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The Day of Doing

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As the story goes, the client agreed and the architect set about his work with his creative powers all nicely untrammeled. Yes, and the result was one of the most photographed of architectural executions. There must have been clients like that among the great patrons of feudal times. The architect was given his head, and could extend himself freely to please his master. If he didn't please him, presumably, the master might have his head on a platter. But such were the risks of the times.

We had a recent opportunity to speculate on the relations of an architect and his patron client of more recent times, say at the turn of the century. We in this instance is my wife and I, spending a long week end with wealthy friends, seeing how the other one tenth of one per cent lives. Our hosts were ushered into this world about at the beginning of the century, and the silver spoon was solid gold. They were raised to be wealthy, in fact carefully trained as the good old idle rich. Father was founder of one of the dynasties of business, patriarch, benefactor. He was frequently a client of architects, and no doubt a magnanimous one. Father is long gone, and the picture of him as client is drawn only by inference.

On our week end, architecture was rarely discussed. It gradually dawned on us that these dear people never talked about anything but money and the people who had it. Names, famous names, were dropped just all day long. We began, in private, to do little parodies. "I had lunch that day with Mr. Rest." And then the inevitable parenthesis: "You know, he was one of the Beauty Rest people." "One of my oldest friends was Mr. Bones; his great grandfather, you know, was the Bones of Skull and Cross Bones. They made their money at sea, many, many years ago."

My wife tried to break into this stream of subconscious snobbery. She told them about a cocktail party; she dropped the names of at least two very famous architects. This conversational gambit went out into space and fell dead. They had never heard of these architects. Stanford White had done the living room in the big house, yes. And an architect was soon to be called, "the man who is to redo the kitchen." But nothing more about architects. We tried some other areas of doing, with the same result. Having was the thing, not achieving.

It must have been the mention of White that set me to speculating as to how an architect might fare. Not an architect of modern persuasion; but any architect of any time. I got a clue from their conversation about a doctor, a benighted individual who for some reason could not be drawn into civilized conversation. "It is so strange. I told him once, Mildred, about your latest cruise. I said, 'You know, Mildred is leaving tomorrow on a wonderful cruise.' And all he said was 'Indeed.' Really, I don't understand him at all." Clearly the good doctor was not to be possessed. Maybe he had other patients, if not other patrons.

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The awards will be presented to 13 architectural firms at local meetings of the American Institute of Architects. Photographs of the winning buildings are shown on these pages, with the exception of the unfinished Red Bud High School Coliseum, Red Bud, Ga., designed by Clarence H. Glass, Decatur, Ga. Twelve buildings were cited. Two architectural firms received awards for the Bloomington High School Gymnasium.

Photographs were submitted for nomination by A.I.S.C. engineers throughout the country and winners selected by an A.I.S.C. Committee on Awards which included: Mervyn G. Gaskin, Taylor & Goshen, Inc., Detroit; Clyde G. Conley, Mt. Vernon Bridge Co., Mt. Vernon, Ohio; C. P. Watson, Louisville Bridge & Iron Co., Louisville, Ky.; and T. R. Higgins, Director of Research and Engineering for A.I.S.C.

2. Episcopal Church of Our Saviour, Baltimore, Md.; architects: Cochran, Stephenson and Wing, Baltimore. General contractor, Consolidated Engineering Co., Inc.


Winners in the Second Annual Architects Competition sponsored by the Mastic Tile Corporation of America have been announced. A continuation of last year’s project, the design of a middle-income housing development, (Sept. 1959, pages 14-15) the 1960 program challenged architects to design for a 295-acre site “an educational and recreational ‘plant’ for the use of everyone in the community, with educational facilities for approximately 5500 students. Entries were to show master plan and details of jr. high school.

EDUCATION AND RECREATION: THEME FOR SECOND ANNUAL MASTIC TILE COMPETITION

Grand prize ($10,000): Entry of Edward Colbert and Alfred J. Petrilli. Jury cited “total plan ... relationship, scale of buildings ... sense of educational community, including scientific aspects (atomic reactor) ... air of reality ... awareness of revolution occurring in American education”

Second prize ($5000): Entry of Edwin F. Harris, Jr. “Accent is on building design ... Most interesting besides intriguing roof is that buildings were conceived in terms of large space module ... Interesting vistas, covered space make it a pleasant place to go to school”
Professional adviser to the $25,000 competition was A. Gordon Lorimer, A.I.A. The jury panel was headed by Henry L. Kamphoefner, F.A.I.A., Dean of the School of Design at North Carolina State College. Other members were: Harry J. Carman, Dean Emeritus of Columbia College, New York; William W. Caudill, A.I.A.; John Lyon Reid, F.A.I.A.; and Eberle M. Smith, A.I.A.

The competition was divided into two categories: professional and student. The jury considered 138 qualified entries: 100 professional and 38 from students. Shown on these pages are professional grand, second and third prize winners. In addition, the following professionals won $500 merit awards: John V. Sheoris, A.I.A., Israel Stein and Robert F. Lindsey; J. Byers Hays, Harry J. Roberts, Joseph A. Poch, H. David Howe of Hays & Ruth; Peter Tarapata, A.I.A. and Charles H. McMahon Jr., A.I.A.; Richard Saul Wurman and Alan Levy; John V. McPherson, Jack H. Swing, Robert L. Amico, George Albers, of McPherson-Swing & Associates.

The winner of the first student prize of $2000 is also shown. Second and third prizes of $1000 and $500 and the four merit awards of $250 each went to the following: Richard M. Foose, Columbia University School of Architecture (second); Richard C. Marcantonio, Pratt Institute (third); and (merit)—Frederic E. Melby, University of Minnesota; Minoru Takeyama and Ozdemir Erginsav, Harvard Graduate School of Architecture; John M. Ellis, M.I.T.; and James S. Daley, Oklahoma State University.

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The project was the Administration Building, first in the prospective 10-year building plan for the Kentucky Spindletop Research Center, which will house a Research Institute for the University of Kentucky and an Industrial Park for private research facilities.

Jurors for the competition, which was approved by the American Institute of Architects, were: John Noble Richards, of Toledo, A.I.A. past president; Ralph Rapson, head of the School of Architecture at the University of Minnesota; and Samuel T. Hurst, dean of architecture at Auburn (Ala.) University. Professional Adviser was Prof. Charles P. Graves, head of the Department of Architecture at the University of Kentucky.

As to future State competitions, Kentucky officials will weigh the results of the Spindletop competition and, “depending on the advantages which may become apparent as the Administration building project moves into the construction phase,” may consider the same method of selecting architecture for state-constructed buildings.

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The Editor
Architectural Record

May I differ a bit from my good friend, Ed Barnes, in what he had to say about home furnishings in "Record Houses of 1960." I think his view is a bit impractical on some points and typical of that segment of modern designers who have tried to strip domestic architecture of its warmth, feeling, comfort and appeal to the imagination. Their hard, slick, smooth, uncomfortable angles and planes contribute little or nothing to physical well being and nothing at all to the spirit. Man cannot live by drab practicality alone!

He says, "We are building bedrooms just big enough to sleep in and dining rooms just big enough to eat in and living rooms just big enough for a fireplace." The antidotes he prescribes for what he later calls "confined modern space" are immovable pedestals, instead of beds; single support tables "canted up from the floor"; "more sunken seating wells around fireplaces"; and "modular coordination."

Is it entirely impractical, in these days, for the average home owner to dream of possessing a home with rooms of sufficient size to permit the use of comfortable furniture that can occasionally be moved about to create fresh arrangements? Can he no longer dream of using his bedroom as a private sitting room or his children using theirs as a playroom or study? And how about his wife? Making a bed on a pedestal is a bit more of a chore than doing the same job on a bed you can move about. Is he, also, to banish forever, the thought of family Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, because the dining room comes only in one size and, presumably, the family does too?

If "floor space is at a premium," it is going to take something other than "modular coordination" to provide more of it. The suggestion that "our floor plane can actually dissolve into a series of steps and platforms" does not offer much practical help, when we consider the complexity of construction and additional cost inherent in the idea. Neither does it seem compatible with the general idea of a "harem interior," which the speaker favored. A bit further along he says, "If we are not able to sit on the floor, then the floor can rise up to meet us." Well, before it does, I think I shall depart for outer space.

I do not agree that this kind of thinking "leaves us with absolutely wonderful space." It's going to take a lot more than that to give the average American family something better than a 12-by-14 ft living room, 8-by-9 ft bedrooms and the Spartan austerity that some architects and builders provide.

Mr. Barnes says, "It is so easy to add, and so hard to subtract." Let us then add enough space to the house so it will no longer be true that "even if the buyer owns the furniture, frequently there is no room for it." Then tables and chairs can continue to have four legs (as they have had for quite some time) and we won't have to have the "fairly stiff chairs with squarish lines," and slab sofas, or "a stiff chair (that) is good for your back."

Must we sacrifice the warmth and comfort of our homes; the "clutter" that is sometimes nothing more than the product of children's play or adult home activity, in order to "recede into a quiet architectural background?" Is that what house and home have to become in the space age? If it is, it bears at least a passing resemblance to the place where all lines are hard, straight and clean, where chairs are built in and stiff, where tables have pedestals instead of legs, where the wall serves as a support for the bed, the closets have standard drawers, and lethal wires are all safely tucked away—our shiny new state prisons.

I agree that for the average client, "we must give him space and furnishings that work together, not close him in but rather give a sense of calm." It will take architects and furniture designers of imagination and creativity and ingenuity, if we are to do it. Julian H. Salomon, A.S.L.A. 
Landscape Architect
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ON ARCHITECTURE FOR A MAN AND HIS CAR

The Editor
Architectural Record

In reviewing the July issue which under its Building Types Study takes in motor hotels, I could not help but be struck by a most unusual American phenomenon as represented in some of the new motels which are anticipated in architect's drawings.

From earliest days man always needed, aside from wife and family, another creature to act as sort of alter ego. At first, it would seem that it was a man and his dog, later in civilization it was a man and his horse (especially if we are to believe our television screen). In the last century it has become a man and his car. It seems that man has become almost inseparable from his mechanical steed. This love of a man for a car has practically ruined most of the downtown areas of cities throughout our country. This phenomenon is about to create some of the most ridiculous architectural solutions imaginable. At long last in the San Francisco Hilton Hotel, a man will lovingly drive his car up ten stories so that he can have the mystifying pleasure of sleeping next to his car.

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Gropius Receives German Grand Architectural Prize

Dr. Walter Gropius was awarded the German Grand State Prize of Architecture, given by the Minister President of Rhineland Westphalen, Dr. Meyers in the Academy of Arts, Dusseldorf in July. The Award read: "The comprehensive community of the Fine and Applied Arts united by him in the Bauhaus has set an example of how to renew the integration of all design. . . . His architectural work, his thoughts, and his teachings have found acceptance throughout the world illuminating the German sphere through his personal participation and counsel."

Lawrence Appointed Dean at Tulane School of Architecture

John W. Lawrence has been appointed Dean of the School of Architecture and Professor of Architecture at Tulane University. He succeeds the late John Ekin Dinwiddie, who died last September.

A member of the faculty of the School of Architecture at Tulane since 1949, Mr. Lawrence has taught Design at all levels of the undergraduate curriculum. Concurrently he has been engaged in private architectural practice, a partner in the firm of Lawrence and Saunders.

Dean of Architecture at R.I.S.D. is DuMoulin

The new head of the department of architecture at the Rhode Island School of Design is Rockwell K. DuMoulin, associate professor of Architecture.

Mr. DeMoulin will also serve as Acting Chairman of the Division of Architecture for 1960-61 during the absence of Albert E. Simonson, who plans a research visit to Japan on a sabbatical leave.

Second World Conference on Earthquake Engineering

Japan, home of more than 1000 minor earthquakes a year, where myth has it that a playful underground catfish is the cause, was host in July for the Second World Conference on Earthquake Engineering. Participants in this world-wide effort toward mitigating earthquake disaster through an interchange of ideas and knowledge were scientists and engineers from 27 countries, including the USSR, Rumania, East Germany, and the Republic of China (Formosa).

The United States delegation included Professor George W. Housner of the California Institute of Technology, president of the Earthquake Engineering Research Institute. The E.E.R.I. originated the First World Conference on Earthquake Engineering four years ago in Berkeley, Cal. Sponsored by the Science Council of Japan, the Seismological Society of Japan, the Japan Society of Civil Engineers, and the Architectural Institute of Japan, the conference heard a total of 118 technical papers. These were grouped into five classifications: the relation of soil and foundation conditions to the earthquake problem; analysis of structural response and instruments; seismic and earthquake ground motion; earthquake resistant design, construction and regulations; and recent strong motion quakes and resultant damage.

A statement by John Rinne of Standard Oil of California, chairman of the committee of cooperation with Japanese conference organizers, can be said to express a general conclusion of the conference. He said: "Engineered design and construction can provide reasonably earthquake-resistant structures with most of the construction material used or available throughout the world."

Conference proceedings are being published in a three-volume set and can be purchased at $17.00 a set, including postage, from the Intelligence Section, Science Council of Japan, Ueno Park, Taito-ku, Tokyo. More news on page 62

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Gallion Leaves U.S.C.
Burge New Acting Dean

Arthur B. Gallion, former Dean of the School of Architecture at the University of Southern California, has been appointed director of planning for the Honolulu office of Harland Bartholomew & Associates, city planning and civil engineering firm with headquarters in St. Louis, Mo.

A Fellow of the American Institute of Architects and member of the American Institute of Planners, Gallion served at U.S.C. as vice president of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture.

Succeeding him at U.S.C. is Henry Charles Burge, A.I.A., as Acting Dean. Mr. Burge is a U.S.C. graduate and a member of the architectural faculty since 1945.

Opportunity for Architects, Artists to Study Abroad

Young American architects and artists have an opportunity to study abroad in 1961-62 under the Department of State's educational exchange program. Awards under the Fulbright Act, are given for study in Europe, Latin America, and the Asia-Pacific area. They cover tuition, maintenance, and travel for one academic year.

Requirements are U.S. citizenship, a Bachelor's degree or its professional equivalent (for an architect, an architectural degree), language ability to meet the demands of the proposed study project, and good health. Preference is given to applicants under 35 years of age.

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Claude B. Riemersma, national sales manager of ARCHITECTURAL RECORD and a member of its sales staff for 23 years, died unexpectedly of a heart attack July 12 at his home in Chicago. He was 53.

Mr. Riemersma, who had been advertising manager for Crane Company in Chicago before coming to the

University Research Center Headed by Kinne

William S. Kinne Jr., former professor of architecture at Illinois University, industrial architectural advisor, has been named director of the University Facilities Research Center located on the campus of the University of Wisconsin. The Center was established to spur cooperation of Western Conference Universities and University of Chicago in programs for building facilities.

Cummings Named Consultant To Building Code Commission

George Bain Cummings of Binghamton, N.Y., a past president of the American Institute of Architects and former vice chairman of the New York State Building Code Commission, has been named Division of Housing building code consultant. He will study, recommend methods to improve administration of services provided to cities by the Division's state Building Code Bureau.

Ten top students out of 18 in the 1960 graduating class of Columbia University's School of Architecture received William Kinne Fellows Memorial Traveling Fellowships which finance six months abroad for graduate study and publishable research. They are: seated (left to right) Peter D. Eisenman, New York; Lewis Dale Booher, Iowa Park, Tex.; Henry H. J. Heissenbuttel, New York; Robert J. Badia, New York; and Frank B. Hollenbeck, Wilton, Conn. Standing (left to right) Armando Vargas, Puerto Rico; John H. Crowther, Mystic, Conn.; Nelson T. Nordquist, New York; Alexander Kouzmanoff, associate professor of architecture and member of Fellowship Committee; and James G. Van Derpool, Acting Dean of the School of Architecture.
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BACKGROUND PAPER FOR CONFERENCE ON AGING
SEES TODAY'S DESIGN TRENDS AS PROBLEM

The new background paper on housing, prepared under direction of the committee on housing for the White House Conference on Aging in January, is crammed with statements which challenge architects.

The point is made, for example, that much of the housing presently being built and projected for construction will not serve adequately the needs of elderly persons. The split-level variety with narrow doorways and small bedrooms, with stairs at entrances, and with such meager space for circulation as to preclude continued occupancy by persons of advanced age, particularly the infirm, was noted as one of the problems in consideration of future shelter.

The White House Conference on Aging will be held in Washington January 9 through 12. Authorized by Congress, it will study 20 subject-matter areas, of which one is housing. Like similar conferences on current problems, this is being preceded by local and state meetings and the background paper is being used by these pre-conference sessions to stimulate thinking on all aspects of shelter for older people.

Nelson Heads Housing Unit

Walter C. Nelson, Minneapolis, president of the Mortgage Bankers Association of America, is chairman of the conference's housing committee and Walter K. Vivrette, Minneapolis architect, is technical director for housing, with his headquarters in the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

The background document carries no recommendations but pointedly sets out existing conditions, achievements in and out of government, and the pressing need for a look at techniques for housing aging persons adequately.

There is this statement in the section on improving the quality of such housing: "While our efforts to increase the supply of housing for the elderly will serve to improve the quantity of housing generally, much of our discussion will center upon the standards of housing and its suitability to the particular needs of the elderly. It goes without saying that generally rising standards of living in the United States should apply across the board to all individuals regardless of age. Certainly as successive generations of the aged appear, they will demand standards of housing comparable to those to which they were accustomed in earlier years."

Basic Criteria Listed

Discussing emerging objectives in the field, the report states that the house or apartment, to fulfill its purpose for independent living in later years, faces these criteria:

1. It must be as good if not better than the individual's customary living quarters of earlier years.
2. It must be suitable to the conditions of failing health and illness frequently observed.
3. It must also have maximum adaptability to the less frequently observed conditions of illness, disability, and convalescence.
4. It must contribute to continuing rehabilitation of the individual.

"Much of the available housing does not fulfill such objectives," the paper comments. "Some of its shortcomings can be overcome by minor adjustments or remodeling, but more generally, barring some outside help, these shortcomings will continue on into the years because of the habits and reduced energy which are characteristic of old age."

What Do Old People Need?

In its section on physiological and socio-physiological needs, the document gets down to some more specific treatment of the architectural applications in the design of housing for the elderly.

On light—We do know that most people intuitively seek sunlight. They also recognize the value of proper artificial illumination, for as eyesight begins to fail, inadequate illumination may adversely affect not only efficiency but also mental and physical health. The light intensity for reading required by the older person is higher than that required by the student in school; the source and distribution of this light must properly relate brightness contrasts within his line of vision. Similarly, both in the home and in the institution, the older person needs control of the brightness contrast among the several spaces through which he moves—from room to hall, and from hall to room.

On sound—While excessive noise is disturbing, excessive quiet can be even more disturbing, particularly if the individual's sight is poor and he must depend on hearing for his cues. With loss of hearing, he may desire increased volume from his radio or TV; and unless he is living in isolation, such intensity of sound must not be allowed to annoy those about him.

On air—Some of the general reactions of the aging person as they pertain to the air about him have been observed: a desire for greater warmth and freedom from drafts; an inability to tolerate extremes of heat or cold; and a concern about air pollution and excessive humidity or dryness as they relate to comfort and range of toleration.

On hazard control—Resilient nonslippery floors, or at best floors with only the slightest coat of wax can be substituted for highly polished wood or terrazzo; scatter rugs and scattered furniture can be removed from circulation paths; unnecessary stairs and changes of level can be avoided in the design of housing; control of drafts and rain at entrances can be achieved without a four-to-six-inch-high step at doors, and even without a "tripping" threshold; bathroom accessories, towel bars, curtain rods, soap dishes and grab bars can be in

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New Housing for Elderly Program Launched by HHFA

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Under the program, loans may be insured where they do not represent more than 98 per cent of the total development cost, and interest charges are expected to be approximately three and one half per cent.

