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| AA        | Architectural Association, 34/6, Bedford Square, W.C.1.   | Museum 0974              |
| AAI       | Association of Art Institutions. Secy.: W. Marlborough Whitehead, "Dyneley," Castle Hill Avenue, Berkhamstead, Herts. |                          |
| ABS       | Architects' Benevolent Society, 66, Portland Place, W.1.  | Langham 5721             |
| ABT       | Association of Building Technicians, 5, Ashley Place, S.W.1.  | Victoria 0447-8          |
| ACGB      | Arts Council of Great Britain, 4, St. James' Square, S.W.1.   | Whitehall 9737           |
| ADA       | Aluminium Development Association, 33, Grosvenor Street, W.1.   | Mayfair 7501/8           |
| APRR      | Association for Planning and Regional Reconstruction, 34, Gordon Square, W.C.1.                                       | Euston 2158-9            |
| ArchSA    | Architectural Students' Association, 34/36, Bedford Square, W.C.1.  |                          |
| ARCUK     | Architects' Registration Council, 68, Portland Place, W.1.  | Langham 8738             |
| AScW      | Association of Scientific Workers, 15, Half Moon Street, Piccadilly, W.1.   | Grosvenor 4761           |
| BAE       | Board of Architectural Education, 66, Portland Place, W.1.  | Langham 5721             |
| BATC      | Building Apprenticeship and Training Council, Lambeth Bridge House, S.E.1.  | Reliance 7611, Ext. 1706 |
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| BCCF      | British Cast Concrete Federation, 17, Amherst Road, Ealing, W.13.   | Perivale 6869            |
| BCIRA     | British Cast Iron Research Association, Alvechurch, Birmingham.   | Redditch 716             |
| BDA       | British Door Association, 10, The Boltons, S.W.10.  | Flaxman 7766             |
