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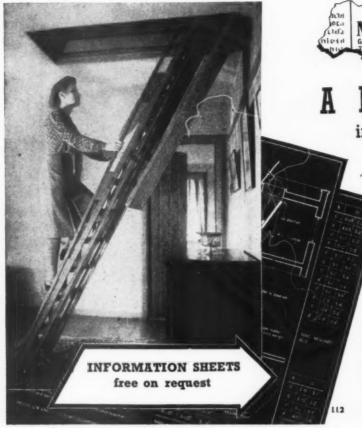
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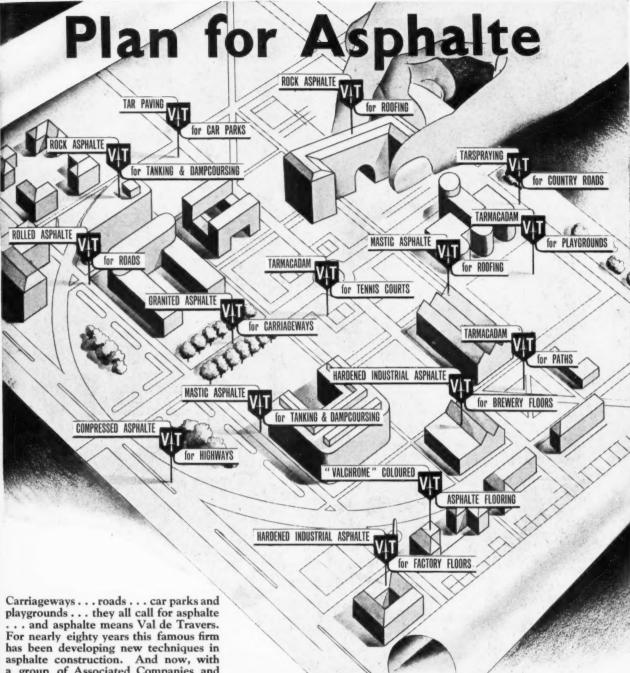
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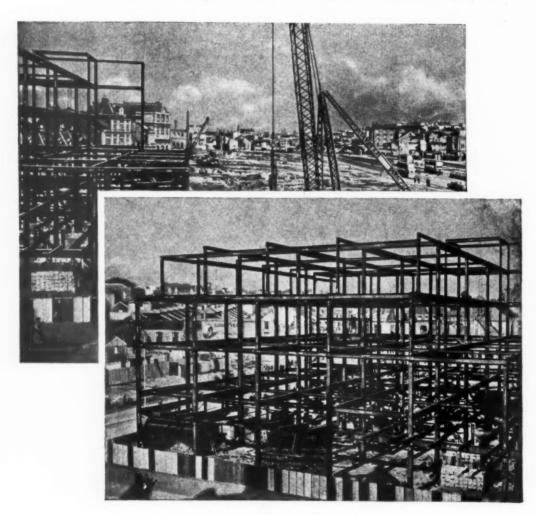
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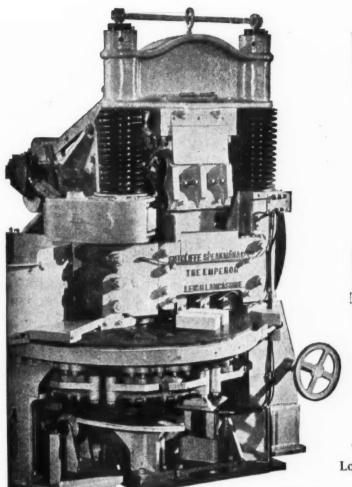


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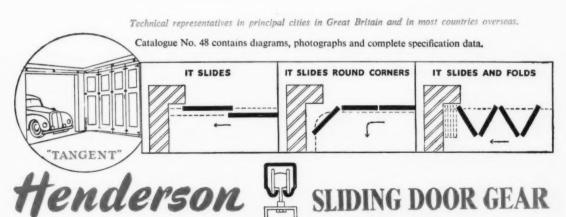




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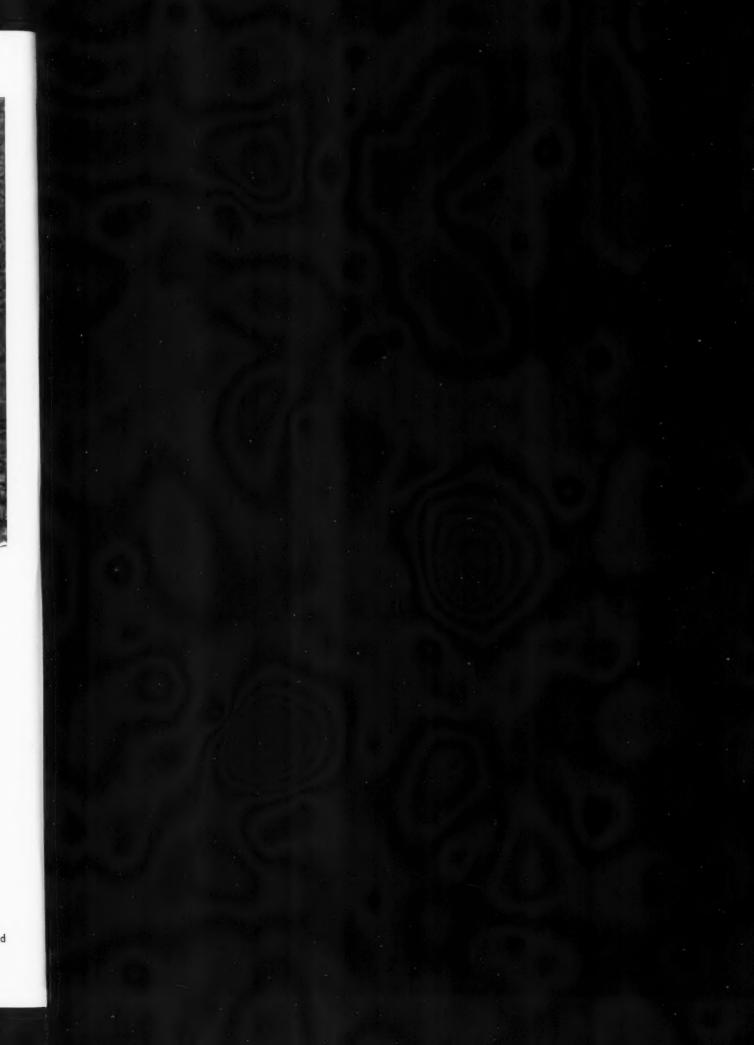
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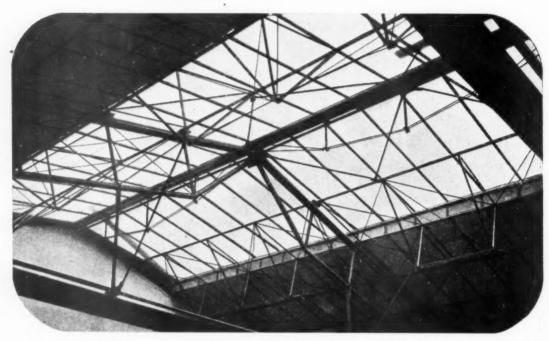
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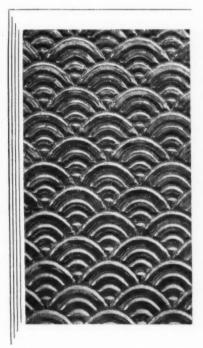
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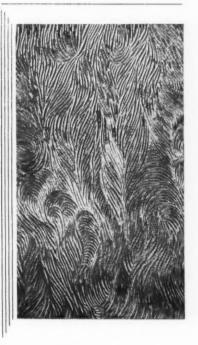


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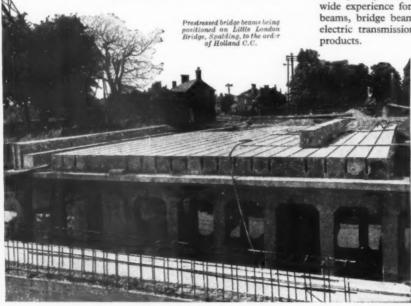
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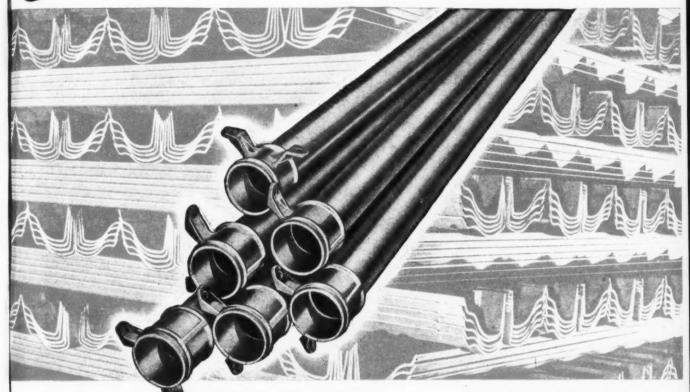




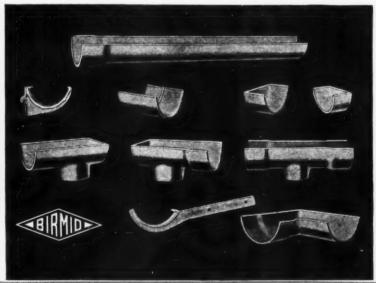
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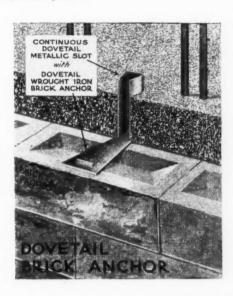
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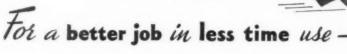
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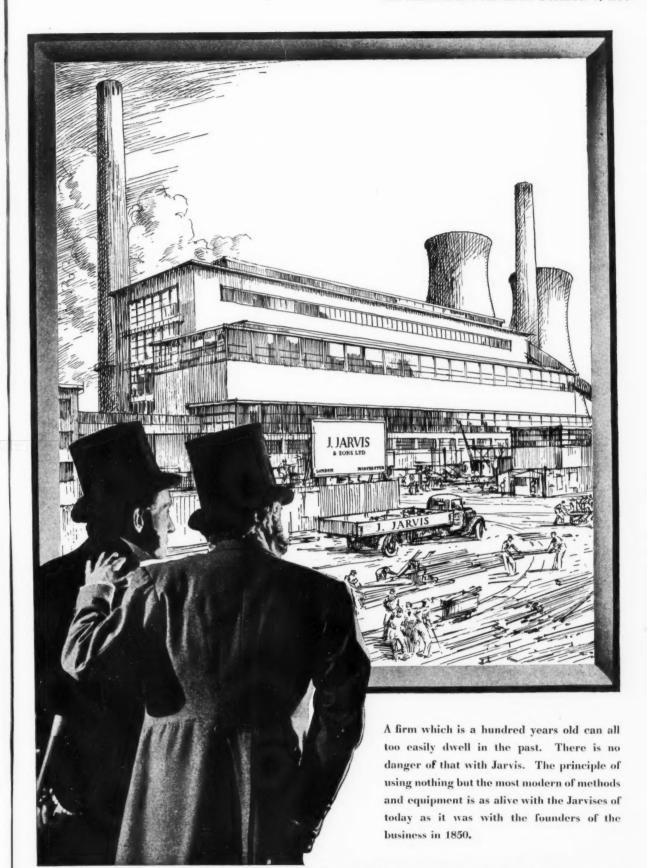
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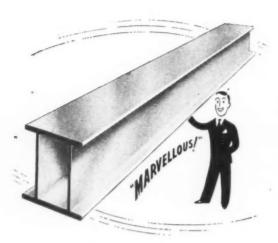
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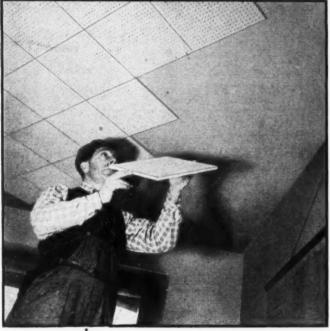
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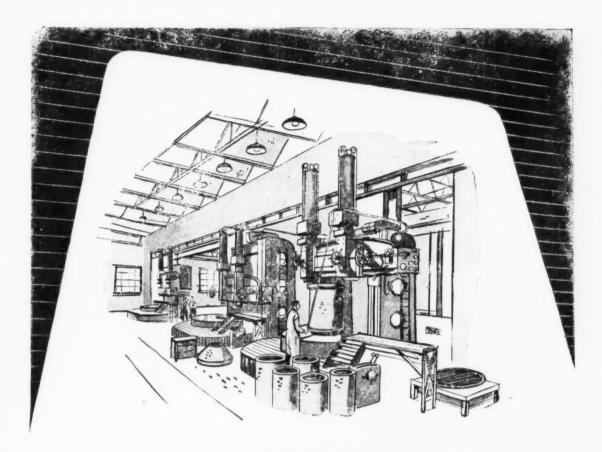
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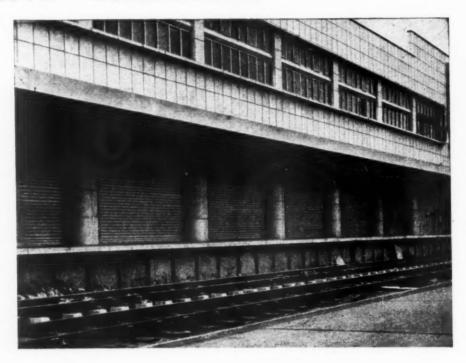
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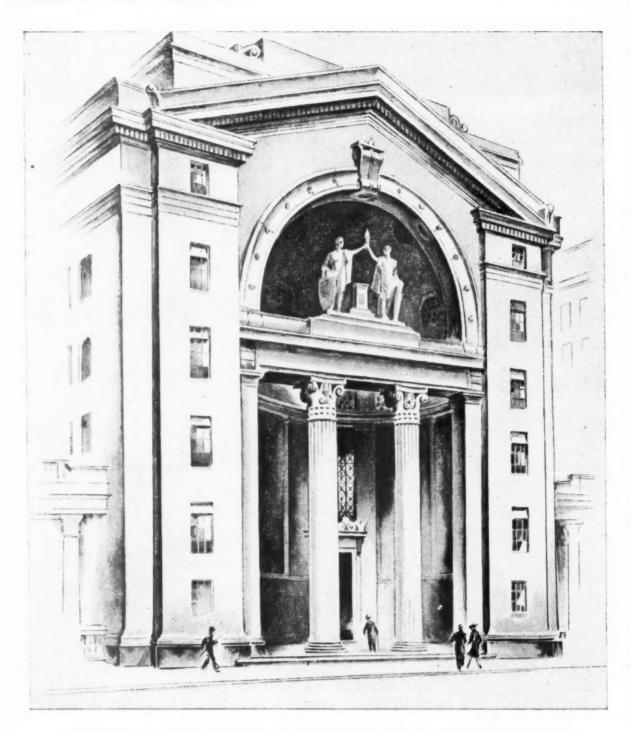
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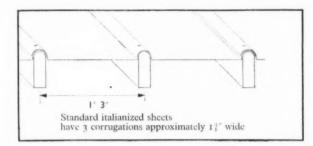
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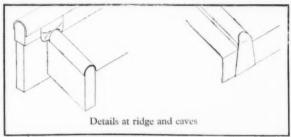
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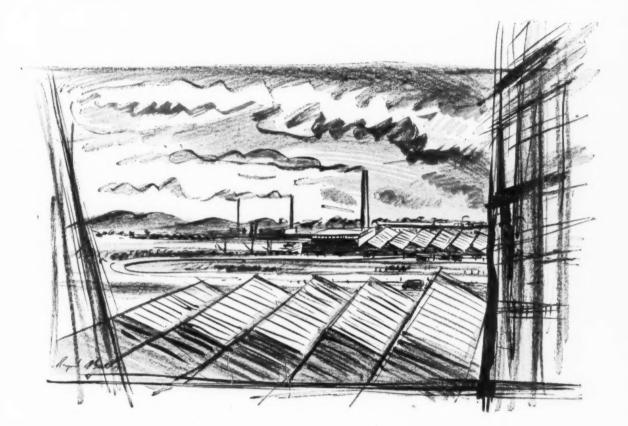
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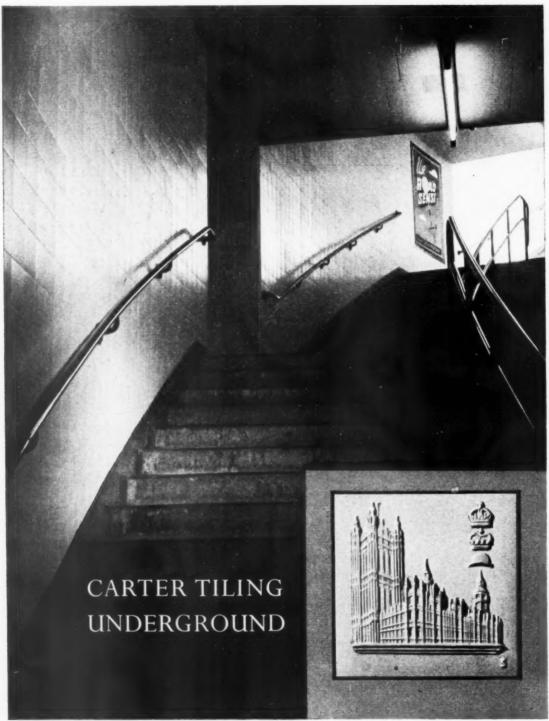


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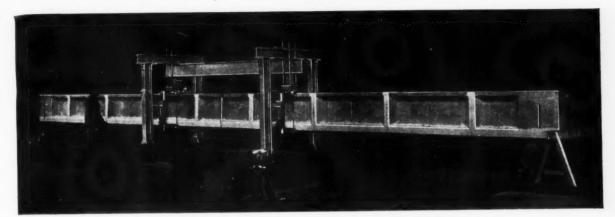
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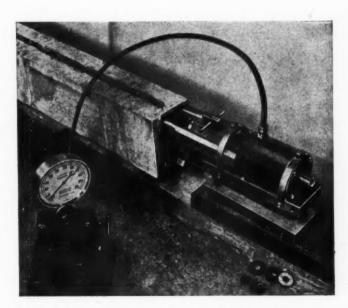


