

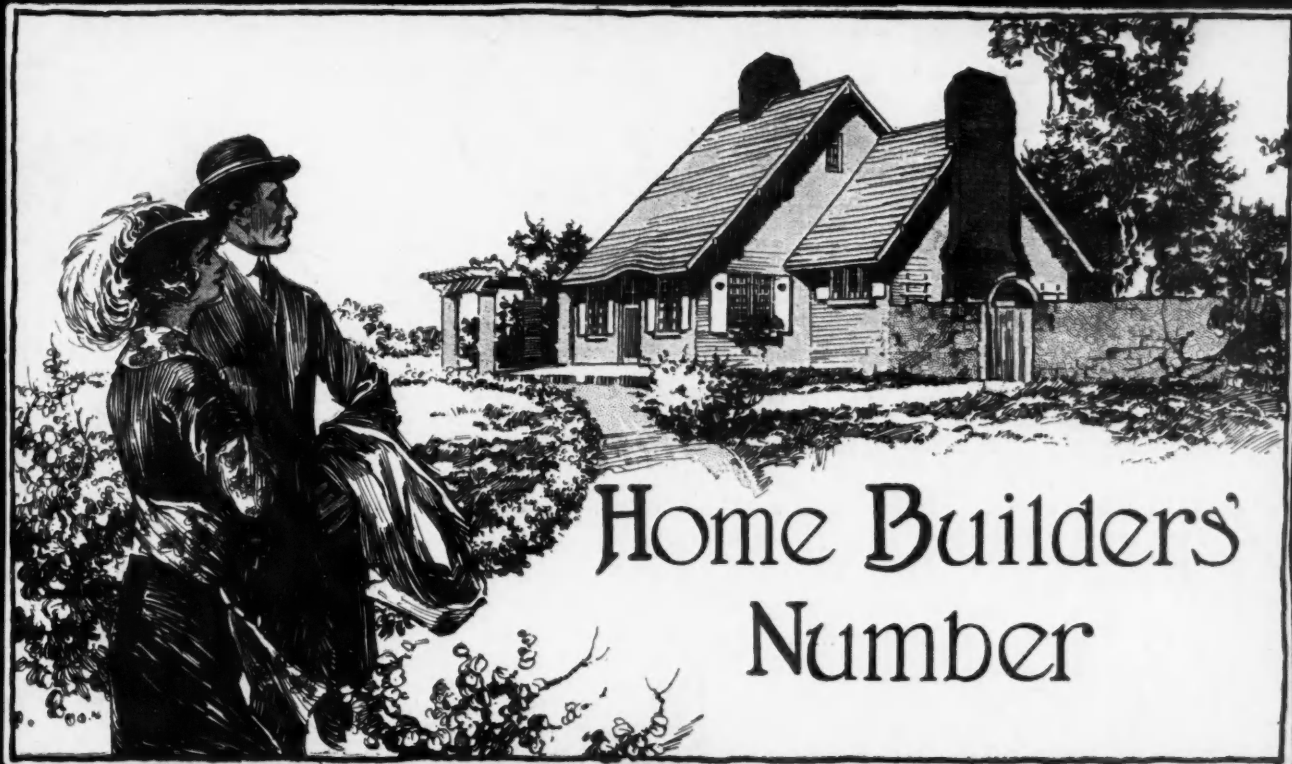
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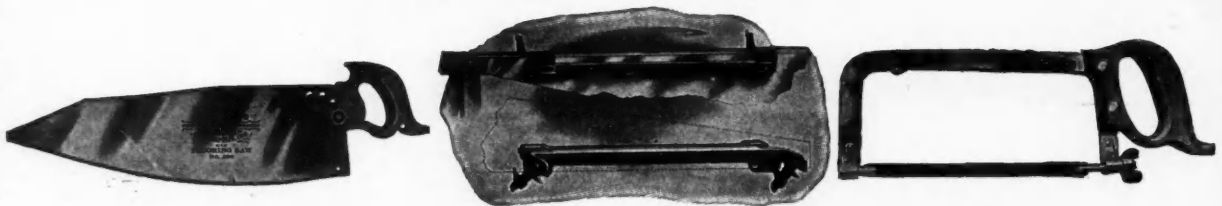
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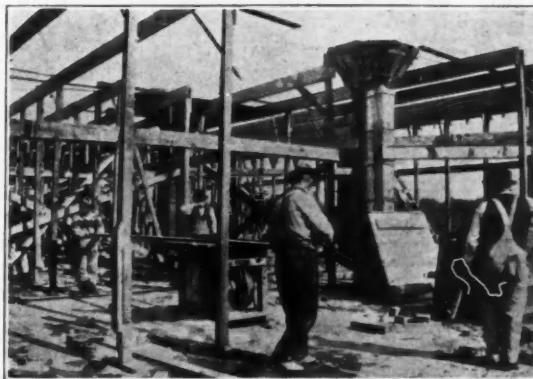
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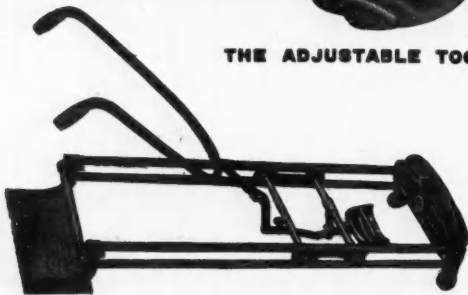
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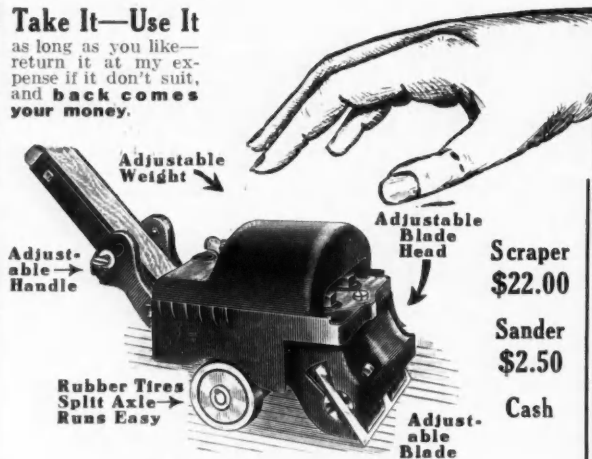
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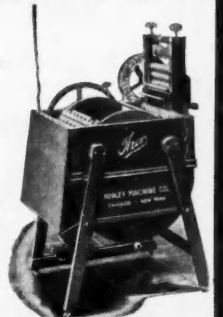
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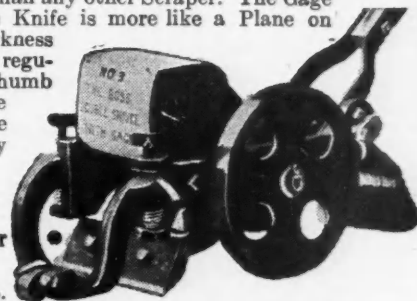
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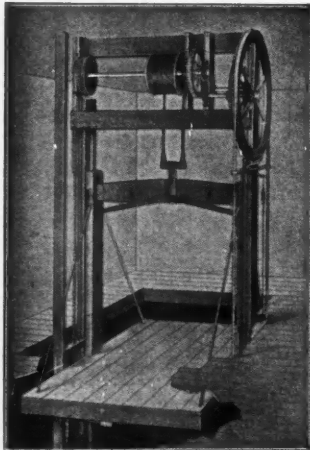
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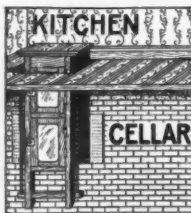
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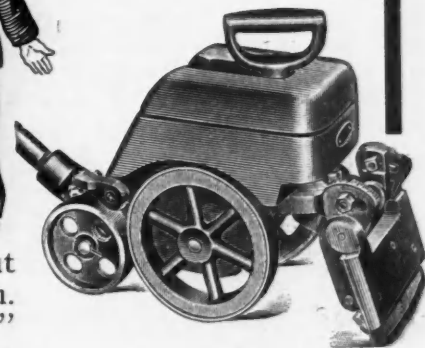
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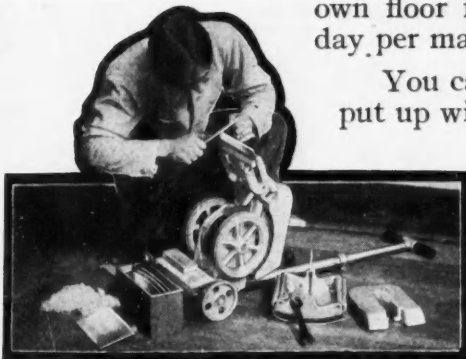
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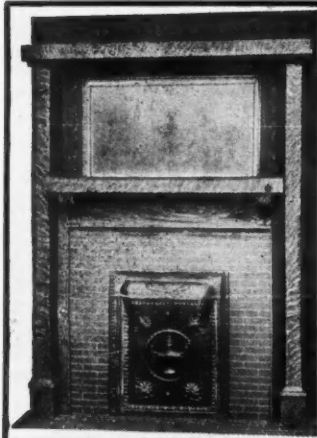
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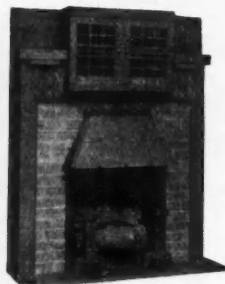
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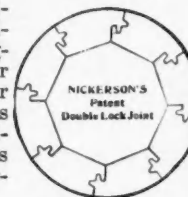
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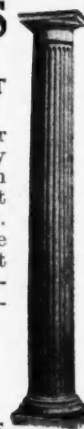
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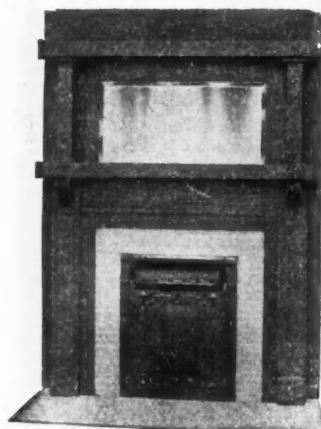
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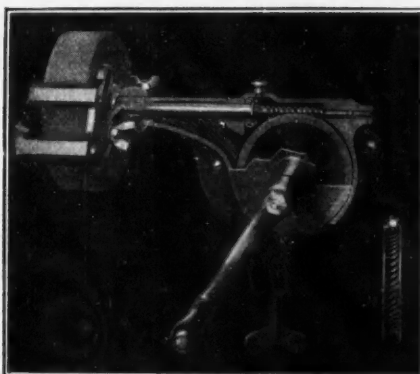
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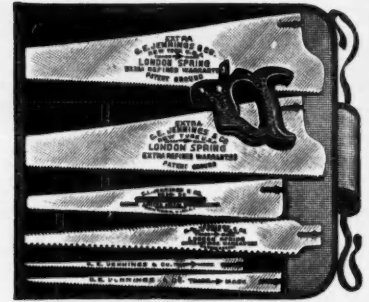
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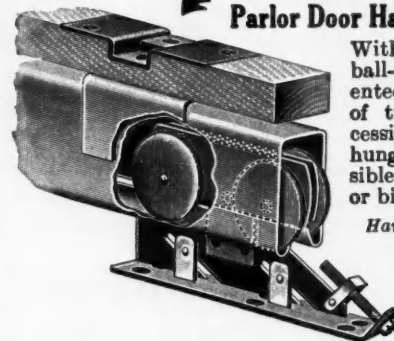
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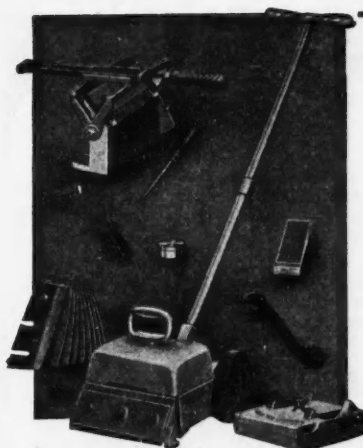
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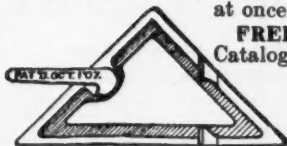
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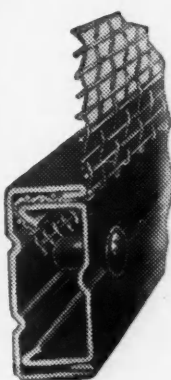
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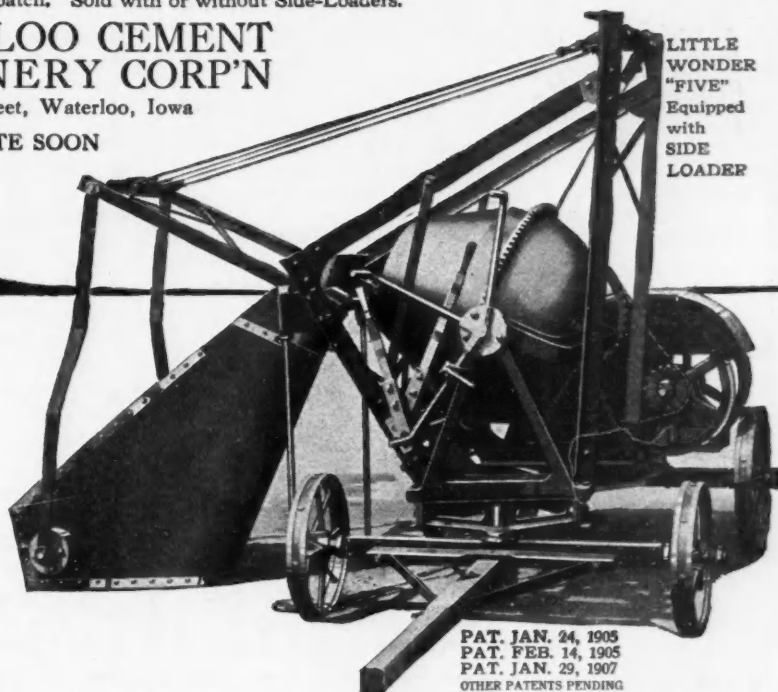
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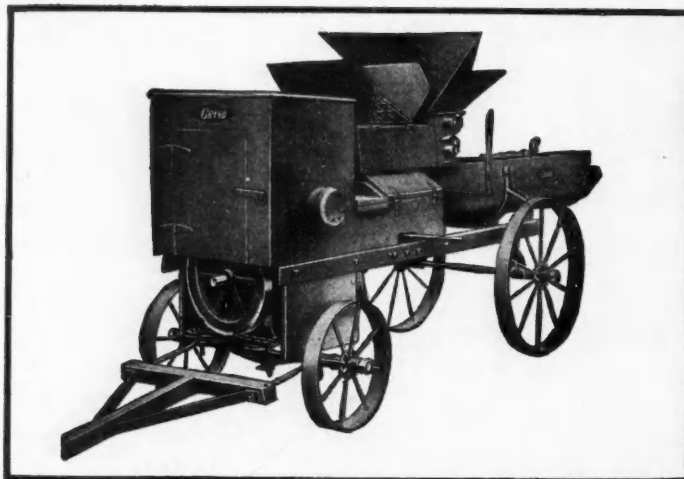
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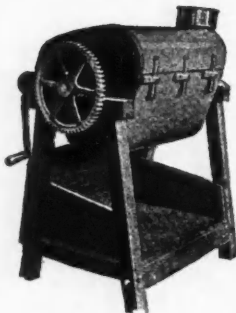
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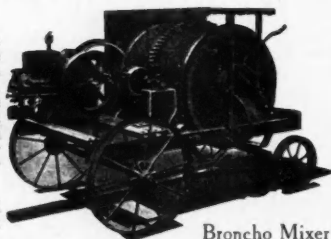
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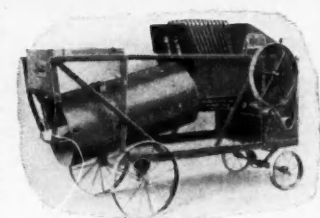
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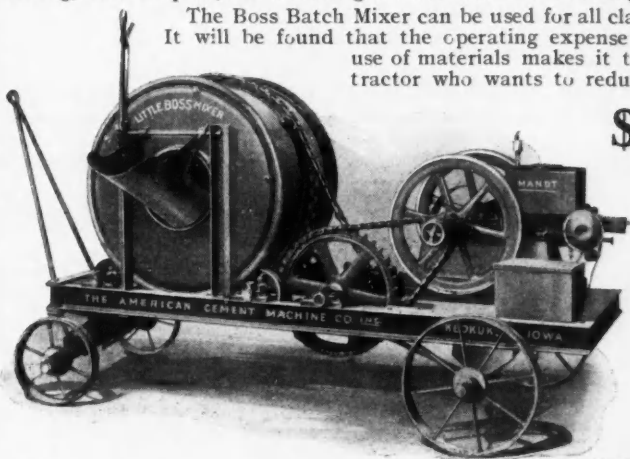


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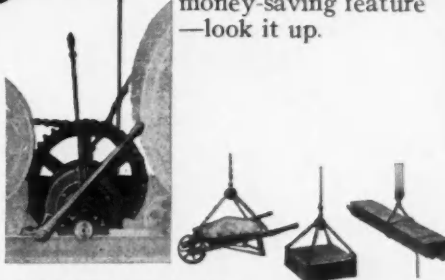
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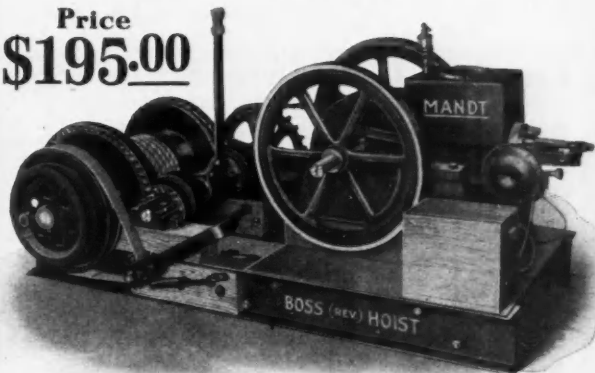
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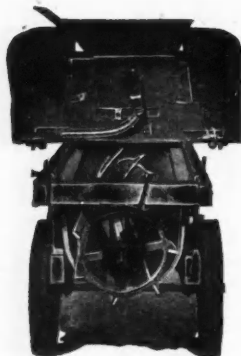
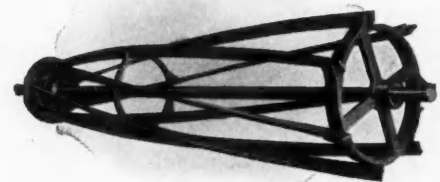
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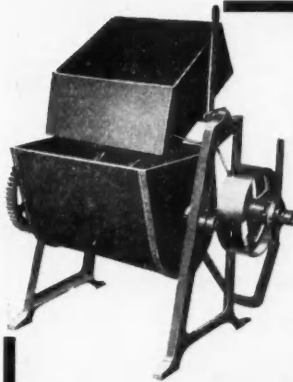
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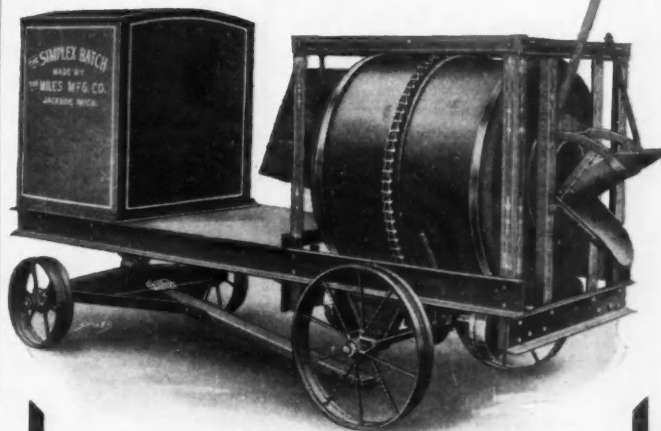
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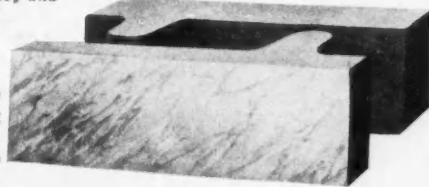
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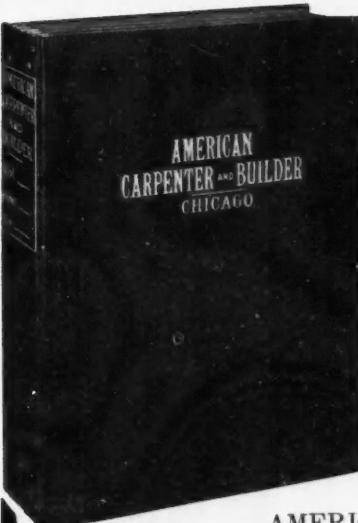
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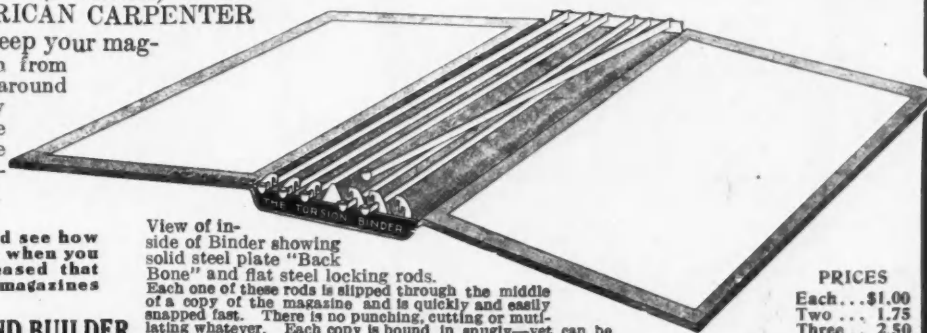
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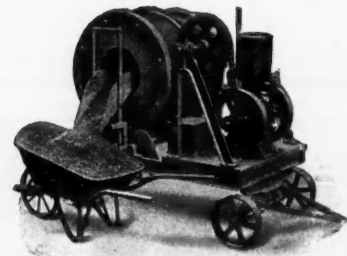
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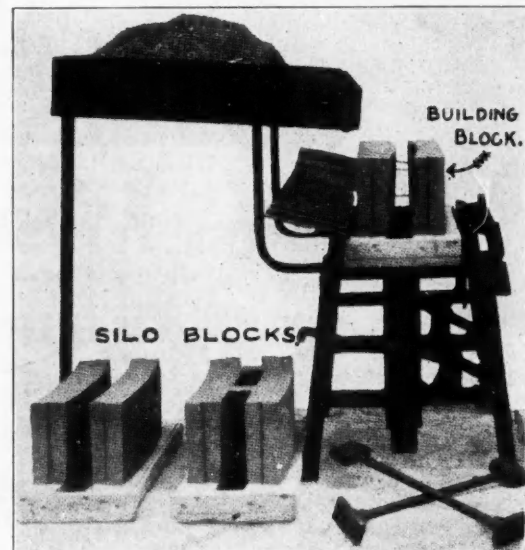
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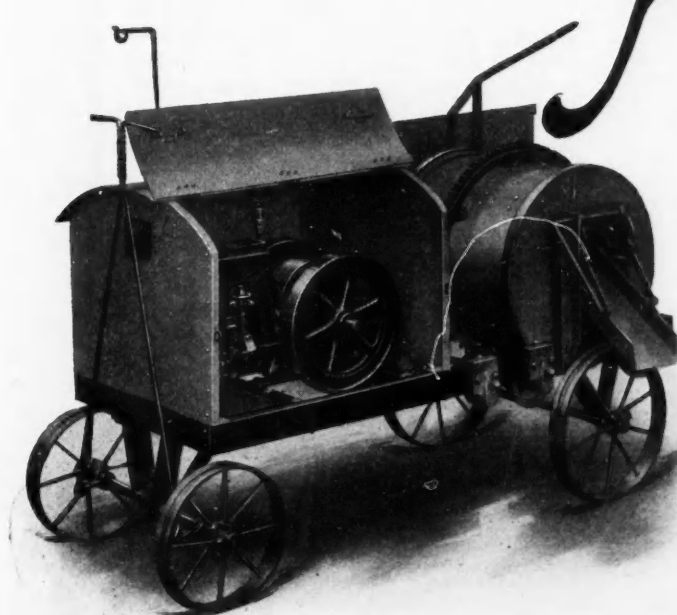


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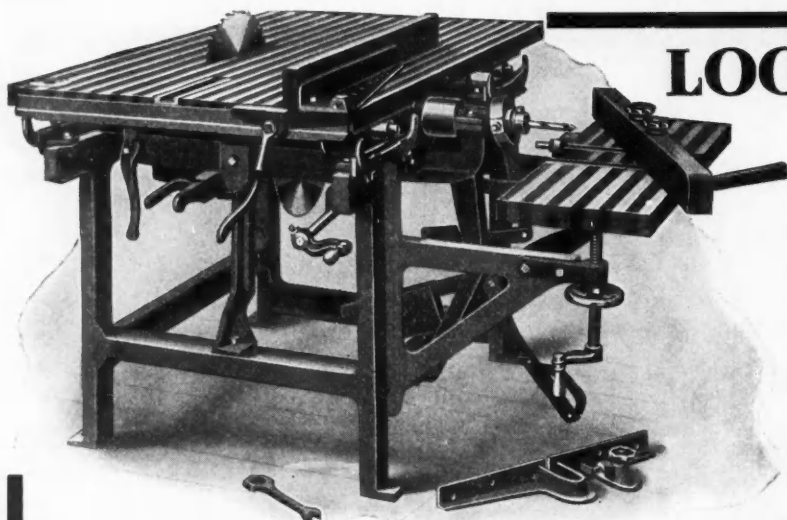
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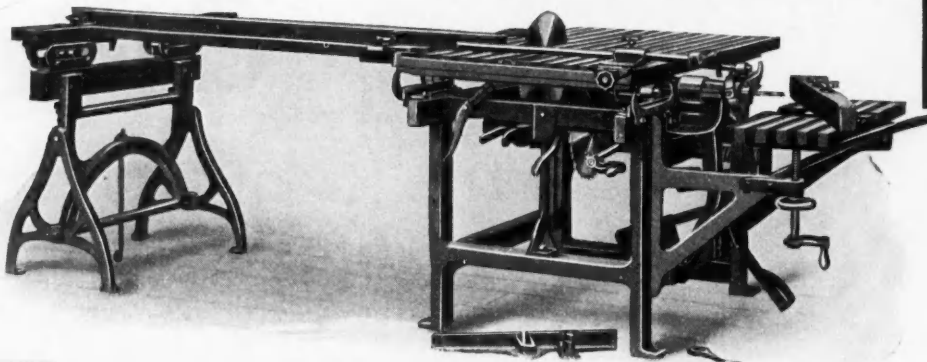
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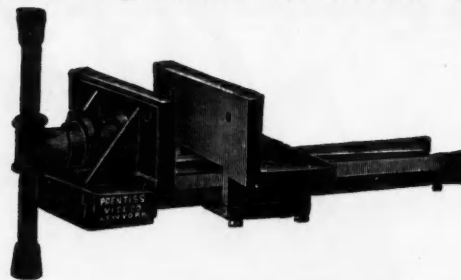
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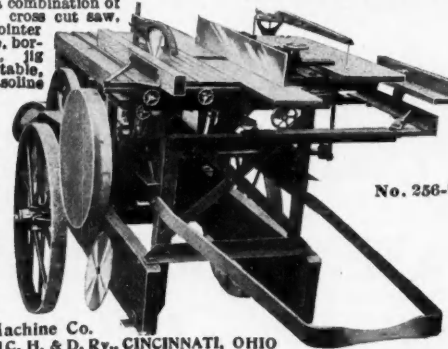
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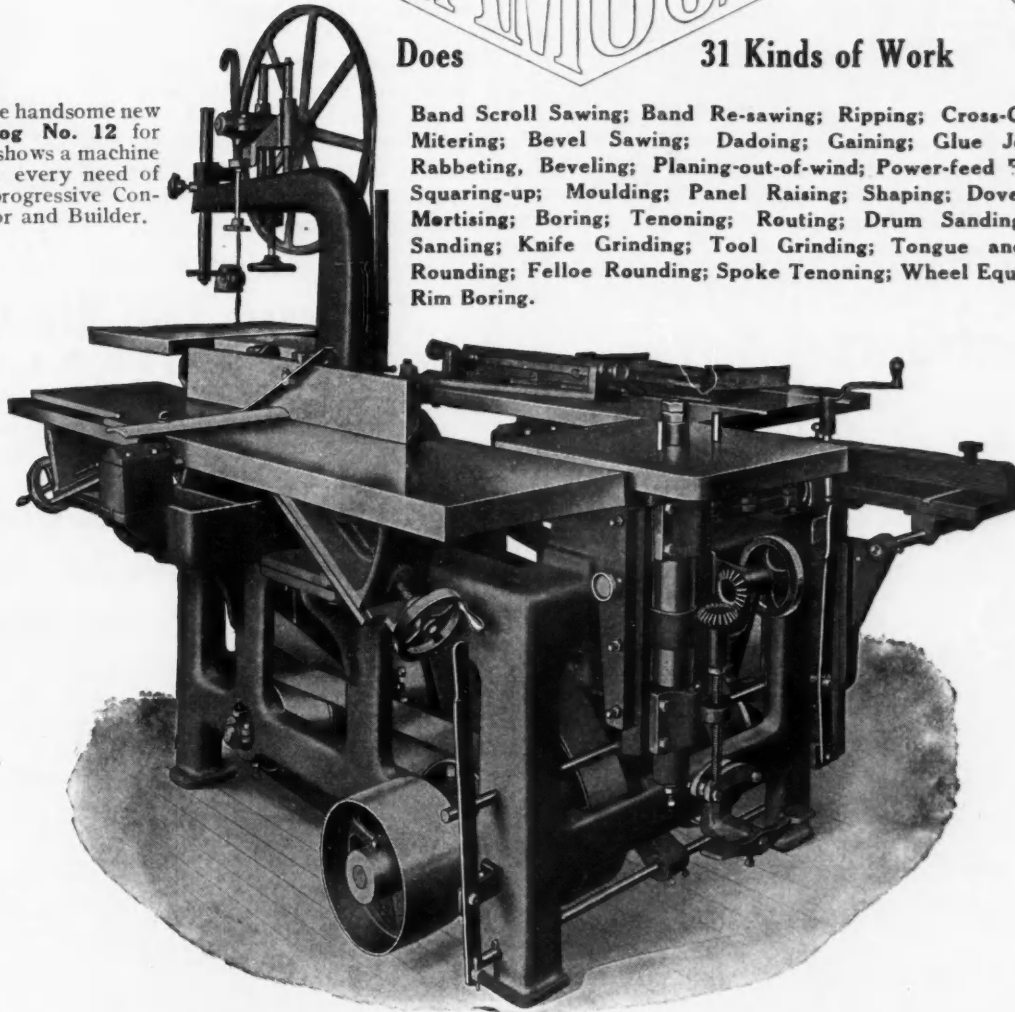
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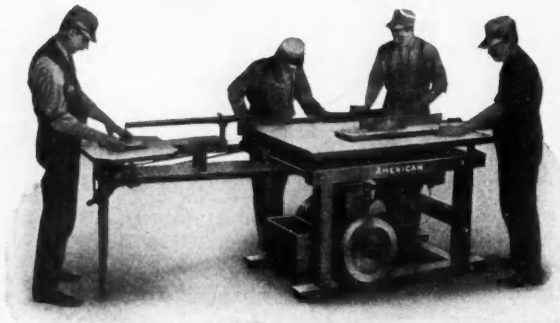
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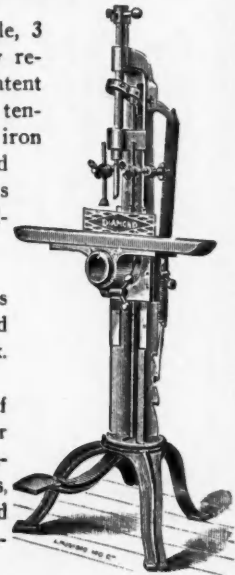
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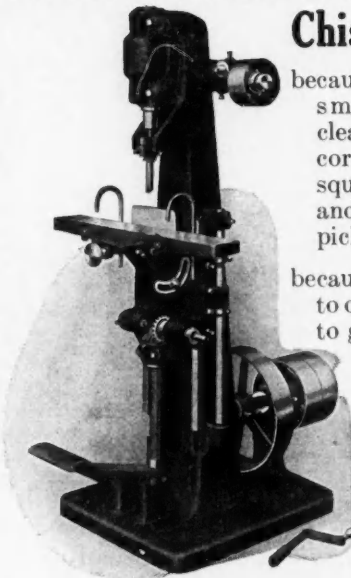
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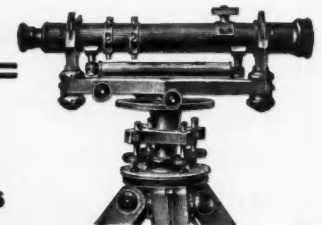
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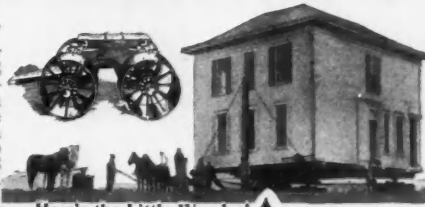


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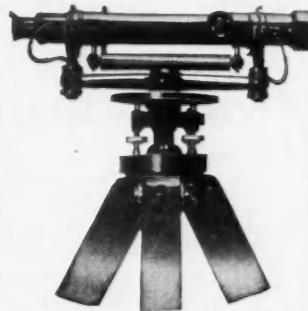
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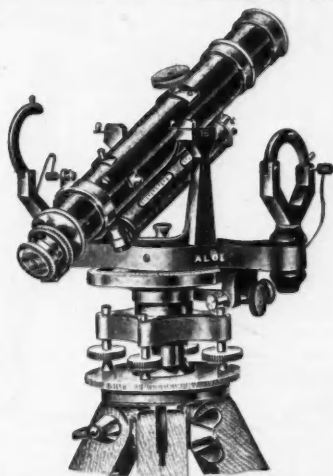
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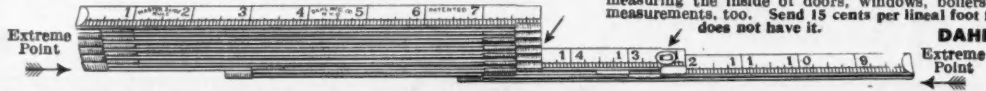
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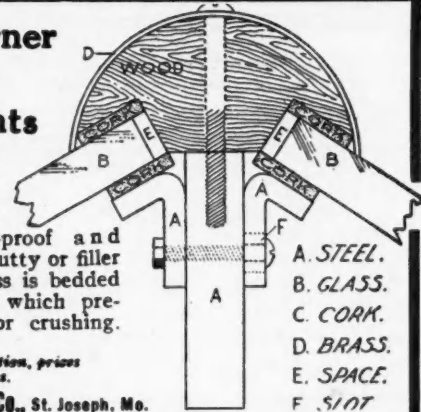
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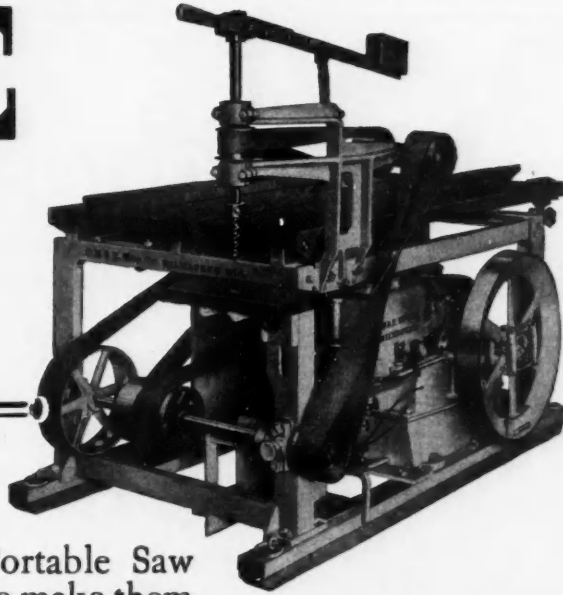
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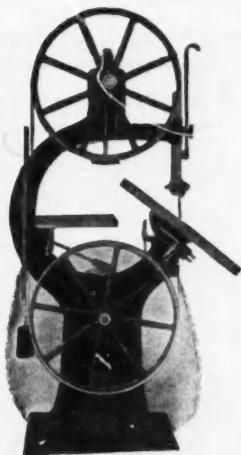
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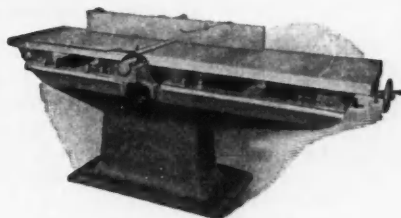


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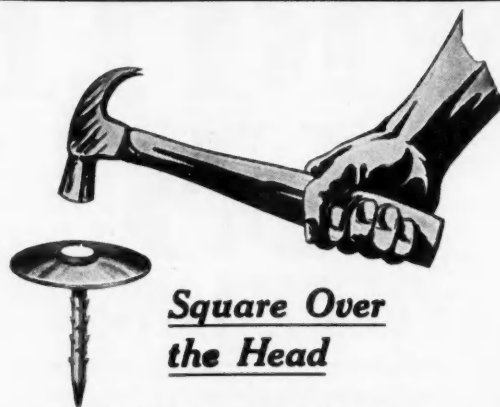
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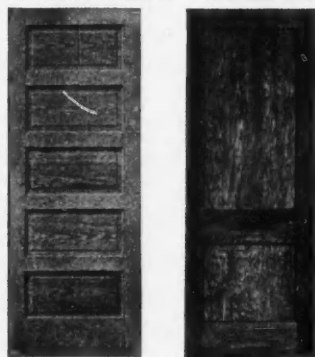
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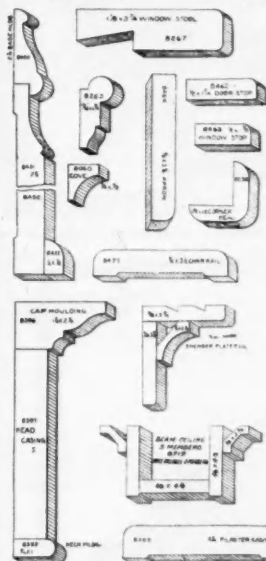
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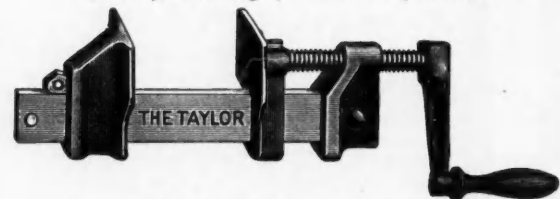
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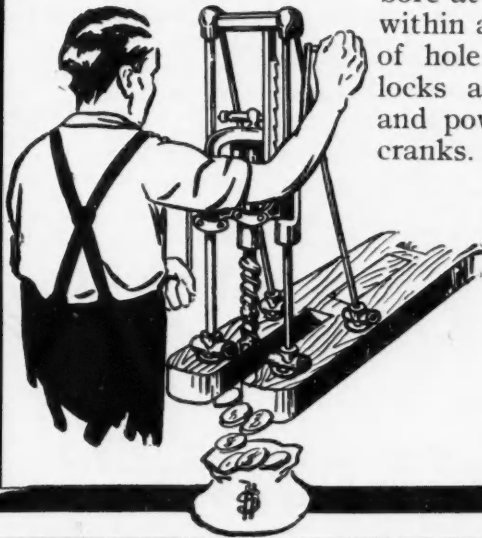
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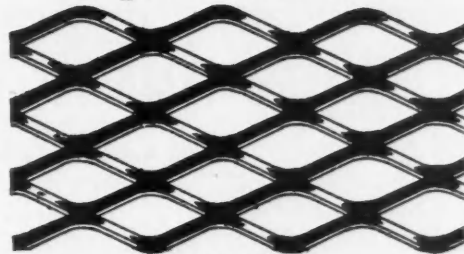
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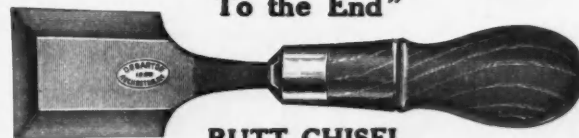


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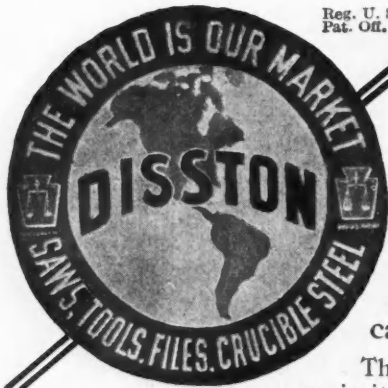


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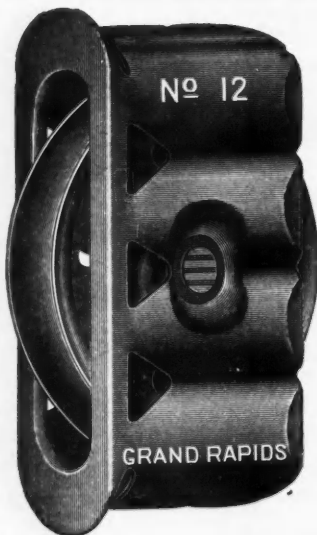
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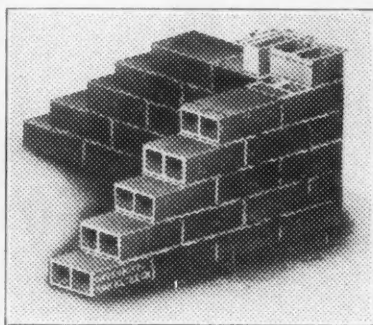
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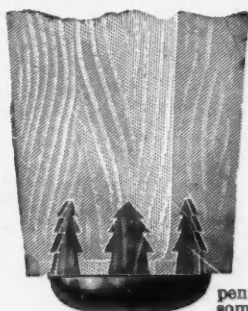
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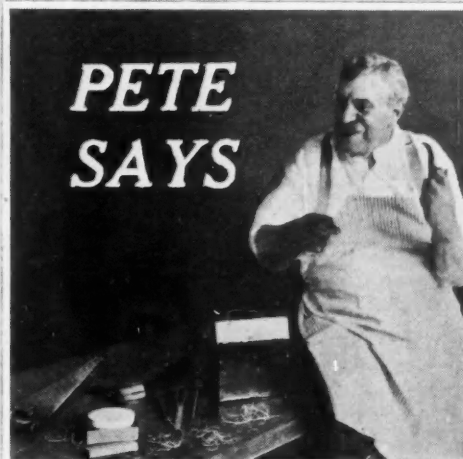
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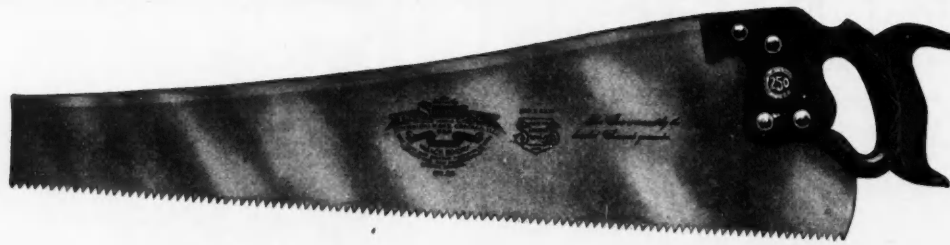
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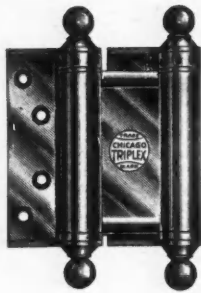
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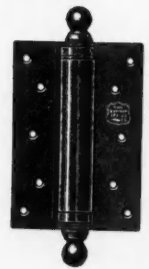
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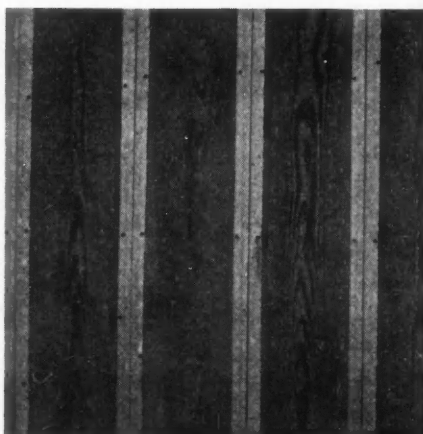
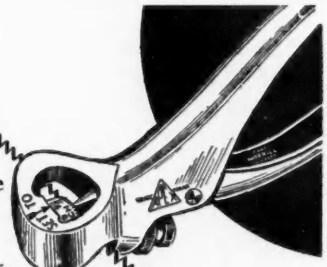
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**The Fun of Being a Foreman**  
By G. B. Holmes

THE young mechanic has or should have an ambition to advance. The logical advancement is foreman or contractor. The position of foreman is one of the best stepping-stones to contracting, because he learns the ins and outs of the business and is getting his experience and salary at the same time.

The good foreman is always in demand at a good wage. His qualifications are many. He should have honesty, ability as a mechanic, good judgment and tact.

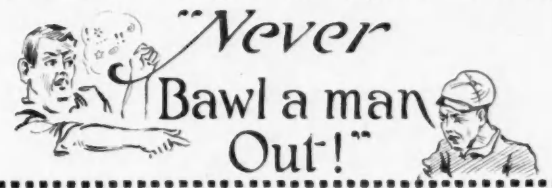
The successful foreman is the one that makes few mistakes, is economical in the use of material, keeps the men satisfied while putting forth their best efforts and makes a friend and booster for his firm of the builder.

The aspirant to foreman should not let a single item on a job go by of which he does not fully understand the how and the why. Ask questions, read, think, study, plan the next day's work for your

bunch and see how far you missed. Study the plans at noon or take them home at night, if you can, and find out what you don't know about them. Your interest will bring results quicker than you might think, for there is always someone ready to let you take part of his responsibility if you want to carry it.

Make yourself a good mechanic, as well as a good judge of men, and your time will be sure to come. When it does come, don't think that your troubles have ceased, for they have barely commenced; nor that you know it all, for if you do you are to be disappointed.

I will never forget the first house on which I was foreman. I thought I knew a house from "a" to "izzard," but this one was "izzard." There were older and better mechanics on the job than I, but for certain reasons I was put in charge. The house was a forty-five hundred, two-story frame and there were eight men on the job. I had my sills all framed and started to put them on the foundation. Well, they did not fit. I could feel the sweat start down my back as I saw the boys smiling at one another,



and it was not very hot, either. I got the plans and measured the sills; finding them all right, I measured the foundation and found a cross wall out of place. I was still at sea regarding what was best to do, and instead of thinking a little I took my plans and started for the shop about a mile away, leaving the boys to enjoy themselves the best they



"Instead of Using My Wits, I Legged it to the Shop"

could during my absence. When I got to the shop I showed the boss my mistake. After about twenty seconds he said: "Why the h—I didn't you run on your sills and let them brick under them; do you think we keep cross walls in stock over here?" I went back and ran them on, having lost about an hour for eight men.

We progressed nicely then till the second floor joists were on and were running the top plates, when sighting over them I noticed the center was low. On further investigation I found that I had forgotten to double the plate on the first floor partitions. Well, that took some time, cusses and tears almost. I made up my mind firmly then not to make another mistake. Well, I didn't till we got to the roof. Two of us were cutting the rafters and we had them piled around in nice little piles, when I saw the boss coming. I looked at my rafters with satisfaction—when all of a sudden it came over me that I had the whole lot wrong, having cut them for hip instead of valley rafters. I kept on cutting until he was gone, then resawed the whole lot. I told him about it afterwards. I showed my tact there, for had I told him at the time he would have deprived himself of

my services—he not being very tactful.

Eventually the house was plastered and we were finishing, when someone spoke of the stairway being dark, then it was that I thought of that extra window frame I could not find a place for on either of the floor plans, but I had not looked on the elevation. That window took a few more hours, cuss words and tears, but it left a sadder and wiser boy, for I was only twenty.

We all make mistakes once in awhile, but you can always lay it to ignorance, carelessness or having the mind on something else besides the work in hand.

I have known many good mechanics who were not good foremen. Perhaps they were lacking in self-confidence, were wasteful of equipment or in cutting material. It only takes a little either way to make or lose a day's wages. Or they were not posted on the best and quickest method of doing work. But by far the fault of most of them lay with the men in not getting the work done well and cheaply or in dissatisfaction of one sort or another.

First of all, you must have the respect of the men. You must give and expect fair treatment. They must realize that you know what a fair day's work is and you expect them to give it. Never "bawl a man out" unless you are absolutely sure you are right, and even then it is better to take him to one side and say whatever is necessary; not abusively, but plainly. A word of commendation is good where it is deserved; not the hot-air kind, for that soon shows up.

Men are all different; some you can handle one way, some another. Study each man, his likes and dislikes, as well as his limitations. When you find a chronic kicker or knocker, hire a taxi so as to get his money for him at once, then bid him good-bye.

Watch your men and what they do, try to keep track of good men and keep them with you, those that will stick in time of storm as well as fair weather.

In your relation to the owner, convince him you want to do the right thing (and be honest about it); humor him, if necessary, but take a firm stand for your rights when compelled to. Be very careful in your statements to him, not committing yourself too far, as you are the contractor's agent, and you may get him where he doesn't want in.

Don't be too sure your client is an old fogey, for he may have the same opinion of you, and be as near right as you are. So, boys, study your plans, men, methods and the "A. C. & B." and we will all be happy and prosper.

Macomb, Ill.



**A** MAN may be the architect of his own fortunes—but his wife's the contractor.



# The Builders' Alphabet—(Concluded\*)

Verses by A. D. Hunter, Drawings by P. J. K.



**S** stands for Saw Rig; each builder should own,  
They save many a dollar—each dollar's a "bone";  
To secure many "bones", is each builder's ambition,  
So when he grows old, he's got more time for fishin'.



**T** stands for Training, good builders have had,  
It makes all the difference between good and bad;  
A man who's had Training along the right line,  
May feel well equipped big contracts to sign.



**U** stands for Union of all of "Our Folks"—  
Subscribers and Merchants, all staunch as the oaks.  
We're delighted to bring such good men together;  
Here's to your friendship thru all kinds of weather!



**V** stands for Vises, tools of wide use,  
Strong, powerful, handy—they stand much abuse;  
And V stands for Vices, which good builders shun,  
If not, competition will swipe all the fun.



**W** stands for Wallet, a fat one we need,  
These days of tall prices to buy just our "feed".  
Of all wallet fatteners the best one that I know—  
For go-ahead builders is Radford's big Cyclo.



**X** stands for Xpert, and Y stands for YY's,  
A man's mighty lucky if he's expert and wise;  
And Z stands for Zenith, or height of attainment,  
That's achieved by good work from attic to basement.

\*for which Allah be praised.

# MAKING THE HOME GROUNDS

## Some Simple Gardening Effects

*"This is her garden; in it day by day  
She lived and worked, with patient, tender care  
Marshaling her flowers in orderly array  
Till beauty clad the earth that once was bare."*

—MILDRED HOWELLS



**T**HIS is the story of a Little Home and its brave show of plants and flowers.

On a certain car line running out from the city to one of the suburbs there are dwellings of all sizes and conditions—many flat buildings; not a few large mansions, now somewhat dilapidated; the usual run of little cottages; a ramshackle hut or two. In fact, the places you pass on this street car line are just about as you see them everywhere.

I have made this little journey a good many times. The first time was in mid-summer. Most of the yards were grown up to long grass and weeds. All was dust covered. The freshness of spring had gone.

And then a little place blossomed into view, like an oasis in the desert. It was just the tiniest scrap of a cottage set back pretty well from the street; but such a cool looking, delightful little

home it was! A crimson rambler rose clamored up the front—clear to the roof, screening the porch. Honeysuckle and fox glove nodded their heads along under the windows, and out in the front was an immense bed of cannas just beginning to blossom. The grass was neatly cut. Everything was fresh and well watered.

In all that ride of ten or twelve miles that little dwelling looked the most inviting and homelike. The cottage itself was the plainest little house imaginable, costing probably less than a thousand dollars. In fact, in the winter time when nature's ornamental covering was removed, the place proved to be almost a mere shack.

Seven or eight dollars would buy all the plants and flowers that worked this marvel, and half an hour a day of care was all they required.

Every since that first day this flower embowered home stuck in the memory. I used to watch for it on the car, and through all the summer, and late into the fall it was a joy. There were other homes along those ten miles that had

cost fifty times what this one did, but one never looked at them the second time nor remembered them.

This is what flowers and vines and shrubs and green grass, nicely kept, can do for any building. Simple landscape gardening about the home does more to make the place really beautiful than the design or the size of the house itself.

Home builders used to make the mistake, and doubtless many are still making it, of clearing off all of the natural growth that may be on the proposed building site before commencing to

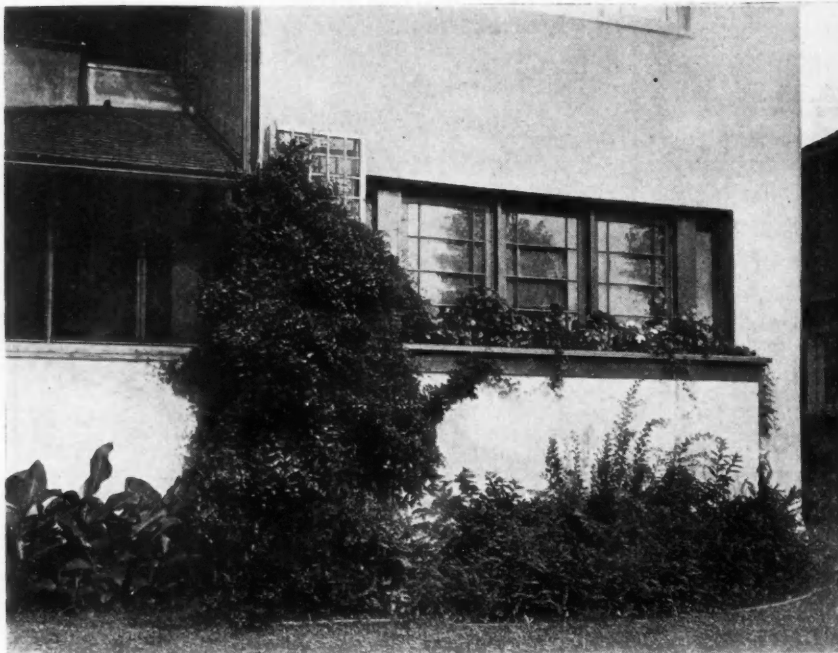


Screen of castor beans, elephant ears, and summer cypress for concealing the neighbors' yards at the rear.

build. Trees that it had taken fifty years to grow have been cut down, which might have been saved by changing the position of the proposed structure just a little.

Keep all of the trees and shrubs you have, and don't be anxious to level down the building site to a flat smoothness to the street level. A house, especially a small one or a bungalow, always looks the best placed up from the street on a terrace or knoll.

At a very slight expense enough flowering plants and vines can be had at any greenhouse to make the front door yard of any new home very attractive for the first year. Window boxes and porch boxes should be filled and put in place. A good many of the most up-to-date houses are specially designed with tin

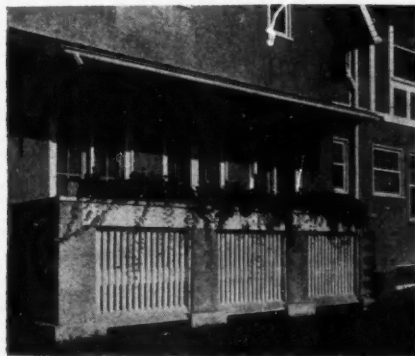


A built-in-place window box filled with bright flowers, a vine trellis, and a bank of foliage along the foundation wall rescue this Oak Park, Illinois, dwelling from the commonplace.



lined boxes outside of window groups, and along the porch rails. These are both on the first floor and the upper stories. A flash of brilliant color from geraniums and petunias brighten up a building wonderfully.

Perennials should also be set out at once. Ordinarily they don't amount to very much the first year, but if well cared for they constantly grow and improve, so that they are a permanent investment. It is often the best of wisdom to pay a little more and have flowering shrubs set out by the nursery people and guaranteed. Then if any plant does not do well it is replaced

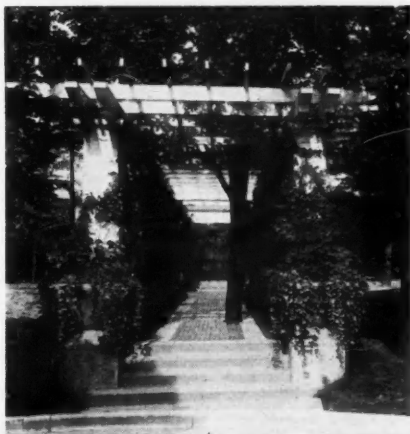


Long flower box built in along a side porch rail.

