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Central Problem of Architecture

With no intention of reporting at any length on the conference, I must put down a couple of notes from the Urban Design Conference, lately concluded at Harvard. Maybe my essential timidity is coming to the fore, but I confess to thinking of the frightening aspects of the two items.

The first is a little report on the replanning of Boston, now under way. We understand that renewal programs to be completed within the next ten years embrace a third of the area of Boston and will affect at least one half of its population.

As I say, my own reaction on hearing this bit of news was a quick: "It's frightening." Perhaps this might be a lonely position. Certainly the source of the news—one of the official planners—did not show any signs of fright. More than likely many architects, possibly most architects, would merely think it wonderful to have such a replanning opportunity, and would proceed happily to start drawing. But—no aspersions at any one person—I should still worry about the prospects of a completely happy result for Boston.

The other note I mentioned bears on that concern. It was some introductory remarks by the famous Ed Bacon as he began a paper. He recounted a meeting last fall in Chicago when a group of hot-design architects were discussing "Modern Architecture and the Rebuilding of Cities."

"One of the participants," said Bacon, "sought refuge from city chaos in the creation of little miracle islands of perfect design; one asserted that city building would bore creative men; one plaintively asked that the architect be restored to the preeminent position without making it clear who was to restore him or why he didn't restore himself."

Modern architecture, he continued, shattered the Beaux Arts grand plan, but no such thing as a Modern City has yet arisen, only modern buildings separated by space.

Let me hasten to add that, in my

case at least, any doubts about the replanning efforts of architects are not limited to architects. These doubts are all-embracive: I just don't believe that we—any of us—know very much about the complexities of urban replanning. We don't even have much of an idea about the strictly architectural objectives and procedures involved, much less about the staggeringly complicated social objectives and necessities.

As the famous housing consultant, Charles Abrams, says in this issue ("Criteria for Urban Renewal," page 155); "What we need before we invest any more billions in the city is a determination of the goals toward which we are headed in the city's future development."

Now of course these tasks are before us. Our cities are wasting away; we are conscious of that erosion, and impatient to be doing something about it. The factor of time is the dominant one in present thinking. We must do something about our cities, and we cannot wait for the perfect solution. The federal government is heavily involved; the money is available. We have the pressure of the population explosion, and that pressure will be hovering over everything we do. We are going ahead, and if that means "barging ahead," well, there is no escape-we shall go barging ahead.

The obligation is to move as thoughtfully as possible, to think broadly and earnestly. Now of course I'm not alone in being concerned about the onslaught of urban renewal, but I could wish that everybody would share my fright. And I could wish that many of those architects of Bacon's little story would get themselves involved in planning, and then get concerned and frightened. For, as he said, ". . . the city will continue to exist, it will continue to be the center of our culture, and it will continue to be the central problem of architecture whether the profession of architecture recognizes it or not."

-Emerson Goble



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Robert F. Hastings, F.A.I.A.

Five distinguished architects have been named to a new panel of editorial consultants to ARCHITECTURAL REC-ORD, Editor Emerson Goble has announced.

The five, who will serve for a year, are Walter Gropius, Edward Larrabee Barnes, Paul Rudolph, Robert Anshen and Robert F. Hastings. They succeed John Ely Burchard, dean of the School of Humanities and Social Studies at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who was a consulting editor to the RECORD for three years.

Addition of a panel of architect consultants to the RECORD's staff of editors and consultants is intended, Mr. Goble said, as a new aid in the perpetual effort to maintain clear and close communication with readers on their developing interests and concerns. It is hoped the panel will serve as a special kind of "voice from the audience" to provide continuing criticism and comment as well as consultation from time to time on specific editorial projects, thus usefully supplementing the RECORD's constant ordinary contacts with its readers through day-to-day conversations and correspondence as well as continuing research as to reader needs and preferences.

Walter Gropius, 79 this year, seems if possible to be increasingly active as the years go on. The work of his 16-year-old Cambridge, Mass., firm, The Architects Collaborative, extends almost literally around the world, and Gropius himself is almost as likely to be met in London, Berlin, Baghdad or Athens as in Cambridge, Boston or New York. His practice is now giving him his most significant opportunities to teach by example as well as precept. In such projects as the new university for Baghdad and his new town for GEHAG in West Berlin, he is giving their fullest architectural expression to the convictions that shaped the education of the first modern architects and their successors to this day.

Edward Larrabee Barnes, 47, has had his own practice in New York for 14 years following education at Harvard, travel in Europe, Navy service and a year's association with Henry Dreyfuss. His honors include the Yale Medal for Distinction in the Arts and the Architecture Gold Medal, Arnold W. Brunner Prize, of the American Academy of Arts and Letters and the National Institute of Arts and Letters.

Paul Rudolph, 43, has been combining education and practice since he went to Yale in 1958 as chairman of its Department of Architecture. He was educated at Alabama Polytechnic Institute and Harvard, served in the Navy during the war and travelled in Europe before beginning practice as a partner in the Sarasota, Fla., firm of Twitchell and Rudolph (1947-51). Since 1952 he has had his own firm in Sarasota and (since 1958) in New Haven. His recent honors include the Architecture Gold Medal, Arnold W. Brunner Prize of the American Academy of Arts and Letters and the National Institute of Arts and Letters.

Robert Anshen, 48, has been practicing since 1940 in partnership with William Stephen Allen (also F.A.I.A.). In its first 15 years of practice, the San Francisco firm of Anshen & Allen, architects, received more than thirty awards for design excellence, and at the same time the firm was blazing important trails toward new fields of service for architects: development housing. prefabricated building components, and even ships have been part of their work, along with more conventional commissions for office, college, research and hospital buildings. Anshen is a University of Pennsylvania graduate.

Robert F. Hastings, 47, is the one representative on the RECORD's panel of a large architectural and engineering firm. As president of Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associated, Inc., of Detroit, he is responsible for one of the largest, and his experience there since 1937 has led him to the most active interest in the education. training and practice problems that confront the architectural profession today. He is perhaps particularly concerned with the need for improving collaboration between architects and engineers. Hastings is a member both of the American Institute of Architects' Committee on the Profession and of its three-man Commission on Education.

'100 Ton' B.A.C. Cooling Tower installed in spectacular Space Needle



For a project so imaginative as Seattle's spectacular Space Needle, it is not surprising that provisions for its cooling tower also took imagination. The very nature of the Space Needle's design presented numerous restrictions in which the cooling tower would have to operate. In modern building design, it is not unusual to find rigid tower location requirements, but it is seldom that so many apply to a single structure.

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U.S. PICKS ARCHITECT BY COMPETITION

In a move which could be an indication of a new and enlightened approach to the design of Federal buildings, the General Services Administration and U.S. Bureau of Prisons have sponsored a competition for the design of a multi-million dollar psychiatric hospital complex for Federal prisoners.

Winner of the competition and a \$7000 cash award was A. L. Aydelott & Associates, Memphis, Tenn. A rendering of the winning design and plans are shown on these pages. Placing second was A. G. Odell Jr. and Associates, Charlotte, N.C.; and third, Smith, Hinchman and Grylls Inc., Detroit, Mich.

Chairman of the jury was Pietro Belluschi, F.A.I.A. Members were: Welton Becket, F.A.I.A.; Arthur H. Keyes Jr., A.I.A.; John Carl Warnecke, F.A.I.A.; James V. Bennett, director, Bureau of Prisons; Dr. Jack Masur, president, American Hospital Association; and artist William Walton. Professional adviser was L. L. Hunter, assistant commissioner for Design and Construction, Public Buildings Service. Unique problems were involved in the design. What was wanted was a combination hospital and prison, providing maximum opportunity for treatment and research in a setting affording an adequate degree of custodial security. Patients were to be housed and treated in small groups. This type of institution had never before been designed; hence the competition to which eight architectural firms were chosen to enter. In addition to the winners they were: Curtis and Davis, New Orleans; Hellmuth, Obata & Kassabaum Inc., St. Louis; Kelly and Gruzen, New York; Kemp, Bunch and Jackson, Jacksonville, Fla.; and Robert and Company, Atlanta, Ga.

The jury report saw basic design philosophy as "buildings can help the psychiatrists cure the patients." Its comments: the architect kept "the center from looking like a hospital or prison . . . developed residential character by using pitched roofs, living yards . . . considered economy through simple, one-story buildings . . . introduced the small neighborhood concept by breaking housing into three units around a 'civic center'."



Rendering of the winning design for the psychiatric hospital complex for Federal prisoners











Existing street or third level is for use of cars, taxis. Two pedestrian levels above are commercial areas around central square. Above is sixth level for recreation

COLUMBIA STUDENTS PLAN DALLAS CORE FOR CLIENT

At the request of a group of businessmen from Dallas, Texas, in the fall of 1960, the School of Architecture of Columbia University, New York, began developing a plan for the revitalization of the older section of that city, which has now been completed and turned over to the group. Welton Becket, F.A.I.A., Los Angeles, has been commissioned for future building projects.

The businessmen lent their financial support for increasing faculty salaries, sponsoring student scholarships and directly contributing to the cost of work on the project.

Making an academic problem out of an existing one, the Columbia School of Architecture used a program it contemplates in its current reorganization—"the fullest possible coordination between the disciplines of architecture and city planning." As an educational vehicle, the project combined the efforts of architects, city planners and economists and contributed to the solution of a real architectural problem.

The project, known as Main Place, encompasses 36 blocks and consists of six levels. The first is for service vehicles; the next for long-term parking (about 1000 cars); the third, for cars, shuttle buses. The next two levels, exclusively pedestrian, are commercial areas around a central square. Recreational facilities are located on the top level.

Above the multi-level base are three main building elements—the motor hotel, office tower, museum. Around the edges of the core, about which expansion will continue, are a performing arts center and several existing buildings newly linked to the project.

Participating members of the faculty and student body at Columbia's School of Architecture were-faculty: Charles R. Colbert, architect-planner; Ernest M. Fisher, economist; Stephen Carroll, urban planner; Key Kolb, designer-critic; students of architecture: Aaron Daniel, John D. Davison, Orhan Erdil, Gerald Exline, Friedrich St. Florian, James Patterson, Howard C. Pederson, Robert G. Price, Robert J. Reilly, Jack Solka, William Todd Springer, Carlisle Towery; students of planning: Noor Ahmed, Neil Robert Berzak, Stanley Ronald Friedman, Peter Garrison.

ROOF PLAN LEGEND

- Amphitheater above museum
 Office tower
- 3. Performing arts center
- 4. Motor hotel
- 5. Walkway
- 6. Dallas Sauare
- 7. Office building
- 8. Apartment tower
- 9. County buildings
- 10. Museum





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Model of Main Place, core of the Dallas development plan

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Northwest elevation of the Museum Cultural Center, Le Havre, France



Isometric section through museum

The museum's aluminum sun-screen



West elevation, looking toward library



FRENCH DESIGNERS WIN 1962 **REYNOLDS AWARD**

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Guy Lagneau, Michel Weill and Jean Dimitrijevic, principals in a Paris architectural firm bearing their names, and collaborating architect Raymond Audigier, Le Havre, have won the 1962 \$25,000 R. S. Reynolds Memorial Award for the design of the Museum Cultural Center in Le Havre, France. Jean Prouve was advisory engineer; Lafaille & Sarger, structural consultant; Gagneraud & Camus, general contractor.

John Carl Warnecke, F.A.I.A., San Francisco, was chairman of the jury of award, whose members were: Pietro Belluschi, F.A.I.A.; Lawrence Perkins, F.A.I.A., Chicago; Gyo Obata, A.I.A., St. Louis; Santiago Agurto Calvo, Honorary FA.I.A., Lima, Peru.

The Museum Cultural Center, completed in June, 1961, houses permanent and temporary exhibitions, a library, art school and an 800-seat auditorium.

The jury's three major criteria were: (1) architectural concept and solution; (2) degree of success in controlling natural light; and (3) use of aluminum in contributing to the design's success.

The jury considered the museum, whose roof and walls are sheathed in glass, as "honest, clean, well designed." Key feature cited was its effective control of natural light, achieved largely through a unique floating aluminum sunscreen over the entire skylight-glass roof, termed by the jury a "daring and unusual approach."

Aluminum-37 tons in all-was used, according to the architects, because of its lightness, quality of light diffusion, finely finished surfaces and resistance to corrosion in Le Havre's oceanside environment. Besides the sunscreen, aluminum was used for structural frame sheathing. wall and door panels, fittings and a door 23-ft high and 10-ft wide.



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OFFICE BUILDING CONTINUES STRONG UPWARD TREND

AFTER A MILD SETBACK in 1961, office building appears to have resumed the strong upward trend which has characterized this type of construction throughout most of the postwar period. Contract awards in the first quarter of 1962 rose a solid 19 per cent over their year-earlier level, easily setting a record high for the period.

One of the interesting facets of present-day office construction is its geographical dispersion. New skyscrapers, though still concentrated in New York and Chicago, are sprouting in other parts of the country, particularly Texas and California. The middle-size cities and metropolitan areas have been getting into the act too. Rochester, New York, for example, recently celebrated the completion of the first large privately-owned office building in its downtown area in over 30 years. According to last year's Dodge figures, the Middle Atlantic region, including the metropolitan areas of New York, Philadelphia, and Washington, D.C., accounted for about 27 per cent of total dollar volume of office building contracts. But a good part of this was very high-priced construction. In terms of square footage, the middle Atlantic states were responsible for only 21 per cent, while the 11 Western states took first place among the eight Dodge regions with 25 per cent of total physical volume.

BASIC DEMAND FACTORS behind the postwar boom in office construction are still operative and support a hopeful outlook for the future. Despite the addition of about 450 million sq ft of new office space in the last six years, vacancy rates across the country have shown only a modest rise. Office building cannot help but benefit from the increasing proportion of trade, financial, and service activity in the economy and the growth of "whitecollar" work relative to farm and manufacturing employment. Projections of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics indicate that jobs in the "white-collar" trades will rise from 43 per cent of total civilian employment in 1960 to 47 per cent by 1975. Over the same period, the number of such workers is expected to expand by 13 million.

There are, of course, a few clouds on the office building horizon. One of them is the possibility of tax revision which would make commercial projects somewhat less attractive to investors. In such case, out-and-out speculative building in some areas would be curtailed. However, the speculative element here is probably less than popularly conceived. Plans for most new office buildings are not completed until the owners have located at least their major tenants, and the generally conservative judgment of the lending institutions acts as a check on commercial building operations. Despite the threat of more burdensome taxation, the office building boom is likely to continue throughout the Sixties.

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ARCHITECTS CHALLENGED TO LEAD PUBLIC ATTITUDE AND PUBLIC POLICY TO NEW DEMAND FOR BEAUTY

Never an architect was among the speakers at the First Conference on Esthetic Responsibility sponsored by the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects; but the 21 speakers from the arts and letters, business, labor and government kept reminding architects that theirs are the crucial voices in the great and small debates that collectively determine the visual quality of the human environment.

An unheralded young speaker from Washington, Daniel P. Moynihan Jr., Special Assistant to the Secretary of Labor, unexpectedly turned out to make the important speech of the day, giving the first public description of a developing new Federal policy on architecture (key excerpts, page 28) which would deliberately seek to embody in public buildings the finest efforts of the best contemporary architects.

Mr. Moynihan, who also explicitly advised architects to become as effective a lobby for architecture as doctors are for medicine or lawyers for law, has been assisting Secretary Arthur J. Goldberg in the work of a Cabinet-level committee named last summer by the President to look into building space requirements of the Federal Government. Under Secretary Goldberg's chairmanship, the committee broadened the scope of the assignment to encompass all Federal building policy, and an official statement is expected to be issued shortly.

The conference was organized as the inaugural effort of the New York Chapter's Design Committee, pilot unit for such committees to be set up by A.I.A. chapters throughout the country, following the direction of last year's A.I.A. convention resolution. Purpose, as stated at the conference by Committee Chairman Richard W. Snibbe: to inspire "community activity to fight our country's ugliness."

Nearly 500 people, only a quarter of them architects, paid \$35 each to attend the day-long conference, held April 3 at New York's Hotel Plaza. There were almost one hundred representatives of the arts, 27 of business firms, ten from government and 31 from institutions; also 72 from the press, including reporters from St. Louis and Washington, D.C. newspapers as well as New York newspapers and magazines. Architects came from as far away as Florida, Texas and Oklahoma.

No proposals were sought from the conference, but Mr. Snibbe at the end of the day presented a "plan for action in the fight against ugliness" which appealed for the establishment this summer of Design Committees in every chapter of the A.I.A. to lead in the formation of broad citizens' Committees on Esthetic Responsibility throughout the nation. The citizens' committees would serve to arouse public awareness of esthetics and of the possibilities open to the public of influencing the quality of its environment.

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1939	123.5	122.4	130.7	133.4	130.1	86.3	83.1	95.1	97.4	94.7
1949	243.7	240.8	242.8	246.6	240.0	189.3	189.9	180.6	180.8	177.5
1950	256.2	254.5	249.5	251.5	248.0	194.3	196.2	185.4	183.7	185.0
1951	273.2	271.3	263.7	274.9	271.8	212.8	214.6	204.2	202.8	205.0
1952	278.2	274.8	271.9	265.2	262.2	218.8	221.0	212.8	210.1	214.3
1953	281.3	277.2	281.0	286.0	282.0	223.0	224.6	221.3	221.8	223.0
1954	285.0	278.2	293.0	300.6	295.4	219.6	219.1	233.5	225.2	225.4
1955	293.1	286.0	300.0	308.3	302.4	225.3	225.1	229.0	231.5	231.8
1956	310.8	302.2	320.1	328.6	324.5	237.2	235.7	241.7	244.4	246.4
1957	318.5	308.3	333.1	345.2	339.8	241.2	239.0	248.7	252.1	254.7
1958	328.0	315.1	348.6	365.4	357.3	243.9	239.8	255.7	261.9	262.0
1959	342.7	329.0	367.7	386.8	374.1	252.2	247.7	266.1	272.7	273.1
1960	351.6	337.2	377.7	395.8	380.6	259.2	253.3	274.7	282.5	278.8
1961	362.5	343.0	398.2	422.4	397.0	256.7	249.7	275.8	284.5	275.8
December 1961	364.1	342.2	405.3	431.4	403.4	257.3	250.8	276.0	284.4	274.3
January 1962	365.1	343.5	407.1	432.5	405.7	260.0	253.0	279.8	288.9	278.0
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1949	221.4	220.7	212.8	215.7	213.6	213.0	207.1	214.0	219.8	216.1
1950	232.8	230.7	221.9	225.3	222.8	227.0	223.1	222.4	224.5	222.6
1951	252.0	248.3	238.5	240.9	239.0	245.2	240.4	239.6	243.1	243.1
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1953	263.4	256.4	259.0	267.0	259.2	255.2	257.2	256.6	261.0	259.7
1954	266.6	260.2	263.7	273.3	266.2	257.4	249.2	264.1	272.5	267.2
1955	273.3	266.5	272.2	281.3	276.5	268.0	259.0	275.0	284.4	279.6
1956	288.7	280.3	287.9	299.2	293.3	279.0	270.0	288.9	298.6	295.8
1957	292.0	283.4	295.2	307.1	302.9	286.3	274.4	302.9	315.2	310.7
1958	297.0	278.9	304.9	318.4	313.8	289.8	274.9	311.5	326.7	320.8
1959	305.4	296.4	315.0	329.8	323.9	299.2	284.4	322.7	338.1	330.1
1960	311.4	301.0	322.2	337.2	329.2	305.5	288.9	335.3	352.2	342.3
1961	315.1	302.0	329.0	346.8	332.2	308.7	290.2	345.1	362.9	350.2
December 1961	317.8	304.1	334.8	352.7	336.4	310.8	291.4	350.4	368.2	354.0
January 1962	319.2	304.9	336.6	355.5	337.7	310.8	291.4	350.4	368.2	354.0
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52 ARCHITECTURAL RECORD May 1962 Then: costs in A are approximately 16 per cent higher than in B.

