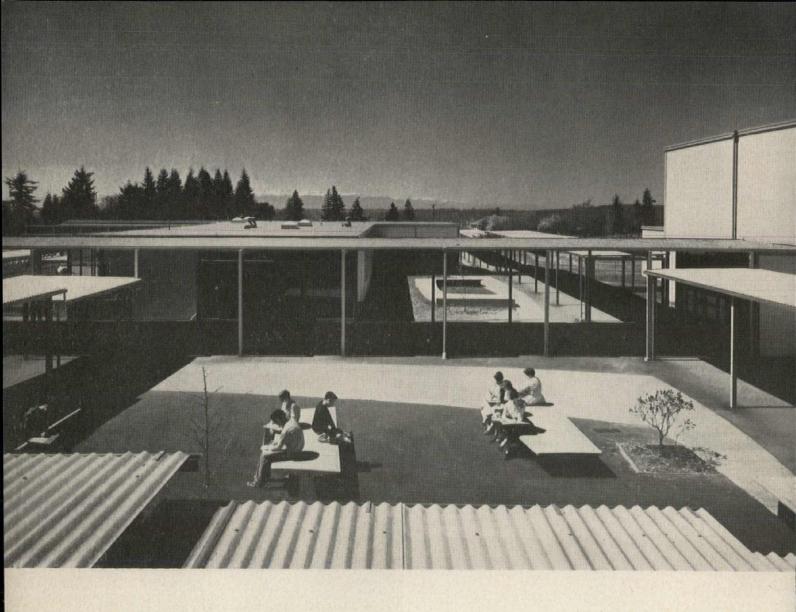
136,105











# Small Plant Has Series of Informal Courts

In a plant considerably smaller, at this stage of its development, than that of the preceding school, the Olympic View junior high school nonetheless manages to give its student body a fairly generous amount of outdoor space. The campus plan here has been modified—as, for various climatic reasons, it has been in all the schools in this study—by covering all passageways between the buildings. At Olympic View, this network of covered walkways produces a series of open places, where landscaping and seating provide pleasant centers for student socializing or even, as can be seen above, for studying.

The school is placed on a 27-acre site (the architect, called in early, helped to select it), 20 acres of which will eventually be covered with school buildings and athletic fields. A seven-acre section has been set aside for a bus terminal and garage, to be built at some time in the future.

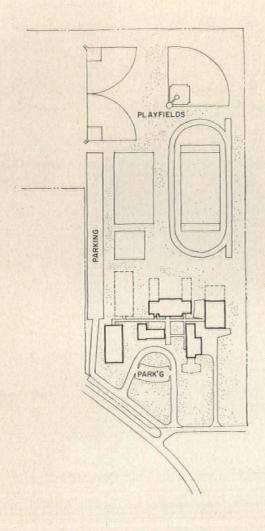
As the school stands now, it was designed for an enrollment of 400, but it can be expanded for an eventual enrollment of 800 by the addition of 11 extra classrooms, music and choral rooms, one home economics and one science room, a large wood shop and more special classrooms; this expansion plan, which affects all of the buildings, will still preserve the original separation of facilities.

Walls are a combination of concrete and steel; panels cast on concrete floors were tilted and welded into place.

Olympic View Junior High School, Mulkiteo, Wash.

Architects: Waldron & Dietz

Structural Engineers: Stevenson & Rubens; Mechanical Engineers: DeWitt C. Griffin & Associates; Electrical Engineers: Beverly A. Travis & Associates; Landscape Architect: Roberta A. Wightman; General Contractor: Hedeen Construction Company; Mechanical Contractor: Haskell Plumbing & Heating; Electrical Contractor: Northwest Electric Company

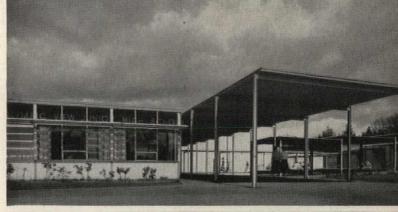


Above: plot plan; rectangle in upper left corner is site of future bus garage

Right, top and center: school approached from front parking lot. Right, bottom: typical corridor is lined with blue-painted lockers; wire-glass skylight illuminates classrooms through high corridor windows

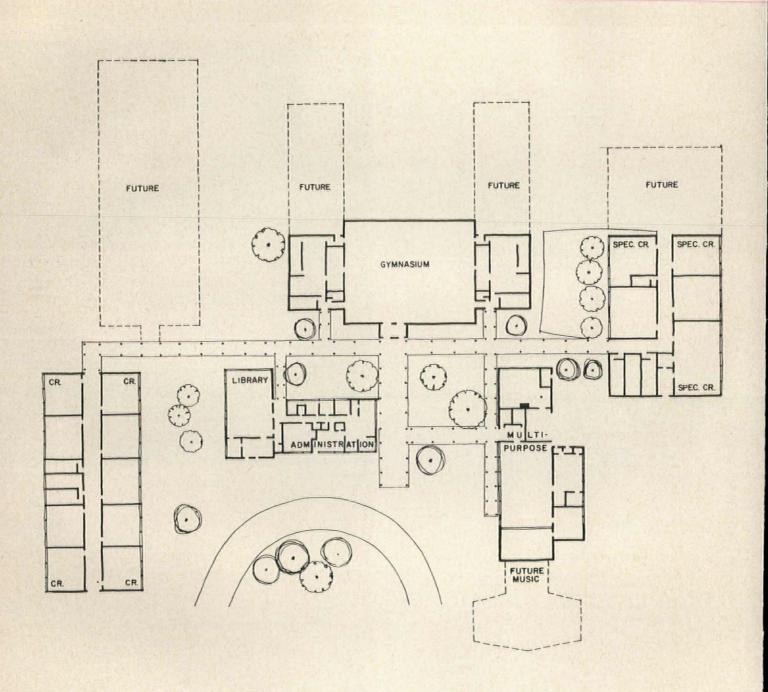
Photos by Art Hupy







Olympic View Junior High School, Mulkiteo, Wash.



Construction is basically concrete, with painted exteriors. Walkways have steel frame supports, are covered with corrugated cement asbestos board. Interior walls are plaster-finished wood stud partitions; floors are asphalt tile with the exception of the gym, which has maple flooring, and toilets and kitchen, where floors are quarry tile. Heating is by oil, with hot water conductor; air circulation is effected by central fan units in each building. Lighting throughout is incandescent, except in offices and kitchen

# COST OUTLINE: Olympic View Junior High School

# BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

General construction (including super- vision and tests)	\$343,820
Plumbing	42,144
Heating and ventilating	85,361
Electrical	47,187
Fixed cabinet work	15,000
Painting and finishing	13,400
	546,911

# EQUIPMENT

Bleachers,	stage,	draperies,	folding	
doors				24,500

# SITE DEVELOPMENT

Clearing and grading, drainage, sewage, roads and driveways, parking areas, uncovered walks, paved play areas, athletic fields, outdoor equipment, planting

58,400

LAND

FEES

Architectural, landscape architect, structural, mechanical, electrical 37,789

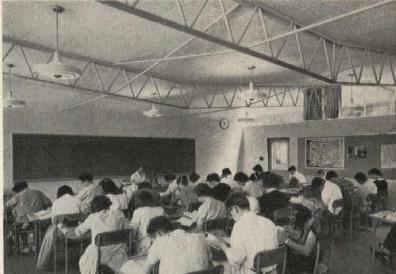
ADMINISTRATION

TOTAL \$667,600

GROSS AREA (SQ FT) 49,972

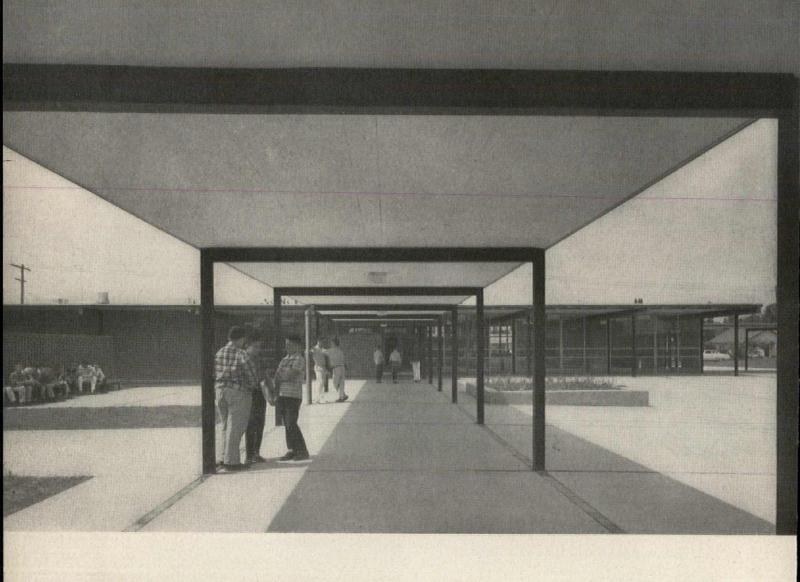
ENROLLMENT 400 (Projected 800)











# Tight Plan Provides Significant Space

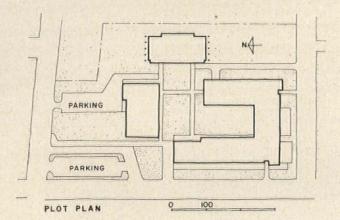
A staff requirement for a compact school on a limited site resulted in a three-way organization of facilities for the Puyallup Junior High School: three main buildings—gymnasium, music and lunchroom building, and the U-shaped classroom building—surrounding three large courts—the playing court adjacent to the gymnasium, the social court, and the so-called planted court which gives a view and an area of quiet for the inside classrooms.

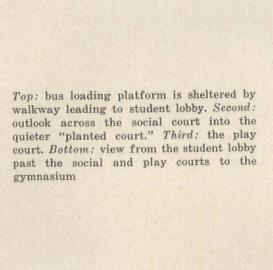
The social court was also one of the staff requirements: it opens directly off the lunchroom for mid-day milling, and is adjacent to the student lobby in the classroom building. Among the staff's other requirements: multi-use rooms in connection with the lunchroom; an open plan with a minimum of circulation; the east-west orientation of the classrooms; the library situated in the midst of the classrooms; and the student lobby, which is in addition to a lobby for the public. The architect's analysis of these requirements led to the lunchroom-auditorium-lobby-social court complex, and to the simple but effective separation of noisy and quiet activities. The lunchroom and the auditorium are combined, with portable seating in use for both the auditorium and the gymnasium. A long covered walkway gives easy access to the bus loading station from the student lobby. After two years of use, a staff member has testified to the workability and enjoyment of the building from the points of view of both teachers and pupils.

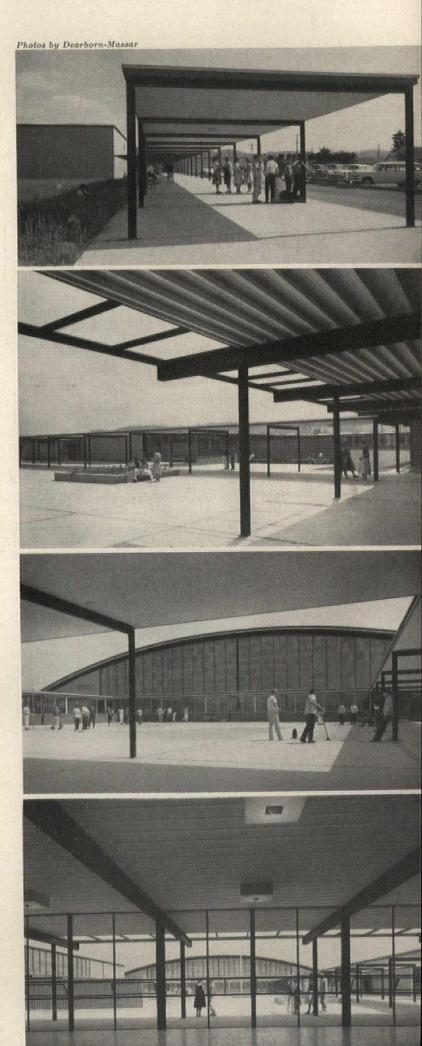
Puyallup Junior High School, Puyallup, Wash.

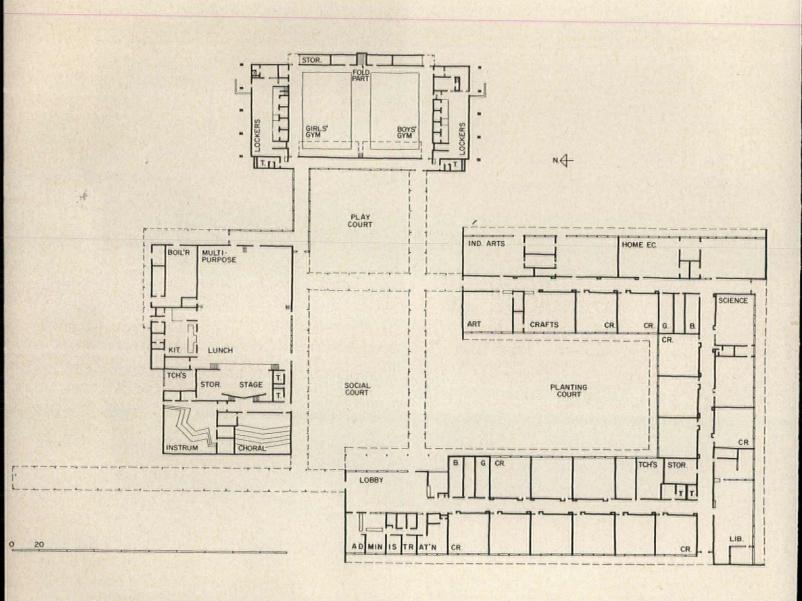
Architect: Robert Billsbrough Price

Mechanical and Electrical Engineers: Worthen & Wing; Structural Engineers: Horace J. Whitacre & Associates; Landscape Architect: Lawrence Halprin









Top: typical corridor has lockers set flush to dispense with clutter. Second: library, situated at corner of the building farthest from all noisy activities, has small court of its own; audio-visual facilities are centered behind glass wall at back of room. Third: cafeteria, with its folding wall, was designed for "multi-use." Bottom: one of the classrooms.

# COST OUTLINE: Puyallup Junior High School

# BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

General construction (including fixed cabinet work and painting and finishing) Mechanical (plumbing and heating

and ventilating)

Electrical

\$ 726,000

217,037 77,591

1,020,628

### EQUIPMENT

Chairs and desks, cafeteria seats and tables by owner; movable parti-tions, kitchen, administration, li-brary, laboratory, home economics, shop, art, stage, draperies in general contract

### SITE DEVELOPMENT

Athletic fields and planting by owner; clearing and grading, drainage, roads and driveways, parking areas, uncovered walks, paved play areas, fencing and walls in general contract

LAND

38,400

### FEES

Architectural, landscape architect, structural, mechanical and electrical, civil, acoustical, color consult-ant, supervision and tests

61,238

\$1,120,266

# ADMINISTRATION

TOTAL

GROSS AREA (SQ FT)

ENROLLMENT

800

85,222











# Generous Site Permits Scattered Facilities

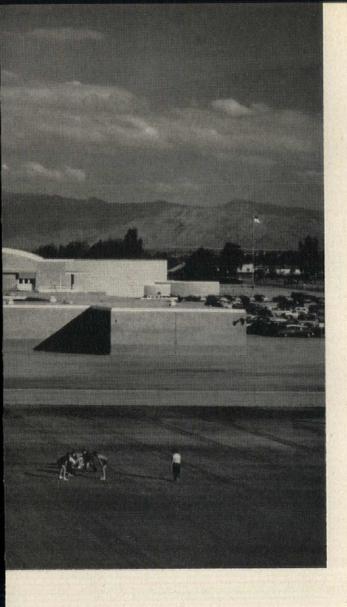
The 40-acre site for Catalina High School, even after the allotment of a considerable part of the plot for a large physical education program (including a rifle range), still left plenty of room for a sizable campus-type school and an opportunity for the architect to spread the facilities. Girls' and boys' gyms, for example, have been placed in two separate buildings—the girls' gymnasium will be used for educational purposes only; the boys' gym, with seating for 4000, will be used for spectator sports as well as in connection with the school program. The classrooms, too, are scattered: a twostory building was included in the original plan, and was soon augmented by a one-story building adjacent to the cafeteria, and a small wing next to the auditorium. A separate wing holds classrooms for science and homemaking. Shops are located away from classrooms on the other side of the boys' gym, with still another separation of facilities: the auto shop, including room for a driver training course, has its own building. Other buildings: a cafeteria with a capacity for 500 students at a sitting; an auditorium seating 930. All of these buildings, despite the wide scattering, are connected by enclosed and open covered corridors.

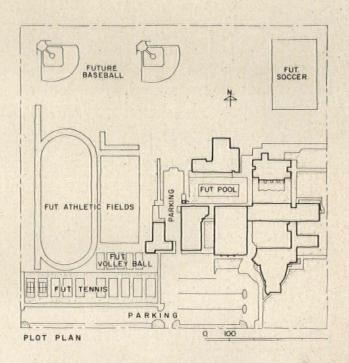
The school is cooled by refrigeration, and heated by circulating hot water; radiant heating was installed in the locker rooms. All buildings are connected underground by access tunnels carrying mechanical and electrical services.

Catalina High School, Tucson, Ariz.

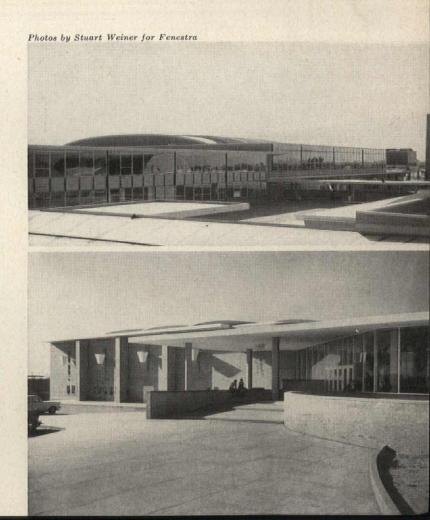
Architects: Scholer, Sakellar & Fuller

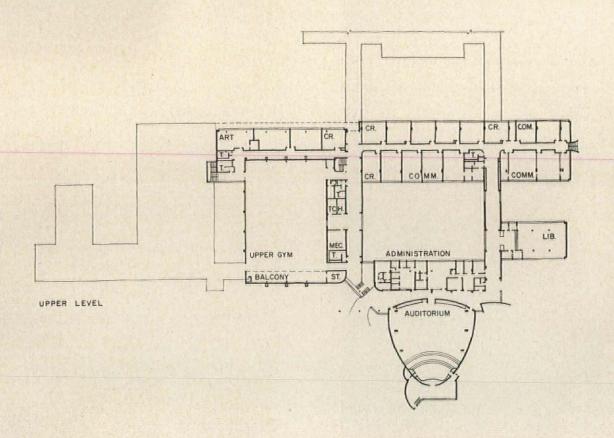
Structural Engineering Consultant: John A. Martin; Mechanical Engineer: John Paul Jones; Electrical Engineer: A. E. Magee; Acoustical Consultant: Floyd Rowe Watson; Kitchen Equipment Consultants: Schuler-Davidson; General Contractors: L. C. Anderson & J. J. Craviolini

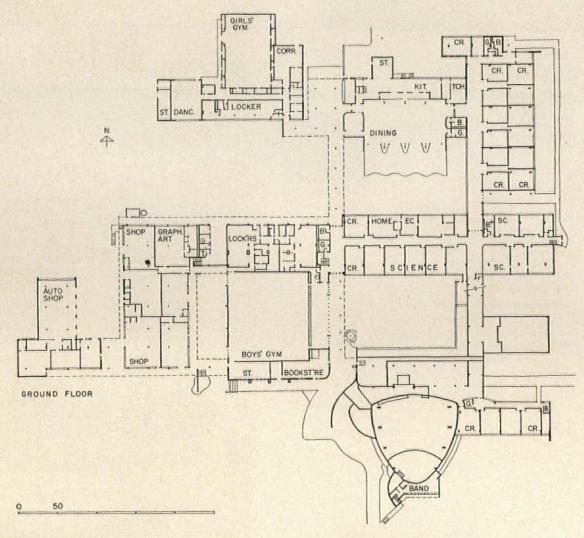




On opposite page: silhouette of the Catalina school shows girls' gymnasium at extreme left, cafeteria directly to its right, arched boy's gym at extreme right. Right, top: boys' gym seen across covered corridor and "West Court." Right, bottom: the main entrance







Top: cafeteria building, outside and in. Third: fairly low-pitched ramps carry traffic in main classroom building, built as a split-level because of a 26-ft drop in grade. Fourth: a science classroom has natural illumination directly behind the students with overhead lighting to prevent their working in their own shadow. Bottom: dramatically curved walls of auditorium were an economy measure-architects claim they enclose 20 per cent more space than the same length of recitlinear wall would have

# COST OUTLINE: Catalina High School

# BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

General construction	\$1,816,993
Plumbing	278,263
Heating and ventilating	344,223
Electrical	182,657
Fixed cabinet work	85,807
Painting and finishing	48,753
	2,756,695

### EQUIPMENT

Chairs and desks, movable lockers, cafeteria seats and tables, kitchen, administration, library, laboratory, home economics, shop, art, music, bleachers, gymnasium, auditorium seating, stage, draperies

448,845

# SITE DEVELOPMENT

Parking areas, athletic fields, fencing 157,573 and walls

LAND

### FEES

Architectural, structural, mechanical and electrical, acoustical, super-vision and tests

175.879

# ADMINISTRATION

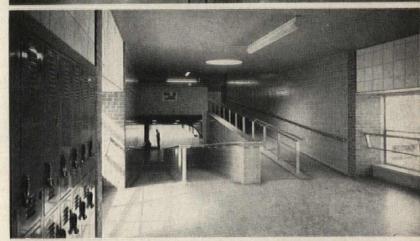
TOTAL \$3,538,993

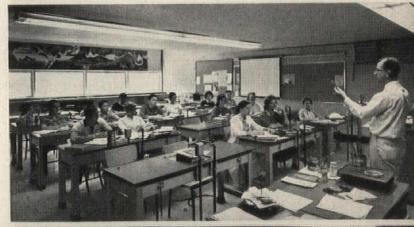
AREA (SQ FT)

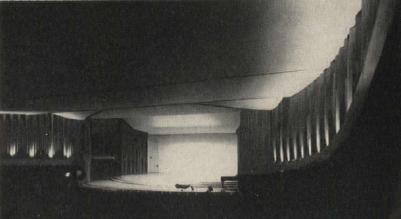
237,529 Heated space only ENROLLMENT 1,950

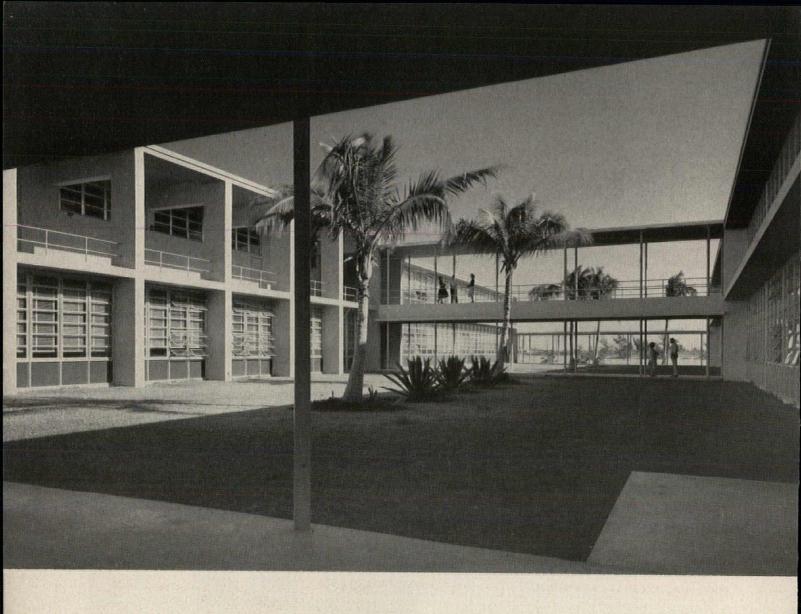












# Cloister Effect Sought in the Subtropics

The subtropical climate of Key West permitted the extensive use of open planning in this high school, organized around a central "cloister-corridor." The disposition of the one- and two-story classroom wings, stemming off the central corridor, created patios for light and ventilation, and heightened the cloistral effect. Like all cloisters, these spaces, out of the main streams of traffic, are not intended for milling or sitting in, but do provide strolling space for the students. The central corridor also divides the classroom from the activities in gym, cafeteria and music rooms, with the band room and auditorium, producing the highest level of sound, at the farthest remove from classes, gymnasium next, and the cafeteria, noisy only at lunchtime, nearest.