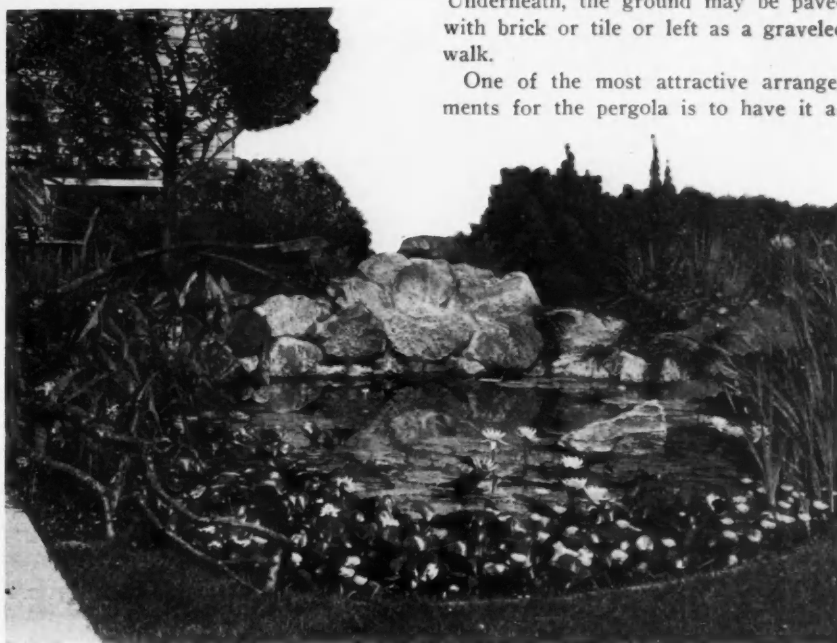
without expense. The nurserymen usually guarantee their shrubs for two years, which is plenty long enough as there is little danger of plants dying out after they are two years old.

At the rear of nearly every yard is some objectionable or unattractive view, and this may be easily screened from the house by proper planting.

Castor beans grow into huge, broad leafed plants in a couple of months; a very interesting plant to grow, of beautiful reddish green foliage, and one of the largest of the annuals. Specimens



Brick and concrete walk, pergola covered. Entrance is decorated with concrete vase flower pots.



Garden pool and rockery in the side yard of an Oak Park, Illinois, residence. Egyptian lotus in full bloom.

eight feet high are by no means unusual. A group of plants consisting of three or four castor beans as a back ground, a dozen "elephant ear" palms, and a foreground of summer cypress make a beautiful screen along the back fence or in front of an out building.

For those who have a good deal of space at the side or back of the house a pergola, vine covered, will be the center of interest for the gardening plan.

The pergola is a semi-shelter consisting of a series of columns supporting



A little shingled dwelling, vine covered and set well up on a terrace.

a canopy of rafters with ornamental ends. There are many designs to choose from, and various materials. Cypress posts are most often used. Sometimes the columns are built up with a covering of metal lath and are cement plastered. Solid cast stone columns are also used. Underneath, the ground may be paved with brick or tile or left as a graveled walk.

One of the most attractive arrangements for the pergola is to have it as



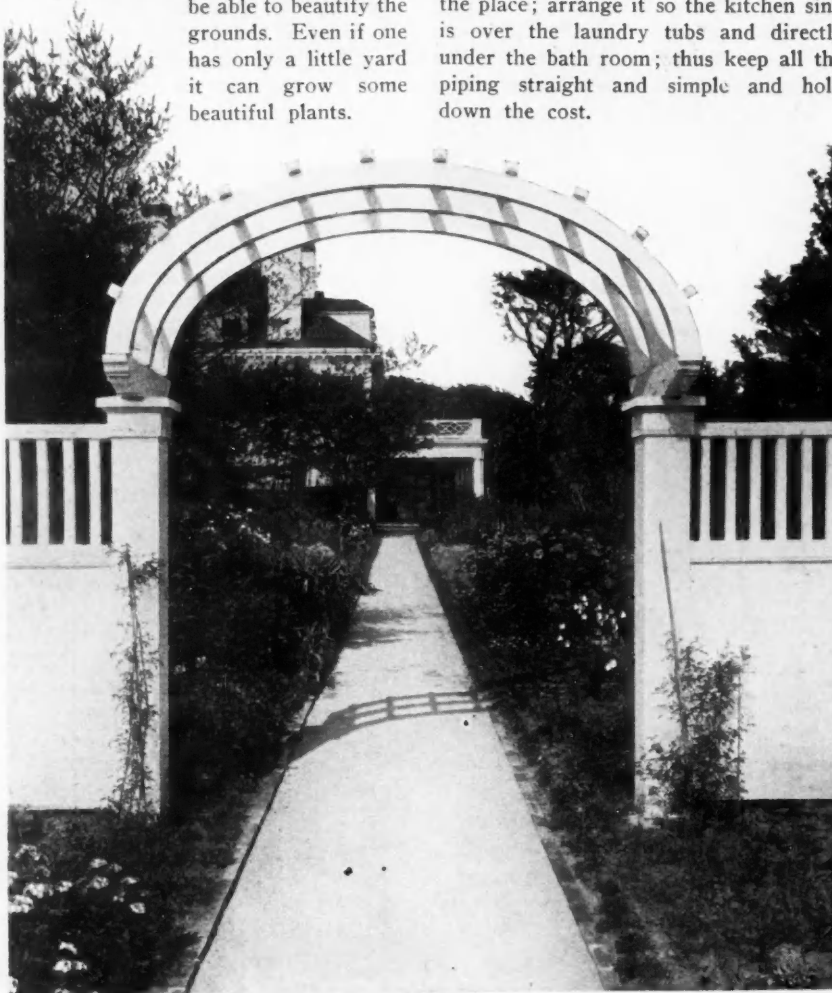
a connecting link between the house and garage.

Pergolas also serve as summer houses or lawn shelter covering an ornamental garden seat, an inviting nook on a hot day.

Another garden feature for those who have plenty of room is the rockery or pool. A shallow basin of concrete is made and the water pipes arranged so that the pool can be kept filled with fresh water. There is a chance for ingenuity in laying out a pool for best effect. It should not be too regular. Rough stones, some large ones and some smaller, are piled together along one edge for a back ground. One soon becomes an enthusiast and a student of aquatic plants and of the interesting and rare specimens that grow beside the water. A rockery and pool become worth while as they become populated with more and more unusual varieties of plants and flowers.

Animal life also adds charm. Little fish and turtles and even a common frog add interest to one's garden aquarium.

Of all the delights of home building and of living in one's own home instead of in a rented house, the greatest is to be able to beautify the grounds. Even if one has only a little yard it can grow some beautiful plants.



An ornamental fence with arched gateway separates one part of this large garden from the other.



The classic pergola connects the house with the garage.

The vegetable garden and the poultry yard we value for their utility. The flower garden is a tribute to home sentiment and the love of the beautiful. Health and happiness come by improving the surroundings of the home no matter how modest it may be.

BERNARD L. JOHNSON.

Don't scatter the plumbing all over the place; arrange it so the kitchen sink is over the laundry tubs and directly under the bath room; thus keep all the piping straight and simple and hold down the cost.

### Don'ts for Home Builders

Don't invest in cheap plumbing and lavatory fittings. If you do you'll soon discover it to be the most "expensive" economy you ever tried.

Don't plan a wonderful variety of color schemes in decorating when the consistent use of simple color combinations gives far more pleasing and decorative results.

Don't forget that rooms designed after simple, straight lines lend themselves more easily to decoration, prove more sanitary and are less tiresome to live in than badly arranged rooms.

Don't fail to have a large sheltered porch off the living or dining room, to be screened in summer and glassed in for a sun parlor in the winter.

Don't build your living porch to the west; it would be sunny in the afternoon, just when the housewife is freest to enjoy it. East, southwest, and south are the best exposures.

Don't regret it afterwards—make it a two-story porch, the second floor for out-door sleeping. There is nothing more healthful.

Don't let your front door open directly into the living room. A hall or vestibule cuts off cold.

Don't plan to have the stairway ascend from the living room. It's more picturesque than useful.

Don't overlook composition flooring for the bath room and the front vestibule. It is so easy to keep clean.

Don't miss having a laundry chute from the bedroom floor to the basement. It is the greatest convenience in the house.



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## Old Sol Will Heat Your Water—Free

California Home Builders Making Use of Unique Solar Heating Arrangement to Furnish Hot Water—  
Soon Pays for Itself

By C. L. Edholm

**L**ET the sun do the work! That's the talk out in sunny California. Home owners are enjoying hot water that is sun warmed.

The idea is O. K., and will soon be tried out in other parts of the country.

In order to provide shower baths with warm water at a minimum cost, the playgrounds of Los Angeles are equipped with day-and-night solar heaters, an improved style which will supply plenty of hot water, even on a cloudy day. This affords the children a refreshing shower of warm water; and the results are so excellent that

dependent upon the sunshine from day to day, as a system of conserving the heat allows for a hot-water supply even after 48 hours of cloudy weather. This is provided by a packing similar to that used in fireless cookers, which keeps the water in the tank from cooling.

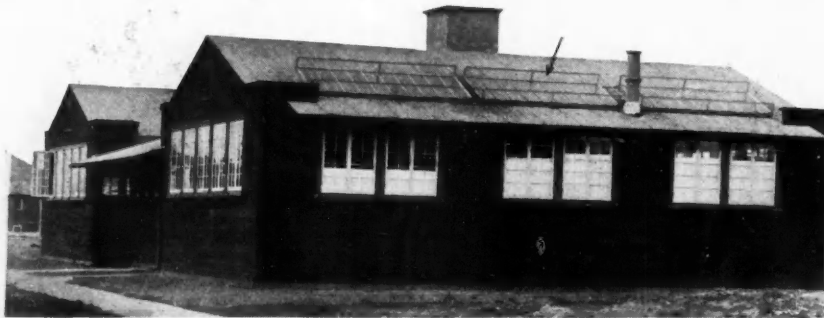
Some typical installations with cost give an idea of the economy of this system: At the Echo Park playgrounds in Los Angeles there are four solar heaters; one on the girls' building and one on the boys'. Each of these has a capacity of 120 gallons, and was installed at a cost of \$240. They supply

since the first crude coil was set on a roof, with a southern exposure. There are two distinct parts to the solar heater; first, the sun coil for heating the water, which is usually placed on the roof of the building, though it may be placed on a garage, out-building, pergola or specially constructed framework. The second essential feature is the storage boiler, which is packed to prevent radiation of heat, and this is placed in any convenient part of the house, usually in the attic.

Circulating pipes connect the sun coil and the boiler. As the latter is always a little higher than the coil, the hot water must naturally flow up into the boiler, while the cold water from the bottom of the tank passes into the sun coil, where it, in turn, is heated. Thus, as long as the sun shines, a constant circulation is kept up.

The supply is tapped from the top of the boiler, where the water is hottest, and the inlet for the city water (or domestic water system) is at the bottom of the storage tank.

The sun coil consists of a combination of  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch galvanized pipe, on a sheet of copper, enclosed in a flat, thin, air-tight box with a glass top. This is set on or about the house, with a



A Park Playground in Los Angeles. Solar Heaters on Roof Warm Water for Shower Baths

several schools in the county have adopted the same device, among them being the Monrovia and Pasadena High Schools, and the grammar schools at San Gabriel and Placentia.

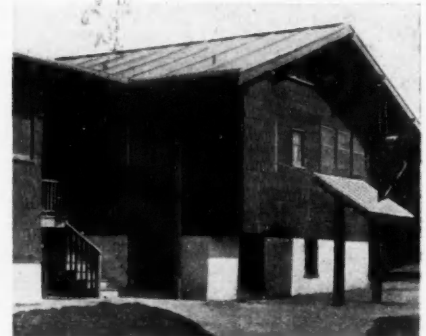
The advantages of the present-day solar heater are that the first cost of installation is all the expense required and that the supply of hot water is not

all the hot water required for the showers with no cost for artificial heat. At the Athletic Park playground is a much larger equipment with a capacity of 500 gallons, which cost \$700, and in the San Diego playground is a 200-gallon heater which cost \$350.

While the principle of the solar heater is not new, it has been greatly improved



Fine Residence of F. D. Butterfield, Los Angeles, Who Writes That for Two Years the Solar Heater on the Roof Has Furnished Hot Water for Three Bath Rooms in This House. The Ruud Heater Connected Up with It is Seldom Needed.



Sun Coil on Frame Near House

southern exposure, to get the benefit of the sun's rays. The pipe is in the form of a continuous flat coil, through which the water flows while heating, and the maximum heat is secured by soldering the pipe upon the metal sheet, as copper is one of the very best conductors of heat, and the solder forms a metal conductor, joining the coil and the pipe. Thus, a small amount of water, about three gallons in the coil, receives heat from a comparatively large area, and the results are astonishingly rapid. Of course, the glass cover for the box brings in the same principle that is used in the green-house: the heat of the sun is permitted to enter through the glass,





California Bungalow with Sun Coil near Ground at Rear of Building

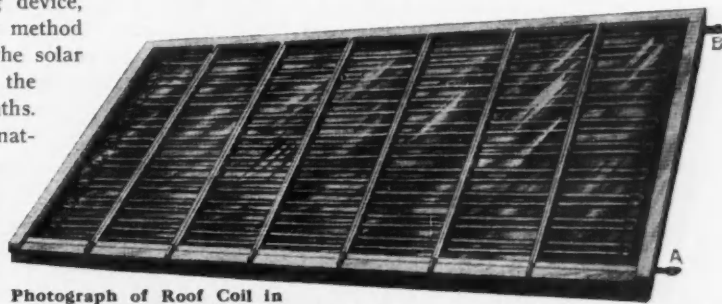
but very little is allowed to escape. The use of a dark felt as interior lining for the box, helps retain the heat. The same material covers the pipe leading from the sun coil to the storage tank.

Circulation between coil and tank is caused by the heat of the sun, therefore the circulation ceases as soon as the sun sets. This means that the water in the coil may cool, but the water in the storage tank will not be affected by it, as it is thoroughly protected by packing.

In warm climate this is all the installation, but in sections subject to freez-

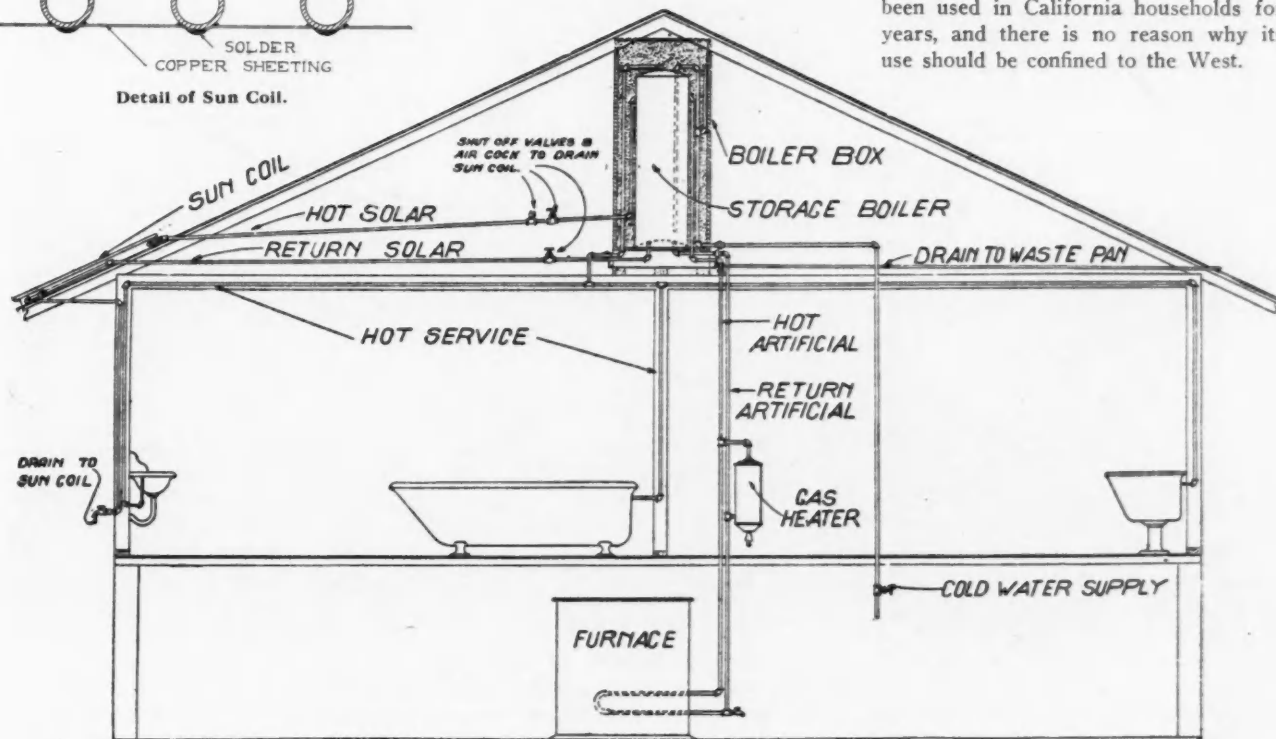
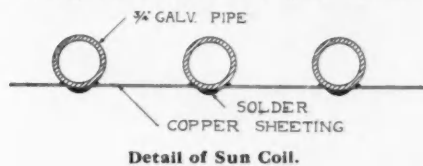
ing weather, a combination with the artificial heating system is necessary. This requires piping to the furnace, or other heating device, and a simple method of draining the solar heater for the winter months. Even so, the natural heat is available for three-fourths of the year, and, in the hot summer weather,

when it delivers water at high temperature without the need of lighting a fire, it adds to the general comfort of a home.



Photograph of Roof Coil in Black Lined, Glass-Covered Box.

While the use of the solar heater for public buildings is new, the system has been used in California households for years, and there is no reason why its use should be confined to the West.



Section Through Building Showing Typical Arrangement of Sun Coil, Hot Water Storage Tank and Arrangement of Pipes to the Various Fixtures. Diagram Shows Gas Heater and Furnace Water-Back in Connection For Use in Cloudy and Cold Weather



## How Home Builders Save Money

Some Good Advice on Where to Economize and Where Not

**H**OME builders save money in the long run by investing a little extra at the start. Either engage the services of a good builder who is skillful at drawing plans; or else send away for complete plans and specifications of the house you decide to build.

It's short-sighted economy to attempt to get along without good plans and specifications.

You've got to give the builders something definite to figure on. Otherwise, they have to add 25 per cent to take care of *extras*. A case came up the other day where a house design was illustrated in the *AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER* which had been actually built and finished complete for \$3,000. Complete plans and specifications had, of course, been used for the work. A reader saw this house design illustrated. Liked it. Put it up to several contractors to build him a house like it. That was all the specifications he gave them;—just the plans and perspective sketch as illustrated in the magazine. Their bids all ran in excess of \$4,000. It wasn't difference in labor conditions or

cost of materials either, for as it happened, his work was to be done within fifteen miles of where the original dwelling had been completed not two months before, for one-fourth less.

It was lack of definite plans and specifications that forced the contractors to figure high. They had to play safe.

See that your plans and specifications are complete in every way before you invite bids on the work.

Cut out the "extras" by specifying *everything*. Changes and additions cost good money.

low bidder is frequently a mistake maker. And in the end you will pay for his mistakes.

Deal always with a responsible builder. One who has a reputation for honesty and good work to maintain.



Well designed two-story porch on a shingled house. First floor is sun parlor and second floor balcony or sleeping porch.



Simple entrance doorway finished with brick. They are arranging entrances like this on the side, leaving the entire front of the modern home for screened living porch.

Avoid freak designs. Compact, conservative home buildings are the best.

After they are designed they are the best looking and they cost much less.

Local building materials are best and cheapest.

Let the mechanics work with materials they are familiar with.

Don't always take the lowest bid. The

It's no economy to try to use cheap materials. Labor is the big item of expense anyway, and it costs just as much to put together cheap stuff.

Furnish good, substantial building materials, then you will have a permanent property. It will cost very little more.

Build warmly. \$25 extra for building paper will save many a ton of hard coal at \$8 per.

An eight-foot basement should be excavated under the entire house. There is nothing colder than a cold floor over a chunk of outside January atmosphere.

Put a smooth concrete floor all over the basement. It will make it dry and usable and easy to keep clean.

Double floors throughout, with building paper between, are good economy. Also lath and plaster the basement ceiling. It will keep furnace dust and cold air out of the house.



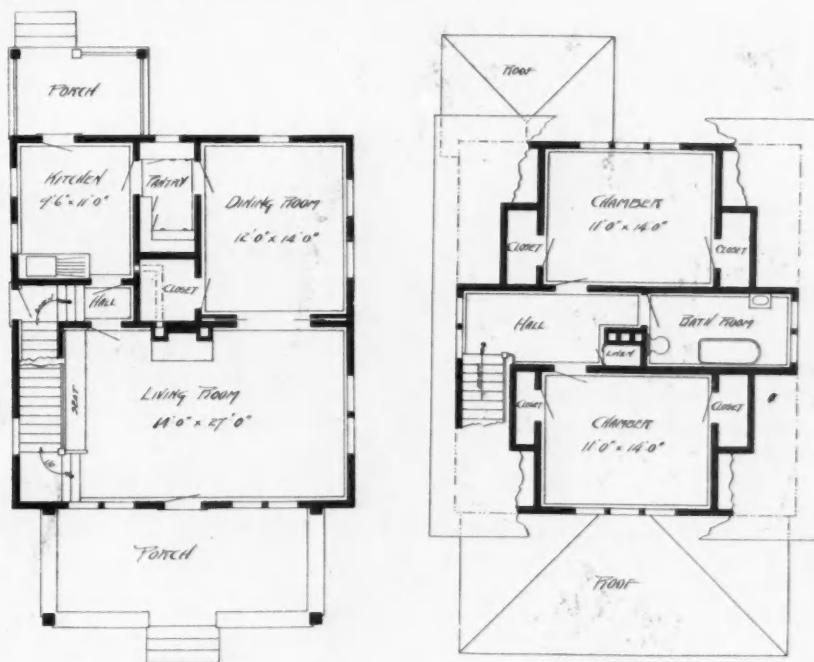
Rough finished cement plaster with ornamental wood paneling is being much used. The lintel of this broad porch is well trussed to prevent sagging.

**Trim, Five-Room, Story-and-a-Half Cottage**

Neatly designed, trim, snug, and home-like is our ideal for the little dwelling that is to prove most popular these days. Start to put up a cottage like this one illustrated and it will be sold or rented before you get the roof on.

The majority of people can't afford to live in a great big place; it costs too much for fuel and lights and furniture. Also it is too much work to take care of. The housewife prefers just a few rooms she can look after herself instead of having to have help.

This is a frame building and has ornamental stucco panels in the gables. The first floor has extra large living room with connecting dining room. Kitchen is handy to the dining room as well as to the front of the house. Side door is a grade entrance onto the cellar stairway landing. On the second floor are two large, well-lighted bedrooms, four clothes closets and large bathroom.



First-Floor Plan

Second-Floor Plan

Arrangement of Five-Room Cottage, Size 27 by 28 Feet.

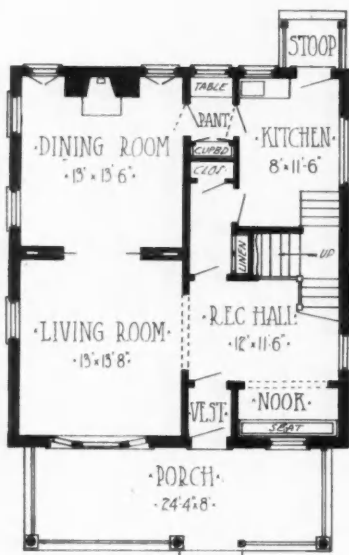


Five-room story-and-a-half cottage. Size, 27 by 28 feet. A very neat little home. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$6.00 per set. Blue-prints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. When ordering ask for Design No. 6540.

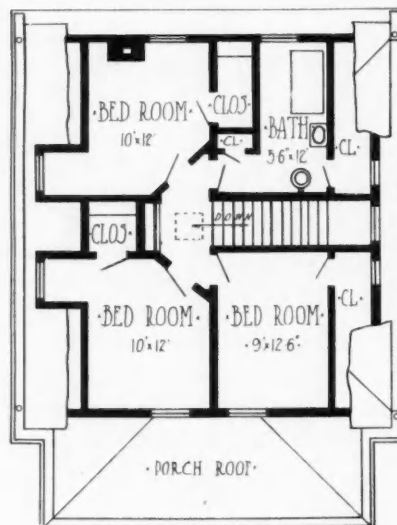




Seven-room, gambrel roof, brick and frame dwelling. Size, 27 by 30 feet. A substantial looking little home. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$10.00 per set. Blue-prints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. When ordering ask for Design No. 6550.



First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan

Arrangement of Seven-Room Gambrel Roof Dwelling, Size 27 by 30 Feet

### Brick and Frame Gambrel Roof Dwelling

There is a look of substantial worth about this seven-room house which strongly appeals to home buyers and

renters. Nevertheless, the cost of construction is no more than for many flimsily built, irregular shaped houses. The main walls are of brick construction up to the second floor. All of the

second floor is within the confines of the double gambrel roof. The three gable ends are sided with wide board siding and the roof is shingled.

The floor plans will show how nicely the interior of this house is laid out. On the first floor we have front vestibule opening into a serviceable reception hall which has an alcove nook with built-in seat. To the left is the living room and back of it the dining room. The kitchen occupies the third corner and is separated from the other rooms by the pantry and the back hall. Front and back stairs go up five steps to a common landing and from there up the single flight serves for both. On the second floor are three nicely arranged bedrooms, large bathroom and an abundance of closet space.

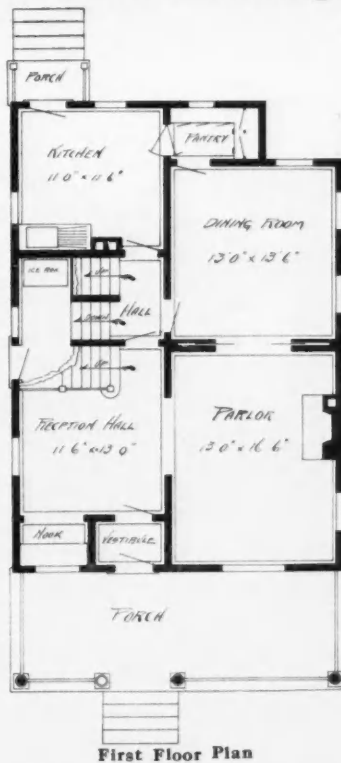
This building can be constructed in several different ways—just as the owner prefers. Solid brick walls for the first story or brick veneered walls make an equally desirable house. Then for the gable ends many will choose cement plaster on metal or wood lath in preference to the wide boards. A siding of shingles would also work in here very appropriately.

**Sensible Hip Roof Residence**

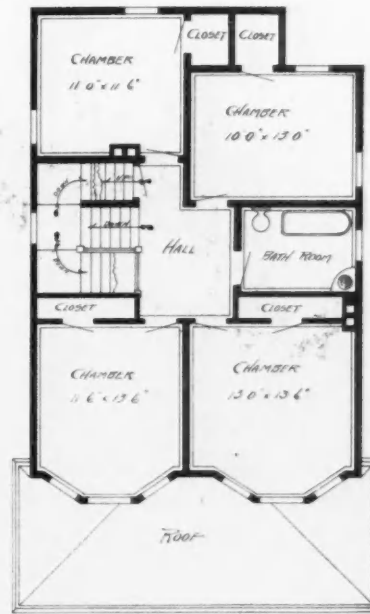
The man who wants a good home and wishes to get the full worth of his money picks out a straightforward house plan like this one, without towers and angles or cut-up fancy work that runs up the cost. He gets a stylish looking, attractive residence, too.

This is an eight-room house with four good sized bedrooms and a bathroom on the second floor. Some space in the attic could also be utilized. The rooms are laid out conveniently. There are front and back stairs coming together at the landing. The side door is a grade entrance opening onto the cellar stairs.

The kitchen is handy to the dining room and to the front door, yet is well insulated from the rest of the house in order to confine the cooking odors and to keep the kitchen noises from annoying the rest of the household. The reception hall is of generous size and can be made very hospitable. It connects with the parlor through a broad cased opening. This and the dining room are large rooms.



First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan

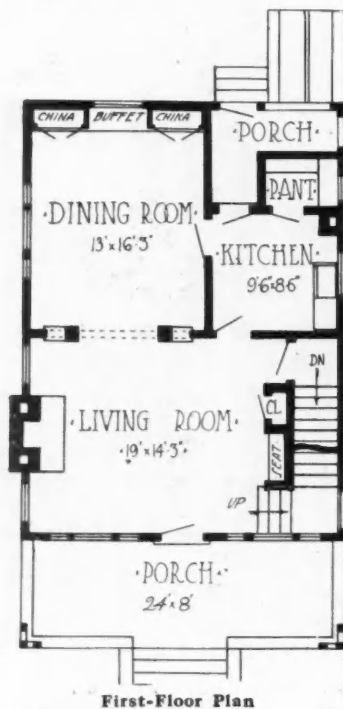
Arrangement of Economical Eight-Room House, Size 26 by 36 Feet 6 Inches.



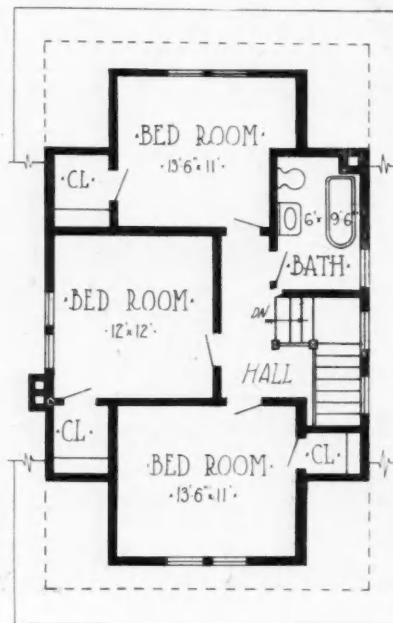
A very economical house to build. Eight-room, frame construction, hip-roof design. Size, 26 by 36 feet 6 inches. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$8.00. Blue-prints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. When ordering ask for Design No. 6554.



A bungalow style cement plaster house, containing six rooms. A stylish little home of moderate cost. Size, 24 by 32 feet. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$9.00. Blue-prints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. When ordering ask for Design No. 6548.



First-Floor Plan



Second-Floor Plan

Arrangement of Six-Room Cement Plastered Bungalow, Size 24 by 32 Feet.

### Bungalow Style Stucco Cottage

A story-and-a-half cottage of true bungalow appearance is offered. It is one of the most popular little houses of the year. Three rooms are provided on the first floor and on the second floor three bedrooms, bathroom, and three closets are worked in under the roof and in the large roof gables.

The front porch is large enough to be thoroughly useful. In the summer time it could be easily screened. Entrance is direct into the large living room. The dining room is back of this through a tasteful colonnade opening. The kitchen is just the right size to save steps.

In construction, this bungalow is cement plaster on metal lath. The brick chimney makes an interesting feature. Laid up of dark brown face bricks, it makes a pleasing contrast against the cement plastered walls. The window sash are painted apple green to give a little touch of color to the place.

The bungalow style of this little dwelling is accentuated by the wide projecting open cornices with rafter ends showing, also by the unique porche columns—strongly braced posts.



**Low Cost Gambrel Roof House**

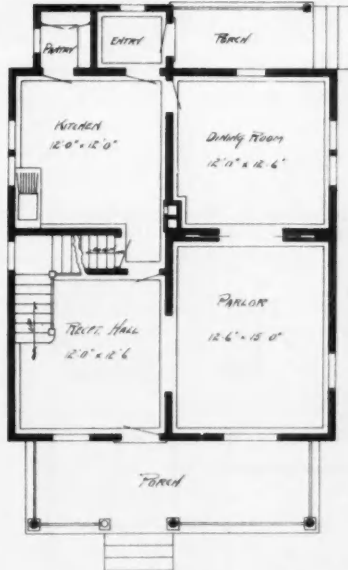
The story-and-a-half gambrel roof dwelling continues popular with economical home builders. Here is a very substantial seven-room frame building that contains a surprising amount of good, usable space.

The gambrel roof permits very nearly full height rooms throughout most of the width on the second floor. The very low parts are made into clothes closets—and very good ones they make, too. Thus no important space is wasted, while the cost is hardly more than for a one-story cottage.

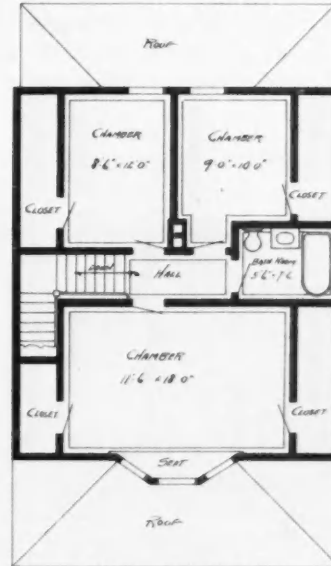
The four rooms on the main floor are large and well connected. The reception hall, parlor and dining room join together by broad doorways, making a very commodious first floor.

A good many housewives like to have a large kitchen. This one has been made extra good size, being 12 by 12 feet. A large pantry and enclosed entry join it at one end.

This house is substantial frame construction, sided with wide boards up to the eaves, with gable ends and roof shingled.



First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan

**Arrangement of Seven-Room Gambrel Roof House, Size 26 by 34 Feet.**

The front porch is large enough for real use and enjoyment in warm weather, yet it is not so wide as to darken the house, nor is it so elaborate as to cost more than one wants to pay.

A good rear porch is also provided.

The porch, kitchen entry and pantry are all under the same roof, a one-story annex. At relatively small expense, the back porch could be screened, making a welcome addition to the working end of this house for the summer season.



A seven-room, gambrel-roof frame house. Size, 26 by 34 feet. A roomy house, considering its cost. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$6.00. Blue-prints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. When ordering ask for Design No. 6553.

**Good House for Narrow Lot**

A well designed six-room cement plastered residence which is only twenty-

two feet in extreme width is offered here. A large living room extends clear across the front and an ell projection

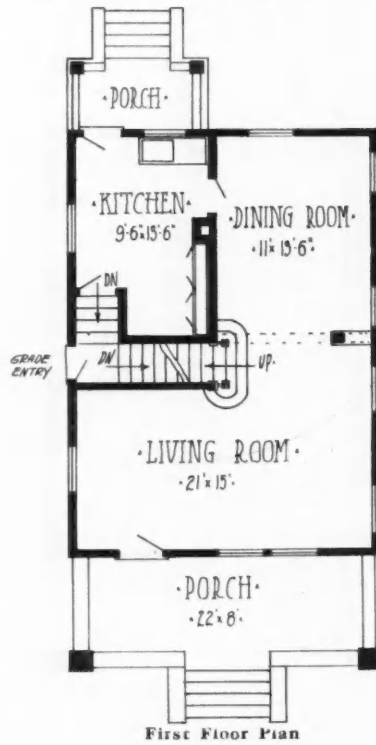
extending back at the right hand forms the dining room. The stairway goes up just where these two rooms join. The first three steps are out in the room and the rest of the way up it is a closed stairway.

The kitchen occupies the third corner; and in place of having a pantry, a large, built-in cupboard is provided. The cellar stairway goes down from the kitchen, past a grade entrance.

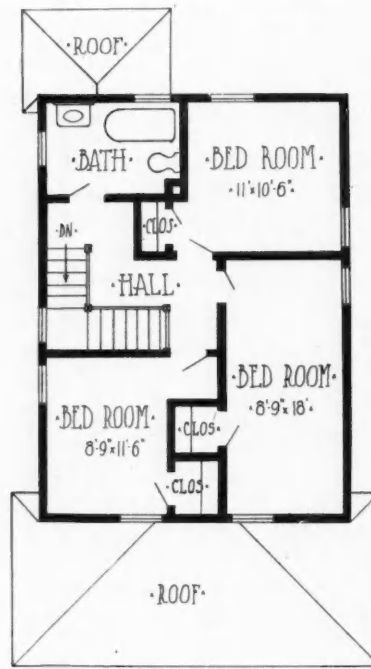
On the second floor are three bedrooms, three clothes closets and the bathroom. This last is directly over the kitchen, which keeps all the plumbing pipes in line and holds down this part of the expense.

This is an up-to-date, modish looking place, finished in rough cast cement plaster and ornamented with exposed panel strips.

Some folks have the idea that a cement plaster house can have only one color—the natural gray of the cement. This is a wrong notion, however. There are special cement surface paints in all colors; and by planning some good contrast between the stucco areas and the wood trim, some very striking and beautiful effects are produced. Yellow and brown, cream and olive green, drab and maroon, etc., work out well.

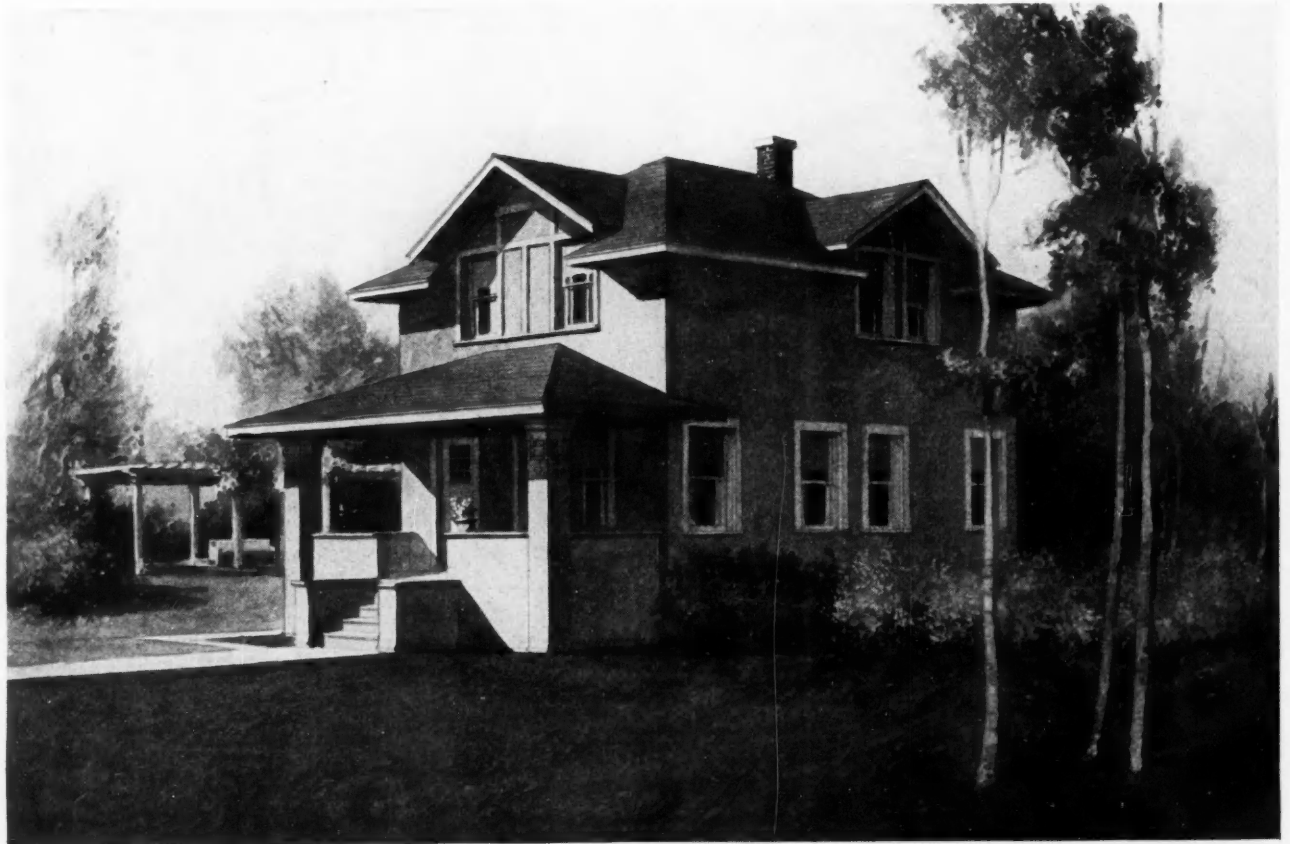


First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan

Arrangement of Six-Room Stucco House, Size 22 by 30 Feet



Six-room, stucco residence for a narrow lot. Size, 22 by 30 feet. Up-to-date design. We can furnish complete set of blue-printed working plans and typewritten specifications for only \$8.00 per set. Blue-prints consist of basement plan; roof plan; first and second floor plans; front, rear, two side elevations; wall sections and all necessary interior details. Specifications consist of twenty-two pages of typewritten matter. When ordering ask for Design No. 6552.

# How to Plan the Kitchen

**T**HE proper arrangement of the kitchen is highly important; give it first consideration. Here much diversity is present, owing perhaps to the different methods pursued by various housewives in carrying on their housework. It is believed, however, that there will be general agreement in the fact that trying to wash dishes and cooking utensils in a sink less than 24 by 30 inches in size is very inconvenient; and according to the writer's ideas the sink should be

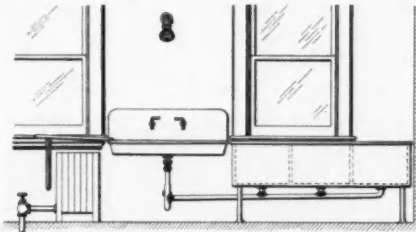


Fig. 1. Elevation of outside kitchen wall, showing recommended position for trays, sink, etc.

big enough to accommodate at least one dish pan. It should, moreover, be provided with a drain board and an integral back.

For an article which is used at least three times a day, and normally much oftener, the kitchen sink has been economized on altogether too much and in some of the newer houses the sinks to the casual observer might well be taken for lavatories, so shrunken in size have they become.

In considering the kitchen sink, the subject of proper light comes up again. Good light is essential to cleanliness in dish washing as well as to every other operation; and therefore an artificial light should be placed as directly over the sink as possible. Owing to the fact that a sink with a high back obstructs a window placed directly back of it, the window or windows should be placed at one or both sides, but as close to the sink as the window will permit. This leaves a blank wall directly back of the sink which is very

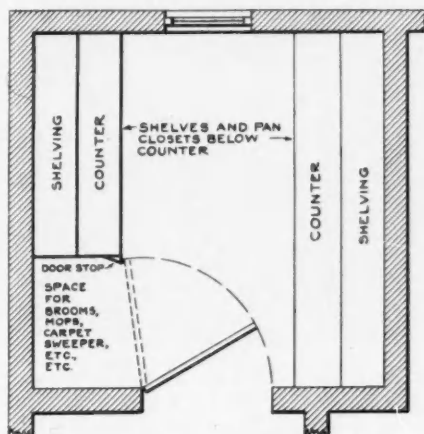


Fig. 2. Floor plan of convenient pantry 8 feet square.

useful for containing the soil and vent pipe of the sink waste, and also for the installation of the sink light before spoken of.

Fig. 1 gives an elevation along one side of a kitchen showing a sink arranged as described with a drainboard, lamp, two windows and a radiator under the drain board to save floor space.

For houses where the wash trays are placed in a separate basement laundry the space here occupied by the wash trays could be utilized for a table. The stove in this case is located so as to get side light from the window and is about in line with the radiator, but back of where this view is taken.

In regard to the wash tray proposition, attention should be directed to the fact that the problem of domestic help is becoming every day more unsolvable and more exasperating, so that family after family is giving up the idea of employing outside help unless possibly on wash days. There is no question that for sanitary reason and kitchen convenience the wash trays should be located in the basement laundry. But in two-family construction this is in-

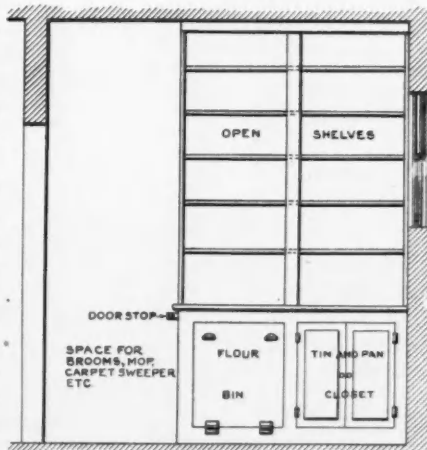


Fig. 3. Elevation view of left wall of pantry.

convenient, in apartments it is manifestly impossible, and in the small, one-family house, consideration should be given to the fact of whether the house is of the type which would be likely to be used by a family employing outside help or not.

It is inconsistent to put up a reasonably priced house for the average small purchaser and to arrange the laundry facilities to suit some other conditions. The average small purchasers will want to do their own washing and not in the cellar. How is a woman to answer the front door bell, receive goods at the side or rear door, look after a baby in the dining or child's room and be doing a washing down cellar at the same time? Nor could she take a child

down on the damp and cold concrete of which the laundry floors are usually constructed. It would seem that the basement laundry, while a good, sanitary and cleanly idea, is not practical in any home unless outside help can be both afforded and procured.

## Handy Pantry Arrangement

**I**NTIMATELY connected with the kitchen and laundry facilities comes the question of pantry room and dish cupboards. House after house you go

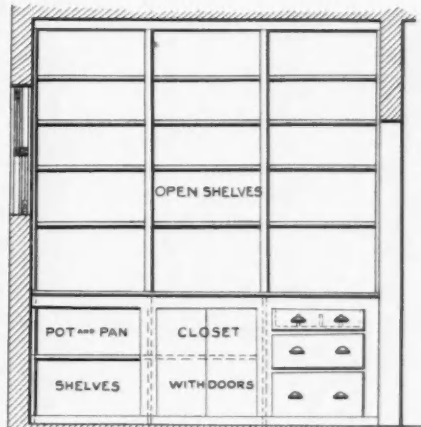


Fig. 4. Elevation view of right wall of pantry.

into has the entire kitchen pantry, china closet, and tin cupboard reduced down to three or four shelves about 12 inches wide and 36 inches long with a little closet below.

A pantry should be large enough to store all the "raw supplies" and "finished products" of the kitchen and should, by all means, be provided with an outside window so that milk and butter can be kept cool by means of the open window in all but the hottest summer weather. The pantry should also be provided with a tight door so as to keep it cool without cooling off the rest of the house. It is for this reason that the pantry located between the dining room and kitchen and through which it is necessary to pass in going from one to the other, is regarded as poor arrangement even though some people do prefer it. Besides this, every trip between the dining room and kitchen is lengthened exactly the width of this pantry and may mean the addition of about half a mile extra walk each day for the housewife.

Figs. 2, 3 and 4 show a plan and elevations of an ideal pantry installed in a house recently erected which has met with universal commendation. This room is about 8 feet square and will doubtless be considered too large by many builders. It isn't though. This pantry after having been in use by a family of four persons for about a year and a half has every shelf utilized and for its full length.—HAROLD L. ALT.



# Decorating the Home



## Satisfaction and Sanitation in Walls

The Modern Method of Decorating Walls and Ceilings Using High Grade Cold Water Tints and Stencil Designs

**P**LANNING for the new decorating is not an easy task. A considerable amount of thought and care must be expended to avoid unsatisfactory combinations of color and designs which become tiresome and which are not strictly appropriate. The decorator who has his customer's best interests at heart will spend a good deal of time beforehand in going over each room in the house which is to be decorated. He will study the relative positions of the rooms, the way in which one room opens upon another; he will study the lighting, size, windows and doorways. If he does not take time to do this there is apt to be disappointment in the finished decorating. This is a tiring piece of work at best and every housewife wants it done right the first time.

During the last ten years people everywhere have begun to realize that plain, soft tints are the most satisfying in every room in the home. Furniture, curtains, pictures, rugs are made more attractive by plain backgrounds of harmonious tints bordered here and there by artistic stencil designs. For years artists and architects have been emphasizing the value of plain tinted walls. Today men and women of good taste are demanding an exchange of the many-colored garlands and striped effects of old-fashioned wall papers for the delightfully clean, cheerful and truly artistic tinted walls.

The photographs are of large water color paintings, which show in their true colors some of the many beautiful effects produced with alabastine tints and stencils. With no other material can the housewife so adequately express her own ideas and tastes in her home surroundings. At the very least expense you may have a dainty French grey bedchamber ornamented by garlands of pink roses to match your cretonne curtains and coverings. Or, you may have a delightful sunshine room done in cheerful yellow. Each room should harmonize with the room next to it so that there will be no clash of color when doors are thrown open.

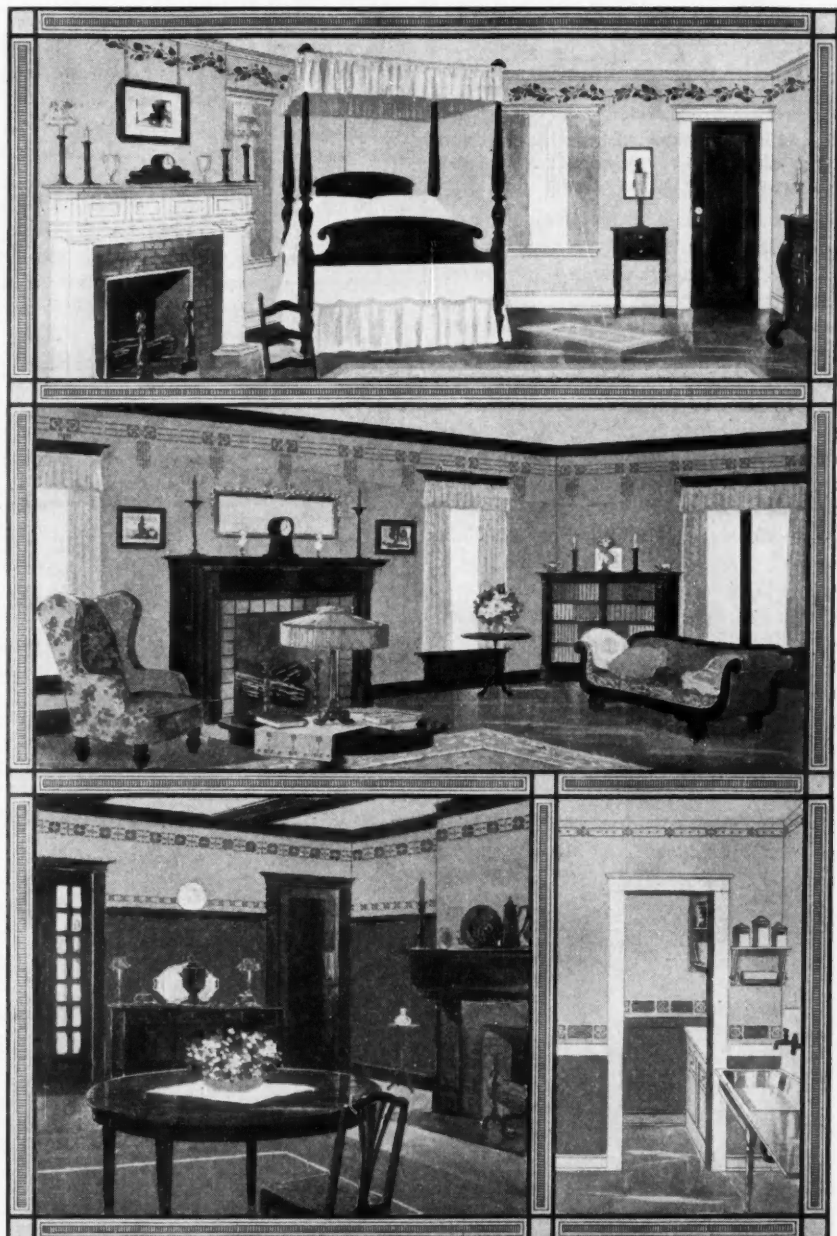
The children's room may be made expressly theirs by using the bright

tones and picturesque stencil patterns that children delight in.

Besides being beautiful, the right color scheme, as everyone knows, has a direct

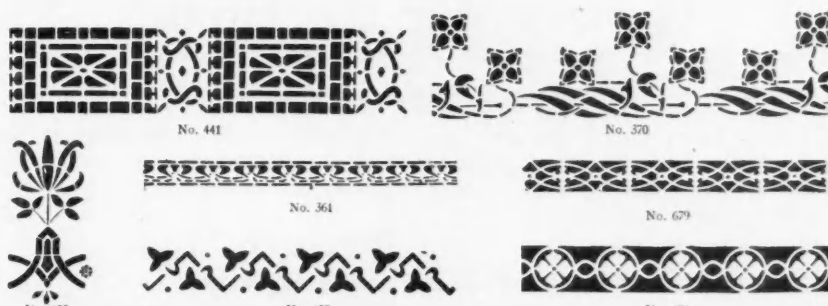
effect upon the temperament of the people in the home. Glaring, crude colors have produced many cases of "nerves." When the decorating is done it must satisfy for a year or more and nothing can be more exasperating or trying to the temper of the housewife than to have to endure day after day some ugly color or harsh design which spoils the effect of other furnishings and appears to her as a constant advertisement of somebody's neglect or uncultivated taste.

In studying the work of the best mural decorators, we find the most pleasing examples of their handiwork are the delicately tinted walls, not covered all over by some flashy floral design or conventionalized garlands and pots of flowers and woodland scenery, but, here and



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 Suggestions for Decorating a Modern Home With Quiet Wall and Ceiling Tints and Contrasting Stenciled Borders. Color Sketch Shows Bedroom Walls Pink With Tan Border, Woodwork White Enamel; Parlor Walls Fawn With Olive Green Border, Woodwork Mahogany; Dining Room Walls Maroon Up to Plate Rail, Flesh Tint Above, Maroon Border, Woodwork Olive Green; Kitchen Walls Light Brown and Very Light Green. Ceilings Throughout Are Tinted Somewhat Lighter Than Side Walls.

there, a panel, a good border, leaving plain, clear spaces for pictures and furniture and restfulness to the eye. Nothing is more confusing than a large figured wall paper pattern as a background for pictures and bric-a-brac. There is such a clash of outline and color the senses receive no satisfaction. Then again, the woman of ideas wishes to express her own individuality, but she wants that expression to please others also. It is most difficult to select a wall paper pattern which, used in a certain room, will appeal to three or four people in the same way. That is why well-dressed men and women invariably choose plain materials for their everyday suits and gowns.



A Few of the Many Attractive Stencil Designs for Borders and Panel Work to be Handled in One or More Colors.

There is another point of view. At the time you purchase your wall paper, a Chinese Chippendale pattern may please you very much. After it is on the

walls you become tired of it and are sorry you did not select something in an Old English paper in Jacobean style. Then a bright French paper of the Louis XIV period, with Marie Antoinette ribbon running through, will take your fancy, but all these too expressive designs become tiresome when you must live with them day after day. Birds and Garlands and English chintz get on your nerves, but the plain, soft toned wall with a good stencil pattern in the right place is always in good taste, is always restful to the eye and soothing to the nerves.

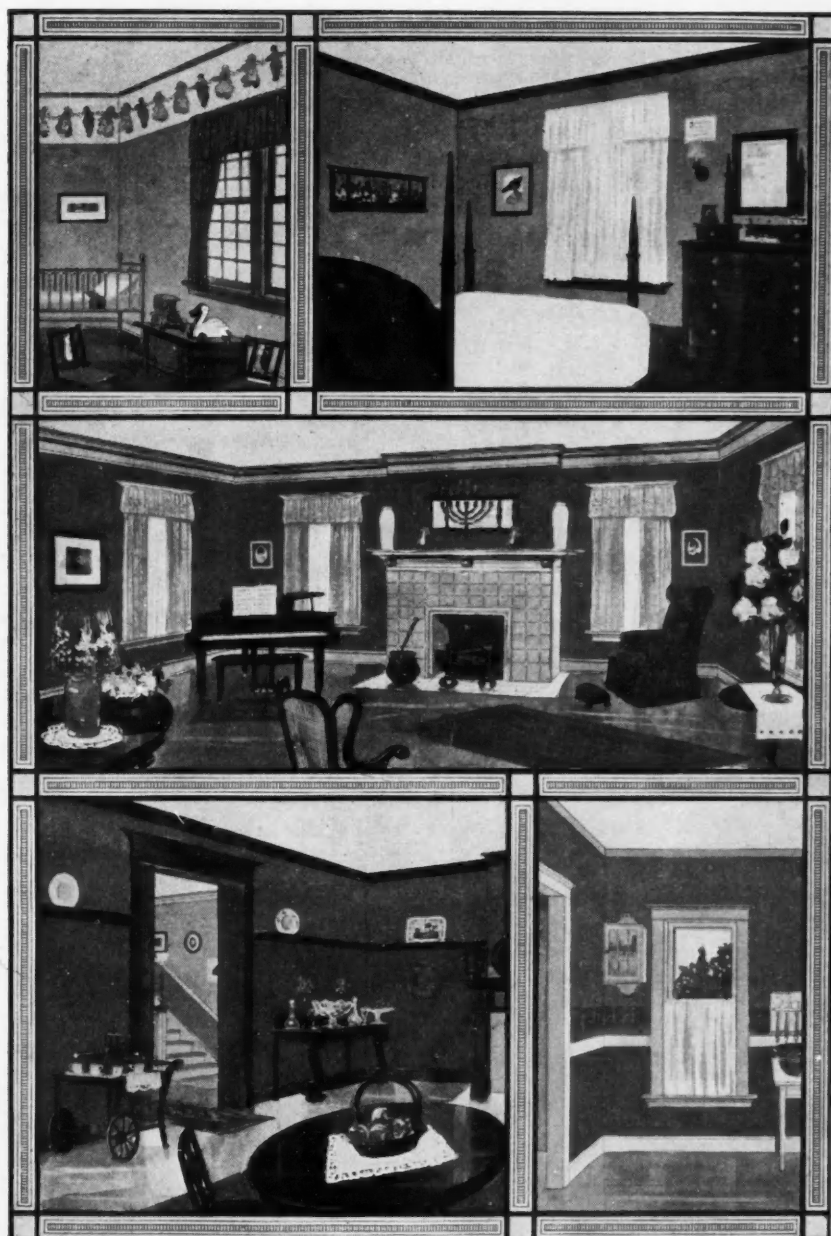
Wall paper, as everyone knows, collects germs, breeds disease and spreads contagion. Wall paper has been barred from schools and hospitals, and special laws have been passed in cities like New York regulating the use of wall paper in residences. In hospitals this unsanitary covering has been utterly condemned. Wall paper is put on the walls with animal glue or paste and this, your physician will tell you, is an excellent breeding ground for germs.

