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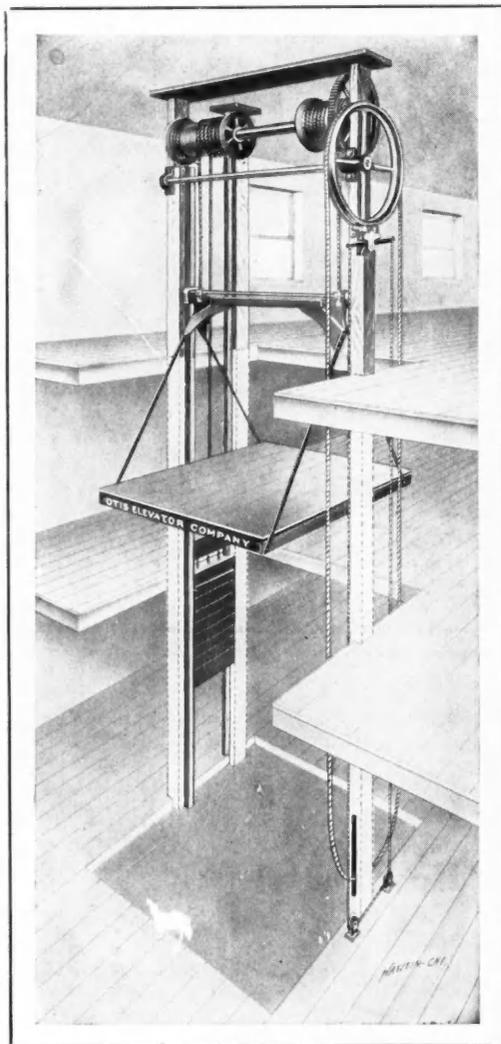
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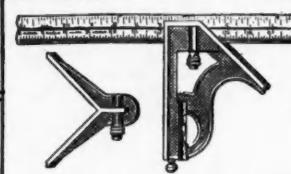
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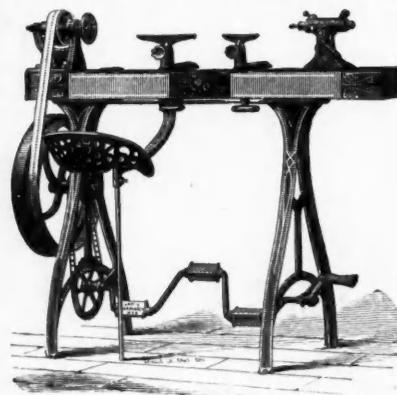
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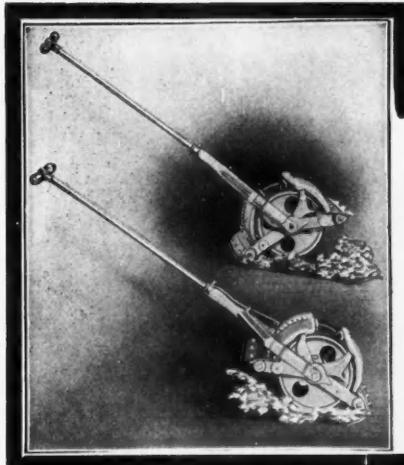
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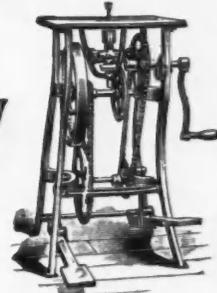
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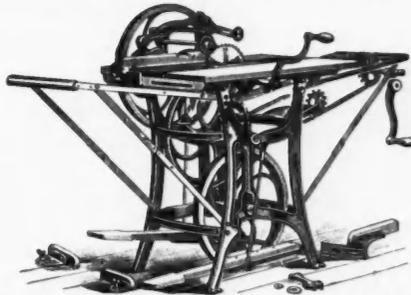


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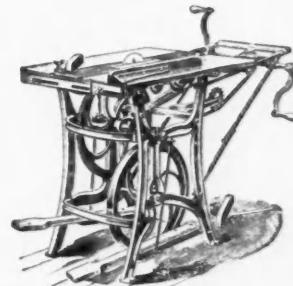
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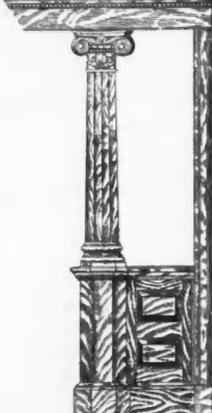
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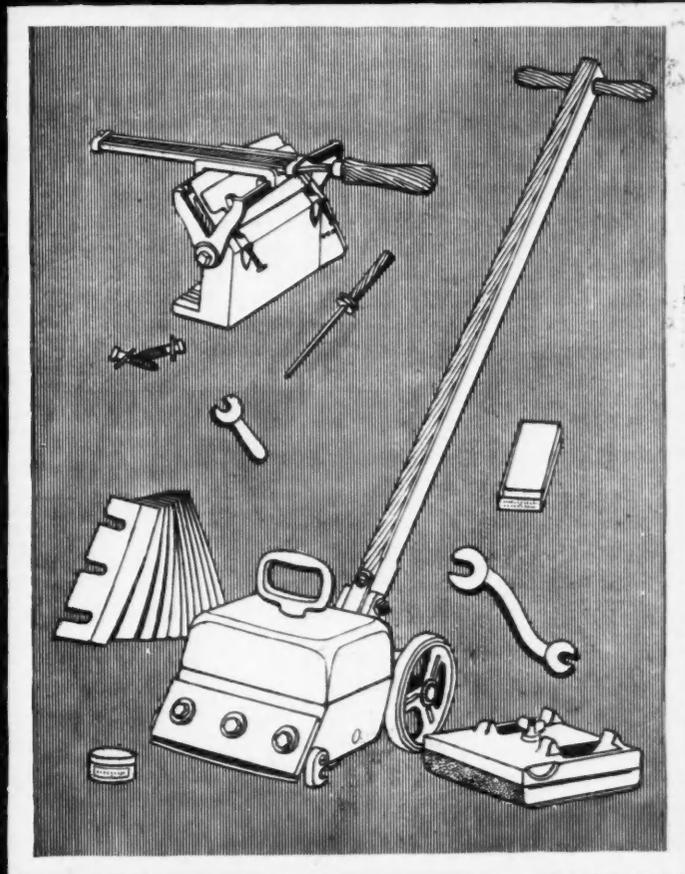
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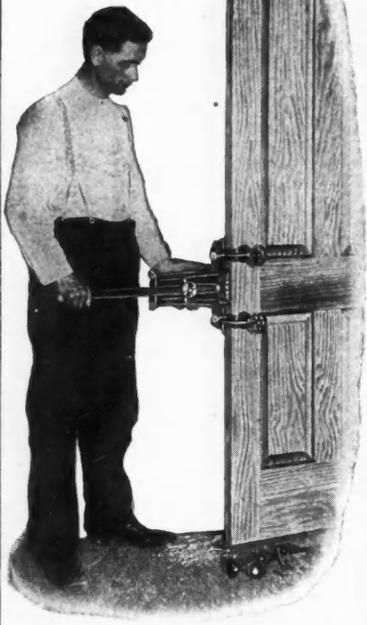


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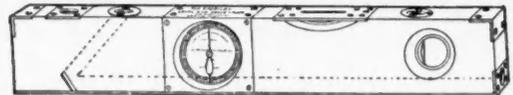
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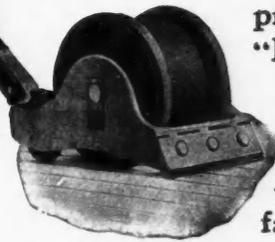
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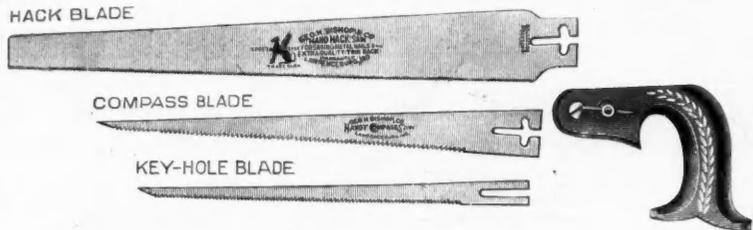
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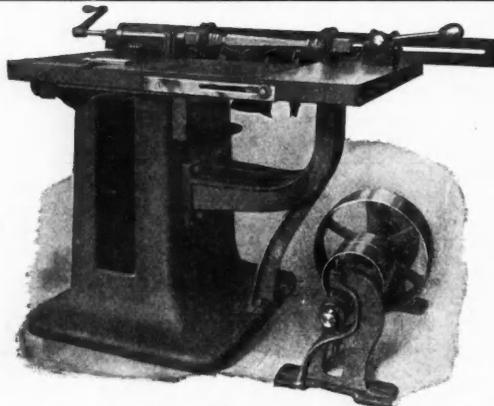
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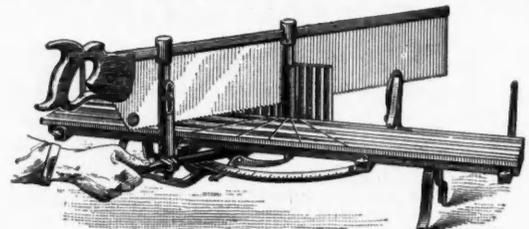


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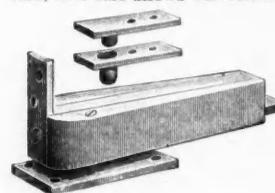
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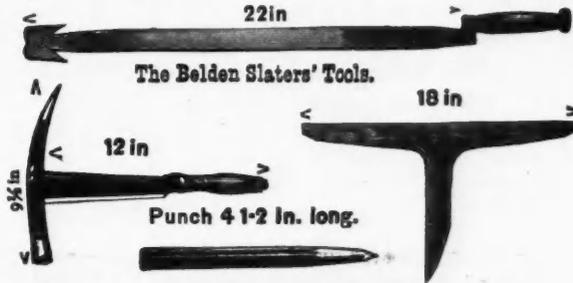
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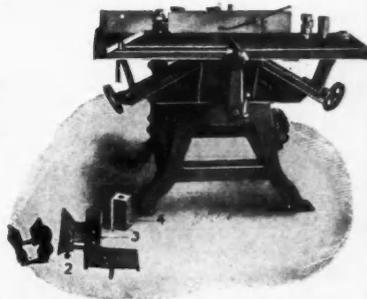
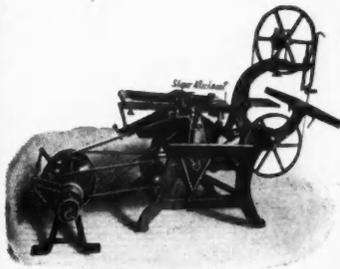
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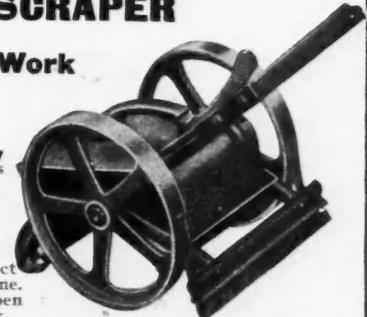
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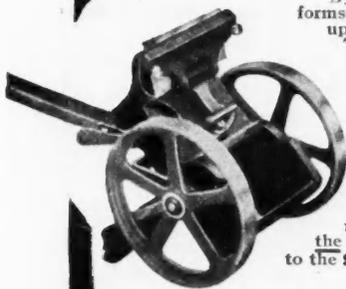
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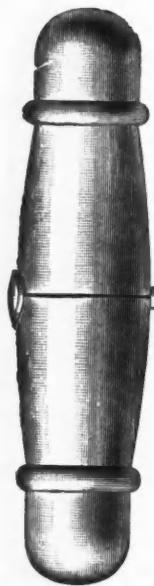
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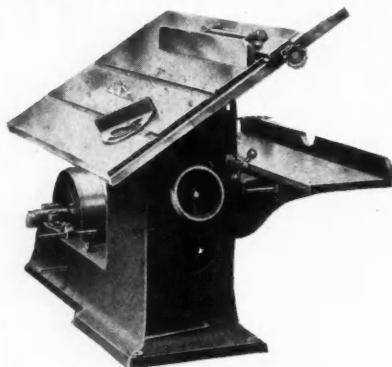
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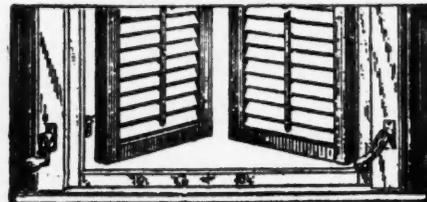


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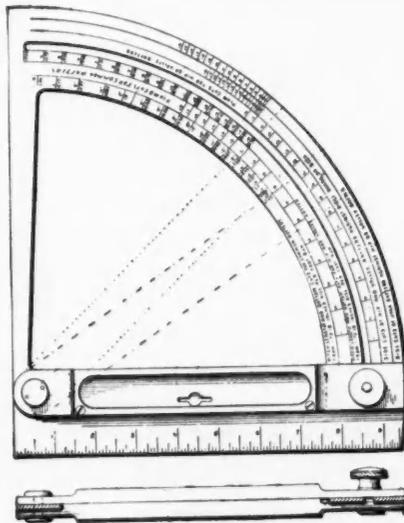
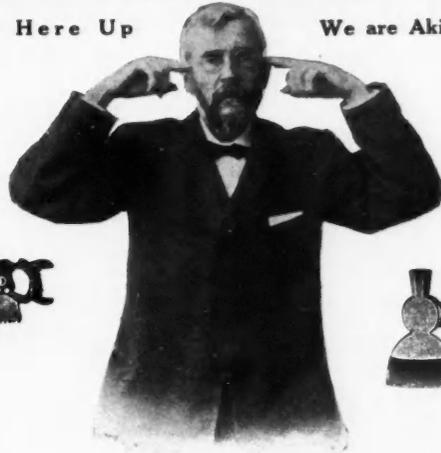
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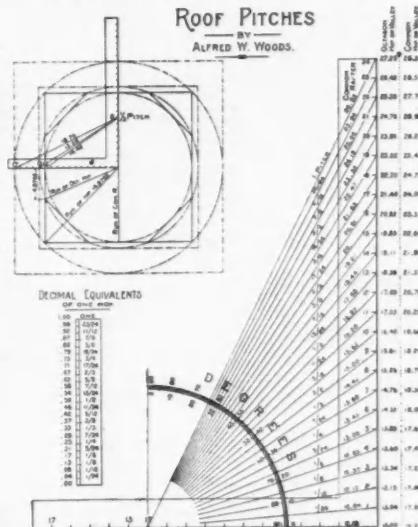
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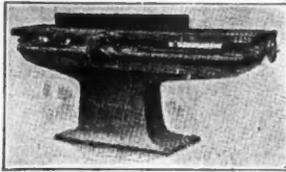
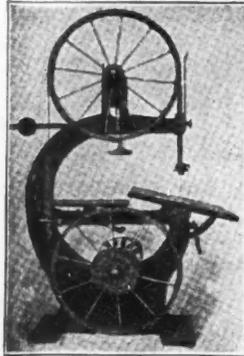
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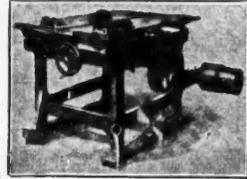
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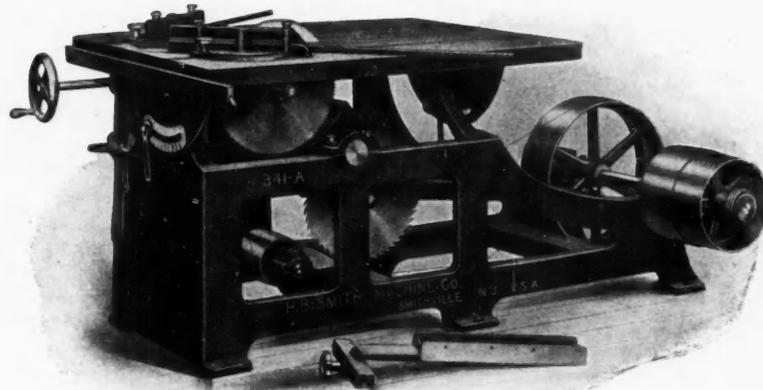
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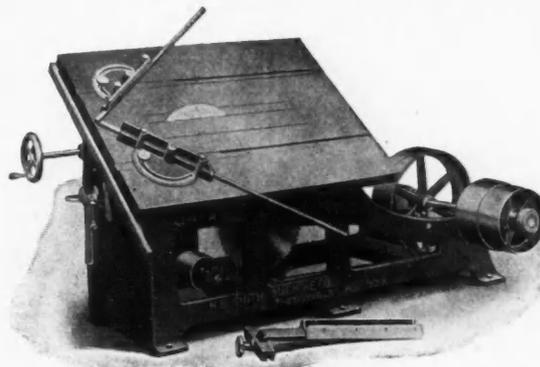
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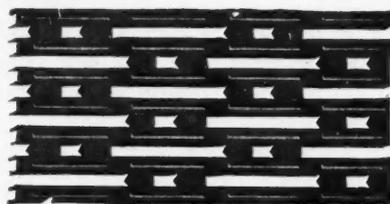
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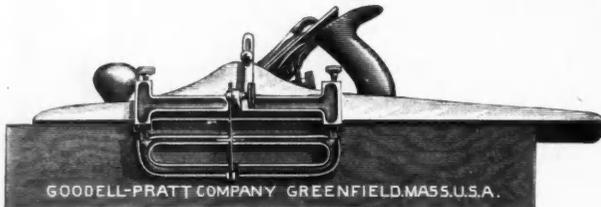
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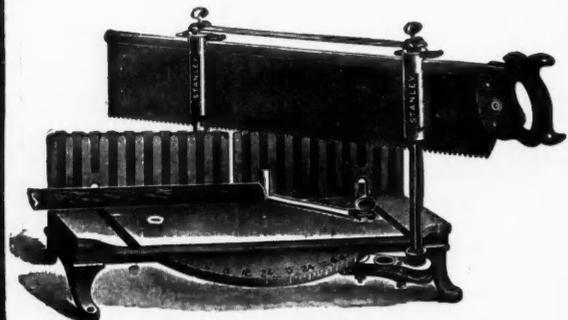
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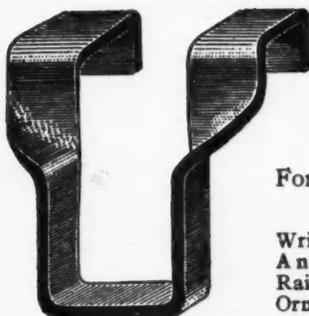


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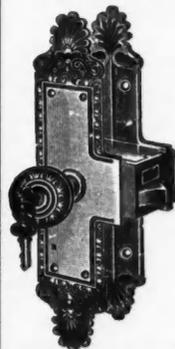
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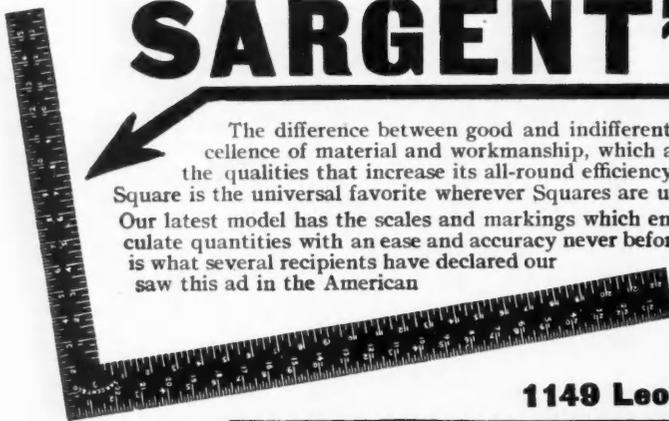
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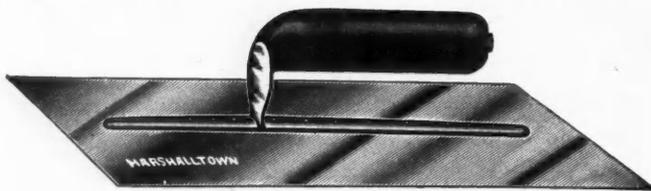


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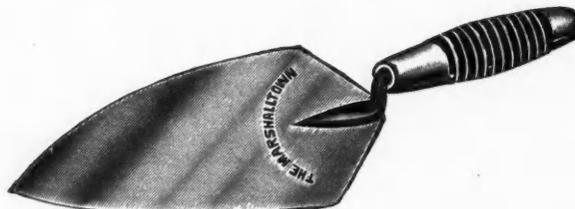


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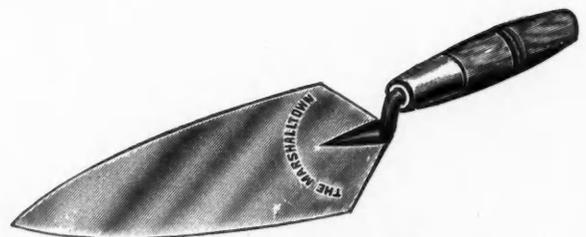


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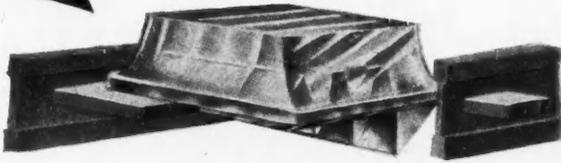
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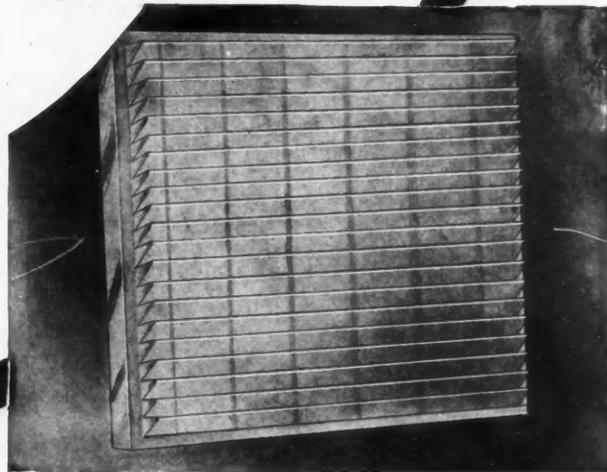
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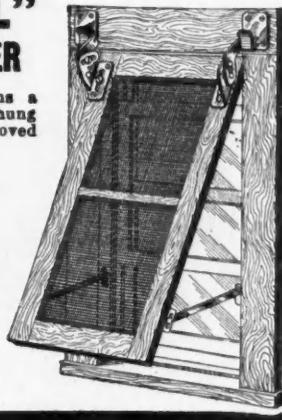
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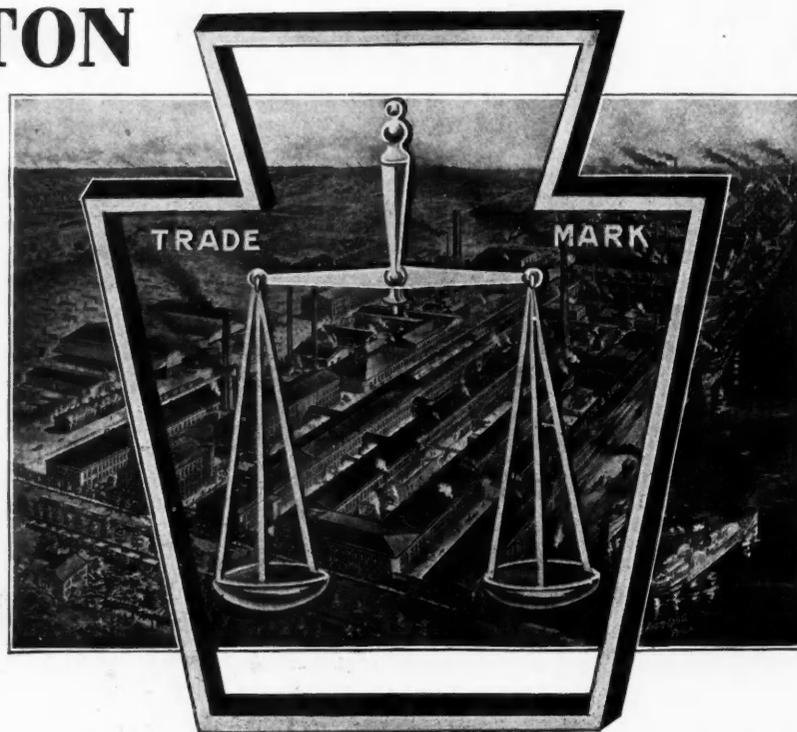
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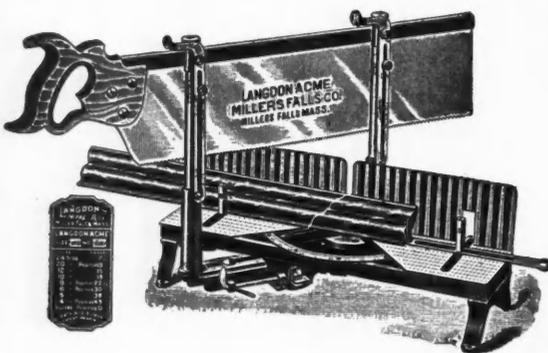
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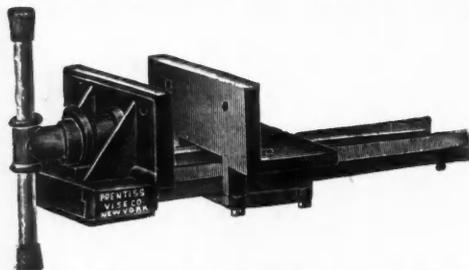
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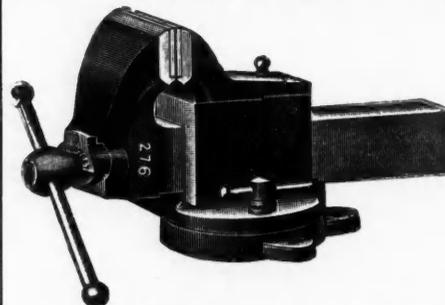
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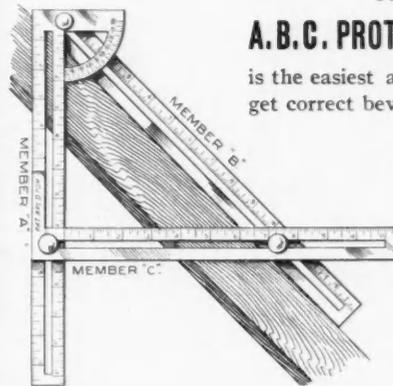
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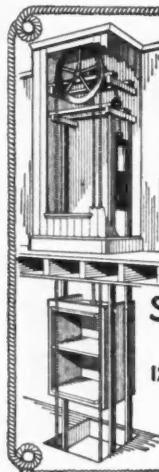
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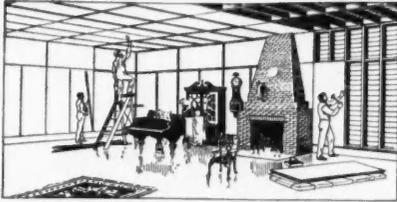
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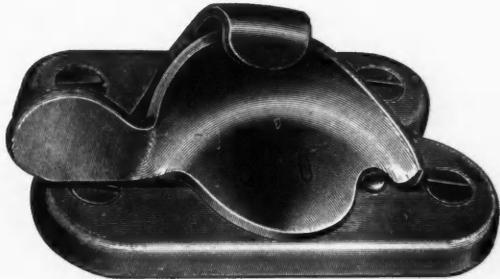
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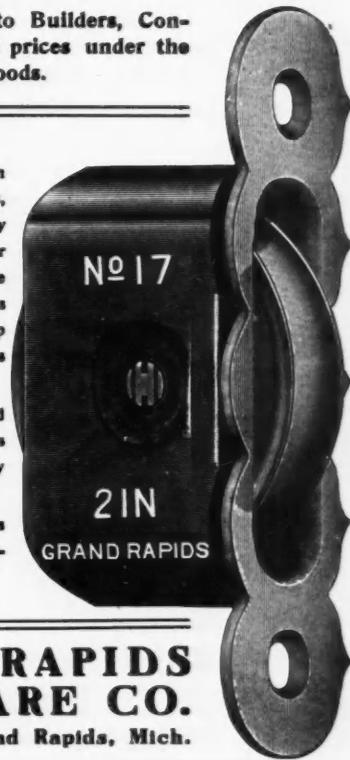
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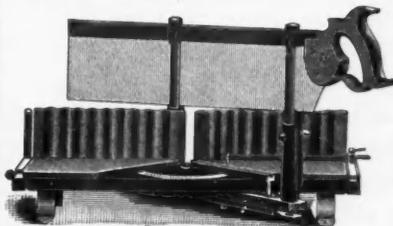


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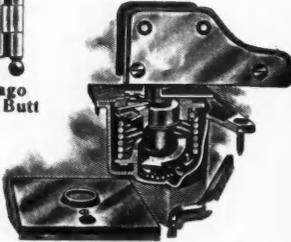
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**B**E CAREFUL about cultivating the habit of saying "That's good enough;" it too often leads to carelessness and slovenly work.

**M**UCH trouble is caused in this world by throwing mud at the hornet's nest. Some people don't seem to be happy unless they are trying to get stung!

**F**OLLOWING the ideas of others may help you some, but it is only when you begin to generate ideas of your own and follow them that you are in line to amount to something.

**"D**E MAN dat succeeds," said Old Unkle Eben, "is de one dat has de grit to get up every mornin' an' put ditto marks under his New Year resolutions."

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**Public Education in Architecture**  
**A** POPULAR chord with the architectural profession was struck recently by George Oakley Totten, of Washington, D. C. in an address in which he took the position that the public should receive a certain amount of education in architecture.

"Everybody should be able," he said, "to criticize, with accuracy and intelligence, the public and private buildings which are rising rapidly on every hand. This knowledge would be of great advantage to the individual, but of vastly more advantage to the public. As T. G. Jackson of the Royal Academy said at the recent international congress of architects in London, architecture is a necessary art; in fact, the only neces-

sary art. It cannot be evaded like the others. It is important that the public should be qualified to know good from bad architecture, since they are the employers with whom it rests to choose the designs of modern buildings.



### Destroying Insanitary Buildings

THE City of Washington is setting an example to other large cities in the country, destroying buildings which the health authorities believe to be insanitary. Thirty-two such buildings were razed during the month of March and about the same number were destroyed during each of the months of January and February. In less than two years about 1,000 buildings have been either destroyed or have been brought up to the sanitary standard required by the District ordinances. These numbers would indicate that it was high time that some such action was taken; and in fact many sections of Washington and even parts of its prominent thoroughfares were quite recently disfigured by shacks that would discredit a country town; but the greatest evil lay in the insanitary conditions existing in many buildings, aside from their appearance. At the present rate the Insanitary Buildings Board will, in a short time, have redeemed Washington's reputation and made it, as it should be, a model for the cities of the country.



### Be an Optimistic Thinker

DID anyone ever get any good from talking about hard times, or fault-finding, or allowing himself to think that the lack of a college education handicaps him, or that he does not have the chances others have, or that there is no use for him to try to do anything above the ordinary, and so on? Can you recall any man having been made better, or attracting to himself more friends or pleasanter surroundings, by such thinking? If not, then you can make up your mind that such thoughts are a waste of energy. Though he may think he has good ground for anger, hate, envy, fear, worry and the like, did such feelings ever get anything worth having?

On the other hand, haven't you noticed that the man who doesn't complain about his trade, or his circumstances, or his lack of early advantages, or people or things, but keeps right on plugging away, thinking and doing things that are worth while—haven't you noticed that such a man forges steadily ahead?



### Cement Show Feb. 18-24

THE executive committee of the Cement Products Exposition Company, Messrs. B. F. Affleck, Wm. Dickinson and J. U. C. McDaniels, has closed negotiations with the Coliseum Company, of Chicago, for the Second Annual Cement Show, which will open in the Coliseum Feb. 18, at noon, closing Wednesday night, February 24.

The committee will proceed at once to make plans for the show, and all the arrangements will be announced as they are decided upon. With the annual meeting of the Cement Users' Association earlier in the month at Louisville this will be a red letter month for cement men everywhere, for many of the exhibits can be shown at both shows.

The date chosen affords ample time, not only for the preparation of fine exhibits by firms and companies in every branch of the cement industry, but the exhibition company will have more opportunity to prepare for the show than it had last winter.

