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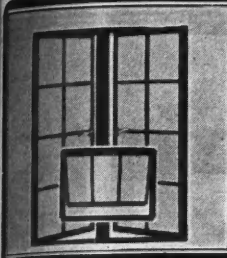
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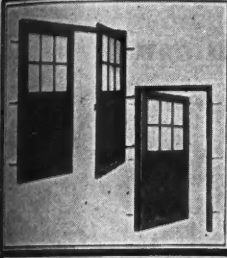
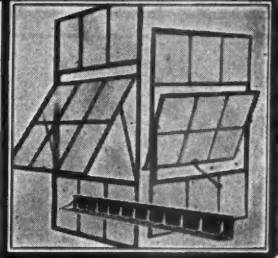
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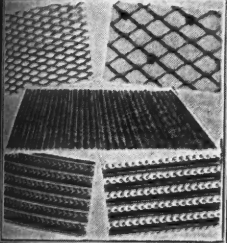
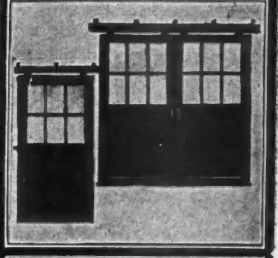
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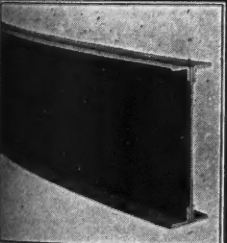
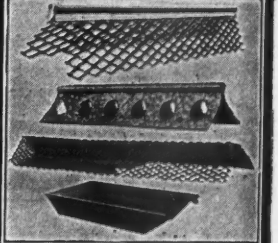
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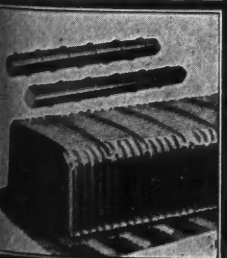
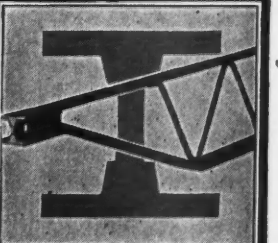
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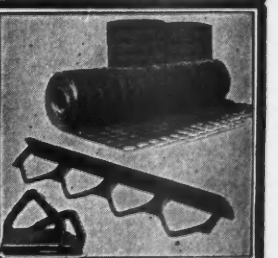
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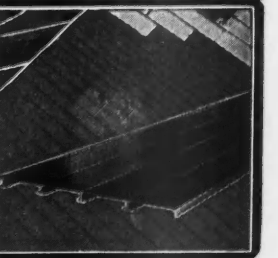
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s *this!*



No matter what weather conditions may be, you can always get in and out of your garage as easily as you enter or leave your house—once you have installed *Slidetite*. In the most bitter days of winter, as in mid-summer, they respond instantly—even to the light touch of a child. In brief, *Slidetite* is the very last word in garage-door convenience and efficiency!

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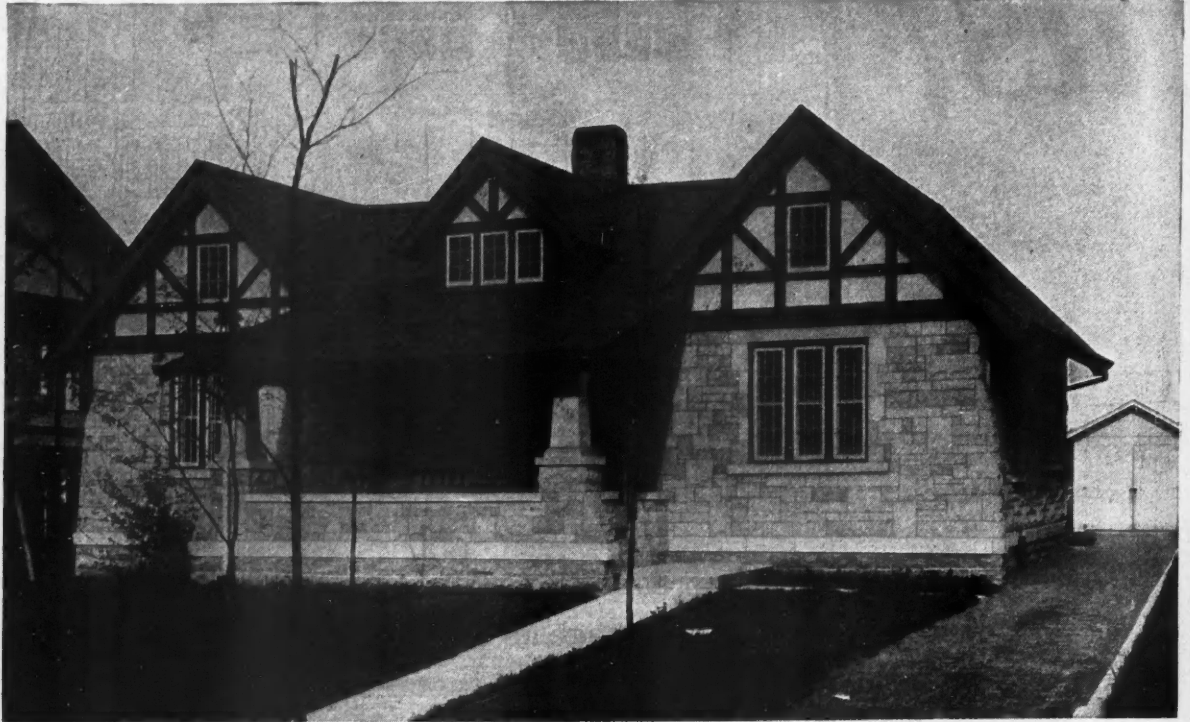
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Stone Bungalows Quick to Sell

Learn the facts about the new profit opportunities which recent low-cost methods of preparing, handling and using Indiana Limestone open up to the contractor. Plan books free. See coupon



English style bungalow, five rooms and bath. Ordinary wood stud-frame construction faced with veneer of Indiana Limestone laid up as rock-face Random Ashlar.

A NEW profit opportunity has opened up in the building field. Many live contractors have already taken advantage of it.

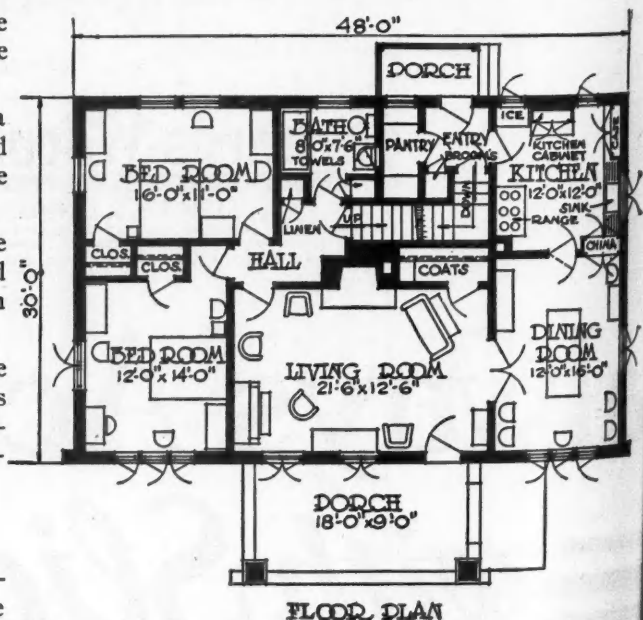
New methods of preparing and handling Indiana Limestone now make this beautiful, light-colored natural stone practical for all types of residence construction.

Large production and new ways of using the stone make its cost moderate. We ship all over the United States, competing with local stones and even with substitute materials.

Many moderate-cost houses and bungalows have already been built of Indiana Limestone. One is pictured here. We will send you Plan Books showing many others. Or we can send you folder showing bungalows only. Use the coupon.

Used as veneer

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FLOOR PLAN

Floor plan of bungalow shown above. Our Bungalow Folder contains many other attractive plans.

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Indiana Limestone in this form is shipped from the quarries direct to the job. There it is broken, jointed and laid up. A stone mason or a bricklayer can do the work. Stone cutting is reduced to a minimum.

Jointing made easy

The stone is now jointed to proper length by a remarkably simple operation. An electric carborundum hand saw is used in place of the old mallet and chisel. This saw cuts a groove in the face of the stone. Then it is turned over and a tap with the mallet breaks it cleanly along the lines of the groove. By this method, one man can keep six stone-masons busy. Your stone-masons spend all their time on the wall laying up stone, instead of on the ground jointing it.

Indiana Limestone used in this way is applied as a veneer to stud-frame walls. Or it may be used as a structural facing over hollow tile or brick. It is secured to frame walls with galvanized metal ties, the same as a veneer of face brick work. This method is so simple that construction goes ahead with maximum speed.

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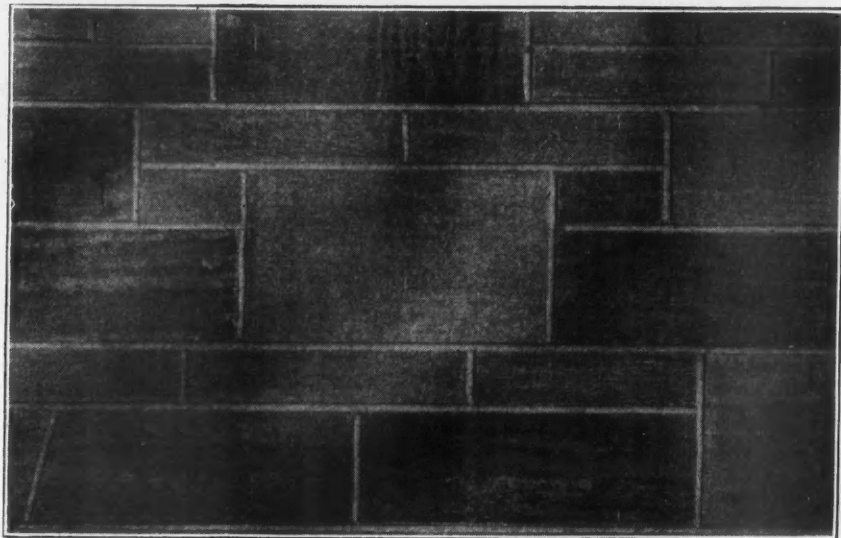
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Let us send you plan books and full information on construction. Without obligating you in any way, we will post you thoroughly on this wonderful building stone.

Write to us today for all the facts about Indiana Limestone. For convenience, fill in your name and address on the coupon opposite, clip it out and mail it today. The booklets and further information will be sent you immediately.



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For years plumbing fixtures have been more practical than beautiful. Styles were standardized. Individuality was priceless because unobtainable.

Then "Standard" designers visioned a way to greater distinction. That way was not to turn from today's ideal materials to the marble slab with cemented-in bowl, rococo and reminiscent of the brownstone fronts of the Eighties. It was to create finer forms, and then to improve

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So they originated designs, not forgetting that simplicity is an art from which beauty springs—even in Vitreous China Plumbing Fixtures. Plumbing fixtures, yes, but you will very likely think of them as fine bathroom furniture.

Today thousands of women the country over have seen the new "Standard" Plumbing Fixtures pictured in the national magazines. They want these beautiful new fixtures in the home they rent or purchase. Wise is that builder who caters to this ever-growing demand by specifying "Standard" Plumbing Fixtures and Fixtures



Fittings for the "Templeton" Lavatory are as original in design as the lavatory itself. Fine silverware is not wrought with greater care. Hexagonal in design and stately in appearance is this beautiful fitting. Finished in Chromard, with hand-hammered panels in natural color, antique or green gold.

Standard Sanitary Mfg. Co.
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"Standard"
PLUMBING FIXTURES

The
"Standard"
"Three 8's"
 Sink
Acid-Resisting



From breakfast hour until the dinner dishes are washed at night, the kitchen sink is on duty. You will wonder then that the kitchen sink is the first consideration when prospects inspect the kitchen. Because it is the most-used fixture in every home, prospective buyers and tenants demand that it be also the most efficient. Here is a sink that keeps its bright beauty permanently. Dirt particles cannot become pit-tered in its hard, glass-smooth enamel. Minerals in the water, cleansers, even fruit and vegetable juices cannot roughen or discolor it. The enamel is Acid-Resisting Enamel. Visit a "Standard" Showroom to see this modern sink — with 8-inch low back that fits

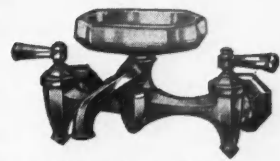
under a deep, cheerful window and 8-inch deep sink compartment—deeper by two inches. It is made in several sizes and styles and in several beautiful colors as well as white.

Be sure to specify Acid-Resisting Enamel, as many other "Standard" models are also made in the regular enamel. The trademark "Standard" A-R, identifying Acid-Resisting Enamel, is impressed in every "Three 8's" Sink.

Before you build or remodel any home or apartment, be sure to write for the new book "Standard" Plumbing Fixtures for the Home. It contains many ideas and suggestions for the arrangement of kitchen, laundry, and bathroom. This book will be mailed on request.

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This hand-wrought faucet of beautiful octagonal design with swinging-spout is finished in Chromard, a metal finish which has the sheen of platinum which will never tarnish or corrode



The directly attached garbage container of Genuine Vitreous China with removable aluminum receptacle can be pushed back under the sink on a folding bracket

The Surf

CHICAGO



MR. LEWIS S. THOMAS, Manager "The Surf," one of Chicago's fine apartment hotels, tells of satisfaction with outside icing.

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"The Surf," opened in 1918, was the first fine apartment hotel in Chicago built to offer beautifully furnished apartments with every house-keeping convenience, plus complete, fine hotel service. Mr. Thomas says:

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"There is always plenty of ice to chip, for use in crisping salads and green vegetables, serving on butter to keep it firm, placing in drinking water, preparing frozen desserts, et cetera.

"A properly designed, well iced refrigerator delivers a perfect service. Ice is a product which cannot be improved upon. It answers every need, not only for the private home or apartment, but for the largest and finest hotel, in a thoroughly adequate way."

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If he gets all these qualities, he knows he will have the Sander which will give him the most feet of surfacing per dollar—and that's what he wants.

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First, it is the only Sander with a definite, positive written guar-



antee of performance. Assurance that the CLARKE will actually do the work he wants done.

Second, the light, powerful, fast-cutting CLARKE VACUUM PORTABLE SANDER can be carried

with one hand and attached to any light socket. Positive evidence that it costs less to take to the job, and less to operate on the job.

Third, the CLARKE principle of light weight, speed and power—as contrasted with dead-weight and slow motion has demonstrated savings in all progressive industries.

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Fourth, past performance and present day evidence on every hand proves that the CLARKE "answers all calls"—quantity work—quality work—close work—open work—floor work—bench work—all—at the lowest cost per foot.

Those who face and buy on facts, invest in the CLARKE. Get the facts. They cost you nothing, and will save you much.

Do not buy any sander, at any time, at any place, at any price, until you see what work the CLARKE can do for you.

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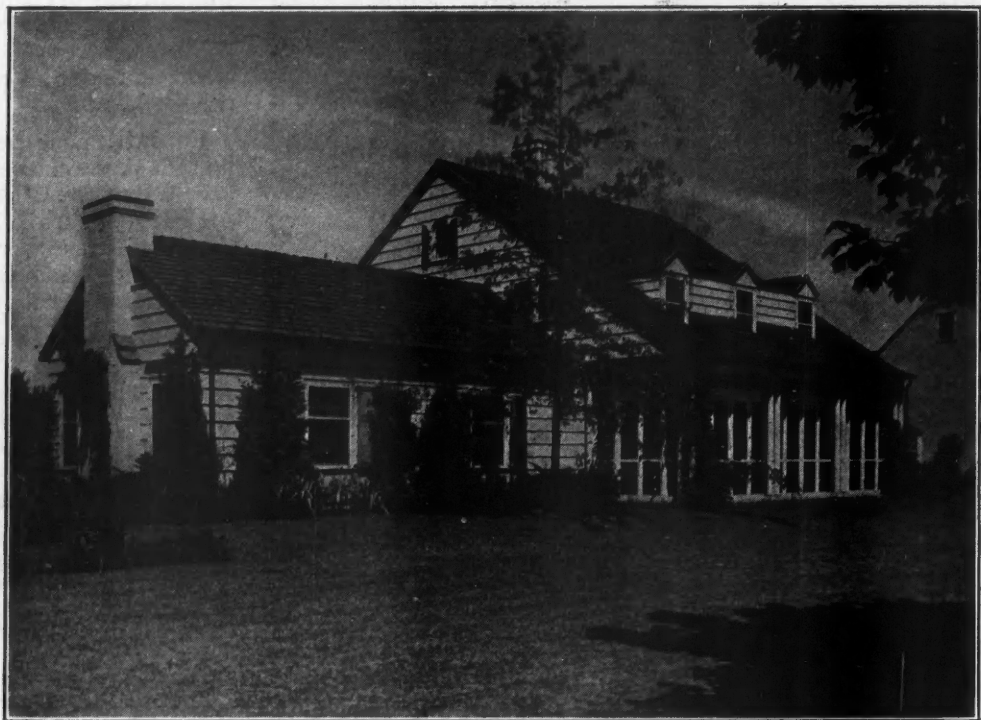
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City.....
State.....

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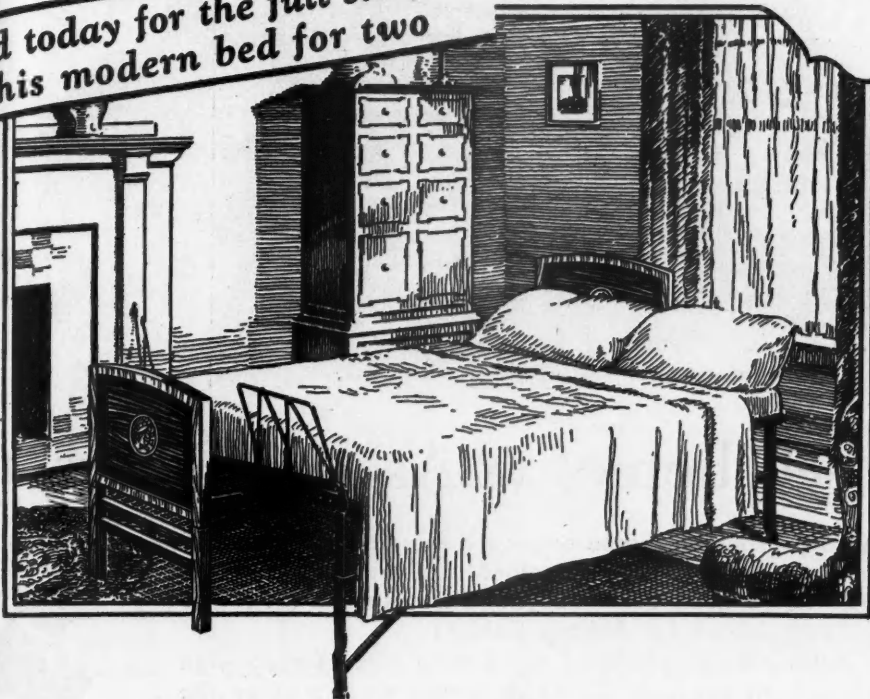


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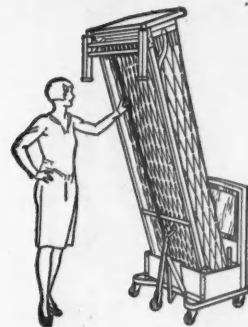
HERE is a bed for two so easy to move that it can be rolled about anywhere with one hand. And it is so compact that it can be kept in a small hall closet.

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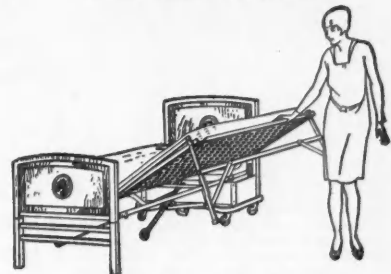
It does away with closet doors in living rooms and provides larger, more comfortable quarters—at no extra cost. In the construction of big apartment buildings, it sometimes adds an entire apartment to each floor.

Think of how all this will cut down your construction costs! Think of how much more profitably you can build! Think of how much easier it will be to sell and rent!

Send today for the full story of the Seng Duofold Roller Bed. It will be mailed to you promptly on receipt of attached coupon.



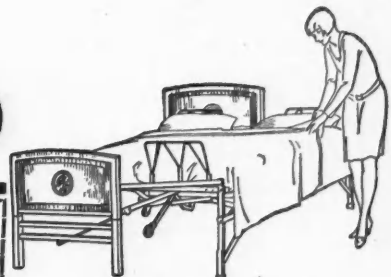
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Asbury Gables nestles right on a New Jersey pine ridge. On one side is the Atlantic; on the other the municipal golf course. It is a beautiful setting for these charming homes.

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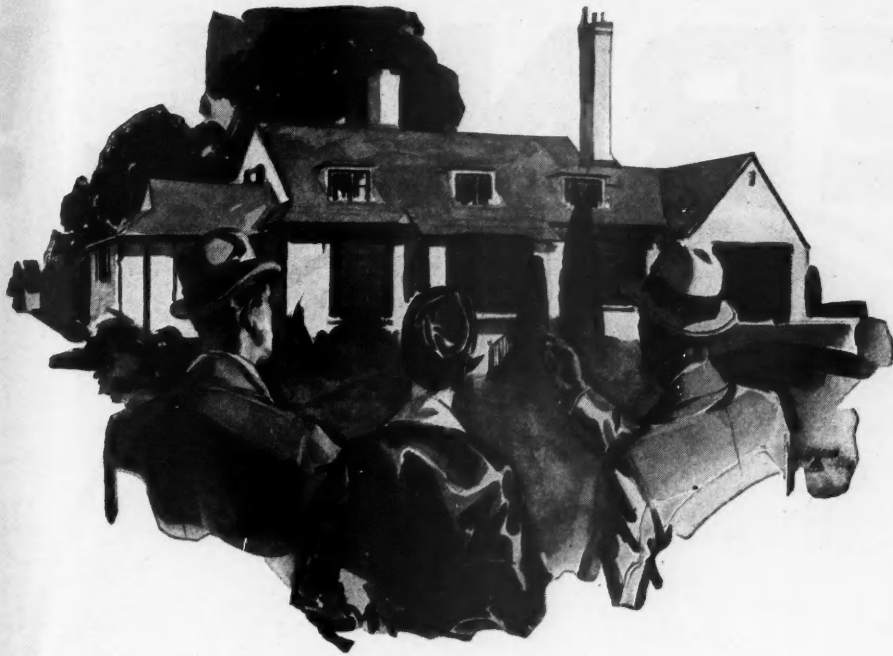
William F. B. Koelle, Architect: "In planning the homes of Asbury Gables, we took full advantage of the home buyer's demand for color. I know of no asbestos roofing shingle that compares with the striking beauty of Eternit Heatherblends. The shadow lines that the horizontal method permits are particularly pleasing."



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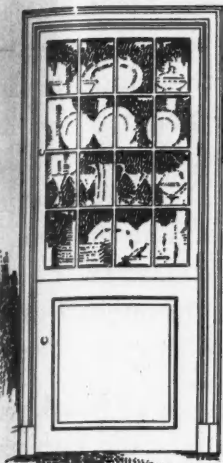


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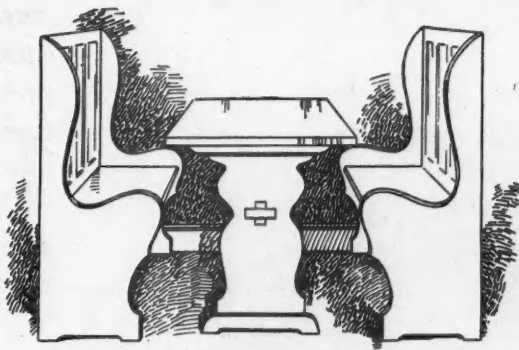
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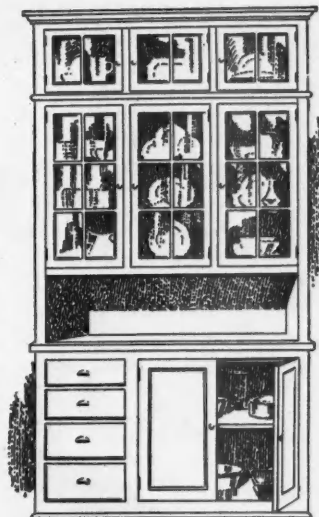
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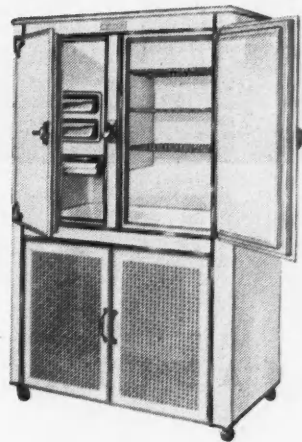
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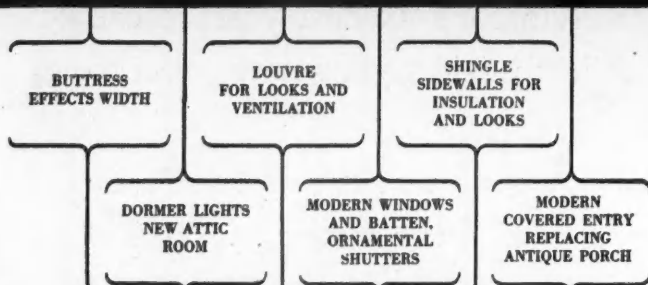
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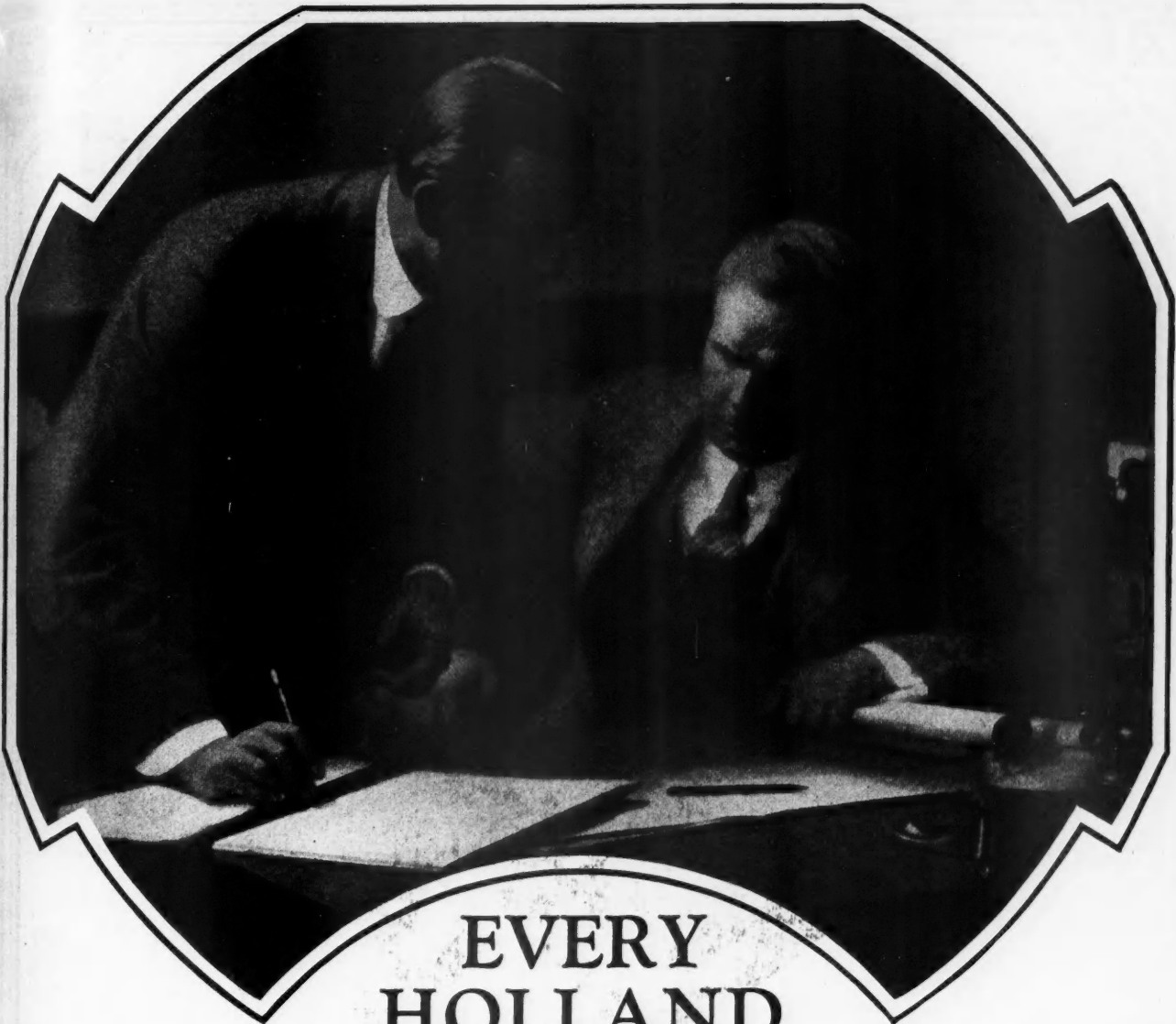
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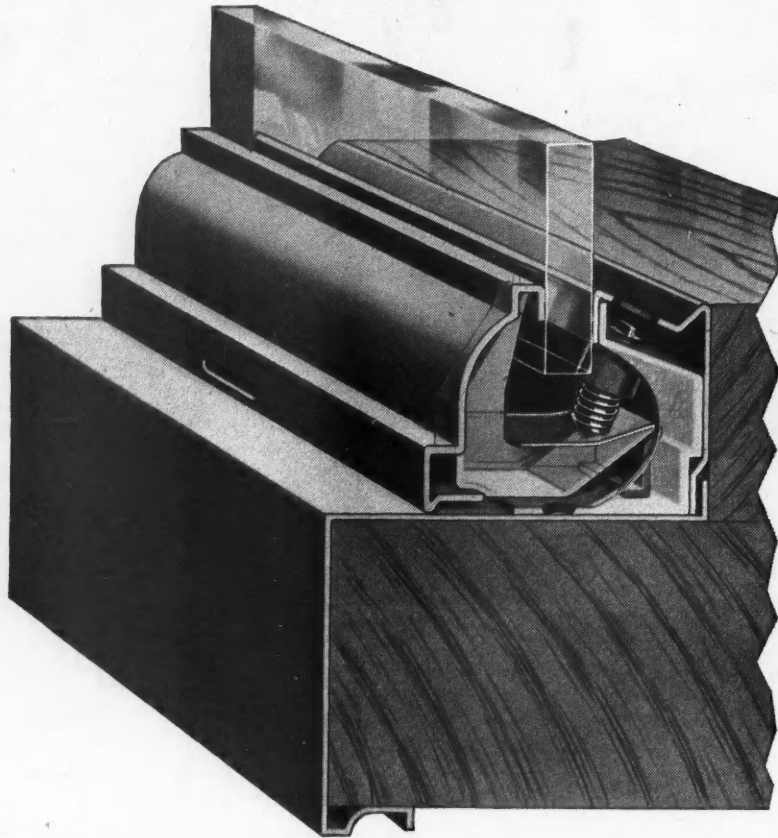
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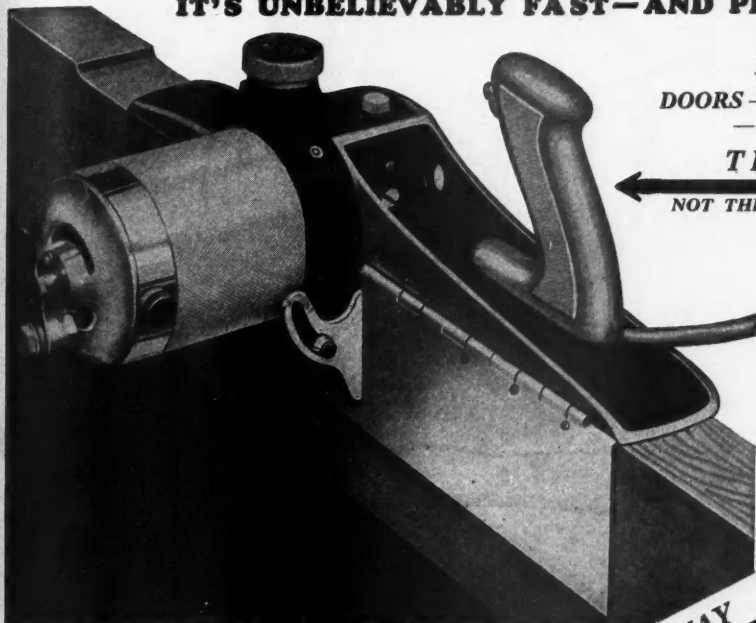
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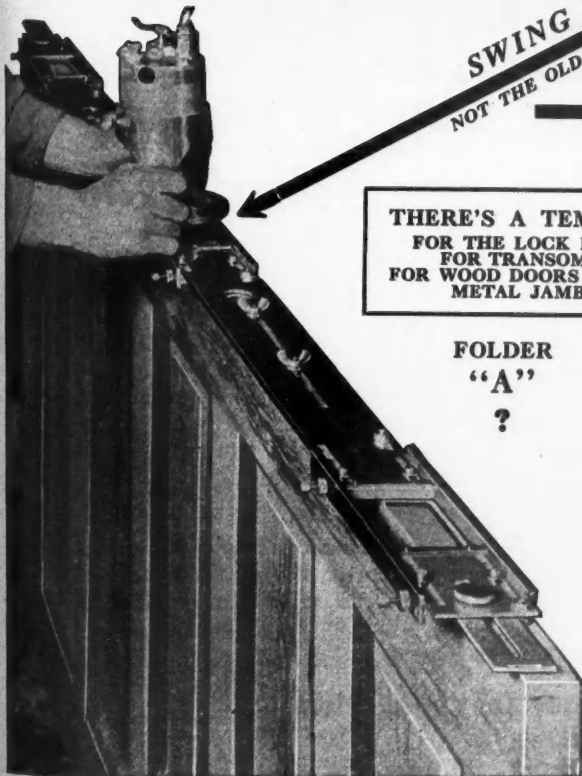
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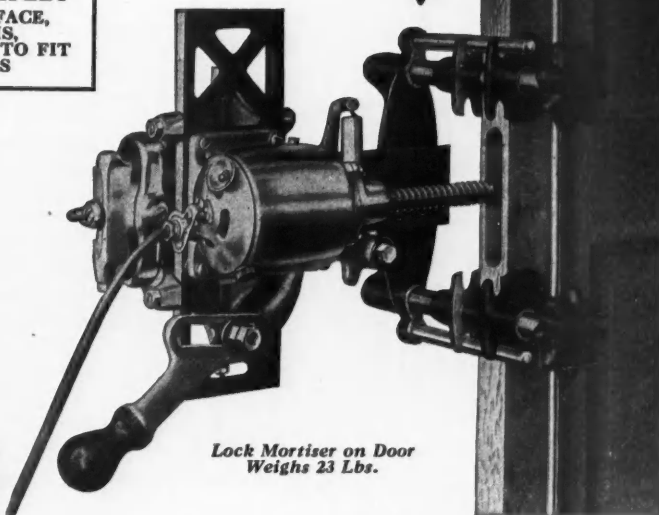
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Sargent Hardware

a profitable investment for builders . . .

NATION-WIDE, to millions of persons all over the country, Sargent consumer advertising is carrying the story of the beautiful designs in the Sargent line, and the permanent satisfaction given by Sargent Hardware of solid brass and solid bronze. *House & Garden, House Beautiful, Country Life, Garden and Home Builder, and The Literary Digest* are taking this story to people who are interested in building or in buying homes.

This means that, more and more, persons who come to you for homes can be impressed and influenced in the matter of their choice by the use of Sargent Hardware.

Hardware helps sell homes. Just as copper downspouts and brass piping help convince prospects that the invisible details, those important parts of the home that are hidden away where they remain unnoticed until they cause trouble, have been faithfully and honestly made of the best materials . . . just so, the hardware you use sways their opinion. If the hardware is cheap, shabby and shoddy, home buyers suspect that everything in the home is the same. If the hardware is Sargent Hardware of solid brass and solid bronze, they feel that the rest of the house is staunch, and solid, and true. It makes it easier for you to close a sale.

Sargent Hardware of time-defying, rust-resisting solid brass and solid bronze helps you establish a reputation for building homes that give permanent satisfaction. And it saves you the expense of making repairs just after a house has been sold.

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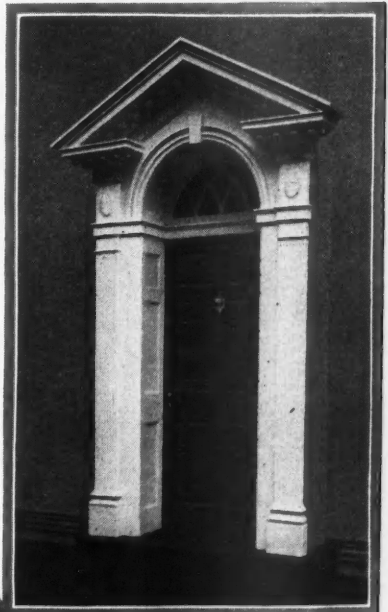
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Many Sargent pieces are similar to the antique hardware on doorways exhibited in the Metropolitan

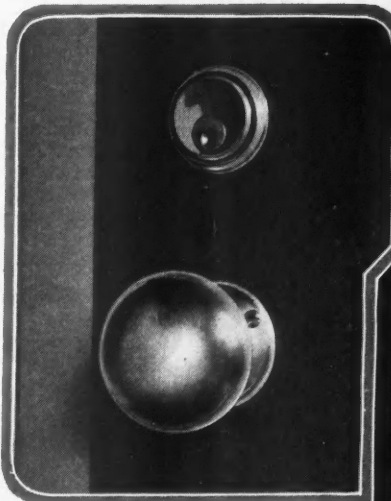
IN THE early years of the Republic, some master carpenter built this doorway in Ridgeville, Maryland, working out the classical tradition in wood. The sensitiveness of its detail, its dainty knocker and small round knob have won comment in the Metropolitan.

The patient, careful spirit of craftsmanship, which guided the builders of the doorways exhibited at The Metropolitan Museum, guides the makers of Sargent Hardware in present-day New England. It has placed at the disposal of modern home builders solid brass and solid bronze hardware in authentic Colonial designs—interior hardware, as well as heavy knockers and robust entrance handles. Every piece of it, lock set or hinge, is hardware well made. Quiet and smooth of operation. Prepared to serve faithfully for generations.

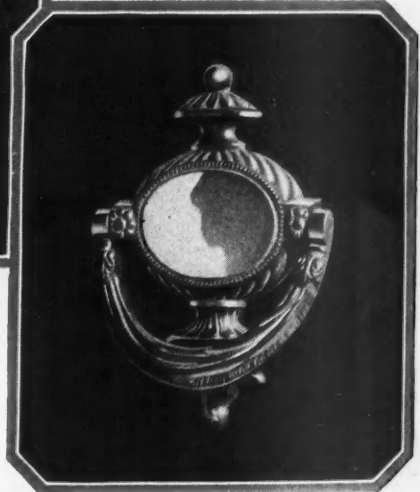
A post-card will bring the book of designs, "Hardware for Utility and Ornamentation." Select Sargent pieces with your architect. Sargent & Company, 51 Water Street, New Haven, Connecticut.



The detail of brass hardware on this doorway exhibited by The Metropolitan Museum is of interest to all who build in the American tradition. The decorative knocker carries out the effect of the design. The simple brass knob shows the influence of classical restraint.



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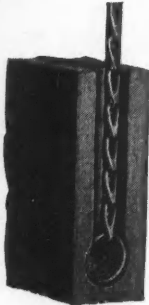




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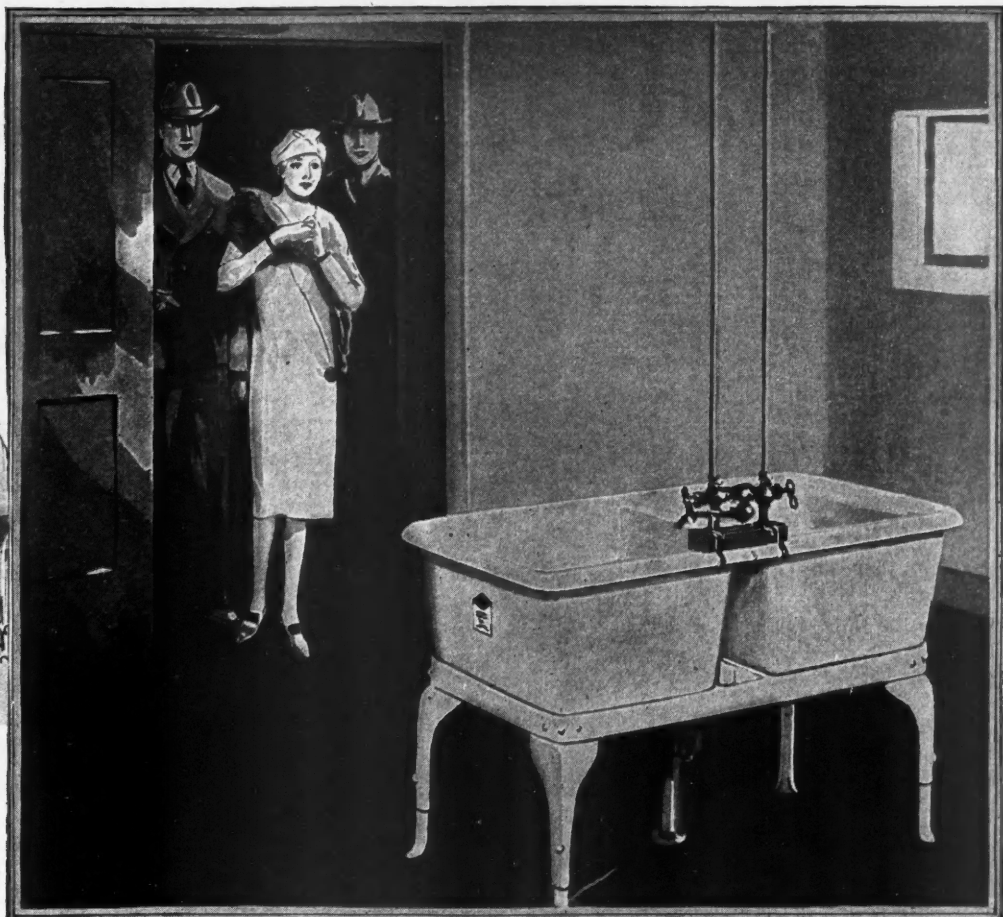
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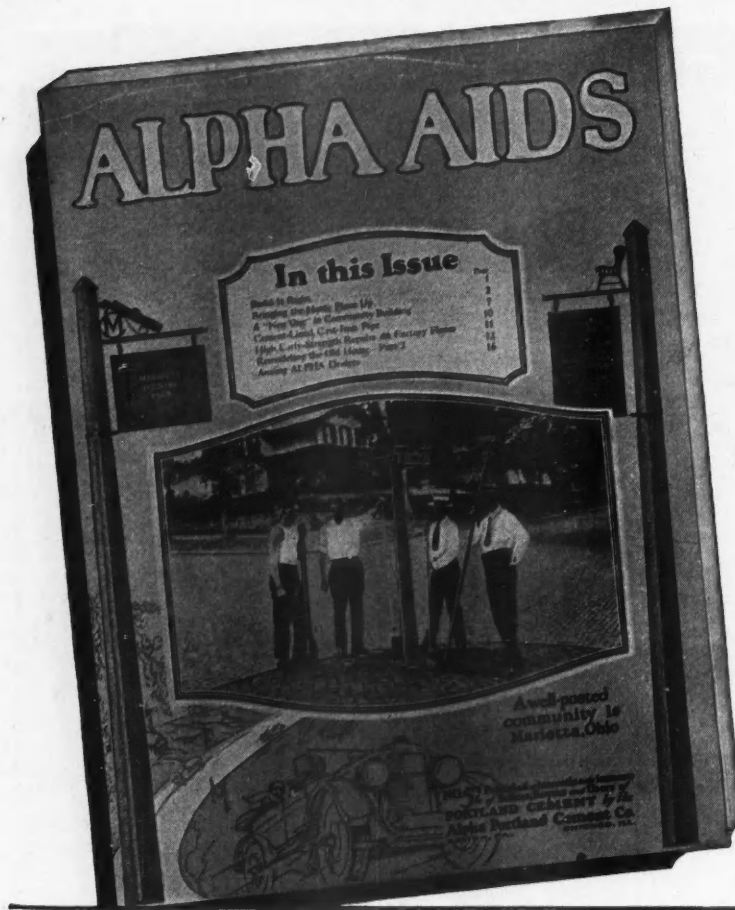
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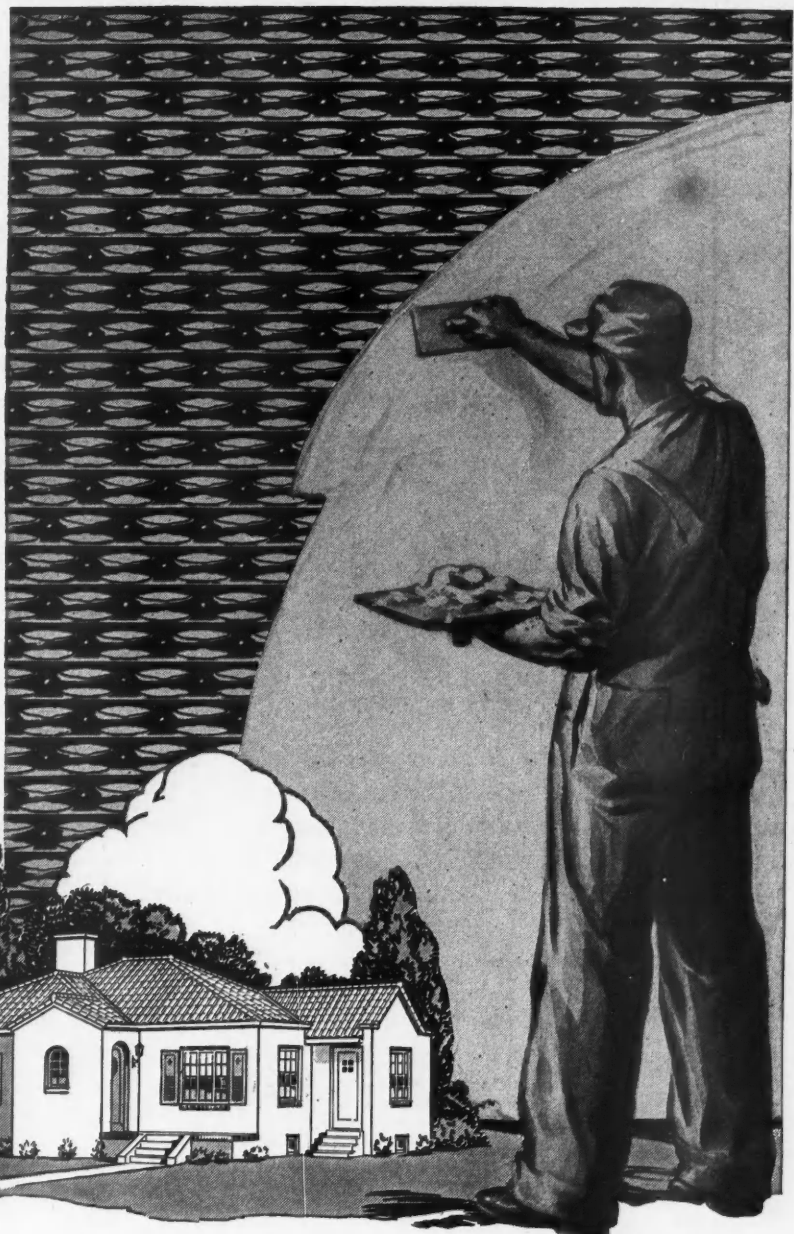
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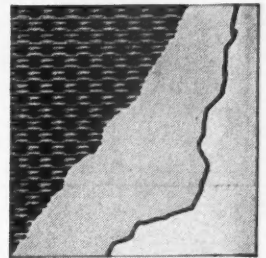
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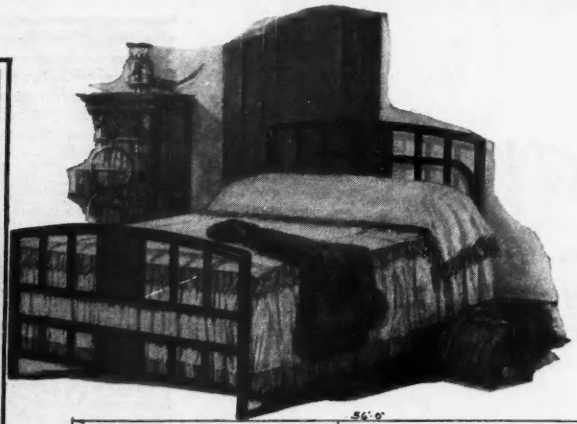
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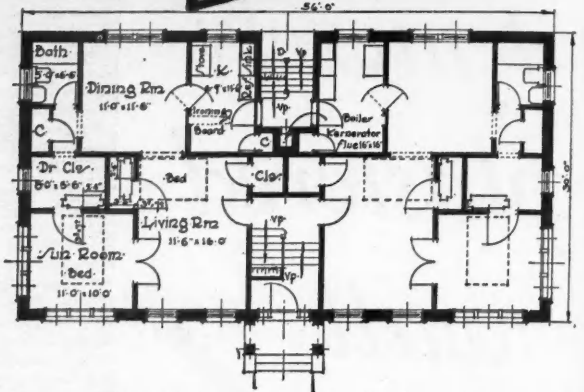
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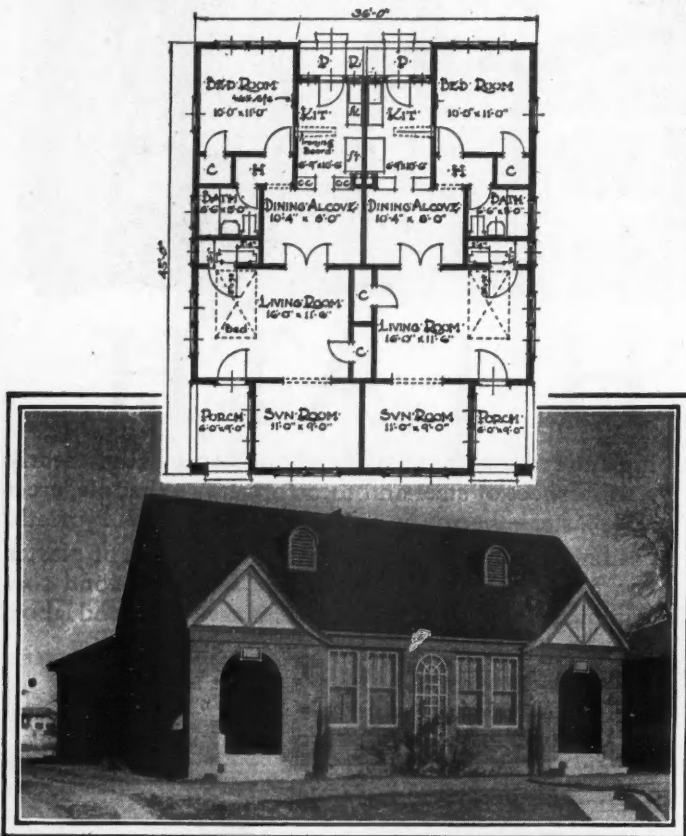
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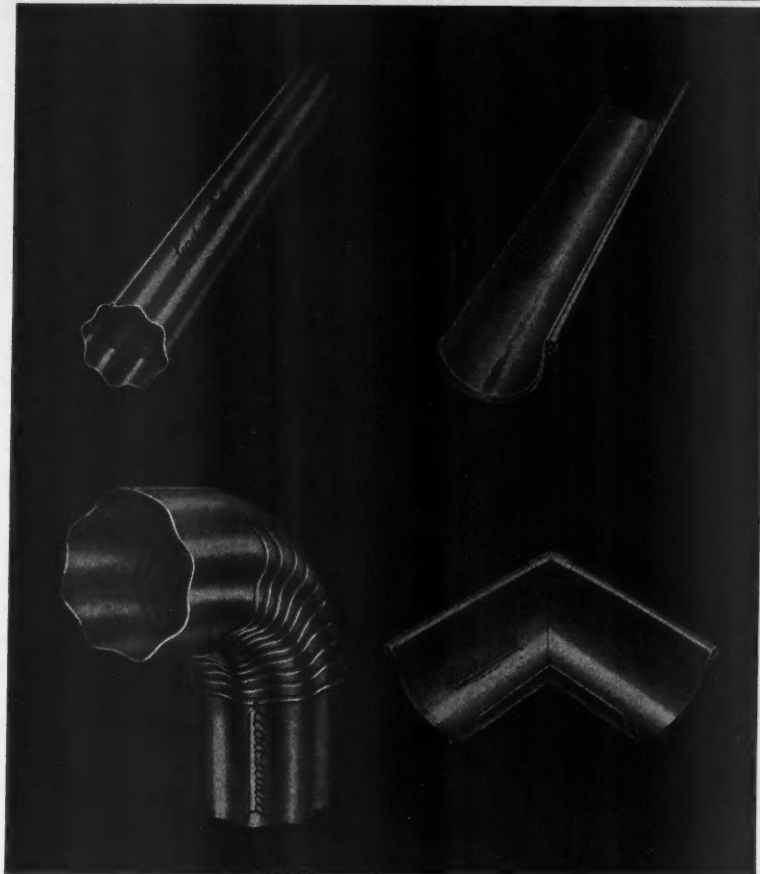
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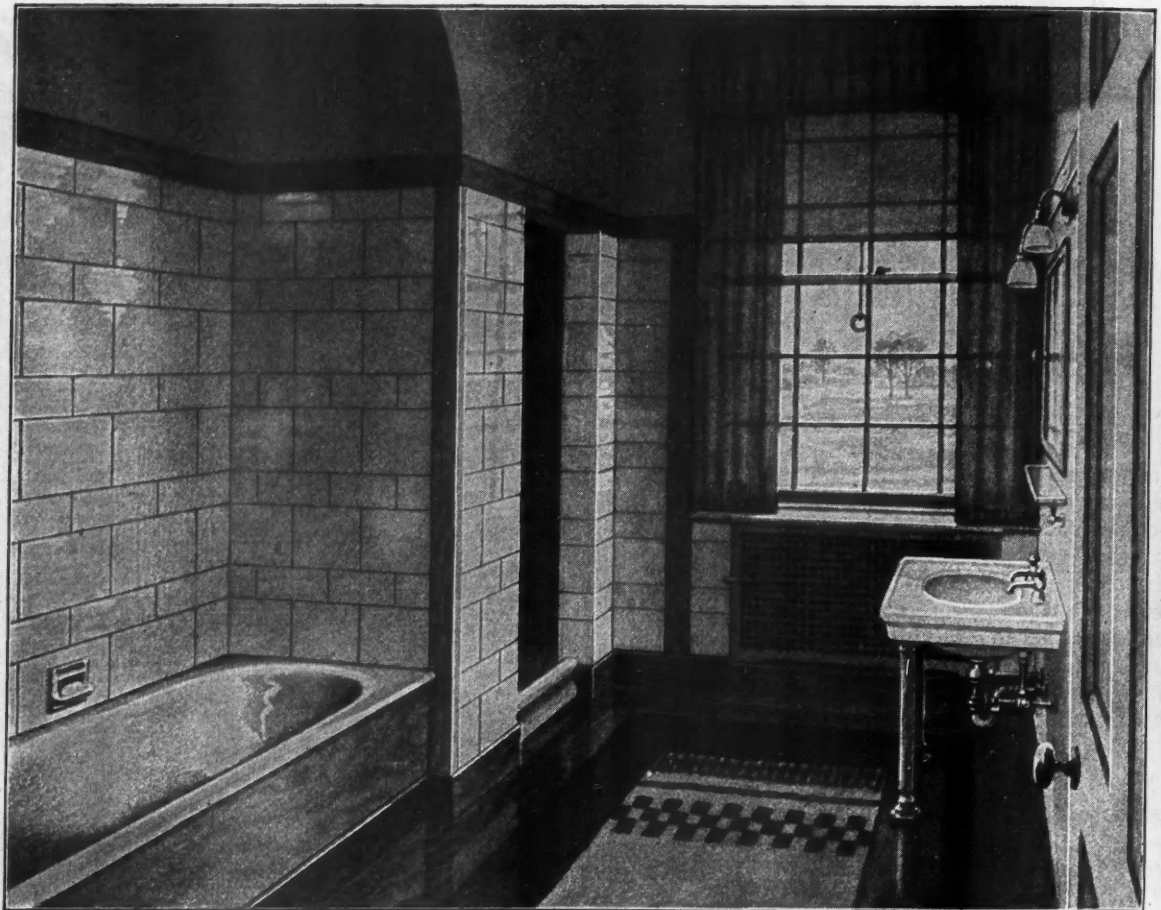
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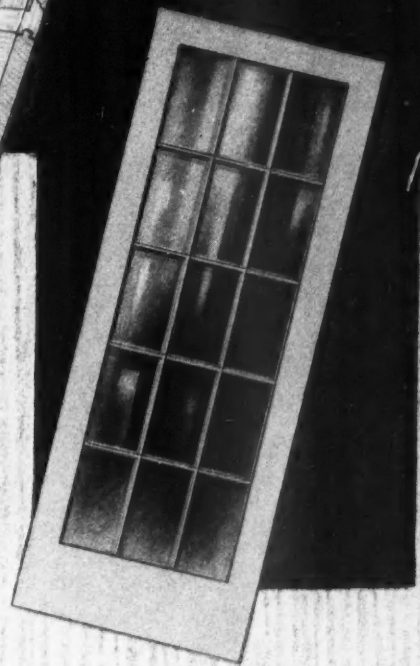
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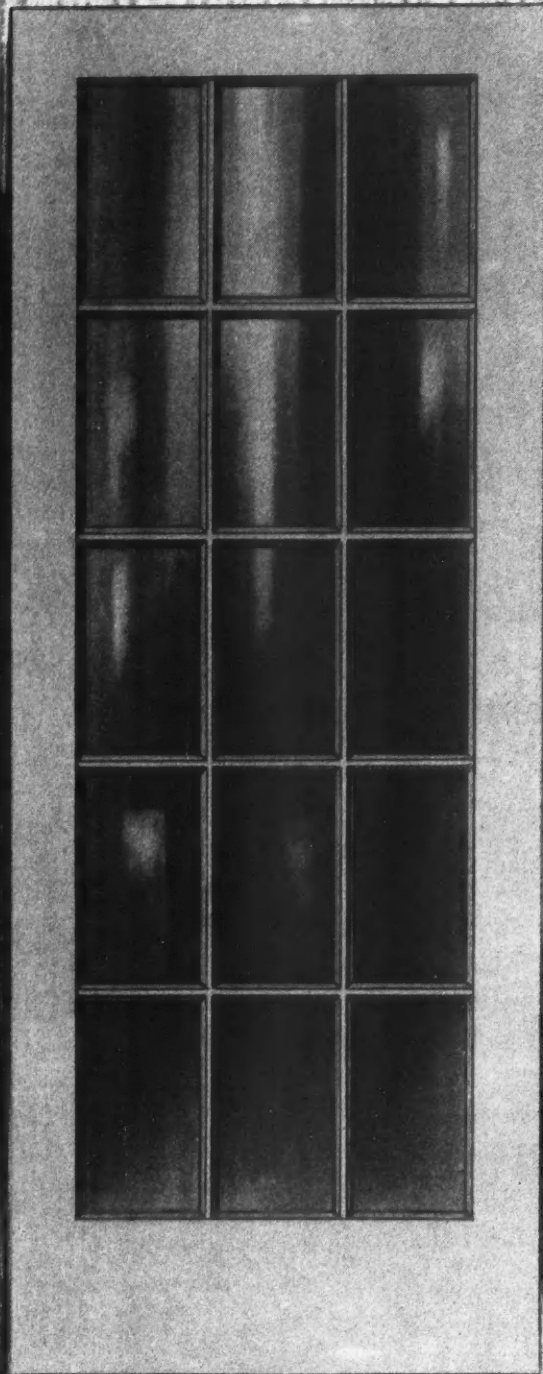
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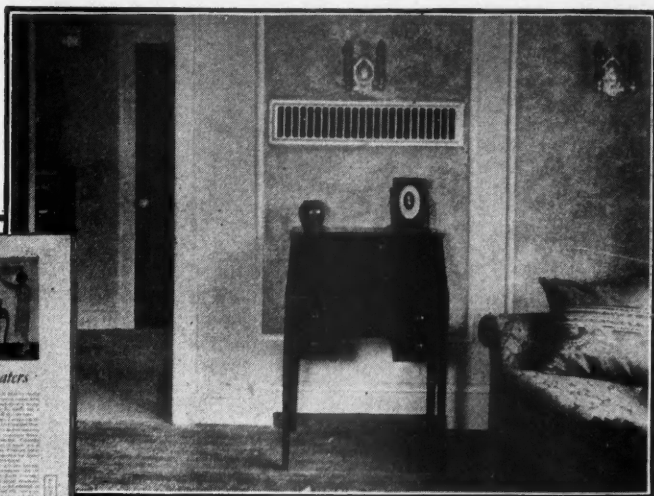