The cold water tints, however, prepared from native alabaster mixed with the finest of German pigments to obtain the tints, are absolutely sanitary.

The home decorated with them is a clean, sweet and wholesome place in which to live.

There are many kinds of kalsomine on the market today under many different names. The housewife and the builder must bear in mind that the best cold water paints are not kalsomine, and cannot be compared with it in any way. The difference is apparent to every one who glances at the two wall surfaces. One is ordinary with an unfinished look. But the other wall makes you think that one of the old mural decorators must have stepped in and covered your walls with the secretly made tints from his celebrated palette. Indeed, at least one of these is so fine a material to work with, that beautiful pictures have been painted with it by professional artists.

Kalsomine of whatever grade or name is bound to chip, peel and rub off soon after the decorating is done. No amount of glue can prevent this. A wall once properly decorated, however, need not be washed to receive the new tinting.



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Greatest Possible Choice of Colors is Offered the Decorators Using Cold Water Tints. This Sketch in Its Full Colors, Shows the Nursery Walls Tinted a Soft Blue with Stencil Frieze of Dutch Children in Yellow and Blue; Bedroom Walls in Orange Yellow; Ceiling, Cream; Woodwork, Dark Green. The Living Room Walls are Olive Green; Ceiling, Gray. Dining Room Wainscoting, Dark Green; Upper Walls, Orange Tan; Ceiling, Flesh Tint; Woodwork, Weathered Oak. Kitchen, Tan and Yellow, the Dado to be Finished with Washable Tint



## Curtains for the Home

Some Timely and Authoritative Suggestions

By Mary H. Northend

**T**OO much attention can not be paid to the use of curtains in the home. We are inclined to try one treatment for all the different types of windows. This is entirely wrong. Different methods should be thought out for different designs of window treatment—which range from the quaint Dutch window in the dining room, to the cozy English in the living room, and from that to the French casement in the parlor.

Stencil work is not used as much as formerly; still appropriate designs and a good color arrangement can always be satisfactorily used. If you have never tried the effect of unbleached cotton muslin, by all means do so. It hangs well, has rich ivory tones that combine with almost every color. This can be colored to match trim, giving a pleasing contrast to the hanging.

Linen scrim can be bought in pure white or self-colored and is always effective.

Where the windows are grouped in an alcove recess, it takes little to do away with the bare looks and soften harsh outlines. Such hangings would rightly come under the head of portieres, and here it is best to use heavier goods that hang in soft folds. For the purpose cotton rajah, listed at 30 cents comes in lovely dull shades of old rose, silver gray, old blue, as well as other shades.

The straight curtain is effective for

plain windows, but a variation that is most attractive can be carried out by catching it back a third of the way

much cannot be said concerning the use of this latter material. It is very inexpensive, can be bought by the piece and has lasting qualities that few hanging curtains have.

In addition to the straight curtains it is very effective to have a hanging draped in folds at the top. It takes off



A Cozy Built-in Window Seat Flanked by Open Book Shelves. The Seat is Upholstered with Loose Cushion and the Curtains are Flowered Scrim

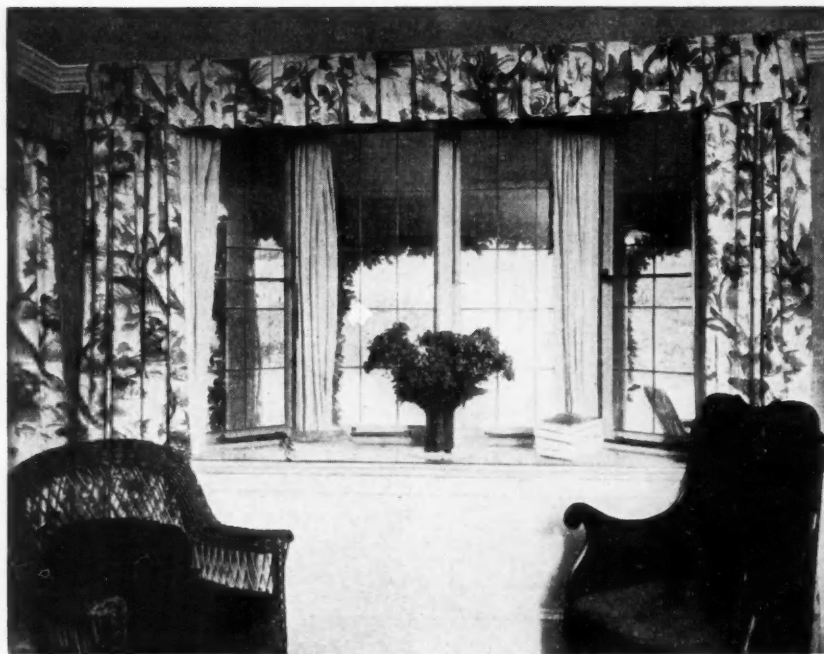
from the top. When this is done, there should be straight under-curtains of white or unbleached cotton cloth. Too

the plain, bare look and gives a finished appearance to any room. Sash curtains and Dutch curtains are advisable in rooms that are not well lighted, and an advantage of these other than mere hang, is that they can be pulled back either at bottom or top, and not all thrown back at once. Again we find a figured chintz good—particularly where it is striped. This is more effective against the plain wall, relieving the monotony of a solid surface. It is not expensive; it can be bought all the way from 12¼ cents upward, and is easily laundered.

For the bay window, chintz is good with under-curtains of plain. Curtains made in this way can have a box plaiting at the top, the outer curtains being arranged on a brass rod so they can be either drawn back or closed, according to the lighting of the room.

Nothing is so effective as a simple muslin curtain which can be purchased for 12½ cents a yard. It is daintier with ruffles and caught back with a piece of the same, showing the same motive.

Relieved by a chintz curtain of bright tones, it is an effective dressing for a simple window.



Bay Consisting of Four Casement Windows Curtained as a Whole with Brightly Figured Chintz. Inner Draw Curtains of Silk Complete the Drapery





**Pair of Dining Room Windows Richly Treated**

Sometimes the motive is varied; over the under-curtains of muslin or scrim a single curtain of thick texture is so arranged as to hang at one side, giving an odd but pleasing effect.

Denim is always suitable for this purpose, as are the standard chambres listed at 15 cents. These latter are found in pairs which are generally blue and old blue. It is a thoroughly reliable material and is especially well fitted for decoration in Greek fashion.

Individual windows can be draped with cotton crepe; it is soft, clean and transparent, costing about 15 cents a yard. It comes in plain solid colors, washes finely, but must not be ironed else it loses its crepe effect. One must not forget the silk pongee, coming from 39 cents to a \$1.50 a yard. Its irregular weave is its charm. As is the case with the cotton rajah and the Russian crash, found in a lovely silvery blue.

In hunting for curtains or draperies like this, it is not always advisable to go to the upholstery department. You are often forced to pay more if you do. Hunt over the dress counters and find lovely pieces of sprigged muslin that can be bought as low as 12½ cents a yard and cut out of heavy, stuffy velours which are dust catchers and hard to keep clean.

It takes a great deal of care and thought to get things that are reasonable and appropriate, but it does not pay to pick up the first thing you find. Curtains do so much toward furnishing the room that it seems out of place to have them in bad contrast. Take a light, summer room, that was furnished with



**Group of Five Windows, Each Hung with Light Curtains with An Over-Curtain of Heavy Figured Stuff Between Each Window and the Next**

willow, put in it dark, heavy curtains and watch the result. It is an inharmonious tone with a wrong note that jars. Change that over, and put in its place a soft, light, clinging fabric and note the change at once; the room is lighted, brightened and made effective.

The artistic curtain is a subject to which too much thought cannot be given; one realizes that it makes or mars a room.



**A Delightful Corner Bay Curtained with Growing Foliage and Plants. These Windows Looking Toward the South or East Brighten up the Entire House and Those Dwelling Therein**



## Staining Interior Woodwork\*

The Popular Method of Finishing the Several Commonly Used Woods to Bring Out the Full Beauty of the Grain

**T**HE beauty of wood is marred or enhanced by its treatment. What is more universally admired than properly finished wood, whether in furniture, woodwork, or floors? With such wonderful variety of grain, almost magically treated with modern stains and finishes, its natural beauty stands revealed. Each kind of its peculiar characteristics requires special treatment; in order to bring out this true beauty, not only the kind of finish, but also the color, must receive careful consideration by the painter.

So much depends upon the woodwork treatment in successful home decorating. Some woods are best adapted to stained effects, some especially suited to white enameling, while the greatest degree of beauty is brought out in others by the natural varnished finish. Only the expert finisher can have a full knowledge of wood and its proper treatment; nevertheless, every home builder can, and should be familiar with the kind of finish adaptable to the most widely used woods.

### Oak

Because of its great durability and handsome grain, oak is perhaps the most popular wood for all kinds of interior trim. This wood is susceptible of a great variety of handsome effects by staining. It is found on all of the Continents of the Northern Hemisphere as well as at high altitudes just south of the equator.

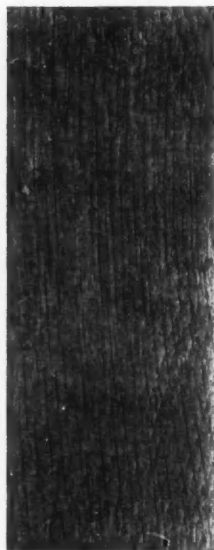


Plate I—Oak

Oak wood lends itself admirably to many styles of finishing. It is open

grained, and when a varnished and rubbed or polished finish is desired, the pores of the wood must be filled and followed with various coats of varnish. When a mission or wax finish is desired, the filler is unnecessary. The natural finish, in which transparent filler and no stain are used, and the golden oak finish have been in use for a long period and are now rather commonplace.

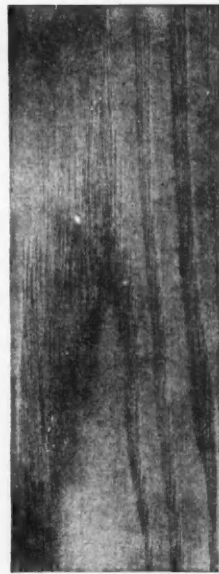


Plate II—Chestnut

The most popular shades in the stained oak are the fumed oak (a rich brown, light in tone), old English oak (a medium tone of rich brown, cathedral oak (a dark, reddish brown), early English oak (weathered brown in medium tones), the silver gray (light silvery effect); these effects are all easily procurable, and any or all of them can be treated in the rubbed, polished, mission, or waxed finish.

Oak, on account of its open grain, can be treated in handcraft system effects, which consist of a stain, a first coater, and a color toner. The rich colors of this stain blend perfectly with the toner, which fills up the wood pores and forms an unusual effect. Oak wood has many peculiar qualities which demand stains of exact character and quality. It contains gallic acid, which attacks stains of unsuitable nature.

### Chestnut

Chestnut is an open-grained wood, the

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pores of which require filling for varnish and rubbed effects. Plate II illustrates its rather coarse, although attractive, grain. Being less expensive, it frequently displaces oak for interior woodwork. It is found in the temperate regions of Europe, Northern Africa, Eastern North America. The Northern American wood is better and, although easily worked, is extremely durable. The Western species of chestnut is called the California chinkapin. It is a light, soft, reddish wood, and is sometimes called evergreen chestnut.

Chestnut can be treated practically the same as oak, although it is more frequently stained and finished natural. Silver gray (a silvery gray with bluish cast) or brown oak are particularly suitable for use on this wood. The rubbed, mission, waxed, and natural finishes can be obtained on chestnut, and the specifications are similar to those for oak.

### Mahogany

Mahogany is one of our most beautiful and valuable woods for furniture and interior finish. Its decorative value is due to a combination of beauty, working qualities, and durability. Its beauty is influenced by its wonderful grain, particularly noticeable in "crotch mahogany," and also by its rich brown color. These qualities are greatly increased by proper staining.

Mahogany is an open-grained wood, and therefore, re-



Plate III—Straight Mahogany



quires filling with mahogany paste filler. It is susceptible to the highest polish and is also very attractive when given a dull finish by rubbing the last varnish coat with pumicestone and water. The grain of crotch mahogany is caused by the crotches or junctures between branch and trunk, and on account of

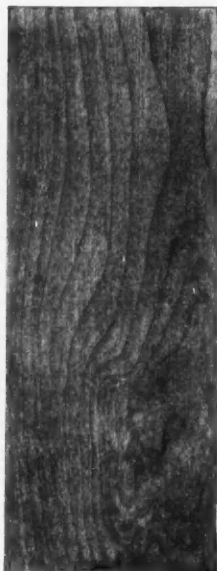


Plate V—Birch

its great value, is used largely as a veneer. Mahogany is a native tree of the West Indies and Central America, much of our supply coming from Mexico. The African field is the latest, and large quantities are now being distributed through English markets. This wood is occasionally treated in a natural finish. It darkens slightly with age, and this tendency should be taken into consideration when staining. A variety of shades in mahogany stain are demanded, and therefore, mahogany stains are provided in light, medium and dark.

**Birch**

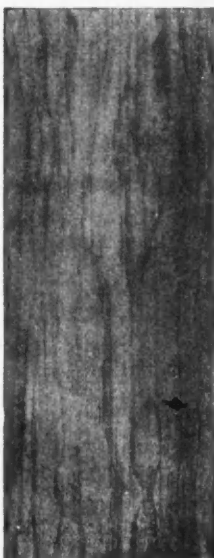


Plate IV—White Pine

This is a most popular wood for furniture and interior finish. It is heavy and strong. Its color is a very light reddish-brown, and it has a fine, compact grain, which is extremely beautiful. It is commonly stained walnut, cherry, or mahogany, to all of which stain lends itself admirably. Silver gray is a very attractive finish for birch. It can also be finished natural. As a foundation for white enamel effect, it is unsurpassed. Its light color and delicate grain make it suitable for this purpose. Birch is less expensive than oak, but superior in many ways.

The illustration (Plate V) is too small to show the darker spots, which

are even more pronounced when the wood is stained mahogany. These variations of the grain are extremely attractive. Birch is a close-grained wood and does not require filling.

**Southern Pine**

The principal difference between this wood and white pine is in the grain, which is more strongly marked in Southern pine. This wood is heavy, hard, strong and durable, becoming harder with age. It is close grained and does not require filling.

When stained, the beauty of this grain is greatly enhanced, and it now frequently displaces oak for interior trim. All brown stains are particularly attractive on Southern pine. The silvery grays are quite effective, although the yellow tones in this wood largely overcome the blue in a silver-gray stain. These stained effects are still more attractive when treated in mission or dull finish.

Southern pine is often finished in white enamel, although it is not the best wood for the purpose. Birch, whitewood, or poplar are much less liable to show yellow streaks. Southern pine, however, can be treated in white enamel when a sufficient number of the proper under-coatings are used. When this wood is full of pitch a first coat of shellac can be applied to good advantage.

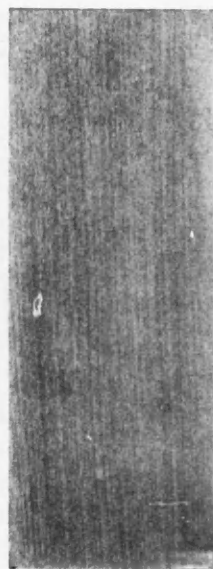


Plate VI—Whitewood

power to hold glue, make its use very extensive. It is commonly finished natural, but will take any stain very satisfactorily. White pine is frequently used under white enamel, and is even more satisfactory for this purpose than yellow pine.

**Whitewood—Poplar—Cottonwood**

These trees are not related, but all have similar qualities and uses. They are frequently used for interior wood-

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**Beauty in Cobblestone Fireplaces**

**A Fireplace Expert Tells How to Build with Success Using Unsplit Cobbles**  
**By James Whittington**

Rochester, N. Y.

THESE photographs of fire-places are some of a number that I have built in the neighborhood of Star Lake, St. Lawrence Co., this State, while not overly novel, they may be interesting to home builders.

Probably to a few people the fresh colors of split stone appear more beautiful; but the natural cobbles appeal to me and I think that the colors that have been painted by frost and storm and forest fire will be interesting when the



**Unique Stone Fireplace in the Summer Home of James Whittington, Star Lake, New York. Large, Undressed Stones Form the Arch and Smaller Stones the Chimney. Mantel Shelves are Concrete Slabs**

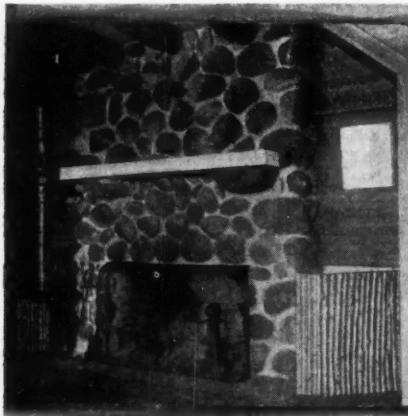




**Rough Cobblestone Fireplace Built with Self-Supporting Stone Arch, in Summer Cottage of Minford Backus, at Star Lake, N. Y.**

lar to tapestry brick and being rather porous they lay up almost like brick. In past I have built several chimneys of them four inches thick and to a height of ten feet above roof and without any lining except the plastering—Of course using the best cement mortar and plenty of wire reinforcement, with flue lining or brick on edge the building is made much easier.

Have built outside cobblestone chimneys, going up four feet per day without any trouble or collapse but would not advise the ordinary mason to do so. Cobblestone work, like concrete, if carried up too quickly is liable to collapse and collapse suddenly and entirely; while if given time to set stones may fall out or be knocked out without endangering the structure. The shelves on these fireplaces are of reinforced concrete.



**The Broad Chimney, Full Width of Fireplace, is a Feature of This One.**



**Neatly Finished Cobblestone Fireplace and Chimney. Each Stone Abounds With Color**

split stone has lost its novelty.

The pictures can not show the beauty of the stones either as to color or texture. They have a texture almost simi-



**This Fireplace is Given Individuality by the Polished Oak Mantel Shelf, Supported by Two Huge, Rough-Stone Brackets.**

### Staining Interior Trim

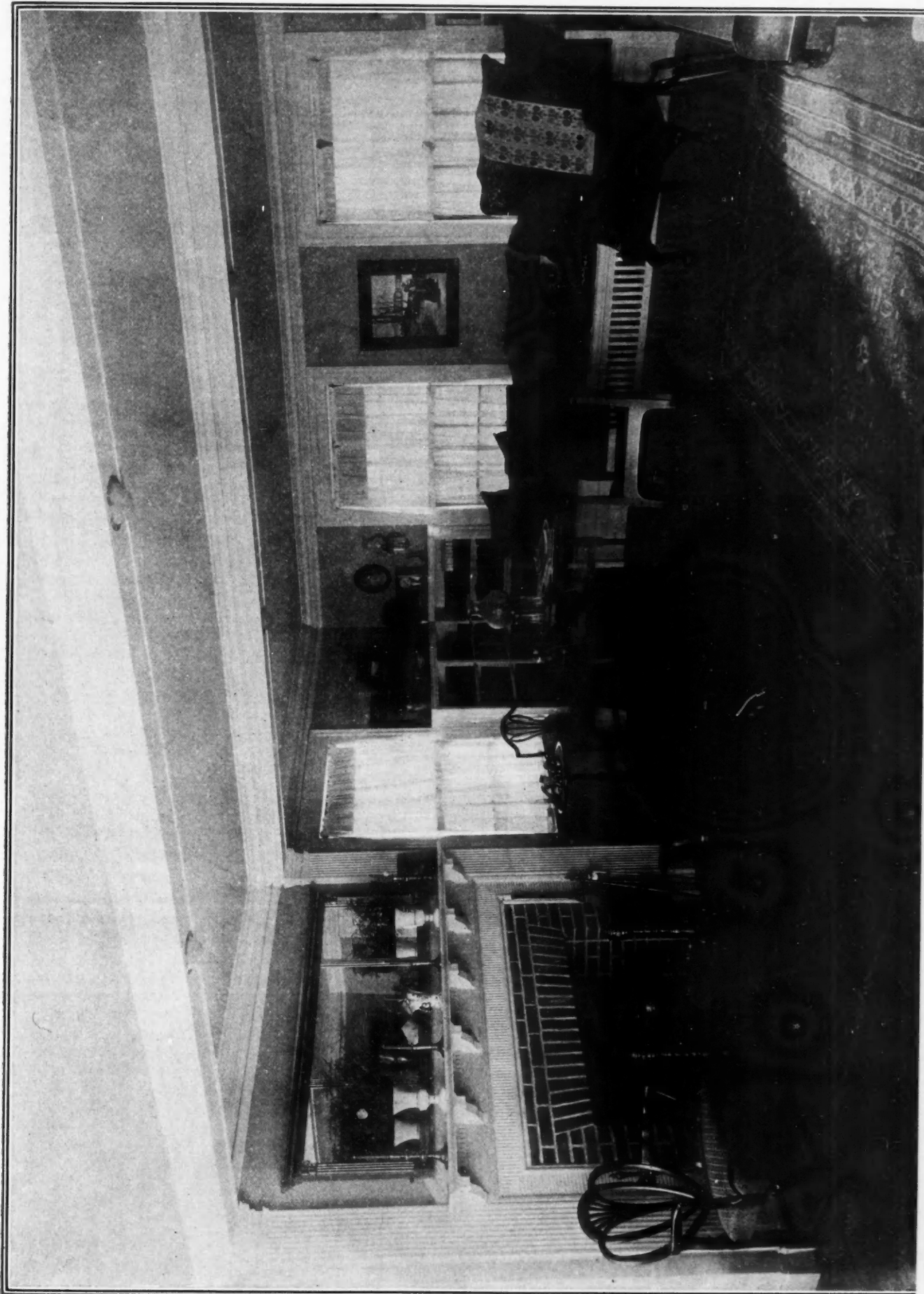
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work, woodenware, and paper pulp. The fact that these woods are all rather light in color and have no pronounced grain, makes them especially suitable for white enamel woodwork. They have less tendency to yellow streaking than yellow pine, although good under-coatings are essential. At the same time these woods can be finished natural satisfactorily. By staining whitewood mahogany, a fair representation is obtained because of the absence of strong grain.

### Too Rural

Art Dealer—"This is a beautiful scene from Hamlet."

Mrs. Newrich—"I don't care for hamlets. Show me a good-sized city."—*Judge.*



Large, Comfortable Living Room Finished in White Enamel. Notice the Broad Upholstered Seat at the End of the Room. A Radiator is Underneath. Heat Passes Out Through the Grille Work. Open Book Shelves are Built Into Each Corner of the Room at the Ends of the Seat. Mantel and Ceiling Beams are in the Best Colonial Style. The Shallow Electric Light Globes under the Ceiling Beams Make a Unique Lighting Arrangement.



# IDEAS FOR HOME BUILDERS

## A Garden Bungalow

By C. Bryant Schaefer

A FEW decades ago the country home only had a small parlor for visiting. Now the entire house has to present a welcome.

The old-fashioned parlor was a dainty place kept by the women, while the men received their callers on the front fence. Masculine life clung to the open. Only on rare occasions were they coaxed into the little shut-in parlors. Many a farmer would have lived longer had he slept in the barn, also, instead of the stuffy, corked-up bedrooms.

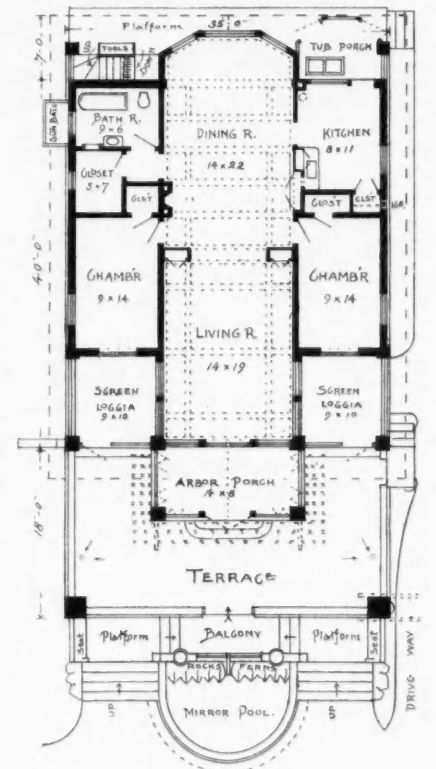
However, no one has thought of planning to enjoy the pleasant side of outdoor work. It deserves as much attention as the ladies' fancy-work department, if not more, for some of the most attractive old-fashioned gardens were often from the love and skill of feminine care.

We have had types of houses planned for the parlor maid, or the cook, the floor scrub, the plumber or the steel-square carpenter, and, yes, the gingerbread mill man. So this design is for the gardener.

Today people are seeking natural beauties and the forces of nature that build up life. These they should never have lost; but the water is not missed until the well runs dry, sometimes. So now there is haste to secure pure water, fresh air, sunshine and activity, the most wholesome tonic of all; the best heater, appetizer and germ corrector of all. It will enforce an entirely new and simpler system of planning and remodeling of the old style of closed dwellings.

Airy porches and sunny bays have been introduced from time to time and balconies also, but often inconvenient of location. The one-story cottage, therefore, came as an acceptable solution.

The bungalow herewith is designed to take advantage of the open air surroundings. The terrace steps may become a reception room, the front yard a parlor and the porch one of the rooms of the interior. The bedrooms may be thrown open to loggias that secure practically open air sleeping when desirable. All the attractive features of the garden are in line with the daily duties, nothing



Floor Plan of Bungalow



The Author's Conception of How the Garden Bungalow Will Look When Completed and Surrounded with Flowers and Shrubs



set apart in the stiff, old-fashioned way. Every room has its outdoor connection and usefulness. The size of the living and dining rooms is sure to secure free space unobstructed by furniture.

All the conveniences of sideboards, closets, book cases and mantel are at hand. The stairs are on the back porch, which is open to the roof.

A kitchen annex is inclosed with glass and screen doors. The tub plumbing has to have a shut-off in the kitchen for cold weather. The kitchen sink and dining room sideboard are adjoining, which saves many bothersome steps. The bath is convenient to the linen closet. Placing the living rooms in the middle of the house, makes them warm in winter and cool in hot weather.

It will be noticed that the arrangement indulges some of the desires that are frequent pleasantries among domestic people. Think of actually flushing the front room with the garden hose on house-cleaning day! Of putting your feet out the chamber window in the morning and enjoying the air. There is no front gate to break down, but a pleasant settee to linger on. What better recreation than that of mulching the shrubbery with a shower bath on the balcony thereafter. It is a wholesome game that friends should be invited to share.

What picture equals that seen from the front porch—the reflection of the trees beyond or the moon amid the ferns down below the entrance way?

Or passing by, one sees a glimpse of cottage in the pool margined with grasses and flowers. Who would not feel drawn to the simple and natural steps on either side for further explorations?

Up the back stairs is a cot-loft for a retreat, a den from which steps near at hand lead to an observatory in the front roof. Here there are posts for an awning. Even the vines climb up here on trellises provided from the pergola-like porch—a veritable vine-clad cot, rivaling the description of prose or poetry.

A simple cot around which to cultivate natural beauties is acceptable to more persons than those who have a taste for gardening. In the changing seasons of the North there may be more to cultivate in this respect than yet discovered and results may come to rival the admired beauties of the constant sunny South.

Concrete construction makes this prospect possible, because it is unaffected by changes of temperature, by the wet ground or dry atmosphere.

### Six-Room Bungalow

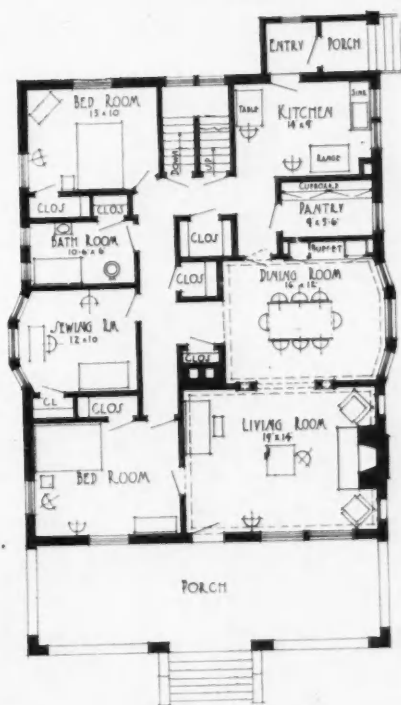
FRED Tucker, contractor and builder, of Minonk, Ill., is responsible for this cozy little brick veneer bungalow. The outside walls are made up of dark colonial brick in black mortar. The brick cost \$15.00 per thousand. Trimings are of stone and the roof is slate.

room. At the same time no important space is given up to this hall.

It is usually quite a problem to lay out a bungalow with all rooms on one floor so that there is sufficient privacy. As the saying is, one part of the house seems to be right on top of another. This complaint could never be made of this bungalow.



Six-Room Brick Bungalow Built at Minonk, Ill., complete in every way for \$5,300.



Interior Arrangement of Minonk Bungalow

It is a typical bungalow cottage. There are six nicely arranged rooms on the main floor: a large living room with connecting dining room, kitchen and pantry nicely arranged, three well placed bed rooms and a good sized bath room.

The arrangement of the rooms in this bungalow is worthy of close study. Every part is easily accessible from every other part. The interior hall allows one to pass freely from any of the bedrooms to the kitchen without having to pass through the living room or dining

The interior is finished in oak, birch, and yellow pine. The living room and dining room are in oak; the pantry and bathroom, birch; and the rest yellow pine. All doors are one panel. There are oak floors throughout.

The second floor of this bungalow gives a fine, large, well lighted storage space; and, in fact, two or three nice rooms could easily be finished off on the second floor. As the stairway opens from the hall, these rooms would be accessible.

Contractor Tucker states that he built this brick bungalow complete for \$5,300, including a Holland furnace placed in cemented and waterproofed basement. This contract also included the plumbing, but not the lighting fixtures.

### Large English Style Residence

ONE of the most attractive and well equipped modern homes of the year is the English style stucco residence of Banker D. B. Forshay, at Anita, Iowa. The plans were drawn by Lloyd D. Willis, architect, of Omaha, Neb., and it was built by Goodpasture & Sons, of Anita.

It is claimed that nothing could be added to make this house more convenient. The arrangement of the rooms on both floors is first class. The sleeping porch, with its wide overhanging eaves, is one of the most attractive things about the house. The bathroom has a Mosaic tile floor and base. The plastered walls are sand finished and tinted with oil colors, except the service portion, which is

white coated; and owner's room and guest's chamber, which are papered.

The woodwork on the second floor is birch, all white enameled excepting the doors and the window stools, which are finished in dark mahogany. The hall, living room and dining room are finished in plain sawed red oak, stained weathered. The kitchen and pantry are birch, natural. All floors except kitchen, pantry and maid's (which is maple) are plain red oak.

The attic is plastered, cased and the

walls tinted in water colors. The laundry and furnace room are ceiled overhead and the wall plastered.

The house is heated by hot water. Vacuum cleaner pipes are placed in the walls, so the cleaner may be attached on all floors and take the dust to the basement; the system is operated by a motor. The house is wired throughout, including the closets, attic and coal rooms, and three-way switches operate the lights in the garage. All outside wires, including telephone,

are run in underground conduits.

The exterior of this house is stucco, finished in a rough cast. The brick are a real dark red gas burned brick, and are quite rough, but of good, even color, and are laid with white cement mortar with a half-inch cut joint. The stone coping and door sills are blue Bedford. The painting is a very dark chocolate brown. The porch floor is reinforced concrete, and the doors thereto swing outward. The front entrance terrace is cement colored



Basement Plan



First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan



Large English Style Residence, Built for D. B. Forshay of Anita, Iowa, by the Local Building Firm of Goodpasture & Sons Plans Drawn by Architect L. D. Willis of Omaha

dark red and marked off in 12-inch squares. The exterior stucco is asbestos and white cement.

This place will make a much nicer picture a year from now, as it is to be surrounded by a formal garden, with a great many kinds of trees and shrubs. Stepping stones lead from the rear to a pool in the center of

toilet room with clothes chute completes the first floor.

The second floor is divided into three bed chambers, with full-height ceilings, sleeping porch, bath, and three extra large closets.

The exterior is a true bungalow with wide, low cornice, heavy brackets, and that "all width, no height" effect so

**"So Live Your Own Life"**

Prospective tenant (viewing house)—  
"I think, after all, a flat would suit us better."

Caretaker—"Well, sir, fer meself, I feel a flat so much like a prison; but then, of course, it all depends on what you're accustomed to."—*Sketch.*



**Eight-Room Brick and Stucco Bungalow Style Dwelling, Designed and Built by Chas. M. Gates, Architect, Denver, Colo., Cost \$3,500**

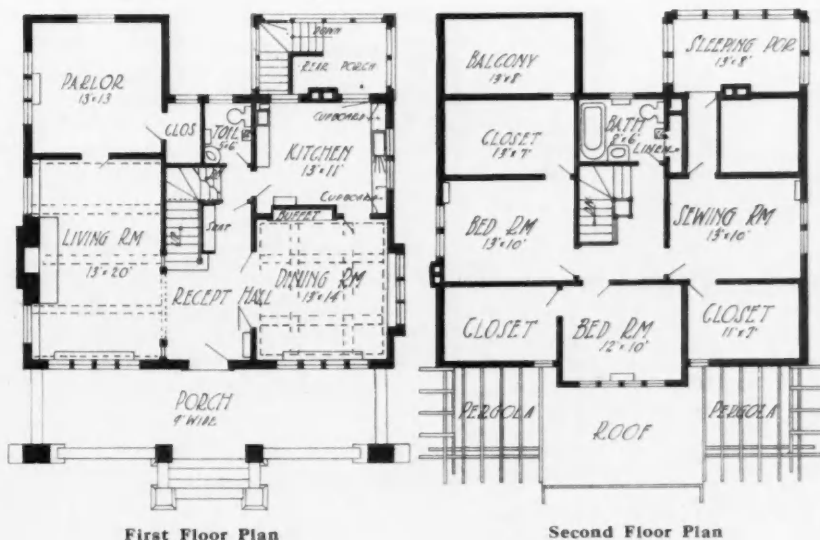
the garden. Cinder drives lead to the garage, and along the north of the house. A sundial is on the lawn at the south of the house.

The fireplace is built of the same brick as the exterior, except with a deep raked joint. The vestibule floor is of red tile.

**A Center Hall Bungalow**

**T**HIS modern bungalow has been designed and built by Chas. M. Gates, architect, of Denver. This is the same Mr. Gates, it will be remembered, who won the first prize in Class A competition of last March. The basement is fully modern, having a press-brick lined billiard room and den combined, as well as laundry, furnace and coal rooms.

The first floor has large living room with built-in bookcases and beam ceiling. The dining room has beam ceilings and buffet and window seat built in to match the living room book cases. The room back of the living room can be used for a back parlor or a ground-floor bedroom, as desired. The kitchen has all the built-in conveniences, including a broom closet. A ground-floor



desired in bungalow construction. The stucco gables add materially to its appearance.

Price, complete, is said to have been \$3,500. A dwelling of this style and completeness of equipment could very easily run much more.

**It Does Feel Like That**

"Here's something queer," said the dentist. "You say this tooth has never been worked on before, but I find small flakes of gold on my instrument."

"I think you have struck my back collar button," replied the victim.



## An Inexpensive Small Farmhouse

U. S. Department of Agriculture Suggests Plans for Tenant or Owner—A very Livable Farm Home for \$1,000

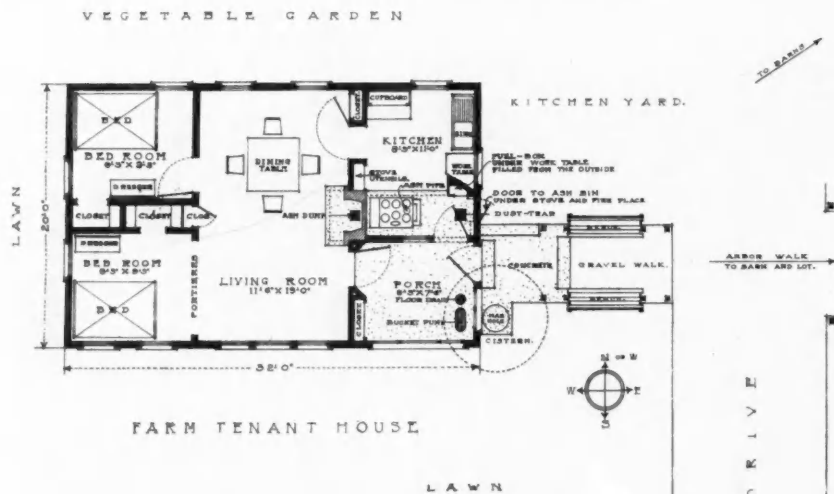
**T**HE Department of Agriculture has made public the first of a series of plans for farmhouses to be prepared by its specialists with a view to enabling farmers to construct inexpensive and better homes. The

structures reasonable in cost and of good material, and so arranged as to give the maximum in health, comfort, and happiness to the family, and added convenience to the housewife in her domestic operations.

believed is of increasing importance to farm management because of the increasing number of rented farms, the growing demand of tenants for modern houses, and a better understanding of the influences of the home upon farm labor and field efficiency. The census report of 1910 shows an increase during the previous ten years of more than 324,000 rented farms. Many of the new tenants moved into good houses vacated by the owners, but many others are living in buildings wholly unsuited to their needs. The cost of these houses commonly is inconsistent with the value of the farms, and the lack of improvements in them too often is in striking contrast with the outbuildings, farming machinery, and field equipment.

The tenant house, perspective drawing and plans of which are shown, is a simple, four-cornered structure, without bay windows, gables and dormers, or any projection save the cornice, which overhangs and protects the walls and window openings. The house is planned for the smallest dimensions and the most inexpensive arrangement consistent with the needs and the convenience of a small family. It has but one chimney and but one outside entrance.

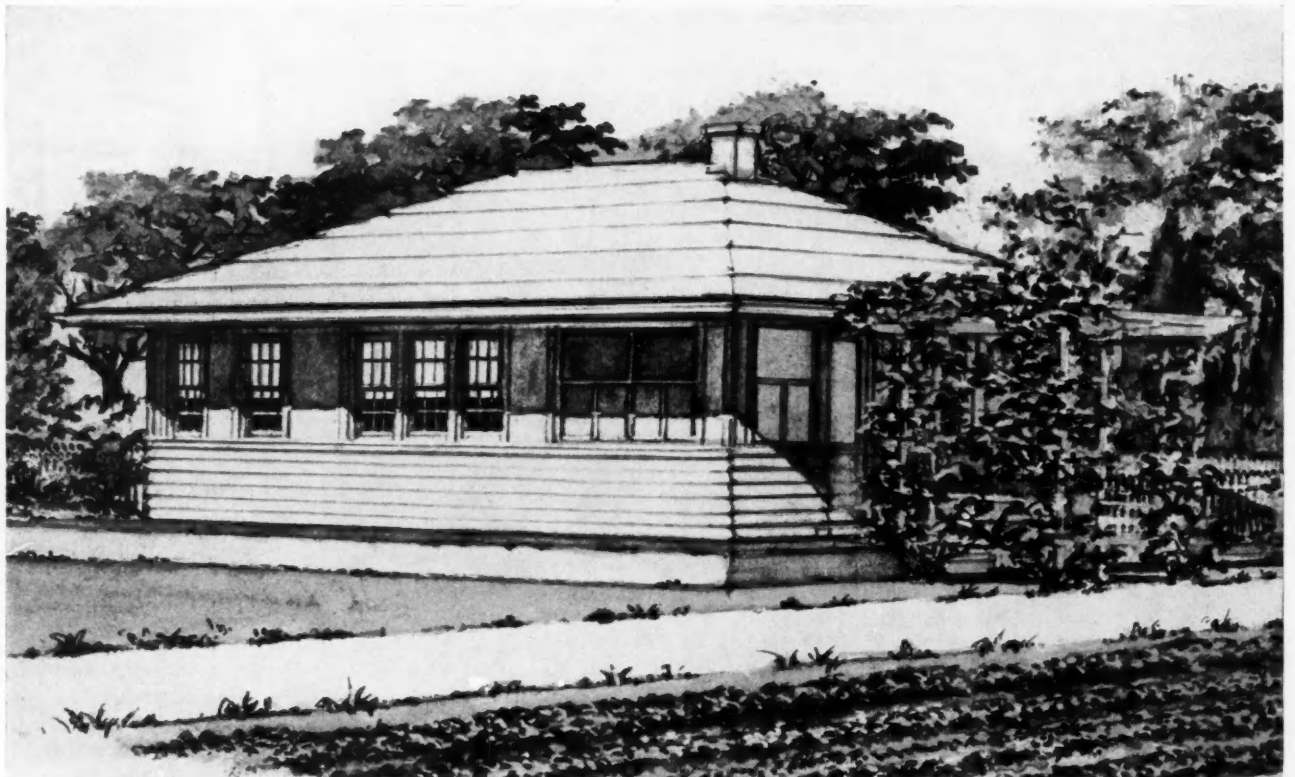
One entrance would be insufficient in a town house, and it may be in this one;



Arrangement of Small Farm House and Surroundings

basis of the inquiry is the belief that the farmhouse is the most important building on the farm, and money judiciously expended in its planning and construction is well invested. The objects sought in the plans are to provide

These plans are for the construction of an inexpensive farm tenant house, although the house as planned contains many valuable suggestions for owners with small families. The provision of proper tenant houses on farms it is



The U. S. Department of Agriculture Offers This as the Biggest Value \$1,000 Will Buy in a Five-Room Farm Home

but another door can be gotten into the plan only by a sacrifice of wall and floor space, which can not be spared, or by increasing the size and cost of the house, which in connection with this problem cannot be done. If a door is substituted for one of the three windows in the south end of the living room, the best part of the room will be ruined. Moving the entrance door to the south side of the porch would not only restrict the uses of the porch, but necessitate an outside door in the kitchen which, in turn, would necessitate a corresponding increase in the floor and wall space of the kitchen. If the door that opens from living room to porch, were moved farther from the fireplace, valuable floor and wall space in both room and porch would be sacrificed.

These little details affect the size of rooms and of the building and, therefore, the cost. They are sometimes, and of necessity, influenced more by economy than by convenience; but by careful study they may often be made consistent with both. It is economical, for instance, to have but one outside entrance to this house. With this entrance nearest the barns and the entrance from the highway, and treated as it is with the simple and inexpensive pergola and benches, which separate the lawn and the back yard, it should serve every purpose of a front door, and as well, also, a kitchen door. In many ten and twelve-room farmhouses with three or four outside doors, only one door is much used, and that one is either in, or near, the kitchen.

Notwithstanding the simplicity and the playhouse appearance of the building suggested by the Department, it provides more usable space for the daily activities of the family than many larger houses. It is more convenient for a small family, more comfortable, healthful, and delightful than many farmhouses costing twice as much.

**THE KITCHEN.** Very few residences of any size or cost have a kitchen more pleasantly located, better lighted and ventilated, and more conveniently arranged than this little four-room house. It is brightened by the morning sun, cooled by the southern breezes, and shielded from the intense heat of summer afternoons. It commands a view of the garden, the play grounds, the barns, the lawn, the gate, and the highway. It opens onto a screened porch which, in summer, is the most livable nook in the house. Much of the kitchen work may be done there away from the fumes and the heat of the stove which, happily for the other rooms of the house, blow out through the north and east windows.

**LOCATION OF THE STOVE AND ASH BIN.** The stove is well lighted and, with the porch window closed, it is out of the cross-drafts of air. It is within 6 feet of the most distant fixture in the kitchen and but little farther from the dining table. All stove utensils are within reach and the work table and the fuel in the box beneath it are but two steps away. The ashes drop from the firebox of the stove, through a short pipe to the ash bin underneath the concrete floor.

The walls of this under-floor bin are shown on the plans by dotted lines. The bin is under the stove and fireplace and extends to the outer foundation wall of the kitchen, where the ashes and floor sweepings are removed by means of a long-handled drag. If the building is raised on a front terrace, the bin will be 26 inches deep with its floor at ground level. With a cellar under the kitchen, the bin need be extended only to the front end of the stove. It will be deep enough to hold a year's supply of ashes.

The fuel box, supporting the table top, occupies space which might otherwise be wasted. It is filled from the outside of the house and emptied from the inside through a small door over the concrete floor.

A trap or dump, like that in the fireplace, is provided for floor sweepings and possible dust from the door of the coal or woodbox. It is in the concrete floor, behind the kitchen door, near the fuel-box opening and over the ash bin.

The carrying of fuel and ashes is thus eliminated from the woman's work; provided the man or boy fills the coal or woodbox each week, and empties the ash bin two or three times a year.

**WATER SUPPLY.** The water problem has also been carefully considered in this little plan. Cistern water may be drawn from the bucket pump on the porch or, if desired, from a pitcher pump at the sink. Hot water is heated and stored in the reservoir of the stove. The sink, with only the drain pipe to be provided, is too inexpensive to omit from any kitchen and space enough has been saved in this one to more than pay for all such conveniences.

This little kitchen excels many others in not being a thoroughfare to other rooms. The men and boys will wash on the porch, leave their hats and rain coats there, and enter the living room without disturbing the kitchen workers.

**THE PORCH.** The screened porch is as large as the plan will permit; but too small for all the purposes for which it will be in demand. Besides the usual

kitchen work, the ironing and perhaps the clothes washing will be done there. The one screen door locks up the house; and butter, meat, and milk put on the porch to cool at night, will be secure against dogs and cats. The porch will be in demand also as a dining-porch, sitting-porch, sleeping-porch, and play room. Its uses and the comfort of the house in winter may still further be increased by putting in porch sash and a solid door.

**THE LIVING ROOM.** The living room is large enough for the longest dining table that harvest days will ever require and, with its two routes to the kitchen, it is unusually convenient for feeding a large number of workmen. With triple windows on the south and two on the north, a screened porch on the east and an alcove bedroom on the west, it is as pleasant a dining and sitting-room as a \$5,000 house can afford and, with a glowing fire in the hearth, it may be as comfortable and as cheerful in winter as a steam-heated mansion. This house should cost from \$800 to \$1,000, depending on local conditions.



### Secret of Damp Weather Painting

In damp weather I always carry a chamois-skin to wipe off all moisture before painting, says L. O. Garner. It has always been a mystery to me why more painters don't do the same. This little leather stood me in good stead last fall. The painter that started a job left the north side of the building and said that neither he nor any one else could paint that part, as it was covered with water every morning. This was true. As I was working inside at the time I had taken a look at the surface and had noticed that the moisture evaporated at noon and commenced to collect again about 4 o'clock. As the job was not mine, I did not say anything until asked by the builder, who was very anxious to get the house finished and off his hands.

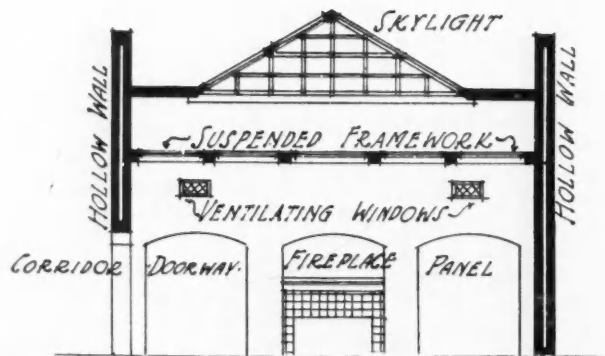
This is what I did: At about 9 o'clock in the morning, I wiped off the work with the chamois, and by adding a trifle of good Japan drier to my color so as to have it dry before the moisture collected on the work, I secured fine results. Today that part of the house looks just as good as the rest.

Another point to consider in outside painting and one that is often overlooked is carelessness in puttying. I always look carefully for all places where moisture could get in behind my work. If a cupful of water gets behind some moulding or any part of the work, it is going to get out again, and when it does, some paint is going to come off.

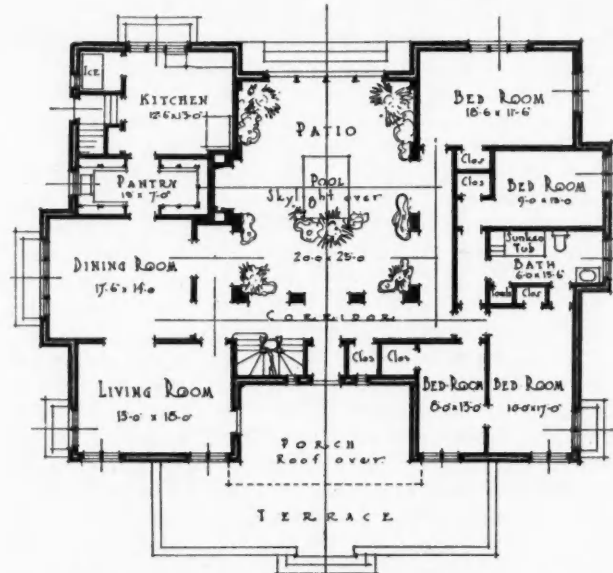


## Unique Spanish Style Bungalow

"BUILT LIKE A THERMOS BOTTLE" OF HOLLOW WALL CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION AT MODERATE COST



Section Thru Central Court or Patio, Looking Toward West Wall



HOUSE FOR DR. C. R. PULLEN • GREECE N. Y.  
CLEMENT R. NEWKIRK • ARCHITECT • CUTLER BLDG. ROCHESTER N. Y.  
Interior Arrangement Follows the Old Roman or Spanish Style

**D**R. CHARLES R. PULLEN, of Rochester, N. Y., spent a good many years in Mexico and South America, and became thoroughly converted to the Spanish way of arranging a dwelling—all rooms around a central court or patio. In the summer of 1913, therefore, when he got around to build on his country place, he was determined to have a Spanish-style house.

The severe New York State climate had to be reckoned with, though. The big, open, airy, court-yard house might

seemed to fall short of what was needed for this particular case.

The method finally chosen is what has been called "thermos bottle construction"—two walls of solid concrete with a two-inch continuous air space between. This makes literally a house within a house. The inside is entirely insulated from outside air and is, therefore, independent of the outside weather. In building these walls no forms are used; and it is all done so simply that the builders hold the cost away down, on

tural novelty.

The photograph shows the residence nearing completion. Notice the horizontal marking on the walls. These lines show the daily courses as the concrete was poured into the hollow wall machine. When finished these walls have a rough cast stucco coat. Inside the plastering is applied direct to the concrete. No furring or lathing is used or needed.

As shown by the plan, the house is built around a central court, which ex-



Residence  
Country-Place Structures of Dr. Charles R. Pullen, Rochester, N. Y., Built with Double Concrete Walls  
Cottage, Garage, Stable

be all right for torrid Mexico, but how about the feasibility of such a plan for northern New York?

The Doctor wanted to keep the cost down, yet some form of very warm, dry and permanent construction was required; and this, as all builders know, usually means high cost.

All of the ordinary methods of building were suggested, but one and all

a level with ordinary wood construction.

Dr. Pullen thought well of the new method; but being an extra prudent man, determined to try it out first in a small way. He built a poultry house first and with such good results that he followed with a combination garage, barn and tenant house. Then, in all confidence, he ordered work started on the main house; which is a real architec-

tends up to the roof, something like 30 feet. There is a skylight in the center of the court. At a height of about 20 feet there is a suspended frame work divided into 4-foot squares. This will eventually be covered with ivy, which is planted around the edges of the court. It will climb up the cement walls and run out onto the frame work.

The interior of this bungalow is fin-



ished very simply. The living and dining room walls are tinted light yellowish brown. The tinting was mixed with the plaster before it was applied and the walls left with a somewhat rougher finish than usual.

Those living in this hollow wall concrete house do not feel the changes of the outside atmosphere.

While studying up on the different

started to build cellars with the hollow wall machines, as they appealed to me from a builder's standpoint, because they are so much cheaper and more easily constructed than any other system I have been able to secure. Then finding the many advantages they have over a solid wall, it appeared to me that the same system would make a better house as well as a better cellar. I built two

of more than \$200.00 per house, and has sold them for \$300.00 more than if built with wood, making a net profit of \$18,000 by using this method. Twenty per cent is saved on insurance; and higher rents are obtained.

The photograph shows two of these houses during construction. The outside appearance is varied; but the arrangement of the rooms is the same



Two Eight-Room Cottages Erected by W. N. Britton for Eastman Kodak Employees, in One of the Rochester, N. Y., Suburbs

building methods, Dr. Pullen found that this "thermos bottle construction," while comparatively unknown to the majority of builders, is by no means new or untried. He found it had been in successful use for about six years for buildings of every sort—residences, store buildings, garages, farm buildings, factories, ice houses, etc.

**Better Buildings for Less Money**

Small and medium sized dwellings are put up at an actual saving over frame construction, in some instances of more than \$200.00 per house. For instance, the two dwellings illustrated on this page have just been built by Contractor W. N. Britton, of Rochester, N. Y. Under date of January 5, 1914, he wrote the manufacturers of the hollow-wall machine with which these "thermos bottle" concrete houses are erected.

The Van Guilder Hollow Wall Co.,  
700 Chamber of Commerce Building,  
Rochester, N. Y.

Gentlemen:—Some six years ago I

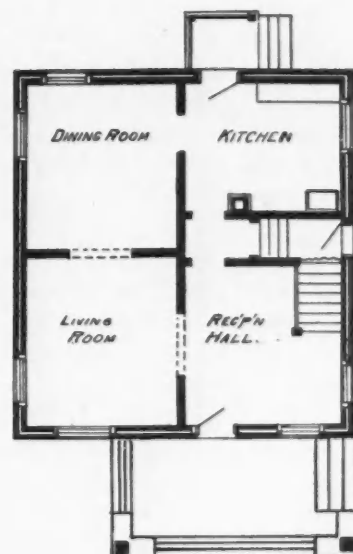
houses the first year, ten the second year and have increased the number each year. I have now eighty houses which I rent, the larger portion of them being built by this system. I have also built and sold many of this style, as well as frame houses and find the so-called thermos houses sell better, rent better, mortgage for more, and give much better satisfaction to the occupants.

I have often heard my tenants mention how easily these houses are heated and how comfortable they are in summer, and can now verify their statements by my own experience, having lived a year in my twenty-room residence, which I built with your machine.

(Signed) W. H. BRITTON.

Mr. Britton has built quite extensively homes for Kodak Park Employees. On thirty-six buildings, 27 by 29 and 25 by 27 feet, eight rooms and bath, he has made a saving over frame construction

throughout. The diagram shows the first floor arrangement.



Typical Floor Plan



## And Now Stock Terra Cotta

MAKERS NOW CARRYING WIDE SELECTION OF BEST TERRA COTTA TRIM FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY  
—BUILDERS USING IT ON ALL JOBS, LARGE AND SMALL

**I**N the building world, just as in many other phases of life, the big operator has some advantages that the little one does not have. Stunts are pulled off on million dollar skyscrapers that would be out of the question on a one-story block of stores.

The very immensity of the work and the number of pieces of each separate item required, bring the unit cost away down. Special designs can be used, because the cost is spread over so many pieces. Desirable and rich effects are produced cheaply, which the man putting up the small building cannot ordinarily even think of. The cost and the delay would be prohibitive.



Ornamental  
Supporting  
Bracket

Take architectural terra cotta, for instance. The best the makers can do, it takes from five to six weeks to produce terra cotta in accordance with special designs. For a big office building, this delay doesn't matter, because it takes that much time to put up the steel skeleton and get ready to set the terra cotta. It

wouldn't do on a small building though—a store or group of stores, a small theater, a flat building. These are usually wanted in a hurry and so the builder has to have all his materials at once. He would probably like to use terra cotta trim (it brightens up a building wonderfully) but he couldn't wait six weeks for special moulds to be made and terra cotta to be baked; so he wipes away a tear; and gets along without it.