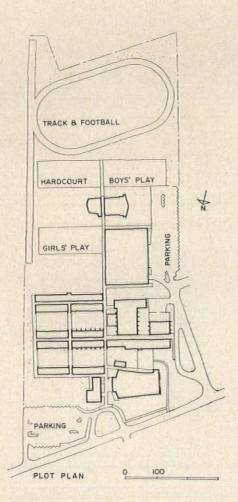
Extras for the students, again allowed by the climate: a screenedin patio next to the cafeteria, to be used for dancing; and a band room with a sliding wall to allow indoor practice and outdoor performances.

To shield the classrooms against the sun, the architect used aluminum awning windows for their durability and ease of operation (a push-bar mechanism). Wood jalousies were used in the classroom corridor walls, and behind the pierced grille of the auditorium walls to enable that space to be lightened and darkened at will. Exterior is finished with colored porcelain enamel panels under windows, native rock for screen walls; interior partitions are cement block.

Key West High School, Key West, Fla.

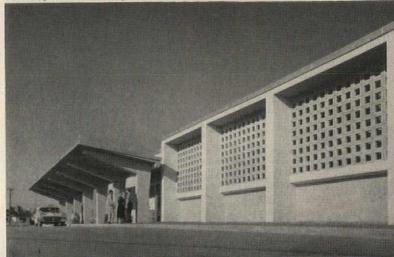
Architect: William H. Merriam

Engineers: Shinn & Hutcheson, Inc., Acoustical Consultants: Bolt, Beranek & Newman; Landscape Architect: James Voss; General Contractor: L. W. Ross

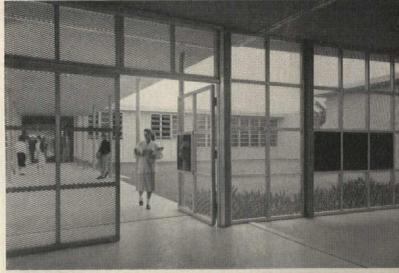


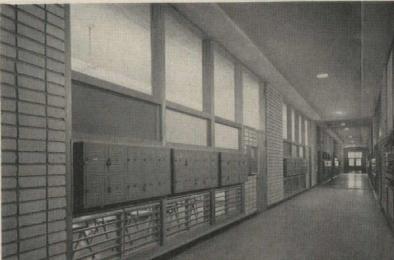
Opposite page: viewed from the central corridor, one of the cloisters, bisected by a two-story "cloister-corridor" joining two classroom wings. Right, top: bus loading station; screens shield the shop classroom. Second: stage end of the auditorium seen from the street. Third: screen divides auditorium section from the rest of the school; the gate can be closed on evenings when public programs are scheduled. Bottom: in climate where winter coats and, hopefully, raincoats can be forgotten, student lockers are reduced to book-size

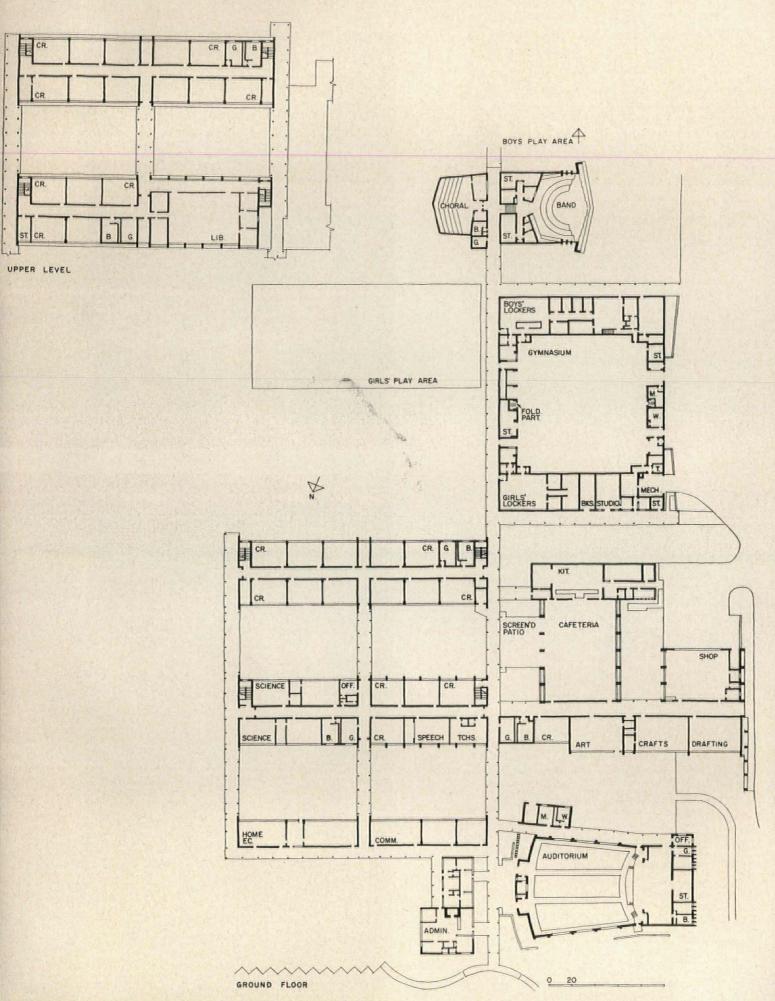
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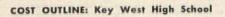








Above and right top: aluminum and porcelain enamel sliding doors in operation in the band room. Third: the library, located on the second floor, is entered from enclosed gallery. Bottom: the gymnasium is provided with closed press and broadcasting boxes. Structure uses reinforced concrete frame, flat concrete slab with reinforced concrete beams for floors and most roofs; roofs over auditorium and gymnasium are poured gypsum



# BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

General construction	\$1,311,657
Plumbing	119,900
Ventilating	43,455
Electrical	145,400
Fixed cabinet work	50,845
Painting and finishing	39,140
	1,710,397

### EQUIPMENT

Kitchen, library, laboratory, home economics, shop, music, bleachers, gymnasium, auditorium seating, stage, draperies 80,970

### SITE DEVELOPMENT

Clearing and grading, drainage, sewage, water supply, electric and gas service, roads and driveways, parking areas, uncovered walks, paved play areas, athletic fields, outdoor equipment, fencing and walls, planting

102,633

LAND

FEES

Architectural, landscape architect, structural, mechanical and electrical, supervision and tests

164,520

ADMINISTRATION

325

TOTAL ENROLLMENT \$2,058,845











# Limited Urban Site Calls for Consolidation

Neither site nor climate permitted much latitude in designing the Northeast High School of Minneapolis. A six-acre site had to accommodate a high school for 1200 students, a playing field and parking space. By dint of some rather involved maneuvering in the physical education-auditorium building, the architects even managed to save enough space for a small interior courtyard. In Minneapolis, students will probably have little opportunity to use the court for lounging; the architects say that it was designed "to amplify expressively the relation of the school as a community force by the use of a strong spatial relation of courtyard and parkway."

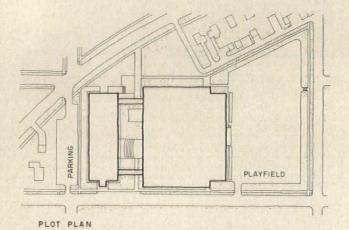
The majority of the classrooms are centered in one three-story wing; single story wings will eventually house the home economics rooms, industrial training shops and arts and crafts rooms. Noisy activities requiring large amounts of space are stacked in the central building.

Long-term economy was the first design principle, the architects report; they stressed their use of the modular principle, as well as the use of a minimum range of materials and uniform specification of buildings accessories and hardware.

Ventilation is accomplished by a high-velocity, high-pressure central system, supplied to classrooms over fin tube radiation under the windows. Northeast Junior High School Minneapolis, Minn.

Architects: Thorshov & Cerny

Mechanical: Egan & Sons; Electrical: Reliable Electric Company; General Contractors: Watson Construction Company



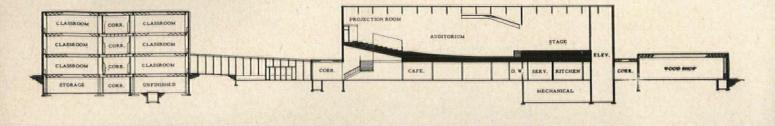
Right, top: front entrance is into corridor which gives on either of the main buildings or on the courtyard. Center: single-story home economics wing is first of three such wings to be built around the gym-auditorium building; the other two wings, to contain industrial training and arts and crafts facilities, will be added as funds are made available. Bottom: corridor in classroom building, near administration offices

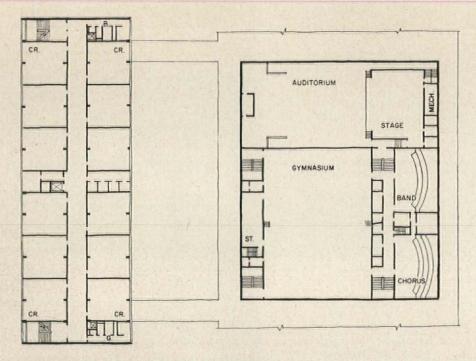




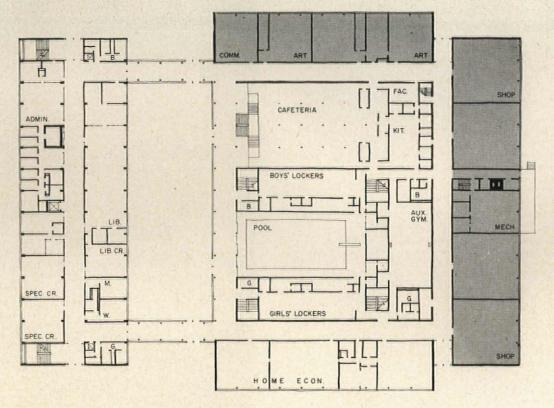


Northeast Junior High School, Minneapolis, Minn.





SECOND & THIRD FLOORS



GROUND FLOOR



Above and right, top: the auditorium; here, as in the rest of the school, architects used standardized lighting fixtures set in standard patterns for both long-term maintenance and operational economy. Center: the cafeteria gets direct illumination from the central court. Bottom: classrooms can be viewed from corridor

Opposite page: shaded areas indicate future construction

### COST OUTLINE: Northeast Junior High School

# BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

General construction (including fixed cabinet work, painting and finishing, some sitework)
Mechanical \$1,574,481 449,305 233,734 Electrical Temperature controls 41,819 9,534 Elevator 2,309,873

# EQUIPMENT

Chairs and desks, lockers, movable partitions, cafeteria seats and tables, kitchen, administration, li-brary, home economics, music, gymnasium, auditorium seating

150,632

# SITE DEVELOPMENT

Clearing and grading, drainage, sewage, water supply, electric and gas service, roads and driveways, parking areas, uncovered walks, paved play areas, planting

45,000

162,105 LAND

FEES

Architectural, structural, mechanical and electrical, color consultant, supervision and tests

147,000

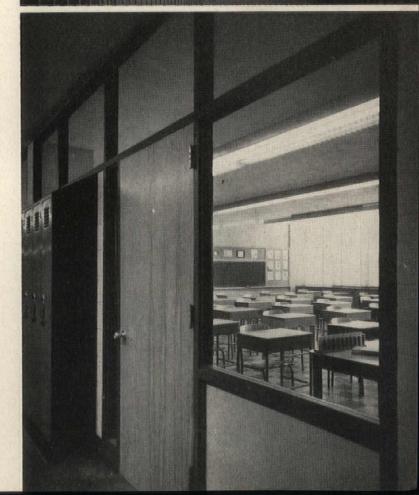
\$2,814,610 TOTAL

161,920 GROSS AREA SQ FT)

800 ENROLLMENT (Projected 1200)









# Quadrangle Creates Feeling of Intimacy

On a site that was extended visually by surrounding parks and fields, the Bogalusa High School, it was decided, should turn inward to give the students a sense of intimacy, perhaps even a certain "ivory tower" feeling. All facilities except the gymnasium and auditorium, therefore, were located in a two-story building designed around the central court. For milling space, the open quadrangle was broadened by a covered space left open under the second-floor library; the lunchroom, too, by opening directly onto the court, becomes part of this social area.

The internal organization of the main building placed all general classrooms in one wing, specialized classrooms on sides of the quadrangle adjacent to it, and the library, paired with administration offices, off by itself. Second-story enclosed passages were provided for all buildings within the quadrangle proper. Shop rooms were placed outside the quadrangle entirely, connected with it only by a covered walkway.

The auditorium was removed almost completely from the rest of of the school plant since this is the largest facility of its kind in the town and will be in frequent use by the public.

In the general interests of clean design, the long rows of lockers which usually line school corridors were done away with; rooms at either end of the classroom wing were set aside for them.

Bogalusa High School, Bogalusa, La.

Architects: Burk, Lebreton & Lamantia

# COST OUTLINE: Bogalusa High School

TOTAL

GROSS AREA (SQ FT)

ENROLLMENT

General construction	\$577,278
Plumbing, heating and ventilating	127,000
Electrical	79,000
Painting and finishing	17,500
	800,778
EQUIPMENT	
Kitchen, library, laboratory, home	
economics, bleachers, gymnasium	32,174
SITE DEVELOPMENT	_
LAND	_
FEES	
Architectural, structural, mechanical	
and electrical, supervision and	
tests	49,690
ADMINISTRATION	

\$882,642

78,100

1,000

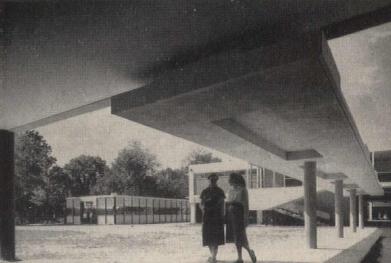
Opposite page: looking under second-story bridge from classroom wing to science classes, one sees part of central court, porcelain enamel louvers on southern side of classrooms; north side is shielded by concrete eyebrow

Right, top: gymnasium seen from covered milling space; louvered wall screens locker rooms. Second and third: general views from gymnasium. Bottom: students approach auditorium and music rooms from quadrangle; detached single-story building houses industrial training shops



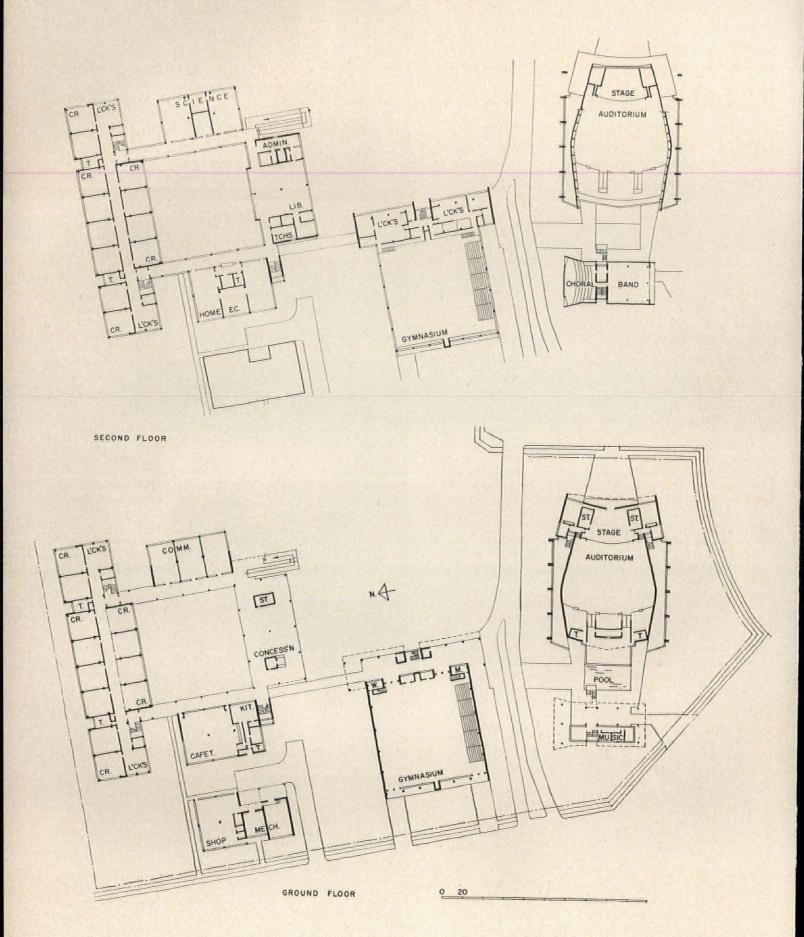






Photos by Frank Lotz Miller

# Bogalusa High School, Bogalusa, La.

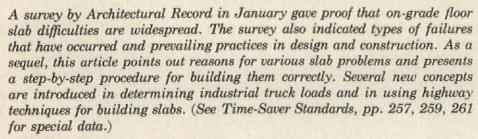


School site came equipped with a large playing field, a public park and a football field. Structure is concrete frame with face brick exterior walls; interior partitions are concrete masonry

# INDUSTRIAL FLOOR SLABS:

# Design and Construction

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Abuse is heaped on industrial floor slabs in terms of the traffic and loads they have to carry, and then in the nature of complaints if failure occurs. Since the floor slab is the working platform in any industrial plant or warehouse, the slab probably has more effect on production than any other part of the structure, yet it often is given only secondary attention. When failure does occur, the reason is not always understood, and blame may be laid to the wrong cause.

ARCHITECTURAL RECORD'S survey in January indicated that 61% of the respondents experienced difficulties. It revealed that the difficulties were not restricted to any particular type of structure, or type and weight of truck, or size of structure. The difficulties appeared to be about evenly divided between poor concrete work and poor base preparation.

The purpose of this article is to explain the various factors affecting the design of on-grade floor slabs, and to discuss procedures for both design and construction. Emphasis is placed on (1) loads the slab must carry; (2) nature and preparation of soil to support these loads; (3) structural design of the slab to take static and dynamic loads, expansion and contraction movements; and (4) finish to withstand anticipated traffic

Several new concepts are introduced in this article. First a rational approach is given for determining floor loads due to industrial trucks (See Time-Saver Standards pp. 257, 259). Second, two methods are proposed for compacting soil around confined portions of slab foundations, thus allowing the use of more efficient highway-type equipment for

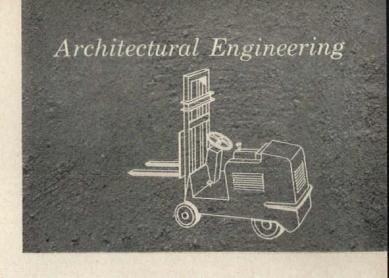
compacting the major areas of subsoil.

# 1. Types of Loads

The floor slab must support both static and dynamic loads. Static load is the weight of the material actually stored plus the weight of the concrete slab. Dynamic load is the weight of moving loads on the floor such as industrial trucks. The exact wheel loading of each type of industrial truck differs appreciably, making it difficult to determine the exact load until the equipment has been chosen. However, general assumptions can be used for the initial design of the floor slab. Types of industrial trucks and capacity ranges are given in Time-Saver Standards, pp. 257, 259. A method for determining wheel loading is outlined on page 257.

Special consideration should be given to the operating equipment such as lathes, drill presses, etc. These loads are always a combination of static and dynamic, and in some cases the vibratory portion might end up as the critical load. There is no tabulation given here of the characteristics of this equipment since the number of possibilities obviously are too vast. Frequently it is desirable to place this equipment on its own foundation and construct the slab around it. At other times it is preferred to place equipment on the slab itself and thus permit more flexibility in the future operations. It will then become a relatively easy matter to change the equipment, or to rearrange the entire plant as future manufacturing techniques develop.

In any event, conservatism is recommended in the approach to the load-assumptions used, since the



only effect of remaining on the safe side will be to increase the material cost of the floor slab. This in itself will be insignificant, and, except in the case when the slab must be structurally framed, will not have a cumulative effect of increasing the loading on any columns, walls or foundations. On the other hand, much greater flexibility will be provided to permit the use of heavier loading or heavier industrial trucks in the future.

# 2. Soil and Foundation

Preparation

Probably the most important single item in the construction of the floor slab is proper care with respect to the subgrade or soil that is to support this pavement.

Two questions should be asked about the soil. The first is: Will the loading cause settlement over a period of time? If so, what can be done to prevent this or to bring it within acceptable limits?

The second question is: What is the supporting power (bearing capacity) of the soil under the floor slab? How uniform is this supporting power? How can we make this bearing capacity greater and more uniform?

At first glance it would appear as though these two questions are the same; any soil which settles would seem to have insufficient bearing capacity. Actually this situation applies only where the soil which is intimately in contact with the floor slab is highly compressible. There may be settlement, however, even though the upper layers of soil are relatively incompressible. This happens when lower layers of soil depress appreciably due to the ultimate superimposed loading. An example is fill placed on top of existing layers of soil which are in turn over an underlying section of peat. Whereas the peat carried the original load, the superimposed weight of the fill causes compression of the peat.

To evaluate properly all conditions, it is essential that the designer have an adequate knowledge of the existing soils occurring under the floor slab and also of the soils to be imported for use under the slab. This means that a soil survey should be very extensive and should include the character of the soil at varying depths and the elevation of the ground water wherever it exists. Deep borings as well as shallower explorations should be carried out to get a completely representative picture of the soil beneath the slab.

This soil should be tested for its density against various moisture contents, its compressibility, and its grain size. (Nature of the soil is indicated by its grain size. See Time-Saver Standards p. 261 for identification chart.) These tests should also be performed upon all the materials that are to be used as fill or backfill over the existing ground and under the floor slab.

The compressibility is the determination of how much a soil will compress at various time intervals under conditions of different superimposed loadings. It will be due to the driving out of water from the soil interstices by the eventual superimposed load, as well as consolidation of the soil itself. From this data one can forecast the settlement that may be expected of the floor slab over a period of time. If it will prove excessive, it may be desirable to remove the undesirably compressive material and to substitute something more satisfactory.

Another alternative, if too much consolidation is apt to occur, is to surcharge the soil. This is usually done by placing an earth load over the initial material in excess of the load expected during the life of the structure. By judicious use of the time-settlement curves, one can determine how much ultimate settlement is likely to occur due to the proposed loading. From these curves one can also tell how long to place a greater load on the ground to get the same amount of settlement. If this is done, no further slab settlement should occur unless the actual conditions of loading exceed those antici-

Occasionally consolidation may be accelerated by the proper use of a suitable underdrainage system. This underdrainage system will facilitate the flow of the excess water away from the soil. It will work satisfactorily only if two conditions are met. First, there must be some outlet for

Correction. In the first article, January issue, p. 178, third column, the following statement appears: "Following is the evaluation (solid bars indicate no difficulty; broken bars indicate difficulty):" This should be changed to read as follows—"Following is the evaluation (with the exception of Part 1—Questions 1 and 2 which are self explanatory, solid bars indicate difficulty; broken bars indicate no difficulty):"

the water, and second, the soil must be pervious enough (have a sufficient proportion of larger grains) to permit the flow of the water in the soil into the underdrainage piping.

In some very special cases, where the water condition impedes the rapid consolidation of the soil and it is not possible to construct an adequate underdrainage system for either of the reasons noted above, sandpiles can be used to accelerate the compression of the soil. These sandpiles consist of small diameter vertical holes relatively deep and filled with sand. The spacing of these holes is a function of the original soil, the amount of surcharge, and the allowable time of initial settlement. Sandpiles seldom actually draw the ground water from the site but afford small wells to be filled up with the underground water that could not easily flow elsewhere.

Figure 1 is a typical time vs. settlement study for a hypothetical case. Tests made on the soil reveal that the superimposed load of (1) the earth fill to bring the slab to proper subgrade, (2) the weight of the slab, and (3) the eventual stored load would result in an eventual settlement of 0.375 ft. The nature of the settlement at various intervals of time would develop as indicated in curve A. If more surcharge (in this case sufficient to make the overall load equal to twice the load referred to above) were placed on this site, the eventual settlement would be 0.75 ft and would follow the time settlement curve B. By the proper use of these curves, we are able to determine that if we placed a surcharge load over the area for a period of 1.5 months we would be able to compress the soil sufficiently to prevent any further settlement at ultimate design conditions.

Curve C is a similar time settlement curve for the case where this soil was surcharged and suitable sand piles were used. If we followed this procedure, the desired settlement could be obtained in one quarter of a month.

It should be pointed out that this example is purely hypothetical and that an adequate study of the soil in question should be made for each particular case. Sometimes, the soil will rebound slightly when the surcharged load is removed. Other times some of the water that has been driven out will return and swell up the soil that was formerly compressed.

The actual choice of whether to surcharge, use sand piles, structurally frame the slab between foundations, or to permit the slab to settle eventually is purely one of economics. Generally speaking, it is not a good idea to permit the slab to settle as it seldom settles uniformly, and even if it does settle evenly it is apt to do irrevocable damage to the utilities such as water, sewer, or drain piping which is usually placed under the slab.

