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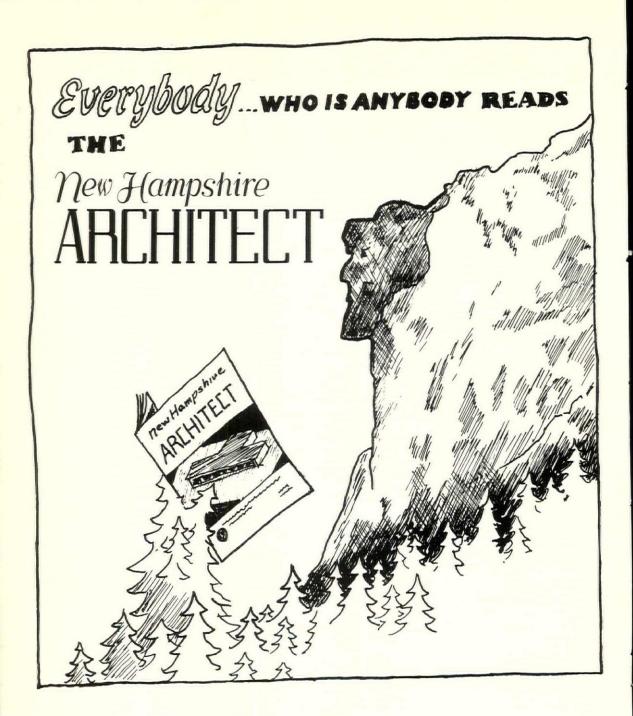
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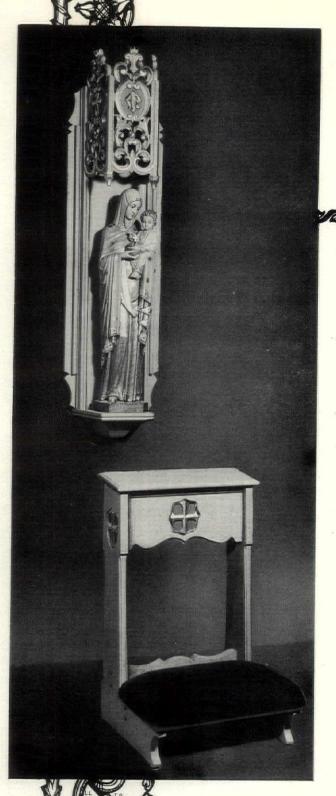


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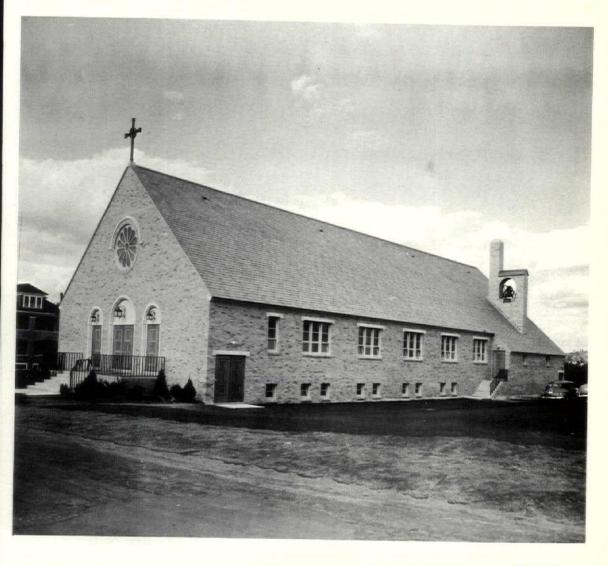


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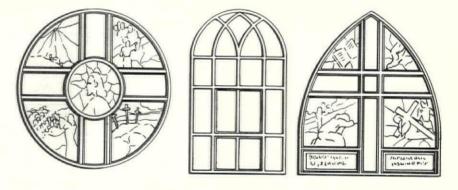