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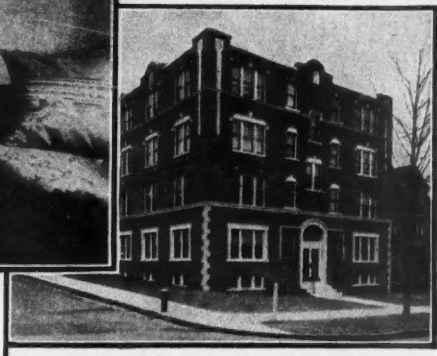
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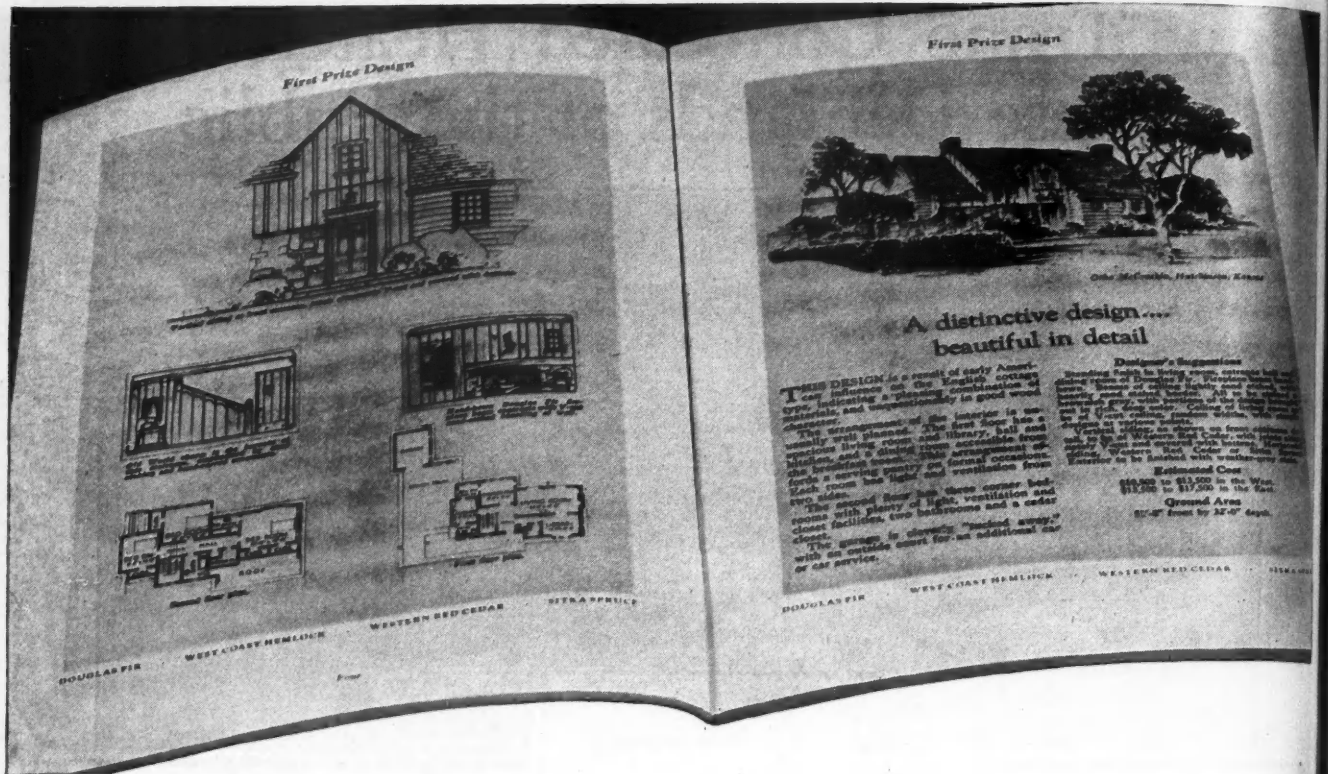
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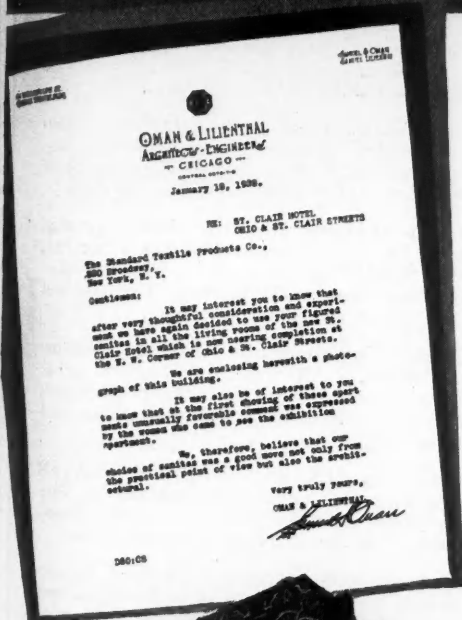
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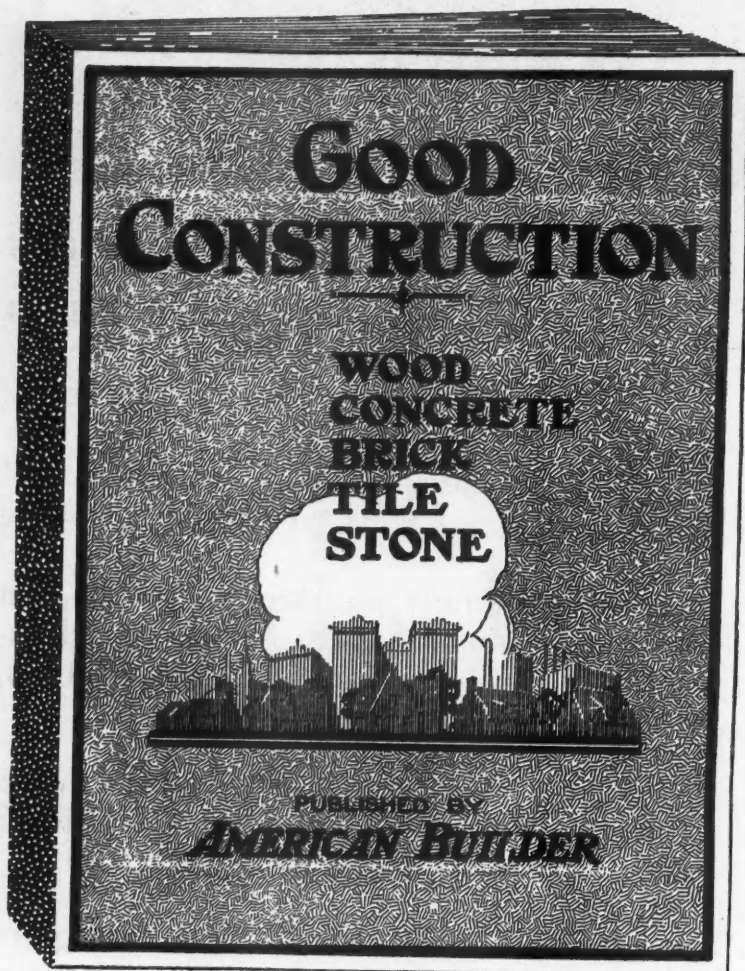


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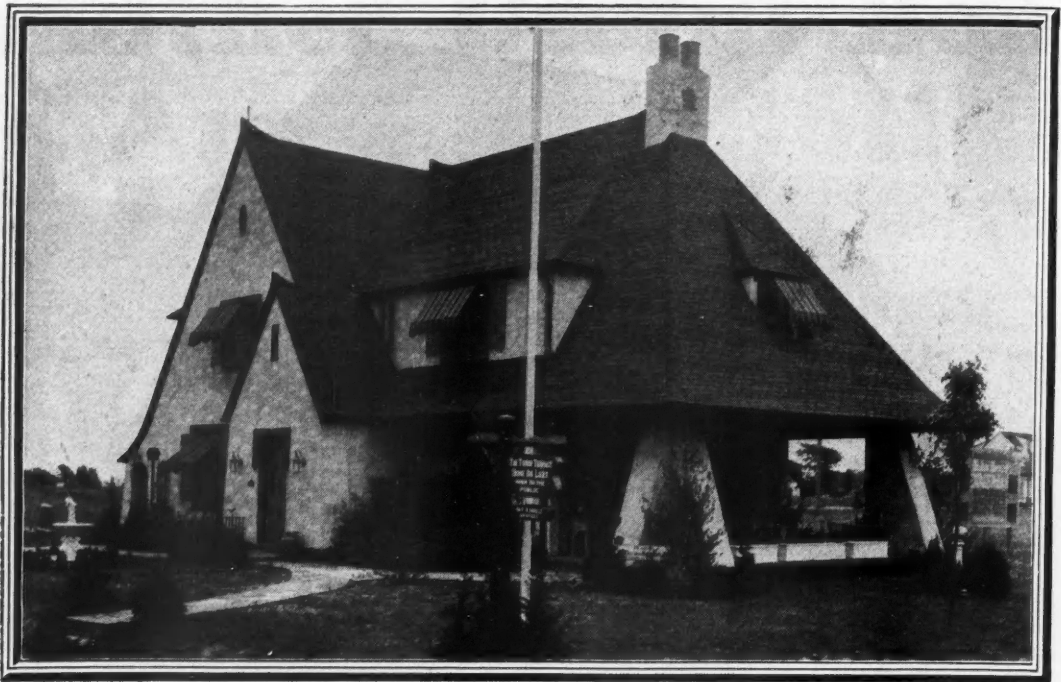
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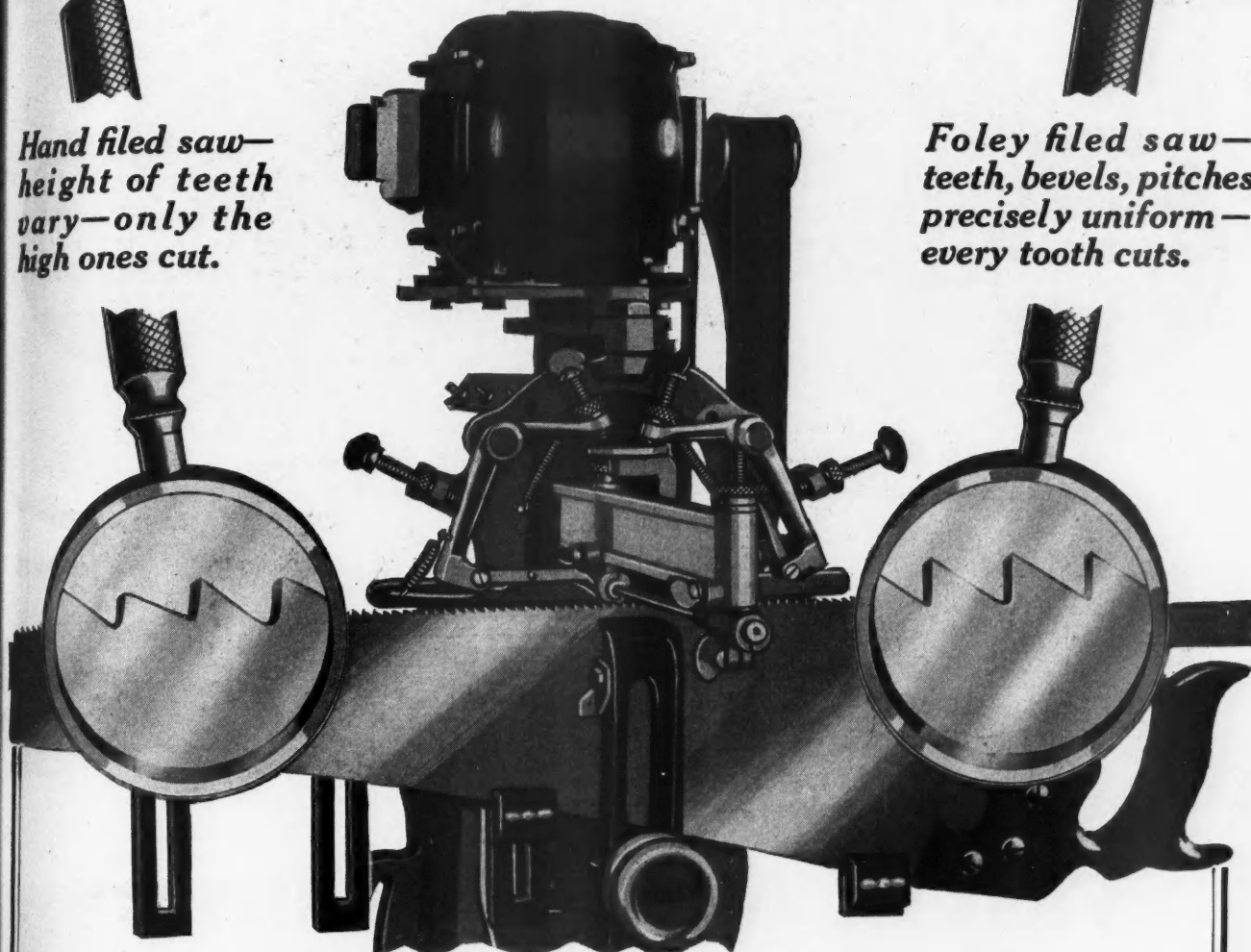
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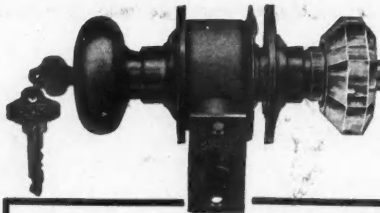
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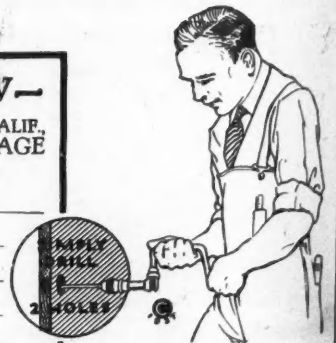
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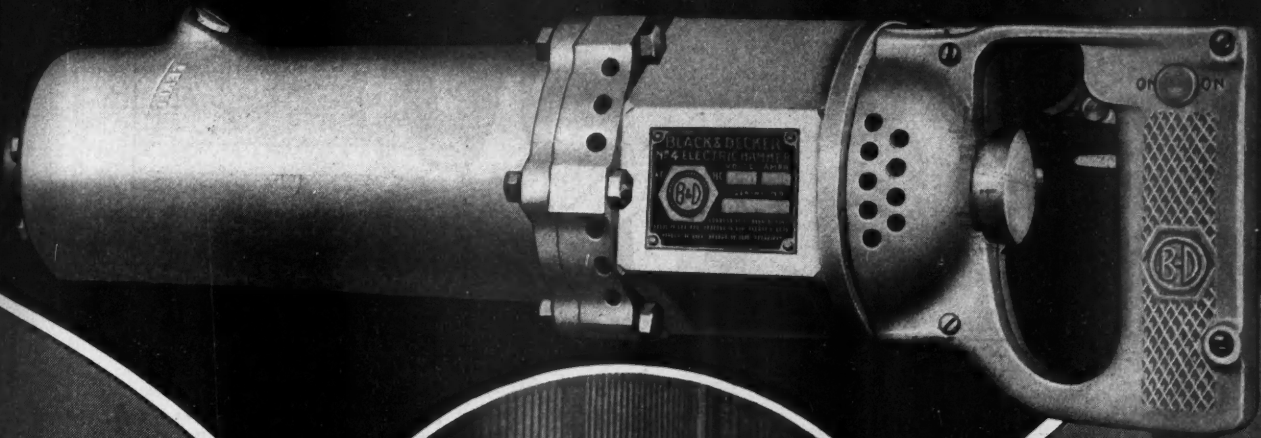
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THE SATURDAY EVENING POST

THE WALLOPS

[No. 15 of a series. No. 16 will appear April 21]



All the women in Flickerwood—but one!

AFTER a tremendous Sunday dinner of roast beef, ice cream and chocolate sauce, George and Clara Wallop took Cousin Malcolm and Cousin Nettie for a little air.

"Now there's a handsome house," George pointed. "Mrs. Willis lives there, nice woman and well built—the house, that is. I tell you, Malcolm, these houses are as fine as money can buy; copper gutters, tiled bathrooms, brass pipe—"

"Brass pipe, eh?" said Cousin Malcolm. "Think you need it round here?"

"You bet we do. Water's good and all that but it rusts the dickens out of cheap pipes. Fills 'em up with rust, so if the cook runs the hot water you can't get a drop upstairs. I know."

"Well," observed Cousin Malcolm. "We use brass in my town—use that Alpha Brass Pipe. Ever hear of it?"

"Yes, the people next door to us had it put in. Pretty good pipe?"

"Yes," said Cousin Malcolm, "you know it's got more copper in it than other pipes and my plumber told me he liked to use it because it was easier to thread and it was guaranteed by the manufacturers."

"Guaranteed? That so? Well, that sorta makes you feel safe, doesn't it? Don't have any trouble getting it out West where you live, do you?"

"Oh no, not a bit. I said to my plumber, 'Now Fred,' I said, 'don't get that Alpha Brass Pipe if it's some special thing that takes months to get.' And he said, 'don't you worry about that, Mr. Donaldson, I can get Alpha Brass Pipe easy. Most jobbers keep it in stock'."

"Alpha. I'll have to remember that name," said George Wallop. "We'll have to replace our rusty pipe sometime and this Alpha thing sounds pretty good. You know most everybody here in Flickerwood has brass pipe. The women all say that rusty water ruins their washing, and they make their husbands put in brass."

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All but one. If you look carefully at the picture above you will see that Lily has stopped for a moment to hear some bad news from Mrs. Bronson.

"Straight down through my living room ceiling," wailed Mrs. Bronson. "It's just pouring down, and flooding everything. We've telephoned the plumber, but everything is ruined. Oh, why did we put in cheap pipe—why didn't we use brass pipe? It only would have cost us about \$100 more than the cheapest iron or steel pipe."

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How about yourself? How's the water pressure in your house? How about red water flaked with rust? Why not ask your plumber to give you an estimate on replacing your worn-out water pipes. Or, replace little by little, the worst one first... And remember Alpha Brass Pipe, it really is different!



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This advertisement is the fifteenth of a series appearing in that publication. It will also appear in *Time*. Another series, which includes full color pages, is running in *House & Garden* and *House Beautiful*. Now, we are adding *Good Housekeeping* with a circulation of approximately one and a half million, to our list of general magazines. The first *Good Housekeeping* advertise-

ment, a full page in color, will appear in the May issue. Since we began to advertise Alpha Brass Pipe three years ago, the sales have tripled, and since we started national advertising the sales have gone up even faster than we expected. These campaigns are producing results.

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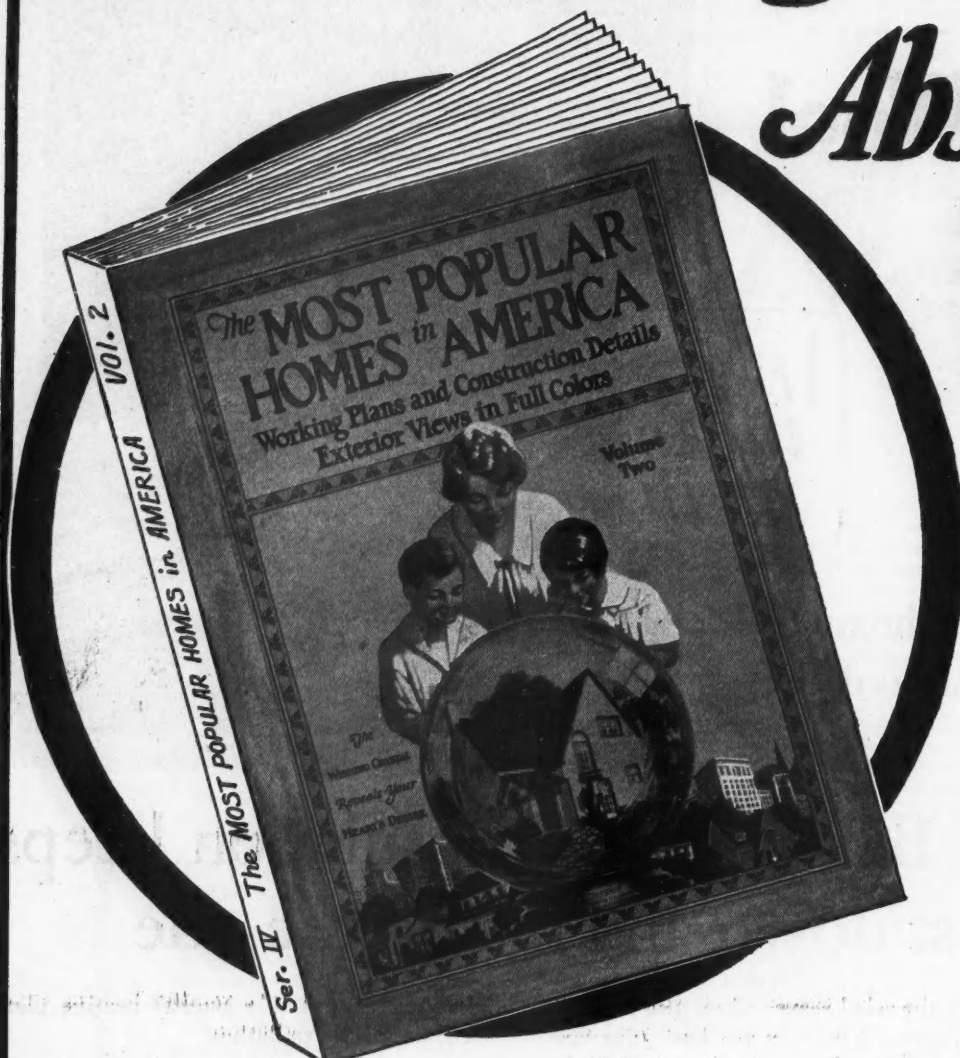
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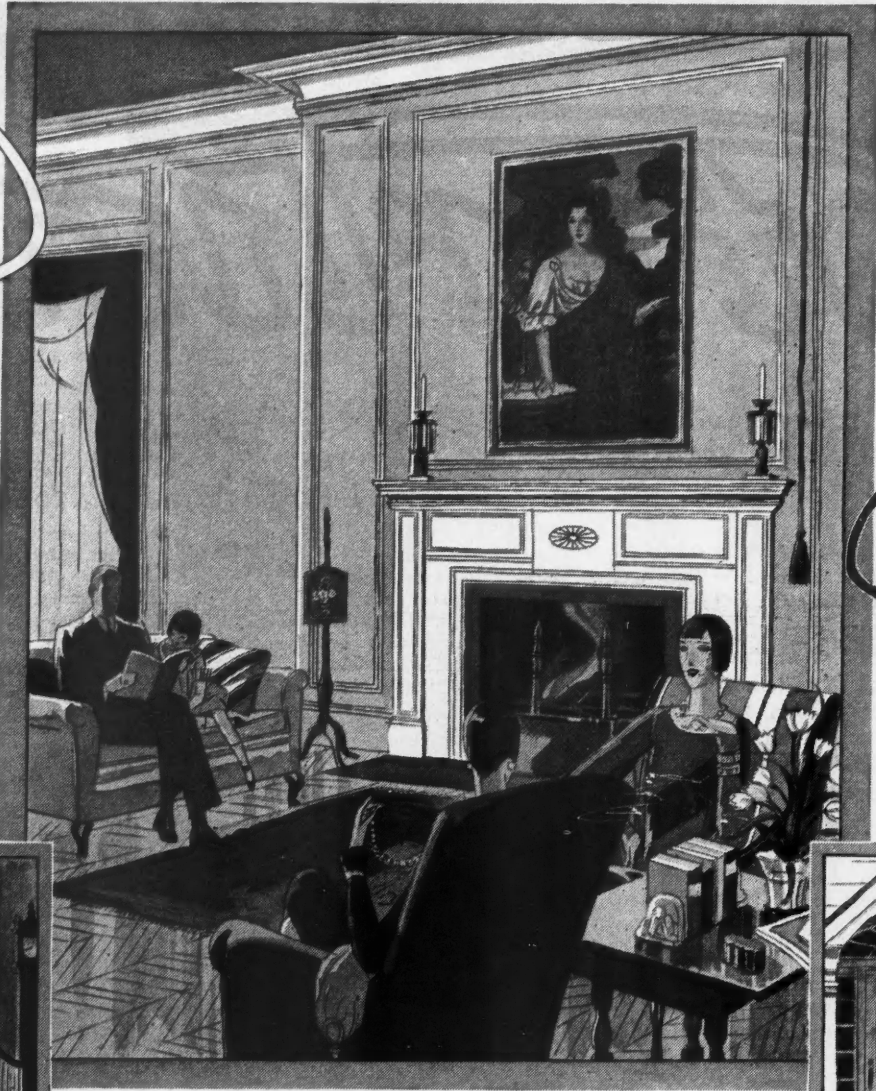
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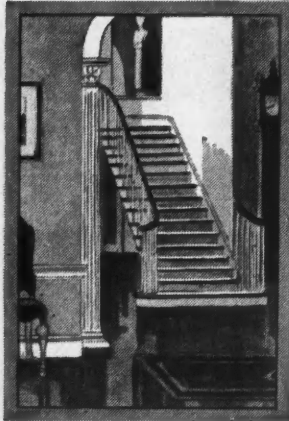
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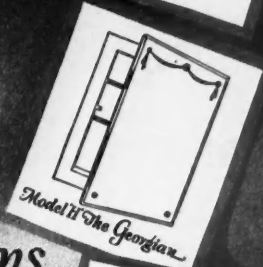
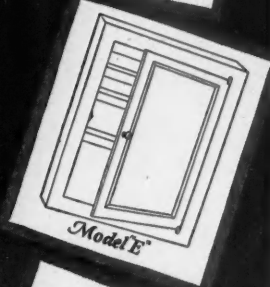
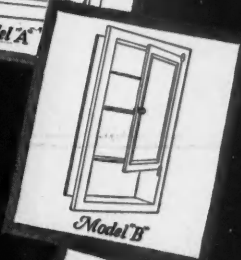
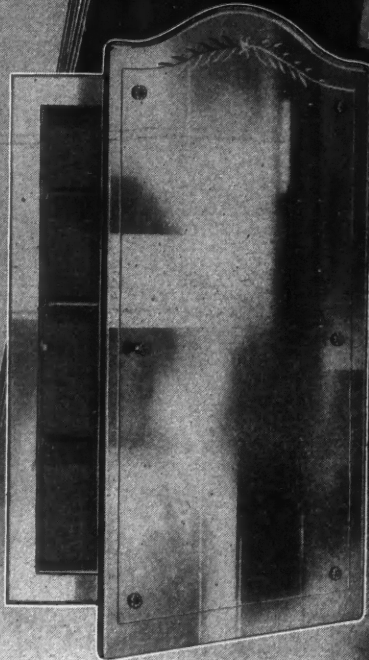
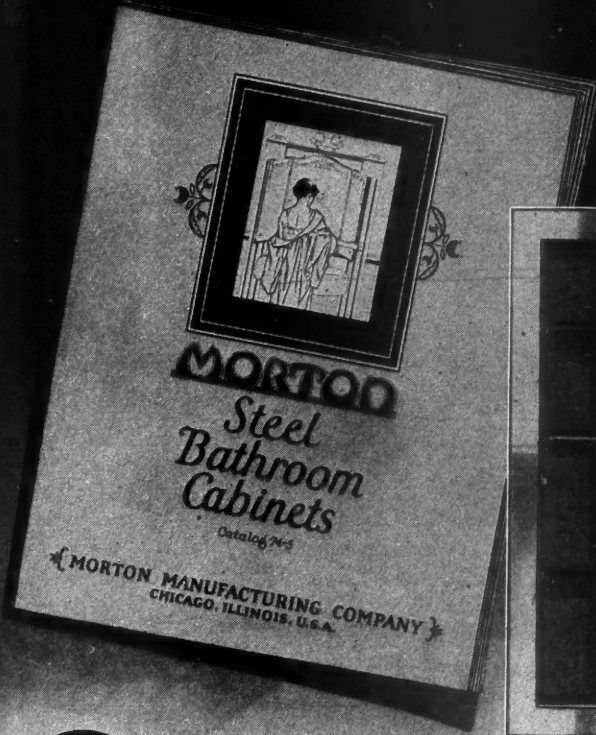
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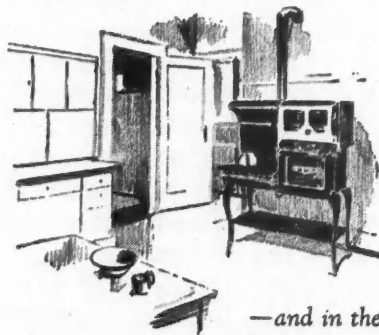


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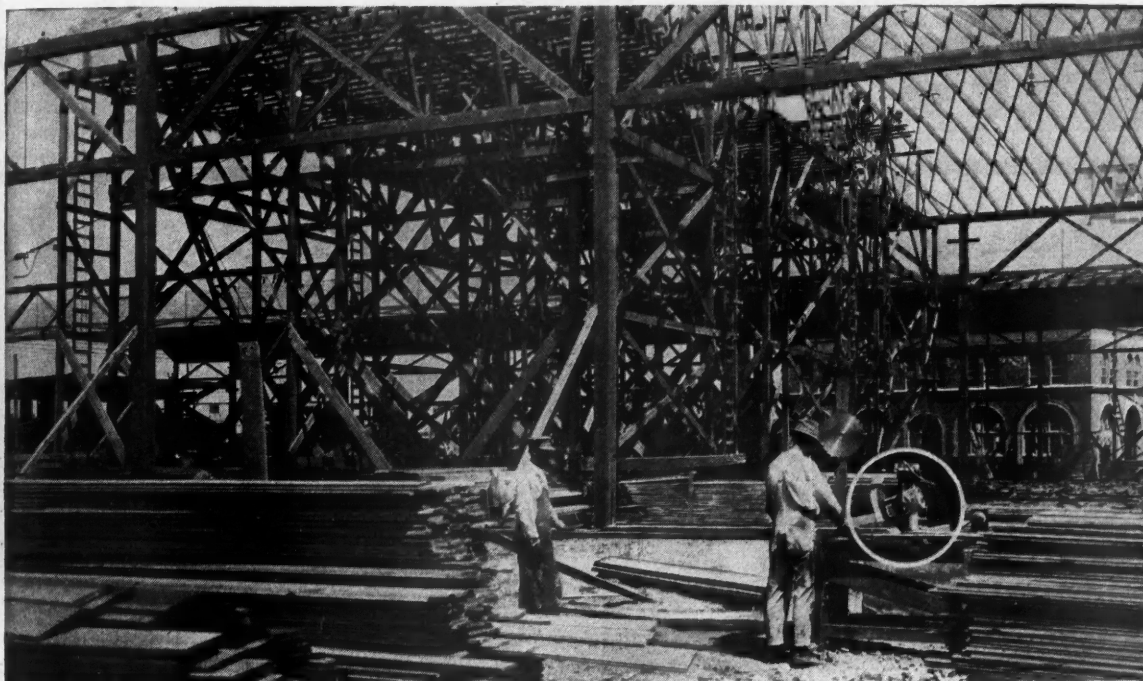
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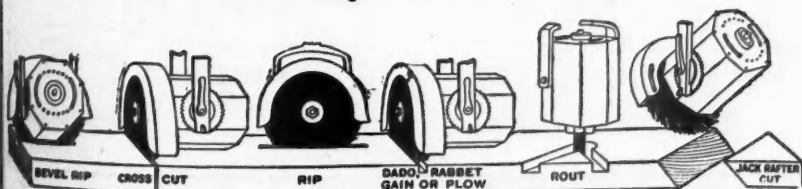
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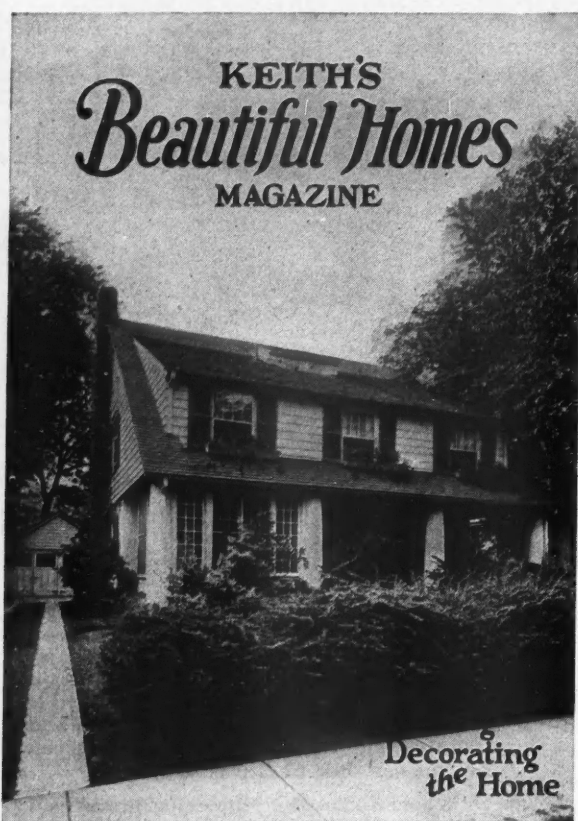


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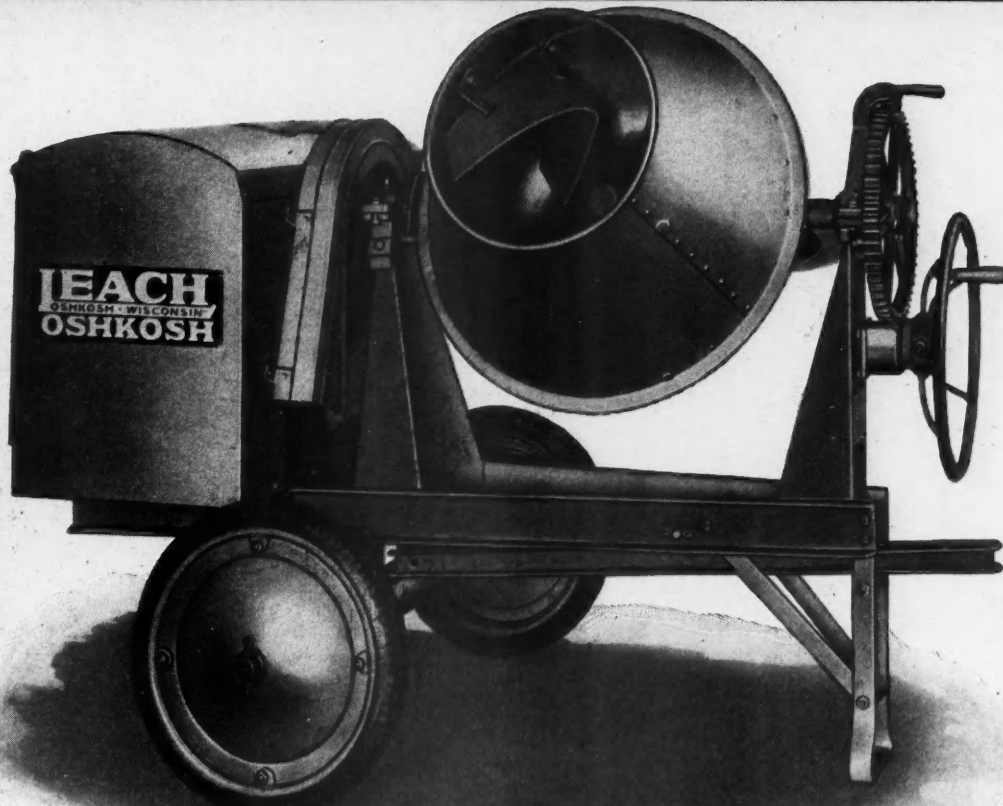
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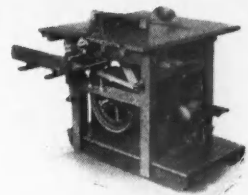
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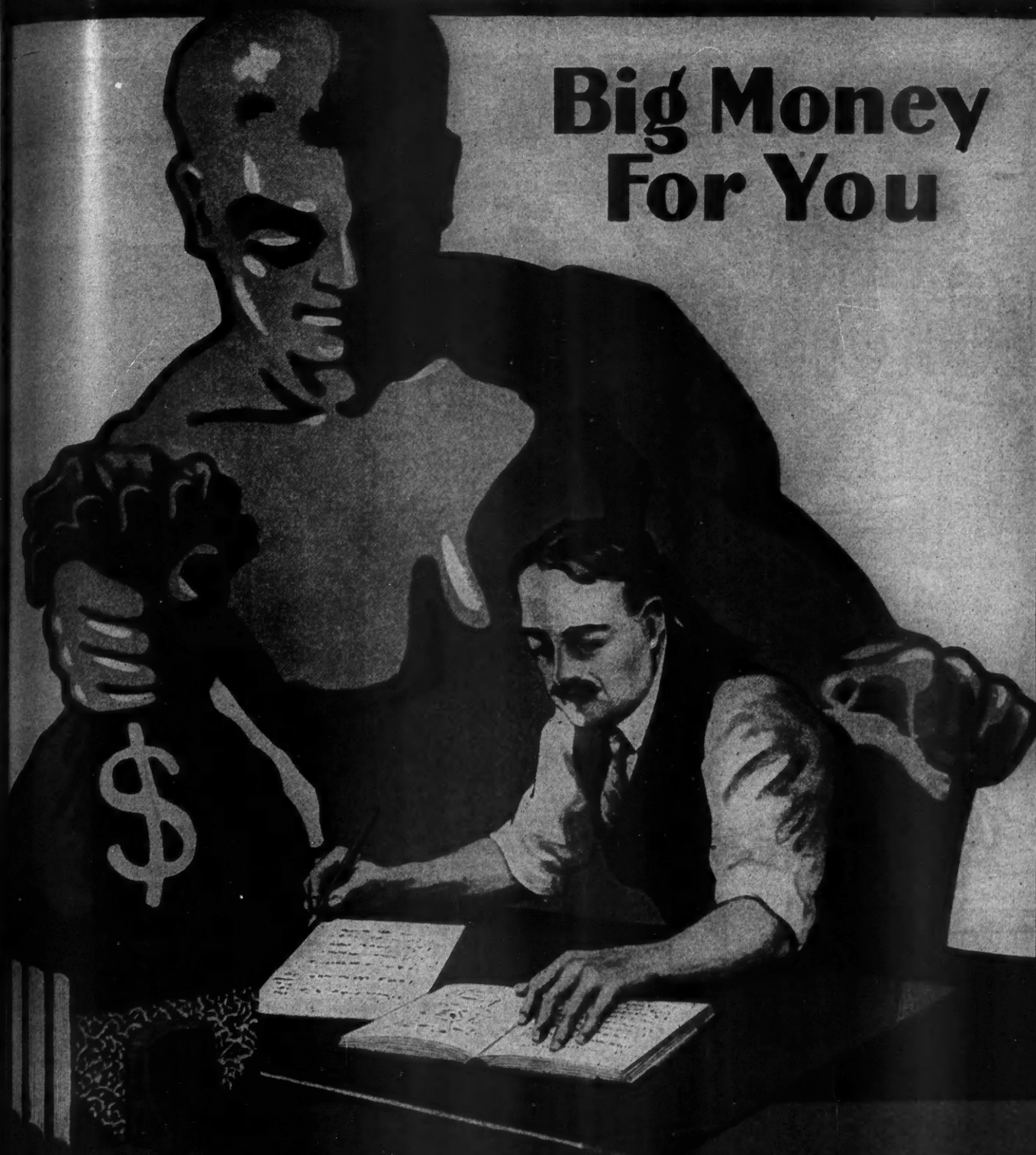
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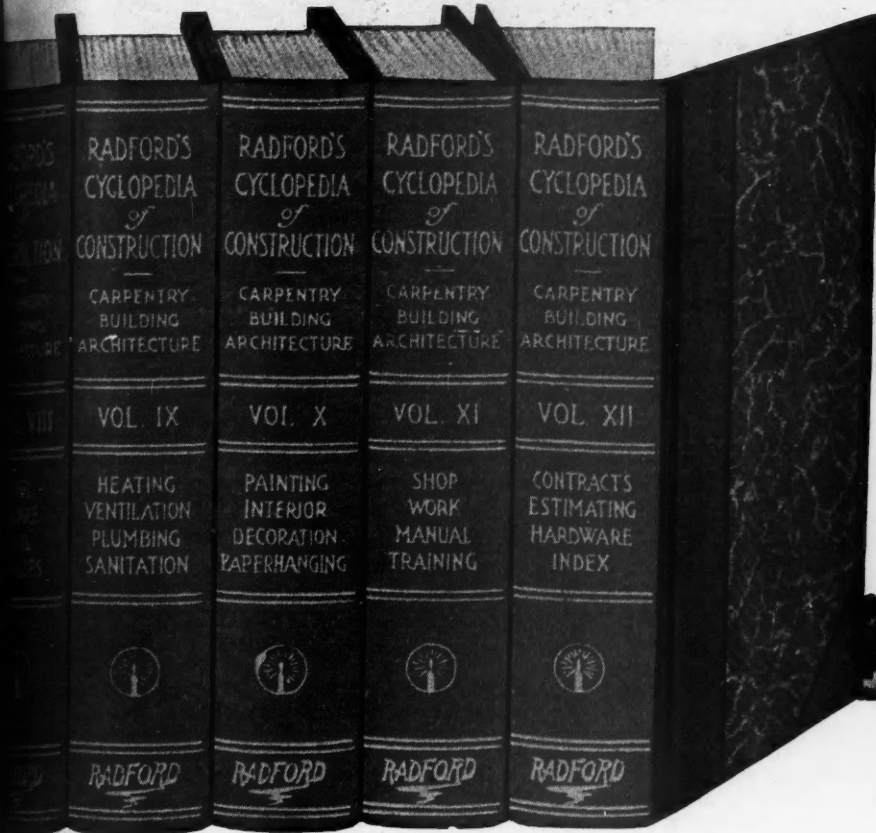
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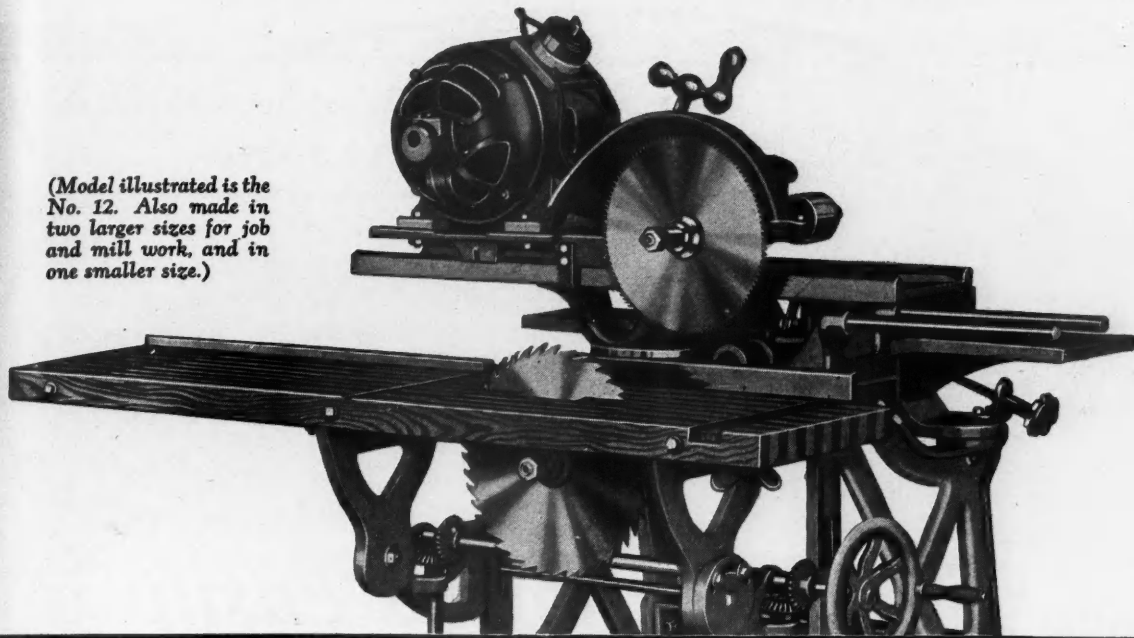
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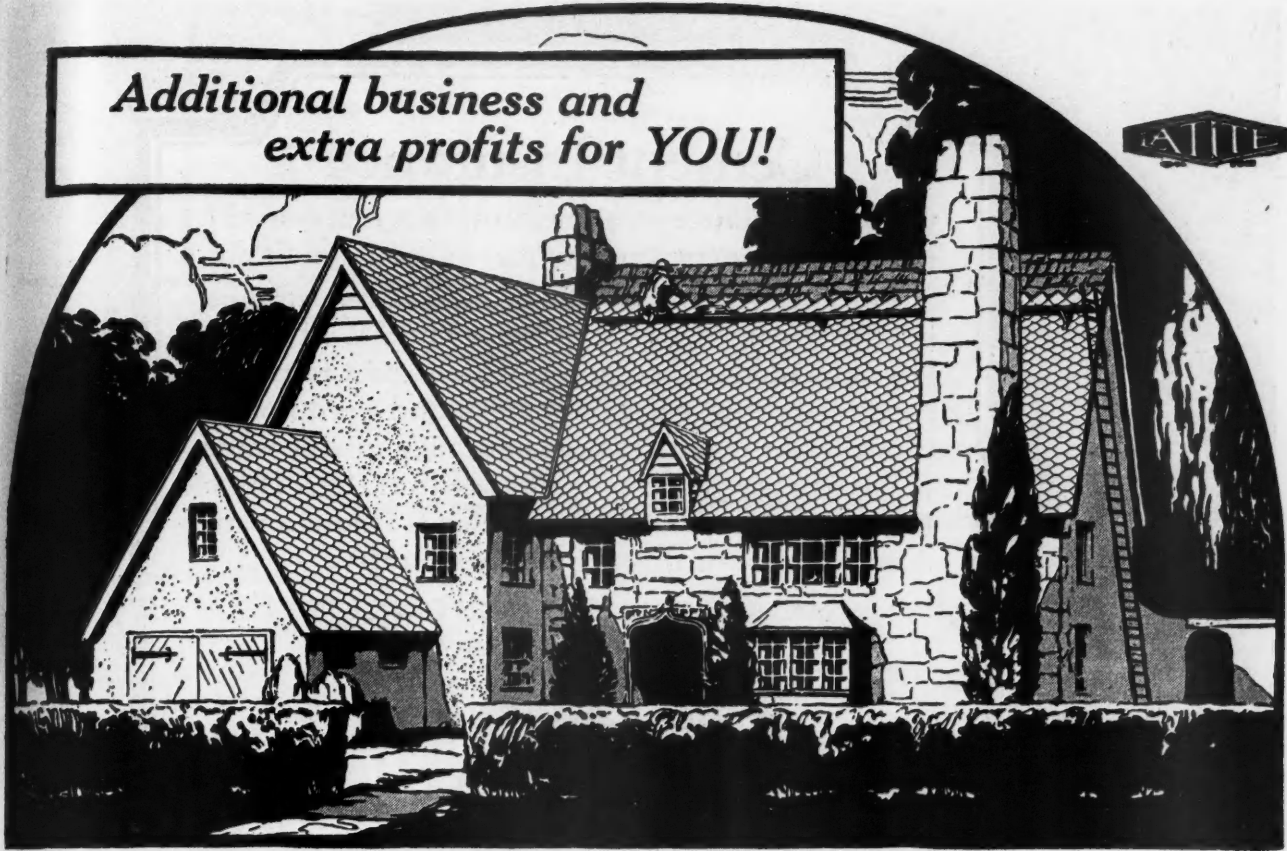
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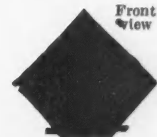
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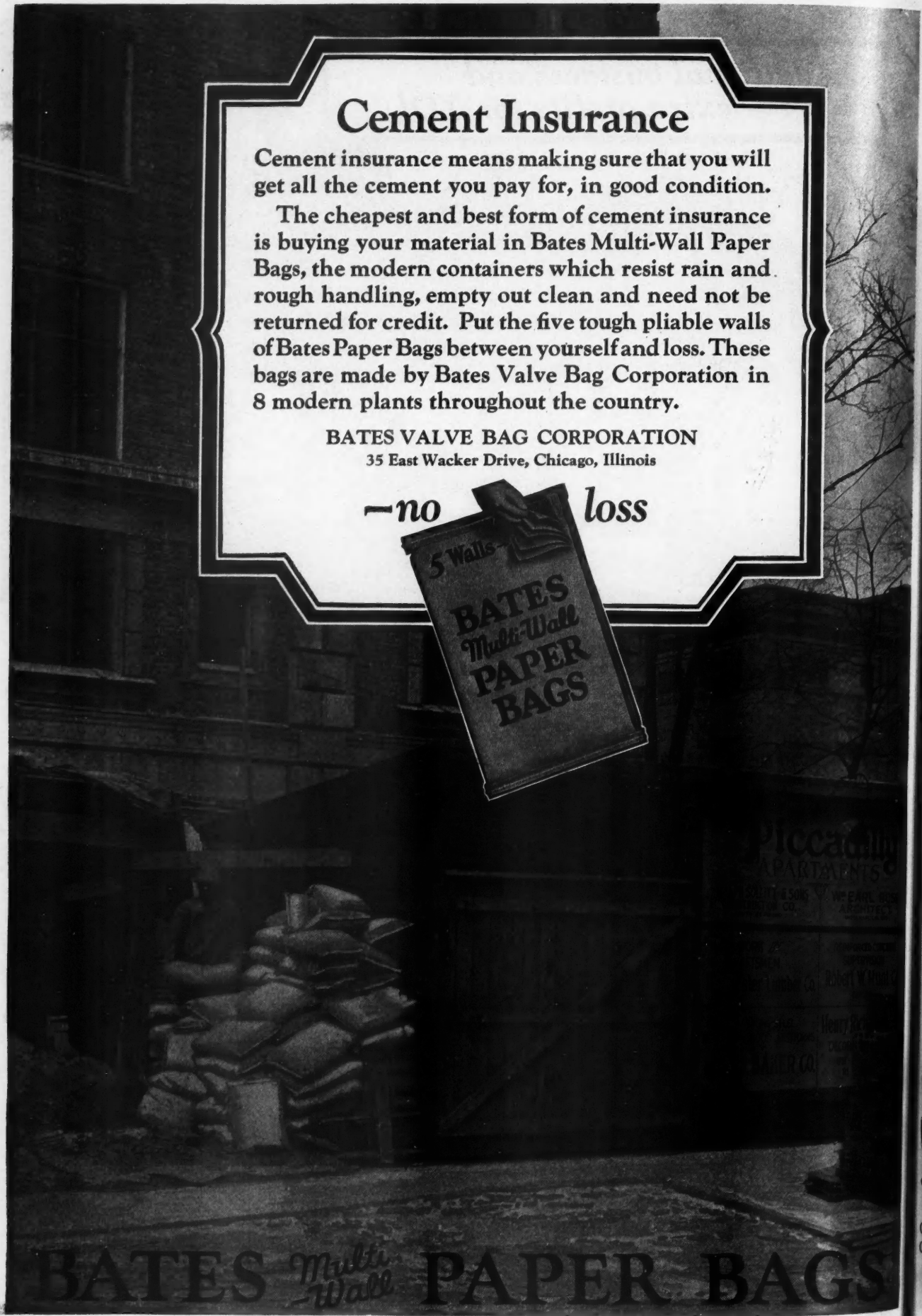
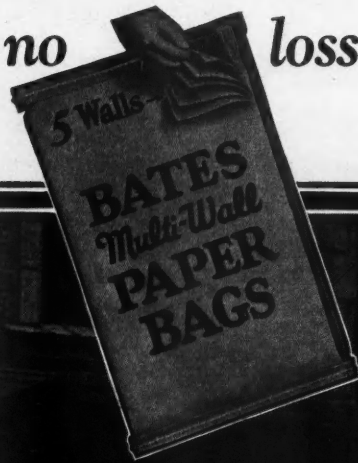
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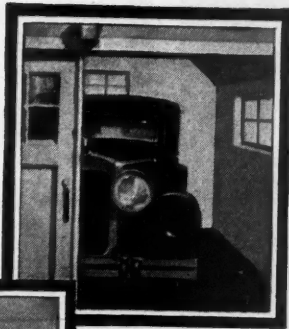
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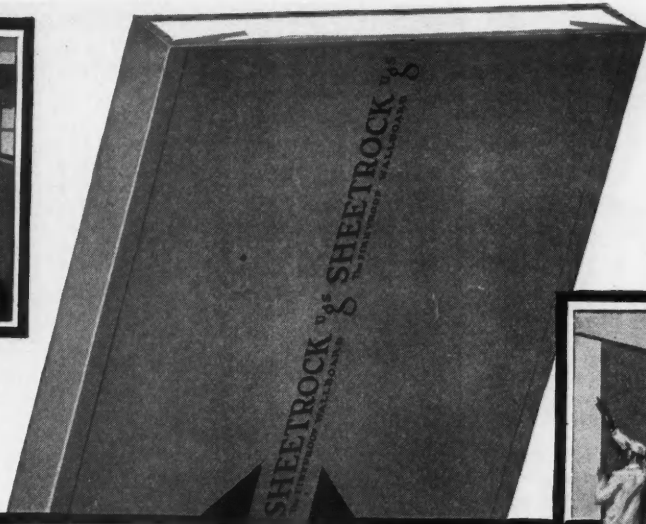
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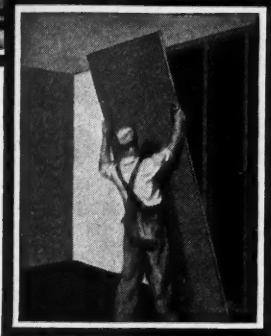
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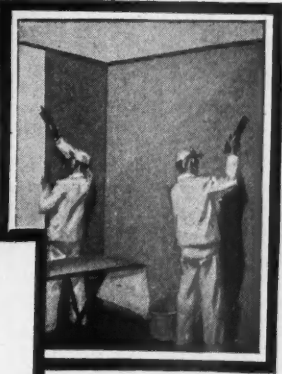
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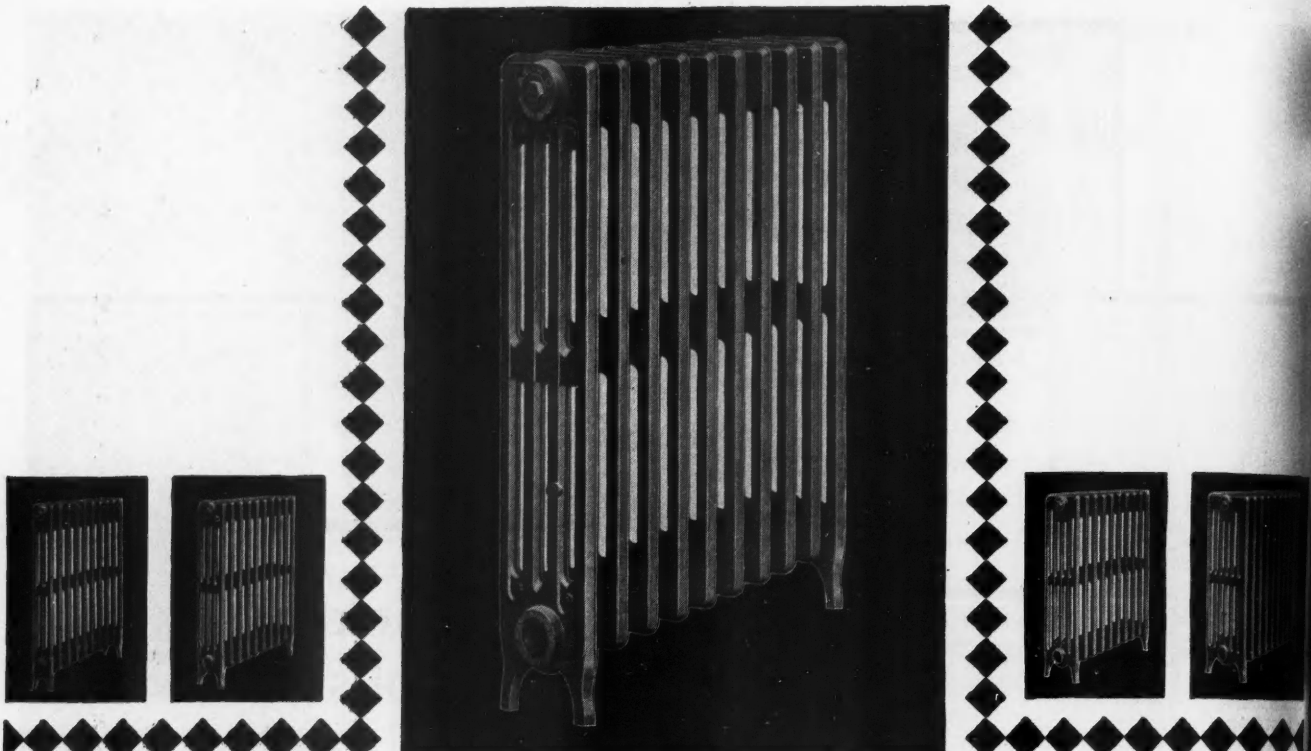
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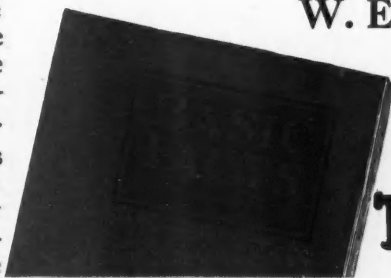
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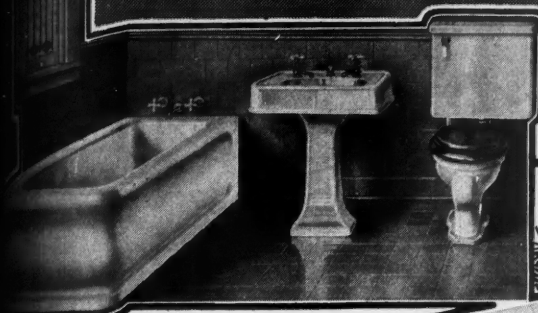
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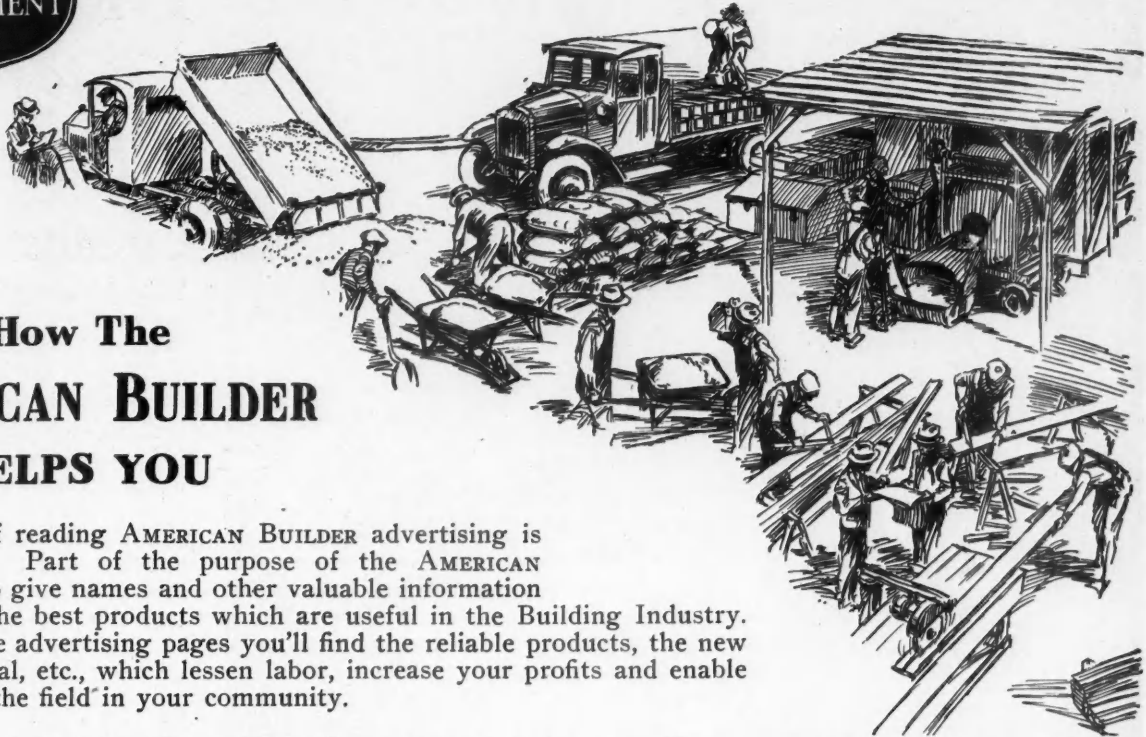
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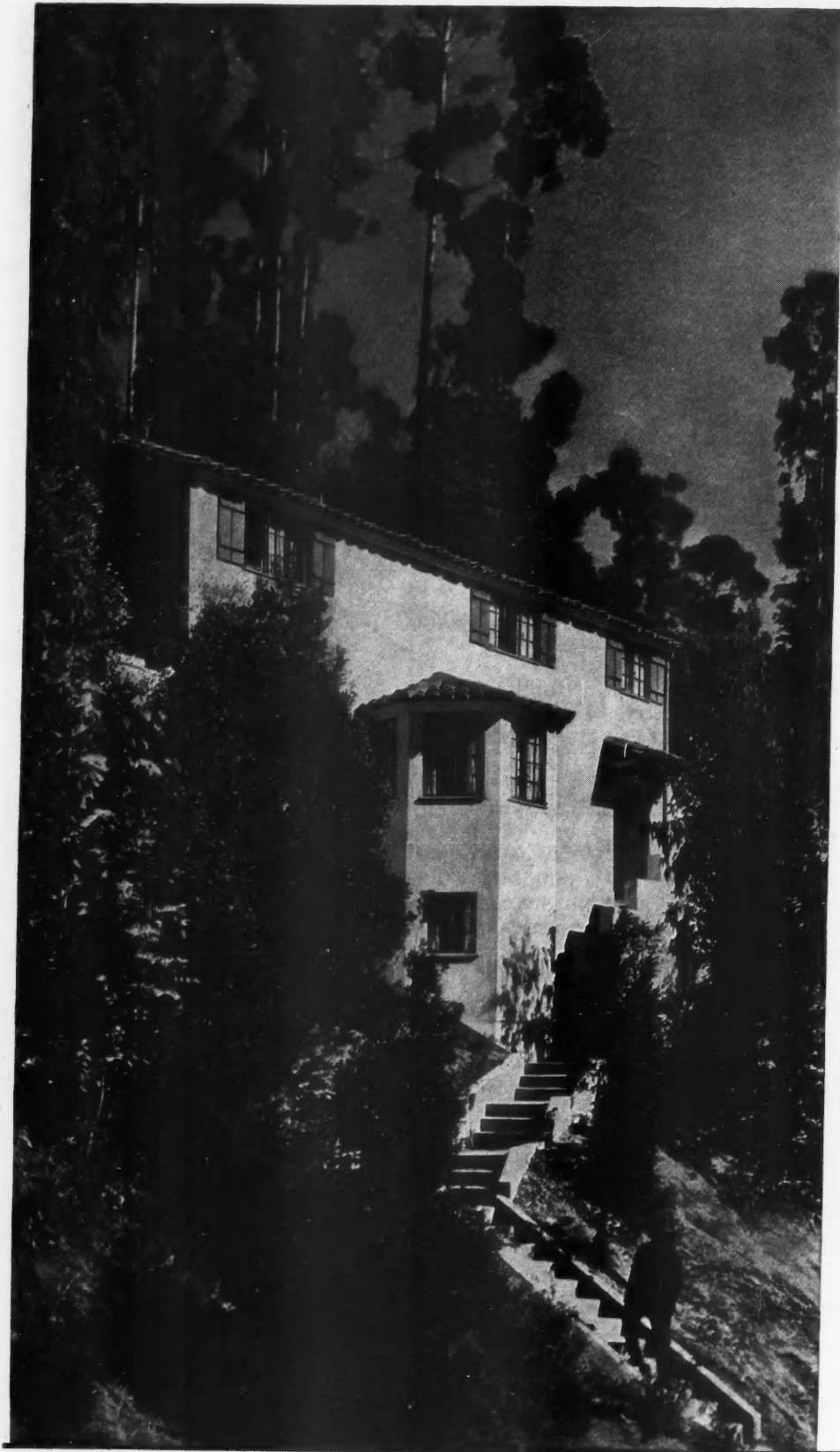
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Naturally, therefore, the lumber industry is keenly interested in American Forest Week and its well planned effort to make the people of the country "forest conscious," realizing the economic necessity for forest perpetuation, and supporting all measures to facilitate the industrial growing of timber.