Builders will rejoice, then, to know that some of the leading terra cotta producers have now made it possible to get first grade terra cotta immediately—right away—just when you want it. They are offering a big selection of the very best and most attractive designs to select from. This has been called "terra cotta without the wait." It is stock terra cotta, ready for immediate delivery. The beauty is all there just the same as in specially designed terra cotta pieces. Now, it must be remembered that the services of experienced mod-

ellers and sculptors are expensive. In stock ornaments this cost is widely distributed, which allows ornaments to be used which would be entirely out of the question for a small job.

The pendulum of popularity is now swinging strongly toward terra cotta. The beautiful white enamel pieces used in connection with brick or for all-glass store fronts, increases the value of any building. Lively, eye-pleasing designs and patterns, both conventional and modern, are being freely used, and the best of these are carried in stock. The time-worn and antique designs have been discarded.



A Sullivanesque, Typical of the  
High Grade Designing Found  
Today in Stock Terra Cotta

Terra cotta is appreciated because of its cleanliness.

Housewives like it. Store-keepers like it. Property owners like it. With terra cotta ordinary soap and water is all that is needed for cleaning. The original brightness and freshness remain permanently. With this material there is no need for sand blasting, acid cleaning or scrubbing with steel brushes.

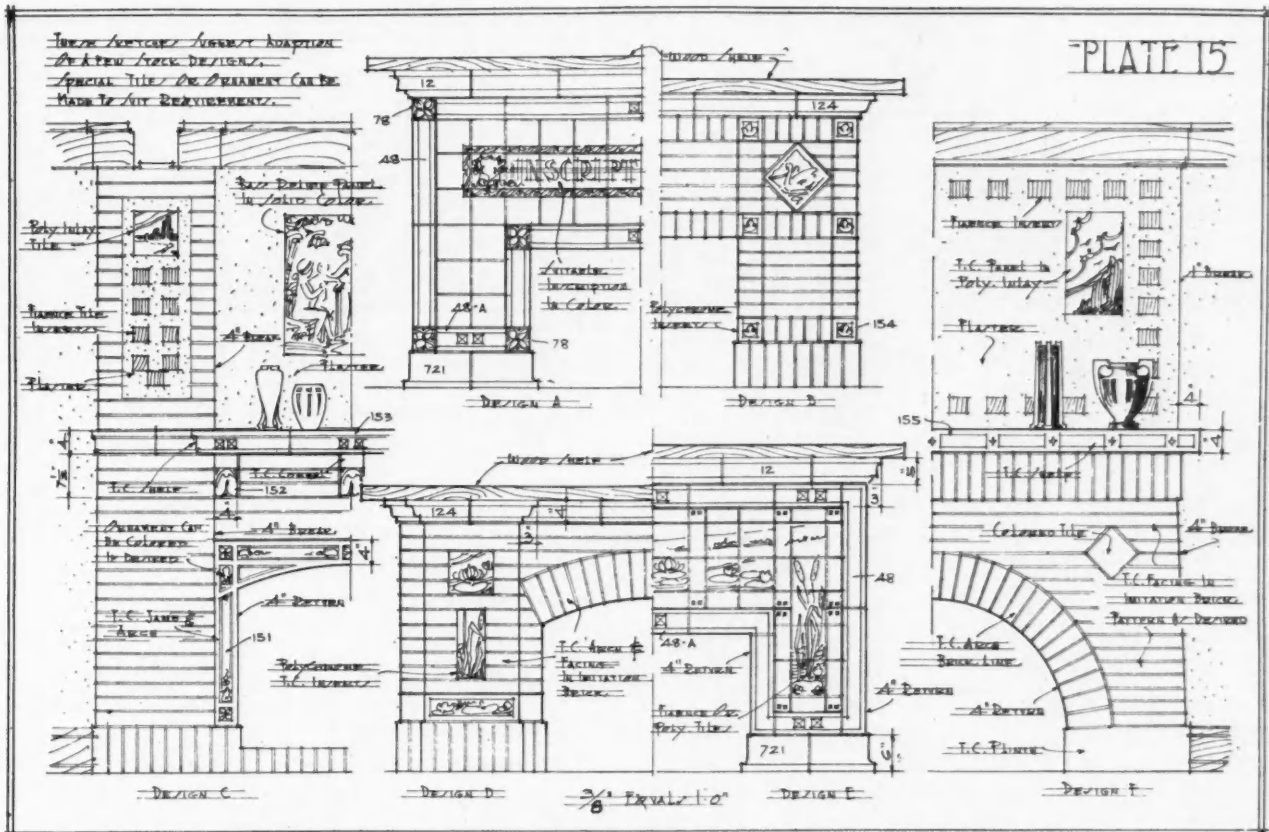
As terra cotta becomes in more general use the feeling that it presents some special or difficult problem will disappear. In fact, the use of stock terra cotta is simplicity itself—you can't order brick or stone any easier.

The detail plates on the next two pages are full of good ideas for modern building. Notice the brick mantels with stock terra cotta trimmings. This is a truly beautiful piece of work, and yet it costs no more. The entrance doorway plate shows the great variety of effects that can be had by combining various stock members in different ways. Some may think that stock materials mean a monotonous effect; but this is not so with stock terra cotta. The several members can be combined in too many different ways to raise an objection there.

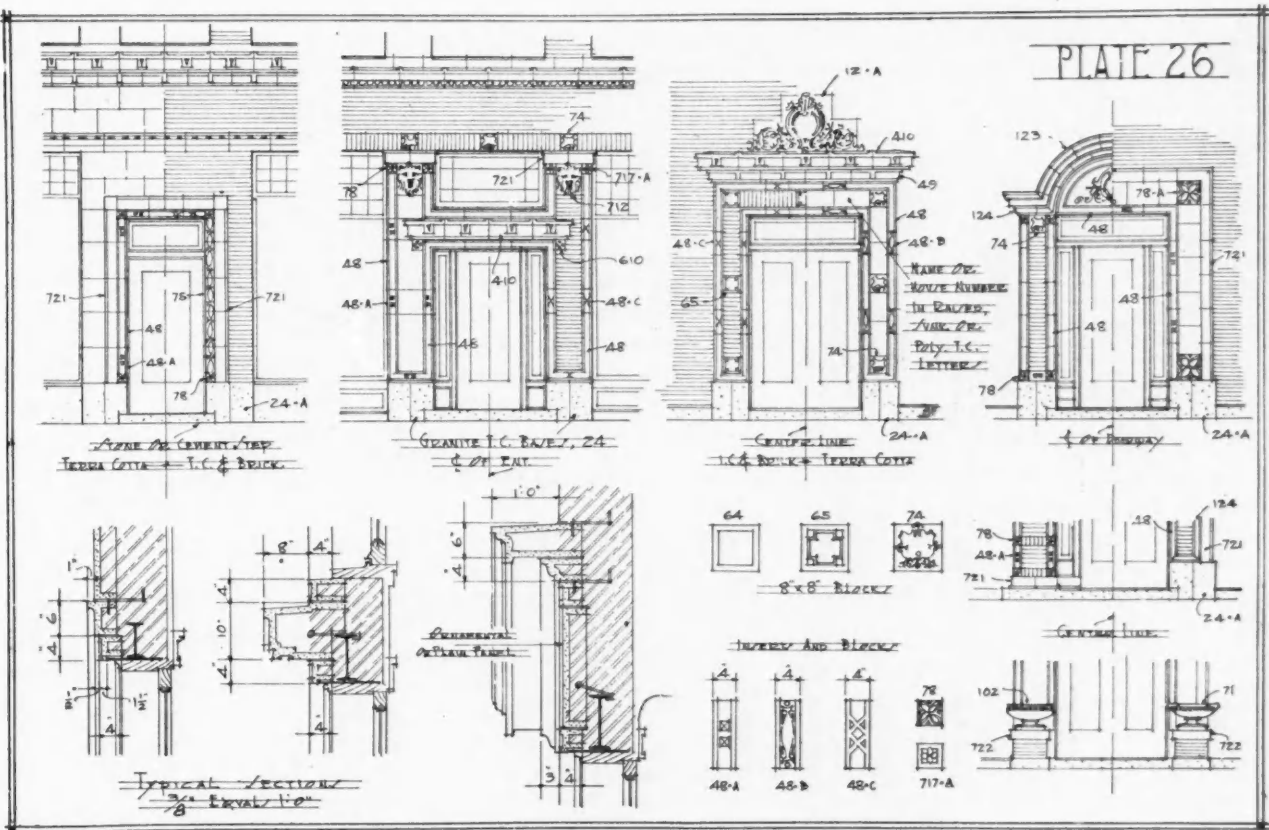


An Old Friend in Terra Cotta

Two flat buildings facades are presented; one a two-flat building, the other a three-flat building. These are texture brick with terra cotta trimmings.



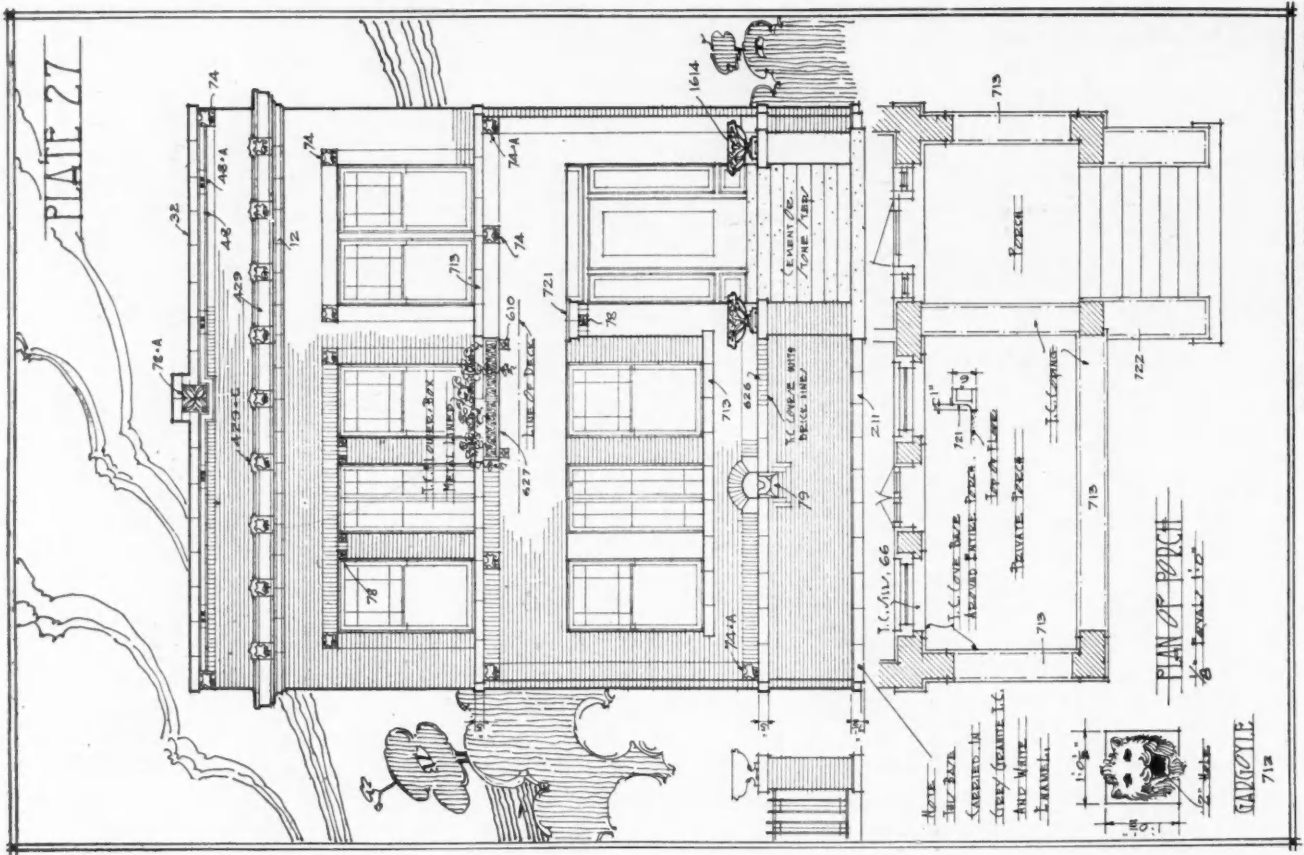
Seven Brick and Stock Terra Cotta Fireplaces and Mantels Which Offer A Wealth of Ideas to the Builder, Architect or Home Owner



Eight Stock Terra Cotta Entrance Doorways Detailed to Three-eighth-inch Scale. Note the Great Variety of Designs Possible by Combining Simple Stock Terra Cotta Units in Different Ways

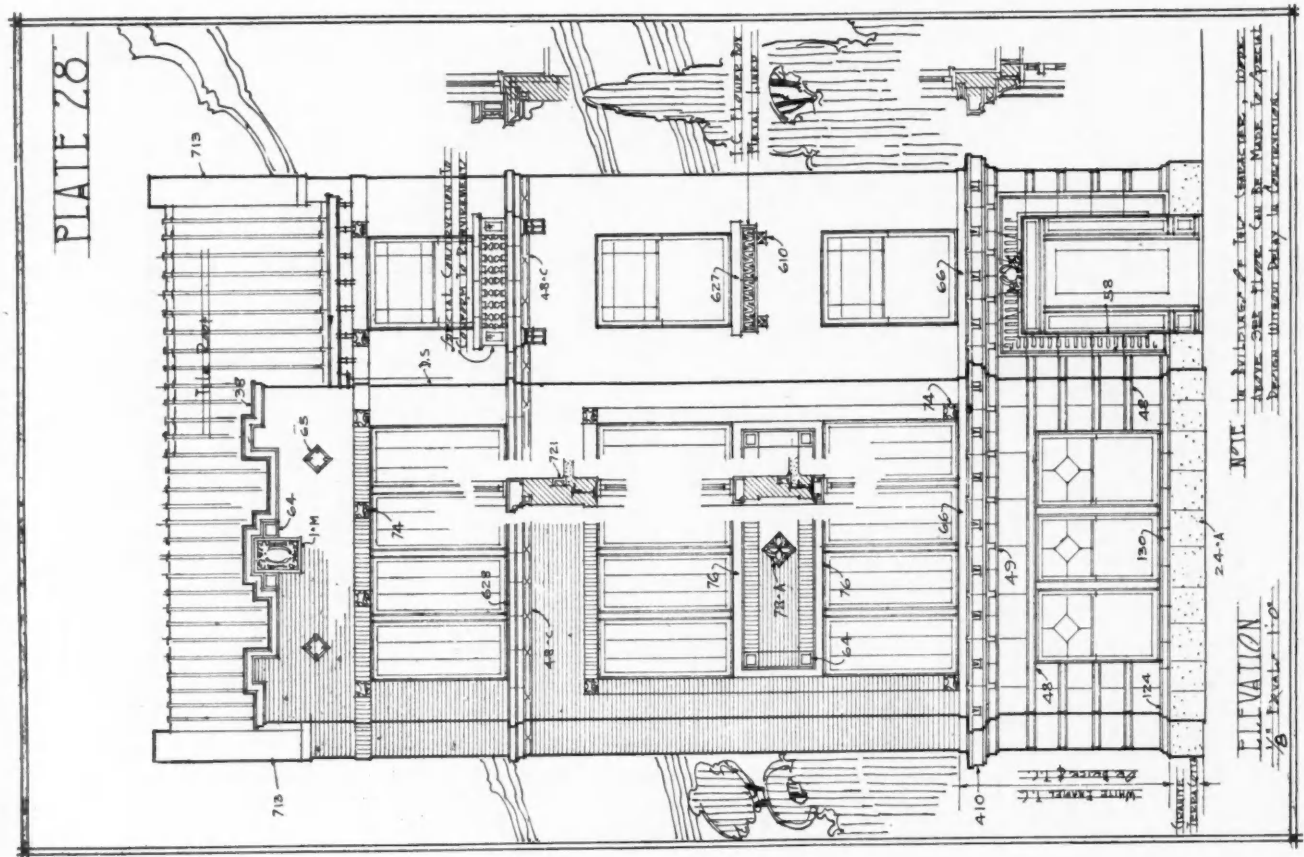
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Front Elevation and Porch Plan of a Stylish Brick Two-Flat Building, Trimmed with Stock Terra Cotta

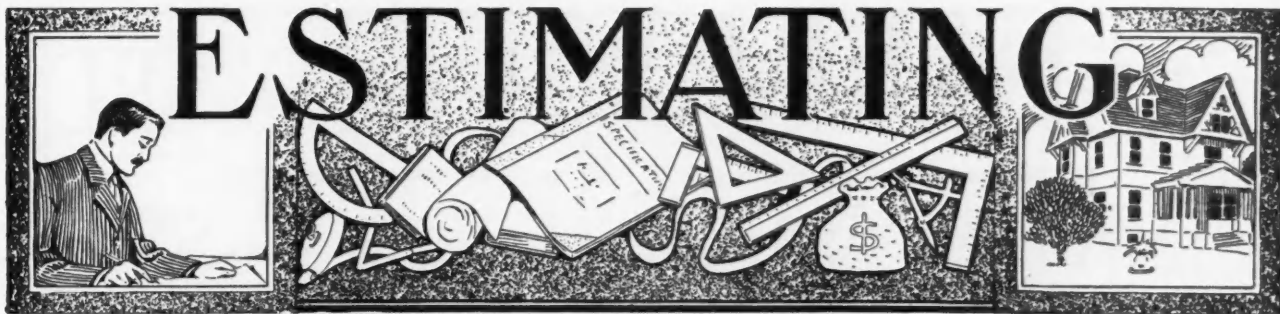
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Front Elevation of a Modern Three-Flat Building, Built of Brick and Trimmed with Stock Terra Cotta

NOTE: IN BUILDING OF TILED ROOFS, SPECIAL CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN TO MAKE SURE THAT THE TILES ARE LAYED IN THE CORRECT MANNER.

ELEVATION  
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## Costs of Ordinary Carpenter Work

SOME FIGURES COLLECTED IN YEARS OF BUILDING WORK — RATE BASIS 30c PER HOUR

By C. A. Chalk

Carpenter and Contractor, Brantford, Ont.

**I**N reply to Mr. M. L. Schilly's wish in the February issue, I take much pleasure in offering some data which I have carefully prepared by actual experience on "how long will it take to do the job."

Mr. Schilly has certainly touched on the tender spot of the experienced, as well as the would-be, estimator, and I am quite aware of the responsibility which the writer shoulders when he attempts to quote data on estimating; so the following is not meant as a standard to adhere to in all cases, but it is as it actually worked out on the job.

The way this data was obtained was by keeping tab on the various kinds of work, from setting the joist to joining the trim.

**Floor space**, including framing and setting joist, bridging and flooring of one thickness of 1 by 5-inch matched spruce or pine. Per 100 square feet, \$3.00.

**Partitions**, including cutting and setting studding, trimming for door openings, furnished with pine base and quarter round—17c per foot run, measuring on the floor.

**Outside walls**, including strapping, finished with pine base and quarter round—10c per foot run.

**Roofing**, including rafters, sheathing cornice, shingling, ridge and wall—\$6.50 per 100 square feet.

**Outside doors**, including setting frame in place for bricklayers, fit hinges, lock and case inside—\$2.10 per door.

**Inside doors**, including nailing frame together and setting, casing two sides, fit hinges and lock—\$2.40 per door.

**Cased openings**, including nailing frame together and setting, and casing two sides—\$1.40 per opening.

**Windows, box frame, sash weighted**, including setting frame in place for bricklayers, fitting and weighting sash, cutting and nailing stops and casing—\$2.40 per window.

**Ceilings of collar ties fastened to rafters**—\$1.00 per 100 square feet.

**Stairways**, for straight stairs, strings worked on the job, set in place, wedged and glued, with starting newel and hand rail and landing newel, and, say, 12

feet of hand rail around well hole—the cost of labor will be about \$1.00 per tread; where there are winders, add \$1.50 for each winder.

The above will apply to houses that cost from \$1,800 to \$2,200, all trim for paint finish.



### Estimating Carpenter Labor

To the Editor:

Chicago, Ill.

I take pleasure in supplying the information asked by M. L. Schilly, of Pierron, Ill., in February issue, regarding the cost of labor on framing houses. The following costs are based on labor at 30 cents per hour:

Making window frames.....	\$ 1.25 each.
Making door frames.....	1.00 "
Fitting inside doors.....	.75 "
Fitting outside doors.....	1.50 "
Putting up jambs.....	.15 "
Putting up casing.....	.20 "
Putting up lining.....	.15 "
Nailing base .....	2.40 per 100 lin. ft.
Joists .....	7.00 per 1000 ft. b.m.
Studs .....	10.00 " " " "
Bridging .....	6.00 " " " "
Rafters .....	10.00 " " " "
Sheeting .....	5.00 " " " "
Rough floors .....	3.20 " " " "
Shiplap .....	6.00 " " " "
<i>Siding:</i>	
Plain 6-inch work.....	1.00 per 100 sq. ft.
With long blank walls.....	.60 " " " "
Mitered joints .....	1.70 " " " "
<i>Grounds and Furring:</i>	
1 by 1-inch grounds .....	25.00 per 1000 ft. b.m.
1 by 2-inch grounds and furring.....	19.00 " " " "
2 by 2-inch grounds and furring.....	15.00 " " " "

EDWIN W. GOODE.



### Fast Work Setting Door Jambs

To the Editor:

Ashland, O.

I saw in the February number of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER an article by I. P. Hicks telling how to set door jambs fast.

Here is one that I think will beat his. I always nail the jambs together then cut the casings for one side, square both ends, allowing room for the plinth block at bottom. Then nail a straight edge across the jambs below the casings, the same distance down on both sides (marked with a sharp knife), the straight edge also marked with knife for width of jambs. Then set it in opening and get the straight edge exactly level and compass the jambs to floor and cut them. Then set it back and plumb the casings and nail it up. You can set the jambs and case a door in this way almost as quick as you can set the jambs the other way. I can set the jambs and case two doors in an hour this way.

A. C. SOURS.



## The Garage Door Problem

PART 4—ARRANGING TRACKS FOR LARGER GARAGES

By E. J. G. Phillips

Engineer with the Richards-Wilcox Mfg. Co.

### Door Schemes for Three-Car Garages

Garages for three cars are shown in Figs. 23 to 26 and the methods to be used when necessary to have either one, two or three sections of doors open at the same time. Fig. 23 requires two lines of parallel tracks and three doors, the center one being hung on the track farthest from the wall. It is then unnecessary to furr out either jamb or columns. With this arrangement, of course, only one section of opening is clear at a time.

The next arrangement, Fig. 24, permits two sections of the opening to be clear at the same time and re-



Fig. 23. Three Doors on Two Parallel Tracks

quires three lines of parallel tracks, one door running in each track. The jamb "G" should be furred out to meet door No. 3; two weatherstrips should be used at the top to keep out the weather; and guides for the bottom of each door should be provided. Another method of clearing two sections of the opening at the same time is shown in Fig. 25 where doors No. 1 and No. 3 are right angle doors and No. 2 slides on a track across the entire front of building. This method requires a little more space between the car and the doors.

In rare cases it might be desirable to have the entire front clear and this may be accomplished as shown in Fig. 26 which is a combination of right angle doors



Fig. 24. Three Doors on Three Parallel Tracks

and a third door running on a curved track. Door No. 2 on the curved track is preferably made in two sections hinged together and hung with hangers as described in Fig. 9. To clear the opening, door No. 3

is first moved back along the side wall as indicated and the way is then clear for the operation of the right angle door No. 1 and door No. 2. In hanging door No. 2 the track beginning at point "L" should gradually angle away from the track for door No. 3, this will insure plenty of clearance between No. 2 and No. 3 while making the curve.

The next plan, Fig. 27, illustrates three doors on parallel tracks all the doors sliding back toward one side when open, leaving the entire opening clear. This method may be used when the wall space is not less than the width of one door. It is not necessary to have the three tracks extend entirely across the opening, the first track need only extend across one-third the opening and the second track across two-thirds the opening.

From the installations just described and the accompanying illustrations the doors of almost any form of

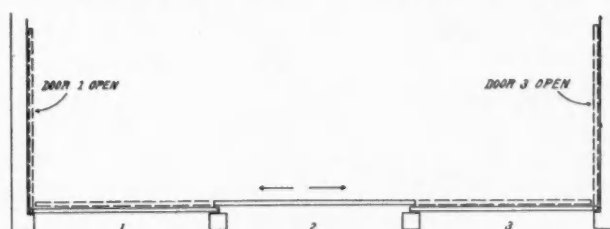


Fig. 25. Two Right Angle Doors and One Straight Slider

garage opening can be provided for. Of course, different combinations of the above methods will suggest themselves to one who has special conditions to meet.

### Making Sliding Doors Storm Tight

The next thing to consider is the means for keeping out the weather and this can be accomplished with a reasonable degree of satisfaction.

The doors illustrated in Figs. 2-4-7-8-9-10-12-13-14-18-22 require no special treatment in this respect for the doors will be reasonably weatherproof if they are made to lap the side and head jambs from 2 inches to 4 inches. In such of the above doors where two doors are required butting against each other, a material dif-



ference will be noted if the meeting stiles are rabbetted or if preferable they may be made in the form of astragals. The doors should be adjusted to run as close to the jambs as practical without chafing. Doors in Figs. 11-15-16-20-21 can be finished in the same way if one side jamb and a part of the head jamb are furred out as noted above.

Figs. 19-23-24-27 present a different problem in that it is impossible to fur out the head jamb at any point;

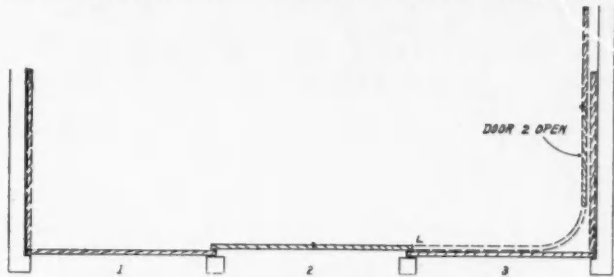


Fig. 26. Arrangement to Clear All Three Doors

it being necessary for all the doors to slide across the entire opening and anything added to the head jamb would interfere with this. It is, of course, obvious that there will be quite an opening between the top of the door which runs on the inside track, and the jamb and this will permit considerable wind and cold to enter. A satisfactory solution of this problem is found in the steel weatherstrips which may be procured as a part of the door hanger equipment. These weatherstrips are steel plates which extend entirely across the opening and are attached to the tracks. The lower edge extends down between the doors and laps the top of the doors a sufficient distance to prevent wind, rain or snow from getting into the building. The upper edge either extends to the ceiling or heading timber or is bent over above the track to meet the head jamb thus making a tight job. Illustrations of several of these upper weatherstrips are given in cross section in Fig. 19. "M" is made for ceiling attachment and "N" is adapted for side wall attachment.

In some cases it may be desirable to provide some means for closing the space between the bottom of the door and the floor. At "O" in Fig. 12 a method is shown which is sometimes resorted to when single doors or two doors running in the same track are used.



Fig. 27. Wide Opening with Three Doors on Parallel Tracks

This is done by simply building the floor of the inside of the building about  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch higher than the doorway and the space where the doors slide. This method is simple and may be effective but its application is very limited. At "P" is shown an article which serves as a weatherstrip for the bottom of the doors and also acts as a guide and is suitable for any door or any number of doors sliding in straight lines. The floor strips are built into the floor and finished flush so there is no obstruction whatever. In setting

these strips a good depth, of course cinders should be provided beneath as shown to provide for drainage, unless some other means is more suitable to meet the case in hand. Some means of drainage should always be provided for. The two pieces which form the floor strip are held the proper distance apart by small separators, the space between these separators being left open to the bottom so that any water may easily find its way to the drainage facilities. "R" is a steel strip attached to the door which slides in the opening between the floor strips thus making a tight job. At "S" the application of these strips to doors operating in two parallel lines of track is shown, both floor strips of course should be the entire length which the doors slide.

No satisfactory bottom strip for right angle doors or doors operating in curved track has been devised and by many this is considered unnecessary if the doors are adjusted reasonably close to the floor.

When weatherstrip guides are not used at the bottom of the doors, some other form of guide shoe or roller should be used to keep the bottom of the doors in place. For simple sliding doors Figs. 7-12-18 a roller of substantial design should be used at points

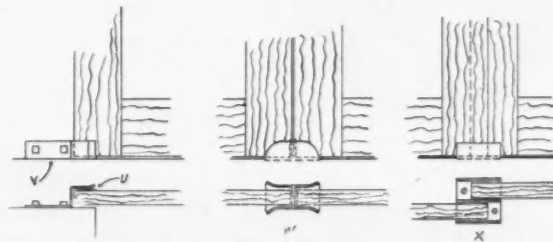


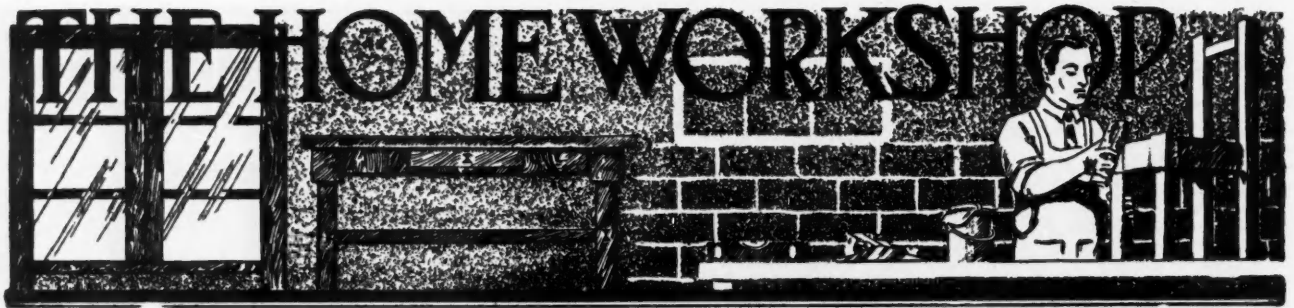
Fig. 28. Details of Sliding Door Steps

"T" and it is sometimes desirable to place a guide roller on the side of the opening toward which the door closes but this is better accomplished by means of a binder as shown in Fig. 28-"V". This binder, which may be placed next to the floor where it will be out of the way, also assists in guiding the door to meet the lock or latch properly. If a shoe is attached to the corner of the door as shown at "U," the binder will not damage the door at all.

In the center of the opening Figs. 2-4-7-13 a center stop and binder, Fig. 28-"W," should be set in the floor to receive the doors. A double guide about 6 inches in length, Fig. 28-"X," is useful in the center of the opening when two doors on parallel tracks are used as in Fig. 19.

The foregoing covers pretty generally the best practice for hanging garage doors and the methods illustrated will meet nearly all requirements, though occasionally some condition may arise which will demand special consideration. It is best in such cases to consult manufacturers who make a specialty of this class of hardware and some suitable scheme can usually be suggested.

*This is the Last of Four Practical Papers by Mr. Phillips on This Important Subject.*



## Carpenter Makes Inlaid Table Map of St. Louis

MAP IS EIGHT FEET SIX INCHES LONG AND RESTS ON A TABLE WHICH IS AN EXACT COPY OF OLD ST. LOUIS COURTHOUSE—THREE YEARS OF LABOR EXPENDED ON THE WORK.

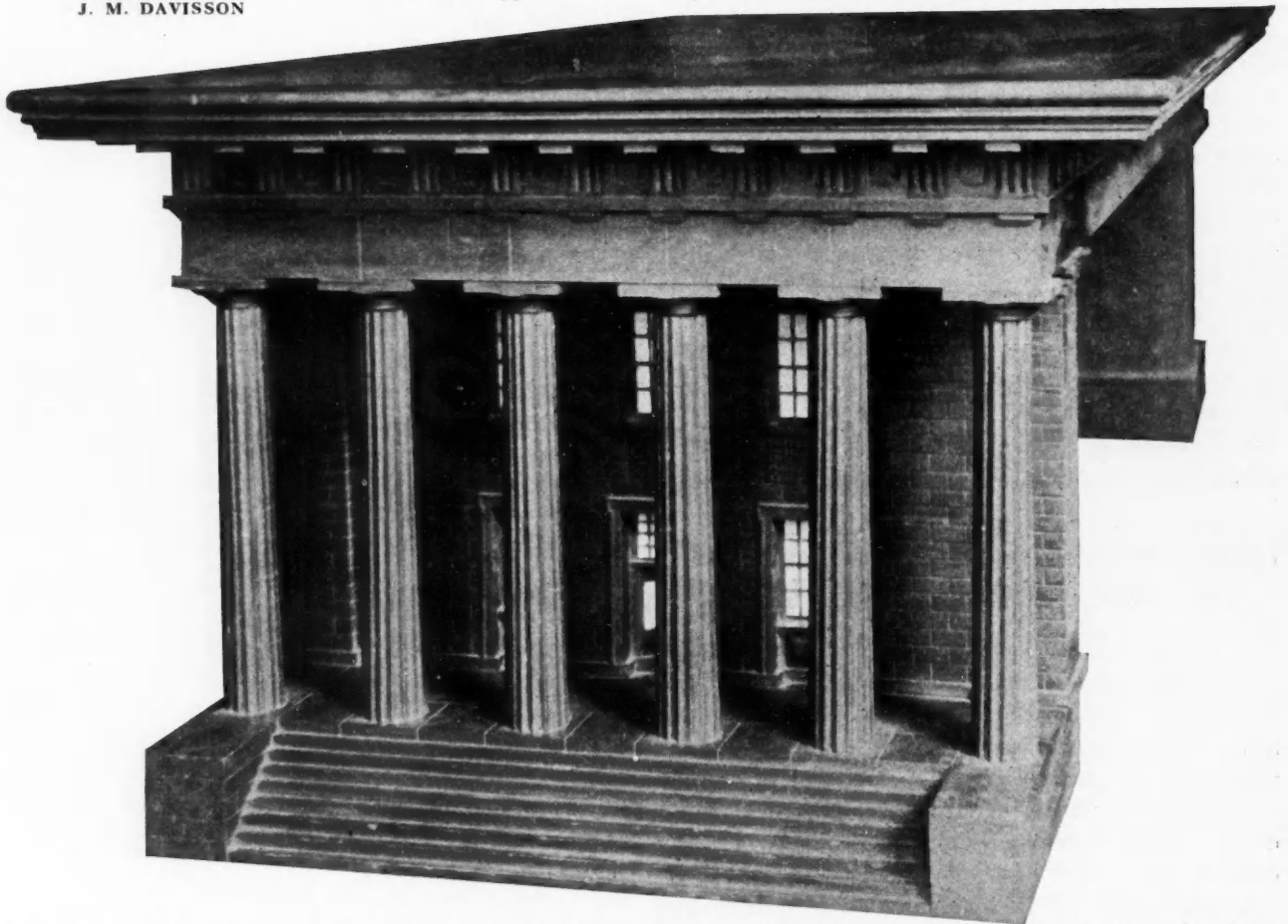


J. M. DAVISSON

**A** REMARK-  
ABLE piece of  
wood carving  
has recently been com-  
pleted by J. M. Davis-  
son, of St. Louis, in the  
form of an inlaid table  
and map of the City of  
St. Louis. The map  
contains 200,000 pieces  
of wood put together  
on a scale of about  
1,500 feet to the inch,  
and is laid on a table,  
the base of which is

an exact copy in min-  
iature of the east end of the old Courthouse at Fourth  
and Market Streets, St. Louis, from the steps of which  
slaves were sold before the war. Even the pillars  
and stones and bricks of the wall and the stone steps  
are reproduced in replica. The base, that portion rep-  
resenting the pillars and steps of the old Courthouse,  
is of solid cherry wood.

The work represents an astonishing degree of  
patience. Important places in the map are marked  
by different kinds of wood contrasting in color. The  
streets are laid in white holly, city blocks in mahogany,  
parks in tulip wood, cemeteries in bird's-eye maple,  
the Mississippi River and all streams inside the city  
limits, as well as all settling basins of the City Water-  
works, are outlined in Circassian walnut, street rail-  
ways are in red cedar, interurban railway lines in rose-



Inlaid and Carved Table, a Replica of Historic St. Louis Court House, Has Map of City on Top. This Table Was the Spare Time Work of Three Years and is Valued by the Maker at \$3,000



wood, steam railroads in camm wood, municipal buildings and lettering in ebony, bridges crossing the Mississippi River are of zebra and burl. The foundation of the inlay is of five-ply basswood, making a plate of  $1\frac{1}{8}$  inches thick. The inlay itself is of a lock pattern, three-sixteenths of an inch thick, permitting the top to be often refinished.



Top of Table is Inlaid Map

The table is 4 feet 6 inches wide and 8 feet 6 inches long, and is collapsible.

Mr. Davisson is a carpenter, but has done much similar carving work. An excellent map of the World's Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis, showing all possible details, was his work. A few years ago he carved a bust of former Gov. Deneen of Illinois.

In commenting on this table and map, Mr. Davisson said:

"I have received many matrimonial letters from all parts

of the country since this table was finished and exhibited in St. Louis, and all were answered, as one letter.

"The idea was original with me and the table was built as a past-time on hot summer evenings, cold winter nights and holidays. I claim that there are 150,000 pieces of wood in this table, but in reality I guess there are 200,000. I spent my idle hours for more than three years building it; cured, dried and seasoned all the wood myself, and all the foreign wood came to me direct from their native land.

"The table has created a lot of comment and several have made wagers that the black lines, letters, etc., were merely painted on the top. The table weighs about 700 pounds. It is spoken of as one of the features of the Panama Exposition as a part of the St. Louis show. It is still my property, now in possession of the City Club. Value, about \$3,000 (and is for sale)."

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### My Home Work Shop

To the Editor:

Millersburg, O.

I have been paying particular attention to a few articles published in the *AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER* pertaining to the Home Work Shop. This idea appeals to me to be ideal for all those who are in position to need one (either amateur or expert) and who are in circumstances to afford one. Not only does the home shop afford a nice, dry place to keep all kinds of small tools, but also is a place where the average carpenter can oft times "get busy" on cold, stormy winter days which are unfit for outside work, and times when outside work is a little slack. Such work as making new and repairing old sleds, wheel-barrow, bee-hives, repairing broken furniture, etc., and, as C. J. Case, in January issue puts it, "do any old thing that comes my way," thus and trying to earn a few dimes to drive away that old hungry wolf from the door.

I will try in as few words as possible to explain how I arranged my workshop. In one corner of our town lot (in suburb) bounded by an alley on two sides is a small barn, 16 by 20 by 14 feet, which was built to accommodate horses, etc.

Well, as I had no horses to occupy the stabling part, I began to figure on a Home Work Shop. I went to work and dropped the top joists enough to allow me a 7-foot story on second floor, with plenty of windows, two doors, and a stairway outside. This is my home shop, which is equipped with a good big coalstove, one large and several small work benches, tool-grinder, grind-stone, tool-cases, a rocking-chair, etc., in short, a place for everything.

Perhaps some reader will say my shop is as "cold as a barn." But, no! I took some heavy building paper cut in strips 3 to 4 inches wide and with some glue on them I pasted them over all inside joints and crevices made by the barn siding, thus excluding all drafts and strong winds. I want to say here that my shop is so cosy and warm that the very coldest weather we experienced here last winter (and that was 14 to 16 degrees below Zero) I did some varnishing in my shop and we all know that to flow varnish freely and properly the temperature must be somewhere around 70 degrees. The first floor of my shop building is used for a hen house, and what thought is more pleasing (when you are busy at work) than to hear a bunch of hens chattering and cackling, at the same time filling the market basket with 33c eggs.

A home shop of this kind can be arranged at a very small expense. I know of some brother-carpenters and mechanics in our town of long years of experience that do not own a small work shop at home, even where conditions are favorable. These fellows will walk quite a distance and pack a bunch of tools to some planing mill shop to do perhaps two hours' work.

H. W. WALTERS.





## NOON-HOUR TALKS BY THE BOSS CARPENTER

### Talk No. 20—Figuring I-Beams

THE BOSS TELLS HOW TO FIND THE SIZE OF A STEEL I-BEAM TO CARRY A GIVEN LOAD

WHEN the "calculating squad" met for their noon-hour rest, one of the men asked permission to present a problem which he had met with in his previous work, but had been forced to abandon on account of lack of knowledge as to what should be done in such a case. It seems he was asked to figure the size of a steel I-beam to be used over the front entrance of a moving picture theatre to support a brick wall 9 feet high and 12 inches thick, extending clear across the front of the building, which was 32 feet wide.

The Boss then explained that, although the general methods used in calculating timber beams could be applied to this problem, the details of calculation would vary to some extent, especially in choosing the values of moments of inertia ( $I$ ) and the unit strength of the material in bending ( $p$ ). The value of the bending moment for a freely supported beam with a uniformly distributed load would not be changed at all, but would still be  $\frac{1}{8} Wl$ , as in previous calculations.

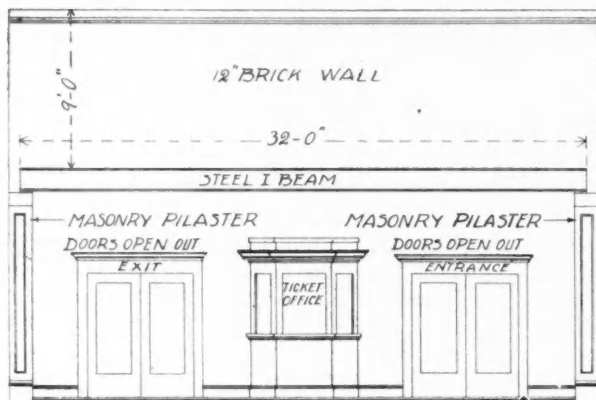
"As long as we have time this noon," said the Boss, "suppose that we take our friend's problem and see what we can do to help him out. I have a hand-book of the Cambria Steel Company here, which I think we can use to advantage for finding our size of steel I-beam for use in this case. Before we start, we will hand this book around so you can all see how the different steel beams are listed in this book, and that

the headings to the different columns shown give values for many of the different parts which we will want to use. We will refer to the columns by number, reading from the left."

The men then looked at the page referred to by the Boss, which we reproduce in part in the following:

Properties of Standard Steel I-Beams

Depth of Beam.	Weight per Foot.	Area of Section	Thick-ness of Web.	Width of Flange.	Moment of Inertia Axis 1-1.	Section Modulus Axis 1-1.	Radius of Gyration Axis 1-1.	Moment of Inertia Axis 2-2.	Radius of Gyration Axis 2-2.
Inches.	Pounds.	Sq. Ins.	Inch.	Inches.	Inches. <sup>4</sup>	Inches. <sup>3</sup>	Inches.	Inches. <sup>4</sup>	Inch.
3	5.50	1.63	.17	2.33	2.5	1.7	1.23	.46	.53
"	6.50	1.91	.26	2.42	2.7	1.8	1.19	.53	.52
"	7.50	2.21	.36	2.52	2.9	1.9	1.15	.60	.52
4	7.50	2.21	.19	2.66	6.0	3.0	1.64	.77	.59
"	8.50	2.50	.26	2.73	6.4	3.2	1.59	.85	.58
"	9.50	2.79	.34	2.81	6.7	3.4	1.54	.93	.58
"	10.50	3.09	.41	2.88	7.1	3.6	1.52	1.01	.57
5	9.75	2.87	.21	3.00	12.1	4.8	2.05	1.23	.65
"	12.25	3.60	.36	3.15	13.6	5.4	1.94	1.45	.63
"	14.75	4.34	.50	3.29	15.1	6.1	1.87	1.70	.63
6	12.25	3.61	.23	3.33	21.8	7.3	2.46	1.85	.72
"	14.75	4.34	.35	3.45	24.0	8.0	2.35	2.09	.69
"	17.25	5.07	.47	3.57	26.2	8.7	2.27	2.36	.68
7	15.00	4.42	.25	3.66	36.2	10.4	2.86	2.67	.78
"	17.50	5.15	.35	3.76	39.2	11.2	2.76	2.94	.76
"	20.00	5.88	.46	3.87	42.2	12.1	2.68	3.24	.74
8	18.00	5.33	.27	4.00	56.9	14.2	3.27	3.78	.84
"	20.25	5.96	.35	4.08	60.2	15.0	3.18	4.04	.82
"	22.75	6.69	.44	4.17	64.1	16.0	3.10	4.36	.81
"	25.25	7.43	.53	4.26	68.0	17.0	3.03	4.71	.80
9	21.00	6.31	.29	4.33	84.9	18.9	3.67	5.16	.90
"	25.00	7.35	.41	4.45	91.9	20.4	3.54	5.65	.88
"	30.00	8.82	.57	4.61	101.9	22.6	3.40	6.42	.85
"	35.00	10.29	.73	4.77	111.8	24.8	3.30	7.31	.84
10	25.00	7.37	.31	4.66	122.1	24.4	4.07	6.89	.97
"	30.00	8.82	.45	4.80	134.2	26.5	3.90	7.65	.93
"	35.00	10.29	.60	4.95	146.4	29.3	3.77	8.52	.91
"	40.00	11.76	.75	5.10	168.7	31.7	3.67	9.50	.90
12	31.50	9.26	.35	5.00	215.8	36.0	4.83	9.50	1.01
"	35.00	10.29	.44	5.09	228.3	38.0	4.71	10.07	.99
"	40.00	11.76	.56	5.21	245.9	41.0	4.57	10.95	.96
15	42.00	12.48	.41	5.50	441.8	58.9	5.95	14.62	1.08
"	45.00	13.24	.46	5.55	455.8	60.8	5.87	15.09	1.07
"	50.00	14.71	.56	5.65	483.4	64.5	5.73	16.04	1.04
"	55.00	16.18	.66	5.75	511.0	68.1	5.62	17.06	1.03
"	60.00	17.65	.75	5.84	538.6	71.8	5.52	18.17	1.01
18	55.00	15.93	.46	6.00	795.6	88.4	7.07	21.19	1.15
"	60.00	17.65	.56	6.10	841.8	93.5	6.91	22.38	1.13
"	65.00	19.12	.64	6.18	881.5	97.9	6.79	23.47	1.11
"	70.00	20.59	.72	6.26	921.2	102.4	6.69	24.62	1.09
20	65.00	19.08	.50	6.25	1169.5	117.0	7.83	27.86	1.21
"	70.00	20.59	.58	6.33	1219.8	122.0	7.70	29.04	1.19
"	75.00	22.06	.65	6.40	1268.8	126.9	7.58	30.25	1.17
24	80.00	23.32	.50	7.00	2087.2	173.9	9.46	42.86	1.36
"	85.00	25.00	.57	7.07	2167.8	180.7	9.31	44.35	1.33
"	90.00	26.47	.63	7.13	2238.4	186.5	9.20	45.70	1.31
"	95.00	27.94	.69	7.19	2309.0	192.4	9.09	47.10	1.30
"	100.00	29.41	.75	7.25	2379.6	198.3	8.99	48.55	1.28



Elevation of Theatre Front to be Carried

The Boss explained that while a beam is generally referred to in terms of its depth, it should also be referred to in terms of its weight per foot of length. He pointed out that these two quantities are given in the first two columns of the table shown. He also cautioned them that a steel I-beam is of maximum strength in bending when placed so that its neutral axis coincides with the direction of the line 1-1, and is of least strength when placed so that its neutral axis lies along the line 2-2. These lines are shown in Fig. 54.

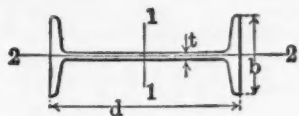


Figure 54. Cross Section of Standard Steel I-Beam

“As an example of this point,” said the Boss, “you will notice that the moment of inertia in column 6, which is taken about the axis 1-1, is greater than the moment of inertia for the same beam as shown in column 9 and taken about axis 2-2.

“Now, to start on the problem,” said the Boss. “In the first place, we will consider that this steel I-beam of unknown size is to rest with its ends freely supported upon steel or iron plates which rest on the two brick side walls of the building. Our friend states that the beam is to carry a section of brick wall 32 feet long, 9 feet high and 1 foot thick. Supposing that we first find the weight of the brickwork which this beam is to carry as a load uniformly distributed over its entire length.”

The Boss then wrote in the “log book,”  $32 \times 9 \times 1 = 288$  cubic feet of brickwork. Allowing 125 pounds as the weight of a cubic foot of average brickwork, the total weight supported by the beam would be  $125 \times 288$  or 36,000 pounds. This is equal to  $W$  in the formula for bending moment, due to a uniformly distributed load on a freely supported beam.

“Now,” said the Boss, “let us get back to Talk No. 1, and look at Formula No. 1 for the strength of a beam

in bending. We find this to be  $\frac{pI}{e} = M$ , where  $p =$

the unit bending strength of the material in pounds per square inch,  $I =$  the moment of inertia of the cross-section in inch units,  $e =$  the distance from the center of gravity of the cross-section to the most distant fibre in inches, and  $M =$  the maximum bending moment, as referred to above, in inch and pound units.

“Our hand book tells us,” said the Boss, “that the breaking strength of structural steel when subjected to bending is about 60,000 to 64,000 pounds per square inch. If we are to use a factor of safety of 4 in our calculations, that will mean that we can only use about 16,000 pounds per square inch as a unit working strength in bending in our formula. This would be the value of  $p$  for structural steel, with a factor of safety of 4.

“Since we do not know the size of the beam which is to carry this load, we will have to leave the quantities, moment of inertia ( $I$ ), and  $e$  alone for awhile—

in fact, we find that we will have to solve for the  $\frac{I}{e}$  part of the problem. Supposing that we fill in all parts of the formula which we can readily obtain, and then see what this value of  $\frac{I}{e}$  must be.”

The Boss then wrote down in the “log book”:

$$\frac{pI}{e} = M.$$

Filling in values, he wrote:

$$16,000 \frac{I}{e} = \frac{1}{8} \times 36,000 \times 32 \times 12.$$

Solving for  $\frac{I}{e}$  he obtained:

$$\frac{I}{e} = 108.$$

“Now,” said the Boss, “if you will look at column 7 of the table you will see a heading called ‘Section Modulus.’ This is the name given to the value obtained by dividing  $I$  in inch quantities by  $e$  in inches for any given beam. Therefore, it remains for us to look across to the left in the line, where we find the value of

our Section Modulus, or  $\frac{I}{e}$ , and see what depth beam and weight per foot of length correspond to this value. For instance, our value of  $\frac{I}{e}$  (Section Modulus) is 108. Tracing across to the left in the table, we see, in column 1, that the depth should be 20 inches, and that the weight per foot of length corresponding is 65 pounds.

“You will notice,” said the Boss, “that the value of 108 is not given in the Section Modulus column, and that as a result of this, we use the beam which corresponds to the next value above 108. If we had used 102.4, the value given next below 117, our beam would have been too light for the load and still would have cost us more. You see that the beam corresponding to 102.4 is an 18-inch beam weighing 70 pounds per foot of length. It is always safer to use the beam with the higher Section Modulus.

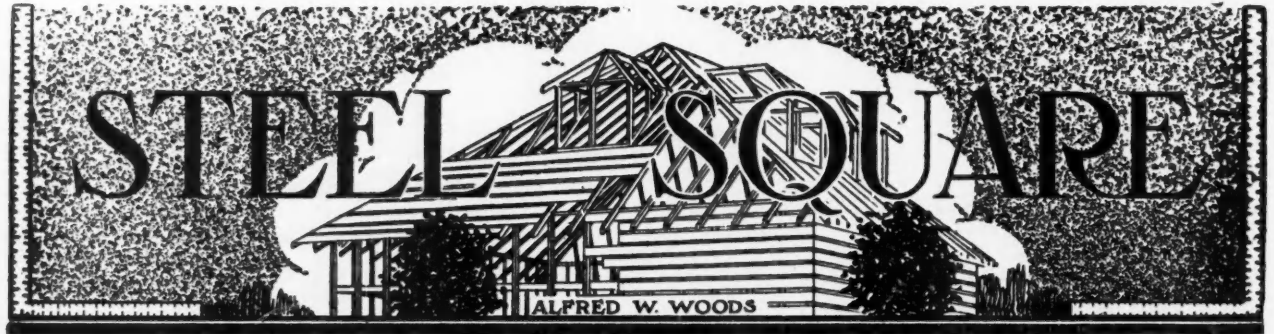
“If we wished to find the deflection in this beam, we would proceed as we did in Talk No. 2 for a timber beam, using proper values for  $E$  and  $I$ . For a freely supported beam with a uniformly distributed load, we would use the same formula as used in Talk No. 2,

$$d = \frac{5}{384} \frac{Wl^3}{EI}$$

“For structural steel, our hand book tells us that 30,000,000 pounds per square inch is a fair value for  $E$ . From the table above, we see that column 6 gives us 1169.5 as the value of  $I$  for a 20-inch, 65 pounds per foot beam.

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## Possibilities of the Steel Square

ILLUSTRATING SEEMINGLY ORDINARY THINGS IN ROOF WORK THAT ARE IN REALITY HARD TO ACCOMPLISH IN PRACTICE

By A. W. Woods

A CORRESPONDENT recently asked how we would go about it to frame a gable on a round or cone-shaped roof; said gable to have about half the rise of that of the main roof. He assured us that he could do it all right, but wanted to see it worked out on the square.

At first thought, the question may seem a simple one to solve; but not so easy in practice. In fact, it is one of those complex things that comes up in fram-

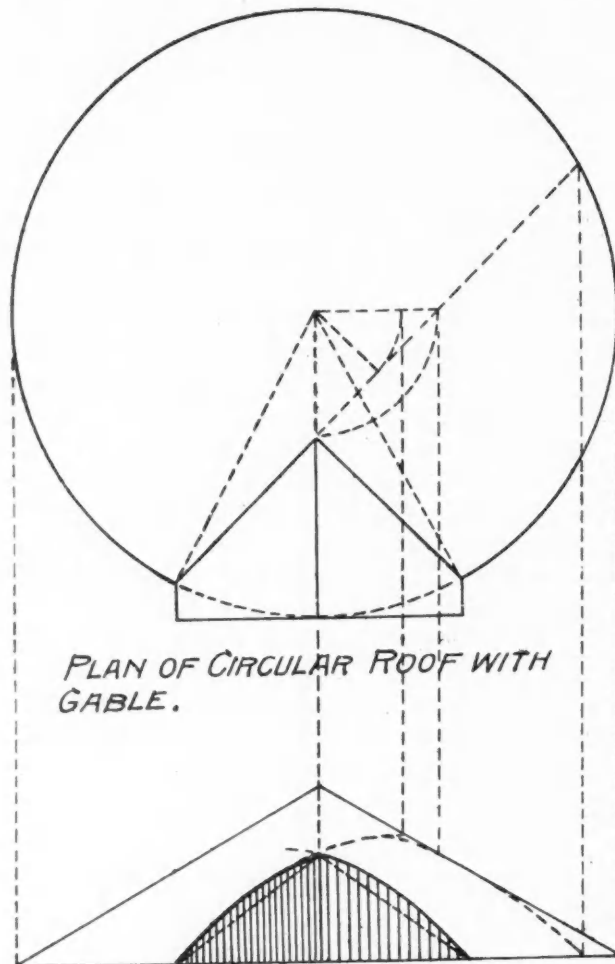
ing that are out of the ordinary; that is, it is not readily solvable without first making a diagram, but rather to be developed by geometric drawing, because it will be readily seen that the valley cannot have a straight back, as in the case of a level-plane roof.

We can illustrate this better by taking a small cone, made out of wood, a potato or an apple, or anything that can be easily worked. Now, suppose we cut this cone through its center, the contour would show the pitch of the common rafters to form the roof; but not so with a gable to join on to it, because its valleys do not radiate from the center of the cone. Consequently, it must have a curved back to coincide with the contour of the main roof, where the gable joins it.

The common rafters, or rather the jacks, would require a corresponding curved back to coincide with that of the valley and may be developed in the same way as for any other curved roof; but in this the order is reversed; i. e., the curve of the common rafter must be developed to coincide with that of the valley, instead of the valley to that of the common rafter; and to find the proper curve for the hip is where the real trouble begins. Yet after it is accomplished, it is not worth the price.

It is easily to be seen that if the gable had a rise equal to that of the main roof, the valley would be regular, or, in other words, would have a straight back; but, of course, the gable would be of a steeper pitch than that of the main part. When constructed in this way the cuts can be readily arrived at with the steel square, but not so in the first case, because of the rafters taking on an elliptical shape, as before described. Of course, the difference may not be much, but it is enough to throw the whole thing out of easy working. It is simply one of those problems that the inexperienced is apt to drop into without knowing what he is running up against until after he is in it and then it is get out of it the best way he can, regardless of the effect from a workmanship point of view.

The accompanying illustration shows the plan of a cone roof with a gable of somewhat steeper pitch than that of the main roof, but the fact that it intersects a circular roof necessitates one of two things—a curved



PLAN OF CIRCULAR ROOF WITH GABLE.

ELEVATION SHOWING PART REMOVED FOR GABLE AT SHADED PART.



roof for the gable, as above described, or if the rafters are to remain with straight backs, the valley would have to be a curvature sideways to bring it in plane with that of the pitch of the gable. The latter method would still more complicate matters.

