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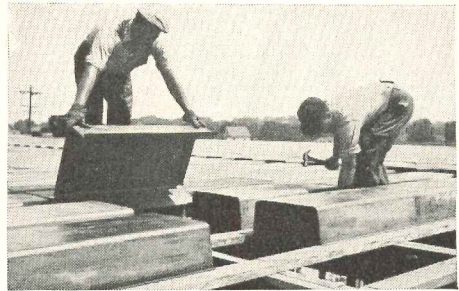
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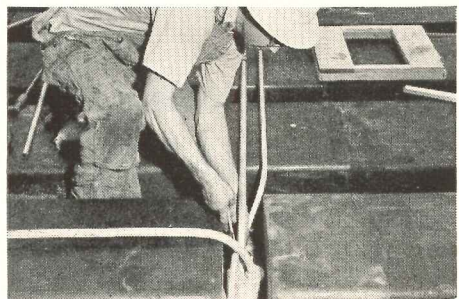
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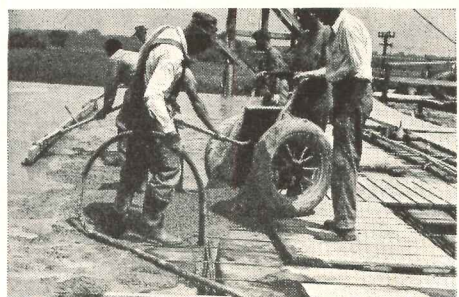
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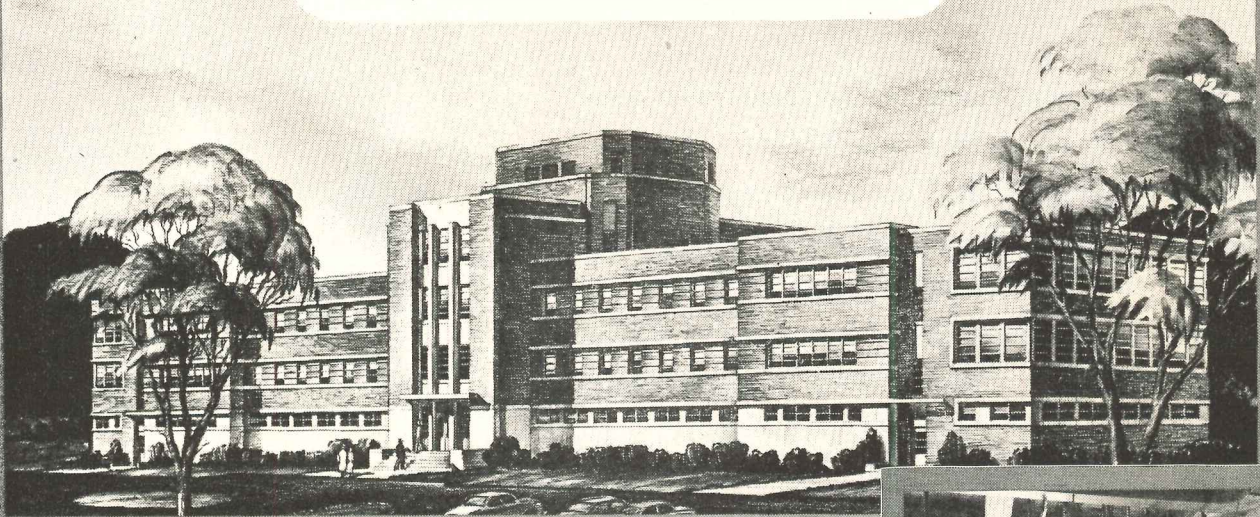


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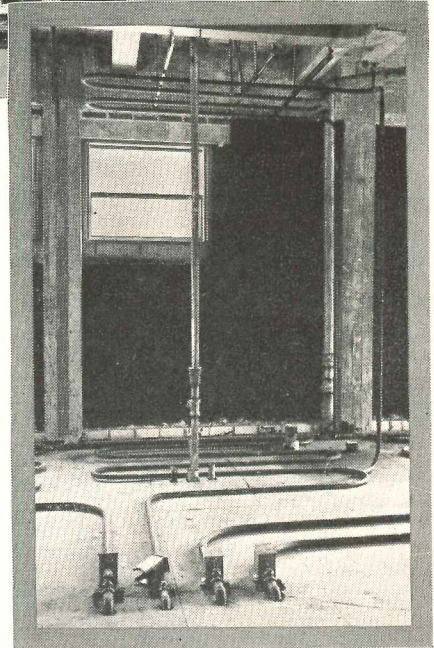
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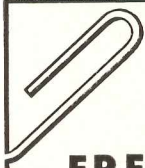
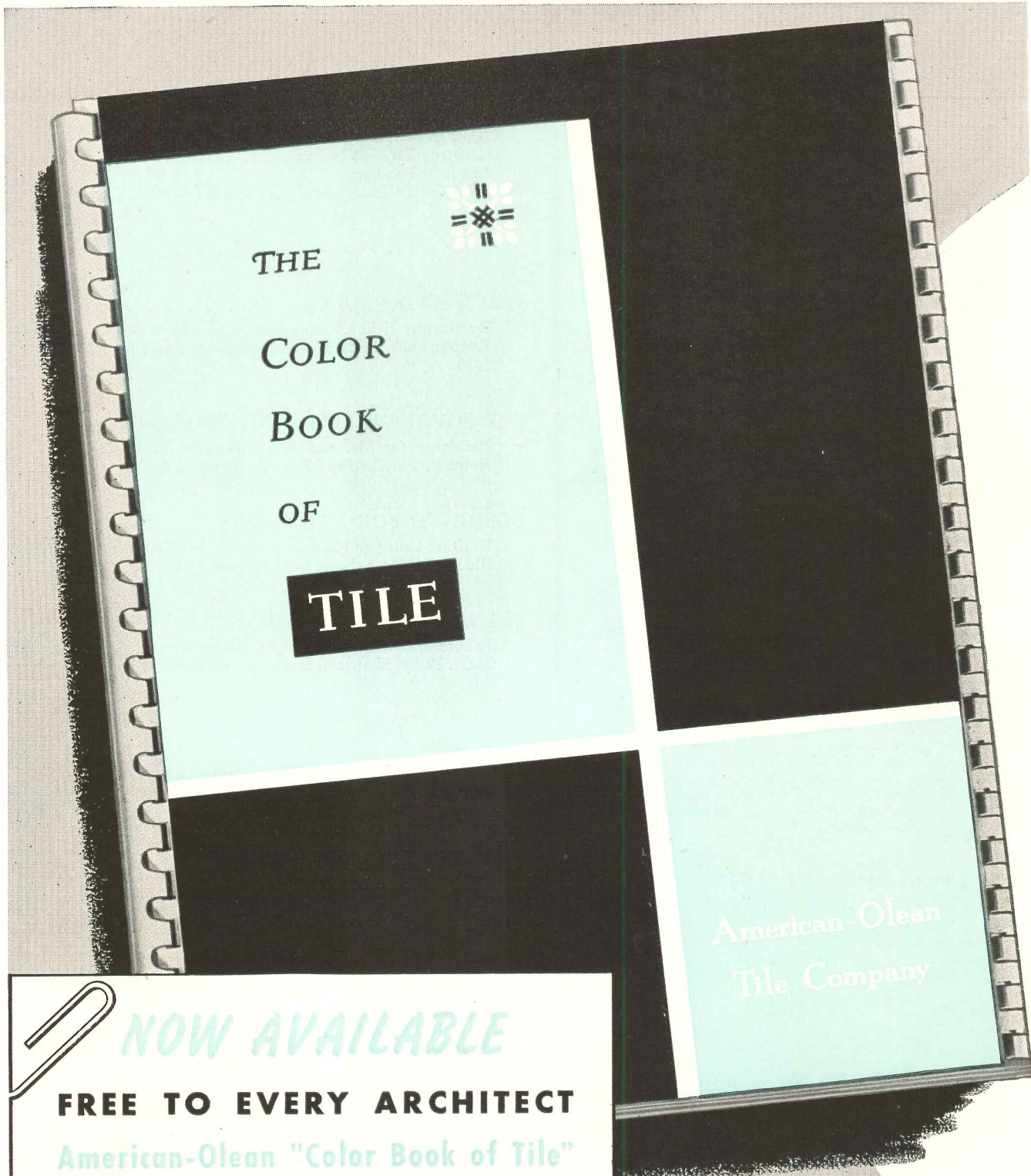
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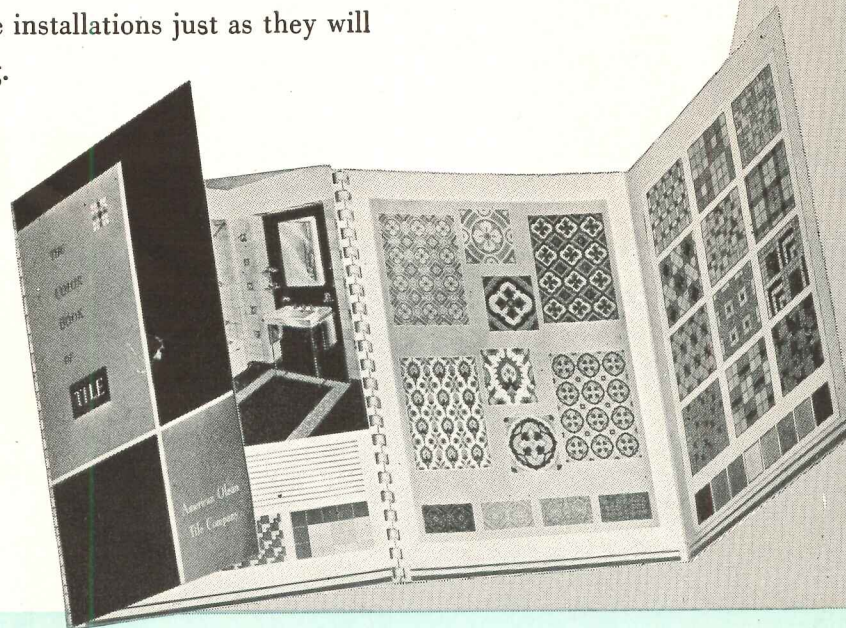
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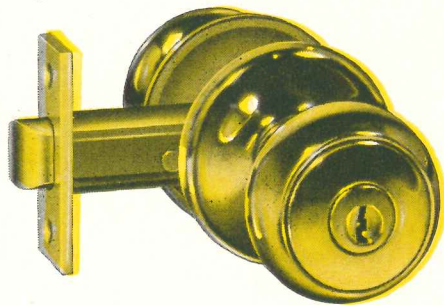


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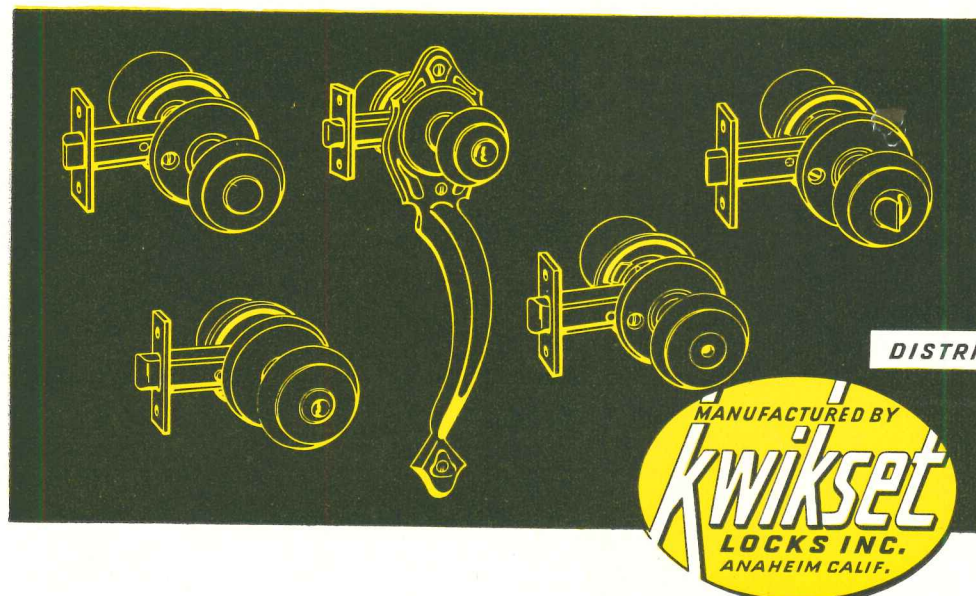
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## ARCHITECTS GATHER FOR A.I.A. REGIONAL CONFERENCES

### New England Hospital Seminar and two St. Louis meetings highlight increased Institute activity at chapter and regional level

#### *New England Seminar on Hospitals*

In Boston, about 125 architects who design hospitals and an equal number of hospital administrators, trustees and doctors discussed common problems from their different viewpoints in four sessions Dec. 2 and 3.

The Hospital Seminar, first regional meeting ever held by the six New England Chapters, was occasioned by current interest in hospital planning, and received a not-unexpected fillip from the new Hill-Burton Act, under which Congress has just doubled the amount of Federal funds for hospital construction.

The Seminar also was the first opportunity for open discussion of relations between architects and hospital consultants. Slocum Kingsbury, for the A.I.A., and Dr. Allen Craig, for the newly organized American Association of Hospital Consultants, exposed early liaison efforts of the two groups and traced out the two lines of responsibility in planning hospitals.

Basil C. MacLean, M.D., director of Strong Memorial Hospital, University of Rochester, was moderator at the first morning's session, when speakers were Henry N. Pratt, M.D.; William A. Riley, A.I.A.; Slocum Kingsbury, A.I.A.; Allan Craig, M.D.; Marshall Shaffer, A.I.A. Otis Anderson, M.D., addressed the luncheon meeting. At the afternoon session, with Douglas Orr, A.I.A., as moderator, the conference heard Herman Smith, M.D.; Alice C. MacKinnon; Victor A. Frid, A.I.A.; James H. Ritchie, A.I.A. Albert Snoke, M.D., was the dinner speaker.

In the absence of Walter I. Taylor, A.I.A. education and research director, Harold D. Hauf was moderator at the Saturday morning session, which featured Justin M. Kearney, C.E.; Lester E. Richwagen; Carl Walter, M.D.; Robert W. Cutler, A.I.A.; Roy Huden-

burg. At the luncheon round table on "Hospitals of the Future," speakers were: A. Daniel Rubenstein, M.D.; Henry R. Shepley, A.I.A.; Arthur G. Stephenson, F.R.I.B.A. (Melbourne, Australia); Isadore Rosenfeld; Nathaniel W. Faxon, M.D.; Robert Cutler.

#### *Educational and Regional Meetings at St. Louis*

There were two meetings in St. Louis. The first was an educational meeting on Thursday, November 17, held at Washington University. This was attended by representatives from all architectural schools in the Central States District. The morning session was devoted to discussion of the architectural design program as an instrument of architectural education. In the afternoon, Alfred Roth presented a paper on "In Search of a Theory of the New Architecture." Mr. Roth, prominent architect and author from Switzerland, is visiting professor of architecture at Washington University.

The second day's meeting, at St. Louis' Sheraton Hotel, was opened by Lorentz Schmidt, Director of the A.I.A. Central States District. Speakers included Philip Will, Jr., pinch hitting for Ernest Kump on the subject of school design. James M. Fitch, Jr., spoke on "Residences: Control of the Elements through Planting and Structure." Nathaniel A. Owings discussed design of large buildings and groups of buildings.

At the dinner that evening Ralph Walker, national president of the A.I.A., spoke on the necessity of integrating architectural education and practice. At the Saturday morning session on November 19, Kenneth Welch presented the subject of "Design of Stores, Planning and Lighting"; and Edmund Purves, executive director of the A.I.A., spoke on "The Institute, Legislation and You."



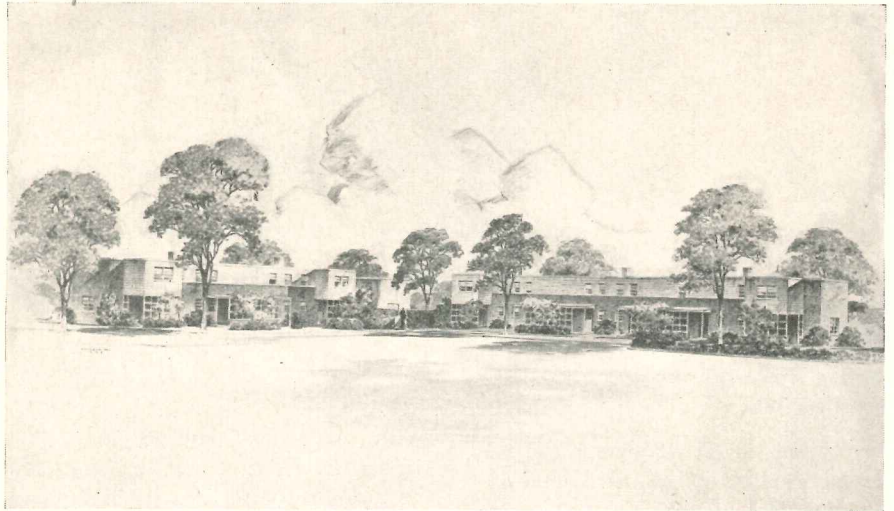
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Pictured at conferences described on this page: (top, at Boston) Kenneth Reid, executive committee chairman; Dr. Basil C. MacLean; Charles D. Maginnis, F.A.I.A., general chairman; Charles D. Maginnis, Jr.; (center, at St. Louis) Alfred Roth, Swiss architect; Kenneth Wischmeyer, A.I.A. 2nd vice president; Lorentz Schmidt, A.I.A. regional director; Ralph Walker, A.I.A. president; (pointing) St. Louis A.I.A. Chapter President Arthur Kelly; above, again St. Louis, Dean Joseph Murphy with Mr. Roth

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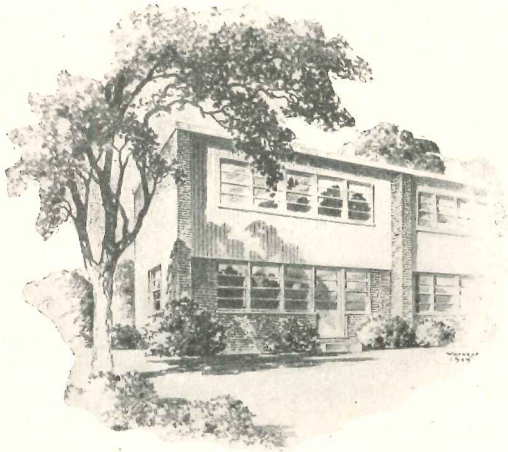
### "BEST LOW COST HOUSING" IN MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire Heights Housing Project  
Northampton, Massachusetts



*James A. Britton, Architect*

*Jo Ray, Site Planner*



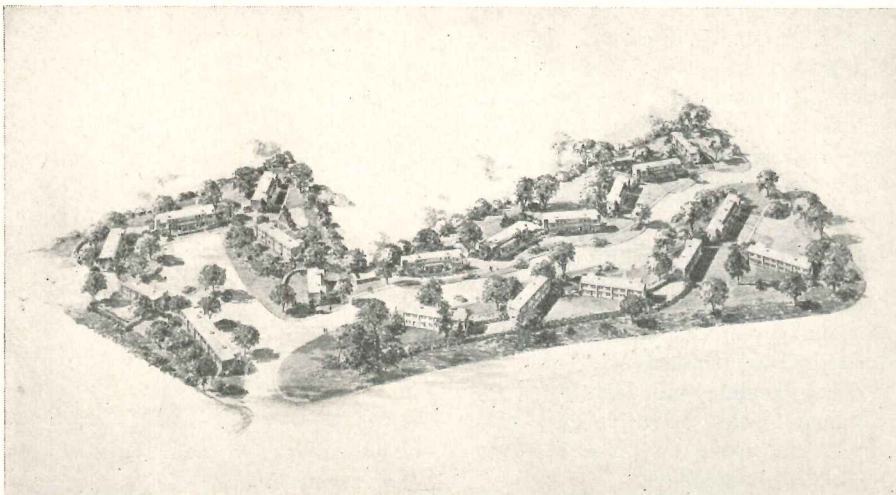
*Apartments were built at an amazingly low cost per unit. They are self contained, with individual equipment. Each has great privacy and views of gardens and mountains*

The Northampton Housing Authority, developer of this pleasant low-rent Veterans Housing Project now being completed, requested the architect to provide buildings modern in design and use materials requiring little upkeep. Units were to take advantage of views of two neighboring mountain ranges and have living rooms open on gardens.

The project comprises 17 four-apartment buildings and two six-apartment buildings, irregularly placed to avoid regimentation and give privacy. Buildings cover only 10.63 per cent of the sloping 9.61 acre tract, leaving space for

gardens, inclosed laundry yards and 100 per cent off-street parking.

Apartment units cost \$10,725.00 each, with basement and two floors in a row-house type of arrangement. On the first floor each unit has an entry, kitchen, living room and dining alcove. Either two or three bedrooms and a bath are on the second floor. Exteriors are of brick veneer and western cedar, and interiors have hard plaster walls and asphalt tile floors. Equipment provided includes individual forced warm air heating plants, hot water heaters, electric ranges, incinerators and laundry facilities.



*The Massachusetts State Housing Board and other housers and planners have cited this project as the best example of low cost housing and site planning in the state*



## QUALITY HOUSES SPECULATIVELY BUILT IN SALT LAKE CITY

*Integrated indoor-outdoor living areas add space to compact houses. The frank, simple units are designed for repetition.*

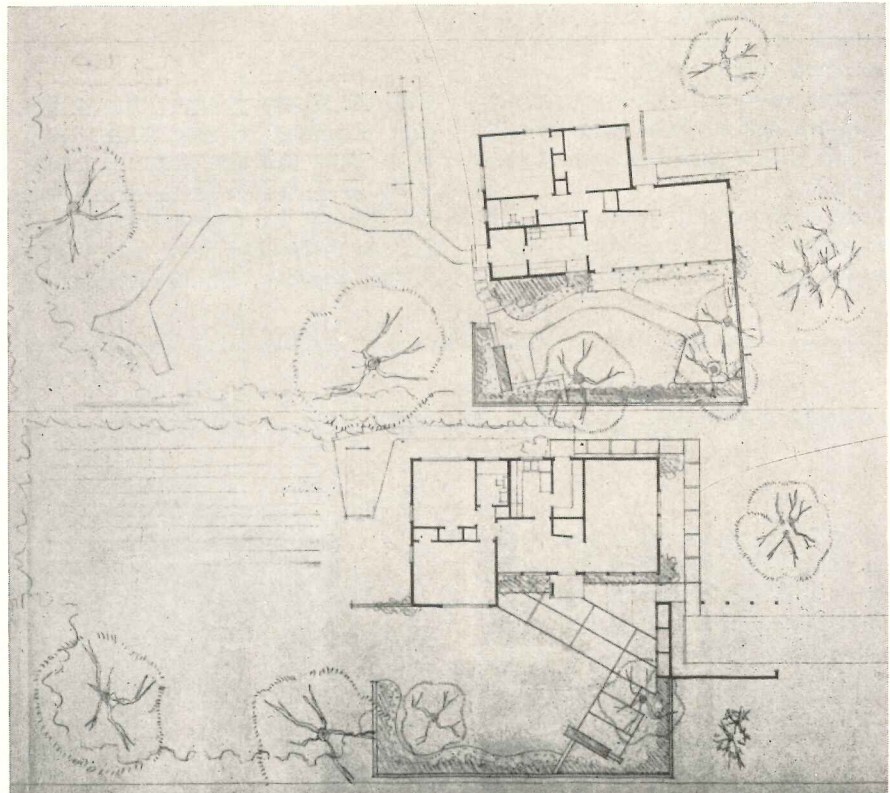
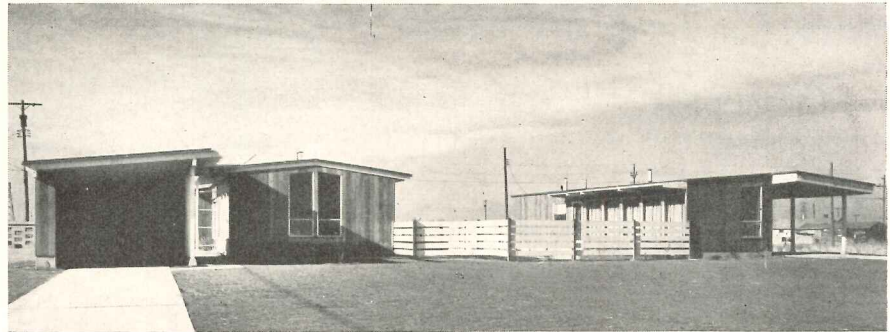
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*Fred Markham, Architect  
W. Rowe Smith, Designer*

These forthright, well designed houses are part of the nation-wide program of the Revere Quality House Division, Southwest Research Institute, to promote better residential building. The houses were exhibited to show quality of construction and design obtained in moderate priced structures by close architect-builder teamwork.

The problem set was the design of a salable unit which could be repeated to produce a harmonious grouping, flexible enough to retain individuality. A balance was struck between low first cost and low maintenance expense. All construction difficulties were carefully studied to help formulate new standards.

Two basic schemes were evolved, as shown here in plan and photograph. Plans were designed to give a sense of openness, yet maintain good circulation and privacy. South walls are mostly glass and face enclosed outdoor living areas. To further the sense of space, ceiling lines were sloped with the roof, the vertical redwood siding was used on some interior walls, and windows run to the ceiling where possible. The developer states he would build more of the frame houses on any lot in Salt Lake City for about \$12,000, including landscaping, electric dishwasher, disposer, heating, washer, and carpets in living and dining rooms.



## INDUSTRIAL ADMINISTRATION SCHOOL AT CARNEGIE

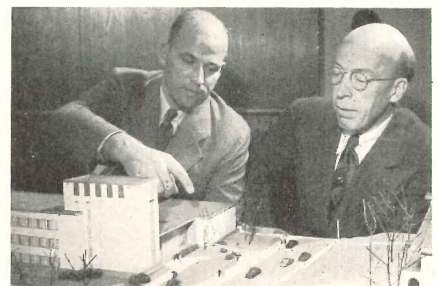
Ground will be broken next spring for the nation's first graduate school of industrial administration on the Carnegie Institute of Technology campus, Dr. Robert E. Doherty, Carnegie's president, has announced. Architects for the building are Raymond M. Marlier and B. Kenneth Johnstone of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Johnstone is head of the Department of Architecture at Carnegie.

The million-dollar building, financed under a six-million-dollar gift to Carnegie for foundation of the school by the W. L. and May T. Mellon Foundation, will include, besides offices and classrooms, a 6000-volume library, a lecture hall to hold 150 students, laboratories, and a student lounge for informal discussion groups and relaxation.

Opened on an experimental basis this year, the school will begin full-scale operation next September.

*Architects Marlier (right) and Johnstone of Pittsburgh discuss their model for building*



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### \$4000 HOUSE DESIGN OFFERED TO RAISE LOW-COST STANDARDS

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The designer frankly offers this job as a challenge to such current "low-cost" housing projects as Housing Expediter



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Tighe E. Woods' Housing, Inc., which plans to market two-room houses 14 by 36 ft with half-acre plots for about \$6750 in a 42-acre development near Fort Belvoir, Va. (See ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, September 1949, page 10.)

"This dwelling," Mr. Bennett says of

the house designed by his office, "gave the client more than a makeshift kind of living." The Housing, Inc., plan, Mr. Bennett writes, "leaves so much to be desired I believe a trailer would offer more. The people of America want homes, not housing."

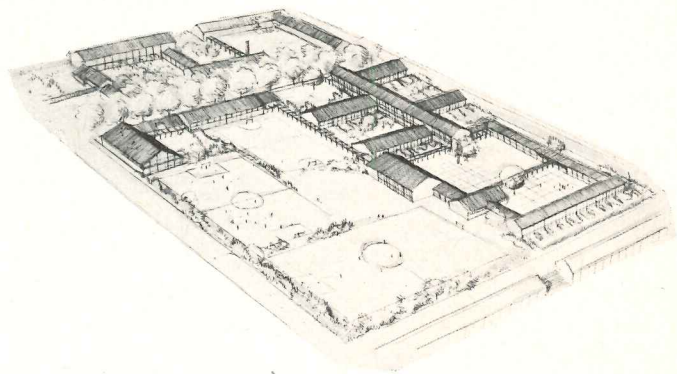
### DANISH ARCHITECT HERE TO STUDY U. S. SCHOOLS

Eric Stengade, 35-year-old Danish architect who was in charge of designing the Danish exhibition hall for the New York World's Fair, is in this country to study contemporary school buildings before undertaking a commission to design a permanent home for the new Bernadotte International School in Copenhagen.

The school, which was officially opened last August with some 240 students from many countries, now occupies an old building (decorated by the children themselves) which is far from adequate. Parents of the children, who range in age from 4 to 11, are raising money for the new building, with a promise from the Danish government to match any sum they can raise, although the school is independent of the state system.

Mr. Stengade's recent work includes the three-room house (photos at right) which was built two years ago for the equivalent of \$1200.

A former assistant to Tyge Hvass, leading Danish architect, Mr. Stengade was recently awarded the Gold Medal of the Royal Academy of Fine Arts in Copenhagen for his design of a newspaper plant.



Rendering (above right) shows architect's preliminary drawing for projected building for Bernadotte School. Photos (right and below) show exterior and interior views of house built at cost of \$1200



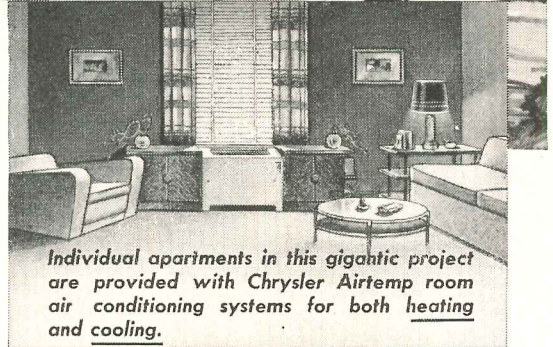
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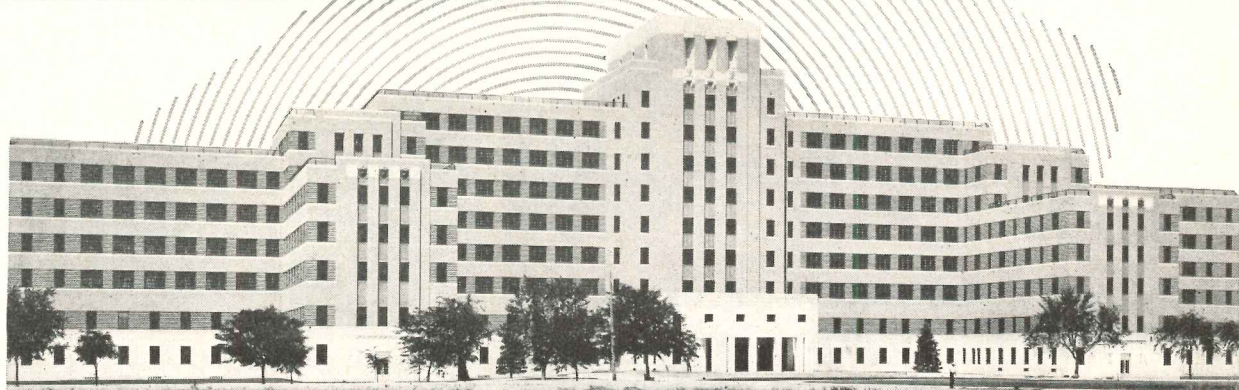
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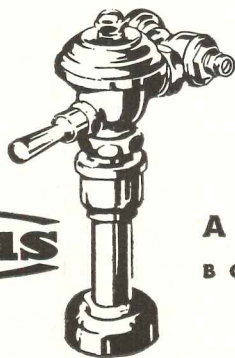


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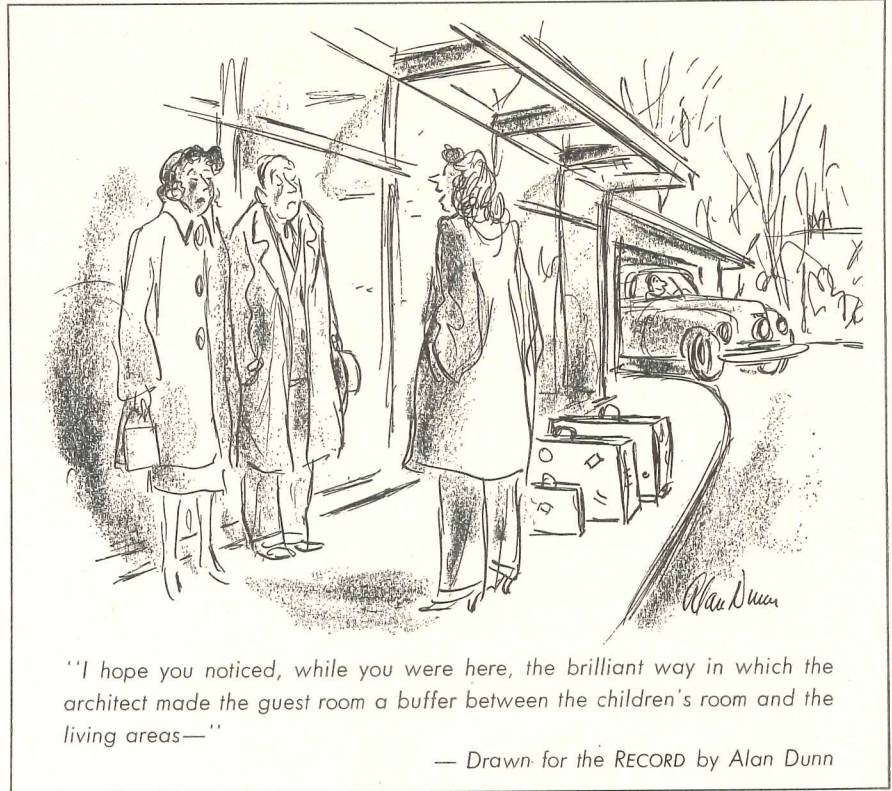
WASHINGTON NEWS by Ernest Mickel

High on the federal government's list for priority planning are the more than 500 post office and other federal building projects authorized by a new act of Congress in 1949.

Just a month ago the General Services Administration and the Post Office Department made a selection of 313 federal building projects for which sites will be acquired where needed and for which plans and specifications will be prepared for future construction.

This action sets in motion the plan to resume construction of buildings of this type after a virtual lapse for the past 14 years.

The bill passed during the last session of Congress (now Public Law 105) authorized \$40 million for site acquisition and the preparation of plans and specifications for approximately 575 projects estimated to cost \$377 million when completed. Later the Congress made \$12 million of this \$40 million available. Public Buildings Administration, a GSA constituent agency, now is  
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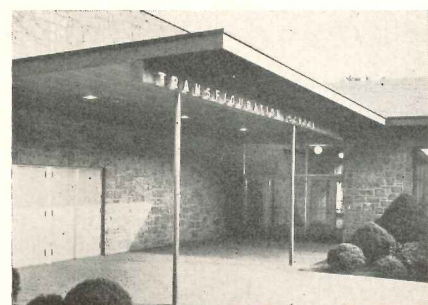
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TRANSFIGURATION SCHOOL, Tarrytown, New York Robert A. Green, Architect

Among the most widely visited schools built in this area within recent years, this school for a Carmelite parish was the outcome of an intensive postwar investigation by the Archdiocese of New York of low-cost construction in the school field. Built at a cost of 84 cents

per cu ft, it was developed as a prototype for the projected school building program of the Archdiocese.



Center of interest on the school's north side is sheltered main entrance (below)  
Photo by James Vincent

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Before Archdiocesan officials brought the problem to Mr. Green for his solution, they had canvassed the possibilities of the prefabrication field, and of other current types of "low-cost" construction, and had come to the conclusion that, as they express it, use of "standard methods of construction, simplified, was the direct answer."

As finally evolved, the plans called for a one-story structure of native stone, backed by hollow textured concrete blocks, with interior face exposed to become classroom wall surface, unplastered and unpainted. Corridor walls were built of the same blocks, with glass block "borrowed lights."

Each room has a large projected-type window, with upper and lower sections

movable and center section fixed to give the appearance of a picture window. Lighting fixtures for all classrooms are of the concentric ring incandescent type, an inexpensive fixture with maximum lumen output and minimum maintenance.

Expenditure of \$282,261 completed a school containing eight classrooms, for 350 children; a kindergarten; a combination meetingroom-lunchroom for 75; administrative offices; an auditorium-gymnasium seating 500 and fully equipped for both its functions. The figure covered cost of equipment, including the radiant heating installation, furnishings and draperies.

Opened for classes this Fall, the school has been described by the parish Fathers as "a proper jewel to crown 50 years of growth in the Parish of the Transfiguration in Tarrytown."

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launching the planning and site program with this initial appropriation.

The remaining selections from an original listing of some 4000 eligible projects will be announced by PBA and the Post Office Department in a few weeks.

The law as now in operation provides no construction funds for any of these buildings. Appropriations for the start of the site work would have to come in new legislation after the funds were authorized. But until this construction does start, sometime in the next few years, a portion of the planning activity will be assigned by PHA to private architects.

In announcing the first selection of projects, GSA said it was the expressed intent of Congress that each Congressional district participate "in the benefits that will accrue from the future construction of one or more of the selected programs."

### Planning for Non-Federal Projects

Architects have as vital an interest in another GSA program moving forward, the advance planning of non-federal public works.

A little over a month ago GSA Administrator Jess Larson announced allotment of the initial \$25 million to states and possessions—the first portion of a \$100 million outlay authorized by Congress last year to reactivate the Bureau's loans.

In practice, the advance loaning program works this way: states, counties, cities and towns borrow a sum from the Bureau to cover the cost of preparing plans and specifications on non-federal public works such as schools, hospitals, sewers, waterworks, streets, municipal buildings and like projects. The loans are interest-free and repayment to the U. S. Treasury begins whenever construction starts.

### Architects and Housing

The nation's private architects were in the throes of argument with public housing personnel over what constitutes an adequate fee schedule, fair payment for services rendered on public housing projects.

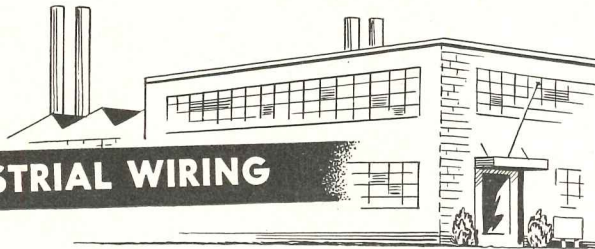
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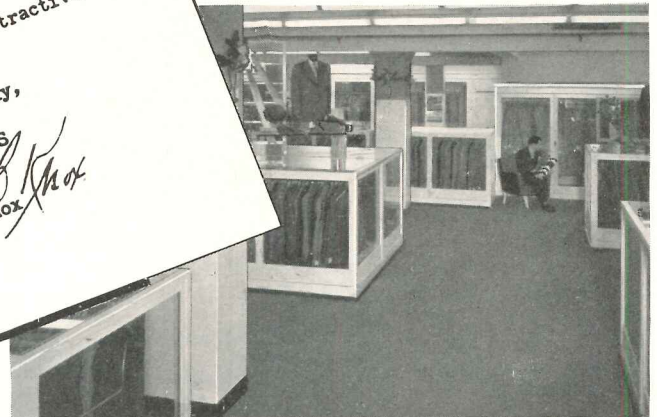


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A.I.A. President Ralph Walker told delegates to the 16th annual convention of the National Association of Housing Officials in Boston that he considered the present fee schedule on PHA projects woefully inadequate. The Institute has advised its members that they accept the fees "at your own risk."

PHA has contended that private architects have been receiving more than six times the amount of their payroll expense on public housing projects, while Mr. Walker has told the public housers: "You are not dealing with a capitalist class. The net take-home pay of three-fourths of the country's architects is \$5000 or less a year."

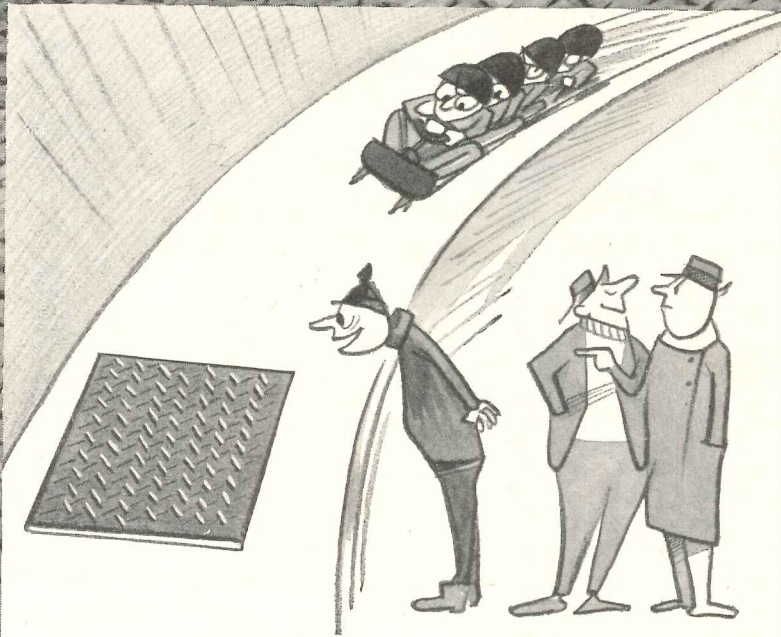
Operating procedures for the vast slum clearance and urban redevelopment phase are being promulgated now and will be issued to local authorities soon. Here again, architectural and engineering services will be of vital concern to those charged with clearing sites and projecting new developments. Congress authorizes the government to pay up to two-thirds of the net write-off of clearing these slum areas and has provided \$1 billion in loans to help cities clear and prepare slum sites for redevelopment.

### Shorts

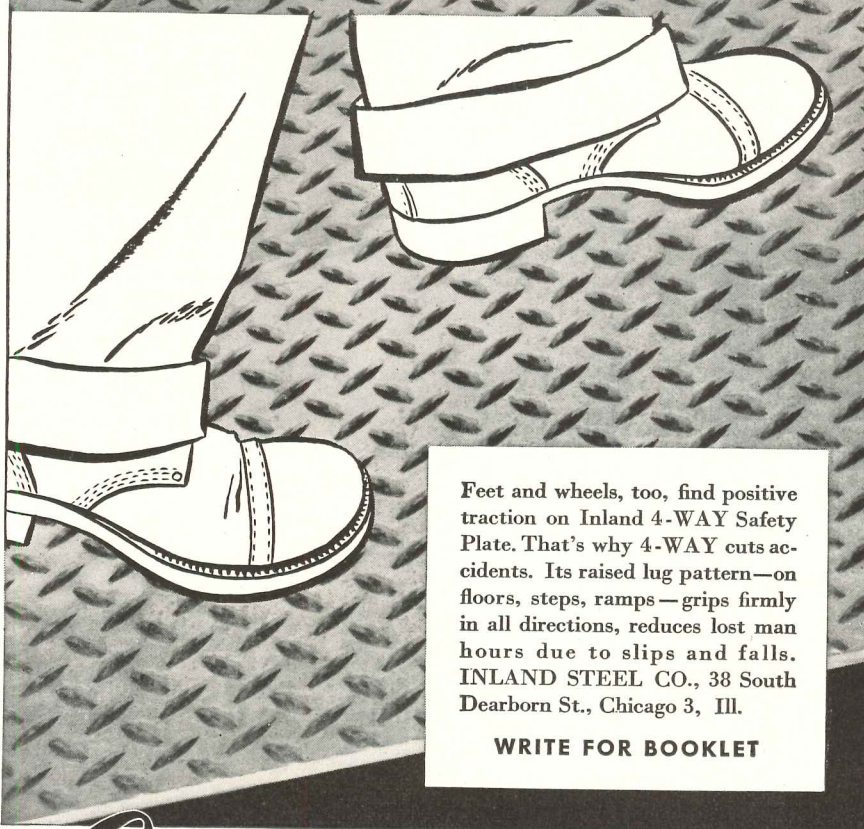
- Atomic Energy Commission stepped up the pace of its huge construction program. At Oak Ridge, Tenn., with building well started on Unit K-29, AEC said the contractor, Maxon Construction Co., Inc., Dayton, Ohio, had been approved as construction contractor for a fourth gaseous diffusion unit, K-31, costing about \$162 million. Giffels and Vallet, Inc., L. Rosetti, Detroit, Mich., having designed the \$66 million K-29 project, also have been approved as architect-engineer for K-31.

- First research correlation conference of the new Building Research Advisory Board will be held in Washington, D. C., January 11 and 12. Under the title "Weather and the Building Industry," this conference will consider climatological research and its effects on building design, construction, materials and equipment. Exhibits of new climate research results will be shown. This meeting will be conducted informally.

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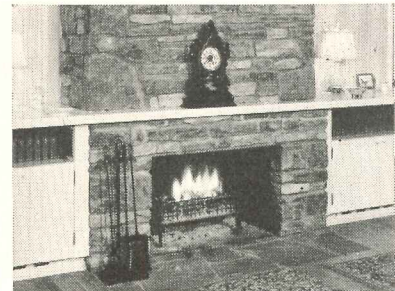
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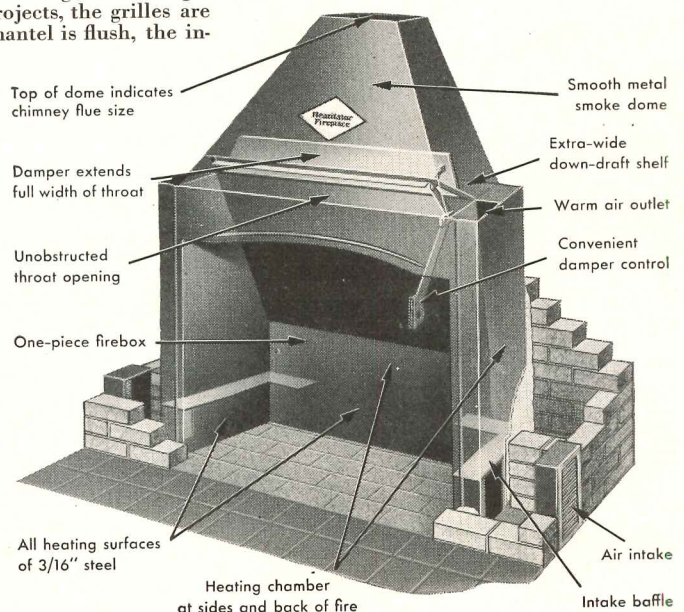
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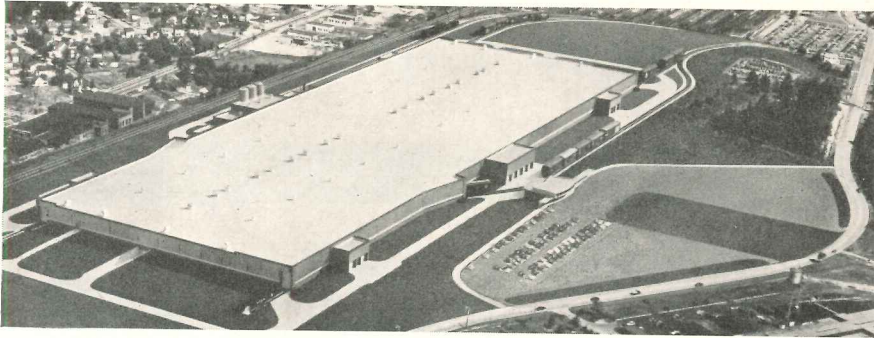
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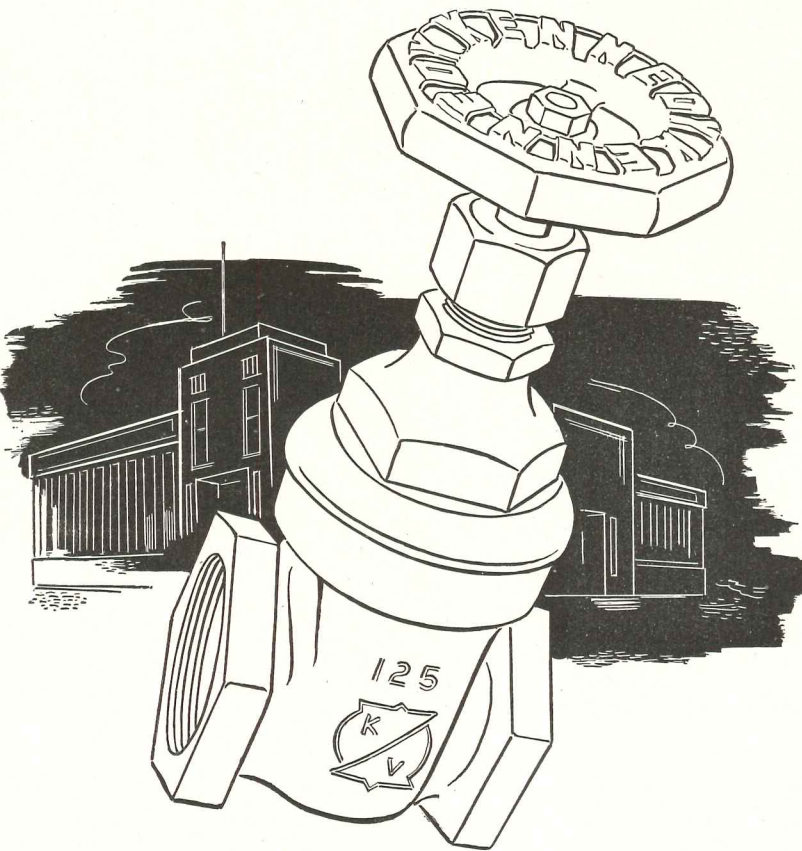
Awards to three classes of technical and promotional literature prepared for architects by manufacturers of building products will be made in a competition being sponsored by the Producers' Council and the American Institute of Architects.

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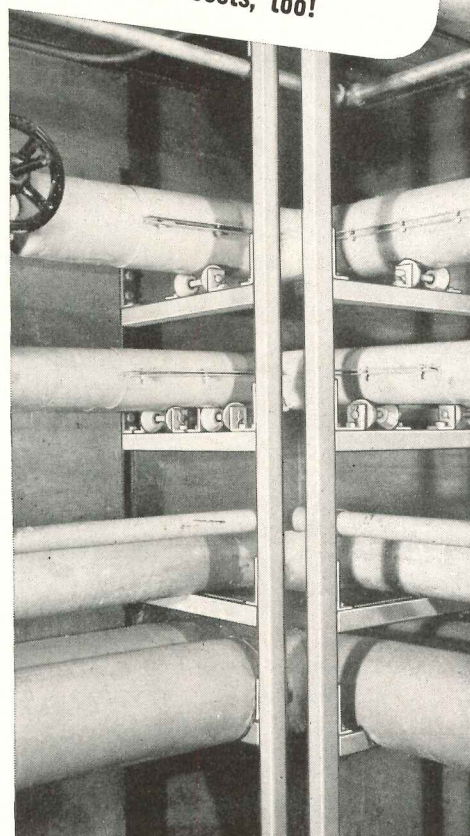
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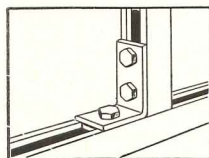
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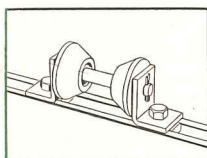
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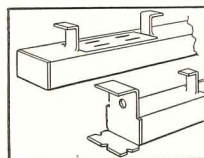
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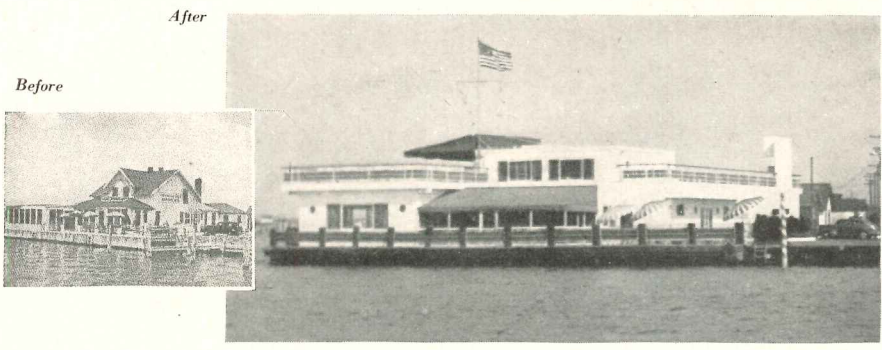
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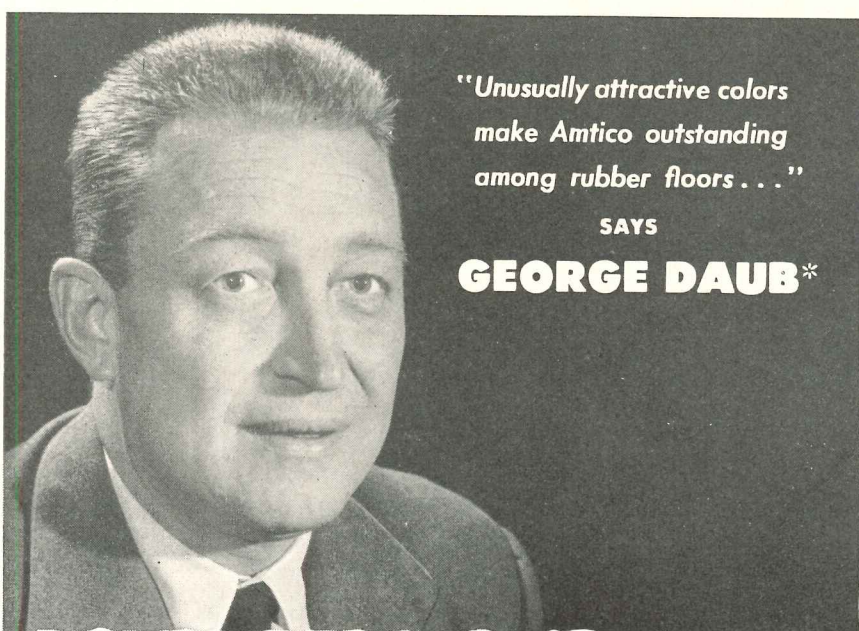


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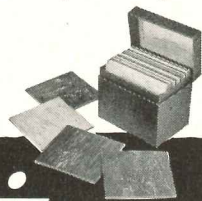
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The medal is awarded by the American Society of Chemical Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the American Institute of Mining Engineers and the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

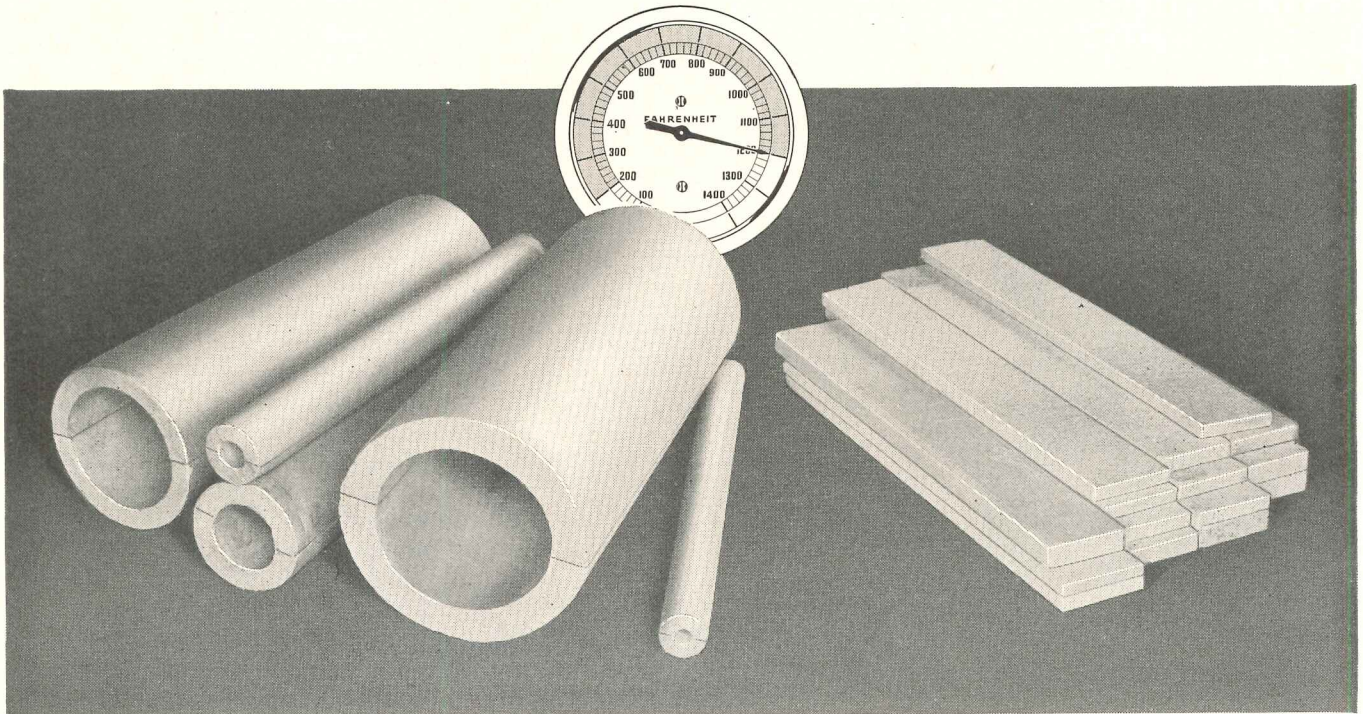
TWO ARCHITECTS ON CODE COMMISSION

The newly-appointed New York State Building Code Commission, which held its first meeting December 6, in Buffalo, includes two architects among its five members: George Bain Cummings of Binghamton and William Lescaze of New York City. Other members are Edward J. McGrew, Jr., engineer, chairman; Walker S. Lee, of the Rochester Building Commission; and Ralph A. Lehr, lawyer.

The commission was appointed, in accordance with a legislative act passed last spring, to formulate a building code in terms of performance rather than explicit specifications, to encourage modern techniques and lower costs. Use of the code will be left to the discretion of the various municipalities

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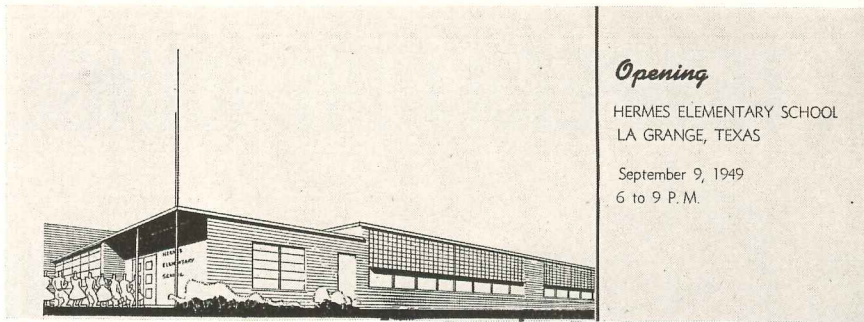
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About 60 miles from Austin, La Grange is the center of a farming community of some 10,000 people, including many of foreign extraction. Use of a modern design was the decision of the progressive young superintendent of schools, Charles O. Lemmons. It was believed that the public would support his decision if its advantages could be pointed out to them and the celebration was planned to encourage a large audience.

As a result, some 500 taxpayers came to see how their money had been spent — many of them driving in from miles around. It was felt that the occasion was a real success in encouraging neighborhood pride and enthusiasm for the school.

Members of the PTA had prepared all the refreshments, which they served in the school cafeteria. Teachers showed the visitors through the building, having been briefed beforehand on details of its construction. One of the architects reports the guide service was so effective that he himself was taken on a thorough tour by an unsuspecting teacher who capably answered all his questions.

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	Brick	Frame		Concr.	Steel	Brick	Frame		Concr.	Steel
1925	121.5	122.8	111.4	113.3	110.3	86.4	85.0	88.6	92.5	83.4
1930	127.0	126.7	124.1	128.0	123.6	82.1	80.9	84.5	86.1	83.6
1935	93.8	91.3	104.7	108.5	105.5	72.3	67.9	84.0	87.1	85.1
1939	123.5	122.4	130.7	133.4	130.1	86.3	83.1	95.1	97.4	94.7
1940	126.3	125.1	132.2	135.1	131.4	91.0	89.0	96.9	98.5	97.5
1941	134.5	135.1	135.1	137.2	134.5	97.5	96.1	99.9	101.4	100.8
1942	139.1	140.7	137.9	139.3	137.1	102.8	102.5	104.4	104.9	105.1
1943	142.5	144.5	140.2	141.7	139.0	109.2	109.8	108.5	108.1	108.7
1944	153.1	154.3	149.6	152.6	149.6	123.2	124.5	117.3	117.2	118.2
1945	160.5	161.7	156.3	158.0	155.4	132.1	133.9	123.2	122.8	123.3
1946	181.8	182.4	177.2	179.0	174.8	148.1	149.2	136.8	136.4	135.1
1947	219.3	222.0	207.6	207.5	203.8	180.4	184.0	158.1	157.1	158.0
Aug. 1949	237.3	233.8	240.5	244.0	237.2	182.6	182.2	177.3	177.9	174.1
Sept. 1949	239.2	236.3	240.6	244.0	237.5	183.7	183.7	178.4	178.4	174.8
Oct. 1949	242.7	239.4	241.0	244.2	237.6	184.3	184.7	177.9	177.6	174.7
<b>Oct. 1949</b>	<b>96.5</b>	<b>95.6</b>	<b>84.4</b>	<b>83.1</b>	<b>82.6</b>	<b>113.6</b>	<b>122.3</b>	<b>87.1</b>	<b>82.3</b>	<b>84.5</b>
	% increase over 1939					% increase over 1939				
1925	118.6	118.4	116.3	118.1	114.4	91.0	86.5	99.5	102.1	98.0
1930	108.9	108.3	112.4	115.3	111.3	90.8	86.8	100.4	104.9	100.4
1935	95.1	90.1	104.1	108.3	105.4	89.5	84.5	96.4	103.7	99.7
1939	110.2	107.0	118.7	119.8	119.0	105.6	99.3	117.4	121.9	116.5
1940	112.6	110.1	119.3	120.3	119.4	106.4	101.2	116.3	120.1	115.5
1941	118.8	118.0	121.2	121.7	122.2	116.3	112.9	120.5	123.4	124.3
1942	124.5	123.3	126.9	128.6	126.9	123.6	120.1	127.5	129.3	130.8
1943	128.2	126.4	131.2	133.3	130.3	131.3	127.7	133.2	136.6	136.3
1944	138.4	138.4	135.7	136.7	136.6	139.4	137.1	139.4	142.0	142.4
1945	152.8	152.3	146.2	148.5	145.6	146.2	144.3	144.5	146.8	147.9
1946	167.1	167.4	159.1	161.1	158.1	159.7	157.5	157.9	159.3	160.0
1947	202.4	203.8	183.9	184.2	184.0	193.1	191.6	183.7	186.8	186.9
Aug. 1949	215.9	214.5	210.3	212.3	211.2	207.1	199.5	212.0	219.3	214.8
Sept. 1949	218.2	216.2	212.9	216.2	214.4	208.4	200.8	213.6	218.9	214.4
Oct. 1949	218.9	217.1	213.1	216.2	214.5	212.2	205.8	214.9	219.8	215.0
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	% increase over 1939					% increase over 1939				

The index numbers shown are for combined material and labor costs. The indexes for each separate type of construction relate to the United States average for 1926-29 for that particular type — considered 100.

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index for city A = 110  
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 (both indexes must be for the same type of construction).  
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$$\frac{110-95}{95} = 0.158$$

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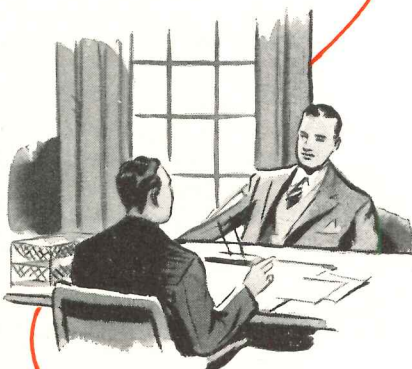
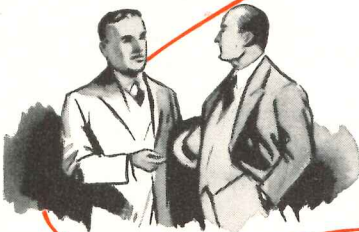
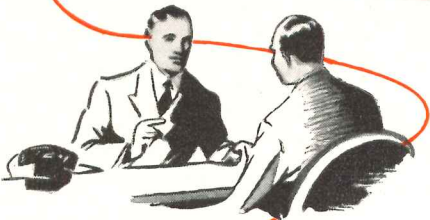
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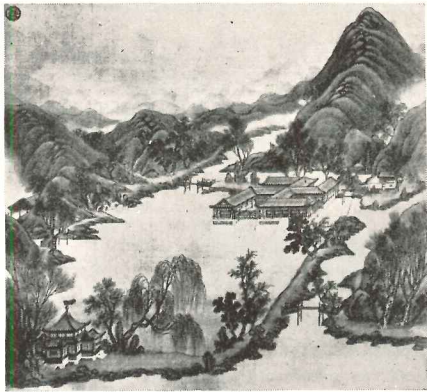
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WORK OF ART

*Gardens of China.* By Oswald Siren. The Ronald Press Co. (15 E. 26th St., New York 10, N. Y.), 1949. 9¼ by 12 in. 141 pp. of text + 208 pp. of plates. \$30.00.

The ancient gardens of China illustrated in this sumptuous volume should interest the modern reader on many levels of appreciation. Even a glance will reveal their timeless beauty. But with our own contemporary landscape design in a period of changing concepts, it is also most timely to examine the theories which have produced such obvious and satisfying beauties for another culture.

The essence of these gardens, the author believes, lies in a peculiarly intimate kinship with nature. Thus the aim has always been to create a blending of natural and man-made elements rather than to effect a rational organization of pattern. Stemming from an imaginative appeal, the Chinese garden can truly be described as "a work of art in the forms of nature."

In two major sections, this book considers the creative elements which have made such works of art, first from a theoretical viewpoint and then as portrayed in examples from existing gardens. The author has drawn a wealth of material both from his own travels and from Chinese texts, and the entire volume has a richness suggesting the

vast extent and varied culture of the land itself.

Viewing the forms of nature in the widest terms, the elements from which the Chinese created their gardens extend far beyond the flowers and trees which have dominated western gardens. Perhaps the most unique and specifically Chinese features are the so-called "mountains," or fantastic garden stones, which fulfill somewhat the same function as statues in an occidental garden, while at the same time merging more naturally with their surroundings. The frequent appearance of ponds and canals emphasizes a use of water for its evocation of mood and motion.

Since the Chinese made no sharp distinction between indoors and out-of-doors, gardens were seen as natural extensions of their dwellings and architectural elements are another essential in the composition. In the fusion of picturesque elements which was so highly prized, a free use of pavilions, walls and galleries served to accent, contain and link the individual units.

This philosophy takes on a concrete meaning in the second major portion of the book. After discussing the significance of Chinese gardens in literature and in their adaptation by Japan, there are detailed descriptions of some of the palace and private gardens of China. To western eyes the relative importance of town gardens is perhaps surprising. And yet, as a Chinese treatise asks, "If one can find stillness in the midst of the city turmoil, why should one then forego such an easily accessible spot and seek a more distant one?"