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Louis Kahn has received the highest honor of the Philadelphia Art Alliance, its Medal of Achievement. Mr. Kahn, who has been consultant architect to the United States Housing Authority, the Philadelphia Housing Authority, Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority and City Planning Commission, was presented the medal and a lapel pin replica by Lawrence H. Eldredge, Art Alliance president, at the organization's 47th annual meeting in March.

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Mr. Kahn, before the presentation, had just returned to Philadelphia from Europe where he gave the annual discourse to members of the Royal Institute of British Architects in London.

Edward Durell Stone of New York has received the Gold Medal of the National Institute of Social Sciences "for his distinguished services to humanity." Mr. Stone was the first architect to receive the medal.

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News of Architects

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Eero Saarinen, who will be the posthumous recipient of the 1962 Gold Medal of the American Institute of Architects at the A.I.A.'s Dallas convention in May, has been honored twice more. The New York Chapter of the A.I.A. gave him its 1962 Gold Medal and the twelfth annual Trail Blazer Award of the New York Chapter of the National Home Fashions League was presented in commemoration of his work. Mrs. Saarinen accepted both awards.

Morris Ketchum Jr., of New York has succeeded Harmon H. Goldstone as president of New York's Municipal Arts Society. Mr. Ketchum, A.I.A. regional director for New York, was recipient in February of the President's Award of Columbia University's Architectural Alumni Association, given for "outstanding accomplishment in the field of design."

Charles William Eliot 2nd, professor of city and regional planning in the Harvard Graduate School of Design, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Award of the American Institute of Planners. He was cited as "public official, practicing city and regional planner, landscape architect and teacher, for his distinguished service to the Nation, the Federal City, and communities in Massachusetts, Virginia and California."

Lawrence Wolfe of the Pittsburgh Chapter of the American Institute of Architects has been selected as one of 15 outstanding citizens of western Pennsylvania to be honored by the Methodist Church Union. He was honored for his "constant influence of Christian principles in community and church life."

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"Modern Methods in Construction Control" is the subject of the second program—June 18-22. This session has been planned in answer to demands from the construction industry for a working knowledge of new techniques for planning, scheduling and controlling complex engineering subjects. The critical path method will be covered, also program evaluation and review technique and linear programming.

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$4.6\sqrt{5,000} = 325$ psi.

The allowable loads in chart at right are based on a stress of 300 psi, so the design load must be corrected by 300 ÷ 325 which gives 11,500 lb. From chart a load of 11,500 lb. on an area of 30 sq. in. requires a slab about $7\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick.

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1. Holyoke Center at Harvard University

NEW WORK OF SERT, JACKSON AND GOURLEY

Two buildings at Harvard, and the United States Embassy in Baghdad, are a major fulfillment of this firm's strong design ideas

Windows and Walls: An Approach to Design

by José Luis Sert

"As more elements of fenestration develop . . . the architect may be able to play, if not always a better tune, at least a more animated one."

When looking at the clusters of buildings in our cities, the patterns of windows and walls that constitute the fronts of these buildings, or their façades, are what we see most. Roof lines are high up, and structure is very often hidden, but walls, curtain or otherwise, stare us in the eye.

Masonry, beautiful and textured, is rare today: it is inflexible, heavy, labor consuming and expensive. In other times plain masonry walls with well proportioned windows could be dignified and beautiful. The traditional bearing walls limited the size and positioning of windows. The Renaissance added useless, though sometimes sculpturally beautiful, appendices, in columns, pilasters and moldings of all sorts. Unrelated to materials or the nature and setting of the building, the same forms were made of stucco, stone, brick, for all climates, all countries. The Renaissance invented the masks hiding the real faces of the buildings and the expression of their interior life.

By contrast, it is interesting to observe the freedom in fenestration in the farms and villages, where no architect was at hand and human needs dictated the positioning and sizes of openings in walls. There is in these buildings a relation between such openings and the best views, the sun, the prevailing winds, and the nature and use of rooms. Their shapes and proportions are generally determined by the human figure, standing or seated and looking out. They open to the beauties of the landscape, to life and pedestrian movements in the streets, to the quiet of the cloister or the garden, to the distant horizon and the setting sun. They are the eyes of the buildings. Life comes to the interiors through them with daylight, sun or moonlight, breezes and noises and the smell of things alive.

For thousands of years, from the doors of the caves up to relatively recently, all windows, with the exception of the stained glass in cathedrals and other exotic types, served the triple function of providing light, ventilation, and view. It was only with the lightening of structures, with the introduction of steel and concrete skeletons that transformed the nature of walls from bearing walls to non-bearing partitions, curtain or screen walls, that the window could be radically transformed and its triple function re-examined.

Glass and light panels of varied kinds had, in the meantime, become available. Large sheets of glass gave birth to the "picture" window. Wide views, incorporating the outside into the inside, became a "selling feature" even in homes where there was no view. Only small portions of these large windows needed to be opened for ventilation. This established a partial separation of the functions of view and light from that of ventilation.

In office buildings, glass, with its wonderful qualities of lightness and easy maintenance, soon took over completely, and the all-glass front came into being. Only light metal frames were needed to hold glass together and to provide bracing effects against winds, and anchors for interior partitioning. The curtain walls of metal and glass have made the rounds of the world by now. They are visual evidence of U.S. influence in the remotest cities, like "Coke" ads and blue-jeans. Curtain walls for office buildings, with modules that repeat from bottom to skyline (even masking mechanical equipment on roofs), have wide acceptance. They are the façades of anonymity. They serve the average bureaucrat, whatever his work is, whatever his likes or dislikes for privacy, view, or sunlight. They are grouped in continuous lines or checkerboard patterns. The architect selects one window type and repeats it in all directions. The resulting music has the limitatons of that which could be played on a guitar with one string.

We still need walls and windows of some kind, square miles of them, in our growing cities. Can we not find a more varied architectural vocabulary that will permit greater variety? We should at least try.

Le Corbusier made a great contribution in 1933 with the invention of the *brise-soleil*. The varieties in his designs are a consequence of the orientation of the buildings and changes in the path of the sun. A lively plastic expression can result from these sunbreakers in changing light and shadow, as they are not superimposed as meaningless decoration, but become an integral part of the biological structure of the building.

Air conditioned buildings do not require opening ventilation elements. Whenever these are necessary, they need not be treated as part of the windows and can be built in opaque materials such as wood or metal. Their positioning and shape need be adequate for their ventilating function only, separating this function from that of lighting or view. Such ventilator panels can provide a new accent of color and another element to compose with.

The screen wall serves more for lighting than viewing purposes, but if it is not broken by viewing elements of a size related to human measure it becomes an abstract scaleless pattern that masks the real face of the building. The question still remains of how much view we want, how much of the outside it is interesting to bring inside. Beautiful views are rare. Nature is often hostile to man in winter and summer. The urban landscape is often unsightly and uninteresting. There is also the question of privacy and how much we want to be seen. Many people like to live in disorder. How much do we want to see of that disorder from the street? Do light and view have to be taken together? Good, even natural, lighting in rooms is necessary and agreeable, but large glass areas give excess lighting near windows and, by contrast, the opposite walls appear black. Masonry and glass, like the black and white in a picture, represent the extremes. There can be a wide range of grays in between.

Usually screening is obtained by use of movable blinds or draperies, but these are made of perishable materials and are costly to maintain. Tinted glass has been used as a filter, but it alters the natural colors of things and, like tinted eye-glasses, it is disturbing if it is not removable. The white light that contains all colors is irreplaceable. The Japanese found in their white paper screen walls light filters and diffusers that have a definite function. We can find a less perishable equivalent in our modern buildings in diffuser or light filter walls made of other materials. Walls can be translucent without being transparent, and translucent walls can be designed for varied intensities of light. They can provide filtered, diffused light which can be measured in intensity. They can cut down heat penetration and heat losses, and consequently, air conditioning and cleaning costs. Besides, they provide a new element in our facade vocabulary, a bridge between solid opaque materials, masonry or others, and transparent glass-a series of grays between black and white.

Transparent areas can then become viewers only. Their scale, the human scale, can be re-established in the varying sizes of windows with no additional dead weight and no reduction in good lighting. The functions of seeing and lighting are thus separated. Shadow patterns moving through these filter walls provide animation. The Japanese were well aware of these possibilities and made good use of them in their paper screen walls. The translucent wall has not been explored as it should, and it offers a vast field for research and application of modern materials and techniques.

The growth and rebuilding of cities demands a more complete and varied vocabulary. The younger generation of architects is well aware of this, and painful efforts are being made to do more with very little. The poor results are only too evident. As more elements of fenestration develop, however, the architect may be able to play, if not always a better tune, at least a more animated one. Our urban landscapes will become less dull, life behind walls more pleasant. Abstract patterns may be replaced by others where the human scale that was present in the traditional windows may reappear.



"Walls can be translucent without being transparent . . . transparent areas can then become viewers only. The human scale can be re-established in the varying sizes of windows. . . . Shadow patterns moving through these filter walls provide animation." *Above*: fenestration on tenth floor, Holyoke Center. *Below*: module permits flexible use of translucent and transparent glass





Holyoke Center alters Harvard's skyline on the Charles River



Above: pedestrian arcade and open spaces are paved in red brick, and are of a scale carefully related to the spaces formed by the older campus structures. Only the portion to the left of the center line has been completed so far. The shopping element to the south has not been constructed

Below: plan of Harvard campus. Holyoke Center is adjacent to Harvard Yard at right



Holyoke Center: Design in Relation to Site

Harvard University's Holyoke Center was conceived as a development of the only block between Massachusetts Avenue and Mount Auburn Street that is entirely owned by the University. The project has taken into consideration the total utilization of the block, opening up its center for pedestrian circulation, and providing a series of open spaces that link to those of the quadrangles beyond Massachusetts Avenue and Mount Auburn Street. The dimensioning and landscaping of these open spaces and the prevailing brick textured sidewalks establish a visual continuity between the old and the new.

The plan of the Office and Health Center block is H-shaped. A covered arcade runs through the block under the cross-bar of the H. The portion now built, approximately half of the total project, includes also only half of the planned arcade. This arcade will be the most animated area of the block. The main entrances to the office floors and the Health Center open on the arcade, as do several shops. A portion of the arcade is a bridge over the ramp feeding the emergency entrance of the Health Center. When the other half of the building is completed, the arcade will bridge over a ramp leading to the front entrance of the underground twostory garage.

The light conditions on the neighboring streets have been carefully considered, and the higher parts of the building are set back from both Mount Auburn Street and Massachusetts Avenue. The link between them is placed towards the center of the block to provide better lighting conditions on Dunster and Holyoke Streets.

In as much as the project was conceived as a totality, the proportions of the building will appear quite different when the other half is built; until then many of the existing elements cannot be properly appreciated or used. The Holyoke Center, once finished, will be directly accessible and plainly visible from the Harvard Square area. The arcade in the center will be directly linked to the University, and the subway and bus facilities.

The section of Holyoke Center now built comprises the health services for the Harvard and Radcliffe faculties and students, and above them, four floors of offices mainly occupied by Harvard College, and one penthouse floor of meeting rooms with dining facilities served from a central basement kitchen. The portion of the structure to be built in the second phase will be used for offices and meeting rooms, shops, and the Cambridge Trust Company's offices.





Completed wing

Holyoke Center

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts ARCHITECTS: Sert, Jackson and Gourley, Joseph Zalewski and John E. Nickols, associates CONSULTING ENGINEERS: Cleverdon, Varney and Pike ACOUSTIC ENGINEERS: Bolt, Beranek and Newman, Inc. LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS: Sasaki, Walker and Associates SOIL MECHANICS CONSULTANT: Arthur Casagrande SPECIFICATIONS: Simpson, Gumpertz and Heger, Inc. GENERAL CONTRACTOR: George A. Fuller Co.

Pedestrian arcade









Elevator penthouse

Sert, Jackson and Gourley: Holyoke Center

Examination room. Doors of cabinet close to admit more light through a pair of translucent panels on opposite sides





Dome over Health Center waiting area affords a dramatic upward view and brightens space with daylight

Library





The meditation room stands alone on the third floor. Projections at second story level hold small desks

Robert Harvey

2. World Religions Center, Harvard University

Center for the Study of World Religions Harvard University Divinity School Cambridge, Massachusetts ARCHITECTS: Sert, Jackson and Gourley, Joseph Zalewski and John E. Nickols, associates STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Goldberg, LeMessurier and Associates ACOUSTIC ENGINEERS: Bolt, Beranek and Newman, Inc. LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS: Sasaki, Walker and Associates, Inc. ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS: Thompson Engineering Co. HEATING AND VENTILATING ENGINEERS: Reardon and Turner SPECIFICATIONS: Simpson, Gumpertz and Heger, Inc. GENERAL CONTRACTOR: John F. Griffin Co.





Typical living room



Interior courtyard and garden






Reception hall near main entrance



Of special interest is the roof chapel, or meditation room, which is bare of ornament and concentrates on the one universal symbol—light. It is so designed that particular groups may introduce the symbols appropriate to their own religious observances

Two years ago a new program was established at Harvard University for the study of world religions. The Center, which was completed in September 1961, is associated with this program. In particular, it offers students of different faiths the opportunity of supplementing classroom studies by living together and thus becoming acquainted with various aspects of Christian life and thought. In addition students in related fields have been welcomed to a residence in the belief that there may be fruitful discussion between students of different faiths and those interested in different aspects of the study of religion. Students in residence during this first year represent countries. such as India, Pakistan, Burma, Japan, Taiwan and the United Arab Republic, as well as the United States.

The three wings of the building are gathered around an interior cloistered garden which may remind many students of similar buildings in their homeland. The students and their families occupy self-contained apartments, each with its own kitchen, thus making it possible for the observance of special dietary regulations.

The building is constructed of reinforced concrete, with brick and wood used as nonbearing walls, effecting a blending into the local New England scene, a predominantly residential neighborhood of detached one family houses. Particular care was taken to preserve the existing trees and shrubs.

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3. United States Embassy, Baghdad

OWNER: Department of State, U.S. Government ARCHITECTS: Sert, Jackson and Gourley, Joseph Zalewski and John E. Nickols, associates SUPERVISING ARCHITECTS: P. E. D. Hirst, R. W. Harrington, J. Brian Cooper, F.R.I.B.A. STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: Paul Weidlinger MECHANICAL ENGINEERS: General Engineering Associates LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS: Sasaki and Novak SPECIFICATIONS CONSULTANT: Werner H. Gumpertz GENERAL CONTRACTOR: Shahin and Janabi, General Construction Co., Ltd.

Office building. Entrance detail

New Work of Sert, Jackson and Gourley

The long narrow site became a series of courtlike spaces, separated and partially enclosed by the surrounding buildings. These buildings define the functional role of each open space. The siting of the office building creates the formal entrance required for official purposes. The long court behind it provides a vista and forms a spatial contrast with the enclosed smaller interior court. The walks and canal lead under the staff housing to a recreational court which is framed by the staff housing and the dike. This court contains a swimming pool and tennis court. The dike serves as a natural division between the various parts of the compound and the residence of the ambassador. The trees, both on this site and on the neighboring estates, provide necessary shade and help define outdoor spaces. The planting was largely determined by utilizing the existing clumps of trees and planting new specimens to shape space



Design of the new U.S. Embassy in Baghdad was shaped by the site, the sun, the river, and the trees. The Tigris River is the focus of the design as well as the means of irrigation. The ambassador's area in the office building, the terraces of the staff housing, and the principal rooms of the residence are oriented toward the river and the view of the Old City beyond. The irrigation canal runs as a backbone down the length of the site, feeding the various pools and gardens and providing a strong unifying feature for the landscape design. The architects use of pools, canals, and gardens was influenced by the long, local tradition in warm climate building.

The local principle of double roofs was improved upon by the techniques of modern construction. These double roofs are very effective in preventing the excessive accumulation of heat in the buildings. Each building has its own special roof shield. The office building, for an example, has a flat tile roof over the accordion roof which permits air to flow through the troughs. (See photographs, next page). Each floor in turn is sheltered from the direct rays of the sun by a projecting floor or roof above it. The use of shuttered windows, screens, and deeply recessed openings in each of the Baghdad Embassy buildings is in character with traditional Middle Eastern methods of sun protection.



Office building. Main entrance façade







Office building. End view, two wings define court



Staff housing. Double roof for protection against heat is formed by a series of high vaults under a flat tile roof. Air passes between the two roofs by means of louvers between each pair of vaults

Sert, Jackson and Gourley: United States Embassy, Baghdad



STAFF HOUSING: SECOND FLOOR PLAN



1. Kitchen 2. Bath

4. Bedroom

3. Living-Dining Room









Canal extends under staff housing to a recreational court





Ambassador's residence. It is protected from the sun by a hyperbolic paraboloidal parasol, which forms a reflecting sun shade and allows free air circulation below. Servants wing to right of photograph









Entrance façade

Ambassador's residence. Broad terrace and generous windows afford view of the Tigris



Sert, Jackson and Gourley: United States Embassy, Baghdad



Ambassador's residence Utility building



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AN OPEN PAVILION FOR INFORMATION ON A FAIR

Seattle World's Fair owner: General Insurance Company of America Architects: Austin Associates Charles B. Whitmore, project architect Robert Barger, project designer CONTRACTOR: McCann Construction Company

Completely open on four sides to a height of eight ft so as to permit—and invite—free circulation through it, this pavilion is the information center for the Seattle World's Fair, which opened last month. Ten curved laminated wood beams, supported on columns and attached to a ridge member which incorporates a plastic skylight, form the pavilion's structure; coral-colored synthetic fabric, vinyl coated, is spread over the beams to act as roofing. Heating for cool days and evenings is from an electric radiant heating panel in the center of the concrete floor slab.











NEW DINING AREAS COMPLEMENT OLD BUILDINGS

The new buildings at Asilomar have undeniable advantages in their beautiful site with its windswept trees, white sand dunes and clear view of the ocean and, since they are additions to existing buildings, in the architectural precedent which they complement. Like Julia Morgan's 40-year-old buildings on the conference grounds (still used for this purpose, now as part of the California Beaches and Parks program), the recent additions use local stone, redwood and shingles to achieve a strong affinity with the site. The first new units were sleeping rooms (see ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, March 1960). The latest are additions to Crocker Hall, the original 600-seat dining hall. With the addition of two pavilion-like dining areas-Woodland, facing a cypress and pine forest, and Seascape, on the dunes under pine trees-the seating capacity has been increased to 830. The old kitchen has been replaced with a completely new structure. Old and new elements of the dining group relate to each other with facile grace.