It is far better to look ahead as to what the cause and effect is liable to bring forth, rather than look backward and see what it has been; and we know of no better place to apply it than in roof framing.

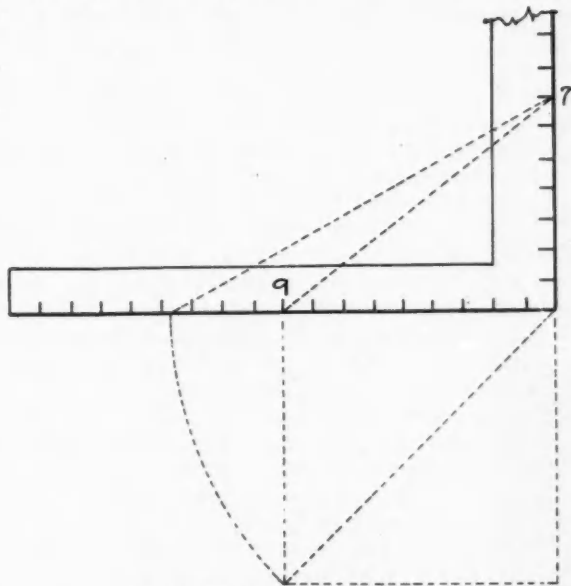
## The Steel Square QUESTION BOX

### To Find the Length and Cuts by Scale

To the Editor: Lynnville, Iowa.  
I have been reading some of the Radford books on Practical Carpentry, and understand the rules given for such as  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$  pitch, etc., by letting 12 on the tongue represent the run and 6, 8, 12 on the blade represent the rise, but suppose we have a building with, say, 5-foot run and 7-foot rise. What figures should I use on the square to give the cuts and also for obtaining the length of the common rafter?

WILL ALLEE.

Answer: In cases of this kind, it is generally found by taking the run and rise to scale on the steel square—that is, by letting the inches represent feet and by using the side of the square, on which the inch marks are divided into twelfths,



the twelfths will represent inches in the actual measurements. It is, therefore, necessary that the square be very accurately placed, as the variation will be multiplied twelvefold.

For illustration, say the run is 9 feet and the rise is 7 feet, we would have as shown in diagram, which we trust fully explains itself; 9 and 7 give the seat and plumb cuts for the common rafter. The diagonal of 9 by 9 represents the run of the hip and this, taken on the tongue and the rise of the common rafter, will give the seat and plumb cut for the hip. Nine and the length of the common rafter will give the side cut of the jack, while the length of the diagonal and the length of the hip will give the side cut of the hip; the side of the square on which the length is taken will give the angle for the cut.

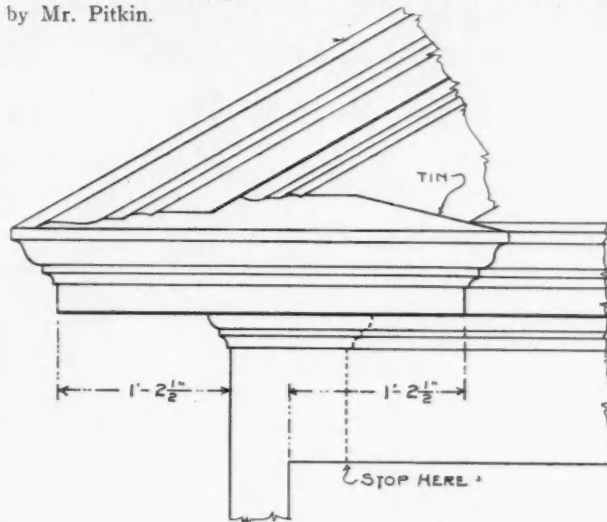
A. W. WOODS.

### How Far to Make Return?

To the Editor: Greenfield, Mass.  
I would like to ask the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER the proper length for return of cornice at gable front. I figure twice the width of plancier plus the width of corner board. Would like to know whether this is right or not? I would also like to know how long the frieze should be under the return.

MAURICE A. PITKIN.

Answer: The first question we believe is correctly answered by Mr. Pitkin.



Detail of Cornice Return at Gable Front

As to the second question, it is as shown by the dotted line in the illustration, but in most cases it gives the best effect to let the frieze run across the gable, also the crown mould, as shown.

EDITOR.

### Roofing Question

To the Editor: Carrollton, Ala.  
Will you be so kind as to explain in the columns of your paper how to shingle over the bend in a gambrel roof so as to do a good job?

I have a large barn to build with gambrel roof and I think I can form it all right, but I want to shingle the roof where the pitch changes so as to look neat and not leak.

RUSSELL SCOFIELD.

### Figuring Steel I-Beams

(Continued from page 79)

"Filling in our formula, we would have:

$$d = \frac{5 \quad 36,000 \times 32 \times 32 \times 32 \times 12 \times 12 \times 12}{384 \quad 30,000,000 \times 1169.5}$$

"Solving, we have  $d = 8/10$  of an inch (approx.).

"If we wish to see if this exceeds  $1/360$  of the span, which is the limit for deflections where a plastered ceiling is to be used, we would proceed as follows:

$$1/360 \times 32 \times 12 = 1 \quad 1/10 \text{ inches (nearly).}$$

"This would show that the deflection due to the load of 36,000 pounds is less than the allowable, or  $1 \quad 1/10$  inches."

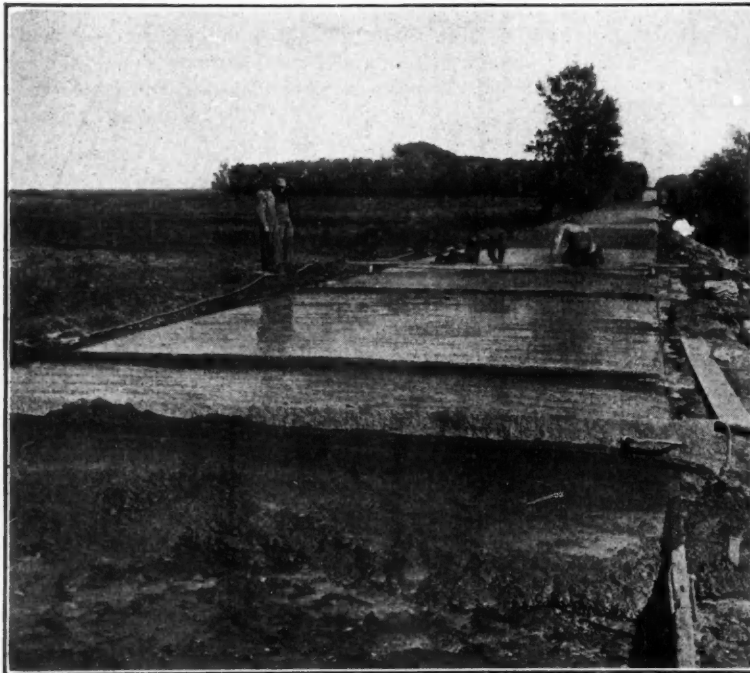
The Boss also explained that other problems where steel beams were to be used could be figured in a similar manner, taking care to use a proper value for the maximum bending moment, as indicated in the talks on timber beams, and also to watch the value of  $p$  and  $E$  in steel calculations.

# CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION

## The Road Problem Solved by Concrete

**I**N Eastern Pennsylvania, certain portions of that historic highway known as "Old York Road," are still controlled by turnpike companies, and the tollgate continues to be a respected institution. A company controlling about two miles of this old road, over which Washington and the continental army marched at various times, has had a profitable investment, paying from 7 to 8 per cent dividends. In by-gone days another section of turn-pike leading into Old York Road paid its owners as high as 12 per cent. Good stone and gravel pits made the maintenance of this road comparatively easy, and the much-talked-about patrol system was established many years ago. Always there were men at work, cracking stone by hand and putting it into such depressions and washouts as occurred.

But in spite of its solid supervision, the road is going to pieces, as does the average road, when subjected to automobile traffic. The rapidly revolving tires disperse the rock-dust or binding material in clouds, and the stones, upon exposure, are ripped out and hurled aside. The situation is akin to that in every rural community, and the turnpike company and farmers who dwell along this old turnpike are up against a problem. They must decide whether they will submit to bad roads, pay excessive annual maintenance charges or pay for a road so solid that it will never get out of repair.



Method of Constructing a Typical Sixteen-Foot Concrete Road. The Temple Used to Strike the Crown is Shown Against the Concrete in the Foreground. Back of this are the Installing Devices for Expansion Joints. They are Holding Steel Protecting Plates in Position and Will be Removed Before the Concrete Hardens. Beyond, Men are Troweling the Surface. This Road is Near Mason City, Iowa

In many localities, farmers have dismissed the first two propositions as impossible, and they are building durable roads. And some of them believe it is better to do this by local taxation rather than to have the state take over and control the roads, thus depriving them of the right to say what type of road shall be built. It was the farmers who defeated the recently proposed \$50,000,000 bond issue in Pennsylvania. They wanted the opportunity to build roads that would not be utterly destroyed long before state or county bonds should mature. In Connecticut, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Delaware and Pennsylvania, both state and local communities are turning to the concrete road as the solution of their problem, and with excellent results.

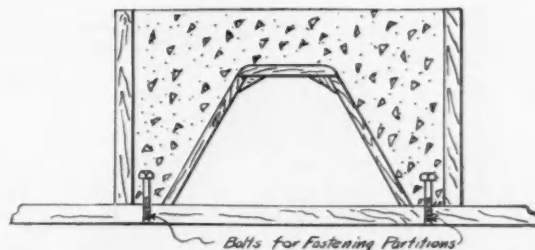
Taking a 16-foot concrete road as a basis, highways of this character have cost on the average about \$12,000 per mile, while maintenance costs have been practically nothing. For example, in Bellefontaine, O., a concrete road put down twenty years ago, has cost less than \$25 per mile per year for maintenance, while the average maintenance cost of macadam road in five eastern states in 1912 exceeded \$800 per mile per year. The farmer, in adopting concrete, has figured the matter in this way: A road is an investment. The most conservative estimate of maintenance cost on macadam per mile per year would be certain to reach \$300 if the road is subject to motor-driven traffic and kept passable at all seasons. An equally conservative estimate for construction is \$5,000 per mile. The \$300 maintenance cost represents interest on \$6,000 at 5 per cent, thus making the real investment \$12,000 per mile, or the cost of a mile of indestructible concrete road. As a matter of fact, taking New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania costs, the investment would become \$25,000 per mile.

From considering a single mile of roadway, it became interesting to figure costs on many miles to see what would happen in the case of macadam as compared with concrete. For example, let it be assumed that 500 miles are to be built during a period of five years at the rate of 100 miles per year, and that repairs will not be required on either type of road for two years. Beginning, then, at the third year, and estimating maintenance costs for concrete at \$25 per mile per year, the Bellefontaine figures, the total maintenance costs on 500 miles of concrete road would, at the expiration of seven years, be only \$37,500. In the case of macadam, basing costs on New York and New Jersey figures for 1912, repair costs on the New York and New Jersey figures for 1912, repair costs would reach the enormous total of \$1,350,000. Where concrete roads are very narrow, say 9 feet wide, and have a dirt road at the sides, they could be built for \$7,500 per mile. Maryland has built excellent concrete roads of standard width, for a little less than \$12,000,000

per mile. It is upon the foregoing economic basis that farmers are beginning to look at the road question.

But aside from moderate first cost and practically negligible maintenance costs, the popularity of the concrete road is rapidly growing in rural communities due to the experience of those who have used it. For the farmer it is the ideal highway. Described briefly, the building of a concrete road consists of putting a wet and mushy mass of Portland cement, sand and stone in the center of a highway, where it hardens into imperishable rock.

The accompanying illustrations give a very good idea of the building of a road and its appearance when finished. The first picture shows the construction of a concrete road near Mason City, Ia. The concrete has been placed between



Cross Section Through Mold for Concrete Trough

other even surface and surrounded with a board frame or form, which is then filled with concrete. The concrete is struck off while fresh to insure an even bottom. No special finish is required and very crude work will answer the purpose. The dimensions of the trough will, of course, depend upon the length and size of the board forms. Small troughs for chickens or large troughs for hogs may be made with equal facility.

Another simple method of making a small trough is to substitute for boards half of a drain tile or terra cotta pipe for inside form. Where the boards are used it would be well to oil the surface coming in contact with the concrete. This makes the removal of the forms easy. A mixture of 1 part Portland cement, 2 parts sand and 4 parts crushed stone or gravel will make a concrete suitable for this purpose.

To prevent hogs from crowding or getting into the trough, cross pieces should be used as shown. To provide for bolting the cross pieces, holes should be bored in the platform at required intervals and the bolts set in with the thread end down. The bolts should go into the platform to a depth that will insure sufficient projection for the strap iron cross pieces and the nut. The concrete should be a "sloppy wet" mix and thoroughly puddled in the form. It should be kept in the form several days and protected from hot sun and wind. When sufficiently hard on the exposed surface to resist indentation with the thumbnail, the forms may be removed. The concrete should then be sprinkled twice a day for the period of a week.



Twelve-Foot Concrete Road at Whitehall, Md. This is the Type of Road that Has Proved to be a Veritable Boon to the Farmers. It is an Ideal Thoroughfare to Walk Upon as Well as a Road, Never Accumulating Mud or Dust

rigidly staked side forms. The road then troweled with wooden floats. The view of the finished road in Maryland shows its admirable surface. This type of road appeals especially to the farmer and his family, because it provides them at all seasons with an excellent place to walk, as well as a thoroughfare for vehicles.

It is a fact that in Wayne County, Michigan, children go to and from school on roller skates over the wonderful concrete roads of that locality. Horses never slip or fall upon these roads and will draw twice or three times their accustomed load. In Wayne County, one farmer has driven an unshod horse over the concrete roads for a long period of time without injury to the animal. It is needless to say, torrential rains cannot wash through these roads. The water must go over or under them. Another especially good feature of the concrete road is its freedom from dust, as well as mud. Wherever farmers have used these roads they are enthusiastic in their commendation, not only because of their great durability and low maintenance cost, but because in every sense they represent the ideal highway and, therefore, the solution of the road problem as it applies to rural communities.



**Durable and Sanitary Feeding Troughs**

A SIMPLE, sanitary and economical use of concrete is shown in the accompanying picture of a feeding trough for hogs. Nothing could be easier than to make troughs of this character for swine or poultry. Old lumber free from splits and knot-holes may be used. To procure an everlasting receptacle of this character simply means the nailing together of two boards in the shape of an inverted V. These are placed on a board platform or



Concrete Feeding Troughs for Hogs and Poultry

The strength of a trough of this character will increase with age. It may be easily cleaned and will resist the hardest usage. The longer it is exposed to the weather the more durable it will become.





## Lean Mixture Prevents "Hair-Cracking"

AUTHORITY PRESENTS SURPRISING DATA ON CEMENT STUCCO WORK—LEAN MIXTURE CONCRETE NON-CRACKING AND EASILY MADE WATERPROOF

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THE ease with which stucco lends itself to artistic treatment, has tended toward a precocious development that has been harmful. The trouble is that a stucco job which at first appears to be an artistic gem, gradually reveals flaws which may finally overshadow the original beauty.

What is the cause of the "checking" and "hair-cracking"? Is it superficial, or is it hidden in the physiochemical composition of cement? Much valuable study has been devoted to the external treatment of stucco, but few have stopped to question its internal composition. Let us therefore study some inside facts of stucco mortar.

The subject is an interesting one and the conclusions startling. Who would have thought, for instance, that cement acts like wood: swelling up on wetting, and contracting on drying? But this is proven by careful measurements.

A. T. Goldbeck, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, showed this in experiments described in the *Engineering Record* of July 8, 1911 (page 45). His researches were confirmed by Prof. A. H. White, working independently in the University of Michigan and published in the *Engineering Record* for July 15, 1911 (page 73). Both of these gentlemen proved scientifically and conclusively that mortar and concrete expand on wetting, and contract on drying, the action keeping up for years.

### Wetting Causes Big Expansion

In some cases the amount of expansion (due to wetting) was as great as that due to 100 degrees increase of temperature. This is a startling fact, when it is remembered that concrete expands with heat just as much as iron does. The strains, due to wetting and drying, are therefore very severe and come quickly and repeatedly. It is not difficult to see why this should be such a serious source of cracking.

It is fortunate that only the cement is affected, the sand remaining practically uninfluenced by moisture. Therefore lean mortars are much less affected than rich ones: a 1:3 stucco, when moistened, expands much less than a 1:2. But as Prof. White says, "If stucco is lean enough to avoid cracks, water will go through it freely; and if it is rich enough to keep out water, it will crack."

In Italy, where stuccos have been used for centuries, masonry walls were thick and waterproof in themselves. Cement was made from pulverized natural rock, and lean stucco mixtures were a matter of economy. The passage of ages has developed comparatively little checking in the Italian stuccos. But today, in America, Portland cement is

Here is a subject to study into. While all will not agree with the author in his conclusions, he does throw considerable new light on this debated question.—Editor.

cheap, walls are thin, and climate severe, so that rich mixtures have been used in the attempt to get cheap waterproofing. The results is excessive hair-cracking.

It is, of course, true that a 1:2 stucco is more waterproof than a 1:3,

but it is very much more liable to crack. On the other hand, a 1:3 stucco, properly applied, is safe from cracking, though very porous. This, then, is the dilemma which confronts the constructor: how to make stucco lean enough to avoid cracks, yet, non-porous enough to keep out water. The problem has been solved by the use of a 1:3 mortar in conjunction with an effective waterproofing compound.

### An Architect Learns a Lesson

Practical experience has corroborated the laboratory in showing the need for lean mixtures, but as is frequently the case, we did not see the everyday facts in clear light, until science opened our eyes. For instance, it has long been known that excessive troweling of a floor, etc., should be avoided. Now, we understand that the troweling worked the particles of cement to the surface, making a rich mixture which cracked, for the reasons above mentioned.

Some years ago an architect was building a stucco home for himself. The contractor ran short of cement and asked permission to use a leaner mixture. This was permitted for the back of the house, where it wouldn't be noticed, but the richer mortar was insisted on for the rest. To the surprise of everyone, the back wall is still flawless, while the front of the house is full of hair-cracks.

### Waterproofing the Walls

It must be emphasized that with a lean mortar, the permanency of the waterproofing compound is a very important point, as the stucco is exposed to beating storms. A permanently waterproof stucco is dependent on using a compound that is absolutely insoluble and unaffected by the elements. Bituminous waterproofing products belong to this class, and compounds have been developed which are miscible with water, yet become absolutely insoluble after the mortar has set. This result is obtained by emulsifying the bitumen, which then mixes with water as easily as milk does (milk is an emulsion). But when the mortar sets, it de-emulsifies the bitumen, which then becomes as insoluble as a milk spot. (Butter is de-emulsified milk and is not miscible with water.)

Bituminous materials so prepared give a very high degree of permanent waterproofing. They are absolutely unaffected by salt-air, brine, running water, boiling water and ordinary chemicals. They actually strengthen the mortar instead of

weakening it, and because of the lack of all harmful action, the amount of compound is not limited to 2 per cent. If desired, 10 per cent or more may be incorporated in the mixture and the waterproofing effect correspondingly increased. In this way, a factor of safety may be secured which is as important in waterproofing as in other branches of engineering. It then becomes possible to waterproof under guarantee, a cellar 50 feet below tide level, by means of a 3/4-inch interior mortar facing. Evidently, this is the kind of material which will give satisfaction also in external stuccos, where no pressure is encountered, but where, on account of the lean mixture, a safety factor is desirable to cover variations in mixing and plastering.

Bituminous materials also lubricate the mortar, enabling a very lean mixture to be troweled easily and compactly. They also retard the too rapid drying out of the stucco.

#### Protecting Green Concrete

We might mention here that if new, green stucco is subjected to the rapid evaporation of hot summer days, great care must be taken to prevent premature drying out. It must be remembered that the setting of Portland cement is a chemical reaction that requires time and moisture.

Mortar will have no strength unless this set is obtained. As mortar dries it shrinks. This shrinking puts a strain on the mortar which causes cracks, if it comes before the cement has sufficient strength to withstand it. If, however, the stucco is kept moist for several days, by means of tarpaulins or fine spray, the cement will harden normally and become strong enough to withstand the strain caused by drying. Soap compounds should be avoided, as they delay the setting, thus causing the mortar to remain weak for a longer time. If stucco is made from a lean mortar, properly waterproofed, properly foundationed, and kept from premature drying, it may be allowed to harden without fear of immediate or subsequent cracking.

On large surfaces the thermal expansion should be considered, especially if the stucco is applied to a base having a different rate of expansion. It may be advisable to divide the surface into panels, having projections which add to the pleasing effect and facilitate the uniform application of the stucco.

The above outline calls attention to a few internal characteristics which are vital. Relieve the stucco of the disrupting strains caused by their disregard and a worthy material is secured for the best ideals of architecture.

## "Gas Engine Better for Mixing Concrete"

SMALLER POWER PLANT RAPIDLY DISPLACING STEAM, SAYS MANUFACTURER—ADVANTAGES ARE MARKED  
—VARYING STATE LAWS CAUSE NO INCONVENIENCE FOR GASOLINE USERS

By Clarence E. Bement

(Secretary and Manager of the Novo Engine Company)

THE advent of the automobile has done for the stationary gasoline engine more than all the previous years of demonstration had accomplished. It showed the most skeptical that the gasoline engine is a positive, reliable and dependable power for every purpose within the range of its capacity, and that range is being extended every day. Steam power, entrenched behind more than a century of achievement, has stubbornly resisted the encroachment of the gasoline engine, but is now rapidly yielding to the irresistible power of facts and experience. This is exemplified very clearly in the substitution of gasoline engines for steam engines and boilers on the larger capacity cement mixers.

When a contractor is using steam power on a mixer it is necessary for the engineer to report for work an hour or more before the rest of the crew, so that he may have steam up. A gasoline engine is always ready to start.

The mixing of concrete on the ordinary job is an intermittent proposition. The concrete is poured for a few hours into a set of forms, and then the mixer is not used again until another set of forms is ready. It is manifestly an advantage to be able to shut down a gasoline engine without waste of power or any attention required until the mixer is again put into operation. With a steam boiler the fire must be banked, and some attention paid to keeping the boiler supplied with water.

#### Boiler Laws Work Hardship

At the present time special boilers are required for Massachusetts, Ohio, Indiana, Chicago, Detroit, Wisconsin, Alberta and British Columbia. Boilers over 20 horse power for stationary purposes must be special if used in Ontario. It is manifestly impossible for a manufacturer to carry in stock eight or more different kinds of boilers with five or six sizes of each and be prepared at all times to give service in the way of prompt delivery. The special boilers, as a rule, are made from special plates, which must be inspected, first at plate mill in the raw material state, and afterward during the process of manufacture in the boiler-shop. Except in a few of the most popular sizes it is practically impossible to

buy a special Alberta or Massachusetts boiler, for instance, in a shorter time than four to six weeks.

A contractor using a mixer in New York state cannot take that machine with its boiler into Massachusetts. A Chicago contractor having a Chicago boiler is not allowed to operate that boiler in Michigan, Indiana or Wisconsin. As contractors as a class are migratory, these boiler laws are a decided hardship to them.

As against all these boiler difficulties we have a very satisfactory gas engine situation. A gas engine can be used in any state without any state laws regulating its construction. A licensed engineer is not, as a rule, required to operate it, whereas, steam boilers and engines, as a rule, must be operated by an engineer with a certificate, at a high rate of wages per day.

Fuel for gasoline engines is sufficiently uniform throughout the whole country to give satisfactory results, and in these days of automobiles and small engines for farm purposes, nearly every crossroads grocery has a gasoline supply.

A gasoline engine weighs less than a steam engine and boiler of the same horse power, which is advantageous on concrete mixers or any other equipment that is portable or semi-portable.

#### Modern Engines Light

When the gasoline engine first came into the commercial field it was thought necessary to make it heavy and cumbersome to stand the strain of the internal combustion and to hold it in position. This idea has been exploded, and the later models of gasoline engines have been designed with all the surplus metal cut out, making them more easily portable without sacrificing their efficiency and durability.

The substitution of the spark plug and jump-spark ignition has simplified the gasoline engine to a wonderful degree over the old style make-and-break ignition with its complicated mechanism, repairs for which could be obtained only from the original maker, whereas, the spark plug and its attachments can be bought at every garage and many hardware stores.

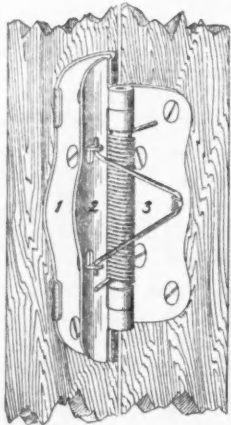




### The E-Z-O-N Hinge

The most business-like of the detachable screen-door hinges has recently been placed on the market. It is a very neatly finished, wrought-iron hinge, fitted with strong springs and very securely fastened, both to the screen door and door frame. The principle upon which the detachable hinge works is simplicity itself.

Referring to the sketch, a steel shoe or resting plate (1) is screwed to the door frame. Four projecting lugs on this plate hold the hinge leaf (2) solidly in place, due to the action of the coil spring pressure. When the door is to be unhinged, it is partially opened, and the wire attached to plate (2) is hooked over small projecting hook on plate (3), the other side of the hinge. Then the door is closed and this wire takes the pressure of the coil spring, and the hinge unlocks from the door-frame plate.



Hinge Being Removed From Door Casing Plate

The detachable door hinge must be easily put on and off, and also prove itself a solid, workable hinge while the door is on and in use. This new hinge is all of these. It is made extra strong and has an extra firm bearing; four screws in each leaf. When the door is off, the only part that remains on the door post is a simple steel plate; nothing to rust out or be objectionable.

Once these plates are fastened to the door post they serve equally well for screen door hinges and storm doors. Carpenters and builders will be interested to equip their houses with these improved satisfaction-giving hinges, fixing up both screens and storm doors, to work interchangeably on the one bearing plate.

The detachable hinge idea is a good one, and we are glad to see a really serviceable high-grade hinge of this style come onto the market.



### New Type of Concrete Wall

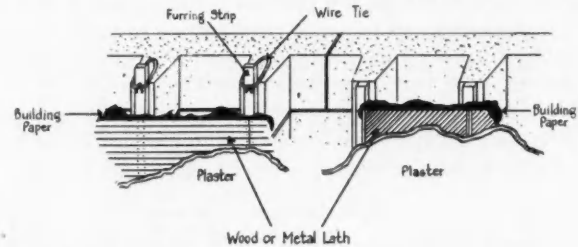
An idea in concrete wall construction which will be popular for a good deal of residence work and other light construction, was featured at the Chicago Cement Show. The illustration shows the special features of the method. The concrete blocks are formed in a double "T." The bar of the "T" has an extra fine finish, which makes the outside of the wall. The web members at right angles to the face extend back as shown in the sketch, and wood furring strips are fastened perpendicularly to the ends of the projection. These are wired in place by laying galvanized iron ties into the mortar joints. Metal or wood lath is nailed to these furring strips and the plastering is applied to form the inside of the wall.

This makes a light, warm and dry construction, having all

the advantages of the heavier masonry walls, yet costing on a level with frame construction.

While this is a new idea, it is by no means untried. The big industrial city which the United States Steel Corporation are now building near Duluth, makes use of these concrete blocks and this method. The foundation walls are the regular block, double-wall construction and this lighter method is used for the superstructure.

It is an idea that works out exceedingly well with this



Detail of Block and Plaster "Double" Wall

particular block (known as "Hydro-Stone.") It is a very high grade and easily made block that is sure to have a big future. Incidentally some of the most beautiful cement block surface treatment and ornamental finishes were on these "Hydro-Stone" blocks in this exhibit.



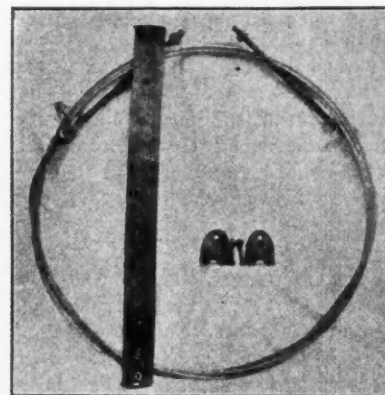
### To Simplify Silo Work

To the Editor:

Endicott, N. Y.

In reply to your letter, will say I have had about fourteen years' experience in the building of silos, and that dates back to about the time stave silos were first successfully used.

I believe that the carpenters and contractors in the farming districts can make for themselves a good business, building silos.



Improved Silo Hoop With Band Iron Section to Go Across Silo Door

An average silo consists of about 2500 feet of matched 2-inch lumber and the necessary hoops, and door and door-frame device. This lumber can just as well become a staple commodity for the lumber yards as flooring, siding or other building material, and save the cost of local freight rates, which vary from 12 to 50 cents per 100

pounds, according to distance. This adds to the cost of the structure, \$6.00 to \$25.00, if shipped complete from some nearby factory; again, if the farmer goes to his local dealer or contractor for this material he has the privilege of selecting just such material as he wants, whereas, the silo manufacturer sends what he believes to be suitable, which is often unsatisfactory to the customer.

Then, the questions of patents enters largely in building of door-frames and hoops. In fact, nearly every device imaginable has been patented and many of them are still in litigation.

(My device for both doors and hoops has been through the courts and is now free from any further questions.)

This matter should be carefully considered by any one going into the business, or even buying a silo.

ELMER B. LACEY,  
Manufacturer of Patented Silo Hoops.



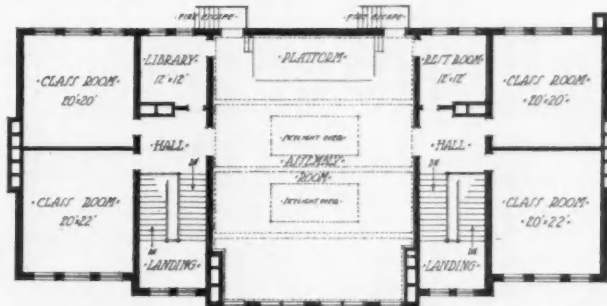
**Up-to-Date High School Building**

**W**ITH all the special courses that are offered nowadays in the high schools, it is no small task to arrange a building so that every department can work under its own most favorable conditions. Domestic science for the girls, manual training for the boys, physical and chemical laboratory courses, gymnasium work, public speaking—all these are important in high school work and each must have a room of proper size and favorable arrangement to meet its individual needs.

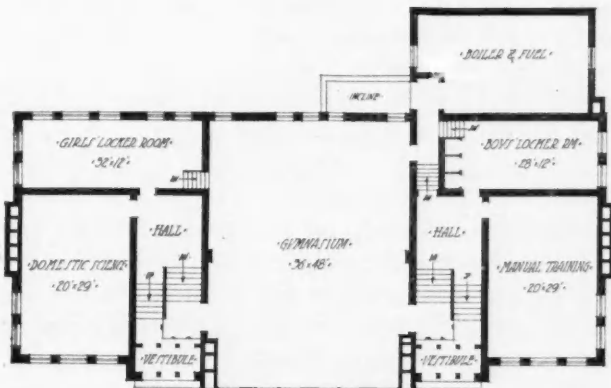
The accompanying floor plans will merit a good deal of study by all who are interested in modern high school planning. This is a design by the well-known school house architect, G. W. Ashby, of Chicago. He has prepared in this design what may be called a model high school building. The high basement accommodates gymnasium, domestic science and manual train-

ing rooms, locker rooms and heating plant. On the first floor are the laboratories, principal's office and four class rooms. The second floor has a large central assembly hall, library room, teachers' rest room, and four class rooms.

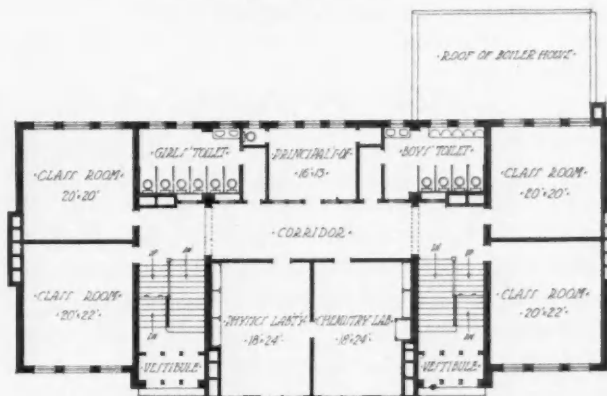
The exterior design is attractive, handled in brick with stone trimmings.



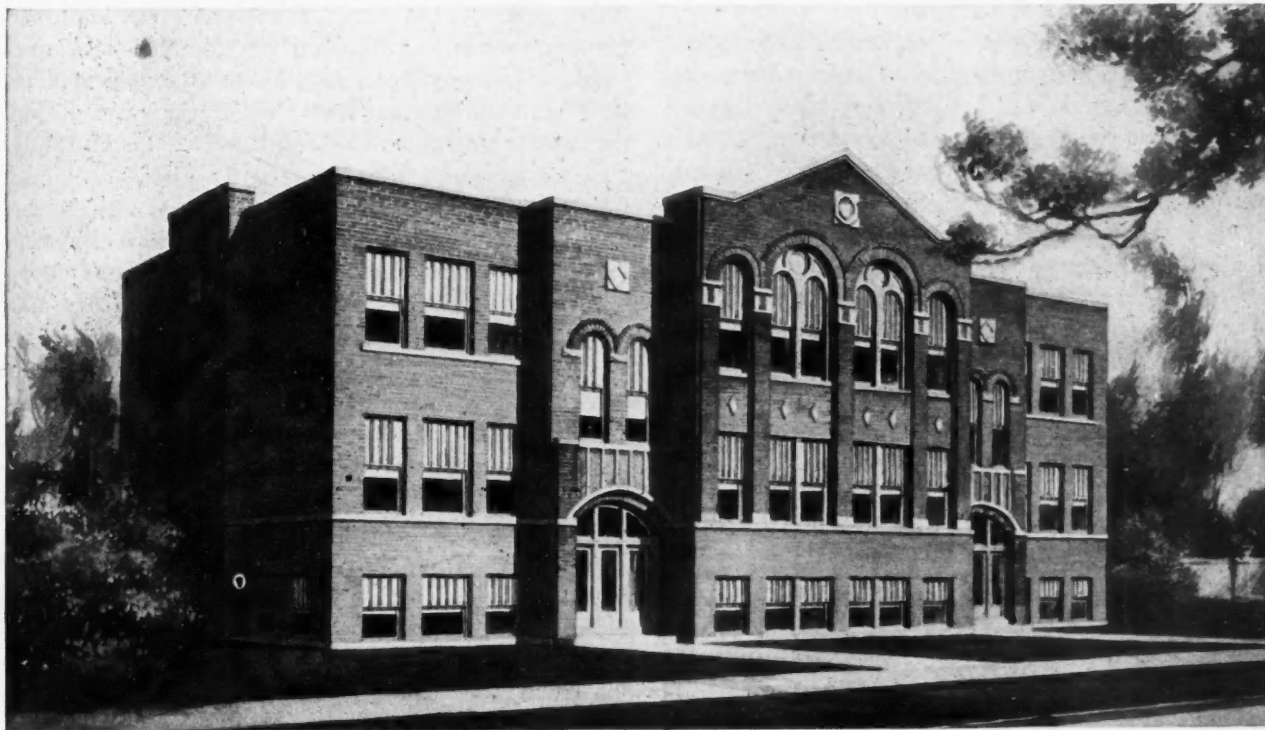
Second Floor Plan



Basement Floor Plan



First Floor Plan



Modern High School Building, Offering Ideal Accommodations for All Departments; Designed by Architect G. W. Ashby, of Chicago



## Hardwood Flooring and the Floor Layer

FOUR JOBS WHERE THE FLOORING MADE TROUBLE

By W. L. Claffey

**T**HE hardwood floor, as a rule, is laid by a profession commonly known as "floor layers," who specialize in the laying of hardwood floors, which comprises oak, maple, birch and beech flooring.

These floor layers may be divided into two classes—the good and the bad. The expert floor layer obtains his reputation by the high class and perfect work that he turns out. It is practically his only asset in the game. Many large and prosperous floor-laying concerns reach their prosperous condition due chiefly to conscientious workmanship in their earlier days. The floor layer that is careless or ignorant in this line of work will never succeed.

Owners, architects and contractors nowadays know the value of first-class work when it pertains to hardwood flooring. Even after the floor is finished, the appearance at some time sooner or later, if improperly laid, will testify to bad workmanship.

The floor layer that makes good is invariably the one who knows the proper method of laying floors that will always stay right. A good floor layer does not rely upon the contractor for all his business. In fact, the greater share of his work is obtained through satisfied owners.

One expert floor layer that I know makes a specialty of canvassing among very fine old homes that were erected during the days when only soft pine floors were to be had. Usually  $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch thickness oak flooring is used for old homes, laid directly over the old pine floors. This expert in a very few minutes, after ascertaining the square feet of space to be re-covered, will tell the cost, including the finishing.

While on this subject, it might be well to dwell upon some actual cases that the writer was called upon to investigate, which are quite pertinent.

### Some Flooring Failures and Why

In Detroit, about a year ago, 2,450 feet of oak flooring were laid by an incompetent floor layer, parallel with the sub floor. The sub floor in the course of ten days started to contract, with the result that it made crevices in the floor above every 6 inches, which

was the exact width of the sub floor. The owner made the complaint to the dealer, and I was called upon to look into the case. A glance at the floor immediately told me that the flooring was laid parallel to the sub floor, which I proved by going into the cellar and looking at the direction in which the sub floor was laid. The floor layer was called upon to explain why he laid the oak flooring over the sub floor in this fashion. He had no good excuse to offer other than he thought it was the proper way. It brought out the fact that he was a novice in floor laying. Every bit of this oak flooring had to be taken up and replaced by new oak flooring and, of course, this time it was laid properly at right angles to the sub floor.

Another case in Kansas City, a short time ago: 2,000 feet of oak flooring were laid in a very fine residence immediately after being delivered from the retail yard. At the retail yard it was given improper housing, where it absorbed considerable moisture, resulting in many pieces swelling to an extent of  $\frac{1}{16}$  inch from the original size. The period was during the winter season. The result was that unsightly crevices appeared very numerous after the house was heated. The architect in this case placed the blame upon the retailer and the floor layer. He contended that during the winter season hardwood flooring, especially oak, should be kept in a very dry and warm place for at least ten days or two weeks prior to the time of laying. This floor also had to be ripped up and replaced by new stock at a big expense, which was borne by the dealer and the floor layer. It might be well to say that they tried to place the blame upon the manufacturer, but after careful investigation, revealed the aforesaid conditions.

At Ithaca, N. Y., a few years ago, an 8-inch brick wall was bulged out to the extent of 3 inches, and after careful investigation it was found it was done by the flooring, which was oak, being badly abused by too much water being used and left on in scrubbing the floor, which cause the swelling. Usually in a case of this kind, the floor will bulge up in the middle of

the room, but it was found in this particular case that nails were generously used through to the oak sub floor.

In another case in St. Louis, where the flooring showed crevices throughout the floor, revealed the fact that the sub floor was green stock and the carpenters left no space whatever for contraction. A few months after the flooring was laid these boards contracted anywhere from  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch, and while the flooring was laid diagonally, it made very bad crevices.

Article after article has been written in the trade journals upon the subjects of proper laying, nailing, finishing, etc., so do not believe it necessary at this time to dwell upon these subjects.

A first-class hardwood flooring job does not only mean the proper laying process, the right kind of nails, scraping, etc., but it means avoiding bad-appearing pieces from prominent places in the room. Very often when entering a room you see a bad-looking piece that is not covered by the rug, which should

have been placed in some obscure corner or closet. The most successful floor layers employ an assistant to pick out bad-looking strips and see that they are not laid in prominent places. A floor layer should have a thorough knowledge of the different kinds of hardwood flooring before entering into this field.

In oak flooring there are five grades—clear, sap clear, select, No. 1 common, and factory. Each grade has its uses.

It is not necessary that every floor layer be an expert. Any ordinary carpenter with good common sense, after reading booklets as published by the manufacturers of hardwood flooring, can enter upon this line of work and make a success of it.

Booklets have been printed at enormous expense by the hardwood manufacturers that can be had free for the asking. Some of their ads. appear in this magazine, especially the Oak Flooring Bureau, which publishes a beautiful and instructive booklet on all the features of laying and finishing that should be in the hands of every floor layer or carpenter.—ED.

## Builders Interested in Concrete and Mortar Mixers

JANUARY AD. PUZZLE CONTEST BRINGS OUT MANY INTERESTING LETTERS FROM OUR READERS, TELLING HOW THEY USE CONCRETE AND MORTAR MIXERS

THE January puzzle was a little out of the ordinary, because of an unintentional error through which one of the clippings was taken from an ad. that did not appear in the January number. In another instance, the advertiser changed his copy at the last minute before going to press, so that our clipping varied somewhat from what was actually used. Neither of these discrepancies seemed to

trouble Our Folks very much, however. They located these ads. just the same—which shows, so it seems to us, a rather remarkable familiarity with the ads. appearing regularly in the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER.

And as for concrete and mortar mixing, we now know about all there is to be known about it, at least from the point of view of contractors and builders.

### The Prize Winners in the Ad Puzzle Contest are the Following:

*First prize*, \$10.00 worth of goods selected from our ad pages:

D. C. MORRIS, Contractor and Builder, Emporia, Kans.

*Two second prizes*, each consisting of \$5.00 worth of goods selected from our ad. pages:

CLAUDE C. CONKLIN, Architect, Pachogue, N. Y.

HOWARD M. NICHOLAS, Builder and Broker, Hazelton, Pa.

*Ten third prizes*, each consisting of \$1.00 worth of goods selected from our ad. pages:

JOE UBBINK, General Contractor, Port Washington, Wis.

ANDREW E. DONOVAN, Constructing Department, 1st Field Artillery, Schofield Barracks, Territory of Hawaii.

ROBERT GREENE, Carpenter and Contractor, Glenwillard, Pa.

JOHN KRAUSE, Carpenter and Builder, Detroit, Mich.

W. C. BACK, Banker, Greenville, Mich.

ARTHUR F. SMITH, Harding, Mass.

H. C. LEE, Concrete and Carpenter Foreman, Amory, Miss.

I. H. RIDDICK, Instructor Manassas Industrial School, Manassas, Va.

WM. A. YEAGLE, Proprietor Yeagle Concrete Co., Clyde, Ohio.

EUGENE J. PICARD, General Contractor and Builder, North Platte, Neb.

### This Month, "Painting, Varnishing and Decorating" Contest

ON the next page you will find some more fun, that is if you are fond of reading interesting, worth-while advertisements. We have made up a puzzle composed of twenty-three clippings from ads appearing in this number of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER. Carefully go over all of our advertising pages. You will find this month one of the most extensive and interesting advertising sections ever presented in a building magazine. Our advertisers are trustworthy, reliable people, all of them. They want your friendship, and a share of your business. Look

over their advertising offers, and write for the catalogs, circulars and samples offered. When you have done this, you will find it easy to identify the clippings in the puzzle.

The subject to write about this month is highly important. Write a letter of not less than one hundred words on "Why the Carpenter and Builder should Concern Himself with Good Painting, Varnishing, and Decorating." We want to find out how much of this branch of the work Our Folks are interested in, and why.

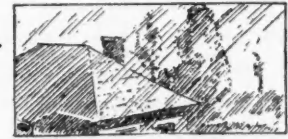


# MORE FUN AND PRIZES FOR ALL WHO READ OUR ADVERTISING PAGES

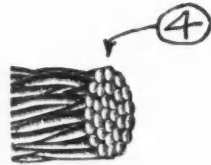
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## March Ad. Puzzle Prize Contest

Here are fragments of 23 advertisements appearing in this issue. Can you identify them? Some are old friends; some you will have to hunt a little to locate. Study our advertising pages this month; read every offer. Then list the 23 ads. these were clipped from. Be sure to give the names and addresses and the page numbers. Also write a brief straightforward letter of not less than 100 words, on this subject:

**"Why a Carpenter and Builder Should Concern Himself with Good Painting, Varnishing and Decorating"**

**We Will Award These Prizes**

**13 Prizes—\$30 in Prizes**

For the best letter (and correct Puzzle solution) \$10.00 worth of goods selected from our Ad. pages.

For the 2 next best letters (and correct Puzzle solution) \$5.00 worth of goods selected from our Ad. pages.

For the 10 next best letters (and correct Puzzle solution) \$1.00 worth of goods selected from our Ad. pages.

When sending in your Puzzle answer and letter, be sure to state the goods you select from our Ad. Pages, in case you win a prize; goods of ANY value may be selected, and prizes will apply either in whole or part payment of them.

**This Contest Closes Wednesday, April 15th.  
Prize winners will be announced in May issue.**

Address your letters to your friend, THE ADVERTISING EDITOR, "American Carpenter and Builder," Chicago.

# CORRESPONDENCE



## Questions Answered and Ideas Exchanged.

**Our Readers are Requested and Urged to Make Free Use of These Columns for the Discussion of all Questions of Interest to Carpenters and Builders**

### Favors Stricter Requirements

To the Editor: Adrian, Mo.  
I notice Mr. B. S. Graves' letter in the January issue of AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER and just wish I could shake hands with him on what he says about the licensing of contractors and builders who may superintend the work on even ordinary residences, barns, and, in fact, all classes of buildings.

I will say for myself and others here that I know that we are heartily in favor of just such a proposition.

Nothing is more disgusting to me, and a worse slam on our trade, than to see, anywhere you go, just any old clod-hopper jump up and take a saw and hatchet and take a job at a low figure and butcher it up any old way, just to get it done and get his money. There is a right and a wrong way to do everything, and I think if a man is not capable of doing things the right way he ought not to be allowed to butcher them up; but how are we going to remedy the fault unless there is some such a law passed?

Such men and work as that is one thing that keeps our wages down and makes it hard for a capable man to get what it is worth to do a job as it should be done.

As Mr. Graves says, most all other trades require a man to show his papers before he is permitted to practice his profession, so why not a carpenter?

I do not claim to be perfect or that I am capable of writing down just what the requirements of a carpenter should be; but there are plenty of men that can, and if they write them, so I can't measure up to the standard, I am willing to step down and let the capable man take my place, and I will work for him and be content with the wages I can earn.

Just one thing more, then I am through. I think if any carpenter will study the pages of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, and the Radford Cyclopaedia of Building Construction, he will quickly learn the right and wrong way to do things.

M. W. ROBERTS,  
Carpenter and Contractor.

### Wants to Raise the Roof

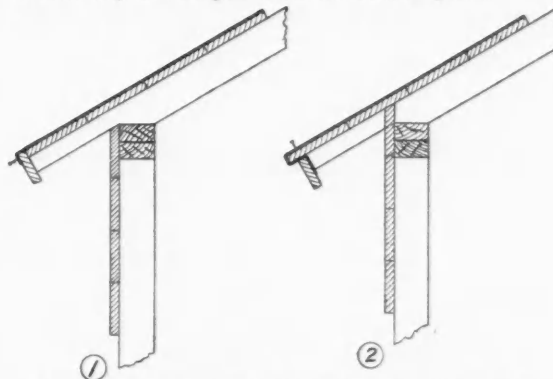
To the Editor: Karnas P. O., Manitoba.  
I wish some reader would give me sketches and particulars of the best way to raise a cottage roof. I want to raise it about 5 feet; and not having actually done a similar job myself I want to know the best way to go about it.

T. H. BRUNNEN,  
Contractor.

### Nailing Ready Roofing at Eaves

To the Editor: Kerkhoven, Minn.  
I am sending you a couple of drawings showing the way to put patent roofing on sheds and other buildings having a common barn cornice (or what I call a railroad cornice).

Fig. 1 shows how most carpenters do—just bend the roofing over the edge of the cornice and nail it to the fascia. Fig. 2 shows the way I have put it on for several years.



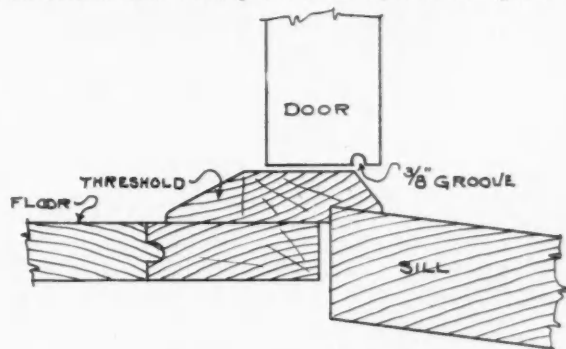
Ordinary and Improved Way to Eave Ready Roofing

I let my plancher board extend about 2 inches beyond the end of the rafter tails and then put on the roofing. After I get it all on I bend it around edge of plancher and then nail on the fascia, nailing through the roofing and into the rafter tails. Then I go around the edge of roof and nail through the roofing and plancher and into the top edge of fascia, using 6 d. nails and the tin caps usually furnished for roofing nails.

C. L. PERRIN,  
Carpenter and Cement Worker.

### Another Form of Threshold

To the Editor: Fulton, Ind.  
In reply to the inquiry of a better way to fix a threshold to an outside door to keep the rain out, am sending a sketch



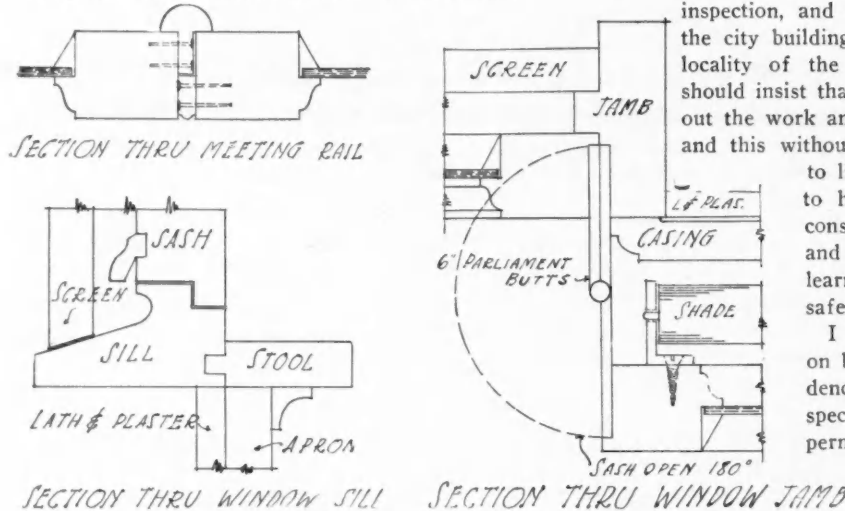
Detail of Rain-Proof Threshold

of what I find to give the most success, without leaving a chance to rot the threshold, which the groove in the threshold would do, also collect dirt and fill the holes.

MAURICE LOWMAN,  
Building Contractor.

**Storm Proof Inward Casements**

To the Editor: Baltimore, Md.  
 Will you kindly give me a full detail of a casement window frame for a country house that is out in the open country with no protection from wind and heavy rain storms? I have seen frames furnished for such houses with no good results and am now called on a job to give my opinion whether I can make these frames weather proof and stop the rain from coming in. The rain seems to beat in under the sash, run over the stool and then down the wall.



Details of Storm-Tight Inward Casements

I will give you a rough detail showing the construction of these frames at present, and hope you can make a suggestion that will help me out to render my opinion; also show them a detail of same. This house faces the Chesapeake Bay. They want this job guaranteed to keep the rain out.

WILLIAM H. BROWN.

Answer: Here are details that show approved practice for inward opening casements. Even in exposed locations these windows have been found to be storm tight.

We are sure you will find this method preferable to the scheme shown in your sketch. The triangular insert you suggest on the window sill would be sure to become broken, pull loose; and in the winter time the space between it and the sash would become choked with ice.

EDITOR.

**Licensing Builders**

To the Editor: Omaha, Neb.  
 I have noticed a couple of articles on the licensing of carpenters and builders. In my opinion this is entirely the wrong idea of the problem. The licensing of carpenters and builders would have a tendency to put many of them out of work and keep many from learning the trade. Everybody has to learn how to do work from experience, and if there is something in the way that prohibits them from even getting a chance to learn, when would men ever get to be proficient in their trade?

Again no kind of license would secure the people against a dishonest workman. The only security against a really dishonest workman is to stand over him with a club while he is doing the work. Very few of the bad cases of chimney construction, such as were alluded to in the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, occur through ignorance of building construction. It is more from pure "cussed" greediness like this. The carpenter may not want to take the time to properly frame headers around the chimney, and the bricklayer is too greedy to lose a few minutes' time for the carpenter to do the work right or to be called back to do it over, so he is criminally careless and lays the chimney up

through the woodwork, regardless of what the consequences may be in the future. Anyhow, it will not be discovered till long after he is away, and the chances are that if the building burns, the real cause will never be known.

I will tell you the man to license and to watch, if any, and this is the Building Inspector. This man should be a thoroughly competent man in all branches of the building trades, and should be compelled to inspect every building while in course of construction as often as it may be necessary. It should be made compulsory on his part to do this inspection, and when everything is not in compliance with the city building laws and ordinances which govern in the locality of the building under construction, the inspector should insist that the laws be complied with, even to tearing out the work and rebuilding it in compliance with the laws, and this without compromising. The inspector is the man to license, if any, and then insist that he attend to his duties. This would put a stop to bad construction and would give both the ignorant and criminally careless ones a grand chance to learn a valuable lesson in regard to proper and safe building construction.

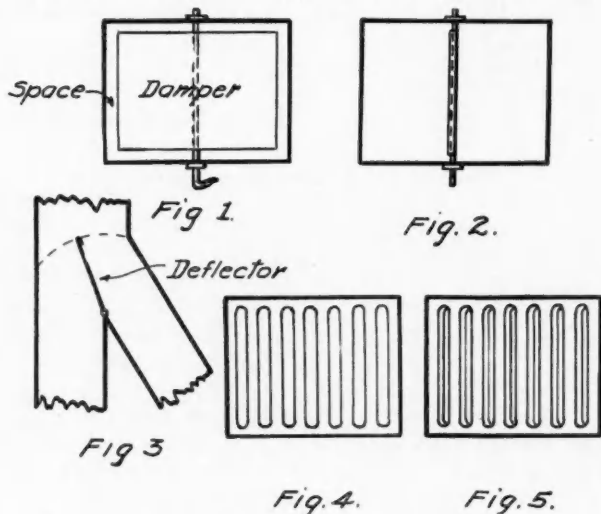
I know, from actual experience, from working on buildings year in and year out, that on residence work, the building inspector does not inspect one building out of ten. If the building permit is paid for, the chances are ten to one that the building inspector will never be seen on the job from start to finish. He is paid a fair salary, yet the biggest part of his work consists mainly in just drawing that salary. It is a mere matter of collecting the money for the permit with him.

Get after the building inspector, make him a real inspector, not just an inspector by name only. If it is thought necessary make him pass an examination as to his qualifications for the office and come across with the license; he draws a salary whereby he can afford it. He is the man who should be looked to for the safety of your buildings, if not then there is no need for such an official position, and no need of keeping him at the expense of others, particularly when he is no good.

I. P. HICKS,  
 Builder and Estimator.

**Volume Regulators in Ventilating Pipes**

To the Editor: Muscatine, Ia.  
 I have charge of a large heating plant on the same principle as your article on page 70 of the January issue. If there is a special kind of volume regulator for same I would like to



Arrangement of Volume Regulators in Ventilating Pipes



know what it is like. Is there anything different from a regular stove pipe damper? The pipes run from 6 to 16 inches.

J. F. BERRY,  
Carpenter, Contractor and Builder.

Answer: The volume dampers generally used in hot blast trunk line heating and ventilating systems (which is the type of apparatus referred to by our correspondent) consist of arrangements largely on the type of stove pipe dampers but not fitting tight around the edge. By turning these dampers partially or entirely across the ducts delivering too much air, sufficient resistance is produced to force the air into the ducts not handling enough. Fig. 1 shows a cross-section of a duct with one of these volume dampers turned completely across so as to offer the greatest resistance to the air passage; while Fig. 2 shows the same duct with the damper entirely open and offering the least resistance.

Another type of volume damper is known as a deflector. These are not as satisfactory to use as those previously mentioned since the only place they can be located is where the ducts branch from each other. This location *may be* perfectly accessible in some cases, but in many it is *not*, while the previously described volume dampers can be located at the most convenient point along the entire run of duct. Fig. 3 shows the deflector type of volume damper.

There is still a third way to control the volume of air and this is by means of a slide damper as shown in Figs. 4 and 5, Fig. 4 being the open position and Fig. 5 partially closed. Slide dampers are usually placed immediately back of the register faces, since the duct usually enlarges at the outlet sufficient to accommodate the slides. If installed at any other point, the area of the duct at the slide must be nearly doubled, since the slide—even when open—cuts off over 50 per cent of the duct area.

HAROLD L. ALT, M. E.