To be eligible for insurance, the loans may be made only to private nonprofit corporate sponsors of rental housing for elderly families and persons. The housing and related facilities may be provided through new construction or through the acquisition and rehabilitation or conversion of existing structures. Construction must be undertaken in an economical manner and may not be of elaborate or extravagant design or materials, HHFA said.

Because the primary purpose of the program is to test and report promptly on the rent levels which can be achieved under varying conditions, HHFA said that selection will be made from otherwise eligible applications in a way to assure an objective test of (1) projects built in widely scattered locations throughout the country; (2) projects located both in large cities and smaller cities and towns; and (3) projects designed for independent or self-contained occupancy, along with those designed for congregate living.

HHFA also said that other significant elements of design, planning, and location which give promise of providing useful information and experience on the most effective means of meeting the housing needs of lower middle-income elderly persons and families will be weighed in selecting from eligible applicants and projects.

FAA Issues Revised Guide On Airport Construction

Publication of a revised edition of "Standard Specifications for Construction of Airports" has been announced by the Federal Aviation Agency. (Copies can be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. at $2.75 per copy.)

The specifications apply in the construction of civil airports and particularly projects sponsored under the Federal airport aid program, FAA said.

The new 599-page book updates the last edition published in 1949 and contains valuable information for guidance in the preparation of plans and specifications for airport construction. Covered in the publication is such work as clearing, grubbing, grading, drainage, paving, lighting, turfing and incidental construction.

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Original works of art are being sent to United States Embassies abroad from more than 50 museums of this country under a new plan organized by the International Council of the Museum of Modern Art. This new "Art in Embassies" project was initiated to make art works available for our ambassadors' and foreign service officers' residences for the purpose of representing American creative achievements and of demonstrating this country's interest in the visual arts.

On a loan basis for at least one year, the first shipment of paintings arrived in May in Germany, where the paintings have been installed in the official residences in Bonn and Berlin of U.S. Ambassador and Mrs. Walter Dowling. U.S. Embassies in Brazil, Egypt, Iceland, Peru, Portugal and Spain have shown interest in obtaining paintings and sculpture under the plan.

The project is being carried out by the Department of Circulating Exhibitions of the Museum of Modern Art under the direction of Porter McCray. Among the museums and galleries which have agreed to lend works are: Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa.; The Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D. C.; William A. Farnsworth Library and Art Museum, Rockland, Maine; Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, Pa.; The Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, N. Y.; The Columbus Gallery of Fine Arts, Columbus, Ohio; and The Downtown Gallery, New York, N. Y.

The original impetus for the cultural project was given by Mrs. L. Corrin Strong when she and her husband went to Norway on his appointment there in 1953. At her request a number of art works were lent by the Museum of Modern Art and other collectors. The success of this experiment led to the present plan.

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MOTELS, HOTELS, RESTAURANTS AND BARS. F. W. Dodge Corporation, 119 W. 40th St., New York 18, 327 pp., illus. $9.75.

This is the second edition of this book, considerably larger than the edition of seven years ago. Much of the material has been reprinted from ARCHITECTURAL RECORD studies on motel and hotel design, but some is altogether new, notably RECORD editor William Dudley Hunt's article on motels. This constitutes in effect a check list of the questions, if not always the answers, which must be faced in motel design: location and site selection, with reference both to existing services and to eventual drawing power; site planning, and parking facilities; programming, in terms of size and number of units, and planning, in terms of sleeping units and of ancillary facilities; construction, mechanical services and furnishings; and costs.

The book also contains articles on various aspects of planning hotels and restaurants, presentations of buildings in photographs and plans, and engineering articles on acoustics, air conditioning and ventilating.

Good Design in Dixie


The major breakthrough in public recognition and acceptance of good contemporary architecture all over the South since World War II is well documented in this handsomely presented book. Such a book has certainly been needed to solidly demonstrate the quality and quantity of contemporary work in the region.

It is perhaps ironic that the timing of a collection of "Southern" architecture pretty well coincides with the disappearance of most vestiges of regionalism. The authors themselves find that "It is hard, if not impossible, to find any such influence except in the pseudo-neo-Georgian, neo-Charlestonian, neo-Orleansean eclectic buildings." These continue to be built in the South, as elsewhere.

The result is that the book, in the essays which introduce the six sections, takes a general tone which is not particularly Southern, except in the explicit historical allusions. It becomes a piece of the mainstream of architectural development—which is as it should be.

It is a little regrettable that the segment of the U. S. selected to cover in the book (below the Mason-Dixon Line, west to the Mississippi) somewhat arbitrarily lops off most of Louisiana, and all of Arkansas and Texas. They certainly belong in the picture, and such centers as Little Rock and Shreveport are producing some vigorous, top-drawer work.

Beginning with a brief and descriptive history of Southern architecture, with a dip into comments on Wright and the Chicago School, and Mies and the Bauhaus, the book presents sections on houses, schools, community and institutional buildings, and commercial and industrial buildings. Each building is shown with the usual case study type presentation. The book concludes with a section called "Trends and Purposes" showing some of the more "radical" buildings, along with some pictures of the TVA.

The text seems mainly slanted to the profession, and to students, and does some gentle chiding and urging on to better things. The buildings shown include both the work of Southern architects and others who have built in the South. All in all, it does a good job of selection, reporting, and placing the South of today into perspective with the national scene.

—Herbert L. Smith Jr.

The Baroque Interpreted


It is rather unfortunate that this book should appear at the same time as Rudolph Wittkower's Art and Architecture in Italy 1600-1750; for, while it cannot claim the complete-ness and depth of scholarship of Professor Wittkower's study, it certainly deserves independent consideration.

Mr. Lees-Milne's approach is essentially subjective, both in his choice of material and in the manner in which he analyzes it. He considers the Baroque as an artistic concept rather than as an historical period, and finds it "an essentially religious manifestation, Catholic and primarily Roman."

There are, of course, dangers in a selective and speculative method. The reader may find himself wondering if, in fact, the plan of Borromini's St. Ivo does follow the contour of a bee with folded wings, or whether the Erectheum can be considered Baroque in any sense of the word whatever. He will nevertheless find this work an intelligent and readable introduction to the subject. The book is of normal size and weight, the illustrations are well-chosen and they and the notes are integrated with the text, which facts alone should commend this volume to the general reader.

The Modern Church in Evolution

KIRCHENBAU. By Reinhard Gieselmann and Werner Aebli. Verlag Gir-berger, Kirchgasse 40, Zürich, Switzerland. 160 pp., illus. Approx. $7 (28.50 Swiss francs).

The reaction of the English-speaking reader of this small and exceptionally good-looking book is likely to be one of frustration. Although the English summary is interesting and suggestive, one of the things it suggests is that the non-reader of German is missing a great deal, for the summary clearly covers only the highlights of what must be a uniformly interesting and suggestive text. It is additionally frustrating, for the non-reader of German, to have to forego the authors' discussions of individual churches.

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tecture: from the "first experiment" (neoclassicism), through the second experiment (eclecticism), the third experiment (emphasizing the "process of industrialization," and exemplified by Notre-Dame-du-Raincy), the fourth experiment (characterized by purity in form and in use of materials), to the fifth, and current, experiment (a break away from the rectangular plan and an aspiration toward "active forms of space," as in Aalto's church at Imatra, or Wright's at Madison). Changing esthetics is not the only factor considered; changing views of the Church's place in the community, and of its function, are also covered.

Buonarroti Biography


This biography is relatively brief and readable (though it must be a continuing source of sorrow to art historians that paintings are so much more fun to write about than to read about), and serves as a useful introduction to the art as well as the life of Michelangelo. To those whose readings in Renaissance art history have progressed very far, it will be of less service, and architects will find that the master's architecture gets short shrift.

Romanesque and Early Gothic


The latest in the publishers' series "Buildings of Europe," this book covers Romanesque architecture as far west as Ireland and far east as Dalmatia. The text is a straightforward and sufficiently detailed description of the chronological and regional developments of Romanesque building, including transitional and early Gothic, and makes no attempt to gild the lily—the lily in continued on page 372
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1960 awards in the annual A.I.A. journalism competition were presented to representatives of Time Magazine, The Nation, and Horizon Magazine. First prize in the journalism competition went to Grady Clay, real estate editor of the Louisville Courier, for an article on architecture which ran in Horizon.

Stein Gets Howard Medal

Clarence Stein, F.A.I.A., New York, was awarded the Howard Medal for "distinguished contribution" to the advancement of city planning. The medal was awarded by the British Town and Country Planning Association.

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Hering Memorial Awards

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Architect and sculptor recipients of the awards in the Ecclesiastical category were: for Loyola Seminary, House of Studies, Shrub Oak, New York (completed in 1955)—Voorhees, Walker Smith Smith & Haines, architects; and Donald De Lue, Gleb Derujinsky, Henry Kreis, Joseph Kisielewski, Oronzo Maladeraelli, and Carl L. Schmitz, sculptors.

In the Monumental category, the following were honored for the Normandy American Memorial, St. Laurent-sur-Mer, France: Harbeson Hough Livingston & Larson, architects and Donald De Lue, sculptor.

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Giants' new home is Powered-Up for maximum nighttime “playability”

San Francisco's Giants racked up a 3 to 1 victory to open their season and inaugurate their new home in the West, Candlestick Park—one of the finest baseball stadiums in America.

Candlestick Park is a massive concrete structure that has an air of being weightless and soaring. Utilizing precast and prestressed beams and supports, the stadium consists of two tiers of seats (some radiant heated) that provide maximum “seeability” for 45,000 fans—with the upper deck topped by a unique wind baffle. To challenge the teams, foul lines extend 335 feet, and it's 420 feet straight from home plate to the fence. A giant scoreboard not only keeps tabs on the game in progress but also on action in both major leagues. A press, radio and loge-seat mezzanine, dressing rooms, refreshment areas and an 8700-car parking lot complete the impressive installation.

The careful attention applied to the architectural design and construction extends to the electrical distribution system serving the stadium. To give the field maximum “playability” at night, 1147 1500-watt Westinghouse floodlights make this one of the best-lighted baseball diamonds in the country. Included in the electrical system are eight power centers (one for each lighting tower), master lighting control panel, individual lighting panelboards, dry-type transformer, motor (cont.)

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Giants' new home (cont.)
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Harvard's new theater is such a mechanical marvel that many people who would otherwise care may not notice that it is first rate architecture first of all. When the curtain goes up this October for the theater's opening performance, 600 spectators will sit around the three sides of a projecting Elizabethan apron type stage, watching Harvard's extra-curricular drama group in a production of Shakespeare's Titus and Cressida. The audience's position in relation to the stage, and the position and shape of the stage itself will be only one of three basic arrangements which are chosen in terms of their suitability to the play to be performed. Two stage hands can manipulate electrically driven components to transform the theater within fifteen minutes to the traditional proscenium type stage and seating of the Broadway theater, or to the theater-in-the-round arrangement frequently used in the off-Broadway experimental theater. There is much additional maneuverability within these three basic systems. This flexibility at Harvard's new center should encourage a great development in the arts of the theater and lovers of the drama have every right to be excited, but those who also love architecture will be rewarded by a good look at the building itself.

To take its place politely in a setting of small scale, predominantly residential buildings, the Loeb Drama Center had to conceal its great bulk. The site itself was small, costs had to be kept down and therefore the building could not spread in small units. An adequate stage tower must be a high, wide and deep element, often difficult to compose, and the drama center required many square feet of auxiliary space for classrooms, offices, workrooms and a rehearsal and tryout room with the same floor area as the working stage space. A compact, skillfully or-
Drama Center for Harvard

Lobby overlooking terrace

Joseph W. Molitor

Bush hammered concrete and red brick contrast with aluminum sun screen
dered solution allowed a generous portion of the site to be developed as a garden entered from the lobby. The stage tower is set as far back from the street as possible to minimize its apparent bulk (see plot plan), and the height of the auditorium is concealed by the surrounding two-story element into which the smaller spaces are fitted.

The building not only works well, but it is handsome in the way that a theater should be. Before design began architect Stubbins and the theater's directors agreed on their objective stated as follows in an early report: "... though the theater must be beautiful, its builders must also remember that the play's the thing. The building must not be so architecturally exciting and excited, as building, that the plays produced in it will be overshadowed by their frame. On the contrary, the auditorium should please the imagination in such a way as to release it, not captivate it. Certain museums and art galleries recently erected as monuments to their architects make the reminder necessary."
Two level tryout room exterior
Drama Center for Harvard

Main façade

Entrance
Theater designer George C. Izenour has devoted his career to developing the mechanical and electronic systems which make convertible theaters possible, but this is the first one to be constructed. The Harvard theater uses his electronically controlled winch system which moves along a grid in the flies, raising and lowering and positioning flats according to a pre-set pattern. Izenour's pre-set lighting system is also used.
1. Stage framed by proscenium with seats beyond is traditional type
2. Platform seating moved about pivot points on hydraulic controlled motorized wheels to opposite walls, side panels folded back, apron stage raised by hydraulic pistons to 3 ft above floor to level of stage. Remaining seats in auditorium are fixed. This is the Elizabethan type stage
3. Proscenium raised providing the full 60-ft width needed to swing platform seating to position on stage then lowered. Complete stage extension raised by hydraulic pistons. Side panels positioned to screen actors' entrances and exits. Fixed seats complete arrangement for partial theater-in-the-round. Complete theater-in-the-round was rejected by designers who feel that actors' entrances and exits should not be made through the audience

Lighting raft suspended below the auditorium ceiling is a screen for stage lighting. It also provides the proper acoustical properties required at the ceiling level

Stage and seating arranged for proscenium type performance. Cyclorama at rear will have movable side extensions to make a curved enclosure
Drama Center for Harvard

Lobby off main foyer. Coat hangers were designed by architects.

Secondary lobby faces side street and smaller garden.
BUILDINGS FOR WORSHIP

Shown here: Westchester Reform Temple, Scarsdale, N. Y.

Three notable religious buildings that possess in common the attribute of good design; while each maintains, as well, the integrity of its own visual expression through the influences of form, structure, and material
Sanctuary Plan In A New (But Old) Shape

Westchester Reform Temple
LOCATION: Scarsdale, New York
ARCHITECT: William W. Landsberg
DESIGN CONSULTANT: Marcel Breuer, F.A.I.A.
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS: Bye & Herrmann
STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Wiesenfeld, Hayward & Leon
MECHANICAL ENGINEERS: Gussow & Skidmore
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The sanctuary of this temple in suburban Westchester County is shaped in plan as a six-pointed Star of David. The resulting space becomes a religious symbol, is highly effective for a variety of uses, and holds considerable interest for its formal and functional conception—see plan, page 165, and accompanying caption. The star form also "reads" visually as one walks about the exterior of the building, and two of the exterior spaces created by the plan-shape serve respectively as sanctuary garden and entrance patio-garden.

The building is a simple bearing wall plus concrete slab-and-beam structure, finished on the exterior principally by whitewashed brick, with certain minor portions of sprayed stucco on block. The architect would have preferred field stone, but the budget would not permit its use.

The building consists of two principal elements; the star-shaped sanctuary—identifiable in the photos by its lacy, decorative upper fenestration—and an extended lower element that houses classrooms, social area and kitchen, administrative office, and rabbi's study. The temple at present serves a congregation of 275 families, a group expected to expand to 400. Provision for such expansion has been planned, and will consist of future additional classrooms as well as a large hexagonal-shaped social hall towards the rear of the plot. Space is provided in the basement of the present building for such youth activities as scouting, etc.
Beyond serving as religious symbol and intriguing esthetic idea, the Star of David-shaped sanctuary works extremely well for its intended uses. Each of the six pointed areas has a specific use, as does the total space when thrown open. The bema and altar form the focus for the interior and occupy one point; the entrance lobby opposite occupies another; the four remaining points—at the sides—can be closed off by floor-to-ceiling curtains to serve as classrooms. For the normal weekly attendance, the hexagonal-shaped central area functions as sanctuary, but during the High Holy days the entire space is used to accommodate the larger attendance. The architects explain that the floor-to-ceiling hangings further the tent—or tabernacle—idea; one of special significance in the Jewish faith, and related to the story of the flight through the wilderness.

Basically, this arrangement does not destroy the integrity or scale of a multi-use space in expanded form, which is so often the case in the more usual plan which adds, upon occasion, a large unintegrated area to the sanctuary for maximum seating. For good sight lines and more intimate contact with the speaker, the bema here extends forward into the central hexagon. For secular activities (lectures, concerts, etc.) a rolled-up screen of wood slats can be dropped from a ceiling recess to hide the Ark and choir loft, virtually transforming the space into an auditorium.

Color interest centers on the bema; the sanctuary having white walls, ice-blue ceiling, gray terrazzo floor, and dark oak pews designed by the architects. The bema carpeting is brilliant blue, the interior of the Ark a bright red-orange, brilliantly lighted.

Xanti Schavinsky designed the colored glass window to the left of the bema; the textile used for the sanctuary curtains was designed by Anni Albers.
The dynamic, reaching lift of the curvilinear pointed arches framing the nave of this church makes for an unusually moving interior. The laminated wood arches begin the visual surge with a slow curve and extended cross-section near eye-level, and then spring upward in a faster reverse curve and constantly tapering section to virtually disappear in the semi-darkness at the apex. There is, of course, nothing new in such a concept—as a visit to any 13th century Gothic cathedral will show—but here its expression in modern idiom is uncommonly effective, possessing an almost primitive vigor.

The award-winning church was designed for a congregation of 350, and its 52-ft-wide by 70 ft-long nave rises to an apex of 36 ft. The roof decking is of 4 by 6 T & G aromatic red cedar; the gable ends—both inside and out—are of vertical, rough-sawn redwood boards with battens. By way of contrast, the reredos wall and altar railing are of polished white oak. The Indiana limestone altar and oak altar furniture were designed by the architect.

Controlled lighting is supplied mainly by small floods and spots, and serves to focus attention on the crucifix and altar, leaving the peak of the nave in near-darkness. The continuous exterior base for the building is of beige brick, surmounted on each side of the nave by narrow bands of glazing immediately below the eave line. This arrangement provides sufficient light for the pews, but again, the natural illumination falls off as the roof climbs upward, contributing further to the total interior effect.
St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church

The rear (or east end) of the church is shown in the top picture: beige brick, vertical redwood boards, and fresh air intake grille. Next above, a view looking towards the rear of the nave, showing the choir loft over the entrance. The loft is supported by laminated wood beams and columns; its railing is composed of horizontally lapped redwood boards. Right, an interesting detail shot looking along the front wall toward the narthex porch and the brass church bell.
The twin rows of boxed-in, triangular trusses that shelter the nave of this church—poised as they are on single columns and joined only by a long, delicate web of skylight—build up a visual effect of dynamic balance; dramatic but not "stunty." If the trusses had been joined in conventional fashion and the skylight not placed at their meeting, the effect would have (continued)
St. Thomas-in-the-Fields

been lost, and the liveliness of the spatial impression missing. As it stands, this most interesting nave enclosure, together with the handling of its daylighting, create a rewarding space for worship. From the entrance point, the principal lines of the structure (and of the daylighting) lead one’s eye to the reredos wall, the altar, and the Christus Rex, which become the visual focus of the interior.