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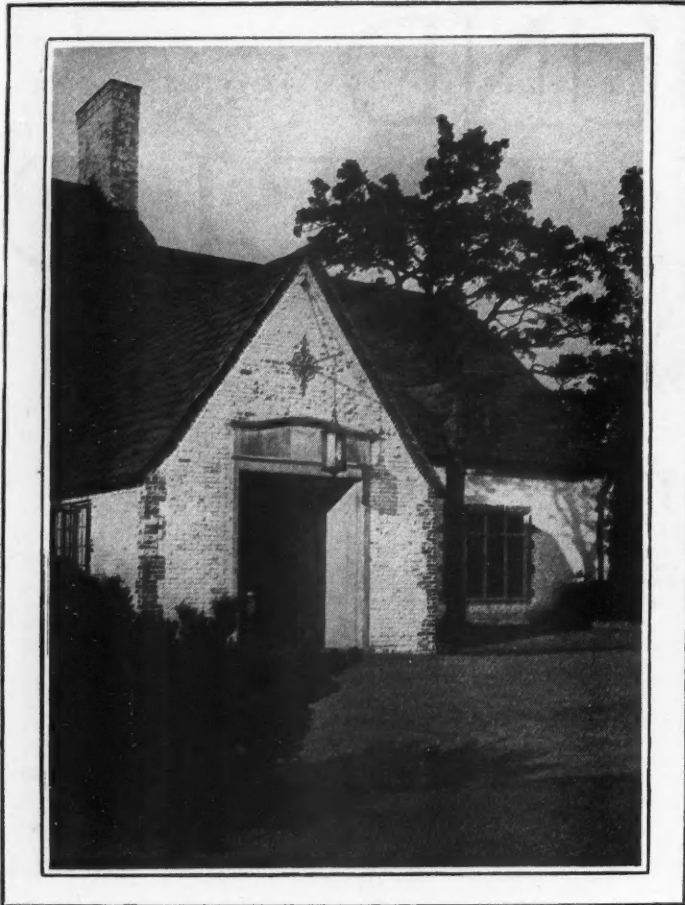
enough at our present rate of consumption to supply our needs for perhaps two generations longer. But the lumber industry is looking beyond that period, to the time when it must depend for its raw material entirely upon man-grown forests. Already a number of its leaders have started on the task of growing new crops of timber on their cut-over lands. Their experimental laboratory comprises over 12,000,000 acres of forest land, where they are trying out all conceivable ways of making more and better trees grow faster.

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Private enterprise of this sort, to be successful, must have the sympathetic support of the public, not only morally, but also in the concrete form of adequate fire and police protection, and of equitable taxation. American Forest Week in arousing public opinion to the hearty support of remedial legislation along these lines, will accomplish much in ensuring the success of industrial forestry.

There are those who believe that the way to save our forests is to stop using them. They would have us give up almost entirely the use of lumber in home building and do a hundred and one other things less efficiently and more uncomfortably than we do them now with wood. Yet, if we cease to use wood it will cease to be valuable, the forests which produce it will become worthless and it will no longer pay to take care of them.

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Last month's record brought the total amount of new construction started since the first of this year in these states up to \$1,485,067,000, being an increase of 6 per cent over the amount started in the first quarter of last year. In addition to being ahead of last year's first quarter record, it was the highest first quarter ever recorded for these 37 states.

Analysis of the March contract total showed the following important classes of work: \$275,191,600, or 46 per cent of all construction, for residential buildings; \$110,338,200, or 19 per cent, for public works and utilities; \$73,075,300, or 12 per cent, for commercial buildings; and \$33,881,000, or 6 per cent for educational projects.



Building Codes Need Revision

ANTIQUATED building codes are making construction costs in many large cities unnecessarily high, Arthur R. Lord, president of Lord & Holinger, civil and architectural engineers, declared before a meeting of the Western Society of Engineers at Chicago. Lower rents, reduction in merchandise prices, and safer, more attractive buildings will result when municipal building codes are revised to recognize modern advances in construction science, he said.

Mr. Lord is a member of the new Chicago Code Committee, which is making a revision of the Chicago building code. Similar committees in New York and Philadelphia are working on the same code material and there is a prospect that uniform municipal building regulations may be adopted by all large cities. Many large cities are laboring under the same difficulties as Chicago because their building codes have not been revised for years and consequently prevent architects, engineers and contractors from taking advantage of recent developments and improvements in construction technique, Mr. Lord told the meeting of engineers.

"Chicago building ordinances were slightly revised in 1917, yet since that time many advances have been made in engineering which make construction both cheaper and stronger," Mr. Lord asserted. "But on these advances, our present code and similar ordinances in other cities, are silent. If they were incorporated into and recognized by the codes, building costs could be cut, rents could be lowered, and the general public would benefit by lower prices because merchants' overhead would be reduced.

"For example, the present Chicago code specifies six sacks of cement to a yard of concrete in order to secure

a strength of 2,000 pounds. Yet our experience with Wacker Drive showed that with exactly the same materials we can get 3,500 pounds or an increase of 75 per cent in strength without any additional cost."

Mr. Lord's paper describing the Wacker Drive project, for which he was consulting engineer on design and construction, won for him the Wason medal, awarded by the American Concrete Institute.

Explaining this increased strength of concrete, Mr. Lord said: "We do this by what is called the water-cement ratio which merely means keeping the ratio between the water and cement constant. This discovery, which is not recognized by many city building codes, gives us at the same cost almost twice the strength we need for the work indicated in ordinances. Where this greater strength is not required, by increasing the amount of sand and stone in our concrete mixture, we can obtain the 2,000-pound strength at much lower cost. This is a development and advance in building science which was unknown to us ten years ago when the present ordinance in Chicago was adopted. Bringing our building laws up to date will mean lower building costs and better construction.

"What is true of concrete is true of other materials," Mr. Lord continued. "Take an inch-square bar of steel a yard long which weighs ten pounds. We formerly let it bear an 18,000-pound load. Our tests and experience show that in reality the steel has been loafing on the job, for it can easily bear a 20,000-pound load, or an increase of almost 12 per cent. With this more accurate knowledge, greater loads could be applied to both steel and concrete, provided the building ordinances permitted it. This would permit smaller columns and contribute to the architectural beauty and attractiveness of modern buildings."

Building code revision now being considered by the Chicago, New York and Philadelphia committees would recognize all tested discoveries and advancement made in building knowledge and would provide greater uniformity in the various cities. It is believed that adoption of the new code in the three cities will lead to its adoption in most of the large cities of the country.



Why Mail Is Lost

THE moving season is again with us. More than 600,000 changes of address were filed with the Chicago Post Office during the past year, according to Postmaster Arthur C. Lueder, but there were many thousands who moved and did not notify the post office, with the result that many pieces of first-class mail and parcel post remained undelivered and great quantities of circular matter and newspapers were returned or destroyed.

If you move, notify the post office, giving the old and new addresses. Blanks for this purpose may be obtained from the carrier, or an ordinary post card may be used.

Subscribers to this magazine should immediately notify the publisher of a change of address, so that you may continue to receive your magazine without interruption.

A Simple Test to Determine When to Use High-Early-Strength Universal Concrete

Does the owner want early use of the improvement?

Is extra-strong concrete desired?

Would early stripping and more frequent re-use of forms effect a substantial saving?

If so, use *High-Early-Strength Universal Concrete*.

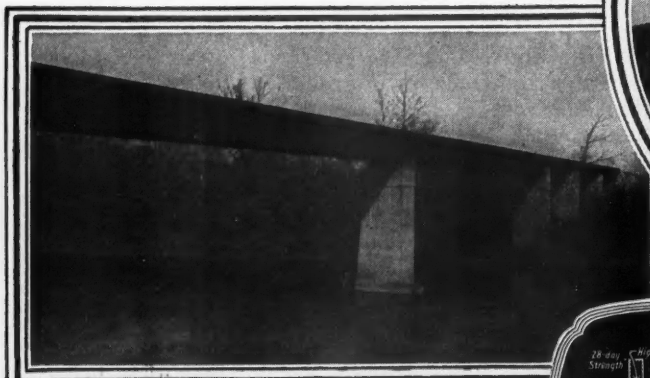
This concrete may be made as workable as desired and used on *all types* of jobs. It not only is as strong at *3 days* as ordinary concrete is at *28 days* but is twice as strong at *28 days* as ordinary concrete and better and stronger forever after (see diagram).

High-Early-Strength Universal Concrete is made by approved methods with *usual materials, usual equipment, usual labor and usual Universal cement*. For full details send in the accompanying coupon.

Universal Portland Cement Co.

Chicago Pittsburgh Minneapolis Duluth Cleveland Columbus New York

Concrete for Permanence

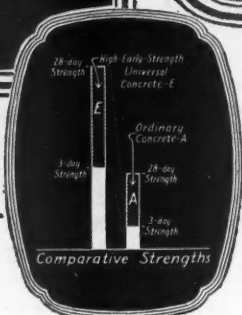


Periodic rises of the Vermilion River made it necessary to increase the height of the bridge of the Streator, Ill., Drain Tile Co. Both early use of the improvement and permanently stronger concrete resulted from use of *High-Early-Strength Universal Concrete*.

Universal Portland Cement Co.
208 South La Salle Street, Chicago

Name

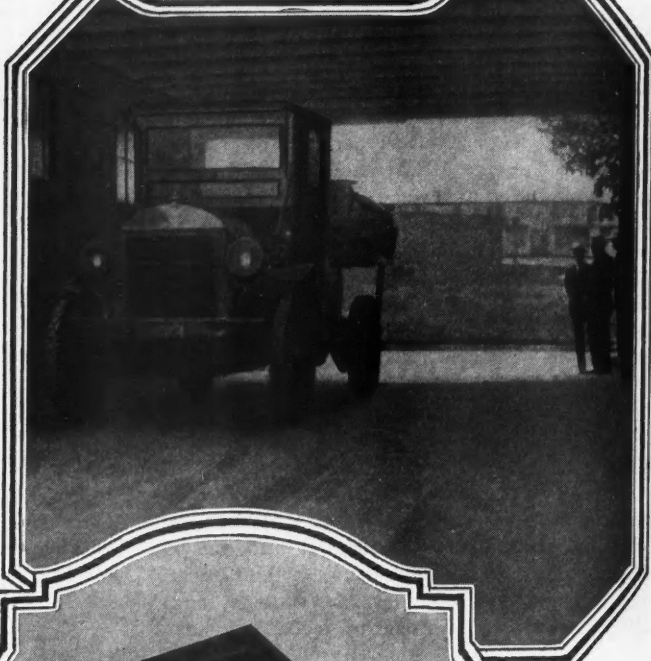
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The roof slab of the Ward Hotel, Aberdeen, S. D., reached the concreting stage when winter set in. With speed essential to meet scheduled completion date, the contractor used *High-Early-Strength Universal Concrete*, shortening the period during which protection from freezing was necessary. The building was then housed in with tarpaulin and work rushed on the lower floors

Without obligation, please send me detailed information on methods of securing strong concrete in 3 days with the usual materials and equipment.

The Lehon Co., Chicago, needed a new shipping platform. The builder completed the job in 3 days without interruption to loading by using *High-Early-Strength Universal Concrete*.



The 150-ton sand and gravel bin of the Monongahela, Pa., Coal & Supply Co. was closed down awaiting completion of a new driveway. By using *High-Early-Strength Universal Concrete* the company secured use of driveway in 3 days.

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EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS



Capitalizing the Future

By FLOYD W. PARSONS

FOUR-MILLION share days in the stock market are a bit confusing to many business men at the present time when they are finding it difficult to maintain earnings at a fair level in the face of bitter competition and low selling prices. The fact is that the profit hazards in industry were never so great as they are today. Approximately 45 per cent of the companies in America during the past four years have reported deficits. More than 100,000 small concerns disclosed an average profit of only \$95 a year apiece. On the other hand, 200 of our big American corporations showed an average annual profit exceeding \$15,000,000 apiece.

It never has been easy for the average person to make money and probably it never will be. The little chorus girl from the country has her ambitions fired and her hopes raised when she views the names of her successful sisters that blaze forth in the Broadway signs. The tens of thousands who fail get no advertising. The same thought carries on into practically every avenue of business. Victory reaches the front page in a hurry, and it requires the exercise of much sense and restraint to keep one's head when money-making becomes a hysteria.

It's mighty pleasant to think of getting a fortune quickly without working for it. Tens of thousands of people throughout the United States are now engaged in that kind of an occupation. They have been taken in by pernicious propaganda. Their minds are possessed by the notion that because we live in a new day with a new order of things all precedents must be discarded.

I quite agree that current conditions in a great many fields are totally different from those of yesterday. Even the stock market now functions with improved methods and better machinery. But human nature remains practically the same. The effective use of exaggeration and prevarication has kept pace with the times. The more efficient facilities now available for spreading useful information are also employed for stirring up dangerous emotions and fostering the desire to get something for nothing by gambling.

My sole purpose in presenting these thoughts is to try and preserve the spirit of caution that is so necessary in the realm of business during a time of prosperity.

It would be a great pity to find the growth of business halted and good times jeopardized by creating an inflation of values that would place enormous wealth in the hands of a few and bring losses and distress to a multitude of people. Already there are evidences that certain groups of financial and industrial leaders have become so intoxicated by the new power placed in their possession through the ownership of stupendous wealth that the warnings of conservative business are completely ignored.

That the people of the United States may look forward to a wonderful future perhaps even exceeding the expectations of the optimists themselves is quite probable. But the problems that lie ahead are not so simple that they can be entirely disregarded. It is far easier to put the price of a stock up fifty or a hundred dollars a share than it is later on to produce earnings that will justify the price. Not all dreams will be realized. In many places there will be disappointments. We gain absolutely nothing by trying to close our eyes to the realities of life and business. Excesses always bring days of reckoning.

This is not set forth in any spirit of pessimism. The whole history of America has shown that it pays to be a bull on the United States. Even Carnegie, smart as he was, could not foresee the rapidity of our country's growth. When the U. S. Steel Corporation was organized he said that the preferred stock was water and the common, air. He actually believed he would get his mills back even-

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Industry Is in a New Age, but Human Nature Remains the Same.

Modernizing Bureau Organized

Entire Building Industry Gets Back of Movement to Make Old Homes New—
Building Contractors to Play Important Part

WHAT leaders in the building industry described as the greatest concerted movement ever undertaken by the construction interests in the United States was formally launched in Chicago on April 11, when 131 executives of 44 associations, corporations and other factors in the building field established a new organization named the Home Modernizing Bureau of the National Building Industries.

Necessary funds to get the organization under way were secured. The meeting voted to incorporate a non-profit organization, elected officers, engaged a secretary and empowered a committee to open headquarters and to begin work on the job of modernizing the more than 20 million existing homes in the United States.

While the immediate objective is the stimulation for this tremendous volume of remodeling work, speakers expressed the opinion that the following results also would be accomplished:

1. Stimulation of new building.
2. Stimulation of home-ownership.
3. Modernization of all other types of structures besides homes.
4. Persuasion of public bodies to undertake necessary public works programs.
5. Preservation of property-values in many communities.
6. Stabilization of prosperity in the building field.
7. Relief of the unemployment situation in the building trades and contribution to general prosperity.
8. Improvement of social conditions.
9. Provision of a basis for future united action on the part of all factors in the building situation looking toward their common interests and prosperity.

Walter J. Kohler, Kohler, Wis., representing the Plumbing and Heating Industries Bureau, who was chairman of the acting executive committee which set out the call for the meeting, was elected president and chairman of the executive committee. Other officers were chosen as follows:

First Vice-President, A. Trieschmann, Chicago, National Lumber Manufacturers' Association.

Second Vice-President, Oscar W. Rosenthal, Chicago, National Association of Building Trades Employers and Associated General Contractors of America.

Third Vice-President, Otto T. Salick, Milwaukee, Wis., President of the U. S. League of Building and Loan Associations.

Members of the executive committee (besides the officers): C. E. Stedman, Chicago, Vice-President Celotex Company, representing insulation; Willard E. Maston, Chicago, Save-the-Surface Committee of the paint and varnish industries; Wilbur Fisk, Logan, Ohio, President American Face Brick Association; Frank A. Hofheins, North Tonawanda, N. Y., President Weatherbest Stained Shingle Co., representing stained wood shingles; Harry S. Knox, Chicago, President Wholesale Sash and Door Association.

George E. Piper, of Chicago, who is well known to AMERICAN BUILDER readers as the author of the Dixon, Ill., remodeling campaign story, was named secretary by the executive committee at its organization meeting. Messrs. Stedman, Rosenthal and Maston were appointed a committee to supervise opening offices in the Builders Building, Chicago, and starting actual operations.

Other executive committee members are to be elected, following confirmation of the personnel of the board of

governors representing various branches of the industry. The board of governors, as constituted at present, is listed at the conclusion of this article.

Commendation from two national cabinet officers contributed an atmosphere of national significance to the meeting. Mr. Kohler read excerpts from a letter from Secretary of Commerce Hoover, endorsing the principles of the movement and stating:

"If there is any helpful information which our division of building and housing, or any other branch of this Department, can furnish at any time, I hope you will feel free to call upon us."

Secretary of Labor Davis wrote:

"A co-operative campaign for remodeling old homes impresses me as being a good move on the part of the building and building materials industries, and also a move which would have many advantages for the people. For the most part these old homes were better constructed originally than many of the new ones, and if their value could be preserved by remodeling and modernizing them it would be a move in the right direction."

But it was not merely the fact of this interest on the part of national officials, nor the additional fact that the men present represented an annual volume of business exceeding six billion dollars, which stimulated expressions as to the importance of the enterprise. The atmosphere of the meeting was that the united industry was going to tackle the biggest job it ever has undertaken.

Action was in the air. Speaker after speaker stressed the thought that the building industry needs to help itself out of an uncomfortable situation—that new home-construction is not of sufficient volume to employ all the capital, labor and other resources of the interests in the field; that bringing American dwellings up to date represents tremendous possibilities in the way of utilizing those resources; and that co-operation on the part of all concerned is the only way in which these possibilities can be actualized.

Several elements of first importance pledged support to the united movement, humorously stating that, if the movement didn't move unitedly, they would do so separately. The contractors' groups, the retail lumber dealers and the building and loan associations expressed this attitude. Oscar W. Rosenthal, representing the National Association of Building Trades Employers and the Associated General Contractors of America, put it picturesquely:

"This movement you are starting is a selling proposition. It is not an experiment. In Illinois alone, we contractors have started programs of this sort in 15 towns, and expect to have the number up to 50 within 90 days.

"Now, we are eager to act with you. We are even willing to let the manufacturers who predominate in this meeting take the leadership of the campaign. If you take it, I promise to 'deliver' to you the 50,000 building contractors of the United States.

"I mean that these 50,000 contractors, your customers, will go out and sell your big idea and sell your products for you. They will put their money and their organization behind you. They will advertise with and for you. They will even buy houses, remodel them, and invite the public to them, at their own expense, to demonstrate what can be done with this remodeling idea.

"But if you want our co-operation, you have to operate. We are going ahead. Our plans are in operation already, and the extent of our co-operation will be determined by the extent of your leadership."

President Kohler, whose leadership in the home-building field is expressed in his creation of the internationally famous ideal community at Kohler, Wisconsin, stated the main purposes of the organization as follows:

"Hundreds of thousands of American families are living in conditions no better than those of European peasants. Tens of thousands of dwellings, in cities where complete water and sewage systems are available, lack sinks, bath tubs and indoor toilets. How can it be said that there is over-production in the building industry, or surplus facilities for production, as long as these conditions exist?"

"This movement is to bring all the interests concerned together under one united leadership. As a result, it will enable the building industry to compete more successfully for the public's interest and its dollars. It will create new interest in old homes. It will preserve property values in thousands of communities. It will increase general prosperity in our industry and in all related businesses.

Russell G. Creviston, Evansville, Ind., manager of the Plumbing and Heating Industries Bureau, outlined the definite plan of action which the committee contemplates. It includes appointment of committees on publicity and advertising, local campaigns, home-financing and sales co-ordination. Under direction of these committees, the following immediate activities, besides others that will develop as conditions require, will be undertaken:

Publicity—Direct distribution of press-material; mobilization of support of newspapers, magazines, banks, civic organizations, women's clubs, public officials, educators and other major influences; supplying advertising, publicity and business-building plans to these local agencies.

Local Campaigns—The devising of standard plans for local bureaus, co-ordinating all local groups and interests; the direct establishment of some such bureaus by a field staff, and the stimulation of their organization by local initiative.

Sales Co-Ordination—Development of methods and plans in which the sales organizations of the member-groups may participate.

Practical co-ordination of advertising and publicity efforts. Speakers' bureau.

As constituted at present, the board of governors, to which other members will be added, consists of the following:

Lumber group: A. Trieschmann, Chicago, Vice-Chairman National Lumber Manufacturers' Association, governor; W. F. Shaw, Chicago, manager central division National Lumber Manufacturers' Association, alternate.

Oak Flooring group: George A. Houston, governor; W. L. Claffey, Chicago, Secretary Oak Flooring Bureau, alternate.

National Retail Lumber Dealers' Association; A. W. Ffund, Chicago, alternate.

Wholesale Lumber: W. W. Schupner, New York City, National American Wholesale Lumber Association, governor.

National Building Supply Association: Walter Jahncke, New Orleans, La., governor.

Prepared Roofing: J. F. Bryant, New York City, Secretary Asphalt Shingle and Roofing Association, governor.

Paint and Varnish group: Willard E. Maston, Chicago, governor; R. M. Newman, alternate.

Oil Burner group: John S. Coonley, Jr., alternate.

Lumber Fabricators, sash and door: P. A. Richardson, governor; N. L. Godfrey, National Door Manufacturers' Association, alternate.

Copper and Brass: A. R. Waterman, Kenosha, Wis., temporary governor.

Wholesale Sash and Doors: Harry L. Knox, governor; S. F. D. Meffley, Sash and Door Association, alternate.

Mill Work Cost Bureau: E. J. Curtis, Curtis Company, Inc., governor; D. L. Appleton, alternate.

Fir Door Manufacturers: George J. Osgood, governor; W. L. Brown, alternate.

Sheet Steel: C. L. Patterson Pittsburgh, Sheet Steel Trade Extension Committee, acting governor.

Sheet Metal Contractors: Paul L. Biersach, Chicago, President National Association of Sheet Metal Contractors, governor.

Cement industry: George Warren, Chicago, Secretary Portland Cement Association, temporary alternate.

Insulants: C. E. Stedman, Chicago, governor; C. D. Freeze, Alternate.

Face Brick: Wilbur C. Fisk, Logan, Ohio, President American Face Brick Association, governor; R. D. T. Hollowell, Chicago, Secretary of the association, alternate.

Weatherstrips: Willard D. Smith, St. Louis, Director of Sales Monarch Metal Weatherstrip Company, governor; Robert M. Burns, alternate.

Architects: W. H. Olmsted, temporary alternate. **Plumbing and Heating Industries Bureau:** Walter J. Kohler, governor; Russell G. Creviston, Evansville, Ind., alternate.

Sanitary Pottery: J. W. Oliver, Vice-President Standard Sanitary Manufacturing Company, governor.

Heat by Radiator: Charles Foster, Vice-President American Radiator Company, governor; W. M. Scudder, Vice-President American Radiator Company, alternate.

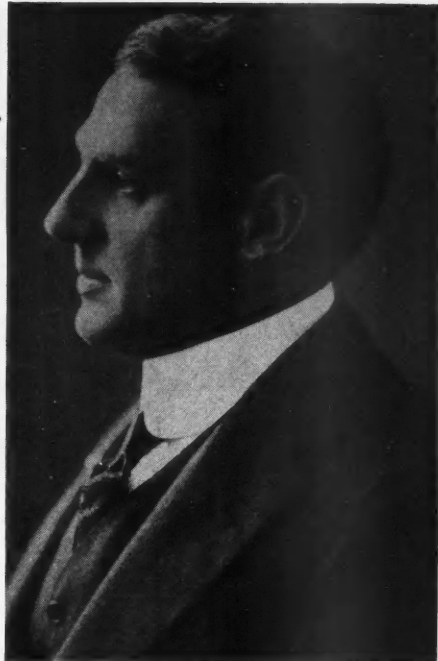
Plumbing Industry: H. W. Seymour, Vice-President Crane Co., governor.

National Association of Heating and Piping Contractors: Harry M. Hart, President, alternate.

National Association of Master Plumbers: Thomas F. Nolan, President, governor.

National Pipe and Supplies Association: W. E. Clow, Jr., Chicago, governor.

Building and Loan Movement: Otto T. Salick, President U. S. League of Building and Loan Associations, governor; Charles J. Churron, alternate.



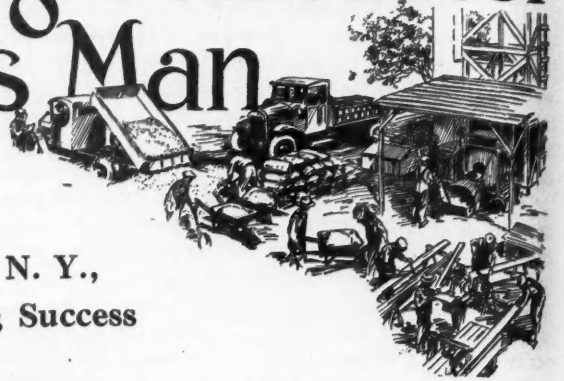
Walter J. Kohler, President.



George Piper, Secretary.

The Modern Building Contractor is a Big Business Man

Enough of the Methods of
Frank N. Goble, Inc., of White Plains, N. Y.,
to Explain this Company's Outstanding Success



THAT methods which have made modern "big business" successful are applicable to the business of the individual contractor is nowhere better illustrated than in the record of Frank N. Goble, Inc., of White Plains, in Westchester County, New York. White Plains is a medium sized city—about 28,000 population—and the remarkable development and expansion of this company in its community is marked at every step by the application of the principles of "big business." The methods of personnel management, insuring a friendly interest shared by employe and employer are particularly well demonstrated.

The Goble methods are exceptional even in this progressive age. The system of monthly meetings for their supervisory force have developed to a point where the general public has been entertained in meeting halls hired by the firm, at illustrated lectures on interesting phases of building. The cost of these lectures has



William J. Goble, President of
Frank N. Goble, Inc.

been amply repaid by the quickened local interest in building in general and in that of the Goble firm in particular.

The story of Frank N. Goble, is that of success through industry, fair dealing, and modern methods and equipment.

The firm started in 1904 with the construction of a small gardener's cottage for Mr. Charles Smithers on North Street in White Plains. The start was a small one, but successive years of good building have made the Goble name synonymous with good construction and have made the firm one of the largest in White Plains and the surrounding country.

Frank N. Goble is a graduate engineer and has always followed technical lines. He studied at McMaster University in Toronto, Canada, and at Harvard. Shortly following the original contract, he was entrusted with a large job, that of effecting alternations and additions to the First Presbyterian Church on North Broadway. Then came a contract for the Home Sav-



Morning at the Yards of Frank N. Goble, Inc., Builders, of White Plains, N. Y., a Modern Constructing Firm, in a Typical Growing City, Which Has Used "Big Business" Methods in Winning Success.



Paying Off at the Job. Frank N. Goble, Inc., has adopted the Cross Armored Car Service for handling its regular payroll. In this way it not only protects its money but also safeguards the men who handle it.

ings Bank Building.

From that time on considerably more than twenty years ago the rise of the concern has been continuous and steady. The business branched out until an office was opened in New York City. Contracts for work were secured in Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, Georgia, South Carolina, and in many other distant locations.

The field and shop equipment of the firm is especially noteworthy. It includes woodworking machinery which eliminates the bothersome worry of getting miscellaneous shop work done in a hurry, such as last minute changes in plans and the small but important alterations in detail work which might otherwise delay an important job.

The larger woodworking plants can scarcely be expected to meet the demands of work of this nature since they are often tied up to a schedule and cannot, without loss, make changes in their routine on short notice.

A two-story building erected by the concern, houses both office and shop. In the rear of the building are lumber sheds, a large garage, and paint shop. A driveway on the left side of the shop building is the entrance to the rear yard. The building is an attractive brick structure. The main entrance leads directly into a reception room and general office, the equal of any prosperous commercial establishment.

The office equipment consists of a number of typewriters, check writer, payroll tabulator, adding machine, and calculating instrument. One feature that impresses the visitor is a comprehensive file of catalogs kept in filing cabinets and book cases. These catalogs cover the entire building field. They are



This Familiar Diamond Shaped Sign Marks Every Job on Which the Company Works.

cross-indexed and kept up-to-date, so that when any particular information regarding material or equipment is desired it can be found instantly. In the preparation of these catalogs, use was made of the comprehensive advertising pages of the AMERICAN BUILDER, especially the April issues, which are really encyclopedias of building materials and equipment.

The rear of the first floor and the entire second floor is devoted to the shop, while the general office, estimating room and private offices are in the front of the building. Considerable ingenuity was used in incorporating various materials in the walls and partitions of the general office. In this way, they serve as samples to show visitors, and it adds a decided "building" atmosphere to the office.

The equipment and layout of the shop, while very interesting to builders, would be a revelation to the general public who do not understand the variety of builders' equipment necessary for carrying on various large operations. Like an army with its base of supplies, the Goble plant stands at the back of every job. The equipment of the

shop is shown in the list on this page as is also the field equipment.

A one-story garage, steam heated, affords shelter to the fleet, and the complete machine shop attached is in charge of a competent mechanic who takes care of all repairs and overhauling, constantly inspecting the auto fleet and job equipment.

The extensive storage racks and sheds afford the opportunity to purchase considerable stocks of standard materials when prices are lowest. For finish stock there is maintained a supply of oak, whitewood, fir, birch, ash, chestnut, cypress, Oregon pine, North Carolina pine,

Shop Equipment

- FIRST FLOOR—**
 Seven-inch, four-sided moulder
 Rip saw
 Cross-cut saw
 Twenty-four-inch combination planer
 Fourteen-inch lathe
 Sixteen-inch jointer
 Grinder
 Anvil drill
- SECOND FLOOR—**
 Mortising machine
 Six-inch miter machine
 Four-inch, four-sided sticker
 Double spindle shaper
 Special pocket machine
 Pulley machine
 Twenty-six-inch hand saw
 Two combination saw tables
 Tenon machine
 Boring machine
 Mortiser
 Grinder
 Belt sander

To remove refuse from machines a blower system has been installed. Individual electric motor driver is used on all these machines.

Field Equipment

- Concrete mixer
 Concrete mixer with 6 h.p. engine and folding platform.
 Concrete mixer with hoist and 30 h.p. electric motor
 Two gas engines—one equipped with air compressor
 Electric drill
 Hoist
 Two bar cutters
 Diaphragm sewer pump and power pump
 Forge cutter
 Chain hoist
 Portable hoist
 Centrifugal pump—gasoline, two inch
 Portable saw table
 Carbide lights for night work
 Blasting outfit
 Three concrete heaters
 Sack baler
 Metal lath cutter
 Pipe cutter
 Convertible level
 Transit
 Eighteen-inch "Y" level

Automotive Equipment

- 1—One-ton truck
 1—Two-ton truck
 1—2½-ton truck
 0—Passenger cars

Complete Equipment for First Class Work Has Proved a Good Investment for Frank N. Goble, Inc., and This List Shows What Complete Equipment for Such a Business Means.

and a quantity of three and five-ply veneer panels of birch and oak.

Not to do cheap work, but rather good work economically has been the Goble policy, for the apparent saving in cheap work is often more than eaten up in subsequent replacements and repairs, to say nothing of the dissatisfaction and annoyance to all parties concerned. Frank N. Goble, Inc., is a strong supporter and member of the Westchester County Chapter of the Associated General Contractors' of America, whose motto is "Skill, Integrity and Responsibility."

The progressive and skillful advertising done by the concern is an exceptionally intelligent example of the proper sort of publicity work. The advertisements are prepared with a standardized border, made of a repeating diamond design in the form of the well-known Goble trademark.

The advertising bears the earmarks of restraint and good taste and is of an institutional nature. The different examples have, usually, as their central subject, some phase of organization such as the personnel. One advertisement may take up the work of the different departments comprising the organization, while another may call attention to some lesser-known activity of the concern, such as remodeling or painting work.

The feature of holding monthly meetings of the superintendents, foremen and office force would seem comparatively new with firms of the Goble type, although a recognized success in many other lines of business where the personnel is all-important to the work of the company. In this respect the Goble firm ranks with any industrial enterprise in which modernization has played a part. It is rather a striking example of the benefits of modern methods applied with understanding to a fresh field.

After the inauguration of these meetings, it became customary to hold a social hour following the business session with its talks on pertinent subjects and free discussion by everybody. From the very start, the meetings were a pronounced success in promoting co-operation and intelligent and active discussion.

The enthusiasm manifested at the meetings convinced the

GENERAL CONTRACTORS
FRANK N. GOBLE

DEPARTMENTS

Years ago FRANK N. GOBLE, Inc., realized that to serve the best interests of the owners complete departments must be maintained in the basic trades included under the head of "General Contractor." To this end it has carefully built up complete organization in the following crafts:

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| Masonry | Plastering |
| Carpentry | Painting |
| Millwork | Decorating |
| Automotive | |

The men of these crafts are of the best and work under constant supervision.

Our woodworking mill produces work for our own consumption, eliminating costly delays and insuring seasoned and selected stock.

Our lumber yard is the largest private yard in this locality and our stocks of construction equipment is maintained to a level of all current needs.

Modern and complete equipment always available from our yard. Maintaining a fleet of auto trucks, the movement of material is under our control.

Your inspection of our plant is invited.

Repairs, Alterations, Painting, Decorating and Maintenance Work

Frank N. Goble, Inc.
49 Brookfield Street Telephone 3480

Much of the Goble Advertising Is Institutional, Centering Around the Company Organization and Personnel.

executives of the company that the general public would be interested in hearing the history of manufacture and use of the materials entering into building. A lecture on terra cotta ushered in this series, and immediately captured the public interest.

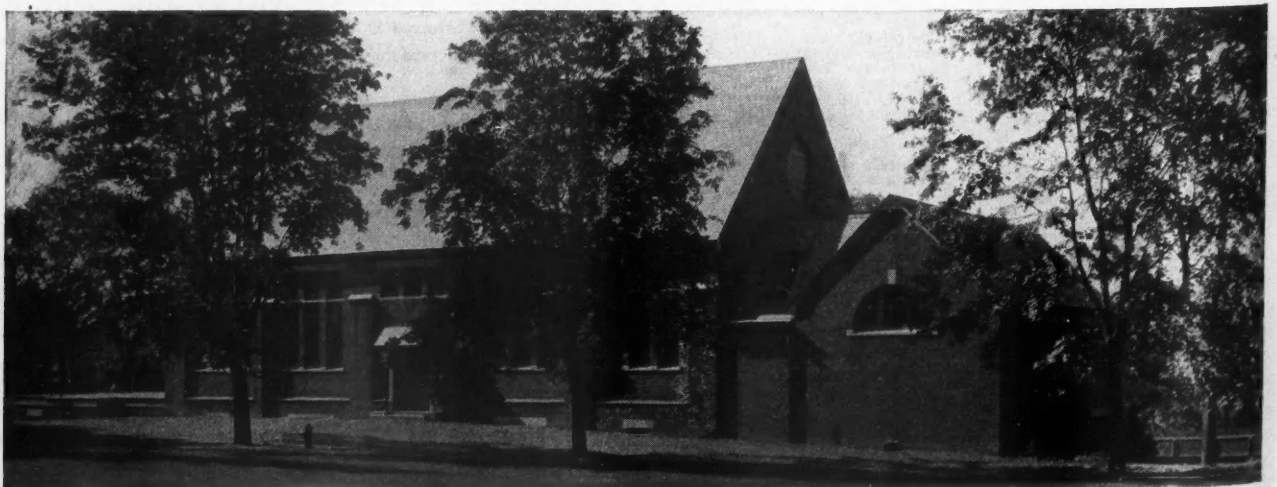
Lantern slides and a short musical program supplemented the talks and refreshments of coffee, ice cream and cake were served, lending a home-like atmosphere to the affairs. In these, as in all other like affairs, the expenses were borne by Mr. Goble, who was alive to the increased esteem and favor with which his firm was honored as a consequence. In this matter, it is interesting to remark upon the surprisingly large percentage of the individuals in a community whose work brings them in contact with some phase of building.

In the subsequent meetings invitations were extended to the members of the local Lions' and Rotary Clubs, real estate dealers, bankers, supply dealers and others interested in real estate. The general interest taken in these meetings confirmed

Mr. Goble's opinion that the public at large is taking an increasingly greater and more searching interest in building construction and that prospective house builders of today are anxious to learn about proper materials and methods to be used in future homes. Cost, adaptability to various styles and periods, financing methods and construction are subjects of seemingly unlimited interest to the public.

It seems obvious that considerable publicity value may be created for the firm taking advantage of this general interest. When given under the auspices of a prominent building firm of known integrity, it seems reasonable to expect that a considerable revenue in good will for that firm will be the result.

Such a series of public informative talks would seem a logical and a practical merchandising effort for any building firm in almost any community. Or a group of firms or associations might arrange such meetings, economically and to the mutual benefit of everyone. Anything which will stimulate and satisfy the public interest in home building is considered good business, and it would appear manifest



The Men's Gymnasium of the Bloomingdale Hospital, Grosvenor Atterbury, Architect. One of several buildings erected by Frank N. Goble, Inc., for this hospital.



One of the Fine Homes, the Residence of L. D. Armstrong, at Riverside, Conn., Donn Barber, Architect, Which Stand for the Kind of Work Done by Frank N. Goble, Inc.

that such a scheme could not fail in its purpose.

A few years ago ill health forced Mr. Frank N. Goble to retire and move to California, where he now resides at Pasadena. Since then, the presiding has devolved upon William J. Goble, his brother, under whose leadership the firm has continued to advance in prosperity and esteem. William J. Goble is a graduate of Woodstock College, Ontario, Canada, and has followed the building trades since he emerged from his school training. This particularly fitted him to take the position of general construction superintendent soon after the formation of the concern and to assume the duties of president upon the retirement of his brother.

Today he is an acknowledged authority in construction work and in addition to increasing duties with the company is vice-president of The Peoples National Bank of White Plains, and a director of the Lions' Club. He is also active in fraternal affairs, a member of the Canadian Club of New York, Milton Point Casino, White Plains Club, etc., and actively interested in community developments and projects.

He possesses fine qualities of leadership, inspiring confidence and respect. His first thought is for the welfare of his employes and he shares alike their joys and sorrows. For none is quicker with the helping hand or sympathetic word.

The high regard in which he is held is reflected by the inscription his employes caused to be inscribed recently to him, viz.:

Employer—Counselor—Friend

"A Man!—a right true man, however,

Whose work's worthy a man's endeavor,"

And to whom this page is affectionately inscribed by his Associates in tribute of their esteem.

He had had entire charge of the construction plant, the field forces and the execution of the building operations before his installation as president.

Thomas H. Cole, the treasurer, joined the organization eleven and a half years ago. He had previously been employed by P. F. Collier and Son, in their Accounting Department, and later in the Advertising Department, leav-

ing to take charge of the Purchasing Department for J. J. Little and Ives Co.

He has been with the Goble Company continuously since the Spring of 1916, and for some years has been office manager. His duties in addition to general supervision of accounting and office routine, includes the purchasing of material and preparing the company's advertising copy. He has been responsible for the development of the monthly shop meetings, the success of which has caused nation-wide comment.

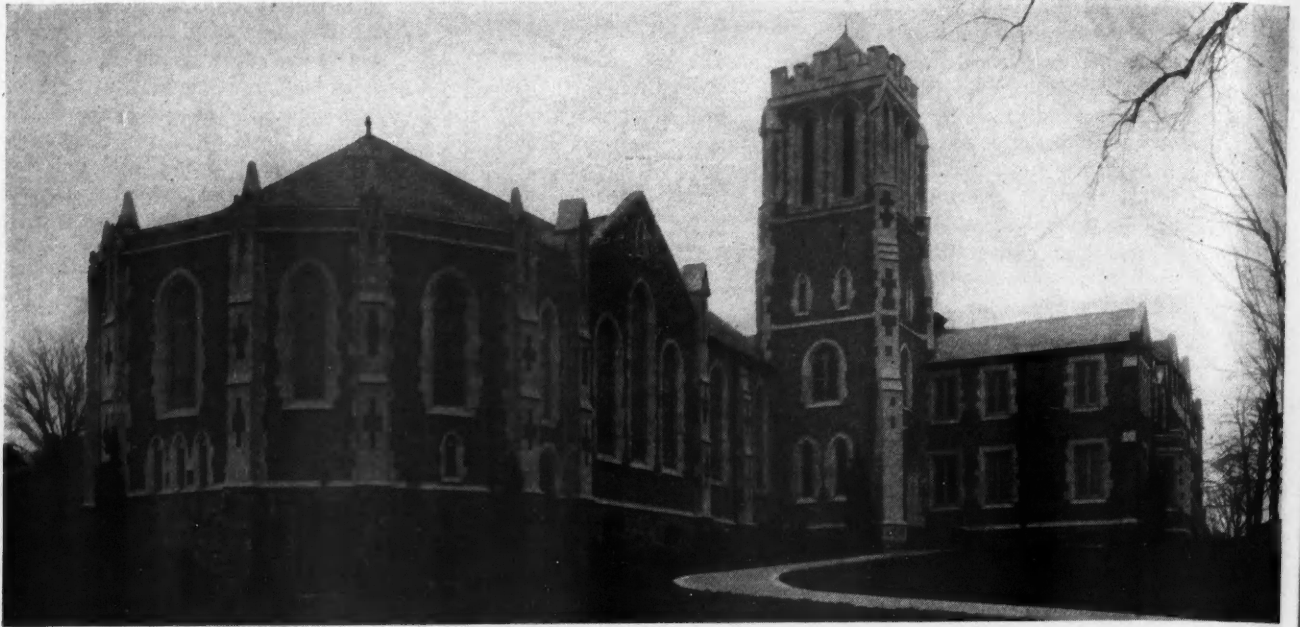
For three years he served as secretary and a year ago was elected treasurer, an office he now holds. His is the responsibility, also, of arranging the financial matters; a job of no small proportions. He is a member of several fraternal societies, active in civic affairs and boy's work and a member of the Rotary Club of White Plains. Last year he, with the other officials, purchased an interest in the Company from Frank N. Goble, who retired from active association in the business.

Charles F. Sanford came to the concern about three years ago and last year was elected as vice-president. He was one of the founders and for many years secretary and treasurer of the former firm of Lieberman and Sanford Co. of New York City, specialists in ornamental iron. He was for 17 years connected with the J. L. Mott Iron Works. Mr. Sanford is active in trade affairs and has been for 11 years a member of the Board of Governors of the Employers' Association of Architectural Iron Workers.

He has had particular charge of dealings with architects and owners in the matter of securing new business and has acted as the contact man with the owners and architects of jobs under construction. He has also handled the financial affairs.

Mortimer Y. Pietschker, secretary of the firm, has been associated since 1921 with the Goble brothers as superintendent of the painting and decorating department, a position he took when he closed out his own painting business of eight years' establishment. He still continues his supervision of this branch of the work, a field in which he is an acknowledged expert.

Frank N. Goble, Inc., stands as a splendid example of



Another Building Which Illustrates the Wide Variety of Work Handled by the Goble Organization Is the First Baptist Church, at White Plains, Edgar A. Josselyn, Architect.

this country's progressive and far-sighted building concerns. In organization, equipment, public confidence and achievement it is fit to take first rank with the country's foremost industrial enterprises.

The monthly meetings have been an extension of the human methods of personnel management, which have paid solid dividends of good faith and team work, besides their acknowledged beneficial effect upon public esteem.

Safety First Methods

One of the shop meetings, each season, is devoted to the interest of safety methods and accident preventions. In the past films, sponsored by U. S. Bureau of Mines, such as: "When Wages Stop, or Safety First in the Petroleum Industries," "Live and Let Live," and "Safety or Sorrow," have been shown.

A talk by the safety engineer of the insurance carrier, covering the State Workman's Compensation Law, its purpose, development and "modus operandi," current changes and approved methods for the prevention of accidents.

Demonstration in first aid to the injured by a troop of Boy Scouts of America, covering the handling and transportation of the injured, bandaging and treatment in cases of typical accidents.

A novel method that has proved effective in keeping the first aid kits in good shape and always properly filled has been by giving each superintendent and foreman a Johnson & Johnson Cabinet inscribed with his name and this he carries with him from job to job. The result of this personal touch has been marked, for each takes a pride in having his kit constantly available, clean and fully stocked.

The cumulative result has been a reduction in the number of accidents and loss of time, resulting in an experienced credit rating granted by the State Rating Board of the Insurance Department.

The company was awarded the Wm. F. Tubesing cup in the national safety contest, sponsored by the Associated General Contractors of America, having the lowest accident record for the year 1927 of any member of the association throughout the United States. For the six months ending December 31, 1927, the company had an average of 140 employes working a total of 134,366 hours, and during this period had but three accidents causing loss of time.

Another instance of the company's attitude towards the welfare of its employes has been the adoption of group insurance. Every employe, after three (3) months' service, has the privilege of taking out a \$1,000 policy, the premium

for which is shared jointly by the employes and employer. This also carries sick and accident benefit, \$10.00 a week for 13 weeks, for cases not covered by the Workman's Compensation Law, such as illness occurring outside of employment.

This has been arranged through the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of New York.

Armored Car Service

Realizing that payroll insurance was at its best but a pecuniary protection that did not lessen jeopardizing the lives of those paying and receiving cash, Frank N. Goble, Inc., was one of the first contracting firms of Westchester to avail itself of the Cross Armored Car Service. These armored guards in an armored car pay off all jobs and bring to a minimum any danger through a possible hold up.

The plan, too, has proved more efficient than the older methods of paying off and the employe appreciates this protection, while the company feels it has done the utmost in safeguarding its men.

It is interesting to note that many of the employes of the firm have been connected with it over a long period of years and that the labor turnover has been exceptionally small. Frank N. Goble, Inc., has among its hundred employes four who have been with the company more than 20 years; four who have been with the company from 15 to 20 years; 16 who have been with the company from 10 to 15 years; 19 who have been with the company from 5 to 10 years, and 25 who have been with the company from 1 to 5 years. A record to be proud of by both sides.



City Planning

AS a measure of recent civic accomplishment the Civic Development Department of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States calls attention to the fact that 409 cities and towns in this country now have official city planning commissions. It summarizes in its report the methods followed and procedure adopted.

Despite this sudden revival of city planning, John Ihlder, manager of the department, calls attention to the fact that it is as old as the city of Washington. "When we say our present interest in city planning goes back some 15 or 20 years," he says, "we do not mean that city planning in America began only 20 years ago. Some of the earliest settlements, Philadelphia, Savannah, Williamsburg, were carefully planned by their founders."

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Engineer-Builder Finds Success in Designing and Building Homes

Rapid Growth of Flint, Michigan, with its Great Automobile Plants, Offers Opportunity

WADE HAMPTON HORN, now engineer-builder of Flint, Michigan, and president of his own construction company, showed his enterprise early in youth by working as a newsboy on the streets of his home town, Columbus, Ohio. The same commendable spirit led him to take a home-study course in bridge engineering after completing his schooling in a Columbus public school, high school and Ohio State University.

It was then his good fortune to secure employment with one of the country's foremost mining engineers and educators—Mr. Frank A. Ray, consulting mining engineer and professor of mine engineering at Ohio State University. In this position with Professor Ray, Wade Horn, then a youth of 19, followed the successive steps of blue printer, tracer, draftsman, detailer, designer, surveyor, field engineer, chief of engineering corps and appraiser of coal



Wade Hampton Horn, President of the Company Which Bears His Name. Mr. Horn is an experienced engineer and brings the thoroughness of engineering methods to the planning and construction, as well as the financing of homes, apartment buildings and stores.

mining properties. All told, this first engineering experience, covered a period of 14 years and included the designing of mining plants in Ohio and Illinois and the construction of such buildings as reinforced concrete coal tipples, coal trestles, coal bins, chutes, conveyors, belt conveyors, mine and track scales, mine shaft cages, elevators, foundry plants, machine shops and the calculating and laying out of mine ventilation.

Quite a feather in the cap of the young engineer was his appointment by the United States District Court as one of three appraisers of the Sunday Creek Coal Company's properties, finally appraised at a value of \$2,000,000.

Mr. Horn afterwards became chief engineer for the Raleigh Coal & Coke Company and construction engineer for the Wisconsin Steel Company. During this period, he lectured at Ohio State University on various subjects in connection with engineering



Seven-Room House in Flint, Michigan, of Colonial Design, Planned and Built by the Wade Hampton Horn Corporation. The house was completed on January 15th of this year. Floor plans are shown on an adjoining page and reveal a well planned and comfortable interior. The basement plan, which is not illustrated, shows an interesting feature—a "den" with fireplace, as well as separate boiler room, laundry and fruit room.

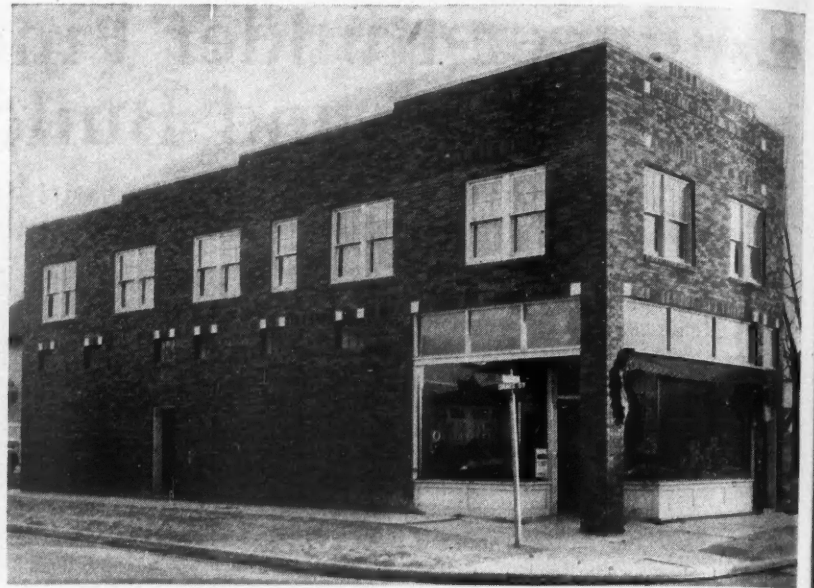
and mining. Among the most important projects which Mr. Horn carried through at Benham, Kentucky, for the Wisconsin Steel Company and finished up within one year—the agreed time of construction—were the following:

- A new 1,500-ton a day mining plant.
- Two railroad bridges, each 120 feet long and on the skew.
- One hundred fifty-ton railroad track scales.
- One mile of standard gauge railroad line.
- Five hundred-ton coal bin.
- Intermediate impounding coal bin.
- One and one-half mile of mountainside tram road.
- Inclined plane hoist.
- Three miles of underground mine work.
- All-steel scraper conveyor.
- One thousand two hundred fifty kw. Curtis turbine generator set.
- Two hundred houses.

It was in the winter of 1919 that Mr. Horn moved to Flint, Michigan, and decided to enter the building construction field. This was the year of high prices immediately after the war and, the following year, there was a reaction which acted as a brake on building. In spite of these adverse conditions at the outset, Mr. Horn's company has grown into an incorporation which has, during the last few years, erected considerably over a half million dollars worth of homes including between forty and fifty houses, as well as several two-flat and store buildings, a 30-ton refrigerating plant for the Genessee Ice Company and a miniature power plant for the H. S. H. Lunch Company at Highland Park, Michigan, necessary in the preparation of food for 30,000 Ford factory employes.

Besides the large number of homes built by Mr. Horn's organization in the city of Flint, they also built several combined store and apartment buildings in that city, the First Baptist Church building at Dearborn, Michigan, the Spencer Wholesale Market in Detroit and other construction enterprises. The work immediately in prospect includes one 26-family apartment building, one 18-family apartment building, a cold storage warehouse and a large number of individual homes.

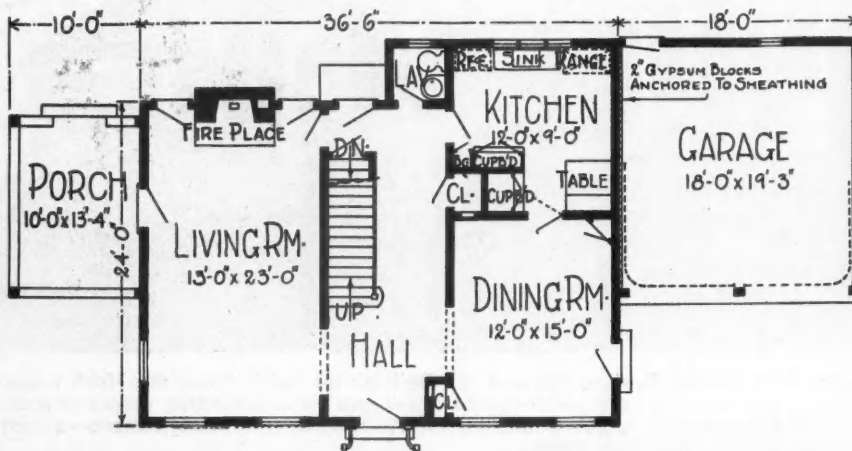
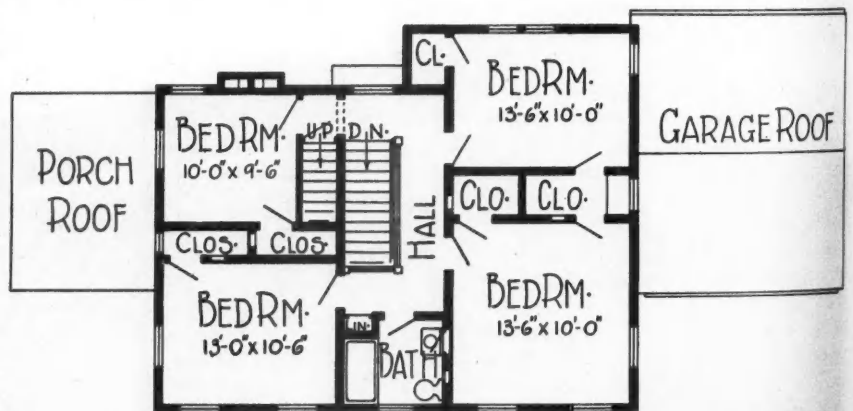
The growing success of Mr. Horn and his organization is based on merit and a policy of rendering exceptional service and giving exceptional value



Store and Apartment Building Erected in Flint by the Wade Hampton Horn Company. This building was finished last summer and has a small basement, steam heat, refrigeration, wood floor joists and studs on second floor. It contains two suites of apartments and one store room.

for the money invested by owners. This service includes design and plans, financing, building and supervision. Mr. Horn, with his engineering training, realizes the value of good design, carefully worked out plans and close supervision of construction. His company, performing a number of services, will earn besides the construction profit, the architectural commission, the financing commission and the real estate commission.

The architectural work is in charge of Mr. John Yeats, a licensed architect, with extended experience both in this country and abroad. He is a graduate of the Aberdeen



Ground Floor and Second Floor Plan of Seven-Room House, the Exterior of Which Is Illustrated on Preceding Page. Living room, dining room and hall are of generous proportions and the kitchen is planned with built-in cupboards and other features for convenient housekeeping. Note the convenient location of the sink under triple windows and flanked by range and refrigerator. The garage has a two-inch gypsum block partition protecting the house wall. The four bedrooms upstairs are admirably proportioned. Besides the bathroom on the second floor, there is a toilet on the ground floor.

Technical College, Aberdeen, Scotland, and an associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects. His work in this country includes a number of years' experience with Coolidge & Shattuck and other prominent Boston architects, besides a year during which he was engaged in the practice of architecture on his own account in the city of Detroit.

Mr. John Hansen, general superintendent in charge of construction, is an experienced building mechanic with 24 years' experience on all classes of construction work.

Mr. Edgar W. Dean, public accountant, of Columbus, Ohio, is office manager in charge of the company's accounts.

The Wade Hampton Horn plan of operation is to refuse to compete with outside architects and to design only those buildings which they themselves will construct. In addition to building for a cash consideration, the company will build a home for any client who owns his own lot free and unincumbered, accepting the deed as first payment and giving back a contract for the completed home. The value of the lot must equal 20 per cent of the value of the completed home.

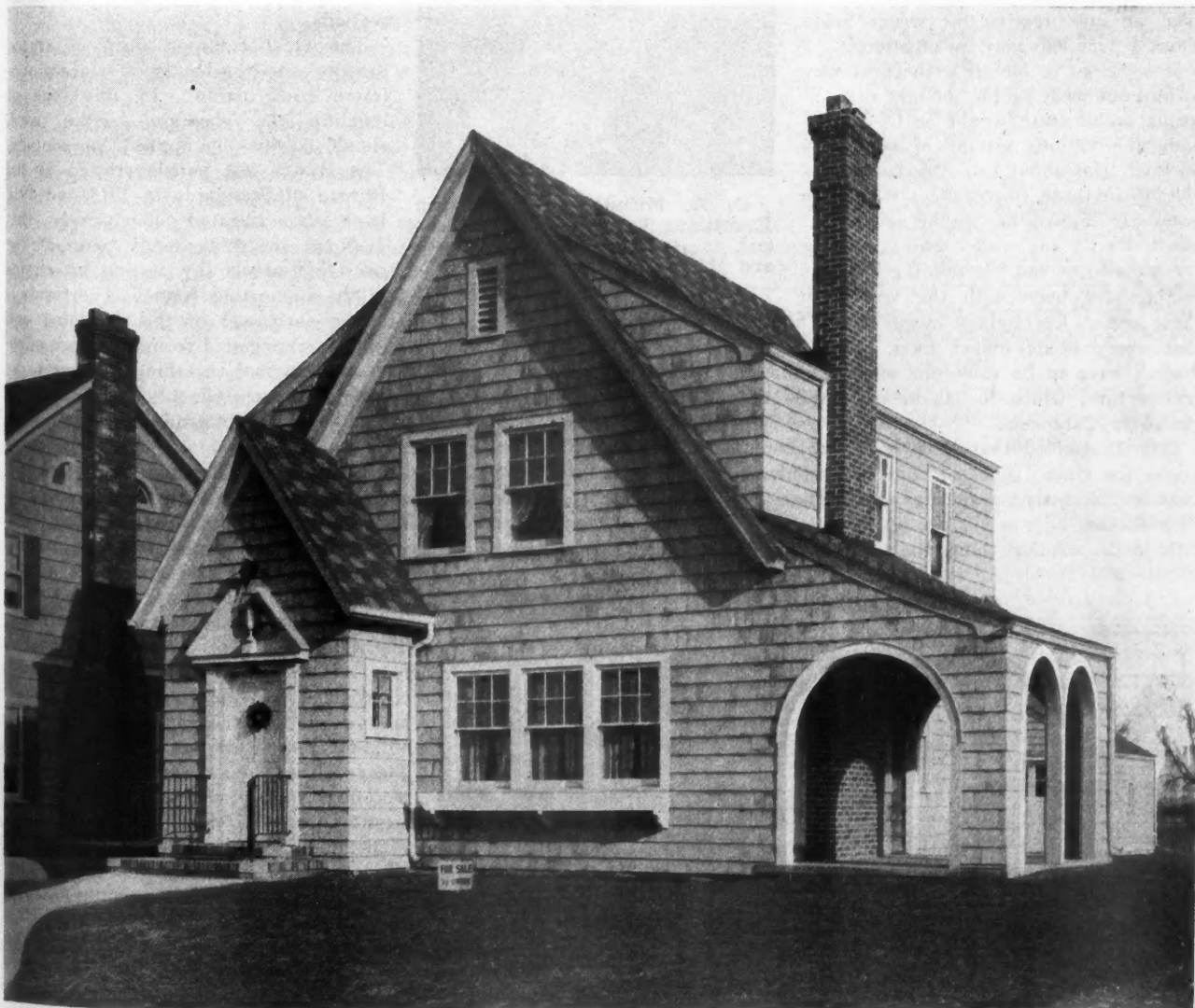
As an illustration, the financing of a \$10,000 home would be as follows:

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| Value of lot..... | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Obtained by the contractor on first mortgage.... | 4,000.00 |
| Advanced by the contractor..... | 2,000.00 |
| Estimated profit to the contractor and realizable to him from monthly payments at rate of \$80.00 per month, with interest at 7 per cent..... | 2,000.00 |
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| | \$10,000.00 |

A method followed by some builders is to cash the contract by selling it to one of the financing companies which engage in the business of buying contracts. These companies demand at least 16 per cent for discounting a contract and the builder thus loses, on a \$10,000.00 operation, \$1,600.00 of his \$2,000 profit for discount. This latter method may put the owner in the hands of unscrupulous loan sharks who will seize the first opportunity to secure undisputed title to the property should the owner fail to meet his contract payments promptly.

As Mr. Horn points out, the method followed by his company, while it requires considerable capital, yields a much better profit and protects the owner against the contingency named. He also points out that the builder who retains a financial interest in the property over a period of years has more interest in putting enduring value into the building.

There has been marked building activity in Flint during the last few years and the present year will see a still greater volume of construction. The General Motors Corporation is building large new factories in Flint with a view to increasing its truck manufacturing capacity. Large additions to their working forces is bringing many new families into Flint and calling for greatly increased housing accommodations. Besides the homes required for the workmen and provided in group developments, many homes and business establishments will be required elsewhere in the city for officials and clerks and for merchants doing business with the company, its officials and employes.



Attractive Home Sided with Stained Wooden Shingles Which Was Designed and Built in Flint, Michigan, by the Wade Hampton Horn Corporation. The long, steep roof lines suggest an English cottage design. The porch, with its iron railings and graceful millwork ornament, adds greatly to the appearance of this home.

An Opportunity in Stucco

Correct Practice in Applying Stucco is Just as Essential to Success as Good Workmanship is in Any Phase of Building

By O. A. MALONE

TO the builder today stucco offers an unusual opportunity. For there is a distinct trend towards Spanish and Normandy types of architecture which a builder can capitalize by specializing on stucco dwellings.

It is possible, too, with stucco construction, to give an individuality to each structure, a thing that is going to be essential to the builder who would make a big success in the next few years. America, particularly in its cities, has been surfeited with standardized building exteriors, particularly of the bungalow type.

There is a question in the minds of some builders at least as to whether California types of architecture would prove popular in other sections of the country. I think this doubt is rapidly being dispelled by the way in which Spanish and Normandy architecture is taking hold in many places in the country today. However, an investigation the writer made about a year ago may be of interest.

It occurred to him that the best way to find out what people thought of California architecture would be to accompany the various groups of sightseers on their trips about Los Angeles and its vicinity in those conveyances which are popularly known as "rubberneck wagons." I wish any reader who is looking for ways to extend his building business might have been with the writer on these trips. Certainly it would leave him with no doubt that every home owner likes, wants and will buy (he doesn't have to be sold) the striking color and individual architecture, which it has been possible to achieve with stucco in California.

Having decided that he is going to capitalize the new vogue for stucco types of construction, the builder should bear in mind that enduring construction only will bring him success.

It is a peculiar thing that the public tendency is to

approve or condemn stucco without regard to methods or materials used. If a frame building collapses because of poor bracing, the workmanship, not the material, is condemned; but if stucco cracks or breaks, or if the color fades, the same public jumps at once to the conclusion, "Don't build with stucco—it doesn't last," and the builder in that community is faced with a most difficult task in again winning the home-buying public's approval.

For this reason the builder should be exceedingly careful concerning the materials and construction methods he employs. Building a good stucco exterior today is simplicity itself if proved methods are used; but let the builder beware of taking any experimental steps. The writer speaks from a lifetime of experience, for he himself started as a plasterer's apprentice when a boy, and his family have been plasterers for generations.