**Big Round Roof Barn**

To the Editor: Rock Creek, O.  
Although you have had several pictures of large barns, I have not seen any quite like one that I built last year. This picture of it was taken as we were putting up the rafters. The barn was built for the Scofield brothers, near Rock Creek, O., and is 40 feet wide, 80 feet long and 44 feet high. I placed timbers on level ground, about 5 feet apart; staid

them with boards and struck a perfect half circle and built the rafters on them out of boards 1 by 4 inches, four boards in thickness, making them 4 by 4 inches and 60 feet long.

V. B. WOODRUFF.

**Burning Garbage in Furnace**

To the Editor: Galesburg, Ill.  
Is there any harm done to furnace in residence by burning the garbage that is gathered only from the kitchen?

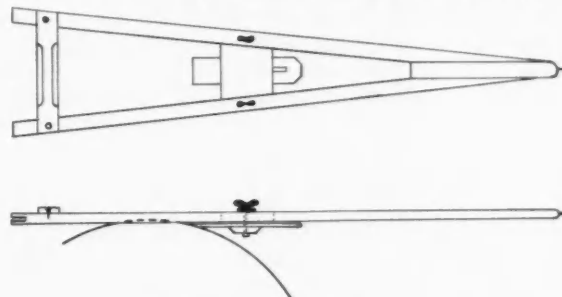
WM. H. HOPPS.

Answer: None that we know of. It's often done. If one has no garbage-burning water heater, it's the best way to dispose of winter garbage.

EDITOR.

**A Holder for Sharpening Tools**

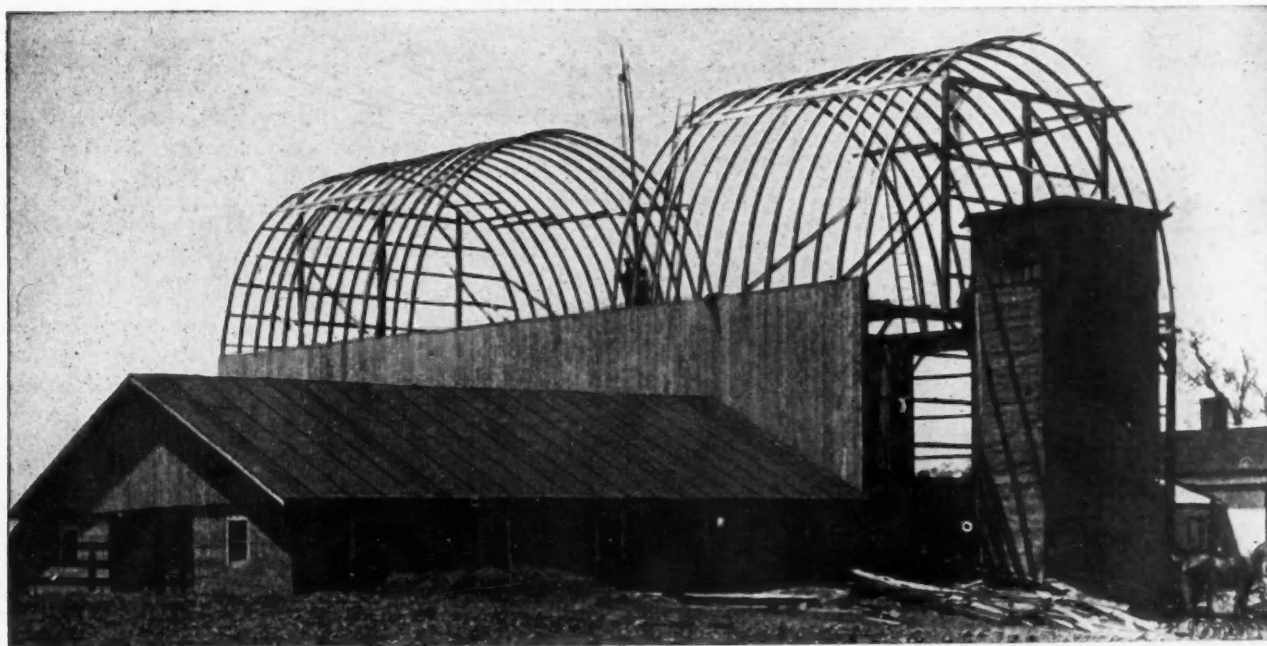
To the Editor: Pond Creek, Okla.  
Here is a helper I have been using for a good many years. Any one can make it in a few minutes from the scrap pile



TOOL GRINDER  
A Useful Tool for the Shop

and two stove bolts with wing nuts. I place the grind stone the proper distance from the wall, or post, to receive the point in end and hold it the proper slope with my left hand and turn the stone with my right hand. Can hold any kind of bit or chisel in holder. For drawing knife I have notches in end and side of hand hold and move the stone farther from the wall. This little helper enables one to turn his work up and look at it and see how he is progressing, without moving the point from the wall, thereby making a nice, even bevel, just as you want it.

D. B. ROSS,  
Contractor and Builder.



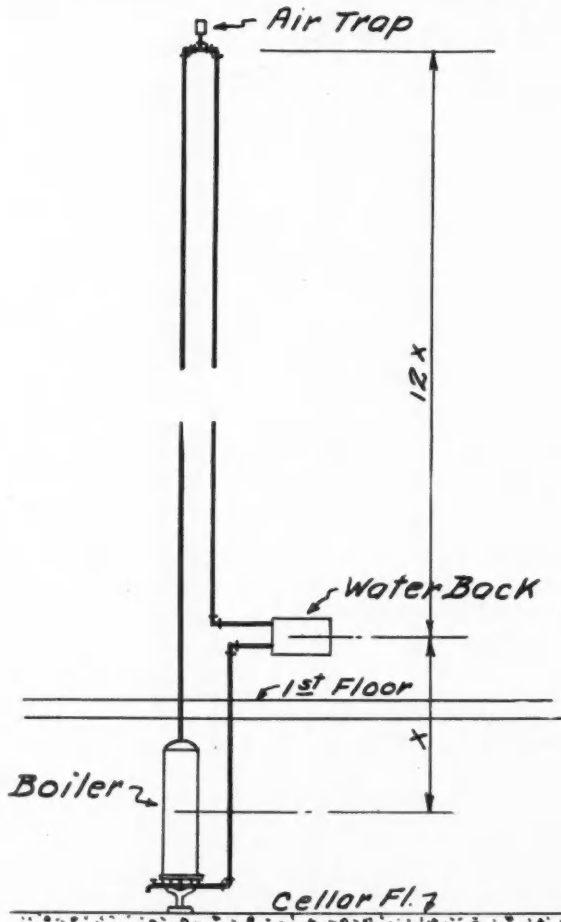
Curved Rafters Are 60 Feet Long. They Are Built Up on a Curve Out of 1x4's—Four Thicknesses. Barn Built by ] V. B. Woodruff, Near Rock Creek, Ohio.

**Arrange Some Other Way**

To the Editor: Salem, N. J.  
 What are the advantages and disadvantages of a hot water boiler being in cellar, when heated by the cook stove in kitchen?  
 HARRY J. MANGAN.

Answer: In regard to placing a hot water boiler in the cellar and trying to heat from a stove in the kitchen (assuming the kitchen is on the floor above) I unhesitatingly advise *not* to try this.

In order to get good circulation between a stove water back and a hot water storage tank or boiler, it is necessary to place the tank—or at least a portion of it—above the water back so that when the water is heated it may follow its natural tendency to rise and pass upward into the tank. If the tank is lower than the hot water back the heated water is already in the highest part of the system and *there it remains.*



The Only Way to Pipe for Tank Placed BELOW Water-Back; and Even This Arrangement of Hot Water Tank Will Cause Trouble

The continued application of heat through the hot water back will only turn this heated water to steam and possibly result in disaster without having the proper warming effect on the water in the tank below.

Only one method has ever been found by which such an installation can be made to work reasonably well and that is as shown in Fig. 1. It consists of carrying the hot water pipe from the water back *straight* up a sufficient height and then *back down* to the tank in order to make the difference in weight of these two columns of water sufficient to force the cold water up out of the tank and into the water back. This pipe, to successfully do the work, should be run up a distance equal to about twelve times the drop between the hot water back and the center of the tank below.

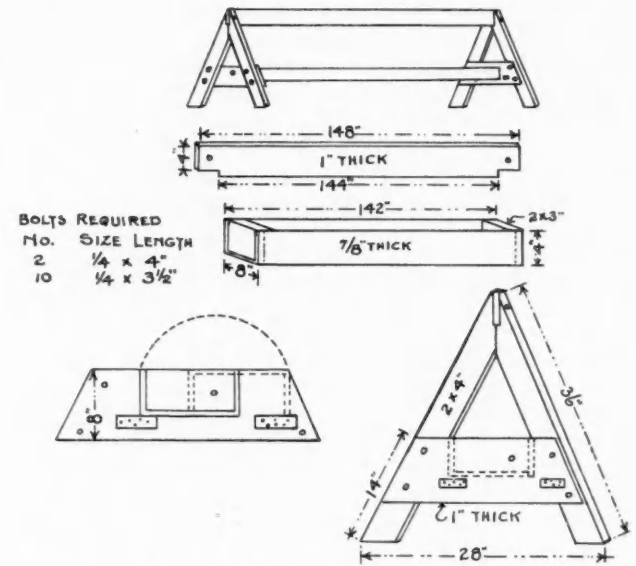
For instance, if the center of the hot water storage tank is

five feet below the water back the top of the loop should be about twelve times five, or fifty feet above the water back. Most buildings do not permit the following out of this rule. The top of the loop must also have an air chamber or fixture branch arranged to relieve the air which will collect from time to time at this point.  
 CECIL F. HERINGTON.



**A Handy Feed Trough**

To the Editor: Shauck, Ohio.  
 I am sending you something that will come in handy for an odd job in the winter. It is a feeding trough for sheep.



Details of Collapsible Sheep Trough

It is built of dressed, hard pine and so made that it can be taken apart when the feeding season is over. It can be stacked away in the dry in a very small space. After each feed they can be inverted, thereby preventing snow and dirt from getting in them. By removing four bolts, they can be taken apart and, if properly cared for, will last a long time.  
 C. W. COVER.



**Profits in Weather Strip Work**

To the Editor: Oxford, Neb.  
 I am interested in metallic weather strips and believe there is a good chance to work up quite a business putting them on, during fall and winter. Out here, where the winds blow, we find metallic window strips a fine think to keep out dust, as well as the cold wind.

Other carpenters have made a good thing handling weather strips, and I am expecting to do quite a bit of business here, as the neighborhood hasn't been worked over.

THOMAS W. McCANN.



**Frames Pictures for Winter Work**

To the Editor: Marble Hill, Mo.  
 From April on till November we have enough work to run us here; but then it shuts down. I get my tools all sharp for work and put them in my shop. Then I am ready to do all repair work—broken chairs, tables, and all kinds of old furniture; and it is not long till it begins to roll in. When I have no more to do in this line, I have a small stock of picture moulding and glass. I tell them to get their pictures framed while I have time, as I will be busy when spring comes.

I tell you, brother carpenter, you can take \$20 worth of moulding, \$3 worth of glass 16 by 20, and a 25c glass cutter, and make some good winter money and easy, and all by the fire.  
 E. O. SANDER.

**Thinks His Way Best**

To the Editor: Essexville, Mich.  
 Being an interested reader of your valuable paper, I noticed the two different articles on how to do work fast, by I. P. Hicks and Percy Peacock. While I do not claim that either of them is wrong, I do think I have an easier and quicker way, which I will try and explain.

First lay out treads and risers on stringer and then saw tread lines, sawing under at back of cut until saw stands at about 45 degrees to allow miter of riser. Then the above cuts having been made while stringer was lying on saw horses, put stringer in vise and commence at upper tread, which was cut clear across. Lay miter square on tread cut and from riser line miter across, saw down and remove first block, which will give chance to mark next, and so on down to bottom of stringer. As to the riser, cut on angle of 45 degrees, you will have no trouble if stringers are set up square.

GEO. E. ESSEX,

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**"Big Lift" in Missouri**

To the Editor: Amazonia, Mo.  
 Here is a heavy-timber frame barn, 40 by 80 by 16 feet, with 8-inch rock basement and shed 10 by 80 feet. The barn was built for Judge C. Yenni, Amazonia, Mo., about nine years ago.

Having the four sides framed and pinned together, all inside timber ready and the rafters cut, we called the neighbors for a "big lift." They all showed up and the raising began at 10 o'clock. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon (when the picture was taken) the frame was up and the boxing and rafters started. The same evening we had all the boxing on, the

rafters in place and part of the sheathing nailed. The building is covered with galvanized corrugated roofing. Notice the eight leaning posts, two to each side. For strength and stability of building, I think one of those equals a dozen of 4 foot braces.

This is one of many jobs of similar construction in north-western Missouri.  
ALEX. KURZ.

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**Customers Save Work for Him**

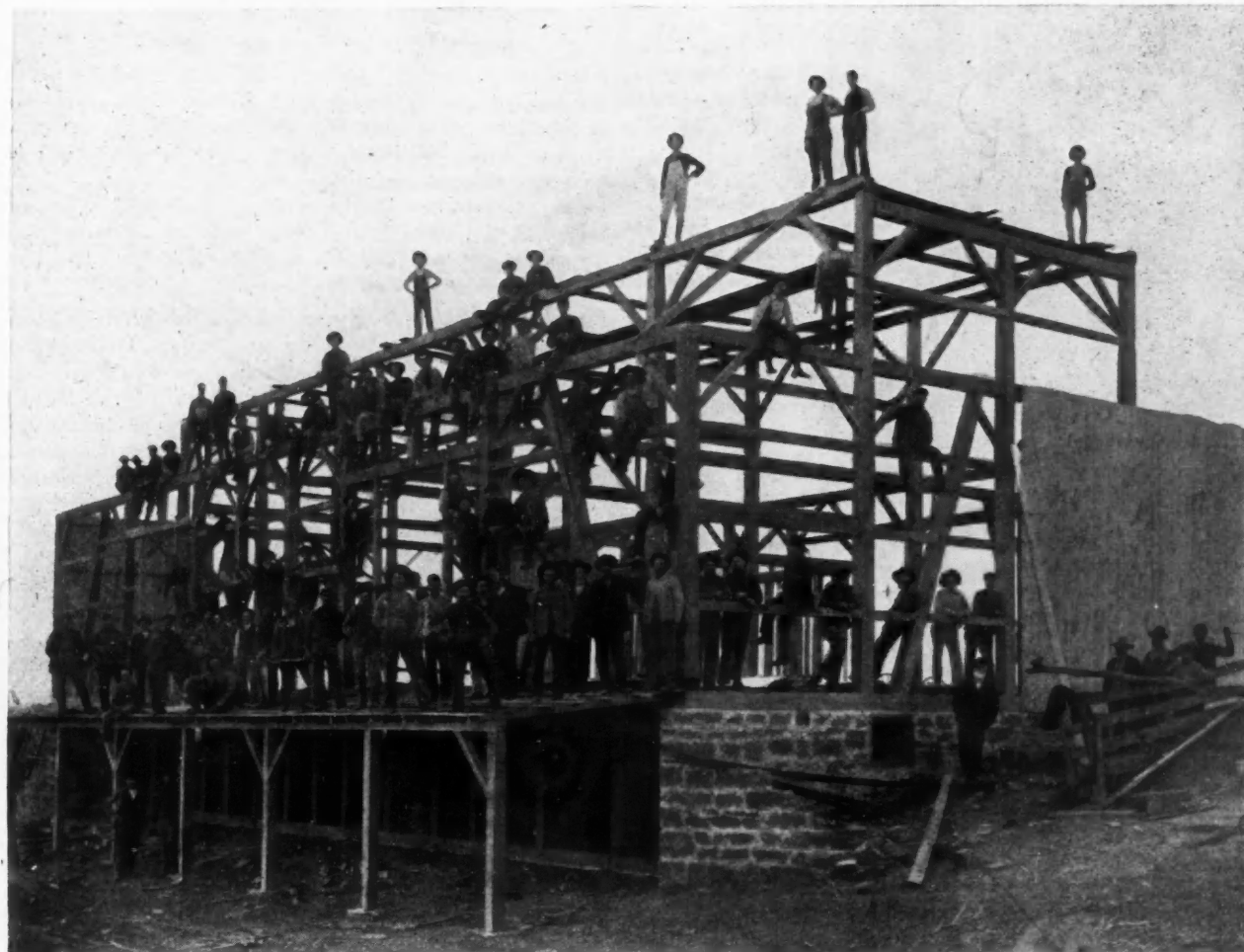
To the Editor: Dallas Center, Ia.  
 While there has been much said about how to keep the dollars coming in during the winter months, my trouble is how can I get time for a couple weeks' lay off during the winter.

Last winter, and also this winter, I had two houses to finish. I get them ready before cold weather, then we have a good job for winter; then several of my customers save their small jobs for winter for me, as I am so busy in the summer that they cannot get me to do it. I have customers who will save their work for me if they have to wait six months. Then if I would run shy of work we make window frames and screen frames for our houses the coming summer.

My worst trouble is to get competent men to work for me. Two different parties want me to tear out old stairways and put in new ones this winter and many such jobs. I have more work promised now than we will get done till the first of March, and then spring work will begin to pour in.

I use a power saw selected from your advertising pages and would not be without it; don't see how the other fellows get along without one. I am the only one in this part who has one.

EARL HAWBAKER,  
 Contractor and Builder.



The Big Social Event of the Year at Amazonia, Mo., was the "Big Lift" on Judge Yenni's New Heavy-Timber Barn



# TRADE NOTES AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

Through this department the editors aim to keep builders, contractors, carpenters and architects in touch with what their friends, the manufacturers, are doing for them in new or improved tools and machinery, methods and materials—pertaining to building. Items for these columns must have real news value; they are offered here as interesting information for our readers; they are not advertising. No matter will be printed here simply because some advertiser wishes it. Likewise, no matter will be excluded simply because the article described is not advertised in this magazine. Suggestions for the betterment of this department are requested of our readers.

### Eastman Kodak Co. Takes Fire Precaution

In order to complete its system of fire protection the Eastman Kodak Company has just fireproofed the door openings to elevator shafts and stairways of its new office and warehouse building, Rochester, N. Y., with Pyrono doors.

These doors, which are a part of the famous Pyrono products, make it possible to secure protection against the spread

of flames by means of doors, frames and partitions that measure up to the highest artistic standards.

In outward appearance a Pyrono door is like any other high-grade wood door, the surface being of any natural veneer.

The basis of Pyrono construction is a core of wood covered with an asbestos sheathing which is first cemented to the wood and afterwards driven into it by means of thousands of indentations.

Pyrono doors

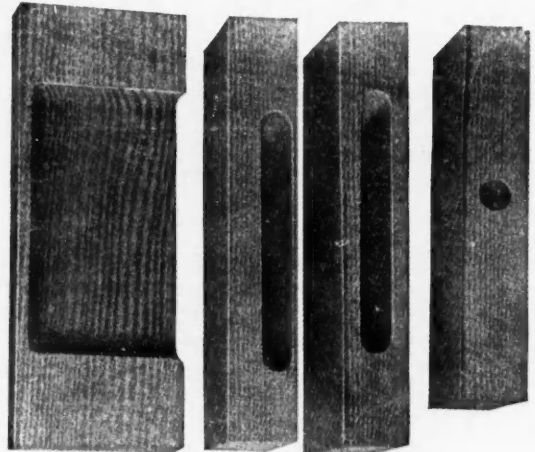


A Pyrono Door

are not only fireproof, but air-proof, the sheathing over the core, aided by a hardened adhesive under the veneer, serving to prevent the admission of moisture to the core wood, and thus stopping expansion and contraction under varying conditions of temperature. The H. W. Johns-Manville Company, New York, will be glad to furnish full information on the subject, to anyone interested.

### The Champion Mortiser

A machine that will cut mortises perfectly ought to form a part of the busy man's equipment. The "Champion" mortise, which we illustrate, is said to meet every demand for mortising. The special advantage is, that it can be accurately gauged as to desired depth and width of slot, cutting clean through hard, soft or knotty wood, through dowel pins or panel ends, with or against the grain with equal facility. When the desired depth is reached, the machine stops automatically. No other tool is necessary



Samples of Work of "Champion" Mortiser

where the "Champion" is used. The ball bearing is in the end of the spindle, relieving all friction. Automatic feed is operated with a cam, and when the bit is at the top of the slot it will feed 1/16 inch, and the same when at the bottom, continuing until 4 1/2 inches for full depth.

The manufacturers, the Calgon Machinery Company, Columbus, O., claim this machine will last a lifetime. All carpenters and builders will be well repaid to write these people for more data on this machine.

### New Lag Screw Type of Expansion Shield

A new adjustable type of lag screw shield, which permits of "taking up" or retightening fastenings which may have worked loose through vibration or excessive strain, is now offered and is illustrated here. Attention is directed to the wedge nut principle involved and to the fact that expansion may be increased and the fastening taken up or retightened at will, by a turn or two of the bolt head.

The practical man knows from experience that vibration and excessive strain are apt, in time, to ream out the hole and loosen the hold of an expansion bolt, and he will be quick to appreciate the advantages and the economical features of a lag shield which may be retightened. With U. S. adjustable shields, if the fastening works loose, a turn or two of the bolt head draws the wedge nut outward, the expansion increases or takes up and the fastening becomes as tight as ever. Our readers may secure samples and full particulars regarding sizes, prices, etc., governing lag screw and machine bolt types, upon application to the manufacturers, the United States Expansion Bolt Company, 48 Day St., New York City.



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Gentlemen: With reference to your favor of the 21st, will say I am more than pleased with my shipment of lumber and roofing. I find that by placing this order with your establishment I have saved \$50.00 on a barn bill. The grade is by far better than is handled by our local dealer and the price is so cheap in accordance to what one would have to pay a local dealer, that I am surprised when I see men losing money by patronizing a local dealer.  
Yours very truly,  
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Gordon-Van Tine Co.,  
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Gentlemen: I have been dealing for quite a while with you and have always found your material all of first quality. I used some doors here a few days ago that was bought from a local dealer and today I had to take them down and glue them up again, a very unpleasant job. The owner asked me what he had best do about it. I told him to buy of Gordon-Van Tine after this. None of your work has required that in the ten years I have been dealing with you, and a number of them have not been painted as they should have been.  
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**"American Saw Mills, Catalog No. 17"**

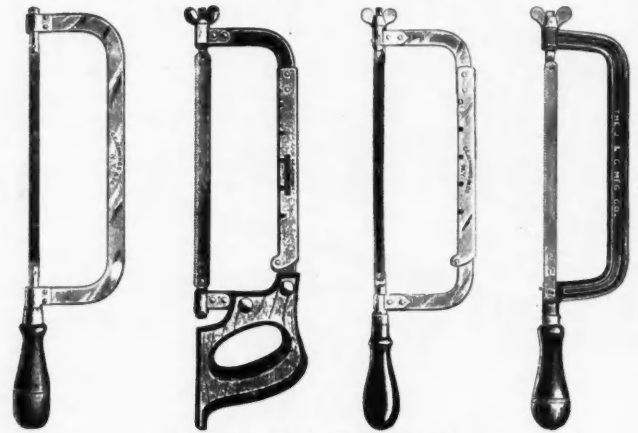


The above is the title of a new publication now being sent out by the American Saw Mill Machinery Company from its works at Hackettstown, N. J. A feature of the cover design, which is in three colors,

is the draped American flag, surmounted by the American eagle. For years this has been a characteristic mark of the catalogs of this company, the distribution of which, all over the world, has doubtless been effective in visualizing before foreign markets the progressiveness of American machinery manufacturers. The book is 6 by 9 inches in size, with 164 pages and cover. It lists with unusual care in detail the very complete line of "American" saw mills and saw-mill machinery, wood-working machinery, saws and accessories for the wood-working plant, contractors' wood-working equipment, and stationary and portable boilers and engines. In fact, the concern contemplating the erection of any plant for working wood for any purpose need not go beyond the pages of this catalog to find its equipment. The new catalog closes with several pages of the kind of information a practical man needs on installing and running saw mills, the proper speed for saws of various sizes, the care of saws, etc. Better care for its trade, the company maintains offices and warehouses at Savannah, New Orleans, Chicago and Seattle.

**Extension and Solid Hack-Saw Frames**

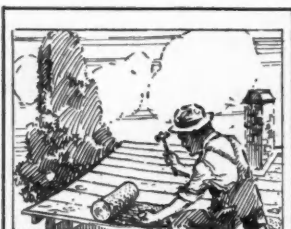
C. E. Jennings & Co. have added several new tools to their line of Arrowhead hack-saw frame outfits. One of their new models is No. 175½. The frame of this is nickel plated and is adjustable to take saw blades from 8 to 12 inches long. The handle is of the improved type, which gives the user a more direct purchase. It works with more speed



Four New Arrowhead Hack-Saw Frames

and has less chance of breaking the blades than ordinary frames. The handle is made of wood and is adjustable.

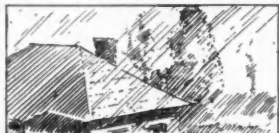
The C. E. Jennings line is very extensive, including all of the best of mechanics' tools. It is an inspiration to look over one of their catalogs. Many new and special tools are included that old friends of the Arrowhead tools will be interested to investigate at this time. A line to C. E. Jennings & Co., 71-73 Murray St., New York City, will bring full particulars.



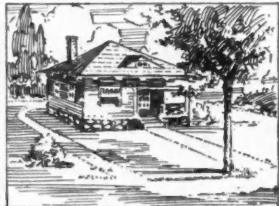
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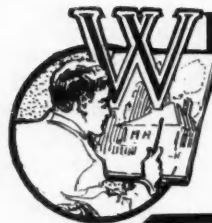
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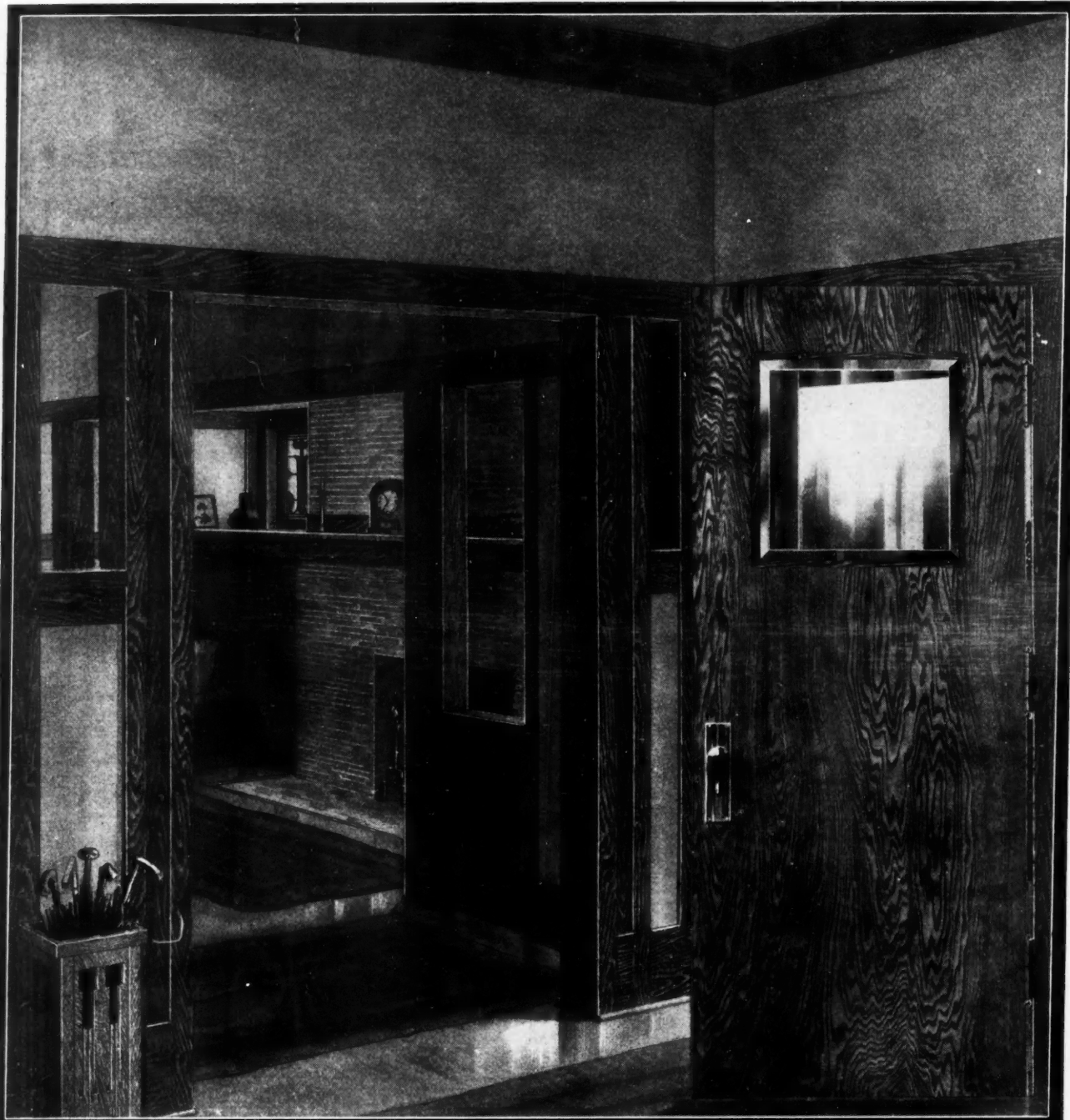
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**New "Giant" Asphalt Shingle**

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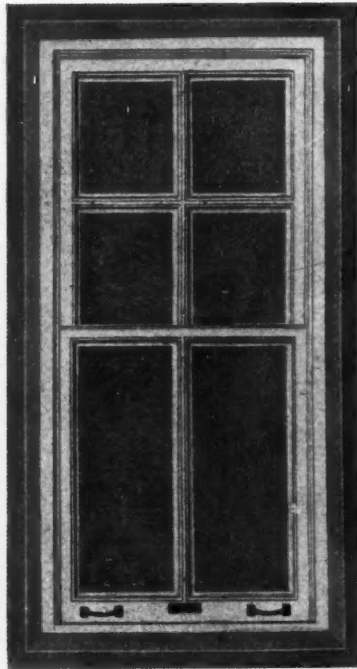
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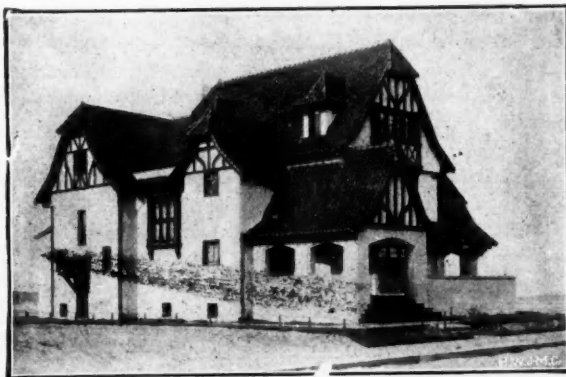
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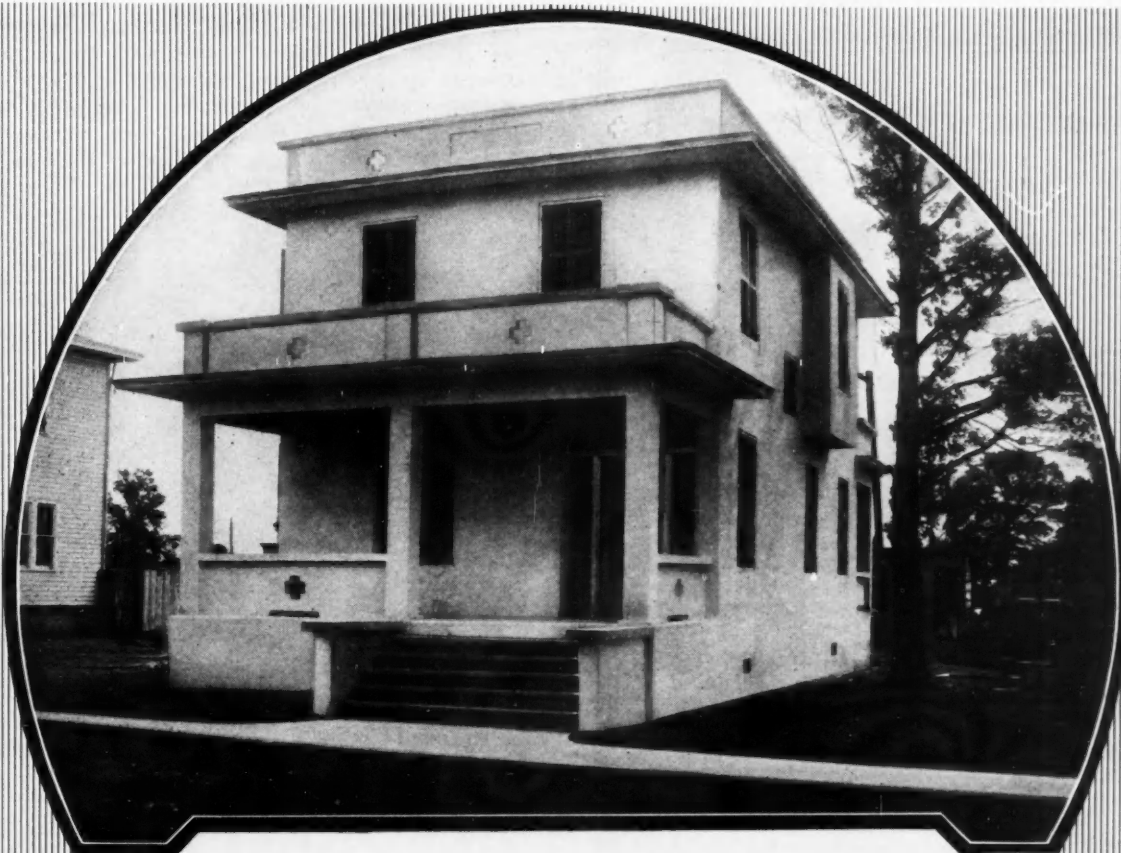


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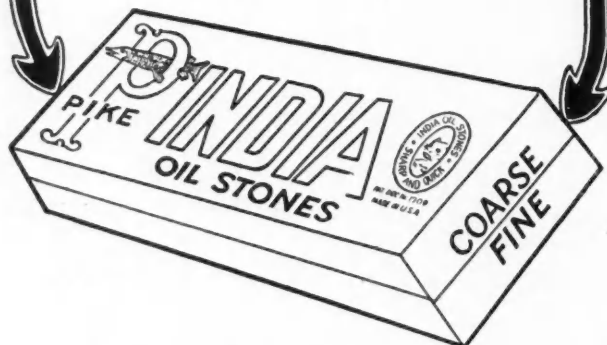
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### Atkins Pioneers Hold Annual Banquet

On January 31 the Atkins Pioneers held their fifth annual banquet at the Spencer House, Indianapolis. This is a rather unique organization, the membership being made up from employes of E. C. Atkins & Co., the "silver steel saw" people, who have been with the company for over 20 years.

These annual banquets are always gala nights with the Atkins Company, full of good fellowship and hearty fraternal spirit.

Looking over the list of members we see that the Dean of the corps, John H. Wilds, has been with the Atkins Company 49 years. Three members have from 36 to 40 years to their credit. The service of twenty-one members extends over a period of from 31 to 35 years. Thirty-seven members have been with the company from 26 to 30 years. Forty-six members have seen from 21 to 25 years of service. Six new members, men who have this year completed their 20 year period, were voted in at this meeting. The Pioneers now number 117.

The following poem appears on the program and menu card this year:

#### PIONEERS.

(Written for the Atkins Pioneers, January, 1914)

We've gathered here tonight, boys,  
To sing our songs of cheer  
And talk of all the good things  
That have blessed us through the year—  
The year that's past and gone, boys,  
Which makes us pause to think  
That each day we're getting nearer,  
Yes, nearer to the brink  
Where we shall pass beyond, boys,  
To that other, unknown, bourne  
From which the fates decree  
No traveler can return.  
So while we all rejoice, boys,  
In the pleasures of tonight,  
And clasp each others hands with  
A grasp that's true and right,  
Let's not forget to stop, boys,  
For a moment midst our cheer  
And for the boys who've left us  
Shed an earnest, heartfelt tear.  
And let us bow our heads, boys,  
In a silent prayer of love  
For those we miss so sadly  
As they look down from above.  
They are resting from their work, boys,  
Of the twenty or more years  
That they journeyed on with us,  
And they still are PIONEERS.



### Miller with Simonds Mfg. Co.

Mr. William Miller has discontinued his connection as secretary of the firm of Henry Disston & Sons, of Philadelphia, after a service of thirty-seven years with that company, and on Feb. 1st associated himself with the Simonds Manufacturing Company, Fitchburg, Mass., and Chicago, Ill.

Mr. Miller is one of the most experienced and efficient men in the saw, knife and file-making business, and probably no one man is any better known and more favorably thought of among hardware men and saw millmen throughout the United States and Canada. He has been successful throughout his many years in the saw-making industry and he brings to the Simonds Manufacturing Company his good will, energy, enthusiasm, and a conscientious desire to see that the customers of this company are furnished always with goods of the highest quality. He has already actively taken up his new work at the executive offices of the Simonds Company in Fitchburg, Mass.





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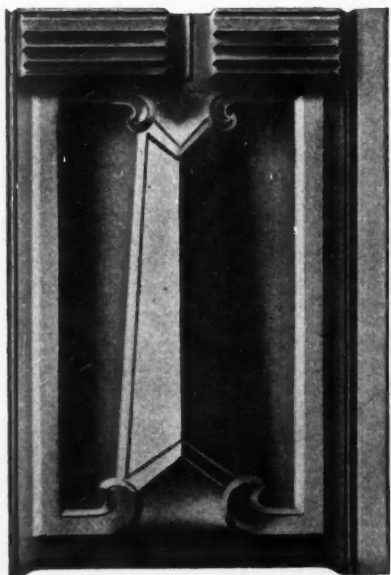
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### Tiffin Art Metal Shingles



A line of well designed, very heavily embossed metal shingles is being offered contractors and builders by the Tiffin Art Metal Co., Tiffin, Ohio. The illustration shows one of their popular patterns. These shingles make a very striking appearance on the roof; a sheet metal shingle roof of character. Such a roof is fire resisting and durable. Builders will find the illustrated catalog given by this company both instructive and interesting. Copies will be sent to our readers on request.

### Electric Floor Surfacing Machine

The automatic, ball-bearing electric floor-surfacing machine, manufactured by Wayvell Chappell & Co., 4847 E. Ravenswood Park, Chicago, Ill., will rapidly refinish old floors, removing varnish, paint, etc., take off the wood quickly of new floors and sandpaper a finish that will stand inspection against a sunlight reflection after varnishing. Each machine is put to this test on maple flooring before shipping.

The machine is solidly constructed and of ample weight for

both rapid and high-grade work. It is provided with a readily interchangeable motor mounted above the roller and with a pair of large and powerful dust collector fans mounted close behind the roller, making a very compact, strong and wieldable machine.

A most valuable feature is the heavy steel ball bearings on both the roller and the shaft, on which are mounted the dust-collector fans. Together with the separate chain drive, the ball bearings help secure the smooth-running roller at a high speed, and by lessening friction save power.

The arms are heavy to hold the roller firmly; are independently yielding to allow the roller to adjust itself to the unevenness of the surface as it advances over the floor, or to take up any sudden jar on the machine, and are adjustable to level the roller to the floor or to lower either end to surface into any hollows in the floor.

The brake-gauge, which is instantly locked in position by the finger lever on the handle, holds the roller in tilted position against the floor; gauges the depth of cut for steady and uniform work, and brakes the forward progress of the machine (which is self-propelling when in operation) making continuous work easy. The moment the brake-gauge is unlocked the weight of the motor raises the roller from the floor, stopping the work without having to shut off the power. The brake-gauge may also be instantly caught up from the floor when not in use, or when wielding machine about.

The machine surfaces to within about 3 inches of the wall without the edge roller, and with it, right up to the baseboard. Being narrower, the edge roller cuts down high ridges quicker or reaches down into floor hollows, also being slightly larger in diameter when in use, the main roller does not touch the floor.

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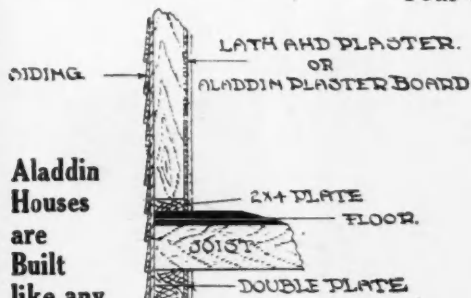
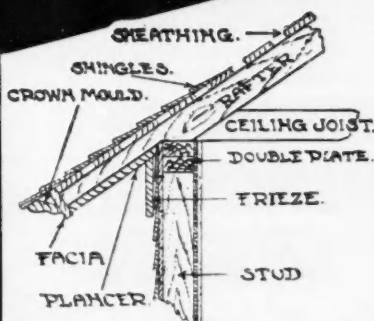
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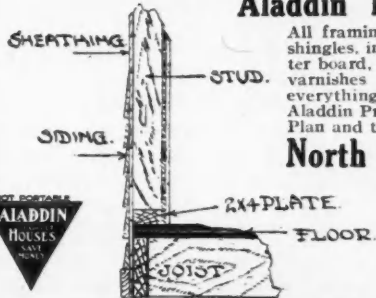
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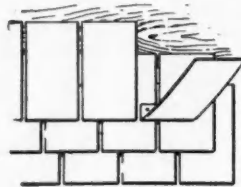


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As machine is shipped ready for work when uncrated, any operator, by following the instructions provided, can become familiar with it in an hour or so and get looked-for results.



### Nicholls Expansion-Fit Take-Down Square

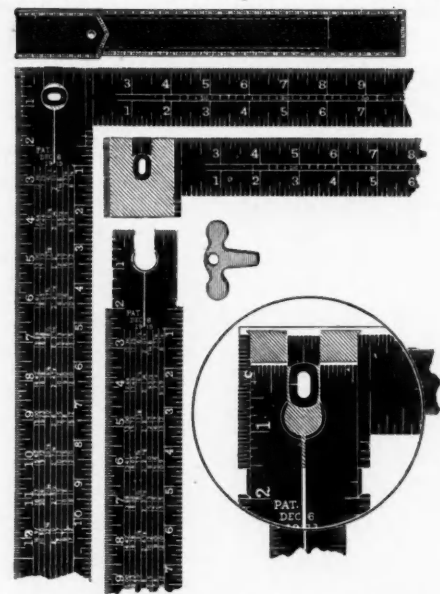
These squares are so constructed as to assure accuracy, and at the same time take up the wear which comes in taking squares apart and putting them together. They are constructed with bearings accurately machined, so as to bring the square absolutely true when the cam is turned so as to expand the end of body in milled portion of tongue.

These squares are hand-fitted, thus making a perfect joint, especially taking this in connection with the expansion which comes when cam is turned. These squares will last indefinitely.

As it has been tested out that the joint could wear 1/32nd in taking square apart and putting it together and still the cam would expand the end of body and take up the wear, and square would still be rigid and solid at joint.

You will note that the tongue is not cut half into where it joins onto body. Also by having body slip into tongue produces strength when square is thrown over joist, or on bench.

The manufacturers of these squares have had considerable



Nicholls Expansion-Fit Take-Down Steel Square

experience along the line of manufacturing take down squares. They have realized the fact that a key is very easily lost, and for this purpose they have inserted an oblong hole in cam; this enables the square to be taken apart or put together by using screw driver, nail, end of file, or any blunt instrument usually carried by the carpenter.

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We have just been looking over two of the books issued by the service department of the National Lead Company. The first is "Painting—Protective and Decorative," and the second, "The Dutch Boy Painter Stencil Book." The title page of the first states that it is "an attempt to help the houseowner solve frequent and vexing problems." *Attempt* is very modest! A stiff covered book of 48 pages, on the very best enameled paper, illustrated in colors, the house designs all worked out in the best style and painted attractively—all shown in this book in their true colors. Certainly that is quite an "attempt."

Some of the chapter headings will give an idea of the practical and valuable contents: What Paint Is, Chapter I; What Paint Does, Chapter II; What Paint Costs, Chapter III; How to Paint, Chapter IV; Choosing the Exterior Color Scheme, Chapter V; Planning the Grounds, Chapter

VI; Decorating the Interior of the Home, Chapter VII; Stenciling, Chapter VIII; Tints in Paint, Chapter IX.

"The Dutch Boy Painter Stencil Book" illustrates a wide selection of stencil patterns in black and white, and also shows these stencils applied to rooms of a house, showing how they look in colors.

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### Improved Measuring Tapes

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The Lufkin Rule Company (factories at Saginaw, Mich.) announce that they have now added these improvements to their general line of steel tapes and without advance in price.

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"Rival" and "Rival Junior" steel tapes have nickel-plated steel cases as before, but the edge or case band is knurled to afford a good, firm hand-hold. The cases of these tapes are now also equipped with a positive action winding handle opener, same as the "Challenge" and "Challenge Junior" described above.

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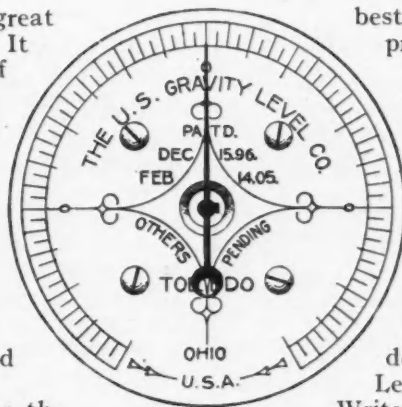


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## THEIR LETTER

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Memphis, Jan. 15th, 1914.

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Gentlemen:—We propose building bungalow, enclosed herewith of which is picture, which we have taken from your booklet, called "Paint Beautiful"; this bungalow being No. 12-N.

We build a good many bungalows throughout the year, and we do not know but what you might send us pictures of the two sides of this bungalow, which would be of assistance to us.

We use a considerable quantity of your white lead throughout the year, as for a long time we have endeavored to get a trim which would show pure white with two-coat work, and we find we can get a satisfactory white in two-coat trim work with your products. We have presumed that this was because of the incorporation of zinc in it.

Yours very truly,

W. A. BICKFORD & CO.

## OUR REPLY

CARTER WHITE LEAD CO

Chicago, Jan. 20th, 1914.

W. A. BICKFORD & Co.,  
Memphis, Tenn.

Gentlemen:—Replying to your favor of January 15th, the photograph enclosed is of a California bungalow designed by Brown Bros., architects, Cedar Rapids, Ia. We obtained the photograph several years ago from a Los Angeles photographer and we have no other view of it than the one you had. We think you can get a set of plans from Brown Bros. for about \$10.00, and if so, that would probably be the best thing for you to do.

Under separate cover we are mailing you one of our new "Paint Beautiful" portfolios. Perhaps you will get some suggestions from this. These are all made from photographs of actual houses and are selected with a view of getting the widest possible range of style. And the color schemes shown were all selected with reference to the style of house on which each is used.

We are glad to know that you have been having good success in the use of Carter White Lead. You are in error, however, about its containing any zinc. You are not alone in this impression, as a good many people think it is impossible to make white lead as white as CARTER without putting something in it to make it white. The whiteness of Carter is due entirely to the Carter process of manufacture, which excludes everything that can discolor it and effects a perfect corrosion of the metallic lead into pure white lead. If you will examine a keg of Carter you will find a guarantee of purity on the head and a statement on the side of the keg that it contains nothing but pure white lead and linseed oil.

If we can be of service to you in any other way in connection with your paint problems, we are very much at your service.

Very truly yours,

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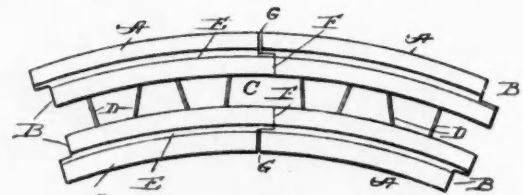
West Pullman Station A  
CHICAGO, ILL.

## A Double-Wall Cement Block Silo

When we find a building proposition that has been developed by a practical contractor and builder, we usually consider we have found something worth while. J. J. Coyne, contractor and builder, of Fond du Lac, Wis. (who is, by the way, one of Our Big Family, having been for a number of years an enthusiastic subscriber to the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER), has developed a very simple, yet ingenious, cement block machine. This machine makes both hollow-wall building blocks and silo blocks.

Brother Coyne had his machine and blocks on exhibition at the Chicago Cement Show, just closed; and his proposition proved to be one of the most interesting at the show for the majority of carpenters and builders.

The principle upon which the silo blocks are built, is illustrated herewith. The sketch shows a cross-section of two blocks. An inner and an outer wall (A) of concrete are held together by strong, galvanized iron tie rods (D). The end of the blocks are dovetailed so that they lay up with an inter-



Sectional View of Perfect Cement Block

locking joint in the wall. Grooves are moulded in at E so that steel reinforcing can be laid in around the entire circle of the silo to act as silo hoops. These cement block silos are getting to be very popular throughout Wisconsin. Contractor Coyne has put up a good many in the course of his own building work. They make a strong, frost-proof silo; and as the blocks are easily made and easily laid, it is a durable silo that any farmer can afford. All those interested should write to J. J. Coyne, Fond du Lac, Wis., for information concerning his machine.



## Soft Wood Trimming

Using Arkansas soft pine for interior trim and woodwork, home owners can have any of the preferred effects which thousands have thought were possible only with the more expensive hardwoods. Generally, hardwood is not finished in natural color, but is given a coat of filler and is colored to suit the idea of the owner or the decorator or the architect. Contractors who are aware that the same effect may be secured by using Arkansas soft pine are turning their knowledge to profit; they are giving their customers big value for the money they invest, and incidentally are making more money for themselves by persistently advocating the use of this superb trim wood.

The use of Arkansas soft pine by the progressive contractor is not limited to the interior of the structure. This wood makes an ideal siding, the absence of pitch and resin insuring a satisfactory job of painting. It is growing in favor for porch work, for siding, exterior trim and like high-class uses. The lower grades make excellent framing and rough stock for sheathing. They are much easier to cut to shape desired, easy to nail and the ordinary workman is said to do more work when furnished with this wood.

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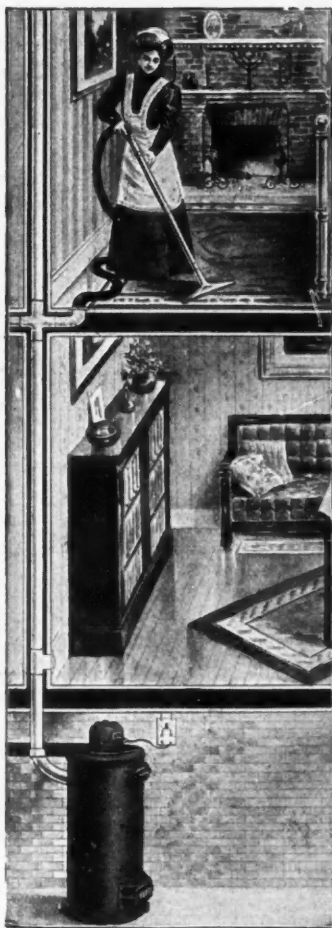
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### Made Good on the Wager

There are dozens of good stories connected with the immense building project now under way at San Francisco, the Panama-Pacific Exposition buildings. One of the best so far centers around E. T. Thornton, California representative of the Blystone Manufacturing Company. He pulled off a stunt for the plastering contractor of the Palace of Machinery that astonished the skeptical ones.

There are some pretty big buildings going up on the fair grounds. We pictured some three square miles of them in the February number. The Palace of Machinery is the biggest. In fact, it is the largest wooden frame structure in the world. As you know, exposition buildings, being generally temporary structures, are built mostly of wood and plaster. The plastering is the biggest part of the work and

power mixer, offered to furnish the machine for five days' work; and if he couldn't show where it had actually saved \$25.00 per day, he would pack his little grip and get out; but if he could show that amount saved, the contractor was to buy the machine.

This looked good to the contractor, so Thornton was told to go ahead. They insisted, however, that he bring two machines, as every one was sure two would be needed. Five men were assigned to each machine and real business started at once.

After the first day two men were released from each machine, as three could tend it easily, and before the five days were up it was evident that there was one too many machines on the job. One could supply all the mixed plaster the men could use. There was a gang of plasterers at work



E. T. Thornton (in the Black Coat) and His Blystone Batch Mixer which Mixed all the Plaster for this Huge Fair Building

you can imagine that on this Palace of Machinery, which has an area of more than five acres and is ninety-six feet high, there was quite some plastering to be done.

Thornton, whose office is at 549 Mission St., had been selling Blystone Batch Mixers to contractors and builders for mixing concrete. He is an incurable Blystone enthusiast, believes the Blystone will mix anything mixable, and some things that aren't. When it comes to hard wall plaster; pshaw! the Blystone eats it up! Of course, he had seen the machine perform a good many times as a mortar mixer and knew pretty well that he would be backing a sure thing, but here is the story:

The plastering contractor on the Palace of Machinery job was all ready to begin and his outfit of mortar boxes and mixing hoes, and laborers to work them, was enough to give the estimator a nervous chill. Mr. Thornton came along and offered to mix all of the plaster with a single Blystone

of from twenty to thirty, and they were using up about 400 sacks of hard wall a day.

