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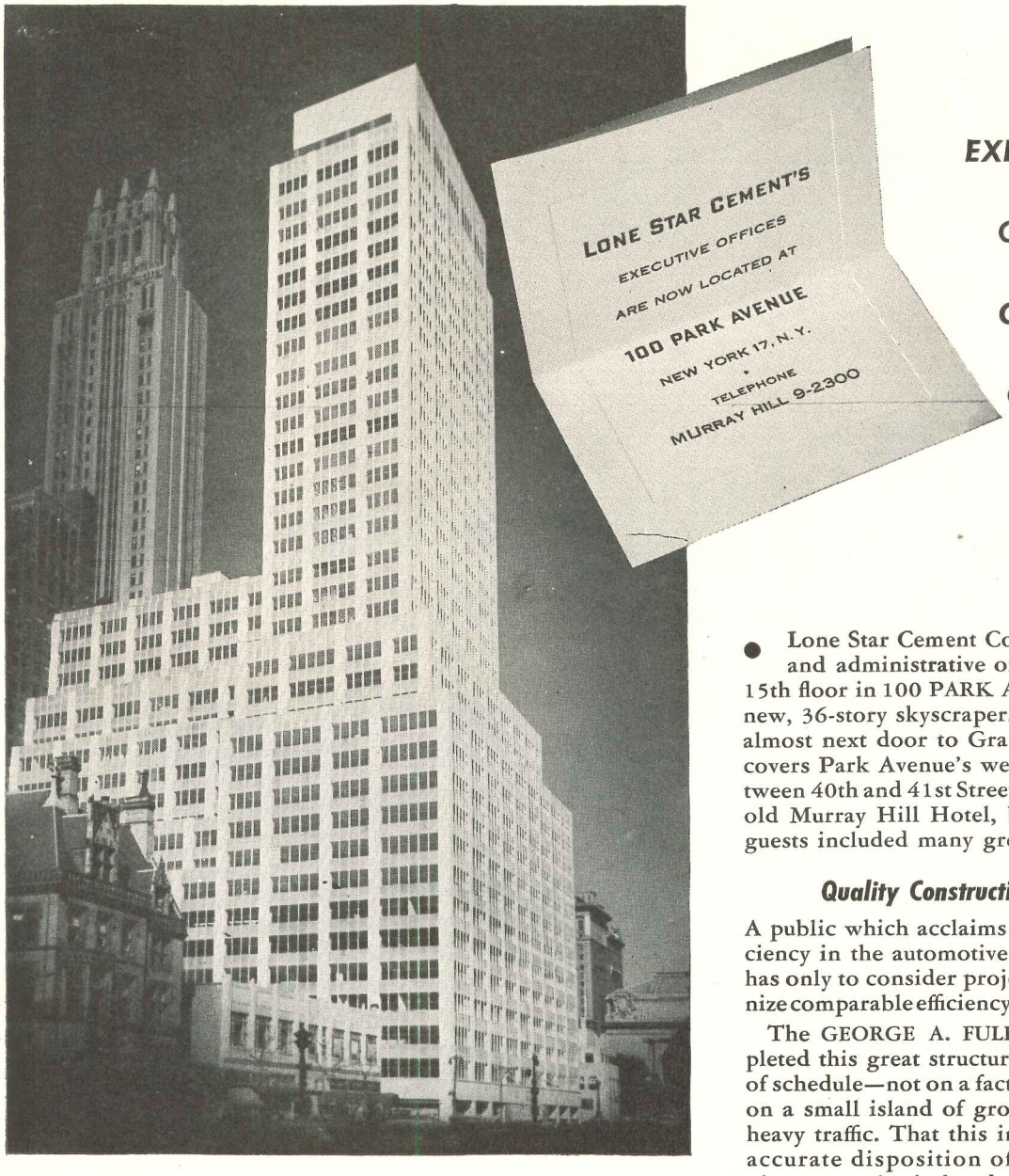


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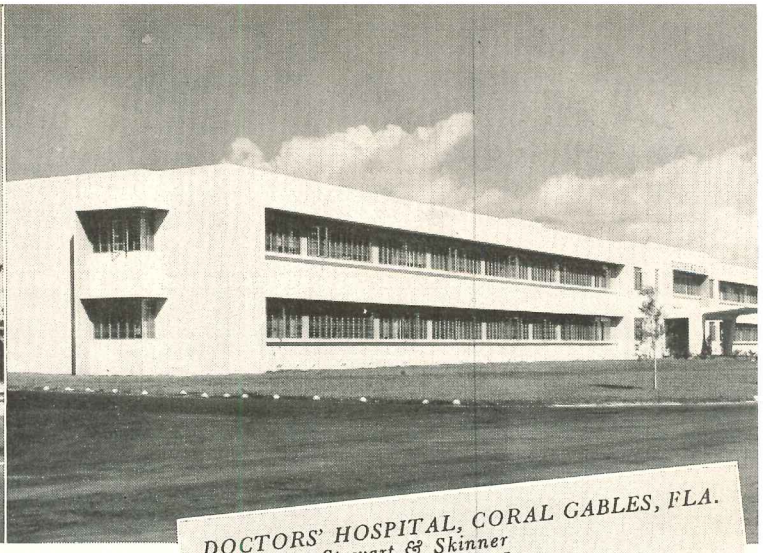

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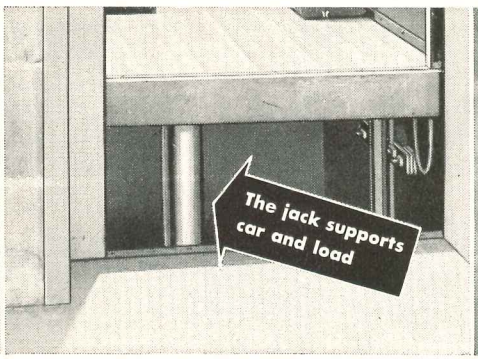


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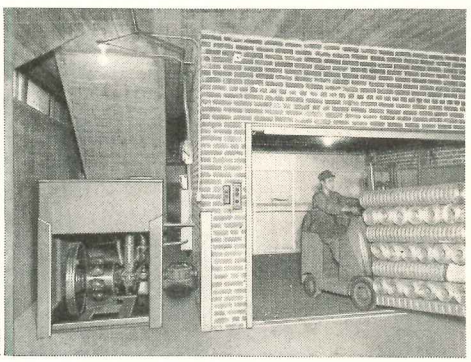

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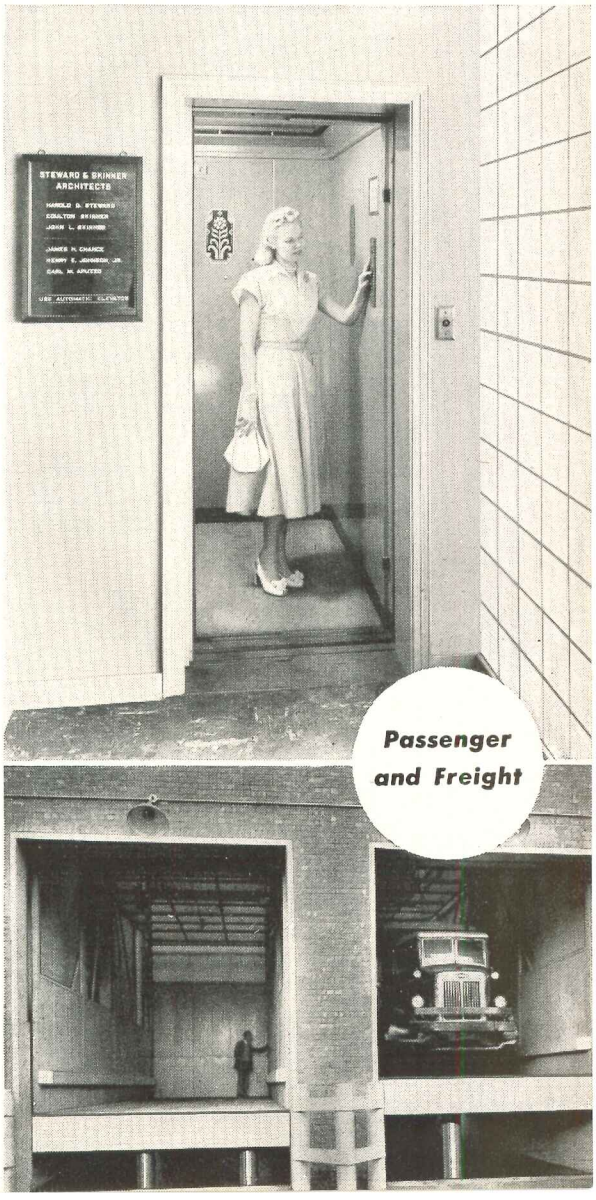


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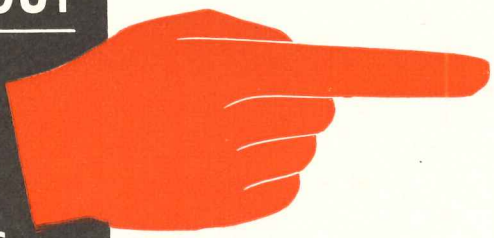

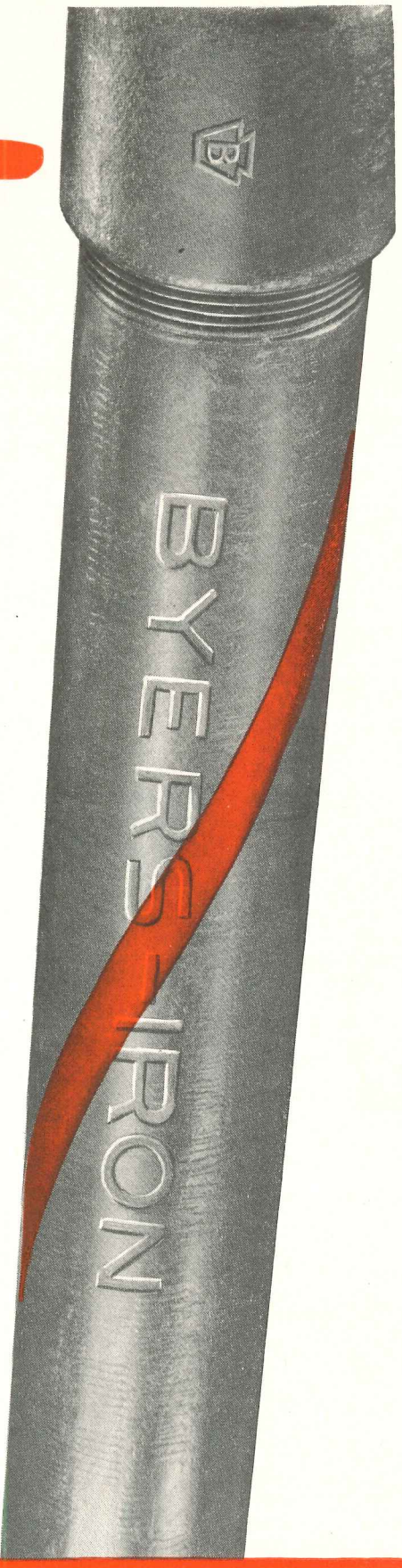


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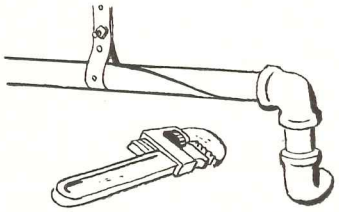

points—by reaming the ends of all pipes, making-up joints properly, pitching lines so there are no low spots, and following good installation practice in other respects. But after you've done all this, the pipe must still carry a highly corrosive fluid, and the only final safeguard is to use a corrosion-resisting material. Engineers all over the country are finding the answer in Byers Wrought Iron pipe.

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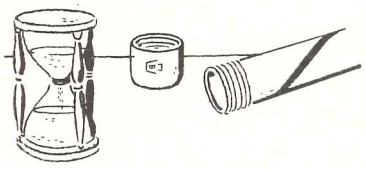

covering 125 buildings located in 25 cities in 17 states revealed wrought iron installations still serving after periods up to 70 years. The fact that such long service was not due to mild conditions was demonstrated by reports on the use of low first-cost materials. In every area, repairs and replacements had been necessary in a fraction of the comparative service life *to date* of wrought iron.

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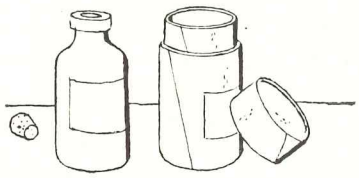

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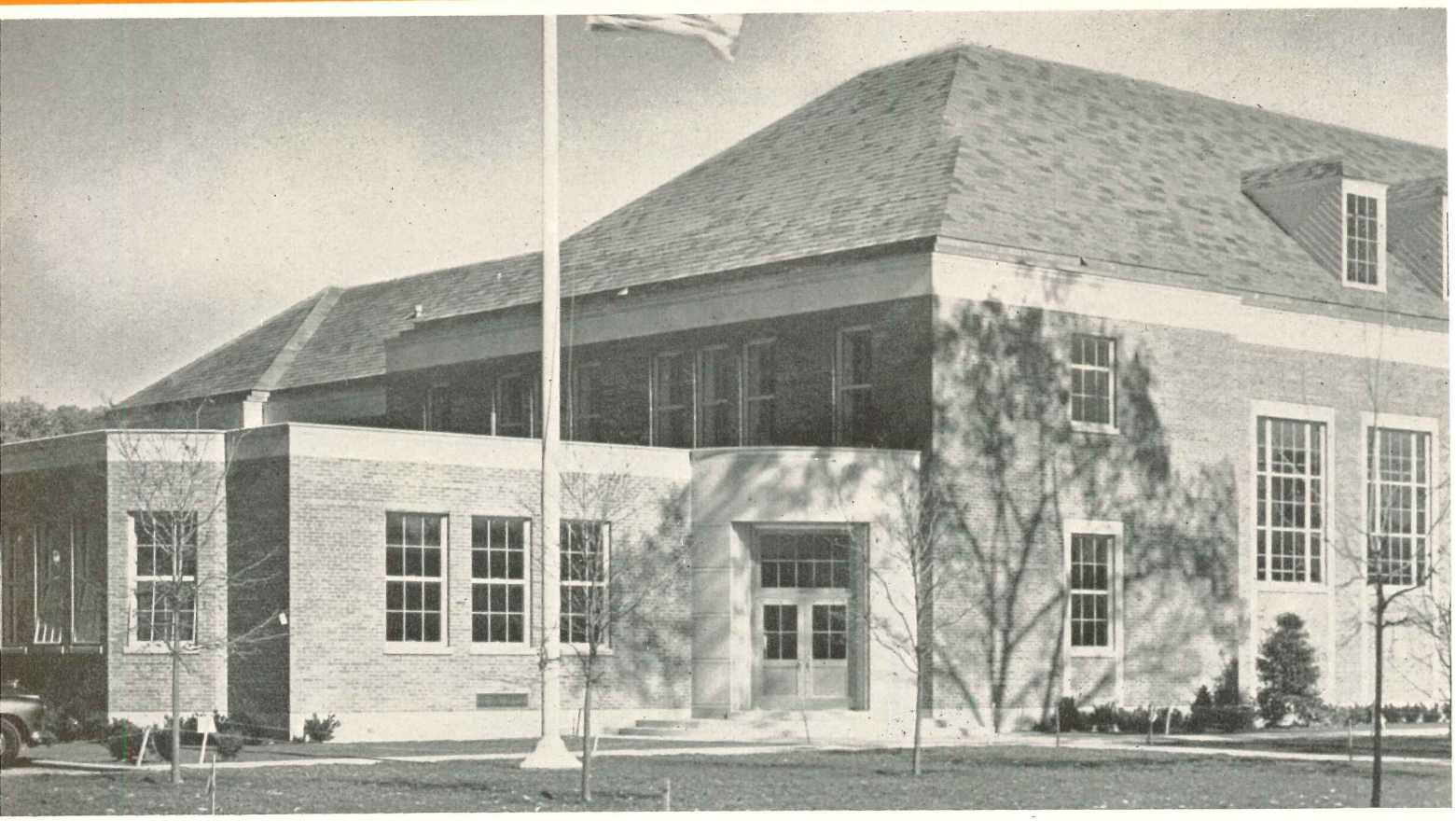

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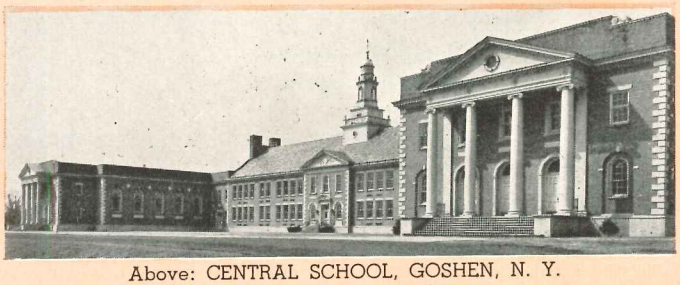

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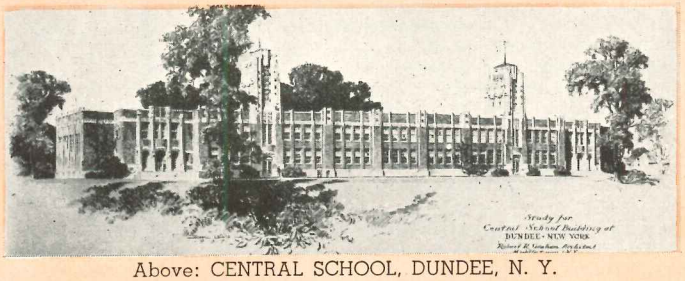

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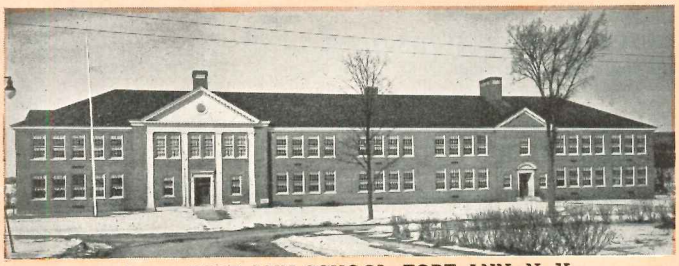

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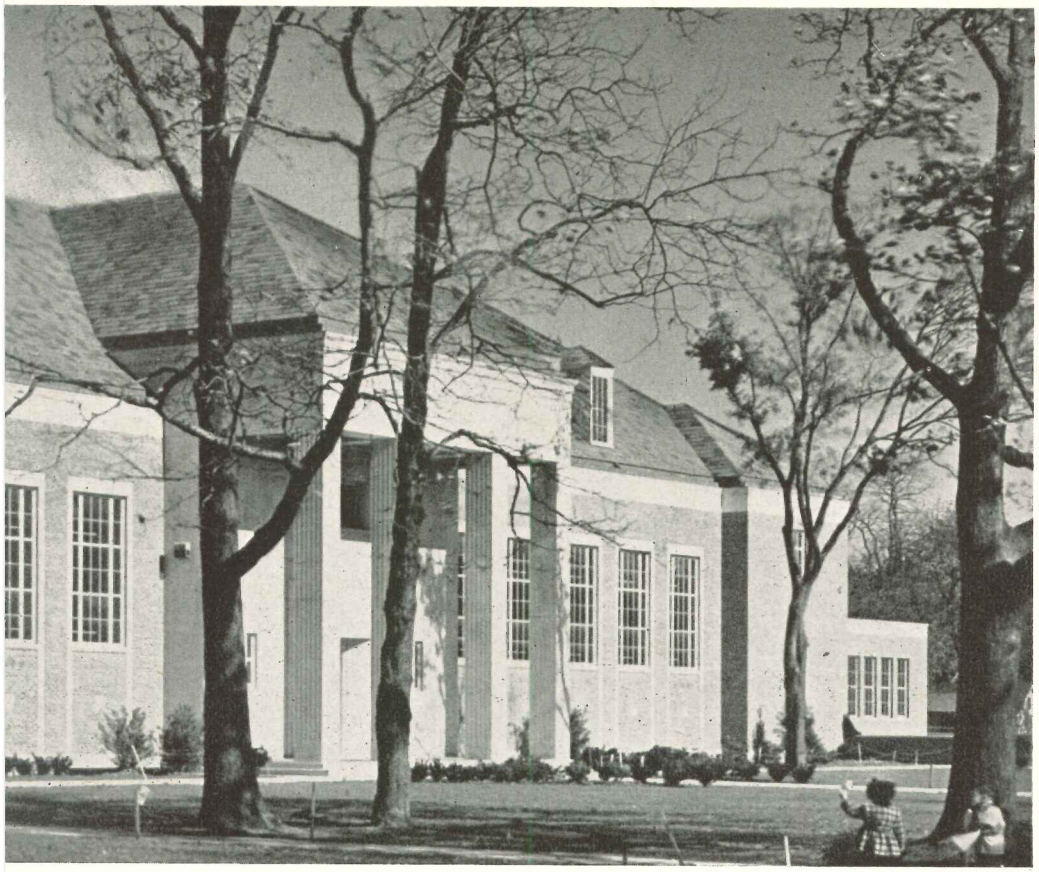

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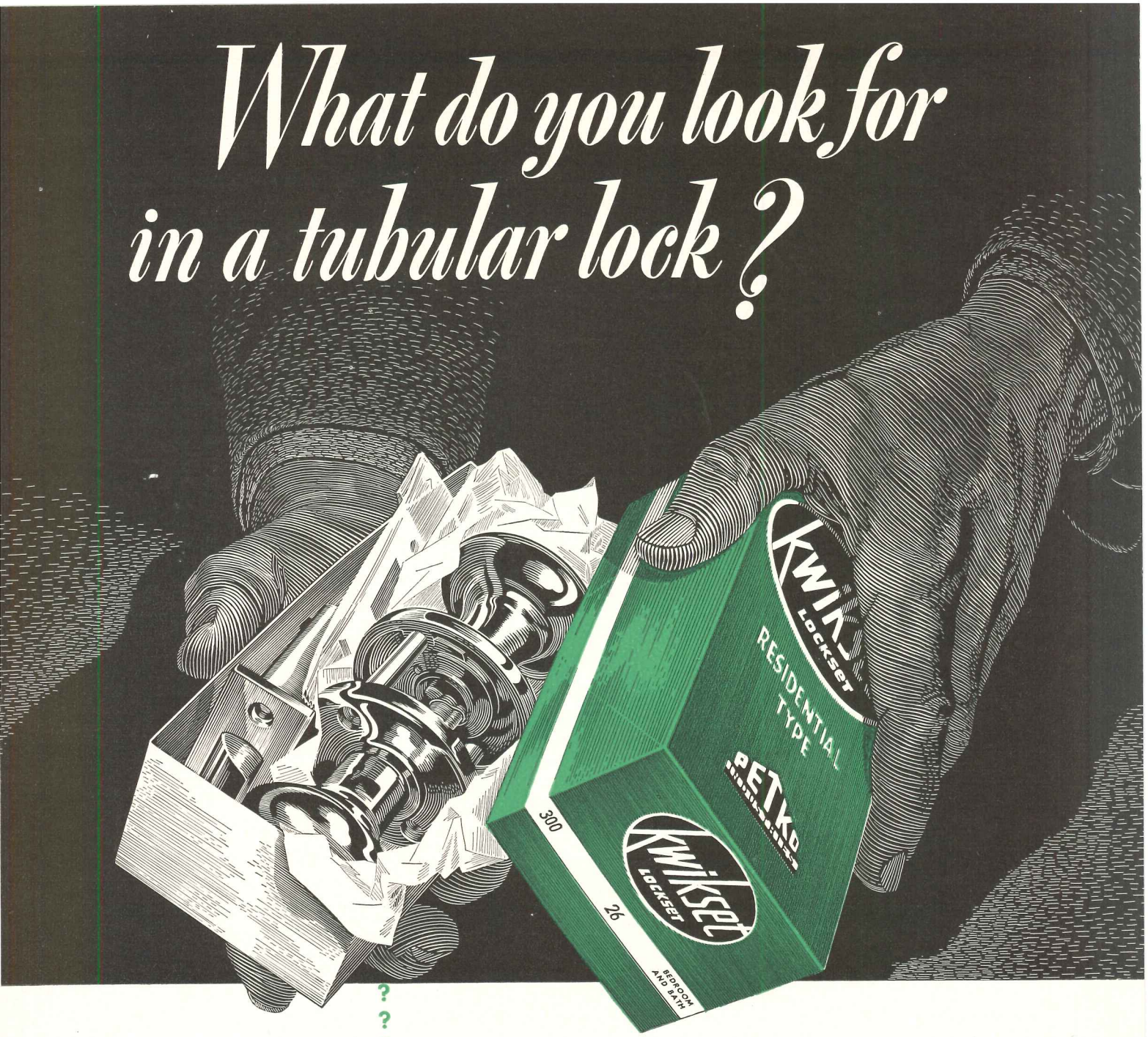


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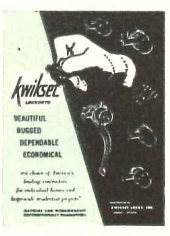


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SIGNS OF BOOM conditions in home construction were plentifully evident at the record-breaking convention of home builders in Chicago.

Aside from the obvious fact that builders are riding the crest of a million-a-year-home wave, RECORD readers will be concerned to note:

1. Clinics and discussions on home design — especially modern design — topped all others in interest among the builders.

2. Growing numbers of speculative — or, more politely, "volume" — builders are retaining competent architects and paying adequate fees for professional services.

3. Trends in residential planning and modern home design advocated by experienced architects for years are at long last being recognized by speculative builders and put into effect in their houses.

4. The two-and-three-quarter million dollar exhibit of equipment and materials — largest on record — showed that manufacturers have made notable strides in bringing postwar products into step with postwar design. This was especially noticeable in connection with a large number of new products involving windows, radiant heating, and slab construction. Many "packaged" home equipment products that cut on-the-job costs were in evidence. These, coupled with improved building techniques being adopted by builders, are bringing home costs down — particularly in volume operations.

### *15,000 Overflow Hotels*

The occasion was the annual convention and exposition of the National Association of Home Builders, February 19–23, at the Stevens, Congress and Palmer House Hotels, in Chicago. Overflowing these and other hotels were some 5000 builders and 10,000 architects, dealers, manufacturers and home finance people.

Seven hundred products, displayed by 179 exhibitors, were spread out in every inch of available space in the Stevens and Congress. The very size and complexity of the convention alone was an indication of the boom conditions in the industry, with simultaneous clinics, discussion panels and ballroom assemblies attended by capacity crowds.

A cautious note was sounded by Frank W. Cortwright, executive vice president of the Association, when he pointed out that building moves in waves or cycles and that "busts" frequently follow hard on booms. But there was little indication that any such unhappy thoughts disturbed the builders who overwhelmed exhibits, meetings, convention halls and dining facilities of the hotels.

Builders were reminded by Rodney Lockwood, N.A.H.B. president, that January home building "starts" were the highest on record, topping January 1949 by 60 per cent. He expressed the belief that a million homes will again be built in 1950.

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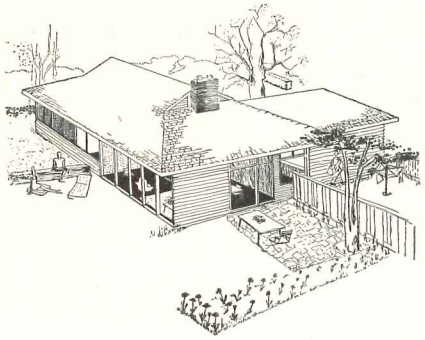
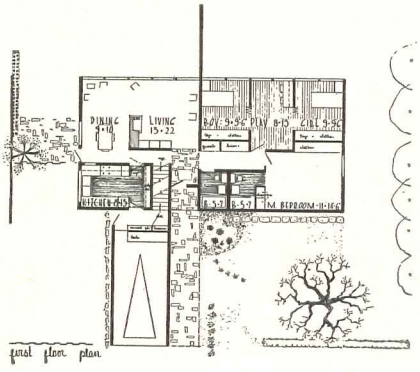
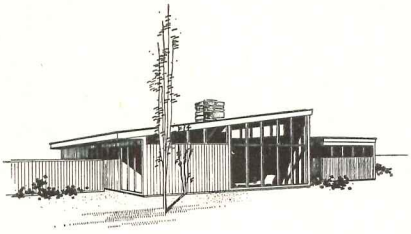
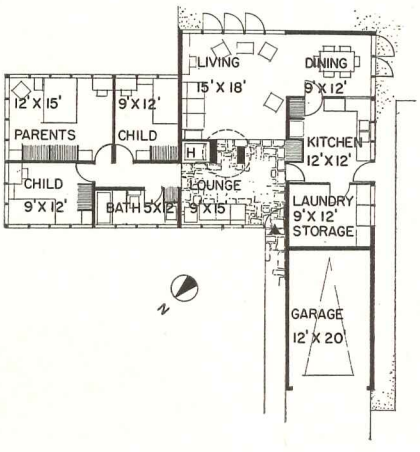


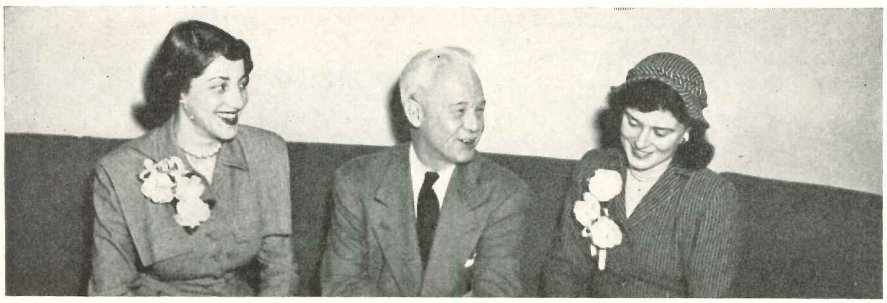


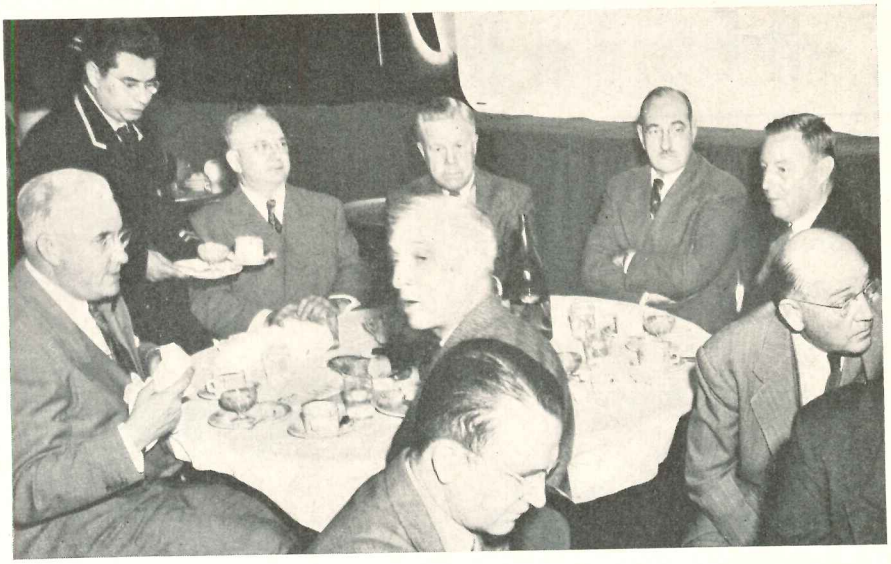

*Prize-winning designs in the competition sponsored by American Builder Magazine. Awards were made at convention. Above: second prize; below: first prize*






*Prizewinners Elizabeth Graham Bell (right) and Sonia Jean Albert with E. J. Gavin*





*At the Kansas City luncheon (left to right): Joseph B. Shaughnessy, Kansas City A.I.A. president; Ernest E. Howard, A.S.C.E. president; Lorenz Schmidt, A.I.A. Central States director; City Manager L. P. Cookingham; Ellsworth Philby, program steering comm. chairman; A. L. Walters, Kansas City C. of C. president. Center: Mayor William E. Kemp*

## KUDOS FOR ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS: KANSAS CITY LOOKS OVER THE RECORD

MEMBERS of the architectural and engineering professions were lauded for their valuable service and accomplishments over a long span of years at a luncheon meeting last month of the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce. The meeting was the 32nd program of a series entitled "Kansas City on Parade" presented under the auspices of the professions and industries, with funds raised by architects and engineers.

Arthur Ellison, of the Kansas City Little Theater, who was the introductory speaker, reviewed the work of the architects and engineers, noting especially the American Society of Civil Engineers, founded in 1852, and the American Institute of Architects, in 1857.

A feature of this meeting was a screen display depicting important services rendered by the architects and engineers in Greater Kansas City. Students of the dramatic department of William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., acted as narrators voicing the accomplishments of the engineers and architects. The "voices" analyzed the following seven operations:

1. Engineers specializing in water supply, sewer systems and sanitation projects.

2. Engineers specializing in power plants, electricity.

3. Engineers specializing in heating, ventilation, air conditioning, plumbing, electric lighting and power wiring for buildings.

4. Engineers specializing in facilities for transportation, airports, railroads, highways, streets, grain elevators and bridges.

5. Architects who design homes for better living.

6. Architects who design housing for commerce and industry.

7. Architects who design schools, hospitals, civic buildings, institutions.

Mr. Ellison in his introductory speech stated that "today in our Kansas City our architects and engineers are recognized for their high ideals, integrity and technical experience." He pointed out that there are in Kansas City today 77 architectural firms, employing approximately 350 persons, and 37 engineering firms employing about 1000 people. Their volume of business for 1948 totaled approximately $25,000,000 and $110,000,000 respectively, he said.

Luther Orville Willis, A.I.A., of Kansas City, reported that only professionals conducting practices of their own were included in the solicitation of funds to carry on this program.

"On the whole," Mr. Willis stated, "we believe the ethical manner in which the program was conducted and the fact that the script was broadcast by a local radio station on two different occasions since, indicated that a most favorable impression has been created in the minds of many laymen in this area regarding the type and quality of service rendered by architects and engineers.

## A.A.S.A. CONVENTION SEES A.I.A.-SPONSORED EXHIBIT

APPROXIMATELY 100 different school plans and models were viewed by many of the 14,000 educators, a record number, attending the 76th annual convention of the American Association of School Administrators. School designs from almost every state in the country were presented at the exhibit, "Schools of Tomorrow," which was held in Atlantic City, February 25 through March 2. This is understood to be the first exhibit of plans to be presented at the full national convention.

Highlights of the schools on display were tendencies toward:

a) greater emphasis on functional architecture as opposed to monumental.

b) leaning to one-story structures, on large plots of land.

c) wide use of bilateral lighting and use of clerestory as compared to unilateral lighting.

d) wide range of newer building materials.

e) several examples of pentagonal and sawtooth designs, especially in California.

f) pastel shades for classroom color.

g) larger classrooms, especially for elementary schools.

The exhibition was set up under the auspices of the A.I.A. The rules required the school illustrated to have been completed since 1945 or to have had the general contract let; all designs to have been done by a registered architect.

The committee handling the school design phase of the exhibit consisted of Shirley Cooper, assistant executive secretary of the A.A.S.A.; Ray Hammond, school building specialist, U. S. Office of Education, Federal Security Administration, Department of the Interior; John Lewis of Baltimore, school building specialist; Howard Dwight Smith, professor of architecture, Ohio State University; and William Caudill, John E. Nichols and Henry Blatner, all practicing architects, from Texas, Connecticut and New York respectively.

*At the exhibit: Ray L. Hammond, chief of school housing, U. S. Office of Education; Asst. A.A.S.A. Secretary Shirley Cooper*

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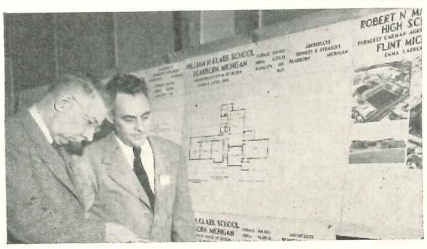
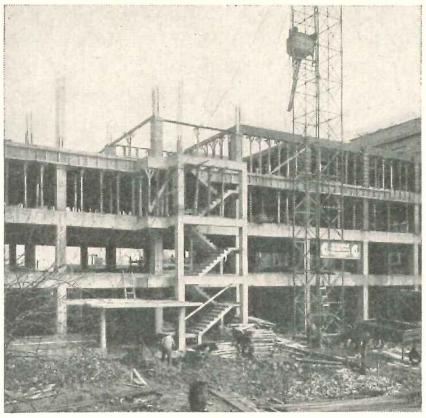
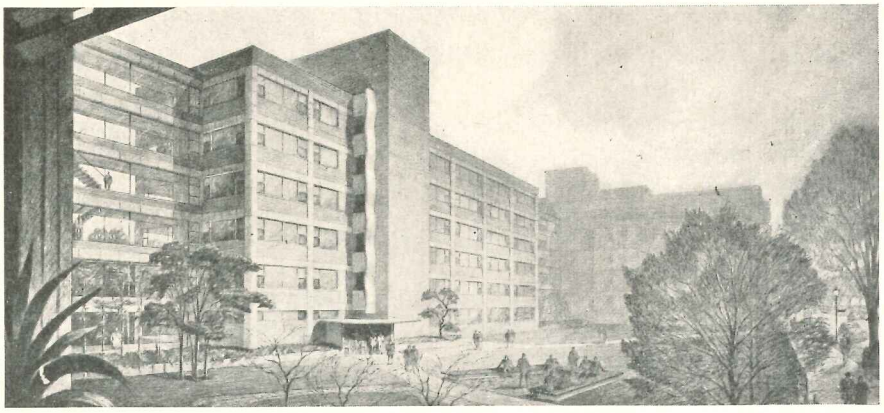






## WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY BUILDS CANCER RESEARCH LABORATORY

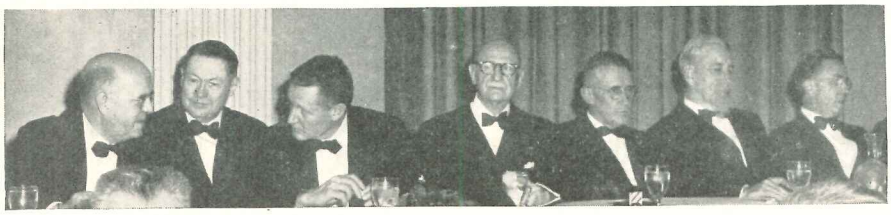
A LABORATORY for cancer research will be completed this summer at Washington University Medical School in St. Louis, the first of a number of new buildings to be constructed for the school.

Located between two existing buildings which date back to the early years of this century, the laboratory forms a continuous connection between them at all levels, and has been planned to achieve the flexibility possible with movable partitions and other present-day techniques. (Above: left, construction photo; right, photo of rendering.)

The new building will be of reinforced concrete frame with brick and limestone trim. Windows are of aluminum and glazing is of blue-green heat-reducing glass.

Cost of the structure, $700,000, is being met jointly by the University and the federal government, each furnishing half of the funds.

Harris Armstrong of Kirkwood, Mo., is the architect.



*At the speakers' table, 36th annual convention, Michigan Society of Architects: (left to right) Andrew R. Morison, H. A. Manley, Edmund R. Purves, Col. George B. Walbridge, William Hazlett Upson, Roger Allen and the Society's president, Alden B. Dow*

## 200 ATTEND 36TH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS

MORE THAN 200 architects and guests were registered at the Michigan Society of Architects' 36th annual convention at Detroit's Hotel Statler March 9 and 10.

A panel discussion on architects and city planning was led by presidents of the three A.I.A. chapters in Michigan: Andrew R. Morison, Detroit; Christian Steketee, Western Michigan; and Donald A. Kimball, Saginaw Valley.

"The Architect's Responsibility to the Young Graduate" was discussed by Charles B. McGrew, George W. Sprau and John Mackenzie.

The Producers' Council took charge of one section with a presentation of "What's New in the Building Industry," supplementing comprehensive displays of members' products.

Eleven hundred attended the banquet, at which Col. George B. Walbridge of Walbridge-Aldinger Co., general contractors, received an award for service to the building industry. William Hazlett Upson was the speaker, and Roger Allen, A.I.A., toastmaster.

Carl B. Marr, A.I.A., of Detroit, was convention chairman.

## STRESS SMALL HOUSES AT WILLIAMSBURG SYMPOSIUM

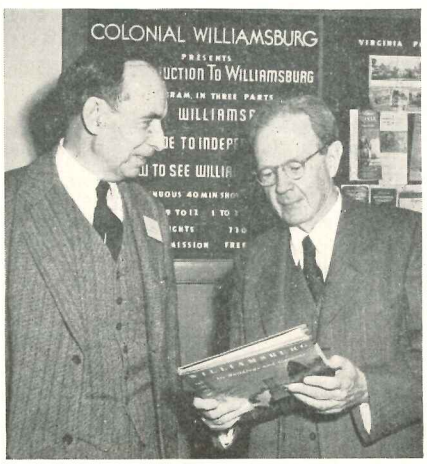
ARCHITECTS, landscape architects and interior decorators were sprinkled among 300 people from 24 states at the fourth Colonial House & Garden Symposium held in two separate but similar sessions last month at Williamsburg, Va.

The symposium, broadened this year to include talks and discussions on small houses, was sponsored by *House & Garden* and Colonial Williamsburg, Inc.

Harvard Dean Joseph Hudnut's opening talk, "We Are No Longer Colonials," created a mild flurry when it evoked newspaper headlines like the *New York Herald Tribune's* "Harvard Dean Is Critical of Williamsburg." What Dean Hudnut intended, as he was busy reiterating next day, was a protest against copying without understanding. Houses must express the "temper of life," he said.

Prof. Carroll L. V. Meeks of Yale discussed design of Colonial houses in New England in the first session, as did Consultant William G. Perry of Colonial Williamsburg in the second. A. Lawrence Kocher, Colonial Williamsburg Records Editor, covered Colonial house design in Virginia at both sessions.

*Mr. Kocher (left) and Dean Hudnut in talk*



## APARTMENT DESIGN PRIZE-WINNERS ANNOUNCED

### *Iowa State Senior Is First in Timber Engineering Competition*

MAURICE E. FREITAG, 25-year-old senior student in architecture at Iowa State College, Ames, Ia., has won the $1500 First Major Award in the architectural prize competition sponsored by the Timber Engineering Co.

Mr. Freitag's design for an eight-family residential building of wood frame construction was adjudged best of 276 entries submitted by practicing architects and architectural students in the nationwide competition.

Student entries were also judged in a separate category; and in this division the first prize of $500 has been awarded to Emmit A. Ingram Jr., a senior student in architecture at Texas A. and M. University, College Station, Tex.

Other major awards were made as follows: Second Prize ($750) — C. E. Stade, architect, and M. J. Dolan, engineer, Chicago, Ill.; Third Prize ($500) — R. T. Morrisett, architect, Springfield, Ill.

These student awards were also given: Second Prize ($250) — Allan B. Mitchell, Carnegie Tech; Third Prize ($150) — Milton Holtzman, Georgia Tech.

In addition, there were 10 major Honorable Mentions ($100) and seven student Honorable Mentions ($50).

The general problem of the competition, which had the approval of the Committee on Competitions of the American Institute of Architects, was the design and plot layout of a residential building of wood frame construction with wood exterior finish. The building was to provide living accommodations for eight families of such sizes as would be encountered in a rental project catering to moderate income groups. The contest located the building in a suburban area where ample ground on the site was available for service, parking, play, garden and lawn areas. It was requested that designs postulate a building similar in scale and character to a well-planned single family residence in privacy, appeal and opportunity for use of outdoor space.

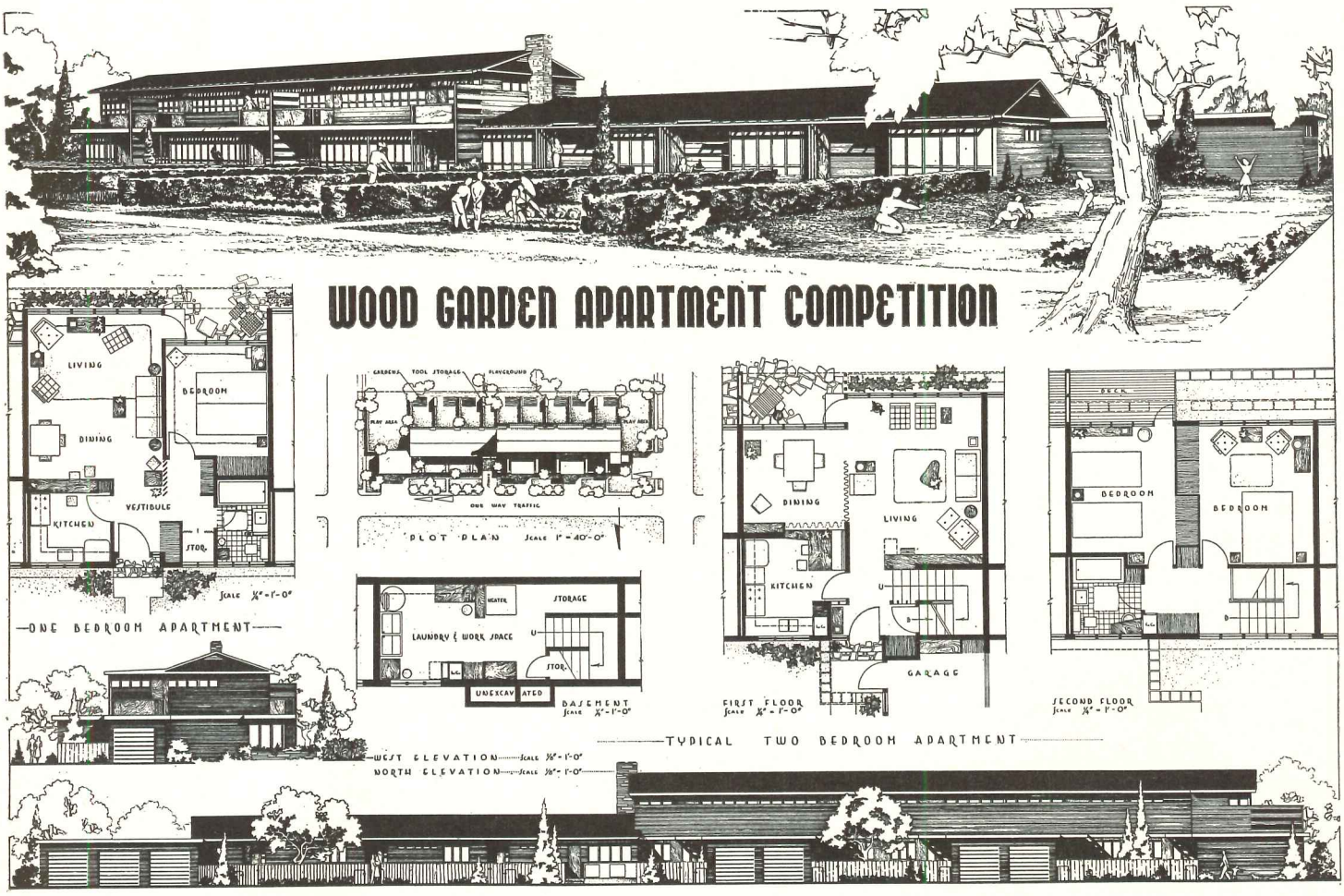
Mr. Freitag's first prize design was conceived for a location at Fort Dodge, Ia., described as follows: "The plot is at the northern end of a large block with the apartment forming the northern part of a perimeter composed of private dwellings. The interior of the block provides an area of community green and gravelled play areas."

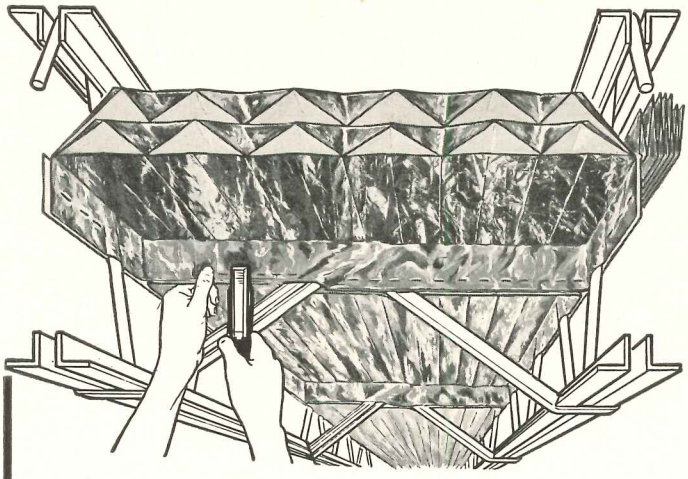
The modern character of Mr. Freitag's entry has been achieved without resort to bizarre detail. The judges felt the building had been well oriented for sun and view, and that apartment units had been planned with good circulation. It was also noted that garages had been well related to the entrance of duplex apartments, and that the north (front) elevation had been skillfully designed.

Members of the Jury of Awards were: George W. Petticord Jr., A.I.A., Washington, D. C.; John M. Walton, A.I.A., Washington, D. C.; Edward R. Carr, Builder, Washington, D. C. Lawrence M. Stevens, Architect, of Washington, D. C., was professional adviser.

Copies of the Jury Report are available from: Timber Engineering Co., 1319 18th St., N.W., Washington 6, D. C.

*Below: Maurice E. Freitag's First Major Award-winning board for the Timber Engineering Co. apartment competition*





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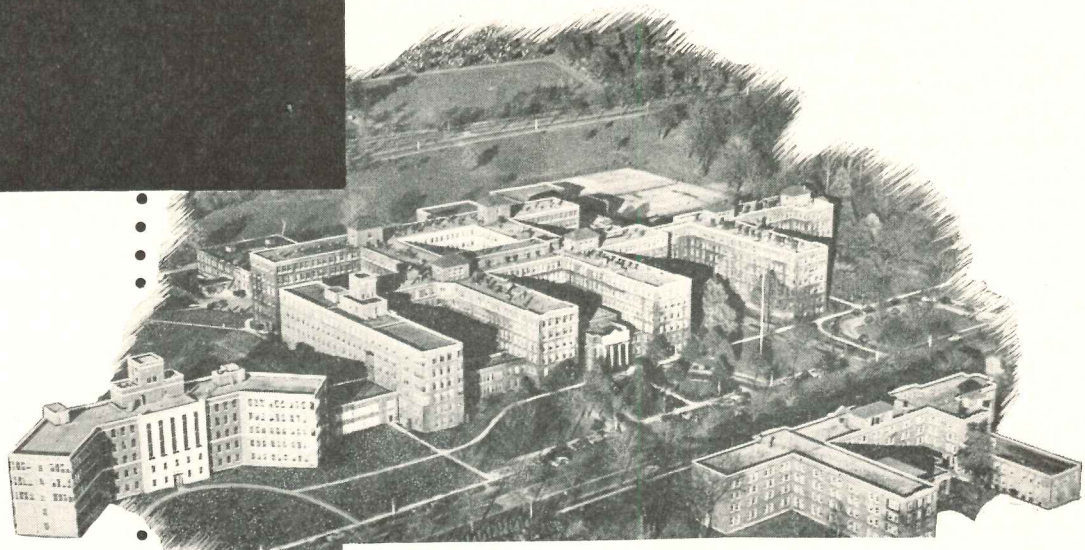

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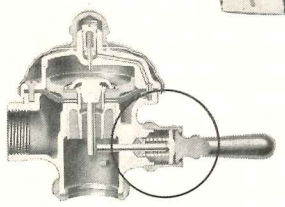

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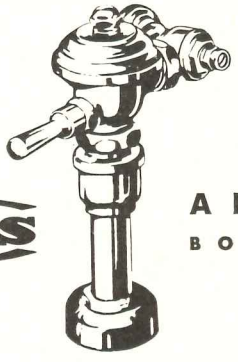

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## WASHINGTON NEWS *by Ernest Mickel*

***Title VI Expires: What Happens to "Dangling" Programs? Sparkman Bill Concedes Need for Larger Houses; GSA Sees Construction Industry at Postwar Turning Point***

CONGRESS permitted Title VI (Sec. 608) National Housing Act to expire March 1 and temporarily failed to take any action on the Title I and II programs, thereby injecting the usual amount of confusion and uncertainty into the operations of the housing industry. True, architects and builders had been warned by federal housing officials and members of Congress as well that they could expect these events — at least there was repeated assurance that the Sec. 608 rental housing insurance program would end. Nevertheless, as March began, Federal Housing Administration field offices were swamped with their application backlogs and the whole construction industry waited to see how Congress would resolve, if indeed it would resolve, the newly posed problem of dangling programs.

The government's economy housing program, hinging on the continued operations under Title II, appeared to be in no danger despite delays permitted by Congress. The $8.5 billion revolving fund was returning several million dollars for loan insurance on small homes each month. FHA officials admitted that if no further money authorizations were forthcoming from Congress "in a few weeks," the Title II small homes program would slow down to its more normal course of two years ago. There has been a synthetic stimulation of the Title II activity over the past 20 months or so which would certainly disappear if the current revolving fund total had to be relied on for full operations.

The middle-income housing bill, however, as it was reported out by the Senate Banking Committee a month ago, proposed to increase the amount by $1750 million — $750 million to be made available immediately and $1 billion later at the discretion of the President.

Thus the tendencies during March pointed toward a return of the housing insurance programs to prewar purposes. The regular permanent mortgage insurance provided under Title II was first set up in 1934 for sale and rental housing, based on the long-term economic value (as a basis for valuation) rather than on necessary current costs. The latter phrase, applying to such "emergency" measures as the Sec. 608 rental housing program, had its warborn critical connotation. This is reflected in the Banking Committee's report on Sen. Sparkman's middle-income housing bill, S. 2246: "Unlike the periodic authorizations under Title VI, the Title II authorization was intended to provide a permanent revolving fund related to the outstanding obligations of insured mortgages."

Now, with the Title VI provisions definitely out of the picture, architects and builders will be turning to what advantages they can find in Title II sections. Even before Congress finally acted on the legislation, FHA field offices were told to inform applicants for Sec. 608 commitments that they may have the option of converting the 608s requested to Sec. 207 under Title II. If they decided to convert, they would be credited with fees paid. If cost estimating had been completed by the FHA office on the 608 application, but no commitment had been issued prior to expiration of the program March 1, applicants were told their fees would not be returned.

No new application was necessary to convert. It was required merely that the proposed construction meet all the requirements of Sec. 207, Title II, which varied in considerable detail from the former Sec. 608 requirements under Title VI.

(Under the expired section, FHA insured up to $9000 per unit or 90 per cent of the cost. If Congress put through the middle-income bill, and thereby amended the National Housing Act, insurance of 90 per cent of the first $7000 and 60 per cent of the balance up to $10,000 would be provided.)

During the past few months the Title II authorization has been used up at an average monthly rate of $178 million. It is therefore essential, says the Banking group, that an increase be provided.

### *Larger Houses Needed*

Congress was beginning to recognize the legitimate complaint of architects that they cannot plan, and builders that they connot construct, housing of adequate size under federal programs

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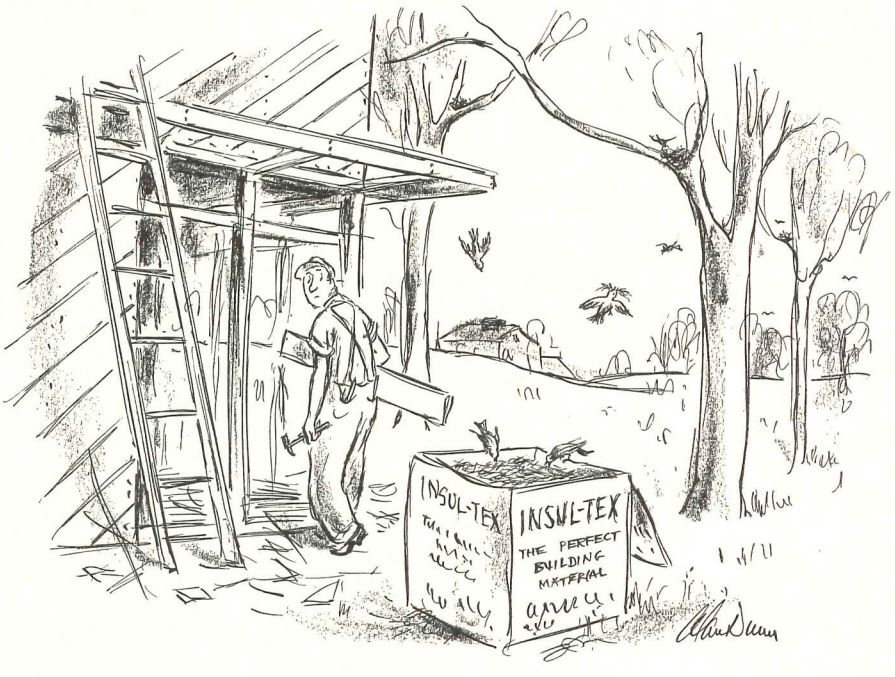


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of limiting benefit. The Banking Committee of the Senate put it this way: "The testimony presented to your committee indicated that it is generally difficult, if not impossible, for a builder to erect a three- or four-bedroom house at a cost that will permit him and the purchaser to receive full advantage of mortgage insurance on the most favorable terms."

This general language of the committee means that it is convinced, from the arguments given it by builders, that the law should be changed to provide more incentive to the planning and construction of homes with more space. This is expressed in the terms "three-bedroom and four-bedroom houses."

To achieve such a goal — design and erection of larger homes, particularly in metropolitan areas where the need is felt to be greatest — the Sparkman bill would do this:

Amend Sec. 203 (b) (2) (D) of the National Housing Act to authorize insurance of a 30-year mortgage which does not exceed $6650, or 96 per cent of the value of the property up to not more than $7000 value. This boosts the present maximum eligible mortgage amount by $650 for the most liberal FHA insurance. It provided further that if the FHA Commissioner finds it not feasible, within this increased dollar amount limitation, to construct dwellings with three or four bedrooms each without sacrifice of sound standards of construction, design and livability, he may increase the eligible mortgage amount by $950 or less for each additional bedroom in excess of two. The total amount of the mortgage under this section thus could not exceed $7600 on a three-bedroom house valued at $8000, or $8550 on a four-bedroom house valued at $9000.

### *Progress of the Legislation*

Writers of the bill said they expected FHA to proceed immediately with a re-examination of its minimum property requirements. It was expected to make changes necessary to bring the additional benefits outlined above to the home construction industry. Congress appears to be convinced that minimum standard changes must accompany lib-

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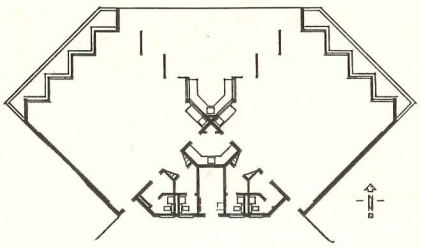

*Above: Floor plan, typical classroom unit*

## "TWO SIDES FACE NORTH" IN NEW LAKELAND SCHOOL

CLASSROOMS with "two sides of each room facing north" are under construction at Lakeland School in the Little Lake school district, Santa Fe Springs, Calif.

Ralph C. Flewelling and Walter L. Moody, the architects, in describing this project report that the revolutionary design of the classrooms will give the buildings a unique appearance and use, through its ceiling-to-ceiling windows, forming a triangle of window-wall area for each room. Plywood louvers and glass panels are set at 90 deg angles.

According to the architects, the panel fins are 5 ft apart, and oriented directly north and south to form a series of large vertical louvers. The 5-ft floor space between the panels is filled with steel sash running from floor to ceiling, and facing directly north. This forms a series of 90 deg triangles composing the northeast and northwest walls of glass and louvers. The ceilings are of asbestos fibre, pitched in two directions to get the greatest amount of reflected light.

Lakeland School will have six double classroom buildings, including kindergarten building and an administration-library structure, according to the plans drawn by Flewelling and Moody. Future plans call for a cafeteria-auditorium combination, and three additional double classroom buildings. The separate units are to be connected by covered walks. Roofs of the classroom buildings will be supported by steel trusses which bear the walls and steel columns concealed in plywood fins.

Lakeland School is to occupy a 10-acre site at Lakeland Avenue and will house classes from the kindergarten through the fourth grade. Plans have been approved by the State Division of Architecture, Department of Public Works.

## NEWS FROM CANADA *By John Caulfield Smith*

### COMPLETE FIRST UNIT OF SCHOOL FOR CRIPPLED BOYS AND GIRLS

THE initial project of "Variety Village," a vocational and residential school for crippled children, has been completed at Scarborough, Ont.

The school, believed to be the only one of its type in Canada, is being built and equipped by the Variety Club of Toronto. A. G. Facey and Gibson and Pokorny are the architects.

The first unit (photo below) provides for 24 boys, cost $250,000. Later extensions will increase capacity to 48 boys and 48 girls. Included in the project are clerical and manual training wings and assembly room.

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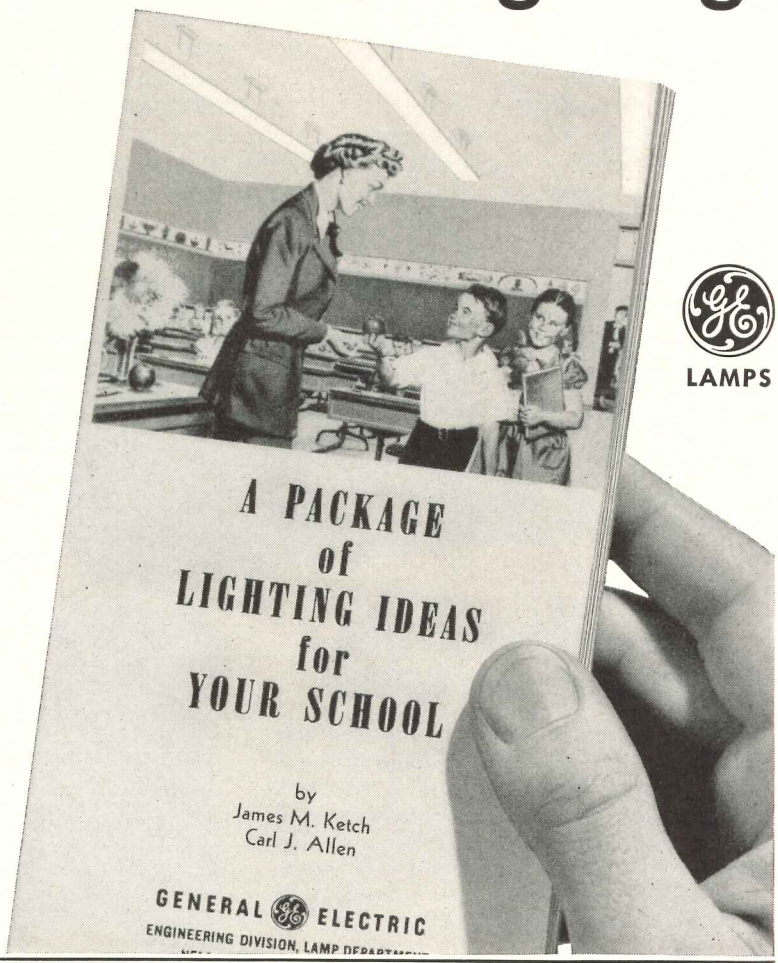


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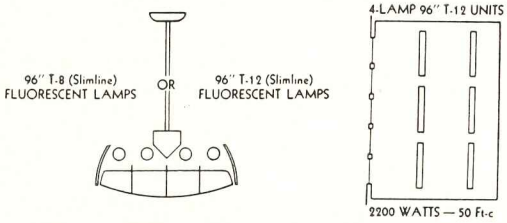


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eralizing of the law. For by what other method, it is asked, can the planning of essential accommodations other than bedrooms be insured?

For example, a small dining room in a two-bedroom house which may be adequate for a family with one or two children, would be totally inadequate in a three-bedroom house for a family with four children. It is apparent also that design standards for a three-bedroom or four-bedroom house should be quite different in other respects from design standards appropriate for one- and two-bedroom dwellings.

The legislation came out of the Banking committees of both houses only after it had been shuffled and re-shuffled with the result that clean bills were finally introduced by each group. While the House committee sought to make Title I improvement loan insurance a permanent affair, the Senate committee finally backed down to a two-year extension after hearing Chairman McCabe of the Federal Reserve Board testify on inflationary aspects of the measure. These and other less-important differences would have to be ironed out in conference if the legislation were to get that far.

The House Banking committee voted its bill out 11 to 4 after extensive hearings. It contained the highly debatable cooperative housing section and immediately ran up against Rules Committee opposition. It became more and more apparent that Committee Chairman Spence would have to invoke the 21-day rule to bypass the Rules group. The House last fall voted down a direct loan proposal for cooperative and other non-profit housing corporations. Its mood is not likely to have changed much on the subject by this time. The Appropriations Committee is beginning to show signs of raising the economy axe again, and at this writing the middle-income bill faced a stormy floor session in the lower body. The Republicans withheld their opposition in large measure during the committee hearings, offering no amendments in executive session. The big blow was being delayed purposely for the floor battle.

Chances for the middle-income program appeared somewhat better on the Senate side, although Senator Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio), an acknowledged friend of former housing measures on the liberal side, had come out against this one. He apparently disagreed with the proposed move to set up a National Mortgage Corporation for Cooperative Housing in which the federal government would sink $100 million as an initial investment. This sum, it was argued by proponents, would be replaced eventually by $200 million of privately subscribed share capital.

The measure could not get to the floor until Senators talked themselves out on the Displaced Persons bill. Sen. Sparkman had hopes of its being called up before the Gas bill, scheduled after DP's, and Floor Leader Lucas had assured it would certainly come up before the expected filibuster on FEPC.

Meanwhile, Senators Sparkman and Maybank clung to their previous assurance there would be no more temporary extensions of mortgage insurance programs before the consideration of the middle-income proposal (the Housing Act of 1950), S. 2246.

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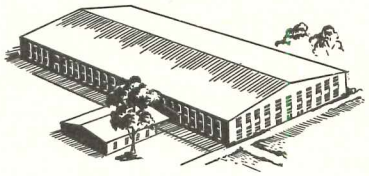

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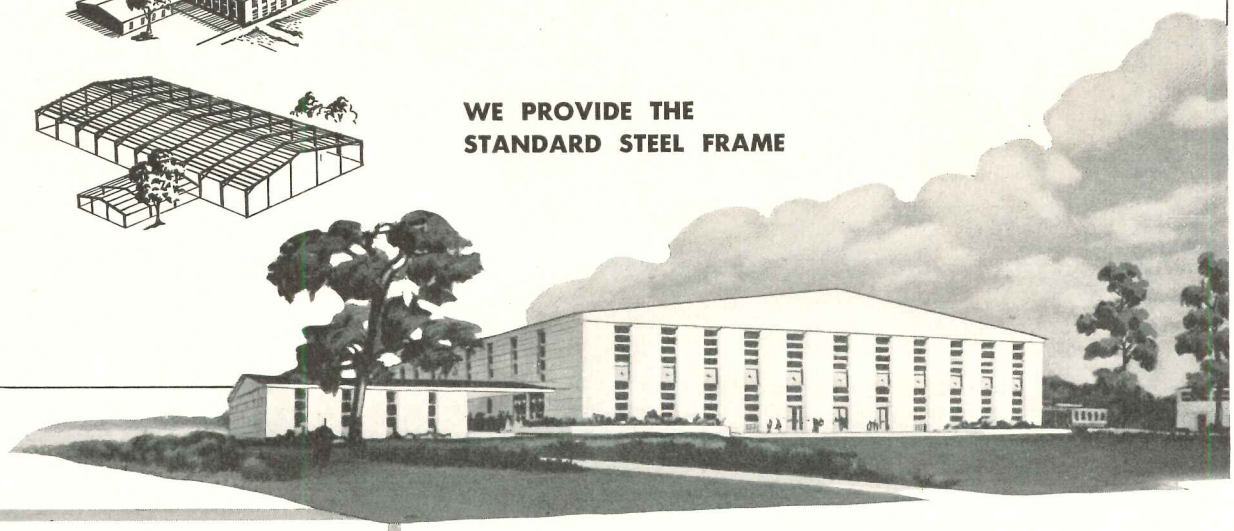

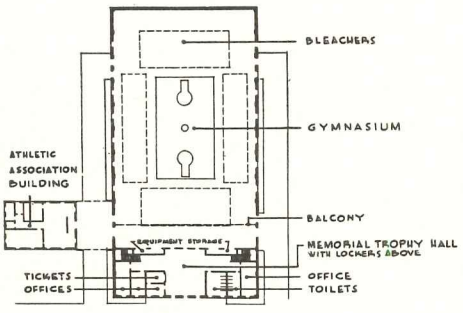


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### *Federal Building Program*

General Services Administration spokesmen are taking the view that all construction now stands at a turning point in its postwar course. Expressing this position before the Associated General Contractors of America, Inc., assembled for annual convention in San Francisco, James W. Follin, a GSA special assistant, said the relative position of construction volume in relation to the entire economy needs to be studied closely. We may well be at a turning point, he opined. Either construction shall begin to move forward from here on to occupy its proper position in the national economy, or it shall begin to taper off so that the country will not have the facilities it needs nor the construction industry the opportunity to utilize fully its talents.

With private building declining somewhat, Follin fears the balance will be lost unless this decline is reversed or public construction is increased to offset the drop. A private construction drop of moderate degree in 1949 was offset by a $1 billion increase in public construction. Now, those in the know are looking for public construction to increase still further in 1950 — probably to $6 billion.

Follin observed: "Public construction expenditures are steadily approaching the historic ratio of one-third of total construction, or one-half of private construction. Will they reach this position, and can they be even further increased?" There is an obvious need for higher annual public construction volume. The known needs in all fields make the $6 billion annual figure "seem so grossly inadequate."

### *Planning Program Proceeds*

GSA is moving ahead with the revived advance planning program for non-federal public works. Working on the initial $25 million made available by Congress for commitment, the agency was accelerating its loan approvals in a way reminiscent of the days before the program was temporarily stopped on July 1, 1947. Applications are being received in increasing number and now exceed $10 million in loans requested. These interest-free loans pay for the planning of such projects as schools, hospitals, local streets, municipal buildings, waterworks, etc.

GSA feels the most important feature of this advance loan program to be this: it inculcates into municipal practice orderly and considerate habits, under which adequate time is taken to plan on a long-range basis and for thorough design of public improvements. This procedure, it is claimed, obviates the need for hurried and precipitate and frequently incomplete treatment when projects are planned and designed after the projects have been submitted to the electorate, and bonds voted, when the public has probably become impatient for the improvements.

Finally, the federal government's building needs are known to be very great; the lack of needed facilities is costly in itself. A $40 million site acquisition and plan preparation program is now in progress. This will encompass 575 projects spreading through all Congressional districts; post offices for the most part. No construction funds for this have been appropriated but sentiment for starting actual building in

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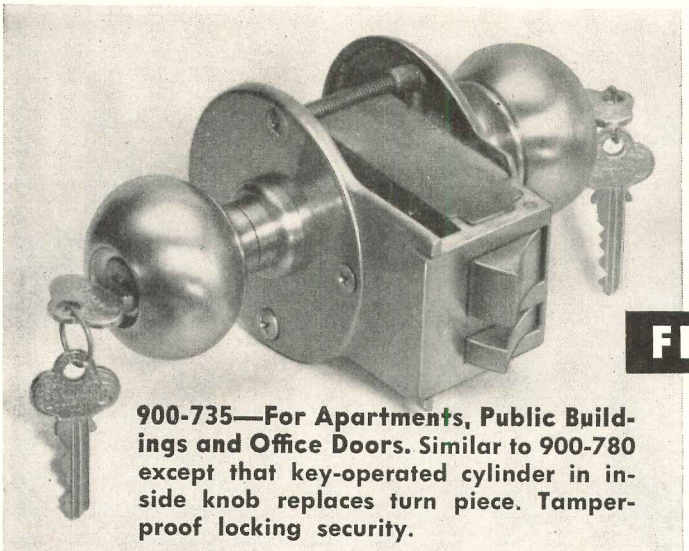

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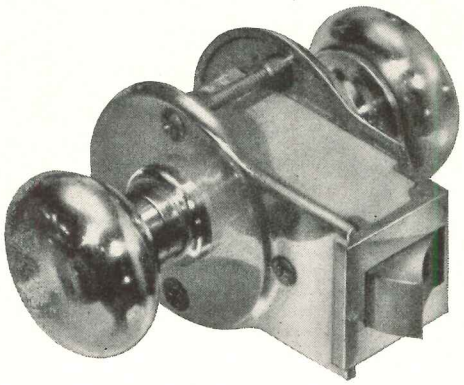

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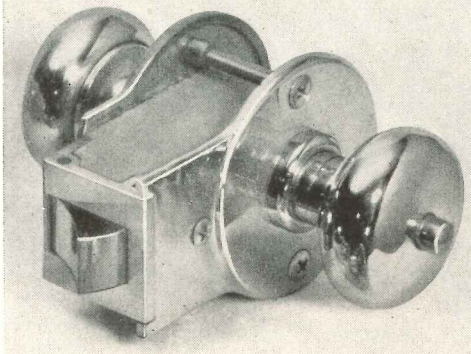
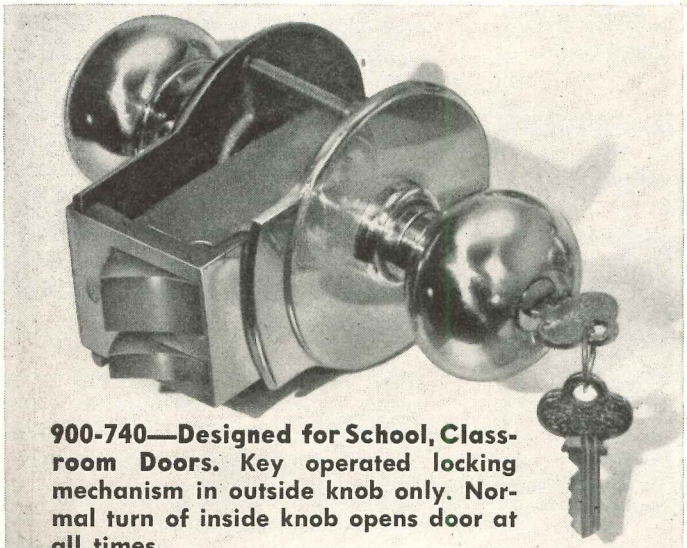


**900-730 — Privacy Lockset for Bath or Bedroom Doors.** Operates by knob from either side except when locked by push-button in inside knob. Turn of inside knob releases locking mechanism.



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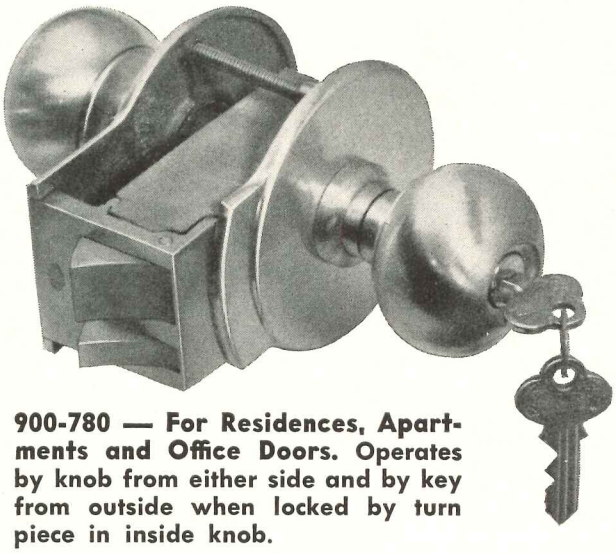

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1951 is developing. In the main, private architects are designing these structures; architects located in the particular districts.

### *Shorts*

• The Federal Housing Administration issued commitments on approximately 18,000 units of prefabricated housing in 1949, about half the volume of all prefabricated housing turned out. Yet FHA insured only one-third of the total housing volume produced in all types. The prefab commitments covered $118 million in loans advanced by private lenders, an increase over the 1948 business. Largest loan insurance activity centered in midwestern states where the larger plants are located.

• The military housing construction program under the Wherry Act (Title VIII) had gone through the throes of an adjustment period. Defense Secretary Louis Johnson reviewed processing procedures after halting applications Dec. 16. The ban was effective about two months and a half. Before applications were stopped, construction had started on 2250 units, but the three services had approved preliminary plans for 31,000 dwelling units. This is rental housing constructed by private builders and designed by private architects. It is located on or near military reservations. The stop order did not affect Wherry Act projects where proposals had been received or scheduled. It shut off new proposals only.

• The building industry showed keen interest in the fate of the fabulous Lustron Corp., makers of enamel-covered steel houses at Columbus, Ohio. Reconstruction Finance Corp. had gone ahead with its foreclosure action, asking a receiver in an effort to recoup as much as possible of its $37.5 million loans to the firm.

## MODULAR COORDINATION FUND APPROACHES GOAL

The American Institute of Architects and the Producers' Council, co-sponsors of modular coordination, have set up a plan which will result in a specialist being retained by the Department of

Education and Research of the A.I.A. to promote the use of modular coordination.

According to Charles M. Mortensen, managing director of the Producers' Council, prospects are bright for reaching the goal of $15,000 for the special fund being contributed by manufacturers of building materials and equipment to promote wider understanding and adoption of modular coordination as a means of reducing construction costs. The fund, to which the A.I.A. is also contributing, is being set up within the American Architectural foundation.

"Considerable emphasis has been given to the adoption of modular coordination through the efforts of the Housing and Home Finance Agency," Mr. Mortensen said, "but the work of that agency is confined to housing. The raising of the special fund will mean that proper emphasis also can be placed on the use of modular design and materials in commercial, industrial and other non-residential construction.

"The fact that substantial savings in building costs can be effected by coordinating the dimensions of materials has been demonstrated beyond question by studies undertaken at the University of Illinois and by use of the principles in actual construction of hospitals and other buildings."

## ON THE CALENDAR

*Apr. 10–16:* VII Congress of Panamerican Architects, Havana, Cuba.

*Apr. 12–14:* Spring Meeting, The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Hotel Statler, Washington, D. C.

*Apr. 19–21:* Spring Meeting, American Society of Civil Engineers, Los Angeles, Calif.

*Through Apr. 29:* Eleventh Annual Exhibition, National Serigraph Society, Serigraph Galleries, 38 W. 57th St., New York, N. Y.

*Apr. 11–May 7:* Exhibition of photographs and drawings of recently completed school buildings, The Art Alliance, 251 S. 18th St., Philadelphia.

*May 1–3:* 38th Annual Meeting, Chamber of Commerce of the United States, Washington, D. C.

*May 6–8:* Meeting of the Board of Directors, The American Institute of Architects, Washington, D. C.

*May 8–9:* 36th Annual Meeting of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C.

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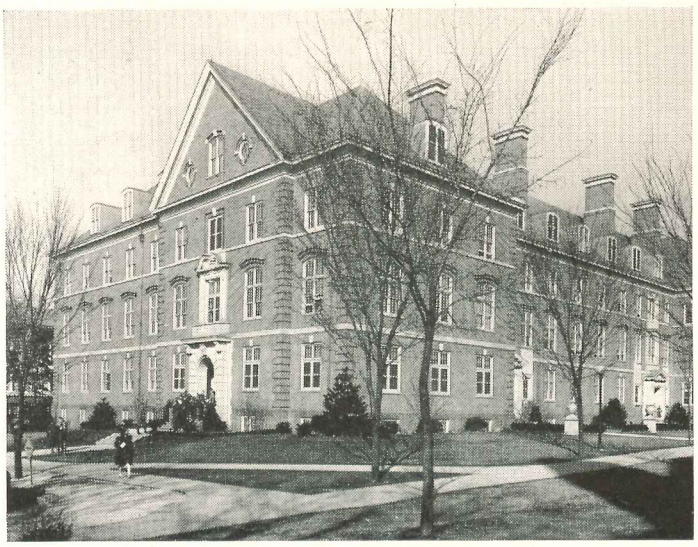
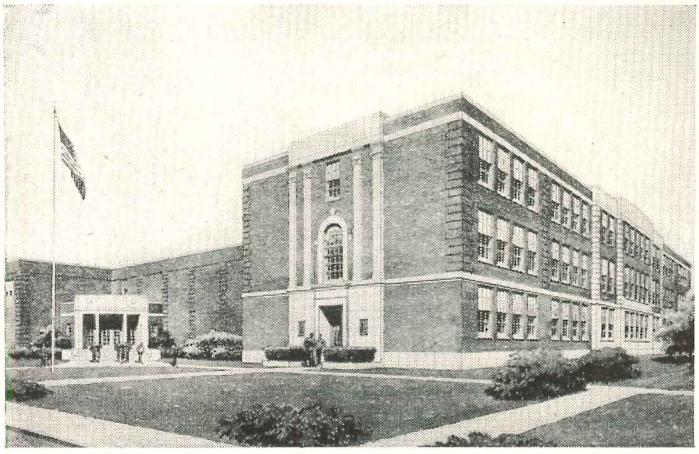


Gregory Hall, University of Illinois. Architect: Ernest L. Stouffer, University of Illinois. Engineer: Samuel R. Lewis, Chicago. Clarage fans installed for ventilation.



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*May 8–9:* Meeting of the National Council of Registration Boards, Washington, D. C.

*May 9:* Meeting of the Producers' Council, Washington, D. C.

*May 10–13:* 82nd Annual Convention, The American Institute of Architects, Washington, D. C.

*June 26–30:* 53rd Annual Meeting and ninth exhibit of testing apparatus and related equipment, American Society for Testing Materials, Chalfonte-Haddon Hall, Atlantic City, N. J.

*June 12–15:* 43rd Annual Convention, National Association of Building Owners and Managers, Olympic Hotel, Seattle, Wash.

### AT THE COLLEGES

#### *Architectural Schools Should Create Artists, Howe Asserts*

The producing of artists was the function ascribed to architectural schools in a speech by Chairman George Howe of the Yale Department of Architecture before alumni of the School of Fine Arts.

"I hasten to add," he said, "that an artist who is not technically competent in his art is no artist. Some critic has said that every esthetic advance of an artist is a new technical experience. That is important."

Discussing the common criticisms of architectural schools by architects on the ground that they do not adequately prepare for a professional career, Professor Howe warned that "we must not lose sight of the fact that the primary purpose of architectural schools is to create architects, not to prepare draftsmen for office work.

"Draftsmen as such can probably be better prepared in technical schools and offices. The comparative success that architectural schools have achieved in creating architects is easier to estimate than their alleged failure in preparing draftsmen, for it is visible to the eye in our buildings, and it is not unworthy of admiration."

Professor Howe said that more good young architects are being prepared for practice now because of the "encouragement of free individual development in the field of design.

"With this process over-emphasis on technical preparation must not be al-

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Brick | Frame | Brick and Concr. | Brick and Concr. | Brick and Steel |
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| 1930 | 127.0 | 126.7 | 124.1 | 128.0 | 123.6 |
| 1935 | 93.8 | 91.3 | 104.7 | 108.5 | 105.5 |
| 1939 | 123.5 | 122.4 | 130.7 | 133.4 | 130.1 |
| 1940 | 126.3 | 125.1 | 132.2 | 135.1 | 131.4 |
| 1945 | 160.5 | 161.7 | 156.3 | 158.0 | 155.4 |
| 1946 | 181.8 | 182.4 | 177.2 | 179.0 | 174.8 |
| 1947 | 219.3 | 222.0 | 207.6 | 207.5 | 203.8 |
| 1948 | 250.1 | 251.6 | 239.4 | 242.2 | 235.6 |
| Nov. 1949 | 242.7 | 239.4 | 241.0 | 244.2 | 237.6 |
| Dec. 1949 | 242.4 | 238.9 | 241.4 | 244.5 | 237.8 |
| Jan. 1950 | 242.8 | 239.4 | 242.3 | 245.2 | 241.2 |
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**ATLANTA**

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| | Brick | Frame | Brick and Concr. | Brick and Concr. | Brick and Steel |
| 1925 | 86.4 | 85.0 | 88.6 | 92.5 | 83.4 |
| 1930 | 82.1 | 80.9 | 84.5 | 86.1 | 83.6 |
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| 1939 | 86.3 | 83.1 | 95.1 | 97.4 | 94.7 |
| 1940 | 91.0 | 89.0 | 96.9 | 98.5 | 97.5 |
| 1945 | 132.1 | 133.9 | 123.2 | 122.8 | 123.3 |
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| Nov. 1949 | 184.8 | 186.0 | 178.2 | 177.8 | 175.1 |
| Dec. 1949 | 184.5 | 185.5 | 178.6 | 178.1 | 175.3 |
| Jan. 1950 | 184.5 | 185.5 | 179.2 | 178.6 | 177.7 |
| | *% increase over 1939* | | | | |
| **Jan. 1950** | **113.8** | **123.2** | **88.4** | **83.4** | **87.6** |

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| 1925 | 118.6 | 118.4 | 116.3 | 118.1 | 114.4 |
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| 1948 | 227.9 | 231.2 | 207.7 | 210.0 | 208.1 |
| Nov. 1949 | 220.9 | 219.2 | 214.2 | 217.9 | 215.4 |
| Dec. 1949 | 220.7 | 218.9 | 214.6 | 218.2 | 215.7 |
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| | *% increase over 1939* | | | | |
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Cost comparisons, as percentage differences for any particular type of construction, are possible between localities, or periods of time within the same city, by dividing the difference between the two index numbers by one of them; i.e.:

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

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

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

$$\frac{110-95}{95} = 0.158$$

Conversely: costs in B are approximately 14 per cent lower than in A.

$$\frac{110-95}{110} = 0.136$$

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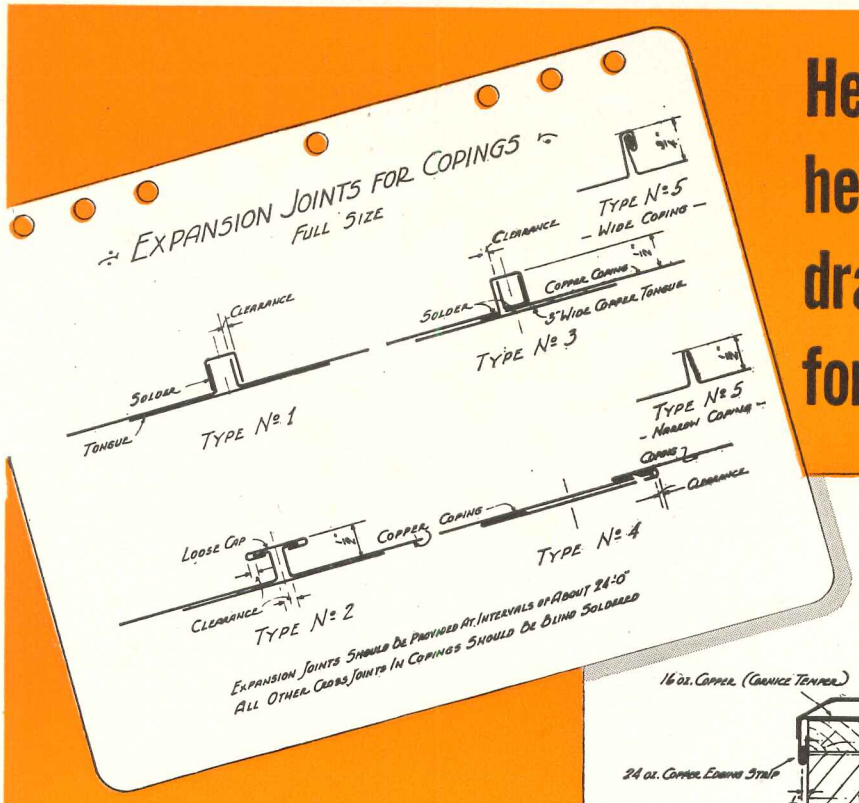


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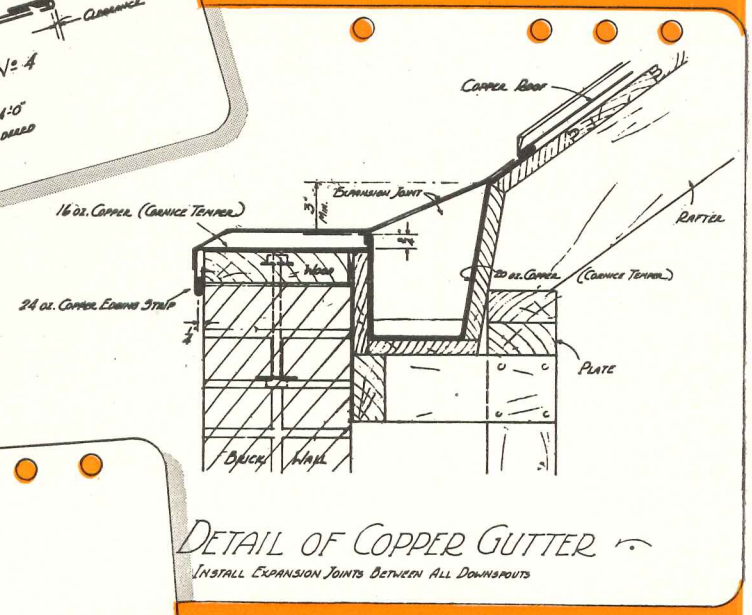


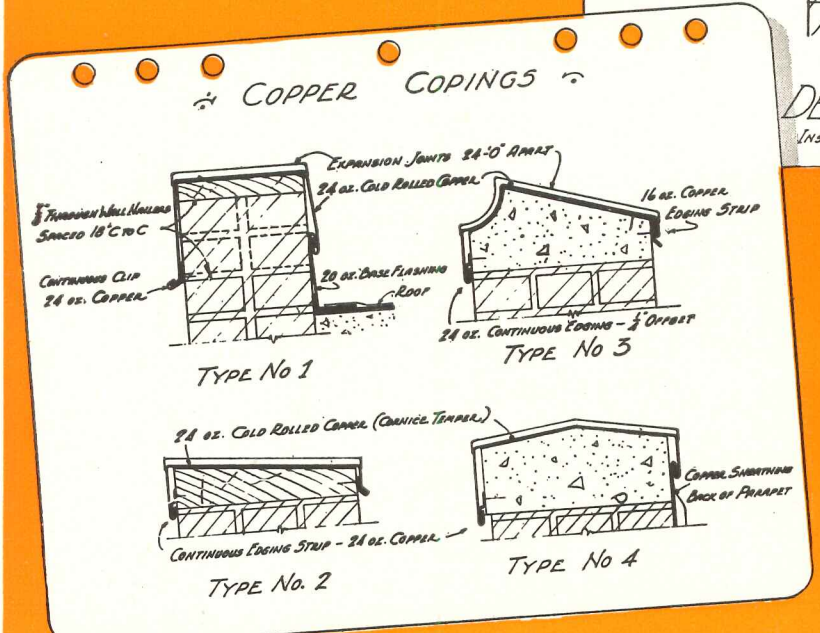


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## RURAL SCHOOLS

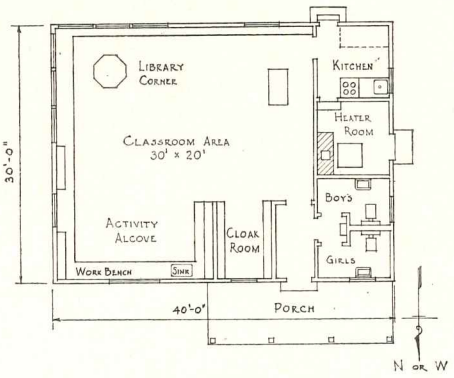
*Planning Rural Community School Buildings. Sponsored by the National Council of Chief State School Officers. Prepared Under the Supervision of Frank W. Cyr and Henry H. Linn. Published by the Bureau of Publications, Teachers College, Columbia University (New York, N. Y.), 1949. 8½ by 11¾ in. xiii + 162 pp. illus. $3.75.*

"In the preparation of this volume," the introduction states, "the fact was kept constantly in mind that consolidation of schools of small communities is one of the chief reasons for the great demand for new school buildings in the United States. Planning the new school building is one of the first major tasks of the new consolidated district. The effectiveness of consolidation depends in a large measure on how well the school building is adapted to educational and community needs."

The volume was prepared by a staff of experts especially appointed to study school needs throughout the country. It represents the combined thinking of educators, laymen and architects in many widely separated areas; its avowed purpose is "to help the local community find its own answers" to its school planning problems.

The report is divided into four parts, by far the largest of which is the second, "Rural School Building Plans." This is the architects' own section, well supplied with plans of schools ranging in size from the one-teacher elementary school to the complex 12-grade consolidated school with its provisions for community activity. The plans are not presented as "ideal" ("there is no such thing as an 'ideal' plan which will meet all conditions"), but as examples of what is being done. Each is accompanied by a one-page description pointing up the main features. There are basic plans and alternatives; details; diagrammatics; site plans; classroom schematics; plans for special facilities such as workshops and canning centers, school kitchens, gymnasiums, agriculture units, art studios, homemaking departments. There are even plans for a "teacherage" for the isolated country school.

To the school architect such a collection of plans, all of them large and clearly drawn, should be of immense interest. The rest of the volume — Part I on the planning of a school building, Part III on architectural styles, and Part IV on "Sources of Help" — will be of less interest to him except as they help him in his relations with the school boards and educators. The book as a whole, however, is a "must" for everyone concerned with school planning.




*Basic plan for a one-teacher school by Frank Gilson, Architect. From "Planning Rural Community School Buildings"*

## SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

*The American School and University: 1949–50. 21st annual ed. American School Publishing Corp. (470 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N. Y.), 1949. 8½ by 11 in. 784 pp., illus. $4.00.*

Throughout the years each new edition of THE AMERICAN SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY has offered its readers a vast store of information on current trends in the school field, and this 21st edition is no exception. Its Editorial Section, comprising roughly half the book, contains 38 articles, some of them on general design problems and trends, others on such highly specialized features as the print shop, still others describing recently completed educational buildings of various kinds.

Particularly interesting in view of the volume on rural schools reviewed just above is M. R. Sumption's brief article on "Planning Buildings for New Community School Districts in Illinois." "The typical small community unit district in the state," Dr. Sumption says, "has an area of 50 to 75 square miles and a total enrollment of 400 to 600 pupils. . . . In looking forward to new construction such districts will probably find the twelve-grade building the best solution. . . . In districts somewhat larger, the six-grade secondary school has found favor. The typical district where the six-year school is planned has an area of 75 to 150 square miles and enrolls 600 to 1000 pupils." Units of the latter size require in addition several strategically placed elementary schools, and still larger areas need the four-year high school and the junior high school. Community facilities are provided regularly under each of the four housing plans.

Particularly interesting in conjunction with the Building Types Study in this issue of the RECORD is William Arild Johnson's treatment of "Economy in Schoolhouse Planning and Construction." Economy starts on the drawing board, Architect Johnson says. The research necessary to achieve it is considerable and "costs the architect extra money, but it should all be part of *his* job." Schools should be one-story wherever practicable, he says, listing eight reasons why. Square classrooms designed by his firm (William Arild Johnson and Associates, Architects and Engineers, Everett, Wash.) have been "more economical to build than the conventional wood-joist construction across a 24-foot span," he reports.

Other timely and interesting articles in this AMERICAN SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY include: "The Economy of Contemporary Design," by Jay C. Van Nuys, New Jersey architect; "A Graphic Method of University Space Analysis," by Hermann H. Field, Director of Building Plans, Cleveland College of Western Reserve University; "Planning a College Library," by Earle U. Rugg, Chairman, Division of Education, Colorado State College of Education; and "Storage Cabinet Assemblies as Dividing Partitions," by John W. McLeod of McLeod and Ferrara, Architects, Washington, D. C.

New buildings described and discussed include the Morehead Building (science) at the University of North Carolina, designed by Eggers and Higgins; the Fairfax Elementary School, Fairfax, Calif., by John Lyon Reid, of Bamberger and Reid; and Bowman Hall (dormitory) at the University of Kentucky, designed by John F. Wilson.

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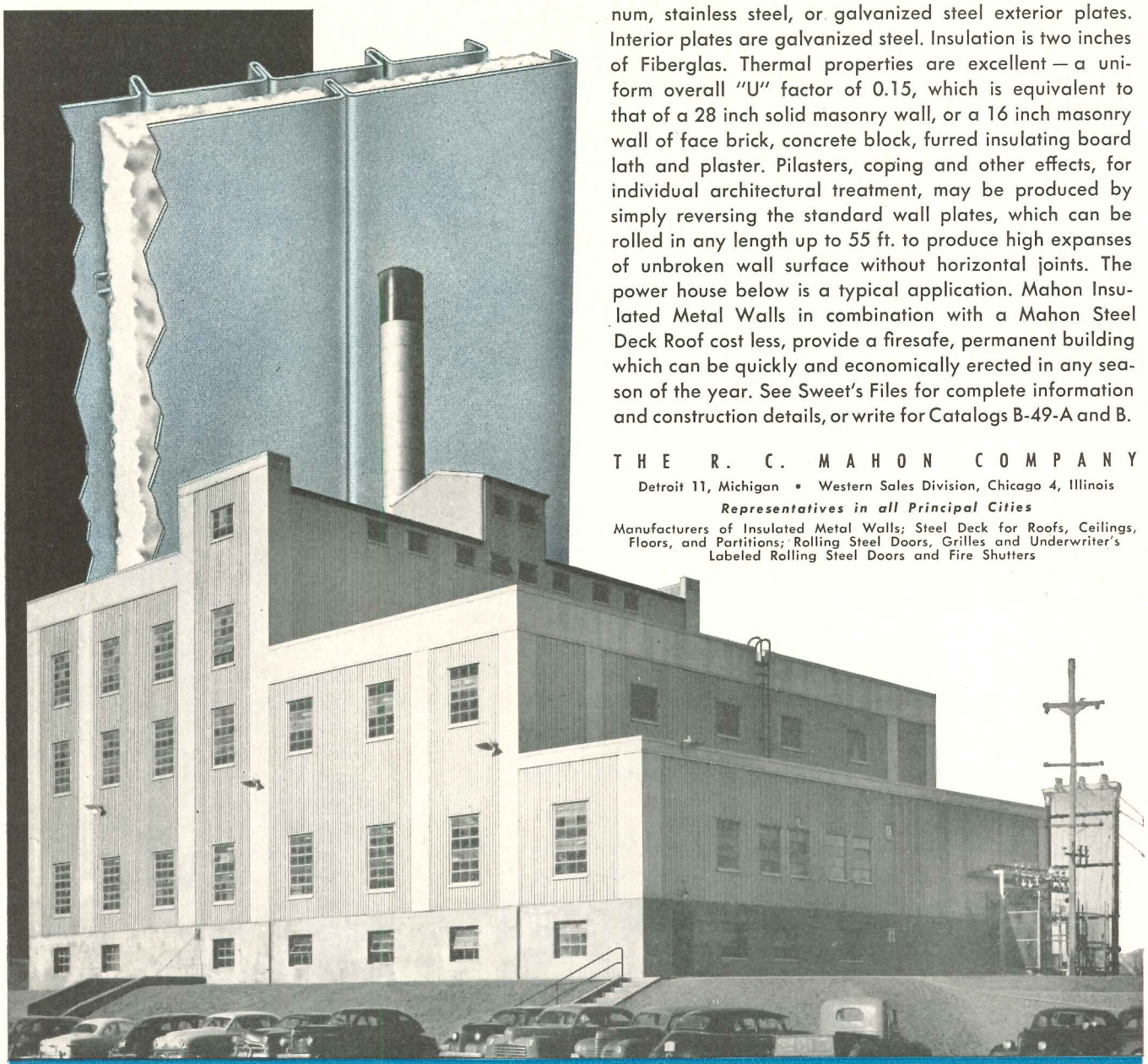

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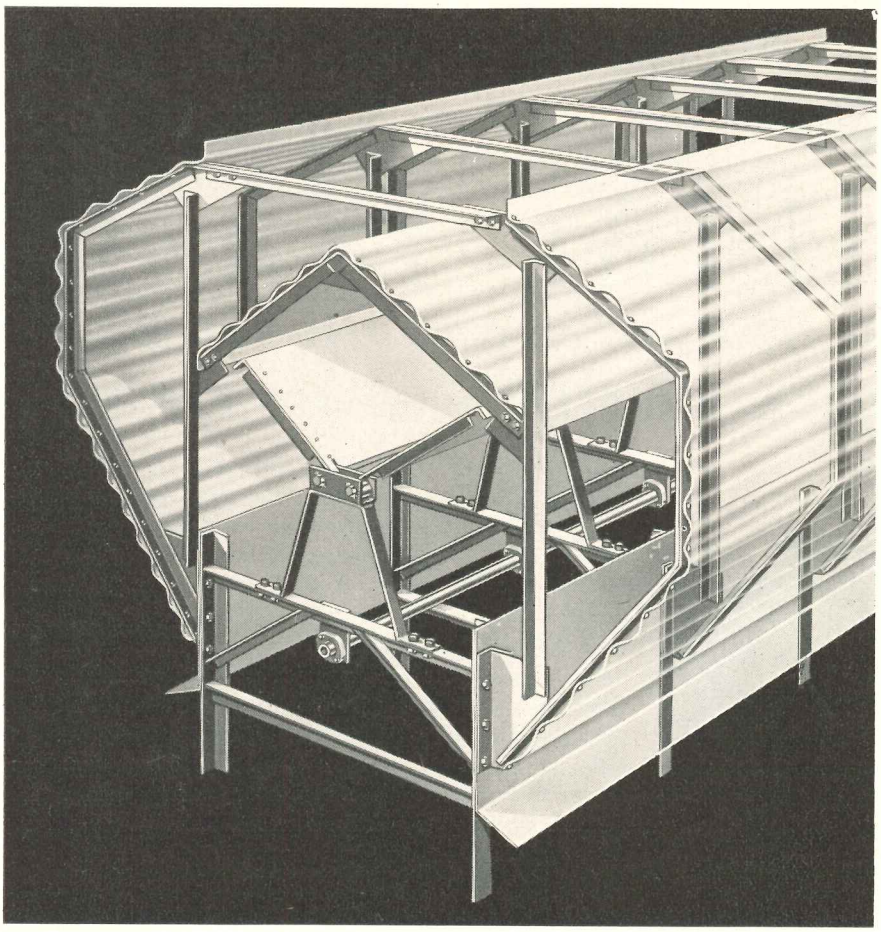

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### SCHOOL LIBRARIES

*Planning School Library Quarters. A Functional Approach. By the Sub-Committee on Library Service Schools Planning Board of Illinois Library Association. Mildred L. Nickel, Chairman. American Library Association (Chicago), 1950. 8⅜ by 11 in. 53 pp. illus. $1.50.*

"Within the last few years the concept of the function of the school library has broadened in three major respects, all of which should affect the planning of school library facilities." (1) The librarian now stimulates demands for library service instead of being expected to mark time until a teacher makes demands upon him and his library, the usual, former practice; (2) the conception of library materials is expanding; and (3) the teaching function of the librarian is becoming more important. These aspects levy new responsibilities upon library planners.

In light of advanced educational techniques, school just isn't what it was. And its libraries no longer rely on a traditional and outmoded form, that is, of providing mere shelves for books, or hard-seated reading locations for students between classes. It has a more embracing function in the student curricular life; it has become the very nucleus of the school. Adequate provision (storage and usage space) for its new accoutrements (recordings, films and slides, charts and other source material) in addition to book and study facilities is now required.

Related here — the question of the functional format of the school library itself. The committee discusses possible shapes for the room, placement of equipment, etc. The importance of correct furniture — shelving, filing and reference cabinets, periodical storage equipment — is stressed. Details of shapes and sizes for furniture, the most efficient types of design and refinishing jobs are suggested.

Sound control and color are treated at some length. A concerted attempt should be made, the committee urges, to create an attractive atmosphere, yet

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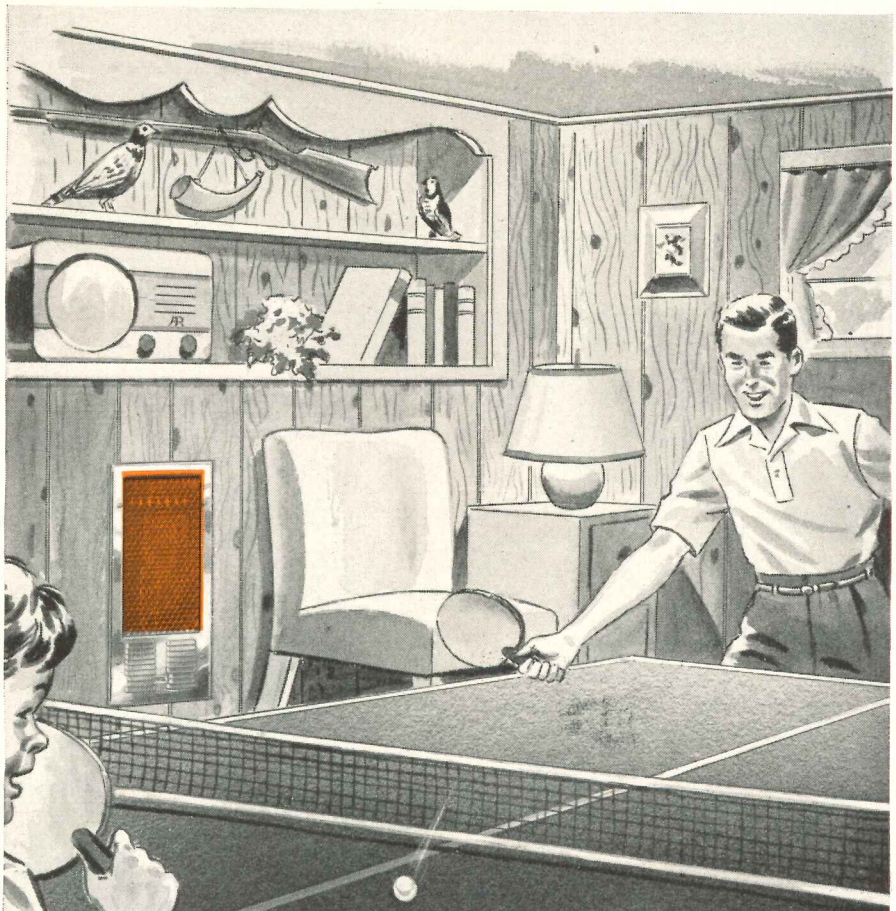

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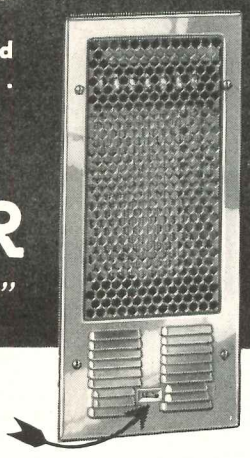

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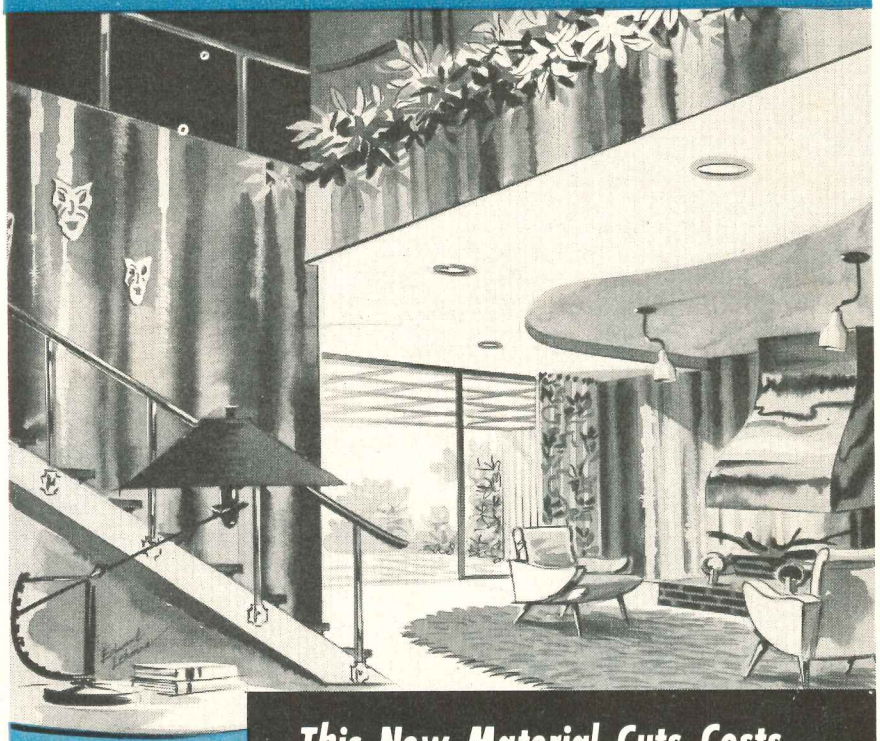

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one which is conducive to the purposes of the room. Lighting and windows each occupy a chapter; examples of many types are presented and criticized.

The conclusions of this publication are derived from material gathered together by authorities in the educational field for the purpose of helping administrators, librarians and architects in the designing and redesigning of school libraries and in the possibilities of converting classrooms into libraries. Thus, although the booklet is not directed to the architect alone, it ought to be useful to him in the planning of flexible school library quarters that will not only answer the needs of students today, but will provide for future expansion of those needs.

## ACOUSTICS

*Acoustical Designing in Architecture. By Vern O. Knudsen and Cyril M. Harris. John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (440 Fourth Ave. New York 16, N. Y.), 1950. 5½ by 8¼ in, x + 458 pp., illus. $7.50.*

This book is written primarily for architects, students of architecture and others who wish a non-mathematical but comprehensive treatment of architectural acoustics which will serve as a practical guide. Readers of Mr. Knudsen's earlier book, ARCHITECTURAL ACOUSTICS (John Wiley & Sons, New York, 1932), will recall that that volume made considerable use of mathematical analysis in developing basic acoustical theory. The present volume develops background information qualitatively, omitting rigorous mathematical derivations. Emphasis is placed on the use of equations and several charts and monographs are included to facilitate application. The approach makes the volume a convenient handbook for everyday use as well as a text for developing the subject.

The first part of the book is devoted to an explanation of the properties of sound, the mechanism of hearing and the behavior of sound in enclosures. The chapter on sound-absorptive materials is especially well presented. The authors' wide practical experience is evident here from the care they take to point out the several factors other than sound absorption that must be taken into account in selecting acoustical ma-

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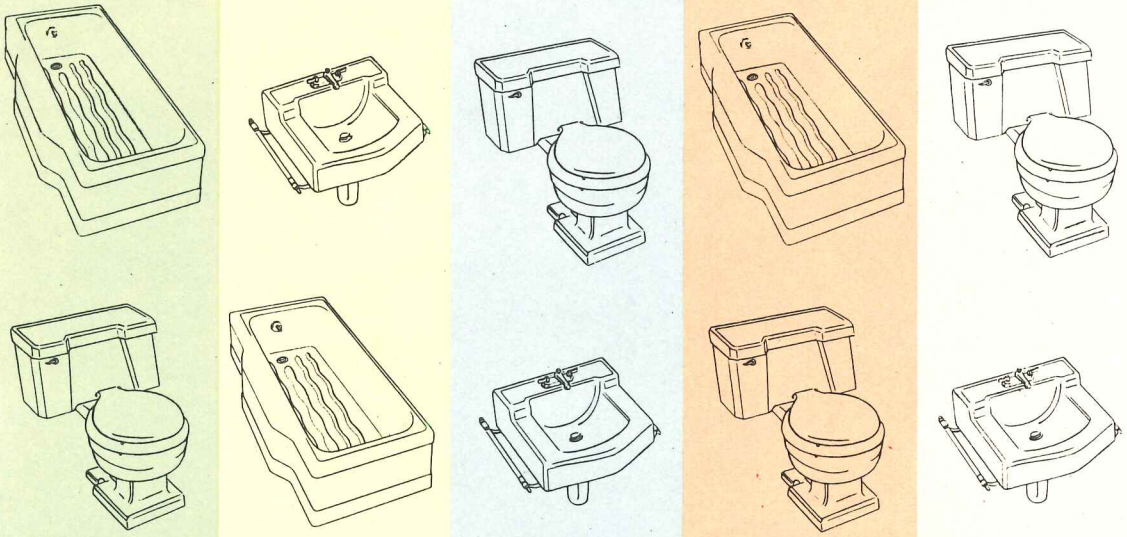

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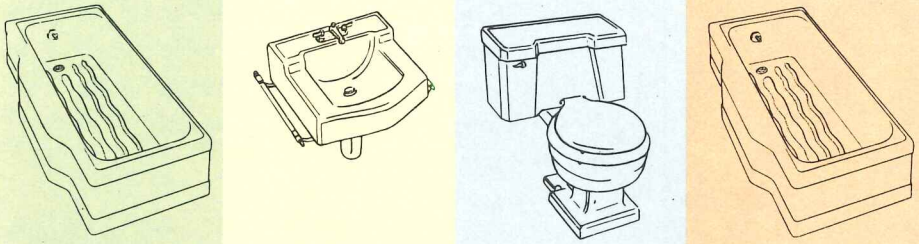

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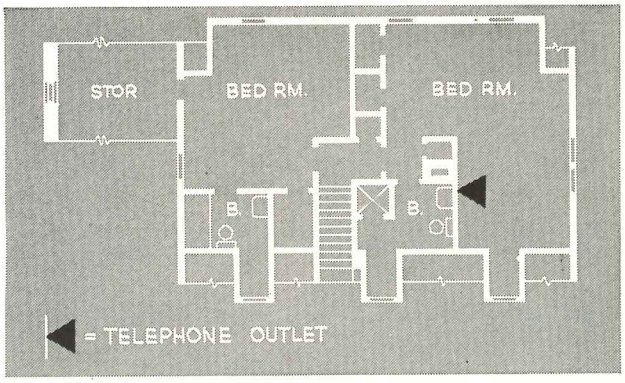


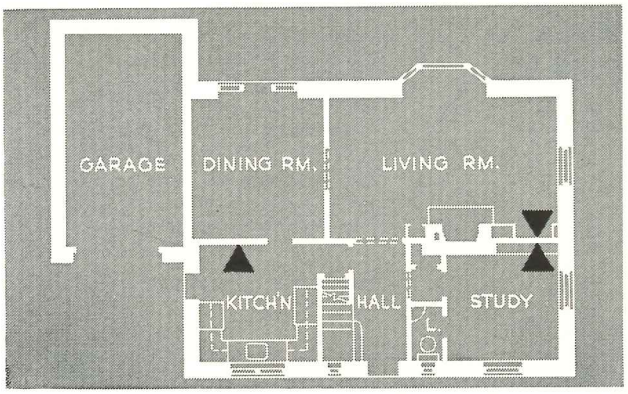


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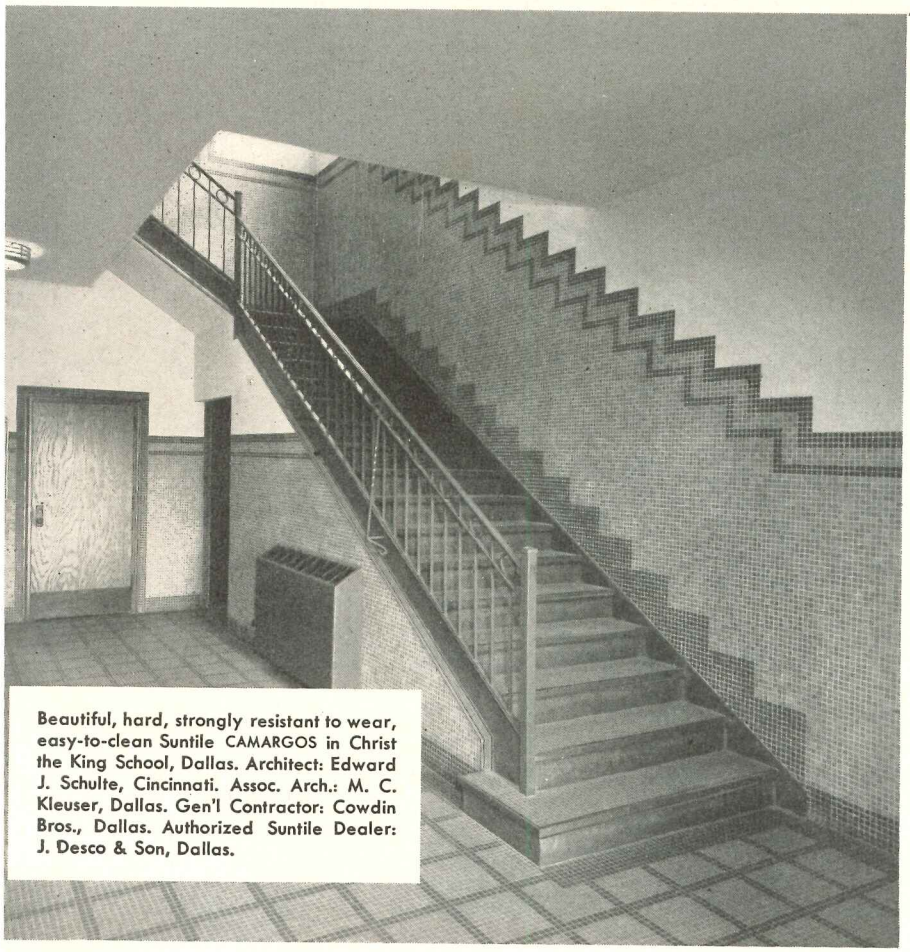

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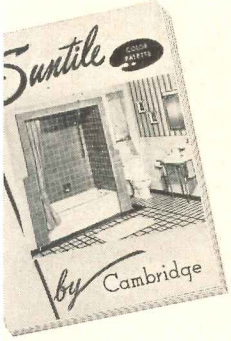


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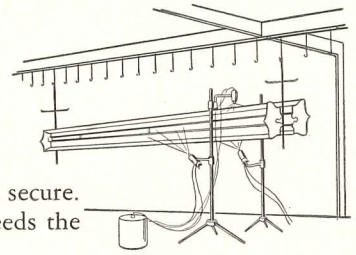

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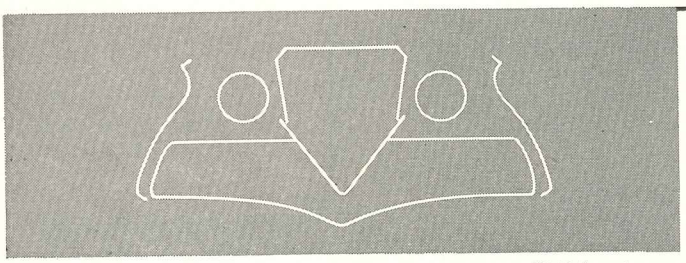

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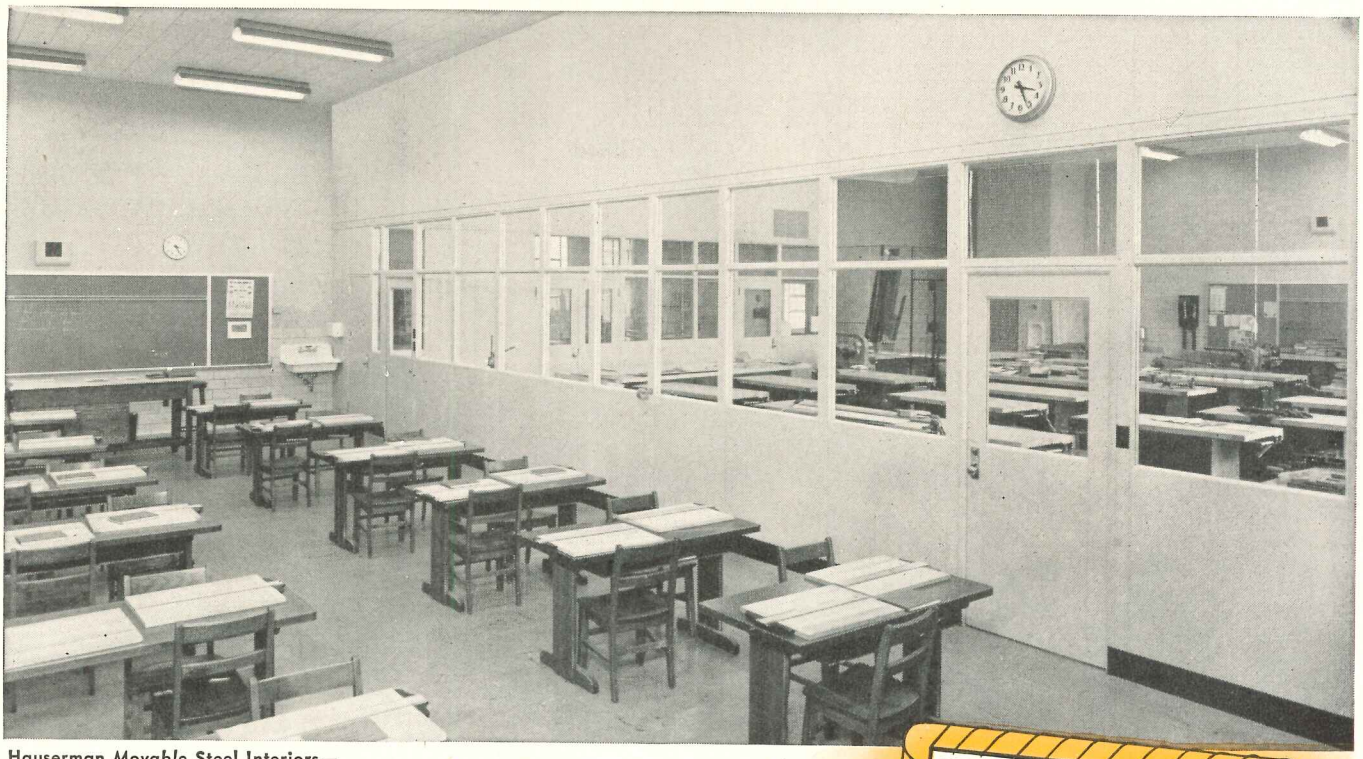

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## HISTORY

The Wakefield Ceiling has been under development by The F. W. Wakefield Brass Company, Vermilion, Ohio, since 1944. It is the logical extension of a continuing effort to provide high quality lighting through luminous indirect equipment first achieved in the Wakefield COMMODORE (incandescent) in 1935 and then in the Wakefield STAR (fluorescent) in 1945.