In format this book beautifully supports the beauty with which it deals. Color reproductions from eleven Chinese woodcuts remind one of the close relationship between Chinese art and gardens. Photographs, plans and drawings are included throughout the book and there is a magnificent selection of plates with which to close.

Like the Chinese garden itself, this is a book to revisit many times. Whether one dwells at length on the informative text or merely browses through the many delights, it should prove equally rewarding.

HISTORIC HOUSES IN COLOR

*A Treasury of Early American Homes.* By Richard Pratt. Whittlesey House (330 W. 42nd Street, N. Y. 18, N. Y.), 1949. 13½ by 10½ in. 136 pp. illus. \$12.50.

Since adults are seldom vouchsafed a book in full color, the brilliant koda-chrome photography — not just in one special section but on virtually every page — is the most newsworthy feature of this fine collection of Early American houses. Fortunately the author's text and editing are worthy of his illustrations.

A commission from the Curtis Publishing Company for a series of magazine articles made it possible for Mr. Pratt to undertake the job of locating, selecting, and photographing the houses which best represent American building tradition before 1850. Some are familiar buildings now open to the public as museums, and others are private homes photographed by permission of sympathetic occupants. George Washington and other notables really slept in some, and John Doe and Richard Rowe in others, but each is included because it represents one particular way Americans have lived.

From Woodstock to Natchez and even Monterey, we are shown houses built with gracious details copied from European builders' handbooks, but planned by imaginative owners to suit their colonial needs, and to use their own materials: native Pennsylvania stone in Bucks County; oyster shell stucco in Charleston; ships' timbers on Cape Cod.

Their survival alone shows that these are good houses — well constructed and well cherished. Houses which copy them lack, as the author notes, "the impulse of the originals . . . along with yesterday's necessities." But the beauty of their details, and the rightness of their plans, provide standards of achievement and make them, to quote again from Mr. Pratt, "among the things to keep in mind while planning for the future." This spectacular presentation in color should bring them to the attention of a great many laymen as well as architects who are interested in such planning.

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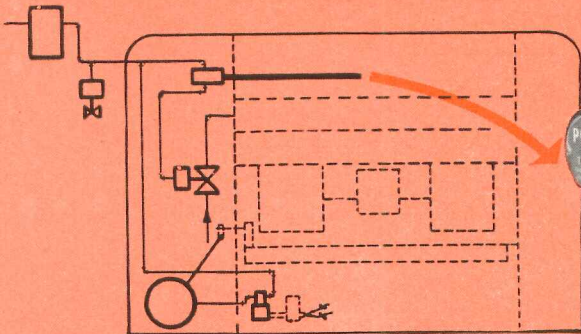
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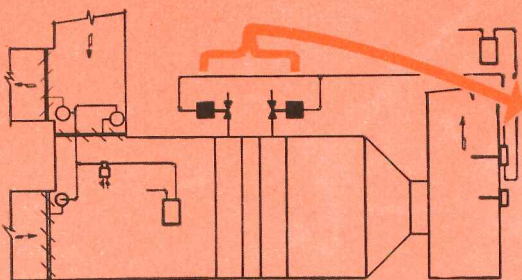
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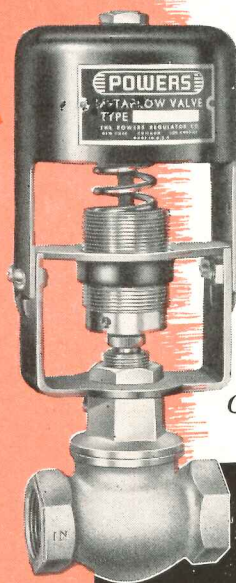
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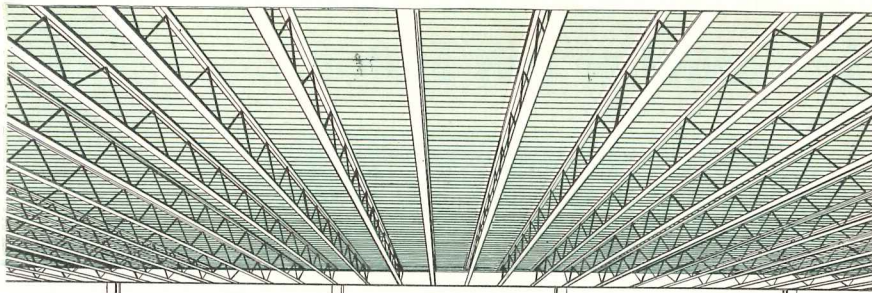
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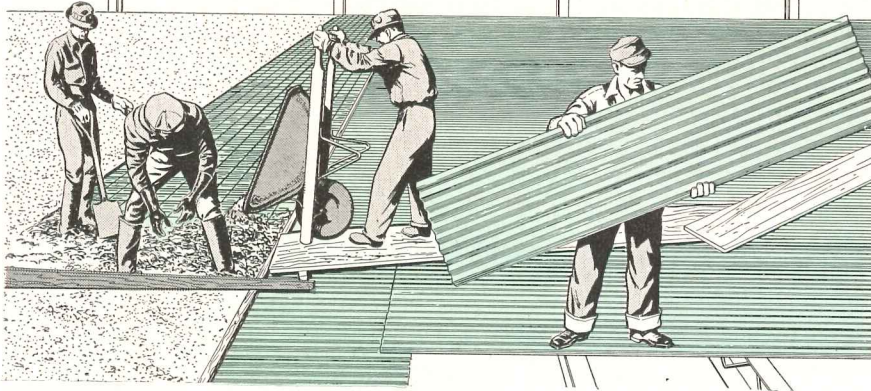
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### BOOKS

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#### BETTER NATURAL LIGHT

*Building for Daylight.* By Richard Shepard, F.R.I.B.A., and Hilton Wright, A.R.I.B.A. Macmillan Co. (60 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.), 1949. 8½ by 10⅞ in. 91 pp. illus. \$5.50.

Getting natural light into buildings erected for shelter and safety is an age-old problem of architectural design. To its contemporary solution this British book contributes methods for calculating available daylight, studies of orientation and window design for various types of buildings and sites, and a discussion of the uses of various forms of glass. The authors' findings should prove useful in projects where maximum daylight is desired, but little mention is made of the supplementary importance of artificial lighting.

An introductory historical note by John Gloag traces the development of windows in Britain, from Roman times down to the present.

Wash drawings of typical period window treatments illustrate the historical section, and the contemporary section contains useful diagrams for the orientation and grouping of buildings.

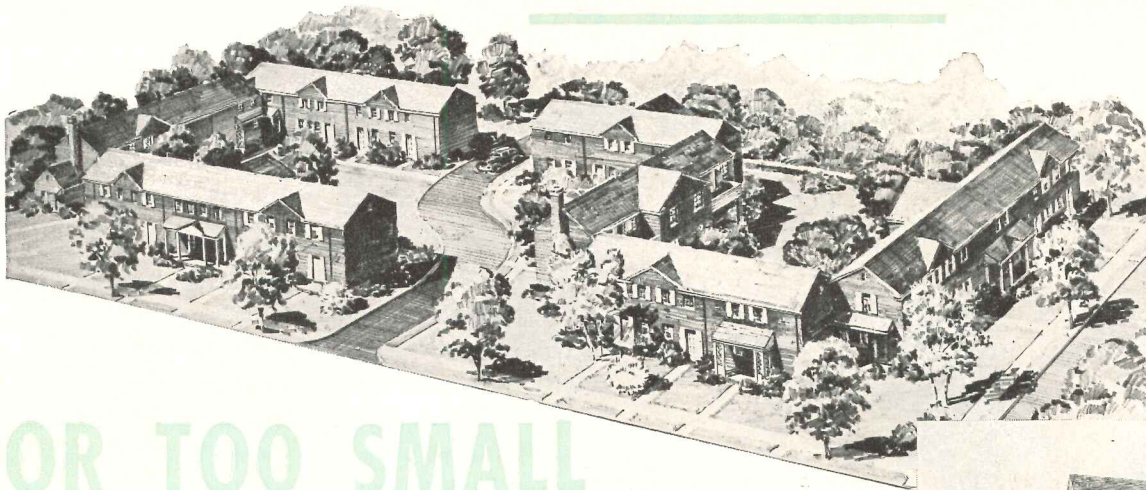
#### SHADOWPLAY

*Profile Art.* By R. L. Megroz. Philosophical Library (15 E. 40th St., New York 16, N. Y.), 1949. 7¼ by 9½ in. 131 pp., illus. \$7.50.

Ever since the earliest known works of prehistoric art, the silhouette has appealed to the creative artist and craftsman. With this volume the general reader can survey some manifestations of the method, from cave art through the art of Egypt and Greece down to present times.

Although the emphasis is primarily on the past, a section illustrating decorative uses of the silhouette in such diverse forms as marquetry, tiles, wrought iron and textiles has direct contemporary interest. As fillip there are side excursions into such fields as phrenology and comic art. With perhaps a certain British detachment, there is a bare mention of American cartoons and films, but the subject matter chosen is nicely illustrated and varied in scope.

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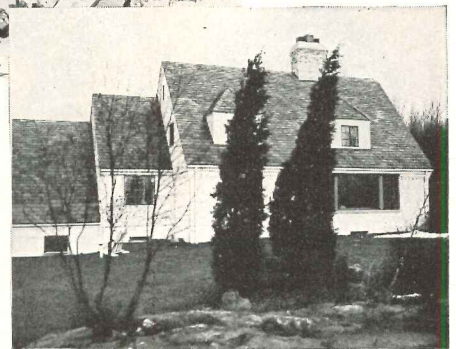
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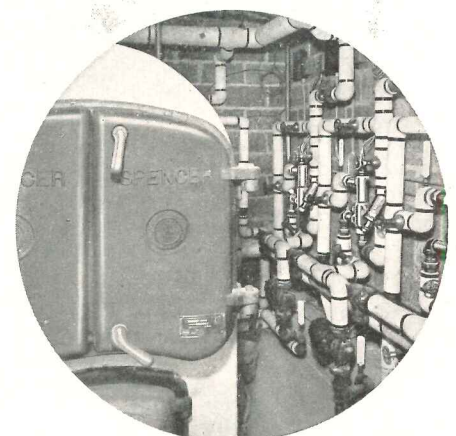
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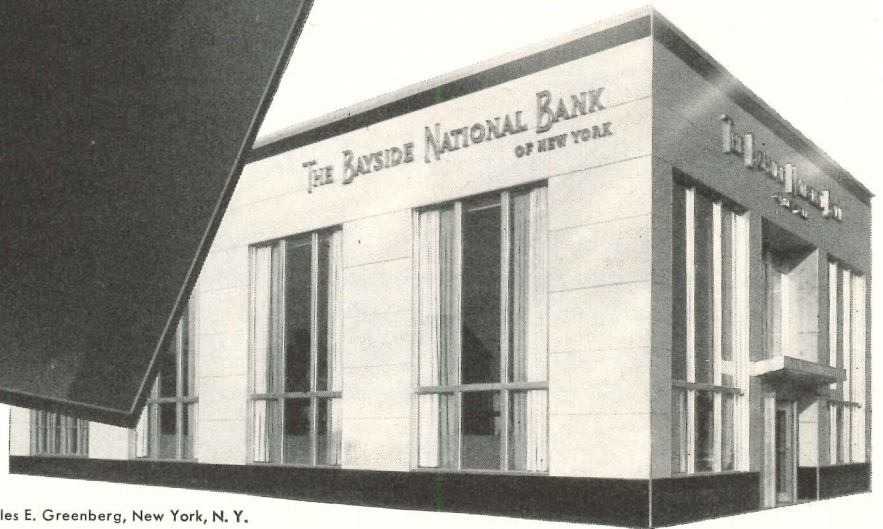
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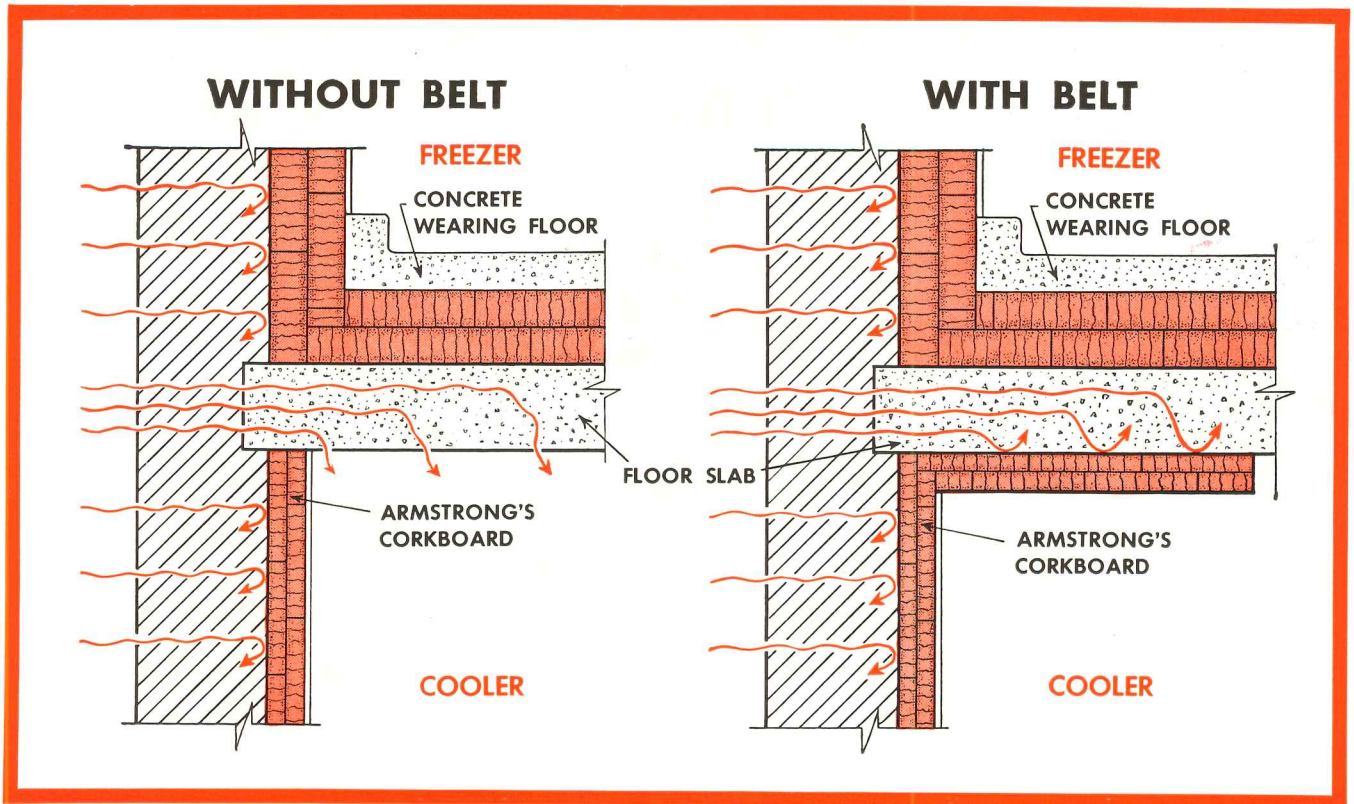
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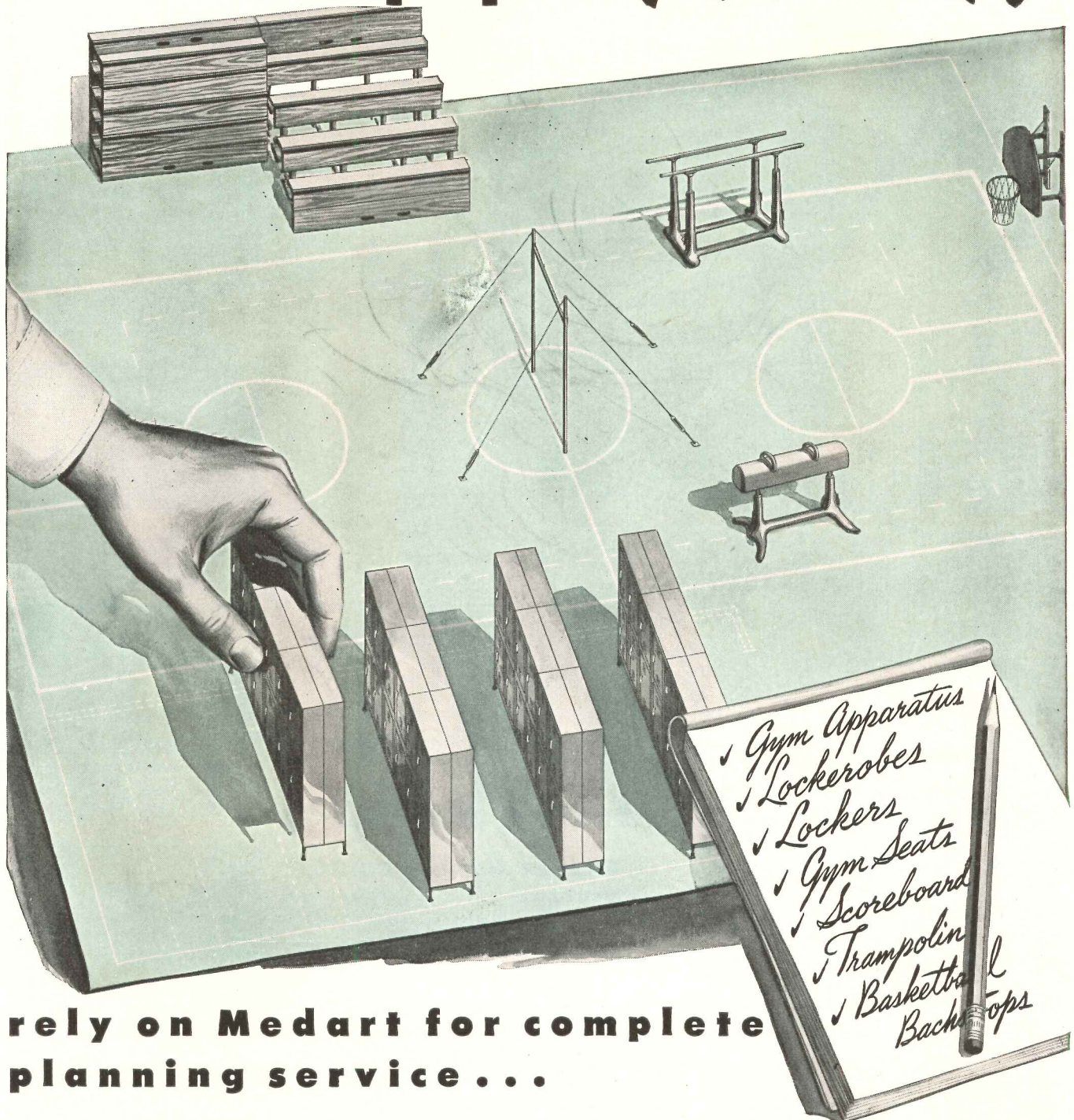


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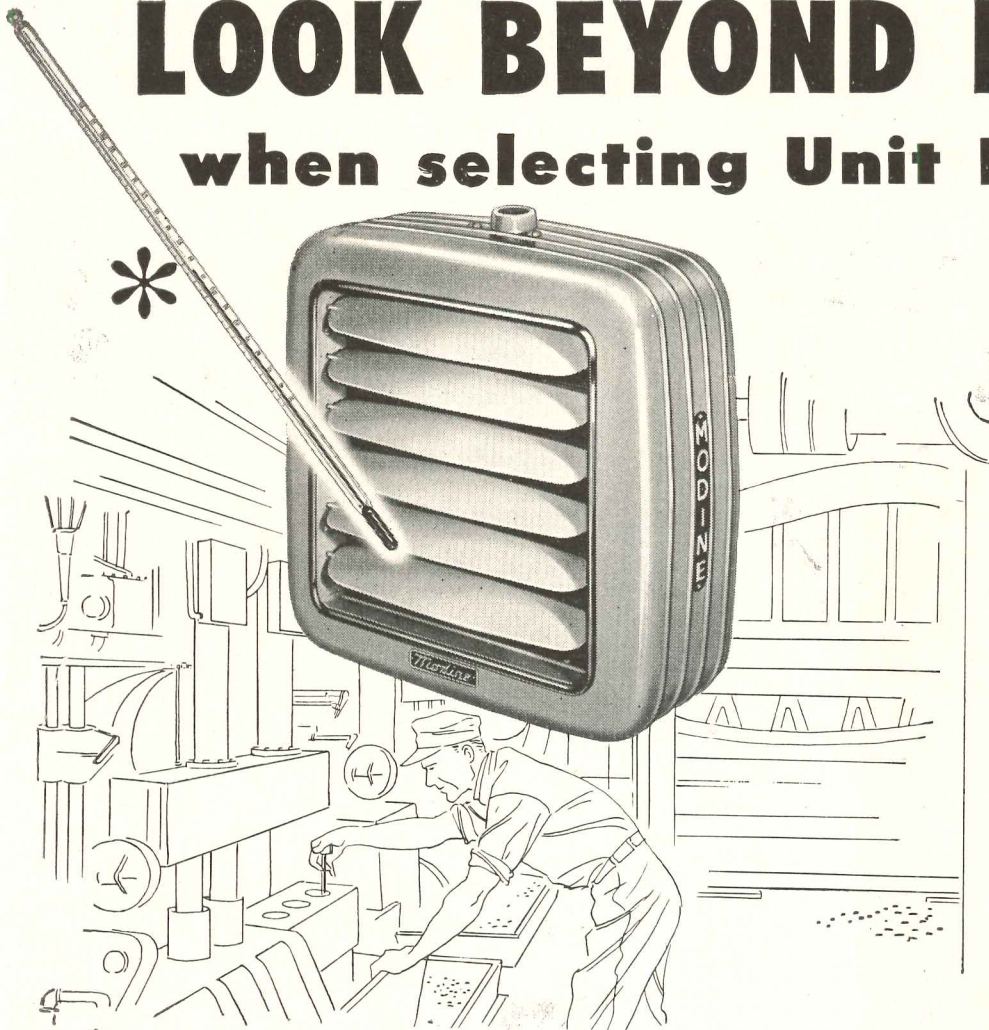
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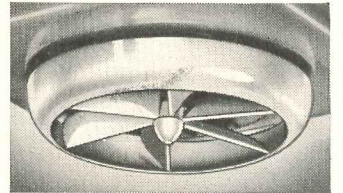
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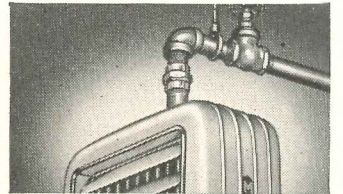
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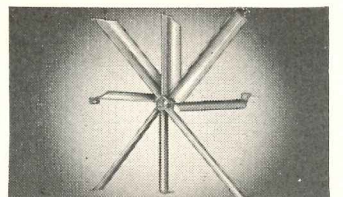
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# Modine UNIT HEATERS

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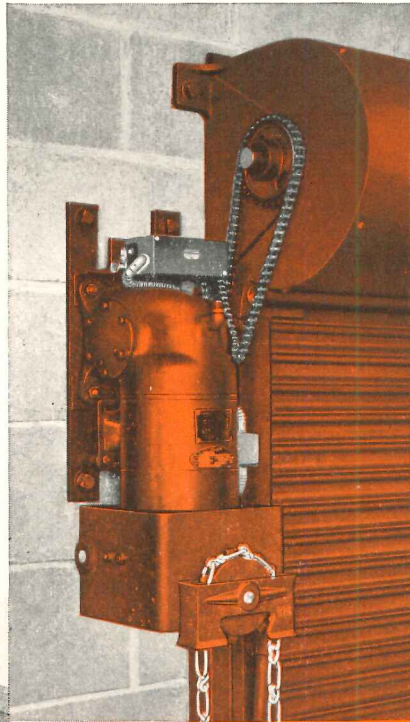
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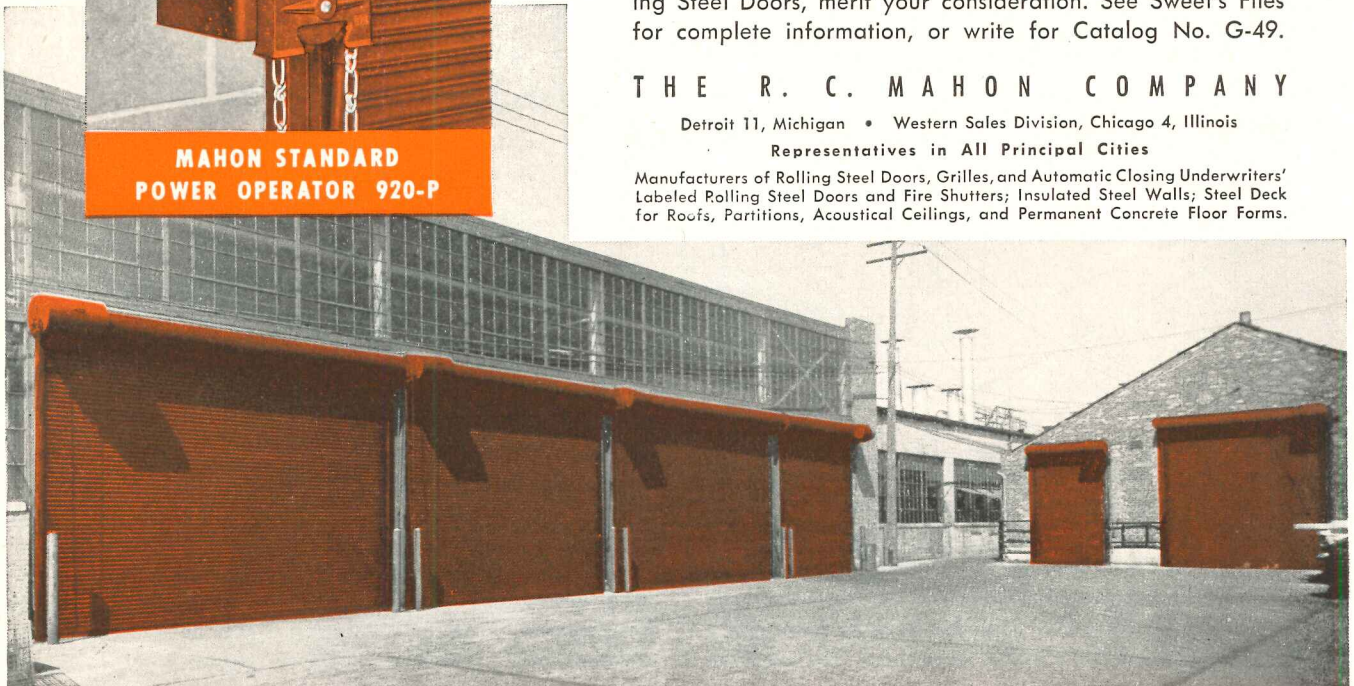
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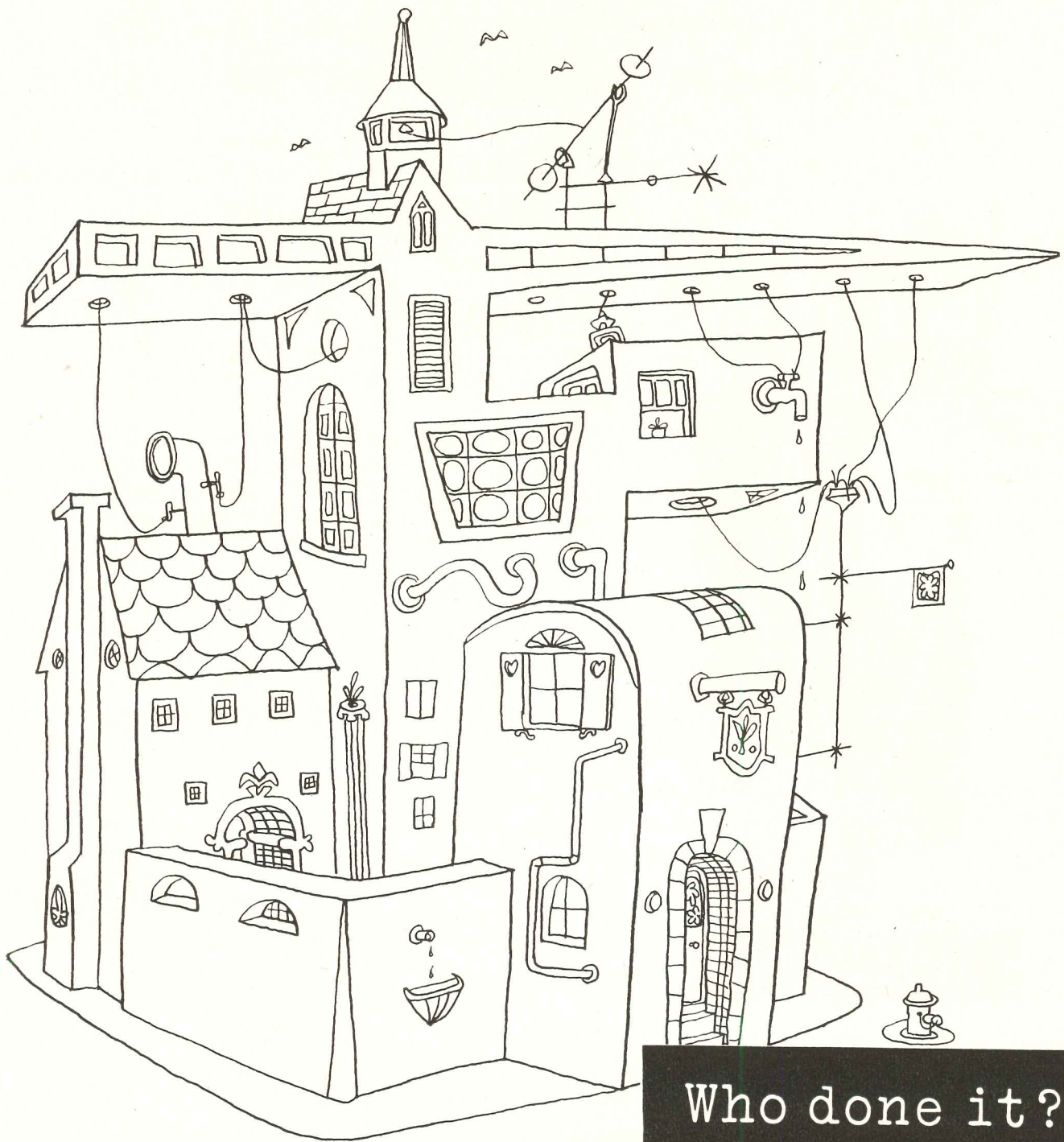
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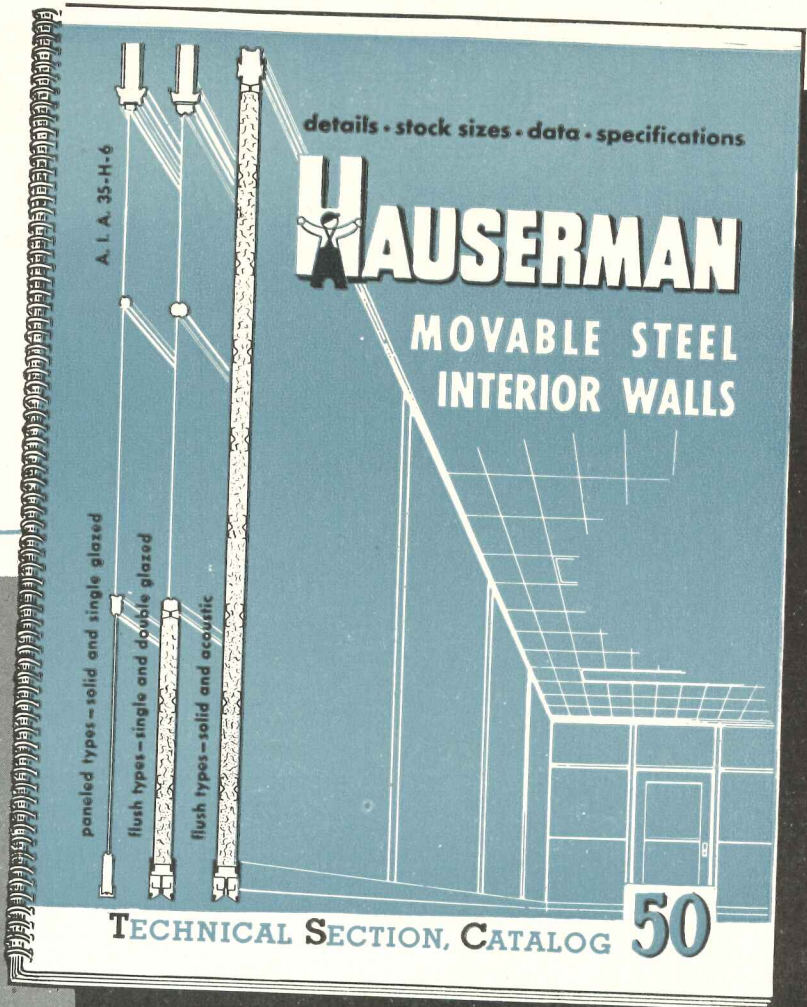
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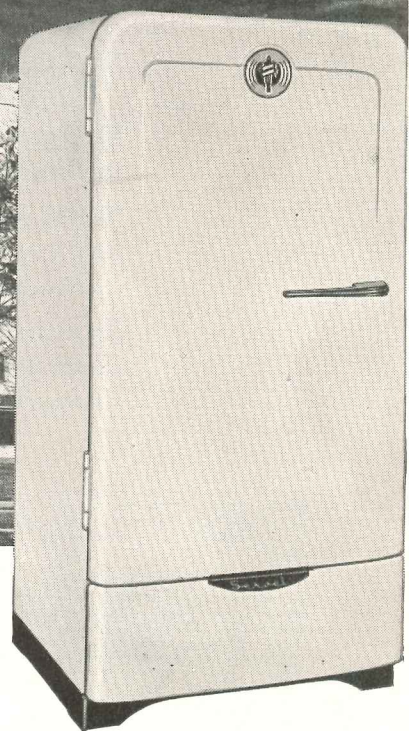
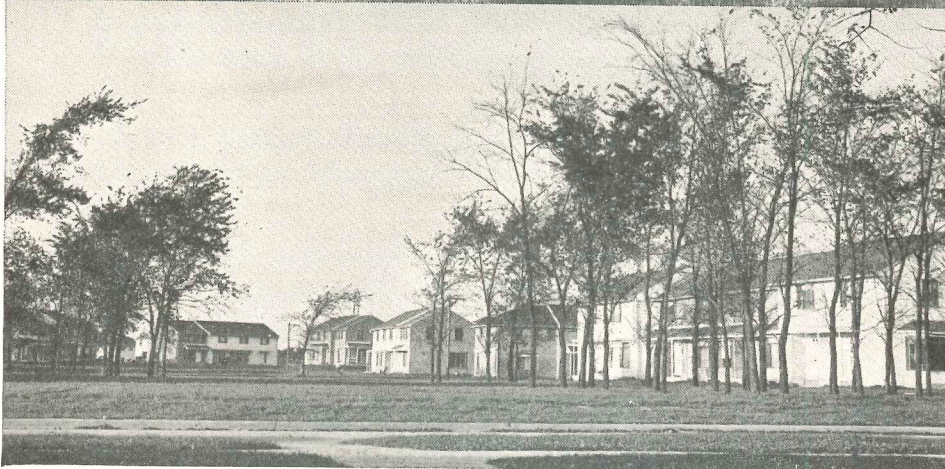
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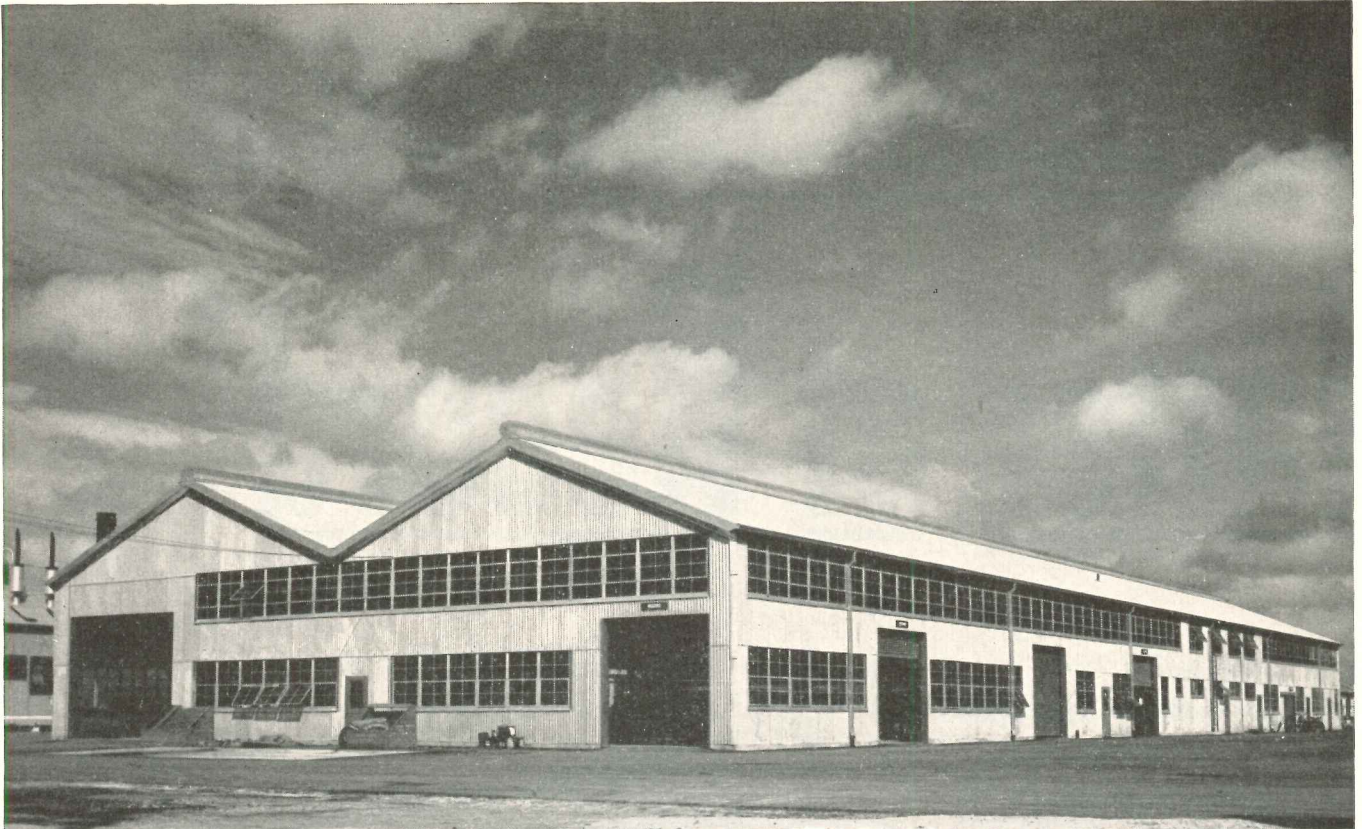
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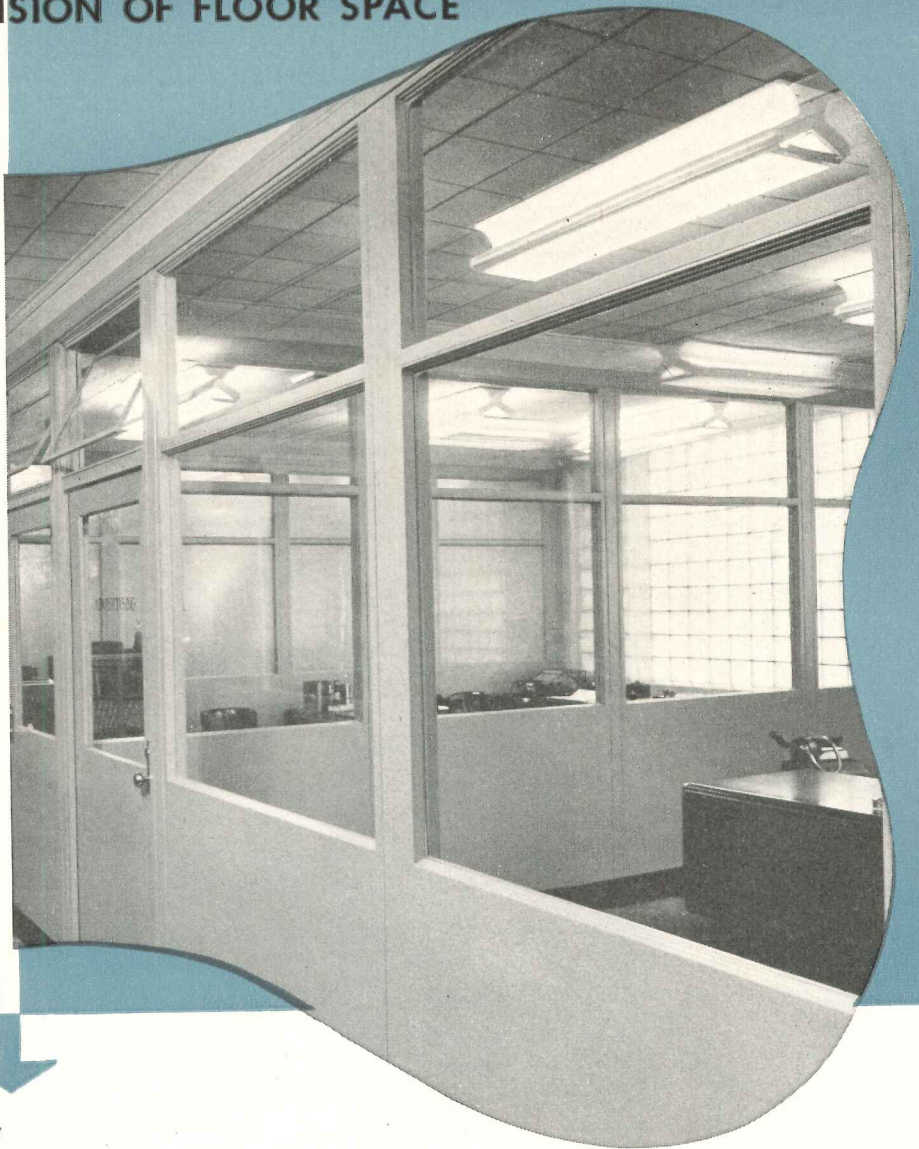
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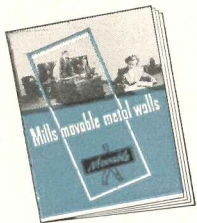


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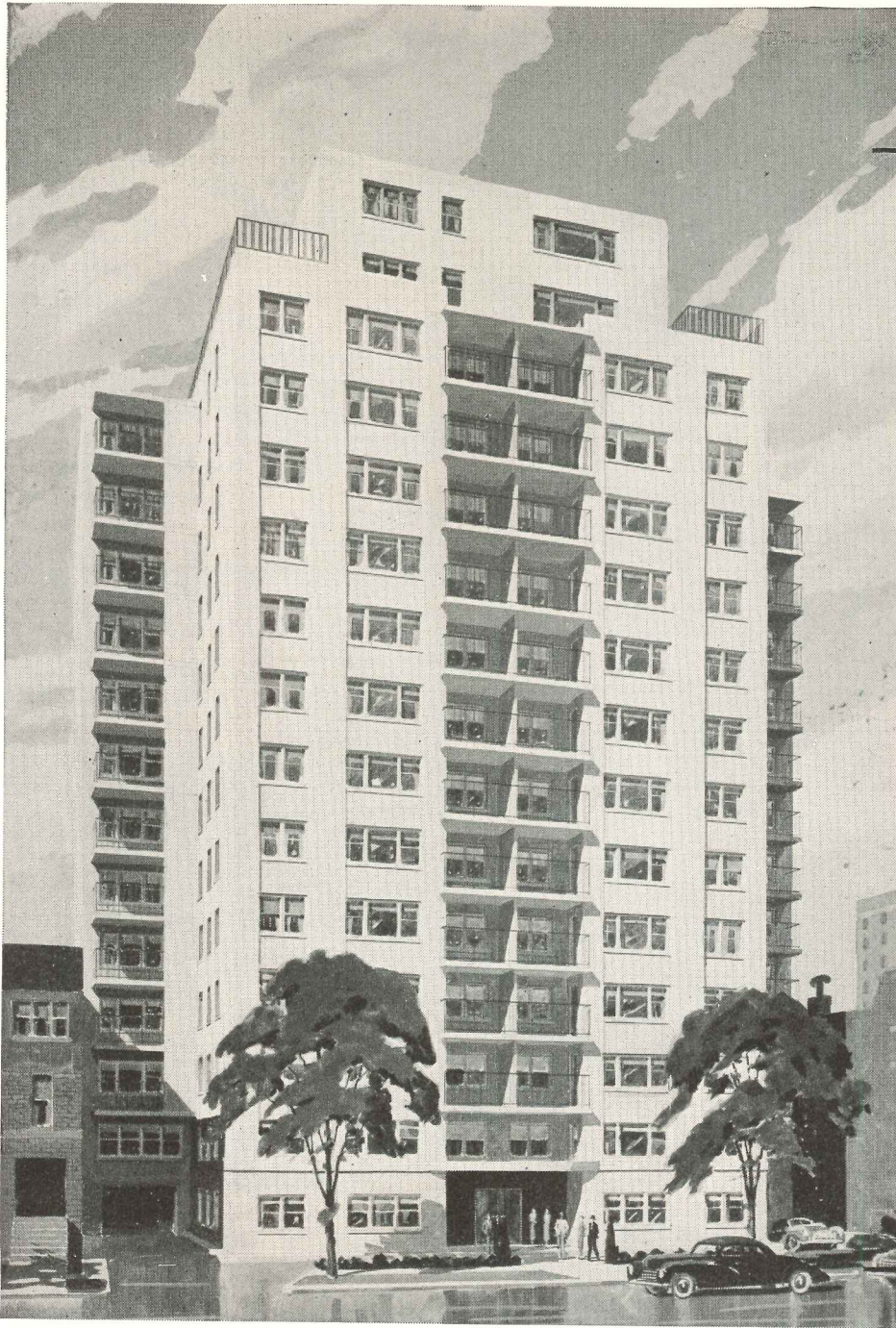
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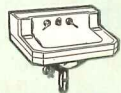


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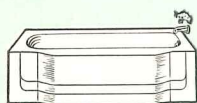
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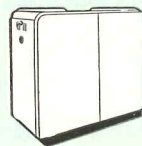
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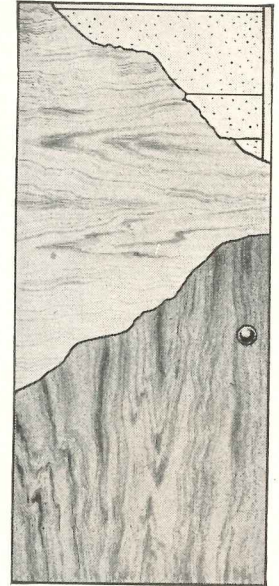
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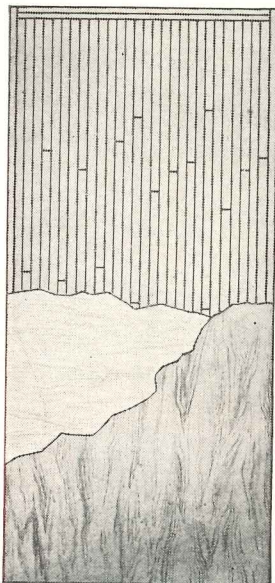


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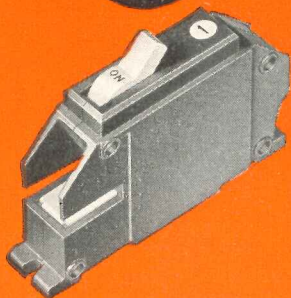
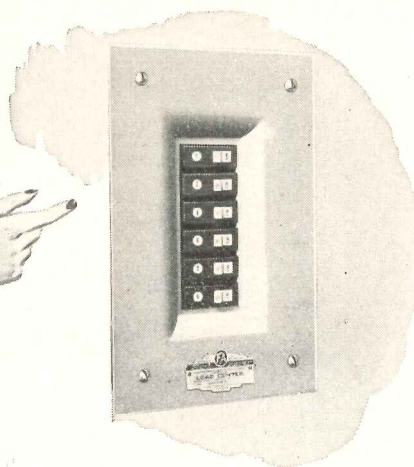
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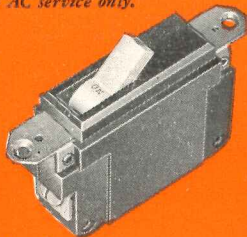
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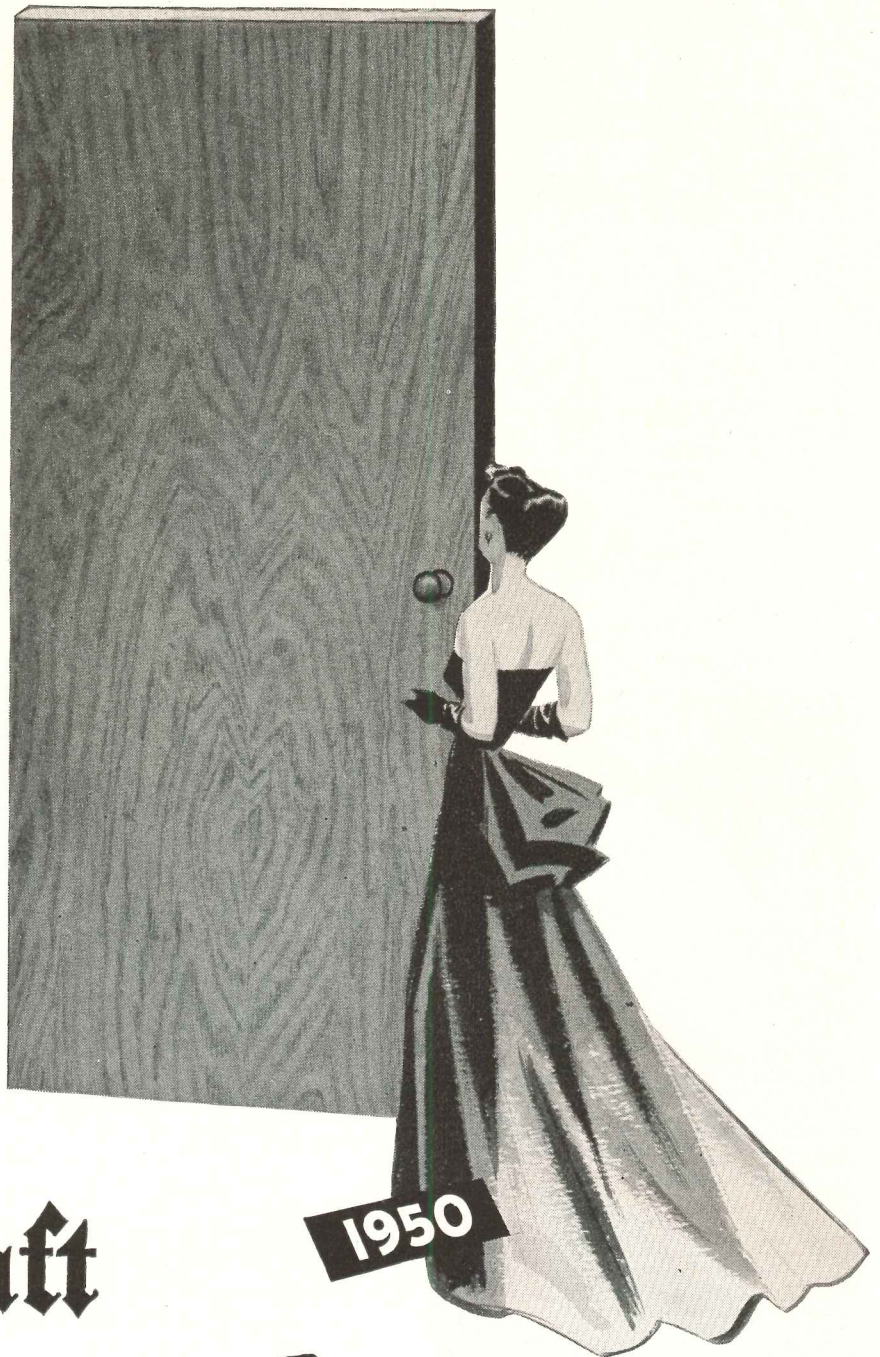
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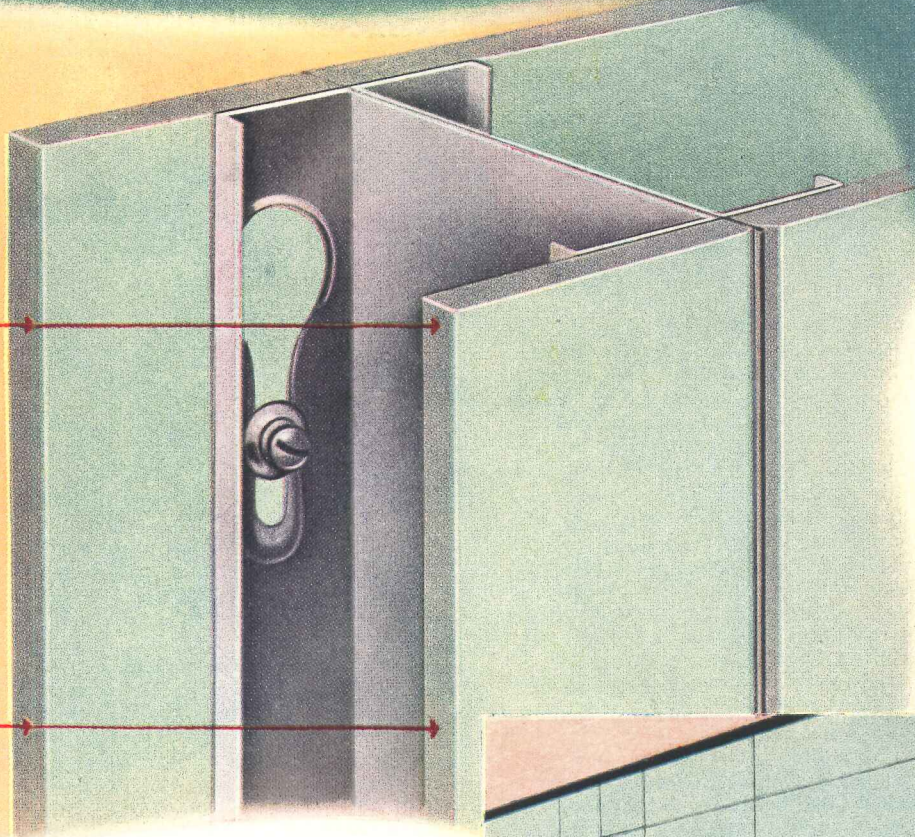


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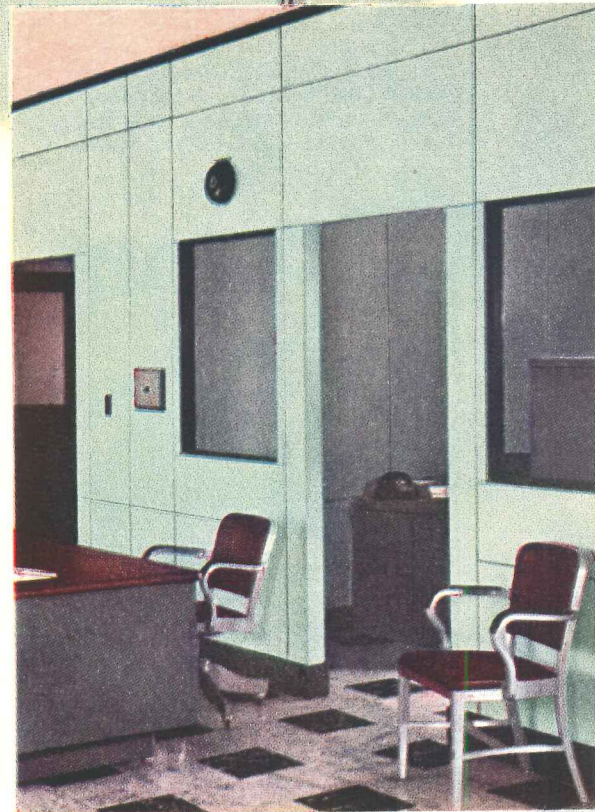
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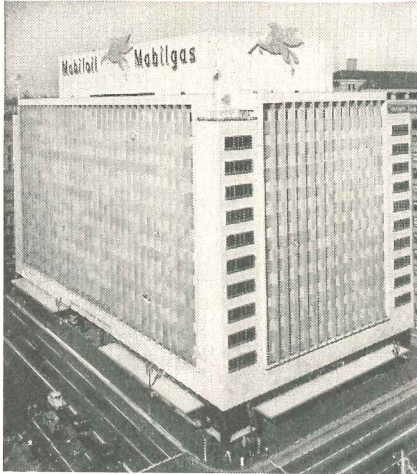
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Basic approach in design of the equipment, which was done by the office of Ralph E. Phillips, consulting mechanical and electrical engineers, was determined by Southern California weather which may require the building to be heated and cooled simultaneously. One duct brings cooled air and the other heated air to all portions of the building.

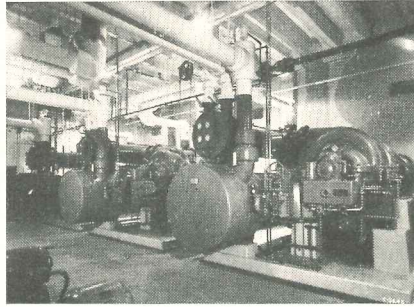
The outlets are spaced to fit the modular design of the building which is on a 14 and 7 foot plan. Outlets are located each 14 feet on most floors; a few floors, where smaller offices



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Feeding the air to the twin-duct system are 48 fan rooms. Four are located on each floor from the second to the top floor of the 13-story building. Each fan room contains heating and cooling coils and a 3 horsepower electrically driven fan flowing 7500 cfm.

The refrigeration plant consists of three Worthington 300-hp centrifugal compressors, using "Freon 11", with a capacity of 333 tons each. Chilled water from the refrigeration plant is circulated to the cooling coils in the fan rooms, from where the cooled and conditioned air is distributed throughout the building. Cooling towers are located on the roof.

W. S. Kilpatrick & Company, Los Angeles, contractors. Wurdeman & Becket, Los Angeles, Architects.

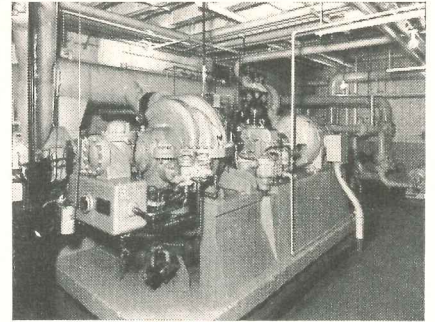
### Hot News Gets Cooled Off

The Nashville Tennessean and the Nashville Banner are published in Newspaper Printing Corp.'s air conditioned building.

The entire building, with the exception of the press room with its large printing roll presses, is air conditioned with Worthington equipment. Executive offices have individual temperature control. Multiple zone control for the building is provided by using face and by-pass dampers plus hot water reheat.

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Architects and Engineers: Marr & Holman, Nashville. Contractors: J. M. Gallagher Co., Nashville.