Natural lighting is thoughtfully handled: the truss soffits are pitched in such a manner that a flood of basic daylight enters from the long lines of clerestory sash; the skylight gathers and adds the brilliant “punch” light from the vault of the open sky; the all-glass (but shaded) entrance wall at the rear adds a balancing secondary glow.

The notable liturgical furnishings—designed by two sculptresses who are members of the congregation—contribute a note of vitality to the interior. Janet deCoux, who was responsible for the interior arrangement of the church, designed the altar, which is carved from a block of black diorite; as well as the Christus Rex, of carved maple mounted on a painted cross. Eliza Miller designed the pulpit and lectern, both made of pierced black iron with enamel backing; and also the baptismal font, which consists of an enamel bowl, brass finial, and walnut base.

The church, which was designed to seat 200, is located on a 10-acre plot, yet to be landscaped. The nave is 40 ft wide, 80 ft long, and the skylight is 20 ft above the floor. Total cost of the building was $130,000.
St. Thomas-in-the-Fields

MATERIALS AND FINISHES: top surface of the triangular steel trusses is covered with 5-ply built-up roofing on 2-in. gypsum plank supported by open-web steel joists; the truss soffits are clad with ¾-in. T & G cedar boards; the floor is exposed aggregate concrete; exterior and interior walls are of common brick; interior partitions are of wood studs, plastered; entrance doors and sash are aluminum; interior doors are flush wood; the heating system is gas fired.
All of the airports in this study are good examples of the methods currently being used by architects for solving the many problems of jet terminal building design. Some of these problems, such as passenger circulation, baggage handling, and the like are the same as they were for conventional aircraft. If there has been any change in these problems, it is one of magnification. Jets allow more people to be transported in less time than was possible before. Thus the numbers of people passing through airports are increasing rapidly. Their baggage is a greater problem, because there is more of it. Other problems are new and peculiar to jets and prop-jet aircraft. Among these, the most important to the architect are those brought about by increased noise, hazard from the blast, and jet fumes. An examination of the buildings in this study (and in the articles preceding it in the RECORD, in March and April 1960) will give some indication of the variety architects are giving to terminal designs. Though all of the examples shown seem to function effectively to a degree, the extreme variety would indicate that no one solution can be assumed correct. Further development seems to be on the way.
This airport design is based on the principle of expansion by multiplication of terminal buildings, rather than addition to one large building. The volume of the air traffic at Toronto has been increasing at a very high rate. Studies indicate that it will continue to do so. The design for this new airport for Toronto is based on this assumption. After study, the architects decided that a plan for a single air terminal which could be built now, yet retain the extreme flexibility needed for future expansion would leave much to be desired. Therefore, they discarded the traditional concept of a single building in favor of a complete terminal servicing a specified number of aircraft, this to be supplemented by other similar buildings when the traffic warrants. The architects call these buildings aeroquays. By adopting this concept, the possibility has been created for considerable expansion, limited only by the area available and airport operational problems. With the present master plan, up to four aeroquays may be constructed. They will surround a central administration and control building.

Each aeroquay will contain areas for all of the airline operational functions concerned with passengers, baggage, and aircraft servicing. Separate buildings will house the power plant, air conditioning equipment, administration, airways and airport control. Each aeroquay is an island, reached by grade-separated roadways. Each island contains its own automobile and pedestrian circulation system. Each has its own multi-level parking area. Passenger walking distances are shorter than is usual; maximum flexibility of movement for aircraft has been achieved; ground vehicular traffic on the ramp is kept to a minimum; passengers are protected from danger and annoyance; access and parking operations are efficient; snow removal from roads and aprons is fast and economical.
As may be seen in the views above and the site plan, each aeroquay is basically a multi-story building, composed of a rectangular core structure surrounded by an annular ring. Automobiles and other types of ground transportation approach the center structure underground via a grade-separated access driveway, then proceed up ramps to parking areas located, for the most part, on the upper floors. Elevators are provided in the center of the building for access to the passenger floors. The central structure houses, in addition to parking areas, various passenger and operational areas, including ticketing, baggage areas, concessions, customs and other government agencies, and airline operational areas. From here passengers may enter the annular ring which functions as a concourse, waiting area, and observation platform. Short fingers radiate out from the annular ring to the aircraft boarding stations. While these are one-story at present, provisions have been made for conversion to allow second level boarding.
As may be seen in the plans, the annular ring structure has four levels. The central building will have ten stories. The number of stories may be modified, as required, to provide the amount of parking needed. Enplaning passengers enter the building in their automobiles on the ground level, and proceed to the enplaning temporary parking area on the second floor or directly up the ramp to the upper story parking areas. From here, they may use the five large elevators to reach the enplaning level of the building. Ticket offices and various concessions catering to their needs are located on this level. Deplaning passengers enter the building from the fingers on the apron level. They may go directly to the baggage rooms or to concessions. Temporary parking for deplaning passenger ground transportation and private automobiles is provided. Elevators are available for reaching the upper level parking areas. All passenger areas of the building are air conditioned and sealed for passenger comfort and for protection against the noise and fumes of the jets. The building structure will be steel frame.
San Francisco is the fifth ranking air hub in the United States. It is one of the country's fastest growing airports. The buildings shown here have been planned to meet the present needs efficiently and allow for foreseeable expansion. The existing air terminal building was completed in 1949. It has facilities for handling more than 3 million passengers annually. Its design was based on an estimated volume of this number of passengers in 1960. In actuality, the volume had passed the 3 million passenger mark before 1957. When it became apparent that the airport would grow much faster than had been anticipated, the city engaged the Becket organization to make a master plan of the airport. The present layout is the result.

The master plan developed by the architects is based on the concept of decentralization of operational and passenger activities. The method used is the provision of a number of complete terminals, each serving a specific number of aircraft and passengers. The terminals are grouped around a central multi-story parking facility. The buildings are interconnected with covered, enclosed walkways and a two-level belt driveway running around the parking facility. Each of the new terminal buildings will contain approximately 300,000 sq ft of floor area. They will be constructed one at a time as the growth in traffic volume demands. When the terminals have been completed, in about ten years, the airport will have facilities for handling 60 jets simultaneously. The volume will be over 10,000 passengers per year. The design of the airport was predicated on the imminence of almost exclusive use of jet from this airport, expected increases in the size of the individual jet aircraft, as well as the large increase expected in the traffic volume.
San Francisco

The new facilities at San Francisco are additions to the existing air terminal building shown at top, center in the site plan. In the first stage of the new program, one of the terminal buildings (shown on the opposite page) will be built, the other to follow when increases in traffic require it. The three-level central parking area is gained via the access roadways and ramps. From here, ramps and overpasses lead to the terminal buildings. Each of the terminal buildings will have complete facilities for passenger, baggage, and aircraft handling. The terminal buildings are essentially two level structures. Each will contain areas and facilities on the second floor for enplaning passenger check-in, ticketing, and related functions including boarding of aircraft. On the ground level, provisions are made for deplaning passengers, baggage claim and related operations. Movable bridges will be used for aircraft loading and unloading. These will operate from the fingers.
After considerable study, the architects for the Dallas airport terminal decided to use a one-story scheme. This is somewhat out-of-the-ordinary for a large terminal today. The Dallas airport is large by any standards. It had to be designed for the needs of over 6,000,000 passengers and visitors a year. In passengers, air mail, and cargo carried each year, it is the largest in the Southwest, about eighth in size in the country. Because of this great volume, the problems of passenger movement through the terminal and airline operational problems are acute.

In most of the larger terminals now being designed and constructed, two-level circulation systems are being used. In these systems, passenger movements may be restricted to one level, or enplaning and deplaning operations may be carried out on separate levels. The architects for the Dallas air terminal designed a one-level scheme. This eliminated the need for passenger movement up and down on escalators or stairs. To provide for free vehicular travel on the ramp without crossing of such traffic with passenger circulation, each finger is ramped up on an easy incline and then down toward its far end. The ground level was graded slightly down at the point where the finger is highest. Thus, enough grade separation was produced for vehicles to pass under the fingers. In order to allow passengers to move freely across the elevated section of the fingers, two-way moving sidewalks were installed at these points. Baggage problems have been solved at Dallas by providing enplaning passengers with entrances directly connected with individual airline ticket offices and by placing the baggage claim area on the opposite side of the building. In this way, passengers get rid of their luggage immediately after entering the terminal and reclaim it just before departing.
The general layout of the Dallas airport is based on the principle that the best place for the terminal building is mid-field, between the runways. This reduces the distances aircraft must taxi on take-offs and landings and therefore speeds up operations. The necessity for aircraft to cross one runway to reach another was eliminated. The passenger terminal is essentially a one-story building with a mezzanine, and one story fingers and departure lounges. Additional stories placed over portions of the building contain operational and office areas. Mail and cargo operations are carried on in a separate building. Parking for 1750 automobiles is provided in front of the main building. This area is convenient and easily accessible from the passenger and public sections of the terminal. The control tower is located over the main concourse of the building. Above the ceiling of the lobby is an attic with catwalks for use of maintenance men. Thus, light fixtures, air conditioning distribution systems, electrical and communication systems may be repaired without disturbing operations or annoying the public.
Dallas

Enplaning passengers may enter the terminal from ground transportation directly in front of the airline ticketing areas. Their baggage is checked here and moved to aircraft via conveyors and carts. The passengers then pass through the main concourse to the various fingers, cross the grade-separated portions of the fingers on moving sidewalks, and enter the passenger loading piers. Deplaning passengers follow this route in reverse through the main concourse, into the baggage claim area. Baggage reaches this point via carts and conveyors. After claiming their luggage, passengers may board ground transportation directly in front of baggage claim or proceed immediately to the public parking lot.
TERMINAL BUILDING,
DETROIT
METROPOLITAN-WAYNE COUNTY
AIRPORT,
ROMULUS, MICHIGAN

This airport terminal building is a simple and straightforward solution to the operational and passenger problems of present-day airports. The design of the terminal is based on C.A.A. projections of a peak-hour load of 775 passengers for the present first-stage building. The facilities were designed for expansion to allow for an expected increase in peak-hour volume to 1550 passengers in 1968.

The first stage, now complete, consists of a three-story building, with a mezzanine between the second and third floors, and a partial basement. The mezzanine contains a dining room, observation areas, a large lounge, and a club room. The basement area is used for employe facilities, storage, and mechanical equipment rooms. Expansion will be accomplished by adding a third floor and extending the present building to the north. Eventually, the size of the building will be increased to almost double that of the present area.

The concept of the terminal and its auxiliary buildings involves the separation of passenger and operational functions from those of freight handling. Separate buildings are provided for cargo and air freight. The main terminal contains spaces for all other required functions. The third floor contains general administrative offices and a hotel with 36 rooms. Parking for passengers is provided for in front of the terminal between the driveways; employs park in a separate area north of the building. Passenger circulation is on two levels within the terminal; enplaning passenger functions are located on the second level, those for deplaning passengers on the ground floor. Fingers are single-level with departure lounges located on approximately 150-ft centers. Passenger areas are spacious and there is little cross-circulation.
Above: view of the ground side of the terminal building, from the auto ramp at the second level. Shown are the pedestrian entry bridge and the ground level truck entrance. Left: two views of a departure lounge, showing its relation to the concourse and the seating arrangements. Below: master plan of the airport terminal and its auxiliary elements.
Detroit-Wayne County

As indicated in the plans, the passenger areas of the terminal building are located on the first and second levels. In addition, a lounge, dining room, and other auxiliary spaces are included on the mezzanine. Enplaning passengers reach the building in automobiles or other ground transportation via the auto ramp on the second level. Entry from the ramp is by a bridge across the first level roadway. Ticket counters are located directly in front of and to the left of the entrance doors. It seems appropriate that in this airport for the motor city, the first thing the passengers see upon entering are two automobile displays which flank the entrance. Concessions are removed from the direct line of passenger traffic, but are conveniently located. Passengers may move from ticketing directly to the moving stairs which connect with the fingers. Deplaning passengers enter the building from the fingers, turn right and enter the passenger baggage concourse. From here it is only a short distance to the exits on this level, where ground transportation is located.
Detroit-Wayne County

Left, top: two views of the baggage-handling areas. The top view shows passenger claim areas, located on the ground floor. A spacious passenger concourse is provided. Individual baggage rooms may be closed-off from this area by overhead doors when necessary. The second view shows the conveyors used for transferring baggage between floors. Typical treatment of a private office and a portion of the main floor lobby and mezzanine are shown in the other views. The building structure is reinforced concrete frame on the first floor, structural steel frame above. Exterior walls are 4-in. concrete block (faced with brick or terra cotta) and aluminum-framed glass curtain walls. All of the walls are insulated with 2-in. glass fiber batts. Interior partitions are exposed concrete block in public areas, 2-in. solid plaster in private office areas.
In recent years Italian architecture has been turning away from the esthetic established by the European modern movement towards a more experimental and more specifically Italian approach.

This new phase has provoked a number of uneasy critical comments, particularly in England, where some have expressed concern over what one English writer called "a drift from functional integrity."*

Most Italian architects, however, do not consider that recent developments represent a drift away from the basic principles of modern architecture. On the contrary, they see them as an attempt to apply these principles to Italian practice in a more responsible manner.

Recent Work of
THE BBPR STUDIO

On the following pages the RECORD presents an analysis of the recent work of a leading Italian architectural firm, the BBPR Studio. This group, which pioneered in establishing modern architecture in Italy, has also been a leader in the developments of the last few years.

Architects Belgiojoso, Peressutti, and Rogers (the fourth partner, Balfi, was killed in the war) summarize their architectural philosophy in these words:

"We have always regarded modern architecture as admitting of all kinds of solutions in keeping with the human quotient, as it is a method for controlling the imagination, not a rule with fixed forms.

"From the masters we have learned not to imitate past styles, but in designing a new organism we strive to put it into a 'sympathetic' relationship with its surroundings, whether natural or man-made.

"We believe that to be modern means to express in a present-day and authentic idiom the whole of experience; that is, to bring the whole of the past to life in our own history.

"Our work moves confidently towards this difficult goal."

Neither museum design nor the remodeling of historic buildings has ever had much of a place in the canon of modern architecture. They were not the type of program that was likely to appeal to the theorists of an architectural revolution. Nevertheless, such problems do exist, particularly in Italy, a country rich in both historic buildings and museums.

When the BBPR Studio undertook the remodeling of the Museum at the Castello Sforzesco in Milan, they had to apply the principles of modern architecture to a situation where there were few precedents to guide them. The sensitive manner in which they preserved the original character of the building, and the undogmatic but uncompromisingly modern approach that they brought to its design, marked a turning point in Italian architecture; and ushered in a period of experimentation in the firm's own work that still continues at the present time.

Left: Ground floor plan. Above: Second floor plan. Top: Modern glazing installed in the original window embrasures
Sforzesco Museum

In this building we see a pioneering architectural statement of the modern philosophy of museum design, which holds that it is preferable to display a few choice objects with care, rather than fill every available space with the entire resources of the collection.
Recent Work—BBPR Studio

THE VELASCA TOWER IN MILAN

STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: Prof. Arturo Danusso
ASSISTANT: Franco Ordanini

Model photograph of an early study for the Torre Velasca, designed for construction in steel. Compare with executed building in reinforced concrete, above.
From the Sforzesco Museum, the BBPR firm went on to design the Torre Velasca in Milan, and few recent buildings have puzzled the critics more.

The project began as the steel-framed structure shown in the model photograph on the preceding page. A combination office tower and apartment house, the apartment floors were allowed to project slightly, expressing the fact that, with their services, they required a greater total floor area than the office space below. When this design went out for estimates, however, it was discovered that building conditions in Milan would make it 25 per cent cheaper to erect the building in reinforced concrete. The change of material necessitated modifications in the design, but the architects determined to keep the optimum floor plan sizes and make the resulting reinforced concrete structure strongly expressive of the forces involved.

It was fully in accord with modern movement theory to make the form of the building the direct expression of its dual function and to put the necessary structure to an esthetic use. In practice, however, the European modern movement is far more of a system of established forms than many people care to admit. As the architects moved away from the protection of this system, their esthetic necessarily became experimental; and there has been considerable controversy in evaluating the success of the experiment.
Recent Work—BBPR Studio

APARTMENTS AND OFFICES IN TURIN

ASSOCIATE ARCHITECT: Gian Franco Fasana
STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: Prof. Giulio Pizzetti
ASSISTANT: Alvaro Redaelli

One of the major problems confronting modern Italian architecture is the need to design such traditional necessities as arcades and balconies. Both are an important part of Italian living patterns and neither was incorporated in the modern architectural esthetic that came to Italy from northern Europe. This combination office building and apartment house in Turin demonstrates the BBPR Studio’s answer to this problem, achieved within the framework of the structural system first developed for the Torre Velasca.

Detail of one of the balconies shown in the photograph at left. Above right: The building framed by a traditional arcade across the street. Right: Top floor balconies
Recent Work—BBPR Studio

APARTMENTS ON THE VIA CAPPUCCHIO IN MILAN

STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: Aldo Favini

This apartment house, an addition to a seventeenth century structure that was damaged during the war, shows how the BBPR Studio interprets the problem of bringing a modern building into harmony with an older one through careful attention to materials and scale. Notice, however, the breaks in the floor slabs where the architects have varied the ceiling heights.
FIVE RESORT HOUSES

1. Hamilton & Goody, Architects

Beach house for Mr. and Mrs. L. William Spear, Gloucester, Massachusetts. William M. Read, Contractor. Frank J. Heger, Structural Engineer. Haley & Aldrich, Soil Engineers.

This trim and relatively compact beach house is designed to accommodate a small army of people. The Spears have five children who range in age from two to ten years. Two bedrooms are converted into dormitories by bunks, one room for girls, one for boys, with total space for eight children. Bunk beds are also used in a bedroom planned to house summertime student help. Living, dining and kitchen areas are all opened into one big family space with a deck. A mud room adjoins the entrance, and serves for "bath house" and laundry.

The house is supported on 12 concrete piers bearing on pads 5 ft below the surface, guarding against tides and sand. The house won the 1960 Boston Arts Festival Architectural Award in the Residential Category.

Comfort and economy are extremely well provided for two families (the owners and guests) in this mountain lodge in the High Sierras. The building is exactly 32 by 32 ft square, built on a 4-ft module, and has three levels for lowest cost, greatest use of view, ease of heating and privacy. The main level has general living areas, plus a suite for the children, with bunk rooms, laundry, and compartmented bath. Above this are two adult bedrooms, bath, and a den-guest area on a balcony. The basement (as yet unfinished) contains a game room, toilet, heater room and storage; access is via outside stairs, inside trap door and ladder. Basement walls are concrete block. Stud framing is surfaced with cedar boards and batts on exterior, fir plywood and cedar inside. Roof is of laminated 2 by 4's on edge.
3. J. & G. Daverman Co., Architects

Summer home for Mr. and Mrs. Herbert G. Daverman, near Holland, Michigan

This pleasant, practical and easy-to-keep lakeside summer home was planned for an architect, his wife, and their three teen-age children. It is situated on the east coast of Lake Michigan, two miles north of the Holland channel in a rather secluded area of drifting dunes. The crest of the site is 90 ft above the shore. All rooms face the view and have direct access to outdoor board walks and a stair to the beach. Three-foot overhangs and a cluster of trees to the northwest give protection from the sun.

The structure is post and beam, on a 4-ft module. The exterior is grey-stained plywood and stone. Interiors are of dry wall construction, with the exception of the sandstone fireplace. The lower level floors are vinyl tile over concrete on grade; on the main level, floors of kitchen and dining areas are surfaced with vinyl tile, and carpet is used in living room, master bedroom and bath. Heating is by forced-air, oil-fired plant.