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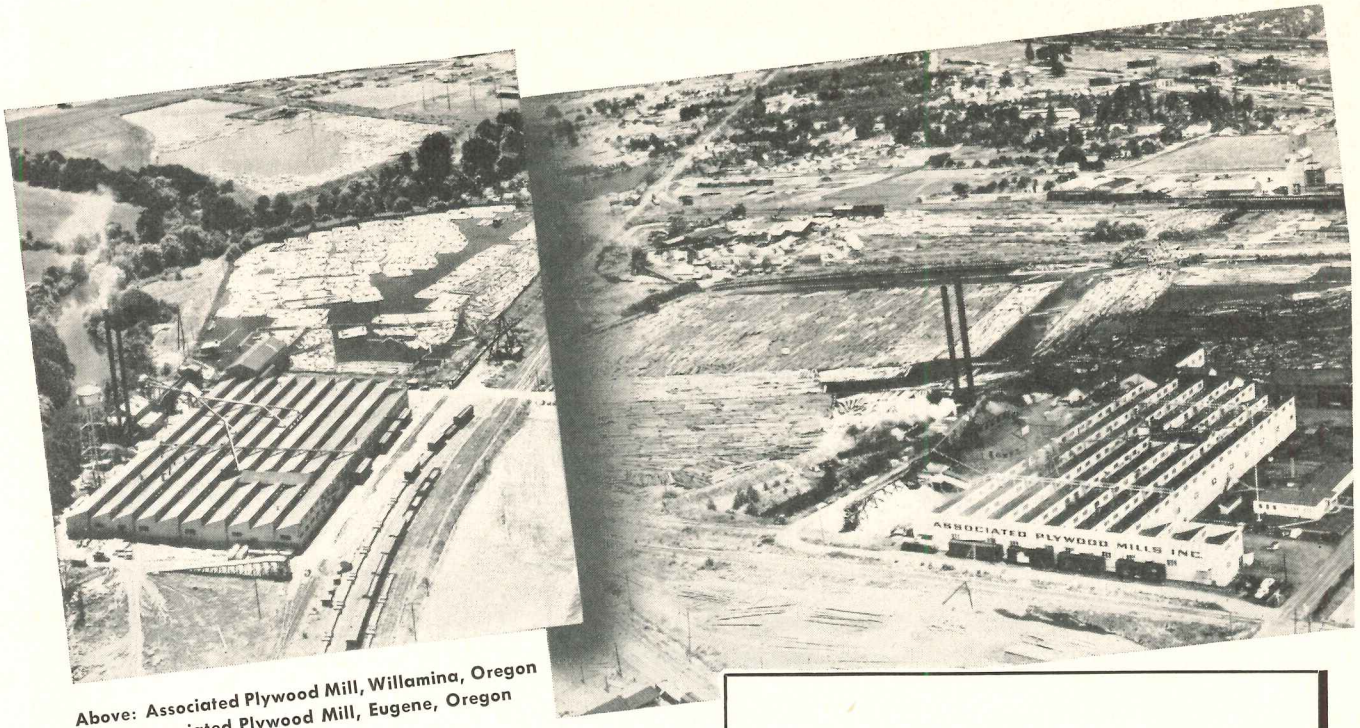


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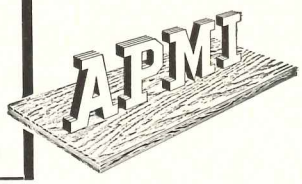


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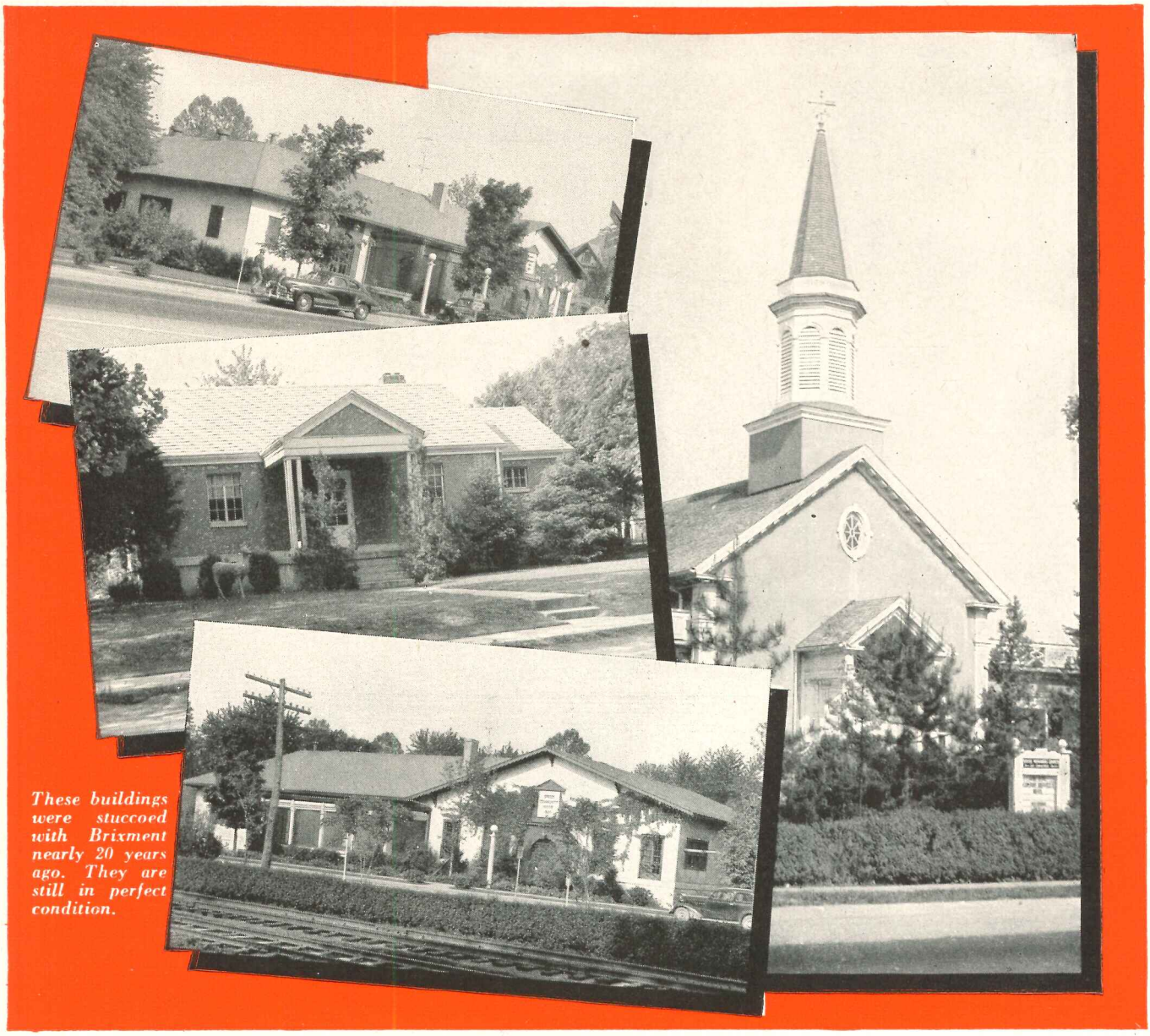

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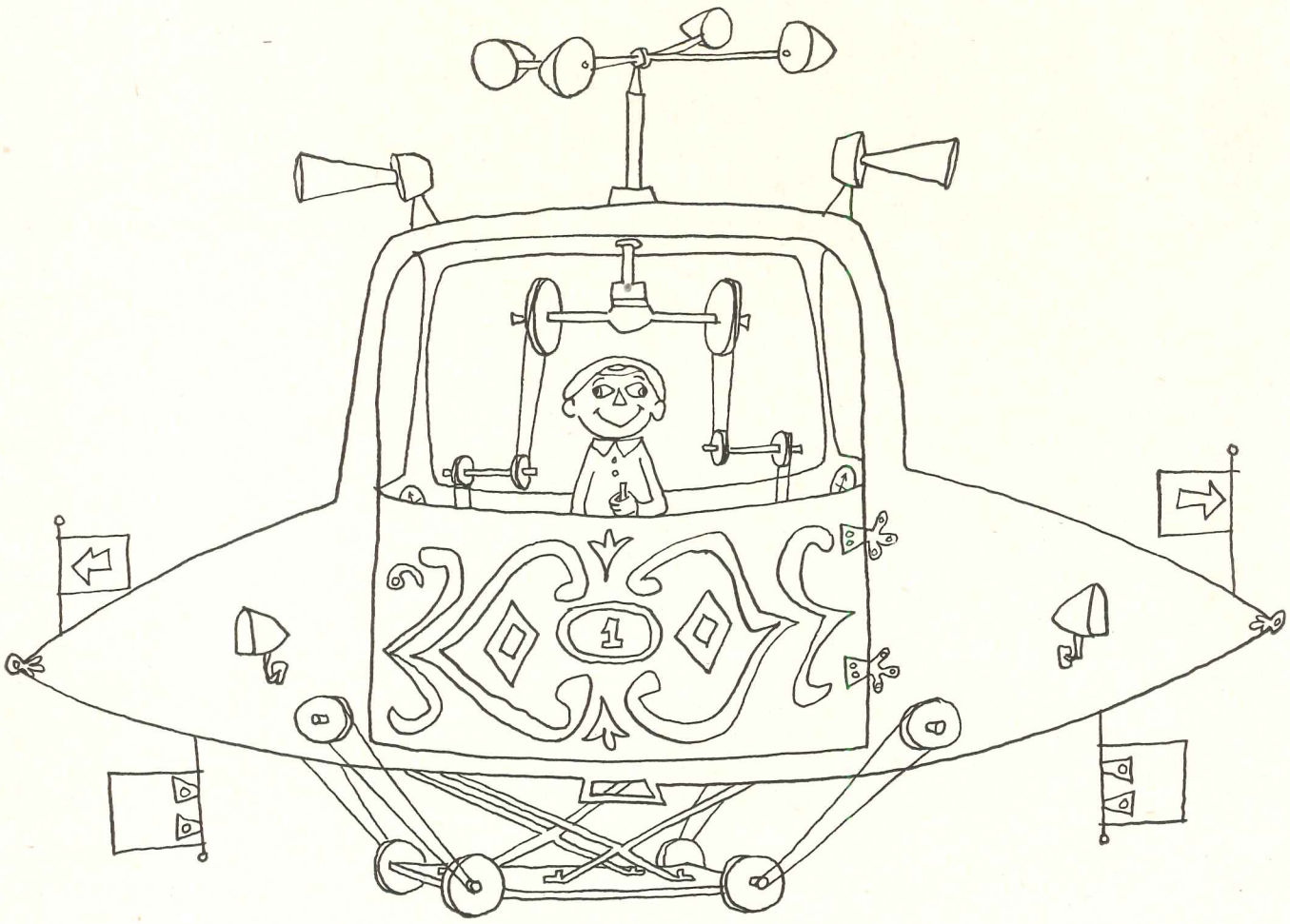

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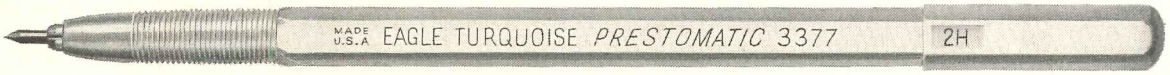


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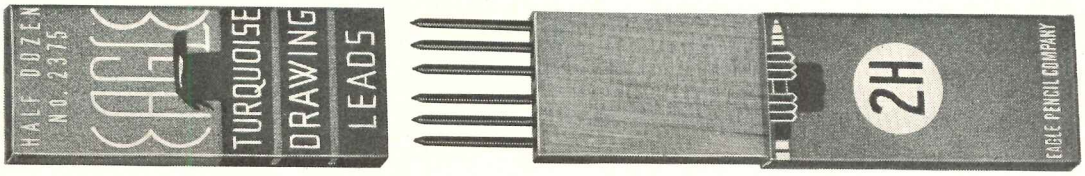


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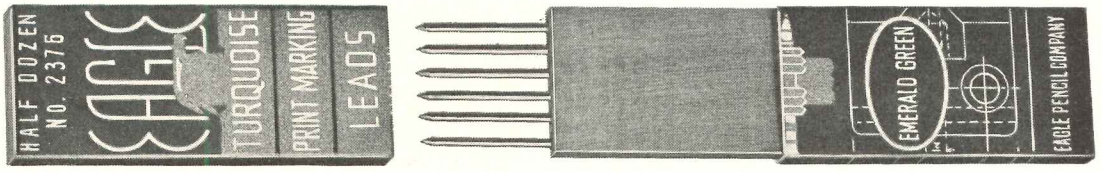


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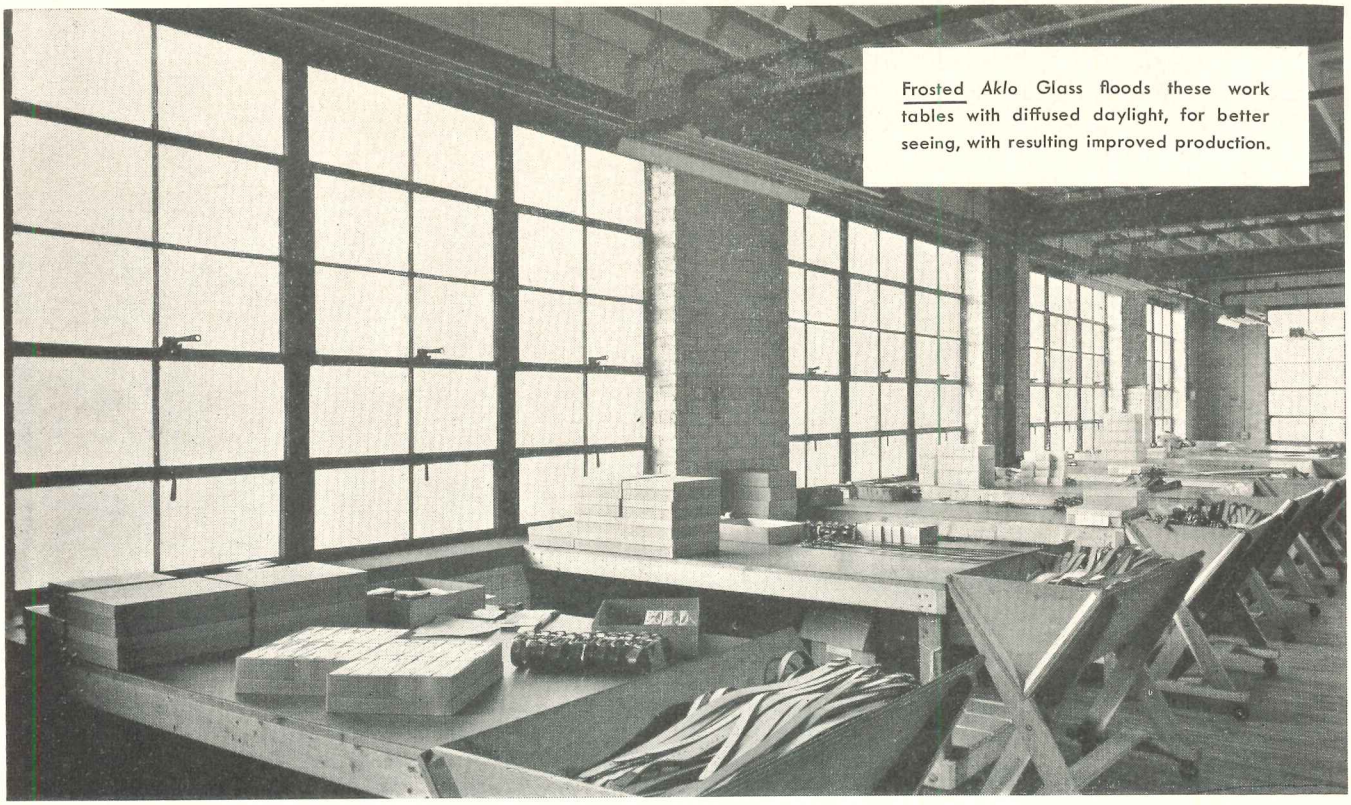

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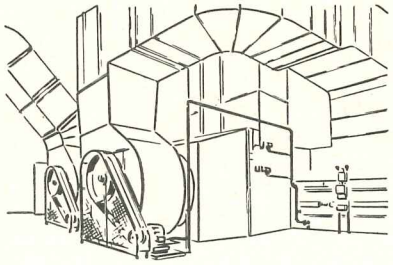

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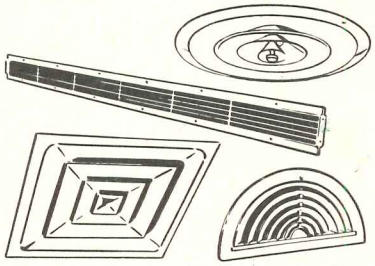

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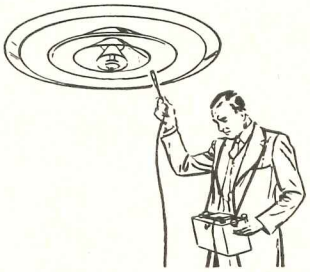

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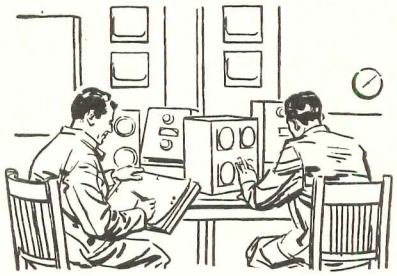

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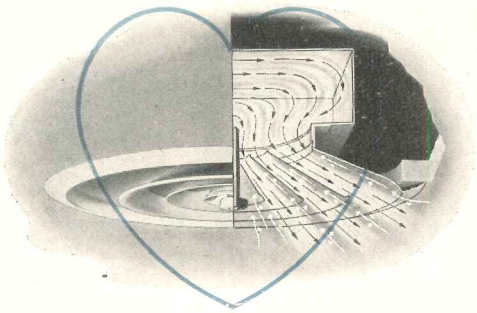

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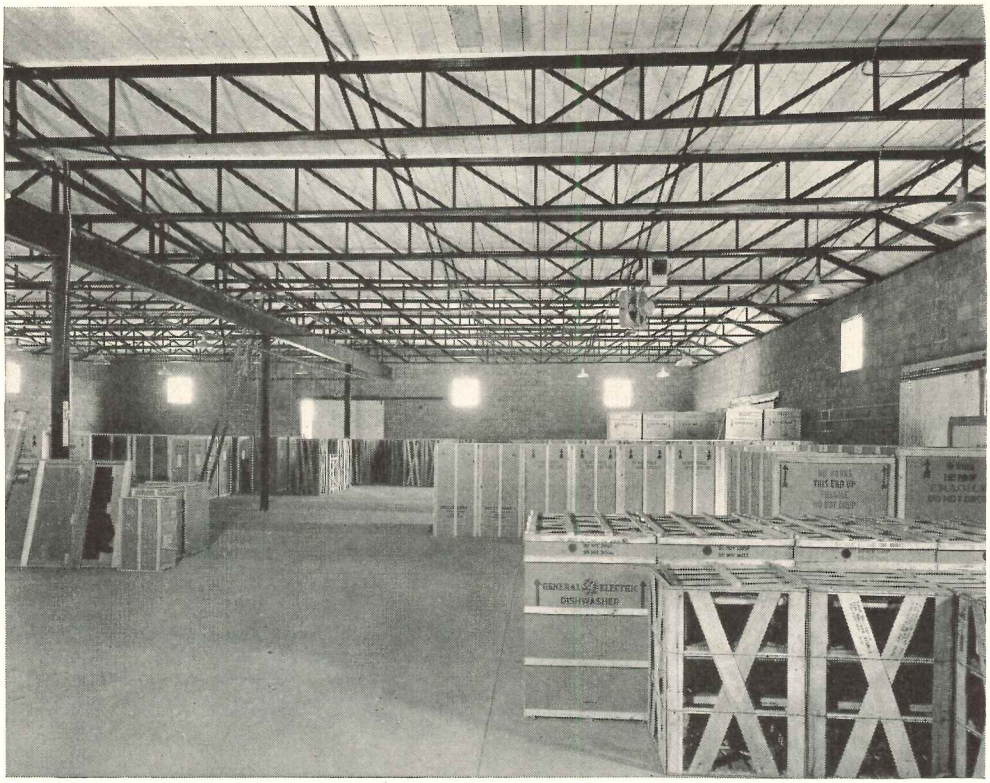

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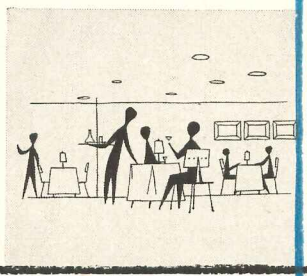

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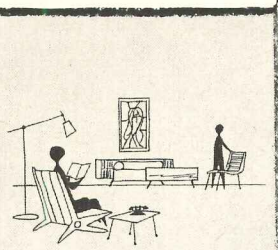

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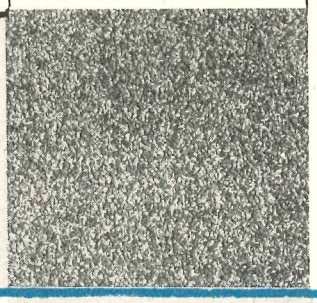

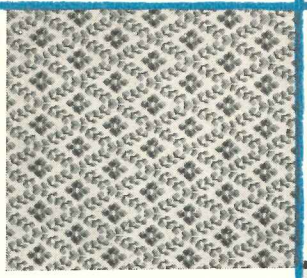

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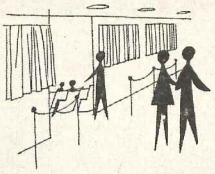

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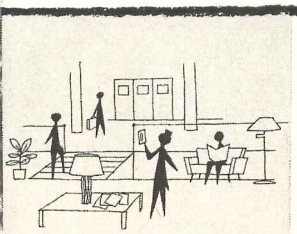

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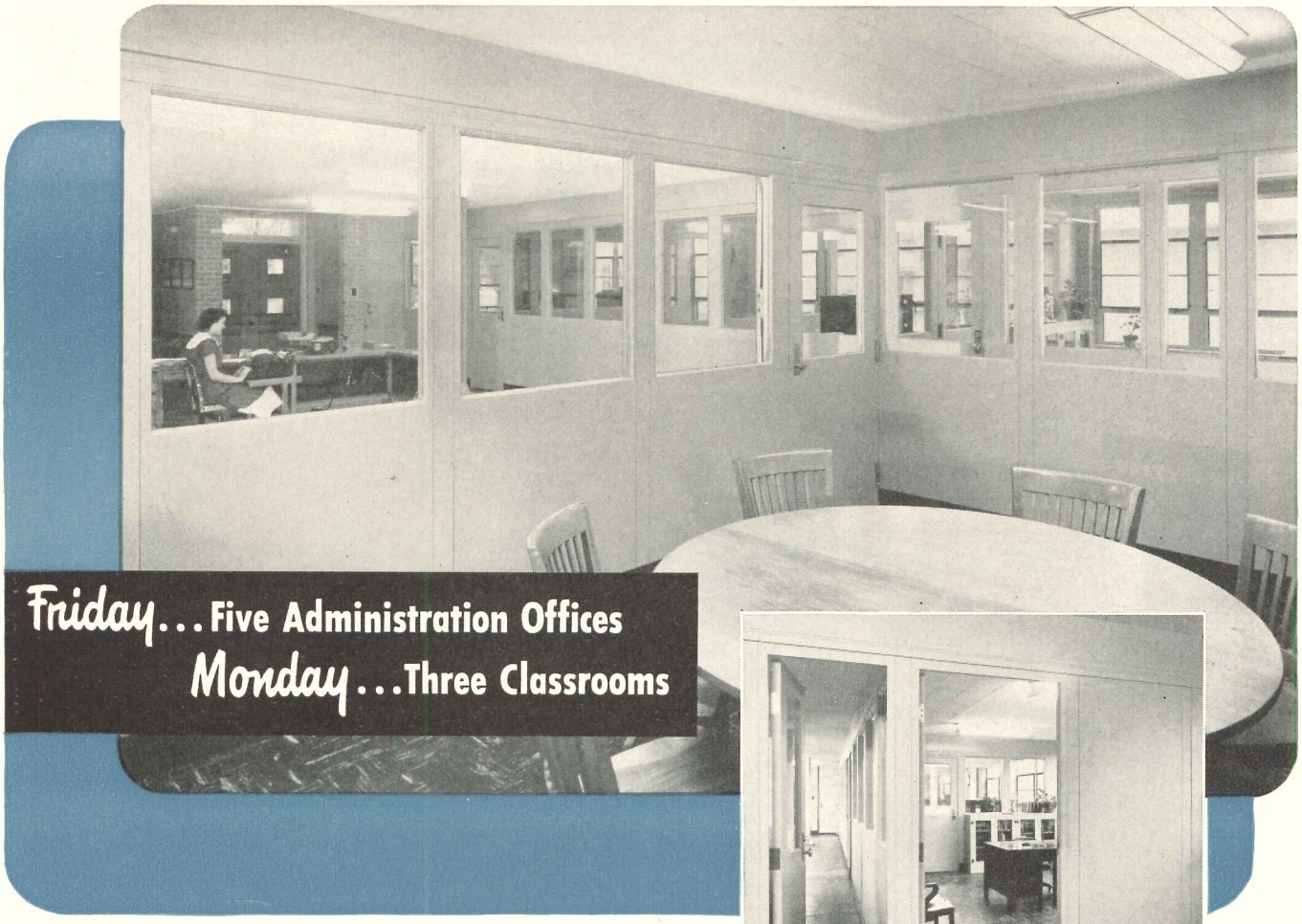

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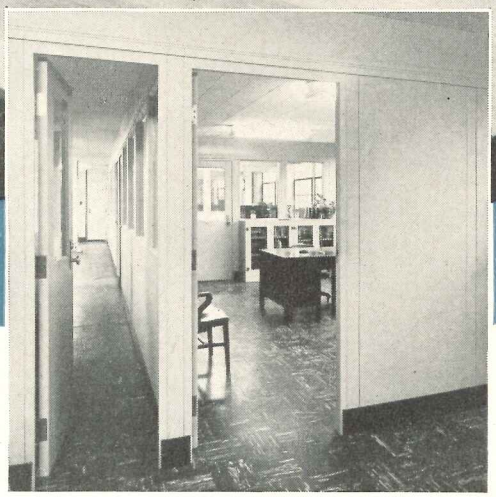

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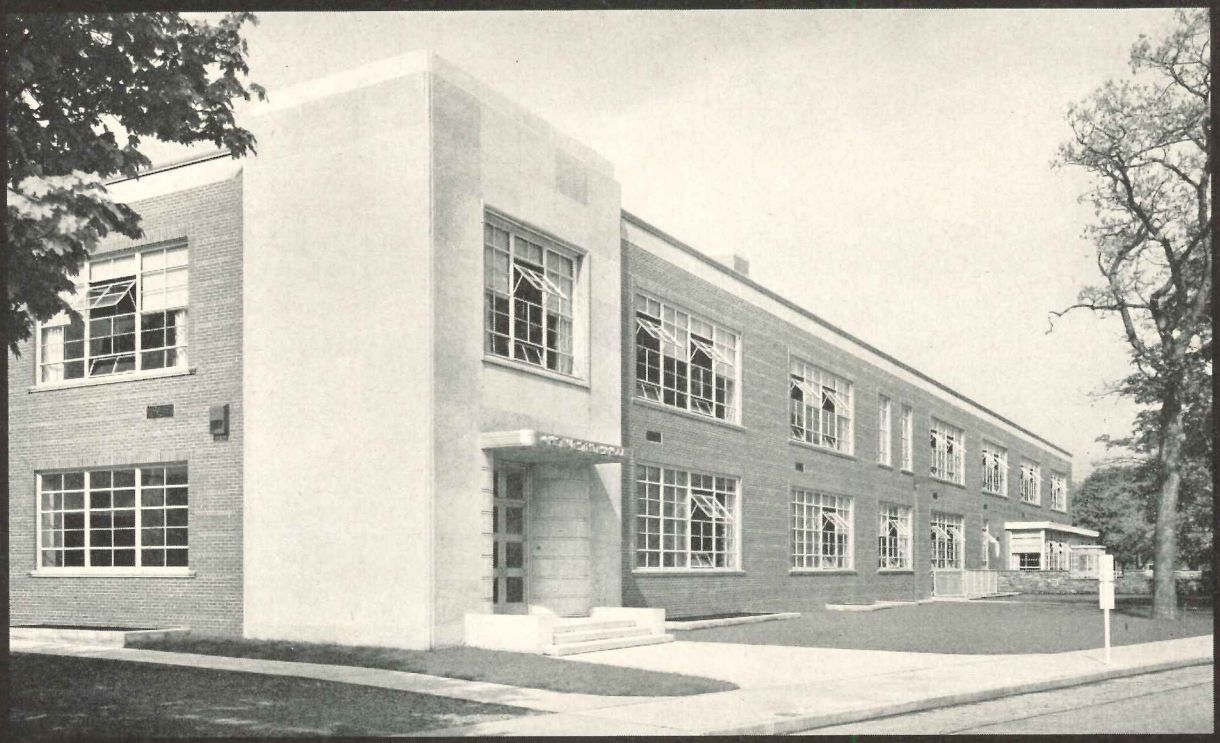

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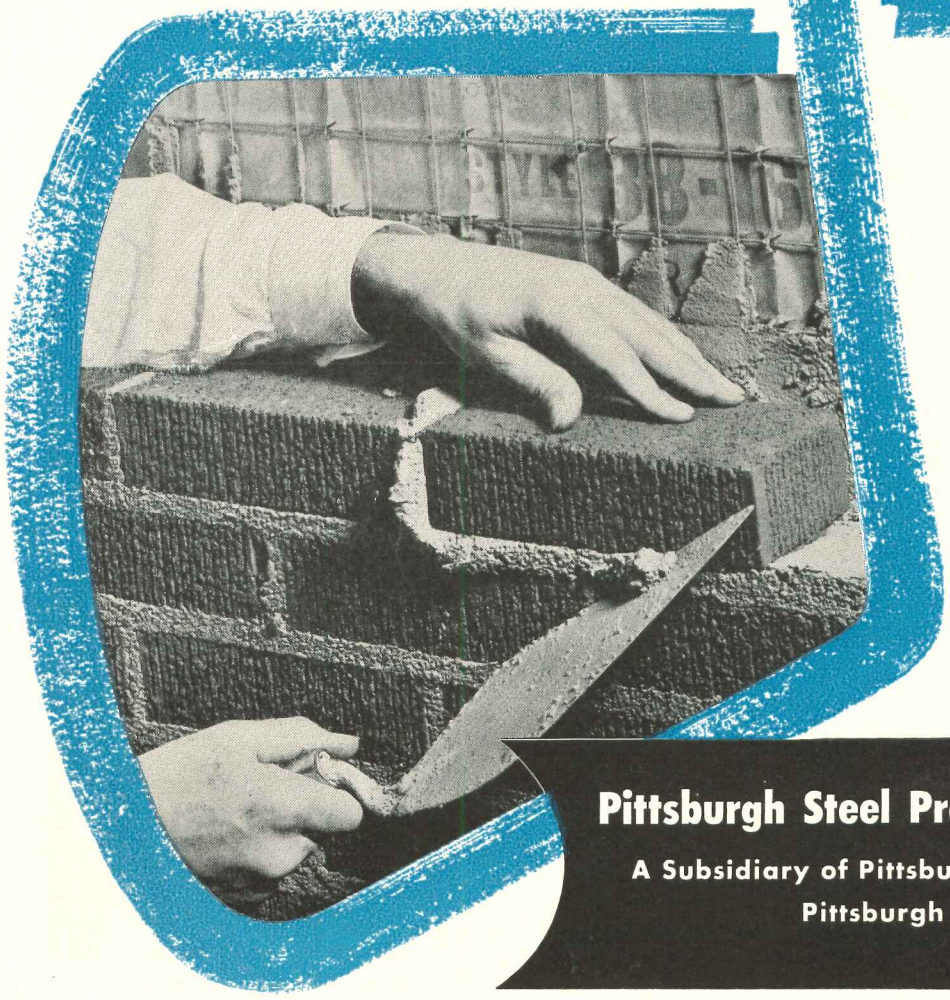

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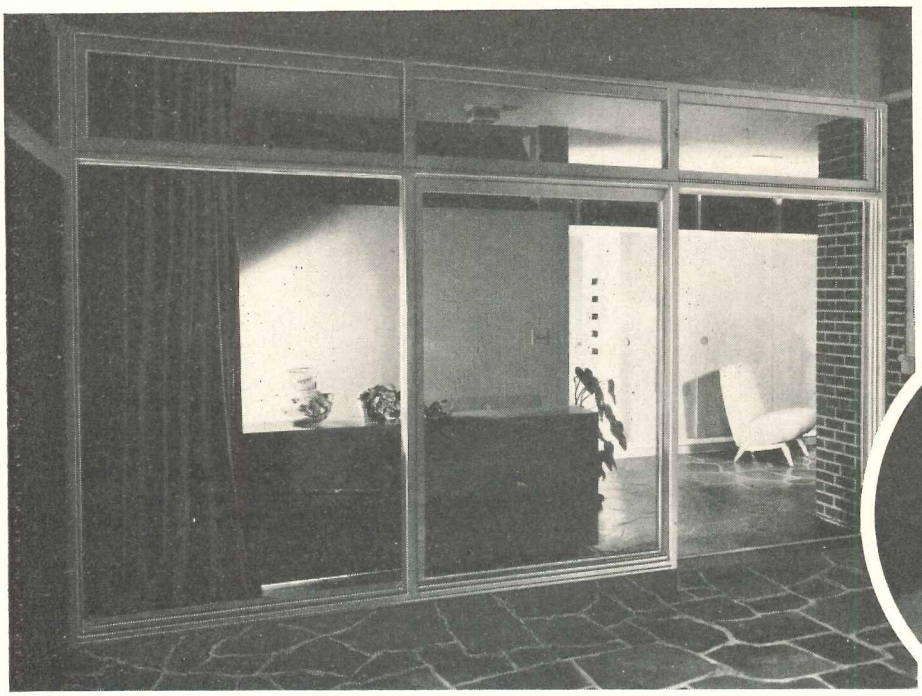

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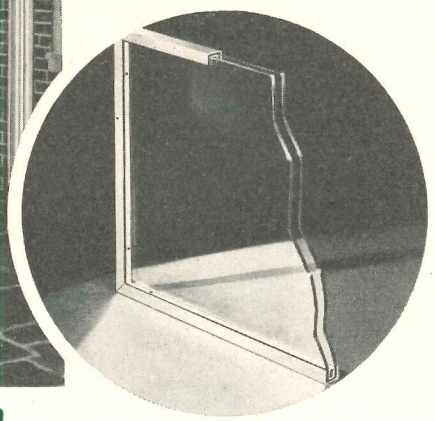

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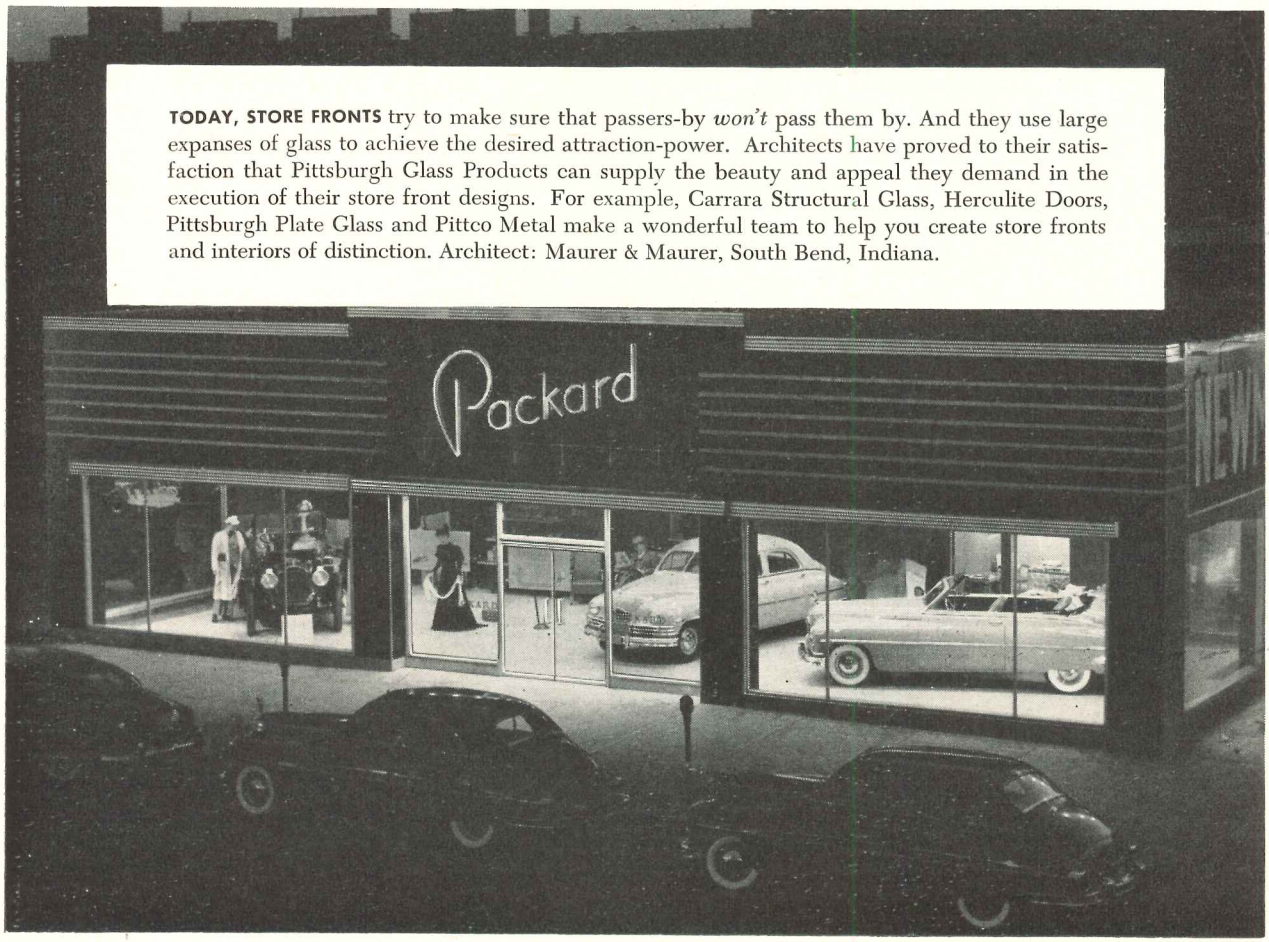


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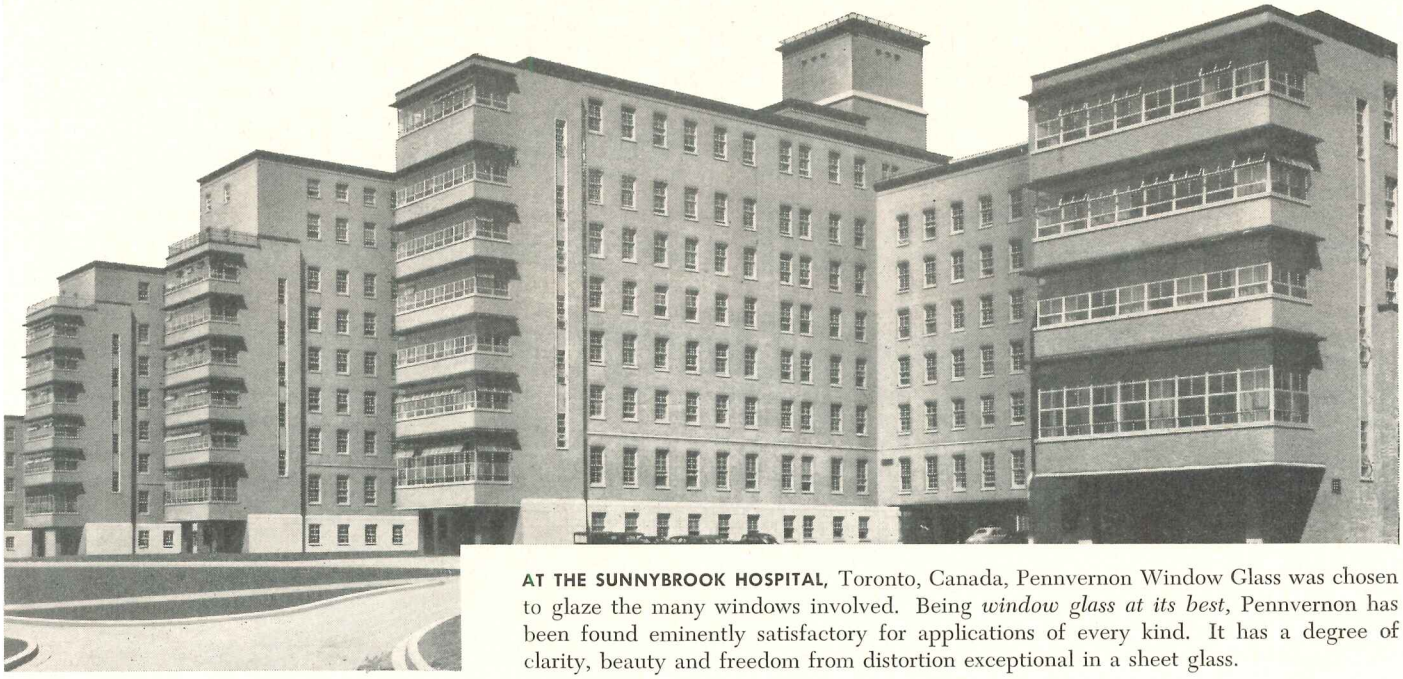

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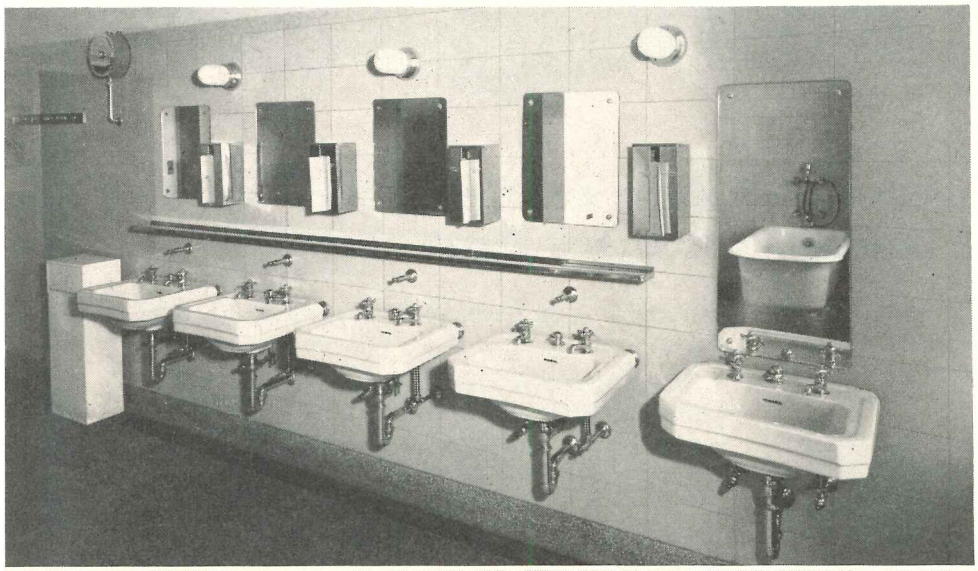

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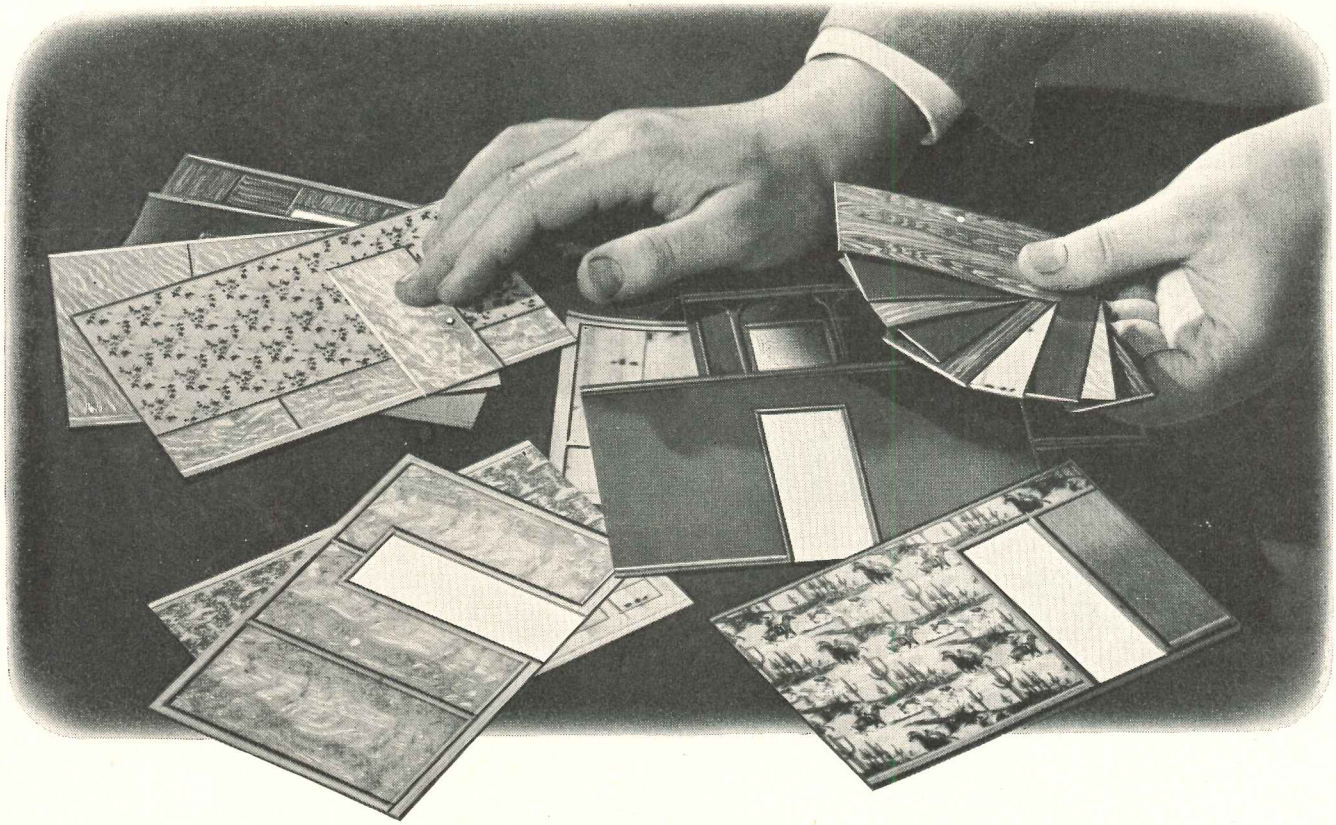

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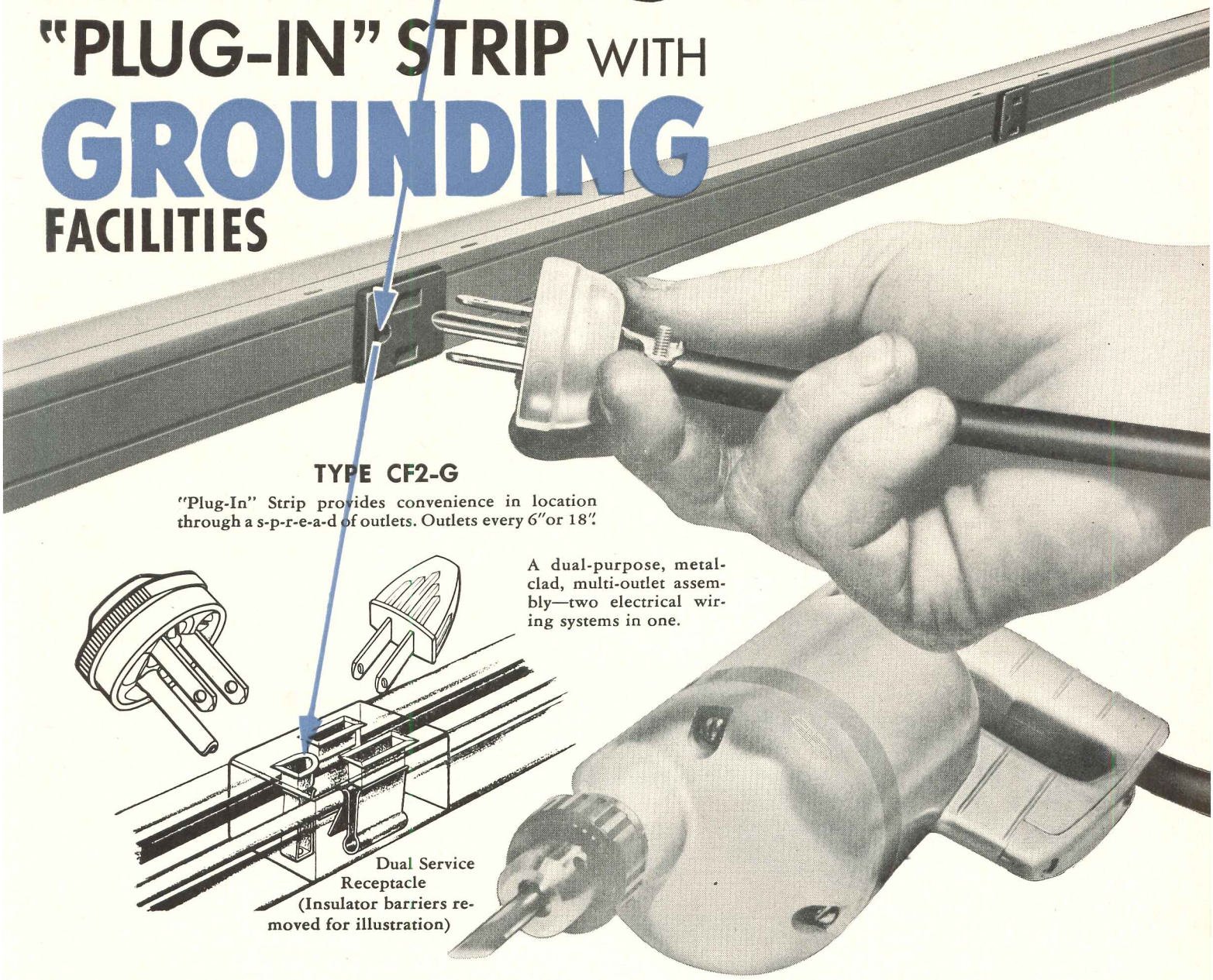

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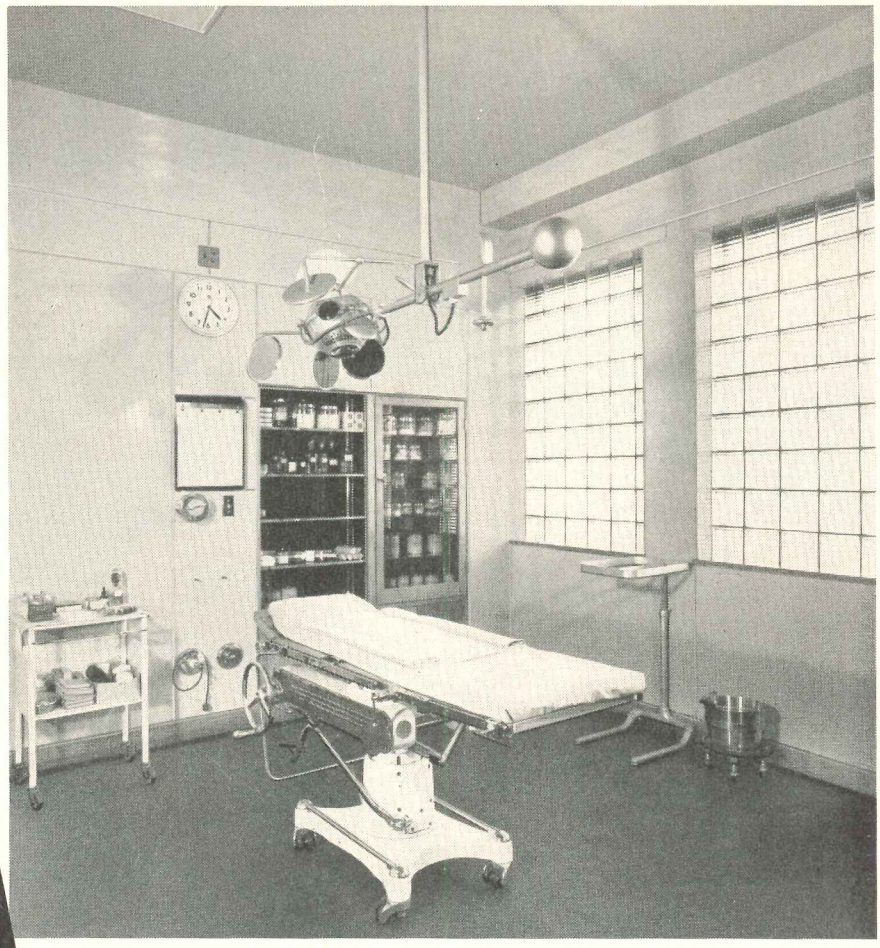

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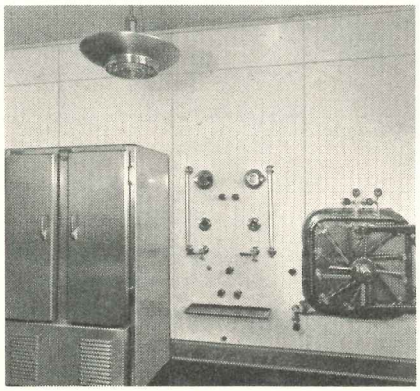

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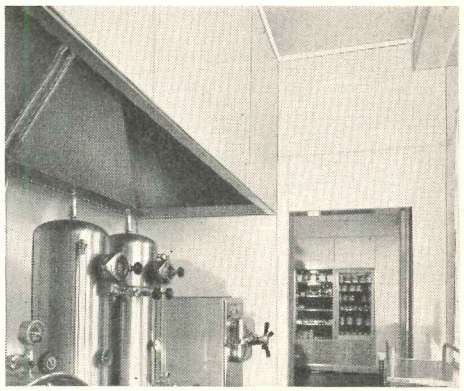

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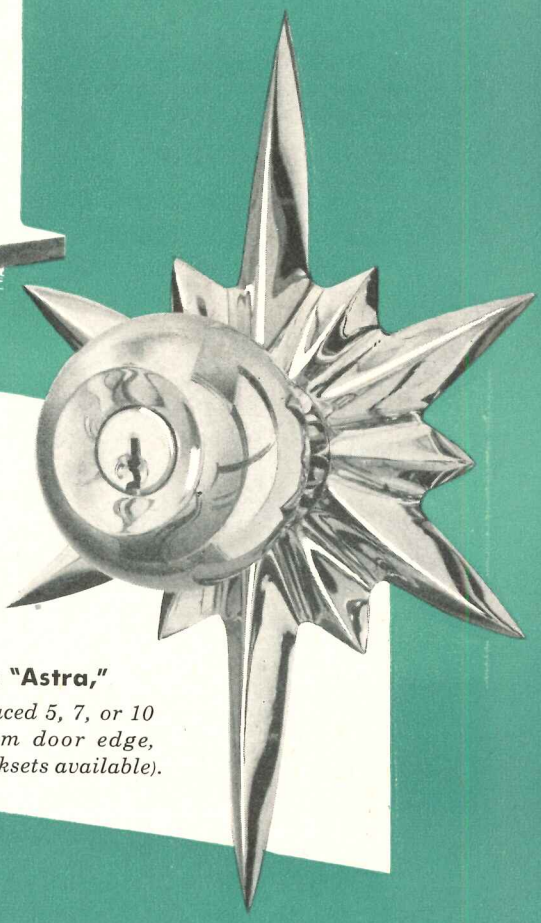

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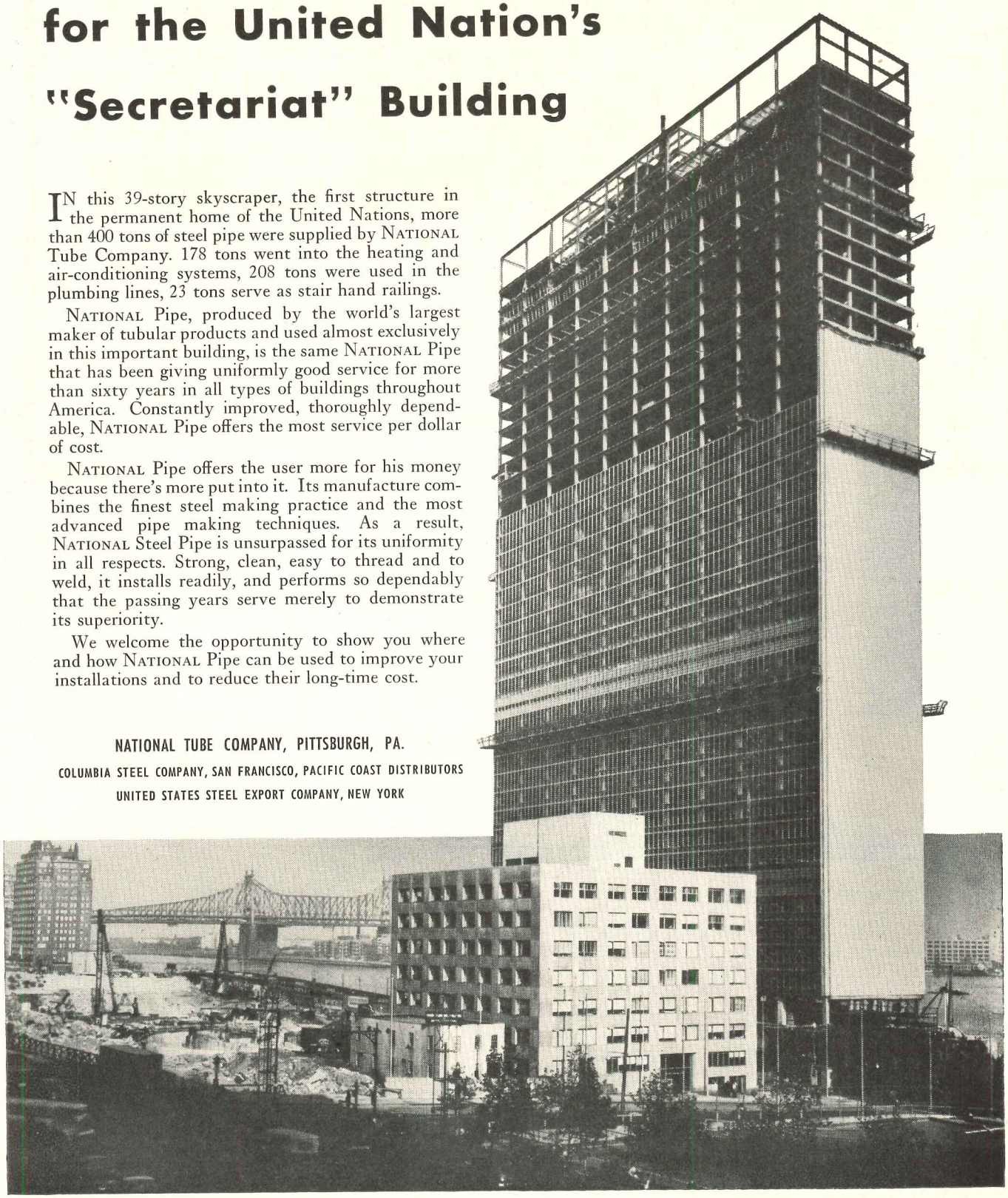

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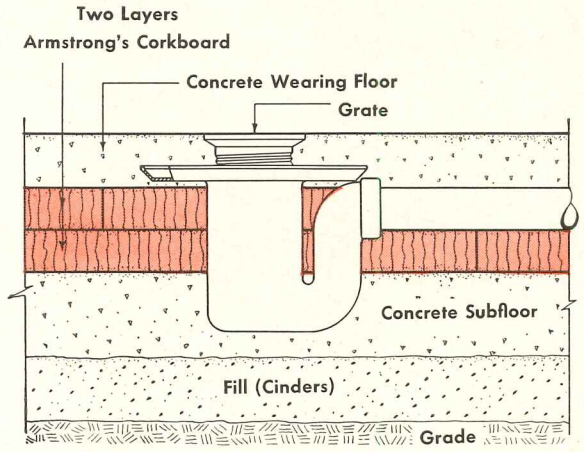


The diagram above shows a common type of floor drain fixture installed. Note that the upper layer of insulation must be cut because of the position of the drain pipe. The insulating envelope must also be pierced to accommodate the tall dimensions of this drain.

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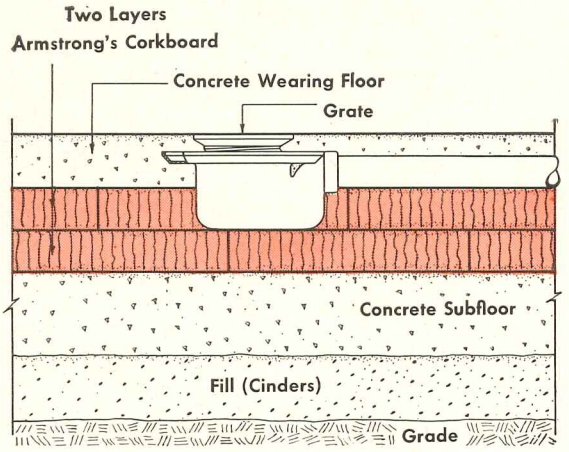


This drawing shows how a properly designed cold storage room drain can be installed. The lead-off pipe clears the upper layer of insulation. Because of its squat dimensions, this drain is readily installed without making a complete break in the flooring insulation.

# How to install floor drains in refrigerated rooms

When you're planning a low-temperature room, remember that the use of a standard type floor drain results in higher installation costs and weakens the insulation envelope.

In standard drains the outlet leads away from the trap below the wearing floor, making it necessary to tunnel it through the insulation. Labor costs go up, and insulation thickness is reduced at this point. The place where the traps of these drains completely pierce the insulation is a weak spot where trouble may develop.

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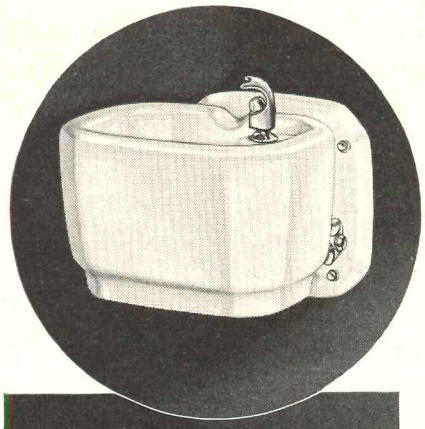

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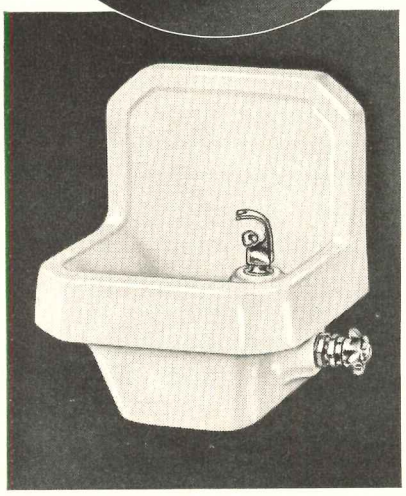

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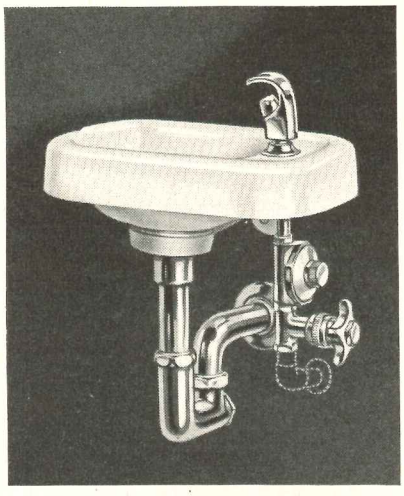

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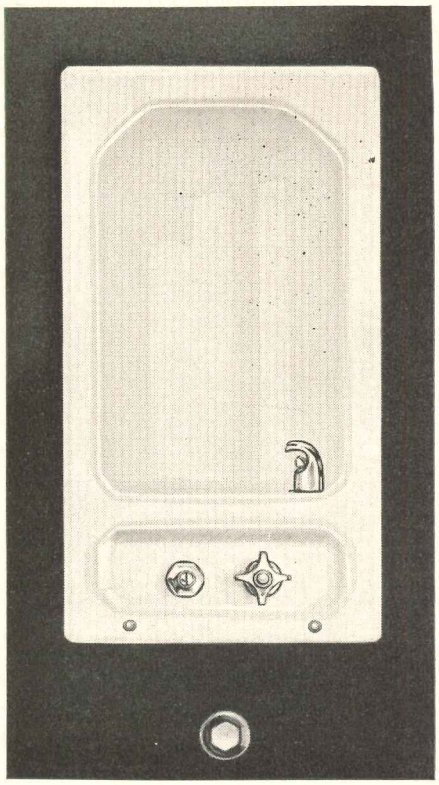

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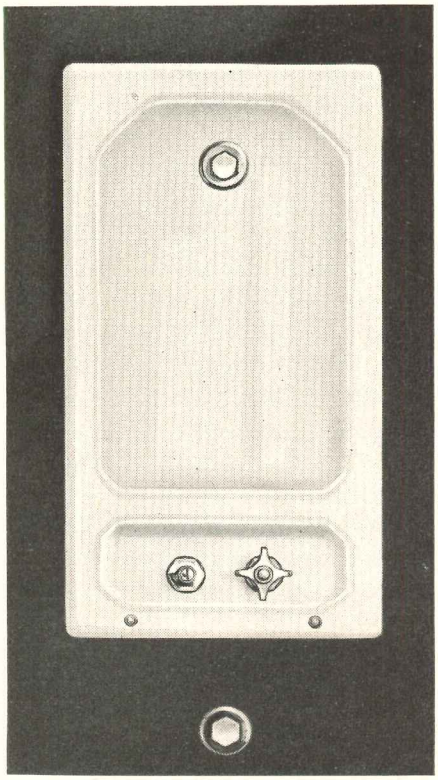

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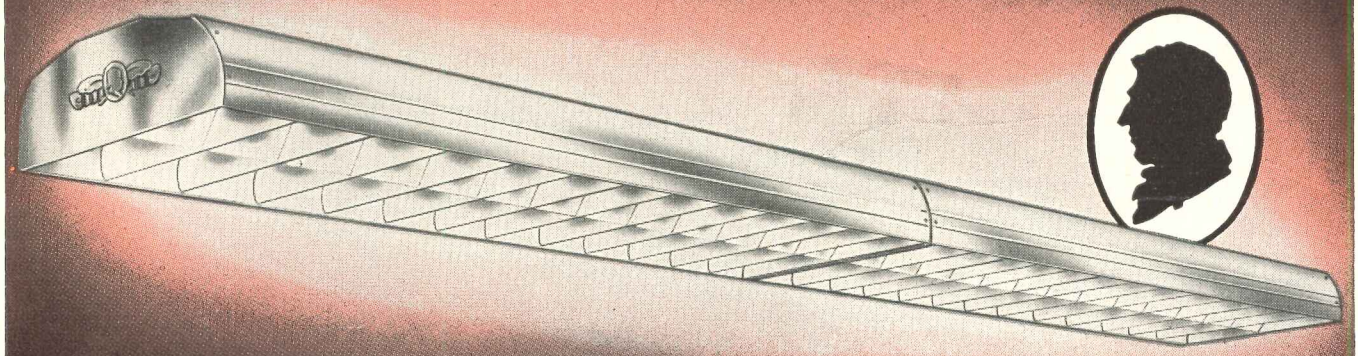

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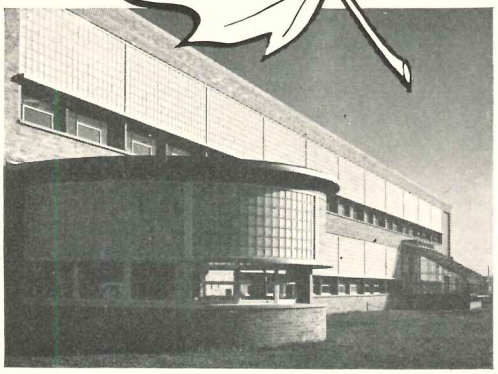

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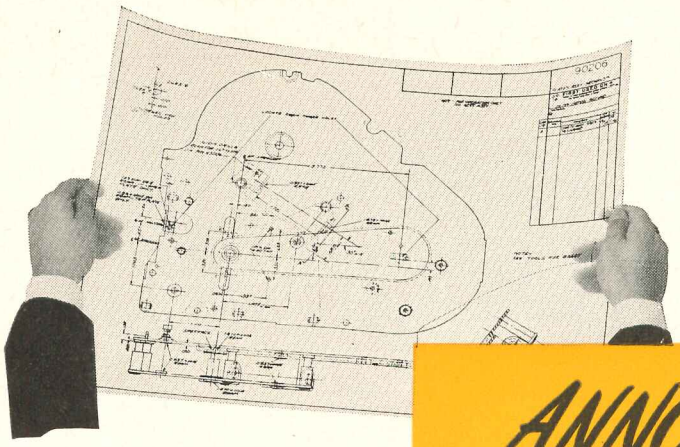

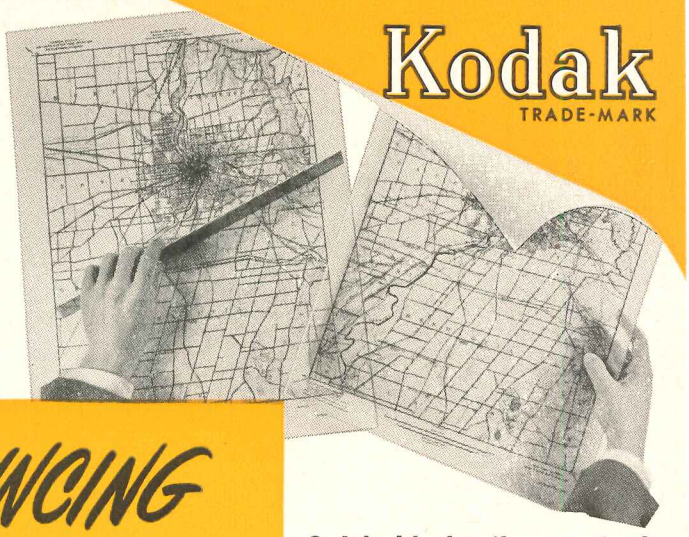

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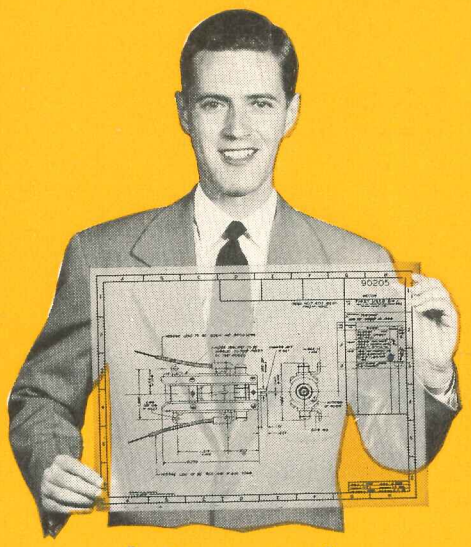

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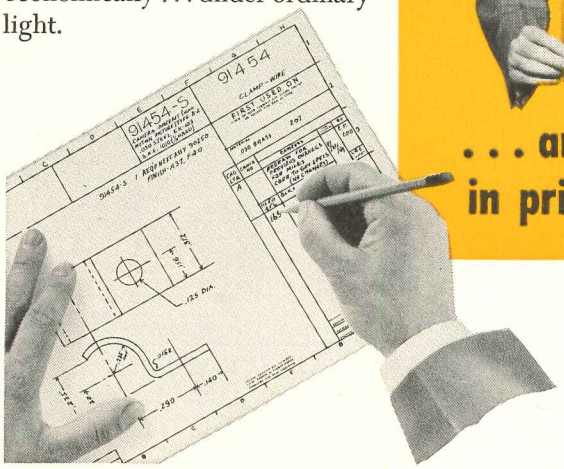

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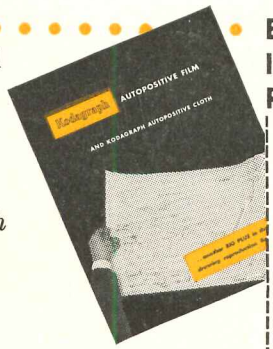


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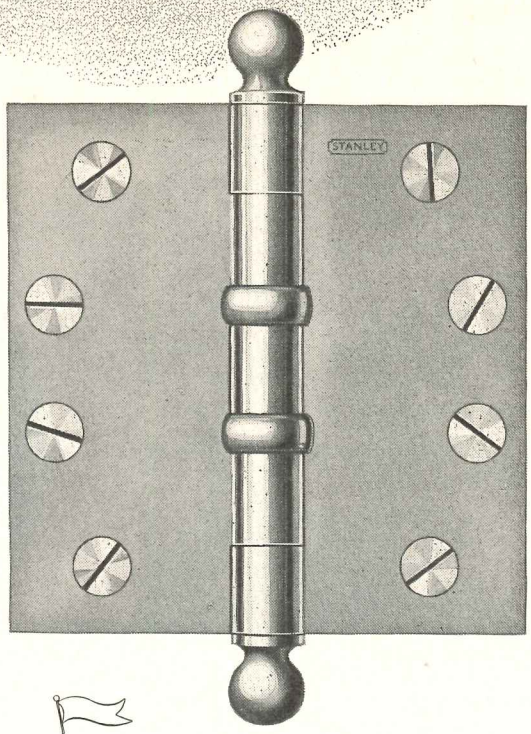


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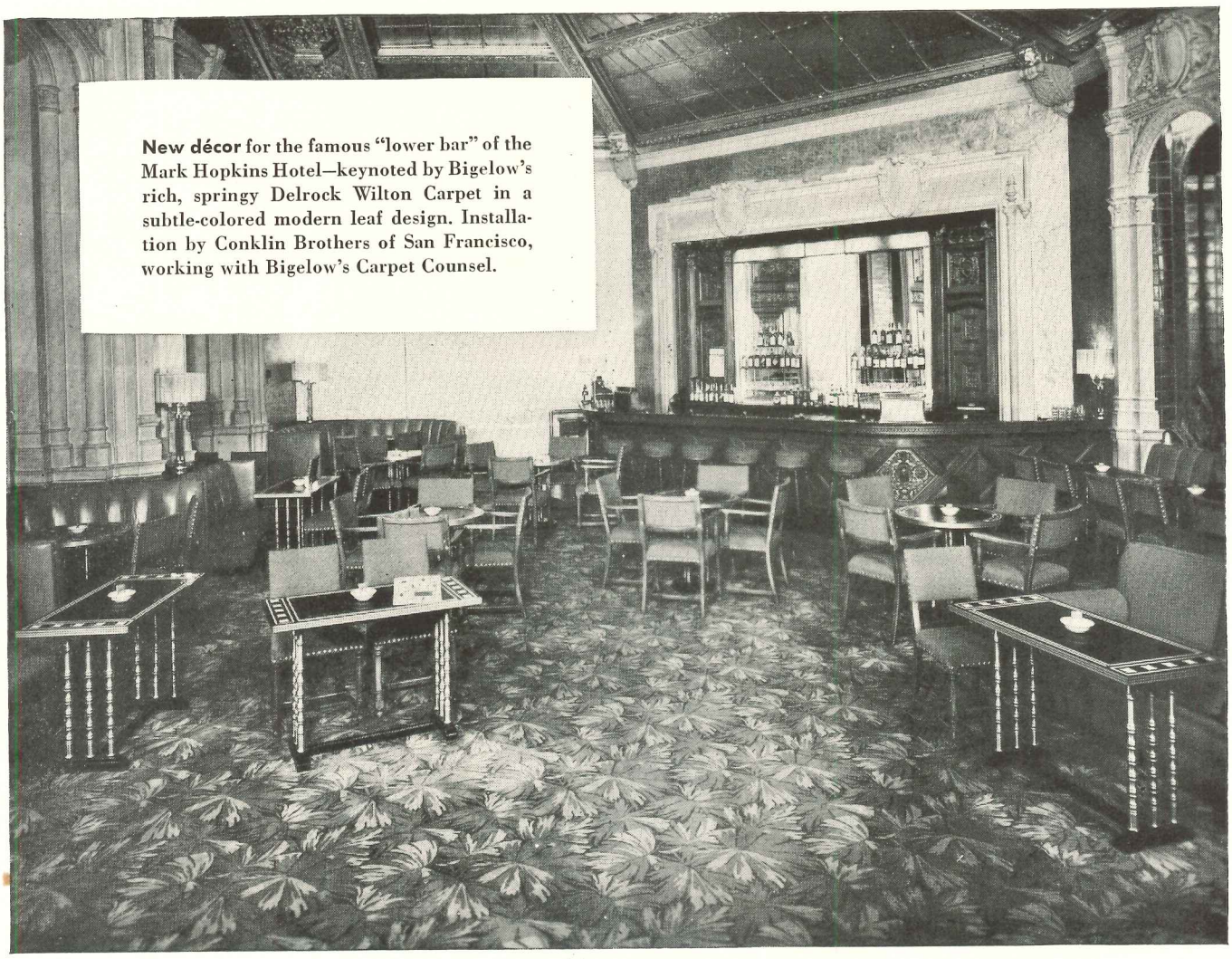

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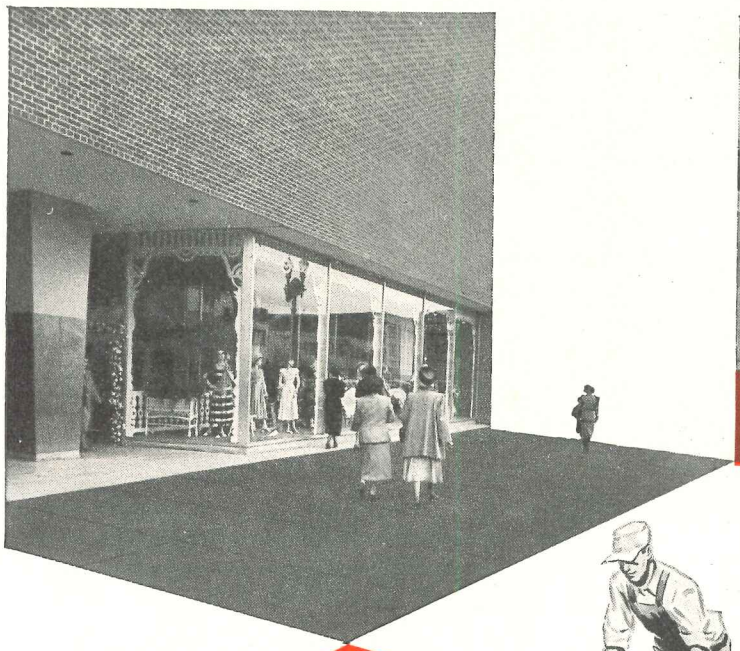

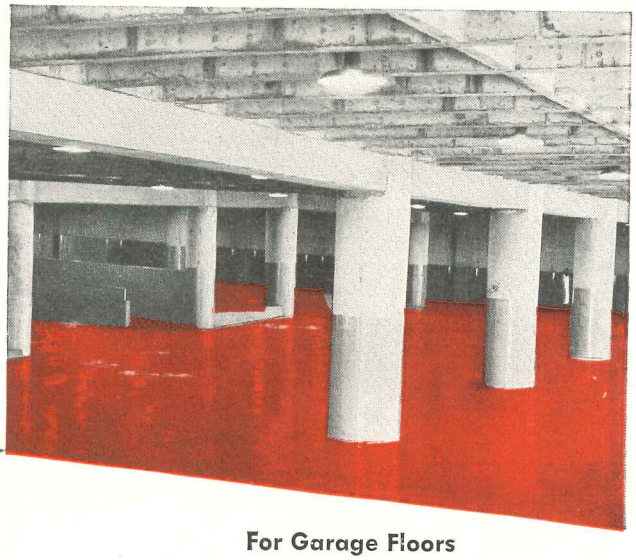

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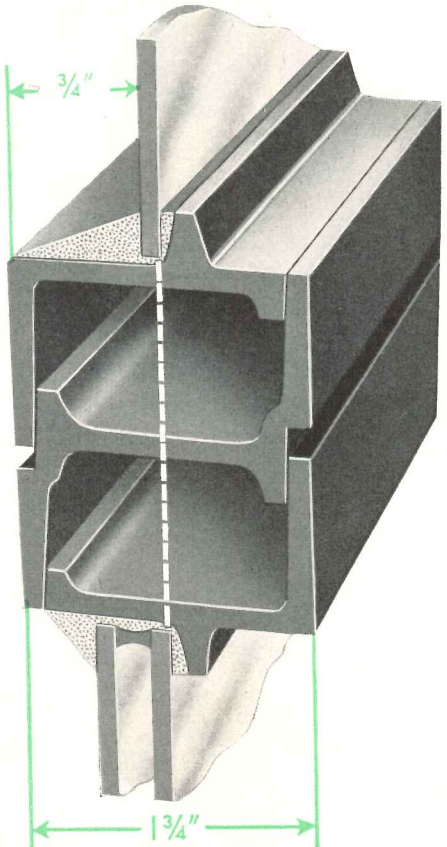


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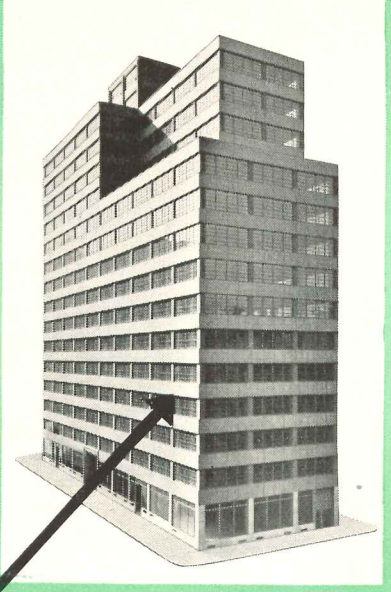

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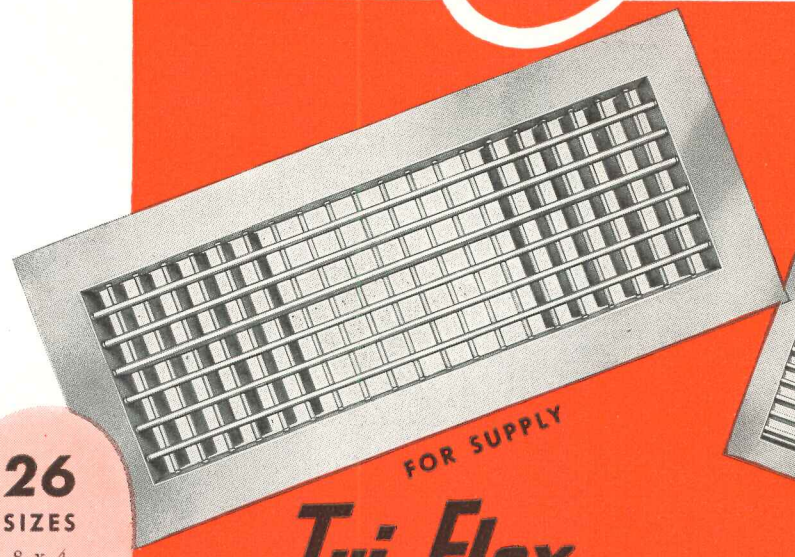

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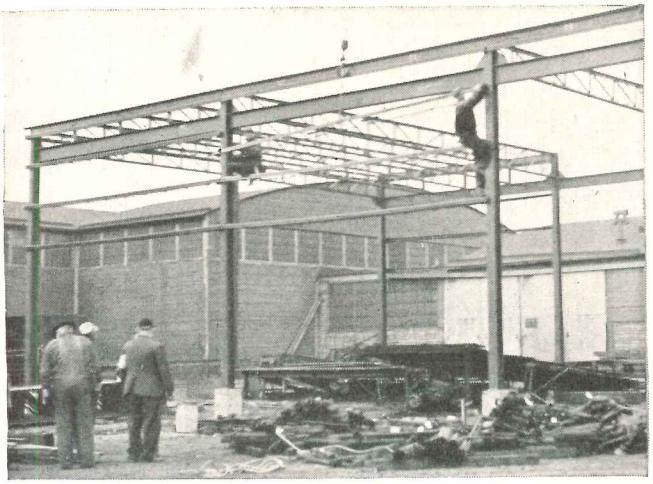

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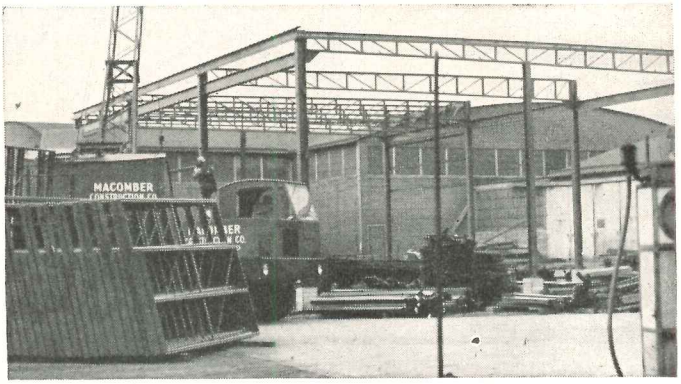


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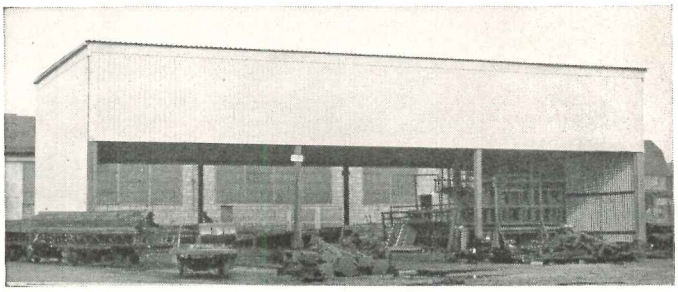

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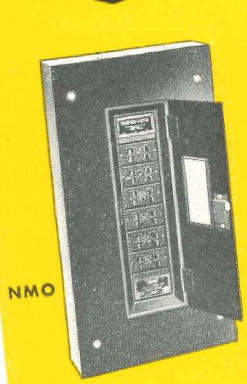
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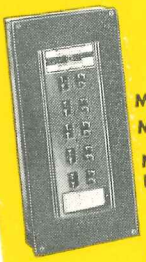
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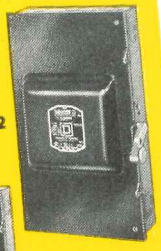
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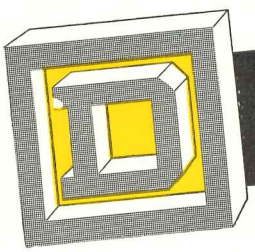

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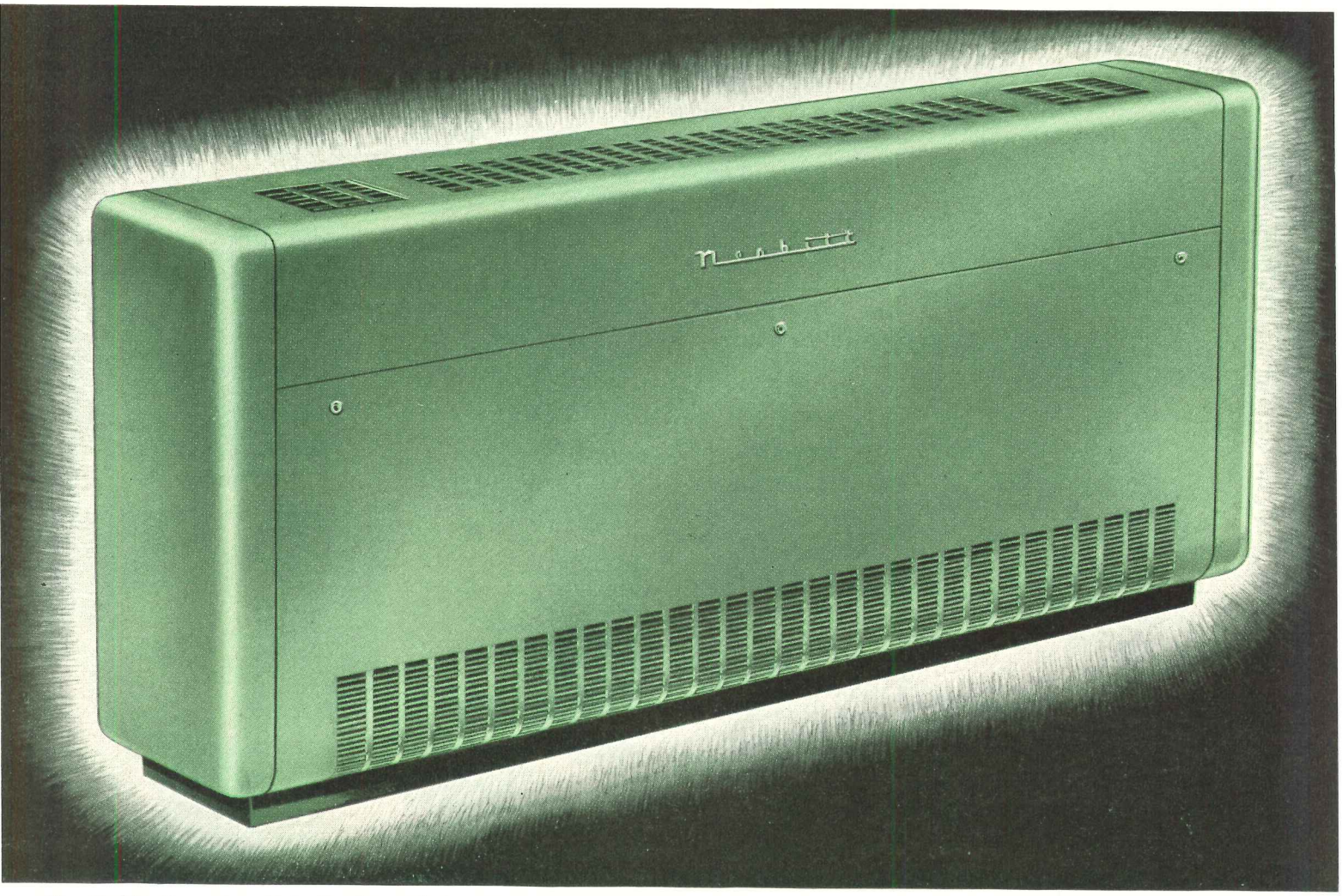
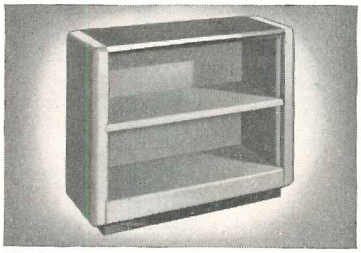



The Nesbitt Syncretizer Unit Ventilator, Series 500, semi-recessed model.



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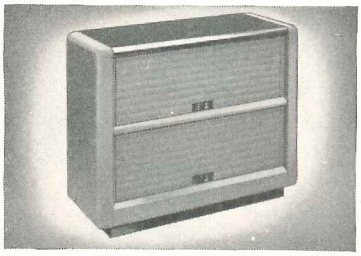
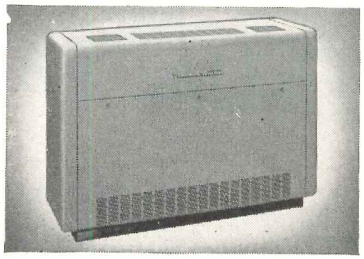


Also in three-foot lengths, closed cabinets with receding doors, locks.



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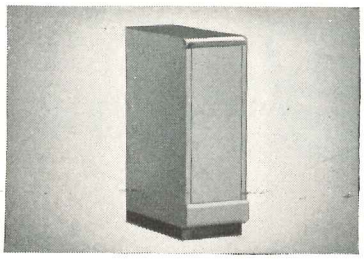

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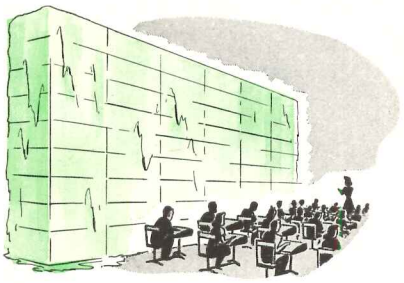

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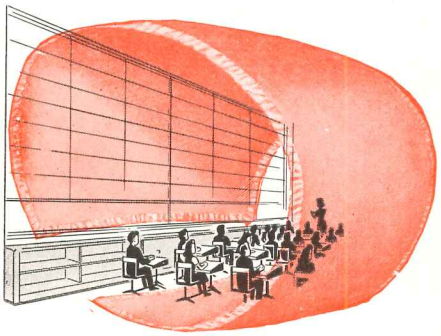

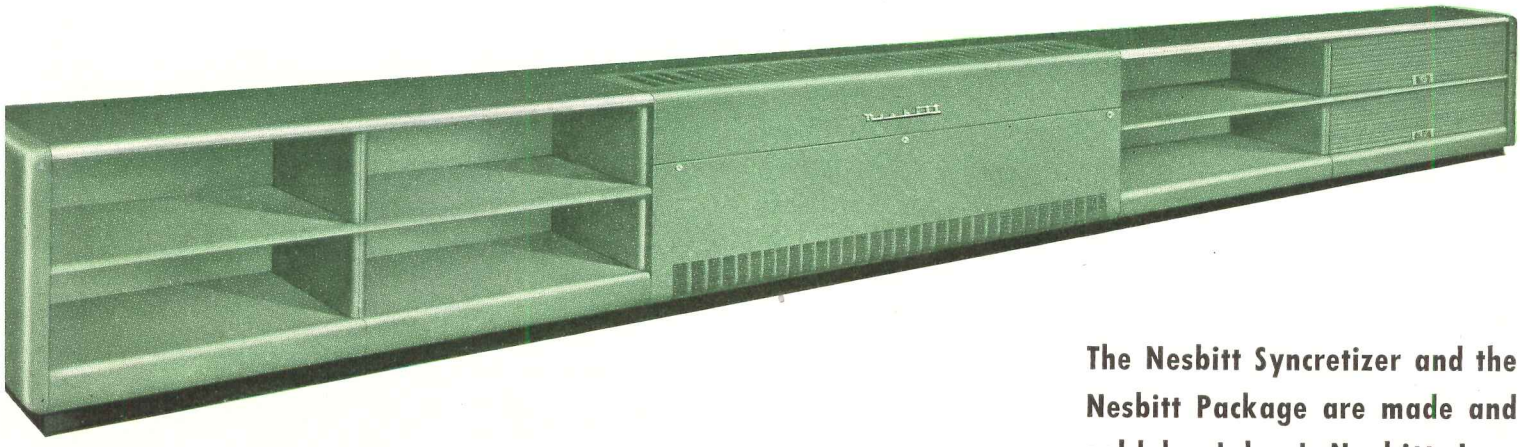

The Nesbitt Package with Syncretizer and open and closed storage cabinets.

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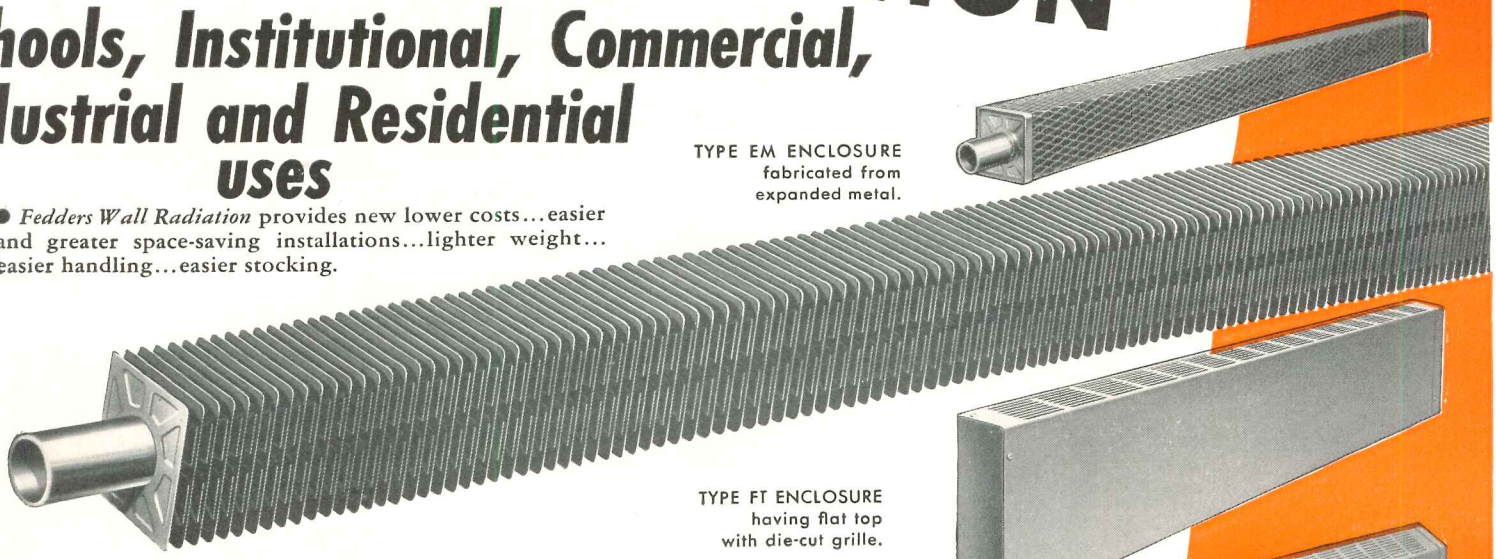

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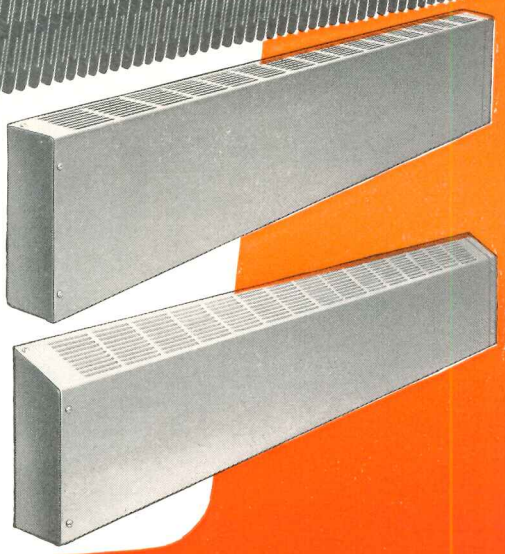

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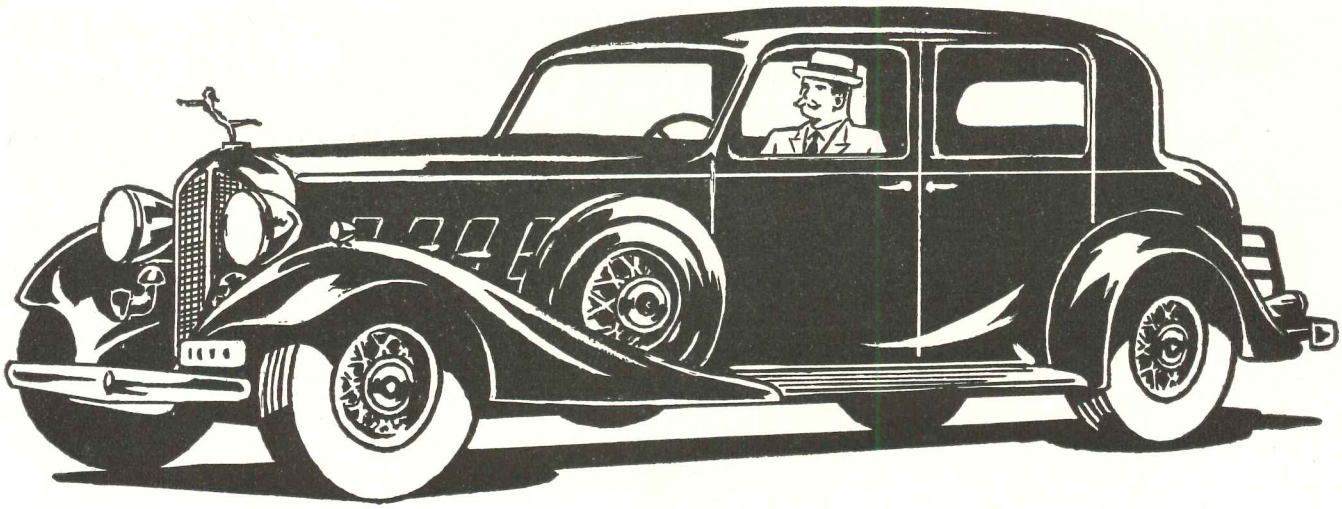

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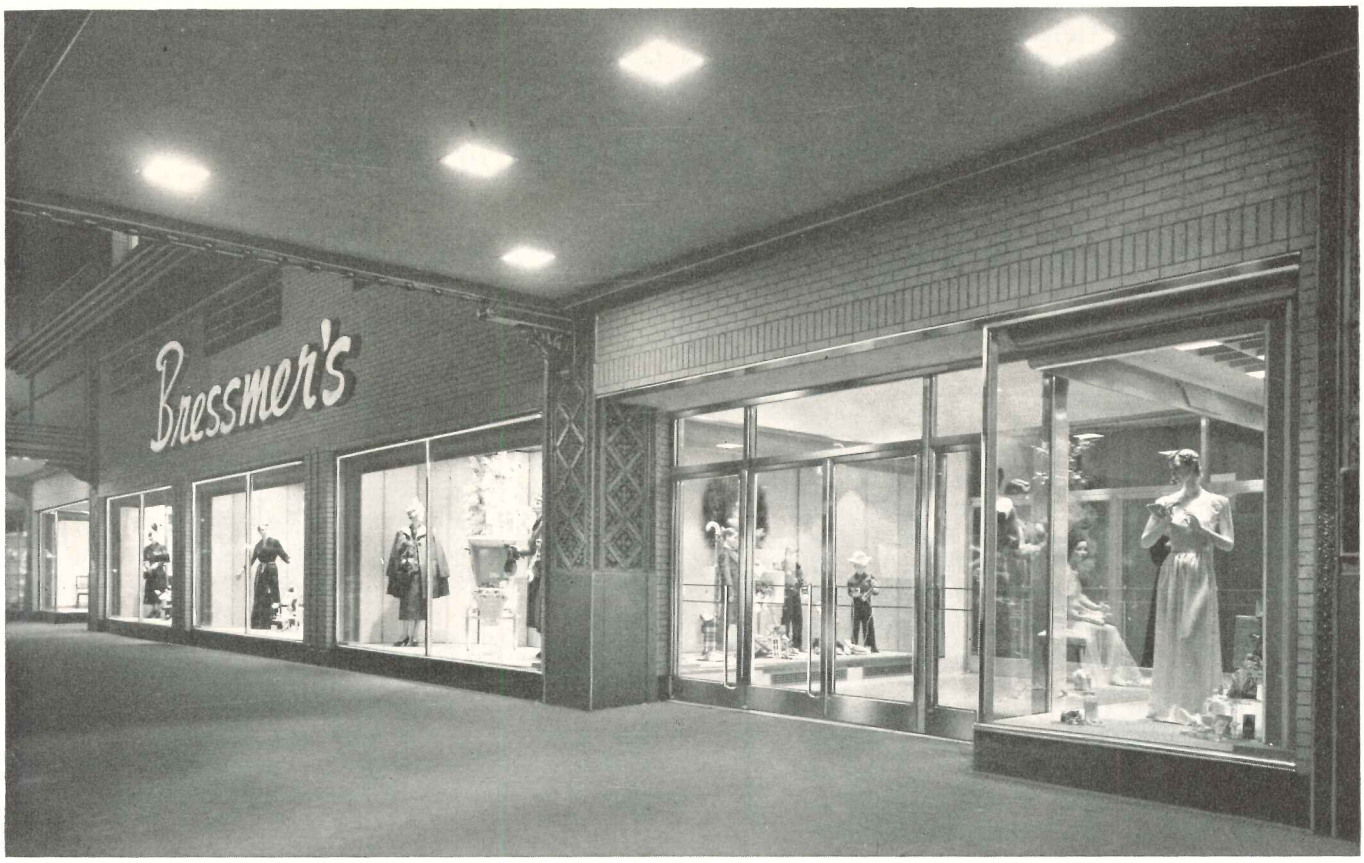


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# AIR CONDITIONING RETAIL FOOD STORES

*By H. M. Hendrickson, Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering, University of Washington*

**H. M. HENDRICKSON** *received his engineering degree from the University of Washington. He has been associated with air conditioning since 1923, having been in the employ of York Corp. and Carrier Corp. He was engaged in store air conditioning and plant refrigeration for Safeway Stores, Inc., and served as chief engineer for Ralph E. Manns Co , refrigeration engineers. Last year, he returned to his alma mater as Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering.*

Although, basically, air conditioning the large retail food store or super market provides comfort for both customers and employees, it also supplies the following six essential benefits:

**1. Better keeping qualities** of the food being sold;

**2. Maintenance of the food** in more satisfactory condition at the point of sale;

**3. Reduction in the frequency** of cleaning and painting of the store interior;

**4. Proper ventilation** to reduce odors from fruits, vegetables and other store stocks;

**5. Prevention of dust** entering from outside the store;

**6. Improvement in the operation** of meat cases, frozen-food cases, ice cream cabinets and walk-in refrigerators.

## METHODS OF AIR CONDITIONING

While it is possible under certain special outside temperature conditions to use straight ventilation or evaporative cooling, a system using mechanical refrigeration is the most positive and the most universally satisfactory method of providing comfort conditions.

Beside reducing temperature in summer, an air conditioning system also delivers filtered, dehumidified air to the selling area.

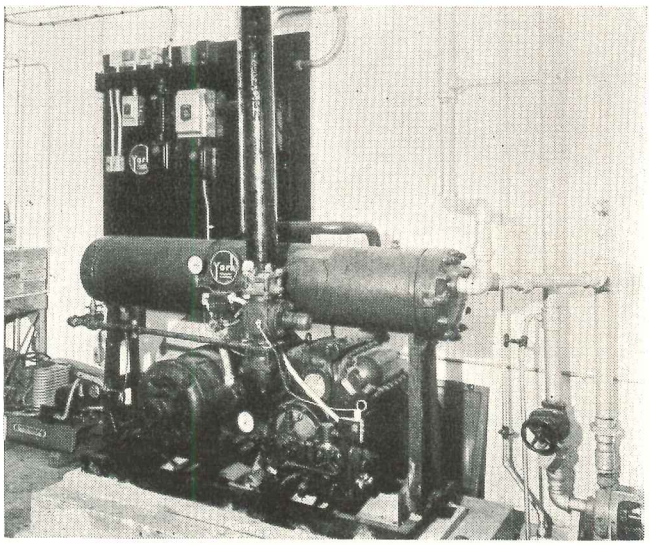
Cooling can be supplied by a central air conditioning system which employs one large refrigeration unit and air ducts to convey the conditioned air to outlets in the store, or by means of a number of properly placed self-contained or packaged air conditioners.

Unit air conditioners should be located near the points of greatest cooling load so as to blanket these areas with cool air. However, it is not usually considered good practice to blow cold air from unit conditioners over the fresh fruit and vegetable areas because of the danger of dehydrating such produce.

## AIR CIRCULATION

It is not economical to circulate 100 per cent outside air except in localities where cool well water can be pumped cheaply and used for precooling the incoming air. Therefore, air conditioning systems use about 25 per cent fresh outside air and 75 per cent recirculated air. Dampers are installed so that all fresh air can be circulated during mild outside weather. The store should have about five complete air changes per hour.

When large quantities of fresh air are used, a positive pressure is produced which prevents outside dirt and dust from entering the store. However, the excess air must be vented to the attic and then



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to the outside by means of roof ventilators.

## DESIGN DATA

Inside temperature conditions should be maintained in summer at 78 to 80 degrees F. and the relative humidity at 50 per cent.

In planning air conditioning systems for the retail food stores, the designer should consider that one horsepower of the refrigeration compressor will produce one ton of refrigeration effect, or perhaps slightly more. One ton of refrigeration will serve from 300 to 500 sq. ft. of floor area, depending upon climatic conditions. Air circulation should be from 1 to 1.25 c.f.m. for each square foot of floor area.

A fan-cooling system with refrigeration, or one employing a number of small 3- or 5-h.p. unit or packaged air conditioners, generally costs from$1.00 to $1.50 per square foot of floor area, or from $400 to $600 per ton of refrigeration. A good average figure to use is $500 per ton of refrigeration.

Based on a cooling season of 1000 operating hours for the equipment, and power costs of 1.5 cents per kilowatt-hour, a rough average figure for operation and maintenance is $30 per ton refrigeration per season. This figure does not include interest and depreciation on the capital investment.

To help reduce operating costs, satisfactory insulation against heat gain from the outside is an important consideration. For one-story buildings, a minimum requirement is to have 3 to 4 inches of roof or ceiling insulation.

Unless the store has its own well system, a cooling tower or an evaporative condenser should be installed to save on the cooling water required. This applies to both packaged units and central air conditioning systems.

## HEATING

During the winter, particularly in cold climates, heating must be provided for the comfort of customers and employees. Where a central air conditioning system using air ducts is employed, one main heating coil may be installed in the duct system.

However, it is advisable to have some type of booster heater at the entrances to offset drafts and to provide greater comfort for the employees at the check-out stations. While employees at check-out stations may require 70 degrees F., customers are comfortable at 65 degrees F., for they are wearing street clothes and are moving about.

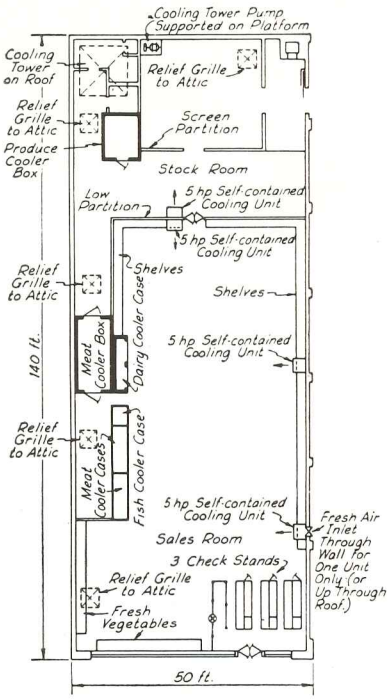
Auxiliary humidification is seldom provided for the heating of retail food stores.

Operating costs for the heating cycle vary so greatly with climatic conditions and fuel costs that it is practically impossible to set an average figure.

## DEVELOPMENTS

The further development of unit or packaged air conditioning units may reduce costs sufficiently so that air conditioning will be attractive to the 475,000 major retail food stores in the United States. Several large food chains have already tried the packaged air conditioners with considerable success.

The architect and engineer will find that the retail food store is a field full of opportunities for the application of new and improved methods of air conditioning, with possibilities for both radiant heating and the heat pump.




Typical cooling equipment layout for a retail food store, using 5-h.p. packaged air conditioning units.

*Plans for retail stores or modern super markets today must provide for air conditioning and refrigeration. These must be adequate to assure comfort for customers and employees and optimum conditions for protecting perishable foodstuffs.*

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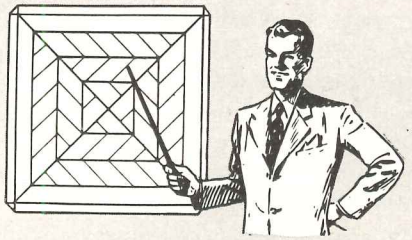

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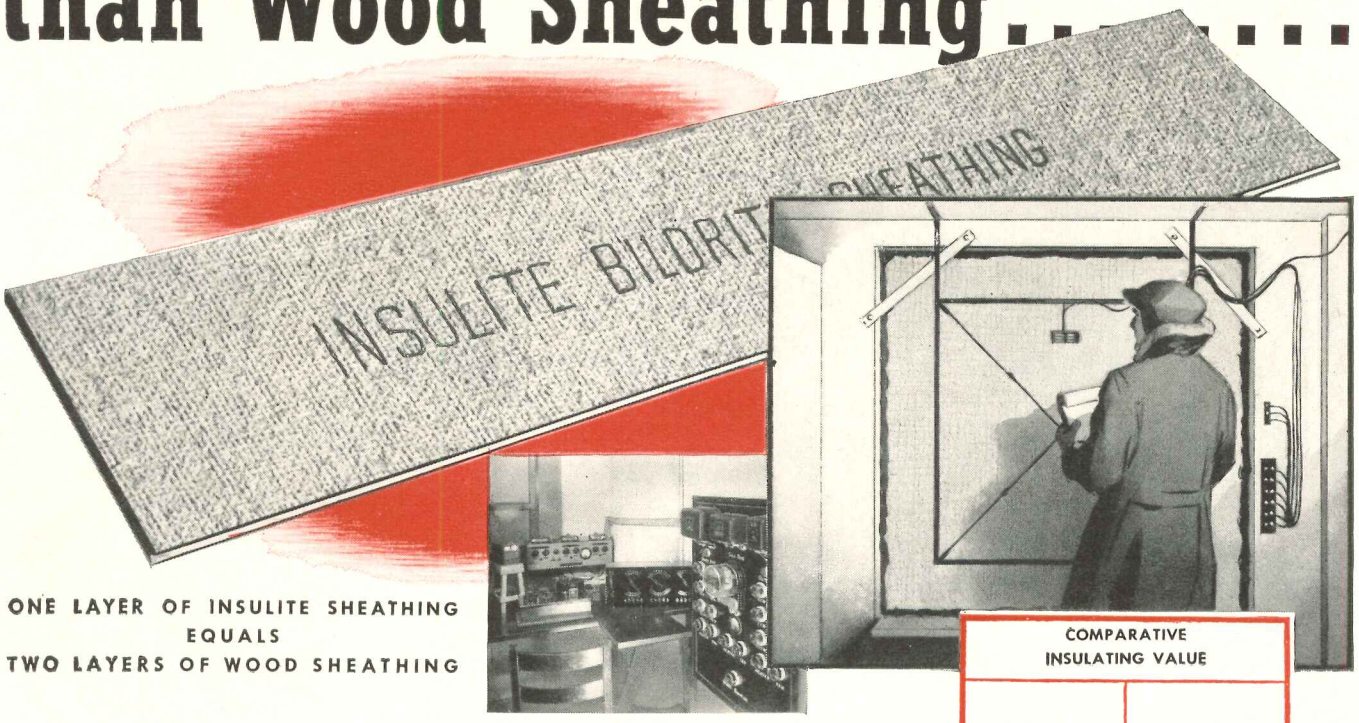


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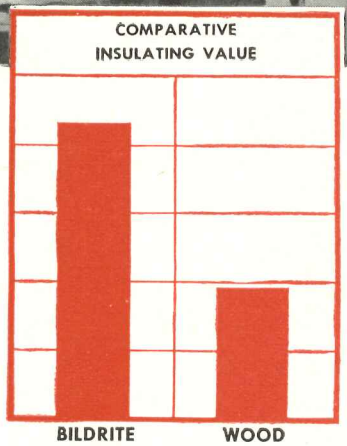


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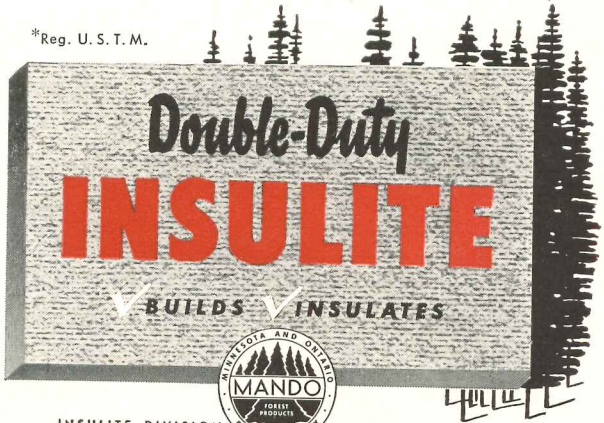


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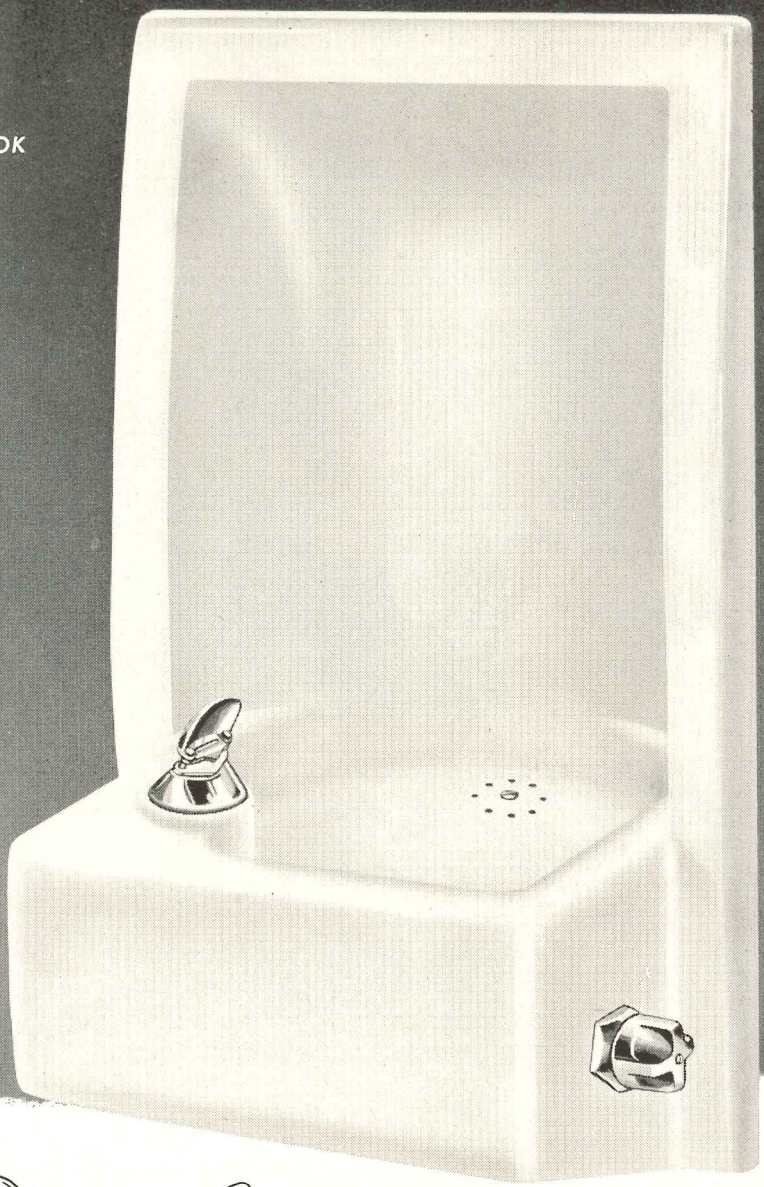

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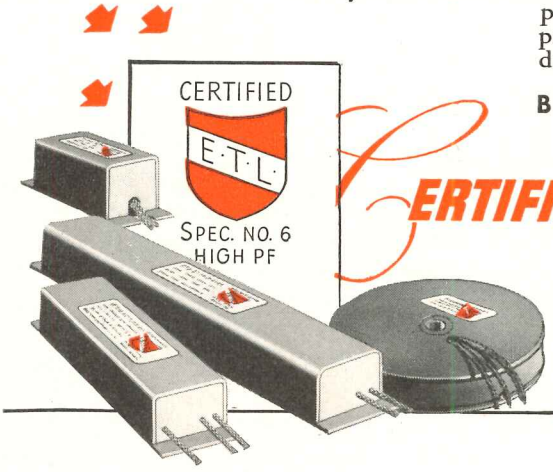


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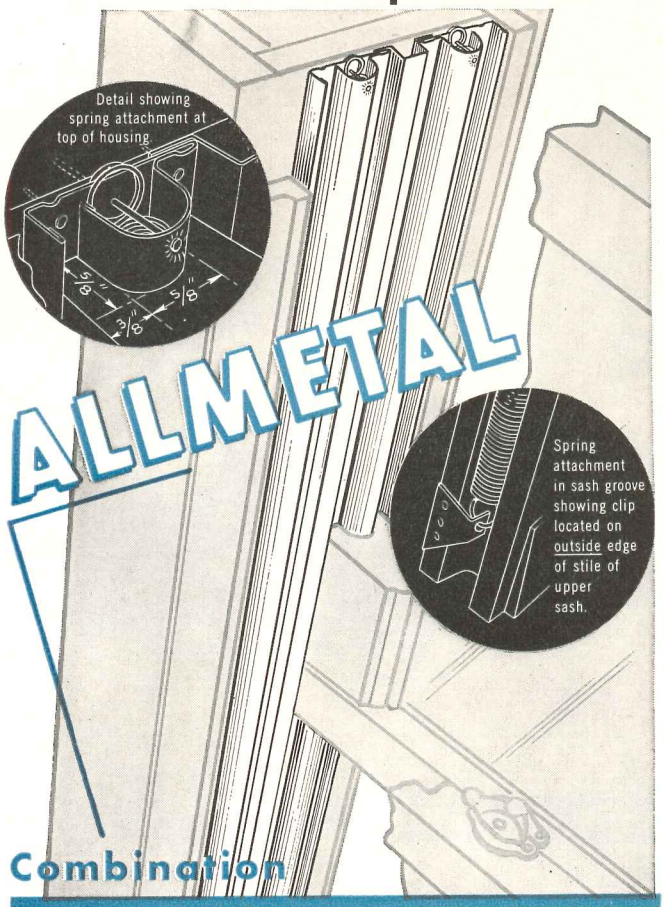


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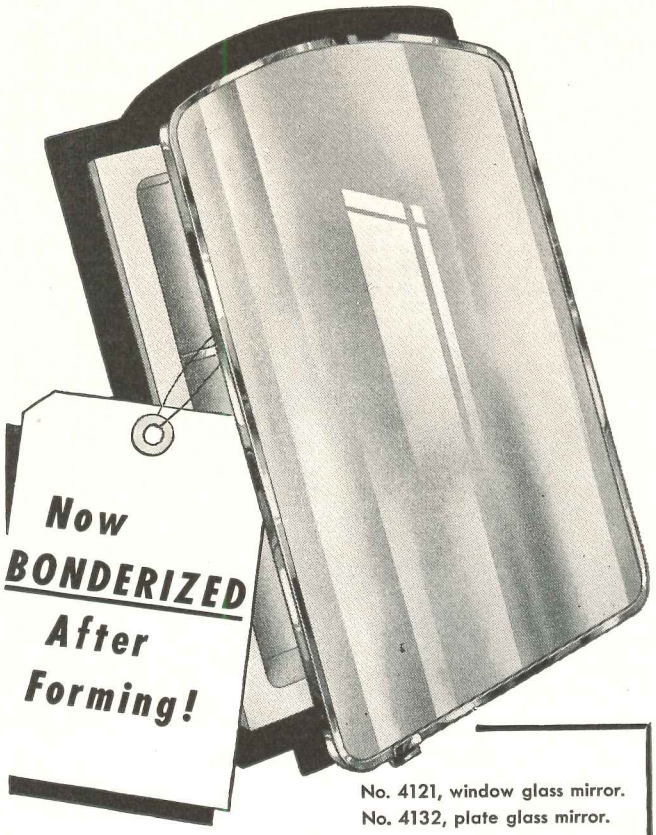


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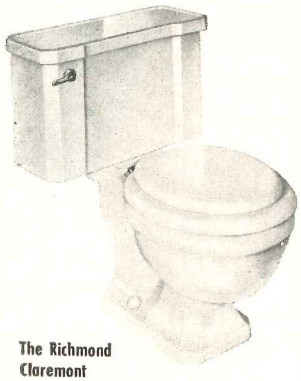

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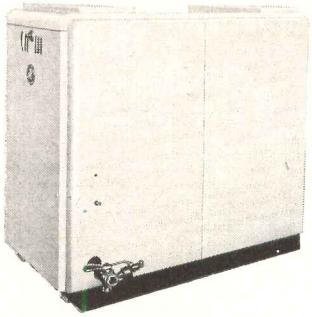

The Richmond Servilla double drainboard cabinet sink, plate 1535

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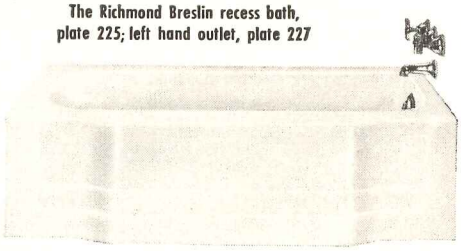

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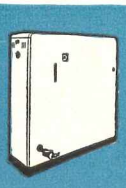

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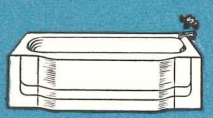

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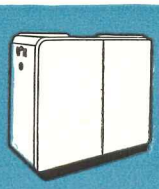

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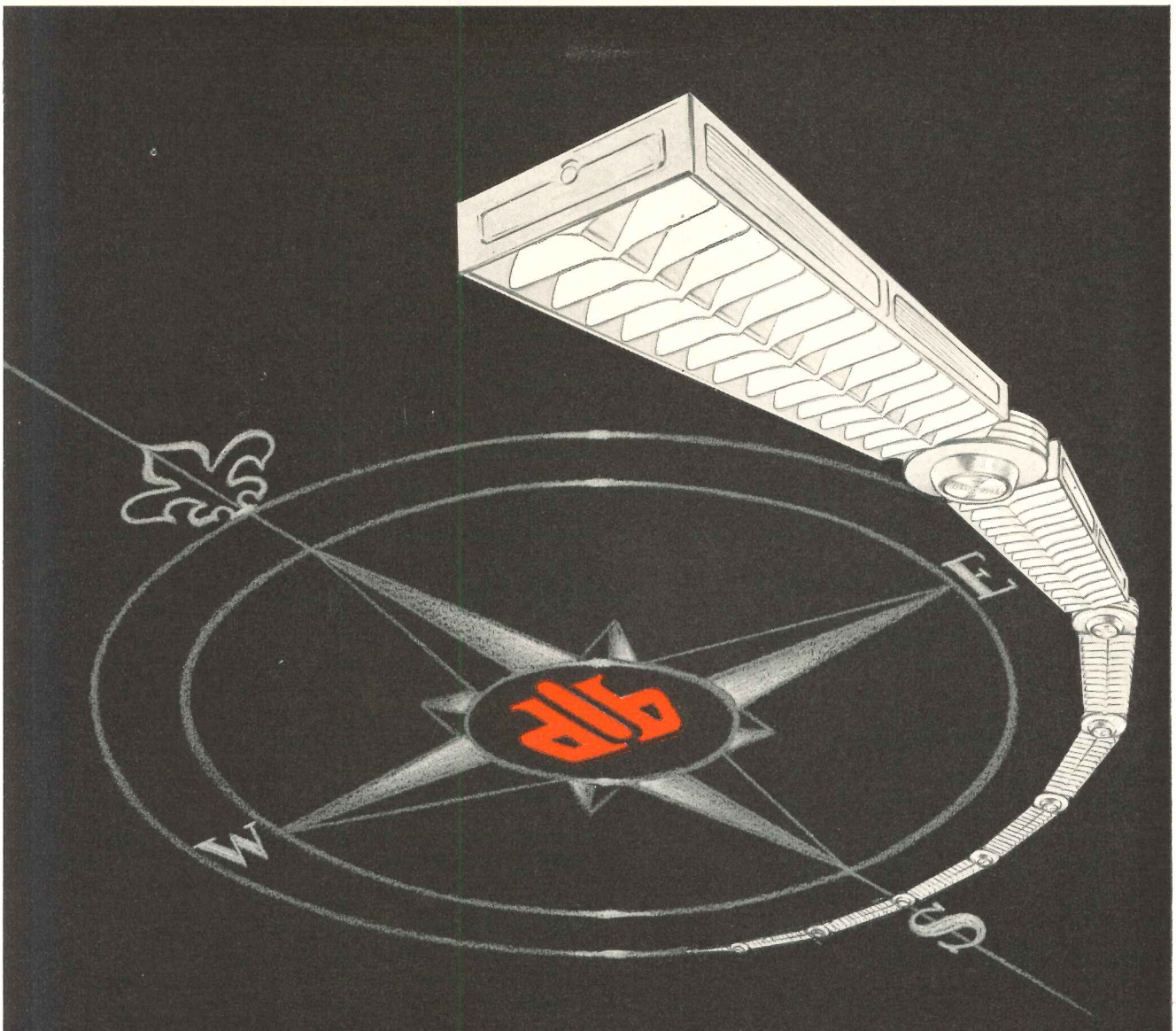


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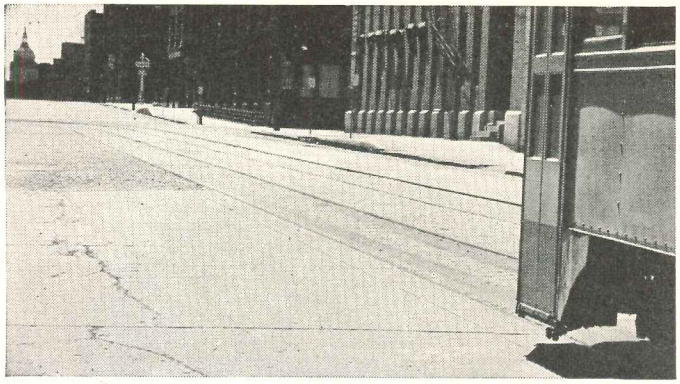

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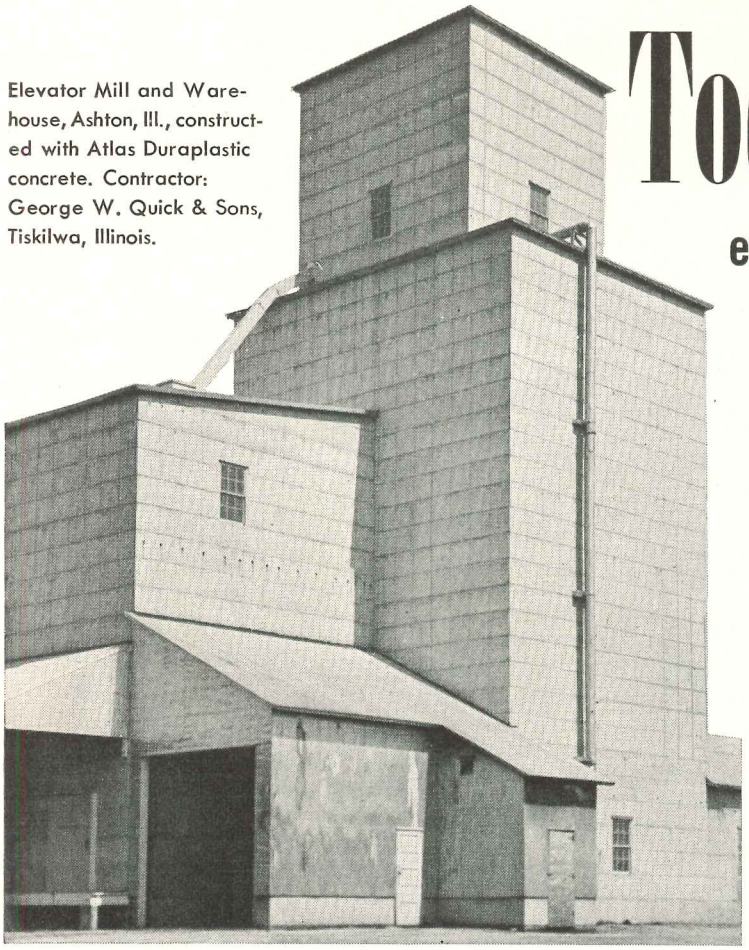

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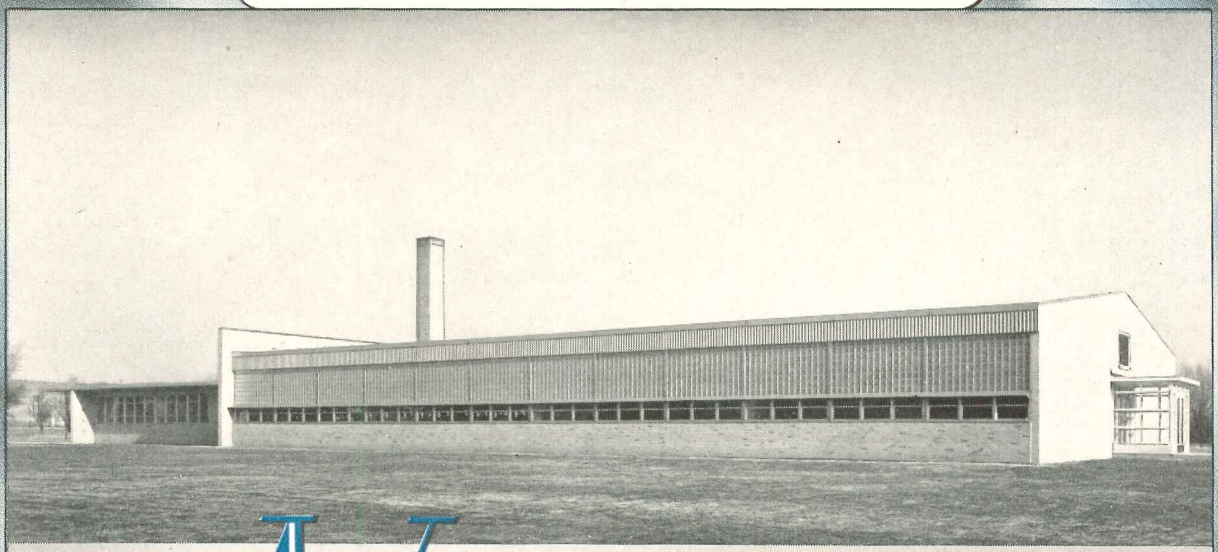

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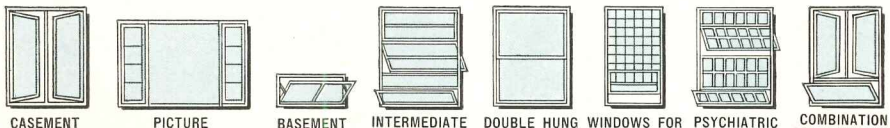


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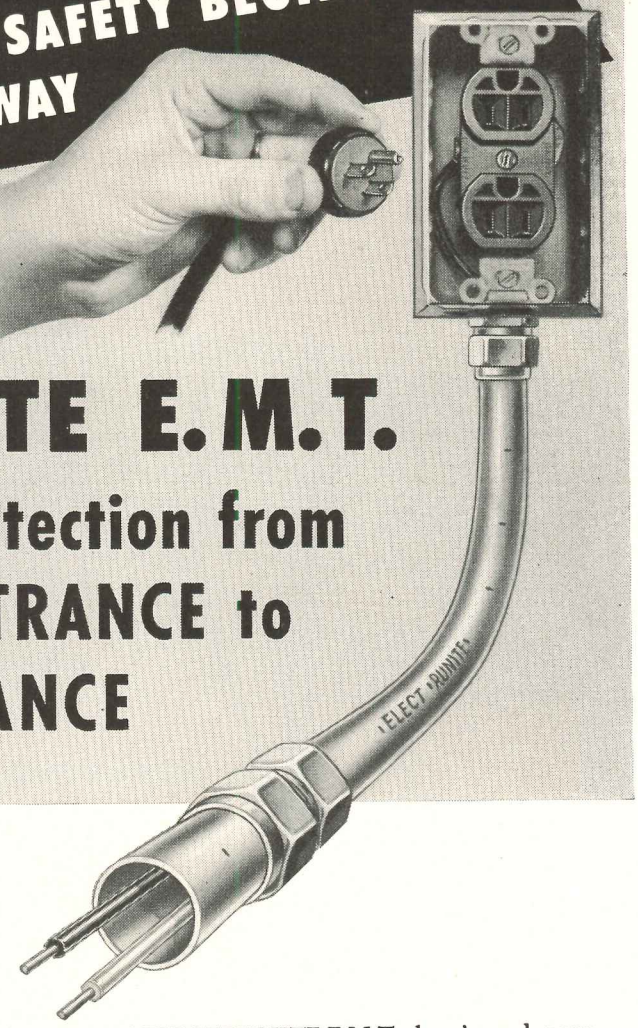


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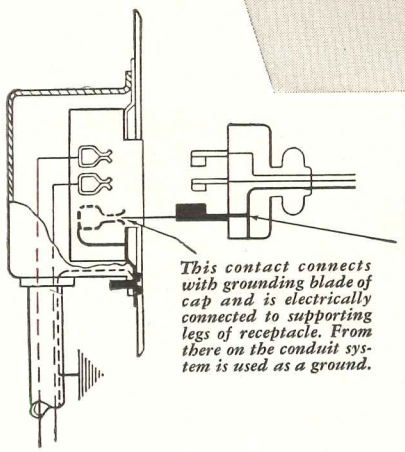

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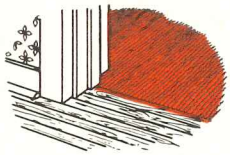

Tackless Installation at flush doorway

Avoid ugly tack marks and puckers

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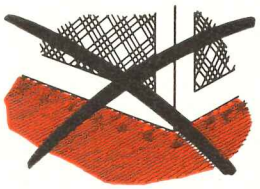

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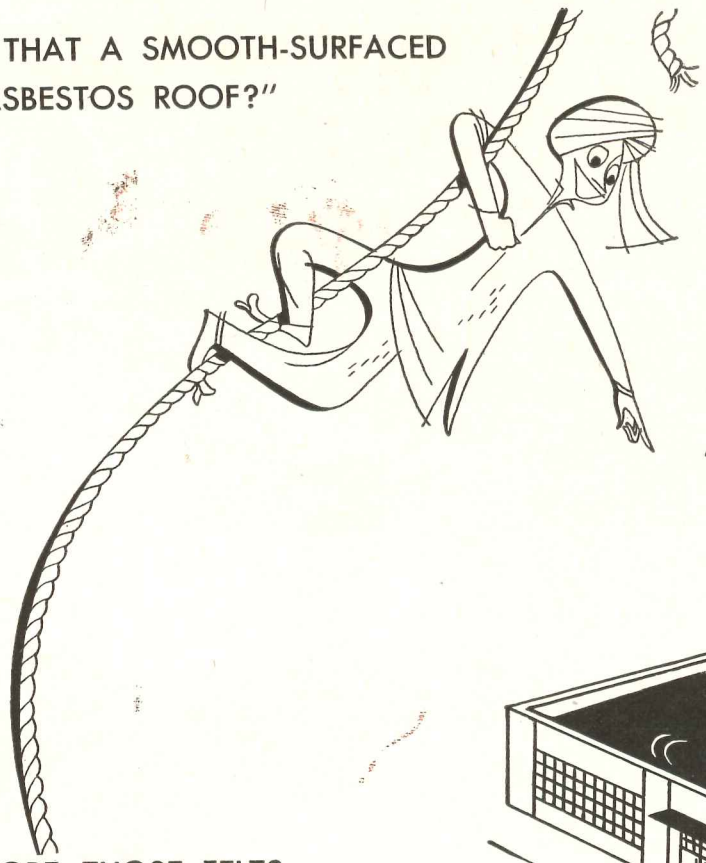

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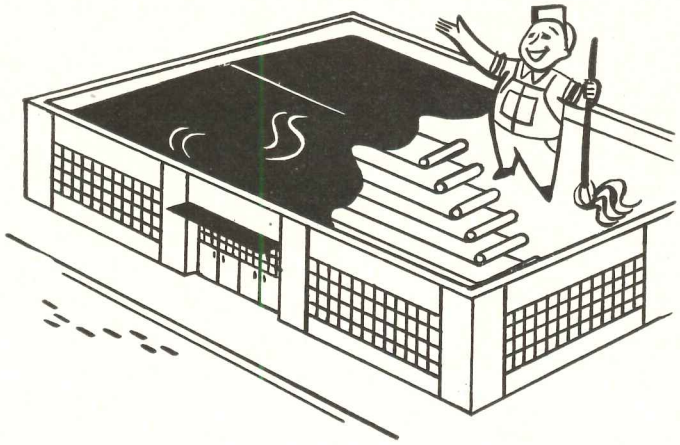

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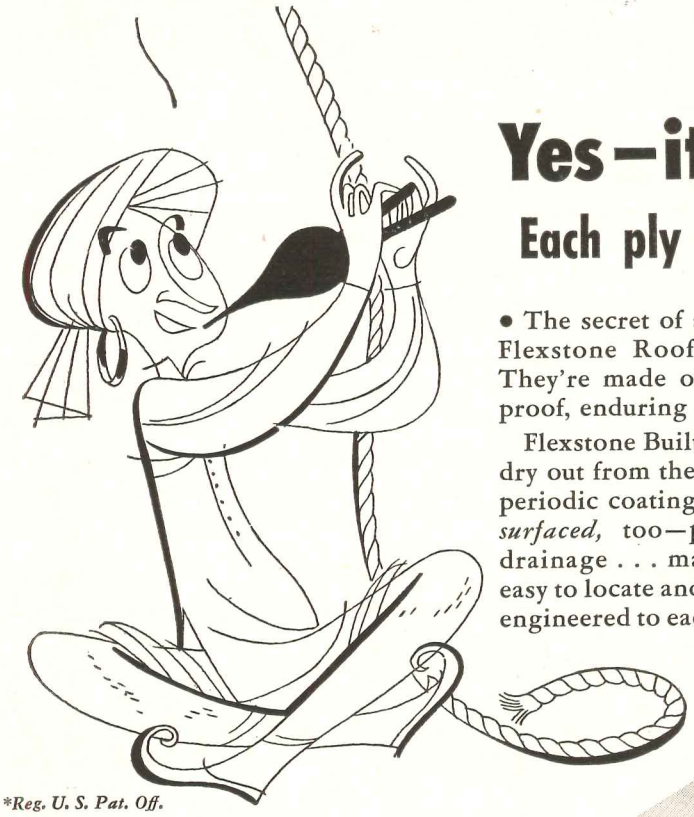

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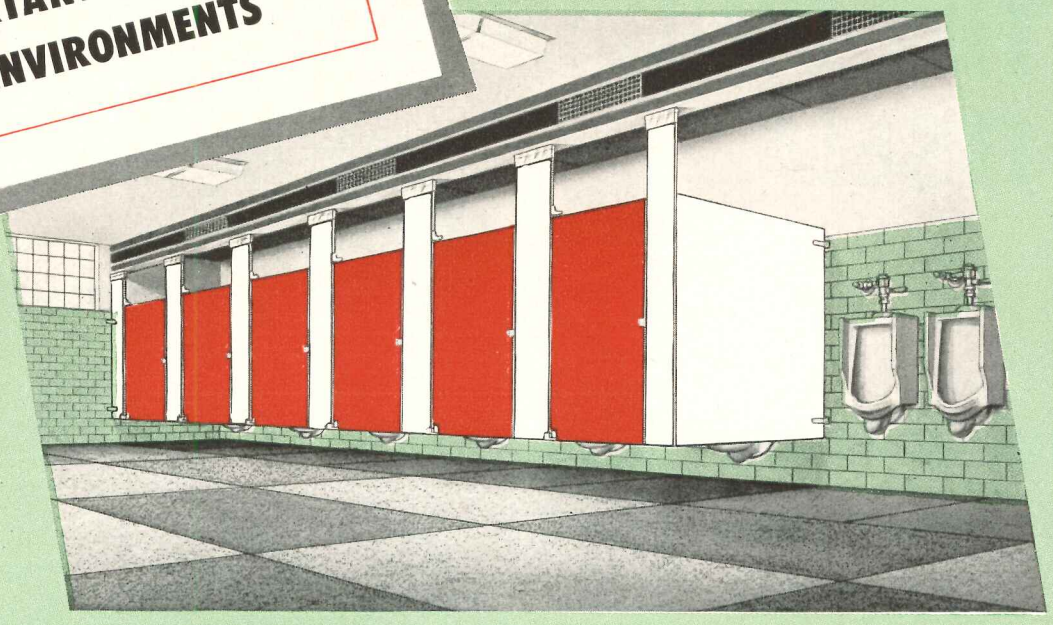

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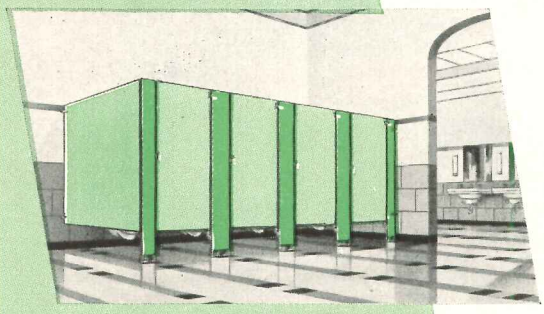

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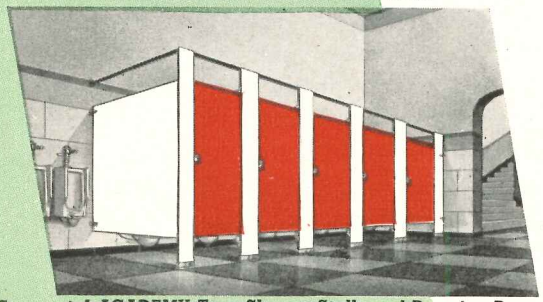

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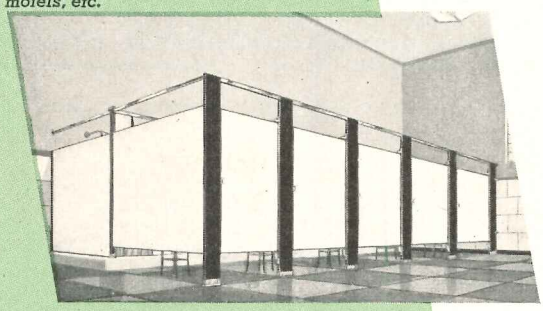

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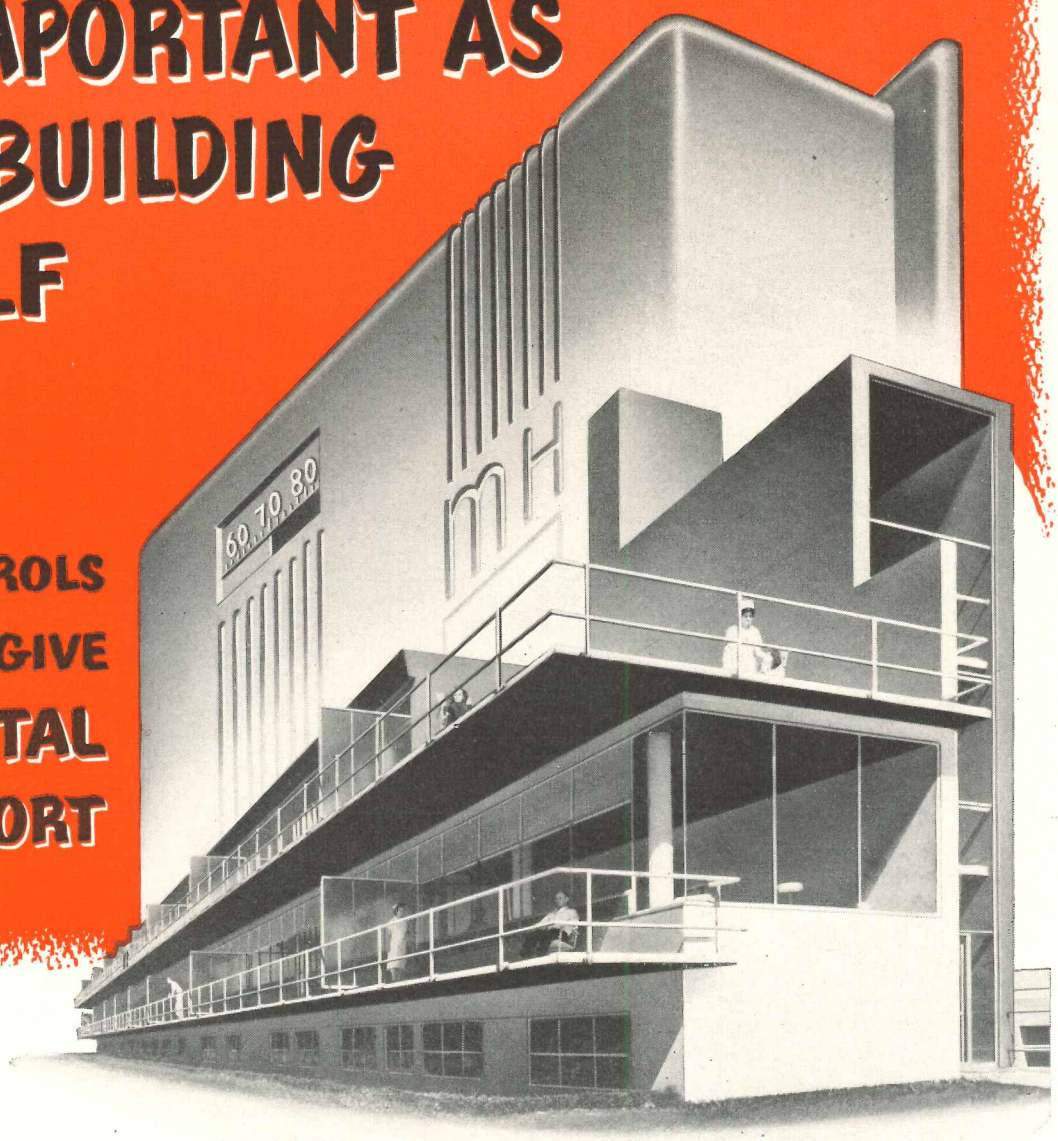


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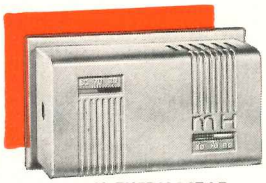

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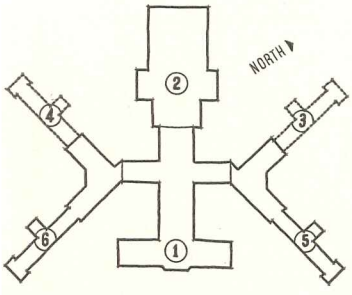


***Design:***
Paul P. Cret, Architect; and his successors, Harbeson, Hough, Livingston & Larson; and J. N. Pease & Co., Associated Architects-Engineers. Schematic lay-outs by Bureau of Yards and Docks

***General Contractors:***
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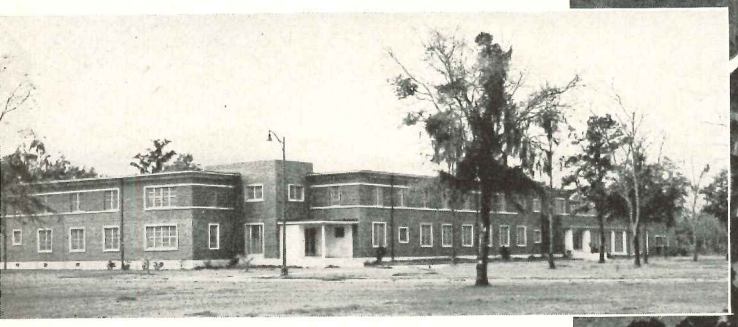
***Supervision:***
Design and construction: Bureau of Yards and Docks, Navy Dept.