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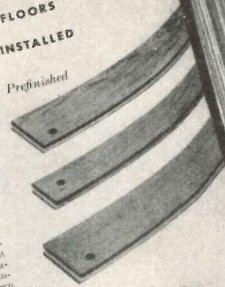
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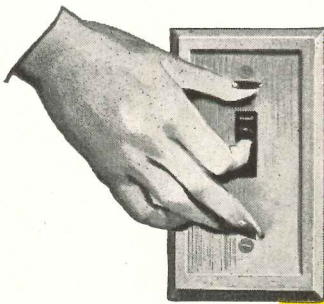
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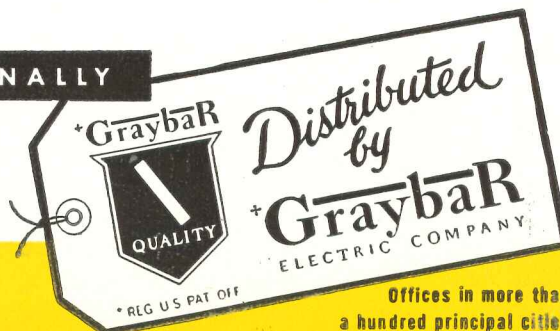
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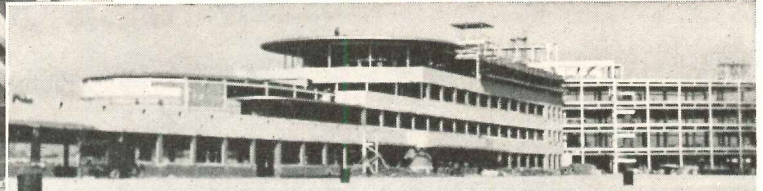
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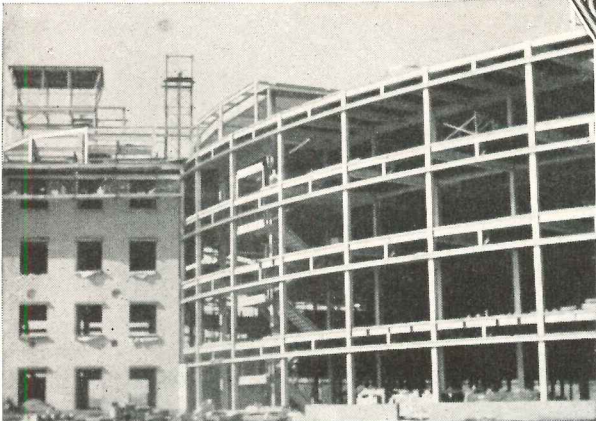
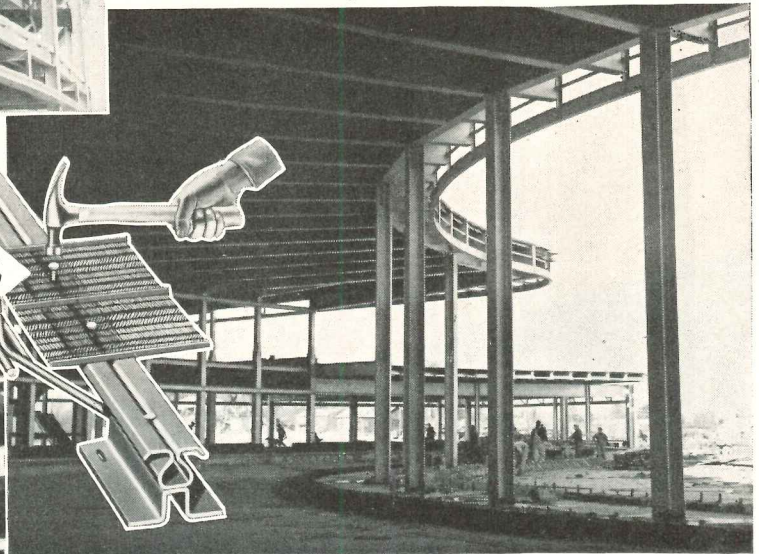
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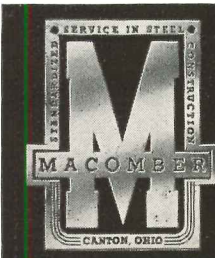
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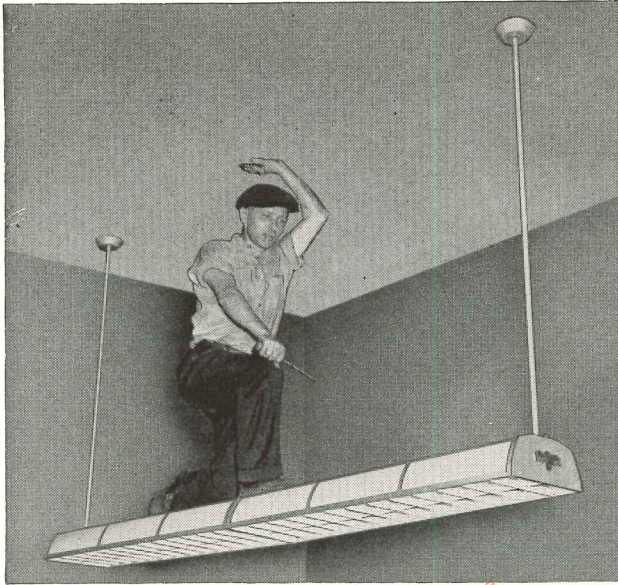
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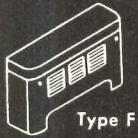
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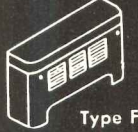
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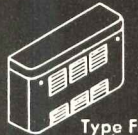
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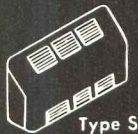
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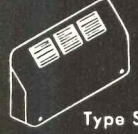
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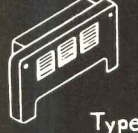
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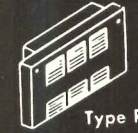
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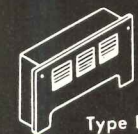
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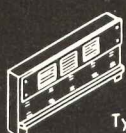
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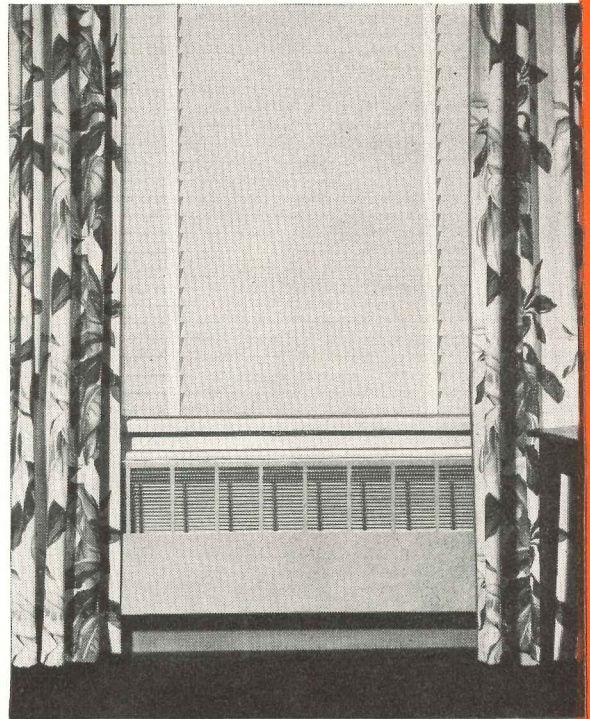
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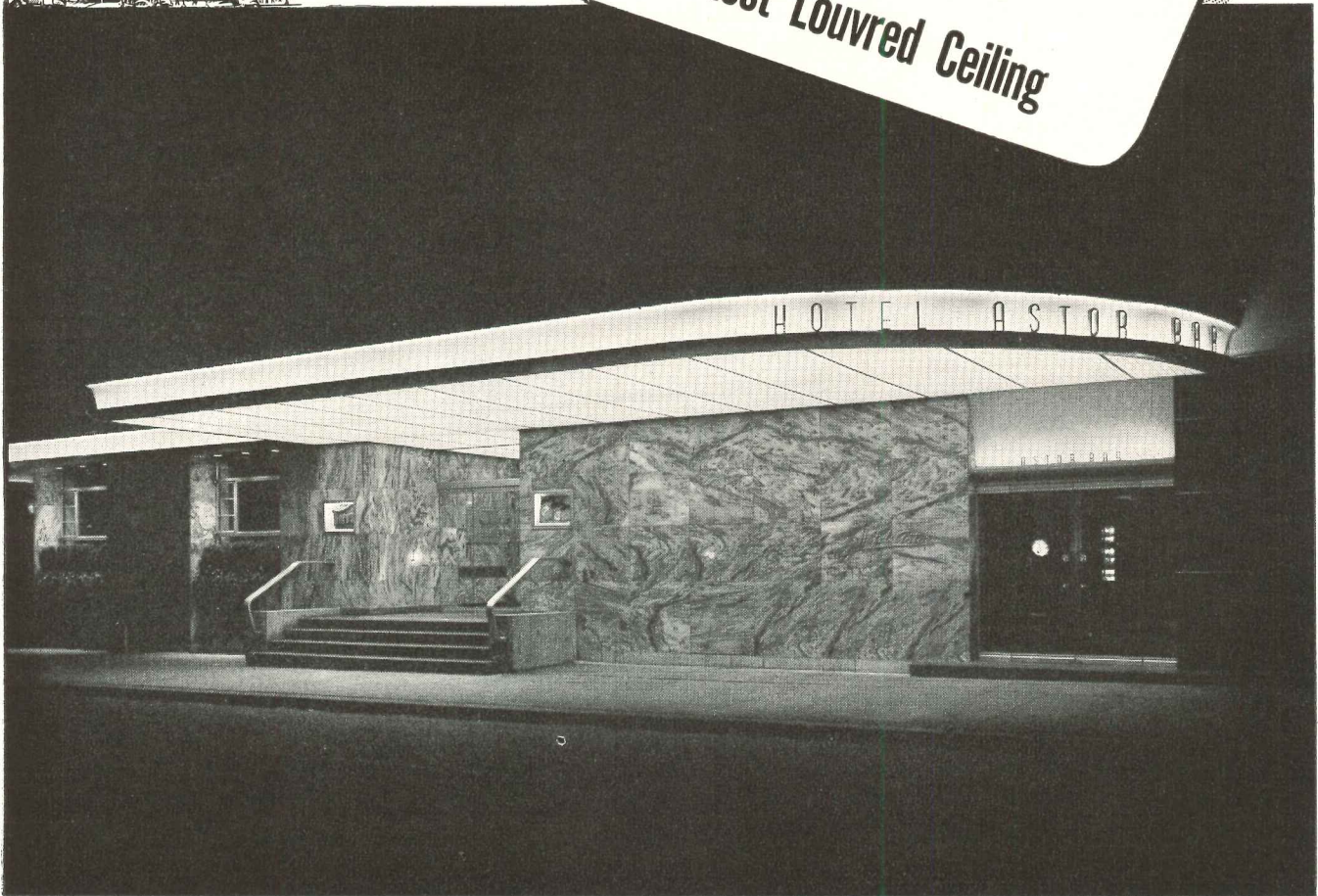


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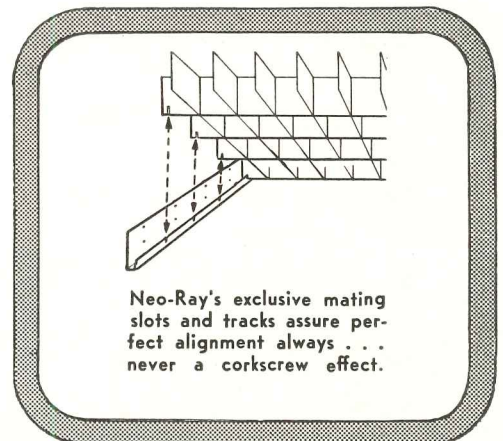
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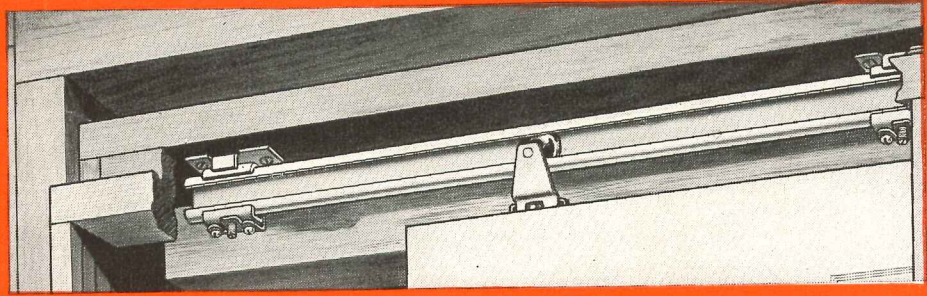
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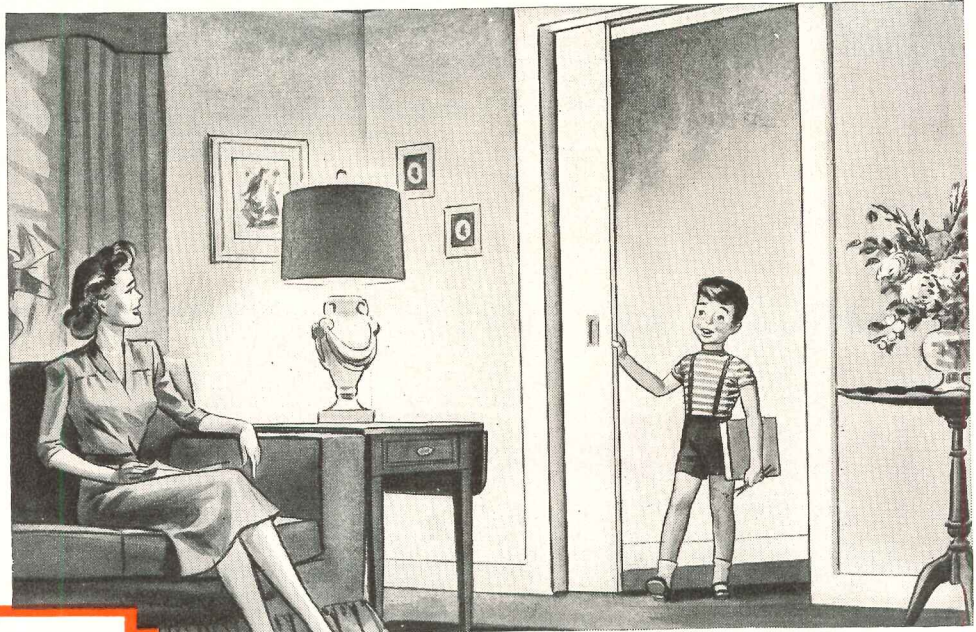


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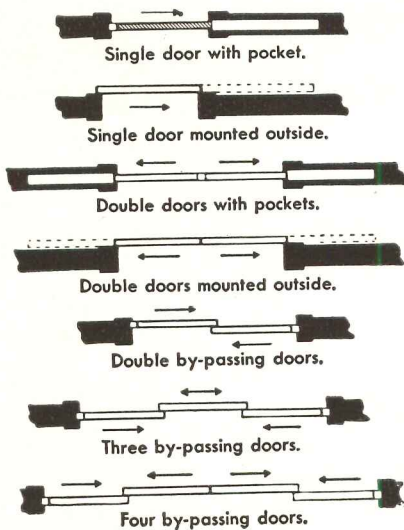


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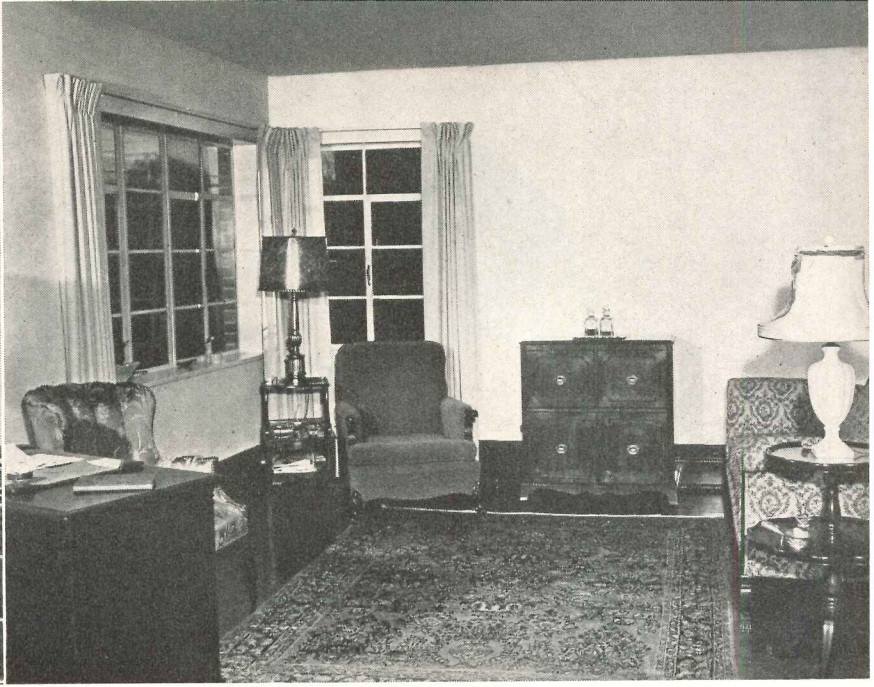
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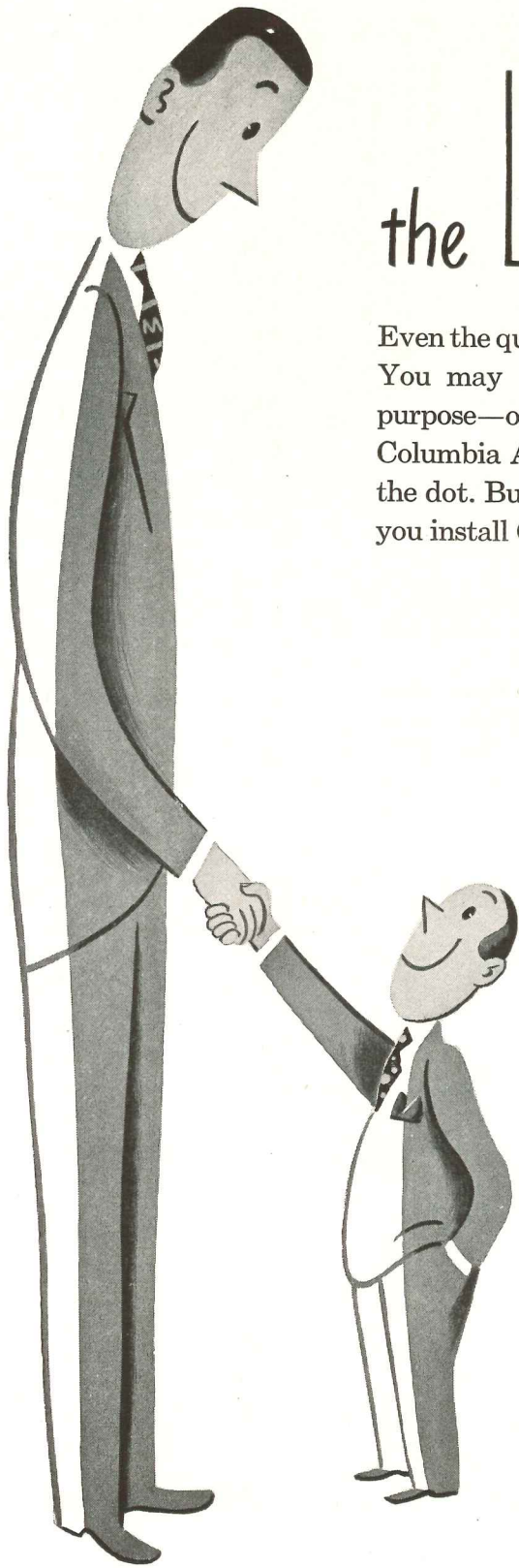
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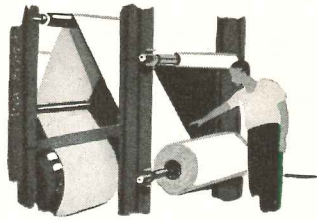
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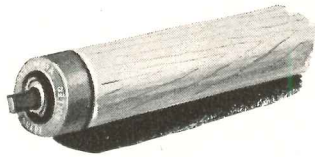


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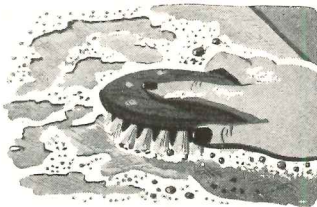
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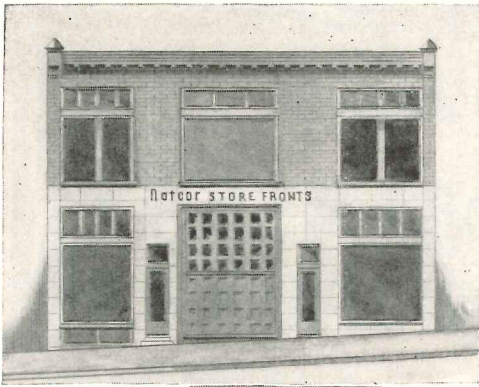


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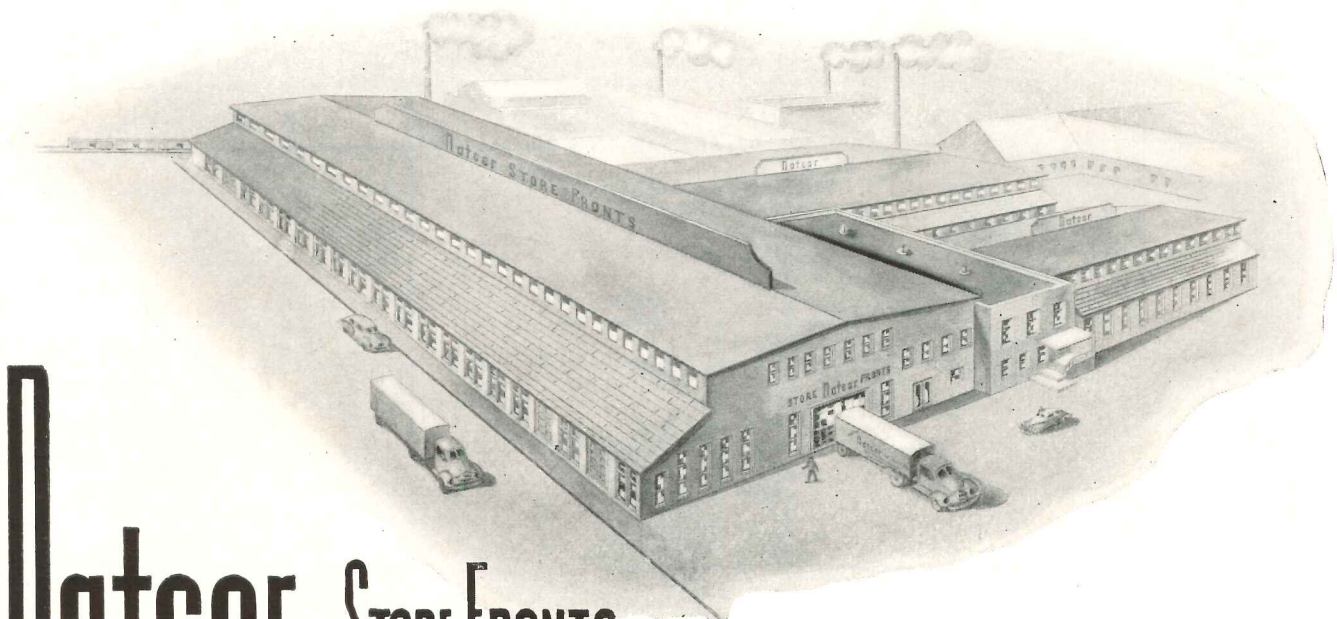


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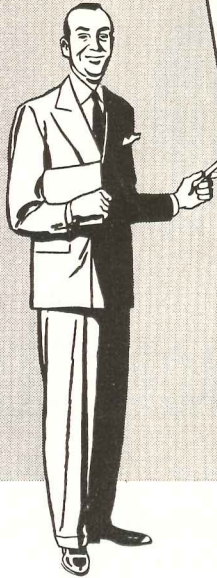
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<b>KENCORK</b> Cork Tile	NO	✓	✓	✓	✓	NO	NO
<b>RUBBER TILE</b> by the makers of Kentile	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NO

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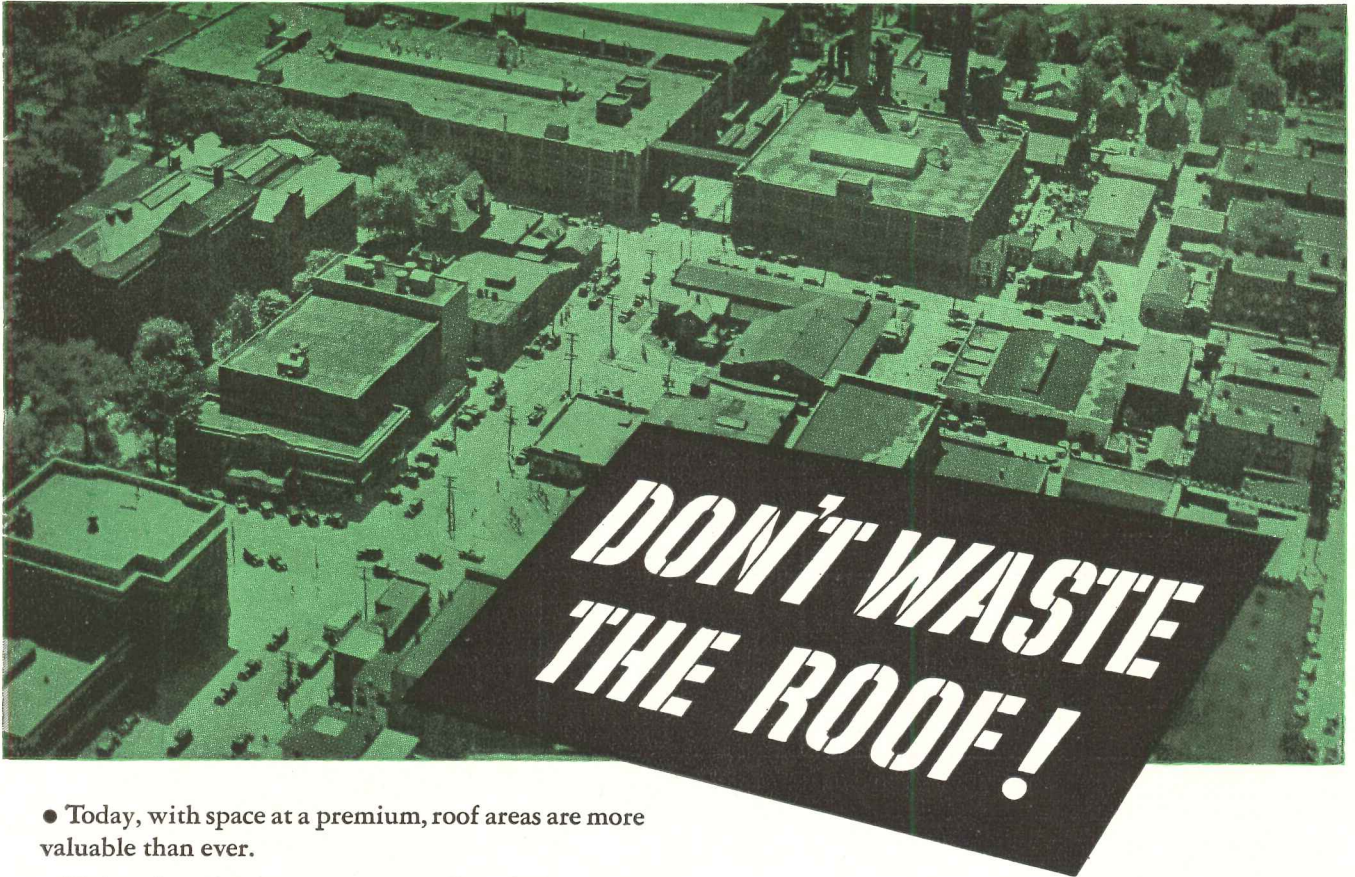
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<b>KENCORK</b> Cork Tile	✓*	✓	✓	✓*	✓	NO	NO	NO
<b>RUBBER TILE</b> by the makers of Kentile	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ BUT NOT IN OR NEAR KITCHEN AREAS	NO

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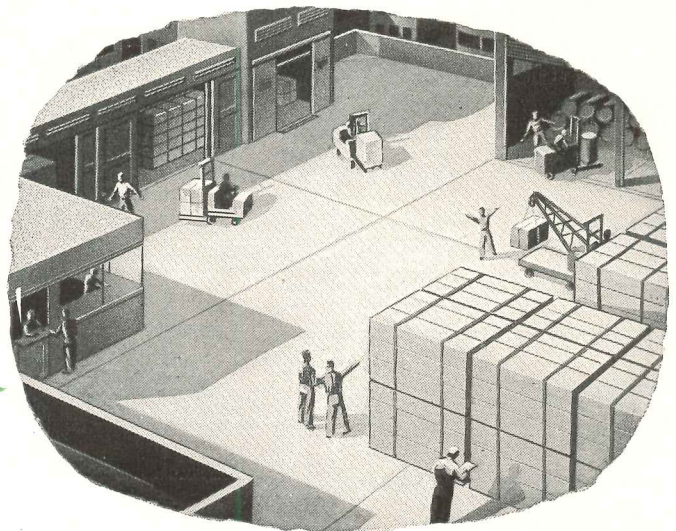
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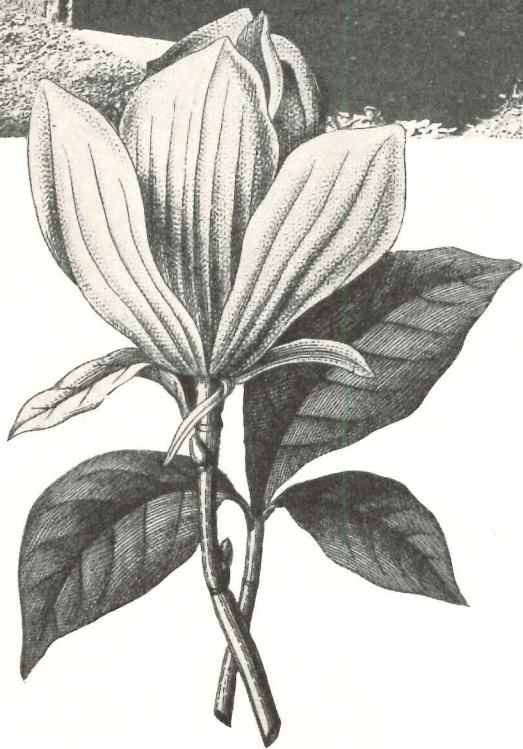
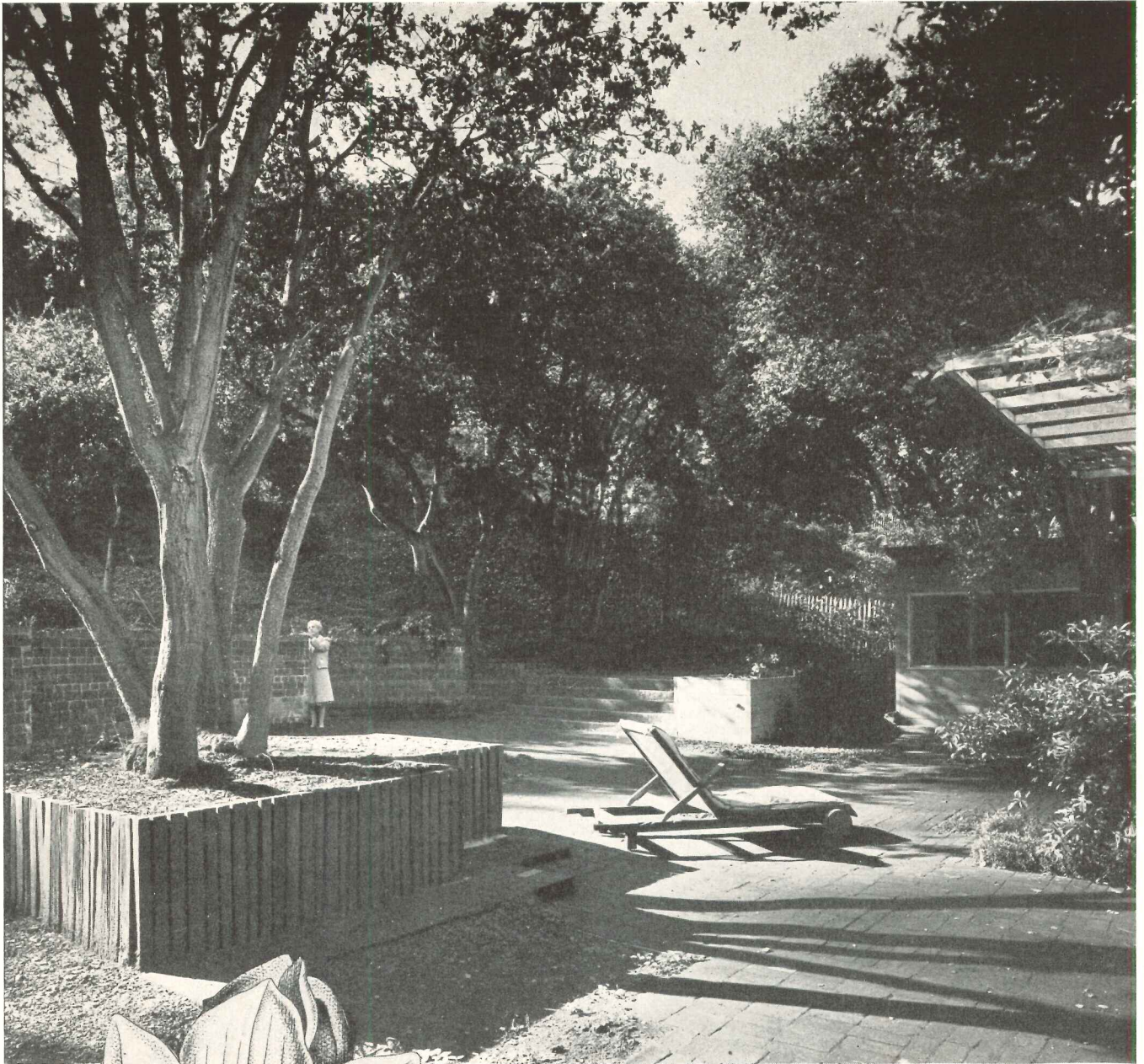
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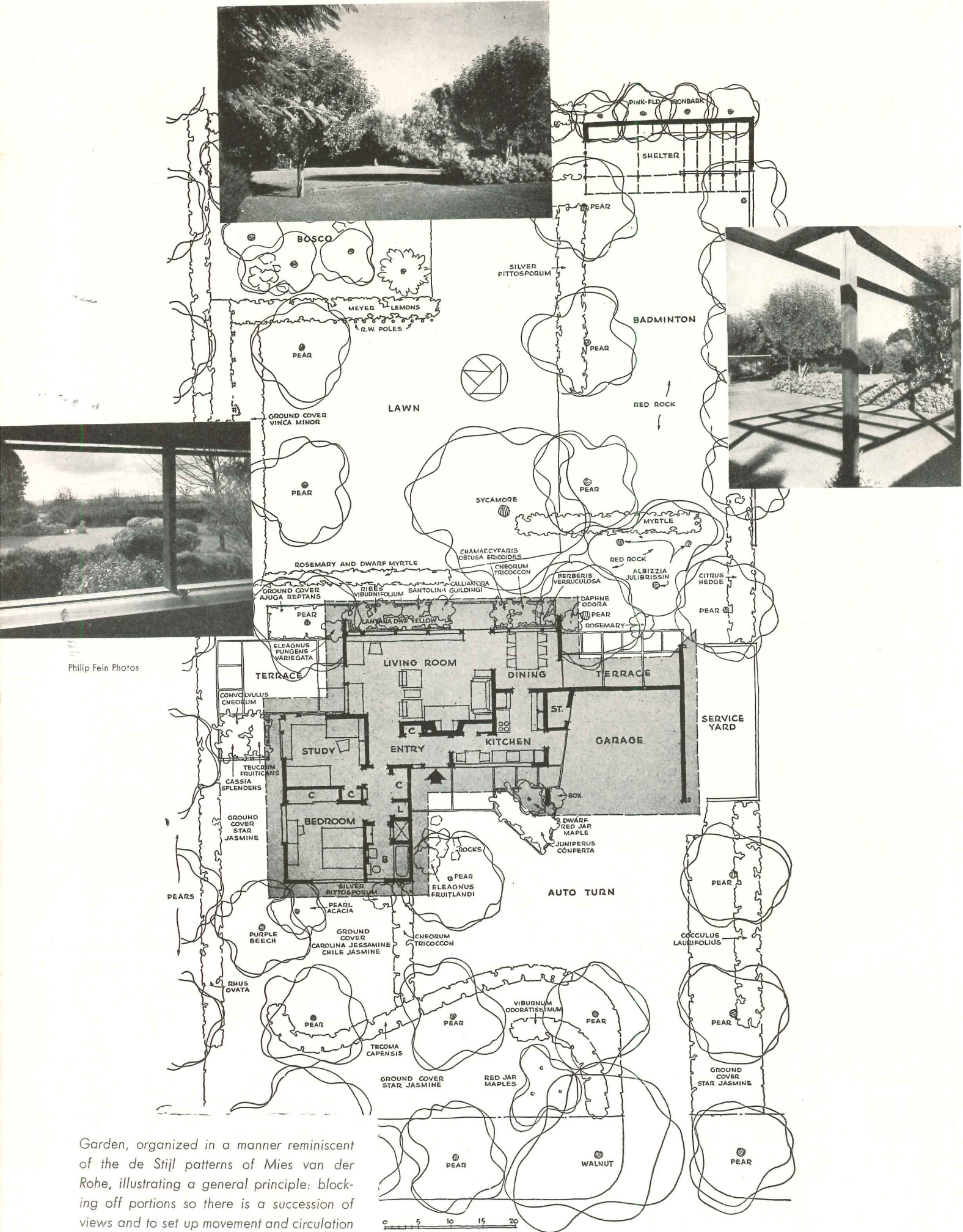
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## SPACE AND PEOPLE

*by Garrett Eckbo*

The Editors present in these pages a condensation of part of an important book, "Landscape for Living," which will be published early in 1950 by ARCHITECTURAL RECORD in collaboration with Duell, Sloan & Pearce. The author, of the California firm of Eckbo, Royston and Williams, planning consultants and landscape architects, is interested and experienced, not alone in organizing outdoor space to fulfill definite functions, but also in positively, humanly relating it to people.



Philip Fein Photos

Garden, organized in a manner reminiscent of the de Stijl patterns of Mies van der Rohe, illustrating a general principle: blocking off portions so there is a succession of views and to set up movement and circulation

"Gardens, like houses, are built of space. Gardens are fragments of space set aside by the planes of terraces and walls and disciplined foliage. Until now we have defined too nicely the differences between that space which is roofed and within the house and that which is left outside and round the house. We did not see, until the architect threw down his walls, that the space of house and that of garden are parts of a single organism: that the secret of unity lies in a unity of spatial sequences. The new vision has dissolved the ancient boundary between architecture and landscape architecture. The garden flows into and over the house: through loggias and courts and wide areas of clear glass and over roofs and sun rooms and canopied terraces. The house reaches out into the garden with walls and terraced enclosures that continue its rhythms and share its grace. The concordant factor is the new quality given to space." — *Joseph Hudnut*

PEOPLE live ON the earth, ON the land, but IN the three-dimensional air-space, the atmospheric volume, immediately above this land surface. Plans and land-use maps may be measured diagrammatically and abstractly in square footage and acreage, but space for living is measured in cubage, in volumes of air-space enclosed or organized with tangible physical elements. The term "space" may be used scientifically by astronomers, demagogically by reactionary politicians, and abstrusely by artistic intellectuals, but to ordinary people it has an ordinary practical meaning — room to live in, to work in, to play in, to relax in.

Every piece of land which is set aside by legal property lines as being within the private ownership of some individual or organization is really a block of space, a volume of atmosphere, bounded by vertical planes projected from the property lines, with a third dimension adequate to include the development programmed for that land, whether it be a one-story house or a sixty-story skyscraper. The real estate, the land, is only the floor, the bottom side of this space for living. It provides a foundation for structures, a root medium for plants, a source of raw materials, but the volume above it is the primary element.

If the land has some irregularity or slope it has to that extent a third dimension which produces some sense of volume, determined by the vertical pull of gravity. Beyond that, every element, every rock, every hole or gully, every bush or tree, every wall or pole, every object alive or dead, moving or stable, produces a physical organization and definition of space, gives it tangible comprehensive form, encloses it, puts it under control, or puts it in motion around focal elements, all with tremendous variations in intensity, precision, strength or subtlety, and sensations resulting in the person or persons within that space. The land, the air-space, and the physical elements and materials on the land are all mutually interdependent — land and super-surface elements give form to space; space displays the form of land and elements. Space sensation very simply is the aggregate of all the physical sensations one experiences in a given place at a given time.

We live continuously subjected to spatial sensation, wherever we go, indoors and out, from birth to death. The experience of space is a common and vital human

experience, comparable to those of food, sleep, clothing, or sex. We all remember childhood and youthful experiences of pleasant and unpleasant spaces — backyards, sheds, attics, playgrounds, railroad yards, beaches, streets and alleys, basements — and their effect upon our growing awareness of, and attitude toward, the world around us. This sensitivity seems to get dulled, or submerged to the subconscious, as we grow older. Perhaps this happens because the spatial experiences of the majority of the population are quite poverty-stricken. The American scene — Main Street, urban housing, the standard residential suburb — has a general commercialized sterility which is far below the technical and esthetic potential of our culture. This is the richest country in the world, yet most of our buildings are badly proportioned, skimpily planned, and of a monotonous and deadly similarity. Even our architects tend to insufficient concern with spatial experience, and to dull, stereotyped, monotonous work. Our outdoor experiences are somewhat more varied, but there is the same tendency toward repetition of a dull and tired formula in streets, and in gardens and parks where they exist. Speculation in land and its chain of shoddy and miserly land use and space conceptions have produced the poverty of space for most American people, and the poverty of people for most American space, which is the basic contradiction of our environment. This is expressed statistically in terms of housing, slums, juvenile delinquency, fire risk, etc., and without statistics in a general neurosis, a general worry and hostility, jangled nerves, and the constant urge to get away from whatever place we happen to be in.

Space, beginning as necessity and ending as luxury, is one of the primary conditioners of human development. Measured in square or cubic feet per person, qualified by the character of its organization, it is one of the basic gauges of the quality of our living environ-



Extending space organization on a steep lot by projecting a trellis to increase security and heighten relationship of house to view

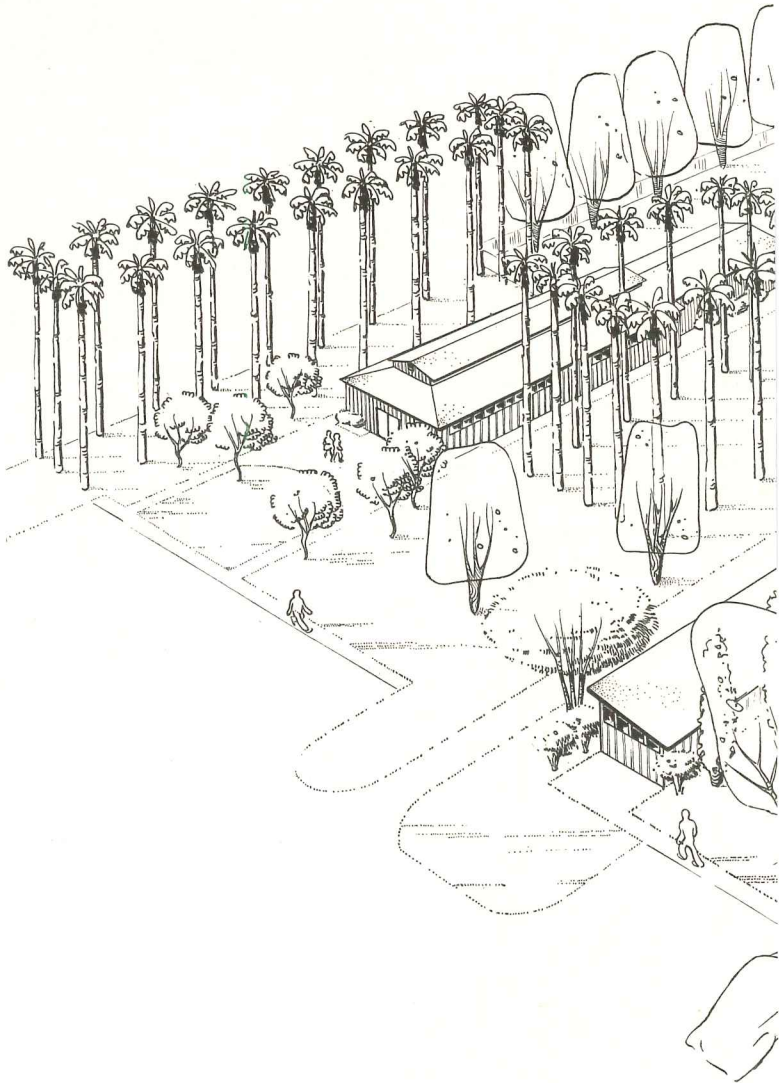
ment. A future science of the space we live in will establish standards for full American living which will be optimums rather than minimums (which quickly become maximums) — as, hypothetically, 1000 square feet for a two-bedroom house. The relation of such standards to the health of the nation has yet to be measured. Families with one or two children can be found living in any size unit from 500 to 15,000 square feet; most are probably living in less than 1000. How can we explain this spread in accommodation, save in terms of luxury and scarcity? — this conspicuous consumption of space by a few; the conspicuous consumption of the many by the inadequate space left over?

Artists and architects cannot escape the impact of such contradictions. The architect is led to concern with the contradiction between our advanced building technology and our advanced housing crisis, between the potential richness and the actual poverty of our general physical habitat, in his specific struggles with the contradictions between space and structure expressed as needs vs. restrictions, biology vs. cost, and so on. Thus we encounter rationalizations of the reduction, by economic pressure, of the \$10,000 house from 2000 square feet in 1928 to 700 square feet in 1948; houses have grown as they have become smaller; in them, many areas must serve several different functions.

While space concepts vary among modern buildings, they agree in general in being more open in plan and in exterior walls than traditional buildings. That is, they have moved from the concept of a building as a mass or block, with holes punched in the sides for light, air, and access, toward the concept of buildings as free and flexible arrangements of wall planes, some solid and some open, between floor and roof planes. The early work of Mies van der Rohe is perhaps the best example of this latter concept; it eliminated more preoccupation with facade and sculptural or plastic qualities than that of other leaders. Gardens and landscapes in general are apprehended only from within themselves; they do not have the outside walls or facades which still make it possible to walk around most buildings, however modern, and view them as objects, more or less sculptural, in the landscape. Only from an airplane or a high place can one view gardens or landscapes from outside themselves, and their scale changes radically in the process of getting so far above them.

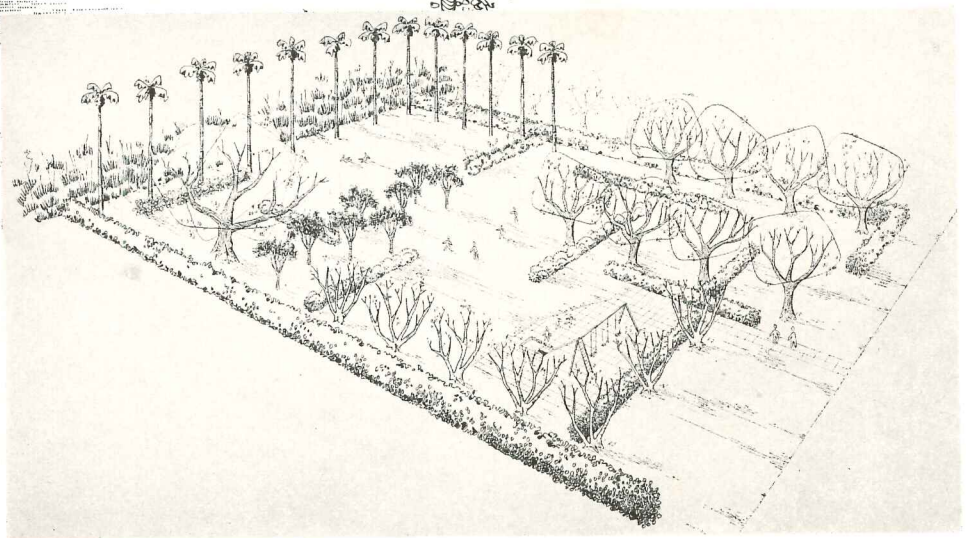
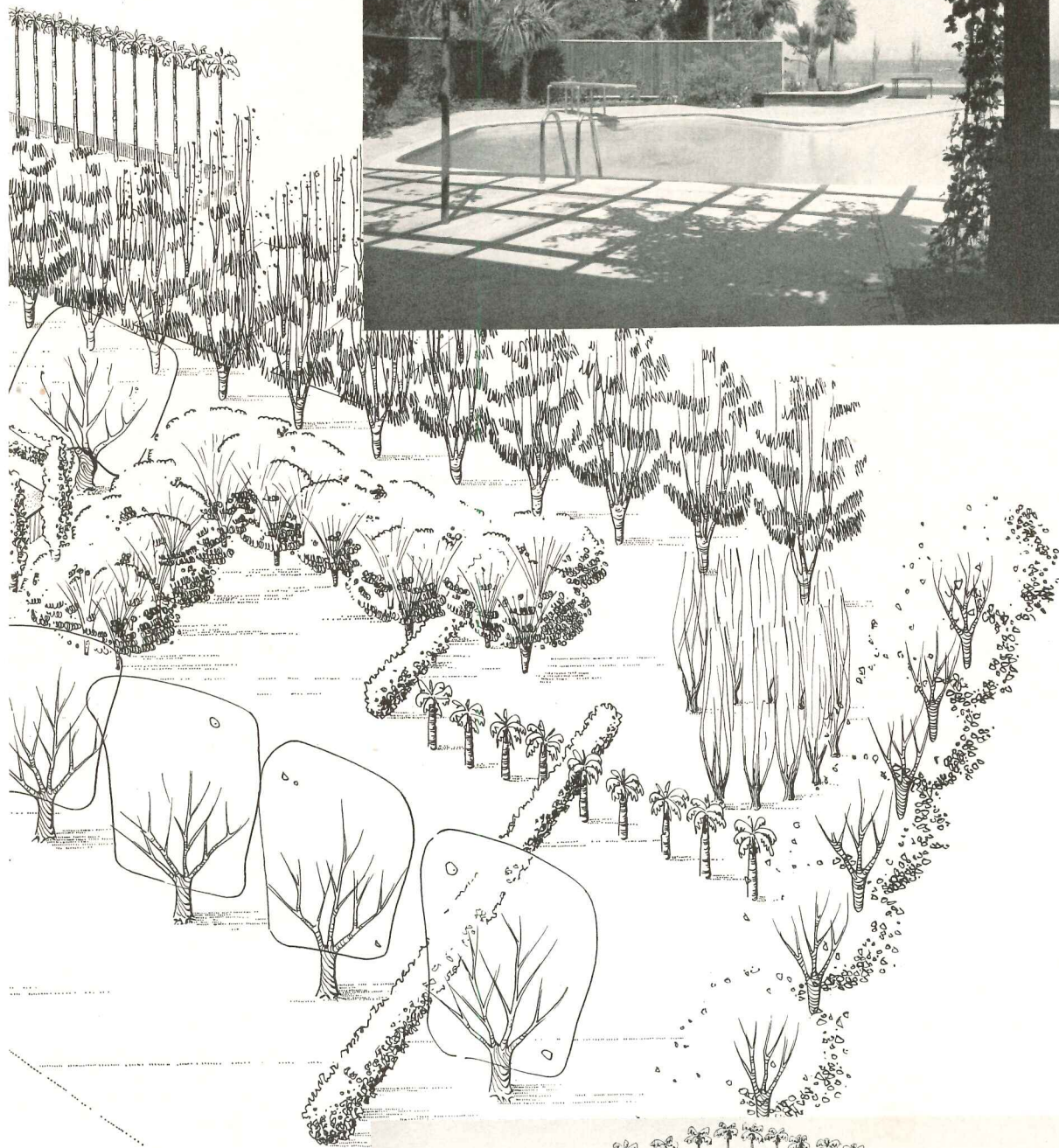
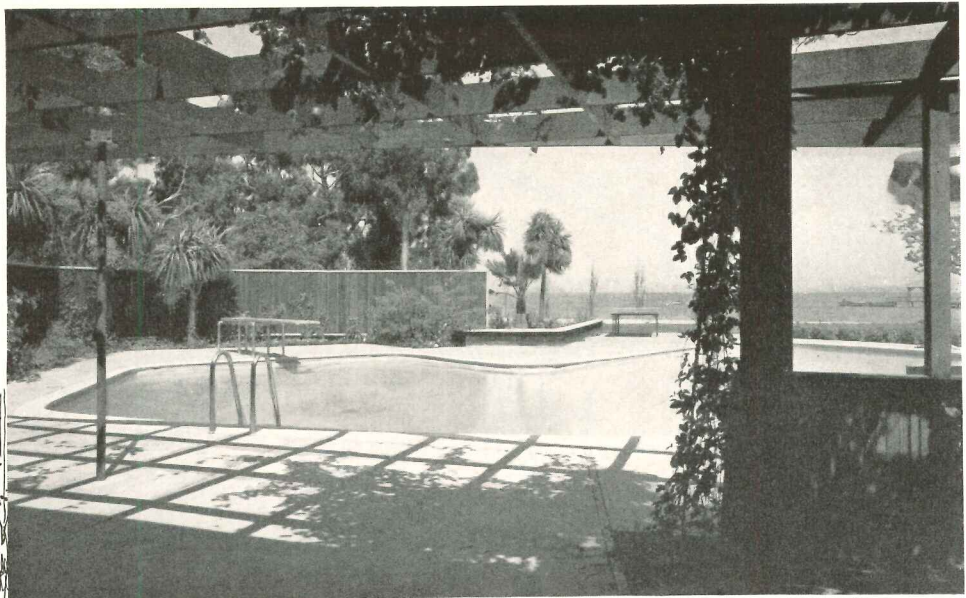
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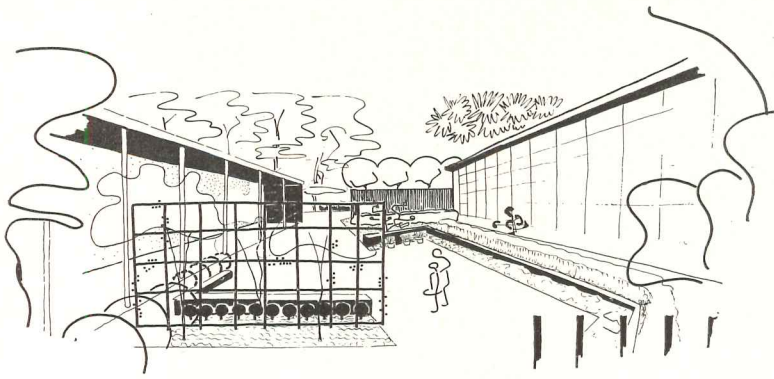
We are not here to advance rules or formulae for the new concept of space-form in the landscape. However, we can suggest the direction. The practical will become esthetic and the esthetic practical. The practical solution of almost any landscape problem will take the following steps: surfacing, enclosure, enrichment. Instead of concentrating on enrichment elements — pictures, "compositions," patterns, flower borders — we will tend to concentrate more on sensitive and imaginative selection and arrangement of enclosure and surfacing elements. Such concentration, while it establishes a framework or shell within which any amount of further en-



Top right: composition integrating a functional swimming pool with surrounding countryside by continuity of structural and planting patterns. Center: development for a community center, more complex than the standard open-meadow park, indicating potential variation in grass-shrub-tree relationships. Bottom: space organization for a small, level park; compare with garden, p. 70

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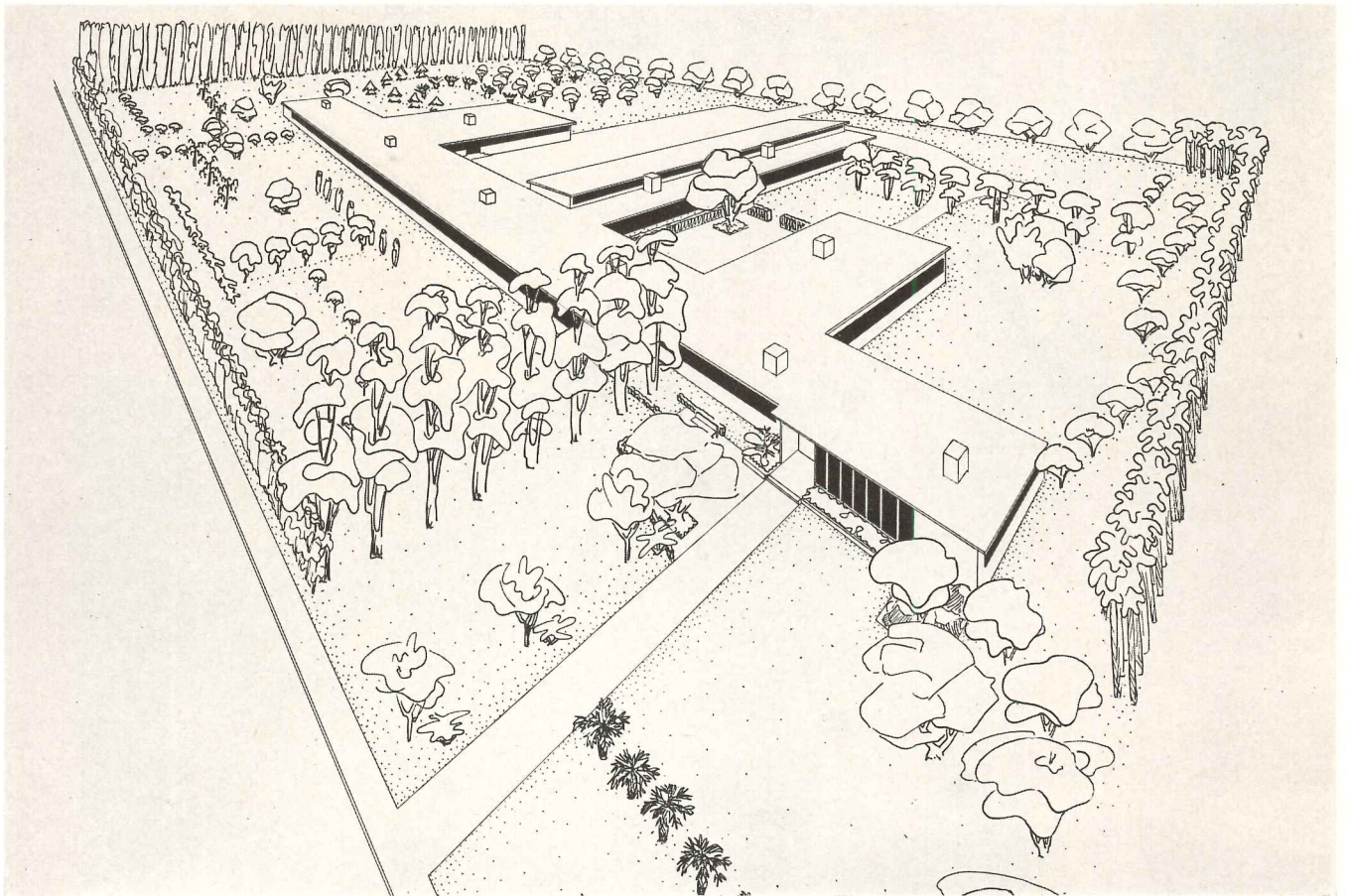
Left: refinement of long, narrow courts (here, in a college science building) by means of simple structural elements, improving three-dimensional proportions. Bottom of page: providing maximum visual satisfaction for patients confined in a long ward wing which has a continuous glazed wall. Typical of many contemporary buildings, this seems to demand a pleasant outlook from windows rather than a building setting to be viewed from the street

richment can be woven into the overall harmony, is equally satisfying with no more than the greatest enrichment of all — human life and activity. For a really full and well-rounded scientific art of space organization, outdoors as well as in, will proceed always with two primary ideas in mind. These can be contradictory or complementary as they are interpreted by specific designers in specific situations. One is the objective of giving the richest, most plastic, and satisfying form to the space which is being organized; the other is to concentrate always on that space as an arena, volume, background, and shelter for human life and activity. People

are its primary content; without them it becomes an empty abstraction, exterior decoration, excess gilding, as so many great historical gardens were. People are the focal points, the terminal features, the final vitality of any spatial enclosure we may create. That is why the open center may almost be called a principle of modern design.

#### *People*

People are seldom discussed, realistically and sympathetically rather than mechanically, as essential components or elements of theories of planning and design.





Yet it is useless to project a science and an art of fine and handsome space organization unless we project also fine and handsome people within that space. Nor can we project the expansion of this fine and handsome space organization throughout the greater part of the physical environment unless we can also project the majority of the population of that environment as being equally fine and handsome. If our concept of design is held on a higher plane than our concept of people, we introduce a basic contradiction into our work which will make it impossible to continuously broaden and enrich it.

Is art for art's sake, or for people? If the latter, is it for a majority or a minority? If the latter, which minority? If it is true that "landscape design can be truly appreciated only through the eye and mind which are trained to see and understand," \* how and by whom is appropriate training provided for our clientele? Is it only the individual private clients who get this training? How about the majority who experience our park designs? Do they require a course of training before they can enjoy them? Or do we reserve the finer concepts for the more understanding private clientele, and design down to the broad masses? And so on — each question begets another. Our work is done for people, to provide settings and surroundings for their life and activities. Therefore all its forms must relate definitely to the forms of people: to their size, their shape, the way they move about and relax, their requirements as to air, sun, shade, the way in which they perceive their surroundings, and so on. This observation may seem simple and elementary to the point of naïvete, until one looks about with open eyes and sees how seldom our environment is really formed to fit the simple and fundamental needs of the people who must live in it. If human life on an individual and dignified scale had been considered of primary importance by the most responsible citizens, our cities would never have become as congested, filthy, and sordid as they are.

Knowledge of such mechanical factors as eye-height, stride-length, and adaptability to sun and shade is not enough. People are not robots or sheep. They are all alike and yet they are all different. That is a remarkable thing when you consider that there are some two billion of them in the world. We must also understand their subjectivity, inconsistency, and contrariness, and the forces that make them greedy, intolerant, confused, mean, belligerent, irresponsible, cynical, or vulgar. We must realize that those qualities in adults are environmental rather than hereditary. We must be scientists as well as artists of the environment. From this will come a firm conviction of the basic decency, dignity, friendliness, and creativity of the vast majority. As we said in 1942, at the beginning of the great production of American war housing, every technician involved in developing environments for people is responsible not just for providing shelter, but also for developing their fundamental potential dignity.

\* *Landscape Architecture Quarterly*, July 1937



*Positive structural space formation, relatively large scale, bordering a wooded site. Curved solid screen gives a sense of enclosure; the "volumes of air space (are) enclosed or organized with tangible physical elements"*

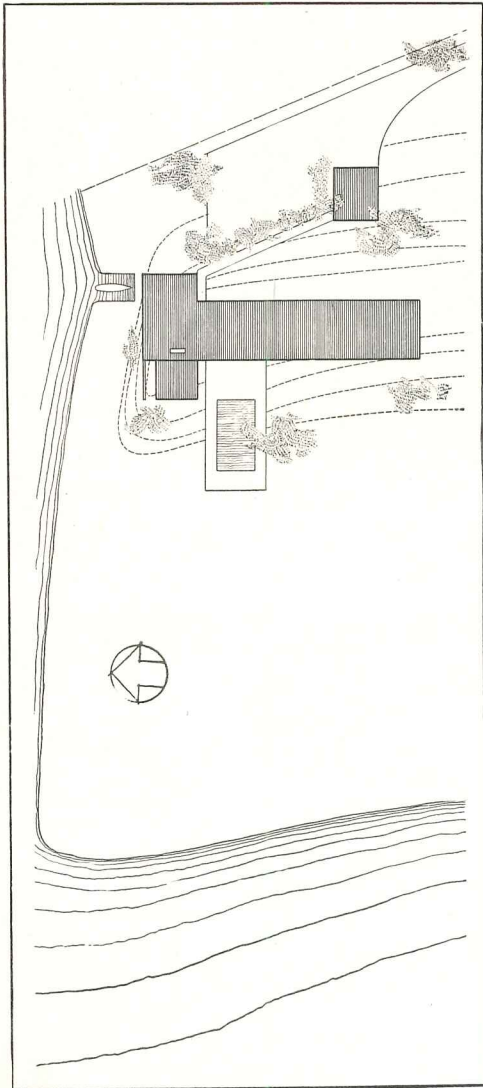
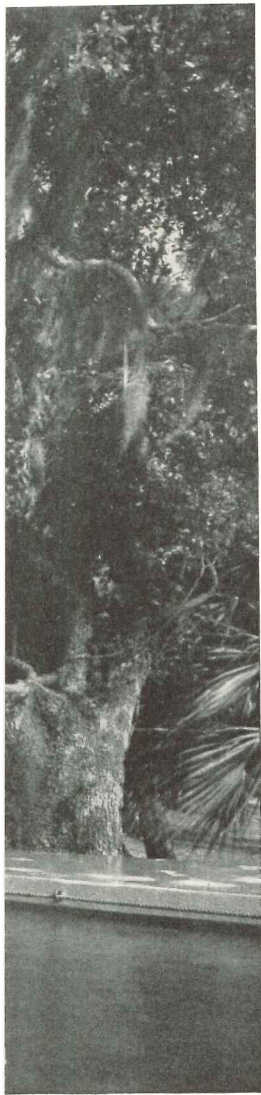
FOR JOYOUS LIVING  
AND FIVE CHILDREN

*Ralph S. Twitchell and Paul M. Rudolph, Architects*



Ezra Stoller Photos





ONE could use all of the familiar words of modern architecture to describe this house, but they all seem too cold. Something like "functional design for living" is too flat a phrase to describe the bubbling joy of five small children in this house, or the cordial family harmony so positively fostered by this plan.

Take for example the site development (at the left). The combination of pool, house and boat landing proclaims a scheme of living in which fun and sports take precedence over formal pretentiousness. And the house settles under the trees comfortably and without self-consciousness.

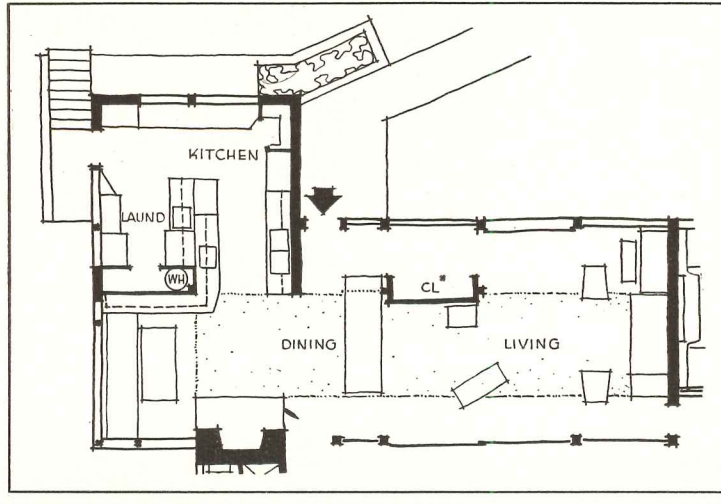
Or take the family living areas shown on the next two pages. This is as thoughtful an arrangement of space as has been seen in many a year. Here again the planning vocabulary is too cold. The kitchen-dining space combination bespeaks not only utility and informality, but a hearty family gathering at mealtime. The living room, though not at all stiff in itself, nevertheless carries a suggestion of more orderly gatherings. One of the architects casually referred to the dining room as the "winter living room," and explained that the more open living room might seem chilly in cold weather, but the subtle differences between the two rooms are not mere matters of climatic temperature. And one ventures the opinion that as the children grow older these temperamental aspects of the two rooms will be more and more appreciated. Also, when the parents tire of the record-player they may either banish the children to the lanai, or retire themselves to the quiet of the study, which is just behind the dining room fireplace.

The lanai (photo, page 80; plan, page 81) is an open, screened, widened bedroom corridor which is really a children's activity pavilion with scope for indoor rolling stock. There is, incidentally, a true children's garage on the lower level just under the kitchen, the real parking place for outdoor rolling stock (it may be seen in the photo on the front cover).

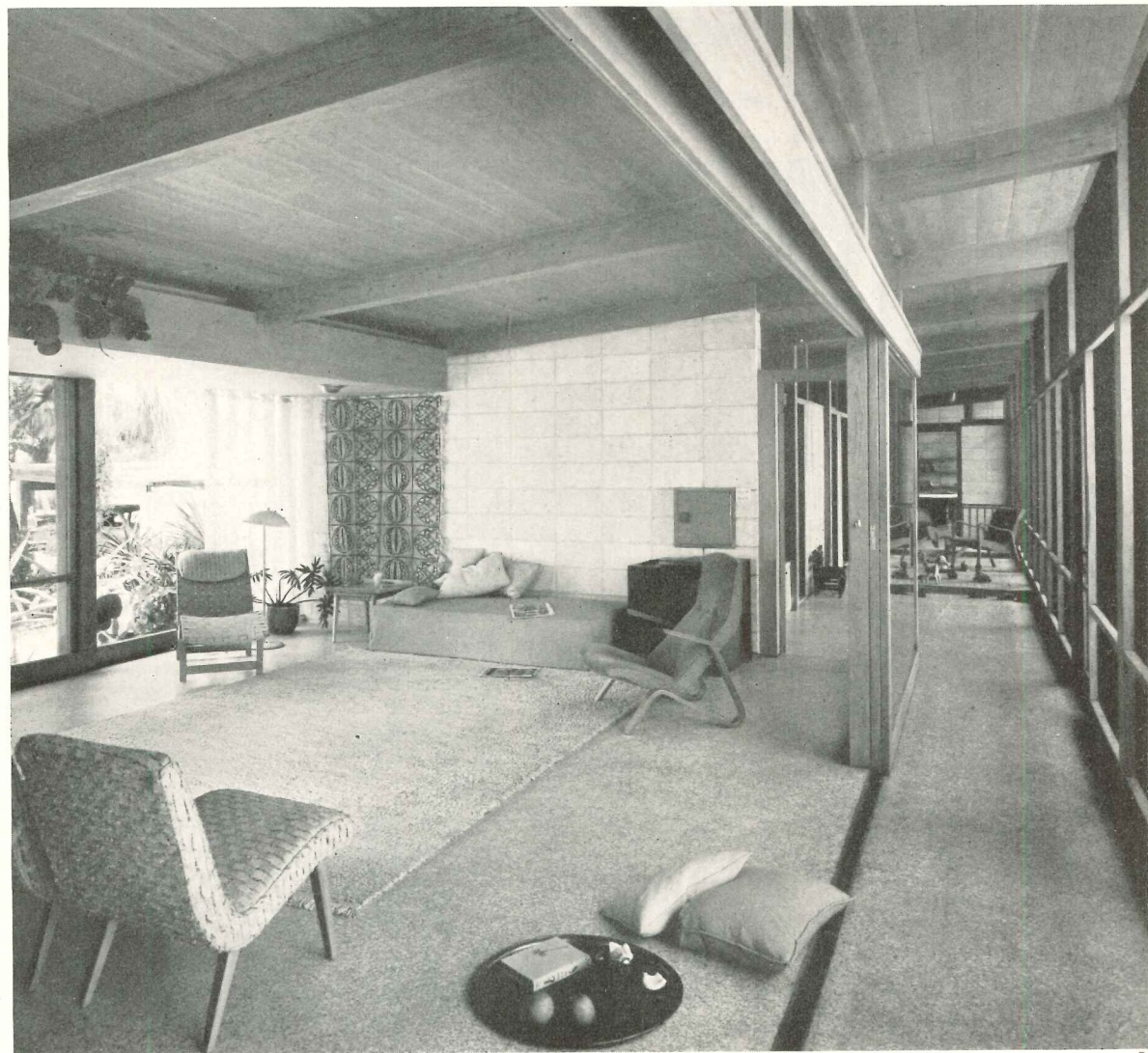
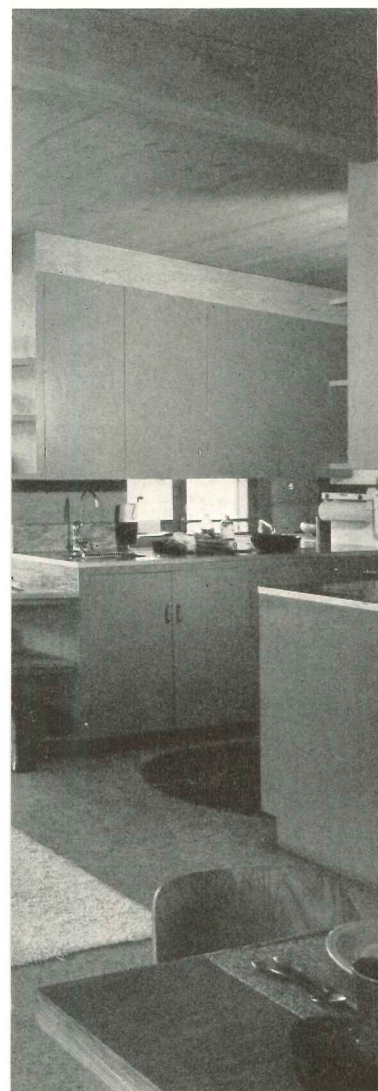
As an example of architectural design the house is quite deserving of all of the words, too — it uses materials appropriately, it has an interesting structural system, it is free and honest and expressive. But surely all these things pale beside the success of the house as a parti for family life. This is no "machine for living"; it is functional architecture, but you must drive the word pretty hard to make "functional" mean as much as it does here.

