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Conflict over low-income housing: Where should the architect stand?

In the matter of creating low-income housing that meets the needs of the people involved, the wishes (or perhaps demands) is the word) of the community involved, and the professional standards of the architects involved, it seems to me we're a little out of control.

Two years ago, in our 75th Anniversary Issue, we wrote: "Architects and planners engaged in urban renewal projects must spend many hours working with neighborhood organizations which consist mainly of slum dwellers, banded together to protect what they perceive as their interests, and to strive for what they consider to be their rights... The organized poor, when left out of the planning dialogues, raise their newfound voices, and thereby achieve major delays in urban renewal, sometimes halting a project completely."

What has begun to happen since—add another dimension to the contradiction and conflict—is disagreement not just among factions within the organized poor, but factions within "the government," and factions within the tax-paying middle-class.

Most city governments—highly responsive, as a matter of political necessity, to the wishes of the slum dweller—have brought neighborhood organizations into the planning process. This system, whatever its benefits (and there are many) delays the process. The delay is compounded by growing struggles for leadership within black communities.

This delay brings frustration on all sides, and in New York has brought the state government in with both feet. James Gaynor of the New York State Division of Housing & Community Renewal argued recently that: "[New York City] leadership has abdicated its responsibility to lead. The concept of planning by those within the neighborhood has been exaggerated to the extent that fundamental responsibilities are ignored. The City has relied upon the neighborhood to determine the type of housing and redevelopment to be effected, and the community, in turn, unable to speak with one voice, has been fractionalized and subjected to its own internal division. The result has been that group opposes group, minority opposes minority, planner opposes consultant, and stalemate opposes progress." Governor Rockefeller's solution: a state Urban Development Corporation with the power to build without the involvement of city processes and over the protests of local community groups.

And while slum-community leaders argue among themselves, and government argues with government, middle-class whites argue with their consciences. A majority have said at the polls that they favor real help for slum dwellers, but plans that affect their own community bring out in many fears of economic loss and in many others expressions of that thin line between unreasonable racial bias and reasonable frustration at having to pay someone else's rent so that he can become a neighbor.

What position should the architect take amidst this struggle? For some, the answer is advocacy planning. For others, the answer is to abdicate responsibility by ducking such commissions. For still others, the answer is to take the somewhat arrogant position that "I know what these families should have and don't need to listen to what they think they want."

But for most architects, the most sensible position, it seems to me, would be something like this: Some involvement with community groups is needed, if for no other reason, "to keep the community peace." But more importantly: The architect who is going to design within a slum community needs, as with any "client," some understanding of the physical image that the community begins to create as soon as it learns that something is going to be built on its turf.

He also needs to soak up the community wisdom. For example, we've long since learned that the urban poor do not have the same admiration for grass and backyards as the suburban middle-class—and much more sophisticated insights are available to the architect who looks and listens for them.

But the architect must realize that the physical images that the slum dweller projects are based on very limited experience, and must be carefully interpreted. Indeed, in every facet of the design, it is the architect's job to create in a rational and achievable fashion a far better and more imaginative result than the community can express for itself—within the framework and limitations established by the taxpayers and their governments. And that—the architectural job—is a difficult enough challenge.

—Walter F. Wagner, Jr.
A smile, a frown, and an insight

Said architect, planner, and author Albert Mayer (who always says what he has to say with the precisely right word) in a speech to the (New York) Governor’s Conference on Aging: “More and more the tendency is gaining ground to pigeon-hole the Aging: whether into low-rental high-rise concentrations for the poor, or gilded-happy or pseudo-happy or vegetable-happy shuffleboard players in Antiques-by-the-Sea in Florida. We need these people, and we can’t afford to let them graze, whether wealthily or poorly.”

Said James William Gaynor, Commissioner of the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal (who always says something that makes me angry—see also overleaf) in a speech in Milwaukee: “...the insistence upon creation of developments which satisfy their [i.e., municipal officials’] esthetic idiosyncracies, and their interference with decisions concerning site layout, design and concept hamper, hamstring and often lead to abortion of the proposed development.”

Said A.I.A. President Robert Durham (who, it seems to me, almost always makes very good sense) in a speech to the Gulf States Regional Conference: “It is possible that the great innovators of architecture in our time will not be form-givers at all, but those who invent political and procedural techniques for making effective design possible.”

Works of art vs. the city: is there any debate?

The jury of the 1968 Honor Awards Program this year premiated 20 entries (shown on pages 40-43 of this issue) and also delivered a report that seems to debate a point I at least thought was well past debate. While noting that “the Jury is permitted to judge only the entries submitted—not all structures completed...” it reported that “the Jury...in their deliberations were overwhelmed by the limits of architectural participation in the environment of the United States...”

The environment for most of us is the new urbanism, but this was not reflected in the entries.

The report noted that “most of the projects submitted were isolated ‘works of elegant architecture’—as in a showcase, not representative of urban life and its ghetto,” and argues that “the profession has too obviously become the visual connection with the affluent sector of our society... In terms of esthetics, the general level is increasingly egalitarian and still imbued with the tricky and vogueish... The majority of the Jury... suggests a larger overview than the contented client and the au courant esthetic. It suggests that raising the standards and restoring the urban environment, however, modest, must be recognized as worthy architecture. The A.I.A. should encourage in future Honor Award Programs the submission of projects which deal with problems of the inner-city.”

Well, sure it should, distinguished jurors. Because if the entries in this distinguished competition were “works of elegant architecture” forming “the visual connection with the affluent sector of our society,” that’s not what’s happening, as I see it, across the country. I’m encouraged to think by what we see to publish (and especially by examples like the low-income housing presented on pages 147-166 of this issue) that the “limits of architectural participation in the environment of the United States” are getting wider and wider all the time.

Is there really any debate about the importance to the profession of the city and its problems?

“Voila!”

One of the good things that happens to you when you are the editor of the RECORD is that you are invited to join the jury of the Homes for Better Living Competition, which is jointly sponsored by A.I.A., American Home, and House & Home. There were 261 entries in the custom-house section this year and the jury, charged by A.I.A. President Bob Durham, finally gave three Honor Awards, six Awards of Merit and ten Honorable Mentions—which is a lot of awards to give at such competitions go, and a reflection, I am encouraged to think, of continued (maybe even increasing) interest by architects in residential architecture. We were also pleased that we had published ten of the premiated houses, and seven were RECORD HOUSES.

But what I’d really like to report on this page is some of the comments made by the jury and (in their entry folders) by the entrants. They have absolutely no significance, but you might enjoy them.

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A.I.A. elects 76 Fellows; names slide show contest winners

Seventy-six members of the American Institute of Architects have been elected to the College of Fellows. Formal investiture will take place on June 24 at the A.I.A.'s annual convention in Portland, Oregon. Also announced by the Institute were three winners in its first annual nationwide chapter slide show competition, the winners to be shown at the convention.

The winning slide shows were chosen from 25 chapter entries. Participants were required to interpret concerns and activities of architects in American cities. The three winning submissions were: "California—Three Images"; "Whither Tacoma"; and Houston's "Billboards, Limited!". Serving on the jury were architects Millard E. Gooch, chairman, Greenwood Hills, California; Harold T. Spitznagel, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; and Kenneth W. Brooks, Spokane, Washington.

The 76 new Fellows will bring the total membership of the College of Fellows to 817. Among the new Fellows is Elisabeth Kendall Thompson, a senior editor of ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, elected in the categories of "Literature" and "Service to Profession." The new Fellows were selected by a jury comprised of the following Fellows of the Institute: Joseph D. Murphy, chairman, St. Louis; Daniel Schwartzman, New York City; William Stephen Allen, Jr., San Francisco; Reginald H. Roberts, San Antonio; William J. Bachman, Hammond, Indiana; Clinton Gamble, Fort Lauderdale, Florida; and Paul Hunter, attending alternate.

The complete list of new Fellows with their categories of election, follows:

North Carolina, service to profession; Henry Chandlee Forman, Easton, Maryland, literature; Louis Edwin Fry, Washington, D.C., education; Harmon H. Goldstone, New York City, public service; and Aaron G. Green, San Francisco, design.

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Steven A. Hansen

A little Grope in '68!

Politics were not as usual at Harvard's Radcliffe School of Design one day last month when the GSD, the Carpenter Art Center, and The Architects Collaborative proclaimed Walter Gropius as their candidate for President on the straight Bauhaus ticket, at a party in Robinson Hall in honor of his 85th birthday. Banners, butts, balloons and straw hats urged everyone to "Hope with Grope" and find Total Scope with Grope." It was an old-fashioned party—no psychedelic films and no "rock." Over 300 guests drank champagne, ate strawberries and listened to "Hope with Grope" and find Total Scope with Grope." It was an old-fashioned party—no psychedelic films and no "rock." Over 300 guests drank champagne, ate strawberries and listened to "Hope with Grope" and find Total Scope with Grope." It was an old-fashioned party—no psychedelic films and no "rock." Over 300 guests drank champagne, ate strawberries and listened to "Hope with Grope" and find Total Scope with Grope." It was an old-fashioned party—no psychedelic films and no "rock." Over 300 guests drank champagne, ate strawberries and listened to "Hope with Grope" and find Total Scope with Grope." It was an old-fashioned party—no psychedelic films and no "rock."
The General Telephone Building, Santa Monica, California, at left, designed by architects and engineers Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall—Cesar Pelli, director of design—is a 21-story, square-plan tower providing column-free office space. The structure stands outside the walls and is composed of large hollow columns freestanding and cylindrical at the base, engaged and half-round above and ending in a bullnose detail. The wall is stretched as a skin, curved around the corners, over the parapet and under the soffit at the lobby. The columns and spandrels are smooth-finished, densified precast concrete with thin mullions clad in concrete gray PVC.

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The winners were selected from among 377 submissions by a jury comprised of: Max O. Urbahn, New York City, chairman; Joseph Amisano, Atlanta; Sigmund F. Blum, Detroit; Joel M. Morse, Seattle; Walter A. Netsch, Chicago; and James Hunter, Boulder, Colorado, advisor. For a discussion of part of the jury's report, see page 10.
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I have read the careful letter by ASP (April, page 48). May I draw some fundamental industrial considerations before your readers feel seduced into the module-space-race:

1. Industrialization is best defined as "a productive method based on mechanized and organized processes of repetitive character" (source: Ciriibi). We note that: (a) It concerns how tasks are performed, not what is made; though the two are obviously related. (b) It involves mechanization and organization—within a competitive context these must be justified by corresponding savings in direct labor—where mechanization and organization occur is not significant. (c) The necessary pre-condition is that there should be repetition of the processes. Without this repetition it is neither possible nor worth while to set up the new technologies.

2. Industrialization is a question of degree. Already there is no building which owes nothing to industrial processes (the brick, the milled stud, the nail, glass—the list would be long but equally there is no building which owes nothing to manual processes (even the mobile home). The challenge is to increase the use of industrialization.

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Architects and engineers reaffirm ethical stand on bidding

Both A.I.A. and C.E.C. took note of the implications of the bidding procedure in relation to the ethical stands of both societies against competitive bidding on professional design commissions. While A.I.A. had taken no formal action at press-time, it was certain to be a subject for close examination at upcoming meetings. The Consulting Engineers Council, at their New York meeting in May, issued a policy statement derived from discussions of the HUD incident but making no direct reference to the HUD program. The C.E.C. statement said in part: "Consulting Engineers Council/US reaffirms to any possible client be it governmental, civic, industrial, political or private, that any price competition solicitation of services of any nature to a derivative member-at-large, of Consulting Engineers Council/US or to any of its association members is against the best interests of its clients; and any class of member who responds to such a solicitation is in a position to be deprived of his membership in CEC/US."

Expulsion from C.E.C. for competing on "service of any nature" seems to close the door to the possibility of redefining some classifications of professional work to allow engineers and architects to engage in "research and development" under the somewhat different ethical regulations applying in that field.

When is R & D a design commission?