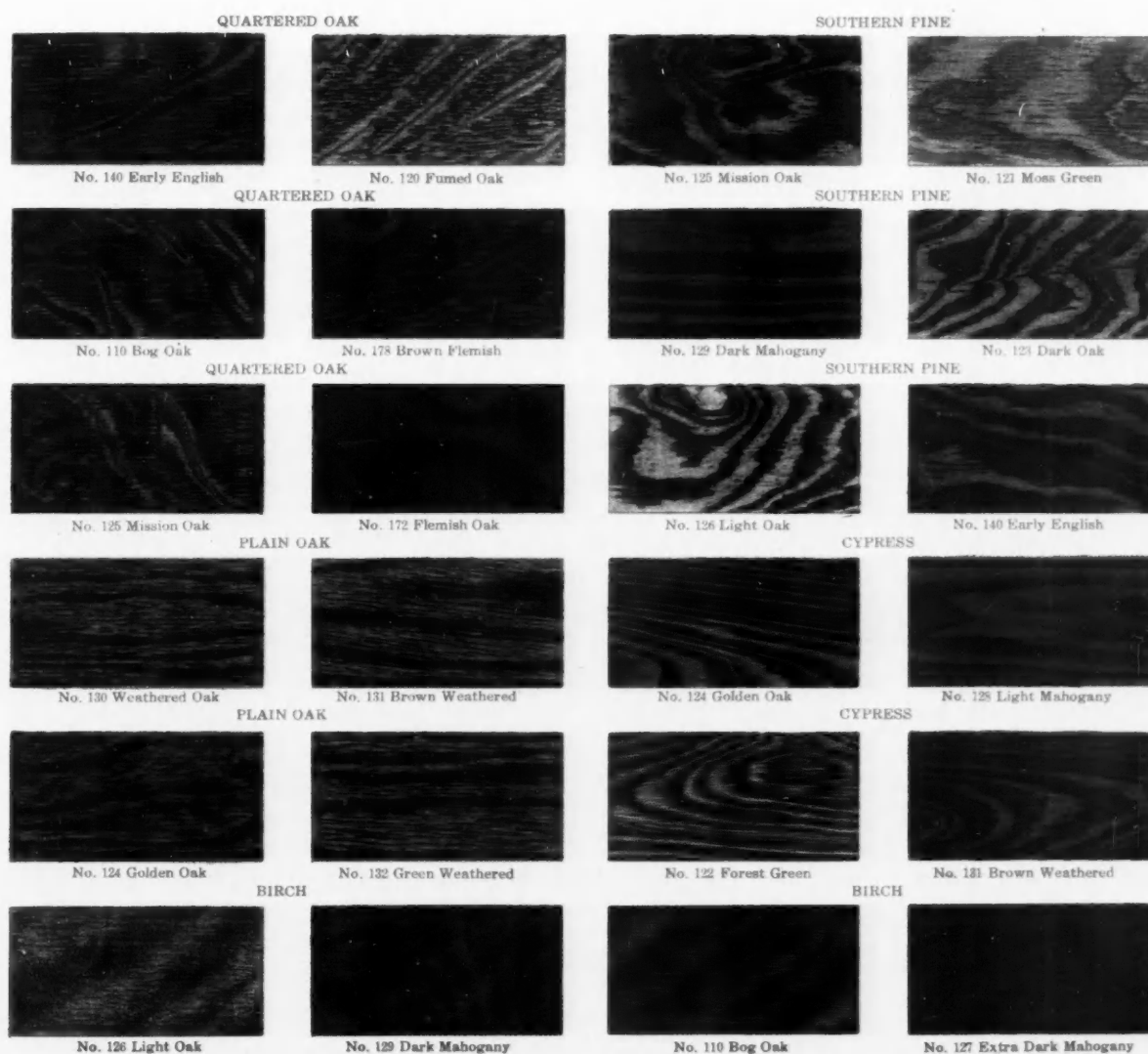
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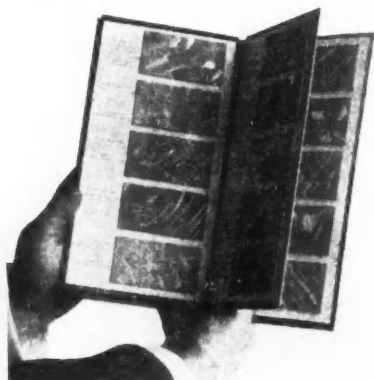
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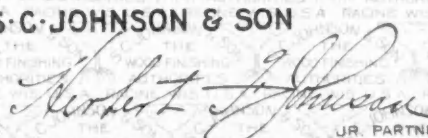
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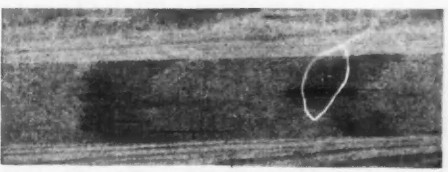
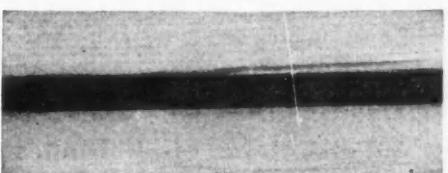
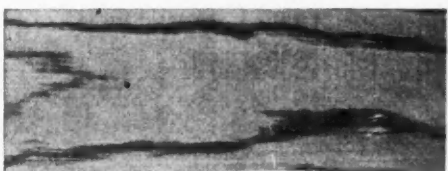
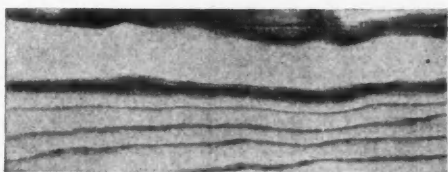
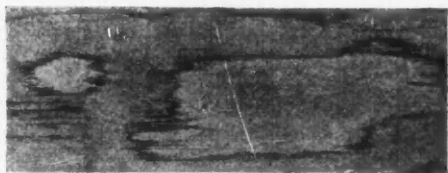


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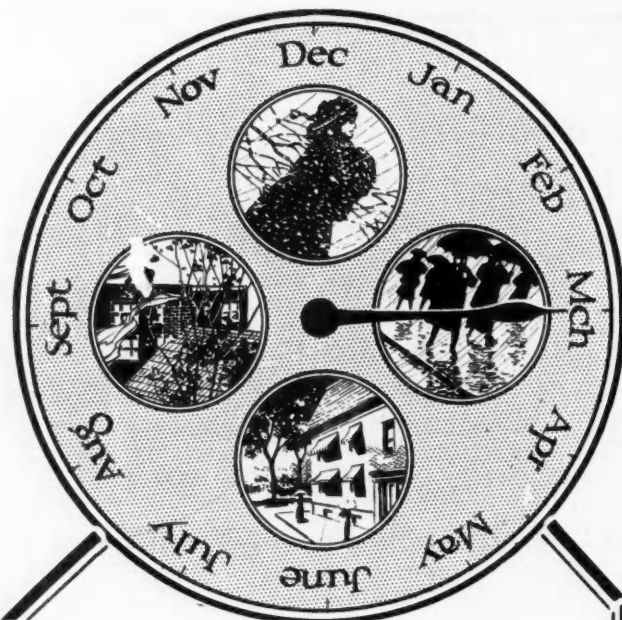
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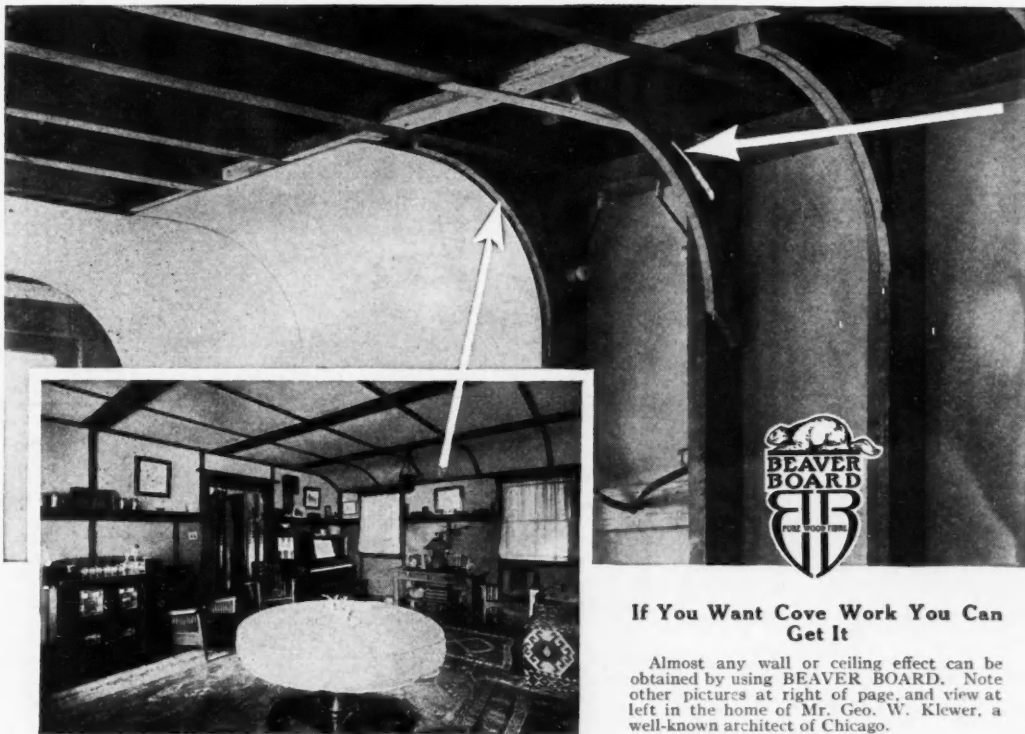
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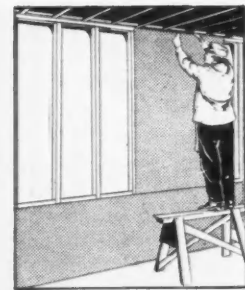
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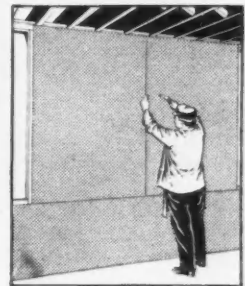
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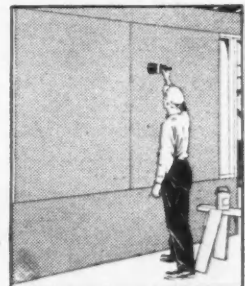
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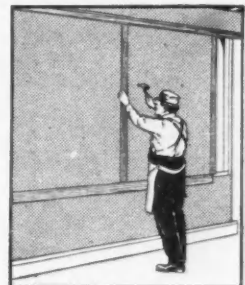
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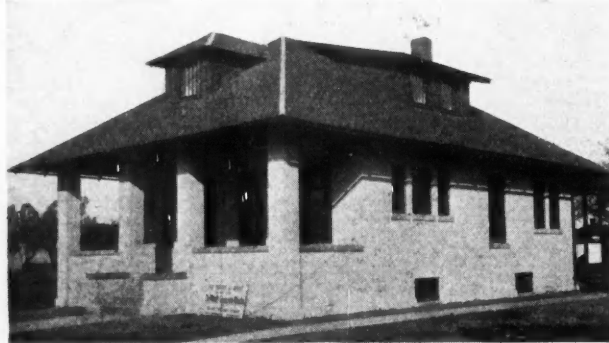
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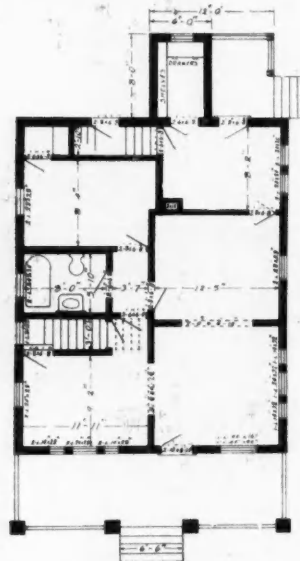
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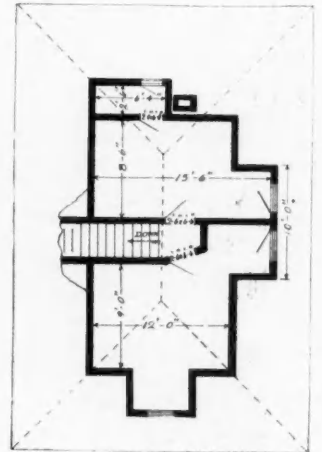
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First Floor Plan



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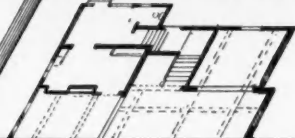
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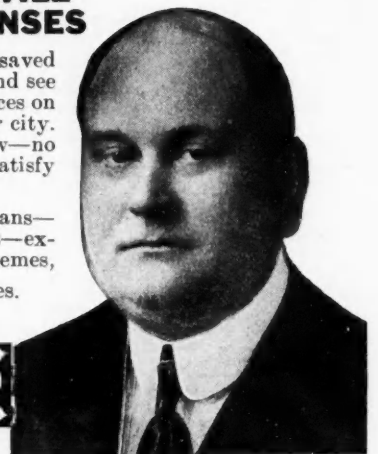
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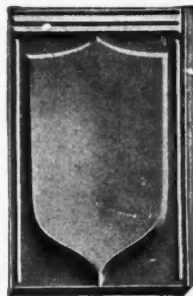
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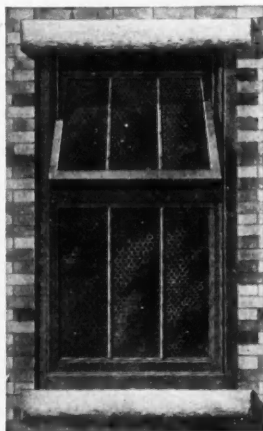


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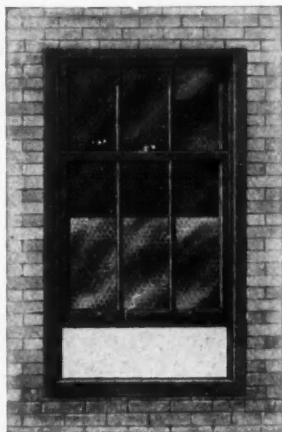
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The typewriter has become to be an absolute necessity in writing business letters. Its use is essential now, to have your letters gain respect and get the proper attention. No business man is going to give the right kind of consideration to a poorly written long-hand letter. Even though, perhaps, you have only an occasional letter, it is better to have it typewritten. In this busy, bustling age, when men are under the strain of modern business, they haven't got the time nor inclination, when confronted in the morning with a big stack of mail, to stop and study out some illegible hand-written letter. In this hurrying hour, we seem to have lost our ability to write in the steady flowing, legible manner of years past, and our writing, in keeping with our habits, has become choppy and erratic. This careless style is responsible for a great many mistakes, some of them perhaps amounting to many times the price of a typewriter.

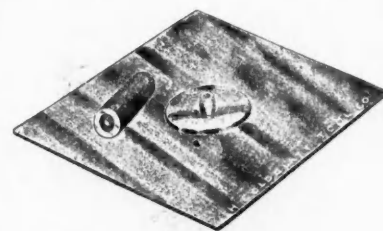
This is a day when we have got to aim right at the bull's eye and do it quickly. When a salesman calls on a man now, he must cut out the frills, get right to the point and get it over. The same is true with a letter. When a man is wading through his morning's mail he hasn't got any time to decipher long-hand hieroglyphics. The result is, either a mistake or the letter will fall short of the mark. A person who writes a business letter with any old pen or lead pencil doesn't want to be disappointed if he doesn't get the attention. If he uses a typewriter, however, his letters will carry just as much weight as the biggest man in the business. They will be received and read in the right attitude of mind, and his message will "sink home" and have an effect he could never create by scrawling it out by hand.

Most people now realize that business correspondence should be typewritten, but a great many of them feel that to pay \$100.00 for a typewriter is away beyond their means, although they appreciate that their letters lack dignity without being written in this way. There is a great big demand today for a thoroughly good, reliable typewriter at a price that a man having only a very few letters can afford to pay. This demand has been met by Harry A. Smith, who is offering in this issue, a high-grade, efficient typewriter at an astonishingly low price, and on liberal terms. He furnishes with each machine, full detailed instructions, so that persons with absolutely no experience, can operate and do perfect work.



### Plasterers' Aluminum Hawks

The aluminum hawk is a tool that is getting to be very popular with plasterers. They find it to be superior to wooden hawks in a good many ways. It is lighter, stronger and, in the long run, cheaper. During the past two years the Goldblatt Tool Company, of Kansas City, Mo., have featured the aluminum hawk as part of their regular line of mechanics' tools.



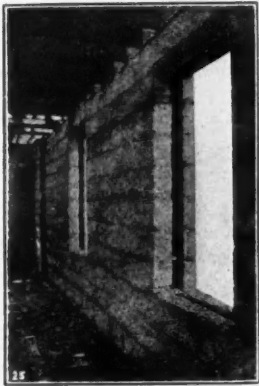
Hawk Made of Aluminum

Thousands of have been sold, which plainly indicates the fact that plasterers are now using them in preference to wood hawks. They are made of hard cold-rolled aluminum 3/32 inches thick. The handles are detachable with a 4-inch flange, carrying a 7/8-inch hub to receive the threaded handle. This flange strengthens the hawk.

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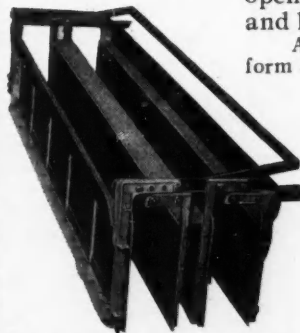
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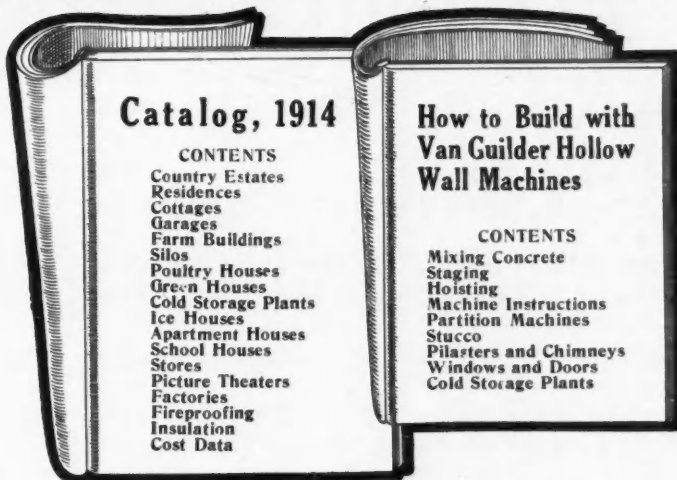
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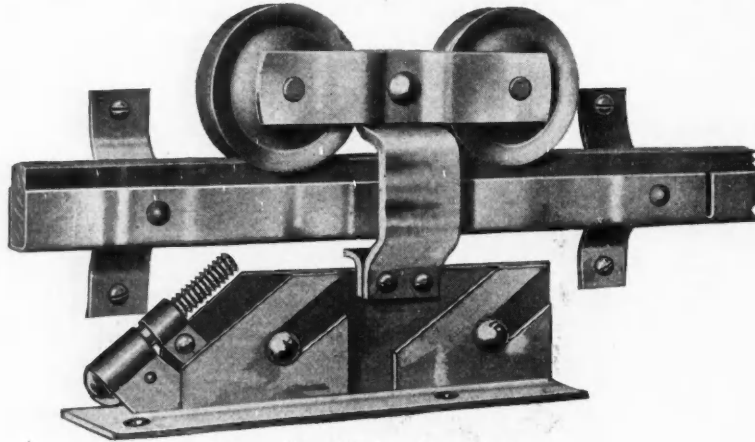
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The parlor door hanger herewith illustrated has been very carefully worked out to meet the need for easy application and easier running qualities. It is the Sharon No. 2.

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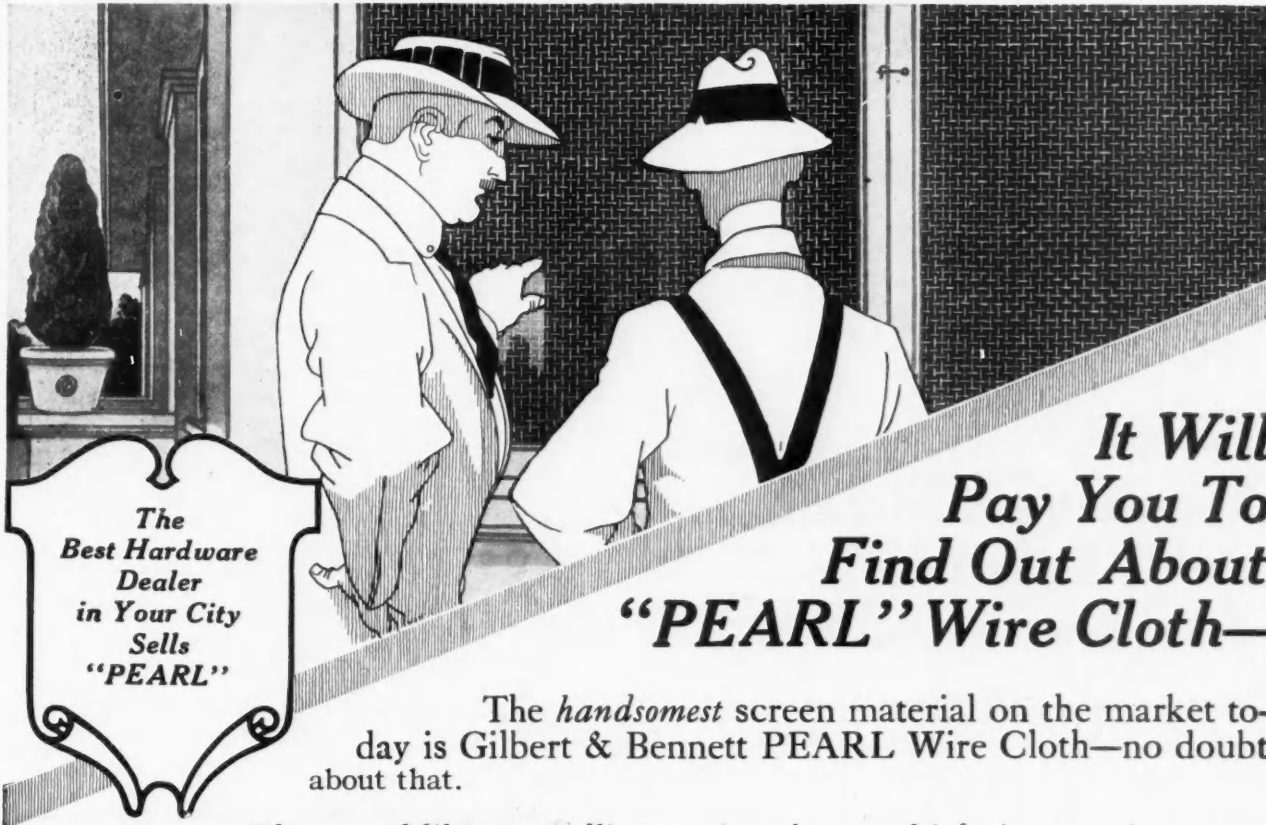
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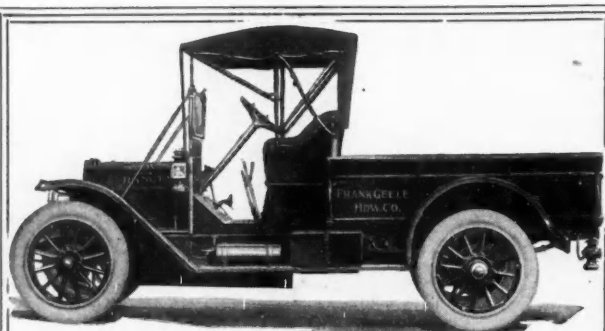
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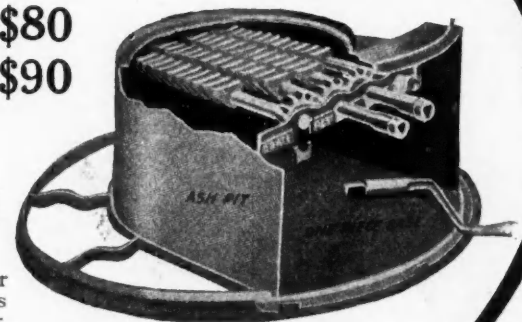
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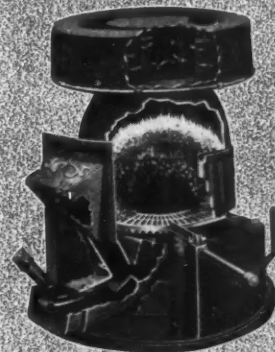
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*Residence of Thos. Forbes, Freeport, N. Y. Cellar floor subject to 2-foot water pressure. Furnace pit subject to 3-foot water pressure. Entire cellar, about 1500 sq. ft., waterproofed thoroughly by the use of Ceresit. A. S. Johnson, Freeport, Contractor.*

## What Mr. Johnson Did YOU Can Do

Mr. A. S. Johnson is a Building Contractor in Freeport, N. Y. The cellars of the houses in that town are subject during the winter to water pressures ranging from 1 foot upwards.

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### Safety Scaffold Brackets

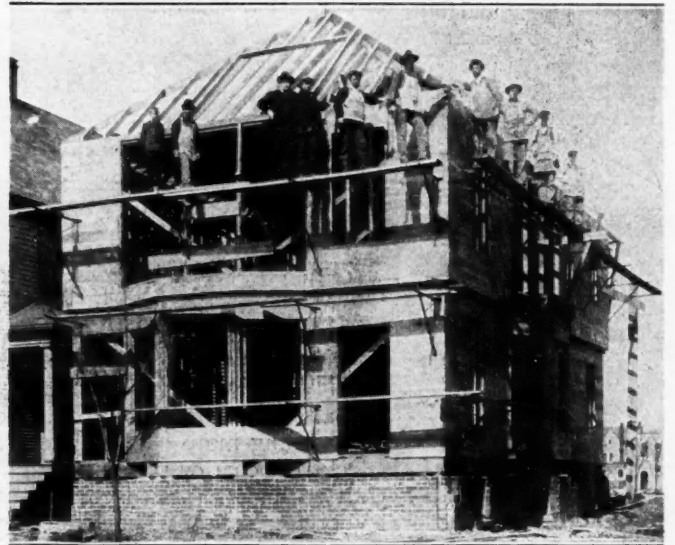
There is a great campaign on now throughout the country known as "Safety First." This idea applies to the building trade as well as to other activities or vocations.

Since men's lives are at risk on scaffolds, having in mind "Safety First," contractors should secure the safest scaffolds possible to be bought.

The American Steel Scaffold Company, located at 252 Sheridan Ave., Detroit, Mich., are now making several kinds, but have given special attention to the manufacture of Wheeler Safety Scaffold Brackets, which have given universal satisfaction to thousands of users.

They have a patented locking device which secures them to the wall automatically when put in position, assuring safety. Are easily put up and taken down; fold compactly for handling and transferring. They carry more weight than is usually placed on scaffolds.

They save lumber, labor, nails and accidents, all of which must make them attractive to all progressive carpenter contractors looking for opportunities to increase their profits



**A Severe Test of "Wheeler" Safety Scaffold Brackets.**

and to protect themselves against accidents, which may be caused by poor scaffolds.

The saving from no lumber and no nails being used, together with saving on labor in time required to put these scaffold up, amounts to a large sum in a year's time, and contractors will do well to avail themselves of the benefits to be had by using them.

The accompanying cut shows the brackets in actual use and attention is called to the number of men working on the scaffolds.

The manufacturers are offering a liberal proposition, which will appeal to all contractors, as it gives them an opportunity to prove the claims made for these scaffold brackets and without costing the contractor anything. They will be glad to submit their free trial offer to those who request it by letter or postal.

### Nickerson Porch Columns

An interesting catalog has just come to hand from the Nickerson Mfg. Company, Knoxville, Tenn. This is their Catalog No. 4. It tells about Nickerson patent double-lock-joint porch, interior, and pergola columns. These people specialize on detail work. "Vignola" is their standard for proportions when architect's details are not furnished. Our readers will find this catalog full of good suggestions. Copies will be sent on request.

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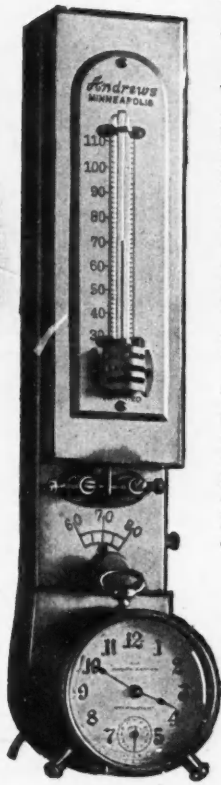
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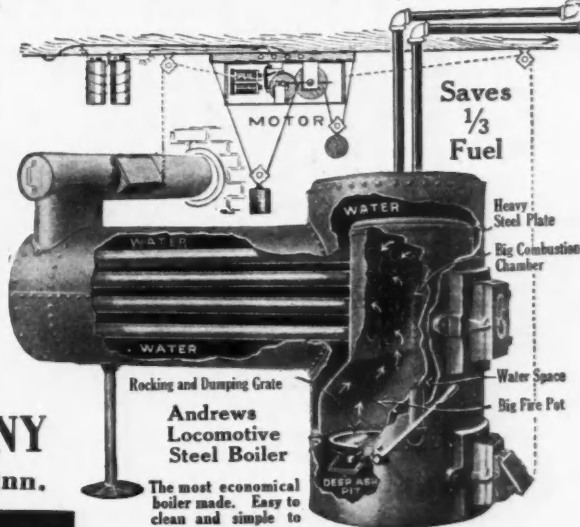
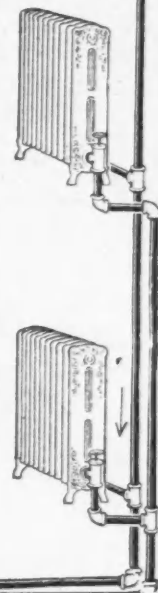
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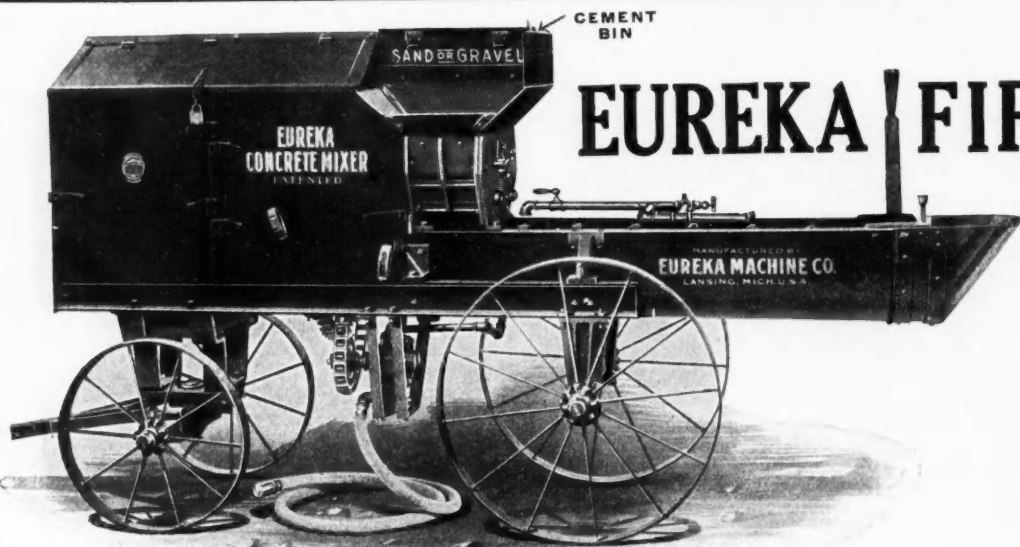
When builders recommend a heating plant to their customers, they like to be pretty confident their advice is good. A warm-air furnace that will stand up under hard usage and not need repairs, is what is wanted.

The experience of the Ideal Furnace Company, of Detroit, is interesting in this connection. Their furnace castings are all made from a special mixture of high-grade northern ore, which insures very durable castings. These people tell us that repair orders are practically unknown to them. And this point is the more striking, too, as the Ideal furnace is guaranteed, and the manufacturers would naturally be called upon to make good, and replace any defective or broken part.

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The illustration shows very clearly the construction of the Ideal furnace. Note the double casings and the extra large air-space around the radiator. All of the features that go to make up a standard, high-grade heating plant are embodied in this design.

This is the time of year to be looking into the heating plant proposition, so as to know definitely the type of heating and the make of heater to recommend and use in your building this season. The Ideal Furnace Company, Detroit, Mich., will send their catalog and full information to any AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER readers who write them.



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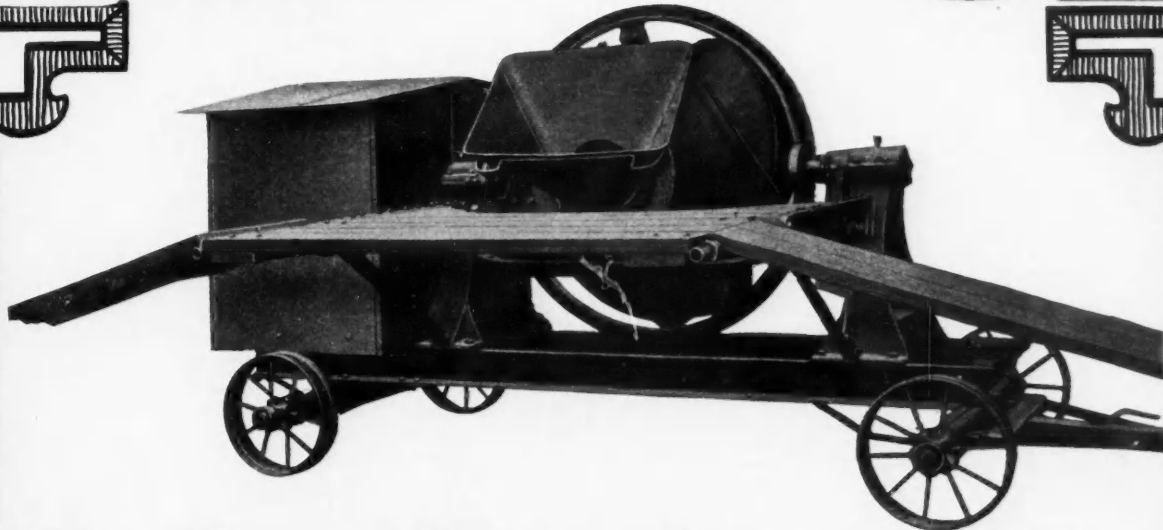
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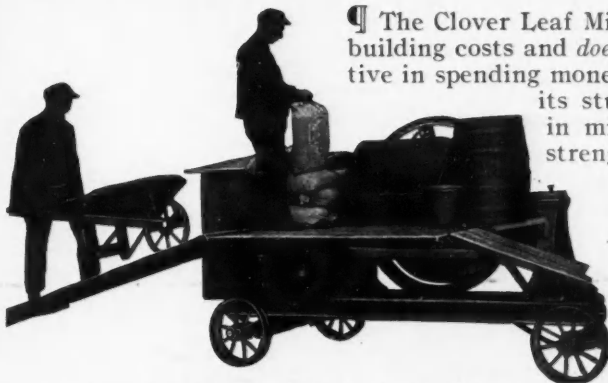
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## The Mortar Mixing Concrete Mixer



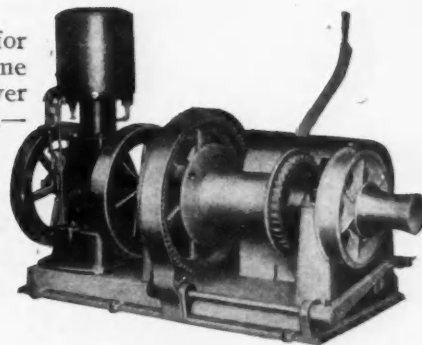
Clover Leaf Mixer with Folding Loading Platform

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☞ Clover Leaf Equipment will stand comparison with any. Our machines win out on their own merits. We can't speak as well for them as they can for themselves. Let the Clover Leaf Catalog talk to you. Your name and address please, Mr. Contractor.



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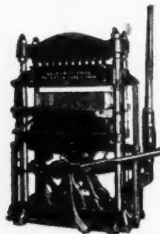
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## Stanley Doweling Jig

This tool, just brought out by the Stanley Rule and Level Company, New Britain, Conn., is for the purpose of enabling the user to bore dowel holes in the edge, end or surface of work with ease and accuracy. It will take any thickness of material up to three inches. It is also an excellent bit guide for mortising.

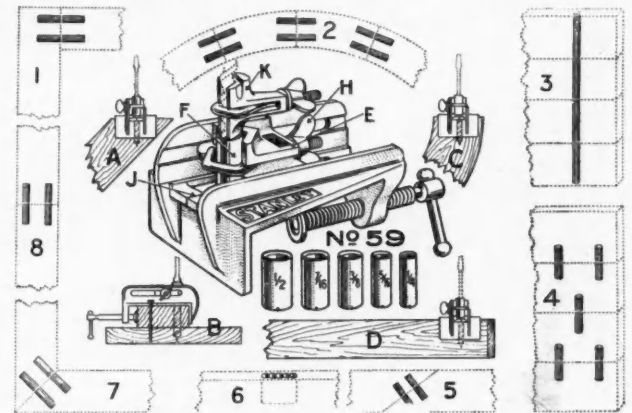
If drill bits are used there will be no danger of boring out of line, even in cross-grain wood or through knots. Excellent work can be done with the ordinary worm bits if care is taken to see that they fit closely in the guides.

In the illustration, which shows the tool complete, "E" is the slide carrying the steel guide "F," by means of which the bit can be brought to the required distance from the edge of the work.

The guide "F" is held in slide "E" by the screw clamp and thumb nut "H."

In laying out the work, first mark across the edge of the stock the desired location, of the dowel hole from the end of the work.

Having decided upon the distance the dowel hole is to be from the surface of the work, place the bit guide in the



Stanley Doweling Jig

slide, bringing the two marks on lower edge of guide the same distance from the end of the jig as the center of the dowel hole is to be from the surface of the work. The under side of the jig is graduated for this purpose.

Then place the jig on the work, bringing the mark "J" on the front of the tool, so that it is in line with the mark on the edge of the stock.

A depth gauge "K" is also furnished which can be used with or without the jig. Where used without the jig, the gauge should be set with the large end towards the point of the bit, but in using same with the jig it should be set with the small end down, as shown in the cut.

Fig. A. shows the proper way of attaching the jig when boring dowel holes on mitred or special work.

Fig. B shows the method used in boring dowel holes on the surface of a board. For this work it is necessary that a temporary block be nailed to same as shown in illustration.

Fig. C shows how the jig should be attached to the work when doweling segments of circles.

Fig. D the setting of the jig for all kinds of ordinary doweling.

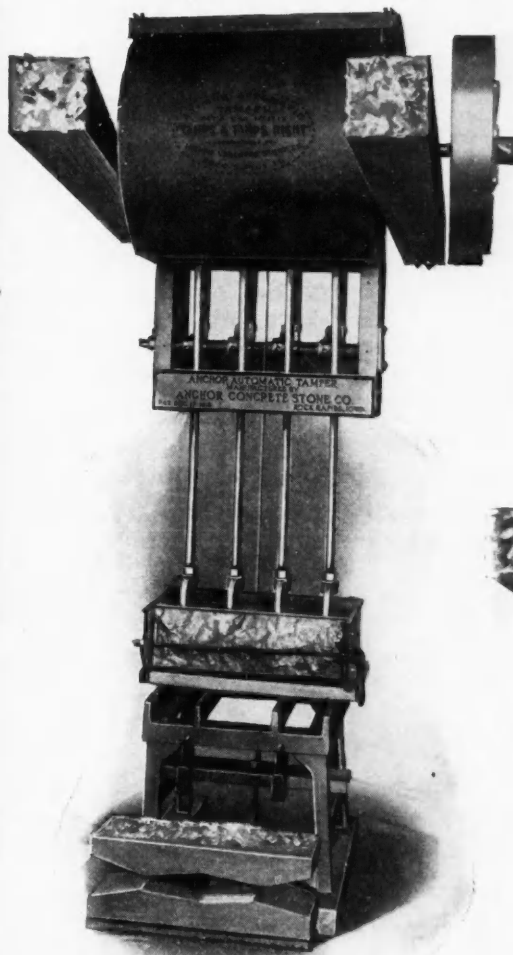


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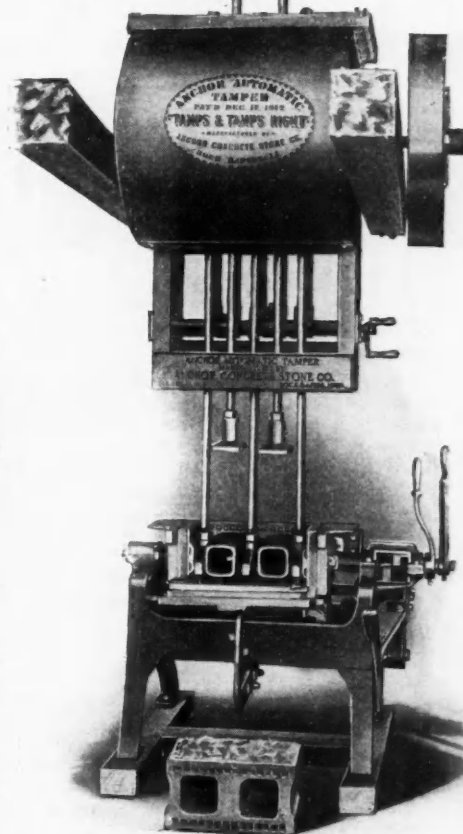
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### Power for Contractors' Shops

The wise builder nowadays has to look out for all the profits there are in the building business. If his volume of work is big enough to make it pay, he sets up a power woodworking shop and quits paying over part of his profits to the planing mill. He does this by making most of his own millwork out of rough lumber. If he is not doing enough to justify branching out to this extent, it doesn't take him long to figure out some way to make a beginning toward a power shop; small at first, but capable of being expanded, and all the time showing the contractor and builder a nice little profit.



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### Beaver Board in South Africa

On Feb. 1st, R. S. Ward, of the Beaver Board Companies, sailed for South Africa. The Beaver Companies already have representatives in South America, Australia and Mexico, and a branch office in London. He is particularly fitted for the work; first a Beaver Board salesman, but later a distributor. He recently sold his jobbing business in Detroit, Mich., to take up with the new work.

Beaver Board is already well known in South Africa, where it is used with great success throughout the colonies. The new representative will go, therefore, not only to establish new dealers, but to work with dealers already handling pure wood fibre Beaver Board.

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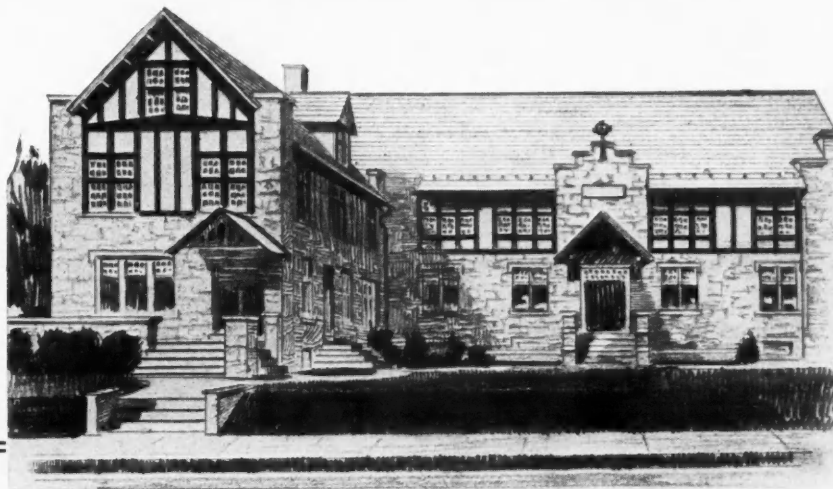
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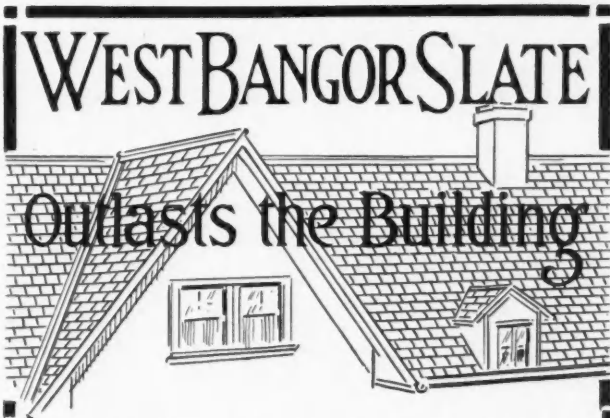
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## Concerning That Roof

This is the time of year when March storms search out the weak spots in the roof—when Jones begins to wonder where the leak is that makes that wet spot on the ceiling and Smith questions whether, after all, those old nails are going to hold the rotted wood shingles through the spring storms.

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would have saved them worry, trouble and perhaps expensive repairs at this inconvenient season, for Cortrights make a storm and fireproof roof that "lasts indefinitely, and never needs repairs."

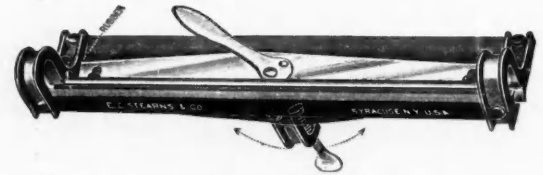
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### Stearns Folding Steel Saw Vise

E. C. Stearns & Co., 400 Oneida St., Syracuse, N. Y., are offering an improved folding saw vise as illustrated. It is made of sheet and channel steel, finished in black Japan with nickel-plated trimmings. The back jaw is faced with



Stearns Steel Saw Vise—Rubber Faced

rubber, which prevents vibration and makes the filing of saws in this vise comparatively noiseless. The lever is below the top of the vise on the back jaw and is, therefore, entirely out of the way. This vise weighs 2 lbs. 10 oz. The extreme length is 12 inches.



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### Big General Catalog of Concrete Machinery

There is a good deal of rivalry among the cement machinery people to see who will put out the most attractive and most instructive catalog of concrete machinery. The men who are back of this important industry are not afraid to go to considerable expense and trouble to help contractors and builders with their concreting problems, and to illustrate the machinery they have to offer, in a satisfactory way.

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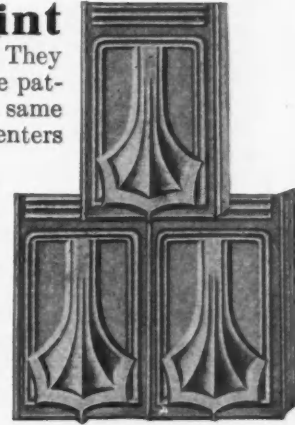
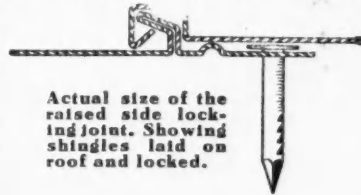
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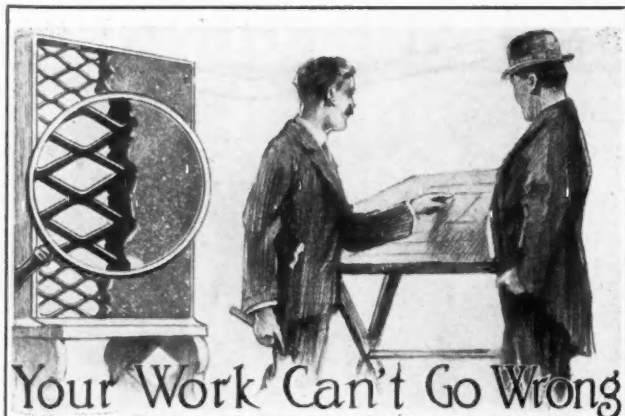
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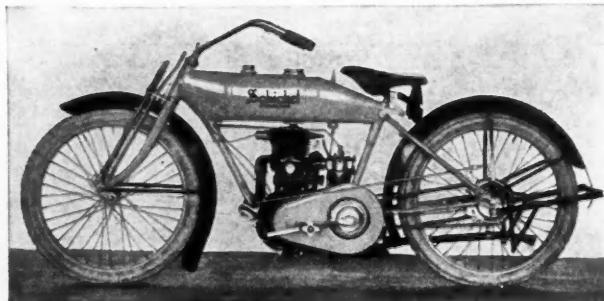


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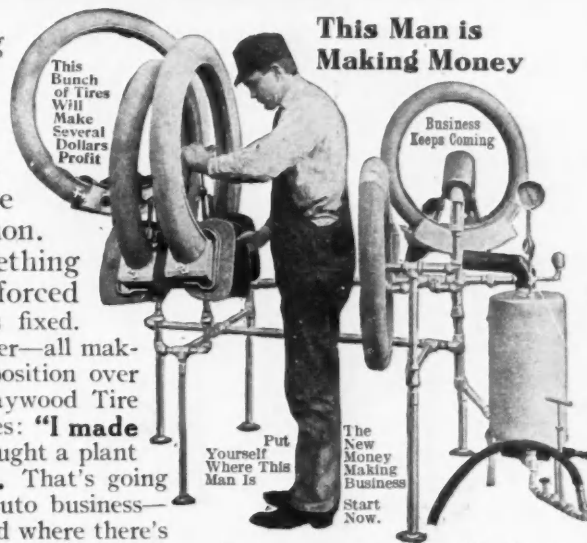
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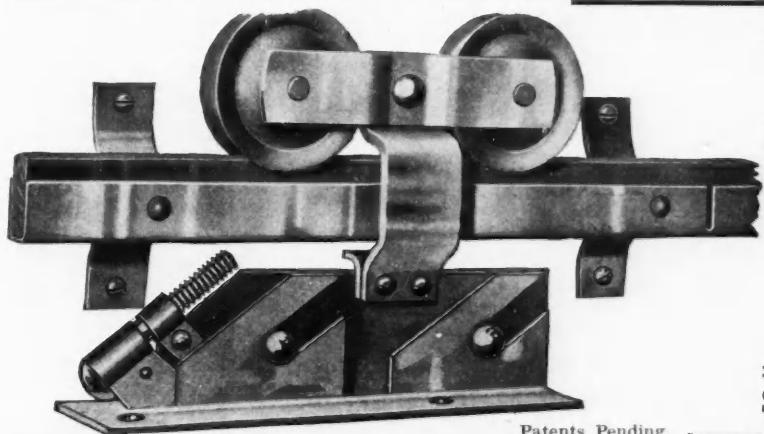
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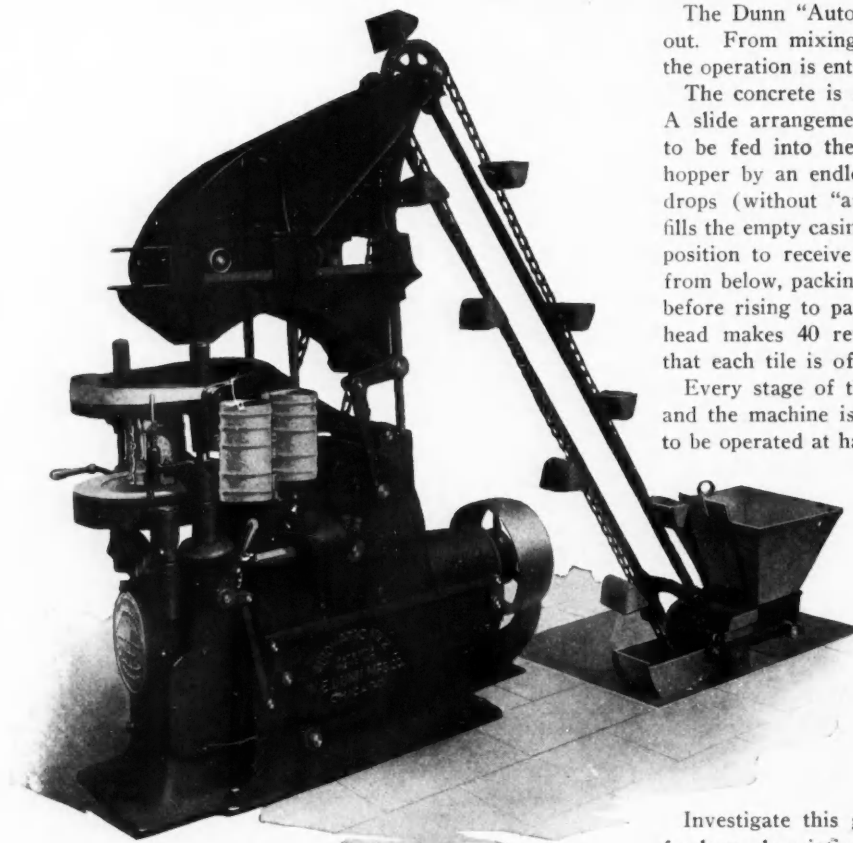
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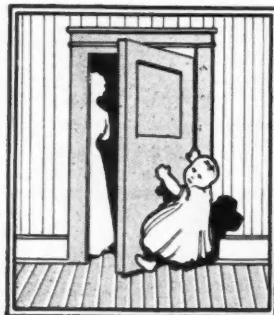
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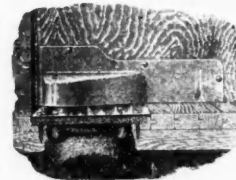
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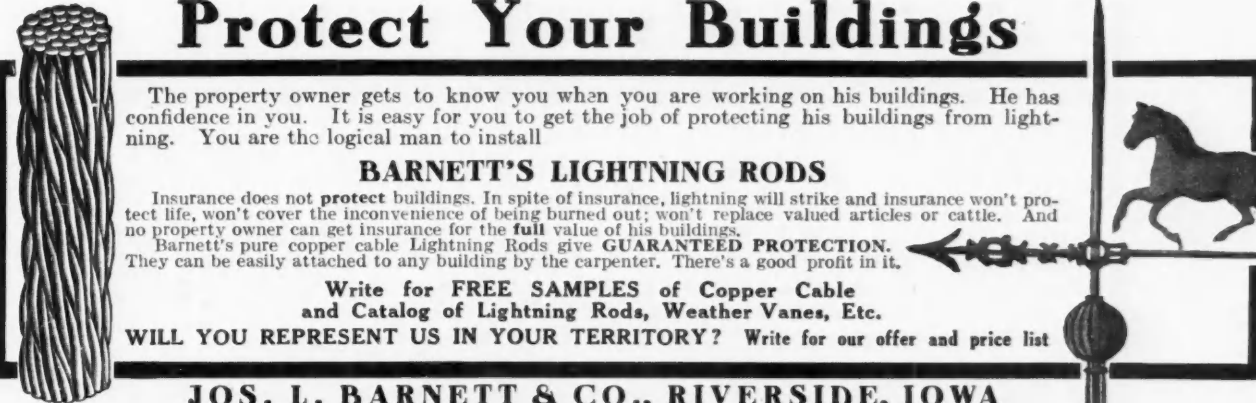
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The question has been repeatedly asked if anything can be done to prevent the highly objectionable white exudation of sodium sulphate, erroneously called saltpeter, which makes its appearance with aggravating persistence, year after year, on the surface of brick, stone and concrete walls.

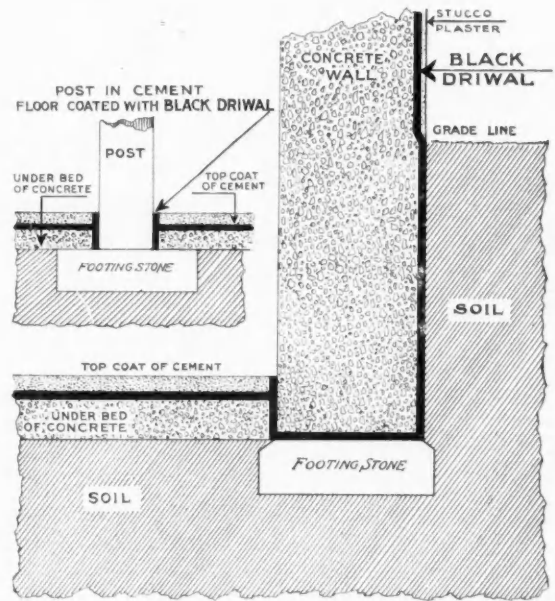
The remedy is simple. It consists in making the wall dry by the well known prescription, "An Ounce of Prevention."

The efflorescence usually appears in the spring of the year, when the moisture and frost in the wall are coming out. Efflorescence, which occurs at any other time of the year, is confined to certain spots which examination will reveal to be more damp than any other portion of the wall, such spots are to be found near downspouts or eaves, or near the ground.

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The water must be completely shut off by a coating across the bottom of the wall, as well as over the floor and side wall.

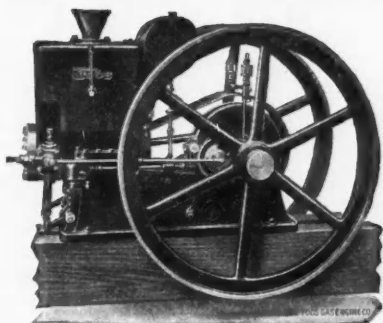
The heavy, black line indicates where it should be applied. A failure to insulate the wall across the bottom, as well as on the sides, will result in its sucking up water and becoming saturated. It is as necessary at this point as is a good watertight sole to your rubber boots.