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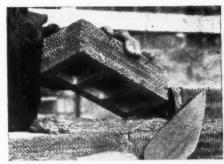
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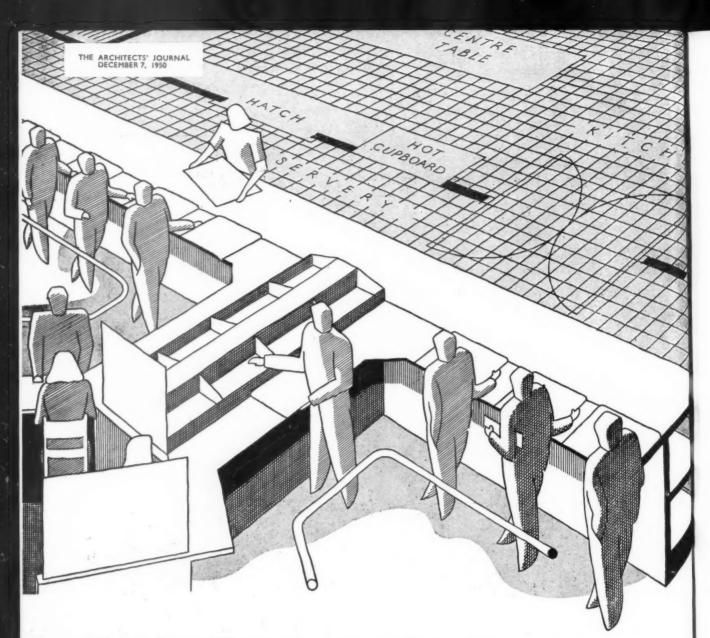
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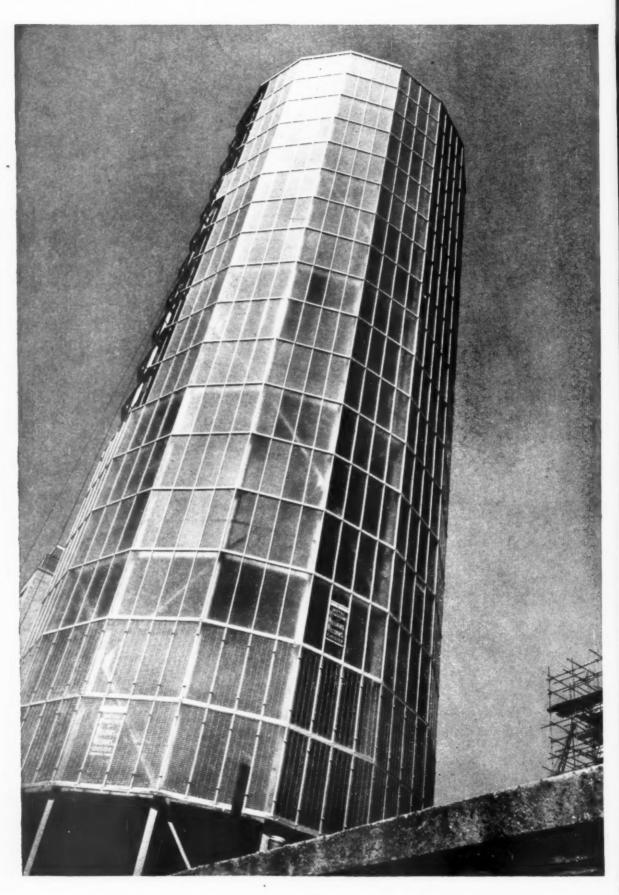
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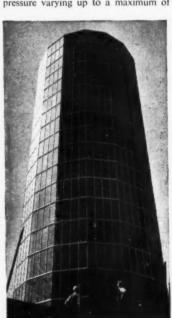
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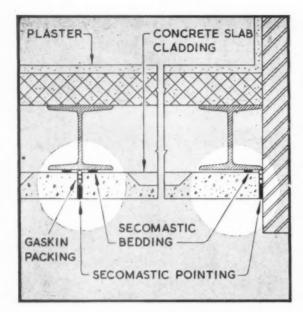
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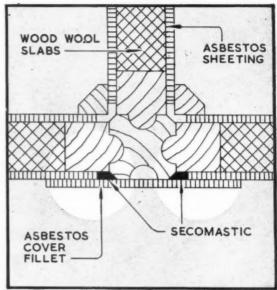
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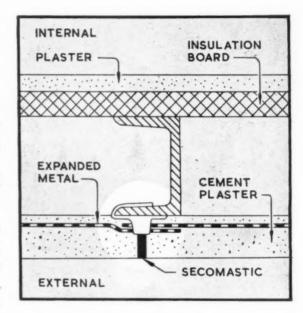
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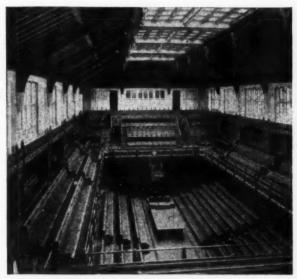
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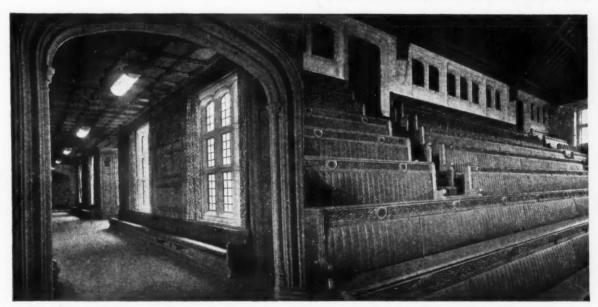
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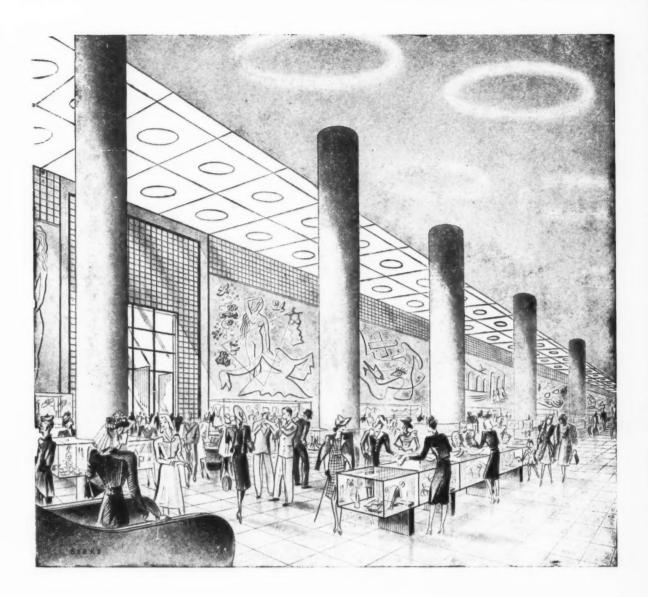
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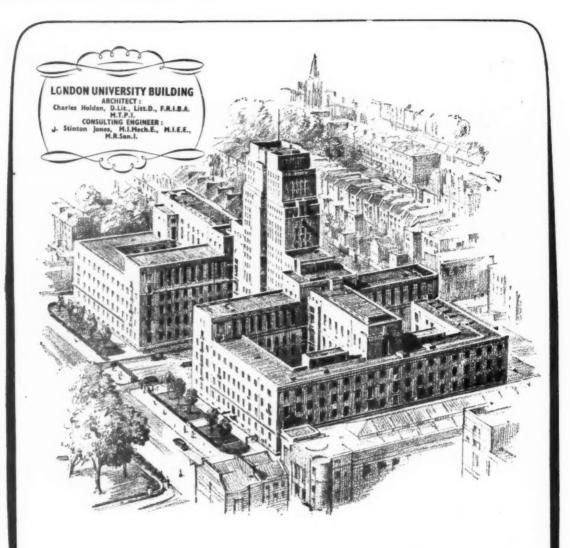
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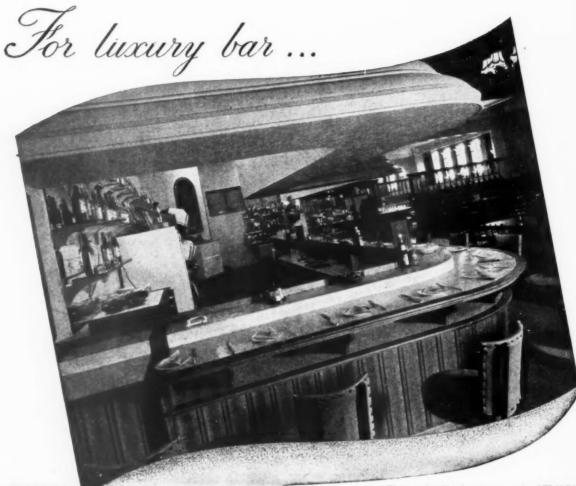
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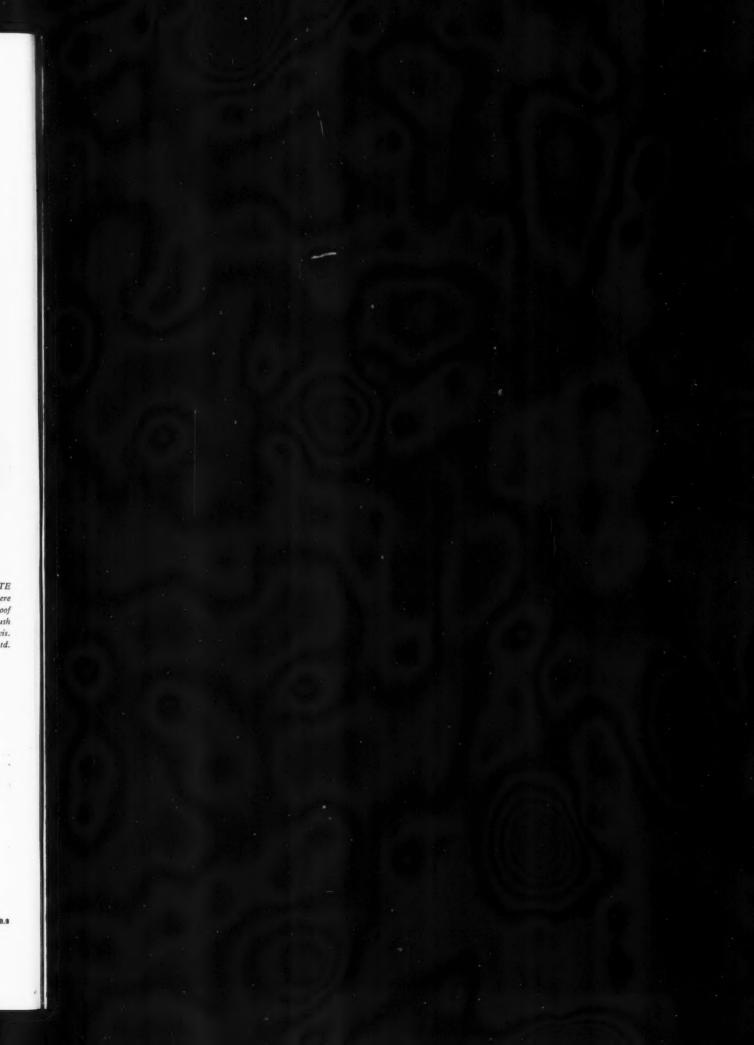
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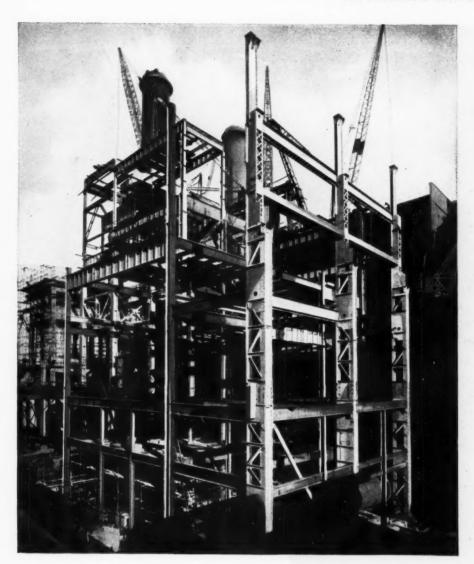
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"THE BUILDER" AND THE AA

People who imagine that the political witch-hunting that has become so fashionable nowadays is confined to America must have been astonished to read recently, in that usually very sane periodical The Builder, a leading article which seemed bent on carrying the American inquisitorial technique into the heart of English architectural education. It was written in support of a rather silly letter about communist tendencies in the AA school, and not only enlarged on the dangers the AA would be running if people with left wing ideas were allowed to teach there, but went further to include foreigners as an undesirable influence as well.

There may or may not be individuals with communist beliefs among the staff or the students of the AA; I don't know. I do know that there are a number of foreigners whose presence I welcome. I also know that a backward step would have been taken if the AA began to inquire into the political opinions of its staff and students, as suggested by The Builder: opinions which should only become the AA's concern if political activities were such as to impair their efficiency as teachers or their aptitude as students. I am particularly glad to see The Builder has received letters putting this point of view forcibly, because one danger of the American type of political inquisition is that people are made afraid to protest against the principle of inquisition, lest they be accused of being communist, too. At least we haven't reached that stage here.

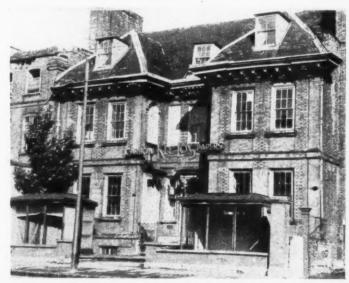
The AA president answered The Builder in exactly the right way: by a brief, dignified, factual statement of AA policy, the concluding part of which 1 cannot resist quoting because it puts the civilized point of view so well. "It will be a sad day," he said, "for what you

call (quoting from The Builder) 'the British way of life at its richest and best' when membership of professional bodies or school staffs is made subject to political tests. It is, and will contine to be, the practice of the AA to admit members, appoint staff and enrol students irrespective of their religious or political beliefs or of their nationality."

The president's letter reaffirmed the AA Council's "complete confidence in the efficiency and integrity of the teaching staff" and was supported by a spirited letter from the AA Principal which should set at rest any misgivings that may have been aroused by The Builder's publication. It will also, I hope, effectively put an end to a controversy that should never have been begun.

CROYDON ON TRIAL

"Wrencote," South Croydon, is one of the finest specimens of an early eighteenth-century town house, although it is not, as its name might sug-



"Wrencote," South Croydon. (See note: "Croydon on Trial.")



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The Duke of York's Theatre has been redecorated in the Edwardian style by Cecil Beaton and W. Wylton Todd. Above is the foyer, showing the "antique" light fittings, the new Corinthian capitals, and the effectiveness of the not lost craft of "marbleising".

gest, by Wren. Nathaniel Lloyd illustrates it in his History of the English House, and praises it highly. He describes its cornice, for example, as "one of the richest remaining examples of a period when handsome cornices were prevalent." Yet anyone who goes to look at it now will find it in a sorry state, as the photograph on page 469, taken a short while ago, shows.

The wrought-iron railings and gateway, which are shown in Nathaniel Lloyd's picture, were removed-presumably for salvage-during the war, and since the war it has belonged to a property investment company who have allowed the building to deteriorate appallingly. The front has been obstructed with show windows and

about a year ago the centre of the façade was defaced by a neon advertisement. At this time a local newspaper drew attention to its condition and the Croydon Borough Council was approached in the hope that they would save it. But they did not show themselves, I am told, very enthusiastic.

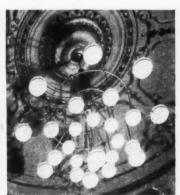
Since then worse things have threatened: a proposal by its owners to pull it down for redevelopment. A committee has now been formed, led by some local architects and calling itself The Friends of Wrencote, in order to try and save it. The Committee has at least succeeded in enlisting the support of the SPAB in order to get the house

listed as worthy of preservation. The next move is with the Borough Council, who are being pressed by the Committee to acquire the house as a Croydon Museum or for some similar purpose. It is still in good condition structurally.

Far too often, in cases like this, a Council waits till there is irresistible public demand before taking any action, but a Council surely should set a lead in seeing that the treasures of the locality are properly looked after, not wait till they are pushed. And this case is of interest far beyond the locality. The house is a national possession and the Borough Council will cause Croy-







Which is the most effective in an old theatre; fake Georgian, fake Victorian or cont mporary? Left, a copy of an oil lamp chandelier, wired for electricity, which was designed by James Brown for the Old Vic. Centre, a chandelier, in the Duke of York's Theatre, London. This was copied from an Adam chandelier. Right, an attempt to create a chandelier effect with modern lamps at the Palace Theatre, Blackpool, which has been redecorated by Frank. Mortimer.



## A Circular Feature

There are many brighter ways for towns to celebrate the Festival of Britain than by building a crematorium, as is being done at Blyth. But so far no imaginative ideas have been published. Perhaps someone might find inspiration in this charming form of street decoration. This variation

on the familiar vertical feature revolved slowly outside the main railway station at Oslo as part of the celebrations that took place during the summer months in honour of the town's nine hundredth anniversary. The swinging baskets on the wheel contained geraniums and foliage. don to be labelled a city of philistines sible to give this story a happy ending. if they do not now do every thing pos-A point of more general interest arises out of this case: in spite of the legislation that now exists whereby MOTCP lists buildings that are thereafter to a certain extent safeguarded, if the local authority does not choose to take action to see that a building is properly looked after, there is nothing the Ministry can do to stop it falling to pieces. It is, therefore, specially important that local authorities should fully value the architectural treasures they have within their boundaries.

#### CAN WE BUILD 300,000 HOUSES?

300,000 houses a year have now become a daily Press topic; experts and amateurs are all airing their opinions. In *Picture Post*, Ian Mikardo has followed Alfred Bossom with a few hearty slaps at the Building Industry, concluding that we can have the 300,000 if we can make up our minds what we would most like to do without. This seems to me more or less what I suggested last week. But I would *still* like to know if the builders say they can or cannot build the 300,000.

#### CITY ARCHITECT-ENGINEER

For the first time ever Glasgow is advertising for a City Architect. "A belated piece of foresight," as an Irish Glaswegian might say, for which I offer my congratulations. There is one snag, however. The appointed architect must also act as planning officer. Glasgow has already tried doubling a Borough Engineer in this task, with far from successful results. It is high time City Councils realized that health is not just a matter of drains and refuse collection, but also hospitals and health centres; that housing is not just a matter of habitable units, but houses, schools and open space; and that roads are not just wide or narrow traffic arteries but also an integral part of a city's pattern. In all these things the engineer, architect and planner are equally concerned.

All cities need a capable person in each of these posts; a fact which the economic difficulties of administering London made the LCC realize all too late, but which now stands as an object lesson to other cities.

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#### The Editors

#### HOUSING STANDARDS

WHILE the proportion of the National Budget available for housing is determined on the political plane, the manner in which it is used, and therefore the number of houses it represents, is largely the architect's responsibility. A complete revaluation of the requirements of the home, and a determination of the best way in which these requirements can be satisfied, is long overdue. New solutions might well prove to be more economical than accepted practice. Of course, there can be no universal solution, but one would be the small, but highly efficient, type of house described on pages 493-497 by Grenfell Baines. This should appeal particularly to young married people, and to others living under overcrowded conditions, who have not invested in a great deal of furniture.

We are most anxious that Grenfell Baines' suggestions should not be misinterpreted as a plea for lowering housing standards. The working class regard as sacrosanct standards which have taken so long to reach. Moreover, reduction of standards would be an admission of defeat and it might kill any incentive among architects, contractors, operatives and research workers to increase efficiency and productivity. As we see it, the theory behind Grenfell Baines' Reflections on Housing is that a house warmed throughout provides increased comfort, even if the floor area is far less than that of the typical local authority house or the speculative builders' "semi-detached." Although the heating and other equipment (particularly cupboards) of such a house would need to be more, not less, generous than usual, the cost might still be less than that of the traditional house. If this were so, it would be an additional advantage, but not the main argument in favour of such a policy. In any case there must be a considerable saving in building materials and labour, so that any local authority which built a certain proportion of houses of this type could increase its housing programme by an equivelant amount.

#### Technical Editor

#### CAN WE AFFORD DISTRICT HEATING?

The district heating scheme at Pimlico (described on pages 491 and 492) and the recent decision of the Paddington Borough Council to use district heating for its Bishops Bridge Road housing scheme focuses attention once again on this controversial subject. In the case of the Pimlico flats the high rents make the cost of "whole house warming" an undue burden on the tenants, but as mentioned above, on page 493 there is a well-reasoned plea for a reduction in the floor area of houses, based on the provision of warmth throughout and there seems to be little doubt that district heating is the most economical method of providing this.

The MOTCP decision that "district heating schemes shall

not be proceeded with in the new towns" is, therefore, rather It is true that the economics of district heating disappointing. depends largely on the density of building and Mr. Dalton stated in the House that in the new town where district heating had been considered "the density of building was not such as to give any probability of the scheme covering its cost". However, against the disadvantage of low density must be balanced the fact that the power stations in new towns could be designed to cater for district heating, whereas at Battersea expensive modifications had to be carried out. In any case, this is taking a very narrow view of costs. While the cost to the consumer may be fairly high, although even this should be counteracted by reduced rents, there are many savings and advantages for the nation as a whole: coal deliveries are eliminated and refuse collection reduced; fuel is savedit is estimated that the Pimlico scheme, including Dolphin Square, will save 10,000 tons per annum—and that urban scourge, atmospheric pollution, can be largely abated. It is difficult to evaluate all the advantages solely in terms of hard cash, but one might well ask "can we afford not to have district heating?"

With the high cost of living generally and high rents in particular, many families cannot afford central heating, even if it is provided relatively economically by district heating. But if there are so many advantages for the nation as a whole, surely the nation as a whole should foot the bill? The British Electricity Authority does not expect electricity supply schemes in certain rural areas to cover their costs and the losses made in these areas are shared throughout the country. It may well be worth considering whether towns in which district heating cannot cover its costs, without charges becoming excessive, should be subsidized by the rest of the country in a

similar way.

#### RETURN OF INFORMATION SHEETS

This week sees the return of Information Sheets to the JOURNAL. Judging by the telephone calls and letters received, this feature, suspended because of the printing dispute, has been greatly missed. For new readers may we point out that the Library is a collection of reference sheets, standard in size and format and covering a wide range of subjects connected with architecture and the building industry.

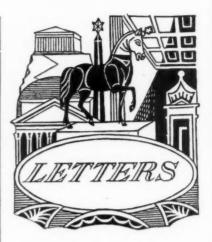
The organization of the Library involves the selection, preparation, revision and distribution of technical material of all kinds, the criterion being that all material selected for publication shall be, first and foremost, of value to the

practising architect.

All Sheets published are kept constantly under review and when revisions are necessary these are noted in the Technical

Section of the JOURNAL.

May we also remind readers that, as announced in our leading article on November 9, we are resuming Working Detail sheets. The first of these will appear on January 4, 1951.



T. H. M. Nesbitt, A.R.I.B.A.

#### The New Old Vic

SIR,-I was interested to read ASTRAGAL'S comment on the alterations to the Old Vic theatre, but think it is a pity that your frontispiece photograph of the new torestage, did not show its relationship with the rest of the auditorium.

It seems to me that since, as ASTRAGAL mentions, the "idea" of a forestage is not new, the precise architectural handling of it in relation to the auditorium was the essential problem with which the architect of the Old Vic was faced. The provision of a forestage is one method of linking more closely the actor and his audience, but does not necessarily succeed in linking architecturally the auditorium and the stage.

In attempting to do this the architect of the Old Vic has provided a third and quite distinct architectural element, neither auditorium, nor stage, but serving both, and this method is by no means without histori-

cal precedent.

ASTRAGAL says, however, that this stage is "the most significant innovation in the history of the British theatre for the past fifty years". Apart from the eighteenth century use of such methods, I would like to draw his attention to the number of the Architectural Review devoted to the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre at Stratford-

on-Avon (June, 1932).

Mr. Jellicoe's description of the theatre leaves no doubt that its intention "plastically" and dramatically was precisely the same as that of the Old Vic. "On the forestage, the actor becomes player, part of the audience" while behind him, within the picture frame, the stage is fully equipped, as in the Old Vic, with all the "paraphenalia of illusion".

In both these cases, however, the method, although very different in decorative treat-ment, is architecturally the same—the provision of a third element which, while it links the actor and the audience, may by its different architectural character serve to divorce the auditorium from the stage.

The effect of this is, of course, to deprive the producer of any real freedom, since if he decides not to use the forestage, the inner stage is so effectively separated from the audience that to "act over" it becomes extremely difficult.

Dramatically then, intimacy is possible for the imaginative producer and actor. Architecturally there remains a very close equiva-lent to the "mystical abyss" of the lent to the

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#### Recent News

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Architects' Benevolent Society Centenary Appeal: The Council approved a donation of £250 to the Architects' Benevolent Society Centenary Appeal. This is additional to the Institute's annual grant.

The RIBA Council recently considered a report concerning the transfer of responsi-bility for housing at Southampton from the borough architect to the borough engineer and it was agreed to protest to the borough council at what was considered a retrograde step, detrimental to the best interests of architecture in the borough.

The Council has approved a memorandum of evidence prepared by a sub-committee of the Salaried and Official Architects' Committee for submission to the Treasury Committee which is sitting under the chairmanship of Sir Thomas Gardiner, to consider and advise on the future organization. sider and advise on the future organization, structure and remuneration of the profes-sional classes of the civil service.

The Council has approved a joint recom-mendation of the Executive Committee and mendation of the Executive Committee and the Practice Committee that negotiations should be opened with the MOH with a view to withdrawing the present scale of fees for State-aided housing schemes and substituting a new scale calculated on a percentage basis applicable to all forms of housing financed by public monies.

#### MOTCP

## Buildings in Ely Listed

The Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, Ely, and three other churches in the city have been listed by the MOTCP as buildings of special architectural and historic interest. The churches are the Parish Church of St.

The churches are the Parish Church of St. Mary, the Church of St. Michael, Chettisham, and the Church of St. Mary, Stuntney.

College buildings listed include Ely Porta, the Barn and Stables to the South, and Guest Quarters of the Monastery and subsidiary buildings, the Guest Hall and subsidiary buildings including the Headmaster's House, Bishop's House (Prior's House) and residences incorporating the remains of the

Infirmary and including the Chapel. The Bishop's Palace, Palace Green, is also

### New Chairman for New Town

The Minister of Town and Country Planning has appointed H. W. Wells to be chairman of the Hemel Hempstead Development Corporation in place of Lord Reith who has resigned from the chairman-Mr. Wells has been a member of the to 1946 he was with the Ministry of Town and Country Planning where he held the post of Chief Estates Officer. In October, 1949 he was appointed vice-chairman of the Bracknell Development Corporation.

#### Woodland Kent Areas Preserved

The Minister of Town and Country Planning, Hugh Dalton, has confirmed a Tree Preservation Order for trees and groups of trees, and seven woodland areas in the Wilderness Estate, Seal, Sevenoaks. Chance Wood, the largest woodland area on the estate, is considered the second of the setate, is considered to the setate of the finest based woods. sidered to be one of the finest beech woods in Kent.

## DIARY

Modern Building Exhibition. At Hammersmith School of Building, Lime Grove, Shepherds Bush, London. 10.30 a.m. to 8.30 p.m., including Saturday, December 9. UNTIL DEC. 13

Good Practice in Domestic Drainage. F. J. Crabb. At the Physics Lecture Theatre, Royal Fort, Bristol, 8. (Sponsor, MOW.) 7.30 p.m.