For architects, whose opportunities in expanded services are likely to raise many such questions, the ethical posture is not so simply assumed. It is fairly common experience to mention costs of services in many preliminary discussions of work. The nature of these first-phase HUD contracts is such that budgets to finance investigation can conceivably be defined without putting architects in direct competition on price. In any case, some would hold that research and development is not a design service and, therefore, can be performed in a different ethical climate.

Professional problems increase with the scope of work

Competing on price is one thing. Competing for ideas is another. As one architect observes, architects are increasingly called upon for ideas and proposals preliminary to granting of commissions. The HUD program underscores the scale of work that is rapidly emerging in such pro-

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posals. Professional firms are finding out that the cost of preparing analyses and presentations on speculation at this new scale calls for reassessment of the whole procedure—which on ethical grounds or any other.

Another aspect of the proliferation of professional problems is the entrance of non-architectural firms into design fields by way of this federal proclivity for designing many of their current proposals as research and development. Westinghouse, for example, already deeply committed in urban development through various subsidiaries, has set up a new company to carry out all phases of urban renewal projects to provide low income housing. Under the name Urban Systems Development Corporation, the subsidiary will have headquarters in Washington with objectives to "develop and sell low income housing. Federally supported programs and establish, rehabilitate, operate or manage urban projects." Another development that seems to indicate one direction Westinghouse's pursuit is their recent commissioning of American Plywood Association Research Laboratories as consultants in the In-City program.

New commissions show wider scope for architects

The accent appears to be on growth, special services and increased interdisciplinary collaboration among architects across the country in these reports of new projects and management reorganization.

A joint venture group has been commissioned to plan Sao Paolo's growth to the year 2000. Sao Paulo is the largest city in South America (second largest in the hemisphere) with a population of approximately 5.5 million. Principal firms in the joint venture are Leo A. Daly Company, planning, architecture, engineering firm; Asplan, economic and comprehensive planning consultants; Montreal, engineering, transportation and regional development planning firm; and Wilbur Smith & Associates, specialists in traffic and transportation. Collaborating firms will include Hazen & Sawyer, a firm specializing in water supply and sanitary engineering, and Real Estate Research Corp., specializing in economic studies.

With the first phase of the $115 million Crown Center Redevelopment undertaking in Kansas City now in schematics, owners Hallmark Cards, Inc. have named the Concordia Estates Development Company as project management consultants. The firm will perform construction management services, schedule and supervise construction, and conduct cost control studies. Edward Larrabee Barnes is coordinating architect and master planner for the venture, Marshall & Brown, Inc. will prepare structural design, working drawings and specifications; and off-site engineering services will be performed by Black & Veatch.

A wide variety of planning disciplines including ecology, marine biology and soils analysis will collaborate to determine the master plan for Evergreen State College, Olympia, Washington. Jointly heading the project study will be Donald H. Grugel for Quinton Engineers, Ltd., and Robert L. Durham for Durham, Anderson & Freed.

"To service the specialized interests of its clients," and to provide a "sound basis for continuing expansion," A. Epstein and Sons, Inc. has formed four divisions: a food processing and distribution division, a manufacturing and warehousing division, a commercial housing and institutional division, and an office division.

The first nationwide Space Architecture Conference has been inaugurated by California's East Bay Chapter of the A.I.A. Under the chairmanship of James B. Atken of Atken and Collin, Architects and director of the Space Architecture Research and Development Institute, the committee will explore design problems the space architect will face such as use of new materials in combating zero gravity, extremes in temperature, pressure and confinement.

The Post Office Department has retained Leo A. Daly Company to prepare plans and specifications for mechanization of a mail handling facility. In the past, the Department used staff person for such work. The project is at New Haven, Conn., where a 320,000 square foot addition is to be built to the New Haven Post Office.

An inter-disciplinary team of architects, engineers, economists and professional experts of allied fields were retained by the Southern California Rapid Transit District to accomplish the study and design work for a rail and bus network. Karl G. Kent and Associates of Daniel, Mann Johnson and Mendhall associated together as a joint venture to accomplish route selection, station location, and the planning and engineering of the design and functions of the proposed physical facilities, and their construction. Coverdale & Colpitts of New York City was retained to formulate traffic and revenue data. Stone and Young, municipal financing consultants, San Francisco, reviewed the plan for public financing in the first phase of construction. M.J. Nishkian & Company, Long Beach, undertook route planning, and engineering the Airport-Southwest Corridor project, while Day & Zimmerman, Inc., Philadelphia, handled the express study of the Airport-Southwest Corridor. Stanford Research Institute, Menlo Park, completed an in-depth analysis of the benefit-cost relationship of the project. Simpson & Brown, Philadelphia, systems analysts, investigated modes of transit systems.

State officials move for national building code

Early last month, a group of state building code officials met at the National Bureau of Standards to work out the idea of a national building code congress to be held sometime in the future.

For years, critics have claimed the many irregularities among building and housing codes have been a chief cause for the lack of an industrialized homebuilding industry.

Several of the model code-writing groups (such as the Building Conference of America or the Southern Building Code Congress) have tried to work out differences through various liaison groups, without much success. Many communities insist on changes from the model codes, somewhat nullifying uniformity among the model codes.

Building researchers at the Bureau of Standards feel the NBS-run conference of state weights and measures officials will provide an excellent pattern for convening a similar group of state building code officials.

No one yet has worked out how state officials can validly represent all of the local building code officials since, unlike weights and measures, administration building regulations has been largely the province of cities and towns.

But the meeting at NBS accurately reflects the growing concern in Washington about the so-called "code mess." The American Institute of Architects, through its long tradition of fellowship with large major building materials manufacturers, has quietly been working in the void of the fuss but so far has not found an alternative code-writing mechanism that seems to warrant strong or exclusive backing by the professional societies.
good year shaping up for industrial building... if...

A latest McGraw-Hill survey of investment plans indicates that manufacturers anticipate spending a record $28.5 billion in new facilities and equipment in 1968, a hefty 7 per cent increase over the 1967 total. The amount earmarked for manufacturing plants and warehouses is expected to top the $5.4-billion mark, 8 per cent above last year and 15 per cent higher than the amount spent for such buildings in the early 1960's.

This rather ebullient outlook follows a year in which actual outlays fell some distance short of plans. It also coincides with a number of economic and political developments that may very well restrict business activity: a tighter money market; higher taxes and lower public spending; the prospects of cutbacks in defense orders; and a low level of utilization of plant capacity. In view of these factors, many businessmen may very well ask if such optimistic plans will be realized.

Looking first at last year's disappointing performance, a number of factors brought about the retreatment. The severe credit squeeze at the end of 1966 caught many businesses without cash they needed for day-to-day operations, let alone capital outlays. Add to this a year of reduced profits brought on by sharply increasing labor and materials cost, and you come up with a major reason for cutbacks in spending: the money simply wasn't there. If this weren't enough to discourage new investment, the temporary suspension of the investment tax credit; a rather lackluster year for consumer spending; reduced outlays for construction; and a leveling off of defense orders reduced much of the incentive to expand production facilities. Poor sales pushed the rate of capacity utilization by manufacturers from 90 per cent in October, 1966 to 81 per cent last September. The desired rate for manufacturing as a whole is 93 per cent.

The present situation is somewhat different. True, money is getting tight again. This time, however, businessmen are better prepared. Record borrowing by manufacturing corporations of $11 billion on the bond market during 1967 has restored much of the liquidity lost in late 1966, and a large slice of this has been set aside for plant and equipment outlays. Prices for many goods appear to be coming more in line with costs, and this is showing up in improved profit margins. The tax hike should not seriously affect investment decisions, many of which anticipated higher taxes.

A reversal of consumer attitudes has been reflected in sharply increased spending in the opening months of 1968, although higher taxes will probably temper this before the end of the year. Construction outlays have also surged forward. These new demands are being translated into higher industrial output and greater use of existing capacity.

On balance, despite some clouds on the horizon, the current performance of the economy is strong enough to encourage businessmen to invest in facilities needed for the long run. The prospect of a continued severe shortage of skilled labor means that increasingly more efficient production facilities must come on stream if competitive threats are to be met. Often this takes the form of new machinery. Sooner or later, though, new buildings are required to make the optimum use of this equipment. 1968 appears to be shaping up as a year in which many industries will emphasize the plant, as well as the equipment, side of their planned investment.

Building activity: monthly contract tabulations

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The ongoing process in modern building design is the growing emphasis on mechanical systems. A key impetus to this development is the continuing demand for more refined heating, ventilating, and air-conditioning systems. Some problems have been created for design professionals by this situation. The architect, as well as the engineer, has had to keep pace with the complex technologies involved. But it is primarily the architect, responsible for over-all project goals, who has had to measure cost versus performance within the framework of intangible shifts in the allocation of the building dollar. It is this aspect of the change—rather than the added design complexities of integrated mechanical systems—that has often proved to be the more headache.

The architect has had to deal simultaneously with two elements of change: HVAC costs and increased sophistication of HVAC systems. First, even if environmental requirements were not increasing, cost escalation would, and does, make on-cost estimating of conventional systems formidable task. But the requirements are changed for many building types, and the higher real costs of more sophisticated systems would account for a greater share of the building dollar even without inflation. Thus, when the client needs the ultimate refinement in multi-air conditioning, the cost indicated to him, however, that this may not represent an accurate measure of added cost relative to higher performance, because he is aware that HVAC costs as a percentage of the total building cost have increased significantly over the years. Examples of this trend for four building types are shown in Table 1.

The architectural engineer cannot be sure whether the increase in this percentage, over time, reflects a difference in real costs, a greater rate of escalation in HVAC costs relative to general construction costs, or a bit of both. Therefore, to properly measure the relationship, he must somehow isolate the real cost of increased performance due to increased sophistication. He can then decide whether the added value is worth the added cost.

One way to isolate these elements is to compare the rate of escalation in HVAC costs over time with the increase in general construction costs. If they are approximately the same, then the increase in HVAC costs as a percentage of the total building cost is solely the result of increased demand for more elaborate environmental systems. Hence, a comparison between two alternative systems' costs as a percentage of total building cost would be valid.

Index reveals trends in labor and materials costs

The rate of increase in HVAC costs is shown in Table 2. This has been done in terms of an index over a five-year period. The major system components have been weighted in terms of their percentage relationship to the total system cost. By measuring the weighted change of each element, starting at a common base year (1964), the rate of increase in HVAC costs can be shown. The percentage accounted for by materials represent their delivered cost to the site before fabrication (as in the case of sheet metal) or before installation (as in the case of equipment). "Equipment" includes heating and cooling equipment plus radiation controls. The costs for labor represent costs incurred by the contractor, excluding overhead. Both labor and material costs are averages for major cities.

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Equipment costs are stable while labor costs rise

The increase of HVAC costs averages 4.2 per cent per year. Since this compares closely with general building cost increases over the same period, one may reasonably assume that the increase in the share of the building dollar accounted for by HVAC is almost entirely the result of increasing requirements. It is interesting to note that 86 per cent of the cost increase in HVAC over the five-year period is the result of increased labor costs at the site. Since the labor component in HVAC is slightly higher than in...
general construction, it may be assumed that the rate of escalation is slightly higher for HVAC. However, this may be somewhat offset by the greater increases in material costs in general construction.

The point remains, however, that although mechanical systems are obviously consuming an increasing share of the budget dollar, this is not because the costs for the system components have increased more rapidly than labor and material costs of other systems. It is rather because of the increased demand for more sophisticated HVAC systems.

**Systems should be chosen early in design phase**

The fact that HVAC is costing more, relative to the rest of the building, and thereby consuming a larger portion of his budget has made the architect aware that he must give the choice of this system the closest consideration at a very early stage of design. He must consider what the client can afford and what the client needs in the way of sophistication.

To answer the question of needs, he and his engineer must consider the effects of a number of factors which determine heating and cooling loads, namely:

a) type, usage, and hours of occupancy of the building;

b) orientation of the building;

c) indoor and outdoor design conditions;

d) ventilation requirements;

e) amount and type of artificial lighting and hours of use;

f) number and type of heat-producing appliances and equipment, and extent of use.

Of these load factors, the use of larger glass areas and higher light intensities have been the most significant influences on the higher costs of HVAC.