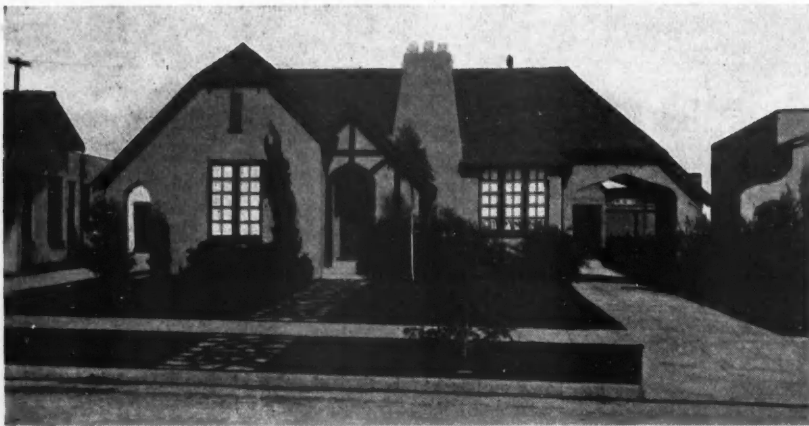
The most common form of stucco exterior for residences is stucco over frame construction. In this type of building the sheathing, when used, should always be applied horizontally. The stucco test panels erected at the Bureau of Standards in 1915 and 1916 have demonstrated conclusively that diagonal sheathing tends to crack the overlying stucco by setting up strains in the supporting frame. The result is undoubtedly due to the shrinkage of the sheathing and whatever benefit might be anticipated from the more effective bracing provided by diagonal sheathing appears to be more than offset by the shrinkage effect. Of course, horizontal sheathing has an advantage of economy over diagonal sheathing.

The next requirement is a waterproof base for the exterior stucco coat. Apply a good grade of 15-pound waterproof building paper over the exterior sheathing, horizontally, starting at the bottom of the wall and lapping vertical points at least six inches. Horizontal laps should be not less than three inches. Care should be taken in bringing this waterproof paper up to the flashing so that a thoroughly waterproof connection is provided. A small amount of moisture may do a great amount of damage to building frame-work and interior decoration. The result will be a dissatisfied home owner who might just as well have been an enthusiastic booster of your business.

In building a stucco house it is well for the builder to remember that he is really building a stone product structure. In the case of a stucco exterior, frame building this stone wall is about one inch thick. No one would think of building a stone wall an inch thick without thorough reinforcing. So the builder will use steel reinforcing built into his stucco slab to insure enduring



O. A. Malone, an Expert on Everything Connected with Stucco and an Artist in the Development and Use of Colored Stucco.



Some of the Types of Home Architecture Which Have Become Popular of Late Years, Lend Themselves Particularly Well to Treatment in Stucco.



Three so That Slab.

service—without cracks, repairs, or other damage.

Now, it would seem that it should be fairly apparent that this steel reinforcement should be placed near the center of the slab. The reader would probably be surprised at the number of years before we learned to make certain of this first essential.

Certainty on the location of the steel reinforcement is secured by the use of a metal clip behind the nail which fastens the steel reinforcement to the frame work. As shown in the illustration, this clip is so arranged that it holds the steel $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch away from the sheathing. There are several such clips on the market today which will give good service. In using them it is well to pick a design which does not break the paper. Both clip and nail should be thoroughly galvanized.

The steel itself should be of a form that provides large openings so that the plaster cannot help but force the first coat of portland cement through these openings up against the waterproof paper, giving an unbroken coat of portland cement back of the steel reinforcing. My own terms for such large opening reinforcing has been "foolproof" reinforcement. Any builder knows the advantage of using foolproof construction especially when the construction is buried, making inspection difficult or impossible.

In applying the steel reinforcing, the main principle to be adhered to is to create a continuous metal reinforcement over the entire surface to be plastered.

The one-inch thick stucco slab is built up of three coats, the scratch coat which goes back of the steel, the brown coat which covers the steel and gives a smooth surface for the final, the finish coat.

Uniform mixes for scratch and brown coats are positively essential. The following system should be employed to avoid the variation occasioned by the usual method of mixing so many shovels to the sack. Provide a one-cubic foot measure box. Put in mortar box 18 cubic feet of sand and level off and mark on mixing box. Add five sacks of portland cement and one 50-pound sack of hydrated lime. Mix together, dry, before adding water. In succeeding mixes, shovel the sand into the mortar box to the level marked by first mix and

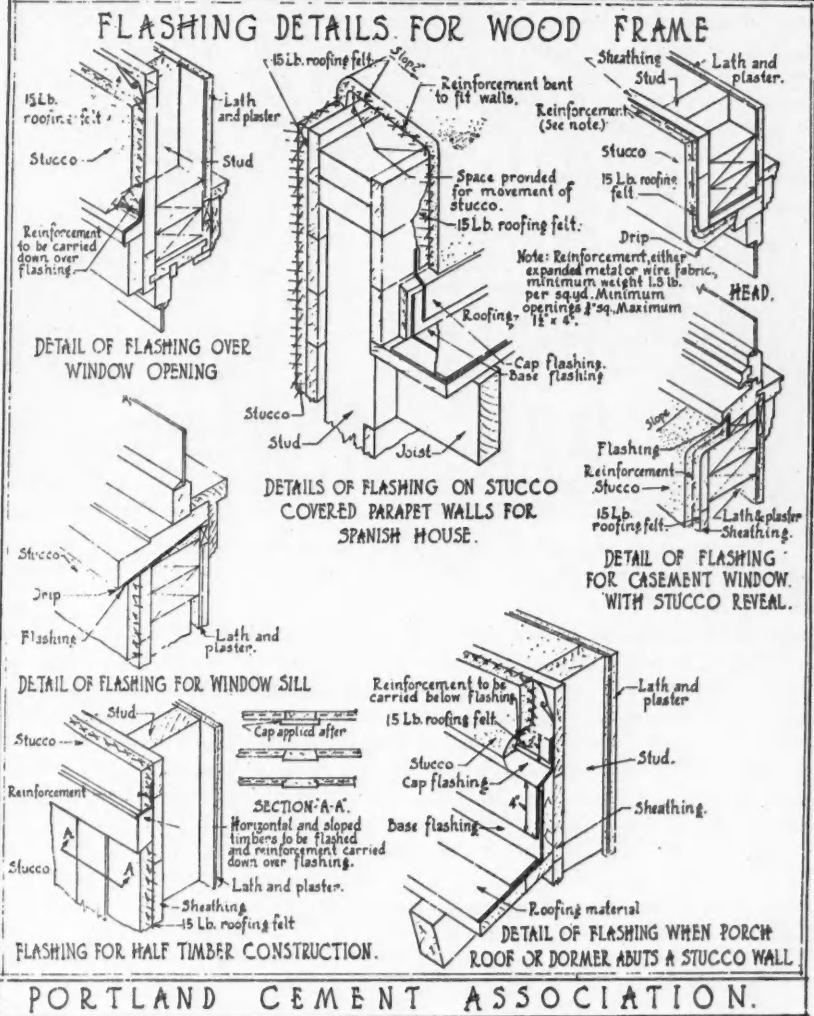
add cement and lime as before. This method of mixing is no more expensive than the old method of counting shovels and is far more accurate. Machine mixing is always to be recommended.

As previously stated, the scratch coat should be shoved through the metal reinforcing to form a solid mass behind the steel against the building paper. The surface of this coat should be heavily cross-scratched to give a strong mechanical key for the second or browning coat.

This browning coat should be put on to a thickness of at least $\frac{1}{2}$ inch over the first coat so that the steel reinforcement is thoroughly embedded. Through the use of the metal spacer which holds the steel reinforcement away from the sheathing and the large openings in the steel reinforcing itself, the application of the stucco coats becomes literally an act of pouring portland cement back of, into and around the steel reinforcing. This leaves the steel reinforcing where it belongs, in the center of the slab, where it gives maximum support and receives maximum protection.

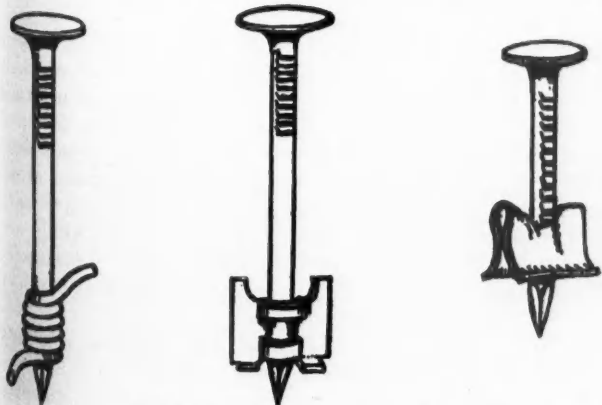
The surface of the browning coat will depend on the surface desired for the finish coat. It may be rodded straight and true in every direction, or it may be left untrue to give a wavy effect. If the weather is hot and dry, this coat should be wet down for at least three days and allowed to become perfectly dry before the finish coat is

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This Series of Sketches Shows the Details of Flashing for Wood Frame Construction as It Should Be Handled to Obtain a Thoroughly Satisfactory Stucco Finish That Will Last.



Three Types of Nail Designed to Fasten Steel Reinforcing so That the Reinforcing Will Be in the Center of the Stucco Slab.



Stucco Exteriors Are as Suitable for Large Buildings as They Are for Small Bungalows. The Hotel Senator, Sacramento, California, is a notable example in support of this.

applied. The scratch coat should be wet down, but not saturated, before applying second coat.

The finishing coat should be of colored stucco applied in strict accordance with the manufacturer's directions to give color and texture which has been chosen by architect or owner. Since stucco is a plastic material, textures which may be obtained are only limited to the imagination and ingenuity of the plasterer or those directing the work.

Any number of methods can be used in the application, from special tools to the bare hands. Most effects, however, can be obtained by varying the manipulation of the ordinary trowel. With all of the colored portland cement stucco finishes, there is a written instruction covering the application of the float and dash finish coats.

It is advisable, if the builder or his plasterer has not had extensive recent experience with the application of colored stucco, for the builder to get in touch directly with the manufacturer of the portland cement stucco finish so he may thoroughly study the methods required to give the texture desired in a practical way at ordinary working speed. This is essential if he is to make a reasonable profit from his work and charge fair price to the building owner.

The manufacturers of portland cement stucco finishes will make up samples of colored stucco so that an exact color and texture may be chosen for the building under consideration. This sample can be retained and shown to the different plaster contractors, thereby allowing them to bid intelligently. What is more, these plaster contractors can also avail themselves of finish coat technique experience which is available at the manufacturers, so that they do not gamble in making their estimate.

Because of the extreme importance of these particular steps it might be well to

sum them up once more:

Each coat of plaster must dry thoroughly and be given all the time possible between coats in order that shrinkage and checking may take place before the next coat is applied.

The steel which serves as a reinforcement to the thin stucco slab should be near the center of the slab to give maximum strength and to receive maximum protection. It should be made continuous over the entire surface to be plastered by seeing that joints are well lapped and nailed or tied together. The steel should be thoroughly encased in the portland cement plaster so that there is a solid, unbroken coat of plaster back of this reinforcing as well as in front of it.

World's Largest Building to Be Erected in Boston

Blackall, Clapp and Whittemore and Charles Nelson Meserve, Architects—Densmore, LeClear and Robbins, Consulting Architects—Fay, Spofford and Thorndike and Charles R. Gow, Consulting Engineers—Fred. T. Ley Construction Company, Builders

GROUND was broken in January at Boston for construction of the world's largest building, which will cost \$21,000,000 when complete, will cover 130,000 feet of ground area and will be 25 stories high, with a center tower 300 feet in height. Some ten acres of the floor space will be occupied by a mammoth department store, one of the largest in the country, and the finest in America in point of equipment as well as time and labor saving devices. Five more floors above this will be given over to a permanent industrial exposition of New England industries, and a large exhibition hall. Above this will be offices, clear to the top floor of the tower.

Only a portion of the huge area of the first five floors will be used by the department store, but there will still be sufficient space left for at least 20 large specialty shops, restaurants, and other stores. W. J. McDonald, who promoted the Park Square Building, the sixth largest office

building in America, and up to now, Boston's largest building, is the active figure in the enterprise, which is backed by some of Boston's foremost business men and bankers. Mr. McDonald has been prominently identified with many of Boston's largest real estate developments of the past decade, and through him what is known as the Park Square District, once an abandoned railroad terminal and freight yard, has been developed until within the past five years alone over \$105,000,000 worth of property in building developments has been added to the wealth of Boston.

The plan is for the building to serve as New England's "Show Window"—a great display and sales headquarters for the myriad of New England industries. The structure will be known as the New England Building, and the department store, also backed by the same interests, as the New England Department Store, Inc. Preparations

leading up to the announcement of this huge building project have been in preparation for more than two years.

Its location is close to the new Statler Hotel, the Park Square building opposite, and one block from the Public Garden. The building will be connected with the subway system by an underground tunnel about two blocks long. There will be three basements, two of which will be devoted to parking space for some 3,000 to 5,000 automobiles daily, the owners of which drive in, leave their cars and then take elevators to the stores or offices above. The department store will also be connected by an underground tunnel with a warehouse located some distance away, from which goods will be brought by electric trucks to the basement of the store, when needed. The warehouse will also provide a remote delivery service that will help keep nearby streets free of traffic congestion. Another feature will be direct connection from the store by means of this tunnel and warehouse to the building's own spur track a few blocks away.

Because of the great area of the site selected for this building, which will be surrounded on four sides by broad streets, it has been possible for the architects to plan a building both modern and monumental in character, with a central tower reaching to a height of 300 feet, yet with less total cubic content than that permitted by Boston building height regulations for a building site of this size. Thus, the building gains greatly in distinction without having the skyscraper tendency to increase street congestion by concentrating too many people on a small ground area. It is estimated that when the building is fully occupied, its permanent population will be close to 20,000.

This building will surpass in total floor area all other buildings in the world, including such famous structures as the General Motors Building in Detroit, the Graybar, Telephone and Equitable Life Buildings in New York. It

will have a frontage of 272 feet on each of two streets and 476 feet on two others.

The exterior construction will probably be of light brick, with light stone trimmings. An idea at first was to have the entire outside construction of white Vermont marble, but owing to the flood destruction in that state, of railroad track and highways, as well as much industrial equipment, it was found impracticable to attempt this, as sufficient of the facing stone could not be delivered within the six months set as the time limit. Construction is to be completed within a year. Further details as to materials, equipment, etc., are to be announced later. Had it been possible to use marble for the facing, the building would have been wondrously beautiful. As it is, the architecture is of a most impressive style, whether viewed close at hand or from a distance. In such a building as this, plumbing, wiring, heating pipes and finish will be measured in terms of "mileage" rather than footage.

Fred. T. Ley, president of the Fred. T. Ley Construction Company, Springfield, is one of the directors of the project, and will handle the general construction contract. W. J. McDonald is president of the New England Building, Inc., and headquarters, until the building is completed, have been established in the Metropolitan Building, another McDonald promotion. The architects are Blackall, Clapp & Whittemore, and Charles Nelson Meserve. Consulting architects are Densmore, LeClear & Robbins; consulting engineers, Fay, Spofford & Thorndike and Charles R. Gow.

With the great developments in this district during the past five years, the New England Building, the new \$10,000,000 Boston & Maine Terminal, replacing the old North Station, the Printers' Building and a number of others, Boston will have added close to a quarter of a million dollars worth of new structures of large size to her improvements in less than a decade. F. N. HOLLINGSWORTH, A. N. S.



This Picture Shows How the World's Largest Building Will Look on Completion. It is now under construction in Boston and will cost \$21,000,000. The ground area of the site contains 130,000 square feet and the building will be 25 stories in height and contain a permanent population of 20,000 people.

A Business Builder Builds Homes

Man Power, in the Person of G. P. Blackiston of Canton, Ohio
(and Elsewhere) Has Produced Marvels

MOST of us, in our own profession or specific line of work, have about as much as we can comfortably attend to.

But when a man, holding down forty-two individual positions with as many firms in various sections of the country, adds, as his hobby, the jobs of architect, builder, contractor and owner of large buildings, we begin to wonder whether we are really in high or low gear.

An analysis of the methods employed by this individual may be of interest—if not a stimulant to many of us.

G. P. Blackiston is the name of this demon for work.

Characteristic to his reputation of being unusually original, he has his winter offices in the centrally located city of Canton, Ohio, and his summer offices on the cool and picturesque shore of Lake Waramaug, Conn.

He is employed as sales promotion manager of 42 large, well-known individual manufacturers, each in a different line of business. He has his office and department in each, be they in Chicago, Detroit, Boston, New York, Birmingham or St. Louis.

He knows every salesman of every firm and works hand in hand with them. He paves the way—secures a request for an interview for each—follows up their calls—makes their calls productive.

When asked how he could do all this with the ease with which he does, his reply was:

"Know what you want to do and do it. Harness system—drive it—never handle a subject or a piece of paper a second time. Dispose of it then and there. Use originality—do things differently—eliminate competition. Do everything thoroughly."

So thoroughly does he do his work that he has no contract with his employers and has worked for many of them for fifteen and sixteen years.

But in order to keep his mind fresh and away from his regular line of work, and being mechanically inclined, he bought properties up in Connecticut and began to build with his own hands attractively designed log cabins.

He hewed the logs, snaked them to the job, built the houses, wired them himself, did the plumbing, painting, built the fireplaces and furnished them completely.

He then rented them to the rich New Yorkers for summer lodges.

So profitable and interesting did this become that he began to make a business of it and today his real estate division is known as the Blackistons (for no better name).

He has his architectural draftsman, his engineer, foreman and maintains a building crew the year around.

Mr. Blackiston attends to every detail of this business, lays out the details of every building, oversees the designing, makes up all specifications, buys all the materials, employs all the men, personally superintends every job, rents all the buildings and oversees their maintenance.

And this as a side issue—it not being his regular line of work.

He has just finished the very unusual, complete and

attractive La Casa Bonita Apartments in Canton—a very exclusive, high priced, Spanish apartment.

In spite of the fact that every apartment building in that city has many empty apartments, through the live wire, systematic personal methods employed by Mr. Blackiston, everything is rented in La Casa Bonita.

The Blackistons have just completed plans for a very remarkable building in Canton, consisting of garages in the basement, 12 stores on the first floor, two floors of offices, three floors of apartments and one floor of club rooms.

It is a brick and cement structure—fireproof throughout—of Americanized Spanish architecture—known as the Blackiston type of architecture, due to its individualism.

Mr. Blackiston has a most complete file on buildings and building materials.

Living for a few months in each of his own buildings, he claims, is of great value to him, as he is able to notice every detail.

As a result he has eliminated items not noticed by the average builder, but which are appreciated by the average tenant when eliminated.

As an example—the noise in closing a casement window using the average standard adjustments—the click of the average toggle switch, etc., etc.

Elimination of sound is another of Mr. Blackiston's hobbies and studies.

He carries on extensive tests for killing of sound in water pipes, in walls, floors, etc.

In short he possibly goes into the subject as deeply, if not more so, than the average builder and architect.

He claims it requires about two days to completely design and make all necessary drawings for a large building.

La Casa Bonita Apartment

What is said to be the most complete, modern and unique apartment in America is found in Canton, Ohio.

It was designed and built for a definite type of patron—the wealthy couple (without children) or individual who wishes a real home with none of the ties and inconveniences.

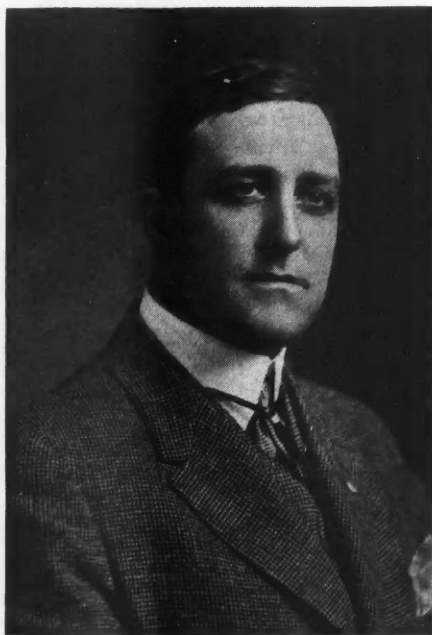
Naturally it had to be unusually rich, beautiful and modern to the extreme to appeal to this class of patrons.

It is built on a corner—the side street having quite a grade while the front faces on the street which is level. Mr. Blackiston, the designer, builder and owner, accordingly turned this otherwise unfavorable condition into an asset by placing his garages in the basement.

The apartment consists of four suites of five rooms and bath, a lobby, large, well lighted and airy laundry and lockers, an extra or overflow guest room and a garage for five cars.

The building is of fireproof construction—steel, tile and cement being the materials from which it has been built.

As can be noted from the cuts, the general appearance of the exterior is that of a Spanish home—not the usual apartment. However, each apartment has two porches with attractive French doors opening onto them.



G. P. Blackiston, Builder of Businesses and Builder of Homes.

You enter the attractive lobby with its striking Spanish benches, flower stands and chairs. On the wall is a very striking fountain—the floors are of impressive tile, the walls and ceilings are arched to a central point—the finish being rough, artistically tinted plaster.

The doorway to the stairs is up two steps, where there is a landing or inner vestibule from which the stairs begin and the entrance to the other lower floor apartment opens.

The banister is a colorful red silk rope cord attached to the artistic walls by brass rings. In the risers of the curved cement stairs are carelessly inserted here and there unusually colorful odd tiles—giving the whole a most foreign atmosphere.

At the top of the stairs in the center of the wall is inserted a large round colorful Spanish coat-of-arms. On each side of the landing—up one step—are the arched doors to the respective apartments.

The individual apartments are romantic to the extreme—a sight of which one never tires.

The entrance is into the living room with its rough plaster effect, artistically painted in tones of warmth and personality.

The quaint, truly foreign fireplace of cement with its raised and oddly shaped hearth is located on the inner walls. Large French doors open onto the balconies or porches and the especially large casement windows give unusual light into this interior. A generous sized guest closet is also provided for.

The doorways as well as windows are unusual in their treatment—no visible casing being present—the walls bulging or curving in an original and striking manner to form a beautiful setting for the doors or windows.

Each window is provided with the invisible roll fly screen.

The lighting fixtures are unusually original, being forged iron wall brackets extending from the baseboard up the wall in graceful twists and opening into a most attractive spear-pointed fixture.

The floors are cork, laid to represent old-fashioned plank floors with the nail pegs visible and with a colorful tile roughly placed here and there.

The bedrooms (one of which is a corner outside room) have large windows and closets. They, like the rest of the house,

are finished in the rough plaster effect except that a very unusual treatment, an invention of Mrs. Blackiston, is given the bedrooms. The walls curve or blend into the ceiling—no rail or rope being used. The floors are cork tile with the old-fashioned plank effect.

The bathrooms are most colorful—a different color effect being used in each—one is an old rose, another green, another yellow, etc.

The doors from the respective bedrooms open in the center of both sides. On one end back of the doors and away from the window is the built-in bath with tile to the ceiling. Contrasting colored moire bath curtains against the brilliant colored tile makes a most striking effect.

On the side towards the window are the pedestal and toilet. Large imported Venetian glass mirrored medicine cabinet is above the pedestal.

All the bath accessories are in black tile.

A utility electric socket is beside the pedestal.

This half of the room is tiled only four feet—the remainder of the rough plastered wall being beautifully tinted to harmonize with the color of the tile. A very unusual arch effect separates this section of the bathroom.

A large linen closet is artistically provided for in the hall back of the bathroom. A sanitary clothes chute to the respective lockers in the laundry is also provided for in a concealed manner in the hall opposite the entrance to the bedrooms.

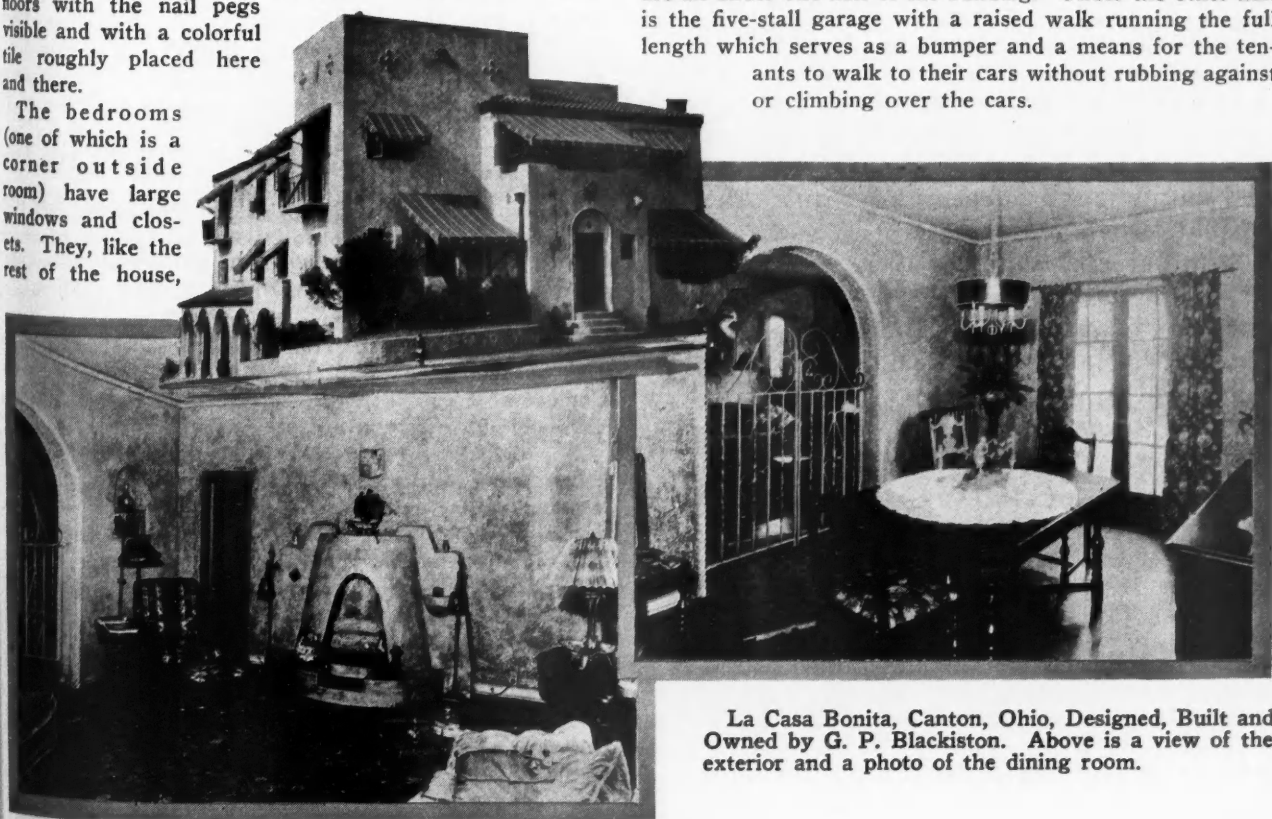
In the basement are four very large lockers, each having a window in it. A scientific, airy and bright laundry is provided with gas clothes dryers, three tray tubs, etc.

The central refrigerating compressor is also in the basement, which is laid off for all the mechanical devices such as the incinerator, automatic water heater, water softener and the gas-burning vacuum heating plant.

A toilet for a maid is also provided.

An extra bedroom completely furnished for overflow guests with private toilet is also provided for the convenience and comfort of the tenants.

An extra garage is supplied for the same purpose. These are all under one-half of the building. Under the other half is the five-stall garage with a raised walk running the full length which serves as a bumper and a means for the tenants to walk to their cars without rubbing against or climbing over the cars.



La Casa Bonita, Canton, Ohio, Designed, Built and Owned by G. P. Blackiston. Above is a view of the exterior and a photo of the dining room.

View of the Living Room with Its Specially Designed Fireplace.

COLORKEED HOMES

FOR STYLE AND VALUE



A Free Information Service for Home Planners and Home Builders

THE ColorKeed Home Plans presented in this magazine have many special points of excellence which are of particular importance and timeliness to those of our readers who right now are facing the home building question—with its joys and its problems.

We illustrate these home designs and show the room arrangements, but our space for description is so limited that we are not able to cover all points. We know there is much additional information desired by subscribers about to build, which would be very valuable to them. Since we have all data pertaining to these ColorKeed Homes, both in this current issue and in previous issues of the *American Builder*, we are glad to offer our readers a free service of information, whether questions pertain to the estimated cost, the method of construction, suitable materials to use, special equipment or features, or any other information whatsoever.

Limited space in the magazine prevents publishing all this information; but if you will write *American Builder Home Planning Service*, 1827 Prairie Ave., Chicago, we will be very glad to give you direct by mail any information desired.



1928 Prospects Bright Say Dealers

BETTER conditions in the construction field for 1928 are indicated in opinions of 1,663 building supply dealers, in 11 Middle Western and Northwestern states. These dealers replied to inquiries sent out at the beginning of the spring building season by the Universal Portland Cement Company, of Chicago, giving their opinions as to the construction outlook.

The dealers' replies, tabulated by classes of construction, show a uniform tendency to anticipate improvement in farm construction. In eight of the 11 states dealers feel that general increases in residential building of all kinds are assured. They expect little change in volume of commercial, industrial and public building construction.

Dealers consider prospects good for an increase in the amount of highway paving done in 1928 as compared with 1927. They expect highway construction and increased farm business to more than offset slight decreases seen in street and alley paving.

On the whole, the replies mirror an optimistic feeling. The dealers report that they are prepared for a 1928 which promises a total volume of construction business equaling or exceeding last year. ✦

Increase in the Sale of Insulating Boards

THE consumption of rigid insulating boards is increasing rapidly, as indicated by a survey conducted by the Department of Research in Lumber Retailing, Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, and the Ohio Association of Retail Lumber Dealers, which finances this department at Antioch. The survey covered the Central States, in part.

In this territory, basing the figures on the total number of dealers reporting, only 32½ per cent handled insulating board in 1925, 60 per cent in 1926 and 72 per cent in 1927. In addition a small percentage of those reporting have placed orders for 1928. Therefore the year 1928 will show another increase. These figures show an increase of 83 per cent from 1925 to 1926, and an increase of 30 per cent from 1926 to 1927, and an increase of 144 per cent from 1925 to 1927.

The volume of insulating boards sold from 1925-1927 exhibits a steady increase; for taking the number of square feet handled in 1925 at 100, then the figures 148 and 208 represent the volume of sales for 1926 and 1927, respectively. The increase from 1926 to 1927 was 48 per cent. Again, if 100 represents the number of dealers handling rigid insulating boards in 1925, 183 and 244 represent the number of dealers reporting handling insulating board in 1926 and 1927, respectively.

The returns also show that in localities where complete figures were furnished and where in 1925 only a small percentage of the retail dealers in business were handling insulation and where in succeeding years additional dealers had taken on the new line no falling off in any case was indicated, showing that generally as the number of dealers handling the product increased the business in insulating boards kept apace. As a whole the average amount sold per dealer has shown no increase. The reason for this is no doubt due to the fact that in 1925 the dealers reporting were located in large cities while in 1927 the country yards with a small consumption had taken on the product.

Retail lumber dealers as a class are not unfavorable to the handling and use of wall boards, although there is a small minority of dissenting voices who hold to lumber. This class is rapidly disappearing.



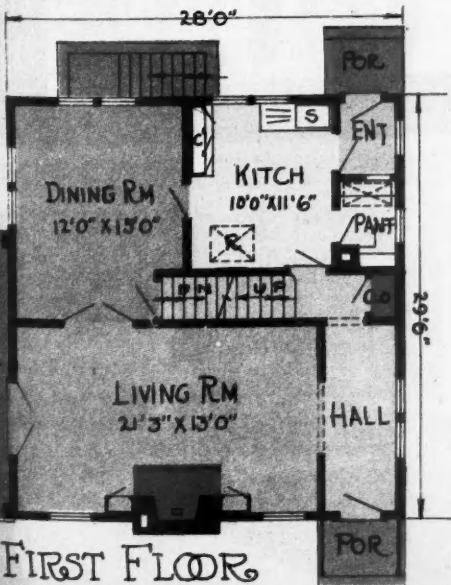
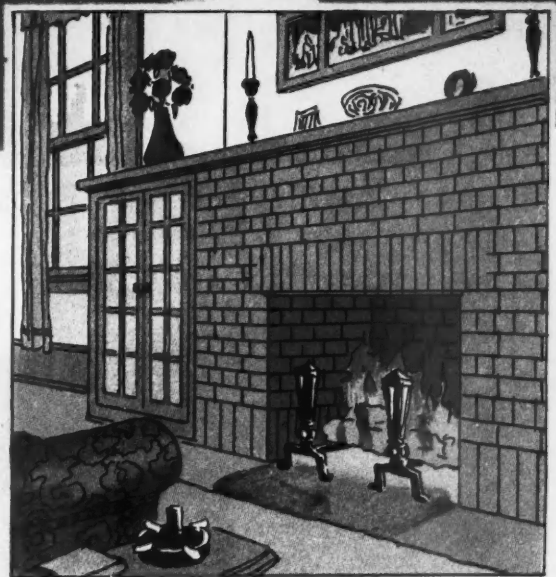
COLORKEED HOME PLANS

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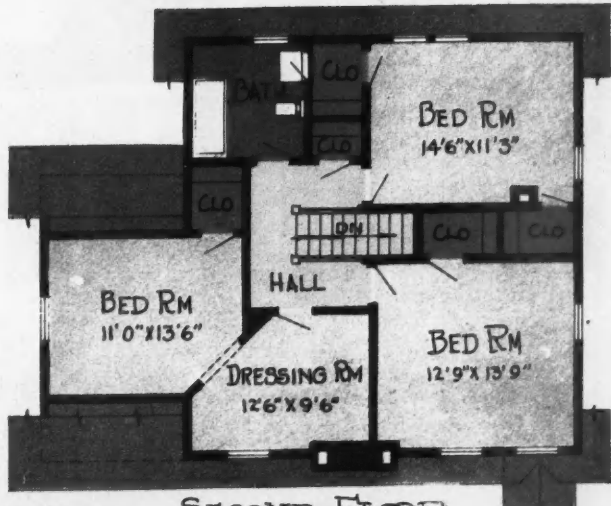
The SALISBURY

THE wide white clapboard siding, the prominent fireplace chimney and the interesting roof of the Salisbury combine to make this an unusual-attractive design. On the first floor are the living room, the dining room and the efficiently arranged kitchen. On the second floor are three unusually attractive bedrooms, one of them with large dressing room. This is compact, economical home measuring 28x29½ feet not counting the open porch projection.

The color sketch to right gives an idea of the attractiveness of the showcase-flanked fireplace in the living room.



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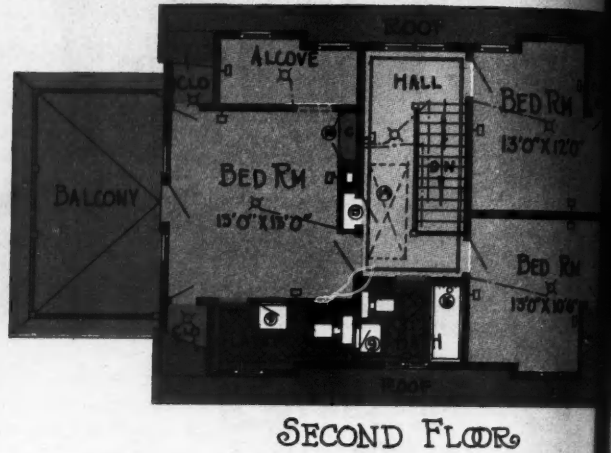
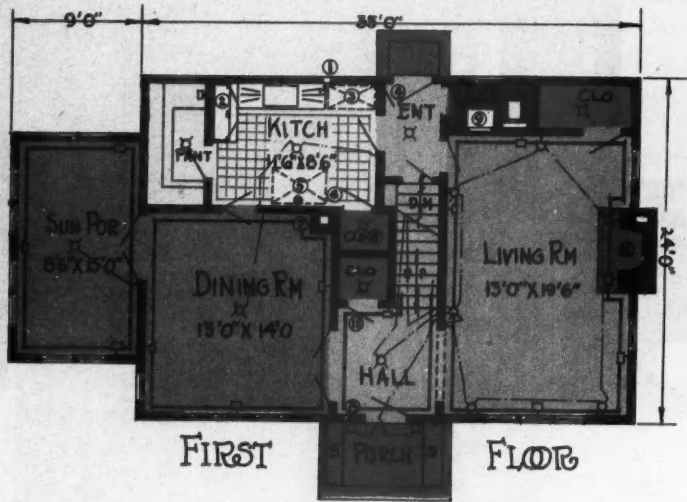
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The SARATOGA

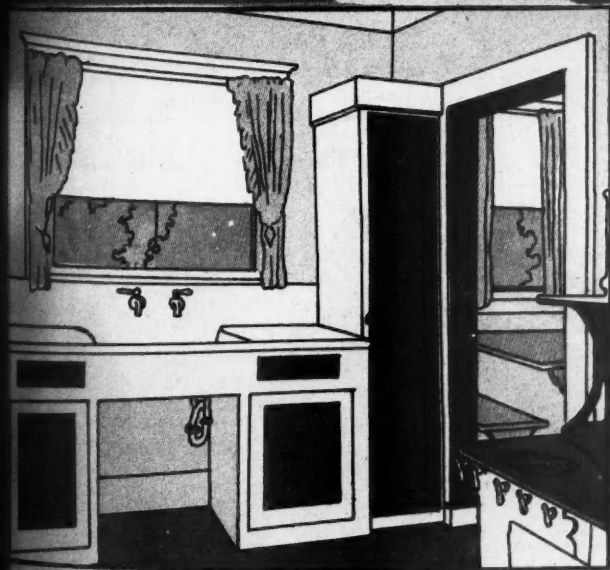
A PRETTY Colonial design with roof dormer of a distinctive and "different" sort. Six rooms, sun parlor and bath, besides numerous closets, lavatories, pantries, etc., are provided in this home 24x35 feet.

Key to Equipment

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| ① Ventilating Fan | ⑭ Built-in Mail Box | Coal Chute |
| ② Kitchen Cabinet | ⑮ Disappearing Stairs to Attic | Heating Plant |
| ③ Mechanical Refrigerator | ⑯ Linen Closet | Oil Burner |
| ④ Package Receiver | ⑰ Tub Shower | Water Supply System |
| ⑤ Gas or Electric Range | ⑱ Weatherstrips | Hot Water Supply |
| ⑥ Incinerator | ⑲ Storm Sash | Water Softener |
| ⑦ Thermostat | ⑳ Screens | Radiant Gas Heaters |
| ⑧ Broom Closet | ㉑ Lighting Fixtures | Electric Wall Type Heaters |
| ⑨ Medicine Case | ㉒ Convenience Outlets | Case ment Win-dows |
| ⑩ Wardrobe | ㉓ Electric Panel | Dishwashing Sink |
| ⑪ Fireplace Throat and Damper | ㉔ Washing Machine | Automatic Cellar Drainer |
| ⑫ Mirrored Door | ㉕ Clothes Dryer | |
| | ㉖ Radiator Covers or Furniture | |



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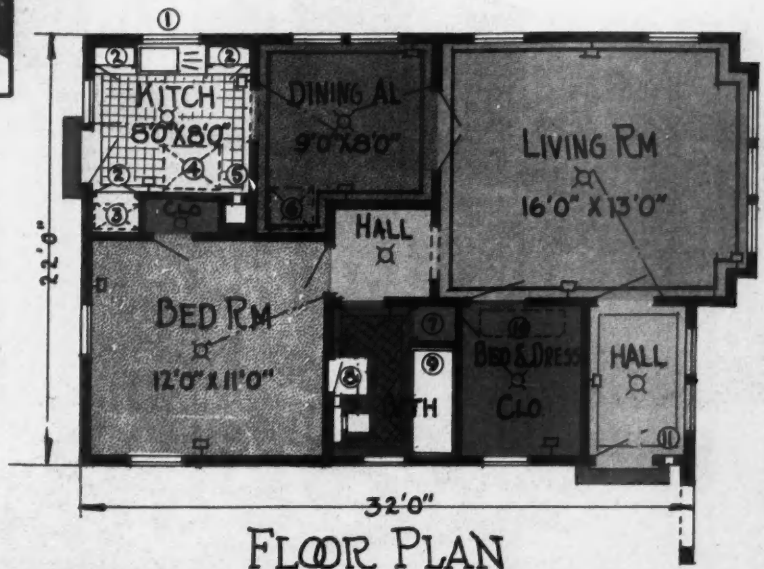


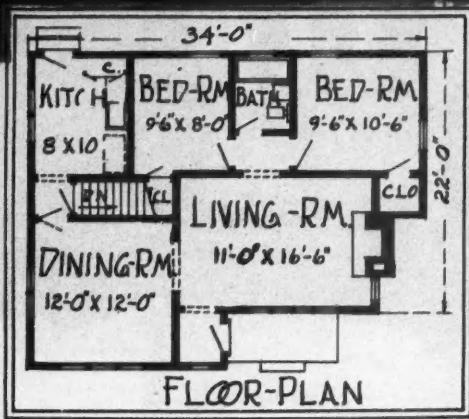
The SAN JOSE

A CLEVER shingled cottage, *multum in parvo*, much in a little space, both of good looks and livable convenience. The disappearing bed in the living room with attached dressing closet provides an extra bedroom. Color sketch to left suggests the cheerful and convenient kitchen in this home.

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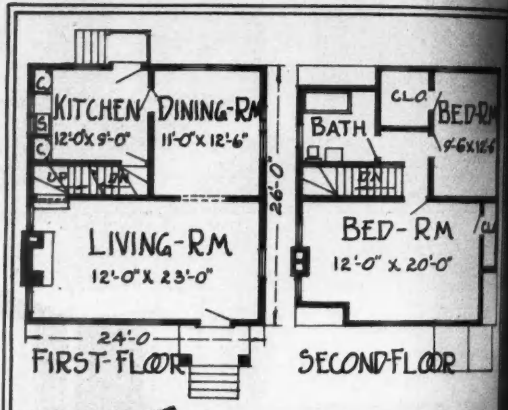
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| ① Ventilating Fan | Electric Panel |
| ② Kitchen Cabinets | Washing Machine |
| ③ Refrigerator | Ironing Machine |
| ④ Gas or Electric Range | Clothes Dryer |
| ⑤ Built-in Incinerator | Coal Chute |
| ⑥ Cabinet Heater | Heating Plant |
| ⑦ Linen Closet | Oil Burner |
| ⑧ Medicine Case | Water Supply System |
| ⑨ Tub Shower | Hot Water Supply |
| ⑩ Concealed Bed | Water Softener |
| ⑪ Built-in Mail Box | Radiant Gas Heaters |
| Weatherstrips | Electric Wall Type |
| Storm Sash | Heaters |
| Screens | Casement Windows |
| Lighting Fixtures | Dishwashing Sink |
| Convenience Outlets | Automatic Cellar Drainer |
| | Radiator Covers or Furniture |





The PORTLAND

Below and to the right are perspective view and floor plans of a low cost Colonial home; 24 by 26 feet.

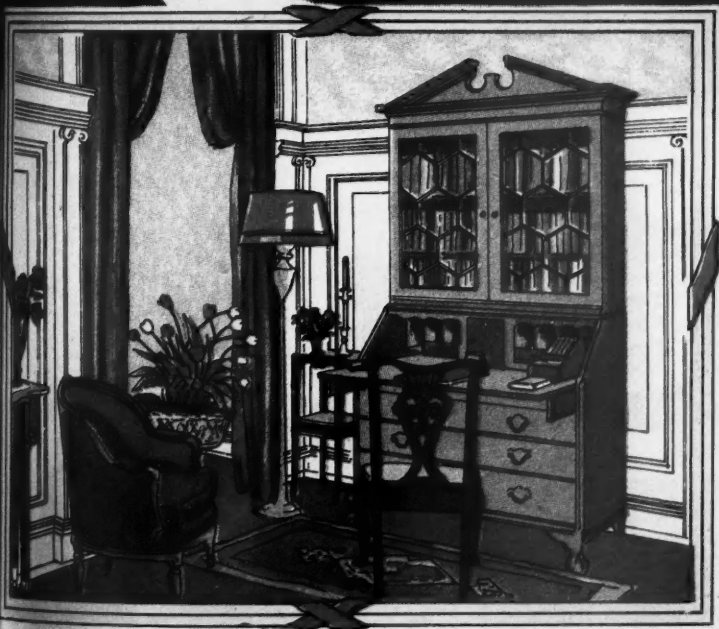


The PROVIDENCE

Above is a delightful stucco design of five rooms and bath; 22 by 34 feet.

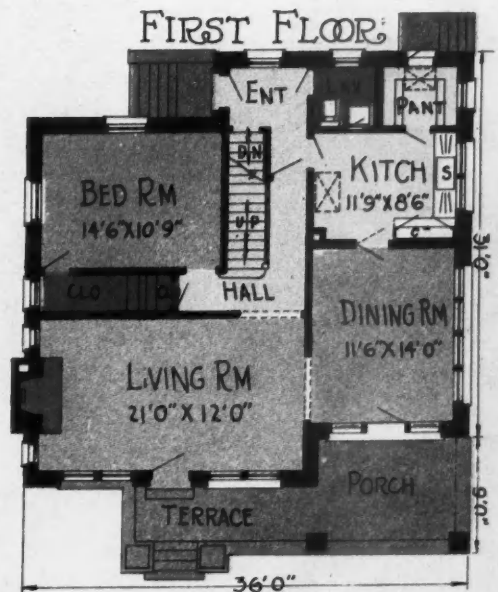
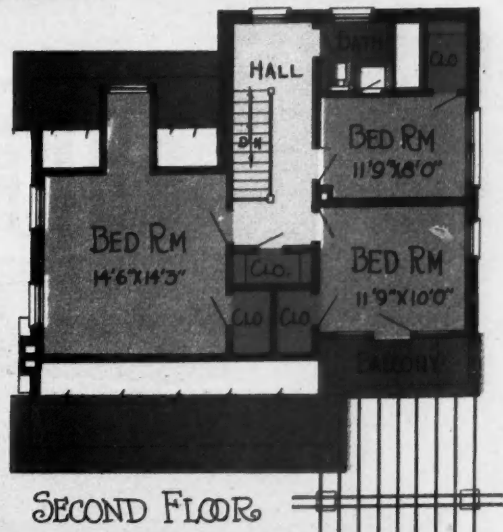


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The SAVONA

THIS popular stucco home of seven rooms has many good points. A graceful arched canopy over the front door and the pergola porch to the right make this home decidedly artistic and attractive. Seven rooms and bath are contained in the 31x36 feet which this house occupies. The downstairs bedroom is a well liked feature of this design.



ABOVE is illustrated a furnishing and decorating suggestion appropriate to this home. The view is a glimpse of the living room showing a very interesting antique desk of Colonial style against a background of Colonial paneling.

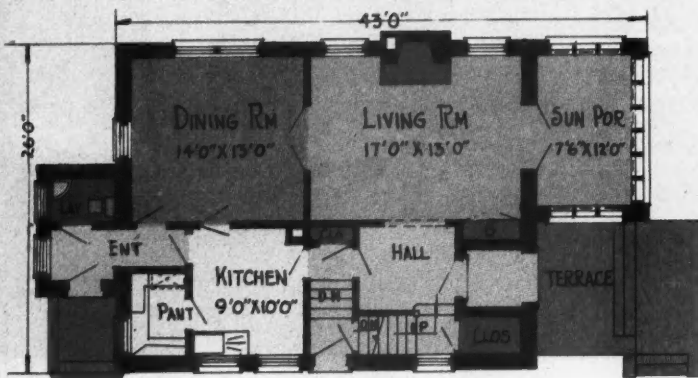


The SCARBORO

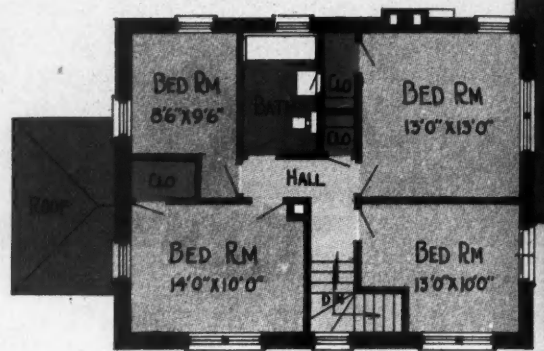
HERE is a substantial brick residence of the square hip-roof type, 26 feet wide x 34 feet deep. Within these main lines of the house are contained the seven rooms illustrated in the Color Plans below. Then in addition there are projection front and rear on the first floor to accommodate a sun porch and the rear entrance.

Color sketch to left gives a glimpse of the living room looking through toward the sun parlor which is perhaps one of the most delightful features of this house.

The construction is sturdy and substantial and the lines of this house are so compact that there is no wasted expense in construction.



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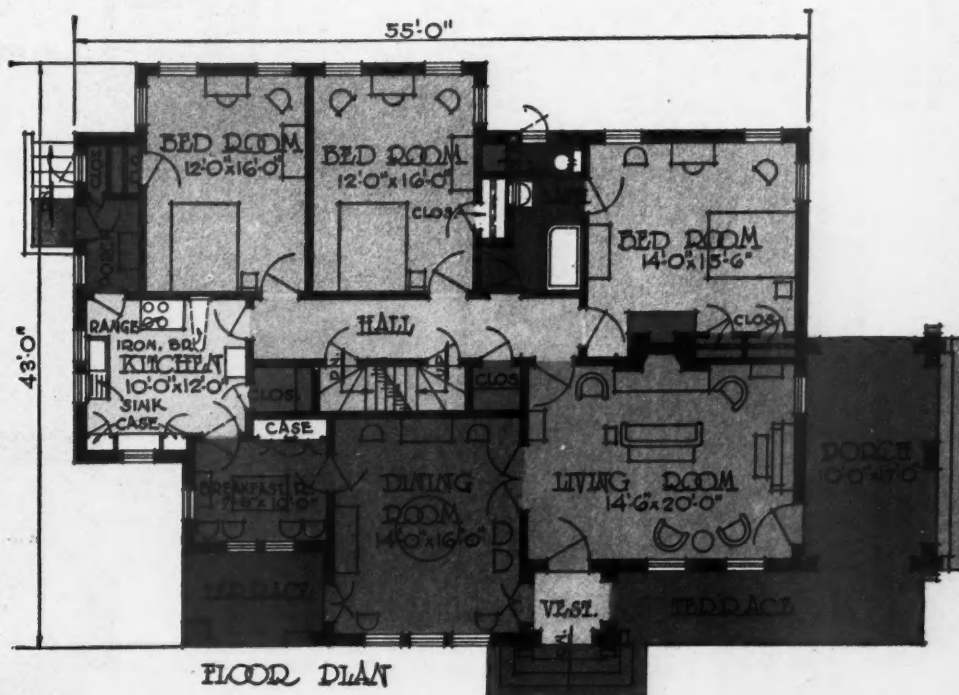
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The SEDGWICK

HERE is a beautiful example of the trend toward a richer and more substantial type of American home building. It is a residence of quarry-run Indiana limestone designed and built for Mr. Chas. A. Rushin, Macon, Ga. The stone is laid random ashlar and presents a variety of soft color tones ranging from buff to blue.

This house contains six rooms besides breakfast room, bath, hall and numerous closets on the main floor, with some usable space upstairs. The style is English Tudor. The construction uses a masonry wall of common brick or other inexpensive building units with a four-inch veneer of the limestone for the exterior. Contractors and builders are finding that this construction and material make a house costing only a little more.



SAWED finish Indiana limestone as used in this house is the cheapest finish and for this type of work is best. The rough sawed finish is the surface left just as it comes from the saws at the quarry. A surface of this character has considerable texture and is usually laid in random ashlar or coursed ashlar. It gives a surface of great character presenting an interesting play of light and shade.

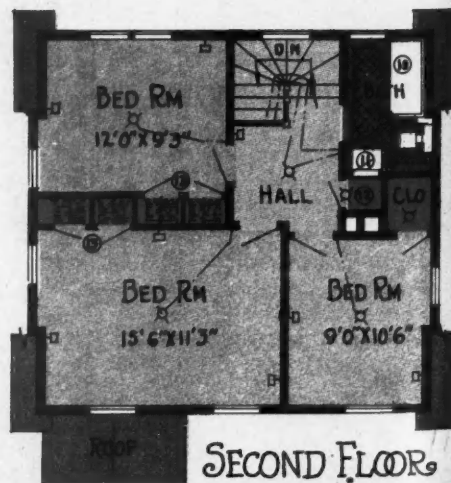
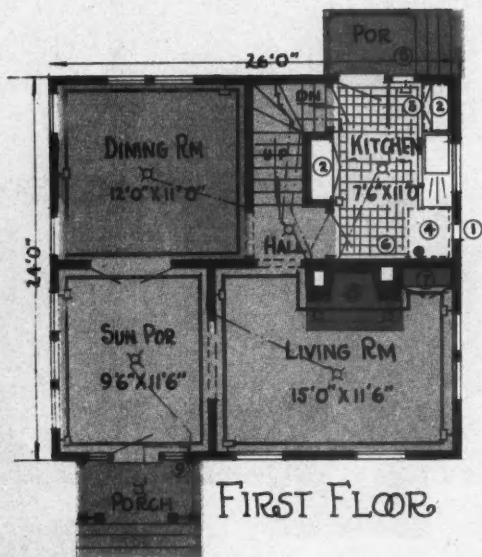
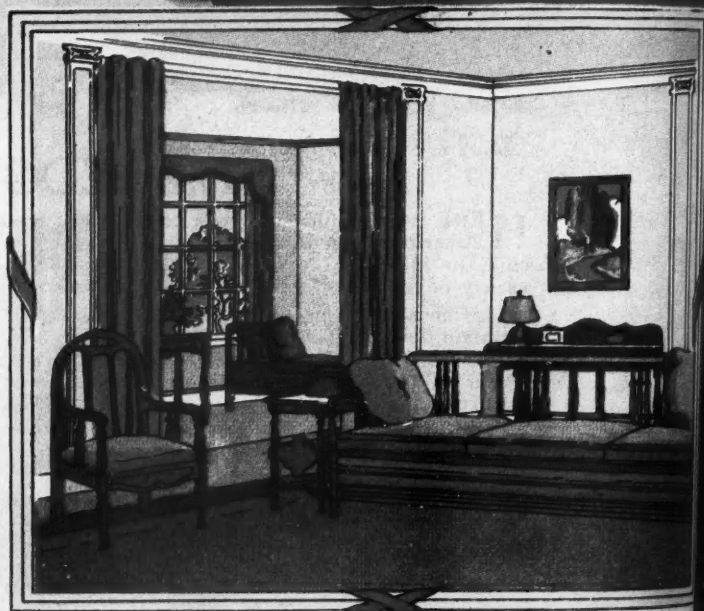


The SELWYN

An American Colonial type of seven rooms in 24x26 feet.

Key to Equipment

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| ① Ventilating Fan | ⑭ Space-Saving Wardrobes | Heating Plant |
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| ⑩ Shower Bath | ㉓ Coal Chute | Automatic Cellar Drainer |
| ⑪ Medicine Case | ㉔ Radiator Covers or Furniture | |
| ⑫ Linen Closet | | |



Six-Room

OUR FRONT COVER HOME



A Typical Modern House Design Providing Six Rooms and a Two Car Garage Built as an Integral Part of the House

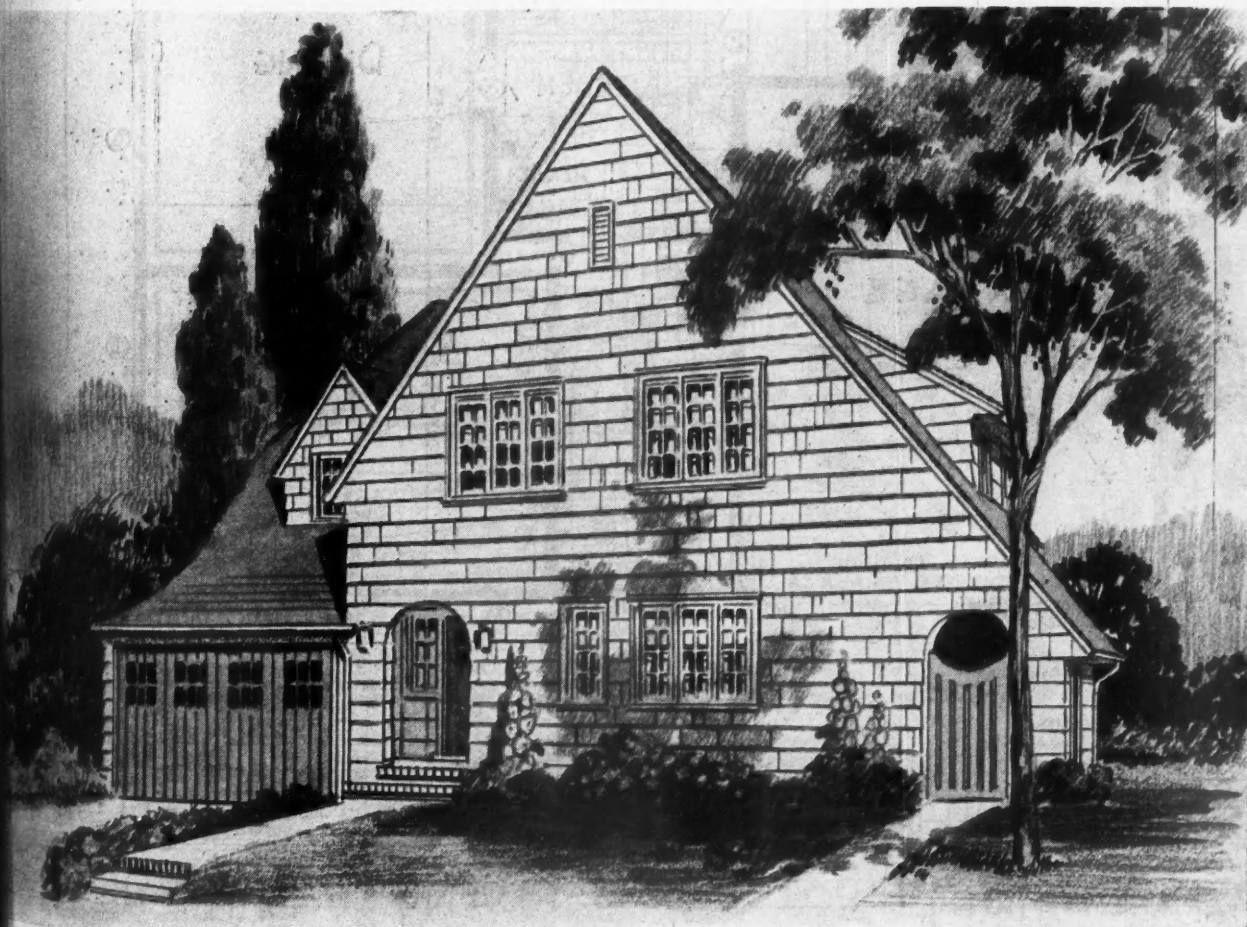
A TYPICAL modern home,—that is a term which may quite properly be applied to the design which serves this month as Our Front Cover Home. There are several points about this design which are taken into consideration in applying this term. In the first place, the exterior is distinctively individual and architecturally correct and beautiful. The lines are well balanced, the various elements, windows, doors, wall finish and so on are harmonious. Also the house is suited to its location.

This is not a large house, merely of the average six-room size, but gives the impression of greater size than it actually has. This is because the garage has been made a part of the house in a skillful manner and the roof has been projected over the walk at the right. The house is designed to fit a wide but shallow lot. The useful floor space is

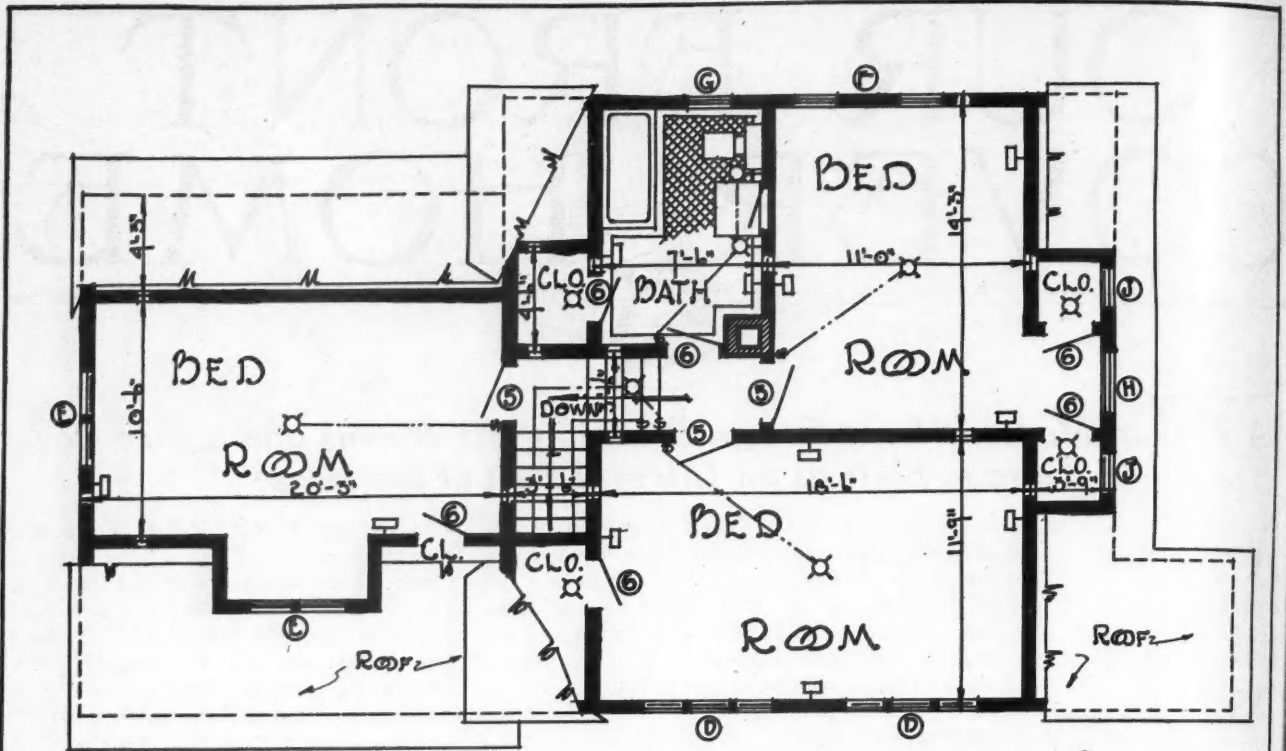
large in proportion to the dimensions because of the efficiently compact arrangement.

Beyond this the house is fully equipped with every modern convenience so that even the small kitchen is ample for the purpose for which it is intended. This point of equipment is one of primary importance in the modern home and the various items noted on the plans will be found worthy of considerable study. These plans are reproduced to scale on the four pages that follow this and they tell the complete story of this typical home in a graphic manner.