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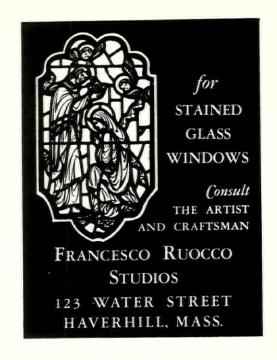
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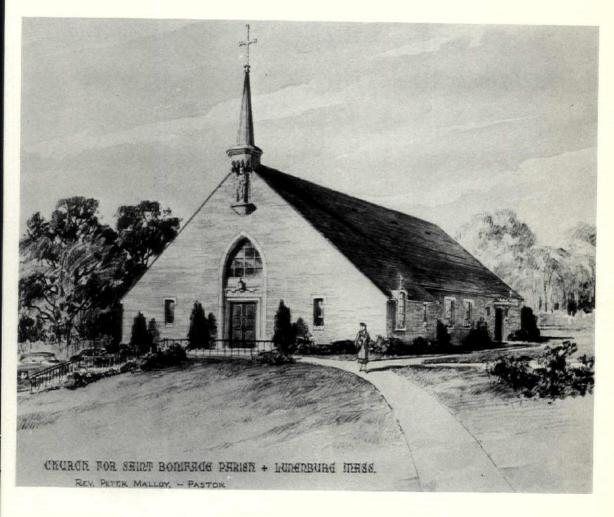


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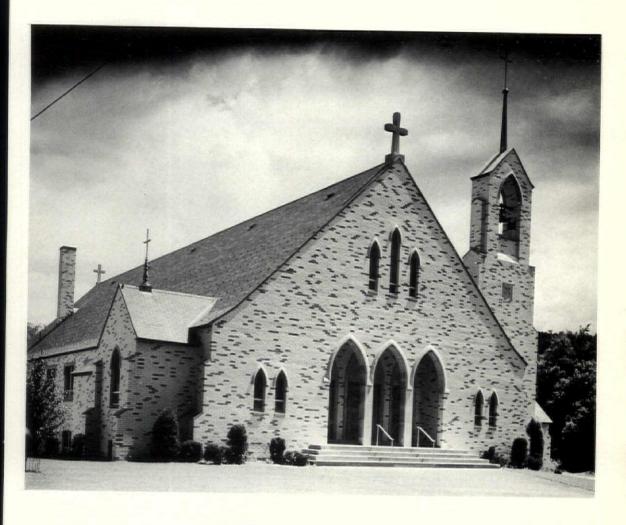


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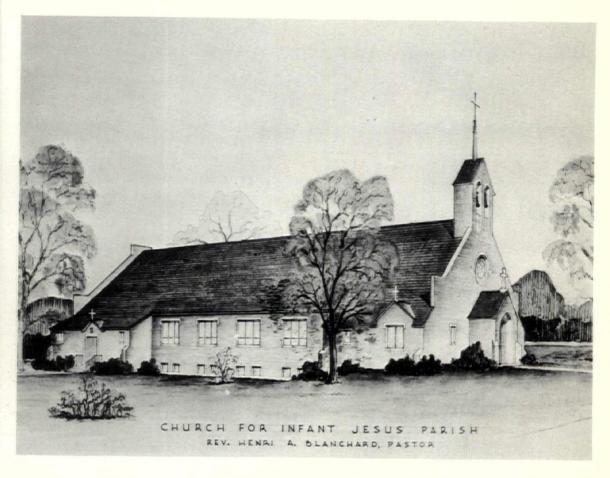


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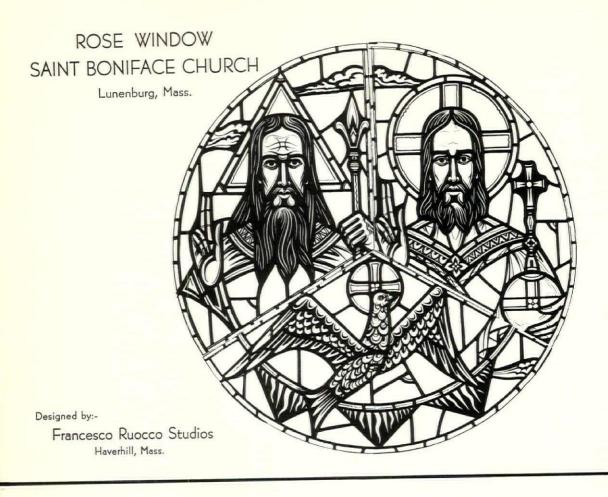
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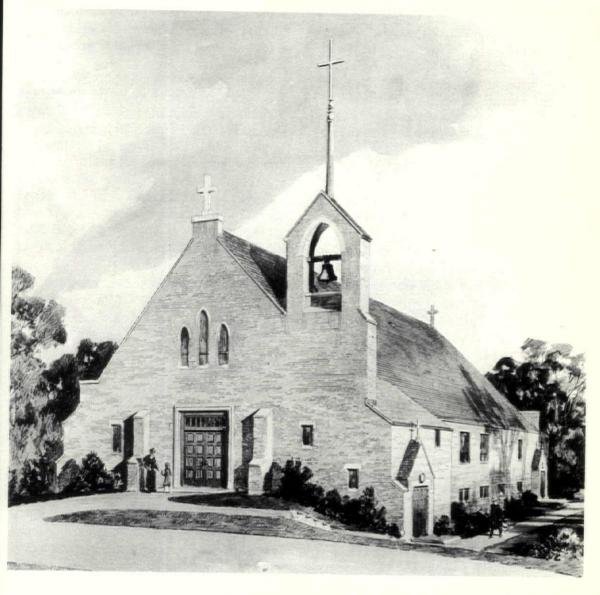