Another reason why he should consider the choice of the HVAC system very early is that the new integrated environmental systems do not lend themselves to piecemeal paring after the preliminary design has been established. After working drawings have been started, significant reductions in cost cannot be introduced without substantial re-design.

This is because the new, highly refined and complex environmental control systems require extensive integration with the electrical and structural systems. Alterations made in one system may necessitate expensive design changes in other systems.

**Costs for various systems listed by building type**

The variety of system types used in four categories of buildings is illustrated below. The New York City cost range for each type is also shown.

**Apartment buildings**: Most new apartment buildings built with air conditioning usually use either of the two following types of systems:

1) Through-the-wall self-contained units, sometimes with an integral heating coil for winter heating. The popularity of this system is due to its low first cost. Maintenance and operating costs are generally higher than for a central system.

2) Central air-conditioning systems using 3- or 4-pipe fan coil units have given very satisfactory results.

The square foot cost range for these systems is as follows: through-the-wall, $1.50-$2.25 3-pipe fan coil, $4.00-$5.00 4-pipe fan coil, $4.50-$4.75

**Hotels & motels**: In these buildings, each guest room must have individual control of temperature, usually by the occupant. The types of systems usually found in new projects and the ranges of unit costs for these are as follows:

self-contained units, $325-$375/unit single-duct, reheat, $625-$675/unit recoil coil, per room, $725-$850/unit 3-pipe fan coil units, $4.00-$4.50/5F 4-pipe fan coil units, $4.50-$4.75/5F 3-pipe induction system, $6.25-$7.75/5F 4-pipe induction system, $7.50-$8.00/5F

The last four types are applicable to hotels only, as a general rule.

**Office buildings**: The type of occupancy in an office building has an important bearing on the type of system most applicable, and will determine the amount of flexibility required. Entrances and lobbies, stores, restaurants, club facilities, etc. are generally treated as separate entities with their own systems. Since lighting in an office building produces a substantial part of the cooling load (25 to per cent), efforts to withdraw this heat from the source by means of supply or exhaust air or water tubing should be considered.

The usual systems in an office building and the range of square foot costs are as follows:

dual duct, $7.50-$8.00 3-pipe fan coil, $5.50-$6.25 4-pipe fan coil, $6.00-$6.85 3-pipe induction units, $6.25-$7.75 4-pipe induction units, $7.50-$8.00

**Schools**: The usual systems found in schools and the range of square foot costs for these are as follows:

perimeter heating plus open-window ventilation, $2.00-$2.25 all-air heating, $2.50-$3.25 perimeter heating with forced-air ventilation, $3.00-$3.50 latter with air conditioning, $4.00-$4.50 unit ventilators, heating only, $3.25-$3.50 unit ventilators with cooling, $4.25-$4.50

**Hospitals**: The mechanical systems in hospitals are most complex because various kinds of spaces. For this reason it is difficult to offer meaningful cost ranges for the types of systems generally used in hospitals. However, for all systems, the costs usually fall in the range of $6.50-$10.00 per square foot.

**Department of Commerce figures show wholesale price trends**

The relative stability of wholesale prices of heating equipment is shown in the following extract of a table from the March issue of Construction Review, a monthly report published by the Business and Defense Services Administration of the Department of Commerce:

| TABLE 3—Indexes of Wholesale Prices of Materials Used in Construction, by Selected Groups and Commodities (1965-99=100, unless otherwise noted) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Period | Copper water tubing, straight lengths | Building wire, type THW | Non-metallic sheathed cable | Group index
| 1962 | 90.6 | 99.2 | 90.2 |
| 1963 | 101.7 | 100.4 | 88.0 |
| 1964 | 107.3 | 107.7 | 99.6 |
| 1965 | 126.2 | 132.5 | 121.9 |
| 1966 | 160.1 | 156.6 | 138.8 |
| 1967: January | 161.9 | 162.5 | 144.1 |
| 1968: January | 179.8 | 154.4 | 143.3 |
| | Group index | Enamelled iron fixtures | Vitreous china fixtures | Brass fittings |
| | 100.1 | 97.7 | 91.0 | 106.9 |
| | 101.8 | 94.2 | 89.5 | 114.2 |
| | 104.7 | 94.9 | 93.0 | 118.7 |
| | 108.4 | 96.1 | 95.7 | 129.0 |
| | 110.5 | 96.6 | 96.3 | 133.1 |
| | 110.7 | 96.8 | 96.6 | 133.1 |
| | Group index | Steam and hot water | Warm air furnaces | Water heaters, domestic |
| | 93.2 | 102.5 | 87.8 | 80.6 |
| | 92.9 | 101.5 | 86.5 | 82.8 |
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Information presented here indicates trends of building construction costs in 21 leading cities and their suburban areas (in a 25-mile radius). Information is included on past and present costs, and future costs can be projected by analysis of past trends.

TOURICAL BUILDING COST INDEXES—AVERAGE OF ALL BUILDING TYPES, 21 CITIES

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For a given city, a past period may be compared with costs in another city by dividing one index into the other; if the index for a city for one period divided by the index for a second period equals 125%, then costs in the first city are higher than costs in the second. Also, costs in the second city are 80% of those in the first (8.0% = 10.0% = 80% or they are 25% lower in the second city.

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continued from page 95. The problem is that experts already exist who can solve technological problems, building on their own experiences, but few people are in a position to do anything about the context.

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Colin Davie
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London Visiting Professor
School of Architecture
Washington University, St. Louis,

Soft doors for psychological rockets

May I express my appreciation for the very factual, non-sensational report of damage to the Embassy Building in Saigon in the March issue. The figures quoted are extremely accurate. However, there is one item of interest which has never been published in connection with the attack on the Embassy.

The Viet Cong who infiltrated the compound attempted to blow the front doors down with rocket fire. The original design of the building called for doors in heavy cast-bronze, but at an economy measure, less expensive wooden doors were substituted. The rockets fired at the doors failed to detonate until contact because of the softness of wood, but instead pierced the door and exploded against the marble wall of the inside lobby. Failure of the rocket to detonate at the surface of the door prevented their being blown off the hinges, and foiled entry to the building by the Viet Cong. Before the Viet Cong could devise other methods of forced entry through the doors, helicopters which landed on the roof thwarted their attack, and the Viet Cong did not get into the building.

It is rather interesting that a feature provided for the sake of economy was proved the effective deterrent to forced entry by the enemy. The real threat to American prestige is not losing the war in Viet Nam but rather losing our economic stability which now supports the rest of the world. Strategic economic measures applied at home could prevent the detonation of psychological rockets and thus avert the threat to our nation. We have the sources of men, money, materials, and technical ability. Why can't we be judicious in their use and application?

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John W. Alving and Kent Johnson have been named associates of Fred Bass & Company Architects of Seattle.

Wayne A. Brewer has been made partner of Skilling, Helle, Christian Robertson, Consulting Structural Civil Engineers. Mr. Brewer continues as Manager of the firm's New York office.

Robert B. Callan, A.I.A. has been appointed vice president and director of architecture of Engineers Inc., Consulting Engineers of Newark, New Jersey.

Henry J. Campbell, Jr. and Associates announce the change of its name to Campbell and Friedland, Consulting Engineers. The firm has offices in Greenville and Brentwood, New York.

Two new partners have been named by J. Gordon Carr & Associates, New York architectural firm. They are Gifford Lips, A.I.A. and Edward J. Meitl, A.I.A.

Reynolds, Smith and Hills, Florissant, Missouri architects and engineers, has appointed Donald M. Cheek as chief of its new division of Planning.

Clayton & Westbury, Inc., Architects, have opened their new offices at 1244 S. Monroe Drive, N.E., Atlanta. Lester Clayton, A.I.A., president, was formerly associated with Thompson & Hance.

Rodney A. Westbury, A.I.A., vice president and treasurer, was recently with Finch, Alexander, Barnes & Rothstein.

Carroll P. Colvin, A.I.A., W. P. Miller, A.I.A. and Kenneth L. Shires have formed a new partnership under the name of Colvin, Miller & Shires Architects. The firm's office is at 100 Church Hall Building, Little Rock, Arkansas.

A new partnership was recently formed to expand the architectural engineering services of Cox-Liske-Associates. George Lionakis, Architect, and Klyne Beaumont, structural engineer, joined Whitson W. Cox and J. R. Lisk in this reorganization. The new firm, known as Cox-Liske-Lionakis-Beaumont Architects and Engineers, is located in the Banker's Life Building, 10 Fulle Court, Sacramento, California.

Keith W. Dawson is now chief architect at Brown and Matthews, Inc., Union, New Jersey.

The architectural firm of Kahn Jacobs recently appointed Der Scutt, Elijah E. Tompkins as associates.

Norbert W. Maurer is now structural consultant for Sverdrup & Parcel and Associates, Engineers-Architects, St. Louis.

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Morgan V. Raines has joined the firm of Deigert and Yerkes and Associates as a partner in its Washington office. The firm has opened a branch office at 5 Swann Street, Biltmore, Asheville, North Carolina.

The firm of Birge M. Clark, Walter Stromquist and David F. Potter continues the practice of architecture at its present address, 3200 Hanover Street, Palo Alto, California, under the new name of Clark, Stromquist and Potter. Joseph Ehrlich, Rodney Heft, and Jack Rominger have opened offices for the practice of architecture at 2470 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, under the new firm of Ehrlich, Heft & Rominger.

Peter Flack, Consulting Engineers of Rochester and New York City, has appointed Joseph L. Petraglia, Jr. and Henry DiGregorio as associate members.

George, Miles & Buhr, Architects & Engineers of Salisbury, Maryland, has admitted John L. Graham III, A.I.A. as architectural associate.

Harry Green, R.A., has been admitted as a partner in the New York and Washington, D.C. firm of Leo Kornblatt Associates / Architecture / Planning / Interiors.

Abbott Harle, A.I.A. has been made a vice president of Victor Gruen Associates.

Marvin Hatami, A.I.A. and Max W. L. Saul, A.I.A., in association with Flo H. Tanaka, A.I.P., Planner, have established offices for the practice of architecture, urban planning and design at 1036 Grant Street, Denver.

Richard T. Henmi, A.I.A. has been named a partner in the St. Louis architectural firm of Schwarz & Van Hoeck.

Holford Widrig O'Neill & Associates Inc., Consulting Engineers of Traverse City, Michigan, has appointed Frederick Oleszkowicz, P.E. and David Silber P.E. as senior associates of the firm.

Fred L. Lopez, P.E. has been named associate.

OFFICES OPENED

William R. Jenkins has announced the opening of new offices for the practice of architecture and planning at 2737 Buffalo Speedway 212, Houston, 77006.

Hamilton Frederick has joined the firm as an associate architect.


Robert A. Little & Associates announces the opening of an office for the practice of architecture and urban design at 12025 Shaker Boulevard, Cleveland 44120.

Charles Luckman Associates, with corporate headquarters in Los Angeles, has opened a new office in Phoenix.

Gene D. Smith, A.I.A., announces the opening of an office for the practice of architecture and space planning at 12121 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles 90049.

Sverdrup & Parcel and Associates Inc., Engineers-Architects based in St. Louis, has opened an office in Nashville at 306 Gay Street.

McGaughey, Marshall & McMillan Architects, Consulting Engineers and Planners have opened a Richmond, Virginia office at 303 Ross Building. The firm's home office is in Norfolk, Virginia.

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The strikingly handsome new Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum complex is not only all that Skidmore, Owings & Merrill set out to make it—handsome and bold, intimate despite size, pleasant and profitable to use—but in concept and design is a sophisticated and unique structure.