Demonstrations of Stud Welding for Building Construction. At the Engineering Centre, 351, Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow. 10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. UNTIL DEC. 7

Architectural Control and Criticism. J. M. Richards. At 21, King Street, W.C.2. (Sponsor, Students' Planning Group.) 6.15 DEC. 7 The Behaviour of Clay in Foundations. Professor W. Fisher Cassie. At Creighton School, Strand Road, Carlisle. (Sponsor, MOW.) 7 p.m. Dec. 7

Composition and Applications of Paint.
L. A. Walker. At Walker Hall Technical
College, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury.
(Sponsor, MOW.) 7 p.m. DEC. 7

London Housing. Peter Shepheard talks about the Westminster City Council's housing scheme at Pimlico in relation to other large housing projects in London. BBC Third Programme. 8.40 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Economy in Traditional House Building. N. S. Pippard. At Hammersmith School of N. S. Pippard. At Hanninershita Scheme Grove, Building and Arts and Crafts, Lime Grove, Shepherds Bush, W.12. (Sponsor, MOW.)
DEC. 12

Soane: The Case-History of a Personal Style. John Summerson. At 66, Portland Place, W.1. (Sponsor, RIBA.) 6 p.m. DEC. 12

The Development of the Tungsten Lamp. B. P. Dudding. At the Lighting Service Bureau, 2, Savoy Hill, W.C.2. (Sponsor, IES.) 6 p.m. Dec. 12

The Economics of Housing. Mrs. Layton (of "The Economist"). At 13, Suffolk Street, S.W.1. (Sponsor, HC.) 1.15 p.m. DEC. 12

Some Noise Problems and Their Solution. W. Allen. At City Museum, Park Row, Leeds. (Sponsor, MOW.) 7.15 p.m. DEC. 12

At Building Plastering, H. Andrews, At Building Department, Technical College, Cauldon Place, Stoke. (Sponsor, MOW.) 7.15 p.m. Cauldon DEC. 12

Essentials of Good Concreting. S. White. At YMCA, Little Theatre, Fawcett Street, Sunderland. (Sponsor, MOW.) 7 p.m. Dec. 12

The Non-Destructive Testing of Concrete. R. Jones. At 11, Upper Belgrave Street, S.W.1. (Sponsor, RCA.) 6 p.m. Dec. 13

Planning Slough's Future. Fenner Brockway. At 21, King Street, W.C.2. (Sponsor, TCPA.) 6.15 p.m. Dec. 13

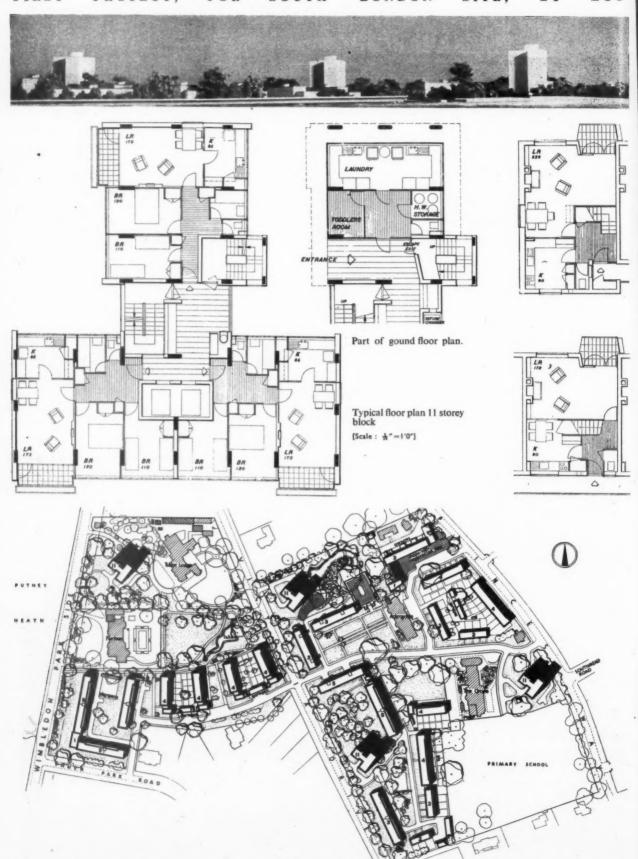
Essentials of Good Concreting. S. White. At Lecture Hall, Literary and Philosophical Society, Westgate Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (Sponsor, MOW.) 7 p.m. DEC. 13

Good Practice in Domestic Drainage. F. J. Crabb. At the Town Hall, Devizes. (Sponsor, MOW.) 7.30 p.m. Dec. 14



The interior of the Dome of Discovery on the Festival of Britain site: a recent photo.

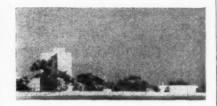
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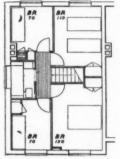


The site, The London County Council Estate at Princes Way and Wimbledon Park Side, Wandsworth

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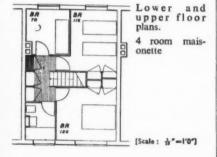
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Lower and upper floor plans.

room maisonette



In these four columns we illustrate the first plans to be produced by the newly created Housing Division of the London County Council's Architects' Department. A full description of the scheme is given in the adjoining columns. Top, the site from the south. Below, a " point" block from the east. (For further illustrations see page 415 in our issue of November 23.)



#### Proposed Housing Scheme

A scheme for the development of three housing sites at Princes Way and Wimbledon Park Side, which was approved by the LCC last week, is illustrated on this and the opposite page, Robert H. Matthew, Architect to the Council, is responsible for this scheme, together with Dr. J. L. Martin, Deputy Architect to the Council which have been developed. tect, the details of which have been developed in the Housing Division under Whitfield Lewis, the Principal Housing Architect, and Lewis, the Principal Housing Architect, and Michael Powell, Assistant Housing Architect, in close collaboration with the Town Planning Division, under the Senior Planning Officer, A. J. Ling. Housing Division officers who worked on this scheme were: C. A. Lucas, H. G. Gillett, A. W. Barr, E. Moholi, A. P. Roach, J. Partridge. Planning Division officers were J. M. Hirsch and Miss J. L. Gardner. Gardner

These sites have called for special architectural and planning consideration. comprise the grounds and, in some cases, the properties of large Victorian and Edwardian houses, all surrounded by fine trees, appropriate landscaping, and special garden features. Ackroyden in Princes Way, for instance, has over an acre of grounds including a learn law with a such acres. ing a large lawn with a sunk garden.

A scheme of mixed development has been planned and designed which, as far as prac-ticable, will preserve the mansions and the open character of the sites with their trees and landscape and garden features, so that they may be enjoyed by the new inhabitants (1,500 to 1,600 people).

With these considerations in mind and in order to achieve the desired density two types order to achieve the desired density two types of building have been specially designed—
"point" blocks and superimposed maisonettes. Point blocks. These are eleven-storey
T-shaped blocks of flats nearly 100 feet high, T-shaped blocks of flats nearly 100 feet high, with small site coverage. Each block contains thirty-two flats, three on each floor except the ground floor which contains two flats and a laundry. The chief advantages of the "point" blocks are:—

(i) The comparatively small ground coverage gives a greater flexibility in siting the block are the samples existing trees to be be re-

blocks, enables existing trees to be preserved and effects a saving in access roads with a correspondingly better relationship between the natural and paved areas. The extra space around the blocks is available for the recreational use of tenants.

(ii) Most of the occupants of the flats will get full benefit from the fine views over the open country, particularly as each flat has windows on three sides.

(iii) Careful siting in clearings surrounded by fine trees will give contrast and variety to the layout as a whole which includes lower blocks of flats, maisonettes and houses. The uninteresting effect of rows of five-storey blocks which would otherwise be necessary to achieve the same density is avoided.

(iv) The complete vertical standardization of the "point" block enables full advantage to be taken of modern reinforced

concrete technique.

The T-shaped design places each flat in a separate wing and windows on three sides, give a wide range of aspect and maximum sunlight. In the central "core" there will be two lifts, the main staircase and an enclosed staircase as alternative means of escape. To economize in capital and maintenance costs the lifts will stop on alternate floors and this arrangement will ensure that if one lift fails tenants will not have to walk more than one floor up or down. A large balcony (42 square feet) forms a valuable addition to the living room and could be used as a play space for small children. There is space for a perambulator in the hall. The floors will be insulated against impact noise. An all-electric installation will be provided for space heating, hot water supply and cooker but the blocks will be carcassed for

gas services to enable tenants to have the

alternative of a gas-fire and gas-cooker. The estimated average cost per room including gas and electrical installations and incidental expenses is £699. This somewhat high cost can be offset, however, by savings in the cost of the lower blocks, and in the scheme for the combined sites economies have been achieved by a balanced distribution of three-and five-storey blocks (of both staircases and balcony access) and dwellings in a new type of superimposed maisonette which although providing a higher standard of accommodaproviding a higher standard of accommodation and amenity than flats, are cheaper to build than the existing type and attract the full rate of subsidy for flats.

Superimposed Maisonettes. The new type of superimposed maisonettes is designed as

an alternative to flats for use in schemes of mixed development where density considera-tions enable them to be used. The chief advantages of the new types are:-

(i) Slightly larger rooms.
(ii) Better lighting in habitable rooms, as the access balcony passes only in front of the kitchen and hall, and greater privacy by having the bedrooms above the living rooms, etc., as in a two-storey house.

(iii) The provision of separate gardens for

the tenants of each maisonette.

The plan is basically a three-bedroom maisonette with a four-bedroom variation at the ends of the block. The accommodation the ends of the block. The accommodation provided in each maisonette comprises, on the lower floor, an entrance hall with fuel store and separate wc, a living room and a kitchen which is large enough for occasional dining; on the upper floor three bedrooms, a linen cupboard with hot water cylinder, storage cupboards and a bathroom with a second wc. All living rooms have French windows opening on to a semi-recessed private balcony. vate balcony.

Economies have been effected in planning and structural costs and the estimated cost a room, including gas and electrical installa-

tions and incidental expenses is £425.

The scheme as a whole. The combined sites have an area of about 23 acres and the sites have an area of about 23 acres and the development scheme envisages four of the new eleven-storey "point" blocks, one five-storey and two three-storey blocks, each with staircase access, two three-storey, one four-storey and two five-storey blocks, each with balcony access, eight of the new type of superimposed maisonette blocks, eight shops with maisonettes above and sixteen four-roomed terraced houses. The total housing accommodation will be 314 flats, 106 maisonettes and 16 houses at a density of develop-eites and 16 houses at a density of developettes and 16 houses at a density of development of 26-8 dwellings to the acre. There will be six fitted laundries, two fitted play-grounds, 32 garages, 178 perambulator sheds

and stores, and an estate workshop and yard.

The "point" blocks will be situated on three sites with landscape and other features which are said to make them particularly suitable for this form of development and on a fourth site chosen so as to complete an even distribution over the whole area. The lower blocks will be grouped around a series of related "greens" linked by roads and paths. Contrast will be provided by the occasional glimpse of a "point" block rising amongst the trees.

The scheme provides for the reservation of 8.08 acres for a primary school, 0.5 acre for the widening of Wimbledon Park Side to 70 feet, and a site for a public house. Existing buildings, namely Tudor Lodge, Fairlawn, The Grove, Ackroyden and six smaller dwellings occupy nearly four acres of the area. A nursery school will be accommodated in either The Grove or a new building on the same site. Tudor Lodge is to be used for a children's home. The future use of the other properties is still under consideration.

The estimated total cost of the development, including electrical and gas installa-tions and planting and incidental expenses, is £855,950, and the gross average cost a room of the housing accommodation is £585. The comparable cost of the Putney Park Lane scheme, adjusted to present-day prices, is



After some weeks of absence from our pages Ernest Watkins resumes this feature covering aspects of legislation, parliamentary news or statutory rules and regulations which are of special significance to the architectural profession.

#### ERNEST WATKINS

# The Architect and Current Affairs

Any column, after an interruption, is bound to look something like a scrapbook; an uneasy combination of an attempt to cover a lot of ground and yet preserve some sense of arrangement and continuity. With that apology, I plunge into the thick of it. The item with the widest implications came from the Central Land Board. The second phase of the valuation of claims on

that apology, I plunge into the thick of it. The item with the widest implications came from the Central Land Board. The second phase of the valuation of claims on the Compensation Fund for loss of development rights is starting. The first phase was the rejection outright of those claims which disclosed no valid basis under the 1947 Act. The second is the assessment, by district valuers, of the amounts of those claims that are accepted as having a valid basis. There, the district valuer will issue, on behalf of the Board, a "notice of statement of proposed development value". If the claimant accepts the figure—that is, if he does not put in an objection to the figure within 60 days—the Board will make their determination based on that figure. If the claimant does object, he must lodge his objection, and a statement of the reasons on which it is based, within the 60 days. The Board then makes its determination in the light of the information before it. If the claimant again disputes the Board's determination, he has a right of appeal (to the Lands Tribunal) within 30 days thereafter. The times of the objection and the appeal are different, and important. Clearly, in all cases where there is any doubt in the mind of a claimant over the amount offered on behalf of the Board, he should keep his rights alive by objection and appeal. It is likely that a number of appeals will raise the same point of principle and the decisions of the Lands Tribunals will be of very great interest.

I felt considerable interest, too, in the news of a meeting at the beginning of October between MOTCP and the County

Councils of the area likely to be included in the Peak National Park. The issue raised there was really a continuation of the arguments that went on while the National Parks Bill was being debated as a Bill. It was this: Should the authority made responsible for a national park be a separate Joint Board or should the existing and separate planning authorities in the area remain separately responsible but linked for common action by means of a Joint Advisory Committee? The County Councils were all in tavour of retaining their separate authority, all against surrender to a Joint Board. The Minister was adamant the other way.

There is this much to be said for the County Councils' arguments. To surrender planning authority over the areas included in a national park to a Joint Board will

There is this much to be said for the County Councils' arguments. To surrender planning authority over the areas included in a national park to a Joint Board will inevitably mean that the planning of the area surrendered will be dominated by the idea that it is part of a national park, part of a place of beauty set aside for recreation. All development inconsistent with that will be discouraged. The emphasis will be on the needs of those who use the area as a park, most of whom will be casual visitors to the area with no permanent interests there. The cement works in the valley will be no more than an eyesore; it will be no concern of theirs that it is a source of local employment. It may be that some such price as this must be paid for each national park, but it is as well to realise that there is a price to be paid, and paid, most likely, by some of the local inhabitants.

On the other hand, it is inevitable, and

On the other hand, it is inevitable, and desirable, that at some stage in the development of local government some solid attempt should be made to break down the intense conservatism of the existing authorities, that the existing county and county borough councils should be made (and it has come to that) to accept that their areas are not sacrosanct. Too many responsibilities have been taken away from local authorities because their areas did not permit them to discharge those responsibilities well. Area is a very real barrier which every attempt to reform local government has encountered and from which, so far, it has recoiled. Counties and county boroughs seem incapable of agreeing to any change, which means that change can only be imposed on them from above. I believe that the development areas and the new towns would have been better organised by Joint Boards, not by the present overlap of existing and new bodies. Hence the importance of the stand over Joint Boards for national parks. If the wedge isn't inserted somewhere

Other items on my list are now in danger of being telescoped. The High Court has ruled that the Crystal Palace Trustees hold the Crystal Palace land for charitable purposes and are therefore exempt from liability to pay development charge. This, at least, means one obstacle the less in the way of the rebuilding of the Palace area, and perhaps a general freeing of MOTCP's attitude to similar activities. Now that the last building on the Palace site has been burnt down, will something be done there soon—possibly financed by the profits of next year's Festival?

next year's Festival?

A departmental committee has reported on the qualifications needed by planning officers. What is required is "a creative and imaginative faculty of mind, a power of synthesis and a broad human understanding". Translated into academic terms, this means a normal degree course in an established subject, plus a specific post-graduate course in the technicalities of planning operations themselves.

May I suggest one additional need for the successful planner? It is a capacity for sustained perseverence in the face of both active and passive opposition.

Raglan Squire, the JOURNAL's guest editor, in consultation with the firm of Arcon, has invited architects working in two "group practice" offices to describe their experiences of this system. Below is the first article, by the Architects' Co-operative.

#### ARCON

#### Group Practice

The editors of this JOURNAL have suggested to us that young architects today have a choice between public offices and private practice, and that to those who tavour private practice some form of group practice often seems more desirable than a one man band.

We would not wish what follows to be interpreted as an argument for private practice, tor our minds are open to arguments both for and against, and we are all too aware of the limitations of the small private organization in face of the real and urgent problems of building today. If it is an argument for anything, it is for the harmonious working group as distinct from the soloist.

Group practice may mean almost anything. The form it takes in Architects' Co-operative is in a sense arbitrary, a product of its time and the circumstances of its growth. By starting afresh today, instead of in 1939, the form might well be different. But we have been asked to explain ourselves, not to speculate.

The Architects' Co-operative Partnership was formed in the spring of 1939 by a group of eleven, all contemporaries at the AA. We had been together at the AA during the exciting period of the latter 'thirties, and behind the barricades, as it were, had worked together with an identity of outlook which, on leaving, we were loath to see dissipated. Had we left the AA ten years later we might have tried to join a large public department, but such was not our mood then. For better or worse we wished to work as an independent group; meanwhile we were fragmentized in salaried employment of one sort or another, meeting together in the evenings to argue and to speculate.

The speculation crystallized into the partnership, with a capital of ten pounds a head and a primitive basement office. We aimed to build a full working group gradually, starting with a couple of partners working full time and the others only in the evening. The salaries earned externally were to be equalized, and a proportion set aside to help subsidize the full-time parters. We planned that as work increased more partners would be brought in to work full time; in a lean period the process could be reversed.

Owing to this method of building up the practice the question of employing assistants scarcely arose. The employment of an assistant would have delayed the full-time employment of a partner, at least until all partners were working full time in the group. And in 1939 that felt a

long way off, as indeed it was. But we were opposed to the employment of assistants for another reason, atthough we appreciated that there might be economic arguments in their favour. We telt that the sort of architecture we wanted to prothe sort of architecture we wanted to produce could not be delegated, even in detail, and that it demanded our designing and co-ordinating the smallest elements in a building and not only the larger ideas. The conception, so frequent in practice as we then saw it, of the principal with the general scheme and the assistants who had to make it work was anotherns to use It. to make it work, was anathema to us. It must also be added, in honesty, that we had egalitarian ideals into whose spacious framework it was difficult to fit the employee.

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#### ADVANTAGES OF GROUP WORKING

Apart from the fact that working in a group came naturally and congenially to us, owing to the AA background which us, owing to the AA background which we held in common, and apart from our conviction that we could produce better work together than in isolation, we felt that a group organization would have advantages in enabling us to work out and to support a more efficient administrative machinery, and to embrace a wider range of technical knowledge, than would otherwise have been possible.

We proposed that it should be the responsibility of each partner to become well ponsibility of each partner to become well informed on a particular branch of technical knowledge and also on a particular category of building types, so that the firm would comprise not merely a number of architects but also an equal number of minor specialist consultants. This tidy ideal has become blurred and imprecise, specialist knowledge having been acquired unevenly following the demands of particular jobs. But we mention it for what it is worth.

The outoreak of war dispersed the group; The outoreak of war dispersed the group; but oy good fortune two partners remained, intermittently, as a nucleus, a salaried "archiects' department." to an inoustrial concern. This provided some continuity, however tenuous, and the opportunity to establish a basis of administration and method of working which was to be invaluable later. By the end of the war this nucleus found itself, as a result of wartime work, with its first big job. Along with other and smaller commissions this was capable of absorbing the first few partners. capaoie of aosorbing the first few partners who returned to civil life. Others came in from external employment as soon as the practice could support them. Without this big job, and the patronage behind it, it would have been economically impossible for the group to re-form rapialy, and it is doubtful whether it would otherwise have doubtful whether it would otherwise have re-formed at all.

During the first year or so after the war the proolems of running a group partnership were simple. There were no assistants; the majority of partners were working on the same job; the office had few enough jobs to make group discussion very easy and fruitful, and everyone knew what everyone else was doing. The difficult everyone eise was doing. The difficult problems were to come later, when the volume of work increased.

Except that we now employ assistants the form of organization that we evolved at this time has not materially changed. All members of the firm, except secretarial staff, were partners, and all were equal in status and salary. None, to use Orwell's phrase, was more equal than others.

Jobs were done by the firm, and not necessarily by the partner who was first approached by the client. Partners worked in pairs as far as possible, one in charge of a job and the other as deputy. Usually

of a job and the other as deputy. Usually the deputy was himself in charge of another job. No one partner was general

manager for all jobs: each job was administered independently, but to a common pattern which was the result of much discussion and many pro-formas, most of which have now disappeared having served their purpose in standardizing procedure.

#### ADMINISTRATION

The responsibility for the administrative background of the office was split up functionally amongst partners, the principal divisions being premises and office equipment; finance and income tax; the organization of technical information; the organization of technical information; the periodic analysis and co-relation of time records, overneads and job costing; the standardization of certain types of correspondence; the production of check lists and routine procedures for jobs; and the overall programming of office work on all jobs.

A weekly meeting of all partners was held at which policy and general administrative matters were decided, or reterred to partners for working out and recommendations, and at which progress on each job was reported by the partner in charge. Normally this formed the first half of the agenda. In the second half, design problems on a specific job were discussed. Frequently this resulted in tangible designing work being completed round the table; ing work being completed round the table; at other times work might be generally criticized and the lines of a different solution suggested. Design rested ultimately with the partner in charge, but his work remained a group responsibility and was generally strongly influenced and improved by group criticism and contributions. by group criticism and contributions.

Finally, at about half yearly intervals, week-end conferences were held at which general policy was reviewed and the lines of future development decided in principle. These were usually fairly carefully prepared, and papers for discussion were cir-culated in advance. Our files groan with the proceedings of these week-ends, but we suspect that without such formalities there might still be no files at all.

#### DIFFICULTIES OF GROUP WORKING

We have explained how our particular form of group partnership grew and some-thing of our method of working and organi-We have mentioned that originally sation. We have mentioned that originally the problems of running such a group were simple, but that the difficulties began when the volume of work increased. It is with these difficulties that we now wish to deal. They are, presumably, not peculiar to us, but would be shared by any group.

Our original ideal was that all partners should work together as a group on a job, doing all the administration and drawing doing all the administration and drawing work themselves. Starting from scratch, we imagined that when the back of the first job had been broken, half the group would move on to a new job as their primary responsibility and become only secondarily concerned with the original one, and that the partners remaining responsible for the original job would be only secondarily concerned. original job would be only secondarily con-cerned with the new one. Our first post-war job happened to be a large one and it was possible initially to work very much in this way. But the method is quite impracticable, of course, unless a regular and conveniently phased flow of jobs can be assured, and it broke down as soon as a number of small or medium-sized and entirely dissimilar jobs or medium-sized and entirely dissimilar jobs came into the office and had to be dealt with simultaneously. It was at this stage that each job was allotted two partners, one in charge and one as deputy, one job being handled by Messrs. A and B, another by B and C, and another by C and A, and so on.

In practice we found at first that this worked unevenly, for the job for which a partner was primarily responsible was fre-quently so pressing that he was physically quently so pressing that he was physically incapable of doing more than take a background place in the job in which he was deputy. Thus there was a tendency for partners to work in isolation, not by any means from choice but entirely through pressure of work, stretch the working day though one might. Although this was mitigated by ad hoc consultations and by the weekly meetings at which jobs were discussed and criticized, it was clear that the method of working was getting a long way from the closely knit system of our original intentions. intentions.

We have explained why we did not originally envisage or desire the employment of assistants, but our theory proved unrealistic as soon as the volume of work in the office accelerated with any rapidity. The introduction of assistants empnasized the tendency for partners to work in isolation without our realizing it at first. It was a question, really, of how we absorbed them into the group, and of how we made use of the additional manpower. The pains of indigestion having eased, however, the difficulties of this period are disappearing, and we ties of this period are disappearing, and we are beginning, tentatively, to see the next stage a little more clearly.

It seems to us that there is a limit to the number of assistants a group such as ours can employ if it is to retain its identity as a group, and if partners are to remain fully in control of all jobs. For a partner exercises a dual role: as a member of the group he takes part in group decisions on matters of major policy on all jobs but on indihe takes part in group decisions on matters of major policy on all jobs, but on individual jobs he occupies, in fact, the position of chief assistant. If in this latter role he delegates too much the group as a whole loses control of design. This is not to imply that assistants need necessarily be mere drawing machines, with no further responsibility, for obviously a wide range of responsibility can be taken by assistants provided the group method of working is maintained as far as possible at all levels. It does imply, however, that the role of chief assistant as it is usually interpreted has no place in our organization as we now see it.