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# PAUL HARVEY ALERTS CONTRACTORS TO IMPACT OF NEW HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

The awards were made at the monthly meeting of the association at the Manchester Country club. Vice-President Paul Harvey of Manchester, presided at the business meeting during which the awards were made.

Mr. Harvey alerted the contractors to the impact of the new highway construction program. He urged them to prepare now to expand their organizations to handle the substantial increased volume of construction which would follow an expanded highway program.

Mr. Harvey pointed out that in Massachusetts about \$100 million worth of new industrial construction followed shortly after the construction of Route 128 in that state.

"A similar expansion has been noted in the area of the New York Thruway," according to Vice President Harvey. "This highway program not only means an increase in highway construction volume, but will bring substantial economic benefits to the overall economy of New Hampshire and Vermont."

Eleven general contractors in New Hampshire and Vermont were recently cited for exceptional records in accident prevention in 1955. According to E. David Swett, accident prevention chairman of the New England Regional Accident Prevention committee of the Associated General Contractors of America, "the New Hampshire-Vermont chapter of the Associated General Contractors placed third in a national competition during 1955.

Special awards were given to Frank W. Whitcomb of the Frank W. Whitcomb Construction company of North Walpole, and Parker H. Rice of Manchester Sand, Gravel and Cement company of Manchester, for low accident frequency in comparison with the high man-hours of exposure. Mr. Whitcomb's firm had a combined rate which was about one per cent of the national average, and Manchester Sand and Gravel had a rate equal to about two per cent.

Other general contractors awarded certificates for no lost time accidents in 1955 were W. M. Bisson & Son, Laconia; Daniels Construction Co., West Lebanon; Earle & Merry, Inc., Rutland, Vt.; Foster Builders, Concord; Landers & Griffin Co., Portsmouth; Robie Construction Co., Manchester; James Ross Associates, Concord and Weaver Brothers Construction Co., Concord.

#### ADDITIONS TO AIA STAFF

Three new appointments have been made to the headquarters staff. Joseph Watterson, a former president of the Long Island Society Chapter, has become Director of Publications. Theodore W. Dominick, a past president of The Washington Metropolitan Chapter has joined the Department of Education, Research and Professional Development. Betty Farwell is filling the new position of Slide Librarian in the AIA Library.

To relieve the overcrowding at headquarters, additional office space has been leased in nearby buildings. The treasurer's office and the convention staff will occupy this outside space until the recently authorized addition to the Administration Building is ready.

### Producers Council Meeting

Producers' Council, Inc., 35th Annual Fall Meeting and Chapter Presidents' Conference, Wade Park Manor Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, September 25 and 26, 1956.

# EAST FRONT OF CAPITOL TO BE EXTENDED

Despite the tremendous hue and cry that included strong editorial protests in Life Magazine, the New York Herald-Tribune and many other publications, it appears that the proposal to extend the east front of the Capitol will go forward. AIA Executive Director Edmund R. Purves appeared last week at an executive session of the Senate Subcommittee on Appropriations and presented the Institute's position taken at the 1955 Convention opposing extension. This was the final opportunity to register a protest before a committee as the Congress already had authorized the project and the House of Representatives had appropriated funds.