An elegant sports and recreation center
The Coliseum is a multi-use complex, with three parts: the enclosed Arena for indoor sports and a variety of entertainment; the outdoor Stadium for baseball, football and soccer; and the Exhibition Hall which connects them and gives Coliseum its great versatility. Although each has its special attributes and architectural virtues, the Arena dominates the complex and focuses attention on a simple but highly dramatic form—a cylinder with a frame of slender X-columns and topped with a thin band of concrete. This dramatic expression derives directly from the structural conditions: the building has a cable-supported roof—one of the world’s largest; its diameter is 420 feet—suspended from the concrete compression ring which rests on the X-columns. Inside the X-frame and independent of it is a curtain wall of gray glass 70 feet high which rounds and encloses the building. Of web-bar joists, anchored at the bottom, brace the glass wall. This diaphanous closure and the powerful scale of the frame irresistibly attract attention at time of day, but never more than at dusk when the transparency reveals the clarity and elegance of this brilliant solution.
The Arena seats from 11,000 to 15,000, depending on the type of event, in theater-type seats set on precast-concrete bleachers. Ingenious construction methods were devised for the Arena roof. The concrete X-columns, each 57 feet high, were cast in place using fabricated steel forms. The compression ring, too, was cast in place, seven segments, to exacting tolerances (one-half-inch for the radial, one-fourth-inch for cable and points). The 45-foot-diameter tension ring at the center was assembled on scaffolding 65 feet above the Arena floor, and diametrically opposite cables, each 186 feet long, were simultaneously attacked. The cables take the dead load of the ribs, the 260-foot-diameter penthouse, and the cast-in-place gypsum roof deck. The ribs take the load. By using a then-new 150-ton mobile tower crane, the radial elements could be precast in two 93-foot segments (instead of the originally planned seven) and hoisted, two at a time, into place. An unusual roof drainage system collects water (which could not run off due to the inverted roof shape) at the outer wall of the penthouse, feeds it by gravity to pumps in the penthouse, which send it up the roof slope, the drain line at the compression ring. If more than 160,000 gallons collect on the roof, the overflow would be dumped on the Arena floor.
The 96 steel cables that support the roof, the roof structure and the mechanical penthouse above, hang from a 5-foot-deep compression ring (A) resting on the X-columns, and span 186 feet to the steel tension ring (C) at center. Anchored inside pipe sleeves, ends secured by notched anchor plates (A), cables run in continuous slot in bottom flange of concrete I-ribs (B). Diaphragms connect ribs and tie roof structure together.
The Stadium, circular like the Arena but much larger (outside diameter of 540 feet)—is, for all the conventionality of its poured-in-place construction, a remarkable structure. With half its height hidden behind an earth berm, it has none of the awkwardness of most large stadiums. The lower half is depressed 29 feet below the parking level so that the entrance at midpoint of the seating; no one climbs more than half the stadium height to reach his seat. In addition to this amenity, no one is more than a minute's walk from rest rooms and concessions, nor more than 500 feet from his parking space or an entrance. Sightlines are unobstructed; distances from seats to playing field are minimal. The stadium is ingeniously adaptable for either baseball, football, or soccer by laying out the football field perpendicular to the baseball field and making some of the lower grandstand seats to form bleachers. With this arrangement the center seats become prime side-line seats. The stadium can also be used for outdoor displays in connection with Exhibit Hall (plan above) and Arena, providing an unusual facility for large conventions and exhibits. The Exhibit Hall roof forms a plaza on the parking level.
There are 50,000 seats for baseball, 53,000 for football, all orienting the spectator to the center of action. All permanent seating, set on precast seat benches, faces the 50-yard line for football, and for baseball, a spot just behind second base. Permanent seats are theater-type, plastic (green, except in boxes, where seats are red) and aluminum. Instead of stairs, ramps are used throughout for greater safety. Originally conceived as a two-tier grandstand with 42,000 seats, its final design provides three tiers which extend around two-thirds of the playing field.
Handsome detailing is evident throughout the $30-million complex. The strong sculptural quality of the exterior carries through to the interior where the ramp structures create unexpected and unusual spatial effects. One of the aims of the architects was that this complex should not be set in a "sea of asphalt", and consequently there is an extensive but essentially simple landscaping program under-way which relies mainly on ivy, ice plant and eucalyptus trees.

The complex and changing needs of medical research demand a place that is usable today and adaptable to the unknowns of tomorrow, and the design of a building that will fully satisfy both determined and indeterminable requirements is a challenging project. The Health Sciences Instruction and Research building at the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco is such a building, reflecting these exacting requirements in unique and important ways. In a hierarchy of needs for laboratory buildings, adaptability would surely stand first, yet few laboratory buildings have ever been designed to provide for this inherent characteristic of research—accentuated in medical research because of its multi-disciplinary approach—and at the same time guarantee continuance of the primary architectural concern for any building, a suitable environment for its functions. The HSIR building represents the prodigious achievement of both these objectives. Only because of continuous coordination among architect, structural and mechanical engineer and by their strict adherence to the set objectives for the project was such a result obtained.
The HSIR building consists of two identical steel-framed 16-story square towers, connected at every floor by a glass-walled bridge, served by separate towers of composite structure for elevators and for ventilating system equipment. The shape derived from the exceedingly tight site conditions, but it proved eminently appropriate for the structural solution: 12 peripheral columns, set 93 feet 4 inches o.c. (a record at that time for multi-story buildings), and a two-way floor grid forming a moment frame resistant to all lateral forces (including seismic, as required in California). Because this solution was unconventional, an alternate design using columns at 30-foot intervals was made and let out to bids simultaneously. A low bid, $100,000 less for the unconventional scheme, led to its use. The solution provides a column-free laboratory space 90 by 90 feet square, adaptable to almost infinite sizes and shapes of division and subdivision. In a laboratory building, however, additional factors test adaptability: lighting and ventilation especially are crucial to a scientist's environmental comfort. Here the provision of continuous ceiling strips of lighting and ventilation outlets means that every assigned space has its own utility and service lines, and there is complete freedom in setting up new spaces and moving partitions.

An important part of this freedom—and of the architectural expression of the building—are the glass-walled perimeter corridor and the fume hood system. The windowed perimeter corridor provides an insulating envelope of tempered air for the laboratory core, permitting its areas to have single-zone temperature controls and greatly simplifying air distribution and temperature control. The fume hood system is unique. It provides initially for addition of fume hood exhaust ducts (as many as four per mullion are acceptable) without interference to the building's appearance or function. The ducts run up the building exterior to the roof where they join fan and blower units. Any change in number or location lends an unusual vitality to the building facade, making the ducts an essential part of the design. Locating them outside the building saves valuable interior space, does not require fireproofing, makes them easy to inspect, clean, remove and replace. This building has been called a machine and, in a way, so it is. But only because, like a machine, function is its primary requirement. To have found in function well-springs for design—as this building does—is the essence of architecture.

HEALTH SCIENCES INSTRUCTION AND RESEARCH TOWERS UNIT 1,
San Francisco, California. Owner: Board of Regents, University of California, San Francisco Medical Center. Architects and engineers: Reid, Rockwell, Banwell & Tarics; mechanical and electrical engineers: DeLeuw, Cather & Company; acoustical consultant: Daniel Fitzroy; Medical Center Campus Architect: Richard B. Grenfell; contractor: Dinwiddie Construction Company.

The HSIR Towers are located on an already crowded and too-small urban campus, further limited by a steep hill just behind their site. An existing building to which the towers had to connect had determined the 8 feet 6 inches floor-to-ceiling height used in the new buildings.
For maximum protection from contaminated air, intake is at ground level, and exhaust is on roof. Supply and exhaust fans, whose vibration is intolerable to sensitive instruments, are in separate tower, with flexible ducts leading to each floor.
The HSIR building dramatically states its basic concept of windowless laboratories and windowed corridors—a design decision based on research into scientists' preferences. This solution provides the scientists with the wall space, temperature control and even lighting they wanted. But it also provides views from the building over the city by glazing the perimeter corridor floor to ceiling—the outlook is where it can be enjoyed by all, not in the laboratory where work would preclude its being noticed. Cantilevering the corridors beyond the column line frees interior space, shields laboratory areas from sun, and provides access to fume hood ducts. Openings at top exhaust warm air and prevent buildup of differential pressures.

The ground floor provides a circular classroom area which is divided into four major lecture and demonstration rooms, each divisible into smaller units. Demonstration area is reached from the lower floor. The broad corridor (right) is enclosed in glass and overlooks what is to be a landscaped court between the two towers. Above are plans for two of the 15 lab floors: because of widely different requirements, space assignment is completely different. No two floors are alike in use.

Movable partitions of gypsum board divide space according to need: teaching lab (above), individual research space (top) or for multiuse. Pipes and conduits drop vertically from ceiling to insure future flexibility of use.
The 40-inch horizontal grid module used permits the greatest variety in room sizes (including a "standard" width of 10 feet for small offices. Fluorescent fixtures are installed in continuous strips in the ceiling, placed on the diagonal of the module. Crossing these strips are strips of ventilation grilles. All utilities are carried in the ceiling and piping from them is run vertically to counters. Partitions can be moved without impairing utilities and service lines, and utility line location does not impede partition changes. Case-work was also designed to the 40-inch module, except for counter tops which are longer, but independently supported for storage unit interchange. On the 16th floor (center) corridor space is preempted for two large seminar rooms, an exception nevertheless in accord with the concept that outlook (as here, where the view is to the Golden Gate) is important in general areas.
Three well-detailed small buildings

These three small buildings designed by Edward Durell Stone serve three distinct and different functions—a library, an office building and a city hall. They are all characterized by their adept handling of the clients' needs, their sophisticated site development, and their painstaking detailing which is subdued to create a serene and coherent finished product. The library for Santa Clara, California (above) gives a decorative treatment to the structural ribbed-vault elements which define square bays within an overall square plan. The Levitt & Sons Executive Office Building, Lake Success, New York, (below) utilizes two-story windows with adjustable jalousies on the facade and facing an interior court for privacy and sun control. The Paducah, Kentucky, City Hall (at bottom) is organized around a grand skylighted atrium with an overhanging balcony, providing entrance to all public areas and functions.
Sculptural vaults for a small library

This compact and functional small library gains its distinction from the structural and decorative treatment of dramatic ribbed vaults which define 27-foot-square bays within the overall square plan. The vaults, said to be inspired by the vaulted roof in a local Carmelite Chapel, intersect and rise organically from low, 9-foot-high concrete columns, subdividing spaces within the plan and providing a varying ceiling height from 9 to 14 feet. The warm gold wall-to-wall carpeting serves as a textural foil to the ceiling.

The spatial play of the vaults is further enhanced by the lighting system by day and by night. By day, lighting is achieved by skylights at the top of the vaults, lunettes on the periphery of the vaults and by 11 4-foot-wide, floor-to-ceiling windows. By night, the structure is illuminated by clusters of gold roof ornaments on the exterior which shine down through the skylights and, by concealed fixtures in the top of the columns directed into the vaults, which also provide supplemental light during the day.

The one-story plus partial basement library has load-bearing patterned walls and the main construction material is poured-in-place concrete. There is a total usable area of 36,000 square feet and a book capacity of 250,000 volumes, half in closed stacks in the basement.

A special feature of the building is a separate and complete children’s library, enclosed for maximum sound control. Visual connection is maintained by use of glass partitions, and the section has its own outdoor entrance with a door connecting to the main library. Cost, including furnishings, was $1,016,752.

This gleaming white library for a burgeoning California community (the old library was built in 1955 to serve the reading needs of the city for a quarter of a century, and is now kept in operation as a branch library) is set off-center in a parallelogram-shaped landscaped site. One facade facing a street is denoted by a large fountain while the main entrances are defined by twin flag poles. On the interior is a seating capacity of 240, including 75 provided in the multi-purpose room. Reading tables are small and are scattered throughout the library. The library utilizes a new computerized data control system, controlling circulation and freeing the staff of much detail work.
Office building encloses courtyard

This delicately detailed, two-story plus basement office building for a staff of 200 is organized around a two-story interior courtyard. The impressive courtyard, lighted by nine geodesic skylight domes, contains planting and five octagonal pools with fountains echoed by octagonal floor paving.

The square-plan building rests on a 190-foot-square podium within a 14-acre site, which, with two other projected structures, will occupy less than 15 per cent of the site. The entrance forecourt is dominated by a 54-foot-square reflecting pool with five copper, free-form fountains by Dutch sculptors Gerith and Hans van de Bovenkamp.