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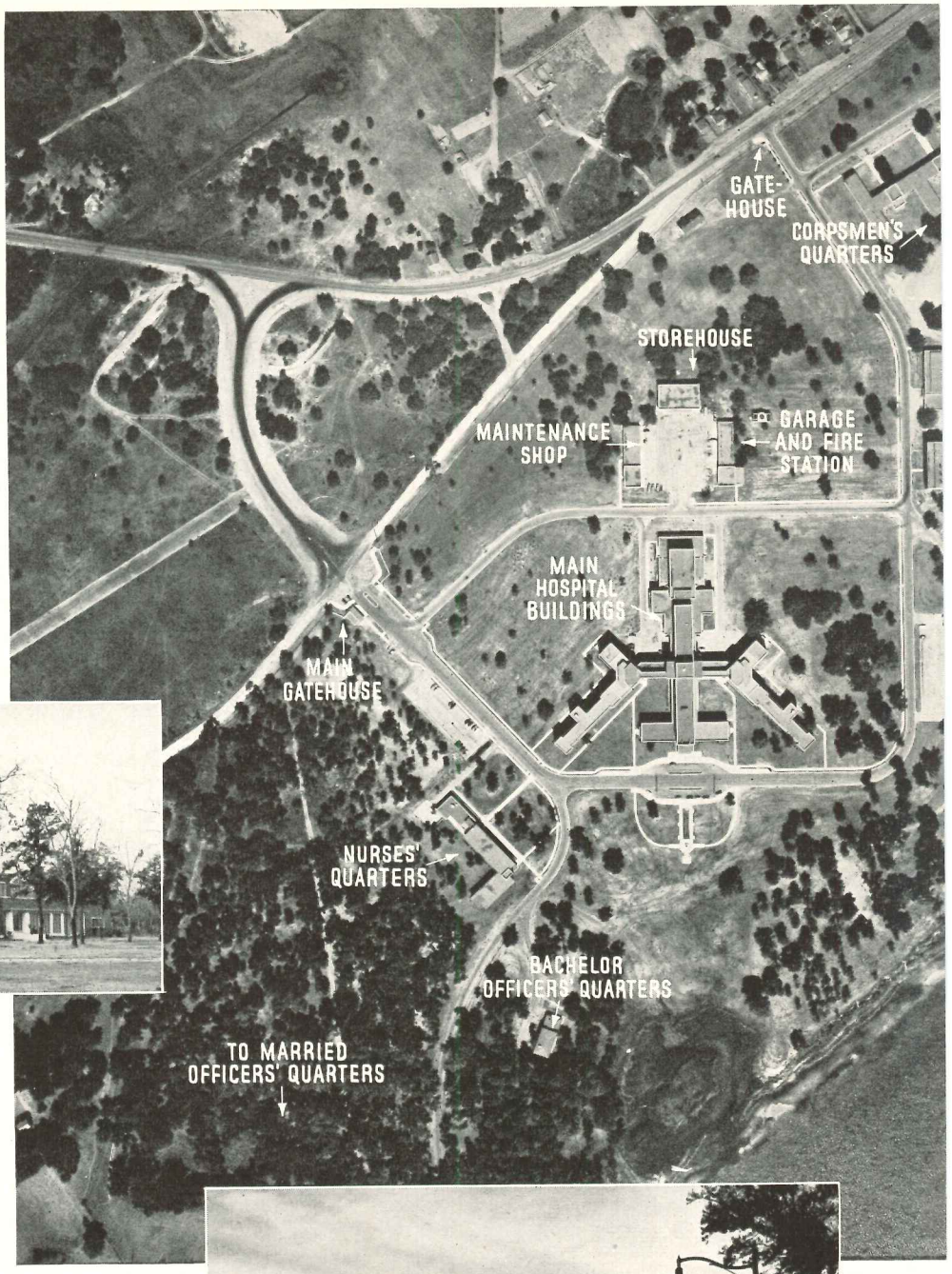

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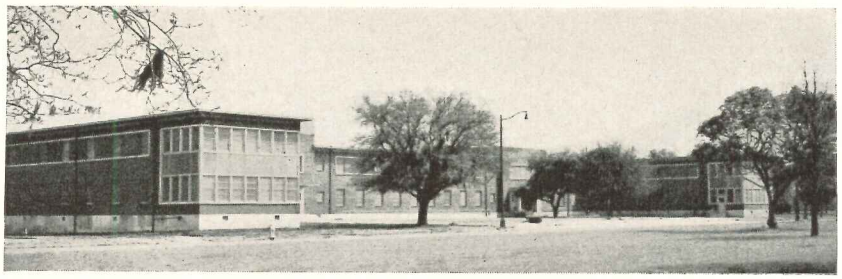
*Study of the fully developed site, a 115-acre tract of high land fronted by a bluff on the Beaufort River, reveals the extent to which a permanent naval hospital is a complete facility — almost a small naval station — including many structures in addition to the main hospital building. A few are illustrated:* ***1****, Nurses' Quarters;* ***2****, Bachelor Officers' Quarters;* ***3****, Corpsmen's Quarters;* ***4****, Heating Plant;* ***5****,* ***6****, Sewage Treatment Plant. (Photos courtesy Bureau of Yards and Docks, Navy Department)*



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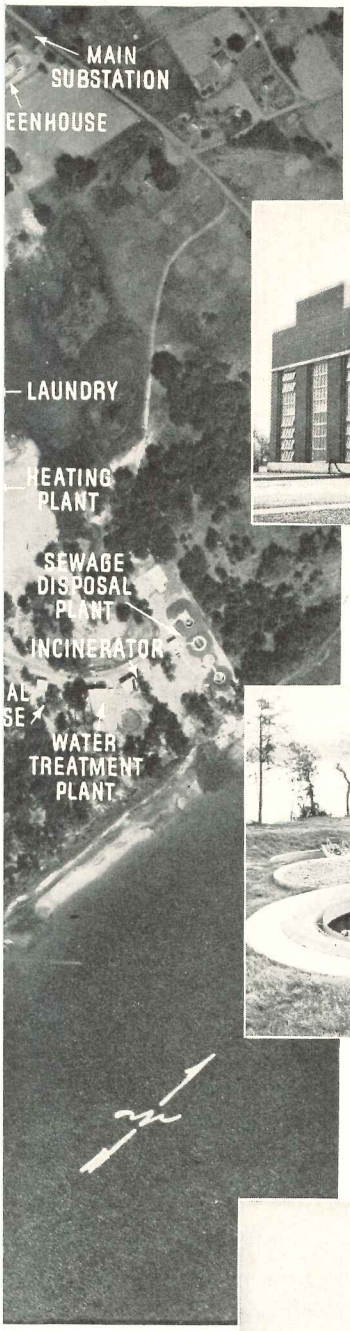


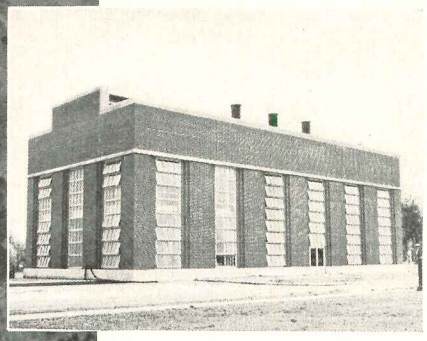

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THE NAVAL HOSPITAL, Beaufort, S. C., is part of the post-war, permanent hospital construction program of the U. S. Navy. It replaces an outmoded hospital at the Marine Corps Depot, Parris Island, two and one-half miles away — an agglomeration of "temporary" buildings, which had been in use many years, on an inappropriate site.

The new steel, concrete, and masonry hospital, commissioned April 29, 1949, has a present capacity of 300 beds on a 500-bed chassis, so to speak (administration, treatment, subsistence, recreation and welfare facilities); it is designed for future expansion by adding ward wing units to complete the double-Y plan of the main building group.

The original design contract was awarded by the Navy's Bureau of Yards and Docks to Paul P. Cret and J. N. Pease & Co., Architects-Engineers. In September, 1945, Mr. Cret died; this was shortly after the first design studies had been started. The work was continued by Harbeson, Hough, Livingston & Larson, and J. N. Pease & Co., Associated Architects-Engineers.

It was recognized from the start that a modern, permanent naval hospital differs in many important respects from a civilian facility of comparable capacity. For one thing, the naval plant of this type must be as complete an establishment as possible, dependent very little on civilian resources for light, heat, power, sewage disposal, medical services and personnel, etc. For another — and this is perhaps even more important — patients cannot normally be discharged as soon as they are in private hospitals. The greater part of the convalescent period must be spent here; patients are discharged only when fit for active duty or when convalescence has progressed enough for them to return to full normal civilian life.

Such a program makes obvious demands in respect to convalescent therapy (occupational, welfare and other rehabilitation procedures, etc.); and to the requisite completeness of the hospital facilities (acute general, surgical, isolation, outpatients, etc.; even maternity for the benefit of married Navy personnel). In support of its scheme for design of the actual hospital buildings in this permanent facility, the Navy cites both the fact that this is a military establishment, and that in addition to customary hospital facilities it must provide for modern medico-psychological practice in aiding convalescence. Since the convalescent period is relatively long, the Navy concept appears sound for a military establishment. These fundamental differences from civilian practice are explained in detail on the following pages.

FIRST FLOOR, MAIN STRUCTURE

1. Doctor's Office
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73. Serology
74. Corridor
75. Media & Glass Wash
76. Records & Specimen Collection
77. Urinalysis & Bacteriology
78. Hematology
79. Pathology
80. Laboratory Medical Officer
81. Helio Therapy
82. Infrared
83. Ultraviolet
84. Diathermy
85. Leg Bath
86. Arm Bath
87. Sitz Bath
88. Needle Shower
89. Light Bath
90. Dental X-Ray & Examination
91. Eye Chair
92. Transillumination & Refraction
93. Office Records
94. Senior Dentist & Records
95. Dental Operating
96. Prosthetic Operating
97. Prosthetic Laboratory
98. Medical Library
99. Library Work Room
100. Junior O.O.D.
101. Staff Room
102. Senior O.O.D.
103. Legal Officer
104. Board Room
105. Survey Room
106. PBX Room
107. Radio Room
108. Enlisted On Watch
109. C.P.O. On Watch
110. Visitor's Room
111. Chaplain
112. Interview
113. Periodicals
114. Covered Screened Dock
115. Commissary Office
116. Butcher Shop
117. Garbage Refrigerator
118. Frozen Foods
119. Meat Refrigerator
120. Vegetable Refrigerator
121. Cook's Refrigerator
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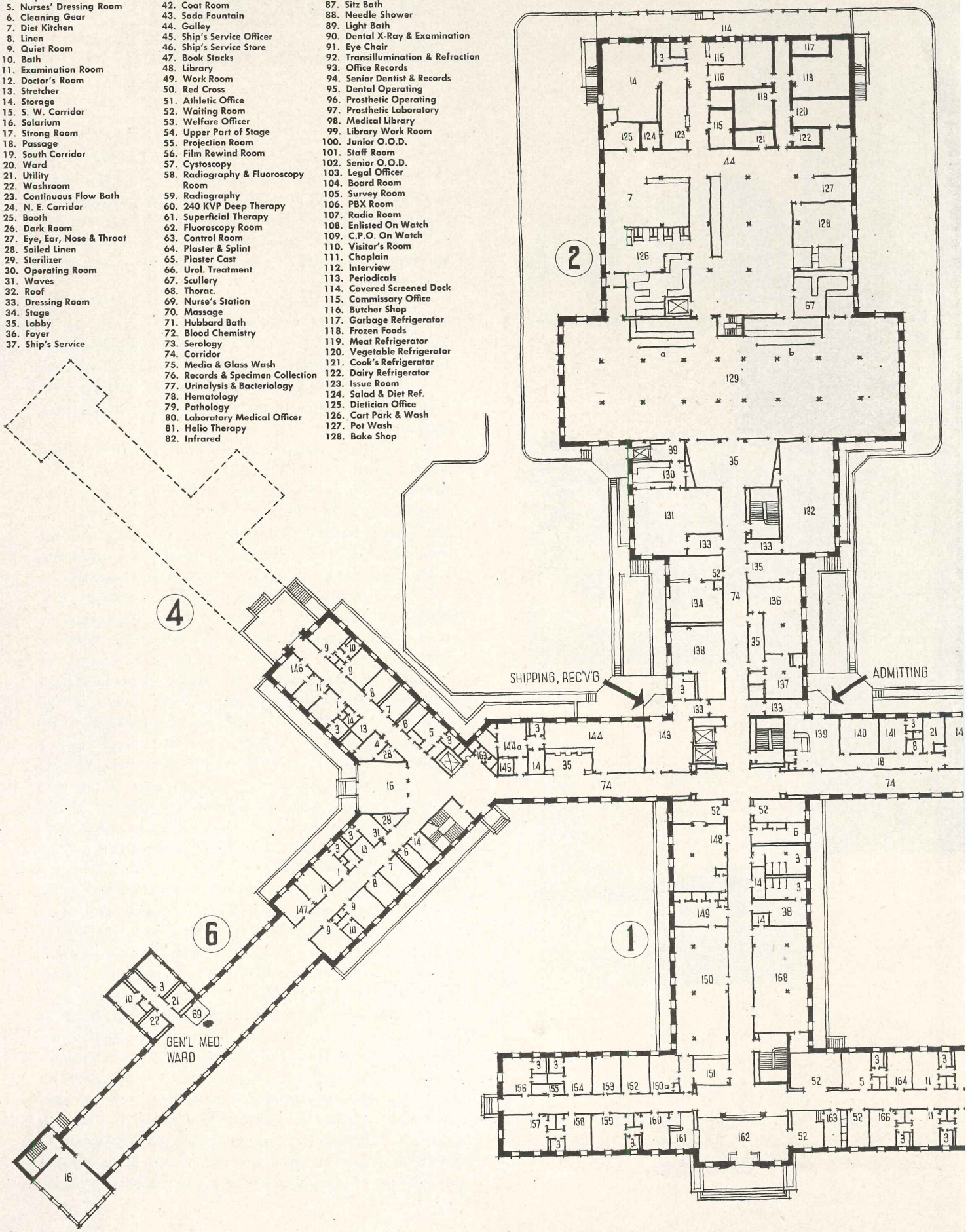
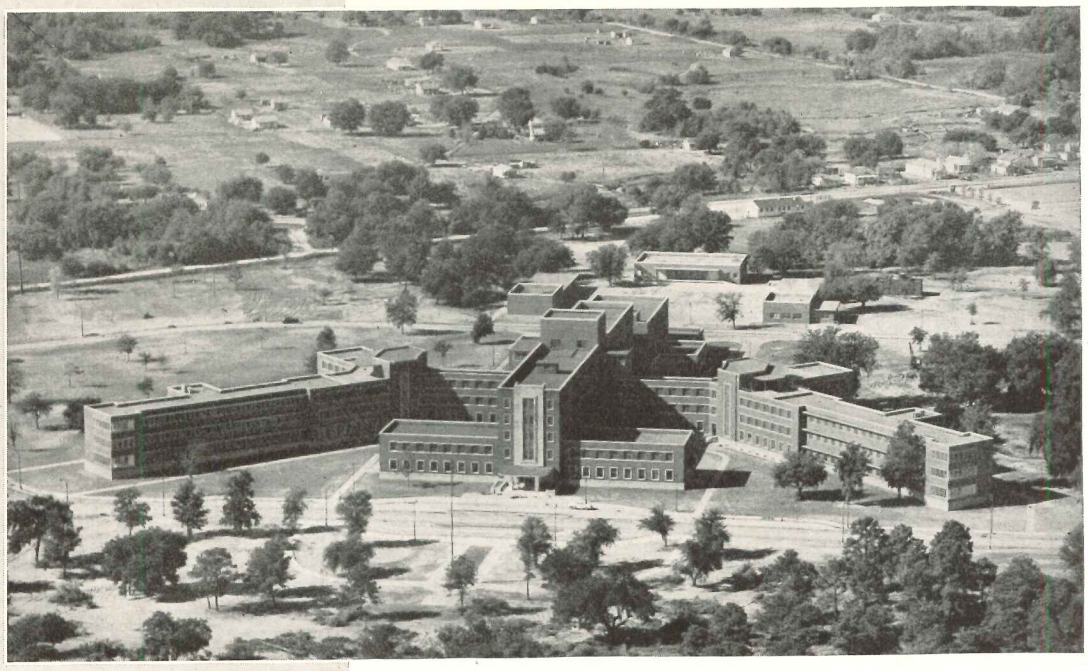
124. Salad & Diet Ref.
125. Dietician Office
126. Cart Park & Wash
127. Pot Wash
128. Bake Shop





129. Mess Hall
129a. Staff
129b. Patients
130. Pantry
131. C.P.O. Mess
132. Officer's Mess
133. Vestibule
134. Barber Shop
135. Hospital Corps Detail Office
136. Disbursing
137. Paymaster
138. Property Receiving Office
139. Admitting
140. Accident Treatment
141. Women's Ward
142. Men's Ward
143. Shipment Receiving Lobby
144. Post Office
144a. Officer In Charge
145. Vault
146. Salversan
147. Basal Metabolism
148. Pharmacy
149. Records
150. General Record Office
150a. Officer In Charge
151. Public Space
152. Officer Mail Room
153. Master At Arms
154. Personnel Officer
155. Stores
156. Admin. Asst.
157. Medical Officer In Charge
158. Stenographer
159. Executive Officer
160. O.D.
161. Information
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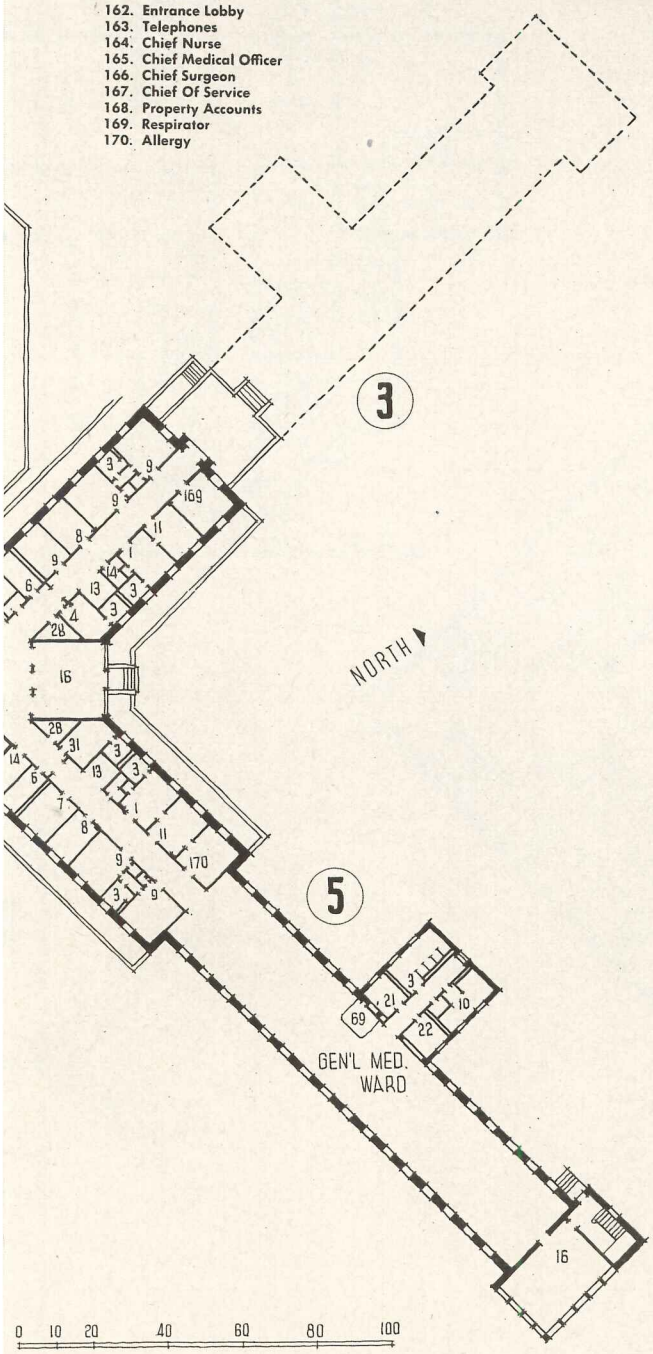


In the Naval Hospital at Beaufort, S. C., the main buildings (administration, treatment, wards, subsistence, welfare) contain 296,000 sq ft, or 3,870,200 cu ft.

The Administration and Treatment Building (1) contains the necessary administrative offices, operating rooms, laboratories, library, etc.; and patient facilities for staff officers and maternity cases. Directly behind, in Building No. 2, are the mess hall, a complete galley and, above these, recreational facilities. Buildings Nos. 3 and 4 are at present stubs to which future ward wings can be attached; all necessary building services are now in place, ready for extension when the additions are built. The stubs contain some patient rooms. Buildings Nos. 5 and 6 are wards, three floors high. Patient capacity is as follows:

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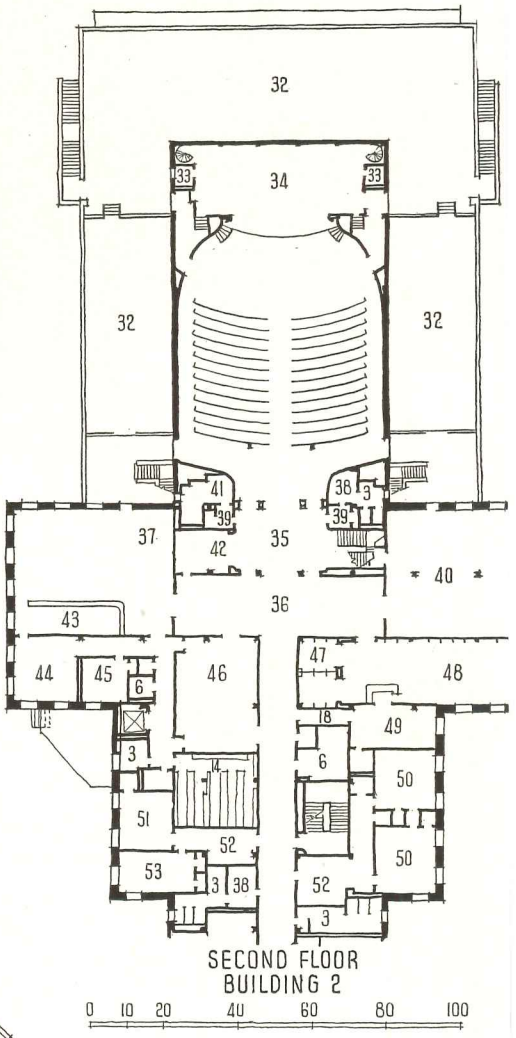
|---|---|
| Bldg No. 1 — Sick Officers Quarters | 46 |
| Maternity (dependents) | 29 |
| Bldgs Nos. 3 & 4 (stub wings, 2 Quiet Rooms per floor, 3 floors per building) | 24 |
| Bldg No. 5 — (3 floors; general medical, isolation, and surgical wards) | 96 |
| Bldg No. 6 — (3 floors; general medical, N P, and surgical wards) | 107 |
| Total Beds | 302 |

(When extended, Buildings Nos. 3 & 4 will increase capacity by 200 beds.)

It is in the use of open, multi-bed wards (without cubicle partitions), as distinct from the "Copenhagen" type of multi-bed ward of four or six cubicles, that the Navy's scheme differs from civilian practice. The Navy has found that the open, multi-bed ward provides the neatest and most orderly space for the care of the military patient; in the Navy's experience it is preferred by most patients and personnel; and in addition to being cheerful and comfortable it has proved to be both efficient to operate and economical to maintain. The location of nurses' station and toilet-utility wing, midway of the multi-bed space, contributes greatly to the attainment of these characteristics.

Surgical Ward

*Center, below, are second and third floors of Subsistence and Welfare Building No. 2, containing a 458-seat auditorium, Navy Exchange, and recreation rooms*

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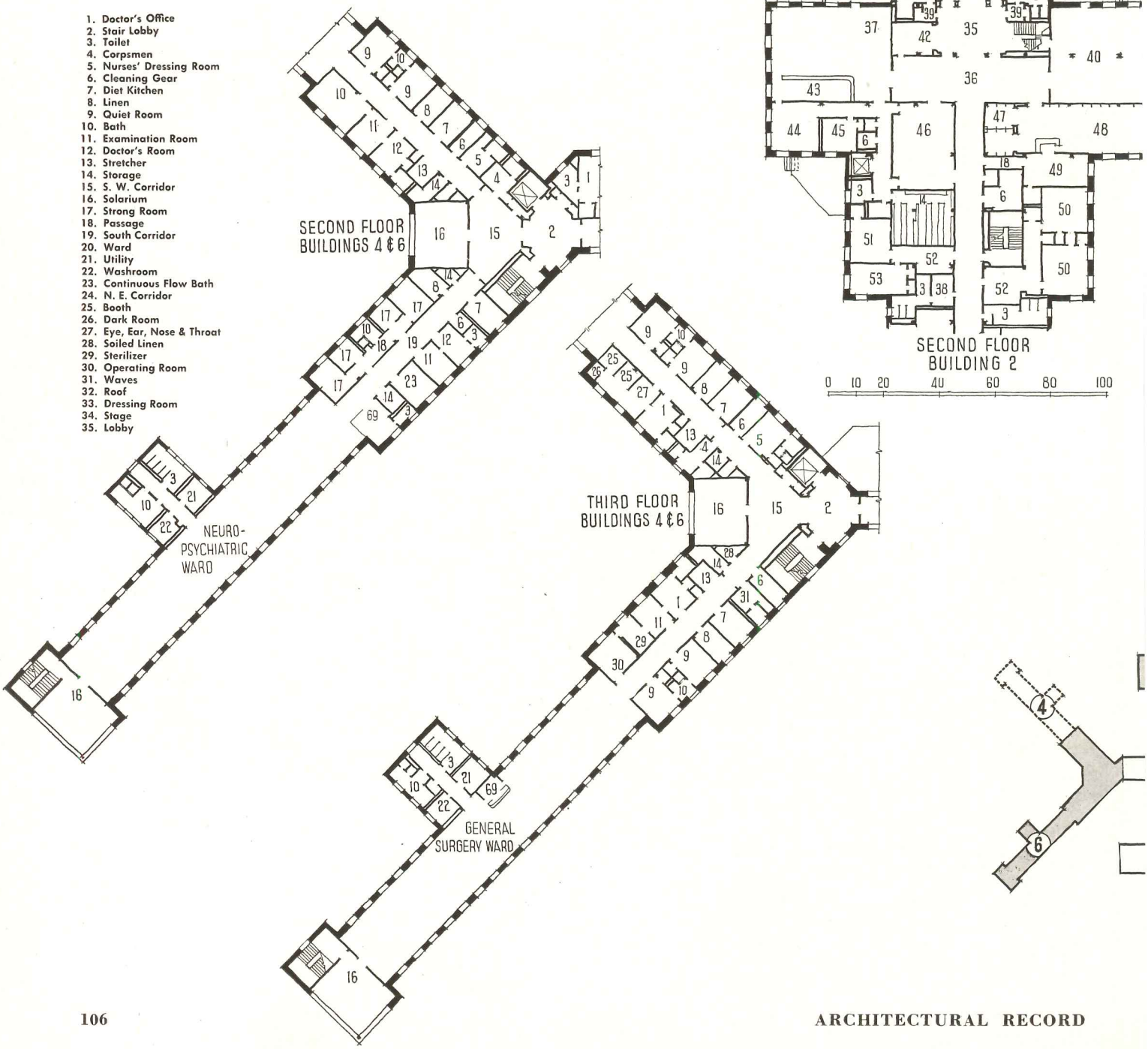

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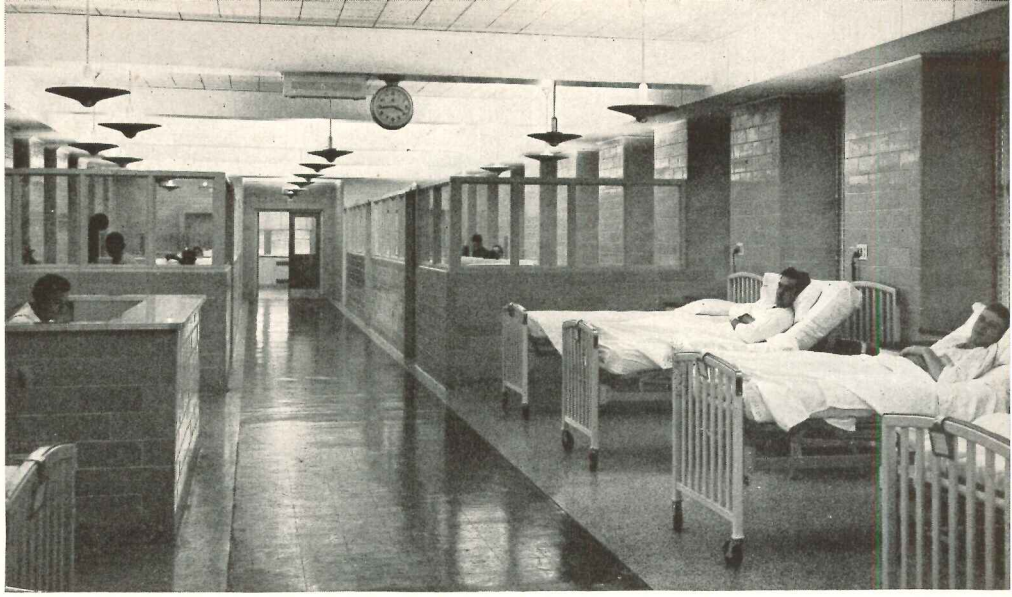

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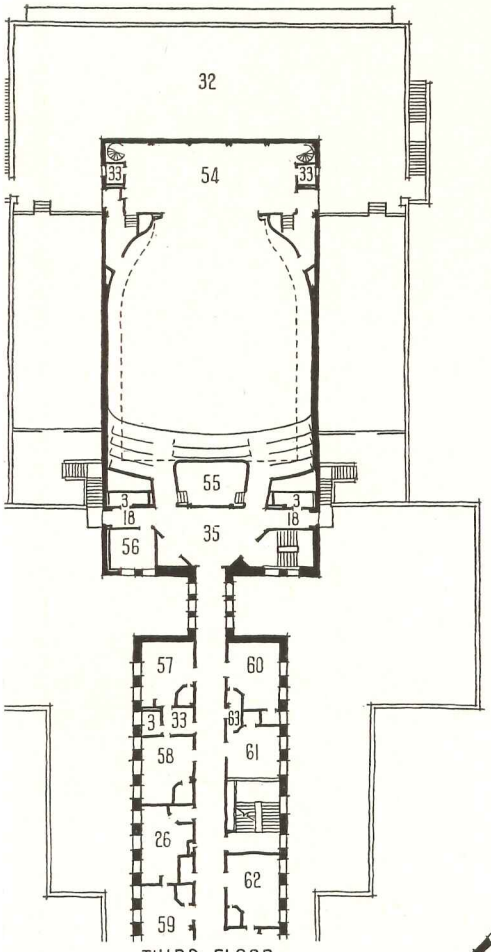


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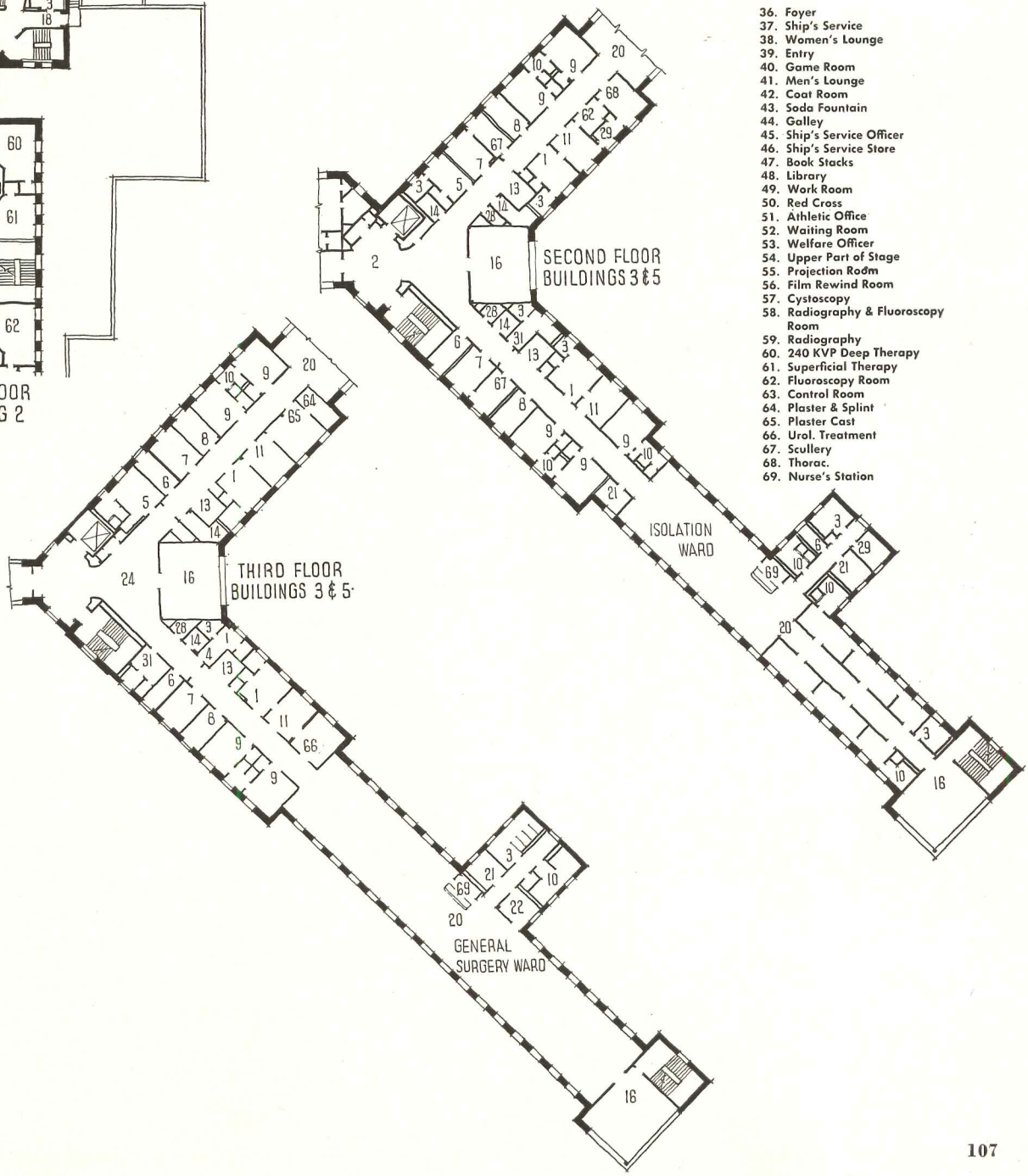


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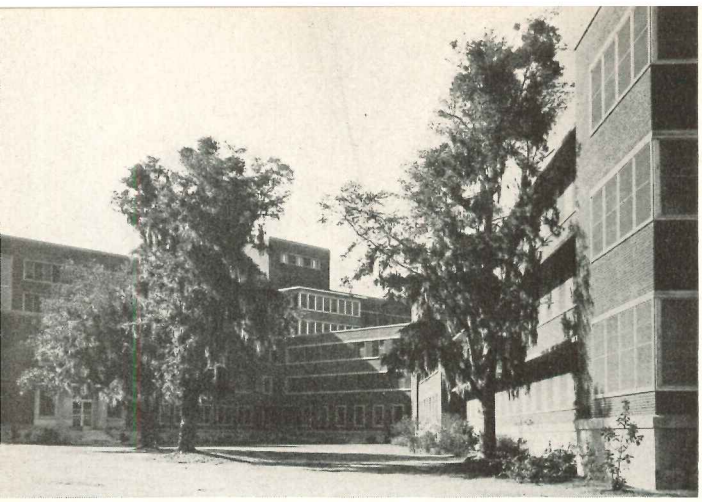

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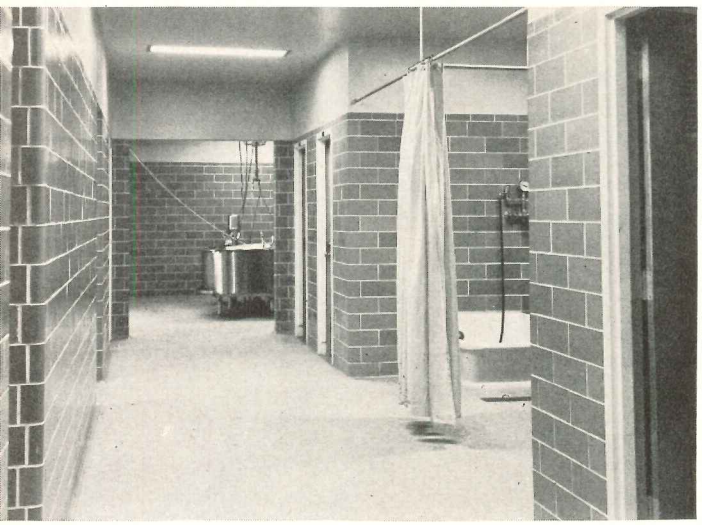
The main structure at the Naval Hospital, Beaufort, S. C., is supported by cast-in-place concrete piles on which rest the reinforced concrete basement walls. The superstructure is steel framed, with concrete floors and roof deck. Exterior walls are red face brick with limestone and greenstone trim, backed up with clay tile. Windows, principal doors and exterior metal trim are aluminum, except that steel sash are used where maximum security is required. Windows are mostly double-hung, with aluminum screens and interior Venetian blinds. Detention screens are used in N P spaces.

*Photos:* ***1,*** *exterior, Bldg. No.* ***5*** *in foreground;* ***2,*** *physiotherapy corridor;* ***3,*** *hydrotherapy;* ***4,*** *corridor, Sick Officers' Quarters*



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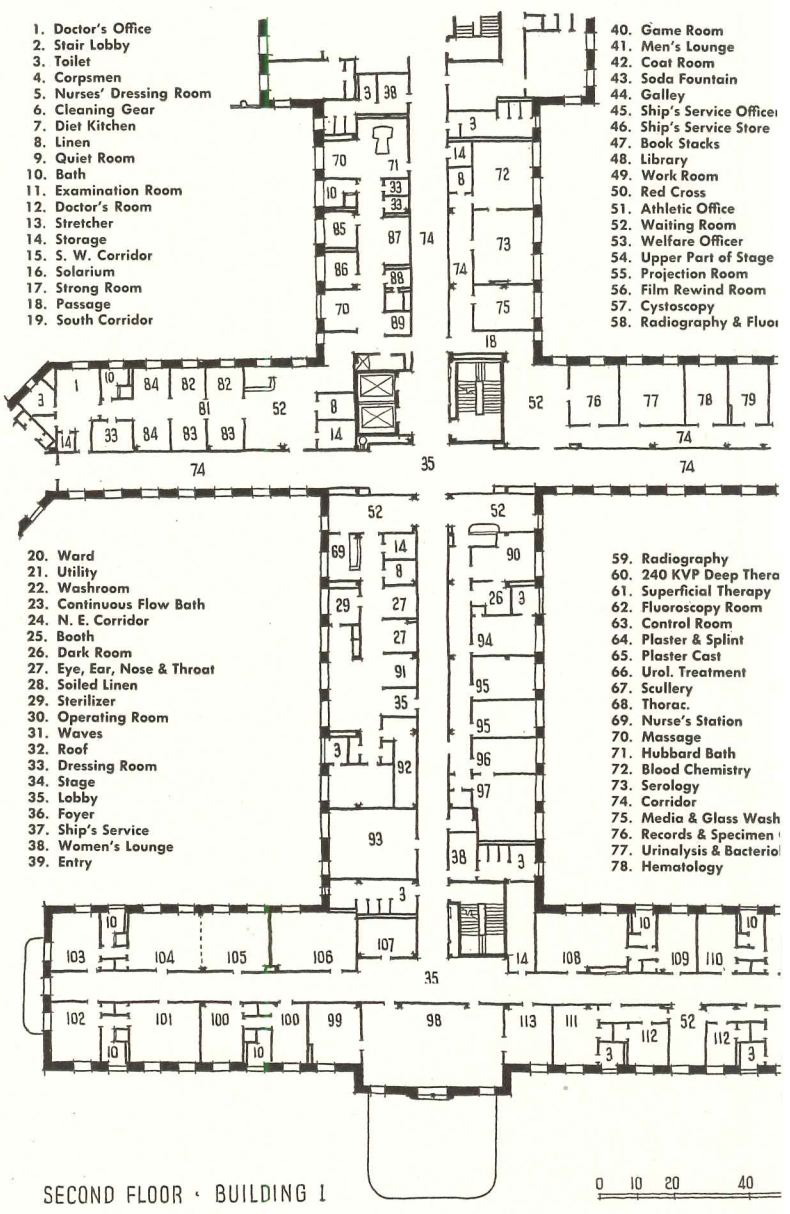


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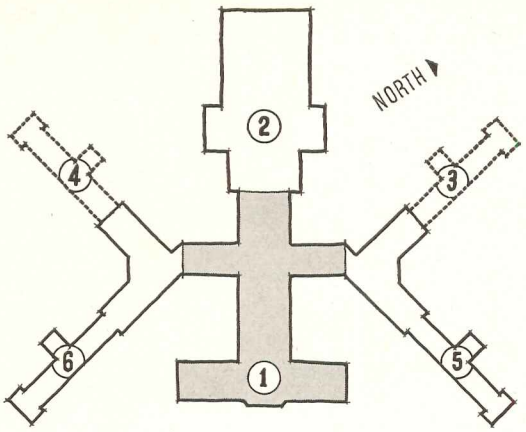
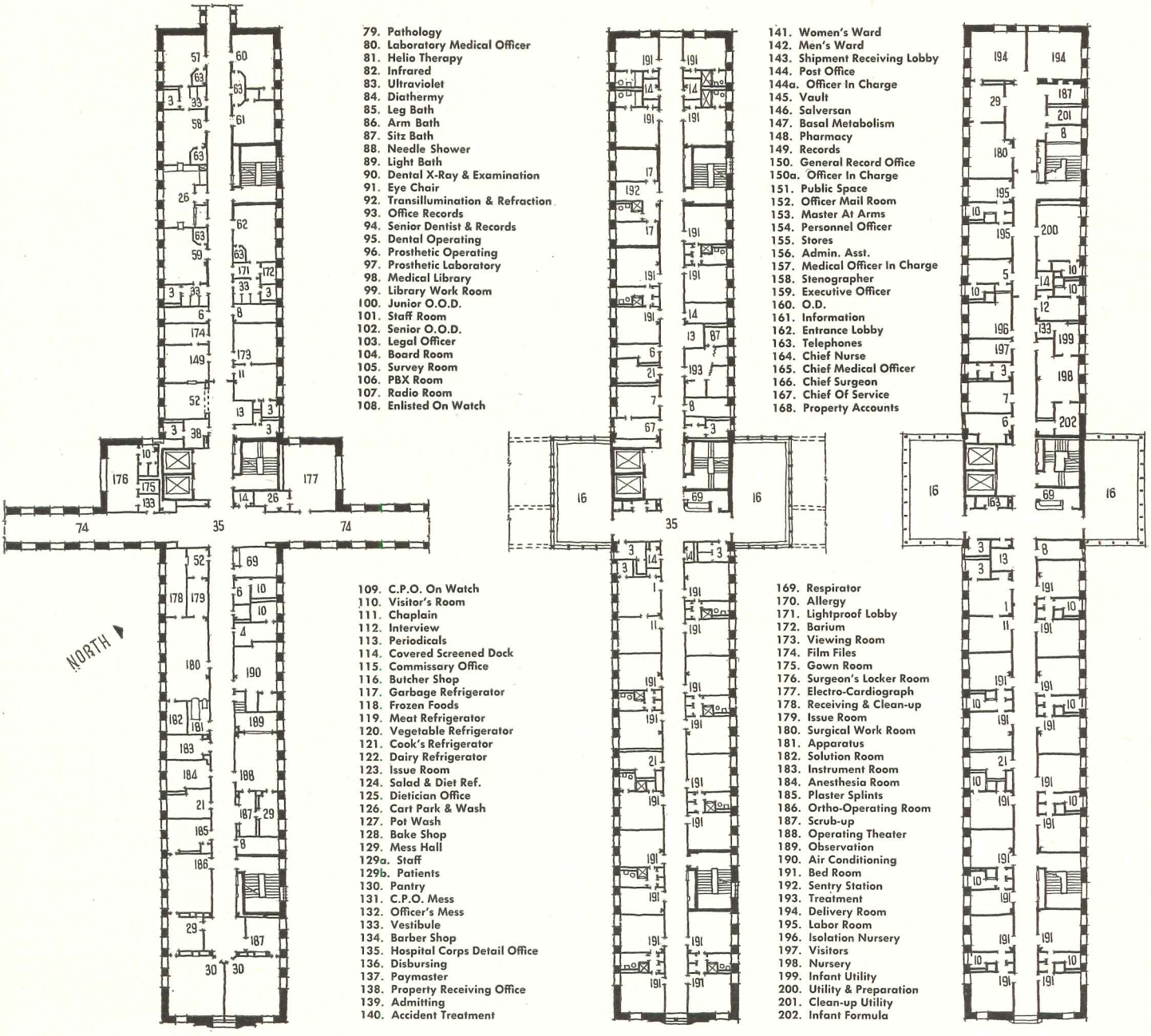
Floors are terrazzo in lobby, wards and bedrooms; asphalt tile in offices, laboratories, x-ray rooms, theater, traffic aisle in wards and corridors; ceramic tile in clinics, treatment rooms, etc.; grounded terrazzo in operating and delivery rooms; quarry tile in galley and sun decks. Walls: marble in lobby; plaster in offices, laboratories, bedrooms; birch paneling (walls or wainscots) in private offices, library, staff conference room, auditorium; glazed tile in wards; ceramic tile in clinics, etc. Most ceiling areas are acoustic tile. Extensive use of color contributes greatly to the hospital's cheerfulness and comfort.

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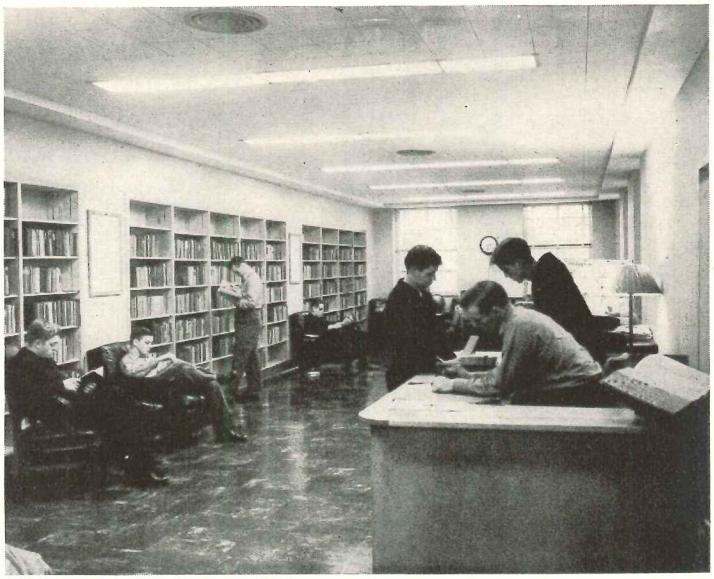
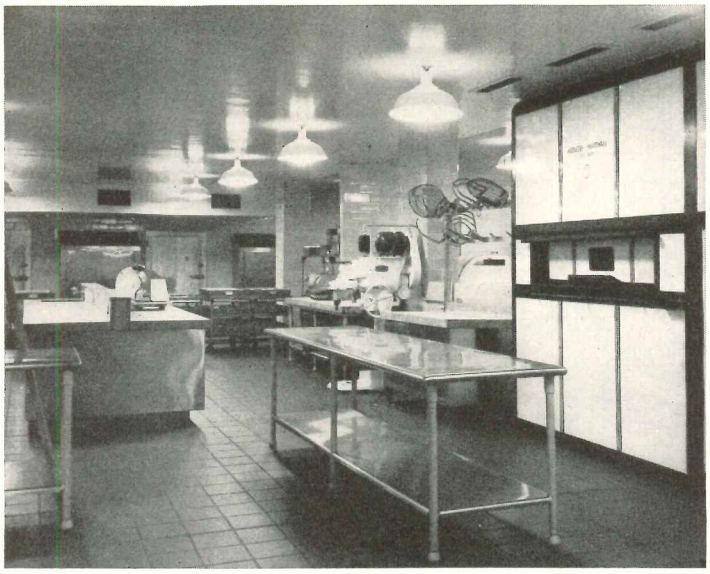
The hospital is equipped with the latest developments in modern hospital furnishings and equipment. Lighting is recessed fluorescent in corridors and major rooms, surface fluorescent in general offices, incandescent elsewhere. The doctors' paging system is visual; nurses' call system has cord at each bed, buttons in toilets, annunciators at nurses' stations. Electrical service comes from the local utility company at 44,000 volts to a government-owned substation on the property, with primary distribution in underground ducts and feeder circuits in buried lead-covered cable. The main structure is completely air conditioned, winter and summer; Operating Suite has a low-pressure unit, uses 100% outside air, electrostatically filtered. Theater, Mess Hall and Ships' Service have a conventional unit; all other spaces, a high-pressure system. There is a self-contained unit for the Butcher Shop; special refrigeration compressors for storage rooms, for ice-making and for chilling drinking water. The galley has separate mechanical ventilation. The structure has three automatic, self-leveling elevators, one manually operated elevator, and two 3500-lb hydraulic freight elevators. Galley equipment is steam, electric, or oil heated, includes mechanical dishwashers.

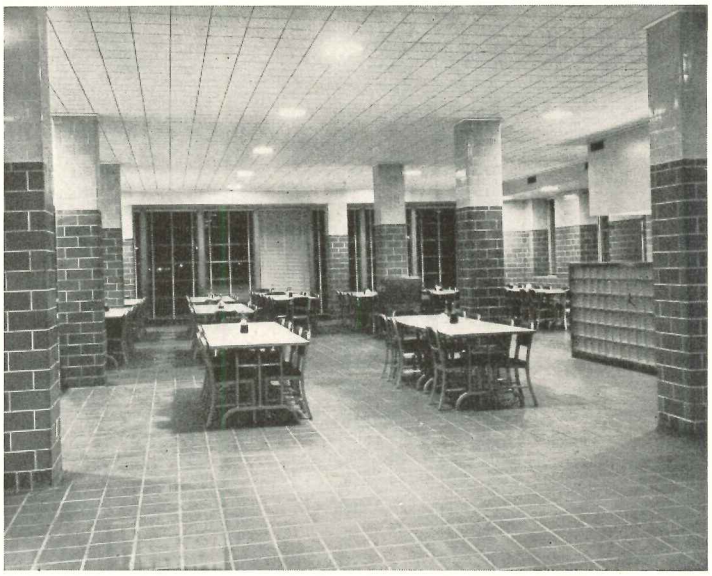
*Main lobby*

*Library (crews)*





*Galley*



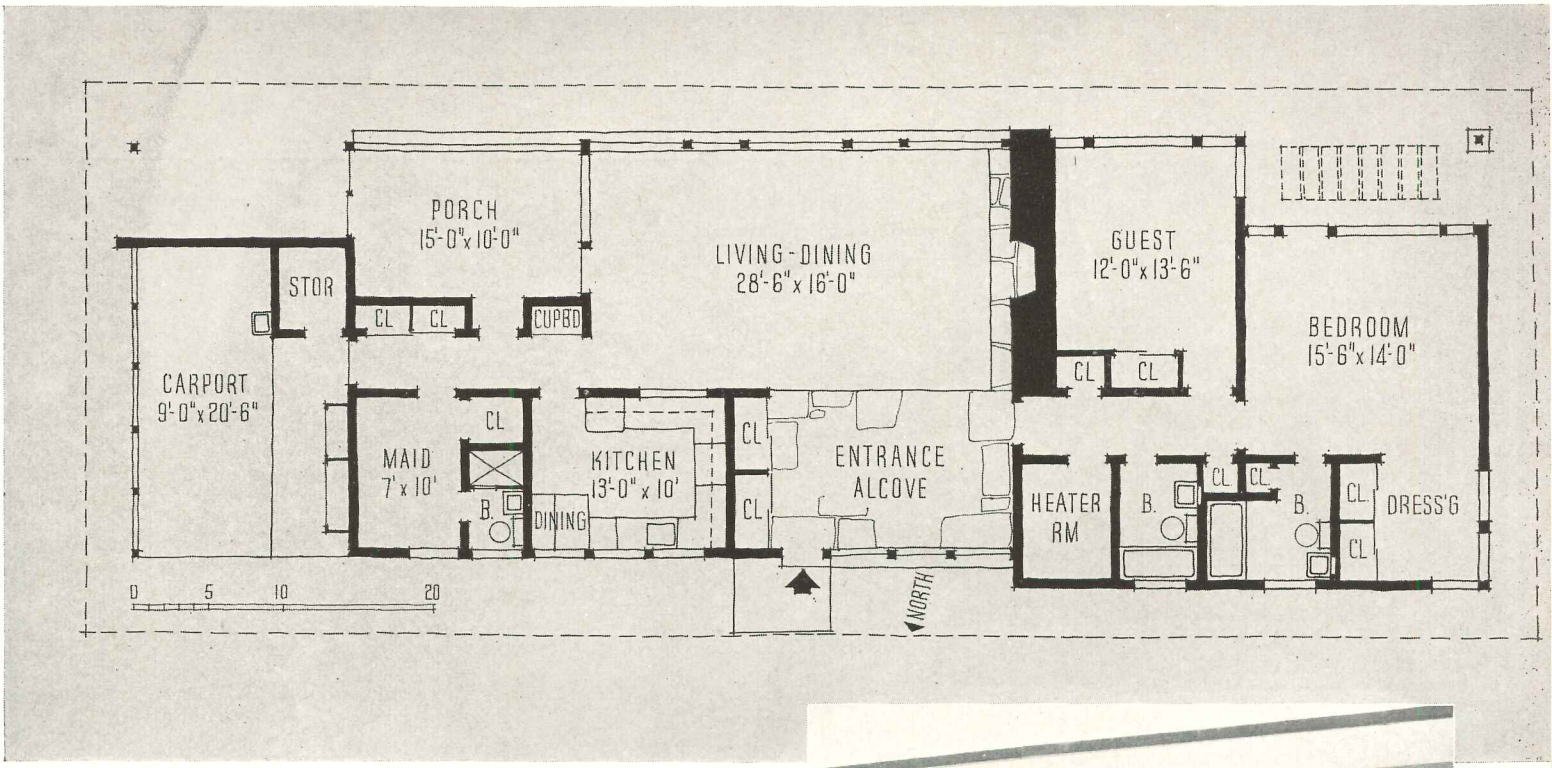
*Mess Hall*

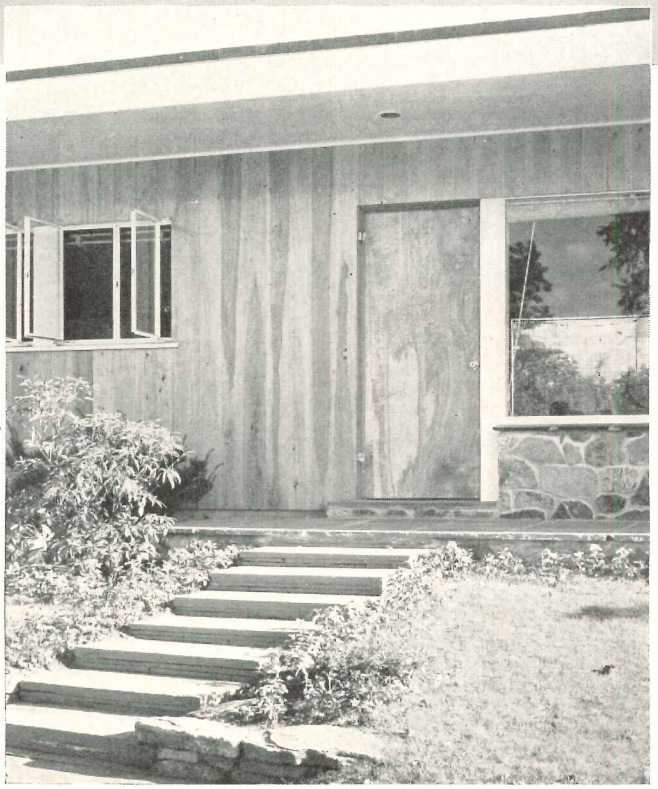
# SUMMER RESIDENCE ON LONG ISLAND SOUND

Residence of Mr. and Mrs. Max Borgenicht, Westport, Connecticut

*Cordes, Bartos & Mihnos, Architects*

*Charles Middeleer, Landscape Architect*



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THIS HOUSE, say the architects, was designed for a middle-aged couple whose children, three daughters, are married and have children of their own. Hence the two terraces (see photos, next page): the one off the master bedroom provides a quiet retreat for Mr. Borgenicht, away from the grandchildren and the activities of living room and kitchen and the east terrace.

The house is situated on the crest of a low bluff overlooking Long Island Sound. It is primarily for summer and weekend use, but is fully equipped for year-round occupancy when and if desired, with radiant

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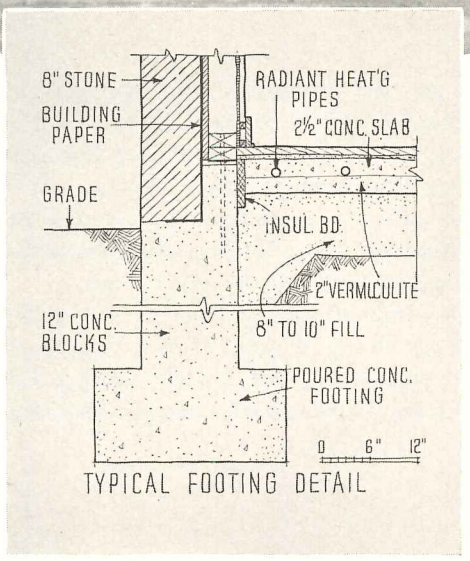
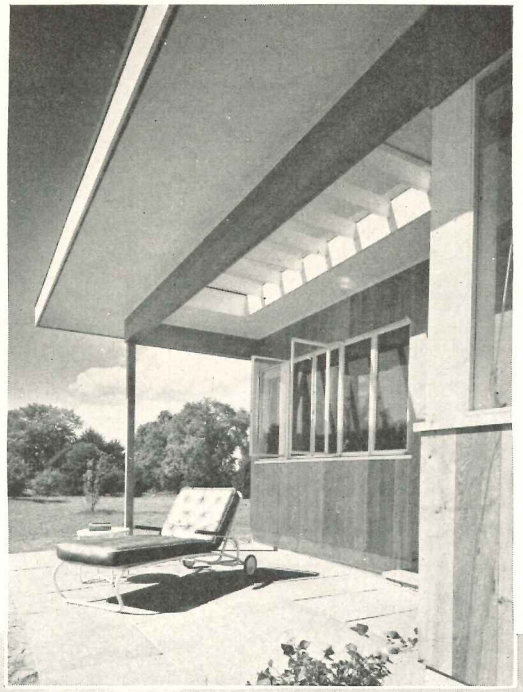
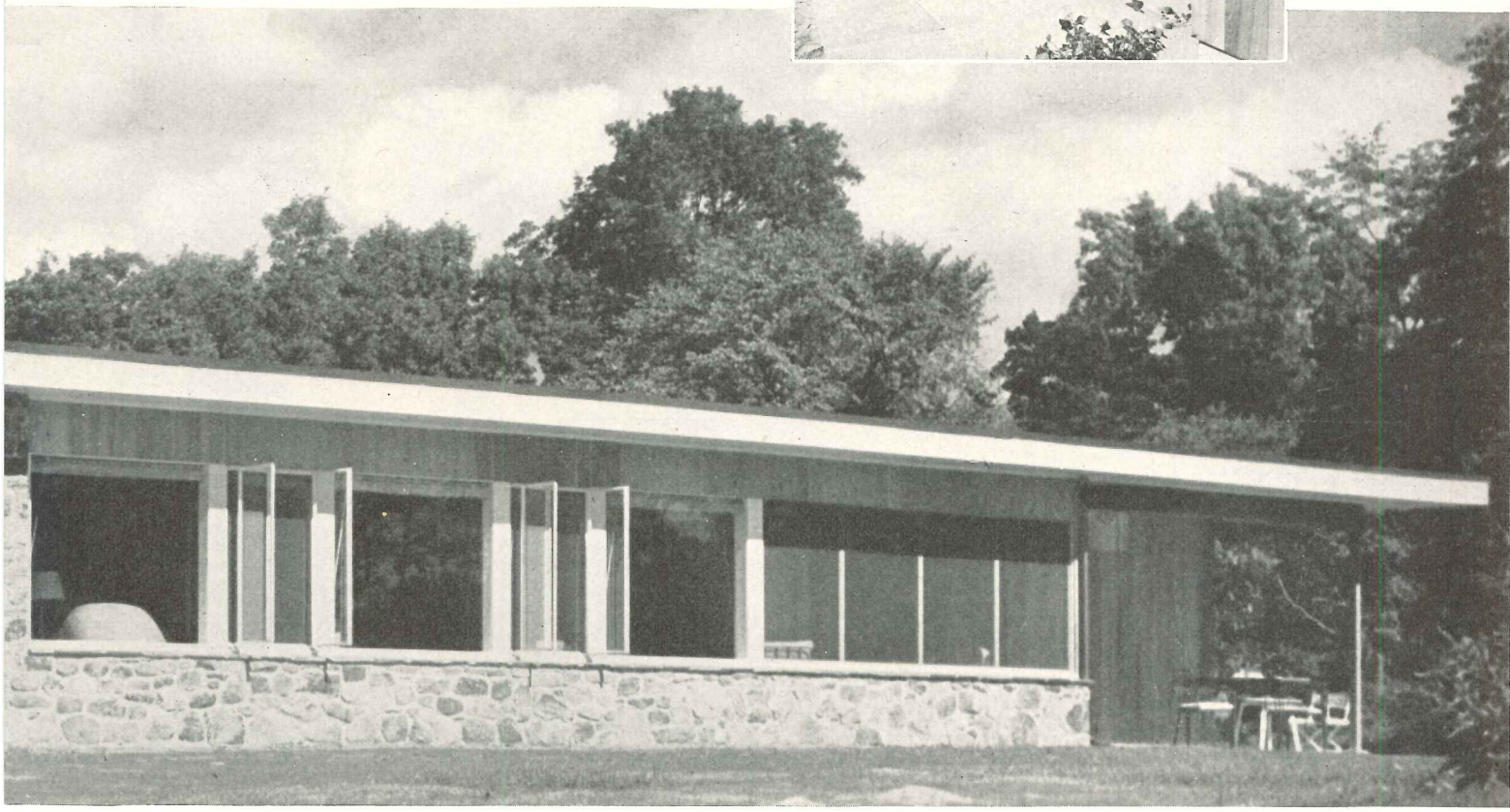



TYPICAL FOOTING DETAIL

*Floor slab is of insulating concrete with a lightweight aggregate. Waterproof board insulation prevents heat loss through edge of the slab. Framing is wood; exterior walls are natural finish cypress. Interior walls are plaster and redwood siding*





heating throughout. Owners' requirements were: as much through ventilation as possible, particularly in the master bedroom and living area; plenty of closet space; a screened porch readily accessible from the kitchen for the serving of meals; easy housekeeping and maintenance; and wide glass areas to the south to take advantage of the view over the Sound. The screened porch was so located as to permit its future conversion into a separate dining room (heating pipes are in place in the floor slab); the adjoining open terrace would be screened at the time of such conversion.

*Interiors were designed by the architects, as were the custom built furnishings such as the sofa, hanging desks, dressing table, wall and book cases. Wall case on north wall of living room (opposite and below) has sheet-plastic top*

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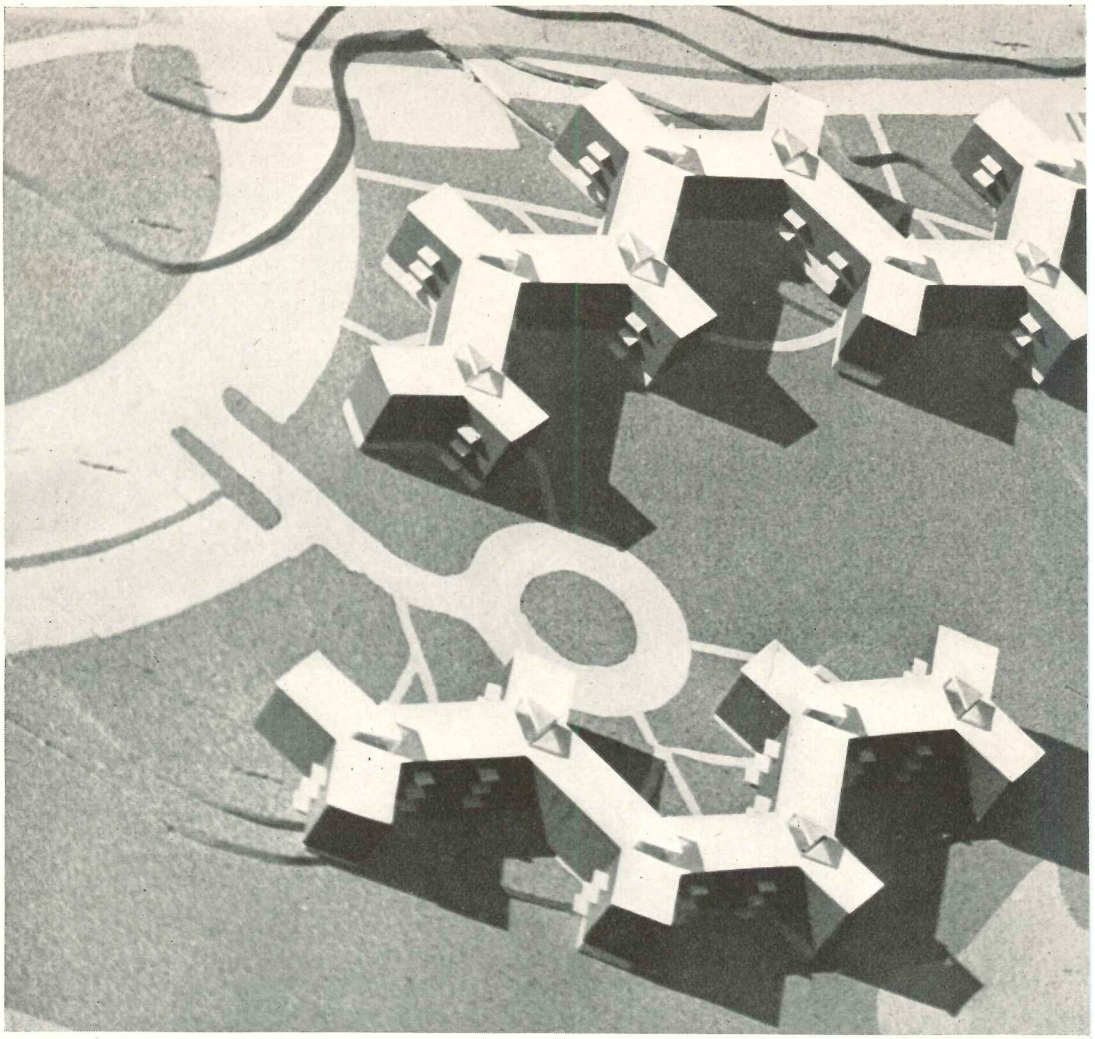
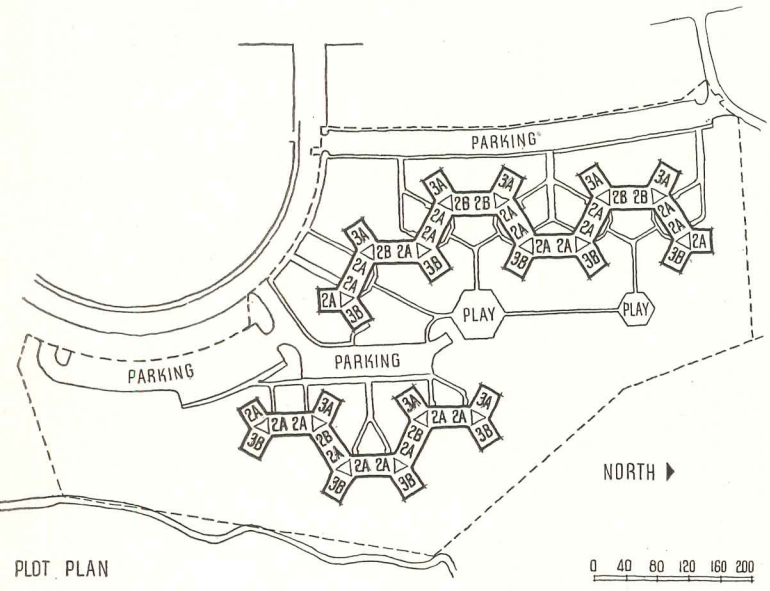


*Outdoor living is encouraged by balconies and play areas away from traffic. To simplify maintenance, landscaping will consist mainly of large trees in the courts, vines on buildings. Key letters on plan below designate number of bedrooms and entrance location in each unit*

# DESIGNED FOR PRIVACY AND CONVENIENCE

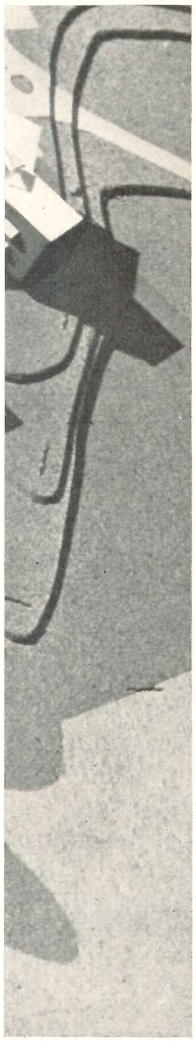
Chelsea Housing Project, Chelsea, Mass.

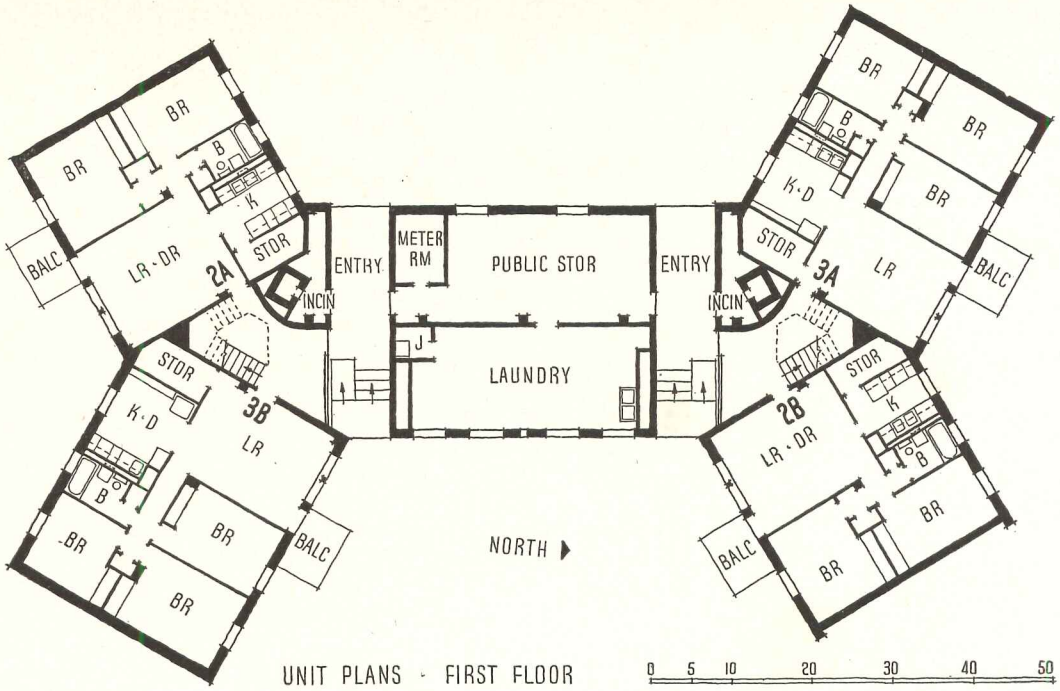
***Hugh Stubbins, Jr., Architect***



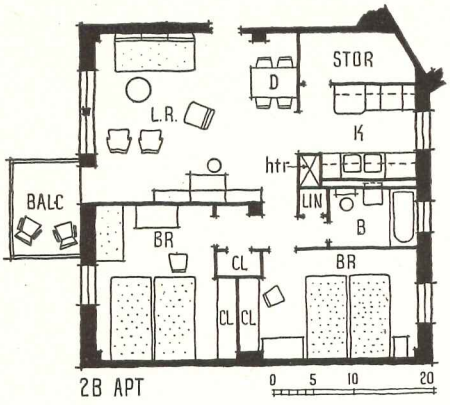

PLOT PLAN

AMENITIES for healthy, private family life are amply and economically provided in this 128 unit state-aided veterans' housing project. The interesting solution employs a triangular stair hall with radiating wings as a basic element. These join to form varied garden courts and give wide views and cross ventilation to each apartment. No unit looks directly at others. Water conditions on site led to elimination of basements, with utility rooms on ground floor. A central plant furnishes hot water to converters in each unit, allowing individual control of heating. Buildings are fireproof with masonry bearing walls, center row of columns and concrete floors. Bids on the project were about $100,000 lower than estimated costs.






UNIT PLANS - FIRST FLOOR

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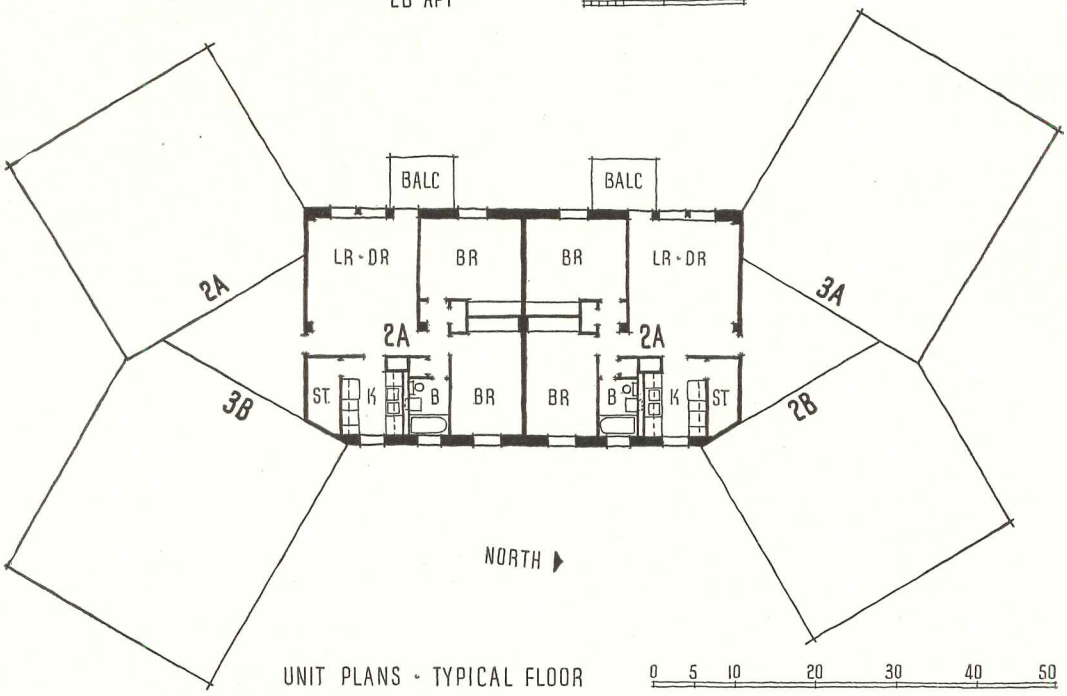



UNIT PLANS - TYPICAL FLOOR

*Triangular stair halls give direct access to utility rooms, incinerators and passages leading to parking and play areas. Units have well studied layouts, spaces for crib and storage*

*With these two basically dissimilar houses, Architect Paul Thiry has met the common problem of the narrow lot in two uncommon ways. One of the two he spread lengthwise, all but covering the site; the other he stretched across the width of the lot, leaving most of the length for terraces and landscaping.*

**Residence of**

**Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Alhadeff, Seattle, Wash.**

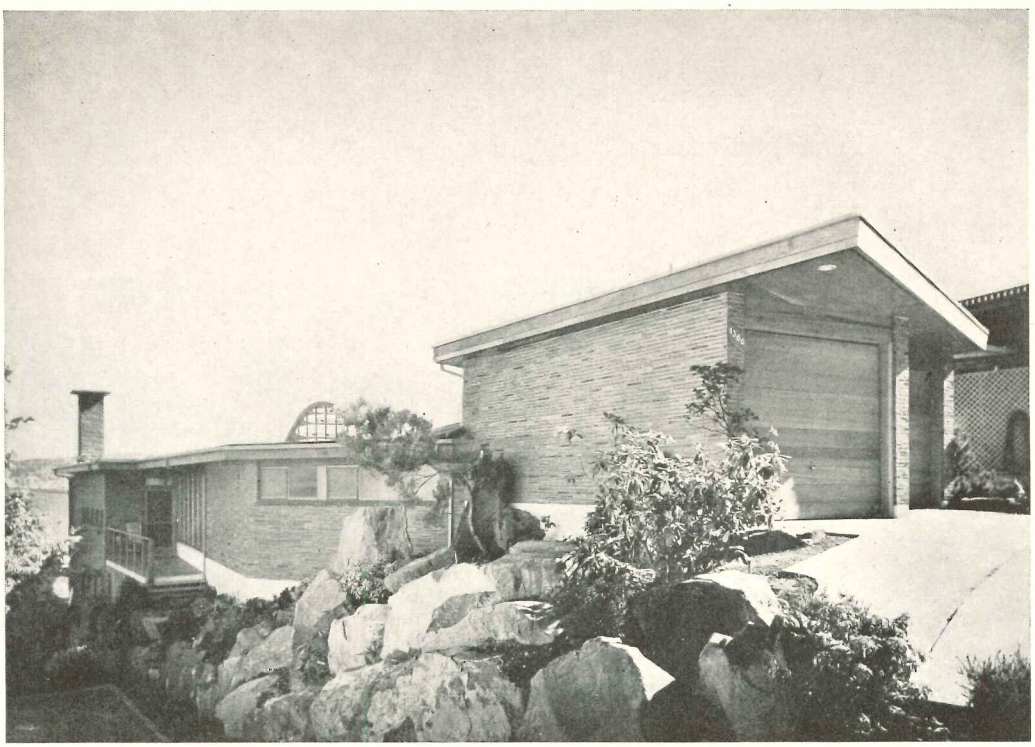
THE ALHADEFF RESIDENCE occupies a lot only 40 ft wide — exceptionally narrow for so large a house. It is within Seattle's city limits, fronting on Lake Washington, one block north of the Floating Bridge and only six minutes via traffic tunnel from the owner's downtown office. Since Mrs. Alhadeff wanted all principal rooms on one floor, the zigzag design resulted, the architect explains, from "the effort to obtain the maximum use of the land, to provide outlook plus privacy. . . . Each room looks out at the view or into the sheltered garden and has a seeming independence from the others."

# TWO SEATTLE HOUSES BY PAUL THIRY SOLVE

**Residence of**

**Mr. and Mrs. Roy Halsey, Hunt's Point, Wash.**

THE HALSEY HOUSE, across the lake at Hunt's Point, has a wider lot — almost 80 ft — across which the house is stretched, cutting off road from waterfront. Mr. Halsey spends long periods in Alaska supervising his business interests there, living then aboard his boat. When at home on Lake Washington he uses his boat for getting about almost as frequently as he does his car, so access to the dock is vitally important. Because he and his family do a lot of large-scale entertaining, the carport was planned as an adjunct to the paved yard onto which the combination living-dining room opens: for large parties the whole area can be thrown into one by opening the gates (not shown on plan, page 122) between yard and carport. A large workshop next to the carport and a workroom beneath the bedrooms are provided for care of boats and gear.



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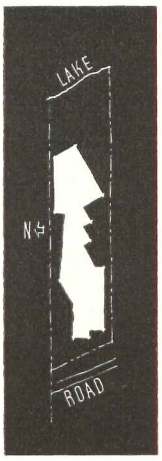
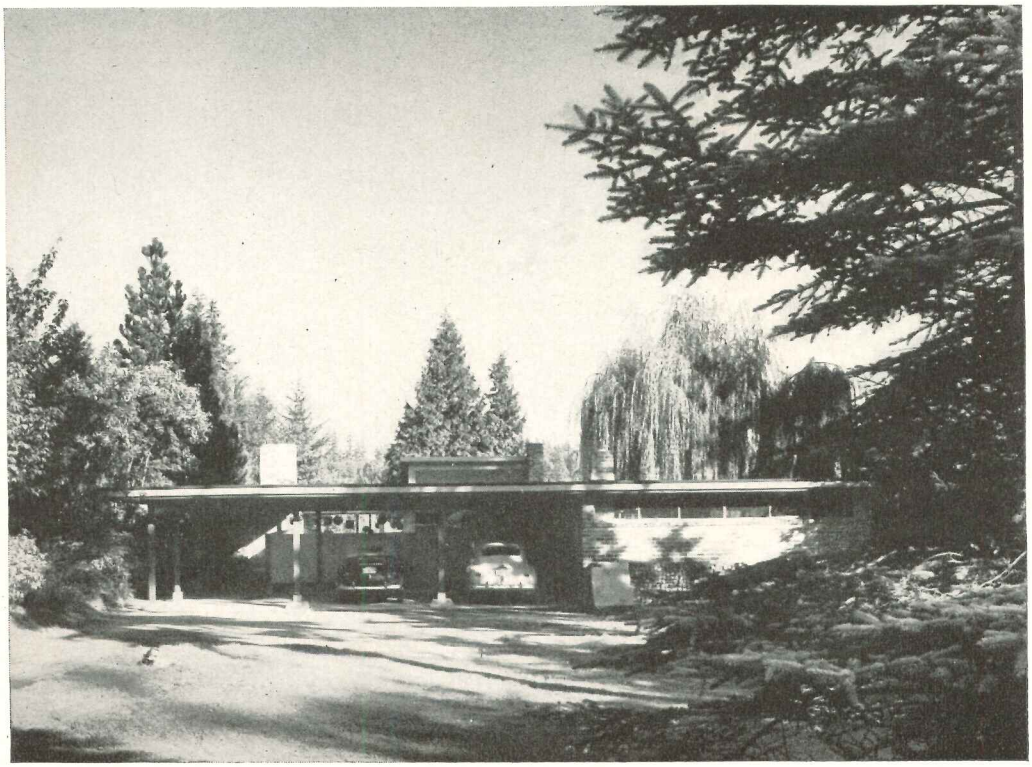
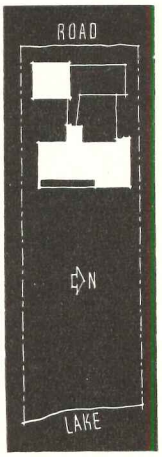
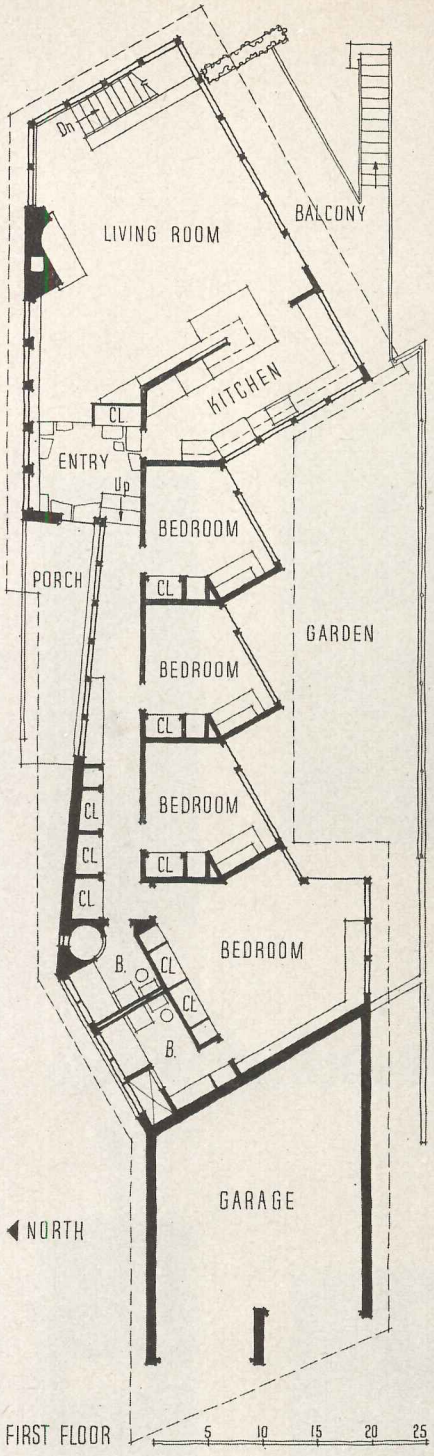
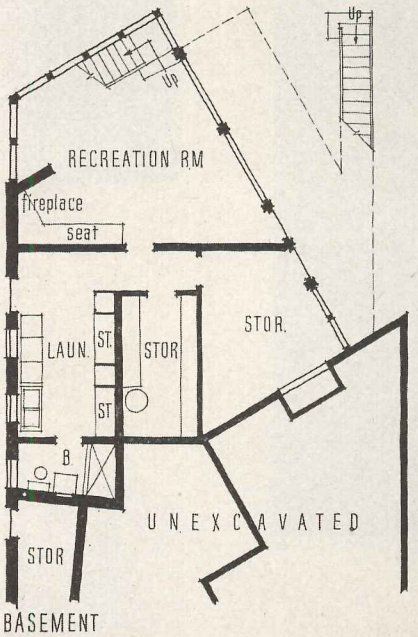



# NARROW-LOT PROBLEM IN TWO DIFFERENT WAYS

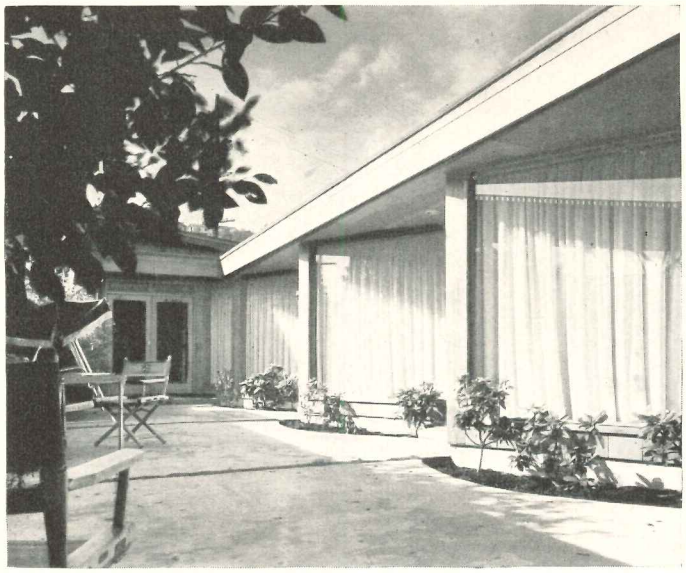


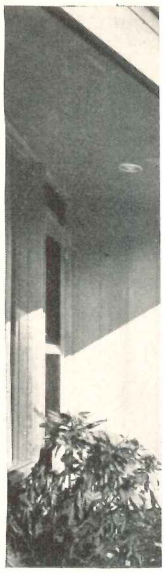




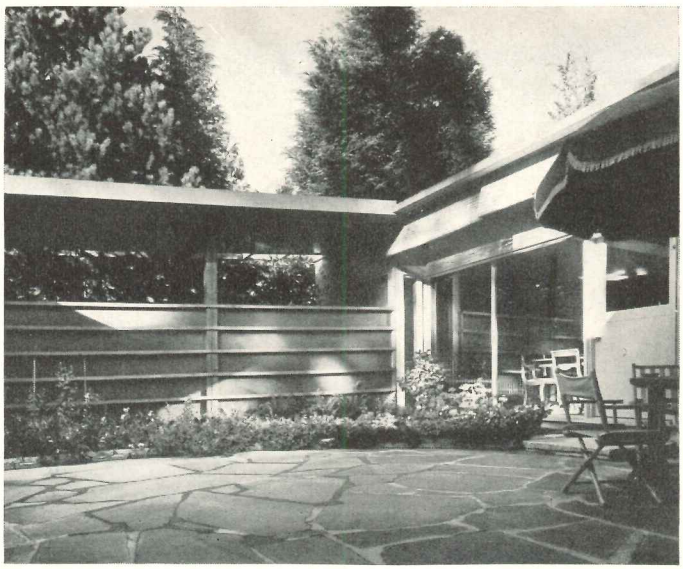

*Concrete-paved terrace accessible to all four bedrooms is major feature of Alhadeff house. Louvered screen (both photos across page) is so constructed as to give a view of lake from court and still maintain privacy. Strip windows in background (opposite page, left) are over working area in kitchen. South facade (far right) shows how completely the house is shielded from neighbors*



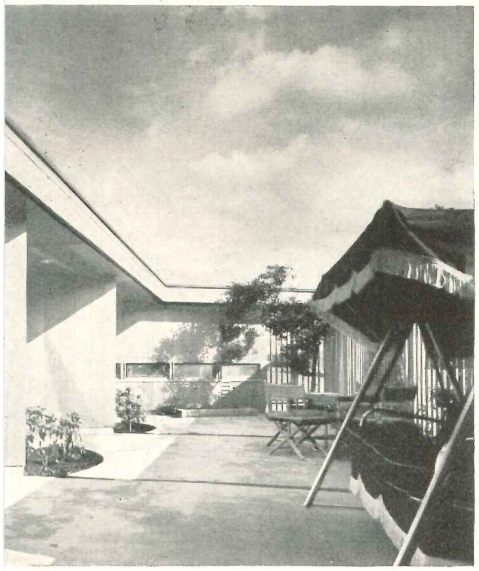


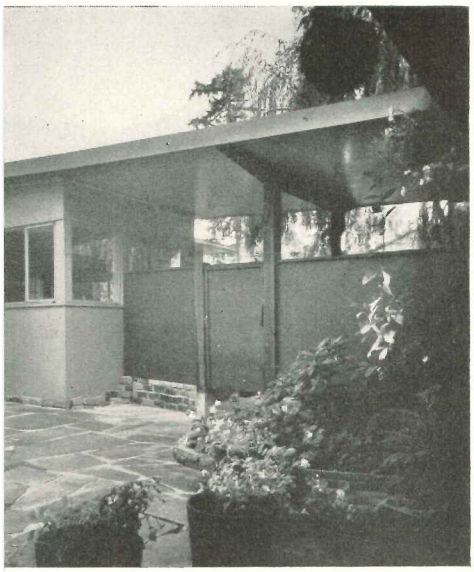
**Alhadeff Residence**

**Halsey Residence**



*The Halseys have flagstone-paved courtyard, separated from carport and entrance by fence and planting beds. Exterior walls are Douglas fir plywood. Bedrooms and living room (opposite page) face the lake; below them is workroom used to supplement workshop next to carport (next page). Wider margin to property line at south was allowed for carrying boats and gear to shop*





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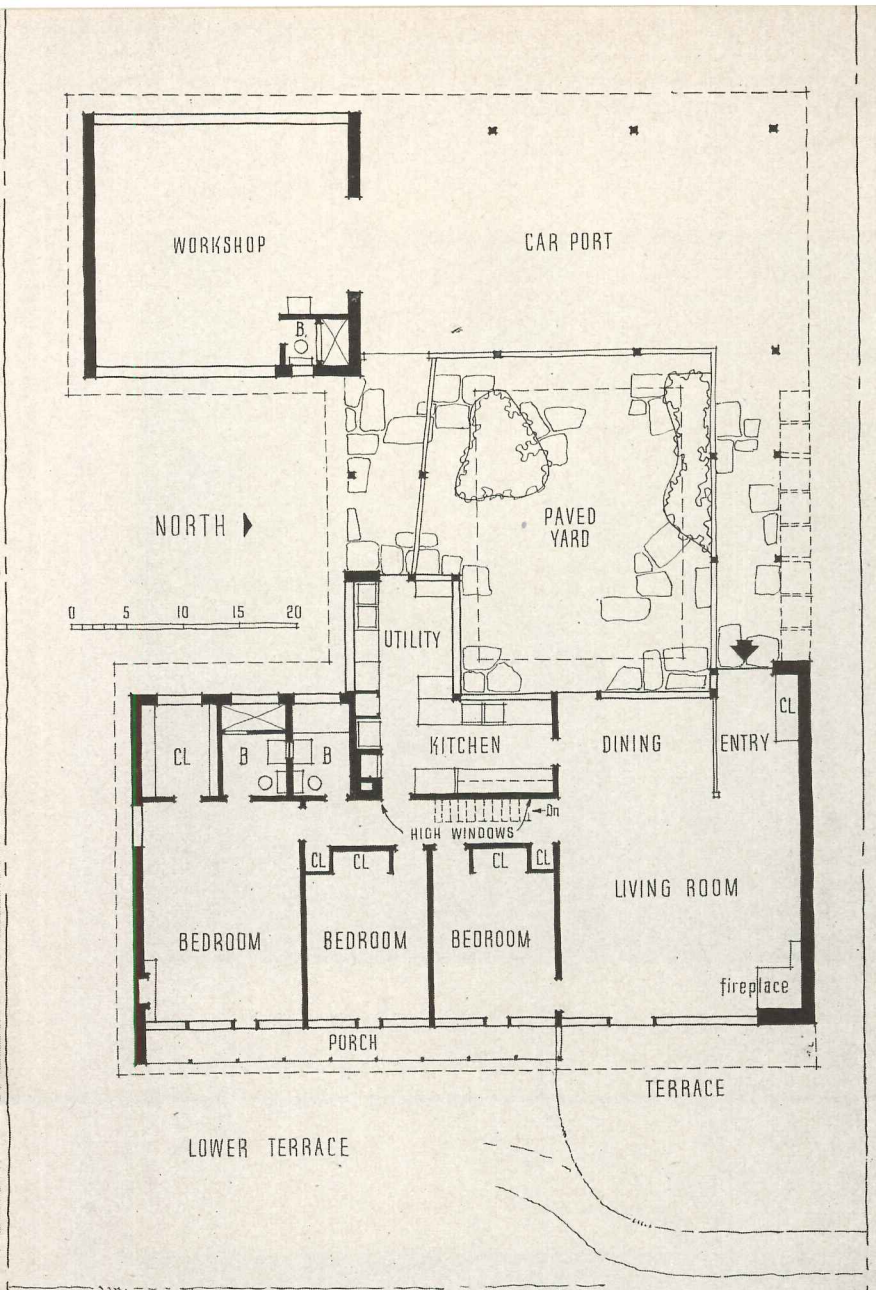

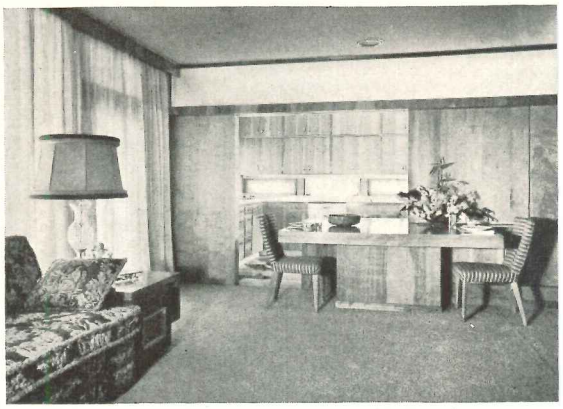

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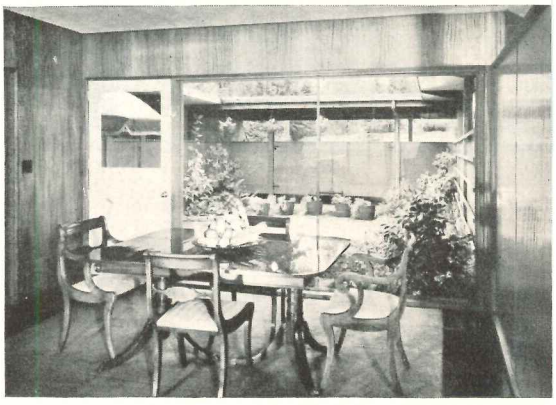

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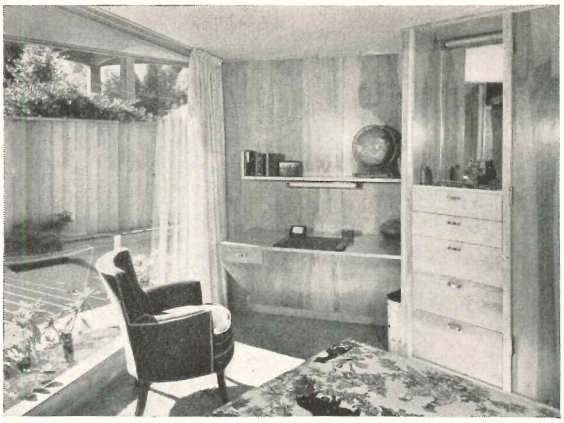
*Alhadeff living room is paneled in birch plywood; fireplace is Roman brick. Random marble floor in kitchen (above) and hall (next page) is relic of fish pool in the retail market originally maintained by Mr. Alhadeff's father. The family-owned market, now grown into a wholesale business national in scope, was in past years one of the show places of Seattle*

*North wall and corner fireplace of Halsey living room are of reclaimed brick; remaining walls are of African mahogany veneer; floor is asphalt tile. Combined kitchen-utility room has charcoal grill built into chimney from basement furnace*



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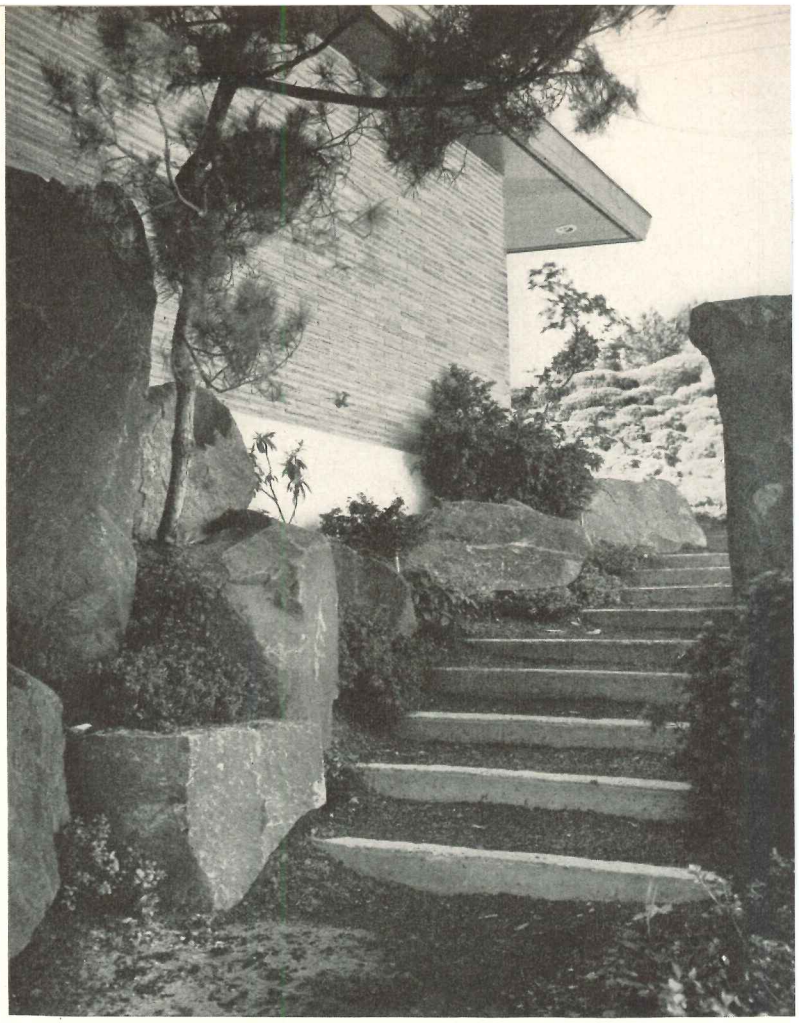

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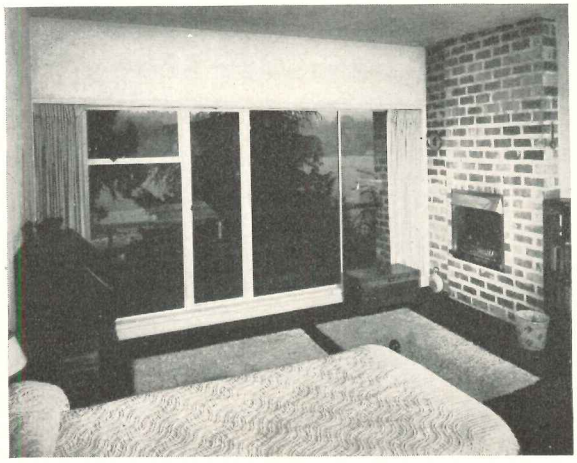
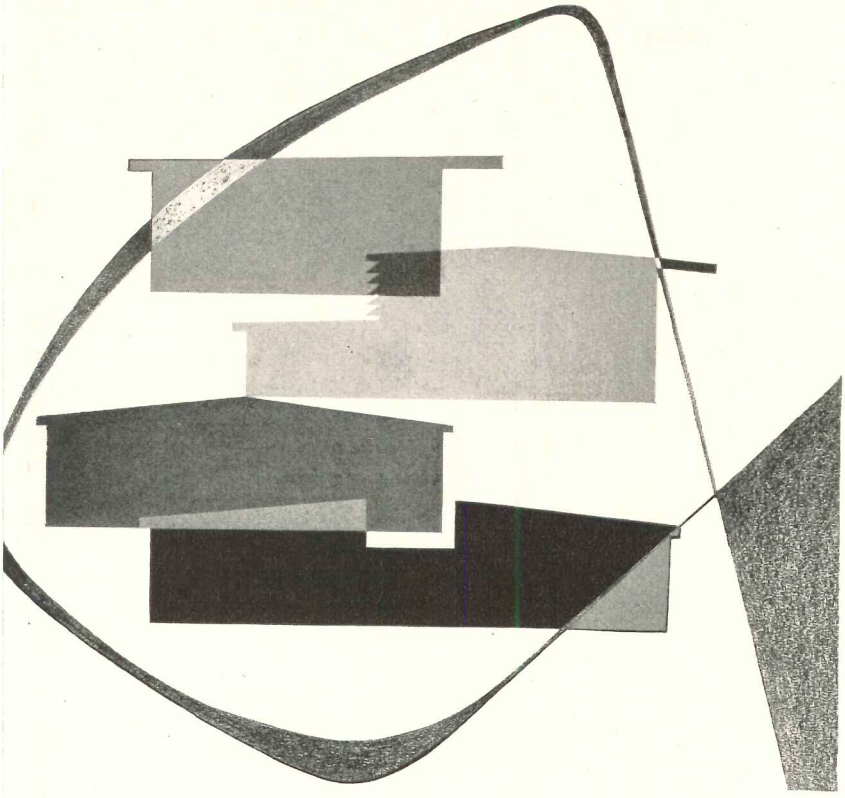
Chief difference in the two houses is best shown in the two large photos on this page: the verticality of the Alhadeff residence, marked by the steps leading from street to entrance past the garage; and the horizontality of the Halsey home, characterized by the broad sweep of lawn from lake to terrace.

**Halsey Residence**





# PROTOTYPES FOR LOW-COST SCHOOLS

SEVERAL significant things happened when, several months ago, we began asking architects for their best low-cost schools. For one thing, a deluge broke over us — the RECORD offices soon had school plans stacked in all corners. The prints came accompanied by detailed cost breakdowns, lists of money-saving expedients, diagrams of new plan and construction ideas, pie charts and slide-rule calculations. It was quickly apparent that every architect and his associate had been beating their ingenuity pretty earnestly to design schools for war-born youngsters who were literally going to school in shifts.

The word "prototype" turned up quite frequently — "this school is a prototype for a half dozen we are building this year," or, "a basis for designing the theoretically most economical school for Maine conditions" (Harriman, p. 126). This Building Types Study was done, then, by picking the plums from a rich basket of prototypes.

The schools differ widely. Some architects found economy in plan arrangements, in multi-purpose rooms and corridors, in new classroom shapes. Some in structural simplicity and modular design. Some used bilateral lighting; others designed for artificial lighting. The climatic regionalism of schools is readily seen.

There is eloquent testimony, in the diversity of ideas, of the essential ingenuity of architects when they really tackle the problem of costs. Also, perhaps, a comment on research still to be done.

There is a rightness, too, in this diversity of approach. Nobody expects that from such cost study a single standard school will emerge. Schools, like other buildings, are designed for strictly local needs, for local material supply conditions, for local weather, for local school boards. More and more, for example, are schools designed for adult use — one in this study even houses the township offices.

Everybody, however, has a right to expect good schools. All those here presented are well equipped, well lighted, well planned for modern activity programs. They do not waste money in massive monumentality that might appeal to older taxpayers; if the old folks want to use the school they will just have to get along with a bright and busy gayety put there for the youngsters. — *Emerson Goble*

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# A DESIGN STUDY: SCHOOL OPERATING COSTS

*By Alonzo J. Harriman**

*The author here completes his school cost studies, as promised in these pages a year ago, and develops the results in a "prototype" school theoretically most economical for Maine. This part of the study adds operating and maintenance factors to his earlier comparisons of structural systems and plan types. He makes no claims as to comprehensiveness of comparisons, or application to other localities. This is an individual study of design factors needing local evaluation, and dollar and cents figures are used only comparatively. Readers are urged to try out the methods developed by the Harriman firm, when similar questions must be brought into focus for a specific community.*

**Fig. 1. *HEATING COSTS—WALL TYPES***

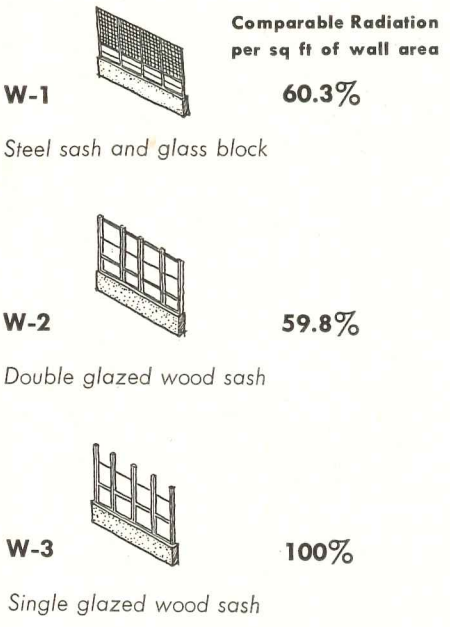
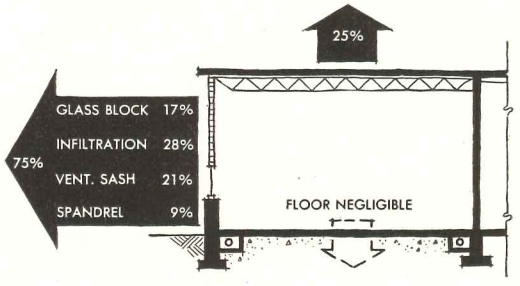



**Fig. 2. *HEAT LOSSES FROM TYPICAL CLASSROOM***




In the year since our office started these school cost studies in Architectural Record (March and April, 1949) we have continued our researches by investigating various design factors as they affect operating and maintenance costs as well as first costs of construction. We have also satisfied ourselves on the much-debated question of the daylighted school for our own lighting conditions, having long wanted a solid basis for arguing with Californians or Texans. We "Mainiacs" have a hard climate to deal with, and have not felt we could safely accept generalized tenets of school design.

So we have analyzed, both with slide rules and with observations in existing schools, such questions as: How much glass? What type of wall and roof construction for heating economy? What kind of lighting? The results, coupled with earlier studies of plan types, have given us a basis for designing the theoretically most economical school for Maine conditions, considering maintenance as well as first cost.

Actually we present here two "prototype" schools. One is strictly of the slide-rule, or engineering type; this is called type R (R for regional). The second is the more finished application, the real prototype; it is called K-8 (kindergarten and 8 classrooms) (page 131).

### *Construction and Heat Losses*

These studies of heat losses directly continue the earlier studies of the wall and roof types most economical as to construction costs. The wall types, W-1, W-2, W-3, are the same as in the earlier articles; so are the roof types, R-1 to R-5.

Fig. 1 illustrates these different wall types and the calculated relative heat losses. The W-3, the single glazed, we have used as 100 per cent. The heat loss from the combination wall of glass block and steel framework and steel sash is 60.3 per cent of this, and the heat loss from the double glazed one, using two wood sash to our detail, is 59.8 per cent of this base.

Of the total heat loss from a one-story semi-fireproof classroom, 52,000 Btu, 75 per cent is lost through the wall (see Fig. 2). This heat loss does not include, however, any loss due to ventilation. Ventilation we have considered as a use loss, not chargeable to the building efficiency.

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If the design heat loss through single glazing is 32,950 Btu, it is economical to double glaze even at the increased cost of approximately $324, for there is a saving of 13,225 Btu or 25 per cent of the heat loss through the single glass. In dollars and cents, this $36.30 yearly saving in the heating of a classroom is an 11 per cent return on the investment.

Fig. 3 shows the direct transmission losses through the roof for different roof types, R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4 and R-5. The studies indicate that R-1, which is the most economical to build, is also the most economical in heat loss. This is due to the fact that in this type construction we can use a fluffy insulation of the batt type or loose fill in place of the rigid insulation applied directly onto a flat roof boarding. R-2, R-3 and R-4 are the same due to the similar type of roof construction. R-5 is a little less efficient, due to the fact that it has a concrete slab in place of wood plank.

For saving in heating then, we would use wall construction W-2 and roof R-1. There are, however, other advantages to the glass block wall W-1. With visor over clear glass we have had satisfactory light with direct sunshine on the wall without blinds or screens, but the new blocks do have a very low surface brightness.

### *Plan Types and Heating*

Fig. 4 shows the over-all heating results of our various types of schools indicated in the earlier article — type S-2, two-story semi-fireproof; S-1, one-story semi-fireproof; and C-1, one-story combustible.

Note that in the figures for heating, no lights, no pupil content, and no sun heat gains have been considered.

It is again noted that type C-1, the one-story with the combustible roof, is the most efficient, as far as heat loss goes, of them all. Again the reason is the ability to put in fluffed insulation economically in the roof space. That is the only difference between this type and the one-story semi-fireproof. However, change to double glazing in place of glass block and steel sash, and there would be a further saving.

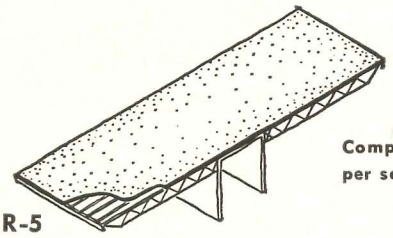
It is interesting to note, in the above figures, that the heat loss through the roof, which would be approximately 25 per cent of the total heat from the building, is more than offset by the heat loss from the auxiliary spaces. In other words, the heat loss from the corridor ends, from the stair-halls and toilets, is more than enough to offset the heat loss through approximately twice the roof area. This, I must say, is contrary to what we expected.

It develops, therefore, that although the heat loss of the two-story classroom itself is less, the over-all loss is greater than for the one-story building. And with the more economical combustible roof, we would have a still more economical building as far as heat loss goes. It is most interesting to note that the most economical building to construct is also the most economical to heat.

### *How About the Daylighted School?*

It is frequently said that north light is the ideal lighting for a classroom in any climate. Also that a

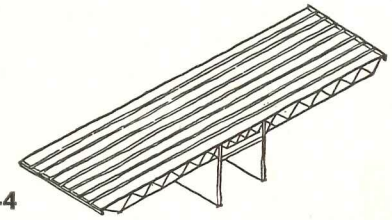
**Fig. 3. *HEATING COSTS—ROOF TYPES***



**Comparable Radiation per sq ft of floor area**

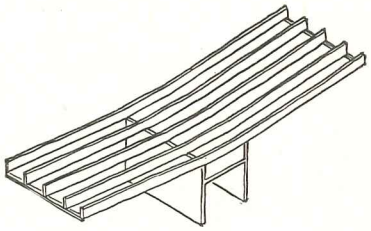
**R-5** **100%**

*Open-web steel joists, 2½-in. concrete slab; lath and plaster ceiling, rigid insulation*



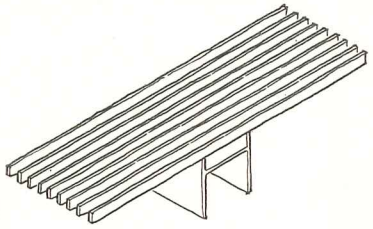
**R-4** **88.9%**

*Open-web steel joists, 24 in. o.c., with 2 by 4 wood nailers for sheathing; gypsum board ceiling strapped to joists, rigid insulation*



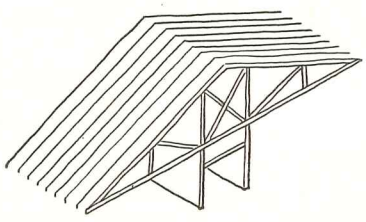
**R-3** **88.9%**

*Dihedral type, wood mill-frame construction, timbers 48 in. o.c., 2 by 4 wood nailers; structure exposed, painted; rigid insulation*



**R-2** **88.9%**

*Wood joists, 24 in. o.c.; matched wood sheathing ceiling strapped to bottom of joists, gypsum board, painted; rigid insulation*



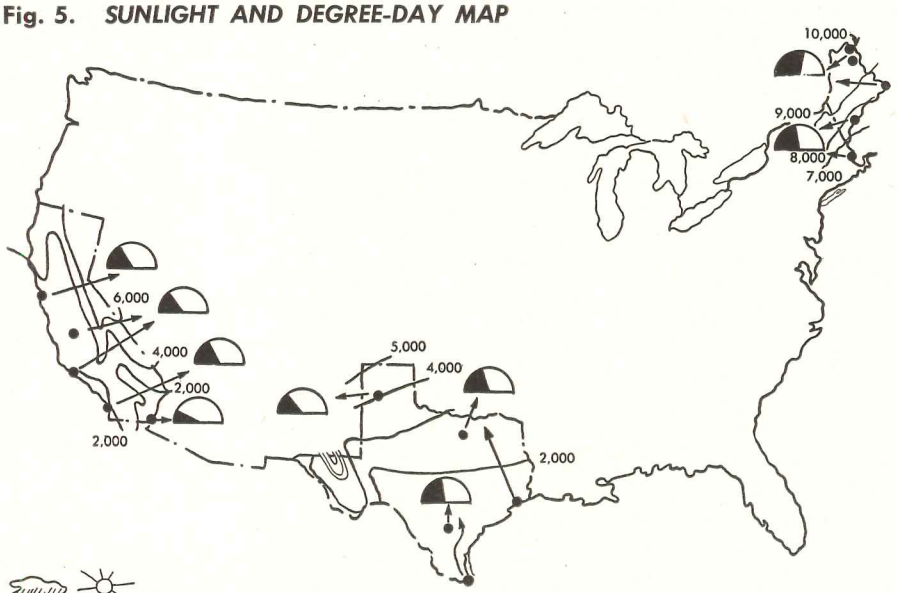
**R-1** **33%**

*Pitched type, light wood trusses 24 in. o.c.; ceiling strapped to joists, gypsum board, painted; 4-in. mineral wool insulation*

**Fig. 4.** ***HEATING COSTS—BUILDING TYPES***

| | | Total Design Heat Loss in BTU per hr. |
|---|---|---|
| S-1 | Classrooms | 549,000 |
| | Auxiliaries | 186,000 |
| | Total | 735,000 |
| | % of base (S-2) | 91% |
| C-1 | Classrooms | 434,000 |
| | Auxiliaries | 146,000 |
| | Total | 580,000 |
| | % of base (S-2) | 71.8% |
| S-2 | Classrooms | 502,000 |
| | Auxiliaries | 306,000 |
| | Total | 808,000 |
| | % of base | 100% |
| R | Classrooms | 285,000 |
| | Auxiliaries | 134,000 |
| | Total | 419,000 |
| | % of base (S-2) | 52% |

**Fig. 5.** ***SUNLIGHT AND DEGREE-DAY MAP***




Cloudy and sunlight proportion of daylight hours during normal school year

9,000 Lines of equal degree-days per year

classroom suitable for Texas or California is equally good for Maine. With this we have always disagreed. We have not, however, always had the necessary facts to back up the Maine side of the debate. The old argument has at least had the constructive result of goading us into assembling some concrete data.

We have considered the effect of temperature, ventilation, natural light and sun on the schoolhouse design for climatic conditions shown in Fig. 5; the effect of snow, which covers the ground half of the school year; and the reaction of various teachers and superintendents for whom we have built schools recently.

In surveying recent schools that we have done, we found that *every* teacher wanted sun in her classroom at some time during the day. They all preferred sunny classrooms; some asked for south exposure but were satisfied with east and west, east preferred. It seems that on a west exposure, there are a few weeks during the year, both in spring and in fall, when the west sun, shining into the room, overheats the room to some extent. However, this was not too serious a complaint. Teachers would much rather have this than not to have any sun at all during the winter months. I think this west overheating can be very well taken care of in this climate by putting a deciduous tree screen to the west of the classrooms, as indicated in our K-8 school.

We also tried designing a school for natural light, but observations indicate that natural light is not sufficient for good classroom lighting much over half the time, that is, without some strong measures in the way of clerestories. We have not been able to get from the Weather Bureau the sky dome brightness and a definite reading as to the amount of sky light for various days. However, the Weather Bureau has recently put in a type of apparatus that will continuously register the amount of light each day and the intensity of the light at any period during the day. Their findings will be of great advantage to us in the future.

We have, however, been able to observe daylighting in an addition to our office. This addition was the size of one half of a 30 by 30 ft classroom, or 15 by 30 ft. The area of glass is 46 per cent of the floor area. It is not designed exactly like one half of a classroom, but is very similar. It has awning type roof projection over the windows to the south and sunboards over the windows to the east and west.

We started experimenting in this room, taking light readings on various overcast days. From these readings we found definitely that there were certain days in this climate when it was impossible to light a classroom with daylight. As a result, also, we question the sunboards.

With this in mind, we took readings in our several schools in varying overcast weather. These are given in the graphs in Figure 6.

Note that in the upper graph only about half of the classroom is satisfactorily lighted with a 1200-foot-candle sky. Notice that on a 400-foot-candle sky none of the classroom is well lighted. This is not changed much by a snow cover. Graph 2, Curve B, shows that for a 700-foot-candle sky, only at one point is the room satisfactorily lighted. This is with a snow cover. Curve A, however, shows most of the room satisfactorily lighted. This was a clear glass window.

On overcast days sunboards and awnings of various types were very detrimental to the reading in the classroom, although advantageous on sunny days. We also found that, on overcast days, clear glass was better for the classrooms than glass block, though here again we must remember the glare of bright days. Also that a sloping ceiling was of considerable help.

Observations indicated that lights were as apt to be left on continuously as not to have been put on at all when the necessity arose for artificial lighting, or vice versa.

The figures that we got for classroom readings were corroborated by information supplied by the glass block manufacturer, for the intensity of sky dome for which we were taking readings. It is simply a matter of what weather conditions set the pattern for design. It is, of course, possible to augment our unilateral lighting by bilateral lighting. Bilateral lighting, however, generally does away with the double loaded corridor, which means a more expensive school.

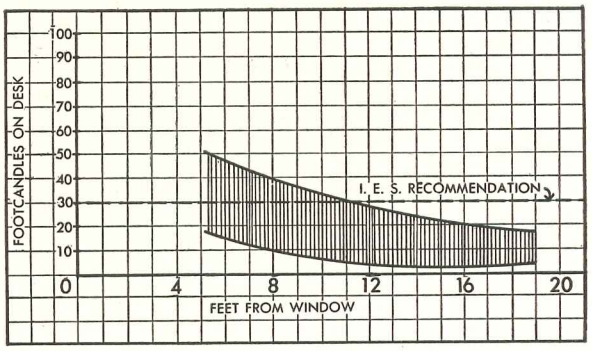
### *Daylight Proves Expensive*

Another lighting experiment involves a high school in Easton, Maine, which was designed with a clerestory. A section of this school is shown in Fig. 7. However, the price was more than the community could afford, so we had to re-design it without the clerestory. We found that on clear days we got approximately the same amount of light in the back of the classroom (with glass block) that we would have had with a clerestory.