The reason for determining the density of the soil at various moisture contents is to tell how much moisture should be present when fill is placed to get the strongest and most uniform material to support the concrete slab. (Water acts as a lubricant for the small grains of fill, and there is an optimum level of moisture for which the fill can be made most dense.) These compaction density tests are usually conducted according to the method developed by the American Association of State Highway Officials (AASHO Method T-99) and modified by the U.S. Corps of Engineers.

AASHO tests consist of taking known volumes of soil and compressing them, using various moisture contents, by means of a standard weight tamper dropped through a fixed distance for a predetermined number of blows per layer. This is continued for a prescribed number of layers. From this, one can determine the maximum modified AASHO density at optimum moisture. These computations can be used as a control in the construction of the subgrade. Modified AASHO tests should be continually performed to verify that adequate compaction is obtained.

As these tests are comparative, it will follow that occasionally one is able to obtain densities of over 100 per cent. Generally speaking, however, the sands which are conesionless and pervious can be compacted to 100 per cent density, while other soils such as silts and clays can seldom be compacted much more than 90 per cent density.

A layer of sand (or gravel) of at least a depth of 6 in. is recommended below the floor slab. The advantages of this procedure have been proven in the recent Architectural Record survey. First it is stronger as it can be more thoroughly compacted. Second it can be compacted more uniformly, thus assuring more uniform support for the floor slab. (Differences in the density of the soil will tend to result in uneven stresses on the slab and if they are sufficiently large they might cause cracks.) Third, its perviousness permits the flow of water so that if a high water table occurs under the slab, it will simplify the ultimate relief of this condition.

The level of the floor slab will either be below, at, or above the elevation of the original ground prior to construction. As has been mentioned, the top 6 in. should consist of good sand compacted to 100 per

cent maximum modified AASHO density at optimum moisture. The soil for the depth of at least the next 18 in. or for the full height of the fill, whichever is greater, should be either compacted to 95 per cent modified AASHO density if it is sand, or 90 per cent modified AASHO density if it is clay or silt. Other materials such as topsoil, muck, organic silt or peat should be removed from the site and not used as fill or backfill.

To obtain these densities when the slab is below or at original grade, frequently it will be necessary to do no more than test the undisturbed ground. At other times it will be necessary to compact the ground by means of a roller, sheepsfoot roller, supercompactor, or other suitable vehicle, prior to placing and compacting the upper 6 in. of sand or gravel. At other times it will become necessary to remove all the material to the full 2 ft depth below the floor slab and then to replace the soil in 6 in. layers, compacting each layer to the required density prior to placing the next layer.

If the floor is to be constructed above grade, all fill should be placed in 6 in. layers and each layer should be thoroughly compacted prior to placing the next layer.

Uniform compaction requires extreme care so that the soil is worked in adjacent to wall and column footings, grade beams and equipment foundations, as well as under, around and over all utilities that are to be installed under the floor slab.

It should be borne in mind that compaction of soil might result in larger lateral stresses on portions of the structure due to the proximity of the compaction equipment during construction than those anticipated in the ultimate design. To offset this the constructor might be obliged to brace these portions laterally during his operation, or resort to other means of obtaining this compaction without developing large lateral pressures.

A method that might be used to obtain the proper compaction would be first to compact properly the entire area of the structure, then to drive sheeting around the area where the footings are to be installed. This would then be followed by excavating and installing the footings inside the sheeted area. The sheeting could then be pulled while at the same time the area is backfilled and compacted in 6 in, layers.

Another possible method would be to build the below grade construction and to terminate it at a point 2 ft below finished grade. The fill or backfill could then be placed and adequately compacted to subgrade.

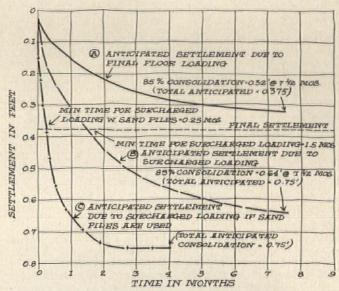


Fig. 1 Subsoil conditions may be such that settlement will occur when a floor slab is placed on ground. Left to itself, soil settlement may take months. It can be hurried up by adding an artificial load; taking water out with sand piles will speed it more

Following this the structure could be dug out, completed and then the local area backfilled in adequately compacted layers.

While neither of the two above methods are commonly used, they are offered here as possibilities—a great many floor slabs have been unsatisfactory due to poor compaction. Since much of this inferior compaction has been due to the difficulty of the compaction equipment operating in tight spaces, we believe that if the confining portion of the operation is held up until after compaction, suitable earth moving equipment can be utilized much more efficiently, assuring a better job if not a more economical one.

The bearing capacity (supporting strength) of the soil is indicated by subgrade modulus "k" and is determined by making a field bearing test (plate load test).

This plate load test should be made on a representative portion of the soil which is to receive the pavement. It consists of preparing a portion of the ground which is to receive the floor slab to approximately the elevation of the bottom of the slab itself. Preparation should be performed so that the compaction of the material is identical to that which would be obtained in the actual construction. A steel plate 30 in. in diameter is then placed on this earth and the plate is progressively loaded up to 30 lb per sq in. and settlements are noted for each increment. From this test the subgrade modulus "k" is computed. Values of "k" in excess of 300 may be found in testing, but it is not practical to use them for design of floor slabs at grade due to difficulty of obtaining such a high degree of compaction.

The curves and tests are corrected for bending of the plate and other factors due to the irregularities that appear in the testing, and then the "k" factor is computed. The "k" factor is equal to 10 divided by the average plate deflection for the 10 psi loading (measurements taken up to 30 psi).

Other methods for evaluating the subgrade modulus "k" of the soil are (1) determining the California Bearing Ratio (CBR) or (2) evaluating the soil itself on the basis of its mechanical analysis and equating this result to that which would probably be determined by a plate load test. (See Time-Saver Standards, p. 261 for discussion.)

### 3. Structural Design and Construction

The depth of the concrete slab is governed by the load superimposed on the slab, the bearing capacity of the soil, and the strength of the concrete. Mathematical analyses have been developed showing the interrelationships of these factors with respect to truck and airplane loads. And the U.S. Corps of Engineers have prepared curves for these conditions. The most applicable curve is reproduced and adapted in Time-Saver Standards, p. 261. It covers all cases of truck loads.

No curves are provided to design the slab for static load alone because the critical load will usually be the one caused by the moving vehicles. In order to support the static load it is essential that the soil below have sufficient supporting power. If this cannot be obtained, a suitable structural system must carry the load to good foundations.

It is usually much easier to place the concrete for on-grade floor slabs than to pour it for walls, beams, and other slabs because: (1) slabs are on the ground and (2) less of the space in a slab is occupied by reinforcing steel. Therefore, it is possible to obtain a stronger concrete by using a larger size of aggregate, less water, and a smaller slump. A different specification is advisable for concrete floor slabs than other structures. This concrete is usually specified on the basis of its flexural strength (sometimes known as modulus of rupture) instead of the commonly specified compressive strength used in walls, etc. The Portland Cement Association has prepared a curve showing the inter-relation between compressive and flexural strength, and this is useful where concrete cannot be specified and tested on the basis of flexural strength. (See Time-Saver Standards, p. 261.)

Theoretically, reinforcing steel is not required in floor slabs at grade since the subgrade, when properly prepared, will give a uniform bearing. However, the reinforcing steel will keep the cracks which might develop from opening up and, therefore, its use is strongly recommended. Cracks may be expected in slabs having any dimension greater than 12.5 feet.

The most commonly used formula for determining the amount of steel required is

$$A_s = rac{FLw}{2 f_s}$$

Where:  $A_* =$  effective cross-sectional area of steel in square inches per foor of length or width

F = coefficient of friction between slab and subgrade (varies from 1.0 to 2.5 with 1.5 being recommended by the American Concrete Institute) L = length between joints in feet

w = weight of slab in pounds per square foot (concrete usually weighs 150 pounds per cubic foot)

 $f_s$  = allowable tensile stress in steel in pounds per square inch.

When using this formula, the American Concrete Institute ("Proposed Recommended Practice for Design of Concrete Pavements," Journal of the American Concrete Institute, February 1957) recommends the allowable unit stresses in steel reinforcing presented in Table 1. These allowable stresses provide a factor

of safety of 1.5 with respect to the steel. Although it is a smaller safety factor than permitted for free span slabs, it is suitable and adequate for slabs-on-grade since there is no hazard of collapse. Furthermore, this permits the designer, by taking advantage of the support furnished by a compacted subgrade to come up with a more economical slab design.

Also, in connection with the foregoing formula, the American Concrete Institute recommends that the minimum size of longitudinal member be No. 3 gage for cold drawn wire and No. 3 (3/8 in. diam.) deformed bars for all other grades of steel. Transverse members should be a minimum of No. 4 gage cold drawn wire and 1/4 in. for bars. Maximum recommended spacing for longitudinal and transverse members are 6 in. and 12 in., respectively, for cold drawn wire, and 15 in. and 30 in. for deformed bars. These size and spacing recommendations have been set up specially for heavy-duty pavement slabs ranging from 40 to 100 ft in length and about 12 ft in width. Therefore, they would be applicable to roads and streets in industrial areas.

In the case of industrial floor slabs, however, trucks and other load handling equipment will most likely have to operate in all directions. Also management must be able to arrange and rearrange placement of stored materials and installed machinery. In order to secure this flexibility of operations, which is an absolute necessity, the slabs should be reinforced equally in both directions. Under these conditions the minimum sizes of reinforcing members should be the No. 4 gage cold drawn wire and the No. 3, deformed bar. For proper distribution of the steel to maintain cracks tightly closed, the maximum spacing should not exceed 12 in.

For slabs 6 in. or more in thickness the reinforcing steel should be placed at a depth of not less than 2 in. and not more than ½ the design thickness below the top of the slab. When slabs are less than 6 in. thick, the steel should be installed at a

depth of 2 in. below the top or at the mid-depth, whichever is least.

The reinforcing steel usually is made up of welded wire fabric as it is the simplest to handle. This steel may be placed in three ways. The first and by far the best is to support this mesh on suitable chairs or very small pieces of concrete and then to place the concrete under and over this steel at the same time.

Another method commonly used is to pour the concrete up to the level of the reinforcing steel. This is followed by placing the reinforcement and then pouring the remainder of the slab prior to the setting of the lower portion of concrete. This method is the most commonly used, although it has the disadvantage that frequently large quantities of dirt and other foreign material will also be placed between the two layers of concrete, thus weakening the slab.

The third method consists of laying the reinforcing steel on the ground. The concrete is then poured and the reinforcing steel is manually raised to its supposed proper position. This method is highly undesirable as the steel seldom ends up in the correct position. In addition, the dirt of the subgrade is mixed into the concrete and the steel also gets coated with this dirt, both weakening the concrete and preventing satisfactory bond.

There are three different kinds of joints commonly found in concrete slabs: expansion, contraction, and construction joints.

Expansion joints (see Fig. 2) are provided normally to permit expansion of the concrete due to temperature differences after the concrete has achieved its final set. Since the floor slab is usually in a structure that has a fairly uniform temperature, it would seem that this type of joint would not be required. However it is recommended that an expansion joint be provided in the slab wherever there is an expansion joint in the adjacent wall for the following reason: Even though I have never seen any written explanation of the following phenomenon, I have frequently noticed a crack occurring in a slab as

TABLE 2-MINIMUM DOWEL REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPANSION

OR CONTRACTION JOINTS IN HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

TABLE 1-ALLOWABLE UNIT STRESSES IN STEEL

Type and grade of steel	Minimum yield point psi	Allowable unit stress psi	Pavement thickness inches	Dowel diameter inches	Dowel length inches	Dowel spacing inches
Billet and axle steel, structural grade	33000	22000	6	3/4	18	12
Billet and axle steel, intermediate grade	40000	27000	7	1	18	12
Billet and axle steel, hard grade	50000	33000	8	1	18	12
Rail steel	50000	33000	9	11/4	18	12
Cold drawn wire	56000	37000	10	11/4	18	12

a continuation of an expansion joint in a wall and terminating at another expansion joint in the opposite wall.

The dowel bars are smooth round bars and should be placed with onehalf on either side of the joint. Dowels serve the purpose of transferring the load from one side of the joint to the other in order to prevent unequal deflection of the slab. (For further data on dowels see Table 2)

If the traffic is severe, such as with trucks using steel tires, it is recommended that the edges of the joint be protected by metal in addition to the use of the dowels. Fig. 3 shows one typical detail for this type joint.

Expansion joints are recommended adjacent to all columns, exterior walls, machinery foundations, and other structures such as sumps or pits that might be located in the floor. This type of expansion joint should never have dowels or any other kind of load transfer device as it is provided for the sole purpose of permitting minute amounts of differential settlement between the slab and the wall, etc., without cracking. The value of providing such expansion joints has been borne out by the recently completed survey.

Since differential settlement occurs so commonly the slab should never rest partially on a concrete foundation and partially on the ground.

It has been common practice to make warehouse and industrial floor slabs of constant thickness while concrete roads and airfield pavements have been thickened approximately 25 per cent at free edges. The reason for this is to make the pavement relatively stronger at the edges, since the superimposed load at this point cannot be transmitted over as large an area. It is my feeling that this practice should be carried into the design of industrial and warehouse slabs for the primary purpose of strengthening the floor at a location where the compaction of the subgrade might not be as good as elsewhere. The thickened edge need not extend more than approximately 5 ft from this free edge. Fig. 4 shows one of these typical details.

Concrete shrinks in setting. For this reason, contraction (dummy groove) joints are usually provided in order to control the location of these shrinkage cracks. (See Fig. 5). Some tests made by various highway departments reveal that the road functions just as satisfactorily when no contraction joints are provided if sufficient reinforcing steel is used to keep the random cracks from opening too large. The survey conducted by ARCHITECTURAL RECORD also seems to point out that contraction joints

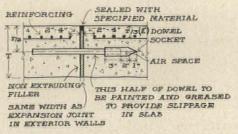


Fig. 2 Expansion Joint

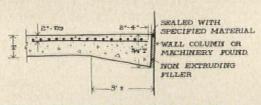


Fig. 4 Expansion Joints adjacent to walls, columns and machinery foundations

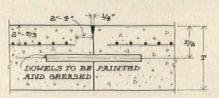


Fig. 6 Construction Joint

Fig. 3 Expansion Joints for traffic

GREASED TO PROVIDE SLIPPAGE

HAXS'CHECKERED PLATE WELD TO L

Fig. 5 Contraction Joint

44"x34"BOLAS @ 2:0" - REMOVE AFTER CONC. PLACED;

12"x 14"x8" ANCHORS WELD TOL

44' X 34' BAR

WELD TO L

31/2"x3"x 1/4" L

might have received too much attention. For the present, however, contraction joints are still recommended primarily to prevent shrinkage cracks which might occur indiscriminately and make the floor unsightly. The spacing of these joints is usually 12.5 to 25 ft.

Construction joints are provided to allow cessation of pouring operations. Where this is necessary some provision must be made to transmit shear between the adjacent slab sections. Fig. 6 shows this typical joint.

If it is desired to keep the width of cracks to an absolute minimum, it is recommended that all contraction joints be deleted and construction joints substituted. The floor slab should then be poured in a checkerboard fashion so that the second half of the checkerboard is not poured until after the first half has set up and its attendant initial shrinkage is complete.

### 4. Finishes

The survey reported by ARCHITECTURAL RECORD showed that of those structures having floor slab difficulty, 83 per cent were due to poor concrete work, while 41 per cent were due to defective surfaces.

Basic to a good floor finish is high quality concrete work. The know-how and materials are available, but insufficient stress is placed on careful workmanship.

The Portland Cement Association has an excellent pamphlet on the construction of finishes called "Concrete Floor Finishes." Some of this section is taken from the pamphlet.

Requirements for a good concrete finish are: (1) the aggregates should be well graded, (2) the finish should be thoroughly compacted, preferably by the use of power floats and (3) the concrete should be properly cured.

Special treatment of the finish may be desirable to give added insurance against dusting, and to protect areas where there is exceptionally heavy abrasive wear from wheel impact.

Various chemical compounds and oils are used to reduce dusting tendency; flouosolicate of zinc or magnesium; sodium silicate; aluminum or zinc sulphate, Chinawood, linseed or soybean oil; gums, resins or paraffins.

A new material which shows promise for heavy traffic conditions is an epoxy resin which has been tested by the California State Highway Dept.

Another procedure frequently used is to specify that the concrete finish be applied by specialists who closely control the water-cement ratio.

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# Composite Construction Combats Roof Deflection

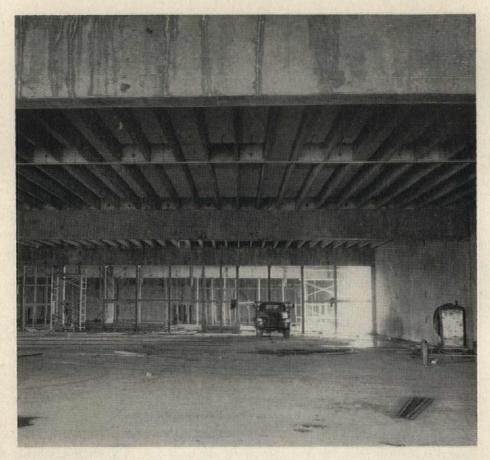
The versatility of prestressed concrete, and the reasons for its growing impact on the building scene, can perhaps be measured by such imaginative designs as that for the Kaynar Manufacturing Company's new plant in Rivera, Calif.—in which a unique air conditioning system led to the development of an even more unique use of prestressed concrete.

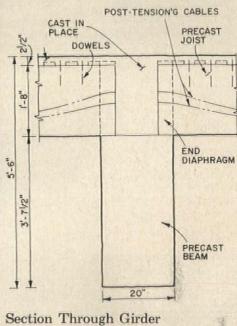
The building is a one-story concrete structure with 100,000 sq ft of usable floor space, almost all of which is air conditioned. In place of the usual cooling tower, however, the entire roof deck is flooded with 2 in. of circulating water. Aerating sprays at the front of the building reduce the water temperature, while the rooftop "lake" serves as an in-

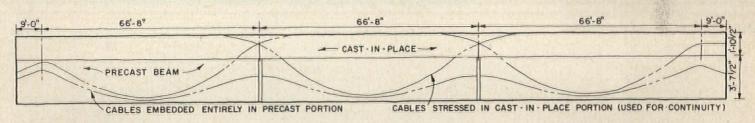
sulating agent and reduces expansion and contraction of the prestressed concrete deck. The perfectly flat deck required to allow water to flow evenly the length of the building, along with such considerations as unusually long girder and joist spans (66 ft 8 in. and 60 ft respectively), dictated the use of a number of novel prestressed concrete techniques.

The structural designers felt that in order to control the deflections in the heavily-loaded girders to the close limits called for, it was necessary to make them continuous. However, the negative moments were so large that conventional means of creating a structural tie between members were inadequate.

To solve this, the engineers designed the girders in two parts: one precast and one cast-in-place. The precast section, which is 20 in. wide by 431/2 in. deep, contains from four to nine twelve-wire prestressing cables, depending on the moments in the span. About half of the tendons were entirely embedded in the precast portion. These took erection stresses and aided in resisting the positive moments of the final load. The other half were embedded only partially, their ends projecting from the beam and crossing over the columns. When the cast-in-place portion had been poured over them and the entire roof was in place, the cross cables were post-tensioned, causing the precast and cast-in-







Girder Elevation

place members to act compositely. Thus full continuity was obtained.

Although pretensioned double tees were originally chosen to span the 60 ft between beams, it was decided instead to post-tension similar structural elements on the site. Rectangular precast joists, each 20 in. deep by 60 ft long and 3% in. thick, thus replaced the stems of the double tees. Before placement of the roof deck, they were post-tensioned with two tendons, one of which was stressed before erection, the other after. The joists, cast in groups of three or four, were tied together at their ends and in the center by diaphragms which, after erection, served as forms for the cast-in-place portion of the girders.

The 3 in. thick concrete roof deck was cast directly over the joists, forming the top flange of the "tee." For composite action, it was connected to the joists by shear keys and dowels which projected from the precast elements. In the direction parallel to the joists, the slab was prestressed by the post-tensioning cables in the joist members; in the direction perpendicular to the joists, prestressing was accomplished by cables in the slab itself.

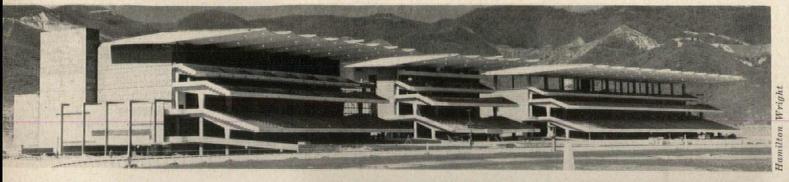
Since the roof was cast in 60 ft by 66 ft 8 in. sections to allow for concrete shrinkage, the continuous post-tensioning had to be done in successive stages. After one section was cast and stressed, the cable for the adjacent section was coupled to the stressed cable. Thus as subsequent sections were poured and their cables tensioned, continuous prestress was provided across the entire width of the roof.

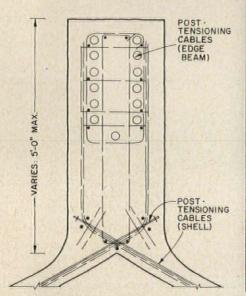
During the initial stressing, the girders cambered approximately 3% in., while the joists had a camber of about 1½ in. before the roof slab was poured. After the deck was cast and the shoring removed, however, both joists and beams had a maximum camber of 1/8 in. None deflected below the level line even under the full water load.

Architect for the project was John Lautner, A.I.A.; T. Y. Lin & Associates were responsible for the structural design.

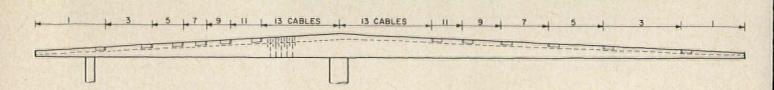
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# Technical Roundup









# Three-Inch Shell Cantilevers Ninety Feet

Three grandstands at Venezuela's new racetrack project, the Hipodromo Nacional in Caracas, are roofed by thin (3 in.) concrete shells which straddle a longitudinal support, cantilevering 90 ft out over the grandstand seating, and extending back 60 ft to a row of anchor columns at the rear of stands. From the front the roof appears as a series of concave scallops with a catenary sag varying from  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft at the tip of the cantilevers to 61/2 ft at the supports. The side elevation reveals the tapered edge beams which occur at the intersections of the 30 ft wide scallops. The dual action of these two elements -both of which are prestressed—is largely responsible for the efficiency and economy of the structure.

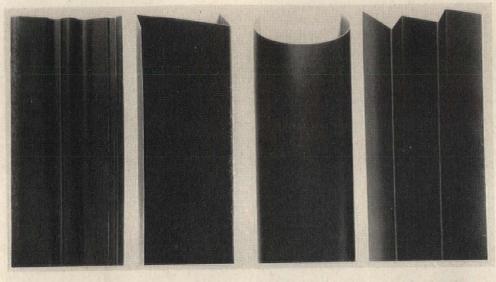
The design was based on the effort to prevent deflection of the cantilever, which would then act as a horizontal column subject only to direct stresses. This could have been accomplished by using exposed cables. However, for the sake of appearance and structural rigidity, edge beams were built to house the prestressing cables that run in the direction of the cantilever. When the cables, which are of varying lengths (detail above), were post-tensioned, the tip of the cantilever was lifted 1 in. above its falsework. Loss of prestress due to creep and shrinkage is expected to cancel this initial camber in time, leaving the roof structure level.

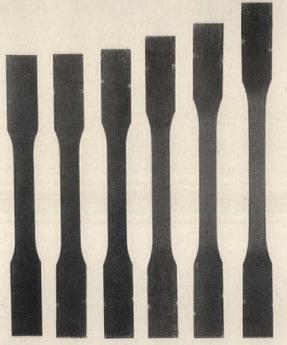
To minimize cracks and deflections in the shells themselves, and to add to the economy of the structure, the spans between the edge beams were also prestressed. Post-tensioning cables follow the catenary curve at middepth of the shells—which are 3 in. thick over most of their length, 5 in. thick near the columns—and anchor on either side of the beams. Nominal reinforcing reduces shrinkage.

The anchor columns were also prestressed to insure their elastic behavior under the action of the uplift force produced by the design load.

Arthur Froehlich was the architect for the project; Henry Layne was the structural engineer, with T.Y. Lin & Associates as special consultants on the design and construction of the prestressed roof shells.

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# Flexible Color for Stainless Steel

Thanks to a new process developed by the Electro Metallurgical Company, architectural stainless steel can now be produced in color—without the drawbacks inherent in porcelain enameling and other stainless steel coloring processes used to date.