Asilomar Beach State Park, Pacific Grove, Calif. OWNER: The Pacific Grove-Asilomar Operating Corp. ARCHITECTS: John Carl Warnecke and Associates LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT: Mike Painter STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: Stefan Medwadowski MECHANICAL ENGINEER: Kasin, Guttman & Assoc. ELECTRICAL ENGINEER: A. S. Malayan SOILS ENGINEER: Cooper & Clark KITCHEN CONSULTANT: Fred Schmidt Associates GENERAL CONTRACTOR: Harold C. Geyer



Roger Sturtevant photos





DISPLAY PAVILION FOR NEW LAND DEVELOPMENT

This delightful pavilion is the visitor's introduction to a 2200-acre residential development on the rolling hills of a peninsula 21 miles north of San Francisco. The pavilion functions as an informal reception center for information and maps of the development, and the displays in its glass-walled lounge are an invitation to enter. Wide overhangs shield from sun and glare, but the interior is well lighted from the centrally-placed bronze lantern at the apex of the hipped roof. A broad deck of wood planks and simple landscaping make an easy transition between the sophisticated pavilion and its natural setting.

Marin Bay, near San Rafael, Calif. OWNER: Latipac-Perini Company ARCHITECTS: Bay Group Associates Daniel H. Bushnell, architect Lun Chan Ichiro Sasaki, architect Camiel Van der Weghe, architect LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS: Eckbo, Dean & Williams STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Chin & Hensolt CONTRACTOR: Latipac-Perini Company



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PRIVATE CLUB DESIGNED FOR VARIED ACTIVITY

Laminated wood beams formed on a catenary curve and carried on a reinforced concrete frame give this small private club in Denver, Colo., a distinctive silhouette and provide column-free interior space for the assembly room and stage which are the building's principal area. Since the club's program varies from banquets and staged productions to small group classes, the space was designed for flexible use. Lounge and assembly are separated only by folding shutter panels, painted white. Although excellent for accessibility and identification, the corner site posed problems of privacy and lighting. The masonry walls along the street side of the building are solid up to 10 ft; clerestory windows above that point bring natural light into the assembly room. Along the building's front, where floorto-ceiling glass is used to admit daylight to the lounge, a narrow planting strip and a brick grill serve to add apparent width to the lounge and to shield the club interior from passers-by.

The Woman's Club of Denver

ARCHITECTS: W. C. Muchow Associates STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Ketchum and Konkel ELECTRICAL ENGINEER: Swanson, Rink & Associates MECHANICAL ENGINEER: M. S. Wilson CONTRACTOR: Dow-Ammon Builders



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YACHT CLUB BUILT OVER SAN FRANCISCO BAY

The exhilarating look of this club building for the Sausalito Yacht Club is due partly to its vaulted roof, partly to its perch on pilings in San Francisco Bay. Approach to the clubhouse is by bridge from land and by stairway from the boat float on the water side. Because this was a budget job—\$35,000 for the building proper, \$12,000 additional for utilities, for ramp and moorings—simplicity of construction and flexibility of use were important factors in design. The 56-ft long barrel vaults of $^{3}_{4}$ -in. plywood, spaced 11 ft o.c., act as both beams and roof; their curved surfaces minimize direct reflection of sunlight and offer an interesting view for hill residents. Exterior walls are plywood painted blue and white. The large club room can be partitioned or can be used entire for dances and dinners. Sausalito Yacht Club Sausalito, Calif. ARCHITECT: Theodore T. Boutmy George Kosmak, consultant STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: John E. Brown CONTRACTOR: H. D. Grae



CRITERIA FOR URBAN RENEWAL

A famous authority in city planning and housing says we should be more careful what we tear down, more careful what we build, and asks for a new determination of our goals for the city

by Charles Abrams, Housing Consultant

The urban planning process is relatively young, the disciplines are in the process of formation, the experts few, all of them still groping for solutions. These "solutions" have burst forth upon the urban scene, have been urged as panaceas and have as quickly faded or been subordinated. They have included such things as master planning, the self-contained neighborhood, slum clearance, industrial dispersion, new towns, restrictive legislation such as zoning and rent control, and, more recently, urban renewal. Each concept seems to have been borrowed from one country or another. But as yet few countries have envisioned the urban problem in all of its ramifications.

It is less than a quarter of a century since the U. S. advanced from the general orientation of building on 20- to 100-ft urban lots to acquiring land for large-scale projects by compulsory purchase. The fragmented lots and individual ownership which had plagued Europe as well as America gave way to the assemblage and construction of larger units, intended to create their own environments. Simultaneously the builder who in 1940 had built an average of only four houses a year now began to build developments running as high as one thousand houses as part of a single development. With FHA public housing and urban renewal, we have begun to build new larger projects with which we have had virtually no experience, and such experience has been lacking particularly in the case of city projects.

In the wake of these developments, slums, described as cancerous growths, are being cut away in large swaths from coast to coast; some of these growths benign, some of them malignant, some of them just a few black spots, some of them just gas. The techniques of urban surgery are new, with the surgeons a first-generation knife-happy group of politicians and professionals either in the public service or selling their talents for a fee (for which they cannot be blamed).

Surgery has put cities on the critical list, for unlike prior eras, when buildings were no more than four or six stories in height, and when the product could be demolished without too great a loss, we are today building irrevocably. Frank Lloyd Wright said a surgeon could bury his mistakes but an architect could only cover his with ivy. The new projects being built can't even take ivy. Stuyvesant Town, the public housing projects, the widened streets, the parks or the lack of them, the blocking up of our rivers, are long-lasting commitments that can no longer be easily corrected. They will be dominant and continuing and will lastingly condition the developments built around them in the future.

Simultaneously, unlike the situation 150 years ago, when New York City was planned exclusively by and for private enterprise, cities are posed for the first time to condition and manipulate their new environments. So that the power to do lasting good or harm has come to us before we have really determined with a finality what is best for cities. The costly and permanent projects erected today and in the future will remain as monuments either to urban health or to urban paralysis. The task to which we must dedicate ourselves at this time, therefore, is to define the criteria which should govern these critical developments.

This requires, first of all, an understanding of what a city is. Up to now, planning philosophy has been dominated by a group of planning philosophers who have maintained that cities are dead or dying and that the only salvation for people is to create new towns outside while allowing the old ones to rot. A city, however, is more than a set of arteries; it has a soul in its body politic. To create an environment on vacant land in Brasilia, Chandigarh, Radburn or Levittown is one thing; to destroy or create something in the heart of a city is another. A city is still the pulsating product of man, reflecting his history, his struggle for freedom, his genius, his selfishness and his errors. When we remake or destroy existing cities, we tamper with a palimpsest on which man's story is written. Unless there are criteria upon which to judge what is being added to the city, we have no right to judge it at all. It has values as well as slums, a voice as well as a rumble of cars, a voice that speaks the hope and frustrations of its people, of those who built a picture window, planted a tree, fought a pitched battle for a play street, created a coffee house that after a dozen failures caught on; it is a composite of trials and defeats, of settlement houses and institutions, of aspirations and memories, all of which constitute its serried composite.

The criteria for design are more than building a public housing or an urban renewal project here and there. At least the following criteria should rule.

FIRST, WE MUST BE CAREFUL WHAT WE DESTROY. The demolition of a functioning neighborhood is the demolition of houses people live in, of all the associations that are part of it; it means the forced withdrawal of children from a school, the dispersion of those who attend its churches, settlements and synagogues; the removal of its stores, which is often the removal of part of its life. We cannot always replace all this by a project. When we destroy and rebuild, therefore, it is better to graft on to what is valid. First Houses, the first public housing project in America, was not the work of an architectural genius, but is far better than Fort Greene. It was set within the neighborhood, not superimposed upon it. With more than \$1.5 billion of housing, we have not yet learned the lesson of our first project. I was gratified by what Commissioner Felt told the City Council to the effect that the city would no longer use the bulldozer approach against neighborhoods. But what a toll has been taken in the last twenty years! And is the future secure, unless a firm commitment is made?

SECOND, WE MUST BE MORE SCRUPULOUS ABOUT WHAT WE BUILD. Many old houses in New York are better in standard than the new multiple dwellings that are being built. This is as true of most of the private projects as of those built under the new urban renewal law, and even of some public housing projects. Private projects crowd the land in order to produce the maximum number of dwellings with the minimum outlay. The fact that some of the six-story buildings being put up in New York are far worse than those that are being torn down has led to a responsible public reaction against such new dwellings which should not be ignored.

As for urban renewal projects, the write-down on land cost should normally facilitate the best product an architect can devise. At a write-down of land to \$5 a square foot, we could build a varied community composed of very low terraced housing, a few higher multiple dwellings, some stores and institutions, all of which could compose an interesting village within the city. I would even favor writing down the land cost to zero to gain such neighborhoods. But the trouble is that no matter how far the land is written down, the developer will still go as high as he possibly can to work up the maximum rent roll and the maximum profit.

The city could restrain him, but cities in the United States are party to his motives. They are trying to produce this very maximum rent roll in order to boost taxes, and all the urban renewal reports I have read in the United States boast that existing projects are paying five to ten times what was received in taxes on the old site. One result of this is that neighborhoods like Greenwich Village and the upper East Side vigorously oppose private new buildings of any kind and favor keeping those built one hundred years ago.

As for public housing, the aim laid down by Federal law seems to be that for the poor, minimum new accommodations must be the rule; minimum amenities, minimum room sizes, maximum heights and minimum cost. This has been a mistake, because while these buildings will continue forever, they will not necessarily be rented to the lowest income group forever, nor should they be. Families whose incomes rise in Federal projects should simply pay increased rents and pending Federal legislation, thanks to Housing and Home Finance Agency Administrator Robert Weaver, aims to rectify this error.

THIRD, ANY PROJECT, PRIVATE, PUBLICLY ASSISTED OR PUBLIC, MUST LEAVE ROOM FOR THE OCCUPANTS TO ADD SOMETHING OF THEIR OWN TO IT. Many current projects because of their sheer size impose a neighborhood strait jacket upon the people without giving them a chance to improve their neighborhoods and create something that reflects their own contribution, efforts and personalities.

FOURTH, A PROJECT MUST NOT BE SIMILAR TO OTHER PROJECTS BUT MUST CONTRIBUTE TO THE CITY'S DIVER-SITY. What is happening in New York City is the superimposition of multiple dwellings of the same type; as the projects grow larger the patterns are simply repeated, while existing foci of interest are destroyed. In a big city, there must be escape hatches within it, with variations that provide as many options as possible for novelty and variations. In this sense, the removal of the Aquarium from Battery Park was a mistake.

FIFTH, ANY NEW BUILDING MUST GIVE ITS OCCUPANTS A FEELING OF BELONGING: i.e., its belonging to them or their belonging to it. There are some old neighborhoods in New York where this is true and it is these neighborhoods where the opposition to destruction is most vocal.

SIXTH, NEW BUILDING MUST HARMONIZE WITH THE VOICE OF THE CITY. This means that it must look and feel as if it were part of the city, and not be so overpowering in its dimension that we avoid it.

SEVENTH, IT MUST LEAVE ROOM FOR SOMETHING TO GROW AROUND IT, so that what is around it can become better. This has not been the case in public housing projects nor even in places like Stuyvesant Town, which are insulated from the neighborhoods by wide streets and have done very little to spark adjoining improvements.

EIGHTH, NEW BUILDING MUST BE ATTRACTIVE TO PEO-PLE. Most definitions of architecture associate buildings with beauty, but as any man knows, beauty is too often overrated. The beauty contest winner is not always the most functional after marriage, nor the most attractive against the erosion of years. The museum or the library that exacts the climbing of a flight of stairs to reach the Greek pillars is beautiful but not attractive; Times Square may not be beautiful but *is* attractive.

NINTH, IT MUST ENHANCE WALKABILITY. The city's effort to maintain its dignity against the inroads of the wheel goes back to Caesar, who forbade vehicles to enter Rome's streets except at night. The city's problems are no easier today when carriages are bulkier, faster, more numerous, and more dangerous.

Though we now take the automobile for granted, there is still something arrogant about a chap of only one hundred and fifty pounds and three cubic feet propelling a contrivance fifteen times his weight and ten times his size, past other human beings, at a speed a dozen times their capacity to dodge it. It is a thousand times as arrogant when a thousand such contrivances whiz in and out of our main streets, forcing other chaps to take cover and taking the life of one American every fourteen minutes. Fear of accidents has motivated families with children to head for the suburbs, and they won't come back until their kids are grown. Venice (Italy), Dubrovnik (Yugoslavia), and Fire Island (New York) all have demonstrated that the automobile is not indispensable for the interesting life, and I have never seen people more human and friendly than when a great snow storm has immobilized all automobiles, or when the Easter crowds on New York's Fifth Avenue force the cops to divert all traffic. The popularity of the Western on TV is at least partly due to our nostalgia for the horse. The automobile is here to stay but as long as man is a two-footed mammal and not a bird, his legs must be restored to their rightful place in the body politic; a better formula must be found for apportioning space between the automobile body and the human body. A pedestrian revolt is long overdue.

Walking is one of the main problems our cities have to wrestle with. But the very word pedestrian has become an ugly appellative for being slow, dull, commonplace, and unimaginative. The pedestrian and the foot-soldier have been the fall guys in history. Literally, a pedestrian is a street-walker, but even this term has been appropriated by a less honorable exercise.

I have heard a great deal of opposition to the Pan American building over Grand Central Terminal, designed by Belluschi and others. Some planners

have said that it is too high and should be spread out. The fact, however, is that height in office buildings around Grand Central concentrates people within walking distance from station to workplace, whereas horizontal spread of office buildings increases the number of cars and taxis which must carry the people to buildings and mass transport. High density office areas hold automobile transportation to a minimum. Low, spread-out buildings increase the burden of traffic. Wall Street, for example, is the densest area in the world, but has no major traffic problem. Mercer Street has, not because of height, but because of the type of business. What are needed are more and better subways and mass transportation and less dependency upon the single car to get from one place to another. Space in Manhattan is limited but it is the metropolis downtown and should be carefully planned within those limits. To improve walkability, New York City should appoint a Commissioner of Pedestrians who might change a few downtown streets into no-way streets, create some interesting pedestrian islands, install a few bicycle paths and generally protect the non-professional streetwalker. Japan's Ginza districts, which are nothing more than old alleys roofed over with awnings and barred to traffic, emphasize how popular shopping centers can be if autos are banned.

TENTH, NEW BUILDINGS MUST CONTRIBUTE TO END-ING RENT CONTROL. This doesn't mean I favor ending rent controls now or in the immediate future; but rent control was never a social reform but a holdthe-line operation, which depended upon housing to create the vacancies to free the city from its restrictions. But for more than 25 years we have been tearing down so many buildings that the shortage has been perpetuated, while people under rent control are deprived of freedom of movement, deprived of the freedom to choose an apartment of their own, and operate in a constant jungle contest with their landlords. What the average mortal wants is not rent control but a freer choice of apartments at a decent rental. This means that all demolition should be curtailed until the shortage is eased and a minimum three per cent vacancy rate is created in all rental categories, so that people can have that freedom of choice. This means more building in Queens, more building on single blocks where demolition will involve displacement of only a few families and less mass demolition such as the West Side project.

In the next 15 years, 500,000 households will be displaced, according to the Rent Commission, under pending housing, public works and renewal programs. If this goes on we are intensifying the shortage and perpetuating controls instead of giving people a greater mobility and freedom of choice in their dwellings. If rent controls were consolidated with the state housing division, perhaps the State Housing Commissioner might emphasize increasing the housing supply rather than diminishing it or keeping it constant for the lower and middle income group who need housing most.

The West Side project which will displace 8000 people to make way for a higher income group is crowded, but demolition will not decrease the crowding. It will intensify it. Nor is there a guarantee that what is produced there will be better than what might have happened in the area if the Puerto Ricans who live there were left alone to develop their own institutions and culture. While they are experiencing the same problems as other immigrant groups, the history of New York City has demonstrated that in a generation, cultural groupings do solidify and contribute an additional asset to the city. Chinatown, Yorkville, the Lower East Side, the Polish, Ukranian, Greek and other sections confirm this. The strongest fortification of Greenwich Village is the Italian section; yet the Italians, less than a half century ago, were the most inveighed-against as neighbors.

ELEVENTH, MORE SMALL PARKS SHOULD BE CREATED WITHIN THE CITIES. Too many housing projects, public and private, are being built without proper attention to recreation and neighborhood amenities. The rivers which should have been another recreation center have been blocked irretrievably by huge projects. New York City has one big Central Park, another big Bronx Park, and another big Prospect Park. What it needs are a few more small squares. squares like those at Washington Square and Tompkins Square. The recent commotion in Washington Square Park reflects the paucity of such parks and the over concentration of too many uses, including its use as an areaway for apartment houses, a bus station, a campus for N.Y.U., a chess club, a singing center, playgrounds for children, as well as its purpose as a neighborhood park. House-building and park and recreational creation must be part of a single planning process.

In sum, what we need before we invest any more billions in the city is a determination of the goals toward which we are headed in the city's future development.



SHOP DESIGNED LIKE A DISPLAY CASE

Textiles & Objects Shop A Division of Herman Miller, Inc. New York, N. Y. ARCHITECT: Alexander Girard

The primary effect of this shop is that of a life-size showcase, through which the customer may pass to view the fabrics designed by Alexander Girard and the folk art selected by him. For both the retail and wholesale trade, the showcase presents its wares in an atmosphere of gayety and liveliness. The interior is revealed to passers-by on the street through the store-wide, ceiling-high glass front. The narrow, deep interior space—20 by 100 ft—is modulated by hanging fabric display panels that form overlapping vertical planes, which partially reveal, partially conceal the displays. The background, against which the colorful textiles and folk art objects are shown-the walls, floors, and ceilings-is white and strictly neutral. The ceiling sparkles with 350 silvered, reflector light bulbs set in strips parallel to the street and 36 in. on centers. Flexible display fixtures include a special picture molding and ceiling strips for hanging fabrics and display towers that support shelves and contain lighting.



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As indicated in the plan, the interior space of this shop is narrow and quite deep. The architect subdivided and defined this long space by hanging fabrics from the ceiling, at the same time achieving proper display for the fabrics themselves. The furniture, all manufactured by the shop owner, is used sparingly to create a homelike atmosphere and, at the same time, provide a method for display of some of the folk art objects. Other objects are placed on display towers shown in the illustration at top of page





Baltazar Korab

UNDULATING PLYWOOD ATTRACTS CUSTOMERS

Pine Lumber Company Showroom Detroit, Michigan ARCHITECTS: Hawthorne & Schmiedeke

By using plywood, one of the materials sold in this building, in an exciting and imaginative manner, the architects of this showroom have caused the building itself to act as a most effective advertisement for the products displayed within. The unusual, undulating roof, which seems to float airily over the structure, is constructed of 3-ft 3-in. deep plywood girders, on 11-ft 8-in. centers, with top and bottom skins each fabricated from two layers of quarter inch fir plywood. Girders have four by ten top and bottom chords. Plywood skins are stapled and glued together and similarly fastened to girders and to two by fours laid flat at center points between girders. Four by eight columns are framed into the roof system at ends of girders. The interior of the roof system is painted; its joints are covered by redwood battens and continuous fluorescent light fixtures. Roofing is built-up composition with marble chips; fascias are scored sheet metal.