Slender columns rise from the podium to support a wide, pierced overhanging roof in this reinforced concrete building. The facade is composed of two-story windows with adjustable aluminum jalousies alternating with panels of glazed white brick.

The building provides a total of 67,000 square feet of space. On the top floor, reached by graceful stairways from the interior courtyard, are executive and other offices, drafting rooms, conference rooms, reception area and secretary pool areas. On the first floor, in addition to the ceremonious two-level lobby, are more office, reception and conference facilities. Located in the basement are cafeteria and private dining areas, computer area and additional office space. The jalousies are repeated on the interior courtyard to provide privacy and light control.

This small and elegant office building for Levitt and Sons, Inc., residential builders, is the first of three structures proposed for a 14-acre site at Lake Success, just outside the city limits of New York City and within 10 miles of two major airports. The three projected structures will occupy less than 15 percent of the site, leaving the rest for a landscaped park. The graceful, two-story building gains sun protection from a broad roof overhang and from adjustable aluminum louvers located on the exterior and facing the two-story skylit interior courtyard-lobby which dominates the interior.
Dramatic atrium for a small city hall

This city hall serves as a concrete and gleaming symbol of progress for this Ohio River community of 40,000. The architect has deftly arranged and ordered the myriad functions of a small municipal government into a two-story plus basement building rising from a 216-foot-square podium encircled by a moat.

The dramatic highlight of the interior is a two-story, 60-foot-high atrium with a fountain at the center, topped by a pyramidal lantern skylight extending 20 feet above the roof line. On the top floor are executive offices, council chamber and smaller conference rooms, all served by a mezzanine balcony overhanging the interior court. In the basement are complete police facilities including a jail and police court, reached from a drive-through ramp under the building.

The roof, with its 30-foot-wide overhang on all sides, is supported by a two-story colonnade. The exterior is of white, precast, exposed-aggregate concrete panels, echoed by the texture of the undersides of the slab roof overhangs. The sculptured pattern of the soffit on the roof overhang expresses the diagonal structural system. This pattern is echoed and reinforced by the pattern of exposed aggregate paving on the plaza and by triangular, two-story high bay windows on all four sides.

Walls of the central lobby court are walnut paneled, with the remaining interior walls painted a soft off-white. Executive areas in the $1.5-million structure are carpeted in red.

Highlight of the interior is the pyramidal lantern enclosing the two-story high, 60-foot-square atrium. The lantern extends above the roof line, and peaks 60 feet above the centrally located fountain. The lantern is studded with 108 lozenge-shaped panes of frosted solar glass, bathing the courtyard with changing effects of light. The large council chamber and other facilities located on the second floor are served by a mezzanine balcony which runs around the building's interior and overhangs the ground-level court. All of the other rooms on the two main floors are also accessible from the atrium or balcony.

The Paducah City Hall, replacing a 77-year-old building, came about as a result of an $18,000 survey of the city's municipal assets and liabilities by a Chicago consulting firm. The survey called for a new building to be designed by an internationally known architect, which would be "an indication to citizens and visitors alike that something new is happening in Paducah. The psychological effects of such a new building, having good land use planning and architectural design, will be of considerable value in changing Paducah's image."
INNOVATIVE DESIGN FOR A COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Inventive marshalling of mass and detail, a plan for growth—and a new room configuration—distinguish the design of Woodland Memorial Hospital. Architect Rex Whitaker Allen has taken advantage of a generous 20-acre site to develop a master plan for expansibility through unusual dispersion of services in three satellite pavilions grouped around a central elevator and stairwell tower. In virtually certain anticipation of growth in this fast-moving California community, the administration (now moving from outmoded and restricted facilities downtown) has invested part of a $4-million budget in a full six-story development of the tower. Thus, they are assured of long-range economy in vertical expansion of the two nursing service pavilions which are three stories each in this 81-bed first phase.
Recessed ground floors of the nursing pavilions contain administration, cafeteria and kitchen areas. Upper floors are typically 30-bed nursing units. One of these units has been modified to accommodate 14 maternity beds and a nursery, another to provide small pediatrics and intensive care units. The forecourt between the service pavilion and front nursing pavilion is filled in by a one-story, glass-enclosed lobby giving access to the vertical circulation tower.

of construction. The third pavilion, an almost windowless two-story structure, houses operating rooms, delivery and labor rooms, x-ray, physical therapy, emergency and outpatient departments. It is designed to expand horizontally as demand for these services warrants. Ultimate capacity of the hospital will be 225 beds.

Pavilions and tower are interconnected at each level by glass-enclosed passageways through which carts and conveyors maintain efficient circulation. Thus, modern devices for hospital traffic permit dispersed planning for growth without the constraining requirement that all services be compactly joined together.

A new kind of patient room called a “duo-room” offers semi-private accommodations (important under provisions of most insurance contracts) that are convertible by means of a soundproof folding partition into what is effectively two single rooms. Each patient then has his own outside window and his own door from the corridor. Two patients in a duo-room share a toilet which is accessible
Glass-enclosed passages, left, join nursing pavilions and vertical circulation tower to surgical and diagnostic services. Recessed glass wall of ground floor in nursing pavilion provides covered colonaded walkway and outside view from cafeteria. One-story fill-in between pavilions is reception and lobby area with access to elevator tower.

from either side of the extended partition, but each has a separate washbasin. The advantages of the duo-room include not only an opportunity for privacy at semi-private rates but flexibility of room assignments that permits practically 100 per cent occupancy, whereas most semi-private nursing floors are limited by sex and diagnostic incompatibility to about 80 per cent occupancy.

Basic structure and framing are reinforced concrete. Nursing pavilion walls are precast, exposed-aggregate panels with vertical and horizontal fins shading tall, narrow windows.

The hospital occupies the southern portion of the site, with parking located between it and a doctors' office building to the north.

URBAN HOUSING: NEW APPROACHES AND NEW STANDARDS

There is a demand for something new and better in urban housing—of course one of the central issues of our time. Everyone from top officials of our government to the rioters in the streets now are heavily committed and heavily involved—and watching carefully and anxiously to see what contribution the architect can make. This is a point in time to succeed.

If we know anything about the design of low- and middle-income urban housing, we know that most of what has been built so far is not very good. What new approaches should be tried, what new standard of architecture can be hoped for?

The projects shown on the following pages explore some of these new approaches and standards. Most of the work shown is in project form, simply because progress is now being made so fast that this is “where the action [and the fresh thinking] is.” Most of the work shown is either public housing or is being built under 221-d-3—and thus has been designed under cost pressures. All of the work shown explores new forms, new uses of outdoor space, new room arrangements, new kinds of scale for crowded spaces. Taken together, these new approaches begin to suggest a new standard for urban housing—and urban living—for the low- and middle-income families who need that housing most.

—Walter F. Wagner, Jr.

East Midtown Plaza
This group of town-house-type buildings, covering a city block, won a San Francisco Redevelopment Agency competition for 221-d-3 apartment housing. Besides being attractive and generally 10 per cent larger than accepted standards, the units stay well within the stringent economic limitations. All utilities are grouped in a central spine running down the length of the building. This, plus the low (3.5 per cent) area of public hallways and the fact that changes in grade are taken advantage of are important economic factors.

An important asset of the project is the variety, not only in size and location of buildings, but in design of the 116 individual units. There are one-, two-, three-, and four-bedroom units, the larger of which offer more privacy for families, while smaller units, typically occupied by young adults or older persons, have the added security and sociability of shared hallways.

The design takes advantage of the natural slope of the ground. The typical module consists of two two-story units placed back to back, each with its own garden. Above these units are either a pair of smaller units or, in some instances, larger, split-level unit. The smaller units cluster in groups of four about a common entry way. All three- and four-bedroom units—and many two-bedroom units—have private entrances and gardens.
FRESH FORMS AND SCALE FOR THE MEDIUM-RISE UNIT

The medium-rise apartment building is a difficult design problem—it has not the human scale of the low-rise building nor the drama possible in the high-rise. But TAC has given this seven-story building both scale and drama by giving it the longest length possible on the site, by creating a series of strong horizontal lines with the faces of the balconies, by breaking the plane of the facade with a set-back lower level and cantilevered upper level, and by strongly expressing concrete technology.

The 8-inch concrete bearing walls are 44 feet on center, and spaced by 10-inch deep by 3-foot, 4-inch cored, precast, concrete planks. This building—with 48 one-bedroom and 96 two-bedroom units, and 18,000 square feet of rentable commercial space, community recreation and laundry spaces on the ground floor—will be primarily for the elderly.

The three-story walk-ups completing the complex have a total of 228 units, and are based on the same construction system. The site plan provides one-to-one parking for the walk-ups, 30 per cent parking for the seven-story building.

Construction of the project is to begin this year.

FOR AREAS WITH RUN-DOWN HOUSES: RENEWAL IN SCALE

Small sections of deteriorating residential areas can be redeveloped with three residentially scaled building types, according to this proposal for moderate income housing. They are adaptable to a variety of locations.

The area shown here consists of two triangular parcels separated by a diagonal street. The perimeter contains a number of buildings in good condition, which will be saved. The plan proposes to close the diagonal street and create a continuous pedestrian area for the new housing. Parking areas will be opened up off the perimeter.


PUBLIC HOUSING: DESIGN FOR LARGE FAMILIES

The expected population of this 15-acre project is 2,400, with as many as 1,800 children. Thus, all of the 320 units will have three, four, or four-and-a-half bedrooms. The placement of the buildings creates spatial continuity throughout the site, and creates varied outdoor spaces for the use of the residents. Some areas are furnished with play equipment, others with shade trees and benches, and others are used as plazas.

A central square provides a large open area for block dances and parades, and acts as the community focus.

The separate, small multi-family dwellings are intended to continue the existing neighborhood scale. The three building types will consist of mixtures of one- and two-bedroom flats and two- and three-bedroom duplex apartments.

Consistent design, construction system, and landscaping of the pedestrian streets gives visual continuity to the project. The buildings are simply constructed: slab on grade, masonry exterior and party walls, wood framing, aluminum windows with Plexiglas glazing. Two units are placed back-to-back, and each has its front entry court set off from the public walk-way by a planting bed. Each unit has its own on-grade entrance, giving tenants a sense of proprietorship rare in apartments.
GOOD ENVIRONMENT, CHILD ORIENTED SPACE FOR BUDGET HOUSES

Great economies of design and construction have been combined here to produce an extremely pleasant community of multi-bedroom row houses.

Expressly programmed to be child-safe and child-oriented, the project was planned to house 230 families (estimated at 1,750 persons, including 1,300 children) in individual units with three to six double bedrooms each.

The hilly, 15-acre site was carefully developed to provide an interior pedestrian circulation system, free of automobile traffic, and connecting all the houses with tree-edged "tot-lots", a large playing field, a community building and a grassy amphitheater. Off-street parking is kept on the perimeter, and all internal streets are cul-de-sacs to eliminate through traffic. They are designed without parking lanes to prevent curb-side parking and the consequent obstruction of drivers' vision of children playing in the sidewalk-street area.

The architects comment that, "to beat the hilly economics, split, bilevel, and flat dwelling units were designed into the stepped buildings so that structures could be oriented at will without using banks and retaining walls." In each house, the "front" doors face the interior pedestrian way, and kitchen doors and the adjoining walled-in service-play yards face the street for convenience in trash-disposal, and other services.

The houses are wood frame with integrally colored concrete block exteriors in various shades of gray-brown. Exterior accents are white precast concrete, and downspouts are stock, bond beam, white concrete blocks, set vertically in place. Roofing is asphalt shingle over plywood and wood truss-rafters. There are five basic row-house types in the project, but, because of variations in slope, color and the like, no two houses are exactly alike.

EASTGATE GARDENS, Washington, D.C.

The architects of this housing development believe that "the project demonstrates how a satisfying community can be designed despite severe restrictions of a tight budget and the forced selection of the less expensive materials."