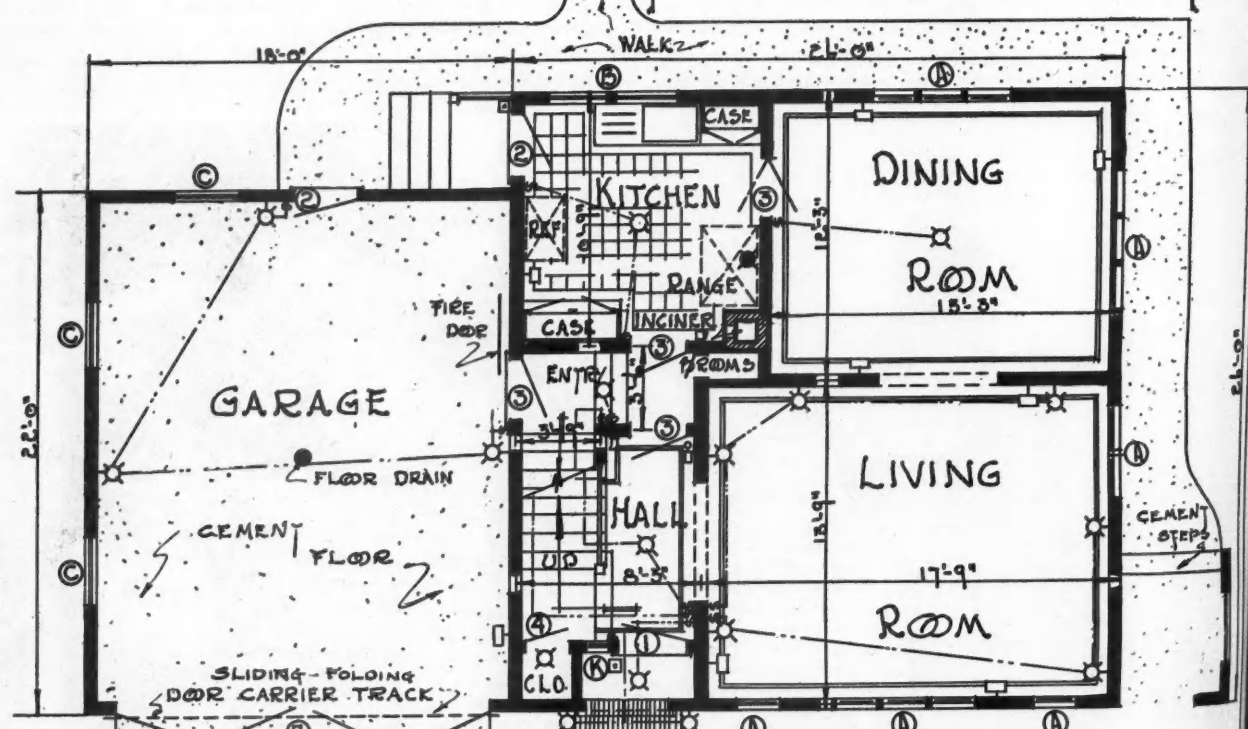
From these plans the experienced builder can reproduce this house with whatever modifications may be demanded by the prospective owner or he may build a home which will be readily salable because of its strong appeal to that large group of buyers who wish a new home already built.



Six-Room House Design, Typically Modern in Every Detail Down to the Smallest Items of Labor Saving Equipment, Is Presented Here and in the Plans To Be Found on the Pages Following This.



SECOND-FLOOR-PLAN

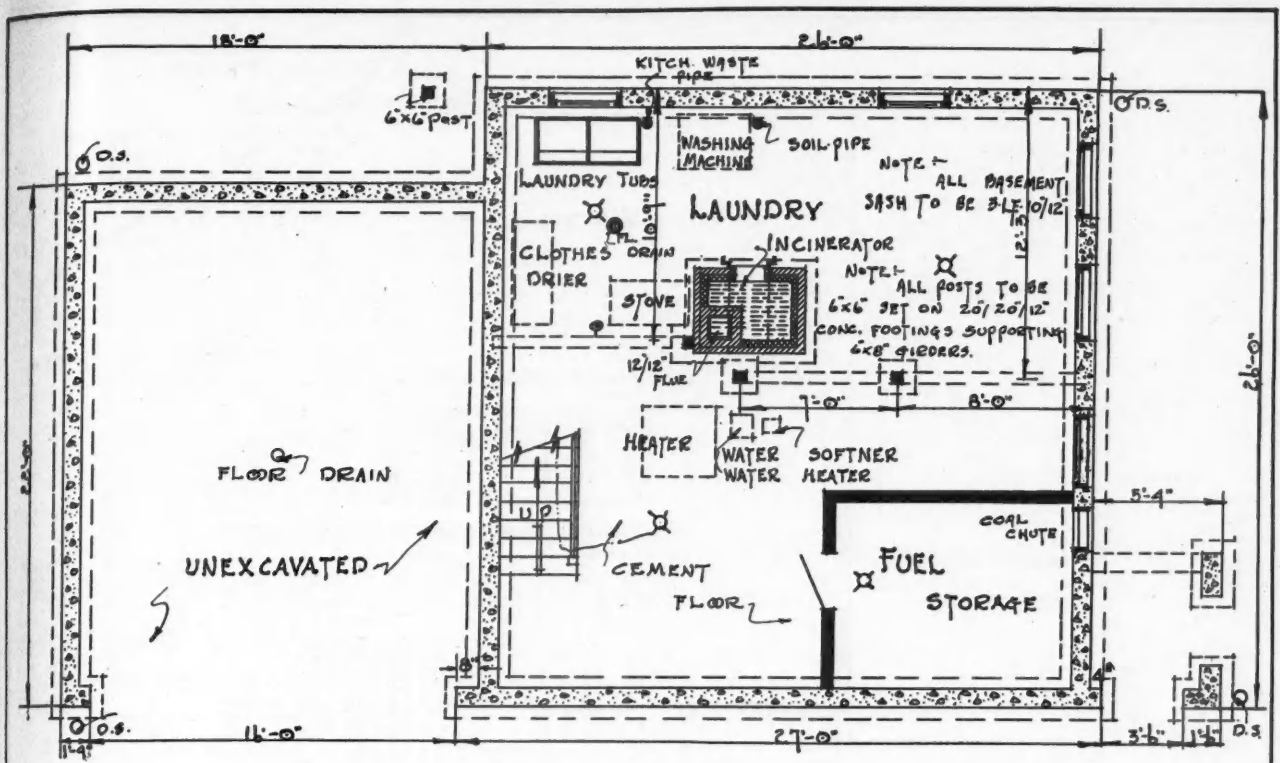


DOOR & WINDOW SCHEDULE

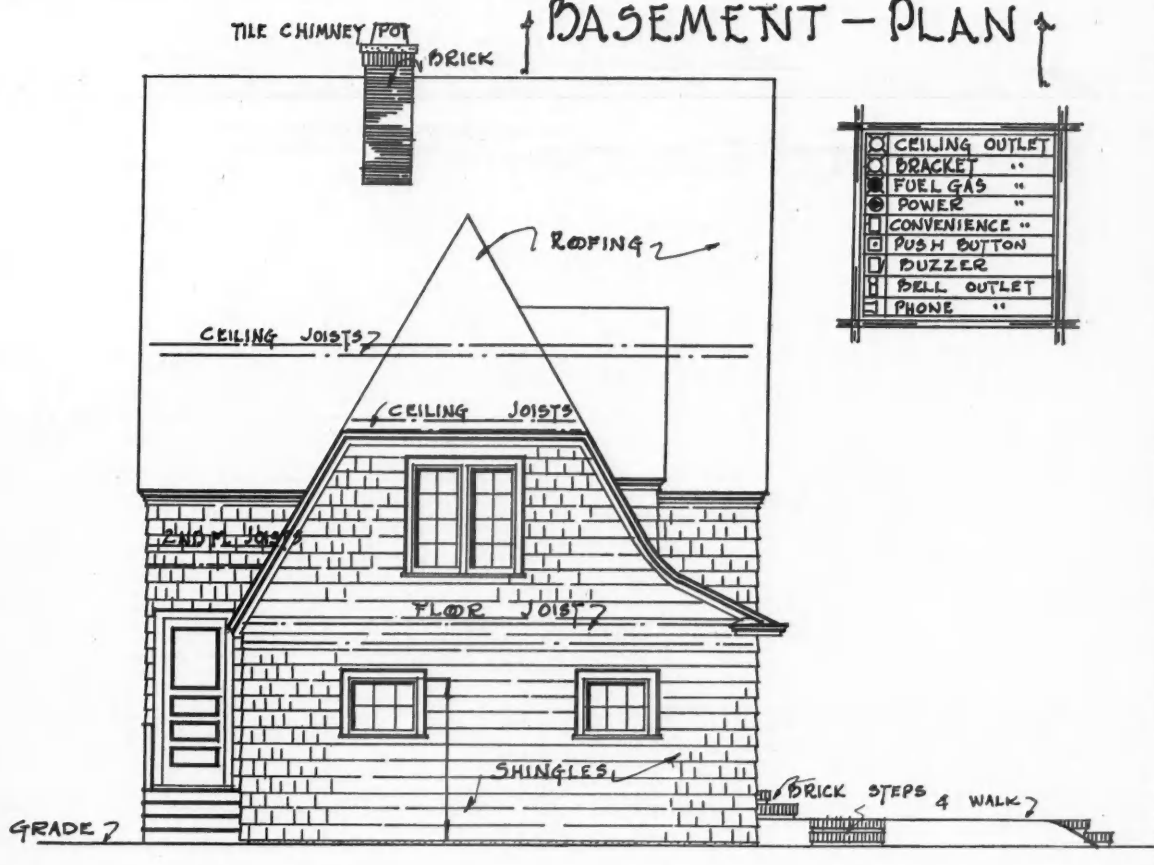
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|---|---------------|---------|-----------------|---|----------------|
| 1 | 3'-0" x 7'-0" | 7 | 4'-0" x 8'-0" | E | 1LT 18/40 DIV. |
| 2 | 2'-8" x 7'-0" | WINDOWS | | F | 2LT 18/24 " |
| 3 | 2'-6" x 7'-0" | A | 1LT 18/52" DIV. | G | 2LT 18/20 " |
| 4 | 2'-0" x 7'-0" | B | 2LT 26/14 " | H | 2LT 26/16 " |
| 5 | 2'-6" x 6'-8" | C | 1LT 30/26 " | J | 1LT 16/32 " |
| 6 | 2'-4" x 6'-8" | D | 1LT 16/48 " | K | 1LT 18/30 " |

SCALE 1/8" = 1'-0" FIRST-FLOOR-PLAN SHEET NO.-1.

Except for the Third Bedroom, All of the House Proper Is Enclosed Within a Space 26 Feet Square and Yet, Because of the Compact Design, Our Front Cover Home Is Ample for Every Purpose.



BASEMENT - PLAN



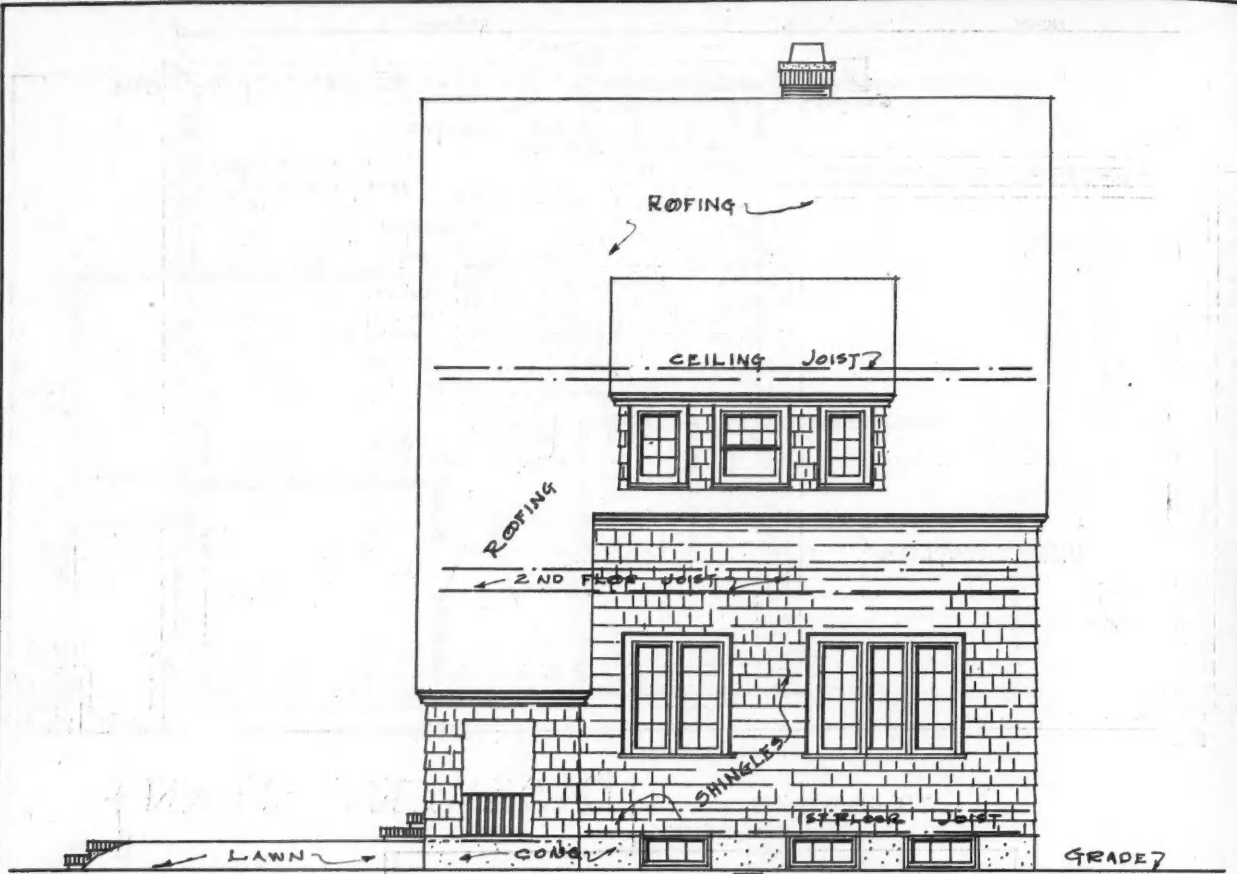
LEFT - SIDE - ELEVATION

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| ○ | CEILING OUTLET |
| ○ | BRACKET " |
| ● | FUEL GAS " |
| ● | POWER " |
| □ | CONVENIENCE " |
| □ | PUSH BUTTON |
| □ | BUZZER |
| □ | BELL OUTLET |
| □ | PHONE " |

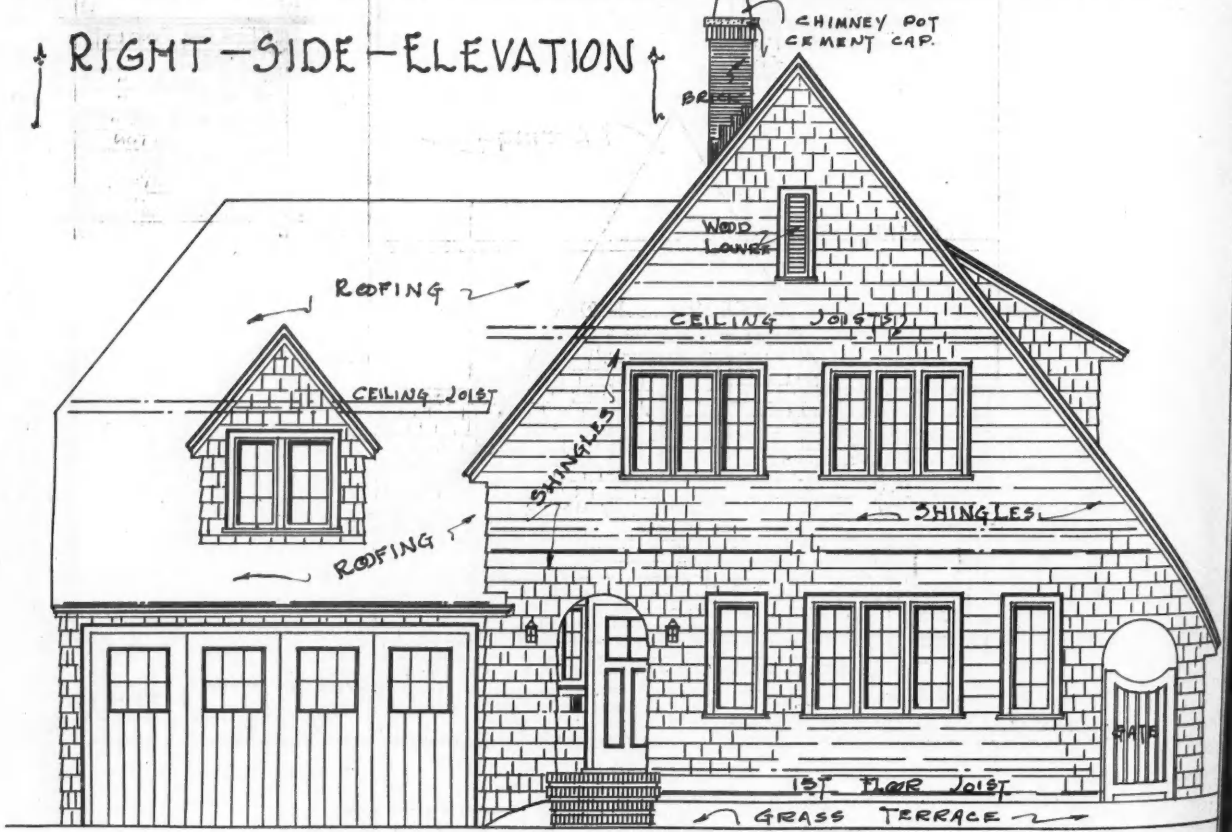
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SHEET NO.-2.

Here We See That Even the Basement Plan Is Carefully Thought Out and the Side Elevation, Together with Those on the Following Pages, Helps Us to Visualize the Finished House.



RIGHT-SIDE-ELEVATION

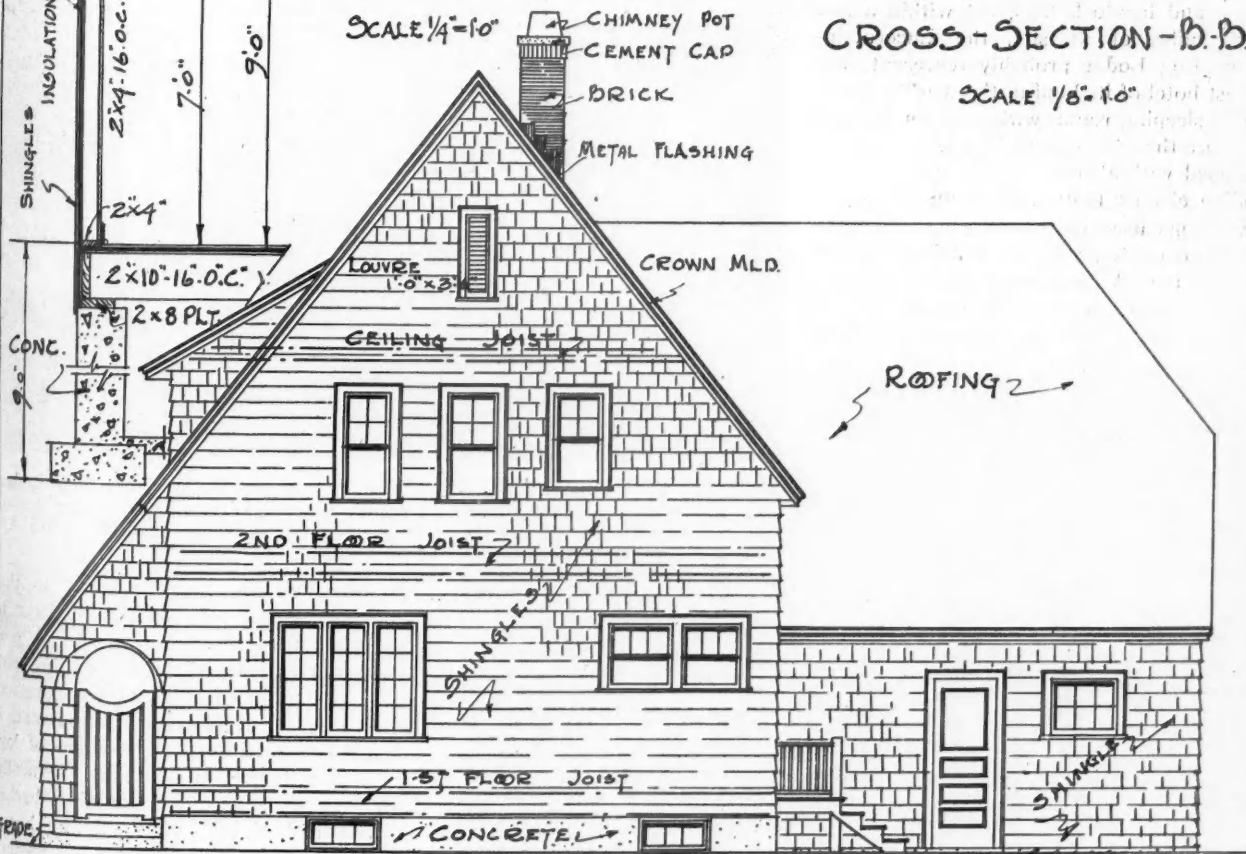
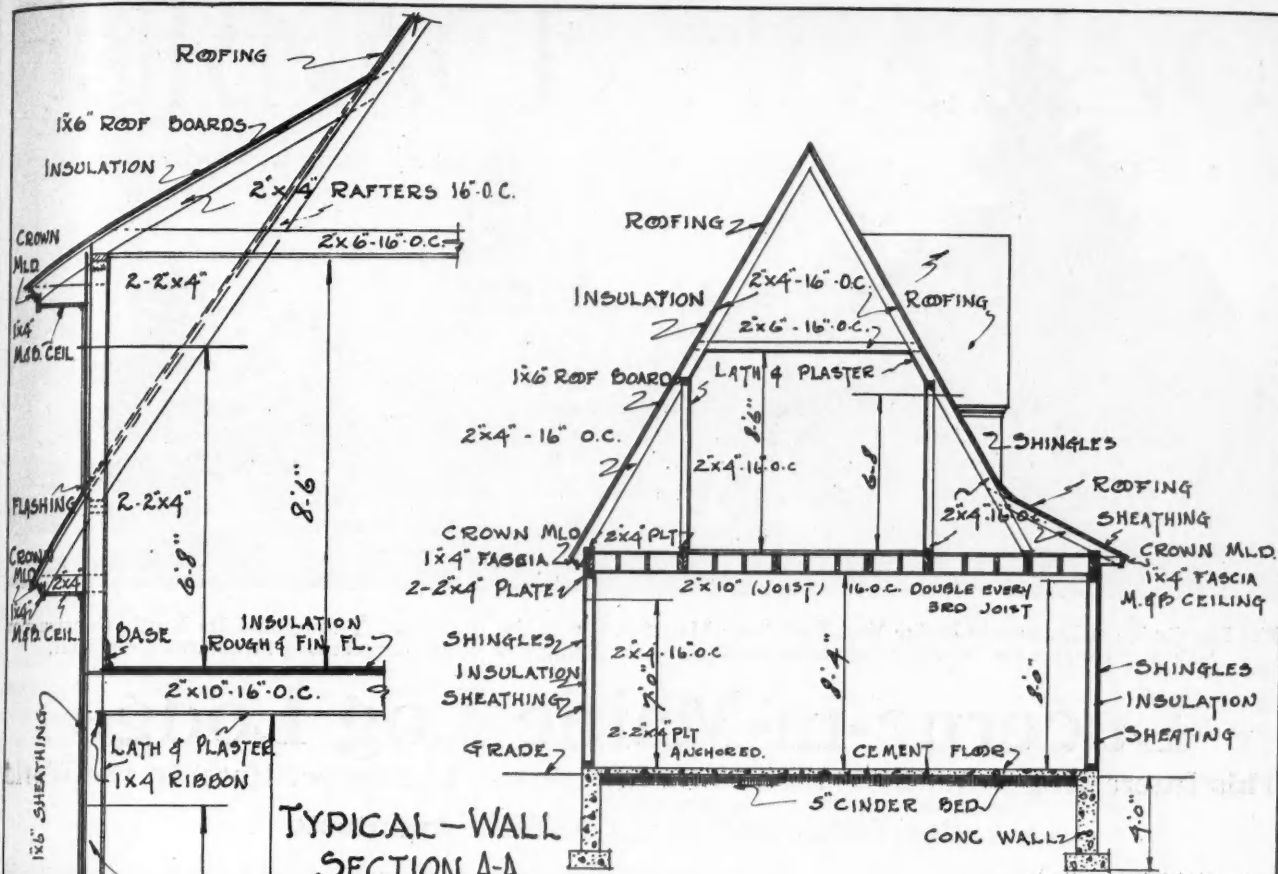


FRONT-ELEVATION

SCALE 1/8"=1'-0"

SHEET No.-3.

Here Are Two More Elevation Views of Our Front Cover Home Which Carry Out the Claim of Excellent Design



SHEET NO-4.

A Cross Section and Typical Wall Section of Our Front Cover Home Point Out the Details of Construction Which Back Up the Excellence of Planning of This Typical Modern House.



The Log Lodge at Lucerne-in-Maine Was Built from Materials Cut in the Immediate Vicinity and Its Rustic Construction Makes It Notable for Its Appropriateness as Well as for Being One of the Largest Log Structures Ever Built.

Lucerne-in-Maine Log Lodge

This Interesting Building Is Said to Be the Largest Log Resort Hotel in the World

CROWELL AND LANCASTER, Architects

CONSTRUCTED of peeled spruce and hemlock logs, cut within a few miles of its site, the Lucerne-in-Maine Log Lodge probably represents the largest hotel of its kind in the world. There are 85 sleeping rooms with accommodations for more than 100 guests. The lodge is fully equipped with all modern conveniences, including electric lights and steam heat.

The logs used in this construction were laid horizontally, the joints being caulked with oakum. When completed the exterior of the logs was thoroughly oiled. With a total length of 250 feet and a width of 34



The Attractive Lounge of This Lodge, Though Electric Lighted and Steam Heated, Is Also Appropriately Rustic in Its Appointments.



A Living Room with an Adjoining Bedroom, Visible Through the Open Door, Shows the Comfortable Accommodations for Guests.

feet, the building was designed so that additional wings may be added later to complete an enclosed courtyard. A covered porch extends along the entire front.

An outstanding feature of the construction, from an architectural standpoint, is the interior partitions. These are of logs sawed lengthwise and erected vertically. Half logs were used for studding, backed up with a half inch of insulating board. The other side was faced with $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch boards, with half-round logs forming panels.

The stairs consist of solid logs with just enough of the surface removed to make steps. The floors are of hemlock and spruce finished with hard pine and fir. The roof is covered with fire-resisting shingles.

FRANK GILLER

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FURNACE HEATING



Heat, Humidity and Air Movement

Building Interiors to be Truly Comfortable in Winter Require the Addition of Moisture and Air Circulation as Well as Heat—How Warm-Air Furnaces Fulfill These Requirements

This Department by R. C. Nason, Heating Expert, appears every month in American Builder.

AS knowledge of heating and its relation to human comfort are better understood one comes to the conclusion that merely to heat a building, without regard to other factors, is not enough. Interiors must be sufficiently warmed, surely, yet if the air one has to breathe is odorous or dusty a person cannot be said to be comfortable. Examination reveals, further, that even if room temperature is sufficiently high and the air free from dust and odors, when the air is too dry or too moist we experience irritation and discomfort. Movement of air is necessary to enable one to rid himself of bodily heat, moisture and natural poisons secreted through the breath and skin.

The air which surrounds the earth, briefly, is composed of four-fifths nitrogen and one-fifth oxygen, with about four parts of carbon dioxide in 10,000 of air, and considerable water vapor. When carbon dioxide exceeds 10 parts per 10,000 there comes over the average person a feeling of weariness and stuffiness. The limit should be placed at seven parts of carbon dioxide per 10,000 of air.

One of the principle causes of vitiation of interior air is respiration. Suppose, for instance, that air taken into the lungs contains four parts carbon dioxide per 10,000 of air, "fresh air," as we call it. When the same air is exhaled there are about 400 parts of carbon dioxide in 10,000 parts of air. Were a person shut up in a tightly closed room he would soon die from suffocation, as nearly everyone knows.

In addition to vitiation by the natural process of breathing and cooking, odors contribute their share in making inside air unfit for breathing. The human body may be likened to a moist rag being constantly wrung out. Even when a person sits still from 1½ to 2½ pounds of water are evaporated daily from the surface of the skin. If one moves about, as almost every one does, the amount is increased. Considerable moisture, too, is given off to the atmosphere by exhaled air, as human breath is almost completely saturated. It requires about 4½ cubic feet of air per minute for respiration, for the absorption of moisture and dilution of carbon dioxide gas from the skin.

It is for the foregoing reasons that interior air in winter must be comparatively pure if comfort and health are to

be enjoyed. In table 1 is shown the number of cubic feet of pure air per hour and per minute with which the average person must be provided in order for it to be fit to breathe, so far as carbon dioxide is concerned. The quantity of air needed is shown in the figures at the top and the degree of vitiation below. From the data it is noted that about 50 cubic feet of air per minute must be provided per person if carbon dioxide content is kept at 6 parts per 10,000. In actual practice, however, 30 cubic feet per minute is considered sufficient. This yields air containing 7.33 parts carbon dioxide per 10,000.

Our bodies have been aptly likened to furnaces in which a food is burned producing a varying amount of heat which must be dissipated and the proper regulation of the loss of heat is probably the most important factor in producing bodily comfort. Air taken into the lungs comes in contact with the blood from the heart, is absorbed by the haemoglobin of the blood and is carried with it to all parts of the body. In the process combustion of organic tissues occurs and is accompanied by generation of heat and carbon dioxide. The carbon dioxide is then carried back to the lungs in the blood where it is exhaled by respiration.

Normal bodily temperature is 96.6 degrees Fahrenheit, and it is known that variation occurs in illness. Then we say one has a "fever." Without heat life is impossible, yet this heat cannot be supplied from without, the only function of external heating being reduction of the rapidity with which body heat is dissipated. When body heat is lost too rapidly one feels cold and when too slowly the reverse is the physical sensation. Prevention of too rapid loss of body heat is the ultimate aim of all heating systems.

Heat is lost from the body in four ways: by radiation, by contact with the air, by exhalation from the lungs and from the skin. Were one to enter a room having a temperature of 75 degrees, with walls only 50 degrees he would feel chilly simply because heat is rapidly radiated from the body through the air to the colder walls. In dry air, equality of body temperature is maintained by a steady but imperceptible evaporation from the skin. In moist air, on the other hand, the rate of evaporation is so lowered that bodily moisture is deposited on the skin as perspiration.

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| Cubic feet of air containing 4 parts of Carbon Dioxide in 10,000 supplied per person. | Per Hour | 6,000 | 4,000 | 3,000 | 2,400 | 2,000 | 1,800 | 1,714 | 1,500 | 1,200 | 1,000 | 545 | 375 | 231 |
| | Per Minute | 100 | 66.6 | 50 | 40 | 33.3 | 30 | 28.6 | 25 | 20 | 16.6 | 9.1 | 6.2 | 3.8 |
| Degree of Vitiation of the air of a room. | Parts of CO ₂ in 10,000 | 5 | 5.5 | 6 | 6.5 | 7 | 7.33 | 7.5 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 30 |

Table 1—Quantities of Fresh Air Needed to Preserve Low Carbon Dioxide Content.

High humidity has the effect of modifying the temperature at which comfort can be secured. Reversely, when the air is too dry room temperature must be higher if a person is to experience the same feeling of comfort. This has to do directly with the loss of heat from the body, as previously explained.

An ordinary thermometer, thus it seems, is only of relative value for indicating a person's feeling of comfort. It does not register the humidity, but serves merely to indicate the temperature. For the reasons already given some installers refer to correct proportions of heat and humidity as "effective temperature," which varies somewhat from that registered on the average thermometer and falls within what has been aptly called the "comfort zone." This means, essentially, that heating engineers have found that there are certain temperatures and accompanying humidities at which normal persons will feel comfortable. It is believed that 50 per cent of all persons will feel comfortable with 62 to 69 degrees effective temperature and about 97 per cent of all persons are comfortable at 64 degrees effective temperature, or when the air is about 68 degrees Fahrenheit and the accompanying relative humidity is from 45 to 55 per cent.

Heating installers would like to duplicate outdoor air conditions as closely as possible in the belief that nature is the best doctor. June weather is often used as a guide to optimum atmosphere, from the comfort standpoint. This might be qualified somewhat when applied to latitudes other than the central portion of the United States. Some poet, it will be recalled, wrote: "What is so rare as a day in June?"

If June days are taken as being especially comfortable it must be considered that nearness to bodies of water results in more humid air than sections near arid regions. Low interior temperatures, say 65 degrees, thus may feel warm in localities where outside air humidity is relatively high. Rarely are outdoor humidities lower than 50 per cent nor above 80 per cent unless rain or snow are "in the air."

Take average outdoor winter temperature at 30 degrees and humidity at 50 per cent. What happens when this air is raised to 70 degrees, as is the case in winter heating? This is shown in Table 2. The column at the left lists certain outdoor temperatures with zero as the lowest. The middle column has assumed certain relative humidities, with 50 as the lowest and 80 per cent as the highest. The final column demonstrates the resulting humidity when the same air is warmed from the outdoor temperature at the left to 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

Thirty degrees outdoor air, then, having 50 per cent relative humidity, that is, with one-half of all the moisture it can hold, if raised to 70 degrees, as in heating, will then have only 12½ per cent humidity. Opinion may differ somewhat as to the ideal relative humidity for personal comfort, yet few will deny but that 12½ per cent is far too low for either comfort or health. One's comfort is easily told by the feeling, not always is effect on health so easily determined.

From the health viewpoint it is known scientifically that when air breathed has too low moisture content, the nasal passages are overtaxed to secrete sufficient mucous to keep the membrane covered. Susceptibility to colds, nervousness and irritability result.

In heating buildings other than manufacturing establishments excessive humidity is rare, but not unknown. When it exists the condition is apparent via the window panes

which are likely to sweat when the moisture content inside exceeds 45 per cent relative. It is important to bear in mind about the humidity question that a cubic foot of air at 70 degrees Fahrenheit holds about 8 grains of moisture when saturated. At 30 degrees the same quantity of air can contain only about 2 grains. If 30 degree outside air is heated to 70 degrees, as is the case under actual winter heating, it still holds the 2 grains of moisture and no more unless some has been added artificially.

Furnace men have made heroic attempts to add moisture by means of water pans, automatically or hand refilled, suspended within the casings of heaters. Yet, the passages within which they must go will not take large pans without blocking space needed for circulation of air. Other heating systems have no means of adding moisture at the heaters, but get moisture into room air with open receptacles.

Hence, the likelihood of excessive humidity in building heating with present designs of plant is remote.

Granted, that the real object sought in heating is personal comfort and health, rather than merely heating alone, one is forced to believe that warm-air furnaces represent an excellent attempt to incorporate heat, humidity and air motion. Practically all standard

designs of heating plant will heat nowadays, so far as thermometer readings is concerned. If this is deemed sufficient then choice of heating medium is of little significance. If one holds the idea, however, that moisture and air circulation are equally important then attention must center on warm-air furnaces, which offer air circulation as well as the other factors.

Ventilation by the open window is not of the best because it cannot be secured without drafts and loss of expensively generated heat. Considerable fresh air leaks in through cracks about windows, particularly on the windward sides of buildings, but circulation cannot be depended on to the same extent as the constant current coming up through warm air registers at from 100 to 400 linear feet per minute.

Experiments demonstrate that one may live during the coldest weather with comfort in a room of 65 degrees Fahrenheit, where the relative humidity is maintained at about 60 per cent. Lack of first-hand knowledge as to comfort, temperature, humidity and air motion are widespread, as was recently demonstrated by an experiment whereby persons were placed in a room equipped with a moistening apparatus and the temperature kept at 65 to 68 degrees, with relative humidity of about 60 per cent. An adjoining room, without a moistening device and heated by an ordinary steam radiator had an average temperature of 72 to 74 degrees and relative humidity of 30 per cent. In every instance without knowing what the temperature of the different rooms was the opinion was expressed that the room with the higher humidity was warmer than the other room.

It appears to be progress in the right direction to have the agencies for accomplishing the three chief factors necessary to comfort at the heater itself rather than separated and the furnace is the plant which has taken this into consideration. Heating is the first requisite. That sufficient warmth can be generated by all styles of heater few will deny. Humidity can be had in some systems by means of water pans in the rooms, but only in the furnace are these located within the plant itself. Air movement is assured in the steady, warm current coming from furnace registers. Dependence on cracks about windows or open windows are uncertain and expensive methods of procedure.

| Outdoor Temperature Deg. | Per Cent Humidity in Outdoor Air (assumed) | Per Cent Humidity of same air when heated to 70° |
|--------------------------|--|--|
| 0 | 50 | 3 |
| | 80 | 5 |
| 15 | 50 | 6¼ |
| | 80 | 10 |
| 30 | 50 | 12½ |
| | 80 | 19½ |
| 45 | 50 | 21¼ |
| | 80 | 34 |

Table 2—Dryness of Interior Air in Winter When No Artificial Moisture Is Added.

CHIPS & QUIPS



Convincing eh?

If you find yourself at a loss for proper descriptive matter for your newspaper advertising, here are a few suggested lines taken from one day's issue of a large newspaper:

"Greatest Sale in the History of the City."
 "A Stupendous Mercantile Event."
 "Such Bargains Will Never be Offered Again."
 "Only Our Unsurpassed Buying Power Makes Possible Such an Offer."
 "Sensational—Stupendous."
 "Costs Forgotten—Profits Ignored."
 "Our Thousand Years in Business Gives Us the Jump."
 "Once in a Lifetime."
 "Phenomenal—Staggering—Stupefying Sale."
 "Prices Slashed—Yes, Slaughtered."

That's Different

Professor—See here, my man, who in the devil told you to plant all that new shrubbery in my front yard?"

Gardener—Why, your wife, of course.

Professor—Mighty pretty, isn't it?—*Wabash Caveman.*

The New Competition

A man mortgaged his home to buy an automobile. Then he went around and tried to mortgage the car to get money to build a garage.

"How are you going to buy gas?" curiously inquired the man of whom the loan was asked.

"Well," replied the other slowly, "if I own a house, a car and a garage, I should think any dealer would be willing to trust me for gas."

Speaking Lightly

Statistics show an increasingly large gain in privately owned electric plants. Is this the own-your-own-ohm movement asks the *Arkansas Gazette*?

He Must Be a Pessimist

"Is the world round?" a school ma'am asked the little boy.

"No'm."

"It isn't, eh? Is it flat then?"

"No'm."

"Are you crazy, child? If the world isn't round and it isn't flat, what is it?"

"Pop says it's crooked."

Modern

Steno—"I'm going to be married Sunday, and—"

Boss—"—and so you're going to leave me."

Steno—"Oh no! I'm just going to tell you that I'll be needing more money."

Pay Dirt

Inquisitive: "And what are you digging for, my good man?"

Digger: "Money."

Inquisitive: "You don't say so. And when do you expect to find it?"

Digger: "Saturday night."

Lost, Strayed or Stolen?

"Whatever became of that portable garage of yours?"

"Oh, I tied the bull-dog to it the other night and a cat ran by him."

Not His Line

He: "I come to bring warmth and light into the bleakness of your home."

Romantic Spinster: "Oh, you dear—"

He: "Nix on the love stuff, lady. I'm the installation man for the gas company."

Why?

Efficiency Expert (to clerk): "I fear, Mr. Jones, that you are ignoring our efficiency system."

Mr. Jones: "Maybe so, but somebody has got to get the work done."

Sounds Like Favoritism

"What was the reason for your being discharged from your last place?" asked the employer of an applicant for a job.

"Good behavior, sir," replied the applicant.

"Nonsense! You would never be discharged for good behavior."

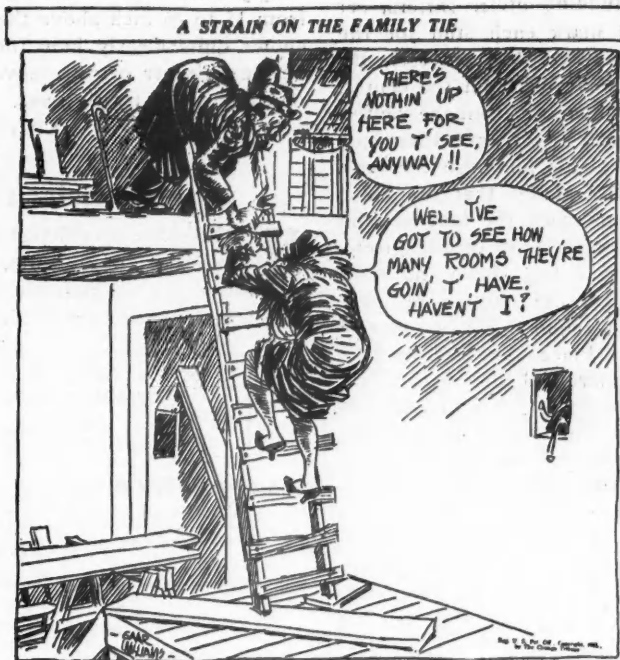
"Yes, sir; they took two months off my sentence."

The Consumer Pays

Abie—Vot is de idea of raising de price of gasoline all de time?

Garage Man—What do you care? You haven't got a car.

Abie—No, but I got a cigar lighter.



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HOW DAN DOES IT

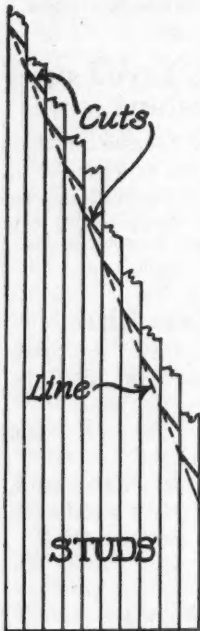


A Department for Passing "Life Savers" along to other Builders

\$2 for an Idea

Dan is an ingenious cuss. Nothing ever stumps him. He always knows the way out when he runs into a tough problem out on the job or in the office. Dan is editor of this Department and will pay \$2.00 each for every good idea he can use here to show and tell other builders "how to do it." Send him a rough sketch and a short description of what the tough job was and how you handled it. Address Dan-Do-It, care of American Builder, 1827 Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

To Mark Gable Studs Quickly



I NOTICE a great many carpenters, when studding under rafters, set plumb and mark each stud for the length. This is a slow process. By laying the plate off from the center, or an equal distance from the center, the lay-off can be duplicated for each side of the gable and also for both gables, or all gables that are alike.

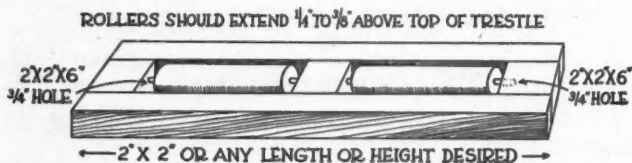
Plumb and mark the longest stud and the shortest stud of the group. Lay these two studs down and place between them the number of additional pieces required for one side of the gable. Place the bottom ends perfectly square and then draw a line, with a straight edge, from one side of the angle cut on the long stud to the same side of the angle cut on the short stud, using the same side of both long and short stud as shown in the sketch. The point at which the line intersects each stud will mark the length of that stud and with the bevel square the cut can be marked on each. One must be careful to keep the studs tightly together while marking. If this is done the marking will give perfect satisfaction.

The Studs for Gable Ends May Be Marked Quickly and Accurately in This Manner.

C. W. ELLIOTT, 4131 Broadway, Gary, Ind.

For Handling Heavy Timbers

MANY times I have been working with large timbers or heavy planks, on trestles, and have had difficulty in moving them into the position where wanted. I would lift one end of a timber and try to pull or push it a foot or two and instead of moving the timber would tip the trestle over. I have overcome this difficulty, however, by



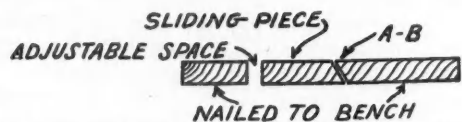
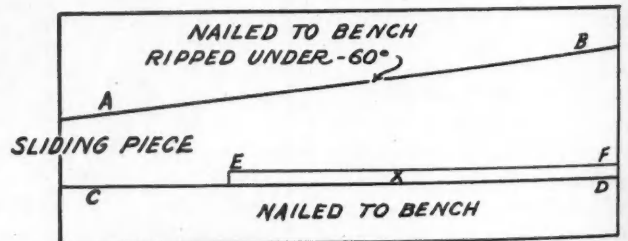
Rollers Set Into the Trestle Greatly Facilitate the Handling of Heavy Timbers and Planks.

the use of the device shown in the sketch, which also saves a lot of hard labor in handling such material. This device simply consists of rollers set into the trestles and extending from $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{8}$ inch above the top of the trestle. The sketch shows quite clearly how these are made. With them the heaviest timber can be moved quite easily with no danger of tipping the trestle over.

AUSTIN GRIFFIN, Box 37, Chapin, Ill.

An Efficient Bench Clamp

HERE is a very efficient and inexpensive "vise" to hold lumber while finishing, which can be cut from a 1x8-inch board in a few minutes' time. Take a piece of 1x8 about two feet long and rip it along the lines AB, CD and EF



A Simple Bench Clamp Which Adjusts Itself to Varying Sizes of Material and Holds It Firmly While Being Worked.

as shown in the sketch. As can be seen, the line AB is ripped along a long slant and also on a bevel, as shown in the sectional view.

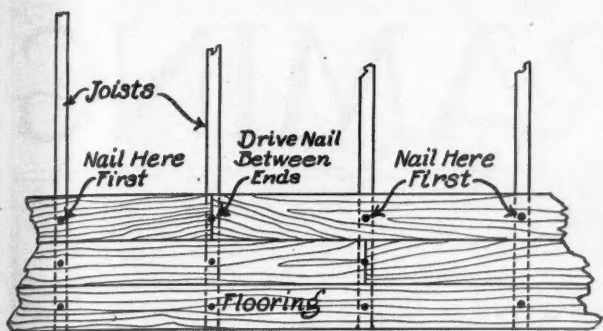
The piece ripped out at "X" is not used, the space being left to receive the piece of material to be worked. Nail the two outside pieces to the bench in the position shown, leaving the middle piece free to slide. The space at "X" can be widened by sliding the middle piece back. The material to be worked is placed in this space against the shoulder of the middle piece, and the two are slid forward.

This gets a square pressure on the material and prevents it tipping as it will do when two strips are merely nailed down in the form of a "V." Being adjustable it secures material of different thicknesses with equal security. A sharp jerk backward or a tap with a hammer will loosen.

AUBREY P. BENNETT, Box 40-A, Route 1, Ferndale, Wash.

Prevents Cracked Flooring

WHILE nailing fir flooring directly on the joists I noticed that, unless the piece of flooring happened to be extra soft, I could not nail the ends of the pieces without splitting them. To avoid this I first nailed the flooring at the other



When Nailed in This Manner the Ends of Fir Flooring Will Not Crack, Yet Are Held Well in Place.

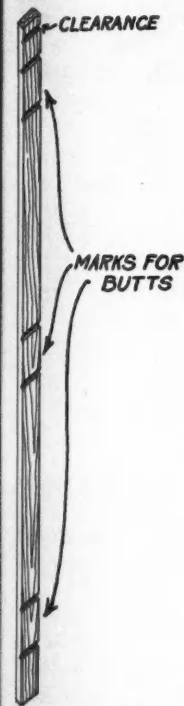
joists and then drove nails into the joint between the ends. As shown in the sketch, the head of the nails holding the ends of both pieces of flooring. The other nails are driven first. This will not leave a crack.

W. A. ROARK, Battle Ground, Wash.

Marker for Hinge Butts

WHEN hanging doors, when there are enough of them on a job to justify it, I take a piece of door stop or other light material and cut it to a length a trifle shorter than the height of the jamb. I then lay off the butts on this strip with a knife and mark the stick at the top so there will be no danger of getting it turned end for end. I take this stick and, keeping it against the head of the jamb, I mark all the jambs for the butts.

When the jambs are all marked I either cut the desired clearance for the door off the stick or mark it with a knife. I use this stick for marking the doors for butts and I get the same clearance on all doors and do not have to wedge the door in place to mark the butts. The sketch shows the marking for three butts.

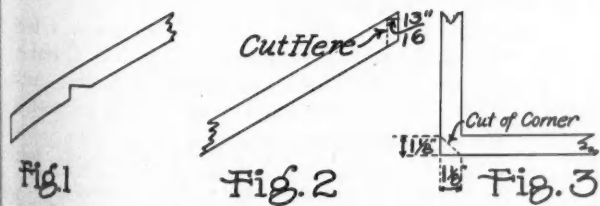


A Marker for Hinge Butts Is a Time Saver Where There Is a Big Enough Job.

TED GREVILLE,
5128 34th St., San Diego, Cal.

Cutting Hip Rafter

AFTER reading the article by Mr. Neufeld, on fitting the hip rafter, which is very good, I thought it would be worth while to explain the method I use for the unbacked hip.



Here Is Illustrated a Method of Cutting Rafters for the Unbacked Hip Which Is Said To Be Convenient.

I do not claim this method is original with me but I have never seen it in print or found a carpenter who used it. I find it especially convenient with rafters that have a projection as shown in Fig. 1.

After laying out the hip rafter in the usual manner cut it 13/16 inch short at the top end, measuring at right angles to the plumb cut as shown in Fig. 2. The next step is to measure back 1 1/8 inch each way from the corner of the plate and cut off the corner of the plate as shown by the dotted line in Fig. 3. This will bring the corner of the hip in line with the top of the common rafters. These measurements are for the 1 1/8 inch thick hip rafters.

R. C. RANDLE, Grayville, Ill.

Applying Corner Bead

HERE is a sketch of an idea I have used and found very helpful. When putting on corner bead, I slip a six-penny finishing nail into the end of the head. This holds the joint in line and prevents short kinks and crooks. It also makes it possible to use the short lengths of corner bead, which would otherwise be wasted, and still obtain a good straight job.

H. A. BUSSWITZ, Austin, Texas.

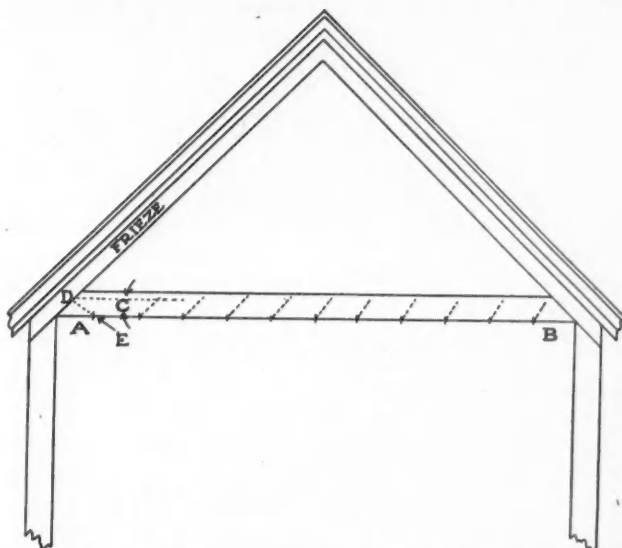


If This Method Is Used Short Pieces of Corner Bead Need Not Be Wasted.

To Cut Siding for Gable Ends

IN cutting lap siding for gable ends it is often the custom to cut the longest length and get the length of each piece from the preceding one. A better way is to get the length of the first piece, A-B in the sketch, as usual, gauge the desired exposure, as at C, draw D-E, the bevel cut of the siding. Now the distance A-E is the difference in the length of each succeeding piece. Now if you divide A-B into parts as near A-E as possible, you will have the length of every piece marked on your first board and, when applied, the last piece will be the same width as the others.

FRED DIETEL, 2044 Lincoln Park, West, Chicago, Ill.



The Proper Length for Each Piece of Lap Siding for a Gable End Can Be Obtained by This Method.

INSTRUCTIONS in ROOF FRAMING



How to Figure Roof Areas

By JOHN T. NEUFELD

AN evening class in roof framing was in session. The class was composed mostly of carpenters who perhaps had framed many roofs. The instructor asked the question: "Which has the greater area, a hip roof or a gable roof providing the size of the building and cornice is the same and the pitch of the roof is the same?"

Some thought that the gable roof had the greater area, others thought that the hip roof required more roofing. The trouble seemed to be that they just "thought," but did not know.

In order to find out, a roof was cut out of cardboard, similar to the one shown in Fig. 3. Then the ends were taken off. Each end is composed of two right angle triangles, such as the triangle formed by the lines A B C. These triangles were turned around and placed in the position shown in Fig. 4, and the hip roof had been changed to a gable roof, and that without adding or taking away from the area.

A certain writer on estimating tried to show how to find the area of a roof, and the students who studied the lesson usually found the area of the roof if they hunted long enough. By his method the roof was divided into triangles and rectangles, and the area of each separate piece was figured. This method would discourage any man, especially if the roof was one of the recent broken up types.

The area of a roof may be found by a different and easier method. When figuring rafter lengths we found that the rafters have a certain fixed length for every foot of run, or, as we might say, for every foot of horizontal distance. This length changes with the pitch of the roof. The same thing holds true for the area of a roof. The area has a fixed relation to the horizontal area of the roof or to the area of the plan.

Fig. 1 shows a flat area one foot by one foot, which gives one square foot.

Fig. 2 shows a portion of roof covering a flat area of one square foot. This roof has a rise of 8 inches per foot run. This makes a roof one foot by 1.202 feet, having an area of 1×1.202 equals 1.202 square feet. Therefore for every roof having a pitch of 8 inches rise per foot the roof area is 1.202 square feet for every square foot in plan.

Fig. 3 shows a roof portion with a 10-inch rise per foot. This portion also covers an area of one square foot of plan. The roof area for this portion is 1×1.301 equals 1.301 square feet. Therefore the area of any roof with a 10-inch rise per foot run is 1.301 square feet for every square foot of flat surface.

Figs. 6 and 7 show a type of roof very often found at the present time. Two ways of finding the area are shown, both using the method described. The first is a little more accurate than the second.

Present day methods usually require tables for work of this kind. The following table may be used for finding the areas of roofs as well as for figuring rafter lengths:

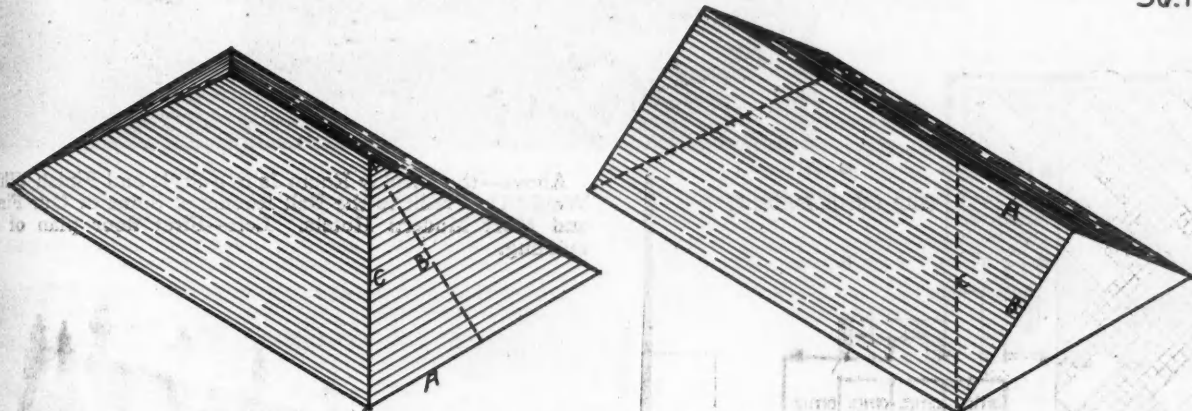
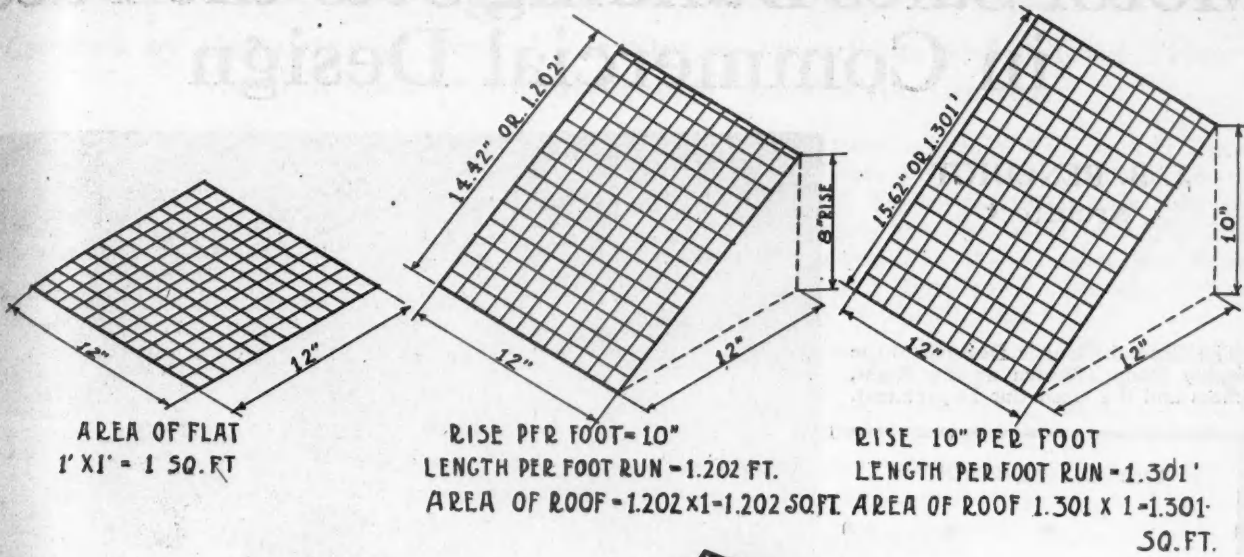
| Pitch | Rise per Foot Run | Length per Foot | | Roof Area per Sq. Ft. |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------|-----------------------|
| | | In Inches | In Feet | |
| $\frac{1}{8}$ | 3 inches | 12.37 | 1.030 | 1.030 |
| $\frac{1}{6}$ | 4 inches | 12.65 | 1.054 | 1.054 |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ | 6 inches | 13.42 | 1.118 | 1.118 |
| $\frac{7}{24}$ | 7 inches | 13.83 | 1.158 | 1.158 |
| $\frac{1}{3}$ | 8 inches | 14.42 | 1.202 | 1.202 |
| $\frac{3}{8}$ | 9 inches | 15.00 | 1.250 | 1.250 |
| $\frac{9}{12}$ | 10 inches | 15.62 | 1.301 | 1.301 |
| $\frac{11}{24}$ | 11 inches | 16.28 | 1.356 | 1.356 |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | 12 inches | 16.97 | 1.414 | 1.414 |
| $\frac{5}{8}$ | 15 inches | 19.21 | 1.601 | 1.601 |

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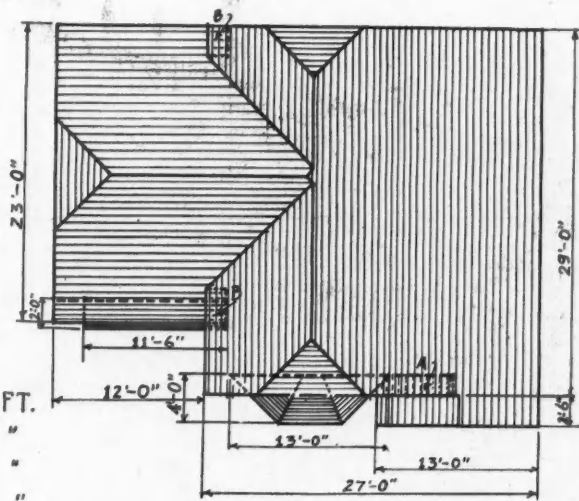
- (1) From the table give the roof area per square foot for a $\frac{1}{4}$ pitch roof.
- (2) The area in plan for a certain roof is 456 square feet. What is the roof area for this roof if it has a 9-inch rise per foot run?
- (3) A certain barn has a gable roof with 1-foot 6-inch horizontal overhang on all sides. The barn is 54 by 32 feet and has a $\frac{1}{2}$ pitch. What is the roof area for this building?
- (4) How many squares of shingles are required for a house 19 by 34 feet having a hip roof, $\frac{1}{3}$ pitch and 18-inch overhang on the sides?
- (5) If the length of rafter per foot run is 14.42 inches, what is the area of the roof per square foot of plan area, or flat area?

Answers

- (1) Roof area per square foot is 1.118 square feet.
- (2) Area in plan given 456 square feet. Area of roof per square foot of plan is 1.25 square feet. Area of entire roof is $456 \times 1.25 = 570$ square feet.
- (3) Length of barn is $54 + 1$ foot 6 inches $+ 1$ foot 6 inches = 57 feet 0 inches. Width of barn roof is 32 feet $+ 1$ foot 6 inches $+ 1$ foot 6 inches = 35 feet 0 inches. Area of plan is $57 \times 35 = 1,995$ square feet. Area of roof is $1,995 \times 1.414 = 2,821$ square feet.
- (4) Area of roof is $22 \times 37 \times 1.202 = 979$ square feet. Therefore 10 squares of shingles would be required.
- (5) 14.42 inches is 1.202 feet, therefore the area of roof per square foot of plan area is 1.202 square feet.



A HIP ROOF AND GABLE ROOF HAVE THE SAME AREA, IF THE SIZE OF THE BUILDING AND THE OVERHANG IS THE SAME



GIVEN RISE PER FOOT RUN = 10"
AREA OF ROOF - FLAT AREA X 1.301

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| MAIN PART 29'-0" x 27'-0" = | 783 SQ. FT. |
| SIDE ADDITION 23'-0" x 12'-0" = | 276 " " |
| ROOF OVER SIDE DOOR 11'-6" x 2'-0" = | 23 " " |
| ROOF OVER ENTRANCE 13'-0" x 2'-6" = | 32 1/2 " " |
| ROOF OVER BAY 13'-0" x 4'-0" = | 52 " " |
| AREA "A" 1'-6" x 6'-6" = | 9 3/4 " " |
| TWO AREAS "B" 2 x 1'-6" x 3'-0" = | 9 " " |
| | <u>1185 1/4 SQ. FT.</u> |
| AREA OF ROOF = 1185 x 1.301 = | 1542 SQ. FT. |

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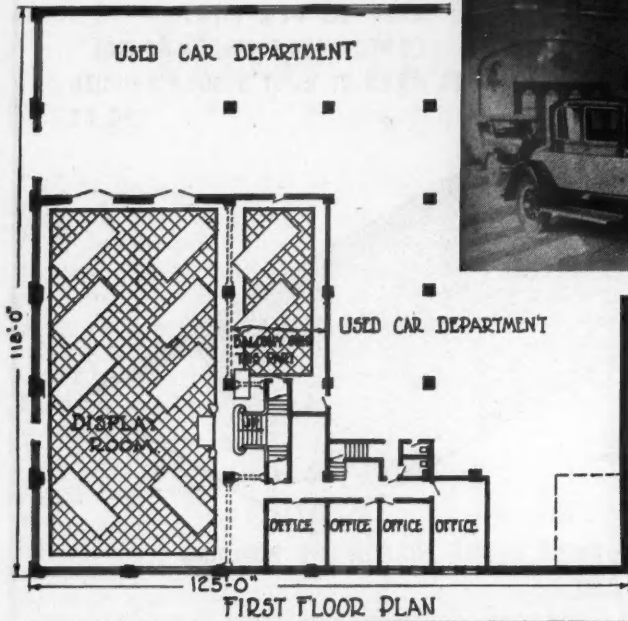
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| MAIN PART 31'-6" x 27'-0" = | 850 1/2 |
| ADDITION 23'-0" x 12'-0" = | 276 |
| SIDE DOOR 11'-6" x 2'-0" = | 23 |
| 1149 x 1.301 = | <u>1495</u> |
| | 1495 |

These Sketches Illustrate the Most Simple Method of Obtaining the Area of a Roof as Described on the Opposite Page.