Pine Lumber Company Showroom



The large—56 by 117 ft—plywood roof protects the interior which primarily consists of about two-thirds display area and sales counter space and one-third office area. In addition to its obvious value as an attention-getter, the roof frees the floor area for more flexible use for display of the company's products, which are stored in the lumber yard behind the building.

Other than the roof, the building is constructed of conventional materials. The flooring is terrazzo over a concrete slab. Walls are patterned concrete block and glass. Windows are redwood, with painted solid panels under fixed glass





Condax-Corman

TO MAKE A SMALL STORE LOOK LARGER

F. J. Cooper Store, Philadelphia ARCHITECTS: Geddes-Brecher-Qualls & Cunningham STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: David Bloom MECHANICAL ENGINEERS: Cronheim & Weger CONTRACTOR: John P. Hallahan

Regarding the design of this elegant little jewelry shop in downtown Philadelphia, architect George W. Qualls says, "Many shops of small area have a cluttered look about them that reduces their effectiveness as a display vehicle. For this store, most design decisions were determined by the need to produce a sense of spaciousness and the desire to make the objects on display the main focal points of the interior. The plaster vaulting, calculated to make walls and ceiling flow together, was used to bring the eye down to the wall cases. Similarly, the gray carpeting was carried up the wall behind the cases in order to destroy the junctures of wall with floor and provide a neutral backdrop for the wall displays. Because of the flowing linear quality of these elements, the space manages to achieve an air of expansiveness it might have lost if the scheme were entirely rectilinear. The exterior arches are a direct expression of the two interior vaults immediately inside; one arch is the entrance, the other a recessed window display."



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Interior

Plan

Section

The variety of the materials used in the store was consciously held to a minimum. Basically, there are white plaster ribs and vaults—constructed with furring channels and metal lath—walnut casework, and gray carpeting. Bronze sash and trim, plus yellow and gray curtains for contrast

POLICE FACILITIES DESIGNED FOR SUN CONTROL

Police Facilities Building Santa Ana, Calif. ARCHITECTS: Richard J. Neutra and Robert E. Alexander ASSOCIATE ARCHITECT:

Dion Neutra

STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Parker, Zehnder & Associates

> MECHANICAL ENGINEER: Boris Lemos

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS: Frumhoff & Cohen

GENERAL CONTRACTOR: Gallegos Corporation Provisions for controlling the hot, Southern California sun played a large part in the design of this neatly tailored police headquarters building in Santa Ana. The north and south end walls of the rectangular structure are blank, in contrast to the longer east and west walls, which feature two types of sun control. On the east, shown below—the elevation facing the police car and prisoner entrance—the upper façade consists of a prefabricated modular enclosure of aluminum and precast concrete interrupted by a strip of horizontal aluminum sun blinds. To the west—the elevation facing the public entrance—the major portion of the façade (see next spread) consists of vertical louvers of goldanodized aluminum. These louvers are electronically controlled, gradually changing position with the sun.

The ground floor serves for public visitors, radio center, traffic section, detective section, and a special area for booking, detention, and interviews. The second floor is devoted to administration, personnel and training, laboratories, lineup room, police lounge and lockers. The architects designed and supervised landscaping for the project.







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Santa Ana Police Headquarters

The photos on this page show both exterior and interior details of the two-story-high vertical louvers designed to break down the sun striking the western façade. The louvers are of aluminum, anodized a metallic gold, and are pivoted top and bottom. As the sun changes direction, the angle of the louvers is changed by an electric motor activated by electronic control







Eliot Noyes photos

SLIP-FORM WALLS PRODUCE A TRIMLY HANDSOME SKI HOUSE

Eliot Noyes has used local stone, concrete and 30-in. slipforms with great effect to create a sturdy and snug retreat

> ARCHITECT AND OWNER: Eliot Noyes LOCATION: Sherburne Center, Vermont ENGINEERS: Werner-Jensen and Korst CONTRACTOR: John Russell Corp.



The program for a small ski house adds to the usual needs for family living, the problems of ski boot traffic through the house, and sound separation and privacy for sleeping quarters while after-skiing festivities are taking place in the living areas. A four-level scheme in this house (with all levels linked by half flights of stairs) solves the program very well. The entrance porch opens into a foyer, which alternately gives access to the open livingdining-cooking space, or to upper and lower passages leading to bedrooms. Sturdy surfaces and short stair runs ease the heavyshod traffic. Interiors are at the same time warm, efficient and pleasantly spacious. There is a large cellar at the lowest level for ski shop, wood storage, and warm air heating plant.

The principal decorative element in the house is the masonry, described by the architect as "much like FLLW's 'desert concrete' plus horizontal banding which results from the slip form treatment." Local stones were used to face 30-in. high forms filled with concrete. When dry, the process was repeated.









A Compact Plan Gives a Lot of Space

The multi-level scheme affords an unexpected amount of living space within a very compact square structure, as can be noted on the plan at right. The house is constructed on concrete foundations, with a fir frame, and interiors and exterior walls of masonry or spruce. Floors above grade are fir, those below are concrete. The roof is built-up tar and gravel. The big window areas use sliding sash, and are fitted with roll-up bamboo blinds.

The neat cabinets of the "kitchen wall" are fitted with all the usual appliances, plus a dishwasher and a garbage disposer. The house is also equipped with a refuse burner to simplify chores on snowy days.

The site is a slope facing south and overlooking fields, forests and mountains in deep snow country





A DOG-TROT PLAN FOR A NEW ENGLAND BEACH HOUSE

A Southern scheme with open hall and porches adapts well to a Northern coast site for summer recreation

> ARCHITECT: Eliot Noyes and Associates OWNER: Mr. and Mrs. Erik Simonsen LOCATION: Menemsha, Massachusetts ENGINEERS: Werner-Jensen and Korst CONTRACTOR: Herbert Hancock



This neat scheme for summer holidays uses the old device of open air corridors to satisfy some very current needs:

(1) a living room without excessive doors and through traffic;(2) avoidance of wet and

sandy feet in living areas;

(3) quiet for sleeping quarters;(4) through ventilation in all bedrooms;

(5) good space and sense of shelter;

(6) good western view, yet protected from the sun.

The living areas and the bedrooms actually form two separate pavilions, connected by the broad roof and porches. Sitting, dining and cooking spaces are all within the big living area.

The structure is fir plank and beam, with cypress walls throughout. Studs are exposed on the interiors. All floors and ceilings are tongue-and-groove fir boards. The roof is surfaced with mineralized rool roofing. Doors and windows are fitted with copper screens.

The only heating provided for summer use of the house is a fireplace in the living area, with a common brick facing and raised concrete hearth. Lighting includes light strips over kitchen counter and bathroom medicine cabinets, and portable lamps in other living areas.



Exposed Structure and Natural Finishes Echo Informality of the Plan

The small plan packs in four 6- by 12-ft bunk rooms and a 12- by 12-ft master bedroom. All sleeping areas have builtin shelf cabinets. The electric water heater, washer and dryer are placed in a utility closet off the master bedroom. The enclosed area of the living room (16 by 32 ft) is augmented by the large porches surrounding it on all sides. Windows are fitted with fixed ¼-in. plate glass and frameless sliding glass units.

Kitchen cabinets were made on the job and have plastic counter surfaces. The house has a submersible pump for water supply, and its own septic tank and leaching pool.

The site affords a broad sweep of view of Menemsha pond and the Vineyard sound









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CASTELLATIONS AND RAMPS ADD FUN TO A NEW SHINGLE STYLE

Nelson & Chadwick revive the use of shingle siding in this romantic, hexagonal-towered seaside house

ARCHITECT: George Nelson & Gordon Chadwick OWNER: Mr. O. R. Johnson LOCATION: Montauk, Long Island STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: A. D. Ateshoglou HEATING ENGINEER: Leslie Sterling LIGHTING CONSULTANT: Martin Garon CONTRACTOR: Frank Johnson & Son INTERIOR DESIGNER: George Nelson & Co.



The age-old seaside tradition of shingles and towers has been revived with considerable vigor in this contemporary house. The site is a very dramatic one between a highway and the ocean at the far tip of Long Island. There is a 50ft drop between the house and the beach, with a small ravine leading down to the beach from the building site. The architects felt that the romantic character of the site, combined with the preferences of the owners, suggested a romantic house. As there was no particular view on the highway side, the house was given a relatively solid facade on this approach, and opened with large glass areas on the opposite side facing the water. As the most interesting view on the water side was east along the beach, it was decided to angle windows in all major rooms. This, in turn, helped lead to a hexagonal-shaped room as a major planning device.

Unusual program requirements included :

(1) separate studio quarters for a son, with facilities for entertaining; a small kitchen unit; and a folding bed in a closet;

(2) shower for bathers before entering the house;

(3) a dining room which could be opened into a porch;

(4) a ramp to the kitchen for a grocery cart.

The Johnson House



Shingled Interiors Emphasize Room Shapes

Ceilings of the major rooms have shingle ceilings patterned to accent the hexagonal shapes of the major rooms. To gain a sense of greater space, many of the furnishings are built in. Especially notable are the seating arrangements in the living room around the periphery, which makes possible one large conversation grouping; a built-in sideboard in the hall containing bar, telephone desk, storage for extra tableware and hi-fi; the pass-through to the kitchen, with cabinets opening on both sides. The structure is wood frame; interiors are plaster and cedar board. Heating is by a warm air system





UPPER FLOOR




THE SHINGLED COTTAGE GETS A SPIRITED NEW COUNTERPART

Sprightly and unconventional fenestration marks this new version of a shingled country cottage

ARCHITECT: Gordon Chadwick OWNER: Henry Gardiner LOCATION: Alpine, New Jersey HEATING ENGINEER: Leslie Sterling LIGHTING CONSULTANT: Martin Garon CONTRACTOR: Joseph Lochte LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT: Karl Linn



A great sense of variety was added to the otherwise simple design of this house by its unusual arrangements of windows. The site has a dense double row of trees dividing the lot. In a cleared area in the midst of them, the house was placed to divide the space into four outdoor areas of different character. Each side of the house was planned with a special group of windows to present a different view, and to afford a pleasant abstraction in their own arrangement.

Interior ceilings follow the roof line, and the shape of the house is used to give vertical space to the two-story living and play rooms. Balcony rooms open onto these two-story areas, and add to the sense of spaciousness while providing relative privacy for work areas for the parents—a studio for the husband, and a study for the wife. These areas could be further enclosed if required.

The children's bedrooms and the playroom are at one end of the ground floor with a separate entrance. The lower floor can be opened to join the play and living areas together for large scale entertaining. The Gardiner House









SECOND FLOOR



Interiors of the wood framed house are plaster and cedar boards. Exterior walls and roof are shingle. Floors are oak in major rooms, vinyl in the kitchen and tile in the baths. The solid wall in the living area has built-in strips to provide for movable shelves. A U-shaped kitchen has a combined work surface and eating counter for the children. A pass through with glass sliding doors opens the kitchen to the dining area (see photo at top) BUILDING TYPES STUDY 306

OFFICE BUILDINGS

- Home Office Building for Equitable Life

 Analysis Establishes Owner Requirements
 Planning Leads to Flexibility, Economy
- 2. Automatic Louvers Help Control Climate in Honolulu Offices
- 3. High-Rise Montreal Financial Center by Nervi, Moretti
- 4. Architects Steer Owner-Contractor-Leasing Agent Group
- 5. Pan Am Makes a Point— The Vertical City as a Planning Principle

Old controversies about the city and its place in human life—particularly old controversies about the city's tall buildings and their place in the functioning and esthetics of the city—like old soldiers seem never to die. Unlike the old soldiers, who may have a better sense of timing, these controversies never seem to fade away.

Meanwhile, owners continue putting their money into the construction of tall buildings. Owners and tenants alike continue moving their personnel and office machines into them as soon as the paint is dry. And architects, of course, continue to design tall office buildings for the city and get them built.

In the pages following is a quick survey of what architects are doing in office buildings these days. In it some indication of trends in design may be detected. For example, in spread-out, automobile-oriented cities such as Los Angeles, office buildings tend to be medium-rise and tied to parking garages. In denser cities such as New York, and now Montreal, the buildings go up higher and are oriented to mass transportation and the pedestrian. Also included is a fresh word on what may be the hottest current controversy of them all, the impact of the Pan Am Building on New York's Grand Central area. Equitable Home Office Building, Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; photo by Joseph W. Moliton



ANALYSIS ESTABLISHES OWNER REQUIREMENTS

Home Office Building For Equitable Life*

Prepared by the Real Estate Department of The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States

Before the design of a large office building such as the new Equitable Home Office can proceed, a considerable amount of research and analysis of the needs of the company that will occupy it is needed. This is particularly true when the building is to be occupied solely by its owners, as in this case. Methods for gathering the necessary data, and the subsequent analysis of that data may vary widely between projects. However, the methods used for this building might well be applied—at least in part—to others.

As in many other businesses, the period following World War II has seen rapid expansion among insurance companies. Equitable has been no exception. During the post-war years, a great number of personnel have been added to the company home office staff. Space in the building occupied by the company was at a premium. The expansion necessitated moving a number of departments out of the building. During the three years or so prior to the beginning of construction of the new building, extensive reorganization of the space in the old building was required. Nearly every individual in the building was relocated at least once. This continuing relocation caused annoyance and inconvenience.

As it turned out, the relocation experiences were turned to advantage by a new company department, the Home Office Building Department, established to handle the development of a new building. The extensive remodeling of the old offices gave this department a chance to try out some of the standards eventually adopted for planning and construction of the new offices.

SPACE STANDARDS

In order to establish standards for space to be allotted in the new building for various purposes, a thorough study was made of the company's existing offices. Data was gathered on office buildings recently erected by oth-



TENTATIVE HOME OFFICE SPACE STANDARDS FOR DETERMINATION OF

Figure 1

er insurance companies and of new construction in the New York area. The experience gained in remodeling of the old office building was used to advantage. Standards developed by other companies were studied. All of this information was tabulated and analyzed in the light of the particular needs of Equitable. Finally, tentative standards, as shown in Figure 1, were established. Further studies were made of requirements for data processing areas, file rooms, and other specialized spaces. Figure 2 shows the results of one such study.

All of the space standards were then submitted to the officers of the company, and after approval, were adopted as basic criteria for planning.

In all of these studies and those following, the Home Office Building Department acted as a service department. Its function was to receive information and instructions from the using departments, analyze this information and relate it to information from other departments regarding amounts, uses, and allocation of space.

ESTIMATING TOTAL SPACE REQUIREMENTS After approval of the space standards (Figures 1 and 2), the building department distributed a space estimation



Open clerical area with conveyor

^{*}For architectural, engineering and other credits see page 182

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sorters, collators, reproducers, summary punches, interpreters and statistical machines	50
form handling equipmont (bursters, form decollators, etc.)	50
accounting machines	100
604 & 607 computers	120
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Provision should be made under "Niscellancous" (item C.6) for coat rooms on the basis of 12 square feet per person.

Figure 2

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form, shown in Figure 3, to all departments and divisions. Along with this went a copy of the space standards. Senior officers of departments and divisions then studied their own projections for growth and reported back their estimates of personnel and space requirements. Estimates for four periods of time were reported :

- 1. Time of questionnaire (1957)
- 2. Approximate time of completion of new building
- 3. Five years after occupancy of new building
- 4. Ten years after occupancy of new building

In practice, the numbers of personnel were estimated, then multiplied by the space allocation standards for the types of personnel. When all of this information was in, line graphs were drawn and studied to determine whether or not the information from particular departments was in line with general tendencies indicated. Variations from the norm were analyzed and adjusted to conform.

About this time, two parcels of property were found to be available. Information on their sizes together with space requirements and zoning ordinance information would permit approximation of the size of the building necessary for the company's initial occupancy and for expansion.

ESTIMATED HOME OFFICE SPACE REQUIREMENTS



Figure 3

NET USABLE AREA

In all of the studies made up to this point, net usable area had been the working measure. By this was meant floor area clear of all obstructions such as columns, air conditioning distribution units, partitions, or corridors; in other words, space which could actually be used by personnel and their office equipment. All space standards were established on the basis of net usable area.

At a later time, further analysis would be required of the gross area, or area enclosed from out to out of the building. From gross area, some indications of actual building size and costs could be determined. Also, analysis of rental areas would be needed as an aid in determining the relationships between rental costs to the company in its own building and costs of leasing space in other buildings.

Before proceeding with these analyses, it was decided that information on functional requirements and specific needs of various departments was needed. Another questionnaire (Figure 4) was prepared and circulated to departmental and division heads. This was an effort to determine:

- 1. Nature of the work of departments and divisions
- 2. Preferred location of each, in relation to other



)ffice entrance from corridor



Executive floor reception area



View toward private offices

Office Buildings



Figure 4

departments and divisions, for efficient operations

- 3. Methods required for transporting paperwork to and from departments
- 4. Special requirements for electrical power, air conditioning, plumbing, floor loading, etc.
- 5. Extent of overtime work (affected air conditioning requirements and flexibility)
- 6. Additional factors or suggestions

SPACE PROFILE

After the second questionnaire had been completed and analyzed, and based on this and the other information available at this point, it became possible to draw space profiles of the projected building. As shown in Figure 5, these are profiles of the space requirements at a given point in time, drawn to scale. While a space profile does not represent the final form of the building, it does contain considerable information of value in planning. Drawn to a scale of 3/32 in. horizontal dimension equals 1000 sq ft of floor area, the space profiles for this building were drawn to include gross area, and cross hatched to indicate the relative amounts of rentable and net usable floor areas.

By using cut strips of paper of various colors in conjunction with space profile drawings, it was possible to study alternate locations for each division and each department. Relative positions between departments and divisions were studied, as were needs for expansion space.

During the time the space profiles were being studied and revised, the architects were proceeding with other Figure 5

analyses and preliminary drawings and specifications. In the meantime, work had begun on the development of typical office layouts and their relationships with such things as corridors, aisles, and floor dimensions.

FLEXIBILITY AND THE MODULE

At first, a study module of 4 ft 8 in. was used. As shown in Figure 1, on page 178, early studies and surveys led to private offices of three sizes; 140, 210, and 280 sq ft (except for three top executives offices). Other approximate working areas were established. With this and related information, it was possible to lay out tentative office plans, as shown in Figures 6 and 7.

Thorough studies by the architects, taking into consideration spacing of structural steel, elevators, stairs, and so on, led to the adoption for the actual building of a 3ft 5-in. module. As a result, actual office usable areas



File area with private office



SPACE HAVING A MINIMUM DIMENSION OF 34 FT. FROM THE EXTERIOR WALL TO THE CORE PERMIT-ING FOUR DESK POSITIONS, EACH ACCESSIBLE TO AN ADJACENT AISLE, AND PROVISION FOR A SIX FOOT CORRIDOR AS ILLUSTRATED.



Figure 6

became 159, 212, and 265 sq ft.