A sweeping view of Puget Sound and the Olympic mountains dramatize the resort atmosphere of this waterfront house. The plan is a split-level one, with portions of the house raised above the ground to provide parking areas, sheltered patios, access to the beach for boats, beach activities, and boat storage. The entry is at road grade; at the same level are rooms for crafts, workshop, furnace and storage—stairs lead down to boat storage and beach.

Living areas are at a half level above the entry, and bedrooms are up another half level. Construction is post and beam, with cedar exterior. The carport roof is hung from the house by ¾-in. tie rods to avoid posts in a restricted parking and turn-around area. The entrance hall is two stories high, and is separated from the adjoining patio, and the master bedroom above by a plastic screen.
5. Peter Blake and Julian Neski, Architects

*Beach House for Miss Evaline Ness, Surf City, New Jersey*

A structure strongly recalling traditional dock construction is used for this year-round beach house. Located behind a sand dune facing the Atlantic Ocean, the entire house is suspended within a network of six piles driven directly into the sand. Main rooms, with adjoining screened porches, are on the upper level to make the most of the ocean view and the breezes. The lower level is set back to afford a covered deck all around.

Girders are hung from the piles by steel brackets; beneath the lower level, 3 by 8 braces are bolted to each side of the piles. Walls are stud frame, with 1 by 4 diagonal bracing let-in.

The colors are fairly neutral, with bright accents: the piling is black creosote finish; beams and fascia are stained charcoal grey; decking is deep brown, and siding is natural weathered grey. The doors throughout the house are painted orange and yellow ochre.
OFFICE BUILDINGS

- RECENT EXAMPLES
  - One Hundred California St. Building, San Francisco, California
  - Leader Federal Building, Memphis, Tennessee
  - Equitable Life Building, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
  - Phoenix-Rheinmuh AG Building, Dusseldorf, Germany

- PLANNING OFFICE BUILDINGS FOR AUTOMATION
  - IBM Datacenter, Time and Life Building, New York, N. Y.
  - Bank of America, One South Van Ness Building, San Francisco, California

BUILDING TYPES

HEADQUARTERS BUILDING COLUMNS FRAMED OUTSIDE

Headquarters, Bethlehem Steel Company
One Hundred California Street Building

LOCATION: San Francisco, California

ARCHITECTS: Welton Becket and Associates

STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Hayes & Little and John A. Blume & Assoc.

MECHANICAL ENGINEERS: Dudley Deane & Assoc.

CONTRACTORS: Swinerton & Walberg Co.

By locating the exterior columns outside of the walls, the architects of this office building have found a way to free the curtain wall from the hard-to-detail joints between columns and wall. For added measure, the scheme used results in office floor areas free of all columns other than those in the interior. As usually required in California earthquake areas, the building structure has been designed to withstand seismic loads. More unusual are the instruments which have been placed within to record the effect on the building of any future tremors. The two accelerometers used will keep records of accelerations, while eight displacement gages measure building displacements during earthquakes and severe windstorms.
The most immediate impression of this building when seen from the outside is that resulting from the strong verticals of the free-standing columns. Since these occur on only two sides of the building, there is no real appearance of verticality on the remaining sides. This creates an interesting change of pace as one walks around the site. To add to the illusion, the white marble on the sides of the columns shows from one direction, while from the other the strong black of the granite is visible, outlined by thin lines of marble. A great amount of importance attaches to this building visually, since most of the buildings in the surrounding area are considerably lower and much older.

As may be seen in the closeups of the building entrance, the setback from the street, the plaza, the lofty ceiling height of lobby, and the low platform on which the building sits result in an undeniable feeling of majesty and refinement in the overall effect.

The curtain wall, which sheathes the building, consists of a stainless steel frame into which alternating bands of black granite, gray granite, and gray-tinted glare reducing glass have been inserted.
The details on this page show the handling of the curtain wall in this building. Exterior columns are free-standing, allowing space for the walls to pass behind them. At each floor, the columns are tied back into the main structure with steel box girders, fireproofed with concrete. Wall panels are stainless steel and two shades of granite.
One Hundred California St.

The black granite and white marble of the exterior are also used for the interior lobby column covers. A second island similar to that shown at the left, is placed at the opposite end of the main lobby.

The two views at the bottom show the entrance lobby of the auditorium and the interior of the auditorium itself. This is used for company meetings, schools, and the like. The abstract mural is a needlepoint tapestry depicting important aspects of life in the Western states. Materials used in these spaces are beige carpeting and vinyl-covered walls and ceilings, natural walnut on the walls flanking the stage, a beige stage curtain, and crimson vinyl upholstery.

A walled garden court, located on the second floor is landscaped with trees, grass, rocks, and a fountain. The company library and executive dining rooms (opposite page) are located adjacent to the garden, as is the employe cafeteria. The dining areas have been simply handled, with subdued colors and materials, restrained furnishings. These areas are pleasant and conducive to quietude. Colors in the library are a bit more daring and perhaps somewhat out of character for this sort of space.
SECOND FLOOR
1. Library
2. Exec. Dining
3. Cafeteria
4. Serving Area
5. Kitchen
6. Office Area
7. Upper Lobby
8. Upper Auditorium

GROUND FLOOR
1. Main Lobby
2. Receptionist
3. Office Areas
4. Auditorium
5. Mail Room
6. Loading Dock
7. Receiving & Storage
8. Platform
One Hundred California St.

Working interior spaces of the building are handled in a straightforward, efficient manner. Most corridors are similar to that shown at right, top. Most have square recessed fixtures in the corridor proper and circular at the elevators. Some corridors are furnished with movable partitions, as shown. Nearly all of the office partitions are movable.

The office tower floors are much alike. A typical floor plan is shown. The module is 5 ft by 4 ft 6 in. Offices for district or department managers (below, right) are placed, for the most part, in the corners of the building. These usually have adjoining space for members of the manager's department. Semi-private offices are partitioned, as shown below, left, with movable walls of glass.

The structure of this building is fireproofed steel frame, with a lightweight concrete floor fill over steel decking. The frame was designed to resist wind loads, without resorting to lateral walls. All frame joints were designed with full continuity, using shop-driven rivets, shop welding, or high-strength bolts as needed. Steel box girders frame the free-standing columns into the building structure proper.
SMALL OFFICE BUILDING FOR A DOWNTOWN BANK

Leader Federal Building

LOCATION: Memphis, Tennessee

ARCHITECT: Office of Walk C. Jones, Jr.

DRAWINGS: Francis Mah

STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Merrill and Mann

MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS: Allen and Hoshall

CONTRACTOR: Dougherty-Liddell Construction Co.
Sectional perspective of office floors

Perspective of main banking area
Leader Federal Bank

Here is a small office building for a downtown site that preserves an appropriate scale and does not look like a fragment of a Manhattan skyscraper. Its success on this score is particularly significant because the project began as the far larger building shown in the preliminary study at right. The program was subsequently modified to comprise five stories instead of ten, and the design recast to conform to the new size.

In the original project the treatment of the office floors was based upon a strongly expressed system of modular alcoves. In the revised version these alcoves have been retained, but their prominence has been reduced and their arrangement regularized. The projecting alcoves make corresponding recesses for the windows, providing the building with a sun-control device which is an integral part of the architectural concept. (See section at left).

The structure is of welded steel with the upper floors cantilevered out 10 ft 6 in. on each side and 8 ft at the ends. The exterior walls of the upper floors are composed of 5 in. insulated pre-cast concrete panels with an exposed aggregate finish.

The accommodation consists of the ground floor banking area, a basement, and four floors of offices. Elevators, stairs and service areas are organized into a service tower which separates the bank building from an adjacent store and permits the main block to be treated virtually as a freestanding unit.
PITTSBURGH OFFICE BUILDING HAS EXTERNAL SERVICE TOWER

Four Gateway Center Building
LOCATION: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
OWNER: Equitable Life Assurance Society
ARCHITECTS: Harrison and Abramovitz
ASSOCIATE ARCHITECTS: Schell and Deeter
STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Edwards and Hjorth
MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS: Meyer, Strong and Jones
GENERAL CONTRACTOR: George A. Fuller Co.
The latest addition to the office capacity of Pittsburgh's Golden Triangle development is this building at number Four Gateway Center, which provides 400,000 sq ft of rentable area at a cost of $16,000,000.

A 22-story, free-standing tower clad in glass and stainless steel, the building occupies a corner site and adjoins a landscaped plaza that forms the roof of a 750-car underground garage. (See site plan). A separate tower of irregular shape, containing elevators and most of the mechanical equipment and services, is joined to the building on the Stanwix St. side, so that the office space itself is virtually uninterrupted.

The windows are of green-tinted, heat-absorbing glass, and the spandrels are of charcoal gray structural glass units with a green tint. Mullions and muntins are of stainless steel. The mullions, of a specially designed section, project to give the facade a strong vertical emphasis.

The service tower is brought into harmony with the curtain walls of the main building by means of its stainless steel cladding. This cladding is made up of two sizes of faceted panels with a natural finish, alternated with narrow stainless steel strips of a charcoal gray finish. (See detail next page.) The result again is a strong vertical emphasis. In this way the external service tower is related to the main block, and becomes far less of a contrasting element than it would have appeared in a different material.
Gateway Building

Cladding of the service tower is of faceted 16 gage stainless steel panels with a number 4 finish, alternating with charcoal gray 18 gage stainless steel strips which clip over the joints. The mullions are also of 16 gage stainless steel. Spandrels are of charcoal gray structural glass which has been given a green tint to match the daytime appearance of the heat-absorbing glass windows.
GERMAN OFFICES WITH A VIEW

Offices for Phoenix-Rheinrohr AG

LOCATION: Dusseldorf, German Federal Republic

ARCHITECTS: Dr. Helmut Hentrich and Hubert Petschnigg

ASSOCIATES: Fritz Eller, Erich Moser and Robert Walter

This new administration building for Phoenix-Rheinrohr AG takes advantage of a commanding situation overlooking a park to provide an unusual amount of light and view for its office accommodation. No part of the office space is more than about 23 ft from the windows; and the floor plan is the result of the interaction of this requirement with the exigencies of the site and the disciplines of modular design. The outcome is a building of considerable subtlety, clearly articulated into three separate blocks, but bound together by its proportional relationships. In some ways this building is very American, with its stainless steel, glass and aluminum curtain walling, its total air conditioning, and its external window-washing devices. At the same time, its highly intellectualized organization gives it a purely European scale.

The accommodation includes seventeen general office floors and two executive floors, with a large restaurant and kitchen on the 20th and 21st stories. The three top-most floors of the central block house the mechanical equipment, and there is an underground parking garage for 280 cars.

All photos by Arno Wrubel
German Offices

At far left: The building seen from across the neighboring park. Interior photos show the way in which various types of accommodation all have ample natural light. Plans repay study, spaces are equally, but not symmetrically, disposed about both axes.

Opposite page: Ground floor and site plan. The entrance and exit ramps for the underground parking are at far left.
Planning Office Buildings For Automation

One of the more startling developments in the increasingly complex world of the architect is the growing use of electronic data processing machines for the automation of business functions formerly performed by people. The main thing these machines have to recommend them is that they are able to perform such tedious, boring tasks as inventory control, payroll accounting, and myriads of similar jobs, with great speed and extreme accuracy. However, EDP systems make some demands, too. They are finicky in the extreme as to the environment they require in which to perform. They are heavy and space-consuming.

Some principles architects and engineers need to know in designing office buildings for these systems are contained in the pages following.

Many architects and engineers who design office buildings will no doubt inevitably be engaged by a client who expects to have a computer, or more correctly Electronic Data Processing (EDP), system installed in his building. While the needs for particular systems will ordinarily be highly individualized and complex, some general principles concerning the architectural and engineering aspects involved in planning a building for these machines can be set down. In this way, one who is faced with the design of a building which will house an EDP system may provide himself with some of the background he will need for the more detailed considerations he will be faced with later.

The use of computers for scientific or engineering calculations is well known. The use of EDP systems for the automation of ordinary business operations such as inventory controls, bank operations, clerical functions, and the like is newer and perhaps not so familiar. Yet, business installations outnumber scientific or calculating computers by more than two to one. All predictions point toward rapid growth in the use of EDP in offices and the application of the principles to ever-widening fields.

EDP systems are highly demanding of the architect and his consultants. The machines refuse to function under conditions of high humidity and high or low temperature which employees might put up with. The installations are heavy and place concentrated loads on building floors. Large areas are required for the placement of many of the systems, and for the maintenance and servicing of the machines. Electric power with low variations in voltage and frequency must be furnished to the systems. Many of the systems require a raised or double floor to accommodate the large number of cables interconnecting the machines. Because of the nature of the problems involved in the design of office building spaces for EDP installations, an examination of some of their more important aspects should be of value.

The architect working on an office building which will contain an EDP system will naturally turn to the companies that produce them and to consultants who specialize in the field for detailed answers to the specific design problems. However, an examination of some of the more general and important aspects of planning should give him some background for later and more detailed study.

What is an Electronic Data Processing System?
The National Office Management Association defines a computer as "a device capable of accepting information, applying prescribed processes to the information, and supplying the results of these processes . . . from internally-stored instructions, as opposed to calculators on which the sequences are impressed manually from tape, or from cards."

This is to say that computers are devices which may receive their original instructions from tape or cards, but which also store required information within themselves. Of late, the experts in the field have tended to use the word "computer" to specifically describe devices which perform problem-solving calculations but to employ "Electronic Data Processing System" (EDP) or more simply, Data Processor, to describe the general type of the devices.
These schematic floor plans give some indication of the units which might be used to make up three different Electronic Data Processing systems, all based on the IBM 7070 series of machines. In practice, numerous variations of the above are possible for different purposes and problems. The plans shown are not intended to be typical, but only as examples of some of the principles involved.
How Does EDP Work?
In the simplest terms, an EDP system is composed of four major parts: Input, Storage (Memory), Processing, and Output. In practice, the input will ordinarily be in the form of instructions sent to the machine by a person operating a keyboard, from punch cards, or from punched paper tape. The newer and more sophisticated high-speed systems often employ magnetic tape inputs. The storage or memory units are all magnetic devices. They include drums, disks, tape, and a system of magnetic cores. Most EDP systems have employed vacuum tubes in their processing units, but newer machines utilize transistors almost exclusively. The term “solid state machines” comes from the basic characteristics of transistors. Output components are similar to the input devices. Results may be fed to keyboards, punch cards, punched paper tape, or magnetic tape. In addition, it is possible to feed the output information to high speed printers.

Schedules and Timing
It is imperative that planning for an EDP installation should begin very early. Programming of the operations the machines are to perform often takes a year or more, before the actual components of the system can be selected. A year or more will usually be required between the time the system layout is approved and delivery of the equipment. Architectural and engineering considerations concerned with the building itself require a certain amount of time. The total number of months needed from the time of the decision to install an EDP system will, of course, vary with the individual problems. But, in all cases, the complete process will be spread over quite a long period. It is imperative that adequate time be allowed.

General Requirements
The first consideration in the planning of an EDP system is the provision of adequate space of the particular kind required. Proper and adequate power must be provided. Air conditioning requirements must be determined (often six times as much as for a normal office will be needed). Space must be provided for housing the air conditioning equipment. Ceilings must be high enough to allow machine installations and, more often than not, a hung ceiling and raised floor will be necessary. The floors must be designed for the high loads to be placed upon them.

Work flow to other areas is highly important in order to obtain the utmost efficiency. Flexibility and expansion problems are acute, since EDP has a way of outmoding itself very quickly. Also, experience shows that many companies begin with systems performing limited functions but soon discover other operations that lend themselves to automation.

Space Planning
The areas required for EDP installations vary considerably. For example, one of IBM’s more limited capacity systems, the RAMAC 305 requires about 370 sq ft, while the same company’s big 705 III system may take up 3,500 sq ft. Actual space requirements for a given installation can be finally determined only by a layout of the work flow and of the machines themselves. In addition to the space for the system proper, auxiliary areas are needed for air conditioning equipment, testing, storage, and the like. Space is often required for printer form stands, card files, work tables, desks. Storage must usually be provided for permanent master document files, EDP cards (or in newer machines, magnetic tapes). These areas should be carefully located to minimize unnecessary travel time. A bulk storage room is usually required for the storage of spare filters, transformers, and other large parts.

Floor Strength and Construction
The units which compose an EDP system are heavy. Point loads on the floor may often run as high as 1,000 pounds. Even when the loads can be distributed, it is usually necessary to design the floors for 150 psf loadings, or more. As EDP installations become more common, it may be feasible to construct some buildings with all of their floors stressed for the loads of these systems. In most cases, it probably will not be economical to do so. In any case, EDP system locations will require close study and selection, followed by design for the loadings to be encountered.

Currently, the preferred method of solving the load distribution problem is by the provision of a secondary floor raised over the building floor slab. An installation of this type may have other important advantages: interconnecting power cables and receptacles may be concealed, yet remain easily accessible, the space between the floors may be utilized for housing air conditioning ducts or plenums, future changes in the layout may be effected with a minimum of lost time and expense, machines may be added easily.

While a secondary floor with raceways may be employed, a free access type, allowing complete directional freedom, is preferred. This type of floor is composed of square or rectangular panels, supported at their edges on a structural grid, and raised to the required height on pedestals of metal or other material.

Air Conditioning
Electronic Data Processing Systems require very close control of air temperature, humidity, and dust. If any of these is not held within certain prescribed limits, the machines cannot perform. Thus, the provision of adequate air conditioning is necessary. If the cooling of an office space fails, its occupants might continue to do their work, but EDP cannot. Because of this, the recommended, and usual, solution is the provision of a separate air conditioning system serving the EDP system alone. This system will be required to operate on the cooling cycle all year round.

In many cases, the preferred location for the EDP air conditioning system is in a room adjacent to the Data Processing machines themselves. However, if lines must be run to a cooling tower many stories away on the roof, this may prove too costly. In some cases, the tower might be located on a ledge or setback roof. Those who have had considerable experience in the design of EDP installations recommend installation of as much standby equipment as possible. Since EDP rental or purchase
costs are so high, any time when the system is inoperative can be financially disastrous. It will often prove more feasible to minimize shutdowns through the use of standby equipment than to risk costly delays.

There is considerable variation in the air conditioning requirements of various EDP systems. For example, the IBM Ramac 305 dissipates heat approximately equivalent to five tons of air conditioning while the same company's 705 III system heat dissipation equals about 33 tons. The new IBM 7070 requires about 11 tons of air conditioning. When this machine is in operation, the temperature must be maintained in the 65 to 90 degree F. range, and the humidity between 20 and 80 per cent. When inoperative, power off, the limits are 50 to 110 degrees F. and 0 to 80 per cent RH. High efficiency filters are required for use with these machines. If a mechanical filter is used, it must be rated at a minimum of 20 per cent efficiency by the Bureau of Standards discoloration test using atmospheric dust. Electrostatic plate type filters must be rated at 85-90 per cent efficiency by the same test. Special filtration will be necessary if the installation is exposed to corrosive gases, salt air, or unusually severe dust conditions.

Companies producing EDP systems recommend the installation of temperature and humidity recording instruments. Through the use of the records provided by these instruments, it will be easier to insure that the air conditioning system is operating continuously with the required efficiency. In this way, correct functioning of the Electronic Data Processing System itself may be more nearly assured.