Primary among the advantages of the *Permyron* process is the flexibility of the coloring. Stainless steel sheet can be deep drawn and bent after processing without cracking or crazing, and the coating also resists cracking due to expansion and contraction. (The stainless steel tensile specimen shown above was tested to 50 per cent elongation before surface damage became apparent.) In addition, the application technique permits processing of extremely large parts, such as architectural panels.

Basically, the Permyron process involves spraying or roller coating specially prepared surfaces with the "proper pigment in a suitable vehicle," and processing under controlled conditions of atmosphere and temperature. The thin (.0004 in.) coating that results is durable, and chemically and physically resistant to most atmospheres in which it might be used. Although it can be applied in the field-an advantage in repairing parts damaged during handling or erection, plant processing is preferred. Company spokesmen point out that the process may be used for coloring aluminum, plain carbon steel and other metals as well as stainless steel, and that costs are expected to be competitive with those for such coloring methods as anodizing and porcelainizing. At present the only color being produced commercially is a permanent matte black, but a range of colors now 'in the works' will ultimately be made available.

The first architectural application of the colored stainless steel was in a curtain wall for Atlas Steel Ltd.'s new head office building at Welland, Ont., Canada (photo above). It will also be used for the spandrels and column covers of the Union Carbide Building in New York City, which is scheduled for completion in early spring. Electro Metallurgical Co., 30 East 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y.

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Modular Lighting for Modular Measure (A. I. A. 31-F-2) covers Day-Brite's Mobilex and Troffer lines of recessed fluorescent lighting. Photos and cross-sectional drawings supplement brief selection information. 16 pp. Also available is a similar 12 page brochure which describes and illustrates the Daylume series of surface mounted lighting elements, including the 4-Square recessed unit. Day-Brite Lighting, Inc., Marketing Dept., 6260 N. Broadway, St. Louis 15, Mo.

# Fluorescent Fixtures Catalog

Shows expanded line of fluorescent fixtures for industrial and commercial installations. Leadlight Fixture Co., 800 100th Ave., Oakland, Calif.

# Soil Compaction

Vibroflotation . . . by discusses method of providing economical foundations by soil consolidation, and describes its application to a variety of structures. 8 pp. Vibroflotation Foundation Co., 930 Fort Duquesne Blvd., Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

# Recessed Lighting Catalog

Presents Marco line of architectural recessed lighting fixtures. Marvin Electric Mfg. Co., 648 S. Santa Fe Ave., Los Angeles 21, Calif.

# Cafco for Fireproofing

Four page bulletin contains a complete description of Cafco fireproofing material, with fire retardant rating tables and a specification guide. Columbia Acoustics and Fireproofing Co., Stanhope, N. J.\*

# An Architectural Study

. . . of Walnut for Commercial, Institutional and Residential Interiors offers a wide range of suggestions for the use of walnut in interior decor. 16 pp. Also offered is a walnut "Source List" designed to aid in locating local sources of supply. American Walnut Manufacturers Assn., 666 N. Lake Shore Dr., Chicago 11,

# Twin-Lux Luminaires

Describes and illustrates new 2 by 4 ft fluorescent lighting unit, with necessary technical data and ordering information. 8 pp. Smoot-Holman Co., Inglewood, Calif.

# Bar-Ray Catalog

Contains illustrations, diagrammatic drawings, specifications and product information on x-ray accessories, isotope and inspection equipment, radiation protection and film processing equipment. 56 pp. Bar-Ray Products, Inc., 209 25th St., Brooklyn 32, N. Y.\*

# Tufwire Wire and Strand

. . for Prestressed Concrete offers design information and pertinent physical data on Tufwire wire and strand for pre-tensioned and posttensioned prestressed concrete. 12 pp. Union Wire Rope Corp., 21st and Manchester Ave., Kansas City 26,

# Uni-Crest Expanded Polystyrene

Reference file folder contains descriptive material and application specifications, with sectional drawings, for Uni-Crest expanded polystyrene low temperature insulation. Uni-Crest Div., United Cork Co., Kearny, N. J.

# What Price Schools?

Features pictures and information on pre-engineered steel school buildings. Stran-Steel Corp., Detroit 29, Mich.

# Drafting and School Equipment

Illustrates and gives selection and specification information on Stacor drafting and drawing equipment and accessories. 24 pp. Stacor Equipment Co., 295 Emmet St., Newark 5, N. J.

# **Educational Laboratory Furniture**

(A.I.A. 35-E) Describes and illustrates, with installation photos, dimensional drawings and specifications, a complete line of wood furniture for educational laboratories. 68 pp. Kewaunee Mfg. Co., 5046 S. Center St., Adrian, Mich.

# Coal-Fired Package Boilers

(A.I.A. 34-B-1, 30-C-1) Describes and gives performance and selection data for Coal-Pak Automatic series of bituminous coal-fired package boilers for low or high pressure hot water or steam systems. Bulletin 1100, 10 pp. International Boiler Works Co., 768 Peach St., East Stroudsburg, Pa.

### Power Roof Ventilator

(A.I.A. 30-D-1) Gives capacity ratings, noise-level classifications, motor-selection specifications, installation notes and descriptions of Type L-CRF Air-foil centrifugal power roof ventilators. 8 pp. Ilg Electric Ventilating Co., 2850 N. Pulaski Rd., Chicago 41, Ill.\*

### Copper Roofing Products

Contains detailed descriptions and illustrations of complete line of roofing and drainage products; gives instructions for determining drainage requirements, information on proper flashing procedures, engineering data and similar material. 28 pp. C. G. Hussey & Co., 2850 Second Ave., Pittsburgh 19, Pa.

### Deluxe Steel Shelving

Catalog No. 30 gives selection data on shelving items for all storage requirements, with detailed suggestions for correct shelving for storing materials, parts and files. Shop equipment and storage cabinets are also described. 64 pp. Deluxe Metal Furniture Co., Warren, Pa.

\*Additional product information in Sweet's Architectural File, 1958

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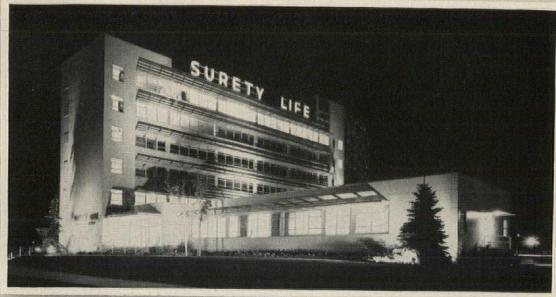
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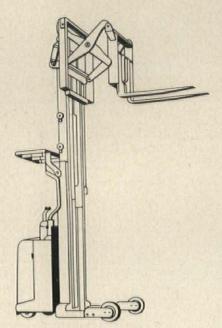
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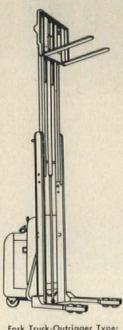
In Canada, Canadian General Electric Co., Ltd., Montreal

### INDUSTRIAL FLOOR SLABS: 1-Truck Loadings

By JACK L. STAUNTON, Consulting Engineer, New York City

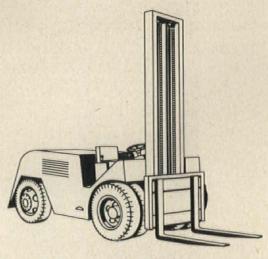


Reach Type Truck: 2000-4000 lbs



Fork Truck-Outrigger Type: 1000-4000 lbs

Drawings from The Handbook of Powered Industrial Trucks, The Industrial Truck Association, 900 F. St., N. W., Washington, D. C.



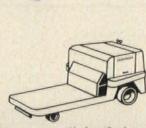
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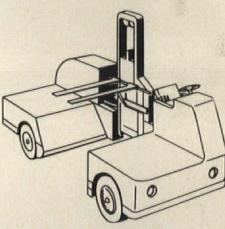
Industrial Tractor: Max. starting draw-bar pull to 12,000 lbs



Platform Truck-Non-Elevating Type: 4000-16,000 lbs



Platform Truck-Low-Lift Type: 4000-16,000 lbs



Side Loading Truck: To 30,000 lbs

In order to approximate the loading on the floor slab due to trucks, it is recommended that the design load be computed in the following manner:

In the counterbalanced type of truck the carrying mechanism is located ahead of the front wheels. In order to keep the rear wheels down it is necessary for this vehicle to weigh enough to balance the load being carried. As the front wheels act as the fulcrum, it is suggested that the load on the front axle be considered to be twice the carrying capacity of the vehicle and each wheel should be taken as the carrying capacity of the vehicle. In the event there are dual wheels (4 wheels per axle) these dual wheels should

be considered as one wheel having 75 per cent of the carrying capacity since the proximity of the wheels to each other will cause an interaction on the floor slab.

In the outrigger or straddle type the load is carried approximately in the center. It is suggested that the load on any axle be estimated to be 90 per cent of the carrying capacity of the vehicle and each wheel should be estimated as 45 per cent of the carrying capacity of the vehicle. This is based on an assumption that the empty vehicle weighs approximately 80 per cent of its rated carrying capacity.

These trucks are supplied with either pneumatic, solid cushion or solid tires.

Although they move relatively slowly, they still create quite an impact when stopping. For this reason it is recommended that the following impact factors be used; solid tires—1.5, solid cushion tires—1.3, pneumatic tires—1.1.

It was originally hoped to publish a comprehensive listing of the various types of trucks manufactured showing all their salient characteristics. Unfortunately this information is not available, according to the Industrial Truck Association. The Association says that ".. it is impossible to make a precise recommendation without a detailed technical study of the building involved. For this reason, it is always recommended that a competent architectural engineer study the building in question to determine the weight of the truck that would be permissible under the specific conditions involved."

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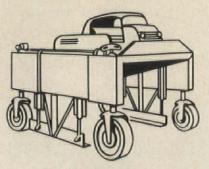
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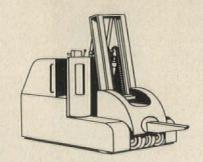
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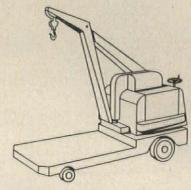
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Straddle Carrier: To 50,000 lbs



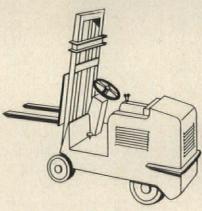
Ram Truck: To 100,000 lbs



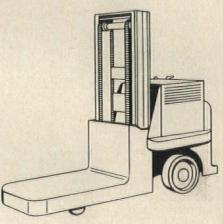
Platform Truck-Crane Combination: 4000-16,000 lbs



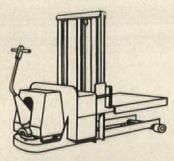
Mobile Crane: 3000-10,000 lbs



Fork Truck-Counterbalance Type: To 8000 lbs



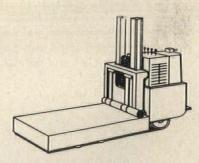
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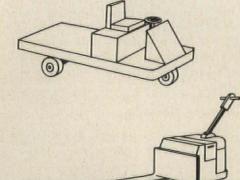
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Fork Truck-Counter Balance Type: To 3000 lbs

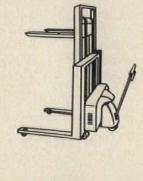


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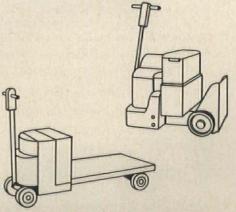


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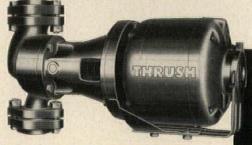
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### INDUSTRIAL FLOOR SLABS: 3-Soil Classification; Structural Design

By JACK L. STAUNTON, Consulting Engineer, New York City

The plate load test method is the most accurate means of determining the subgrade modulus of the soil since it is the only method that actually determines the supporting power itself (see Westergaard ratio in chart). The California Bearing Ratio determination actually establishes the compressibility of the soil and is normally used in the design of flexible pavements such as asphalt. However, it is felt that there is some inter-relationship between compressibility and supporting strength. The top chart at right is one of the very few that have attempted to establish this inter-relationship. Similarly, if one knows the nature of the soil it should be possible to estimate the range of compressibility and supporting strength. This relationship also has been shown in the chart. For important works, the plate load test should be used, while for smaller or less complicated structures it may suffice to have only knowledge of the soil.

The CBR determination is performed in the laboratory and not in the field as with the plate method. In this test a representative sample of the soil to be used under the slab is placed in a cylinder and is compacted to the modified ASSHO density that would occur in actual construction. A piston is then placed on one end of this cylinder and the piston is loaded so that the piston will penetrate the soil at a rate of 0.05 in. per minute until it moves a total of 0.5 in. The results of this test are proportioned to the resistance of a standard layer of broken stone. This ratio is the California Bearing Ratio (CBR).

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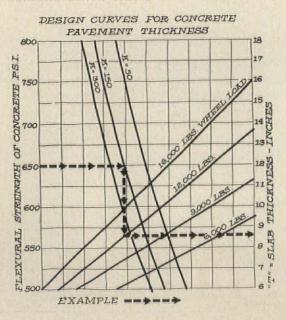
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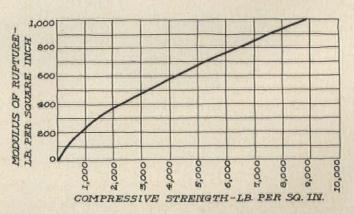
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Charts adapted from, Data Book for Civil Engineers, Design, by Elwyn E. Seelye, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York.

### CONCRETE-DESIGN CURVES FOR PAVEMENT THICKNESS



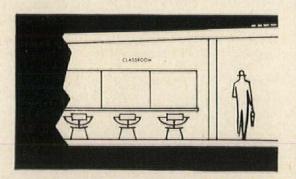
### CONCRETE-COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH VS MODULE OF RUPTURE

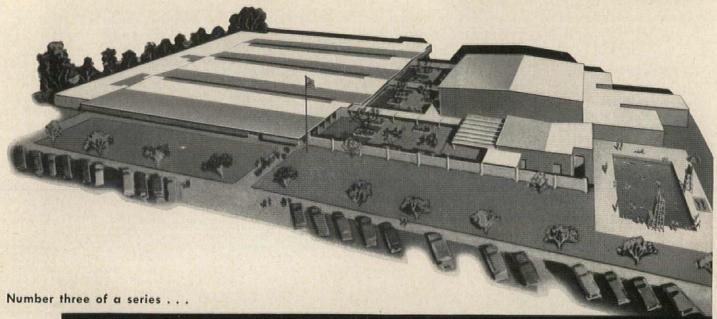


From Concrete Information, "Concrete Floors on Ground", Portland Cement Association, Chicago, Ill.

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According to R. Guild Gray, Superintendent of the Clark County, Nevada, School District—"Unit ventilators for each of the rooms were decided upon to meet the demands of teachers for individual control of room temperatures. Scientific studies indicate the type of activity that goes on in a room demands the consideration of the temperature in that room. Different school room activities should be carried on in different temperatures for maximum efficiency."





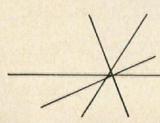
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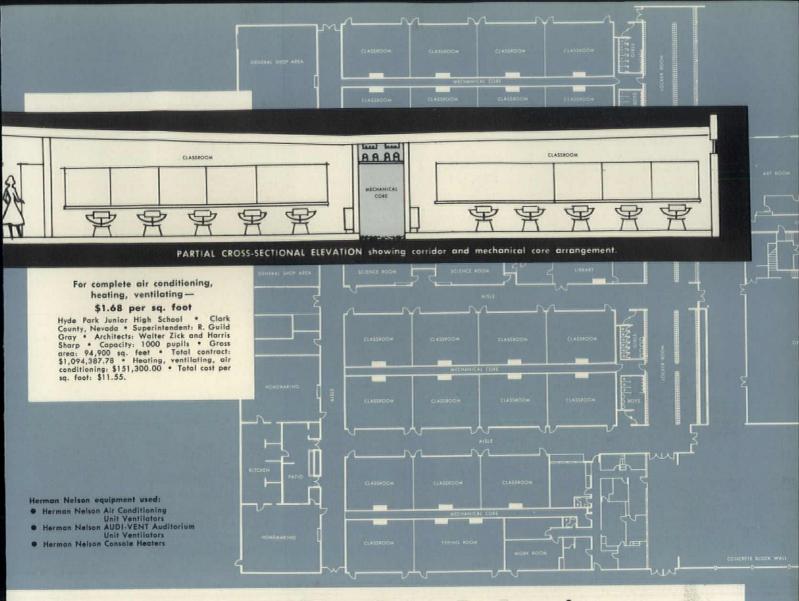
**CLASSROOM AIR CONDITIONING**, more and more is becoming an important factor in school design. Architects everywhere are recognizing the trend in their structural considerations for school buildings.

Educators, too, are thinking—talking—stressing air conditioning. They have found that classroom temperature, air movement and humidity have a direct bearing on learning and development. They realize that it is just as important that a child be comfortable in hot weather as wintertime.

For these reasons, many schools are already air conditioned, or are planning for it in the future. Throughout the country, the need for air conditioning is being reflected again and again in basic school design. The building plan shown on these pages is an outstanding example.

Does the school you are planning include eventual air conditioning? Think it over. Chances are—it should.





# ir conditioned school design

# Walter Zick, Harris Sharp PROVE economy of air conditioning

Glare from the intense sun and desert landscape of southern Nevada—combined with area's severe dust problem and the almost universal need for economy in school construction—were important considerations for Las Vegas architects Walter Zick and Harris Sharp in designing the new Hyde Park Junior High School. By incorporating Herman Nelson air conditioning unit ventilators as a basic part of the school design—they solved all problems, provided year 'round comfort, too.

Hyde Park Junior High is a big school, encompassing

Hyde Park Junior High is a big school, encompassing 94,900 square feet. Yet costs were held to just \$1,094,387—only \$11.55 per square foot. Cost for complete air conditioning, heating, ventilating and natural cooling with Herman Nelson unit ventilators was only \$1.68 per square foot—appreciably less than for heating and ventilating alone in many of today's new schools!

Intelligent, functional design deserves the credit. The school has a basic wall construction of cinder block, basic 20-year bonded roof construction of minimum pitch covered by

built-up felt, tar and gravel, a minimum of outside wood to solve problems of painting and deterioration. Probably the most interesting and important factor design-wise, however, is the use of a mechanical core or channel between all classrooms.

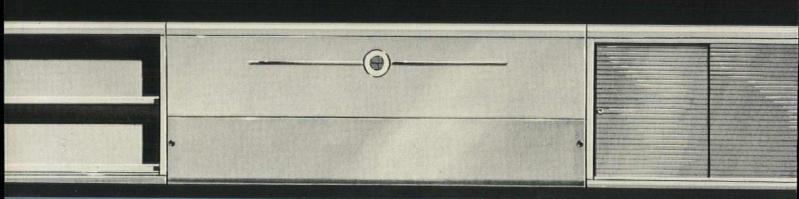
This was designed to control dust through its use as an air chamber for filtering air into the unit ventilators, which are installed against the *interior* wall, adjacent to the channel. All piping and conduit runs are installed in the channel so they can be easily reached for maintenance purposes. There is a minimum of underground piping, eliminating the trouble the school district had been having with electrolytic action on underground material.

Both glare and solar heat gain through windows were eliminated by reducing classroom fenestration to narrow 22-inch high room-width strips set seven feet above the floor. By air conditioning the classrooms through unit ventilators, it was not deemed necessary to install windows which might be opened, except for exhausting of air.



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Look at the costs shown below. They are particularly interesting when you realize that they are truly representative—for Herman Nelson equipped schools in all parts of the coun-

School	Total Cost	Total Cost Per Sq. Ft.	Ventilating Cost Per Sq. Ft.	Per Cent of Total Cost
A	\$ 659,000	\$15.33	\$1.15	7.6
AB	416,211	9.05	1.13	12.4
C	435,270	11.21	1.48	13.2
CDEF	131,223	9.00	1.98	22.0
E	260,164	13.56	1.47	10.9
F	1,013,960	11.27	1.25	11.1
G	577,193	8.39	1.07	12.9
H	310,17	9.84	1.05	10.7
1	344,291	10.43	1.11	10.7
1	118,147	7 12.38	2.09	16.6
Average	\$ 426.564	\$11.05	\$1.38	12.8

School	Total Cost	Total Cost Per Sq. Ft.	Heating & Ventilating Cost Per Sq. Ft.	Per Cent of Total Cost
K	\$ 666,000	\$15.49	\$1.32	8.5
L	423,511	9.21	1.29	14.0
M	356,800	10.04	1.55	15.4
N	2,813,000	15.44	1.78	11.5
200	2,745,381	16.54	1.76	10.7
P	1,311,000	10.40	1.55	14.9
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Average	\$1,259,385	\$13.25	\$1.57	12.3

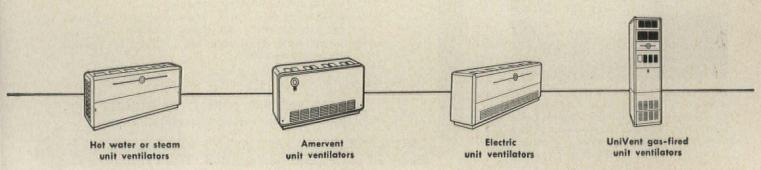
School	Total Cost	Total Cost Per Sq. Ft.	Heating Ventilating & Air Conditioning Cost Per Sq. Ft.	Per Cent of Total Cost
R	\$ 690,000	\$16.04	\$1.88	11.7
R S T U	371,100	10.44	1.95	18.7
T	406,463	14.38	2.41	16.8
U	360,700	13.11	2.22	16.9
٧	1,094,387	11.55	1.68	13.8
Average	\$ 584,530	\$13.10	\$2.01	15.6
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FIVE SCHOOLS ON WHICH BIDS WERE TAKEN ON HERMAN NELSON UNITS FOR

try. Locations range from California to New York, from Wisconsin to Georgia.

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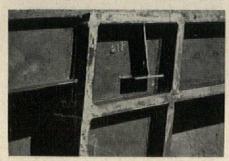
### Long Welded Arches Save Steel In Rigid-Frame School Structure

Six wide-span arches spaced 21 ft apart form the main arena of a new rigid-frame structure that will serve as a cafeteria-auditorium for Madison Elementary School No. 6 in Phoenix, Arizona. The arch construction, which was developed to conform with other curved-roof structures in the area and to conserve on steel, required only 80 tons of steel-considerably less than conventional column and girder construction. Structural engineer for the building was Walter E. Riley of Phoenix; architects were Lescher and Mahoney, also of Phoenix.

(Above right) First four arches span 89 ft, connect at right to 40 ft arches spanning a connecting building area. Two remaining arches in background are about 77 ft long. Tapered columns at left carry overhanging beams which form an outside canopy.



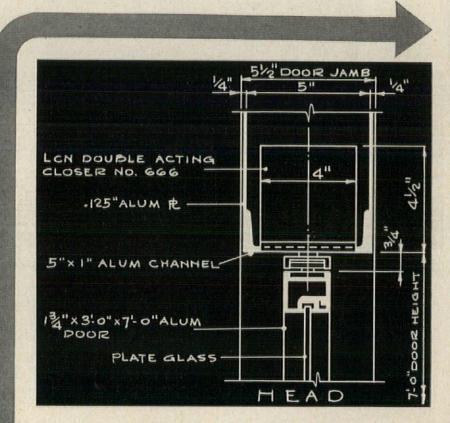
Detail of arch-to-column connection at outer end of 89 ft span shows carry-through of 1% in, plate. Wide flange beams welded to arches and columns serve as lateral bracing; bar joists between them are welded to brackets on arch webs. Columns are bolted to footings at base, connected by tierods.