The module was strictly adhered to in exterior walls, movable interior partitions, ceilings, lighting fixtures. As may be seen in the illustrations of building interiors, these elements are standard throughout the building, except for the top three executive floors. Accordingly, the spaces in the building are extremely flexible, lending themselves to rearrangement with a minimum of disruption and loss of time.

SPACE FOR EXPANSION

As has been shown, the company space requirements for the time of initial occupancy, and for five years and ten years later, had been determined. One means of providing for expansion would have been the construction, originally, of a building large enough to meet future needs. Then all expansion spaces could have been located

STANDARD FOR PERIMETER SPACE

SPACE HAVING A DIMENSION OF LESS THAN 34 FT. FROM EXTERIOR WALL TO CORE AS ILL--USTRATED WITH STANDARD OFFICE SIZES.



Figure 7

on certain floors, and short-term leases negotiated on these spaces. Such a move might have brought additional income into the company. This plan was decided against primarily because studies indicated that the return on the investment would have been insufficient to pay for short-term tenant changes and the actual costs of company moves into expansion spaces when required. Also, expansion spaces would not have been located correctly in relation to the expanding departments.

Instead, it was decided that expansion would be provided for in two ways, by provision of space near each department expected to expand and by planning for construction of additional space at a later date. Accordingly, expansion space for approximately five years was built into the present building. Further expansion will take place in new construction on land held by the company to the west of the present structure.



Corner suite-reception

Corner suite-private office

Corner suite-conference room



PLANNING LEADS TO FLEXIBILITY, ECONOMY

Home Office Building for Equitable Life

Home Office Building The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States New York, N. Y. ARCHITECTS: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill PARTNER-IN-CHARGE: Robert W. Cutler PARTNER-IN-CHARGE OF DESIGN: Roy O. Allen Jr. PROJECT MANAGER: Albert Kennerly DESIGN ASSISTANT: Patricia W. Swan STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Weiskopf & Pickworth MECHANICAL & ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS: Meyer, Strong & Jones CONTRACTOR: Turner Construction Company

A number of things are notable about this building. It is one of the largest (1.5 million sq ft) office buildings occupied solely by its owners. Its program, design, planning, and detailing were meticulously and thoroughly analyzed. The result is a highly flexible, efficient workshop for the company that occupies it. Perhaps best of all, the base building cost closely parallels the cost of purely speculative office buildings in the New York area. Yet none of the speculative offices approaches the functional success of this building.

Possibly the most important factor in the success of this building is that all of the components have been combined into a workable system. Movable partitions, acoustical ceilings, light fixtures, work together visually and functionally. And all of these relate in a systematic manner to exterior curtain walls, corridors, and the building core.

A 3-ft 5-in. module is used in partitions, curtain walls. Doors fit into this module without side panels. Exterior columns, with their chases and fireproofing, are one module wide. Partitions have glass transoms over solid panels, which are a single color throughout the building; all center on mullions not on columns. All are uniform in height. Ceiling panels and light fixtures are also modular. The result is simple, clean design that is almost infinitely flexible.

The Equitable Building has 42 stories plus a basement and sub-basement. As shown in the plans, it consists of a wide base, 16 stories in height, with a 26-story tower above the front portion of the base. The company owns additional property behind the building. This will eventually be used for expansion. The main floor contains the lobby and public rooms; the second is mainly devoted to employe dining and training rooms. The basement and sub-basement contain storage areas and shops. Except for the other mechanical floors (15M, and 40 through 41), all other floors contain offices of the company. The three top office floors contain executive offices, the board room, executive dining, and committee rooms. To increase the flexibility of space use, ordinary office floors were designed for loadings of 100 psf



17TH - 23RD FLOORS





FIRST FLOOR



Information desk and escalators



Executive dining room



Reception area, 38th floor



Waiting lounge-executive area 36th floor



Executive office



Executive conference room 37th floor

The architects designed the interiors for the lobby, employe dining areas, and the 38th floor shown in the illustrations. Maria Bergson Associates handled the interiors on the 36th and 37th floors and the officers' corner suites throughout the building. Non-standard partitions, acoustical ceilings, and light fixtures were used in these areas. The building structure is steel frame with an aluminum and glass curtain wall. Standard flooring throughout the building is vinyl asbestos, with quarry tile, ceramic tile, terrazzo, and carpeting in specialized areas. Heating and cooling are accomplished with steam and steam-driven refrigeration units with window units and conventional registers

AUTOMATIC LOUVERS HELP CONTROL CLIMATE IN HONOLULU OFFICES

Ala Moana Building Hawaiian Land Company, Ltd. Honolulu, Hawaii ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS: John Graham and Company CONTRACTOR: Owners

This building is completely air conditioned and wrapped in movable sun shields that automatically open and close as the sun moves around the building. From cost studies made by the architects, it would appear that the sun shields take the place of about 170 tons of air conditioning, a saving of approximately 25 per cent. The moderate Honolulu winter climate makes heating unnecessary and none is provided.

The building is an integral extension of an adjacent shopping center. It is 22 stories high and has a revolving restaurant on top. Circulation of pedestrians flows freely between the office building and the shopping center, but each unit has its own parking facilities for automobiles. Preliminary studies indicated that reinforced concrete would have a cost advantage over steel, partially because of local labor rates and freight costs. The owners had constructed the shopping center of prestressed concrete. The prestressing plant used for this work was available. Accordingly, after studies showed prestressing would be feasible, the building was designed and constructed with prestressed concrete girders and beams, combined with poured-in-place concrete columns.



Office Buildings: Ala Moana Building





Vance Fawcett Assoc. offices, M. Tatom, architect



Alfred Yee Assoc. office, George Doddy, architect





The office building and the adjacent shopping center work together to form an integral unit containing a variety of stores, parking, medical facilities, offices, and a bank. The shopping center has its own parking. The office building has one parking space per 1000 sq ft. located on the third and fourth floors, with ramps for access. The ground floor bank is provided with a number of parking spaces on its own level. The third floor of the building is on a level with the mall of the shopping center and is connected with it by a continuous deck. This floor is occupied by service offices such as insurance and advertising agencies and a coffee shop. The fourth through seventh floors are reserved for medical offices; the remaining floors are leased as general offices with the top four office floors reserved for the owners and the 21st floor for mechanical equipment.

The illustrations at the right show how the movable, automatic sun shield louvers operate on this building. In the upper photograph, the sun is just beginning to touch the top portion of the building and the louvers are standing full open. As the sun moves around the building, the louvers gradually close to block sun rays from the exterior wall, until louvers are fully closed as shown in lower photograph



Office Buildings: Ala Moana Building





La Ronde Restaurant

To take advantage of the panoramic 360-degree view of Honolulu, Diamond Head, Waikiki, and points in between, the architects of the Ala Moana Building placed a round restaurant on top. The restaurant was designed so that its outer ring, where the diners sit, revolves. At a rate of one revolution per hour, patrons are thus able to take in the entire scope of the scenery that surrounds them.

Restaurant window-glazing is tilted outward from its base to help eliminate glare. Tables and booths are oriented toward the view outside.

Structurally the outer, revolving, ring of the restaurant is cantilevered from a 38-ft fixed concrete central core. All plumbing, stair wells, elevators, kitchen and other facilities are contained in the non-revolving core. The revolving portion is mounted on 48 plastic wheels of 12-in. diameter and is driven by a three-horsepower, high torque motor. Two other motors act as standbys in case of failure. Operation is smooth, quiet, and free from vibration







HIGH-RISE MONTREAL FINANCIAL CENTER BY NERVI, MORETTI

Place Victoria Towers Place Victoria-St. Jacques Co., Inc. Montreal, Quebec ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS: Pier Luigi Nervi and Luigi Moretti ASSOCIATE ARCHITECTS: Jacques Morin and Greenspoon, Freedlander & Dunne CONSULTING ENGINEERS: J. B. Carswell, d'Allemagne & Barbacki, Letendre Monti & Assoc., Guy B. Panero, Inc., Mario Salvadori and Paul Weidlinger, Wiggs, Walford, Frost & Lindsay PROJECT MANAGERS: Panero-Weidlinger-Salvadori, Ltd.

In Place Victoria Towers, the combination of interest factors is almost unbeatable—design by Pier Luigi Nervi and Luigi Moretti, the use of high-rise towers to unify the financial district of a great city and the three identical 50-story towers of reinforced concrete. In addition, the structural design holds considerable interest. Loads are mainly carried by four exposed columns at the corners of each tower, and four core columns. The core columns are connected together into concrete X-frames that run the height of the buildings and act as shear walls. There are eight intermediate columns placed in pairs between the corner columns.

Corner columns are 9 by 9 ft at their bases and taper to approximately 4 by 4 ft at the top floor. They are connected into the X-frame shear walls of the building by rigid horizontal walls at each of the mechanical floors (6th, 19th, 32nd, and 45th). The columns are exposed to outside temperatures that range from about 95 degrees F down to minus 25 degrees F. Consequently, they required insulation to guard against movement which might have been as much as four inches and which would have placed excessive forces on the horizontal shear frames.





The first tower of Place Victoria is now under construction, and is expected to be complete in 1964. The other two towers will follow shortly after that time. Eventually, it is expected that the full facilities of Montreal's financial district will be housed in the towers. This would mean both the Montreal and Canadian Stock Exchanges, the Mercantile Bank of Canada, the Mercantile Trust Company, plus broker's offices and other facilities related to the financial life of Canada. Finally, the complex will have several restaurants and cafeterias, clubs, auditorium, and other facilities needed to round out the center.

The appearance of the buildings will derive mostly from the large, tapering concrete corner columns and the curtain wall of glass and aluminum. Concrete facing on the mechanical floors will show as horizontal bands between the expanses of curtain walls. Vertical air conditioning ducts will be exposed at mid-points between the corner columns







TYPICAL TOWER PLAN

ARCHITECTS STEER OWNER-CONTRACTOR-LEASING AGENT GROUP

Travelers Building The Travelers Insurance Company Los Angeles, California ARCHITECTS-ENGINEERS: Welton Becket and Associates STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Stacy & Skinner LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT: Robert Herrick Carter CONTRACTOR: George A. Fuller Company

This office building is the result of a kind of architect-steered cooperation between owners, contractor, and leasing agent that seems to be something of a growing trend, particularly among such experienced clients as Travelers. The procedure followed here started with the simultaneous selection of the architectural firm, the contractor, and the leasing agent, all as the result of negotiation. Then when the architects were working on the programming and design of the building, they had ample opportunity for consultation with the other members of the project group. Roger Wilkins, vice-president of Travelers represented the owners throughout. The architects found him to be "extremely knowledgeable in office building techniques and procedures and instantly available to designers and project people when client decisions were necessary. This close cooperation with owners, contractor, and leasing agents resulted in a building that came in under the budget and answers the needs of the client very well indeed."

The finished building now holds the height record, of 22 stories, for Los Angeles. By the standards of many other large cities, this is not particularly high, but Los Angeles is an automobileoriented city. The relative height, as well as the ever-present parking facilities, reflects the impact of the automobile on its buildings.





Five and a half floors of the Travelers Building are occupied by the company's regional offices. The others are leased to other companies. The ground floor contains a bank, a stock broker's office, and several small shops. Just off the entrance from the plaza, in front of the building, is a restaurant and cocktail lounge. At the rear of the building is a parking garage for 820 automobiles.

The architect was selected and contracts negotiated simultaneously with the contractor and leasing agent. When program materials and schematics had been completed, the architects had them reviewed by each of the others and by the owners for suggestions relating to their particular interests. The leasing agent furnished data showing that most tenants in the Los Angeles area need small amounts of space; the contractor offered advice on the structure and construction methods. This sort of cooperation continued until preliminaries were complete. Then the contractor developed prices and the architects a preliminary estimate. After a few modifications, the contractor agreed to construct the building within the estimates. Construction excavation began almost at once, and was followed by foundation work while working drawings were being prepared. During this time the contractor took sub-bids. The final result was fast construction at a cost well within the budget estimates



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Office Buildings: The Travelers Building



Plaza in front of building



Gyorgy Kepes Venetian glass mural in lobby



Main banking area

The area in front of the building is opened up toward Wilshire Boulevard with a plaza. On either side of the plaza, one-story wings extend from the main building to the sidewalks. By recessing the second floor 8 ft from the front of the building, the architects created an entrance wall of glass, 25-ft high. Through it may be seen the mural of Venetian glass mosaic, called "The Life Cycle," done by Gyorgy Kepes for the interior walls opposite the glass. The mural is divided into four panels representing childhood, youth, maturity, and old age. Building structure is steel frame. Exteriors are aluminum and glass curtain walls with spandrels of blue Venetian glass mosaic tile. Columns are finished with exposed quartz aggregate

In Defense of the Pan Am Building

PAN AM MAKES A POINT

by Emerson Goble

A plea for the vertical city as a planning principle, a three-dimensional city planned for pedestrians instead of automobiles

Many architects with whom I have talked have expressed some measure of disapproval of the nowbuilding Pan American Building over Grand Central. The huge tower seems to do violence generally to the habits of thought of architects who feel it's too big.

But I don't think that our normal intuition is an entirely reliable guide to the judgment of this particular situation. I feel that the Pan Am Building does represent the necessities of its time and its site —and I don't mean just the financial necessities and I have the feeling that it is important for architects to examine the development of a vertical city like New York, and to realize the forces that form the business community. The Pan Am Building is big, but its bigness contains positive values.

Indeed its bigness might be considered an asset. An asset not as a visual focus, though that has been argued about, but as a contribution to the working of the city life. I should make it clear that I am not concerned here with its architectural merits or demerits, or with its appearance in relation to its neighbors, both of which considerations might produce debate; I merely want to make a point about city planning.

The point can be simply stated: the business community works best in a vertical city, a three-dimensional city. Would you rather conduct business

OWNERS: Grand Central Building, Inc. Erwin S. Wolfson, president, Jack Cotton, chairman ARCHITECTS: Emery Roth & Sons DESIGN CONSULTANTS: Walter Gropius (The Architects Collaborative) and Pietro Belluschi STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: James Ruderman MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS: Jaros, Baum & Bolles LIGHTING CONSULTANTS: Lighting by Feder CONTRACTOR: Diesel Construction Company, Inc. affairs in New York City or in Los Angeles? The vertical versus the horizontal city. In the Grand Central district you frequently—usually—make business calls on foot. In Los Angeles you get your car out of the parking lot and drive. The essential difference is that Los Angeles is a city of automobiles; New York is a city of pedestrians.

Either you plan for pedestrians or you plan for automobiles. If you get business people close enough for business intercourse to be done largely on foot, you can keep most of the autos out and have a pedestrian community.

In its big office districts—Wall Street and Grand Central—New York is developing as a pedestrian city, and the Pan Am Building, being so large, aids in that direction rather than hinders.

If the skyscraper is America's distinctive contribution to the world's architecture, it is also America's contribution to the functioning of the large city, or even the not-so-large city. It takes advantage of the third dimension of the business center. It makes full use of the invention of the elevator to enable people to concentrate or congregate in a three-dimensional manner.

Congregation is, after all, the principal function of the city. It is the purpose, the positive value of the city. In order to conduct business—or to do almost anything else—people must congregate. In city planning circles there has been an almost automatic assumption that concentrations of people are objectionable. There are different words for it: congregation, concentration, congestion. And the city planner seems always to use the word congestion, with its negative implications. But whatever the word, the city has its functions, its positive values. And the skyscraper makes a contribution to the congregation of people for business purposes.

The familiar argument against the Pan Am Building is wrapped up in the word "congestion." The building will cause congestion, or increase congestion, and so it will be a frightful monster added to an already congested city. So goes the argument.



It will bring thirty thousand people (24,000 more than the old building contained), it will crowd the subway and Grand Central Terminal by this much more, and cities shouldn't be that crowded. The architects and builders are guilty of going against principle. The site should be left vacant. There ought to be a law. Private enterprise has gone too far. It is easy to become quite emotional, when this line of thought gets started, when it seems that the building violates laws of human welfare. It is natural to become defenders of the little man.

Well, a calm look is indicated. I doubt if the little man is going to need any champions in this particular instance; I doubt if the building violates any laws of human welfare. It is true, of course, that the tall building brings more people to the same spot, the same city block, but that is its function. Examination of the plans of Pan Am shows that business people on the streets-pedestrians-will find circulation aided by the construction of the building, because it is planned to open up Grand Central toward the north where it was formerly blocked by the old office building. Pan Am will have a huge pedestrian concourse leading directly from the heart of the station, through the building to 45th Street and to upper Park Avenue. Moving stairs will lead from the main concourse of Grand Central Terminal directly to the ground floor level of the Pan Am Building, and a 40-ft promenade will go through the building, opening both to the north and to the west at 44th and 45th Streets. The Pan Am Building is planned for pedestrians.

VERTICAL CITY, OR HORIZONTAL?

The point of it all is verticality versus horizontality. The importance of the Pan Am Building, planningwise, is its verticality. Or more specifically, its verticality in its exact location. It will concentrate 30,000 people in just the most convenient location; convenient that is, not only to transportation, but also to other office buildings in the ever-growing Grand Central area. It will move a lot of people up and down instead of horizontally. And keep them within walking distance (or perhaps even elevator distance) of a great many business contacts. Thus does the vertical city operate.

Thus does the Wall Street district operate. In Wall Street you see thousands and thousands of people on the streets, but almost never a private automobile; even the taxi traffic is minimal. Indeed some of the downtown streets are off limits for all automobiles. Nobody would think of driving from here to there in the Wall Street area. So the famous deep canyons function well for the workers in the beehive. Personal contact is quick and easy; everybody is close together; everybody is therefore a pedestrian.

Parenthetically, we don't need to feel sorry for the poor shut-in worker; the district is closely confined. There are two rivers close by, a harbor and

PAN AM BUILDING DEFENDED

by Charles Abrams

I have heard a great deal of opposition to the Pan American Building over Grand Central Terminal; some planners have said that it is too high and should be spread out. The fact, however, is that height in office buildings around Grand Central concentrates people within walking distance from station to workplace, whereas horizontal spread of office buildings increases the number of cars and taxis which must carry the people to buildings and mass transport. High density office areas hold automobile transportation to a minimum. Low, spread-out buildings increase the burden of traffic. Wall Street, for example, is the densest area in the world, but has no major traffic problem. Mercer Street has, not because of height, but because of the type of business. What are needed are more and better subways and mass transportation and less dependency upon the single car to get from one place to another. Space in Manhattan is limited but it is the metropolis downtown and should be carefully planned within those limits. To improve walkability, New York City should appoint a Commissioner of Pedestrians who might change a few downtown streets into no-way streets, create some interesting pedestrian islands, install a few bicycle paths and generally protect the nonprofessional streetwalker, Japan's Ginza districts, which are nothing more than old alleys roofed over with awnings and barred to traffic, emphasize how popular shopping centers can be if autos are banned.-Excerpt from article on urban planning; see page 155.

Battery Park. The worker is in the canyon only for a working day, and this is a business togetherness, not a dwelling concentration. The vertical theory of convenience would soon be dissipated if the district were too large, so large that automobile traffic became a necessity.

It is difficult to imagine Wall Street as anything but a vertical community. If all of the brokerage houses and banks and lawyers and other businesses had to visit each other or send paper work over long distances, the streets would soon become impossible.