From the garden-like fronts of the row houses along the interior pedestrian ways (right) to the practical, screened-off play and service yards on the street sides (left), aspects of the houses are extremely pleasant, comfortable and convenient. And the total is a unified, well-designed neighborhood.
Four of the five basic row-house types are shown here (there is one extra, a non-split-level three-bedroom model). The extensive community land shows in the plot plan.
AIR-RIGHTS UNITS:
A PROPOSAL FOR SPACE OVER GARAGES

In San Francisco where land for low-cost housing for the elderly is practically non-existent, a design that makes double use of City-owned land is sensible and exciting: This proposal is designed to be built atop platforms erected over parking lots in the heart of neighborhood shopping centers. The reinforced concrete deck, supported on reinforced columns, would make possible an addition of 110 studio and one-bedroom apartments. Apartments are grouped around two small courts that open on a large central community plaza. Each unit has either a private patio or balcony.


DUPLEX APARTMENTS:
FRESH LOOK AT AN ELEGANT OLD IDEA

This L-shaped building, with primary financing under 221-d-3, is composed entirely of duplex units. Flexibility of apartment types is achieved on alternate floors where bedrooms can be changed from one apartment to another. The 22-foot exterior vertical module defines the width of a kitchen and living area on one level, and two adjacent bedrooms on another. The duplex concept is expressed by the exposed concrete spandrels on every other floor.

Between the legs of the "L" are open breezeways, each two stories high. Besides two-story artists' studios, there are a variety of one- to four-bedroom duplex apartments. Public halls and elevator stops are required only on every other floor where entrances are located.
COMPONENT SYSTEM FOR QUICK IN-FILL OF EMPTY CITY LOTS

An ingenious proposal to help solve the problems of family relocation caused by urban renewal demolition, the Boston Infill Program ("BIP" as it is called locally) seeks to use the countless parcels of existing empty land which are scattered over the city, and quickly build houses made of modular, pre-cast components.

As the lots are of widely varying sizes, and in all sorts of neighborhoods, a quiet, flexible design with brick-veneer facades has been developed.

The program is conceived as one that can be executed on a crash basis: "only if a massive input of large, low-income family housing is available during the next 12 months will it be possible to avoid serious hardship for displaced families. To achieve this goal, it is proposed that planning, financing, community programming and site acquisition for 1,000 units of such housing be compressed into a 60-day period by total cooperation and maximum effort of all parties involved. Construction would be organized on a CPM system based upon initial occupancy within six months." The 1,000 units would be 30 per cent 3-bedroom, 50 per cent 4-bedroom, and 20 per cent 5-bedroom. From the financial point of view, it would be a "program of private, low-income, subsidized family housing."

The construction system incorporated a series of pre-cast, pre-stressed concrete wall, floor and roof panels which can be rapidly erected into modular concrete boxes with door and window units cast into the walls. The brick veneer facade will also be pre-cast into the exterior walls.

Of standard depth, the units will vary in width by assembling a variable number of concrete components into each building. Stairs and mechanical systems are designed as individual packages to be quickly installed.

BOSTON INFILL PROPOSAL. Architect: Stull Associates, Inc.; engineers: Sepp Firnkes Engineering (consulting), Engineering Design Associates—Peter S. Myers, president (mechanical and electrical); developer: Development Corporation of America.
From the system of basic components shown in the diagram below, houses of a variety of plans and sizes can be speedily constructed to fill existing empty lots. A typical completed house is shown in the model photo above left. The photos above illustrate the step-by-step installation of the component units. The scheme appears to offer a sensible answer to the relocation dilemma.
Paul Rudolph has attempted, in the design of the low-rise project shown here and the 10-story project on the following pages, to overcome two architectural problems common in our cities: "Too many high-rise units are scaleless and inhuman; and we have not learned how to relate high-rise to low-rise in scale." In these buildings—with a stepped-back "hillside-village" form and ever-changing rooflines within a simple construction discipline—Rudolph has given both low- and high-rise the same, very residential scale. "It's my hope," says he, "that these units will seem like houses in the sky, not drawers in a cabinet." Another advantage of these innovative forms is the creation of major private outdoor living spaces for almost every unit. And they are real terraces (drawings on next pages)—not balconies, which Rudolph calls "useless."

Both low- and high-rise units are of bearing wall construction: floor and roof framing in the low rise is wood; in the high-rise, precast concrete planks 8 inches deep. The block used for the walls is cast with hexagonal cores, then split, to create the strong striated pattern shown in inset photo, lower right. This technique creates, at concrete-block cost, the same striated pattern first used by Rudolph in his Arts and Architecture Building.

There are a total of 166 units in the high-rise building, 46 units in the low-rise. The two projects shown are only two sections of Northwest 1, for which Rudolph did the master plan and for which he is coordinating architect. Other architects involved, also with nonprofit sponsors, are Collins and Kronstadt; Madison, Madison, and Madison; Chloethiel Smith; and Keyes, Lethbridge and Condon.
Plan of low-rise units puts two-bedroom apartments on lowest floor. The upper three floors are triplex units with three or four bedrooms. Striated finish of concrete block (photo below) is created by cast hexagonal cores and the split face of the block. Blocks are 16 by 8 inches, 6 inches thick. Horizontal mortar joints are scarcely visible; vertical joints are hidden in the grooves every 16 inches. Weathering will stain the grooves and wash the outer split face, adding to the strength and character of the finish.
olph's high-rise unit for North-
11 has a complex but beautifully
ked out plan. Most apartments
duplexes with large terraces off
ining room; but some one- and
teen-bedroom apartments are
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ch are deep at the lower floors;
out about the possibility of trouble
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ught they will be self-policing.
ny rate, the terraces should offer
kind of enjoyment for tenants of
221-d-3 project that few if any
ents of luxury housing would
ve for. This concept, says Ru-
olph, "has a rare kind of scale, I
ed this building best in looking
the stepped pyramids of Chichen
in Yucatan . . . It's a hillside
ge."
In New York City's first comprehensive redevelopment project to serve families of varied income levels, rents in four towers and four stories of duplex townhouses will range from public housing levels to upper-middle income levels. The design of the plazas, some for use by residents only and some that will invite the public, will create a rare sense of community. Residents will have the private use of a series of promenades overlooking the major plaza and separated from the townhouses by a series of private yards. The public area, some 150,000 square feet, will include a waterfront promenade, a proposed restaurant, a cinema, and boat docks.

The fresh forms of both the low-income (left in the rendering) and the middle-income towers, will dispel the bleak and monolithic look and feeling so common in urban housing. In addition, the forms will create some unusual and diverse floor plans.

One of the towers, which has 350 units, will be financed under the FHA 221-d-3 with some 20 to 25 per cent of these units further subsidized by the Federal Rent Supplementation Program or the NYCHA to reach public housing levels. The remaining units will be financed at market interest rates with an average of 50 per cent tax abatement, except for the commercial facilities which will pay full taxes. Rents in the market-rate section will be skewed from Mitchell-Lama rental levels.

Since the area is presently occupied by decaying city-owned piers, relocation of families is not required.

varied floor plans, the result of
new design of the towers them-
selves, are an additional positive
feature in this new approach to urban
living.
The project is located on Manhat-
tan's east side between 25th and
26th streets. The site is presently
unattractive and a blight on the sur-
rounding community of housing and
institutional facilities. Waterside,
which is providing housing, will
contain over 150,000 square feet of
outdoor space for recreation
and relaxation for the people of
New York.
A multi-level plaza is the heart of the development. The upper three levels above the river unite residential and commercial activities around a lively central space; any of the four towers as well as the service shops and a café can be entered at this level.

Up one level will be four streets of duplex town houses with private yards. Down broad steps from the main plaza, is a terrace approximately 200 feet long by 70 feet wide, which is a cinema, restaurant, and outdoor dining area. Several staircases descend to the second level to the river’s edge, where there is a broad promenade and bicycle path along the entire length. The promenade connects the project to a public walk on the river’s north side and to the United Nations Secretariat Building now under construction, on the south. Parking for about 700 will be provided under the service plaza levels and certain on-grade locations adjacent to commercial facilities.
prospects look good for new plumbing standard

Nearing some unforeseen hitches, it now appears that in three month’s time there may be a new USASI, “Minimum Requirements for Plumbing A40.8,” which is last revised in 1955. (USASI is the United States of America Standards Institute—a reorganized version of the American Standards Association.) On May 9, the end of a tedious three-day meeting, the A40.8 committee voted, with only one negative vote cast, to submit a new draft of the standard to letter ballot. The vote was taken on a motion proposing the use of a November 1966 draft marked so as to conform to the same format as the 1955 standard, known as the National Plumbing Code, and to include some new and revised plumbing definitions that were a source of much argument and wrangling the first two days of the meeting.

There have been two more hurdles blocking a new standard. The first was considerable competitive struggle among materials producers as well as other differences in opinion whether or not plastic pipe should be included for drainage, waste and vent piping. The second hurdle has been the worry of various groups that they might be deprived of some of their traditional areas of work; or, on the other hand, by some producers, as sprinklers, indpipes, process piping, etc.

The draft that is now being re-edited conform to the 1955 format is the same as the November 1966 draft except for the addition of a series of new definitions. It was temporarily dropped from consideration, apparently because certain procedural matters had been contested by several producer, contractor and union groups. Quite a furor ensued, with the battle being waged in the pages of industry journals and newsletters, as well as in the Congressional Record.

The hassle over the 1966 draft resulted, as was mentioned earlier, mainly over the inclusion of plastic pipe for drainage, waste and vent piping. The conflict was bound to arise in any case, but it was made worse by the chain of events that led to its inclusion in the November 1966 draft. Plastic pipe was not included in a draft of March 1966. At a committee meeting called in April, ostensibly to consider the appendices, a motion was narrowly passed to include plastic pipe for use in water distribution and drainage systems for one- and two-family dwellings. This action was later challenged by some committee members because there were only 15 members voting out of a total of 48 committee members. Some had not attended; others left the meeting before the vote was taken because the motion was originated late in the day. A new draft of the section on materials dated August 1966 was voted upon, resulting in 16 members for and 10 members against the inclusion of plastic pipe. The then-secretary of the USASI A40 sectional committee, Malcolm Hope of the U. S. Public Health Service, took this vote to mean that the proposed revision of the National Plumbing Code was ready for submission to the Construction Standards Board of USASI for review and promulgation as the recommended National Plumbing Code. But strenuous objections were raised against this proposal by committee members casting negative ballots, particularly the Cast Iron Soil Pipe Institute. Because of the furor raised, USASI did not proceed to process the November 1966 draft.

In December, one of the standard’s sponsors, the National Association of Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors, submitted a new draft which, upon letter ballot, did not receive a consensus, said to be five-sixths of those voting.

During the following year USASI began to evaluate the situation, and early this year announced that it was terminating the sponsorships of the co-sponsors, the American Public Health Association and the National Association of Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors, who were said to favor different drafts for the revised code. USASI had decided to appoint its own Construction Standards Board as sponsor pro tem in the hopes of finding some new approach to resolving committee member differences. But then when the May meeting of this year was announced, APHA and NAPHCC reappeared as co-sponsors. In the meantime the A40 committee acquired a new chairman, Raymond Brandes, who is vice-chairman of the Construction Standards Board, and a new secretary, Lawrence Carvey, staff engineer with USASI.

The May meeting appeared to be getting nowhere the first two days because agreement could not be reached on, for example, the definitions of “plumbing,” “plumbing appliance,” and “plumbing system.” Only a small part of the disagreement had to do with any technical matters—most of it involved...
jurisdictional matters, municipal purview and responsibilities of plumbing inspectors. This snarl was unraveled when the chairman finally appointed a small committee of volunteers to revise the definitions at an evening session, headed by Louis S. Nielsen, plumbing engineer with New York State’s Bureau of Building Codes, Division of Housing & Community Renewal, and technical editor of Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Business. On the final day of the meeting definitions were accepted without difficulty. This meant that one of the two major hurdles toward agreement on a draft had been overcome.

- The plastic pipe matter, of course, came up again. Presentations were made by the Cast Iron Soil Pipe Institute and by representatives of the plastic pipe industry. Apparently, however, most of the committee members were ready to accept plastic pipe for drainage, waste and vent piping for one- and two-family dwellings. The cast-iron interests maintained that the existing standards on plastic pipe did not provide sufficient protection to either the building owner or the installer (in the event of litigation). The plastic-pipe proponents offered evidence that there had been no complaints from owners of homes having plastic drain, waste and vent piping.