#### THE WORKING UNIT

We would say that a good working unit appears to be two partners and four assistants; that the ratio of assistants to partners should not exceed four to one; and that it is possible to earn a living, if not a highly profitable one, at this ratio. A ratio of assistants to partners in excess of this would upset the working method of the firm, and would create, in effect, a number of self-sufficient private practices merely sharing an administrative and financial background. And equally important, the relatively intimate atmosphere of the firm as a whole, and the opportunity this can give for all assisthe opportunity this can give for all assistants to know about and to contribute to the work going on around them, might be lost.

If all this is rather parochial, we hope at least it may be of interest to some students and younger architects. We have stressed some of the difficulties of group working, but we hope that we have not given the impression that we regard them as insuperable, or that we have come to the conclusion that it is not really worth the candle. On the contrary, we are more than ever sure that it is worthwhile. Provided the members of the group have an outlook sufficiently homogeneous for them to be able to speak the same architectural language, and are more concerned with the building than with their own self-expression, we are convinced that the constant exercise of analysis and criticism is of immense value. The real problem, as we have implied, is to find time to exercise it constantly enough, and still to remain solvent.

#### NEW TOWNS: No. 10

#### Progress report on Hatfield by D. Rigby Childs.

Between 1934 and 1939 Hatfield, Hertfordshire, grew from a historic village into an industrial town. The town was the subject of a study in the Greater London Plan 1944, and the recommendation was made that "while no new industries are proposed in Hatfield, an increase of population up to rather over double its present size would help Hatfield to become a more self-contained social community." This proposal was adopted by the Minister of Town and Country Planning, who, however, sug-gested the ultimate size of population should be 25,000.

The new town designated area does not include Hatfield Park, or De Havillands airinclude Hatheld Fark, or De Havillands air-craft works, but included is the old town of Hatfield. The site, as designated, is partly built up; the existing development is nearly all residential—mostly working-class. The present population is 8,500 persons. The topography is undulating. The subsoil

The topography is undulating. The subsoil is very mixed, changing to and from sand, clay, and chalk.

#### DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The Development Corporation includes the R. G. Gosling; vice-chairman, R. L. Reiss; general manager, J. E. McComb; engineer, J. Skinner; planning consultant, Hon. Lionel

The Corporation has not set up an architect's department. Outside architects are engaged as and when they are needed, and approval of layout and elevations is given

approval of layout and elevations is given by the planning consultant. The outside architects engaged by the Development Corporation are:—Lionel Brett (houses and flats); A. Chitty (houses).

1948: July.-Designation Order made for 2.340 acres.

October.-Preparation of master plan

began. 1949: September.—First building construction contract let.

October.—Draft master plan published under title of "Hatfield New Town" (Copies obtainable from Development Corporation's

offices. 2s. per copy).

Draft master plan submitted to the Minister of Town and Country Planning.

1950: August.-Minister gave ments on the master plan. According to the draft plan, 1,448 acres of land will be developed or used as townlands as opposed

to agriculture,

September.—Total expenditure on constructional works completed or in progress

by the end of September was £5,654. Civil engineering £3,682 (contracts let to the value of £40,479).

Building construction £1,972 (contracts let to the value of £255,719).

At the beginning of this month 447 acres

of land, had been acquired.

October.—The number of buildings completed included:—8 workshops (total area 1,504 square feet); 1 junior and mixed infants school.

The number of buildings under construction included:—119 houses (all types); 36 flats (all types); 1 technical college and technical school; 1 youth centre (temporary).

The total labour force at work was 41 men with 16 men on civil engineering and 25 men on building construction.

#### PROGRAMME

The aim for intake of new population by midsummer of the next three years is as

1951: total number, 450 persons, 1952: further 1,200 to make total number of 1.650 persons. 1953: further 1,200 to make total number

of 2,850 persons.



Plan of Welwyn and Hatfield

#### COMMENT

There are already employed at de Havillands over 7,000 people and at Jack Olding's over 1,000. There is, therefore, more than sufficient manufacturing industry just outside the designated area than would be required for a population of 25,000; although the working population of 25,000; although the working population is a local one the new town will contribute to the decentralisation of London. De Havillands came from London in 1934 and many of their workers still live in London, travelling to Hatfield daily. As the Corporation's task is to house these workers wherever they come from, be it within London proper or Greater London, a contribution will be made of the alternative industries to the alternative industries to the ultimate lowering of London's population. The weakness at Hatfield is that practically all the townspeople will be employed in one industry. The Corporation can hardly insure against this by bringing to Hatfield alternative industries to the aircraft industry, but it has made accorporation in industry, but it has made a reservation in industry, but it has made a reservation in the Welwyn Garden City industrial area for the express purpose of hedging the liability to unemployment. The Minister has agreed, however, that "the employment pattern of Hatfield cannot be regarded in isolation but should be viewed in the regional setting.

In Hatfield, the provision and mainten-ance of such amenities as public gardens, open front treatment of houses, theatres, playing fields, community centres, etc., may be difficult to achieve. These amenities all and economically are a bad cost money proposition by themselves. Normally money for their provision is obtained from indusand shops in the form of high ground rents. In Hatfield an industrial source of income will not exist (the factories being outside the designated area) and a great deal will depend upon the provision of a

good shopping area.

A feature of Hatfield which requires to be most carefully watched is the risk of establishing an artisan town; although the human need is not relatively of the first importance, the Corporation are going to build next year 80 monthly-rented houses and are reserving sites for 25 privately-owned type of house to avoid the stamp of the attent town the private that the contract towns to the contract towns. the artisan town being put upon Hatfield in

its earliest days. Furthermore, in the south-ern part of the town the Corporation will attempt to create further better-class development; the Corporation recognise that if such development is not attracted now:

Building in this new town will be at a rather higher density than in other new towns. The existing net residential density towns. The existing net residential density is already 35 persons per acre, and with average density of 37 for the new development the average for the town as a whole should be about 36·7. This higher density will be reflected in closely-spaced terrace houses with small gardens interspersed with three- or four-storey flats. A house and garden, however, will be provided for every family over two persons.

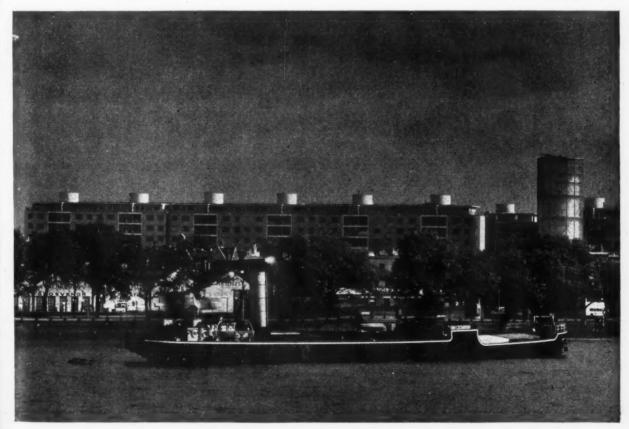
The planning of Hatfield has been quite difficult. The designated area is an elongated shape and if development spreads too far from the centre, the town will be lack-ing in cohesion. The advantage of work-ing to a high average density is that de-velopment in the extreme south of the area is rendered unnecessary, thereby agricultural land is saved, people are kept around the town centre, and a useful break is made in the development between Welham Green and Hatfield on the South, and Hatfield and Welwyn Garden City in the North. The town cannot expand eastwards without crossing the railway and the Great North Road into Hatfield Park, nor westwards without crossing the Barnet by-pass and getting either into the aerodrome or valuable agricultural land.

#### NOTES ON PROGRESS

The Corporation hope to increase the rate of building next year to 300 dwellings per annum. The southern area of Hatfield gravitates towards the Colne Valley Sewage Board's area, and the Board are nearing completion of substantial disposal works at Biskersenweeth and good disposal works at Ricksmanworth and could get a trunk sewer in to Hatfield in two years. The sewage problem at Hatfield, although not simple, is, therefore, not quite so urgent as at neighbouring Welwyn Garden City. (Welwyn New Town was described last week.) in ANTROBUS STREET, PIMLICO, S.W.I
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Chaucer House (shown solid black on site plan) is the first block of flats to be completed on the City of Westminster's Pimlico Housing Scheme (Director of Housing, John Hughes). The 30-acre site is to be developed in four sections. The whole scheme will consist of approximately 1,600 flats. The design and layout of the flats was the subject of a competition in 1945-46.

View across the river looking north-east.



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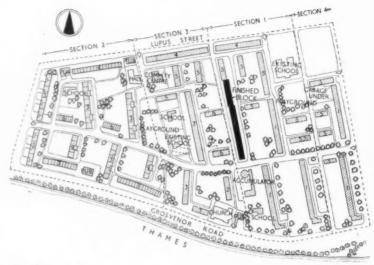
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gs per atfield dewage earing orks at sewer sewage ple, is, neighlelwyn SITE.—The site, approximately 600 yds. by 300 yds., lies between Dolphin Square on the east and the Southern Region railway line on the west The first section to be developed is between Ranelagh Road and Antrobus Street, an area previously occupied by factory and commercia buildings, most of which were derelict or damaged by enemy action.

PLAN.-In accordance with the requirements of the County of London Plan, the area is being developed to house 200 persons per acre. Apart from flats, the scheme will include a community centre, a day nursery, three nursery schools, four public houses, about 30 shops, laundries, a mort ary, restaurant, public lavatories and a service station



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Site plan

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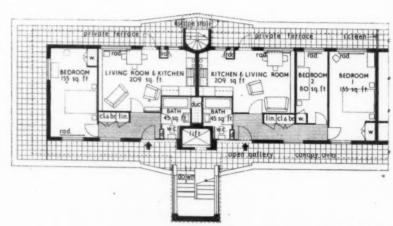
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Plan of 8th floor flats [Scale #"=1"0"]

The east facade of block 1.

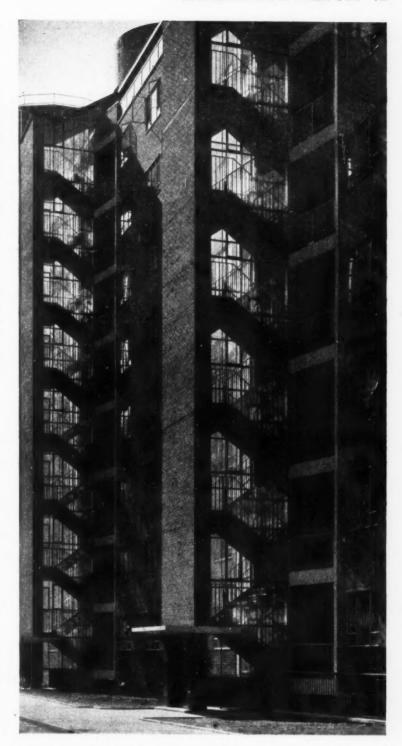


with underground garage for 200 cars. Due to the high density required, the majority of the blocks of flats are the maximum height allowable. The tall blocks are sited at right angles to the river with living rooms facing west and the majority of bedrooms facing east. The rooms have oblique views up and down the river. The only exception to this orientation for tall blocks is at the western extreme of the site, parallel to the railway line, where all habitable rooms face east, thus minimizing the disturbance caused by trains. There are also a number of maisonette dwellings (2 storey high flats) in 4-storey blocks and in 7-storey blocks (the ground floors of which contain shops or one-room flats). In the second section of the scheme it is proposed to build some terraces of 3-storey houses along the river front and there will also be two small 3-storey blocks of one-room flats. There are no direct road connections between the site and Grosvenor Road, which runs along the river on the south border of the site. The open spaces between the blocks of flats are laid out as lawns, small enclosed



Plan of typical flat, ground to 7th floor

public gardens and private gardens belonging to nursery schools, lower level maisonettes and 3storey houses. There are also children's playgrounds. The tall blocks are staggered in layout to avoid the cutting up of these open spaces into long tunnel-like strips running from the north to the south borders of the site. The first section, consisting of 495 flats, is being developed in two contracts. The first consists of 370 flats in 9-storey blocks. The first block is now complete and the remaining three are nearing completion. A second contract for the remaining 125 flats (in 4-storey blocks and 7-storey blocks, which includes 13 shops) is under way. The open way through under the north end of the first block will form part of a pedestrian way, which will run from east to west



Two projecting staircase bays at the south end of the east facade.

across the site when all the sections have been developed. Service roads, running north and south, are 14 ft. wide. The street lighting is by means of fluorescent fittings. Lamp standards, 25 ft. high, are used for the east-west service road and 15-ft. high standards for the minor service roads.

THE BLOCK ILLUSTRATED. GENERAL.— The first completed block contains 104 flats serviced by 6 staircases and 6 lifts. There are 92 four-

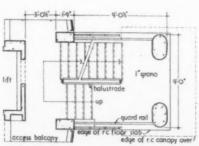


One of the entrances.

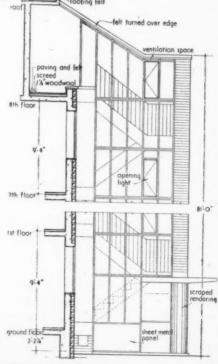
#### FLATS

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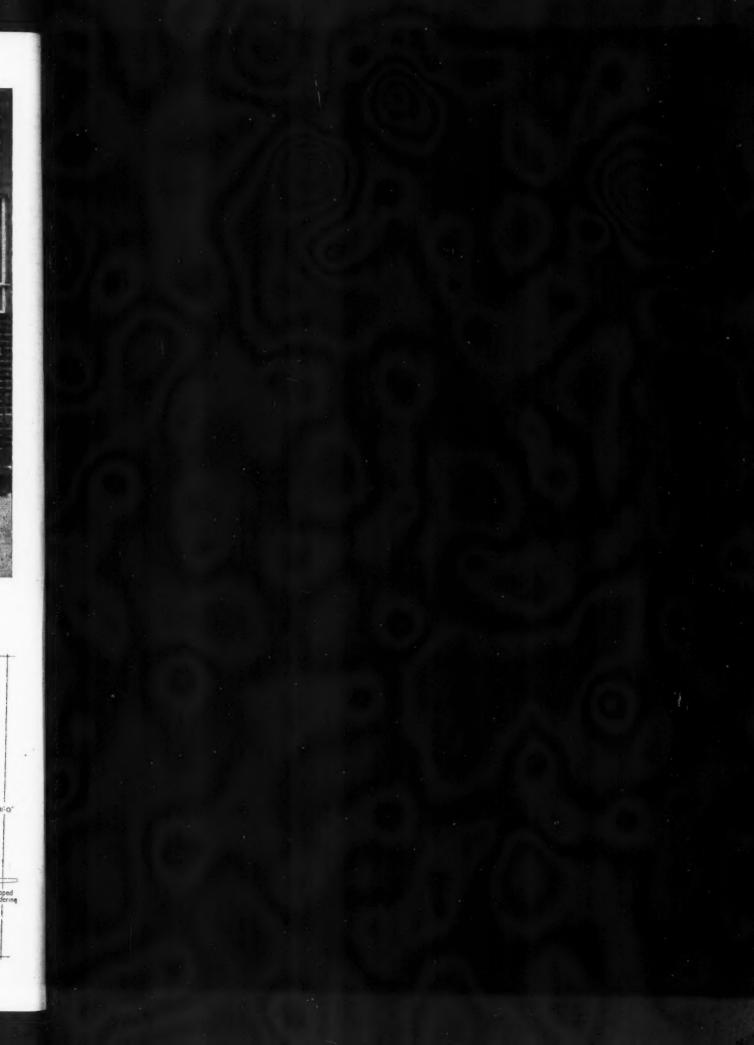
room flats and 12 smaller flats on the top floor. The basement, which is accessible by lifts, staircases and a ramp, contains pram and cycle stores for each flat and a small laundry. Household refuse is deposited at ground floor level in containers and then these are housed in two special outbuildings on the opposite side of the service road. It has been decided to incorporate shutes in all future blocks, but the decision was made too late to incorporate them in the block illustrated.



Plan of typical entrance (Scale : | "=1"0")

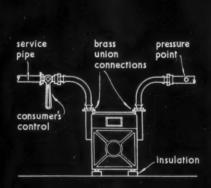


Side elevation of staircase

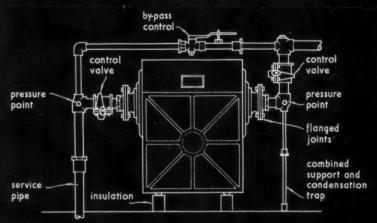




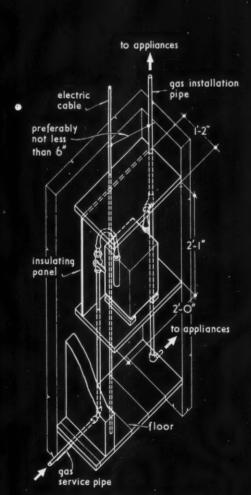
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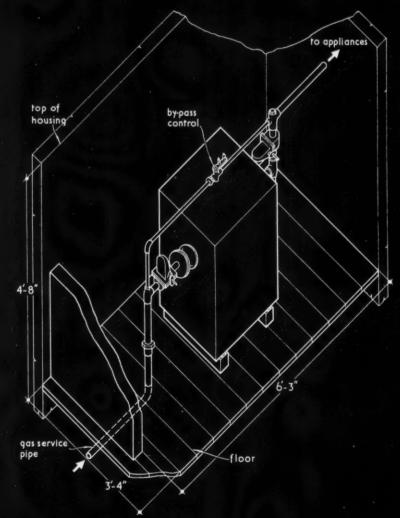
SMALL DOMESTIC PRIMARY METER.



LARGE PRIMARY METER WITH BY-PASS.



TYPICAL DOMESTIC INSTALLATION.
(200 CU. FT. CAPACITY METER)



TYPICAL LARGE INSTALLATION. (1200 CU. FT. CAPACITY METER)

GAS METERS: TYPES: TYPICAL INSTALLATIONS.
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#### 37.D3 GAS METERS: TYPES: METHOD OF INSTALLATION

This Sheet gives a summary of the types of meter in common use for registering the gas consumed on premises, the methods of their installation and the provisions to be made for them when a gas installation is planned.

#### Types of Meter

Primary meter: Connected to the service pipe. The index reading constitutes the basis of charge by the gas undertaking for gas used on the premises.

Secondary meter: Used for measuring gas which has

already passed through a primary meter.

Prepayment meter: A meter fitted with a mechanism which, on the insertion of a coin, permits the passage of the prepaid quantity of gas. It may be a primary or a secondary meter.

#### Architects' Drawings

Drawings should show the proposed position of the meter, to scale, with a clear indication of the available surrounding free space.

The sizes of meters to be installed should be decided in consultation with the gas undertaking in the planning

#### Meter Housing

The primary meter should be housed either in a compartment provided inside the building or in a specially constructed housing outside the premises. When inside the building the meter should be easily accessible and placed as nearly as practicable to the point where the service enters the building. The following positions should be avoided: immediately above cooking or heating appliances; in the open; in places used for storage of food; under draining boards or adjoining sinks; in contact with walls; in any position in which the meter is likely to cause an obstruction, to be damaged or to be exposed to conditions likely to affect its accuracy or safety; in any position subject to wide variations of temperature.

Meters fitted at floor level should be protected against

damage.

Where a separate meter housing is to be built, the design should provide: protection from weather; accessibility in case of exchange of meters; space to incorporate a by-pass or other ancillary devices if

required; ventilation.

High pressure gas supplies: When gas is to be supplied at high pressure and a pressure governor is installed in the meter housing provision must be made for a vent pipe to pass from the governor to the outside air. Secondary meters: Under no circumstances should a secondary meter be supplied with gas through a prepayment meter.

#### **Dimensions of Meter Housings**

Where strict economy of space is necessary the recommended dimensions shown below may be reduced. The gas undertaking should be asked to give advice on this matter. Meters of larger capacity may be obtained.

Meter capacity (cu. ft./hr.)	Recommended dimensions of housings (in.)					
	Without by-pass			With by-pass		
	high	wide	deep	high	wide	deep
100	24	24	13	_	-	_
200	25	24	14	-	-	_
400	27	26	18	40	26	18
700	36	32	27	46	32	27
1200				56	75	40 44 49 56
1800	-	-	-	65	87	44
3000	-	-	-	78	104	49
4500	-		-	89	108	
6000		-	-	93	126	62
9000		_		103	145	64
12000	-	-		105	147	70
15000		-		107	149	70

#### Meter Fixing

Meters should be fitted in such a position that the index may be easily read; the prepayment mechanism may be easily operated; collectors can remove the cash box; they may be exchanged when necessary with the minimum of disturbance; there is adequate space for fitting ancillary apparatus when required. Primary meters must be fixed by the gas undertaking or its approved agent.

Meters and connections should be prevented by spacing or insulation from contact with electric conduits and other electric equipment. should not be in contact with floors and walls. Meters of 1,200 cu. ft./hr. capacity and larger have flange connections; smaller meters have brass union

connections.

By-pass to meter: In buildings where a continuous supply of gas is essential a by-pass with a sealed valve may be fitted provided that the permission of the gas undertaking has been obtained.

#### Consumer's Control

All meters should be fitted with a cock or valve on the inlet side which must be readily accessible and easy to operate and of a type approved by the gas undertaking.

#### British Standards for Gas Meters and Connections

B.S. 864: 1945
Capillary fittings and compression fittings of copper and copper alloy for use with light gauge copper tube.

B.S. 746: 1937
B.S. 603: 1941
Lead pipes, B.N.F. ternary alloy (No. 2).
B.S. 602: 1949
Lead pipes for other than chemical purposes.
B.S. 659: 1944
Light gauge copper tubes.
B.S. 1396: 1947
Gas meter cupboards.
B.S. 10: Part I: 1947
Pipe flanges for land use (for pressures up to 400 ft. head).

More detailed information will be found in British Standard Code of Practice:

CP 331,102: 1947 Gas metering and consumer's control.

This Series of Sheets deals with the provision of service and installation pipes, meters, flues and all other considerations involving the installation of gas equipment concerning the architect.

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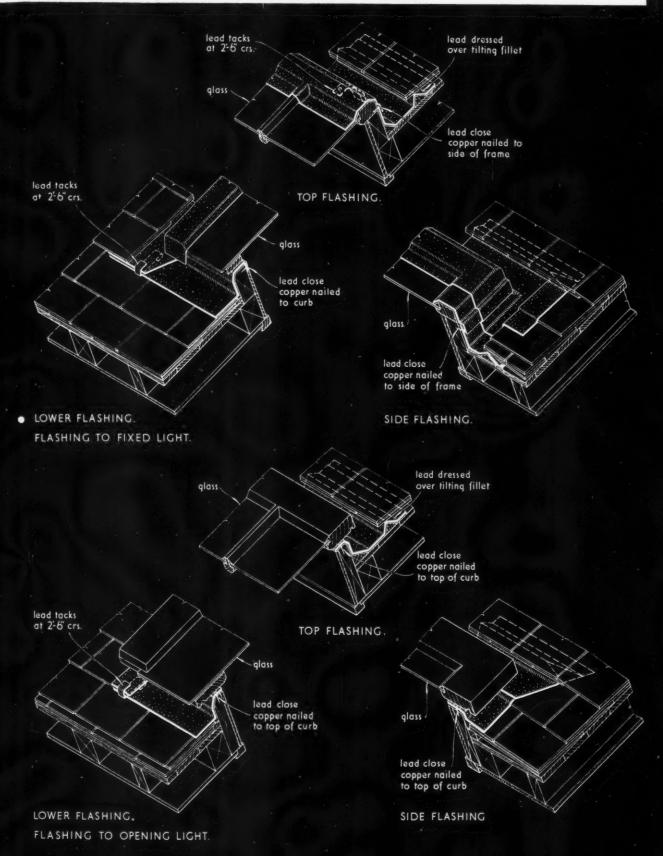
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LEAD FLASHING TO TIMBER FRAMED SKYLIGHTS.