| BEDA      | British Electrical Development Association, 2, Savoy Hill, W.C.2.   | Temple Bar 9434          |
| BIA       | British Ironfounders' Association, 145, Vincent Street, Glasgow, C.2.   | Glasgow Central 2891     |
| BIAE      | British Institute of Adult Education, 29, Tavistock Square, W.C.1.  | Euston 5385              |
| BID       | Building Industries Distributors, 52, High Holborn, W.C.1.  | Chancery 7772            |
| BINC      | Building Industries National Council, 11, Weymouth Street, W.1.   | Langham 2785             |
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| BRS       | Building Research Station, Bucknalls Lane, Watford.   | Garston 2246             |
| BSA       | Building Societies Association, 14, Park Street, W.1.   | Mayfair 0515             |
| BSI       | British Standards Institution, 28, Victoria Street, S.W.1.  | Abbey 3333               |
| BTE       | Building Trades Exhibition, 4, Vernon Place, W.C.1.   | Holborn 8146/7           |
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| CAS       | County Architects Society, C/o F. R. Steele, F.R.I.B.A., County Hall, Chichester.                                     | Chichester 3001          |
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| CCP       | Council for Codes of Practice, Lambeth Bridge House, S.E.1.   | Reliance 7611            |
| CDA       | Copper Development Association, Kendals Hall, Radlett, Herts.   | Radlett 5616             |
| CIAM      | Congrès Internationaux d'Architecture Moderne, Dolderal, 7, Zurich, Switzerland.                                      |                          |
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| CPRE      | Council for the Preservation of Rural England, 4, Hobart Place, S.W. Sloane 4280                                      |                          |