**Acoustical Treatment**

Many of the units in an EDP system produce considerable noise. The worst offenders are such components as the card machines, printers, and blowers. For the comfort of the system operators, acoustical treatment of the area is desirable. The acoustical problems in an area containing an EDP installation are similar to those in other moderately noisy office building areas and may be solved by the usual methods. However, attention should be paid to the vibrations set up by the machines. Floor and wall construction should be capable of retarding the transmission of the vibrations of the machines to other areas of the building.

**Illumination**

A minimum average general illumination of 40 ft-candle measured 30 in. above the floor is recommended by systems manufacturers for all machine areas. Low levels of illumination are required for easy observation of various console and signal lights. Therefore, direct sunlight should be avoided. In larger installations, general lighting should be zoned, so that portions of the lighting may be turned on or off as required.

**Vibration**

An EDP installation ordinarily cannot be made in an area that is subject to large amounts of vibration. In general, the machines can withstand a sustained vibration up to 0.25G (G = gravitational acceleration). Intermittent vibrations somewhat greater than this can be withstood, if

In cases where a double floor system is used for an EDP system, the wiring for individual units is brought up from the chase through an opening formed by removing one or more floor panels (top view). The middle view (a unit with its wiring installed) shows how an additional panel may be removed for servicing or maintenance, while the bottom view shows machines in place, one ready for internal servicing.
their frequency is less than 25 cycles per second. In more extreme cases, steps for overcoming the problems may be recommended by the manufacturers.

**Electrical Power**

Data Processing systems place heavy loads on the electrical system of an office building. The system requirements for circuit flexibility, the need for power source dependability, and safety requirements further complicate electrical design. Exact specifications vary considerably for various installations. However, a look at the requirements for one system, the IBM 7070 might serve as an indication of the general needs. The 7070 system operates on a 208 or 230 volt, 3 phase, 60 cycle supply, and requires approximately 37 KVA. The source voltage may have a total variation of ±10 per cent of the rated voltage including transient and steady state. Frequency must be within ±1/2 cycle. Both 60 cycle and 400 cycle power are distributed within the system, the 400 cycle being produced by a convertor contained in the EDP installation. Line to line voltage and frequency tolerances within the system are the same as the power source tolerances. Separate feeders from the main distribution panel of the building are most often used. However, if the building power cannot be maintained within the tolerances, a separate transformer or motor alternator may be necessary. If a transformer is used, it should be fed from the highest primary source available. The Data Processing system feeder should feed no loads other than those of the system. The distribution panel for the processing system should be located in the EDP area. Ordinarily, all units of the system are designed for cable entry from the floor or from under the floor beneath each machine.

**Lightning Protection**

Manufacturers recommend that lightning protection be installed for the secondary power sources of the systems in cases where the utility company provides lightning protectors on the primary, where primary power is supplied by an overhead power service, or where the area is subject to electrical storms or other power surges.

**Tape Storage**

The use of magnetic tape for feeding and receiving information from EDP systems is rapidly becoming more commonplace. Tape must be protected from dust, and from extremes of humidity and temperature. Under the usual conditions of frequent use, acetate base tapes should be stored at a temperature of 65-90 degrees F., 40-60 per cent relative humidity. If exposed to temperatures outside this range (from 40 to 120 degrees F.) for more than four hours, tape should be hermetically sealed in dust proof containers, and subsequently reconditioned in the atmosphere of use for a length of time equal to the time spent outside the use atmosphere. Other tapes (polyester base, and the like) can withstand temperatures of 40-120 degrees F. and 0-80 per cent RH.

When not in use, tapes should be stored in dust proof containers in a vertical position. Tapes must not be placed in contact with magnetic materials or subjected to magnetic fields of greater than 50 oersteds intensity.
IBM Datacenter

LOCATION:
Time and Life Building, New York

ARCHITECTS:
Harrison & Abramowitz & Harris

STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS:
Edwards & Hjorth

MECHANICAL ENGINEERS:
Syska & Hennessy, Inc.

DATACENTER ENGINEERING AND INTERIOR DESIGN:
Air Research Associates

CONTRACTORS:
George A. Fuller Company and John Lowry, Inc.

DATA PROCESSING MADE AVAILABLE TO ALL

The Datacenter, shown on these pages and in the closeups on page 223, is one of a number IBM has established in various parts of the country. Their purpose is to make Data Processing available to businesses needing these services, but which do not require complete installations of their own.

The Center was designed to perform almost any process its customers might require, within the limitations of the systems installed. As newer systems are developed or users come up with newer problems, the Center may easily be converted to meet the changing demands.

The entire machine area of the Center has a raised floor, composed of 18-in. by 18-in. cast aluminum panels supported at the corners on pedestals and brackets. The floor panels are covered with 1/8-in. vinyl tile. For the most part, movable partitions are used within the EDP area. These are set on top of the raised floor and attached to the ceiling. All have dense mineral fiber cores, for sound absorption. The air conditioning system is separate from that of the rest of the building. Cool air is introduced under the raised floor, and enters the rooms through perimeter floor diffusers. Return is accomplished through the hung ceiling, without ducts.
SERVICE CENTER FOR THE WORLD'S LARGEST BANK

Bank of America,
One South Van Ness Avenue Building
LOCATION: San Francisco, Calif.
ARCHITECTS: Wurster, Bernardi & Emmons
PROJECT ARCHITECTS: Don Stover
and George Kennaday
STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: L. H. and B. L. Nishkian
MECHANICAL ENGINEERS: Gayner Engineers
BUILDERS: Swinerton & Walberg
PROJECT COORDINATION:
Continental Service Company

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PLANNING FOR MODERN BANKING PROCEDURES

by Donn Emmons*

The Bank of America's new building at One South Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, now nearing completion, was designed for two kinds of banking procedures. One is the normal method, using familiar office machines such as tabulators, comptometers, typewriters and so forth, operated directly by persons; the other, although gradually becoming normal for certain functions in banking, is still revolutionary enough in its use of electronic processing machines to involve some unfamiliar planning requirements.

There is an unavoidable paradox in designing such a building. Although the over-all building program was real and tangible, the detailed building program in regard to certain areas had to be based on unknowns. The operations of some departments, for instance, are now handled on ordinary office equipment; but there is no doubt in any one's mind that electronic equipment will eventually be developed which will be applicable to many of these operations. But what size, shape, weight and mechanical demands these machines of the future will have is presently unknown and unpredictable. Space needs for such departments, and to some extent their structural and mechanical needs, are therefore difficult if not sometimes impossible to define exactly.

Flexibility is Essential

In a program such as this, one factor was inevitably predominant: the need for providing areas which could be used with complete flexibility. This meant not only large, relatively open spaces and services of all kinds, but provision for easy addition of other services or adaptation of services to new needs. Developments in the field of electronics are so continuous and so rapid that provision for future possible equipment has to be basic to the architectural solution. It is realistic to expect that progress in the design of electronic equipment could obviate many of the services now essential to its operation.

One aspect of the building program for One South Van Ness was always certain: large floor areas would be needed. The site at Market and South Van Ness Streets met this requirement and provided an imposing location for the building as well. The importance of large floor areas in a building such as this cannot be over-emphasized, especially in connection with the departments in which electronic machines are used. Expansion of such departments is efficient and economic only if it can be done horizontally. Thus an ERMA (electronic recording machine accounting) system, with a capacity for handling a quarter of a million accounts, can grow machine by machine as the need arises, each new machine being placed in line with its predecessors. The ERMA installation at One South Van Ness, like the other electronic departments there, has plenty of room—60,000 sq ft—in which to grow.

In this building—eight stories high for the time being, but designed to take an additional five floors—three floors have been specifically designed for electronic ma-

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Office Buildings

chines such as ERMA's and Data Processors. These are the third, fourth and fifth floors. The other five floors are of conventional design and will be used for typical banking administrative functions. The three special floors also include some typical administrative functions; these have been located on the building's perimeter to take advantage of the floor-to-ceiling windows. On these floors the departments which consist largely of machines are located in the interior areas.

This simple and direct solution confined the quite considerable amount of special services—electrical loads amount to as much as 600 kw per floor—needed for the machines within one area on each floor, freeing the remaining areas for other functions.

Double Floor Construction

The building is of reinforced concrete frame construction, with typical connections for the slab floors at exterior walls. But on the third, fourth and fifth floors, at varying distances (typically, nine feet) from the exterior walls, there is a large depressed area 12 in. deep, which forms a plenum for the mechanical services needed for the electronic machines. Cables for electric wiring, air exhaust lines from the machines and other services run in this space.

Floor panels over this area are supported on steel pedestals set on the concrete slab at intervals of 2 ft and 2 ft 6 in. This finished floor is set level with the slab at the outside wall (the pedestals are adjustable) and with the curbing around columns. All floor panels in this “infinite access” area are, of course, removable for access to wires and ducts. The machines rest directly on the finished floor; their weight is transmitted via the pedestals to the slab below which is designed, as are all slabs through the seventh floor, for a 250 psf live load. The eighth floor, and the five future floors above it, conform to the San Francisco code requirement of 150 psf.

Air Supply to Computers

Since electronic machines are very much more sensitive to temperature and humidity than are human beings, tolerating only a three-degree range, atmospheric control is of extreme importance on the floors where the machines are located. This is effected by providing special air handling units (fans, filters, exchange coils) for the third and fifth floors (located on the third and sixth floors) for more exact temperature and humidity control and for further filtering of the air that goes directly to the machines. Lines for this supply run above the hung ceiling; exhaust lines take off from the underside of the machines and run in the plenum formed by the double floor. Thermostats in each machine area control conditions; mixing of hot and cold air to meet requirements is done at the distribution point for each area.

This special equipment is, of course, in addition to the central air conditioning system located on the sixth floor, in the physical center of the building. (Basement, ground and mezzanine floors are serviced from a separate system in the basement; another mechanical floor will be added later when the upper five floors are added.) The critical air conditioning needs of the machines required that the air conditioning equipment be located as close as possible to the machines; the sixth floor location was an economical as well as a practical solution to this requirement. Cooled air is sent into a centrally located shaft from which it is fed at each floor into the ducts that run in the space above the ceiling. The return cycle from the seventh and eighth floors is separate from that of the floors below.

The hung ceiling stops short of the exterior walls and forms a cove which provides for the air returns. These run to the riser shafts and thence to the sixth floor mechanical room. On the sixth floor louvers on all three sides of the building supply from an exhaust to the outside.

Architectural Implications

All in all, the architectural implications of electronic machine installations, as we have experienced them in designing the One South Van Ness Building, might be summed up in the fact that although the large floor areas which these machines require may necessarily be unusual in detail, the building as a whole is really a conventional envelope in which to contain them. Flexibility as a controlling principle of design, is not new in either commercial or industrial buildings; essential as it is here, its demands are familiar ones. What is unfamiliar is, again, the detail; in particular here, the detail of the specific machine’s requirements which are largely mechanical and electrical.
A not-so-quiet revolution is taking place in materials and equipment for building. Even when life was simpler, keeping abreast of new developments was no easy chore. But now, with pressures to further mechanize assembly of buildings, to control the indoor environment, to provide for more flexibility in interiors, to reduce maintenance and to cut costs, this problem has become serious indeed. Such matters have always been a concern of the AE section, but to serve better this area of interest, ARCHITECTURAL RECORD is adding a new department: BUILDING COMPONENTS: Application and Specification of Materials and Equipment. Each month it will feature a technical article by a specialist in the field involved plus the comprehensive reporting available in our regular Product Reports and Office Literature sections. Leading off the new department in this issue is “Aluminum Finishes” by J. H. Goodyear, which covers in detail the various methods for achieving texture, color and gloss, together with the characteristics and architectural applications of available alloys.

Frank Lloyd Wright wrote a series of articles on “The Meaning of Materials” for ARCHITECTURAL RECORD in 1928 in which he said, “To know intimately the nature of materials is essential to knowing how to use the tools available, to make use of those materials sensibly or artfully.” Today the scientist can manipulate molecules to produce materials of wierd and wonderful characteristics to endure the rigors of outer space. So knowing materials, and first of all the needs, is not only a problem but an opportunity for architects and engineers. The pace is now so rapid that the architect may yet have that ideal building material (dubbed “gleepsite” by architectural students) which will withstand all weather, be a perfect thermal and sound barrier, and span miles in a micro-thin sheet.

Present building codes would permit more plastics to be used than are going into buildings, according to a study on fire safety aspects of plastics just completed by the Southwest Research Institute. Some of the conclusions of the study, which was made for the Manufacturing Chemists Association, Inc. are: 1) many building officials lack an understanding of the nature of plastics, and, conversely many people in the plastics industry are unfamiliar with pertinent elements of codes and code administration; 2) many of the fire safety standards in codes are based on arbitrary definitions of fire hazards; 3) the noncombustibility and fire-resistance requirements are major factors limiting use.

Anthropologically, we are a bigger people than we were a century ago, and this, indirectly, has caused some surprises in the acoustics of recently built concert halls. The halls have been less reverberant than was predicted by classical formula. Until recently, scientists assumed that the lowering of reverberation time due to the absorption of sound by the audience was directly proportional to the number of people in it. No account was taken of how widely spaced the seats were. (Today seats are farther apart for comfort’s sake, and aisles are wider for safety.) Dr. Leo Beranek of Bolt, Beranek and Newman, Inc. has shown in the June issue of The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America that reverberation time is not related to the number of people, but rather to the area that the seats and aisles occupy. As an example of what could happen, the reverberation time for the Royal Festival Hall in London turned out 33 per cent less than was anticipated, resulting in a “crisper” sound than designed for.
SUSPENSION STRUCTURES

by Seymour Howard, Architect, Associate Professor, Pratt Institute

While suspension structures date back to the rope bridge, the principle has seldom been applied to buildings. In single-story structures, where it is most applicable, the hung roof must handle uplift of wind, unbalanced loads such as snow, and, most particularly, the ravages of vibration (flutter). The nature of these forces and methods of stabilizing structures against them are discussed here. The sketches are by the author.

Of the various methods of spanning a space, suspension systems have a special appeal to the imagination because of their potential efficiency in the use of material and the long spans possible. Steel, aluminum or fiber can be used to their maximum advantage in the form of cable or rope. All the loads can be carried in direct tension; there need be no reduction in the allowable stress on account of the danger of buckling. The drawing of steel into wire form increases the proportional limit to stresses in the order of 160,000 psi, instead of 30 to 40,000 psi for structural steel, and the breaking stress to over 220,000 psi*. What economy of material and lightness this seems to promise!

Why, then, apart from the familiar suspension bridge, are so few permanent structures of this type actually built?

The answers to this question constitute the limitations of suspension systems. New buildings will be successfully designed and constructed using tension as the principal type of stress if these limitations are understood and transcended.

MULTI-STORY SYSTEMS

Cables for vertical supports

One of the suspension systems which crops up perennially in architectural projects is shown in Fig. 1. (As far as I know it has never been used in a completed building.) A series of floors are supported by tension cables which are fastened to an overhead truss; a design like this by Amincio Williams of the Argentine received considerable publicity in the late 1930’s.

Paul Chelazzi’s “Suspen-Arch” system for multi-story buildings is essentially the same, with the substitution of several “Suspen-Arches” at various levels instead of the single truss at the top (see Fig. 2). The principal advantage claimed for this type of construction is that the cross sectional area of vertical elements is reduced to a minimum, and that, as a result, the plan provides maximum flexibility in floor layout.

The Limitations are:

1. Although the area of the tension cables is small, the addition of necessary fireproofing around them must not be forgotten.

2. The spacing of vertical supports is determined by the floor framing system. Therefore the limitations on the layout of offices is essentially the same as if the floor were supported on columns. Neither a column nor a hanger is a welcome obstruction in the middle of a room.

3. Considering the building as a whole, vertical loads must travel a path about three times as far to get to the ground as in normal columnar design. (Any system with trusses or other main transverse supports at intermediate levels will reduce this distance somewhat.)

4. Wind forces must be resisted entirely by the central compression shaft. With conventional columnar framing, on the other hand, the stiffnesses of all of the columns can help resist horizontal forces.

5. The tendency of floors to swing horizontally can be eliminated by correct fastenings to the compression shaft. These must permit relative vertical movement, because the central shaft will shorten under loading while the cables will lengthen.

6. Although methods could be devised to precast the floors on the ground and then raise them by the cables to their final position, the compression shafts and trusses would have to be constructed first. This would be an extra expense as compared with conventional columnar design.

Cables for horizontal supports

These would essentially be adaptations of the single-story systems described below. Not much has yet been done, although Lev Zetlin has been studying some with a 200-ft...
clear span, using his double, prestressed cable system, described later in this article.

SINGLE-STORY SYSTEMS
The hanging roof
If there is one general category for classifying the limitations of hanging roofs, it is MOVEMENT. Under this broad heading can be grouped most of the problems which can be foreseen.

Non-destructive movements
1. Changes in shape due to moving loads. One of the advantages of tension structures is the simplicity with which one can visualize the shape of the tension elements under a load. A perfectly flexible cable or string will take a different shape for every variation in loading; this is the familiar “funicular curve” or “string polygon.” Two extreme cases are shown in Fig. 3. On the left is the catenary curve, formed by a cable...
hanging over frictionless pulleys under the influence of its own weight; the weight of the vertical portion is exactly equal to the tension at the supports and the lower end just touches the directrix of the catenary. At right is a cable fastened at each end, and supporting a moving load; cable weight is neglected. Since the length of the cable is fixed, the moving load describes an ellipse with the end fastenings as foci.

The net or membrane in three dimensions corresponds to the cable in two, and gives the picture of a surface which resists forces only by direct tensile stresses. Anyone who has seen acrobats jumping on a circus net or trampoline can understand what is involved.

2. Changes in shape due to unsymmetrical loading, such as snow, over only a portion of the roof are essentially the same as those due to moving loads. In both cases, the greater the live load/dead load ratio, the greater the movement. Prestressing can be used with the same general effect as an increase in the dead load.

3. Changes in shape due to wind loads. On a single circular cable, a steady wind will act like a statical horizontal load, as in Fig. 4. On a roof surface it will act principally as an upward force (suction), unless the slope is over about 30°. Some means of resisting this must be provided: secondary tie-down cables curving upward (see Fig. 5), tie-down guy wires, an excess of dead weight.

The magnitude of the wind force is not the serious aspect of this problem. See below for the potentially destructive dynamic effects.

4. Temperature changes must be considered. These can be provided for by hinges which permit rotation as cable lengths change, etc., as in Fig. 6. Particular care is required with structures which are partly outdoors and partly indoors.

Potentially destructive movements VIBRATION. Flapping, rippling, fluttering and galloping.

Every mass has its own natural period of vibration with its fundamental and higher modes. The period depends on the density of the mass, on its geometrical distribution or shape and on the magnitude of the stresses set up by its own weight and other permanent forces acting on it. The most familiar example is
a stretched wire, whose musical note depends on material, length and tension (see Fig. 7).

The number of half-waves formed by the vibrating wire is always a whole number; therefore one of the clues to controlling vibration is an irregular spacing of framing members, ties and supports. In a piano, for example, the hammers strike the strings at the seventh points in order to avoid the seventh harmonic.

When an external pulsating force is applied to such a mass, like a cable, it will be set in motion. This motion can be represented by an infinite number of superimposed modes of vibration. If one of these modes coincides with the natural frequency or fundamental mode of the mass, resonance will ensue. The amplitude or deflection will be increased and the effect of the pulsating force may also be increased. This process may continue until the structure is destroyed.

**Types of exciting forces**
The general idea of resonant vibration is a familiar one. How may it take place? The possible causes of vibration include:

1. **Wind.** This is the most usual and the principal danger to suspended structures (see below).