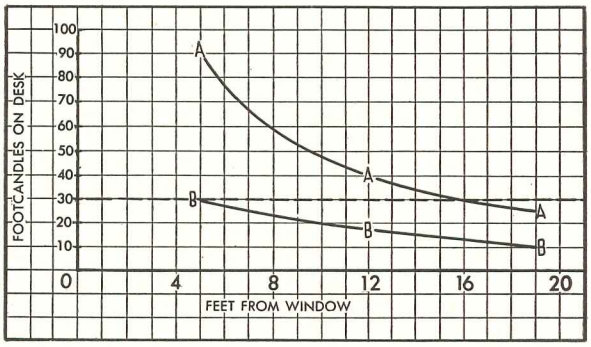
We built a mock-up of this clerestory section and experimented with light, and were convinced that the light was equivalent at least to the requirements. However, in re-designing this school, omitting the clerestory and putting in a flat roof and glass block, unilaterally lighted, and cutting down our heat losses too, we saved approximately $1 a sq ft, or a 10 per cent saving in the cost of the building.

Finally, there is the fact that our readings and those of the Weather Bureau show that the number of overcast days runs at least 45 per cent. We have to face the fact and design a classroom for artificial illumination, with at least part of it to be artificially illuminated all of the time. It looks as if we were just getting around to what is already a well marked trend in factory design — elimination of sawtooth roofs in favor of artificial lighting, with open windows for psychological effect.

**Fig. 6. *RANGE OF LIGHT READINGS ON CLOUDY DAYS***

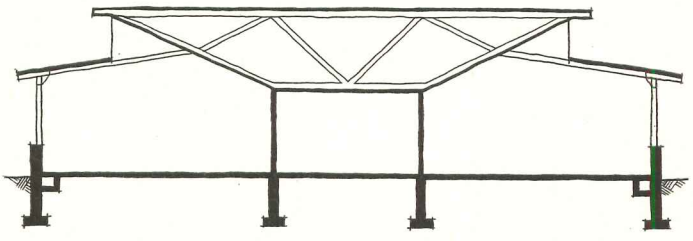


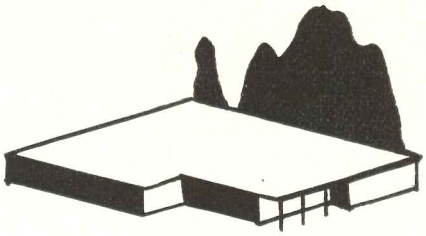

Graph 1: Upper curve, glass block over vision strip 1200-ft-candle sky, snow cover; lower curve, similar room, 400-ft-candle sky, no snow

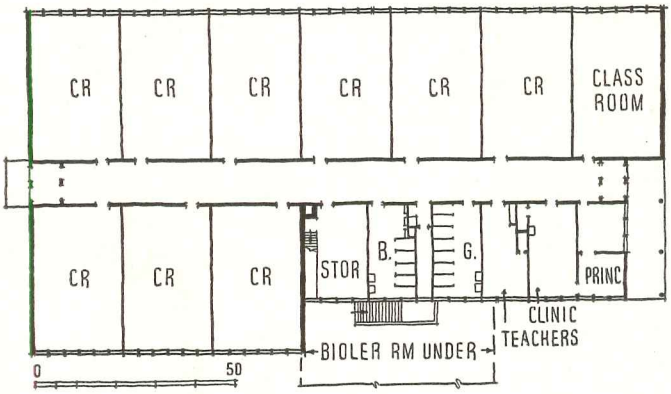



Graph 2: Comparison of light readings with and without sun glare protection; Curve A, wood sash, no sun visor, 700-ft-candle sky, snow cover; Curve B, glass block and vision strip, equivalent sky

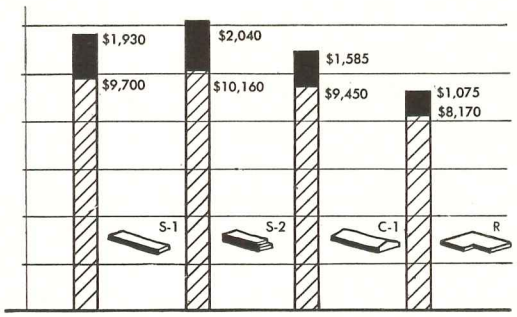
**Fig. 7. *PROPOSED SECTION FOR DAYLIGHTING***








*The "slide rule" prototype school uses the deep classroom, to save outside wall, previous studies having indicated the savings possible by pushing outside walls apart. It has double-glazed side walls, flat roof design for easy installation of insulation*




*Final calculations of construction cost and heating costs in annual terms show substantial savings over types of buildings already thought to be fairly economical. In the test run, the R school won by a wide margin. The basic scheme is developed farther in the final "K-8" (opposite page)*

### *A "Slide Rule" Prototype*

The foregoing studies and previous articles indicate that the most efficient building for our Maine climate is the one-story building. It is much more efficient in construction costs, with a saving of about 7 per cent. It is also more efficient to heat.

This "R-type" building would also, of course, make for savings in janitorial service, having only two toilets to clean and maintain, while in the two-story there are four. Also, the net area of the one-story is less by approximately 16 per cent, which means 16 per cent less janitoring. This is true, even though they are of identical construction. Also, of course, stairs are one of the hardest things to clean.

From our previous studies we found that if we increased the span in the classroom we decreased the cost per square foot. The farther we pushed the outside walls apart, and diluted their cost, the less the building cost per square foot. We therefore thought that if we changed our classroom so that the end was the outside wall and the length the depth, we would be saving something. We also felt that by designing a classroom this way, we could light the interior artificially all the time for activities which might just as well, if not better, be carried on under artificial light. Also by cutting the exposure of the exterior wall by one-third, we cut down a large amount of heat loss. Of course, shortening the classroom also shortens the corridor a corresponding amount.

The deep classrooms caused a change in roof design, the building being too wide for the pitched roof. For this school we would use long-span steel joists and plank roof, with 2 by 6 ceiling joists. With this we could use the batt type insulation about as easily as in the pitched roof. The wall would be the W-2 type with double glazing.

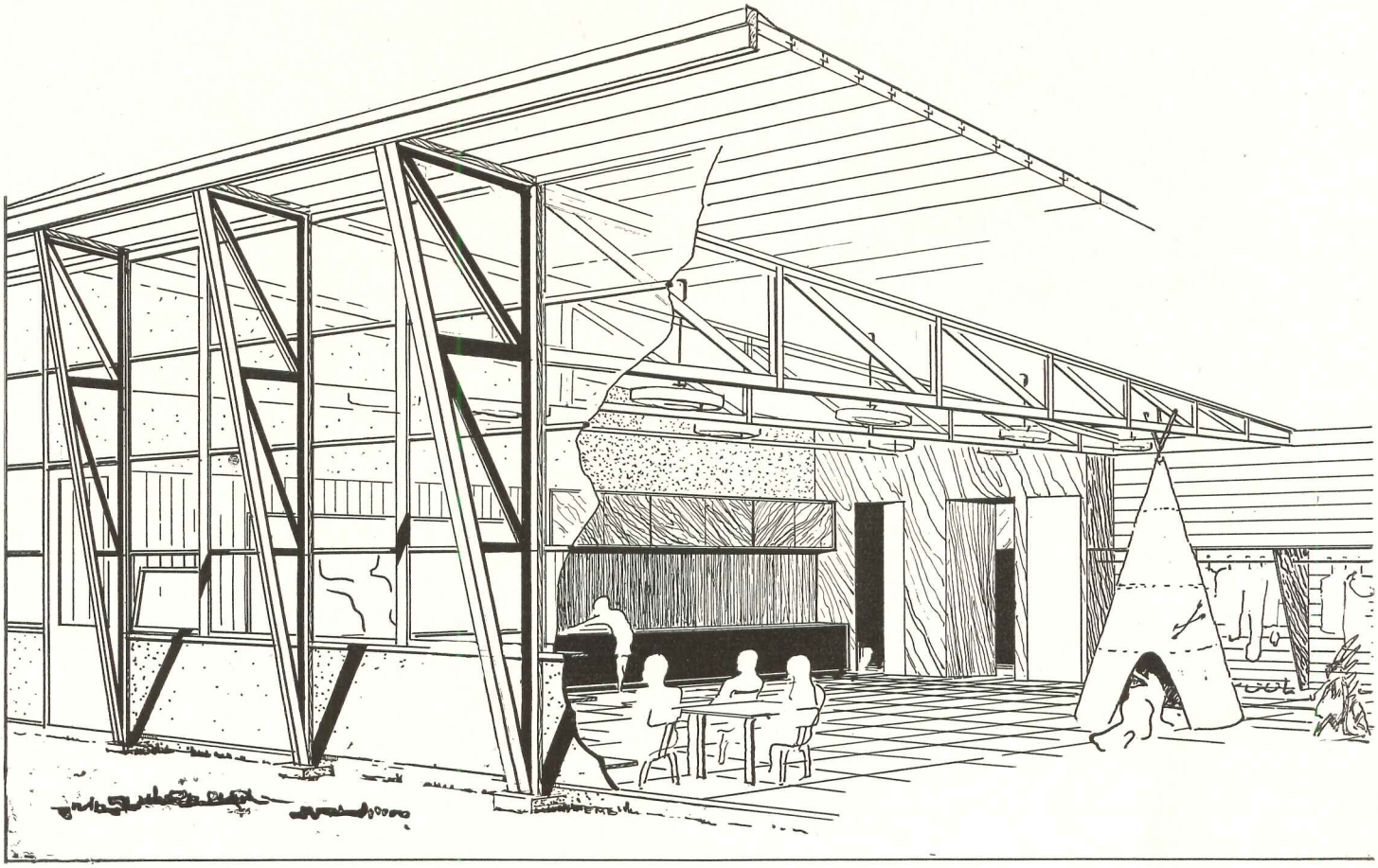
In conclusion, this R type school (using the same unit prices) reduced the cost by 19.8 per cent over our S-2 school, or $40,300; 16.2 per cent over our S-1 school or $31,400; 7.3 per cent over our C-1 school or $26,000.

It also has a saving in heat loss and, therefore, in annual heating cost. There would be a saving of approximately $965 a year in fuel for this building, or approximately 48.3 per cent of the total cost of heating the two-story building, or a saving of 32 per cent or $510 over the one-story building.

### *New Codes for New Schools*

It would be far better to build more new schools, and junk some of the old, even though the standards are not as high as we desire.

We realize that there are certain things in this design that the laws will not now allow us to do. The classroom height must be one-half the width in certain states, and possibly there are many other requirements that this school will not meet. Perhaps, however, logic will help change some of the codes.



# PROTOTYPE SCHOOL BORN OF RESEARCH

*By Alonzo J. Harriman*

THIS "K-8" school is in effect the summation of all of our cost studies. It is designed to put the results into a workable "prototype" school that will be economical in maintenance as well as first cost. The K-8 means kindergarten and eight grades, in a school to house from 250 to 300 students in the typical Maine community.

Classrooms are designed for 100 per cent use of artificial light in the inner half of the room. The outer end will be naturally lighted, but will be supplemented even there by artificial light, so that at all time seeing conditions will be good.

The building runs north and south, the kindergarten having south and east exposure. West classrooms would be shaded by a screen of deciduous trees to keep out the hot afternoon sun. These trees, of course, shade them in spring and fall, but in winter allow the sun to shine through.

The activity space acts as a corridor to save space. All the services are together, and toilets in excess of those necessary in the rooms are located off the activities space, so that they can be readily used by the children during playtime both indoors and outdoors. The storage space off the activities room is for play

yard material, and for material used in the playroom. The toilets are individual for the kindergarten and the first four grades.

We have arranged a teacher's closet and a wardrobe in the back near the corridor in all rooms, and have assumed that as shown in our sketches, the back end of this classroom will be used for activities.

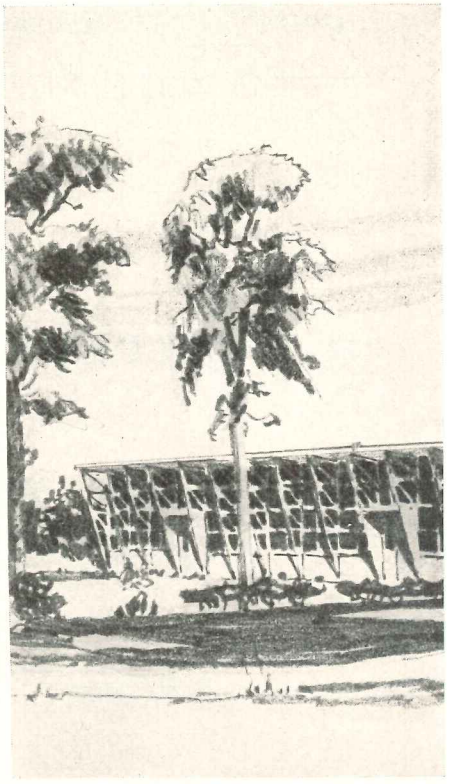
The unit has a roof of two different pitches coming to the low point on the masonry wall, with interior downspouts.

The structure uses a rigid frame (similar to an open-web joist), that runs from the central bearing wall outward. It would come in one unit. Frames are spaced eight feet apart; the ceiling is planked with 3-in. planks, spanning between these joists. The central bearing wall is of 8 by 8 terra cotta tile, load bearing, and aside from structural considerations, effects a desirable noise attenuation. The walls are of double glazed sash with single glazed hopper vents. They are all glazed with clear glass.

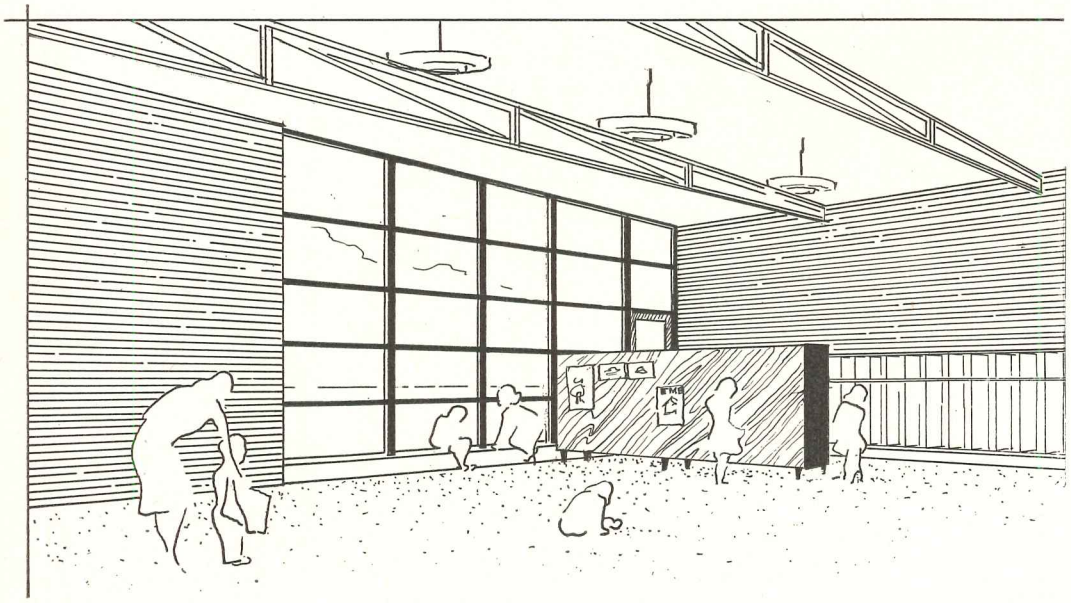
Materials are chosen for minimum maintenance. Where we have been using light paints, maintenance has been high. We now think that to use a light, natural plywood of approximately the same reflectance with a durable natural finish is much more economical in the long run. In this state there are certain grades of plywood that can be bought here very economically. These hardwood plywoods are not only good looking but tough.

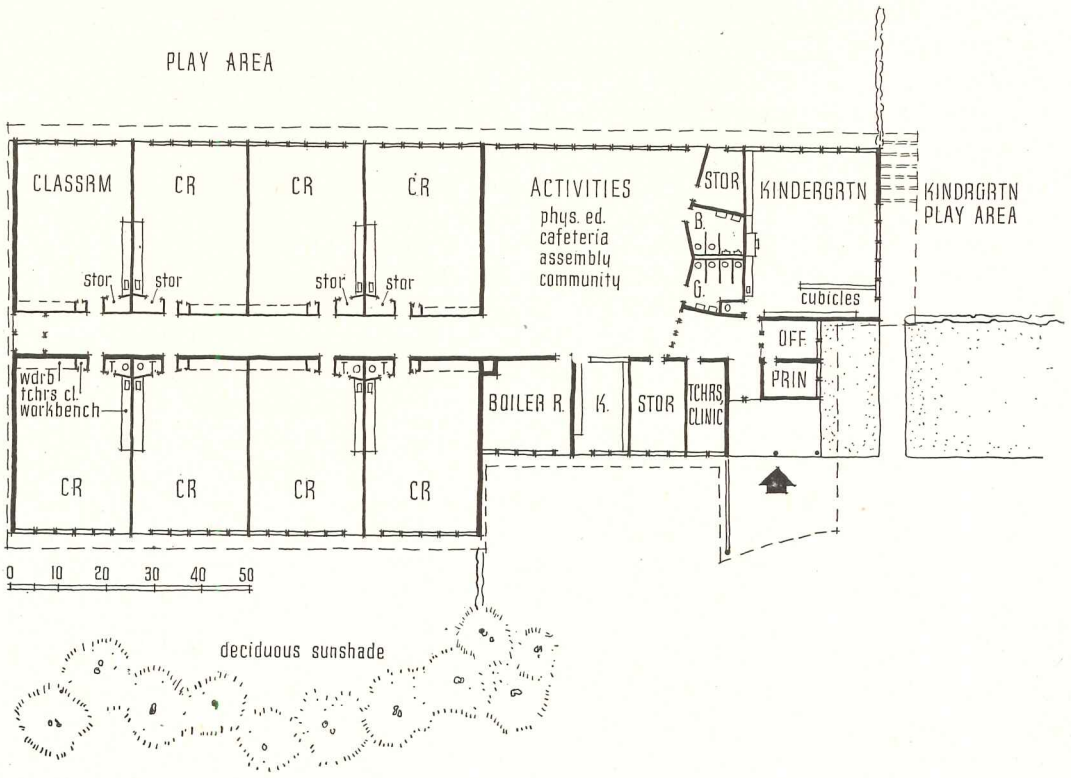
The end walls are of masonry with brick exterior. Under the windows we are using a prepared board of fibrous material an inch and a half thick with asbestos cement bonded to both exterior and interior faces. The sash is of wood. The floor covering is asphalt tile, except in the toilets, which have ceramic tile walls and floor. The ceilings are painted for light reflection and the walls above the plywood are painted the same color as the ceilings. The plywood extends up to the height of 7 ft, and from there above, it is plasterboard painted, with patches of acoustic material as needed. The plasterboard continues down in back of the plywood in all cases to give a fire-retarding effect.

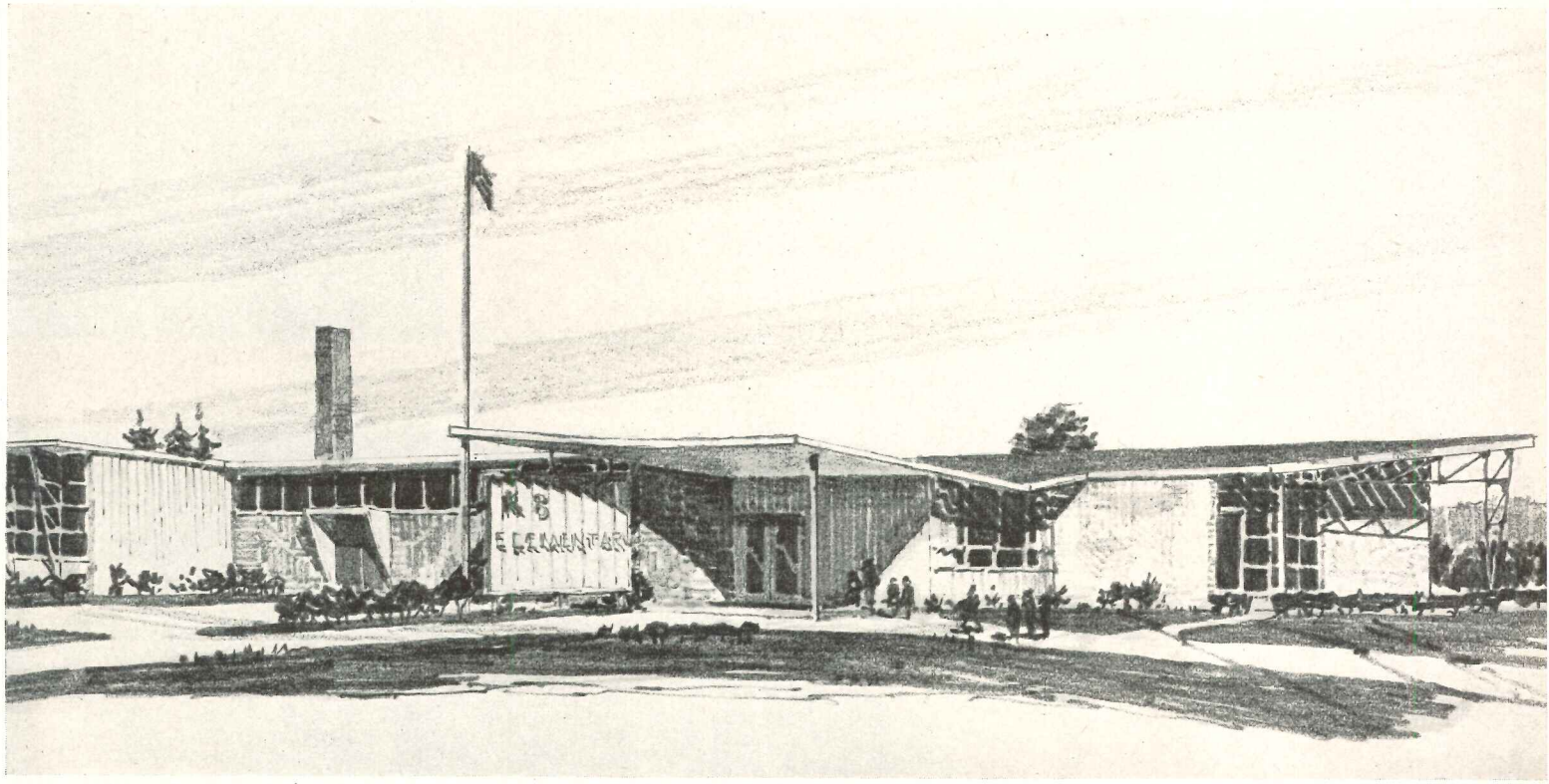
In the K-8 school, we have exploited the economies developed in the Type R building and added certain features, notably the rigid frame structure, which we *believe* to contain further economies, combining them into a plan and building that make an architectural project of the purely engineering study developed in Type R.



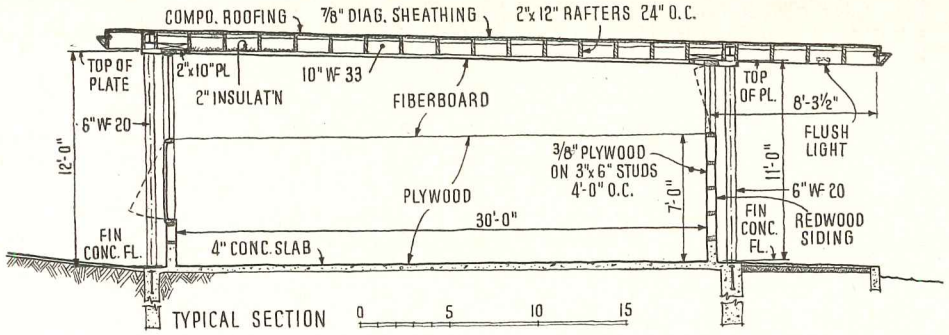
*Classrooms are designed for artificial lighting, with daylight expected to serve only the outer portion of the room. Classrooms face east and west; Harriman proposes a screen of deciduous trees against afternoon sun*





*Harriman's cost studies extending over more than a year come to fruition in K-8 school (kindergarten and eight classrooms), which incorporates the basic findings and adds a wrinkle or two for good measure. The rigid steel frame, still not tested for cost, is occasioned by the deepening of the classrooms*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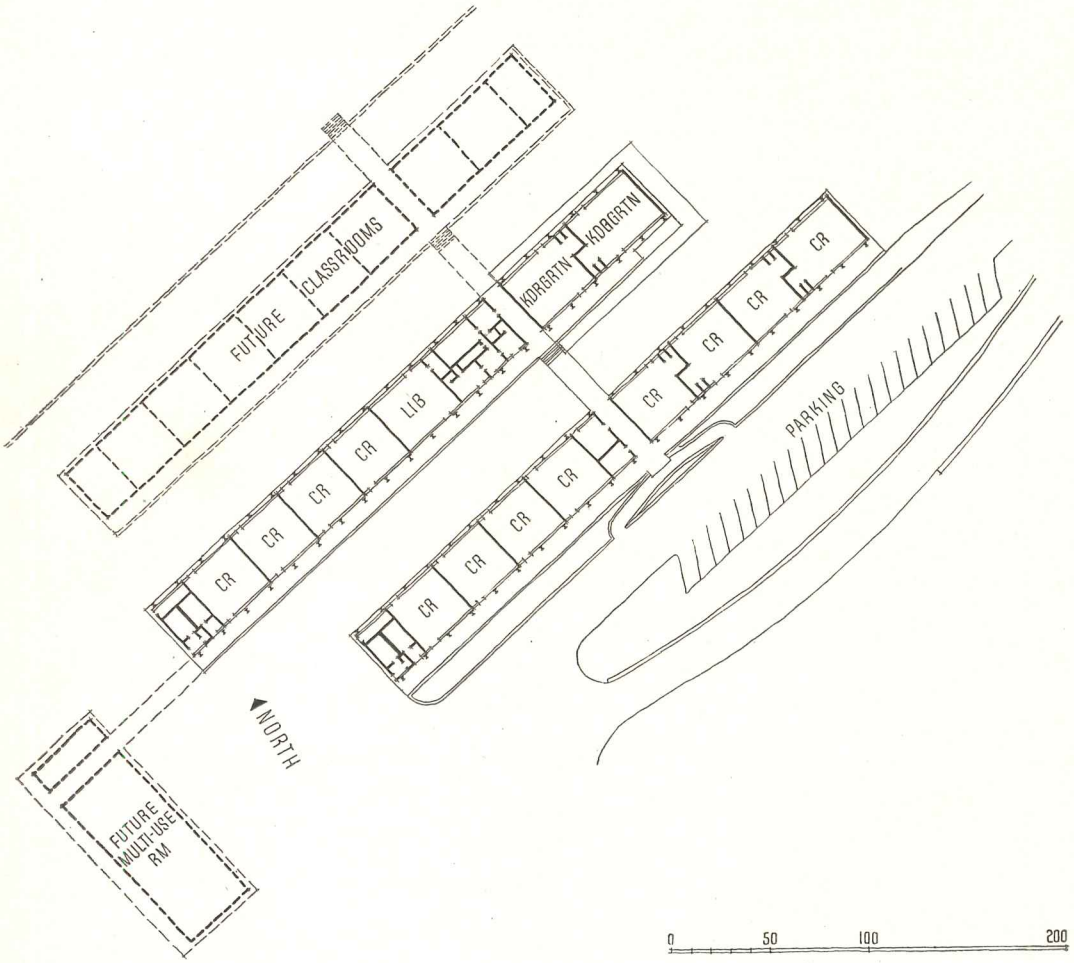
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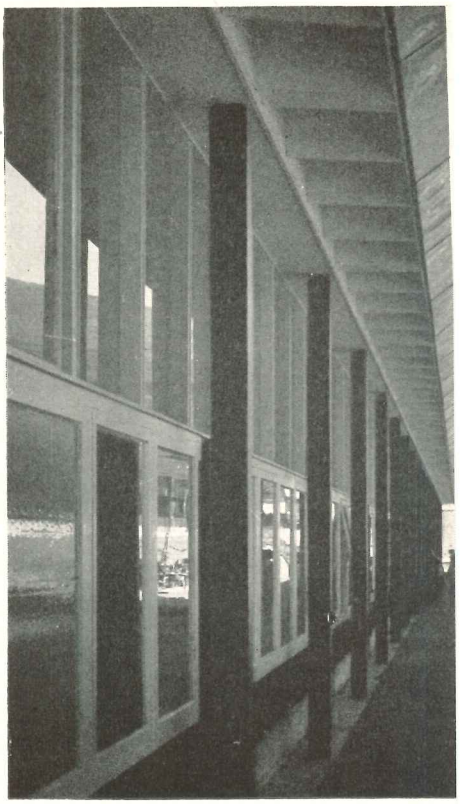
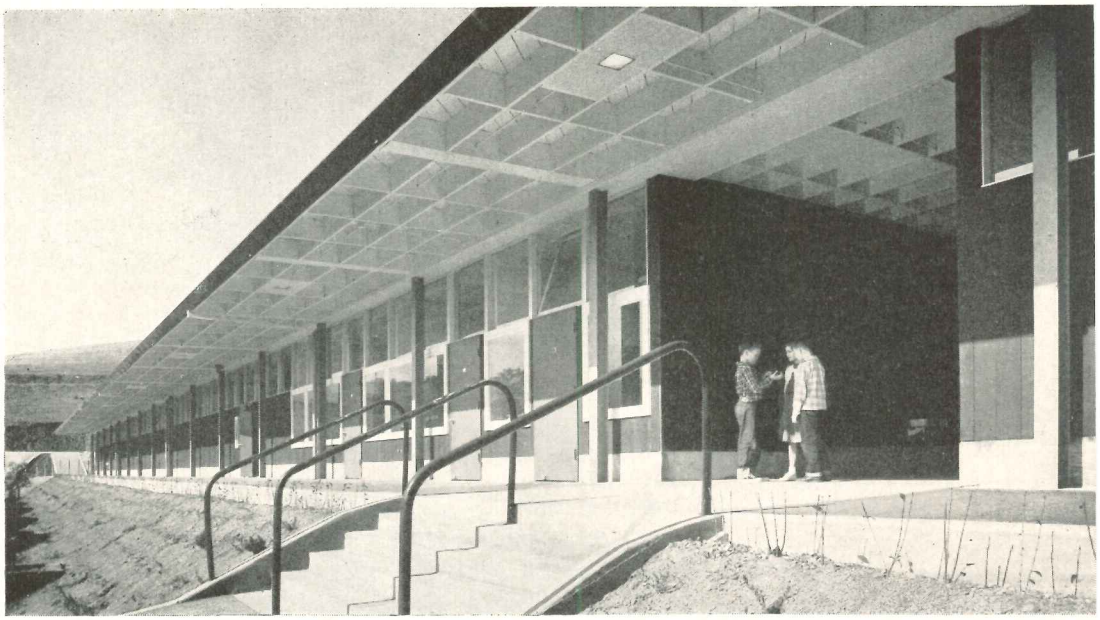
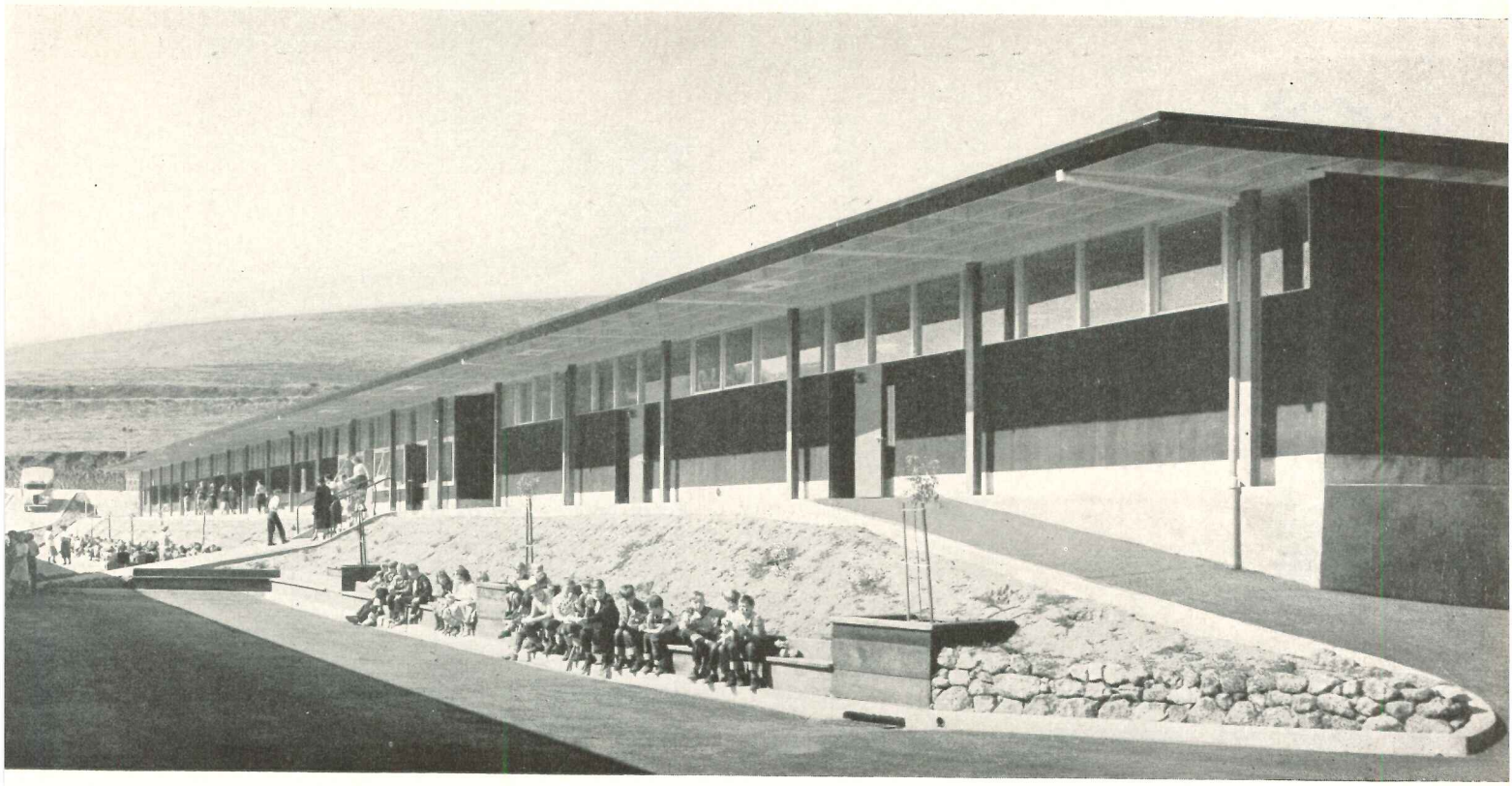




# CUT THE COST BUT KEEP THE QUALITY

Arundel School, San Carlos, Cal.



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OF THE low-cost group of schools out of the Kump & Falk office, Arundel is one of the most economical. In a chronological sense the true prototypes are Moorpark and San Tomas schools at Campbell, Cal. The schools in this group are all basically alike (photos pages 138, 9), but differ considerably in architectural aspects.

All are of the single-loaded-corridor, square classroom type, with bilateral lighting, without clerestory. All have a simple steel frame, with columns standing free of outside walls. The exterior walls become in effect partitions, placed just inside the columns. The frame is designed for simple, fast erection, and for most economical use of steel — no effort is made to fit the column spacing to the window or partition arrangement.

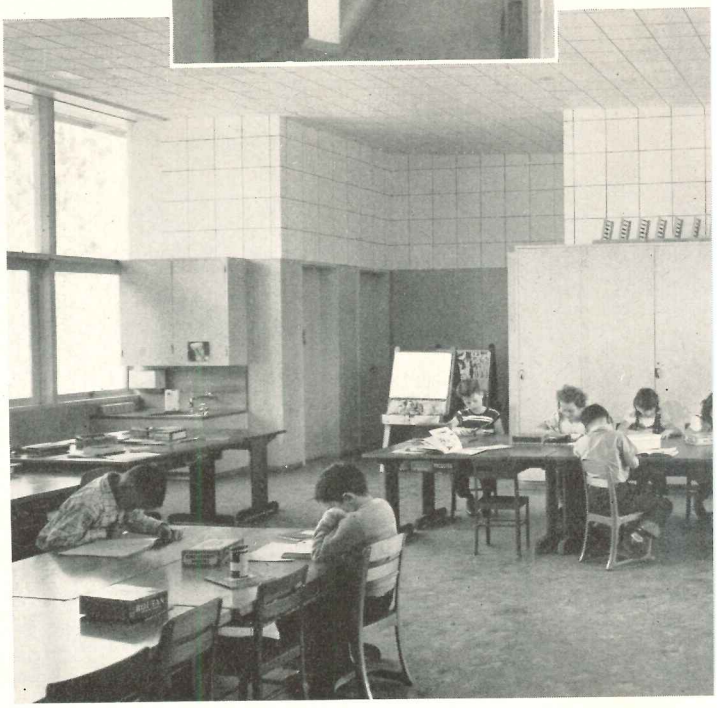
In general the schools in this group represent an expert paring down of dozens of items, preserving the functional quality of the school but choosing the least costly specifications. In working with school boards the Kump office stresses a thorough understanding of

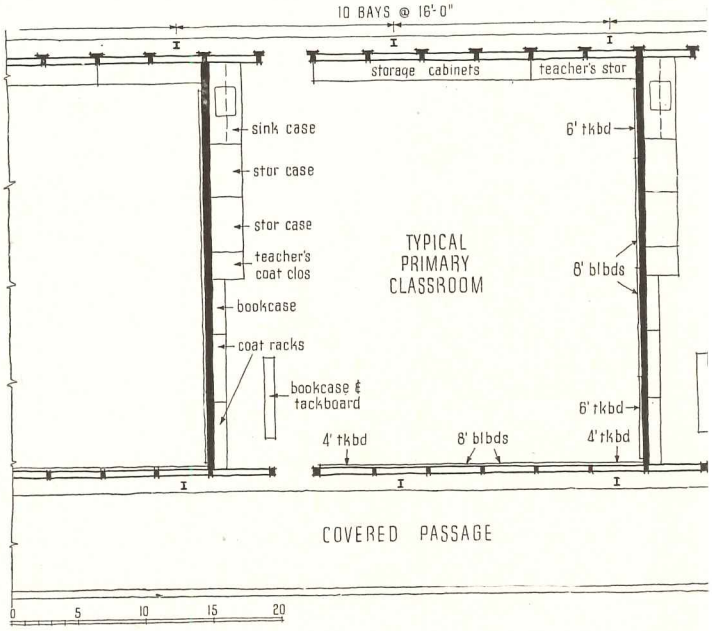
## TYPICAL SCHOOL COST BREAKDOWN

### SHOREVIEW SCHOOL, SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA

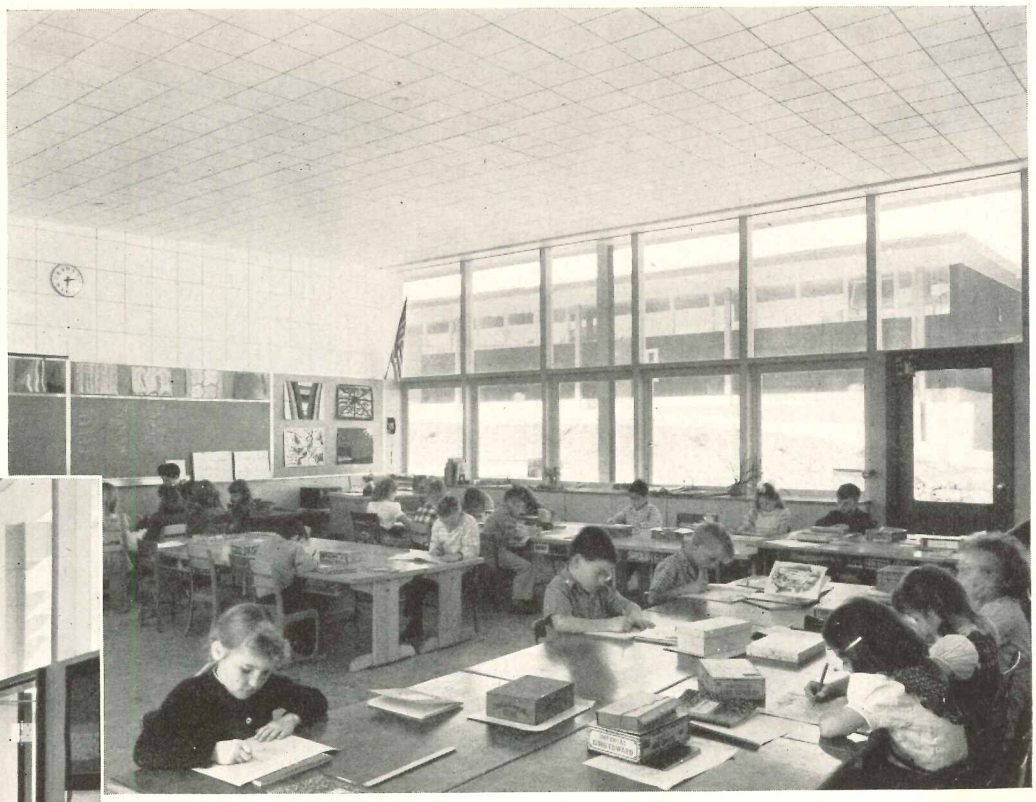
*Ernest J. Kump, Architect & Mark Falk, Engineer*

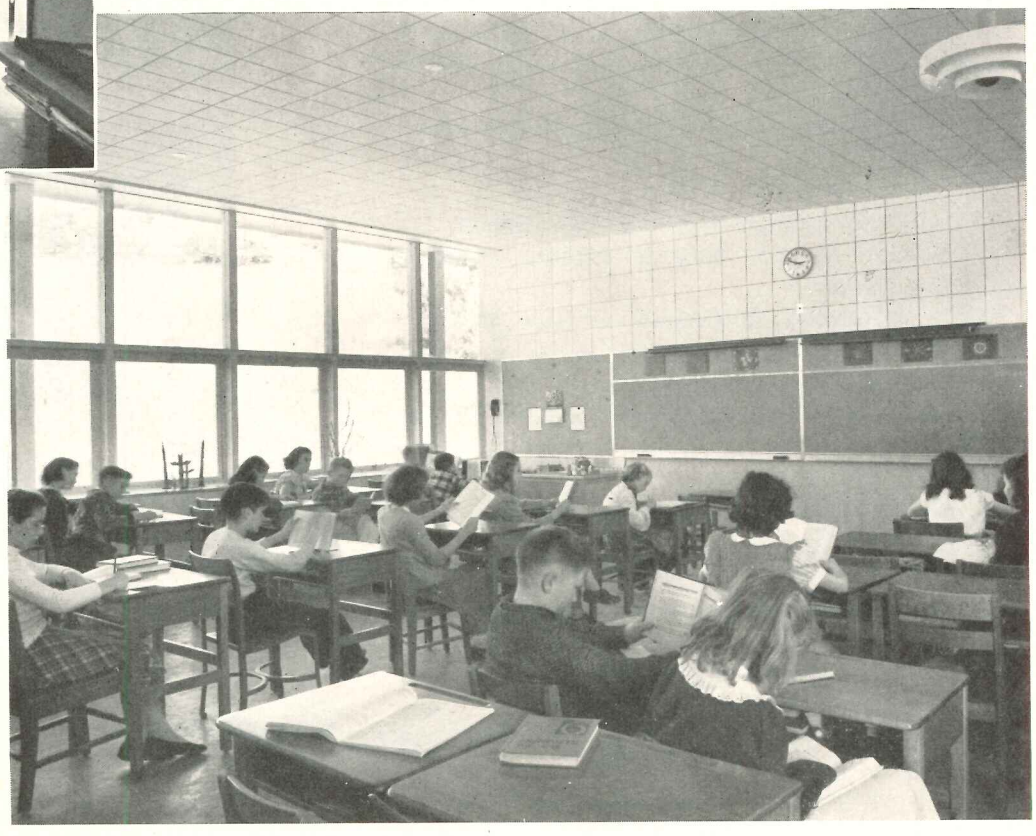
| | DIRECT COSTS | Per sq. ft. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Move on and clear | $ 110.00 | * | |
| Earthwork | 2,250.00 | $ .25 | |
| Yard paving and grading & fencing | (17,980.00) | (1.95) | |
| Concrete and cement work | 16,315.00 | 1.76 | } |
| Structural steel & misc. steel | 8,250.00 | .89 | } 4.48 |
| Carpentry, rough and framing | 16,870.00 | 1.83 | } |
| Finish carpentry and hardware | 7,075.00 | .77 | |
| Sheet metal | 3,180.00 | .34 | |
| Steel sash | 3,085.00 | .33 | |
| Roofing | 4,180.00 | .45 | |
| Lathing & plastering | 2,235.00 | .24 | |
| Glass and glazing | 3,965.00 | .43 | |
| Metal stall partitions | 1,260.00 | .14 | |
| Chalkboard and tackboard | 4,840.00 | .52 | |
| Painting | 2,985.00 | .32 | |
| Asphalt tile flooring | 2,290.00 | .25 | |
| Insulation | 60.00 | * | |
| Bike racks | 330.00 | * | |
| Plumbing | 5,810.00 | .63 | } |
| Heating | 7,845.00 | .85 | } 2.15 |
| Electrical | 6,110.00 | .67 | } |
| Clean up and move off | 460.00 | * | |
| Miscellaneous* | | .07 | |
| TOTAL | $117,485.00 | $12.69 | |
| | **INDIRECT COSTS** | | |
| Office overhead, insurances, sales taxes, bonds, field overhead, superintendence and supervision | $12,635.00 | $1.37 | |
| | **PROFIT** | | |
| 15% on labor and material | $ 6,350.00 | | |
| 7½% on sub-contracts | 5,635.00 | | |
| | $11,985.00 | $1.30 | |
| TOTAL | $142,105.00 | $15.36 | |






costs of both construction and equipment, not forgetting the items not subject to control — grading, for example, or foundations on a difficult site. The firm reports that much educational effort is frequently required, as lay citizens are inclined to think of the building shell itself as the costly thing, forgetting the many by-paths of a real search for savings. Kump's brief-case usually contains, therefore, a sheaf of cost data sheets, including actual cost breakdowns for finished schools, tabulated lists of specification items arranged by relative costs, and so on. One example is given above: a breakdown for the Shoreview school, San Mateo (ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, March, 1949). Notice, for example, that chalkboards and tackboards cost more





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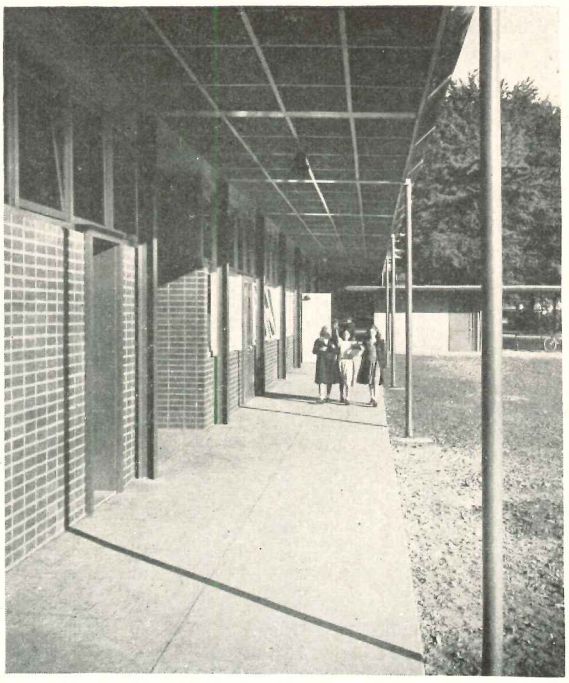
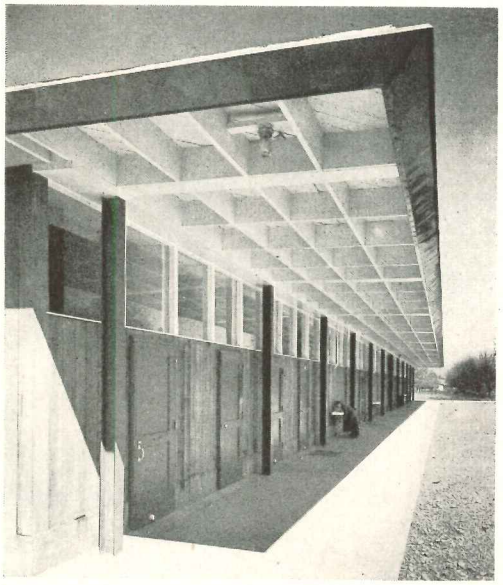
than half as much as structural steel, yard work twice as much as steel work and more than all rough carpentry. In fact yard work was the one most costly item. Indirect costs of overhead were the fourth largest item, followed by contractors' profits.

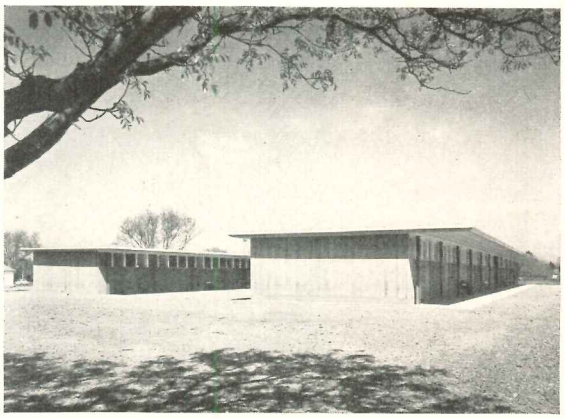
As for Arundel, the architects have compiled a list of ways in which costs were kept down:

1. No covers (roofs) over the cross-connecting corridors.
2. Underside of the corridor along the building is unfinished, exposed, painted structural timber.
3. Building has concrete slab on fill. There is no under-floor space.
4. Foundations largely on rock, low foundation design cost.
5. Exterior siding applied directly to studs. No sheathing underneath the siding.
6. Studs themselves form window mullions.
7. Less than one-half glass in operable sash. More than one-half glass fixed with stops to studs.
8. Interior finish all plywood.
9. Ceiling finished with fiberboard tile.
10. Less expensive grades and colors used for asphalt tile floor.
11. Conduits only for public address system.
12. "B" grade window glass double strength, rather than plate glass.
13. Wood sash.
14. Floor mounted toilets, rather than wall-hung.
15. Plaster finish in toilet rooms.
16. Cement floors in toilet rooms.
17. High ratio of usable classroom space to auxiliary space, efficiency in space planning.
18. Standby classroom lighting only. (Classrooms completely wired, but only one-third of the fixtures installed.)
19. Main cabinet work of Douglas fir, rather than of hardwoods.
20. No exterior stucco or brick.
21. Only one structural frame used throughout.
22. Asphalt concrete floor in exterior corridors, rather than cement.
23. No guttering, downspouts or rain leaders — simple drainage system.
24. Birch sink tops and splash backs.
25. Standardized pre-fabricated chalkboards and tackboards.
26. Flat, built-up roof.
27. Use of stain on redwood exterior finish.
28. Radiant floor panel heating.
29. Natural ventilation, no forced air system.
30. No expensive special rooms — cafeteria, music room, etc.
31. Playground equipment not included.
32. Readily available utilities.
33. Convenient location of job in relation to labor and material supply.
34. Mild climatic conditions; year-round construction; no insulation necessary in the exterior walls.



*Below: Moorpark School, Campbell, Cal.*





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## LOW-COST SCHOOLS

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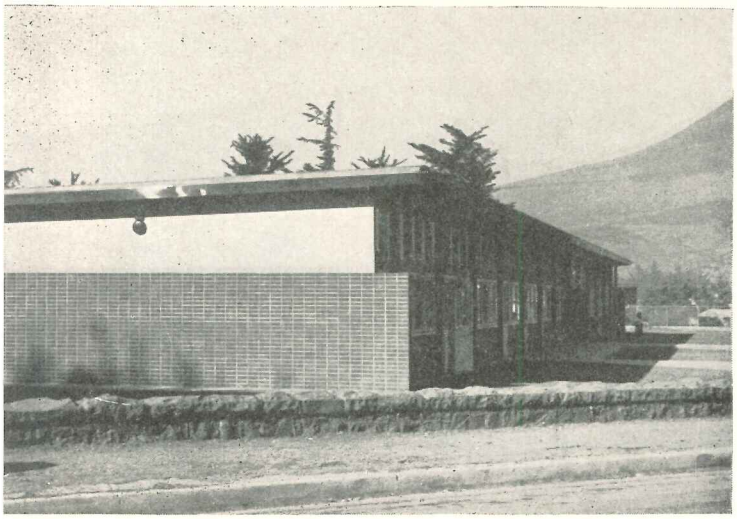
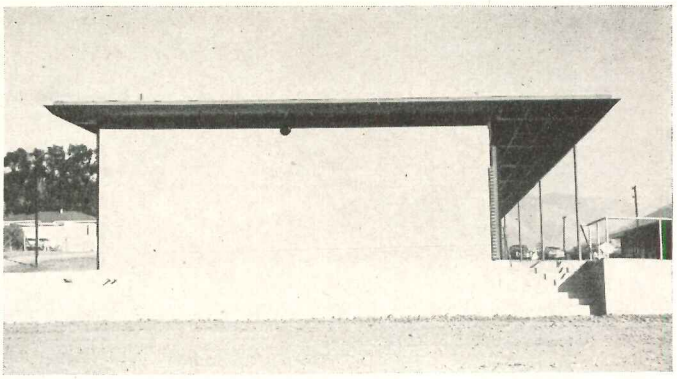
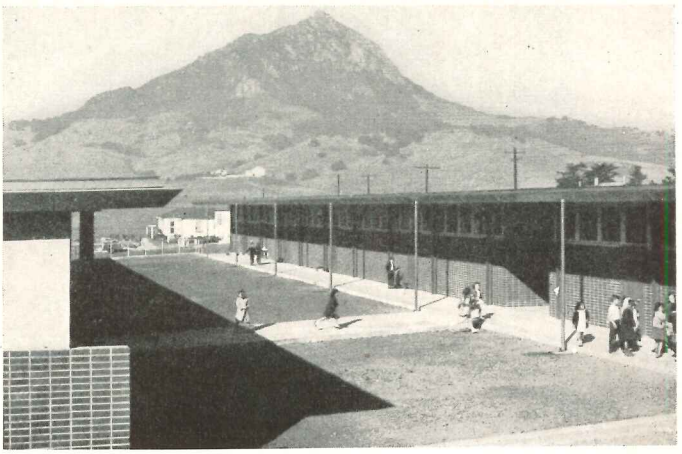
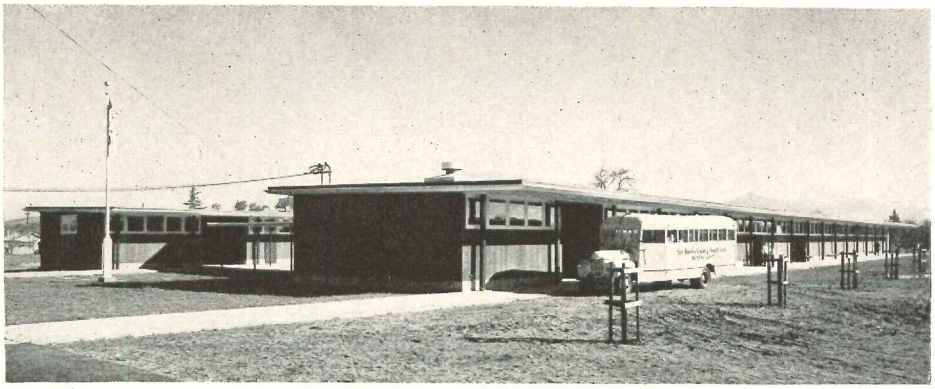






*Above and left: Emerson School, San Luis Obispo, Cal.*

*Right: Two views, Teach School, San Luis Obispo, Cal.*



*P. O. Hardin School, Hollister, Cal.*

*Below: two views of the Eliot School, Gilroy, Cal.*

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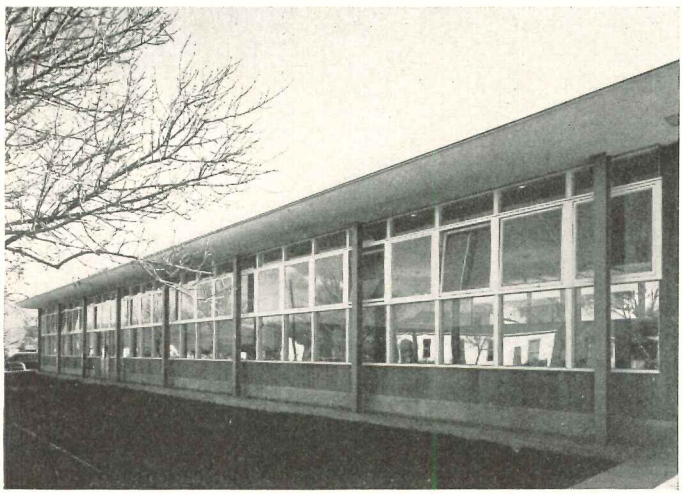

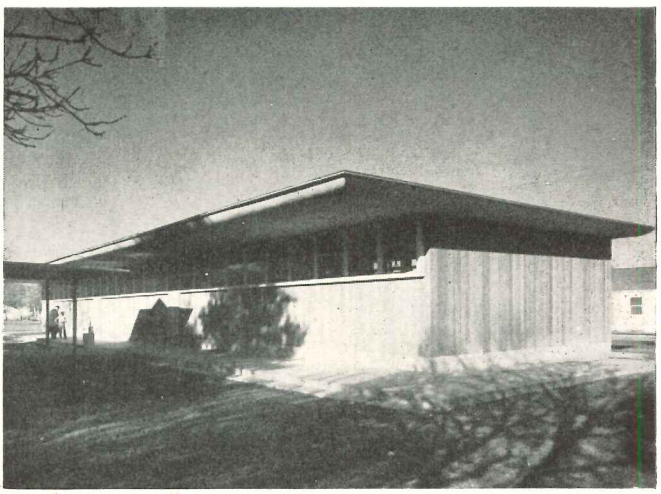

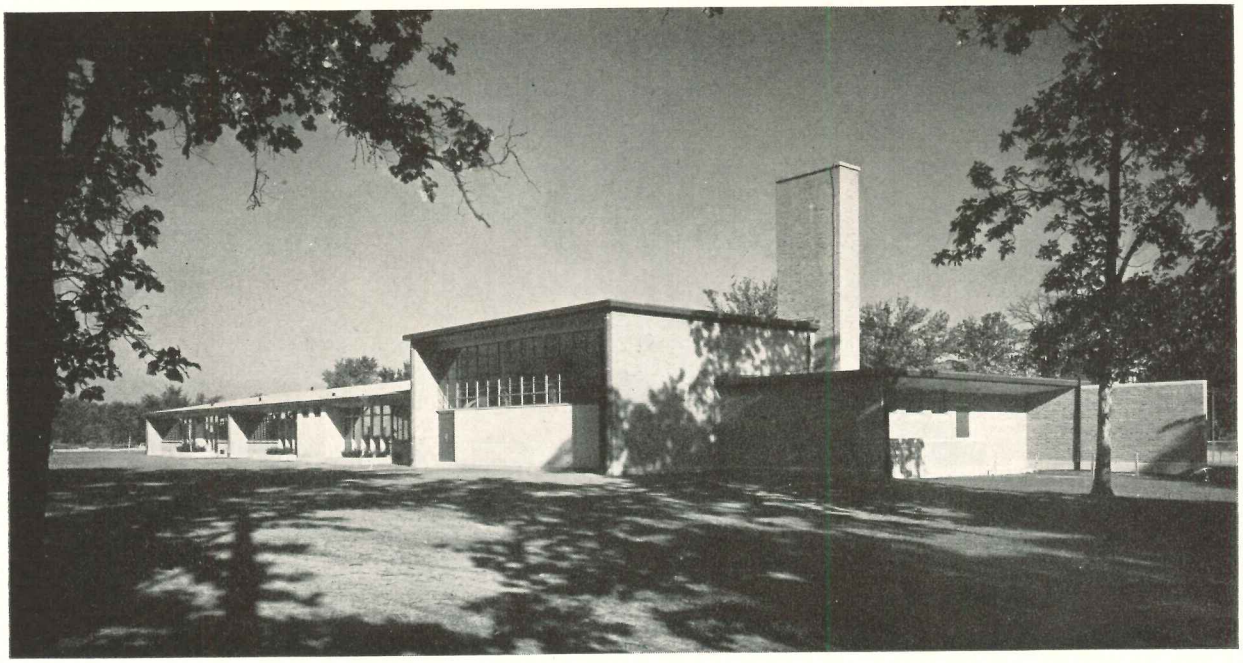

# "MODEL FOR OUR LOW-COST SCHOOLS"

Deerfield Primary School, Deerfield, Ill.

*Perkins & Will, Architects-Engineers*

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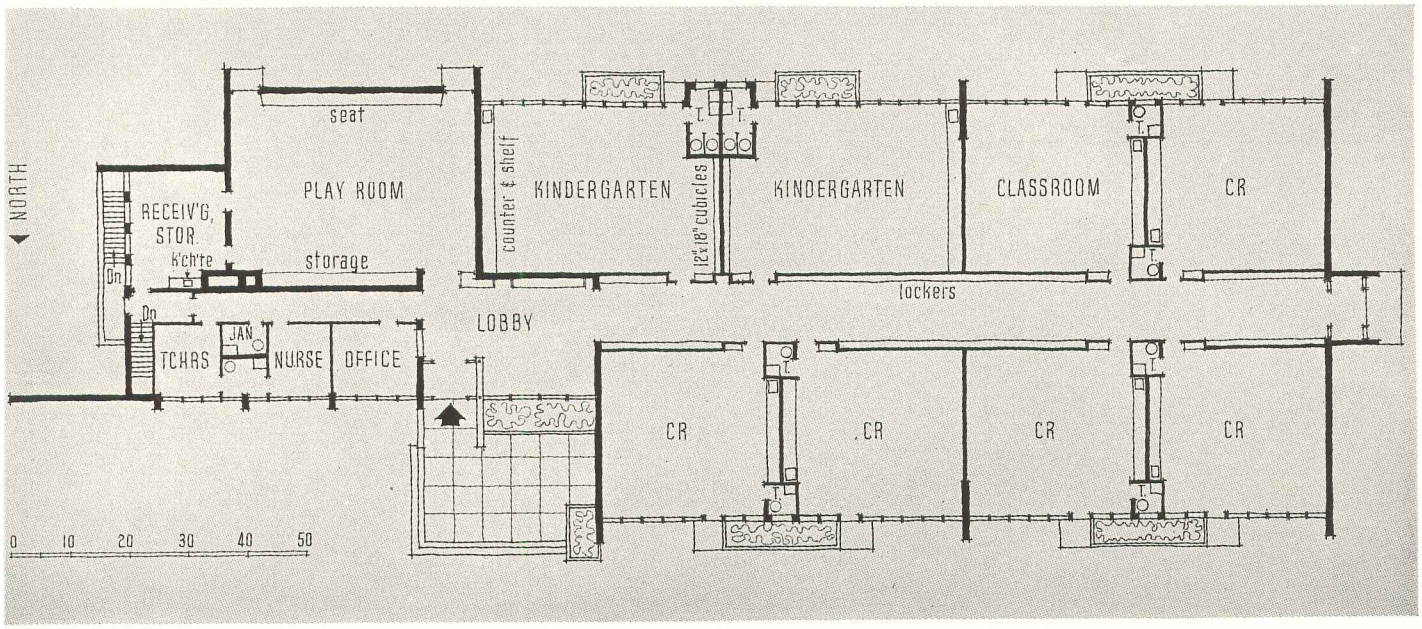
THE ARCHITECTS give this Deerfield school a prototype rating, for it will serve as the basic model for a great number of low-cost schools throughout the country. They do not, however, want it to be taken as a low-cost school of itself. It is rather the model for their low-cost schools.

Deerfield, bid in at the 1948 peak of building costs, ran to $15.88 a sq ft, or $1.22 per cu ft. It has some quality features — limestone trim, built-in window boxes, fire-resistant construction — which might not be considered necessary against a close budget.

Its prototype considerations lie in design features, not necessarily expensive, which represent the current Perkins & Will thought, breaking somewhat with other ideas. "We believe in sunlight, break sharply with the tendency to erect artificial barriers . . . and to reduce all color contrast in a classroom to a dull monotone."




Deerfield has floor-to-ceiling windows, for a feeling of spaciousness and for unity with outdoors, but its visors are relatively narrow. Deerfield uses much of the warm colors, even though brightness contrasts might not be just so. Painted concrete block and red brick interior partitions "broke sharply with the recent trend to insipid flat colors for 'visual comfort.' The psychological value of strong color accent and unrestrained warm sunlight is apparent."

This school is bilaterally lighted, through clerestories over a double-loaded corridor. The double corridor scheme is an economy measure; calculations indicate it saves something more than 5 per cent over single corridor plans. This type of lighting, it is pointed out, helps keep the ceiling down to a child scale.

Square classrooms here are also current favorites of the architects. There is a long utility workbench, with

sink, which is a saver of space. It is found that children concentrating on work projects here seldom bother their classmates who are focussing on the chalkboard at the opposite side of the room. There is no space in the classroom for clothing, as this space is considered too usable. Deerfield uses lockers in the corridor.

In a school of this size (kindergarten and six grades) the playroom-cafeteria combination seems to work well, though the architects are quick to assert the difficulties of combining real gymnasium and auditorium needs. Here, with storage room readily accessible, teachers have become quite expert at quick changes in the multi-use room. Children at Deerfield bring their own lunches;

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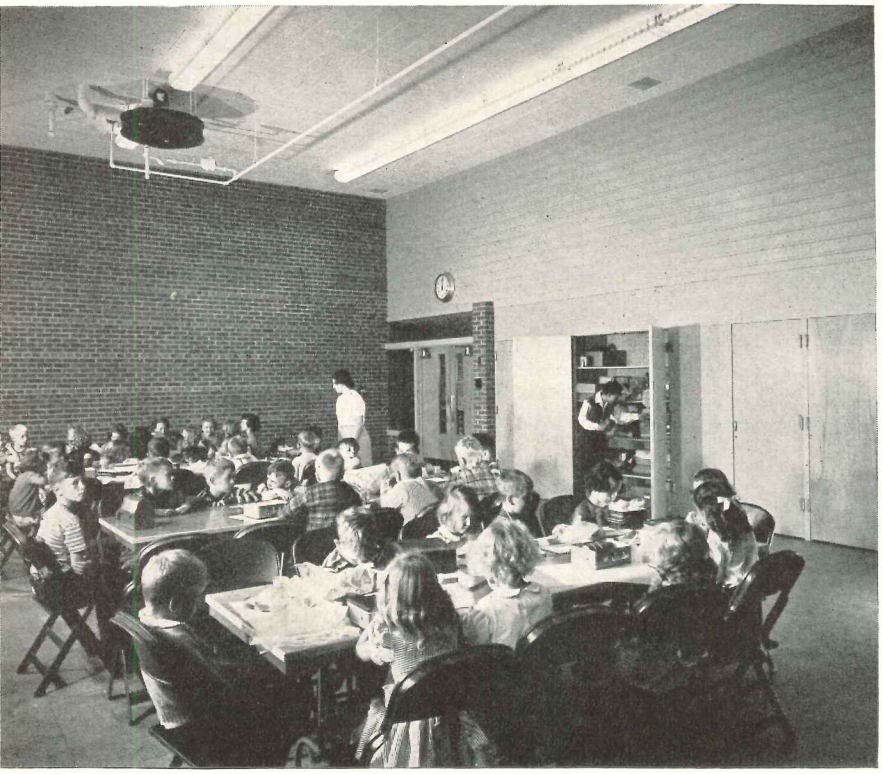
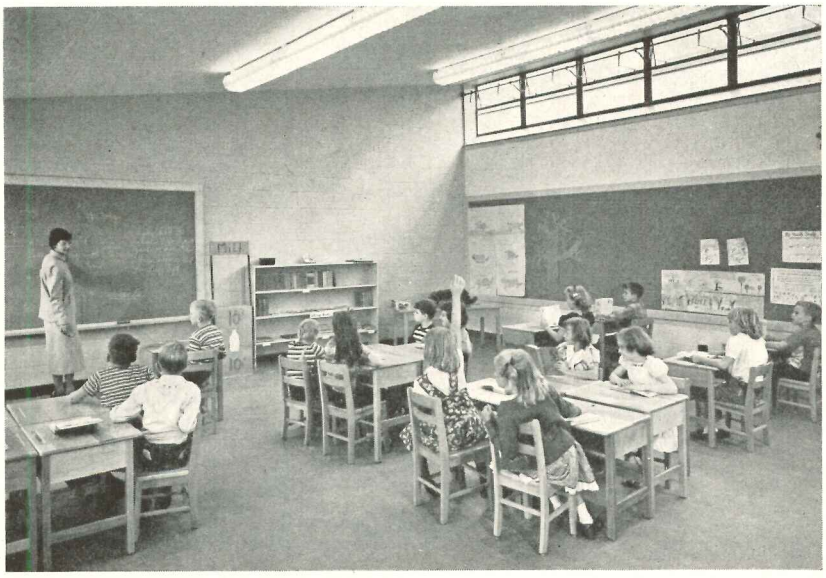


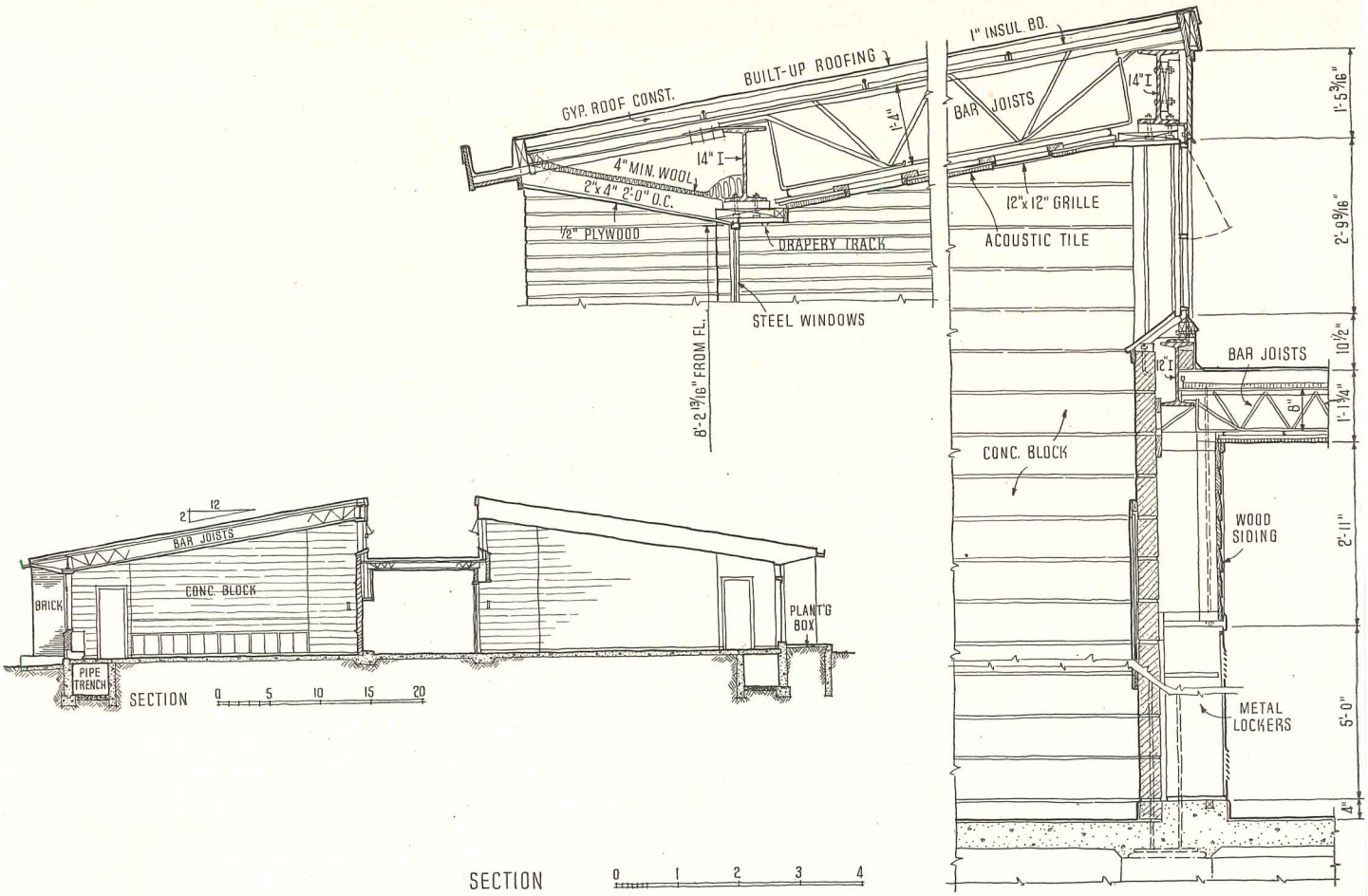
kitchen facilities are needed only for teachers' use, for serving milk and ice cream to children, or perhaps for small community gatherings.

Deerfield also stresses the outdoor classroom, and has large planting boxes for an additional tie between indoors and outdoors. The outdoor classroom rates high in the thinking that makes Deerfield a prototype school.

Many of its standards of construction could be cut down if necessary to meet budgetary requirements, but the basic elements that make this school a pattern are not essentially matters of costs. Its auxiliary spaces are about at the minimum. They would have to be enlarged considerably if, say, seventh and eighth grades were added in another program. Central toilets would be required, more sports facilities, and more serving facilities. The architects express the feeling, however, that for a "K-6" type of school, Deerfield represents their starting point for similar assignments.

*Typical classrooms at Deerfield have floor-to-ceiling windows in at least part of one side, clerestory over the corridor on the other. They have a long activity bench on one transverse wall (far right, center), chalkboard on the other, tackboard under the clerestory windows. Clothing is kept in corridor lockers, to keep wall space free*






*Clerestory lighting over a double-loaded corridor (details above) help keep ceilings down to child scale. Planting boxes join indoor and outdoor classrooms*

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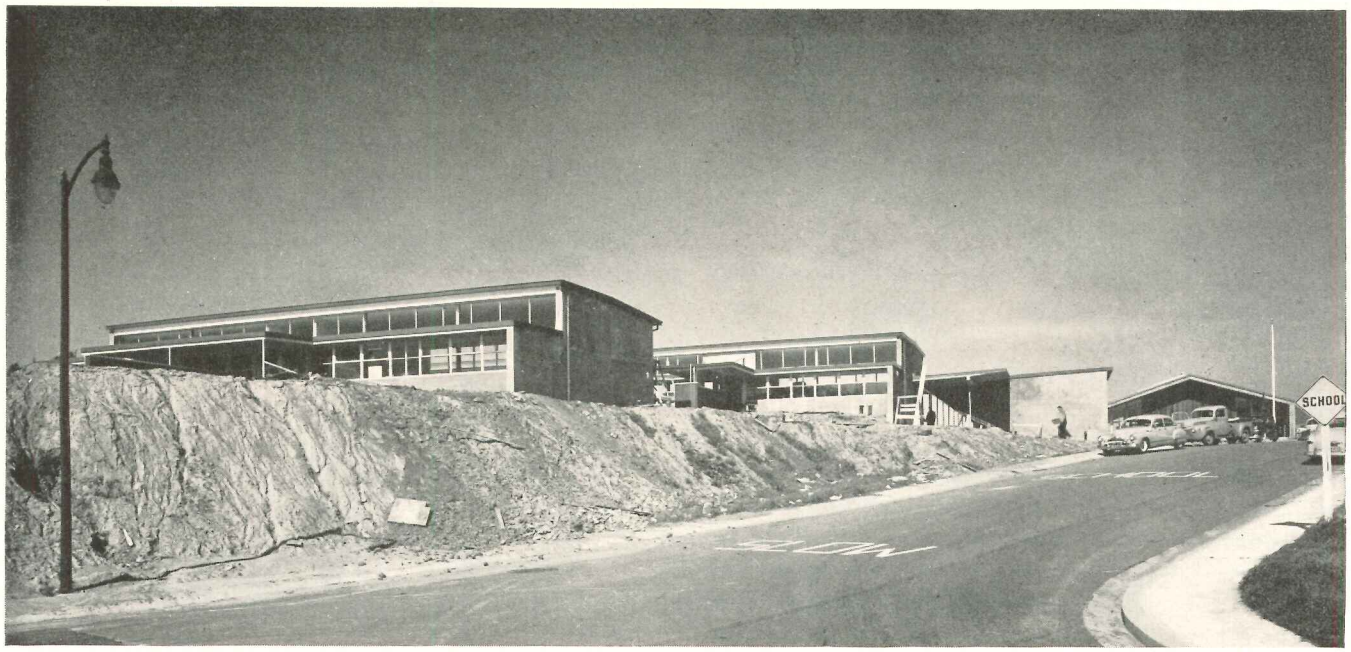


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# DEEPER CLASSROOMS YIELD ECONOMIES

Buri-Buri Elementary School, South San Francisco, Cal.

***Bamberger & Reid, Architects***

THOUGH THIS school is here presented somewhat sketchily, being still unfinished, its economy ideas are worthy of immediate inclusion. Interestingly, Mr. Reid's pursuit of savings checks generally with some others in this study, but they were arrived at independently and applied differently.

Buri-Buri is one of four similar schools (others are Los Cerritos, Martin and Southwood-Brentwood) for South San Francisco, a suburban town whose population has tripled since before the war. Its square foot cost of $9.05 puts it in the low-cost class, but this figure includes a mechanical plant large enough for an expanded program, and thus does not truly measure its planning economy.

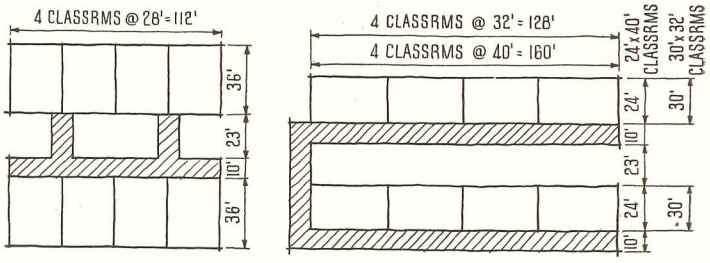
Most noteworthy of the economy ideas are:

1. Shortening outside wall by deepening classrooms.
2. An ingenious corridor scheme to save corridor cost.
3. Inexpensive framing for the increased depth.
4. Construction economy in general.
5. Multi-purpose room designed "for everything but midget auto racing," which slides its stage under the heater room.

Reid keeps to the daylight concept, with bilateral lighting and clerestory, and single loaded corridor, and manages it most economically.

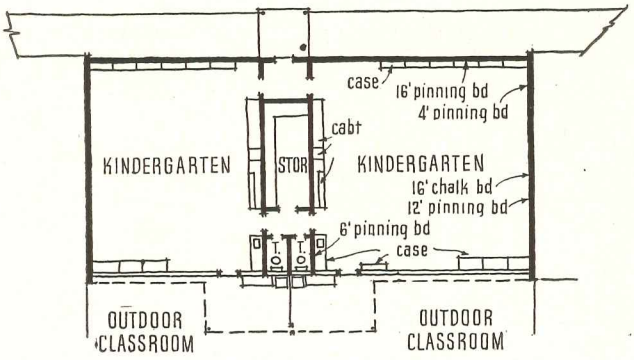
The classroom dimensions are 28 ft in "length" by 35 ft in depth. The 28 ft compares with 32 and 40 ft, both much used in California. The shortening of the outside wall is, then, quite considerable, a saving in window construction in both the outside walls and clerestory. There is a corresponding shortening of corridors.

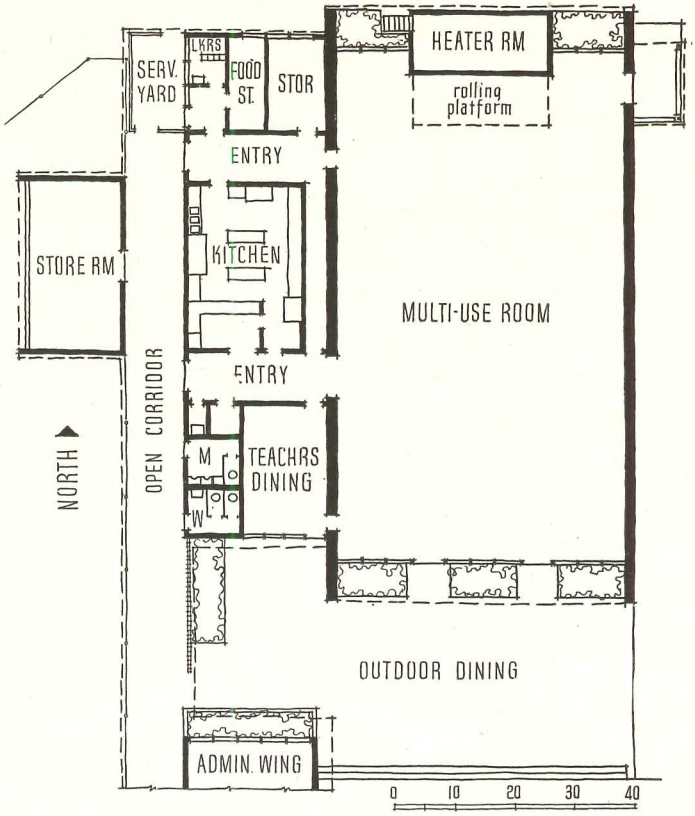
Buri-Buri uses a single corridor for two rows of classrooms, with a short cross corridor to each two rooms in the second row (see diagram below). As the tabulation




| | Buri-Buri | 24x40 Classrooms | 30x32 Classrooms |
|---|---|---|---|
| Total corridor length | 158 | 387 | 331 |
| Total areas* (sq ft) | 9260 | 11550 | 10990 |
| Bldg. area per pupil | 38.6 | 47.9 | 45.8 |
| Relative costs † | $76,653. | $87,015. | $84,481. |
| Bldg. cost per pupil | $319. | $363. | $352. |

** All classrooms 960 sq ft; all corridors 10 ft wide.*
*† Sq ft cost of Buri-Buri, $9.05 per sq ft, used for all corridors at half of bldg. cost.*




shows, the saving amounts to from 52 to 60 per cent of total corridor length, a substantial cut in this non-productive space. Not indicated in the diagram is another idea — the corridor is not directly against the building; it is set out by the width of the roof overhang, to let light in for a slightly deeper window, and to simplify the structural system.

As for the structural system, the architect reports, "Our office has used lightweight steel joists and structural steel construction because we are fully convinced of its economy. The economy, however, is dependent on structural design. Our design uses a complete steel skeleton, which means that when foundations are prepared the steel may be erected without overlapping other crafts. The steel on this project required about two and a half days for erection, so that there is an economy in time as well as cost."

The multi-purpose room at Buri-Buri is exceptionally ambitious, with full kitchen facilities, rolling stage, fold-away tables, motion picture provisions. It is intended for heavy community use in a burgeoning town now almost without any recreational facilities. A cubage-saving idea was the elevation of the heater room to permit the stage to roll under it — the stage area adds nothing to the room dimensions.

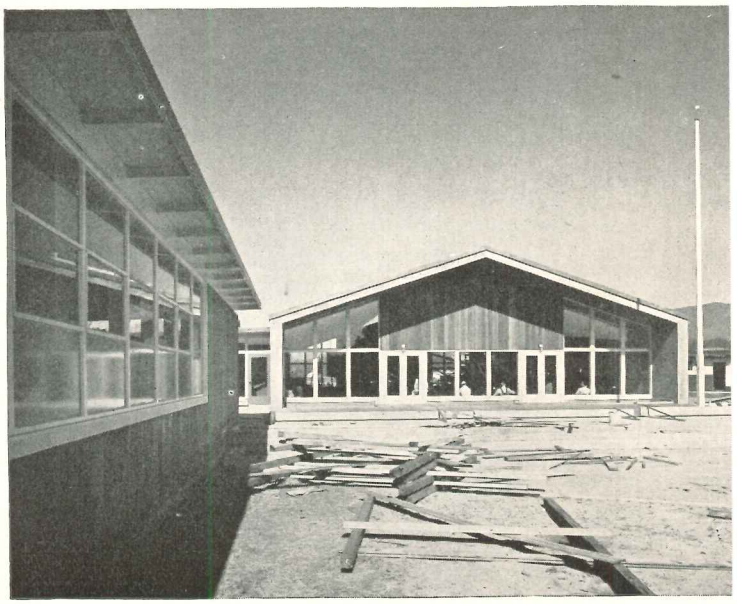
Construction economy crops up in many details. Exterior siding is redwood, treated with a natural stain. Interior finish of classrooms is plywood, with a single cost of stained wax. Classroom cabinets and casework are movable; they are painted in different brilliant primary colors.

Radiant heating is used in classroom and office areas. Multi-purpose room has a warm air system providing both ventilation and separate control for night use.

Reid joins with some other architects (in this study) in allowing some sunlight to enter classrooms. Sunlight is kept out of study areas, however, by louvers in the clerestory and visors over other windows. Clerestory louvers are of stainless steel. Simplicity of design kept them quite inexpensive ($1.20 per sq ft of vertical surface), and the stainless steel has zero maintenance cost. Glare reducing glass is used in lower panes of north windows, to eliminate brightness contrast between north sky and chalkboards. Outdoor classrooms are located to the south, for full sunlight and for protection against the chill winds of the San Francisco climate.

*Multi-purpose room is a separate building, really a community building, with full kitchen facilities. It serves a fast-growing community, where recreational facilities are needed as badly as schools*

*Exterior of multi-purpose room (under construction)*



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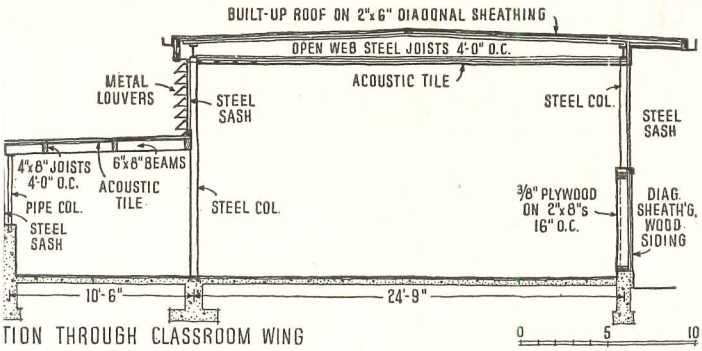


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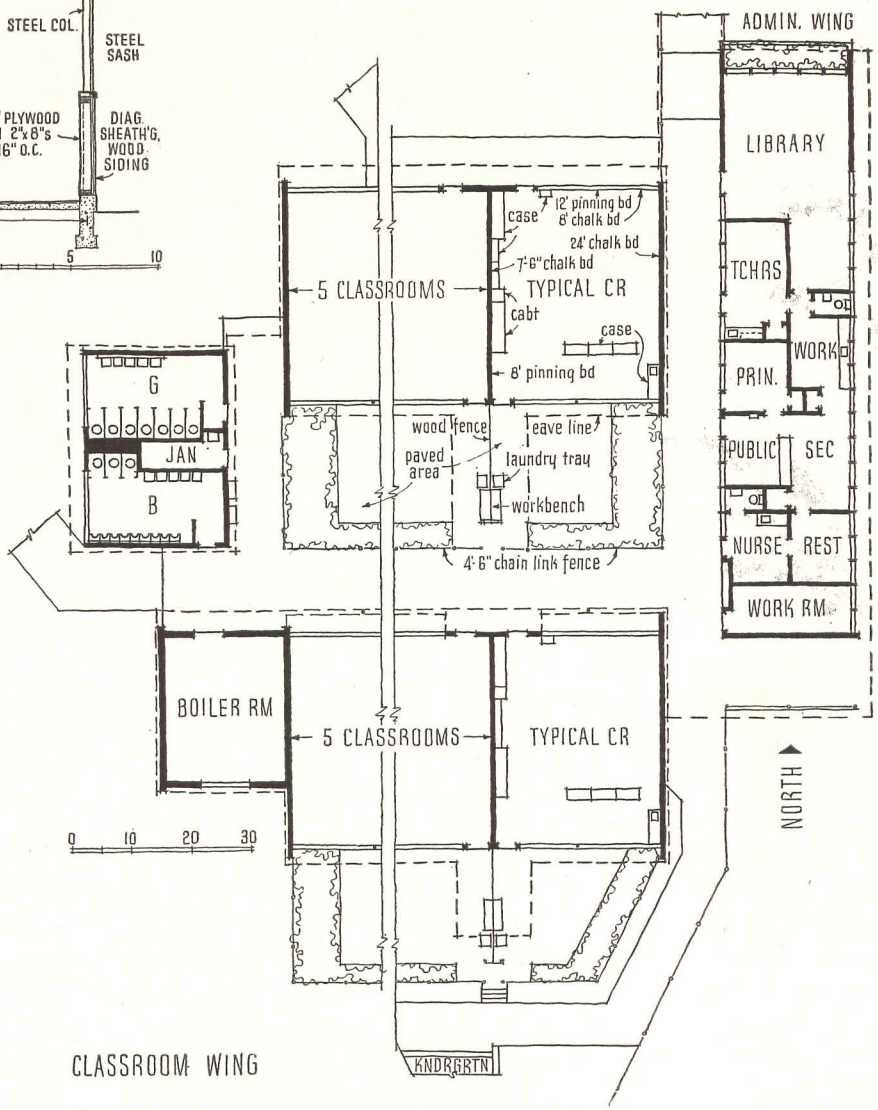
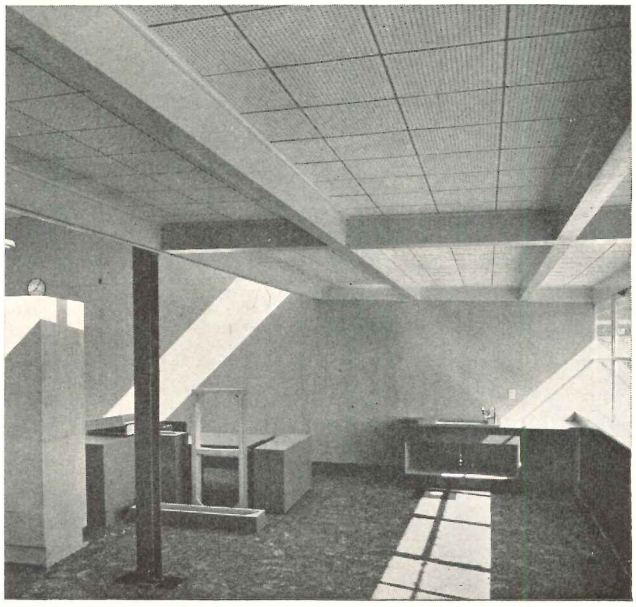


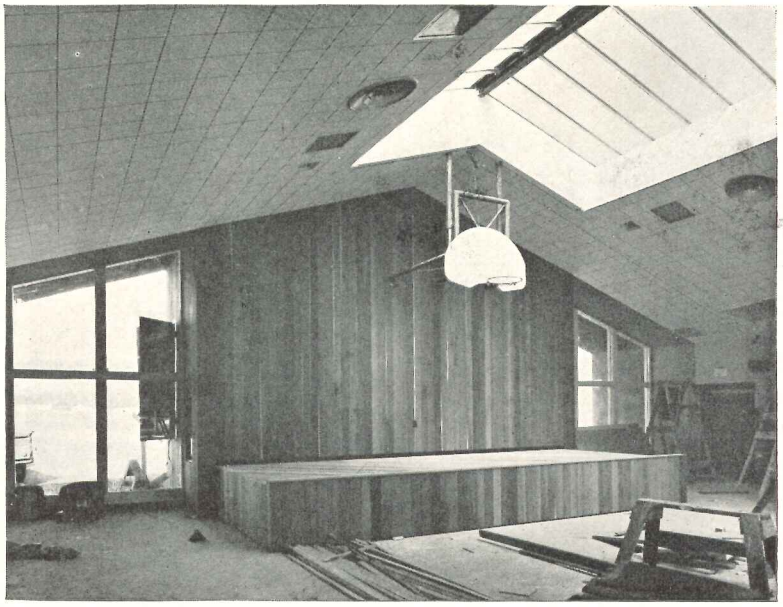

CLASSROOM WING

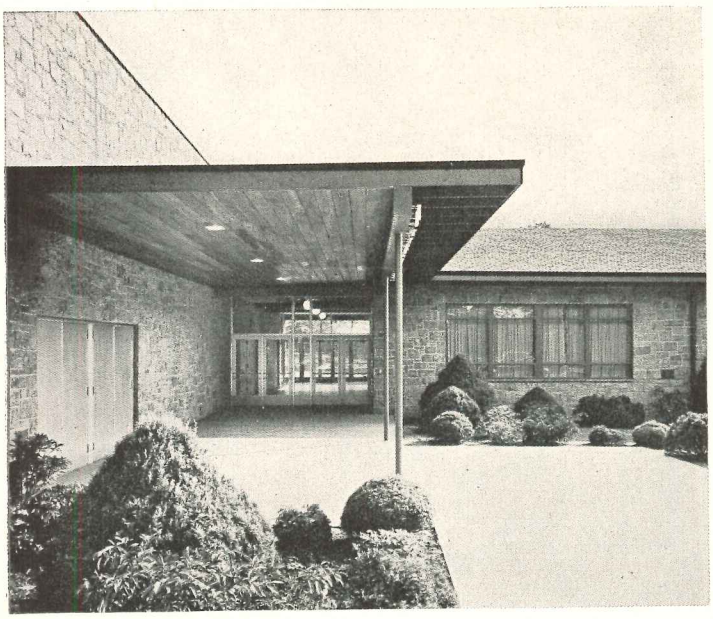
*Plan shows total program for Buri-Buri; for the present only one classroom wing has been built; kindergarten, administration wing and community building ready for full program*

*Classroom interior, in almost-complete stage*



*Stage in multi-purpose room rolls under raised heater room*





# PROTOTYPE FOR A QUALITY SCHOOL

Transfiguration School, Tarrytown, N. Y.

*Robert A. Green, Architect*

ALTHOUGH not necessarily a "prototype" in the sense that it will be duplicated, this school is the direct result of a pilot search for design economy in schools for the current crop of elementary school youngsters. The Archdiocese of New York picked a test location, and deliberately chose an architect who had already been working along economy lines.

The bid figures were such pleasant news that the final plans were revised upward, not downward.

The program did not call for a minimum school, but rather for a maximum effort at eliminating the extras in the cost figures. Stone facing and slate roof, for example, could have been left off. And the school is well equipped, including such items as stainless steel kitchen work surfaces. The contract cost of the building was $252,800, or 71¢ a cubic foot. The Archdiocese figures this to represent "a saving of 33 per cent in comparison with the typical type of school construction."

The architect's early precepts are given thus:

"1. Eliminate the costly architectural embellishments.

"2. Eliminate all plastering and as much millwork as possible — two costly trades.

"3. Use an inexpensive yet quickly constructed frame.

"4. Standardize wherever possible — i.e., one type of door for all interior openings, one type of exterior window for all rooms, etc.

"5. Finally, the design and construction should be such as to blend harmoniously with the adjacent properties and, while low-cost was the watchword, we could not make the basic mistake of developing a unit which would be apt to disintegrate or be costly to maintain as it grew older."

The architect added a further principle to his list, one he reports to have been quite effective in this school. That is to design for the contractor, for fast construction. Don't be afraid to ask a contractor for pointers. The stonework here, for example, is actually an added veneer. It would be nice to think of it as sharing the structural load, but it doesn't; it was put on later than the concrete block, because that was cheaper.

The building was designed as a wall-bearing structure of hollow, textured concrete blocks (expanded slag is the coarse aggregate), with interior face exposed as the classroom wall. Corridor walls use the same blocks, with glass block borrowed lights, all unplastered and unpainted.

The floor system uses filler blocks with precast concrete joists, 11 ft. 6 in. in length, bearing on the block at outside bearing walls, and on 14-in. I-beams at the center of the classroom and corridor bearing walls.

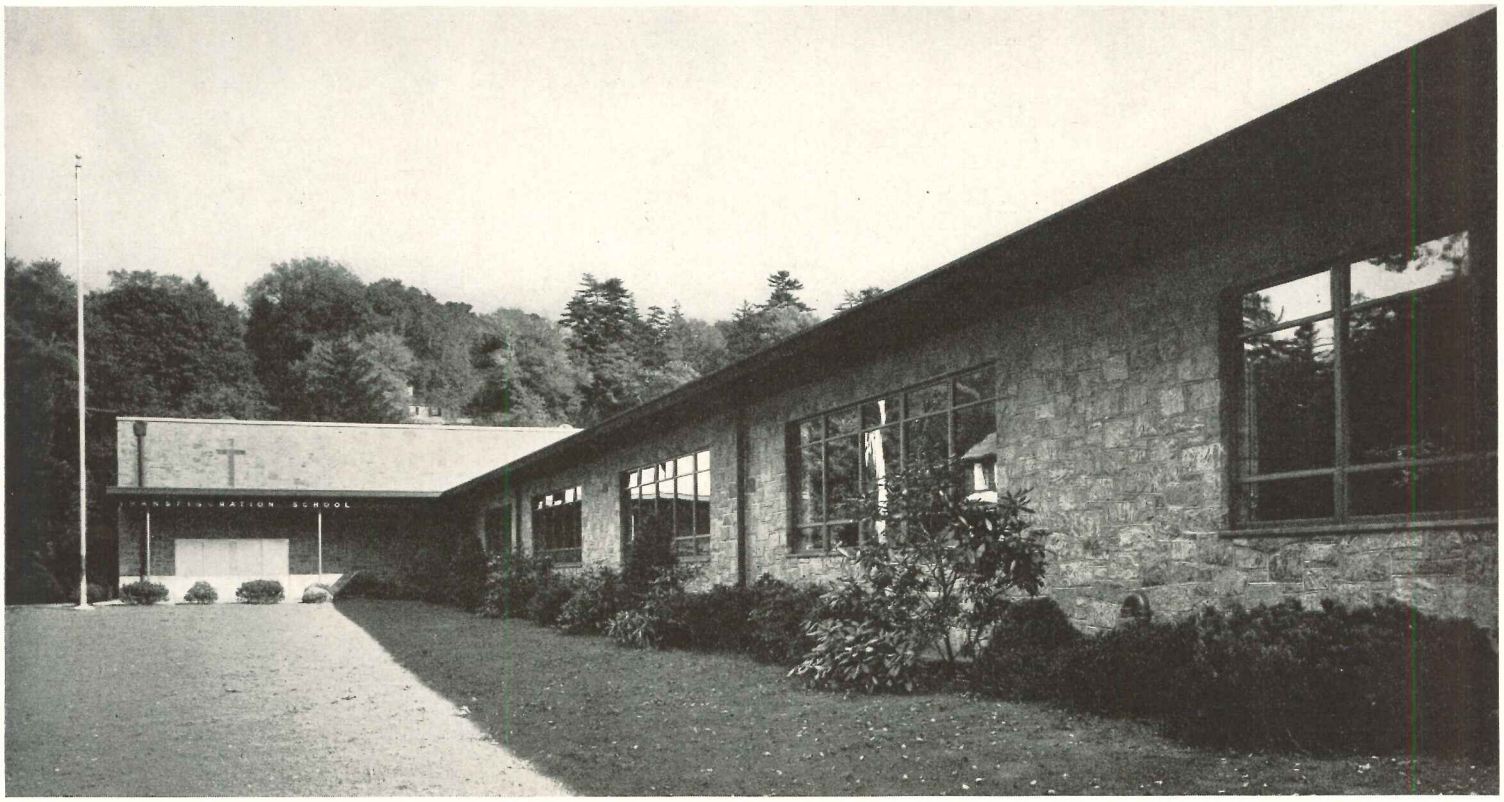
Wooden roof trusses (1 to 3 pitch) also made for simple, fast construction. Wood furring strips were attached directly to the trusses, for 12 by 12 in. acoustical tile. All electrical conduit is run in this attic space, to save cutting into concrete blocks. Lighting fixtures for all classrooms are concentric ring, incandescents.

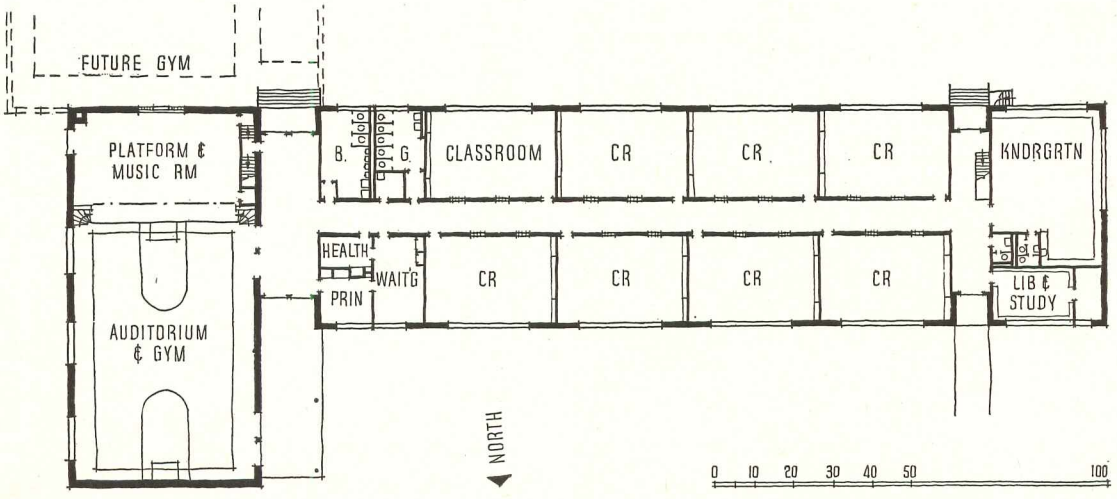
It was early decided that there would be no attempt at sufficient daylighting for full normal needs. The archi-

tect explains that complicated framing for clerestory lighting and large window areas would not be possible with the simple construction system that was sought.

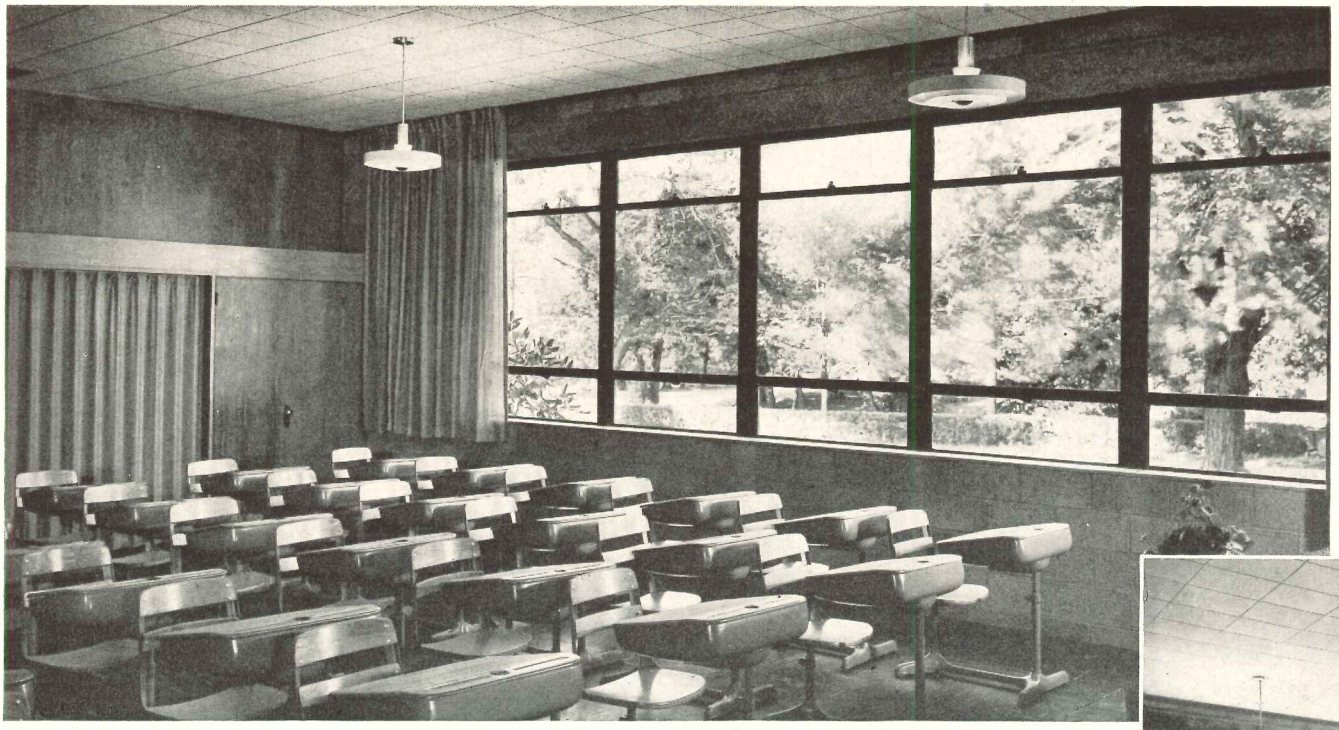
The New York Archdiocese shows every sign of great pride in this school, and it is constantly visited by representatives of other parishes. The Archdiocese is watching it closely in operating, and will continue to use it for study.

James Vincent

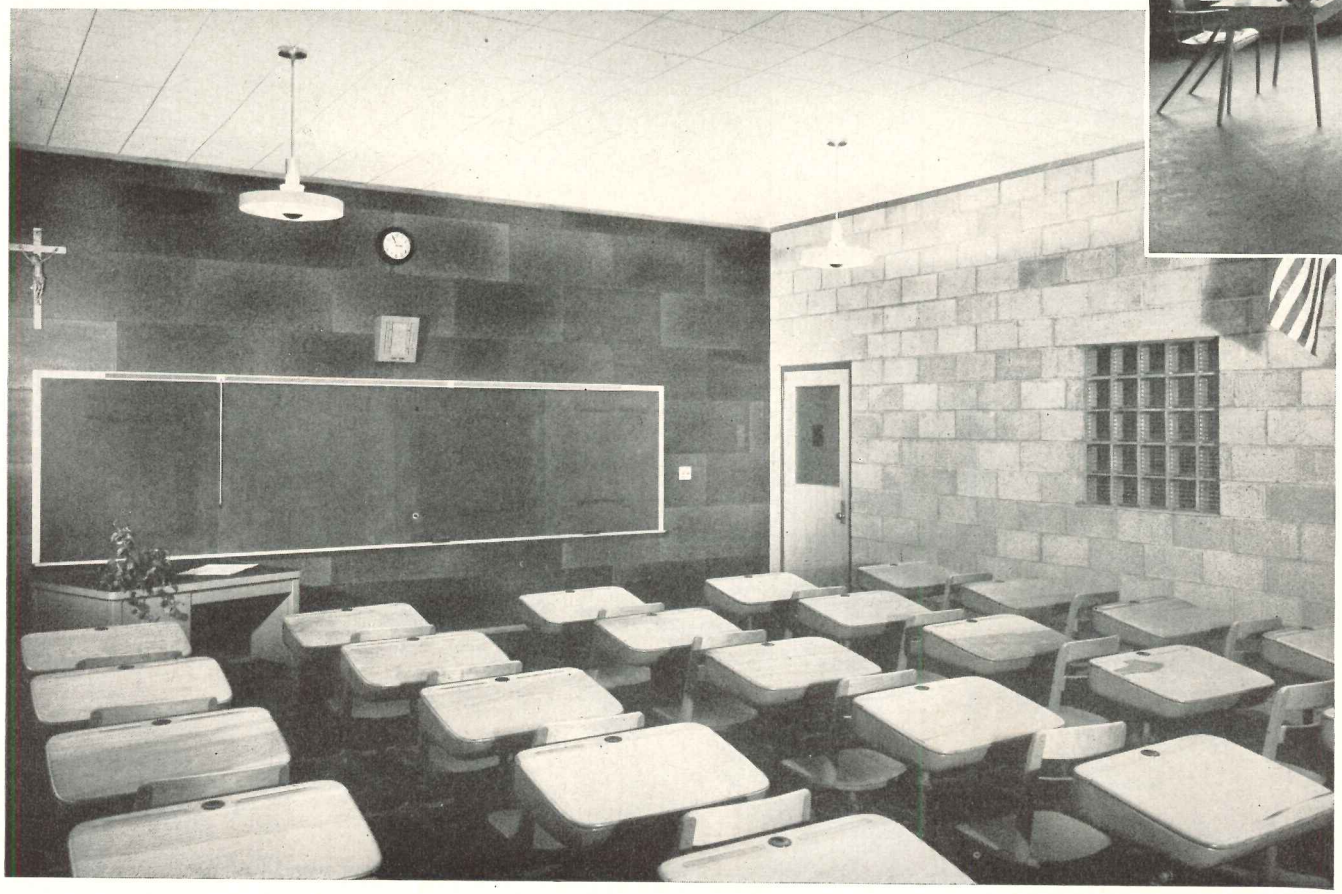





*There is basement space under auditorium stage for boiler room and locker room, under kindergarten for kitchen and cafeteria*



*Classrooms have more warmth and color than the camera can show. Corkboard front wall (below) is quite warm in tone, as is also the plywood finish of rear wall (above). The fold door in rear wall screens wardrobe; teacher's cabinets on either side. While windows are designed for a very open outlook, they are not relied on for full lighting*



*Transfiguration School uses combination gymnasium-auditorium for the present, but plans call for separate, larger gym at a later stage. Space under stage stores seats. Partial basement under stage contains boiler room and locker room with showers. Heating here, as throughout, is radiant system in floor slab*

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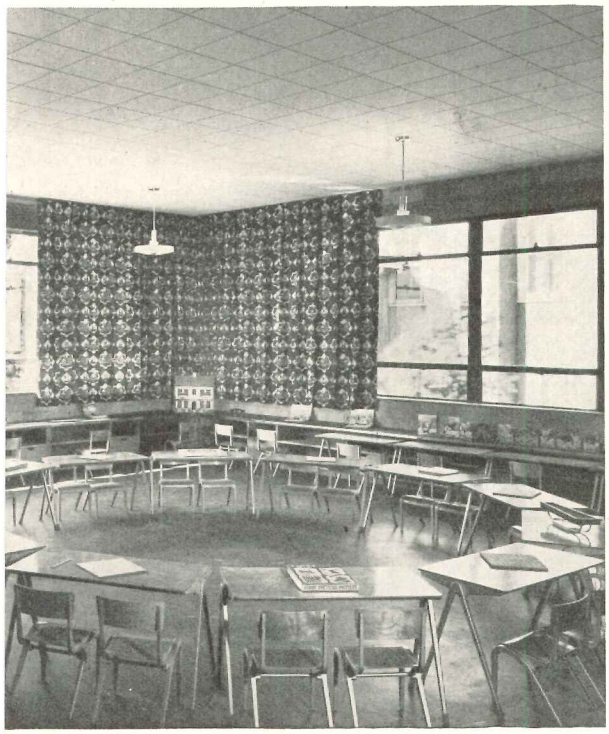
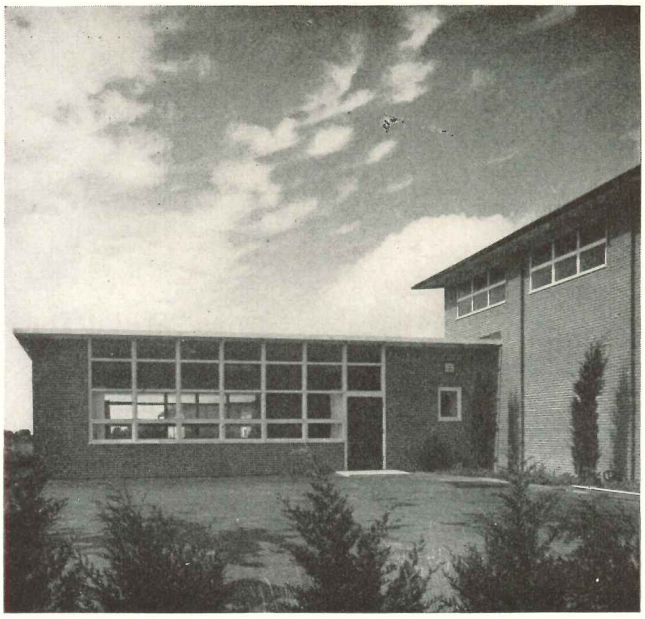


*Kindergarten (above) is open to south and west, with highly colorful drapes for sun control. Open shelving clear around the room provides plenty of storage space. Waiting room (right center) also serves as Sisters' lounge, is served by a small kitchenette. Cafeteria (right) is completely unfinished, except for a few striking color accents. This room is served by a complete kitchen*

# TYPICAL SCHOOL BUILT



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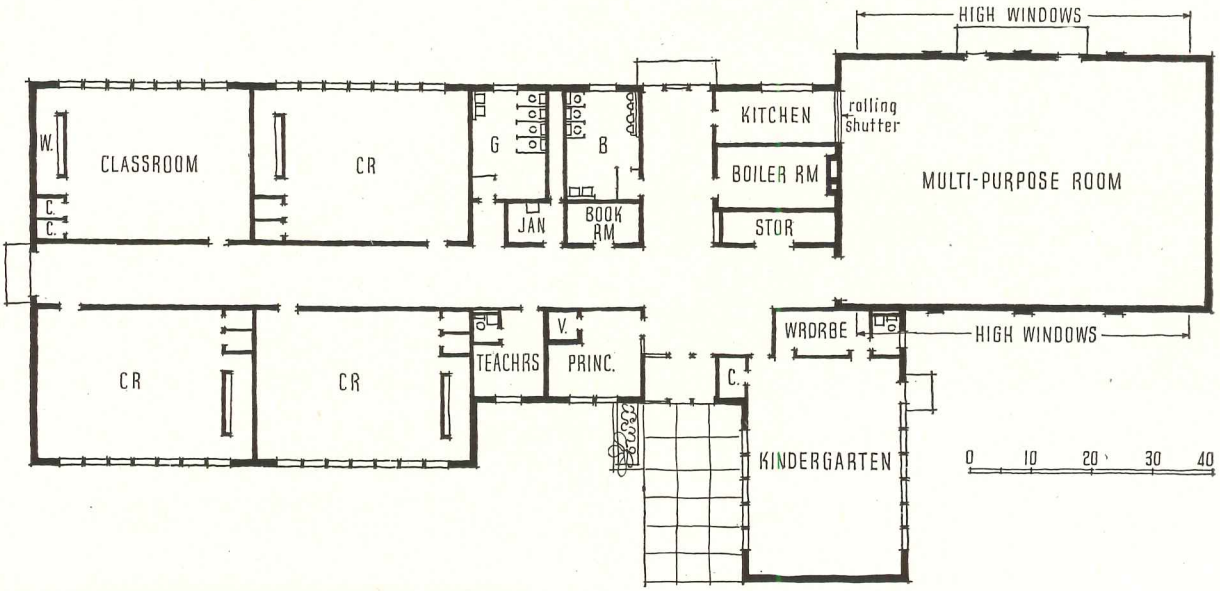
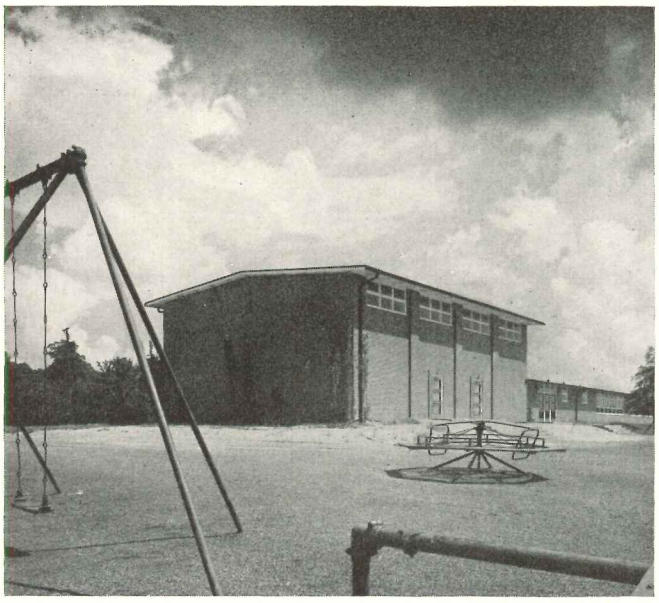
A TYPICAL school type, for a typical school situation, this one was done for non-typical costs. It represents the consolidation of three one-room schools in a fast-growing community. It begins existence with but four classrooms, but with kindergarten, multi-purpose room and mechanical plant ready for the addition of four more, altogether a typical beginning. It runs to a familiar design pattern of double-loaded corridor, with bilateral lighting via a dropped corridor height.



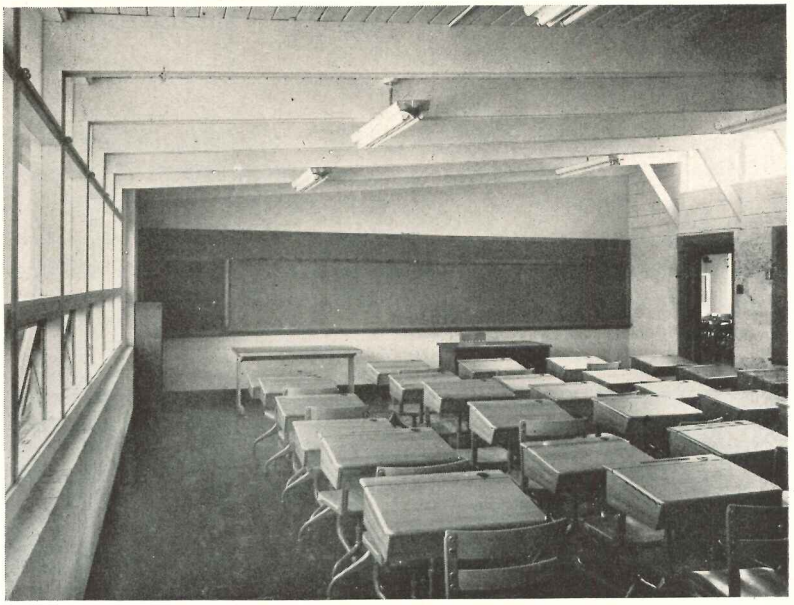
The pattern of costs, however, is more distinctive. Total cost of building was $90,951; 63¢ per cu ft; $8.00 per sq ft; $519 per pupil.

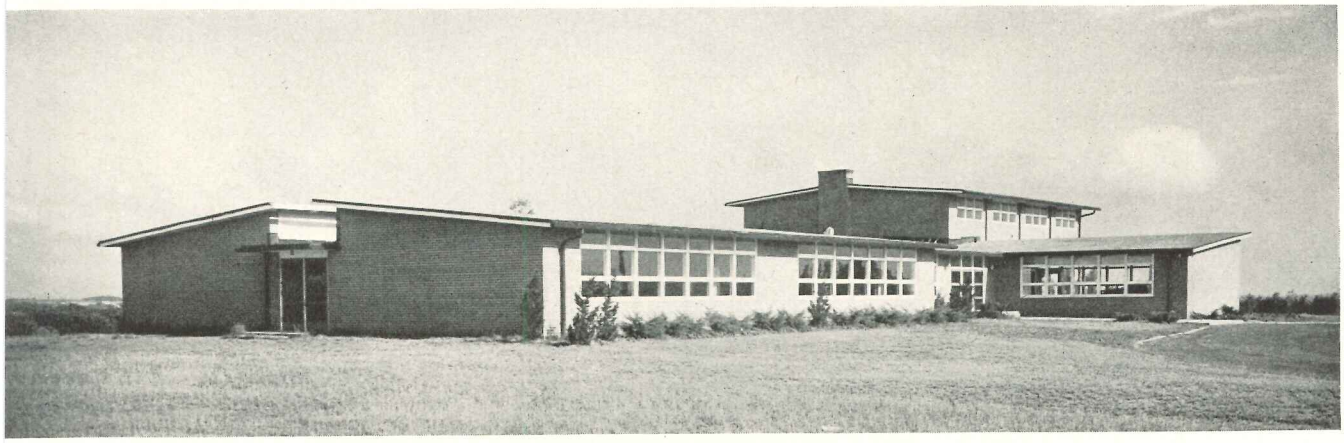
The building is constructed of a local red shale brick with concrete block backing, the block exposed on the interior. Roof construction is a built-up roof over 1-in. glass insulation board and 2 by 6 tongue and groove sheathing, which forms the ceiling. Floors are asphalt tile over a concrete slab on grade. Radiant heat was used. The site is particularly good — five acres on a superhighway location in rural surroundings.

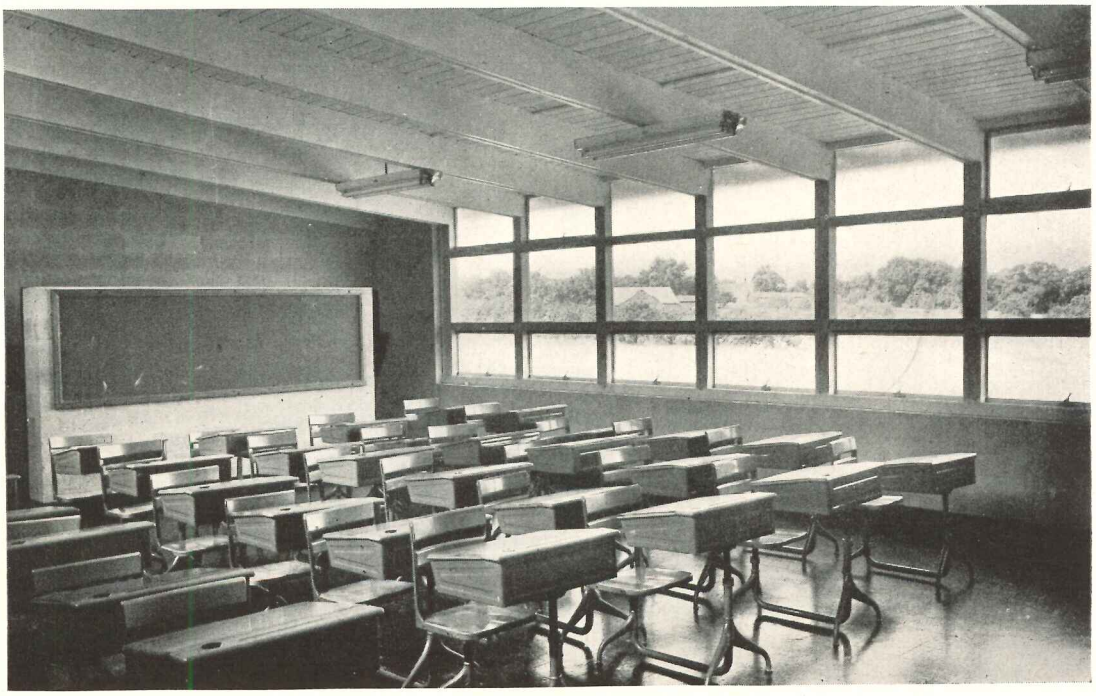
# AT LOW COST

Mason Ridge School,
St. Louis County, Mo.

*Wischmeyer & Lorenz, Architects*

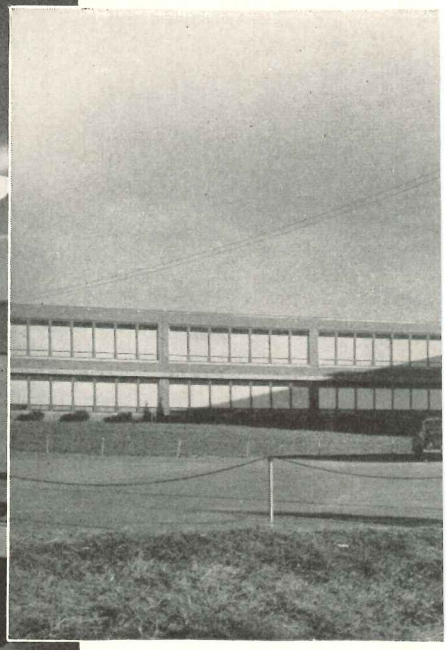


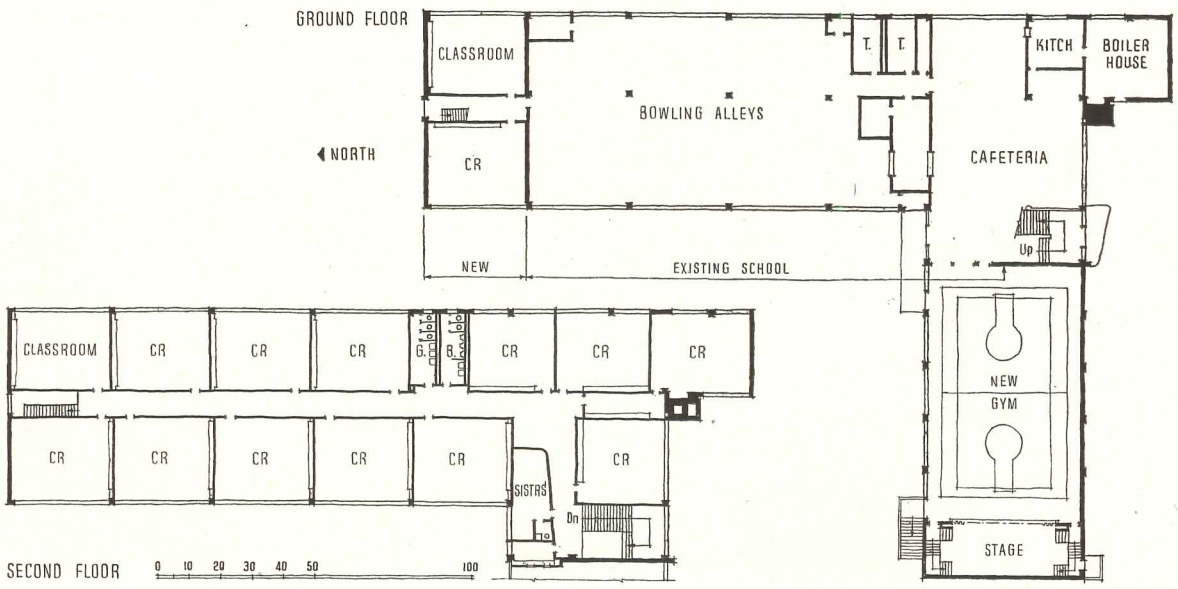




# PARISH SCHOOL AND RECREATIONAL CENTER

As a parish school for a Catholic community, this looks like a high school but is really for only six grades. Much of its cube goes into recreational facilities for the parish. Actual classroom space is difficult to sort out on a cost basis, for the present program added a classroom floor to an existing community building. However, for the addition costs ran 77¢ per cube, $14.00 per sq ft, working out to around $315 per pupil.





St. Gregory's School
St. Ann's Village
St. Louis County, Mo.

*Joseph D. Murphy*
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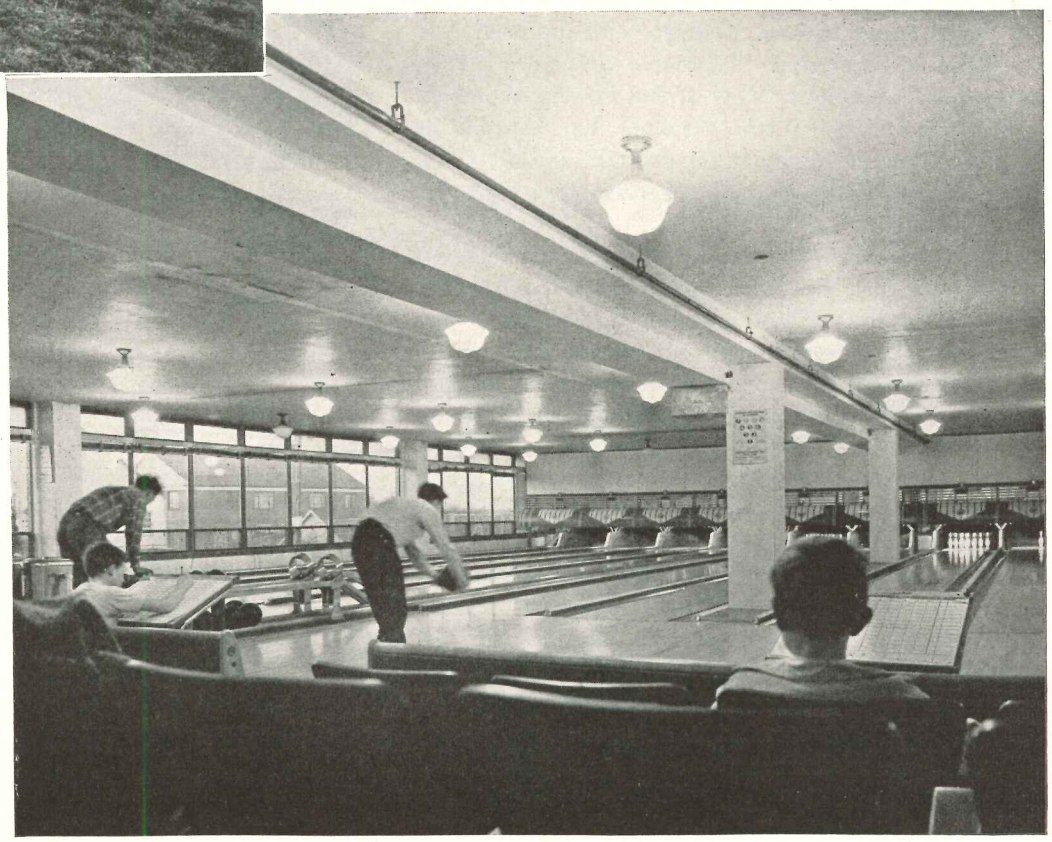


# COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Elementary School, Burlington, Conn.

*Moore & Salsbury, Architects*

HANDSOME as it is, with its hard brick walls and its clerestory lighting, this school sets something of a record for economy in its state. And Connecticut is not known for throwing its money around. The state average postwar cost per pupil is $1,131.77, whereas in this school, the cost per pupil is $696.00, or $20,900 per classroom.

It was built to replace six widely separated one-room schools; it also houses the functionaries of the Township of Burlington, these spaces served by a separate entrance, and the assembly room doubles as meeting hall for many local functions.

Classrooms are square, and bilaterally lighted. On an average winter day there is no need for artificial light. Each classroom is painted a different color, all colors kept light. Radiant heating is used throughout — wrought iron piping in the floor slab. Wall finishes are fir plywood; ceilings 1½-in. fiberboard acoustical tile. Ceramic tile is used for floors and walls in toilets; elsewhere floor finish is asphalt tile.

The architects explain the economical construction in a detailed list:

1. There is almost no departure from a strict 4-ft grid modular planning. This, together with a deliberate uniformity of similar elements both in plan and elevation, enabled the builder to precut all the structural elements of the building. The 4-ft modular system also enabled the 4-ft plywood sheets on interior walls to be put in place with almost no excess labor for cutting and fitting, and very little waste material. "In spite of all the arguments pro and con concerning modular planning, this is one job where its economy was proved. We feel that this is largely due to the fact that the module is consistent and uninterrupted."