One Sunday will intervene during the progress of the show, and the management announces that the purpose of running over Sunday is to allow the exhibitors to have a day's intermission, which it is thought will be very satisfactory to them as a time for rest.



IT HAS been called to our attention that Mr. Meal is running for mayor of a Pennsylvania town; we hasten to declare ourselves lined up on the side of the meal ticket.

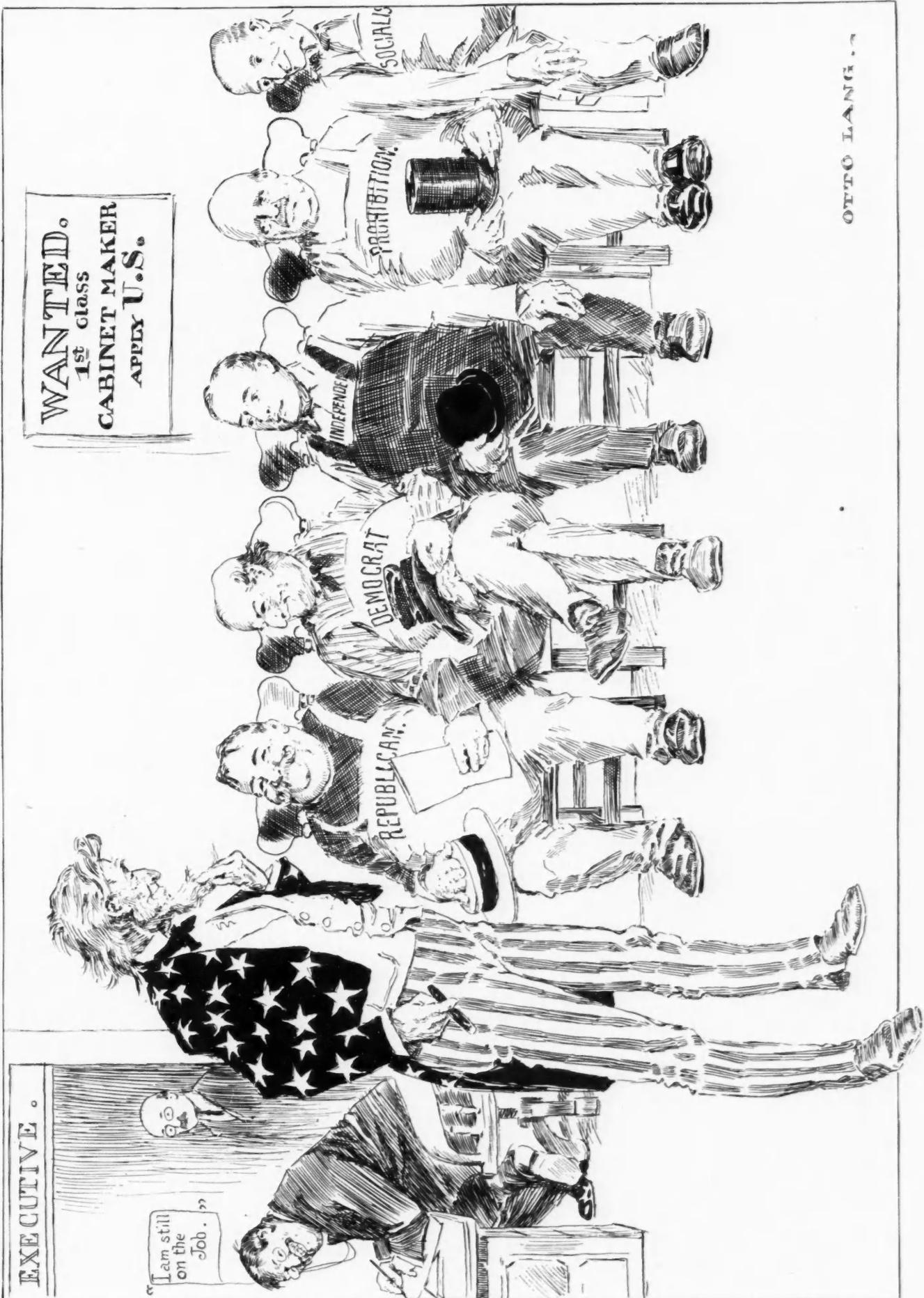


### Kitchen Architecture

IT MAY seem strange to some to speak of kitchen architecture, when possibly less thought is expended there than on any other part of the house. But that is exactly the reason why the subject is being put forth now. The kitchen needs more architectural attention.

Sometimes a kitchen is simply a lean-to; sometimes it is a cubby hole; sometimes, where old-fashioned ideas prevail, it is large and roomy. But it is seldom that proper thought is used in its designing. What is wanted is not merely a kitchen that is inviting of itself, but one so constructed that the odors of cooking will not permeate all the corners of the house. To this end it would seem that special attention should be given to ventilation in connection with a kitchen. A kitchen might be isolated from the balance of the house, but that would put it out of touch with the dining room and cause many inconveniences, especially in the modest homes where the housework is done by the family instead of by servants.

So it is really the kitchen problem in the modest home that needs attention and needs solving. We might well use now some of that thought and energy that has been expended on sanitary plumbing, and on front effects, in designing kitchens that will be odor proof, that will not distribute the odor of the cooking all through the house. If the enterprising writers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER have hobbies or ideas that they think are worth while on this subject, we will be glad to hear about them; there is need for more attention to the kitchen end of the house, that its numerous problems may be solved.



# The Classic Theatre in America

By J. R. White



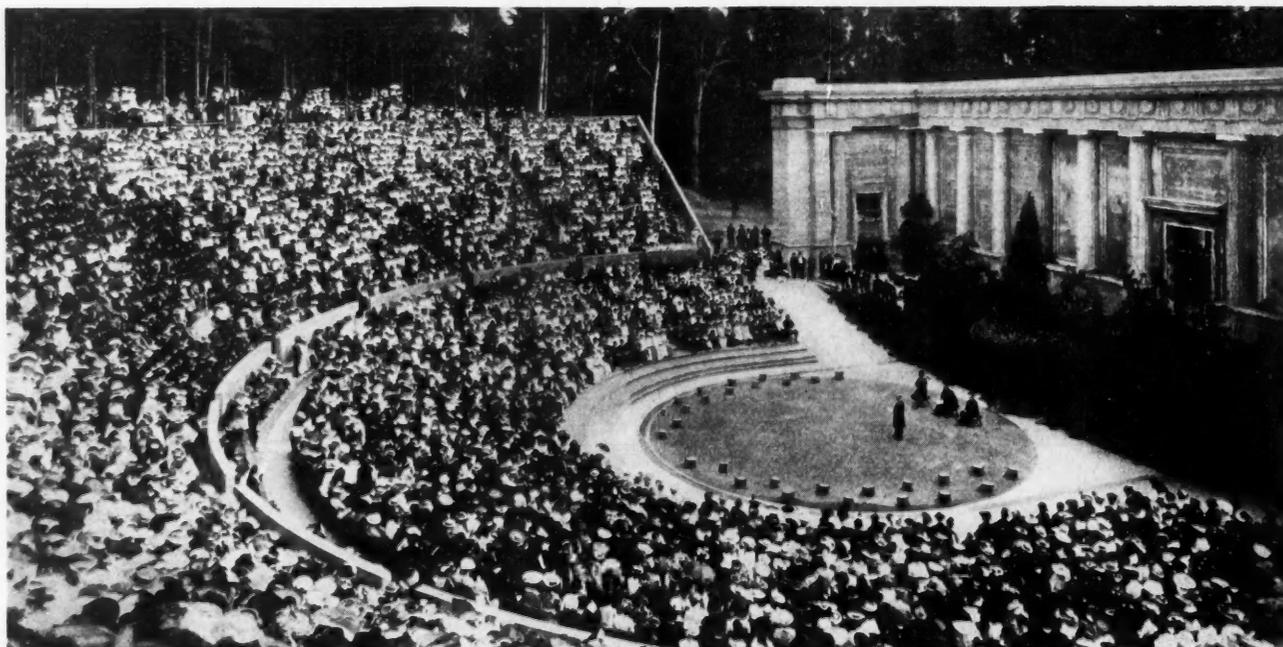
The World's Most Famous Theatre, Magnificent in its Ruins—The Colosseum at Rome

THE latest thing in open-air theatres, until the one planned by Elbert Hubbard for the Roycrofters at East Aurora becomes a fact, is the one at the University of California at Berkeley. It is still in a perfect state of preservation, having weathered the earthquake; this, in spite of the fact that a German newspaper insisted recently that on that occasion the roof fell in!

About fifteen years ago one of the students discovered that behind the University there was a certain curve in a certain hillside, and that at the base of this there was a level stage of greensward. An out-of-door extravaganza was arranged by this same student for Junior Day, and so great was the success of the first performance in "Ben Weed's Amphitheatre," that from that time on it became the authorized spot for college festivities, and midsummer night's

dreams of various sorts, and various occasions.

Five years ago the curve in the hillside was made more regular and outlined in stone. A theatre was built on the general plan of the theatre of Epidaurus in Greece, though somewhat smaller than the classic model, and with the stage considerably larger. The Greek stage was sometimes not more than five feet in depth. The stage of the Berkeley theatre is twenty-eight feet deep, one hundred and thirty feet wide and accomodates comfortably six hundred actors. The auditorium is two hundred and fifty-four feet in diameter and is made up of stone steps, rising tier on tier, above the orchestra—a circle of hard-packed earth fifty feet across. Back of the stage is a bare white wall ornamented with Doric columns. Two massive pylons finish the ends of the side walls, which extend out toward the auditorium.



Classic Greek Theatre at Berkeley—Dedication Exercises

It has been proposed that a row of marble seats should outline the orchestra and that each class should contribute a carved chair marked with its year, to be occupied on all public occasions by its most distinguished member. One can imagine that there might be some bit of discussion as to who was the most brilliant light of the many who had tried to shine. One can imagine too, the anguish of some modest little scientist who, shrinkingly sensitive, is nevertheless decreed by vote to be the most distinguished graduate of his year and is deposited in the great white marble arm chair, in view of all the world! Perhaps it is just as well that the present system should be continued of reserving the front rows of cane chairs for those who possess the distinction of being able to pay the extra price these seats command.

and life and imagination to thousands of human souls who think his thoughts and feel his emotions. Here Bernhardt recalled the days of Phedre. Shumann-Heink brought back the mediaeval Rhine world, and Roosevelt stirred his vast audience with desire for strenuous and righteous living. There have been Greek plays, the old miracle and morality spectacles, the Elizabethan masques—everything that is of interest in connection with the development of the drama has had here adequate and often excellent presentation.

These are the mid-week events. The regular Sunday afternoon performance is a half hour of music. The best musicians from all corners of the world are allowed to contribute their time and talent for one-half hour on Sunday afternoon as a free gift to the thousand



America's Classic Theatre—Graduation Exercises at the University of California

Reference is often made to the stone theatre of the University of California. If the tourist complains that it is only plain gray Portland cement, he is informed that if it is not stone it soon will be, for the donor of the theatre, William R. Hearst, has promised to face the entire structure with marble.

It is a distinctive privilege and honor to perform on the stage of the Greek theatre of Berkeley. The distinction is unique enough to tempt the greatest actors, musicians and orators to try there the power of human expression. The test is a severe and sure one; for the stage furnishes none of the extraneous stage helps in the way of scenic effects supplied by the ordinary theatre.

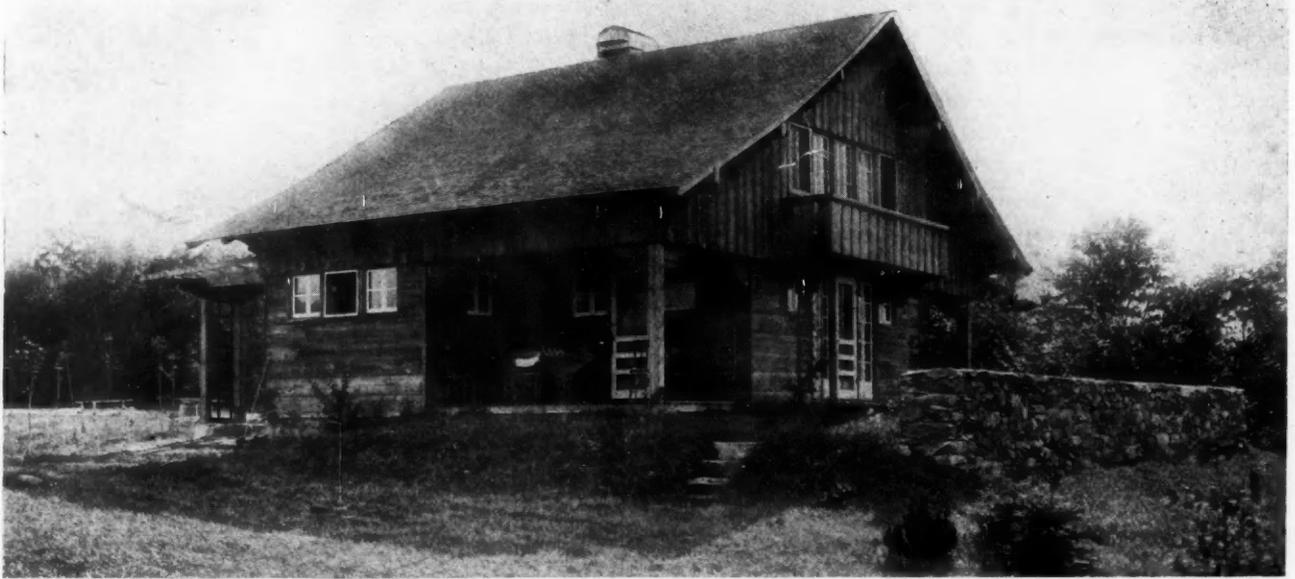
It must be a supreme moment when the bare white wall for background and colorless sky for canopy an individual feels himself a solitary figure giving color

ands of music lovers who come to Berkeley for this event from the half dozen towns and cities that surround San Francisco Bay.

The curious tourist comes, the father with his family, the student, music hungry, the lover and his lass—all sorts and conditions of men rest here after roaming the Berkeley hills and find, let us hope, the balm they seek, in this atmosphere of music and sunshine. No Sunday afternoon entertainment, it would seem, could be more conducive to real happiness and goodness than this half hour of music in the Greek theatre at Berkeley, under the clear blue of the California sky.



Man has constantly grown in power, strength, wisdom, excellence and worth. If he has ever fallen it has been upstairs, not down.



## A Model Country Bungalow for \$1500.

By Mary H. Northend

**T**HIS house is situated on the crest of a hill, at Fayal Mountain, Westboro, Massachusetts. It is owned by Mr. J. B. Strongman, and was designed by Calvin Kiessling, architect, of Boston, Mass., as an adaptation of the Swiss Chalet.

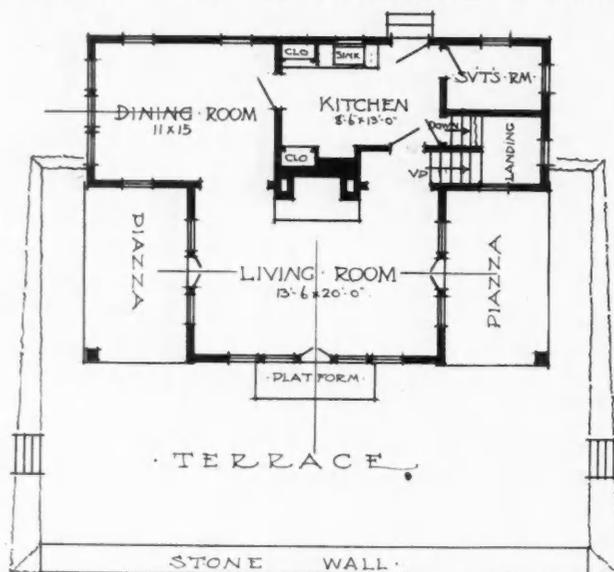
The spot chosen for the location is the highest land between Westboro and Worcester, with a long grassy sweep upon each side, and a background of forest trees. The exterior view here shown is that of the north corner of the house.

The exterior of the house is finished in the country

Switzerland. It adds very much to the cosy charm.

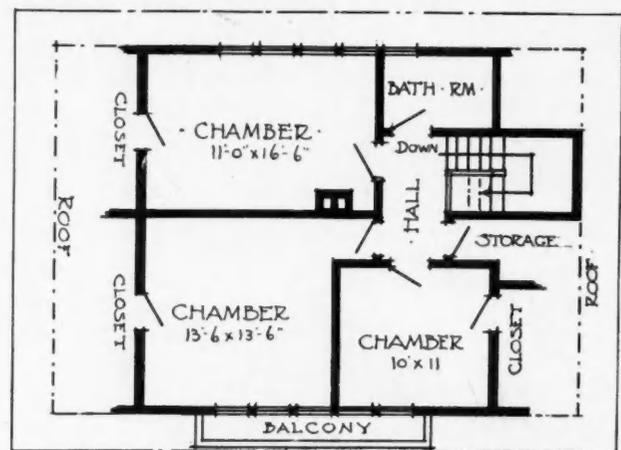
Both the shingles of the overhanging roof and the weather boarding of the sides are deeply weather stained, which gives the bungalow the appearance of having been built much longer than is really the case. The effect of this coloring is to fit the house to its surrounding of grassy lawns, and background of oak and pine, as unobtrusively as the grey lichens fit into the hillside pasture. The only paint is that used upon the window sashes; it is pearl white.

There are two verandas, of moderate size, the one



GROUND FLOOR PLAN.

pine, laid in the rough state. The second story shows wide boards placed vertically, the joints covered with battens, the boarding upon the lower story is laid horizontally and is tongued and grooved. The little overhanging balcony, with its balustrade and brackets, is similar to those seen all through the mountains of



SECOND FLOOR PLAN.

upon the northeast side, the other upon the southwest; there is also a pergola with a trellis upon the south.

The living room, which is twenty-one feet long by fourteen wide, lies between these two verandas, with doors opening upon each of them, and a third outer door opening upon the northwest, under the little overhanging balcony. These three doors give a delightful circulation of fresh air. Being glazed their whole length, they also admit much light, so that only case-

ment windows are necessary. This assists in the disposition of the furniture.

The fireplace and chimney received original treatment, from the fact that they were built from headers of clinker brick, taken from an old kiln, near by. The beauty of the material consists in the fact that it shows so many different colorings, with attractive shadings of grey, dull purple, and blue.

The architect who designed the house also planned the plain and solid combination settle and magazine-table, which may be seen before the fireplace.

The whole interior is at present unplastered. It is the purpose of the owner to finish the inside with rough plaster, and to make the bungalow an all-year-round-home, in the near future. In the meantime, it is perfectly comfortable for occupancy, except during the winter months. The joists are double, one foot on centers and boarded across the bottom, to give the effect of one long beam.

Behind the living room are the kitchen and dining-room, the latter occupying the whole eastern corner of the house. The finish and the furniture are similar to those in the living-room.

Upon the second floor, are three bed-rooms and a bath. There are hard pine floors throughout the house,

all the woodwork is stained dark brown, and there is a good cellar, to contain the furnace which will be placed when the bungalow is in use during the whole



View Looking Into the Dining Room

year. This cellar is cemented, sides and floor.

The cost of this attractive little bungalow to build was approximately \$1,500. In many parts of the country at the present time it could be built for less.



The Living Room. Showing Hand-Made Combination Table and Settee

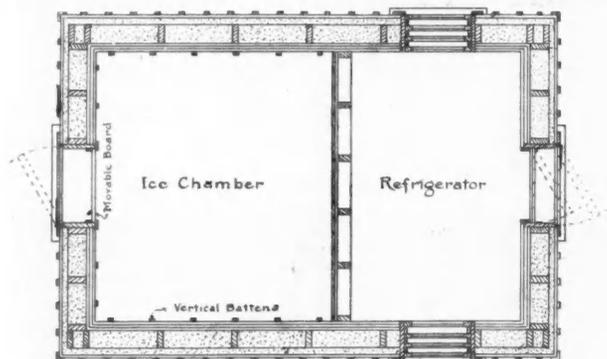
## How to Build a Small Cold Storage Plant

DEVELOPMENT OF REFRIGERATION AND ITS SPECIAL VALUE TO FARMERS—WORKING DRAWINGS OF A PRACTICAL MODERN PLANT FOR PRIVATE OR CO-OPERATIVE USE

By T. B. Kidner

**T**HE general introduction of cold storage during the past few years has had an enormous effect in stimulating production and opening new avenues of wealth for agriculturists and others engaged in the distribution of food products the world over.

By means of refrigerator cars, western beef is now delivered in prime condition all over the continent and together with the fruits of California finds a ready market in London, Paris and other European cities, by an extension of the principle to ocean liners. The experience of Argentina, Australia and New Zealand as to the benefits of cold storage makes a very interesting story. In 1880 sheep had become so numerous in Australia that their carcasses were used for ma-



Plan—Showing also Wall Construction

nure, and they were bred for their skins and tallow only. In that year, however, a small beginning was made in cold storage, and 400 carcasses of sheep were exported in chilled or refrigerating chambers of steamships.

At the present time, Australia exports about two million carcasses, and the Argentine Republic and New Zealand each send nearly double that number annually to the over-crowded manufacturing cities of Great Britain and the continent of Europe.

Cold storage plants are also a feature in all our large cities today, and under the fostering care of the federal Department of Agriculture, cold storage collecting stations have been established in many farming districts on the co-operative plan. By means of these collecting stations, the farmers of the districts round about them can keep their perishable fruits and vegetables, eggs and poultry, for a long time in prime condition, and can avoid marketing their products all at one time, so creating glutted markets and consequently ruinous prices.

The advantages of this, both for the local trade and for markets in distant cities, are too obvious to need dwelling upon. In point of fact, the refrigerating industry has become so important in all countries that it now forms a branch of engineering by itself. It is not the purpose of this article, however, to deal

with the principles or construction of large plants involving the installation of machinery, but rather with small, simple storage houses, which can be cheaply and easily built, and for which there is an increasing demand in many localities. The farmer, the small country butcher and the storekeeper handling eggs, butter, small fruits and many other perishable commodities, are all looking for some simple and inexpensive means of cold storage.

With the view then, that readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, who may have had no experience in building ice houses and refrigerating chambers, may become acquainted with the methods and principles involved, this article, dealing with the plans and specification for a simple and low-priced plant, has been prepared.

### The Hanrahan System

The system is based upon the well-known and widely used Hanrahan system, the best known for long distance transportation on the railroads of this continent. It is also similar in principle to many domestic ice chests or refrigerators, and consists in passing a current of air over a mass of ice and thence into a separate chamber in which the food products are stored. From the simple natural law that warm air rises and cold air falls, a continuous circulation of cooled air passes through the refrigerating chamber and back onto the surface of the ice in the ice chamber. Any odors and gases from the food are thus brought into direct contact with the melting surface of the ice, which absorbs them and keeps the air in the food chamber in good condition.

The design here given is adapted from one recommended by the Ontario government, and has been built in many localities with complete success. The higher portion is the ice chamber, the lower the food chamber. Each portion has a metal ventilator, of the type advertised in the columns of this magazine, fixed on the ridge. The roofs are of shingles, laid on one inch boarding in the usual manner, and capped with five inch ridge boards and two inch roll.

### Details of Construction

The site chosen should be slightly elevated, so as to allow of good drainage, and must be prepared by laying a good bed of sand, about six inches deep, well packed down and leveled, and rather larger than the plan of the building. In this sand four pieces of 6 by 6 are imbedded to form the bearing for the floors. The section shows this and other details of construction.

Sills for the frame are formed of 2 by 8 pieces, doubled and lapped, and spiked at the angles.

The size of house recommended by the Ontario government for the average small plant would call for an

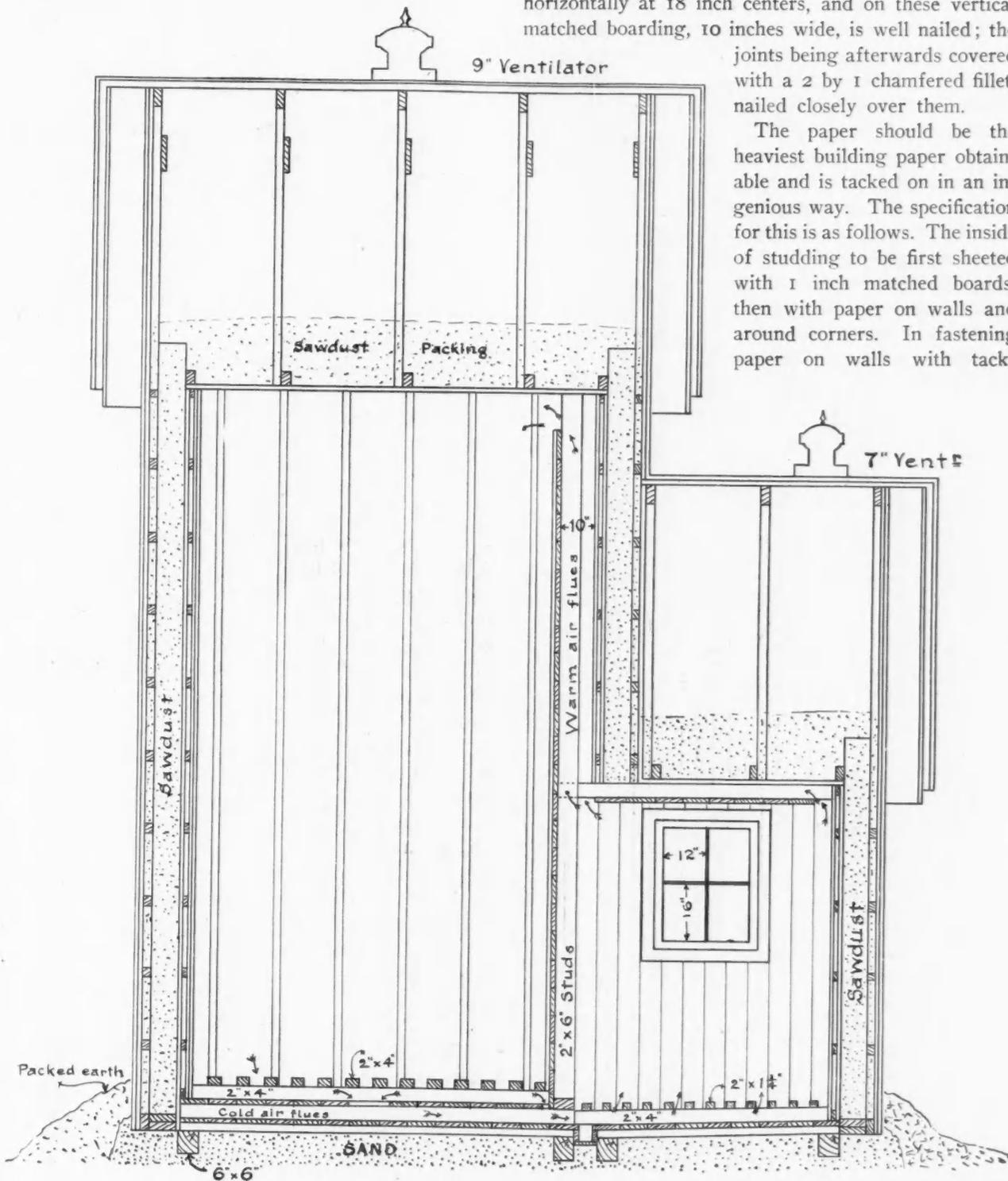
oblong formed of 2 by 8 pieces, 11 feet 6 inches the short way and 17 feet 6 inches the long way. On this 2 by 8 studs are erected and spiked into position at the foot. The studs for the ice chamber are 18 feet long and for the refrigerating room 9 feet, and are spaced as shown in the plan.

The ceiling joists, 2 by 4, are spiked to the sides

port for the latter. The ceiling is formed of  $\frac{7}{8}$  matched boarding, nailed to the underside of the joists and covered with 14 or 15 inches of well-packed, dry sawdust. All spaces between the studding are also packed with sawdust, well pressed down into every nook and cranny.

On the outside of the studs, 2 by 2 straps are nailed horizontally at 18 inch centers, and on these vertical matched boarding, 10 inches wide, is well nailed; the joints being afterwards covered with a 2 by 1 chamfered fillet, nailed closely over them.

The paper should be the heaviest building paper obtainable and is tacked on in an ingenious way. The specification for this is as follows. The inside of studding to be first sheeted with 1 inch matched boards, then with paper on walls and around corners. In fastening paper on walls with tacks



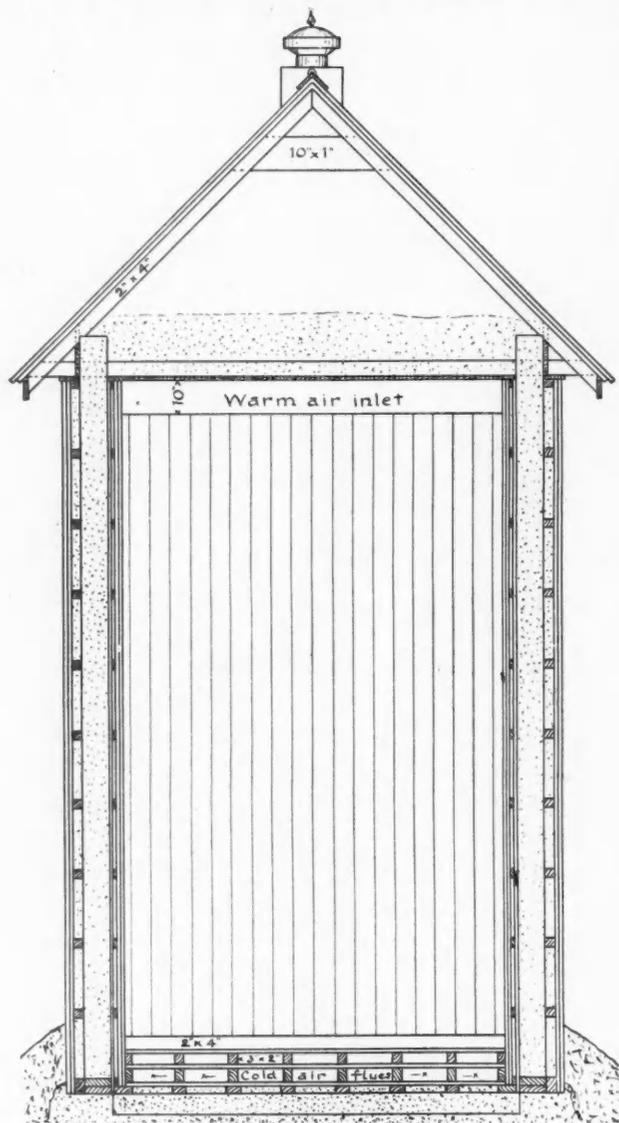
Section Through Ice and Refrigerating Chambers, Showing Air Circulation

of the studs, so that the bottom edge of the joists will be 12 inches below the top of the stud. The joists extend far enough over the sides to allow the rafters to be spiked to them, thus forming a good sup-

port for the latter. The ceiling is formed of  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch long, do not drive the tacks home, but let them project half their length. Then take a ball of twine (No. 8 cotton, if procurable, or something similar, such as thick yarn, not too hard); run this twine

over the heads of the tacks, which must be placed so as to have a line of twine directly under the 2 by 1 inch battens to be put on. When the twine is on, drive tacks home; on the paper, and over the twine, place vertically 2 by 1 inch dressed battens at about 18 inch centers. Between these battens fix similar ones horizontally, over the twine and about 36 inches apart. These horizontal battens must be cut true on the ends and fitted tightly between the upright pieces. Over these battens lay another layer of paper and twine, put on as before; then sheet with matched lumber fixed vertically. Over this inside sheeting, place 2 by 1 battens, fixed vertically from floor to ceiling at about 18 inch centers. (These battens are not required in food chamber.)