2. **Movement** of vehicles and the operation of reciprocating and rotating machinery on the structure or on the ground nearby.

3. **Sound.** Examples: Thin glasses shattered by a musical note; teeth “set on edge”; the vibration of a church interior with the low notes of the organ; pneumatic machinery.

4. **Friction** may cause squeaks and chattering if part of structure moves due to temperature changes, racking by the wind, etc.

**WIND.** The flapping of simple suspended elements like a flag, a sail or a canvas awning is very familiar, but how does the wind really act to cause a rhythmic force? A few examples, taken from J. P. DenHartog's "Mechanical Vibrations" (4th Edition, 1956, McGraw-Hill) will help to clarify this:

1. **Karman vortices.** If a steady wind blows against a cylinder or other obstruction, the wake is made up of a vortex street (see Fig. 9). The shedding of these vortices on the lee side causes forces to act on the cylinder at right angles to the direction of the wind, first from one side and then from the other. The period or frequency: \( f = \frac{V}{2\pi D} \) (\( V \) is velocity; \( D \) is diameter).

This is evidently the cause of the high-pitched hum heard from power lines when a strong wind blows and the cause of fatigue failure when resonance occurs. It is also the cause of vibration failures which often occur in steel industrial smokestacks with winds of about 30 mph. Springs and small shock absorber type dampers have been developed to prevent these failures.

A Karman vortex about 39-ft long was the cause of the famous Tacoma Bridge collapse, which occurred under a steady 42-mph wind. The deck twisted about 45° from the horizontal in both directions until it broke (see Fig. 10). The deck was rebuilt, using a box section instead of the original H section, thus increasing the resistance to torsion a hundredfold. The new section was made up of open trusses on the sides and an openwork deck to prevent the formation of large eddies or significant pressure differences between the upper and lower surfaces (see Fig. 11).

2. **Dynamically Unstable Shapes.** The force of the wind on a prismatic shape is usually not in line with the direction of the wind. In analyzing its effect, the force is divided into two components: drag and lift, parallel and perpendicular to the direction of the wind, as shown in Fig. 12. The magnitude of these will vary with changes in the angle of attack and with the section. Thus a cylinder will have no lift, while an oblong shape will. Some shapes are found to be unstable; this means that if the wind blows at certain angles, the lift force causes them to wobble. A rectangular section is unstable if it is held more or less across the wind as in Fig. 12, a half-cylinder even more so. This effect can be felt by dragging a flat board through water.

The dynamic stability of a given shape can be determined only by experiment. If suspension roof structures are to find more general use, experiments will have to be performed to determine the dynamic stability of various surfaces.

An example of this instability is the galloping transmission line. When a power wire becomes covered with sleet, it loses its symmetrical circular shape and becomes elongated, changing from a stable to an unstable section (see Fig. 13). The wind can now lift it, and a wire of 300-ft span rises about 10 ft, until the stretch of the wire pulls it down again. The frequency is very slow, on the order of once a minute; the wire will gallop up and down for many hours, as long as the wind blows steadily and the sleet remains on the wire. Similar action occurs with a sail turned parallel to the direction of the wind.

**DAMPING**
A structure or part of a structure which has been set in vibration by a single force will not continue to vibrate forever. Even tuning forks or piano strings will gradually stop due to air resistance and internal friction. In a structure it is usually necessary...
to eliminate vibration completely or
to have it damped as quickly as pos­
sible.

If a damping force can be pro­
vided which acts in the opposite di­
rection to that in which the structure
is moving when vibration starts, and
if that force is proportional to the
velocity of the structure (the faster
it moves, the greater the damping
force), vibration can be prevented
or greatly diminished. This is often
called viscous damping because a
small plunger in a dashpot filled
with viscous liquid will provide this
type of resisting force. This is similar
to the action of the cylinder of a door
closer.

A spring alone is not sufficient for
viscous damping. Although it may
change the period of vibration and
prevent or reduce the transmission
of vibration from one part of a struc­
ture to another, its resisting force
does not increase proportionally to
the velocity but only proportionally
to the displacement. In other words,
the further down the structure is
pushed on the spring, the greater
the force of the spring pushing it up;
but the resisting force of the spring
does not increase any more or any
less if the structure moves down
against it quickly or slowly. Also,
during its motion in one direction,
the spring stores up energy which is
released back into the structure as
the spring moves in the opposite di­
rection. With viscous damping on
the other hand, the energy is dissi­
pated within the “dashpot”.

The diagrams of Fig. 8 show
graphically the effect of damping.
The abscissae measure the relation­ship:

\[ \frac{\omega}{\omega_n} \]

period (freq.) of exciting force
natural frequency of structure

The period of the exciting force may
be the period of the external force
(such as machinery) or the period of
vibration of the self-excited force
(such as the Kármán vortex street
or the changing lift pattern of an
airfoil surface).

The ordinates measure the rela­
tionship:

\[ \frac{x}{x_{\text{def}}} \]

amplitude of vibration due to
exciting force
amplitude of deflection due to a
statical force of same magni­
tude

The curves plot the effect of various
degrees of damping, from none to
perfect. Thus, curve A, with no
damping \( c/c_o = 0 \), shows that the
amplitude or deflection goes to in­
finity at resonance; i.e. the structure
would be destroyed. For curve B,
with a damping of \( \frac{1}{8} \) of critical
\( c/c_o = 0.125 \), the amplitude at
resonance is four times as great as
the statical deflection. For curve C,
\( c/c_o = 0.20 \); curve D, \( c/c_o = 0.50 \).
With curve E, showing critical or
perfect damping \( c/c_o = 1.0 \), the
amplitude is always less than the statical deflection, showing that the damping has no effect if the exciting force is applied very, very slowly, but an ever increasing effect as the period of the exciting force increases.

EXAMPLES OF SUSPENSION STRUCTURES

Apart from the suspension bridge, there is to date no generally accepted body of "good practice". Relatively few buildings have been built. The field is new; experiments and patents are many. Pioneers include such engineers as: Fred Severud and Lev Zetlin in the U.S.; Frei Otto in Germany; Bodiansky, LeRicolais, Bernard Laffaille and René Sarger in France.

Principal elements

2. Tension. Main cables and hang-er members.
3. Stiffening. For holding down against wind up-lift, for preventing vibration, for maintaining shape under un asymmetrical loading. May be trusses, diagonal tension stays, guy wires, secondary cables with a curvature upward (these may be prestressed) and the dead weight of the structure itself.
4. Anchorage. For vertical components, may be the ground (bed-rock), the weight of concrete dead-men or the dead weight of part of the structure such as side walls. For horizontal components, may be bed-rock, the resistance to sliding of concrete deadmen, or part of the structure such as a floor, deck or a circumferential ring.

The most promising principles for roof surfaces seem to be:

1. Use two families of cables, one curved downward (concave) and one curved upward (convex).
2. Prestress both families of cables, so that they will always be in tension and never go slack, no matter what the loading. This will require anchorages or edge supports able to withstand forces at least three times as great as if not pre-stressed. Force instead of mass is being used to prevent flutter but a good deal of mass reappears in the anchorages.

If followed correctly for every part of a roof surface, these principles will ensure a "rigid" tensile membrane which can carry any vibrations in loading by corresponding variations in the tensile stresses in the surface. They may not by themselves prevent vibration, however. For this further study is required.

Some examples embodying these principles are shown in Figs. 15 through 18.

The Prestressed Double Dome or "Bicycle Wheel" Roof

This roof (Fig. 14) was developed by the engineer Lev Zetlin of New York for the Municipal Auditorium of Utica, N.Y., designed by Gehron and Seltzer, architects, completed this year. (See ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, August, 1958.)

Its main characteristics are: two sets of cables, one curved upward, one downward, both prestressed. This was done by jacking them apart and inserting the pipe spreaders. The compression ring is under a constant radial horizontal load of about 300 kips per pair of cables, which generates a compressive force of about 3500 kips in the ring. The vertical dead load is only about 8 kips per pair of cables or about 13 lb per sq ft (not including the compression ring). The prestressing enables both sets of cables to share in supporting the dead and live loads. Note how the use of intermediate spreaders enables the cables to be attached to the compression ring at relatively steep angles. The cables can thus carry greater vertical forces for a given total tension.

As vertical loads increase, the tension in the upper family of cables will diminish while that in the lower family will increase. As vertical loads decrease due to wind suction, the reverse will occur. As long as the initial prestressing force is not completely cancelled out, neither family will go slack and the horizontal pull on the compression ring will be constant.

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The greatest advantage of this system is its action as a giant shock absorber. The two sets of cables are of different cross-section, carry different initial tensions and are fastened together by spreaders which are spaced unequally. No matter how the tensions in the two families of cables may vary, their frequencies and wave lengths will differ. Because they are connected by the spreaders, the upper family thus damps any vibration which might start in the lower cables and vice versa. The damping is perfect, corresponding to curve E in Fig. 8.

Although this example shows a 240 ft span, spans up to 1800 ft are possible and would give greater economy per sq ft.

Certain features such as the intermediate spreaders and the use of large prestressing forces are patented (application Serial No. 653,129, April 16, 1957).

Roofs of Negative Curvature

While in the double dome or bicycle wheel roof every point is tied to two systems of cables with opposing curvature, two “surfaces” are needed to accomplish this.

The negative or anticlastic surfaces offer another possibility. Their basic characteristics are shown in Figs. 15 through 18.

Fig. 15 shows a straight-edged surface, with the high points marked A and the low B. The framework necessary to support the surface is indicated in Fig. 16; the struts at A are necessary for the stability of the structure as a whole, the two points of support at B being insufficient unless they were built in as moment connections.

From the edges hang the principal cables, curved downward, which we can call family “a”. Hanging under its own weight, each cable will describe a catenary curve. By themselves these cables would be very unstable, moving under the slightest applied load. A second set of cables is therefore added on top to stabilize them and to resist uplift forces due to the wind. These are all curved upward; call them family “b”. The points of intersection of the cables all lie on a surface of negative curvature. (Only if all the “a” family cables follow the shape of identical parabolas and if all the “b” family cables follow the shape of identical paraboloids would the surface be a true hyperbolic parabola.)

In order to resist the considerable bending set up in the edge beams, structures have been built with the edges curved into arch form so as to resist the pull of the cables by compression alone. Fig. 17 shows this design, which is familiar from the North Carolina State Fair Pavilion (William Dietrich, Architect; Matthew Nowicki, Consultant; Severud-
Elstad-Krueger, Structural Engineers), and which is also familiar from Frei Otto's work in Germany. Note that the edge arches need some vertical support from mullions to assure the stability of the entire structure. In simple hanging roofs of this kind the "b" family of cables is only moderately prestressed and flutter must be prevented by the addition of guy wires attached at critical points and coming off more or less perpendicular to the surface.

The next step is to provide so much prestress in the "b" cables, thus also prestressing the "a" cables (or vice versa), that the surface will be much more resistant to any changes in loading and will act like a rigid membrane.

How to prestress the cables is the difficulty. One solution has been patented by René Sarger and the C.E.T.A.C. (patent No. 1,156,041, Paris, 20 August 1956) and used by him for the French pavilion at the Brussels Fair and other structures. It consists in lowering the points A by pulling down on the edge beam. The inner chord of the edge beam remains in the same vertical plane but is now curved in this plane along the line BA', as shown in Fig. 18. The surface remains approximately that of a hyperbolic paraboloid, but not exactly the same one as before. The weight of the side walls plus footing anchorages at the bottom of the mullions are used to hold the edge down.

It is important to distinguish the action of the various roof shapes which follow the hyperbolic paraboloid:

1. The thin-shell surface, acting as a membrane under uniform vertical loads. Tensile forces follow the lines corresponding to the "a" family and compression forces follow the "b" family. The magnitude of these membrane forces is the same at every point and the compression and tensile forces cancel each other out at the edge. This leaves only a shearing force of the same magnitude, which the edge can support as a relatively slender column.

2. The hanging roof, not prestressed. Under uniform vertical loading no forces can be carried by the "b" family. The relatively large horizontal forces needed to support the ends of the cables of the "a" family require the edges to be designed as beams, supported at A and B. These horizontal forces will vary considerably with changes in snow and wind loads.

3. The prestressed suspension roof. In order to prestress both families of cables, at least three times as large horizontal reactive forces must be permanently provided by the edges. But, for any variation in loading on the roof due to snow or wind, the prestressed surface will now act similarly to the thin-shell roof, up to the point where the "compressive" force set up in the "b" family cancels out the initial tension.

Weights. Prestressed suspension roofs have been built in this shape and also as conoids (as at the Brussels Fair) with remarkably light dead loads, on the order of 3 lb per sq ft for cables and planking for spans of over 200 ft in both directions. However these light loads were achieved only at the cost of very heavy edge beams and vertical supports which brought the average weight up to about 40 psf.

It would appear therefore that suspension systems for roofs will be most suitable and economical when the edge anchorages do not have to be constructed for that purpose alone but can be provided by some elements of structure which are already necessary for other reasons. These might be stadium seats hanging over their bases, the lean-to shops and maintenance areas of a hanger, floors surrounding a central hall or along two ends of a hall, such as one might find in a museum (see Fig. 19).

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TECHNOLOGY IN ARCHITECTURE:
A Contribution — and a Challenge

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In the midst of the uproar created by the architect's current—and vocal—examination of the challenge presented by a burgeoning building technology, and his reappraisal of his own proper role in meeting that challenge, Professor Salvadori here strikes a note calculated to bring out the harmonies inherent in the hubbub. He fully recognizes science's contributions to, and impact on, architecture. Yet he sees for the architect not a new role but a recasting of the oldest rule of all: that of the master-builder. It is no more necessary for the architect of today to be able to design a mechanical system than it was for the builder of yesterday to be able to carve a gargoyle. What is needed, now as then, is for the architect to comprehend the building requirements, to communicate those requirements to the specialists who work with him, and to direct their skills toward a goal that only he can see in all its aspects.

To Professor Salvadori, technology is far from a threat. For those who can grasp its true implications, it represents a unique opportunity to reinstate the timeless definition of architecture as not alone the art but also the science of building.

Modern man faces today a technological culture that—actively or passively—pervades his whole life, influencing his daily chores, his economy, his politics, his future. As a result, the architect, who combines a necessary and vital interest in the psychology and the physiology, the sociology and the economy of his fellow human beings with his wish to plan and build not only the private room, the home and the office, but also the town and the region (if not as yet, perhaps, the entire world in which modern man is active), feels more directly than almost any other professional the impact of technology.

The Role of Technology
Since the United States seems to be recognized today as one of the leading nations in the fields of both architecture and technology, it is of interest to find out what the relationships between the two are in this country, both from the viewpoint of what has been achieved so far and of what may be achieved in the future. Certainly the influence of the collaborating engineer on architecture is deeply and often healthily felt. Moreover, this influence is increasing daily because of the essentially technological character of today's most important architectural problems.

Many of these problems emphasize, by their very nature, the importance of the structure, and cannot be solved without the intimate, early and continued collaboration of the structural engineer. It is he who must decide what is feasible and what appears an impossible dream; it is he who must establish the structural system through which the architect's concept will be materialized.

The Engineer's Contribution: New Materials and Structures
In this country, wood has been the classical material for small buildings, while steel, for a long time, has had a practical monopoly on large structures. Little that is really new has been developed in the field of extruded steel sections, but steel is now playing an important role in another form—the cable, which today allows the economic construction of large tensile structures whose design often requires the collaboration of the aerodynamicist as well as the structural engineer to investigate and minimize the problems of vibration and flutter.

Aluminum too is gaining popularity in a variety of structural applications that go from bridges to the new curtain wall, an economical and rapidly assembled facade element which is one of the more striking esthetic solutions suggested to architecture by building technology, and which is actually changing the face of many an American avenue.

Nevertheless, it is reinforced concrete that has, under the impact of a variety of economic factors, most successfully entered during the last few years many fields formerly monopolized by other materials. Continuity of structural behavior and freedom of form allow the creation of concrete structures that bear little
resemblance to the architectural types of the past, and architects have been more than eager to adopt reinforced concrete in the solution of their problems.

The Engineer's Contribution: New Construction Techniques

Although it is only during the last half-century that the American architect and engineer have thus competed with their colleagues abroad in the use of new materials and in the development of new structural concepts, the American builder has for at least a century been at the forefront in field of construction. Indeed a new era in construction opened up when the engineer put at the disposal of the architect entirely new methods of assembly for many types of buildings.

In concrete construction, to take only one example, precast-prestressed elements put together with tremendous reductions in form costs have already become a solution typical of repetitive structures. The concrete thin shell has been adopted by so many architects in the last ten years that innumerable shell structures now dot our landscape.

In this field as in many others, European examples were at first followed, but by now new and exciting "native" forms have been developed for particular types of roofs. And here too building know-how (inspired perhaps by a high ratio of labor to material costs) has led to the ingenious solution of special construction problems.

Shells have been poured on shaped earth mounds; concrete pneumatically applied to nylon balloons has allowed the inexpensive construction of one-family houses; cantilevered folded plates suspended from, and post-tensioned by, steel cables have offered an economical answer to the airplane hangar problem.

The Engineer's Contribution: New Mechanical-Electrical Services

Although the influence of the engineer on architecture was limited to such structural solutions until a relatively recent date, one of the great revolutions in architecture was produced by the evolution of new services, for which the mechanical and the electrical engineers were entirely responsible.

For example, the vertical development of the tall building and, in particular, of the skyscraper would have been inconceivable without the simultaneous development of improved means of vertical communication. (Automation has now given us elevators safely usable in public buildings one hundred stories high, in which the operation of the single cabin is in the hands of the passenger, and in which the synchronization and the optimization of vertical traffic is governed by a master station.)

Another recent achievement of mechanical and electrical engineering is the development of air conditioning systems so reliable that climate's role in the daily life of the population is minimized. The function of the window has been reduced to that of allowing daylight to enter a closed space. And in situations in which it is felt that daylight is not essential, or may even be detrimental, windows have been abolished altogether. Both light and air are supplied by artificial means, thus creating a completely new type of environment for people to work in.

Is Technology Enough?

This is not the place or the time to discuss whether such achievements are to be considered desirable or not. The essential point is that our technology has reached such perfection as to make these results possible, economical, and acceptable to large masses of the population. Purely technological triumphs are changing the daily life of the United States citizen at an accelerated rate.

One may wonder if this intrusion of engineering in the field of architecture is a positive contribution in all of its aspects, or if sometimes it may not endanger the free development of modern architecture. In this connection, we may mention the opinion advanced by some outstanding engineer-architects to the effect that structure is the all-important ingredient of architecture, and that if one could only make sure that a structure is entirely correct, the architecture it supports would necessarily be good architecture. In other words, some engineers feel that good architecture is a natural by-product of correct engineering.

This is indeed a dangerous and, at least in one man's opinion, an erroneous theory. While no one could challenge the fact that good architecture cannot be obtained unless its structure is properly considered and designed, it is hard to see that the opposite is true. Correct structure must be considered a necessary condition of good architecture, but is not a sufficient condition of it.

As a corollary to this truth, it seems illogical to fear that the engineer will ever supplant the architect in his profession. Such fear has been expressed in recent times by some outstanding American architects, and represents the fear of the humanist confronted by the increasing power of the specialist in our culture.

But if architecture is to maintain its character of an encompassing art and science, if the whole man is to be its field of interest, it is hard to believe that the engineer may be feared. The engineer, by training and natural tendency, is used to dealing with inanimate matter rather than with human beings, to using the purely logical and rigid approach of the scientist, rather than the intuitive and fluid approach of the artist.