Joints between heavy plate sections in archto-column connection were double-beveled for multipass arc welding. Thinner T-section is spliced to the lateral beam; lighter beam to left supports canopy overhang. more roundup on page 270



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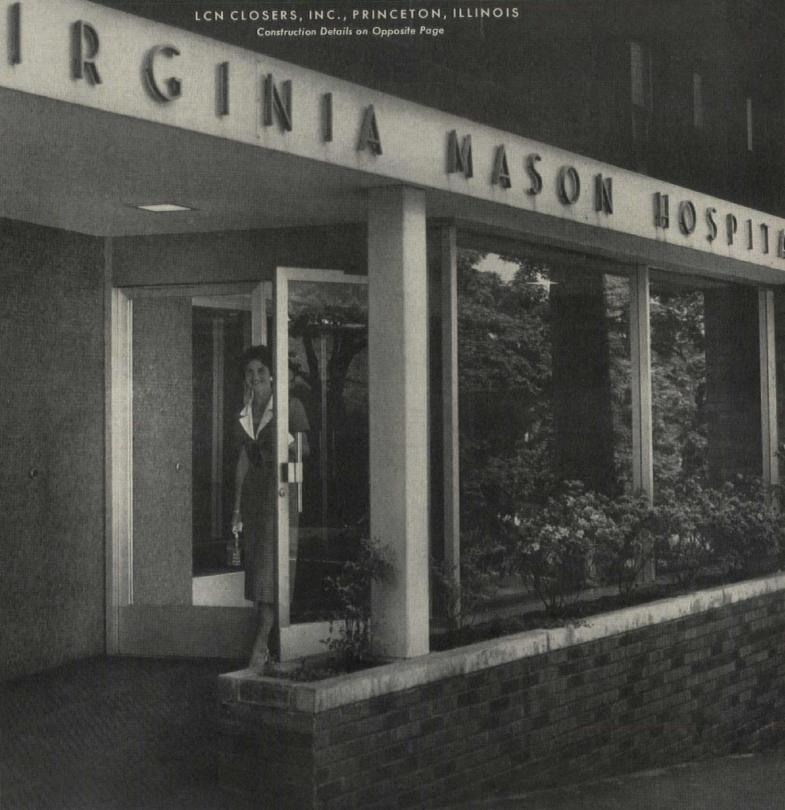
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BUILDING: John J. Kane Hospital, Allegheny County, Pa.

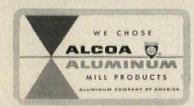
OWNER: Allegheny County Institutional District

ARCHITECTS: Button & McLean—Mitchell & Ritchey, Pittsburgh, Pa.

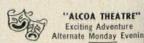
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ALUMINUM SUBCONTRACTORS:

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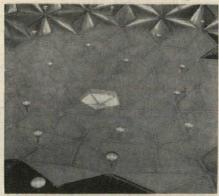
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# Technical Roundup



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### Giant Rubber Bag "Blows Up" Demountable Mobile Homes

Three and a half hours' work for a crane or 16 men is being done in three minutes by a huge rubbercoated fabric balloon. The 11 ft diameter bag, which unfolds from a yardsquare package, is helping to erect over 100 collapsible mobile homes for construction workers at the Glen Canyon dam site near Page, Arizona. The 520 sq ft homes are shipped from Transa Homes Corp.'s California plant with their walls, floors and roofs folded together. When they reach the job site, the air bag developed by B. F. Goodrich Aviation Products is positioned under the roof and inflated with air at less than 1 psi. As it is blown up, the roof is raised; as it deflates, the floor and walls drop into position.

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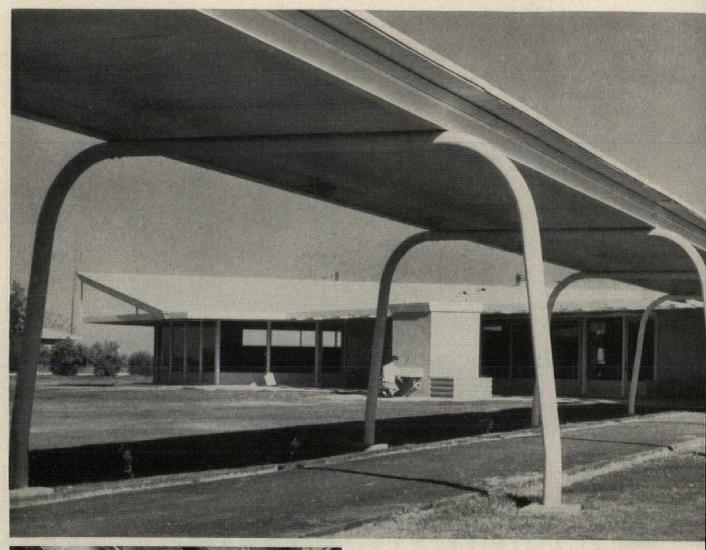
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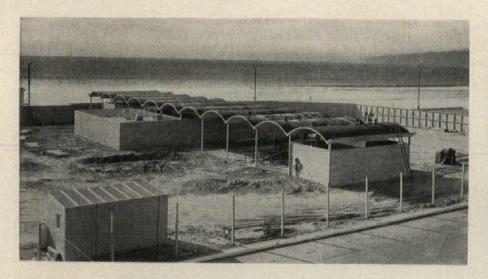
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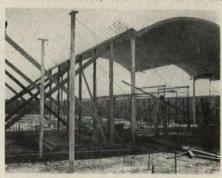
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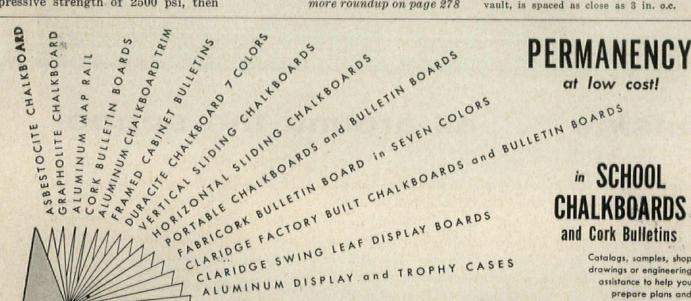
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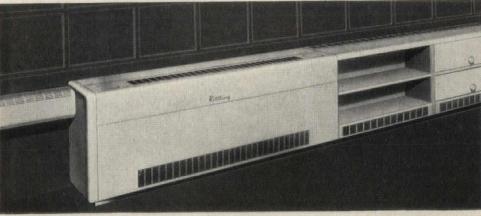
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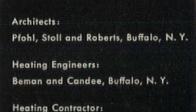
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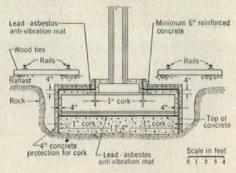
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### Lead Pads Damp Vibration From Underground Railroad Traffic

Lead-asbestos pads under its columns will cushion the new Union Carbide building against vibrations from the dense railroad traffic which runs in and out of Grand Central Stationpassing beneath the structure en route.

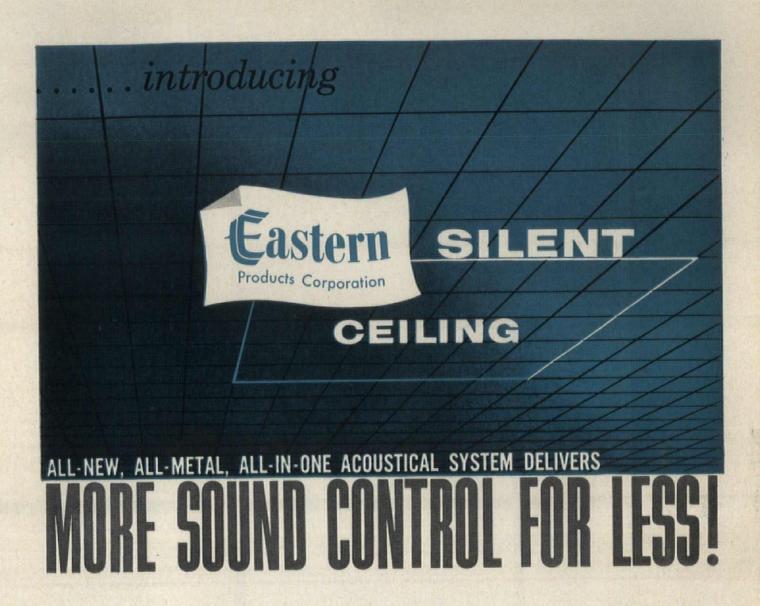
Each column, with its associated substructures, is set in a concrete pier lined with lead-asbestos anti-vibration mats on the floor and cork on the interior sides. The column itself rests on a grillage of I-beams laid over the pads. Above the grillage, around the column base, are additional lead pads which are covered with a 6 in. layer of reinforced concrete. The concrete supports ballast and railroad tracks which pass directly over either side of the pier.

The pads themselves are sandwich structures made up of a 12 gage steel core encased on each side by a 3/8 in. layer of asbestos and a 1/8 in. outer layer of sheet lead. The assembly is clamped together under 200 psi pressure, and its edges lead-sealed. The principle of the pads, which have been used for a number of similar applications, is the resistance offered to shock waves as they pass from one substance to another.



### Thermal Insulation With Reflective Surfaces

Building materials research at the National Bureau of Standards has shown that the thermal resistance of air spaces and typical fibrous insulating materials is substantially increased if they are surfaced or subdivided with highly reflective surfaces such as aluminum foil. Earlier research made available a method and the essential data for calculating the thermal conductance of uniform air spaces under various environmental conditions. However, it was not known how much the installation method might affect the insulating value of an air space formed in combination with a reflectively surfaced fibrous insulation, as com-



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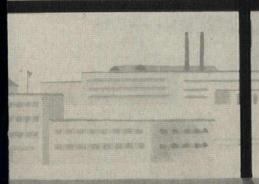
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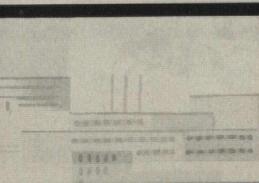
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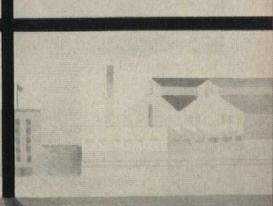
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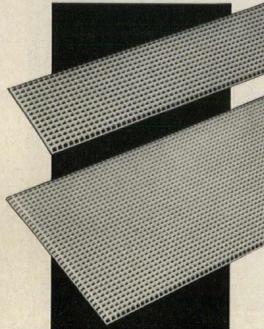
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pared to that of the exemplary type of space. Accordingly, the Bureau undertook to determine experimentally the insulating effects of a number of reflective and fibrous materials installed in different combinations, and to compare the results with calculated values based on the previously obtained data. Major findings were:

1. Observed and calculated insulating values agreed within 10 per cent or better in almost all cases where the air spaces conformed to those of the exemplary spaces with which the original data were obtained.

2. Condensation of moisture on reflective surfaces decreased the insulating effect of an air space.

3. The insulating value of tandem wedge-shaped air spaces formed by aluminum foil stretched diagonally from front to back faces of adjacent studs was less than that of air spaces of the same average thickness.

4. Circulation of air through three .58 in. holes in an aluminum foil membrane between tandem air spaces reduced the insulating effect of the spaces when they were vertical or at a 45 degree angle; had no effect when they were horizontal.

5. Radiation through minute perforations (65 per sq in.) in a membrane dividing two tandem air spaces decreased the insulating value of the membrane. Air circulation through the same apertures had no effect.

6. The thermal resistance of a thick air space with one reflective surface may depend in part on the position of that surface because of effects of radiation.

7. Observed and calculated resistances for panels insulated with a board-type fibrous insulation, with and without reflective surfaces, agreed within 7 per cent or better.

8. Observed resistance for panels insulated with foil-enclosed mineral wool blankets in approximate midspace were within about 10 per cent of calculated values, except for heat flow downward, when departures of about 20 per cent were found.

9. Applications of mineral wool blankets with aluminum foil on the warmer side were more effective with the blanket in mid-space of the panel or bowed in from the warm side than with it stretched over the warm or cold faces of the framing members.

The investigation was carried out in cooperation with the Aluminum Company of America by H. E. Robinson and F. J. Powell of the Bureau's heat transfer laboratory and L. A. Cosgrove of Alcoa's research fellowship at the Bureau.



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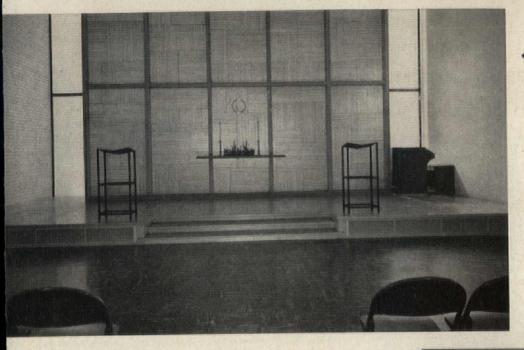


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# GENERAL OFFICES

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The stark simplicity of this Chicago church gives it an atmosphere of reverent dignity. The architects used subtle textured contrasts of several different materials as the theme of the design. Armstrong Asphalt Tile, with its gentle colorings and striking graining, handsomely complements the over-all aesthetic scheme. Its low cost was well within the church's building budget, Armstrong Asphalt Tile is scuff-resistant, keeping its luminous sheen with an occasional light waxing. And it will give years of satisfying service.

First Universalist Church, Chicago architects: Schweikher, Elting and Bennett

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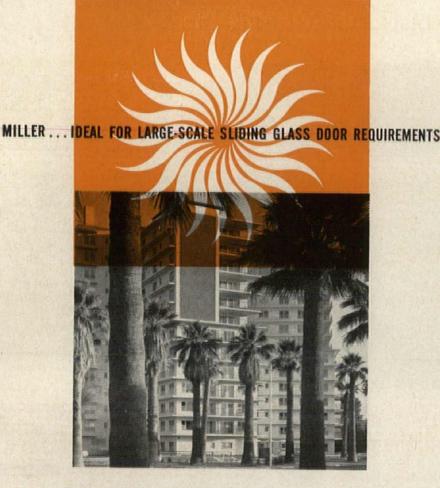
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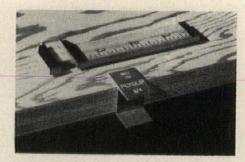
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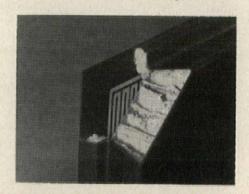
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### Edge Fastener For Plywood

PlyClips are new H-shaped aluminum alloy devices that are used to replace 2 by 4 in. wood blocking in plywood roof decks. They are designed to slip over the plywood panel edges at midspan between rafters or purlins and to stiffen the joint by transferring a concentrated load from one panel edge to the next. The clips are said to be a fully adequate substitute for 2 by 4 blocking with the exception of a plywood deck engineered as a horizontal diaphragm to transmit maximum allowable shear. Clips are available in sizes suitable for 3/8, 1/2, 5/8, 3/4, and 13/16 in. plywood thicknesses. Douglas Fir Plywood Association, 1119 A Street, Tacoma 2, Washington



## Curtain Wall Panel Heating Unit

A curtain wall panel has been developed that combines, in one package, a porcelain enameled outer skin, vermiculite-filled asbestos honeycomb core, an aluminized steel reflector, and an interior panel of porcelain enameled steel with an aluminum alloy heating element fused to the inside surface. This combination of curtain wall element, insulation, and radiant heating surface is said to save multiple installation costs as well as repainting, cleaning, heating system maintenance costs and space. A typical panel is  $2\frac{1}{16}$  in. thick and radiates over an included angle of 160 deg. The Bettinger Corporation, Waltham, Mass.

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# HERE'S WHY BETHLEHEM SLABFORM Saves You Time and Money



Bethlehem Slabform provides a safe working platform

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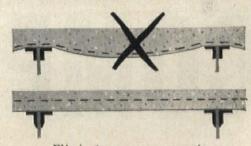
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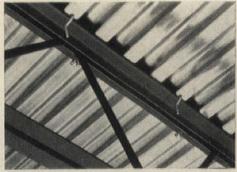
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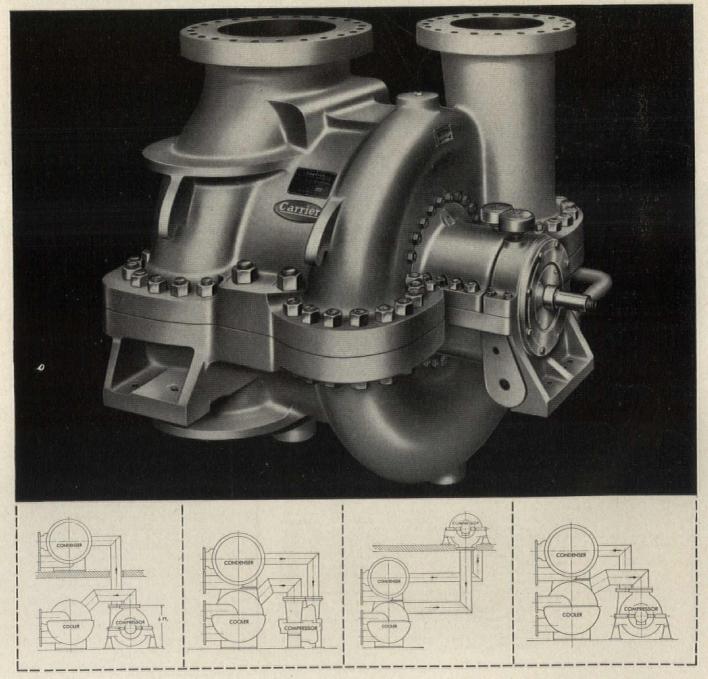
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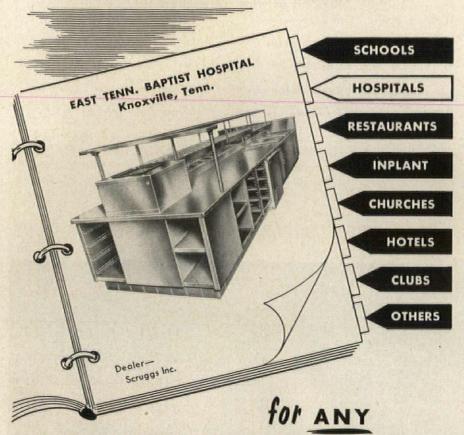
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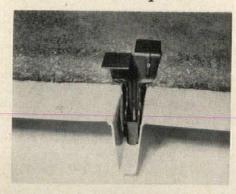
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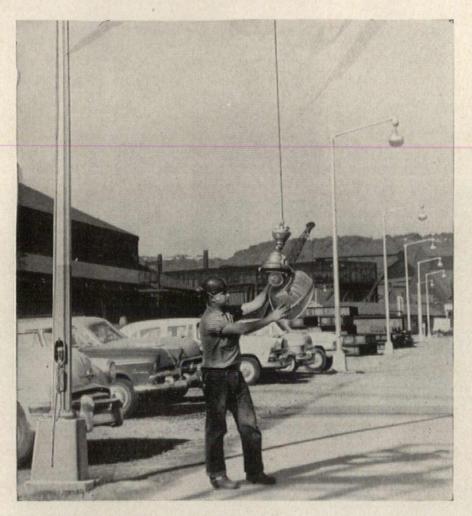
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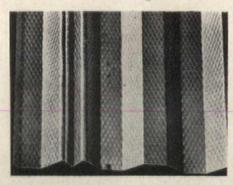
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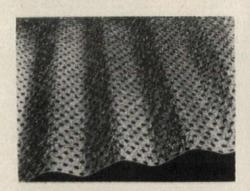
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#### Embossed, Corrugated Aluminum

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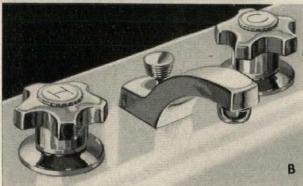
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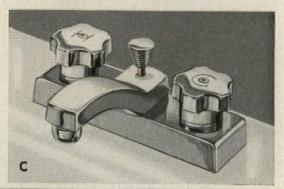


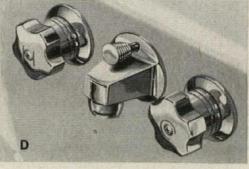


A. K-6927. Shower and bath fitting, diverter spout, ball joint Town House shower head.

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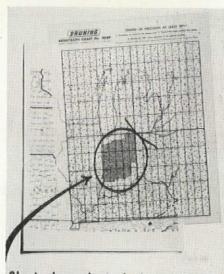


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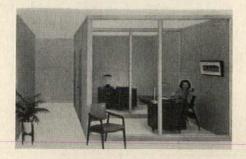
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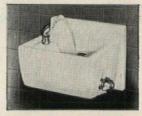
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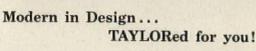
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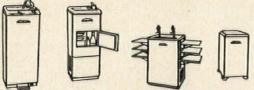
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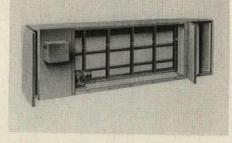
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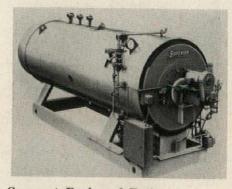
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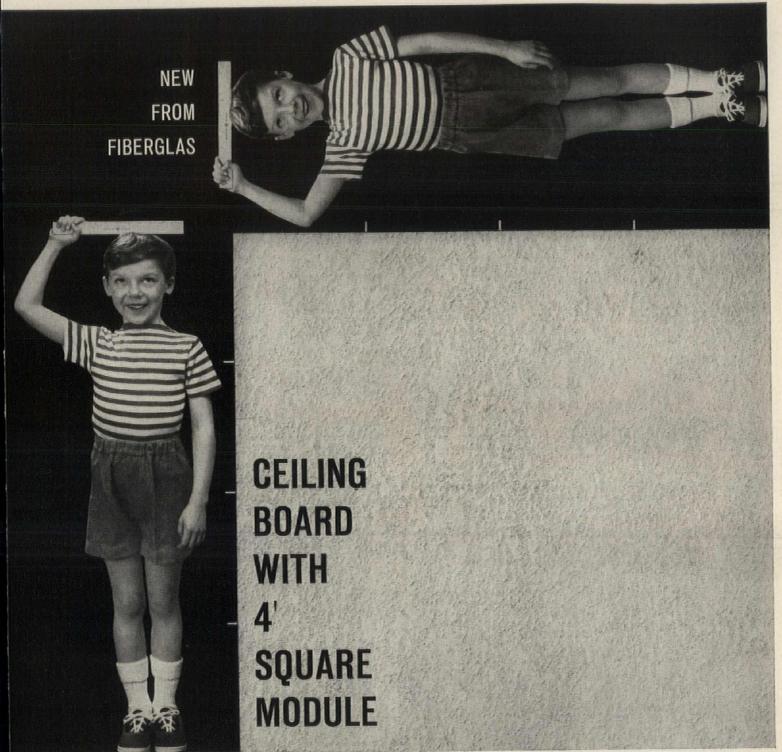
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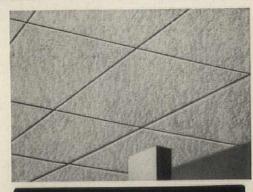
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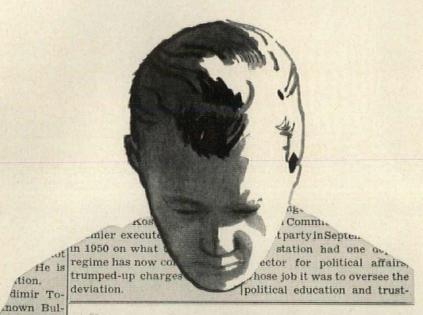
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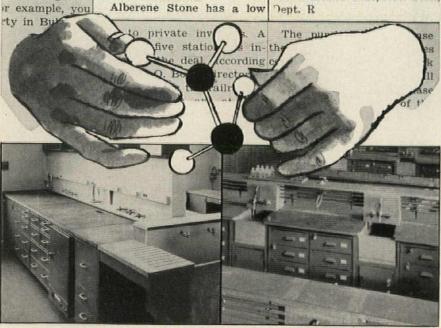
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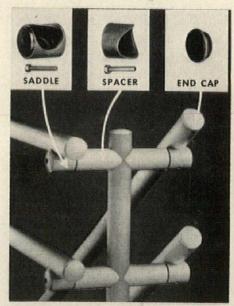
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#### Telephone/Intercom Combination

The Flexifone Dial Intercom combines the best features of a private telephone and an intercom, the telephone itself being designed to work into any Bell or independent tele-phone system. Up to eight remote speakers can be connected and it is possible to hold incoming telephone calls while talking to remote speaker locations. The unit is 5% in. high, 141/2 in. wide, and 93/4 in. deep and weighs 12 lb. DuKane Corporation, St. Charles, Ill.

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Electronic Data Center, Bell Aircraft Corporation, Buffalo, New York. (Inset shows floor plan.)

Electronic data center installed in specially designed building

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Group in conference room includes Robert J. Lichtenthal, Buffalo Electric Co., Westinghouse Distributor; Charles G. Jones, Walter H. Sherry and Associates, Consulting Engineers; George Dick Smith, Jr., Kideney, Smith & Fitzgerald, Architects and Engineers; Carl E. Diesen, Manager of Electronic Data Processing, Bell Aircraft Corporation; and Charles T. Hansen, Westinghouse Sales Engineer.



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Magnetic tape printer in computer room.



## Bell Aircraft computer facility required unusual plant planning

The need of Bell Aircraft for electronic computer facilities led to the design and construction of a new building which would meet the special demands of such an installation. The computer center, which will eventually serve all Bell plants, contains complete computer equipment, a communications center for the entire corporation, and all offices and business machines necessary for the operation of such an installation. Expansion area has been provided for a duplication of the present computer facilities.