Motor Sales Building Sets the Pace in Commercial Design

J. B. BENEDICT
Architect

The Ground Floor is Devoted to the Display Room, Shown at the Right, Offices and the Used Car Department.



Above—the Display Room Is in a Style and Finish Which Would Do Credit to the Ball Rooms of Some of Our Finest and Most Modern Hotels. Left—First floor plan of the building.



The Chrysler Sales Building, in Denver, Colorado, Is an Example of the Type of Building Developed as a Result of the Tremendous Growth of the Automobile Industry. It sets a high standard of commercial architecture and plays a large part in beautifying its city. J. B. Benedict, architect.

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Lumber Slogan Prizes Awarded

"Certified by Centuries of Service"—Is Slogan That Wins \$5,000 First Prize in National Lumber Manufacturers' Association Contest

ANNOUNCEMENT has been made by the National Lumber Manufacturers' Association, Washington, D. C., that the winner of its contest for a lumber slogan is James Edwin Noble, Jr., of Sanatorium, Mississippi, who was awarded the first prize of \$5,000. "Certified by Centuries of Service," was selected by the judges as the best of the 370,000 slogans entered in the contest.

The second prize of \$2,000 went to Mrs. Dora Davis Farrington, Professor of Journalism at Hunter University, New York City, for the slogan, "Wood, Use It—Nature Renews It." Mrs. Maud Burt, of Marshalltown, Iowa, submitted the slogan, "Use It—Nature Renews It," for which she was awarded the third prize of \$1,000. The

following each received a prize of \$500 for their slogans: Lawrence O. Nichols, Boise, Idaho, "Build Better with Better Lumber"; C. Stanley Garrison, Indianapolis, Indiana, "Wood Answers the Material Question"; Matthew Taplinger, Philadelphia, Pa., "Wood Answers the Material Question"; Lawrence J. Fuka, Madison, Wisconsin, "There's a Wood for Every Material Problem."

In addition to these grand prizes the balance of the total \$15,000 prize money was divided into 50 regional prizes of \$100 each, one in each state, one in Canada and one for outlying possessions. The winners of these prizes, and their slogans, are shown below.

State Prize Winning Slogans

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| ALABAMA | —Growing Trees for Growing Needs | —Miss Lila Killebrew, Newton, Ala. | NEW JERSEY | —Wood Makes a House a Home | —Cajetan Morsack, West Orange, N. J. |
| ARIZONA | —A Growing Supply for a Growing Demand | —Clarence A. Crosby, Phoenix, Ariz. | NEW MEXICO | —Wood Grows for Our Growing Needs | —Vernon A. Wilson, Albuquerque, N. M. |
| ARKANSAS | —Always Growing | —Mrs. C. W. Thomas, Walnut Ridge, Ark. | NEW YORK | —For Building Needs, Lumber Leads | —Mrs. D. V. Nash, New York, N. Y. |
| CALIFORNIA | —Trees Without Number—Make It with Lumber | —Milton C. Armstrong, Los Angeles, Cal. | NEVADA | —It's Better, Built of Wood | —Lorena Green, Reno, Nev. |
| COLORADO | —Once Used from Necessity, Now Used from Choice | —Mrs. Edward Fair, Romeo, Colo. | NORTH CAROLINA | —For Building Needs, Lumber Leads | —Mrs. W. L. Peace, Laurinburg, N. C. |
| CONNECTICUT | —Every Age Is the Wood Age | —W. Stewart Gocher, Fairfield, Conn. | NORTH DAKOTA | —Materially Speaking, You'll Choose Wood | —H. O. Holm, Ryder, N. D. |
| DELAWARE | —The Growing Material | —Richard S. Moore, Laurel, Del. | OHIO | —Wood—When You're Materially Concerned | —Paul E. Russell, Fremont, Ohio. |
| FLORIDA | —Forever Growing, Forever Serving | —Eugene M. Kelcy, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. | OKLAHOMA | —Use Wood, More Will Grow | —Miss Agnes Russell, Vinita, Okla. |
| GEORGIA | —Use Wood. More's Growing | —Roswell H. Akin, Griffin, Ga. | OREGON | —Use Wood—It Grows | —Ruth M. Currie, Portland, Ore. |
| IDAHO | —Your Judgment Is Good—When You Build with Wood | —Edward Smith, Boise, Idaho. | PENNSYLVANIA | —Wood and Its Uses Keep Growing | —Robert Blair, Eddystone, Pa. |
| ILLINOIS | —The More You Use It, the Better You Like It | —Charles Kreidt, Chicago, Ill. | RHODE ISLAND | —Wood Is so Good They Imitate It | —Anita Bryant Chase, Newport, R. I. |
| INDIANA | —The Only Building Material That Grows | —Bernard Nix, Huntington, Ind. | SOUTH CAROLINA | —There's Individuality in Wood | —C. M. Lane, Paris Island, S. C. |
| IOWA | —It Grows as It Serves | —Alma Koepke, Waterloo, Iowa. | SOUTH DAKOTA | —Materialize Your Ideas in Wood | —Harold Atz, Rutland, S. D. |
| KANSAS | —Why Not Make It with Wood | —Leslie F. Clark, Sedgwick, Kan. | TENNESSEE | —A Growing Necessity | —Mrs. Betty Prince, Knoxville, Tenn. |
| KENTUCKY | —Wood Will Solve Your Building Problems | —Edgar B. Stephens, Pikeville, Ky. | TEXAS | —Wood for Satisfaction | —Beatrice Alderson, Bonham, Texas. |
| LOUISIANA | —If It's as Good as Wood, It's Wood | —Clarence W. Gray, New Orleans, La. | UTAH | —Every Age an Age of Wood | —Gustive O. Larson, Cedar City, Utah. |
| MAINE | —It Serves Us Right | —Mrs. W. V. Larrabee, Phillips, Maine. | VERMONT | —Imagine a World Without Wood | —La Verne Thayer, Brattleboro, Vt. |
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| MISSISSIPPI | —Ever Growing in Forest and in Favor | —Mrs. A. L. Burkett, Columbia, Miss. | WYOMING | —Wood of Ages, Still Ages of Wood | —James R. Brown, Sheridan, Wyo. |
| MISSOURI | —Growing Forever—It's Uses and Source | —Harry Woodhead, St. Louis, Mo. | OUTLYING POSSESSIONS | | |
| MONTANA | —Wood—Growing in Usefulness | —Gordon Vallandigham, Glasgow, Mont. | CANAL ZONE | —Use Wood for Material Economy | —Kathleen McGuigan, Balboa Heights, Canal Zone. |
| NEBRASKA | —Wood Ways Are Wise Ways | —Mrs. O. F. Vinzant, Grand Island, Neb. | CANADA | —There's Nothing so Good as Durable Wood | —W. A. Gordon, Port Dover, Ontario, Canada. |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | —The Stuff True Homes Are Made of | —Miss N. M. Johnson, Keene, N. H. | | | |

Capitalizing the Future

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tually through defalcation of interest on bonds which he took in exchange. But while Carnegie was a great leader, Morgan had the keener vision. He foresaw a coming era in which dozens of mighty corporations would create values where there were none before.

But the situation today is far more complex than it was in Carnegie's time. Then the ruination of an industry was a matter of great importance. Now our commercial advance is by the destruction of old industries and the creation of new ones. The building up of the automobile business proceeded ruthlessly over the remains of what were once successful buggy and wagon manufacturing concerns. Steel and cement have profited largely at the expense of lumber and the introduction of artificial silks brought distress to the manufacturer of cotton goods.

The present is a time when no one can tell what will be the ultimate effect of a new idea. Bobbed hair nearly ruined the hairpin industry. Short skirts doubled the sales of stockings. The reward is a golden one to whichever manufacturing group wins out in the never-ending battle to dictate style.

A while back Brussels lace was in such high favor that even the hands of the men were half hidden by it. Then the French Revolution came along and people turned to simplicity. Old laces that were almost as precious as the family jewels were either packed away or handed over to the servants. Just as the lace-makers and wig-makers of yesterday ran into difficulties most unexpectedly, so will the trades and crafts of tomorrow experience even more sudden reverses.

Nothing seems to be lasting. Neither climate, nor prosperity, nor depression, nor supremacy in any line or field—except when we change promptly with the times. Recently mass production had to cease until the element of style had been properly taken care of. Ziegfeld started the "Follies," but soon there were so many good imitations that the innovation lost much of its novelty. Oranges and nuts were always with us, but the market for these products was greatly restricted until a few farsighted business men saw an opportunity to build up an extensive system of chain stores and stands.

Next we will find ourselves being educated to the virtues of pineapple juice and the necessity of buying collars that suit the shape of the face and the length of the neck. Various forces are always at work compelling us to change both our minds and our habits. Lately the statisticians have poured forth figures to prove that it is safer for us to invest our money in stocks than in bonds provided we diversify our selection.

It was the blizzard of 1888 that brought about a demand for the abolishment of overhead wires in New York City. No one can tell how far we are going in any direction. Such practices as taking out teeth, tonsils and appendix are likely at any minute to bring about a reaction. The development of the canning industry and the delicatessen has so simplified domestic cooking that married women are going in largely for commercial pursuits.

The complexity of the current movement in industry has overwhelmed the capacity of the average person to comprehend the full meaning of what is happening. Never have contrasts been so inexplicable. Commercial crime is so prevalent that fraudulent practices now bring a yearly loss of approximately four thousand millions of dollars. Nevertheless this widespread failure of law and education to protect the individual does not seem to bother us in the least. We are living on the cream of our resources—

scalping the soil, recklessly exhausting irreplaceable mineral supplies, and using wood faster than we grow it, and yet we are undisturbed.

In the meantime, notwithstanding the slackening of trade and the increase in unemployment in recent months, bank and insurance figures show a continuation of the astonishing expansion of savings. In the field of installment sales, it is also amazing to find that "overdues" are now appreciably less than they were last year at this time when business was moving along serenely. Surely it must be clear that there is no wisdom in a policy of stubbornly opposing the sweep of the tide. It appears that we must focus our attention on the national picture—think in terms of total production and total wealth, rather than engage in worry because the benefits of good times have not yet spread to every crack and corner of our vast land.

The problem of production was our chief concern 10 or 20 years ago. After overcoming the obstacles in that field, we started in on the question of distribution, and we are now trying to write the answer. Our first step was to stabilize purchasing power by improving the credit situation and reducing the dangers of inflation, and this was accomplished through the creation of a remarkable Federal Reserve System. Then in rapid succession came the installment plan of selling, hand-to-mouth buying, and a little later on a policy of extending large loans to foreigners. But notwithstanding all of this, and in addition, the introduction of the element of style to make last year's models obsolete, consumption has failed to catch up with production.

Now we enter an even more thrilling era. The battle for the consumer's dollar is to continue with increasing force. It seems that we must have both mass production and mass distribution under the one control. Indications of this trend are evident in the plans of the big mail-order houses, which call for the organization of chain systems of retail stores. Working from the other end the chain stores are commencing to go in for their own manufacturing.

Where the little fellow will get off in this hectic journey is something probably no one can answer. Nor can we tell what the effect on American business will be when the interest that Europe must pay us commences to exceed the total of her yearly borrowings. Surely there will come a time when we will be forced to take goods from the foreigners in lieu of money.

The rise of our country to world preeminence in such a short span of years constitutes the most absorbing story in human history. Our accomplishments have transformed life and industry throughout the entire world. Perhaps too many of us are like the old gentleman who resigned from the Patent Office half a century ago because, as he said, "everything had been invented that could be invented." Perhaps we are only at the threshold of achievements that will surpass everything that has gone before.

And yet one may ask if there is any harm in suggesting the possibility of our becoming just a bit over-confident at times. An unswerving faith in America's destiny is both proper and essential. But we have a long way to travel in this new-made country before we can afford to turn our attention from legitimate business to the precarious occupation of capitalizing an uncertain future through the manipulation of stock-market prices.

Some of the kind of wealth we are now creating overnight can disappear just as quickly. Hand-to-mouth buying removed the menace of inflated inventories. It almost seems that we need some hand-to-mouth buying of securities for cash to remove another danger from inflation in a different quarter.

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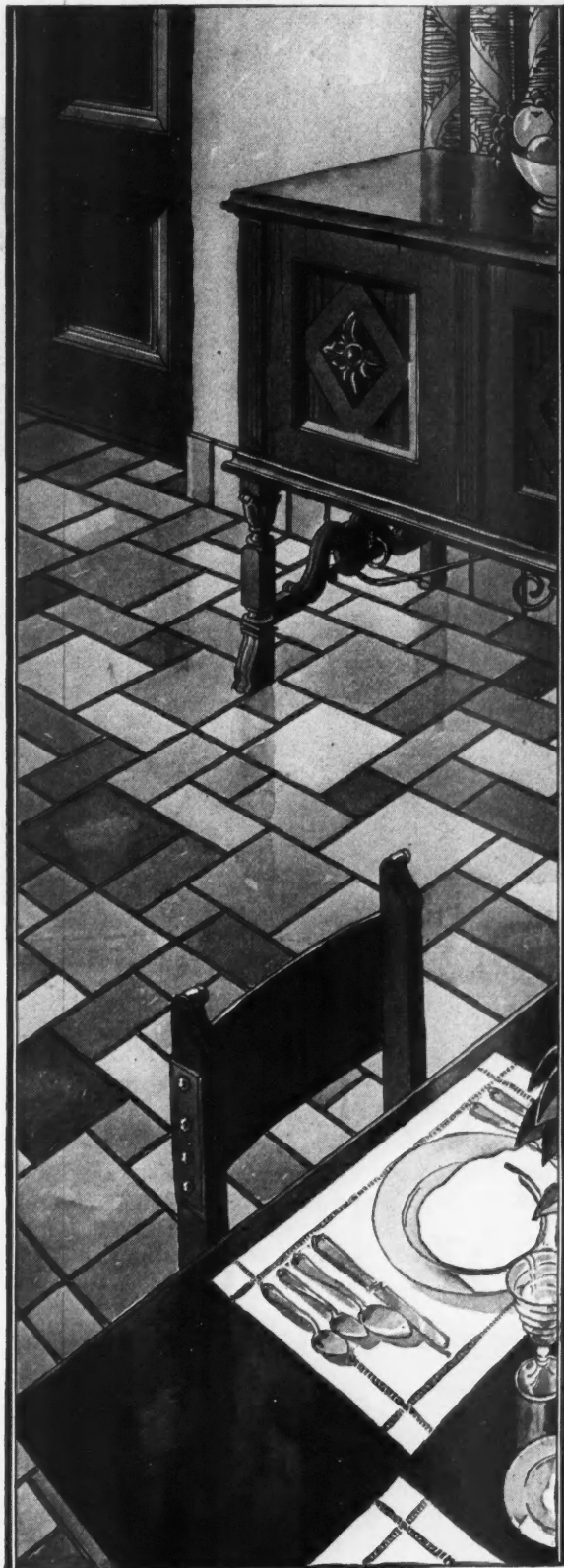
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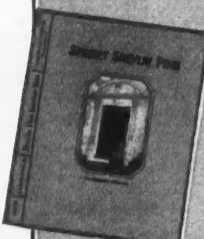
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Detail of Pine woodwork on first floor hall doorway of the Cowles-Lewis House, built about 1760 at Farmington, Conn. (From White Pine Series of Architectural Monographs)



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LAW for the BUILDER



A Slight Variation

THE seller had sold goods to the contractor, to be paid by cashier's checks, on the Tela National Bank. A few days before the delivery date the contractor hustled up to the cashier's wicket.

"I'm a little late on that payment, if I depend on the mail," the buyer observed, "so I'll get you to wire the money instead."

The money was wired, the goods were shipped, and one of the seller's creditors attached them in transit.

"I bought the goods and paid for them, and the title's passed to me," the contractor contended.

"Not when you didn't pay for the goods in the manner specified in your agreement," the creditors retorted, but the Montana courts (in 235 Pacific Reporter, 767) ruled in favor of the buyer.

"The mere fact that payment was not made exactly as required by the contract of sale will not prevent the title from passing," the court ruled.



Shipped and Re-shipped

IF a seller sells and ships goods, and then learns that the buyer is insolvent, he may, as a general rule, retake possession of the goods as long as they are in the hands of a common carrier, under what is known as the right of stoppage in transit.

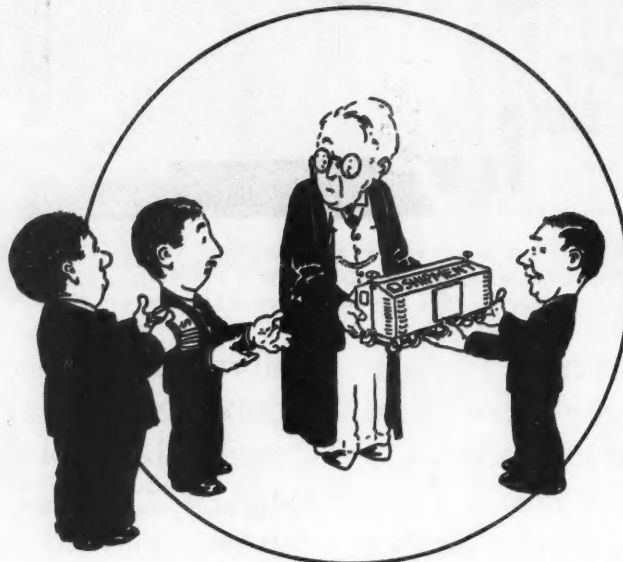
On the other hand, if the goods arrive, and the seller resells and reships to a third party, the original seller cannot then reclaim the goods as the original transit has ended and a new transit has begun.

All this is very elementary business law, but a more intricate point was involved in the case reported in 270 Federal Reporter, 503, where the evidence showed that the seller shipped goods to Pittsburgh, the buyer, for a fraudulent purpose, had the goods reshipped to himself in New York, under an assumed name, and the seller attempted to stop the goods in transit between Pittsburgh and New York.

"Any lawyer's office boy of three weeks' standing knows that a reshipment breaks the original transit and does away with the right," the buyer protested.

"Not when the reshipment is made to the buyer himself and for a fraudulent purpose," the seller retorted, and the court, in the case referred to, ruled in his favor.

"His reconignment of the goods to himself, although under an assumed name, was a declination by him to accept delivery at Pittsburgh and an affirmation of his intention to accept delivery at New York," the court said.



"The Mere Fact That Payment Was Not Made Exactly as Required by the Contract Will Not Prevent the Title from Passing," the Court Ruled.

The Worthless Promise

"I COULDN'T pay cash right now, if I was to be hung for it, but I'll endorse over Henry Smith's note for \$100 in my favor," the customer suggested, and the builder asked the standard question:

"Is Smith good for it?"

"Good as gold," was the positive reply. "Owns his house and hasn't got the scratch of a pen against a thing."

"Endorse your note, then."

"Of course, I want you to agree not to come back on me, but to look to Smith when the note falls due," the customer urged.

"Yes, I'll agree to that," the builder concurred, the note

fell due, the builder ascertained that Smith wasn't worth suing—and entered suit against the customer as endorser of the note.

When the case came to trial, the customer went into the witness box, and started in to tell of the agreement between the builder and himself in reference to the note.

"I object, your honor. The written endorsement on the back of the note must speak for itself and cannot be varied by verbal evidence of any different arrangement," the builder's lawyer objected.

"Objection sustained, and evidence rejected," the judge ruled—and the judge was right.

"It is well settled that, as a general rule of law, oral evidence is not admissible to

contradict or vary the terms of a written contract. And ordinarily, the written contract that is entered into by an indorser when he makes an unrestricted indorsement cannot be contradicted or varied by parol (oral) evidence," says one state court in laying down the rule.



The "Unsigned" Note

"MR. HENRY W. JONES, Town. Your account for \$78.33 is past due, and I would be glad to have an early settlement, as I have some large bills falling due at the end of the present month," the builder wrote.

"I cannot pay cash at the present time, but I am enclosing my note for one month to cover your account," the customer replied.

The note was enclosed, was properly dated, and read as follows:

"One month after date I, Henry W. Jones, promise to pay to A. B. Builder the sum of Seventy-eight and 33/100 Dollars at the Mercantile Bank here."

The entire note was in the customer's handwriting, but it was not signed at the end.

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New Rabbet and Router Plane

HERE is an up-to-date rabbet and router plane, gauge and marker which offers simplicity, accuracy and economy for the performance of the work for which it is intended. It is described as being particularly adaptable for setting hinges and locks, making an absolutely perfect insert base, both as to width and depth and positively eliminating any possibility of hinges or hasps not seating perfectly.



A Highly Simple and Accurate Rabbet and Router Plane Adaptable to Various Kinds of Work.

It is also valuable as a rabbet plane for fine and intricate work and adaptable for many places where other planes could not reach. The gauge is also used as a handy square. The bit is adjustable up and down and has a range of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch below the bottom surface running exactly the same width, $\frac{3}{4}$ inch, as the base of the plane. The weight of the complete plane is only 12 ounces.



Light Efficient Shingle Cutter

FOR contractors and roofers who apply asbestos shingles the tool shown here will be a welcome addition to available equipment. This is a new shingle cutter which, because of certain new features, is light in weight and easy to handle, while doing thoroughly effective work.

The principle of hinging two knife bars at one end and a toggle power movement at the other produces a suitable



This Light Shingle Cutter Is Easily Handled on the Roof, But Is Very Effective.

power leverage and provides a greater angle in the relation of the two blades during the shearing motion. This reduces the stress upon the knife bars, thereby lessening the springing tendency, and permits the lighter construction. Formerly a large per-

centage of the weight of cutters was required, not against any possible breakage of the tool, but to prevent the springing of the knife bars, which would be detrimental to the performance of the cutter.

Another feature of this cutter is the type and quality of the blades. The double bevel, or "V" shaped, knife has double material or stock to support the cutting edge and, therefore, maintains a keen edge longer. The quality of the material, however, is equally as important and requires a special steel, correctly hardened and tempered.

This cutter accommodates all styles and sizes of asbestos shingles, including the various thicknesses of tapered shingles. It can be operated by either pulling or pushing the handle, whichever position is most convenient, and the blades are visible from both sides, making it unnecessary for the operator to step over the cutter for making any cuts.



Self-Contained Portable Saw

JUST about the last word in portability is what describes the saw illustrated here, for it is completely self-contained and is provided with a handle so one man may carry it like a piece of baggage. At the same time, when in operation, it is a machine which can be depended upon



A Thoroughly Efficient Saw Which Is Self-Contained and Can Be Carried Like a Piece of Baggage Where Desired.

for speed and accuracy. It is well constructed and sturdy and will handle lumber up to three-inch thickness.

This saw is equipped with a $\frac{1}{4}$ H.P., high efficiency motor, mounted on a movable base, and equipped with 10-foot extension cord for making the power connection. It is controlled by a tumbler type, safety switch. The power is transmitted to a special alloy steel saw shaft mounted on genuine Swedish bearings, by means of special endless, high speed belt. Regular equipment includes a gauge for grooving, crosscut and ripping gauges graduated to 90 degrees and interchangeable for right or left hand use, and crosscut and rip saws.



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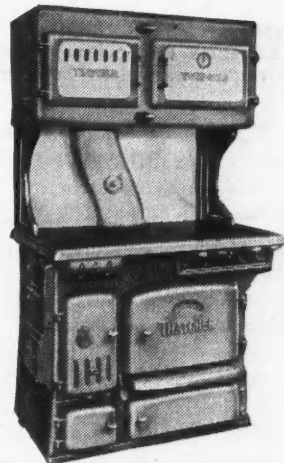


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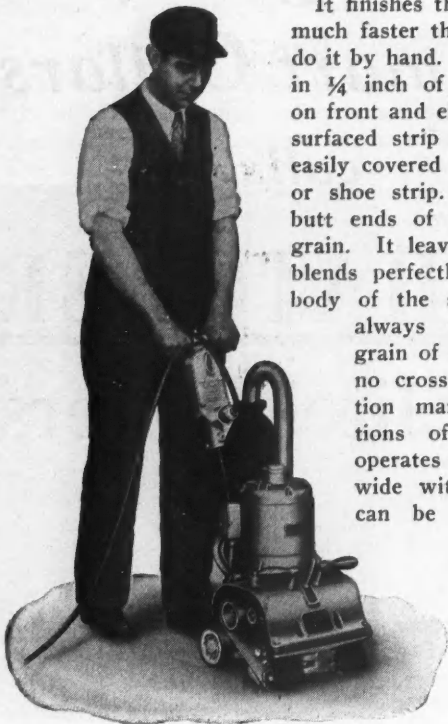
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Floor Edger Perfected

EVERY floor man who has ever done hand scraping and finishing has looked forward to the time when some machine would make this hand work unnecessary, for it is the hardest and most costly sort of labor. Yet such labor has always been necessary, ever since sanding machines have been in general use, in order to finish the edges of floors which could not be reached by the drum sander.

Now, as may be seen from the illustration, an edger has been perfected and placed on the market which entirely changes all this. The manufacturers list "ten exclusive features" for this machine. They are:



An Edging Machine That Is More Than an Edger Is Especially Adapted to Small Contractors to Finish Entire Floors.

It finishes the edges complete much faster than an expert can do it by hand. It surfaces within $\frac{1}{4}$ inch of 90-degree angles on front and either side, the un-surfaced strip of $\frac{1}{4}$ inch being easily covered by quarter round or shoe strip. It surfaces the butt ends of a floor with the grain. It leaves a finish which blends perfectly with the main body of the sanded floor. It always works with the grain of the wood, leaving no cross scratches, vibration marks or imperfections of any kind. It operates in space 28 inches wide with the grain. It can be fitted with two

grades of abrasive belts so that it roughs and finishes at one time. It has a powerful vacuum system that effectively collects the dust. It is powerful enough to be

practical yet light and compact enough so it can be easily transported by one man. It is made of the highest grade material, aluminum construction throughout, including motor housing.

While the machine is named as an edge sanding machine the manufacturers state that it is a real floor surfacer and capable of completely finishing a room, center, edges, closets and door openings, faster and better than three men can scrape it by hand. It weighs but 98 pounds, but the quality of work is smooth and steady and the surface produced absolutely perfect. Because of this broad ability it is said to be especially suited to the needs of the small building contractor who builds only a few houses each year and usually does the work himself. If he does not care to invest in a large, fast-cutting floor machine, he may do all of his floor work, including edges, with this machine without hand work.



New Low Price on Insulating Lath

FOR years, there has been on the market a plaster base of bevelled wood lath and fibre backing. It has been a favored plaster reinforcement of many of the leading architects, contractors, plasterers, and builders. They have recommended and demanded it because it insulates the wall, strengthens the wall, and is designed to hold the plaster wall intact and free from cracking over a period of years.

The price of this special material has always been \$45.00 to \$50.00 per thousand feet, and at that price has been in good demand.

Now, however, the manufacturers announce a cut of 50 per cent. At \$25.00 per thousand feet this is one of the building sensations of 1928.

This insulating lath is a combination of units. The base consists of heavy waterproof fiber board. This is given a coat of asphalt mastic, making it proof against moisture. Into this asphalt mastic, beveled wood bars are imbedded under pressure.

These combined units produce a plaster reinforcement of great strength and rigidity; and a shield that is impregnable against the elements.

The wedge-shaped interlocking wood lath bars hold the plaster in an inverted wedge clasp with a grip that lasts for decades. This method of interlocking the plaster and the lath reinforcement welds the entire wall and ceiling into a single unit of strength and rigidity. In addition, it provides a wall that has positive sound-deadening qualities, enabling the builder of apartments to get higher rentals, assuring more perfect acoustics in public halls, and guaranteeing to the home builder a new degree of refined privacy.

This insulating lath is said to save 25 per cent or more of the plastering materials, because the wedge-lock key construction requires less plaster, and the asphalt fiber board backing prevents plaster from going through and falling down.

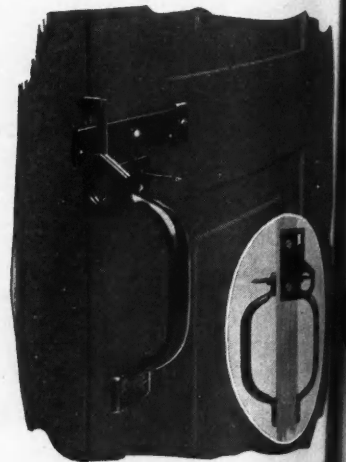
It is claimed that the use of this lath saves fuel bills. Because it is such a good non-conductor of heat and cold, a more uniform temperature is easily maintained.

Some interesting information will be mailed to those of our readers inquiring about this insulating lath material now selling at half its former cost.

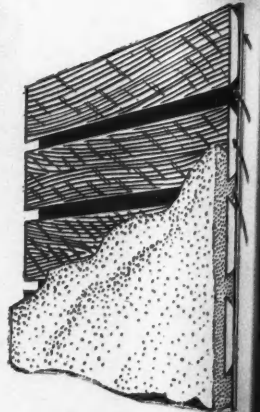


New Improved Door Latch

A NEW latch has recently been added to the line of a well-known manufacturer. It is stated that this latch possesses several features that make it unusual. Two large and yet graceful handles are provided, one for each side of the door. The thumb pieces are close enough to the handles to make unlatching easy for the smallest hand. A hole, ample for any size padlock, is provided in both the slide and the strike. The patented "positive" latching feature of this line of locks is also incorporated in this new type. No matter how hard the door is slammed this latch never fails to catch and hold the door shut, it is claimed.



Here Is a New Door Latch With Number of Unusual Features.



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Sound Deadening Tile

SOUND is reflected back from ordinary wall and ceiling surfaces much as light is reflected by mirrors. Because of the constantly increasing noise of modern cities the control or deadening of noise has become an important item in the design of building of many types and constant efforts are being made to develop new and better methods of sound insulation.



This Sound Deadening Tile Is a Perforated Metal Frame In Which Insulating Material Is Inserted.

These methods of sound control are all based on the principle of absorption. If you paint a mirror black there will be no reflection of light. In much the same way applying sound absorbing materials to walls, ceilings and floors absorbs the sound and makes the room more quiet. Various materials absorb sound to various degrees. Some absorb as high as 70 per cent of the sound that strikes them.

A device has recently been developed and marketed for attaching high sound absorbing materials to walls and ceilings. As illustrated here, this is a perforated sheet of metal which allows sound to pass through as through a screen. Back of this form there is placed the sound-absorbing material, any of several different types being suitable, the whole piece forming a tile 16 inches square and about one inch thick.

This tile is securely attached to the ceiling by means of special Tee section strips which are attached to the ceiling on 16-inch centers and into which the tiles lock rigidly. The Tees are completely concealed in the finished surface and the surface can be repainted or redecorated indefinitely without reducing the sound-absorbing factor noticeably. It can be taken down and salvaged if desired and removed to another location. It can also be sponged off and kept clean at all times. Either a metal or light wood plaster



These Tile Are Attached to the Ceiling by Inserting in Metal Tee Stripes Which Lock Them Rigidly in Place.

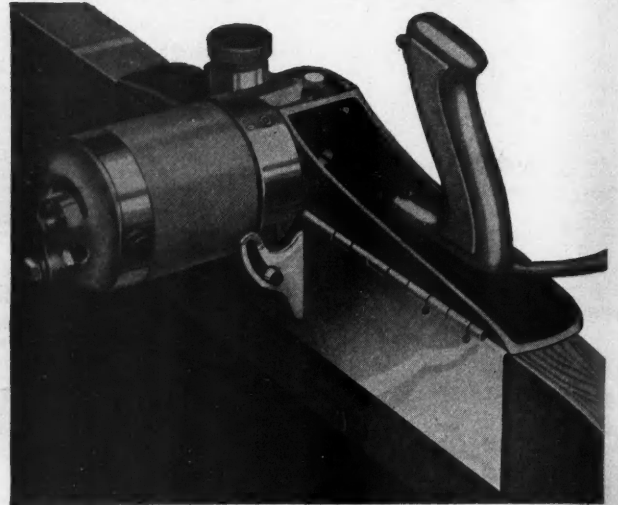
moulding can be used to finish off the edges and the tile can be obtained with either beveled or plain squared edge.



A New Power Hand Plane

AFTER nearly three years of experimental and development work a company which has for the past eight years been devoted to the production of high grade portable woodworking machines, has perfected a power hand plane that is fast enough to produce cuts on doors, transoms, sash, etc., in fitting to the opening, and sturdy enough to stand the continuous abuse of work of this nature, yet light enough to be termed a truly portable machine in every sense of the word.

This machine weighs but 9½ pounds and, it is said,



A Power Hand Plane Which Is Both Fast and Sturdy and Can Be Converted Into a Small Jointer by Means of a Bench Bracket.

can be operated easily with one hand, as the switch is right in the handle. The side apron is fully and instantly adjustable for cutting from square edges to 45 degree bevels, with a proper stop provided for the return of the apron to its original square position immediately.

The motor is a specially constructed, universal type, operating on either A.C. or D.C. current and develops full ¾ H.P. with current from a lamp socket. It has a speed of 18,000 R.P.M., and with a spiral cutter of three teeth 54,000 cutting edges are cutting every minute, insuring smooth work and eliminating the necessity of scraping or sanding.

There is also a complete grinding attachment supplied with each machine, that grinds the cutter keeping it like new. This requires but a few moments to do. The machine is fully adjusted to compensate for any wear of the cutter. The dial shown at the front of the machine is direct reading and may be adjusted either while cutting or before starting work.

A bench bracket is also supplied as regular equipment which converts the machine, in a moment, into a speedy little bench jointer. The cutters are full 25/16 inches wide, permitting the fitting of all doors, transoms or sash, on any building operation. The saving of time and labor, and hence expense, through the use of this machine is said to be large, and at the same time the hard, tedious work of hand fitting is eliminated.



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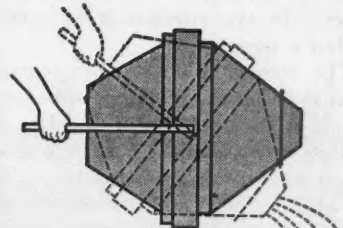
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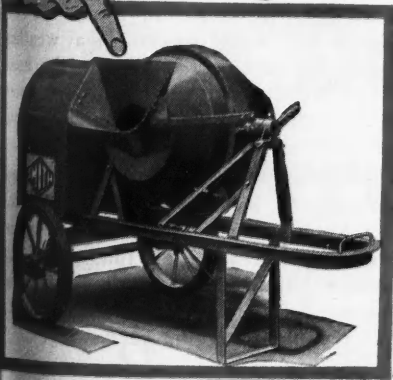


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Materials can be shoveled into the batch hopper on the Smith Mascot faster and easier than into any other mixer of this capacity. A bigger opening—lower down—at a better angle. Less effort required and workmen stay "on the job" in hot weather. Another Smith advantage.

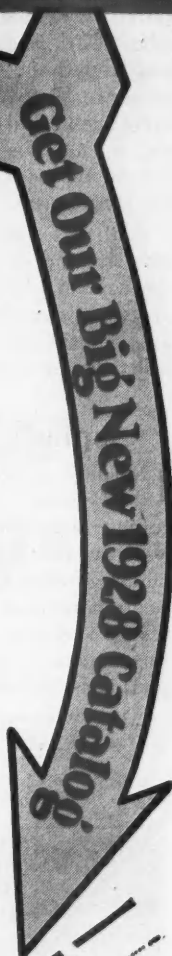
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A Burglar-Proof Door

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The secondary door, when opened, leaves an opening which is covered by a burglar-proof bronze grill and a bronze inset screen. The grill is on the outside with the screen inserted between the grill and the hinged sash of the secondary door.

Many robberies have been committed in daytime through lack of the protection such a door offers, the story usually being: the door bell rang, the woman of the house inquired through the door or speaking tube what was wanted, the answer was "a package to deliver," "the telephone inspector," "the gas man," or some such excuse, and when the door was opened the intruder thrust himself in, the house was robbed or violence committed.

With this door, when the bell rings, only the upper sash is opened and the woman of the house is effectively protected against intrusion or attack by the grill and need open the door itself only when the caller demonstrates beyond doubt that his errand is genuine.



Asphalt Floors and Damp-Proofing

IN spite of the general acceptance of the axiom that "oil and water will not mix," there has been discovered a commercially practical method of suspending asphalt in water which opens up very interesting possibilities in the building industry. The resulting asphalt-water mixture is easily combined with sand and portland cement, forming a resilient mastic for laying water-proof, acid-proof floors, for permanent patching of holes in concrete floors, loading platforms, sidewalks, pavements, etc.

Also, without the addition of mineral aggregates, it is

used as a plaster bond, for damp-proofing walls, foundations and as a protective coating against water, moisture, acids, alkali, chemical fumes and electrolysis. The material is easily applied by any careful workman. No heating and no special tools are required. Simple mixing operations and cold application supplant the heating kettles, hot mopping and work formerly done only by experts. The protective coating, without mineral aggregates, is applied by brushing, spraying or troweling.

In the production of this material, hot liquid asphalt is broken up into globules in water to which has been added a small amount of colloidal clay. These tiny globules of asphalt are prevented from joining or sticking to each other by a thin film of dirty water. When exposed to the air, however, the minute film of water quickly evaporates and then each globule of asphalt amalgamates with the adjoining globules, forming a coating of solid gummy asphalt, exactly the same as though the asphalt has been melted and applied as a hot coating. The tiny particles of clay are imprisoned in the spaces between the globules of asphalt forming a colloidal mixture which, it is said, scientists have demonstrated adds greatly to the durability of the asphalt coating.

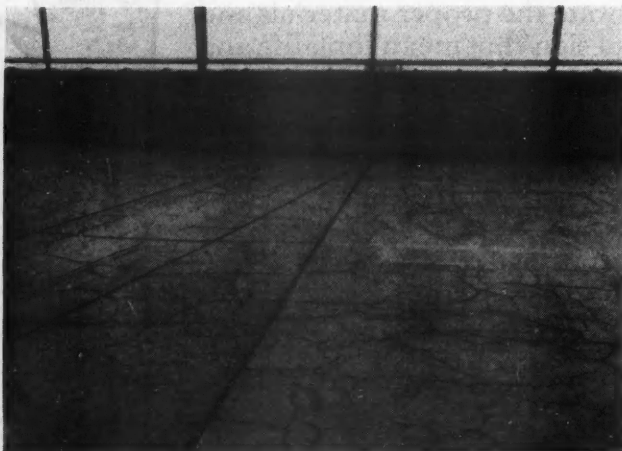
This new material is shipped in metal barrels and half barrels in the form of a heavy, thick paste, which can

be used as it is diluted with water to any consistency desired. It can be used over wet surfaces, in fact, better binding is secured when the base is wet or damp. It sets readily and dries within a few hours under normal weather conditions. As it is odorless and tasteless it can be used for waterproofing cold storage rooms, refrigerators, water tanks, etc., and since it contains no volatile, inflammable solvents, it can be used with safety in unventilated spaces.

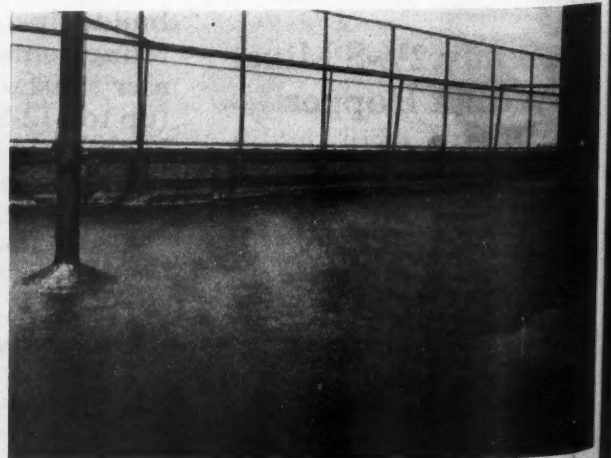
Being very sticky and adhesive it bonds securely to any solid surface—wood, concrete, brick, tile, plaster, stucco, iron, steel or glass. As it forms the same coating as asphalt applied hot, it is water, acid and fume proof, an excellent electric insulator and remains elastic and ductile under varying weather conditions, and will stand comparatively high temperatures without sagging or flowing.



With the Metal Grill Protection the Danger of Burglars Is Eliminated for the Housewife.

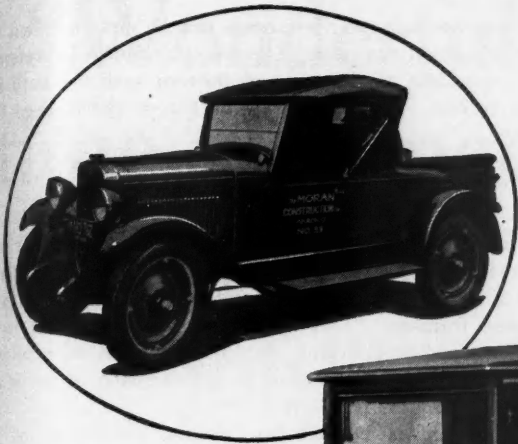


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Simple Effective Screen Lock

AN interesting and useful little device, shown in the illustration, has been placed on the market. It is in the nature of a lock for use on window screens, storm sash and the like and is intended to eliminate the necessity for outside installing of these. The device is a single piece of metal having two prongs so that it can hook either right or left as desired. The inside prong, not intercepting in the keeper, serves for a handle to hold the screen and turn the lock into the proper position where it grips from one point, pulls and also draws sideways. It is ornamental and easily installed.



This Simple Little Device Is an Effective and Economical Screen Fastener.

When this device has been installed, screens and storm sash can be taken off on the inside of the windows for cleaning glass and replacing again. It is a safeguard for burglary because it cannot be taken off from the outside until the locks are released. It can be placed on sides or corners where it is

difficult if not impossible to install the more familiar locks.

When screens are installed with these locks the outside appearance of the building is not marred by unsightly hangers and the use of ladders, which damage the lawn and shrubbery, is eliminated. To prevent children tamper-

ing with the locks, both screws can be drawn down to a clinch in locked position. The locks are placed, preferably, near the middle of the top and bottom sash, on both sides of the screen. Either a screw or screw eye is used for a fastener.

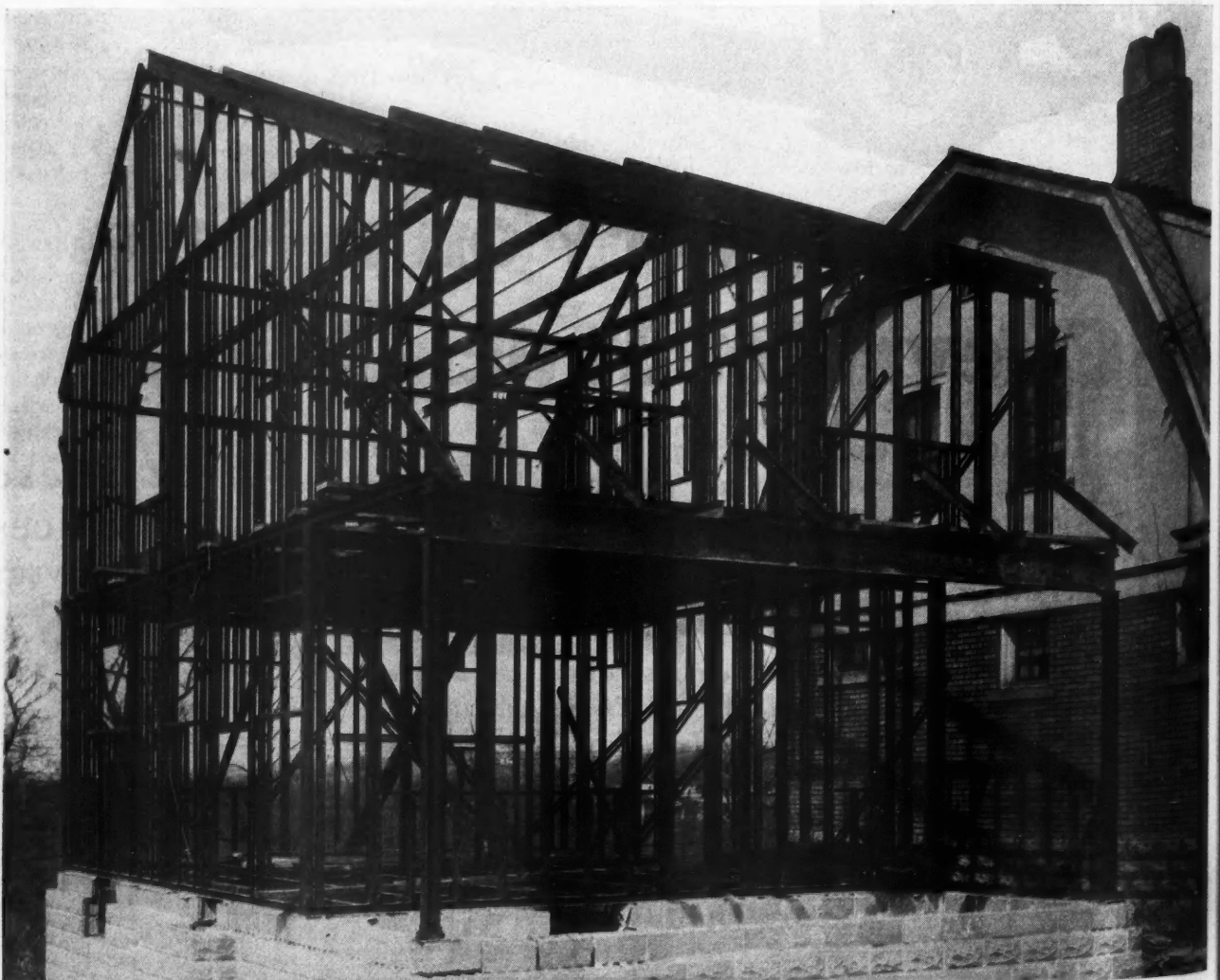


New Steel Framing System

A SUBSIDIARY of one of the largest steel fabricating companies in the world has developed what is claimed to be a thoroughly practical and greatly improved system of house framing. This system makes it possible to produce standard steel frame members at such an economical cost that a steel frame house is within reach of every modern home builder, it is said.

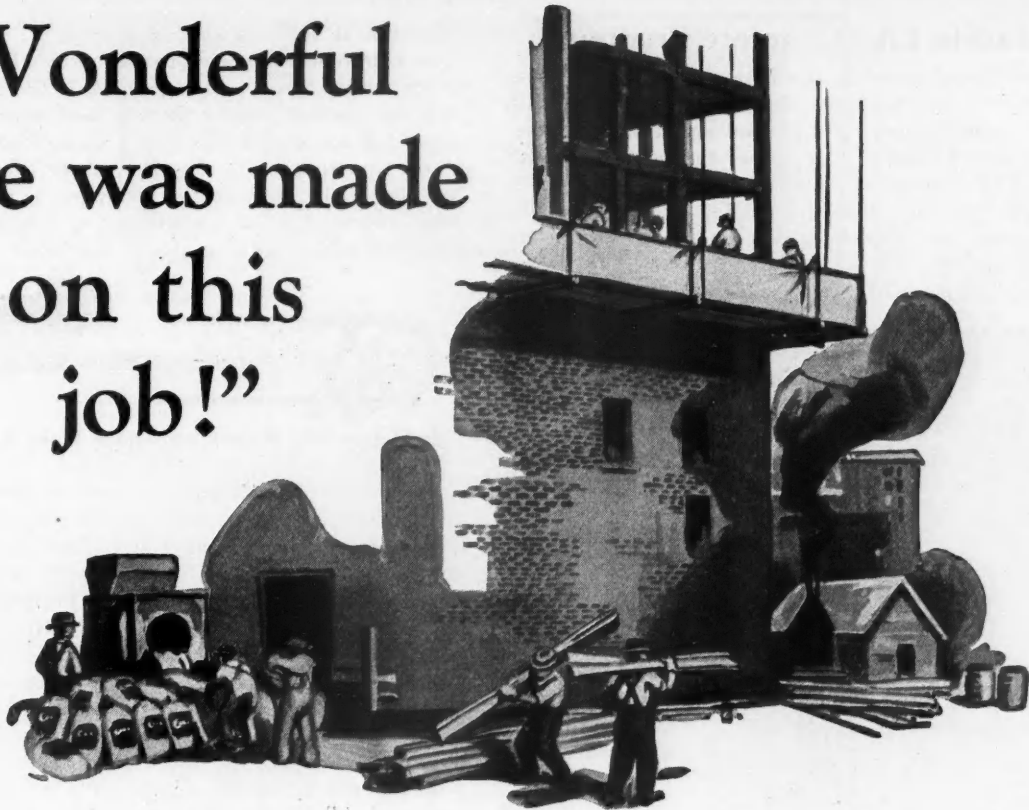
The system is remarkably simple, consisting of units composed of standard rolled steel sections. The method of punching and assembling provides unlimited construction possibilities and also provides an easy means for attaching the building material.

The first cost of this steel framing is slightly higher than wood but the saving in labor and the rapidity with which it can be erected is said to offset the difference in material cost, not to mention the added degree of permanence, rigidity, fire safety and freedom from shrinkage. A catalog describing this new method of house framing entitled "Steel Framing for Dwellings," is available to home builders and contractors. Address requests to the Editor What's New Department.



This House Frame Has Been Fabricated from Units Composed of Standard, Rolled Steel Sections in Accordance with a Newly Perfected System Which, It Is Said, Brings the Total Cost of Construction to a Point Well Within the Reach of All Home Builders.

“Wonderful
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BRYANT & DETWILER, contractors on the new Harper Hospital, Detroit, sent the “Swinging Scaffold” back 30 days sooner than originally planned.

Wm. Brown, the mason foreman, stated that, “wonderful time was made on this work. At the peak, there were 76 bricklayers, and 2 men mixed all the Carney mortar”. This alone represents a sizeable saving.

The masons, too, were well pleased with the butter-like manner in which the Carney mortar worked on the salt-glaze brick—and the joints proved exceptionally tight.

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WHEN WRITING ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THE AMERICAN BUILDER

A Marble-Like Concrete Product

THE illustration shows an installation of a building material, made in various forms of mouldings, bases, panels, wainscoting and flooring. Its general appearance is practically the same as marble. It carries the same distinctive coloring and is surfaced with a permanent high polish. It is set in exactly the same way that marble is set. Basically, it is of concrete construction, poured into molds and chemically processed by a special patented formula.

It is stated that impartial tests have shown this material to be 1.75 times as hard as marble and, being a manufactured material, it contains no fissures. Neither marble chip nor dust are used in its manufacture so that there is no possibility of pieces of its surface working loose or fissures gradually wearing into its surface.

It is produced in such form as to be practically an exact reproduction of various types of marble. It is non-porous and entirely impenetrable and therefore cannot be affected by moisture. Even ultra-violet rays do not affect its color. It can be used anywhere that marble is used and makes a rich, permanent installation of moulding or trim.

In addition to its strength and beauty it is also more economical than marble. It is less expensive in first cost and, being lighter in weight, saves in the foundations, footings and steel structure. It is, to be exact, 22½ per cent lighter than marble. On account of its uniform consistency it will not crack, flake or chip. It is designed and manufactured in every form to meet every requirement of construction and setting.

The manufacturers of this material maintain a service department to co-operate with architects and builders. They offer to make a survey and quote prices on any type of building, plans of which are submitted to them, and return the plans within 36 hours, furnishing, at the same time, detailed cost of installing.

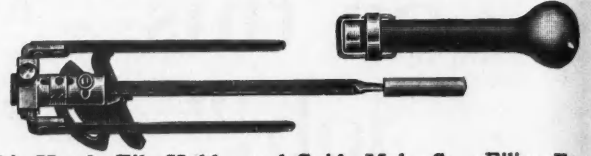


Device for Perfect Saw Filing

TO obtain a fine cutting saw it is necessary that it be filed with the proper combination of angles and the work be accurately performed. This is very difficult to accomplish free hand, but with the saw filer shown in the

illustration it becomes an easy matter.

Some woodworkers are puzzled as to why their saws do not cut satisfactorily although filed at the same bevel and pitch as a fellow worker files his and obtains perfect cutting. The reason for this is not so difficult to understand if you stop to analyze it. The owner of the satisfactory saw files at the right degree of incline, quite often without being aware of it, and maintains it throughout the saw. Naturally a fine working saw is the result.



This Handy File Holder and Guide Make Saw-Filing Easy.

The owner of the unsatisfactory saw files at exactly the same bevel and pitch, but with no regard whatever for the inclined. He files anywhere from a horizontal position to a 35 degree incline and with all the variations between the two extremes. The consequence is a great multiplicity of different shaped teeth. No one could expect such a saw to cut efficiently.

This is not the only reason why a saw does not cut but it is the principal one, at least that is the case where the bevel and pitch can't get away from you. If the three positions, that is, the bevel, pitch and incline, are not properly combined the result will be unsatisfactory no matter if the filing is done with great accuracy. There is a great deal said about nice uniform teeth, but uniform teeth mean nothing unless they are of the proper shape.

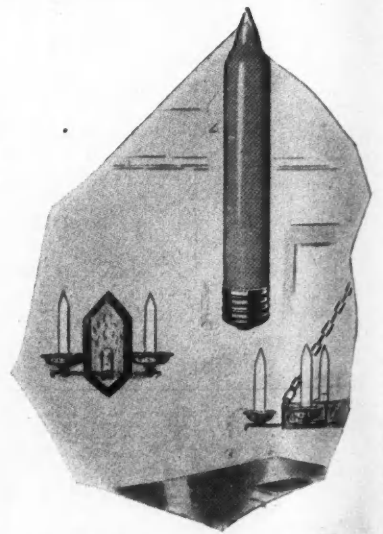
The perfect results obtained with this filer are due to the fact that all three positions, the bevel, pitch and incline, are assured and in addition to this the depth is also assured.



Candle-Like Electric Lamps

IN response to a demand for candle-like illumination, one manufacturer has brought out the new type of electric lamp shown in the accompanying illustration. When cold, the lamp is said to be a perfect replica of a hand-dipped candle. It lights throughout its entire length with an even light, its filament not being visible, giving an illusion of soft, mellow, candle-like light.

The lamp is made in four sizes, a 6-inch size for commercial use, side wall brackets and center ceiling chandeliers; an 8-inch size for portable fixtures, lamps, electric candle sticks, etc.; a 10-inch size for decorative lighting of public places, theaters, churches, etc., and what is known as a plus 10-inch size. The plus 10-inch lamps are of the heavy, massive type for candle stands, torches and similar fixtures. These lamps are made in 10, 25 and 40 watt rating and in all the popular shades. The manufacturers maintain a service department for the purpose of assisting manufacturers interested in designing fixtures for these lamps.



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You have undoubtedly found that home-buyers today look for complete and adequate wiring. Continuous advertising of the General Electric Wiring System has fostered and strengthened this demand.

Furthermore, they are looking for an assurance of flawless materials and perfect electrical service. It will pay you to be able to say "This house is equipped with a General Electric Wiring System!"



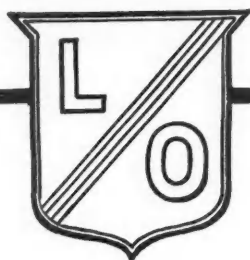
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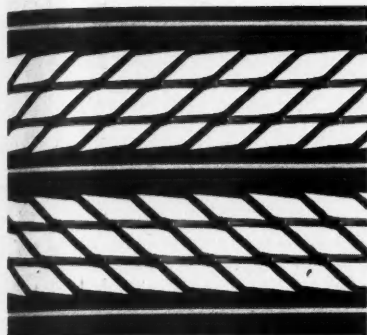
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LIBBEY-OWENS FLAT-DRAWN CLEAR SHEET GLASS FOR WINDOWS
Distributed Through Representative Glass Jobbers and Used by Sash and Door Manufacturers Everywhere

An Economical Metal Lath

A NEW steel plastering base has been developed and placed on the market for the purpose of meeting the demand for a steel plastering base sufficiently economical to permit its use in moderate priced homes and other construction where the price of the old types of metal lath does not permit its use. In appearance it resembles the well-known metal lath made by this company for years and combines the valuable qualities of both diamond mesh and ribbed laths.

The engineers have, however, incorporated certain distinctive qualities in this new product that make it so



A New Metal Lath Designed to Meet the Demand for an Economical Steel Plaster Base.

economical as to compare favorably with plaster board and wood lath. The sheets are 24 inches wide and 96 inches long. Three rows of open mesh connect the heavy, cold-drawn, 1/8 inch flat ribs which are placed 1 1/2 inches on center ribs and mesh being formed from a single piece of sheet steel. The rigidity imparted by the stiffening ribs

is increased by their wide flange, which also contributes to the mortar saving qualities of the lath, it is stated.

The lath can be furnished cut either from standard open hearth or copper bearing sheet. It is painted, bundled and shipped uncrated. The weight per square yard is three pounds and it is packed nine sheets to a bundle, weight 48 pounds. The manufacturers state that plasterers say it does not give under the trowel and that it has a stiff smooth surface so that the plaster goes on "like butter on bread." The stiffening ribs act as furring and lend strength to the entire construction, tending to assure fine, firm, non-cracking, non-streaking reinforced plaster.



A New Electric Sander

ALL of the tedious and tiring labor formerly performed with abrasive paper and elbow grease, for smoothing surfaces, can now be done more efficiently and rapidly with the new electric sander illustrated here, it is stated. The sand pad is electrically driven by a powerful motor through



Here Is a New Electric Sander Which Will Be Found a Real Labor Saver.

a train of steel gears, heat treated, and running in a grease-tight compartment. The motor and all revolving shafts are mounted on ball bearings. The sander is operated with a pistol

grip and trigger switch and it has a wide range of applications. It is made for all voltages.

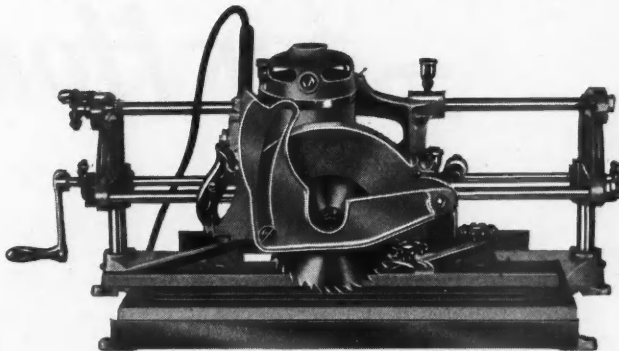


A Portable or Stationary Saw

HERE is a new woodworker which is adapted to either stationary or portable use, making it unnecessary for the builder to buy both a portable and a stationary saw. It is powered with a 1/2-h.p. electric motor, either A. C. or D. C., and plugs into any light socket, being supplied with a

10-foot cord and plug. It has hardened gears, accurately machined, incased and running in grease. All moving parts are on ball bearings.

The frame or bench is of steel and aluminum for lightness and strength, with shoulders so that it can be screwed to a bench. It allows cross-cutting of lumber up to 12



This New Machine Can Be Used as Either a Bench Saw or as a Portable Saw as May Be Required.

inches in width. The ripping gauge can be adjusted to rip strips from 1/4 inch wide to 7 inches wide. In cross-cutting the saw is pushed back and forth on the rods while in ripping it is locked in place.

Depth adjustments are easily made by a crank and when the proper depth is reached the machine is locked at this depth. Cuts can be made from 1/8 inch to 2 1/2 inches deep. With a larger saw, which can be supplied if desired, it will cut to 3 1/2 inches deep. The saw can be swung from vertical to any angle up to 45 degrees for mitering and a scale on the bevel shoulder makes it possible to set the saw for any angle desired where it can be locked for continuous use.

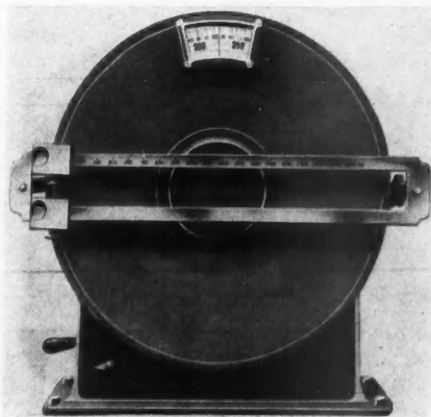
Just two nuts unfasten the saw from the frame and it then becomes a portable electric hand saw weighing but 27 pounds, with the saw blade encased in a guard and the saw operated by means of a trigger switch set into the handle. One nut removes the saw blade for sharpening and various attachments may be inserted adapting the machine to drilling, disc sanding, grinding, dadoing and cutting of light metals.



More Accurate Power Dial Scales

THIS new type of power dial scale, which is said to mark a distinct improvement in such instruments, has recently been placed on the market. This new scale incorporates the principle of a chemists' laboratory scale, long known for its extreme accuracy, with an electrically operated poise shift which automatically strikes a perfect balance. An accuracy within 1/70 of one per cent is said to be obtained.

The fact that the load on the platform does not do the work of turning the mechanism as in the ordinary type of scale is given as one of the reasons for its great accuracy. This scale is adapted to any type of heavy duty beam scale and makes it possible to weigh up to 200 loads per hour.



With This Power Dial Scale an Accuracy Within One-seventieth of One Per Cent Is Obtained.

to 30,000,000 People and Heating Comfort

Another step in our million dollar campaign to increase Home-Ownership and raise America's standards of Living Comfort—

ON the opposite page is our first 1928 Springtime Message to home-buyers. This is another step in our national program to help raise America's standard of living comfort by encouraging more and better homes.

This advertisement will appear in the Saturday Evening Post of May 19th and in other publications, reaching more than 30,000,000 people during the month of May.

It is one of the most important announcements we have ever made, because it will reach hundreds of thousands of home-buyers just at the time they are considering a new home. And it will have a tremendous influence in stimulating interest in home buying.

Making America Home Conscious!

It is the attitude of millions of families towards their homes that makes a market for more and better homes. Contented and

healthy families with modern home comforts are the enthusiastic boosters who influence other families to become home owners.

Until America is made home conscious and more families are encouraged to build and buy better homes, families will continue to spend more money on luxuries than on necessities for their homes. This is our common problem and we are following in the footsteps of the builder to do our part in encouraging home ownership and raising the standards of living comfort through this million dollar educational campaign.

The message is a real service to the public. It safeguards the home comfort and health of the nation; it promotes better homes and therefore, more homes; it means, consequently, *greater sales*—and *easier sales*—for builders who can show their clients these products in the houses they construct.

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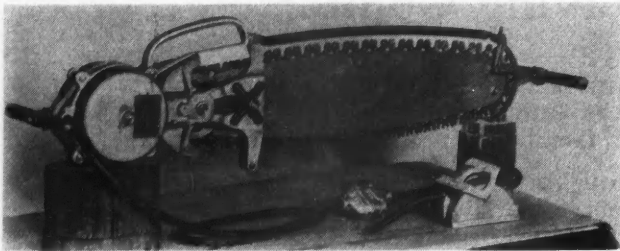
I would like to receive detailed information on how to tie up most effectively with your national campaign for better homes.