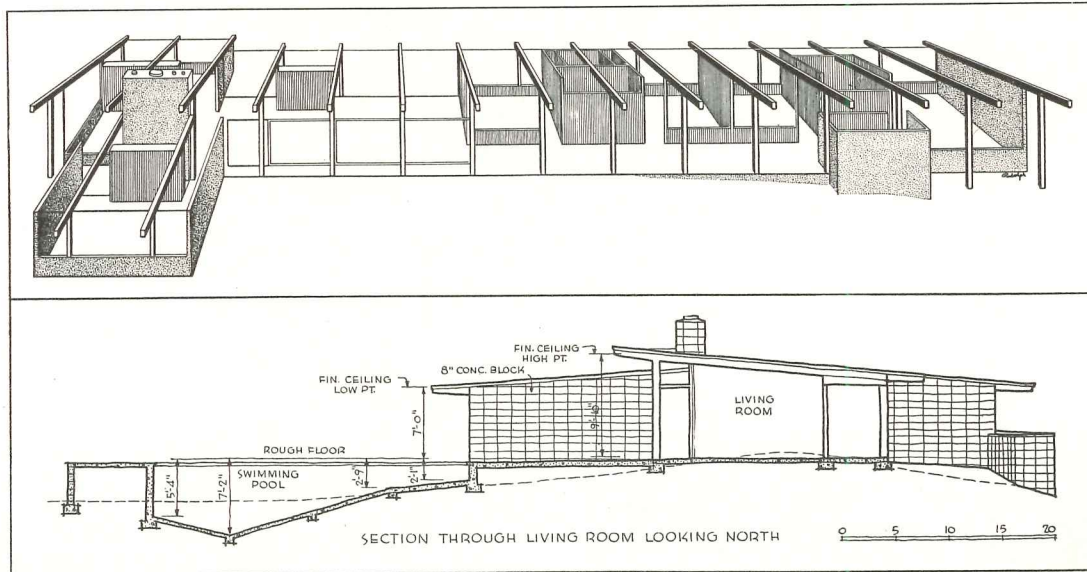
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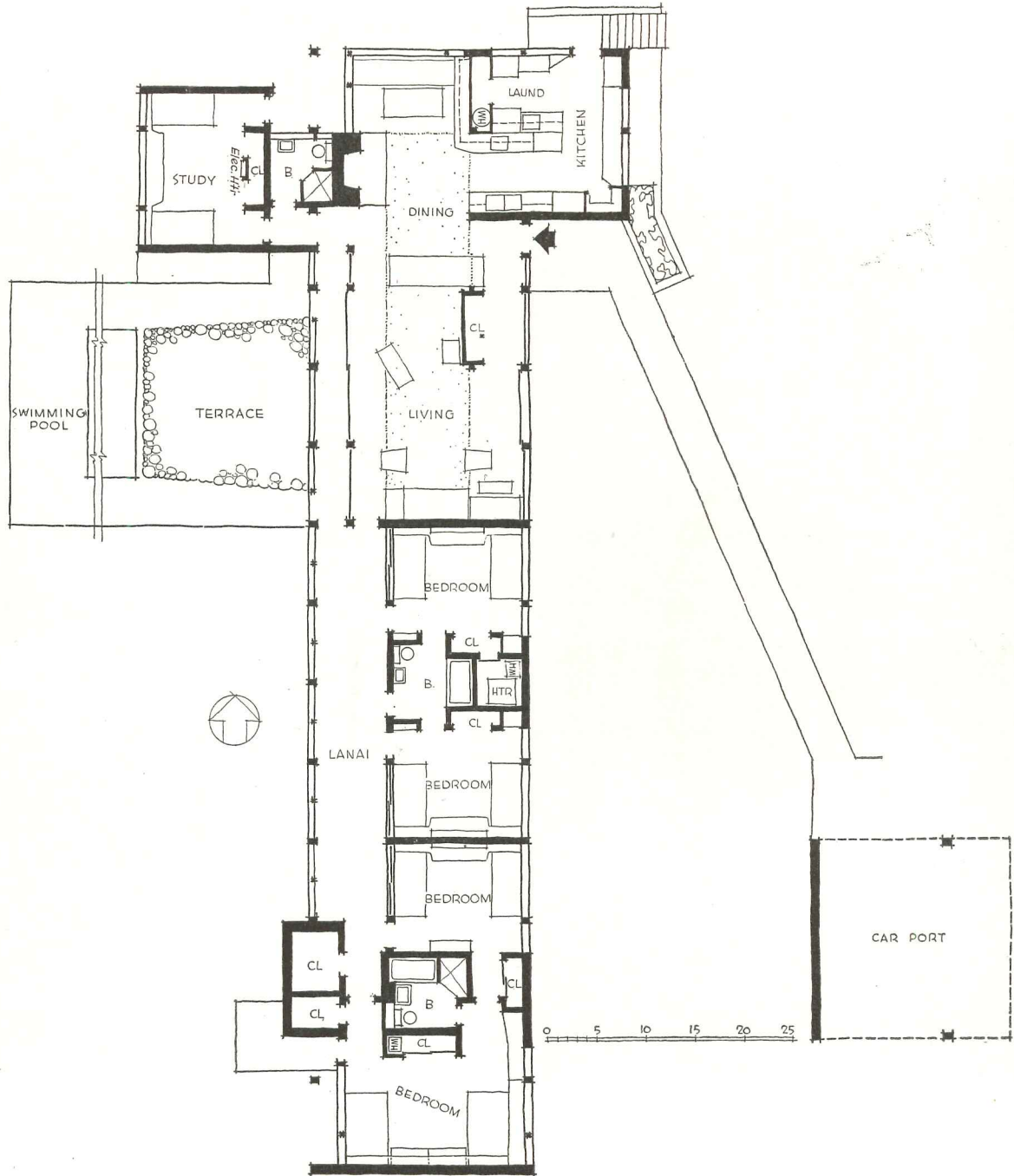
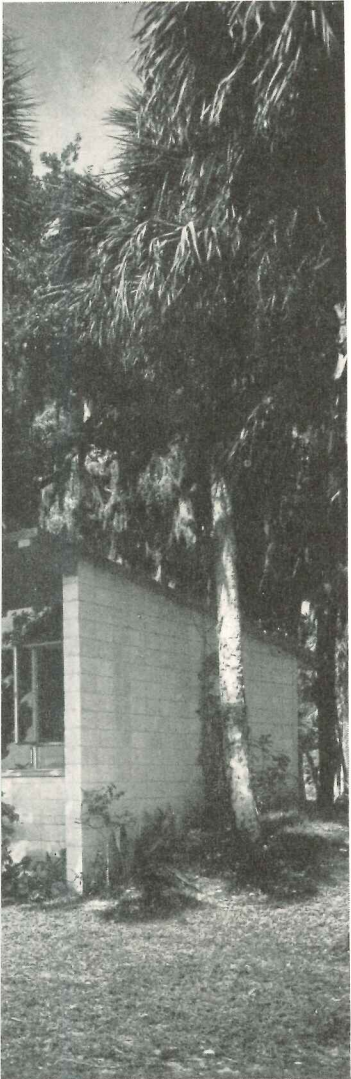
*The laundry and kitchen combination is quite good, but its success in efficiency is nothing to the success of the dining room as an invitation at mealtime. Here a father and five children have room, and welcome, for a gathering before, during and after meals, where mother may win help as well as friends. After meals the activity can flow easily into the living room, or beyond to the lanai, or it can burst right on outdoors. The wall (extreme right in the photo strip) is merely screening; living room and bedrooms can be closed against chilly weather with sliding glass doors*

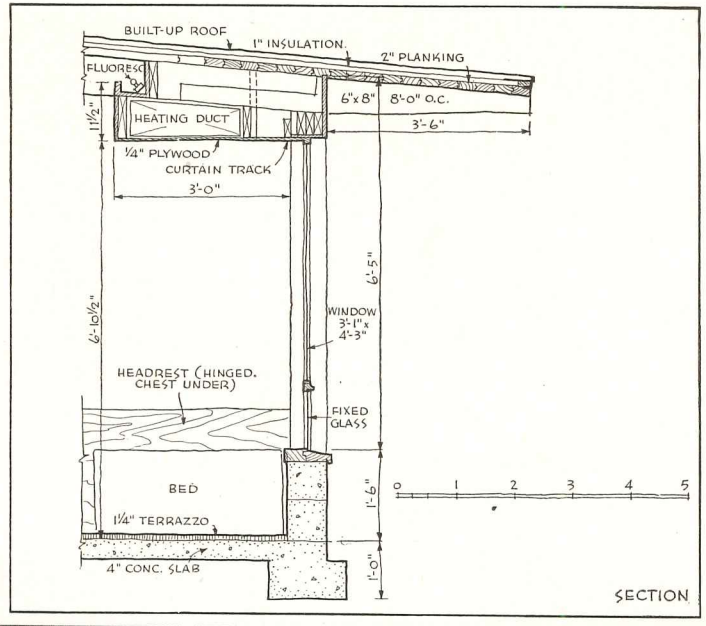




Structural system (upper drawing) is essentially mill construction with 6 by 8 posts and beams, and 2-in. planking roof covered with 1 in. insulation and built-up roofing. Interior columns, also 6 by 8's, run in the line of the bedroom walls; at the living room the system changes to 4 by 6 posts at the glass wall, with other interior posts at the closet. Though the site is an old Indian mound (see section) the land is low and ground water level high; thus house and pool were set at highest point. Not shown on the plan is a play yard for small children under the kitchen window, near boat landing. Under the kitchen at this point is a true garage, not for family cars, but for children's rolling stock. East wall of house is mostly glass, west wall is just insect screening. Masonry walls are all exposed concrete block

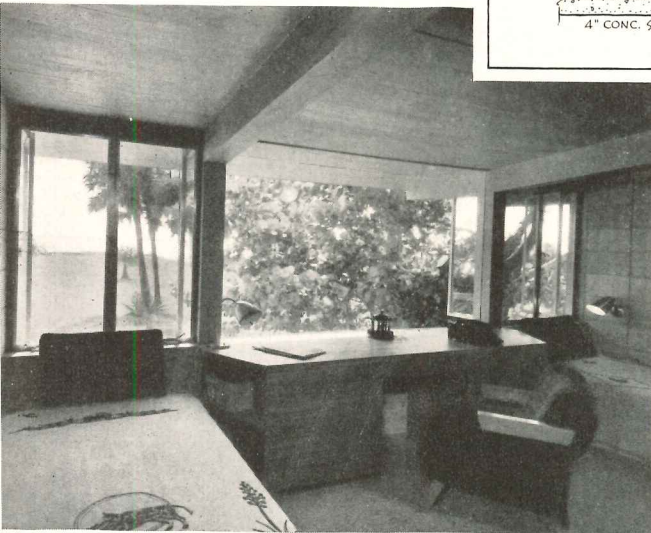
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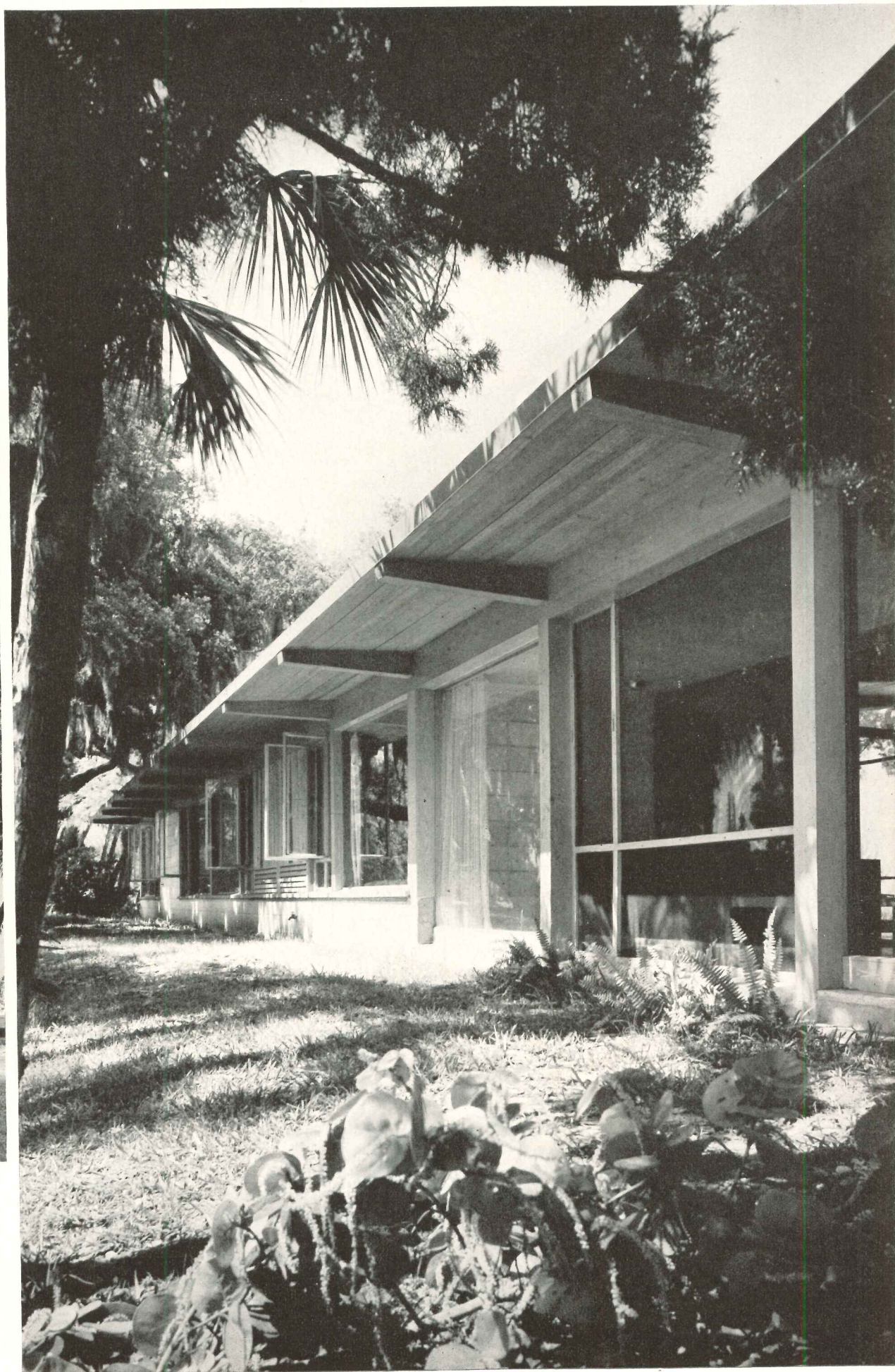
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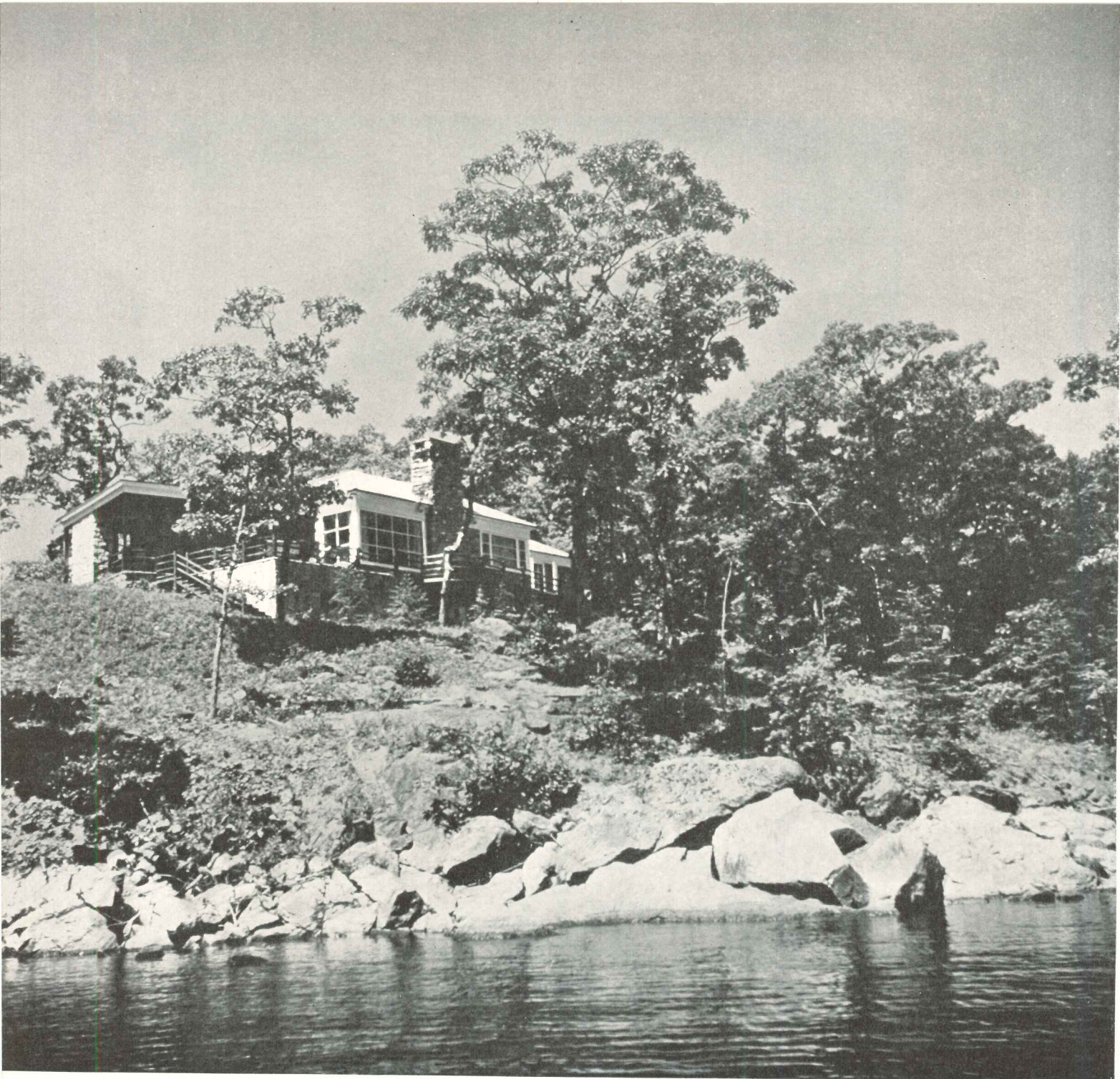
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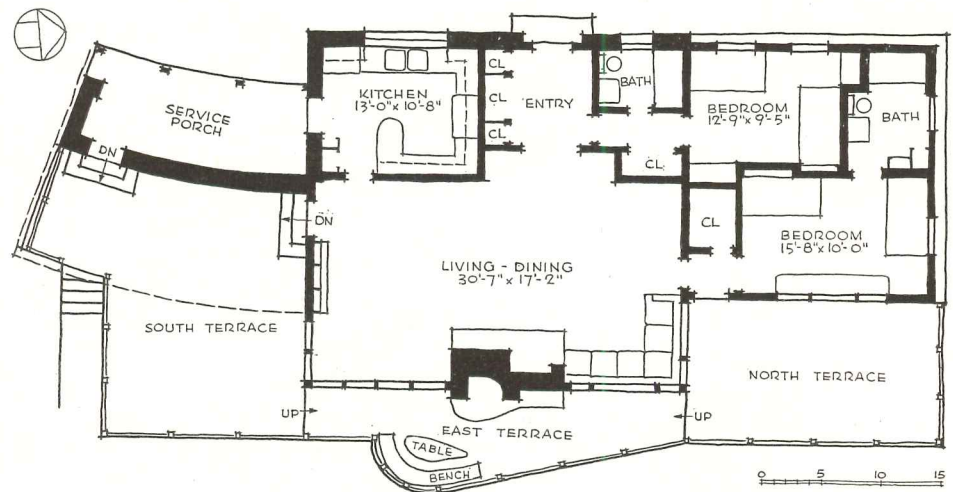
Heating is by forced warm air (see section above) with ducts in an enclosure at the ceiling which is also used for fluorescent lighting cove. Section is at study wall; note in section and in photo just below it the hinged headrest for beds, with chest for covers under headrest. Photo below, left, shows one of children's bedrooms; each child has built-in desk beside his bed. Center view shows east side of house, carport in foreground. Photo on opposite page shows same side, as seen from front entrance







Geoffrey Baker Photos



# DESIGNED FOR VACATIONS

Hunting Lodge and Summer Cottage for Mrs. William P. Palmer, Jr.

Blue Hill, Maine

*Louis Gelders, Architect*

*Rosemary Dudley, Inc., Decorator*

**A**LTHOUGH intended primarily for vacation use, this Maine hunting lodge and summer home is a far cry from the casual rustic cabin of former years. Sturdily built, fully insulated and heated, it could serve equally well as a year-round residence. Rocky terrain, a magnificent view, a cool climate and the owner's requirement of ample provision for outdoor living were the chief factors influencing its design.

The site, as the photograph on the opposite page shows, is rocky and drops sharply to the water. The view is a wide one (see next page) across Blue Hill Bay to Mt. Desert. To blend in with the former, the house

was given an exterior of native granite veneer of selected pink and beige, white pine flush siding stained a warm rose, white trim and a red cedar shingle roof. To take advantage of the latter and to fulfill the owner's outdoor living requirement, orientation toward the east was chosen, and three separate but connected terraces were ranged along the entire east side. The cool Maine climate dictated a sheltered south terrace and a plan which would make full use of the summer sun. In accordance with the owner's request, the combination living and dining room was made unusually spacious and the two bedrooms were held to an absolute minimum.

*Although the house turns its back to the land (opposite page), its main entrance (right) is perforce on the land side. An unusually large service porch not only gives direct access to kitchen but also links road with south terrace and shore*





Geoffrey Baker Photos

The huge living-dining room (right and across-page) has built-in book shelves and storage cabinets and windows on three sides as well as direct access to both north and south terraces. Each of the two bedrooms has its own bath, and closet space is unusually generous for a summer home.

Since the house is used in spring and fall as well as in summer, it is insulated with rock wool and has a forced warm air heating system. Floors throughout are cork tile; walls are plywood; ceilings, plaster. Terrace flagging is stone. The kitchen is all-electric.



**Opposite**

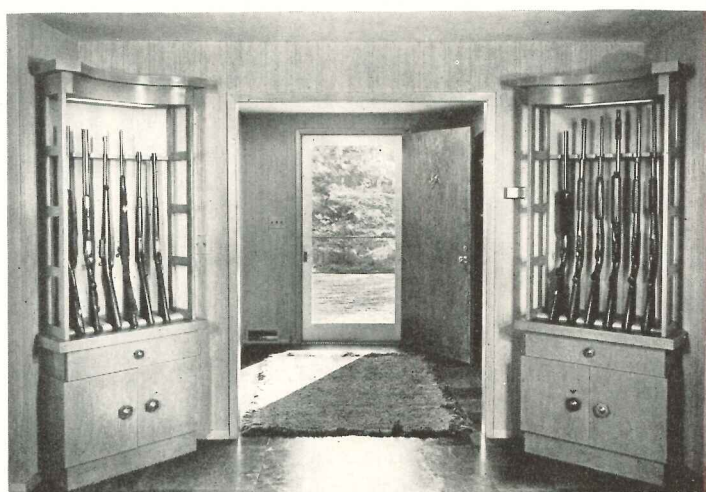
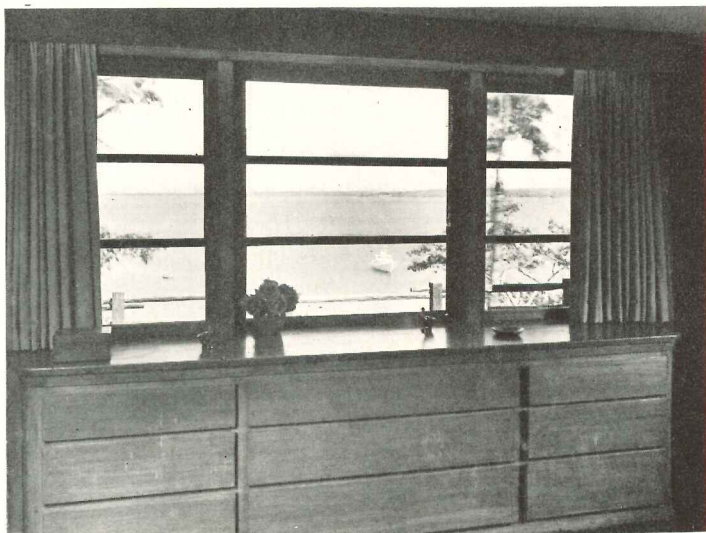
The large south terrace is well sheltered and offers direct access to the water

**Right, above**

The master bedroom faces the morning sun and has a superb view across Blue Hill Bay

**Right, below**

As befits a hunting lodge, build-in gun cabinets flank the archway between entry hall and living room





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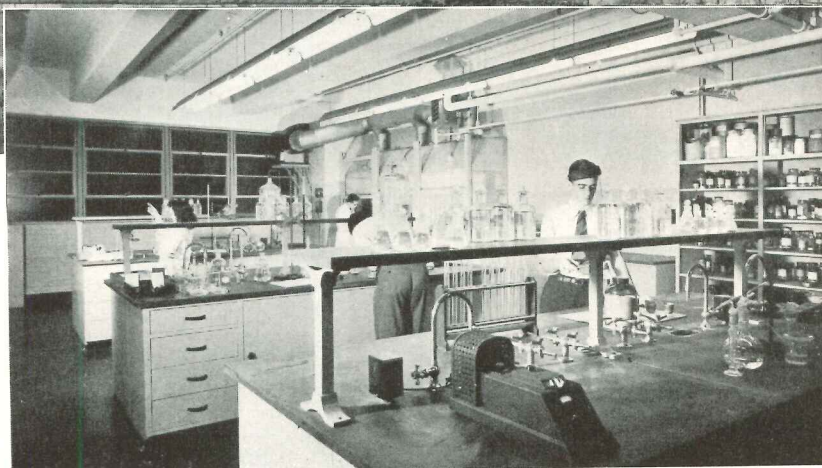
# PLANNED FOR RESEARCH

Laboratories and Offices, National Research Corp., Cambridge, Mass.

*Perry, Shaw and Hepburn, Architects*



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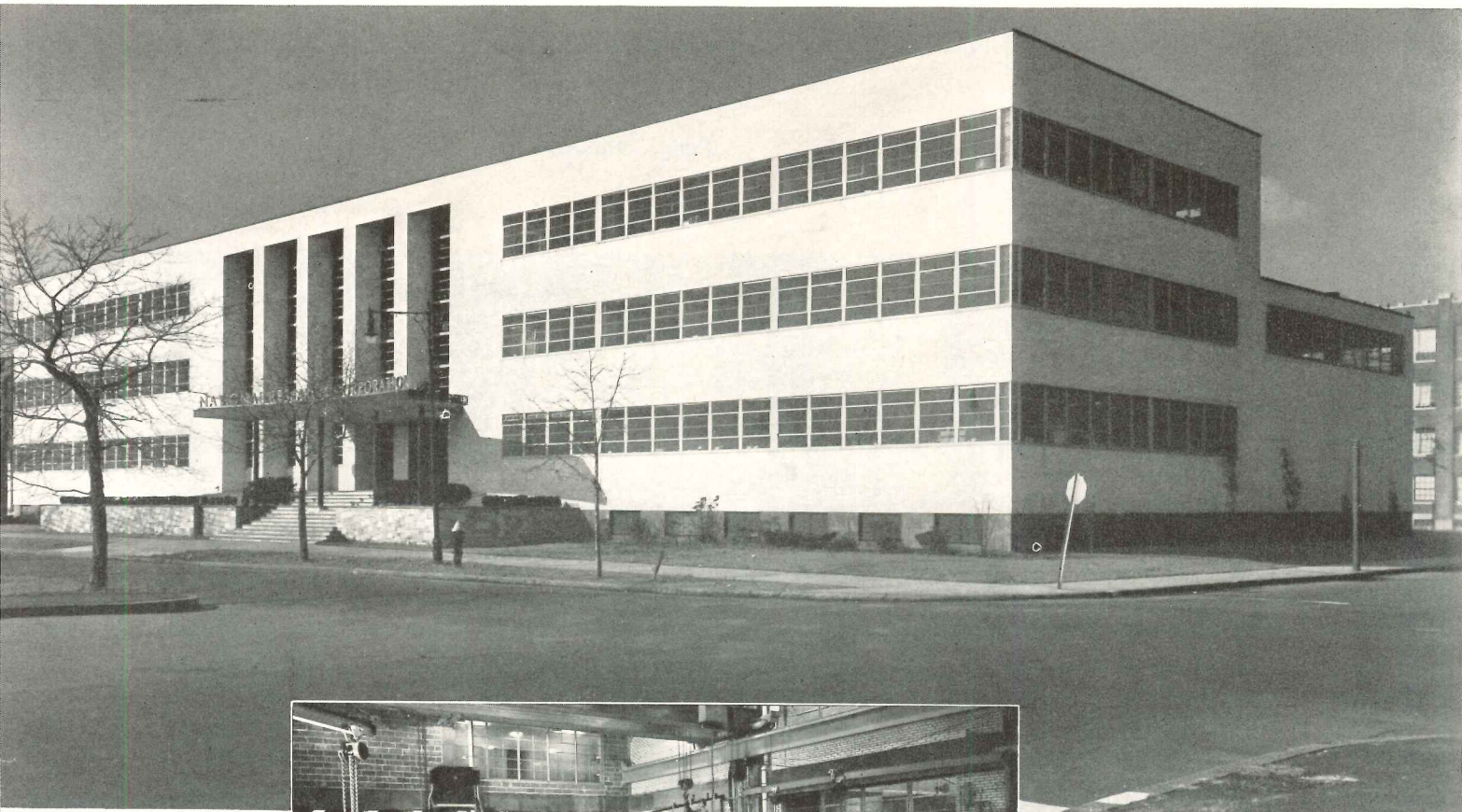


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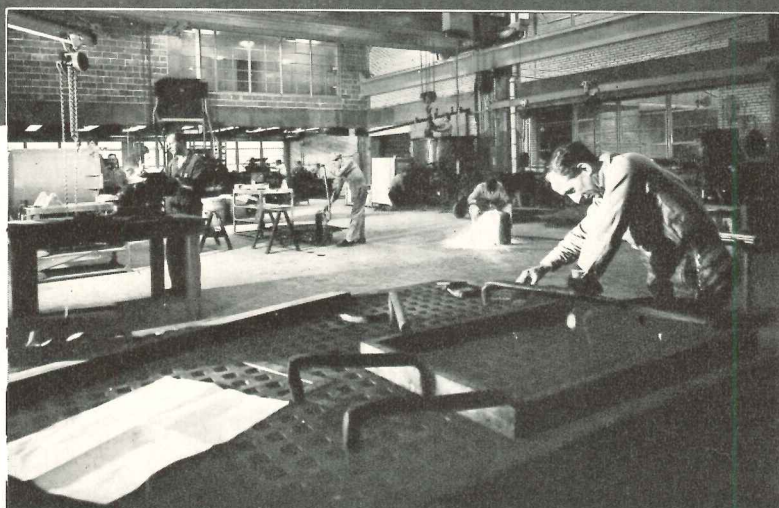
*Analytical section of Chemistry Laboratory*

**A** BUILDING designed specifically for industrial research can be expected to reflect certain intrinsically complex functional requirements. This laboratory building for the National Research Corporation, however, reflects certain other requirements as well.

The site of the building, in the first place, on Memorial Drive be-



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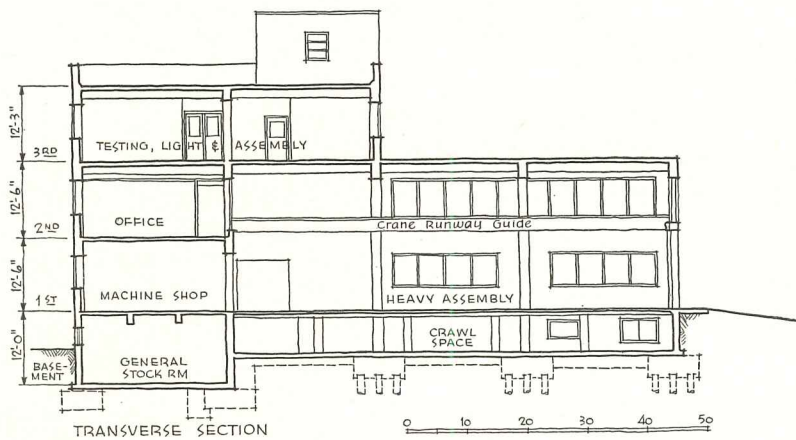
*Welding and heavy assembly*



*Machine shop*

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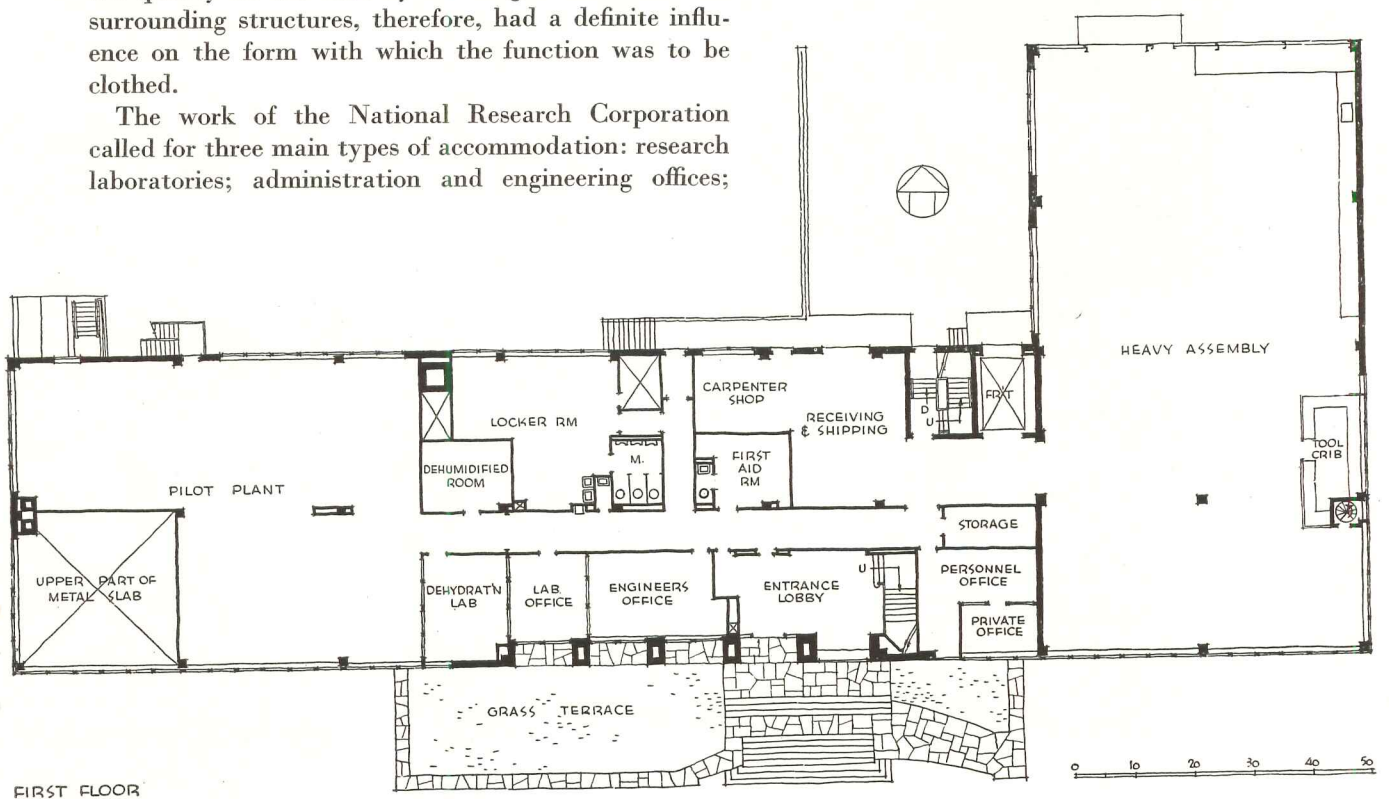


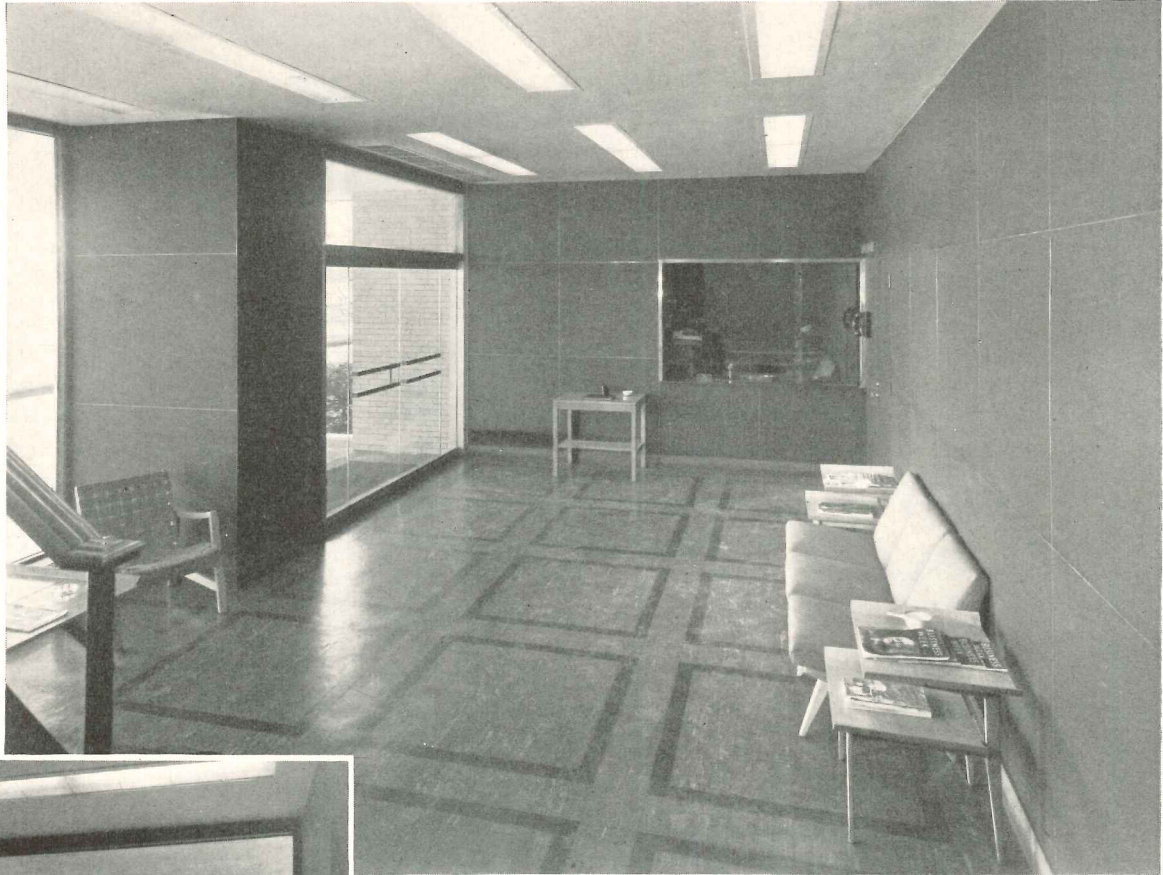


Framing of the building is steel, with exterior walls of brick. Offices in central portion are marked on front facade by broad pylons (opposite page). Building is planned for future expansion into a hollow square, completely enclosing the present lot

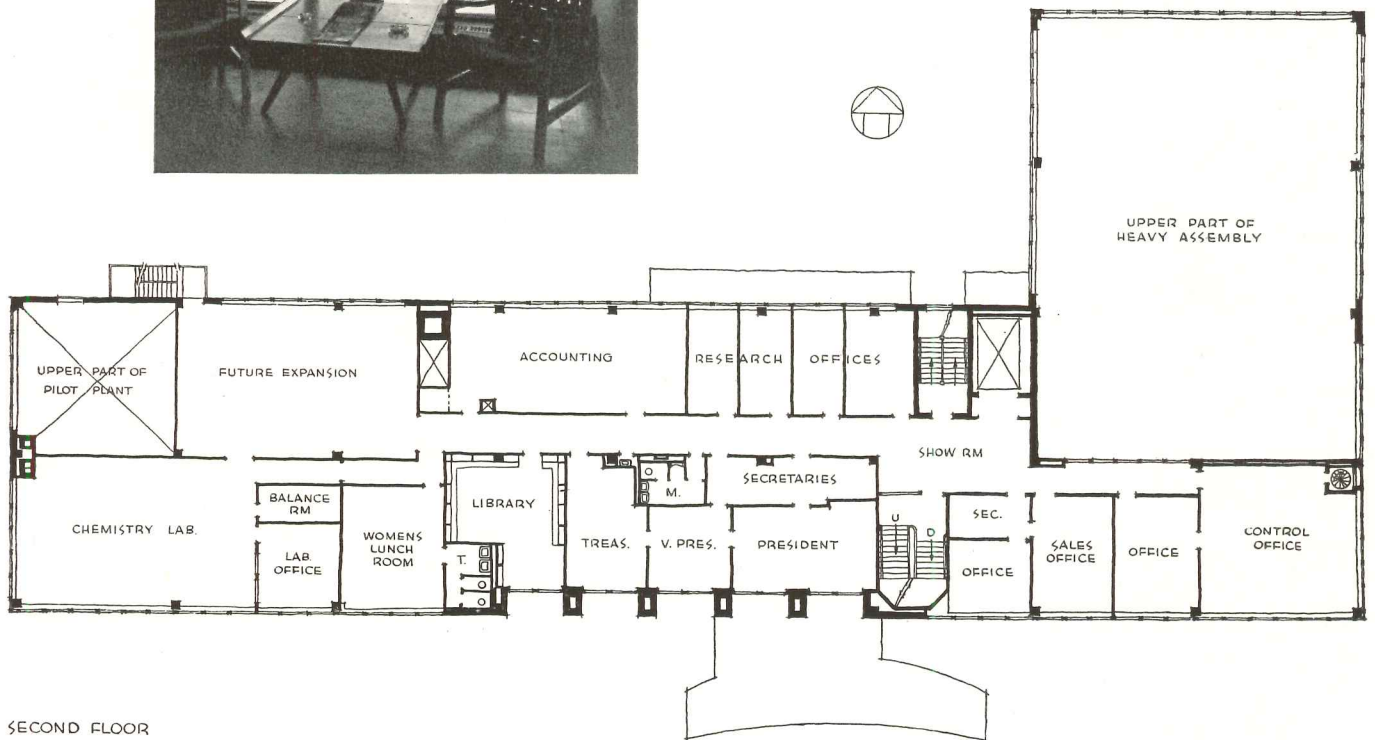
tween Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the Lever Brothers offices, was selected, the architects explain, because that portion of the Drive is known "as Research Row, on which is located one of the largest concentrations of research laboratories in the world." The appearance of the building, furthermore, was planned — again in the architects' words — so that it "would add prestige to the company and live up to the quality of the near-by buildings." Location and surrounding structures, therefore, had a definite influence on the form with which the function was to be clothed.

The work of the National Research Corporation called for three main types of accommodation: research laboratories; administration and engineering offices;





Lobby above, left and opposite is spacious and centrally placed; walls are linoleum-covered; lighting is fluorescent. Stairs lead directly to main offices on second and third floors



SECOND FLOOR



pilot plant and assembly manufacturing. Each of these specific but interdependent functions was allocated a separate portion of the building. Research laboratories, starting with heat treatment and metal furnaces in the basement and progressing upward through physics and chemistry laboratories, occupy the west wing. Accommodations for personnel executives, executive and designing engineers' offices, library, drafting and accounting departments are provided in the center. The heavy assembly plant and machine shop combined take up the first two floors of the east wing, topped off by the supervisors' offices and the light assembly area on the third floor.

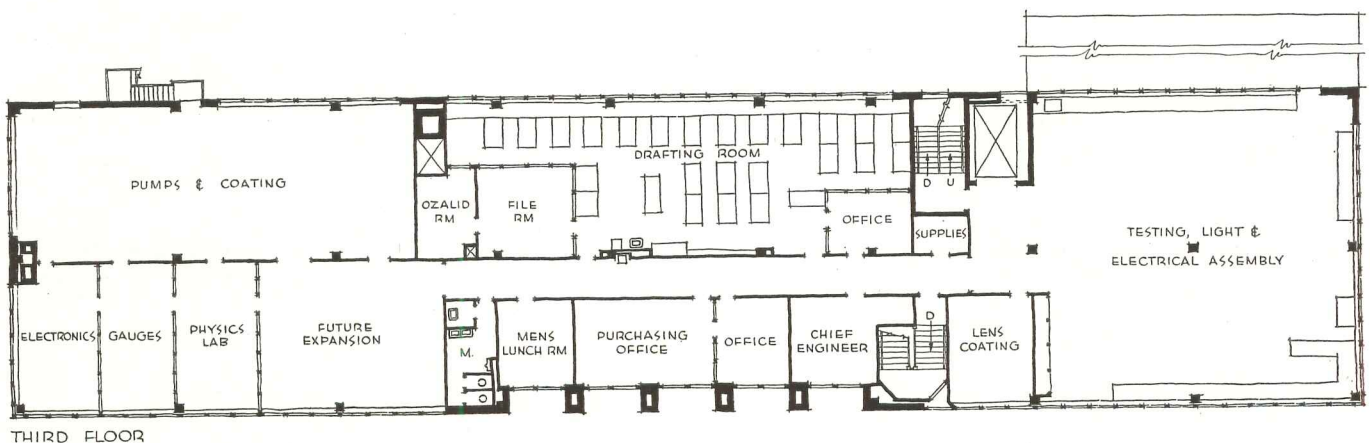
*Beacon Piping Co., Heating and Process Piping*

*P. J. Riley & Co., Plumbing*

*Lord Electric Co., Inc., Electric Work*

*Jackson & Moreland,  
Structural and Mechanical Engineers*

*Thomas O'Connor Co., Builders*



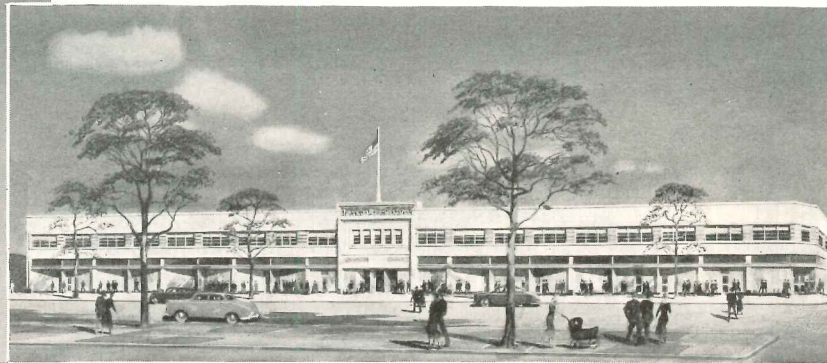
THIRD FLOOR

# SMALL BUSINESS BUILDINGS

Frederic Arden Pawley, Architect

The RECORD has published annually many studies of tall office buildings.\* This year we decided to examine smaller types of more general interest to architectural offices located outside major metropolitan areas. Potential volume of new buildings for the country as a whole will be greater in this class of structure in the multi-story class. Six stories, through an arbitrary limit, seem appropriate and the range downward includes the one-story taxpayer.

OCCUPANCY types vary enormously in general-purpose buildings. There are few design and planning factors common to them all. The appended bibliography shows an extensive literature on office-planning space standards which will be reviewed briefly herein. Perhaps this intrinsic variety suggests a primary design principle — flexibility is mandatory. Ground floor space will usually house retail, showroom or other occupancies requiring easy public access. Rear areas may possibly provide public commercial recreation or entertainment facilities. Each of these is regularly treated as a sub-



Left, Remington-Rand Bldg., Philadelphia; Thalheimer & Weitz, Archts.; C. V. D. Hubbard photo. Above, American Home Bldg., Queens, N. Y. (S. Minskoff, owner-builder), Boak & Raad, Archts. Facing page, Technical Instrument Co., Houston, Tex.; Mackie & Kamrath, Archts.; Mears Studio photo. Interiors, top to bottom: office, Remington-Rand, Dallas, Tex., G. L. Dahl, Archt.; own drafting room, Page, Southerland & Page, Archts., Austin, Tex.; board room, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane, Orlando, Fla., James Gamble Rogers III, Archt.



(\*See Bibliography references: 44-51)

ject for a Building Types Study in itself. Consequently, in this article, emphasis will be on the building as a whole.

The architect must coordinate, in a commercial building project, many correlative and often divergent points of view. To sell his own services he must be acquainted with preliminary and operating procedures. To this end we have consulted experienced real estate men, lenders of construction and permanent funds, building managers, maintenance experts and corporations who are tenants with national experience in leas-

ing office space. They have generously contributed data for the following pages.

It is equally important for these factors in the building industry to understand the architect's point of view and to recognize the financial as well as esthetic benefits of his function of comprehensive coordination. The essential fact is that commercial buildings are not well designed unless they are continuously profitable.

This ideal result, a continuously profitable building, is a complex product of intelligence applied to the following problems:

PROBLEMS:

location  
climate  
orientation  
local conditions  
& regulations  
site selection  
parking  
plot size & shape  
height  
structure

rentable areas

(including shapes)  
flexibility  
services & equipment  
fenestration  
materials & workmanship  
types of occupancy  
construction costs  
management, personnel  
& operating costs  
financing

STUDIED  
BY

ARCHITECT PLUS

owner  
financier  
realtor  
consultants  
contractors & labor  
code officials  
insurance organizations  
tenants  
operating staff

A successful commercial building project, perhaps more than any other building type, implies the solution of a giant equation including all the above-tabulated known, unknown and variable factors. Accurate resolution of all these contributory forces into a structure meeting the needs of its population, owners and

community — including esthetic needs — is the especial function of the architect. To perform this function properly he must be retained at the beginning of the project and to be of most use at this stage he must know a few fundamentals of real estate, finance and insurance practice.

## SMALL BUSINESS BUILDINGS

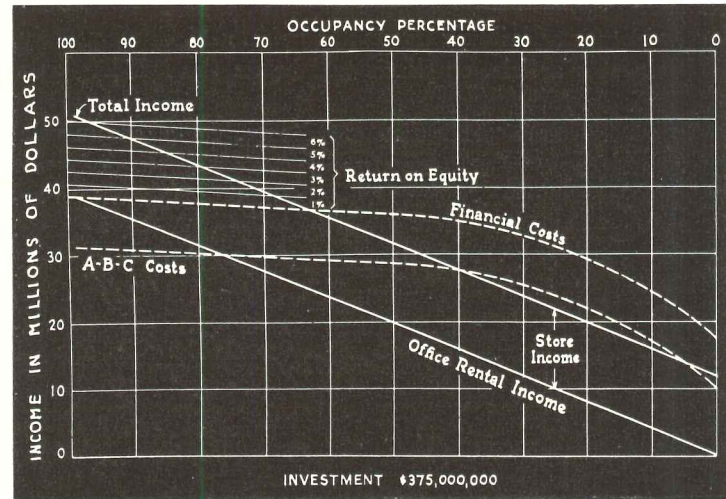
### *Finance and Real Estate Viewpoint*

Rental return or income from a proposed building, usually measured in dollars per square foot of rental space, is naturally a primary concern of lenders and real estate managers. Type, area and cube of building are studied by them in preliminary financial set-ups devised to show a profit above an adequate income to defray costs of financing, construction, taxes, depreciation and operation and to arrive at a reasonable rent per square foot. Decision on whether a project goes ahead must be based on such "adequacy of improvement."

Preservation of income in bad times is more difficult in some types of buildings than in others. Experience has shown need for flexibility of space arrangement (and for ease of re-subdivision, particularly into smaller units) to provide for changes in tenancy. Low operation and maintenance costs are essential. It is second nature (or perhaps first) for a building manager to consider "eventual tenants" more than original or current occupants. This influences managerial attitudes toward tenant alteration practices, approvals and expenditures, even in the cases where alterations are paid for by the tenant.

Kind of occupancy for specific buildings affects lenders' viewpoint. Even a 20 to 25 ft retail frontage can secure an adequate institutional loan provided the tenant can develop the required income from the property. It would be impossible space for a variety chain store but quite acceptable for a specialty shop with concentrated selling of high-margin-of-profit goods. A 50 ft six-story building may be an unsound investment in bad times. Major tenants may move out leaving larger spaces which are expensive to alter for small tenants. Rents will be lower due to competition, particularly those paid by such smaller tenants because they can move easily. Increased partitioning reduces rentable area (additional non-revenue corridor, etc., required). Operating costs increase with number of tenants and even if parts of building are closed off there may be spotty tenancy requiring uneconomic service for partly vacant areas. Under depressed conditions managers often cannot afford to maintain premises as well as in normal times; and a building which, because of poor plan, materials or equipment, is difficult (i.e. expensive) to maintain, will be neglected. Rents obtainable from a shabby building are depressed and the situation becomes a pernicious downward spiral of blight.

Multi-occupancy is by some authorities considered not as desirable as larger unit leases. Professional offices, doctors, dentists, etc., although traffic producers

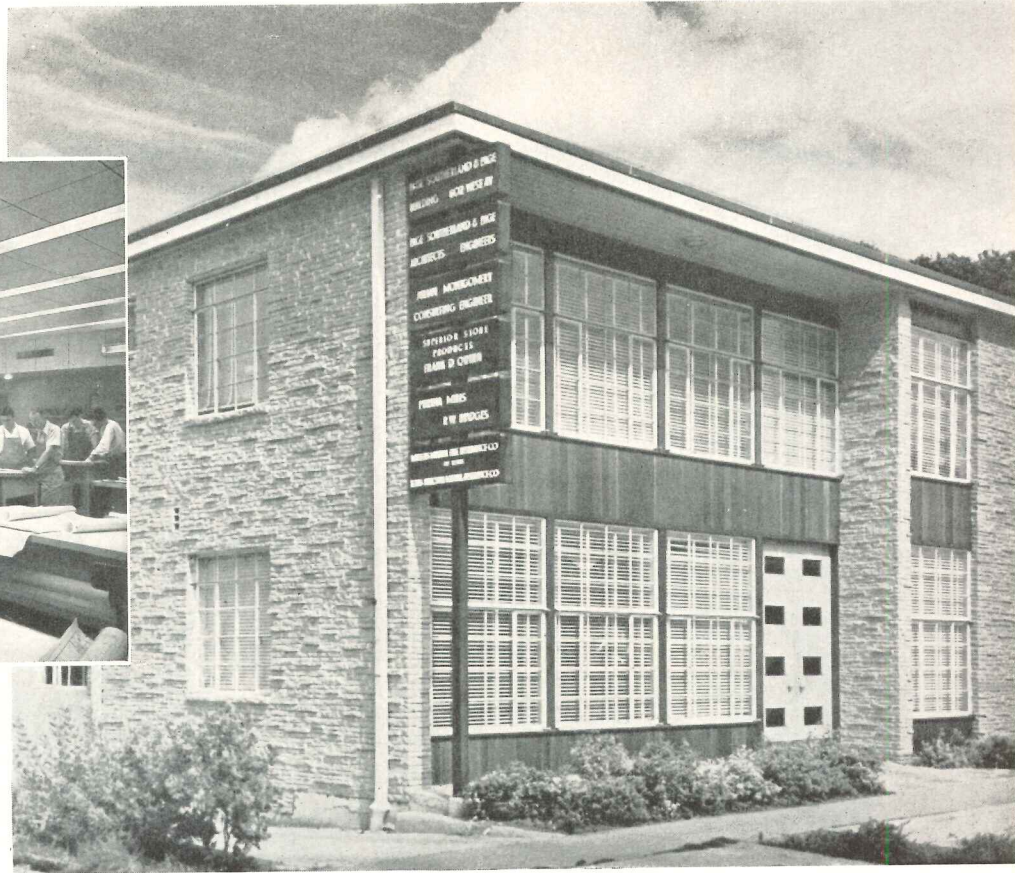
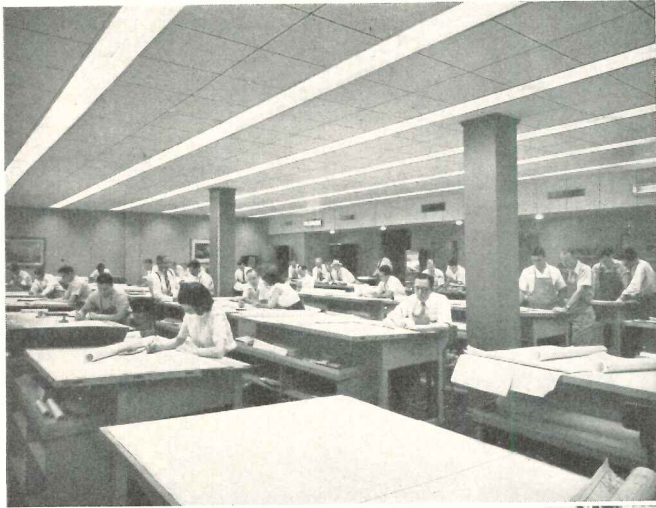


This graph illustrates how quickly most buildings would begin to lose money at present rental rates were their occupancy to drop sharply. It was prepared by the National Association of Building Owners and Managers (11), and is based upon a spotcheck survey of rental incomes and operating expenses for more than 100 buildings at the end of the year 1947. Net income disappears at about 65% occupancy, and is only about 5% at 90% occupancy. "A-B-C costs" are three categories of operating and fixed costs periodically reported to the N. A. B. O. M. by members throughout the country

profitable for some locations, create special problems such as increased operating expenses and maintenance (special utilities) and baby-carriage parking!

On the other hand, a New York City savings bank president, whose mortgage department made more loans in August 1949 than any other lender reported for that month, points out that higher rents can be obtained from small offices. They may be priced on a unit basis rather than on the square-foot basis used for larger space. As an example he compared one floor bringing \$10,000, rented as a whole, with another floor of same area in same building which brought \$14,000, rented as many small offices.

The architect may be in the position of establishing floor development plans for buildings before rental and he must balance such differing viewpoints against local demand.



Left: Deep space—controlled conditions: air, light, sound, for efficient operation. George L. Dahl, Architects & Engineers, Dallas, Texas  
 Right: Multi-occupancy: Architects, consulting engineers, manufacturers' sales offices, insurance agency. Page, Southerland & Page, Architects & Engineers, Austin, Texas.  
 Photo: Studtman Photo Service

The usability of upper-floor rental space for a variety of occupancies is often a matter of depth of space from window walls to corridors. Some tenants, such as insurance offices or others with large clerical, filing and storage requirements, may need deep space. Lathrop Douglas, A.I.A., has pointed out in an excellent article (45) a number of office-planning fallacies and showed the actual economies of furnishing air conditioning, superior lighting, acoustic treatment, etc., to provide Class A space anywhere in a building. The old rule of no space deeper than 27 ft from a window wall and the real estate aphorism that "people want to buy windows" is less true from a technological viewpoint in such conditioned space. It still holds from a psychological viewpoint, however, especially where large-area leases are not concerned. This will be referred to again under planning.

There are other amenities which increase the desirability of a building for tenants and which will act to preserve income in competitive periods. Adequate nearby parking facilities are extremely important. A decentralized location, if appropriate for proposed occupancy, may bring other attractive advantages of light, air, space, landscaping and less expensive land.

Certain tenants will welcome provision of facilities for joint use: conference rooms, telephone answering service and low-cost storage areas in basement. The latter recommendation is based on current policies of record retention. There is no reason why a tenant should pay premium rents for inactive file and storage space and in competitive times the smaller tenant cannot afford to do so.

An attractive, convenient entrance, lobby and public spaces will also help to hold tenants. Tortuous access

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### *Finance and Real Estate Viewpoint*

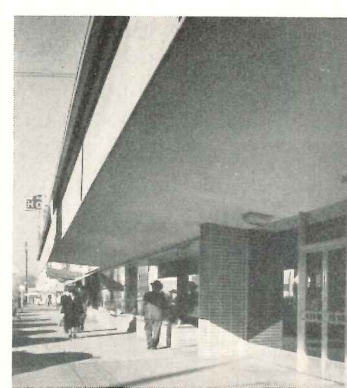


#### ***Decentralized offices***

*Thornhill-Craver Co., Houston, Texas, Mackie & Kamrath, Architects. Photo: Mears Studio*

#### ***Lobbies and public spaces***

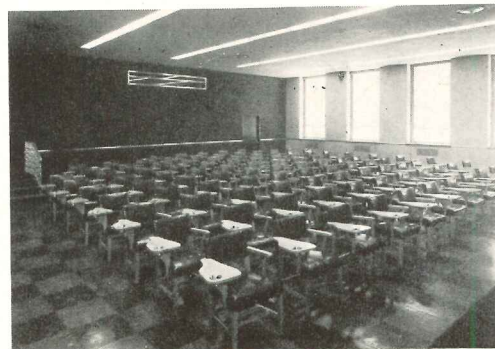
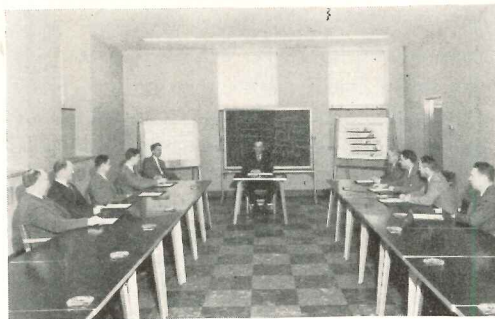
*Left: Citizens' National Trust & Savings Bank, Los Angeles, Stiles Clements Associates, Architects. Photo: Shulman. Right: Costello Bldg., Los Angeles, McFarland & Bonsall, Architects. Photo: Knowles*





### Conference rooms

Top photo: Own offices. Page, Southerland & Page, Architects. Photo: Studtman Photo Service  
Lower two photos: Esso Headquarters, Richmond, Va. Carneal & Johnston, Architects. Photo: Dements' Studio



to offices makes a poor impression and often indicates wasteful use of space. The ratio of rentable area to total building area possible to develop on the plot, particularly on high-cost land, must be watched in planning a building for profit. If a building develops vacancies when exit, elevator and service area is excessive this factor alone may alter financial relationships sufficiently to cause distress.

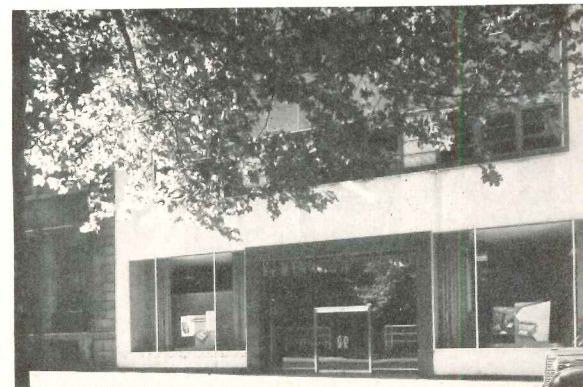
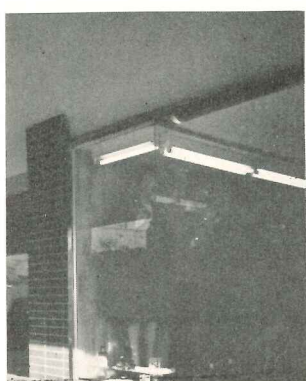
Some operative builders and experienced building owners develop tenants and secure commitments from them before breaking ground for a new building. Lenders naturally prefer this situation; money is more easily available if at least one strong tenant is signed up. Favorable terms of financing will depend largely on the location of the project in relation to the business district and the demand for its proposed occupancy. No hesitation is usually found on loans for projects in a 100% business district since resale is rarely difficult. One insurance company making "building and permanent" loans currently quotes 3½% to 4% interest on one or two-story buildings in 100% districts with short term leases. In an 80% district the interest rate would be 4¼% to 4½% and longer term leases would be required (10 to 20 years maximum, permitting determination of and adjustment to district trends). To these rates must be added amortization of 1% to 3% per year. A popular method is the constant payment plan whereby the proportions of payments on principal and interest vary as the principal is reduced.

### Determination of rental rates

In office building financial analyses a vacancy allowance is now normally set at 10%. A postwar article on Philadelphia conditions (11) pointed out that that city had had an average vacancy of 18% for 25 years previous to the war. Averaging this with 5 years of 100% occupancy the author recommended use of a 15% allowance. Actual 1949 Manhattan vacancy is about 2%. These figures are given to show that local conditions must govern such estimating allowances.

### Entrance establishes character

Left: Sill Bldg., Bakersfield, Calif., Kump & Falk, Architects. Photo: Roger Sturtevant. Center: Costello Bldg., Los Angeles, McFarland & Bonsall, Architects. Photo: Ralph E. Knowles. Right: Remington-Rand Bldg., Phila., Thalheimer & Weitz, Architects. Photo: Hubbard



## SMALL BUSINESS BUILDINGS

### *Finance and Real Estate Viewpoint*

Sixty per cent is the normal operating ratio for tall office buildings (based on total rental areas — operating ratios based on rentable office areas were 75% for 1947 and 72.7% for 1948) (7). This means that 60% of total income is normally required for operating expenses. Sixty per cent of operating expenses is required for labor, not including management, with little hope of reduction. It is concluded, therefore, that any substantial improvements in operating ratio must come through increases in rental rates.

An editorial by Charles A. McCaleb of *Buildings & Building Management* (15) says in part: "Devised originally as a measuring stick to aid building operators in comparing operating costs, the square-foot unit soon found its way into renting, when renting men discovered that it provided a quick and easy means of obscuring physical differences between good offices and bad in comparing competitive offerings."

The Sheridan-Karkow rental rate formula (explained on page 102) is derived by reference to a standard unit office 18 x 25 ft (deep) facing street frontage of building on the 8th floor. Since its formulation a number of refinements have been proposed. These are reviewed by B. L. Lefler (17) who points out that there are difficulties in applying such criteria rigidly because space variables are not fixed. Technological changes with increased use of air conditioning and better lighting have improved deep space. Tenants with more than 5000 sf may need considerable deep space. The variety of tenant installations makes great differences in maintenance and service. Doctors and dentists cost more than large fire insurance agencies. Small tenants generally cost more than large ones and shallow space more than deep. A plan with many private offices increases costs. Small law firms cost more than average business tenants.

*Firms with 100–200 branch offices throughout the country vary in leasing and location requirements. One prefers 10-year maximum leases near but not in the 100% districts. A competitor wants 5-year maximum leases, preserving more mobility for offices similarly located, and may move to get into a better market area or away from an expensive location or to provide for expansion. One insurance company insists on 5-year maximum leases although its average tenancy has been about 20 years for hundreds of offices. Length of lease has direct effect on extent of alterations and make-ready expenses tenant is willing to assume.*

*An architect may become vitally interested in such details of loans and leases if he is retained at the outset of a project or if he becomes architect or consultant for a company with a multi-branch office organization*

## COMPANY BRANCH OFFICES IN

26	Acme Steel Co.	48	Automatic Sprinkler Corp. of America
14	Ahlberg Bearing Co.	18	Automatic Temperature Control Co., Inc.
27	Airetool Mfg. Co.	39	Babcock & Wilcox Co.
62	Air Reduction Sales Co.	18	Bailey Meter Co.
27	Ajax Flexible Coupling Co.	15	Bemis Bros. Bag Co.
23	Aldrich Pump Co.	13	Bentley-Harris Mfg. Co.
20	Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp.	37	Bethlehem Steel Corp.
16	Allen-Bradley Co.	17	Binks Mfg. Co.
59	Allied Chemical & Dye Corp.	15	Black Mfg. Co.
99	Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co.	41	Black, Sivalls & Bryson, Inc.
54	Aluminum Company of America	32	Blackmer Pump Co.
14	Aluminum Cooking Utensil Co.	22	Bowser, Inc.
27	American Brass Co.	14	Bridgeport Brass Co.
26	American Cabinet Hardware Co.	15	Brockway Glass Co., Inc.
65	American Chain & Cable Co., Inc.	14	Brown-Brockmeyer Co.
25	American Cyanamid Co.	29	Brown Instrument Co.
13	American Emblem Co.	15	Charles Bruning Co., Inc.
21	American La-France Foamite Corp.	22	Buckeye Tools Corp.
15	American Manganese Steel Div.	26	Bull Co.
	American Brake Shoe	9	Carboloy Co., Inc.
19	American Mineral Spirits Co.	14	Philip Carey Mfg. Co.
15	American Nickeloid Co.	34	Carnegie-Illinois Steel Co.
264	American Optical Company	19	Carrier Corp.
21	American Phenolic Corp.	15	Celotex Corp.
10	American Tobacco Co.	25	Chain Belt Co.
32	Anchor-Hocking Glass Corp.	16	Chapman Valve Mfg. Co.
41	Anchor Post Fence Div., Anchor Post Products Co.	24	Chicago Pneumatic Tool Co.
26	Armco Steel Corp.	18	Cincinnati Electric Tool Co.
39	Armstrong Cork Co.	20	Clark Equipment Co.
26	Atlas Powder Corp.	18	Clary Multiplier Corp.