Grand Central is neither so well defined nor so homogeneous as Wall Street, but there are great numbers of office buildings within walking distance of each other. They cluster around Grand Central Terminal, whence cometh all workers, either by train or by subway. Many of them are connected underground through the terminal or the subway tunnels, so that the walk from one building to another doesn't even risk bad weather.

The upper Park Avenue development is attached to the north end of the Grand Central business community. The Pan Am Building and the new Union



Before and after: Access routes to Grand Central Terminal's main concourse before and after construction of the Pan Am Building. The pedestrian's life will be eased by a wide promenade leading directly from concourse to 44th Street and Vanderbilt Avenue and to 45th Street and thence to upper Park Avenue



Carbide Building would certainly be included in "Grand Central," but Seagram's and Lever House are a longish walk from most of the cluster.

But the location of the Pan Am is right smack in the center of it all. Thus its vertical disposition of offices and workers is operating the theory of verticality about as well as possible. The development of Park Avenue as a location for business headquarters offices will probably stretch the Grand Central district far enough so that walking may get a bit long, and taxi and bus traffic may tend to get heavy. As far as the Pan Am is concerned, however, it should be clear that it will be doing all that's possible to cut down on taxi traffic, just exactly because it puts so many offices in the heart of the district.

HOW ABOUT A PARK?

One of the architects with whom I discussed this building held out for the thought that the Pan Am site was an ideal spot for a little park. When I protested that the exact center of a business center didn't seem a logical spot for a park, he charged me with condoning all sorts of business greed, and had me saying that Bryant Park (behind the Library) should be stuffed full of large office buildings. But if this theory of business togetherness has any validity, there is a big difference between the Bryant Park location and that of the Pan Am Building. The park is at the edge of the Grand Central district, really between Grand Central and Times Square, an ideal location for a park. While people do walk between Grand Central and Times Square, the two are really separate, and the proper place for a park is between such concentrations of use. A park on the Pam Am site might be pleasant and pretty, but one has to believe that if we were to undertake to force the opening of the city for parks we should choose some site other than the best possible location for an office building.

Sentimental considerations do enter into these matters. It is easy to say, to believe, that we should open up our cities with parks and plazas, that we should limit the height of buildings, break up congested areas, and disperse office and business concentrations, to limit crowds. It is easy to believe that these are good ideas, and it is easy to point to cities, Paris for example, where concentrations are restricted. Great names in architecture and planning have been telling us these things for decades—names like Howard and Wright and Le Corbusier and Stein and Mumford.

But I think it is easy also to become confused by what is after all some nice but wishful thinking.

The first source of confusion lies in the difference between working and living. Congestion that might make living difficult might make business more pleasant. (One could get involved in a nice argument about the relative desirability or undesirability of density in living arrangements, but I shall simply walk around this one at the moment.) I am dealing here merely with working together in the city.

And I believe that concentration is desirable in working arrangements. It is the reason for the city, the attraction of the city, and it is a powerful attrac-



Above: Upper (Park Avenue Ramp) level Left: Lower (Vanderbilt Avenue) level tion for business offices. A few years ago several large corporations were planning to move headquarters offices to Westchester, where everybody could work happily in the countryside. Only a few actually did it. Others began to face the reality of moving families from the city to the country, of trying to hire secretaries in the country (young ladies like to commute to the city, or indeed to live there), or the difficulties of parking or traffic when everybody has to drive to work. The move to the country just did not pan out.

So the city means concentration. And maybe we should accept that idea and start planning to do it the right way. It doesn't seem too horrible a thought that business concentration is desirable, just in the way it has developed in the Wall Street area. It doesn't seem inhuman to put people reasonably close together, so long as we are not cramping the space in which they work. If we are just putting their offices in vertical buildings which are close enough together for walking between, aren't we after all just adding to the convenience and efficiency of our day's work? People don't seem to resent this kind of planning.

One supposes, of course, that there are limits. Riders on the Lexington Avenue subway, or the shuttle to Times Square, might offer the thought that there the limit of worker congestion had been reached. And I should be happy to agree. Parenthetically, however, this observer can testify to the fact that the subway congestion on these two worst lines has changed very little in thirty-five years (the transit authority experts agree). In that time three elevated lines have been torn down, and only one of them was replaced by a subway. Traffic experts don't like to make flat statements about subway congestion, though they do point out that if the discomfort of congestion became too great there are other lines that could be used which are not used to capacity. In any case, one would have to believe that the theory of planning would suggest an approach to an ideal business community, with public transportation equal to the job to be done.

Confusion about congestion also comes from not sorting out pedestrians from automobiles. Streets that are really impossible for cars and trucks (as in New York's garment center), can still offer plenty of room for pedestrians. The aim of planning, it would seem, would be to provide for a congestion, or congregation, of people, without their automobiles. The Pan Am Building just happens to be in the exact location which offers the least temptation for driving, or, the other way 'round, the maximum of convenience of public transportation. It is true, and this is a source of regret, that Pan Am will contain a garage for 300 cars, which will offer that much temptation to automobile traffic. This was planned because it was said that top executives must have some possibility of driving to their offices and parking cars on the site. But, of course, any temptation to drive to the building negates by that much the theory of this observer that this is essentially planning for pedestrians.

A third source of confusion is simply wishful thinking about the containment of a city like New York. I read a long article recently about the growth of the business community in London and the reasons why it should be forbidden. But who is to forbid it? And how is it to be done? And if it could be done, how is business to be accommodated? I am unable to picture New York City refusing to grow. I have the feeling that if you force relocation or dispersion you add to communication and transportation difficulties. And thus your very efforts to avoid congestion become self-defeating. Why not plan a peopleto-people organization of the business community, and do the utmost to obviate an automobile-to-automobile system? In this organization you would use the elevator to the fullest to substitute for horizontal transportation. You would use the three-dimensional means of keeping people within walking distance of one another.

It would appear certain the population explosion will cause a similar explosion in business populations, and that we must plan for it, not simply try to wish it away.

THE WALKING LIMITS

Now it is apparent that this vertical community cannot extend forever. Maybe there is danger in the general area surrounding Grand Central that the business community will grow too large. Too extensive, I mean. Perhaps it already has. The whole theory breaks down at the point where distances become too great for the pedestrian system I have been expounding. Then the convenience ends and surface transportation becomes increasingly necessary. Then you do have "congestion," congestion of the worst kind.

Perhaps the theory would suggest a series of business centers—Wall Street is the perfect example groups of tall buildings close together. Close together, but confined in spread. Such communities could then be separated by parks or open plazas or centers for different use. Perhaps even residential communities. Perhaps shopping facilities. Perhaps in a perfect world, recreational centers.

Perhaps it is not possible in our existing world to arrange matters thus neatly. But I should like to believe that we had some reasonable plan in mind when we started to scream for more planning power than we now enjoy. I think the time has passed when we can simply hold out for the height-limit type of zoning and planning which brings us the horizontal city. Thus do I defend Pan Am. It is a great big proponent of the vertical city. And I believe that the vertical city, in reasonable chunks, is what the necessities of the times would indicate.

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Electric Heating Boosted for Houses Electric heating is becoming a significant factor in houses when you consider the prediction that in another five years there will be several million installations. Electrically heated houses have caught on in a number of geographical areas. Primary reasons for this seem to be that heating bills are less than might have been expected, and that utilities are finding this a favorable kind of load to promote since it evens out the hills and valleys caused by other loads, and helps keep the power capacity busy in winter that is now needed for summer air conditioning.

Utilities discovered when they checked the power being consumed by houses for electric heating that the kwhr often were much less than estimated by traditional calculating methods. Most of these houses had full-thickness insulation-6 in. over the ceiling and 4 in. in walls—but, nonetheless, heating bills often were shown to be 25 per cent less than estimated. This has been taken account of in calculation procedures recommended by FHA and the National Electrical Manufacturers' Association, and is borne out by a study just published by the University of Illinois Small Homes Council-Building Research Council, "Case Studies in Electric Heating," (\$1.50) by Donald E. Brotherson, Research Assistant Professor of Architecture. This study which involved 10 houses, with either baseboard heating or ceiling cable, in the Commonwealth Edison system points out that since each room of these houses has individual thermostatic control, rooms receiving extraneous gains from solar radiation, occupants or other electrical apparatus need not be heated as much or as often as other rooms not receiving these gains. Results are more even temperatures and less tendency to overheat or underheat areas of the house; consequently more economy. The study also proposes that typically 25 per cent less kwhr will be needed for houses with individually controlled rooms, than would be indicated by the conventional degree-day formula.

The Word is Flammable is subject to easy ignition and rapid flaming combustion." The antonym is non-flammable. Committee E-5 has developed definitions for afterglow, fireproof ("an absolute condition not attainable in practice; use of this term should be avoided"), fire resistive, fire retardant, flame spread, flame spread index and superimposed load. These terms await approval by Committee letter ballot.

> Gas turbines are currently in the news as possible individual power plants for shopping centers, large schools, remotely located commercial and industrial buildings and the like. J. B. Caldwell, project engineer for the AiResearch Manufacturing Division of The Garrett Corporation, who prefers to call this system the "on-site energy package," suggests that the building designer will have to consider the nature of this power supply and accommodate for the differences in design. These differences will consist, he says, of programming required to fit the building loads to the load-carrying capacity of the system, and to accommodate the system to the automatic controls that will be required. An interesting point is that with highfrequency generators (420 cycles) the efficiency of fluorescent lighting is increased anywhere from 3 to 10 per cent, AiResearch reports.

No Bridges to Cross Bridging for wood joist floor construction has been found neither to strengthen floors nor to reduce vibration substantially, according to a 124-page report by the Research Institute Laboratory of the National Association of Home Builders. On the basis of this investigation and research by others, the report concludes that bridging is unnecessary when floors are designed according to good engineering practice, making possible savings of from \$30 to \$50 per 1000 sq ft.

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PRECAST APARTMENT STRUCTURE SAVES COST, SHOWS ITS DESIGN

Assembly of four-story columns and channel slabs is speeded by a special connection detail

How to join precast elements efficiently is a difficult problem for the engineer. How to join them in a way that makes sense spatially and visually is a difficult problem for the architect. Here is how architect Tasso Katselas and engineer R. M. Gensert view their participation in design of this Pittsburgh apartment building:

ARCHITECT'S REMARKS:

In speculative housing, the strongest design drive is economy of construction. This calls for a straight forward approach to get as much space and thermal comfort as the budget will allow.

The structural frame of this building, ready to receive exterior facing and mechanicals, cost well below \$3.00 per sq ft. Without this economy the project couldn't have been built.

Next came the problem of how to express this method architecturally. Since the floor slabs could be run past the columns, it was possible to make this read on the exterior by extending the slabs as hooded covers for each apartment unit.

Since rooms are oriented in this direction, the canopy cover gives a sense of privacy and enclosure to apartment occupants.

Beams become strong directional members from the inside, defining each space.

At the roof level, a stronger expression is gained by making the canopy overhang even larger. This serves the same function as a period at the end of a sentence: it terminates the simple geometric pattern which otherwise might seem endless.

The same structural system is used also to frame the canopy and bridge members that lead into the building, as well as the enclosed individual garages at the lower level.

With garages on the lower level, it was possible to separate pedestrian and vehicular traffic. The building is on a corner lot, so it made sense to use one street for approach by auto, and the other more residential street for approach directly by foot from shopping areas.

Architecturally, one of the big problems with any precast system is how joining of the diverse parts takes place. In this case, the voids













Mildred Schmertz

Building consists of three apartment floors and a basement garage. Only two basic structural components, columns and channel slabs, are used throughout. Slabs provide canopies for windows and are cantilevered to make balconies at three points on the elevation. Framing plan is of the third floor. Open space on plan is above lobby, which has elevator in center and stairs at back

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Kentucky Negley Apartments, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania ARCHITECT: Tasso Katselas STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: R. M. Gensert, Associates GENERAL CONTRACTOR: John R. Hess



Spaces between channel slabs in the longitudinal direction are filled in by pour strips which are reinforced and tied to interior columns to form portal frames. Spaces between slabs in corridor (see photo) have a grout key. No topping is necessary



Precast columns are precision plumbed by bolting to steel plates set in the pile caps. Columns and ordinary reinforced slabs are precast on a vacant lot near the site



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between slabs were simply filled in for required wind bracing after the mechanicals were installed.

The design for this apartment building proves that a simple direct approach to precasting is possible in speculative housing. Here is one solution to economical fire-resistive construction with endless possibilities for expression.

—Tasso Katselas

ENGINEER'S REMARKS:

We feel that this is an interesting application of precast concrete from both architectural and structural viewpoints.

As an architectural concept, it expresses the simple relationship of horizontal and vertical elements without interruptions in either one.

The structural concept is one of maximum continuity of columns for stability, and minimum number of floor elements for ease and economy in erection. The single type of floor element with joints occurring only at column lines made it possible to eliminate concrete topping.

The beams or stems of the channels are designed as L-shaped members; the slabs are considered for continuity with these integral supporting beams.

The construction method was oriented toward site precasting, which was performed by Hufschmidt Engineering Company of Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin. Precasting was done on a vacant plot of land across the street from the building site. A rapid schedule required stripping of forms within 24 hours.

Connections are always a problem in precast concrete, and they were the most difficult design problem on this project. Columns were one piece and connected to pile caps with four anchor bolts and eight nuts. Double nuts per bolt permitted precision plumbing of columns.

Columns and slabs contained welded steel boxes that were cast within the concrete. Large steel angles were used to transfer the load from slab box to column box. Purpose of these boxes was to accommodate high shear and bearing stresses within the concrete.

The cast-in-place strips between the slabs were reinforced and attached to the interior columns via reinforcement to resist wind moments.

WHAT FIRE TESTS MEAN

How they relate to actual building conditions

by Robert S. Moulton, Consulting Fire Protection Engineer

Building codes contain many requirements on fire testing. They specify that fire doors shall be of a certain rating, that flame spread be limited to a certain figure, and so on. There are a number of these tests which, if not fully understood, may be quite confusing so this article is an attempt to explore and explain them.

First of all beware of test fires because they may be built to demonstrate the fire resistance of almost anything. The blow torch is a good example. There are all sorts of materials which can be subjected to the flame of a blow torch, carefully applied in the center and not on the edge of the sample and not for too long a time, to show that almost any material is immune to fire danger. This, however, does not represent actual fire conditions where the flame envelopes the material, attacks the edges and lasts for a long enough time to dry everything out and result in propagating flame.

The Standard Fire Test

Fire tests are designed to provide standard conditions for comparative testing of different materials-tests which can be reproduced in different laboratories so that any given material will have the same fire rating, irrespective of where it is tested. The oldest and perhaps best known of these tests is the standard fire test which was developed in the early 1900's and is used quite generally throughout the world. There are some variations in other countries. but essentially the test is the same. This is based upon application of a sample to a standard fire. This is shown graphically on next page where the temperature increases gradually with time. The test is a National Fire Protection Association Standard, No. 251, Standard Methods of Fire Tests of Building Construction and Materials. It is also adopted by the American Society for Testing and Materials, A.S.T.M. E-19, and by Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc., U.L. 263.

This test *represents* a hot fire in which wood is the fuel. (In actuality the test is conducted using a gas furnace.) It has the advantage of providing reproducible and realistic conditions, but it should not be construed as representing every fire. The reason is that fires vary all the way from an explosion, where maximum heat is reached almost instantaneously, to the slow, smoldering fire where heat develops very gradually, and flame does not break out until after a considerable period of time. Thus ratings in hours represent only exposure to the standard fire test which is a convenient measure of fire resistance. They do not necessarily relate to actual fire exposure conditions which may be somewhat shorter or a lot longer in developing heat to the point where it reaches the figure given on the standard fire test curve.

Many fire tests measure only fire resistance: the total length of time it will take for a fire to burn through the sample of material, or become sufficiently hot to ignite combustible material on the unexposed side. This does not mean that the sample has to be noncombustible in order to pass the test. Actually a solid wood partition, if of sufficient thickness, can withstand any specified fire test, even though the side exposed to the fire may be burning furiously.

For load bearing walls, beams, columns and floors, the test must take into consideration the effect of the load, and if the structure collapses before the expiration of the rated fire endurance period, it simply fails the test.

Heat Expansion

It is a well known fact that most materials expand under the influence of heat, and fire test procedures constitute no exception. Thus there is a relationship between the size of the sample and the results. Fire doors, for example, are rated with a given degree of fire resistance for certain sizes and when they exceed those sizes they are not so rated simply because no one knows just how much they may expand due to fire.

Fire Door Tests

For fire doors there are other factors to be considered, particularly the fact that fire doors cannot fit the openings tightly; there must be sufficient clearance for them to open and close. This is a matter which is carefully specified in the standard of the National Fire Protection Association on this subject, N.F.P.A. No. 252. Fire Tests of Door Assemblies. American Society for Testing and Materials, A.S.T.M. E 152, Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. U.L. 10G. It is recognized that a certain amount of heat will pass around the doors. However, if the doors are placed in a normal manner, protecting openings through the wall, it may be assumed that on both sides there will be a passageway for convenience in travel, and that combustible materials will not be piled directly against the door. Thus a certain amount of heat can pass around the edges and be dissipated in the large area on the other side without vitiating the value of the door.

With doors protecting vaults, there is no large area on the reverse side, and it is customary to have the doors fit really tightly with steptype interlocking joint gasketing so that there will be no passage of heat and flame around the edge of the door. By design, this type of door has a much higher fire resistance, and is rated in units of 2, 4 and 6 hours on the standard time tem-

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perature curve. Vault doors are not practical for ordinary installation in building openings.

Vault doors are subjected to the standard fire test with a tight enclosure behind them, representing a vault, and the temperature in the enclosure is measured to be sure that the ignition temperature of paper is not reached within the specified time of the test.

Flame Spread

Flame spread ratings constitute an entirely different subject. Here the question is how much the interior finish of the building will contribute to fire in case it is ignited in any way. In the Hartford Hospital fire, interior finish was ignited by flames coming from a rubbish chute, but ignition might have come from any one of a number of different sources. If the flame spread rating is too high, flame will travel along the interior finish as it did in Hartford.

What is the test here? There is a well established flame spread test which also measures the amount of smoke generated and, incidentally, the amount of fuel contributed by the material. This test is based upon a scale where asbestos cement board is rated zero and red oak lumber at 100. This test is designated as National Fire Protection Association No. 255, Method of Test of Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials; A.S.T.M. No. E84; U.L. No. 723.

This test uses a "tunnel" 2-ft wide and about 25-ft long where a gas flame of specified intensity is placed at one end; the time is measured for the flame to travel down the tunnel to the far end. If the flame travel is the same as red oak, the rating is 100; if it is faster the rating is higher; and if it is slower the rating is lower. There is a tremendous variation in commonly used materials. Most species of wood will rate at well under 200, so wherever codes permit a flame spread of 200, ordinary wood paneling is acceptable. However, this means wood of nominal 1-in. thickness; not plywood, unless specifically designed to have a low flame spread. Paneling in the Hotel LaSalle fire in Chicago was tested and found to have a flame spread of over 500. This was due to the fact that it was glued with an adhesive which softened quickly under the influence of heat and permitted the delamination of

the thin outer ply. In the Cocoanut Grove night club fire in Boston, the ceiling had a flame spread rating of 2500. Actual flame spreads range all the way down to zero which is the accepted rating for ordinary gypsum plaster without any surface coating. All these flame spread ratings are well known, or should be, and Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. and Underwriters' Laboratories of Canada print lists classifying various acoustical tiles and other common materials. If you want to get any specified flame spread rating, it is very desirable to purchase only materials labeled by Underwriters' Laboratories.