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Portable Power Saw for Heavy Timbers

THIS portable, link sawing machine is especially designed for the cutting of heavy timber in which work it has been proved highly time and labor-saving, doing the work of a hand cross cut saw at least five to 10 times as rapidly, it is stated. It is available in either air, D.C. or A.C. motor drive, to meet the requirements imposed by varying working conditions.

The A.C. type was first placed on the market and its successful operation and the demand for the service of this equipment where A.C. current was not available led to the development of the D.C. and air types. The A.C. type is equipped with a motor especially designed for this service and is dustproof and waterproof to a depth of two feet. It operates on either 100 or 220 volts, 60 cycle, 3 phase, alternating current and has a capacity of 24-inch diameter timber. It weighs approximately 90 pounds.



For Sawing Timbers This Power Saw, Which Can Be Used Under Water, Is a Time and Labor Saver.

The D.C. type also has a specially designed motor operating on 110 or 230 volts direct current and weighs about 100 pounds. Otherwise its specifications are practically the same as those of the A.C. type. The air motor type has a special motor designed to operate from a 5 by 5½ compressor of well known make or machine of equal capacity, maintaining a tank pressure of not less than 80 pounds. Its capacity is, also, 24-inch timber and its weight about 95 pounds. It will operate successfully 24 feet under water.

These machines have frames of four pieces of special saw steel, heat treated and riveted together with a slot around the edge providing a track for the saw links to travel. The frame is held rigidly in position and an eccentric sprocket shaft provides adjustment for the tension on the chain. The links are made of high grade steel, electrically heat treated and are easily replaced. A foot control switch housed in an aluminum and copper casting controls the A.C. type while the control for the D.C. and air types is mounted on the motor end of the saw. The upper section of the saw teeth has a guard which passes through the cut with the saw. The strength of the chain, in relation to the pull of the motor, gives a very liberal safety factor, while a sheer pin on the sprocket shaft protects the machine from sudden shocks or strains.

This saw will be found particularly valuable on mill construction and on all building which involves much sawing of heavy timber or trimming piles.



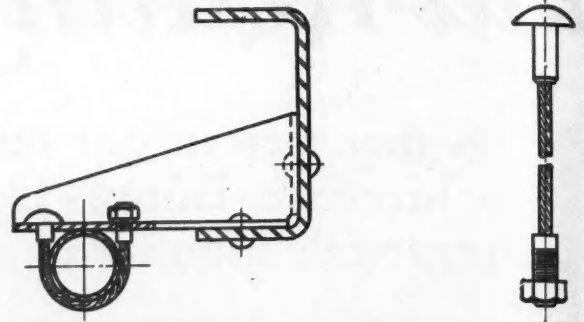
Flexible Wire Rope Bolts

THROUGH the development of the preformed type of wire rope, which makes possible the attachment of fittings by the processing method that compels the fitting to become an integral part of the rope, there has recently been perfected and placed on the market the flexible bolt shown in the accompanying illustration.

These new bolts may be used in countless places in and around the mill or plant or in any place where rigid "U" bolts are impractical. They are used as auxiliary hangers for power shafts suspension brackets for overhead steam or water piping, shackle bolts for temporary wall boxes

and tanks, for scaffolding and tackle, on various parts of machinery and other places where semi-flexible connections are necessary.

The principle on which the new flexible bolt rests is the preformed type of wire rope. Preforming the wires and strands to the exact helical shape they must assume in the completed rope results in a cable that does not require seizing but may be cut like a rod. This type of rope per-



Flexible, Wire Rope Bolts, Most Convenient for Many Kinds of Connections, Have Been Made Possible by the Development of Preformed Wire Rope.

mits a close fitting attachment to be slipped over the unseized end of the rope and to be processed so that the steel of the fitting cold flows into the interstices of the rope and thus becomes practically an integral part of it. Naturally such fittings can be threaded for a nut or capped for a head. The flexible bolt which has resulted from these developments is available in varying lengths.



Quick Acting Fire Station Doors

A NEW type of quick acting door was recently installed by the fire department of Hempstead, L. I., in its fire station, and has attracted considerable attention from architects and fire chiefs who have seen it in operation. This door operates in two units of two doors each, an electric motor providing the power. The entire opening is cleared in less than five seconds and the operation is noiseless and free from jar when the doors swing to the full open position.

The operation is in response to a switch thrown by the man in charge of the station, upon receipt of an alarm. The doors are opened full before the driving motor on the fire engine can be started. The Hempstead doors, shown in the accompanying illustration, are painted cream color with black trim and present a pleasing appearance in addition to their practical utility.



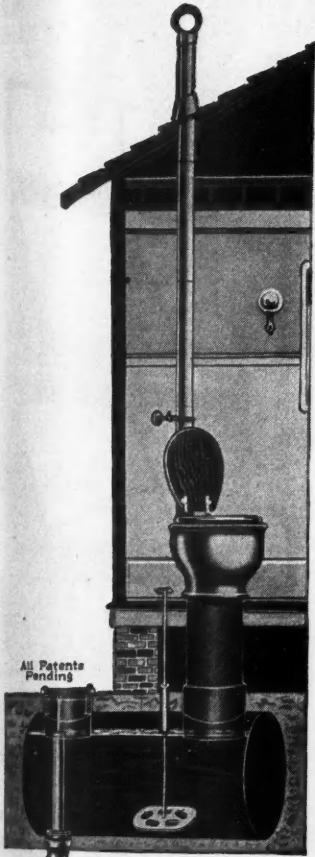
These Doors Are of a Quick Acting Type Which Has Been Found Particularly Suitable for Fire Stations.

Better Chemical Toilets

FOR homes and other buildings beyond the service of city sewage systems, an improved service, described by the manufacturers as being far in advance of anything previously offered, has been brought out. This model incorporates two important features which recommend it to health authorities, architects and owners and all others interested in building equipment. It is designed for use wherever water supply is inadequate for a plumbing system or where special care is desirable to safeguard the water supply.

This system is easy to install, requires a minimum of care and small upkeep expense, assures an absence of odors and trouble-proof service. The drop-tube, agitator and manhole collar all extend below the liquid line, thus providing a seal against odors more effective than any system of ventilation. Ninety per cent of the sewage area and consequently 90 per cent of the odors are eliminated at the source. This feature is made possible by the stationary level maintained in the self-drain type of tank.

The system normally operates as a self-drain system requiring no attention except a monthly supply of chemical. The sewage is retained until liquefied and sterilized, then discharges automatically into the filter pool. This improved type also allows the tank to be entirely emptied through a drain outlet at the end of the season or as frequently as desired.

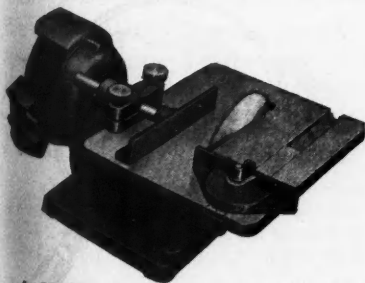


Chemical Toilets for Use Anywhere Beyond City Sewage Service Have Been Greatly Improved.

The system includes one, best grade, vitreous china bowl with oak finished, non-split seat; 12-foot ventilation (10 feet in white enamel and 2 feet galvanized) roof flange and vent cap; one storage tank of heavy galvanized iron with simple efficient mixer; full charge of chemical; toilet paper and holder; putty and roof cement. It is supplied in various sizes to meet varying requirements.



A New Electric Saw Table



A New Electric Saw Table Designed To Be Used with This Company's Combination Grinder.

Work can be sawed accurately on any angle up to 45 degrees. The table can be raised or lowered to fit all requirements. Wood can be

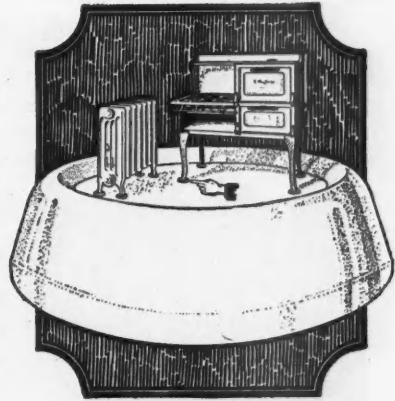
THE new electric saw table illustrated here has been devised to materially extend the scope and usefulness of the electric combination grinder manufactured by this company. This handy saw table can be quickly mounted on the grinder. Work can be sawed accurately on any angle up to 45 degrees. The table can be raised or lowered to fit all requirements. Wood can be

sawed up to 1 3/4-inch thickness and machine will also saw aluminum, brass, copper, bakelite, fiber and similar materials with surprising rapidity, it is stated. The saw table is sold separately or in combination with the grinder.



Colored Porcelain Leg Rests

LEG rests for use with stoves, kitchen cabinets, refrigerators, radio cabinets—as insulators, radiators and furniture, are being manufactured of porcelain which is said to be stronger than glass. At the same time they offer an opportunity for variations in color to harmonize with room decoration and add to the attractiveness of the room. The colors available are white, black, green, gray, blue and brown. There are two styles, with curved and straight sides, and both styles may be had in all these colors.



These Leg Rests Are of Porcelain in a Variety of Colors and Serve to Protect Fine Flooring.



Adjustable Knockdown Horses

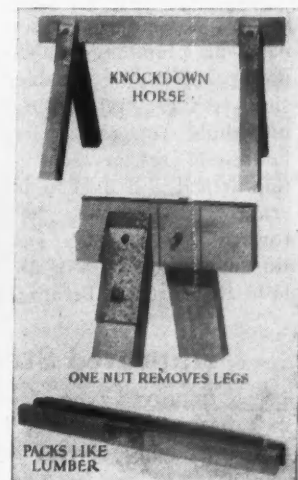
HORSES are very handy when they are needed, but they are always in the way when not in use. Every job uses various heights of horses. Carpenters, plasterers, decorators and other workmen carry with them several sets to suit their needs and, in many cases, when done with them, they have to be left behind for want of room to carry or store them. This difficulty is entirely overcome by the use of the knockdown horses pictured here.

These horses are adjustable to any ceiling height, reducing the number of horses required on any job. They can be adjusted to a fraction of an inch. On stairways, landings or uneven floors they always stand rigid and eliminate all danger of falling. When the work is completed they can be taken down in a few moments and a half dozen of them take up less room than one of the ordinary type.

The design of the hardware makes possible a light, strong, neat horse. The plates are stamped of 16-gauge, galvanized iron and shaped to hold the legs rigid in perfect position, making it entirely safe for the workmen. The extensions are made of 20-gauge galvanized iron to receive the legs. By loosening the wing nut, a leg can be raised or lowered to suit the conditions.



These Adjustable Horses Will Be Found Economical, Convenient, Compact, and Safe.



New Dry Refrigeration

A NEW refrigerant has been placed on the market which gives promise of bringing about radical changes in refrigerator installations, both commercial and household. This new refrigerant is solid carbon dioxide, a solid form of the harmless and odorless gas which is used to charge all carbonated beverages. The properties of solid carbon dioxide have been known for many years, but it is only recently that simple and economical methods of manufacturing it have made it available commercially.

Carbon dioxide gas can be liquefied under sufficient pressure and may then be frozen, converting it to a substance resembling snow. It is then compressed into cakes of convenient size, 10 by 10 by 10 inches, and weighing approximately 40 pounds each. The temperature of this solid is rated by the Bureau of Standards at 114.5 degrees Fahrenheit



A New Type of Refrigerant Is Being Produced Here, Frozen Carbon Dioxide in Solid Form, Which Has a Temperature of 114.5° Below Zero and on Melting Leaves no Moisture.

heit below zero. It melts to a gas, heavier than air, and without any moisture. The rate of melting when uninsulated is about the same as for water ice, but when insulated its melting rate is remarkably low.

The blocks of refrigerant are packed and shipped in or delivered in boxes made of balsa wood, which is lighter than cork board, insulates as effectively and requires no metal lining. It is kept in a balsa wood storage box specially designed for the purpose.

This material is already being used extensively in the shipment of perishables and, with it as a refrigerant, ice cream is being successfully shipped from New York to Havana, Cuba, and delivered in perfect condition. In the approved storage box a 40-pound piece of refrigerant will last from one to two weeks.

Ice cream dispensing cabinets for utilizing this refrigerant at soda fountains have already been developed. This eliminates all plumbing connections, drains, etc., and there are no repair bills, no machinery and no moisture to cause corrosion. As yet the manufacturers are not ready to place a household refrigerator on the market and the ordinary household refrigerator is so constructed as to make it impractical and uneconomical for use with the new refrigerant. Much work has already been done, however, toward developing a suitable household refrigerator and this new material will undoubtedly be available for household installations before long.



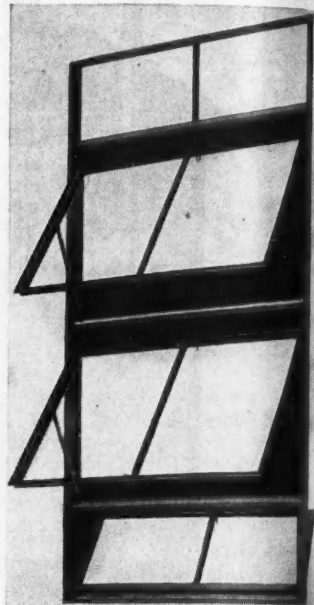
Improved Steel Office Windows

A N improved type of office window, manufactured from heavy, solid rolled, steel, casement window sections, and embodying several new features of design, is being

offered. Among the unusual features of this window the following are listed; internal, double baffle designed to secure a generous overlay and effective weathering contact equal to the best casement types; outside glazing, producing a casement finish inside, without the necessity of glazing beads; a sliding-projecting movement of ventilators, insuring uniform ease of operation with vent stopped at any given angle of opening; open-in ventilators at the sill to supply ventilation, while protecting the interior from weather, and upper ventilators that may be tilted beyond the horizontal to provide an easy means of cleaning all glass from the inside of the building.

The hardware for these windows is of light, coinage bronze. The upper vent has a bronze pole ring at the top and a bronze cam action handle on the bottom rail. The lower, open-in vent, is equipped with a bronze latch.

In connection with the marketing of this window the manufacturers maintain an Architectural Service Department, composed of architects specially trained to assist in the proper designing of the windows of large buildings. Members of this department co-operate with architects working from the headquarters at the factory or, when necessary, in the architects' own drafting room.



These Office Windows, of Heavy, Solid Rolled Steel, Embody a Number of Improved Features.



Lead Coated Sheet Steel Roofing

IN many buildings where a sheet metal roof would otherwise have been most desirable it has been necessary to use concrete, slate, tile or composition materials because of the deteriorating effect of acid fumes or salt air on sheet steel. There is now, however, a type of sheet metal roofing which eliminates this objection and makes sheet metal available for roofing and siding under all conditions. This material is a copper content, sheet steel, coated on both sides with pure lead, presenting a smooth, uniform, impermeable surface without break or flaw.

The lead surface of these sheets is unusually thick, soft, level and easy to work. The sheets are produced in standard sizes of corrugated roofing and siding and other roofings and flat sheets in numbers 12 to 28 gauge. The process of manufacture assures against flaking or peeling of the lead surface. The material presents a most desirable combination of roofing qualities at a moderate cost with long and dependable service assured.



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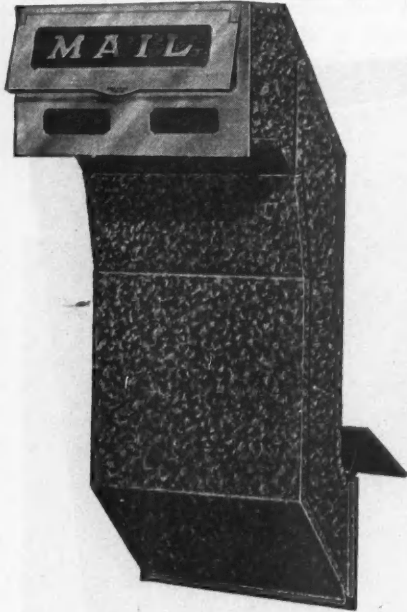
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Built-in Mail Boxes Improved

A NUMBER of improvements have been made in a well-known line of built-in mail boxes and chutes. These boxes, as illustrated here, are now made with a front which exactly fits into the courses of a brick wall without any cutting of the brick. Also they are now made with a new and handsome, hand-hammered, Swedish gray iron finish which is furnished when desired on the fronts of all boxes made by this company.



One of a Line of Built-In Mail Boxes Which Has Recently Been Much Improved.

There is also a new side wall box added to the line which is especially adapted to duplexes and flats where an extension is necessary to deliver the mail through a cross wall.

These boxes are made for both frame and brick construction, the former adjustable to wall thicknesses of 6 to 9½ inches and the latter adjustable for wall thicknesses of 9½ to 14 inches. They can be had with the door bell incorporated in the mail box front if desired and either with or without a

place for inserting the name of the owner. They have a depth sufficient to prevent any danger of the pilfering of mail and the inner door is so hinged that the weight of excessive mail will open it, eliminating any possibility of the box becoming stuffed or clogged.



Composition Wood Carvings

AN interesting line of wood carvings is illustrated here. These carvings have been on the market for many years and have been proven by the test of time to be a highly satisfactory and economical product for the use of builders, cabinet makers and furniture manufacturers. They are a wood composition which is practically unbreakable and does not chip or crack. They can be shipped safely anywhere, without damage and can even be struck with a hammer without damage.



Carvings of Wood Composition Are Economical, Unbreakable and Highly Satisfactory.

These carvings are carried in stock ready for immediate shipment, as they do not deteriorate with age, and are available in various woods, oak, mahogany, walnut, gum and birch. They

have excellent detail and depth of grain and are as sharp as high grade hand carvings. They are, however, much less expensive than hand carvings, and so make possible greater economy and profit to the user.

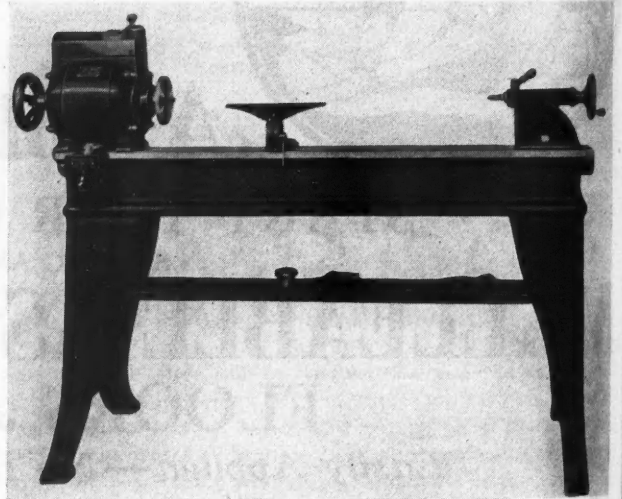


A Lathe in Three Sizes

THIS new, union, motor in head, speed lathe has recently been placed on the market by a leading manufacturer of machinery. It is built in three sizes. The multi-speed, ball bearing motor, of ½ H.P. provides for spindle speeds of 570 R.P.M., 1,140 R.P.M., 1,725 R. P. M. and 3,450 R.P.M., can be supplied for either two or three phase, 50 or 60 cycle.

The beds furnished with the three sizes of lathe are four feet two inches, five feet four inches and six feet four inches long, cast in one piece and machined the entire length. The machines swing work 26 inches, 40 inches and 52 inches, respectively, between centers. The height to the top of the bed is 36 inches and from bed to center six inches. The machine handles work up to 12 inches in diameter over the bed and 9½ inches over the tool rest. Heavy cast legs provide a rigid support to the bed, eliminating all vibration and a shelf is located below the bed in a most convenient position.

These machines are equipped with a perfectly designed, rigidly and accurately constructed tailstock which may be located in position or released from fixed position by a half turn of a special wrench with which the machine is equipped. The tailstock spindle is 1 5/16 inches in diameter, bored for a No. 2 Morse taper. Adjustments are made by



Here Is a New Speed Lathe, Built in Three Sizes to Meet a Wide Variety of Requirements.

means of a conveniently located hand wheel and the spindle is held rigidly in place by a quarter turn of the lever provided for this purpose.

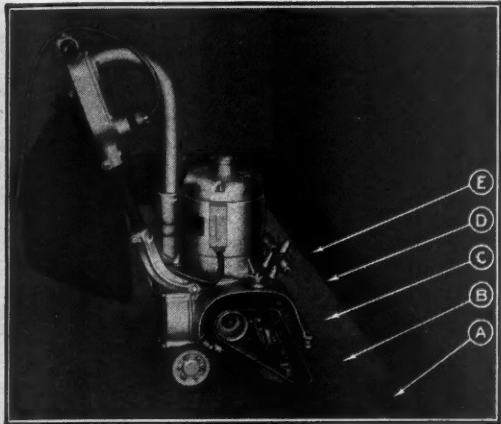
The headstock is the highest grade, polyphase, multi-speed motor which could be purchased with speed controls conveniently mounted integral with the motor. Four distinct stator windings are provided and each winding produces maximum power at its particular speed. The motor shaft acts as the spindle of the lathe and is threaded on each end for a face plate. The motor control referred to is built as an integral part of the motor and regulates the motor speeds while a switch mounted directly underneath the motor on the lathe bed provides for starting and stopping.



The Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., 1 Madison Ave., New York City, has published a booklet under the title, "Safety—Preventing Commercial Vehicle Accidents," which should interest all operators of commercial vehicles.

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 D— $\frac{1}{4}$ " unsurfaced strip—right at base board.
 E—Shoe completely covering unsurfaced strip.

Radically Different in Design

The "American Edger" operates by means of two abrasive belts, driven by friction over surfacing shoes. This permits working right up to the base board on either side and in front of the machine. Two grits of belts can be used so that it roughs and finishes at the same time. A powerful suction system picks up every particle of dust. It's light enough for one man to carry with ease, yet powerful enough to work fast and efficiently. Full detailed description of this machine is given in our big illustrated broadside—Send for it today—it's FREE.

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It surfaces Butt Ends with the grain of the wood!

THE "American Edger" is the first great improvement in floor surfacing machines since their original invention by this company over a quarter of a century ago. It solves the last great drawback to machine floor surfacing—that of sanding edges and matching them with the center area of the floor which has been surfaced with an ordinary drum type machine.

The "American Edger" surfaces edges, butt ends, narrow hallways, closets and all places inaccessible to drum type machines, faster and better than three men working by hand. This means a great saving in labor costs is effected and a better, finer job is produced. No more light borders—no more chatter marks and other hand scraper imperfections!

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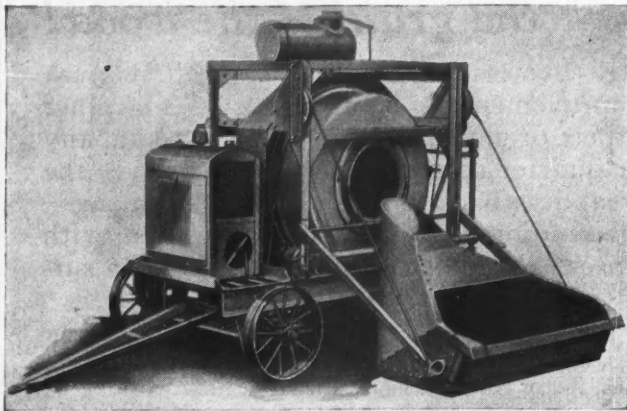
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A Greatly Improved Mixer

ONE of the pioneer manufacturers of concrete mixers has recently announced that, after many years of experiment it has ready for the market a new non-tilt mixer which embodies many improvements entirely new to this type of mixer. First, there are no struts required to stabilize this mixer when at work. It comes on the job ready to pour well mixed concrete. It is compact and rigid and will turn in a 20-foot radius.

The replaceable steel tires on the drum rollers take all of the wear as the roller track is deeply chilled cast iron, cast integral with the ring gear. It is much easier to replace one or even four roller tires than an entire roller track as is necessary where the track takes the wear. The rollers revolve on tapered roller bearings.

Steering is of the compound automobile type, strong, rugged and permitting of easy turning. Steel construction



A New, Non-Tilt Mixer, of Well Known Make, with Features Not Before Used on Mixers of This Type.

is used throughout. The mixing drum is constructed of pressed steel ends, electro-welded to a heavy steel body. The frame is built of seven-inch channels while every other part of the mixer which is subjected to strain or torsion is of steel. The all-steel skip is scientifically designed and is one of the widest ever used on a mixer.

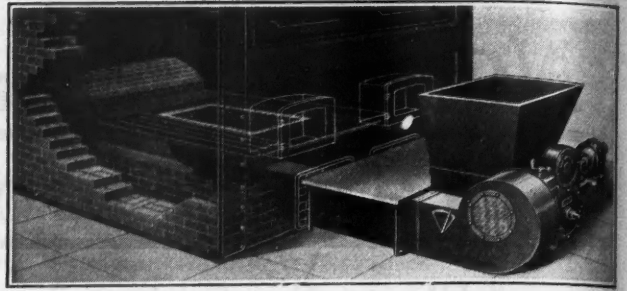
The controls are all grouped at one end of the mixer so that the operator can view both the charging and discharging side without having to move. The efficient knock-out operates as the loader skip reaches its full discharge position at an angle of 55 degrees from the horizontal.

The spool shaft has been placed under the frame and is driven directly from the countershaft through a completely enclosed worm and gear which at all times are running in a bath of oil. The exact amount of water needed for each and every batch is furnished by a newly perfected patented water tank which discharges into the drum at the rate of two gallons per second. This tank makes easy the rapidly growing acceptance of the water cement ratio method for concrete control.

Efficient Automatic Coal Burner

THE demand for an automatic coal burning device which would efficiently burn the cheaper grades of coal, both for heating and power purposes, and eliminate smoke, has resulted in the development of a new device so designed and constructed that when it feeds coal automatically to the fire bed, by the underfeed method, the fuel is evenly distributed over the entire bed.

By the uniform distribution of fuel, air holes in the fire are eliminated, insuring uniform combustion, and preventing blasts of air from impinging on the boiler. This accomplishment not only increases the efficiency of the boiler, cuts fuel costs and prevents smoke, but it makes it easier



An Automatic Coal Burning Device Making Possible the Efficient Use of the Cheap Grades of Coal for Small Boilers.

for the fireman or engineer to clean the fire. It is no longer necessary to run a slice bar constantly through the fire to even the bed. It also lessens the formation of clinkers.

One of the difficulties encountered in the past with automatic firing of small boilers, rated up to 200 H.P., has been that the automatic feed has tended to pile the fuel up at the rear of the firebed, and unevenly distributed it, resulting in the loss of heat and the creation of smoke due to incomplete combustion. In this new device it is claimed that this difficulty has been overcome by the design of the retort and the rapid impulses of the feed.

Another feature of this new coal burning device is the adaptation of an adjustable air control to the automatic operation of the stoker. This control may be applied to the burning area to provide for quick variations in quality of coal, changes in load, and changes in weather conditions. A quick and easy manual adjustment of the control immediately establishes a correct mixture of air, maintaining uniform combustion and boiler efficiency, as well as providing for emergency peak loads.

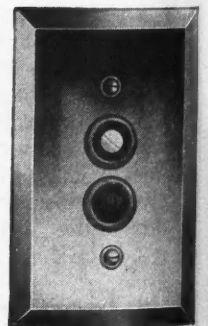


Cut Glass Switch Plates

CUT glass, mirror switch plates, made of French plate glass, cut and mirrored and also of clear glass and opal, have been brought out by a company specializing in builders' hardware and electrical specialties. These plates come in response to a demand which, though new, is already recognized as standard, for glass switch plates. Until recently a glass plate for a duplex convenience outlet was not practical but the fact that it now is has made possible the new popularity of these plates.

In these plates the tendency for the silver mirrored surface to tarnish and peel, caused by moisture in walls and the close pressure of the plates against the wall, has been entirely overcome by coating the backs with copper, making them impervious to atmospheric conditions. To offset the tendency which most metals have to tarnish when in contact with the hands these plates have the small busings finished in chromium plate which is proof against tarnish and which also protects the outlets against chipping and injury from the sharp glass edge.

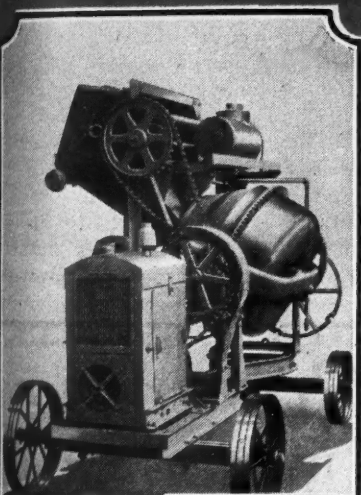
These plates are made in several styles for regular push button switches, for round metal handle tumbler switches, for square composition handle tumbler switches, for flush type receptacles, for bell push buttons and in any number of multiples and combinations, including bullseyes for pilot lights.



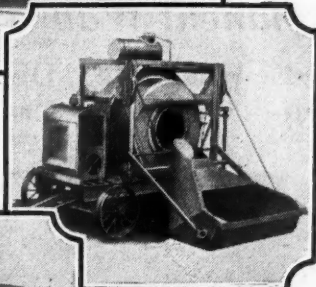
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NEWS of the FIELD



Overhead Door Distributors Meet

NEARLY 200 distributors of the Overhead Door Corporation, Hartford City, Indiana, gathered from all parts of the United States to attend the second annual distributors' convention of this firm. The two days were devoted to an inspection of the factory with the entire company organization on hand to answer questions, a trap shooting contest, a sales contest, sales meetings and a banquet on Monday evening at which the principal speaker was Ira Nelson, of Montpelier, Indiana.



Elect S. P. A. President

AT the thirteenth annual meeting of the Southern Pine Association, held in New Orleans, La., F. W. Reimers, Hammond, La., was elected president of the association to succeed A. J. Peavy, of Shreveport, La.

Wahl Joins Horn Organization

AN announcement has been made that W. H. Wahl, formerly advertising manager of the American-LaFrance Fire Engine Company, has joined the A. C. Horn Company, Long Island City, as sales promotion manager.



G. E. Issues Wiring Specifications

THE merchandising department of the General Electric Company, Bridgeport, Conn., is now issuing, for the use of the architect, specifications in which the G-E wiring system is scientifically applied to apartment houses and apartment hotels. These specifications show the wiring layouts for typical apartments of the one-story and two-story types, and also for the simplex, duplex and studio designs.

Although the various materials entering into the G-E wiring system have, of course, been utilized for years in apartment house wiring, they have not before been brought together in such unified manner as is presented by these specifications.



Now Chain Belt Distributor

THE Porter Supply Company, 508 First Huntington National Bank Building, Huntington, W. Va., now represents the Chain Belt Company, of Milwaukee, as distributor of its line of Rex mixers and pavers. Charles S. Porter is president of the company, having organized it a number of years ago after 15 years of service in the construction machinery industry. In addition to the Rex line of mixers and pavers the company will also handle the contractors' equipment line which includes buckets, elevators, central mixing plants and Stearns belt conveyors.



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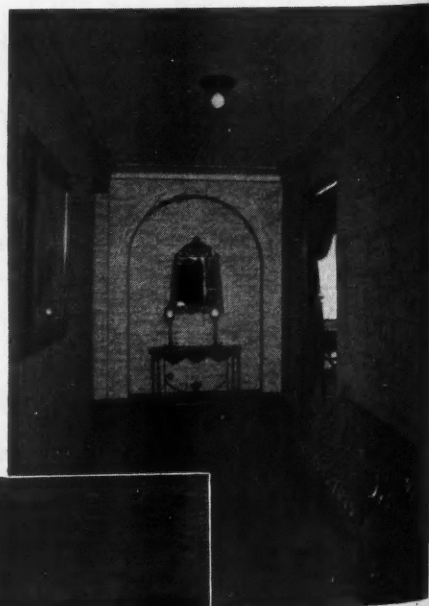
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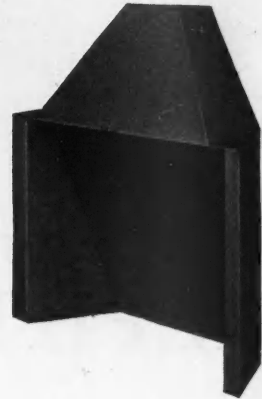
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Photo at left shows fireplace equipped with Heatilator. Any material can be used for the mantel, etc. The Heatilator is built into the masonry. Arrows indicate Heatilator warm air outlets and cold air intakes. Accompanying diagram shows the plan.

Below: Heatilator as it is delivered, freight prepaid, ready to install. It is a complete unit up to the chimney flue, including damper and smoke chamber. No assembling necessary.

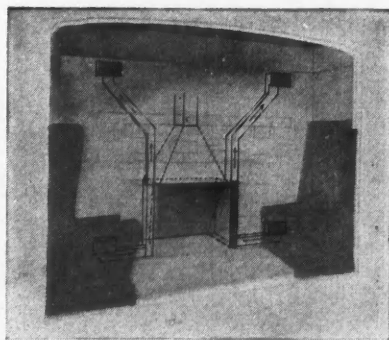


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This diagram shows how Heatilator was installed in the Early American fireplace above.

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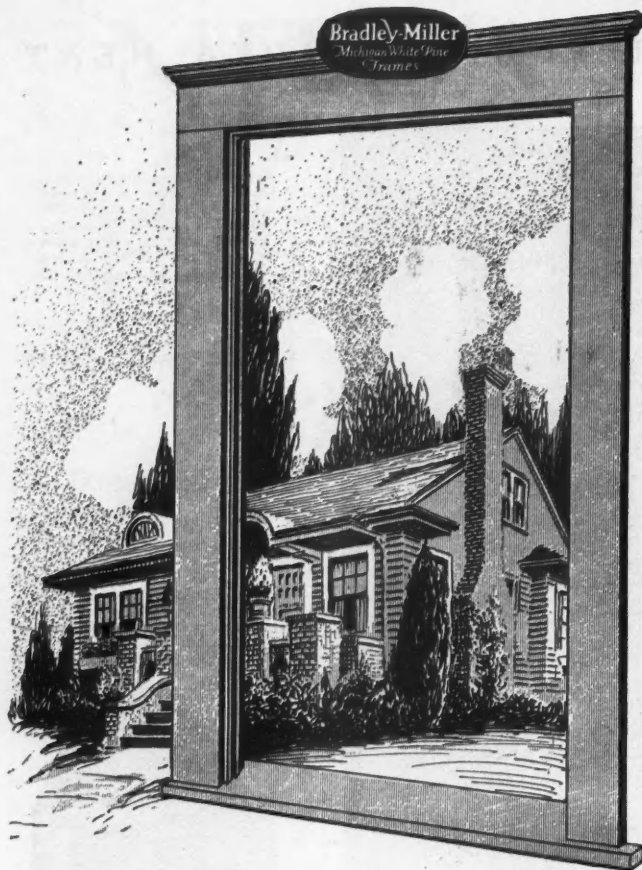
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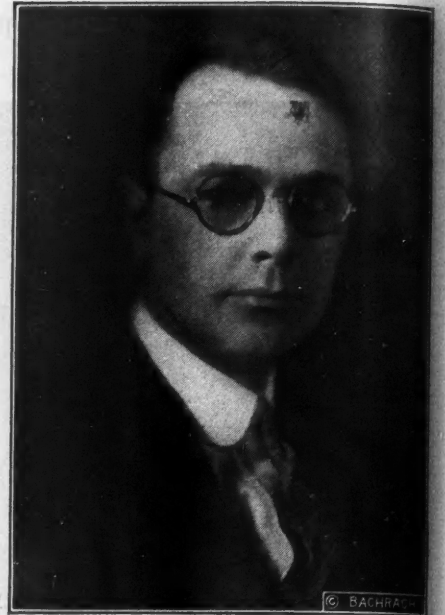
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McKim Joins Federal Truck

THE Federal Motor Truck Company, of Detroit, has announced the appointment of C. D. McKim as advertising manager. For 12 years Mr. McKim was associated with Continental Motors Corporation, having charge of sales and advertising for the greater part of this time.



C. D. McKim, Federal Motor Truck Co.

Truscon Makes Appointments

APPPOINTMENT of three vice-presidents of the Truscon Steel Co. of Youngstown, Ohio, was made this week by Julius Kahn, president of the company.

C. I. Auten, who began as an engineer with Truscon 17 years ago, has been named vice-president in charge of sales in the standard building division of the firm. Under his charge will be sales of structural steel, steeldeck roofing and transmission structures. This appointment continues Auten's connection with the complete building sales end of Truscon.

M. T. Clark is vice-president in charge of sales of the steel window division, with which he has been identified for the last nine years. Clark was originally an architect, and followed a natural interest in industrial standardization into the manufacturing field. He is credited with much of the popularity of standardized steel windows at the present time.

C. D. Loveland, formerly manager of the Pittsburgh district of the Truscon organization, is made vice-president with headquarters at Newark, N. J. He will be in charge of Truscon distribution in that state.

Will Represent Black & Decker

AN announcement from the Black & Decker Mfg. Co., Towson, Md., states that R. C. Bastress, formerly of the Fort Wayne Iron Store Company, has joined its organization to handle Indiana and part of Michigan. L. W. Beuhausen, formerly with Slocum & Kilburn, has been employed to handle Black & Decker products through western Massachusetts. G. N. McCarthy will represent the company in the Buffalo territory, taking the place of H. B. Austin, who has been transferred to the Chicago district.

Reopen St. Louis Office

THE North Western Expanded Metal Co., of Chicago, has just re-opened its St. Louis office at 401 Lieuderman Building. Walter Rasmussen will be in charge of this office and is now prepared to render a complete personal service to anyone interested in expanded metal products and lath.



HERE'S a Timken bearing, full one bag tilter, with Automatic Skip Shaker and "Flat Spot" Drum, for the usual price of a half bagger.

It's built of the best—steel and forgings and semi-steel gears—light, portable and 50 per cent stronger.

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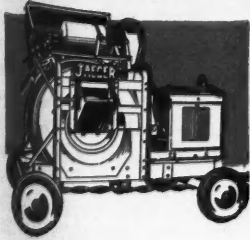
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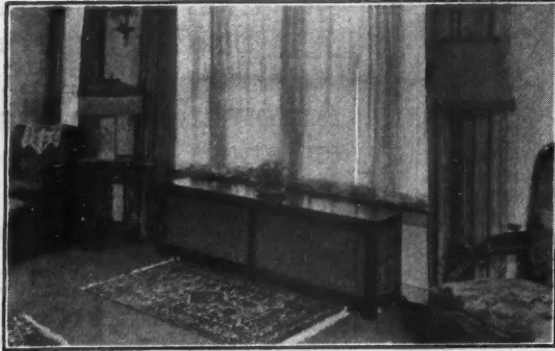
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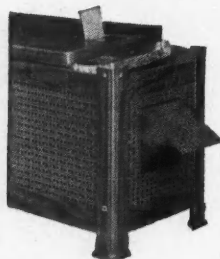
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Bates Makes Announcements

THE Bates Valve Bag Corporation, of Chicago, has announced the appointment of H. A. Schaffer, formerly conservation engineer of the Portland Cement Association, as Eastern sales manager. The Bates offices in New York City and Nazareth, Pa., will be headquarters for Mr. Schaeffer in his



H. A. Schaffer.

new capacity.

J. I. McCants, for many years identified with the cement industry in the South, has recently become affiliated with the Bates sales organization and will represent the company in the South as Southern sales manager.

This company has recently established a factory at Birmingham,



J. I. McCants, Bates Valve Bag Corp.

Ala., to supply the needs of its Southern customers.



Sargent & Company Election

AT a recent meeting of the stockholders of Sargent & Company, New Haven, Conn., followed by a meeting of the directors, two new directors were elected, Bertram W. Burtzell and Edward Harding. George Lewis Sargent tendered his resignation from the presidency of the company and Bertram W. Burtzell was elected president and general manager. Mr. Burtzell received his early training with Browne & Sharpe Manufacturing Company, where he learned the machinist trade. He was with the Packard Motor Car Company, as factory manager, for several years and since 1920 has been president and general manager of McKinnon Industries, Ltd., St. Catherines, Ont., and the McKinnon Dash Company, Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. Harding is a member of the legal firm of Campbell, Harding & Goodwin, New York City.



Name T. L. Smith Distributor

THE T. L. Smith Company, of Milwaukee, manufacturers of mixers and pavers, announce the appointment of the R. P. Sweeny Company, of Greenville, as its representative for the entire state of South Carolina with the exception of Chester, York, Chesterfield and Marlboro Counties. This account was formerly handled by the Smith distributor at Charlotte, but the new arrangement will put Smith service and sales facilities in a better position to handle the requirements of customers in this territory. The new distributor will handle a full line of contractors' and industrial equipment.

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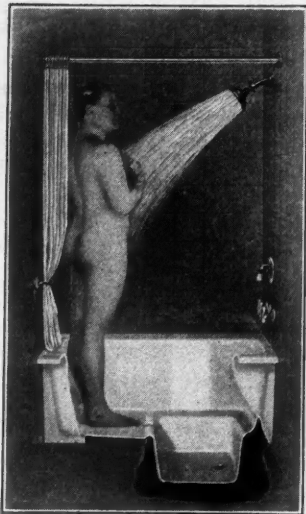


PLATE 10-E
Enameled Iron Ware, 44x30 inches to tile in recess, only. Enameled white front. Waste in foot section either right or left hand end.

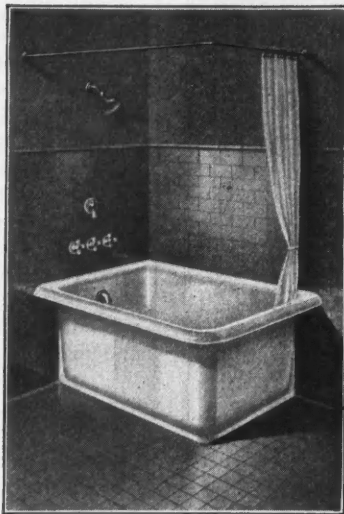


PLATE 11-E
Enameled Iron Ware, 44x30 inches to tile in right or left hand corner. Enameled white all exposed parts. Same as Plate 10-E except for corner installation.

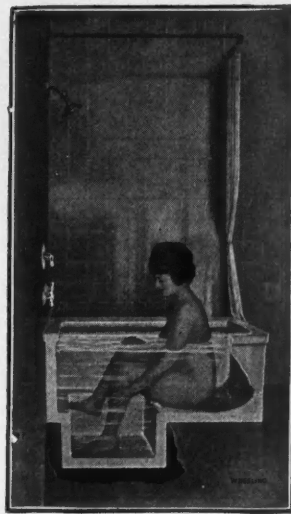


PLATE 30-E
Semi-Vitreous Porcelain Ware. 44x30 inches to tile in right or left hand corner, or in recess. Glazed white all sides.

The COMBINATION BATH is an entirely new departure in the development of modern sanitary comfort, comprising, as it does, a SEAT, FOOT, SHOWER and CHILD'S bath, all in one.

It possesses many essential common sense features not found in any other types. For instance, it is more comfortable and less wasteful of water; it is possible to bathe and treat the feet without the removal of all clothing, by having only a small amount of water in the foot section. The ledges on the end and both sides of the foot section enable one to treat the feet conveniently, while the dimensions of the foot section allow ample space for the feet when standing or sitting. The mother or maid can bathe a child in comfort under ideal conditions. The child can be bathed on the seat section, and then, if desired, dipped in the water filled foot section.

Remember, when you are considering the length of the COMBINATION BATH in comparison with other kinds of styles, that you do not assume a half reclining position when using the COMBINATION BATH, but instead a sitting position; so that your length from the knee down does not count in the length of the space required as it does when using the ordinary bath; also that the uncomfortable, cramped position assumed in the latter case is entirely removed and supplanted by a natural, comfortable posture, such as experienced when sitting in an easy, comfortable chair with just as much room in every direction as a person would have in using the ordinary bath of greater length.

Furthermore, when the COMBINATION BATH is used as a shower bath it is equal to any standard type shower receptor. The arrangement of the seat and foot bath permits the taking of a head or body shower bath, the latter without wetting the hair. This commends it, and is a feature which should not be too lightly regarded; in fact, we strongly recommend installation of showers in connection with the COMBINATION BATH.

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Water can be turned on and off or discharged without changing from a sitting position, instead of being obliged to slide along the bottom of the tub, in order to reach the valves, as is necessary when using any other type bath.

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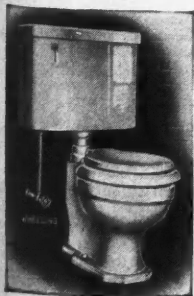


Plate 126-E "The Tranquill" all white Syphon Jet Water Closet Combination.



Plate 100-E Lavatory on Pedestal. Two sizes—24x20 inches and 26x22 inches.

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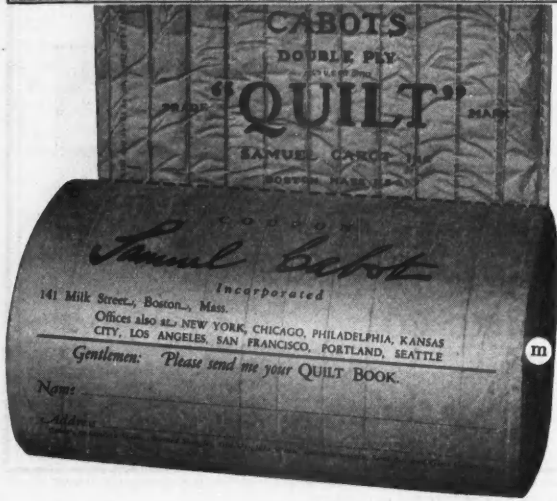
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A. G. C. Has New Manager

EFFECTIVE May 1, 1928, Gen. R. C. Marshall, Jr., has resigned as manager of the Associated General Contractors of America, a position which he has held for eight years. He will be succeeded by D. A. Garber, of New York, who was the first president of the contractors' organization which he helped to found. Gen. Marshall becomes president of the Summer Sollitt Company, of Chicago. Mr. Garber, in accepting the new position, severs his connection with the North-Eastern Construction Co., New York, of which he has been president since 1904.



S. P. A. Offers B. & L. Service

ORGANIZATION of a building and loan association service department, as a part of the Southern Pine Association promotional home building activities, was announced by H. C. Berckes, secretary-manager, at the recent annual meeting of the association. The purpose in organizing this service is to make it possible, from association sources, for the average citizen to be given authentic and reliable guidance as to how best he can arrange the financing and building of a home. It is not the purpose to do the actual financing of home building activities but to render service both to prospective home builders and building associations.



Inland Steel Announcement

THE Inland Steel Company, of Chicago, announces that H. L. McCauley has been appointed district sales manager of the company's Milwaukee office, succeeding C. M. Easterly, who recently resigned. M. E. Gregg will succeed Mr. McCauley as assistant district sales manager in Milwaukee, coming there from a similar position in the St. Paul office.



STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912

Of AMERICAN BUILDER, published monthly at Chicago, Ill., for April, 1928.
State of Illinois }
County of Cook } ss.

Before me, a notary public in and for the state and county aforesaid, personally appeared E. L. Hatfield, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the general manager of the AMERICAN BUILDER and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 411, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor and business managers are:

- Publisher—American Carpenter & Builder Co., Chicago, Ill.
- Editor—Wm. A. Radford, Chicago, Ill.
- Managing Editor—B. L. Johnson, Chicago, Ill.
- Business Manager—E. L. Hatfield, Chicago, Ill.

2. That the owner is: (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and also immediately thereunder the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a firm, company, or other unincorporated concern, its name and address, as well as those of each individual member, must be given.)

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- E. L. Hatfield, Chicago, Ill.
- G. W. Ashby, Berwyn, Ill.

3. That the known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities are: (If there are none, so state.)

None.

4. That the two paragraphs next above, giving the names of the owners, stockholders, and security holders, if any, contain not only the list of stockholders and security holders as they appear upon the books of the company but also, in cases where the stockholder or security holder appears upon the books of the company as trustee or in any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting, is given; also that the said two paragraphs contain statements embracing affiant's full knowledge and belief as to the circumstances and conditions under which stockholders and security holders do not appear upon the books of the company as trustees, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bona fide owner; and that affiant has no reason to believe that any other person, association, or corporation has any interest direct or indirect in the said stock, bonds, or other securities than as so stated by him.

E. L. HATFIELD
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of April, 1928.
(My commission expires October 25, 1929.)

Style—now within any flooring estimate

***CELLized Oak Floor Blocks** may now be laid in any home, at a cost within the most modest budget. For the first time, the builder can figure in any building estimate, a design floor that combines style, utmost beauty, and permanence, and that will enable the owner to plan room decoration upon a floor foundation that is a real style element. Such a floor has heretofore been possible only in the most pretentious homes; but today, the cost, laid and finished, is but little higher than the usual strip flooring.

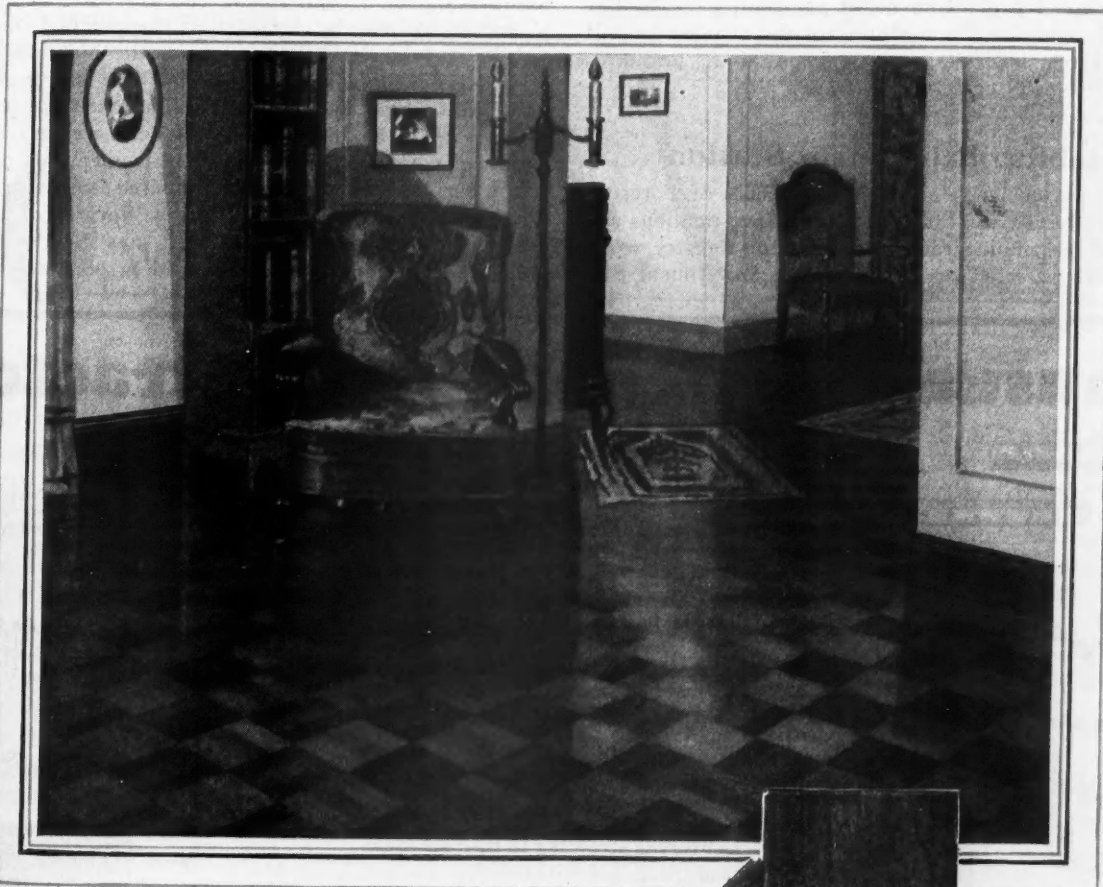
The blocks are laid directly over a wood or cement sub-floor in "Everbond" (a plastic cement) without nails. Each square is a complete unit, three or more oak strips splined together, and is laid more

easily and quickly than strip flooring. "Everbond" is sound-deadening besides, and this method results in a solid, quiet floor that will not squeak.

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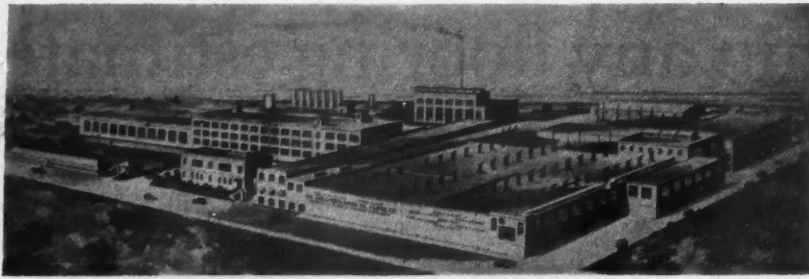


Three sizes—6 $\frac{3}{4}$, 9, and 11 inch squares will proportion the design to any room area. Laid in diagonal, half-center, or regular square patterns. In remodeling, lay directly over old floors, in "Everbond", without nails.

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Panorama Picture of Columbus-Union Oil Cloth Company, Columbus, Ohio, with New Additions. The three-story building in the center left, the adjoining one-story building and the boiler house in the center background are of recent construction.

Complete Expansion Program

AN expansion program involving an expenditure of \$250,000 has just been completed by the Columbus-Union Oil Cloth Company, Columbus, Ohio, manufacturers of coated textiles. New facilities added to the company's extensive plants, in Columbus include a boiler house, a pyroxilin department, a Wall-Tex color laboratory and a Wall-Tex testing and grading room.

These additions to the company's plant have resulted in a speeding up of production of 40 per cent, in Wall-Tex business. In addition, the flexibility of the new plants will permit a further increase in production of 25 per cent, should the necessity arise.

Establish Experiment Station

TO meet the demands made on the School of Forestry, of the University of Idaho, for forest investigations and to facilitate the administration of funds for forestry work, there has been created the Idaho Forest Experiment Sta-

tion. This is purely a research unit and is organized as an independent division of the university to serve forestry in the state in the same way that the Agricultural Experiment Station serves agriculture. Forest research has been a major activity of the School of Forestry for a term of years, but a large part of the cost of the work has been made a charge against instruction rather than against research and the creation of this special research division will make it possible to segregate these expenditures.

Law for the Builder

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"Now, I don't believe an unsigned note's worth the stub pen it's written with," the builder declared.

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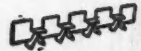


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Books, Bulletins and Catalogs for You

THE literature and publications listed here are available to the readers of American Builder. They may be obtained from the firms mentioned and will be forwarded without cost except where a price is noted.

"Construction Job Management," by Charles F. Dingman, published by the McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., 370 Seventh Ave., New York City, is planned with the object of placing "before the builder, or man who intends to become a builder, a knowledge of the most effective means to be employed in handling the several branches of building construction and of co-ordinating the work of the men in the different trades employed." Price, \$2.50.

"Everybody's Aviation Guide," by Victor W. Pagé, published by the Norman W. Henley Publishing Co., 2 W. 45th St., New York City, is a popular book written in the form of a series of lessons or instructions and is valuable to all who wish to start the study of aeronautics or who have a general interest in aviation. Price, \$2.

"Winning Designs, 1904-1927, the Paris Prize in Architecture," is the title of a new book published by the Pencil Points Press, Inc., 419 Fourth Ave., New York City. It is a handsome portfolio volume containing 35 plates as indicated by the title and with a preface by John F. Harbeson. Price, \$6.

"Plain Talk About Concrete Floors" is a book now being published by the Master Builders Co., 7016 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, containing the results of a survey just completed among industrial plants which developed surprising and illuminating facts concerning the actual costs of installing and maintaining concrete floors. It will be ready for distribution about May 1, and will be sent free to architects, engineers, contractors, building owners and managers upon request.

Harvey Hubbell, Inc., Bridgeport, Conn., offers a complete catalog of its Acorn line of electric appliance, fully illustrated and containing many color plates.

The Gorton Heating Corp., 96 Liberty St., New York City, offers a new catalog, No. 93, covering the Gorton single pipe vapor heating system and the Gorton quarter turn, packing, lock valves which this company manufactures.

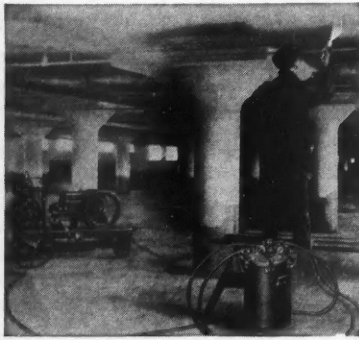
"Second Tentative Draft of a Uniform Mechanics' Lien Law" has been prepared and distributed by the Standard State Mechanics' Lien Law Committee of the Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., for the purpose of obtaining the criticisms and suggestions of all interested in this subject.

The Engineering Experiment Station, University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill., has published "An Investigation of Web Stresses in Reinforced Concrete Beams—Part II," by Frank E. Richart and Louis J. Larson. This is Bulletin No. 175. Price, 45 cents. Also "A Metallographic Study of the Path of Fatigue in Copper," by Herbert F. Moore and Frank C. Howard, Bulletin No. 176. Price, 50 cents.

Lawrence Brothers, Sterling, Ill., have published a complete catalog and supplement, No. 16, covering their line of builders' hardware of all kinds.

The Ingersoll-Rand Company, 11 Broadway, New York City, has published a 140-page book, entitled "100 Ways to Save Money with Portable Compressors," which is handsomely illustrated and full of useful information, and also a book containing, under the title "Important Rock Drilling Projects," a reprint of articles covering a number of important jobs in 1927.

The Novelty Manufacturing Co., Waterbury, Conn., offers several small booklets covering its electric ranges, electric utility stoves and porcelain bathroom fixtures all sold under the trade name Wilwear.



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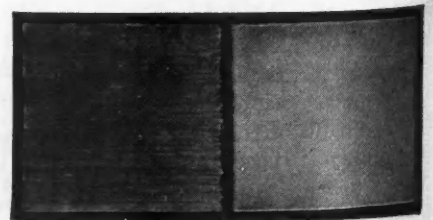
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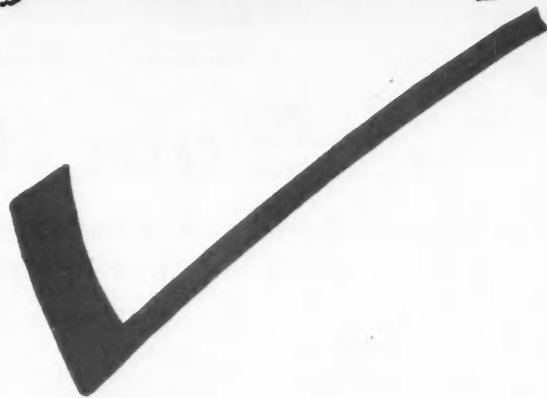
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The A. S. Aloe Co., 1810 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo., has published a new catalog, Bulletin No. 102, covering its line of contractors' labor-saving equipment.

The Forest City Bit & Tool Co., Rockford, Ill., offers a handsome catalog, No. 25, in stiff covers, covering its line of mortising and boring tools.