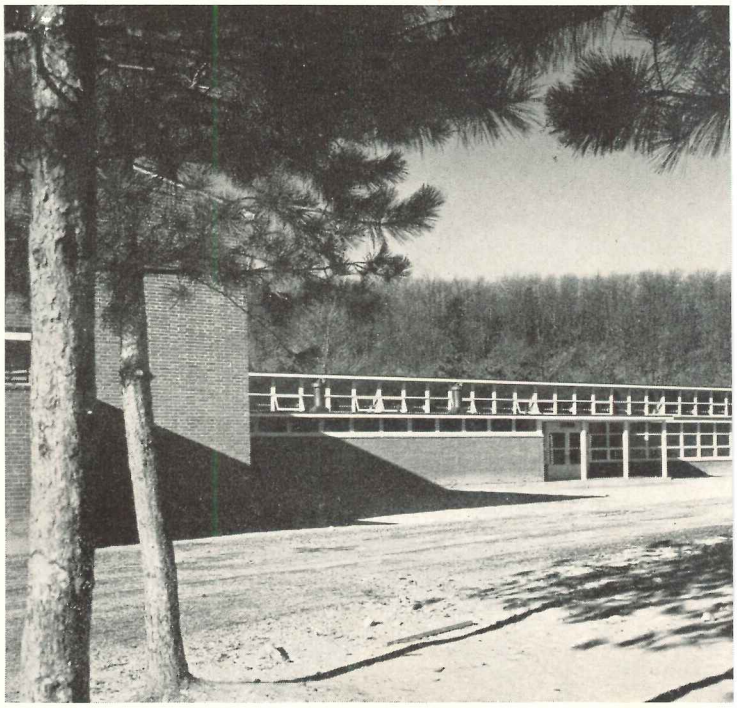
2. The framing system is simple and uniform. The roof joists for the entire classroom wing were put in place almost overnight. Most of the framing members were so standardized in the detailing that the bulk of the material could be pre-cut in the mill and delivered to the site ready for slotting together. (See isometric detail, p. 157.)

3. The drawings and specifications were complete down to the last full-size detail before the building went out for bids. There was not one change order issued during the entire course of construction.

4. Elimination of all dead air spaces and furred-in spaces. Services which do not run under the floor are exposed. Electrical conduit is all exposed, but carefully detailed in wire mouldings so as not to be offensive visually.

5. Savings in plastering and masonry. "The ⅜-in. plywood finish in corridors will hold up sufficiently well under hard abuse, although is admittedly harder to keep clean than tile or masonry. We feel that the consistent elimination of plaster throughout the building had an economical bearing overall."

6. "The bilateral ventilation in classrooms enabled us to eliminate mechanical ventilation in those rooms. The only rooms mechanically ventilated are the toilets, the assembly room and the kitchen."



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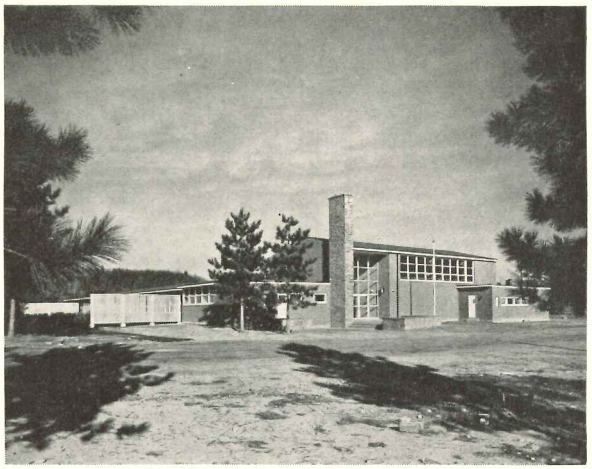

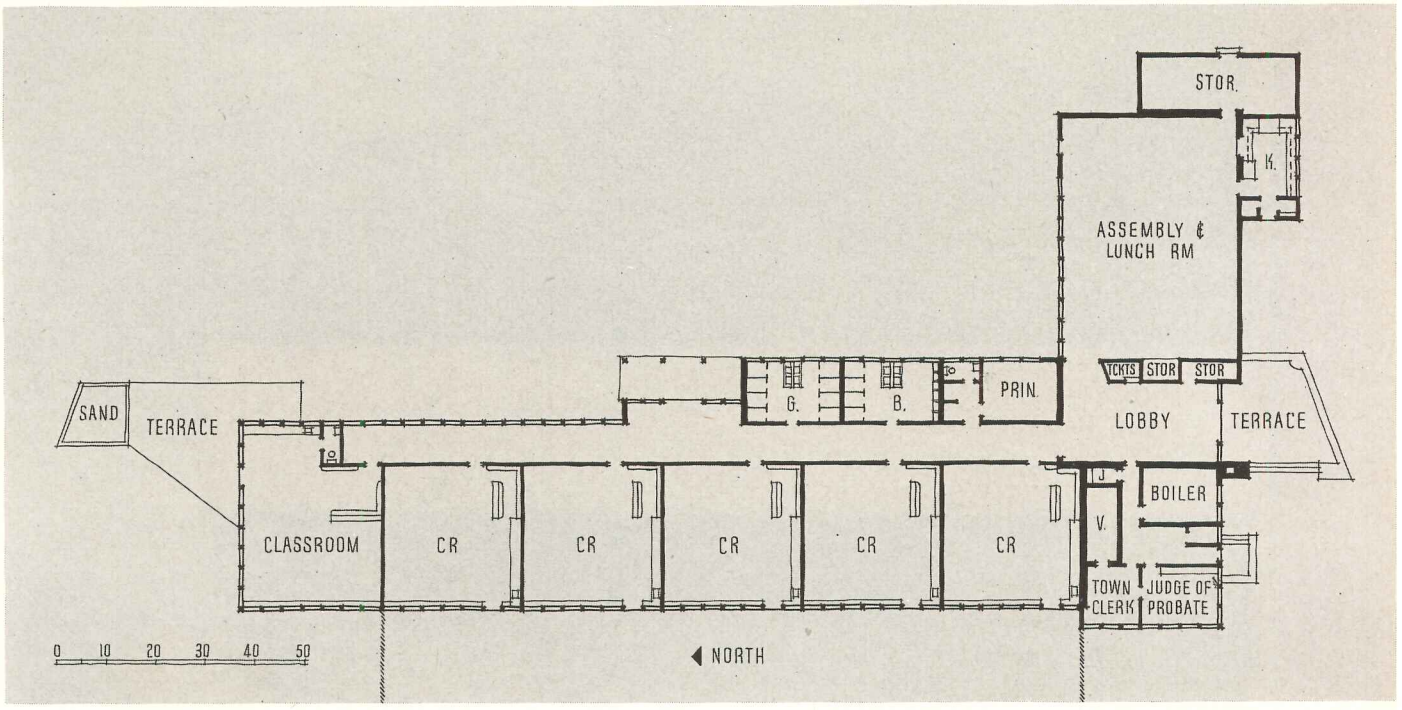


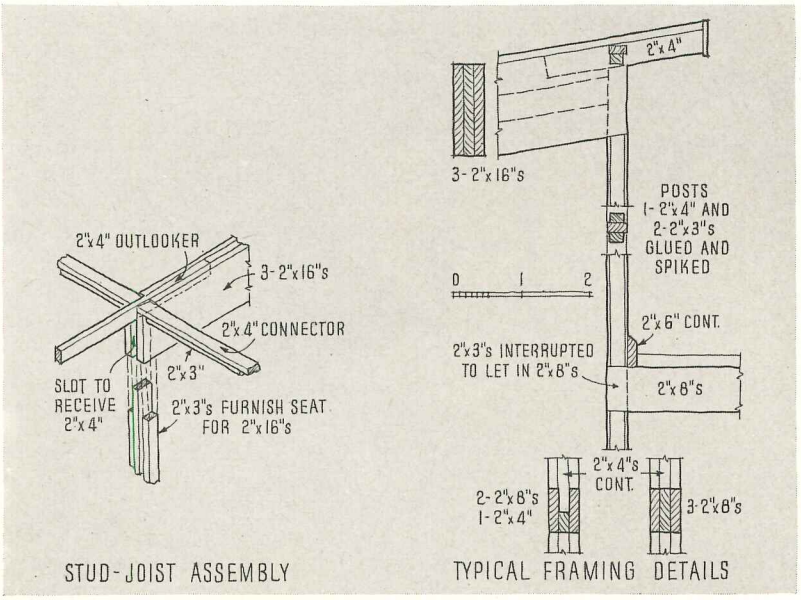

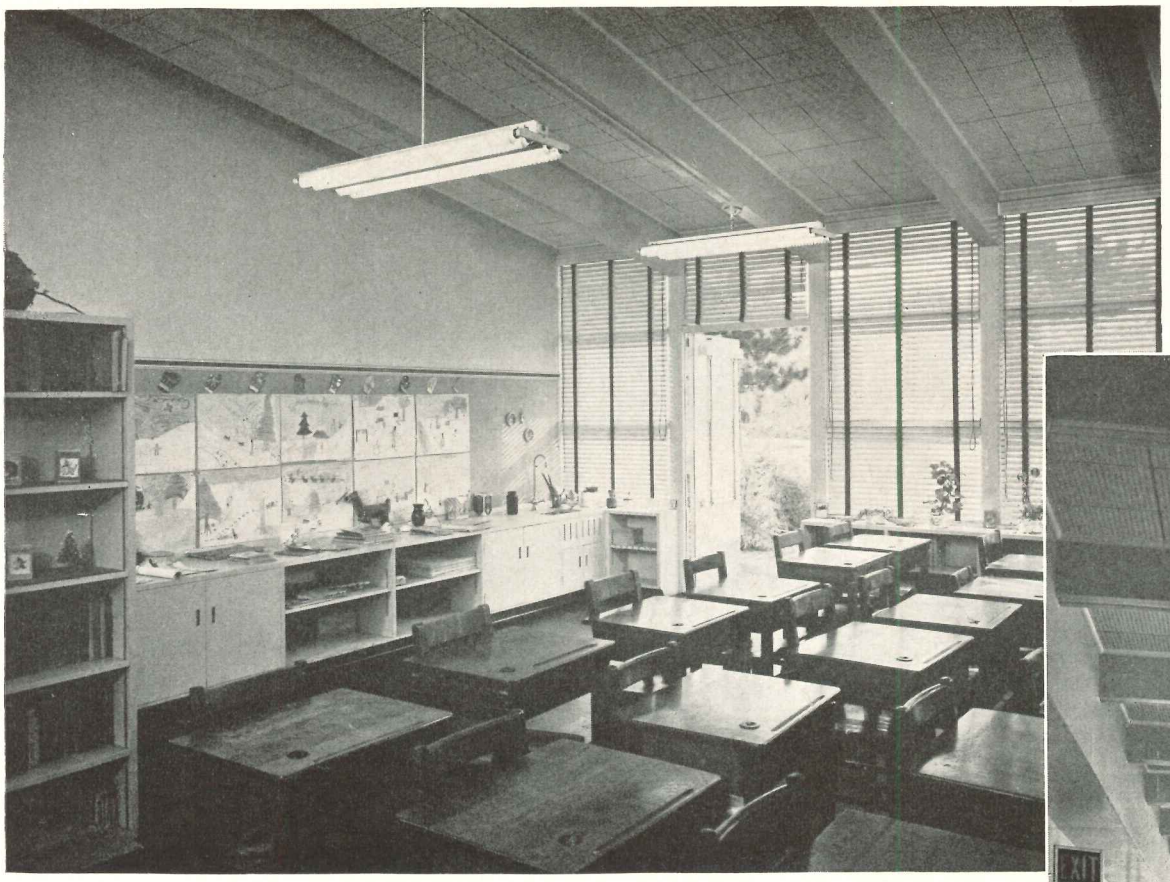

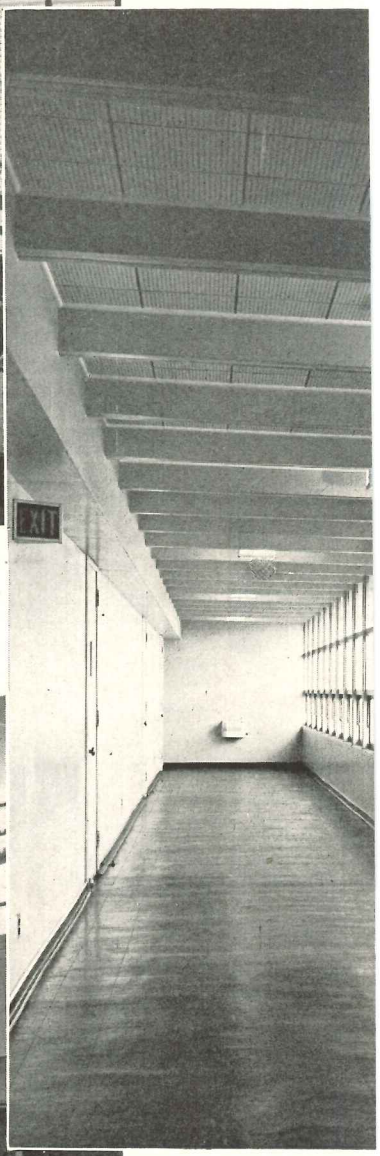
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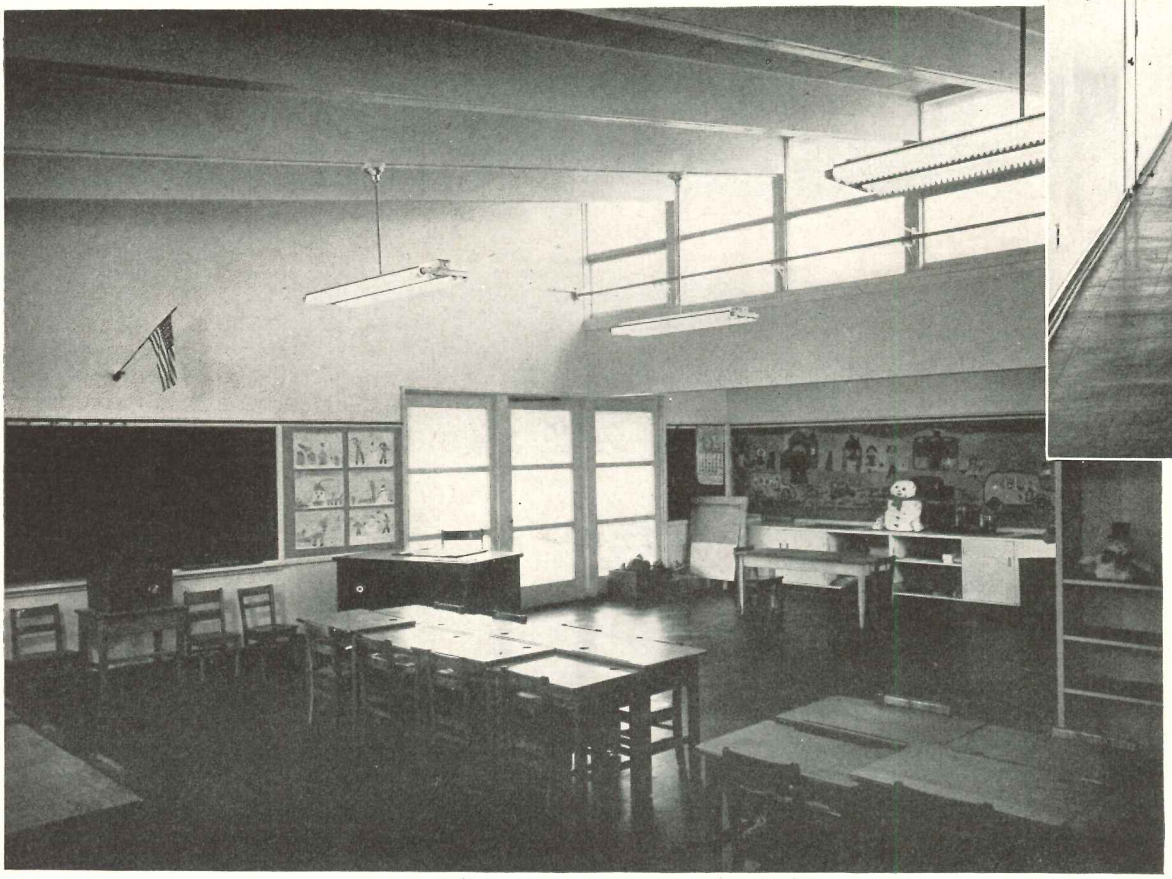

7. The lower-than-average ratio of operating sash to fixed sash, and the consistency of size of operating sash and type of hardware.

8. Elimination of long runs of piping for drainage of individual classroom sinks, by draining each sink into individual dry wells.

9. "In this particular case the use of wrought iron pipes in the floor slab for radiant heating was more economical than the conventional heating system with its attendant long runs of pipe trenches."

In addition to these economy features, the architects list some items that added more than normally to the cost of the building:

"1. The brick veneer used is not a common brick, but a special hard burned brick, laid up in a special bond.

"2. Throughout there is more than average built-in equipment.

"3. The roof is a five ply 20-year bonded roof.

"4. The plywoods used were selected for grain and soundness.

"5. Most of the framing skeleton is exposed and all framing members were selected for straight grain and freedom from knots.

"6. The assembly room has an excellent system of mechanically controlled tempered air changes.

"7. Each classroom has two exits, one of which is to an outdoor classroom extension.

"8. Each classroom has an individually enclosed (by hemlock hedges) outdoor extension. This feature, in the Connecticut climate, was something of an experiment, but has proven hugely successful. They are used for overflow classroom activities not only in the mild fall and spring, but also when there is snow on the ground. The first grade class has its own segregated playground, adjacent to its classroom for easy supervision."

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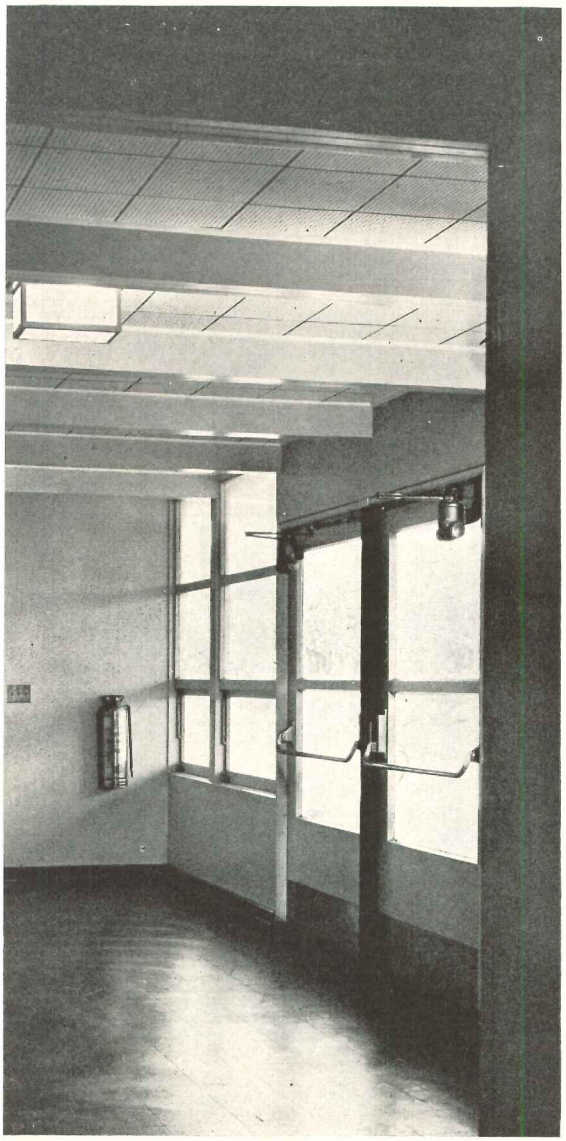
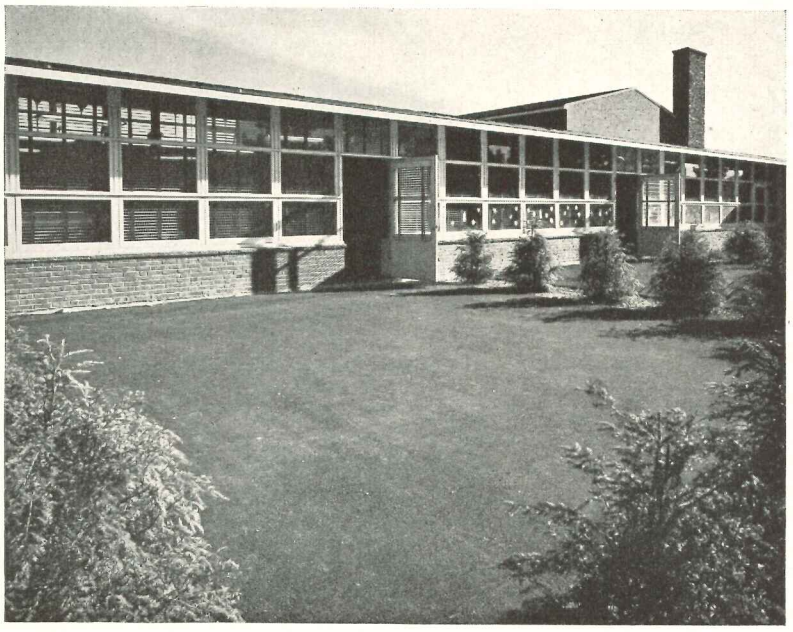
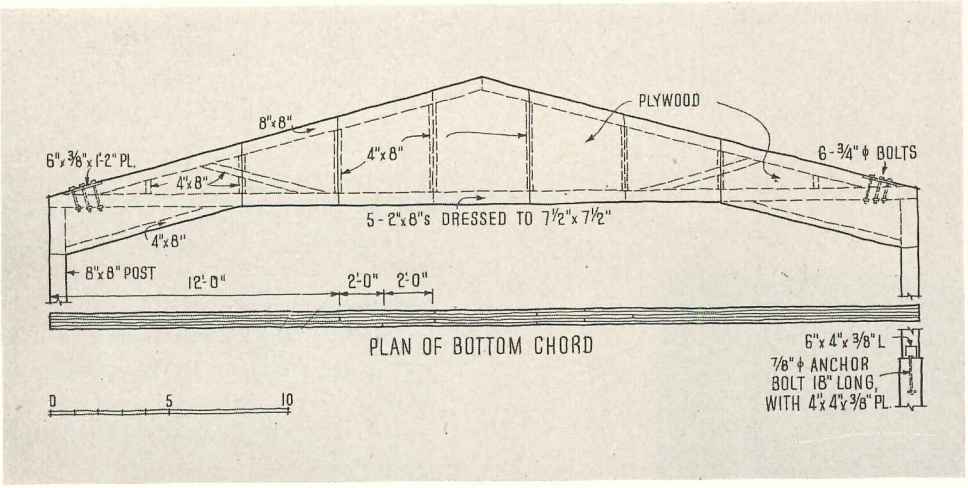




*Burlington School classrooms are square, bilaterally lighted, with single-loaded corridor (above). Each grade has its private outdoor classrooms, set off by evergreens (right)*




*Simple wood framing contributed much to the economy of Burlington school. Multi-purpose-community room is spanned by boxed wood truss; plywood covering acts as stiffener*

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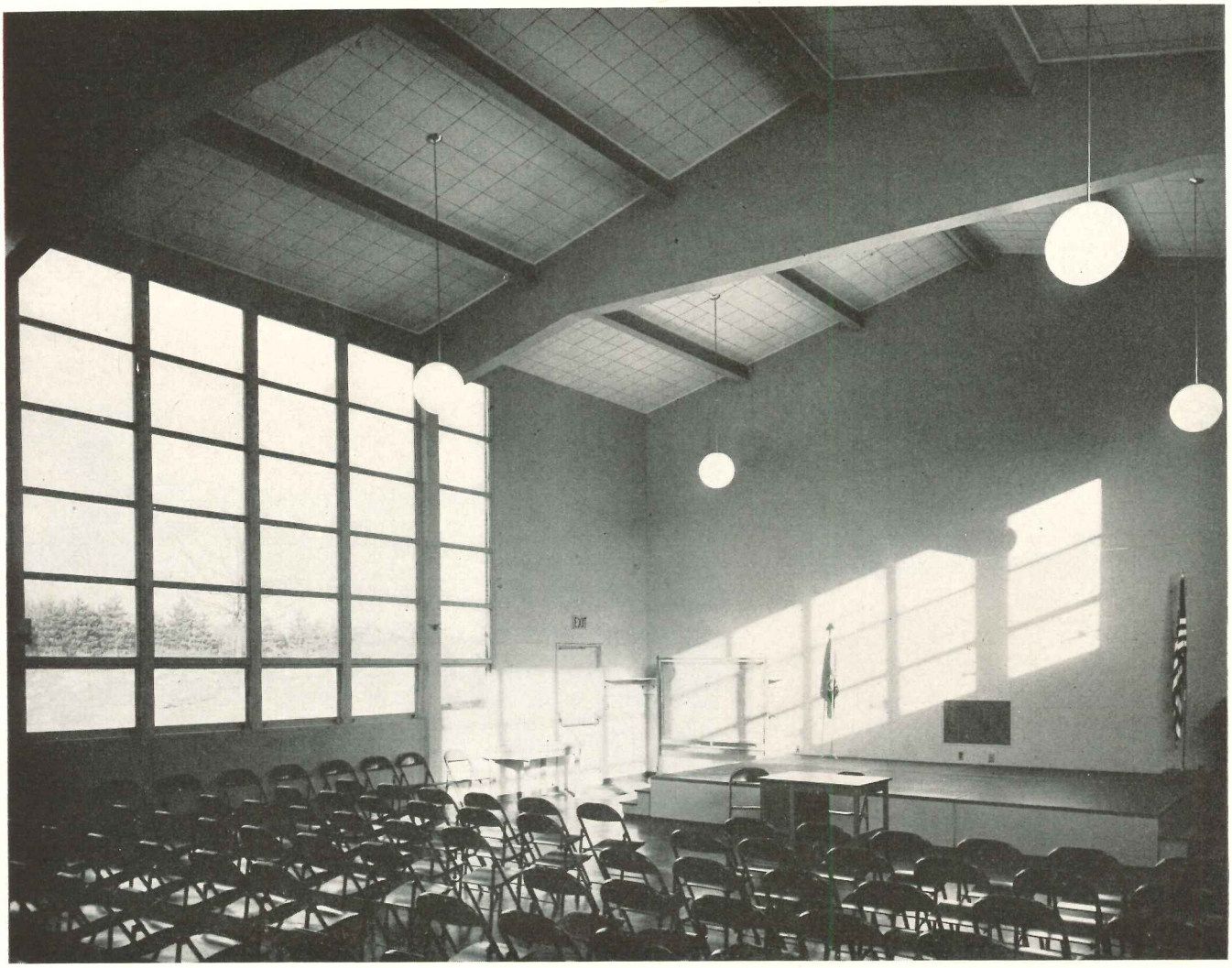

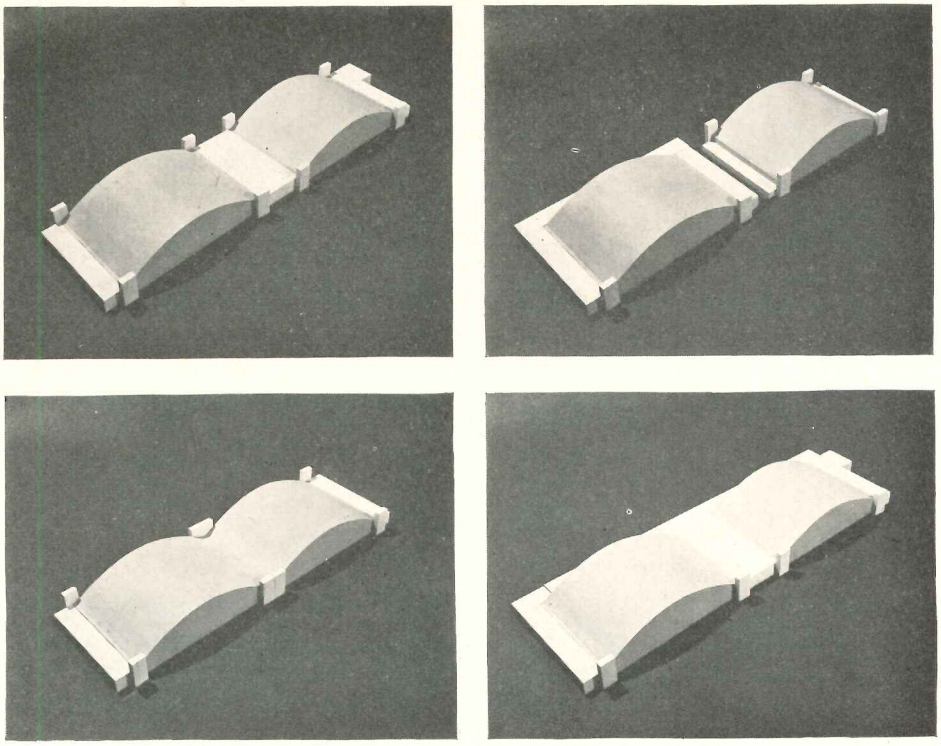

*These models show some of the designs possible by varying the size and location of the lean-to's, used for offices and shops. At first only two hangars were contemplated, but a third was found necessary. Upper left photo shows the double-entry type chosen for N. Y. International Airport. (Three hangars and four lean-to's are actually being built.) The prototype design can be varied to accommodate overhaul, line maintenance and storage according to the anticipated end usage*

# WORLD'S LARGEST STEEL ARCHED HANGARS

***The Port of New York Authority develops a prototype design . . . elevated arches made it possible***

***Roberts and Schaefer, Structural Engineers*** ***Lorimer and Rose, Architects***

BY JUNE, three of the world's largest steel arched hangars will be completed at New York International Airport. Each of the hangars, with a clear span of 300 ft and depth of 219 ft, will be large enough to accommodate six Douglas DC-6 transports or four double-decked Boeing Stratocruisers.

During preliminary discussions and design studies, it was impossible to specify exactly how the hangars would be utilized, or what size or combination of aircraft would be housed — so the basic design needed to be versatile. Another prime functional requirement was that the design of the hangar proper should be a standardized unit that could be repeated and adapted to varying foundation conditions for future expansion.

The hangars had to be designed so that they could accommodate any one or a combination of three functional operations — overhaul, line maintenance, and storage, although the problem of storage was considered of little importance because the hangars will be used for aircraft operated by commercial airlines.

### *Prototype Design*

Stemming mainly from these requirements came a prototype design, consisting of the main hangar as a standard unit onto which many different lean-to combinations can be incorporated for offices and shop space. The arches were designed with an elevated springing line which allows lean-to's to be built on the sides as well as on either end, besides providing more head room. As an example, if one basic unit were required to accomplish overhaul work, then two 100-ft lean-to's could provide the neces-

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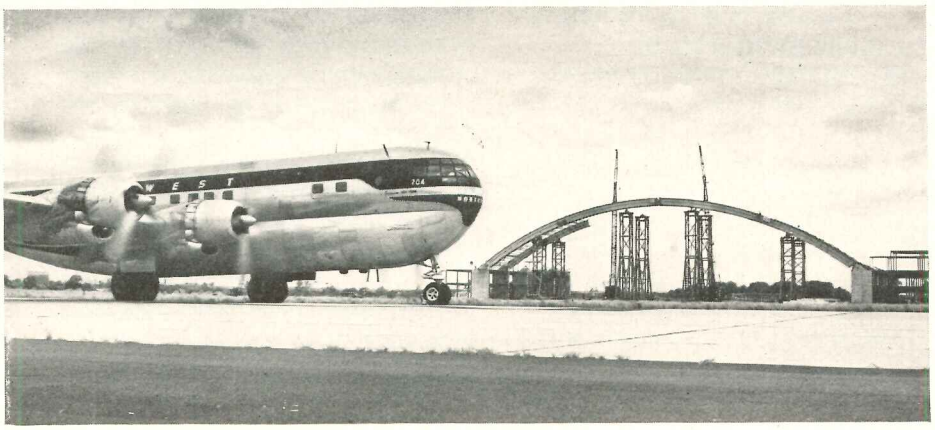


*One of the planes which will soon be using the new hangars at N. Y. International Airport taxis down the runway in front of one of the steel arched units*

sary shop and office space. If only line maintenance is to be done, one basic unit with a 40-ft lean-to on one side would be needed. Models in the photos on the previous page illustrate several possible arrangements.

Other functional requirements that evolved for the prototype hangar were that: the hangar, of permanent type construction, would be used long enough at a normal rental to amortize the capital investment; the hangar would have to house completely the largest commercial aircraft under construction or

structural systems to be incorporated in the structural steel design and the reinforced concrete design were made before the adoption of basic dimensions. An economic appraisal of varying rise-span ratios and arch spacings was made. There were functional limitations on the arch spacing, since the spacing must permit the conversion from double-ended to single-ended hangars without basic redesign.

In the case of the structural steel design, the various arch types (hingeless, 2-hinged and 3-hinged) were investi-

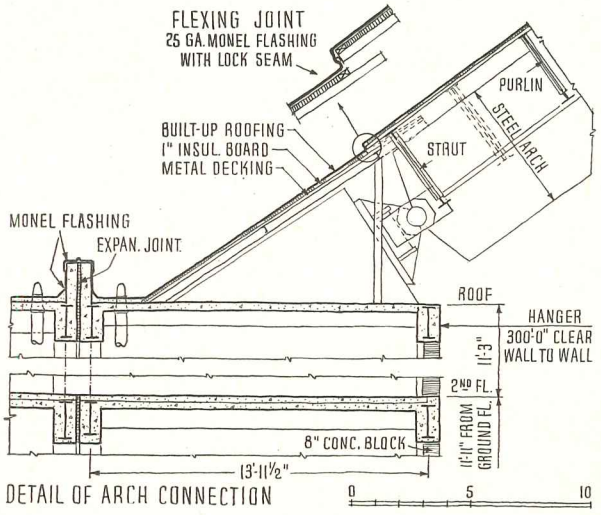
***Basic Hangar Dimensions Required***

**Width** . . . . . **300 ft**
**Depth** . . . . . **219 ft (to outside of masonry walls)**

**Min. clear height at center** . . . . . **62 ft**
**Door height** . . . . . **40 ft**

**provides**
**Tail Door** . . . . . **62 ft clear opening**

To provide the most flexible utiliza-



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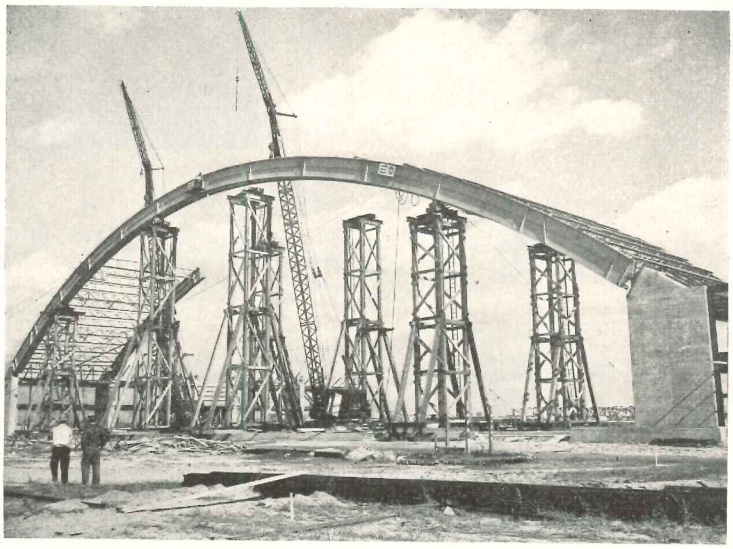

*Lean-to's can be built on the sides of the hangar since the arches are anchored at the top of concrete columns (at right in the photo). Structurally, 15 ft of the lean-to's belongs to the hangar because of the column width necessary. An expansion joint is used, therefore, between this section and the rest of the lean-to. Note the flexing joint to take care of arch movement*

"on the board"; the dimensions and layout of the hangar must be such that it could be constructed in either steel or concrete.

Designs were prepared and bid on for both types of construction. The lowest bid was for the steel construction, although the bid for reinforced concrete was close enough to this to be competitive for this particular design.

The underlying premise for alternate designs in structural steel and reinforced concrete was that identity in utility value be maintained. In the development of the structural steel design, this meant providing for external fireproofing. In the lean-to's, conventional methods are used; in the hangars a suspended vermiculite ceiling can be provided.

Exhaustive preliminary studies of the

gated, in addition to other factors that were involved in the concrete design. Choice of the type of arch also influenced the cost of bracing and purlins.

A complete preliminary investigation was made to determine the most economical lean-to framing for the structural steel and reinforced concrete designs. In the case of structural steel, the systems considered had to meet the same requirements for fireproofness as those inherently possessed by reinforced concrete.

After exhaustive studies with various hangar designs, and construction of numerous model hangars in which the parking and maneuvering of model aircraft were investigated (see drawing, opposite page), these basic dimensions were established:

tion of the hangar area and to effect a considerable saving in the required area per aircraft, the double-ended design with sliding doors opening onto their respective parking aprons was selected.

The aprons provide parking for eight aircraft having a turning circle of 175 ft or 11 of the smaller type aircraft having a turning circle of 150 ft. The aprons are designed for aircraft having a maximum gross load of 300,000 lb.

The new hangars are located in the north central section of the 4900 acre airport near the two existing hangars. From west to east, the lineup is: the west lean-to, 41 ft wide; Hangar No. 3 — 300 ft; west-center lean-to, 103 ft; Hangar No. 4 — 300 ft; east-center lean-to, 38 ft; Hangar No. 5 — 300 ft; and the east lean-to, 65 ft.

### *Steel Arch Design*

The arches have a clear span of 300 ft, are spaced longitudinally 48 ft on center (except two middle arches are 24 ft) and have a rise of 49 ft, 11 in. This gives a clear height at the center line of the hangar of 75 ft. The arch is a three-hinge, built-up, plate girder type.

The depth back-to-back of the flange angles remains constant at 5 ft 7 in. The end pins have a diameter of 10 in. while the pins at the crown have a diameter of 8 in. The webs are stiffened at mid-depth by two angles. There are two field splices on each arch.

The area between the arches is framed with built-up truss purlins and struts at 6 ft 7⅝ in. on center, top chords of which bear on the top of the arch thus giving a smooth surface on the outside of the hangar roof. The framing is laid out so that the arch is well braced at the top flange, and along the center of gravity of the arch by means of K-bracing. The purlins and struts are braced by means of cross frames. Hangers are used to suspend framing for the hung ceiling, lights and the sprinkler system. Metal decking is used for framing between the purlins.

The arch hinges at the springing line are anchored to concrete columns. These columns rest on pedestals, which in turn carry the load to the footings. Individual spread footings are used for the exterior columns and combined spread footings for the interior columns. No tension ties are used. The footings in the edge lean-to's are trapezoidal in plan and vary in depth from 10 ft to 3 ft. The footings in the center lean-to's are rectangular in plan, having a constant depth of 10 ft under the west-center lean-to and 5 ft under the east-center lean-to. Most of the lean-to columns are supported by the arch footings.

The hangar floor slab which rests on compacted limestone varies in thickness from 11 in. to 14 in. at the expansion joints. The six service pits in each hangar floor have compressed air, electrical outlets and drains.

There is a set of doors (12 leaves) at each end of the hangars with a clear opening 40 by 285 ft. Also at each end of the hangar there is a tailgate door 22 ft high and 33 ft 7 in. wide to provide clearance for planes with large tail sections. These tailgates are of the turnover canopy type. To prevent frequent opening of the large hangar doors, there are two vertical lift doors, 8 by 8 ft, and one pilot door built within the main doors. The upper portion of the hangar doors is glazed to produce even distribution of daylight over a large interior floor space. Hangar doors roll on tracks embedded in the concrete foundation. The wind loads on the doors and front closure walls are transmitted by steel trussed frames to the first two arches. All the doors are motor operated and electrically interconnected. Provisions are made for emergency hand operation.

### *Lean-to's*

In the case of all lean-to's, 15 ft of width in a structural sense belongs to the hangar structure, since this is the width necessary for the large columns supporting the arches. An expansion joint is provided, therefore, separating this 15 ft wide section of the lean-to from the remaining lean-to structure.

A boiler plant 73 ft wide and 50 ft long is provided on the roof of the west lean-to.

*Modular Layout.* The selection of a constant 24 by 24 ft structural bay with 15 by 16 in. columns throughout lean-to's permits all types of masonry and sectional partitions to be erected with minimum field cutting and adjustment. Floor-to-floor heights, beam depths, etc., were selected to accommodate standard course heights of commonly used materials such as glazed structural tile, concrete block, etc.

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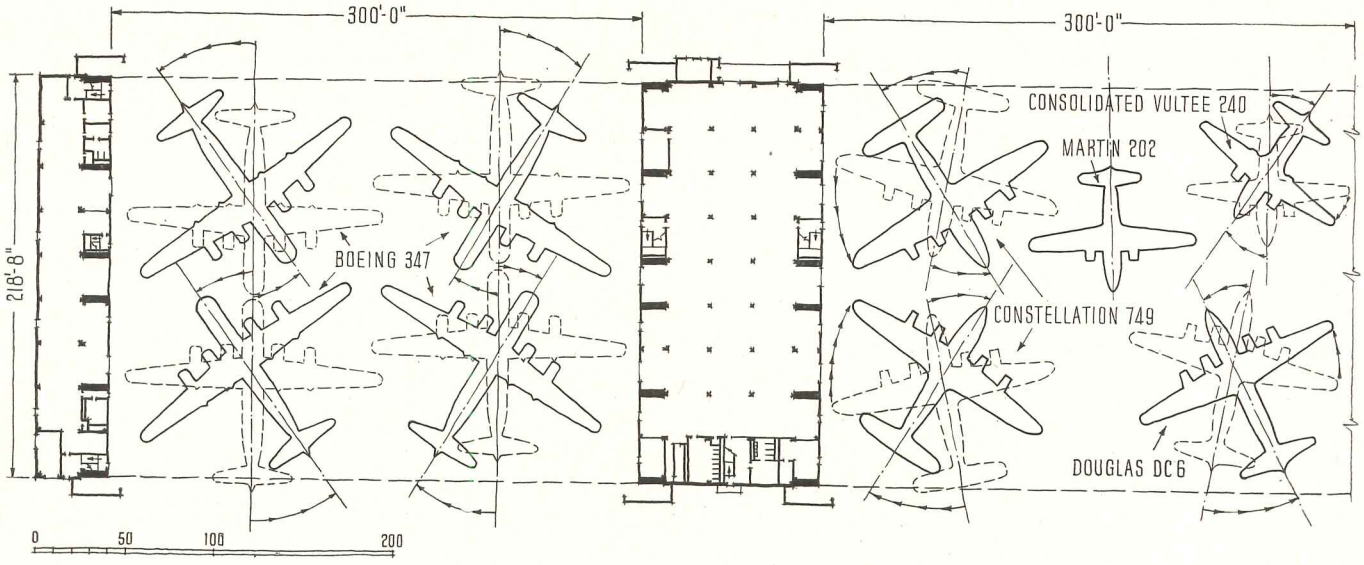



*Recommended hangar usage is illustrated above. A functional requirement of the prototype design was that the hangar should house the largest aircraft under construction or "on the board"*

lions on 4-ft centers permit ready subdivision of lean-to areas in space multiples of 4 ft, with partitions at all times coinciding with mullion locations.

The steel beams of the lean-to's are spaced 8 ft on center, coinciding with each alternate mullion. Concrete slabs topped with lightweight concrete fill span the beams for the length of the hangar.

In order to produce watertight conditions and good appearance, cavity type exterior walls are used. These have a 4-in. exterior withe of gray-buff facing brick in 4 by 4 by 12 in. nominal modular size, a 2-in. cavity, and an inner 4-in. withe of 8-in. concrete block.

### *Heating and Ventilating*

To insure optimum floor-level temperatures, it was decided to use a radiant heating system, circulating water at approximately 140F. Each hangar contains about ten miles of 1½ in. piping, spaced on 18-in. centers and buried 6½ in. below the floor. The panels are of the grid type in which the water is circulated from a supply header to a return header and not through a continuous coil. This eliminates long, continuous runs of pipe which would require high pumping heads and possibly cause circulating difficulties.

Pipe coils on 10⅞-in. centers are provided in the door pockets and directly beneath each door track rail. Plans provide for the future installation of four unit heaters per hangar, one at each corner, to take care of the pick-up load when the doors are open during cold weather, if operational experience indicates that this arrangement is necessary. Steel-fin-and-tube type radiation, completely enclosed in enameled sheet steel cabinets, is used in the edge lean-to's.

Ventilation is provided for interior zones of second floors in the edge lean-to's and first and second floors of the center lean-to's. The ventilating equipment rooms will be located on the roofs of the lean-to's. Mechanical engineers were Karsunky, Welles and Gooch.

### *Fire Protection*

A complete local fire alarm and sprinkler system is provided for the entire building inasmuch as the building location is isolated in relation to other parts of the airport.

The sprinkler system for the hangar is a deluge-type divided into six separate zones. The automatic control valves provided for these six systems are installed in the edge lean-to's. The systems are automatically operated from heat-sensitive devices installed in the ceiling.

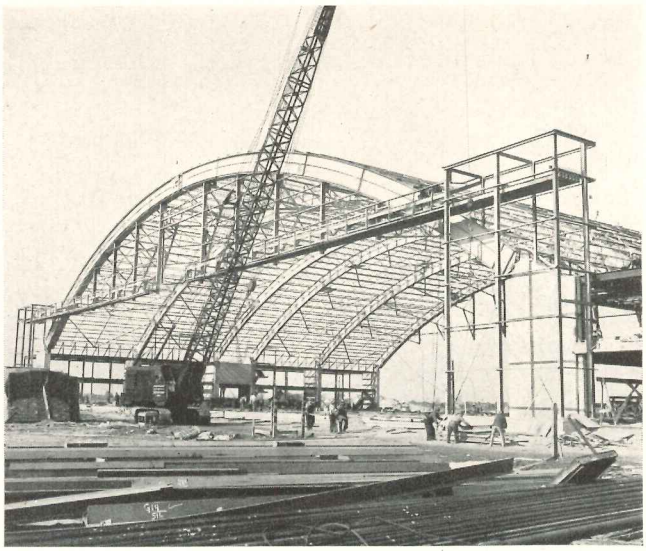
The first floor of each lean-to is provided with a wet-type sprinkler system. Provisions also have been made for future second-floor sprinklers.

### *Lighting*

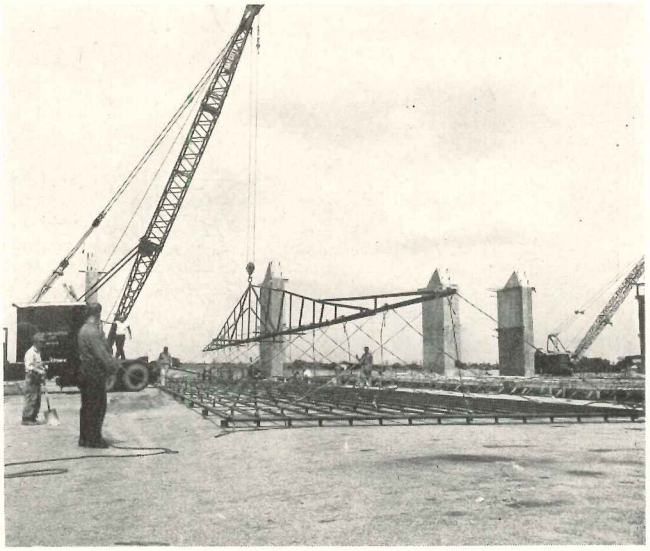
The hangars are designed with high-bay lighting fixtures, which project the light down to the floor surface where it is required with maximum efficiency, considering the high mounting which must be utilized. These fixtures will be provided with the disconnecting and lowering type of hanger.

Fixtures will be provided with two types of lamps: a standard incandescent lamp and a mercury vapor lamp, to produce an average uniform intensity of 38 footcandles. The mercury vapor lamps in combination with the incandescent will produce a bluish-white light of good color and quality.

Floodlights are provided over each hangar door to illuminate the apron area in front of the doors. Obstruction lights are provided on top of the roof of each hangar building and on the outside parapet wall of each edge lean-to. The control of these obstruction lights is designed to be automatic through photoelectric control units. They switch on when daylight drops to 35 f-c and off when it raises to 55 f-c.



*Structural steel framing almost completed for one of the hangars, including end framing, door pockets and upper door guides*



*A unique supporting rig handled by the crane moves radiant heating grids into correct position before concrete floor is poured*

# ARCHITECTURAL ACOUSTICS

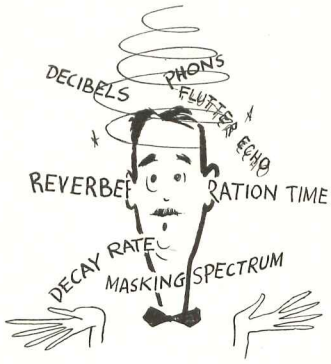
## Article 1: Basic Planning Aspects

*By Richard H. Bolt and Robert B. Newman* *

***This is the first in a series of articles by the authors, planned to give the architect a general perspective of acoustics — an orientation to the special language and techniques. They are not intended to replace a comprehensive course or book for one who wishes some mastery of the subject. But with the background provided, the architect will find more meaning in the growing literature on acoustics.***

### *The Scope of the Field*

Acoustics has been discussed in the architectural press from time to time (1) † and an increasing amount of technical information is available in manufacturers' literature, and in publications covering standardized acoustical values of materials and structures (2,3).

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All of these sources provide information that is useful when properly interpreted, but correct utilization of the engineering data, as in any branch of engineering, requires some background knowledge of the subject. Unfortunately the study of acoustics has been notably absent in architectural education, and few practicing architects have had an opportunity to acquire a detailed knowledge of this field. Yet almost every project undertaken by the architect involves some acoustic problems.

Often these problems are not recognized, at least not explicitly, by either the architect or the client. Of course an auditorium or broadcast studio needs special acoustic attention; but few people realize that the apartment house and the office building pose equally important acoustic problems. Many of these problems can be handled with little if any additional expense for acoustics itself. In a sense, every element of design and construction has some influence on acoustics; the important thing is to understand how much and what kind of influence these elements have.

We must learn first to recognize the various kinds of acoustic problems and their relation to the general functioning of buildings. Next we should consider the ways in which acoustic problems can be solved or anticipated in the basic planning: in the selection and utilization of the site, in the horizontal and vertical inter-relation of spaces within the building, in the general choice of materials and construction, and in the over-all shapes of rooms. These questions of functional analysis and planning are discussed in this article. Further articles will consider specific methods for achieving good acoustics in buildings. Their sequence follows more or less the logical order in which the architect should deal with acoustics as he develops a project.

### *Basic Problems and Criteria*

Although the practice of acoustics involves a wide variety of special problems and techniques, the basic reasons for acoustical design are simply:

(a) to provide a satisfactory acoustic environment, or

(b) to provide good hearing conditions.

In a hospital room, for example, the designer is concerned primarily with the problem of providing a quiet environment, while in a recital hall he is concerned principally with the hearing problem. Similar methods may be used in handling these two kinds of problem, though in general their requirements and treatments differ. For these reasons it is logical to study the two types separately, as will be done in the second and third articles in this series. But here we shall learn to recognize the problems and their relation to general planning.

**CRITERIA FOR AVERAGE NOISE LEVELS IN UNOCCUPIED ROOMS**

| | *Decibels* |
|---|---|
| *Radio, recording, and television studios* | *25–30* |
| *Music rooms* | *30–35* |
| *Legitimate theaters* | *30–35* |
| *Hospitals* | *35–40* |
| *Motion picture theaters, auditoriums* | *35–40* |
| *Churches* | *35–40* |
| *Apartments, hotels, homes* | *35–45* |
| *Classrooms, lecture rooms* | *35–40* |
| *Conference rooms, small offices* | *35–45* |
| *Court rooms* | *40–45* |
| *Private offices* | *40–45* |
| *Libraries* | *40–45* |
| *Large public offices, banks, stores, etc.* | *45–55* |
| *Restaurants* | *50–55* |
| *Factories* | *45–80* |

*These recommended acceptable levels are "weighted"; that is, they are the levels measured with a standard sound-level meter incorporating a 40-db frequency-weighting network (compensates for the ear). Table of noise level criteria, reprinted from* Acoustical Designing in Architecture, *Knudsen and Harris, p. 221, with permission of John Wiley and Sons, Inc.*

*Factors Influencing Acoustic Environment.* A satisfactory acoustic environment is one in which the character and magnitude of all noises are compatible with the satisfactory use of the space for its intended purpose. For example, a library reading room can be a difficult place for study in the presence of distracting noises. These same noises might be quite acceptable in a large business office; but here again there are limits of noise intrusion beyond which the workers would find it difficult to maintain efficiency and composure. There is thus a wide range of acceptable background noise levels in rooms, as indicated in the table above.

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† *Numbers in parentheses refer to items in bibliography.*

The noise level specified in this way is usually taken as the primary specification of an acoustic environment, but it is not the only one that counts. It is sometimes important to consider the noise levels at several frequencies instead of using the values given in the table which represent an average over a wide range of frequencies. It is sometimes important to consider the sound reflecting properties of the rooms because an extremely reverberant space can be annoying for some purposes even with relatively low noise levels.

The tolerance to noise depends also on its quality (high pitched whine, low pitched rumble, sharp rasping noise, etc.) and on its dynamic characteristics (continuous, intermittent in a regular rhythm, intermittent in unpredictable bursts, etc.). These characteristics are difficult to define, and their influences on annoyance and fatigue are not fully understood today; but extreme cases are easy to spot. To some extent the evaluation of these characteristics is simply a matter of common sense and experience. One obvious rule is that the more unexpected a noise, the more likely it is to be a disturbance. The steady drone of distant traffic giving 45 decibels in a hotel room would not be especially disturbing; but the same noise level from a siren will attract immediate attention. There will be cases in which the noise quality influences acoustic design. In particular the noise reducing elements such as insulating walls and sound absorbing materials should be effective in the predominant frequency ranges of the noise to be controlled. Keeping these points in mind, then, we can use the table as a partial checklist for noise control problems to be considered in each project. The architect may find it useful to expand this list from personal experience.

*Factors Influencing Hearing Conditions.* The room designed for hearing music or speech may already have been treated for environment control, in which case a start has been made on the listening problem. But the requirements for good hearing are more exacting, and their attainment is frequently more complicated. In general we must satisfy four requirements:

(1) Background noise must be low enough not to interfere with the desired sounds of speech or music.

(2) The desired sounds must be sufficiently loud.

(3) The reverberation time must be short enough to avoid excessive overlapping of successive sounds and yet it must be long enough to provide some blending.

(4) The sounds must be distributed properly throughout the room to give a desirable degree of acoustic uniformity and to avoid disturbing echoes, undue focusing, or islands of low intensity of sound.

Sketches by Sol Ehrlich

"Planning for Noise Control"

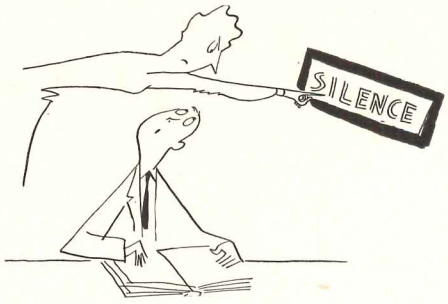
### *Planning for Noise Control*

We note that the background noise is an important factor in both the environment aspects and the hearing properties of the rooms. General criteria for listening rooms are included in the table. In speech rooms special attention must be given that particular range of frequencies in which a masking noise can reduce the intelligibility of speech. In the case of music a much wider range of frequencies is important

As already mentioned, the detailed criteria for acceptable amounts and kinds of noise will differ depending on the purposes of the room, but the general methods of achieving any of these criteria are common to all purposes. Let us now consider these noise control measures as related to general planning.

Achievement of low background noise in a room obviously will be aided by locating the room as far as possible from noise sources, both inside the building (ventilating machines, shops, gymnasiums, etc.) and outside (highway, railroad, airfield, noisy factory, etc.).

Frequently the site selection is beyond the architect's control. But usually he has considerable influence on the horizontal and vertical layout of the building, and this should be scrutinized for sensible segregation of noisy areas. Ventilating equipment and bowling alleys should not be placed immediately under or over an auditorium if this can be avoided. See if the machine shops or testing laboratories can be placed in a different wing from the offices and conference rooms. The play room should be removed from the bedrooms; the band room from the library and study halls. Noise control can sometimes be helped by the judicious use of dead areas — storage spaces, courts, etc. — as buffers. Noise sources within the building can often be controlled locally, by the housing of machines and quieting of rooms containing noisy devices. The selection of quiet mechanical equipment in the first place is a part of rational planning.

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When all possibilities of noise control by site selection, separation planning, buffer areas and noise source control have been fully utilized, we are ready to determine the expected sound levels (and perhaps other characteristics) of all noises immediately surrounding each room requiring protection. The difference between these noise levels and the background criterion for the room (calculation methods to be discussed in the second article) gives the amount of insulation that must be provided by the shell of the room itself.

Thus the second general phase of noise control leads to problems involving structures and materials. In general, the degree of noise insulation of a wall increases with weight. Composite structures, particularly if they include air spaces, are generally superior to homogeneous walls of the same weight. For example, an 8-in. brick wall has an average transmission loss of about 50 db, while two 4-in. brick walls spaced 4 in. apart give nearly 60 db which is more than the value for a solid 12-in. brick. Laminated walls of impervious outer layers, separated by materials of differing density and compressibility (fiber boards, soft blankets, light weight fill, etc.) are usually 5 to 10 db better than homogeneous walls of the same weight.

Regardless of weight, however, a wall must be highly impervious to air flow through it, if it is to give a high degree of sound insulation. As a striking example, ordinary thin walls of unplastered clay tile or porous cinder block rate as "poor" insulating walls — inadequate for inter-office privacy, for example. But

the same walls tightly sealed with even a thin coat of plaster on each side are in the "good" range of 35 to 40 db transmission loss.

The same rule applies to air leaks around doors and windows and through ventilating openings. An ordinary flush door with a threshold crack has negligible transmission loss (perhaps 10 db); with tight rubber gaskets all around it can reach a rating of 25 or 30 db which gives adequate privacy in many cases. (Note in passing that the transmission loss of a door or window need not be as high as that required for the wall as a whole if the door or window occupies only a small fraction of the area.)

It is very difficult with a single door to obtain more than 35 or 40 db even with elaborate precautions in construction, gasket sealing, and tight fitting hardware. So when we have a need for higher insulation through entries, we must go to double doors or enclosed sound locks, as frequently used in broadcast studios.

Thus the design of a sound insulating enclosure involves more than the choice of a wall structure with adequate transmission loss. Attention must also be paid to proper detailing of all joints, divisions, and inserted elements. Many an expensive wall construction has been vitiated acoustically by short circuiting air leaks.

Although such short circuits are readily comprehended, the equally dangerous by-passing by structural paths is often overlooked. The impact of heels on a floor sets up vibration which in turn gives rise to sound radiated into the space below. The degree to which a given floor structure thus responds is measured by its impact noise transmission loss. Impact noise transmission loss values for many types of floors are given in BMS 17 (see Ref. 2). A bare concrete floor slab transmits impact noise as efficiently as any commonly employed structure and is therefore frequently used as a reference for measuring impact noise. Taking this bare slab as having zero loss, the addition of a carpet improves matters by 5 to 10 db; and the addition of a resiliently floated finish floor can provide a structure with as much as 20 or 25 db impact transmission loss.

Now, the structural vibration set up by impact can also be transmitted to other parts of the building along the slab and through the structure. As a matter of fact, even air borne sound striking a wall always imparts at least a small amount of motion, and once this vibration is in the structure it can travel throughout the building. This structure-borne vibration is "telephoned" readily through a continuous rigid frame of steel or concrete; less efficiently through unhomogeneous masonry or frame constructions; and blocked almost entirely by structural breaks which are sealed, at most, by a soft mastic. Sound passing between two adjacent rooms through the floor slab may exceed the amount transmitted through a common wall. This sound transmission sets an upper limit to the amount of sound isolation that can be achieved between these rooms, regardless of the effectiveness of the wall between them. This limit is usually about 45 to 55 db, depending upon the type of construction. Above this limit special detailing must be used to break paths of transmission.

Sometimes the detailing of high sound insulation in a building necessitates wall and floor structures of uncommon thickness. It may be necessary to provide floated floors or ceilings, or an isolated inner shell around a room. This will not generally occur if less than 45 db airborne sound transmission loss is needed; but above 55 db the structure is almost certain to be of increased thickness. This situation gives rise to one of the most important reasons for anticipating noise control requirements in the planning stages. More than one building has been doomed to inadequate noise control simply because the floor levels and room dimensions were irrevocably fixed (or even the structure erected) before thought was given to acoustics.

### *Planning for Adequate Loudness*

Provision of sufficient loudness is not a problem in small rooms (less than about 25,000 cu ft). In rooms of this size, an average person talking normally can be heard very well throughout the room if the other conditions for good hearing are satisfied. At the other extreme, in very large rooms (more than approximately 250,000 cu ft) the average person simply cannot generate enough acoustic power to fill the room, so he needs the aid of a sound amplifying system. In rooms of intermediate size an amplifying system may or may not be necessary, depending on the skill with which the other influencing factors of background noise and sound distribution can be controlled.

The loudness problem is somewhat different in the case of music, because ensembles of musical instruments usually can be made large enough for satisfactory hearing even in large auditoriums. Solo voices may require amplification, but only under unusual circumstances is amplification needed for the orchestra.

Whenever we recognize the possible need for a sound reinforcement system (and of course such systems are automatically required in motion picture theaters) we should keep in mind that the loudspeakers should be located in accordance with well established principles, and that the system should be properly integrated with the design of the room. In most cases, a single group of loudspeakers located centrally some 20 or 30 ft above the stage will provide optimum hearing condition with greatest realism. There are recent developments in stereophonic reproduction using two or more separate groups of loudspeakers fed independently from separate microphones.

In fact, the engineering of sound reinforcing systems with high fidelity and realism has advanced considerably in recent years. It is now important for architects to understand these potentialities and to incorporate the required components in the basic design of the room

### *Planning for Optimum Reverberation*

The reverberation time is a measure of the prolongation of sound in a room after the source has stopped; specifically, the time in seconds for sound to decay 60 db. The optimum value of reverberation time depends on the volume

"Planning for Adequate Loudness"

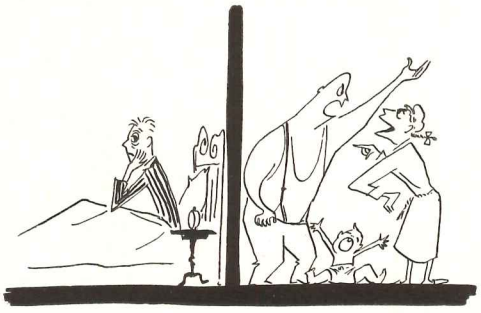
of the room and on the type of sound to be heard. In general, the working range runs from about ½ second for very small speech rooms up to 2½ seconds for very large concert halls or churches. Detailed criteria will be discussed in a later article.

The reverberation time that exists in a room is determined by the volume of the room and by the sound absorptive properties of the finishes, furnishings, people and the air in the room. The

amount of sound absorption is specified in terms of absorptive units; the calculation of the number of units and then of the reverberation time is an essential step in the acoustic analysis, but one which we can postpone here. One point to bear in mind at this stage is that reverberation control does not always require the use of special acoustic materials, though they are generally needed in some amount. In moderate sized rooms with a small volume per person, with upholstered seats and perhaps with wood paneled walls, the optimum reverberation time already may be achieved.

It is important to know that the reverberation time must be satisfactory over a wide range of frequencies and not simply at one frequency such as 512 cps, as is too often believed to be the case. A common form of frequency unbalance is excessive reverberation at low frequencies (below 250 cps) and inadequate reverberation at high frequencies (above 2000 cps). The effect is "boomy" and yet "dead" and music hearing is particularly poor. Usually this condition is attributable to inadequate low frequency absorption; conventional acoustical materials less than 1 in. thick and mounted directly on hard surfaces fall off rapidly in absorption below 250 cps. Increased low frequency absorption can be obtained by using thicker materials, or deep air spaces behind porous materials, or specially designed thin panels, or acoustic resonators. All of these measures require greater depth than is normally allowed for acoustic treatment. Thus it is important in the planning stage to recognize those cases in which large amounts of low frequency absorption may be needed and to allow adequate depth in walls and ceilings for this treatment. A space of 4 to 6 in. is usually enough for this treatment, and yet one frequently sees cases in which previous design decisions have made it impossible to apply more than 1 in. thickness of absorptive treatment.

Acoustical materials are made in a wide range of surface textures, and many possibilities in surface design and color are possible by judicious combinations involving available finish materials. The architect who is familiar with these possibilities, or better yet with the basic principles from which new combinations can be conceived, will find that the treatment for reverberation control can be made a part of the design rather than a necessary evil which must be applied as "correction."

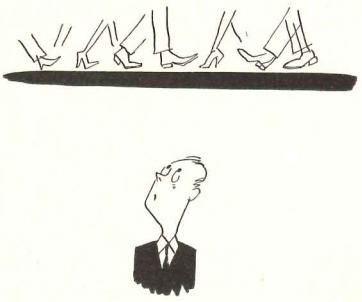


*". . . vibration is telephoned readily through a rigid frame of steel or concrete . . .*

*. . . blocked almost entirely by structural breaks . . ."*

### *Planning for Sound Distribution and Room Shape*

The distribution of sound in a room is determined principally by the over-all shape of the enclosure and the smaller scale breakup of the surfaces. Amounts and locations of absorbing materials also influence sound distribution to some



*"The impact of heels on a floor sets up vibration . . ."*

extent. For proper distribution, sounds from persons speaking or singing, instruments, and loudspeakers should be projected to all the listeners with fidelity and uniformity. The exact meanings of these words are subject to careful definition, but a general understanding can be given at this point by some qualitative statements. There should be no distinct echoes such as come from distant reflecting surfaces. High domes and large expanses of concave wall focus sound annoyingly to certain parts of the room and rob other parts. (Whispering galleries make good sightseeing but poor auditoriums.)

Excessive space in itself is wasteful of acoustic energy. If monumentality is essential, in a particular room, its inherent acoustic difficulties should be clearly recognized and ameliorated as far as possible in the design. If, on the other hand, the design of a large hall can be generated primarily by acoustic requirements, a high degree of sound conservation and uniformity can be achieved.

Usually volume should be less than 300 cu ft per person and the height of the hall should not be excessive at any point. At the same time if there is a balcony, sufficient height should be allowed in the framing to yield a good balcony shape. The front of the balcony should be pointed or rounded and the underside should slope downward toward the rear. These features eliminate echo reflections from the balcony front, carry reinforcing sound to the rear under balcony seats. Even worse than a horizontal balcony soffit is one which slopes up to the rear. A listener sitting in such a reentrant space feels that he is in another room into which inadequate sound is coming from the auditorium itself. There should be properly oriented reflecting surfaces near the sources of sound. Smaller scale surface irregularities are frequently help-

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# PLANNING GRADE SCHOOL KITCHENS

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TO KEEP operation expenses of school cafeterias at a minimum, the physical layout must permit an orderly sequence of work. Receiving, storage, working and serving areas must be closely related. And at the same time, adequate food service equipment must be provided, properly integrated with the layout.

The architect should plan the cafeteria to serve the two groups of children who will use it. One group will buy lunch there; the other will bring lunch from home and buy milk at school. Congestion will be reduced if a separate line is established for purchase of milk and ice cream only.

Careful consideration should be given to the problem of handling the large quantities of milk used in modern schools — refrigeration, washing and bottle storage.

A double service line is desirable, as speedy service insures a greater number of children buying school lunches.

### *Receiving and Storage Areas*

The door to the kitchen proper must be wide enough to permit the movement of all equipment. A protected space for unloading and receiving supplies adjacent to the storeroom and kitchen is essential. A table and platform scales should be located here so that the deliveries may be weighed and checked before they are stored or taken to preparation areas.

The storeroom for canned and staple foods should be ventilated, rodent-proof, easily cleaned and protected from theft by a door which can be securely locked. Metal shelving is desirable. For No. 10 cans, shelves 14½ in. deep and 16 in. apart are satisfactory. It is convenient to have one 2-ft shelf at a height of about 42 in., below which bins or metal cans on rollers can be placed. A portable table on casters saves many steps between the storage room and the kitchen.

A walk-in icebox is necessary for the storage of vegetables, sacks of potatoes, etc. Ample refrigeration insures that sufficient quantities of perishable supplies may be ordered and delivered at wholesale prices. There is an increasing use of frozen foods which must be held at a temperature of approximately 5 F, so a frozen food storage cabinet should be provided. (See Table for sizes.)

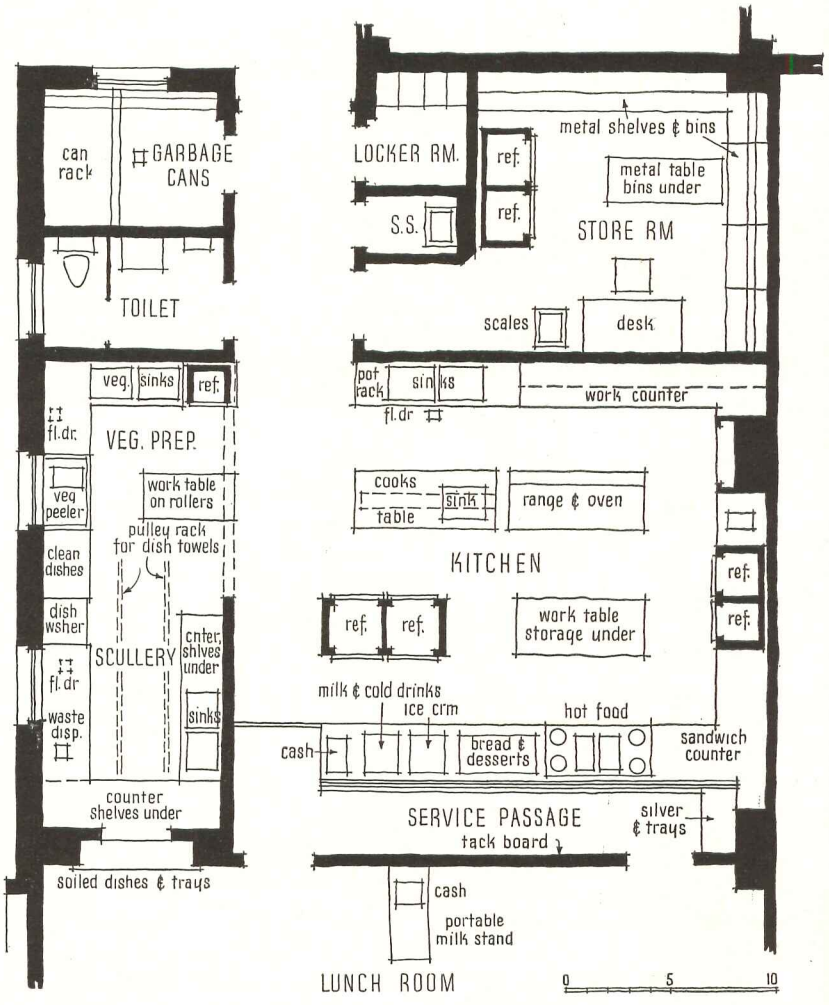
### *Food Preparation*

*Sinks.* The food preparation area should have two- or three-compartment sinks. The sinks should be stainless metal, welded, seamless, one-piece, with rounded corners and with sufficient pitch to drain quickly. If space permits, each compartment should be 24 to 30 in. long and the drainboards 30 to 36 in. Gate valves should be used instead of plugs.

*Potato Peeler.* The potato peeler should be set high enough to empty onto the drainboard or into the sink. It should be so placed that it is easy to clean.

*Tables.* Three tables are necessary — one for vegetable preparation, one for the salad and sandwich preparation and one for use by the cook. Stainless metal table tops and shelves are desirable.

The cook's table should be provided with a rack overhead and a sink. It should have drawers mounted on slides, with roller bearings. Linoleum lined drawers for knives and spoons lessen the noise and protect the implements.




*A typical kitchen layout for an elementary school. Designed for Hillcrest Elementary School, San Francisco, Calif., by Day and Michelsen, Architects*

*Ranges.* Either two-section, heavy-duty ranges (each section 36 in. wide, oven below) with solid tops and ovens should be provided or a one-section range with oven plus a two-deck oven in the elementary schools. Larger schools should be provided with three to four range units and the two-deck ovens. A water tap over the range is convenient for filling the kettles.

An electric fan should be installed in the hood to remove heat and kitchen odors.

The vent pipe of all range hoods must be trapped with a grease trap or filter in a manner satisfactory to the local health department. Installation of hoods in which the vent opens directly to the outside without a filter or trap is no longer permissible.

**EQUIPMENT FOR VARIOUS SERVICE NEEDS**

| *Equipment* | *Dimensions* | No. Units to Serve *75–150* | *150–350* | *350–800* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Heavy Duty Range | 36 by 36 in. | 2 units, or 1 plus bake oven | 2 | 2 |
| Bake Ovens, 2 deck | 54 in. wide by 36 in. deep by 70 in. high | | 1 | 2 |
| Steam Cooker, 2 compartment | 41 in. deep by 35 in. wide | | 1 | 1 (4 compartment |
| Potato Peeler, capacity 15 lb | 29 in. wide by 20 in. deep | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Mixing Machine, 40 to 60 qt | | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Dishwashing Machine | | Single tray | Double tray | Double tray |
| Slicing Machine | Large table model | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| ***Sinks*** | | | | |
| Vegetable Sink, 2 compartment | 18 by 18 by 12 in. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Slop Sink | 24 by 20 by 14 in. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Hand Sink | 15 by 12 in. | | 1 | 1 |
| Pot Sink* | | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| ***Tables*** | | | | |
| Receiving Table | | 3 ft by 18 in. by 28 in. | 4 ft by 24 in. by 28 in. | 6 ft by 24 in. by 28 in. |
| Pre-preparation for vegetables | | | 4 ft by 24 in. by 36 in. | 5 ft by 30 in. b 36 in. |
| Salad and Sandwich | | 4 ft to 6 ft by 30 in. by 36 in. | 6 ft by 30 in. by 36 in. | 6 ft by 30 in. L y 36 in. |
| Cook's Table | | 6 ft by 30 in. by 36 in. | 6 ft by 30 in. by 36 in. | 7 ft by 30 in. by 36 in. |
| Baker's Table | | | 3½ ft by 30 in. by 36 in. | 4 ft 6 in. by 3C in. by 36 in. |
| ***Refrigeration*** | | | | |
| Reach-In Refrigerator | | 35 cu ft | 45 cu ft | 2 (45 cu ft) |
| Walk-In Box | | 6 by 6 ft | 6 by 6 ft | 8 by 10 ft |
| Deep Freeze Lockers | | 28 by 37 by 38 in. (approx.) | same | 28 by 57 by 38 in. (approx.) |
| Ice Cream Cabinets (for serving lines) | | 1 (2 hole) | 2 (4 hole) | 2 (8 hole) |
| Refrigerator for separate milk service | | | | 15 cu ft |
| Electric Bun Warmer | | | 28 by 37½ by 54½ in. | same |

* *See text, "Pot and Pan Sink," this page.*

*Pot and Pan Sink.* A pot and pan sink located near the range saves steps. It should be built with two drainboards, one on each end; three wash compartments; and a small scraping compartment. The first one is a soaking sink. Between the soaking and the wash compartment is a small one, approximately 8 in. wide and 10 in. deep, with a removable perforated tray set on top of it into which food materials are scraped. The third wash compartment is for rinsing. The compartments for the sink should be 14 to 16 in. deep, 20 in. wide, and 28 in. long. Shelves should be provided, mounted on wheels, under the drainboards.

*Serving Area.* A glass plate in front of each serving counter to protect food from the breaths of those in line is usually required by the health authorities. This glass plate should be placed several inches above the top of the counter so there is space for passing plates of food under the glass.

Electrically heated food tables in stainless metal are more desirable than the gas steam tables. In the electric food tables, steam and moisture are eliminated and the tables do not require plumbing. Each section in the table is thermostatically controlled and the heat in each section can be adjusted to the proper temperature for each type of food. Panel adapters are available which makes it possible to use different sized containers.

A dry hot food storage table may be substituted. For this type, a gas line is required, but no plumbing, water, or drains are needed. The temperature of each compartment can be controlled individually.

Silver containers should be on the service counter near the trays. These containers should be built so that the silver may be stacked, handles up.

Soaps, detergents, etc., should be stored in a compartment under the pot and pan sink area. Sufficient space above and below the dish tables insures proper air drying.

A towel drying rack which can be pulled up close to the ceiling should be included.

The garbage can storage room should be located so that it is accessible from the driveway, convenient to the kitchen, yet can be locked on the kitchen side. The room should be louvred and screened for natural ventilation. It should be located near the receiving area, not the kitchen. The garbage room should have

(*Continued on page 248*)

# I.E.S. ISSUES FIRST DAYLIGHTING REPORT

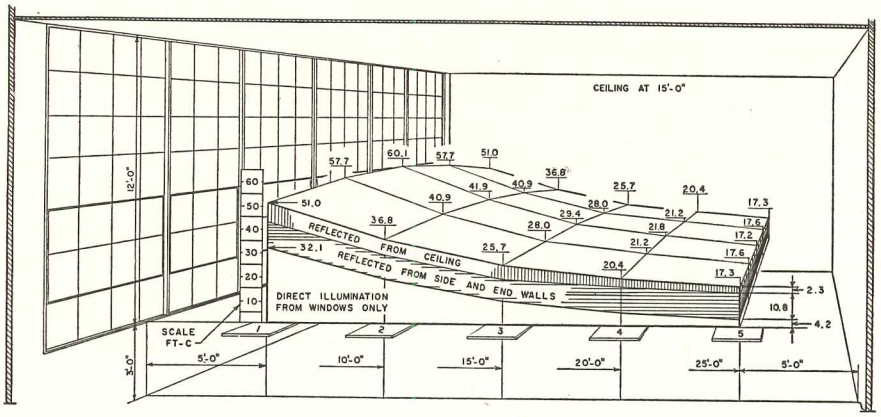



*Illustration from first I.E.S. report on daylighting effectively shows the total lighting distribution on a horizontal plane 3 ft above floor*

The first *Recommended Practice of Daylighting** just published by the Illuminating Engineering Society presents technical data and recommendations for the effective utilization of daylight in schools, offices, factories and homes. The principles described, however, can be applied to all types of building.

Recommendations form the main text of the report; design information needed for daylighting calculations is covered in several appendices; and a comprehensive bibliography of over 200 references concludes the report. Almost all of the data contained is from previously published material.

At first, the report discusses daylighting design principles, including such topics as sky brightness, daylighting distribution, effect of inside and outside colors, and effect of obstructions. Then follows general information on sunlight control, including building orientation; fixed and variable devices such as shades, louvers and overhangs.

Tables and graphs plus accompanying explanatory text in the appendices permits planning for desired lighting requirements.

The report was compiled by a Sub-Committee of the Committee on Daylighting, assisted by Bernard F. Greene, lighting consultant.

** Available from Illuminating Engineering Society, Publications Office, 51 Madison Ave., New York 10, N. Y. 50 cents.*

# HEATING CABLE USED FOR SNOW MELTING

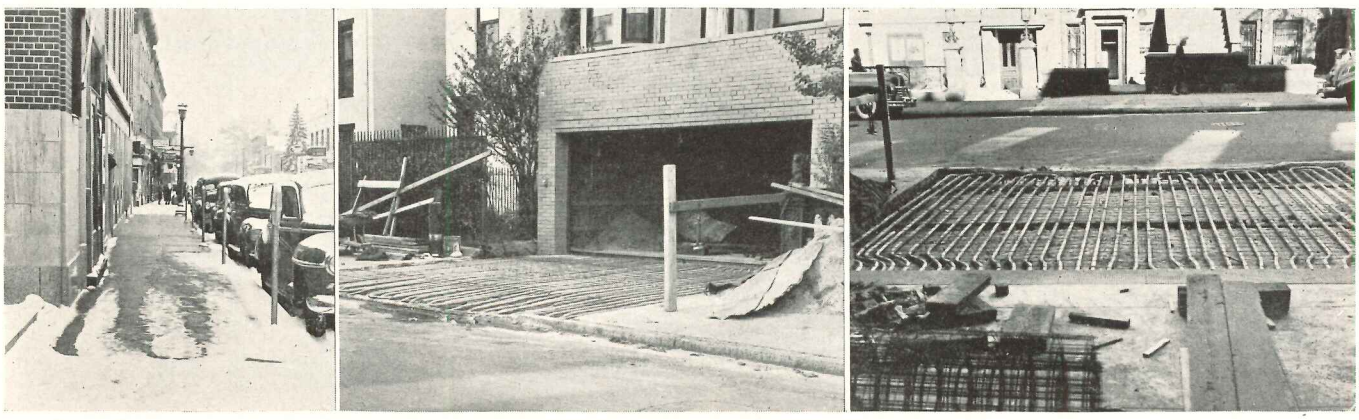
Snow was melted from the sidewalk (portion just beyond second parking meter) shown in the left photo simply by flicking a switch. Electric heating cable placed inside steel conduit supplies heat to this sidewalk which is in front of the Rockland Light and Power Co. building in Nyack, N. Y. Conduit protects the cable and permits replacement if the cable fails. The other photos show how the system was installed in a driveway for a garage in Brooklyn, N. Y.

The lead-sheathed heating cable used comes in 60- and 120-ft lengths for 120 and 240 v, respectively; rating of the 60 ft cable is 420 watts. Maximum sheath temperature is 165 F.

Spacing of the 1-in. galvanized conduit is based on a load of 32 w per sq ft, which is sufficient to melt a snowfall of 1 in. per hr at an air temperature of 26 F. The conduit on these jobs was spaced 6 in. on center and buried about 1½ in. below the concrete surface.

Conduits terminate in a pull box with copper terminal strips for the cables.

According to Mario F. Muzzillo, New York City consulting engineer who designed these installations, initial cost is about $2.00 per sq ft (New York City), and annual operation cost (100 hr) for 1000 sq ft would cost $64 at 2 cents per kwh.



# HARDWARE—10; DOOR CLOSING DEVICES

*By Seymour Howard, Architect,* with the cooperation of American Society of Architectural Hardware Consultants

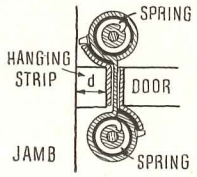
## SPRING HINGES

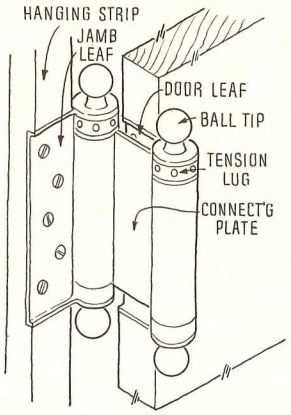
Simplest closing device. Energy stored in spring closes door. No closing speed control unless additional device is used, such as surface type door check without spring.

### DOUBLE ACTING SPRING BUTT HINGES

Note: Also available with button tip

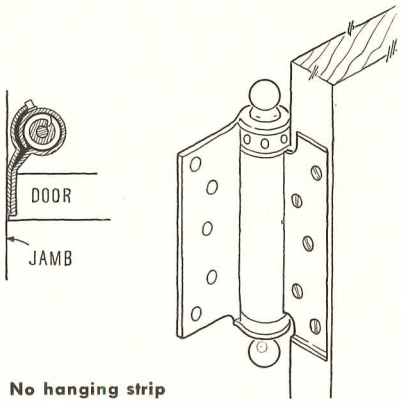
**Double Acting**




**With hanging strip**

Also available with clamp flanges and bolts for kalamein doors.




**No hanging strip**

### SINGLE ACTING SPRING BUTT HINGES

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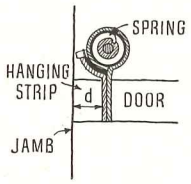
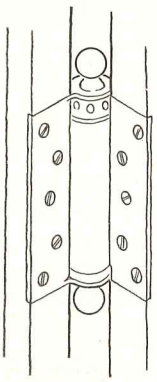
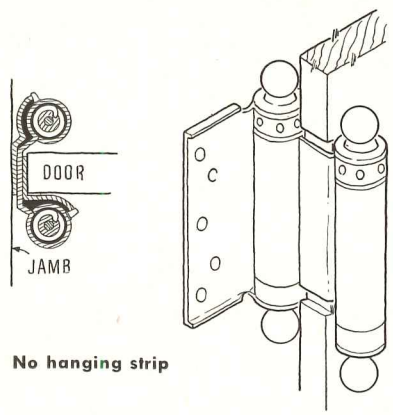


**With hanging strip**

(If jamb face is in line with door face, this type can be used without additional hanging strip)
Also available as half surface hinge for kalamein doors with pressed steel jambs (4, 6, and 7 in. sizes)




**No hanging strip**

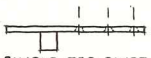
| SIZES OF SPRING BUTT HINGES | Size | Min Door Thickness | Max Door Thickness Wood | Max Door Thickness Metal | Max Door Width | Max Door Weight | Depth (d) Hanging Strip (if required) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Note: Check all information and details for exact cases carefully with mfr.'s catalogs. | 3″ | ¾″ | 1″ | ⅞″ | 2′–2″ | 30 lb. | ½″ |
| | 4 | ⅞ (1) | 1¼ | 1⅛ | 2–4 | 42 | ⅝ |
| Variations in door thickness for hinges of different mfrs. shown in parentheses. | 5 | 1⅛ (1) | 1½ | 1⅜ | 2–6 | 56 | ⅝ |
| | 6 | 1¼ (1⅛) | 1¾ | 1½ | 2–8 | 72 | ¾ |
| * For hanging strip only. | 7 | 1¾ (1¼) | 2 | 1¾ | 2–9 | 90 | ⅞ |
| | 8 | 1½ | 2¼ | 2 | 2–10 | 110 | 1 |
| | 10 | 1¾ | 2½ | 2⅛ | 3–0 | 150 | 1⅛ |
| | 12* | 2¼ | 3 | 2⅝ | 3–2 | 190 | 1¼ |

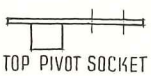
**General Rules**

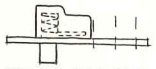
1. Use largest size hinge that thickness of hardwood and kalamein doors will permit
2. Use min door thickness only for light wood doors
3. Use three hinges for doors that are extra heavy or frequently used. Place third hinge down ⅓ distance between upper and lower hinges.

### SPRING PIVOT HINGES

**Double Acting**



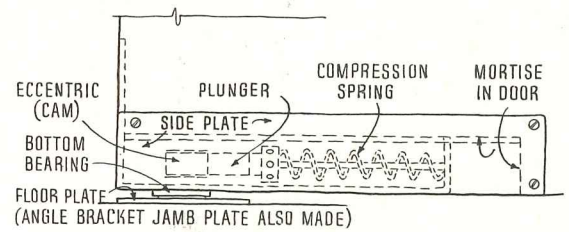




NOTE: TOP PIVOTS MAY BE USED WITH ANY CENTER-PIVOTED DOOR

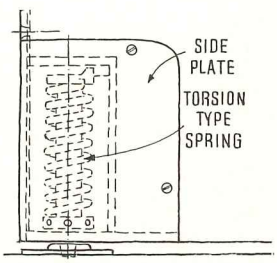
**Horizontal Type**

For doors 1⅛ to 2¾ in. thick




**Vertical Type**

For doors 1⅛ to 2¾ in. thick



# HARDWARE—11; DOOR CLOSING DEVICES

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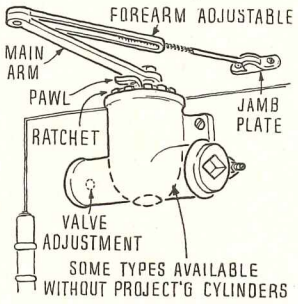
## DOOR CHECKS (CLOSERS)

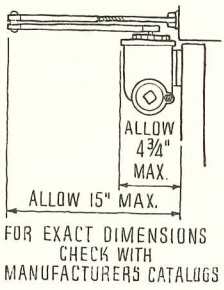


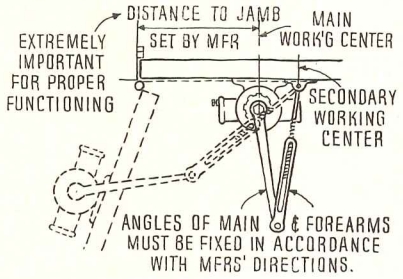

### Surface Type

*Dimensions approx. Check with mfr. for exact sizes*

Angle to which door may be opened is set by: closer to jamb distance; length of main arm (may be available in different sizes) and fore arm (adjustable); jamb and butt conditions; projection of closer. When specifying, state max opening angle desired.

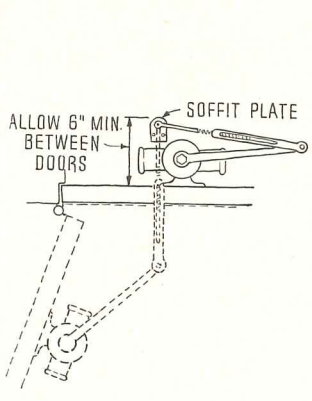
## OVERHEAD CLOSERS



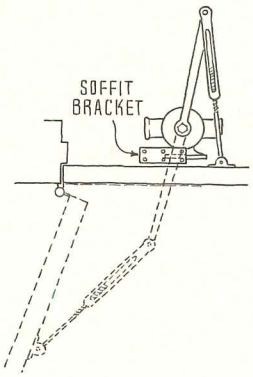

**Mounted on door, hinge side, with regular (exposed) arm.**

Door weight carried on hinges or pivots



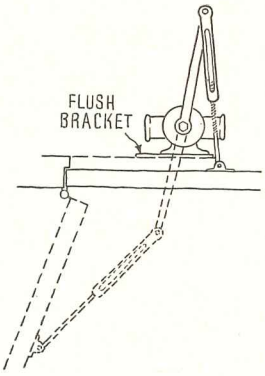

### Parallel Arm

Mounted on stop side of door. Used where min clearance is required; e.g. between two doors. Effective power reduced; use next larger size.



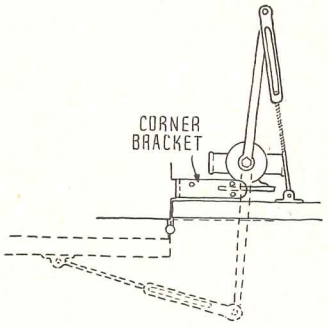

### Soffit Bracket

Soffit bracket usual type. Distance from jamb to main working center maintained for full effectiveness.




### Flush Bracket

Flush type mounted on face of opposite side when soffit is narrow. Working center distance maintained.



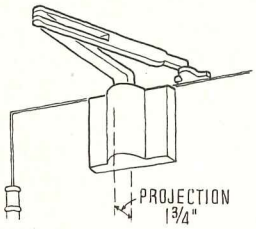

### Corner Bracket

Corner bracket used to obtain 180° opening or for less obstruction. Effective power reduced; use next larger size.

*Mounted on brackets on stop side to keep closer out of weather, to hide, or when trim interferes.*

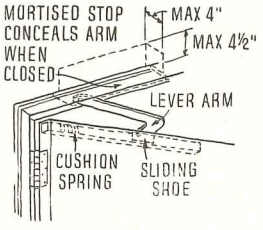
Special Arms Available: Two or three point hold open arms for hospitals (private—about 10° for ventilation; semi-private—about 45°; passage—about 95°); and hold open arms with fusible links for automatic closing in case of fire. Hold open arms cannot always be depended on for exterior doors opening out; use separate holder if necessary.

### Semi-Concealed Type

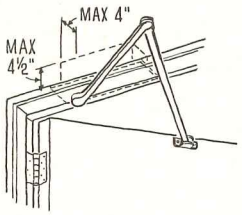



Partly mortised into upper door rail. Usually requires 1¾ in. wood, 1½ in. metal door.

### Fully Concealed Type




Housed in head above door. For doors on hinges, offset or center pivots.




Housed in head above door. Projecting arm gives greater power than concealed arm. Door on hinges or pivots. Arm projects on stop side. Also used on outswinging wood doors when door top is not weather protected.

### Sizes of Overhead Door Closers *(From Dept. of Commerce CS22–40)*

*Where strong drafts are encountered and as noted above under bracket and parallel arm installations, use next larger size.*

| Size | Description, Max Door Size (Approx.) |
|---|---|
| I | Ordinary screen, light interior doors 1⅛ in. by 2 ft-6 in. by 6 ft-6 in. |
| II | Heavy screen doors, 1⅜ in. by 3 ft by 7 ft<br>Light interior doors, 1⅜ in. by 2 ft-8 in. by 7 ft<br>Closet doors, 1¾ in. by 2 ft-8 in. by 7 ft |
| III | Light exterior doors, 1¾ in. by 2 ft-6 in. by 7 ft<br>Corridor or office doors, 1¾ in. by 3 ft by 7 ft |
| IV | Ordinary exterior doors, 1¾ in. by 3 ft by 7 ft-6 in.<br>Heavy interior doors, 2¼ in. by 4 ft by 7 ft-6 in. |
| V | Heavy exterior doors, 2¼ in. by 3 ft-6 in. by 7 ft-6 in.<br>Heavy interior doors subject to strong drafts |
| VI | Extra heavy entrance doors 3 in. thick or over, or doors of unusual height or width, refrig. doors, etc. |

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# PRODUCTS for Better Building

### *For the Betterment of Builders' Hardware*

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### *Ash Removal Hoist*

The *P&H Zip-Lift Electric Hoist*, operating on the boom principle, is recommended by the manufacturers for use in ash removal from basements in large buildings. The 24-ft lift of the jib-mounted hoist is said to be ample to remove loaded ash cans weighing up to 400 lb from an 18-ft deep pit, to a height sufficient for easy loading on trucks. The hoist operates on standard 110-v current, and may be had in capacities up to 2000 lb for this and other services. Harnischfeger Corp., Hoist Div., 4400 W. National Ave., Milwaukee 14, Wisc.

### *Storm Sash and Screen Unit*

The *Eagle-Picher Triple Slide* storm window combines two glass panes and a screen which move up and down independently of one another, each along an individual channel. The unit was designed to allow quick and easy changes to be made to suit any kind of weather. Frames are all aluminum or aluminum and stainless steel. An aluminum sealer strip closes the space between the storm window and the primary window frame. Each of the sash inserts is removable for washing from the inside of the house. A safety lock is provided on the bottom of the screen unit. Eagle-Picher Co., Cincinnati 1, Ohio.

### *Brick-Faced Concrete Block*

*Bric-Block* combines standard concrete block with a brick facing. The blocks are available in a great variety of colors, shades and ashlar designs, and the usual types of face textures used in brick construction.

Tests made with the material showed that after 8 cycles of freezing and thawing the brick face did not separate from the blocks, nor were there any signs of cracks in the face. Features cited include good insulation value; fire-proof, damp-proof and weather-tight; and little maintenance. Bric-Block of Newark, Inc., 430 Adams St., Newark, N. J.

### *Asbestos-Cement Shingles*

*Stri-Tex*, a new asbestos-cement siding shingle, is designed for exterior application on either new or old side walls. The finish is said to have a striated texture, with colorful mineral granules embedded in the surface. The material is currently available in brown, green and gray. The Flintkote Co., 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20, N. Y.

### *Industrial Floor Tile*

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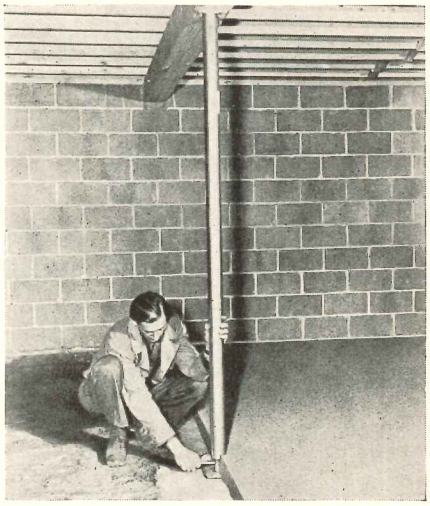

*Plastic-coated steel post serves both as temporary and permanent support column*

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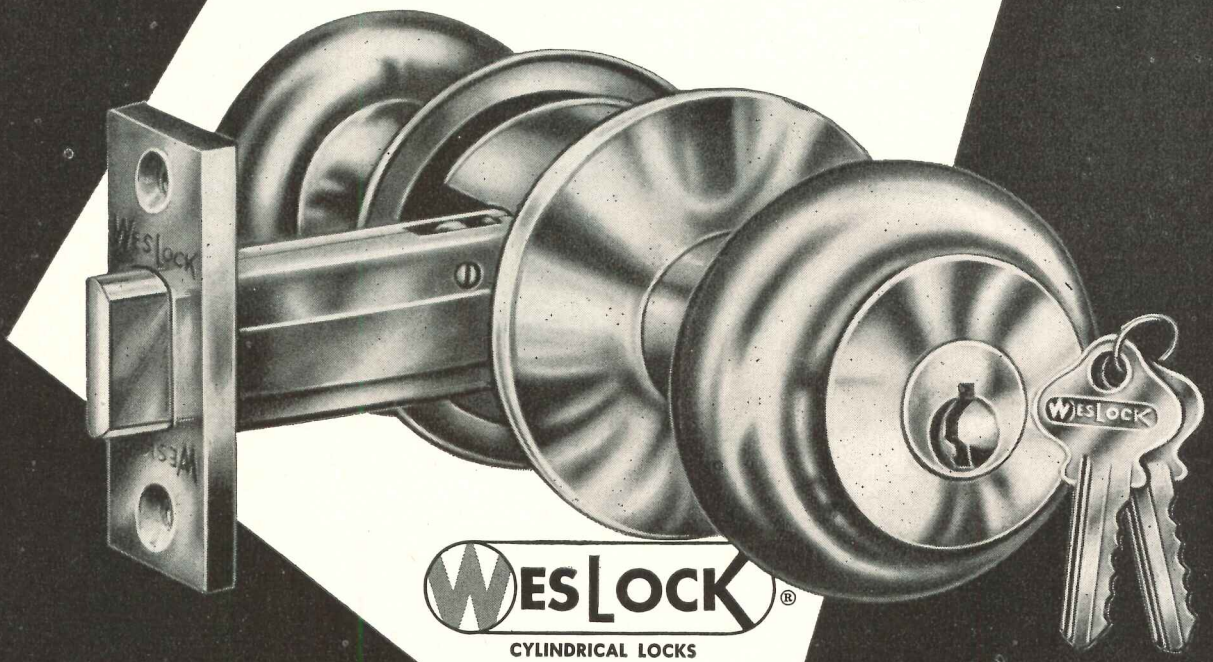


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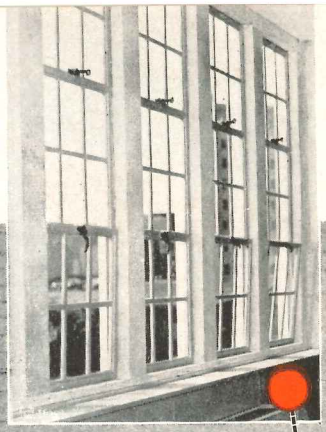

Grilled Window Stool installation over recessed radiators, installed by Dillaby Fireproofing Co., in Emmanuel College Science Bldg., Boston. *Maginnis & Walsh, Architects, Boston, Massachusetts.*

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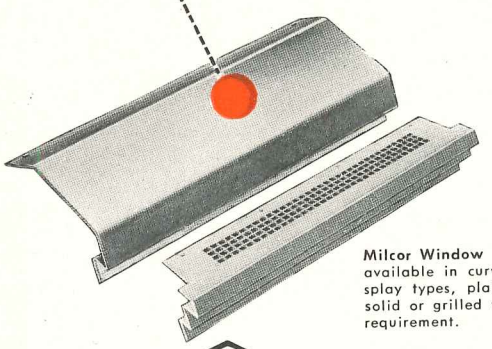

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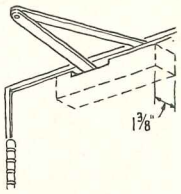
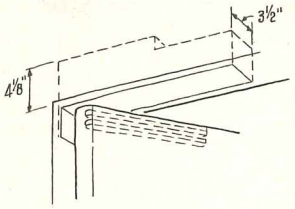
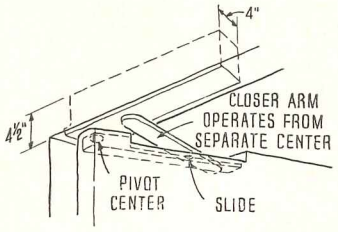
## Fully Concealed Overhead Door Closers (Continued)




Housed in door. For interior doors only. Also available with concealed arm. Door hung on hinges or pivots.

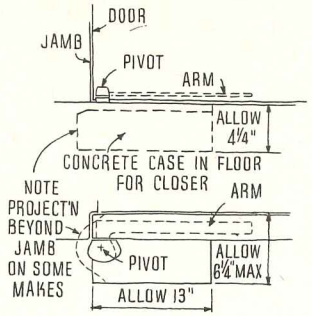



For double acting interior doors, hung on center pivots. Housed in head above door.



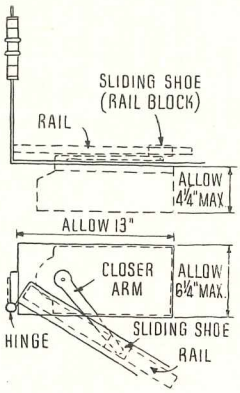

For heavy and exterior double acting doors, hung on center pivots. Housed in head above door.

## FLOOR CLOSERS (CHECKING FLOOR HINGES, FLOOR CHECKS)

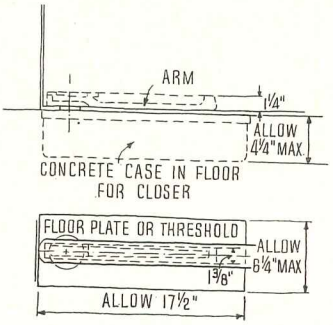



**Single Acting On Offset Pivots**

Weight carried on closer spindle. Also available with separate closer arm operating from centerline of door.




**Single Acting on Butt Hinges**




**Double Acting On Center Pivots**

Similar type available for single acting on center pivots (Mechanism is simpler. Only 13 in. length of case needed).

The above type closer is also available with closer arm operating from separate center (weight of door not carried on closer spindle).

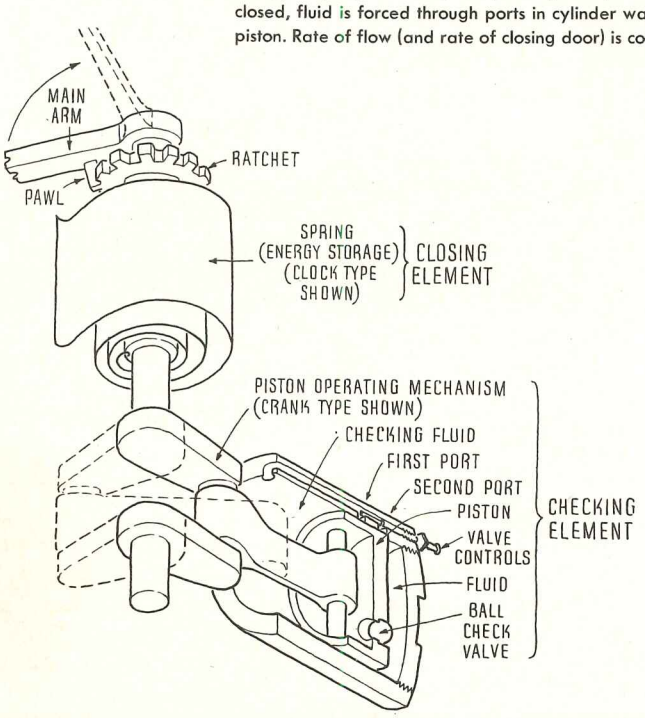
*See mfr.'s catalogs for sizes required for specific doors and for exact dimensions*

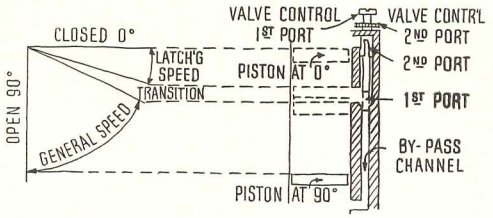
## PRINCIPLES OF CLOSER MECHANISMS

Designs vary with mfr. and position of closer. Basic operating principle is common to all:

**Opening Door:**
Energy is stored in spring; shaft, through connecting mechanism, moves a piston, displacing checking fluid through a ball check valve.

**Closing Door:**
Energy in spring rotates spindle, closing door; at same time piston is moved back. With ball check closed, fluid is forced through ports in cylinder wall into by-pass channel leading to other side of piston. Rate of flow (and rate of closing door) is controlled by valves.

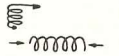


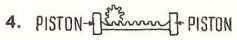

**Latching speed may be:**
1. Same as general speed
2. Greater than general speed to overcome latch-point resistance (strong draft or latch spring)
3. Less than general speed for silent closing.

**Spring May be:**
1. Spiral wound, flat band (clock type)
2. Helical wound, circular, oval or flat wire.

A. Torison type
B. Compression type



**Piston Operating Mechanism May Be:**
1. Crank type (as shown)
2. Cam type (usual in floor closers)
3. Semi Rack and pinion
4. Full rack and pinion
5. Rotary position
6. Diamond block.



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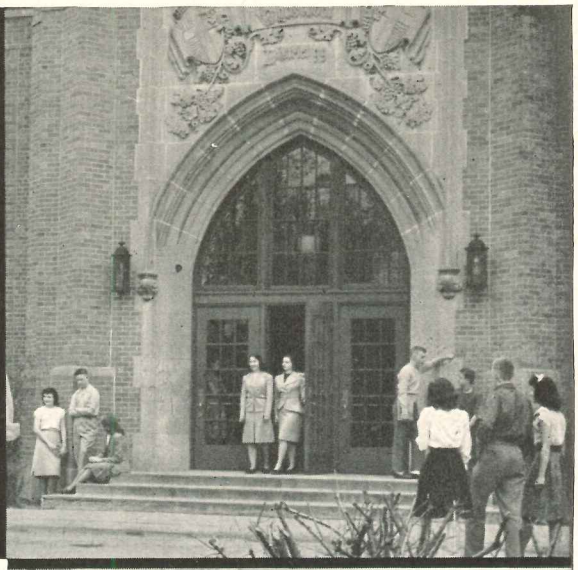

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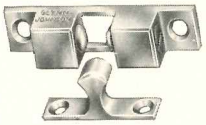

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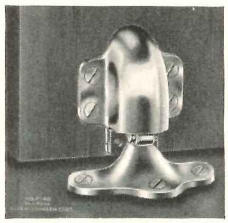

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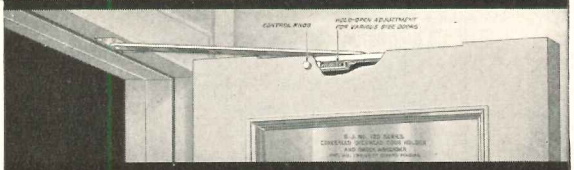

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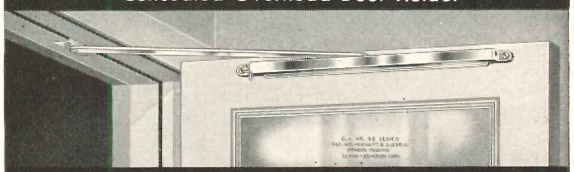

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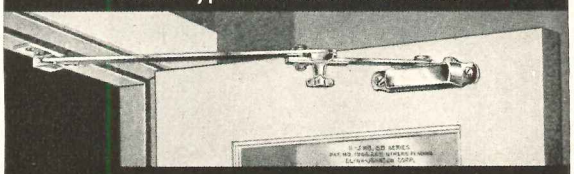

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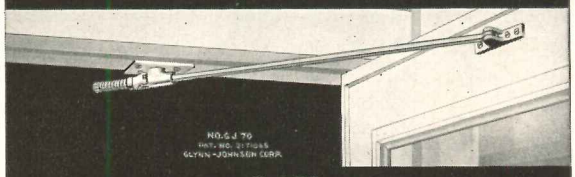


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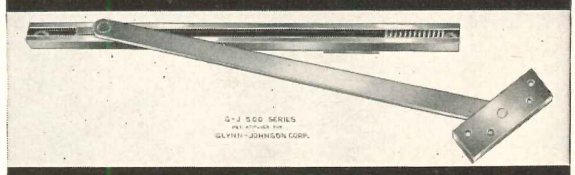

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# HEATING SYSTEMS FOR HOUSES

## *Convector Baseboard Heating Systems: 4—Design Of System*

*By William J. McGuinness*
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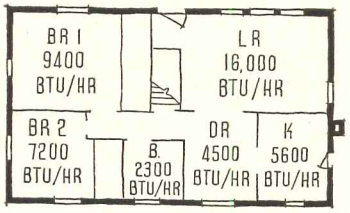
This is the second of two parts on convector baseboard heating, and presents a simplified design procedure for a typical small house installation. Part I, covering basic data and layouts of the system, appeared in the March 1950 Time-Saver Standards.

Room heat loss is computed in the same manner as for other conventional heating systems. The system is very economical of pipe since most of it is in the heated space. Credit can be taken for the heat emission of bare pipe behind base. This and the finned areas of convectors make up heat loss in each room. Length of the convector will depend on its rating. Many designers feel that the lower output convectors are desirable because they come closer to filling up the length of the entire exterior wall, thus distributing heat better. A similar argument is offered for use of lower water temperatures. Convectors which discharge at the front cause less wall streaking but are slightly less efficient. Selection of pump and pipe sizes follows closely the usual procedure in designing radiator-type forced hot water systems. High points must be vented and low points drained Convectors and loops are run level. It is advantageous for incidental piping to pitch to drains. Lengths obtainable vary with manufacturers, but usually units come in multiples of 6 in. The base which covers the unit can often be cut to exact size on the job. Controls are not possible within a circuit except by dampers in some models. The several circuits in a large system can be balanced with valves or zoned by the use of separate pumps.

### DESIGN OF A SERIES LOOP, FORCED HOT WATER SYSTEM USING BASEBOARD CONVECTORS

**Step 1.** Compute hourly heat loss. This computation is the usual one and is not affected by use of baseboard convectors:




| | Btu/hr heat loss |
|---|---|
| Living Room | 16,000 |
| Bedroom 1 | 9,400 |
| Bedroom 2 | 7,200 |
| Bath | 2,300 |
| Dining | 4,500 |
| Kitchen | 5,600 |
| Total | 45,000 Btu/hr |

**Step 2.** Establish average water temperature and temperature drop in system:

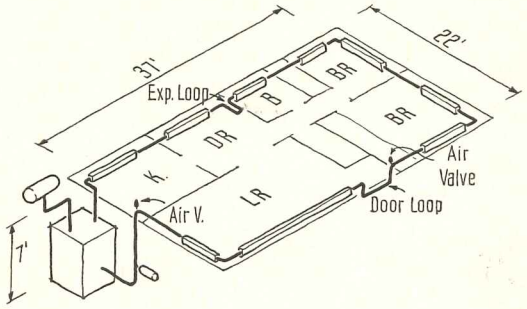
| | |
|---|---|
| Average temperature | 180 deg |
| Temperature drop | 20 deg |

**Step 3.** Compute gallons per minute (GPM) to be circulated at 20 deg drop to make up heat loss:

$$\frac{45{,}000 \text{ Btu/hr}}{9{,}600 \text{ (Factor)}} = 4.7 \text{ GPM}$$

For an explanation of step 3 and of factor 9,600 see Time Saver Standards, 2-Pipe Forced Hot Water Systems, Nov. 1949.

**Step 4.** Make layout and dimensioned pipe drawing to establish measured length and equivalent total length:




Actual Circuit Length:

| | |
|---|---|
| Length | 37 |
| | 37 |
| Width | 22 |
| | 22 |
| Height | 7 |
| | 7 |
| | 132 ft |

Total equivalent length to include resistance of fittings, boiler, etc:
132 x 1.50 (add 50 per cent) = 197 ft
*Say 200 ft.*

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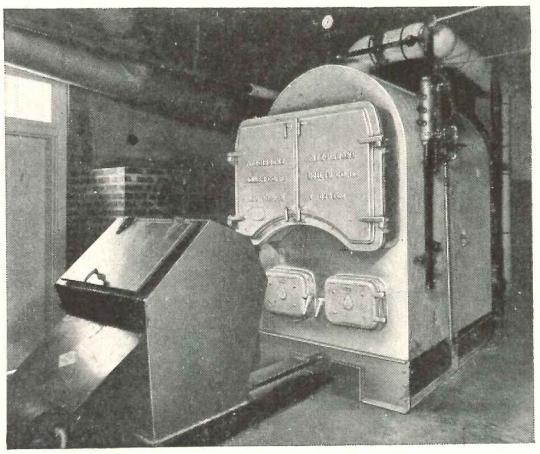

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### DESIGN OF A SERIES LOOP, FORCED HOT WATER SYSTEM USING BASEBOARD CONVECTORS

**Step 5.** Select pump and establish "head" against which it must pump:

See Time Saver Standards, Nov. 1949, Booster Capacity, Chart 1.

A 1-in. pump will deliver 4.7 GPM against 5.5 ft of head.

**Step 6.** Select size of main:

Consult Time Saver Standards, Forced Hot Water Systems, Sept. 1949, Table 1 Sec. A, which also applies to this type of circuit. With an equivalent length of 200 ft and a head of 5½ ft, the pressure drop per ft will be 350 millinches.

Section "B" of this table shows that a 1-in. pipe will supply 59,000 Btu/hr at a 20 deg drop. This is adequate and a *1-in. main* will be selected. The capacity is found in the 350-millinch column.

**Step 7.** Select type of baseboard and by its output, compute the length required in each room:

For example, use Dumham "BOTS"; output at 180 F is 636 Btu/ft.

$$\frac{\text{Room heat loss}}{\text{Output/ft}} = \text{Length}$$

An "adjustment" (see below) is often used to increase the second and third divisions of the circuit 7½ and 15 per cent respectively. For this purpose, the circuit is divided roughly into 3 parts. The increase offsets the lower temperatures at end of line.

| Space | Heat Loss | Length "BOTS" | Adjust-ment | Revised length to be used |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| L. R. | 16,000 | 25.0 ft | None | 25.0 ft |
| B. R. 1 | 9,400 | 15.0 | x 1.075 | 16.0 |
| B. R. 2 | 7,200 | 11.5 | x 1.075 | 12.5 |
| Bath | 2,300 | 3.6 | x 1.150 | 4.0 |
| D. R. | 4,500 | 7.1 | x 1.150 | 8.0 |
| K. | 5,600 | 8.8 | x 1.150 | 10.0 |

**Step 8.** Select expansion tank:

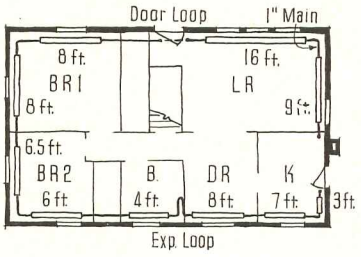
| *Btu Load* | *Tank Size* |
|---|---|
| 80,000/hr | 8 Gals |
| 150,000 | 15 |
| 180,000 | 18 |

An 8-gal tank is used.

**Step 9.** Select boiler:

Total heat loss of 45,000 Btu/hr and type of firing will be used in selecting boiler. Manufacturers make allowance for pipe-loss, pick-up and normal domestic hot water demand.

**Step 10.** Lay out system:




**Notes:** Heat emission of bare pipe has been neglected in this design, so system is slightly overdesigned.

Non-ferrous convectors can be used in series with fin-type baseboard elements. The size of these convectors is determined by their output rating at the average water temperature of the system.

180 deg average temperature is desirable for comfort and cleanliness. Higher temperature would make possible shorter units with resulting economy of installation.

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*How to Select an Acoustical Material.* Booklet discusses acoustical correction and noise-reduction, and presents a line of materials, with description, sound-absorption coefficients and photographs of each. Sketches and details give data on installation by cementing, nailing, or mechanical suspension. 16 pp., illus. Armstrong Cork Co., Building Materials Div., Lancaster, Penn.*

### *Evaporative Cooler*

*Comfort Air Washer Answers the Need for Economical Summer Cooling.* Folder describes and gives features of the Comfort Air Washer. Diagrams and photographs explain operation. Specification tables and drawings are given for four sizes of the unit. 6 pp., illus. Comfort Products Corp., 2220 Lamesa, Dallas 2, Tex.

**Other product information in Sweets's File, 1950*

### *Aluminum Siding*

*Kaiser Aluminum Siding Technical Information and Engineering Details.* Booklet includes architectural drawings of various eave and window details, methods of application at exterior and interior corners, and foundation and frieze board details. Description of the siding is also given, with specifications, heat transmission coefficients, accessories, and general construction information. Renderings illustrate applications of the siding in various types of construction. 16 pp., illus. Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Sales, Inc., 1924 Broadway, Oakland 12, Calif.

### *Steel Boiler*

*Kewanee Square-Heat Type R (Catalog 88-8).* Presents features and operation notes on the boiler unit. Photographs, cut-away renderings and dimensioned drawings are included for various internal and external parts. Several tables give data for hand-fired coal, oil, gas or stoker operation. 8 pp., illus. Kewanee Boiler Corp., Kewanee, Ill.*

### *Radiant Heating Coils*

*(1) Kritzer Fin-Tube Radiant Coils for Radiant Panel Heating; (2) Kritzer Radiant Baseboard Heating.* The first of these pamphlets shows step by step method of installing the heating coils in enclosed joist and stud spaces in ceilings, floors or walls. A schematic drawing shows a typical arrangement of heat circulation in a small house.

The second pamphlet gives data and construction details on a baseboard heating unit. Installation notes and drawings are also given. 4 pp., 6 pp., illus., Kritzer Radiant Coils, Inc., 2901 Lawrence Ave., Chicago 25, Ill.

### *Metal Louvers and Jalousies*

*Lemlar for Leadership in Daylight Engineering.* Booklet describes line of metal Venetian awnings, vertical and horizontal louvers and jalousies for interior and exterior use. Models are shown with both fixed and movable vanes. Detailed drawings are included for each type, together with construction notes. Many photographs and drawings show typical installations. 18 pp., illus. Lemlar Manufacturing Co., P. O. Box 352, Gardena, Calif.

### *Storage Units*

*BSC, the Herman Miller System of Basic Storage Components.* Brochure contains specifications, drawings, sizes, finish and related data on cabinet units for use in built-in storage walls and compartments. The units include drawers, shelves, panel doors, drop leaves, and radio and phonograph compartments in varying sizes. Several photographs show typical installations in carpenter-built frames. 16 pp., illus. The Herman Miller Furniture Co., Zeeland, Mich.

### *Nailing Channels*

*The Nailock Method for all Suspended Ceiling Construction and for Furring for all Types of Nailable Materials (Catalog N-2).* Describes the nailing channels, lock clips and strips, and special nails. Basic methods of use and installation data are covered with drawings, notes and photographs. Specifications and a listing of distributors are also included. 8 pp., illus. The Sanymetal Products Co., Inc., 1701 Urbana Rd., Cleveland 12, Ohio.*

### *Sliding Door Hardware*

*Sterling Hardware for Sliding Doors (Catalog No. 11).* Covers a line of hangers, tracks and hardware for sliding doors. Features and installation notes are listed for each, along with detailed plan and section drawings, and tables of sizes. Data is included for both by-passing and pocket doors. 8 pp., illus. Sterling Hardware Manufacturing Co., 2345 Nelson St., Chicago 18, Ill.

### *Appliance Venting*

*Venting Domestic Gas Appliances* Four articles by Carl H. Dean, reprinted from the American Gas Journal, on the creation of venting standards for gas heaters and appliances. The series, by analyzing the problems presented and discussing research findings on the

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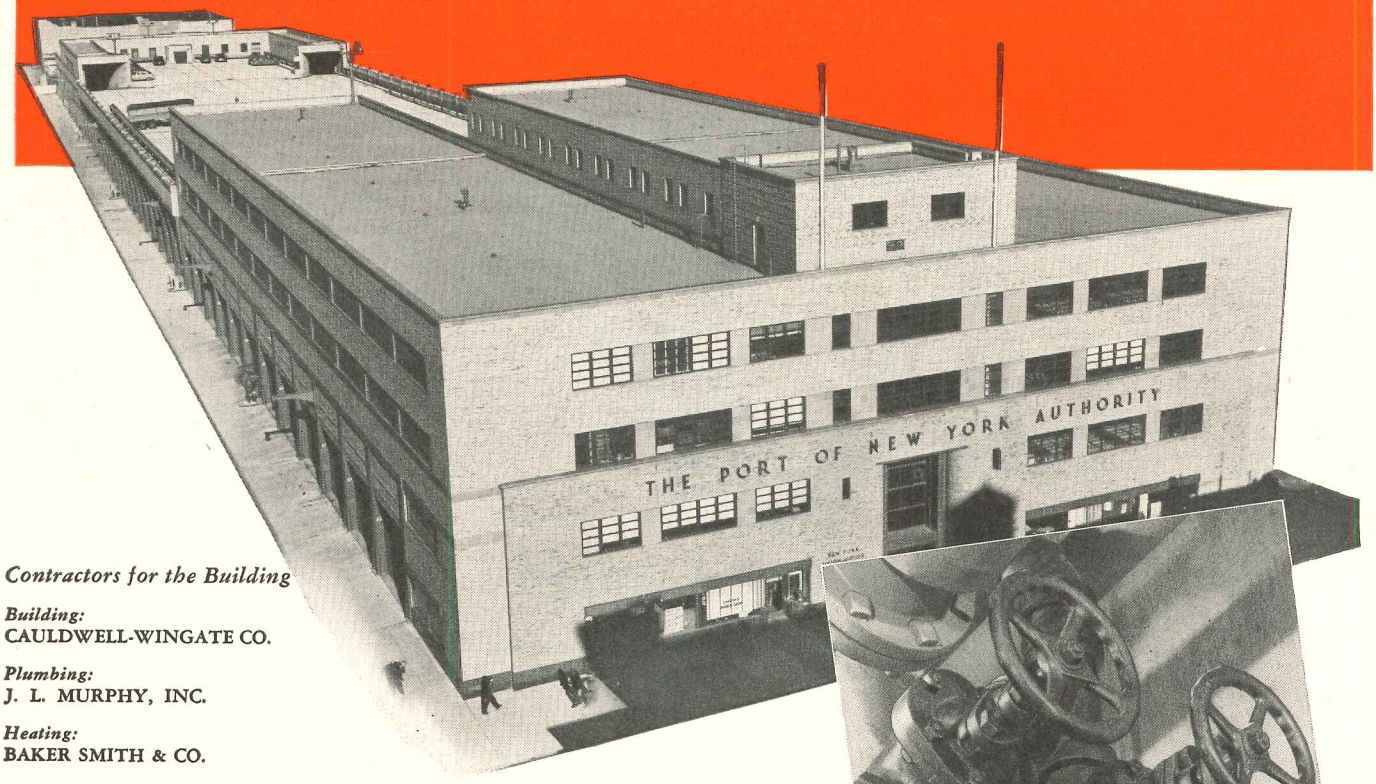


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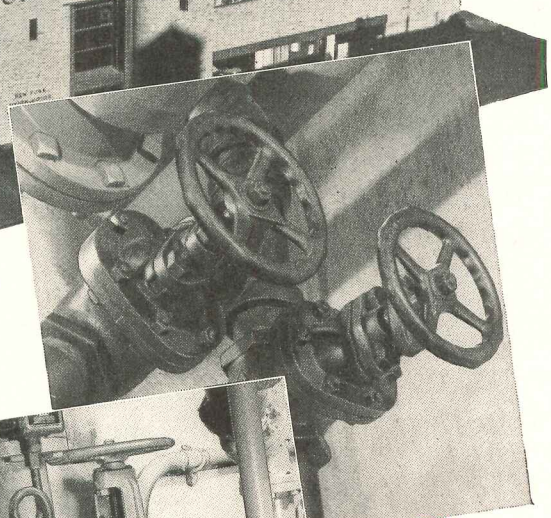

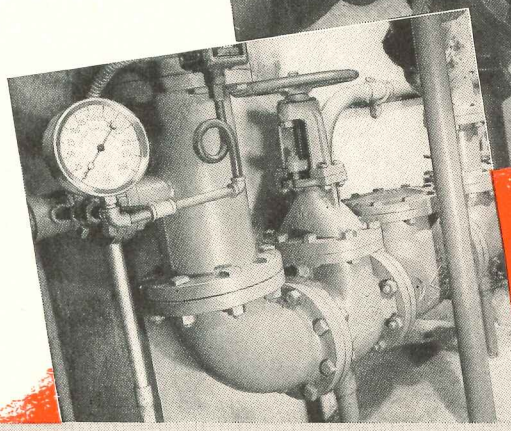

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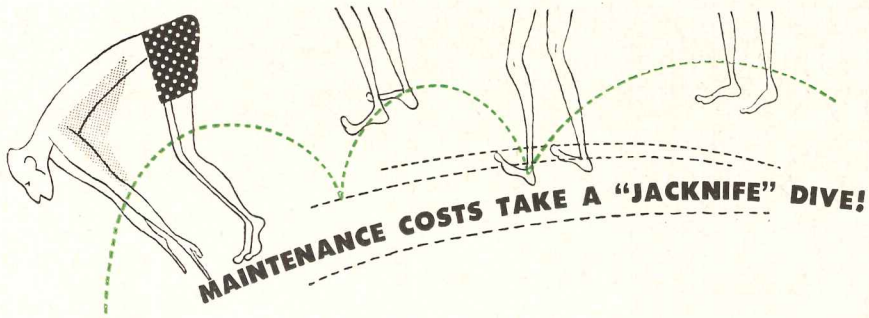

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lowed to interfere. A visitor from a foreign architectural school who came to see the department at Yale recently expressed the opinion that our emphasis on free individual development in design is superior to the European emphasis on technical training. It would seem that some just mean between the two could be found, and that is what we must look for."

### *Architecture Department at Illinois Gets Merit Award*

Award to the Department of Architecture of the University of Illinois of the 30th medal award for scholastic merit of the American Group, The Société des Architectes Diplomes, P.L.G.F., has been announced.

The award, which was presented at the midwinter Commencement exercises of the university, is made "for exceptional excellence of the work of its faculty and students during the scholastic year 1948–1949."

The medal is given annually as a stimulus to the architectural schools of the country.

Previous awards have gone to Carnegie Institute of Technology, Catholic University, Columbia University, Georgia Institute of Technology, Harvard, Yale, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania. The University of Illinois had won it four times previously.

### *Welding Engineering Session Is Planned at Ohio State*

Some 300 engineers, designers and production supervisors from Ohio and neighboring states are expected to attend the 11th meeting of the Ohio State Welding Engineering Conference at the university April 14 and 15.

"Economy in Design and Production" is the theme of this year's conference, which will deal with design in the first day's session and with production methods in the second.

Speakers will include W. R. Plummer, Progressive Welder Co., Detroit; William J. Phillips, director, Product Development Dept., Steel Founders' Society, Cleveland; A. T. Waidelich, vice president and manager, Research Division, The Austin Co., Cleveland; Dr. Finn Jonassen, technical director, Committee on Ship Steel, National Research Council; E. C. Brekelbaum, chief

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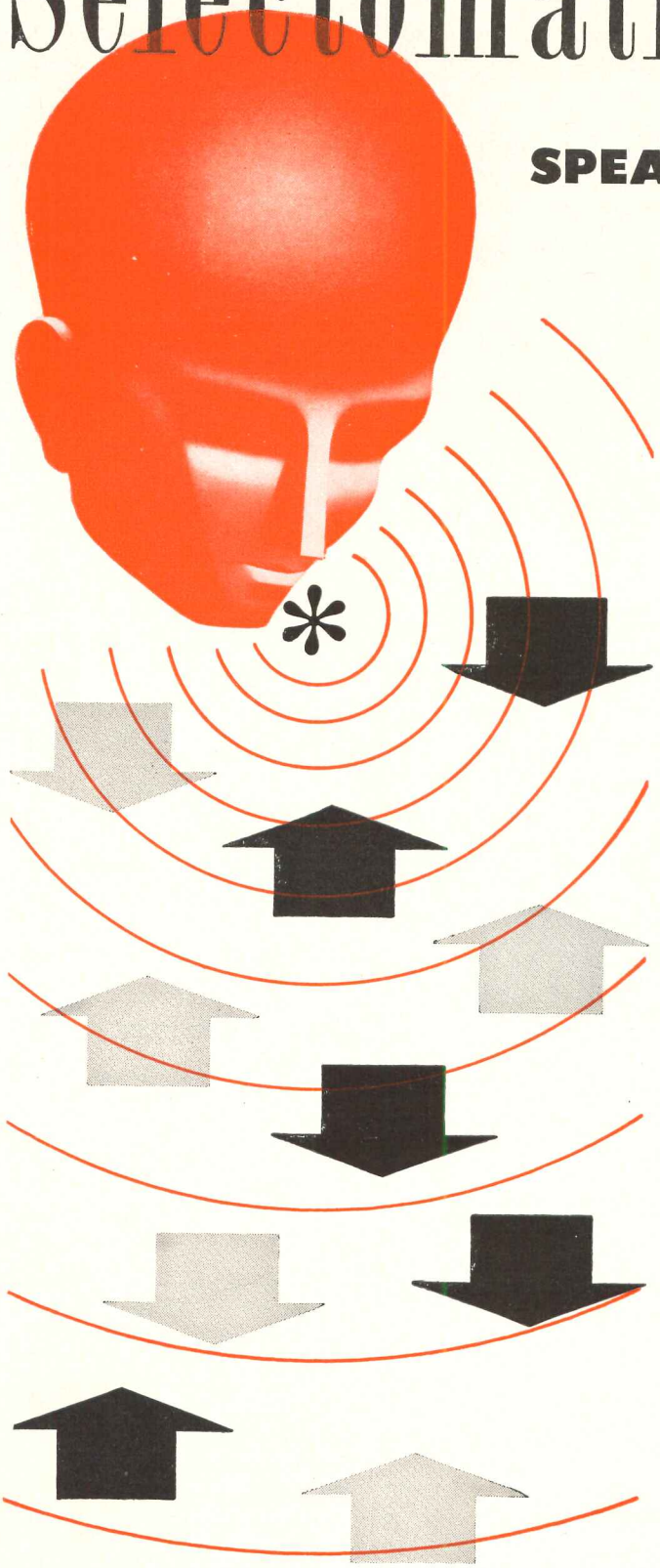

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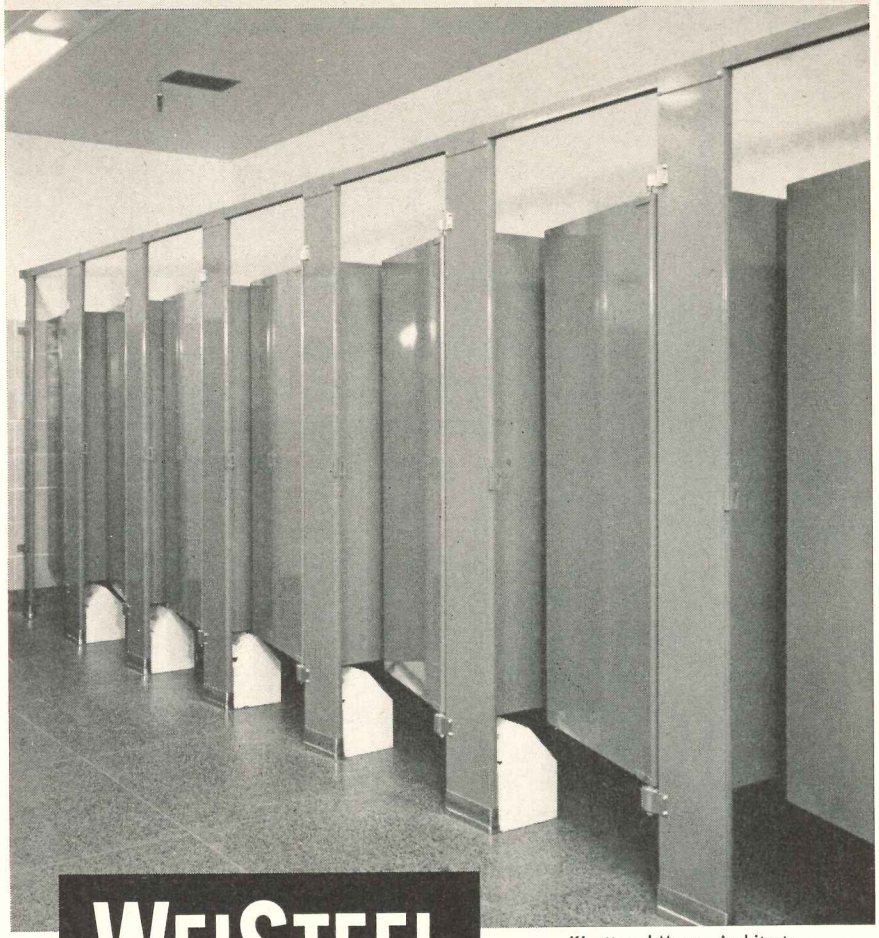

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engineer, Harnischfeger Corp., Milwaukee; Arthur B. Tesmen, development engineer, North American Phillips Co., New York; G. C. Kiefer, associate director of research, Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp., Brackenridge, Pa.; and Lew Gilbert, editor of *Industry and Welding.*

Reservations for the conference can be made through the Department of Welding, Ohio State University, Columbus 10, Ohio.