Another factor that affects flame spread is the adhesive with which the acoustical material or other material is affixed to the wall or ceiling. Some of these adhesives have very poor qualities when exposed to fire. If the acoustical material has a flame-retardant treatment only on the exposed face and the back of the material is untreated, it is possible that under the influence of fire the adhesive will soften, releasing the tile; thus a serious fire can result, even though the exposed face has a relatively high flame spread rating. Avoid the use of an adhesive of unknown fire properties to hold a tile in place which has been tested only with positive metal fastenings. Of course, with the tile made from noncombustible materials, this problem does not arise. Neither does it arise in case of a material which is integrally treated with flameproofing materials.

Roofing Tests

Roofing materials are tested not only for susceptibility to ignition, but in properties of giving off flying brands when exposed to fire, brands which may be wafted by the wind to start other fires a long distance away. This was a major factor in the recent Los Angeles brush fires last fall which received so much publicity. Here we have different classes designated as A, B, C, etc., in which A is represented by solid tile and similar materials of sufficient thickness to provide some insulating effect to a wooden roof deck beneath; Class B, materials of intermediate resistance; Class C as characterized by asphalt impregnated felt shingles; and Class D by wooden shingles. This is all



STANDARD TIME-TEMPERATURE CURVE represents a hot fire in which wood is the fuel. Note the high temperature rise during the first ten-minutes time

based upon a definite fire test procedure which is quite different from that used for walls, partitions and interior finish, but is nonetheless important. It is designated as N.F.P.A. No. 256, Methods of Fire Tests of Roof Coverings.

Fire Door Classifications

It is important to note that it is not necessary to have a 2-hr fire door to protect an opening in a 2-hr partition. A fire door of 11/2- or 1-hr rating is generally sufficient, according to the provisions of most building codes. This is confusing because one would think that in order to secure the desired fire resistance rating it would be necessary to have a fire door with a rating the same as that of the wall. Other factors, however, come into this picture-questions of structural stability and particularly heat expansion—so that actually a 1-hr fire door in a 2-hr wall is generally considered acceptable. A fire door of 11/2-hr rating is specified in some places, but in my opinion is seldom actually needed since such doors are commonly used to protect stairway enclosures; and in order for the stairway enclosure to fail, it is necessary for a fire to get into the enclosure on a lower floor and out again on an upper floor. As far as life safety is concerned, this very seldom happens because, well within the specified fire resistance period, everyone normally will have had time to get out of the building or will have been burned to death. Fire doors are tested under the provisions of N.F.P.A. No. 252, Fire Tests of Door Assemblies, using the same time-temperature curve as for tests of walls.

Fire wall doors are in a somewhat different category. Here the building code rules mostly follow the provisions of the N.F.P.A. Standards on



FLAME SPREAD TESTS are conducted in a 25-ft long "tunnel" furnace at Underwriters' Laboratories in Chicago. Gas flames are projected against the far end of sample. Flame spread, temperature and smoke readings plus combustion samples are taken



One important feature of fire doors is their hardware. It is essential that fire doors, in order to provide their desired fire resistance rating, be left securely closed, and in the case of large doors more than one latch is needed. For this reason it is customary to provide the door frame as well as the doors in one unit, all of which is labeled by Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. The best fire door in the world improperly installed will not produce its desired fire resistance rating.

Another point of considerable confusion is the sizes of wired glass panels that are permitted in elevator doors, stair doors and other doors to avoid accidents. The standards do specify a small vision panel for Class B fire doors which are those designed for use on stairway enclosures and elevator shafts; these have a rating of 1 hr or $1\frac{1}{2}$ hr. It should be noted that the standards permit corridor and room partition doors which normally have a fire resistance rating of ³/₄ hr to have larger wired glass panels. In order to provide the desired fire resistance, the panels must be wired glass, and this glass must be set securely in place so that it will not fall out under fire exposure conditions.

Getting the Specified Material

How can you be sure that a partition, a column, a door, or any other component has a specified fire resistance or flame spread rating? Actually, the answer to this is quite easy if you will just use Underwriters' Laboratories' List of Inspected Building Materials. All sorts of building components have been tested, and the listing indicates not only compliance with original test specifications, but a follow-up factory inspection which is designated to assure that subsequent production will be the same as the original sample tested. This is very important because there are many features where small variations in construction will make a major difference in test results. Consider, for example, the fire resistance of gypsum board nailed to wood studs. Underwriters' Laboratories' list says that in order to secure the desired fire resistance the gypsum boards must be nailed in a specified manner, such as with 4d cement coated common nails, spaced 7 in. on centers. They don't say if you use 6d nails, not coated, spaced some different distance on centers, you may not get the same fire test result at all. My advice is to use Underwriters' Laboratories' list and when you want something that is not covered in the listing, make careful inquiries to be sure that you are getting the desired fire resistance.

One may wonder why building codes and standards specify a 2-hr or other stated fire resistance in situ-



FIRE DOORS, one on each side of a 12in. fire wall, are given operating test preceding the test for fire exposure

ations where there is very little to burn, and where it is difficult to imagine a fire of the specified intensity. This is largely to give a factor of safety in order to take care of variations in materials and workmanship which do not affect the appearance or the functioning of the finished job, but which may have an important effect on fire resistance. Also, there may be some thought of providing construction of sufficient strength and rigidity to stay in place, which may not be the case with construction of lower fire test ratings.

Plastics

One area of great confusion is in respect to plastics. It may be claimed that certain materials cannot be tested by the standard fire test methods; and that these materials are "slow burning" or "self-extinguishing" when tested by some other test procedure. If you will actually look at the test procedure, you will see that what is done is to test a small sample, say 1/2-in. wide and 5-in. long. This is a good development test and indicates certain properties of the material. It does not, however, necessarily indicate at all what will happen when you have the entire surface of a room covered with the same material. Actually, some of the worst fires can occur in "slow burning" and "self-extinguishing" plastics, which when burning on a large scale have very different characteristics from that of the small scale test. The same thing is more or less true of many other materials. Just be sure that the test that you specify is realistic and actually representative of the conditions of use of the product which you wish to employ.

Folding Partitions

Folding doors ordinarily do not take up enough of the wall space of a room to cause much concern. Ten per cent of the wall and ceiling area, according to N.F.P.A. Standards, may have a higher flame spread rating ("Tunnel Test," N.F.P.A. No. 255) than permitted for the room generally. However, when folding partitions are used, as in a church basement which does double duty as an assembly room for church suppers and for small church school rooms, the folding partitions may take up threequarters of the wall area, and then flame spread properties are important.

These folding partitions are of two types, the solid type which can be tested by the "tunnel test," and the type which consists of fabric on a folding frame, which calls for a different test: N.F.P.A. No. 701, the test developed for flameproofed fabrics, but which is applicable to any fabric. If your folding partition fabric passes this large scale test it is acceptable, but similar, small-scale tests are not suitable for fabrics in folds and won't show the burning qualities of a large area of material.

Use of Tested Materials

Selecting proper materials and devices which have been subjected to proper fire tests to provide some specified fire test rating is actually only a part of the picture, and, in my opinion, a less important part than the way in which the materials are used. Consider, for example, fire doors.

Fire doors of proper construction and properly installed do a wonderful job in stopping the spread of fire. But, did you ever look at what happens to fire doors after they are installed? A great many of them will be found held open with convenient wooden wedges stuck under the door. You might just as well save the money and not put in such a door at all because so long as it is open, it just cannot do its job. I have found many fire doors in the field which have been wedged open so long and painted over so many times, including the hinges, that they just can't be shut.

Fusible Links

Next to the wooden wedge under the bottom of the door as a bugaboo, which probably won't burn through until long after everyone in the building is dead, we have the improperly installed fusible link, designed to hold the door open but release it in case of fire. When fusible links are placed at door knob height, they certainly won't operate soon enough to do much good.

The proper place for a fusible link is near the ceiling. Hot air rises, and a fusible link at the ceiling will operate far sooner than one lower down. Approved fusible links (note that these too are listed by Underwriters' Laboratories) will ordinarily do a good job in releasing the door if they are properly arranged and if the fire spreads normally. Note, however, that a rating on the fusible link of 165 F does not mean that the metal will melt and release the door at an air temperature of 165 F. These links are tested in an oven where the temperature is increased very gradually, and while they will operate at 165 when exposed for a long period of time to this particular temperature, it should be noted that this is not representative of fire conditions where the temperature rises fairly quickly. It may be necesary to reach a temperature of 200 F or 300 F, or higher, in order to transmit enough heat to the link to cause it to melt. The same thing is true with other fusible link devices such as automatic sprinklers, and while great stress is ordinarily placed on a sprinkler of a low rated melting temperature, with an actual fire it does not make much difference in time of response whether the sprinkler is rated at 165 F or at 212 F.

Stopping Spread of Smoke

While the fusible link does a good job in closing the door, under fire conditions it does not stop smoke. It is a well known fact that most fire deaths are due to asphyxiation rather than actual heat and burns. It has been shown by test that lethal smoke is not necessarily hot, or at least not hot enough to operate fusible link devices. This was demonstrated conclusively by the Los Angeles Fire Department in a long series of tests on schools where fires were built in various parts of school buildings under a wide variety of situations and smoke conditions observed by experienced firemen stationed throughout the building. Contrary to the expectations of many fire authorities, the temperatures were not sufficient to operate links and close fire doors. This means that if doors are installed primarily for the safeguarding of human life, they just must be kept closed, or, if open, be controlled by something other than heat-sensitive devices.

This concept of the low temperature of lethal smoke is still fairly new, and man's ingenuity has not as yet had time to work out all the details of proper controls. There are some devices on the market now, and more will be available soon, to provide for the quick closing of doors whenever there is a fire anywhere in the building. This means either automatic smoke detection control or connection to an automatic fire detection or automatic sprinkler system. All these systems, by the way, are also subject to tests and if you specify any such arrangement you should make sure that the component parts are tested and that the installation is correct.

Location of Doors

Another important point is the location of the door. I recently inspected a building that had many excellent fire doors, all installed following the Chicago school fire in which 93 lives were lost, and which demonstrated conclusively the fact that doors are needed on stair enclosures to prevent the upward spread of lethal smoke. The doors on the building that I inspected were excellent doors and expensive. However, in addition to being held open by wedges or fusible links at waist level, they were located entirely wrong; about 90 per cent of the expense of their installation was wasted.

Literal compliance with building code requirements without an understanding of their purpose can produce not only abortions in fire safety, but also can cost a lot of unnecessary money. My advice to designers is that they should become thoroughly familiar with fire safety requirements, understanding their purpose. so that they can work out the details in the most economical manner and with the maximum safety. Or, if they are not in a position to do this themselves, they should retain qualified fire protection engineers to advise them.

SELECTION GUIDE TO GENERAL OFFICE LIGHTING

A simplified procedure for selecting lamps and luminaires to control direct glare from illumination in general office space

by John J. Neidhart,* IES Committee on Office Lighting

Factors to be considered in selection of lamps and lighting equipment for offices include the illumination level to be maintained, size and surface finishes of rooms, available mounting height, degree of brightness control required, and esthetic considerations. Selection procedure will be approached here by first considering continuous row spacings for a maintained illumination level of 100 footcandles (fc) using several types of equipment with different lampings and lamp loadings. This basic situation then can be converted to other practical ranges in illumination lev-

* Member since 1949; chairman 1951 to 1956. Mr. Neidhart is manager, Application Engineering, The Miller Co., Meriden, Conn. el. It seems logical to assume the use of continuous rows for this demonstration since they are so widely used and have the advantages of acceptable appearance and minimum wiring and installation expense.

A key factor in luminaire selection is comparison of the average brightness distribution of proposed luminaires against the Scissors Curve (dark lines in Fig. 1) introduced by IES as a guide for selecting luminaires without fear of creating a direct-glare problem. (See the 1960 revision of "Recommended Practice for Office Lighting.") To use the scissors curve, one needs merely to plot the crosswise and lengthwise average brightnesses of the luminaire using manufacturers' data in footlamberts at 45, 55, 65, 75, and 85 degrees from the vertical (nadir). (These averages are here again averaged to make a single curve for simpler demonstration. In practice, they would be plotted separately.) If the curves so plotted lie entirely below any straight line drawn through the scissors curve fulcrum and between the heavy lines shown on Fig. 1, the luminaires can be used for 30- to 100-fc installations in any size office without creating a directglare problem. Although there are insufficient data to assure accurate extension of the range of the scissors curve beyond a 100-fc level, in the absence of any alternative it seems reasonable to use it as a guide throughout the 50- to 200-fc range.





Summary of	practical,	maintained	illumination	ranges:
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1.1.1.1	BRIGHTNESS	ILLUMINATION RANGE, Fc*				
LAMPING	RATING	SMALL ROOMS (Ratio = 0.8)	MEDIUM ROOMS (Ratio = 1.5)	LARGE ROOMS (Ratio = 3.0)		
2- 430 ma	Excellent	30- 50	40- 75	50-100		
4- 430 ma	Excellent	50- 90	75-150	100-200		
2- 800 ma	Excellent	35-75	50-100	75-130		
4- 800 ma	Good	70-150	100-200	150-200+		
2-1500 ma	Fair	70-125	90-175	120-200+		

*Assuming continuous rows 51/2 to 11 ft on centers, 10-ft mounting height



FOOT

CANDLE

One candlepower point source at the center of a sphere of 1-ft radius provides *illumination* at any point on the sphere of one *footcandle* by emitting one *lumen* per unit area subtended on the surface by the square of the radius. If the sphere were perfectly diffusing and no light loss occurred, it would have a *brightness*, to an observer on the outside, of one *footlambert*. Note that illumination is light received at a surface, while brightness is light emitted.

The abbreviation ma is milliamperes of current.

Room ratio is a function of width, length and height which affects utilization of light in a space. For direct, semi-direct and general diffuse lighting (where H is mounting height above work):

Rr = WL/H(W+L)

In this article, all mounting height references have been converted to height above the floor.

TABLE 1. SUSPENDED DIRECT-INDIRECT UNITS WITH 45- by 45-deg LOUVER

(Continuous row spacings for 100 fc)

	Number and Loading of Lamps				
Room Ratio	4-430 ma 2-800 ma 2-1500 ma				
	Spa	e Between Ro	ws, ft		
0.8	5	4	7		
1.5	9	6	10		
3.0	12	8	13		

Maximum spacing; 1.1 x mounting height Reflectances: ceiling, 80%; walls, 30-50%; floor, 10%. These apply to Tables 1 through 5

The first type of luminaire to be considered (Fig. 1) is a widely-used, suspended, direct-indirect unit with 45by 45-degree louver. In Table 1, the continuous row spacings that will maintain an average level of 100 fc at desk height with three possible lampings of the luminaire are tabulated for three different room sizes. The spacings given in Table 1 can be converted easily to other lampings or to 50- or 200-fc levels by simple multi-

TABLE 2. SURFACE UNIT WITH PLASTIC LOUVER USING 430 ma LAMPS

(Continuous row spacings for 100 fc)

Room Ratio	No. of Lamps & Sizes of Luminaire				
	2-1p,	1'x4' 2-1p, 2'x4'	4-1p, 2'x4'		
		Space Between Re	ows, ft		
0.8	3	31/2	7		
1.5	4	5	91/2		
3.0	5	6	111/2		

Maximum spacing: 0.8 x mounting height

plication and division. For example, rows of fixtures with 2-430 ma lamps could be 6 ft apart for 100 fc or 12 ft for 50 fc in a room with ratio 3.0.

Maximum permissible spacings are noted in these tables for uniform illumination. Minimum spacing is largely a matter of esthetics, but indirect light from the ceiling would be more or less trapped if there were insufficient open space between rows. A spacing of $5\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 ft would be a practical minimum for the unit in Fig. 1 and Table 1.

Average brightness distributions for this direct-indirect luminaire with different lampings are shown in Fig. 1. All lampings plotted, except for 2-1500 ma lamps, fall below the scissors curve limits. Fig. 1 also includes a summary with the table of row spacings converted into illumination ranges that could be maintained by practical installations for an assumed set of conditions.

Surface-Mounted Luminaires

Lower ceiling heights often preclude the use of suspended luminaires. Furthermore, surface-mounted or recessed units are frequently preferred for esthetic reasons. Although the direct-indirect luminaires discussed above can be surface-mounted, their distribution will change to direct or semi-direct and their brightnesses will be increased since much of the



Fig. 2. Brightness comparison for surface mounted units using 4-ft, 430 ma lamps (higher lamp loadings lose efficiency through high temperature operation in these units)

Summary of practical, maintained illumination ranges:							
AND	BRIGHTNESS	ILLUMINATION RANGE, Fc*					
SIZE	RATING	SMALL ROOMS	MEDIUM ROOMS	LARGE ROOMS			
2 Lamp 1'x4'	Fair	40- 75	50-100	60-125			
2 Lamp 2'x4'	Excellent	45- 90	65-125	75-150			
4 Lamp 2'x4'	Fair	90-175	120-225	150-250			

*Assuming continuous rows spaced 4 ft to 8 ft on centers with luminaires at 10-ft mounting height



Fig. 3. Brightness comparison for plastic wrap-around surface mounted units with 430 ma lamps (various types shown in Table 3)

Summary of practical, maintained illumination ranges:

and the	1.1.1	1.20.2025	ILLUMINATION RANGE, Fc*			
	NUMBER	BRIGHTNESS	SMALL	MEDIUM	LARGE	
CLOSURE	LAMPS	RATING	ROOMS	ROOMS	ROOMS	
Diffuser	2	Fair	30- 60	35- 85	50-100	
Narrow, High	1.12.20		1.5.1-5	100 March 100		
Eff. Lens	2	Good	45-100	60-140	75-170	
Wide, High	2	Very Good	45-100	60-140	75-170	
Efficiency	3	Good	65-150	100-200	115-250	
Lens	4	High	85-180	120-270	140-300+	
Low Br. Lens	2	Excellent	35-75	50-100	55-125	

*Assuming continuous rows 4 ft to 10 ft (Diffuser) or 9 ft (Lens) on centers with luminaires at 10-ft mounting height
normal upward component will be redirected through the luminaire. Where surface-mounting is required, it is generally preferable to use luminaires specifically designed for the purpose. Fig. 2 illustrates such a luminaire and the scissors curve plot for three lampings and sizes which are typical for this unit.

Row spacings to provide 100 fc are given in Table 2. Close row spacings of this type of equipment can have a good appearance while minimizing shadows and reflected glare. Hence a spacing of 4 ft between row centers would be desirable, and the maximum spacing for uniform illumination would be 8 ft if the mounting height were 10 ft. This range was used for the summary in Fig. 2. Slightly wider spacings can be used with 2-lamp, 2-ft-wide units than with 2-lamp, 1-ft-wide units because lamps operate at lower temperature and there is less trapped light.