Another formula approach (18) to pricing office space, which can be applied also to modernization projects, is more arithmetic than criteria:

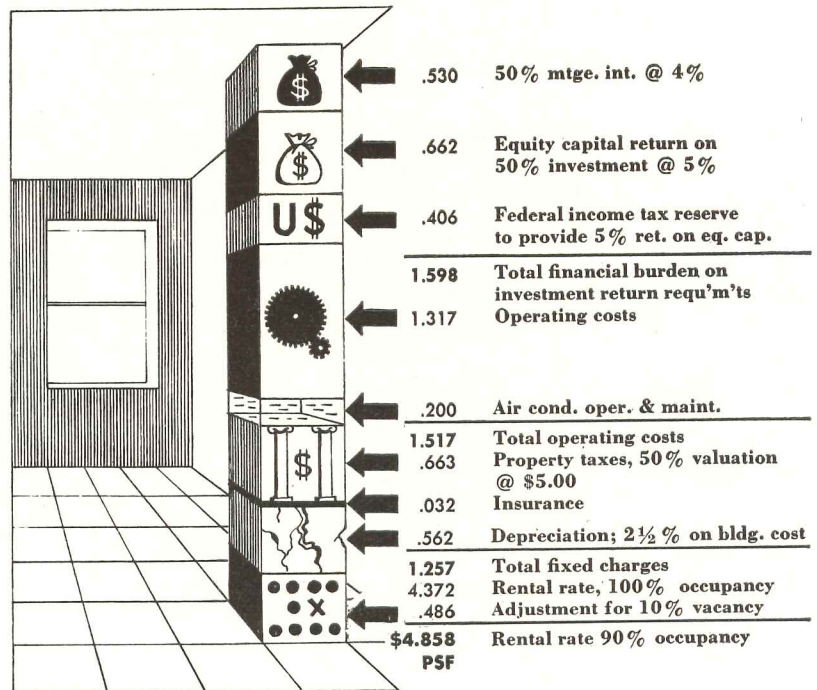
$$\text{Average rental psf} = \frac{\text{Capital investment} \times \text{Interest return desired}}{\text{Total rental area} \times \text{Retainable profit from rental dollar} (= \% \text{ oper. profit})}$$

EXAMPLE:

Assume:

Capital investment	\$1,000,000.
Interest return desired	.06
Total rentable area	50,000 sf
Retainable profit (from each dollar of rent)	.03

$$\text{Avg Rental rate} = \frac{1,000,000 \times .06}{50,000 \times .03} = \frac{60,000}{15,000} = \$4.00 \text{ psf}$$



Wayne Colvin

THE UNITED STATES

Approximate totals including major subsidiaries and divisions. Agents, sales representatives, etc., omitted.

38	Cochrane Corp.	28	Foxboro Corp.	35	Oliver Corp.
28	Colson Corp.	223	General Electric	20	Oliver Iron & Steel Corp.
15	Commercial Solvents Corp.	29	B. F. Goodrich Co.	268	Otis Elevator Co.
54	Continental Can Co., Inc.	98	Graybar Electric Co., Inc.	26	Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp.
22	Continental-Diamond Fibre Co.	24	Hercules Powder Co., Inc.	22	Permanente Metals Corp.
17	Continental Electric Co.	31	Homelite Corp.	11	Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.
25	Continental Rubber Works	24	A. C. Horn Co., Inc.	1200	Prudential Insurance Co.
126	Crane Co.	18	Howe Scale Co.	200	Remington Rand
31	Cutler-Hammer, Inc.	34	Ingersoll-Rand Co.	48	Republic Steel Corp.
43	Cyclone Fence Div. American Steel & Wire Co.	46	Inland Steel	37	Revere Copper & Brass Co.
16	Deere & Co.	70	Interchemical Corp.	42	Reynolds Metals Co.
44	Diamond Alkali Co.	200	International Business Machines	19	Rheem Mfg. Co.
19	Diamond Mfg. Co.	84	International Harvester Co.	16	Scovill Mfg. Co.
21	Dings Magnetic Separator Co.	18	Bryon Jackson Co.	37	Signode Steel Strapping Co.
18	Dodge Mfg. Corp.	28	D. O. James Gear Mfg. Co.	74	Simplex Time Recorder Co.
12	Dow Chemical Co.	55	Johns-Manville Corp.	46	Square D Co.
134	E. I. Du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc.	23	Kelley-Koett Mfg. Co.	21	Sterling Electric Motors, Inc.
16	Economy Fuse & Mfg. Co.	28	Kennametal, Inc.	37	Sun Chemical Corp.
19	Electric Storage Battery Co.	22	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co.	18	Sylvania Electric Products, Inc.
21	Elliott Co.	40	Link-Belt Co.	26	Syntron Co.
28	Erie City Iron Works	48	Liquid Carbonic Corp.	42	Timken Roller Bearing Co.
20	Exact Weight Scale Co.	100	Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane	82	Union Carbide & Carbon Corp.
18	Fafnir Bearing Co.	1000	Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.	30	Union Iron Works
38	Fairbanks-Morse & Co.	64	Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co.	36	United States Rubber Co.
30	Federal Electric Products Co.	20	Monsanto Chemical Co.	135	United States Steel Corp.
18	Federal Products Co.	28	Mueller Brass Co.	48	West Disinfecting Co.
25	Federated Metals Div. American Smelting & Refining Co.	51	National Cylinder Gas Co.	263	Westinghouse Electric Corp.
28	Fibre Specialty Mfg. Co.	28	National Steel Corp.	28	Wheelco Instruments Co.
14	Flintkote Co.	28	National Vulcanized Fibre Co.	42	Worthington Pump & Machinery Corp.
		19	Okonite Co.	22	Wyckoff Steel Co.
		21		41	York Corp.

# SMALL BUSINESS BUILDINGS

## Finance and Real Estate Viewpoint

One rather elaborate attempt to arrive at fair rent for office space is known as the Sheridan-Karkow formula. Its interest to architects is not in results for any particular case but in the criteria it sets up to define good space from user's point of view. Diagrams and photos compare criteria of this nature.

### FACTORS WHICH AFFECT REAL ESTATE VALUE

**MORE DESIRABLE**



**CORNER OFFICE**

**LESS DESIRABLE**



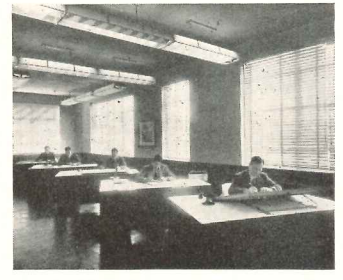
**ONE-WALL**

**MORE DESIRABLE**

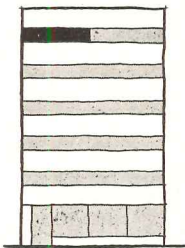


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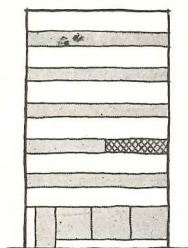
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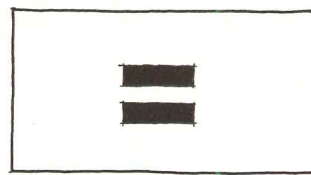
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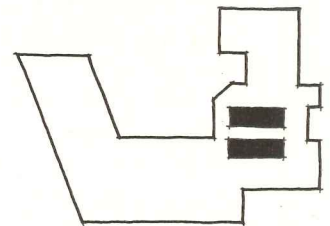
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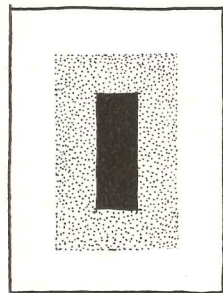
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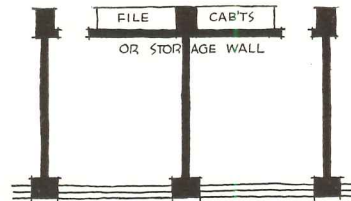
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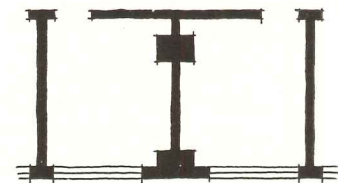
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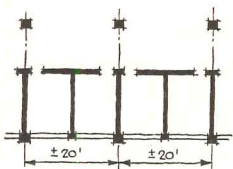
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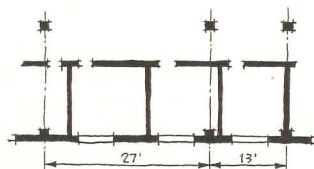
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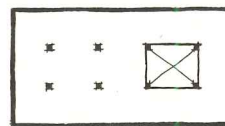
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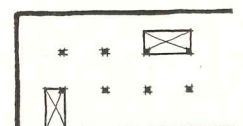
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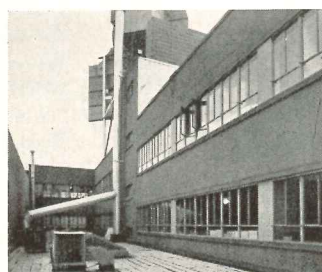
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**BIG WINDOWS**



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## LOCATION FACTORS:

### DECENTRALIZATION, ZONING, PARKING

*Decentralization* has resulted in an increase of office building construction in smaller cities. Reasons are various; defensive dispersal is only one. The financial advantage which may determine whether manufacturing administrative offices should be located at a plant or in an office building is only the difference between the capitalization of the two projects. The operating expenses and taxes will be approximately the same and contemporary communication facilities avoid most inconveniences due to separation. A recent article by a life insurance official (9) points out several reasons for reduction of new general office building construction in central areas:

- (1) Industrial office space (at plants)
- (2) "Home of their own" tendency
- (3) Medical arts buildings
- (4) Decentralization of merchandising

Lower interest rates are available to large organizations with national credit such as telephone and oil companies. This permits them to pay off on new construction years before private owners and consequently "high building costs alone will not stop new office building where large space users feel they need it." (9) An insurance or other sales branch office should be located to serve its territory with least travel by salesmen. This results in a two-sided location concept — *decentralization* of company as a whole and *centralization* of branch in its territory. Often no particular survey methods are used. Variety and food chains and other public-access services are usually established first and define a neighborhood or suburban shopping center based on their own careful surveys. "Many large companies make and keep current such studies on communities in a number of cities in which the location of a store might be desirable in the future. . . . No population center remains constant. Whatever type of area is selected for a store, it is important to select one that is not declining — and it is preferable to select one that is growing now and will continue to do so. . . . A market area is a dynamic thing, constantly adjusting to the economic and social forces which determine its pattern. . . . A good location of today may, in a few years, become a poor one." (33)

Real estate analysis or appraisal techniques for retail or office building sites include preparation of occupancy or strip maps showing location of all business and other occupancies in a city district. Realtors who specialize in chain-store locations prepare these for many cities as a basis for site selection in that highly competitive market.

Cities with "pin-wheel" or radial access highways

often lack adequate circumferential connections. For satisfactory office building sites, a city plan should have what one location executive calls "criss-cross" transportation. The usual unplanned suburban development lacks these crossways and building locations remote from main intersections or "hubs" will not properly serve the area. Insurance offices must consider ease of access to parking, transit, post office and banks. Security and commodity brokerage offices must be in financial districts, near banks, unless they are local branches decentralized for some special area near a concentration of customers. "It is preferable to be situated as closely as possible to organizations with which the greatest volume of business is done." (38)

"It has become evident that there is no dependable relationship between the quantity of pedestrian traffic and the value of a site as measured by retail sales. The Bureau of Foreign & Domestic Commerce made a study of traffic-trade relationships for drug stores and concluded that traffic volume when unrelated to character of the traffic is an unreliable measure of potential business of a site. . . . Corners having the heaviest traffic are not always the best business addresses . . . frequently traffic is too congested. . . ." (33) "The value of an office location from the standpoint of advertisement cannot be overlooked. It may be financially impossible to secure comparable advertising value through other mediums." (38)

"Vacant buildings are regarded as bad neighbors, thus vacancies nearby should be carefully investigated. It is possible that the buildings are old and untenable. On the other hand, perhaps a small amount of face-lifting on several old buildings for which the rent is relatively low would improve the entire block. One store might be able to start a low-cost but very effective renovating program, to the advantage of a group of stores. . . . A great deal can be learned from studying the occupancy history of the site under consideration." (33)

**Zoning:** A review of existing and proposed zoning regulations throughout the country indicates a definite trend toward mixed use. A number of cities for years have permitted retail and service shops on ground floors of multi-family dwellings. Progressive zoning proposals indicate still more intimate relationships between residence and employment. These may be effected by increased residential use of space above commercial occupancies in closely-built districts and by offices and very light or precision manufacturing in residential areas, with attractive lawns and landscaping. Offices and laboratories are already found in some low-

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### *Location Factors*

*Below left: Brokerage office attached to bank building. Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane; Phoenix, Arizona; Lescher & Mahoney, Architects*  
*Below: Good design is best advertising. Sill Bldg., Bakersfield, Cal.; Kump & Falk, Architects*



Left: Great Southwest Photography (Olchvary). Above: Roger Sturtevant

density residential areas and offices in high-density residential districts.

"One side or end of the (best retail) block is usually better than the other . . . normally, the better side or end is in the direction of the town's growth. Usually such growth is towards the town's best residential area. . . . In many of the larger cities, a majority of the volume of a city's retail business is conducted outside the central shopping district." (33)

Clinics or medical arts buildings belong near the centers of their tributary populations. If a small city develops an industrial area residential sections will grow elsewhere and groups of doctors' offices belong nearer the homes. Retail store "proximity to offices of professional men is desirable especially in outlying shopping centers. People having appointments with doctors, dentists, lawyers, etc., quite often will become shoppers if stores are conveniently accessible." (33)

Office buildings or office space to accommodate any sizable office organization, according to the Urban Land Institute, however, are "not desirable as a rule in outlying centers, increase trade very little, and unless rigidly controlled, will usurp all day parking space which should be reserved for shoppers. . . . Professional offices, particularly doctors and dentists where

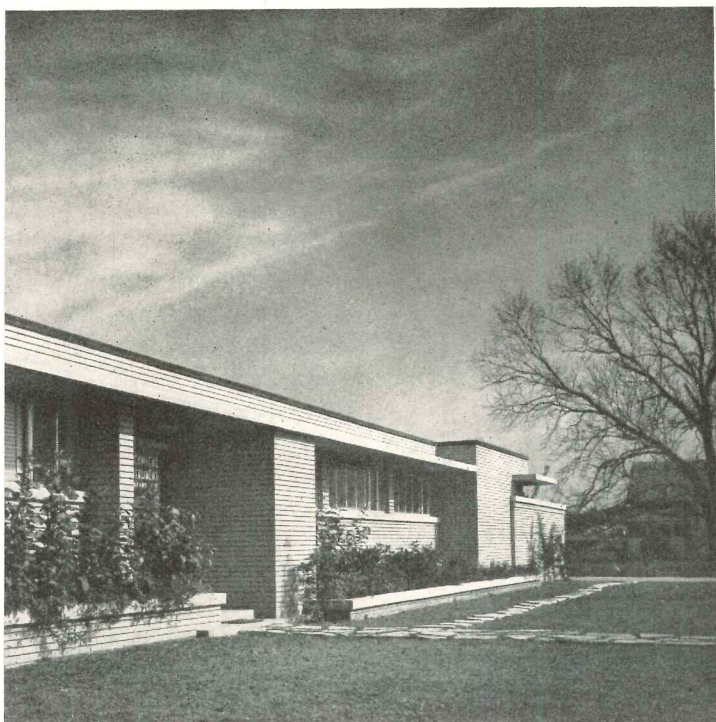
they occur in any number, are in the same category. They are expensive tenants, janitor service alone running about two times that of other tenants. Where they cannot be accommodated in second floor locations, the provision of a semi-residential type of building located to act as a buffer between the center and adjacent residential development is a satisfactory solution." (30)

The general purpose buildings with which we are mainly concerned, therefore, belong still nearer the business centers or in local retail districts. Cleveland has a regulation limiting to five persons the number of employees in business offices in such local retail business districts.

A buffer area is provided by transition zoning regulations in some cities to avoid undesirable use-district relationships. These may occur between residential and local retail or residential and industrial districts.

There are a number of zoning techniques for controlling bulk of buildings and density of population. Height, cubage and lot coverage limits are familiar to most urban architects. A more recently developed measure which has somewhat more critical value is the so-called "Floor Area Ratio" (ratio between total floor space — out-to-out dimensions all floors except ground floor — and total area of lot measured to street lines).

Left: Precision work in low-density zone. Technical Instrument Company, Houston, Texas. MacKie & Kamrath, Architects  
 Right: Semi-residential transition. Thornhill-Craver Co., Houston, Texas. MacKie & Kamrath, Architects



Mears Studio Photos

Application of this to a tall building may result in a ratio of 25 to 30. A two-story taxpayer will show a ratio of less than unity. Between such limits zoning classifications may be established in any city to regulate building bulk and population much more satisfactorily than cubage and height, for instance; these because of variation in story heights, have less relation to occupancy.

Complete zoning control, of course, must also include regulations to assure light and air and amortization of non-conforming uses.

**Parking:** There is considerable national variety in existing zoning controls of parking facilities. A 1947 study (36) of 70 cities from 50,000–100,000 population showed 21% required parking for office buildings and, of 22 cities reporting loading, 24% required loading areas for office buildings. Some other larger city rules and proposals are tabulated below:

Detroit . . . . .	1 space/400sf for office buildings
Los Angeles . . . . .	1 space/100sf business & commercial over 7500sf
Minneapolis . . . . .	1 space/100sf business & commercial over 500sf (proposed)

San Francisco . . . . .	1 space/450sf banks, business (proposed) or professional offices
South Central Connecticut regional zoning . . . . .	1 space/250sf ground floor (proposed) 1 space/500sf upper floors less than 500 ft. distant

The Urban Land Institute reports favorably on a parking solution for large cities consisting of fringe or marginal parking areas served by shuttle buses traveling from one parking area to another across a city.

One of the best studies of all phases of the parking problem is the 181-page Parking Manual issued in 1946 by the American Automobile Association's Traffic Engineering & Safety Department. "The trend for parking to be considered as a public use is reflected in the fact that 33 states have passed legislation permitting municipalities to undertake the provision of off-street parking . . . as a municipal function." (35)

The Urban Land Institute further recommends that "All leases should prohibit employers or employees from parking their cars in 100% business parking stations. . . . Employees' parking should be in the (more remote) locations even if a walk of two to three blocks is required." (30)

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## Planning (See Bibliography references 38-63)

### Branch Office Procedure

Large organizations with many branch offices often have their own locations, field office planning, or branch office layout departments. These establish planning, equipment, materials and finish standards, make surveys of existing space being considered, prepare layouts, schedule and supervise the work. Local architects are retained when the alteration is of sufficient size, or for new buildings. The accompanying data indicate the approach of such company planning departments which is largely concerned, as far as appearances go, with identification of the branch office as a unit of the parent company. There are also obvious advantages of mass purchasing and standardized planning.

Such organizations usually have Branch Office Manuals or Inspection Checklists for selection of location and assembly of data on proposed offices in new or existing structures.

Stockbrokers are another desirable tenant for a small business building. Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane, securities and commodities brokers, for example, have approximately 100 branch offices which are usually in ground or second floor locations for the convenience of clients. Their essential policies are clear identification as a Merrill Lynch operation and insistence on privacy of the customer's business.

Identification is effected by simple standardized equipment, uniform arrangement, decoration and services. Privacy is assured by a plan arrangement which always permits a customer to go to the Manager's office, to the cashier and to visit the investment department without passing through the crowded boardroom. The wire operators are also placed in a private location adjacent to the cage.

Standard partitions of two heights have been carefully designed for company use. Private offices and cages are enclosed by 66 in. walnut and glass partitions. Account-executive booths, which must permit vision of the board and yet give privacy to conversation and papers, are 36 in. walnut plus 9 in. glass. The booths are approximately 6 x 6 ft (single) and 6 x 12 ft (double).

Branch offices of this organization range from about 1000 sf to 5000 sf in area. The standardized quotation board of silicate slate sections has approximately 36 lf of arc set on varying radii (22-35 ft) and requires considerable ingenuity in planning for vision. Where Tele-register automatic quotation service is available it is replacing these chalkboards.

Each account-executive must have quick access to the wire operator. In larger installations message conveyor-belts are provided; in most cases an ample and direct passage is essential.

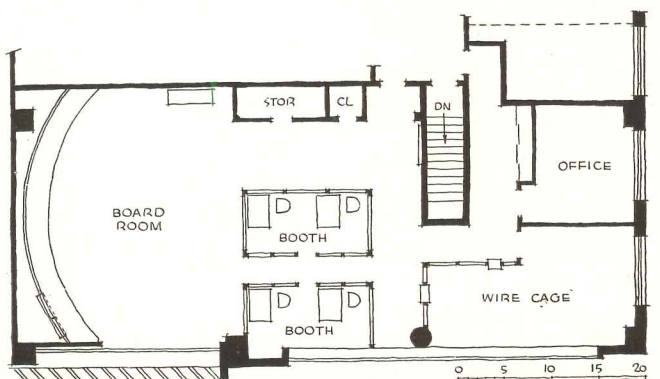
It is company policy to provide complete air conditioning, acoustic treatment and usually fluorescent lighting. The Locations Executive sums up this policy as follows: "Our design of offices is intended to provide the maximum convenience, efficiency and comfort for the account-executives who are the producers and also for the operating employees, the cashier and his staff and the wire operators. Although all our customers visit the offices at some time or other, taken by and large, over 90% of our business originates over the telephone and we must be set up to handle it rapidly and above all things, accurately."

### Problem Space

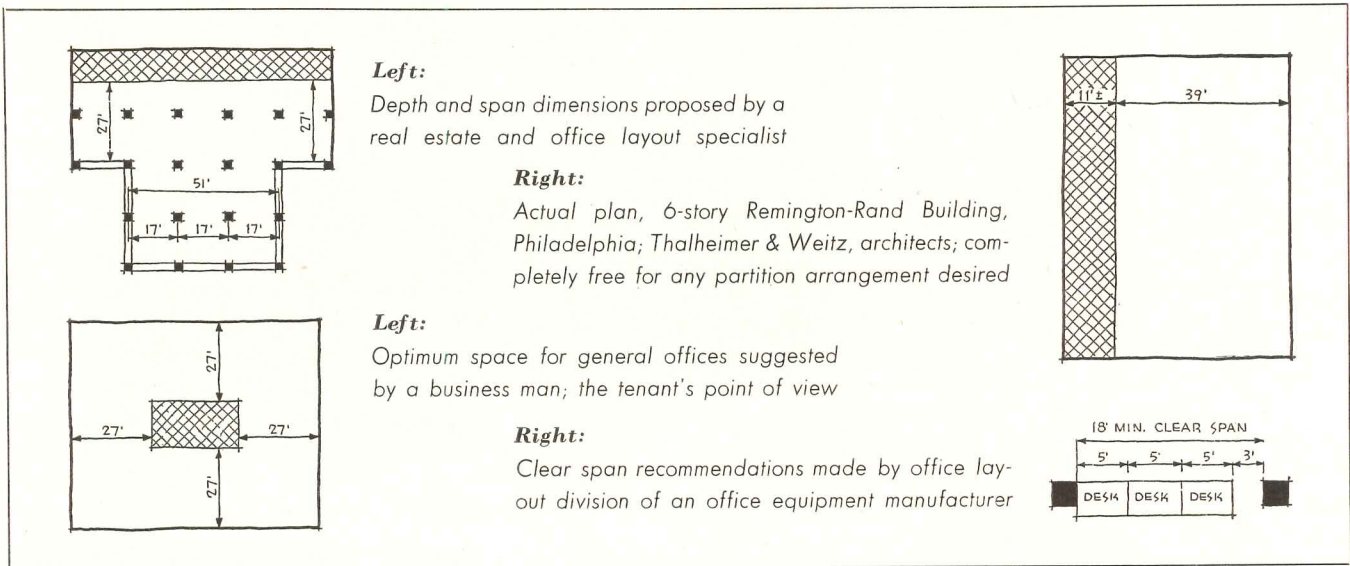
Some characteristics of undesirable space are shown on page 102. Branch office experience in renting offices all over the country yields some additional items.



Standard equipment, brokerage office, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane; left, office in Orlando, Fla.; James Gamble Rogers III, Archt. Below, office, Phoenix, Ariz.







### Shape of space and location of services

A major insurance company finds a tendency for the type of building they occupy as second floor tenants to be designed primarily for the first floor. Public stairs located at one side of a wide building and similar locations of toilets increase travel distances and complicate office planning. Long narrow space is equally bad since it is impossible to plan for group meetings. They favor a plan which permits rental of an end of a floor or a wing incorporating corridor space. This occasionally involves access to a fire exit but some codes permit locking such access if the office doors have large glazed areas. Elevators and utility stacks should be located so as not to crowd or make rentable space irregular.

### Space planning and flexibility

The architect must reconcile many points of view on office space. Each project will have its own special conditions but the accompanying diagrams indicate some

span and depth recommendations by various authorities.

Flexibility of office arrangements is important for the commercial office building because of changing requirements of both present and new tenants. For office purposes flexibility is often measured by spacing of window mullions which permits subdivision into various office widths. Mullions spacing recommendations vary from 3 ft 6 in. to 4 ft and 4 ft 6 in., giving multiples of:

7, 10-6, 14, 17-6, 21

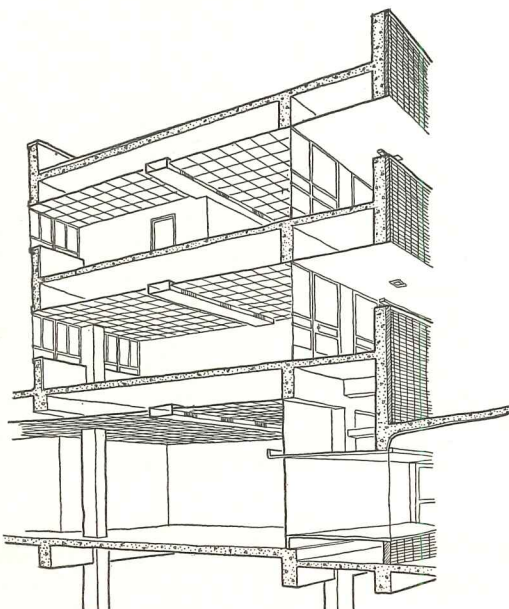
8, 12, 16, 20, 24

9, 12-6, 18, 22-6, 27

(Note: 18 ft clear spans imply approximately 20 ft column center spans which work out for 4 ft 0 in. mullion spacing.)

Use of stock 6 ft linoleum and 9 ft and 12 ft carpet widths for determination of office widths has been considered an economy factor by some planners.

The Sill Building, designed by Kump & Falk, has an arrangement of corridors on top of window sun-screens which results in increased flexibility. A climate in which



Section and view, exterior corridor, Sill Building, Bakersfield, Calif. (photo: Roger Sturtevant). All services in flush hung ceiling of removable tiles; partitions demountable — an invaluable aid to flexibility



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### *Planning*

Delivery facilities: left, Esso Headquarters, Richmond, Va., Carneal & Johnston, Archts. (Photo: Dementil). Right, Sill Building, Bakersfield, Calif., Kump & Falk, Archts. (Photo: Roger Sturtevant)



exterior gallery-corridors of this type are appropriate gives this opportunity to free the plan of non-revenue space.

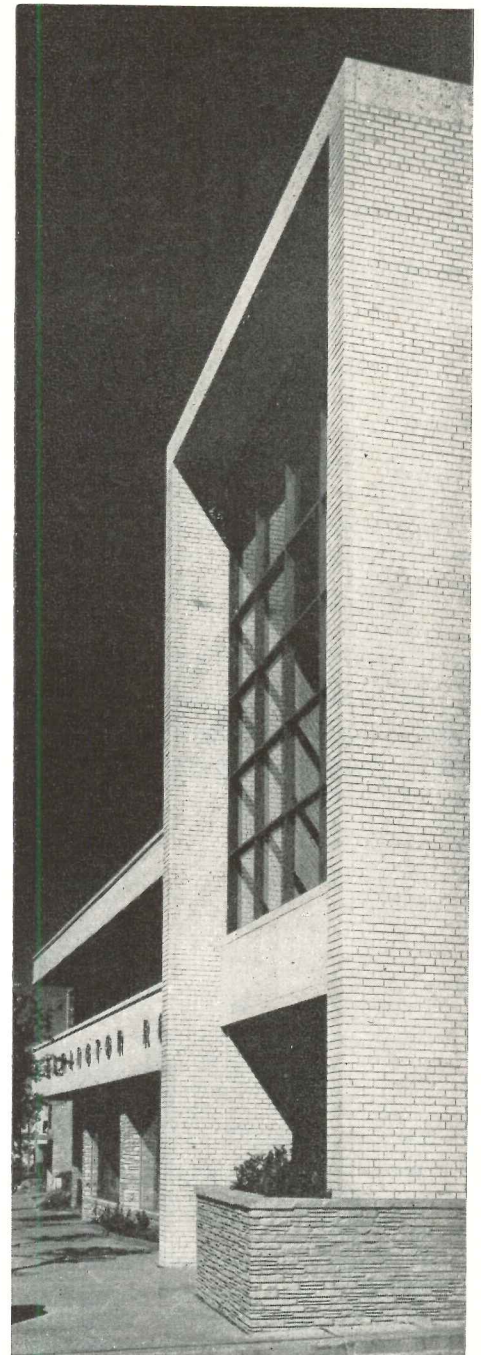
### *Facilities*

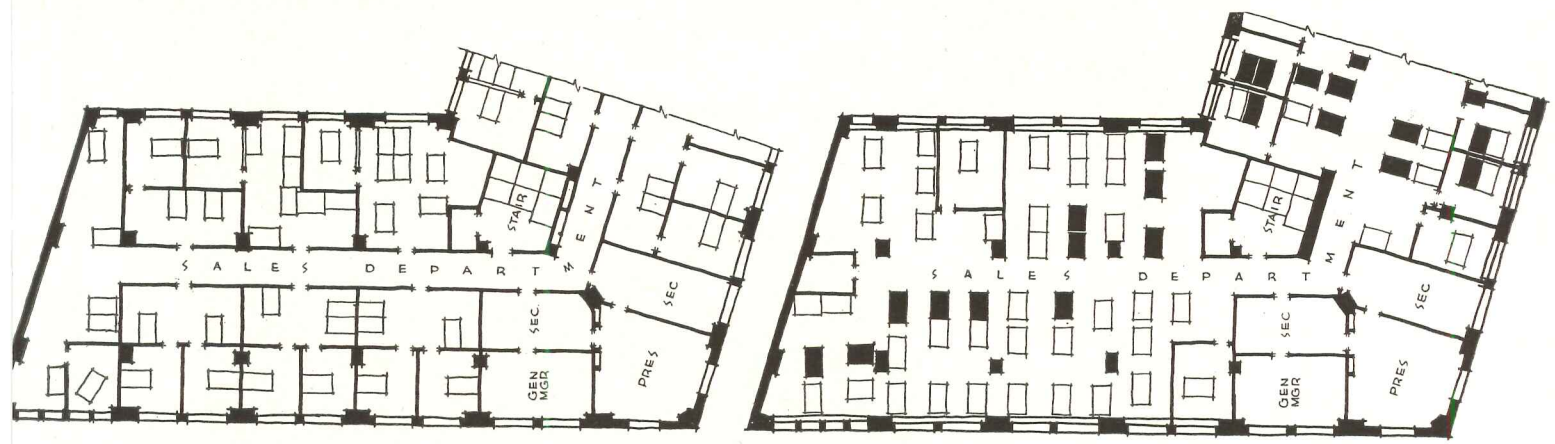
An architect may help increase the rental values and tenant-holding ability of a commercial building by persuading the owner to consider certain additional equipment and amenities as a part of the basic building. Their cost is insignificant in relation to loss of revenue from vacancies.

Branch office experts all emphasize the importance of knowing who installs and who pays for utilities, lighting fixtures, water heaters, air conditioning, toilet room accessories, various maintenance services and alterations. Many buildings offered for use of companies of national scope are inadequately equipped and leases may provide that tenant-installed items become property of owner when lease expires. The following typical examples of inadequacy have resulted in selection of other buildings: Single and bare toilet rooms instead of separate and properly equipped facilities for men and women, no hot water, lack of freight elevators or hoisting facilities, no loading or large object access, insufficient security of rear windows, inadequate wiring for equipment loads.

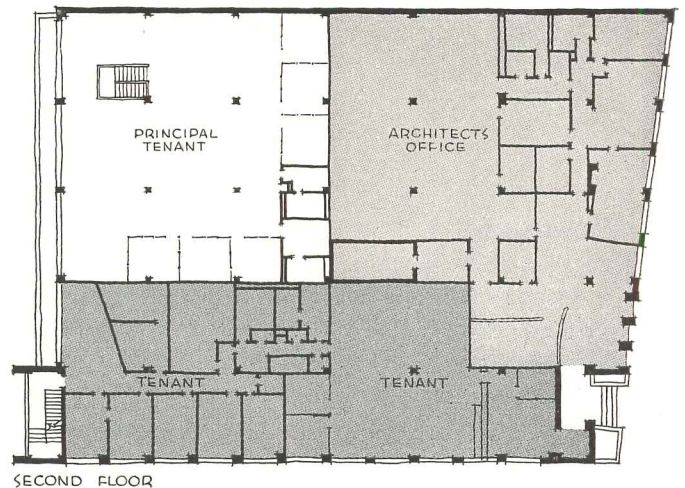
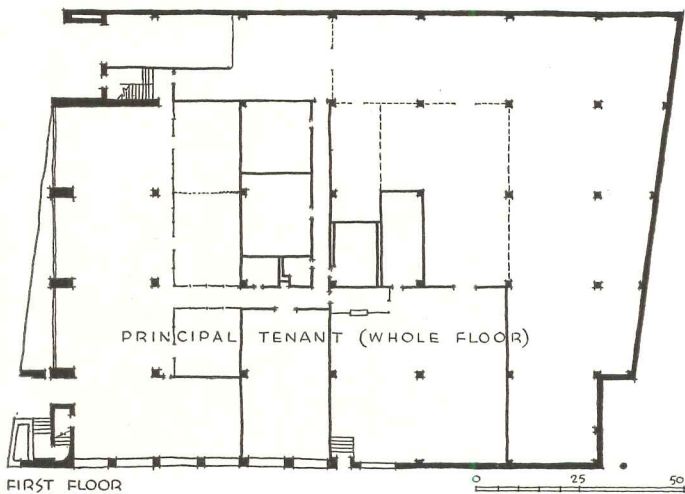
### *Expansion and preplanned Growth*

Expansion of a building obviously can be either horizontal or vertical. There are many examples of preplanning both varieties, by plot plan or structural provisions for the future space. Another method is to construct more space than needed for the major occupant and lease the extra area on a temporary basis, planning and earmarking it for expansion needs. A final type is internal — re-study of space for more efficient layout. This also may be preplanned by providing excessive areas for original occupancy, such as conference rooms for later conversion to private offices or loose arrangements of desks and equipment for eventual tighter planning. The private office is declining in favor among management experts and space-saving conversion of private office





Plans above show economy of open office space; an actual office replanning done by an office equipment company. Black squares are desks added after replanning. Photos (by William Langley) and plans below: office building in Dallas, Texas, takes advantage of sloping site; two story portion occupied by Remington-Rand, some space for other tenants, one-story portion entered from next street, occupied by the building's designers, George L. Dahl, architects and engineers



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### Planning

space to pools and general office areas has been accepted by many institutions.

Planning which eliminates the double-circulation of connecting doors between private offices will also save space. Departments which are expected to expand should be placed next to available or easily altered space.

Top, general offices planned for growth; International Business Machines, Portland, Ore. (Photo: Photo-Art). Right, offices divided merely by curtains to permit expansion (can be thrown into one) or to simplify permanent subdivision if that should become necessary; own office, Page, Southerland & Page, Architects, Austin, Tex.



### Features — Equipment — Materials

There has been much written in recent years about "integrated design," perhaps without any full realization of what the words mean and imply. The term involves completeness of parts and relationships, clearly defined functional expression; and is closely related to that other catchword, integrity or honesty. It implies an esthetic and practical marriage of architecture and engineering throughout the job. This so works that it is impossible to draw a line and proclaim: this is architecture, this is engineering. It is design in three-dimensions, completely conditioned for use and appearance. In addition to space and circulation such conditioning includes:

- Atmosphere (air conditioning, etc.)
- Orientation (sun screens)
- Light (natural & artificial)
- Color (bibliography 81-83)
- Sound control (machine areas, general space)
- Finish materials (bibliography 72-80)
- Maintenance facility (including window cleaning, accessibility of mechanical equipment)
- Utility availability (wiring for business machines, telephone ducts)
- Ease of alteration (smooth ceilings for uniform partition heights, re-usable partitions, etc.)
- Structural fitness (appropriate floor load capacities)

### Air Conditioning

"It has long been our opinion that Architects in this locality could not afford to work in a building that was not air conditioned and the improvement in the performance of our force since occupying this building has strengthened this opinion" (Page, Southerland and Page, Texas architects).

A tendency to provide complete air conditioning results in increased floor-to-floor heights often with ducts above removable ceiling installations. This affects relationship between cubage and square feet of space in such manner as to change former valuation standards. In some large buildings air conditioning is available on a rental basis and can be a most profitable business.

Increased use of business machines results in heavier air conditioning loads, particularly where operation requires 100% duty. Typical outputs:

Card-punching machine . . . . .	150 btu/hr
Accounting machine . . . . .	4000 btu/hr

Heavy electronic equipment used in some home office installations may require several tons of refrigeration.

### Fire Insurance (Bibliography references 84-92)

Conformance to local building code is not enough for the commercial building. Construction system, selection of materials, equipment, plan and proposed occupancy must also be reviewed to obtain lower insurance rates. The accompanying hypothetical case comparison illustrates the importance of this factor of operating budgets. Experienced building owners expect architects to submit insurance data along with plans and specifications.

A change in occupancy may cause a greatly increased rate. Rate schedules are further subdivided for contents insurance. Naturally these kinds of insurance are not under the architect's control and we have highlighted only the subject of building insurance rate.

Insurance rate schedules which apply to 90% of the examples of this building type are established in each state by a state-wide fire insurance rating organization

## EXAMPLE OF FIRE INSURANCE COMPARISON FOR TYPICAL SMALL BUSINESS BUILDING

Assume area 20,000 sf		Height floor-to-floor	Occupancy
	Area		
basement	20,000 sf	11 ft	retail storage heating plant retail offices & light occupancy
1st floor	20,000 sf	15 ft	
2nd floor	20,000 sf	12 ft	

CASE A: FIRE-RESISTIVE; rate per \$100 is .035	
basement	20,000 x 11 = 220,000 cf @ \$ .50 = \$110,000.
1st-2nd	20,000 x 27 = 540,000 cf @ 1.12 = 604,000.
Fire-resistive total construction estimate \$714,800.	

CASE B: NON-FIRE-RESISTIVE; rate is .560	
basement	220,000 cf @ \$ .50 = \$110,000.
1st-2nd	540,000 cf @ .94 = 507,600.
Non-fire-resistive total construction est. \$617,600.	
Difference in construction estimates \$ 97,200.	
CASE A: yearly ins. cost = $\frac{\$714,800}{\$100} \times .035 =$ \$ 250.18	
CASE B: $\frac{\$617,600}{\$100} \times .560 =$ \$ 3,458.56	
per year at 100% valuation	
In 20 years on annual renewals (can be bettered on term privileges):	
	CASE B: \$ 69,171.20
	CASE A: \$ 5,003.60
	SAVING \$ 64,167.60
	71% of construction difference

(Note: Interest, taxes, maintenance, etc., disregarded)

(Estimating data from Murphy Brinkworth Construction Corporation)

supported by the fire insurance stock companies (although a few mutual companies participate) under state government supervision. Separate schedules are developed for each class of occupancy (mercantile, manufacturing, etc.) and for fire-resistive and non-fire-resistive construction.

An architect may save his client thousands of dollars over the life of a building by an insurance review and plan revision before construction. The National Building Code recommended by the National Board of Fire Underwriters (84) (which also considers general safety provisions) will serve as a guide to approved practice. The 1949 edition is in form appropriate for adoption as a local municipal building code. Previous editions have been so adopted by over 100 cities. When practical difficulties arise in a specific job a recommendation may be obtained from the nearest office of the state fire insurance rating organization.

Decisions on fire protection and safety features will depend on a comparison of construction costs of alternate plans and corresponding insurance rates. Protection of vertical openings, exposure to and "communications"

with adjacent hazards are important factors in determining rates. The schedules also provide protection credits for the following items:

- automatic fire alarms
- standpipes
- automatic sprinklers
- watchmen, clock and special
- building signals
- fire pumps
- fire pails and extinguishers

It will be found uneconomic to provide elaborate protection for ordinary light occupancies. As in any other analysis such a study can be prepared only for a specific building. In usual projects it need not require a formal or lengthy review.

To sum up, fire insurance rates are predicted on construction, protection, occupancy and exposure. The building valuation to which rates are applied is entirely the responsibility of the insured party. The schedules list items, to be added or deducted in order to arrive at the rate, in cents per \$100 valuation per year.

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| g graphs or charts    | t tables      |
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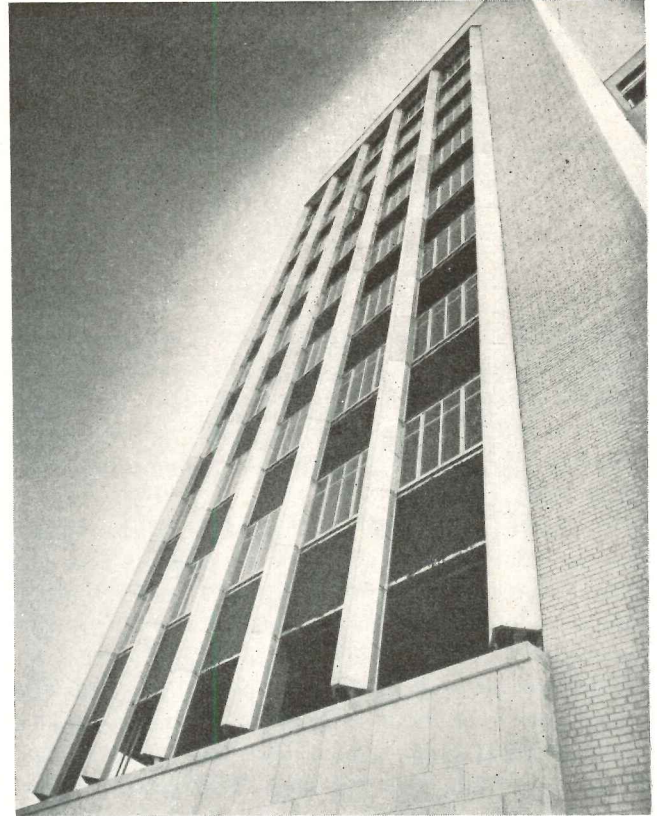
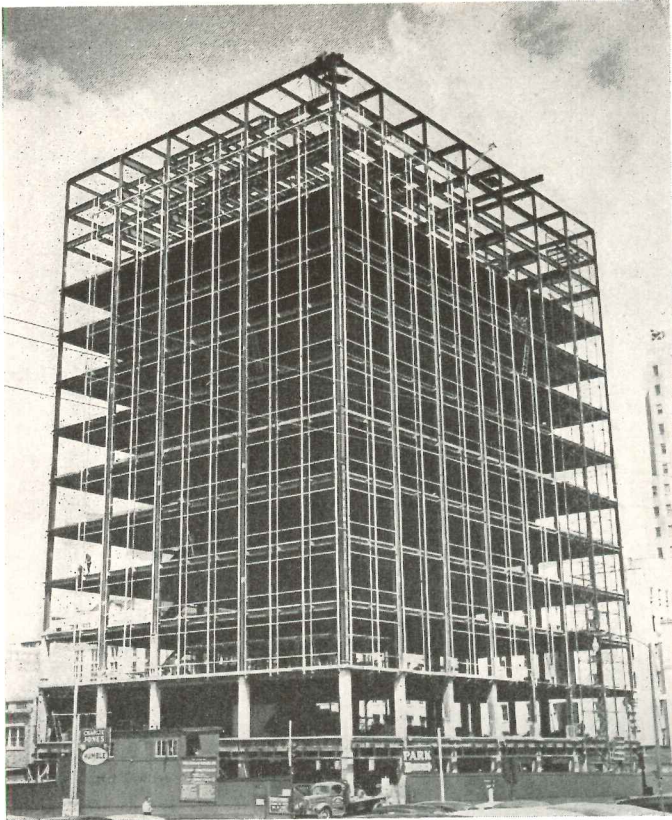
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## AIR CONDITIONING WORKS WITH DESIGN

for space utilization, flexibility, economy

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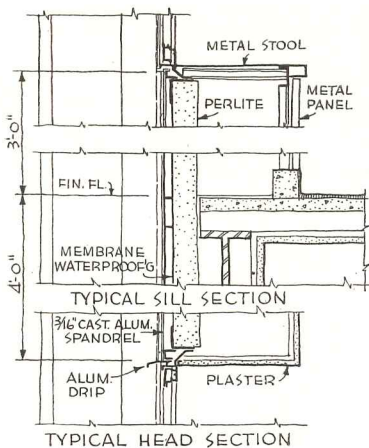
**T**HE tall, vertical fins which stretch up three sides of this Dallas office building would hardly be thought of as an essential part of its air conditioning system. But actually they conceal the pipes and ducts which heat or cool areas facing the outside.

This is just one of several ways in

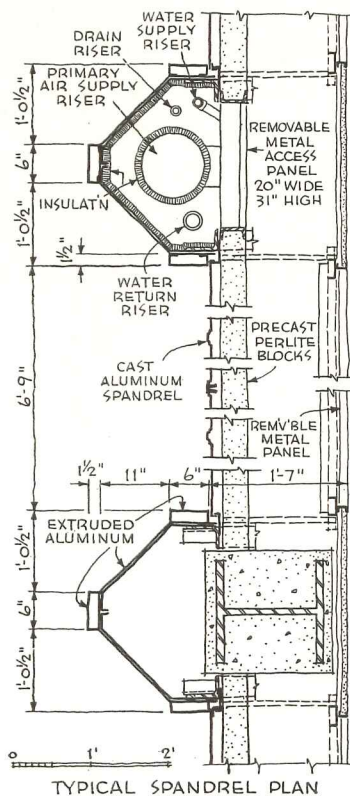
which air conditioning ties in with the design of the structure. In addition, the heavy air conditioning equipment is at the top of the building. Air distribution of the central zones is designed to permit major changes in room partitions without the air conditioning system being disturbed. And in keeping with

these concepts, one of the newest developments in refrigeration equipment is being used.

This fourteen-story office building, with basement, is sheathed in aluminum and glass with the lower store fronts being limestone and granite and the uppermost and rear sections, cream-



Pipes and air supply riser providing air conditioning for exterior office zones do not take up valuable space, but instead are installed in aluminum fins on the outside of the building. Access panels replace insulating blocks behind fins where pipe lines lead into offices to connect with conditioners. Aluminum spandrel panels indicated on drawings had not been installed in progress photo, (left)



insulation for the aluminum fins and spandrel panels. At each floor there are runouts from the pipes in the fins to window units which air condition the exterior zones.

### Central Heating and Cooling Zones

In order to attain a high degree of flexibility in location of partitions, the conditioned air in the central zones is distributed through a perforated tile ceiling. The use of metal perforated tile and acoustical pads allows the air supply to be shifted from one section of the ceiling to another without changing its appearance.

Air is discharged from ductwork between the suspended ceiling and the floor slab above; wherever an air outlet is needed, the acoustical pads are omitted. It is possible, therefore, to change the air distribution at will simply by moving the acoustical pads from one cell to another. The cells are held in place by friction clamps of a T-bar type of construction. The use of flush troffer fluorescent lights makes it possible for lights and tile to be interchangeable. Partitions can be rearranged without involving extensive time and cost in modifying air conditioning and lighting to suit the new partition pattern.

### Heavy Air Conditioning Equipment on Top Floors

In the early design stages, it was decided that, functionally and economically, it would be feasible to locate major air conditioning equipment on the top floors. The space in the basement was considered too valuable to give up for boiler and machine room space. With the type of heating and cooling planned, this did not impose any difficult engineering problems.

Structurally, the building had to be strengthened somewhat to carry the weight imposed by the air conditioning equipment. This weight, however, is quite minor in comparison to the normal loads the structure has to carry. A small amount of space is gained throughout the building itself because no bulky stacks go up through the building, and there are no condenser water pipes to take up space.

Since the architectural treatment of the building necessitates that the central air handling system be located at the top of the building, there is a large saving in piping because of the proximity of the refrigerating equipment to the major air cooling system. Likewise, sav-

colored brick. It is scheduled for occupancy February 1, 1950.

### Air Conditioning Piping Outside the Building

The air and water used for air conditioning the exterior zones is distributed from the twelfth floor down the outside of the building. Pipe lines encased in the triangular aluminum pilasters or fins run from the third floor to a point halfway between the twelfth and thirteenth floors.

Besides being functional, the placement of these pipes on the exterior of the building structure accomplishes the dream of designers to have straight lines in the building interior. Except for

windows, each interior face of the exterior wall is a flat surface. Each fin carries an air conduit, two water pipes and a drain which, together with window conditioner units, comprise the high pressure conduit type of air conditioning employed. The air conduit, 13 in. in diameter in some places, would make an appreciable encroachment in the occupied space if it were installed in the conventional manner. So to eliminate this, the piping and air conduit were placed in the vertical fins on the outside of the structure. These fins, made of aluminum and insulated on the inside with 1 in. of blanket-type insulation, form the main motif of the building. Precast perlite blocks provide backup

ings are made in steam piping by having the boilers located adjacent to the major steam consuming apparatus.

### **Latest in Refrigeration Units Used**

Contrary to the popular concept, steam, ordinarily used for heating only, is also being used for refrigeration. Steam absorption units, successfully used in several pilot installations, and just recently placed on the active market, were selected to provide the refrigeration. While they are, in this case, a little more expensive than centrifugal machines, it is anticipated that a lower operating cost will effect a worthwhile saving in power costs. The new unit uses plain water as a refrigerant and a simple salt as an absorbent. Water to

be chilled is sprayed into an evaporator maintained at an almost perfect vacuum. Due to this high vacuum, a portion of the water vaporizes, cooling the remaining water which is pumped to the load.

The vaporized water goes into an absorber where it is taken up by the salt solution. The heat liberated by the absorption of the water vapor is transferred to cooling water.

Since the absorption of the water vapor reduces the salt concentration of the solution (reducing its absorbing power) it must be reconcentrated. Steam heats the solution and boils off the water vapor previously absorbed by the salt solution.

The absorption principle is not new. However, it has been in extremely lim-

ited use for heavy duty applications because of the lack of a refrigerant-absorbent combination that was both safe and efficient. Machines of this type using ammonia are not suitable for air conditioning because of the toxic qualities of ammonia.

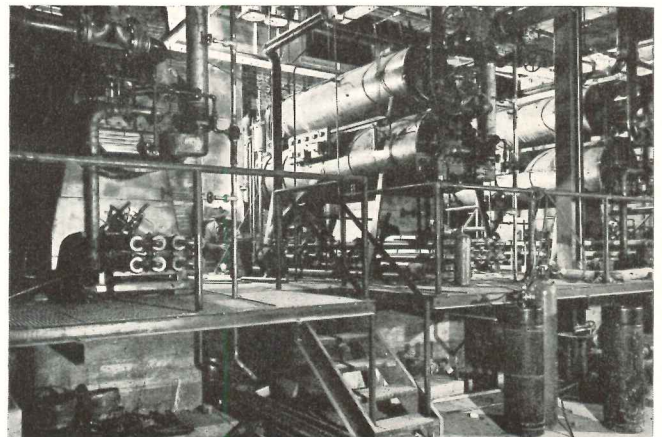
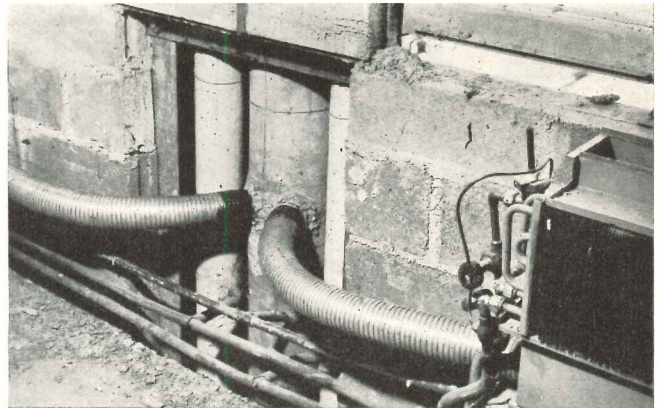
### **Special Ventilation for Basement Garage**

Most of the basement is for car storage. Mechanical ventilation is provided to safeguard the health of those working in the area. Large quantities of air travel the full length of the garage, and are then exhausted by mechanical means. The exhaust ductwork is arranged so that there are grilles at both the floor and ceiling to insure removal of gases, regardless of where they collect.

Conditioned air for central zones comes through portion of metal perforated ceiling where sound absorbing pads are left out. Use of perforated tile ceiling and the type of fluorescent troffer shown allows rearrangement of partitions for new offices with minimum loss of time and complete salvage of original material

Top: primary air and water lines coming into the room air conditioners from the aluminum fins. Primary air discharged through nozzles in the conditioner causes recirculation of room air over secondary heating-cooling coil (seen at extreme right). Bottom: major air conditioning equipment is on top floors. Shown here are the steam refrigerating units; plain water does the cooling

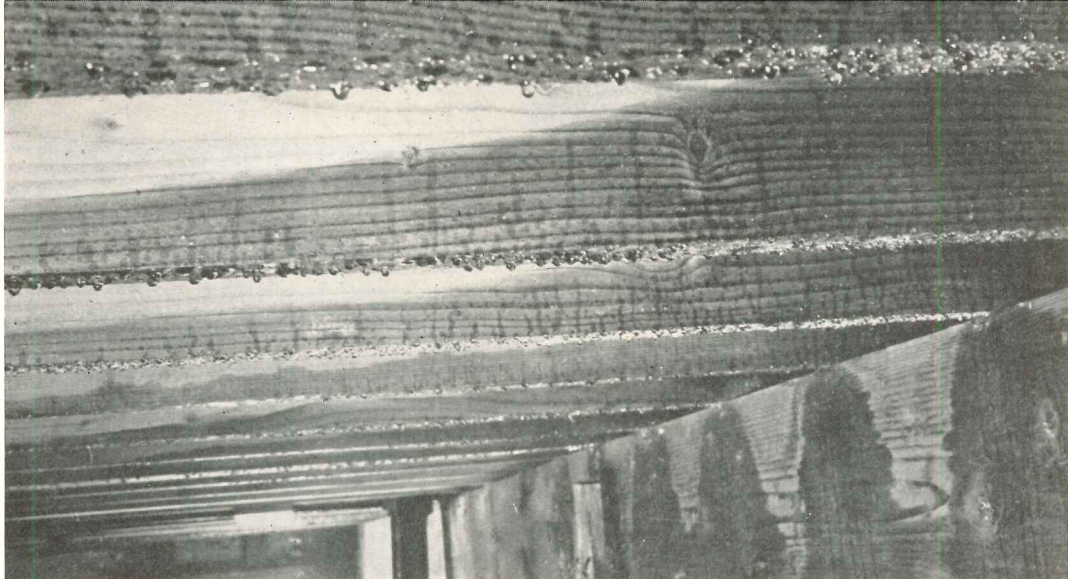
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**Fig. 1**

This startling collection of water on the floor joists over a crawl space came from the soil. Without ventilation or soil covering in crawl spaces, structural members frequently become cold enough to condense moisture out of the air



## PREVENTING CONDENSATION IN DWELLINGS

*Based on a new booklet\* published by the Housing and Home Finance Agency, this article explains the causes of condensation troubles in dwellings, tells why they are more prevalent today, and sets down recommended practice to prevent them. Construction details showing vapor barrier installation will be taken up in next month's and subsequent Time-Saver Standards*

A FEW years ago little or no attention was given to condensation in dwellings. Either it did not occur or was so minute that it was not a serious problem. Difficulties resulting from lack of condensation control, such as paint peeling and wood decay, have increased recently, and many troubles little understood heretofore are now attributed to lack of sound condensation control practices. Presented here are recommended methods of condensation control by the use of vapor barriers and ventilation based on engineering tests and practical experience, and applicable mainly to small house construction.

### **Why Condensation Troubles Today?**

Condensation troubles are more prevalent now because dwellings have higher relative humidities than before. High prices, the scarcity of building materials, and other economic conditions favor the building of smaller, more compact houses, with resultant higher humidities. Improvements in the machining of wood parts, new materials, and the use of weather strips and storm windows now make both new and old houses tighter than formerly by restricting air leakage

\*"Condensation Control in Dwelling Construction" by Forest Products Laboratory, Forest Service, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture in collaboration with the technical staff of H.H.F.A. Available from Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., 20 cents.

or infiltration. Humidifiers, when used indiscriminately, sometimes add greatly to the condensation problem, especially during extremely cold weather.

Today, people make more extensive use of appliances discharging water vapor into the living space than in the past, thus making condensation control more essential. Basements are frequently omitted in low-cost construction, and instead there is substituted an enclosed crawl space below the building. This crawl space may often be damp and thus contribute large quantities of water vapor which may find its way up into walls, attics, and living areas.

Thermal insulation is also used to a greater extent than formerly and as a consequence, outside wall surfacing materials (sheathing and siding) are somewhat colder than those of uninsulated construction. The use of thermal insulation, however, is not, as is often assumed, the only factor contributing to condensation nor does it attract moisture. It must, however, be properly installed with whatever collateral materials or other means that are necessary to prevent condensation trouble.

### **Common Troubles**

One of the most common and widespread types of damage for which condensation is often responsible is in exterior painting. Condensed water vapor

often collects behind the siding of a building in the form of free water or ice. This excess moisture may absorb extractives from the wood and result in stains as it runs out over the surface of the siding. In some cases the condensate thoroughly soaks the siding, causing paint blisters and early paint peeling. If moist conditions prevail for a long enough time, decay may also result.

Another type of condensation damage may occur in houses having unventilated flat roofs. Sometimes water vapor passes through the ceiling and condenses on the roof sheathing from which it drips back to the ceiling, causing the plaster to crack.

In basementless houses without crawl space ventilation or soil cover, the outside walls, plate, sills, and adjoining joists exposed in the crawl space of the building are often cooled to temperatures below the dew point in the enclosed space. When this happens water often condenses on the surfaces in sufficient quantity to produce conditions favorable to decay. This is illustrated in Figure 1.

Figure 2 shows a house with pitched roof in which water vapor entering the attic space from the occupied area condensed near the eaves where the structural parts were colder than in the occupied area of the building. The arrows indicate where decay started.

## Control Methods

Condensation control in dwellings is possible by the proper use of vapor barriers, ventilation or a combination of both. Vapor barriers are membranes, aluminum or oil paint films, rubber base paints, metallic sheets, or other materials or coatings that prevent objectionable amounts of water vapor from being absorbed or transmitted through walls, floors, and ceilings. Vapor barriers are no better than their quality nor thoroughness of their installation. They should be selected for quality and should be carefully placed. Ventilation is suitable for reducing water vapor concentration in attics and in unheated crawl spaces below living quarters. In some dwellings it is desirable to provide ventilation for the living quarters in order to lower the relative humidity and thereby reduce condensation hazards.

Added roof protection at the eave line to prevent backing up of melted snow and ice is advisable. Trouble from this source is often erroneously blamed on condensation.

Many materials used as interior surfaces of outside walls, ceilings, and roofs will permit water vapor to pass through them slowly when the relative humidity or vapor pressure is different on opposite sides unless a vapor barrier is provided. When the relative humidity or vapor pressure within the house at the

wall surface is greater than that within the wall, water vapor will migrate in the absence of an effective vapor barrier through the plaster or other finish into the wall cavity and will condense if it comes in contact with surfaces below its dew point. This process may continue throughout the heating season at varying rates depending on conditions in and out of the house.

The water vapor generated within a dwelling is first diffused through the space within the building, increasing the relative humidity. Some of it is absorbed by rugs, fabrics, and other house furnishings, and some is condensed on windows. This water may be removed slowly from the living quarters by the opening of outside doors, by diffusion through walls and ceilings into cavities or attic spaces, by leakage around windows and doors, by way of air supplied to burning fuel in heating equipment vented into chimneys, and by air exhausted by kitchen ventilating fans, etc.

*Vapor Barriers.* Adequate, well-installed vapor barriers are an effective means of preventing troublesome deposits of frost or water in walls and attics of houses exposed to low temperatures.\* The vapor

\*A good vapor barrier when installed should not have an average vapor transmission rate greater than 1.25 grains per sq ft, per hr, per in. of mercury differential including joints, fittings around outlet boxes, and the like. It should have sufficient mechanical strength to permit handling during erection without damage. It should also retain its vapor resistance qualities for the life of the building or, if a paint film, until it is renewed.

barrier should form a tight envelope near the warm side of the building element in which it is installed.

A number of satisfactory materials or combinations of materials are available that restrict the movement of water vapor. These include asphalt impregnated and coated papers having a glossy or bright finish. This feature is important since thin, dull-surfaced papers are not generally so effective as is the glossy finish. Duplex papers composed of two sheets of 30-lb kraft paper with a 60-lb per 3000 sq ft asphalt layer between them; aluminum foil mounted on one or two sides of a paper support, or attached to the plaster base; or aluminum paint, oil paint, or rubberbase paint in sufficient coats to result in a smooth glossy finish are types of material that may be expected to give satisfactory service.

Papers used to support insulating materials which have narrow strips of asphalt as an adhesive to join the paper and insulating materials are not usually good vapor barriers and their value for this purpose should be accurately confirmed before purchasing.

*Sheathing.* In contrast to the vapor-tight properties of the warm side of a wall, those of the cold side should be just the opposite—a construction capable of losing moisture that might gain entrance to the wall is highly desirable. On the other hand, the exterior sur-

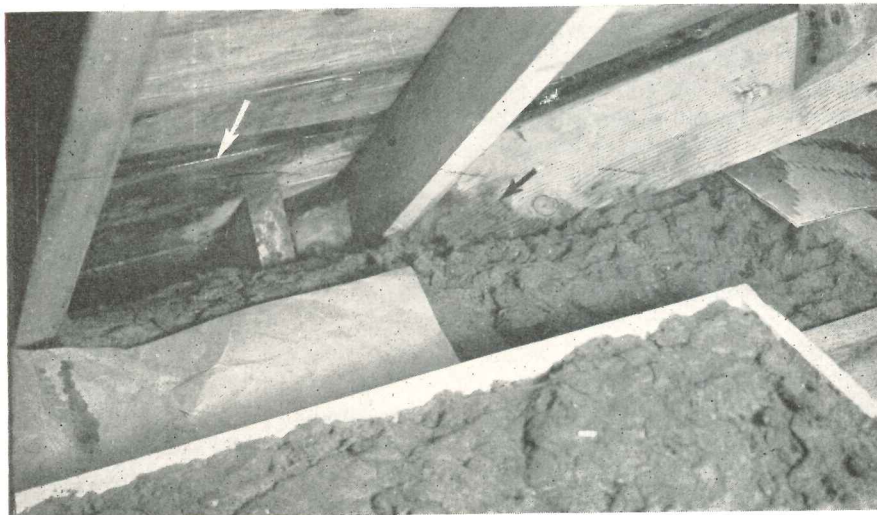


Fig. 2

Condensation near the eaves of this attic is causing wood to decay (arrows). No attic ventilation or vapor barrier was provided. The house, located in Madison, Wis., was occupied in September, and the photo was taken in December

face must resist rain and strong winds. Sheathing paper, sometimes called breathing paper, between the sheathing and the finish siding has been customarily used to reduce infiltration of cold air and to prevent the penetration of wind-driven rain. In order that there be as little restriction as possible to the release of moisture, it is recommended that the sheathing paper and the sheathing be of types that will readily transmit water vapor.†

**Ventilation.** In proper amounts and correctly applied, ventilation is a recognized means of controlling condensation in buildings. By introducing fresh air into living quarters during the winter, some water vapor is forced out of the building, and air containing a low vapor content is introduced. In this way high vapor pressures which are a factor in producing condensation are reduced considerably. Ventilation is effective in preventing condensation in unheated attics, spaces below flat roofs, and crawl spaces in basementless houses. Although much is yet needed in experience and test data to prove the efficiency and effectiveness of ventilation in the cold cavities of walls to prevent condensation, there are some data indicating favorable results with an upward air movement on the cold side of any insulation in the cavity. This air movement should have the intake from the outside and should exhaust to the outside at the top of the wall unless provision is made to disperse the moisture added to other spaces above the wall. The burning of fuels for heating tends to increase the amount of fresh air entering a building and thus provides ventilation in the occupied spaces. No special provision is ordinarily made for it to enter since it usually gets in through infiltration around doors and windows. Where the construction is weather stripped and has tight exteriors, additional openings may be required.

Attic spaces are sometimes a source of trouble because of condensation on roof boards, shingles, or on long nails extending through the roof into the attic. Where the attic floor is well insulated, adequate ventilation in the

attic is a safeguard against such condensation difficulties.

Ventilation in the cold cavities of walls by openings at both top and bottom is considered effective in preventing condensation in the cavity provided they open to the outside. Research to date indicates that 1 in. of opening per running foot of wall at both top and bottom is effective.

During the warmer months of the year a deposit of water or condensation is frequently found on basement walls and floors that are in contact with the soil. This type of water deposit is often confused with or thought to be water seeping through the concrete. In most cases, it does little harm; but where the floor or walls are covered with decorative materials, precautions are necessary to prevent decay or discoloration.

#### Good Practice Recommendations

**Ventilator Size.** There has been some confusion in the past on amounts of ventilation area intended when terms such as "area," "free area," "gross area," "net area," and just plain ventilation are used. The effect of air movement restriction such as (1) louvers, (2) fine mesh insect screen, and (3) grilles containing relatively small holes has not been completely understood.

For specification purposes and as used in the following discussion of amounts of ventilation recommended, the values given will be the "net amount of ventilation." The net area is the approximate unobstructed, clear or free opening through which air may move. The "gross area" is the total area of ventilator, louver, or grille and includes the net area as well as the solid material obstructing the flow of air. The relation between "net" and "gross" area for calculation purposes may be considered to be as set forth below:

Gross Ventilator Area = Net Area × Factor A	
Ventilator Covering	"A"
1. ¼ in. mesh hardware cloth	1
2. screening, 8 mesh to the in.	1¼
3. insect screen, 16 mesh to the in.	2
4. louvers and ¼ in. mesh hardware cloth	2
5. louvers and screening, 8 mesh to the in.	2¼
6. louvers and insect screen, 16 mesh to the in.	3

† A satisfactory sheathing paper or sheathing should be capable of passing 5 or more grains of water vapor per sq ft, per hr, per in. of mercury when tested by a dry method and should be resistant to wetting by free water and have satisfactory strength for handling and service.