#### 10.G22 LEAD FLASHINGS TO TIMBER FRAMED SKYLIGHTS

This Sheet describes the fixing of sheet lead flashings to timber framed skylights in pitched roofs of traditional construction. The upper drawings deal with fixed lights and the lower drawings with opening lights.

#### Fixed Light

The drawings show a skylight raised above the plane of the roof surface, framed in wood and close flashed on all sides. This is a method which gives a thoroughly reliable and waterproof job, but which can only be used with fixed lights. It has the advantage that the timber, in a position where maintenance painting is difficult, is well protected. The flashing at the bottom of the skylight is formed in one piece of lead and at the sides and head in two pieces. The lead should be dressed down to a close fit over all woodwork and slates or tiles and should be secured where shown with copper nails and lead tacks.

#### **Opening Light**

The drawings show a method of flashing which permits the skylight to be hinged.

It is necessary to make the trimming timbers or curb of sufficient depth to raise the skylight well above the plane of the roof surface since the flashing on the upper side of the skylight forms a gutter. This gutter should generally be made 5 or 6 in. wide.

#### Weight of Lead

The weight of lead for these flashings should be not less than 5 lb. per sq. ft.

#### **Further Information**

The Lead Industries Development Council maintains a Technical Information Bureau which is available to answer questions and advise on technical problems dealing with this subject generally.

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Below, flat entrance door on eighth floor.



Below, staircase side window.



Below, staircase balustrade and landing.



9" felt strip d.p.c 00 radiator 1%x% flat welded to vertical 14x % flat wall face painted with bitumen 11/4" 0.0 0 permornent shufter ing 0 0

Typical section through flat external wall [Scale: 3"=1"0"]

CONSTRUCTION.—External and spine walls, floors and roof are of monolithic concrete. The external walls are 7 in. thick and lined internally with 13-in, wood wool slabs, which form permanent shuttering. Party walls are 7 in. thick and breeze block partition walls 21 in. thick built upon felt strips. External walls are faced with, brick supported by horizontal reinforced concrete ribs at each window head level. The brickwork is tied to the concrete by means of galvanized iron cramps, which fix into dovetail galvanized slots cast in with the concrete walls. Windows are of metal. Front doors, casement doors and windows facing balconies are of timber. Balcony fronts consist of Georgian wired roughcast glass in aluminium frames supported on steel tubes.



Skirting detail in halls, kitchens and bathrooms



The west facade from Antrobus Street.

#### FLATS

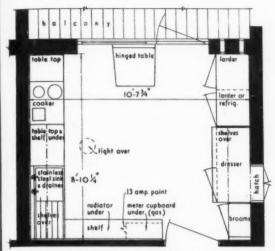
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EXTERNAL FINISHES.—Walls are faced with yellow flint lime bricks with a plinth of Staffordshire blue engineering bricks to ground floor cill level. Horizontal concrete ribs and exposed concrete to the raised portion at the north end have been left unpainted. The exposed concrete of the walls of the balconies, of the top floor gallery and tank rooms has been set in smooth shuttering and painted with a chlorinated-rubber based enamel paint. Colours

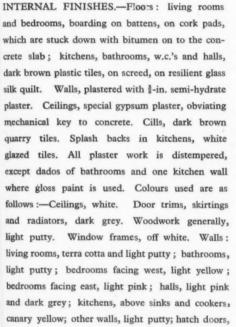
used are as follows:—Window frames, off-white. Vertical reinforced concrete ribs, balcony upstands and soffits, white. Metal cills, metal frames to staircase glazing, front doors, handrails and balusters to balconies, black. Columns flanking entrances, grey. Panels flanking entrances, violet. Back walls of balconies, lift fronts, panels below windows, internal staircase walls, sky blue, poppy red and grass green, alternately.

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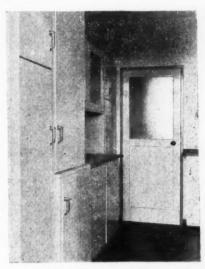
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[Scale: 1"=1 0"] Plan of typical kitchen



SERVICES.-All services, except rainwater pipes to private balconies, are carried in internal ducts. A main duct, between each pair of flats, carries a 4-in. soil pipe and a rainwater pipe into which drains water from the access balconies by means of flat cast iron gullies, built within the thickness of the slab. Central heating mains rise in the wardrobes between bedrooms 1 and 2, and horizontal branch pipes are carried within the thickness of the floor screed. Radiators, fitted in living rooms and bedrooms, are bracketed to the walls. Electricity is provided in three circuits: (1) a cooker circuit, (2) a 5-amp. lighting fitting circuit, (3) a 13-amp. fused plug ring main circuit for all floor points.



Above, typical kitc.en. Below, ci-cular water tank holders above the eight floor pent house flats.

There are 4 plugs in each living room and 2 each in kitchens and bedrooms. Horizontal conduits are cast within the floor slabs. Tenants have the choice of gas or electricity in their kitchens. Each flat is fitted for relay wireless and television.

The district heating system, which was designed by Kennedy & Donkin, Consulting Engineers, is described on pages 491 and 492 of this issue. The general contractors are Holloway Bros. (London), Ltd. For list of sub-contractors, see page 498.



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In view of the unusual technical and planning interest of the first block of this large housing scheme, the description is supplemented by the following discussion.

#### FLATS IN PIMLICO

#### Discussion between the Architects and the Editors

THE EDITORS: We see the structure of the building is monolithic reinforced concrete, with not only the cross walls of concrete, but the external walls also. Why is this?

THE ARCHITECTS: There are several reasons. An R.C. building (whether frame or monolithic) probably uses half as much steel as a steel frame building. This eased the licensing position. Under the London Building Act and with prices at their present levels an R.C. structure is considered cheaper for this type of building. We originally chose R.C. frame, with flat, wide, external columns within the thickness of the external wall. However, this meant that at the lower floors, the columns would have occupied the entire space between the windows, and the only infilling would have been in the aprons below the windows. We would, therefore, have had the difficulty of two different materials on the internal face of the walls, and the danger of cracking and pattern staining, due to the inequality of thermal insulation. Under the circumstances, and on the advice of the Consulting Structural Engineers, solid external walls appeared more logical. R.C. wall construction gives one a structure where there are no awkward projections into rooms, so often found in frame buildings, and this is particularly important in the case of flats of this type, where the rooms are of necessity small.

THE EDITORS: We think brick used as an external veneer to the concrete structure is illogical. Was there no other material suitable?

THE ARCHITECTS: We agree that it does at first sight seem illogical, and we considered many alternatives. All other finishes requiring little maintenance and yet having a good appearance were far more expensive than 41 in, brick. Painting concrete -although cheaper at first-would be higher on maintenance costs. A rough textured rendering may require no up-keep, but this was rejected because of the dirty atmosphere. Thus, bricks were proved to be the best veneer at the present time, and their use is consequently logical. The bricks are treated deliberately as smooth panels of flat colour. The R.C. nibs supporting the panels at each floor are exposed. The smoothness of the flint/lime bricks has the advantage of picking up the minimum of dirt.

THE EDITORS: Why are the concrete walls on the balconies painted?

THE ARCHITECTS: The overall use of brick would have completely concealed the concrete structure. It would have given the appearance of a load bearing brick building. Though this isn't necessarily bad in itself, in this case it would have looked heavy and oppressive. Also, the painted walls are readily accessible for maintenance. The paint used is a chlorinated rubber based enamel paint suitable for application to concrete surfaces. It should last very well and can be cleaned down like glazed tiles.



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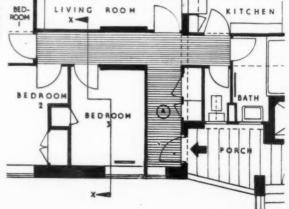
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Above, private balcomies on the west facade. Right, plan showing corridors in typical ground to 7th floor flat.



(Scale: #"-1'0")

THE EDITORS: You have used  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in, wood wool lining to the external walls, presumably for thermal insulation. If you had left a cavity between the brick facing and the concrete wall, could this lining not have been omitted?

THE ARCHITECTS: The cavity would not have given the equivalent insulation of the wood wool slabs. These slabs were used not only for insulation purposes, but as a permanent shuttering for the internal faces of the external walls. This permanent shuttering is, in fact, about the same price as the temporary shuttering used. It is, in our opinion, better to have the thermal insulation on the inside of the external walls rather than on the outside.

THE EDITORS: We notice that some of the floors in living-rooms and bed-rooms squeak. We know this does sometimes occur with timber floors on a concrete sub-floor. Have you any proposals for dealing with the problem for the remainder of the scheme?

THE ARCHITECTS: The main difficulty is, in our opinion, the quality of some post-war timber, and the fact that generously thick boarding cannot be used due to the necessity for timber economy. At the time of specifying the materials for this block, it should be remembered that the materials for jointless flooring (comparable in price to the timber floors used) were not by any means ideal. Since that time, better and cheaper floor finishes suitable for application to concrete screeds have come on the market. It has been possible to use them in bathrooms, kitchens and halls of the present flats, and in future they will be used throughout. The cost of this finish (asphalte tiles) when laid on a cement screed on a glass silk quilt will be very slightly cheaper than the timber boarding on battens on insulating pads. B.R.S. tests have shown that the sound insulation results would also be slightly better. We believe that the asphalte tile flooring is proving popular.

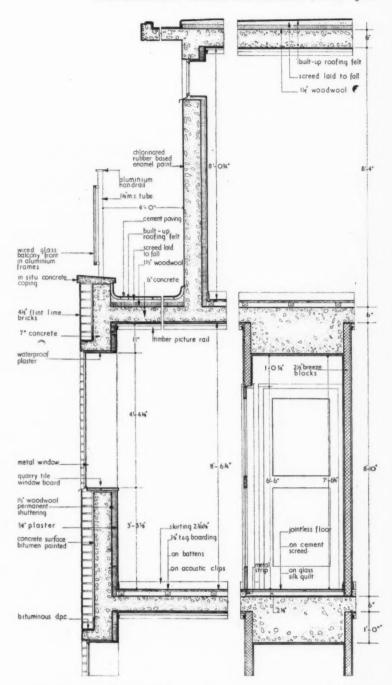
THE EDITORS: Why did you use solid concrete floors instead of the hollow terra cotta blocks so widely used in these days?

THE ARCHITECTS: We prefer solid concrete floors, everything else being equal. In the present case advantage could be taken of spanning in two directions so that the solid floor compared favourably in price. We consider it better for construction and it avoids pattern staining on plaster ceilings.

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THE EDITORS: Regarding the sound insulation, is the 7 in. of reinforced concrete adequate for the party walls between the flats?

THE ARCHITECTS: In the first block, the living rooms are not placed adjacent to each other on a party wall, neither is the living room of one flat against the bedroom of another. In the smaller flats of Block 5, where the short wall of a living-room occurs against another similar living-room, free standing leaves of breeze partition are built up on either side of the party wall. Like all the other breeze partitions, they rest on felt strips. We understand that none of the tenants have complained about noise.



Section X-X, showing the 4½-in. brick veneer supported on reinforced concrete nibs at each floor level.

[Scale: #"-1'0"]

THE EDITORS: Since we are getting into the realms of planning, perhaps you can tell us why there are such a large proportion of 3-bedroom flats?

THE ARCHITECTS: There are a large proportion of 3-bedroom flats in Block 1, but other blocks, e.g. Blocks 5 and 6, are almost entirely devoted to smaller flats. It's more economical to group flats of a similar size altogether in one block, rather than mix large and small flats indiscriminately. To mix them in one block often causes an expensive structural arrangement.

THE EDITORS: We were surprised to see livingroom-kitchens appearing in some of the smaller flats. Is there actually a demand for this arrangement?

THE ARCHITECTS: Yes, with some of the tenants this arrangement proves very popular.

THE EDITORS: It is difficult to avoid having a corridor in a large flat, unless part of the living-room is allowed to degenerate into "circulation space," but would it not have helped if part of the wall between the living-room and the corridor had been glazed? Was the extra length of the corridor (marked "A") essential?

THE ARCHITECTS: Part of the wall between living room and corridor is, in fact, glazed. This helps a lot—as you walk down the corridor, you can see into the living-room, and this reduced the closed-in effect. The long corridor is almost always a problem with "access in pairs" flats. One reason for choosing the open "access in pairs," i.e., access to each flat from an open air porch, rather than the more normal closed in access, is because it makes direct lighting and ventilation to the hall possible. The extra length of corridor (marked "A") is essential to this type of access.

THE EDITORS: The shape of the balconies has been described by some as a little whimsical.

THE ARCHITECTS: That certainly wasn't our intention, and we don't think they do look whimsical. We like the appearance and the shape, which exploits the material used for the balcony fronts, namely, glass. Where the two facets reflect the sun's rays from different angles, a clear and pungent effect is given. And there was a reason for it, too. An extra staircase was required from the 5th floor upwards for escape purposes. The balcony was not quite deep enough to accommodate it, but the extra depth required was so little that to project the balcony that distance from the main wall would have looked distinctly mean, and the return face of the balcony front would have looked awkward. The tapering balcony front seemed to us a more economical and natural answer.

THE EDITORS: Your internal decorations are a considerable advance on the standard cream of most flats. How do the tenants take to the colours?

THE ARCHITECTS: We believe they like them.

THE EDITORS: We have terrible visions of window cleaners being frustrated by the staircase. Can the staircase windows be cleaned?

THE ARCHITECTS: Yes, they have been specially designed so that all cleaning can be done from the inside of the building. Hanging cradles from the top of the staircase would have been quite impracticable. Half the window can be cleaned from the inside, as there are opening lights placed so that the face of the glass can be reached with the help of a wash leather on a short stick (which, we believe, is a standard article). The other half can be cleaned from the balcony itself.

THE EDITORS: Why is there a break in the block towards the north end?



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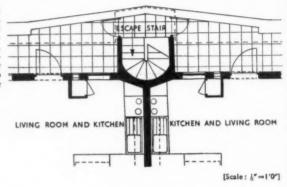
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Above, looking north up Antrobus Street, showing the break in the west facade emphasized in black. Rig. t, 8th floor balcony detail showing 2-ft. protrusion to allow access to escape stairs.



THE ARCHITECTS: The break occurs at the one expansion joint in the building. The block to the north end of this break forms itself, as it were, into a separate block. The separation is stressed by the fact that this part of the block is raised above ground level on large concrete columns. The way-through will give a vista of the entire estate, and form part of the main pedestrian way through it. When the block is visually divided into two (when one of the lower blocks on Section I is built), the break will accentuate this natural division.

THE EDITORS: We feel that although painting the break black makes it quite effective when viewed from one direction, from other viewpoints the break is imperceptible. Unless it had been made deeper, it would have been better not to have had the break at all.

THE ARCHITECTS: Why not? Any colour could have been used, and even if black may not look photogenic, we think it is the best colour to use in this case.

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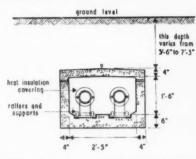
District heating is once again in the news. On the one hand it has been decided that "district heating schemes shall not be proceeded with in the new towns" but, on the other hand, we have the scheme at Pimlico, with its unique glazed hot water "accumulator," described below. The financial aspects of this scheme, details of which follow the general description, add an important chapter to the controversy on the economics of district heating.\*

#### DISTRICT HEATING AT PIMLICO

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At Pimlico, London, a large area of old property, damaged or demolished during the war, has been cleared and large blocks of war, has been cleared and large blocks of flats are being erected which will eventually re-house about 5,000 people. A district heating scheme, designed by Kennedy and Donkin, Consulting Engineers, is to be employed which will utilise the heat in exhaust steam from the Battersea Power Station and transmit it, in the form of hot water, to the new housing estates for smooth water, to the new housing estates, for space heating and domestic hot water supply. Later the privately owned flats, known as Do ohin Square, will also be participating in the scheme.



Typical conduit for 6-in. distribution main.

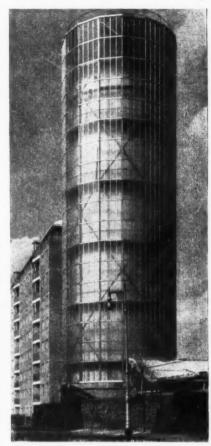
At Battersea there are two back-pressure turbo-alternators, designed for an output of 1.350 kW, taking steam at 600 lb, per sq. in, at 800-850°F, and these turbo-alternators are each connected to a heat exchanger arranged to heat water to 200°F, in a closed arranged to heat water to 200°F, in a closed circuit circulating system. This is, essentially, a 12 in. flow and 12 in. return and a large hot water storage tank, or "heat accumulator," situated on the Pimlico housing estate, together with flow and return pipes and circulating water pumps in the power station, for delivering hot water to the ton of the accumulator and returning the top of the accumulator and returning the cooler water from the bottom for re-heating. (The pipes pass through an existing tunnel under the river.) From the accumulator, the hot water is pumped as required to the space heating and hot water systems in the blocks of flats, while hot water for baths, wash basins and other equipment is provided by one or two main calorifiers in each block of flats.

#### THE HOT WATER ACCUMULATOR.

The hot water accumulator ensures an adequate supply at all times independent of any quate supply at all times independent of any output fluctuations at Battersea. It is a cylindrical vessel 29 ft. in diameter and 126 ft. high, constructed of mild steel shell plates, varying in thickness from  $\frac{2}{3}$  in, at the base to  $\frac{8}{16}$  in, at the top, all the seams being electrically welded in situ.

The shell is insulated with 3 in, thick cork slabs, held in place by steel studs welded to the outer surface, and the whole is enclosed in a steel framework with  $\frac{1}{2}$  in rough cast.

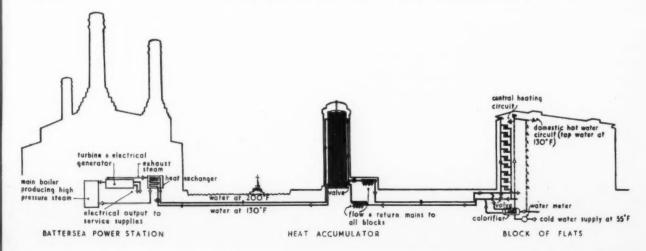
in a steel framework, with 4 in, rough cast glass panels fixed in aluminium glazing bars.



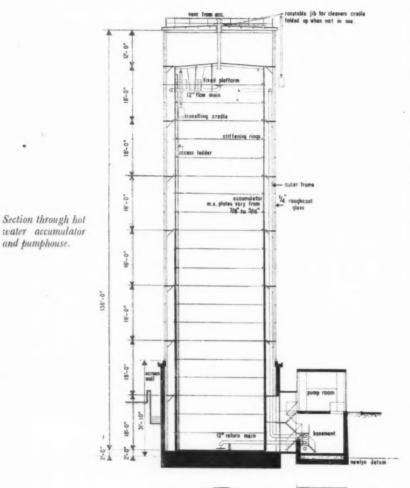
The glazed accumulator.

Provision is made between the accumulator shell and the enclosure for maintenance and access to the top. There are permanent ladders between the enclosure and the shell. ladders between the enclosure and the shell, with galleries every 18 ft. The outside glazing starts 30 ft. from the base of the cylinder and rises to a height of 108 ft. in 16 tiers, each of 6 ft. high. The enclosure framework is in the form of a polygon with 16 facets. The facets, at centre line of glass, are 7 ft. 3½ in. wide, sub-divided by aluminium glazing bars into four panes of glass. Weathering at the junction of the tiers is provided by a special cleat-shaped light alloy extrusion.

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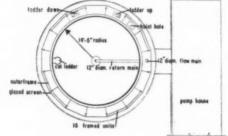
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Plan of hot water accumulator at level

of a typical gallery.

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hinged to facilitate cleaning of the glass. the top of the cylinder inside the roof of the enclosure there is a retractable jib for hoisting materials and a cylinder in the color of the enclosure there is a retractable jib for hoisting materials and a cylinder of the cylinder of th hoisting materials, and a sliding and folding window permits the extension of the jib. On the roof of the enclosure there is a rotating retractable jib, which will be used to support a builder's cradle for glass cleaning

The glazed accumulator is sited to form an impressive landmark, emphasized by the tall vertical lines of the glazing bars and the reflections from the glass.

#### ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF THE SCHEME

The compactness of the Pimlico estate makes this District Heating scheme particularly economical and the charges made to consumers will enable the scheme to cover its costs completely. The service will provide space heating, with living rooms at 65° and bedrooms at 60° F., and domestic hot water at 130° F. Test thermometers in selected flats, whose occupants have agreed to co-operate, will enable the engineers to maintain evenly the correct temperatures.

The charges vary according to the size of the flats—for example: 8s. per week for a two-bedroom flat and 9s. 5d. per week for a three-bedroom flat. These figures have been arrived at rather arbitrarily, as difficult to estimate what the cost will be-come as the extent of the scheme is increased, but it is expected that it will be possible to reduce these charges later.

As the figures stand, i.e., without taking into account any such future reductions, they do not greatly exceed the figure of 7s. 6d. which, it has been suggested, is the most that the lower-paid worker can afford per week for heating and hot water, although many families, whose homes are

equipped with efficient apparatus. must surely spend more than this in order to achieve a moderate degree of comnort. Certainly the figures show that district heating can provide whole house warming at a lower cost than any other method. This appears to be confirmed by the decision or the proprietors of the Dolphin Square flats, who would surely not otherwise be changing over from their present central heating plant to share in the district heating scheme

The desirability of warmth throughout the home and constant hot water needs no emphasising, but the question still remains: "can the ordinary working-class family afford it?" There are, of course, various savings in the cost of the flats; fireplaces, flues, fuel stores and gas or electric heating and but water appliances are all eliming. and hot water appliances are all eliminated; a second living room (the parlour) is less essential and floor areas can be reduced. In spite of these savings, however, with land at £840 per flat and interest on the loan at the present rate, adding approximately 117 per cent. to the total cost, the rents are so high that the charge for district heating becomes a considerable burden to most of the tenants. This is liable to cause prejudice against district heating which may well hinder its future development.

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#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

#### REMOVING STAINS FROM POLISHED OAK 3034

Q In one of my contracts an oak staircase has been installed but the builder has failed to protect all parts, particularly the treads and risers, from damage by the passage of men up and down and also from the making good of the plaster work to the walls and the spandril sides. He was warned not to use water under any circum-stances for cleaning the oak but again he disobeyed instructions and consequently the usual black stains have now appeared. He has endeavoured to remove these by some means and whilst a certain amount of success has been achieved, quite a number of the stains remain. I am wondering there-fore, if you could suggest a method which would satisfactorily remove all such stains and other marks and so permit the polisher to make a really first class finish.