As expected, the Senate Appropriations Committee gave a favorable report and the Senate approved the expenditure by a voice vote. The amount was included in the overall fiscal 1957 legislative appropriation.

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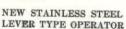
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# State Architects Guests of N.E.C.M.M.A.

Arnold Perreton, Concord, and Alex Majeski, Bedford, were guests of the N.E.C.M.M.A. at their annual New Hampshire meeting, July 17 at the Manchester Country Club.

Guest speaker was Sig Westby, Manager of the Housing, Farm and Products Bureau of the Portland Cement Association, Chicago, Ill. Assisted by Frank Smith of the Boston office of Portland Cement Association, he discussed the research and literature program of the association in so far as they related to the National Concrete Masonry Association and the Concrete Masonry Industry.

Arnold Perreton also presented data on Formbloc.

Some twenty-five members and guests representing thirteen producers in the six New England States attended the all day meeting.

The following companies were represented: Duracrete Block Co. Inc., Manchester; Massachusetts Cement Block Co., Medford, Mass.; Rappoli Block Co., Medford, Mass.; Camossee Block Co., Worcester, Mass.; Plasticrete Corp., Hampden, Conn.; Stiles Brick, North Haven, Conn.; Connecticut-Valley Block Co., Springfield, Mass.; Park Avenue Cement Block Company, Rhode Island and Ducharme Block Company, Chicopee Falls, Mass.

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BOSTON—New England recorded contract awards for future construction during the first half of 1956 that reached an all-time high dollar volume for such a period, James H. Harding, district manager of F. W. Dodge Corporation, reports. The awards of \$967,329,000 were 18 percent above the comparable 1955 period, according to Dodge Reports totals.

The June 1956 contract awards amounted to \$187,529,000 to establish another record; the awards were 41 percent above June 1955.

Cumulative totals for the first six months for the individual categories compared with the like 1955 period show: total building at \$661,536,000, up 19 percent and heavy engineering at \$305,793,000, up 17 percent.

Individual June awards compared with June 1955 show: total building at \$112,777,000, up 12 percent; heavy engineering at \$74,752,000, up substantially.

### Contract Awards for Future Construction in New Hampshire

BOSTON—Contract awards for future construction in New Hampshire during the first six months of 1956 reached \$44,070,000, James A. Harding, district manager of F. W. Dodge Corporation, construction news and marketing specialists, has announced. The total was four percent higher than the 1955 total, according to Dodge Reports.

June awards of \$8,715,000 were 10 percent above June 1955.

Individual categories for the first six months, compared with the like 1955 period show: total building at \$32,306,000, up three percent; heavy engineering at \$11,764,000, up six percent.

Individual June awards, compared with June 1955 show: total building at \$5,723,000, up 31 percent; heavy engineering at \$2,992,000, down 16 percent.

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The Building Research Institute, a unit of the National Academy of Sciences, is conducting the conference under the sponsorship of the Allied Masonry Council. The 1½-day meeting will be held in the Hall of Flags, U. S. Chamber of Commerce Building, 1615 H Street, N. W.

The conference represents the first industry-wide discussion of masonry's place in contemporary architecture and the promise it holds for building of the future. Subjects slated for discussion in five major sessions embrace esthetics, technology, research and new product development, building cost and maintenance and an analysis of building types.

Building types to be discussed in detail include houses, multi-story buildings, hospitals, and schools. The session on research and new product development will mark the first disclosure by participating industry groups of new products and advances in brick and tile, natural stone, and marble.

The Allied Masonry Council is an alliance of the major producers, contractors, and labor forces of the building industry. Industry groups contributing to the conference include the Structural Clay Products Institute, Indiana Limestone Institute, Marble Institute of America, Building Stone Institute, Mason Contractors Association of America, and the Bricklayers, Masons & Plasters International Union of America.

The conference is open to all interested persons. Registration fee is \$15. The list of speakers and subjects is as follows:

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9:45 a. m. Welcoming remarks,Conference Chairman C. E. Silling,C. E. Silling & Associates, Architects,Charlestown, West Virginia.

10:00 a. m. SESSION 1.0

#### ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

Session Chairman—John Knox Shear, Editor-in-Chief, The Architectural Record.

1.1 Esthetic Demands of Contemporary Architecture upon Masonry

Richard M. Bennett, Loebl, Schlossman & Bennett, Architects, Chicago, Illinois.