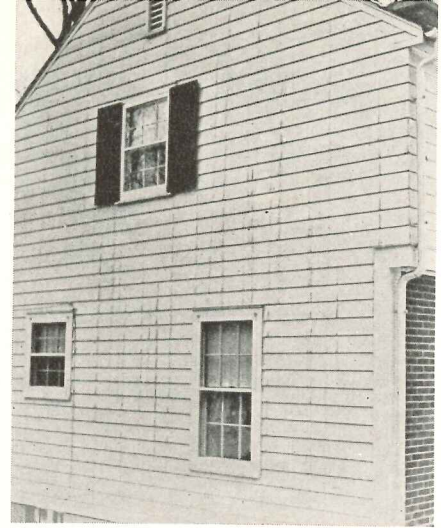


Fig. 3

Moisture condensing behind wood siding carried wood extractives over exterior surface, resulting in unsightly stains

**Crawl Space Ventilation.** If there is no other effective condensation control, and if the soil may be a large supplier of moisture to the crawl space, the total net amount of ventilation should be 2 sq ft per 100 lineal ft of building perimeter plus one-third of 1 per cent of the crawl space ground area.

Good practice in condensation control in crawl spaces includes the following:

1. At least four ventilating openings, with one near each corner of the building.
2. The openings should be placed as high as possible in the walls of the crawl spaces.
3. When the ventilation is the only means of condensation control, the ventilator should not be closed during any time of the year.
4. When ventilation serves as condensation control, insulation may be required in the floor and around exposed mechanical lines for comfort and to prevent deterioration.

**Ground Cover.** Where it is not practical to allow a free sweep of cold air below a dwelling floor, condensation in crawl spaces can be controlled by covering the ground with a vapor-resistant, durable material. A good water-proofed concrete slab or heavy roll roofing has been found effective. A roll roofing, either mineral surfaced or plain, weighing at least 55 lb per 100 sq ft, laid with 2-in. lapped joints over a rough-graded surface, should serve satisfactorily for many years. Generally, the lap joints need no cementing material.

Where a good cover is applied over the entire surface of the ground in the crawl space, very little ventilation is



Fig. 4

Map divides country into three zones so that recommended condensation control practices can be established for different outside design temperatures. Zone I roughly includes temperatures  $-20\text{ F}$  and colder; Zone II,  $0$  to  $-10\text{ F}$ ; Zone III warmer than  $0\text{ F}$

needed. However, to be on the safe side, it is recommended that at least 10 per cent of the ventilation indicated by the two plus one-third formula (See "Ventilation") be provided.

**Walls.** It is recommended that where the walls contain materials adversely affected by moisture or by freezing in the presence of moisture, an effective vapor barrier be provided on the warm side of the wall under the following conditions:

1. When the wall is insulated so that

the overall heat transmission coefficient ("U") is numerically lower than 0.25 Btu per hr, per sq ft, per degree Fahrenheit. This applies to dwelling construction erected in any of the three condensation zones shown on the map.

2. When the wall has siding, sheathing, or sheathing paper or any other material on the cold side of the wall which, as applied, has a water vapor permeability of less than 5 grains per hr, per sq ft, per 1 in. of mercury pressure differ-

ential, and the dwelling is located in Condensation Zones I or II.

**Lofts or Attics.** In many instances, ventilation has been counted on in the past for condensation control in lofts, attics, etc. Ventilation will still perform satisfactorily if effectively installed; this requires (1) an adequate amount, (2) proper location, (3) continuous operation, and (4) circulation through all spaces to be ventilated.

The table on this page sets forth recommended good practice for the usual conditions encountered in dwelling construction.

For flat roofs, ventilation at the eave lines only is not effective in itself. Vapor barriers are definitely recommended in addition to ventilation in all zones.

For roof construction where the ventilation is advantageously placed high in the gable ends, vapor barriers are not absolutely necessary except in the severe Condensation Zone I. A vapor barrier was omitted as a positive recommendation in Condensation Zone II and III because of costs.

Net amounts of ventilation in the table are given in fractions, thus:  $1/300$  or  $1/600$ . They apply to the area of the building or part thereof at the eave line.

Recommended good practice — loft and attic ventilation <sup>1</sup>			
Type of roof and occupancy	Condensation zone		
	I	II	III
(a) Flat roof — Slope less than 3 inches in 12 inches. No occupancy contemplated.	Total net area of ventilation should be $1/300\text{th}^2$ distributed uniformly at the eaves <i>plus</i> a vapor barrier in the top story ceiling. Free circulation must be provided through all spaces.	Same as for zone I.	Same as for zone I.
(b) Gable roof — Slope over 3 inches in 12 inches. No occupancy contemplated.	Total net area of at least 2 louvers on opposite sides located near the ridge to be $1/300\text{th}^2$ <i>plus</i> a vapor barrier in the top story ceiling.	Same ventilation as for zone I. A vapor barrier is not considered necessary.	Same as for zone II.
(c) Hip roof — No occupancy contemplated.	Total net area of ventilation should be $1/300\text{th}^2$ with $1/600\text{th}^2$ distributed uniformly at the eaves <i>and</i> $1/600\text{th}^2$ located at the ridge with all spaces interconnected. A vapor barrier should also be used in the top story ceiling.	Same ventilation as for zone I. A vapor barrier is not considered necessary.	Same as for zone II.
(d) Gable or hip roof — With occupancy contemplated.	Total net area of ventilation should be $1/300\text{th}^2$ with $1/600\text{th}^2$ distributed uniformly at the eaves <i>and</i> $1/600\text{th}^2$ located at the ridge with all spaces interconnected. A vapor barrier should also be used on the warm side of the top full story ceiling, the dwarf walls, the sloping part of the roof, and the attic story ceiling.	Same as for zone I.	Same as for zone I except that a vapor barrier is not considered necessary if insulation is omitted.

<sup>1</sup> It is recognized that in many areas increased ventilation may be desirable for summer comfort.

<sup>2</sup> Refers to area enclosed within the building lines at the eave level.



## MOUNTAIN INN

### BUILT WITH PLASTICS

TERMED the "first truly representative architectural model for plastic materials," the Sky Line Inn atop Mt. Equinox in Vermont was fittingly dedicated at a recent meeting of the Society of the Plastics Industry, New England Section. Built by Dr. J. G. Davidson, an executive of one of the member companies, the inn when complete will consist of some 40 rooms.

Applications of plastics, both apparent and hidden, exist virtually from foundation to roof. The exterior was painted with a synthetic resin base paint. Both interior and exterior walls are phenolic resin-bonded plywood, and, between walls, plastics exist in the form of glass fiber mat insulation bonded with phenolic resins.

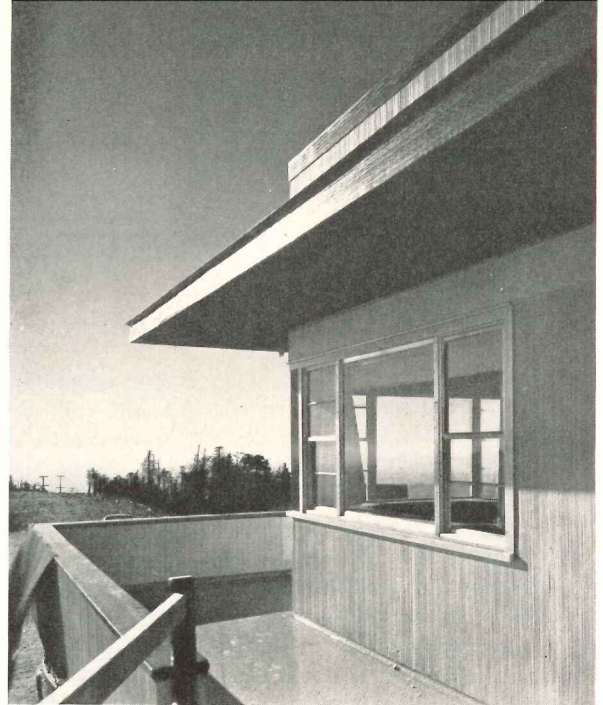
All rooms are heated by electric radiant panels consisting of conductive rubber sheets sandwiched between laminate insulating layers.

A remote control wiring system employs vinyl wire insulation for high dielectric and mechanical strength.

Sub-flooring is  $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. plywood bonded with synthetic resins to prevent buckling and warping. All finished flooring except for carpeted bedrooms is vinyl plastic floor tile.

There are wall coverings of plastic sheeting, and vinyl wall tile is featured in the bathrooms. Decorative laminates and sheeting are used for table tops, corner seats and chair upholstery. Draperies woven of glass are impregnated with plastic resins.

The Sky Line Inn presents thorough evidence of how proper use of modern plastic materials can open up new design possibilities along with high standards of economic service.



Photos courtesy Bakelite Corp.

*Above: plastic-bonded plywood, finished with synthetic resin paint, covers the exterior of Sky Line Inn. Below: plastics evident in the furnishings of the dining room and bar — table tops, chair and seat coverings, bar counter (bar front is tufted plastic), curtains and vinyl flooring*



### HEATING SYSTEMS FOR HOUSES

#### Cast Iron Baseboard Heating Systems: I

#### Comparison With Other Systems

Baseboards distribute heat better than standing radiators and are less conspicuous. Properly installed, there is less wall streaking because of the top seal strip and non-concentrated convection currents. Lower parts of rooms are warmer, as shown in Charts A and B, making it most adaptable to basementless construction. Response to starting and shutting off is quicker with baseboards than with radiant heating.

#### Heating Medium

Hot water forced circulation is the

most adaptable heat source for baseboards and can be used in any of the three circuits sketched. Operation is like any hot water system using conventional radiation and operation cost is about the same. If there is a minimum wall space for base, heat losses can be cut by further insulation, double glazing, etc.

#### Adaptability to Old Buildings

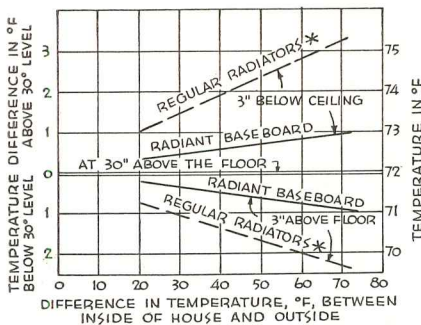
Baseboards can be used in conversion jobs where gravity hot water systems are in use. Two pipe steam systems in larger buildings can be used with baseboards, but in one-pipe systems, the long run of condensing radiation makes it almost

impossible to get the condensate out the same end as the steam enters.

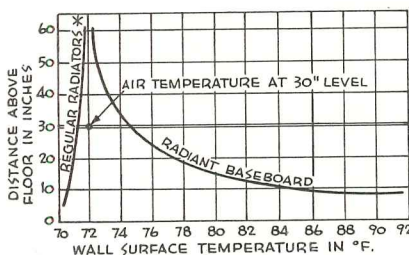
#### Steps in Design

1. *Determine Heat Loss.* The usual calculations for hourly heat loss in BTU should be completed and recorded for each room in the sketch.

2. *Select Baseboards And/Or Radiators.* The order of preference for baseboard location is a) under windows, b) on outside walls, c) on inside walls. As a trial length, outside walls are measured and recorded in each room. Heat loss of the room per ft of baseboard should be computed. The max required output (515 BTU per ft in the living room) sets the water



**A Chart A.** Room air temperature at various levels: at 70 deg inside to outside temp., a difference of 2 deg between floor and ceiling is shown for baseboards against almost 6 deg for radiators. \*Small tube recessed radiators



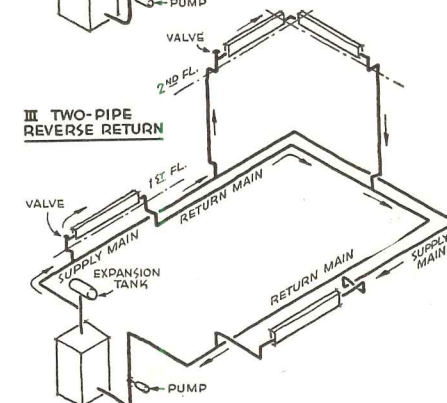
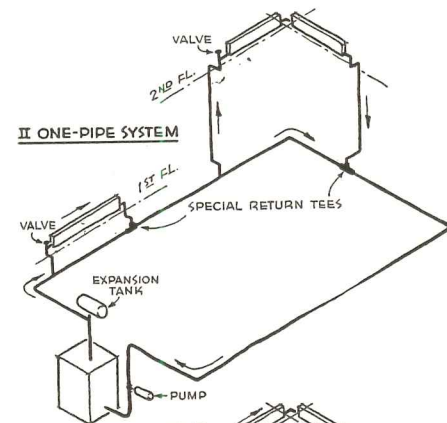
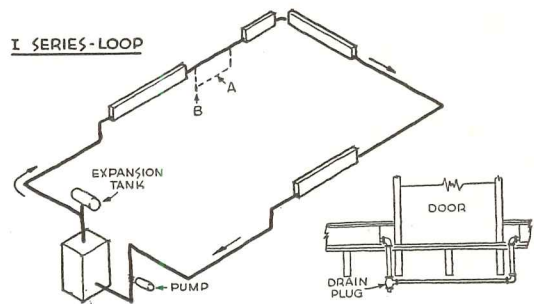
**B Chart B.** Radiant baseboard keeps lower walls warmer, overcomes cold floors. Overall mean radiant temp. is not higher with baseboards because radiators produce a hot ceiling. Studies made when temp. indoors at 30 in. level was 72 deg, outdoors 32 deg

#### Circuits and Piping (Right)

I. Least expensive to install. Adequate heat but no individual control of units. If pipes drop to avoid doorways as at point A, drainage must be provided at point B.

II. Most popular for small and average size installations. Control of individual units by valves.

III. Best for large installations. Each base element controlled separately and receives water at max. temp. directly from supply main



Note: Charts A and B from University of Illinois Bulletin No. 358 — A Study of Radiant Baseboard Heating.

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### Cast Iron Baseboard Heating Systems: 2 — Types of Heaters

temperature which must be used throughout the system. In this case 200 F (the max recommended by some manufacturers) is chosen as the average water temperature and results in base lengths which fit the space. Base of the desired height and type may be selected from Tables 5-8 to make up heat losses. Cast iron radiators may be used with cast iron baseboards. Table 3 gives a heat emission of 210 BTU per hr for 1 sq ft of radiation at 200 F. Dividing the loss in the kitchen and bathroom by this rate (there is not room in these spaces for baseboard) we find that 26.7 and 10.9 sq ft respectively are needed. From Table 4 radiators may be selected to make up this footage. It is necessary in selecting baseboard lengths to leave space for expansion, piping and end cover boxes for valves.

3. *Select Boiler.* A boiler with a net rating of 45,000 BTU per hr will be adequate for this system. Boilers are made large enough to supply the pick up, pipe loss and domestic hot water needs, unless these are unusual.

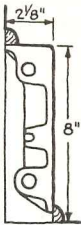
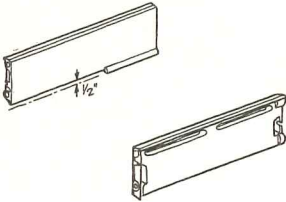

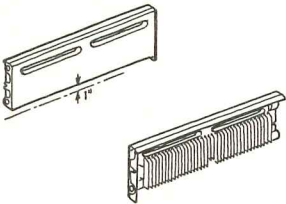
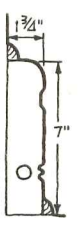
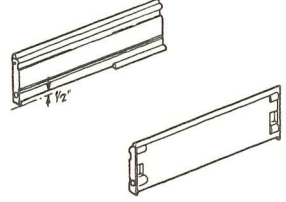
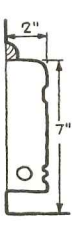
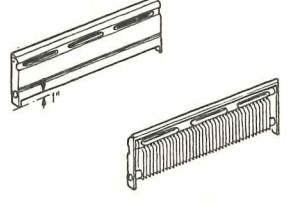
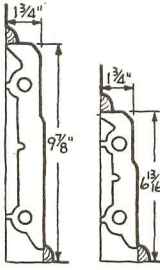
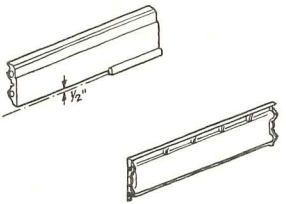
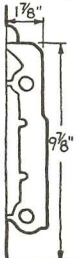
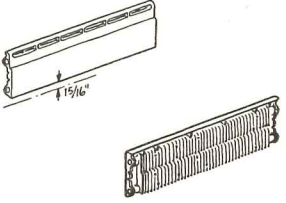
4. *Select Air Cushion Tank.* To facilitate expansion in the system, allow 1 gal of tank volume for each 30 sq ft of radiation. Dividing 222.9 sq ft by 30, the min volume usable is 7.4 and the next larger stock size tank will be selected.

5. *Select Pump Size.* Tables used are based on a temperature drop in the system of 20 F. Since this is the drop we have chosen, use Table 9 to select a pump size. Since our heat loss is below 50,000 BTU per hr, a 1 in. standard pump is acceptable. The head developed by the pump in supplying water to make up the heat loss at the given temperature drop may be found from Table 10. For a 1 in. pump and nearly 50,000 BTU per hr, the head will be about 5.25 ft.

6. *Determine Main Size.* In determining the length of the system it is usual to allow 12 ft for each heating element in addition to the measured length of the main. The total of these

I-B-R means Institute of Boiler and Radiator Mfrs. Col. 4 in table gives manufacturers' ratings.

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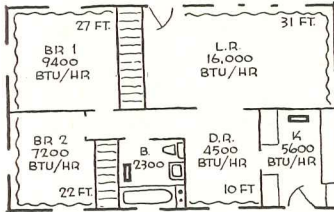
MFR. TYPE & I-B-R RATING	Table I - BASEBOARD HEATER UNITS			SQ. FT./FT. RATING
	DIMENSIONS	FRONT VIEWS	BACK	
AMERICAN RADIATOR  R  LOW 1.25				1.25
AMERICAN RADIATOR  RC  LOW 2.08				2.08
BURNHAM  R  LOW 1.25				1.25
BURNHAM  RC  LOW 2.08				2.08
CRANE  R HIGH 1.77  LOW 1.25				HIGH 1.77  LOW 1.25
CRANE  RC  HIGH 2.92				2.92

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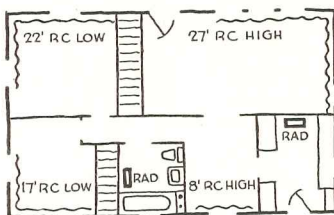
#### Cast Iron Baseboard Heating Systems: 3 — Design

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DATA, SKETCH 1

Heat loss and outside wall length

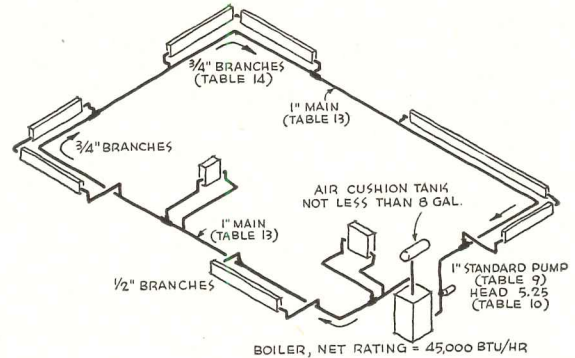


DESIGN, SKETCH 2

Length and type of baseboard

Temp. drop of water in system 20°  
Length of System:

Measured length of main 130  
Radiator allowance  
(6 heating elements x 12) 72  
(Use 200' in Table 11) 202



DESIGN OF A RADIANT BASEBOARD HEATING SYSTEM USING ONE-PIPE FORCED HOT WATER

Table 2

DATA, SKETCH 1				DESIGN, SKETCH 2		
1 SPACE	2 BTU/HR HEAT LOSS	3 LINEAR FT. OF EXTERIOR WALL AVAILABLE	4 BTU/LIN. FT. OF EXTERIOR WALL	5 TYPE AND HT. OF BASEB'D SELECTED	6 LENGTH OF BASE TO BE USED	7 SQ. FT. OF RADIATION
L.R.	16,000	31	515	RC HIGH	27'	78.8
D.R.	4,500	10	450	RC HIGH	8'	23.3
K.	5,600	NONE, USE RADIATOR	—	RADIATOR	22'-4T-16SEC	28.8
BR 1	9,400	27	347	RC LOW	22'	45.8
BR 2	7,200	22	327	RC LOW	17'	35.4
BATH	2,300	NONE, USE RADIATOR	—	RADIATOR	22'-4T-6SEC	10.8
TOTALS	45,000					222.9

for the example given is 202 ft. Using this length and the head of 5.25 ft enter Table 11 and find that 1 in. is the right size for a main that will supply the BTU's required.

7. Determine Branch Sizes. Using the lengths of the baseboards in each room, it is found from Table 12 that branches are to be 1/2 and 3/4 in. as recorded on the final piping diagram. Size of branches for small-tube cast iron radiation as used in the kitchen and bath is found from Table I, Sec-

tion B, ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, Nov. 1949, p. 157. Using the total heat loss of 45,000 BTU per hr and main size of 1 in., 1/2 in. branch size is satisfactory for each of the radiators.

#### References

For larger jobs, the reader is referred to: IBR Installation Guide No. 5, *Baseboard Heating Systems* of the Institute of Boiler and Radiator Mfgs. (60 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y.,

50 cents) through whose courtesy the tables have been partially reproduced here; *A Study of Radiant Baseboard Heating in the IBR Research Home* by Alonzo P. Kratz and Warren S. Harris, Engineering Experiment Station Bulletin Series No. 358, Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, Ill., 35 cents; *Heating a Basementless House With Radiant Baseboard* by R. H. Weigel and W. S. Harris, article in *Heating Piping and Air Conditioning*, Nov., 1948.

Table 3 — HEAT EMISSION RATES

AVERAGE RADIATOR TEMPERATURE	BTU/HR PER SQ FT
170.....	150
175.....	160
180.....	170
185.....	180
190.....	190
195.....	200
200.....	210
205.....	220
210.....	230
215.....	240

Table 4 — SMALL TUBE CAST IRON RADIATORS

NO. OF SQ FT OF CAST IRON RADIATION PER SECTION (STANDARD SPACING 1 3/4")		
NO. OF TUBES PER SECTION	HEIGHT	SQ FT OF RADIATION PER SECTION
3	25	1.6
	19	1.6
	22	1.8
4	25	2.0
	22	2.1
5	25	2.4
	19	2.3
6	25	3.0
	32	3.7



## HEATING SYSTEMS FOR HOUSES

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**Cast Iron Baseboard Heating Systems: 4 — Baseboard Rating Tables**

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**Table 5 — TYPE R — LOW HEIGHT**

Length of Assembly Ft	Rating Sq Ft*	Rating, Btu/Hr., at Various Average Water Temperatures									
		215 F	210 F	205 F	200 F	195 F	190 F	185 F	180 F	175 F	170 F
2	2.5	600	570	520	510	490	460	440	410	390	360
3	3.75	900	850	810	770	730	690	660	620	580	550
4	5.0	1200	1140	1080	1030	980	920	870	820	770	730
5	6.25	1500	1420	1360	1290	1220	1160	1090	1030	970	910
6	7.5	1800	1710	1630	1540	1470	1390	1310	1240	1160	1090
7	8.75	2100	1990	1900	1800	1710	1620	1530	1440	1360	1280
8	10.0	2400	2280	2170	2060	1960	1850	1750	1650	1550	1460
9	11.25	2700	2560	2440	2320	2200	2080	1970	1860	1740	1640
10	12.5	3000	2850	2710	2570	2450	2310	2190	2060	1940	1820
11	13.75	3300	3130	2980	2830	2690	2540	2410	2270	2130	2010
12	15.0	3600	3420	3250	3090	2940	2770	2620	2470	2320	2190
13	16.25	3900	3700	3530	3350	3180	3010	2840	2680	2520	2370
14	17.5	4200	3990	3800	3600	3430	3240	3060	2890	2710	2550
15	18.75	4500	4270	4070	3860	3670	3470	3280	3090	2910	2740
16	20.0	4800	4560	4340	4120	3920	3700	3500	3300	3100	2920
17	21.25	5100	4840	4610	4380	4160	3930	3720	3510	3290	3100
18	22.5	5400	5130	4880	4630	4410	4160	3940	3710	3490	3280
19	23.75	5700	5410	5150	4890	4650	4390	4160	3920	3680	3470
20	25.0	6000	5700	5420	5150	4900	4620	4370	4120	3870	3650
21	26.25	6300	5980	5700	5410	5140	4860	4590	4330	4070	3830
22	27.5	6600	6270	5970	5660	5390	5090	4810	4540	4260	4010
23	28.75	6900	6550	6240	5920	5630	5320	5030	4740	4460	4200
24	30.0	7200	6840	6510	6180	5880	5550	5250	4950	4650	4380
25	31.25	7500	7120	6780	6440	6120	5780	5470	5160	4840	4560
26	32.5	7800	7410	7050	6690	6370	6010	5690	5360	5040	4740
27	33.75	8100	7690	7320	6950	6610	6240	5910	5570	5230	4930
28	35.0	8400	7980	7590	7210	6860	6470	6120	5770	5420	5110
29	36.25	8700	8260	7870	7470	7100	6710	6340	5980	5620	5290
30	37.5	9000	8550	8140	7720	7350	6940	6560	6190	5810	5470

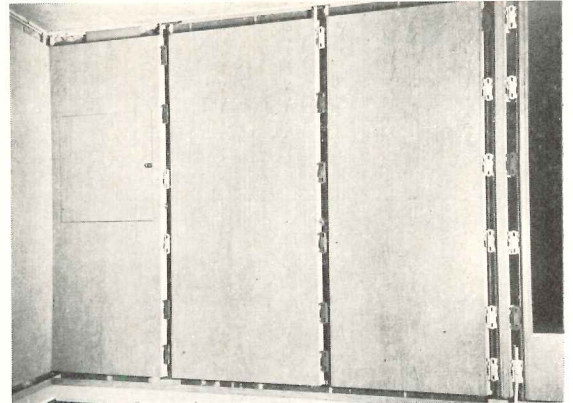
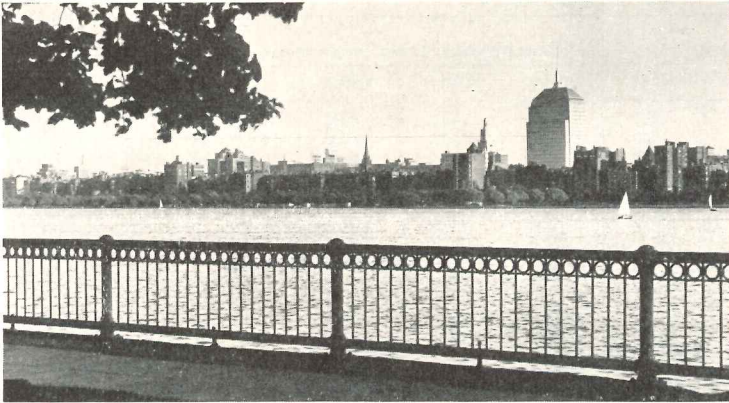
**Table 6 — TYPE R — HIGH HEIGHT**

Length of Assembly Ft	Rating Sq Ft*	Rating, Btu/Hr., at Various Average Water Temperatures									
		215 F	210 F	205 F	200 F	195 F	190 F	185 F	180 F	175 F	170 F
2	3.5	850	810	770	730	690	650	620	580	550	520
3	5.3	1270	1210	1150	1090	1040	980	930	870	820	770
4	7.1	1700	1610	1540	1460	1390	1310	1240	1170	1100	1030
5	8.8	2120	2010	1920	1820	1730	1630	1550	1460	1370	1290
6	10.6	2550	2420	2310	2190	2080	1970	1860	1750	1650	1550
7	12.4	2970	2820	2680	2550	2420	2290	2170	2040	1920	1810
8	14.2	3400	3230	3070	2920	2780	2620	2480	2340	2200	2070
9	15.9	3820	3630	3450	3280	3120	2940	2780	2630	2470	2320
10	17.7	4250	4040	3840	3650	3470	3280	3100	2920	2740	2580
11	19.5	4670	4440	4220	4010	3810	3600	3400	3210	3020	2840
12	21.25	5100	4840	4610	4380	4160	3930	3720	3510	3290	3100
13	23.0	5520	5240	4990	4740	4510	4250	4020	3790	3560	3360
14	24.8	5950	5650	5380	5110	4860	4590	4340	4090	3840	3620
15	26.5	6370	6050	5760	5470	5200	4910	4640	4380	4110	3870
16	28.3	6800	6460	6150	5840	5550	5240	4960	4670	4390	4140
17	30.1	7220	6860	6530	6200	5900	5560	5260	4960	4660	4390
18	31.9	7650	7270	6920	6570	6250	5900	5580	5260	4940	4650
19	33.6	8070	7670	7300	6930	6590	6220	5880	5550	5210	4910
20	35.4	8500	8070	7680	7300	6940	6550	6200	5840	5490	5170
21	37.2	8920	8470	8060	7660	7280	6880	6500	6130	5760	5430
22	39.0	9350	8880	8450	8020	7640	7210	6820	6430	6040	5690
23	40.7	9770	9280	8830	8390	8000	7530	7120	6720	6310	5940
24	42.5	10200	9690	9220	8750	8330	7860	7440	7010	6590	6200
25	44.25	10620	10090	9600	9110	8670	8190	7740	7300	6860	6460
26	46.0	11050	10500	9990	9480	9020	8520	8060	7600	7140	6720
27	47.8	11470	10900	10370	9840	9370	8840	8360	7890	7410	6980
28	49.6	11900	11300	10760	10210	9720	9170	8680	8180	7690	7240
29	51.3	12320	11700	11140	10570	10060	9500	8980	8470	7960	7490
30	53.1	12750	12110	11530	10940	10400	9830	9300	8770	8230	7760

\*Based on the common standard emission rate of 240 Btu per hour per sq ft at 215 F.

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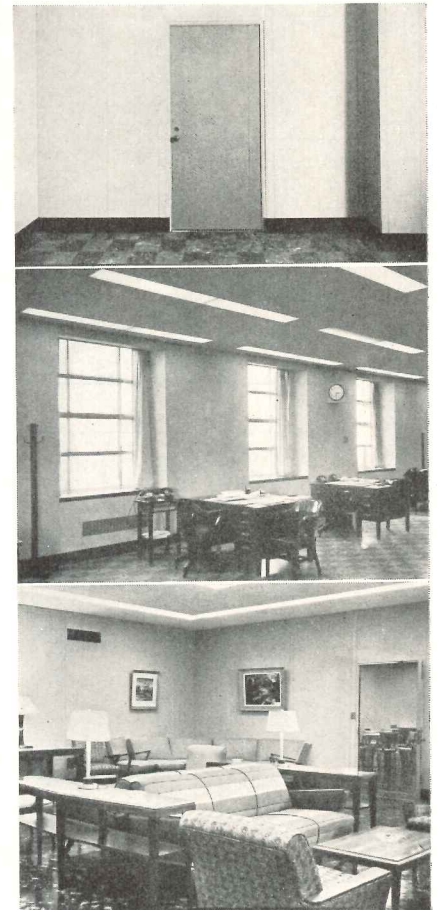
### MILES OF RE-USABLE METAL PARTITIONING TO REDUCE COSTS IN JOHN HANCOCK

Throughout the John Hancock Building, as stated in the November 1949 ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, full performance and easy maintenance were paramount design criteria. In a building containing, as this one does, over 630,000 sq ft of office space, ease in rearranging office partitions is fundamental. To keep maintenance costs down, even the interior surfacing of exterior walls is preferably easily demounted, so that wiring, controls, and heating and air conditioning ducts can be reached quickly; all interior surfaces have to be easy to clean.

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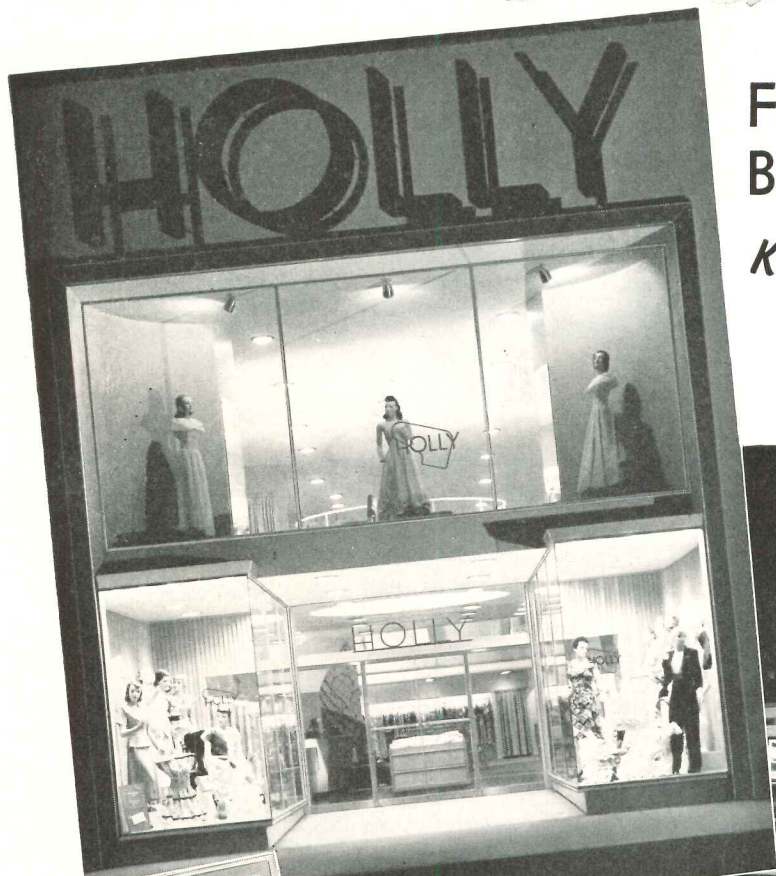
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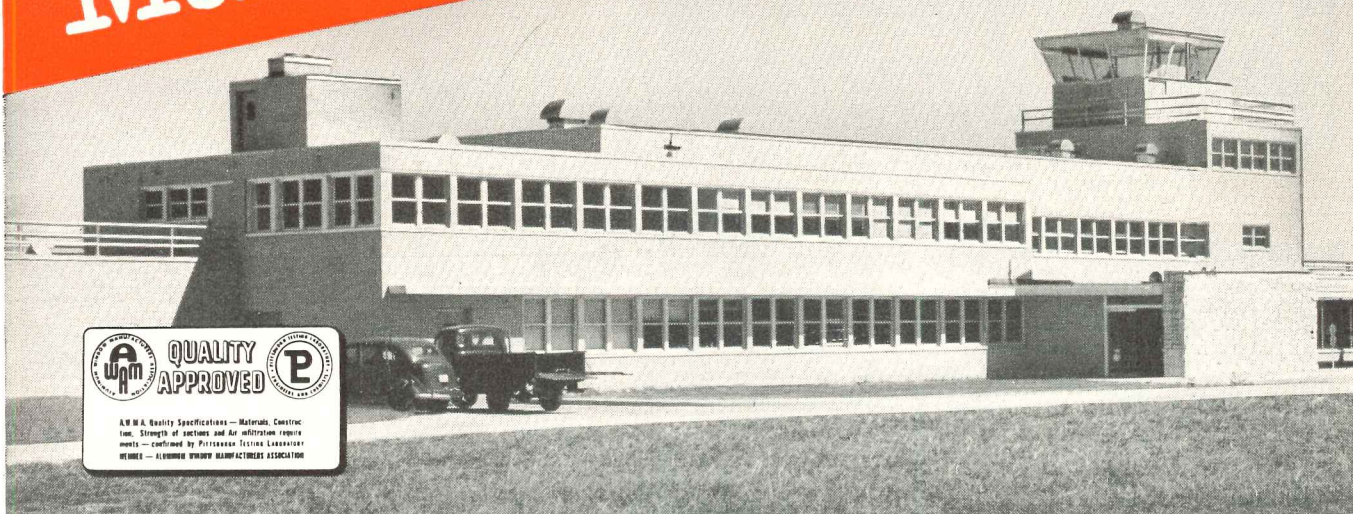
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## HEATING SYSTEMS FOR HOUSES

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Cast Iron Baseboard Heating Systems: 5 — Baseboard Rating Tables Continued

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**Table 7 — TYPE RC — LOW HEIGHT**

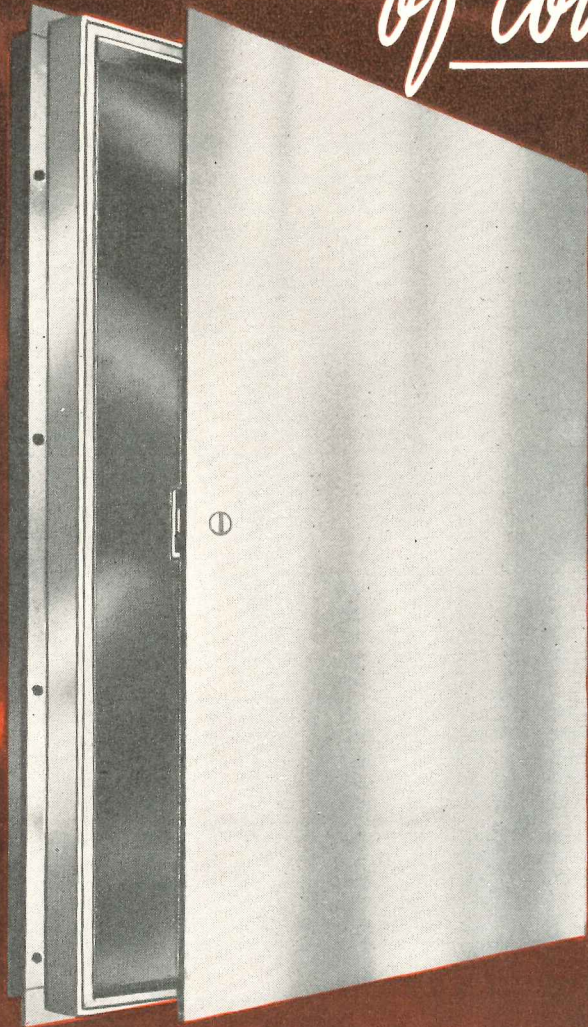
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		215 F	210 F	205 F	200 F	195 F	190 F	185 F	180 F	175 F	170 F
2	4.2	1000	950	900	860	820	770	730	690	650	610
3	6.25	1500	1420	1360	1290	1220	1160	1090	1030	970	910
4	8.3	2000	1900	1810	1720	1630	1540	1460	1370	1290	1220
5	10.4	2500	2370	2260	2150	2040	1930	1820	1720	1610	1520
6	12.5	3000	2850	2710	2570	2450	2310	2190	2060	1940	1820
7	14.6	3500	3320	3160	3000	2860	2700	2550	2410	2260	2130
8	16.7	4000	3800	3620	3430	3270	3080	2920	2750	2580	2430
9	18.75	4500	4270	4070	3860	3670	3470	3280	3090	2910	2740
10	20.8	5000	4750	4520	4290	4080	3850	3650	3440	3230	3040
11	22.9	5500	5220	4970	4720	4490	4240	4010	3780	3550	3350
12	25.0	6000	5700	5420	5150	4900	4620	4370	4120	3870	3650
13	27.1	6500	6170	5880	5580	5310	5010	4740	4470	4200	3950
14	29.2	7000	6650	6330	6010	5720	5400	5100	4810	4520	4260
15	31.25	7500	7120	6780	6440	6120	5780	5470	5160	4840	4560
16	33.3	8000	7600	7230	6870	6530	6170	5830	5500	5170	4870
17	35.4	8500	8070	7680	7300	6940	6550	6200	5840	5490	5170
18	37.5	9000	8550	8140	7720	7350	6940	6560	6190	5810	5470
19	39.6	9500	9020	8590	8150	7760	7320	6930	6530	6130	5780
20	41.7	10000	9500	9040	8580	8170	7710	7290	6870	6460	6080
21	43.75	10500	9970	9490	9010	8570	8090	7660	7220	6780	6390
22	45.8	11000	10450	9950	9440	8980	8480	8020	7560	7100	6690
23	47.9	11500	10920	10400	9870	9390	8860	8380	7910	7430	7000
24	50.0	12000	11400	10850	10300	9800	9250	8750	8250	7750	7300
25	52.1	12500	11870	11300	10730	10210	9630	9110	8590	8070	7600
26	54.2	13000	12350	11750	11160	10620	10020	9480	8940	8400	7910
27	56.25	13500	12820	12210	11590	11020	10410	9840	9280	8720	8210
28	58.3	14000	13300	12660	12020	11430	10790	10210	9620	9040	8520
29	60.4	14500	13770	13110	12440	11840	11180	10570	9970	9360	8820
30	62.5	15000	14250	13560	12870	12250	11560	10940	10310	9690	9120

**Table 8 — TYPE RC — HIGH HEIGHT**

Length of Assembly Ft	Rating Sq Ft*	Rating, Btu/Hr, at Various Average Water Temperatures									
		215 F	210 F	205 F	200 F	195 F	190 F	185 F	180 F	175 F	170 F
2	5.8	1400	1330	1200	1210	1140	1080	1020	960	900	850
3	8.75	2100	1990	1900	1800	1710	1620	1530	1440	1360	1280
4	11.7	2800	2660	2530	2400	2290	2160	2040	1920	1810	1700
5	14.6	3500	3320	3160	3000	2860	2700	2550	2410	2260	2130
6	17.5	4200	3990	3800	3600	3430	3240	3060	2890	2710	2550
7	20.4	4900	4650	4430	4210	4000	3780	3570	3370	3160	2980
8	23.3	5600	5320	5060	4810	4570	4320	4080	3850	3620	3410
9	26.25	6300	5980	5700	5410	5140	4860	4590	4330	4070	3830
10	29.2	7000	6650	6330	6010	5720	5400	5100	4810	4520	4260
11	32.1	7700	7310	6960	6610	6290	5930	5610	5290	4970	4680
12	35.0	8400	7980	7590	7210	6860	6470	6120	5770	5420	5110
13	37.9	9100	8640	8230	7810	7430	7010	6630	6260	5880	5540
14	40.8	9800	9310	8860	8410	8000	7550	7150	6740	6330	5960
15	43.75	10500	9970	9490	9010	8570	8090	7660	7220	6780	6390
16	46.7	11200	10640	10130	9610	9150	8630	8170	7700	7230	6810
17	49.6	11900	11300	10760	10210	9720	9170	8680	8180	7680	7240
18	52.5	12600	11970	11390	10810	10290	9710	9190	8660	8140	7660
19	55.4	13300	12630	12020	11420	10860	10250	9700	9140	8590	8090
20	58.3	14000	13300	12660	12020	11430	10790	10240	9620	9040	8520
21	61.25	14700	13960	13290	12620	12000	11330	10720	10110	9490	8940
22	64.2	15400	14630	13920	13220	12580	11870	11230	10590	9950	9370
23	67.1	16100	15290	14560	13820	13150	12410	11740	11070	10400	9790
24	70.0	16800	15960	15190	14420	13720	12950	12250	11550	10850	10220
25	72.9	17500	16620	15820	15020	14290	13490	12760	12030	11300	10650
26	75.8	18200	17290	16460	15620	14860	14030	13270	12510	11750	11070
27	78.75	18900	17950	17090	16220	15430	14570	13780	12990	12210	11500
28	81.7	19600	18620	17720	16820	16010	15110	14290	13470	12660	11920
29	84.6	20300	19280	18350	17420	16580	15650	14800	13960	13110	12350
30	87.5	21000	19950	18990	18020	17150	16190	15310	14440	13560	12770

\*Based on the common standard emission rate of 240 Btu/Hr per sq ft at 215 F.

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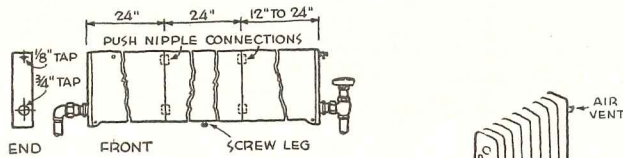
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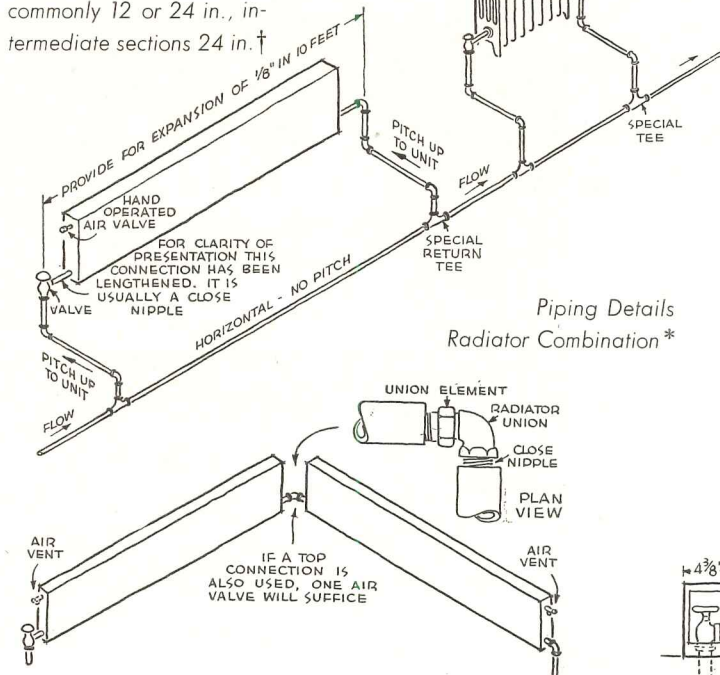
### Cast Iron Baseboard Heating Systems: 6 — Design Details

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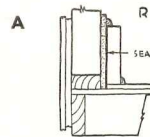
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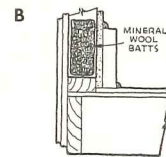
Length of end sections is commonly 12 or 24 in., intermediate sections 24 in. †



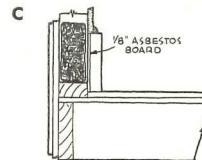
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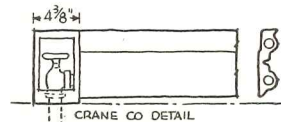
**A. Air Seal.** Building paper, aluminum foil or asbestos paper must be placed behind base heaters to prevent streaks on wall. It is turned down under top moulding



**B. Insulation.** Full insulation is advisable to reduce heat loss and shorten base length. Use of batts behind base is necessary



**C. Recessing.** Bulk of base may be reduced by recessing in amount of plaster thickness. Base must be backed by a 1/8 in. board



Valve enclosure lengths:

American Radiator—6<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> in.  
Burnham —5 in.  
Crane —4<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub> in.

Total Load on System Btu/Hr.	Standard Pump
Up to 50,000	1"
50,001 to 100,000	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "
100,001 to 150,000	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> "
Over 150,001	1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "

Total Load Btu/Hr.	PRESSURE HEAD IN FT. OF WATER		
	Standard Pump		
	1"	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> "
25,000	5.50	6.25	6.75
50,000	5.25	6.00	6.75
75,000	4.75	5.75	6.50
100,000	4.50	5.50	6.50
125,000	4.00	5.25	6.25

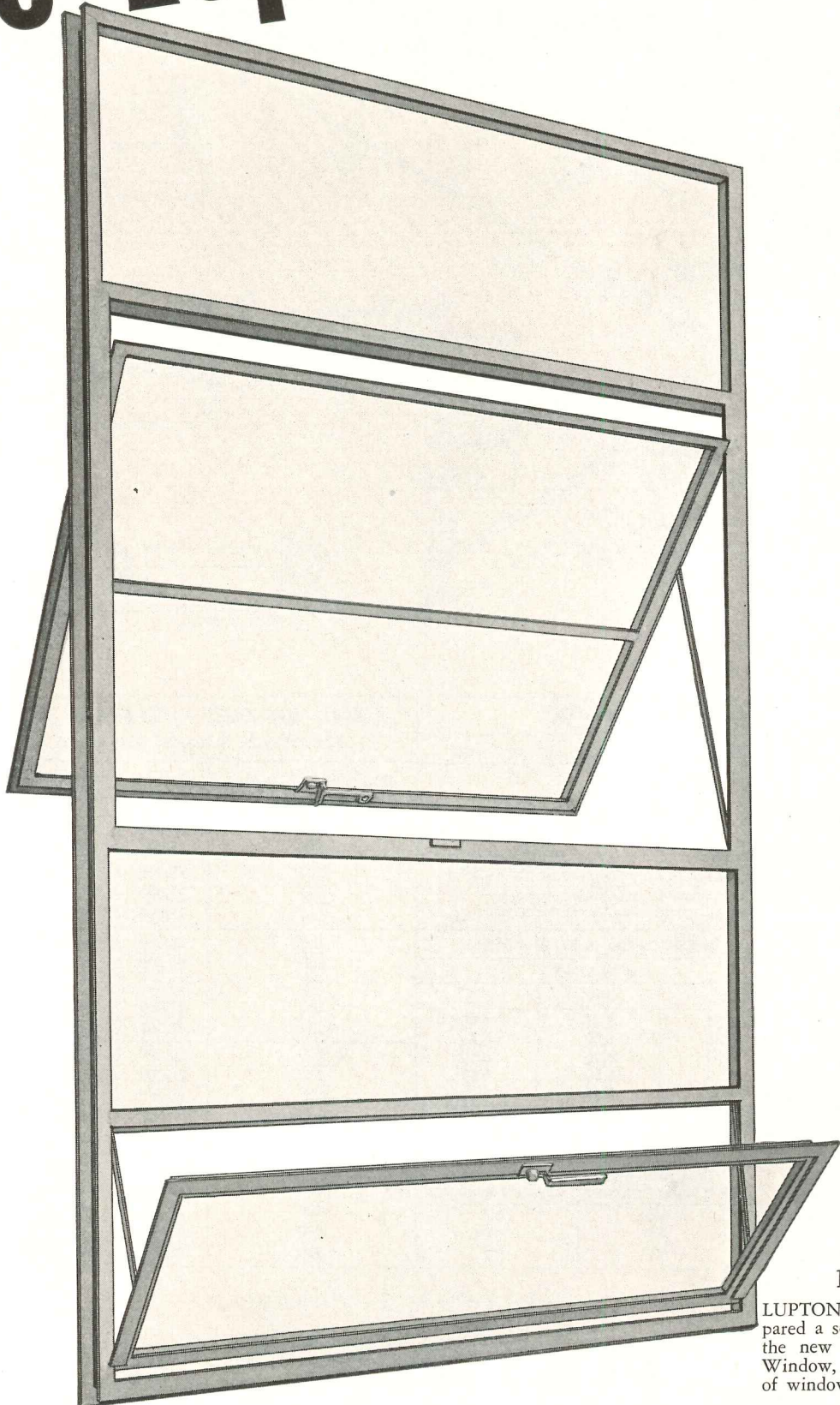
Location of Baseboard	If Baseboard is 10 ft. or less in Length	If Baseboard is Longer than 10 ft.*
1st Floor Below Main	3/4"	3/4"
1st Floor Above Main	1/2"	3/4"
2nd Floor Above Main	3/4"	3/4"

Measured Length plus radiator allowance, Ft.	Capacity in Btu/ Hr.			
	3/4" Pipe	1" Pipe	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> " Pipe	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> " Pipe
100	34,000	64,000	116,000	176,000
110	33,000	63,000	113,000	172,000
120	32,000	61,000	110,000	168,000
130	31,000	60,000	107,000	164,000
140	30,000	58,000	104,000	160,000
150	30,000	56,000	101,000	156,000
160	29,000	54,000	99,000	153,000
170	28,000	53,000	98,000	150,000
180	27,000	52,000	96,000	147,000
190	27,000	51,000	94,000	144,000
200	26,000	50,000	92,000	141,000
210	25,000	49,000	90,000	139,000
220	25,000	48,000	89,000	136,000
230	24,000	47,000	87,000	134,000
240	24,000	46,000	86,000	132,000
250	24,000	45,000	84,000	130,000
300	21,000	41,000	78,000	120,000
400	19,000	36,000	68,000	105,000
500	16,000	33,000	62,000	95,000
600	15,000	30,000	56,000	88,000

† It is recommended that not more than 40 lin ft. of baseboard be connected to the main with a single supply and return riser.

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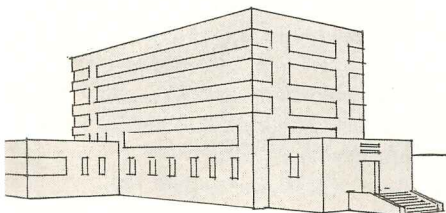
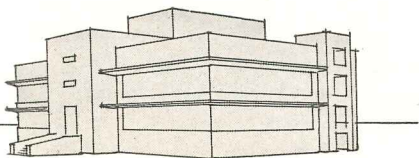
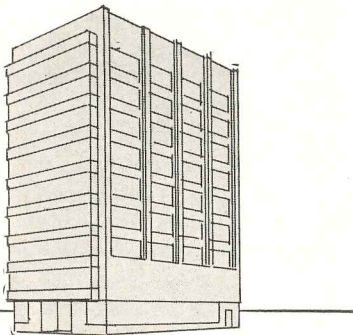
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(1) *Pyle-National Multi-Vent Low Velocity Air Diffusion;* (2) *A Multi-Vent Story.* The first folder lists construction qualities, application, selection and notes on use of the perforated metal diffusers. Design and dimension tables are included with cross section details of diffusers concealed in plastered, perforated metal acoustical tile and mineral acoustical tile ceilings. The second folder pictures six interiors employing the vent panels and gives operation features. 4 pp., 6 pp., illus. The Pyle-National Co., Multi-Vent Div., 1334 N. Kostner Ave., Chicago 51, Ill.\*

### Fire Doors

*St. Louis Doors.* Booklet describes metal clad and motor operated freight elevator doors, dumbwaiter doors and Alsteel fire doors. Construction, operation, material and workmanship are explained. Details are included for each of the door types, along with sketches, diagrams and specifications. 12 pp., illus. St. Louis Fire Door Co., 1134 S. 6th St., St. Louis 7, Mo.\*

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*Rulon Industrial Floorings and Acid-proof Construction.* Presents floorings for industrial use including asphalt mastic, Mastipitch, Con-Duct (for use with inflammable processes), dampproof sub-flooring, and acidproof brick. Some waterproofing materials and protective coatings are also covered. Descriptions, details and specifications are given. 8 pp., illus. Ralph V. Rulon, Inc., 3900 N. 2nd St., Philadelphia 40, Pa.

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*Unistrut, the New Better Way to Hang Fluorescent Fixtures.* Bulletin pictures installation steps and the component parts and assemblies of the fixture

hanger. Information is included on the features and uses of the unit. Tables give sizes and recommended hanger rod spacing. 4 pp., illus. Unistrut Products Co., 1013 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago 7, Ill.

### Laminated Fiber Panels

*Directions for Application of Upson Strong-Bilt Panels in New Construction.* Booklet gives instructions and pictures

for the various steps in applying the panels. Separate sections are devoted to planning the job, ceilings, side-walls, moulding application, relief ornaments and decoration by painting or papering. Specifications and photographs of three interiors are included. The Upson Co., Lockport, N. Y.\*

### Termite Proofing

*Guarding Your Property Against Damage Like This (Bulletin T-49).* Tells how to protect wood from insect attack by chemical preservatives. Termite habits and signs of infestation are explained, and directions are given on how to prevent attack and how to save wood already infested. Pictures and drawings illustrate the methods in various types of construction. Powder-post beetles and dry wood termites and their control are also discussed. 6 pp., illus. Chapman Chemical Co., 770 Dermon Bldg., Memphis 3, Tenn.

### Metal Windows

*Lupton Metal Windows and Doors (1950 Catalog).* Incorporates specifications, details and data on steel and aluminum residence casements, casement doors, steel casings, basement and utility windows, architectural projected windows, pivoted and commercial projected windows, security windows, industrial doors, continuous windows and mechanical operators. Screens, window hardware and picture window frames are also included. 33 pp., illus. Michael Flynn Mfg. Co., 700 E. Godfrey Ave., Dept. B, Philadelphia 24, Penn.\*

### Copper Flashing

(1) *Revere-Keystone Interlocking Thru-Wall Flashing;* (2) *Revere-Simplex Reglet System For Flashing Spandrel Beams.* Folders present specifications and details of a new interlocking copper flashing system. Details cover flashing installations in parapets, lintels, water tables, foundation walls, sills, spandrels, columns and party walls. 8 pp., 6 pp., illus. Revere Copper and Brass Inc., 230 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y.\*

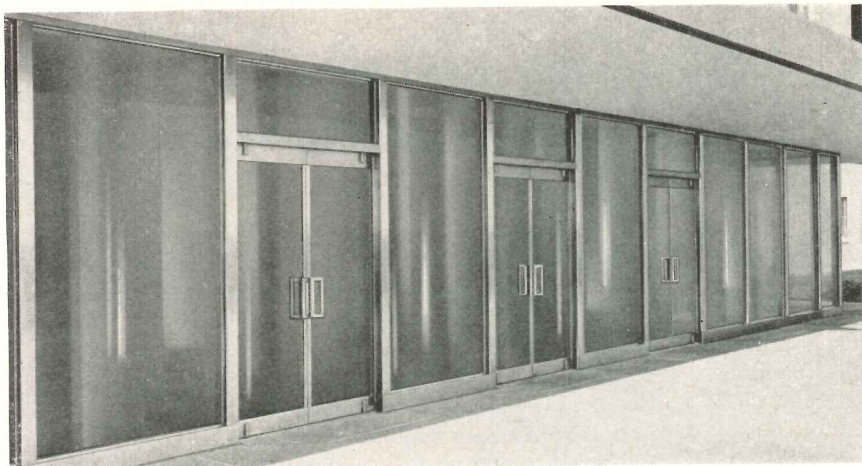
### Heating, Air Conditioning

*Hospital Heating and Air Conditioning Control Systems.* Describes specialized heating and air conditioning control requirements for hospitals. Discusses in non-technical terms the various atmospheric requirements of different hospital rooms and areas. Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co. % John Bergan, Minneapolis, Minn.

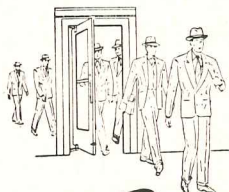
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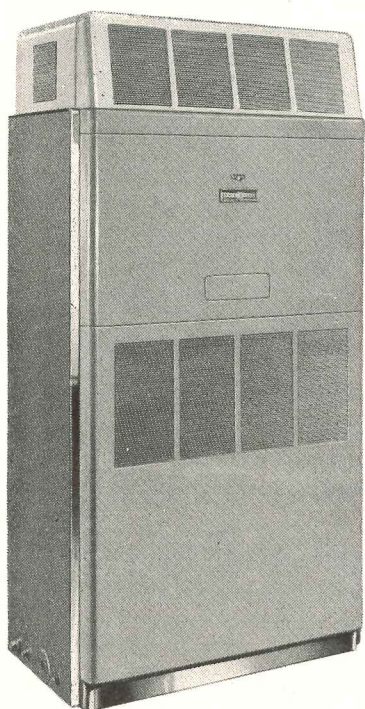
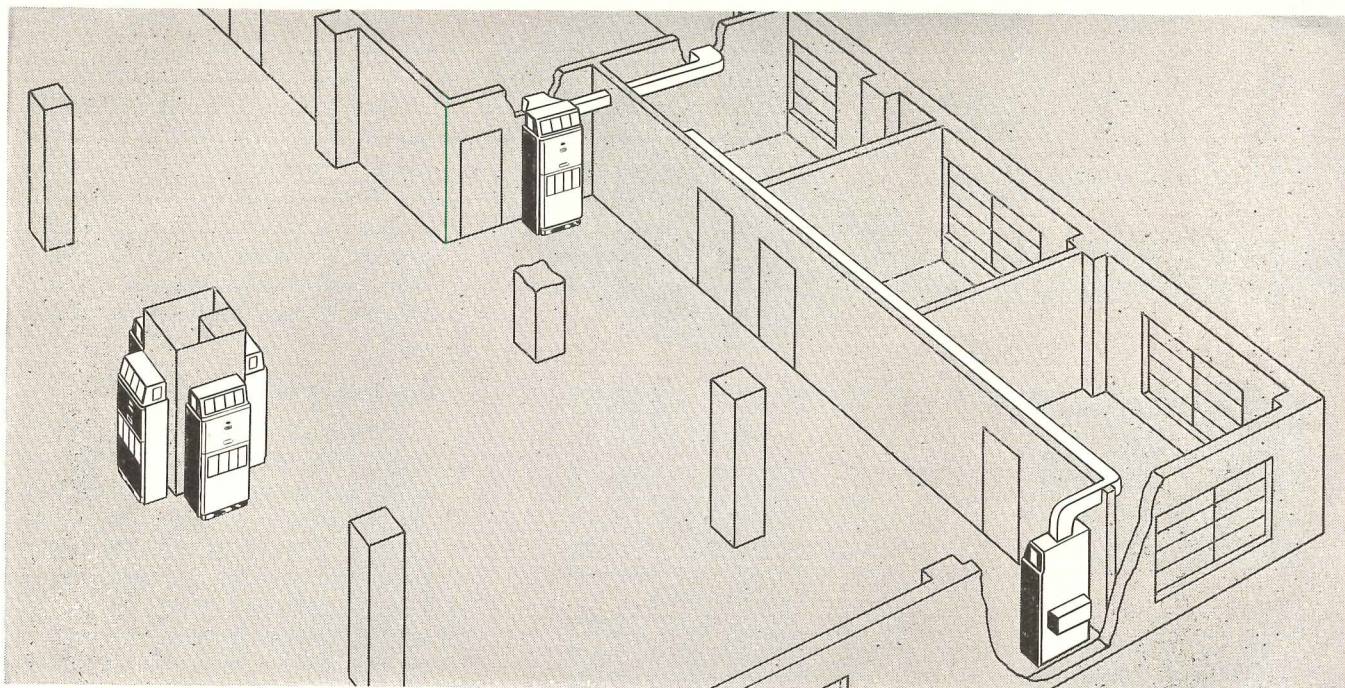
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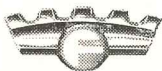
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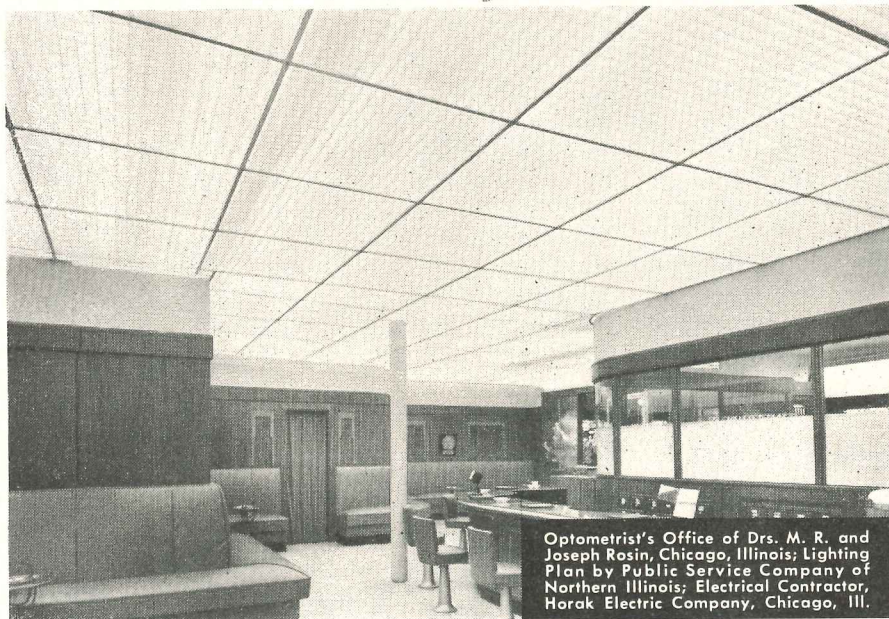
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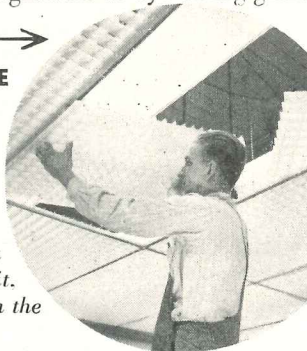
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**CANADA**  
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urban Weston, Toronto, Ont., by F. G. Engholm, president of the Macotta Co. of Canada, architect and owner.

Steel studs for exterior walls were made in prefabricated sections 10 ft long, packed with rock wool insulation.

Prefabricated roof trusses are wood, and sheathing is plywood, jointed with mastic and cotton membrane and covered with an asphaltic compound used for undercoating cars. Colored slate granules were blown on the compound, fusing with it to give an entirely unbroken surface.

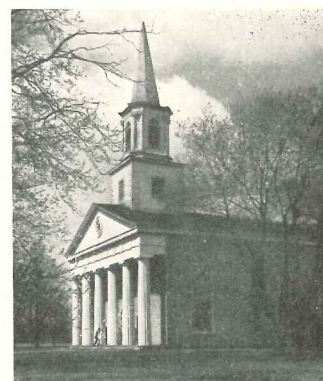
Radiant heating coils are laid in concrete slab floor; the attic houses an air conditioning unit.

**R. A. I. C. Plans Program**

Two seminars, one technical and one cultural, are among features of the program for the 43rd annual assembly of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, scheduled for February 23-25 in the Fort Garry Hotel, Winnipeg, Man.

Also featured will be a report by Robert F. Leggett, head of the Building Research Division of the National Research Council.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (architect unknown), Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont., is among the subjects of a 22-panel photographic exhibit, "The Pictorial Essay of a Pioneer Town," touring the Dominion



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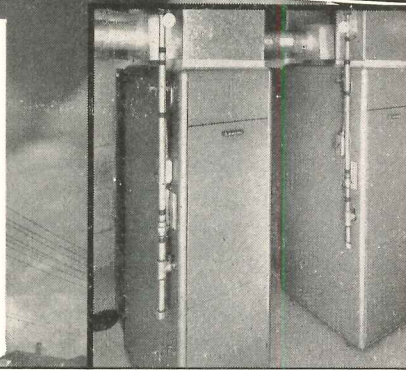
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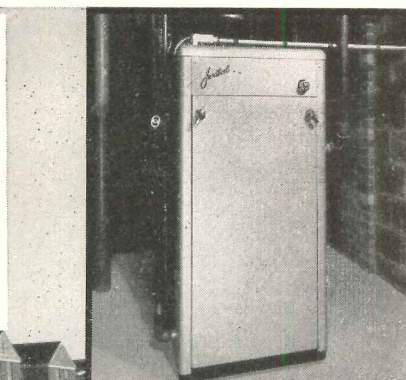
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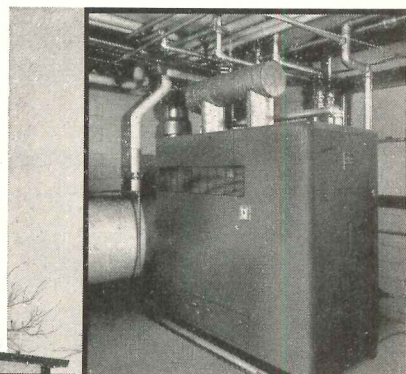
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Executive Vice President Frank W. Cortwright of Washington says the show will be "the most diversified we have ever attempted," and of immediate prac-

tical value to all builders there. E. M. Spiegel of Passaic, N. J. is chairman of the convention committee.