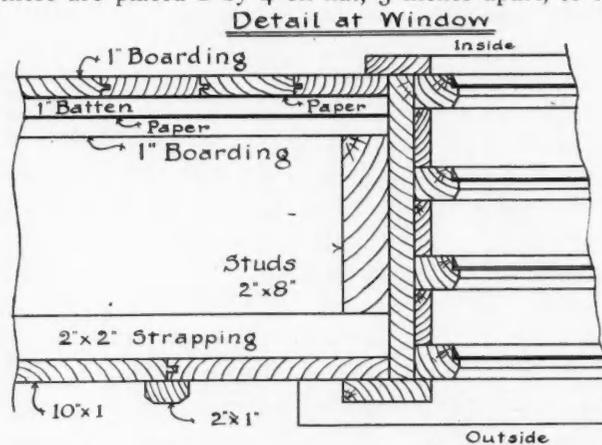
The floor of the ice chamber is built up on the 6 by 6 sills, referred to before, and consists of alternate layers of matched boarding and quartering. The floor



Section Through Ice Chamber

must have a fall of at least one inch towards the central gutter. As may be seen in the cross section, the first layer consists of pieces of 2 by 4 on flat, well spiked to the 6 inch sills, 1 foot apart, and thoroughly

packed round with sand. On these is laid the first floor of 1 inch planed matched boards. On this, and directly over the 2 by 4 pieces, are laid pieces of 2 by 3 to support another floor of 1 inch planed matched boards. A reference to the longitudinal section will show in this floor an opening 12 inches wide and extending the full width of ice chamber and a narrower one at the end. On this upper floor is laid another set of 2 by 4 on edge over the under bearers; across these are placed 2 by 4 on flat, 3 inches apart, to re-



ceive the blocks of ice. The two layers of boarding form a set of cold air flues, through which the air passes to the food chamber.

The floor of the food or refrigerating chamber is formed of 1 inch matched boarding laid on pieces of 2 by 4, spiked on two 6 by 6 sills and with a fall towards the gutter. Pieces of 2 by 4 on edge are then laid on top of the 1 inch boarding at 15 inch centers, and across these  $1\frac{1}{4}$  by 2 inch battens, 1 inch apart, are firmly nailed. This lattice floor should be in two or three sections, so as to allow of its being readily lifted for cleaning.

The partition between the ice house next requires attention. It is formed of 2 by 6 studs laid on a 2 by 6 shoe piece spiked on top of the first layer of 2 by 3 bearers in the ice chamber. These studs must be planed on all sides, as they form the sides of the flues for the passage of the warm air from the refrigerator to the ice. A layer of planed matched boarding, laid horizontally, is then nailed to the studs, followed by a layer of paper and another layer of planed matched boarding, laid vertically. These layers of boarding are stopped 10 inches from the ceiling of the ice chamber to form the outlet for the warm air flues.

The end wall of the ice chamber, above the food chamber must now be formed. First spike some planed pieces of 2 by 4 to the 2 by 6 studs just described and to the 2 by 8 studs at the outer end of the food chamber, to form joists. The under side of these 2 by 4 joists is covered with planed matched boarding, all except a space of 12 inches at each end.

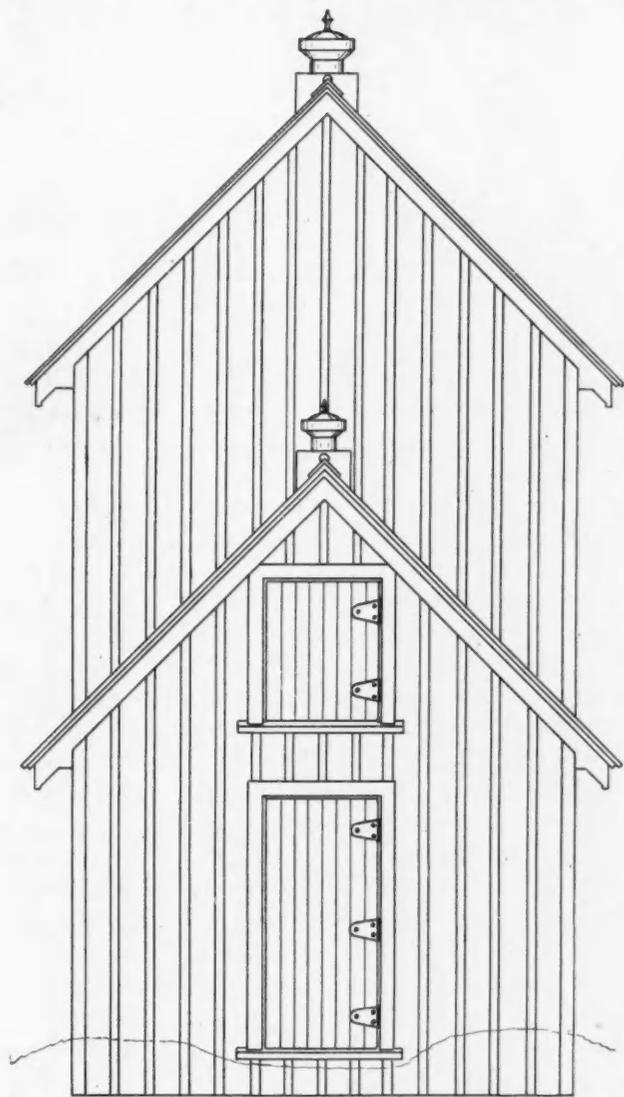
Short pieces of planed 2 by 4 are then spiked against the edges of the 2 by 6 studs to piece out the flues to 10 inches wide. Upon their edges are laid two layers of boarding with two layers of paper, and battens be-

tween. Next, 2 by 8 studs, resting on 2 by 8 pieces, supported on the 2 by 4 longitudinal ceiling joists, are fixed in position, and these are in turn covered with 2 by 2 strapping, vertical boarding and battens, as before described for the outside finish.

The spaces between the 2 by 8 studs and 2 inch strapping are packed with sawdust, as before specified.

The ceiling proper of the refrigerating chamber is then formed of 2 by 4 joists, with matched boarding on the under side and a 15 inch layer of sawdust on top.

The ice chamber end of the building has a small door in the gable to afford means of access to the space over the ceilings, so as to allow of the sawdust being packed down and added to from time to time. There is also a door below which gives access to the ice-chamber and is built in three pieces for convenience in



There Are Similar Doors in Other End for Ice

charging. The doors are of 1 inch matched boarding on the face and of the same material, laid diagonally, on the inside; stout building paper is laid between the two layers of boarding. Wide rabbets or stops should be formed and rubber draught stop tubing nailed on them, so that the doors close tightly against it.

The other end of the building, as shown in the elevation, has a door in the gable similar to that in the ice chamber end, but, as may be seen from the plan, the door to the refrigerating chamber is double, with an air space between. Each door is constructed in the manner described for the ice chamber doors. A good birch or oak sill should be provided. The windows in the refrigerator chamber are quadruple. Each of the four sashes is fitted closely into the frame and held in place with  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch stops, as shown in detail. The window frame is of stout 1 inch stuff and the sill is 2 inch. Great care must be taken in making the window frame, so that no leaks can occur. This is important, for the efficiency of the whole plant depends upon every part being as far as possible air tight, so that the condition of the atmosphere outside shall not interfere with the circulation in the interior.

When food is placed in the refrigerating chamber (on suitable shelves, hooks, etc.), the warm air rises from it and passes through the flues into the ice chamber. There it comes into contact with the ice and passes down at the sides and end, through the cold air flues under the floor and into the food chamber again. This process continues indefinitely but, of course, becomes slower when the contents of the refrigerator chamber are thoroughly chilled.

The drain is also an important part and must be carefully constructed or it may afford a means of entrance for warm air from without. The drain inside the chamber is of wood, lined with heavy galvanized iron, and should discharge into a terra cotta gutter trap, connected with a few feet of pipe to carry the drainage clear of the site. The banking of the building with earth for a height of 12 or 15 inches is another precaution.

The inside of the ice chamber is left rough. The food chamber must have two or three coats of good shellac varnish and the whole of the exterior should be painted in the usual manner.

The size of house here described is the smallest recommended, but no difficulty will be found in adapting the methods and specifications to larger houses.



### "Ah, the Pity of It"

Sing a song of swellheads, a fellow full of gin, coming home at 2 a. m., his wife won't let him in. His feet are full of tanglefoot, his head is full of wheels, the keyhole runs around the knob, he a funny feeling feels. He puts his feet upon the porch, his head upon the ground, and all the same within his "mug" the wheels are going round. He thinks that he is sober and everyone is tight, and he's in his bedroom instead of out at night. He thinks the moon's a dollar and will buy a dozen drinks, and many other thoughts he thinks and drinks and thinks. But when his wife she cometh and with a hickory slat, he gives a shout and yelleth, "Now, Mary Ann, quit that."

# STEEL SQUARE

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## How to Use the Steel Square

SHOWING HOW TO FIND THE BUTT JOINT FOR HOPPERS BY DIAGRAM, ALSO HOW OTHER ANGLES REQUIRED IN BUILDING HOPPERS MAY BE OBTAINED

WELL, we are still in the hopper and what may seem worse to some of the readers, we do not know when we will get out. But we will start in easy this time, with an A-B-C-D method, as shown in Fig. 219. This is for a butt joint hopper. The pitch may be anything desired, from 0 to 90 degrees. When the board is lying flat on the base line, it represents "0" degrees and the cut would simply be a square cut and when the four sides are put together, would simply be a frame, as shown by the sectional corner in Fig. 220. But when one edge of the board is raised, the incline represents the pitch; and the more it is raised, the steeper the pitch, till it stands on its edge. It is then vertical and represents "90" degrees and the cut would again be square as in the former illustration, but this time when the four pieces are put together, they form the sides of a vertical box, as shown in the sectional corner at Fig. 221. This represents the beginning and the ending, and is

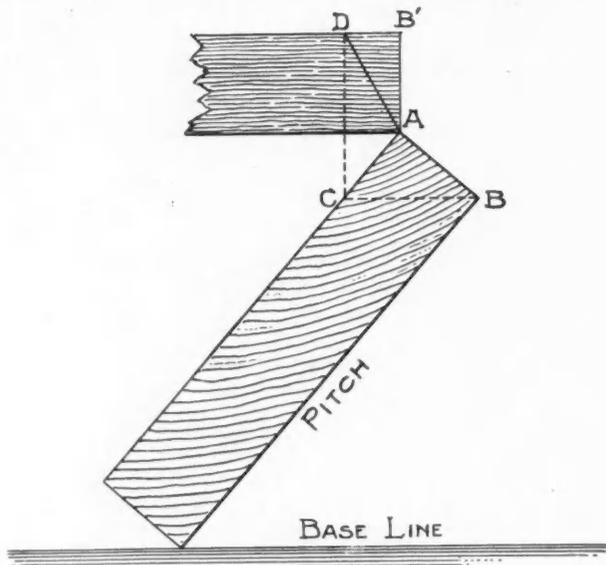


Fig. 219

clear enough. Anybody can see that, but how to find the cut between these points is the question.

Now, let us go back to Fig. 219. The pitch, as we said before, can be anything from nothing to straight up. In this, we have chosen 14 inches rise to the foot run. C-B is parallel to the base line. A-B<sup>1</sup> represents

the thickness of the board. Now draw the line C-D at right angles from C-B and the line A-D will represent the angle for the butt joint across the square edge of the board, or the same result may be found by simply beveling the corner of the board to the line C-B. Then the angle across the top would again be

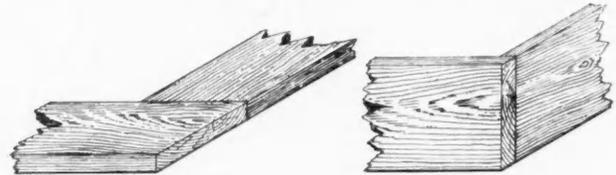


FIG. 220.

FIG. 221.

square and the intersection of this line at the edges gives the starting points for the side angles which are found in the same manner as for a hopper with the miter joint as before shown and described in our last article, at Fig. 214.

In the above we have shown how the angles may be found without the use of the steel square. We will now take the same example, as shown in Fig. 219 and illustrate how the same results may be obtained with the steel square. Along with same, are also shown two ways for finding the figures to use for the miter joints and one way for the angle for the cut across the face of the board to give the desired flare or pitch.

Referring to Fig. 222, the pitch is represented by 12 and 14 as will be seen by the board, which for illustration is made to occupy the full length of the angle though not necessarily so, as the board could be of any width. The edge of the board being square, the complement pitch rests at 90 degrees from the given pitch. Now, it is the length of the complement pitch (21½ inches) transferred to the blade, and the figures 12 and 21½ will give the butt joint cut. To prove this, suppose the tongue is pivoted at 12. Now raise the blade. See the dotted circle line over which the 21½ mark travels, till it rests at the parallel line from the tongue in its original position and it will be seen that the tongue stands in the same position to the edge of the board as at A-D in Fig. 219. Therefore these figures will give the angle for the butt joint cut when the pitch is 14 inch rise to the foot.

12 and 9⅞ will give the miter joint for the same

pitch. Note the dotted circle from the heel to the intersection of the pitch and this point carried across to the blade rests at  $9\frac{1}{8}$ . The radius of this circle is

The dotted lines and circles shown in Fig. 222 are to illustrate the different proportions and their line of movements over which they pass in the transferring

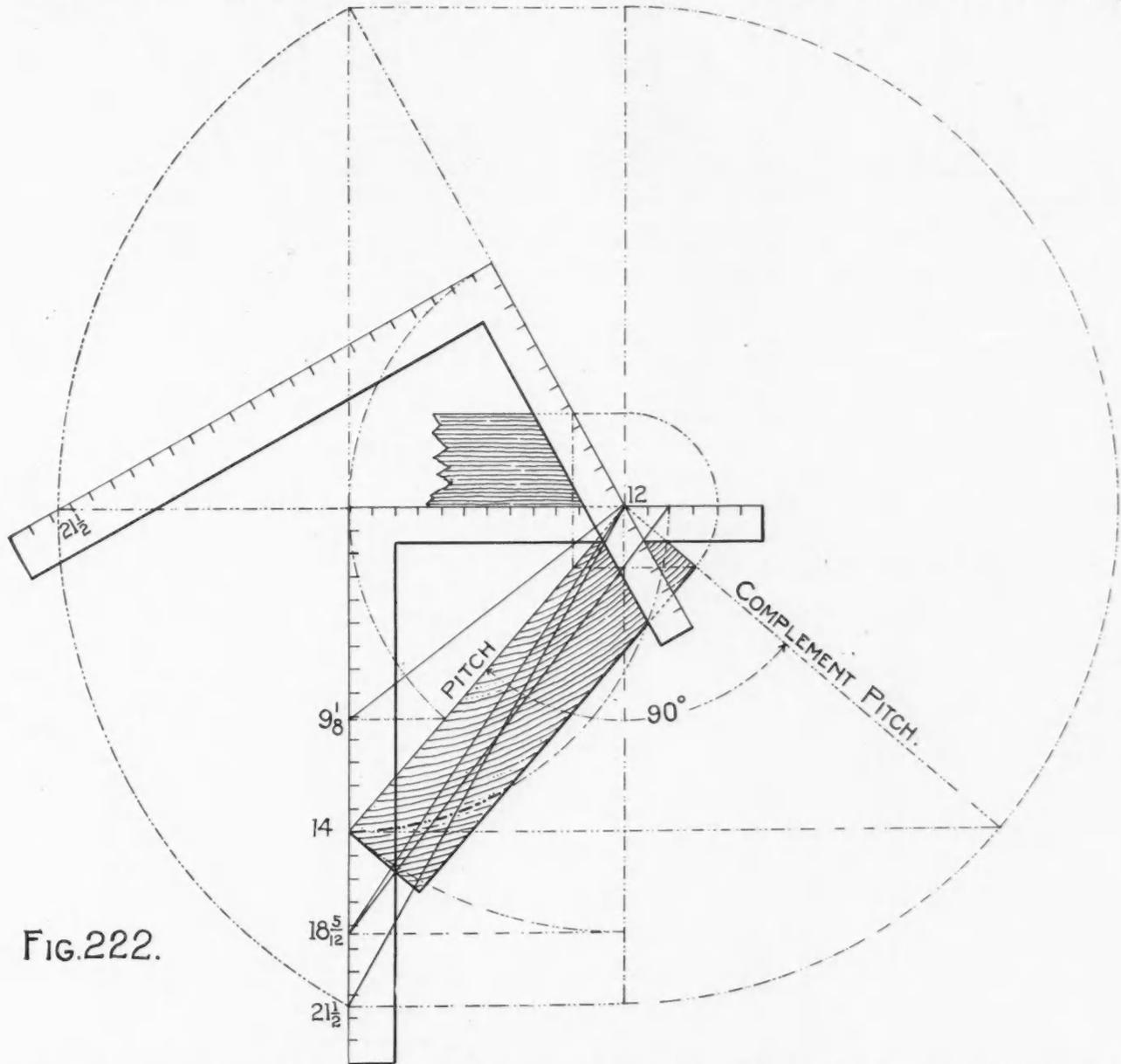


FIG. 222.

12 inches, because that represents the full scale for a one foot run. Then 12 on the tongue and  $9\frac{1}{8}$  on the blade will give the miter, the blade giving the angle. Or the rise (14) taken on the tongue, and the length of the pitch (18  $\frac{5}{12}$ ) taken on the blade, will give

operation to get the proportions on the steel square.

The apprentice should study this diagram because all of the points are clearly illustrated as to their relation to one another. Remember that 12 is a fixed point on the tongue, because it represents the run for any pitch, while the figures on the blade are changeable because they are governed by the pitch which is changeable.



**Caught a Tartar**

The following vivid pen picture is taken from the editorial columns of an Iowa journal: "There was a blow. Somebody fell. We got up. Turning upon our antagonist, we succeeded in winding his arms around our waist, and by a quick maneuver threw him on top of us, bringing our back at the same time in contact with the solid bed of the printing press. Then, inserting our nose between his teeth and cleverly entangling his hands in our hair, we had him."

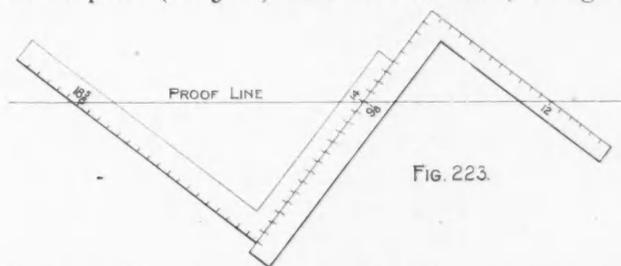


FIG. 223.

the same thing, but the tongue in this case gives the cut. For proof of this, see Fig. 223.

For the angle across the face of the board, it is 12 on the tongue and the length of the pitch (18  $\frac{5}{12}$ ) on the blade; the tongue will give the angle.

# PRACTICAL CARPENTRY

## Tile Veneer for Frame Buildings

AN INGENIOUS METHOD OF REMODELING OLD STYLE FRAME HOUSES TO MAKE THEM ATTRACTIVE AND UP-TO-DATE — PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS

By C. Bryant Schaefer

AS MODERN buildings supersede the old style frame buildings it often becomes a question how to remodel them. An effort to imitate the new is seldom successful, but if the old buildings are improved in their own way the results may be very good. Designs of this sort have been lacking because the new students in art give no attention to the work of the

The new entrance was to be brought down to within a few feet of the grade. A half flight of stairs was to lead from the vestibule down to the dining room, and another half flight up to the parlor floor.

Heavy moldings around the windows, of course, had to be removed. It was also necessary to see that foundations were good and the walls and jambs plumb.

The design chosen for the remodeling calls for a veneer of glazed or enameled tile. Such a front would lead the fashion for a long time to come. The designer introduced a number of years ago enameled tile on exteriors, since which time it has become very popular. It is durable, always clean and cheerfully light, besides being elegant in appearance. This makes it well worth the expense.

The dimensions of the diagrams are suitable also for Roman brick, flatwise, so that that material can be used with terra cotta moldings. These moldings are so constructed that a thin veneer may be used.

The veneering may also be of cast concrete blocks of the same sizes. It is this choice of materials and adjustability of the same forms to different dimensions, that makes the design economically practical.

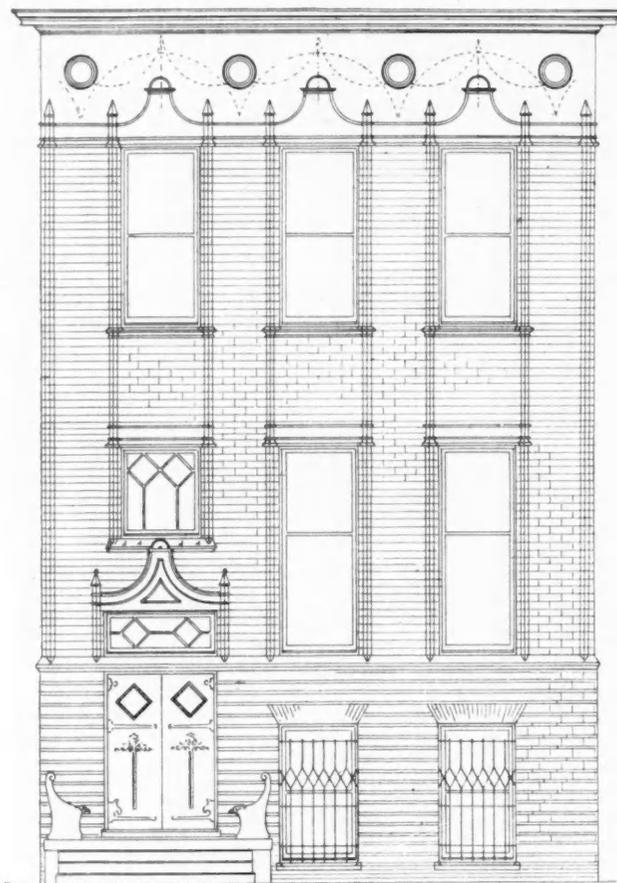
The V shaped vertical members of terra cotta stiffen the veneer at the corners and windows. These are anchored to the wall and overlap the wall covering, holding it in place. This also covers the ragged joint where the tile has to be clipped. This is shown in the section of the first and second story wall.

The basement is in Richardson courses, only instead of stone the brick is laid alternately flat and edgewise. The vacant space is filled with concrete, as shown in the section.

It is not enough to drive spikes into the wall for anchors. They must hook firmly around the sheathing or another spike at right angles. The window head requires a small angle as shown on the diagram. It must be bolted to the framework.

The space between the veneer and the siding should be not less than an inch and well filled with cement mortar.

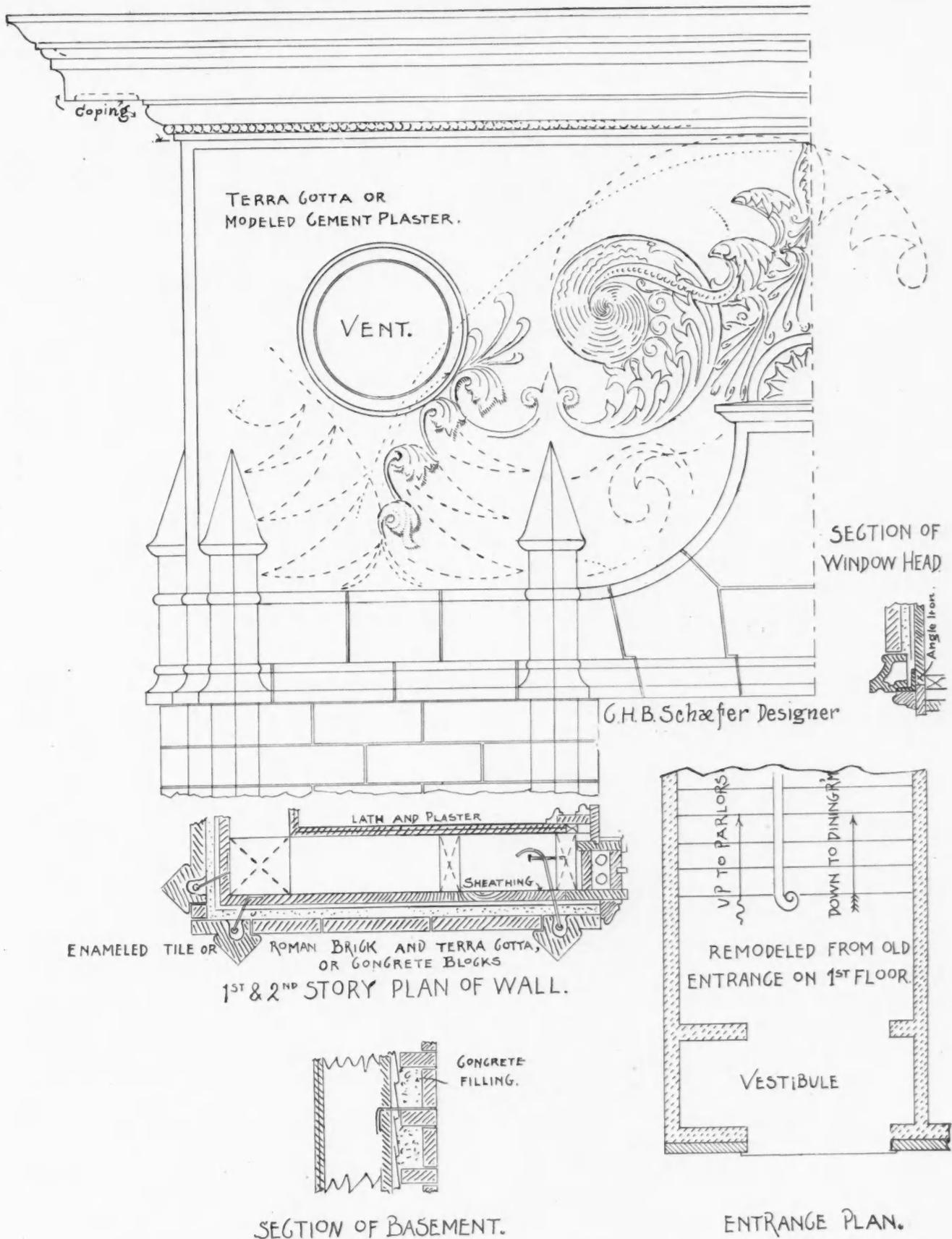
The frieze can be made of plain veneer or con-



DESIGN FOR REMODELING AND VENEERING  
OLD STYLE FRAME FRONTS.

old timers in their own localities.

The accompanying design was made for a typical front in the old style of carpentry work. The ceilings of the main story were very high. The basement was a full story. An outside flight of steps led to the front door on the second floor level.



structed of cement plaster on wire lath.  
 A plaster frieze can be modeled with good effect. It should be done off-hand while being laid onto the metal lath. The centers and grouping of the pattern should first be indicated as shown on the elevation. Then

the carving can be quickly modeled from a sketch. It is not necessary to have all the details correspond exactly if the symmetrical outline is preserved. Fine detail should be avoided.  
 The long curves should be made at a single sweep.



house this is not necessary, nor desirable.

In No. 6, the brickwork is all reduced to the super yard 9-in. thick, including  $\frac{1}{2}$  brick partitions, but a note should be made as to whether there is much stud partitioning, and whether the openings are particularly large or numerous.

Having the particulars before him, the contractor is in a position to arrive at least at a very approximate value of the building of average size, character, and finish, and may adopt either of the four following methods: (A) At so much per cubic foot. (B) So much per square. (C) So much per room. (D) So much per yard of brickwork.

Of these methods, (A), column 3, is perhaps the most common, the measurements being taken from the bottom footings to half-way up roof. Yet in some respects it is the least satisfactory, chiefly on the ground that the figures dealt with are large, and any miscalculation must necessarily result in a mistake of some magnitude.

For instance—apart from an actual error in the figures—in the case of a pair of semidetached houses of 40,000 cub. ft. the pair, the difference between 11c and 12c per cubic foot would be \$400, which is too large a margin to play with. Given the information of the afore-mentioned table, the most satisfactory method on the whole is (B), column 5. The pair of houses of 40,000 cub. ft. would contain eight squares on each floor in each house, a total of 32 for the pair, which at the price of \$4800 the pair is \$150 a square. It is clear that by this method a mistake has not so serious results as by method (A). In the case of a contractor pricing at either \$145 or \$155 a square, the result does not mean a severe loss on one side, nor destroy his chance of the job on the other. Furthermore there is a better opportunity of adjustment of price by adding to or deducting from the price per square.

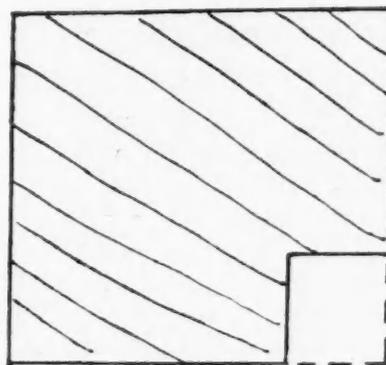
In dealing with out buildings of one story, it is best to cube these, reckoning the main building only by the square. Boundary walls, fencing, entrance gates must be, of course, kept separate in each case, and as these are usually simple and easily measured, there is no difficulty about this.

Sometimes it is the case that the house for the erection of which the builder is tendering is, on the whole, of ordinary materials and finish; but has in connection with it one or two troublesome or expensive particulars—perhaps a dining or drawing-room, done out with somewhat costly fittings, or with carved work. The simplest way is undoubtedly to treat the whole by the square, and add a sum for the particular items.

Method (C), column 7, cannot be considered so satisfactory as the price per square method just given. It is obvious that the size of the rooms is of the first importance. The writer, however, knew one contractor who always arrived at his price by means of this method, and he was guided almost exclusively by the

size of the ground floor rooms. Having a certain price for these rooms, of average size and height, he varied his price per room, according as they differed from his standard. He contended that the size of the upper rooms was necessarily governed by that of the lower rooms. The particulars essential for tendering by this method are the same as those for tendering by the square, and the same remarks apply generally.

The last method, column 9, is very simple and very useful; and given, as already stated, similar materials and finish, there is a very close connection between the price and the number of yards of brickwork. The only thing to be noted is whether the amount of stud partition is unusually large. It might be argued that the number of yards of brickwork would be no guide in the case of the house shown in the sketch; that if



the house was made square—as indicated by the dotted lines—the brickwork, at least in the external walls, would be the same in both cases; yet in that of the square house the space enclosed would be larger, with more floor area, and therefore of greater cost.

In answer to that, there are these considerations: For its size, the house with the irregular outline, has a larger proportion of external walling and external facing; the roof would be likely to be more expensive in labor, more cutting of brickwork and roofing would be required; all of which would compensate for the extra floor space, etc.; and the balance would thus be restored.

These various methods that have been touched upon can only be used for the purpose of arriving at an approximate price; though it may be, and one may say usually is very approximate to the value of the work. Of course they cannot be said to compare for reliability with the proper and correct taking off by the builder of the quantities of the materials and labor required. Still, whether they are not preferable to the often scanty and incorrect particulars called quantities, upon which some contractors have to base their prices, is a question the reader must decide for himself.



### An Innovation

The young preacher officiating at his first funeral wished to give friends an opportunity to view the remains, and not liking the use of hackneyed phrases, announced: "The congregation will now pass 'round the bier!"



We would never learn the truth about certain folks if they didn't quarrel occasionally.

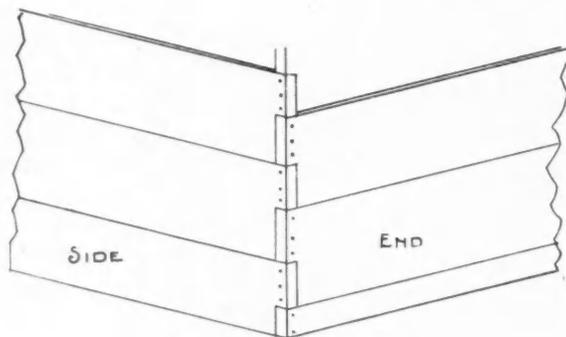
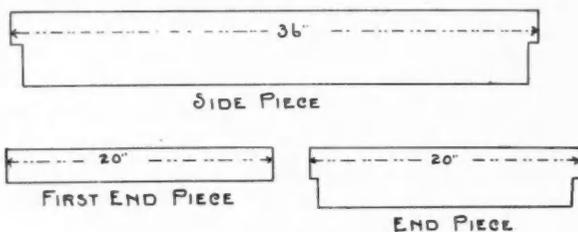
## A Good Tool Chest

HOW TO BUILD A STRONG, HANDY CHEST OF PROPER SIZE—MATERIAL REQUIRED TO MAKE IT—AND ADVANTAGES OF ITS USE

By John Upton

**T**HE ordinary carpenter usually builds himself a tool chest and so is on the lookout for new ideas. I recently built a chest which has some unusual features and believing that a description will interest the readers, am submitting the same. It is intended for use rather than ornament. The lumber was  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch thick,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches wide. The chest measures 36 by 18 inches inside and is 8 inches deep. I cut the pieces 38 by 20 inches long so as to make lock joints at the corners. The lower piece at each end was 2 inches wide. The side pieces had the corners removed so as to lock over these. The corners of the next end pieces were removed and so on, building the chest up in log cabin style.