- 1.2 Colors and Textures in Masonry Joseph P. Moore, Moore & Company, Stamford, Connecticut.
- 1.3 Modular Design with Masonry
  Ralph Walker, Voorhees, Walker,
  Smith & Smith, Architects, New York,
  New York.
- 11:25 a. m. SESSION 2.0

#### TECHNOLOGY OF BUILDING WITH MASONRY

Session Chairman-John Knox Shear.

- 2.1 Reinforced Masonry Walls Walter L. Dickey, The Bechtel Corporation, San Francisco, California.
- 2.2 Cavity, Veneer, and Face-Bonded Walls

Walker O. Cain, McKim, Mead & White, Architects, New York, New York.

2:00 p. m. SESSION 3.0

# RESEARCH AND NEW TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENTS

Session Chairman—Howard T. Fisher, Howard T. Fisher & Associates, Architects and Engineers, Chicago, Illinois

3.1 Thermal Performance of Masonry Walls

Clair B. Monk, Structural Clay Prod-

ucts Research Foundation, Geneva, Illinois.

#### 3.2 Ceramic Veneer Panelizing

A. E. Barnes, Manager, Arch. Products Promotion, Gladding, McBean & Company, San Francisco, California.

#### 3.3 Advances in Natural Stone

J. T. McKnight, Executive Vice President, The Indiana Limestone Institute, Bedford, Indiana.

#### 3.4 Marble and Granite Research

A. T. Howe, Vice President, Vermont Marble Company, Proctor, Vermont.

#### 3.5 Brick and Tile Research

Robert B. Taylor, Director, Structural Clay Products Research Foundation, Geneva, Illinois.

4:30 p. m. Adjournment.

September 20, 1956

9:00 a.m. SESSION 4.0

#### COSTS AND MAINTENANCE

Session Chairman-W. E. Reynolds Consulting Engineer, Washington, D. C.

#### 4.1 In-The-Wall Costs

M. J. Roach, Chief Engineer, Turner Construction Company, New York, New York.

#### 4.2 Maintenance of Industrial Buildings

Alf M. Myhre, Specifications Engineer, E. I. duPont deNemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington, Delaware.

#### 4.3 Maintenance of Public Buildings

Charles A. Peters Director, Building Management, Public Buildings Service. General Services Administration.

10:15 a. m. SESSION 5.0

#### BUILDING TYPE ANALYSES

Session Chairman-Walter A. Taylor, Director, Education and Research, American Institute of Architects, Washington, D. C.

#### 5.1 Residential Design

S. Robert Anshen, Anshen & Allen, Architects, San Francisco, California.

#### 5.2 Multi-Story Buildings

Robert Hastings, Smith, Hinchman, Grylls, Architects, Detroit, Michigan.

#### 5.3 Hospitals

Vincent G. Kling, Architect, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

#### 5.4 Schools

Lawrence B. Perkins, Perkins & Will, Architects, Chicago, Illinois.

Closing Remarks by Mr. 12:30 p. m. Silling and Adjournment.



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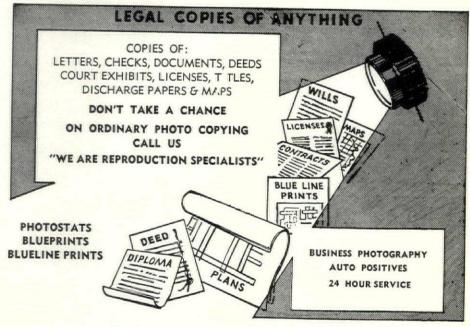
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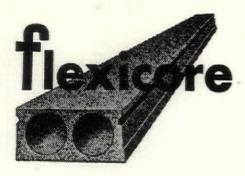
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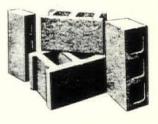
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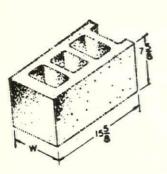
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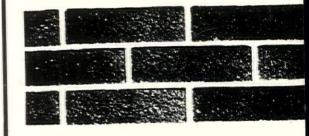


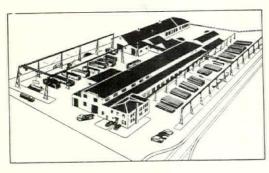
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