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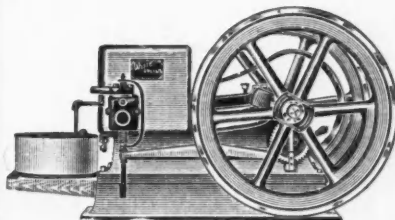


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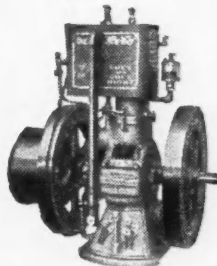
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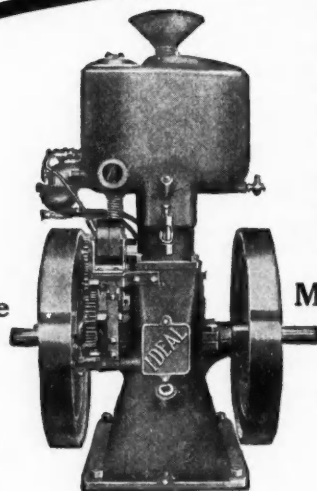
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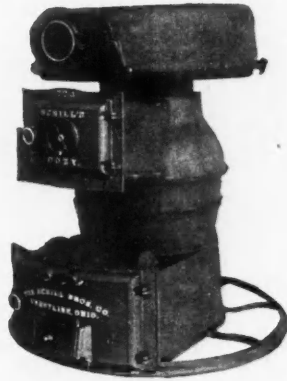
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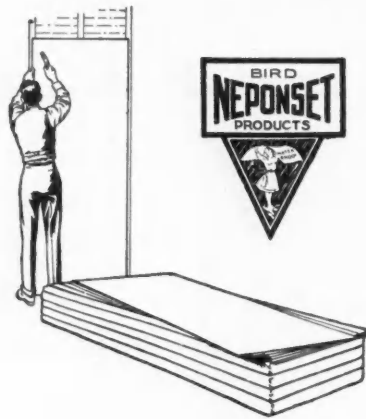
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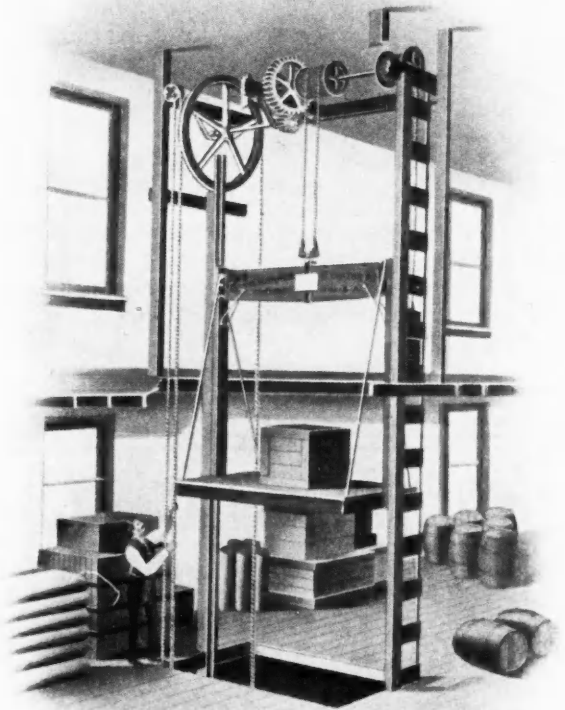
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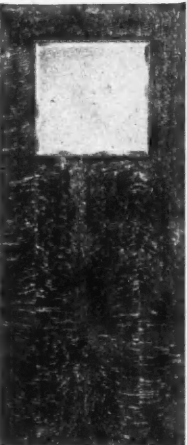
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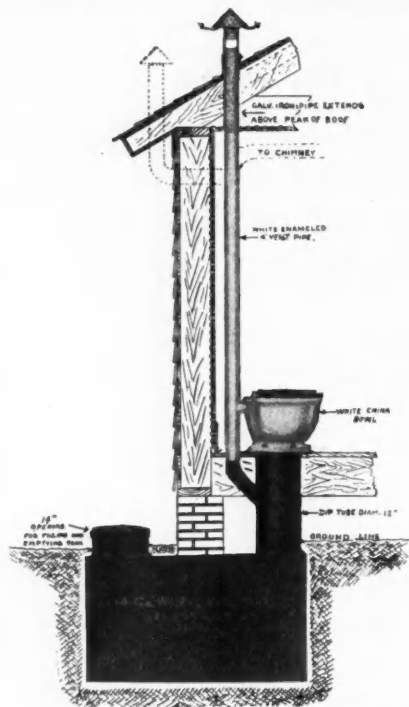
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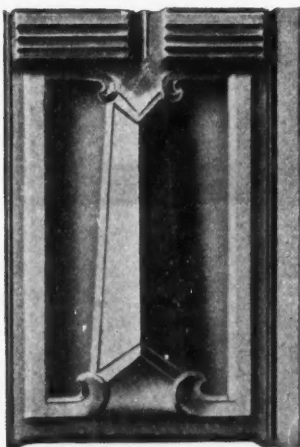
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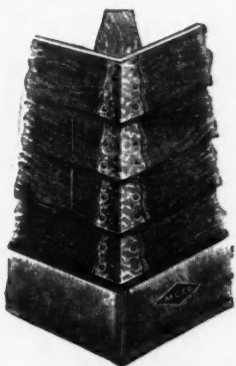
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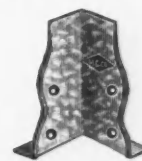
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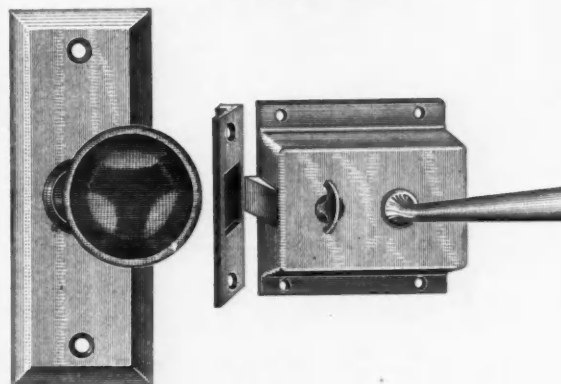
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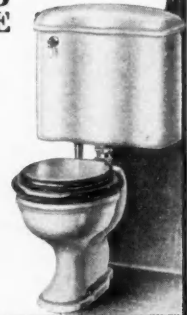
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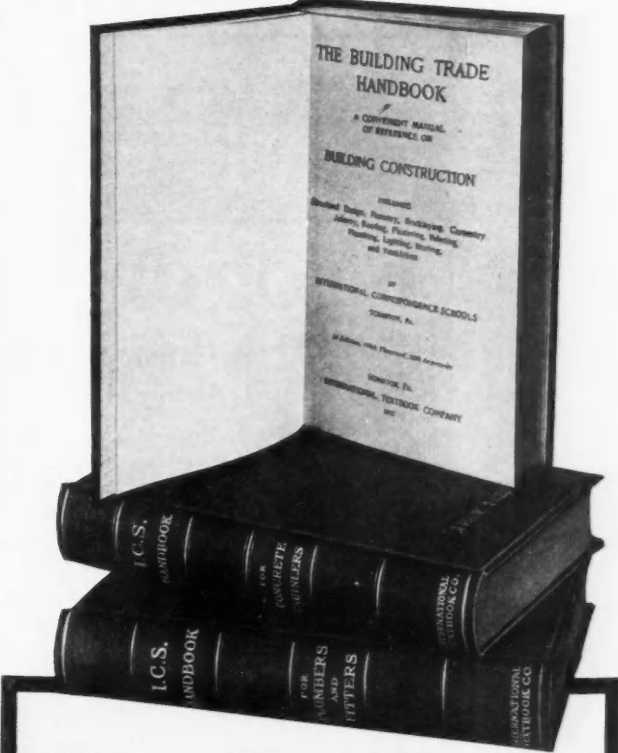
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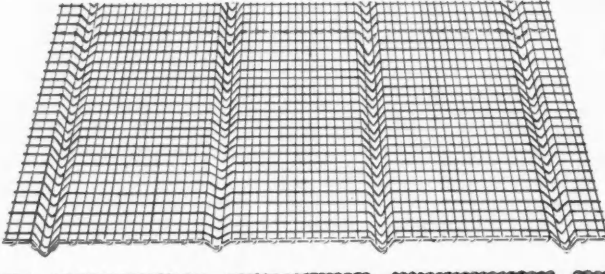
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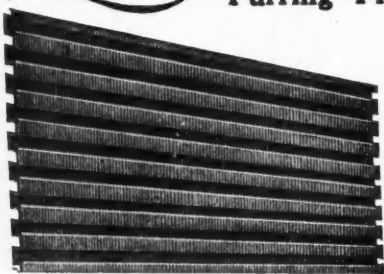
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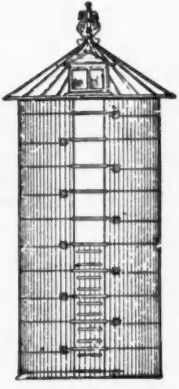
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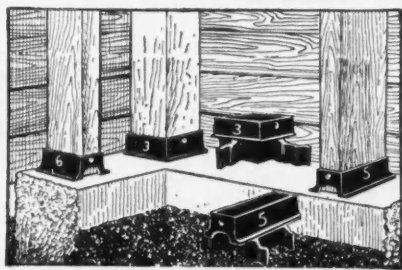
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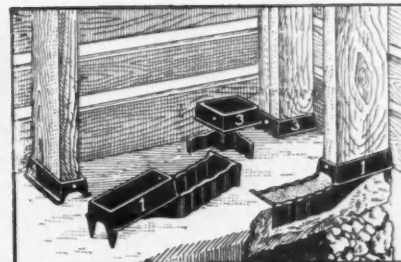
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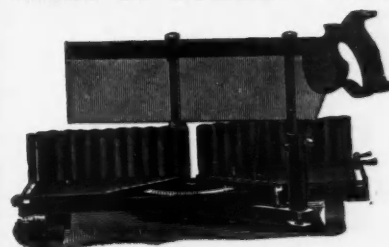
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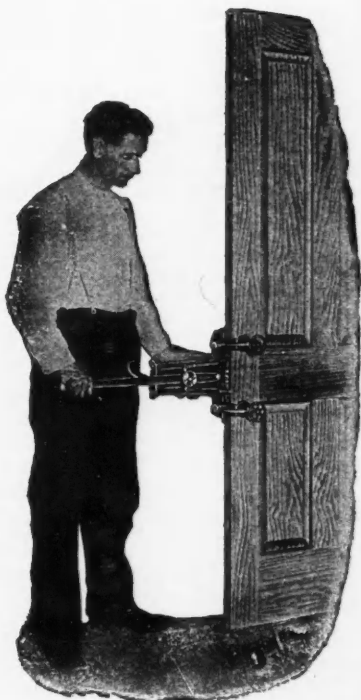
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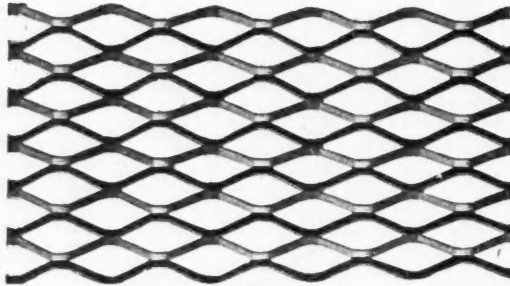
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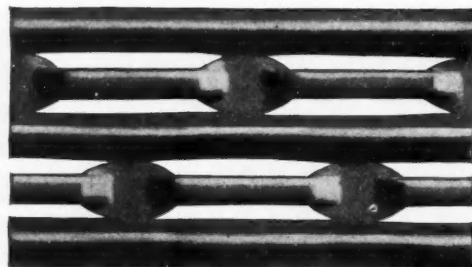
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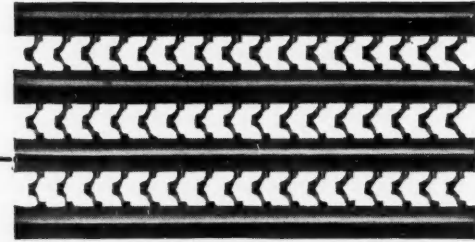
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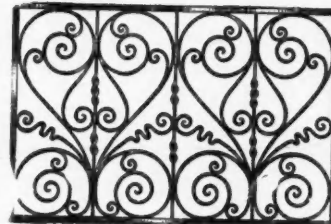
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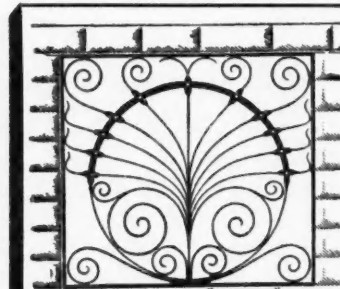
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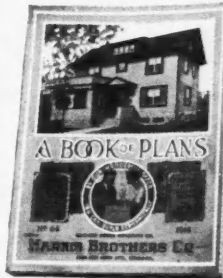
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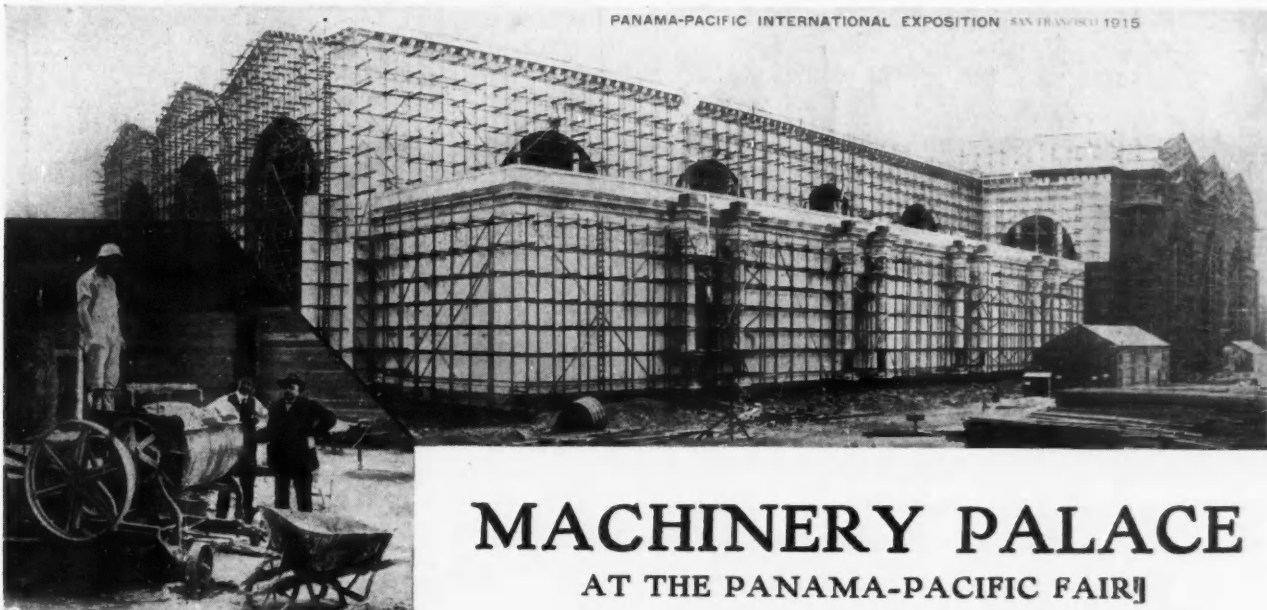
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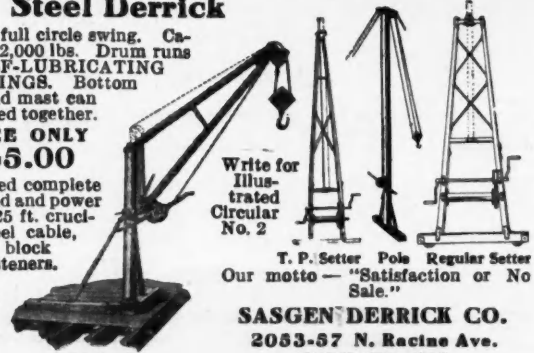
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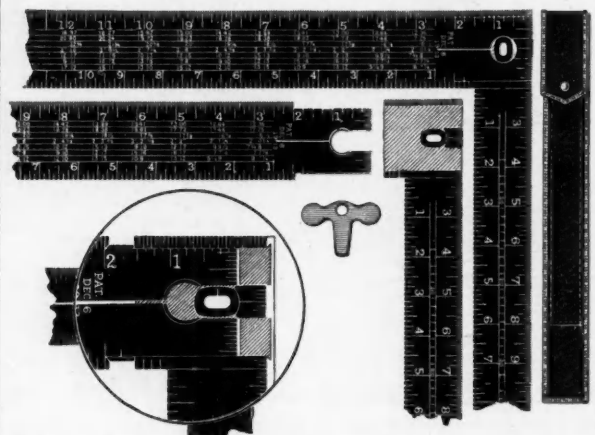


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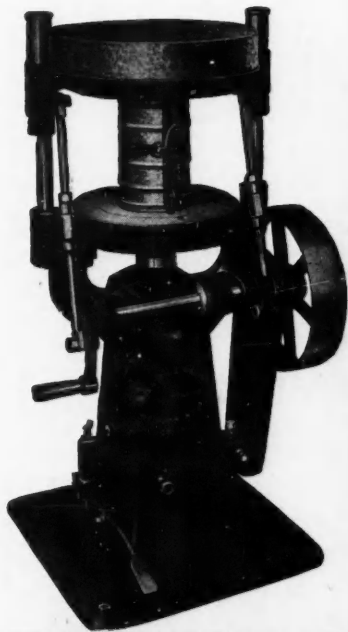
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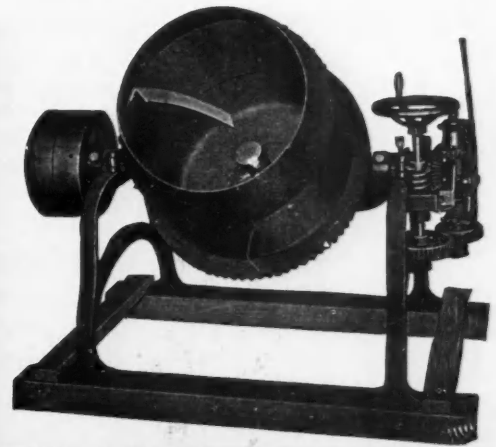
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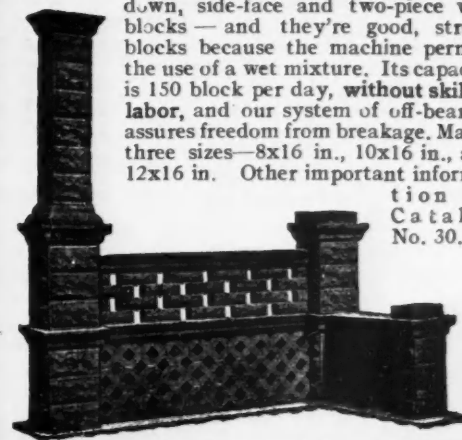
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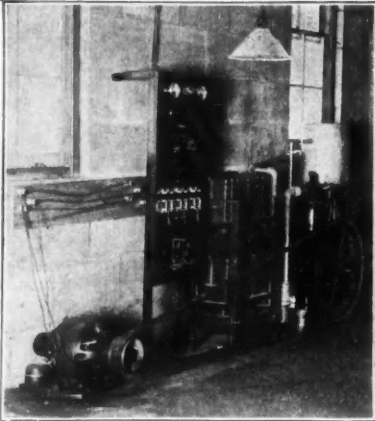
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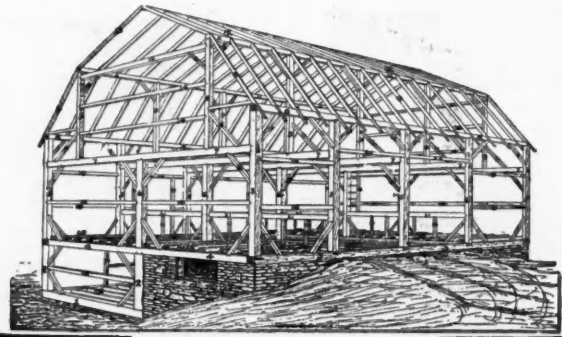
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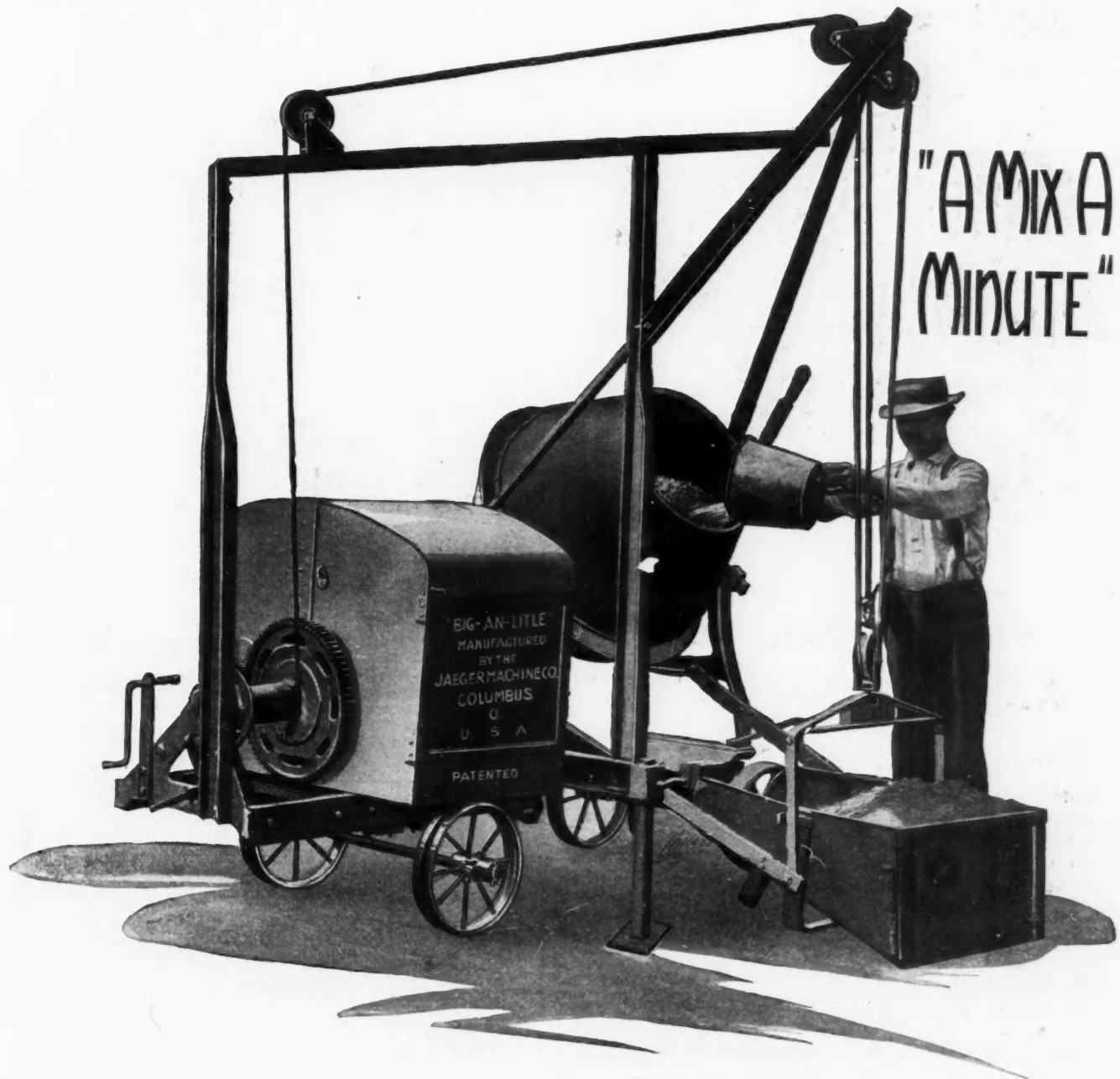
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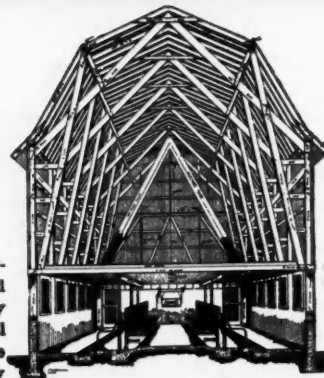
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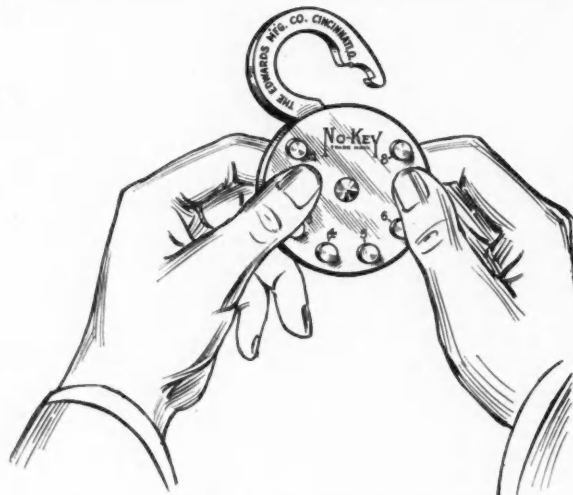
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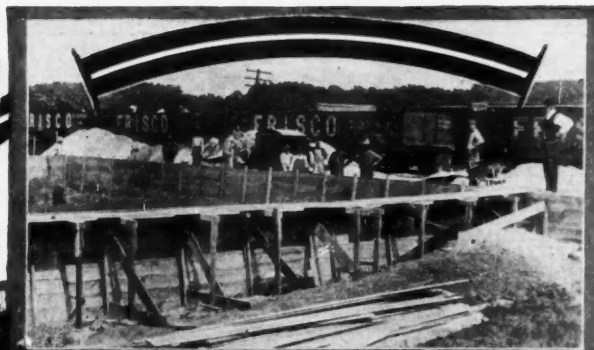
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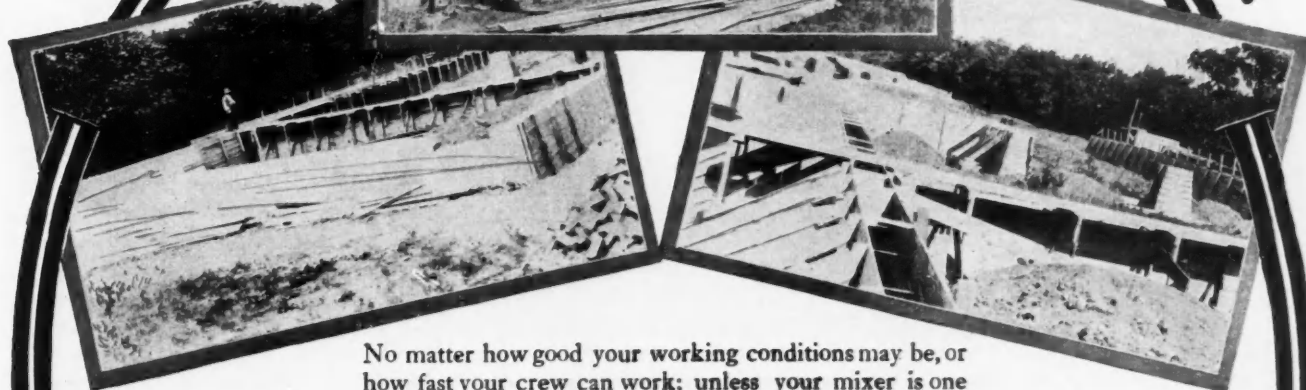
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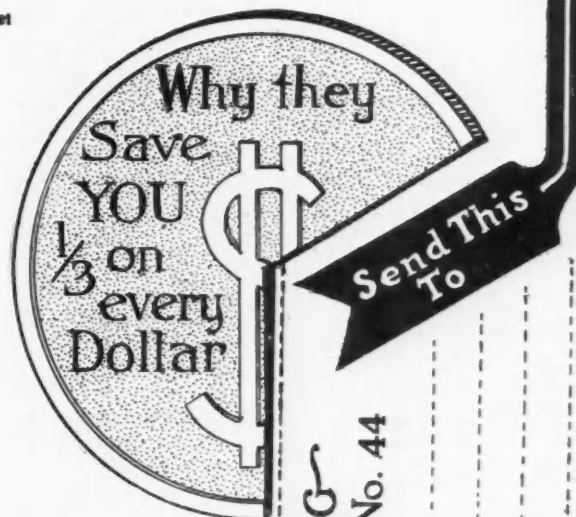
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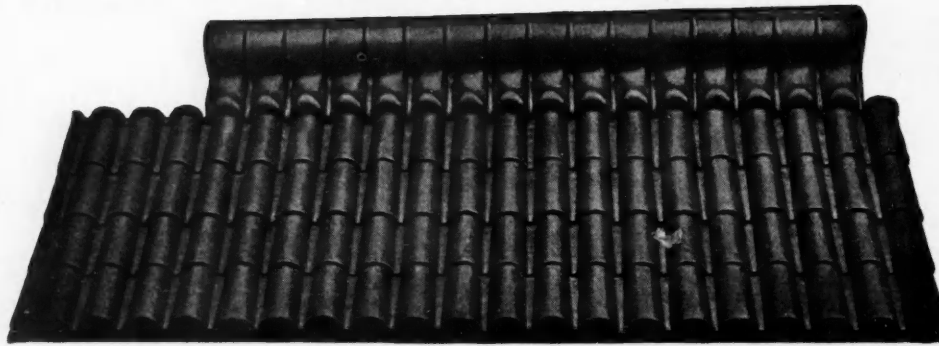
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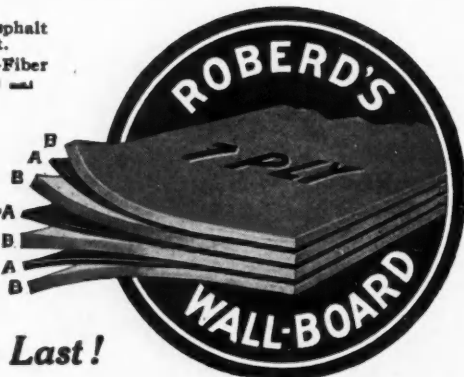
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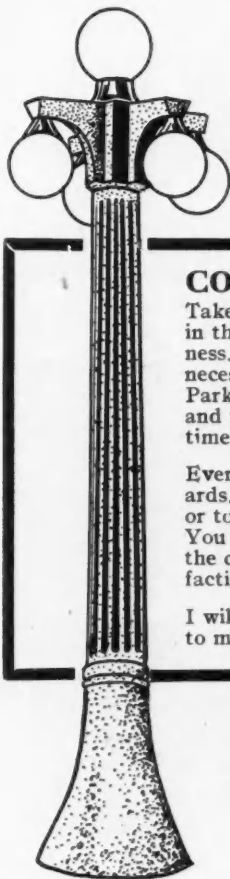
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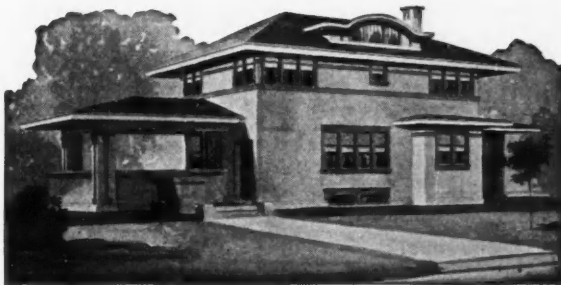
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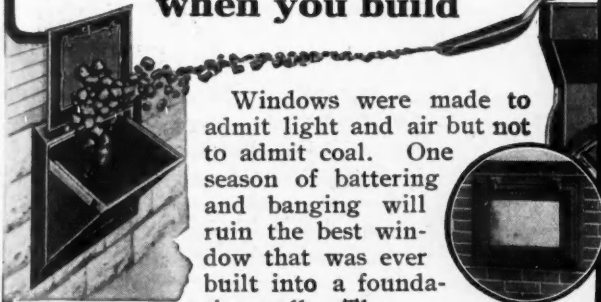
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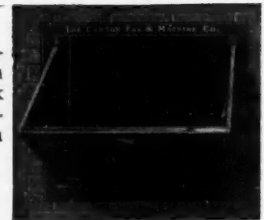
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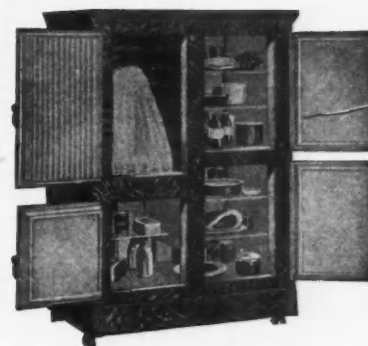
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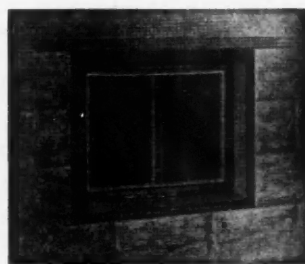
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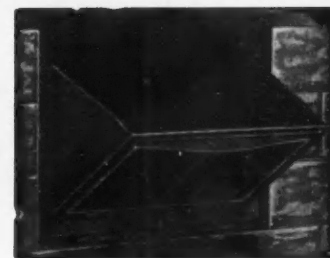
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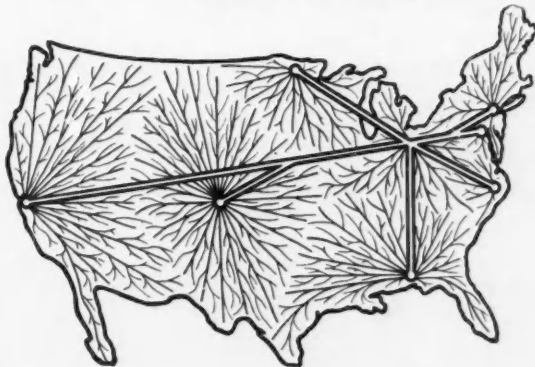
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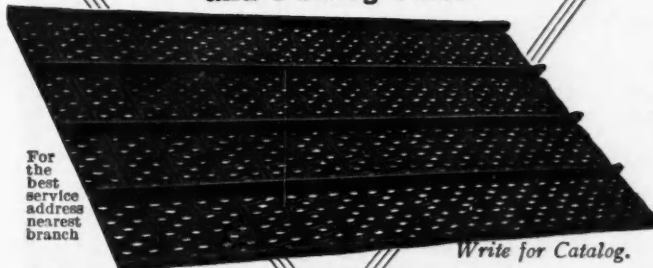
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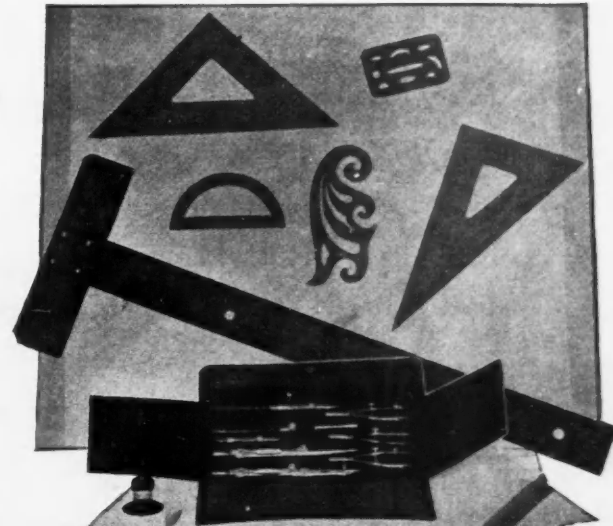
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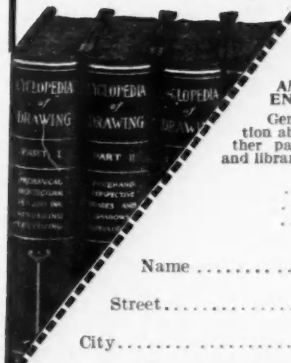
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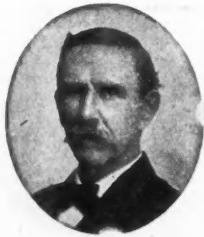
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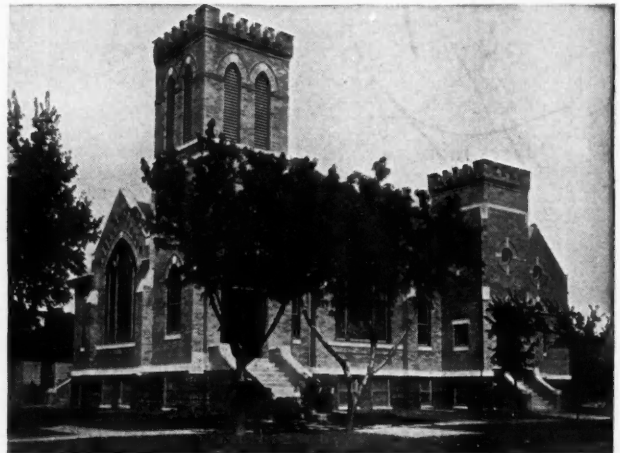






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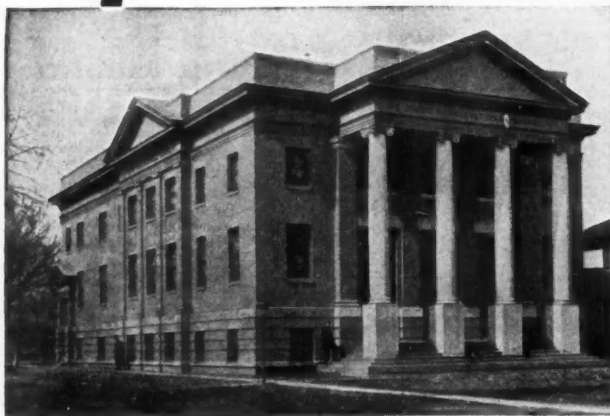
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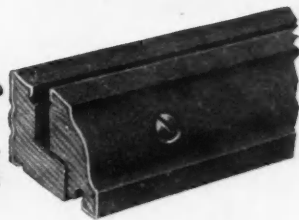
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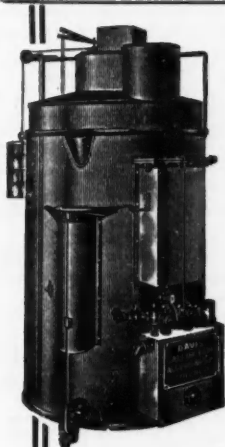
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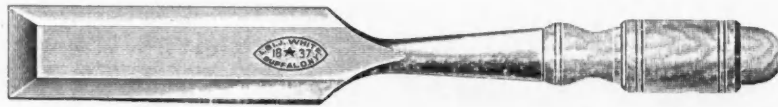
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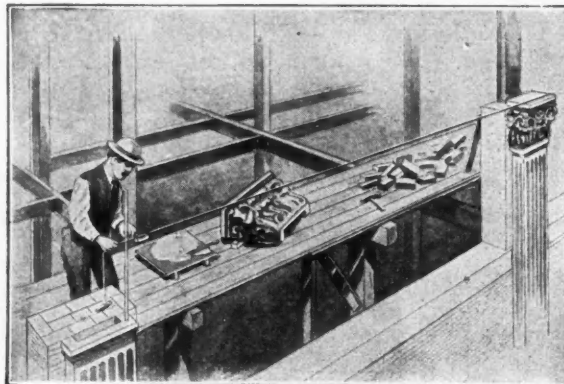
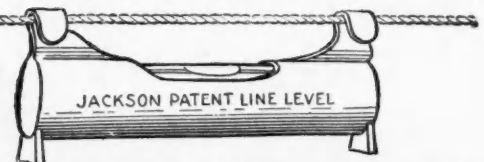
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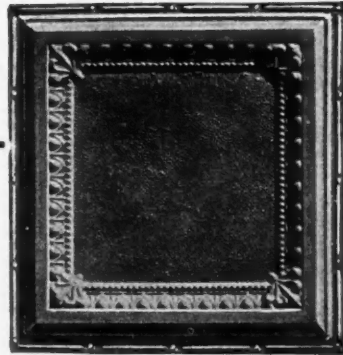
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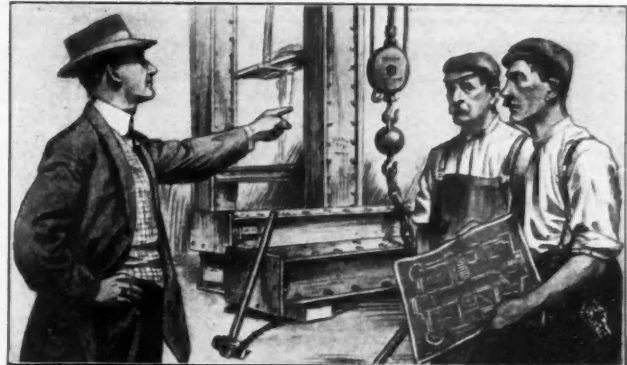
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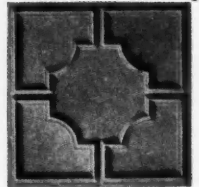
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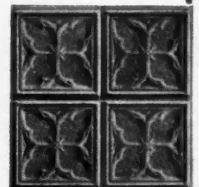
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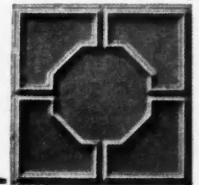
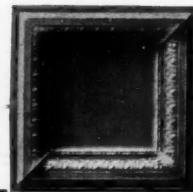
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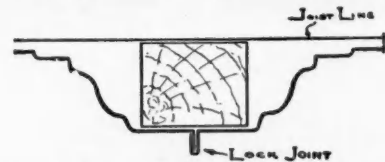


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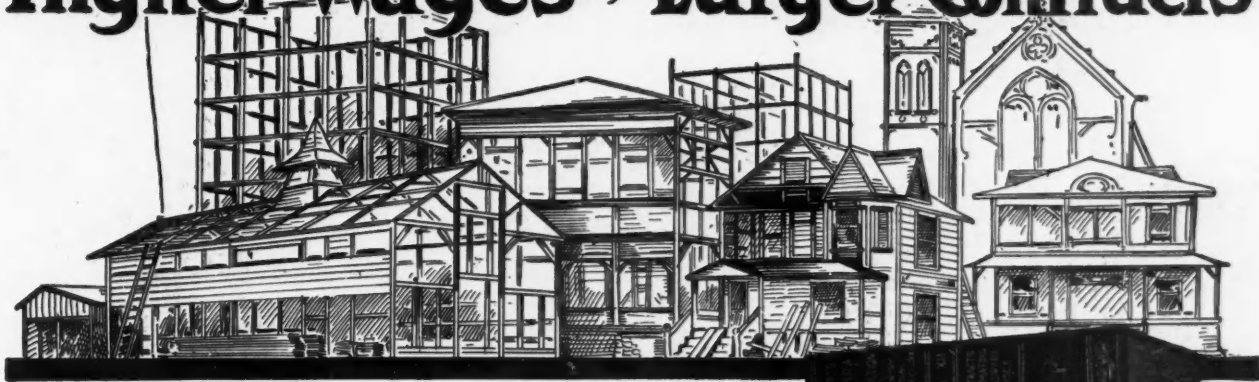
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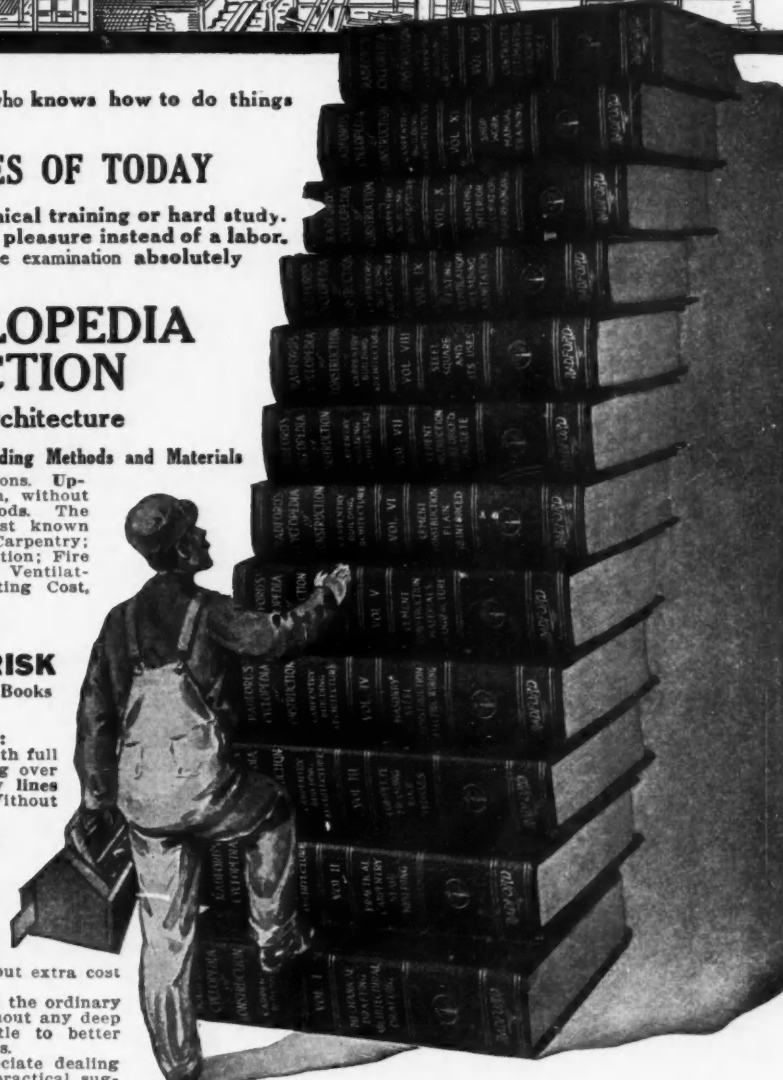
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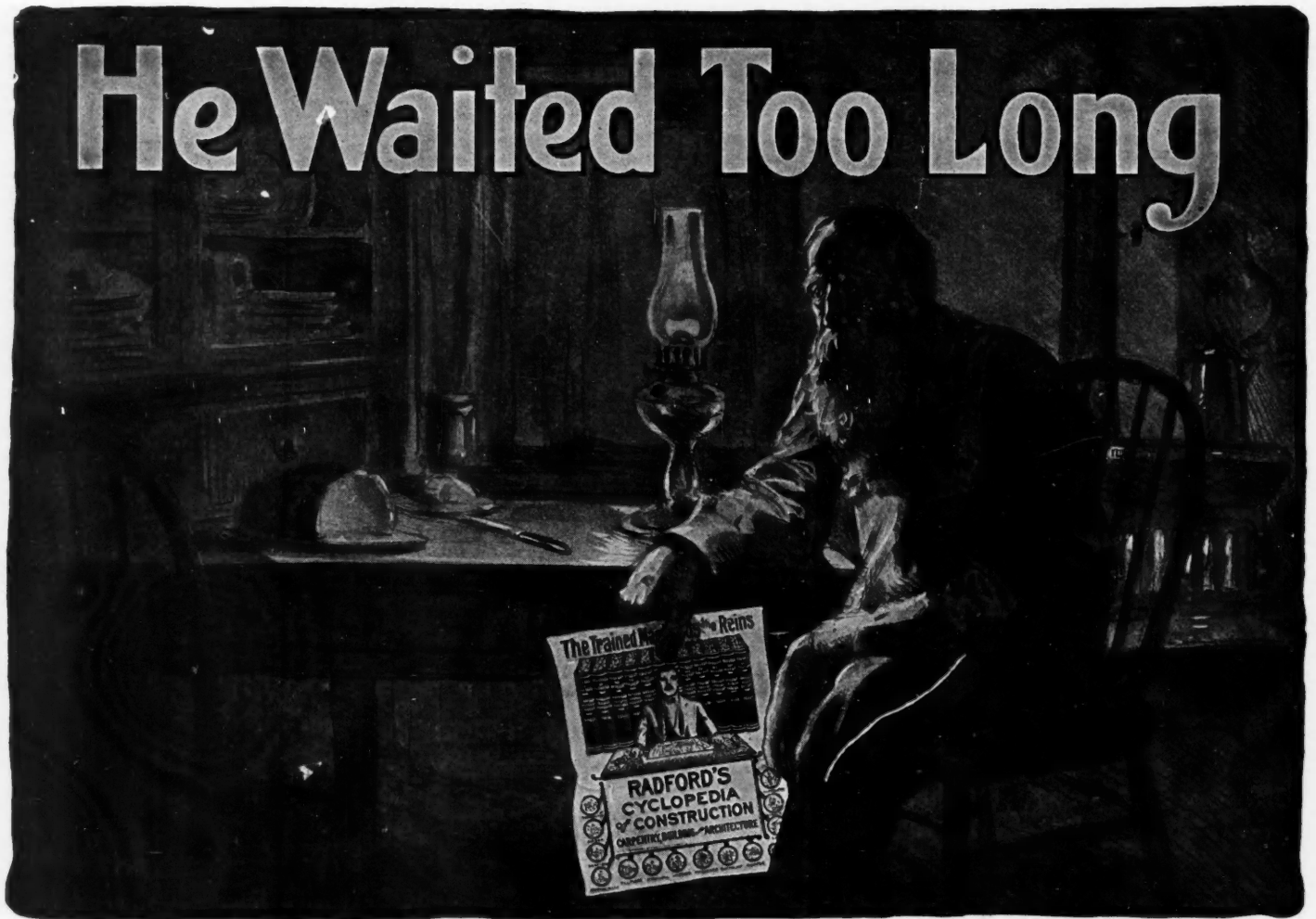
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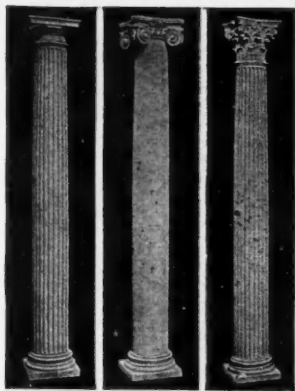
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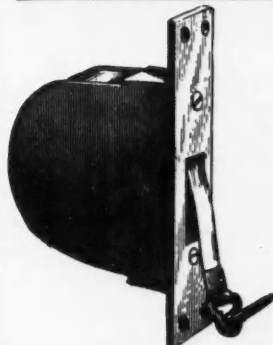


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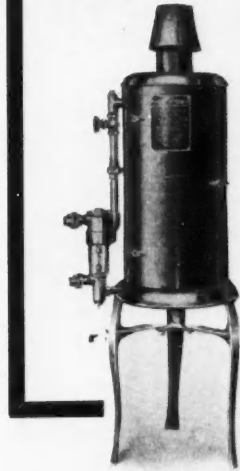
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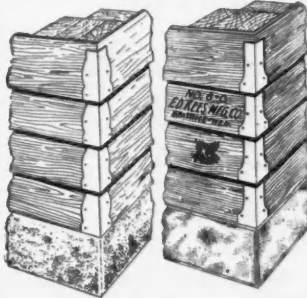
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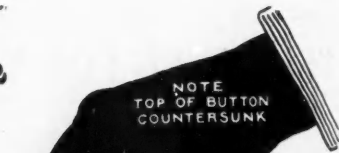
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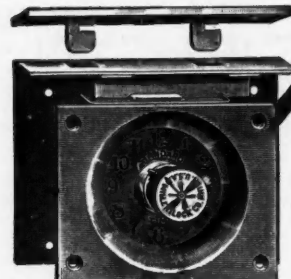
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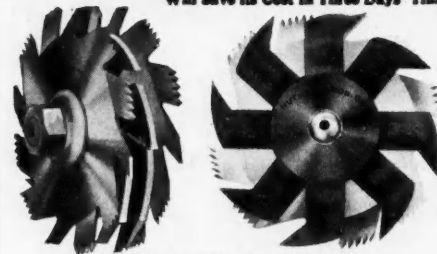
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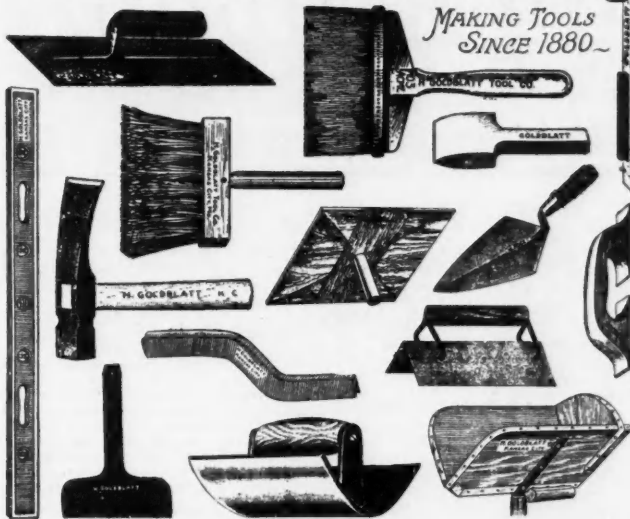
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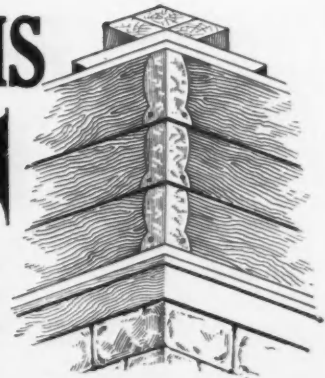


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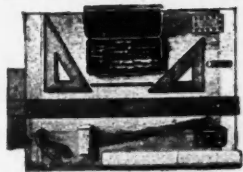
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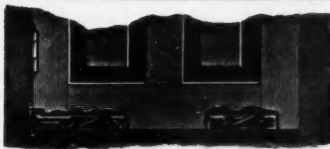
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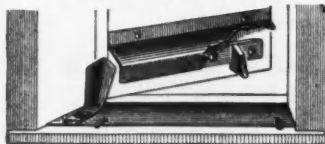
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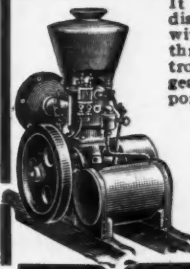
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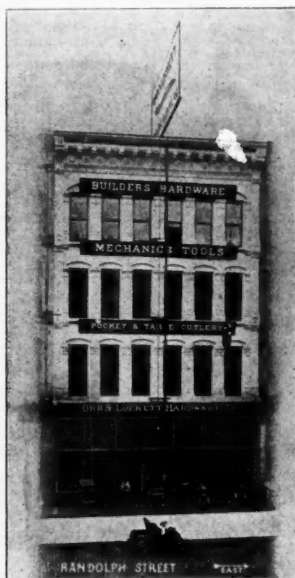
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8-Wrot. Bronze	French	Lemon Brass	1.35	1.05
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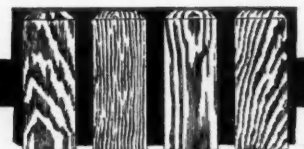
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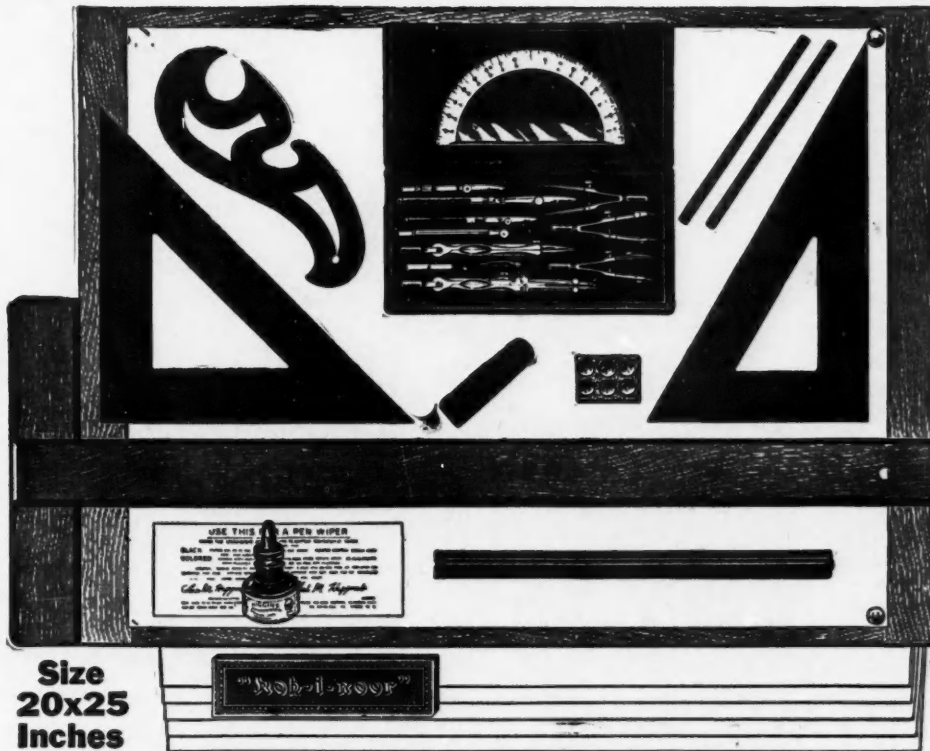
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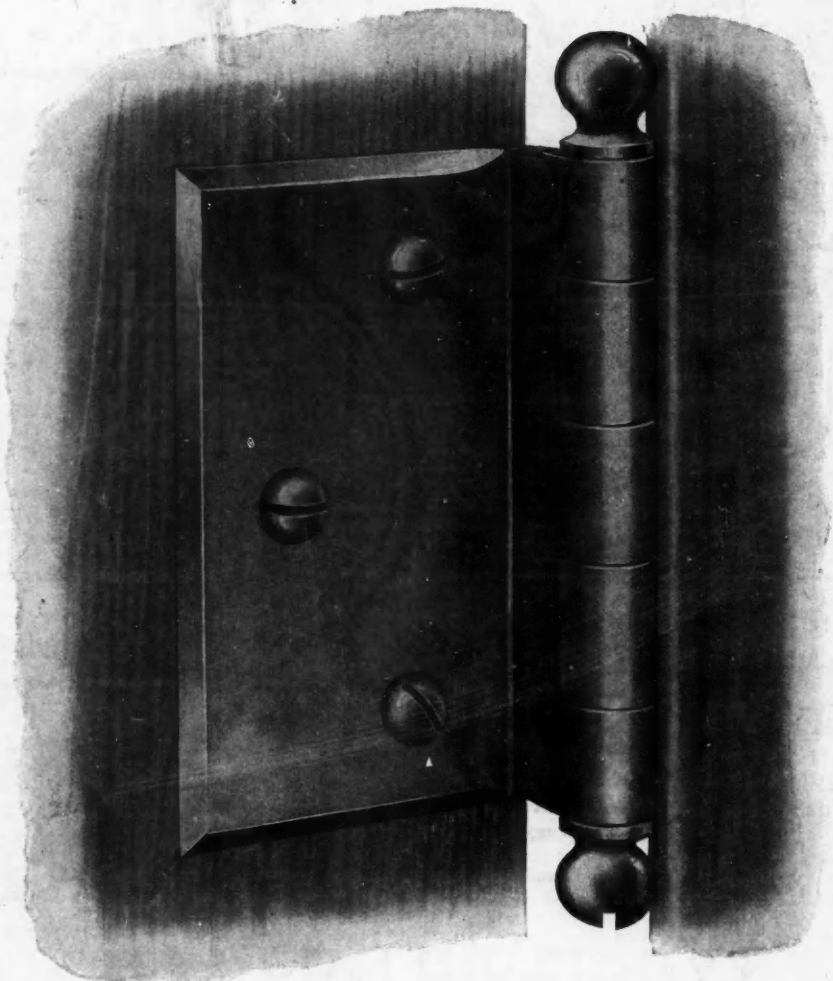
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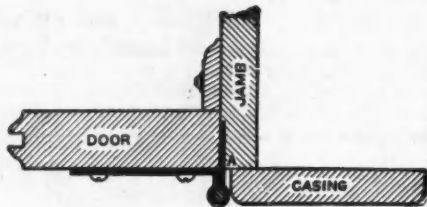
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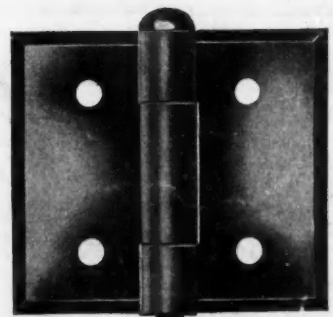
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