The inside and ends for the lids were 2 inches wide, halved at the corners. The tongues and grooves were oiled before putting the work together and screws were used for fastening. The usual handles, hinges

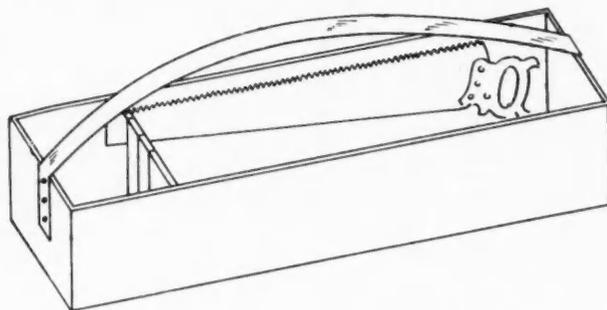


DETAIL OF CORNER,  
SHOWING LOCK JOINT.

and locks were used. To help hold the lid in place when the chest is shipped on the train, holes were bored in both chest and lid and dowel pins were inserted so that when the lid is shut down, it is securely held against shoving or chucking. As a further precaution, hasps and staples were put on the front so that two small padlocks may be used to supplement the lock. Wooden buttons were arranged in the lid to hold two squares. A piece  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches wide was put across each end to hold a sliding tray. These pieces help to strengthen the chest, since both bottom and sides are fastened to it, also the handles. The sliding tray occupies one-half the width of the chest and comes up close against the lid when the latter is down. In one corner of the sliding tray, a box is fastened. This has a sliding cover and there is a but-

ton to hold the cover shut. This box is for pencils, chalk and several small articles. The other half of the chest contains the loose till, or till box, which is also the saw rack. This box is 36 by 8 by 9 inches outside. It has a place for four saws, a level and other articles.

The handle is a leather strap, which drops down out



### LOOSE TILL OR TOOL BOX.

of the way when put in the chest. This chest is just about the right size to hold all of the tools ordinarily needed on a job.



### Mechanical Problems of the Skyscraper

The advent of the six-hundred-foot building has called for an important readjustment of the mechanical transit problem for skyscrapers. The result is a new type of elevator called "the traction," with power machinery located above the shaft instead of in its accustomed place in the cellar. To create ample safety devices for the cars of such a system is a serious problem. The possible precipitation of a carload of passengers from a six-hundred-foot height is not a pleasant thing to contemplate. It is only fair to say, however, that the number of passengers carried in them daily is not large, and also it may be asserted that contractors supplying such installations are of the highest reliability.

Another development which has been brought about in building construction by the very tall building is a scientific treatment of foundations. The execution of this branch of building construction now proceeds from a corps of specialists with adequate equipment to construct as well as design foundations to support the most gigantic superstructures. Fortunately, rock-bottom is not beyond human reach and the stability of the building is biblically assured. And if our present development continues we shall have to go still higher to gratify our ambitions, outreaching the Tower of Babel, but without its disastrous consequences.



A newly-imported wood, used for high-class cabinet and piano work, is the Tasmanian myrtle. It is of a rich pink color, hard and very close-grained.



# THE HOME WORKSHOP

Ira S. Griffith

## Handicraft Furniture for the Bedroom

PRACTICAL AND ARTISTIC DESIGNS FOR DESIRABLE HOME FURNITURE ADAPTED TO HAND CONSTRUCTION—ENJOYABLE WORK FOR THE SPARE HOUR

**W**E PRESENT to the readers of the Home Workshop some straight-line pieces of furniture especially suited to the cottage bedroom.

Of all the places in a house, the sleeping apartment—the place where, more than any other part of the house, the most of one's life is spent—should be simply but adequately equipped.

Every piece here described is well within the ability

pieces that can not be prepared by means of the ordinary hand tools found in every journeyman carpenter's box.

In Fig. 1. is shown a cottage dressing table. The size over all is, length forty-four inches, depth twenty-four inches and height sixty-three inches. The mirror is twenty-four by thirty inches. This mirror may appropriately be of either plain or bevel plate glass.

The upper part of the dresser should be made de-



Fig. 1. Cottage Dressing Table and Stand of Simple and Pleasing Design

of any worker in wood. Though much time and drudgery would be saved were it possible for the worker to make use of the circular or band saw, the planer or jointer, the sander, mortiser, etc., etc., yet there is nothing in the construction of any of these

tachable so that the mirror may be properly wrapped and packed should it ever become necessary to ship it. The importance of making such pieces in two parts is recognized by all furniture manufacturers. Two cleats on the back, fastened by means of screws to

the two parts, will suffice to hold the parts together.

Knobs for the five drawers may be purchased at most any hardware store, simple round brass ones will look well.

A rather heavy top should be used—an inch and an

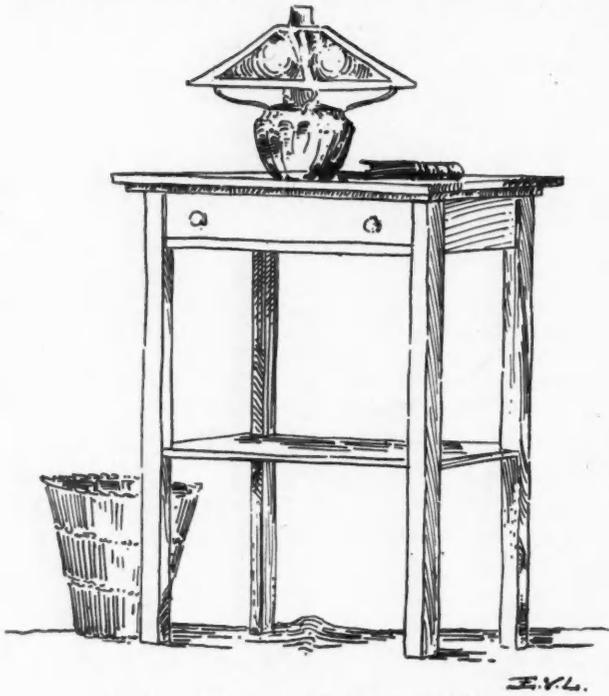


Fig. 2. A Convenient Table—Easily Made

eighth is none too thick. The whole design can be made to assume lighter proportions than are shown in the sketch by making the drawers shallower.

Special fasteners may be had for fastening the mirror to the supports so that it can swing freely. It may not be out of place to remind the inexperienced that these fasteners must be placed quite a little above the middle of the mirror, otherwise the top will swing forward. A very pretty effect is produced by using wooden pins with enlarged heads instead of the metal fasteners. Holes are bored through the supports into the edges of the mirror frame and the pins inserted.

In Fig. 1 is also shown a very pretty round top table especially appropriate for holding flower vases, which when filled with bright flowers add so much to the cheerfulness of a rest room. It may also provide a convenient place to lay the occasional book that one may happen to be reading.

The top of the table is eighteen inches in diameter. The lower shelf is round like the top. The frame is formed by mortising the four top rails into the four square legs. Gains are cut in the legs to receive the lower shelf, dowels and glue being used to fasten the parts.

If we may digress we would call attention to the candle stick holder upon the wall. This is made of brass or copper and in this form is called a sconce. Such little pieces add much to the appearance of a room and are quite easily made. They give a touch of individuality to the whole, especially when the design of the decoration or ornamentation is original

with the owner or maker. In some future number of the Home Workshop we shall give directions for making some of these light arts and crafts metal pieces. The equipment required is extremely simple and it is quite possible the "weaker sex" members in the family of the home craftsman may find peculiar pleasure in assisting in the furnishing of the home or in the production of articles which shall bring a monetary return. Many interesting and useful pieces can be made of metal, such as trays, sconces, candle stick holders, sundials, umbrella stands, etc., etc.

To return to the woodwork, Fig. 2 is a sketch of a table that can be utilized to advantage in most any part of the house, but which is especially fitting for the bedroom. Good proportions would be top twenty inches wide by twenty-seven inches long. The height should be about thirty inches. The design calls for a double top. There is nothing unusual in the general construction.

In Fig. 3 is shown a cottage somno. In out of town places where it is not customary to have a bathroom and appurtenances connected with each bed-room, the somno is not only a convenience but a necessity. The accompanying design is an excellent counterpiece to the table of Fig. 2 and to the other pieces described herein.

The drawer of the somno provides a place for linen and the top a place for washing utensils. The lower compartment is to be made so as to form a tight enclosure, the sides and back being paneled with rails

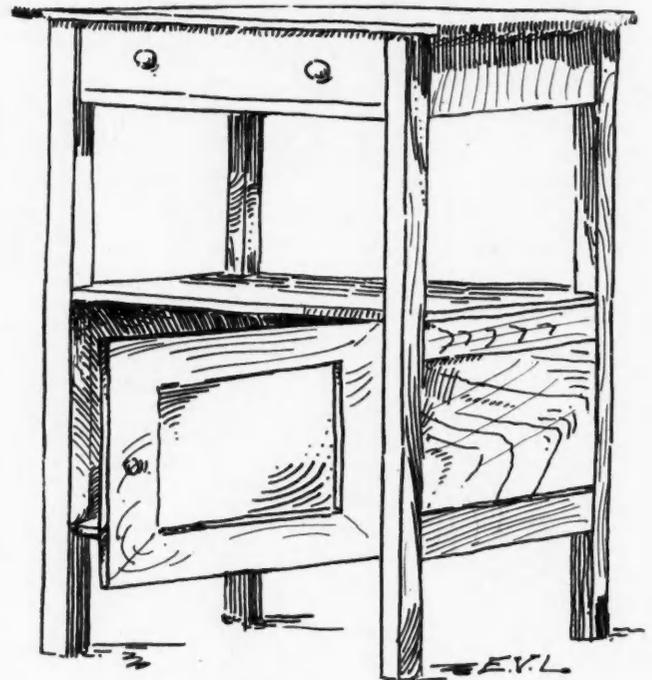


Fig. 3. Destrable for the Bedroom

securely mortised into the legs. Knobs for the paneled door and for the drawer should be got that will harmonize with those of the other pieces of the room—the round brass ones that were specified above would look well, or wrought iron fixtures would be appropriate.

The size of the somno is, top sixteen by twenty inches, height thirty inches.

In Fig. 4 are two other essential pieces for the sleeping apartment—the bed and mirror. The design of the bed illustrated is what is known as twin beds. Undoubtedly the most satisfactory arrangement of beds where two people are to occupy the same room, is to have individual beds. In this case the beds need to be about three feet wide each. This permits of separate bedding and thus obviates the disagreeable features of the double bed with one piece cover.

In many homes, however, especially in the cottage, the lack of room in which to place separate single beds and the added expense of keeping up separate bedding makes it advisable for the householder to make use of the old style double bed. To many such people, the desirability for the single beds is still recognized. They may find a compromise in which the head and foot parts of the two single beds are combined into one piece each, the middle post suggesting what they recognize as desirable, while the construction admits of

man of business to proclaim "out of season" and without excuse that he is honest.

The side rails are to be made with fasteners at the ends such that they can be easily detached from the foot and head. Tradition tells of an amateur who once made a bed, mortised and framed all of its parts together in his shop and otherwise completed it only to find he could not get it out of the shop door.

The necessity for the mirror, Fig. 4, will undoubtedly appeal to the ladies rather than to the men. As in the dresser, plain plate or beveled plate may be used for the glass. Eighteen by forty or fifty inches is a good size for the glass.

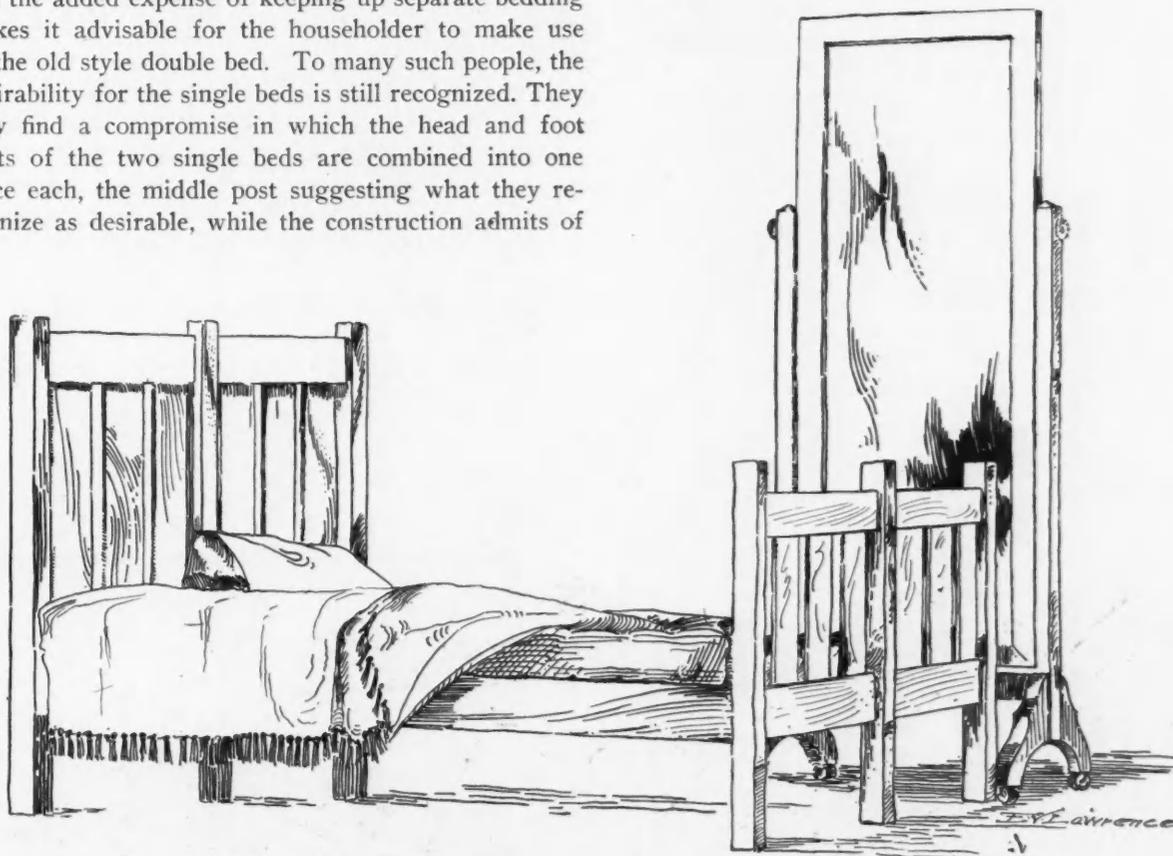


Fig. 4. Bed and Mirror in the Mission Style—Suitable for Hand Construction

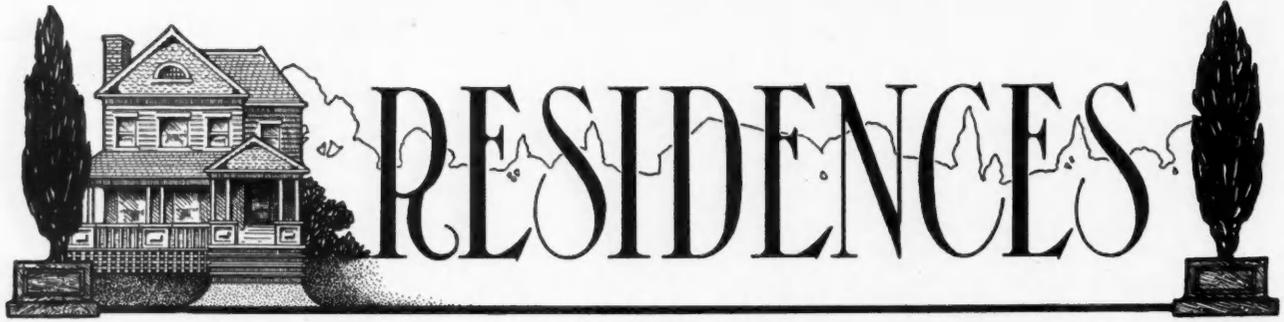
the advantages pertaining to the old style.

The parts of foot and head pieces ought to be mortised and tenoned and pinned. There is no occasion for trying to conceal the dowels which serve as pins. Since honesty is one of the fundamental things to be sought in craftsman furniture, the presence of the pin head is an indication of honest effort toward strength. There is no necessity for going to the extreme that one prominent and reputable furniture house goes—the pinning of all tenons. There is no occasion for pinning small tenons where great strength is not a necessity. To do so and to emphasize the presence of the pins on such occasions is not excusable from any point of view. Honesty in furniture, like honesty in anything else, is desirable and essential, but to "go out of your way" to call attention to your efforts to produce honest furniture is as reprehensible as for the

The supporting frame must be firmly fastened together. The curves of the feet may be cut with the turning saw and firmly fastened to the uprights. The weight of mirror will demand that metal fastenings be used as swing pivots. These can be got with ornamental heads. They must be placed above the center of weight, somewhat.

The builder of these pieces of furniture must decide what wood he wants to use in making them. Probably no wood is more easily obtained or gives more pleasing results when fashioned into furniture than oak. It is a low priced wood too, when compared with mahogany and other similar woods. Quarter-sawed white oak is preferable for furniture, though plain sawed is very appropriate for this style of furniture.

All the pieces which are built for the same room should be made from the same kind of wood.



## Bungalow and House Designs

PHOTOS AND FLOOR PLANS OF ATTRACTIVE LITTLE RESIDENCES THAT HAVE PROVED PRACTICAL AND SATISFACTORY—DETAILED STATEMENT OF COST

**W**E ARE showing this month the plans of a bungalow built by I. P. Hicks of Omaha, Neb., which, for convenience, style of architecture and genuine beauty of design, stands very high. It has large rooms, large closets, large pantry, large bath room, large reception hall, good wide porches, in fact it is a model plan for a bungalow. The main part of a bungalow is the first floor arrangement, not much in a general way being expected on the second floor. In this design, however, we have secured three large sleeping rooms with ample closet room on the second floor.

There is a grade entrance to the cellar under the

incidentally, may have the heating plant to look after a part of the time.

The pantry is very large, with a corner in it for the ice box or refrigerator, and is provided with an outside door so that the ice man can fill the box without going into the kitchen. The pantry shelving is enclosed with glass doors and fitted up in fine shape. The chamber on the first floor is exceptionally large and roomy, provided with an immense closet with a window for light and air, something essential for a real good closet.

The bath room is of a very good size, and is nicely located for convenience. The second story hall is



Artistic Bungalow, Having Three Rooms "Under the Roof"—Cost \$3,350, at Omaha

main stair landing, so that it is not necessary to go through any part of the house to get in and out of the cellar while disposing of ashes from the heating plant or in stocking up with vegetables for winter use. This entrance leads also to the main hall, so that one may enter the house that way if so desired. There is another entrance provided to the cellar from the kitchen, just to make it handy and convenient for the people who work in the kitchen and pantry, and who,

large and well lighted by the window in the stair landing, the large well hole and the double dormer in front of roof. With transoms in the doors leading to the chambers it makes it possible to get a very good ventilation in these second story rooms. There is a cellar or basement under the entire house divided up into boiler room, coal bins, vegetable cellar, basement toilet and a fine laundry room.

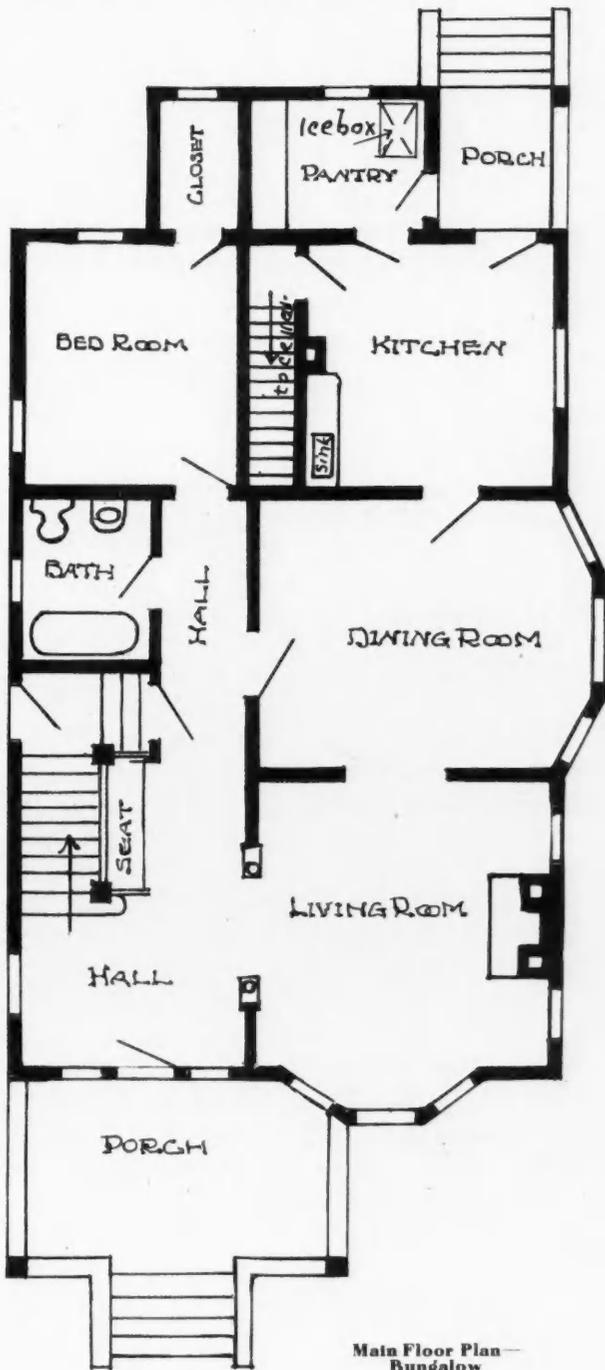
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tails, we will give the cost to build this house, showing how the figures are obtained.

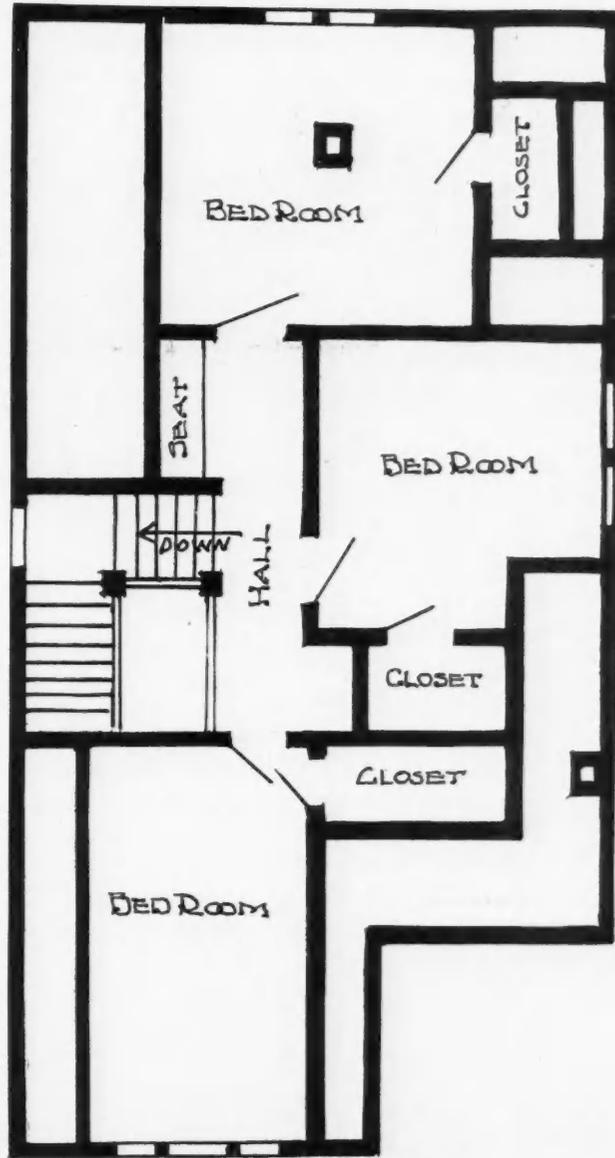
The reception hall, parlor and dining room are finished in plain red oak, balance of house in yellow pine.

**The Estimate**

Excavating, 260 yards at 25c.....	\$ 65.00
13,000 brick laid in foundation, \$12.....	156.00
2 Chimneys .....	80.00
Cellar cementing .....	55.00
Basement partitions .....	35.00
Doors in basement .....	30.00
Windows in basement .....	25.00
15 squares first floor oak finish all complete @ \$16 .....	2.40
5 squares first floor yellow pine finish @ \$10..	50.00



Main Floor Plan—Bungalow



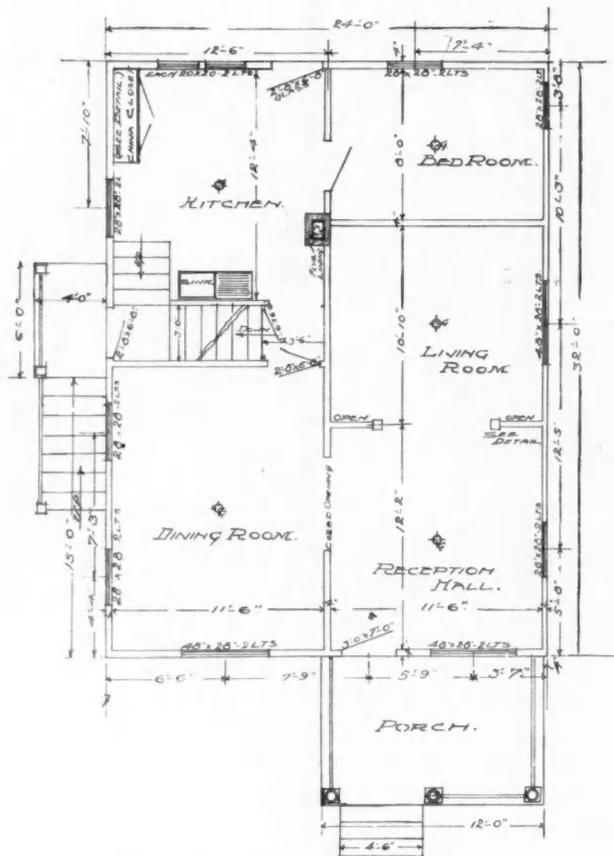
Second Floor Plan—Bungalow

15 squares second floor yellow pine finish @ \$10 .....	150.00
20 squares outside walls @ \$9.....	180.00
25 squares roof @ \$11.....	275.00
25 squares partitions @ \$4.....	100.00
Work on front porch and gable .....	50.00
Main cornice 170 feet @ 40c.....	68.00
Rear porch .....	15.00
Front door complete .....	26.00
Frame and side lights.....	12.00
9 window frames with sash and casings all complete @ 11.....	99.00
3 outside door frames, doors and casings @ \$12 .....	36.00
6 window frames, sash and casings.....	\$9 54.00
3 dormer frames with sash and casings ..	\$10. 30.00
1 cased opening with columns and pedestals..	40.00
1 cased opening.....	10.00
5 inside doors, oak finish @ \$12.....	60.00
9 inside doors, pine finish @ \$9.....	81.00
Work in pantry.....	40.00



Nine-Room Boarding and Rooming House at Gary, Ind.

Front stairs .....	\$ 80.00
Cellar stairs .....	25.00
Oak base .....	30.00
Pine base .....	40.00
Picture mold .....	10.00
Plastering .....	216.00
Painting .....	200.00



First Floor Plan—Boarding and Rooming House

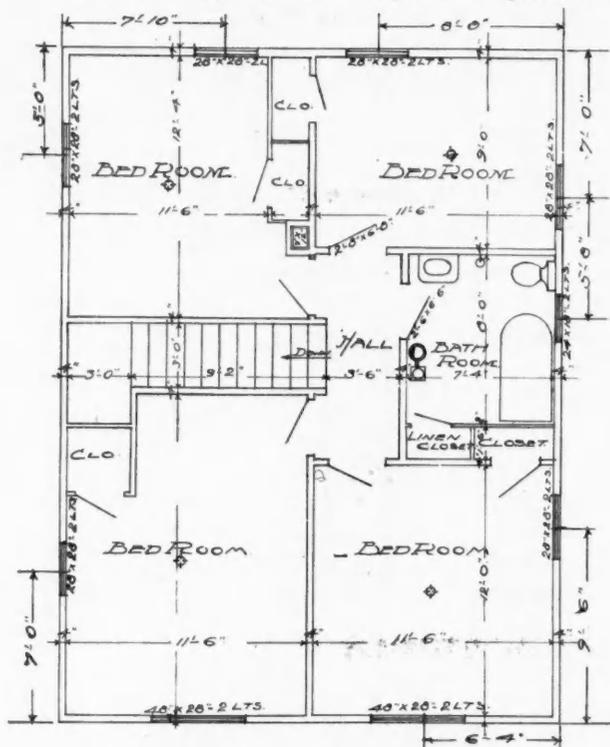
Plumbing .....	300.00
Heating (hot water) .....	310.00
Electric wiring .....	45.00

Tin work .....	60.00
Incidentals 5% .....	158.90
Total cost .....	\$3,336.90

**Satisfactory Boarding and Rooming House**

In connection with this we are showing the photo, floor plans and details of construction of a neat, nine-room house, designed by Mr. J. E. Hammons, of Gary, Ind., and intended for use as a small boarding and rooming house.

On the first floor is, first a square reception hall,



Second Floor Plan—Boarding and Rooming House

off of which to the left is the large well-lighted dining room. The kitchen is large, well equipped and conveniently located.

The second story is divided into four large bed rooms, each with closet. The bath room is centrally located. The striking feature of this design, adapting it to the purpose for which it was intended, is the outside stairway leading to the landing and the second floor. This landing is reached also from the kitchen.

**Something New**

Plans have recently been made for a country dwelling near New York, which will have disappearing partitions on the ground floor. The partitions will be operated by electricity, lowering them into the basements, thus giving an unobstructed floor space of the entire area. If this proves practical and architects and builders find the idea at all feasible, it may be quite an innovation to home builders.

The modern house with the ground floor practically unpartitioned, except with hangings, has its disadvan-

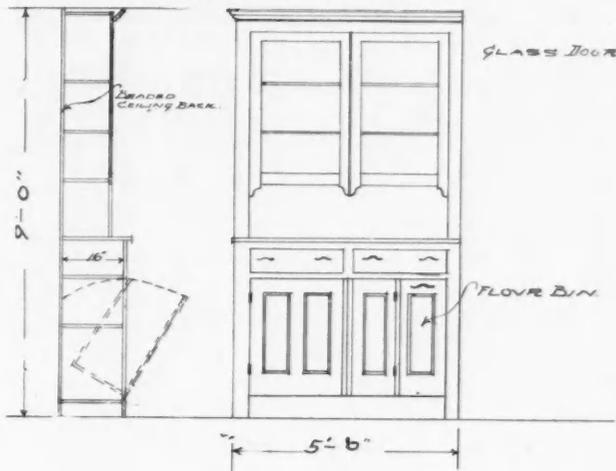
tages. The dining room opening into the parlor is not always desirable at meal time. It is almost impossible to make a business engagement or have a private interview with an outsider at home. Even if the family consents to repair to the upper story an untimely caller puts an end to further discussion. The old fashioned plan of chopping the ground floor into innumerable little halls and rooms was unsightly and unlivable. If a moderately priced home can be constructed which will be suited to the needs of entertaining, afford a comfortable dwelling place, and give the desired privacy at required terms, it will be a boon to the community at large. It is therefore, with a great deal of interest that this new experiment is being watched.