But after the new definitions had been accepted so readily by the committee members, following their presentation by the volunteer committee, there appeared to be little inclination to haggle any further over the substance of proposed drafts. The National Association of Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors withdrew a draft submitted by them dated March, 1968 that was, for the most part, the same as the November 1966 draft, known as the “Hope” or “PHS” draft, except that it followed the format of the original 1955 standard. It was then, the afternoon of the last day of the meeting, that the members attending voted overwhelmingly to submit the November 1966 draft to letter ballot, but modified to include the new definitions and reworked according to the original 1955 format.

- What finally brought things to a head? In the first place the co-sponsors were anxious to have a new standard—their differences had been primarily on format. They were basically in favor of the content of the November 1966 draft which contained a number of substantive changes that amounted to major advances, according to those familiar with plumbing engineering. Such changes included: changes in permissible stack loadings, permissible lengths of vents; new figures for storm water drainage; new curves for water supply demand versus fixture units. Thus after the definitions had been resolved to the satisfaction of various trade groups, the argument regarding format evaporated.

The USASI A40.8 standard is considered by those close to code work to serve mainly as a technical reference. It is rarely adopted in toto by a municipality. Portions of it, of course, may indeed be used in a given state code or municipal code. Hardly ever, it is pointed out, do code authorities relinquish their control over what materials are approved and disapproved in a given locality. Thus approval of materials in a USASI standard is seen more as a marketing tool for various manufacturing groups and unions, than as assurance that these materials will be necessarily approved in local codes, even though these codes may reference many sections of USASI A40.8.

Graduate course on building materials outlined

If advances are to be made in the economics and performance of building materials, then it is necessary for some civil engineering students to specialize in the science of building materials. This is the view of Torben C. Hansen, professor of building materials at the Technical University of Denmark in Copenhagen. Professor Hansen, who was at one time a research engineer at the Portland Cement Association, and later lectured on building materials at the University of California and at Stanford University, has proposed a tentative program for engineers in building materials that could lead to a Ph.D. degree. The program, which is heavily weighted with courses in chemistry and materials science, includes such subjects as solid-state thermodynamics; structure and properties of silicate materials, organic materials and composites; electron microscopy; experimental stress analysis and computer analysis; statistic experimental design and quality control.

Professor Hansen, in discussing his proposal in the July 1967 issue of the ASTM magazine, Materials Research & Standards, points out that, “in the development of new building materials or improvement of traditional materials, we are, for economic reasons, limited to use of low-cost materials that are abundant such as clay, sand, gravel, rock, solid waste materials, lime, water, iron ore, artificial hydrocarbons, wood, and other naturally occurring organic materials. In order to develop new, and improve traditional materials,” he continues, “we must educate materials engineers in the technology of silicate and organic materials, rather than metallurgy. Such engineers will be concerned with the use of metals and alloys and should have a good knowledge of the mechanical properties and durability of metals, but will generally not be responsible for development and production of alloys. The main emphasis in the education of building materials engineers should be on mechanical properties and durability.”

Minimum property standard for rehabilitation

New design and construction standards have just been issued by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and are written in terms of performance, a means of promoting rehabilitation. When local rehabilitation standards reach the level broadly outlined in HUD’s new guide (HUD PG-50), FHA should give blanket mortgage insurance to acceptable borrowers.

HUD says the new guide has three objectives: 1) to promote residential rehabilitation by assisting local FHA officials to establish realistic and easily understood standards for either single or multi-family dwellings; 2) to provide a basis upon which local renewal agencies can establish physical standards for improvement of properties in Federal assisted urban renewal areas or code enforcement projects; 3) to assist localities in model code organizations in interpreting and clarifying present code provisions and to make housing and building codes more effective tools for stimulating and guiding rehabilitation.

HUD points out that building codes deal mainly with physical standards that must be met by new construction. House codes, on the other hand, deal with health, safety and welfare in existing buildings. HUD says that experience has shown that literal interpretation and application of new construction standards is “not only unrealistic, but also is likely to be self-defeating by driving the cost of rehabilitation beyond the means of residents.

Federal funds set for fire research

Five million dollars in research funds have been authorized through fiscal 1969 for fire research and for the establishment of a Presidentially-appointed National Commission of Fire Prevention and Control. The bill calls for a fire research and safety program to be administered by the National Bureau of Standards. In addition, research grants may be awarded to state and local governments, and non-profit institutions.
Car-span construction provides wide drive aisles and easy parking. The beams are color-coded (strip in center) for patron's ease of reference. The exit ramp is of the straight type; ramp entrances are shown at two levels.

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...for a number of reasons, but primarily its, the most common parking deck built today is the self-service type in which the owner of the car, by parking and unparking his own vehicle, eliminates the parking attendant. The self-service garage itself, falls into two basic types: 1) transient, or fast turnover; 2) contract, monthly or all-day parking.

In the design of a transient, fast-turnover parking garage the object is to provide the most convenient flow of traffic, with stalls properly angled to make them easy to enter and leave. This is ordinarily accomplished by a completely one-way traffic system, with no crossing or conflicting traffic.

A typical parking deck width is 54 ft, with an 18 ft drive path down the center and a lane of angle-parked cars on either side. The stalls are usually striped at 60 degrees and are usually 8 ft 6 in. wide.

There is a flexibility in the angle of parking, with 60 degrees being nearest to the ideal. If it is necessary to work with a narrower module, the parking angle can be reduced to 55 degrees, or even 50 degrees, but this reduces the parking capacity of the facility by as much as 10 per cent. Below 50 degrees is extremely inefficient striping, and above 70 degrees becomes too difficult for most drivers to negotiate in one sweep.

Because a parking deck is primarily structure, the structural engineer should be involved in the early decision making process. Reason: 80 per cent of the cost of construction of a well-designed parking deck is the frame and foundation.

Most building codes classify an open parking structure as a distinct building and require that at least 50 per cent of two sides be open. In order to take advantage of the benefits in the code (primarily less fire protection) the designer must stay within this requirement.

Although there is a premium in cost for clear span structures, this is compensated for by increased flexibility—for example in ease with which the stalls can be restriped should the width of length of cars so dictate.

Code requirements: ways to cut costs
As noted before, most codes today recognize open parking structures as distinct buildings, and as long as 50 per cent of two sides remain open, sprinklers and mechanical ventilation can be eliminated and distance to exit can sometimes be increased.

The most variable item in all of the codes across the country is the live-load requirement for parking cars. It ranges from 40 lb per sq ft up to 100 lb per sq ft, being higher in the older codes.
The average load under a car is 30 lb per sq ft. On a normal floor, with cars parked in stalls, the average load drops to about 15 lb per sq ft. Combining knowledge of this actuality and the fact that the height limitation prohibits heavier vehicles, the structural engineer can successfully appeal the live load limit and reduce it to a more reasonable 50 lb per sq ft.

There are times, however, when the time and effort consumed in appealing a requirement are not worthwhile, and, if one fails in reducing the live load requirements he may still gain a substantial difference by being allowed to make a reduction in the supporting beams. For example, a 75 lb per sq ft live load requirement which allows a reduction in relation to the supported area produces a very logical loading on a beam supporting 500 sq ft or more.

The requirements of the codes are not keeping pace with the insurance statistics of parking structures, although some more progressive state inspection bureaus have, in recent years, reduced the occupancy charges of parking garages, which would tend to lower insurance rates. Today there is virtually no incidence of fire in parking structures, and the very few reported could have been handled best with a fire extinguisher. A fire extinguisher should be kept in a cabinet to thwart theft.

The conscientious fire marshal regards accessibility to the fire as the chief requirement of a building and will therefore be more cooperative in his interpretations if he knows that any fire without delay in a parking structure is open on two sides.

It goes without saying that below-grade parking structures require mechanical ventilation as well as sprinklers. Sprinklers should be of the spray type which starves a fire of oxygen.

Except in larger parking structures, only two fire stairs are normally required. Unless the stair can be tucked into a dead corner of the building, it can represent a substantial loss of income (as high as $600 per year per space) because it will require at least one parking space per floor.

In a sloped floor design with an express exit ramp, the floor itself is an exit. The exit ramp provides an escape to the outside. In fact, it is possible, in some cases, to include the exit ramp as one of the two required exits. In the sloped floor structure, the driver can proceed in almost any direction away from a fire and be able to exit from any floor. It is apparent, therefore, that a too-literal interpretation of the code often can result in more exiting requirements than are realistically needed.

Some important design criteria

For the sake of brevity, this discussion will be confined to the physical characteristics of the various elements of one type of parking garage construction (among the three most common) and that is cast-in-place conventionally reinforced concrete.

Floor slopes: good parking deck floor design calls for a maximum of 3½ percent slope upward combined with a gentle slope of the floor downward away from the drivepath into the stall sufficient to offset the upward floor pitch so that the car is actually heading down into the stall.

This serves two purposes:
1) It eliminates the possibility of the car rolling back into the aisle in case it has not been braked properly; and
2) It makes parking easier because it is easier to coast downward into a stall than it is to drive up into it; hence the driver is more likely to put the car all the way into the stall and not leave the back of his car in the drivepath.

Slopes of both upward and downward ramps should not exceed 10 percent, and, in the case of a circular ramp, this should be measured at the outer extremity of the drivepath. Outside diameter is a minimum of 70 ft and, for easier driving, these ramps are, of course, banked.

Standard headroom for a parking deck is 7 ft. This is sufficient for the purpose and also acts as a barrier against heavier vehicles which, of course, would mean heavier load requirements. This headroom can be reduced somewhat at the foot of a car stall, but wherever a pedestrian can walk and in the drivepath, 7 ft should be the minimum.

In order to reduce exit driving to a minimum, an access to the exit ramp should be provided at each floor level. The treatment of the juncture of the floor and the exit ramp, which is, in effect, changing from an upslope to a downslope, is critical. The blending of these slopes to provide a smooth transition may have to be done several times before the whole geometry is comprehended. It helps to build clay models in order to visualize the transition from one direction to another.

Whether straight or circular, the downramp should be wide enough to be comfortable for the driver. Because of the path which the car scribes in turning, the circular ramp, of course, should be wider than the straight run ramp. Fifteen feet is standard for a one-lane downward circular ramp; two or three feet less than this will be adequate for a straight run ramp.

Columns: For both short and long spans, it is important to keep column sizes to a minimum, because any loss floor area due to the columns must be compensated by greater module width.

Long span beams: On long spans the engineer will do well to use a 2-in. to 2½-in. camber. Although only a portion of this is lost through dead load deflection, the optical illusion of a sagging beam is eliminated.

Among the many practices recommended by concrete specialists is the elimination of vertical parapets. The gentle slope of the floor downward away from the drivepath into the stall will demonstrate that this significantly reduces cracking due to shrinkage during curing.

Cracks which result in leaks are the biggest nuisance in cast-in-place concrete. And parking structures, because of their constant exposure to the elements, are more vulnerable to the weather than enclosed buildings.

If the building contains commercial space with finished ceilings, a more positive, waterproofed surface is required. This can be achieved through modern surface treatments which incorporate a membrane and wearing surface and requires no depression.

The finishing of parking deck floors is somewhat different from the finishing of concrete floors in most buildings, general, they are much rougher surfaces. The parking areas are wood floated machine floated and left without further treatment. Drivepaths have a more broom finish, probably a little heavier than a sidewalk, with the direction of the brooming parallel to the direction of travel. The purpose of this is to reduce wear on the brushes which are used to clean the floors.

High slope ramps require a heavier broom finish sloping downward and in the inside face of the ramp for good drainage. Steel trowel finishing would defeat the purpose, which, of course, is to provide traction on a rough surface.

Good drainage is the best method of controlling leakage. A positive pitch of the floor of no less than 1 percent, ¾ in. per ft, is recommended; any less will result in standing water. The drainage should be tucked up tight in corners at columns and protected with metal guards and never located in the parking areas.