A Your best method would be to wash the oak with a solution of Oxalic acid (I lb. of acid to a gallon of hot water) leaving it for a few minutes to move some of the stain, and then washing off with hot

Several applications will probably be needed and care should be taken that as far as possible the washing does not extend further than is necessary. The woodwork should be wiped as dry as possible and then, after drying, can be sandpapered in the usual

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It has often been suggested in these columns that with whole house warming and free planning, the floor area of houses could be reduced without any loss and possibly with an increase, of amenities. But this article by Grenfell Baines presents, for the first time, a detailed analysis of the problem with concrete suggestions for its solution.

#### REFLECTIONS ON HOUSING

By G. Grenfell Baines

Whenever our leading politicians are stuck for something to talk about they can always turn to Housing. Thanks (if you like) to the efforts of the RIBA and the amenability of the MOH to whom they have sold architecture very successfully, it behoves architects more than ever today to take note of what our governors have to say. Here are two remarks which have stuck with me:—

Churchill: "We make our homes, then they make us."

Bevan: "So that not only will we produce housing as a social service but as an adornment of our island."

Considering the way these two fail to agree in other matters it is pleasing for a layman to notice how the latter seems to have the right idea for making the best of what is implied by the former.

In many ways, due to the efforts of architects and others, our post-war housing is an example to the rest of the world and, although its quality is not, unfortunately, matched by bulk achievements, it is clear to all but the most prejudiced that long before the life of our new housing is over it will be judged for design qualities—not quantity or speed of erection. It is equally clear that this quality is to a very large extent due to the agency which has been mainly responsible for the production of the houses. Perhaps some local authorities have not responded to the enlightened

leadership of their ministry as they might have, but one of the teatures of MOri administration, at least as far as housing is concerned, has been its democratic winingness to delegate powers to local autonomy.

It would be as well, therefore, if those who (justifiant) to some excent) are camouring for more houses to be built by other agencies, notably the house builders who combine (or aid combine prior to the 1947 Town and Country Planning Act) house building with speculative estate development, were to pause and ponder on the possibility of a situation arising in ten years time whereby the relative esteem enjoyed by "Council Houses" and "Show Houses," council estates and "Park hill" and other equally satuoriously entitled estates, were to be reversed. For judging by the way in which the private builder is liquidating his precious licences, there is in this trickle every promise or a pent up flood of the same old bay windowed, semi-detached, pseudo-vinas, "designed" either by precocous apprentices who nave been for a tew years to a building course at night school or by cynical practitioners who are prepared to do the necessary, usuany to eignin scale, to comply with the local formalities.

All these desirable residences waiting to be planted in each piece of land parcened up with Solomonic discrimination by some estate agent, each house toeing the starting line which, as tar as the builder "trying to make a living" is concerned, is the finishing line, set by the local byelaws. Were the present or some future government to decide to open the flood gates it would be advisable to make the conation that the new flow of production should continue to be filtered through qualified professional channels and if, contingent on our being properly paid in money and time allowed, we for our part were to organize our profession to meet the demand for good design as courageously and expeditiously as lays within our power—our own house needs sweeping.

But after the congratulations have been given we designers must realize as Tom Melior pointed out in his recent paper "Ine Designers Dilemma," that these great improvements in post-war housing have been achieved at a cost which places rens beyond the capacity of many of those families who are most in need of good housing. We have re-housed only a favoured fringe who can pay the new rents. This bogey of economics must, however, be kept in its proper place. Capacity to pay cannot be divorced from whitingness to put a priority on a good home as against other and less worth while ways of emptying a wage packet. It must also be considered against incapacity or unwillingness to produce buildings enciently, for, with a few notable exceptions both the men and the masters of the building industry have fallen short not only of our expectations but of their own past performances.

Apart from this, however, the designer can make further contributions to the problem of providing more separate houses, using the same amount of building effort that is now being expended on inefficient dwellings. Much smaller but more efficient houses can be designed to give greater use of space if full consideration is given both to space and time. When housing is viewed tour dimensionally it is easy to see that the average post-war house, good as it is, falls far below the slum dwelling as to efficiency in use of space over a given time. Not that the slum has any standard to suggest other than the twenty-four hour a day usage.

Although it may be wrong mathematically to multiply space by time there is no harm in doing so for purposes of comparing available with habitable area.

A more attractive example of high habita-

bility efficiency than the slum dwelling is the caravan. Adding its mobility to the space time usage introduces almost a fitth dimension, but to confine ourselves to four for the time being, the caravan is seen to be an acme of habitability for three main reasons:—

1. It is generally used in summer and is threfore bearably warm in all parts (sometimes unbearably).

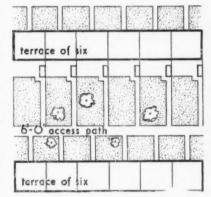
2. Its equipment is specially designed to facilitate the dual and even treble use of space.

3. The inhabitants are willing to adapt themselves to the circumstances in order to take full advantage of 1 and 2.

Now consider the typical speculative builders 950 square foot house with its method of warming, equipment and general living habits arising out of these. ("We make our houses, etc.")

Without going into great detail at the moment and being very lenient about the amount of habitable space within the small semi-circle of warmth from the average open coal fire, it may be stated conservatively that the efficiency of most British houses is less than 37½ per cent. Upstairs practically half the area of the house is usable for only a third of the time. Downstairs part of the area is available for two-thirds in summer only, less in winter; while halls, stairs and landings are used for as little time as possible.

As things are, except under extraordinary circumstances one would not dream of en-



Suggested layout for houses as described in this article.

tertaining the neighbours to a game of gin rummy in an unheated bedroom furnished with large Victorian pieces, on the other hand most of us have at some time been forcibly compelled to consider the trials of spending a night crouched on an inadequate settee or uneasily poised on a fallible combination of two easy chairs in some living room recently vacated by all but a Westminster chiming clock. Under such conditions of increased space time use the design breaks down. But with adequate warming and the right equipment it must be clear that less space used for a larger time can give as much convenience, comfort and satisfaction at less capital and consequently lower rental cost.

The two tables give space time use for the two types of house plans described:

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House B has 664 square feet including outbuilding with heating and equipment designed to facilitate a high factor of space

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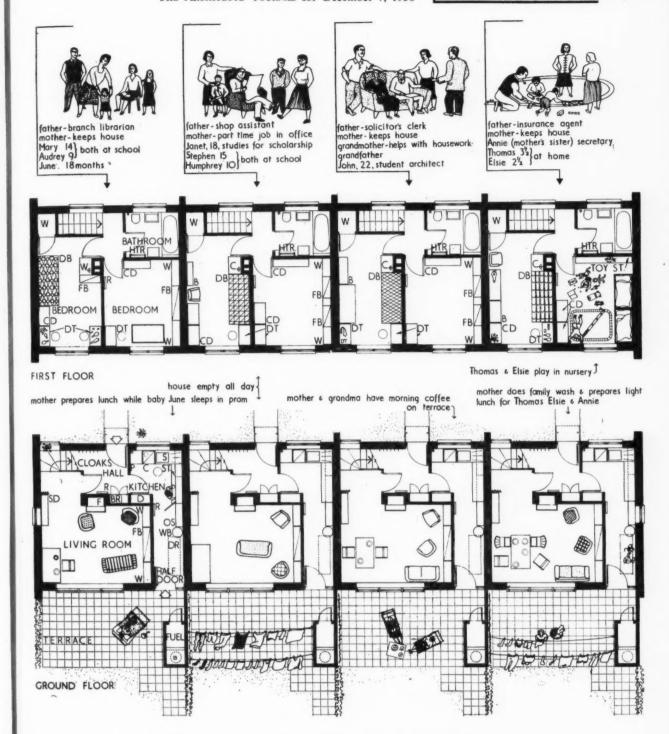
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usage. The basis of comparison is the square foot hour.

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As in any other search for an optimum we cannot ignore that the law of diminish-

we cannot ignore that the law of diminishing returns will operate with more than

ordinary severity. The savings in building, fabric and furnishings to be purchased must not be swallowed up by cost of additional equipment; the convenience of the small house should not be vitiated by an excessive number of working gadgets; finally the reduced spaces must be arranged to present an appearance of satisfactory scale. Cost of running must also be taken into account and, of course, the social problem of adjustment to new conditions. Too much should not be made of the latter. We are inclined to forget that responsibility for housing rests to a large extent with middle class professional people and public admini-



Bookcase

Broom cupboard Cooker Chest of drawers

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D DB Dresser Divan bed

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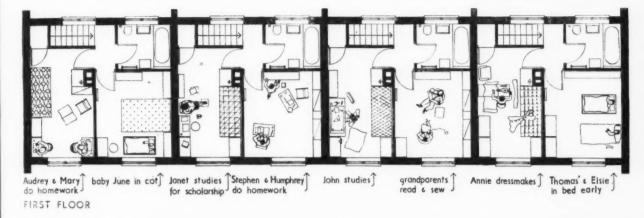


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strators. What to them looks like a lowering of standards is only a lowering of their own. To the new occupants of the houses, perhaps coming from one room dwellings, where all the cooking equipment has to be stored under a bed, an ordinary 664 square foot house would be a palace, let alone one which may be used to an extent usually only found in a much larger house—possibly larger than most of the houses occupied by those who besitze to "reduce" standards.

only found in a much larger house—possibly larger than most of the houses occupied by those who hesitate to "reduce" standards. Hitherto the social problem of combining open fire amenities with central heating efficiency has been difficult to solve. The author's first thoughts on this subject arose from a review of all the design implications of district heating and to those who have

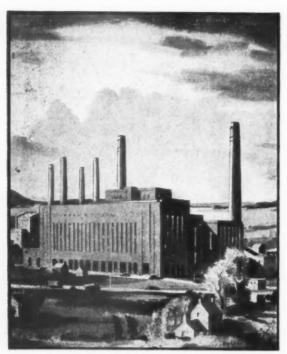
studied this subject the uncertainty of getting the average Britisher to accept fireless homes has been proved almost conclusively. Fortunately now a new down draught open fire is available which gives radiant heat and a high output of convected air and hot water at an efficiency as high as many domestic central heating boilers. Complete installations for the type B house would cost about £80 as against at least £60 for normal installations of open fires, chimneys, etc. Running costs are not high. Solid fuel consumption is less than 2 cwt. per week during eight months of the year and less than one for the other four. Extra capital and running costs for heating will be about 1s. per week assuming normal

# EVENINGO

allowances for interest and loan repayments. Economically a reduction of nearly four hundred square feet in area should reduce rent by at least six shillings per week—there may also be a reduction in rates. But some of the other less easily assessed advantages claimed for district heating will be available, for example: there will be a saving in the amount of bedding required

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Sitting Room	••!	128	75	128	5	8	91,500	123,904	215,404	area average open fire.  Assume sitting room used at week-ends in winter and half of time in summer.
Kitchen		70	70	70	8	, 8	136,640	67,760	204,400	Intermittent occupation irre-
Bedroom 1		138	138	138	8	8	269,376	133,584	402,960	Area for winter is lenient, strictly only area of bed. 30 sq. ft., is "habitable."
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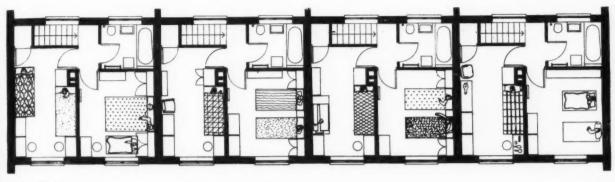
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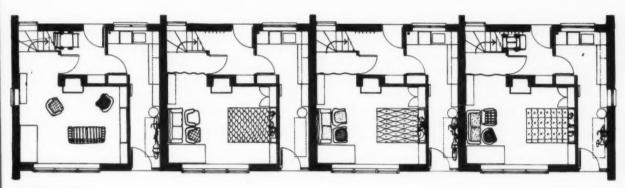
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the beds being arranged in two tiers in relatively small space—the rest being available for play or study.

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covered but they are small compared with the fundamental snag of stepping up the production of separate homes. There will be many practical theorists who can think up all manner of emergencies under which the design may fail—there is far too much of a tendency these days to let a capacity to invent emergencies sterilize even the most moderate ideas. The problem is to utilize our present building capacity for the creation of more houses, the difficulty for those who will read this article is that they must judge these proposals not only from their own viewpoint but from that of the millions who are waiting to move in.

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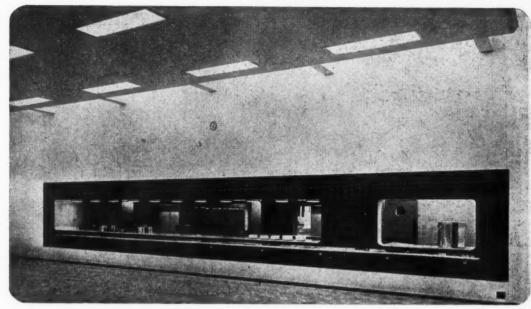
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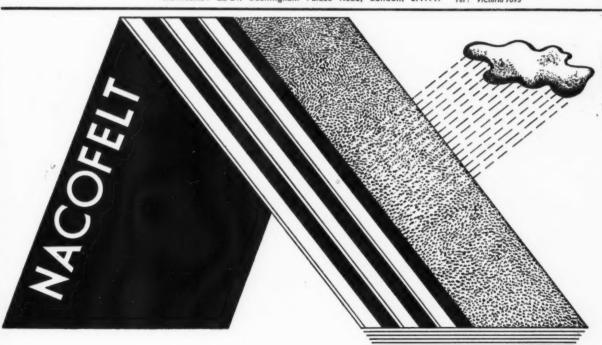
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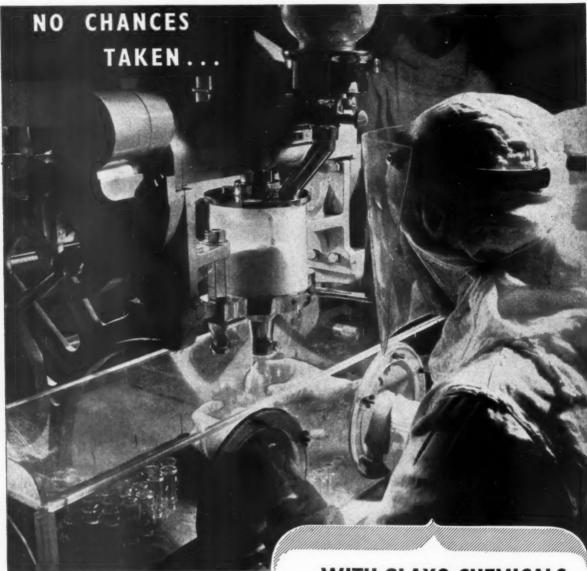
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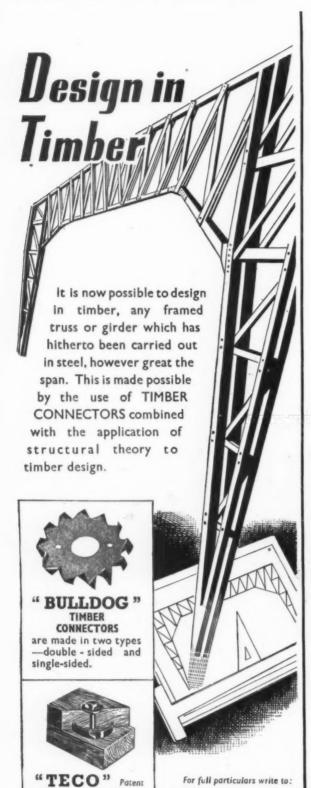
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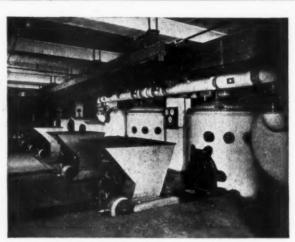
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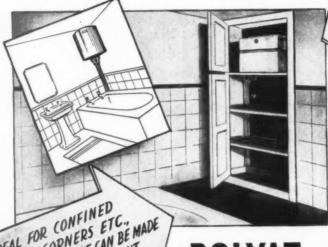
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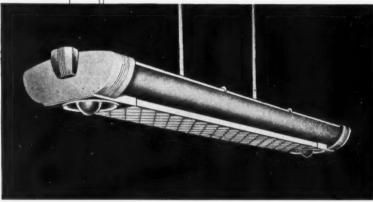
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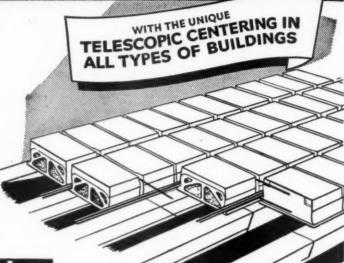
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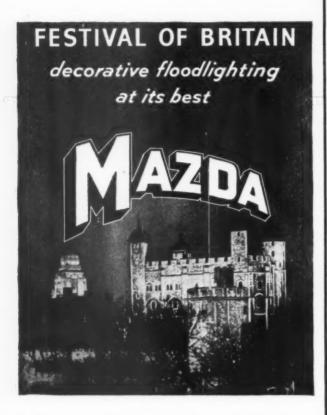
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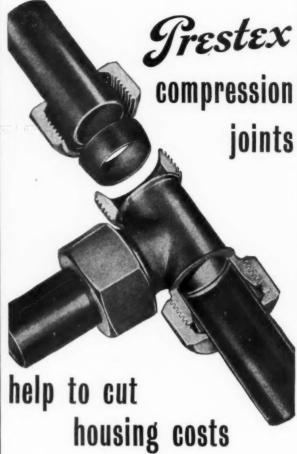


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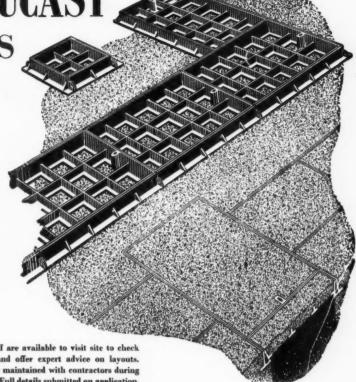
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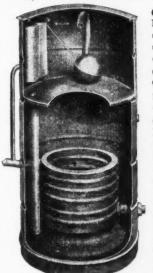
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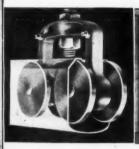
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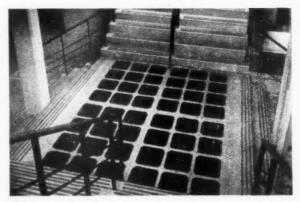
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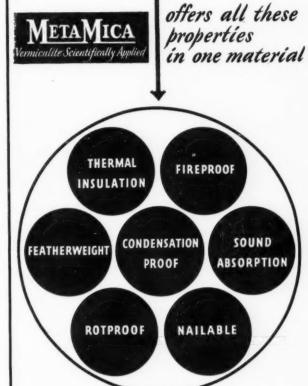
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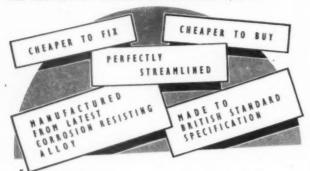
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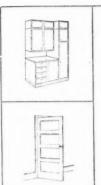
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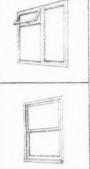


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vious experience.

Applicants must have had a reasonable training in surveying, and it would be an advantage if a pass had been obtained in the Intermediate Examination (Land Survey) of the R.I.C.S.

Appointees who are probationer members of the R.I.C.S. may be given the opportunity to complete the examination for registration in New Zealand.

of these salaries carry an additional n wage increase of £18 5s. (N.Z.) per

annum.
Full details of conditions of contract, trans-portation and accommodation allowances, also application forms, are available on request from:

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THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR NEW
ZEALAND,
415, Strand, London, W.C.2,
with whom completed applications, in duplicate,
should be lodged not later than 10th December,
1950. Consideration will, however, be given to late
applications received before the 10th January,
1951

CITY OF WESTMINSTER.
HOUSING DEPARTMENT.
JUNIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT
(PERMANENT).
Applications are invited for the above appointment from candidates who intend to make architecture a career.
They should have received a good general education, to School Certificate or Matriculation standard, and have undergone or be prepared to undergo training in Architecture and Building Construction.

standard, and have undergone or be prepared to undergo training in Architecture and Building Construction.

Salary in accordance with General Division (£145 at age 16 to £415 at age 32) if unqualified, rising to A.P.T., Grades I, II and III (maximum £525) on satisfactory service and passing the R.I.B.A. Intermediate Examination or its equivalent at one of the recognised Schools of Architecture.

Architecture. Applications, marked "Housing Department-Architectural Assistant," stating full name and age with other particulars, and whether related to any member or chief officer of the Council, with a copy of a recent testimonial, must be received by 9 a.m. on Monday, 18th December, 1960.

PARKER MORRIS, Town Clerk.

Westminster City Hall, Charing Cross Road, W.C.2. 25th November, 1950.

NORTH-WEST METROPOLITAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD.
Applications are invited for the following appointments in the Architect's Department. This Department is responsible for the preparation and supervision of schemes for building all types of Hospitals, including staff housing schemes, and for the extensions and adaptations to existing hospitals and other premises in the Region, which covers the whole of Bedfordshire and large areas of Hertfordshire, Middlesex, London, Berkshire and Buckingham-shire.

Middlesex, London, Berkshire and Buckinghamshire.
ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS. Grade A.P.T., VI, 2595 to 2660 per annum. Three vacancies.
Applicants should be Members of the R.I.B.A. or about to take their Final Examinations. Good general experience in design and construction is essential. A knowledge of hospital work is desirable.

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JUNIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT.
Grade A.P.T., V, £520 to £570 per annum. One

Grade A.P.T., V. £520 to £570 per annum. One vacancy.

Applicants should have passed the Intermediate Examination of the R.I.B.A. Good general experience im design and construction and a knowledge of Hospital work is desirable.

London weighting, £20 at age 21 and £30 at age 26, is payable in addition to the above salaries, which will commence at the minimum of the Grades.

Appointments, which are subject to medical examination, and to the National Health Service (Superannuation) Regulations, 1950, will be terminable by one month's notice.

Applications, stating age and details of experience, together with names of two professional referees, should be addressed to the Secretary, North-West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board, 11a, Portland Place, London, W.1, not later than 22nd December, 1966.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BIRKENHEAD.
APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL STAFF.
Applications are invited for the positions of
ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS, Grade A.P.T., VIII,
salary £685-£760 per annum, and Grade A.P.T.,
VI, salary £695-£660 per annum; and QUANTITY
SURVEYORS, Grade A.P.T., IV, salary £480-£525

SURVEYORS, Grade A.P.T., IV, salary £480.£525 per annum.

Applicants for the positions of Assistant Architects should be Registered Architects and/or Members of the R.I.B.A., and have a sound knowledge of architectural design and construction and be capable of preparing complete sets of drawings, details, etc.

The appointments will be terminable in each case by one month's notice on either side; are subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful applicants will be required to pass medical examinations. They will not be allowed to engage in private practice. Forms of application may be obtained from the undersigned.

Application, in envelopes endorsed "Assistant Architects" and "Quantity Surveyors" respectively, stating age, experience and qualifications, and accompanied by copies of three recent testimonials, must reach the undersigned by not later than 10 a.m. on Thursday, the 21st December, 1950.

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Canvasing, directly or indirectly, will disqualify, and applicants must disclose to the undersigned in writing if they are related to any member or senior officer of the Council.

DONALD P. HEATH,

Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Birkenhead. 1st December, 1950.

Town Hall, Birkenhead.

1st December, 1950.

METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF POPLAR.

APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF ARCHITECTURAL

ASSISTANT (GRADE A.P.T., VII).

Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons for the permanent appointment of CHIEF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT in the Architect's Section of the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department. The salary payable will be in accordance with Grade A.P.T., VII, of the National Salary Scales, i.e., £635-£710 per annum, plus London "weighting."