**A Luminous Clock**

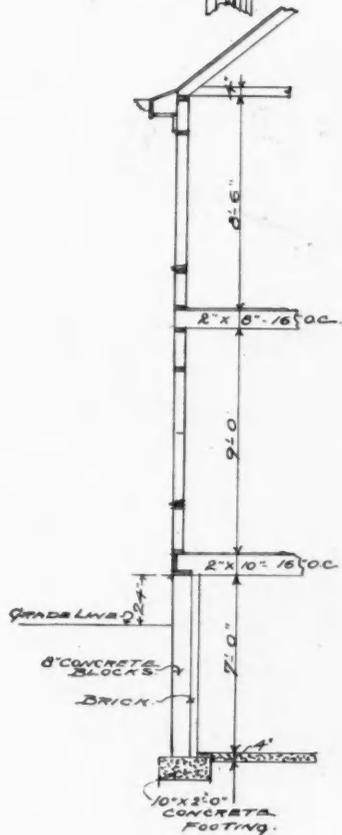
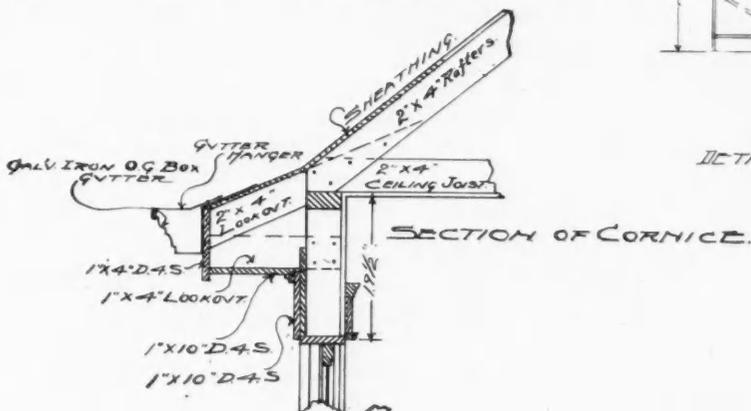
The Eiffel Tower in Paris is now being used for another practical purpose. On the sides of the second section, hundreds of feet above the ground, a luminous clock warns the gay Parisian of the passing span of

life. The apparatus flashes forth every minute in huge figures visible a great distance. This system was found the only practical one, as the ordinary clock dial would be indistinguishable at such a height.

A Mrs. Leggett ripped her sheath gown while running for a train in Pennsylvania. Any woman of that name should know more than to wear a dress built on the architectural plan of the directoire.



DETAIL & ELE. OF CHINA CUPBOARD.



Front Elevation—Boarding and Rooming House



# CEMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

## Cement Bungalow for Two

PRACTICAL DESIGN FOR A COZY LITTLE DWELLING OF REMARKABLE CHARM AND CONVENIENCE—  
ARRANGEMENT TO SECURE PRIVACY ON A CORNER LOT

By John Lawrence Heaton

**T**HE bungalow seems to be the favorite type of dwelling with those people who have money to spend upon whatsoever their fancy dictates. This type appeals to many undoubtedly because it has a reputation of being the "latest," just a little out of the ordinary. There are certain conditions, however, when the bungalow type serves its owners better than the usual two storied type of dwelling.

In connection with this is shown a floor plan that is especially suited to a young couple whose family needs require but one bedroom aside from the usual guest chamber. The rooms being all on one floor make it possible for the young wife to care for the house without the need of those unsatisfactory adjuncts, servants. In this day of simple living, or the desire for simple living, the fewer persons outside of the family there are, the better. There are no dreaded stairs to climb many times each day. Everything is

at hand so that a few steps on the same level brings them within reach. This arrangement ought also to appeal to the elderly couple who desire a cozy place in which to spend the remainder of their days after the children have left and the old home with its numberless rooms is no longer needed or desired.

The setting of this bungalow is rather unusual. Frequently, one finds himself possessed of a corner lot which has desirable frontage on each street. He does not wish to offend neighbors in either direction. This setting solves the problem, both streets being treated alike, the building having easy access from either. Privacy is obtained by means of two wings which extend from either side of the building almost to the street line. Along the walks are walls of shrubbery.

Cement walks lead to the front entrance. In front of this entrance and screening it from the public view is a bed of shrubbery. The edge of this bed is a low



Cozy Little Five-Room Bungalow of Cement—Walls and Shrubbbery Give Privacy

cement curb. The rear walk of cement, like the front one is readily accessible from either street; there is no unnecessary walking, no matter from which street one may approach.

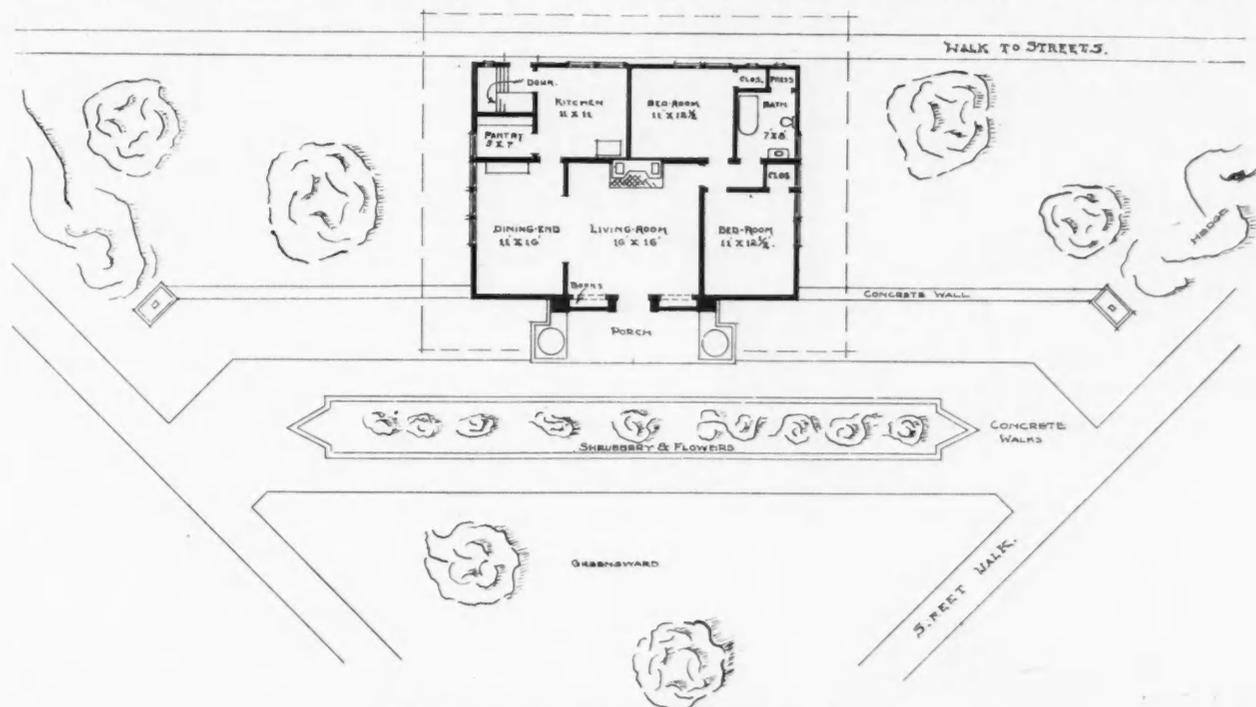
The floor of this bungalow is but one step removed from the ground, the object, as in the other arrangements, being to make for easy living.

The broad cement step is flanked on either side by massive pedestals. Upon these are vases that are filled in the summer time with bright flowers, green foliage and trailing vines. The roof hangs low; the eaves extend far and cover the cement platform which, banked by flowering vases on either side and shrub-

has three flues, one each for the fire-place, the kitchen range and the furnace.

The dining room is really a part of the living-room, the partition between being merely a suggestion of one to give to the interior a symmetrical arrangement. Below, it is paneled to correspond with the other walls of the living room. Above the paneling is an arched effect partly filled with art panels.

The bed-room arrangement is such as to permit of greater privacy than is usual in one floor plans. Entrance to the bath is private yet readily accessible from either bed-room or the living-room. Should any door be left open, as frequently happens, callers sitting in



Five-Room Cement Bungalow Arranged for Corner Lot

bery in front, forms a most inviting retreat as well as an entrance.

The walls of the building are of cement on wood lath. This cement is finished by rough troweling. The trimmings are of undressed lumber creosoted a deep brown. The roof is shingled. Such a design might well be made monolithic and fireproof. The floor could be reinforced and the partitions built of hollow tile. The roof could be of soft green tiling that would harmonize with the rest of the exterior. It might have its walls constructed of concrete blocks made without facings. The whole could be afterward plastered with cement so as to produce the effect shown in the photograph.

The entrance to the living-room is direct. The upper part of the door is of leaded plate with just a touch of color. The lines of this, as in all the other art glass, are horizontal or vertical, depending entirely upon the spacing for effect.

The fire-place is centrally placed and is intended for use. It is the main feature of the living-room. The chimney shows above the roof low and massive and

the living-room cannot see into these rooms. There are plenty of closets of good size, all of which are lighted and ventilated directly.

All windows are of the outward swinging casement type, set rather high—not so high but that one can see out when standing. They are grouped in fours for interior convenience as well as exterior effect.

There is a pantry convenient to kitchen and dining room. The basement needs to be excavated only under that part which is to become the furnace, fuel and wash rooms.

To the small family seeking comfort and convenience with the least expenditure of energy—yet wishing to be able to live well—these suggestions are offered.

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### Slight Mistake

"Oh," exclaimed the fair boarder, as a couple of calves scampered across the meadow. "What pretty little cowlets!"

"Yew air mistaken, ma'am," said the old farmer. "them's bullets."

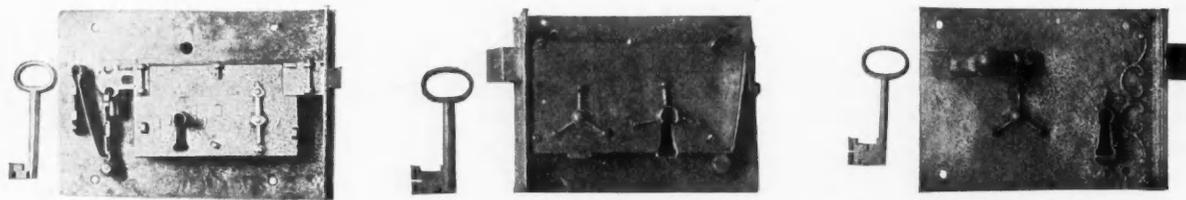
## Modern Builders' Hardware

ITS DEVELOPMENT IN MECHANISM AND DESIGN—IMPORTANCE OF HARDWARE IN MODERN BUILDING—METHOD OF "TAKING OFF" HARDWARE FROM PLANS

"NEVERTHELESS it does move," said Galileo, referring to the earth; and if that old Italian should step today into a well-equipped hardware establishment, and should examine the line of modern builders' hardware—comparing it with the offerings of former times—he would surely have to repeat, "Yes, she certainly does move!" The writer (without presuming to claim identity, nor even relationship, with that famous astronomer) noted the remarkable development and improvement, himself, not long ago, when, at the invitation of the Stebbins

if the contractor had his way—a cheap, characterless line of cast iron or stamped metal was furnished, to the future torment and disgust of the owner's wife; or, if the owner had his way, rising up in rebellion and insisting upon sturdy hardware, of design and finish suited to the needs of each room—the contractor lost money on the job.

But those times are past, or are rapidly passing; and it is well! Consider the place, in the finish of a house, held by builders' hardware; the whole effect and appearance of a room, otherwise good, may be

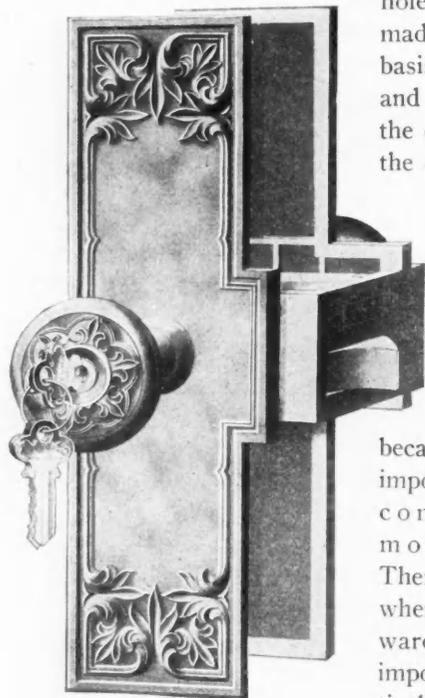


16th Century Hand-Forged Locks—Locks Weigh 16 Pounds Each—Size 10 by 15 Inches

Hardware Company, of Chicago, he was enabled to examine the complete line of builders' hardware put out by the P. and F. Corbin Company.

The most striking feature, to the layman, the non-builder, was the display of some old sixteenth century hand-forged iron door locks, brought from Heeswijk Castle, in North Holland; these, placed beside the newest improved bronze Unit lock, having the key-

hole in the knob, made an interesting basis for comparison, and showed forcibly the development from the old to the new.



The Modern "Unit" Lock

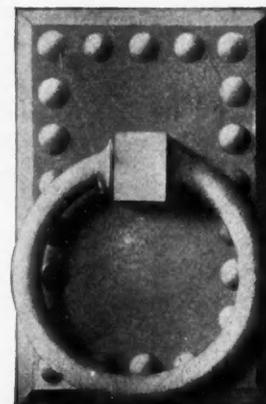
The contractor and architect, however, were vitally interested in all the modern builders' hardware, of and for itself, because of the very important place it has come to occupy in modern building. There was a time when builders' hardware was of so little importance that practically no thought was given the subject at

spoiled when capped off by incongruous fixtures; on the other hand, door knob and escutcheon, cabinet hinges and fastenings, and various other metal work, if properly chosen, add just the touch of richness needed to complete the effect.

Realizing this, the manufacturers have spared no pains to design builders' hardware to harmonize with all the schools of ornament in architecture, ancient and modern; they range from the severely plain Colonial and classic Greek to the flamboyant exaggeration of the last stages of the Rococo. Grecian, Roman, Moorish, Flemish, Gothic and Elizabethan ornament, art of the Renaissance and L'Art Nouveau have been drawn upon.

### What Finish to Choose

The selection of proper finishes of hardware to best suit the various kinds of woodwork has become a perplexing problem. As in everything else where ornament and color are involved, the selection is purely a matter of individual taste, there being no set of rules to govern a choice except the generally recognized rules of harmony and contrast. It is always safe in selecting the finish of hardware, to adopt that which is near the color of the woodwork as possible, or directly opposite. For instance, with the light domestic woods, such as oak, ash or pine, if used in their natural state, the plain brass or bronze hardware without any surface finish

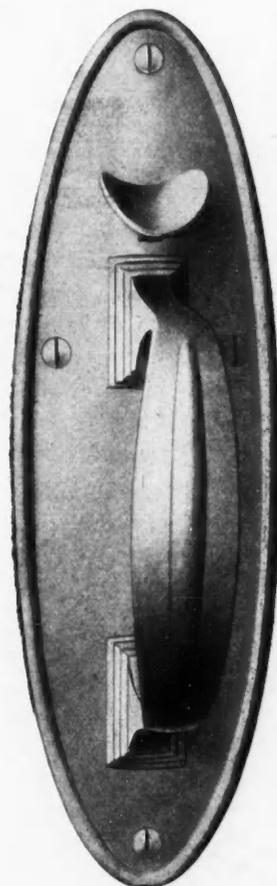


Door Knocker  
Arts and Crafts Design

all; a small sum was lumped on at the end of a contract to cover "locks, hasps, hinges and necessary hardware fixtures, all to be of substantial quality and of design approved by the owner;" then—

is most appropriate, although the lighter shades of oxidized brass may be used to good effect.

With oak, treated in what is generally known as red oak, antique oak or Flemish oak, the writer would advocate the use of the light or dark finishes of oxidized brass or plain natural



Door Latch—  
Pure Colonial

to every style of building construction.

#### System of "Taking Off" Hardware

Although the architect may have specified all the hardware very carefully, it still remains for the contractor to figure the cost—if he would be on the safe side of the contract—and then be prepared to furnish the goods. To do this he should make out an itemized schedule, guided by the plans and specifications. The following is that part of the prize winning article—in a contest recently held by the P. & F. Corbin Company—which tells how to make schedules of hardware from plans and specifications of buildings:

The schedule should be compiled from the plans and specifications for the building. Make an accurate copy of hardware specifications, and read carefully the carpenter specifications, making note of such items as concern the hardware.

With dark imported woods, such as mahogany, three finishes have been used—gold, light silver and plain natural bronze. A new departure, which is really a revival from Colonial days, is the use of cut glass for door knobs; this makes a beautiful effect with mahogany or walnut. For enameled woods, whether in white, gray or pearl, gold or light silver finishes are most used; and are certainly in most excellent taste.

Occasionally now the architect states very carefully in plans and specifications just what all the hardware is to be; very often, at the request of the owner, its selection is left to the contractor. If you would produce a satisfactory piece of work—even though some economy is necessary—do not economize on the hardware items. And do not be content with the same old patterns and fixtures you have been using for a dozen years; there are new designs now, adapted to every finish and

The drawings should be carefully studied until you are familiar with the building, its general lay-out, the arrangement of the rooms and for what they are intended.

Begin with the basement, and take off each floor in succession, ending with the attic. Take off the exterior doors first, making note of those having transoms, commencing with front and working to the right until all are taken. Take off the exterior doors, making note of those having transoms, commencing at a certain point on the front and working to the right until all are taken.

Take off the number of closets and rooms requiring coat and hat hooks.

Take off the cabinets, commencing at a certain point in front and working to the right as before.

Take off the exterior windows, commencing on front and working to right as before. Take off interior windows, if any. Take off skylights and scuttles. Take off stair rail brackets.

In taking off hardware the following details should be noted:

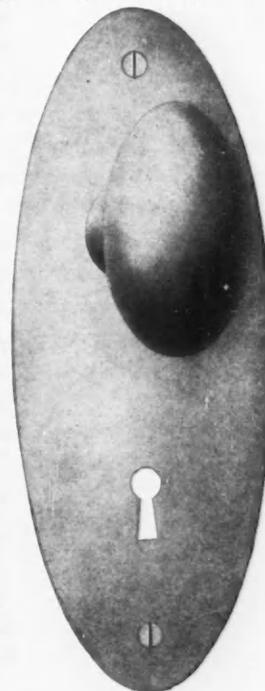
*Single Hinged Doors.*—Thickness and hand, and size of butts necessary to clear trim.

*Double Hinged Doors.*—Thickness and hand, height, and if doors are rabbeted, bevel or flat, and size of butts necessary to clear finish. In taking off hinged doors, care should be taken that they be scheduled to show into which room the door swings. As for example, a door between bath and bed room and swinging into bath room, should be scheduled as "door, bed room to bath."

A door requiring a split trim should have butts and lock front to match finish of room into which the door swings.

*Sliding Doors.*—Single or double, width of opening, thickness, width of stile, and if doors require flat or astragal locks.

*Double Acting Doors.*—Thickness and width of stile, and size of bottom rail when kick plates are to be used.



Puritan Design, Dull Brass  
Finish—Very Rich



Graceful Flower Motif  
Bronze Finish

*Transoms.*—Thickness, height from floor to center of transom. State if hinged top or bottom, or hung on centers. See details and note if special arms are required.

*Cabinets.*—Get complete details and note the following: In case of doors, slate thickness and hand, width of stile, and if flat or rabbeted locks are required, double or single, and size butts necessary to clear finish. In case of drawers, state width and thickness and drop required for locks.

*French Windows and Casement Windows.*—Get complete details and state thickness, hand, height, width and form of stiles, kind of lock front required,

and whether the windows swing in or out.

*Windows in Box Frames.*—Thickness, width of bottom rail, and note detail of meeting rails.

*Miscellaneous.*—Such items as coat and hat hooks, base knobs, window pulleys, window-stop adjusters, rail brackets, etc., should be scheduled as miscellaneous.

When plans or specifications are not understood, where openings are not provided for, or details not clear, or when plans and specifications conflict, you should make note of same as you proceed with the work, and when you have finished taking off the plan, submit these items to the architect for his decision.

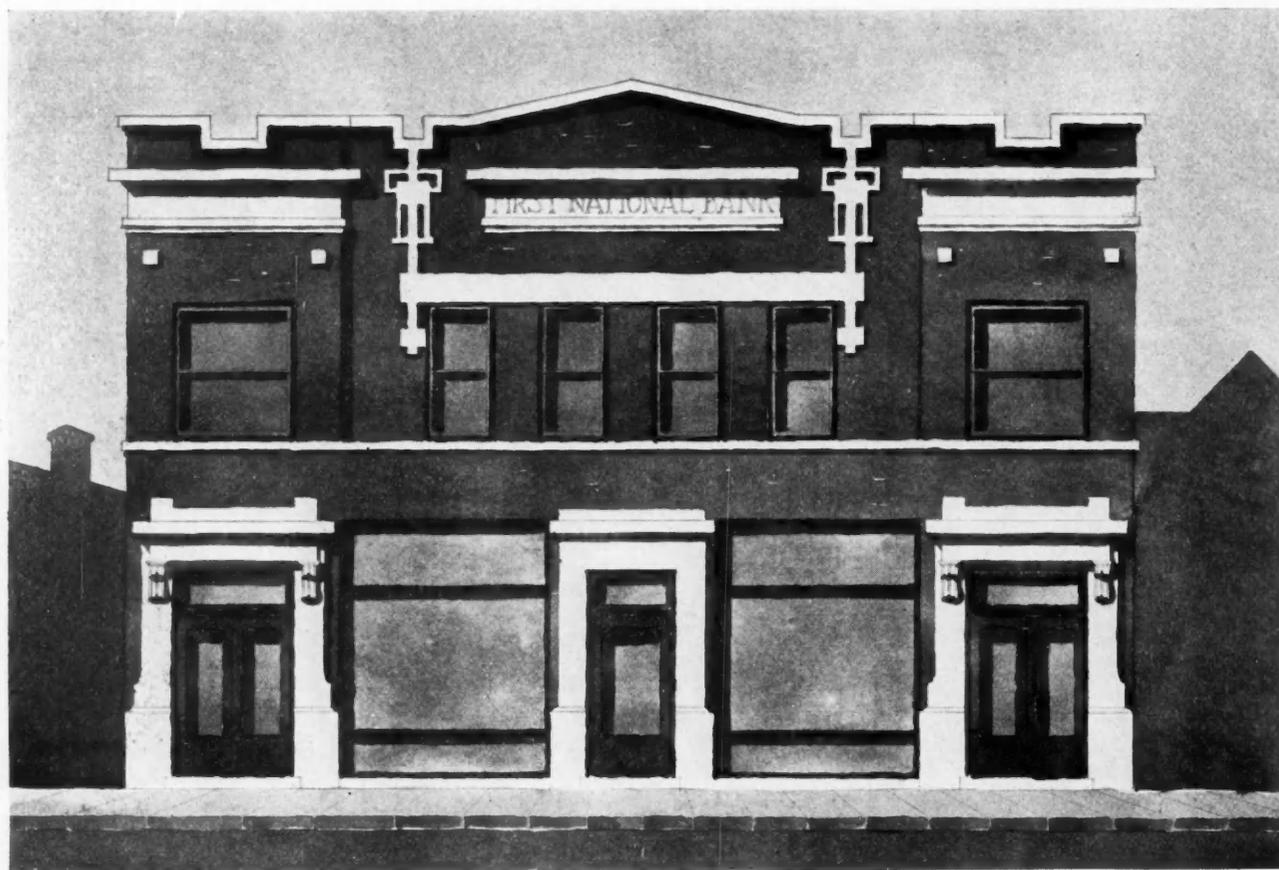
## Village Bank and Store Building

PERSPECTIVE AND FLOOR PLANS OF A MODERN WELL-DESIGNED COMBINATION BANK AND STORE BUILDING WITH FLATS ABOVE

IT HAS been said that the prosperity of the nation is dependent on, and is indicated by, the prosperity of the farmer. In olden times, the farmer's prosperity was gauged by the number of his cattle and by the size and condition of his barns. In recent times, however, he has emerged into the real financial world as a money saver and owner, and so has become a mighty factor in banking circles. With this development, naturally, the village bank has grown in importance and in number.

The design by G. W. Ashby, architect, which we present herewith, is one that is especially well adapted to the needs of a banking building for town or hustling village. It combines on the first floor a modern banking establishment and a large well-lighted store; while above, on the second floor, two nice five-room flats are provided. The whole makes a trim little building, at once attractive and dignified.

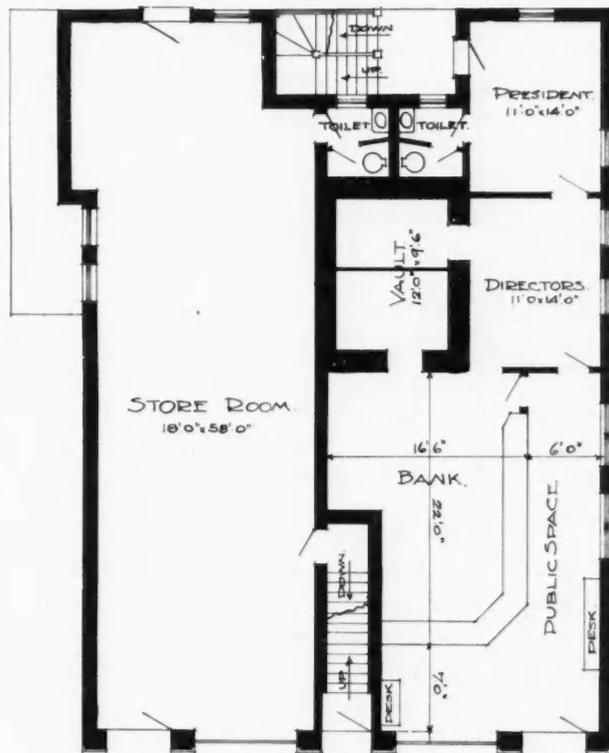
The material of the exterior is buff pressed brick with trimmings of Bedford stone. The floor plans,



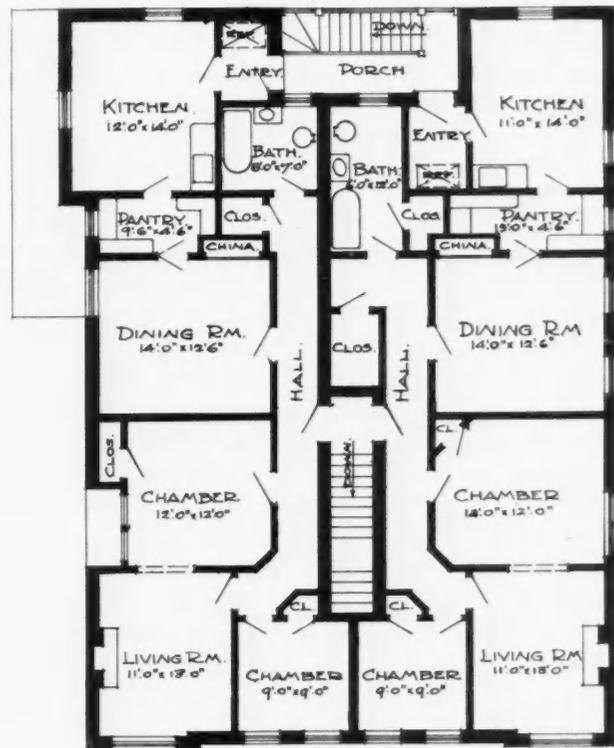
Combination Bank and Store Building—Dignified and Businesslike in Appearance

which are here produced, show the good features of modern, convenient arrangement. They need little

however, are likely to step in before such a limit is reached, for on a 200 square foot plot this 2,000 foot



First Floor—Bank and Store Building



Second Floor Flats—Bank and Store Building

explanation, being clearly drawn to scale.



### Skyscrapers May be Too Tall

A building expert well known throughout the country in a recent paper read before the Institute of Architects states that New York will never have an office building one mile high in spite of all the talk to that effect. Under the present building code the limit of height of any building is absolutely fixed at 2,000 feet or about two-fifths of a mile and in the view of the present outcry against the latest freak buildings it would seem that investors will not hastily put money into much larger buildings than the present ones until it has been demonstrated that they can be made profitable.

Geologists state that there is one sufficient reason why New York will never have any of the mile-high buildings that are predicted for the next century as the city does not rest on a too firm basis. Beyond a certain point it will be absolutely impossible to rest additional weight on account of the danger of the lower strata, which composes the island of Manhattan, from sinking into the sea.

The limit of this weight it has just been figured out amounts to a foundation pressure of the enormous amount of fifteen tons to the square foot. On a building lot 200 feet square, which is about the limit in the already crowded downtown district, this will mean a maximum height of 2000 feet. Beyond this the very nature of the city's base will call a halt. Other factors,

high edifice would cost \$60,000,000. It would weigh, according to present estimate, 516,000 tons or more than twice the tonnage of the present navy. Moreover, the wind pressure on any one of its walls would be more than 6,000 tons. Altogether, such a monstrosity is made almost impossible by its physical limitations and it hardly seems probable that any New York skyscraper will ever exceed 1,000 feet, provided, of course, that the present building laws are not so restricted as to make the toothpick office building out of the question.



### Advertising

Does advertising pay? Well, I should say it does! Last week a Bement, Illinois, merchant advertised fresh dairy butter for sale. The compositor substituted an "h" for a "d" and the ad read "Fresh Hairy Butter for Sale." A smart barber called up the grocer and offered to shave the butter at standard rates. The grocer got mad and licked the barber, breaking his nose and otherwise disfiguring him so that he was compelled to call upon the doctor, who charged him a tenner for the services rendered. The next day the barber met the editor on the street and threw a brick at him, giving him a close shave. In his effort to get away the pen pusher fell down, tearing his trousers on the west side so badly that he was necessitated to buy a new pair; also the editorial shears, which were in his hip pocket, penetrated his anatomy so that the services of a surgeon were required. And all the result of one little ad. Who asked, "Does it pay to advertise?"

## Principles of Heat Engineering

A PAPER READ BEFORE THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF HEATING AND VENTILATING ENGINEERS—STRAIGHT TALK FOR HEATING CONTRACTORS CONCERNING HEAT INSTALLATIONS

By J. D. Hoffman

THE science, if such it may be called, of heating and ventilating engineering, is one that is founded almost completely upon the laws of thermodynamics. It is not what one might call an exact science; but, in its rational design and application, the engineer may work with a reasonable degree of exactness. Most of the points of interest in the subject may be theoretically developed; yet, as in all branches of engineering design, some parts require theory modified by good judgment and the personal equation of the designer. In such cases experimental data, found by tests upon similar apparatus, are not only good things to apply as checks, but at times are absolutely necessary because of the lack of any rational information on that part of the subject. Fortunately, such cases are the exception rather than the rule, for with the properly applied principles of thermodynamics there is scarcely any part of the subject which it not possible of rational solution.

Because of the fact, however, that some features of the work are as yet experimental and not as definitely understood as they should be, this is no reason why those who install heating and ventilating apparatus should disregard *all* laws and feel justified in installing a job that is empirical in all its parts, and one which shows scarcely any of the earmarks of theoretical investigation. The time has surely come when it may be demanded of all men who install such apparatus that they follow closely to fundamental principles and be prepared to furnish proof for any step taken in their work.

### The Letting of Contracts

Contracts for heating and ventilating apparatus usually are let in one of the four following ways: (a) Some person, called for convenience the *dealer contractor*, draws up a rough layout of the work, guarantees to install satisfactory apparatus for a stated amount of money, buys his apparatus from the manufacturer, installs it according to his own personal ideas, or according to the plans laid down by the manufacturers, and in a general way guarantees it to give good service; (b) a manufacturing firm draws up a plan and contracts to install, for a stated amount of money, satisfactory apparatus, usually made by the same company, guaranteeing its successful operation; (c) a responsible engineer is retained, who draws up plans and specifications for the work, and, upon competitive bids, the successful contractor installs the apparatus in accordance with these plans and specifications, the engineer being the judge of the quality of the work and materials; (d) a responsible engineer designs the system and assumes all the responsibility in its erection,

looking toward a certain required output or result. Materials are purchased in the open market and installed to his satisfaction, and after completion, if the final tests are acceptable, the purchaser pays the bills and takes charge of the completed plant. The last method is not much used in heating and ventilating installation as yet, being confined largely to power and manufacturing plants where a certain definite output of finished material is desired, and will not be further discussed; methods (a) and (b) being applicable to small installations and (c) to larger and more important ones.

### Residence Heating by Furnace

Of all the uncertain and *rule-of-thumb* installations, probably the furnace heating of residences can claim the greatest share. Competition among the furnace manufacturers has been so great that we have the country flooded with furnaces ranging in quality from good to positively bad. In order to place the furnaces, it has been the desire, and this is a legitimate one, to simplify construction, to remove features not absolutely necessary, to cheapen manufacture, and in many cases so to rate the furnace that the claims could be realized only under the best conditions of installation, such as would be expected under test conditions and not under conditions as found in average service. Of the above-mentioned points, the last one should not obtain in any case, since a furnace should be so rated as to realize its claim even under somewhat unfavorable conditions and the other points should hold good only in so far as not to develop an inferior type of furnace.