To satisfy the rigid requirements for control of humidity and temperature in the computer room, it is centered in the building (as shown in the diagram) and is insulated from any outside walls by the corridor, offices and equipment rooms which surround it. The new electronic data center is located immediately adjacent to the Bell Aircraft plant in Buffalo, N. Y., but because of the self-sufficiency of its design and the completeness of its equipment, it could have been situated at any other site selected.

Included in the self-contained center is a Westinghouse electrical system to transform and distribute electrical power to the computer installation, business machines, air conditioning machinery, lighting and other electrical requirements.
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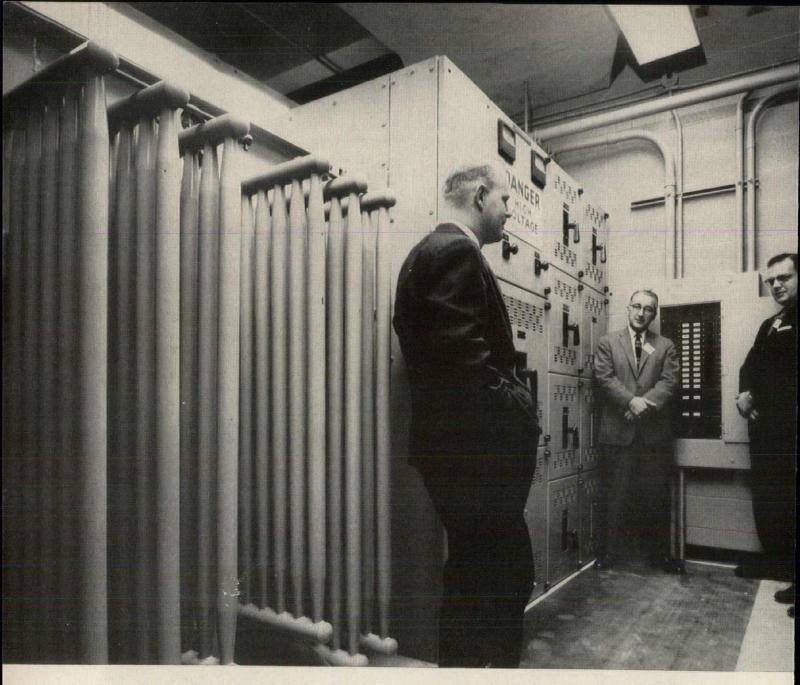
Robert Lichtenthal, James A. Reil, Ferguson Electric Construction Co., Electrical Contractors, and Charles Hansen discuss quietness and space-saving features which permit installation of Westinghouse 225-kva DT-3 dry-type transformer near office machines to which it supplies 120-v power.



Raymond E. Carroll, General Supervisor, Bell Electronic Data Processing, Charles G. Jones, Charles Hansen and George Dick Smith, Jr., examine the 150-kva Westinghouse power center supplying low-voltage power exclusively for computer equipment.



James Reil and Robert Lichtenthal check one of the two Westinghouse CDP panelboards which distribute 120 volts to the office machines from the Westinghouse 225-kva DT-3 dry-type transformer.



Charles Hansen, George Dick Smith, Jr., Charles G. Jones and Raymond E. Carroll discuss Westinghouse 500-kva building service power center. CDP panelboard is shown on wall at rear.

#### Bell Aircraft computer facility required unusual plant planning (continued)

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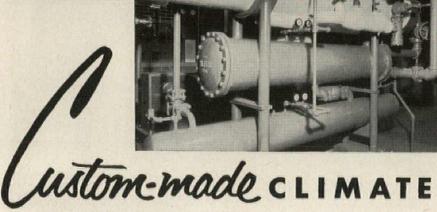
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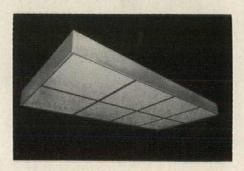
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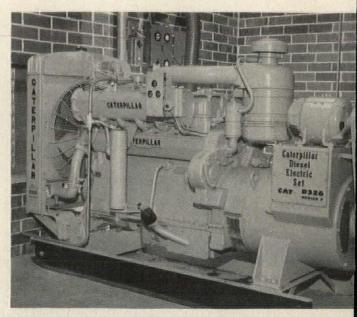
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A Cat D397 Electric Set is used for emergency power in case of a commercial power failure to insure power for this 16-floor Miami Beach Federal Building at Miami Beach. A wide variety of office buildings, hotels and industrial plants have found it both economical and good public relations to provide emergency power that can be depended on no matter what happens to normal power channels.

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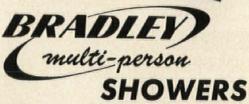
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#### Polyurethane Foam Data

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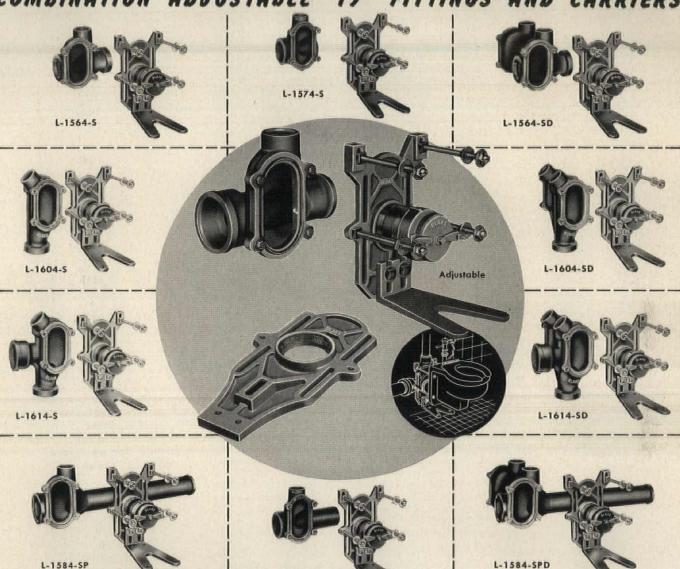
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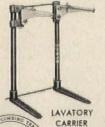
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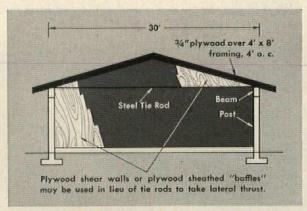
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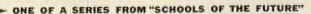
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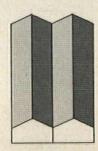
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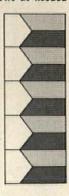
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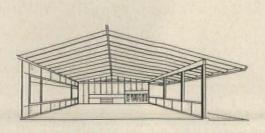
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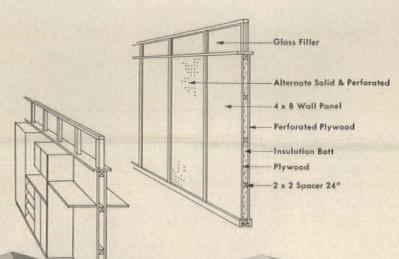


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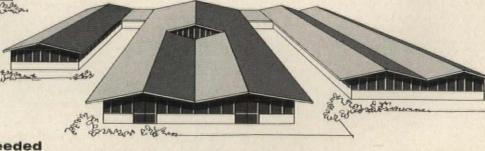


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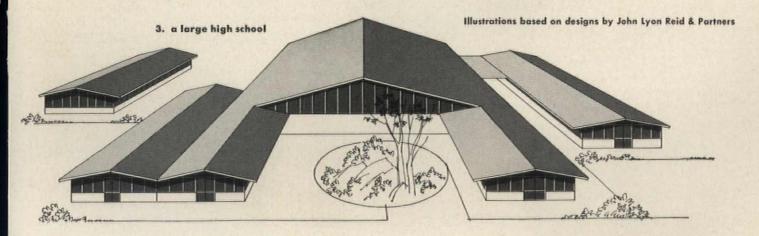
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Features case histories on elastomeric sealants in curtain wall installation. Illustrates proper methods of mixing and application. Thiokol Chemical Corporation, 780 North Clinton Avenue, Trenton 7, N. J.

#### Open Web Steel Joist Standard

American Standard A87.1-1957 gives specifications for materials, construction, fire resistance, and allowable safe loads, a revision of an earlier standard. American Standards Association, 70 East 45 Street, New York 17, N. Y.

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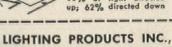
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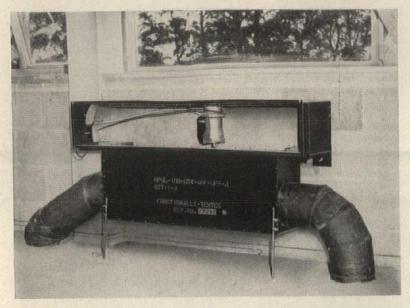
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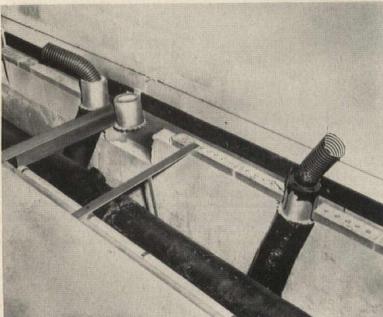


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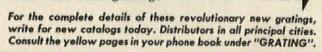
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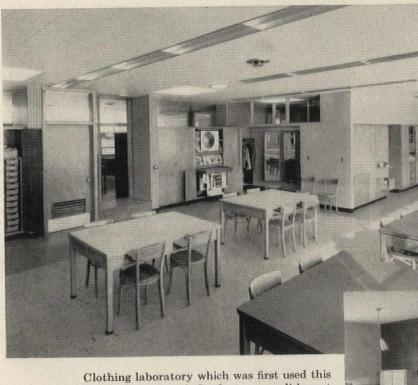
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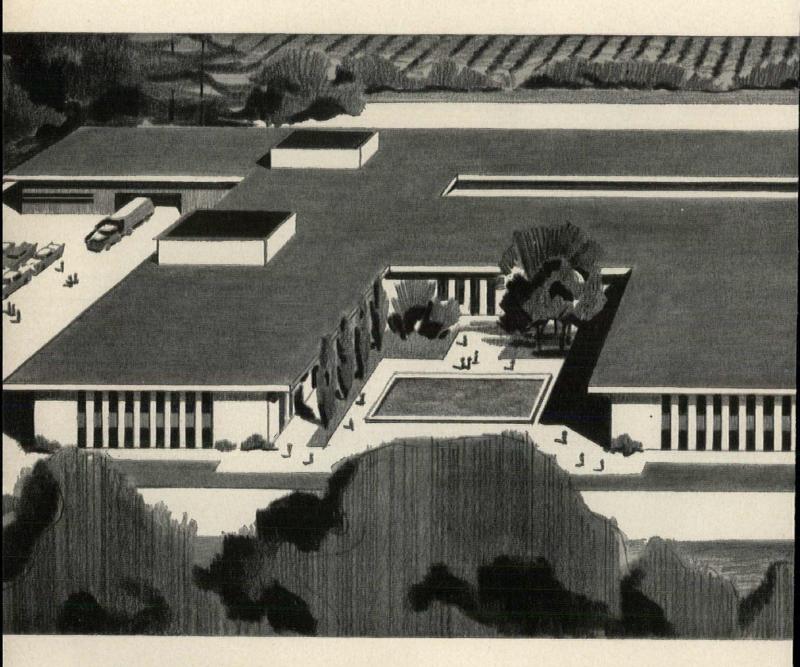
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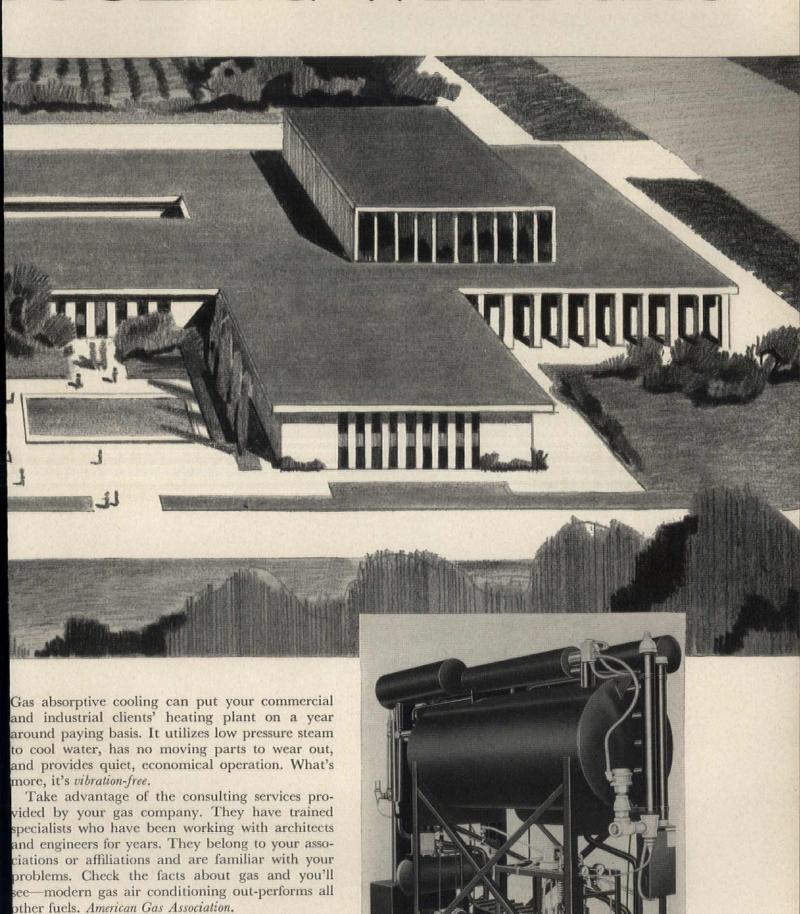
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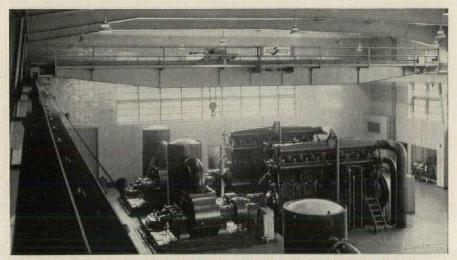
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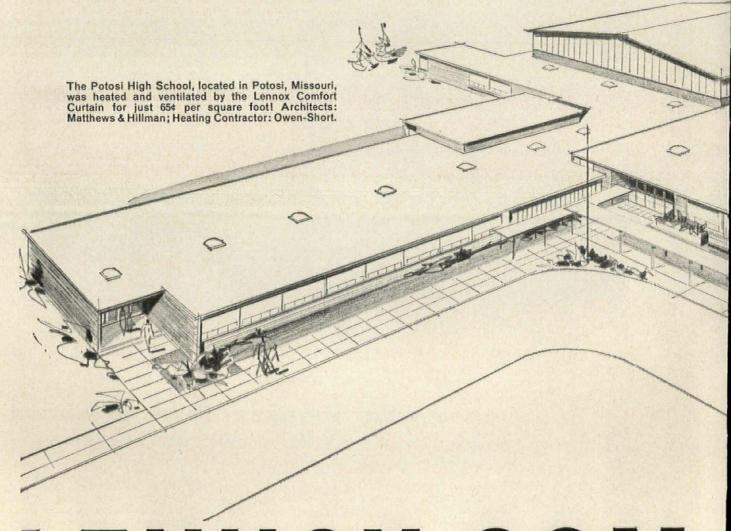
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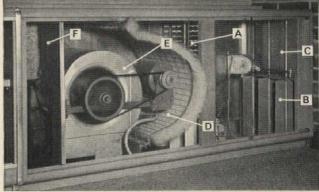
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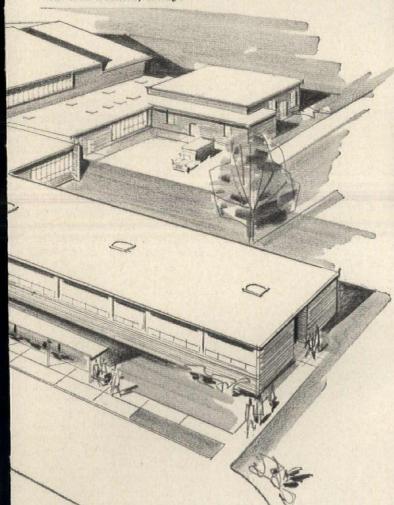
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#### **Industrial Floor Slabs**

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Many prefer to place the finish after the base has completely set as this finish is then installed after all other work is done on the building and thus is not apt to be damaged. Probably a more economical job will be obtained if the finish is placed immediately after the pouring of the concrete slab as labor will be saved in the proper preparation of the slab for receiving this finish and the concrete need be cured only once.

Following the preparation of the base the finish should be placed using as little water as possible. The finish should then be struck off to grade with a straight edge and thoroughly compacted using rollers or tampers. If small amounts of water or cement paste appear at the surface at this time the surface should be swept with a soft broom to remove these excess quantities. If large quantities appear at any time it is a sign that probably too much water was used and the job almost surely will end up unsatisfactorily. The addition of a dusting of either fine material or cement at this time to blot up the water will not help but will only make matters worse in that it will increase the tendency toward dusting after completion.

After the finish has been rolled or tamped it should be compacted and evened out by the use of a power float. This machine should be used only sufficiently to even out the top of the finish and to bring only enough mortar to the surface for the steel troweling which is to follow.

Usually after the power floating operation is completed the finish can be steel troweled. However, the steel troweling should wait until water sheen is no longer visible. If the troweling is done too soon, moisture and fine material will be drawn to the surface which will result in the tendency of the floor to dust. The floor should be lightly troweled. No attempt should be made to remove all the trowel marks.

The finish should then be properly cured. To cure properly the cement should not be permitted to dry out while hardening. This curing can be accomplished by keeping the finish continuously covered with water; by covering the finish with wet sand or wet burlap and frequently sprinkling this covering with water; by covering with a waterproof paper or other waterproof covering which has all its seams completely sealed; or by covering with a membrane curing com-

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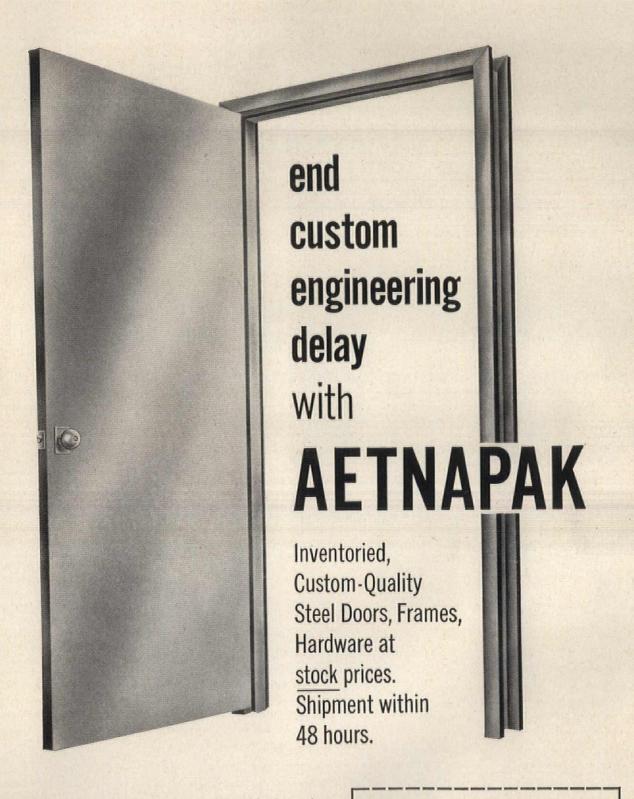
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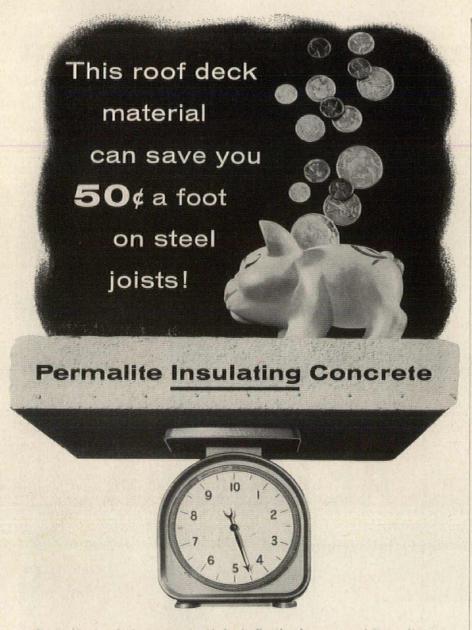
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1-3 Second Annual Meeting, Board
of Directors, Consulting Engineers Council—Drake Hotel,

San Francisco

Fifth Annual Conference for Engineers and Architects sponsored by the College of Engineering of Ohio State University—University Campus, Columbus

4-7 Annual Meeting, Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute—The Homestead, Hot

Springs, Va.

5-9 Convention and Exposition, National Restaurant Association—Navy Pier, Chicago

7-17 Second Annual United States World Trade Fair—The Coliseum, New York City

9-10 78th Annual Convention, Michigan Engineering Society—Civic Auditorium, Lansing, Mich.

9ff Exhibition of School Architecture—The Octagon, Washington, D. C.; through June 15

14-17 Annual Conference, Royal Institute of British Architects— Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England

18-21 27th Annual Conference, American Institute of Decorators— Sheraton-Plaza Hotel, Boston

18-22 National Planning Conference, American Society of Planning Officials—Washington, D. C.

19-21 Seventh Annual Convention, National Parking Association —Roosevelt Hotel, New York City

19-23 Annual Meeting, National Fire Protection Association—Palm-

er House, Chicago

25-29 51st Annual Meeting, Air Pollution Control Association— Sheraton Hotel, Pittsburgh

29ff World Assembly of Engineers and Architects, Friends of Israel, sponsored by the Association of Engineers and Architects of Israel—Technion, Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa

June.

aff 20th Century Design; the first exhibition in this country of an extensive selection of objects from the Museum's design collection—Museum of Modern Art, 11 West 53rd Street, New York City

6-22 Seventh Annual Boston Arts Festival—Public Garden, Bos-

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floor lath gives form to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inch slab. Previously Steelte was used on only 2- to 3-foot centers. The architect's decision to use Steeltex instead of wooden forms for six-foot spans was something new, but he soon saw it pay off as.

# New use for Steeltex saves \$26,000 at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit

On Henry Ford Hospital's fifth and sixth floor addition, a new use for Steeltex floor lath piled up savings of approximately \$26,000 on cost of materials and almost 50 percent on labor.

Architects for the \$3½-million job approved Steeltex and bar mats to support 200,000 square feet of 3½ inch concrete slab set on six-foot centers by an ingenious method.

Previously, Steeltex wire mesh reinforcing—sold by Pittsburgh Steel Products Division of Pittsburgh Steel Company—had been used on centers two to three feet apart.

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Steeltex gives clean, neat appearance underneath slab after shoring is removed. Pittsburgh Steel Products Salesman Russ Nutter shows A. M. Downes, field engineer for sub-contractor, Whitacre Engineering, how easily ceiling hangers were placed through Steeltex paper, thereby eliminating costly drilling of individual holes when wooden forms are used. Architect: Albert Kahn Associated Architects and Engineers of Detroit.

also requires temporary shoring. But there's one big difference. Once shoring is removed, Steeltex is not dismantled as wooden forms are. Result? Better safety, better housekeeping, greater time savings.