### *Special Courses*

• A new program in city planning, leading to the degree of Master of City Planning, has been established in Yale University's Department of Architecture.

The new program will begin next September and will require two years of study on the graduate level. It will be open to a limited number of architects, landscape architects, civil engineers and others who already hold a professional degree in a related field.

Christopher Tunnard, associate professor of city planning, will be director of planning studies in the program. He has headed the section on city planning in the Department of Architecture for the past five years.

The graduate program will be an expansion of the city planning courses offered at Yale since 1937. "While the student will be occupied largely with a required curriculum in physical planning, he will also be encouraged to develop a broad frame of reference by taking appropriate courses in the related subjects of urban sociology, government, public health and other social sciences," Mr. Tunnard says.

• Next session of the daytime Hardware Consultants Training Course offered by the Midtown Business Center of the City College of New York will be held from April 11 to May 12.

Sponsored by the American Society of Architectural Hardware Consultants and the National Contract Hardware Association, this course concentrates 150 hours of class work in sessions held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day during the five-week period.

Applications for admission to the course should be addressed to the Supervisor of Admissions, City College Midtown Business Center, 430 W. 50th St., New York 19, N. Y.

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• The landscape architecture curriculum of the School of Architecture and Allied Arts at the University of Oregon has received full accrediting from the American Society of Landscape Architects. Options in the curriculum lead to degrees in landscape architecture and urban planning.

### *Fellowships*

• Applications will be accepted until May 15 for the Kate Neal Kinley Memorial Fellowship for 1950–1951, which offers $1000 to be used for advanced study of the fine arts in this country or abroad.

The Fellowship is open to graduates in music, art or architecture of the College of Fine and Applied Arts of the University of Illinois and of similar institutions of equal standing.

While applicants generally should be not more than 24 years old on June 1, the committee reserves the right to deviate slightly from this provision in the case of very promising candidates, and veterans may deduct amount of time spent in service.

The Fellowship will be awarded on the basis of unusual promise in the fine arts as attested by: high attainment in the applicant's major field of study as shown by academic marks; high attainment in related cultural fields as shown by academic marks; excellence of personality, seriousness of purpose and good moral character.

Candidates proposing to do creative work must file with the committee examples of their work to substantiate their claims of unusual promise; and candidates proposing historical studies must satisfy the committee of their fitness to pursue such studies, either by submitting work already accomplished in the field or by filing a statement by the applicant outlining preparation, accomplishment and proposed work.

Applications may be obtained by addressing Dean Rexford Newcomb, College of Fine and Applied Arts, Room 110, Architecture Building, University of Illinois.

• The College of Architecture and Design of the University of Michigan has announced that applications for the George G. Booth Traveling Fellowship in Architecture will be received until May 15.

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No formal design competition will be held. Application forms will be issued on request to all graduates of Michigan's College of Architecture and Design who will be less than 30 years of age on May 15.

Inquiries about the Fellowship and requests for application forms should be addressed to: College of Architecture and Design, 207 Architecture Building, Ann Arbor, Mich.

## OFFICE NOTES

### *Offices Opened, Reopened*

• M. Davis Alexander announces the opening of an office at 4500-A Montrose Blvd., Houston 6, Tex., offering complete architectural specification service to architects.

• Hugo R. Broleman Jr., Architect, announces the opening of an office for the practice of architecture at 101 West Pine St., Orlando, Fla.

• Jacques E. Guiton has opened an office for the practice of architecture at 155 E. 40th St., New York 16, N. Y. A former partner in the Paris firm of Bazin, Guiton and Canteloup, Architects, Mr. Guiton was employed last year by Leonard Schultze & Assocs., New York City.

• H. Reid Hearn Jr., A.I.A., former chief architect for the Federal Housing Administration, State of South Carolina, announces the opening of his office for the practice of architecture at 1306 Main St., Columbia, S. C.

• Andrew E. Kuby Jr., Architect and Designer, has opened an office at 119 E. Calhoun St., Woodstock, Ill.

### *New Firms, Firm Changes*

• Fred C. Allen, for 25 years associated with Crane Co. and Armstrong Cork Co., announces the establishment of Building Materials Service, with offices at 101 Park Ave., Rm. 723–4, New York 17, N. Y.

• Frankel and Curtis, Architects and Engineers, have announced that, following the death of L. K. Frankel at Cincinnati on Nov. 27, 1949, the surviving member of the partnership, John J. Curtis, has arranged a new association with James S. Frankel and Melbourne Mills, both of whom have long been connected with the office of Frankel and Curtis. With offices remaining at 510 Central Bank Bldg., Lexington, Ky., the firm will continue the general practice of architecture, together with the engineering design of structural, heating, ventilating, air conditioning, plumbing and electrical work.

• The H. K. Ferguson Co., industrial engineers and builders, have announced acquisition of the O. D. Conover Engineering Co. of Cleveland, foundry design and construction specialists. The staff of the Conover organization will form the nucleus of a newly-established Foundry Division within the H. K. Ferguson Co. Oliver D. Conover, nationally-known foundry engineer who has directed the operations of his company since it was founded in 1932, will head the new Foundry Division.

• Robert Woods Kennedy, Architect, announces the formation of a new firm, Robert Woods Kennedy, Architect, and

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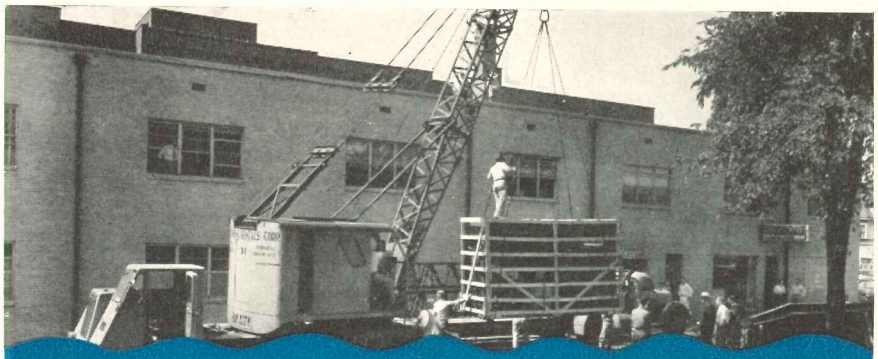

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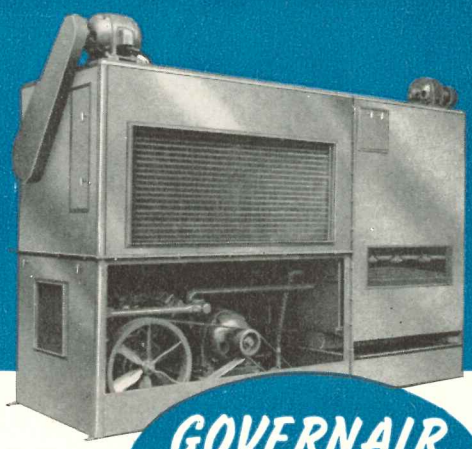

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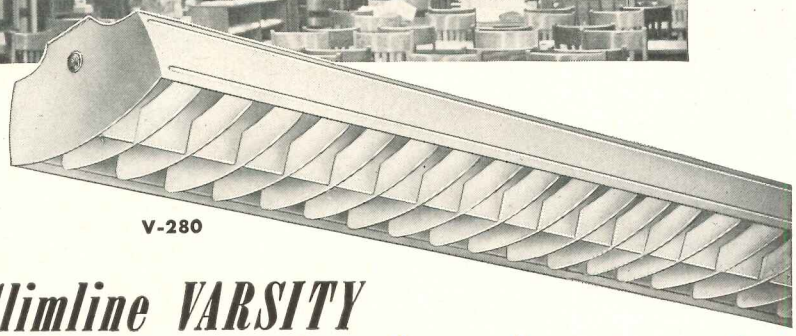

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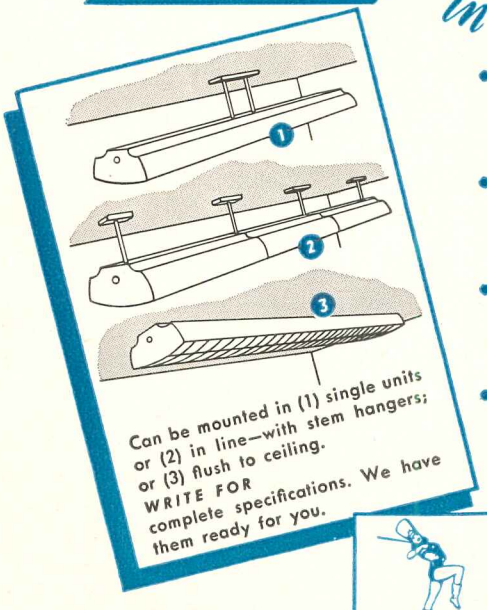


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Associates, Ronald Gourley, Richard Hamilton and Byron Franklin. The firm has offices at 687 Boylston St., Boston, Mass. Mr. Kennedy was formerly a member of the firm of Kennedy & Smith.

• A. V. McIver, Architect, has announced the admission to junior partnership of two members of his staff, William J. Hess and Knute S. Haugsjaa. The firm name will be A. V. McIver & Associates, Architects.

• James J. Pollard and Julian A. Altobellis announce the formation of the firm of Pollard and Altobellis, architects and engineers, with offices at 1207 Peachtree St., N.E., Atlanta, Ga.

• William G. Wells, A.I.A., A.S.C.E., and Richard L. Meagher, A.I.A., announce that the partnership under the firm title of Brown, Wells and Meagher is discontinued. Wells and Meagher, Architects and Engineers, with W. E. Allen, registered professional engineer, associate, will continue to practice in the same offices, at 118½ W. Campbell Ave., Roanoke, Va.

### *New Addresses*

The following new addresses have been announced:

David C. Baer, A.I.A., 1202 Bissonet, Houston, Tex.

Harford Field, A.I.A., 153 E. Front St., Traverse City, Mich.

Stuart Frost, Architect, 1 E. Putnam Ave., First National Bank Bldg., Greenwich, Conn.

Hall, Border and Donaldson, Architects, 2517 St. Paul St., Baltimore 18, Md.

Leon LeGrand, Architect, Rm. 110, Stokes Bldg., Greenville, S. C.

Laurence M. Loeb, Architect, 406 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains, N. Y.

Robert Nerem, Consulting Engineer, 624 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago 5, Ill.

New Jersey Chapter, The American Institute of Architects, and the New Jersey Society of Architects, executive headquarters, 27 Washington St., Newark 2, N. J.

Porter, Barry & Switzer, Consulting Engineers, 545 Lafayette St., Baton Rouge, La.

Eberle M. Smith Associates, Inc., 153 E. Elizabeth St., Detroit 1, Mich.

Bolton White, Architect, and Jack Hermann, Architect, 75 Castle St., San Francisco 11, Calif.

## ELECTIONS APPOINTMENTS

• Titus G. LeClair, assistant chief electrical engineer, Commonwealth Edison Co., Chicago, has been nominated to succeed James F. Fairman of New York as president of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. Mr. Fairman's term expires July 31.

• Officers for 1950 of Arthur D. Little, Inc., Cambridge, Mass., research and engineering organization, are: Earl P. Stevenson, president; Raymond Stevens and Leroy F. Marek, vice presidents; Howard J. Billings, treasurer; Frank N. Houghton, secretary and assistant treas-

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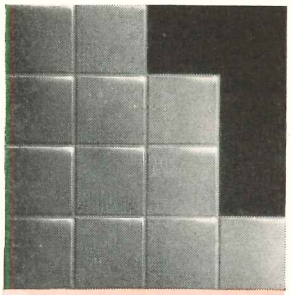

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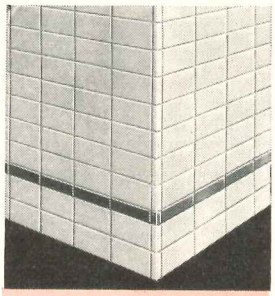

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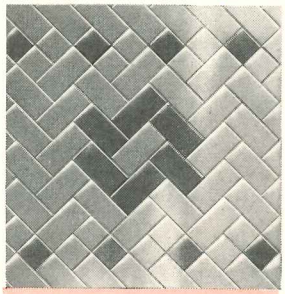

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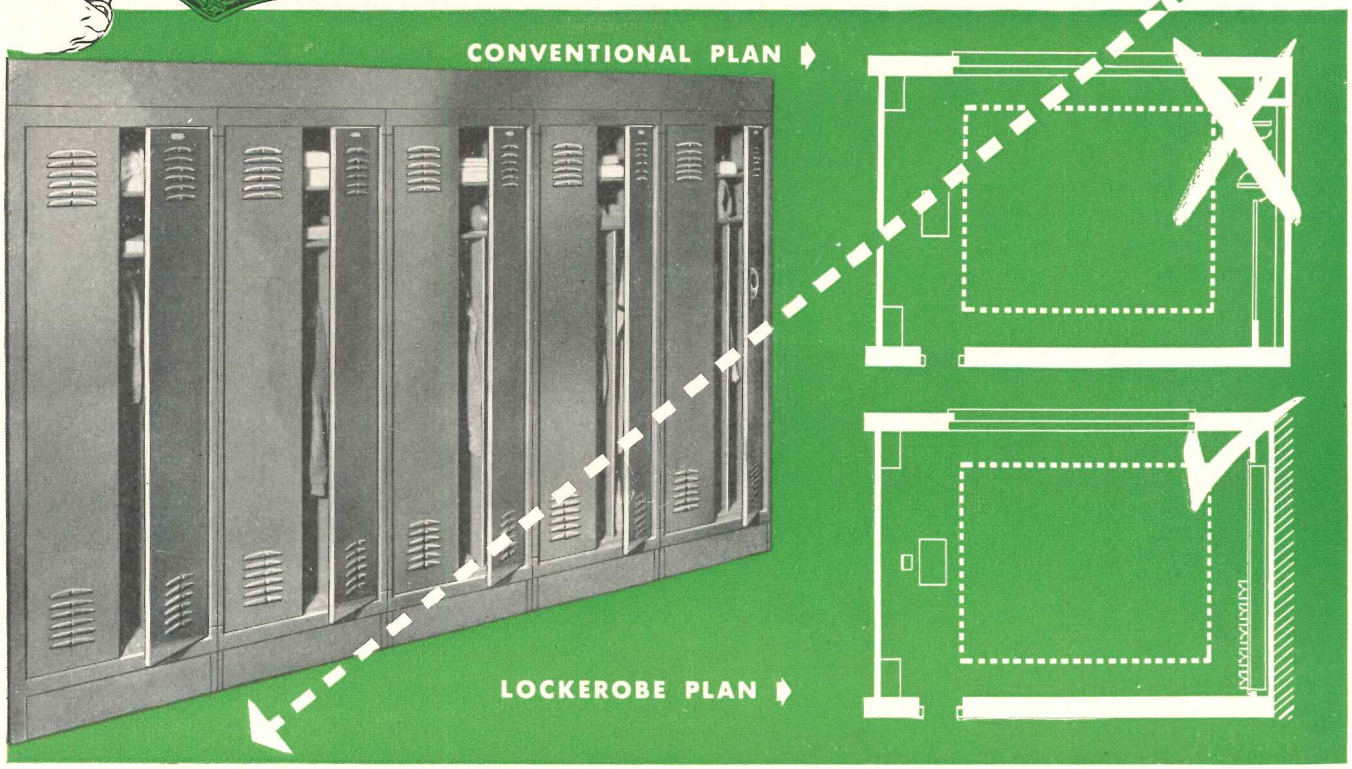


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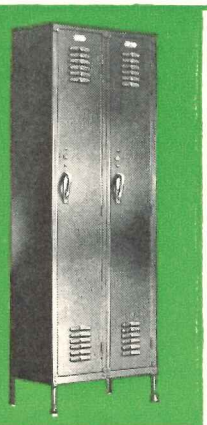

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urer; Allan L. Spurr, comptroller; Howard F. Hamacher, assistant treasurer; and Helge Holst, assistant secretary. Charles B. Belknap of the Owens-Illinois Glass Co. has been elected to the Board of Directors.

• Hugh M. Hughes has been reelected to the presidency of the Building Trades Employers' Association of New York City. Other officers for 1950 are: Fred J. Driscoll, vice president; Eugene Duklauer, second vice president; Perry S. Dewey, third vice president; J. George Costello, treasurer. William G. Wheeler, who had been reappointed to his 23rd term as secretary, died suddenly February 21, a few minutes after giving his report at the BTEA annual meeting.

• Roger Bowen, formerly with the U. S. Signal Corps, has been named head of the Engineering Department of Cannon Electric Development Co., Los Angeles.

• Roy D. Haworth Jr. is the new manager of product development for Carbide Alloys Division of Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corporation. Mr. Haworth was formerly employed by Armour Research Foundation in Chicago as supervisor of Abrasion Research.

• Thomas I. Crowell Jr. and Charles B. Cooke have been elected vice presidents of Ford, Bacon & Davis, engineers-constructors, of New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Los Angeles.

• Col. John N. Gage, commanding officer of the U. S. Army Quartermaster Depot in Chicago, has been named managing director of the First United States International Trade Fair to be held in Chicago Aug. 7–19, 1950.

• Herman Snider, general manager of Acme Door Co., Hoquiam, Wash., has been reelected president of the Fir Door Institute for 1950. Other officers elected at the annual meeting in Tacoma are: Charles E. Devlin, general sales manager, Simpson Logging Co., Seattle, vice president; W. M. MacArthur, vice president of Wheeler Osgood Co., Tacoma, treasurer; A. E. Lundgren, president of Vancouver Door Co., Montesano, secretary; Thomas B. Malarkey, vice president, M & M Wood Working Co., Portland, Ore., trustee.

• Milton A. Karp has been appointed chief engineer of the Luria Engineering Corp., New York City, designers and fabricators of standard, steel-frame industrial, commercial and airport buildings. Mr. Karp will head Luria's enlarged engineering department, which is being moved to the company's Bethlehem, Pa., plant.

• Mrs Patricia H. Kelley is the new research group director for Foster D. Snell, Inc., consulting chemists and engineers.

• G. Donald Kennedy has been appointed consulting engineer and assistant to the President of the Portland Cement Association.

• The appointment of Miss Jane Kidder as special consultant to the New York State Dormitory Authority has been announced by Clifton C. Flather, ad-

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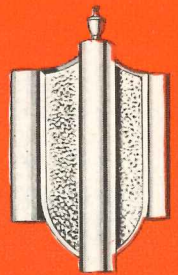

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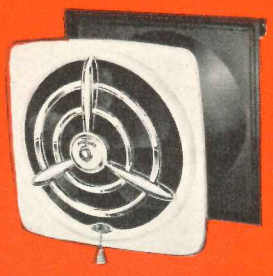

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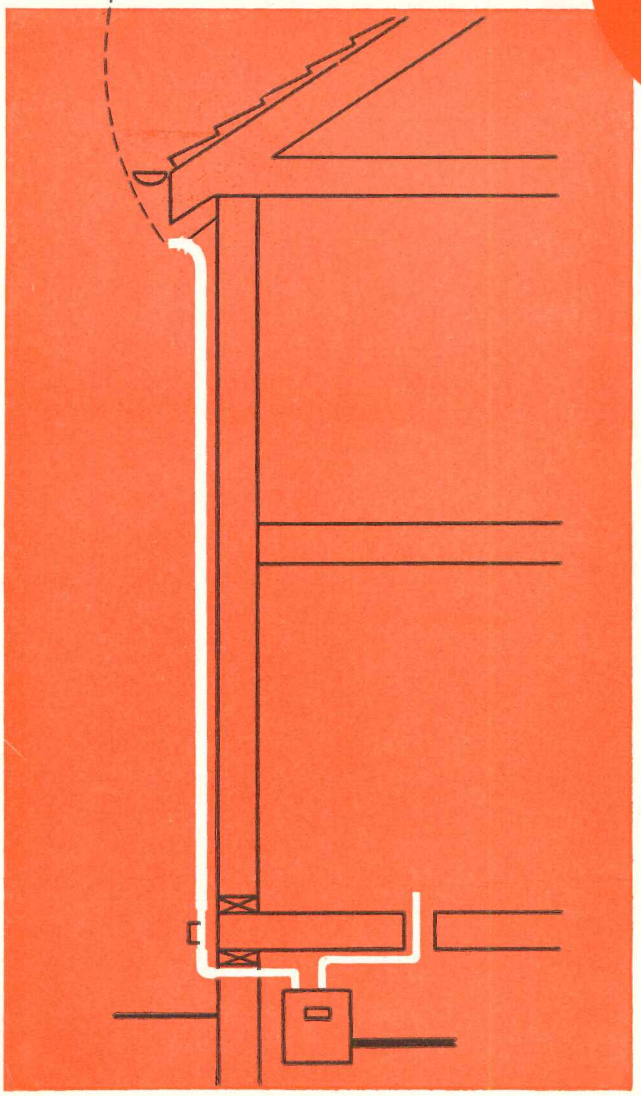

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ministrative director. Miss Kidder will concentrate on planning of interiors, color and coordination of furniture, textiles, floor coverings and lighting for new dormitories for the state teachers colleges and agricultural and technical institutes.

• Elmer A. Lundberg has been named director of architectural development and design for Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. Mr. Lundberg has been director of

architectural design since 1945 and now heads a department created by the consolidation of the architectural design and architectural relations departments.

• Frederick J. Mayo of New York and Donald W. Neville of Chicago have been elected to the Board of Directors of F. H. McGraw & Co., international engineering and construction firm. Both men are vice presidents of the company.

• Dean Lorin G. Miller of the College of Engineering of Michigan State College has been appointed engineering consultant by United States Radiator Corp. He will participate in engineering research and development of Corporation products.

• Frank E. Parsons has been appointed to the staff of the National Mineral Wool Association as technical engineer. Mr. Parsons was formerly vice president, director and general manager of Insulation Industries, Inc., at Janesville, Wis.

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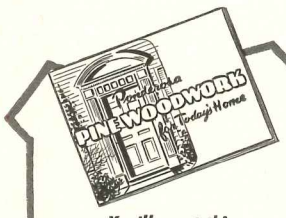


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• The New York Association of Consulting Engineers has reelected William Eipel, of the structural engineering firm of Tuck & Eipel, president for the coming year. Other officers reelected were: John W. Hennessy of Syska & Hennessy, vice president; Harry Bond, consulting engineer, treasurer; and W. Donald Christie, consulting engineer, secretary.

• Architect Alfred Shaw of Chicago has been appointed a director of Research Foundation, a non-profit group which subsidizes production and distribution of the anti-tuberculosis vaccine, BCG, at Tice Laboratory, Chicago.

• Appointment of Lewis R. Smith as product development engineer of the Remington Air Conditioning Division has been announced by Herbert L. Laube, president.

• Officers for 1950 have been elected by the Urban Land Institute as follows: Richard J. Seltzer, Philadelphia, president; Foster Winter, Detroit, and Warren Morris, Cleveland, vice presidents; Herbert U. Nelson, Chicago, secretary; and L. D. McKendry, Chicago, treasurer. Mr. Morris is new in his post; other officers were all reelected.

• Benjamin Weintraub, formerly in charge of the hospital program in the New York office of Skidmore, Owings and Merrill, has been appointed to the staff of the Blickman Hospital Consult-

ants. S. Blickman, Inc., of Weehawken, N. J., are manufacturers of equipment for hospitals and institutions.

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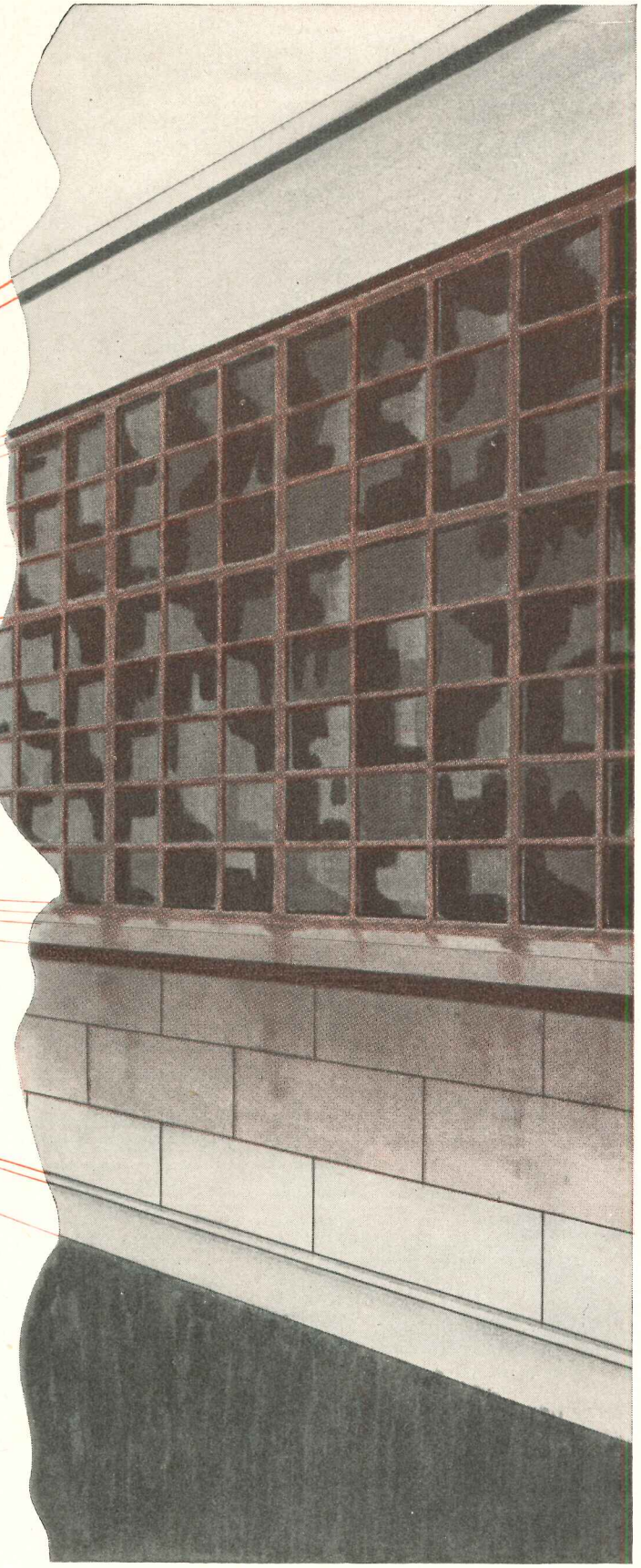

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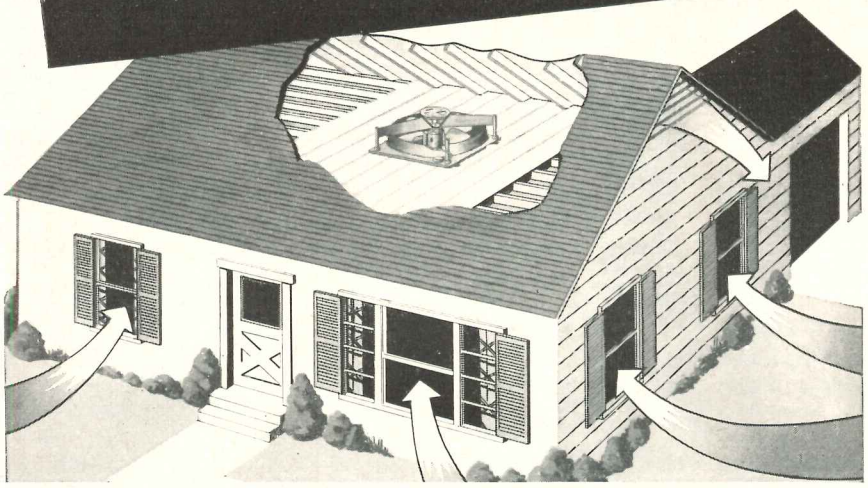

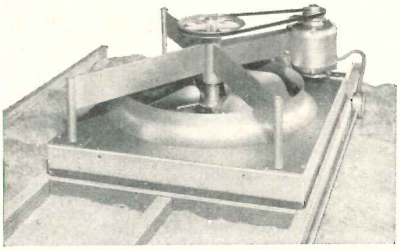

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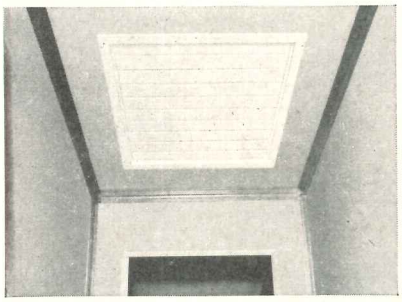

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• Douglas Whitlock, chairman of the Board of Structural Clay Products Institute, has been chosen national councillor and delegate to represent the Institute at the 38th annual meeting of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

• G. Walter Sutton & Son, Knoxville, Tenn., have been appointed sales engineers for J. A. Zurn Mfg. Co., Erie, Pa.

• Harry E. Tear has been elected executive vice president and general superintendent in charge of construction for the White Construction Co. Other recent appointments include: Max Birman, vice president in charge of engineering; Robert A. Escher, vice president in charge of new business; and Herbert Anderson, purchasing agent.

### AWARDS

### *Edward B. Reed of Princeton Gets Marble Institute Prize*

First honors, and a prize of $100, went to Edward B. Reed of Princeton University in the Beaux Arts Institute of Design Competition for the Marble Institute of America Prizes.

Other prizes were awarded as follows: second prize ($75) — Ray S. Febo, Western Reserve University; third prize ($50) — A. Perry Morgan Jr., Princeton University; fourth prize ($25) — Louis Eyster, Western Reserve University; honorable mentions — W. B. Henderson and Tom Cole, Western Reserve University.

The problem submitted by the Institute was prepared by Howard Lovewell Cheney, A.I.A., of Chicago. It required participating students to design the interior of a court house lobby, and afforded them an opportunity to study "an interior of substantial scale, with particular emphasis on good lighting, refined detail and the decorative qualities of marble, with which other rich materials may be combined in a discriminating manner."

Thirteen schools of architecture were represented in the competition, in which 193 students took part.

The award jury was headed by Charles W. Beeston, chairman, and included Max Abramovitz, Charles H. Bauer Jr., Robert Carson, Alonzo W. Clark III, Francis X. Gina, Francis

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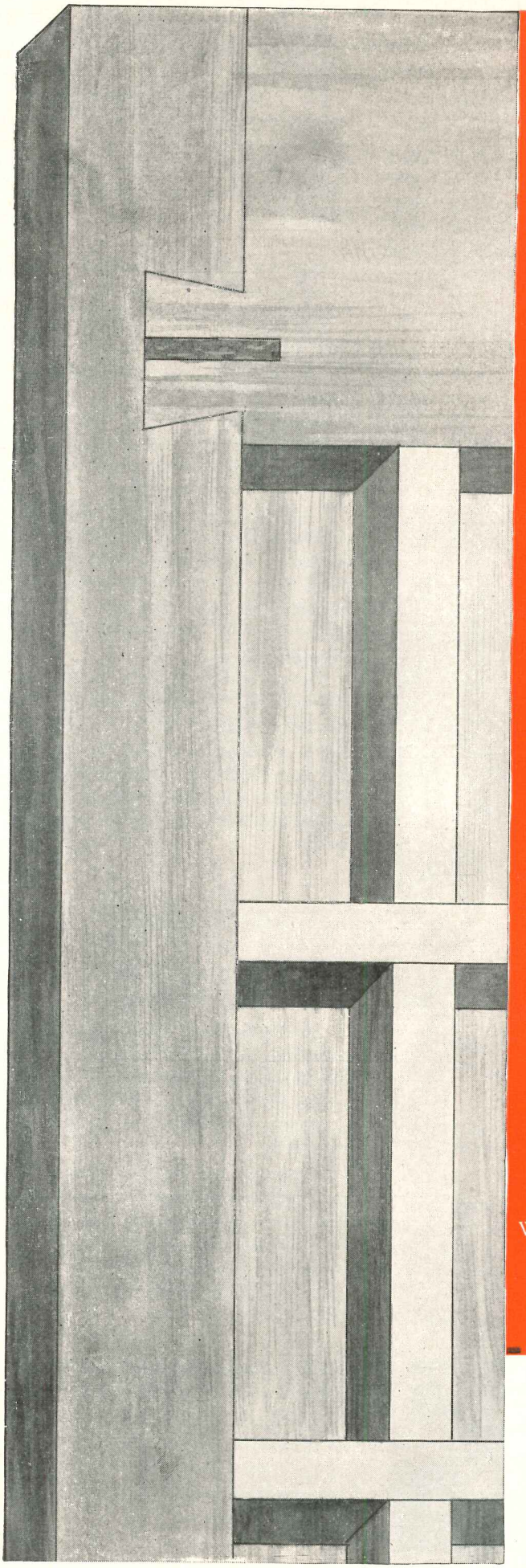

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A. William Hajjar of Pennsylvania State College was school representative. Roy E. Mayes, president of the Marble Institute, participated in the judgment.

### *Film Interior Sets Winners For 1949 Announced by A.I.D.*

Sets from "Luxury Liner," produced by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios, won a First Award for Supervising Decorator Edwin B. Willis in the 1949 Film Interior Sets Competition conducted by the American Institute of Decorators.

Sharing the First Award with Mr. Willis were Set Decorator Arthur Krams and Art Directors Cedric Gibbons and Paul Gruesse.

Sets from two films received Honorable Mentions — one was "Adam's Rib," produced by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, and the other was "Alias Nick Beale," produced by Paramount Pictures, Inc.

### *Upson Company Receives Engineers' Merit Award*

The Upson Co. of Lockport, N. Y., has received a Merit Award of the American Society of Industrial Engineers.

Robert Law Crinnian of Detroit, national president of the society, made the presentation at an informal ceremony in the company offices.

The award, Mr. Crinnian explained, is the highest honor the Society can confer on organizations considered to have made the most outstanding contributions to the advancement of the industrial arts and sciences in their respective fields.

Recent similar awards have been made to the Hamilton Watch Co., the Detroit-Michigan Stove Co., Radio Corp. of America, Briggs Manufacturing Co.'s plumbing ware division, Nash-Kelvinator and others. Only 15 awards will be made during 1950, Mr. Crinnian said.

## BUILDING NOTES

### *Beverly Hills Hotel To Build $1,250,000 Wing*

The "Glen Way Wing" of the Beverly Hills Hotel will be the next step in the long-range modernization program of the hotel, which completed its "Crescent Wing" at a cost of $1,500,000 last December.

The new wing, which is expected to cost $1,250,000, will be constructed from plans by Paul R. Williams. It will be of Class A concrete and steel construction with a total of 88 guest rooms and a two-level basement garage with a 125-car capacity.

### *New Johnson & Johnson Lab Planned in New Brunswick*

A research center in New Brunswick, N. J., will be built by Johnson & Johnson, manufacturers of surgical dressings, to consolidate and expand their present research activities.

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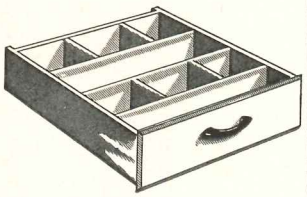

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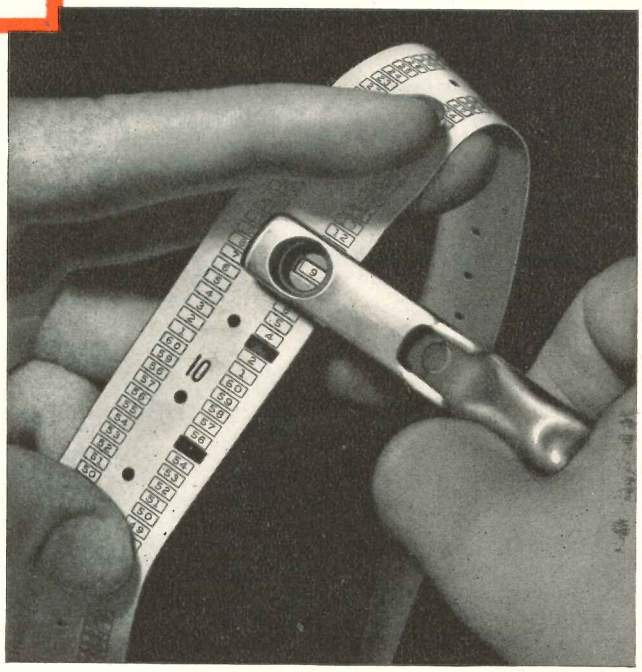

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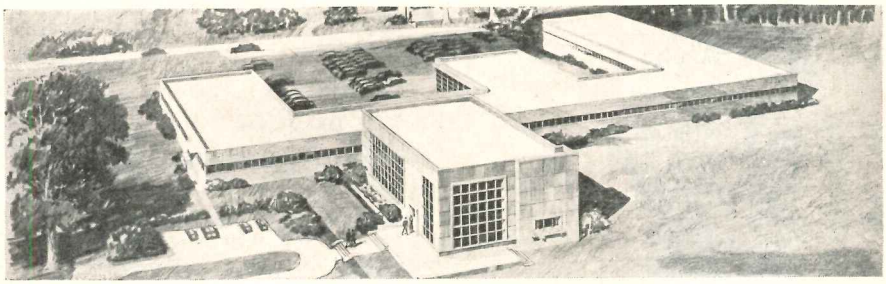

Above: Photo of rendering of Johnson & Johnson's projected research laboratory

The center will consist of a one-story, E-shaped laboratory building and a two-story administration building. The two buildings will have approximately 50,000 sq ft of floor space and will be staffed by 100 to 200 persons. The laboratory is designed to accommodate a 25 per cent increase in scientific personnel, and the building itself is planned for economical future expansion.

Of steel-frame construction, the laboratory will have exterior walls of buff ceramic tile, while the office section will have sandstone walls with large areas of glass. The two structures will share a 90-acre site with two buildings of affiliated companies.

Alexander P. Morgan, New York architect, designed the buildings, with Guy B. Panero, Engineers, as mechanical engineers and Strobel and Salzman as structural engineers. The project will be supervised by F. N. Manley, director of construction for Johnson & Johnson. Completion is scheduled for August.

### *Construction Under Way On Hotel for Venezuela*

Award to American Pacific Industrial Corp. of Venezuela late in February of the contract for construction of the $6,000,000 Tamanaco Hotel in Caracas, Venezuela, was immediately followed by the announcement that ground would be broken within 30 days.

Holabird, Root & Burgee of New York, collaborating with Gustavo Guinand, of Caracas, are architects for the hotel. Plans call for a ten-story structure of reinforced poured concrete throughout, with approximately 430 rooms, all with baths. The building will be V-shaped, allowing for maximum sunlight, and oriented to take advantage of the fine view to the north across the Caracas Valley toward Mount Avila. Other features of the plan are a glass-walled night club opening onto a terrace which will be used for dining and dancing, a large swimming pool and a circulating ice water system fed from deep wells.

The Tamanaco will be built upon a ridge, with its lobby floor 80 ft above the level of the Playa Sucre, which it faces.

The Tamanaco is owned by the Hotel Tamanaco Campania Anonima, Gustavo A. San Roman, president, and was financed by local capital, the Venezuelan government and the Export-Import Bank of the United States. It is one of a world-wide chain of hotels being developed by Intercontinental, a subsidiary of Pan-American Airways.

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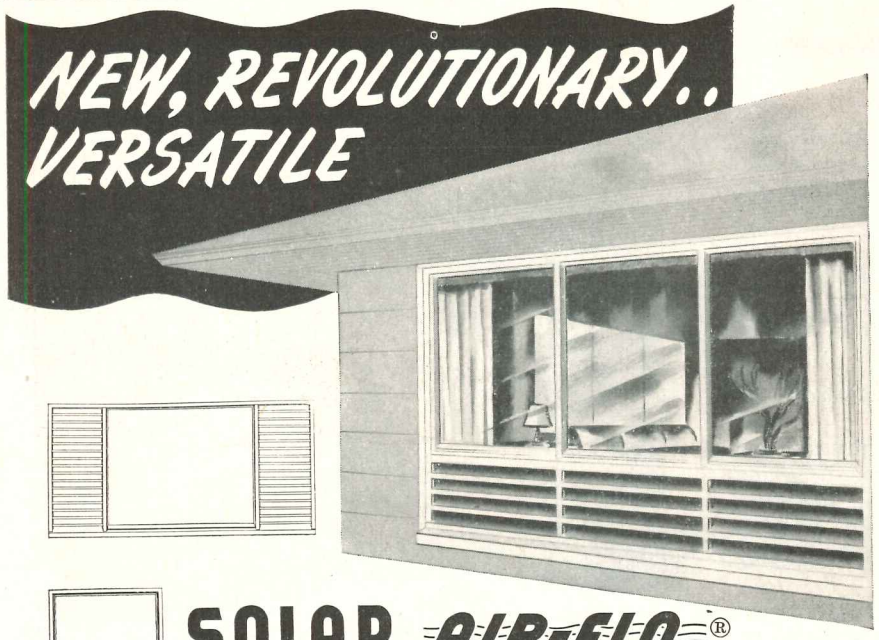


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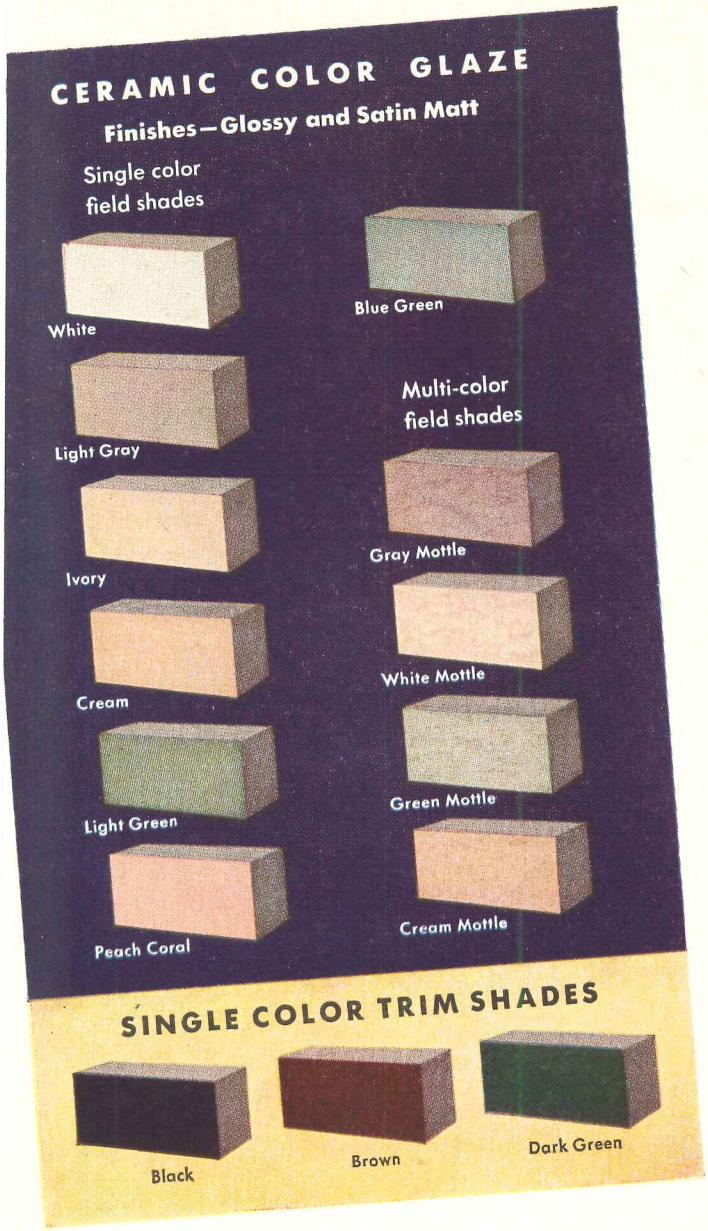


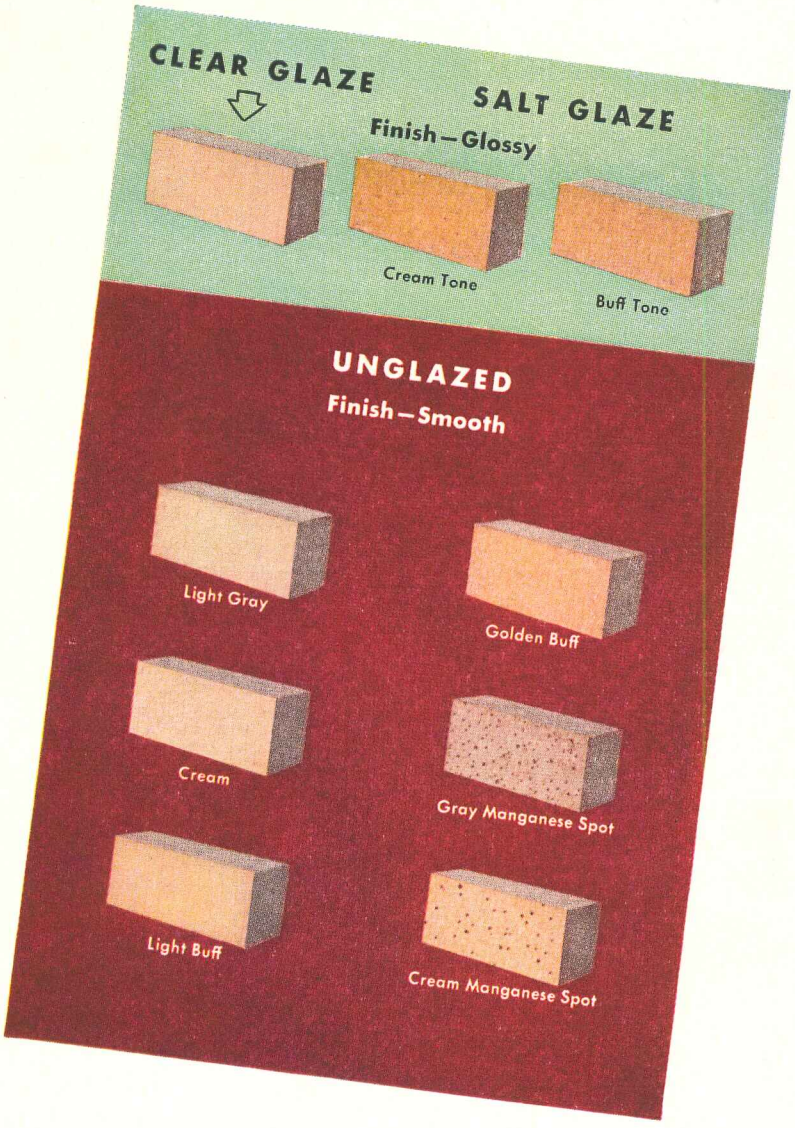


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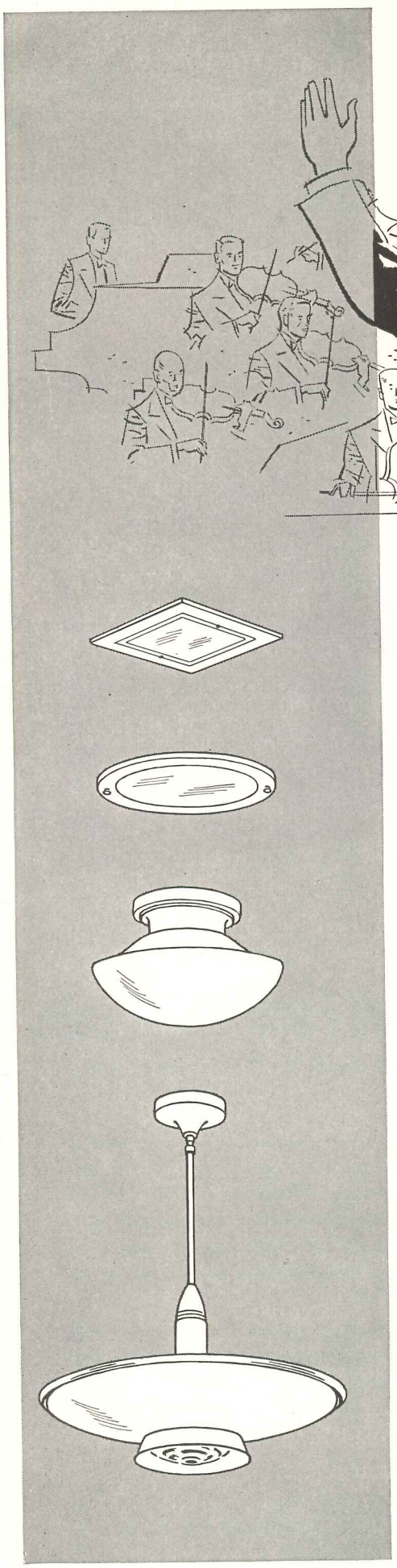

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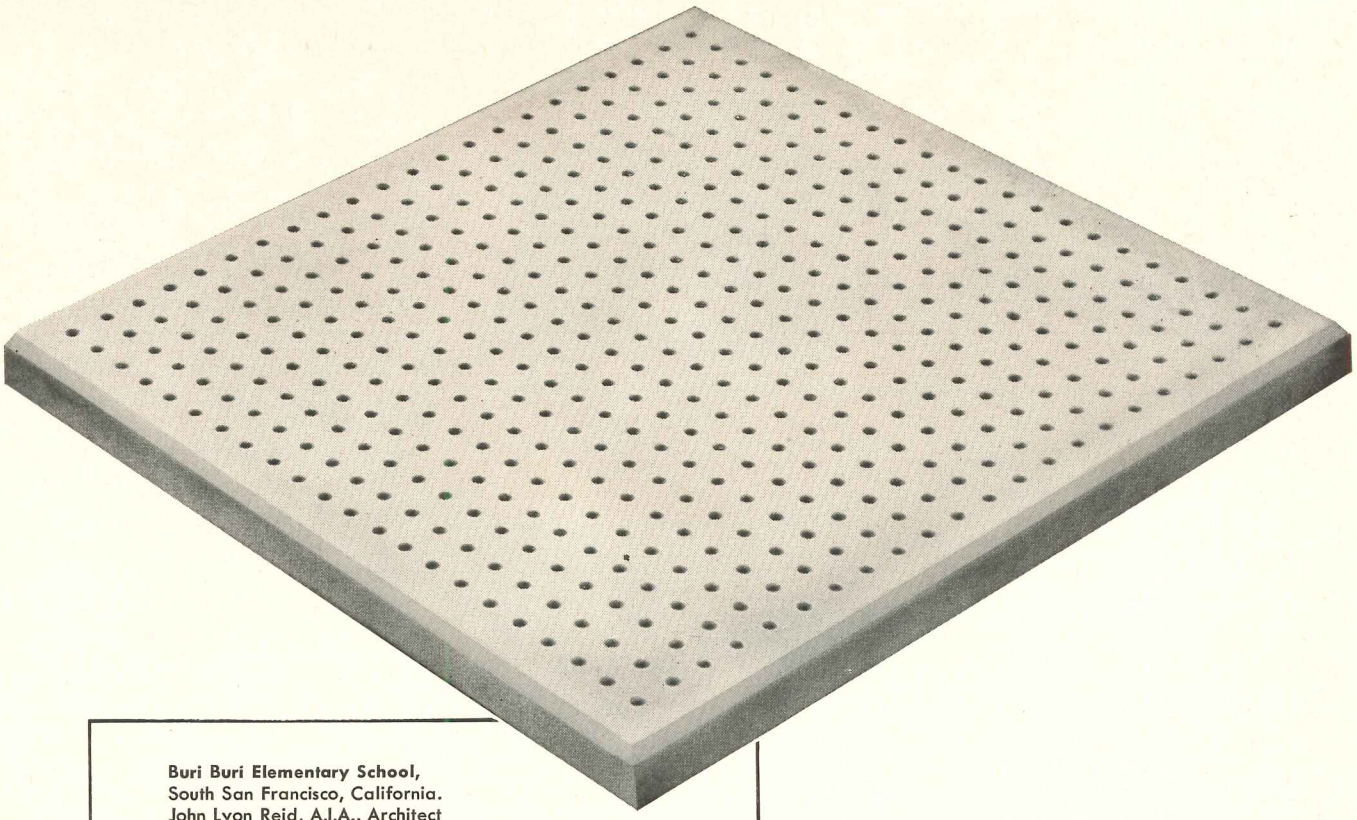

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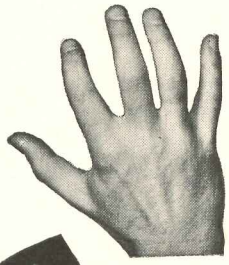

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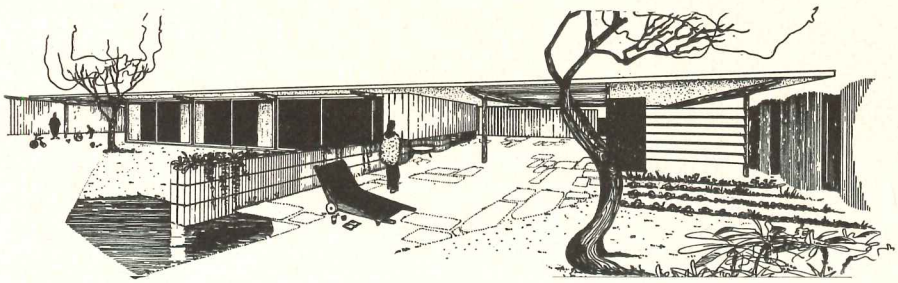
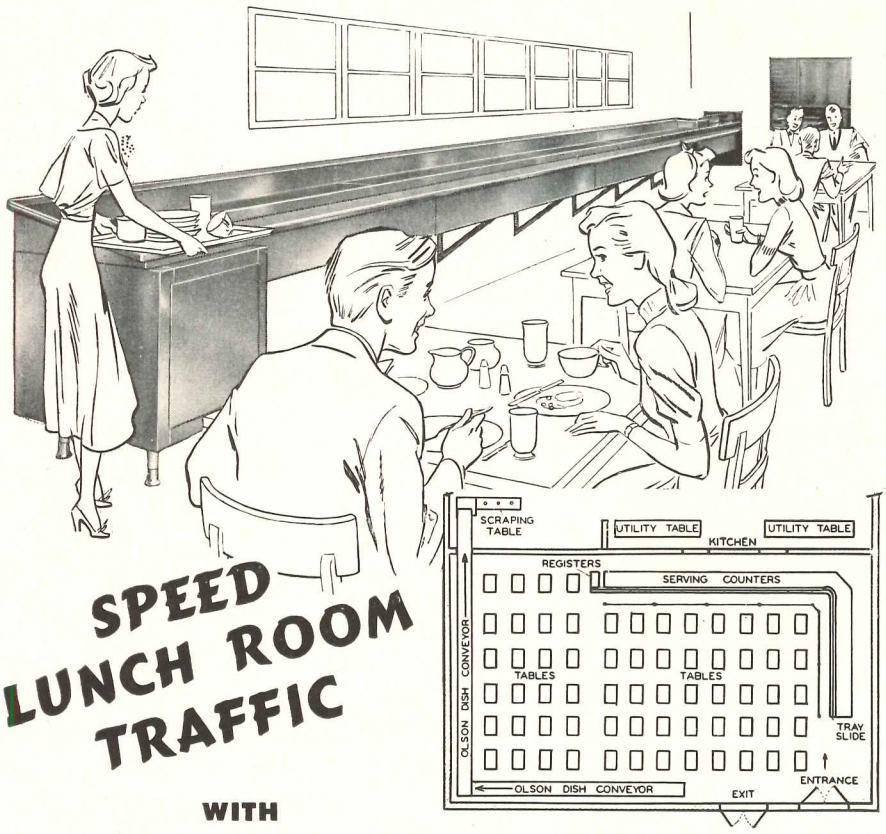


*Above: Indoor-outdoor living was stressed in design of exhibition house at Cleveland*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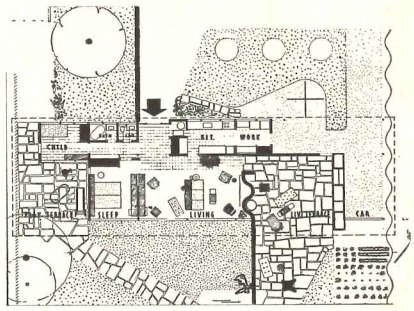
***Cleveland*** — An exhibition house designed by a special committee of the chapter last month was providing a graphic illustration of the value of an architect's services.

Some 50,000 people were estimated to have seen the chapter's exhibit at the Seventh Annual Home and Flower Show at the Cleveland Public Hall March 4–12.

Design for livability was basic in planning "The House that Jack Built" for "Mr. and Mrs. Jack and son," the hypothetical clients. Specific attention was given in the design to activity and space relationships, flexibility and privacy, indoor-outdoor living. Advanced developments in structure, materials and building equipment were freely used.

Joseph Ceruti headed the special committee which initiated the project. On the committee were Alfred W. Harris, Robert A. Little, Ernst Payer, Wilbur Riddle and Edward Higgins, a student associate of the chapter representing the student chapter of the Institute at Western Reserve University.

*Below: plan of Cleveland's model house*



***New York State*** — The Sidney L. Strauss Memorial Award, to be given annually for outstanding service to the architectural profession, has been established by the Association in honor of its late past president. The award, which will be a medal and a suitably inscribed certificate, will be announced Nov. 1. Candidates are to be nominated by constituent societies and chapters of the Association.

***Indiana*** — Advice from the Bulletin of the Indiana Society of Architects:

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WILLIAM S. BROWN, of the firm of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, nationally known architects and designers of many of America's outstanding buildings. Mr. Brown was architect in charge of the famous Terrace Plaza Hotel in Cincinnati, where the architects with the owner's mandate had complete charge of all materials, equipment and furnishings that went into the hotel. Mohawk laid 11.5 miles of carpet in the Terrace Plaza.

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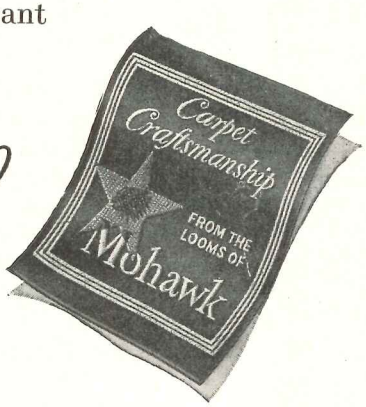


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***Pittsburgh*** — Beginning its 59th year, the chapter reelected Rody Patterson as president. B. Kenneth Johnstone was named vice president; Charles S. Ingham, secretary; Frank E. Wehrle, treasurer. Builder Edward Wehr — one of the few American builders with a degree in architecture — was elected to honorary membership in the chapter.

***Southern California*** — Officers elected to serve for 1950 are: John Rex, president; John Landon, vice president; Edla Muir, secretary; Charles E. Fry, treasurer; Paul O. Davis, Walter O. Hagedohm, Albert C. Martin Jr., Henry L. Wright, directors.


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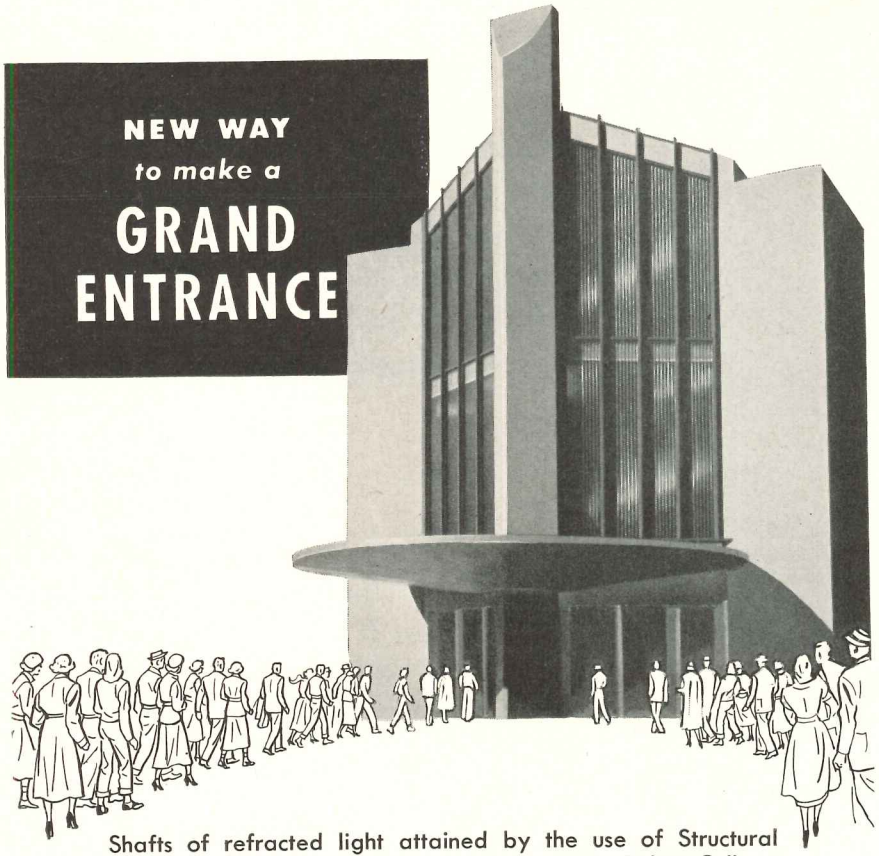

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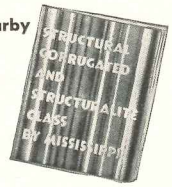


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The dollar shortage is still acute — and Britain's manufacturers will display their wares next month at the British Industries Fair from May 8 to May 19 at Earl's Court and Olympia, London, and Castle Bromwich, Birmingham.

Editor Ian Leslie of "The Builder" of London reports that visitors to the building section at Castle Bromwich will find manufacturers have devoted increased attention to good design, and that this trend will be especially notable in kitchen sinks, cupboards, heating elements, cooking and hot water plants.

Constructional plant on view at Castle Bromwich will reflect the "almost universal" importance — says Mr. Leslie — attached to the use of mechanical devices to save time on processes previously done by hand, especially carrying and hoisting.

New machines of a mobile kind are increasingly used in British construction, and motor-driven barrows, hoists, winches among the displays will show this trend. Some of these machines are dual-purpose, as, for example, the mechanical shovel which has a brick stacker attachment consisting of an extension with fork arm to carry a stillage holding 100 bricks. This may be attached to the side arms without removing the scoop. In addition to serving as an excavator, the machine can be used to transport bricks from the stack and unload them onto scaffolding up to a

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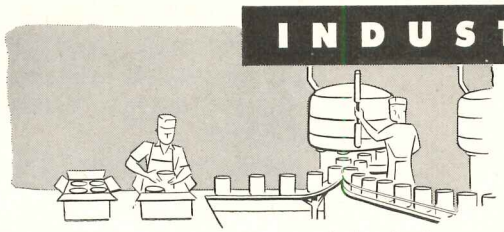

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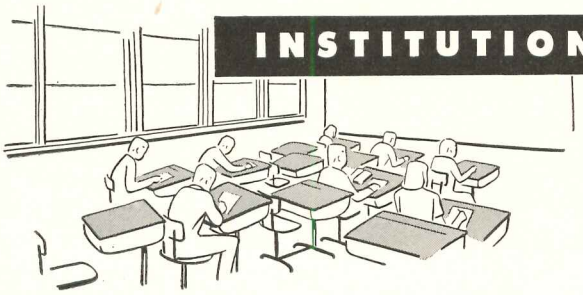

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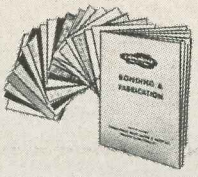

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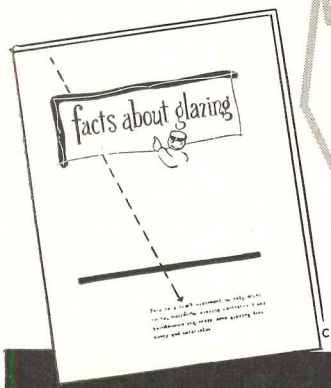


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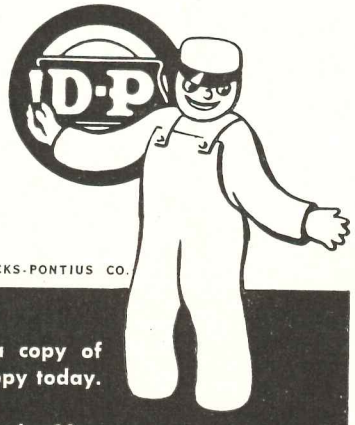


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Other new machines include light builders' hoists of high mobility which can be easily demounted for erection elsewhere.

Fixtures and equipment for houses and all types of buildings will also be on display.

A wide range of machinery for woodworking purposes will also be seen. Typical of this group will be a "universal" woodworker which comprises in one machine a saw-bench, planer and jointer, thicknesser, moulder, mortiser, borer and tenoner.

Among constructional developments of note will be the "Kwikform" system of unit-framed scaffolding for barrel-vault shuttering; this includes a suspended formwork and vertical shuttering which reduces to a minimum bird-cage scaffolding, is adaptable to any radius and gives a perfect soffit.

### *Intarsia Featured in Craftsmen's Exhibit*

Modern marquetry by Howard Whipple of California and Andrew Szoeke of New York was featured in an exhibition of the American Craftsmen's Educational Council in their gallery at America House, 32 E. 52nd St., New York City, last month.

Mr. Whipple is a retired banker who developed a hobby into a fine art to gain a national reputation. The collection of his work shown included 37 pieces, cut from multi-hued wood, fitted together and combined much as a jeweler treats his stones.

Mr. Szoeke, designer and cabinetmaker, was known when he first came to this country from Vienna in 1921 as a specialist in calligraphy. A group of his designs for modern furniture of inlaid wood was shown at the exhibit.

### *Home Furnishings Show at Philadelphia Art Center*

"Inside 1950," an exhibition designed to acquaint Philadelphians with the best in contemporary home furnishings, will open at the Philadelphia Art Alliance, 251 S. 18th St., Philadelphia, on April 24 and continue through June 4.

Visitors will be permitted to test and touch all items in the exhibition, which will be presented as a four-room apartment typical of Philadelphia.

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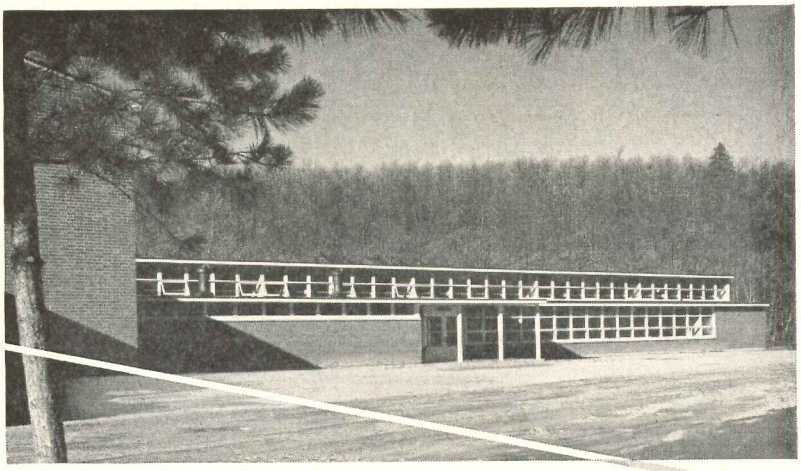
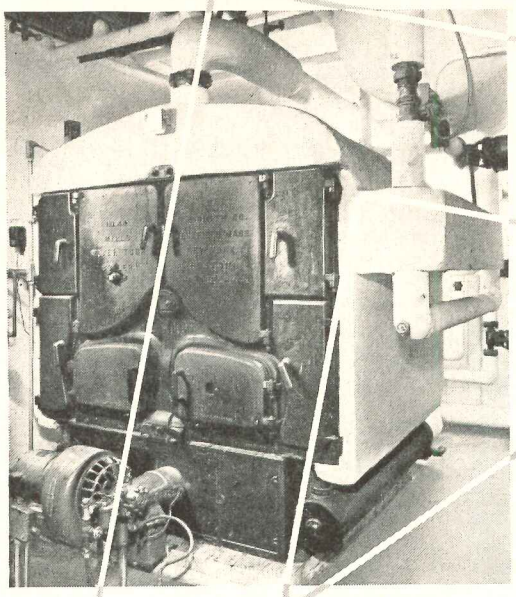
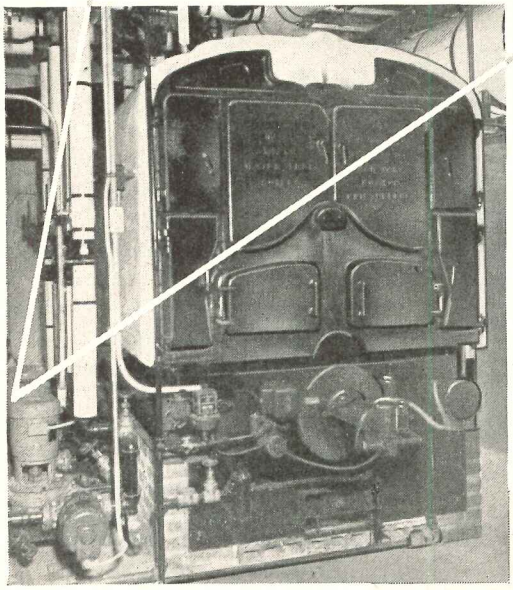
New Elementary School at Burlington, Conn., one of the five outstanding schools featured in the *Architectural Record* Study, is equipped with *one* No. 440 Smith-Mills Water Tube Boiler, fired with No. 3 Oil. Please notice (1) the one-story construction; (2) large area fenestration; (3) small space needed for boiler room.

*Architects:* Moore & Salisbury, Hartford, Conn.; *Heating Engineer:* H. B. VanZelm, Hartford, Conn. Boiler installation by Standard Cycle Co., Winsted, Conn.







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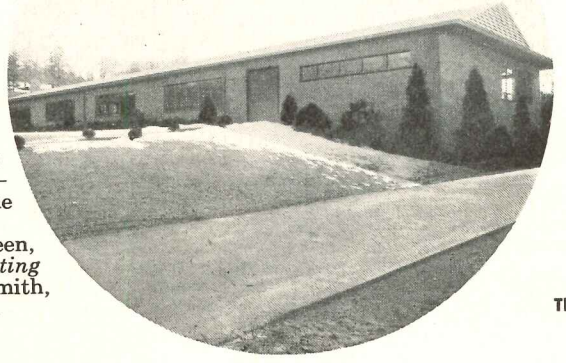

Transfiguration School, Tarrytown, New York; another *Architectural Record* selection characterized by one-story layout and ample daylight. One No. 440 Smith-Mills Boiler fired by horizontal rotary burner, provides ample heat for today's needs — promises to grow as the school grows.

*Architect:* Robert A. Green, Tarrytown, N. Y.; *Heating Contractor:* Hauxwell & Smith, Inc., Port Chester, N. Y.

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### PANERO GROUP WORKS ON PROTECTIVE CONSTRUCTION

A special group of engineers has been organized by the engineering firm of Guy B. Panero to work on problems of protective construction for strategic industrial plants. Considerable attention will be devoted to cost aspects.

Mr. Panero has disclosed that his firm has had inquiries from several large firms interested in obtaining reasonable protection at existing plants where process and ground limitations will not enable them to spread out their buildings and where constructing a complete plant underground is not feasible.

Mr. Panero believes that national defense now requires that at least a part of the total spent annually on new plants be invested in protective construction.

Specially developed construction and planning techniques designed to give optimum protection to the most critical portions of a single plant are a part of protective construction as described by Mr. Panero, whose firm last year completed a major study for the government on feasibility of underground construction.

"It is not practical or desirable to place all, or even a major segment of important manufacturing facilities such as atomic plants underground," Mr. Panero says. "Nor would it be economically feasible to disperse some types of industry. But the time is opportune to consider 'protective construction' for those production facilities which are absolutely necessary to the defense of this nation. Sites must be selected and structures must be designed to offer the maximum degree of protection consistent with economic aspects of our industrial complex."

Mr. Panero cites a report recently released by the Atomic Energy Commission and the Department of Defense which revealed that 320,000,000 sq ft of floor space available in existing mines

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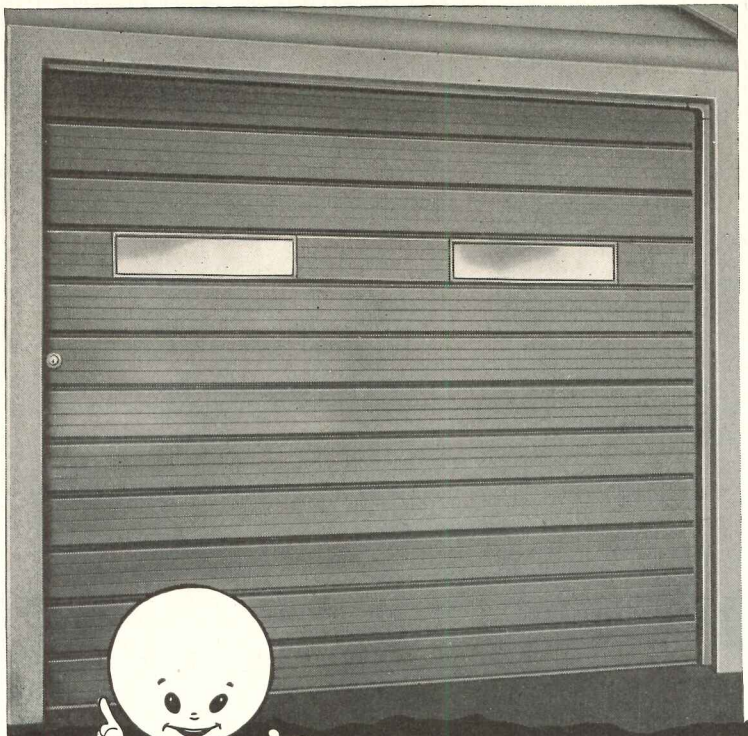

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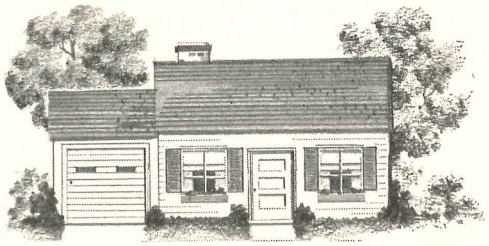

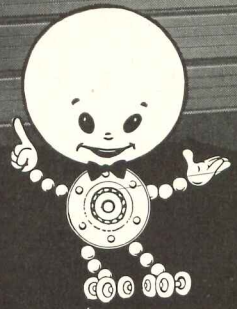

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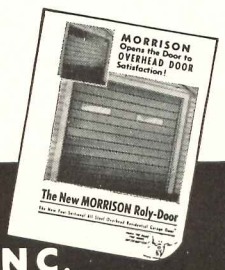


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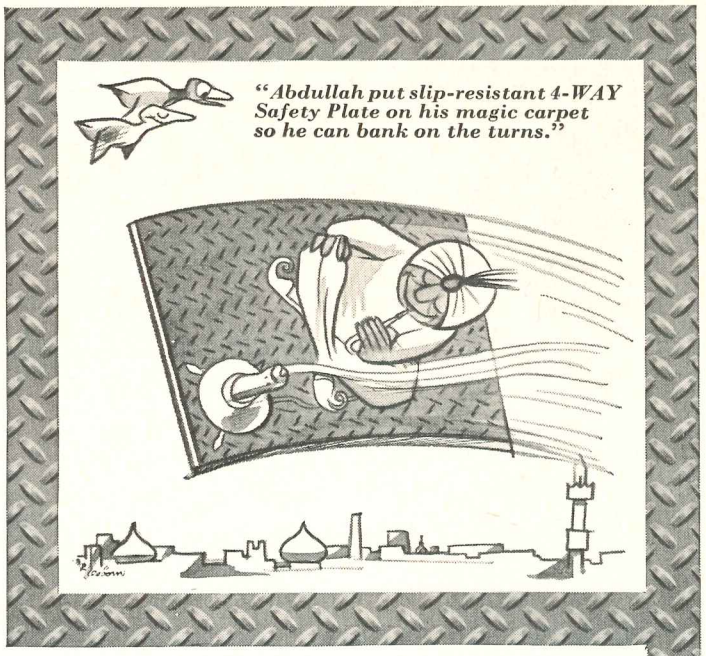


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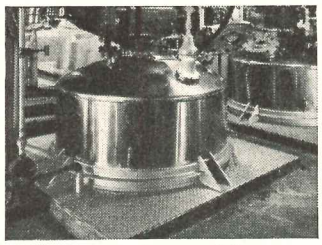

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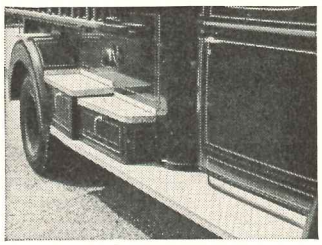

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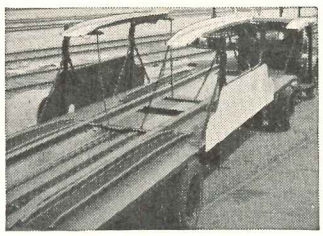

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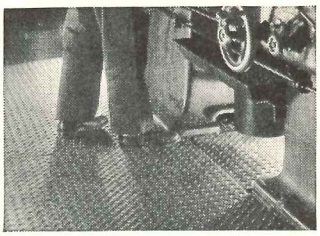

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### 12 STUDENTS COMPETING IN LLOYD WARREN FINALS

Twelve students, four of them from Princeton University, were selected to compete in the final exercise of the 1950 Lloyd Warren Scholarship, the 37th Paris Prize in Architecture.

The winner, who will receive $5000 for architectural study and travel over an 18-month period, will be announced this month.

Subject of the second preliminary exercise, on the results of which choice of the finalists was based, was "an oil town." The competition is held under the direction of the Committee on Scholarships of the Beaux-Arts Institute of Design. Finalists chosen were: Charles H. Boney and G. Lee Everidge, North Carolina State College; John J. Mooney, Pennsylvania State College; Maxwell G. Mayo, H. Bryce Roberts, D. M. Simmons and W. H. Sippel Jr., Princeton University; Paul H. Graven Jr., Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College; William J. Scheidemantel, University of Illinois, Urbana; Harry Kale and William Murtagh, University of Pennsylvania; and Haigh Josgochian, Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

L. Bancel LaFarge is chairman of the Jury of Award, which includes Gordon Bunshaft, Alonzo W. Clark III, Harmon H. Goldstone, Michael M. Hattis and Benjamin Lane Smith.

### FEDERATION ENDORSED BY ENGINEERS JOINT COUNCIL

Proposals made at the first Pan-American Engineering Congress held in Rio de Janeiro last July for an inter-American engineering organization have

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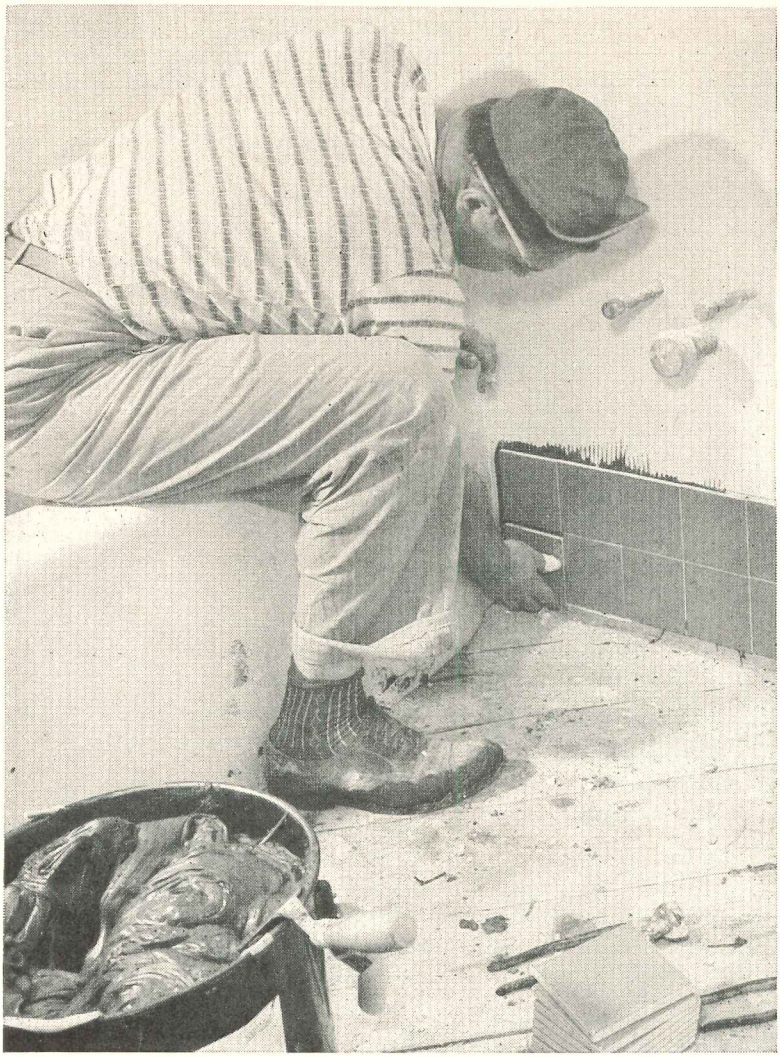

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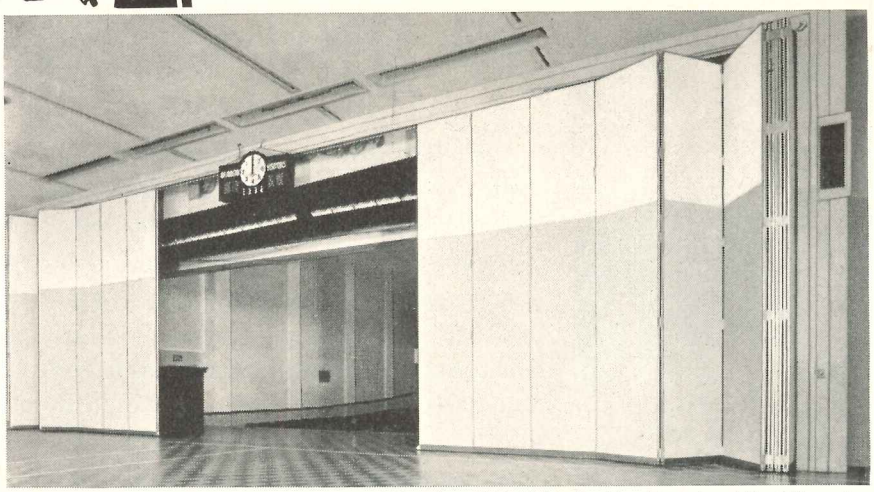

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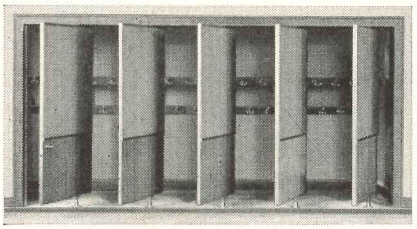

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been approved by the Committee on International Relations of the Engineers Joint Council.

Participation of United States engineering societies with those of other American nations in an organization meeting in Havana is thus assured. Date of the meeting, which will launch the new organization, will be announced later.

### GRANTS OF $42,500 MADE BY ENGINEERING GROUP

Grants of $42,500 were made by Engineering Foundation to 12 projects in fundamental research in the engineering sciences and to two projects in advancing the engineering profession during the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1949, the Foundation's recently published annual report showed.

The report stated that Foundation sponsorship and grants had stimulated contributions by industry and universities to these projects of $642,800.

Also included in the report is a summary of the Foundation's work since it was established 35 years ago as the joint research activity of the American Society of Civil Engineers, American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, American Society of Mechanical Engineers and American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

The summary showed $9,888,330 had been spent during the 35-year period to advance engineering science and education.

### STORY OF BLUEPRINTS DRAMATIZED IN FILM

"The Print before the Product" is the title of a new film which offers buyers of prints a chance to find out what the commercial blueprinter has to contend with when he's told to "make that fast!"

The film, which is available for showing to professional or company groups, shows actual shop practice, with scenes taken right in the blueprint and photocopy departments.

The 16 mm. color-sound film, with a running time of 35 minutes, was made by Western Blue Print Co., Kansas City, Mo., and edited by the Calvin Co. of Kansas City, industrial film producers, who also added musical back-

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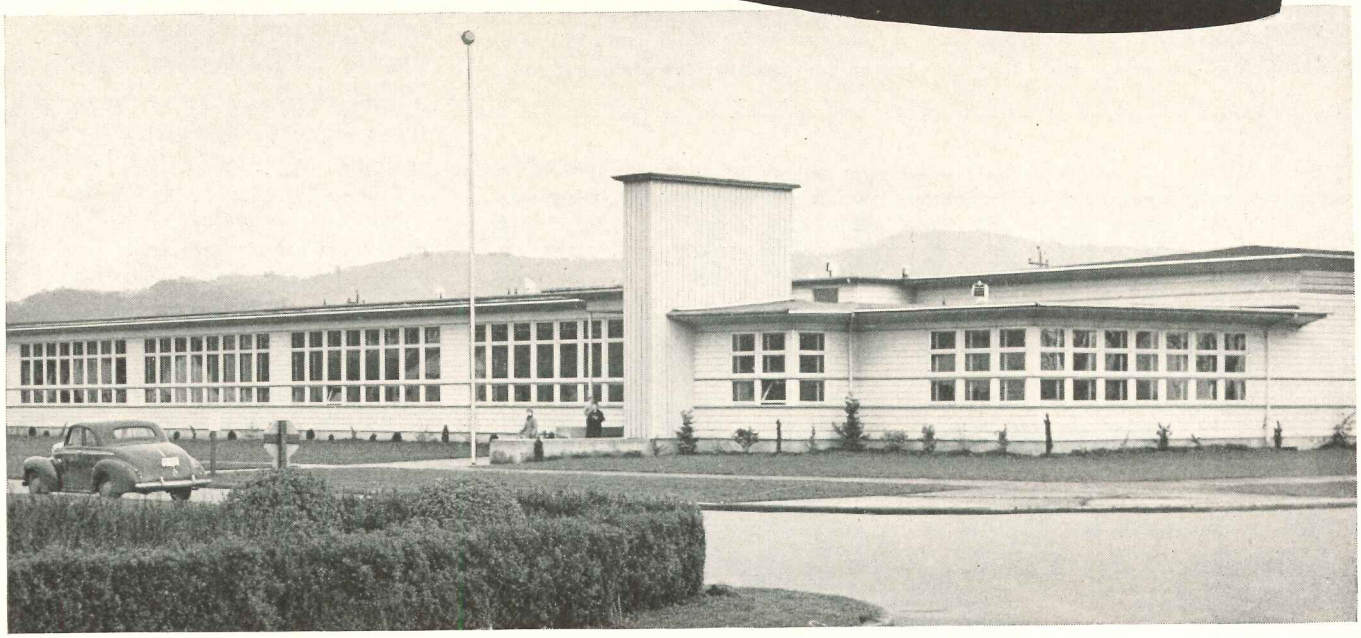

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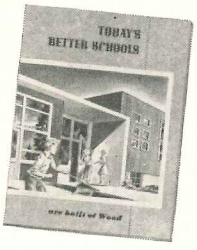


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A ratio of one-third American exhibitors to two-thirds exhibitors from the rest of the world has been set by Fair officials. Exhibits will be grouped, not by national origin, but by 29 categories of products which have been established.

Four halls — Navy Pier, International Amphitheatre, Coliseum and Arena — will house the Fair, which is expected to be the largest trade show ever held in this country. Fair headquarters is the Merchandise Mart.

## ENGINEERING INDEX FOR EIGHT CITIES COMPLETE

National Association of Engineering Companies has announced completion of its index of engineering services available in eight cities across the country.

The index, which is cross-referenced for type of engineering service and geographic location, now covers Detroit, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Providence (R. I.), Salt Lake City, Reading, Grand Rapids and Roanoke.

A state-by-state survey is being conducted by questionnaire. Inquiries should be addressed to: National Association of Engineering Companies, 1601–13 Dime Building, Detroit 26, Mich.

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Painters will be assigned studios with northern exposure; sculptors studios on the ground floor; and musicians soundproof practice rooms. A bathroom or shower, a hot plate, a telephone and a heater will be provided with each room.

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The RECORD regrets that an article on page 12 of the January issue incorrectly described Architect Eric Stengade as designer of the Danish Pavilion at the New York World's Fair of 1939. Mr. Stengade was assistant to Tyge Hvass, the architect for the pavilion.

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| 4 | 0.668 | .500 | 0.20 | 1.571 | 0.350 | 0.020 | 0.191 |
| 5 | 1.043 | .625 | 0.31 | 1.963 | 0.437 | 0.028 | 0.239 |
| 6 | 1.502 | .750 | 0.44 | 2.356 | 0.525 | 0.038 | 0.286 |
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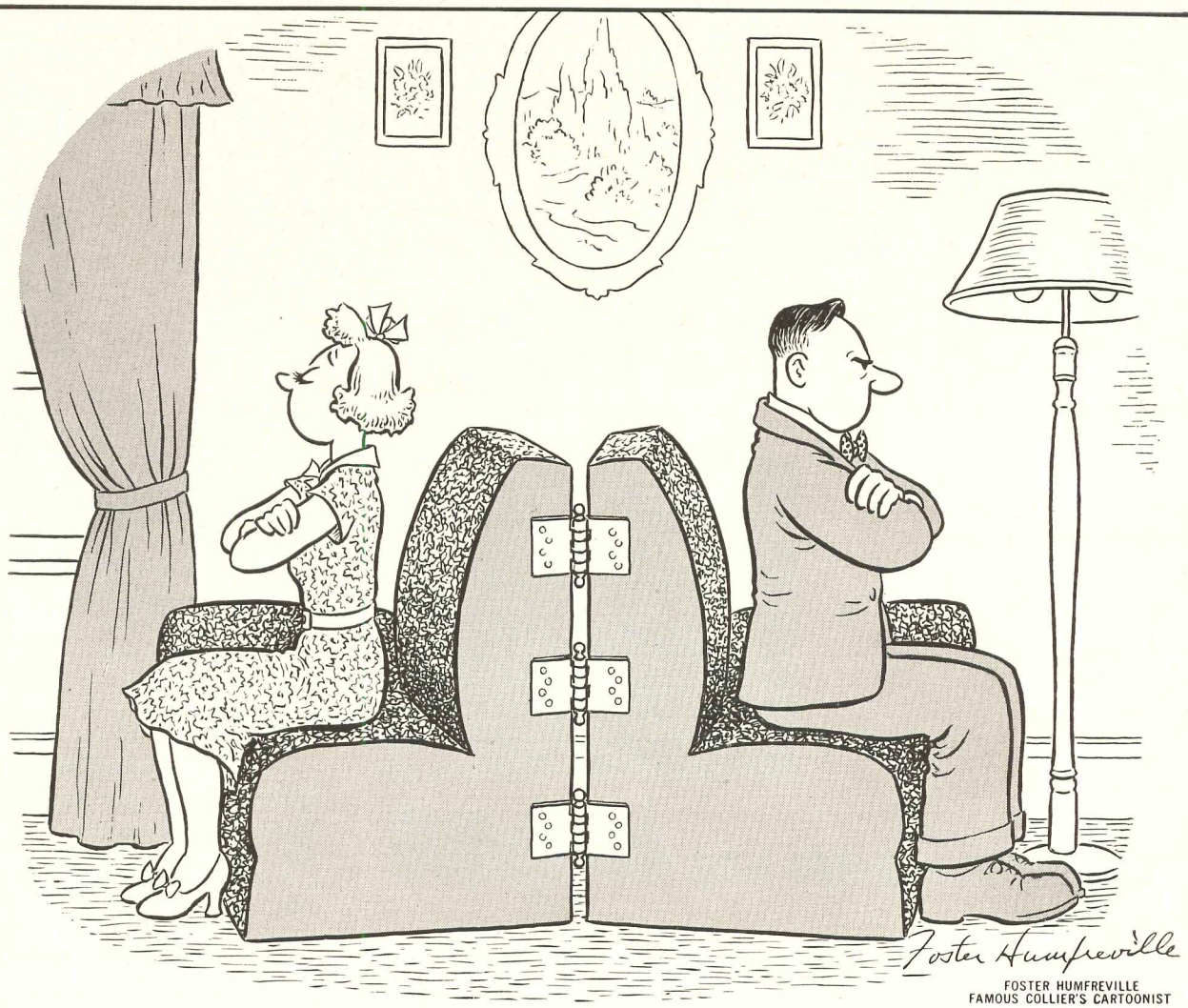


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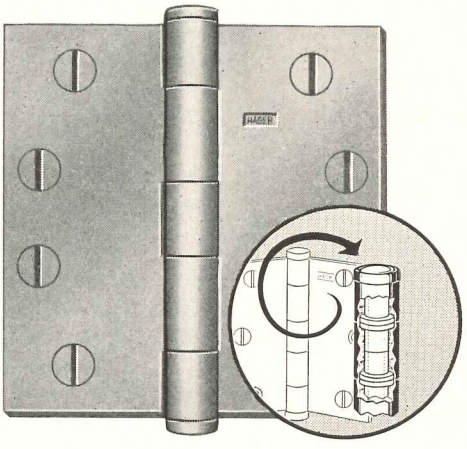

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CANADA (*Continued from page 16*)

### *Building Decline Shown in MacLean's January Figures*

Construction contracts during January were down $16 million from January 1949, MacLean Building Reports Ltd. figures show.

Total figure for the first month of this year was $56,685,800. Principal decline was in the west; Quebec alone recorded an increase of $1.8 million over the corresponding month last year.

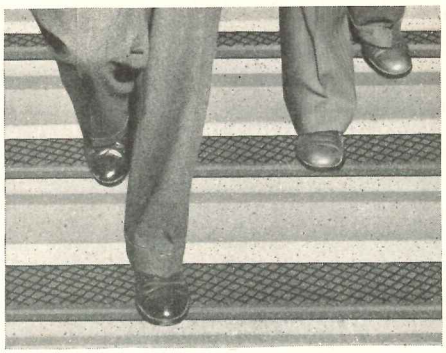
All categories except business building were off. Comparative January figures for four classifications follow:

Residential — 1950, $24,032,000; 1949, $30,299,400.

Industrial — 1950, $3,161,600; 1949, $9,170,200.

Engineering — 1950, $4,491,100; 1949, $15,139,300.

Business — 1950, $25,001,100; 1949, $18,183,500.

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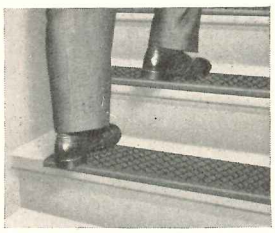

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### *J. Roxburgh Smith Elected R.A.I.C. President for '50*

J. Roxburgh Smith of Montreal was elected president for 1950 of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada at its 43rd annual assembly in Winnipeg. He succeeds A. J. Hazelgrove of Ottawa.

Other officers are: H. H. Simmonds, Vancouver, first vice president; H. Claire Mott, Saint John, N. B., second vice president; R. S. Morris, Toronto, treasurer; Harold Lawson, Montreal, secretary.

The Institute's 1950 Council will be: Alberta — T. Gordon Aberdeen, Gordon K. Wynn, Cecil Burgess; British Columbia — S. Patrick Birley, W. F. Gardiner, H. H. Simmonds, F. L. Townley; Manitoba — D. H. Carter, G. Leslie Russell, Prof. R. Sellors; New Brunswick — R. Duschenes, H. Claire Mott; Newfoundland — F. Coubourne, J. E. Hoskins; Nova Scotia — C. A. Fowler, A. E. Priest; Ontario — C. Lenz, V. J. Blackwell, J. H. Craig, A. J. Hazelgrove, D. E. Kertland, R. Schofield Morris, W. Bruce Riddell, L. E. Shore, Harland Steele; Quebec — L. N. Audet, C. David, Harold Lawson, J. C. Meadowcroft, A. J. C. Paine, Maurice Payette, J. Roxburgh Smith, Emile Venne; Saskatchewan, D. H. Stock, J. C. Webster.

Fellows admitted to the College of Fellows were James Govan, Toronto; J. C. Meadowcroft, Montreal; G. C. Nairne, Vancouver; J. Morrow Oxley, Toronto; and Prof. John A. Russell, Winnipeg.

Kiyoschi Izemi, 28-year-old Canadian-Japanese graduate in architecture of Manitoba University was awarded the R.A.I.C.'s $1500 scholarship. Mr. Izemi has had an outstanding record in architecture and will use the scholarship for travel in the United States and study at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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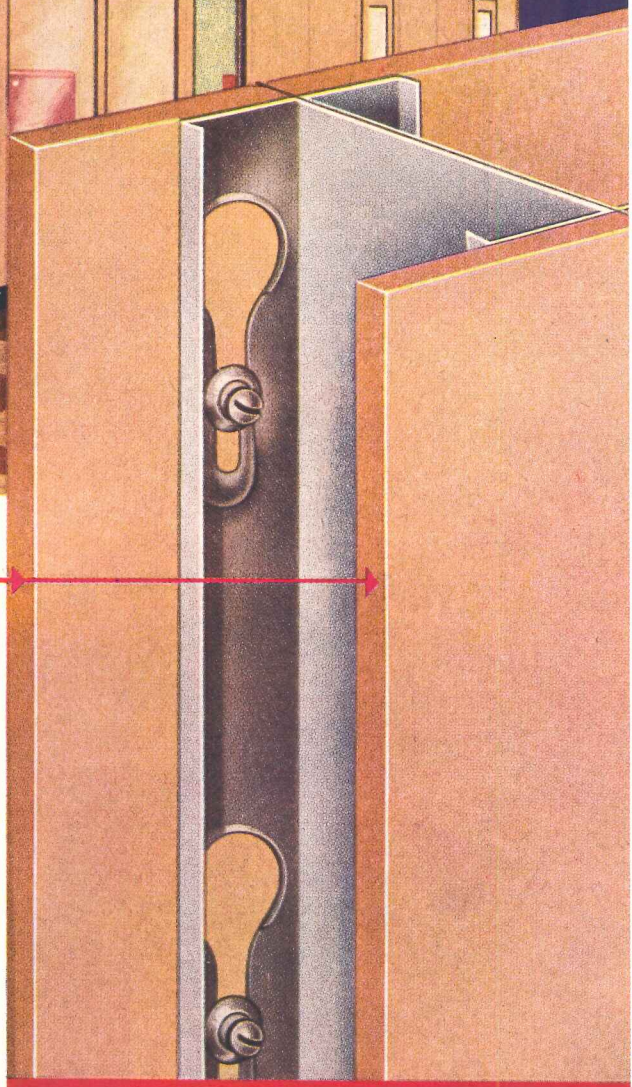

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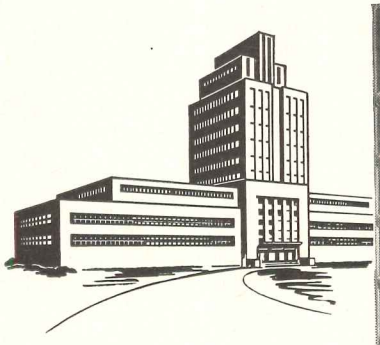

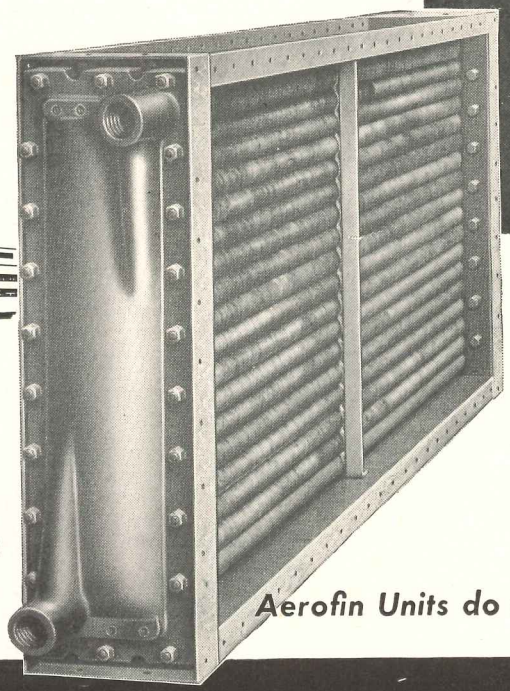

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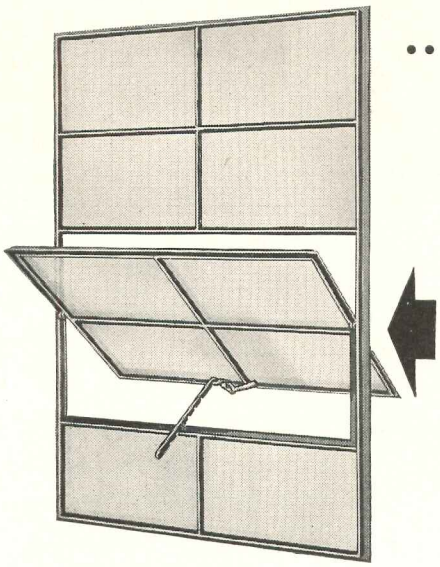

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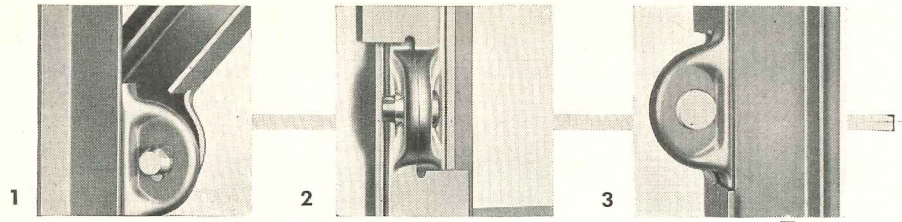


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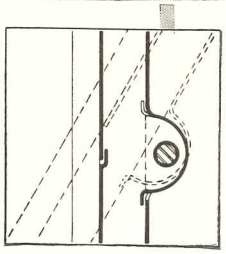


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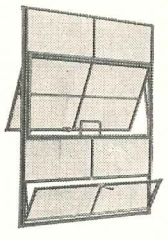

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In reporting for the 1949 Council, Retiring President A. J. Hazelgrove urged architects to specify and use materials from sterling areas.

"This may involve disruption of some well-regarded connections and disturbance of routine of practice," he said, "but the advantages will be such as to compensate for practical difficulties."

A plan for periodic award of medals for Canadian architecture by the Massey Foundation was announced at the meeting. The scheme, prepared after consultation with the Institute, provides that Massey Medals for Architecture will be awarded first in 1950, then every second or third year, depending on building activity in Canada. Awards will be made at exhibitions sponsored by the R.A.I.C.

Purpose of the awards is to enable the public to recognize outstanding examples of Canadian achievement in the field of architecture and thus encourage members of the profession in their efforts to achieve distinction of design.

### *Harold Sleeper Addresses Quebec's Annual Meeting*

Harold R. Sleeper, F.A.I.A., of New York, was guest speaker at the luncheon which climaxed the 59th annual meeting of the Province of Quebec Association of Architects which convened at the Windsor Hotel in Montreal on January 27 and 28.

Mr. Sleeper, a past president of the New York Chapter, The American Institute of Architects, and chairman of the Advisory Commission on Rezoning of New York, discussed "The Public and the Architect."

More missionary work on the part of members of the profession is needed to get rid of certain public misconceptions regarding architects, Mr. Sleeper suggested:

"The public should know that we can be of help at a small cost in vital matters such as selecting a site, changing plans to fit a site, supervision or minor changes in stock plans."

Comparing architecture to medicine, Mr. Sleeper asked: "What doctor would refuse to bandage a cut finger or prescribe for your stomach upset? He takes the small, uninteresting jobs along with those that are more serious. Can't we do as much?"

Through public relations, Mr. Sleeper stressed, much can be done to give the public a clearer picture of the architect and his work.

Pierre C. Amos of Montreal, newly-elected president of the association, presided at the luncheon.

Other officers for 1950 are: H. Ross Wiggs, Montreal, first vice president; Emile Venne, Montreal, second vice president; John Bland, honorary treasurer; Maurice Payette, honorary secretary; J. C. Meadowcroft, Montreal, retiring president.

Members of the Council are: George E. deVarennes, Hugh A. I. Valentine, E. J. Turcotte, Henri Mercier, R. E. Bolton, Patsy Colangelo, Paul Fleury, all of Montreal; Alphonse Belanger, Sherbrooke; Lucien Mainguy, Gerard Venne, Quebec.

### *American, Canadian Planners Meet in Joint Sessions*

Members of the American Institute of Planners and the Institute of Profes-

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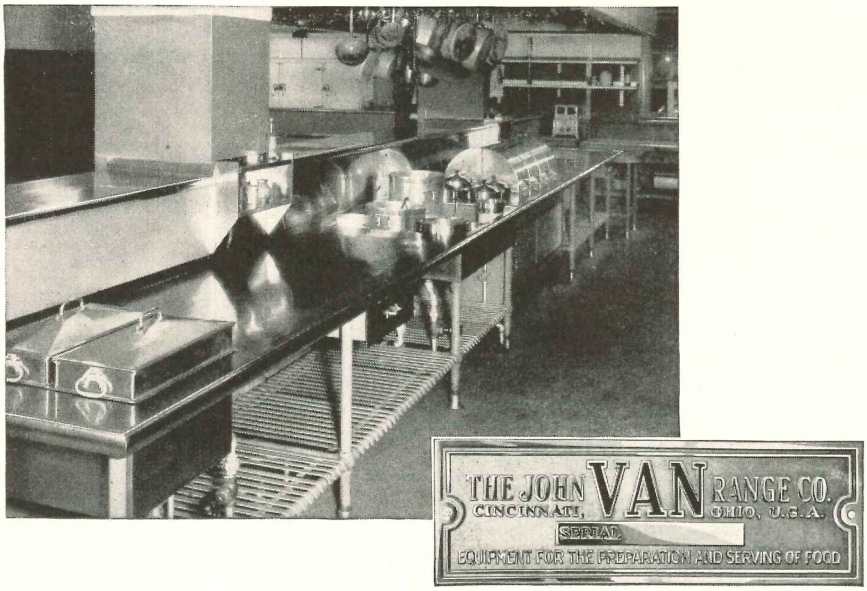


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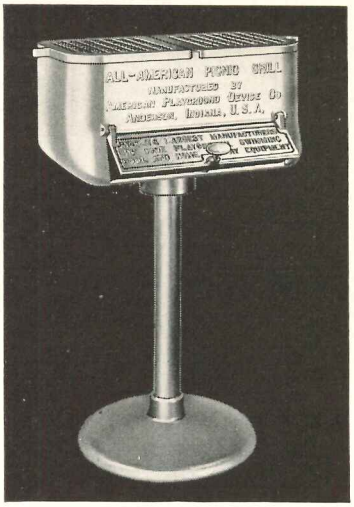


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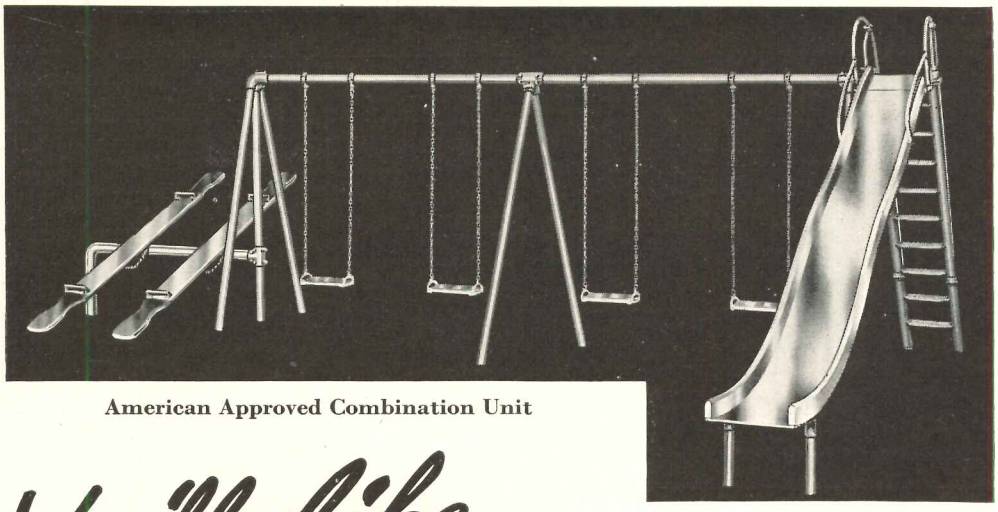

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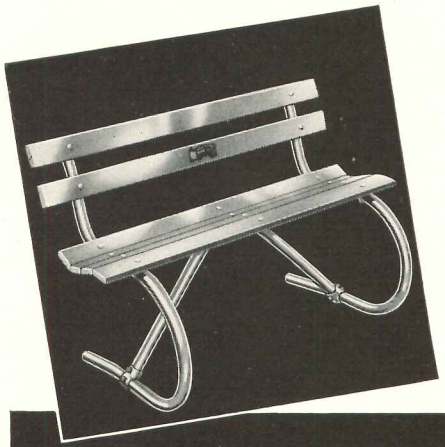

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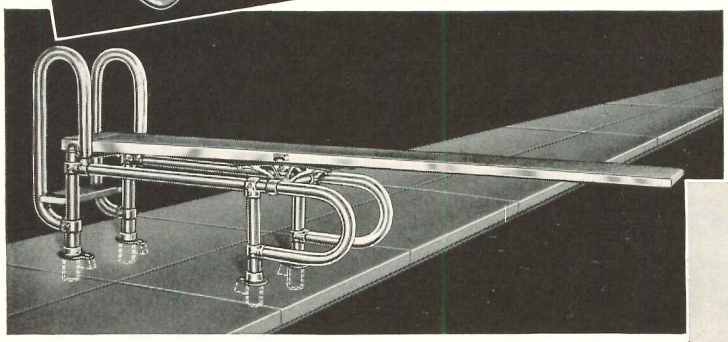

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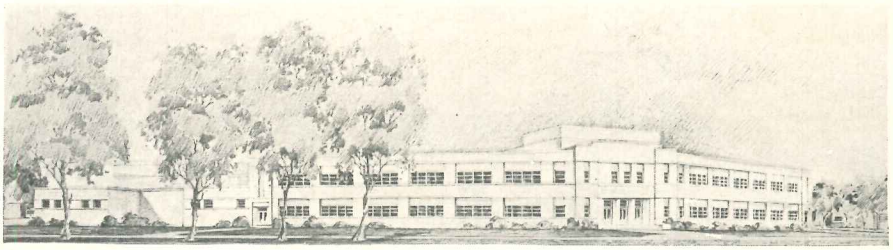

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sional Town Planners of Canada raised their voices in friendly discussion at joint sessions held at Niagara Falls, Ontario, March 3–5.

In addition to general meetings, there were panel discussions, luncheons and dinners, with distinguished planning authorities participating. Subjects for the discussions were: "The Consultant and the City Plan — How May His Services Best Be Applied?", "Techniques of New Town Design," "New Trends in Housing and Redevelopment Legislation," and "An Institute Program to Formulate a National Policy and a National Program for Planning."

Speakers included Frederick J. Adams, president of the American Institute of Planners; Miss Catherine Bauer; The Hon. W. Griesinger, Minister of Planning and Development of Ontario; George Prudham, M.P., parliamentary assistant to the Minister of Resources and Development; Hon. C. Girard Davidson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for the United States; Carl Friedrich, professor of government, Graduate School of Public Administration, Harvard University; W. Phillip Shatts, president, Metropolitan Plan Association Inc., St. Louis, Mo.

### *D. G. Geiger New Head Of Engineers' Council*

D. G. Geiger, representing the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, Canadian District, was elected chairman at the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Council of Professional Engineers and Scientists.

Dr. G. C. Monture, O.B.E., representing the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, was elected vice chairman.

L. L. Bolton continues as liaison officer and acting secretary until a decision on scope of future activities is made.

### *Ontario Architects Name Representative to C.N.E.*

Toronto's Mackenzie Waters has been reappointed as representative of the Ontario Association of Architects to the Canadian National Exhibition for 1950.

Mr. Waters is also a member of the C.N.E. Board of Directors.

### *Study Climatic Factors in Problem of Condensation*

Extended research into the building problem caused by Canada's climatic conditions was reported to the 43rd as-

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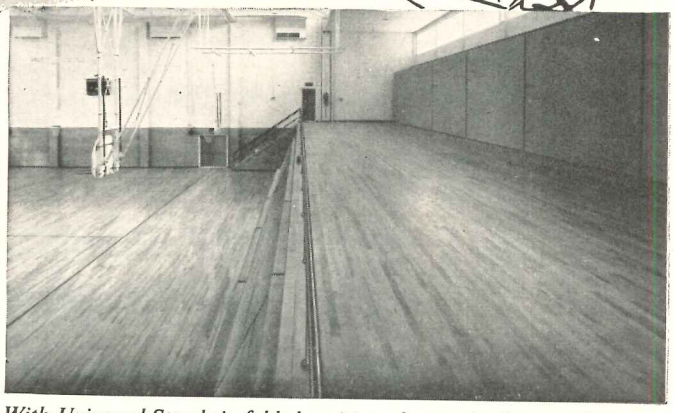

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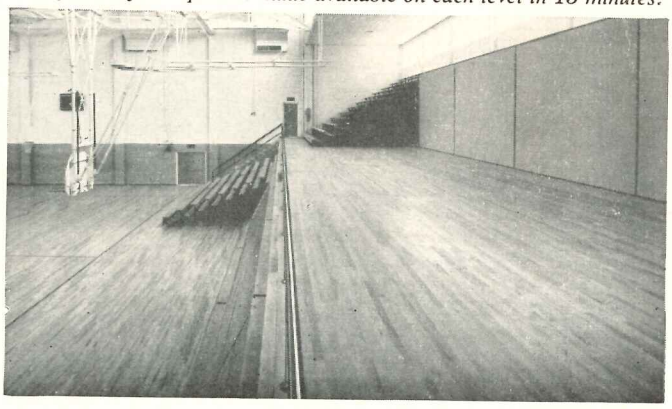

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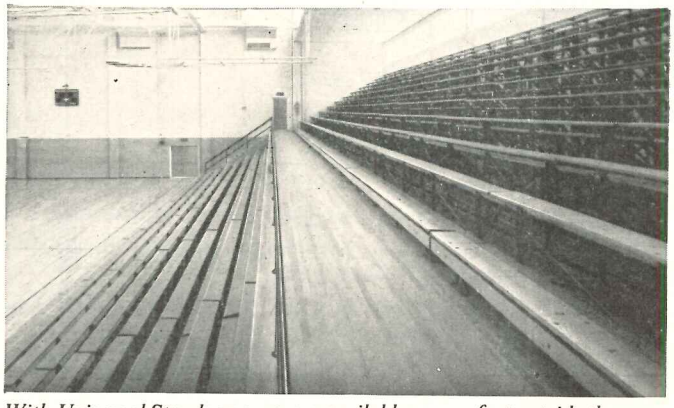

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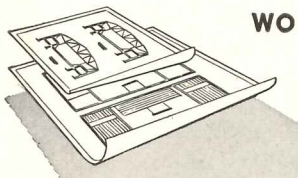

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sembly of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada by R. F. Legget, director, Division of Building Research, National Research Council.

Mr. Legget noted that the two-year-old division is accenting climatic conditions in its program, which also includes fire research, special problems of building in the North, soils and foundations study, snow and ice research.

Some surveys of houses in operation have been carried out and have revealed serious problems of condensation brought about by improved standards of insulation and construction, he said.

So serious are condensation problems in modern house building that the division arranged for carrying out a special eight-week test in the climatometer of Pennsylvania State College. A small test building insulated in different ways was subjected to severe outside conditions, while normal living conditions were maintained inside, Mr. Legget reported.

This project threw new light on condensation problems and will assist the division in planning its own research facilities in Ottawa. Construction may start early this year.

### *$20 Million Development Slated for North York*

Accommodations for nearly 2000 families will be provided in a $20 million housing and commercial development expected to get under way shortly in North York township, bordering on Toronto.

Included in the project are 1200 homes, apartment buildings containing 500 suites and a shopping centre with 12 acres of stores.

The land, purchased several years ago by Central Mortgage and Housing Corp., is being subdivided by Investors Syndicate of Canada Ltd. and the Great West Life Assurance Co. It is the biggest housing undertaking in the township since the war.

The two companies, in preparing the land for sale to contractors, invested $1 million in public improvements.

### *Marcel Breuer Visits Toronto*

"Where Do We Stand?" was the topic of a recent address given in the Museum Theatre, Toronto, by Marcel Breuer, well-known exponent of contemporary architecture in the United States.

Mr. Breuer's visit to Toronto was sponsored by the Architectural Society of the University of Toronto.

### *Priorities Office Disbanded*

Now that there are few scarcities in building materials, the federal government has announced the closing of its priorities office.

Since 1941 this office has granted priority ratings for construction materials, following a policy favoring veterans and those building dwellings worth $10,000 or less.

The office reached peak activity after the war, and in the past five years okayed priority ratings for about 105,000 houses.

At present there are only a half-dozen scarce building items in Canada: cement and its by-products; brick, in Ontario and Quebec; small-sized nails; steel sheets; plumbing pipe and fixtures.

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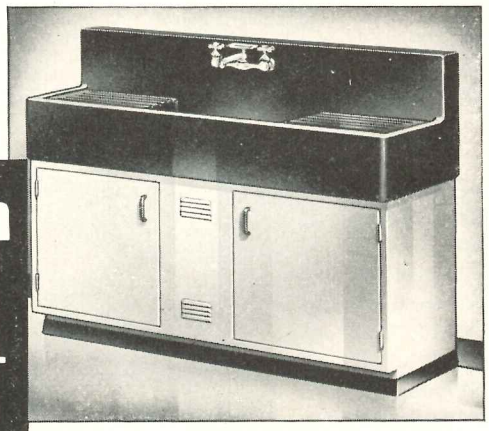

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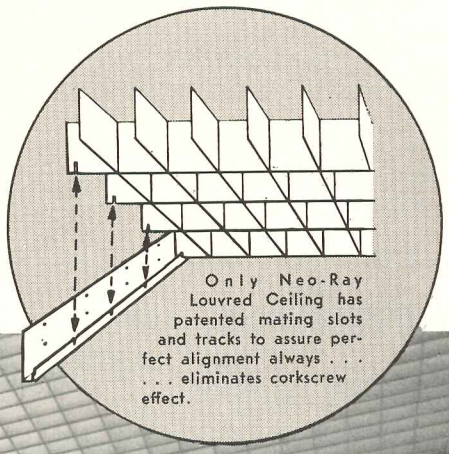

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### *Ontario Acts on Housing*

Legislation making racial or religious restrictions in property deeds illegal is under consideration in the new session of the Ontario provincial legislature. The Ontario government plans to outlaw any future deeds which include such clauses.

Also being introduced is legislation to get under way a low-cost housing plan which will offer tenants an opportunity to buy the dwellings they occupy. In the last two years Ontario housing loans of more than $17 million have enabled 15,000 families to buy their homes.

### *Apprentice System Needs Aid*

Contracting firms must show more active interest in the apprentice system, H. C. Nicholls of Toronto told members of the Ontario General Contractors' Association at their annual meeting in Toronto recently.

Bricklayers and plasterers particularly were criticized. As chairman of the Apprenticeship Committee, Mr. Nicholls told of a recent occasion when six boys wished to be apprenticed to bricklaying and he was unable to place them.

The building industry must do everything possible to improve this "fantastic" situation, he said, urging employers to take interest in their apprentices, see that they work with good mechanics, and have the necessary tools.

### *Edmonton Sets Building Pace*

This year promises to be one to remember in the nation's fastest-growing city: Edmonton, Alberta.

According to the *Edmonton Journal*, $65 million in building projects are now under way or pending. And predictions are that by the end of the year, this may reach a whopping $90 million.

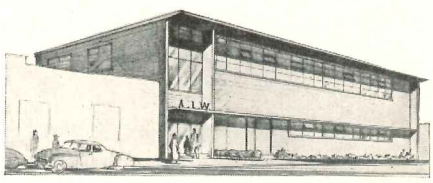
What happens to a city when it finds itself in the midst of an oil boom can best be understood by a glance at construction figures: private housing will account for $25 million; retail stores, $5 million; warehouses, commercial and office buildings, $10 million.

Also planned are a $28 million refinery, a $5 million extension to the C.N.R. MacDonald Hotel, a new federal building and other government buildings at $9 million, new schools worth $5 million, and extensions to the University of Alberta.

### *Protest Obsolete Bylaw*

What's the cost of an obsolete plumbing bylaw?

Well, in Toronto it's claimed to amount to $1 million a year. That's the estimate of Alderman Belyea, who points out that Toronto's plumbing bylaws haven't been revised for 30 years and therefore bear no relation to present-day needs. Citizens are forced to spend $1 million each year, he says, for needless work and installations.



*Proposed office and warehouse extension for Allcock, Laight & Westwood Co. Ltd., Leaside, Ont. (photo of rendering above) will have structural steel frame, front brick-faced, concrete block side walls. Harry B. Kohl of Toronto is the architect*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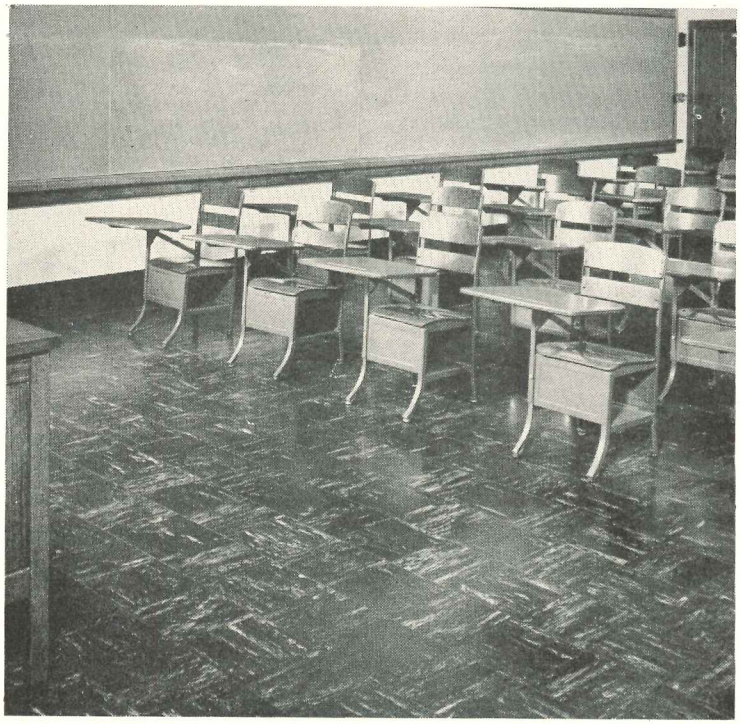

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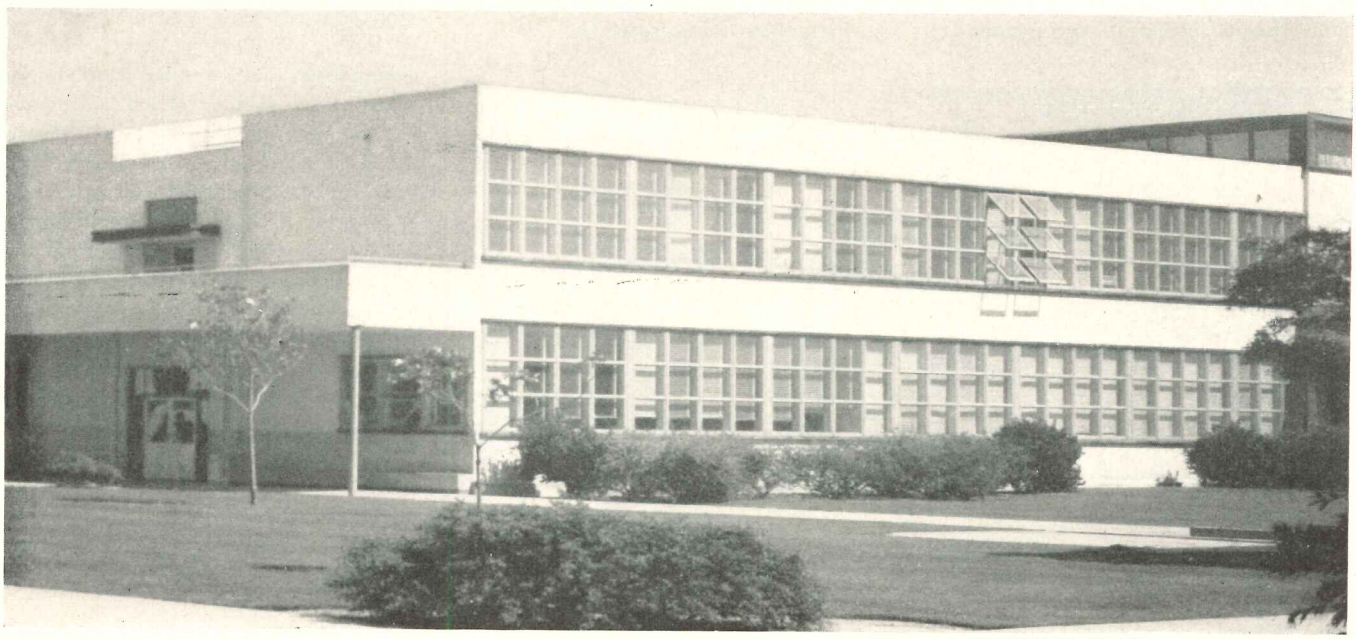

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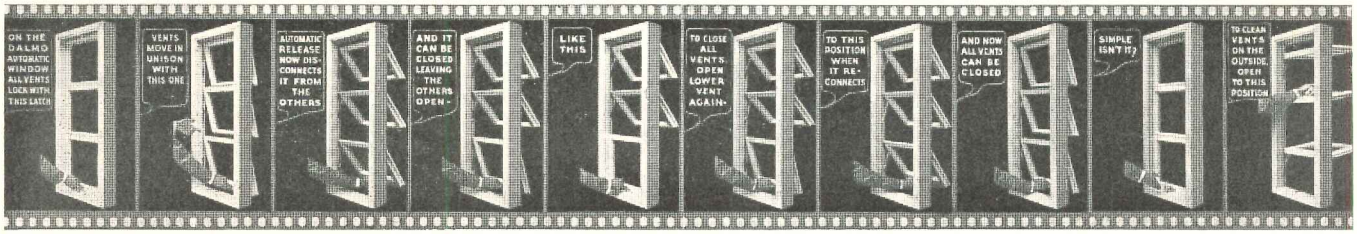

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### *Architects Attend*

Although primarily a builders' convention, it was attended by many architects. Professionals specializing in residential work and community development projects not only were present in large numbers but took part in many of the meetings, which ran in profusion throughout the four-day convention. One of these, entitled "The Architect and Builder Debate Today's and Tomorrow's House Design" was moved from its former "clinic" status to the grand ballroom of the Stevens, where 3000 people could attend. Here a panel of three architects, three builders and several magazine editors exchanged ideas and debated trends in design. If any conclusion could be drawn from this discussion, it was that builders are at last awakening to the possibilities of good modern design and the value of sound professional assistance, but are vastly confused as to what buyers in their communities will accept.

Another panel entitled "Producing Better Custom-Built Homes" surprised convention arrangers by overflowing its allotted space and resolving into an extended debate on the extent of consumer acceptance of modern trends in home design. Architect Walter K. Durham of Philadelphia participated in the panel discussion.

Even the feminine side of the profession of architecture came in for attention at the builders' convention. A national competition for women students in architecture in the United States and Canada was sponsored by the National Association of Home Builders and *American Builder* Magazine, and prize winners received their awards in the opening assembly. Women architectural students representing 31 colleges had submitted entries. The first prize of $500 was awarded to Elizabeth Graham Bell, an advanced student in architecture at Carnegie Institute of Technology; second prize went to Sonia Jean Albert of Yale; and third prize went to three girl students at the University of Illinois, who collaborated in designing what they titled "Sunback House." They were: Nancy Hopkins, Josephine Willrodt and Margaret Sinclair.

Further evidence of builder interest in design, color and texture was indicated by a grand ballroom program presided over by a woman builder, Mrs. Henny Mollgaard, of Milwaukee. Panel talks were devoted to "House Design from a Woman's Viewpoint," "Modern Wallpapers and their Effectiveness," "Proper Lighting for Homes and Gardens" and "What the Right Color Did for 30,000 Homes" — a slide lecture by Color Consultant Beatrice West.

### *Radiant Heat*

The glittering array of equipment, devices and materials for homes, largest ever assembled, called attention to the change taking place in design and construction. Notable were the large number of new, compact heating units for radiant panel systems and for perimeter systems. Displayed also were new white-jacketed heating plants for location in kitchens or laundries. Other compact units were designed for use in attics, in crawl spaces, under stairs, in closets and between studding in walls.

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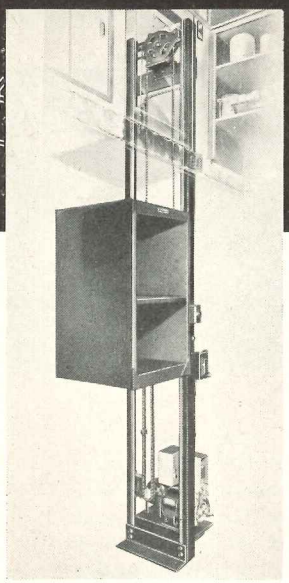

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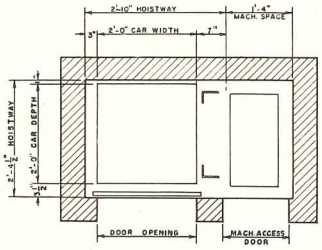


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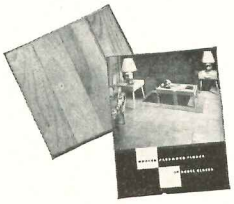

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stallation of his tubular front door unit in 2½ minutes time. An in-wall heating unit that can be installed in 40 minutes was shown. Prefabricated chimneys that cut both time and cost attracted much attention.