In addition to what has been said about the furnace, it is also true that the furnace manufacturer has been *so busy cheapening his product and placing orders* which he has been selling to Smith, Jones and Brown to install according to their own notions of engineering work, that he has not had time to investigate the engineering reputation of Smith, Jones and Brown to see if they would probably bring credit to his firm, nor has he had time to keep his own finger upon the pulse of the job to see if the plant is working well after it is installed. This apparent indifference of the manufacturer to the final results is probably the greatest source of trouble, and is that which gives color to the public mind and decides the buyer against furnace heat, because, as he has some right to argue, "Furnace plants are usually installed so as to make them inferior and defective, consequently the system is in itself defective. It is fast becoming a fact that the correct furnace job is the exception rather than the rule, and some remedy should be applied very soon. The fault is not in the

system. Furnace heating, if properly installed, is healthful, cheap and scientific. Neither can it be said that the fault all rests with the manufacturer. The purchaser is to a certain degree to blame, in that he is willing to let the contract to any one who cuts to the lowest price regardless of the quality of the man who takes the contract or of the apparatus which he represents. In certain localities it has become almost impossible for a man of reputation and integrity to obtain a contract, because he expects to live up to the "full intent and meaning" of the contract, and proposes to stay with his work until it is fully satisfactory, regardless of cost. Such a man usually presents an estimate that is sometimes considered high when compared to some others, but when the expense of changes and repairs is taken into account it would in many cases be the cheaper proposition.

It does seem unfortunate that there are men in the business who are in it *exclusively for the dollars*, and care little as to the results. If such men were held strictly to the satisfactory fulfillment of the contract, even though it were to the substitution of an entirely new system, there would be less careless and haphazard bidding, and part of the troubles at least would be remedied.

#### Relation of Heating Contractor to Architect

Another phase of the heating business which is a frequent source of annoyance and error is the relation of the heating engineer or the contractor installing such work to the architect. The house plans are usually made without the consideration of heating; the heating plans are then supposed to be made to fit the house plans. Now what the average architect does not know about the heating business would fill many books, but his own private opinion of his own worth in such matters is highly satisfactory, and consequently there is set up a different viewpoint between the designer of the building and the designer of the heating apparatus, much to the discomfort of the latter and to the detriment of his work in many cases. To be just to both, the system of heat should be selected first and then allowances should be made in the building plans for its installation. This is no hardship to the architect, since many slight changes, any one of which would possibly be in favor of the heating engineer, may be made in his plans without causing any trouble. Some of these points may be mentioned as follows: The size and location of the chimney; the running of the cellar partition walls to accommodate the location of the furnace and the coal bin; the height of the basement ceiling to allow sufficient inclination of the leader pipes; the construction of the partition walls between the rooms to allow for riser pipes of sufficient size to heat large upstairs rooms; the planning of the walls to avoid horizontal runs of heat ducts in the second floor to reach a room otherwise inaccessible; and other points.

All heating engineers know that the range of loca-

tion of a furnace relative to the house plan is very limited, and that in many cases it is an absolute necessity, after the house plan is completed, to set the furnace out of this desired location, thus compromising the efficiency of the system; also, that the basement ceiling in many cases is so low that the leaders require to be run nearly horizontal, thus reducing the draft in them; also, that a 6 inch studded wall in many cases could easily have been substituted for the 4 inch, with little additional cost, and have improved the system immensely; also, that certain walls absolutely prohibit the running of stacks to the desired spot in the room, and that with a slight change, this could have been arranged without in any way injuring the architect's plans. Such in brief are some of the troubles that the conscientious heating engineer or contractor faces when he proposes to do his work after the building plans have received the O. K. of the architect.

#### The Owner Interferes

Finally, however, the purchaser himself occasionally offers objections to the proper design of the system because of the desire to economize, although false economy it may prove to be in the end. Occasionally one hears the advice, "Don't heat the chamber rooms on the second floor very warm, because I like a cold sleeping room"—advice which, if heeded, would be good nine times in ten, but the tenth time when it is needed, it is needed badly, and the system and the man who installed it are both censured. How much better to have made the job right at first and permit the owner to regulate the damper to suit his needs, even to closing it entirely. The only word that could be spoken against this way of doing things is because of the very small increase in first cost; on the other hand, the favorable comment would be: "A system that is correct and one that *will heat* if you want it to." Good advice to all men installing residence heating systems is, "Heat every room as though it were to be used as a living room, and let the owner regulate to suit his needs."

#### Residence Heating by Hot Water and Steam

Not so much can be said about the failures in *hot water and steam systems*, because, as a rule, they are planned with greater care and by men better qualified to do the work. However, of all the difficulties experienced in both systems, by far the greater part can be charged to the hot water work. This is to be expected, when one remembers how very small is the motive force causing circulation in the water and how easily this may be counteracted by small pipes, many short turns or improper laying. Short cut rules for proportioning radiation are, also, in too frequent use even by those well grounded in the subject, and from whom could be demanded a more rational course. Residence heating by hot water and steam is fairly well standardized, and if designed from fundamental

laws and principles, and installed with care and good judgment, should in every case give good results. Some of the points wherein these systems give trouble are as follows: Chimneys too small; heater or boiler too small; heater or boiler too far from chimney; heater or boiler set too high, thus giving too little pitch to the main piping; mains too small, thus killing the flow of the water and steam, also bringing the water line of the boiler too near the level of the lowest radiation; radiation too small and improperly placed, and other minor points.

The architect is responsible for the location and capacity of the chimney, and, in a degree, to the location of the heater or boiler, for, as he plans the basement, the heating apparatus must be located to suit. Many chimneys are poorly located and are of improper size, and when the heater or boiler does not fire well the responsibility of the architect in the matter is seldom thought of, and the censure is placed upon the shoulders of the man who installed the heating apparatus. This feature of the work is where the heating engineer can do some missionary work in the line of architectural design. The other points mentioned are directly chargeable to the man who designs the heating system, and there is little excuse for his mistakes. All should know that the surface of mains and branches should be counted as radiation surface, and that the efficiency of the heater or boiler is somewhat reduced after having been in service for a time. Because of this latter point, a selection would be made having a capacity about 25 per cent greater than the total radiation found. When such a generator is properly set, all pipes in the system will have a satisfactory fall, the minimum height of circuit will be sufficient to cause a good circulation, and the pipes will be so proportioned and attached as to avoid short circuiting or water hammer. Too small mains on a steam system have a tendency to force the water on the return end back into the radiators and cause "flooding." All of the above points, and still others that might be named, will stand as a credit or discredit to the designer.

#### **The Heating Engineer and the Contractor**

In installations calling for a large expenditure of money, the heating engineer is usually called in to draw up the plans and specifications, and the contract for purchasing and installing the same is usually given to a separate party. This has the advantage of obtaining the complete layout of the plant with the apparatus specified by a party who is in a position to give an unbiased opinion, and also the advantage of obtaining a low estimate on installation because of the competitive bids. This system seems to be a very satisfactory one, all things considered, and probably gives the best results to the purchaser. It is not, however, entirely free from abuses. It is assumed that the party retained to do the engineering work will do his work conscientiously and scientifically, and that

when done each part will correlate to the other parts and all will work in harmony and without loss of efficiency. This means that the designer himself should understand his subject and should be able at any time to give facts and figures on every part of the work. He should also have his plans and specifications complete in all parts and stated in plain and definite language, so that the contractor will understand every part and not be compelled to assume conditions which in the end may be erroneous.

#### **Uncertainty of Plans and Specifications**

No uncertainty should enter into any part of the contractor's work, either as to quality and make of materials, or as to the way in which such materials are to be installed. Of course, there are many features of the work which may be left open to the discretion of the contractor, and these should not be arbitrarily stated. Such parts as the smaller details of the piping system, for example, where the cutting of the various parts may not in the least affect the efficiency of the plant, and where purposely omitting the same in the specifications and plans will give some latitude and satisfaction to the contractor in his work. These and other minor points are best not specified. The great trouble, however, with plans and specifications is not as to their exactness even to every little unnecessary detail, but as to the *lack of exactness concerning important points*. When the contractor may reasonably make more than one interpretation of any certain part, it is naturally to his interest to take such view of the case as will carry out the letter of the contract at the least possible expense. This may not be to the best interest of the purchaser, but such procedure should not be wholly charged to the contractor.

#### **Know What You Are Doing**

The final word of caution that this paper wishes to extend probably does not apply to any member of this organization, but it does apply in many cases to men in like occupations with yourself. The keynote is struck in the preceding paragraph and may be paraphrased in the following: "The engineer attacking any important problem should first become thoroughly familiar with the principles involved in its solution, and should afterwards check his results wherever possible." This point was emphasized to the writer in a test recently run upon a heating and ventilating plant in a certain building used for auditorium purposes. The trouble in this plant seemed to be not the one usually found—*i. e.*, cutting the parts to a minimum size and capacity—but rather the reverse; this will be seen by only one item out of a number which might be used for the benefit of illustration.

The auditorium, which was exposed on two sides, contained 225,692 cubic feet of volume, and was designed to accommodate 1,350 persons, thus requiring, we may say, a total of 2,430,000 cubic feet of fresh air per hour. Allowing the outside temperature to

be zero and the temperature of the auditorium air to be 65 degrees F., the total heat loss, including that thrown away with the air, was found by calculation to be 3,072,875 B. t. u. per hour, which gave by calculation 2,375 square feet or 7,125 lineal feet of one inch coil surface in the indirect heater. When the coil surface was measured after the test, it was found to contain 14,612 lineal feet, or a little more than twice the calculated amount! One reason for the test was the fact that a large part of the coil surface had been shut off soon after installation and never used afterward; and it was supposed the system was not well proportioned. Other parts of the plant also seemed to show the same lack of rational design.

What has just been stated concerning this one plant is true of too many plants about the country. If the business we represent is to rank high among other lines of engineering work, it is the duty of every man to discourage such methods, and insist upon a higher standard.



### Second Annual Cement Show

The result of the recent letter ballot upon the question of the most suitable time for holding the Second Annual Cement Show in Chicago was as follows:

21.2 per cent favored December.

13.6 per cent favored January.

44 per cent favored February.

21.2 per cent favored March.

Practically all the exhibitors at the First Annual Cement Show sent in votes and a large number of others interested in the exhibition submitted their ballots. In accordance with the expressed wishes of the largest number, the management of the show has chosen the date in February, having leased the Coliseum for February 18-24.

The date chosen, it is believed, will prove very satisfactory coming as it does just prior to the opening of the cement season. Although application blanks and diagrams of the floor space have not yet been prepared, applications for reservations of space from prospective exhibitors are being sent in in large numbers.

The show last year was the first effort of the Cement Products Exhibition Co. at holding a show and it came at a period when the business outlook was so positively disheartening that many concerns were extremely loath to give the enterprise their support. But in spite of this the exhibition was far more satisfactory both to the exhibitors and spectators than any previously held. The show was conducted along business lines and the manner in which the arrangements were carried out met with the uniform approval of all concerned. The show was widely advertised and no effort or expense was spared by those behind the undertaking.

For the coming show unusually elaborate and comprehensive preparations are being made to interest not only those directly connected with the cement trade, but the general public as well. The future of the in-

dustry depends to a very large extent upon public opinion; and not until people generally can be educated to favor and to use concrete, will the cement industry occupy the place which it should properly hold.

The underlying idea of the Chicago show is to teach those who know something about cement construction more, and to teach those who know nothing about cement something. A cement show should not be conducted entirely for the purpose of bringing direct business to the exhibitors but it should be an industrial demonstration that will create universal interest in cement and its innumerable uses.



### Largest Contract for Cement

The Atlas Portland Cement Company has been awarded the contract to furnish 4,500,000 barrels of cement to the Isthmian Canal Commission, at a cost of about \$5,500,000, the largest single contract ever given out in the Portland cement business in its entire history. The cement is to be used on the Panama canal, for which this company has already furnished upward of 100,000 barrels in the course of its construction to date.

The Atlas Company was the lowest bidder throughout, American and foreign mills alike being underbid, and the award of the contract came as no surprise.

The award of this contract marks a new era for the Portland cement industry. Had this order been given ten years ago, no mill or combination of mills could have filled the order. The industry has grown during the last few years at such a remarkable rate that the total amount required for this work is only a fraction of the yearly output of the successful bidder.

The contract provides that delivery shall begin in December, the shipments at a minimum rate of 2,000 barrels a day and a maximum of 10,000 barrels.



### Gosh Dern

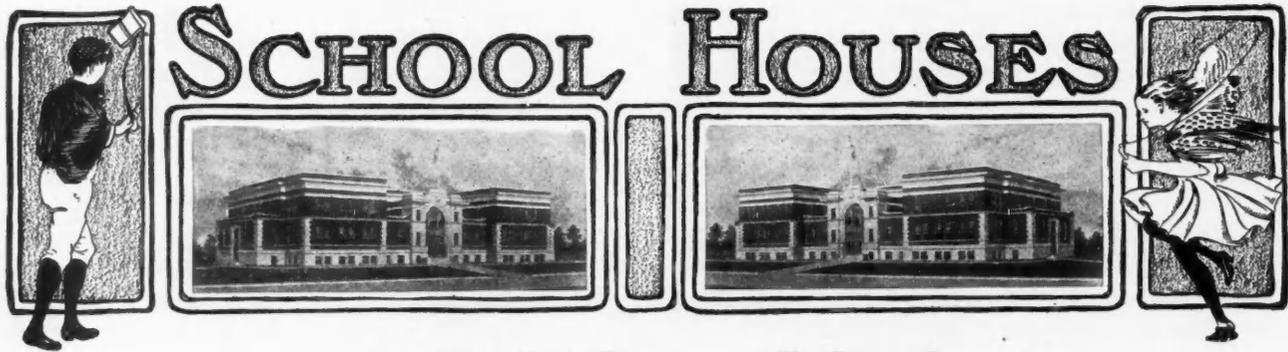
Out in Missouri Johnny Gosh and Jenny Dern were married a few days ago. The local editor, in his account of the wedding, could not resist the temptation to head it "Gosh-Dern!" but he has been hiding out in the desert and living on cactus and sand ever since in preference to facing the blustering bride and the irate husband.



### Out of Place

Mrs. McSwat—Billinger, how did you like the decorations at the church this morning?"

Mr. McSwat—All the decoration I could see, Lobella, were worn by the young woman in front of me. I liked the grand sweep of the brim, the floral display and the general arrangement of the ribbons, but I thought the dead bird looked out of place."



## An Eight-Room School

PERSPECTIVE AND FLOOR PLANS OF AN ATTRACTIVE, NICELY ARRANGED SCHOOL BUILDING—  
GOOD FEATURES POINTED OUT

**T**HE eight-room school building here presented was designed by G. W. Ashby, architect, for erection in a southern city. It embodies a number of desirable features which make for economy of construction and convenience in use.

In outward appearance it is plain, without fussy fancy work; yet the proportions are such that the

making a very safe arrangement in case of panic or fire. The floor plans are given on the next page.

### The One-Room "Folding" Flat

There is a novelty in building construction, introduced into some of our western cities, that is arousing a good deal of interest and that seems to possess



effect is pleasing. The material is red brick with gray stone trimmings. Above there is a wide bracketed cornice and a cupola bell tower.

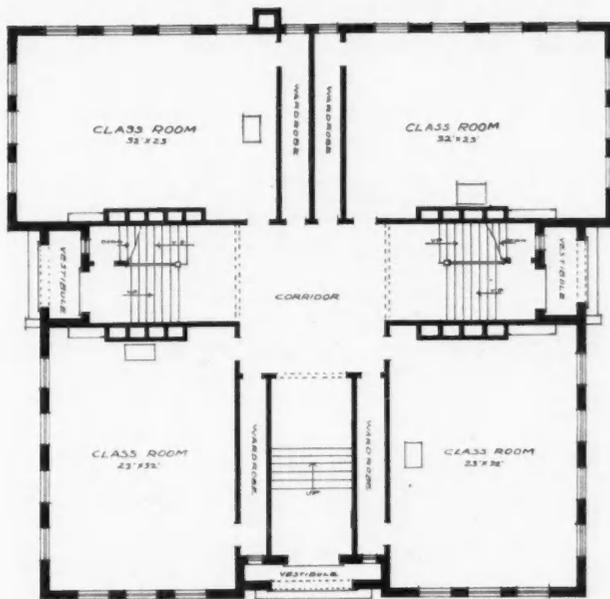
The class rooms are all 23 by 32 feet, each with ample wardrobe. All the rooms open to the large square hall at the center, from which three flights of steps descend to exits on three sides of the building,

much merit. This is the so-called "one-room flat." By means of specially built furniture it makes its one room serve for the purposes that usually take several. The apartment houses containing them shelter as many as 28 families. Some of them are called "residence hotels," and offer the tenants the choice of taking their meals in the public dining room or

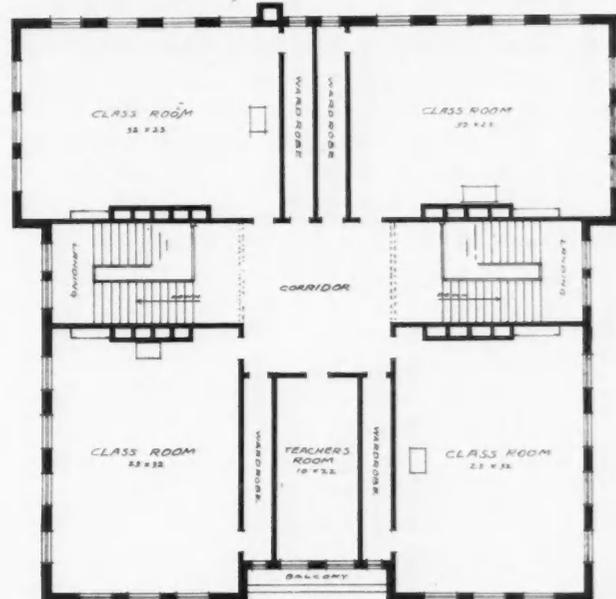
using the domestic facilities attached to their own room.

Of course, the flat has in reality more than one room. There is an entrance hall, a bathroom, and a narrow apartment adjoining the main room which serves for the operation of the furniture, which swings on a pivot. The plan of these flats shows one large room, a kitchenette, a bathroom, and a curious room about three feet deep running parallel with the main living room. One end of this is closet room, while the other provides the space for the furniture to swing about in.

When the one-room flat is serving as a drawing



An Eight-Room School—First Floor Plan



An Eight-Room School—Second Floor Plan

room there is a small center table visible, a combination desk and bookcase, and a sideboard which stands in its place, whether the room is to be used as a sitting or dining room. It disappears only when the time for slumber has arrived. It is then that the sideboard turns around, and on the other side of the board partition back of it there swings into view a brass bed. This is folded up against the board, but it is so arranged that the bedclothes, attached to hooks in the head of the bed, are allowed to swing free and are aired all day.

The library table, merely by swinging its edge around, doubles its size and is capable of seating four persons. When bedtime is at hand the bookcase, which stands next the sideboard, also does its turn, and, in its place, there appears a dressing table. Of course, the same chairs must serve, and they must be selected with appropriateness for the varied uses of the room.

The great merit claimed for these one-room flats is the saving of space, the freedom from the greater cares of housekeeping and the possibility of housing so many families in one building. Of course, the patented furniture made for them is the indispensable element of the scheme, and without it such dwelling

places would not be possible. So it is naturally the company that manufactures the furniture which is putting up the houses, selling stock in them and otherwise promoting them as they would any other building project. In not every case is the house supplied with a hotel dining room. In some there are only the small kitchens.

### Fashions in Brick Changing

Observers of the characteristics of American architecture, and those familiar with the building industry, are discovering that fashion plays a considerable part in the use of face brick for exterior construction,

and that the fashion changes from year to year, with the production of new colorings and shape. A few years ago the finest fronts were constructed of red pressed brick, carefully gauged to size, and shaded to an even color, laid with as narrow a mortar joint as possible, usually of a shade matching the brick, the idea being to produce the appearance of a painted and ruled wall.

This conventional style has been gradually changed to give place to other colorings, and, recently, to a variance in size and shape of the brick. Simultaneously, rapid developments have been made in the thickness, color and texture of the mortar joint and in the style of bonding the face brick to the supporting wall, so that the construction of a brick facade today is a highly artistic piece of work, capable of the best results only in the hands of a skilled architect. A brick wall, to be attractive, should have "life" and "texture," and this can be best obtained by the use of brick varying considerably in color, and laid with a wide mortar joint, preferably with header brick forming a true bond into the main wall.

It is the patient plodder who is always the brilliant young fellow's landlord.



# CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION



## Expansion of Concrete

A RECORD OF SOME INTERESTING EXPERIMENTS SHOWING THAT CONCRETE, PLAIN OR REINFORCED, IS GREATLY AFFECTED BY MOISTURE—ALLOWANCE RULES FOR WORK

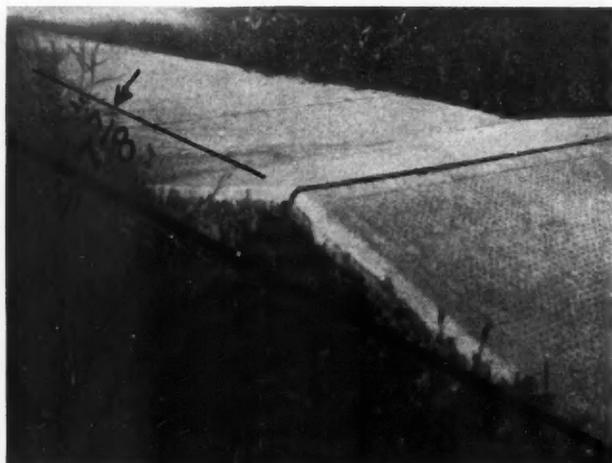
By Fred W. Hagloch

**T**HERE are two distinct conditions or circumstances that cause concrete to expand, rise of temperature above 80 degrees, or a drop of temperature below 28 degrees, and moisture.

That concrete expands .0004 of its own length for every degree of temperature above 80 degrees has been known for years; it is also well known that a similar expansion occurs when the mercury falls below 28 degrees; but that moisture causes a still greater expansion, and that dryness causes contraction, few are willing to concede, though all admit it may have a very slight effect.

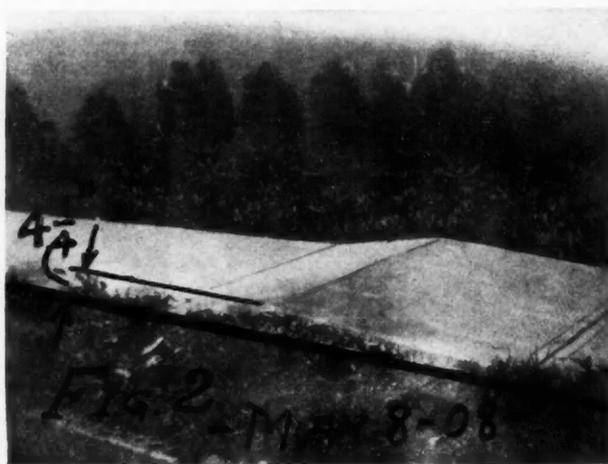
I have carried out a series of tests which I believe answer this question conclusively; I shall first give a few known occurrences that prove the theory if not the correctness of my tests.

A sidewalk made of concrete blocks 6 feet long and 6 inches thick, in a Pittsburg park, in 1896, remained in perfect condition until May, 1908, when it bulged or heaved at several places. This stretch of walk, 85 feet long, has withstood temperature changes



from 8 degrees below zero to 93 degrees above, or 101 degrees variation, without the least injury. Nevertheless, it expanded and cracked last May, when the temperature did not vary more than 30 degrees in 24 hours, and when freezing was entirely out of the question. Upon investigation, it was found that the excessive rains had caused the drains under the walk to become clogged, hence expansion by moisture was the sole cause of the trouble.

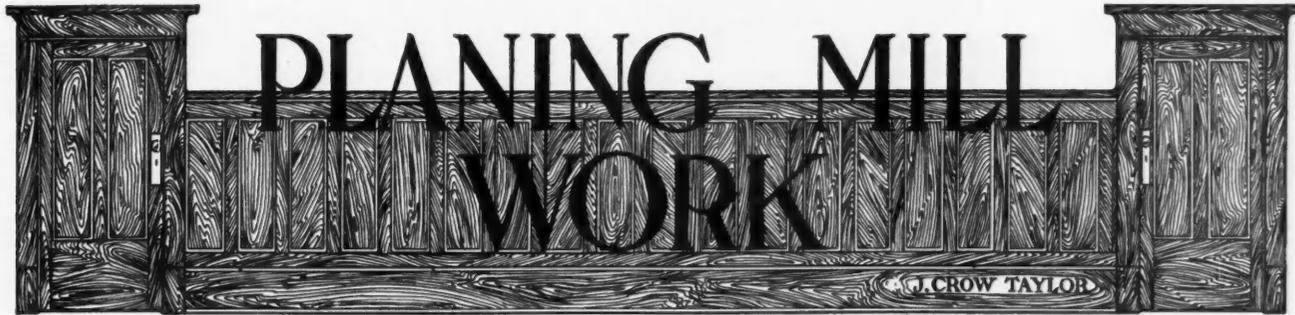
Another example is of two walks, 4 feet wide and 164 feet long, made of concrete slabs 4 feet square and 3 inches thick. These walks were laid on 4 inches of cinder footing on clay soil; the concrete was



not kept moist and received no rains for three weeks after the work was finished in August, 1907. The expansion joints, made of No. 16 gauge sheet steel, were about one-sixteenth of an inch thick, which was found sufficient to protect same during the low winter temperatures, but the rainy season last May caused the upheavals shown in the illustrations. The walk on the higher side of street has raised the ridge four and one-fourth inches above the walk grade; while in the walk most subject to moisture, the ridge is seven and seven-eighths inches above the grade. The change of temperature during this period was slight.

The above are examples showing that plain concrete was uninjured by freezing, but was greatly affected by moisture.

After a number of such observations and tests, I have concluded that expansion by moisture is more important than that by extremes of temperature. My former rule of allowing one inch in fifty feet for reinforced concrete, while proving in many instances sufficient, will be changed to one and three-quarters inches per fifty feet. In plain concrete (not reinforced) I add a half more to the above allowance. The more dense concrete is made, the less will it expand by moisture, but the greater it is affected by extremes and changes of temperature.



## The Woodworker's Dry Kiln

THE USE AND NEED OF ARTIFICIAL DRYING IN CONNECTION WITH WOODWORKING SHOPS—HOW EXHAUST HEAT MAY BE UTILIZED

**A**N IMPORTANT factor of not only every planing mill, but practically every wood working institution is something separate and apart from the mill so far as mechanical equipment is concerned; it is the dry kiln. While it does not come into consideration under the head of the mechanics proper, of woodworking machinery, yet the work of the machines and the general results depends considerably on the efficiency of the kilns. So every good woodworking institution should have a good dry kiln equipment. It doesn't matter, either, if lumber is bought that is presumably dry, if a high grade of cabinet work is being done, it is essential to re-dry the stock. The question of how to equip to do it is one that is probably puzzling many a man in the business. One reader at least has asked specifically for information on this subject in the following letter:

To the Editor:

Pittsburg, Pa.

"Will you kindly advise me through your paper with an article on 'Dry Kilns' which is the best and most economical way to construct one, what material is best suited, etc. We intend to use exhaust heat from our 50 horsepower gas engine. Do you think that is practical? VINCENT F. EIBEN."

When the question of erecting a dry kiln comes up there are more different things offered and more things to be taken into consideration than any man has any idea of until he tackles the subject once and goes into it thoroughly. Also, in the present instance, there is a new element brought up in the question of whether or not the heat from a gas engine, exhaust, may be utilized in this work.

To dispose of this last point first, because of its peculiarity, it is in order to say that almost any heat can be utilized in drying lumber; in this case it is more a question of whether or not there is sufficient heat than anything else. The writer does not recall ever having seen the exhaust of a gas engine used for this purpose; consequently, he is a little in the dark as to suggestions of ways and means to utilize it to the best advantage. That is, whether to water cool the exhaust and thus produce hot water and use hot water for the kiln or to utilize the heat by means of an exhaust fan.

### What Material to Use

In the building of a dry kiln, leaving aside for the

present entirely the question of dimensions and of drying methods, and considering more particularly the materials entering into construction and the manner of their use, there are three classes of material used for construction. They are wood, brick, and cement or concrete. The majority of kilns among the mills are of wooden construction and the method of construction varies more or less. Generally, however, the kilns are framed and have at least two walls, one inside and one outside the framing. Generally, too, what is known as standard inch flooring is used in this work and sometimes on the outside there is also put a covering of tar or composition roofing paper as a sort of extra protection against air getting in or out. In some styles of kilns these walls are used with dead air space between, in others the spaces between the framing are used to form vents or draft flues; and in some, where no vent is wanted through the wall, the space between the walls is filled with sawdust. It is generally conceded, however, that, as a non-conductor of heat, the air space is as good as an extra filling of sawdust, and it is much cleaner. Some vary this method a little by using flooring to ceil the inside with and put a drop side on the outside, either tongue and grooved or shiplap together. Some put a rough sheeting on the outside and then a tar building paper covering all with bevel siding or something of that kind. These are details that change considerably to suit the material and the ideas of the men doing the work.

### Fire Proof Kilns

Where it is desired to have permanent kilns and a better degree of safety in case of fire the dry kilns are constructed either of brick or of concrete blocks. Brick construction is so well known as to need but little elaboration as it is a mere building of brick walls; if flues or vents are wanted up through the walls they can be built in like flues, up through the walls in ordinary house construction.

Since the rise in popularity of concrete blocks there has been quite a lot of experimenting with them in dry kiln work, and some who have used them claim to be well pleased with the results. In this work, in the building of the concrete block walls, it is pretty

much the same as house building, except that sometimes the blocks are so laid as to make flues or vents up through the wall out of the hollow spaces in the blocks.

Whether this is done or not depends on whether such a system of ventilation is used, or whether there are to be flues or some other form of draft.

As to which of these methods it is best to follow and the material that is most economical, depends considerably on the location and the availability of the different materials entering into the dry kiln construction. There is no doubt but that for a permanent kiln, it is better either to use concrete or brick if it can be had at reasonable cost, even though the first cost is more than for lumber. Also, if one pays insurance, there is a saving on insurance; because either brick or concrete walls, although they won't save the material in the dry kiln from burning in case a fire starts *inside* the kiln, still they will prevent the fire from spreading or the kiln taking fire readily from some outside fire.

#### Some Peculiar Kilns

This question of furnishing heat from the gas engine, while it is different, calls to mind an independently heated kiln of peculiar construction. This kiln is for drying lumber for a parquet flooring plant working about 5,000 feet a day. The plant is driven by electricity; consequently, there is no waste heat about the plant to be utilized. So the heat for the kiln had to be produced independently. To this end a small boiler was purchased, about 20 horsepower, and was set, not on top of the ground, but in a brick structure that was bedded down into the ground like a basement, so that the top of the boiler is below the surface of the ground. The boiler room is made just large enough to hold the boiler and a reasonable amount of fuel. The dry kiln was fitted with return coil steam pipes pretty much as the regulation kiln, and the return or condensation from the kiln was piped back to the boiler. The object in this was to economize both in water and in heat; for, by this means, the boiler only required a little additional water now and then to make up for the loss through leaks, the water from the condensed steam being turned right into the boiler all the time. Only a few pounds of steam were necessary, just enough to get the heat. The whole thing reminds one considerably of the steam heating plant for a dwelling. In fact, it is more on that order than anything else. This system ought to suggest a good idea for those who are using electricity or gasoline engines for their motive power, as it makes a nice self-contained dry kiln system that is simple; and its cost, of course, depends on the magnitude of the requirements. If they are small, the heating equipment need not be more expensive than that for an ordinary house.

One might, on the same idea, varied somewhat, use a hot air furnace in which could be burned waste

accumulation and heat the dry kiln with hot blast. In fact, this idea suggests itself as being one of the best for shops of small dry kiln requirements. It is capable of lots of changes and expansion in one way and another, and might even be extended to embrace the use of heat from the exhaust of a gas engine.