The Engineer's Challenge

All the same, one must recognize the fact that today some of the best known builders are engineers and not architects, and that their instinctive love of beauty makes their structures extremely beautiful. There is no doubt that the influence of such engineers is bound to be felt and that wherever the architect puts himself in a subordinate position because of his lack of interest, training and knowledge in technology, the exceptionally endowed engineer will take over. The best man always did and always will win, whether he has the correct label or not.

Thus the architect in the United States must fear the intrusion of the exceptionally endowed engineer, just as the structural engineer may fear the intrusion of the exceptional architect with a deep interest in structures.

One may, at least, consider the new freedoms created by our advanced technology as real dangers to the achievements of the architect. Art is subjugated by limitations of its own choice and by the unrelenting search for truth within the confines of these limitations. For centuries the themes and the solutions available to the architect have been essentially the same, so that the evolution of architecture, although occurring in spurts, has been altogether smooth.
and continuous. All of a sudden incredible problems and unexpected methods of solution have become available. How can we be amazed if our country has developed, together with a lively interest in architecture, an almost chaotic situation?

Too many possibilities have been opened up too suddenly, and the American architect finds himself so free as to be, at times, lost. The question often asked by the architect of the engineer is: "Can this structure be built?", while it should properly be: "Should this structure be built?" With the range of materials available today and with the technological knowledge at our disposal, almost anything can be built. This unlimited freedom is bound to produce, at times, poor results.

The Architect's Answer:
Better Communication

One could ask whether the situation briefly outlined above has parallels outside the United States. The answer is, of course, that in our times basic situations in the professions are common to the whole world, but that specific aspects of the same problem may appear in different form in different parts of the world.

It must be emphasized in this connection that the training of the architect in the United States is not as technologically and scientifically thorough as it is in other nations. Thus, the architect finds himself at a disadvantage in discussing technical problems with his collaborating engineers for lack of a common language. On the other hand, the training of the civil, mechanical, and electrical engineer does not take into account the needs of the architect. No engineer has, because of his training, an insight into the problems of architecture, and only a few individuals are capable of understanding the demands made on them by the architect.

Since the difference in knowledge between a civil engineer and an architect in the field of structures is less accentuated in Europe than in the United States, it will be found that the discourse between the architect and the engineer occurs with less difficulty in Europe and that more architects will make decisions directly on structure than here.

Actually, there are examples in Europe of men who are at the same time architects, engineers and contractors. For them difficulty of communication is non-existent because the architectural problems are unified by a single personality. Is this automatically conducive to better architecture?

It is, if the communication between the professions is so poor as to give an advantage to those who have no communication problems, even though these individuals may lack complete knowledge in the separate fields of architecture, engineering, and construction. It will not be conducive to better solutions if the group of independent, outstanding professionals is capable of thorough communication.

Possibly the worst solutions are obtained when a totally superior architect, without a solid technological background, cows the engineer into accepting all his ideas, or when the outstanding engineer, almost totally ignorant in non-technical fields, cows the architect into an acceptance of his own tenets. This is the origin of the purely utilitarian architecture of some of our modern cities, as well as of some cities abroad, and of the Beaux Arts esthetics still in use in numerous architectural offices throughout the world.

The Architect's Answer:
Productive Collaboration

More and more the demands of society require solutions obtainable only through the collaboration of small and efficient groups of experts in adjoining fields. An electronic computer or an airplane is such a complicated organism that no one of its creators is capable of understanding all of its parts.

Similarly architecture today has become too complex a science for any single person to have the whole of it. Modern architecture is rapidly becoming a group activity, and, perhaps, this is the essential reason why the United States has excelled in it: the tradition of collaboration is deep in our culture and we have developed modes of collaboration in which the members of the group maintain their identity and their intellectual freedom.

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ALUMINUM FINISHES

by J. H. Goodyear, Consultant for Metal Finishing

Aluminum as a building material offers the architect exceptional design versatility. First, it has a unique combination of physical properties: light weight, strength and resistance to atmospheric corrosion. Second, it is available in large sheets of good workability and an almost unlimited variety of extrusions. Third, it can be specified in practically any type of finish.

Finishing procedures allow such a wide range of texture, color and gloss that the most exacting esthetic requirements can be satisfied, but many architects and designers haven't had the opportunity to obtain the basic information concerning these many variations. Even if they have had such an opportunity, they have often become confused, and justifiably so, by the nomenclature of the various processes and the properties that can be expected from them.

In order to realize the potential of aluminum and its finishes, two basic factors must be understood: (1) the material, with its variations in shape and alloy, and (2) the finishes, including pretreatment, the principal coating and the supplementary treatments.

MATERIAL

Basically, there are three standard forms of aluminum used in architectural components—sheets, extrusions and castings. Usually the form or forms used are based on the economy of fabrication, properties needed or effect desired. A discussion of the factors influencing the selection of these forms is beyond the scope of this article, but it is possible to describe the available alloys for each. Unfortunately the alloy of the aluminum shape to be used and its influence on the final appearance are often overlooked.

In many cases it is just as important to specify the type of alloy as to specify the color. Table 1 (page 249) lists the alloys normally used in architectural components, their relative properties and applications. While there may appear to be duplication, actually each alloy has certain characteristics which may influence whether or not it is more useful than another. Some of these characteristics are of minor importance in architectural application, so only the pertinent alloys are listed in the
Building Components

Many of the alloys on the list are presented in two different conditions, i.e., normal and anodizing quality. All the alloys listed can be anodized, but where optimum in clarity and surface uniformity is required, those listed as anodizing quality should be used. Also, these alloys, along with Anoclad 10, should be used where color anodizing (with the exception of gray) is to be the final finish. If a dark gray finish is desired, then RF-40, Anoclad 20, or No. 5 sheet should be used. Both 3003 and 5005 are considered general purpose sheets and usually can be interchanged. The yield strengths of 5005 and 5050 in the full-hard condition differ by only about 10 per cent. Therefore, the properties of 5005 generally apply to alloys 3003 and 5050 as well.

When the application calls for extrusions, the problem of proper alloy selection is not as difficult. The general purpose alloy is 6063. If the application is critical from a strength standpoint, then the 25 per cent higher yield strength of 6061 may be necessary. The only other alloy that must be remembered is 4043 for gray anodized coatings.

In castings for spandrel panels, 43 is the general purpose alloy and, after anodizing, is a color match with 4043 sheet and extrusions. Casting alloy 214 is used where a color match, after anodizing, is required with a 6063 extrusion and/or normal building sheet.

FINISHES

There are six primary types of finishes, and combinations of them, used in architectural work: 1) mill-finish, 2) mechanical finishes, 3) chemical finishes, 4) anodized coatings, 5) paints and coatings, 6) porcelain enamels.

Mill Finish

This is the most familiar and is, as the name suggests, the finish of the raw material as it comes directly from the mill. It might be expected that such a finish would be uniform; however, there tends to be considerable variation from one batch to the next for several reasons. First, the degree of brightness is influenced by the amount of rolling or working of the sheet or, in the case of extrusions, the temperature of extruding, the speed, condition of die, and so forth. Second, it is influenced by the linearity of the metal resulting from the rolling or extruding operation. The appearance of mill finish and many of the subsequent finishes is also influenced by whether the material is viewed parallel or perpendicular to the work direction.

It has been proven by tests of thousands of mill-finish samples, under all types of atmospheric conditions, that aluminum has a high resistance to weathering. As the material weathers, however, there is a change in the surface color and gloss. Weathering produces a tenacious light gray patina. Along with this discoloration there is also a loss of metallic sheen. The appearance of weathered aluminum is not unattractive, and such weathering greatly reduces the variations in the surface mentioned previously.

The rate of discoloration is dependent upon the atmospheric environment, proceeding very slowly in clean atmospheres away from seacoast. Weathering in industrial areas is accompanied by the accumulation of carbonaceous materials, and under these conditions the surface takes on a dirty and streaked appearance unless cleaned occasionallv. Fortunately, the normal weathering products do not stain adjacent materials because of their tenacity. It should be noted that a rough pitting type of oxide does form on those areas which are protected, such as the eaves of a roof. This is caused by atmospheric dirt setting up a pitting type of corrosion, unless washed away by rain. Condensation at these locations also has a detrimental effect.

Mechanical Finishes

These finishes can provide variations in sheen and texture. The surface can be polished to a high reflective mirror finish, or abraded to a dull satin sheen by abrasives and wire brushes. Combinations of bright and satin can give very interesting high lights. Dull satin sheen can also be achieved with sand or grit blasting. In sand blasting, the degree of roughness can be controlled by the particle size or abrasive used. Variations on the same panel from dark grays to satin whites can be obtained by blasting the surface at random, followed by chemical finishing. Another mechanical process is the embossing or pressing of the metal to various surface contours. The pattern may be small in scale or, on the other hand, have larger configurations to break up the flatness of the surface and add rigidity to the sheet. Texturing can also be obtained by perforation.

The weathering characteristics of mechanical finishes without any subsequent top coat for protection are similar to those of aluminum with a mill-finish. In fact, the weathering will often be more severe, since the rough surface will have a tendency to accumulate atmospheric dirt and accelerate corrosion.

Chemical Finishes

Probably the most popular method of changing the surface condition from metallic shine to satin sheen is by chemical treatment. The use of chemicals to etch the surface can be regulated to a certain extent to give various degrees of roughness and sheen. Generally this type of controlled pitting is accomplished with alkalies together with various additives, but there are also various acids and combinations that can be used. The cost of obtaining satin finishes chemically is considerably less than by mechanical means. Again, this finish has the same weathering characteristics as bare aluminum, unless protected with a subsequent coating.

Recently, several conversion-type chemical coatings have been made available for architectural use. One that has been used only sparingly is Alrok. Developed by the Aluminum Company of America it was designed primarily as a paint base, but the coating itself, which has a light gray to yellow green color, has been used architecturally. Its main features are reduction of glare, increased corrosion protection over bare aluminum and addition of color to the surface. (The color sometimes may be mottled.)

Another chemical coating used in architectural components is known as “Architectural Alodine.” This coating can produce surfaces which range in color from clear to various shades of green. If properly applied, “Architectural Alodizing” is uniform and, visually, gives a low reflectivity but there is reportedly no reduction in its reflectivity of radiant heat. The cost of this coating and other so-
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## TABLE 1: SHEET ALLOYS

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<th>Applications</th>
<th>General Properties &amp; Finish Characteristics</th>
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<tr>
<td>1100</td>
<td>Panels, flashing</td>
<td>Low strength sheet with superior formability, good anodizing and corrosion characteristics</td>
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<td>1100 (anodizing quality)</td>
<td>Same</td>
<td>Specially processed for superior anodizing characteristics</td>
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<td>3003</td>
<td>Panels, duct work, gutters, flashing, general purpose alloy</td>
<td>Medium strength sheet with good formability; may show some structural streaking in anodizing and etching</td>
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<tr>
<td>3003 (anodizing quality)</td>
<td>Same</td>
<td>Specially processed for superior anodizing characteristics</td>
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<tr>
<td>Alclad 3004</td>
<td>Roofing, siding</td>
<td>Not normally anodized—high corrosion resistance and higher strength than 3003</td>
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<tr>
<td>5005</td>
<td>Panels, duct work, gutters, flashing, general purpose alloy</td>
<td>Properties similar to 3003—better anodizing characteristics and corrosion resistance than 3003</td>
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<tr>
<td>5050</td>
<td>Panels facia, Mullions, spandrels, sun shades</td>
<td>Good strength with good formability, good corrosion resistance; one of the better anodizing alloys</td>
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<tr>
<td>5052</td>
<td>Same</td>
<td>High strength; good corrosion resistance, especially in salt atmosphere; good anodizing characteristics with thinner coatings</td>
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<tr>
<td>6061</td>
<td>Panels, facia, Mullions, spandrels, sun shades, rolled structural shapes</td>
<td>High strength; good corrosion resistance and anodizing characteristics</td>
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<tr>
<td>RF (Reynolds) 50 Alclad 10</td>
<td></td>
<td>Low strength, excellent finishing characteristics</td>
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<td>RF-40 (Reynolds) Alclad 20 (Alcoa) #5 Architectural sheet (Kaiser &amp; Olin) Alumilite</td>
<td></td>
<td>Medium strength, anodizes with gray color or darkens other anodizing colors; good corrosion resistance</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Panels, spandrels, mullion covers, sun shades, facia</td>
<td>Special alloy which turns gold on anodizing</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Panels, spandrels, mullion covers, etc.</td>
<td>Specially processed alloys for superior anodizing properties</td>
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<td>X8013 (Kaiser)</td>
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## EXTRUSION ALLOYS

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<td>6061</td>
<td>Structural members</td>
<td>High strength with good anodizing characteristics; good corrosion resistance</td>
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<tr>
<td>6062</td>
<td>Same</td>
<td>Similar to 6061 with better extrusion characteristics</td>
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<tr>
<td>6063</td>
<td>Mullions, window members</td>
<td>Good strength and extrusion characteristics; good anodizing properties</td>
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<tr>
<td>Anclad 10 (Alcoa)</td>
<td>Mullions, window members, etc.</td>
<td>Specialty material for good anodizing; good strength</td>
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<td>Anclad 20 (Alcoa)</td>
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<td>Specialty material for gray anodized coatings</td>
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## CASTING ALLOYS

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<td>43</td>
<td>Spandrels, hardware, etc.</td>
<td>Low strength; gray coatings when anodized</td>
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<td>214</td>
<td>Same</td>
<td>Fair strength; clear coatings when anodized</td>
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<td>355</td>
<td>Same</td>
<td>Good strength; dark gray coatings when anodized</td>
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## TABLE 2: ALLOY COLOR MATCH

(Nota: With 30 Minutes Anodized Coating)

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<th>Good Match</th>
<th>Excellent Match</th>
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<td>1100</td>
<td>5005</td>
<td>43 (Casting)</td>
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<td>4043</td>
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<td>5005</td>
<td>1100, 5050, 5052, A214 (Casting)</td>
<td>6061 (Sheet) 6061 (Extrusion) 6063 (Extrusion)</td>
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<td>Olin</td>
<td>NAF</td>
<td>NA-O</td>
<td>Natural</td>
<td>Mill-finish</td>
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<td>Kaiser</td>
<td>CE</td>
<td>R1</td>
<td>Satin texture</td>
<td>Chemical etch</td>
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<td>A1</td>
<td>AN*</td>
<td>204</td>
<td>Natural to straw and green</td>
<td>Anodic coating (Sulphuric type) (0.0004)-in. thick</td>
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<tr>
<td>A2</td>
<td>AN*</td>
<td>215</td>
<td>Clear</td>
<td>Anodic coating (Sulphuric type) (0.0008)-in. thick</td>
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<td>AP1</td>
<td>AP2, 3 &amp; 4</td>
<td>116</td>
<td>(As specified)</td>
<td>Paints, lacquers and enamels</td>
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<td>AP2</td>
<td>AP5</td>
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<td>(As specified)</td>
<td>Porcelain enamel</td>
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<td>S</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>(As specified)</td>
<td>Any finish not specified</td>
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<tr>
<td>M1</td>
<td>ME4</td>
<td>NA-1</td>
<td>Lustrous</td>
<td>Mechanical polish with 320 grit</td>
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<tr>
<td>M2</td>
<td>ME5</td>
<td>A1</td>
<td>Mirror</td>
<td>Mechanical polish and buffing</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>M3</td>
<td>ME1</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>Coarse satin finish</td>
<td>Mechanical finish giving parallel scratch lines 120 to 140 grit</td>
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<tr>
<td>M4</td>
<td>ME2</td>
<td>D</td>
<td>Medium satin finish</td>
<td>As above; 140 to 180 grit</td>
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<td>M5</td>
<td>ME3</td>
<td>C1</td>
<td>Fine satin finish</td>
<td>As above; 180 to 220 grit</td>
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<td>M6</td>
<td>ME6</td>
<td>C2</td>
<td>Hand rubbed</td>
<td>Mechanical finish; stainless steel wool (\geq 0) and neutral soap solution</td>
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<td>M7</td>
<td>K</td>
<td>NA-7</td>
<td>Matte finish</td>
<td>Stainless steel wire brush; wire diameter (0.0095) in.</td>
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<tr>
<td>M8</td>
<td></td>
<td>NA-8</td>
<td>Fine satin finish for uneven surfaces</td>
<td>Mechanical finish; Vonnegut wheel (\geq 220) grit</td>
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<tr>
<td>M9</td>
<td>G4</td>
<td>NA-9</td>
<td>Matte finish; gray appearance after anodizing</td>
<td>Sandblast, 16-20 mesh</td>
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<tr>
<td>M10</td>
<td>ME7</td>
<td>G3</td>
<td>Rough texture</td>
<td>Sandblast; 40 to 50 mesh</td>
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<tr>
<td>M11</td>
<td>ME8</td>
<td>G2</td>
<td>Fine texture</td>
<td>Sandblast; 100 to 200 mesh</td>
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<tr>
<td>M12</td>
<td></td>
<td>NA-12</td>
<td>Textured</td>
<td>Shot blast; appearance varies with size of shot</td>
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**TABLE 3A:** Reynolds Metals Designation

This system is based on a 4 digit designation. The digit significance is as follows:

- **1st Digit—Application:**
  - 3xxx—Architectural Interior
  - 4xxx—Architectural Exterior
  - 5xxx—Automotive
  - 6xxx—Appliance

- **2nd Digit—Color:**
  - x0xx—Clear (gray in Silicon alloys)
  - x1xx—Blue
  - x2xx—Green
  - x3xx—Yellow
  - x4xx—Red
  - x5xx—Gold
  - x6xx—Black
  - x7xx—Brown
  - x8xx—Unused

- **3rd Digit—Preliminary Finish:**
  - xx0x—Mill finish
  - xx1x—Chemically Brightened
  - xx2x—Buffed
  - xx3x—Belt sanded
  - xx4x—Sand blasted
  - xx5x—Satin finished
  - xx6x—Caustic etch
  - xx7x—Buff and Chemically Brightened
  - xx8x—Reylite
  - xx9x—Unused

- **4th Digit—Special Processing Information:**

  NAAMM (National Association of Architectural Metal Manufacturers) designations are tentative pending recommended designations of the Aluminum Association. (See also Metal Curtain Wall Manual published by NAAMM.)
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called conversion coatings is relatively low when compared to the anodic coatings suitable for architectural application. Their main disadvantage is low abrasion resistance.

Another type of finish not to be overlooked is chemical brightening. This is done by treating the aluminum surface with certain chemicals, usually acid. The brilliance will not be retained unless it is protected by a subsequent coating.

**Anodized Finishes**

What is meant by “subsequent coating?” One of the more popular of these is obtained by anodic processing, also known as anodizing, Alumaliting (Alcoa), and various other proprietary trade names. Basically, the process consists of making the piece to be finished the anode in an electrolytic reaction. Various electrolytes can be used, but sulfuric acid is employed for most architectural applications. Briefly, what happens in this process is the build-up of an artificial oxide many times thicker than that produced by nature. This oxide is inherently a corrosion-resistant film, transparent in nature. These coatings alone add nothing to the aluminum in the way of texture or color. Their function is to cover the pretreatments and to act as a type of chemical bond for subsequent treatments. There are exceptions to this rule in that those alloys which have a specific element added may produce a colored anodic oxide. The high-silicon alloys such as 4043 produce a dark gray coating.

Other beneficial properties of anodic coatings include enhanced corrosion resistance and retention of the original appearance with minimum maintenance. Also the anodic surface is quite hard and thus gives resistance to abrasion and erosion.