Exhibits of windows showed the trend to greater glass area and double glazing. One manufacturer displayed a double glazed unit that is raised and lowered by turning a switch. As the window disappears, a screen takes its place. (Vita Automatic Windows, Inc., New York)

Another manufacturer displayed a window unit consisting of a fixed glass area in a louvered frame. Screened louvers, located above, below or beside the fixed glass area, provide all necessary ventilation, while the glass area admits light and permits vision. Double glazing eliminates the need for storm sash. (Solar Air-Flo, Inc., Elkhart, Ind.)

Also shown was a complete window package consisting of frame, weatherstripping, glass, screen and insulating panels. They are installed with a minimum of labor. Both glass and screen panels are easily removed from the inside. Adding the insulating panel affords double glass protection in cold weather. (F. C. Russell Co., Cleveland, Ohio)

Improvements in kitchen convenience were numerous. A new three-compartment sink was on display. The third compartment, located between two regular bowls, is a covered well which contains a hidden garbage basket. Scraps are disposed of by washing into the basket. (American Radiator & Standard Sanitary Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa.)

Better lighting, step-saving layouts, and easy-to-clean working surfaces were featured in other kitchen displays.

For the modern kitchen-laundry, an appliance manufacturer displayed his new model sink that acts as clothes washer and dishwasher in addition to its regular functions. Thus, the housewife first clears breakfast dishes away in a dishwasher that does full service for six in five minutes. Then she effects a quick change of tubs and does the family wash. The unit not in use is stored in the cabinet below the sink and is mounted on a swinging arm. The entire installation is 60 in. long, 27 in. wide and 36 in. from floor to work surface. (Thor Corp., Chicago, Ill.)

Two separate units, a new electric cooking top and electric oven, can now be built in as part of the kitchen. Designed for complete individuality of kitchen arrangement, these independent units may be mounted on the working level at any height to suit the housewife, and may be located wherever desired, even on opposite sides of the kitchen. A companion appliance, a built-in electric griddle, was also previewed at the exposition. (Thermidor Electrical Mfg. Co., Los Angeles, Calif.)

For flexible storage, prefabricated wood wall closets are rapidly gaining favor. They offer extra storage space at low cost and can be built in as partition walls in new homes or merely added in houses already built. (The Mengel Co., Louisville, Ky.)

Typical among the many new products which stress economy was a new type bonding plaster which makes it possible to refinish old or damaged walls and ceilings without knocking out the old plaster or removing the wood trim. It is said to bond to cracked, chipped or painted walls, to Spanish plaster, glazed tile, concrete, brick, fiberboard, wallboard and insulation board (Nu-Wall Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis.)

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terials. In this connection, the section on the effect of paint on the absorption of acoustical materials discusses what is perhaps the most vital consideration in the maintenance of acoustically treated interiors.

The last part of the book applies the criteria previously developed to the planning of specific types of rooms and buildings such as theaters, speech and music rooms, schools, restaurants, commercial buildings, churches and radio, TV and recording studios. ACOUSTICAL DESIGNING IN ARCHITECTURE is a volume that should be in the library of every architect's office.

### NOISE CONTROL

*Noise and Sound Transmission: Report of the 1948 Summer Symposium of the Acoustics Group. The Physical Society, London, 1949; available from Acoustical Society of America (57 E. 55th St., New York 22, N. Y.). 7 by 10¼ in. 200 pp., illus. $2.75.*

Noise control is usually the most important aspect of acoustics to be considered when buildings are being planned. Contained in these technical papers, presented at the Symposium by investigators from 12 countries, is a great deal of sound insulation data and design information for noise control with various types of construction.

The symposium was convened by the Acoustics Group in association with the Royal Institute of British Architects. Thus, in addition to the fundamental research reported, there are many papers of value and interest to RECORD readers. For example: Party Walls with Improved Sound Reduction; The Sound Insulation of Wood-Joist Floors; Floating Floors; A Study of Domestic Noise. This country was represented by Leo L. Beranek of the M.I.T. Acoustics Laboratory, who described studies in progress at this school on Sound Transmission through Partitions.

### FOR THE FARM

*Farm Structures. By H. J. Barre and L. L. Sammet. John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (440 Fifth Ave., New York 16, N. Y.), 1950. 6¼ by 8½ in. xi + 650 pp., illus. $7.00.*

Six basic areas of instruction in agricultural engineering were considered by the authors in the preparation of this text: farm structures, field power, field machinery, processing of farm products,

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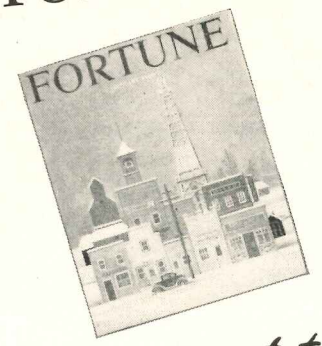


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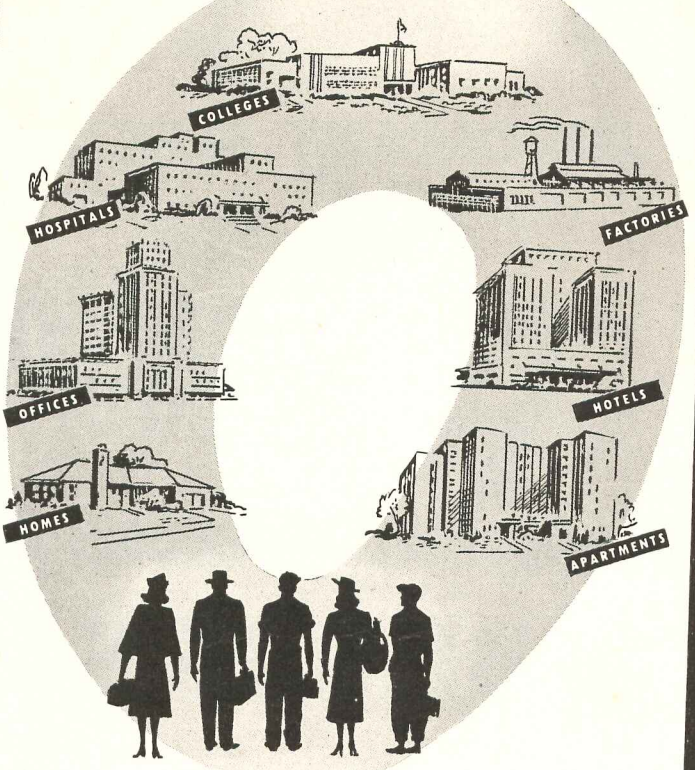


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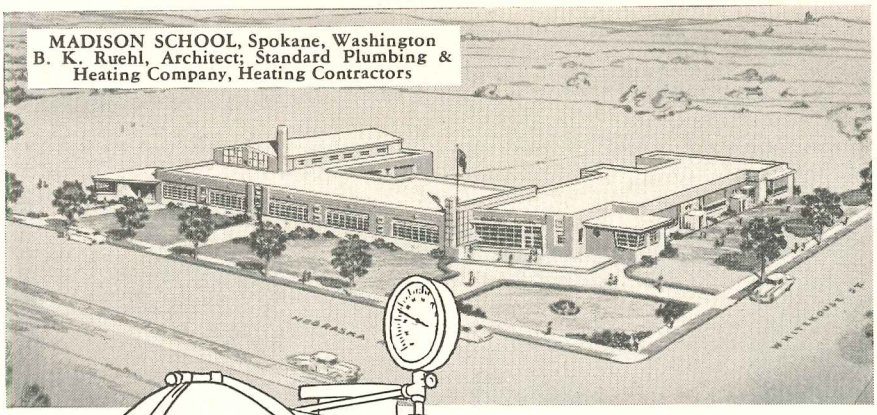


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*Scientific and Technical Abbreviations, Signs and Symbols. 2nd ed. By O. T. Zimmerman and Irvin Lavine. Industrial Research Service (Dover, N. H.), 1949. 5½ by 8¼ in. xiv + 542 pp., illus. $7.50.*

This second edition follows the first edition of the work by only a year; but recent important developments in the field of abbreviations, signs and symbols make this revision welcome. Major developments covered in the new edition include issuance of the new American Standard for physics, electrical quantities, and aerodynamics and aeronautics; adoption by the U. S. Weather Bureau of the International Weather Code; important revisions of several earlier American Standards.

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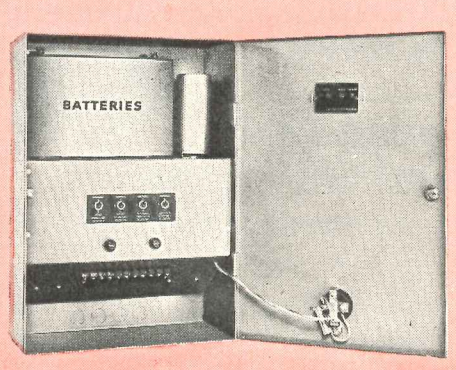


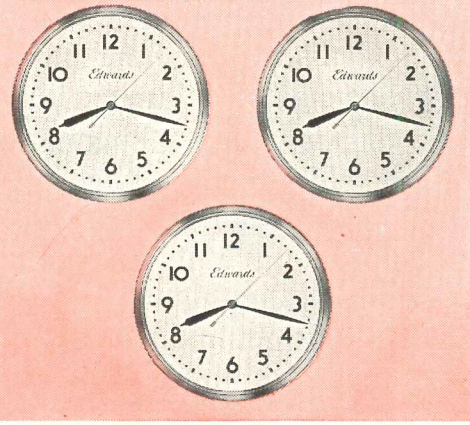


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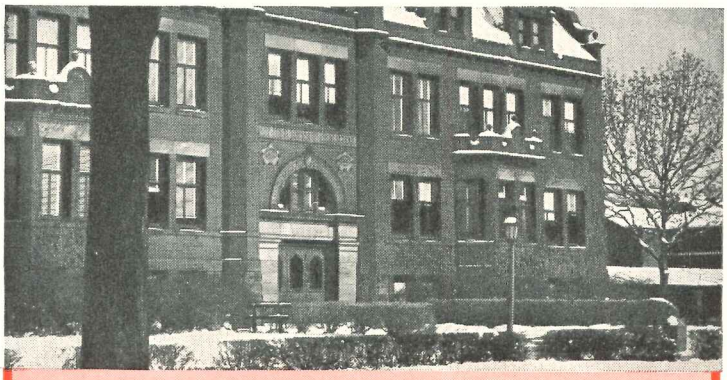

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#### *Conclusions*

A large part of this article has dealt with the noise control aspect of acoustics, and indeed this is usually the most important aspect to be considered in the planning stages. Noise control is the primary means for providing a satisfactory acoustic environment, and without a sufficiently low background noise in a room, the hearing conditions will be unsatisfactory regardless of the design and finish treatment.

The simple element of distance between noise sources and quiet areas can often be had without cost — and yet this element is frequently overlooked, to the expense of the client. Of course noise insulation can be obtained in a wall of almost any thickness, but beyond a point the cost rises tremendously with decreasing thickness or increasing value of insulation. If high insulation with construction of reasonable cost and weight is desired, considerable thickness must be provided. Adequate thickness must also be planned for low frequency absorptive treatment where required.

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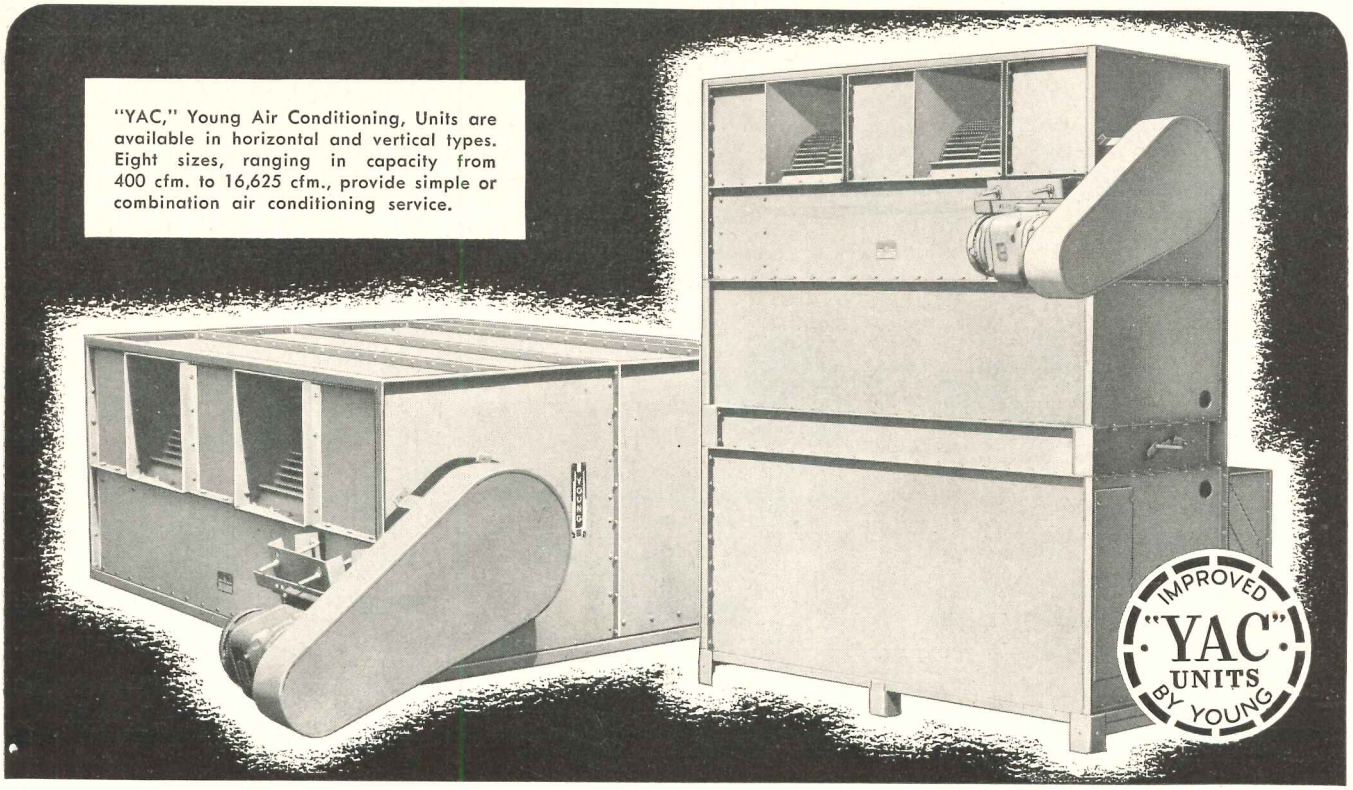


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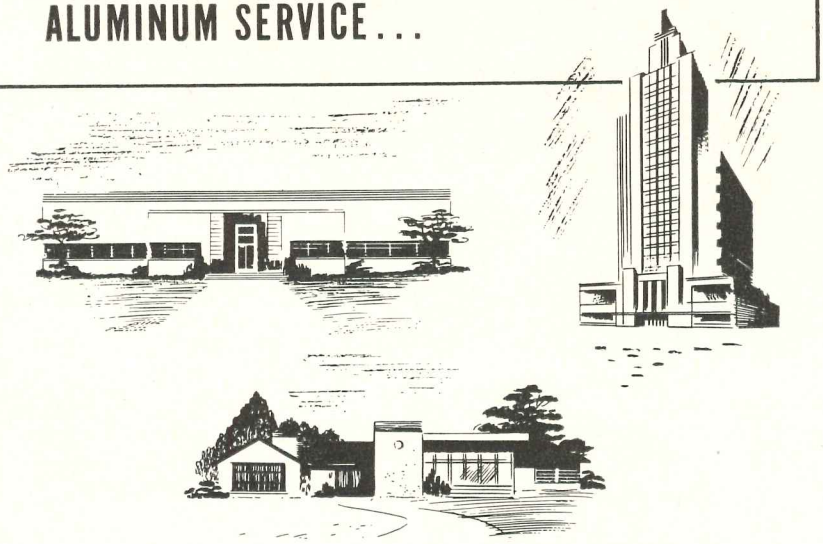

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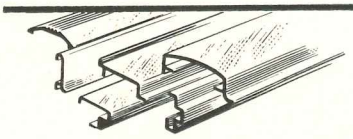

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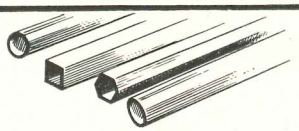

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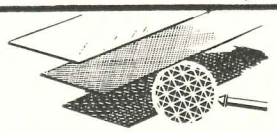

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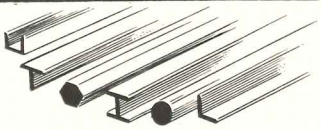

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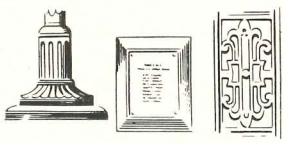

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Individual lighting fixtures in this PLEXIGLAS installation measure 6 x 8 feet and consist of four corrugated-bottom diffusing panels with curved side panels—all of white translucent acrylic plastic. Each fixture is lighted with ten 96" 300 MA Slimline and two 40-watt fluorescent lamps. Room ceiling is 18 feet high. Fixtures installed by Bell Electric Company. Design Consultants: W. E. Conley, General Electric Company; John Liston, George S. Rider Co.; W. A. Mize, Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company.

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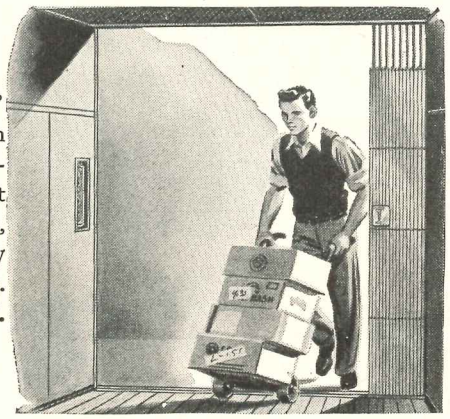

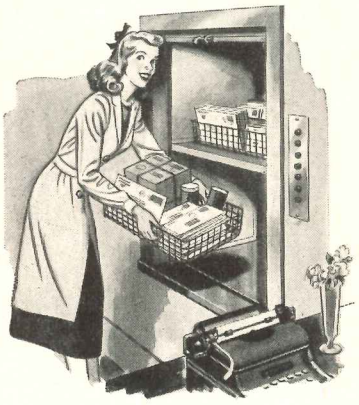

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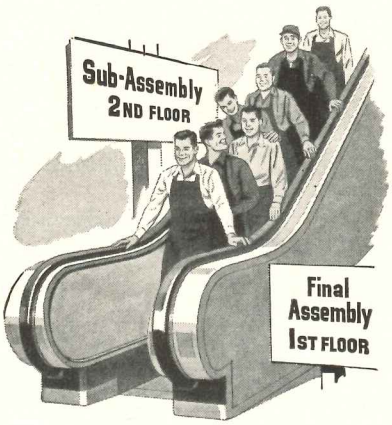


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a separate door for the garbage man. The floor of this room should be provided with a deep drain in order that the garbage cans can be rinsed properly. A hot water tap and hose are necessary. A rack or rod for drying wet mops and a place for the mop buckets should be included.

#### *Helpers' Room*

The helpers should be provided with a locker room. A toilet and lavatory should be included; the wash sink should have foot control for faucets.

#### *Clean-Up Area*

Dishes and trays are returned to the pass window which opens into the dish-washing unit. The pass window should be wide enough to permit the quick return of trays and dishes. To save time and labor, counters in the pass windows may be divided into sections — one for silverware, one for glasses, one for dishes and the last section for trays.

The soiled dish table should be provided with a scrape hole and garbage can beneath. It is desirable to have a hose with a spray attachment and a small sink so that the dishes may be pre-rinsed before entering the dish-

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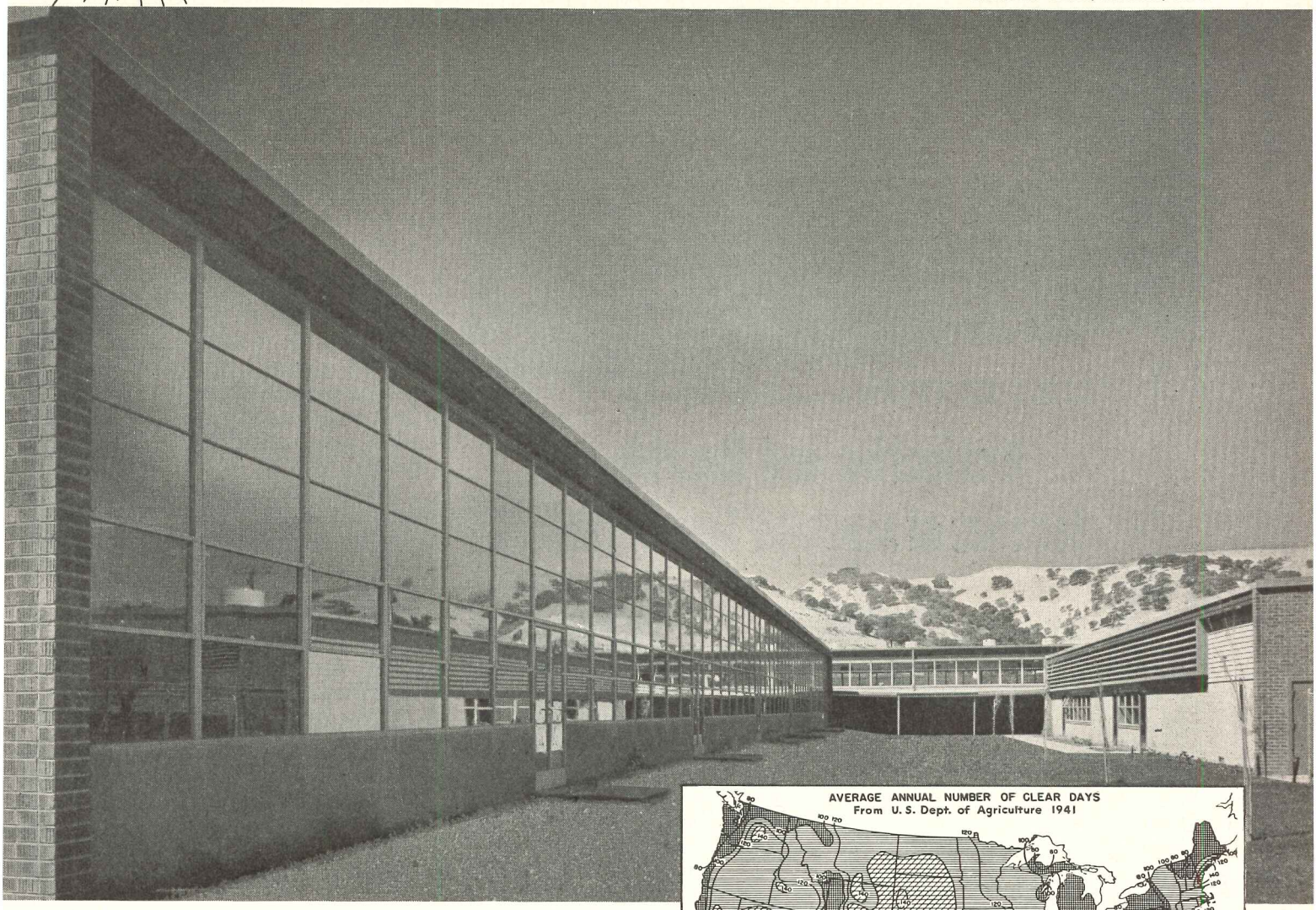
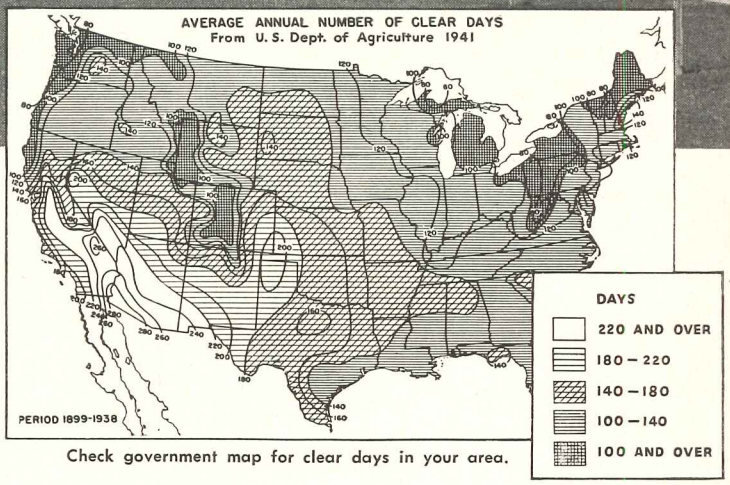
# The Sun Hides on Most School Days...but...

Montecito School, Martinez, Calif.



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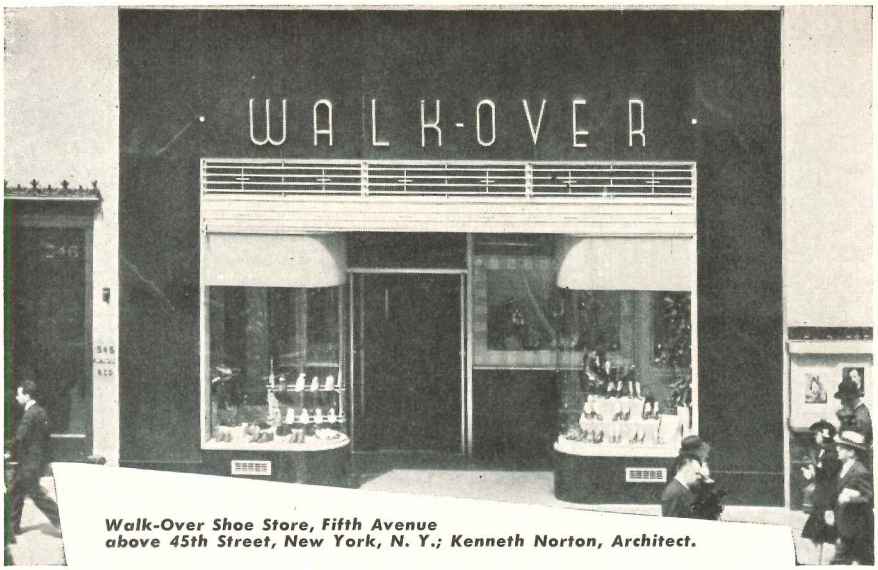


*Walk-Over Shoe Store, Fifth Avenue above 45th Street, New York, N. Y.; Kenneth Norton, Architect.*

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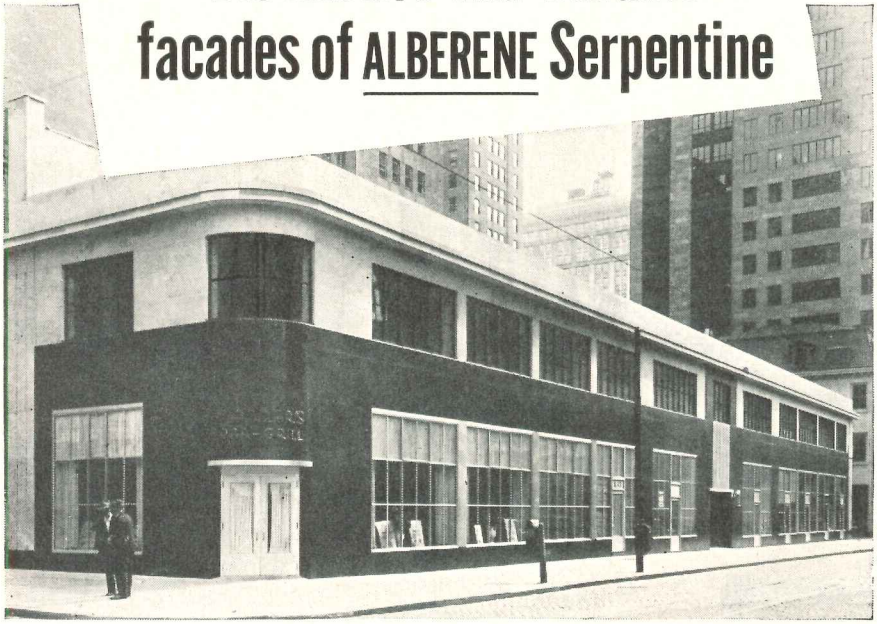

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washing machine. In the smaller schools, if the dishwashing machine is not installed, three sinks are necessary for a pre-rinse, wash and rinse.

A dishwashing machine saves time and labor, and insures sterilization of dishes. The machine should be sized to take trays. (In the elementary schools, the trays are 12 by 14 in.) The water for washing should be 135 to 140 F, and the rinse water 180 F. An adequate hot water storage tank of 150 gal is a necessity.

A handwashing sink for the employees must be located in the kitchen. This is a health department requirement in many areas.

#### *General Suggestions*

Manager's Office — A small office with a desk, files, and shelves for cookbooks should be provided.

Dining Area — The dining area should be completely cut off from service and kitchen areas with a partition having proper entrance and exit doors to and from the service counter and the kitchen itself.

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The following equipment needs are specific, but the sizes are approximate since all models do not require the same space.

*Refrigeration.* Food products require different temperatures. Meat, fish and poultry, 32 F; fruits, vegetables and dairy products, 45–50 F; frozen foods, 5 F. Refrigerator space is usually figured 1/10 to 1/5 cu ft per meal served, but in elementary schools extra refrigeration for the mid-morning milk supply is needed.

*Serving Counters.* The serving counters should be planned with a cold plate or ice pan for salads and milk. If there are two service lines, each service line in the larger junior and senior high schools should have four rectangular compartments and four well-type compartments. In the elementary schools, two rectangular compartments, three 8 1/2-in. wells and one 6 1/2-in. well are needed. Coffee service is needed for the teachers' line.

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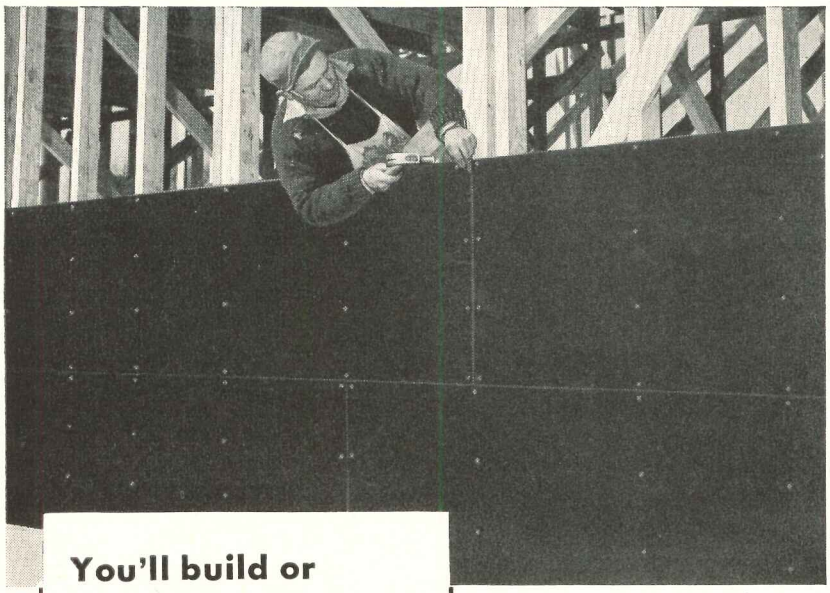

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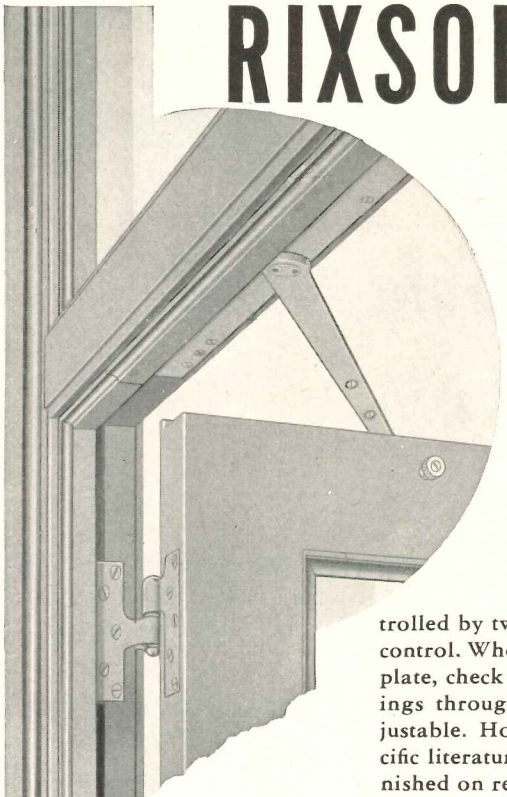

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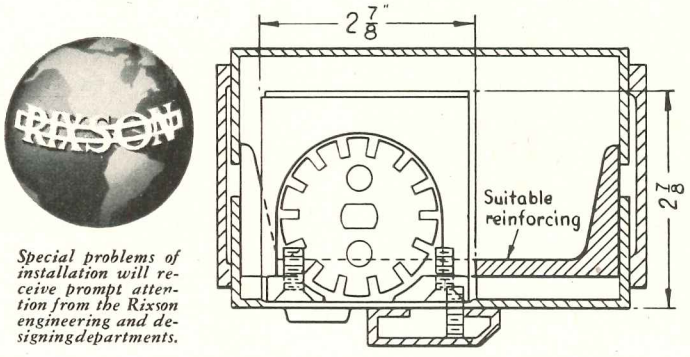


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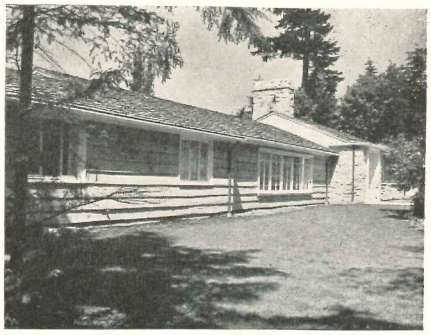

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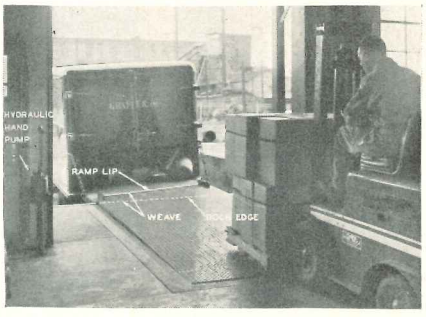


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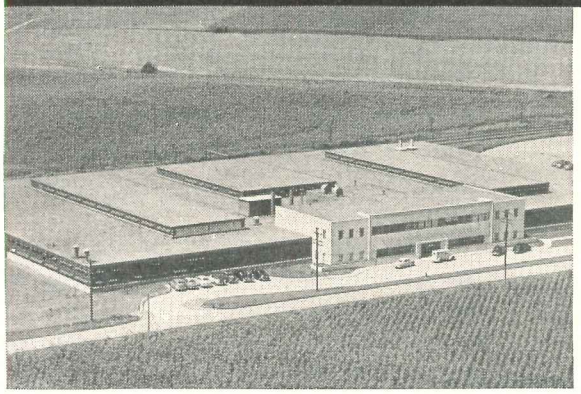

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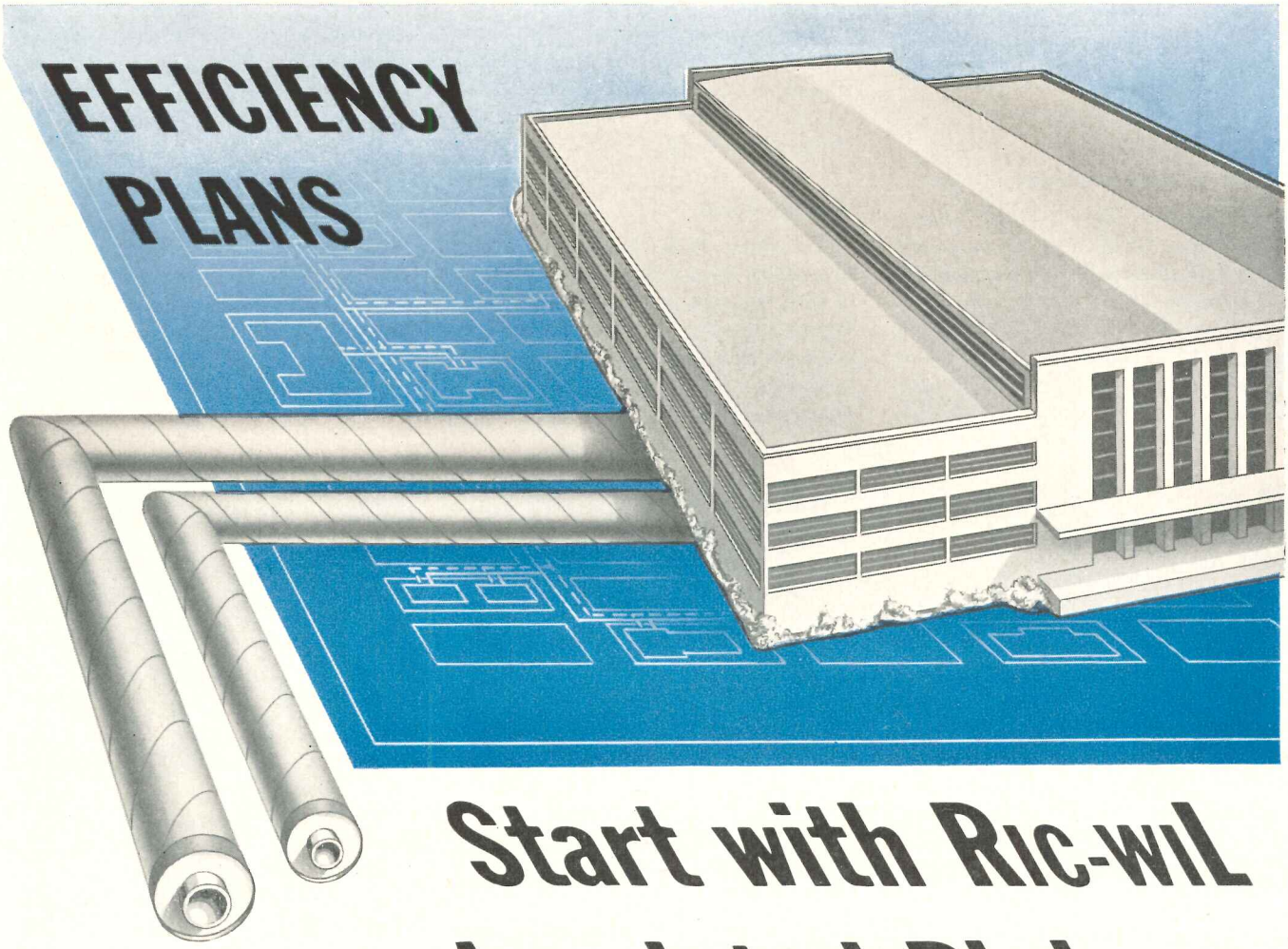


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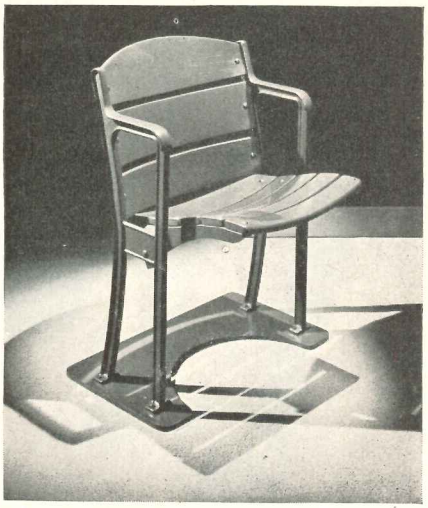
The compact *Bryant Push Contact Lampholders*, designed to accommodate all sizes of slimline lamps, are made of white thermosetting plastic. The leads are said to simplify wiring by making it unnecessary to twist or dip the wire ends. The devices are supplied in pairs for the low voltage primary and high voltage secondary and can be provided for butt-on mounting or equipped with brackets for flush mounting. The Bryant Electric Co., Box D, Barnum Station, Bridgeport 2, Conn.

### *Budget Sink*

The *Elkay* 39-in. stainless steel sink is designed for use as a component part of their 60-in. apartment kitchen installations. The sink, as well as the other units of this "package kitchen," has a stainless steel top set on a white enamel cabinet base. They are recommended for use in summer cottages, guest houses, recreation rooms, etc. Elkay Manufacturing Co., 1874 S. 54th Ave., Chicago 5, Ill.

### *Stadium Seat*

A stadium-type chair, for use in arenas, field houses, stadia, etc., is said to have been so engineered as to eliminate all tearing and pinching hazards, and to afford maximum comfort. It can be furnished for either floor or riser installation.



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### *Floor Slab Sealer*

The *Stafco On-Grade Sealer* was developed to seal concrete ground slabs against capillary moisture and alkali, and to eliminate condensation between the slab and finished floors. Manufacturers claim that the material will function over radiant heating, but is not an adhesive, and will not seal off hydrostatic pressure. Two coats are recommended. The first coat is said to take from 1 to 4 hrs to dry, the second, 8 to 12 hrs. One gallon reportedly covers from 50 to 75 ft with a two coat application. Standard Floor Co., 141 Gulf Bldg., Pittsburgh 19, Penn.

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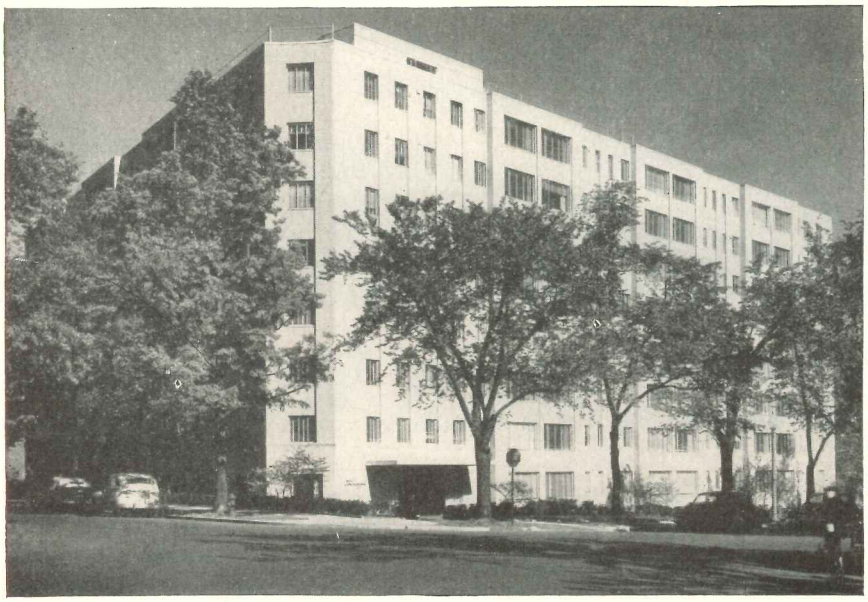

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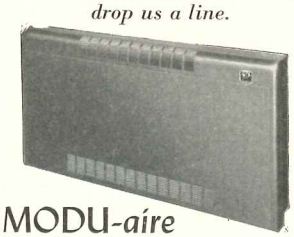

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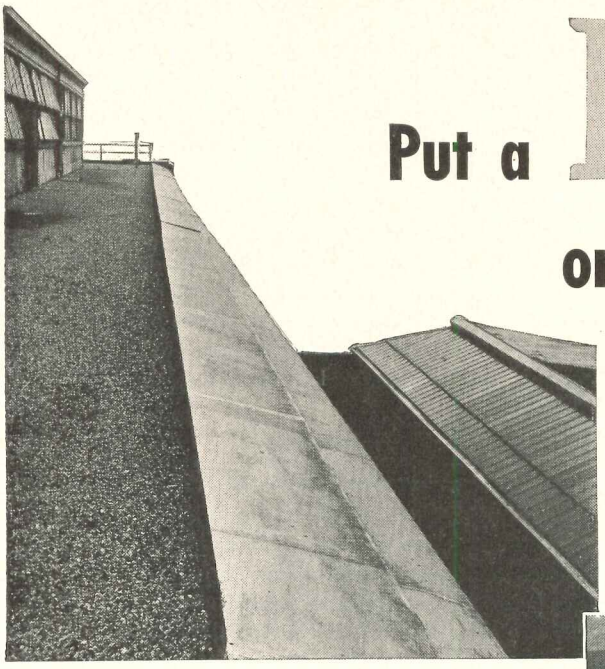

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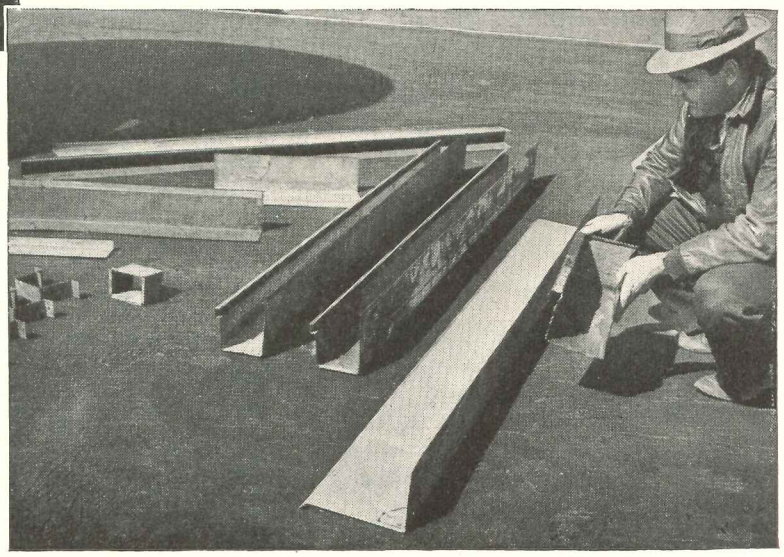

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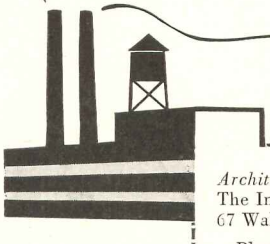

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### *Microfilm Files*

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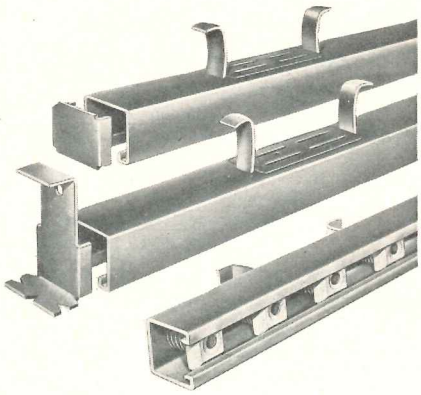
### *Incandescent Bulb*

A new bulb, the *G. E. 50GA*, is announced as having a unique mushroom shape and an enamel finish to form a combined light source and fixture in one unit. The lamp was developed for use in ceiling fixtures in which bare bulbs in base-up position are used.

To be made currently in a 50-watt size, the lamp is said to be 3½ in. in diameter at the widest point, and to direct two-thirds of the light upward. The lower portion of the bulb is covered with a soft-toned permanent enamel finish. General Electric Co., Nela Park, Cleveland 12, Ohio.

### *Concrete Insert*

A new concrete insert, known as the *Series P-3000*, is said to allow attachments to be made quickly and easily at any point along the channel without disturbing other attachments. A spring nut is inserted into the channel at the point where attachment is desired, and bolted to the fitting.



*Insert channel for concrete is available with choice of ends, fittings for attachments at any desired point*

The inserts may be had in stock lengths from 3 in. to 20 ft, and are available with Type A plain drive-in end caps or Type B anchor type drive-in end caps equipped with slots for nailing. The insert channel measures 1⅝ in. wide by 1⅜ in. high outside dimensions, is formed of 12 gage cold rolled steel and comes in several finishes. Load capacity is said to be 2000 lb per ft, with a safety factor of 3. Unistrut Products Co., 1013 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago 7, Ill.

### *Radiant Heat Fittings*

*Redi-Bends* is a new line of pre-bent pipe fittings for radiant heating installations, designed to eliminate pipe bending on the job. The units are avail-

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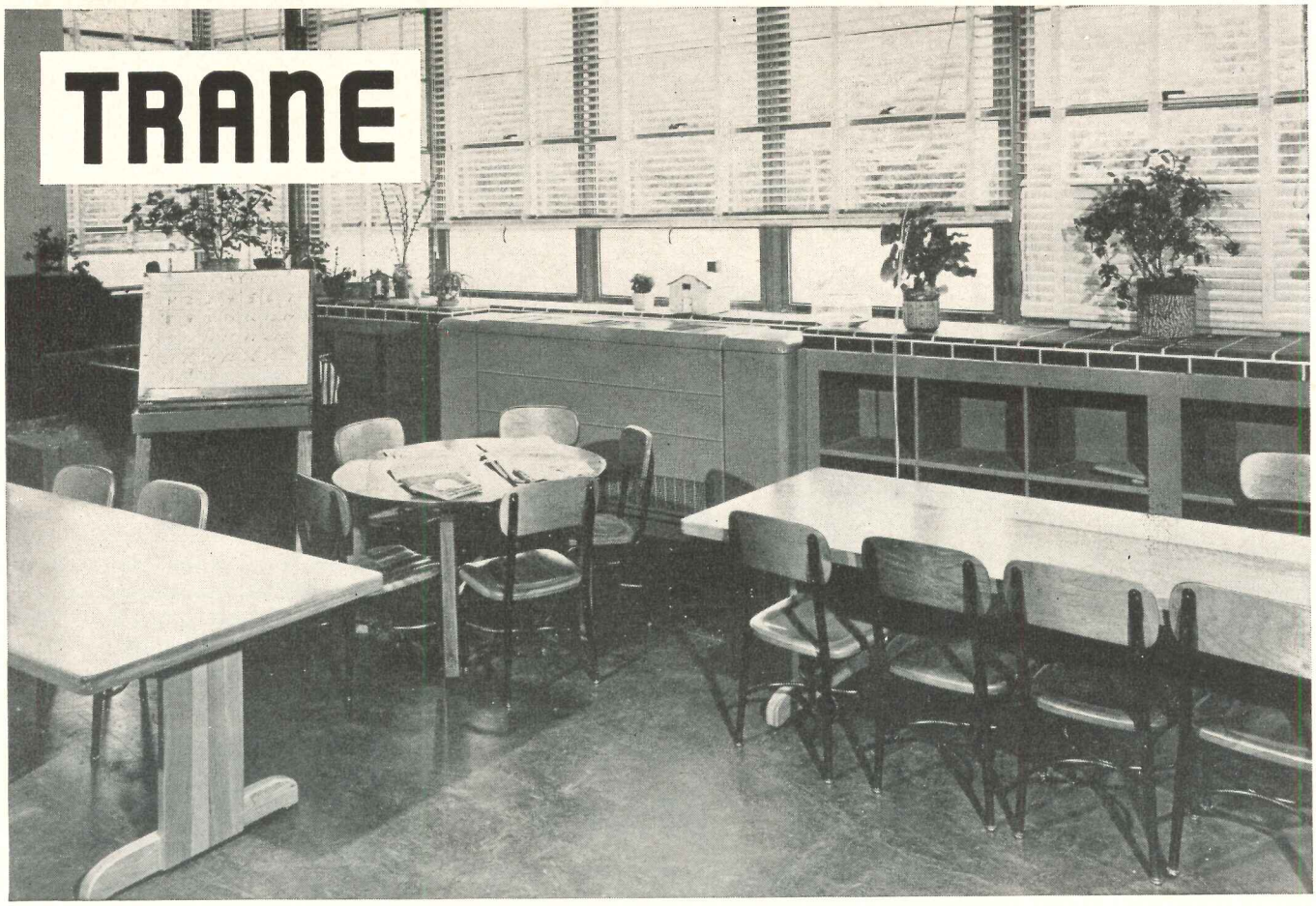


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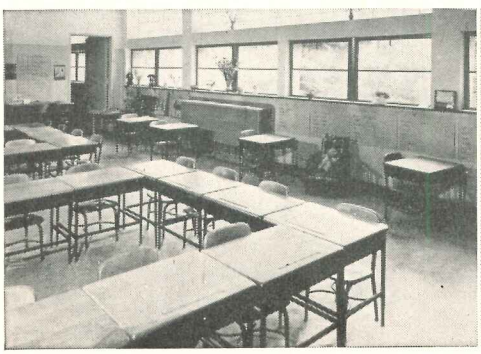

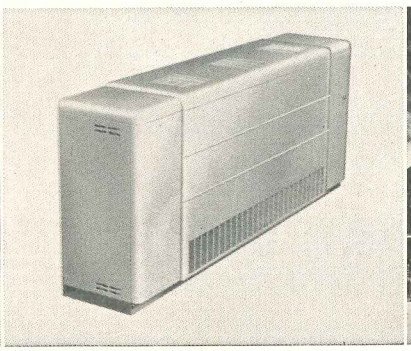

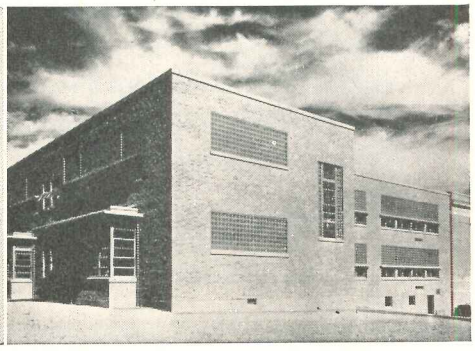

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able in pipe sizes ranging from ½ to 2 in., and in bends of 45, 90 and 180 degrees. The latter bend is made in a choice of centers for each pipe size The fittings are furnished in weld-, sleeve- or coupled-type, and in either wrought iron or steel. The weld-type has ends formed into welding sockets and permits use of an electric seal weld. The sleeve-type is available with ends beveled for welding, and is furnished with or without welding sleeves. The coupled-type has recessed, taper tapped couplings for those who prefer screwed fittings. The Capitol Manufacturing & Supply Co., 153 W. Fulton St., Columbus 16, Ohio.

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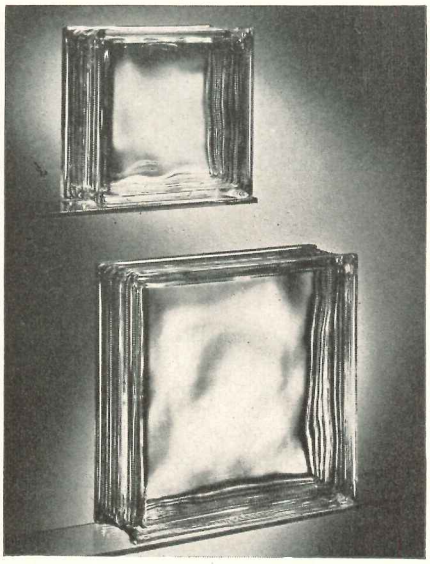
### *Transparent Glass Block*

A glass block design, described as having sparkling transparency, is now available in 8- and 12-in. sizes. This *Random Clear Insulux Glass Block No. 31*) is said to achieve a hand-formed random effect by using several slightly dissimilar molds to form the two halves of the block, and then using different combinations of the halves. American Structural Products Co., Ohio Bank Bldg., Toledo 1, Ohio.



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### *Flush Pedal Converter*

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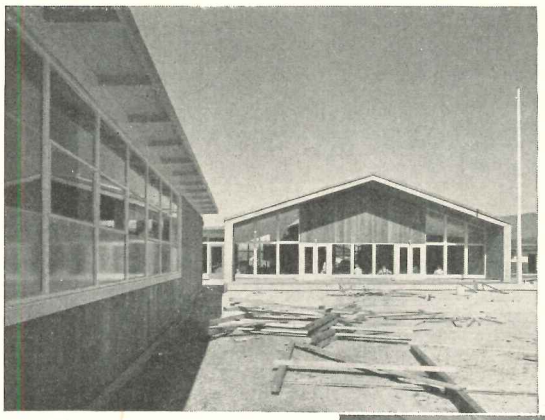

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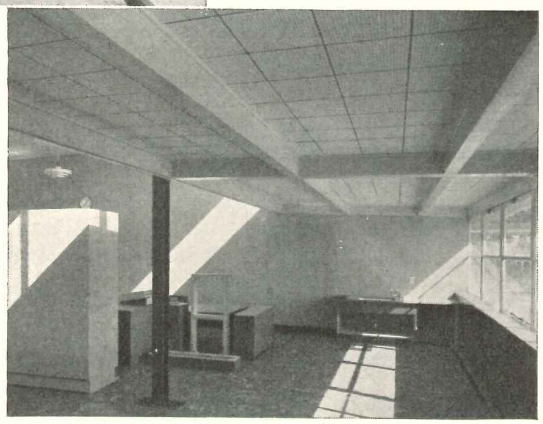

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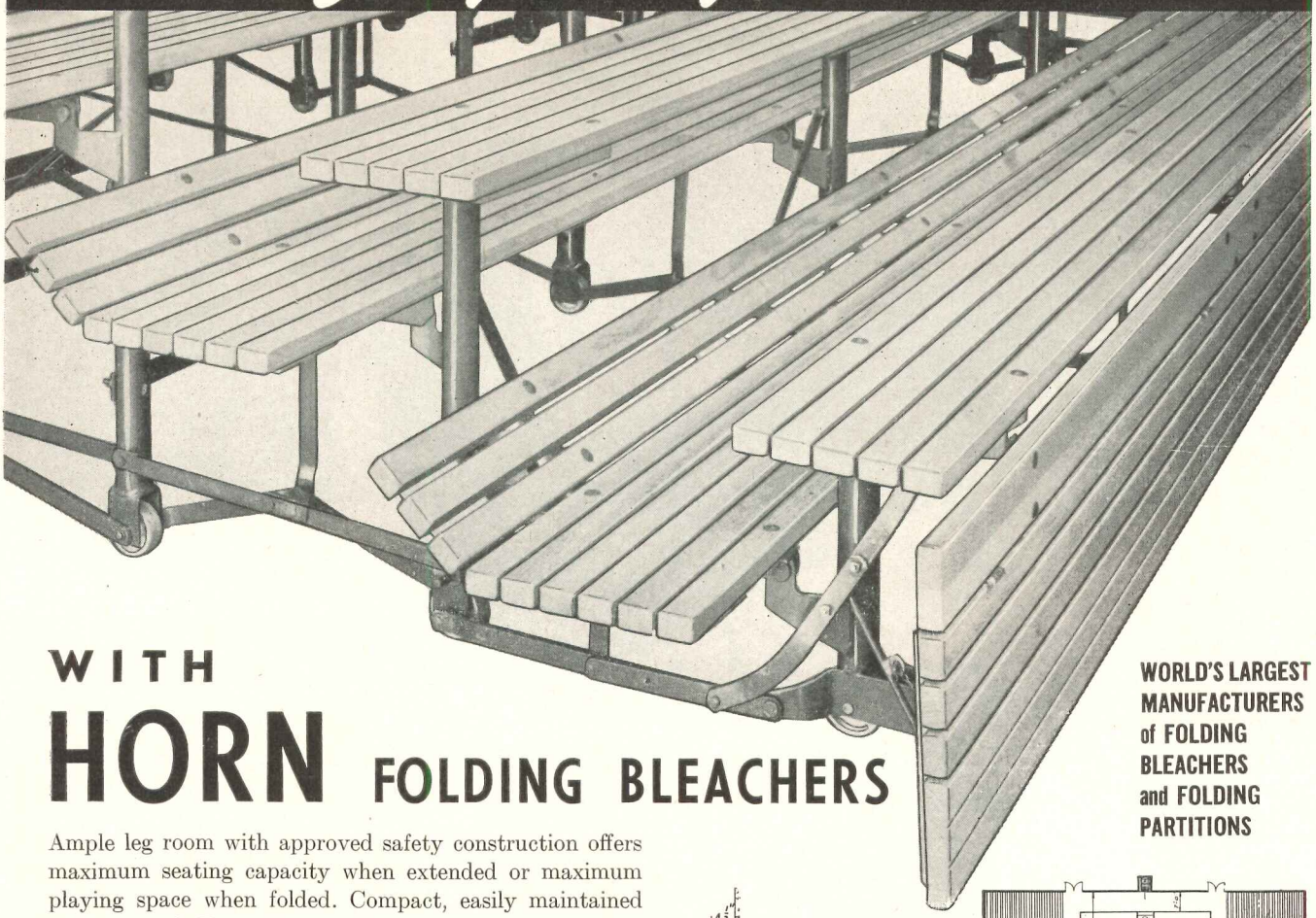

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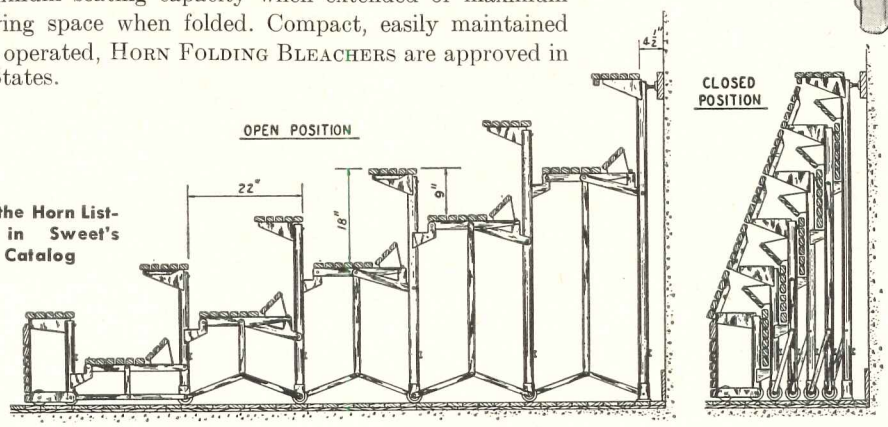





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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | 4 Ft. 9 In. | 1 Ft. 8¾ In. | 3 Ft. 0 In. | 12 | 21 Ft. 3 In. | 4 Ft. 3⅛ In. | 9 Ft. 9 In. |
| 4 | 6 Ft. 7 In. | 2 Ft. 0⅛ In. | 3 Ft. 9 In. | 13 | 23 Ft. 1 In. | 4 Ft. 6½ In. | 10 Ft. 6 In. |
| 5 | 8 Ft. 5 In. | 2 Ft. 3½ In. | 4 Ft. 6 In. | 14 | 24 Ft. 11 In. | 4 Ft. 9⅞ In. | 11 Ft. 3 In. |
| 6 | 10 Ft. 3 In. | 2 Ft. 6⅞ In. | 5 Ft. 3 In. | 15 | 26 Ft. 9 In. | 5 Ft. 1¼ In. | 12 Ft. 0 In. |
| 7 | 12 Ft. 1 In. | 2 Ft. 10¼ In. | 6 Ft. 0 In. | 16 | 28 Ft. 7 In. | 5 Ft. 4⅝ In. | 12 Ft. 9 In. |
| 8 | 13 Ft. 11 In. | 3 Ft. 1⅝ In. | 6 Ft. 9 In. | 17 | 30 Ft. 5 In. | 5 Ft. 8 In. | 13 Ft. 6 In. |
| 9 | 15 Ft. 9 In. | 3 Ft. 5 In. | 7 Ft. 6 In. | 18 | 32 Ft. 3 In. | 5 Ft. 11¾ In. | 14 Ft. 3 In. |
| 10 | 17 Ft. 7 In. | 3 Ft. 8⅜ In. | 8 Ft. 3 In. | 19 | 34 Ft. 1 In. | 6 Ft. 2¾ In. | 15 Ft. 0 In. |
| 11 | 19 Ft. 5 In. | 3 Ft. 11¾ In. | 9 Ft. 0 In. | 20 | 35 Ft. 11 In. | 6 Ft. 6⅛ In. | 15 Ft. 9 In. |

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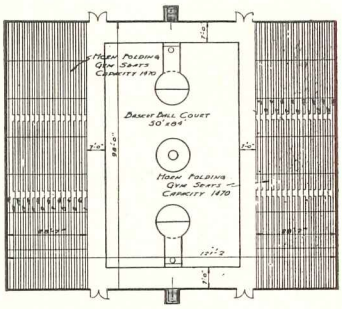


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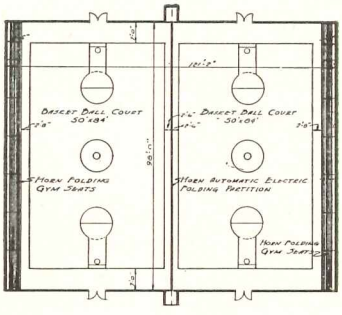


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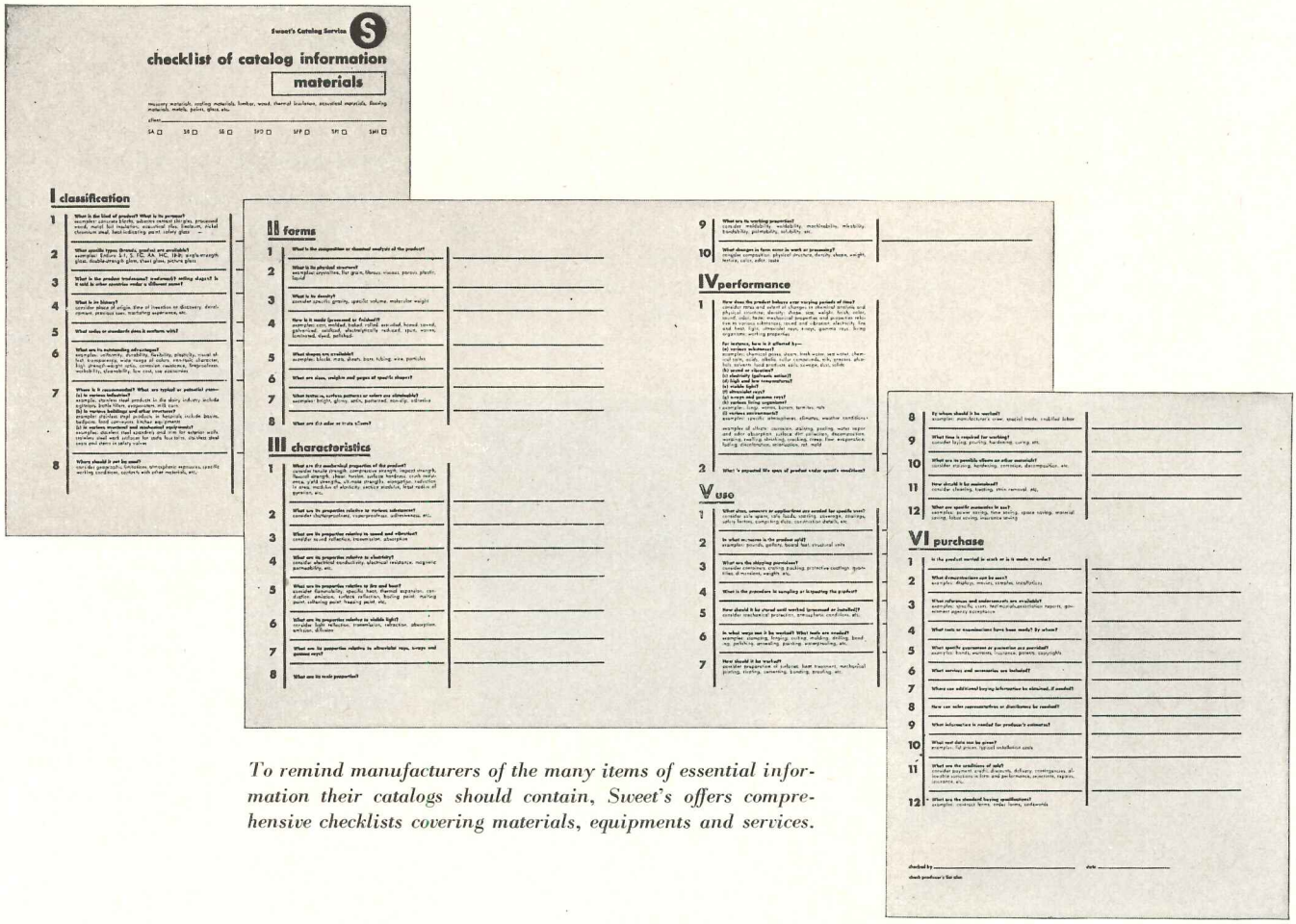


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both new and existing installations. No plumbing changes or shutting off water supply is said to be required for a simple 10 minute installation. The item is reported of sturdy construction, precision engineered, and finished in polished chromium plating on heavy gage brass. Approved Products Co., 205 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y.

### *Fluorescent Pylon Lights*

*Revere Pylon-lites* combine fluorescent lamps and glass columns for use in after-dark advertising, building entrance lights, street lights, etc. The unit is available in halves to permit mounting on flat surfaces. Opaque letters can be fired into the glass.

Construction of the lights is said to be strong and sturdy. A heavy steel channel serves as a structural support of the fixture as well as an enclosure for the ballasts and wiring. The glass enclosures are sealed in two gasketed hinged frames, which may be opened for lamp replacement. Mounting standards and shafts are available. Revere Electric Mfg. Co., 6009 Broadway, Chicago 40, Ill.

### *Metal Storage Equipment*

Re-designed storage equipment for tool and stock rooms is announced, which is said to have a correct type of storage accessory available for every item of tools, supplies and wastes. Typical units include sloping front cases, drawer cases, sloping shelf units and swinging panels. Units may be fitted with various adjustable dividers and racks. Lyon Metal Products, Inc., Aurora, Ill.

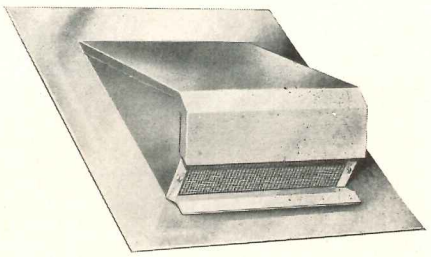
### *Lacquer Hardware Finish*

Improvement in hardware for the *Fenestra* hollow-metal entrance door is claimed, with the use of a new lacquer finish said to be impervious to all known cleaning fluids, and the salts and acids of perspiration. The finish is also claimed to be resistant to bumps, scratches and abrasion, and cannot be dissolved by any standard paint remover or lacquer thinner.

The manufacturers say the finish eliminates the chief need for hardware replacement or refinishing. Detroit Steel Products Co., 3113 Griffin St., Detroit 11, Mich.

### *Roof Ventilators*

The *Leslie* slant roof ventilators are made of 16-oz copper and are flanged, baffled and screened. They are said to be weathertight and insect-proof. Two sizes are available: the *SRC 10-3*, with an air opening of 30 sq in.; and the *SRC 20-3*, with 60 sq in. Leslie Welding Co., 2943 Carroll Ave., Chicago 12, Ill.



*Copper slant roof ventilator is prefabricated to save on-the-job time and labor*

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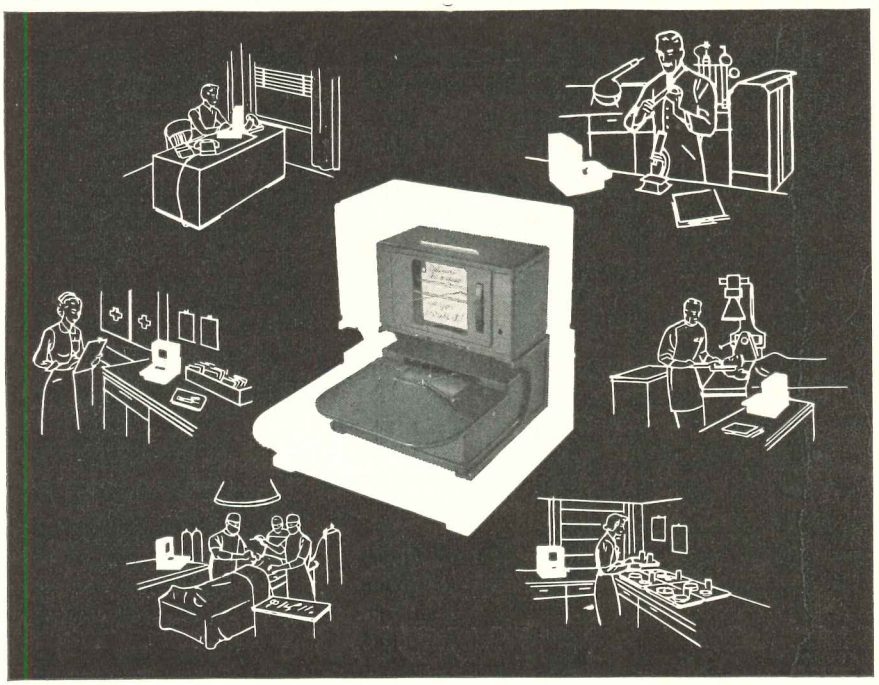

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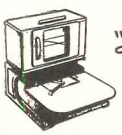

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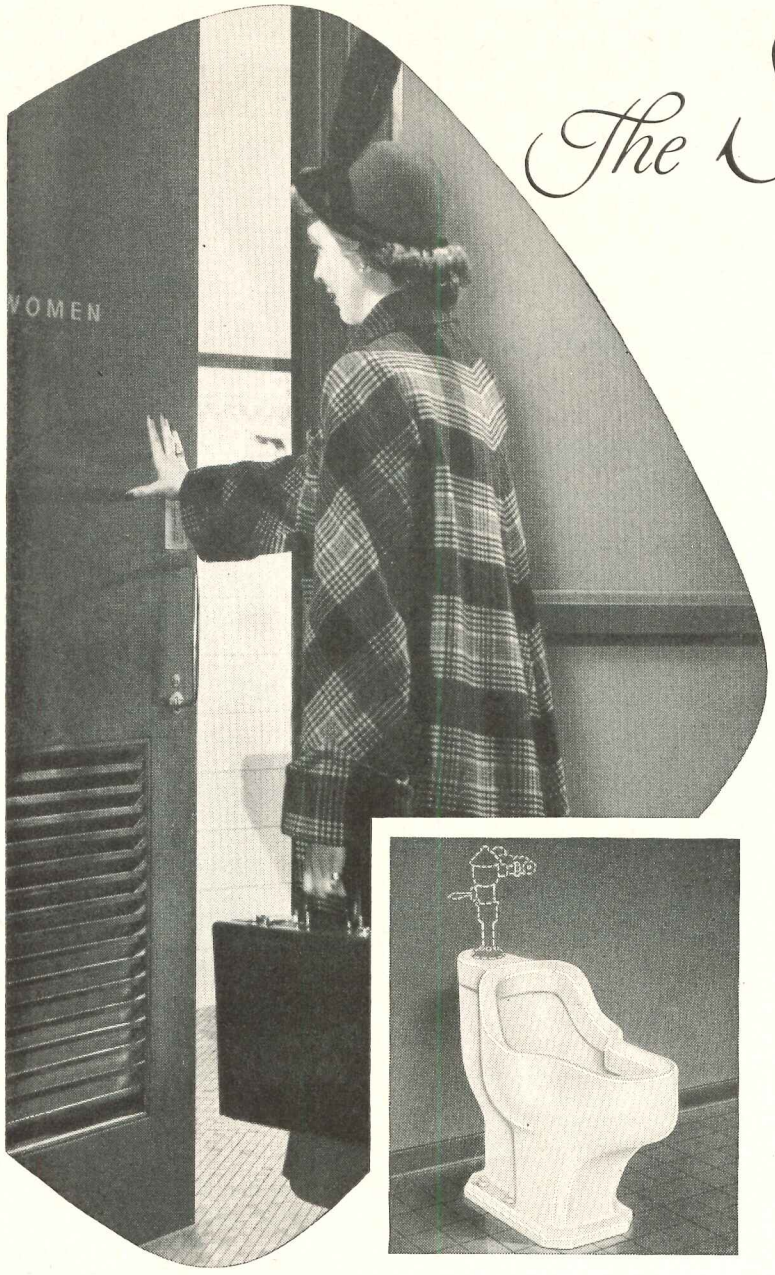


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### *Quick-Drying Paint*

*Nu-Hue Quik-Flat* reportedly dries to handle, under normal conditions, in 30 to 45 minutes, hardens overnight, and may be re-coated in five hours.

This quick-drying flat finish was developed to meet the needs of speed for finishing banquet rooms, store window backgrounds, interior displays, etc. The paint is available in white and can be colored with liquid tinting colors produced by the same manufacturer. Martin-Senour Co., 2520 S. Quarry St., Chicago, Ill.

### *Electric Dehumidifier*

The *Frigidaire* electric dehumidifier removes moisture from the air automatically by means of electrical refrigeration. The unit is designed for use in any closed area subject to constant or seasonal dampness, and may be plugged into any electrical outlet.

In operation, the unit uses a simplified refrigeration mechanism to cool a series of coils below room temperature. Air is drawn in by a fan and is cooled in passing over the coils, causing moisture to condense. Water thus collected is disposed of either by a fixed drain or a removable container. The dehumidifier is 14-in. in diameter and 33⅝ in. high. The unit controls 8000 cu ft of closed space. Frigidaire Division, General Motors Corp., 300 Taylor St., Dayton 1, Ohio.

### *Kitchen Range*

A new electric range, developed for small kitchens, is left open in kneehole desk fashion to store a kitchen stool, wastebasket, etc. The *Rancho* range is 38 in. wide, and is supported by the usual metal base under the oven on the left. The open side is supported by a U-shaped chrome tubing leg.

*"Kneehole" range gives extra storage area and less bulky appearance*

The cooking top has two 8-in. and two 6-in. surface units. The oven has automatic heat control and can be equipped with a timer. A convenience outlet for electric appliances is provided. Westinghouse Electric Corp., First National Bank Bldg., Pittsburgh 30, Pa.

### *Packaged Steel Buildings*

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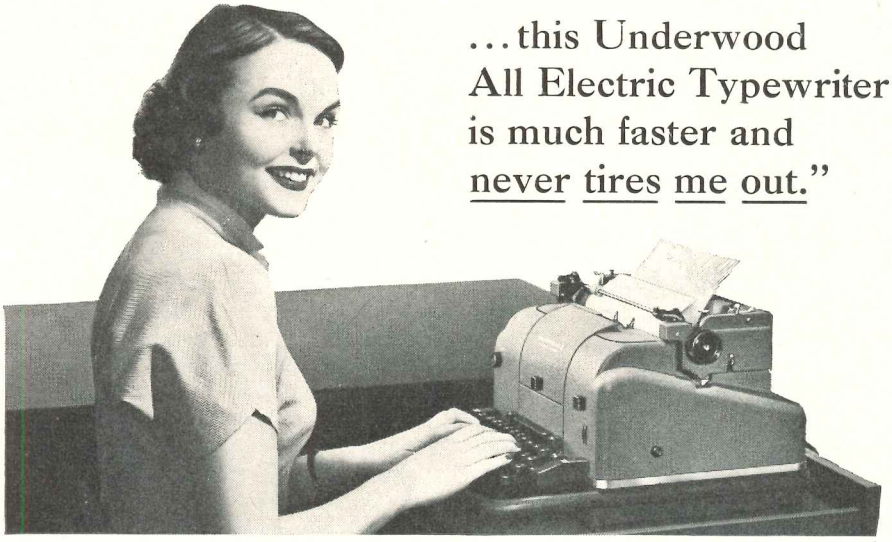

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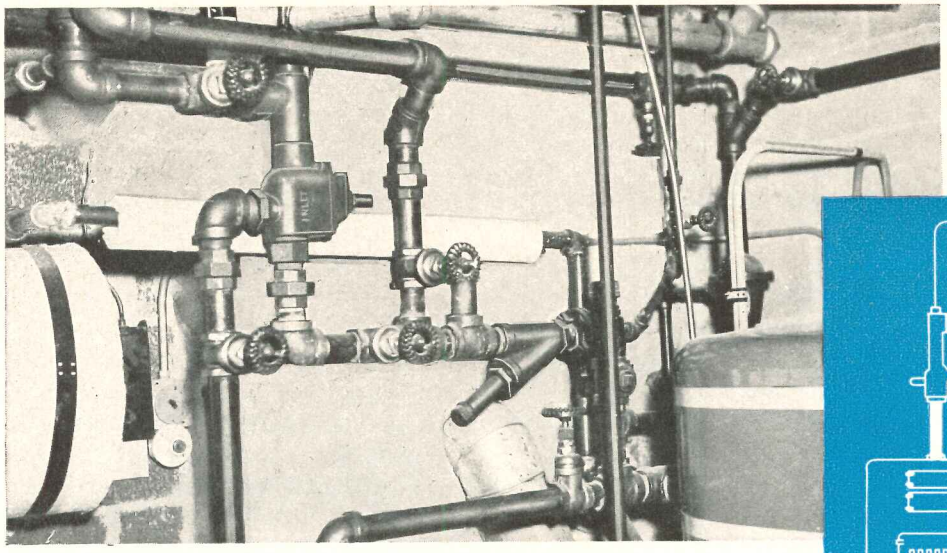

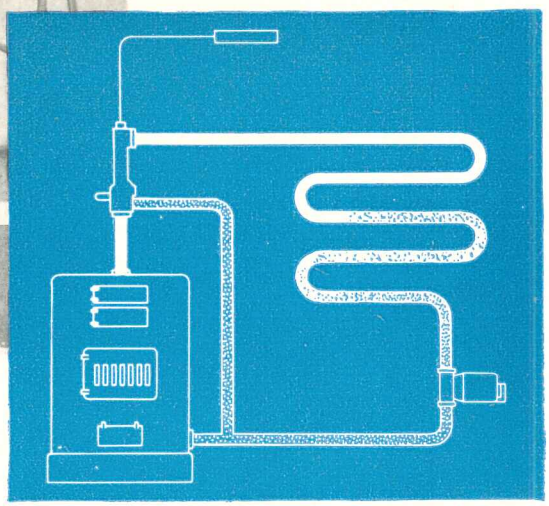

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machine sheds, etc. The buildings are available in widths up to 24 ft, in any desired length, and in steel or aluminum, galvanized or painted with heavy base gray.

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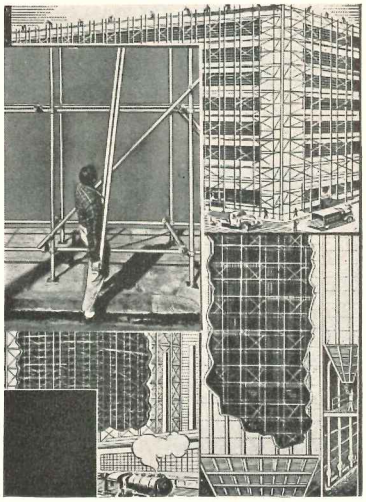
### *Lighting Selector-Switch*

The *Lightronic* control switch employs a radio type knob, with a 1-2-3-4 marking of the control steps. The unit was designed to permit the dialing of a spot of light, several accents of light, or general illumination, as desired.

A typical suggested use for a living room hooks one stop with soft lights illuminating the lower portion of the room; the second would turn on light from above; the third combines both upper and lower lights, and the last turns all lights out. Lightolier, 346 Claremont Ave., Jersey City, N. J.

### *Aluminum Scaffolds*

Lightweight aluminum alloy *Tube-and-Coupler* scaffolds, designed for heavy construction work and for industrial maintenance, are claimed to cut time and cost in half for erection, dismantling and transportation. The scaffolding is said to be less than half the weight of iron pipe equipment, to have twice the gripping friction of steel on steel, and to have ⅓ greater strength than iron pipe tubing of similar diameter.



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The equipment consists of aluminum alloy couplers and locking tubes, with swivel base plates which require no wedging. The units are said to carry a load of over 75 lb per sq ft with a safety factor of 4. Up-Right Scaffolds, 1013 Pardee St., Berkeley, Calif.

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A. O. Wilson Structural Co., Cambridge, Mass.

The steady growth of Cambridge, Mass., during the last decade necessitated the erection of this new steam-electric generating plant for the Cambridge Electric Light Co. The 10-story, 218 ft x 115 ft structure is located on the Charles River, and is known as the Kendall Square Steam-Electric Generating Station. Its boilers, of 200,000-lb-capacity each, are designed to burn either oil or coal, and its 20,000-kilowatt, turbine-driven generator produces sufficient electricity to satisfy nearly 40 per cent of the city's average daily requirements. A second generator, more than doubling the plant's capacity, is expected to go into service this year.

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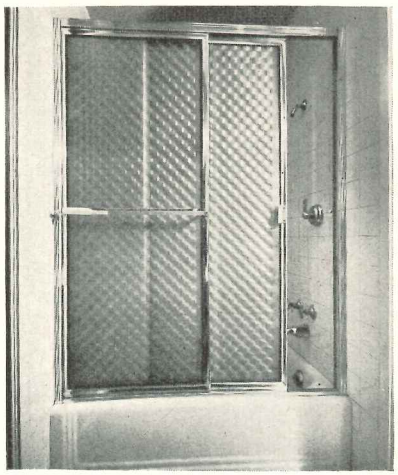
the valve are accomplished by a butterfly type disc. The valve is designed to accommodate standard venting attachments and has a well drilled in the stem for taking temperature readings. The units are available with solder-type ends in sizes ⅜ to ¾ in. or with screwed ends in sizes ¾ to 1½ in. Ohio Brass Co., Mansfield, Ohio.

### *Clear Anti-Rust Paint*

*Rustrem Clear* anti-rust paint reportedly can be brushed or sprayed directly over rust without wire brushing or scraping. As it will not bleed through painted surfaces and can be painted over with any good quality paint except lacquer, it is said to provide a good rust-proofing primer and undercoater. By applying the paint as a first coat, users can employ any desired finish color and at the same time secure rust protection. Rustrem Clear is available in quart, gallon and 5-gallon cans and in 55-gallon drums. Speco, Inc., 7308 Associate Ave., Cleveland 9, Ohio.

### *Shatterproof Shower Enclosures*

*Ripple-Lite* tub and shower enclosures and shower doors employ translucent Fiberglas laminate panels set in polished extruded aluminum frames. The units are said to be shatterproof and long lasting. They are available in a waffle indentation pattern, and a wide range of sizes and colors, including rose, green, yellow, maize, aquamarine, opalescent blue and white.



*Textured plastic sheets form light, durable shower enclosures in range of colors*

The panels are reported to withstand heat and mild chemicals, and to be lower in cost than glass of comparable quality and appearance. Frames are adjustable to compensate for wall variations. O'Morrow Corp., 4509 Firestone Blvd., South Gate, Calif.

### *Prize Winning Chair*

One of the prize winners in the low-cost furniture competition staged by the Museum of Modern Art, a new chair designed by Charles Eames consists of a molded plastic shell, mounted on one of three optional bases. The bases include: four chromium-plated legs with rubber glide tips; a metal shaft with a three-pronged base for auditorium and commercial use; and a version with blond wood rockers joined to metal legs.

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Architects: KIVETT and MYERS, of Kansas City, Mo.

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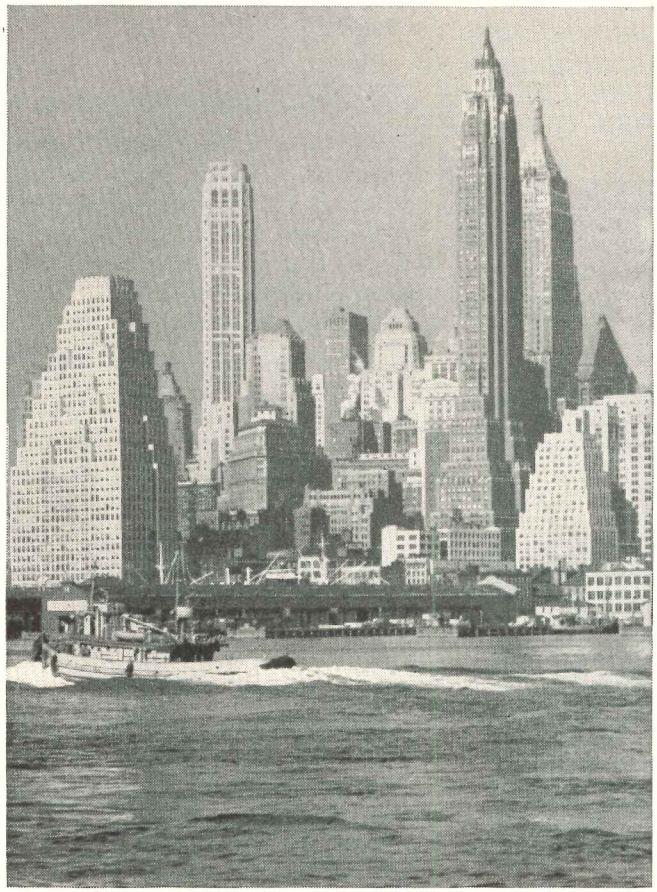

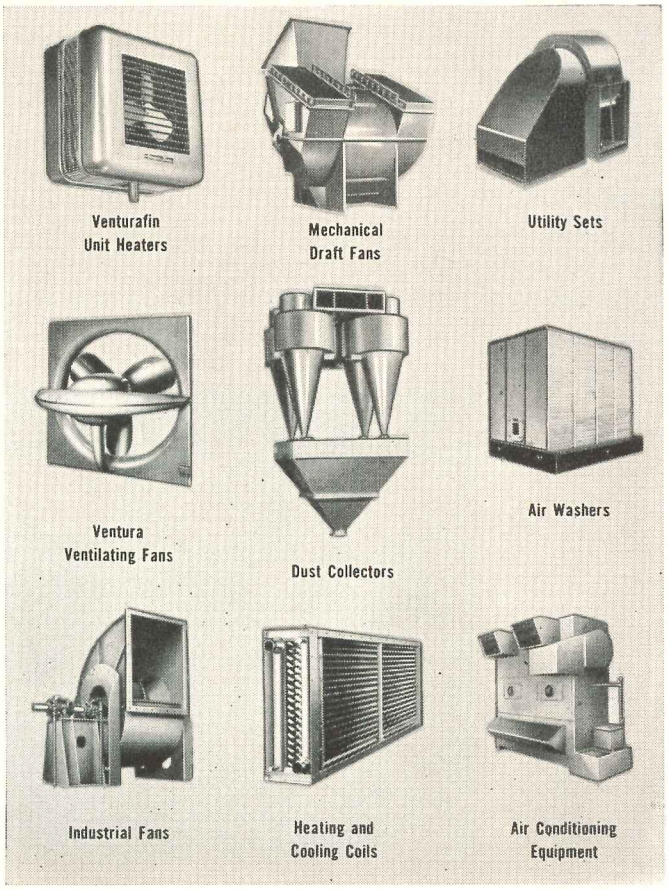


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It is available in four colors. The Herman Miller Furniture Co., 1 Park Ave., New York, N. Y.

### *Lighting Fixture*

The *New Yorker* fluorescent fixture is a rectangular troffer-like unit with aluminum louvers and individual mounting on twin- or single-stem hangers. It is designed for the lighting of stores and commercial interiors. Connectors join luminaires end-to-end to form continuous rows. An inside cover plate encloses wiring channel and all operating equipment. Direct-indirect distribution of light is shielded 35 degrees crosswise and lengthwise.

The units are available in a 96-in. size, using four 96-in. Slimline lamps, or eight 48-in. General line lamps, and in a 48-in. size, using four 48-in. lamps. Wiring channels are of steel, finished in baked aluminum. Louvers and channel cover are of aluminum with a permanent etched finish. The Miller Co., Meriden, Conn.

### *Umbrella-Type Clothes Dryer*

The *Clay E-Z-Kary* revolving clothes dryer uses a pulley system to raise automatically the drier arms and lines to the height and tension desired. The unit is set up in galvanized steel sockets mounted indoors or outdoors. Light weight and umbrella action allow the drier to be easily transported from one spot to another. The center post is of rust-proof galvanized steel, and the four pine drier arms hold 120 ft of braided cotton clothes line. Rounded "snag-proof" fasteners are used to cover the threaded ends of all bolts. Clothes Drier Div., Clay Equipment Corp., Cedar Falls, Iowa.

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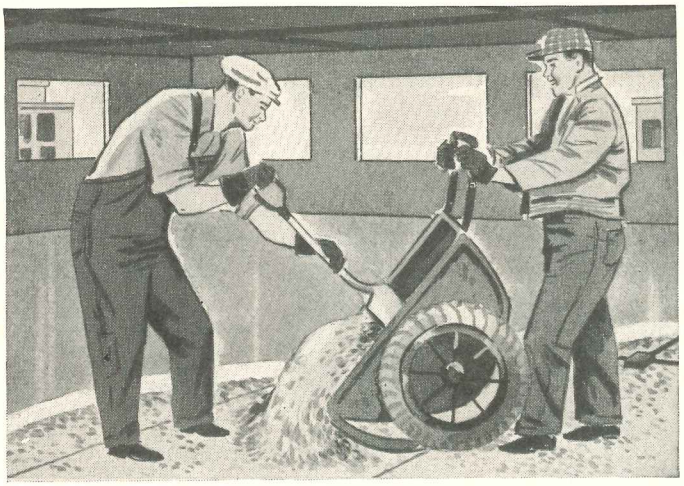

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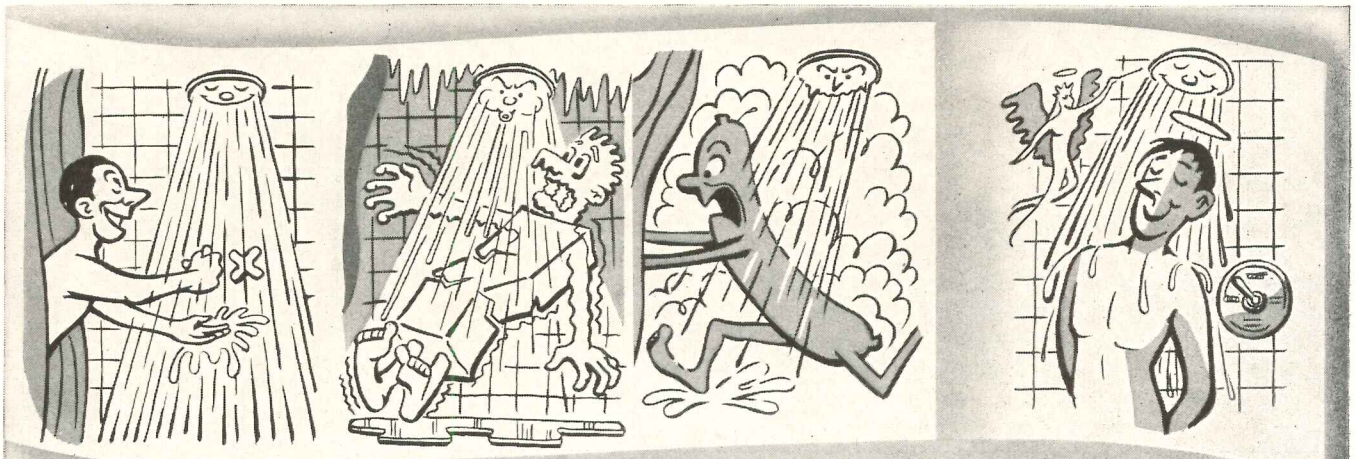

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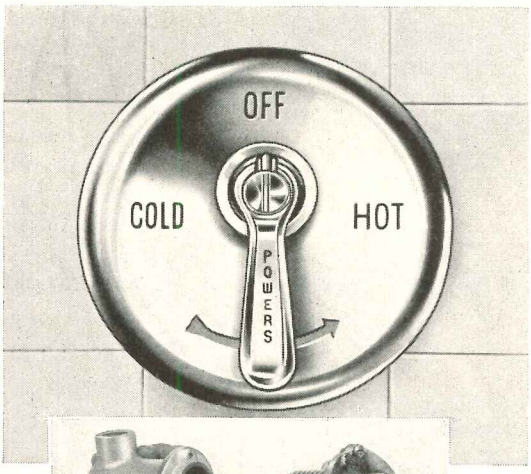


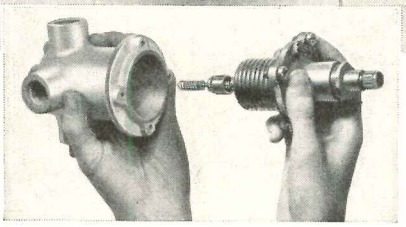

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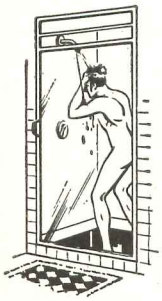

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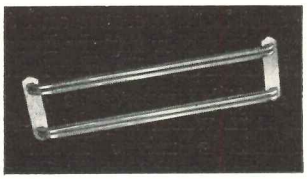

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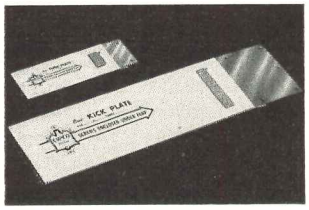

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The new *Clark Steel Reinforcing Door Sections* employ clear plastic muntins between the glass lights to give the appearance of a section with a single light of glass. The sections are tailor made units, designed for use in service stations and other buildings where large glass areas are desirable.

Steel reinforcing is said to provide sufficient rigidity for the sections to withstand the weight of a 212-lb man. Doors to a width of 20 ft can be manufactured, with operating mechanisms using sealed-in grease type ball bearings and special wound springs. Clark Door Co., 515 Hunterdon St., Newark, N. J.

### *Mechanical Bending Device*

The *Tal Handy Bendy* reportedly makes instantaneously a variety of uniform bends, including offsets, in ½ and ¾ in. rigid, EMT thin wall or aluminum conduit. The device has a measuring gage and bend degree indicator to control precision bends made by inexperienced workmen on the job.

The device is recommended for use in either open or slab work, and is said to operate easily without special knowledge. The unit is strong and rigidly constructed from light weight metal. Total weight is 30 lb. Tal Bender, Inc., Milwaukee 2, Wis.

### *Fibre Rugs*

A new series of inexpensive indoor-outdoor fibre rugs is available in twenty color combinations. The rugs are permanized to keep the colorings bright in and out of the sun. Patterns include tweedy textures; block plaids in one-, two- or several colors; and plaids accented with a stripe of white and a line of black. All are made in sizes ranging from 27 by 54 in., to 9 by 18 ft. Waite Carpet Co., 295 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

### *Gas Conversion Burner*

The *International Model 5R* gas conversion burner reportedly eliminates the use of baffle plates and supplies air at both sides of the flame for more complete combustion. The gas ports are designed to direct heat toward the walls of the furnace by means of the combustion air, which can be regulated by means of shutters on the burner cabinet. This is said to make it unnecessary to plaster the burner, which comes in three Btu sizes, with a visible automatic

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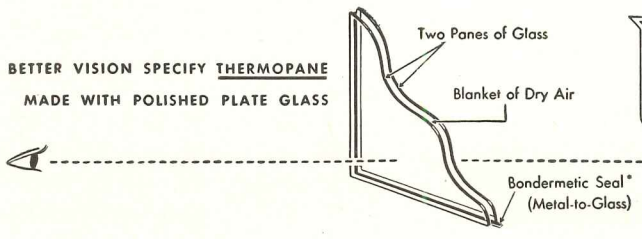


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safety pilot of stainless steel, and silver electrical contacts and recycling feature. An automatic gas control valve has a stainless steel core and the gas pressure regulator is of the adjustable type. An air door is provided which allows the secondary air adjustment to remain stationary when the cover is removed. Controls and pressure regulator are inclosed in a metal cabinet. Gas Div., International Oil Burner Co., 3800 Park Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

### *Steel Overhead Door*

The *Morrison Roly-Door* is a new four-sectional all-steel overhead residential garage door, said to require only 5½ in. headroom for an opening 8 ft wide by 7 ft high, or 12 in. headroom for an opening 6 ft 6 in. high. The low headroom bracket is welded to the track assembly at the factory. To hang the door, tracks are installed, the sections are dropped in place with rollers inserted, then snapped to adjoining sections by pivot points and connect springs.

The doors have four horizontally-ribbed sections, with a baked-on gray enamel finish. It comes packaged in a compact carton, and includes stops, rubber astragal, hangers, bracket and tracks. Roly-Door Div., Morrison Steel Products, Inc., 601 Amherst St., Buffalo 7, N. Y.

### *Float Valve*

The *Scoville M-VB No. 16* float valve is claimed to be extremely quiet in operation, and to provide a very fast refill. The valve is said to be adjustable for pressures ranging from 25 to 150 lb. The design embodies a lone cone-shaped bronze valve seat and a regulator. The plunger is equipped with a composition seat washer and a leather split-ring washer. The seat washer retaining cap is of cadmium plated brass and the supply tube is made of heavy gage seamless copper tubing. For ease of servicing, removal of a single thumbscrew from the cross-lever is said to permit removal of the entire regulator-plunger assembly from the valve body. Waterville Div., Scoville Mfg. Co., Waterville 14, Conn.

### *Portable Printer*

The *Fairchild Copy-Roll* is said to make low cost, photo-exact duplicates of any subject that is written, typed, printed, drawn or photographed. The electric unit is reported to be simple to operate, and requires no technical knowledge or skill. Various sizes are available from 8½ by 11 in. to a table model 30 by 42 in., in a price range from $19.50 to $500.00. The small model weighs 2¼ lb and is claimed to fit into the average size brief case or desk drawer. General Photo Products Co., 12 Summit Ave., Chatham, N. J.

### *Heater For Basementless Houses*

The *Mueller Climatrol Type 155* gas-fired horizontal winter air conditioner is designed for attic or crawl space installation in small home construction, or for multiple installation in large ranch style homes. The heater can be installed with perimeter, zone control or conventional forced air systems. It is claimed to be approved for natural, mixed, manufactured, LP or Butane air gases, and for high altitude installation without derating.

The unit has a welded steel, updraft, tubular heat exchanger; cast iron, raised

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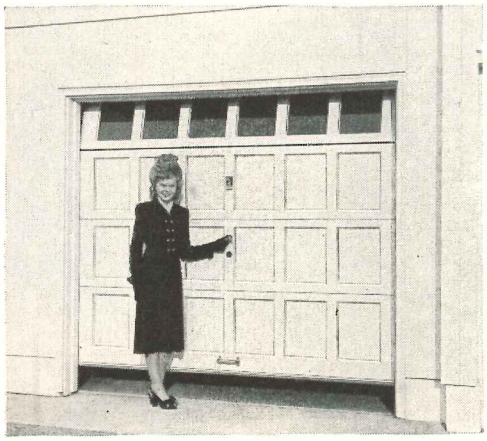

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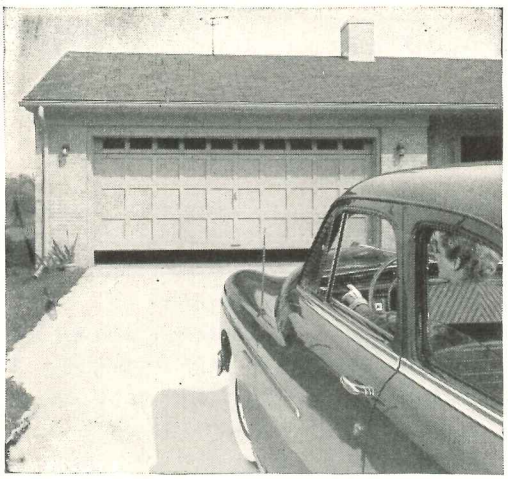

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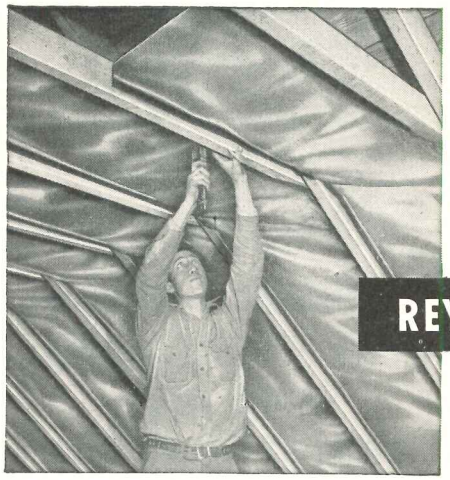

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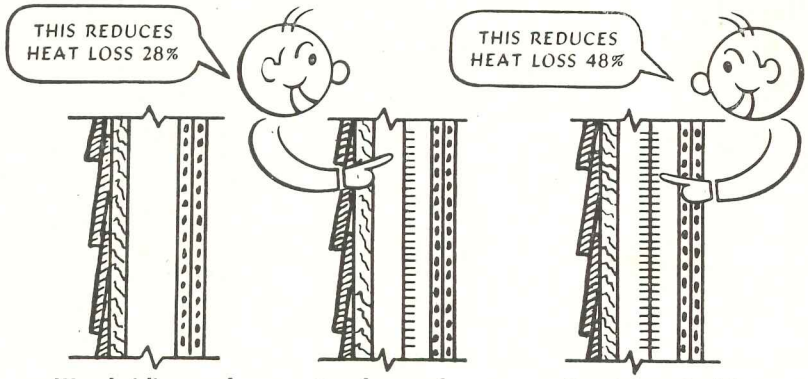


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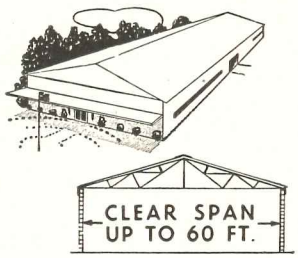


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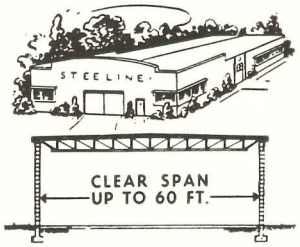


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drill port burner; large single-port air shutter; and multi-blade centrifugal blowers at the rear. Cold air may be brought in from either side, back or bottom, and the unit may be cleaned from either top or bottom. It is available in 60,000 and 90,000 Btu capacities, with heavy bottom support channels for setting, and hanging brackets for suspended installation. L. J. Mueller Furnace Co., 2005 W. Oklahoma Ave., Milwaukee 15, Wis.

### *Upholstery Material*

A new furniture covering material, *Boltaflex*, is said to blend the decorative qualities of regular woven and printed fabric with the durability of all-plastic upholstery made from Vinylite resins. Patterns include plaids, metallic stripes, floral patterns and several chintz styles. The plastic material is claimed to be stain and scuff resistant, and to wipe clean with a damp cloth. It is available by the yard or as a furniture covering. The Bolta Co., Lawrence, Mass.

### *Room Air Conditioners*

Increased cooling capacities, quieter operation and more compact cabinets are claimed as features of the *Remington* 1950 line of room air conditioners. Four console models are available, with Btu per hour outputs from 11,600 to 14,200. These are supplied with mahogany cabinets finished in Cordovan or honey-blonde Avodire, 36¾ in. wide, 38 in. high and 20½ in. deep.

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All units in the line are offered with hermetic refrigeration systems for the more prevalent electrical characteristics. Open compressors have been retained in the console models for 115 or 230 volts D.C. and for 50-cycle applications for export. Remington Air Conditioning Div., Remington Corp., Cortland, N. Y.

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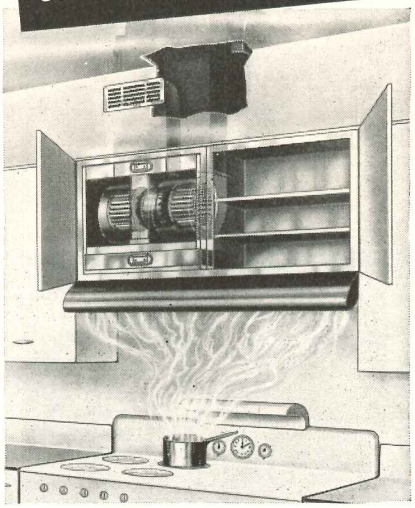

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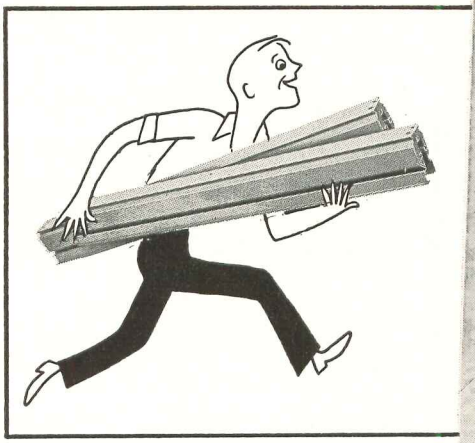

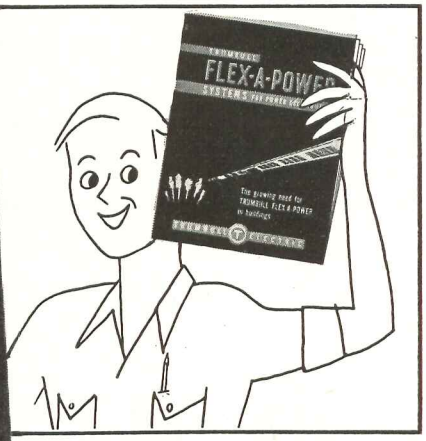


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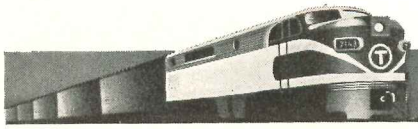

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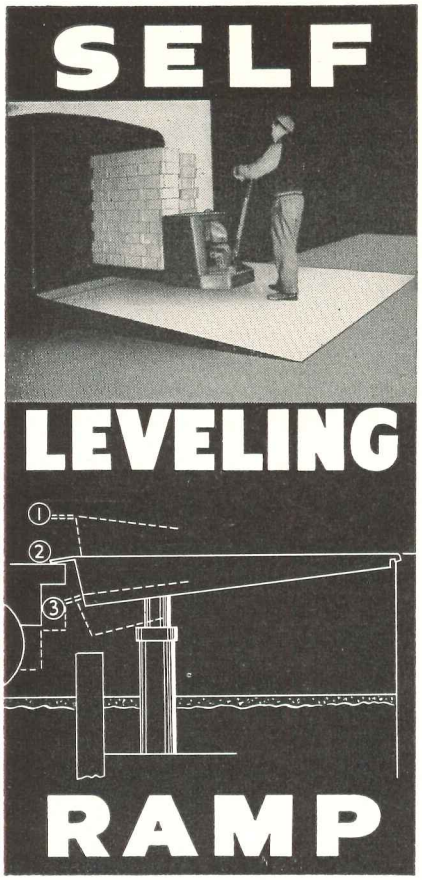


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subject, seeks to find solutions to these venting problems. Three sketches of floor furnace installations are included with the author's comments on each. 10 pp., illus. Stewart-Warner Corp., Domestic Heating Div., 1516 Drover St., Indianapolis, Ind.

### *Contract Bonds*

*Construction — The Bonded Contract is the Owner's Protection.* Booklet discusses the nature and functions of the construction contract bond, and the benefits accruing from the bonded contract to the owner, architect, engineer, contractor, subcontractor and supplier. The appendix includes sample forms of various types of construction contract bonds. 23 pp., illus. The Surety Assn. of America, 60 John St., New York 7, N. Y.

### *Combination Sash Balances*

*Hettinger's Triple Seal Combination Sash Balances and Spring Bronze Metal Weatherstripping for Windows.* Pamphlet illustrates double hung window application of the coil spring sash balances and weatherstrip components. Installation steps and features are covered. Some items of door weatherstripping equipment are also noted. 4 pp., illus. The Weatherproof Products Corp., 329 Westport Rd., Kansas City 2, Mo.

### *Plastic Covered Tubing*

*Dekoron Tubing, Plastic Armored Metal.* Folder describes and illustrates properties and uses of the tubing, with notes on the fabrication, fittings, manufacturing arrangements, and available forms and colors. Photographs show the tubing employed in appliances, furniture, clothes rods and sporting goods. 4 pp., illus. Samuel Moore & Co., Dekoron Tubing Div., Mantua, Ohio.

### *Concrete Blocks*

*Celocrete Lightweight Masonry Units, Concrete Masonry Units, for Home, Commercial, and Farm Construction.* Pamphlet points out features of the

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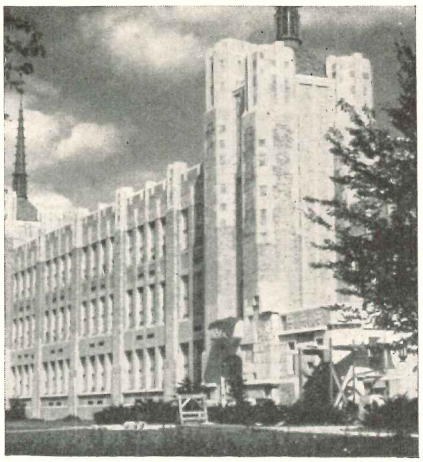

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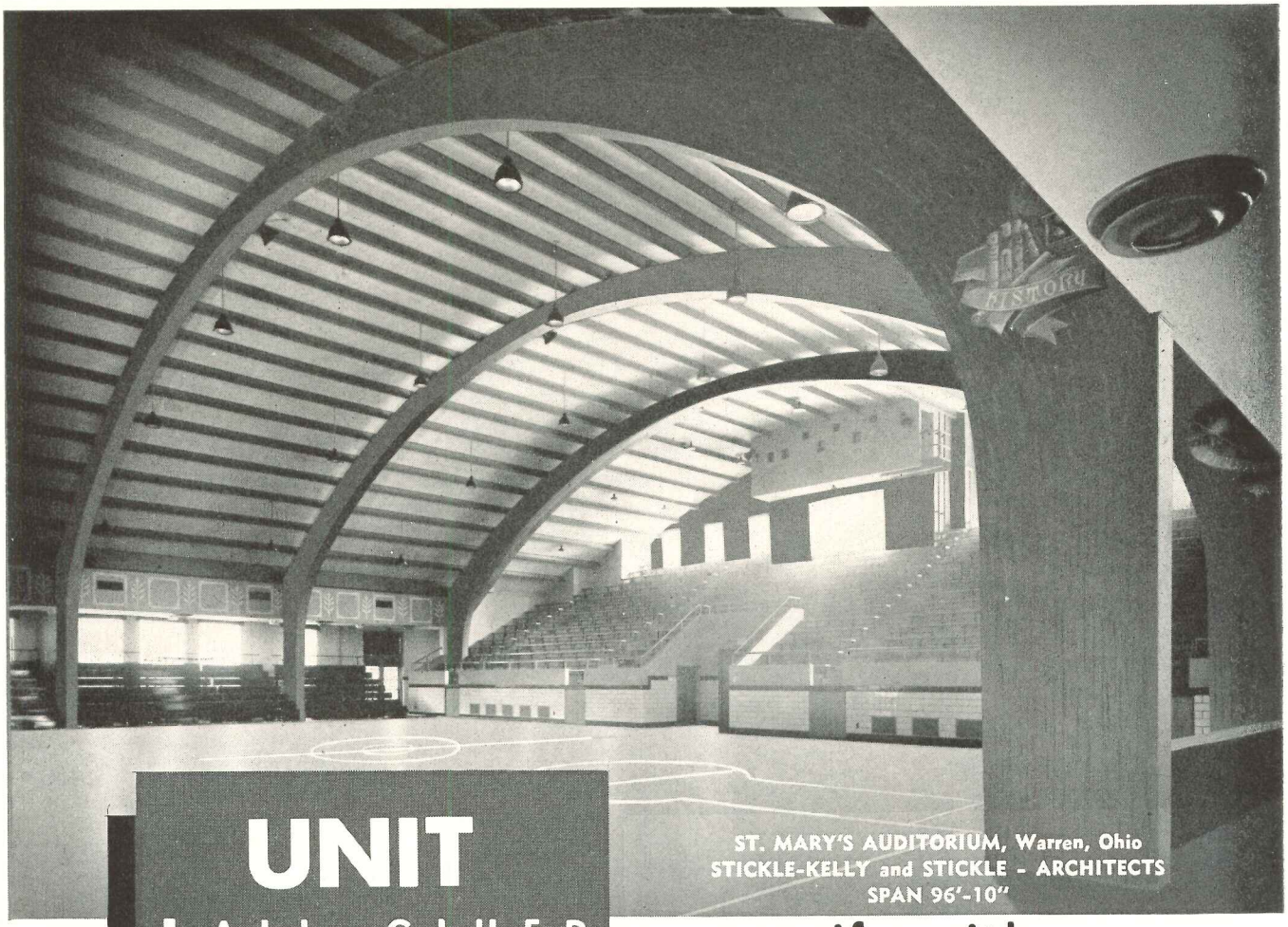

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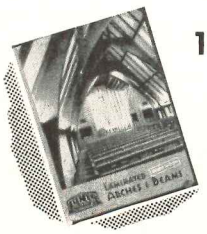

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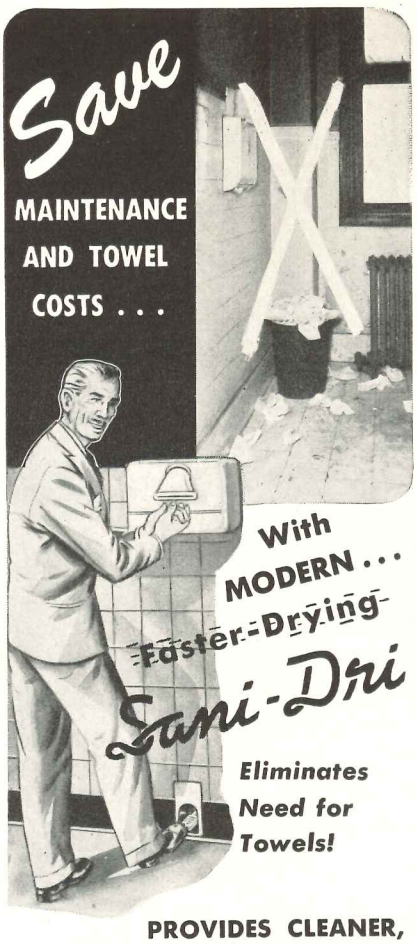


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### *Electric Plants*

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### *Safety Switches*

*Trumbull Electric Type A Safety Switch Style HCI (High Capacity Interrupter) (Folder TEC-10).* Describes features of the switches designed for use in industrial distribution systems. An expanded isometric drawing shows the component parts of the unit, and several schematic drawings illustrate the operating action. A table lists ratings and descriptive data on the models available. 6 pp., illus. Trumbull Electric Manufacturing Co., Plainville, Conn.*

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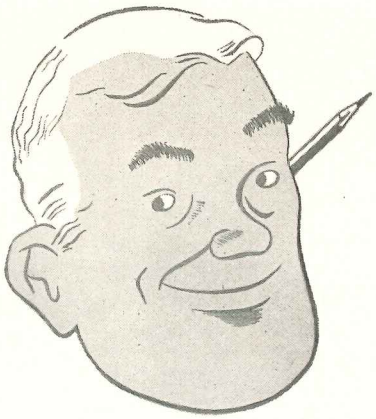

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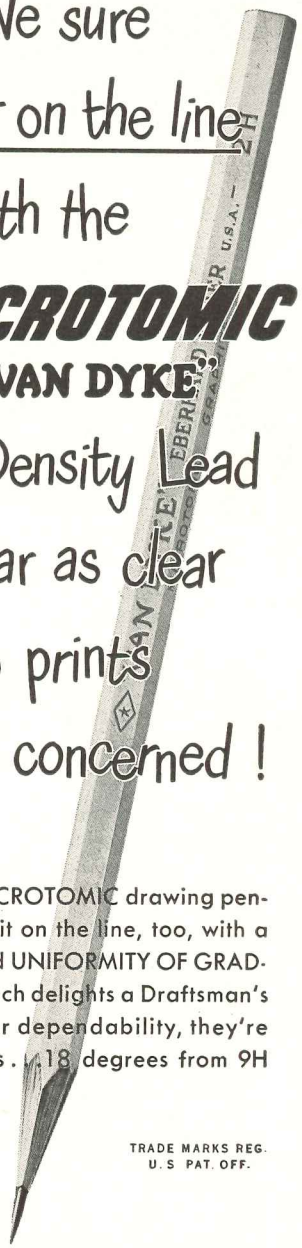


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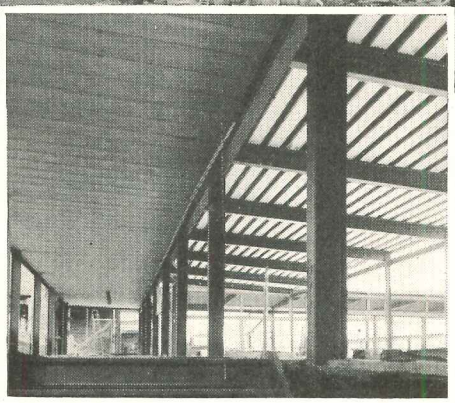

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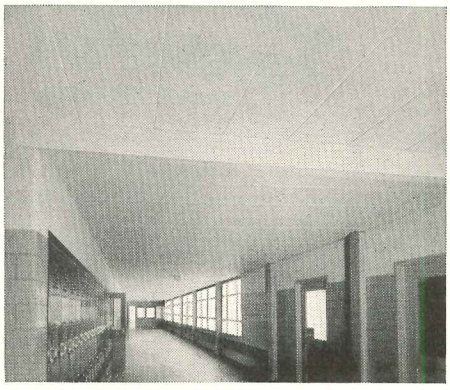

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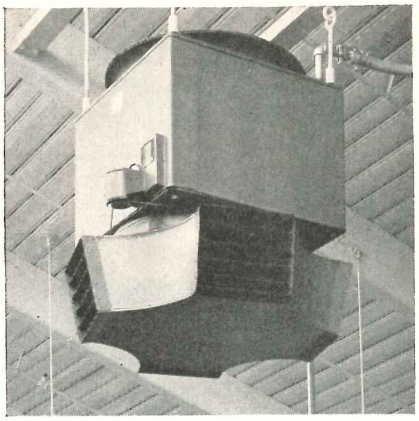

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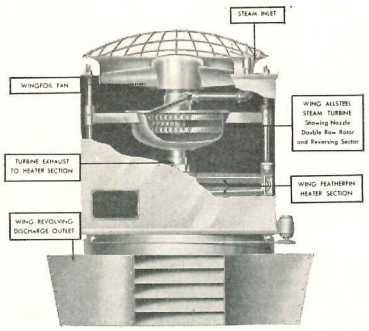


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### *Office Furniture*

*Office Planning For Profit.* Contains data on color, lighting and layout in office planning, along with descriptions of types, features and construction available in wood office furniture. Notes are included on personnel management and presumed savings from careful planning of space. 30 pp., illus. Wood Office Furniture Inst., 730 Eleventh St., N.W., Washington 1, D. C.

### *Iron Surfaced Concrete Floor*

*The Masterplate Iron-Clad Concrete Floor.* Describes and pictures features of the flooring. Color samples of Masterplate aggregates available are included, with detailed instructions for laying new floors and resurfacing old floors. Many typical installations are illustrated. 36 pp., illus. The Master Builders Co., 7016 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio.*

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*Apartment Telephone Systems and U. S. Approved Mail Boxes (Bulletin No. 160).* A variety of mail boxes and communication systems for apartment houses are described and illustrated. Schedules, wiring diagrams and specifications are covered, with instructions on selection and ordering of equipment. Such accessories as power rectifiers, bells and chimes are listed. 28 pp., illus. Auth Electric Co., 34–20 45th St., Long Island City 1, N. Y.

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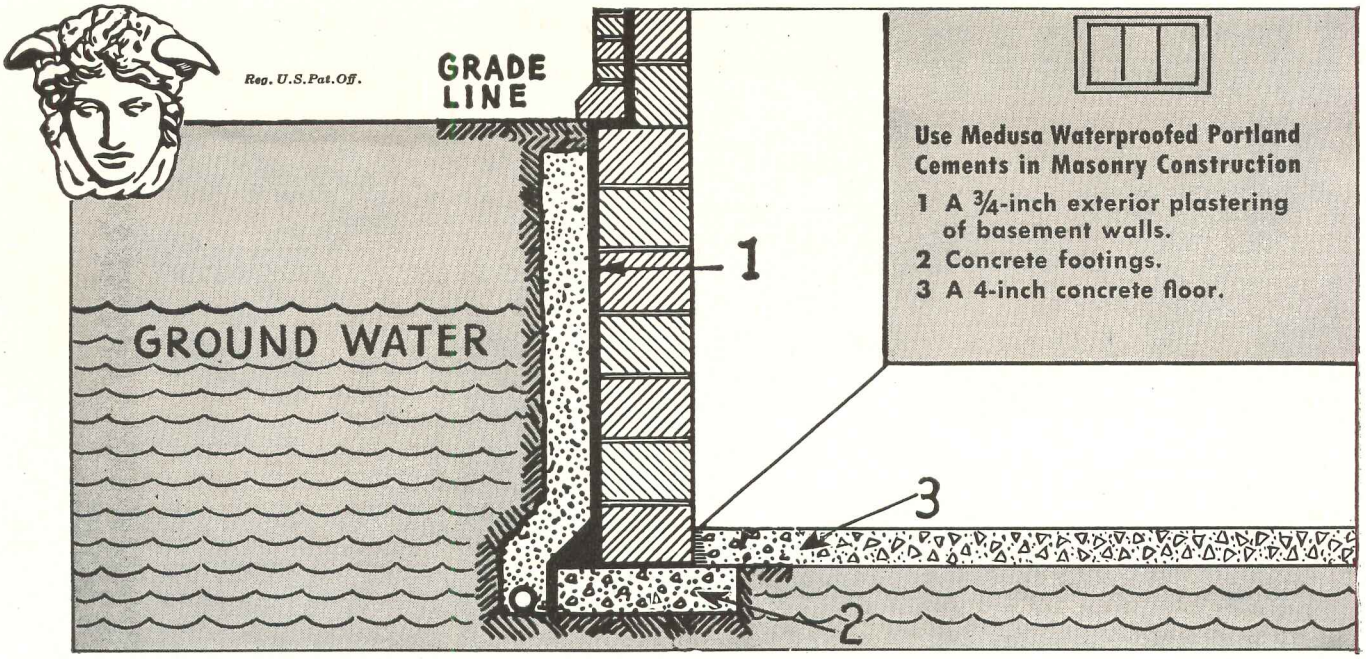


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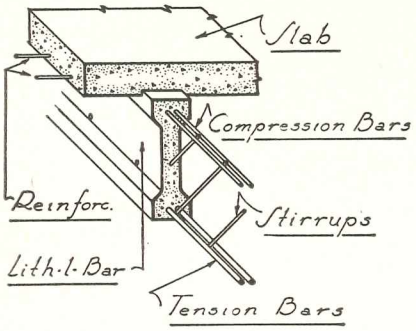


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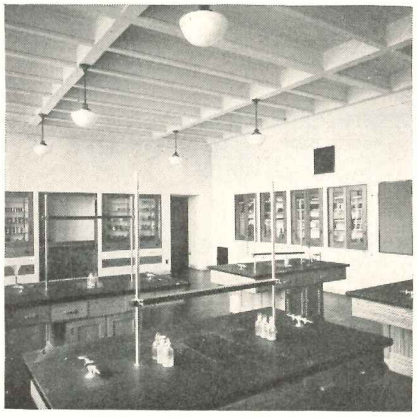

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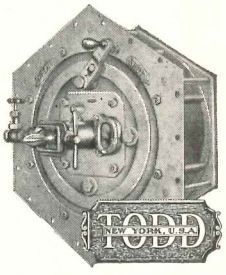


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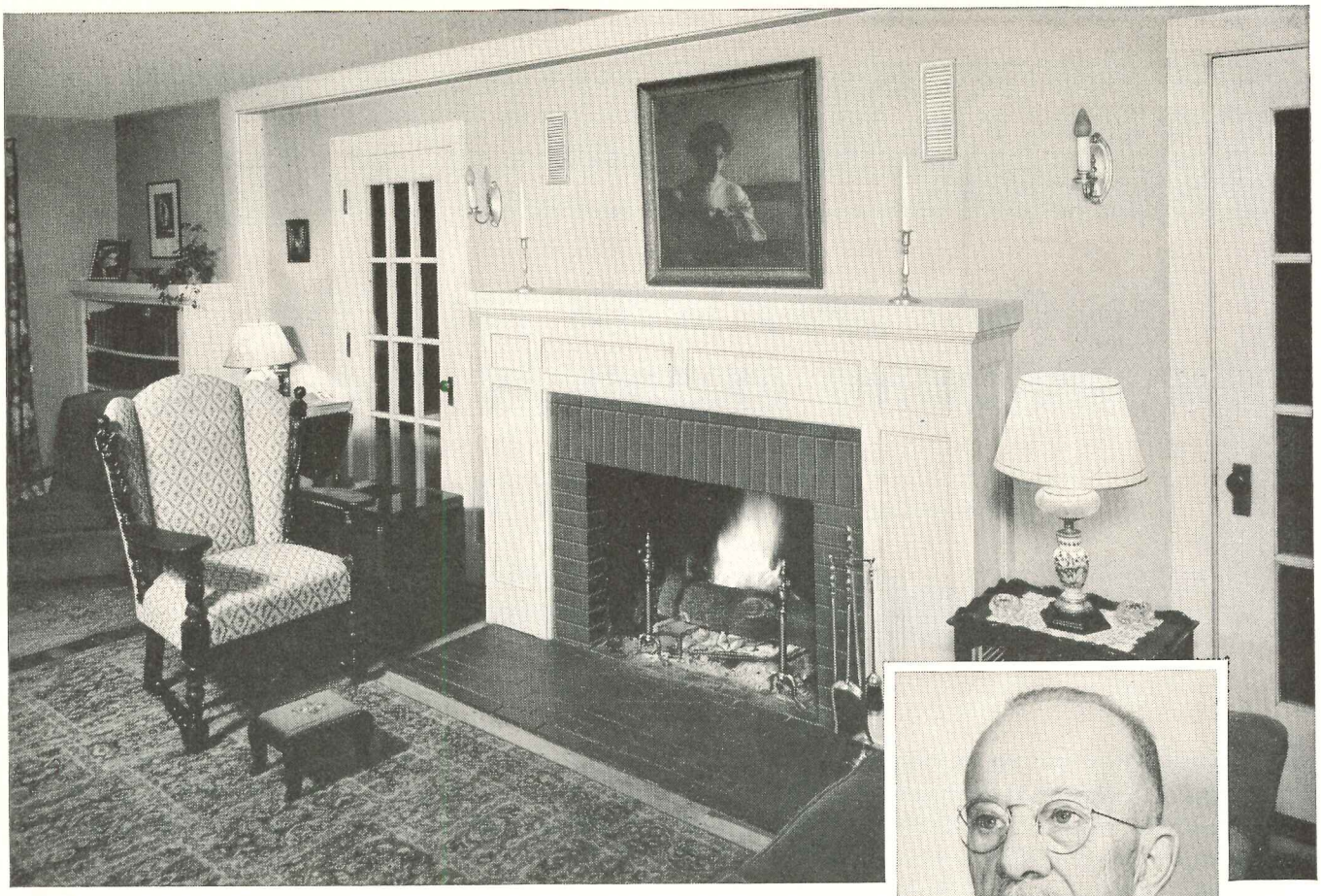

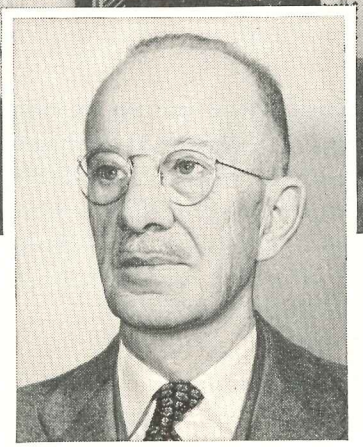

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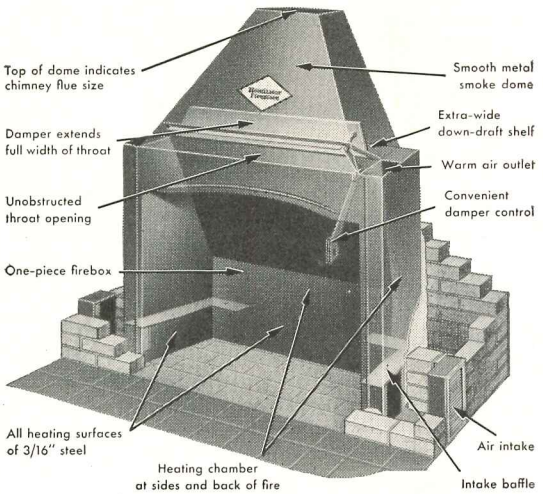


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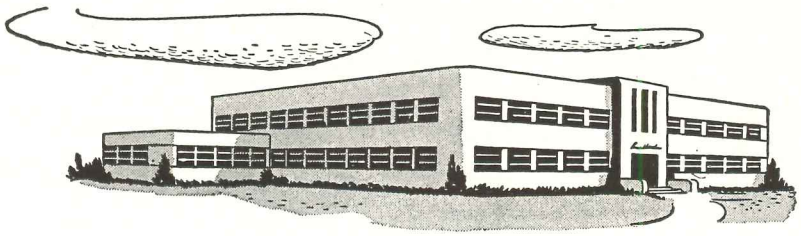

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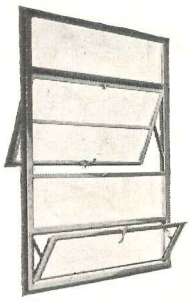

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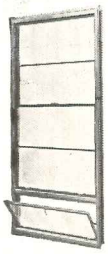

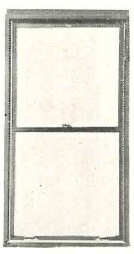

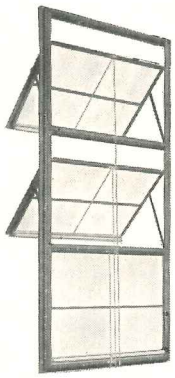

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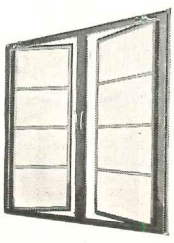
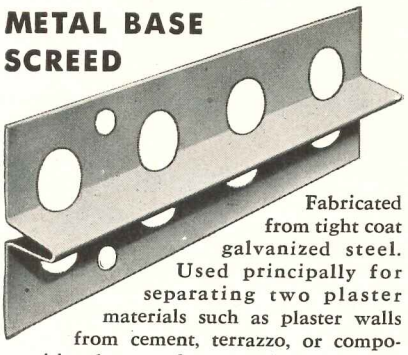
### INTERMEDIATE CASEMENT WINDOWS



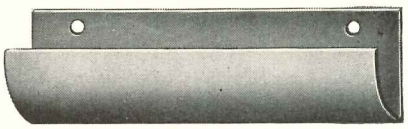
Constructed of specially designed one-piece sections throughout. Accurate weathering is assured through the final cold-rolling of sections to produce positive contacts between weathering surfaces. Hardware is solid bronze furnished in medium statuary finish.