Applicants should have had experience of housing and multi-storey flats, and have a good knowledge of building construction and specification writing, and must be able to supervise a team of assistants.

Several schemes, including interesting constructional and detailing problems, are in hand or under construction, and the applicant appointed will be engaged on these projects.

Preference will be given to applicant who are Associate Members of the Royal Institute of British Architects.

Full details of the appointment and forms on which application must be made, may be obtained from the Borough Engineer and Surveyor, Poplar Town Hall, Bow Road, E.3, to whom completed applications must be delivered not later than first post on Monday, 1st January, 1951.

Poplar Town Hall, Bow Road, E.3, 24th November, 1950.

ROAD HAULAGE EXECUTIVE.

The Road Haulage Executive invite application.

24th November, 1950.

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ROAD HAULAGE EXECUTIVE.
The Road Haulage Executive invite applications for positions as DRAUGHTSMEN in their South-Eastern Divisional Office, with headquarters in London. Applicants must be able to carry out land and building surveys. One vacancy will be for a Draughtsman who must have reached at least the Intermediate Examination Standard of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors or the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors or the Royal Institute of British Architects. Applications in duplicate should state date of birth; qualifications; previous experience; present post and salary. Candidates selected for appointment will, where eligible, be expected to join a contributory superannuation scheme, and in this respect to comply with whatever provisions are decided upon later for the staff of the Executive as a whole.

Applications should be addressed to

as a whole.

Applications should be addressed to:

THE DIVISIONAL MANAGER (S.V.),
South-Eastern Division,
Road Haulage Exerutive,
238, City Road, E.C.1,
and should be forwarded not later than 14 days
after the appearance of this advertisement.
Salaries will depend on age, qualifications and
experience, but the commencing figure will not
be less than £365 p.a. 1375

SALOP COUNTY COUNCIL.
COUNTY ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT.
Applications are invited for the following
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(1) ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. A.P.T., Grades II.-III (420 to £495 per annum).

(2) JUNIOR. ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. A.P.T., Grades III.-III (2400 to £455 per annum). The appointments will be subject to one month's notice in writing on either side; to the terms of the National Joint Council's Scheme of Conditions of Service, and to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937. The successful applicants will be required to pass a medical examination.

Application forms may be obtained from the County Architect. A. G. Chant, F.R.I.B.A., Column House, London Read, Shrewsbury, to whom they must be returned, accompanied by copies of not more than three recent testimonials, not later than Saturday, 30th December, 1950.

G. C. GODBER,

Clerk of the Council.

Shrewsbury. November, 1950.

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IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the post of SUPERINTENDENT OF WORKS, Tunisia Area, in the Western Mediterranean District.

All candidates should be under 50 years of age, have had experience in carrying out constructional work abroad, and have some knowledge of the country. A knowledge of French is desirable. Salary scale £500×£20—£625 per annum, plus Foreign Service Allowance, at present at the rate of about £350 per annum for a married man accompanied by his wife, £255 per annum for a married man unaccompanied by his wife, or £175 per annum for a single man.

Applications to be addressed to Appointments Officer, Imperial War Graves Commission.

GUTY AND ROYAL BURGH OF EDINBURGH.

TOWN PLANNING DEPARTMENT

ESTABLISHMENT.

Applications are invited for the following appointments:—
PLANNING OFFICERS. Salary £900 per

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PLANNING OFFICERS. Salary £900 per annum.
Qualifications and experience of candidates should be as below:—
Appointment: Corporate Membership of the Town Planning Institute is essential, together with an additional qualification in Architecture. The successful candidates will be responsible for detailed work on the Development Plan, the preparation of detailed layout plans, street elevations, and contributing advice upon architectural developments from time to time in connection with these duties.

Two houses are available towards meeting the requirements of successful candidates. The right of allocation is reserved to the Corporation.

Applications, stating age, present and previous appointments and prevent salary, qualifications and experience, should be forwarded to the Town Planning Officer. City Chambers, Edinburgh, 1, within 14 days from the appearance of this advertisement.

J. STORRAR, Town Clerk 27th November, 1950.

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NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.
COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT.
Applications are invited for the following appointments, namely:—
SURVEY AND RESEARCH SECTION:
SENIOR PLANNING ASSISTANT. Salary
£555-£660 p.a.
Applicants should have had considerable experience in the preparation of a County Development Plan and hold the qualification of Corporate Member of the Royal Institute of British Architects. An additional qualification of Corporate Member of the Town Planning Institute will be an advantage.

DEVELOPMENT AND CONTROL SECTION:
SENIOR PLANNING ASSISTANT.
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SENIOR PLANNING ASSISTANT. Salary
2590-2660 pa.
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general administrative work connected with a
Planning Office; and hold the qualification of
Corporate Member of the Town Planning Institute. An additional qualification in engineering,
surveying or architecture would be an advantage.
PLANNING ASSISTANT. Salary £520-£570 p.a.
Applicants should preferably have had experience in Bu'lding and Land Development and the
general administrative work of a Planning Office,
but Local Government experience is not essential.
The qualification of Corporate Member of the
Town Planning Institute will be an advantage,
but applicants who possess other suitable qualifications will be considered.
Further particulars are obtainable from the
County Director of Planning, Shire Hall.
Nottingham, by whom completed applications
must be received by Mcnday, 18th December,
1950. Canvassing will disqualify.

K. TWEEDALE MEABY,
Clerk of the County Council.
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ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTIES OF EAST AND WEST SUPFOLK.

COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

Applications are invited for the appointment of CHIEF PLANNING ASSISTANT in the County Planning Department.

The salary will be within Grade VIII (£685-£760 per annum) of the National Joint Council's Scales, with scale allowance for use of motor car; and will be determinable by one month's rotice on cither side.

Candidates must have passed the Associate Membership Examination of the Town Planning Institute or equivalent examination, and preference will be given to those possessing a degree or diploma in architecture.

The successful applicant will be attached to the Development Plan Section in charge of the drawing office, and considerable experience in the preparation of development plans and the detailed planning of residential and industrial areas is essential.

Applications, stating age, qualifications, experience, present and past appointments, present salary, and giving names and addresses of two referees, to be delivered to the County Planning Officer, County Hall, Ipswich, not later than Saturday morning, the 23rd December, 1950.

Canvassing, directly or indirectly, will disquality.

Clerk of the East Sufolk County Council.

G. C. LIGHTFOOT,
Clerk of the East Suffolk County Council.
County Hall, Ipswich,
29th November, 1960.

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COUNTY BOROUGH OF BOURNEMOUTH.
BORUGH ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT.
Applications are invited for the following applications:

ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. Unestablished post. ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. Unestablished post. Salary Grade A.P.T., VI, £595.£660 per annum. Required for reconstruction works on beach

Required for reconstruction works on beach buildings.
Applicants must be Members of the R.I.B.A.
The successful candidate will be appointed at his present salary if such salary is within the incremental scale of the advertised post.
The above appointment will be terminable by one month's notice in writing on either side and subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, also to the conditions of service in accordance with the National Scheme.
The successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination.
No assistance can be ohered regarding housing accommodation.

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Applications, on forms to be obtained from the Borough Architect, Town Hall, Bournemouth, accompanied by copies of three recent testimonials, to be returned to the undersigned in envelopes endorsed "Staff Architectural," not later than 9 a.m. Saturday, 16th December, 1950.

A. LINDSAY CLEGG, Town Clerk.

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH.
CITY ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT.
Applications are invited for the following appointments:—
(a) ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS. Grade VI (£555-5,660), and Grade V (£520-£570).
Applicants should be Associates R.I.B.A.
(b) ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT. Grade IV (£480-£525).

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IV (£480-£25).
Applicants should be of Intermediate R.I.B.A.
standard with adequate office experience.
(c) ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYORS.
Grade VI (£595-£660).
Candidates should be Professional Associates
of the Chartered Surveyors' Institution, qualified
in the Quantities Sub-Division, with experience
in taking-off, abstracting, billing, estimating, site
measurement, preparation of interim certificates,
and final accounts.
(d) ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYORS.
Grade V (£520-£570).
Candidates should be experienced in taking-off,
abstracting, billing, estimating, site measurement, preparation of interim certificates, and
final accounts.
A special subsistence allowance may be paid
to a married applicant for a period of six months
after taking up the appointment if he is unable
to secure housing accommodation immediately.
Applications, setting out in tabular form, name,
age, qualifications, present post and salary, previous posts with dates, details of experience, with
names of three referees, must be delivered to the
undersigned not later than 10 a.m. on Monday,
lst January, 1951.
Canvassing will disqualify.

V. BLANCHARD,
Town Clerk.

City Council Chambers, 1, Clarence Parade, Portsmouth. 23rd November, 1950.

23rd November, 1950.

23rd November, 1950.

ARCHITECTURAL DEPARTMENT, HASTINGS SCHOOL OF ART.

Wanted, as soon as possible, a qualified partime INSTRUCTOR, to teach Construction and Structural Mechanics in the above department, which is, at present, housed in temporary premises at Memorial Chambors, 7, Cambridge Road, Hastings.

Applications by letter (no forms), including information as to age, qualifications and required payment per hour, stating the number of hours per week the applicant would be able to give to the work of the School, should reach the undersigned within 14 days of publication.

W. NORMAN KING, M.Sc., Chief Education Officer.

Education Office, 18, Wellington Square, Hastings.

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ROYAL BOROUGH OF KINGSTON-UPON-

Hastings. 1345

ROYAL BOROUGH OF KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES.
BOROUGH SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.
APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL
ASSISTANT.
Applications are invited for the appointment of an Architectural Assistant, at a salary in accordance with Grade III of the A.P.T. Division of the National Scale of Salaries. 2450, rising by annual increments of £15 to £495, plus London weighting. Applicants should have passed the R.I.B.A. Intermediate Examination or its equivalent at one of the recognised Schools of Architecture.

The appointment is a permanent one and will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination. The appointment is subject to one month's notice on either side.
Applications, stating age, qualifications and experience, and accompanied by the names and addresses of not more than three persons to whom reference can be made, must be sent in a sealed envelope endorsed "Architectural Assistant" so as to reach the undersigned not later than noon, 18th December, 1950.

A. W. FORSDIKE,

A. W. FORSDIKE, Town Clerk.

Guildhall, Kingston-upon-Thames. November, 1960.

BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS.
Applications are invited for the undermentioned posts in the Engineer and Surveyor's Department:—
(1) A SENIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT (Housing). A.P.T., Grade VII. Candidates should have the A.R.I.B.A. or equivalent qualification.
2) AN ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT (Housing). A.P.T., Grade IV.

If necessary, housing accommodation will be offered.

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The appointments will be subject to: (a) the provisions of the Local Government Superannual from Act, 1937; (b) the National Scheme of Conditions of Service; (c) satisfactory passing of a medical examination.

Applications, stating age, qualifications and experience, together with the names and addresses of two references, should be addressed to the undersigned, in envelopes endorsed "Architectural Assistant, Grade .....," to be received not later than Saturday, 16th December, 1950.

Candidates must, when making application, disclose in writing whether they are related to any member or senior officer of the Council, and canvassing, directly or indirectly, will disqualify.

ALFRED S. MAYS.

Clerk of the Council.

Old Court House, Wood Street, Barnet, Herts.

22nd November, 1950. 1336

Old Court House, Wood Street, Barnet, Herts.

22nd November, 1950.

CITY OF SALFORD.

Applications are invited for the appointment of TWO ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS on the permanent staff of the City Engineer and Surveyor's Department. Salary Grades A.P.T., IV (£490-£525) and A.P.T., V (£520-£570).

Candidates for the appointment in Grade V should hold an approved Architectural qualification and for Grade IV should have passed the Intermediate Examination of the R.I.B.A. and have hal at least two years' experience in an Architectural office.

The appointments will be subject to:—

(a) The provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937;
(b) the passing of a medical examination;
(c) the Standing Orders of the Council.

Applications, stating age, qualifications and experience, together with particulars of past and present employment, accompanied by copies of two recent testimonials, should be forwarded in envelopes endorsed "Architectural Assistant," addressed to the City Engineer, Town Hall, Salford 3, Lancs., so as to be received not later than 15th December, 1950.

Applicants must disclose, in writing, whether or not they are related to any member of the Council or an officer of the Authority.

H. H. TOMSON,

NATIONAL COAL BOARD—BAST MIDLANDS.

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ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT.

Applications are invited for the following permanent and superannuated appointments:—

(a) ARCHITECT, Grade I. Salary £700×£25—£375 per annum.

(b) ARCHITECTS, Grade II. Salary £450×£25—£700 per annum.

The point of entry into the relevant salary scales will depend on the qualifications and experience of the successful applicants, and subject to satisfactory service, opportunities will be available for promotion to higher grades.

The architectural work of the Department covers all eaw projects in the Division, which embraces five counties. The work is of considerable variety and interest and includes the design of industrial buildings of all types concerned in the planning of collieries, such as workshops, power plants, offices, stores, pithead baths, canteens, medical centres, recreation buildings, convalescent homes, etc.

Part-time studying facilities are given to assistants in the Department to avail themselves of Architecture.

Applications, stating age, education, qualifications, experience, present appointment and salary, should be submitted within 14 days of publication of this advertisement to:

\*\*THE SECRETARY\*\*
National Coal BOARD\*\*

THE SECRETARY,
National Coal Board,
National Coal Board,
East Midlands Division, Sherwood Lodge,
Arnold, near Nottingham.
Envelopes should be marked "S.V.48," and
original testimonials should not be sent. 1293

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL.

Applications are invited for the appointment in the Buildings Department of an ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT, at a salary within A.P.T., Grades II-III (£420-£445).

Candidates must have passed the Intermediate Examination of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and have had experience in the preparation of working drawings and development of detail drawings.

The commencing salary will be dependent upon the experience of the successful candidate.

The post is superannuable, and the successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination.

Applications on forms obtainable from the County Architect. Springfield, Maidstone, should be delivered to him within two weeks of the appearance of this advertisement.

W. L. PLATTS,

Clerk of the County Council.

County Hall, Maidstone.

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COUNTY BOROUGH OF CROYDON.
TEMPORARY CLERK OP WORKS.
Applications are invited for this appointment from pers. ns accuste med to dealing with housing contracts and building.
Salary £10 10s. for 44-hour week.
Applications on forms from the Borough Engineer must be received by him within 14 days after this advertisement is published.
Canvassing will disqualify.
E. TABERNER,
Town Clerk.

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E. TABERNER,

November, 1950.

HIS MAJESTY'S COLONIAL SERVICE.

Two vacancies exist for TOWN PLANNING
OFFICERS in the Town Planning Department of
Tanganyika. One appointment is on centract for
2-3 years on a fixed salary of \$2,200, with a
gratuity of £37 los. for each 3 months' service
on satisfactory completion of contract. The
other is on probation for permanent and pensionable employment on the salary scale of £655 to
£1.320. A non-pensionable staticn allowance of
£50 per annum is payable to officers in DaresSalaam, Lindi, Mikindani, and Mt. Wara. An
outfit allowance of £15 to £45 is also payable.

Applicants should be between 33 and 45 and
must be Associate Members of the Town Planning
Institute and, in addition, should be Corperate
Members of either the Institution of Civil
Engineers, the Institution of Municipal Engineers,
the Royal Institute of British Architects, or the
Chartered Surveyors' Institution. Considerable
experience of the preparation of town planning
schemes in all stages and the control of development are essential.

The officer appointed will be responsible to the
Chief Town Planning Officer for the accumulation
of basic data and the preparation of planning
schemes for a number of townships in the
territory. In the first instance, he will ar rmally
be stationed in Dares-Salaam, but will be required to undertake extensive journeys to upcountry townships. The work is of unusual
interest professionally, and affords good opportunities for travel by air, road and rail within
the territory.

Terms of service include free first-class passages
each way each tour for the officer, his wife and
children (up to a maximum of three adult
passages in all), and free medical attention for
the officer, which is extended to his wife and
children for the salary. Home leave
on full pay is granted after tours of two
to three years at the rate of 5 days for each month
of residential service. Income tax and local
taxes at local rates.

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BOROUGH OF DEVIZES.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANT.

Applications are invited for the temporary appointment of TECHNICAL ASSISTANT in the office of the Borough Surveyor and Water Engineer, to assist in the preparation of schemes for the Council's permanent housing programme, at a salary in accordance with Grade II (A.P.T.) of the National Scale of Salaries.

Applicants should have had grod experience in the preparation of schemes of Municipal housing, including sewerage, highways and water supply. Preference will be given to applicants who have passed an examination of the Institution of Civil Engineers or the Institution of Municipal Engineers or the Royal Institute of British Architects. Forms of application and any further particulars may be obtained from and applications should be addressed to the Borough Surveyor and Water Engineer, The Chequers, Devizes All applications should be received in an envelope endorsed "Technical Assistant," by not later than noon on Tuesday, 2nd January, 1951.

The appointment will be subject to one month's notice on either side.

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A. HODGE.
Town Clerk.

Midland Bank Chambers, Devizes, Wilts.
22nd November, 1950.

FERMANAGH COUNTY EDUCATION
COMMITTEE.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT ARCHITECT.
Applications are invited from fully qualified drehitects for a post on the permanent staff of the Architect's Department.

The salary scale will be £650×£25 to £750 per annum, and the point of entry to the scale will be determined according to the experience of the person apprinted.

Preference will be given to suitably qualified ex-Service applicants provided the Committee is satisfied that such applicants can, or within a reasonable time will be able to, fill the post efficiently.

The successful candidate will be required to contribute in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act (Northern Ireland), 1950.

Forms of application and conditions of appointment may be obtained from the undersigned with whom comp'eted applications must be lodged not later than Saturday, 13th January, 1951.

J. MA-ONE

Education Office, 27. High Street.

Enniskillen. Northern Ireland.
23rd November, 1950.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL.
PLANNING ASSISTANTS, A.P.T., GRADE VI

Applications are invited from qualified and suitably experienced candidates for the above permanent appointments in the Department of the Cunty Planning Officer. Further particulars as to duties, car and subsistence allowances, etc., and forms of application, may be obtained on request from the County Planning Officer, Citadel Chambers, Carlisle, to whom completed forms are required to be returned by Saturday, 23rd December, 1950.

G. N. C. SWIFT. Clerk of the County Council.

MINISTRY OF WORKS.

There are vacancies in the Chief Architect's Division for ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS and LEADING ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS with recognised training and fair experience. Successful candidates will be employed in London and elsewhere on a wide variety of Public Buildings, iffelding Atomic energy and other Research Establishments, Telephone Exchanges, and Housing.

Salary: Architectural Assistants, £300-£525 per nnum; Leading Architectural Assistants, £500-£625 per annum. Starting pay will be assessed cording to age, qualifications and experience. These rates are for London; a small deduction is nade in the Provinces.

Although these are not established posts, some off them have long term possibilities, and cometitions are held periodically to fill established acancies.

vacancies.

Apply in writing, stating age, nationality, full details of experience and locality preferred, to Chief Architect, W.G.10/BC, Ministry of Works, Abell House, London, S.W.1, quoting reference W.G. 10/BC.

Abell House, London, S.W.1, quoting reference W.G. 10/BC.

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.

QUALIFYING EXAMINATION FOR THE OFFICE OF DISTRICT SURVEYOR.

Formal notice is hereby given that the next examination of persons desirous of obtaining a certificate of proficiency to perform the duties of the office of district surveyor will be conducted in London in October, 1951, by the Board established by the London County Council, in accordance with Section 77 of the London Building Acts (Amendment) Act, 1939. The minimum age limit for candidates is 25.

Possession of this certificate carries eligibility to compete for appointment to vacant positions as District Surveyor, at maximum salaries ranging from £1,200 to £1,800 a year (inclusive), or as Assistant District Surveyor (salary scale £840 by £40 to £960 a year).

It is intended to hold subsequent examinations amountally.

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Assistant District Surveyor (salary scale £840 by £40 to £960 a year).

It is intended to hold subsequent examinations annually.

For regulations governing candidature, the current syllabus and application forms for the examination, or for any further information, apply to the Architect to the Council, County Hall, Westminster Bridge, S.E.1. (1451)

Westminster Bridge, S.E.I. (1451) 1245
HIS MAJESTY'S COLONIAL SERVICE—HONG
KONG.

A vacancy exists for an ARCHITECT in the
Public Work's Department, Hong Kong, on a
salary scale of \$1.047 to \$1.820 per month
(equivalent to \$735.21.365 per annum). The
duties will include the preparation of designs
for and erection of Government buildings.

A cost-of-living allowance is payable varying
from \$356 per month for a single officer to \$610
per month for a married officer with children.
Appointment will be on agreement for three years,
and free passages are provided for an officer, his
wife, and up to three children on appointment
and on satisfactory completion of his agreement.
He may be required to travel by air on duty.
Quarters are provided at just over one-ninth
of the salary advertised. Educational facilities
are available up to secondary school standard.
One of the salary advertised for every 12 days'
residents.

Quarters are provided at just over one-ninth of the salary advertised. Educational facilities are available up to secondary school standard. One day's leave is granted for every 12 days' resident service.

Candidates, preferably between the ages of 28 and 35, should hold the qualification of A.R.I.B.A., and should have at least 5 years' practical experience. The agreement may be followed by an offer of permanent employment.

Candidates should write for a form of application, stating age, qualifications and experience, to the Director of Recruitment (Colonial Service). Colonial Office, Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London, S.W.I. Please mention this paper in your reply and quote No. 27301/37.

APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL.

WM. C. SPEEDY.

C'erk of the Council.

Council House, The Green, Cannock.

EAST KILBRIDE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.
The Corporation invite applications for the ollowing appointments:—
(1) SENIOR ARCHITECTS. Grade I. Salary

following appointments:—
(1) SENIOR ARCHITECTS. Grade I. Salary scale, £55-£1,000 per annum.
Applicants should be fully qualified and experienced Architects, capable of directing and supervising a section of the housing work of the Corporation. They should have post-war experience in the design and construction of residential areas and the handling of Contracts. Associate Membership of the Town Planning Institute or completion of a degree or diploma course in Town Planning is desirable but not essential.
(2) SENIOR ARCHITECTS. Grade II. Salary scale, £760-£900 per annum.
Applicants should be fully qualified and experienced Architects, capable of carrying out substantial projects from start to completion, including the handling of Contracts. Posts are available on this grade for the following work:—

(a) Housing developments.
(b) Industrial and commercial building.

(c) Schools.

Post-war experience in at least one of these three fie.ds is essential. Vacancies also exist on this grade for candidates who have had planning experience in these fields.

Candidates for posts under (1) or (2) should show evidence of a sensitive approach to the contemporary design, equipment and layout of buildings.

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(3) ARCHITECTS. Salary scale, £550 £760 per

(3) ARCHITECTS. Salary scale, £550 £760 per annum.

Applicants should possess similar qualifications, etc., to (2) above. except that they will work under the direction of a Senior Architect.

(4) ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS. Salary scale, £460 £252 per annum.

(5) JU.TOR ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS. Salary scale, £390 £465 per annum.

In respect of each of the above posts a placing on the scale will be given according to qualifications and/or experience.

The appointments are subject to the Corporation's Conditions of Service and Superannuation Agreement. The selected candidates will be required to pass a medical examination. A house will be made available if required. Application forms may be obtained from the General Manager, Torrance House, £ast Kilbride, to whom they should be returned not later than 21st December, 1950.