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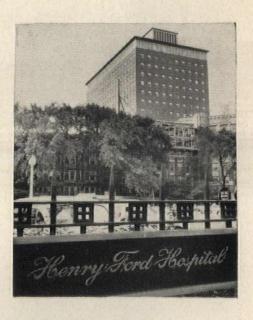
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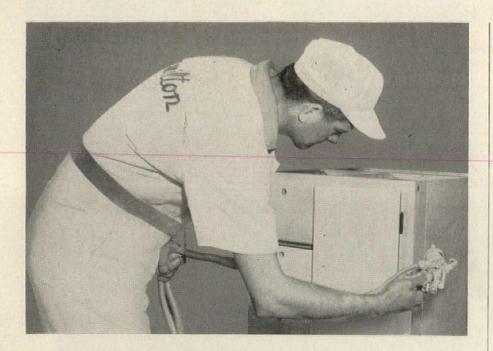
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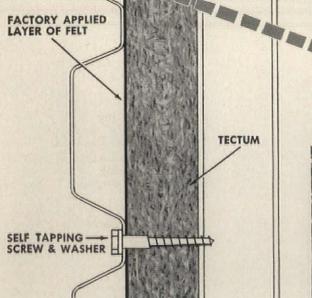
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- 9-12 National Conference on Materials Handling, the first since 1949 to be sponsored by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers—Public Auditorium, Cleveland
- 9-12 Eighth National Materials
  Handling Exposition—Public
  Auditorium, Cleveland
- 9-21 Triennial Meeting, International Organization for Standardization: general assembly, council and 15 technical committees—Harrogate, England
- 10-14 51st Annual Assembly, Royal Architectural Institute of Canada—Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Montreal
- 11-14 Annual Meeting of the National Society of Professional Engineers—Chase and Park-Plaza hotels, St. Louis
- 14-16 Annual Meeting, American Society for Testing Materials— Hotel Statler, Boston
- 16-18 Annual Meeting, American Association of Cost Engineers, in cooperation with Case Institute of Technology—Cleveland
- 22-27 12th Annual Meeting, Forest Products Research Society— Madison, Wis.
- 22-28 National Convention (second of three in 1958), American Society of Civil Engineers— Portland, Ore.
- 23-25 Second Annual Conference of American Craftsmen, sponsored by the American Craftsmen's Council—Lake Geneva, Wis.
- 23-25 Joint Meeting of the American Society of Heating and Air-Conditioning Engineers and the American Society of Refrigerating Engineers—Hotel Leamington, Minneapolic
- 23 The Dwelling House: An Emerging Technology; Special Summer Program presented jointly by the Department of Architecture and the Course in Building Engineering and Construction of the Department of Civil and Sanitary Engineering Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.; through July 2
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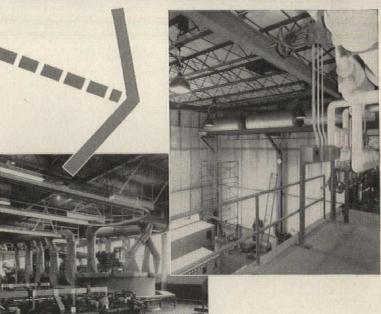


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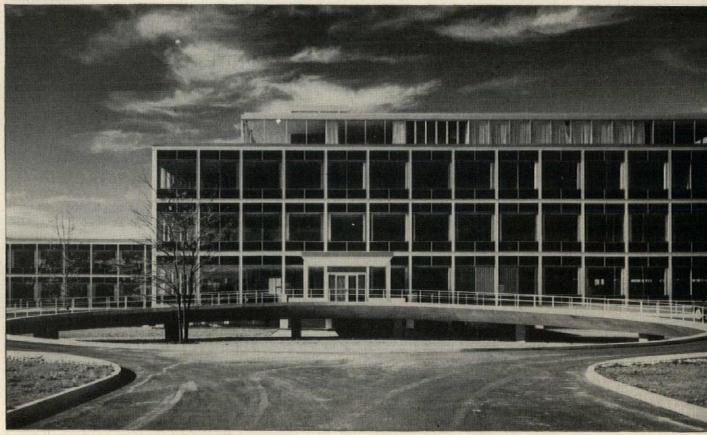
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Albert A. Erkel & Associates, Consulting Structural Engineers, have opened new offices at 3515 Cahuenga Blvd., Los Angeles.

Charles Haeuser, Architect, has announced establishment of an office at 7254 North Beach Drive, Fox Point, Milwaukee 17, Wis.

Elliot Saltzman, A.I.A., Architect, announces the opening of his office at 356 Fulton St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y.

Edmund J. Schrang, Architect, has opened new offices at 5459 North Port Washington Road, Milwaukee 17, Wis. James Thalman, Architect, will be associated with Mr. Schrang in the new office.

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John Stetson Associates, Architects, of Palm Beach, announce the opening of a branch office at 501 East Palmetto Road, Boca Raton, Fla.

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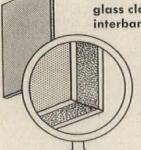


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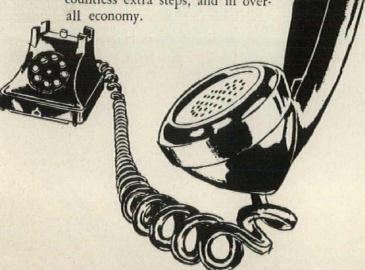


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### Reactor Design Policy Outlined in AEC Semiannual Report

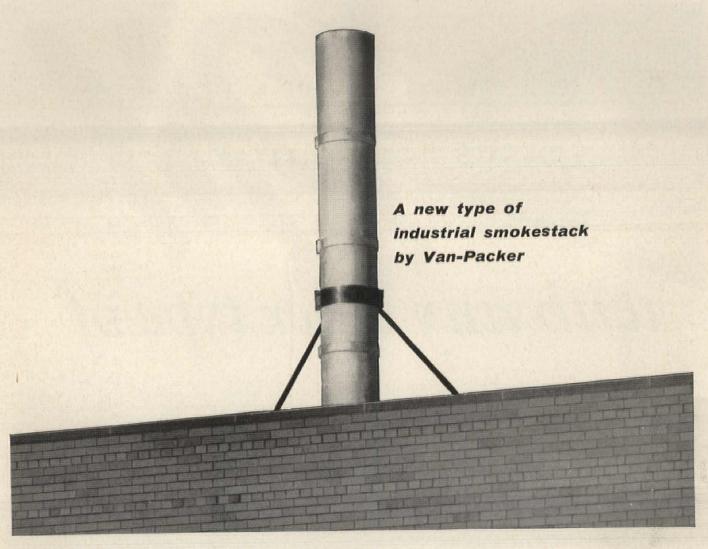
The Atomic Energy Commission is keeping its reactor designs as simple as possible. The conservative approach has the two-fold purpose of protecting against uncertainties in technology and against inadequate experience with the specific systems.

Architects and engineers designing full scale prototype plants later on will have the benefit of experience gained in construction and operation of the reactor experiments. The Commission discusses this policy in its twenty-third semiannual report recently issued:

"They will be able to substitute for the initial understandably excessive conservatism a confidence based on knowledge and experience. In addition, they will need to place significantly less emphasis on experimental flexibility in the reactors and the complications in design this requires. Major design simplification can accordingly be expected even in some of the earliest full-scale plants."

Some of these effects already are evident, the Commission explains. Examples are the plant designs for the Yankee, Commonwealth, Consolidated and Consumers Public Power District projects.

Reduced construction costs are a very important product of this decision.



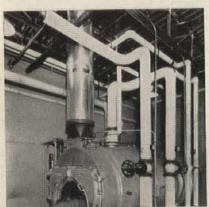
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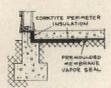
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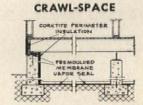
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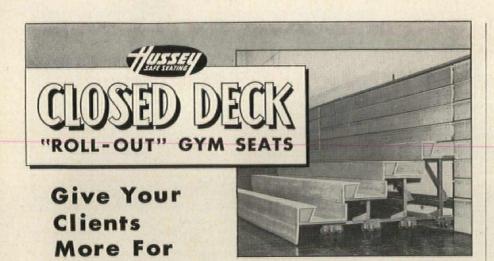
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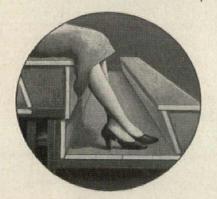
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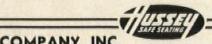
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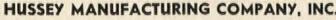
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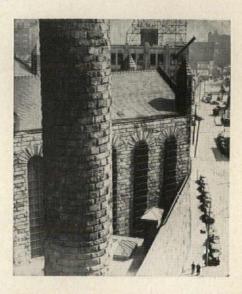


Richardson Admirers Rally for Another Battle on Jail

A new threat to H. H. Richardson's great Allegheny County Courthouse and Jail in Pittsburgh has the "Friends of the Ross Street Prison," the famous local group which formed a thin line of defense during a 1954 attack, manning the barricades once more. This time the enemy is the County Planning Commission, which is reported to favor tearing down the walls which enclose the jail and remodeling the interior for use as an office building.

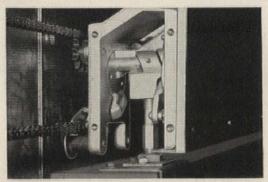
The courthouse and jail complex, respected in the world of architecture as one of Richardson's most important works, last year was among the buildings selected in an ARCHITECTURAL RECORD poll as one of the most significant buildings of the last hundred years.

When in 1954 Conrad Hilton was reported to be eying the jail property as a possible hotel site, the public showed little concern for the destruction this prospect implied. The newspapers, in fact, applauded it, and greeted the efforts of the little group of architects, historians and historically-minded citizens who opposed it with astonishment and ridicule. But when Mr. Hilton looked elsewhere, that battle became a victory for the weak.



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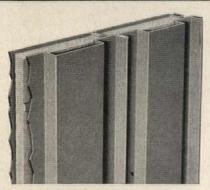
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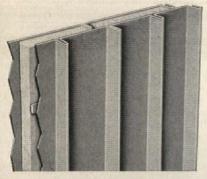
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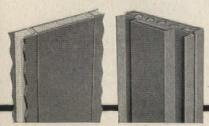
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Quadrangle House Scheme Offers Privacy in "Row Housing"

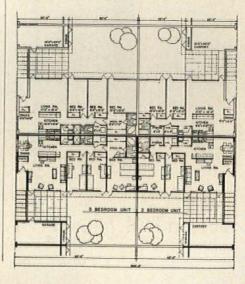
A design concept developed by the New York architectural firm of Frederick G. Frost Jr. and Associates puts four one-story housing units on a rectangular plot so that though each has a common interior wall with another each also occupies a corner site, has its own completely private patio, its own entrance and its own garage or carport. The "Quadrangle House" even provides, through a clerestory with operable windows, light and air on a third side of each unit. The basic scheme (as shown here in model photograph and plan) would have two two-bedroom and two three-bedroom houses occupying a 100-ft sq quadrangle.

Construction would be slab-onground, masonry block, and glass. Except for the clerestories, the glass areas look out on the patios, each separated by a wall from that of the

adjoining house.

In discussing the scheme at a recent press conference in New York, Mr. Frost emphasized that the plan is not restricted to rectangular plots, as the design of the component units permits a variety of arrangements.

The scheme is thus proposed as applicable to development in any part of the U.S. and "especially suited to suburban areas or the outlying residential areas of large cities." Unit price to home buyers is estimated at \$13,000 to \$16,000.



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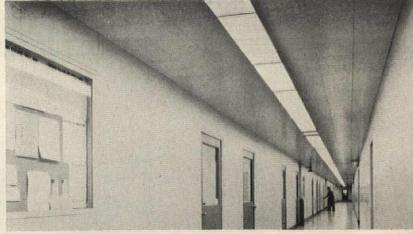
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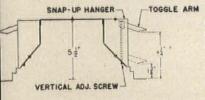
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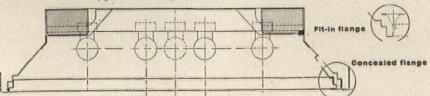
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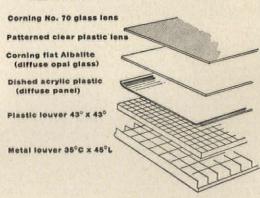
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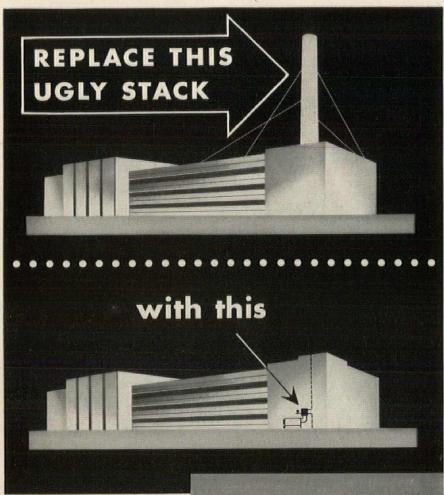
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#### New Kind of Concept for BOQ Approved by Air Force

Concept drawings for a multistory officers quarters building which may become a prototype have been approved by the Air Force for construction at Mather Air Force Base, Sacramento, Cal. Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall, architects and engineers, developed the concept on the basis of Air Force definitive drawings also designed by them.

The eight-story scheme was developed to combat rising costs of land and site development after these factors had made an earlier design for a series of two-story buildings each housing 40 men too expensive.

As now conceived, the single building, containing more than 160,000 sq ft, will provide for 408 men in two-man living and sleeping suites (many comprising living room, two bedrooms, bath and provisions for a kitchenette), plus administrative facilities including lobby and lounge areas. Fourteen of the officers' suites will be set aside to accommodate transients. Storage and utilities are in the basement; utilities will be distributed through the building via vertical-type chasers.

Construction will be exposed concrete, with aluminum windows and louvers. The building will have two automatic elevators and a service ramp leading from the street level to the basement. The heating and cooling system will provide for individual room temperature control.

Parking facilities for 408 cars will be provided, and the site planning allows for future construction of two identical buildings.

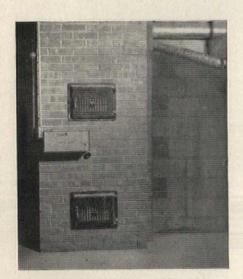
Estimated cost of approximately \$3 million would be within the Congressional cost limitation of \$7500 per man.

Construction bids for the first building are expected to be asked next October. The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers is the design and construction agency for the Air Force.

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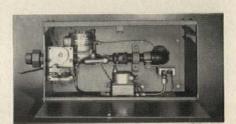
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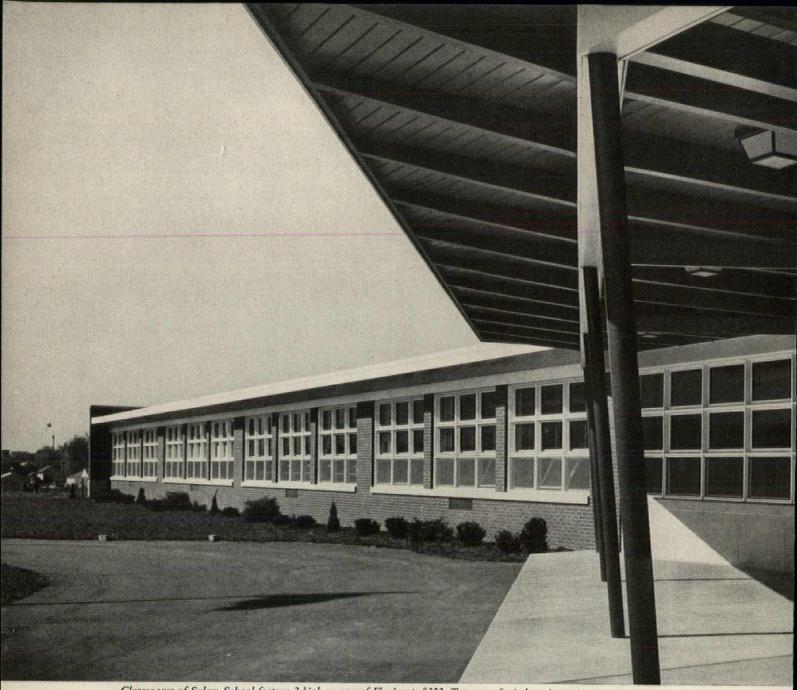
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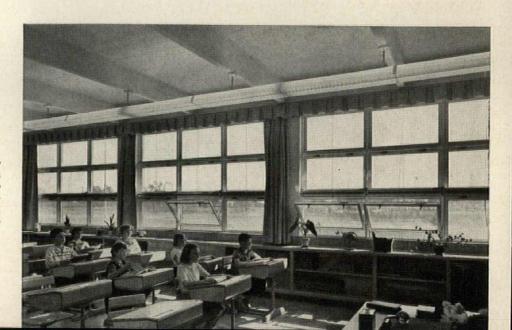
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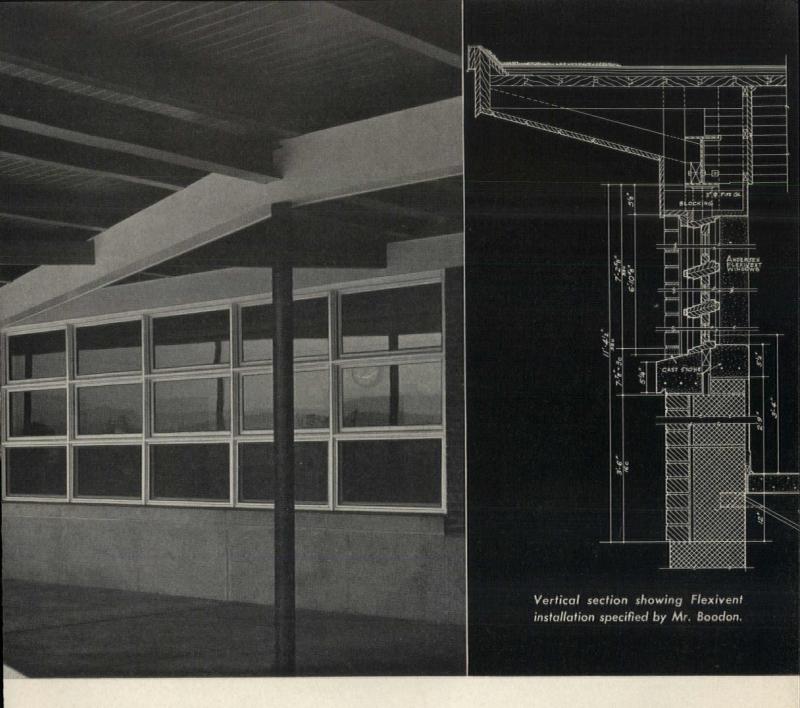


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#### A BOQ With a View Proposed For San Diego by the Navy

Bachelor officers of the U. S. Naval Training Center at San Diego will be housed in this new BOQ designed by Welton Becket and Associates of Los Angeles. A generous allotment of glass and balconies will open views of San Diego Bay to the south and Point Loma to the west and north.

The structure will be arranged in two parts: a long narrow (351 ft by 41 ft) three-story wing for housing,



Rendering of bachelor officers' quarters of San Diego naval training center shows outlook over part of the Navy's base; long wing with galleries contains apartments; smaller wing, lounge and mess hall

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fronted along the bay, and a smaller, one-story wing to contain lounge, galley and mess hall. Space in the housing wing is planned around a central core of bathrooms; it can be arranged variously as one-, two- or three-room suites, each accommodating one or two officers. Access to the rooms will be from the balconies, and traffic between floors will be handled by three outside stairways at the center and at either end of the wing. The main entrance to the building will be located between the two wings.

The building is designed to house 140 officers of the Fleet Sonar School and the Naval Training Center. If necessary, it can be expanded in the future to house 300, by the addition of galley equipment and of two wings across the center of the main building, and by removing the walls of the lounge and the mess hall outward.

The structure of the BOQ will be of flat-slab reinforced concrete; balconies will be metal. Estimated cost of construction is \$1,234,500.

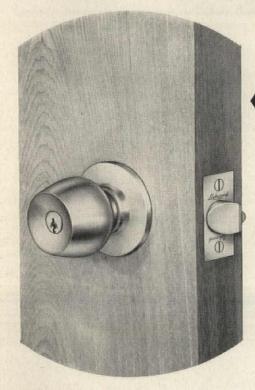


#### New Building Nears Completion For Army Staff College

A \$5 million academic building which will add 300,000 sq ft of classroom space at the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan., is expected to be ready for occupancy this summer. It will be completely air conditioned. Architects: Kivett & Myers; Angus McCallum, Associate.

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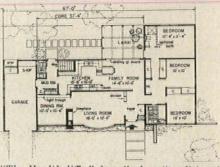
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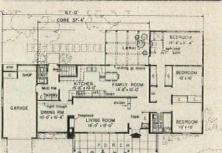
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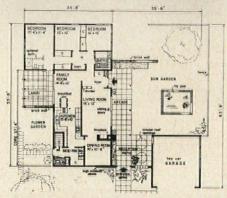
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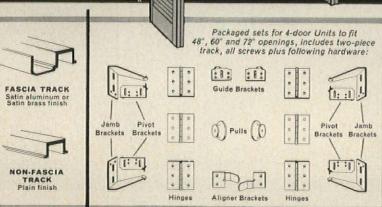




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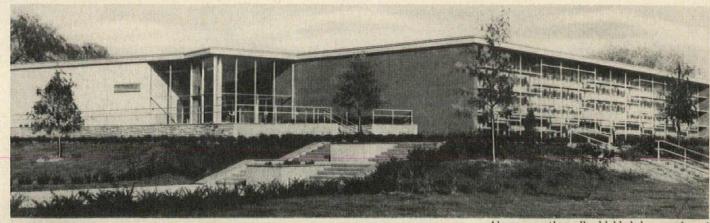
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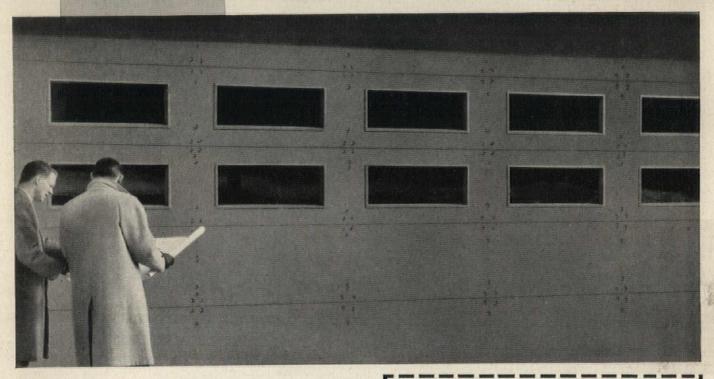
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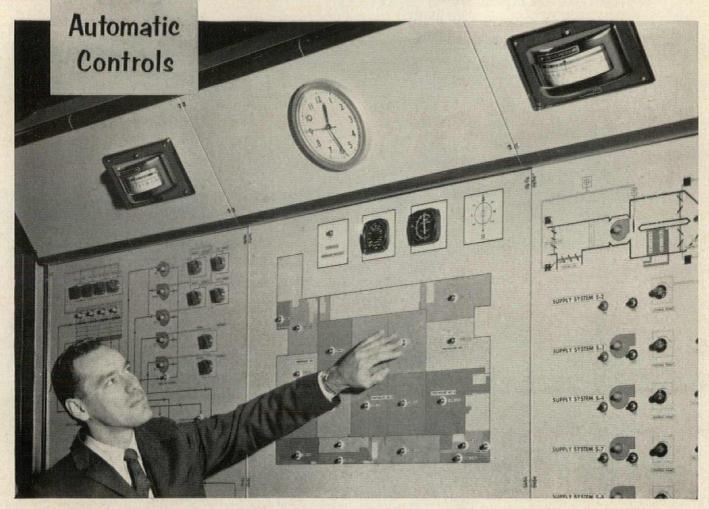
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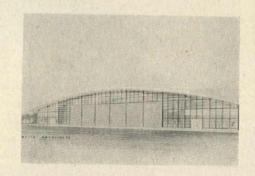


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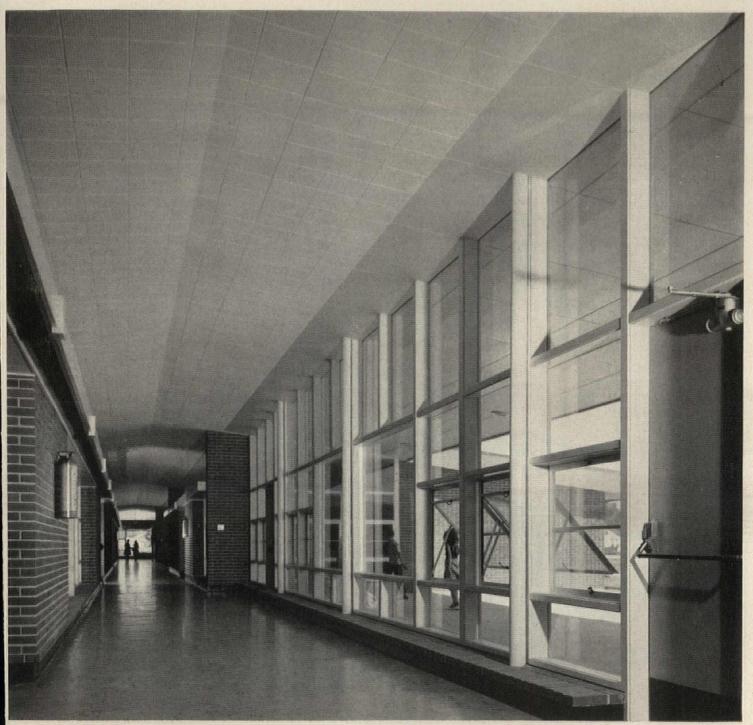
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At the time the Frelinghuysen measure was introduced, there did not appear to be sufficient supporting strength in the House committee to force its being scheduled for hearings. Supporters were confident, however, that this support could be mustered after the Easter recess.

#### Presidential Support Sought

Meanwhile, 13 House Democrats wrote a letter to the President urging him to throw his full weight behind Federal aid to school construction.

Signers significantly included Representatives Roosevelt (D-Calif.), and Powell (D-N. Y.), who supported the measure last year but were deeply

involved in anti-segregation arguments that influenced its defeat. In the letter to the White House both Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Powell promised to back Federal assistance to school construction all the way.