#### Natural Gas for Drying

This gas engine recalls one of the most peculiar dry kilns the writer ever saw, a kiln for drying slack cooperage stock in the gas belt of Indiana. This kiln was operated by gas, that is, by burning gas underneath much on the same plan as in the old smoker kilns that burned a fire underneath to generate heat. Of course, there was quite a lot of basement room and the gas jets were probably six feet below the bottom of the material that was drying, but they burned freely and brightly and looked mighty dangerous. The gentleman who was operating them, however, contended that they were not half so dangerous as they looked, and not nearly so likely to cause fire as the old smoker kiln in which the blaze was kept down as low as practical. His explanation of this was that the gas burners didn't throw out any sparks to go up through the stock, and that there was no blaze except right at the burner, with nothing but heat going up to dry the material. He was evidently right about it, too, for he had used it for a number of years and had not had a fire. Still, it was a dangerous looking proposition and it would probably be condemned by the board of underwriters of any city as too hazardous to be in operation.

Another peculiar type of dry kiln or drying room once examined was probably the simplest type going. It was a drying room for drying hickory handles in connection with a handle factory. It consisted merely of a box wall, strips nailed over the cracks, small windows which could be opened to get air to alter the temperature when desired, and a floor laid with common boards with cracks between the boards about an inch or a little more. Underneath the floor were runs of steam pipe here and there to furnish heat. The stuff was piled right in the room on the floor and either live or exhaust steam used, depending on the circumstances. The room was heated to temperatures ranging from 80 to 110 degrees. In this case high heat was never used, because it was not desired to dry out the stock too rapidly; and, while it took longer, the drying was probably better done than if more heat had been used.

#### Temperature to Use

This point of temperature is one that is getting quite a lot of attention these days, and there seems to be a tendency to use a lower temperature than formerly, keeping stuff in the kiln longer. The high temperature kilns are both dangerous and calculated to cause checking because of the excessive heat. The idea, today, seems to be to let the temperature down to

150 or 110 degrees instead of going above 200 as in some of the older kilns. It is a matter that depends considerably on what is being dried, and the condition it is in. Generally, the stock the average woodworker has to dry is some that was either partially air dried or possibly had been through a kiln already, so the main purpose of the dry kiln is to do what is called re-drying, to insure getting the stock thoroughly dry; and it is more a matter of careful piling and proper handling of vents, given time enough, than it is a matter of seeing how rapidly it can be dried.



### Curious House

In Lehigh county, Penn., lives a farmer by the name of Tilghman Fogel, and he has erected one of the most novel houses ever conceived. It's the only one of its kind in the world, its walls being constructed of cement in which are imbedded thousands of souvenirs collected in all parts of the globe. These souvenirs consists of all kinds of stones, pebbles, wood, shells, medicine bottles, glassware of every description, plain colored and fancy; chinaware, plain and fancy; some whole, some otherwise. For instance, he'd take a glass pitcher and stick it into the soft cement so that only the handle protruded. Then he would take another pitcher, whether of glass or china, and stick it in sidewise. He'd do the same with cups and saucers. He would take a pitcher or cup and insert it sidewise, so that half would be in the cement and the other half would project. A handful of bits of colored glass would be stuck into the cement in varying designs, the whole making a phantasmagoria almost delirious in its effect.

On the north and south sides of the house there are huge squares of cement filled in with all kinds of rock, some of them three times the size of a man's head. Some of them are the ordinary cobbles you find in a field, others are of iron ore, flint, limestone and a peculiar specimen of rock which he brought all the way from Kansas. Other specimens came from other western States. He says those souvenirs in the cement blocks represent practically every State in the Union. The borders around the windows at the kitchen are composed of alternate layers of brick and soda water bottles with the bottom outward. First there is a brick, then a bottle, then another brick and so on. Among them are some of the old-fashioned glass knobs from bureau drawers. The pillars of the porch are of bluestone, hand-carved, and each pillar represents a different kind of wood. The interior of the house is neat and tasteful and without any oddity of any kind.



### Substitute for Wood

Harold L. Holister of Hopkins, Minn., one time publisher of The Morristown Press, has invented and patented a substitute for wood which promises to work wonders in the erection of buildings. The material is

composed of straw and a by-product of coal oil. Seventy-five per cent straw is used and this is cemented together with the coal oil material with other chemicals making a substance that it is claimed will take the place of wood in any line of building. It is superior to wood in that it is fire proof, water-proof and will not decay. Saws, planes, augers, etc., will work it as readily as wood and there is no grain to split. Nails can be driven close to the edge and will hold firmer than wood as the friction of driving the nail partially warms up the tarry substance which again hardens holding the nail firmly.

The straw is chopped and mixed with the oil or cement and all is put into a pot where it is melted; then it is turned into a mold and heavy pressure applied which forms into the desired thickness, shapes, lengths, etc. This substitute weighs about the same as oak and is declared to be as strong as a piece of ordinary lumber of the same dimensions. Straw, slough grass, or hay can be used in the manufacture and the finished product is expected to cost about half the price of lumber.

Mr. Hollister is receiving substantial support from many prominent business men of the state and all who have seen the material or its manufacture and investigated its usefulness anticipate great things. Special machinery for its manufacture is now being built and it will be but a short time before the manufacture for general use will commence.



### Concrete a Sanitary Building Material

Among the many claims made for the superiority of concrete as a building material is that of its sanitary qualities. The Board of Health of Detroit, Mich., at a recent meeting was given evidence on this point which would seem to be conclusive. In that city it was found that the wooden floors of an old meat market had become saturated with filth, and that rats and other vermin held high carnival among the rotten boards and beams. The Board of Health ordered the old floors removed and concrete substituted for the wood, the executive officer stating that the vermin would be forced to look for other boarding houses after the mandate had been executed.

The wood in the old stalls of the Chicago stockyards, which had become soaked with animal matter, has been largely replaced by concrete since the recent sensational developments made in the packing industry. Concrete has the right to be considered as an agent of health, as well as the cheapest, most easily handled and strongest building material developed in modern times.



### When He Stammered

Employer (engaging clerk)—But do you always stammer like that?

Applicant—N-n-n-no, sir; only w-w-when I t-t-talk.



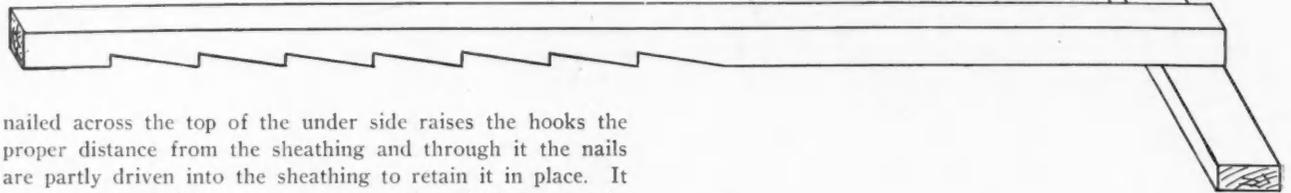
### A Gauge for Spacing Shingles

To the Editor:

New Era, Ore.

The accompanying illustration shows a device which I use to hold and space the straight edge in laying shingles.

It is made from a 2 by 2 inch piece about 5½ feet long. For laying shingles 5 inches to the weather, the hooks, or notches should be made 5 inches apart, etc. The small board



nailed across the top of the under side raises the hooks the proper distance from the sheathing and through it the nails are partly driven into the sheathing to retain it in place. It requires two of these gauges, one at each end of the straight edge, which should be kept level. In sliding the straight edge up, a notch regulates the spacing and keeps the courses straight with the roof.

ELMER VETETO.

### Brick Veneer

To the Editor:

Warriorsmark, Pa.

The enclosed is a picture of a roomy, well designed house of brick veneer construction which I am putting up in this

place for A. W. Hyskell, Esq. Some features of it may be interesting to the readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER.

C. G. BURKETT.



House of Brick Veneer Construction Being Erected By C. G. Burkett at Warriorsmark, Pa.

### Suggestions Requested

To the Editor: Aurora, N. Y.

I am a merchant, keep a general store; but am also something of a mason and builder and am very much interested in your magazine. I am also anxious to have your new book "Cement Houses and How to Build Them."

Now I would like for you or some of the readers to give



me some ideas about remodeling my store. You will see from the picture that we have a new front, bottom and top; and I want to put a cement plaster finish between the windows and up to the galvanized cornice. I am sure that I can do the work if some of you can tell me the best way.

I would also like to know what I can put in the show windows which will be cheaper than tile and can be cleaned.

M. MALONEY, JR.

### Satisfactory Squirrel Cage

To the Editor: Centerville, S. D.

In answer to J. E. Donaho's question in regard to squirrel house, I would suggest that he build it 5 feet square, roofed same as a gable house, having one side of house  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch mesh sand screen, also line the whole house with the screen, so the squirrels can climb all over the interior, as the wire gives them a hold so they will not slip. Procure a branching, small tree top and plant firmly near center of house. Also if possible get a natural squirrel tree—that is, a hollow log—about 12 in. through, cutting to length to reach from floor to ceiling and place in one of the back corners of the house. Have a branch of small tree project toward hollow tree, but leave space so they will have to jump, and you will be surprised at the hours they will race up one tree and down the other. Place squirrel wheel where convenient, and feed door the same. Could you not procure a hollow tree, you can get one with good rough bark and place a box at top.

H. I. HOLCOMB.

### Puzzle Answered

To the Editor: Milwaukee, Wis.

Mr. H. E. Graham of Condon, Ala., has given a problem in the July number of your valuable magazine for your readers, and wants to know how far from the top end a timber must be cut which is 30 feet long, 10 inches square at top and 12 inches square at bottom, so that the top piece will contain as many feet of lumber as the bottom piece.

The whole timber contains 302.4 feet of lumber and must be cut 16.36 feet from the top end to contain as many feet of lumber as the bottom piece, that is, 151.2 feet of lumber.

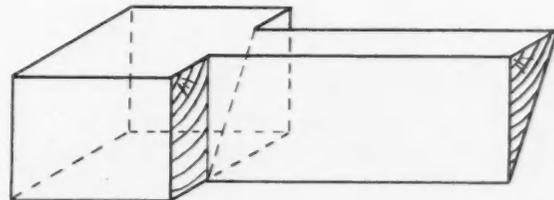
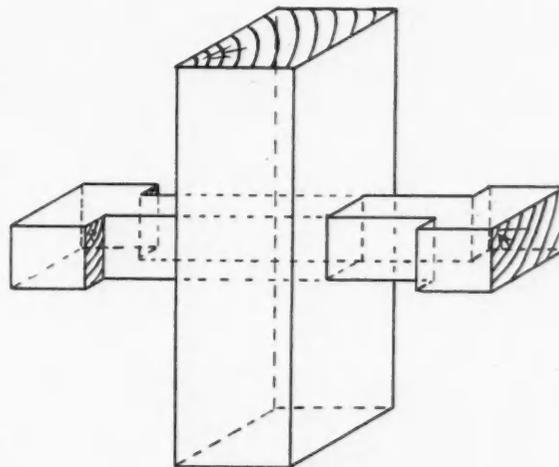
Your readers are still waiting for the solution of the won-

derful puzzle given by Mr. Pinus Strobis in the May number, consisting of a piece of mahogany with a mortise through the center and a hammer-headed key of white pine through it, as shown in sketch No. 4 on page 231. Each piece is absolutely solid and was never cut apart or glued up in the making. Mr. Strobis being perhaps the only one who knows how it is done, would do us a great favor to tell us the secret.

JACOB GEREND.

Answer: I can assure Mr. Gerend that I am by no means the sole repository of the secret of the joint shown in the May number of this magazine. It is very simple. Boil or steam the white pine key until it is quite soft; squeeze one end in a powerful iron vise until it is compressed sufficiently to pass through the mortise in the piece of mahogany. As the pine swells very rapidly one has to "step lively" to get it through

### Puzzle Joint



before it is too large to pass the mortise. When the key is dry, a rub with sandpaper easily removes all traces of the steaming and compression, and leaves the most deceiving wood puzzle known to the writer.

Of course, the reason that this puzzle proved baffling to my fellow correspondents was that it was clearly stated that the key was absolutely solid. If that condition had been absent, many of the readers of this journal would have remembered a puzzle of similar outward appearance, in which the key is glued up as shown in the accompanying sketch.

PINUS STROBUS.

### To Draw Spiral with Compass and Square

To the Editor: Montreal, Can.

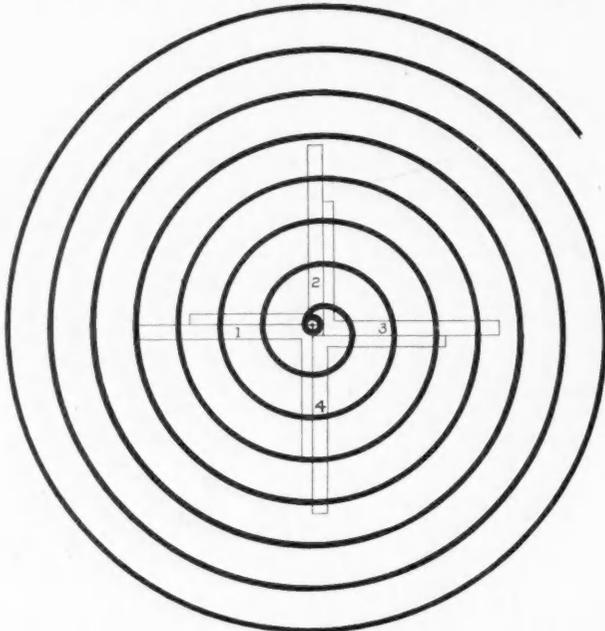
Will you please ask Mr. Woods to show how to draw a spiral with a compass and the steel square? I was told that he has a way of doing it and thought it would be interesting to many others, as well as myself.

JOHN ERIKSON.

Answer: To draw a spiral with the aid of a common compass is a very simple matter and any one that can at all handle the instrument, can do it after a moment's study, as

the spiral is composed of four parts of quarter circles and is therefore made from four centers.

In the illustration are shown four squares and the centers are at the heel of each square and it will be seen that the spiral lines pass at equal distances from the heels of the respective squares, thus proving that it is made up of true quarter circles. In the illustration, the spiral starts out from a true circle with its center at the heel of square No. 1 and the centers for the beginning of the spiral is at the heel of No. 2 and the changing point is at the blade of the respective square from the heel from which that part of the circle is turned. Then without changing the pencil point, set the needle point back to the heel of the next square and so on to the end. The distance between the spiral lines is governed



by the distance around the square formed by the steel square as shown at the center of the illustration. If it is desired to have the spiral lines two inches apart, the square would only be one-half inch each way, just as though the heels were shoved by each other that amount. A. W. WOODS.



### Quick Estimating

To the Editor: Monroe, La.

I have been a charter subscriber to your journal since its first number was published. I have been hoping that some contractor would some time give some rule for a quick estimate on buildings—brick buildings, such as stores, school houses, churches, halls, etc. I would like to ask for such information through the columns of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER. A. J. BROOKS.



### Top Cuts for Bridge Truss

To the Editor: Brooklyn, N. Y.

I have been a subscriber to your valuable paper since its first issue, would like to have room to answer Mr. A. D. Woodson's question in the June, 1908, number, how to get the top cuts of his truss. Take run of brace, plus one-half of gain of brace on blade, one-half of rise on tongue, tongue gives cut. J. L. BRETH.



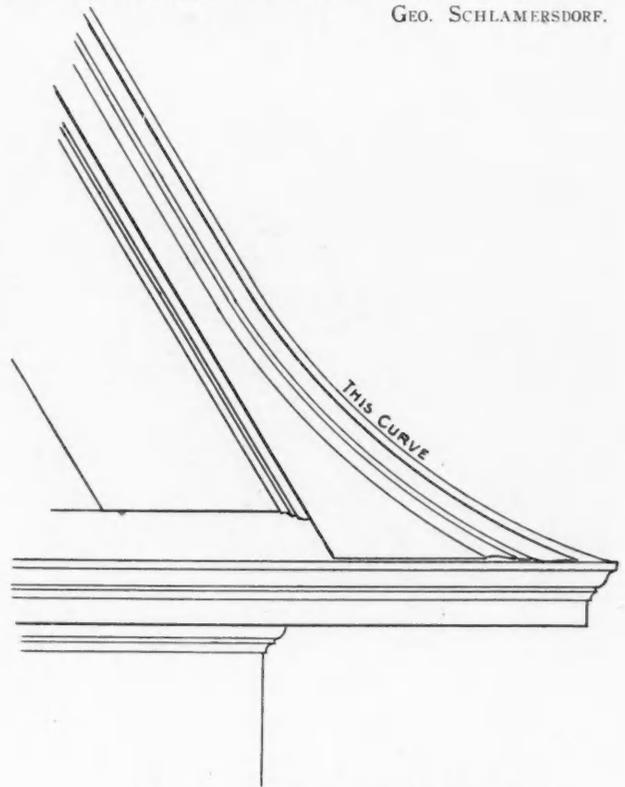
### Curved Crown Molds

To the Editor: Vincennes, Ind.

I would like to ask a question through the columns of your journal. Enclosed you will find a sketch for a curved crown mold. Now it is this. Is there a rule for developing this

mold out of one inch stuff? Note that this is for a concave roof and not going around a circle.

GEO. SCHLAMERSDORF.



### From a Home Workshop

To the Editor:

Westboro, Mass.

The photo inclosed may be of interest to some of the readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER, especially those interested in hand-made furniture, as it shows a piece of such work of rather peculiar design—a very large combination table and fireplace seat, which I was called upon to construct some time ago.

The intention was to make it very solid and comfortable, the chief piece of furniture in the large living room of a bungalow being built near here. The photo shows it in place



before the broad hearth, where it adds much to the homelike comfort of the room.

In construction it is of the simplest kind, being built of two-inch surfaced maple stock, fastened together with old-fashioned wrought iron spikes. The finish is the dull wax in natural grain. JOHN LYMAN.



### Original American Carpenter and Builder

To the Editor:

Wahkon, Minn.

Perhaps the readers of this magazine will be interested in seeing present day examples of the work of what might be called the original American carpenters and builders,—the bark huts of the Chippewa Indians of Northern Minnesota. These are located on the shore of that beautiful inland sea, Mille Lacs Lake, near the new summer resort town of Wahkon, about midway between St. Paul and Duluth.

Most of their houses and huts are made of birch bark and

rush matting over a frame work of wattles and poles, not a single nail being used. You will see clearly from the pictures that not all the modern improvements have been incorporated in the design. Still there is no sign of "race suicide!"

The Indians here are now at work also on several birch bark canoes. Their kit of tools for this, as for their other building work, is made up of a knife and a large awl like a scratch awl.

Best wishes to the world's greatest building paper and to all the big family.

T. R. McCORMIC.



Typical Bark and Twig Huts—Homes of the Chippewa Indians, Near Mille Lacs Lake, Minn.



# PRACTICAL TRADE APPLIANCES

## Book Review

We are in receipt of a copy of the 17th annual 1908 edition of Hendricks' Commercial Register of the United States for Buyers and Sellers, published in New York City. By comparing the present with past editions we find it still continues to improve and increases with each new issue.

The 16th annual 1907 edition required 76 pages to index its contents while the present edition requires 82 pages. As each page contains 412 classifications, the six additional pages contain 2,472 additional trade classifications, making for the eighty-two pages a grand total of 33,684 headings each one of which represents the manufacturers, etc., of some machine, tool, apparatus, specialty or material.

The first edition was issued in 1891 and contained about five hundred pages, while the present numbers over 1300 pages and contains upward of 350,000 names and addresses classified under 33,684 trade headings.

The first edition required only eight pages to index its contents with 206 classifications on each page or a total of 1648, and it was devoted solely to the building industries of the country, while the present edition covers not only that, but also the engineering, mechanical, railroad, electrical, min-

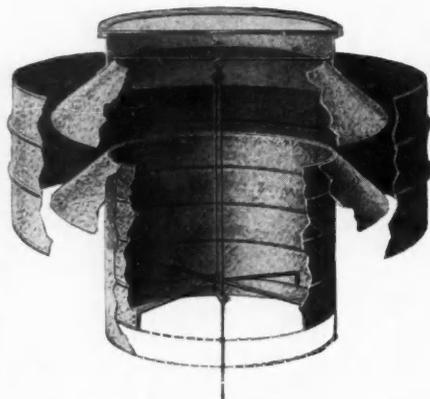
ing, iron, steel, export and kindred industries. The difference between it and the present edition will give you some idea of the growth of the publication and the appreciation with which it has been received. It is the only publication ever issued that is so classified that it can be used for either purchasing or mailing purposes.

The Hendricks' Company makes no charge for fully classifying any firms' business, consequently, they have the material for making the most complete buyers reference issued.

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## Beaver Boards

The illustration on this page is made from a photograph of the dining room in the residence of the noted author, Anna Katherine Green at Buffalo, N. Y. It is of special interest to carpenters and builders because the walls and ceiling are made of Beaver boards—no lath or plaster being used; it gives some idea of the attractive interior finish thus ob-



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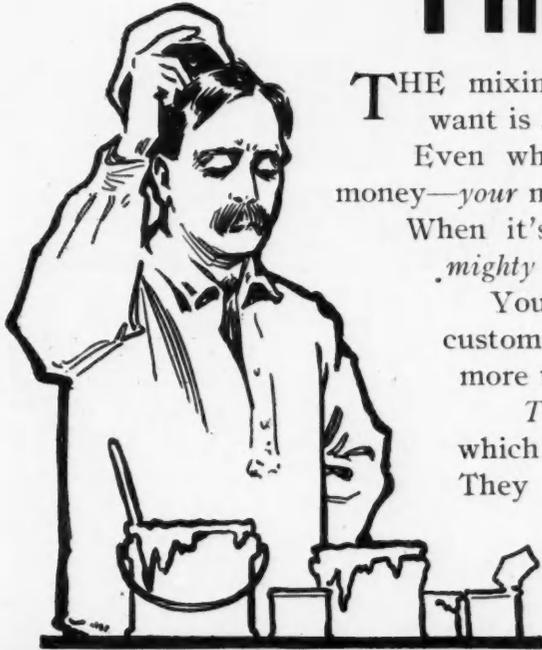
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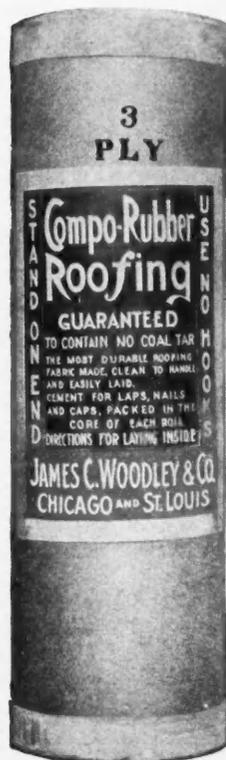
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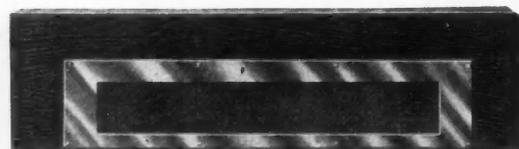
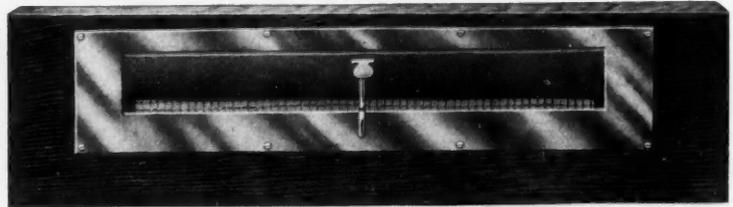
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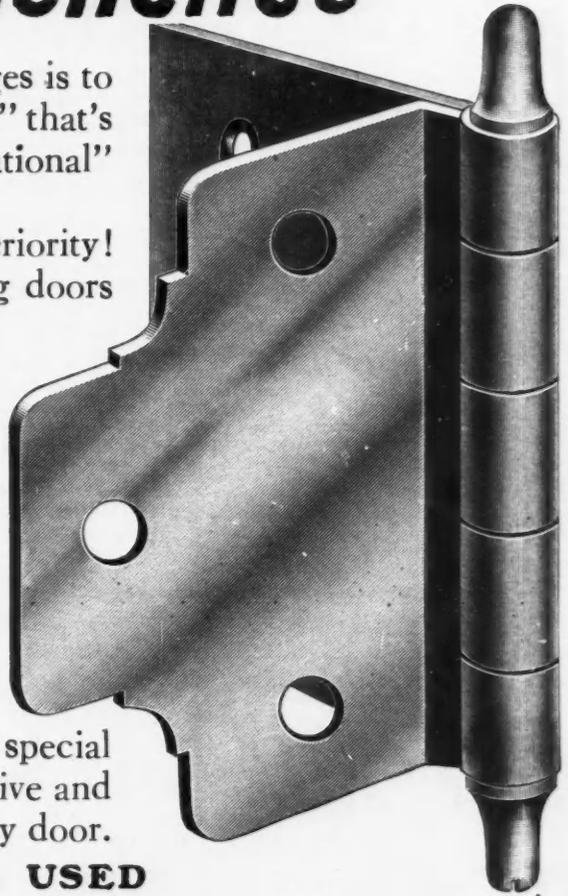
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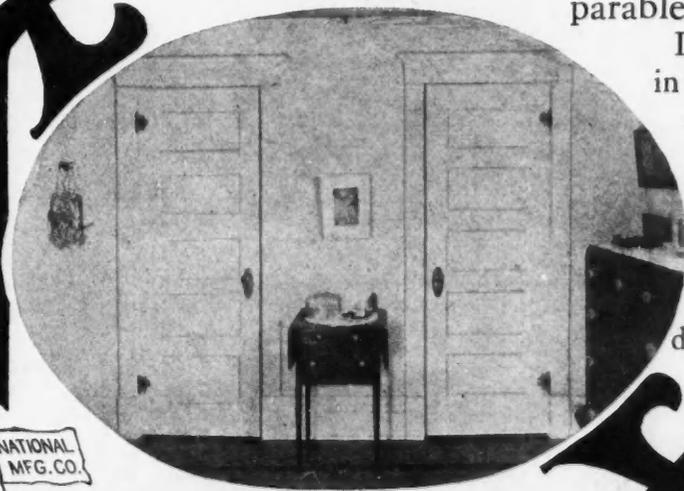
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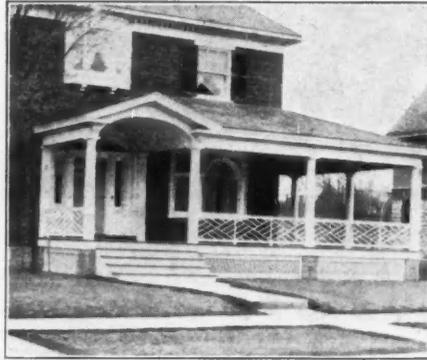


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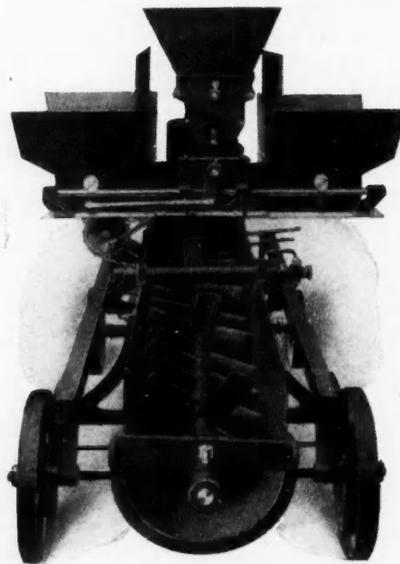


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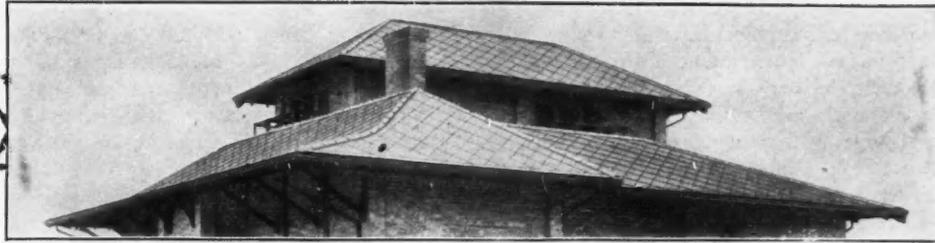
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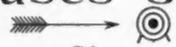
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This is a picture of the Tremont Hotel, of Houston, Texas, as it is to-day. The original building was built in 1873. At that time the building was roofed with "Target-and-Arrow Old Style" roofing tin. In 1903, when they came to tear down the old building to erect a new one, O. H. & P. Rudolph, the architects, found the "Target-and-Arrow" tin on the old building in such perfect condition that the old tin was taken off and relaid on the new building. The tin is to-day in as perfect condition as it was thirty-five years ago.

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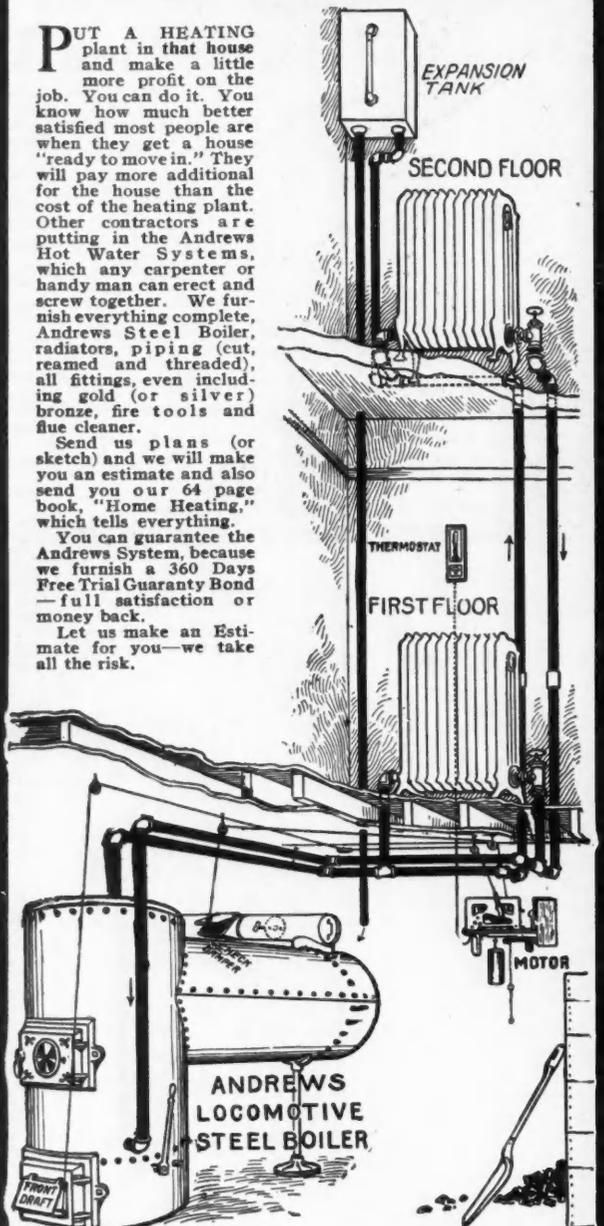
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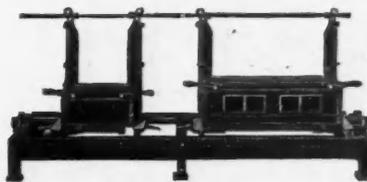
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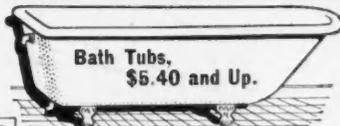
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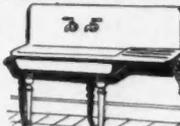
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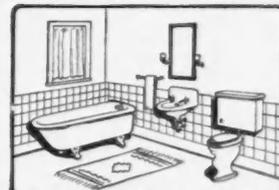
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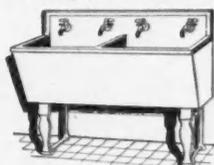


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### Ventilators That Ventilate

Ventilating the modern residential or office building is one of the greatest questions that today confronts the architect or builder. Many devices are now on the market, some of which have merit while others—well—the least said, the better.

The Harris Sash Ventilator solves this problem. This ventilator is installed directly in the window-sash—either lower, upper, or both—the best results being obtained by the use of a ventilator in either sash. It consists of an inside plate with a shutter or door operated by a thumb plate and controlled by a locking bar provided with stops, which hold the shutter in any position, until released by a slight pressure on the locking bar, which extends slightly through the inside plate. On the outer side of the sash there is placed a plate of the same size as the inner plate, but provided only with a fine brass screen.