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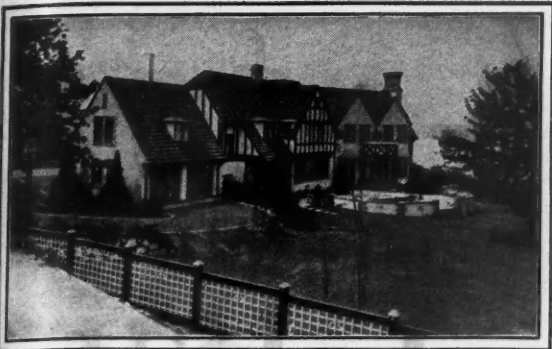
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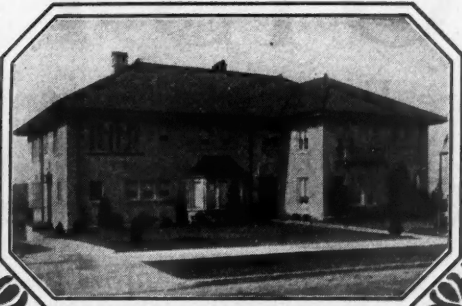
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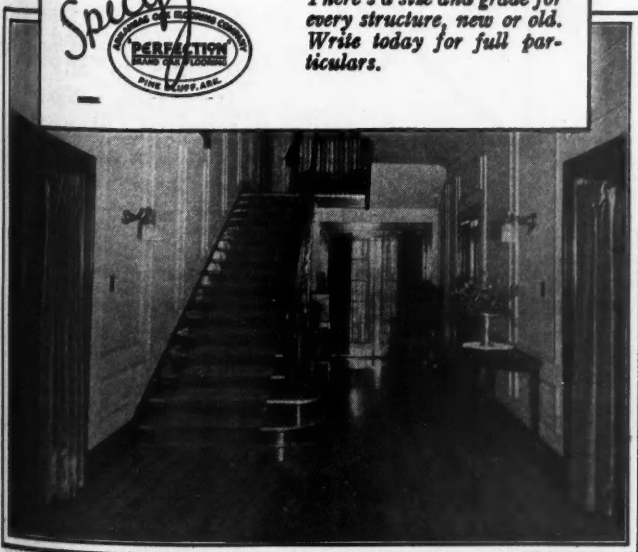
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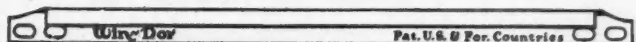
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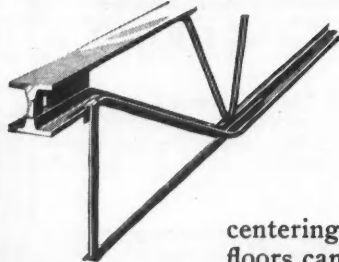
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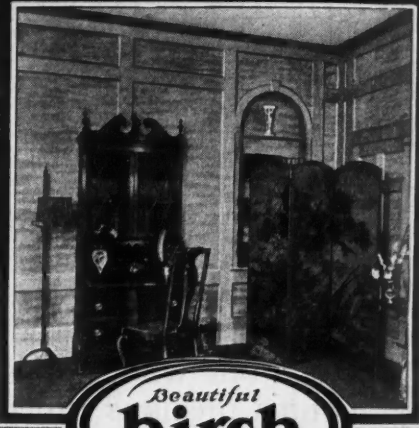
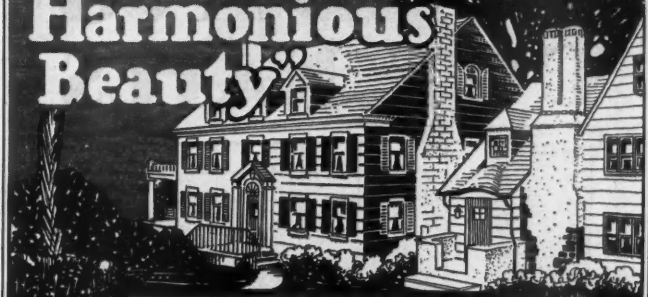


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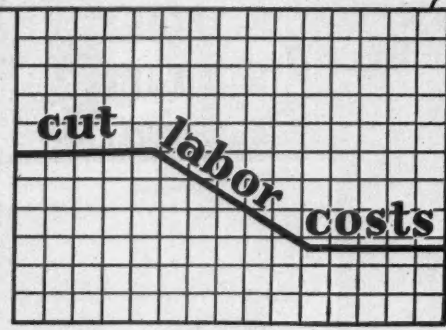
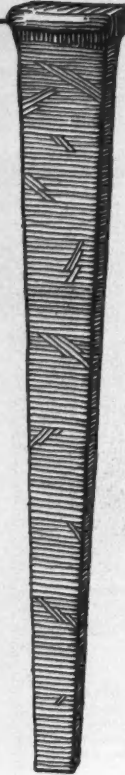
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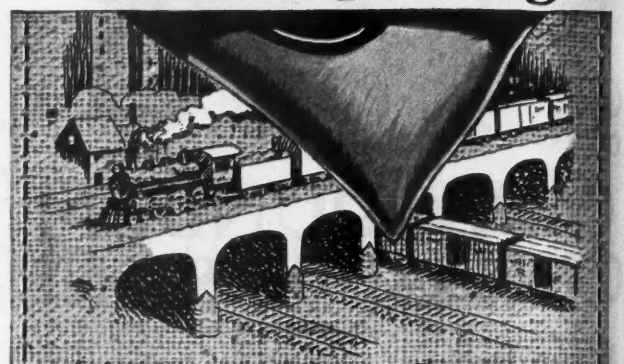
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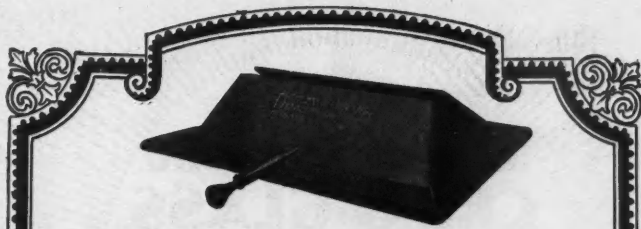
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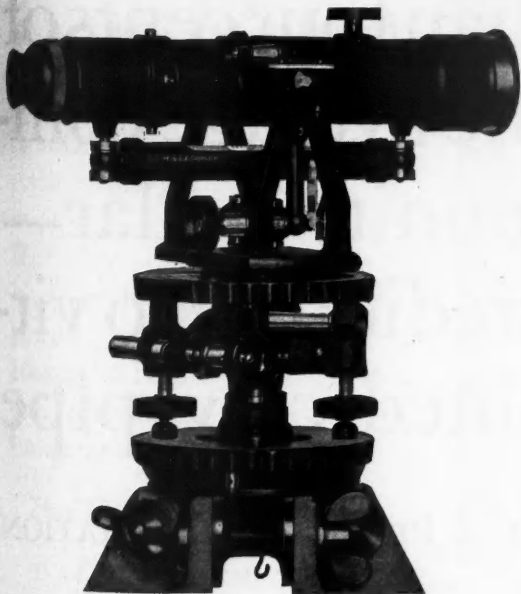
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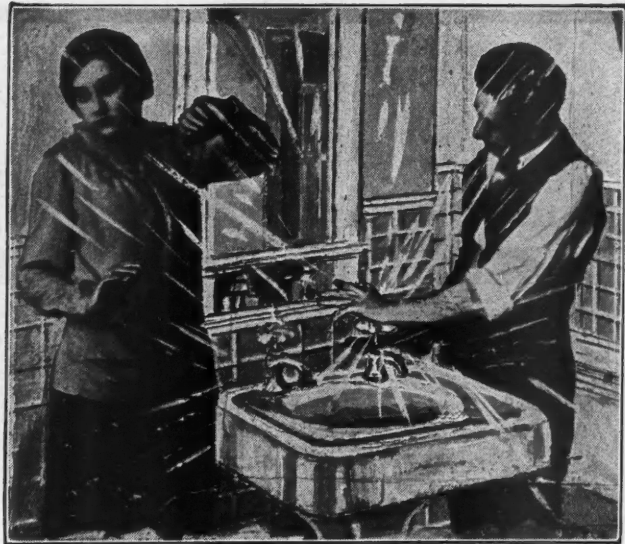
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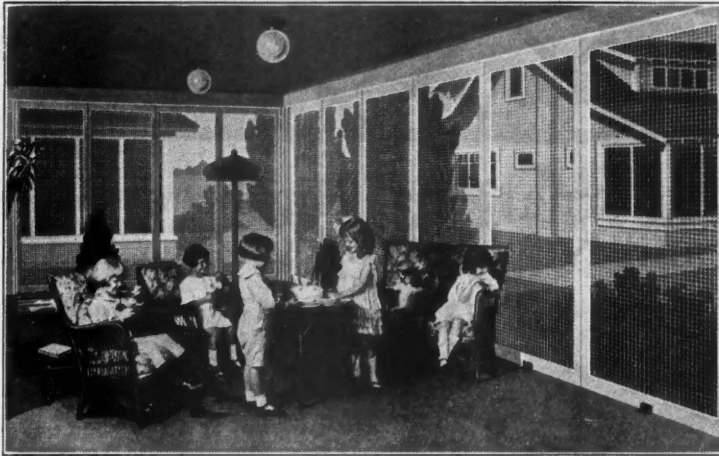
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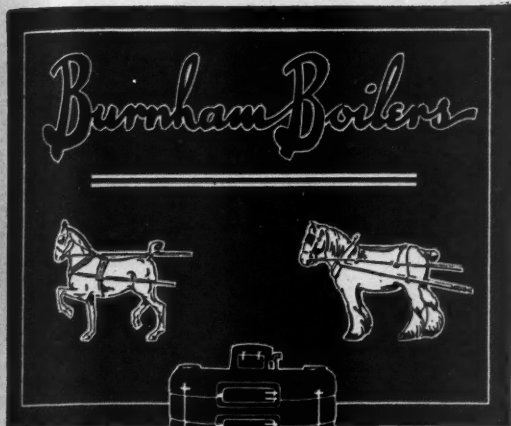
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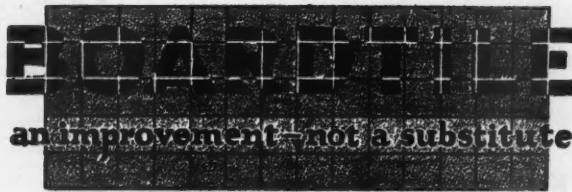
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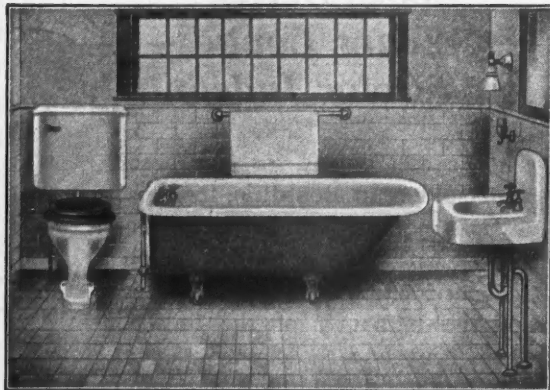
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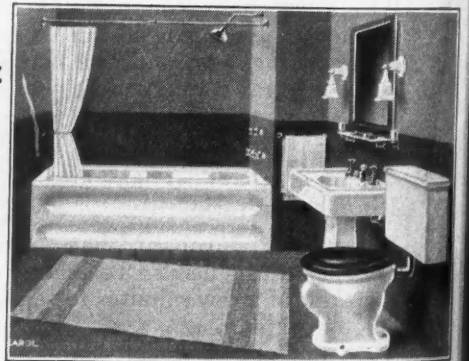
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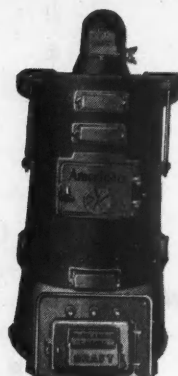
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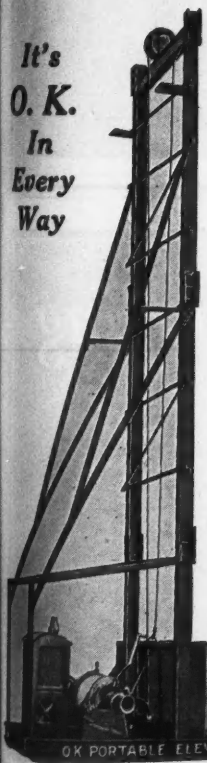
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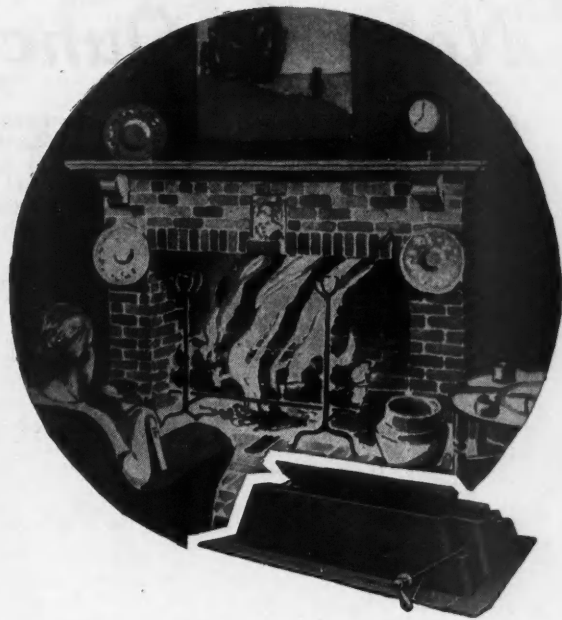
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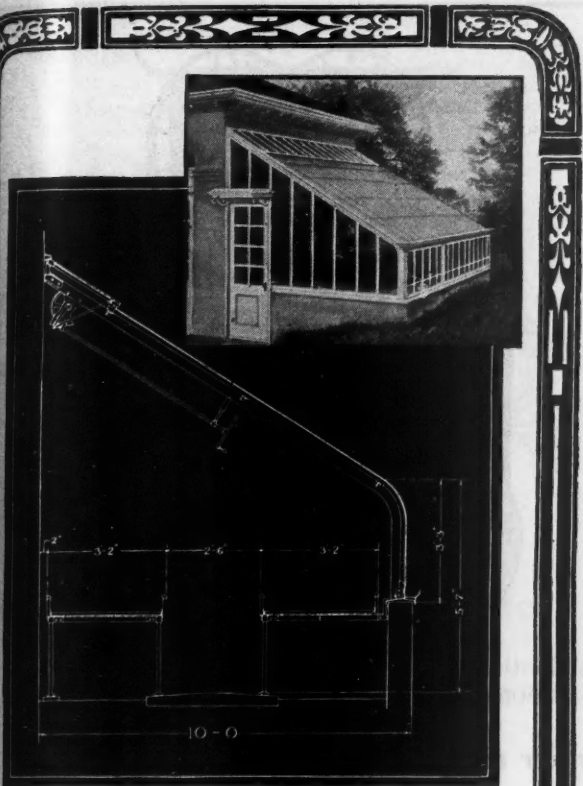
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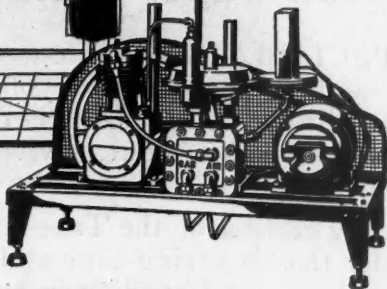


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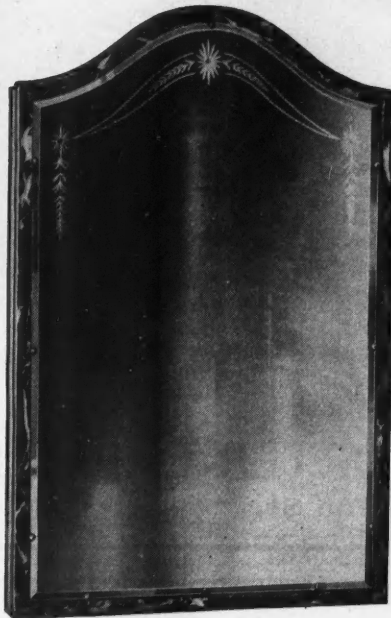
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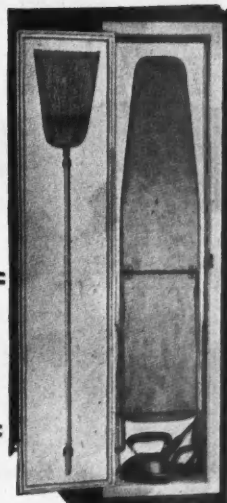
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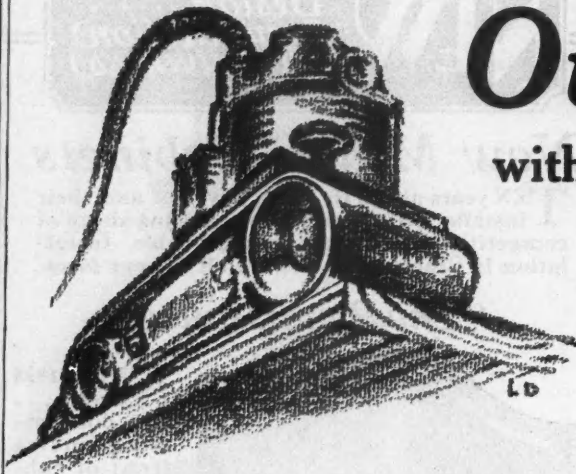
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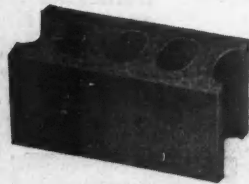
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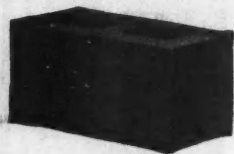
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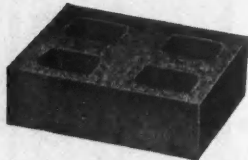
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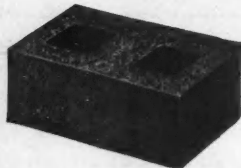
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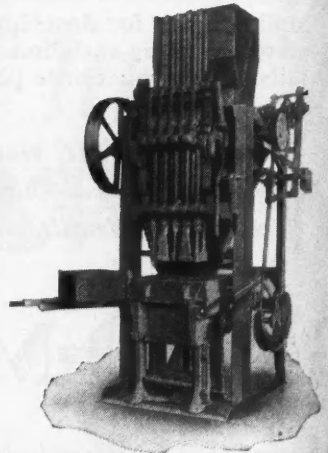


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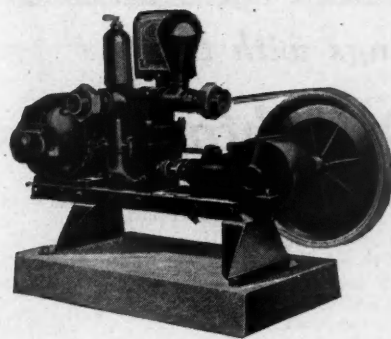


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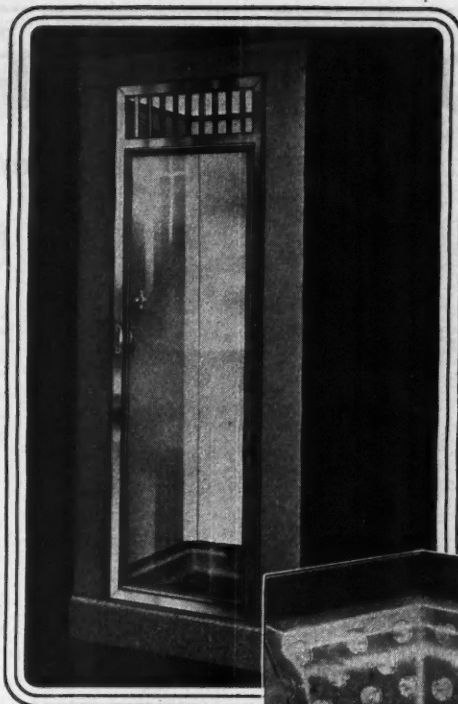


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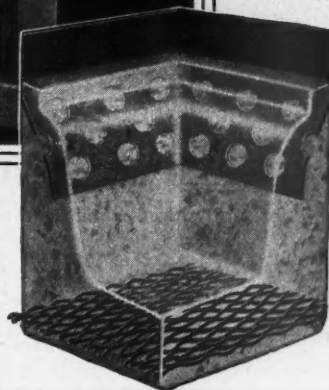
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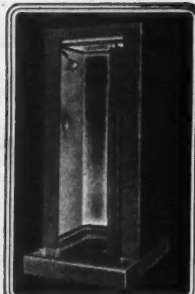


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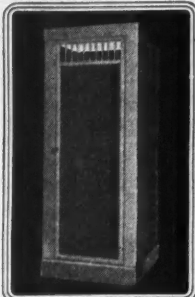
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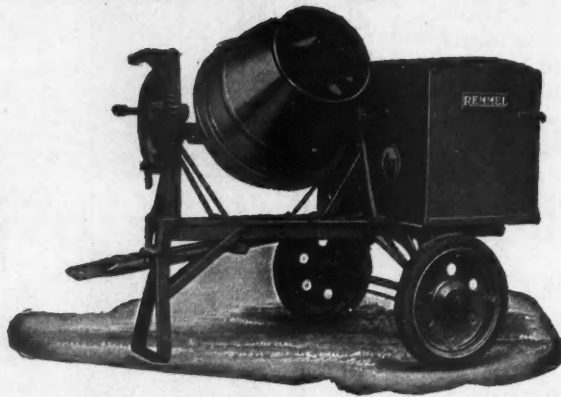
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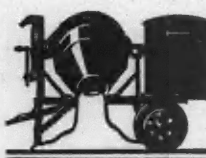


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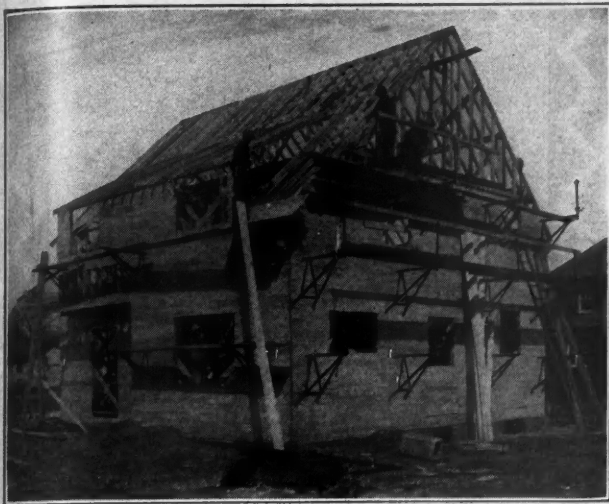
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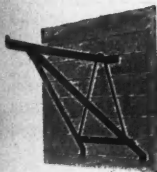


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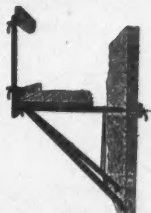
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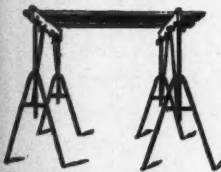
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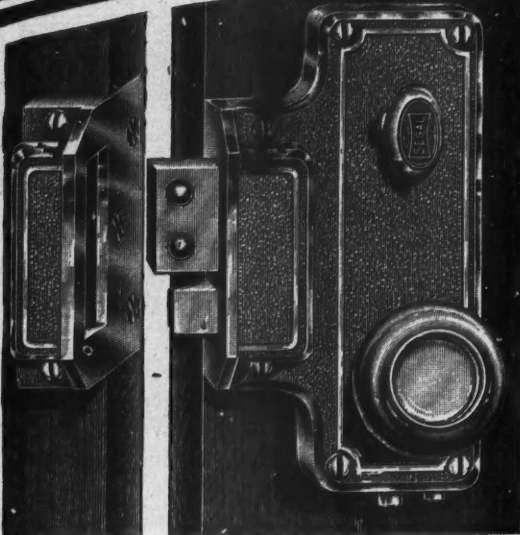
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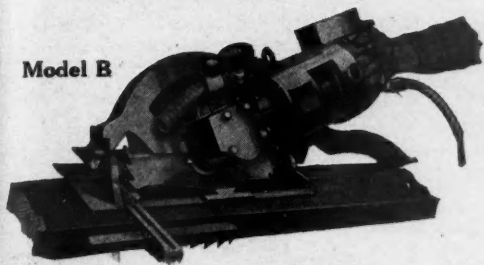
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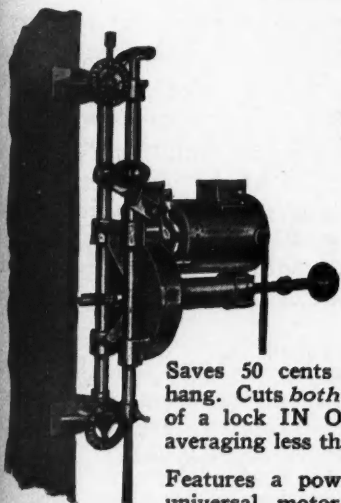
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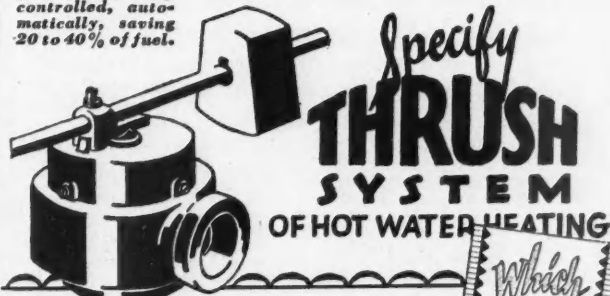
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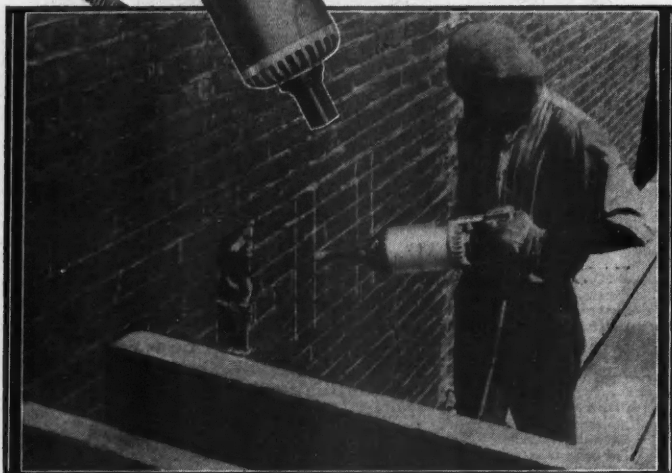
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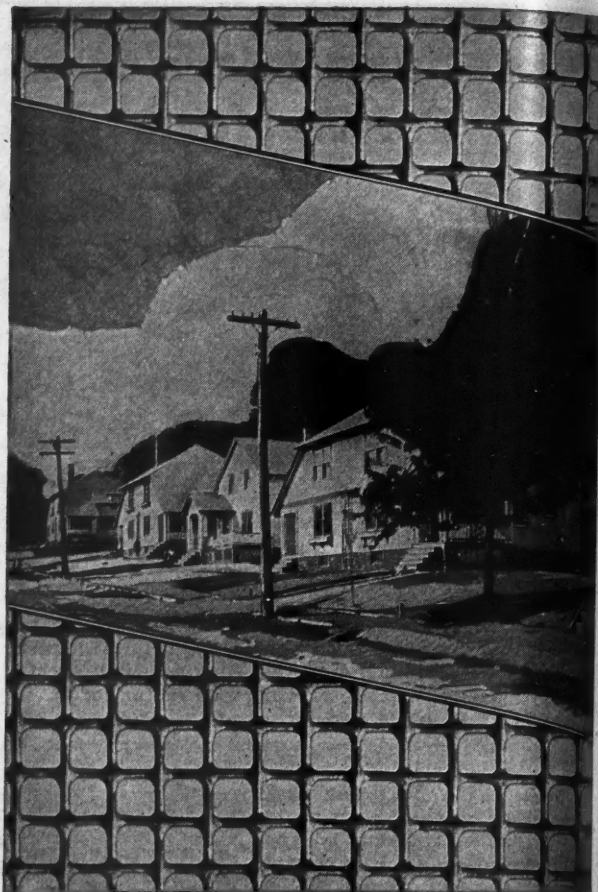
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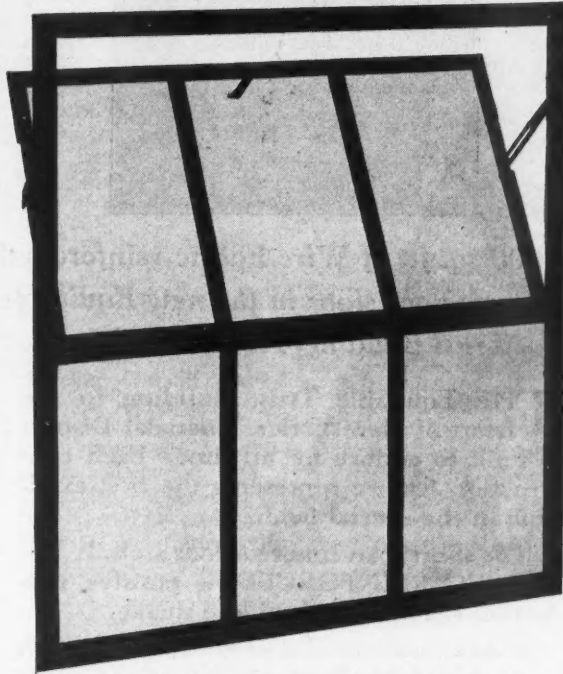
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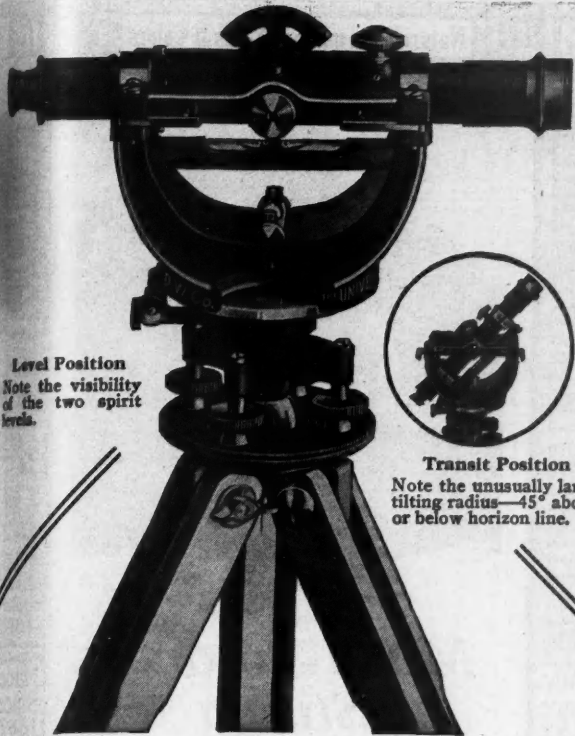
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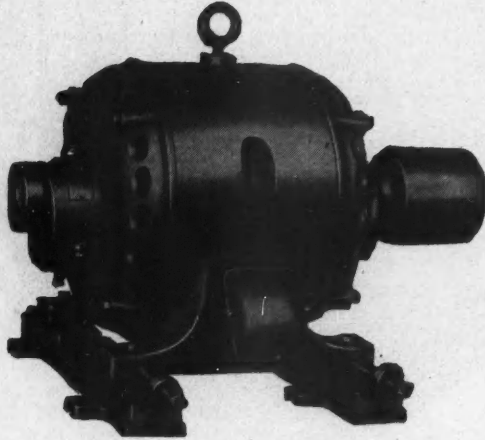
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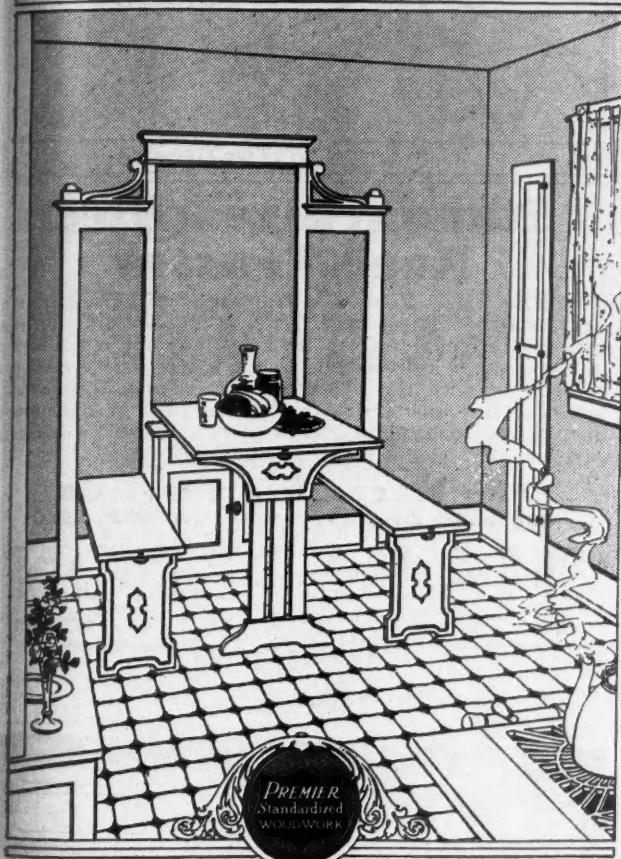
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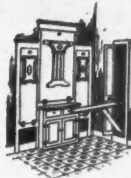
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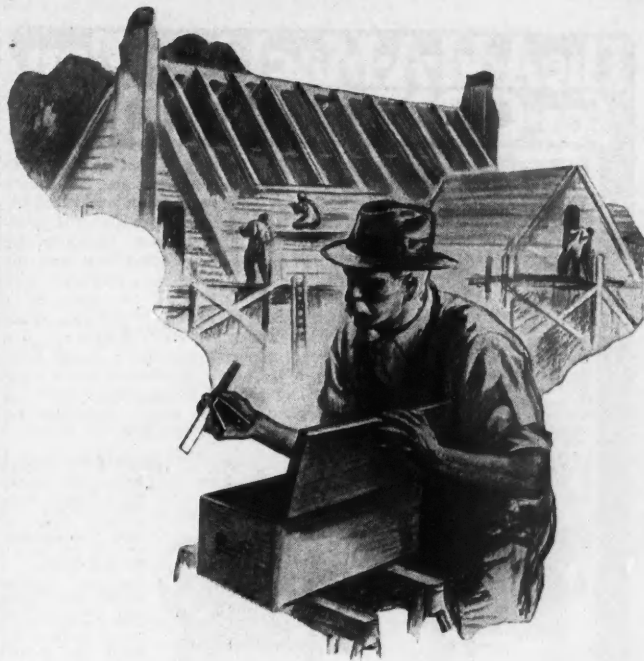


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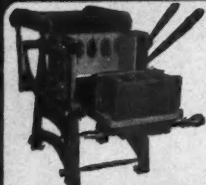
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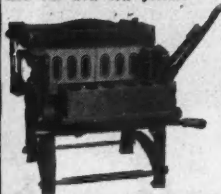
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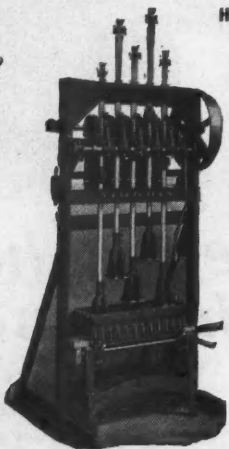
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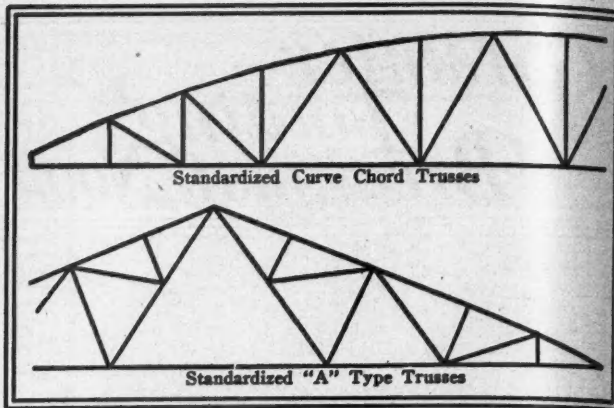
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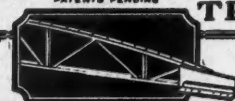


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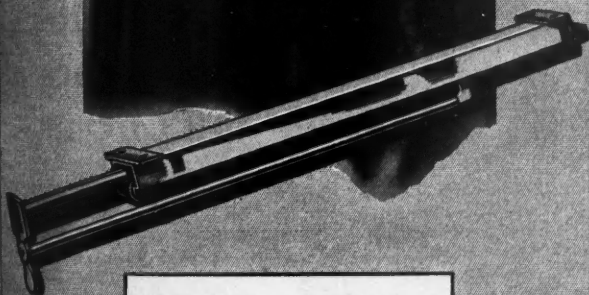
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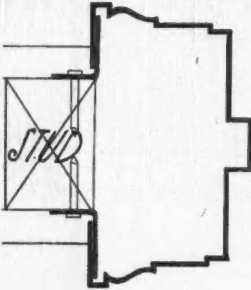
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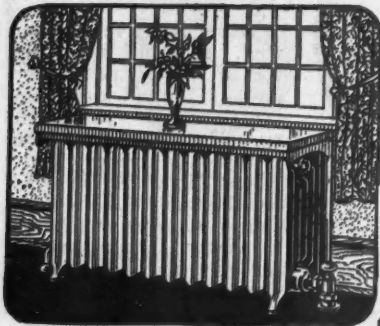
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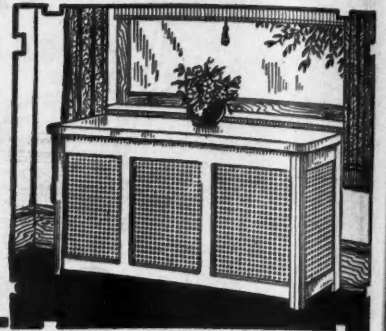


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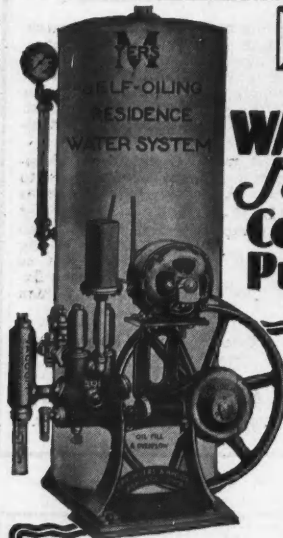
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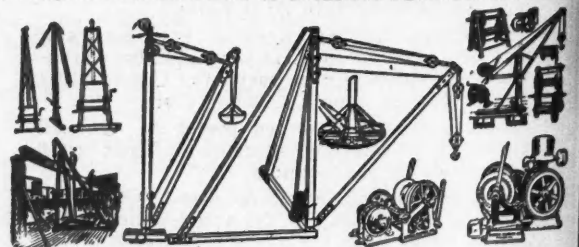
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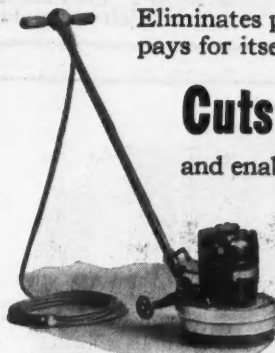
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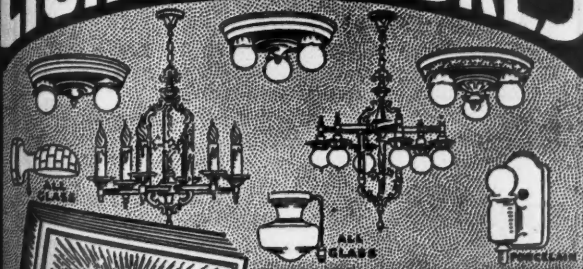
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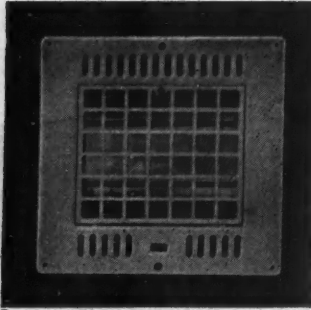
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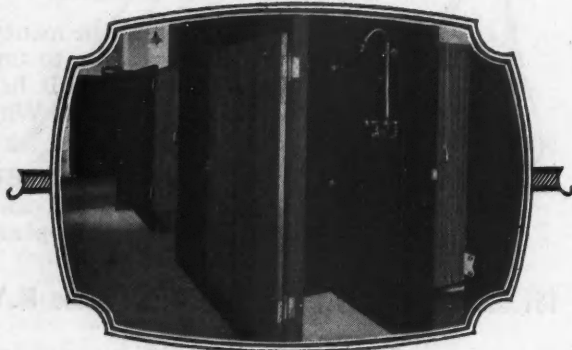


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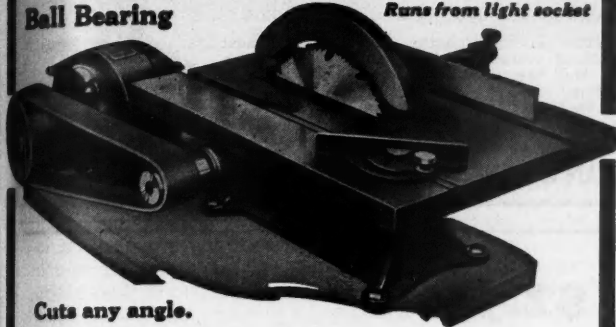
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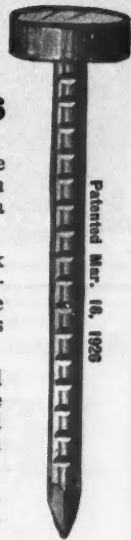
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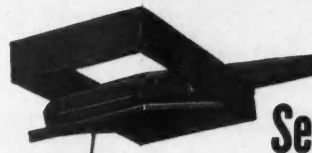
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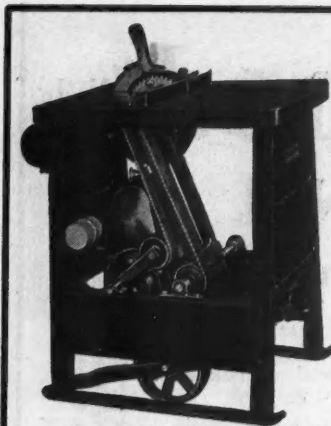
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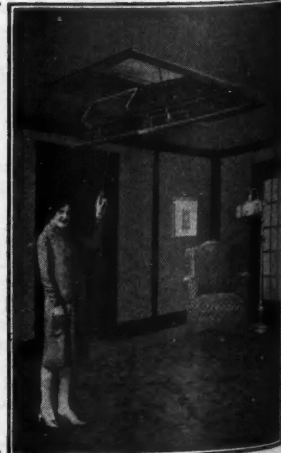
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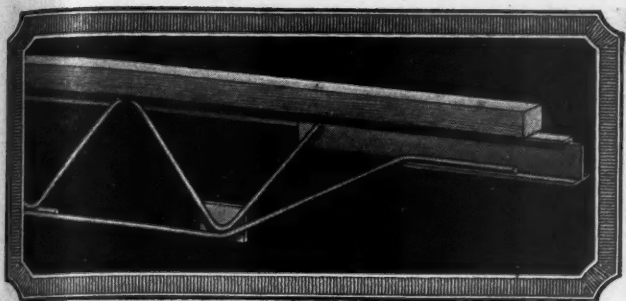
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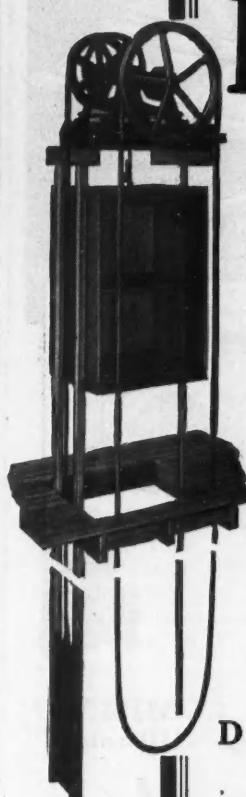
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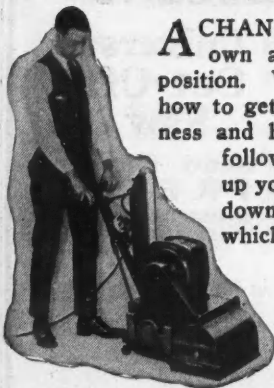


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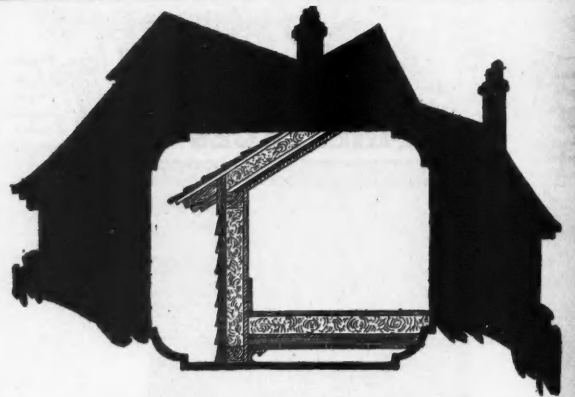
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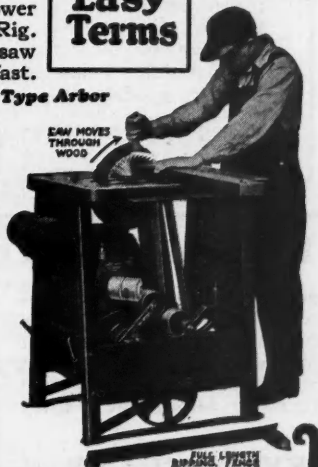
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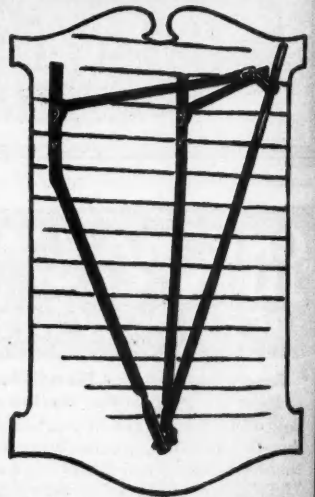
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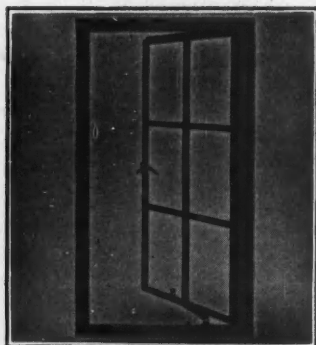
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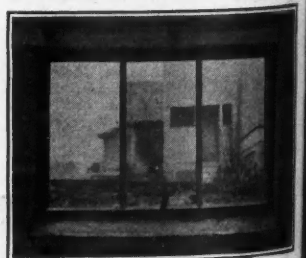


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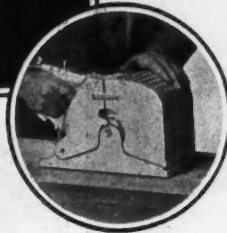
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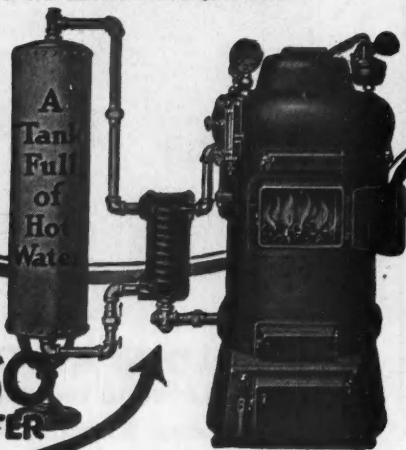
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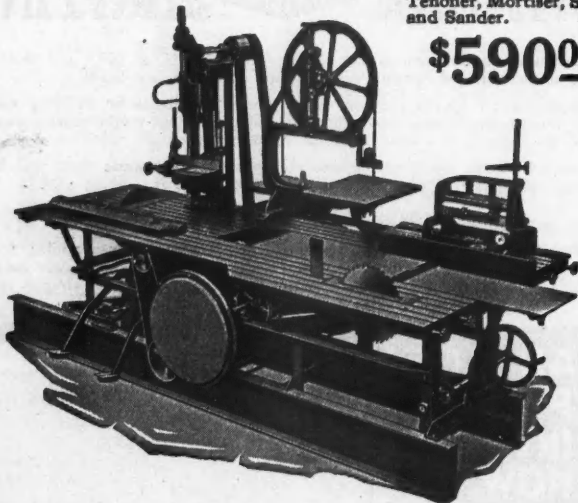
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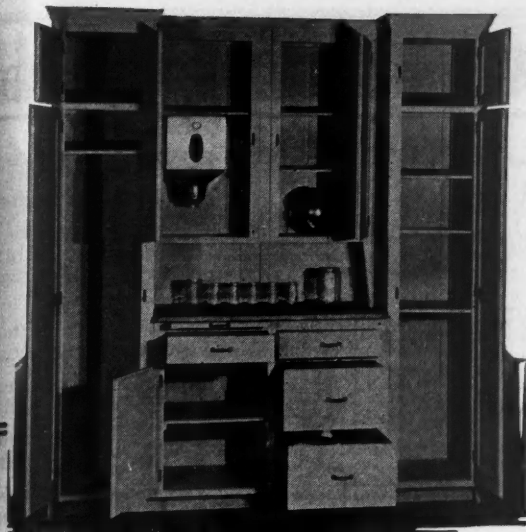
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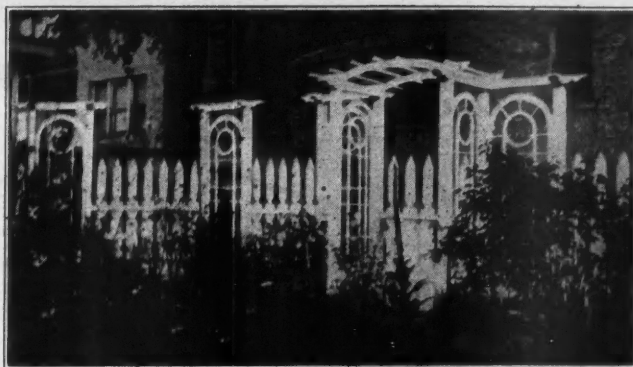
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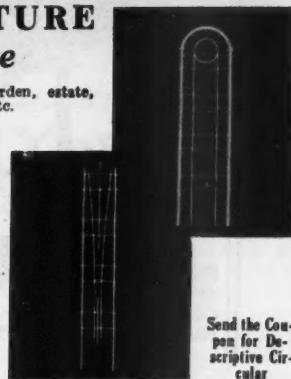
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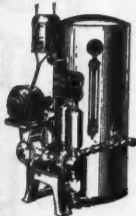
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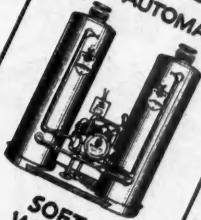
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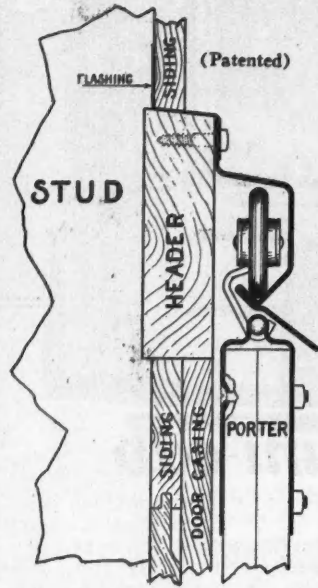
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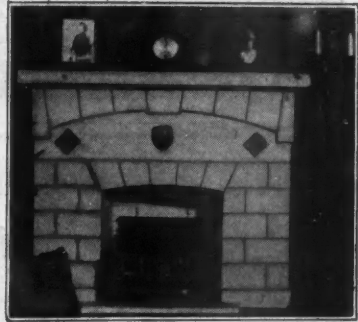
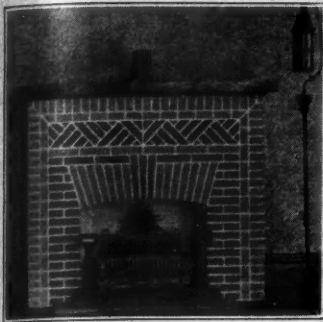
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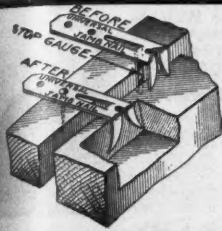


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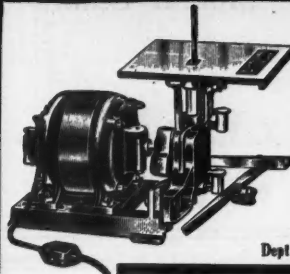
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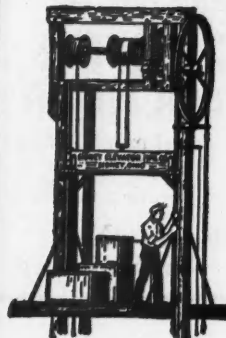
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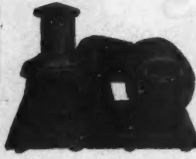
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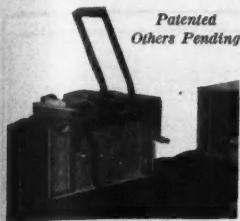


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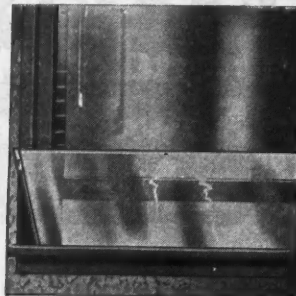
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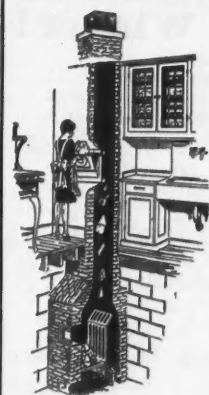
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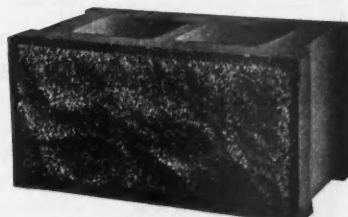
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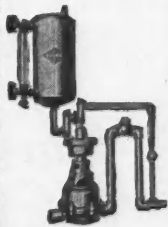
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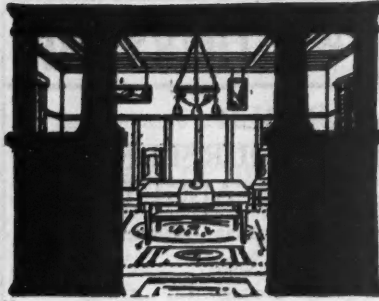
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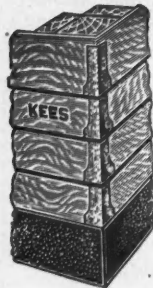
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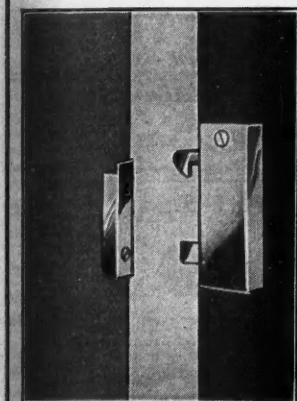
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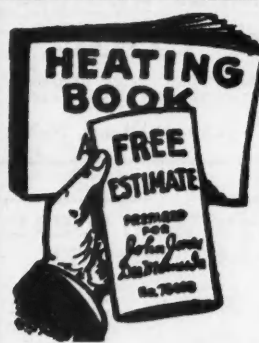
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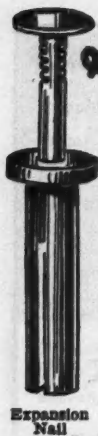


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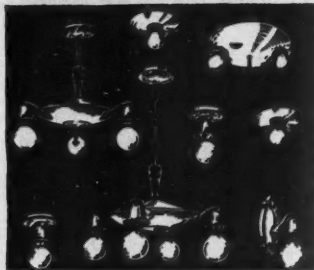
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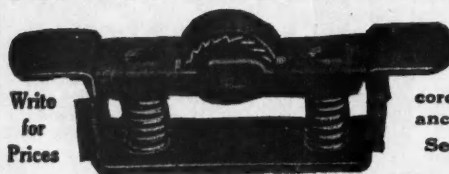
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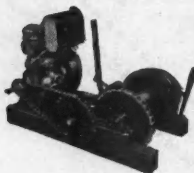
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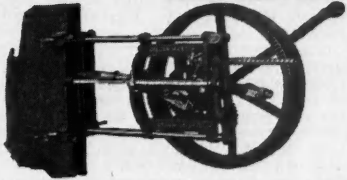
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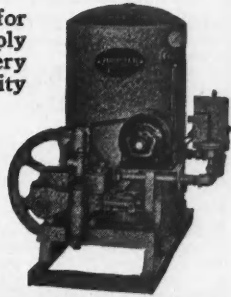
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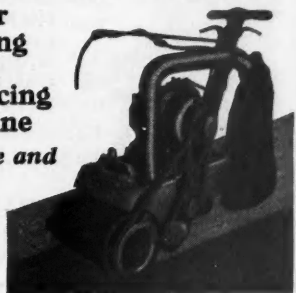
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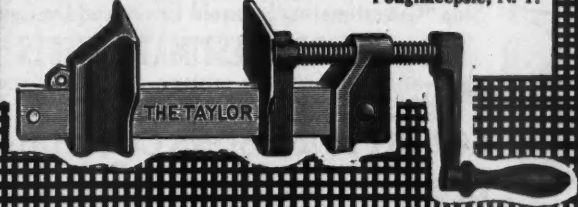


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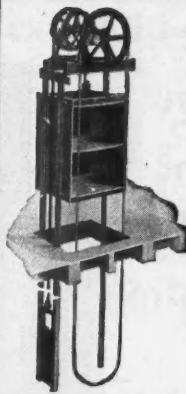
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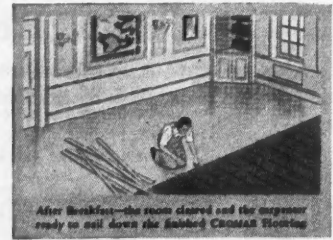
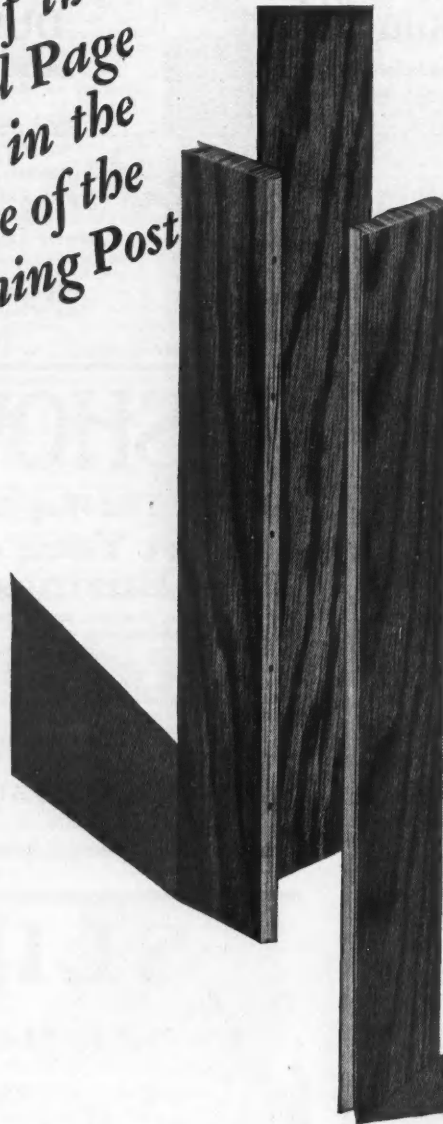
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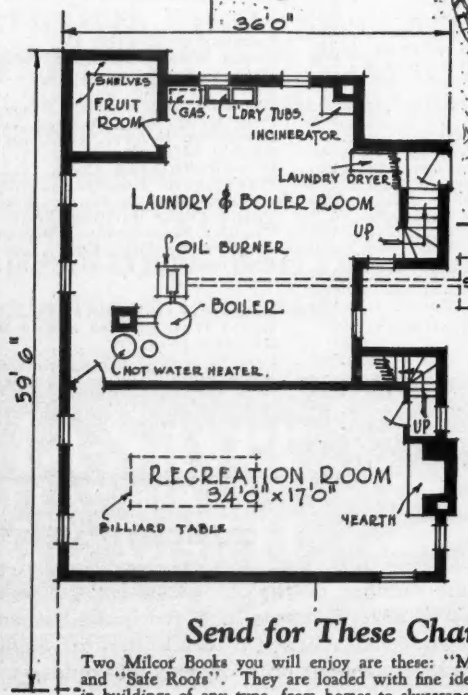
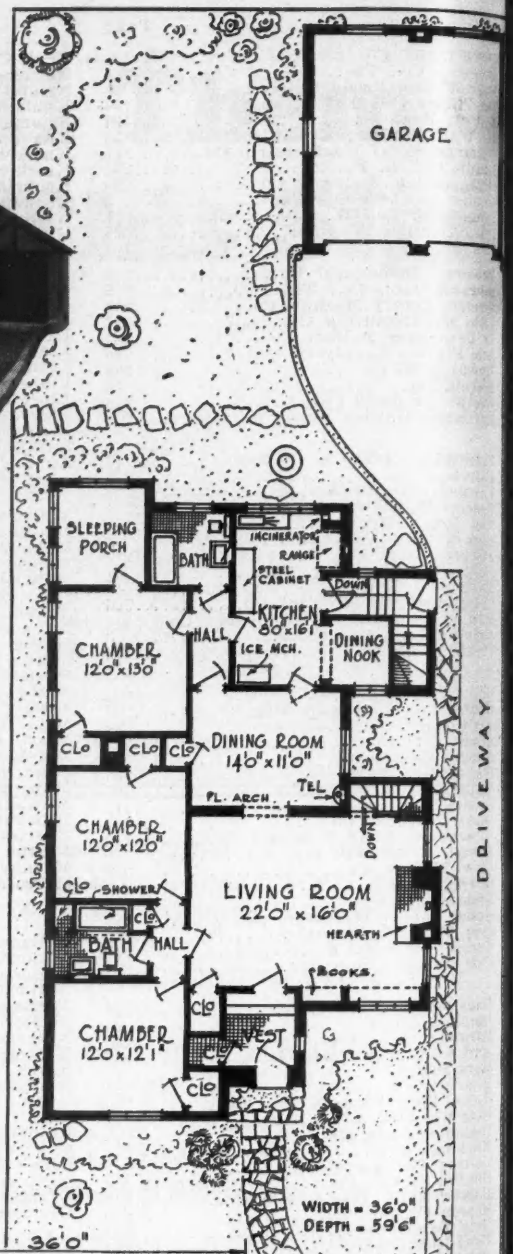
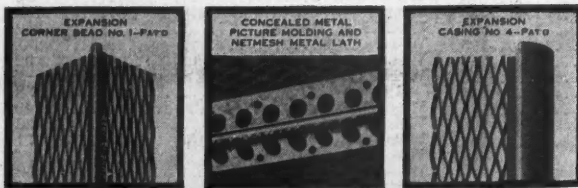
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MILCOR

METAL BUILDING PRODUCTS

Some idea of the simplicity, correctness and sense of quality expressed in such subtly pleasing manner through Milcor Products in the Smith bungalow is conveyed in this picture of the Living Room.



THE floor plan and landscaping of the property on which this bungalow was built, show the possibilities of careful planning for a comparatively narrow lot. Two-inch solid partitions on Milcor metal lath often help solve problems difficult to handle with ordinary, thick partitions. Investigate the possibilities of increasing room space on the same building area by using solid partitions on Milcor metal lath.

Send for These Charming Books

Two Milcor Books you will enjoy are these: "Modern Modes in Better Plastering" and "Safe Roofs". They are loaded with fine ideas. Whatever your interest may be in buildings of any type, from homes to skyscrapers, you'll find these books valuable. We'll send them . . . gladly . . . on request, no charge.

Only the
FRANTZ No. 40 "EZ"
GARAGE SET
Has ALL These Features

- 1 No blocking or hanging of brackets necessary as track fastens flat on header and swivel bolt construction permits doors to fold flat against the front wall, clear of the opening.
- 2 Quick and Easy installation.
- 3 Track construction prevents hanger jumping off. Made of open hearth, rust-resisting steel—it withstands severest weather conditions. Wheel tread shaped to minimize friction.
- 4 Hanger especially adapted to light weight doors. Patented catch makes it impossible for swivel bolt to engage improperly when door is being closed. Wheels are provided with roller bearings insuring strength and ease of operation.
- 5 Packed complete as 2 and 3 door Sets in strong, fibre carton with necessary butts, latch, foot bolt and socket wrench. Also end stops and lag screws for track.
- 6 Product of Proven quality and reliability—from the line of Guaranteed Builders' Hardware.

Three Sets Meet Every Need

"EZ" Garage Door Fixtures are made in 3 sizes: No. 60 for large and heavy doors; No. 50 for average size doors; No. 40 for light doors. From these three sets you can select the correct equipment for folding garage doors and provide permanently satisfactory installations. Write for complete information about "EZ" sets and a wall hanger illustrating the complete line of Frantz Guaranteed Builders' Hardware.

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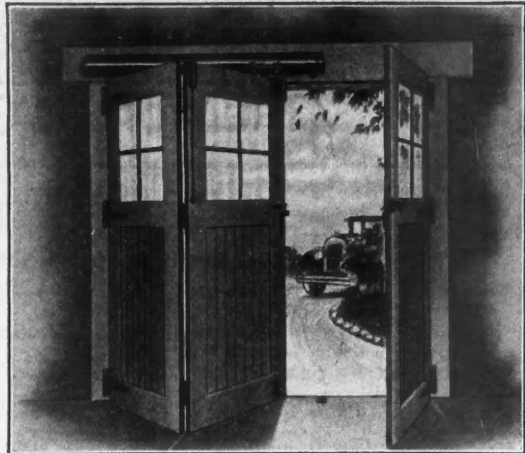


Door Hangers and Tracks
 In all Styles and Sizes
 Garage Door Fixtures
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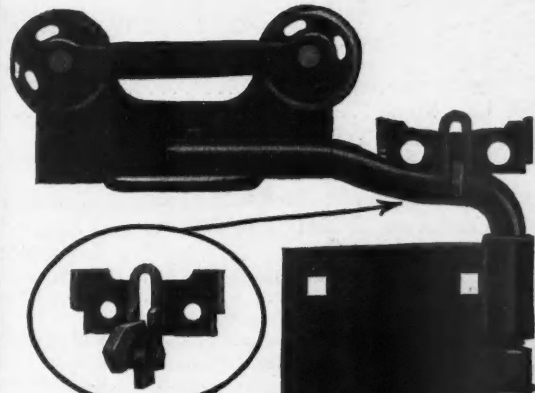
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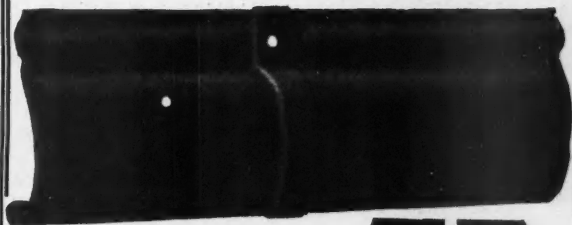
For Light Weight Doors



A Typical 3-Door Application



Circle shows Catch which greatly simplifies operation of doors. This Catch is standard equipment with all No. 40 Hangers and is an exclusive Frantz Feature.



Note the patented telescoping joint that greatly simplifies the erection of "Rollaway" Track and eliminates the necessity of joint brackets.



DRIVE WAY