Noting President Eisenhower had not proposed any such legislation this year aside from the impactedarea program, the 13 Democrats asked, "Which is more important, Mr. President, adequate classrooms or chrome-trimmed letter chutes?"

Pinpointing the absence of any school construction proposals in the Administration's many public works moves aimed at lessening the recession, the letter stated, "If our recovery needs to be stimulated by new Federal programs, surely united action to build schools for our children is the most worthwhile of all the programs now under construction."

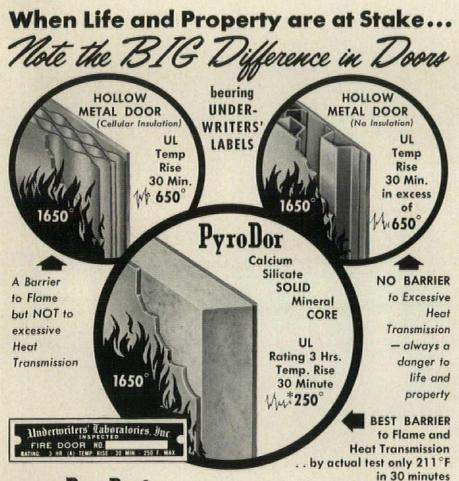
Also, the President was reminded by the House Democrats signing the statement of his special message to Congress last year in which he described classroom shortages in many localities as the most critical problem in education. That, of course, was before Sputniks I and II.

The letter to Mr. Eisenhower contended that the classroom shortage still persists.

#### New School Aid Bill Proposes Tax Rebate Approach

Another Federal aid to education bill was tossed into the Congressional mill just before the Easter recess by Rep. Patrick J. Hillings, California Republican. It was the first measure this year proposing a rebate of Federal taxes to each state to be used for improving educational systems. Because of its method of financing school improvement-including emphasis on school building construction-the bill was referred to the Ways and Means Committee rather than to the Education and Labor Committee which handles school construction aid legislation.

The Hillings measure provides for a return to the states, territories and the District of Columbia of a portion of all Federal taxes collected during a calendar year. Each political unit would receive a percentage of Federal taxes collected from it, that portion depending upon the size of the tax take. States with \$10 billion or more in Federal tax collections would be entitled to a one per cent refund; those with \$5 billion to \$10 billion in annual Federal tax receipts would receive two per cent, and those with Federal tax collections running from \$1 billion to \$5 billion could take a three per cent refund. The states and



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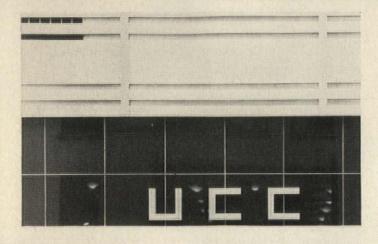
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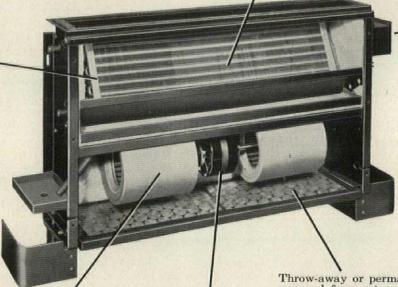
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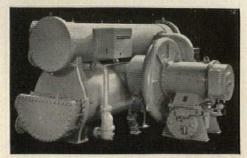
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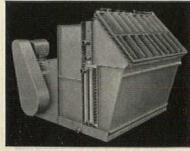
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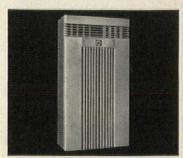
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The states would be free to use this money to construct new schools, enlarge existing ones, increase teachers' salaries and for other educational purposes. The only restriction imposed by Representative Hillings' bill would be that states would have to agree not to reduce their normal expenditures for schools upon receipt of the Federal rebates.

It is claimed this proposal circumvents two strong objections to previous Federal aid to education measures where direct appropriations by Congress were required. The author said his plan eliminates any threat of Federal control over the public education system, and is so set up that no state would be called upon to subsidize education in another state.

The Treasury is expected to oppose the measure if and when hearings are scheduled by the Ways and Means group.

## Death Blow for Lease-Purchase? No Funds Allotted for 1959

The Federal government's program of acquiring building space by the lease-purchase method trailed off in the wake of a death blow administered by the House Appropriations Committee. The Committee's report on a \$6.5 billion independent offices appropriations measure for fiscal 1959 recommended no funds for the lease-purchase program and approved \$177.2 million for the erection of 66 public buildings in 28 states with these direct appropriations.

Applicable to fiscal 1959, beginning July 1, the committee's action could raise some fine legal points regarding lease-purchase contracts entered into before mid-year if Congress were to take the recommendation and the President sign the bill. The latter was almost automatic, assuming Congressional passage, since a major money measure is involved.

Meanwhile, General Services Administration, administering agency, was faced with the delicate task of carrying on with what was left of lease-purchase in the shadow of the new report which expressed the committee's intent unequivocally.

Running directly against Administration policy in the matter, the report termed the lease-purchase method of building construction expensive and cumbersome when compared with direct appropriation methods. It carefully pointed out that the taxpayer pays \$1.64 under lease-purchase for every \$1.00 he would spend under the use of direct appropriated funds. A General Accounting Office tabulation testified to this.

The report had its acrimonious side too. Committee members complained that GSA Administrator Franklin G. Floete had refused to halt the program until the legislative unit could review it. His action was called arbitrary and without respect for the Congressional request.

Congressional request. The dispute was argued again on the House floor where the bill was passed with the committee's wishes respected. Representative McGregor (Ohio) led the futile fight against direct appropriations for the building program, answering charges of a five per cent interest rate by those opposing lease-purchase with an explanation that the rate on projects now being bid by the GSA run closer to four per cent. The cost differential stands at only 1.6 per cent, he said, because under direct funding the money must be borrowed by the government. He noted, too, that under lease-purchase Uncle Sam pays taxes on the property. Under the direct method, the tax responsibility is re-

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Congress voted lease-purchase authority per se out of existence a year ago, but it said the 92 projects in the program and approved by House and Senate Public Works committees at the time could go forward. GSA has been working on these with better success since the four per cent interest limitation was removed some months ago.

In its controversial report, the House Appropriations Committee

eliminated funds for half a dozen large office buildings in the District of Columbia. It said the unemployment problem was not so pressing here, so approval of money for these projects would be deferred. Its action left unaffected the Post Office Department's direct lease program, which allows private capital to construct needed facilities and lease them to the government.

Not many weeks before the House Committee's report was made public, Administrator Floete told a subunit of the group that if Congress were to pass an expanded public buildings program, his agency could not get projects underway until early in 1959. He felt GSA could not spend more than the \$165 million scheduled for construction outlay this year—\$100 million for 41 lease-purchase projects and \$65 million for repair and improvement of government buildings.

Asked about the velocity of a \$2 billion post office construction program if that were to be approved by the White House, Mr. Floete testified it could have no immediate effect on the current economic slump. His reply, in part: "We think we could get going on a crash program of a substantial number of smaller post offices, such as were built in the thirties, in about nine months. But this would take us through the calendar year 1958."

GSA's future plans for lease-purchase construction had called for spending around \$224 million in fiscal 1959 on 34 projects in addition to the regular repair and improvement activity. The agency had hoped to complete 72 of the 93 jobs in the program and finish the remainder the following year. Mr. Floete disclosed that another 160 cities where Federal building space is vitally needed had been studied by his agency.

The Administrator estimated that approximately \$300 million would be required to construct the 72 projects his agency has been planning for lease-purchase erection in the remaining part of fiscal 1958 and fiscal 1959.

#### Administration Steps Up Spending On Three Aid Programs

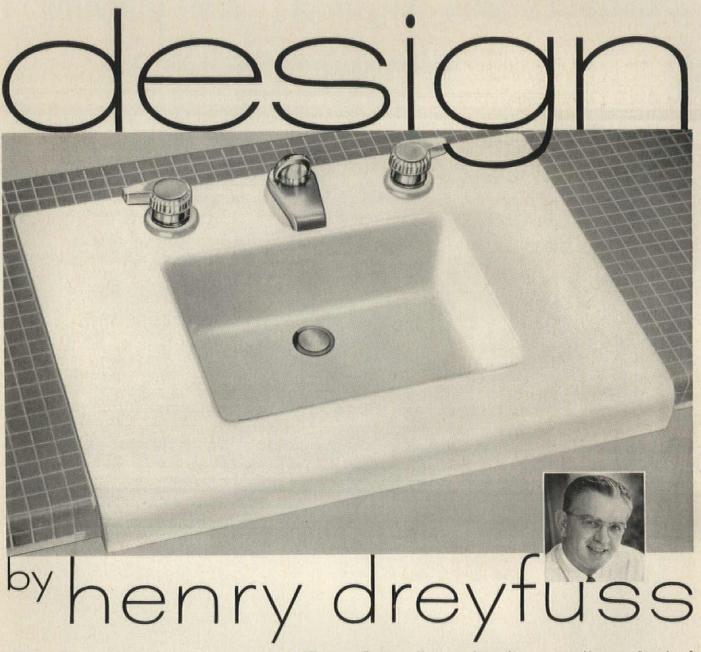
The Administration moved early in April to pump an additional \$130 million into three Federally aided construction programs, raising January expenditure estimates of \$670 million to more than \$800 million by mid-year.

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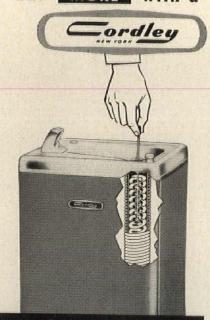
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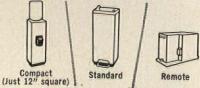
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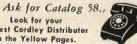
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In hospital construction, contracts scheduled for letting in the current fiscal period have jumped from an estimated \$381 million to around \$405 million. The Federal share would be approximately \$135 million. President Eisenhower, as part of his effort to increase Federal spending as rapidly as possible as a counter-recession move, increased the Administration's request for appropriations for Hill-Burton hospital construction during fiscal 1959 from the January budget estimate of \$75 million to \$121 million. If this appropriation increase is forthcoming from Congress, as it almost certainly will be, contracts let during fiscal 1959 would increase from \$298 million-the original estimate-to \$423 million.

Contracts to be let this fiscal year for building municipal waste treatment plants will jump from the original estimate of \$170 million to \$215 million, with the Federal share estimated at around \$57 million.

Despite the effort to speed the lastnamed program immediately, the Administration had not altered its position spelled out in the January budget calling for a termination of the aid to waste treatment plant construction. This White House attitude has been criticized severely by proponents of the Federal water pollution control grants. Bills have been introduced in Senate and House to increase the aid, from \$50 million each year to \$100 million, and to raise the ceiling on individual project grants from \$250,-000 to \$500,000.

The current law's author, Rep. John A. Blatnik (D-Minn.), has attacked the Administration's position on grounds the taxpayers will be pouring out billions of dollars needlessly in the years ahead to correct water pollution if the plan is discontinued. The President's budget proposes cutting the \$50 million annual authorization by \$5 million for fiscal 1959, then ending the program altogether in fiscal 1960. In this proposal, Mr. Eisenhower was following the recommendation of his joint Federal-State Action Committee formed as a result of the Governor's Conference in Williamsburg, Va., nearly a year

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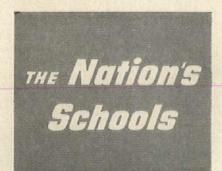
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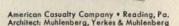


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Argument on this measure, introduced by Sen. Fulbright (D-Ark.), chairman of the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, and others, revealed a partisan division that was not present in consideration of the other bills.

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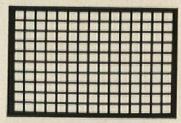
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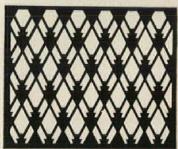
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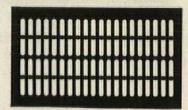
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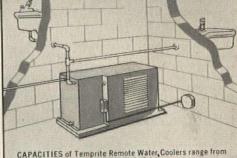
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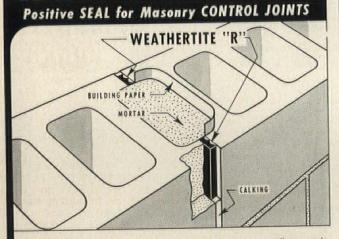
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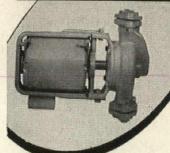


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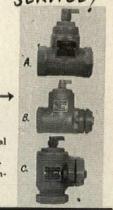
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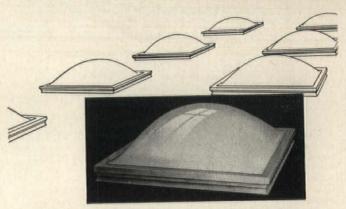
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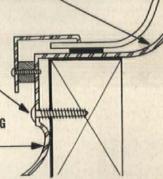


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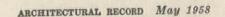
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An amendment in committee would increase the authorization for the advance planning program-also administered by CFA-raising its ceiling from the present \$48 million to \$98 million. These advances are made to communities interest-free with repayment required upon start of construction.

CFA spokesman and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce were among those opposing the legislation in hearings. The American Municipal Association and other trade association groups supported it.

#### Propose Extending and Increasing Federal Aid to Airports

New legislation has been introduced in Congress to extend the Federal Aid to Airports act for four more years. It would provide an additional \$75 million in emergency aid this fis-

In introducing the bill, its sponsor, Sen. Mike Monroney (D-Okla.), said financing in the present program is not sufficient to meet the needs of local communities which have voted airport funds and now wait in a long line to receive the money promised them for airport construction.

He estimated that cities expecting to be on the jet schedules will have to spend from \$5 million to \$15 million to be ready for these new, faster planes, adding, "If there are available only the limited funds which we prorate at a maximum of \$1 million a year to any one airport to match the funds that have been voted by the cities, we will stretch out the work program by five to seven years.'

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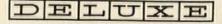


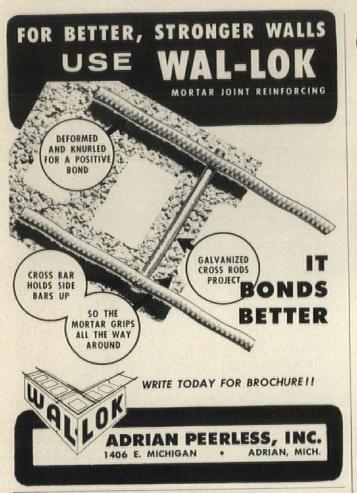
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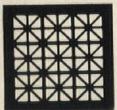
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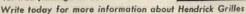
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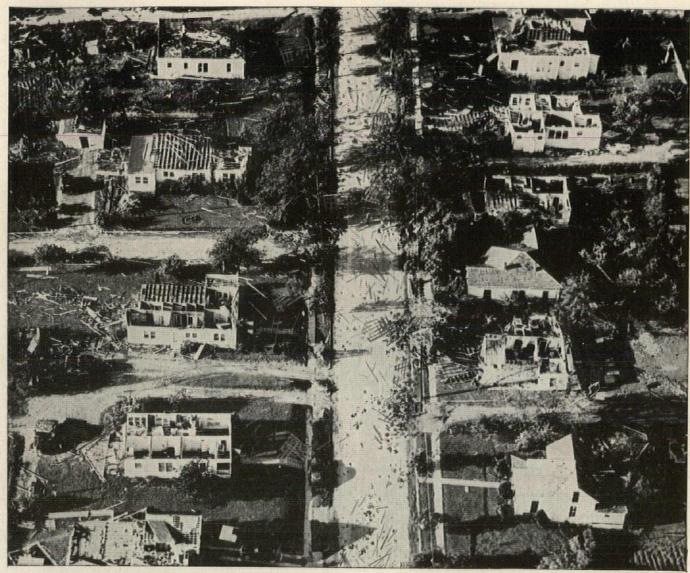
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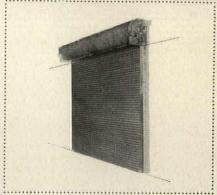
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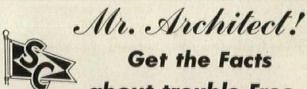




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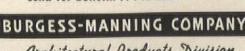
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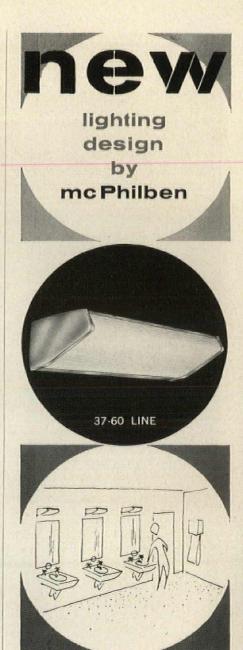
Gardeners and architects throughout the world are fortunate that Mr. Yoshida was able to complete this book before his death in 1956. It is a perfect complement to "The Japanese House and Garden," by Mr. Yoshida, which was published in English for the first time in 1955.

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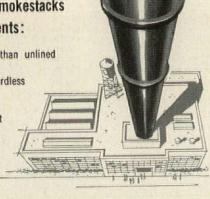
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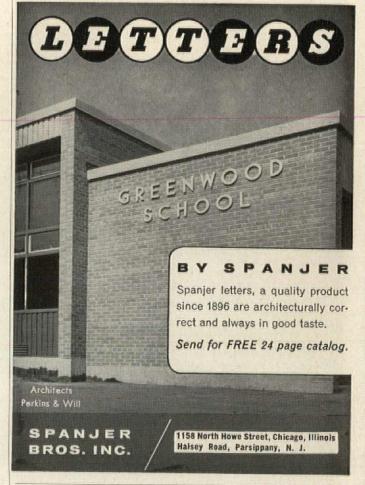
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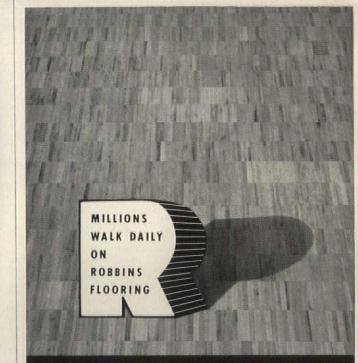
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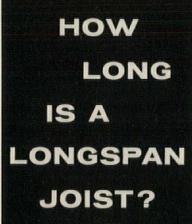
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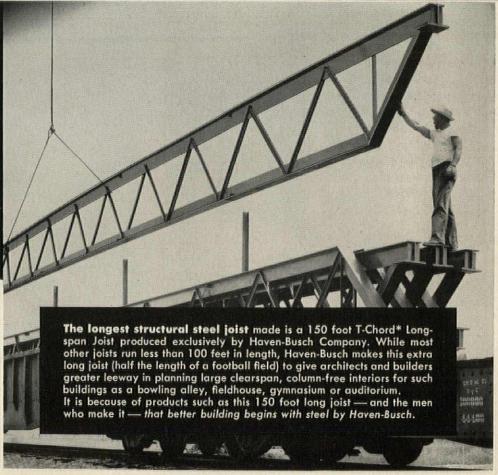
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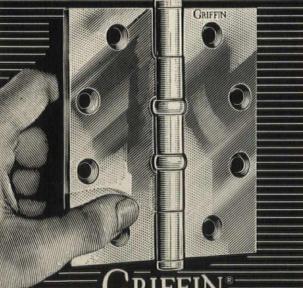
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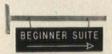
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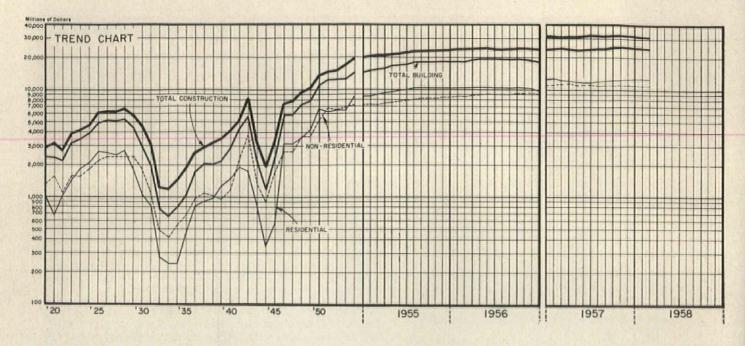
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## CONTRACTS OFF TEN PER CENT FOR SECOND CONSECUTIVE MONTH

The total of construction contracts warded in the U.S. in February was \$1,953,422,000, a ten per cent decrease from February 1957 and the second consecutive month in which contracts showed a ten per cent decline, according to F. W. Dodge Corporation.

The decrease was sharpest in the residential category, where a dollar volume of \$727,282,000 reflected a 17 per cent decrease. On a numerical basis, there was a sharp decline in one- and two-family housing units; but apartment projects continued to show strength, registering an increase of two per cent over February 1957.

Nonresidential contracts in February declined eight per cent; total stood at \$750,819,000. The decline

was due primarily to decreases in contracts for manufacturing and commercial buildings; hospitals also showed a sharp decrease. Contracts for educational and science buildings were up two per cent.

Heavy engineering registered the only gain of the three major categories. Its February total of \$475,-321,000 was a gain of two per cent over the 1957 month, with a 29 per cent increase in public works offsetting a 38 per cent drop in utility contracts.

On a cumulative basis, the contract total of \$4,013,416,000 for the first two months of the year declined ten per cent from the first two months of 1957—nonresidential off 13 per cent, residential 11 per cent and heavy engineering three per cent.

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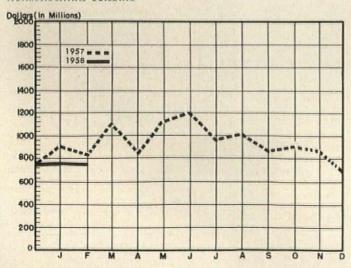
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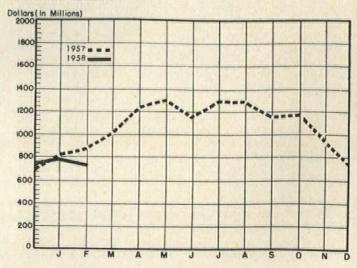
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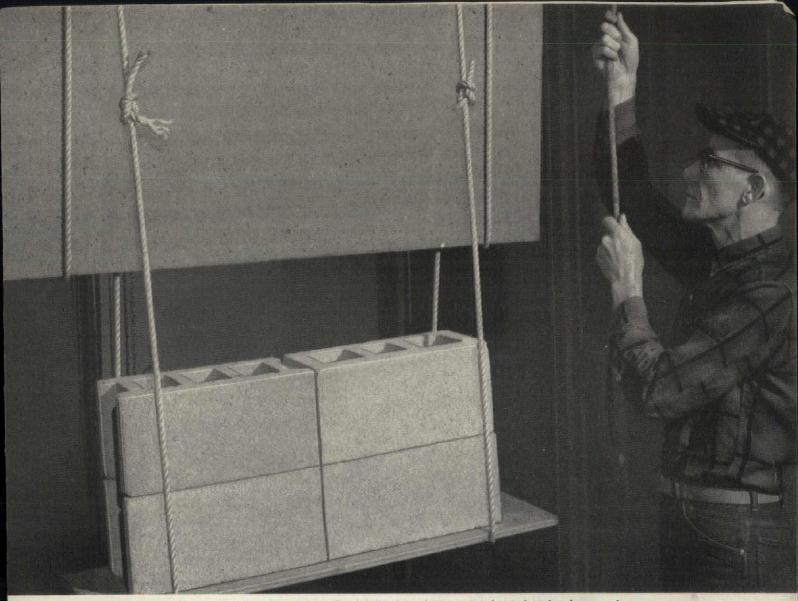
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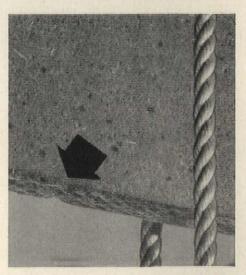
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The test was conducted under actual job-site conditions. Four cement blocks, weighing a total of 160 pounds, were hung by ropes to an upright panel of Temlok Roof Insulation. Rope hoists then lifted the weighted panel ten feet. At the conclusion of the test, the only evidence of damage was slight marks where the ropes had chafed the edges. This in no way impaired the performance of the material.

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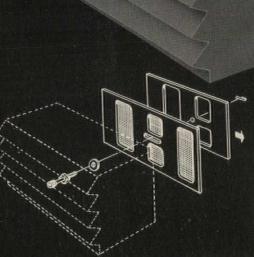
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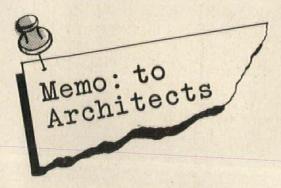
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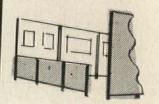
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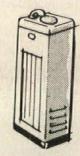
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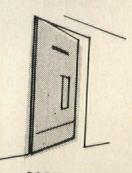
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