Bumper stops are preferred over wheel stops for two reasons: the differences in the overhang of cars and the greater ease of cleaning the floor. The usual bumper stop is an upturned concrete parapet 2 ft high, or it may be a high guard rail. A 3½-ft parapet pipe rail or cable rail above the bump is used to restrict pedestrians.

The rule to follow in the matter of curbs in parking deck design is: if the question about need, leave it o
Major savings in cost, weight and time resulted from the use of a gypsum-plank floor system with a steel frame for the new Cricklewood Hill apartment building in Pittsburgh. The building was originally designed in flat plate concrete, but poor foundation conditions increased the overall cost of the project to the extent that the developer was unwilling to bear the cost. The architect, Joel Hillman, and his structural engineer, William Schmidt, then turned to the gypsum plank system which grew out of a study by Tishman Research Corporation and the School of Architecture, Pratt Institute. Purpose of the research project was to develop a low-cost, floor-ceiling construction for low income, high-rise housing under HHFA and Ford Foundation grants.

Though metal-edge gypsum plank has been used for roof decks for at least 40 years, it has been used as floor decking for only a few buildings. Two developments have greatly enhanced its prospects for floor decking however: 1) the gypsum core is impregnated with asphalt to make it water resistant; 2) welding equipment has been developed that permits economical welding of the light-gauge metal edges of the plank to each other and to the bar joists. U.S. Steel collaborated with the U.S. Gypsum Company in refining the plank system.

The system is "dry" and can be installed regardless of the weather. The tongue-and-groove planks are laid dry, without grouting, on bar joists, spaced up to 4 ft o-c, depending on the live load. The plank edges are welded to the joists and adjacent edges are welded together so that the floor will act as a diaphragm to transfer wind loads to the braced frames in the interior of the structure. The ceiling consists of ½-in. gypsum board attached to furring channels which have been wired to the joists. Then, before or after the dry-wall partitions have been erected, the planks are coated with a ½-in. layer of mastic that provides a smooth surface for the floor covering. This particular floor system (plank and mastic) weighs only 17 psf. This construction by itself would not meet current FHA impact noise requirements; addition of carpet would make it acceptable. The impact noise rating of the basic floor construction can be improved considerably by adding 1-in. thick sheets of sound-deadening board and increasing the mastic thickness.

While acknowledging the many benefits accruing to the system's light weight, the architect for Cricklewood Apartments, Joel Hillman has said that the system is not a "panacea." Like any system, it requires consideration of planning, site and code matters.
Slab design for the Madison Square Garden rink

The ice rink is one huge, jointless, concrete slab filled with closely-spaced wrought-iron pipes for freezing the ice. A special slip plane was provided to allow the slab to move freely.

The new Madison Square Garden in New York City is probably best known for its columnless space—provided by a caisson-type roof. But what is more important to the athletes, performers and maintenance personnel is a sound floor—in particular the 202- by 93-ft area used for the ice rink. This was not an easy task because this huge area had to be jointless yet still not crack. Further, design criteria called for a "self-polishing" floor surface, requiring the top of the slab to be very dense.

Because of the "jointless" criteria the slab had to be free to move as temperature was changed by means of a grid of pipes to freeze or thaw the thick layer of ice used for hot matches and ice extravaganzas. If the slab were to crack, it could be easily damaged by water seeping to the underside of the rink slab and undoubtably cause heaving as well as further cracking.

Freedom of movement for expansion and contraction was made possible by setting the ice-rink slab on top of a sheet of zinc-copper. The basic idea for the floor, which is covered by the Carpenter patent, has as its purpose the provision of an underlayment or vapor barrier. The components of the system applied over the main structural slab, as follows: 1) 4-in.-thick high-density cork set in hot tar, 2) 1/4-in.-thick precast concrete that serves as a waterproofing membrane, 3) 3/4-in. layer of stone, 4) zinc-copper sheet, 5) precast concrete pipe supports, 6) grid of 2-in.-diameter wrought iron pipes, 7) precast concrete. Total thickness of the slab is 5 1/4 in. Because of the difficulty in placing the 5,000 psi-strength concrete, it had to be vibrated continuously as it was placed. The upper 3/4 in. of the slab consists of a topping applied by Absorption Process. Enough water was added to achieve good workability during mixing and placing; when workability is no longer needed, the water is extracted by means of absorption blankets and a drier material. It took 22 1/2 hours to place the whole concrete floor; two steps took 11 hours each.

Three 18-ton chillers are used to freeze the ice. When the ice is to be removed, hot brine is pumped through the pipes to break the bond between the ice and the slab. The broken ice is then shoveled to chutes by motorized equipment.

Architects for Madison Square Garden Center were Charles Luckman Associates, Syska & Hennessy, Inc. were mechanical and electrical engineers. Mechanical contractor was Kerby Saund Inc.; and general contractor was Turner Construction Company—Del E. Webb Corporation.
Acrylic-type semi-gloss enamels feature high performance

Gerald Allyn, Resins Department, Rohm and Haas Company

As their introduction shortly after World War II, water-based flat paints virtually captured the interior flat paints market. Latex exterior house paints—introduced fewer than 10 years ago—are also showing rapid and widespread acceptance. Among the major reasons for this popularity are the many application conveniences water-based paints offer: fast recoat time, absence of solvent odor, and quick cleanup.

Until recently, however, these paint advantages were restricted to flat paints—high performance latex enamel was not available. Consequently, it was necessary for architects to specify solvent-thinned paints for interior areas required the added hardness, durability and washability provided by a high-gloss enamel.

This is no longer the case. Now semi-gloss coatings are available that offer performance that is equal or, in some cases, superior to existing solvent-thinned enamels.

The first satisfactory acrylic latex interior or semi-gloss enamels were introduced in 1965. Today nearly 200 paint manufacturers offer acrylic latex semi-gloss enamels, despite the fact that all of them also produce excellent solvent-thinned semi-gloss paints.

This means that architects can now recommend the use of total water-based interior wall paint systems. The total latex system consists of primer-sealers, flat paints for most interior walls, and semi-gloss latex enamels for high humidity areas such as kitchens, lavatories, bathrooms and locker rooms and for dirt, high traffic areas.

Shortcomings

Though some latex enamels have been liable in the past, they have all suffered from several shortcomings. For example, their appearance did not equal that of solvent-thinned semi-gloss paints. Their fast drying time and limited flow and leveling characteristics caused lightly brush and lap marks. Immediately after being brushed on, paint film has an irregular surface showing visible grooves made by brush bristles. Viewed in cross section, the irregularities appear as peaks and valleys. The flowing out of these marks before the paint film sets is called leveling.

Until the development of the new acrylic latex semi-gloss enamels, the flow and leveling characteristics of early latex-based enamels were inherently poor. The resulting brush marks are definitely unacceptable in higher sheen coatings.

Key to the solution of the flow and leveling problems was an acrylic emulsion vehicle called Rhoplex AC-22, with unique application characteristics. Thickeners are required in latex paint systems to increase viscosity to a practical level and to inhibit pigment sedimentation. However, thickeners are detrimental to good leveling in most polymer emulsions. Thickeners also tend to flocculate the system and reduce gloss.

Rhoplex AC-22 emulsion is inherently thixotropic, i.e., it becomes "thinner" the more it is stirred or worked; then it becomes thick again when this action stops. Consequently, a desirable viscosity level can be attained with low thickener concentrations. Thus the paint flows and levels well; sagging is minimized.

This behavior provides acrylic latex semi-gloss enamels with an excellent balance of flow, leveling and sag resistance properties as demonstrated by figures 3 and 4. The solvent-thinned control sample has a flow rating of five but a poor sag rating of eight. In comparison, the latex semi-gloss paint has the same flow rating, but its sag index is only five.

Eliminating Lap Marks

Another characteristic that affected the appearance of previous latex enamels was their short open, or wet-edge, time. This is the length of time a coat of paint remains wet enough to allow "brushing-in" of laps. While lap marks do not seriously detract from the appearance of a flat paint, they do mar the appearance of glossy or semi-gloss finishes.

Open time in semi-gloss enamels formulated with Rhoplex AC-22 acrylic emulsion is adjusted during manufac-

Figure 1: test panels show superior wet adhesion of acrylic semi-gloss enamel compared with earlier latex enamels. Panel A is the acrylic; panel B, the earlier latex. Both have been applied over a dark gloss alkyd enamel undercoat. Panels are scribed to permit water penetration.

Figure 2: after 45 minutes of immersion, panel B blistered badly, and both coats of latex enamel are readily peeled off. In contrast the acrylic enamel is extremely difficult to peel, and when peeled does not separate from the undercoat.
Figure 3: Both acrylic latex semi-gloss enamel (left) and solvent thinned enamel (right) have good leveling properties.

Figure 4: Acrylic latex paint has better sag resistance than solvent thin paint—a rating of 5 against 8 (10 is poor resistance).

ture by adding propylene glycol. This slows down the drying time of the paint and provides up to 20 minutes wet-edge retention, eliminating lap marks. As a result acrylic semi-gloss enamels do not dry as quickly as latex flat paints. However, they do dry as quickly as oil or alkyd enamels, and most formulations are ready for recoating in four hours. This compares with seven to 16 hours between coats for typical alkyd enamels. Thus a surface can be given two coats of an acrylic latex enamel in the same day.

New enamels have good adhesion

Although unsatisfactory appearance has been the most noticeable fault of previous latex enamels, poor adhesion to old glossy surfaces was another shortcoming. Semi-gloss systems used for repainting work are normally applied to the mechanically smooth surface of an old oil-based or alkyd enamel. Consequently, poor adhesion was an especially serious shortcoming.

The unique chemical composition of the acrylic polymer on which the new latex enamels are based has solved this adhesion problem. The new acrylic latex enamels adhere well to virtually every type of clean, previously painted surface, including old oleoresinous enamels. Among the new surfaces that have been coated successfully with latex enamels are plaster, concrete, brick, concrete block, wood, wallboard and properly primed metals. The alkaline resistance of the acrylic vehicle permits application over new or patched plaster without danger of lime burn.

Wet adhesion is particularly important in enamels commonly used in bathrooms, kitchens and other areas where high humidity and spills can be expected. Earlier latex enamels have lacked wet adhesion, but paints based on Rhoplex AC-22 emulsion have this property as shown in figures 1 and 2.

Washability an outstanding quality

Along with wet adhesion, washability is a prime requirement for any semi-gloss enamel. The scrub resistance of the new acrylic latex semi-gloss enamels exceeds that of interior paints made with other emulsion polymers and compares favorably to that of alkyd enamels. High alkali and water resistance enables them to withstand detergents. They show no perceptible film damage or loss of gloss with repeated scrubbing. Grease, common household stains, pen, pencil and crayon marks are easily removed with soap and water.

The polymeric film formed by these paints is typically tough and flexible and retains these properties on aging. White acrylic latex enamels resist yellowing with age. Color retention is excellent.

While originally intended for conventional enamel applications, the new finishes are also replacing latex flat paints for many jobs. Although specific reasons for each change vary with the application, one common advantage seems to apply in all cases: the paints combine the low maintenance and durability of semi-gloss enamels with the application convenience and low odor of flat paints.

An increasing number of public housing authorities now use latex enamels in place of latex flat wall paint. Schools, hospitals, hotels, motels and restaurants are also making use of the new enamels. Fast occupancy of accommodations and lack of residual odor among the important considerations determining their use.

Acrylic latex semi-gloss enamels are available in premixed colors or in a white tint base with compatible tint system. They are applied the same as latex paints, with brush, roller or spray. Only soap and water are needed for cleaning.

As previously stated, the new acrylic latex enamels will adhere to virtually any properly prepared substrate. New painted surfaces should be prepared according to the manufacturer’s directions or as described in “A Guide to the Use of Acrylic Paints” (ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, November 1965).

Development of satisfactory latex semi-gloss enamels is probably the most significant advance in modern paint technology since the introduction of durable water based exterior paints over a decade ago. However, further improvements in modern paint chemistry are predicted. Future developments are expected to include higher gloss systems, the development of acrylic latex self-sealing exterior trim paints, and interior latex flat wall paints with greater durability and washability.
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