## METAL BASE SCREED



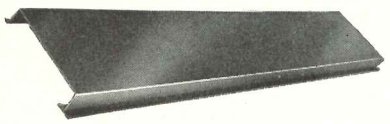
Fabricated from tight coat galvanized steel. Used principally for separating two plaster materials such as plaster walls from cement, terrazzo, or composition base, and separating a cement wainscot from ordinary plaster. Another function is to give a permanent straight edge to which both trades work.

## METAL CASINGS



Meet a definite demand for an artistic, sanitary method of trimming around doors and windows. Afford many architectural effects. Metal casings are fire-resistant, vermin proof, easy to maintain and do not shrink or warp.

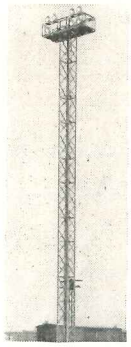
## FERROBORD STEELDECK ROOFS



Truscon Ferrobord provides a fire-resistant, economical roof deck for all new construction or replacements. Covered with insulation and waterproofing, it weighs approximately 5 pounds per square foot.

## FLOODLIGHT TOWERS

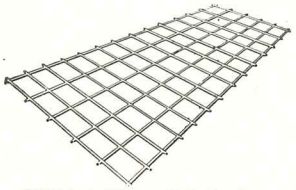
Made in a wide selection of heights, they offer a firm, long-lasting floodlight tower for lighting in stadiums, parking areas, etc.



## CURB BARS

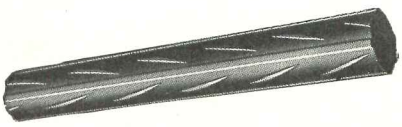
Protect exposed corners of concrete curbs, walls, steps, etc. Designed to give positive anchorage into the concrete. Plate surrounds and protects the corner without splitting concrete into two portions.

## WELDED WIRE FABRIC



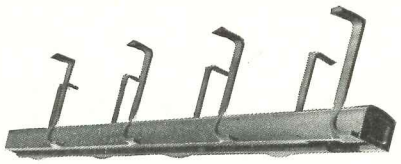
Truscon Welded Wire Fabric is made in various sizes for concrete reinforcing in all types of structures. Each joint is electrically welded for permanence.

## CONCRETE REINFORCING BARS



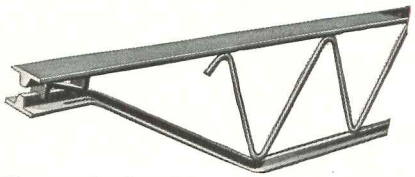
A special rolled section of high grade steel, with a series of longitudinal and diagonal ribs, so designed to provide the maximum bond with the enclosing concrete.

## PRESSED STEEL INSERTS



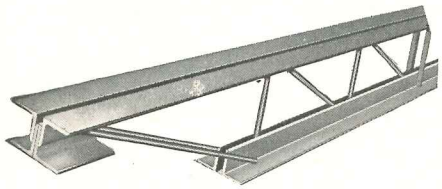
Truscon Slotted Inserts are attached to the forms and are completely imbedded in the concrete. Bolt can be moved along slot to any location, allowing wide variation in position. Used in ceilings, slabs, beams or columns.

## OPEN TRUSS STEEL JOISTS



Truscon developed the open truss steel joist to meet the demand for economical, light weight, fire-resistant floors in schools, and other light-occupancy buildings. They are easy to install. Completely shop fabricated, they reach the job ready for placing.

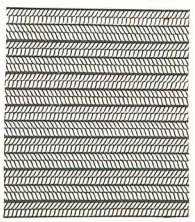
## CLERESPAN JOISTS



Truscon "Clerespan" Joists meet all clear span requirements up to 80 feet. They eliminate undesirable columns and provide greater unobstructed floor areas, in gymnasiums and auditoriums.

## METAL LATH

There is a Truscon Metal Lath for every plastering requirement. Flat laths for ceilings and sidewalls; rib laths to reinforce concrete floors or plaster ceilings; expanded laths for stucco reinforcement; Corner Beads and Cornerite, to protect outside and inside corners.



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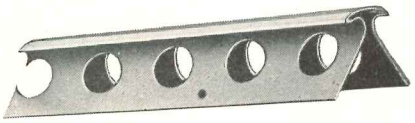

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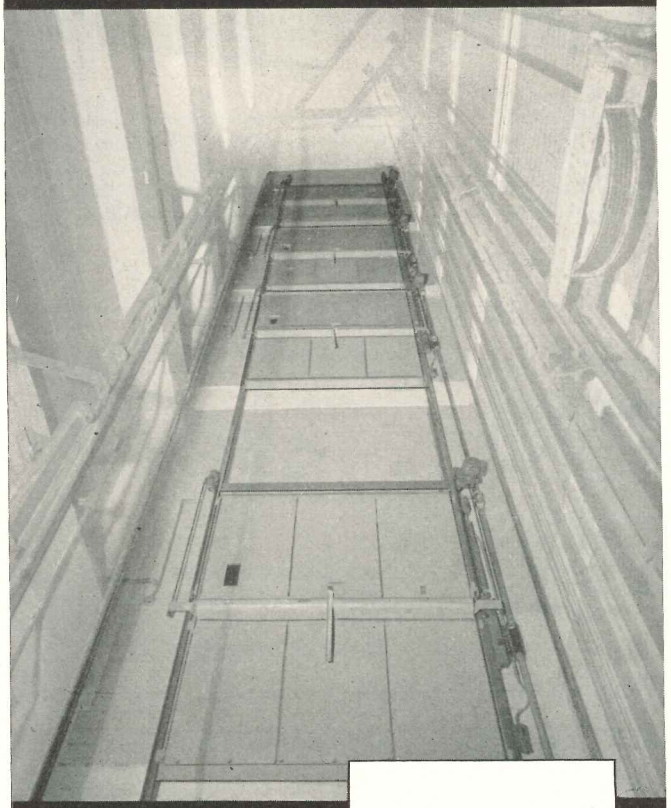

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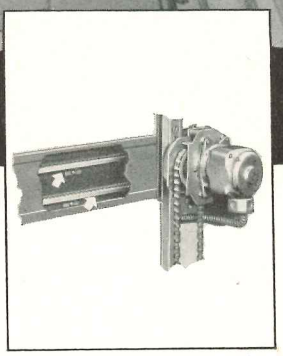

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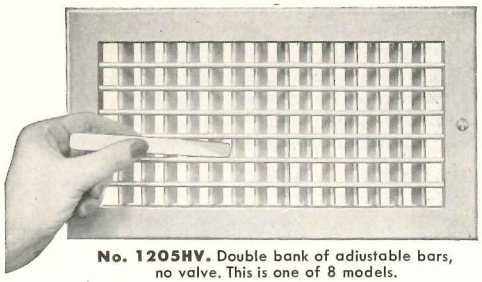

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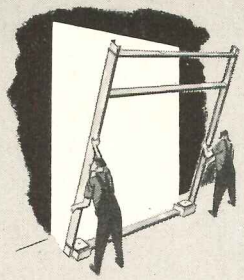

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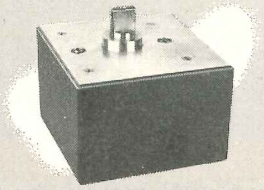

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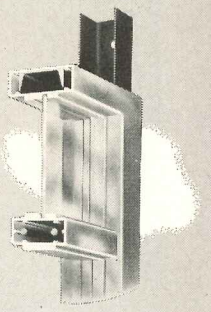

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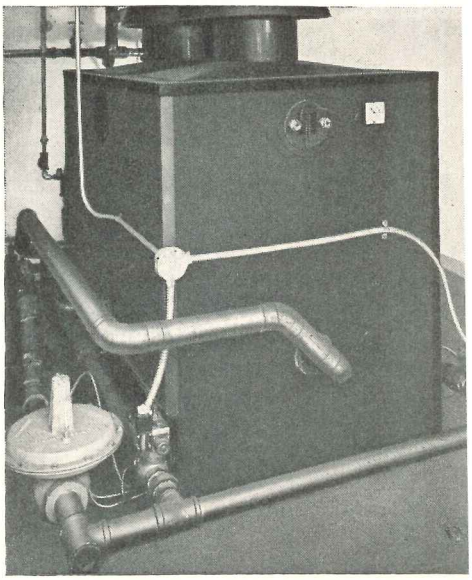

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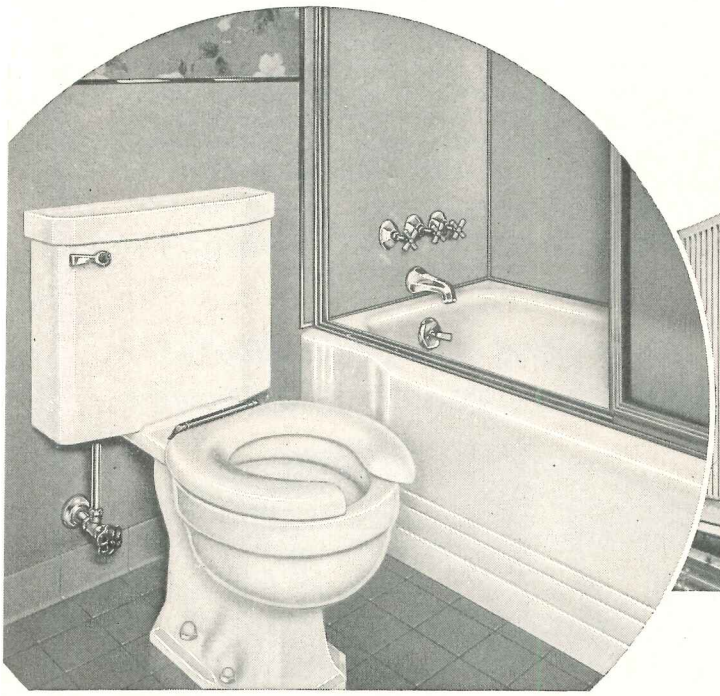

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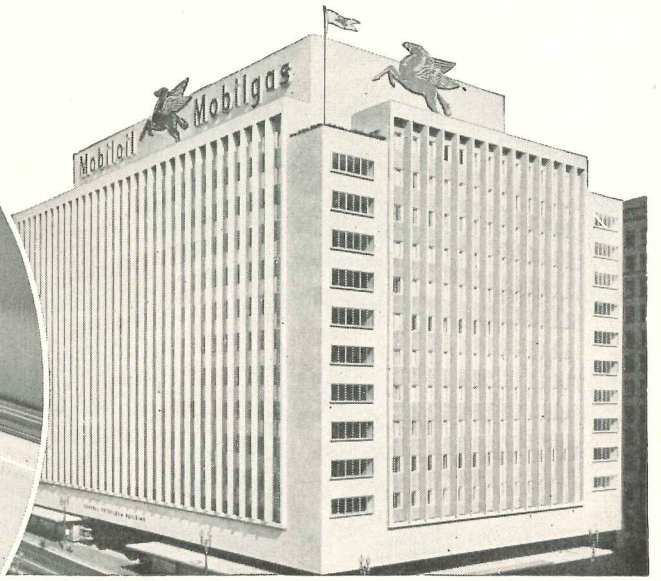


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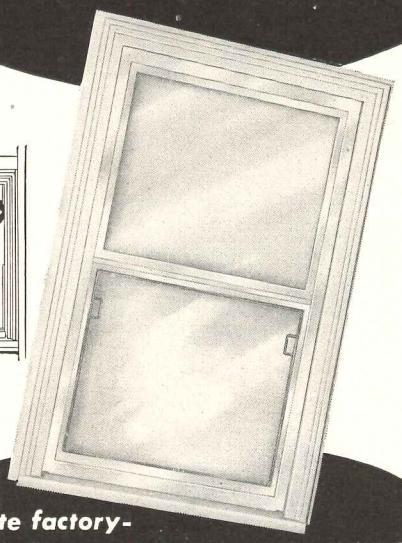

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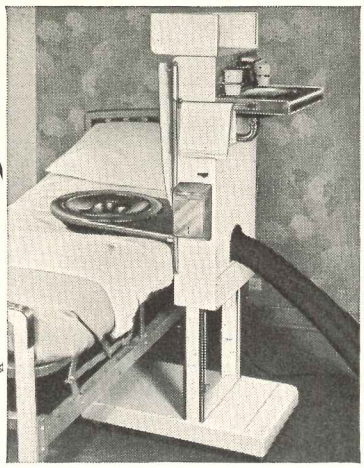

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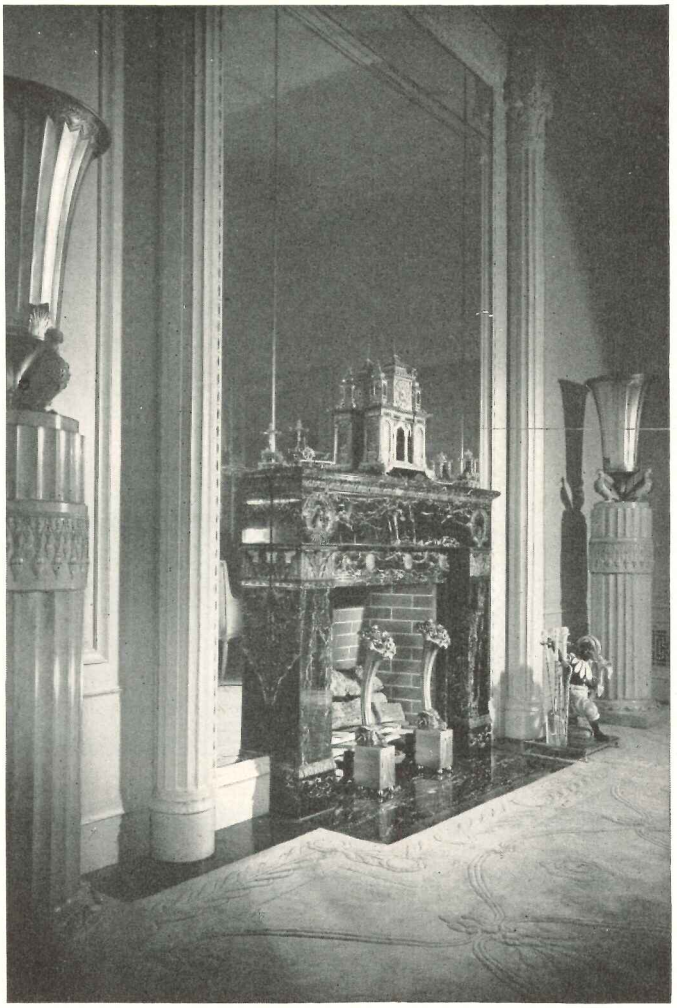

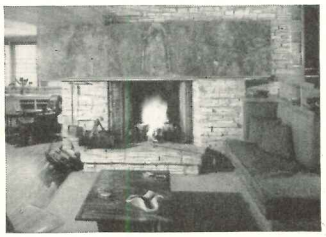

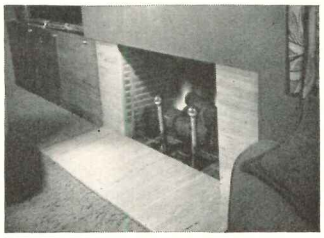

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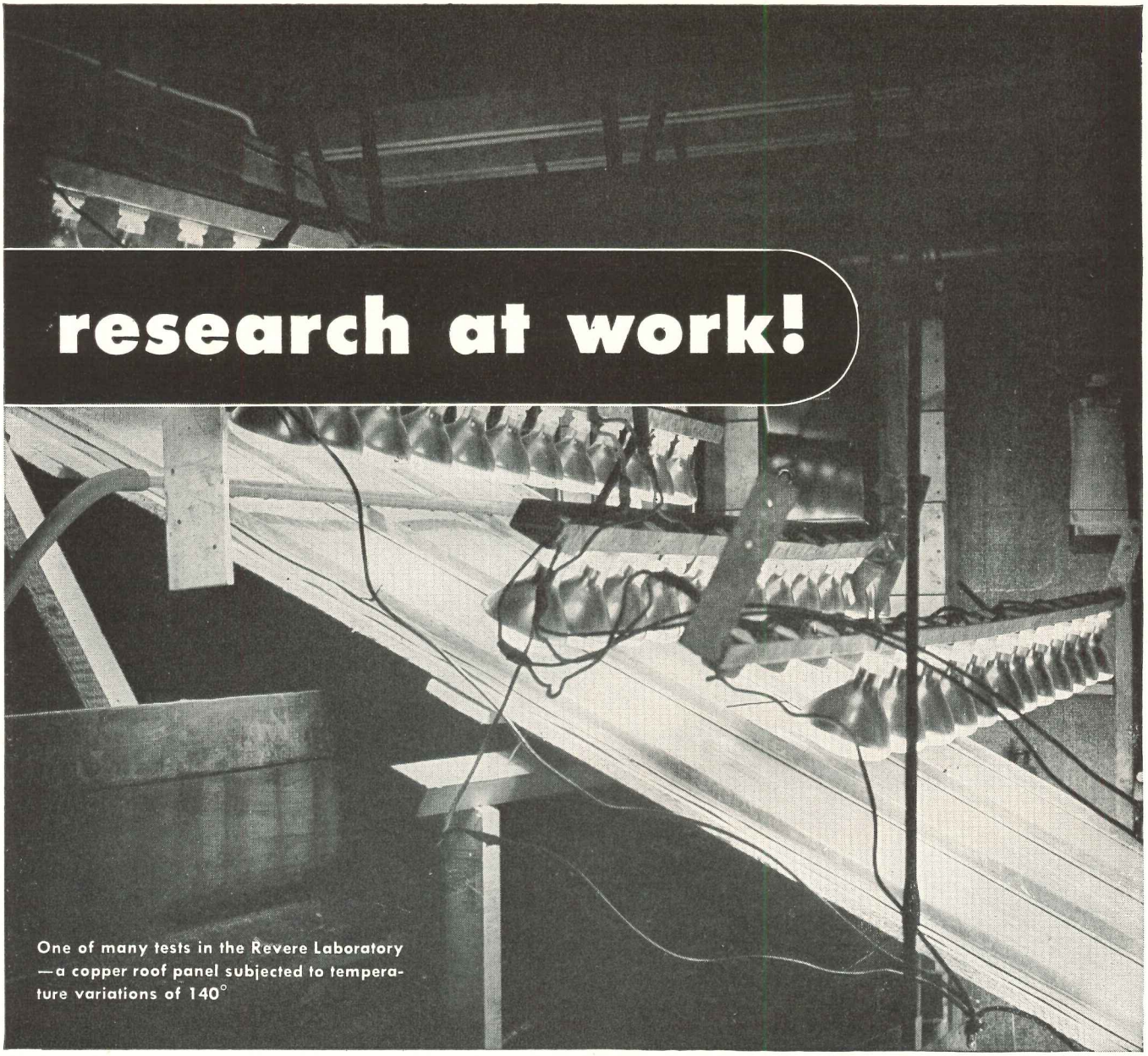


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In these days of high costs it is as important not to over-design as it is not to under-design, though probably in the recent past it has been under-design that has been of most concern. Copper has been recognized universally as the prime roofing material. The metal is so highly resistant to atmospheric corrosion, and hence so confidently relied upon, that there has been a constant tendency to cut down on thickness, until in some instances a mere veneer a few thousandths of an inch thick has been applied. Since modern manufacturing methods have made wide sheets of copper economically available at gauges much lighter than were produced for early copper construction, it became essential to determine the minimum thicknesses of copper that could be used without introducing the danger of mechanical failure of the metal under the structural loads that would be applied to it in service.

## Roof Walkers

As the first step in this project, a number of qualified Revere metal research workers were sent out into the field. They

checked every copper roof they could see. Such records as were available were studied. In addition, these men clambered over roofs to examine gauges, tempers, sheet lengths, methods of making joints, provisions for allowing for expansion and contraction, and the kind of underlying materials.

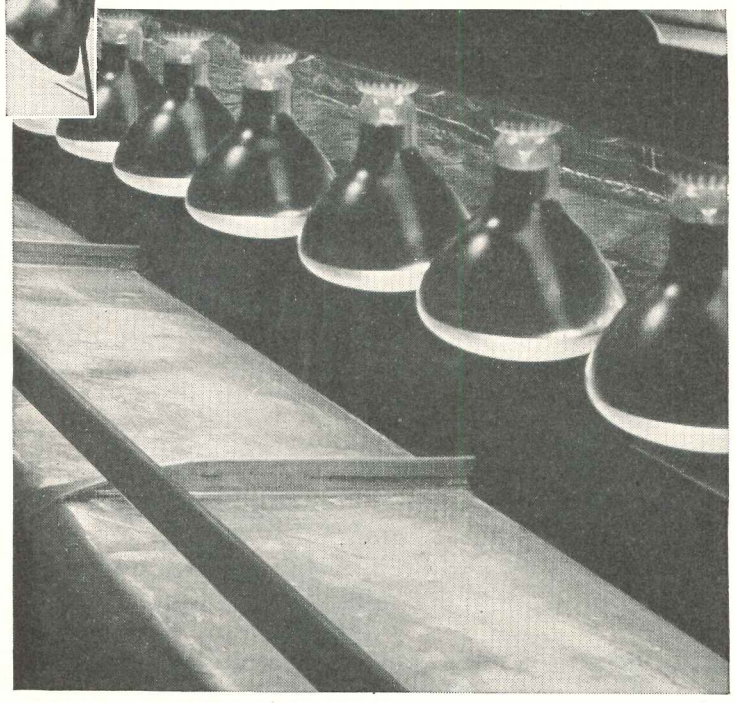
It quickly became evident that complete provision must be made for the expansion and contraction of the metal with changes in temperature. If the copper was not free and able to transmit forces to the expansion joints, buckles would form, and in time repeated flexing of the metal could produce cracks.

## Roofing Must Move

The fundamental ideas brought back from the field were these: copper on a roof must be stiff enough to transmit movement; its movement must not be restricted by adherent underlying substances; expansion joints must be properly spaced. These, however, were general conclusions. It was necessary to confirm them, and translate them into working specifications. Laboratory work then began. Full-scale replicas of actual installations were built indoors, and subjected to conditions approximating those that had to be met outdoors. To duplicate the summer sun, batteries of infra-red lamps were used. After the metal had been heated, the lamps were turned off, and a cold "rain" of frigid river water was poured upon it. Thus a temperature change of 140° was produced in a few minutes. Various installations up to 65 feet in length were given this severe treatment six times an hour.

## The Speed-Up

These tests were spectacular because of the speed with which things happened. You could see the metal move before your eyes, see where stresses were concentrated and where buckling developed. The action was so pronounced that it was easy to record it in motion pictures, as well as make accurate measurements. Sheet copper thus tested ranged from 16-oz. soft, which had become virtually standard in recent years, to 32-oz. cold rolled, such as was installed in 1873 on the State Capitol in Albany, N. Y., one of many outstandingly successful jobs.



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## Strength Needed

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Eventually, after much mathematical work and confirmatory laboratory tests, it became possible to draw up completely new specifications for copper roofings, gutters and flashings of adequate strength and minimum metal. All this information has been printed. It is widely distributed among architects, designers, builders and contractors, roofers and sheet metal workers. This was the first authoritative work of its kind.

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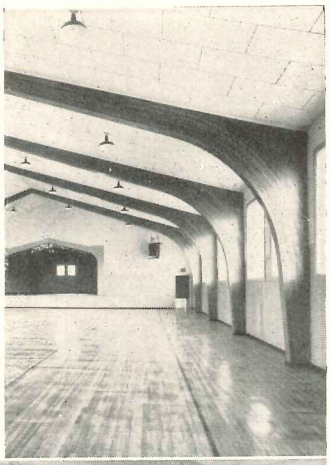

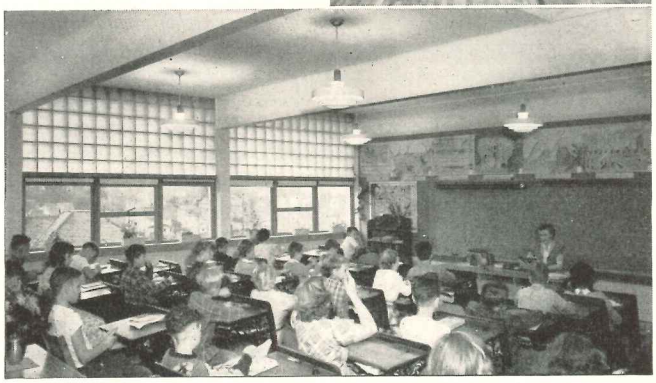

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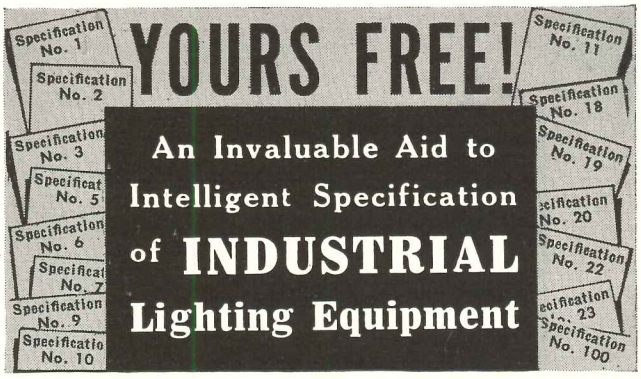


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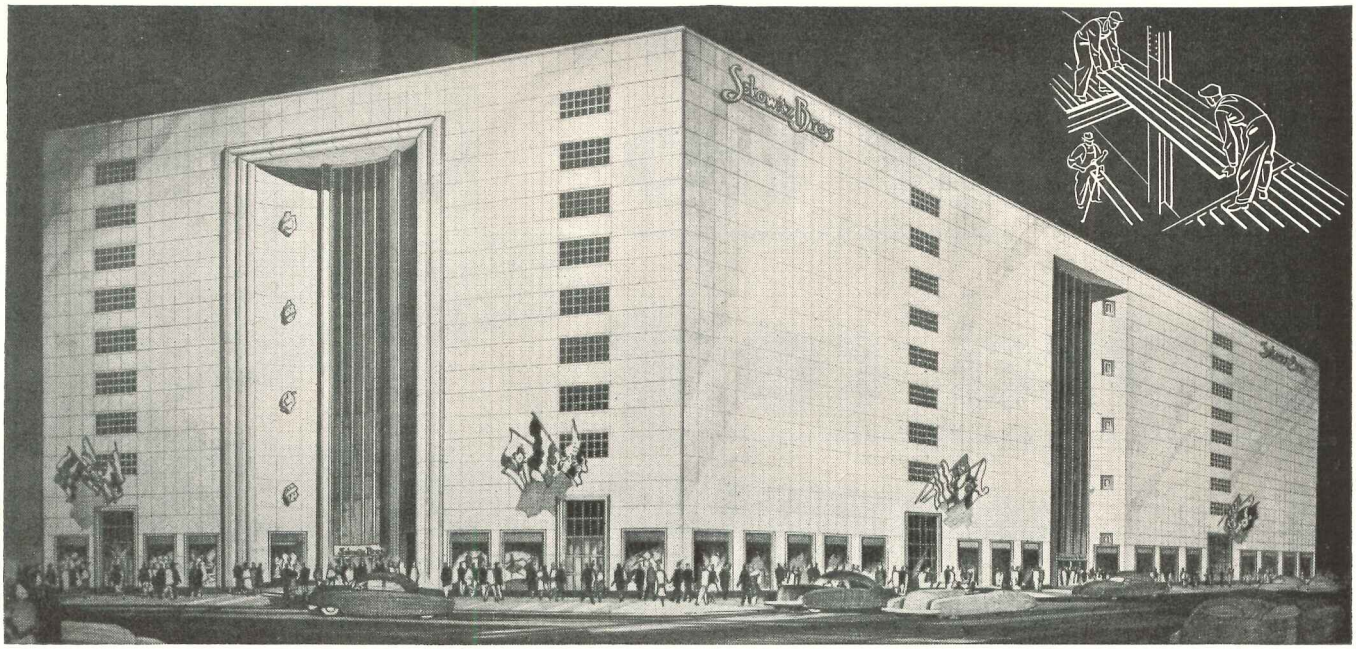


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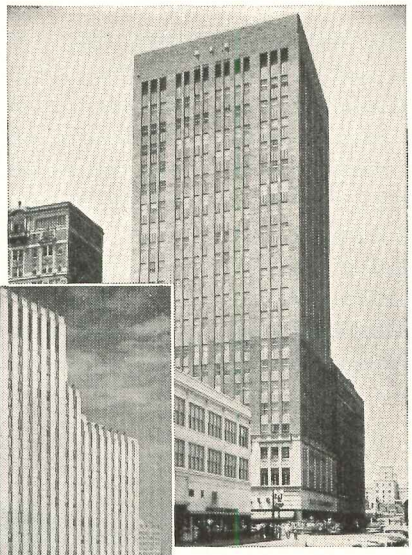

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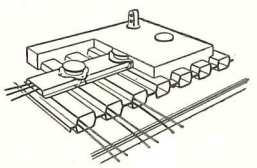

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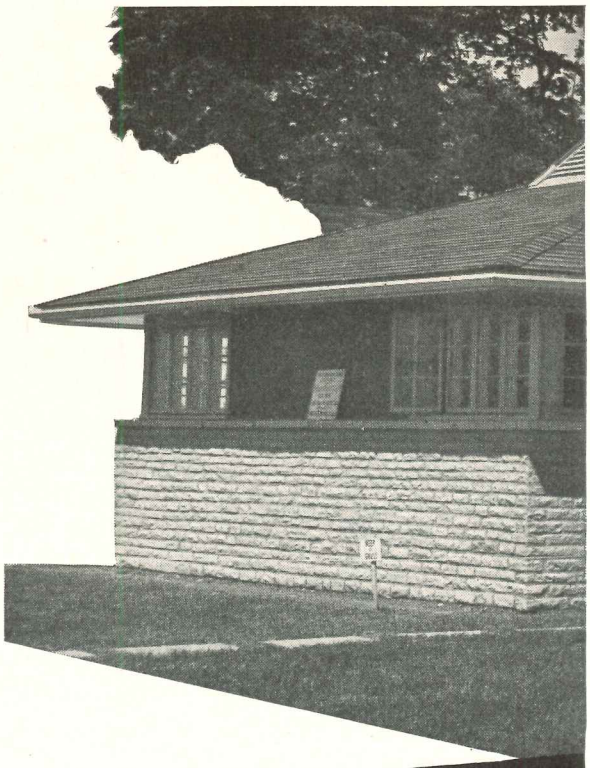

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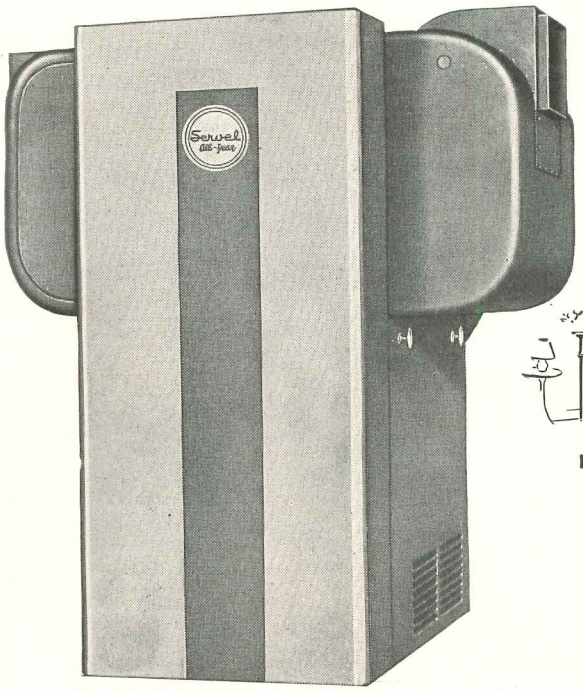


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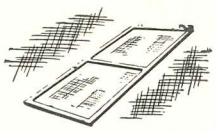

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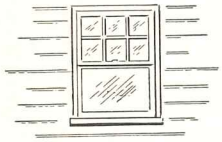

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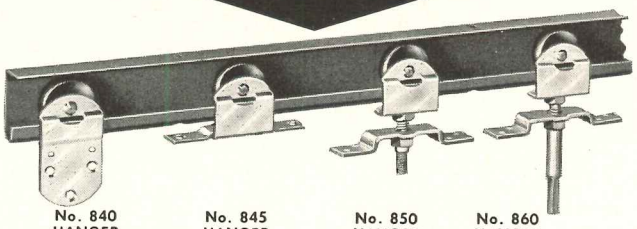

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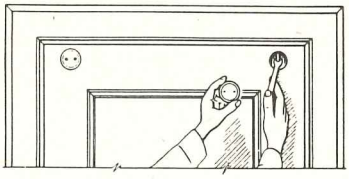

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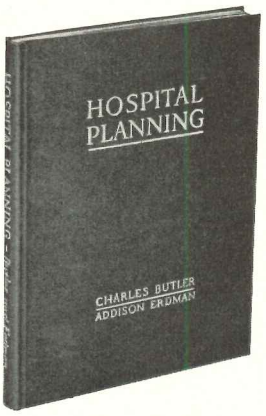


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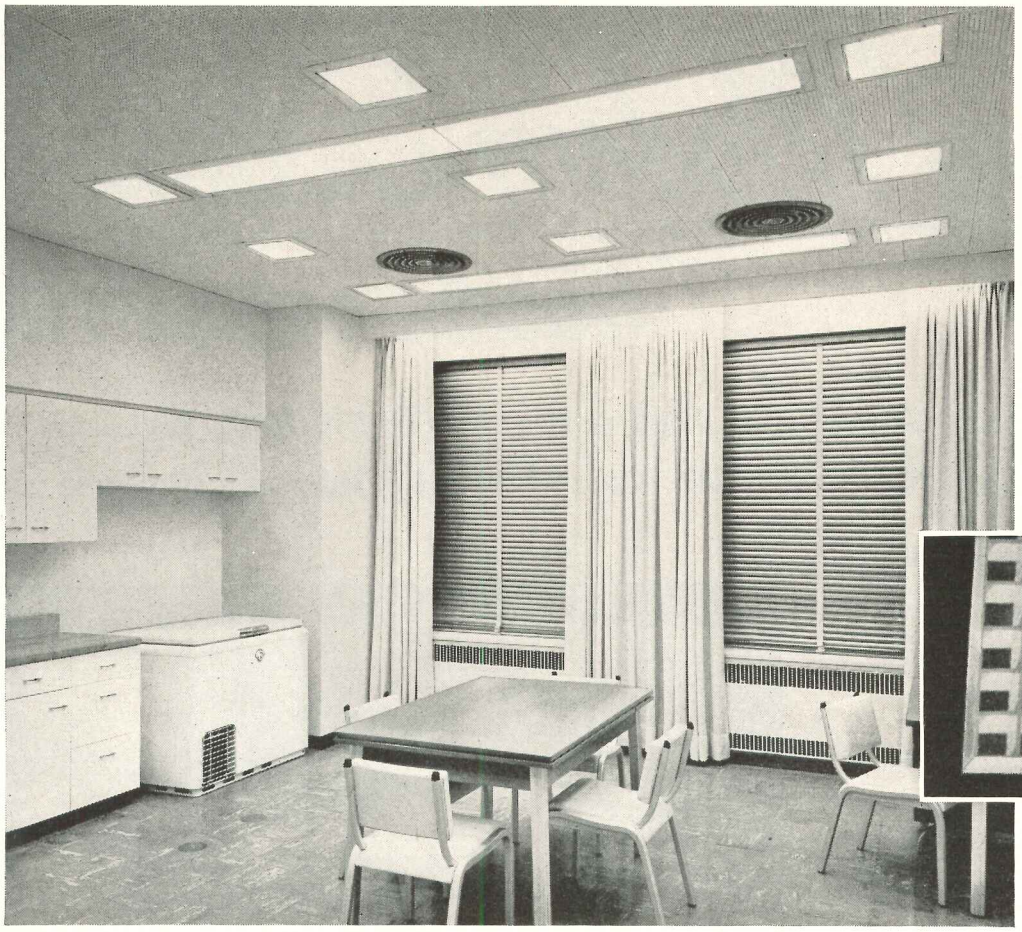

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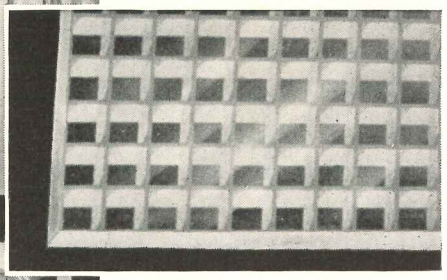

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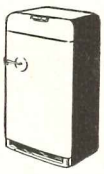

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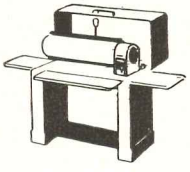

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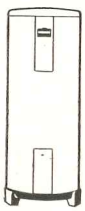

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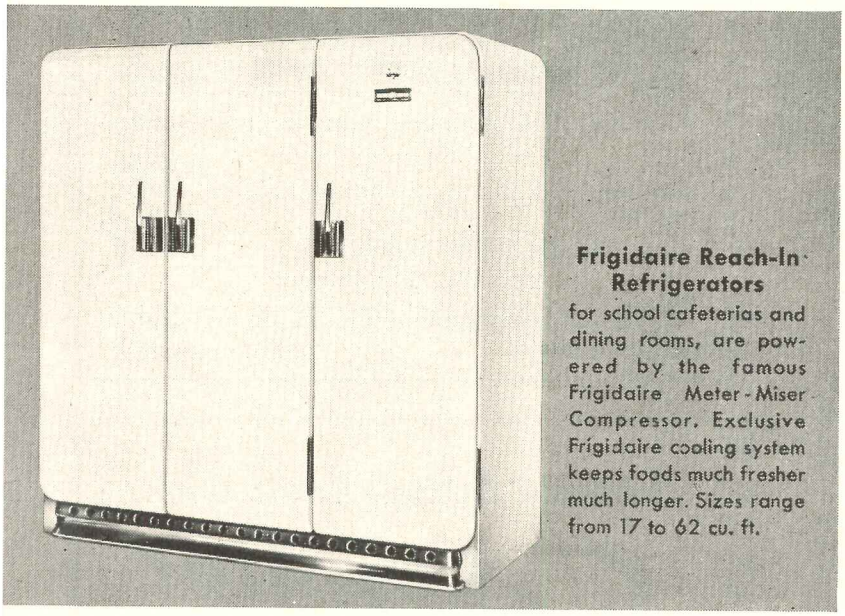

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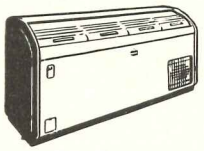

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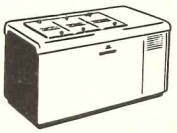

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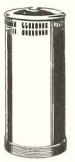

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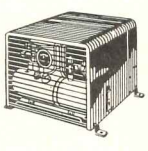

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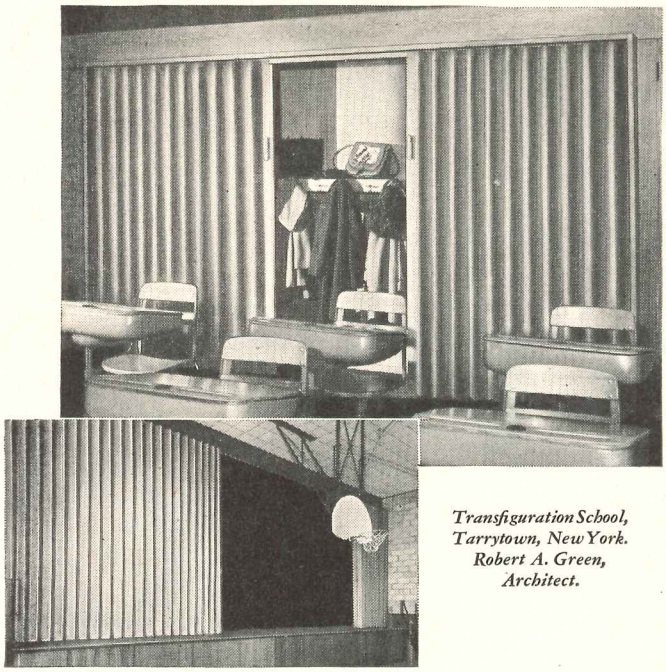

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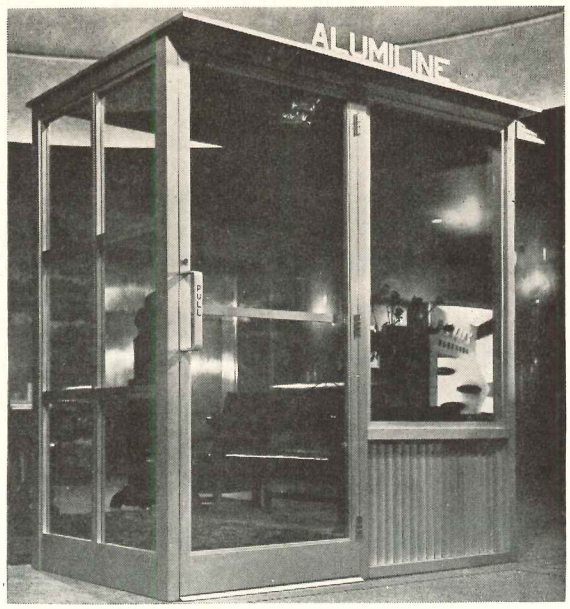


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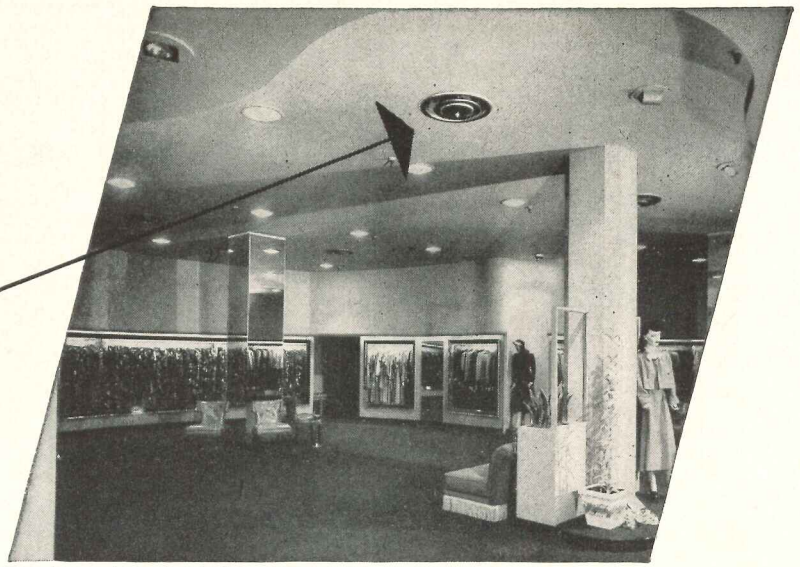

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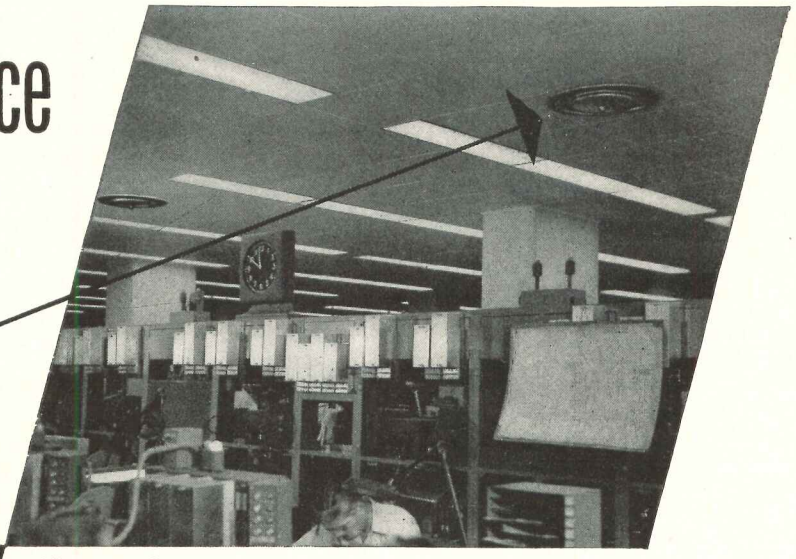

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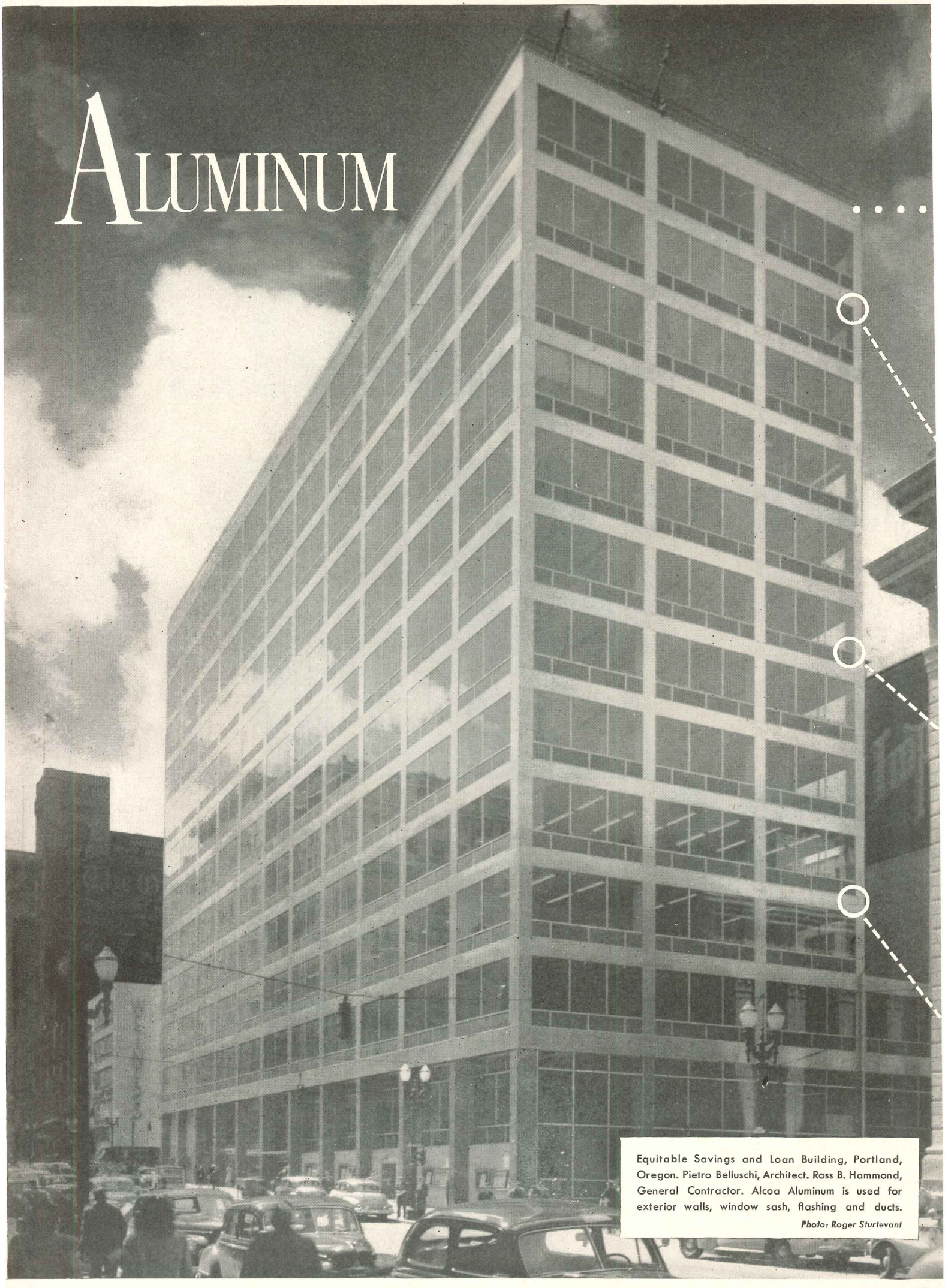

Equitable Savings and Loan Building, Portland, Oregon. Pietro Belluschi, Architect. Ross B. Hammond, General Contractor. Alcoa Aluminum is used for exterior walls, window sash, flashing and ducts.

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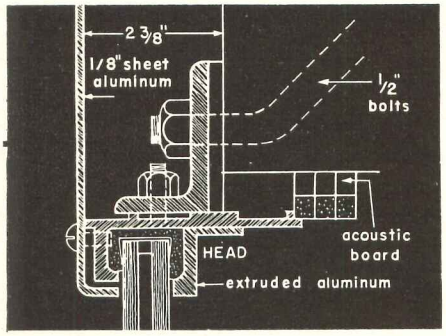


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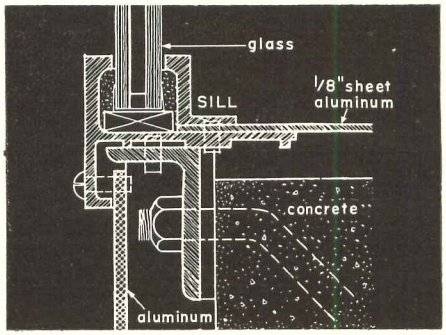


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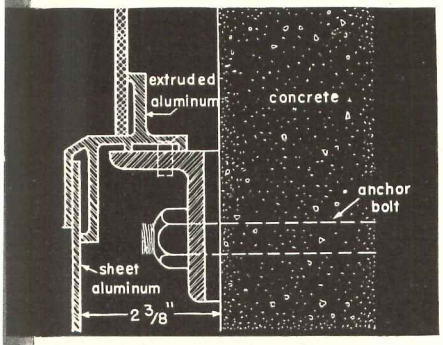


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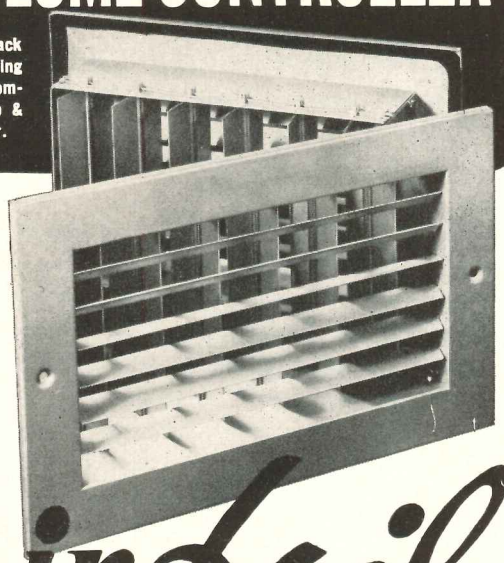

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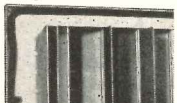

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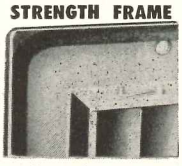

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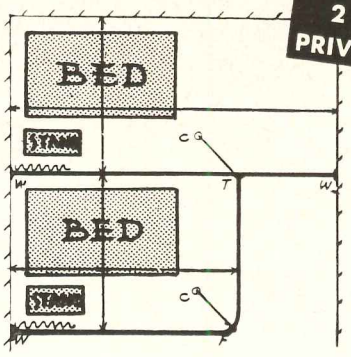


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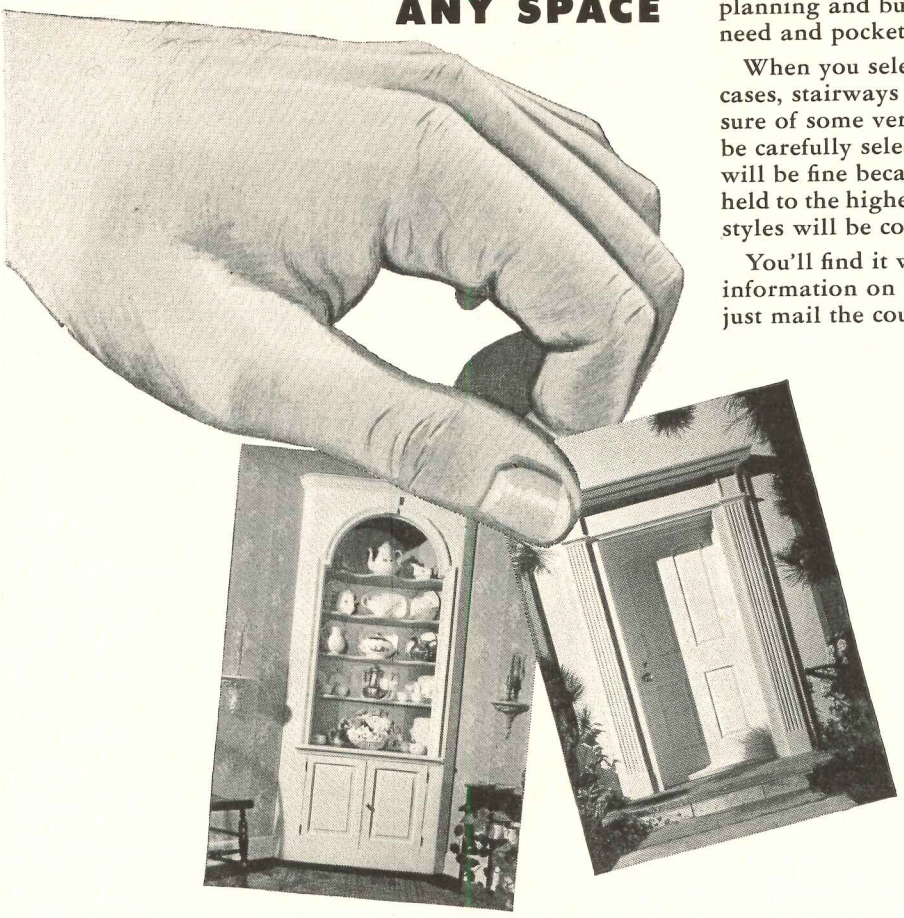

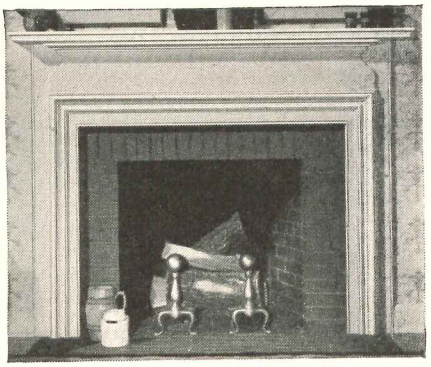

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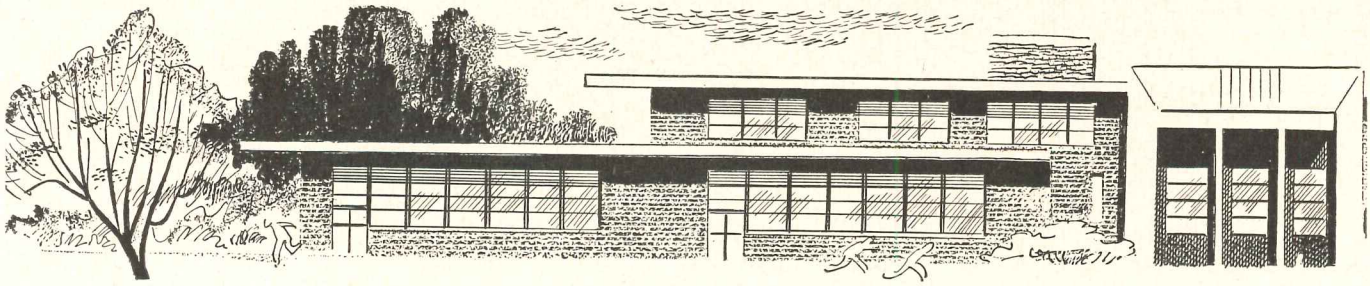

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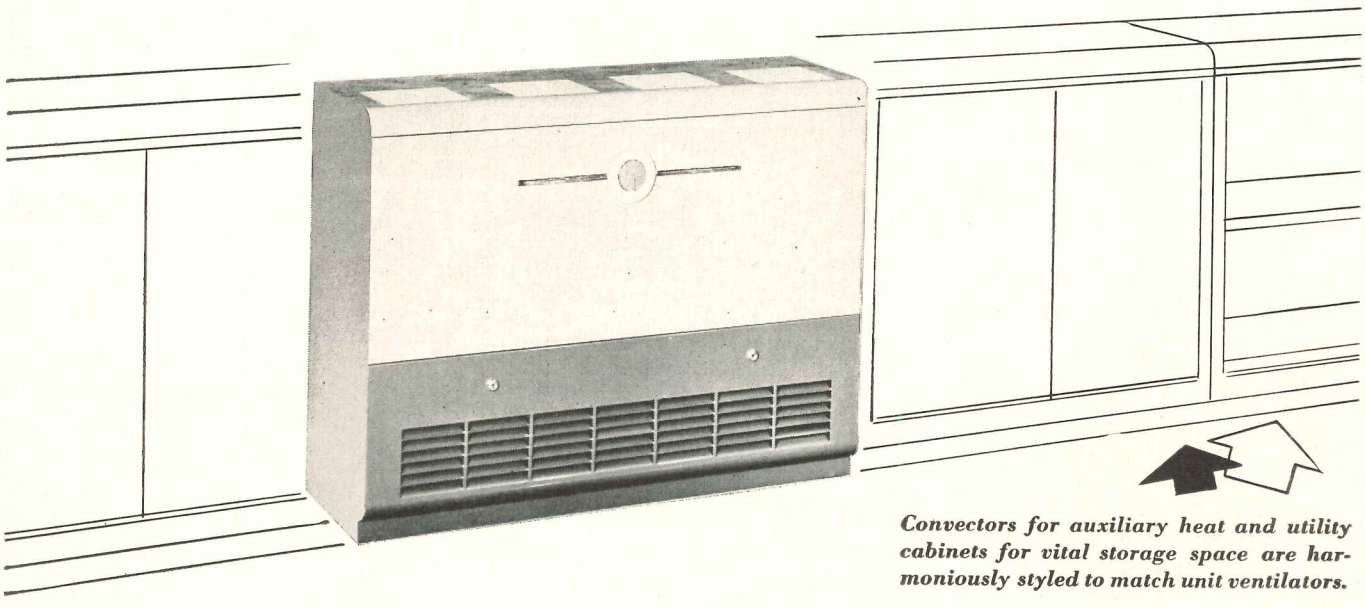

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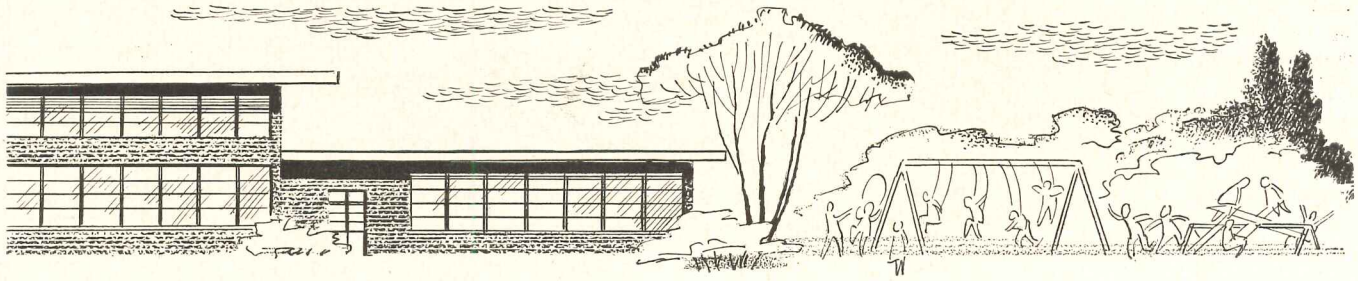

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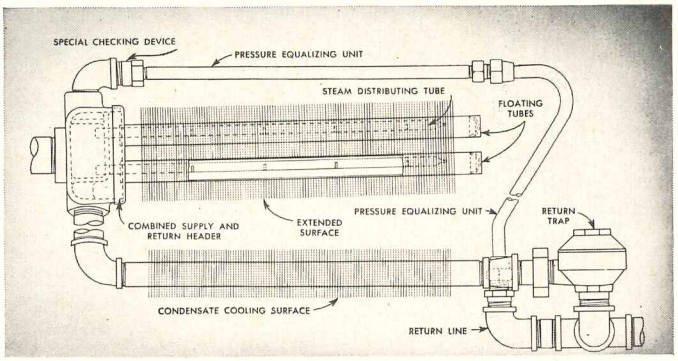


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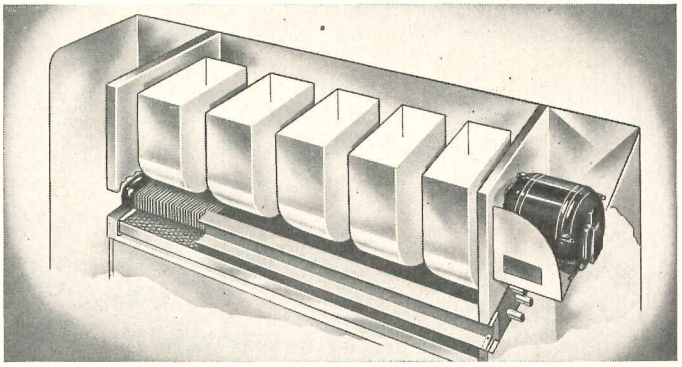

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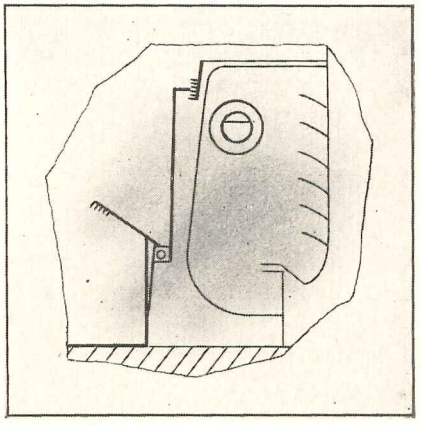

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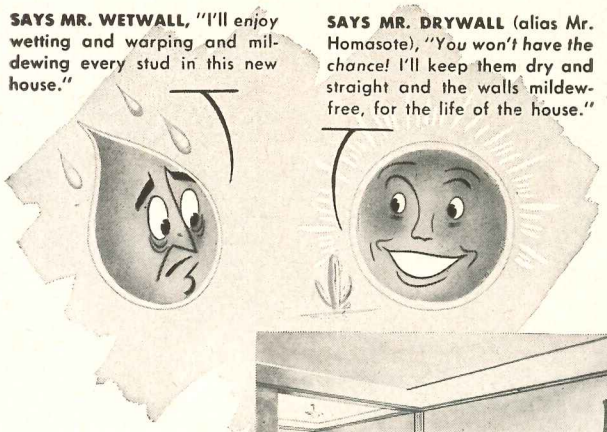


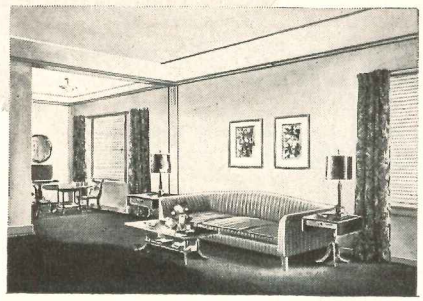

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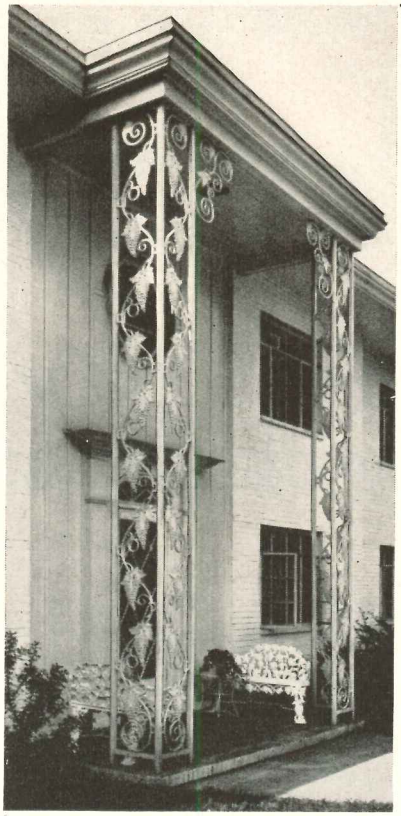

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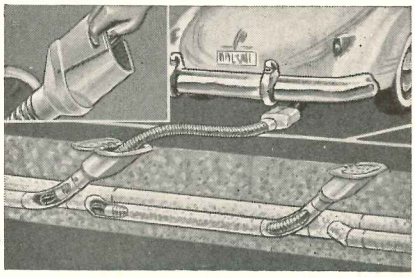

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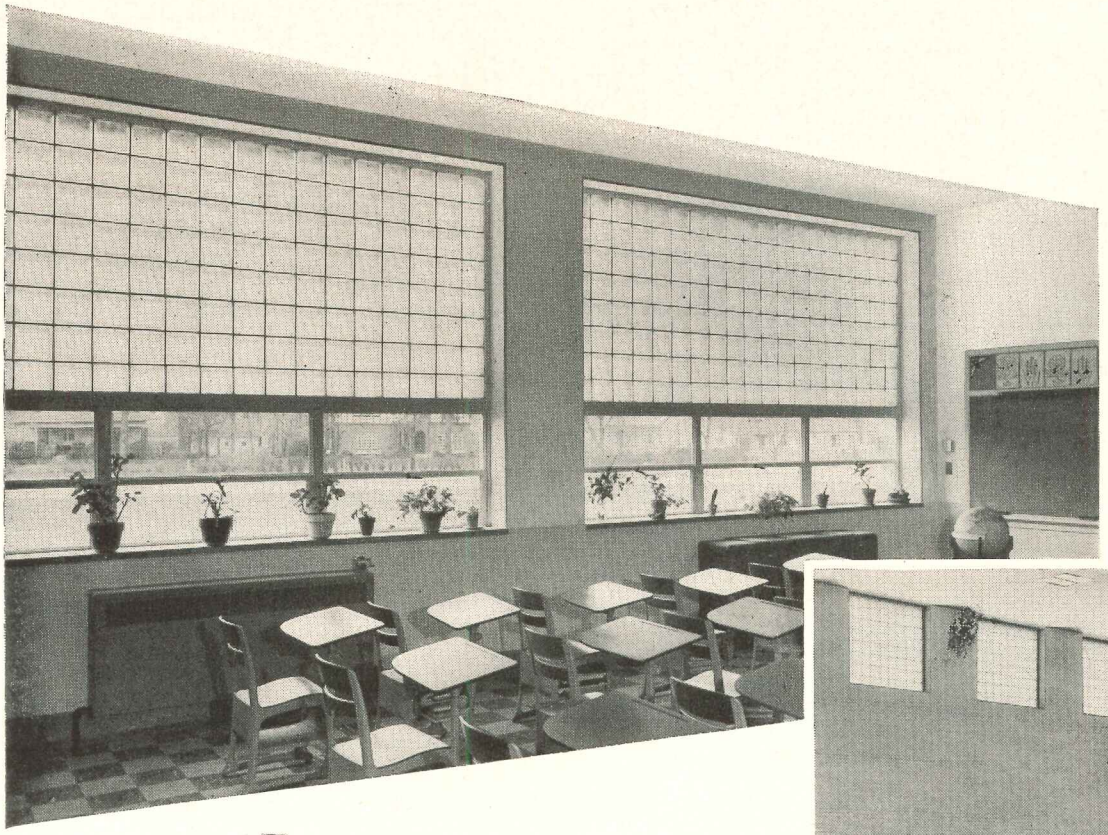

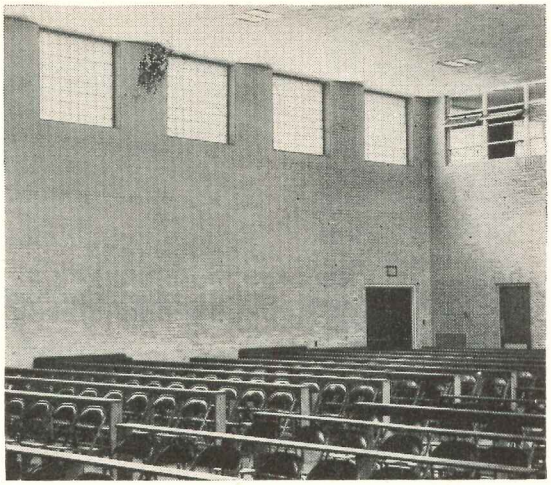

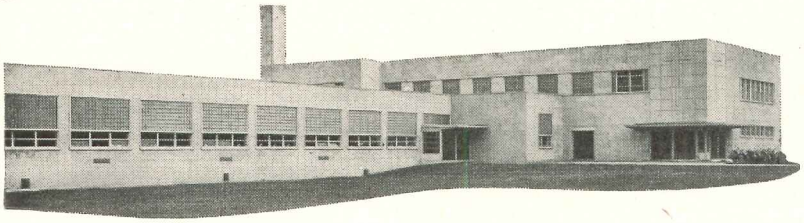

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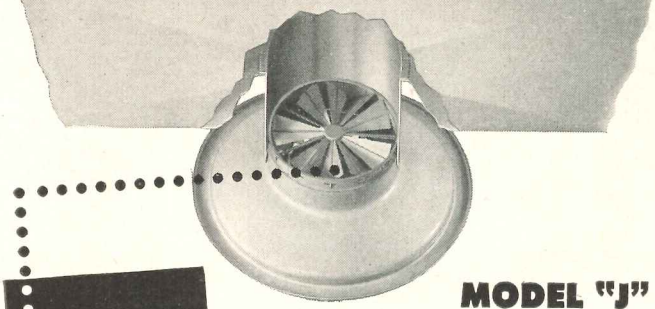

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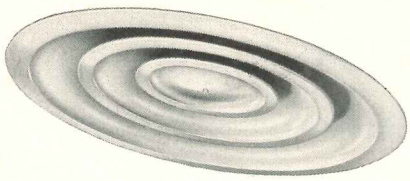

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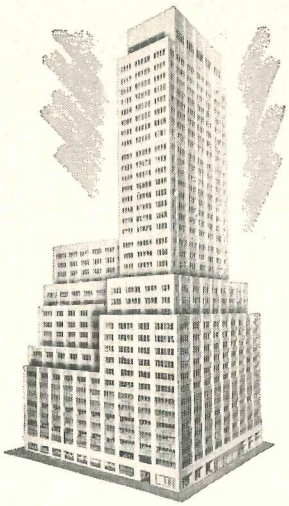

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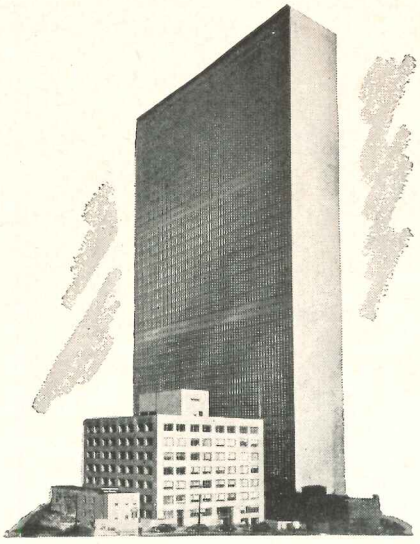

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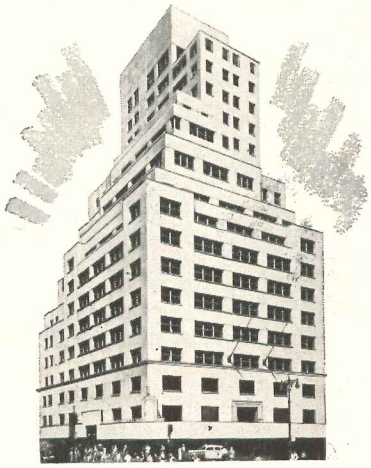

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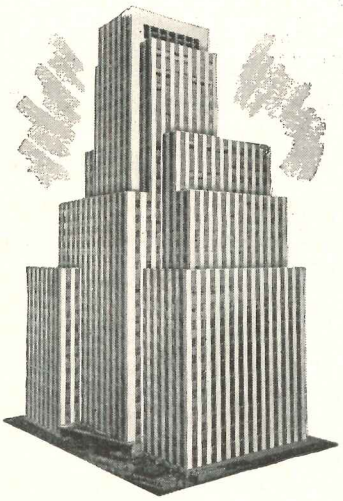

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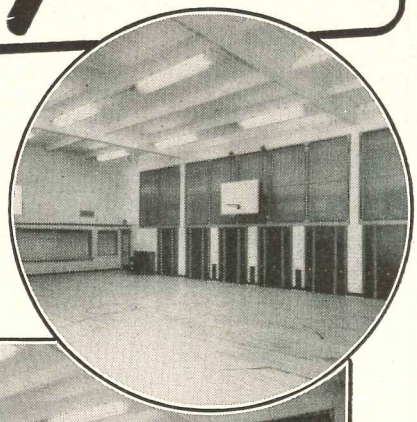

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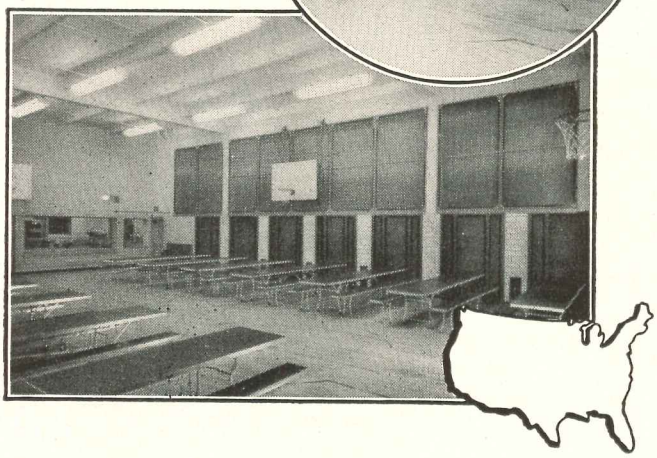

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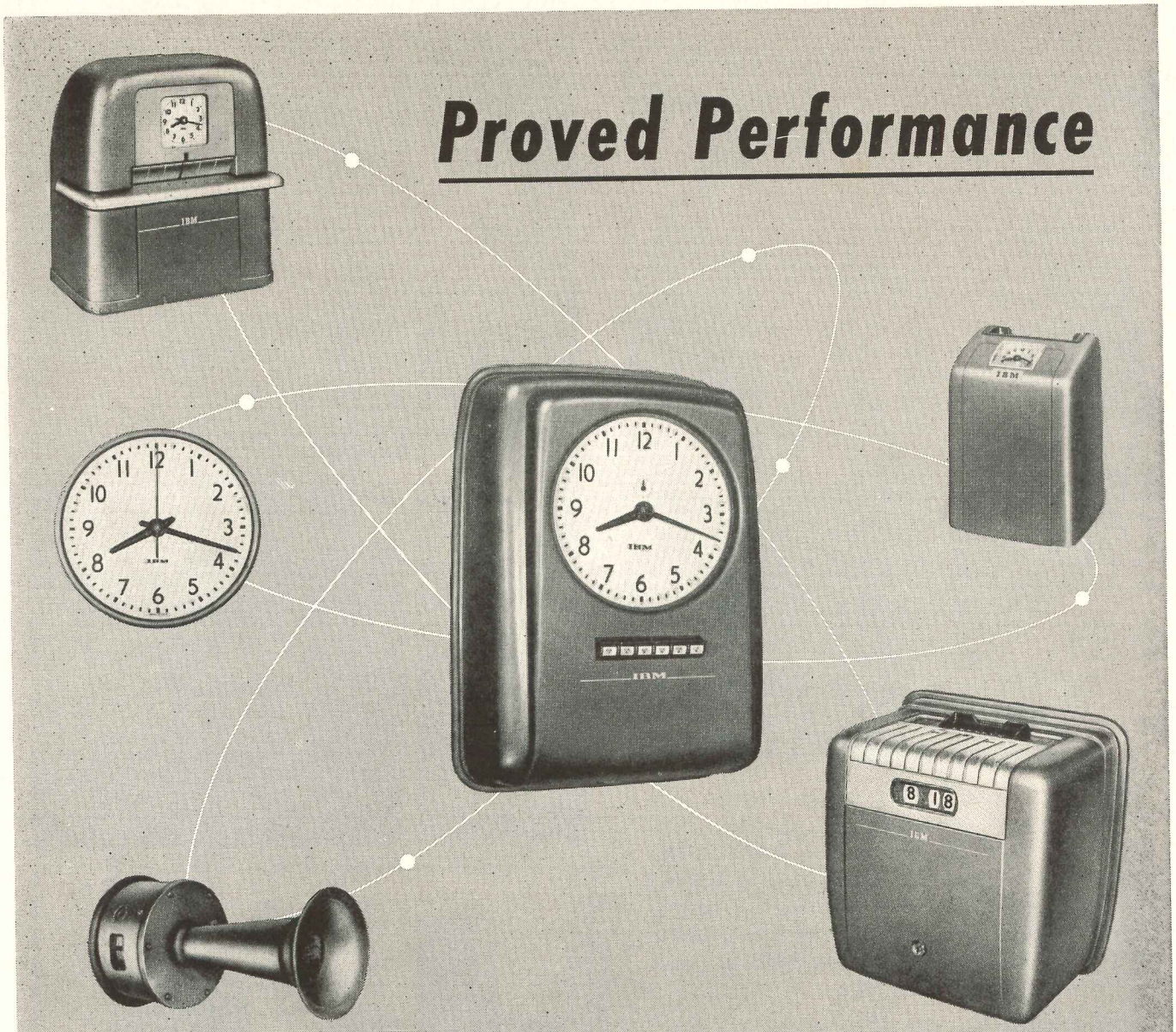

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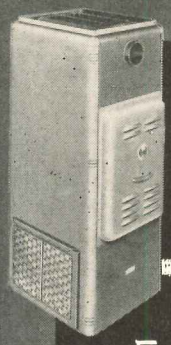

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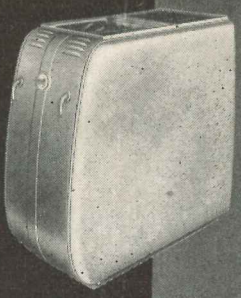

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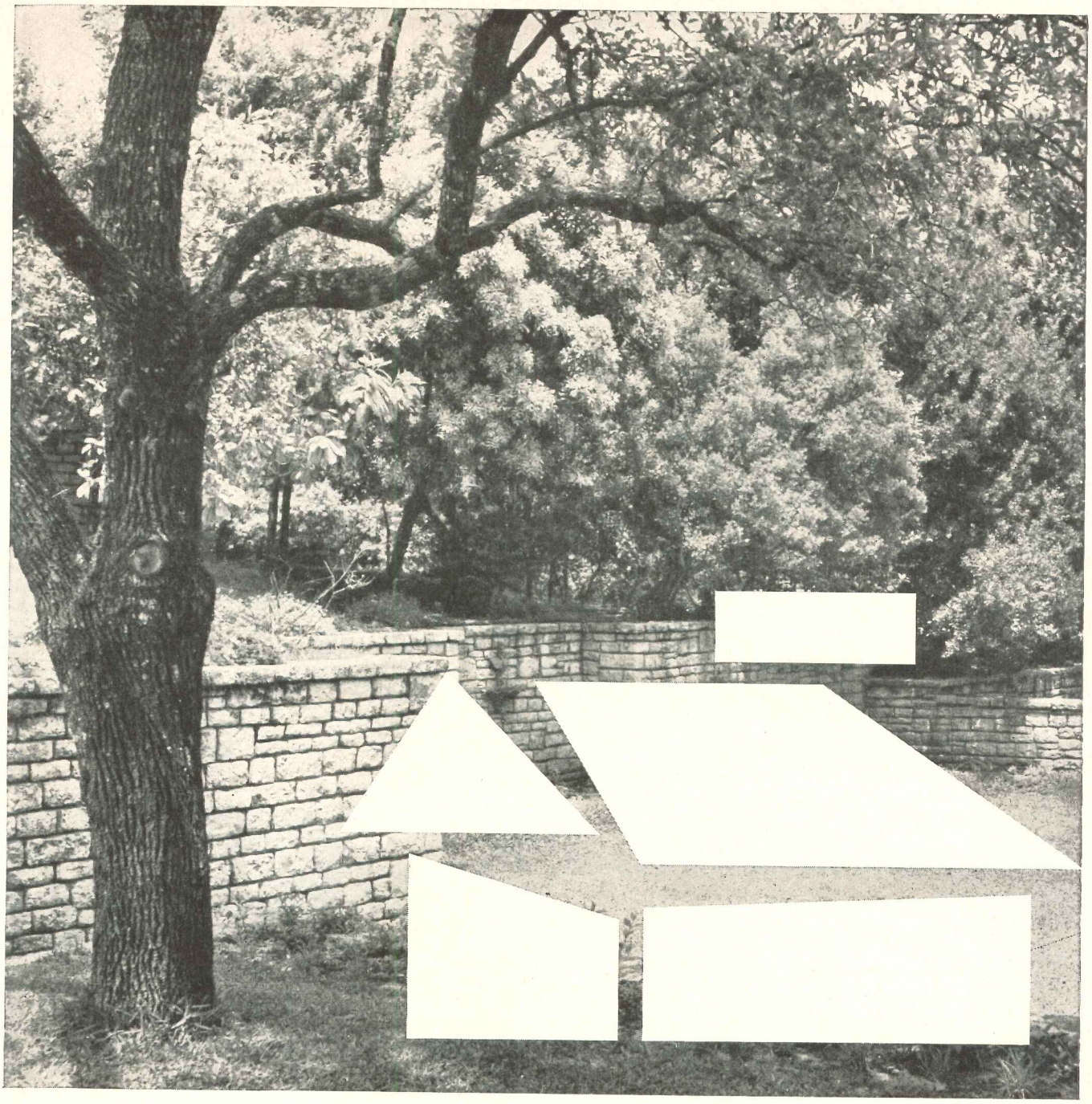

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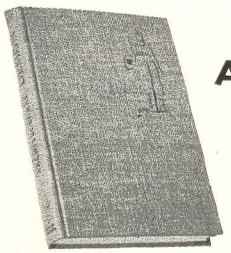

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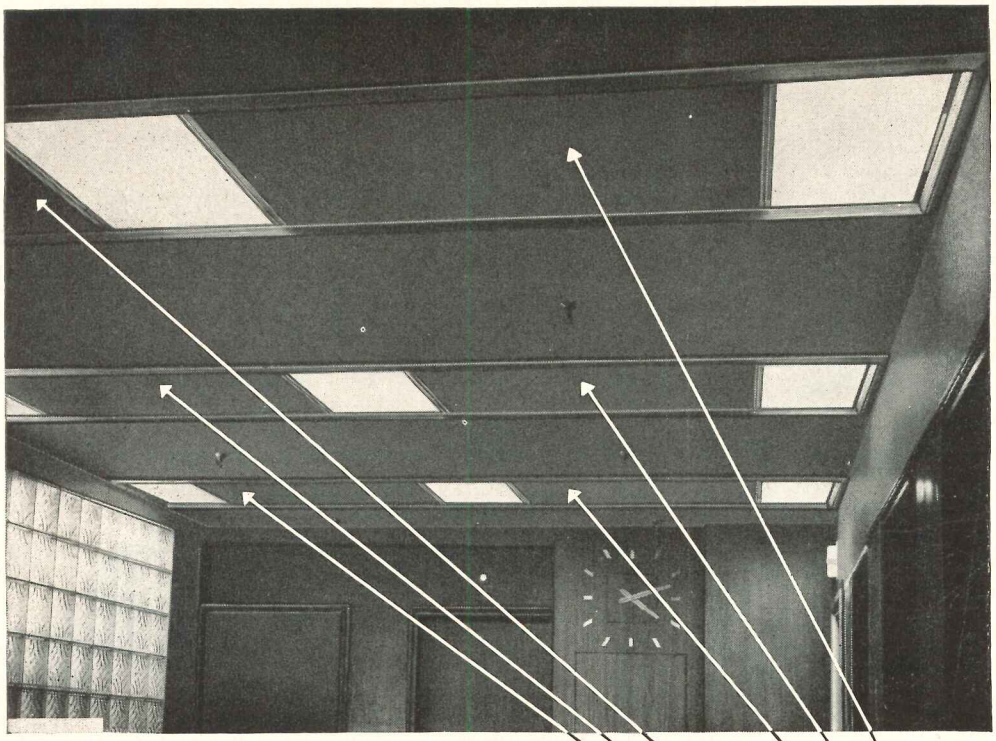

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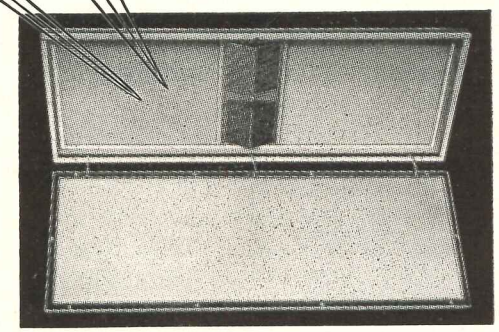

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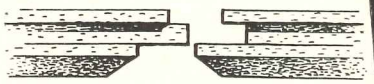

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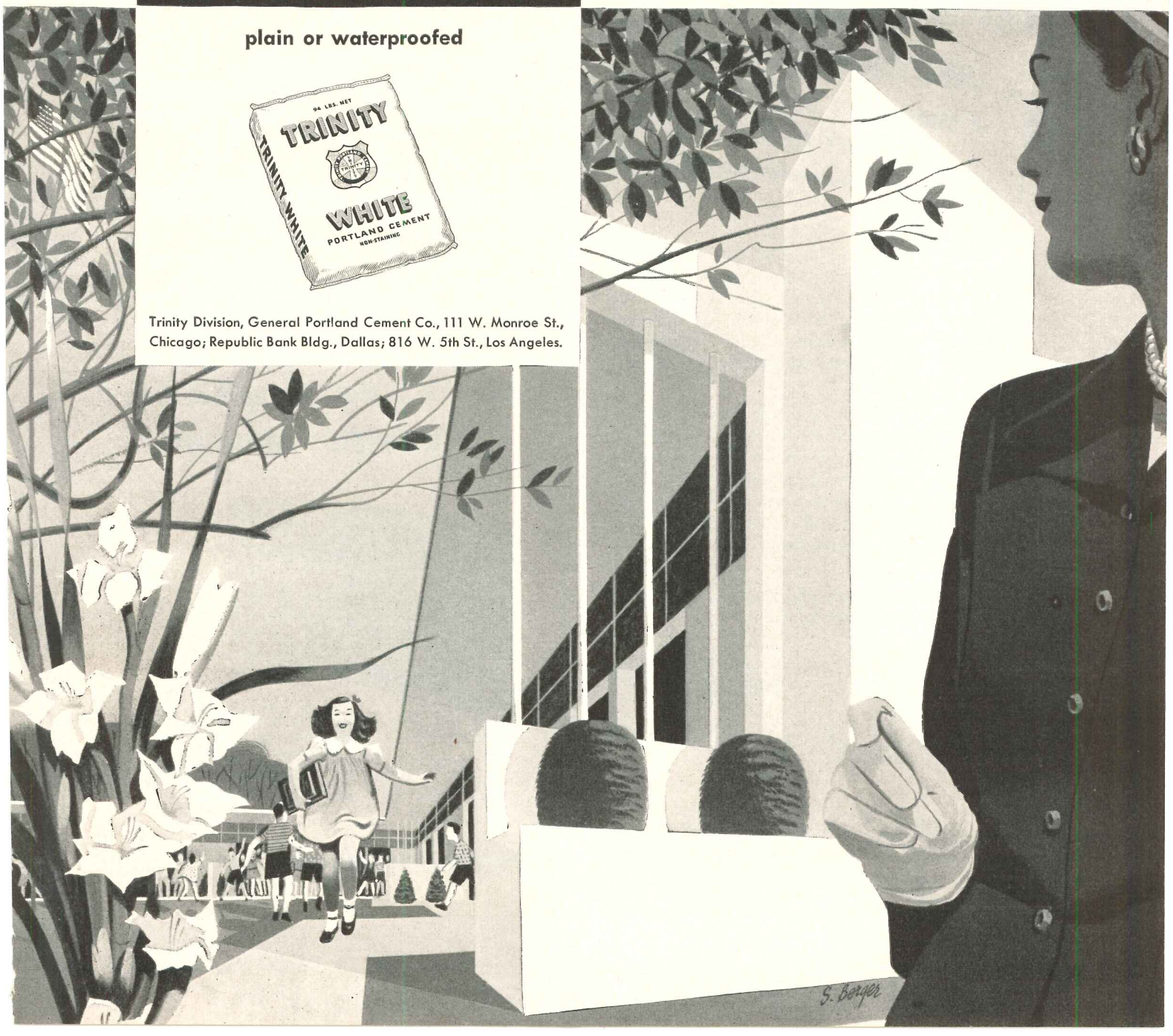

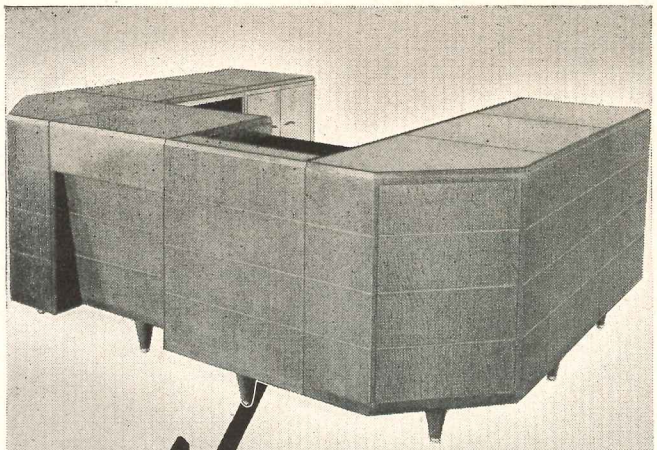

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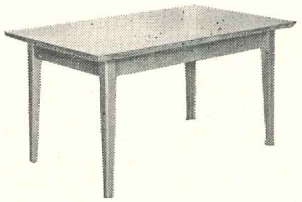

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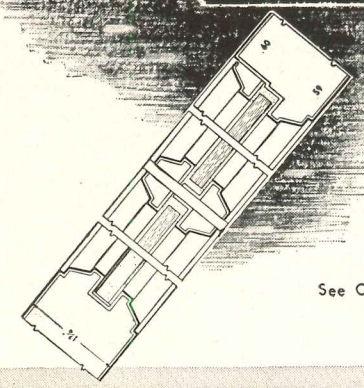

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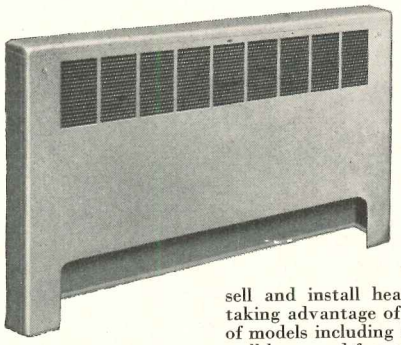

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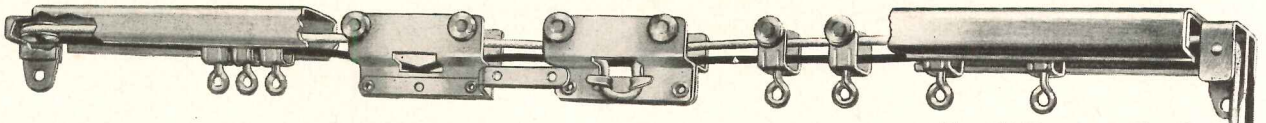

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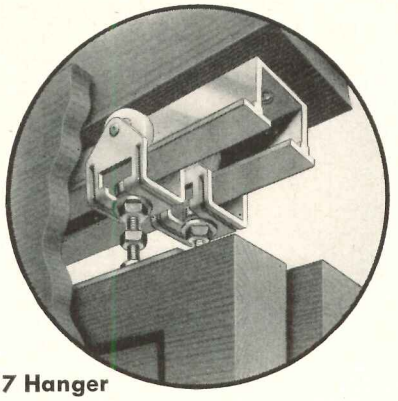

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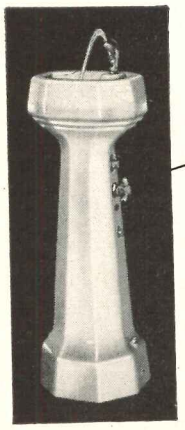

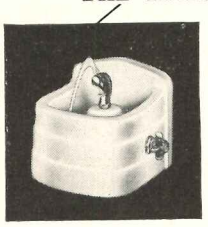

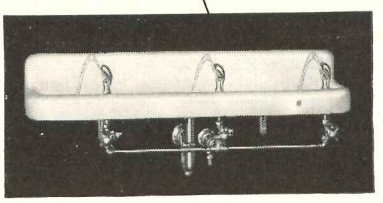

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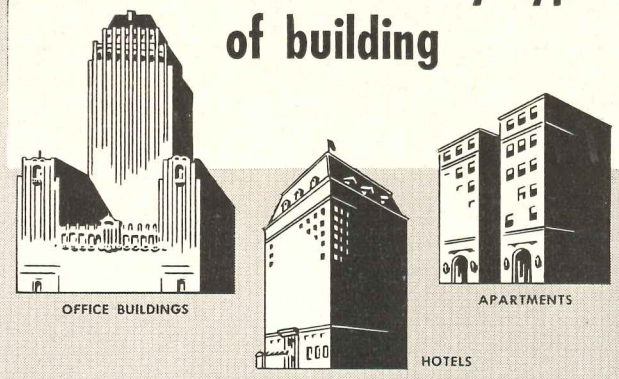


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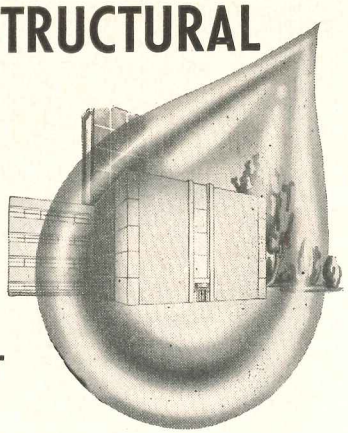

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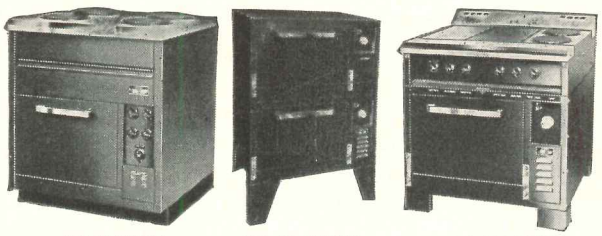

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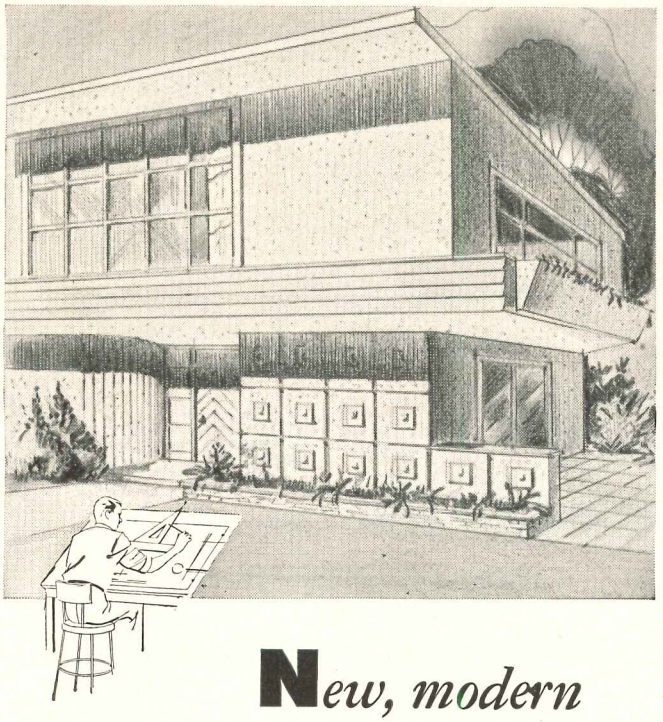

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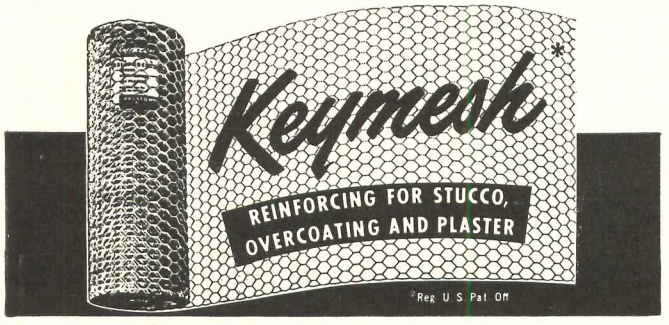

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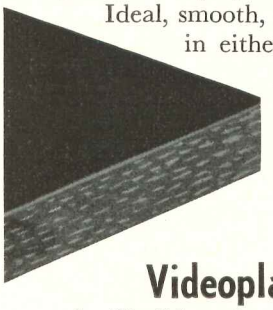

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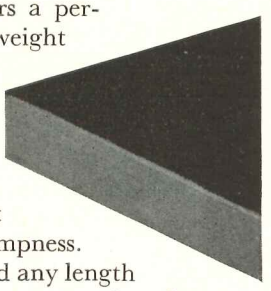

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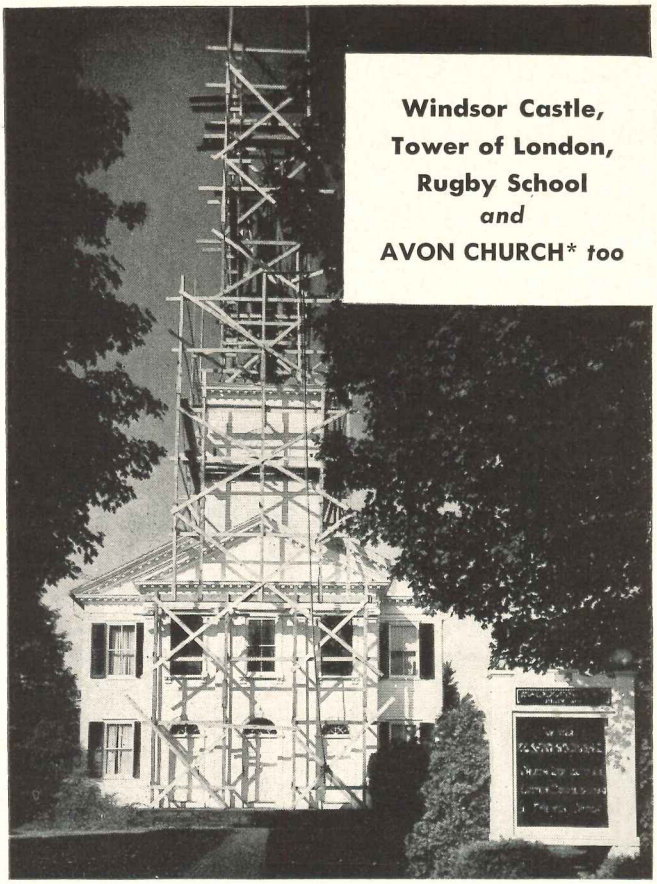


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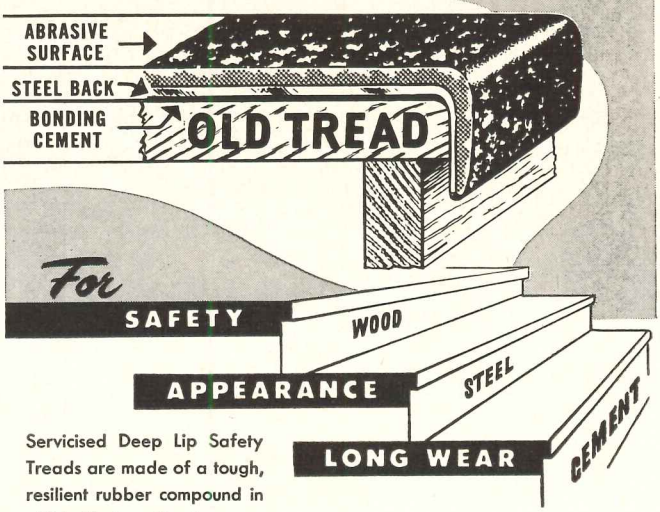





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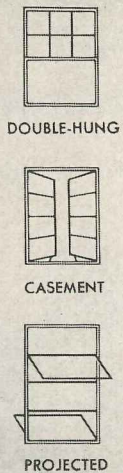


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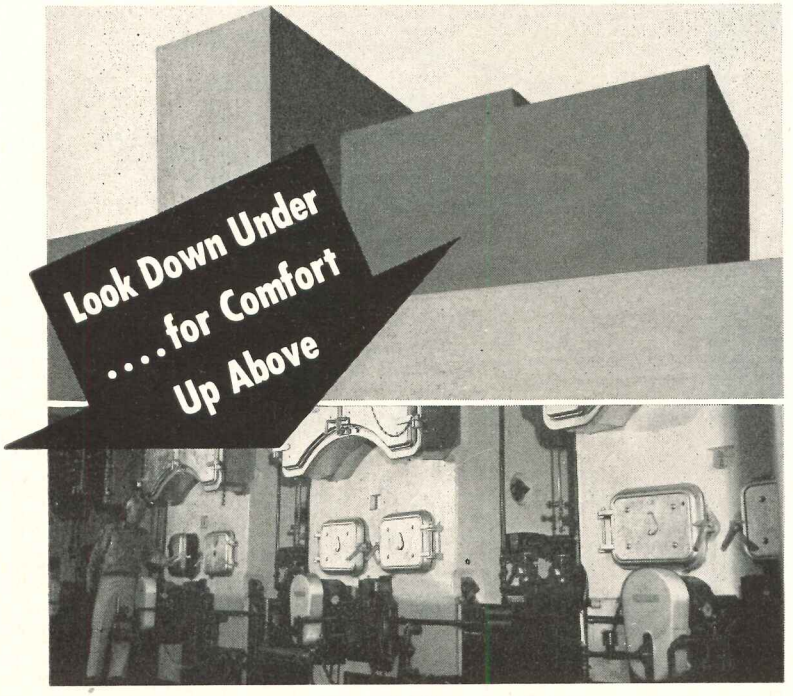


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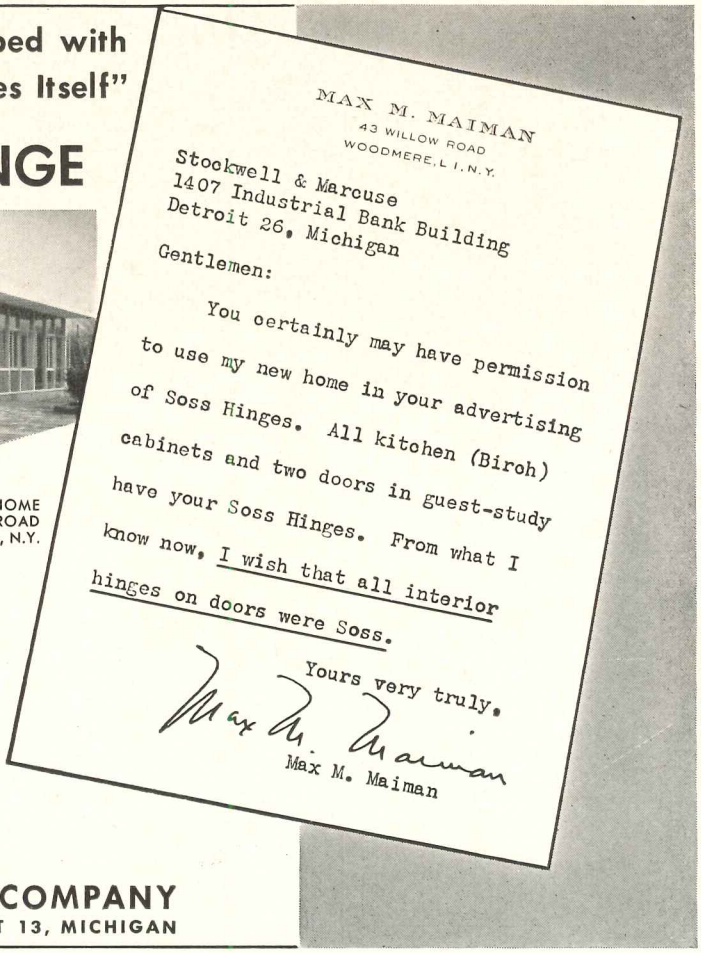

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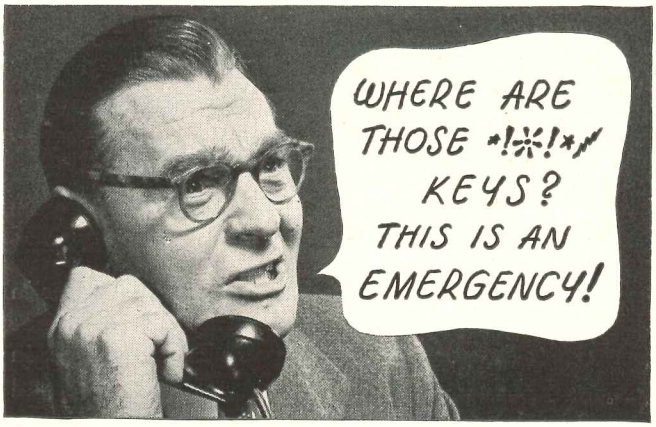


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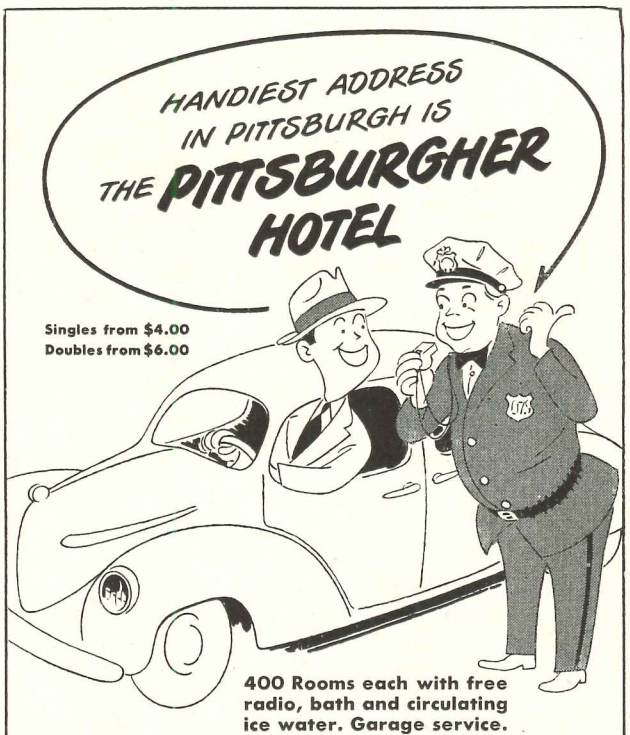


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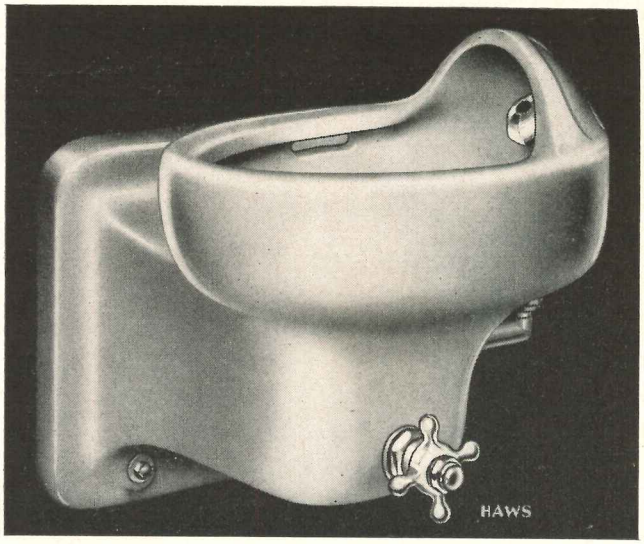


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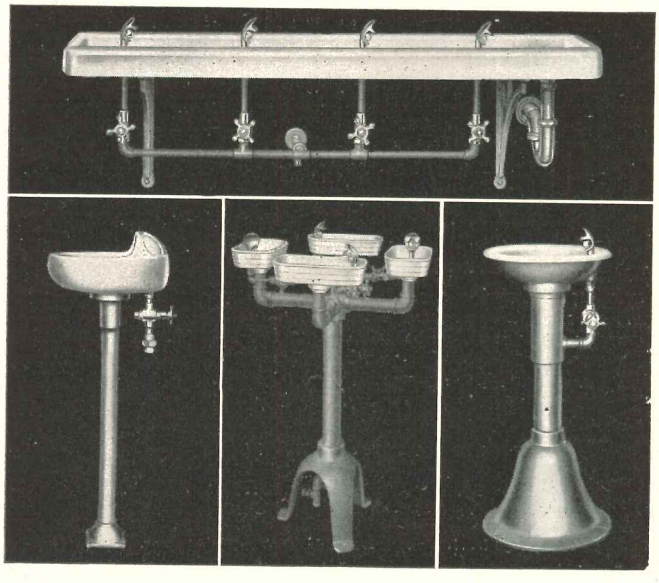

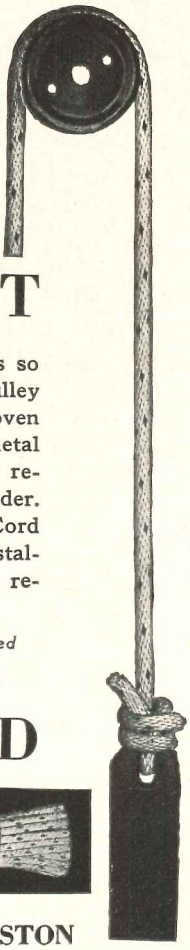

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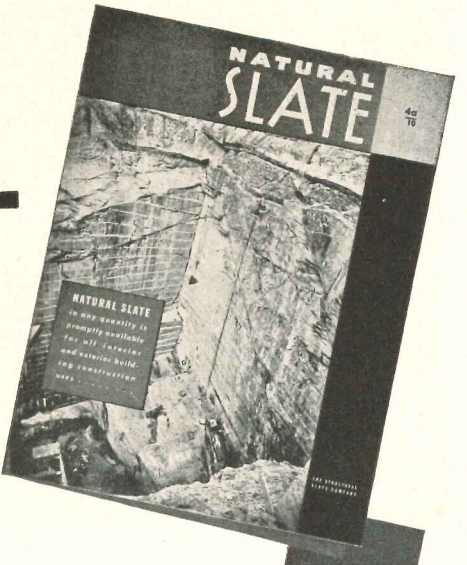


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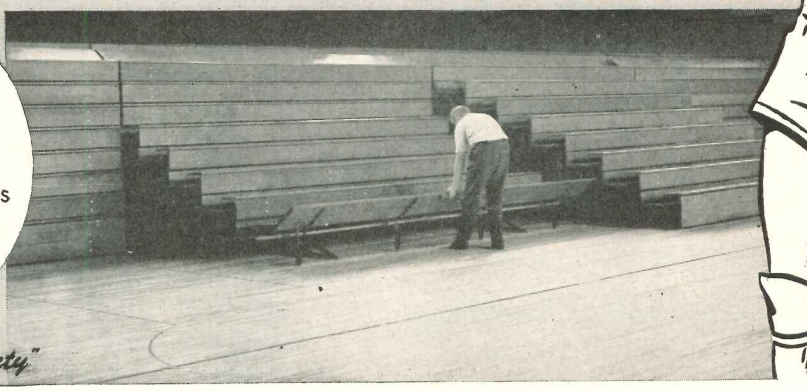

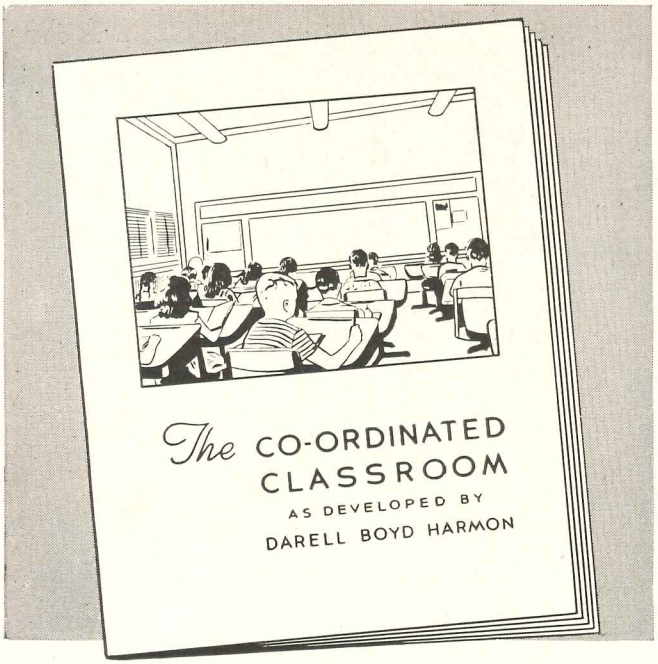


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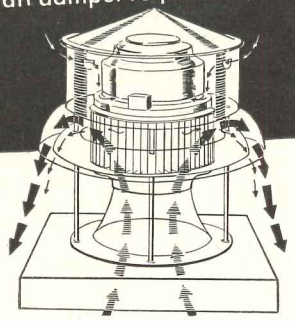

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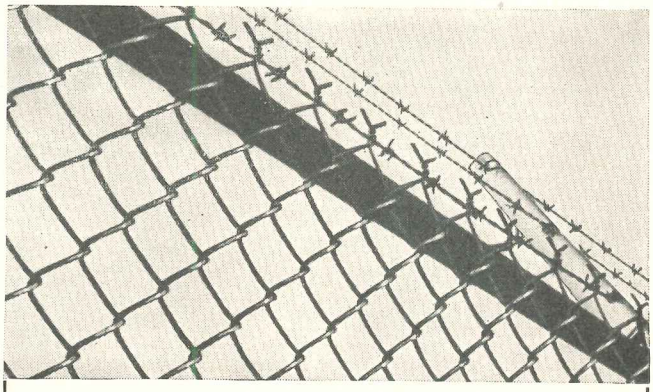

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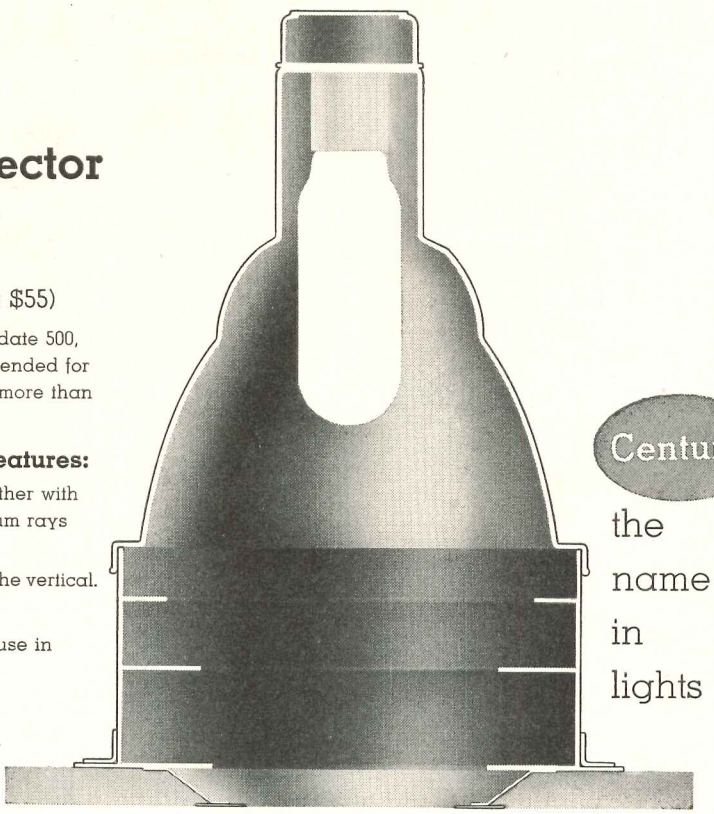

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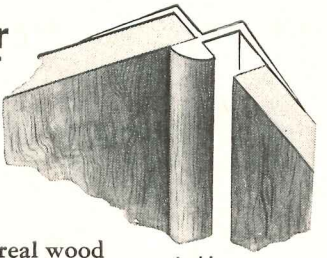

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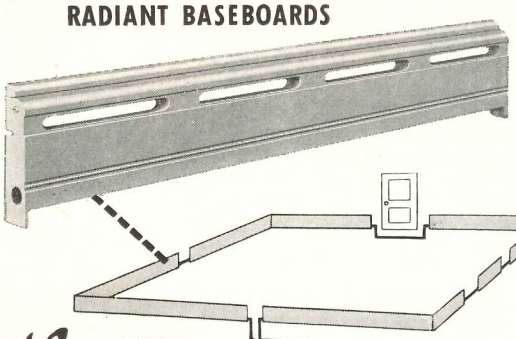

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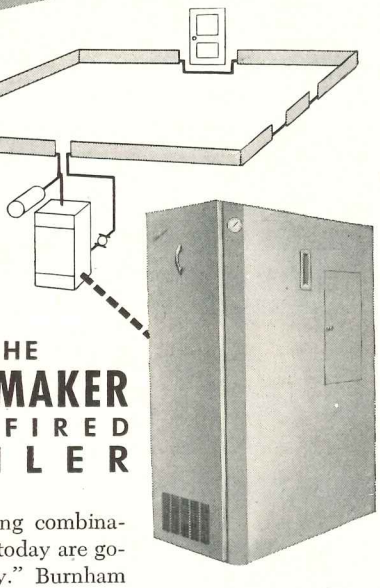

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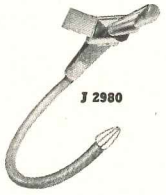


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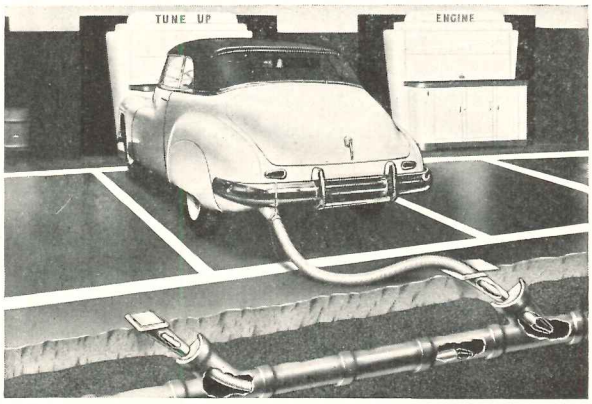


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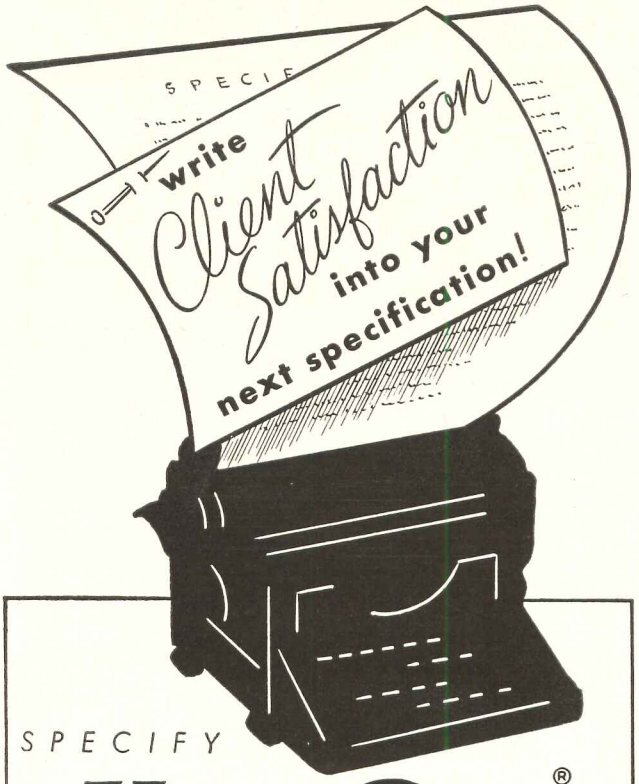


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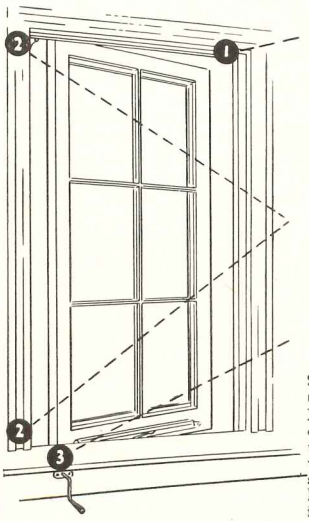

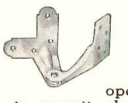

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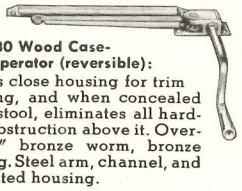

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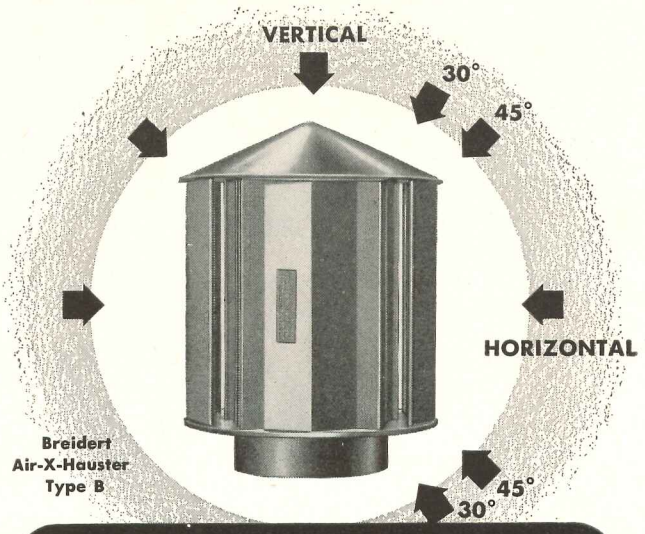


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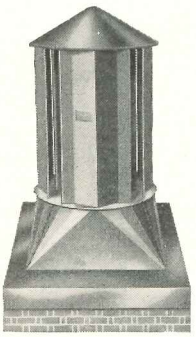

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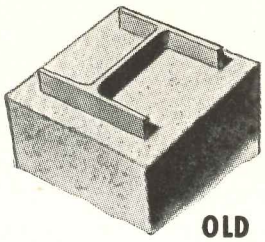

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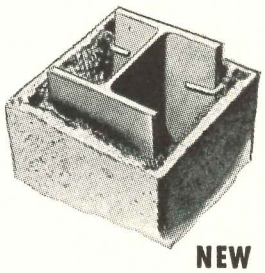

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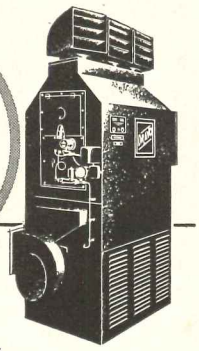

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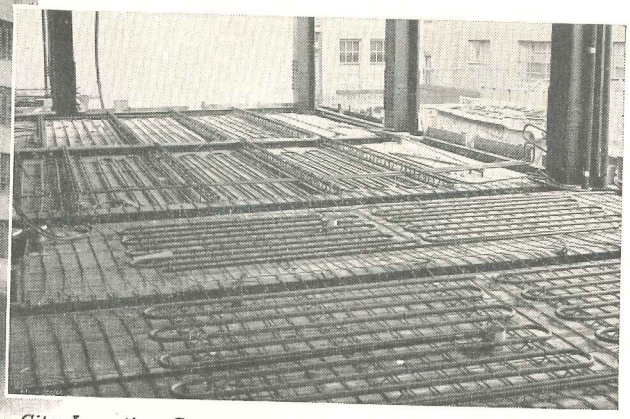

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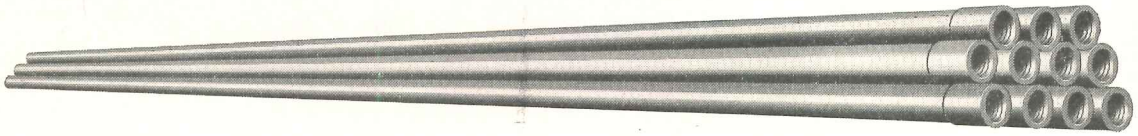

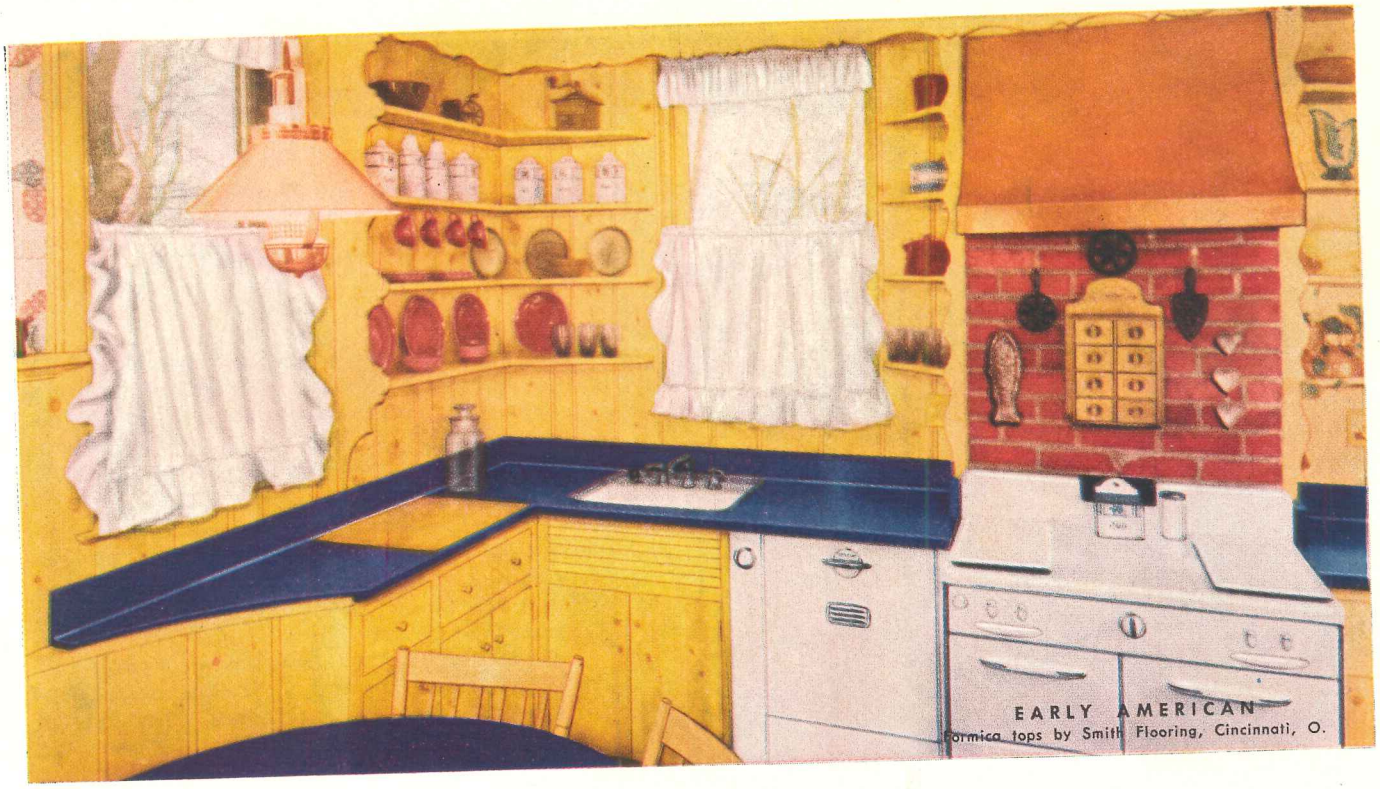


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