Canvassing, directly or indirectly, of the members of the Corporation will constitute an absolute disqualification.

This advertisement appeared at an earlier date in newspapers, but was delayed in this journal owing to printing difficulties.

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF CORBY.

ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S

Applications are invited for the undermentioned appointments on the permanent staff of the Engineer and Surveyor:—
(1) ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. The salary will be in accordance with training and experience and will be as follows:
For Registered Architects with less than six years' experience in an Architect's office or at a School of Architecture, Grade V, A.P.T. Division (£520-£570).

Registered Architects with six or more years' experience in an Architect's office or at a School of Architecture, Grade V, A.P.T. Division (£520-£560).

Registered Architects with six or more years' experience in an Architect's office or at a School of Architecture, Grade Va (£550-£610) or VI (£595-£660), according to qualifications and practical experience.

Candidates must have previous experience of the design of buildings, preparation of working drawings, building details and estimating.

(2) TRACER/DRAUGHTSMAN (Male or Female). Salary in accordance with Grade III. Miscelaneous Division of the National Scale of Salaries (£315 to £375). Applicants must be neat and expeditious draughtsmen, well experienced in the tracing of Architectural and Engineering Drawings and tracing from ordnance maps, and must be able, also, to undertake lettering thereon of a high standard.

Housing accommodation will be made available to the selected married candidates, if required.

Housing accommodation will be made available to the selected married candidates, if required. The provision of the Local Government Super-annuation Act, 1937, will apply to both appoint-

ments.

Forms of application can be obtained from the undersigned, and requests therefore should indicate the position for which application is being made.

Completed forms must be received not later than moon on Friday, the 22nd December, 1950.

G. B. BLACKALL.

Council Offices, Corby, 1st December, 1960.

Council Offices, Corby, Northants.

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.

ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT.

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Applications are invited for positions of ARCHITECT, Grade II (£700-£840); ARCHITECT, Grade III (£700-£840); ARCHITECT, Grade III (£500-£700), and TECHNICAL ASSISTANT (up to £580), for work on new schools and major alterations and extensions to existing schools. The positions are superannuable. Candidates for Grades II and III should possess professional qualifications. Application forms obtainable from the Architect (AR/EK/S), The County Hall, S.E.I. (enclosing stamped addressed foolscap envelope), to be returned by 30th December, 1950. Canvassing disqualifies. (1569). 1398

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COUNTY BOROUGH OF NEWPORT, MON. Applications are invited for the undermentioned appointments in the Borough Architect's Department:—

\*\*PERMANENT APPOINTMENTS:\*\*

ONE ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. Salary, Grade VI (£552-£560).

ONE ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. Salary, Grade V (£520-£570).

ONE ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT. Salary, Grade III (£450-£445).

ONE ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYOR. Salary Grade VII (£635-£710).

TEMPONARY APPOINTMENTS:

ONE ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. Salary, Grade VII (£55-£660).

ONE ASSISTANT ARCHITECT. Salary, Grade VI (£595-£660).
ONE ARC HITECTURAL ASSISTANT. Salary, Grade IV (£480-£25).
ONE ARCHITE-1 URAL ASSISTANT. Salary, Grade III (£450-£495).
ONE ARCHITE-1 URAL ASSISTANT. Salary, Grade II (£420-£465).
ONE ARCHITE-UURAL DRAUGHTSMAN. Salary, General Division (£135 at 16 to £385 at 29 veers).

ONE ARCHITECTURAL DRAUGHISMAN, Salary, General Division (£135 at 16 to £385 at 32 years), ONE ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYOR, Salary, Grade VI (£595-£660), ONE CLERK OF WORKS, Salary, Grade IV

ONE CLERK OF WORKS. Salary, Grade IV (£480-£525).

A cand-date who is related to a member or senior officer of the Council must disclose the fact in the application. Canvassing, directly or indirectly, will disqualify.

Applications should reach me not later than Monday, 18th December, 1950, giving full details of education and qualifications and the names of two referees.

eferees.

JOHNSON BLACKETT, F.R.I.B.A.,

Borough Architect.
1393 Civic Centre, Newport, Mon.

CITY AND ROYAL BURGH OF EDINBURGH.
TOWN PLANNING DEPARTMENT
ESTABLISHMENT.
Applications are invited for the following

DRAUGHTSMEN.

Qualifications and experience of candidates should be as below:—

Appointment: Training and experience in Architecture, Engineering or Surveying at least up to Intermediate standard of recognised school essential. Candidates should be good draughtsmen, and will prepare fair copies of layout plans connected with statutory development, copies for public exhibition, etc. Skilled perspective drawing an added advantage.

Applications, stating age, present and previous appointments and present salry, qualifications and experience, should be forwarded to the Town Planning Officer, City Chambers, Edinburgh, 1, within 14 days from the appearance of this advertisement.

J. STORRAR, Town Clerk. 27th November, 1950.

BOROUGH OF WIMBLEDON.
BOROUGH ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.
Applications are invited for the following app.intments on the established staff...

(a) ONE CHIEF ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT, on Grade A.P.T., VII, at a commencing salary of £635 per arnum, rising by three annual increments of £25 to a maximum of £710 per annum. Applicants must have had considerable experience in an Architect's office, and must be Associate Members of the Royal Institute of British Architects and be Registered Architects.

(b) TWO SENIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS, on Grade A.P.T., VI, at a commencing salary of £595 per annum. Applicants must be Registered Architects.

Candidates must have had considerable experience in an Architect's office, and maximum of £600 per annum. Applicants must be Registered Architects.

Candidates must have had considerable experience in an Architect's office, and membership of the Royal Institute of British Architects would be an advantage.

(c) ONE GENERAL ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT, on Grade A.P.T., III, at a commencing salary of £450 per annum, rising by three annual increments of £15 to a maximum of £496 per annum. Applicants must have had considerable experience in an architectural office for a minimum period of three years, and have passed the R.I.B.A. Intermediate Examination or its equivalent at one of the recognised Schools of Architecture. London weighting is paid in addition to the above salaries, and the appointments are subject to:

(a) The National Scheme of Conditions of

above salaries, and the appointments are subject to:—

(a) The National Scheme of Conditions of Service;

(b) The provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Acts, and

(c) satisfactory medical examination.

Applications, endorsed "Chief Architectural Assistant," "Senior Architectural Assistant," and "General Architectural Assistant," and "General Architectural Assistant," and action former local government service, present and previous appointments and experience, length of notice required to terminate present appointment, and the names and addresses of three persons as referees, must be forwarded to the Borough Engineer and Surveyor by Friday, 2nd December, 1950.

Candidates must disclose in writing to the undersigned if to their knowledge they are related to any member or senior officer of the Council.

EDWIN M. NEAVE.

Town Hall, Wimbledon, S.W.19.

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COUNTY BOROUGH OF GREAT YARMOUTH.
BOROUGH ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT.
APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR ASSISTANT
ARCHITECT.
Applications are invited for the appointment of a Senior Assistant Architect in the Borough Engineer's Department. Saiary A.P.T., Grade VI (£959-2660). Candidates should be Associates of the Royal Institute of British Architects, but need not have had previous Local Government experience. The appointment will be terminable by one month's notice on either side and will be subject to the provision of the Local Government Superannation Act, 1937, and to the passing of a medical examination.
Housing accommodation will be offered to the successful applicant, if married.
Applications, stating age, qualifications and experience, together with the names of three persons to whom reference could be made, should be enclosed in an envelope endorsed "Senior Assistant Architect," and must be received by me not later than Friday, 22nd December, 1950. Canvassing will be deemed a disqualification, and cannotates must disclose in writing any relationship to any member or holder of any senior once under the Council. Candidates who fail to do so will be disqualified, and, if appointed, will be liable to dismassal without notice.

FARRA CONWAY, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Great Yarmouth. 1st December, 1950.

ESSEX EDUCATION COMMITTEE.
SOUTH-WLST ESSEX TECHNICAL COLLEGE
AND SCHOOL OF ART. FOREST ROAD,
Full-time LECUURER AND INSTRUCTOR IN
STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING AND DESIGN
required for one year, primarily for full-time day
and evening courses for the Graduateship and
Associate-Membership Examinations of the Institution of Structural Engineers. Previous teaching
experience not essential.
Salary: £300×£15-£555 (at present), with
addition of London (£35 or £48) and appropriate
training (up to £45) and graduation (£30) allowances according to Burnham Further Report. Up
to twelve increments may be allowed for suitable
professional and industrial experience.
Applications (no forms), giving full particulars
of training, qualifications, and experience, to
Clerk to Governors at the College, within two
weeks.

B. E. LAWRENCE,
Chief Education Officer.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL, ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT.

CLERKS OF WORK'S required to supervise the erection of Educational Buildings in various parts of County. Salary £550 p.a. inclusive and prescribed conditions. Unestablished capacity, and for a period not exceeding 2 years. Written applications, giving full details of age, experience, etc., must be sent to the County Architect, 10, Gt. George Street, Westminster, S.W.I. by 16th December (quoting H.821 A.J.). Canvassing disqualifies.

C. W. RADCLIFFE.

C. W. RADCLIFFE, Clerk of the County Council. 1376

Clerk of the County Council.

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COUNTY BOROUGH OF SMETHWICK.

BOROUGH ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S

DEPARTMENT.

Applications are invited for the following applintments at salaries in accordance with the National Scales as indicated:

(a) TWO PRINCIPAL ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS. A.P.T. VII-VIII (£635-£769).

(b) CHIEF TOWN PLANNING ASSISTANT. A.P.T. VII-VIII (£635-£769).

(c) SENIOR TOWN PLANNING ASSISTANT. A.P.T. VII-VIII (£635-£769).

(c) TWO TOWN PLANNING ASSISTANTS. A.P.T. VI (£595-£569).

A.P.T. VI (£595-£570).

Candidates should possess, in addition to the general experience of the duties applicable to the several appointments, the particular experience and qualifications specified below:—

(a) Design of houses, flats and other Municipal buildings, preference being given to Members of the Royal Institute of British Architects.

(b) and (c) Experience of survey, design and development, and Corporate Membership, by examination, of the Town Planning Institute. In the case of appointment (c) ap additional professional qualification is desirable.

(d) Preference will be given to candidates who have passed the Intermediate Examination of the Town Planning Institute.

The appointments are subject to the National Scheme of Conditions of Servire, the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, the passing by the successful candidates of medical examinations, and to termination by one month's notice on either side.

Applications, suitably endorsed, stating age, marital condition, details of education and qualifications, present and previous appointments and particulars of experience, together with copies of two revent testimonials, should be addressed to the Borough Engineer and Surveyor, The Council House, Smethwick, 40, to reach him not later than 16th December, 1950.

E. L. TWYCROSS, Town Clerk.

Council House, Smethwick. 27th November, 1950.

COUNTY OF LEICESTER.

Applications are invited for the post of DRAUGHTSMAN in the County Land Agent's Department. The salary will be in accordance with Grade A.P.T., I (£390-1.435 per annum). The post will be superannuable and subject to the Scheme of Conditions of Service of the National Joint Council, and the successful applicant will be required to pass a medical examination. Consideration will be given to applicate in a form registered disabled persons. Applicants must be capable of producing neat and accurate plans, sections and elevations, and must have a knowledge of ordnance maps. A good knowledge of building construction, surveying and levelling, and the ability to construct building plans from specifications, are also desirable. The Draughtsman will be required to draw plans from site surveys undertaken by himself, and the ownership of a car will, therefore, be an advantage.

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and the ownership of a car will, therefore, be an advantage.

Applications, stating qualifications, accompanied by two testimonials and the names of two referees, should be submitted to the County Land Agent, 7, Victoria Parade, Leicester, within 14 days of the appearance of this advertisement.

JOHN A. CHATTERTON,

Clerk of the Council.

County Offices, Grey Friars, Leicester. 1401

THE UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL.

Applications are invited for the post of SENIOR LECTURER IN ARCHITECTURAL CONSTRUCTION, in the School of Architecture, at a salary of £1,150×£50-£1,350 per annum. Applications, accompanied if possible by drawings or photographs of work, two testimonials, and the names of two referees, should be received not later than 29th January, 1951, by the undersigned, from whom further particulars of the conditions of appointment may be obtained.

STANLEY DUMBELL,

Registrar.

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CITY AND ROYAL BURGH OF EDINBURGH.

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TOWN PLANNING DEPARTMENT
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Applications are invited for the background post:

MODEL CRAFTSMAN. Salary £390-£425.
Applicants will be required to assist in the construction of Architectural and Town Planning Models for general and detailed development schemes. Applications to state age, present salary and previous employment.

J. STORRAR.

27th November, 1950.

CITY AND CGUNTY OF KINGSTON-UPON-HULL.

CITY ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT.

Applications are invited for ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS, A.P. and T., Grade V (£520-£570). The appointment will be subject to one month's notice on either side and to the National Scheme of Conditions of Service.

Application forms, obtainable from the undersigned, should be returned on or before 27th December, 1950.

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ANDREW RANKINE, A.R.I.B.A.,
City Architect. Gui!dhall, Kingston-upon-Hull. 20th November, 1950.

Guildhall, Kingston-upon-Hull.

20th November, 1950.

Tenders for Contracts

5 lines or under, 12s. 6d.: each additional line. 2s.

COUNTY OF LINCOLN—PARTS OF LINDSEY.

POLICE BUILDINGS AND COURTS.

TOWN HALL SQUARE. SCUNTHORPE.
CONTRACT NO. 2.—SUPERSTRUCTURE.
CONTRACT NO. 2.—SUPERSTRUCTURE.
Contractors desirous of tendering for the Superstructure of these Buildings, known as Contract
No. 2. should submit their names to the Architects. Messrs. C. B. Pearson & Son. F.R.L.B.A.,
18. Dalton Square. Lancaster. on or before the
30th November, 1950. The Foundations up to
Ground Level, Roads, Sewers and Site Works
have been subject to a separate Contract and are
now nearing completion.

Specifications, Bills of Quantities and Form
of Tender will be sent to Contractors desirous
of Tendering, and plans may be seen at the
offices of the Architects, the office of the Clerk
of Works on the site, or at my offices.

The acceptance of any Fender is subject to
the approval of the Home Office, and the Council
do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or
any Tender.

Sealed Tenders, endorsed "Scunthorpe Police
Buildings and Courts." must be delivered to me
not later than Saturday, the 6th January, 1951.

HERBERT COPLAND.

Clerk of the County Council.

November, 1950.

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BOROUGH OF DAGENHAM.

Tenders are invited for the erection of 24 Three-

County Offices. Lincoln.

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BOROUGH OF DAGENHAM.
Tenders are invited for the erection of 24 Threestorey Flats, in two blocks of six and one block
of twelve, at Woodlands Estate, Dagenham.
Bills of Quantities and form of Tender are
obtainable from the Borough Engineer on payment of deposit of two guineas which will be
refunded on receipt of a bona fide Tender.
Plans and General Conditions of Contract may
be inspected during normal office hours.
Sealed Tenders, in the envelope provided, which
must bear no indication of the identity of the
sender, to be delivered to the undersigned by
noon on Thursday, 21st December, 1950.
The Council do not bind themselves to accept
the lowest or any Tender.

KEITH LAUDER.

Civic Centre, Dagenham.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BURNLEY.

NEW ST. STEPHEN'S C.E. JUNIOR SCHOOL.

Tenders are invited on behalf of the Managers of the St. Stephen's C.E. Junior School for the erection of a new Junior School for 280 pupils at Woodgrove Road, Burn.ey.

Forms of Tender, together with Bills of Quantities, may be obtained on application to the Architects, Mesers. Leach, Rhoues and Walker, 15, Manchester New Road, Middleton, Lancs., on paynent of a deposit of two guineas, which will be returned on receipt of a bona fide Tender and the return of all Documents.

Tender Documents will be dispatched on about 30th November, and should be returned to the Town Clerk, Burnley, in the envelope provided not later than noon on Monday, 18th December.

Drawings and Conditions of Contract may be inspected during normal office hours either at the Office of the Architects or at the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Office, Burnley.

C. V. THORNLEY,

Town Clerk.

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Partnership

6 lines or under, 12s. 6d.; each additional line, 2s.

PRACTISING ARCHITECT, F.R.I.B.A., with pleasant office at excellent London, W.C., address at moderate cost, seeks colleague who has work on hand, to share the accommodation, and who would like to work in association with a view to Partnership. If accommodation not required advertiser would still be interested in partnership. Box 1270

YOUNG progressive SURVEYOR, West End office, wishes to contact young Architect in private practice with a view to combine Partnership. Box 1409.

Architectural Appointments Vacant

4 lines or under. 78. 6d.; each additional line. 2s PEQUIRED immediately ARCHITECT'S ASSISTANT, for General Private Practice. Minimum standard, Intermediate R. I.B.A. Applicants are requested to apply in writing, stating age, experience, and salary required, to Granville F. Siegerts, 1, Electric Parade, Seven Kings, Ilford, Essex.

Kings, Hlord. Essex. 1227

TWO ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS, with Industrial and Housing experience, required, of Intermediate standard, in North-West London. Salaries according to age and experience. National Scales are offered to suitable applicants. Apply Sydney Greenwood, A.R.I.B.A., 33, Bunns Lane, N.W.T. 1230

SENIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS required. Interesting and varied work. Five-day week. Apply, stating age, experience, and salary required, to Farmer and Dark, Chartered Architects, Terminal House, Grosvenor Gardens, London, S.W.I. 1318

QUALIFIED ASSISTANTS required for Large Commercial Concern. Applicants should be about 35 years old, experienced in good class building, used to writing specifications and handling contracts for new buildings, also maintenance work. Permanency and allowance following retirement offered to suitable men, who should write stating age and full details, to Box 1319.

RARCHITECTURAL ASSISRONALD WARD & PARTNERS require two
ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT required for busy Provincial and
Country practice. Good all round practical knowledge ess:nital. Salary £550 upwards, according
to ability. F. J. Lenton & Partners,
F./A.R.I.B.A., 16, Broad Street, Stamford. 1297

RONALD WARD & PARTNERS require two
ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS (Intermediate standard). Apply 17. Lowndes Street,
S.W.I. Telephone: Sloane £291.

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CCHERRER & HICKS, FF.R.I.B.A., of 19,
Ca endish Square, W.1. require TWO
ASSISTANTS, of Intermediate standard, in
January, 1951. Salary by arrangement. Museum
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EXPERIENCED ASSISTANT ARCHITECT required in small Lyndon office, able to take charge of Contracts, Housing, and other work. Particulars to Box 1354.

A RCHITECTURAL DRAUGHTSMEN, up to Inter. R.I.B.A. standard, required. London area. Write, stating experience and salary, to Box 1364.

Box 1364.

A RCHITECTURAL DRAUGHTSMAN required for detailing Masonry and Precast Concrete Units. Write, stating full particulars of experience, age, salary required to Girlings Ferro-Concrete Co., Ltd., Rothwell, near Leeds.

A RCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT for immediate engagement in London office of important industrial company. Must be neat Draughtsman, with ability in perspectives. Knowledge of building construction, specifications and surveys. Ago 25 35. Pensionable appointment for successful applicant. Write, stating age, experience, salary and date when free. Box 13%.

A RCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT required, Intermediate R.I.B.A. qualification, and 3 years' minimum office experience. 5-day week. Reply. with full particulars, to F. A. W. Roffey, F.R.I.B.A., F.R.I.C.S., 1, Puteey Hill, Londen, S.W.15.

RCHITECTURAL DRAUGHTSMAN ARCHITECTURAL DRAUGHTSMAN required for Architect's Department of large
Iron and Steel Works. Applicants should be aged
22-35 years, should be capable of preparing working drawings with a minimum supervision, sound
kn\_wledge of modern construction and building
services essential. Some experience of Industrial
work preferred. Apply the Labour Manager,
Appleby-Frodingham Steel Co., Branch of The
United Steel Companies, Scunthorpe, Lines. 1391

A RCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT wanted, about Intermediate R.I.B.A. Country practice, effering varied experience and advancement. F. C. Levitt, L.R.I.B.A., Biggleswade, Reda. 1390

ATROBI.—Experienced DRAUGHTSMAN, initial salary 2450 p.a., single man, income tax at low local rates, passage money refunded, return fare or £100 bonus after 3 years' satisfactory service. Full particulars to Overseas Architects Service, 5, Weiden Crescent, Harrow.

COMPETENT SENIOR ASSISTANT required to take charge of Drawing Office in Victoria Street, Westminster. Must have experience of design from sketch plan stage to complete working drawings, and able to organise staff efficiently. Good opportunity and progressive position offered to person with suitable qualifications. Salary effered £700-£850 p.a. 5-day week. Reply Box 1388.

CAPABLE salaried JUNIOR PARTNER or CHIEF ASSISTANT required in established Architectural practice. State particulars of salary and experience to Box 1406.

A RCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT required. Intermediate B.I.B.A. standard. Industrial and general work. Write, stating age, experi-ence, qualifications and sa ary required. Apply Cotten. Ballard & Blow, Architects and Surveyors, Norham Road, North Shields. 1405

REQUIRED immediately experienced ARCHI-TECTURAL ASSISTANTS. High salary, according to ability. Five-day week. Knowledge of Industrial work an advantage. Apply Ley, Colbeck & Partners, Fr.R.I.B.A., 51, Bishopsgate, E.C.2. Telephone: London Wall 2917. 1403

A RCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT required immediately. Varied and interesting work. Salary according to experience and qualifications. Apply by letter, with all particulars, to Robert C. Carvell, L.R.I.B.A., 3a, Charlotte Street, Perth.

EXPERIENCED SENIOR ARCHITECT'S ASSISTANT required by large multiple firm. Very busy office in Birmingham. Good prospects for live and capable man. State age, experience and salary. Box 1407.

THE REAL PROPERTY.

#### Architectural Appointments Wanted

POST with prospects sought by young ARCHI-The True the imagination and interest in con-temporary design. A.R.I.B.A., L.S.I.A. 5 years' experience housing. exhibition work, display design. Can handle complete contracts. Box 43.

A. R.I.B.A., with 12 years' extensive office ex-operion.e., requires responsible and progres-sive position, preferably South West or West of England.—Box 44.

#### Other Appointments Vacant

4 lines or under, 7s. 6d.; each additional line, 2s.

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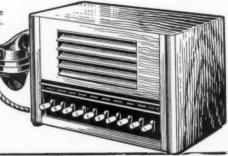
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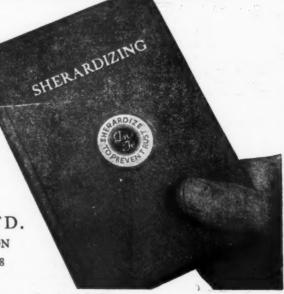
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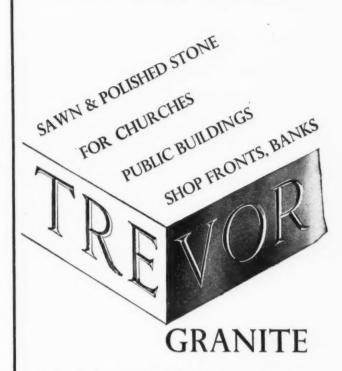




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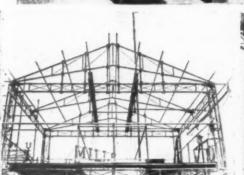
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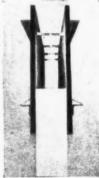




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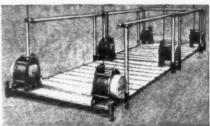
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