	Diffosci	ringh Enterency Letis	-			
Ratio	2-lamp	Narrow-2-lamp	2-lp.	3-lp.	4-lp.	2-lamp
	11 2.1	Sp	ace Betwe	en Rows, ft	(
0.8	21/2	4	4	6	71/2	3
1.5	31/2	51/2	6	9	11	4
3.0	41/2	7	7	101/2	13	5

Maximum spacing: diffuser 1.0, lens 0.9 x mounting height

Another significant advantage of the 2-lamp, 2-ft-wide luminaire is that it is the only unit having a brightness distribution within the scissors curve limits. These units, therefore, would be first choice in this group, although practical illumination levels are somewhat limited. A somewhat different form of equipment designed for surface mounting is the plastic wrap-around. Initially, such luminaires had a simple, diffusing closure or wrap. In more recent years, advancement in technology of plastics has made possible the accurate formation of re-



Fig. 4. Brightness comparison for white enameled troffer with 45-degree plastic louver and 430 ma lamps

Summary a	Summary of practical, maintained illumination ranges:						
LAMPING	BRIGHTNESS	ILLUMINATION RANGE, Fc*					
SIZE	RATING	SMALL ROOMS	MEDIUM ROOMS	LARGE ROOMS			
2 Lamp 1'x4'	Fair	40- 75	50-100	65-130			
2 Lamp 2'x4'	Excellent	45- 90	65-130	80-160			
4 Lamp 2'x4'	Fair	100-190	125-250	150-300			

*Assuming continuous rows spaced 4 ft to 8 ft on centers with luminaires at 10-ft mounting height



Fig. 5. Brightness comparison for aluminum troffer with 45- by 45-degree louver

Summary	of	practical,	maintained	illumination	ranges:	
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		10000	ILLUMINA	TION RANGE	E, Fc*
		BRIGHTNESS	SMALL	MEDIUM	LARGE
LAMPING	TROFFER	RATING	ROOM	ROOM	ROOM
430 ma	Single	Excellent	30- 50	30- 65	30- 80
	Twin	Excellent	40-100	50-130	60-160
800	Single	Excellent	30- 65	30- 85	35-100
800 ma	Twin	Excellent	50-130	60-170	70-200
1500	Single	Very Good	45-115	60-150	65-170
1500 ma	Twin	Very Good	90-130	120-300	130-340

*Assuming continuous rows spaced on 3- to 8-ft centers with luminaires at 10-ft mounting height fracting prisms in clear plastic extrusions with a much higher degree of light control, improved utilization, and lower brightness in the directglare zone. The improvement in utilization can be noted in Table 3 where it is apparent that 2-lamp units with a diffusing wrap are not practical for 100 fc installations but a well-designed prismatic closure does permit practical spacings for 100 fc. It can also be seen that even higher levels can be obtained practically with 3lamp or 4-lamp prismatic units.

The brightness control advantages of properly-designed refracting closures are shown in Fig. 3. It can be seen that the uncontrolled diffusing closure has the highest brightness of any of the 2-lamp units. The 2-lamp, high-efficiency, prismatic, wraparound unit has somewhat better brightness control despite its higher efficiency, because the light is directed down to the work plane and away from the direct-glare zone. Only the low-brightness prismatic unit, however, has a brightness distribution entirely below the scissors curve limiting line.

Recessed Troffers

Recessed lighting installations are becoming increasingly popular, and white-enameled troffers similar to the one illustrated in Fig. 4 are often used. The performance of such units is similar to that of the surface unit illustrated in Fig. 2 although there are small differences in the data as shown by Table 4 and Fig. 4. The installation shown in Fig. 6 is typical of results that can be obtained with this type of lighting.

The more highly loaded lamps have been applied thus far in this discussion only in the direct-indirect luminaires. The scissors curve brightness comparisons have also indicated that

TABLE 4.	WHITE	ENAMELE	D TROFF	ER WITH
PLASTIC	LOUVE	ER USING	430 ma	LAMPS
(Cont	inuous r	ow spacin	gs for 10	00 fc)

Room Ratio	2-lamp 1'x4'	2-lamp 2'x4'	4-lamp 2'x4'
	Space	e Between Rows	, ft.
0.8	3+	4—	7+
1.5	4+	5+	10
3.0	5+	6+	12

Maximum spacing: 0.8 x mounting height

even if it were possible to use 800 ma or 1500 ma lamps in the surface or recessed units discussed, they would not be at all satisfactory from the brightness standpoint. It is known, however, that considerably better brightness control is possible in troffers having properly-contoured aluminum reflectors for each individual lamp. Furthermore, the size of such units and the fact that they require only one lamp per foot of width results in a much cooler operation of the luminaire.

Continuous-row spacings of such a luminaire with 430 ma, 800 ma, and 1500 ma lamps are shown in Table 5. The high degree of brightness control afforded by such a unit is shown in Fig. 5, and it is evident that comfortable installations can be provided even with the 1500 ma lamp. In fact, it is only with the more highly loaded lamps that this unit is practical, since the row spacings with 430 ma lamps are absurdly

TABLE 5. SINGLE LAMP ALUMINUM TROFFER WITH 45-deg LOUVER

(Continuous row spacings for 100 fc)

Room	430 ma	800 ma	1500 ma
Ratio	Space	Between Rows	s, ft.
0.8	11/2	2	31/2
1.5	2	21/2	41/2
3.0	21/2	3	5

Maximum spacing: 0.8 x mounting height

Fig. 6. Office lighted with recessed, white enamel, 2- by 4-ft troffers using 430-ma lamps



close except at relatively low illumination levels. Since a wide range of illumination levels can be satisfactorily provided by the 800 ma and 1500 ma units and since adequate brightness control is provided with these lamps, there is no reason for using 430 ma lamps in this unit. Because the low brightness of this unit makes it tend to blend into the ceiling, it is believed that a somewhat closer row spacing of 3 ft between centers can be used, and this was used in developing the summary of results for Fig. 5. It should also be noted that either single or twin versions of this unit may be used, with the twin unit consisting of two of the 1-ft-wide reflectors banked together in a structural assembly.

Since the ballasts for the more highly loaded lamps are somewhat noisier, some concern has been expressed regarding the use of these ballasts in office applications. It should be recognized, however, that the overall noise level of a lighting installation is the cumulative effect from all of the ballasts in the area. It can be shown by sound-rating calculations that in offices with good acoustical ceilings the total noise level of an installation of 2-lamp ballasts for 8-ft 1500 ma lamps will be below the normal 40-45 db ambient noise level of an office. In fact, it can be shown that the ballast noise level for such an installation will be only slightly higher than that of an installation of 2-lamp 430-ma units because there would then be four times as many 430-ma ballasts.

Figure 7 shows a 125 fc installation of twin aluminum troffers with 8-ft, 1500 ma lamps which proved highly satisfactory.

The approach to selection described here can be applied to any other luminaires desired.

Fig. 7. Office lighted with twin aluminum troffers using 8-ft, 1500 ma lamps to provide 125 fc



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HOW TO PREVENT JOINT SEALANT FAILURES

by Julian R. Panek

This article is taken from a paper presented at the Building Research Institute 1962 Spring Conferences, April 24-25. It was part of a program on "New Joint Sealants: Criteria, Design and Materials"

Sealants are said to fail whenever they lose adhesion or split apart. Although the causes of failure are varied, experience has shown that it can be prevented, in nearly all cases, by reasonable attention to selection, specification and application. This review is offered in the hope that closer examination of the causes of sealant failure may help to reduce its occurrence. Let us first list the causes that we will consider specifically in this review:

- 1. Improper Choice of Sealants
- 2. Improper Sealant Formulation
- 3. Improper Sealant Dimensions
- 4. Excessive Joint Movement
- 5. Insufficient Experience with Uncommon Metallic Surfaces
- 6. Surface Contamination
- 7. Inconsistent Concrete and Masonry Surfaces
- 8. Improper Specification
- 9. Improper Substitution of Sealant

1. Improper Choice of Sealant

In selecting a sealant for moving joints, there is always some question as to whether a sealant should be permanently soft, like chewing gum -or should exhibit rubbery properties with recovery. The rapidity of joint movement determines the type of sealant to be used. This movement can be caused by solar heating, by vibration, or by wind buffeting. A soft, nonsetting and deformable sealant should only be used where there is no anticipated movement or where the sealant is completely confined and cannot flow. A rubbery sealant with recovery should be used whenever there is movement.

The need for recovery has been established from many studies in oscillating joint movement where the rubbery sealants outlasted the nonsetting sealants by an enormous margin. When slow or rapid movement occurred, nonsetting sealants soon flowed or split apart. On buildings, these nonsetting sealants have been observed to sag since they are also subject to thermoplastic flow.

The Canadian specification for elastomeric sealants includes a test that calls for 600,000 oscillations in a joint assembly to establish the recoverability of a sealant. Therefore it is quite apparent that serious consideration be given to the type of sealant to be used.

2. Improper Sealant Formulation

In its simplest form, a sealant is a system consisting of a binder with various fillers, plasticizers, and additives, which converts to a rubbery state either upon the addition of a curing catalyst or upon exposure to the air. In every case, there has to be a satisfactory relationship between the volume of binder to the complete sealant. It is quite apparent that the excessive use of fillers and of plasticizers will reduce the binder component and the system will have shortcomings.

On the other hand, the mere fact that many sealants have the same backbone binder does not imply that these sealants will perform equally well. There is a vast difference in the behavior and performance of such sealants. Because sealant formulations are usually closely guarded secrets, the specifier may feel that he is being hoodwinked when the suppliers will not tell their formulations, so that they may be included in the specification. This might be an easy matter, if the specifier were to assume all the responsibility for the performance of sealants. This is sheer folly-when we recognize that there are thousands of sealant formulations, with their many binder components and fillers, and a whole host of other problems relating to performance. It is obvious that the specifier cannot draw up a material specification all on his own.

The alternative is that the specifier demand performance and leave the formulating up to the processor. There are many devices that the specifier can use to get better sealant performance. He can measure quality by comparing prices and look with suspicion on very low cost sealants. He can demand proof of performance and look to past history of performance. He can work with reputable processors and applicators. He can require guarantees and he can use performance specifications in specifying his sealant. He might even supplement existing performance specifications to take care of unusual conditions on the building site.

3. Improper Sealant Dimensions

Even though sealants may be properly formulated, they may fail dismally if the sealant dimensions are not proper in the joint.

The subject breaks down in its simplest form to a relationship of joint width to sealant depth. The configuration giving the lowest internal strain is a ribbon. But, adhering a narrow ribbon to the edge of the joint is difficult. Moreover, the ribbon can carry no load. Thus, to improve adhesion and load-bearing characteristics, we must of necessity increase the sealant depth.

At the other extreme, maximum adhesion to the side of the joint would be obtained with an infinite depth which is also undesirable since the sealant could not flex with joint movements. Thus, there is no ideal configuration, since many of the requirements are conflicting.

General rules have been established for sealant dimensions in joints which if followed more often, would eliminate many failures. Three rules would cover most sealant dimensions:

a. No contacting surface shall be less than $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

b. The depth of the sealant and the width of the sealant shall be of equal dimension up to $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

c. At widths from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 in., the depth shall remain at $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

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4. Excessive Joint Movement

Many sealant failures occur because of excessive joint movement. We have seen 1/4-in. wide joints open up to 1 in. and completely close on the other extreme. Only a sealant that performed like an ideal gas could perform under these conditions, and there is no ideal gas! Most sealant manufacturers have stated that a sealant in a joint should be capable of being extended or compressed to a value of 50 per cent of its original dimension. To include a factor of safety these sealant manufacturers have worked together to develop a specification which calls for 100 per cent extensibility beyond the original dimension in many test assemblies. Because of physical limitations in space geometry of the sealant, values above 50 per cent are not realistic and for this reason architects should design joints around the practical limitations of sealants, rather than leave the joints to be sealed by an "infinitely extensible, compressible, and frictionless sealant."

In order to minimize internal strain within a sealant, the sealant should never adhere to the back of the joint. We have seen instances where a back-up plate was welded to one side of a joint assembly. When this joint opened up, it created an unusual strain on the sealant in the corner that was opened up. The sealant had to tear apart at this point of stress. Furthermore, if this joint will close beyond the original width of the sealant, then the back-up joint filler must be either air or a compressible material, such as a closed-cell butyl extrusion, a urethane foam, or a neoprene tube.

Some very sad experiences have been observed where sealants have been applied over a pourable grade of asphalt or asphalt-impregnated expansion strips used as a void filler. When these joints closed beyond the original dimensions of the sealant, the asphalt acted like a hydraulic pump and physically displaced the sealant. Various nebulous expressions were coined, such as "incompatibility," and "limited compatibility," to blame sealant failure in these situations. The actual cause of failure was the use of an incompressible joint filler in a narrowing joint. The use of a porous, compressible backup filler gives the sealant some breathing space when the joint closes beyond its original dimension. Also, the use of the filler provides a good way to control the depth of the sealant in the joint for optimum performance.

5. Insufficient Experience with Uncommon Metallic Surfaces

Studies of the more common building surfaces have shown that good sealant adhesion can be expected with various steels and stainless steels. glass, and the various alloys of aluminum. On the other hand, individual sealants may not have been tested against surfaces based on lead, zinc, copper and tin, and various alloys of these metals. There is no reason to assume that all metallic surfaces are identical when discussing sealant adhesion. We have seen too many cases where generalization has resulted in poor performance. Our recommendation is that all uncommon metallic surfaces should be given extra attention. There is no reason why the architect cannot demand performance against any specific surface. Many sealant manufacturers are willing to test their various sealants in new designs in order to prove feasibility. An uncommon metallic surface should offer no problem if performance against this surface is specified and laboratory testing shows the sealant will perform.

6. Surface Contamination

There is no sealant on the market today that will absorb all surface contamination, penetrate through oil films, paint films, dirt and dust in order to get at the virgin surface, and give 20 years of satisfactory adhesion and performance. Since the architect cannot supervise every inch of installation, he should require a guarantee on the part of the applicator. If he selects a reputable applicator, he can be reasonably certain that the sealant has been applied in a clean joint. The architect might anticipate surface contamination and require protection of surfaces by the use of masking tape. This protective tape would be removed just prior to the application of the sealant. It may be argued that this practice would increase cost, but this cost could be less than the cost of labor required to clean the joint prior to application of the sealant.

7. Inconsistent Concrete and Masonry Surfaces

Natural stone and concrete vary con-

siderably in hardness and texture and the surfaces of these materials are very often soft and friable. Too often, we have observed sealant failure where the sealant surface was completely covered with delaminated stone and concrete particles. This is actually a proof not of sealant failure, but of surface disintegration of the stone or concrete. There are two ways to prevent this condition. One is by using a penetrating primer to reinforce the surface. The second is to use a lower modulus sealant. Primers are used extensively at the present time on all stone and concrete surfaces. These primers, in addition to reinforcing the surface, keep water away from the interface, and cause better and more lasting adhesion. I mentioned that lowering the modulus of the sealant would be desirable in preventing delamination of stone or concrete. We know that the tensile strength of concrete is approximately 400 psi. We also know that some sealants have ultimate tensile strengths of 600 psi, if they contain excess filler, and cure to a tough rubber. Such a combinationin addition to excessive joint movements-will always lead to a failure whether in adhesion or surface delamination. It would be desirable if a list of tensile values for the various natural stones and concrete could be made available so that these values could be used to establish some maximum modulus values for sealants. This is fertile ground for future specification writers.

In addition to the variable composition and strength of concrete affecting adhesion, the problem has been further aggravated by the use of form oils, anti-freeze additives, fast setting additives, surface coatings to prevent evaporation, and surface coatings for water-proofing and decoration. In addition to these variables, the dimensions of expansion joints in concrete are not consistent with the recommendations for joint and sealant dimensions noted in Part 4 on Excessive Joint Movement. For these reasons, many sealant manufacturers today do not attempt to sell materials for this type of application; others make a critical study of all conditions before selling sealants.

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Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation

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Architect—Joseph Foutz Structural Engineer—Edward S. Klausner Associate Engineer—Wallace & Gutberlet

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Stainless Steel Design and Data



(A.I.A. 15-H-1) "Architectural Quarterly" has eight pages showing use of stainless steel in several recent buildings. Two four-page folders are the first in a series of data sheets.

No. 1 treats maintenance economy and No. 2, column covers. Committee of Stainless Steel Producers, 633 Third Ave., New York 17, N.Y.

Display Lighting

(A.I.A. 31-F-23) An eight-page catalog illustrates the Magnabeam line of interior display lights. Heat resistant color filters are available. Esco Lighting Co., Inc., 28 Railroad Ave., Pearl River, N.Y.





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School Science Facilities

"A Guide for Evaluating Your Science Facilities" is a 16-page brochure published in cooperation with the School Facilities Council, containing mechanical and statistical data pertaining to the planning and construction of science classrooms and laboratory facilities. Science Guide, Scientific Apparatus Makers Assoc., 20 N. Wacker Drive, Chicago 6, Ill.

Flush Wood Doors

Flush wood doors, both solid and hollow core, are illustrated in a 14page booklet. Sizes, weights, and grades for exterior and interior doors are included. Mohawk Flush Doors. Inc., 212 W. Ewing Ave., South Bend 23, Ind.

Automatic Control Systems

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5-7 Annual convention, Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture—Sheraton-Dallas Hotel, Dallas 7-11 National convention of the American Institute of Architects— Dallas

8-10 Fourth Church Design and Building Conference; featuring a "Hall of Church Designs"—Morrison Hotel, Chicago

10-12 Annual meeting, Consulting Engineers Council—Royal Orleans Hotel, New Orleans

11-22 Sixth Annual United States World Trade Fair—New York Coliseum, New York City

19-25 Annual convention, Royal Australian Institute of Architects— Sydney

20-24 55th annual meeting, Air Pollution Control Association—Sheraton-Chicago Hotel, Chicago

21-25 National Fire Protection Association 66th Annual Meeting— Sheraton Hotel, Philadelphia

22-24 13th annual convention, Wisconsin Chapter, American Institute of Architects; theme: "Architects in Action"—Lake LawnLodge, Delavan, Wis.

24-26 Annual convention, Indiana Society of Architects—Indianapolis
27-30 Annual meeting, Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute
The Homestead, Hot Springs, Va.
30ff 55th annual convention, Royal Architectural Institute of Canada;
theme: "Architectural Education";
through June 2—Vancouver

June -

4-7 National Nuclear Congress, sponsored by the Engineers Joint Council—Statler-Hilton Hotel, New York City

10-15 American Society of Mechanical Engineers summer annual meeting—Hotel Frontenac, Quebec

11-21 "Urban and Environmental Design": R-17 Seminar for Teachers of Architecture, jointly sponsored by the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture and the American Institute of Architects—Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

13-16 Annual meeting, National Society of Professional Engineers-French Lick-Sheraton Hotel, French Lick, Ind.

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Robert T. Dutter has been appointed an associate with the firm Milton Klein, A.I.A., Union, N. J.

Paul Bosholm, formerly associated with the architectural staff of the University of California, has become project architect with Wilsey, Ham & Blair, engineering and planning firm, Millbrae, Calif.

Philip Wesler, P.E., has become an associate of the firm of Fraioli-Blum-Yesselman, Consulting Engineers, New York and Norfolk, Va.

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