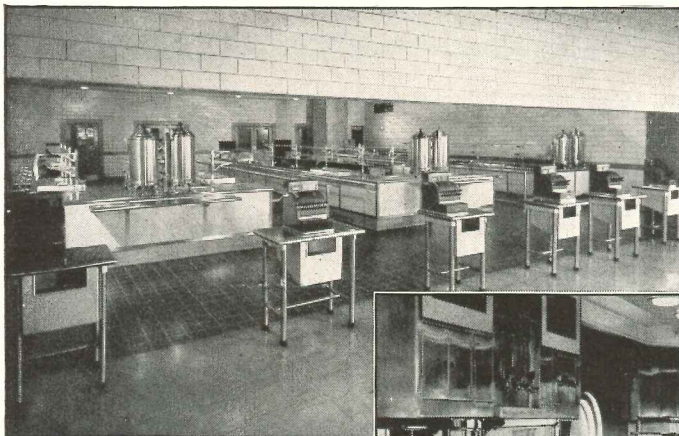
**Competition Winners**

Two students of the School of Architecture at Penn State College won first and second prizes in the Class B Problem I competition for design of a two-bedroom house conducted by the Beaux-Arts Institute of Design for the Archi-

tectural Record Prize awarded annually.

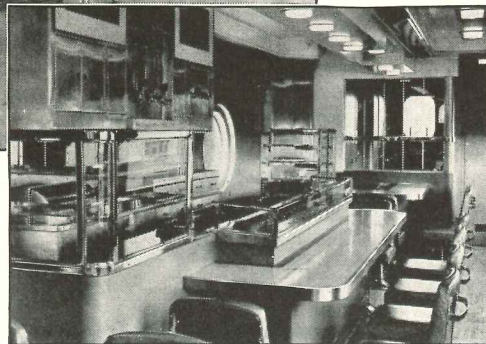
Taylor M. Potter won the first prize of \$50 and Curtis C. Schafer the \$25 award for his second-place design.

The problem, whose author was Sumner Spaulding, F.A.I.A., of Los Angeles, postulated a house for a family of four (maximum of 1200 sq ft floor space) on a site with 75 ft frontage and 100 ft deep. Integration of house and garden was stressed.



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Jan. 18-20: Annual meeting, American Society of Civil Engineers, Hotel Commodore, New York City.

Jan. 18-Mar. 5: Exhibition of Mies van der Rohe model, Museum of Modern Art, New York City.

Jan. 23-27: Southwest Air Conditioning Exposition of the International Heating and Ventilating Exposition, State Fair Park, Dallas, Texas.

Jan. 30-Feb. 3: 25th semi-annual Los Angeles Furniture Market, Los Angeles, Calif.

Feb. 19-23: Sixth Annual Convention and Exposition, National Assn. of Home Builders, Stevens and Congress Hotels, Chicago, Ill.

Feb. 27-Mar. 3: Committee Week and Spring Meeting, American Society for Testing Materials, Hotel William Penn, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mar. 28-31: 1950 National Plastics Exposition, Navy Pier, Chicago, Ill.

Jan. 21-22: North American Conference on Church Architecture and Church Architect's Guild, joint meeting, Columbus, Ohio.

AT THE COLLEGES

**Faculty Appointments**

● Dr. Thomas Hall Locraft, a member of the faculty of the Department of Architecture at Catholic University of America since his graduation from the University in 1926, has been appointed head of the Department. He succeeds Dr. Frederick Vernon Murphy, his partner in the Washington, D. C., firm of Murphy & Locraft, who retired from the Department last July.

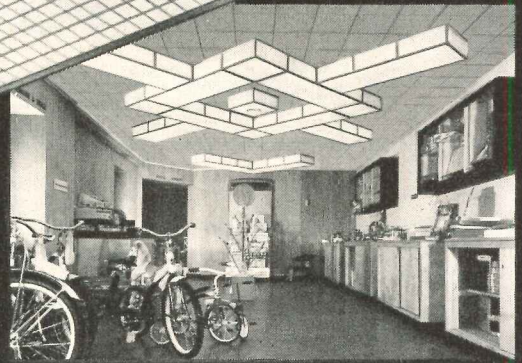
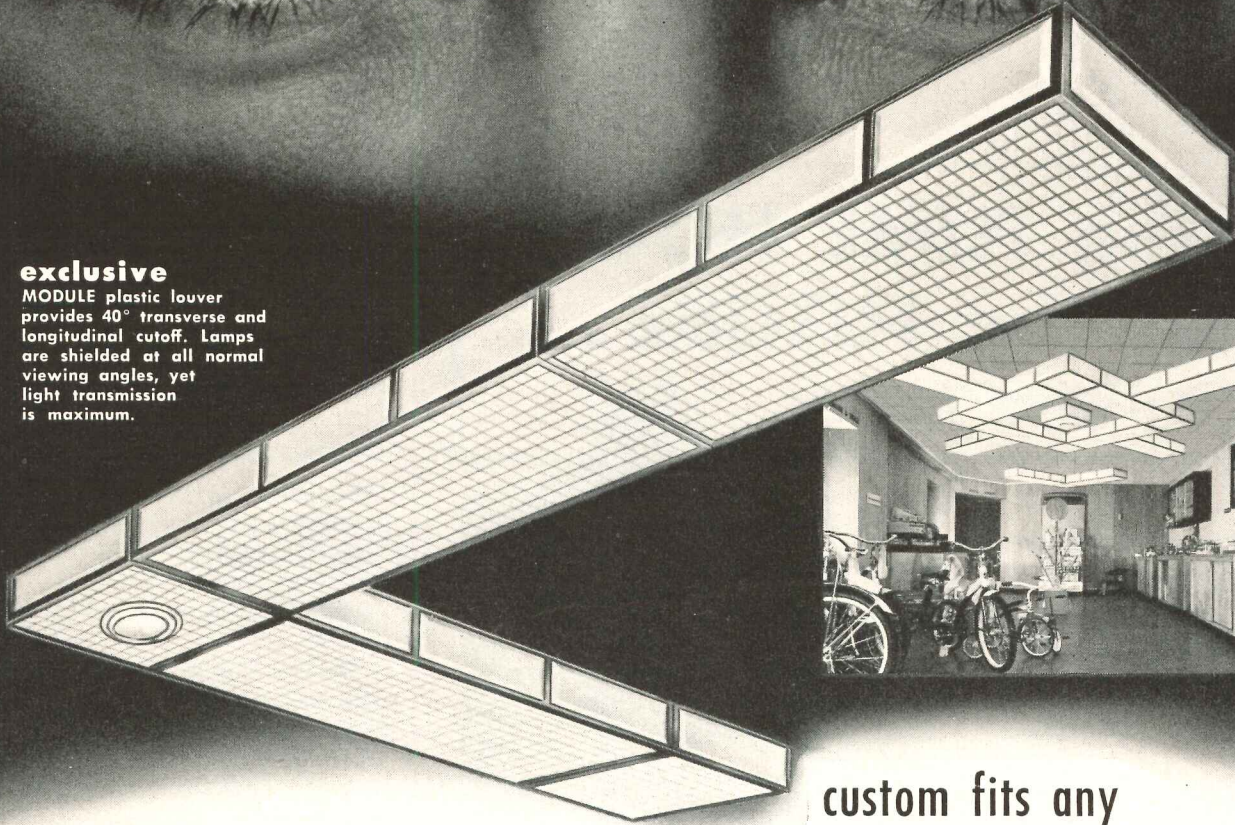
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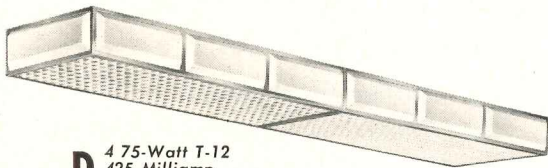
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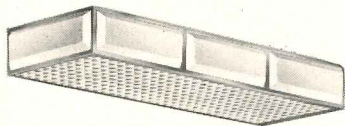
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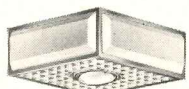
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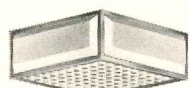
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• Lewis Mumford has returned as visiting professor of architecture for the second year at the North Carolina State College School of Design, which has also announced the appointment of Fred N. Severud as a visiting professor of architecture for 1949-50. Visiting lecturers for the current year whose appointments have been announced include Leo Katz, Eero Saarinen, William W. Caudill, Alonzo J. Harriman, Thomas Church,

Buckminster Fuller, Richard J. Neutra and Frank Lloyd Wright.

• Reginald F. Malcolmson of Chicago, a graduate of the College of Technology, Belfast, Ireland, has been appointed instructor in architecture at Illinois Institute of Technology.

**Award Announced**

John H. VonGunten, a member of the Kansas State College architecture staff,

is the winner of the 1949 John Stewardson \$1400 memorial scholarship in architecture, Paul Weigen, department head, has announced.

Mr. VonGunten plans to travel and study from June through December of this year in France, Switzerland and Italy.

**Product Design Featured**

An engineering institute in industrial product design was held last month at the University of Wisconsin to demonstrate the various skills and techniques needed in the profession of industrial designing.

The institute was one of 18 sponsored by the university's College of Engineering and Extension Division. Prof. H. E. Pulver of the Extension Division is director.

**New Scholarships Offered**

Ten annual competitive scholarships of \$1000 each in American colleges and technical schools have been authorized by the American Institute of Steel Construction. Initial awards will be made in 1950.

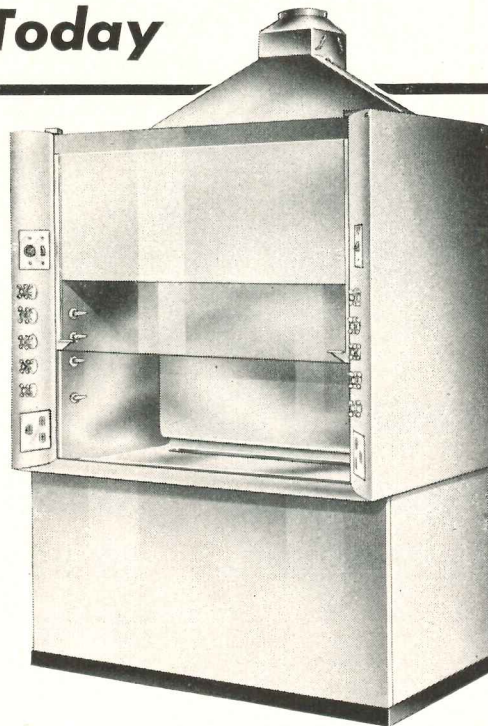
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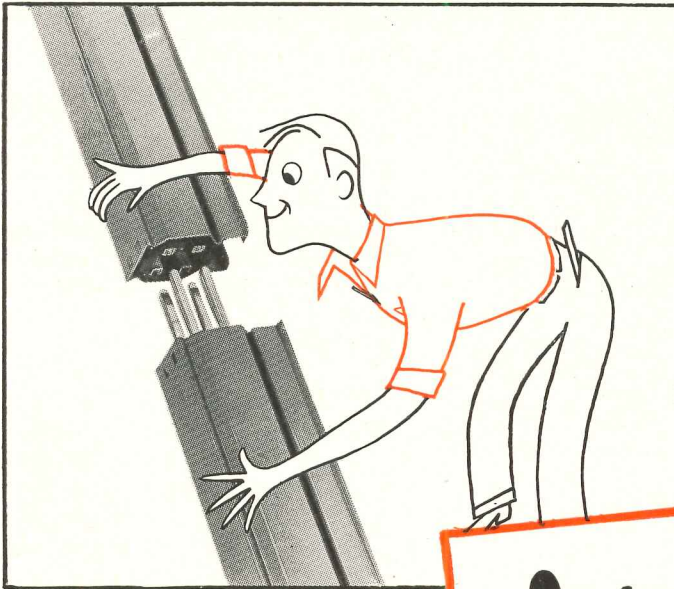
Closing date for entries for the International Award, 1949, of the Instituto Tecnico de la Construccion y del Cemento has been extended from Nov. 15, 1949 to Mar. 15, 1950.

**Courthouse Design**

Judgment in the competition on design of "A Court House Lobby" sponsored by the Marble Institute of America in conjunction with the Beaux Arts Institute of Design is scheduled for January 14.

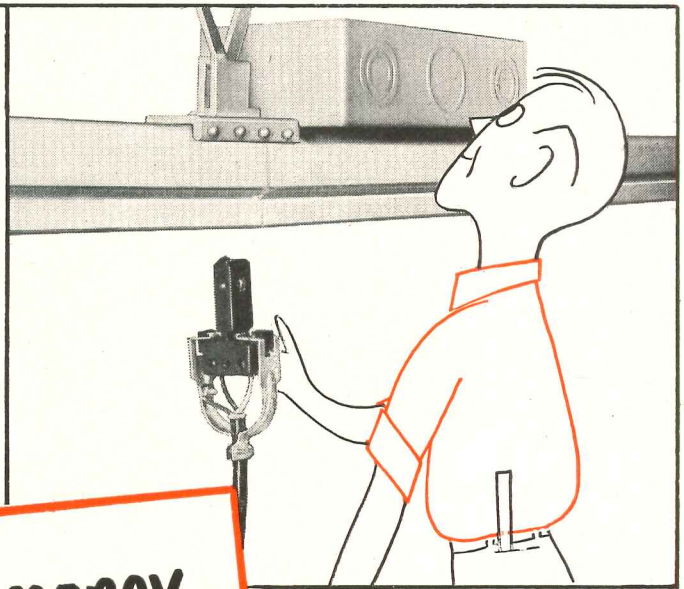
Awards will be as follows: first prize, \$100; second prize, \$75; third prize, \$50; fourth prize, \$25.

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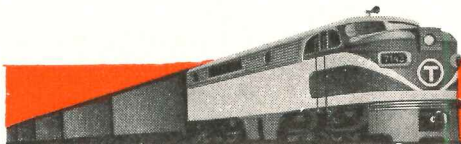


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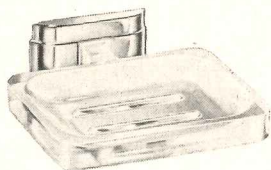


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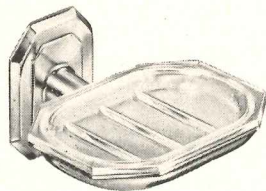


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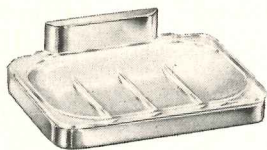
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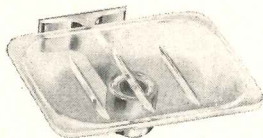
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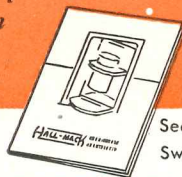
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**For Better Rooms**

One hundred forty-five cash awards totaling \$25,000 will be made in the Fourth Annual Better Rooms Competition of the Chicago Tribune, which closes Feb. 20, 1950.

Prizes of \$100 to \$1000 each will be awarded for the best ideas for furnishing and decorating seven types of rooms. The competition is open to all interested persons, except employees of the Chicago Tribune and its subsidiaries and their families and members of the Jury of Awards.

Details and rules of the competition may be obtained from: Better Rooms Competition, Chicago Tribune, Tribune Tower, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 11, Ill.

**Sanitarium; Flower Shop**

Two competitions open to students of architecture throughout the United States have been announced by the Tile Council of America in cooperation with the Beaux Arts Institute of Design.

Four awards will be made for a design of a children's tuberculosis sanitarium and two for a nine-hour sketch of an end wall for a flower shop.

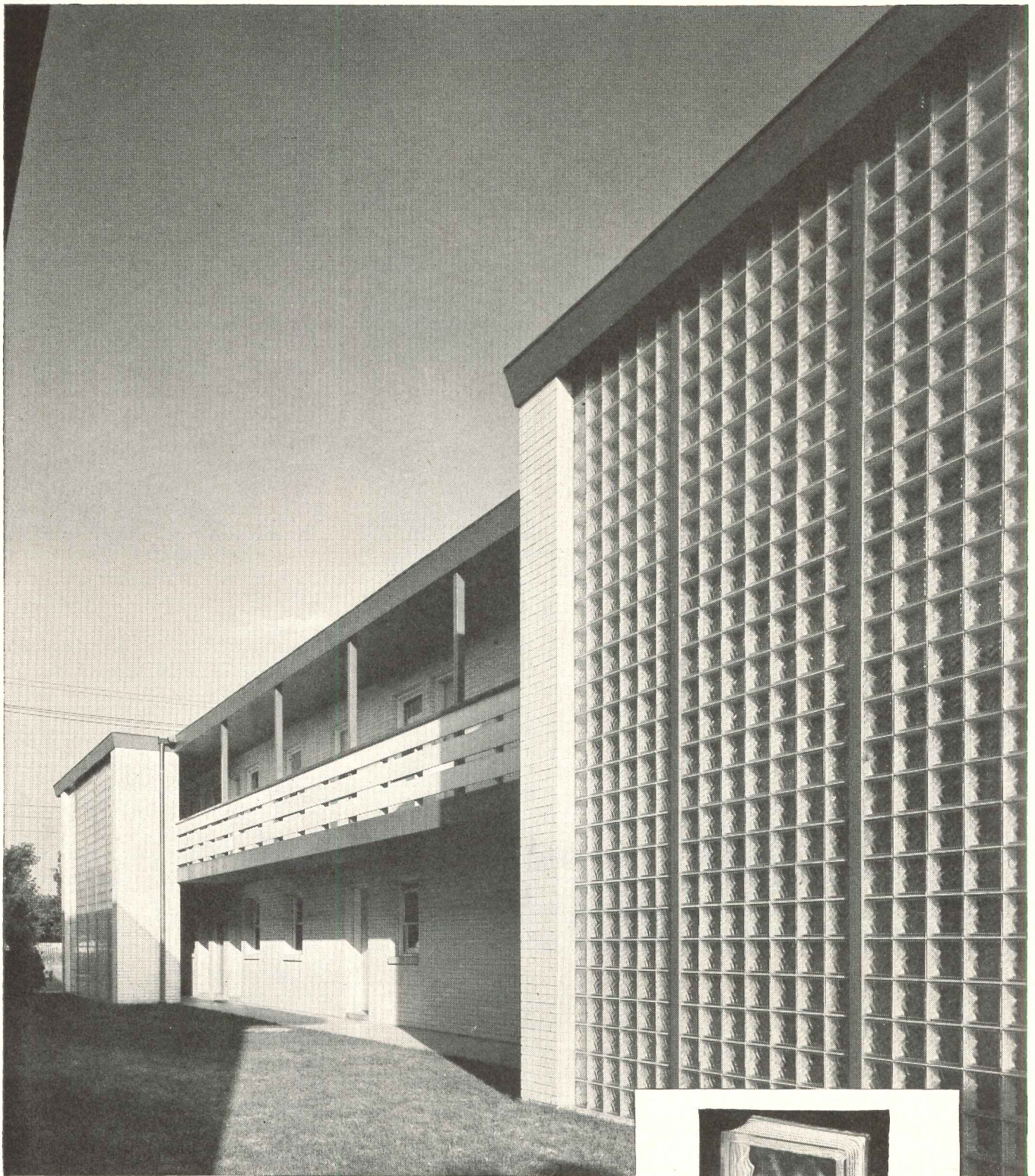
The flower shop sketch must be completed between February 13 and April 17 and will be judged May 4. The sanitarium designs are to be completed between March 20 and May 29 and judged about June 17.

Details are obtainable from the Beaux Arts Institute of Design, 115 E. 40th St., New York 16, N. Y.

**ELECTIONS APPOINTMENTS**

• Edward C. Meagher, treasurer of the Texas Gulf Sulphur Co. of New York, has been reelected president of the United Engineering Trustees, Inc. Other officers reelected were: Irving V. A. Huie (A.S.C.E.), president of the Board of Water Supply, New York, and James F. Fairman (A.I.E.E.), vice president of Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, as vice presidents; Kurt W. Jappe (A.S.M.E. treasurer), retired director of Purchases, Hercules Powder Co., Wilmington, Del., treasurer; James L. Head (A.I.M.E.), Dept. of Mines, Chile Exploration Co., New York, assistant treasurer.

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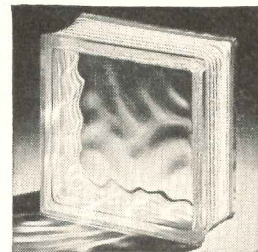
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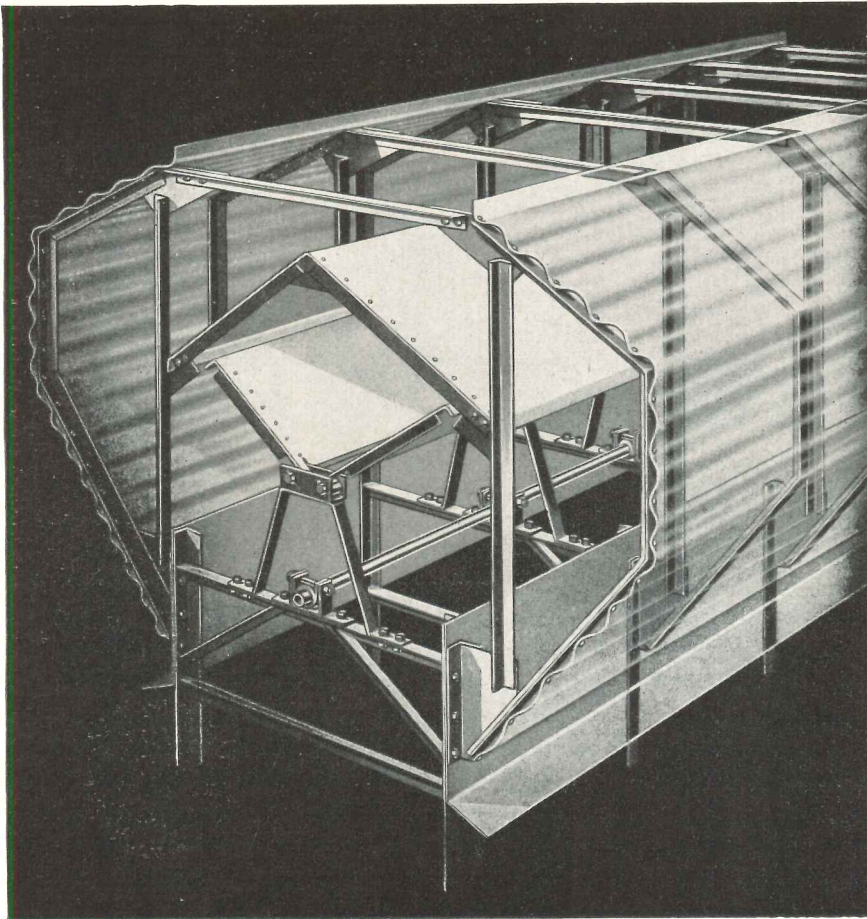
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urer; John H. R. Arms (A.I.M.E., A.S.M.E.), secretary.

- Election of A. T. Waidelich as vice president in charge of research for The Austin Company has been announced in Cleveland by George A. Bryant, president of the national engineering and construction firm. Mr. Waidelich will supervise plant location surveys and economic and engineering reports as well as independent research projects.

- Alexander Knowlton, A.I.A., has been named architectural editor of *Living for Young Homemakers*. Mr. Knowlton had been engaged in private practice, but earlier was associated with such firms as Edward D. Stone (New York), Graham, Anderson, Probst & White (Chicago), Fellheimer & Wagner (New York), Ellerbe & Company (St. Paul) and Dodd & Richards (Los Angeles).

- Miss Katherine Coffey, assistant director of the Newark Museum since 1947, succeeded Miss Alice W. Kendall as director of the museum on November 1.

- Henry L. Logan has been named to the newly-created post of vice president in charge of research for the Holophane Co. A Fellow of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and of the Illuminating Engineering Society and a member of numerous other scientific and technical groups, Mr. Logan has been manager of the Department of Applied Research for Holophane.

- Appointment of Paul F. Croley as assistant executive director of the Philadelphia City Planning Commission has been announced by Edmund N. Bacon, executive director.

### OFFICE NOTES

#### *Offices Opened*

Alfred Francis Bordeleau, A.I.A., formerly on the design staff of the Denver University School of Architecture and Planning, has opened an office for the practice of architecture at 410 Eighth St. N., Great Falls, Mont.

Anthony S. Ciresi, A.I.A., announces the opening of an office for the practice of architecture at 7113 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio.

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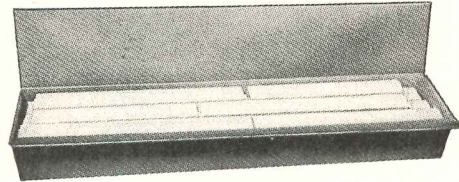
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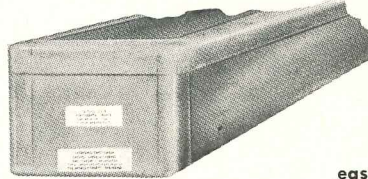
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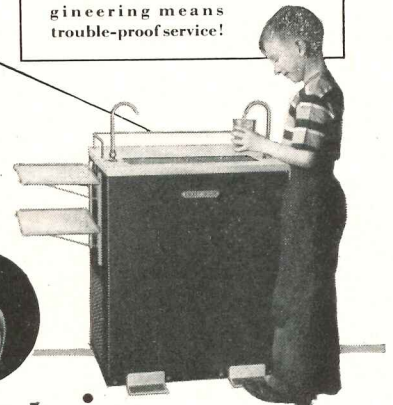
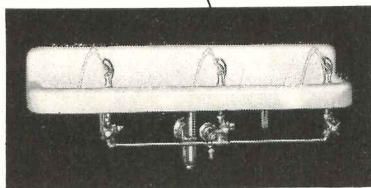
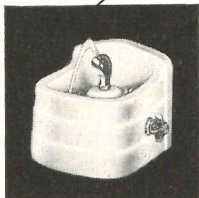
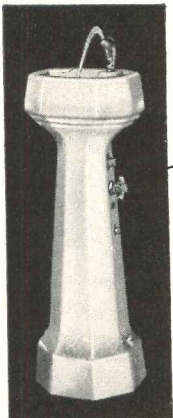
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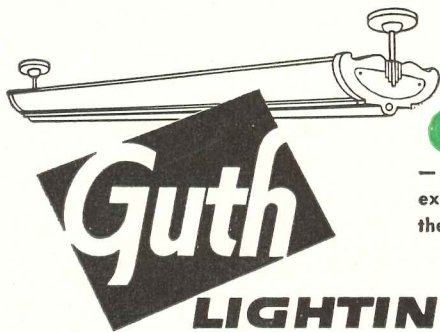
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Walter Zick, A.I.A., and Harris Sharp, A.I.A., announce the opening of their offices at 1806 South Main St., Las Vegas, Nev. (P.O. Box 1808).

### New Addresses

The following new addresses have been announced:

Laurence P. Johnston, A.I.A., 4105 Wisconsin Ave. N. W., Washington 16, D. C.

Carl Koch, Architect, & Associates, 57 Brattle St., Cambridge, Mass.

Walter Kuetzing, Architect, Stapleton Bldg., Billings, Mont.

Hans G. R. Schickele, Architect, 2220 Bancroft Way, Berkeley 4, Calif.

M. Tony Sherman, Architect and Industrial Designer, 732 N. E. 79th St., Miami 38, Fla.

Technical Planning Associates, 111 Whitney Ave., New Haven 10, Conn.

### New Firms, Firm Changes

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Vladimir Bobovitch and Ngwai Fook have announced that they are practicing in partnership as Vladimir Bobovitch-Ngwai Fook Associates at 204 East 46th St., New York 17, N. Y.

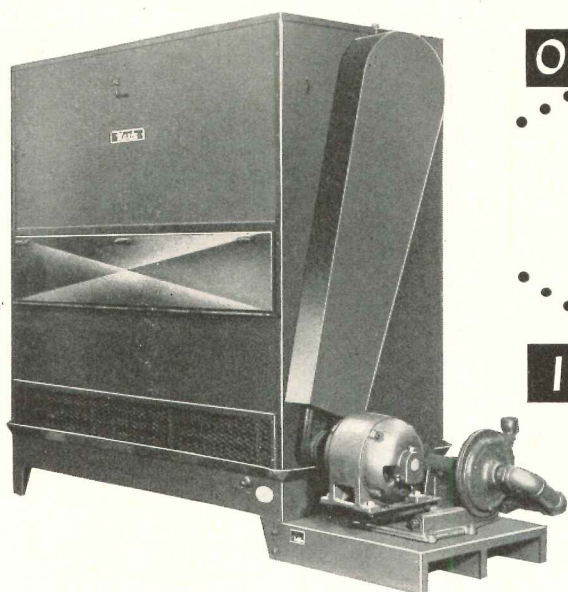
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### ERRATUM

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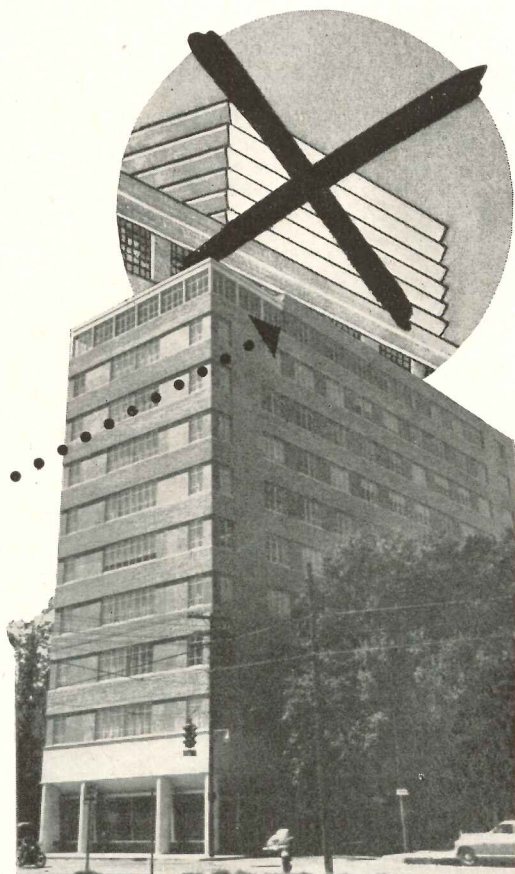


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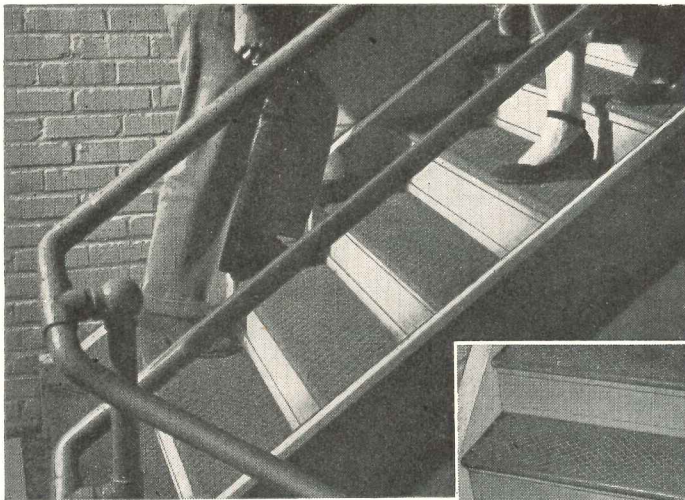
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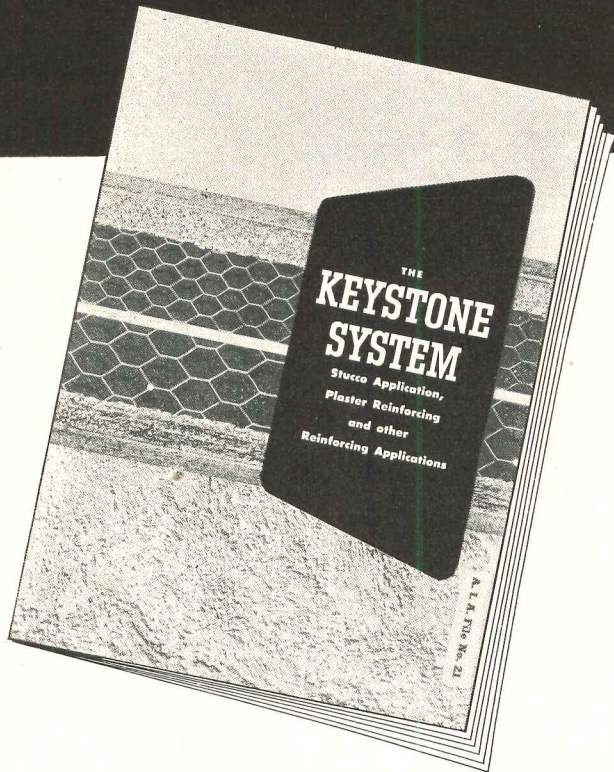
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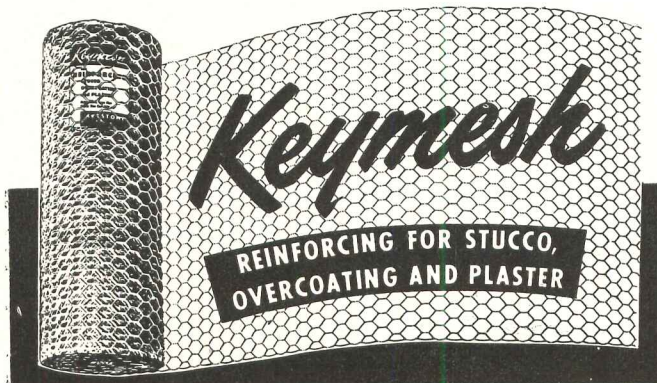
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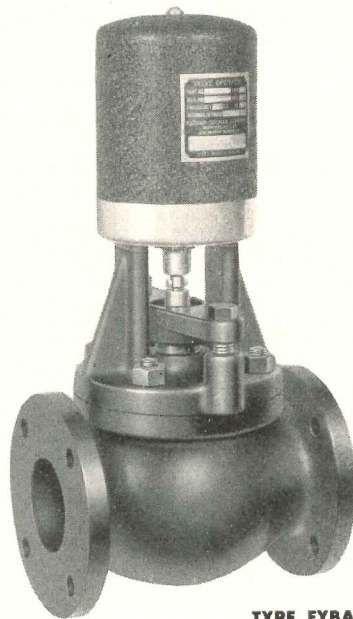
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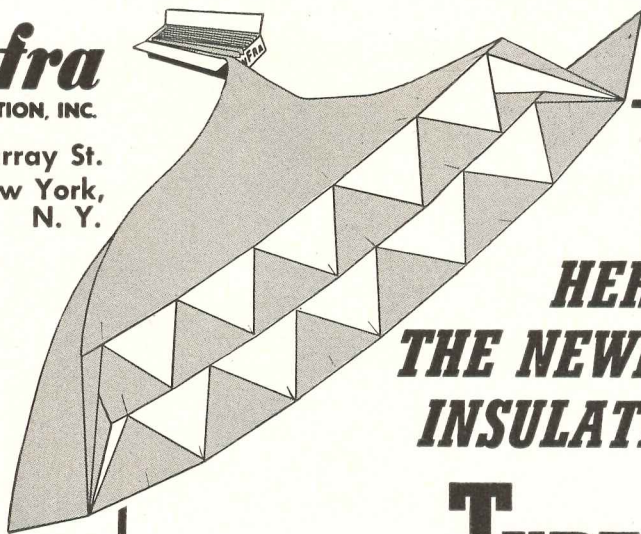
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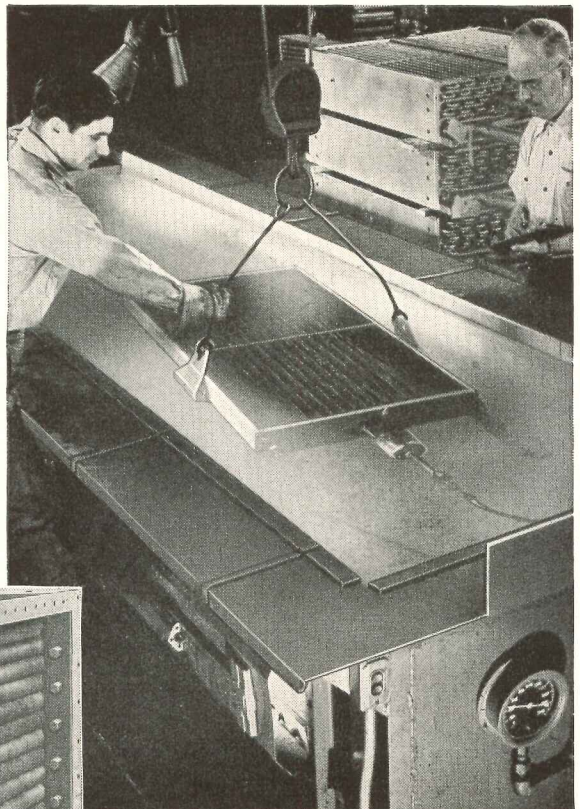
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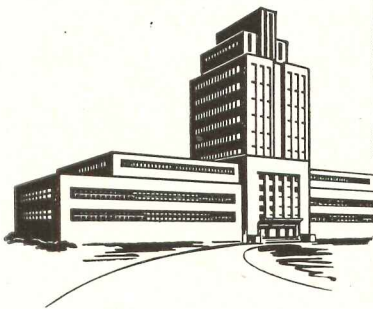
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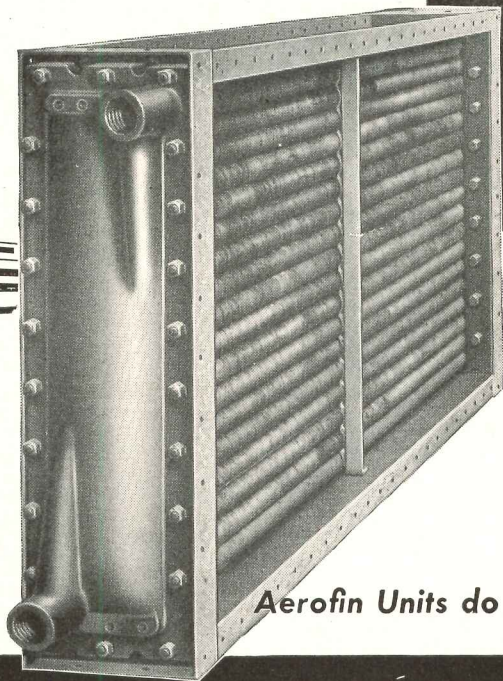
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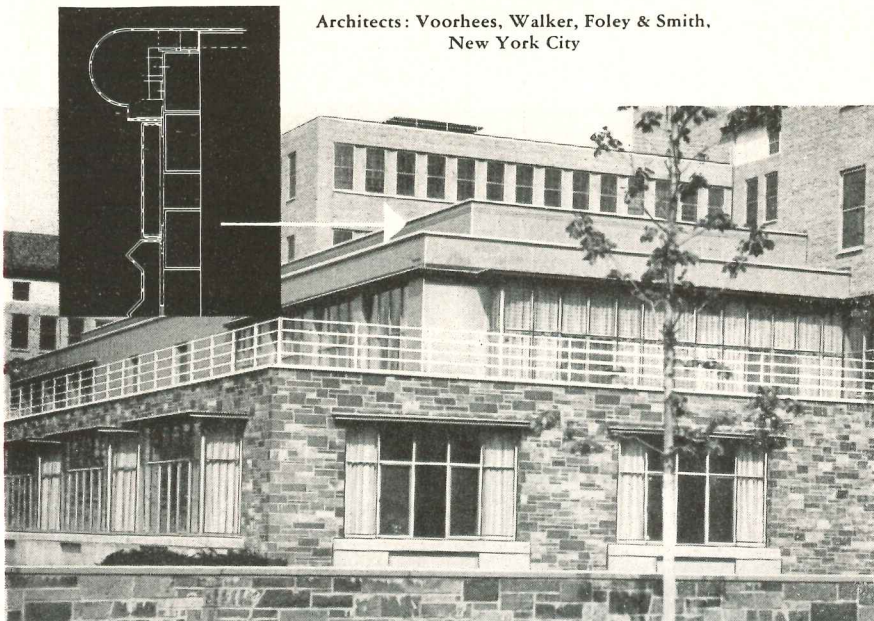
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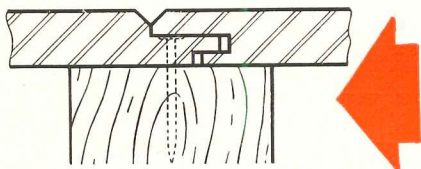
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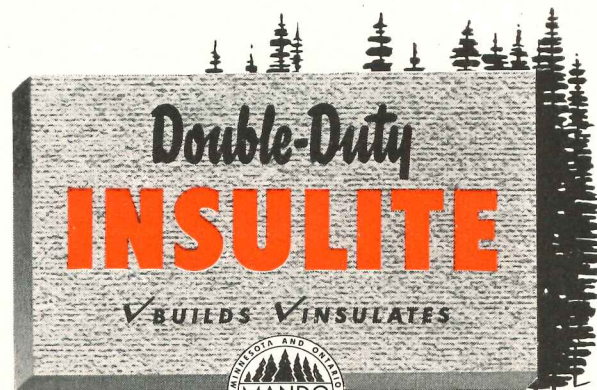
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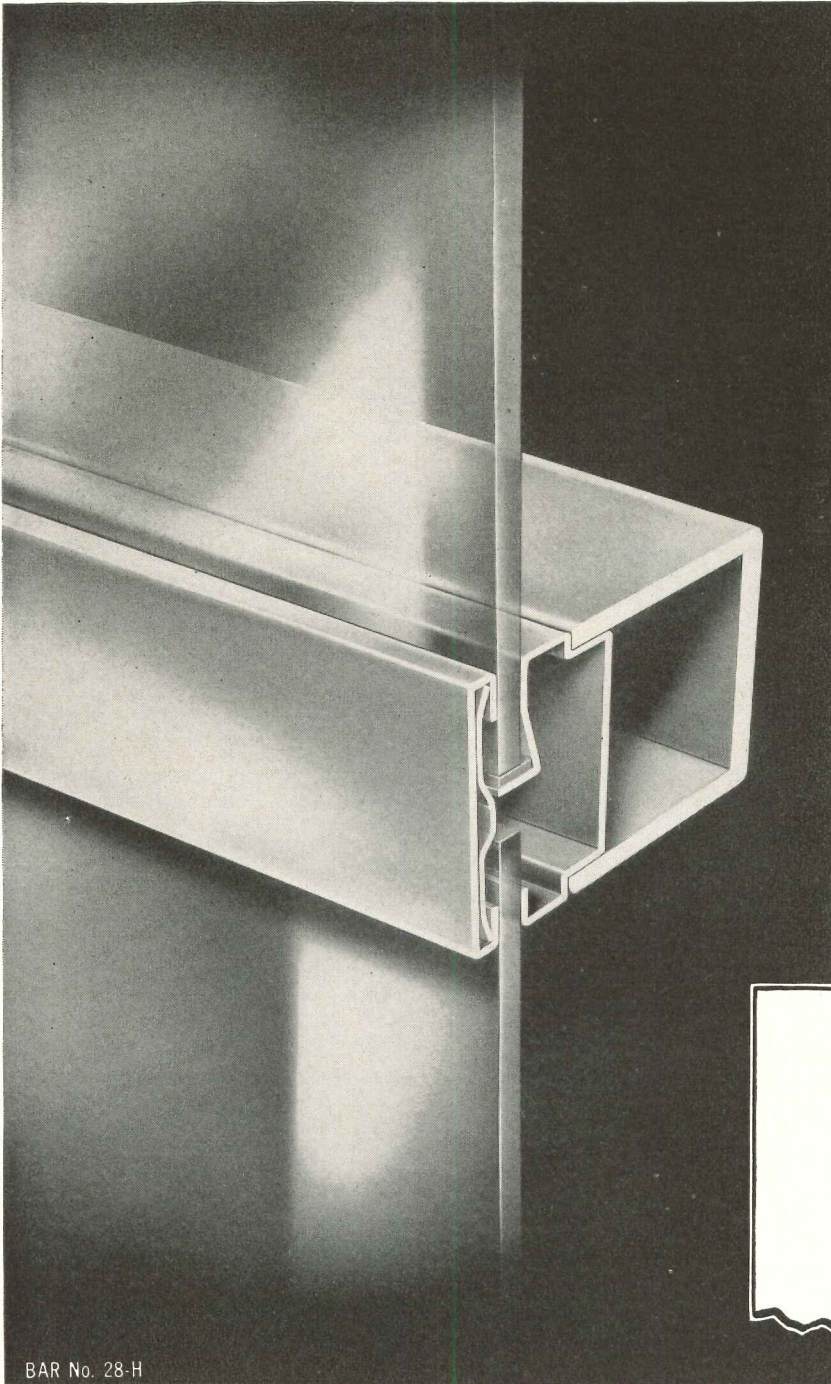
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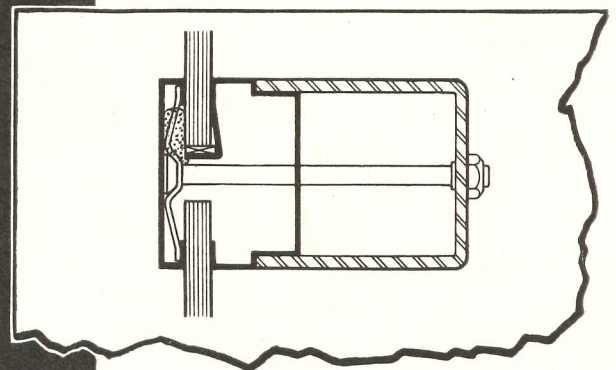


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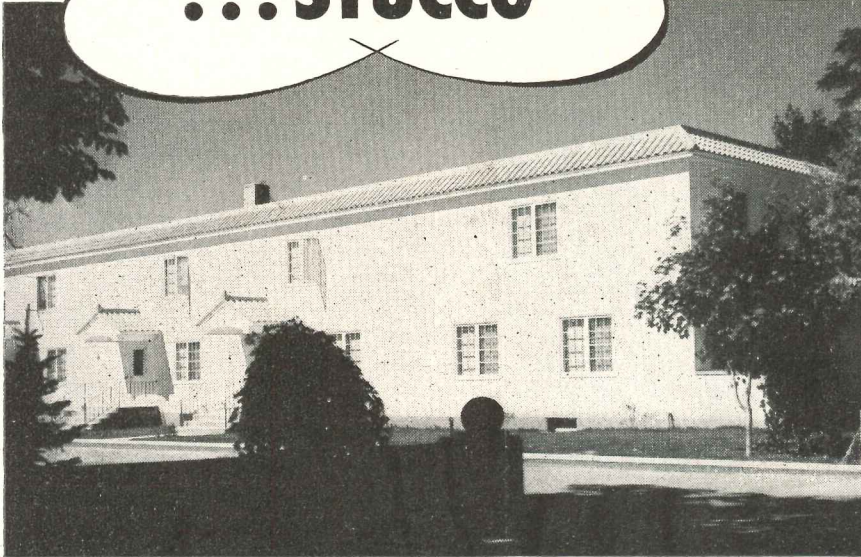
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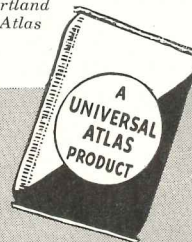
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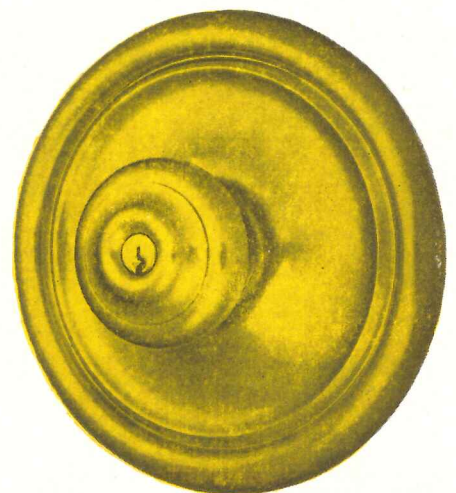
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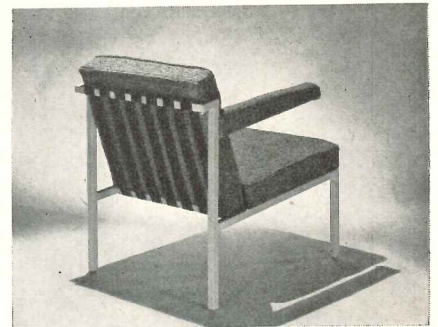
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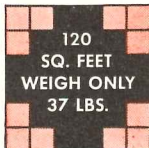
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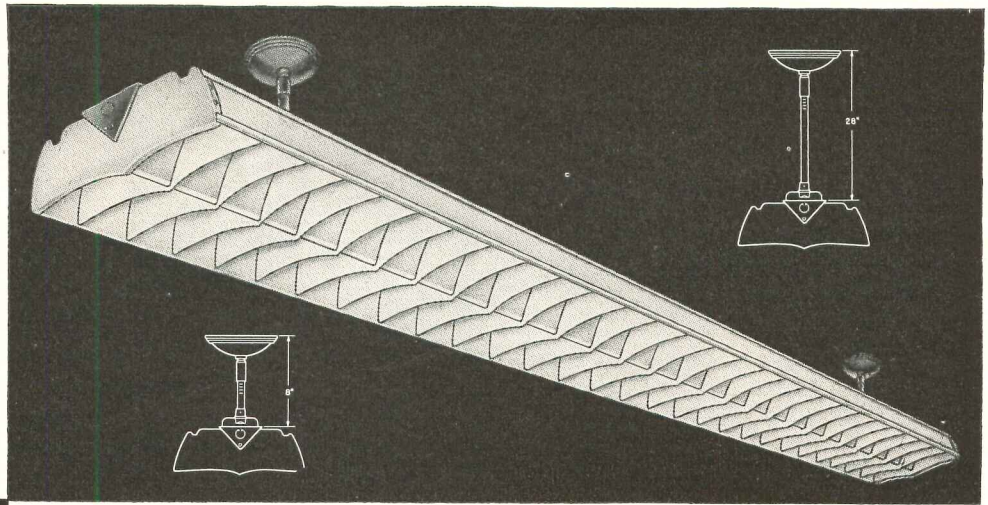
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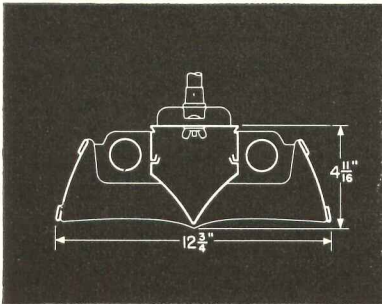
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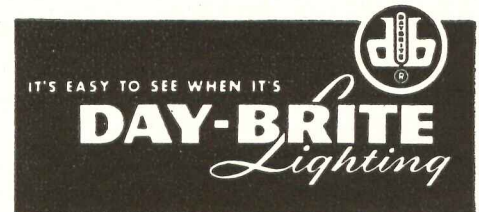
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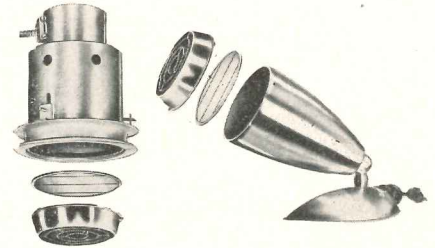
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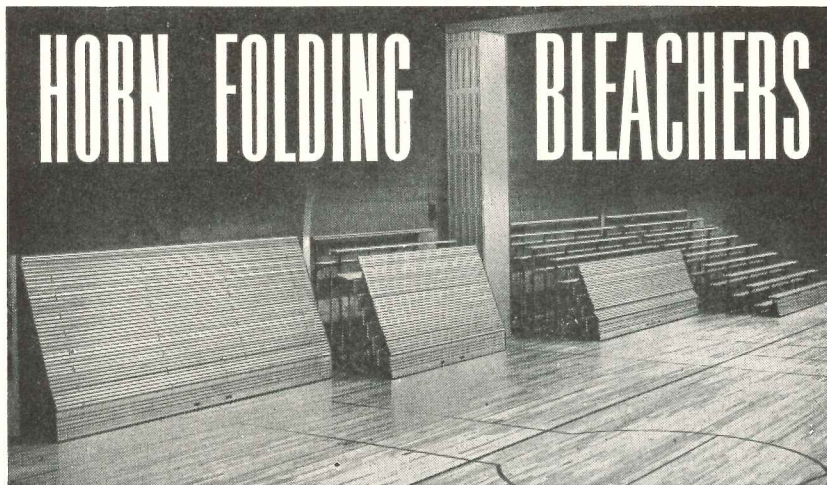
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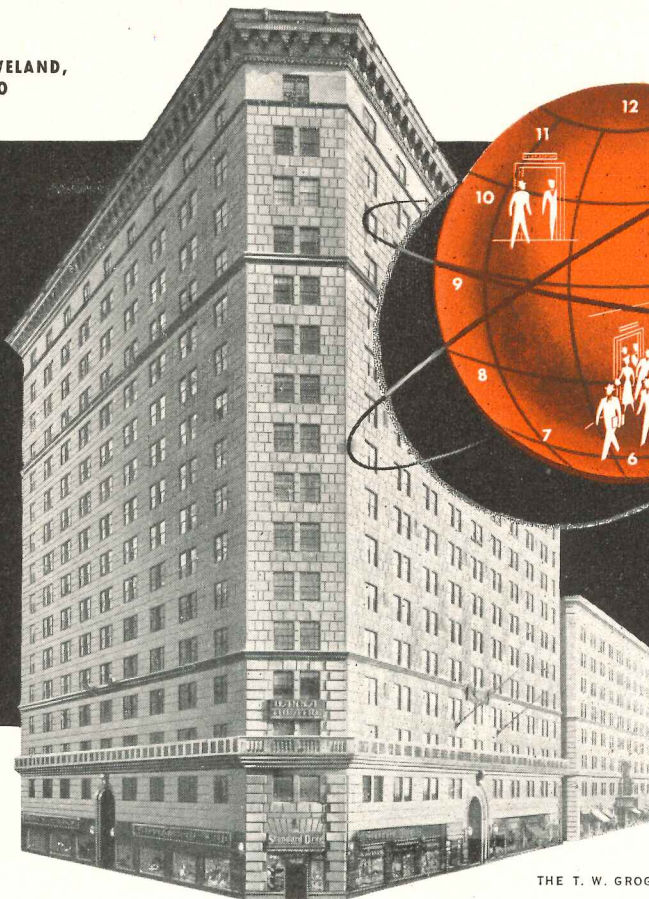
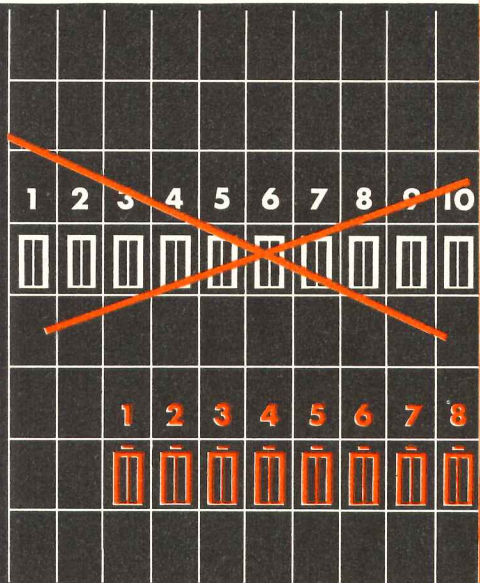
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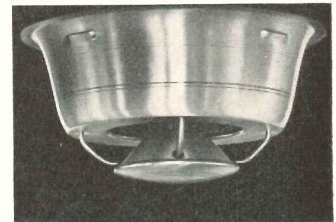
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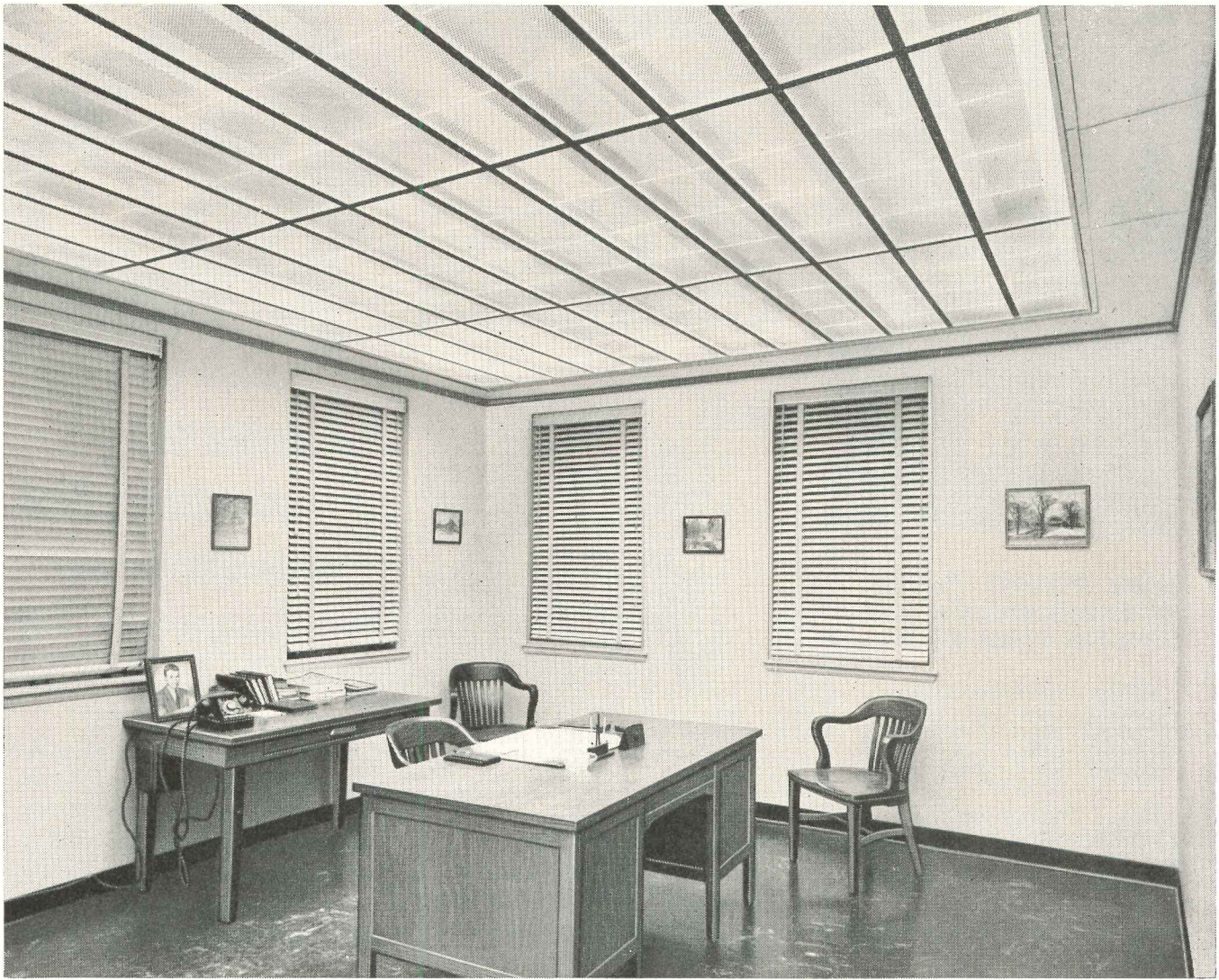
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**Circulating Pump**

Planned for use in the small house field, the B&G 75 booster is said to be light in construction, quiet in operation, compact, easy to install and efficient. The pump uses a 1/15 hp motor, is oil lubricated, and has a precision-ground water-tight seal. Connections consist of

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Wattage: 900.

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Along lamp axis:

45° - 1.2 Candlepower per sq. inch

60° - 0.14 Candlepower per sq. inch

70° - 0.11 Candlepower per sq. inch

Across lamp axis:

45° - 1.5 Candlepower per sq. inch

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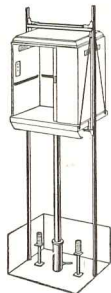


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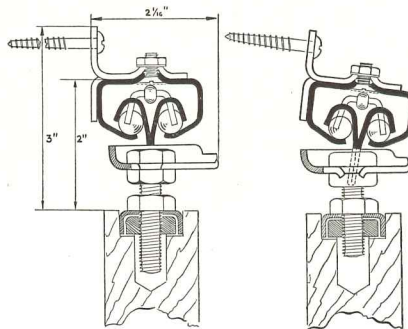
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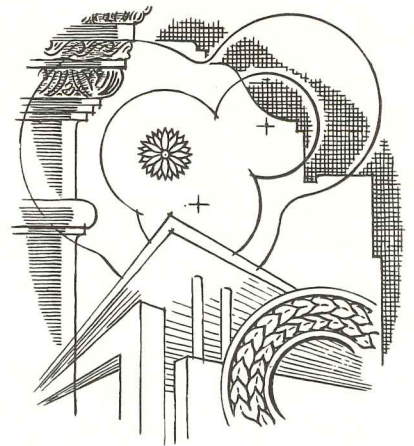
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**Water Filter**

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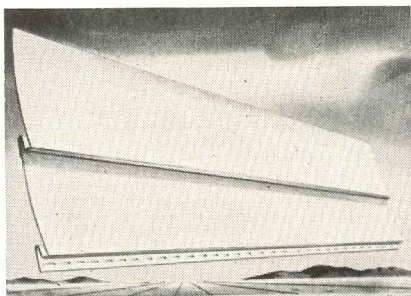
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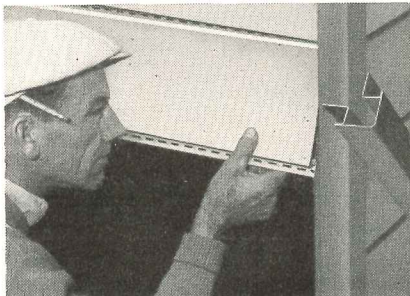
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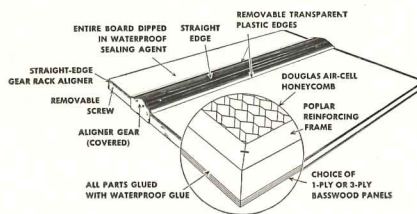
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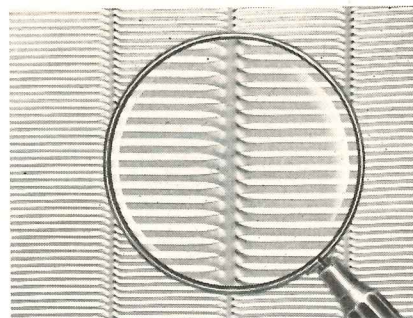
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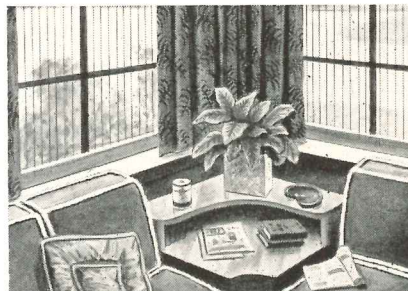
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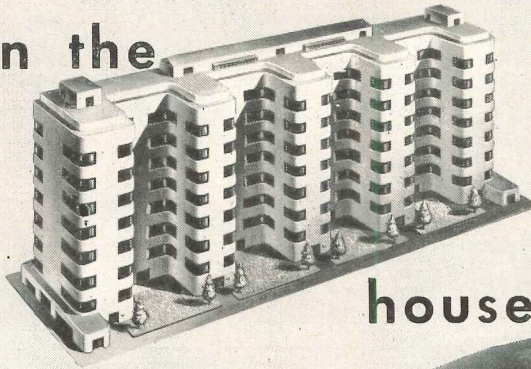
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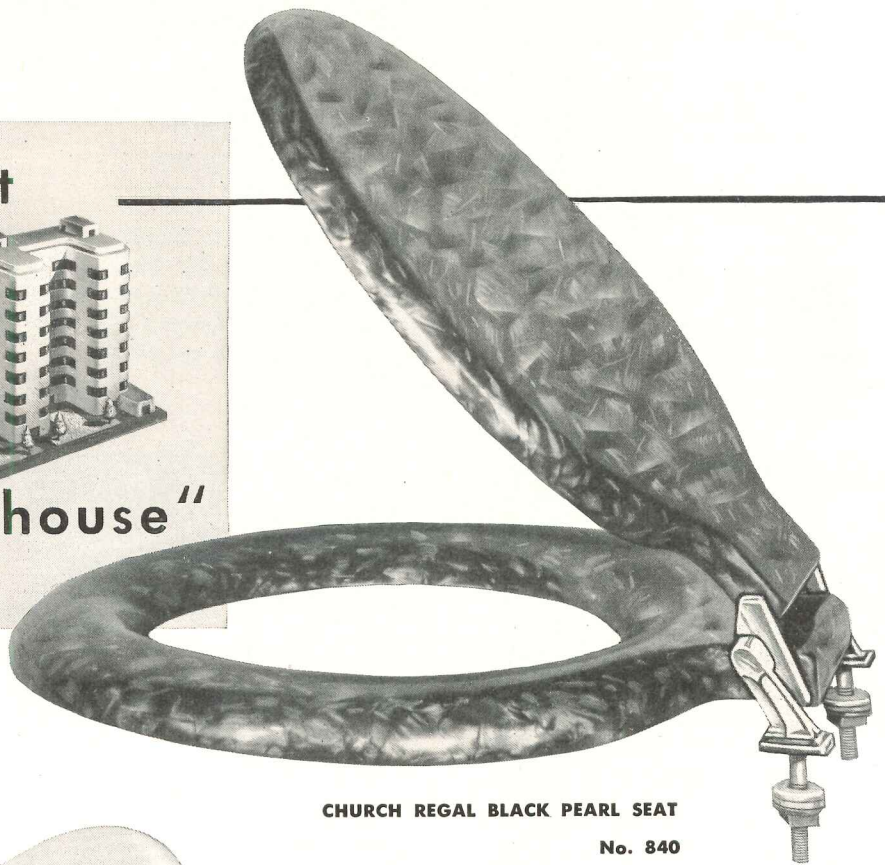
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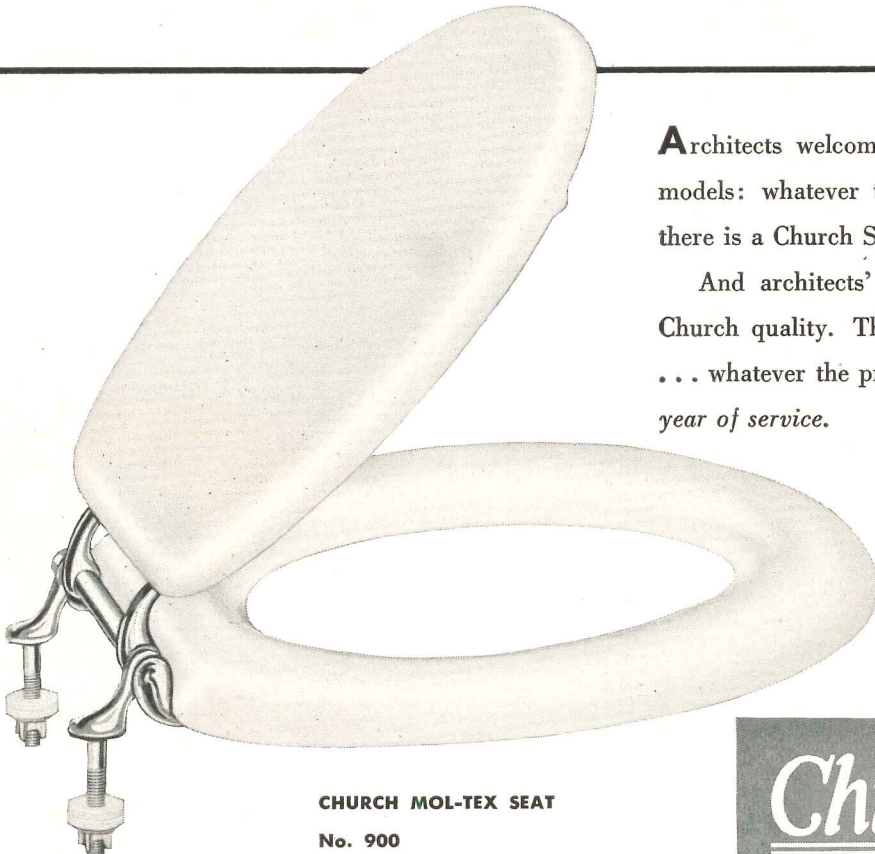


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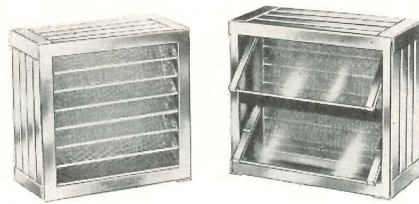
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64 $\frac{3}{8}$  in. The cover is hinged, and the housing, motor, and fan wheel can be removed without disturbing the rest of the unit. Chicago Blower Corp., 4558 W. Congress St., Chicago, Ill.