The points of merit claimed for this ventilator are as follows: 1st. Ventilation is secured with the sash in its proper position and fastened, so that whether the house, building or room is occupied or unoccupied, proper ventilation can be secured without danger from burglars or other intruders, and with no fear of damage caused by wind or rain storms, as the plates are so placed that no storms can affect either ventilators or interior of the building. 2nd. It is a night and day ventilator. 3rd. It is not dust catching, for it has a fine screen which keeps out dust as well as mosquitoes, flies, etc., either large or small. 4th. It is not bulky and unsightly, but neat, effective, and ornamental. 5th. The Harris ventilator is confined closely within the rail and does not interfere with shades or shutter, outside screens or storm sash, neither does it interfere with the raising or lowering of the windows. For the sick room and sleeping room these are an invaluable asset, this being proved by their use in many large hospitals throughout the country.

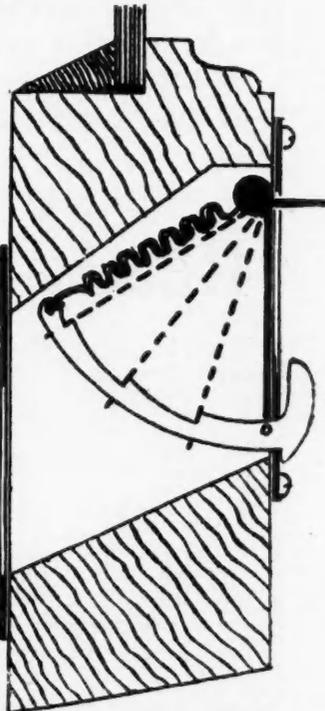
These ventilators be it understood are equally valuable, in the construction of almost any kind of building—the modest bungalow—or the sky-scraping office building—and in the larger buildings where large ventilators are placed on the roof or where ventilating systems are installed, the Harris Ventilator augments the system already in use.

This device is of such practical merit that we are pleased to refer you to their advertisement on another page, in this issue.

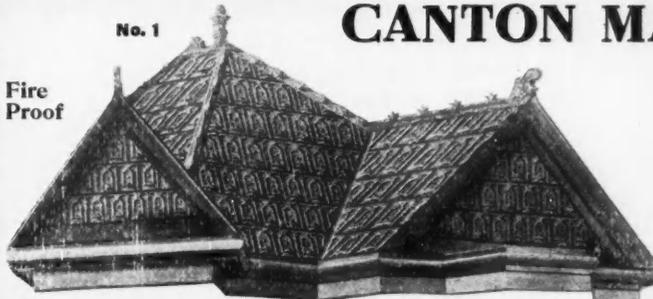
### Frost Proof Windows

To say that the merchant is "annoyed," "wrathful" or "hot-under-the-collar," when his plate glass store front—which he had just put in at large expense—clouds over with mist and frost on the first cold day, is indeed putting it mildly.

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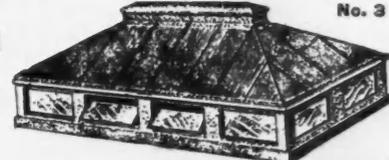
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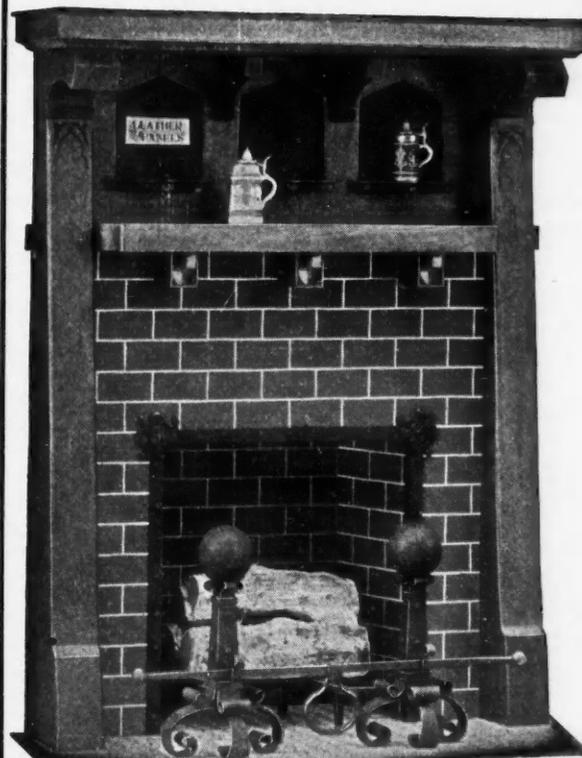
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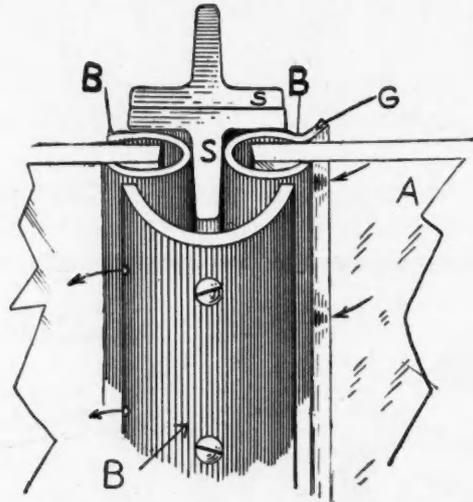
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dow—now that the Universal Store Front has been perfected and placed on the market by the Voltz Manufacturing Co., of St. Joseph, Mo.

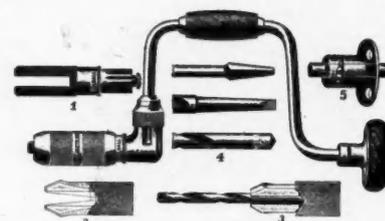
The "Universal" sash bar is radically different from other makes; it works in harmony with natural laws. The edge of the glass is set in a dead air space—not in wood or putty.



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The constantly increasing use among wood workers of twist drills having both straight and bit stock shanks, has created a necessity for a moderate priced chuck that will



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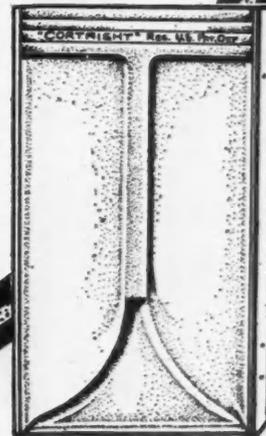
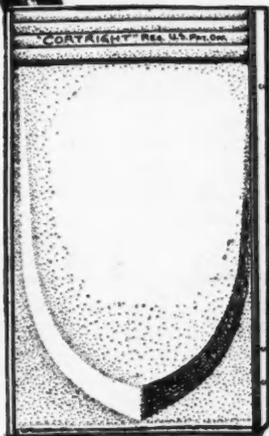
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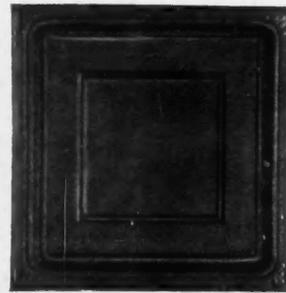
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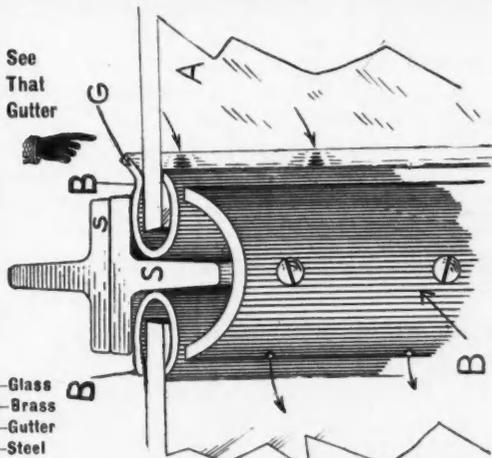
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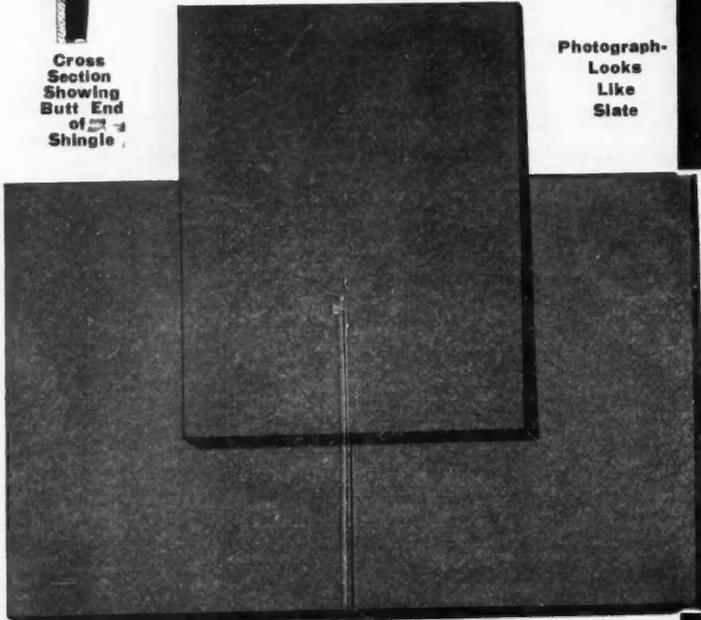
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Some ready roofings have so little protective quality of their own that they require painting every year, although there are better grades which can be left as long as three years without this protection.

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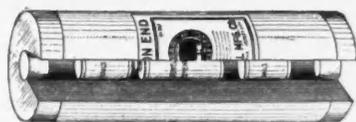
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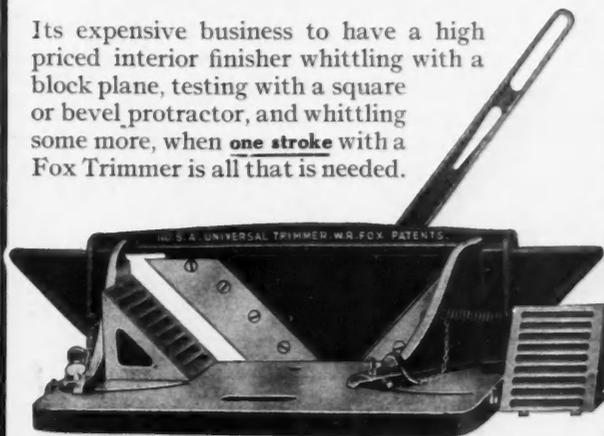
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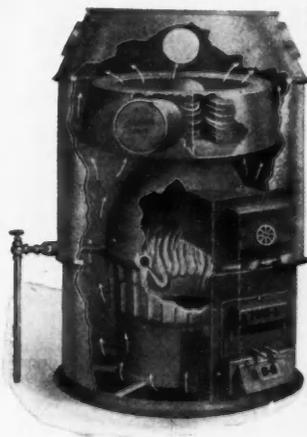


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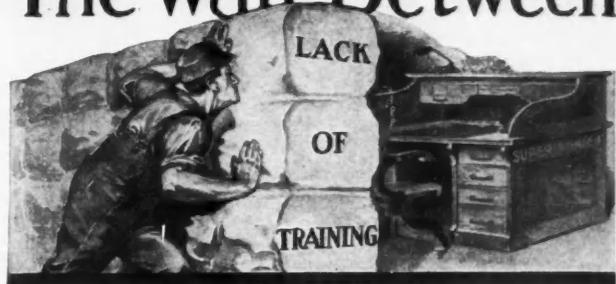
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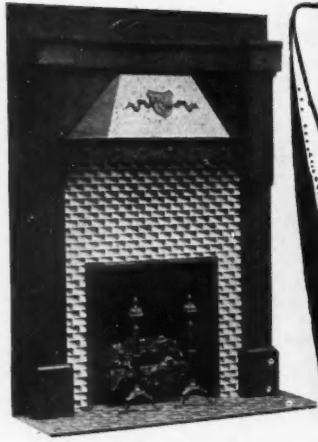
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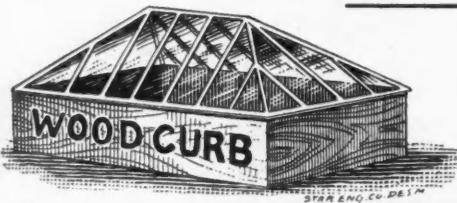
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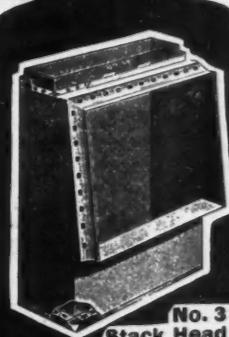


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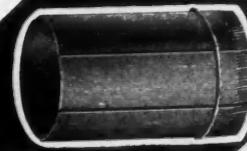
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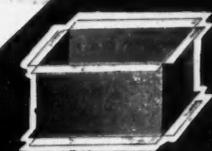
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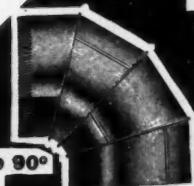
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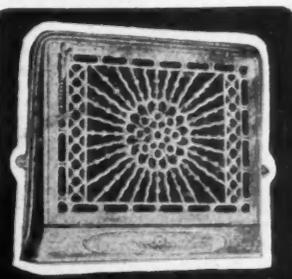
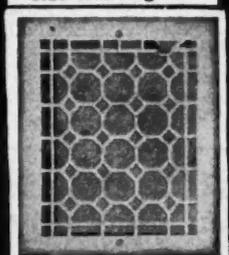


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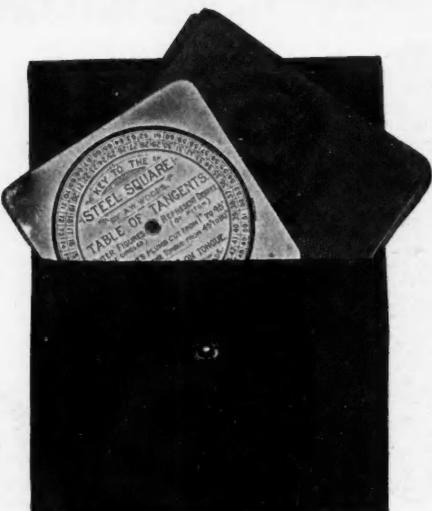
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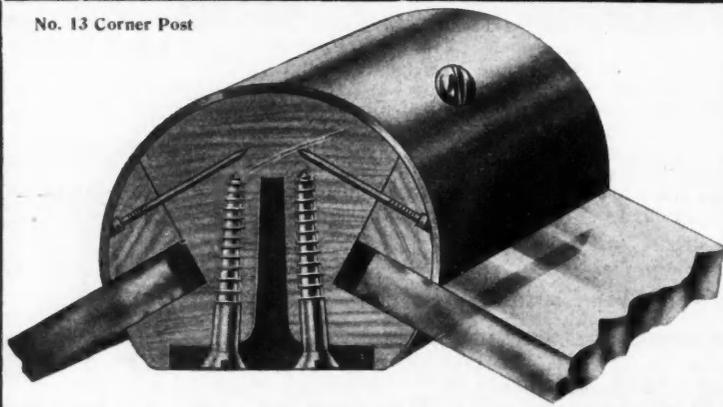
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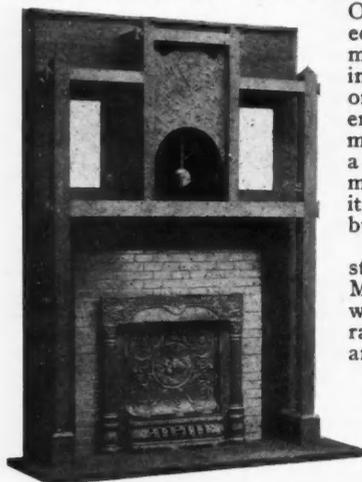
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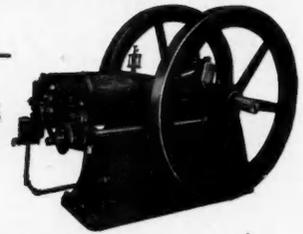
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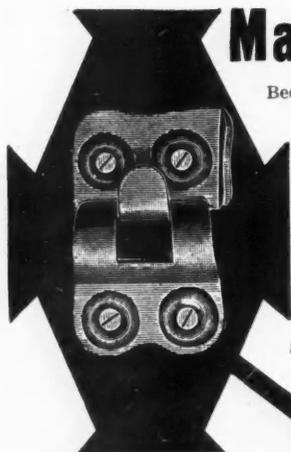
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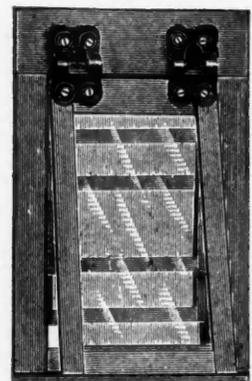
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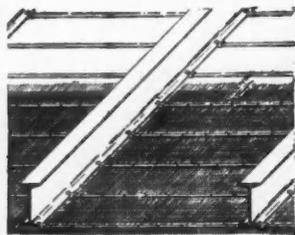
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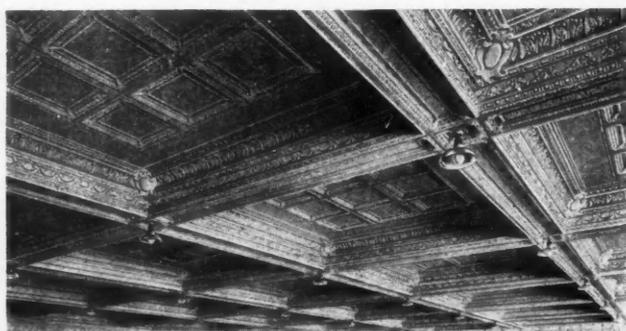
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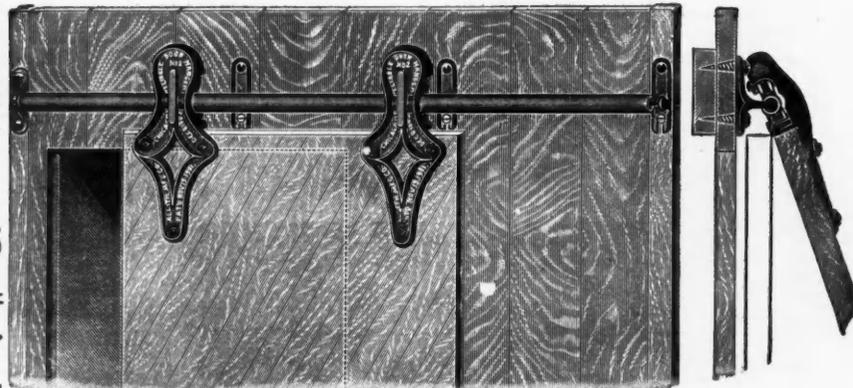
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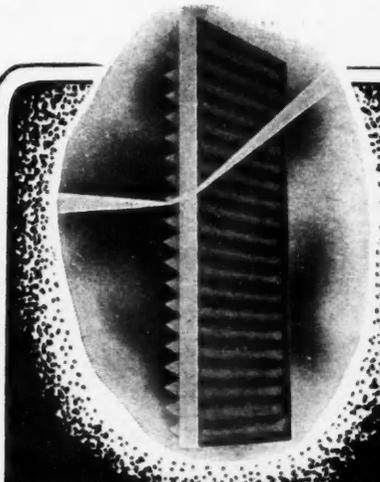
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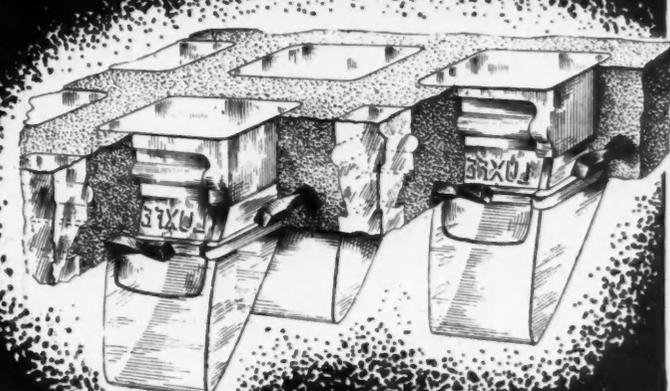
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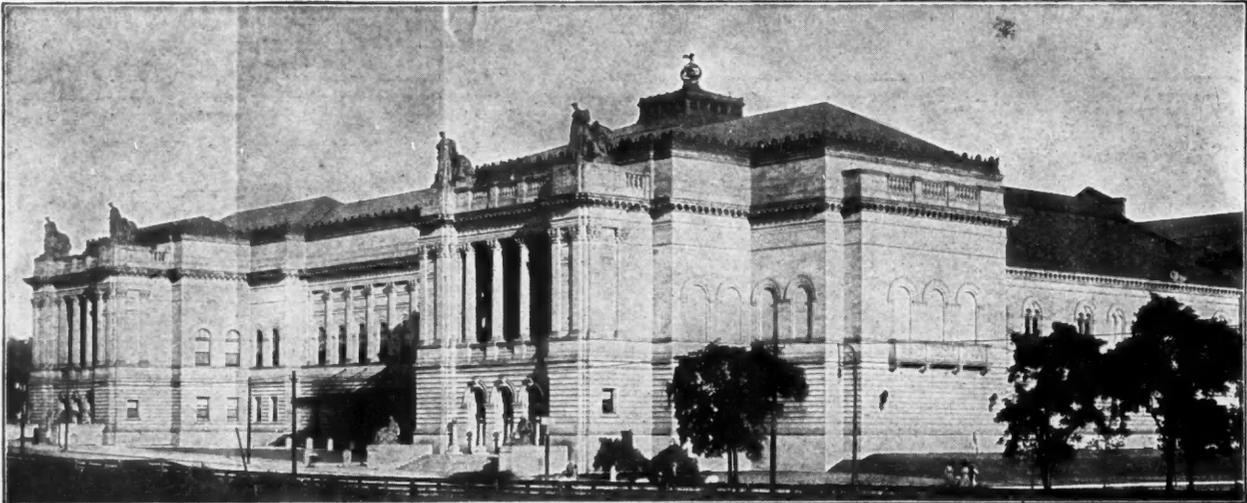
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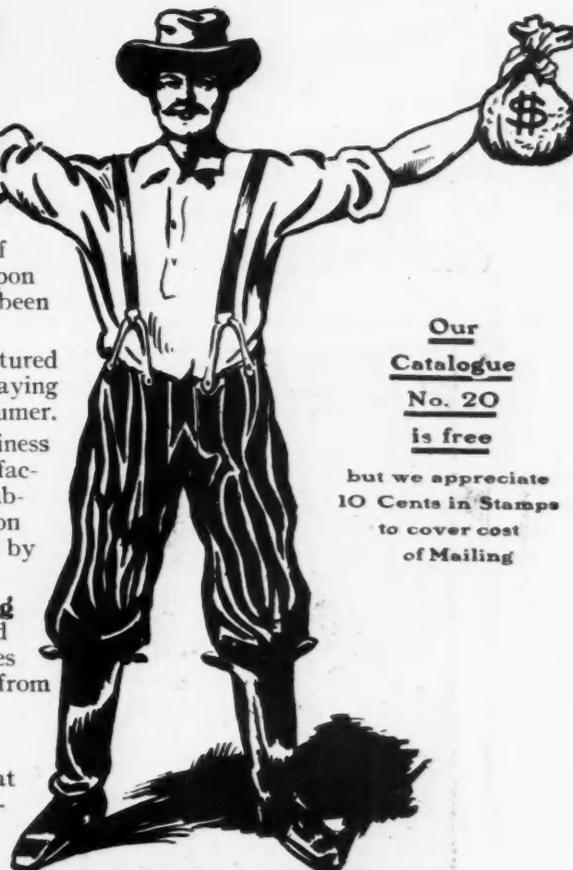
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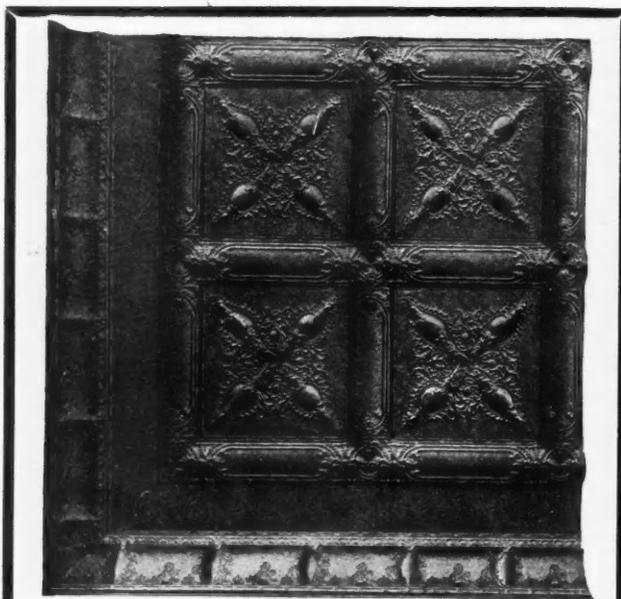
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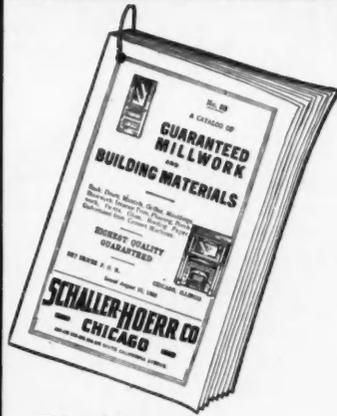
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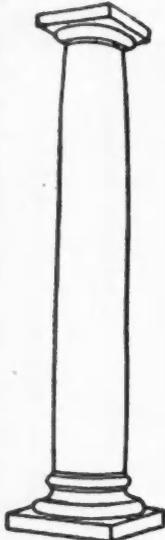
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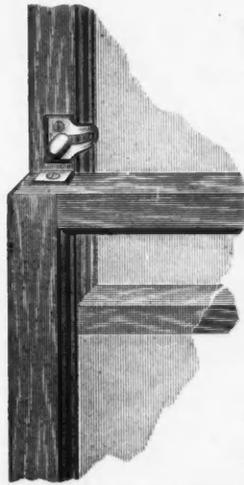
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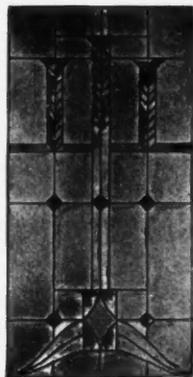
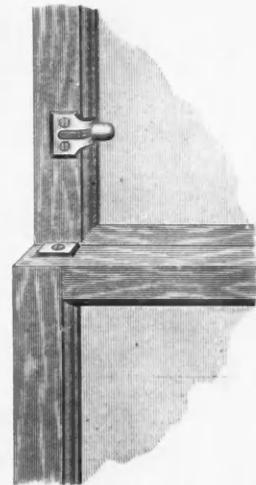
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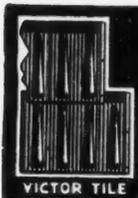
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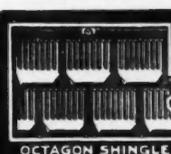
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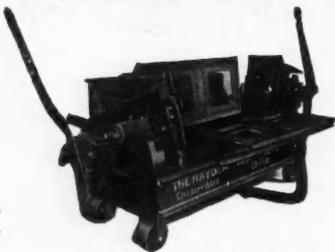
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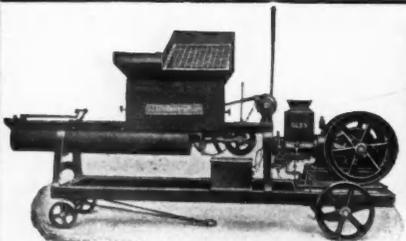
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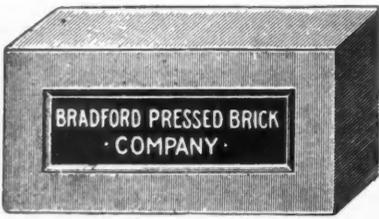
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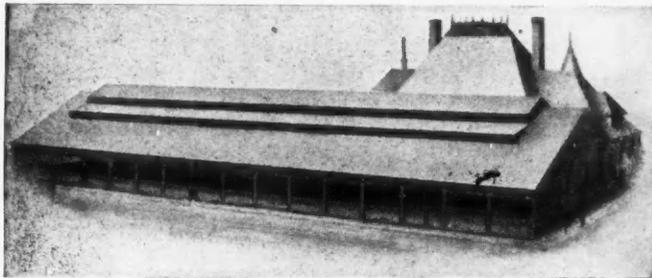
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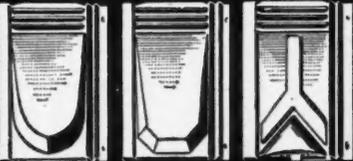
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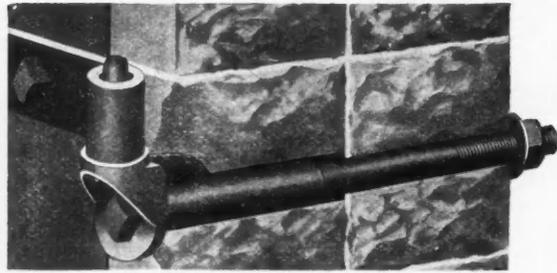
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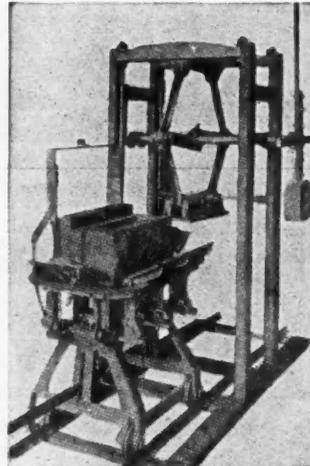
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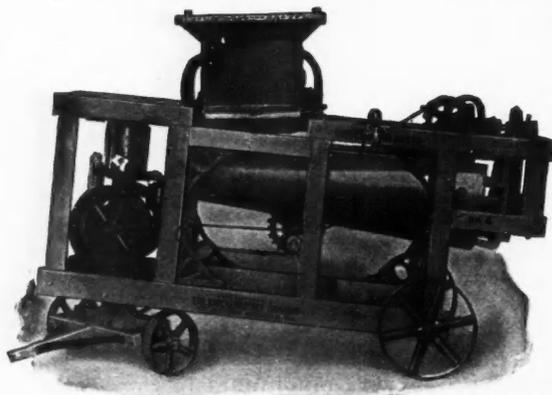
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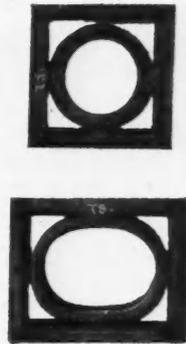
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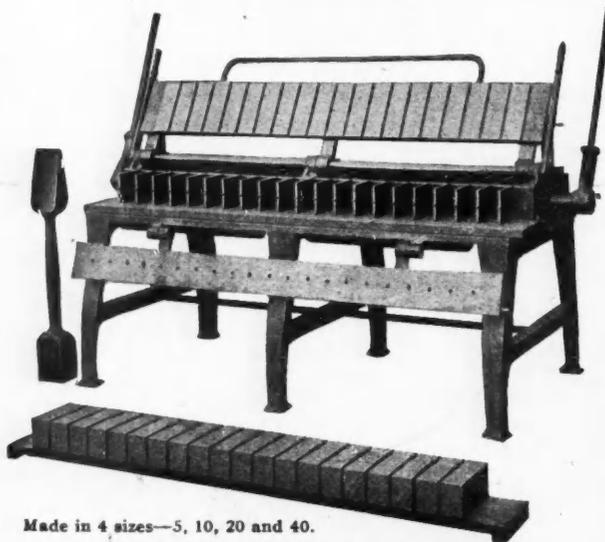
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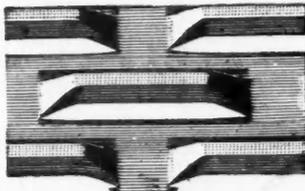
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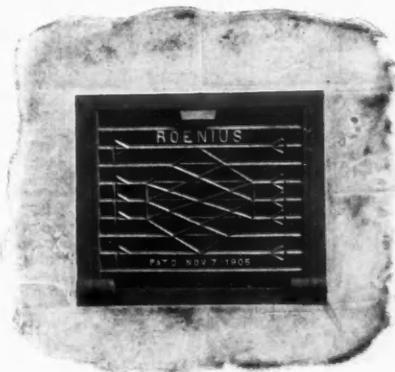
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