One of the gravest errors that can be made in anodic coatings for architectural purposes is to use insufficient thickness. Under no circumstances should this coating be less than .004 in. thick, and in an atmosphere contaminated with salt or industrial fumes, it should be increased to .008 in.

Unfortunately, thick coatings may pose a problem. While it is basically true that these coatings are transparent, they tend to be tinted by the elements in the aluminum alloys. Just as the high-silicon alloys such as 4043 tend to give dark gray coatings, so the other additive elements in the various alloys produce a similar effect, but to a lesser degree. Since this effect increases with the thickness of the architectural coatings, care must be taken in selecting alloys, particularly those that will be adjacent to each other in a structure. Table 2 (page 250) gives a list of matching alloys. This table is based on the following effect of alloy content on the tinting of anodized coatings: the 1xxx series gives clear coatings due to its purity; the 3xxx series shows slight yellowing due to manganese; the 4xxx series varies from light gray to black, depending upon the amount of silicon present; the 5xxx series shows slight gray tones; and the 6xxx series very light gray tones.

It is impossible to predict the exact increase in corrosion resistance of anodizing over unprotected metal, since corrosion activity depends upon the environment, but it can be said that the life of the original appearance will be greatly increased.

**Colored Anodic Coatings.** The anodic coating is very porous in the unsealed condition. This property allows the coloring of the coating with certain pigments and dyes which are sealed in place by the use of boiling water, metallic salt solutions or various other means. When properly applied, with the right preliminary treatment, the resulting coatings have beautiful porcelain-like colors.

In the early years there was considerable difficulty with the permanency of the colors. This fading and streaking was due to various factors. First of all, the light-fastness of the dyes used in early color anodizing was inadequate and untested in the field. Secondly, the applicator was not aware of the necessity for very rigid controls during the various stages of the process. Color anodizing at its best is a very difficult process and has many variables. Finally, the actual technology of processing was still in the inception stage.

In the last ten years, however, new dyes have come into existence, and the processor has learned why it is necessary for him to control every variable precisely. Whether or not sufficient developments have been made is still in question. There appears to be agreement that the dark gray coating produced by high silicon alloys and the golds produced by the use of ferric ammonium oxalate have good longevity. Some of the major aluminum companies and manufacturers of the dyes feel that they now have five to 10 colors which will meet the requirements of permanency required in a monumental building. In any case, an architect who is considering color anodizing should get reliable advice.

A new anodizing process developed by Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corporation, known as Kalcolor, develops its color from the alloying materials used in the base metal, similar to the dark grays produced by high silicon alloys. While inherently this method restricts the hues available it should give excellent color fastness. Such colors are appreciable only when the coatings are quite thick, so the corrosion resistance and endurability under outdoor exposure should be quite good. Cost factors in the picture are the thickness of coating required, and the care necessary in production to assure uniform dispersion of the alloying element.

**Paints and Coatings**

It might be said that by far the most important technological developments are the new organic coatings introduced in the last 10 years. To cover all the organics and their variations is beyond the scope of this article, but the architect should be familiar with certain types.

The class of organic used to the greatest extent in the architectural field is probably the clear protective coatings. Two types are most prevalent—the methacrylates and the half-second butyrates. These coatings are non-yellowing lacquers which were developed primarily to provide temporary protection to mill finish and chemically-finished components. They are applied to windows, louvers, etc., to prevent pitting, discoloration and staining from mortar, as well as to give protection from damage during shipping and erection. These coatings have proven in the field that they are more than temporary coatings and have histories of five- to 10-year lives. The retention of the lacquers on the surface greatly aids self-cleaning and protects against oxidation and dis-

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coloration. The lacquers have good adhesion and, if properly applied, will not peel or spall. All surfaces which are mill-finished, etched, mechanically finished or anodized should be protected with a similar lacquer coating with a thickness of at least .0006 in. Care should be taken to select a lacquer which will not yellow when exposed to sunlight.

Of the opaque coatings, the alkyds have been used to greatest extent in the past. They have good adhesion, flexibility, hardness and color retention. They were the dominant coating for many years, mainly because none better were available. Yet they have their shortcomings. The life of these organics is less than that required for most architectural uses. To give the exact anticipated life is impossible because of the environment and other factors, but it is generally agreed that somewhere in the neighborhood of eight to 12 years is the anticipated life.

The alkyds are now being replaced in many applications with some of the newer developments such as the vinyls, acrylics and epoxies. These are the coatings of the future. This may appear to be ambiguous as far as the vinyls are concerned because they have been in existence for quite a few years, but it is only lately that formulations have been developed that bring out their full potential. It has been said that the most outstanding development in the organic field is the introduction of epoxy resins. These resins formulated into coatings have shown very intriguing properties. There is no question as to their ability to withstand almost all known reagents. They are almost completely impervious to moisture. Unfortunately, the scientific evaluation of the newer epoxy formulations is based on two to three years of longevity and short-time accelerated tests. Even so, when these results are compared to those available from other types of organics, the epoxies are outstanding.

Formulations first developed with epoxies showed bad chalking characteristics. Many formulations have been developed in the last few years to reduce this to minimum. One manufacturer has reported that the chalking characteristic of a newly developed formulation is superior to that of alkyds. It is believed that these organics will have at least twice the longevity of the alkyds.

Porcelain Enamel Coatings
There is no doubt that porcelain enamel is a quality coating. Its durability is outstanding when applied on aluminum. It resists impact and corrosion, and increases the rigidity of the sheet as much as 60 per cent. Sheets so coated may be cut and shaped without fear of progressive spalling along cut edges. And because of the ceramic nature of porcelain enamel, permanency and self-cleaning properties are outstanding. At present, the cost of this coating is higher than some of the ones mentioned earlier, and because the coating must be fired at high temperatures, certain processing difficulties are encountered as well as the deterioration of the physical properties of certain alloys. However, it is likely these difficulties will soon be mitigated.

DESIGNATIONS
Because of the many variables and complexity of the finishing of aluminum, the designation of coatings becomes correspondingly complex. It is further complicated by the fact that a standard system has not yet been established in the industry. Table 3 gives the present designations as used by five of the major aluminum producers in the United States and Canada. It should be noted that, with the exception of Reynolds, each operation has a specific symbol. But since several different operations may be performed to obtain a specific finish, several of the symbols may be grouped. As an example, suppose we take the designation of Aluminum Company of America—204 A1 R1. This symbol would then be translated as mechanically polished, caustic etched, and anodized for 30 minutes.

It can be seen how complicated and exacting the science of aluminum finishing can be. This is especially true if the architect is not familiar with the many possibilities and variables. It has been aptly said, "The surface treatment can be manipulated in so many ways that aluminum becomes the metal with a thousand faces".
Roofing Roller Controls Membrane Thickness

A new pressure-fed roller is said to increase efficiency of application and control of coating thickness when used to apply roofing systems based on fluid coatings of Du Pont's neoprene and Hypalon, synthetic rubbers which cure to form elastic membranes permanently adhered to the roof deck.

The Levelcoater roller delivers the elastomeric material by air pressure to a specially designed rotary roof mop at a rate controlled by the operator via a valve on the applicator handle. The application equipment also includes an air-operated, piston type drum pump with a capacity of 2 1/4 gallons per minute. Designed to fit through the bung of a standard 55-gallon drum, the pump is powered by a 20-cubic foot air compressor. A 100-ft neoprene air hose and fifty feet of solvent-resistant fluid hose are supplied with the unit, as are two rotary roof mops in 6- and 18-in. sizes.

All parts of the applicator are light-weight and non-sparking. Since the device gives a closed system from shipping container to working surface, it eliminates air contact which might cause webbing before application. Aeroil Products Co., Inc., Westley St., South Hackensack, N. J.

Fiberglass-Resin Coating Resists Corrosion

Fiberglas Flake, a spray coating that provides a corrosion-resistant surface for metals, wood and concrete, has been developed concurrently with a special De Vilbiss spray gun unit for applying it.

A homogeneous mixture of Fiberglas flakes, resin, fillers, accelerator and pigment (if desired), the coating has shown virtually no deterioration in accelerated weathering tests, and equally good results in laboratory tests. The fiber reinforcement of the resin is said to increase impact resistance and hold shrinkage to a minimum, thereby improving the adhesive properties of the coating. In addition, crawling or sagging of the coating is eliminated by the high shear force between the layers of flake and resin. The problem of pinholes found with some types of protective spray coatings now on the market is minimized by the isolation of voids with many layers of flake glass, and by rolling the coating after spraying to give the desired smoothness and orient the flakes.

When a pigment is specified, the coating combines protection and decoration in a single application: a 20 mil thickness is roughly equivalent to 50 coats of paint.

This combination is expected to make the coating highly useful as a liner for concrete flooring, as a water sealant for concrete block and slab walls, and as an exterior coating for steel, as well as for those applications where corrosion is a major problem. Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., 717 Fifth Ave., New York 22, N. Y. or De Vilbiss Co., 300 Phillips Ave., Toledo 1, Ohio

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The Ren-Coat system was developed by the R. L. Stevenson Co. of Seattle about six years ago and has undergone use-testing since then. Its versatility is demonstrated in the photograph (right) which shows application of the membrane to plywood, sheet metal, cement block and wide gage chicken wire. Ren Plastics, Inc., Dept. RP-66, 5422 S. Cedar Rd., Lansing 9, Mich.
Electric Console Unit Heaters

Commercial Aluminum Windows
(A.I.A. 16-E) File folder contains full, half- and quarter-size details, and specifications, on Algonzo line of commercial aluminum windows. Albritton Engineering Corp., P. O. Box 31, Bryan, Tex.

General Bathroom Products
Describes and illustrates bathroom medicine cabinets and chrome accessories. General Bathroom Products Corp., 1056 N. Wood St., Chicago 22, Ill.

Facts and Counsel
... on Elevator Planning outlines the advantages of professional counsel in planning for elevators, escalators or other vertical transportation, and discusses the role of the consultant firm from initial analysis to final check-out. 12 pp. Charles W. Lerch & Associates, Elevator Consulting Engineers, Board of Trade Bldg., Chicago 4, Ill.

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Fact Book
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Limestone Specifications and Details
(A.I.A. 8-B-2) Illustrates various finishes and installations of Indiana limestone; and gives physical characteristics, product and setting specifications, detail drawings, charts on load bearing requirements of limestone lintels and on heights of regular and modular brick courses, and anchor and support details. 28 pp. Indiana Limestone Co., Inc., Bedford, Ind.

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(A.I.A. 30-C-41) Describes, illustrates, and gives technical and selection data on the Sunnywall Type N fin-pipe radiation system for forced hot water or steam radiation heating of commercial, institutional and industrial buildings. 24 pp. Crane Co., 836 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago 5, Ill.*

What You Should Know
... About Interior and Exterior Weatherstripping discusses weatherstripping against drafts, noise, dust, leaks and light; and describes the various types of weatherstrip materials and their use. 14 pp. Pemko Mfg. Co., Emeryville, Calif.

Fluorescent Lamp Ballasts
Buyer's Guide ATC-110 provides up-to-date information on Kool-Koil ballasts, Advanguard thermally protected ballasts, and SHO and Powegroove ballasts. Advance Transformer Co., 2950 N. Western Ave., Chicago 18, Ill.

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Public Pool Booklet
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6-16 Machine Tool Show; of equipment and products which keep machine tools running—International Amphitheater, Chicago
7-9 Joint Automatic Control Conference, sponsored by American Society of Mechanical Engineers, American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Institute of Radio Engineers, Instrument Society of America, American Institute of Electrical Engineers—Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge
11-15 62nd Annual Conference, American Institute of Park Executives—Long Beach, California
11-16 National Technical Conference, Illuminating Engineering Society—Penn-Sheraton Hotel, Pittsburgh
15-18 Annual Convention, Society of American Registered Architects—Statler Hilton Hotel, Dallas
25-29 42nd National Recreation Congress—Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.
26-28 Ninth Annual Meeting, Standards Engineers Society—Hilton Hotel, Pittsburgh
27-30 Sixth Annual Convention, Prestressed Concrete Institute—Statler-Hilton Hotel, New York City

October
5-7 39th Annual Meeting and Chapter Presidents Conference, the Producers’ Council—Drake Hotel, Chicago
8-16 10th Pan-American Congress of Architects—Buenos Aires
8-16 American Institute of Decorators Show, sponsored jointly by Resources Council of the A.I.D., the New York Chapter of the A.I.D., and the New York Herald Tribune; theme, “Decoration and Design 1961”—Seventh Regiment Armory, New York City
9-13 National Convention (third of three in 1960), American Society of Civil Engineers—Boston
11-14 Eighth Annual Workshop Convention, Architectural Woodwork Institute—Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D.C.
11-15 Annual Meeting, American Council of Independent Laboratories—Deauville Hotel, Miami Beach
17-21 48th Annual National Safety Congress—Conrad Hilton and other hotels, Chicago
17-21 National Metal Exposition—Philadelphia
19-23 5th Annual Convention, California Council, American Institute of Architects—Yosemite National Park
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Michael D. Schwartz, Registered Architect, announces the formation of Michael D. Schwartz & Associates, Registered Architects-Construction Coordinators. Associates are: James S. Gaspari, A.I.A.; Sid Dyer; and Sidney Schwartz, administrator. New offices are at 114 East 32nd St., New York 16, N.Y.


The firm name of Robert W. Talley, Architect, 805 Lovett Blvd., Suite 203, Houston 6, Texas, has been changed to Robert W. Talley and Associates.

Three new partners and four new associates have been admitted to the architectural firm, Sargent-Webster-Crenshaw & Folley, whose offices are in Syracuse, Watertown, Plattsburgh, and Schenectady, N.Y. The new partners are: Edward H. Wells, chief engineer; William Stevenson Young, general manager; and Robert W. Malmros, project architect. New Associates are: Donald P. Barner, chief specification writer; Edwin B. Bruce and Arthur C. Friedel, Jr., project architects; and John H. Deierlein, project architect.

The firm name of Ziegler, Childs & Paulson, Architects-Engineers, of 921 Bergen Ave., Jersey City 6, N.J., has been changed to the Office of Valdemar H. Paulsen. Architects. Mr. Paulsen became sole owner of the firm after the death of Christian H. Ziegler several years ago and the previous retirement of Fred S. Childs. Newly appointed associate members are Frederick W. Menne and Richard B. Rivardo.

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Congress Allows $920.4 Million For 1961 Military Construction

Most of the appropriations for construction programs were cleared by Congress before it recessed for the conventions. Actions on funds for the Hill-Burton hospital construction program and for general civil works construction were the two notable exceptions. Further work on and clearance of these appropriations were held over till August.

A resolution pushed through before the recess allowed all agencies not covered by final appropriations action to operate on last year's basis until their specific money for fiscal 1961 could be cleared.

The compromise on the military construction measure already was reached before the lawmakers left Washington in July. The House had voted $867.1 million and the Senate increased this to just over $1 billion. The conference committee agreed on $920.4 million, divided among the services as follows: Army, $148.4 million; Navy, $162.5 million, and Air Force, $609.5 million. This compared with an appropriation for fiscal 1960 of $1.3 billion.

Final action also was taken before the recess on money for the public buildings program of the General Services Administration. The House first voted $144.8 million for building 20 projects. The Senate raised the amount to $171.9 million, urging that some of the increase go for fallout shelters in the new buildings. As the measure went to the White House, it contained $165.4 million.

Also in the Independent Offices appropriation measure was $20 million for elderly housing, $80 million for Federal-aid airport construction, $150 million for slum clearance and urban renewal, $6 million for a reserve of planned public works projects, and $75 million for construction and improvement of Veterans Administration hospitals.

Four Changes Mark Extension Of GI Home Loan Act

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The new help in planning displays and exhibits

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- Cost 30-40 Percent Less—Similar comments came from Cleveland where Architect Eugene W. Gray and Contractor William Passalacqua were responsible for constructing the new $600,000 Child Welfare Division Building.

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- On Pittsburgh Job—When Steeltex was combined with Pittsburgh Steel’s wire mesh to support 60,000 square feet of concrete floor slabs at Canevin High School in Pittsburgh, Steeltex was specially commended for its installation features.

Joseph V. Cutfuly, job superintendent for the general contractor, Navarro Corporation of Pittsburgh, likes Steeltex because “it takes more punishment during installation than a sheet metal, goes down faster and is much easier to handle.”

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- New Users Like Steeltex—Steeltex also is endorsed by new users such as the architectural firm of Charles Bacon Rowley and Associates, Inc., and Ernst Payer, and Contractor Albert M. Higley Company, both of Cleveland. They teamed up on building the $805,000 Western Reserve Historical Society Museum in their city.

Superintendent Albert M. Higley Jr. estimated "perhaps a four percent savings was realized by using 11,500 square feet of Steeltex instead of placing conventional roof structures."

- Will Use Again—Another satisfied new user is Irving D. Robinson, architect for the new $325,000 Luria Brothers Building in Cleveland.

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tended by Congress for two more years with four VA-recommended changes designed to make the Act more workable. Private home builders have not been too enthusiastic about their potential performance under the law in the years ahead.

The four changes are these:

1. Lenders participating in the program are enabled to obtain a guarantee on veterans’ loans that were closed without first getting the required certifications of intent to occupy, as required by law. Previously, if the veteran occupied the home but the lender failed to obtain the certification of intent to occupy, the loan was not eligible for guarantee.

2. It now is required that the veteran’s deposit or down payment on a home be put in a special account where it cannot be attached by the seller’s creditors.

3. A special account is established in the U. S. Treasury for the VA, making program administration easier.

4. A technical amendment changes the wording to assist lenders and title companies.

The two-year extension applies both to guaranteed loans and direct home loans for veterans of World War II and the Korean conflict. Both would have expired July 25 without the action. An additional authority of $150 million for the programs was thus assured.

Closer Planning Coordination

Asked on Military Housing

The coordination of troop objectives with housing need has been pointed out by a report of the Senate preparedness subcommittee on military housing. The 135-page document calls for a closer coordination by the Department of Defense between military strength and the future needs of military family housing. In this respect, it supports previous reports from both appropriations and armed services committees of Congress.

The Senate subcommittee insists that there is an urgent and continuing need for a closely coordinated continued on page 357
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family housing program geared to coincide with the long-range troop objectives of the Department of Defense.

The report represents the first time that military housing laws have been gathered together in a single volume and codified. Much of the document concerns itself with detailing the Capehart housing program, appropriated fund military housing and Wherry Act housing. The numbers of units constructed under each statute and the number under construction are given.

One of the significant conclusions reached is that the programs continue to list larger and larger deficits in housing for the military while projected troop strength plans show a drop in total military population.

Since 1955, troop strength in all three of the services dropped by 400,000—from 2,887,000 to 2,487,000—while at the same time the statements of deficits in housing have gone up from 247,000 units to 310,000.

Subcommittee Chairman Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas (then not yet the Democratic Vice Presidential nominee), said the report constitutes a call for closer coordination of planning rather than a criticism of the need for adequate housing facilities for the military. Only through such coordination can maximum utilization be made of available community housing with the resultant savings of defense dollars which might otherwise go to high priority weapons system programs, he added.

U.S. “Goals” on Housing Starts

Opposed by N.A.H.B. Board

The National Association of Home Builders does not favor any move by the Federal government in the direction of establishing annual home start quotas. At its recent Board of Directors meeting in Washington, D. C., the organization officially opposed by resolution Federal legislation that would attempt to establish either as a maximum or a minimum any number of housing starts in any given year.
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