Block unit allows controlled ventilation

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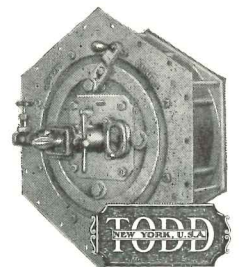
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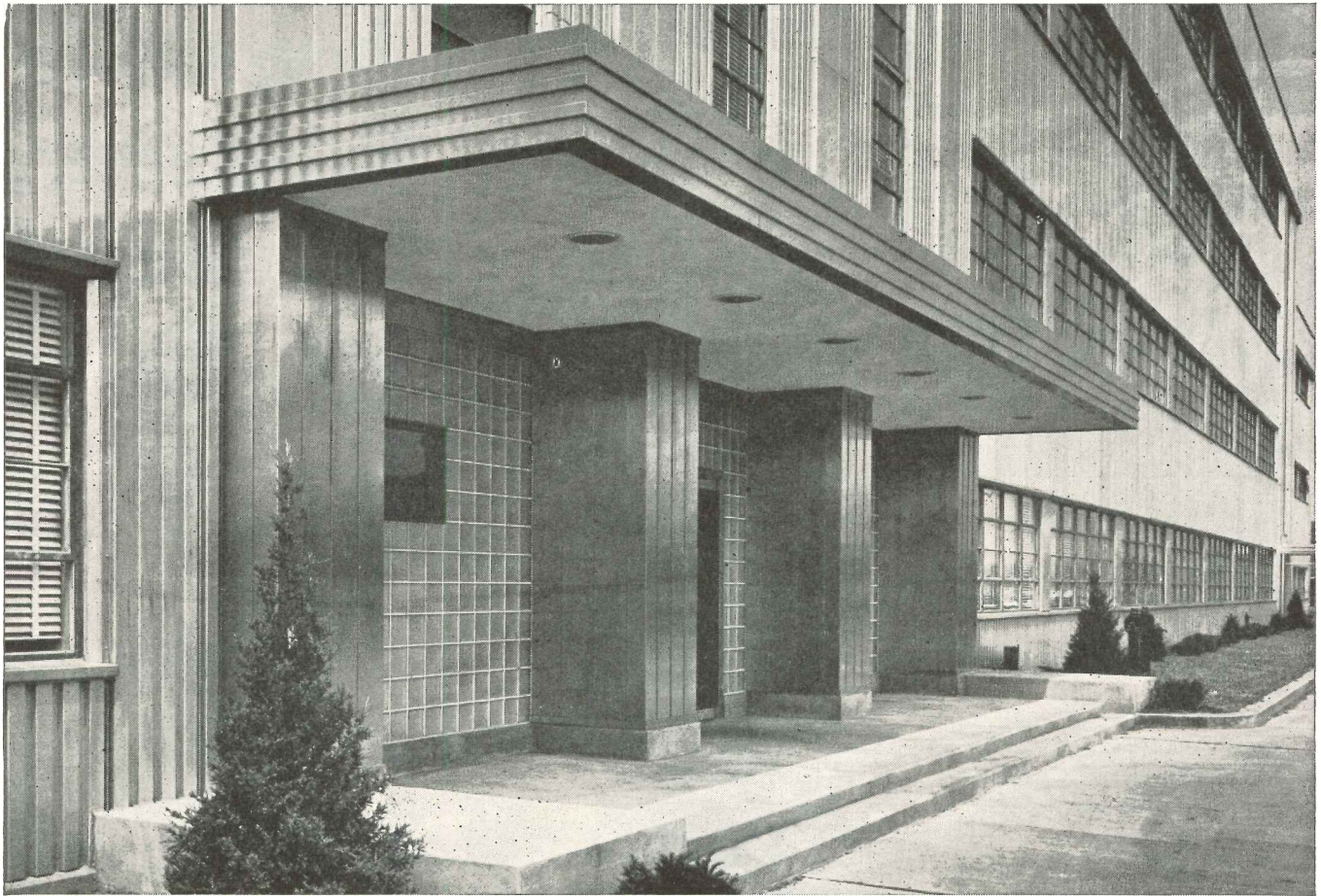
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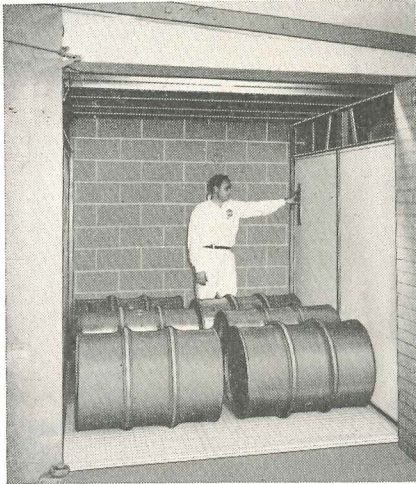


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The wide steel spans in the 209 by 243 ft building were originally left bare. Building inspectors asked for 2-in. thick concrete ceiling, which was considered prohibitive as to cost and excessive weight on the supporting members. The ceiling finally adopted is said to meet all requirements plus affording an acoustic surface. Dropped from the overhead roof-supporting members, 14-gage wires were inserted in hand punched holes in  $\frac{7}{8}$  by 2 in. aluminum "T" sections. These "T's" were hung in one direction only, on 24-in. centers and braced laterally by cross rods at 3 ft intervals. Spun glass blocks, 2 by 4 ft and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. thick, were first spray-painted, then laid on the flanges of the suspended "T's" to form the finished ceiling. Reynolds Metals Co., 2500 S. Third St., Louisville, Ky.

**Glazing Compound for  
Aluminum Sash**

The new *D-P No. 1012* aluminum gray glazing compound, made for aluminum sash, is said to stick tightly to the metal. The material reportedly sets up quickly, but remains semi-plastic to withstand movement of the sash. The manufacturers further claim that the compound will not crack, chip or powder; won't creep, sag or pull away; and withstands moisture, heat and cold. The Dicks-Pontius Co., Dayton, Ohio.

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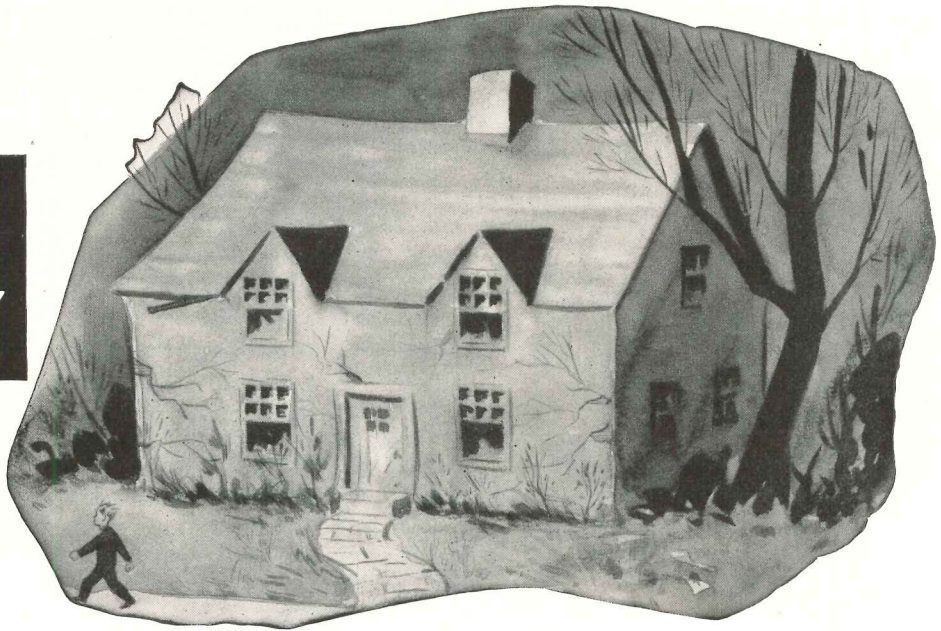


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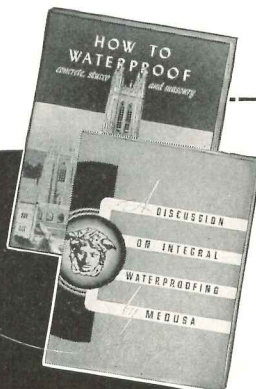
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Fluorescent Lighting

Two new fluorescent lamps are said to bring out the "full beauty" of all colors and to be complimentary to complexions. The lamps, called *De Luxe Cool White* and *De Luxe Warm White*, have an inner coating of a recently developed DR (means deep red) phosphor powder, which lowers light-efficiency slightly, but improves color rendition. The Cool White lamp is said to create a cool, crisp atmosphere and the best color impression. The Warm White lamp is claimed to give an effect similar to filament lighting, and to have improved color rendition. The lights will be available in 40-watt size early in 1950. Other sizes will become available in succeeding months. General Electric Lamp Dept., Nela Park, Cleveland 12, Ohio.

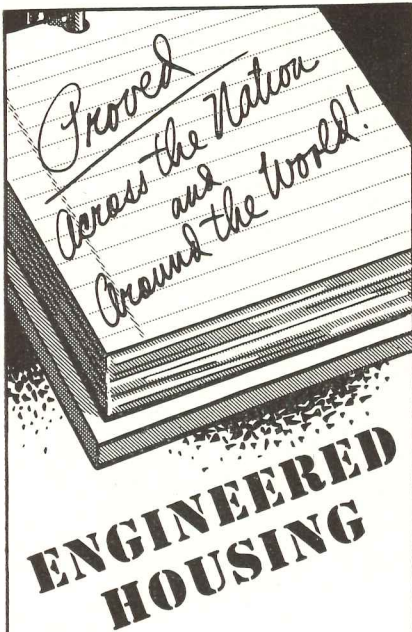
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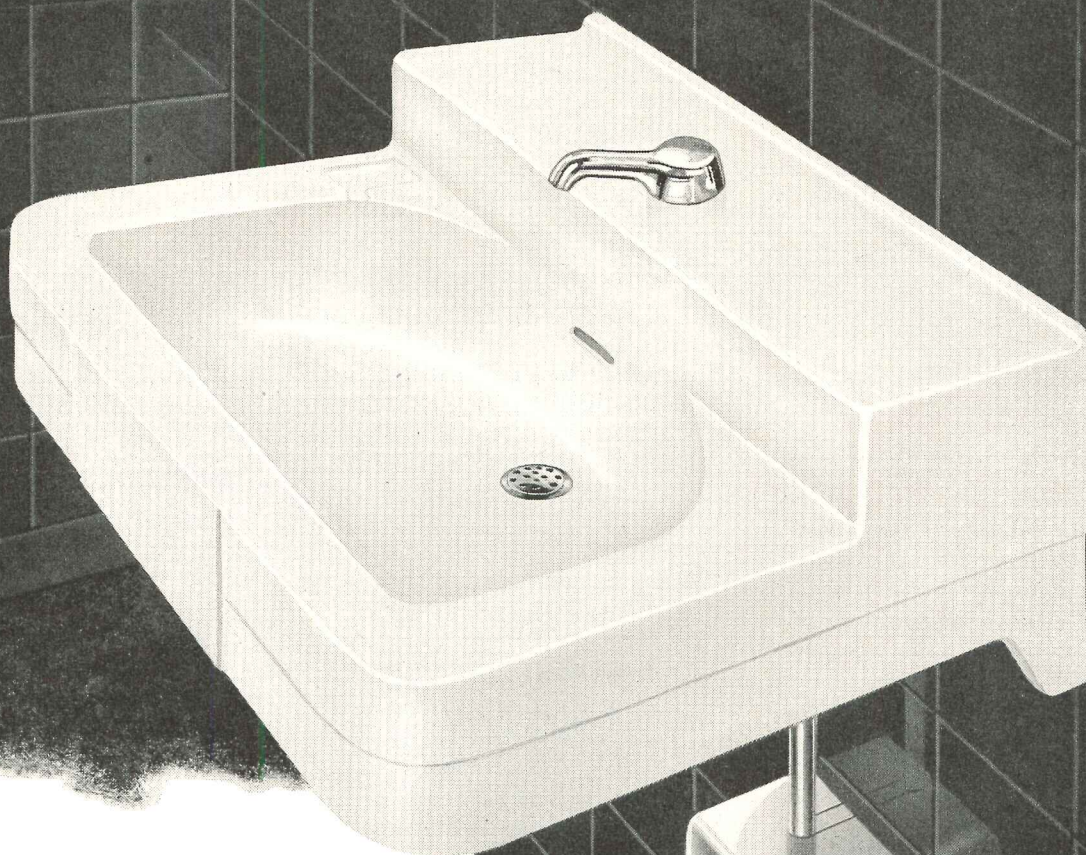
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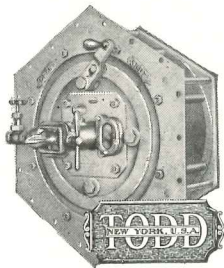
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**Plastic Signs**

*Plexiglas, The Outdoor Plastic For Signs.* Booklet pictures in color some 30 examples of outdoor sign installations, and shows a variety of colors and lighting treatments achieved with the plastic. Illustrated uses range from small formed letters to store fronts. Properties of the material and ranges of forms, sizes and thicknesses are listed. 20 pp., illus. Rohm & Haas Co., Plastics Dept., Washington Square, Philadelphia 5, Penn.\*

**Plumbing Fixtures**

*Kohler Plumbing Fixtures For Industrial Plants, Public Buildings, Clubs, Schools.* Catalog is divided into sections each featuring one type of enameled or vitreous china fixture, and gives name, number, description, size and fittings. The sections include: lavatories, wash sinks, closets, closet seats, urinals, kitchen sinks, service sinks, drinking fountains and brass fittings. 24 pp., illus. Kohler Co., Kohler, Wis.

**Architectural Mouldings**

*Construction Details and Selector Guide: Alumiline Store Fronts, Extrud-A-Line Entrances & Hollow Metal Doors.* Shows full size construction details of various metal mouldings and assemblies. Among the items covered are: sash and door members, cornice mouldings, awning bar flaps, pilaster covering, fascia fillers, and miscellaneous store front mouldings. A few of the members are shown in renderings. 20 pp., illus. The Alumiline Corp., 166 Remsen St., Brooklyn 2, N. Y.\*

**Fabric Designs**

*Schiffer Prints: Stimulus Fabrics (Catalogs 1 and 2).* Each folder pictures 15 hand printed fabrics designed by Bernard Rudofsky, Edward J. Wormley, George Nelson, Abel Sorenson, Salvador Dali, and Ray Eames. Descriptions and color combinations available are included. Catalog No. 1 shows designs available through architects and decorators, those in No. 2 through retail stores. 4 pp., 4 pp., illus. Schiffer Prints Div., Mil-Art Co., Inc., 79 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.

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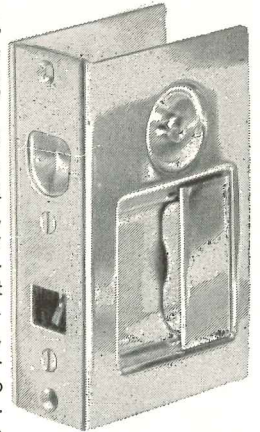
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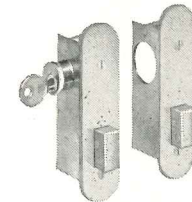
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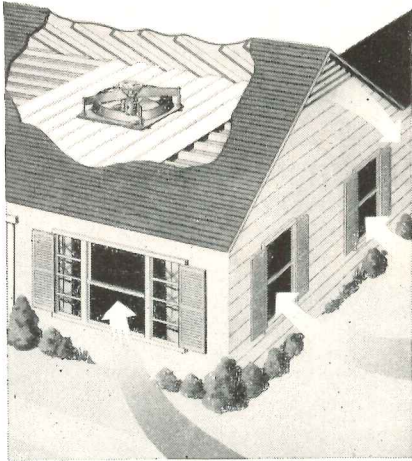
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*Multi Lighting Fixtures Are Star Performers Also (Bulletin S).* Describes a line of lighting fixtures for gymnasiums and swimming pools. Sketches, size and weight tables, and light distribution curves are given for various models. An underwater floodlight detail is also included. 4 pp., illus. Multi Electrical Mfg. Co., 4223-43 W. Lake St., Chicago 24, Ill.

#### Steel Storage Equipment

*How Red Tiger Will Help You (Catalog No. 110).* Illustrates and describes steel equipment for storage, materials handling, inventory control and transfer. Office equipment is included. Construction details and prices are noted. 8 pp., illus. Red Tiger Products, Inc., 20 N. Wacker Drive, Chicago 6, Ill.

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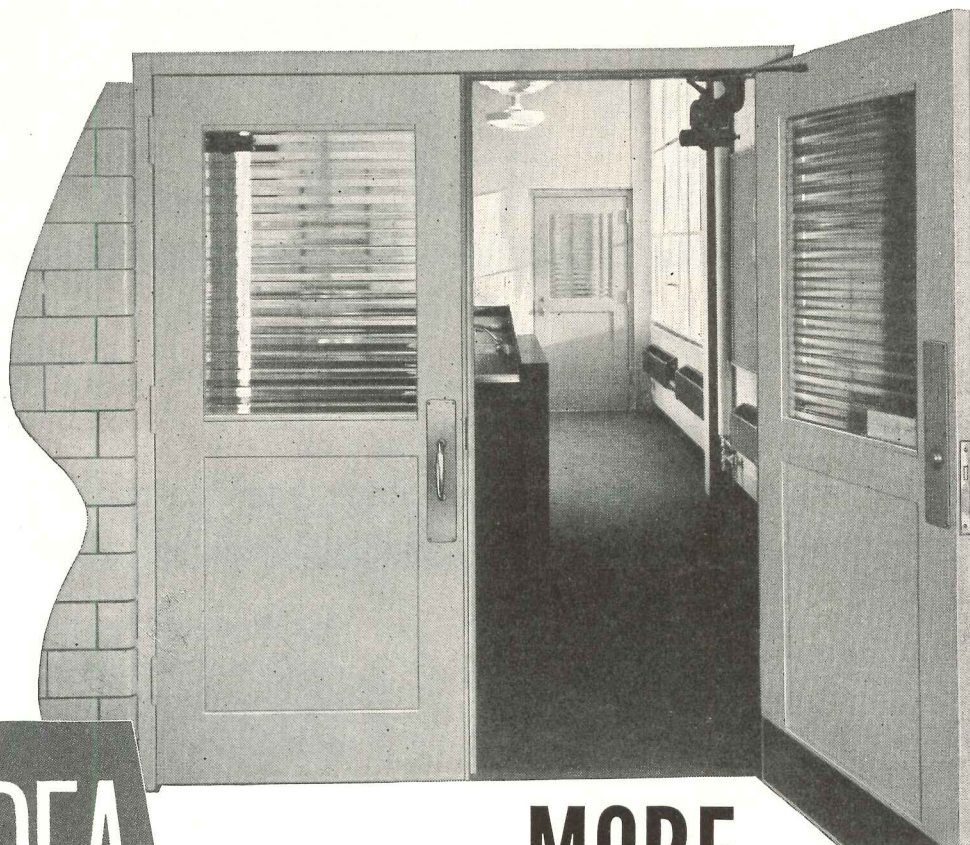
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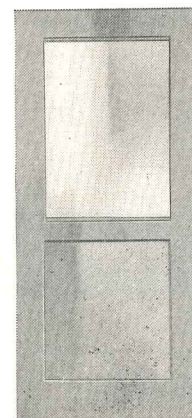
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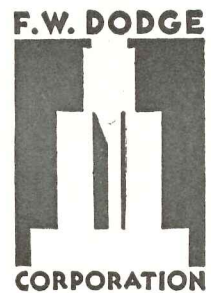
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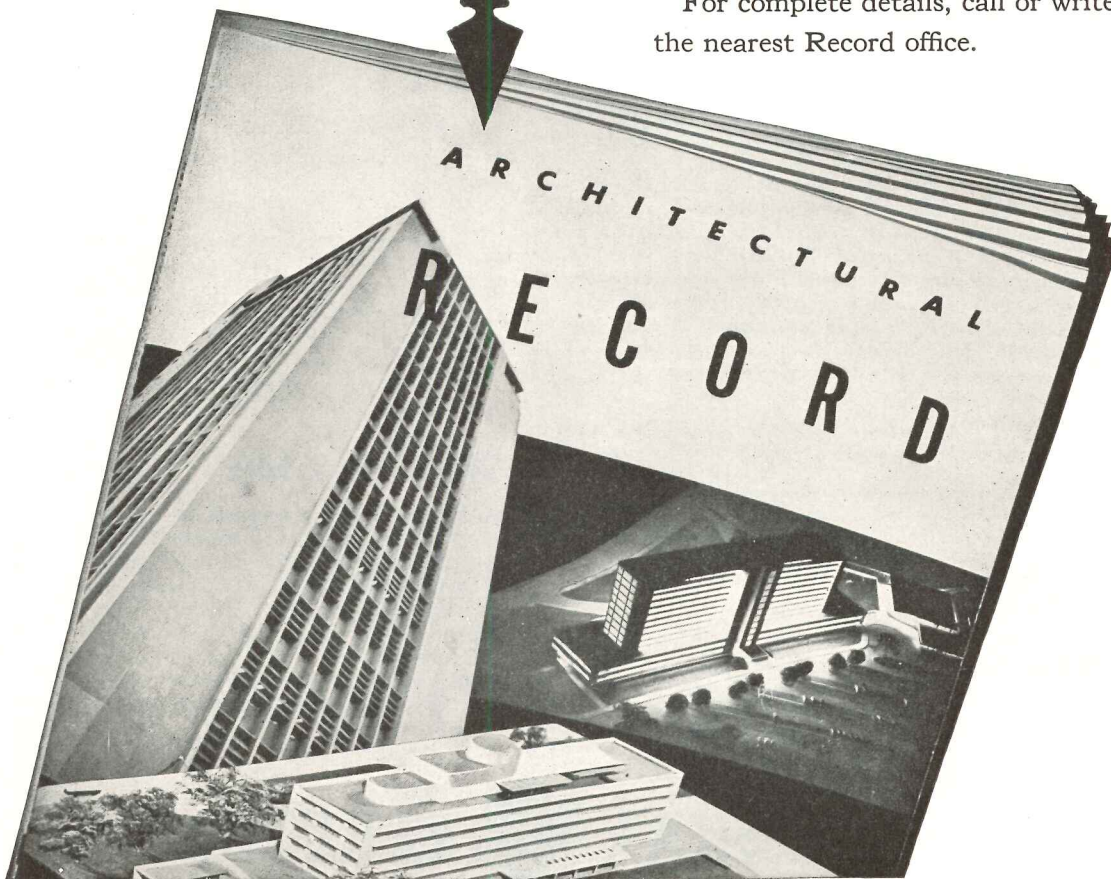
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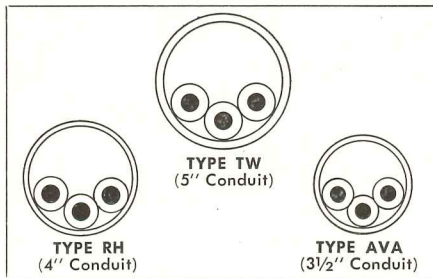
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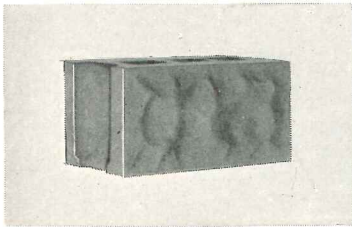
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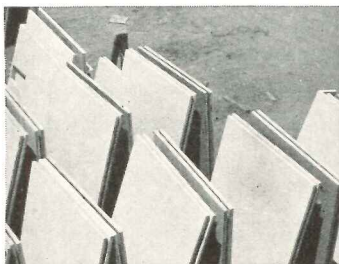
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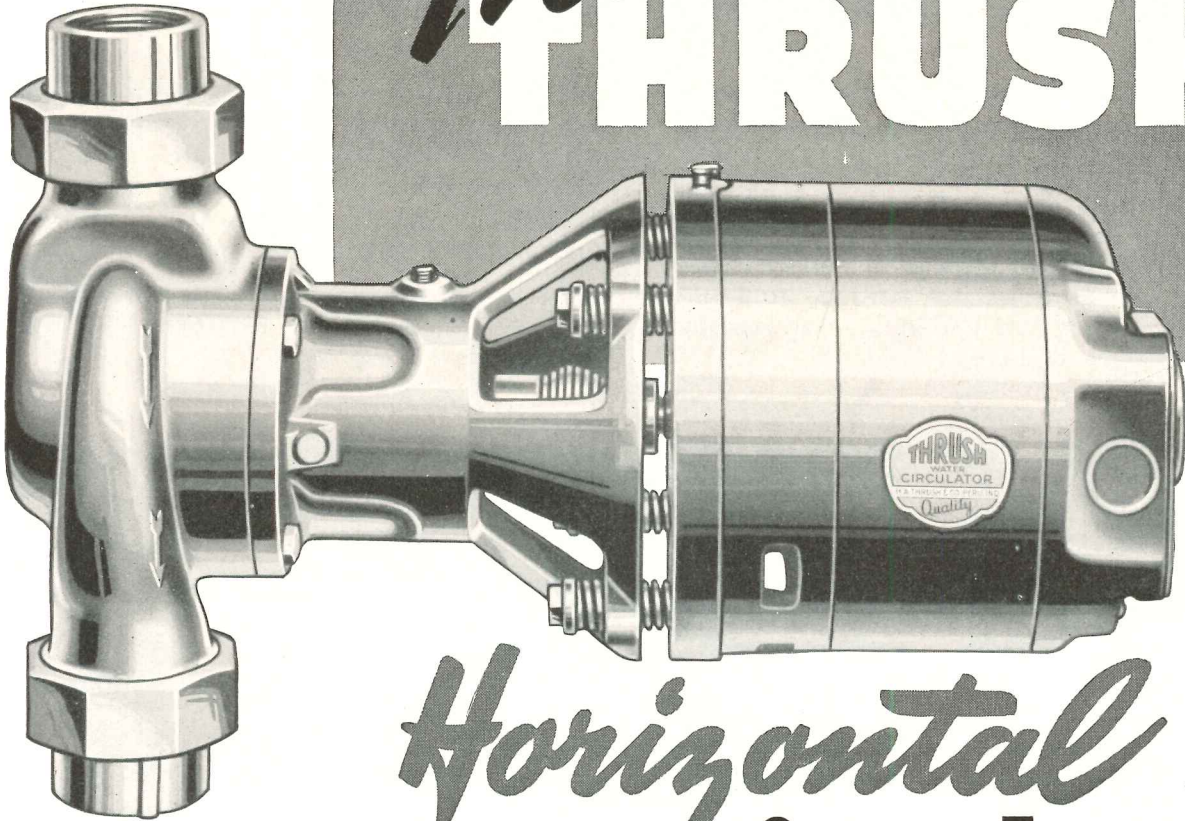


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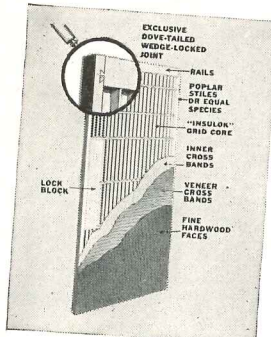


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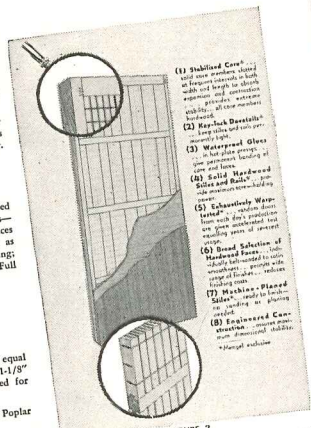


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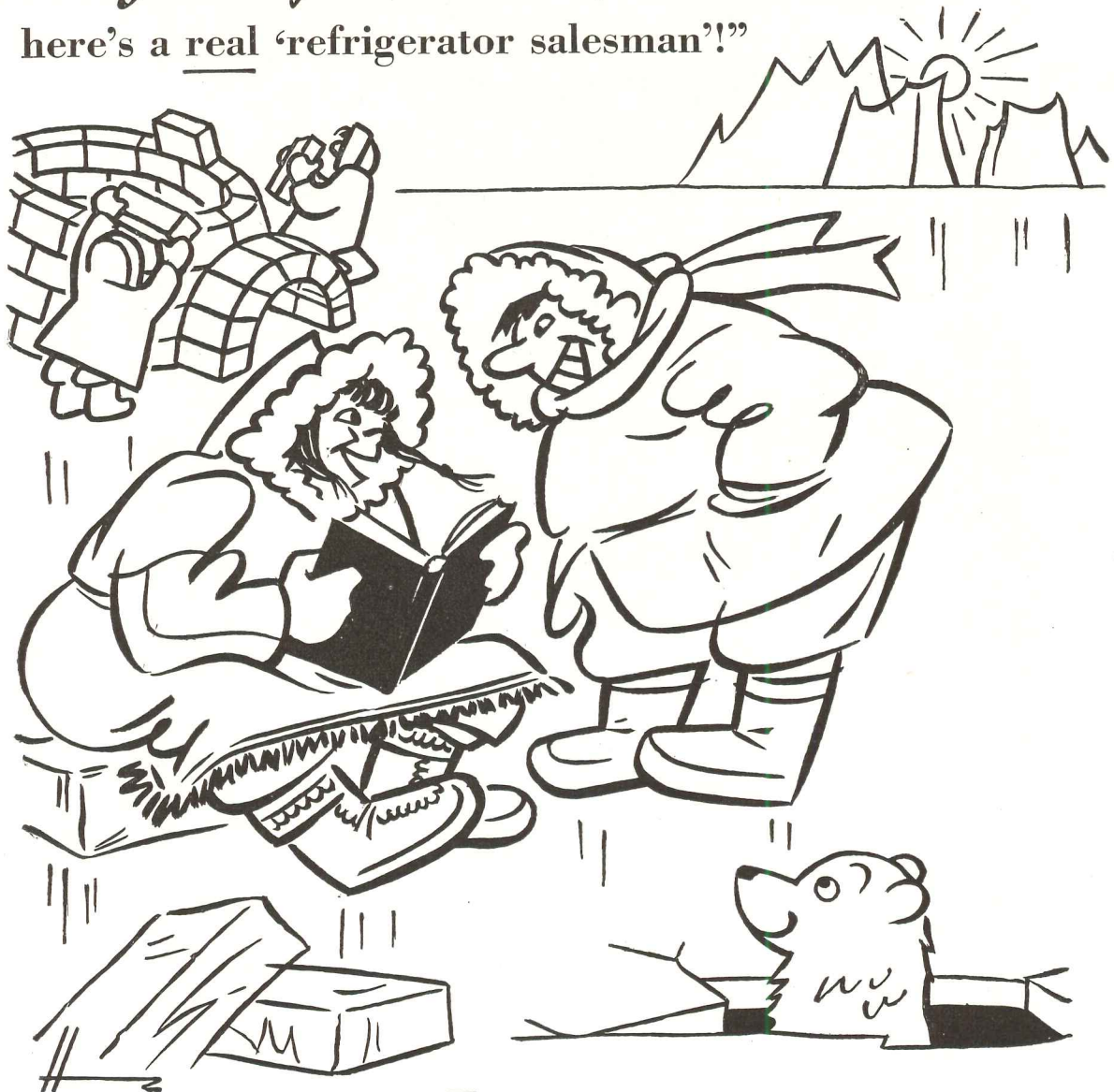
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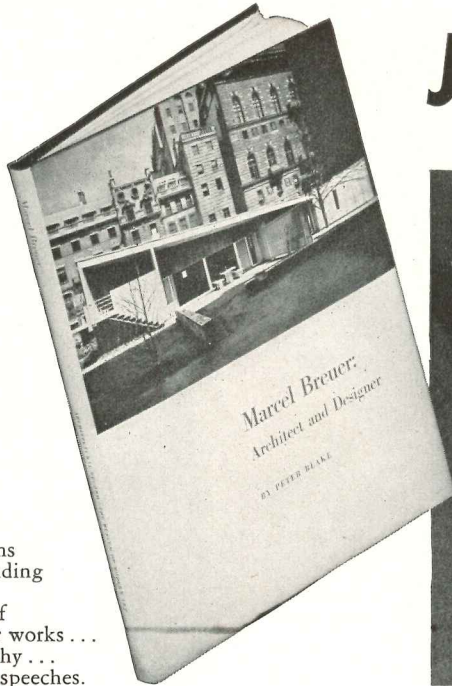
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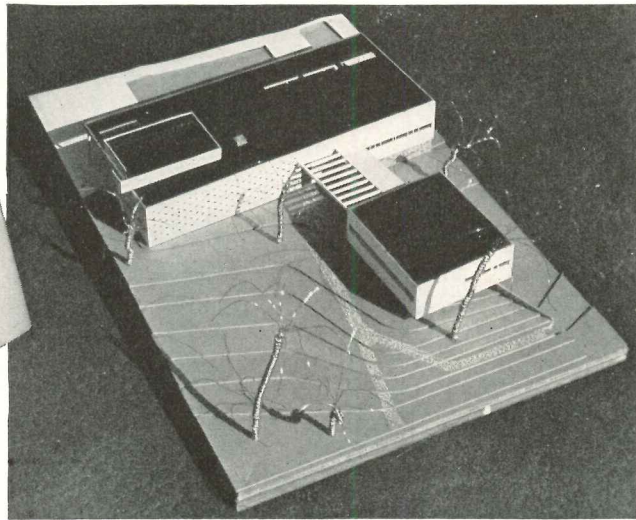
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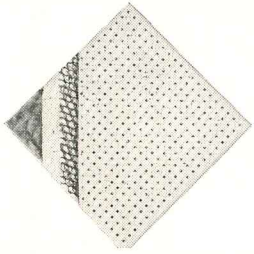
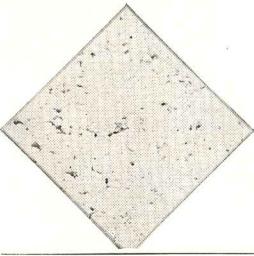
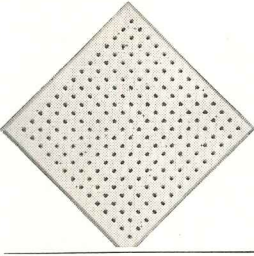
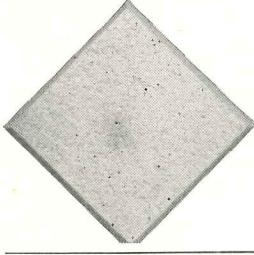

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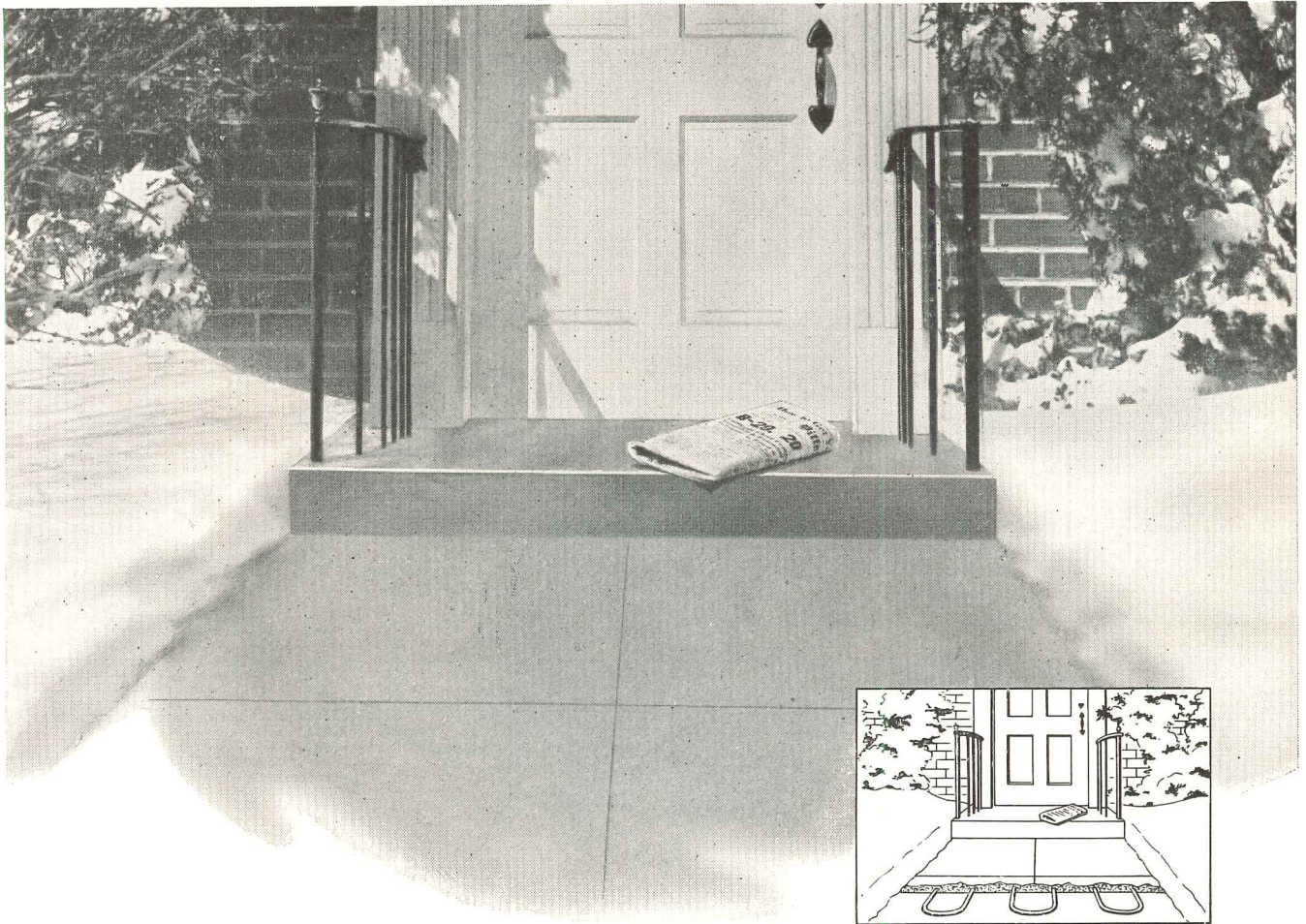
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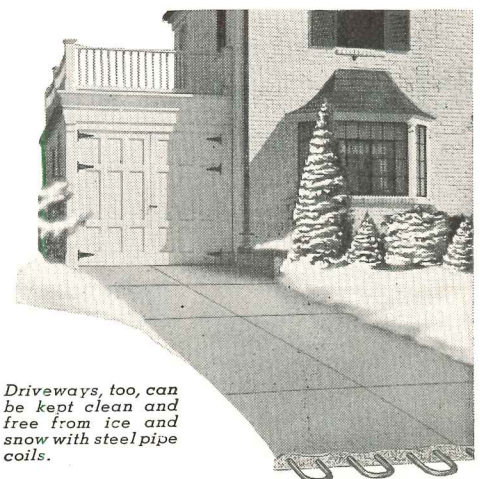
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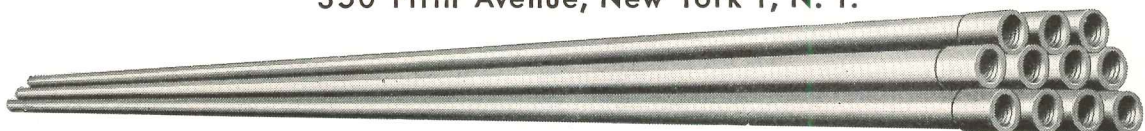


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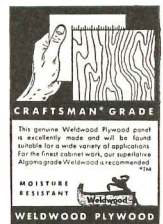
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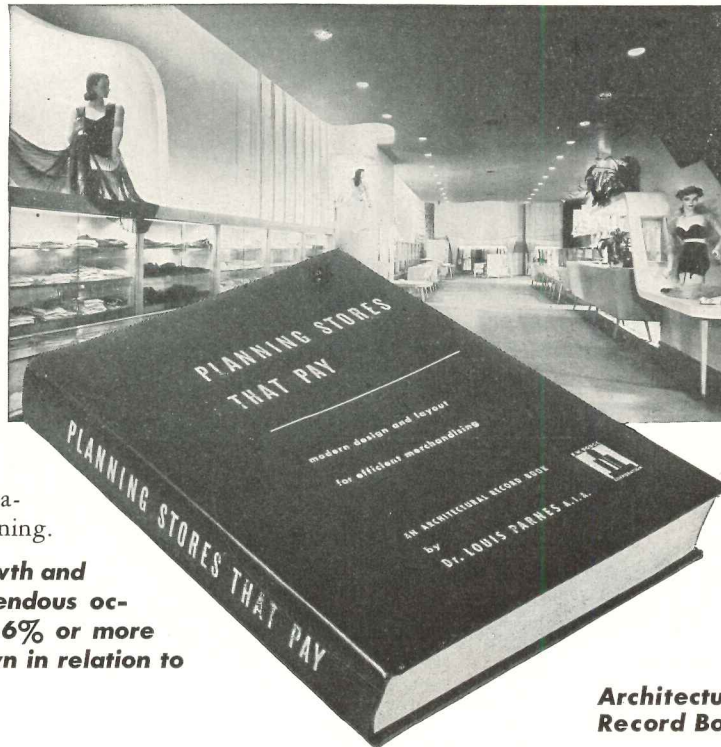
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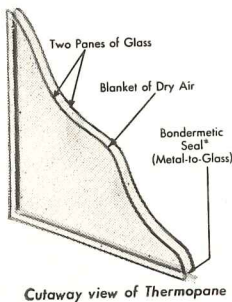
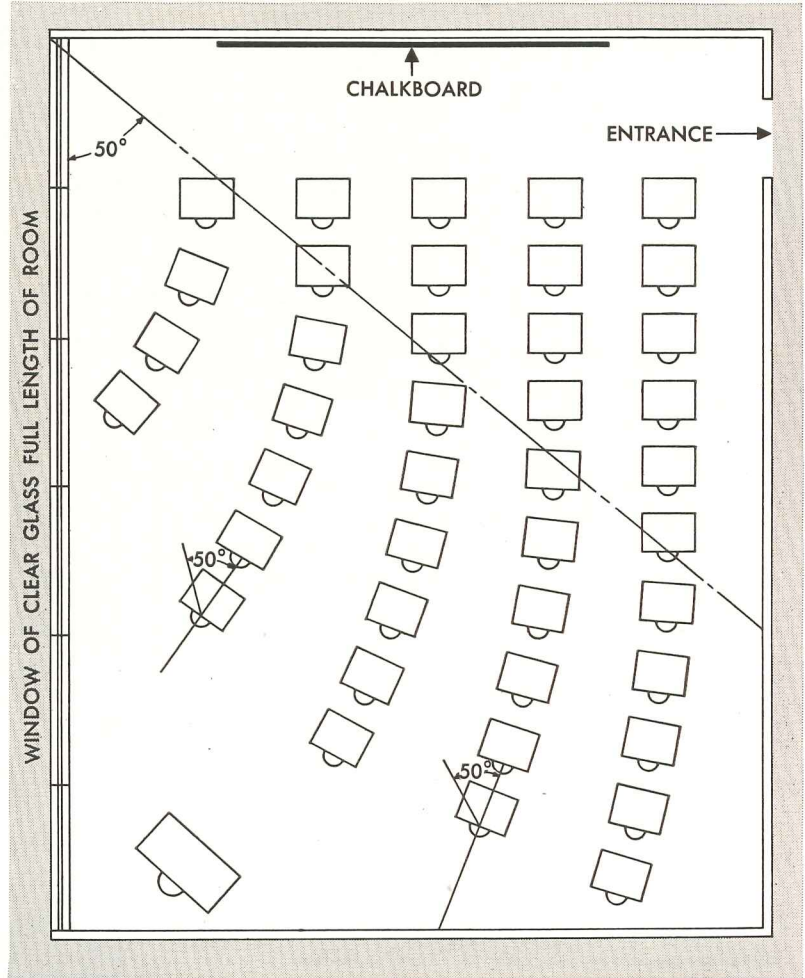
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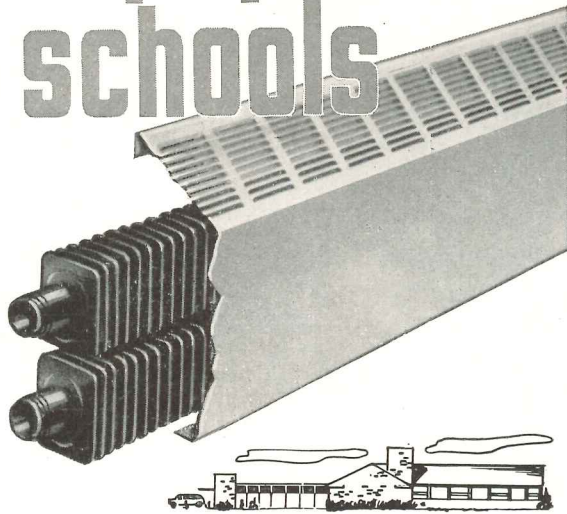
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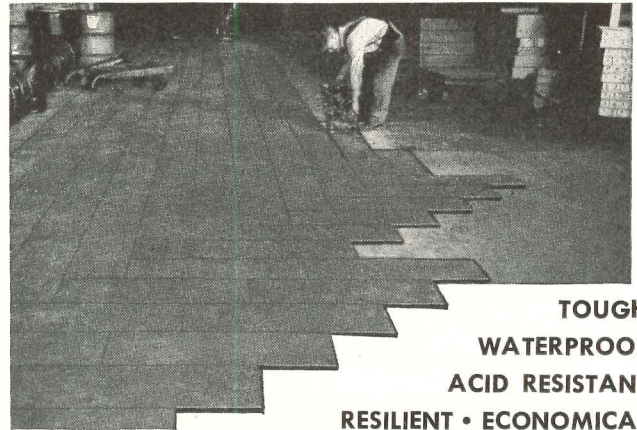
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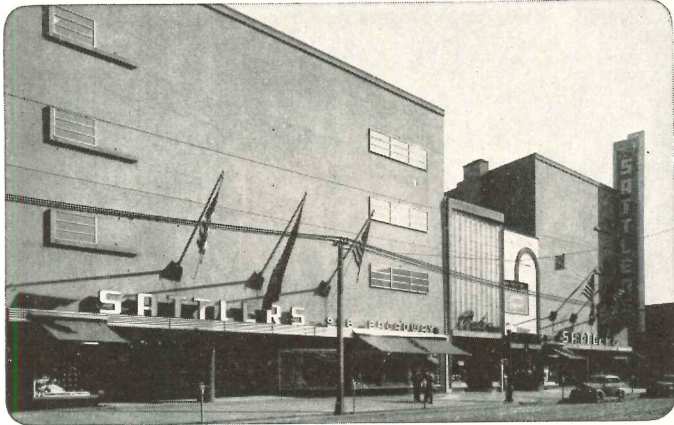
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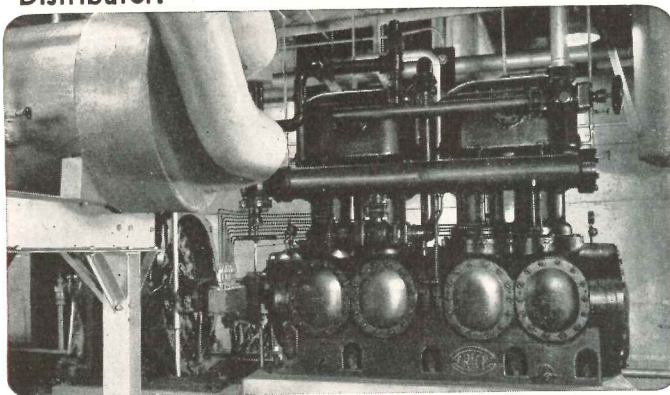
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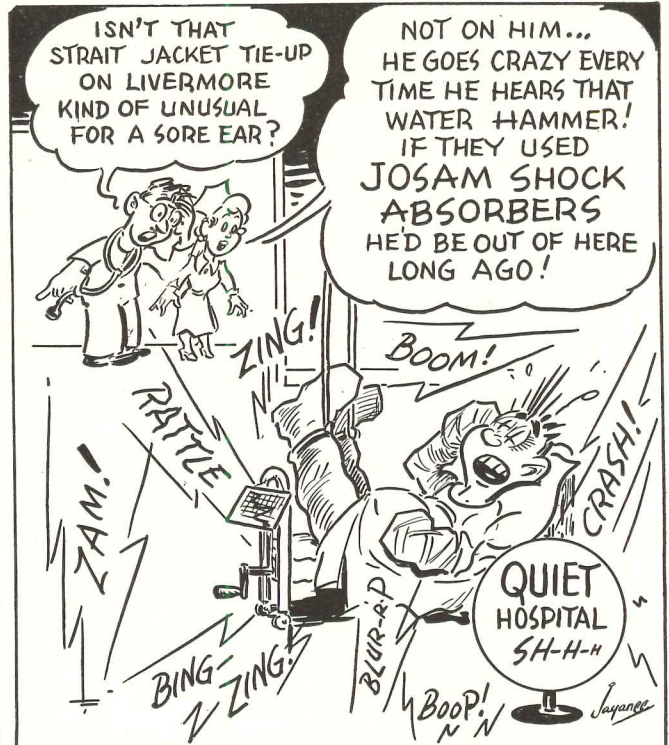
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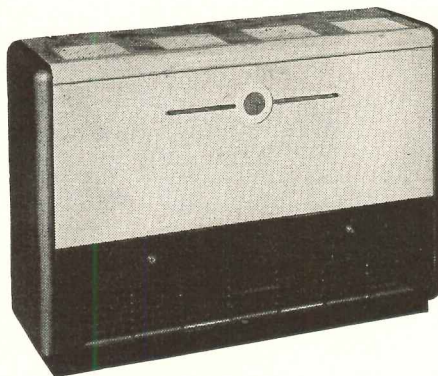
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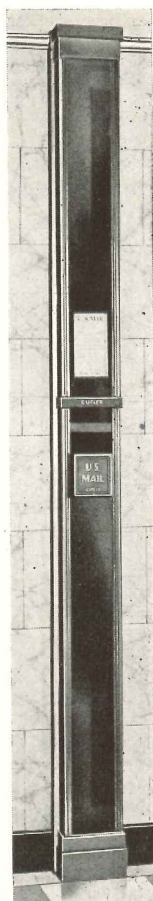
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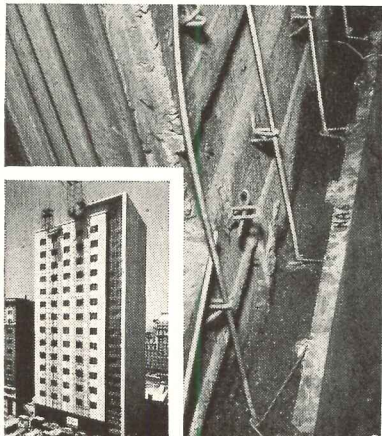
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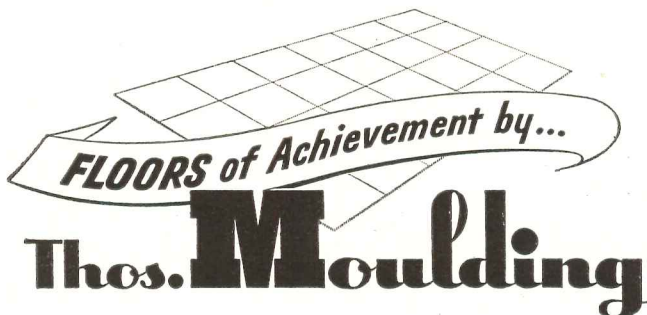
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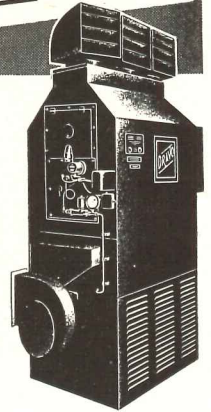
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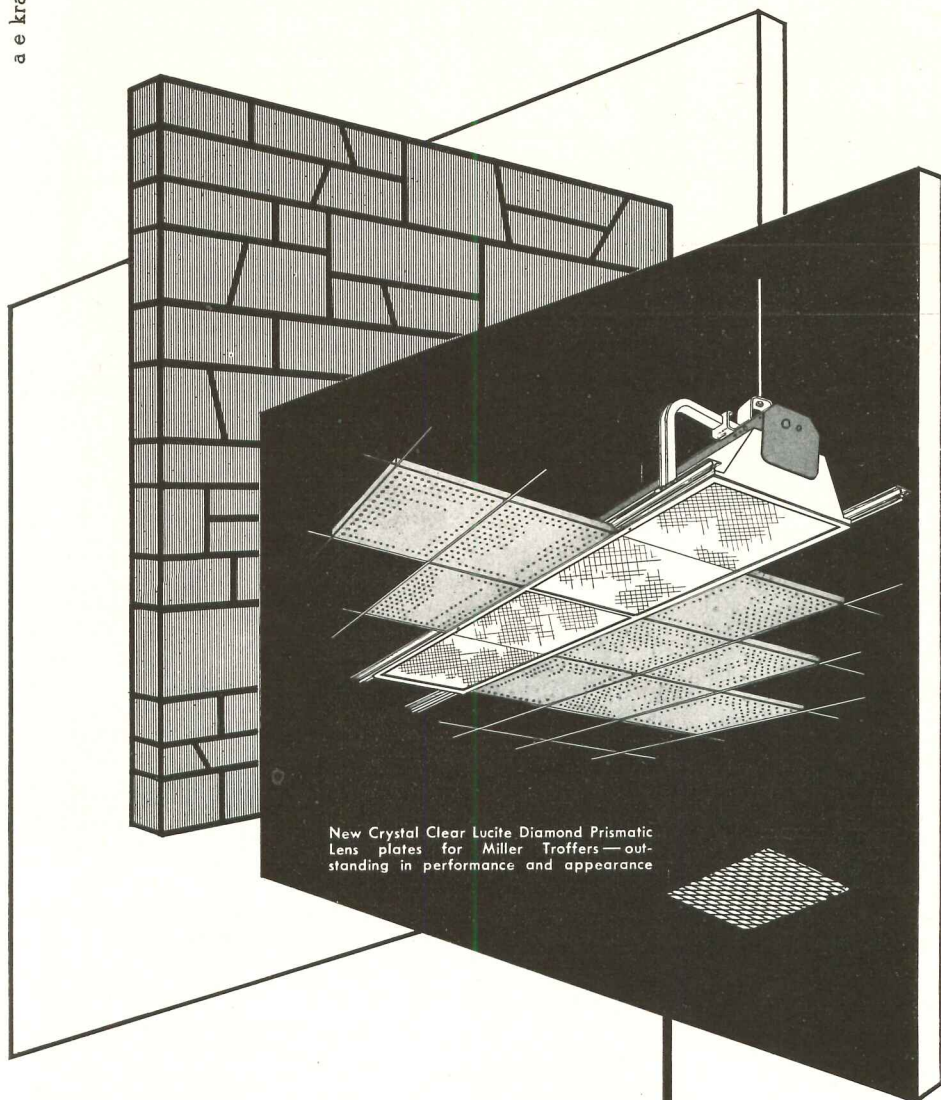
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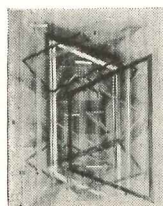


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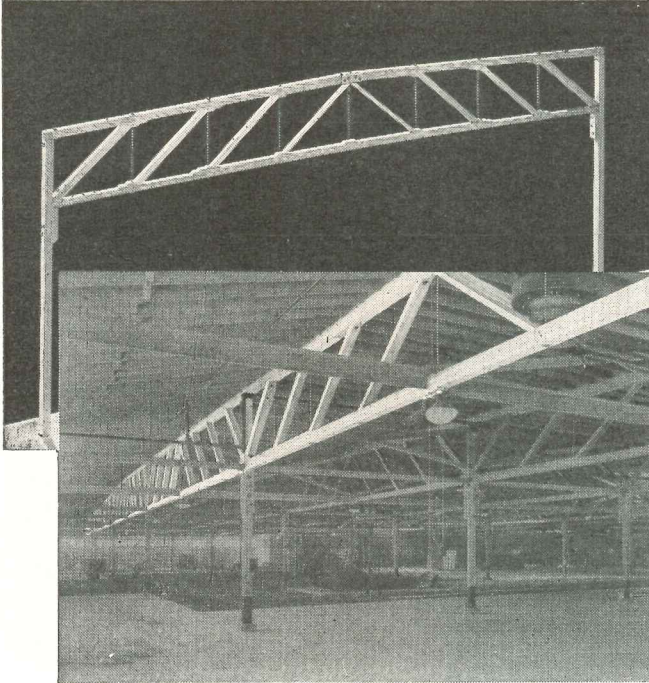
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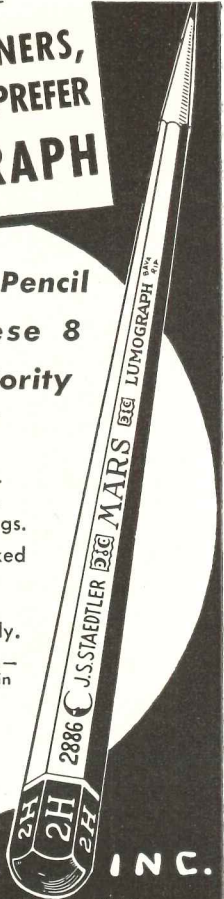
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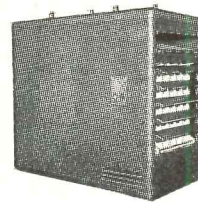
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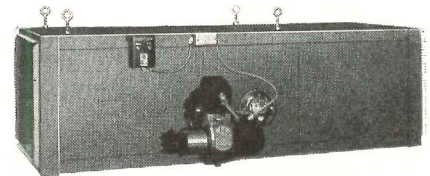


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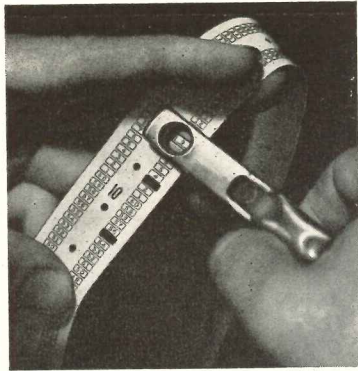


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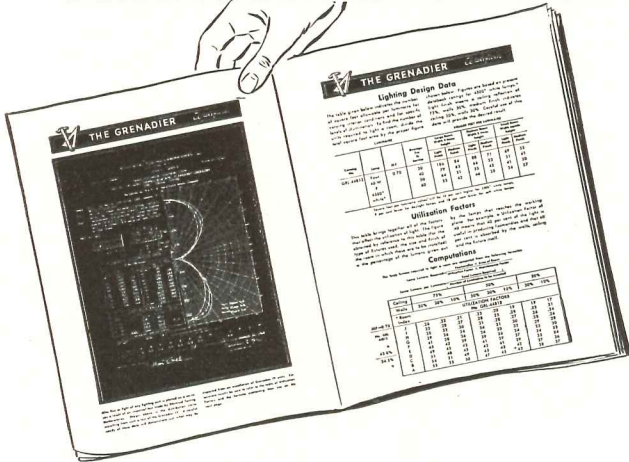
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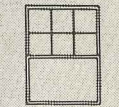
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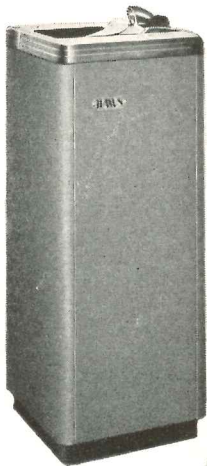
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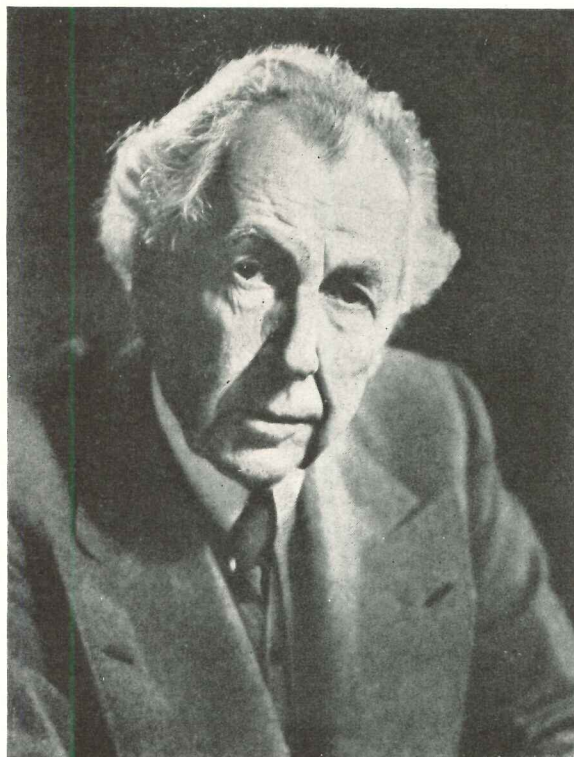
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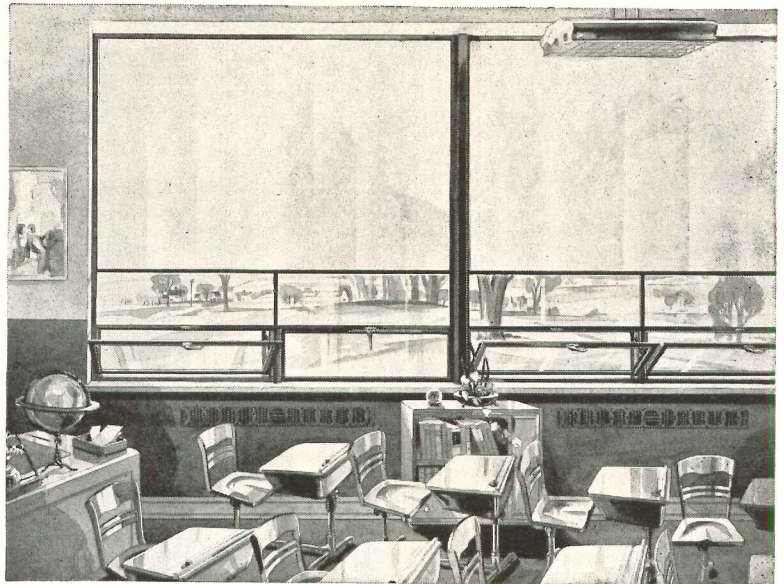




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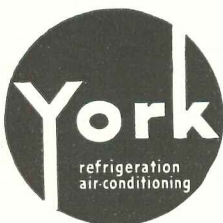
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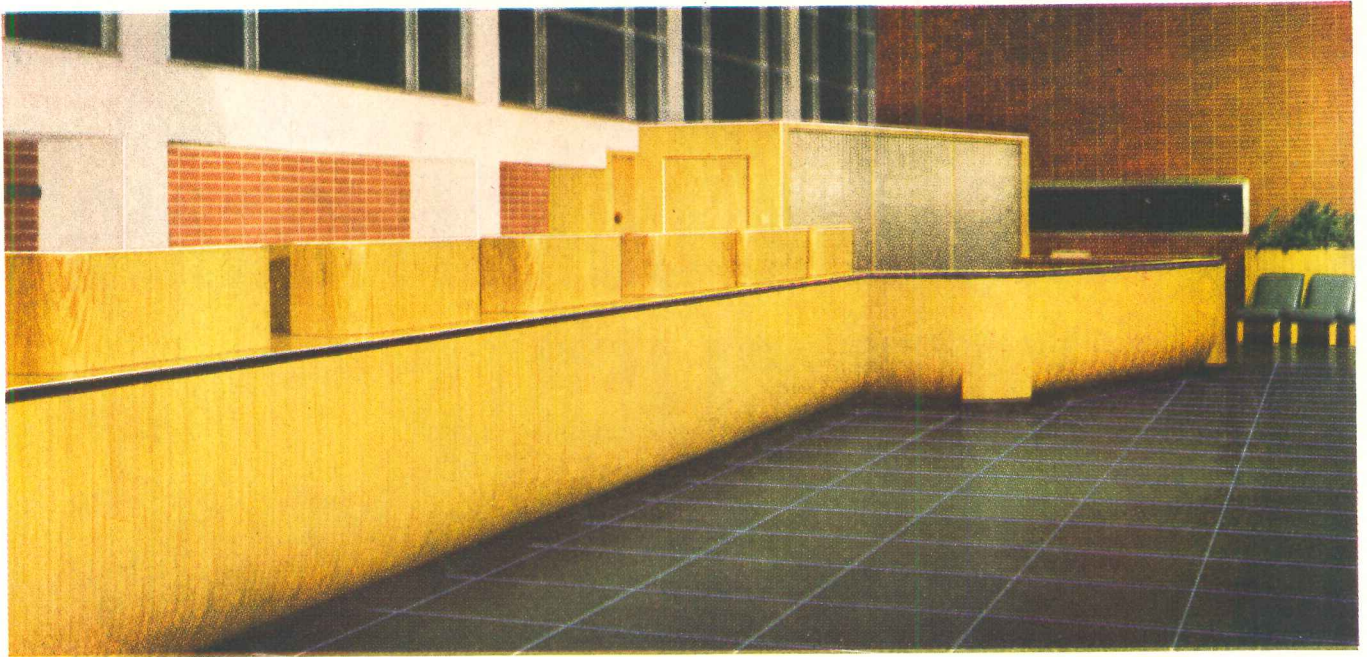
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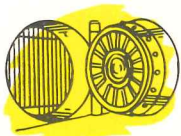
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