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| CVE       | Council for Visual Education, 13, Suffolk Street, Haymarket, S.W.1.   | Reading 72255            |
| DGW       | Directorate General of Works, Ministry of Works, Lambeth Bridge House, S.E.1.   | Reliance 7611            |
| DIA       | Design and Industries Association, 13, Suffolk Street, S.W.1.   | Whitehall 0540           |
| DPT       | Department of Overseas Trade, 35, Old Queen Street, S.W.1.  | Victoria 9040            |
| EJMA      | English Joinery Manufacturers' Association (Incorporated), Sackville House, 40, Piccadilly, W.1.                      | Regent 4448              |
| EPNS      | English Place-Name Society, 7, Selwyn Gardens, Cambridge.   |                          |
| FAS       | Faculty of Architects and Surveyors, 8, Buckingham Palace Gdns, S.W.1.  | Sloane 2837              |
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| FBI       | Federation of British Industries, 21, Tothill Street, S.W.1.  | Whitehall 6711           |
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| FCMI      | Federation of Coated Macadam Industries, 37, Chester Square, S.W.1.   | Sloane 1002              |
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| FMB       | Federation of Master Builders, 26, Great Ormond Street, Holborn, W.C.1.   | Chancery 7583            |
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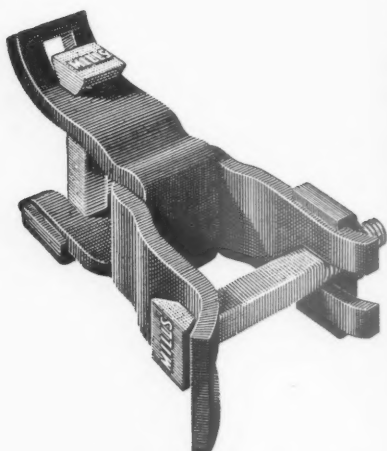
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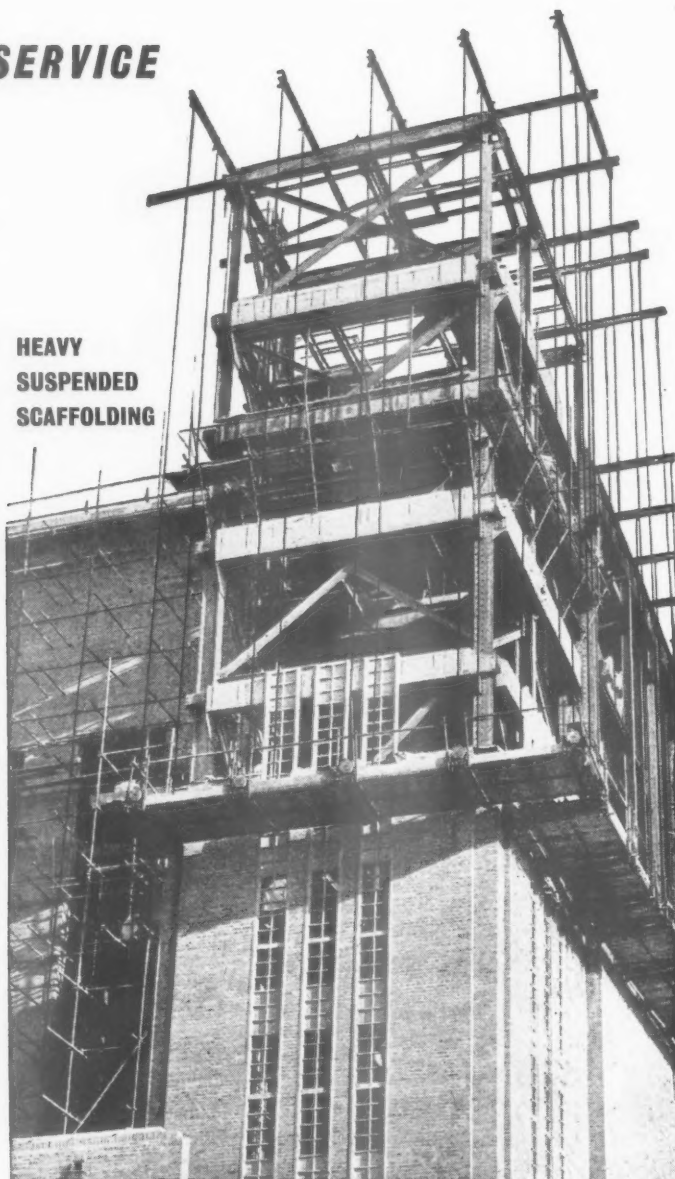
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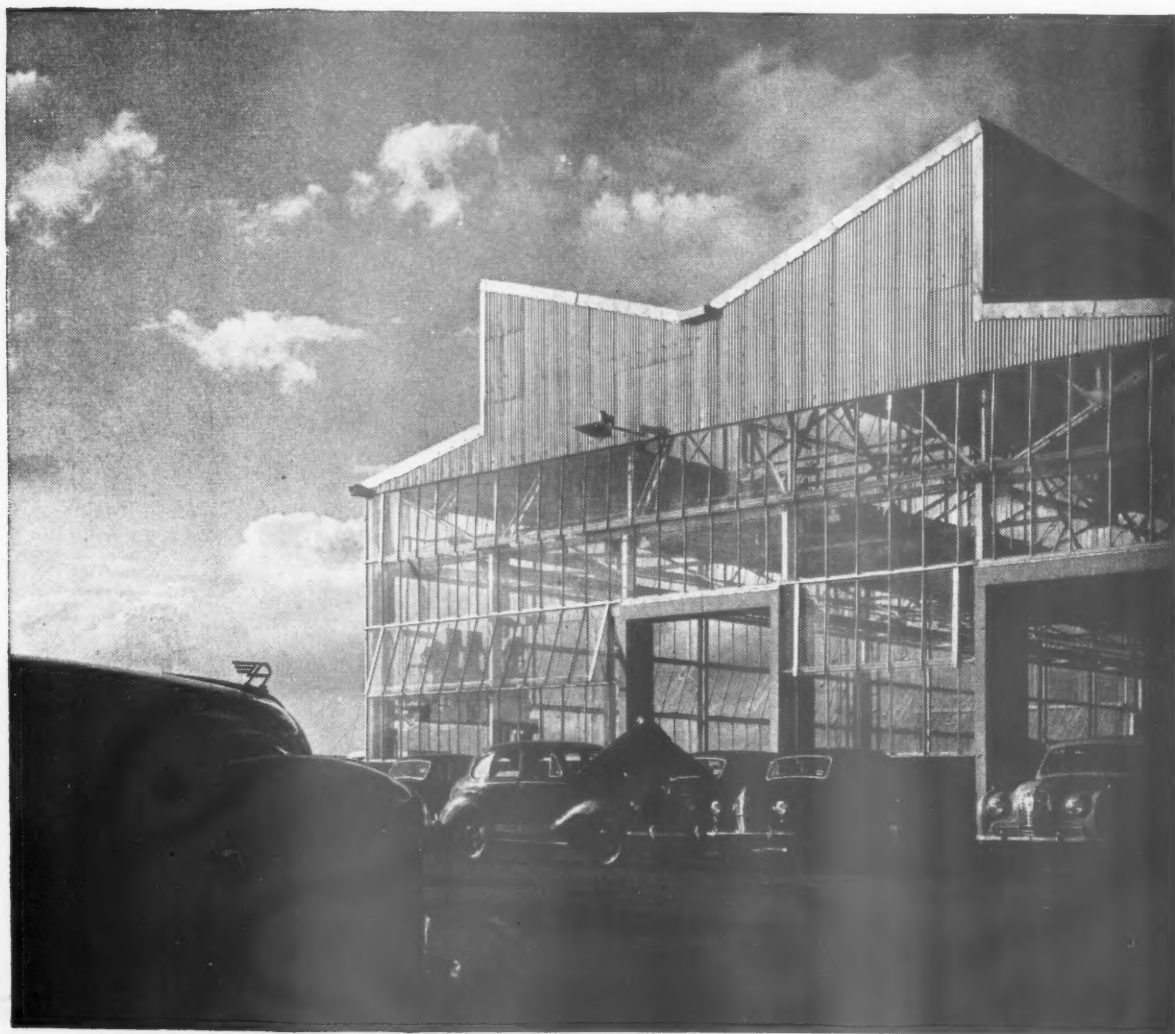
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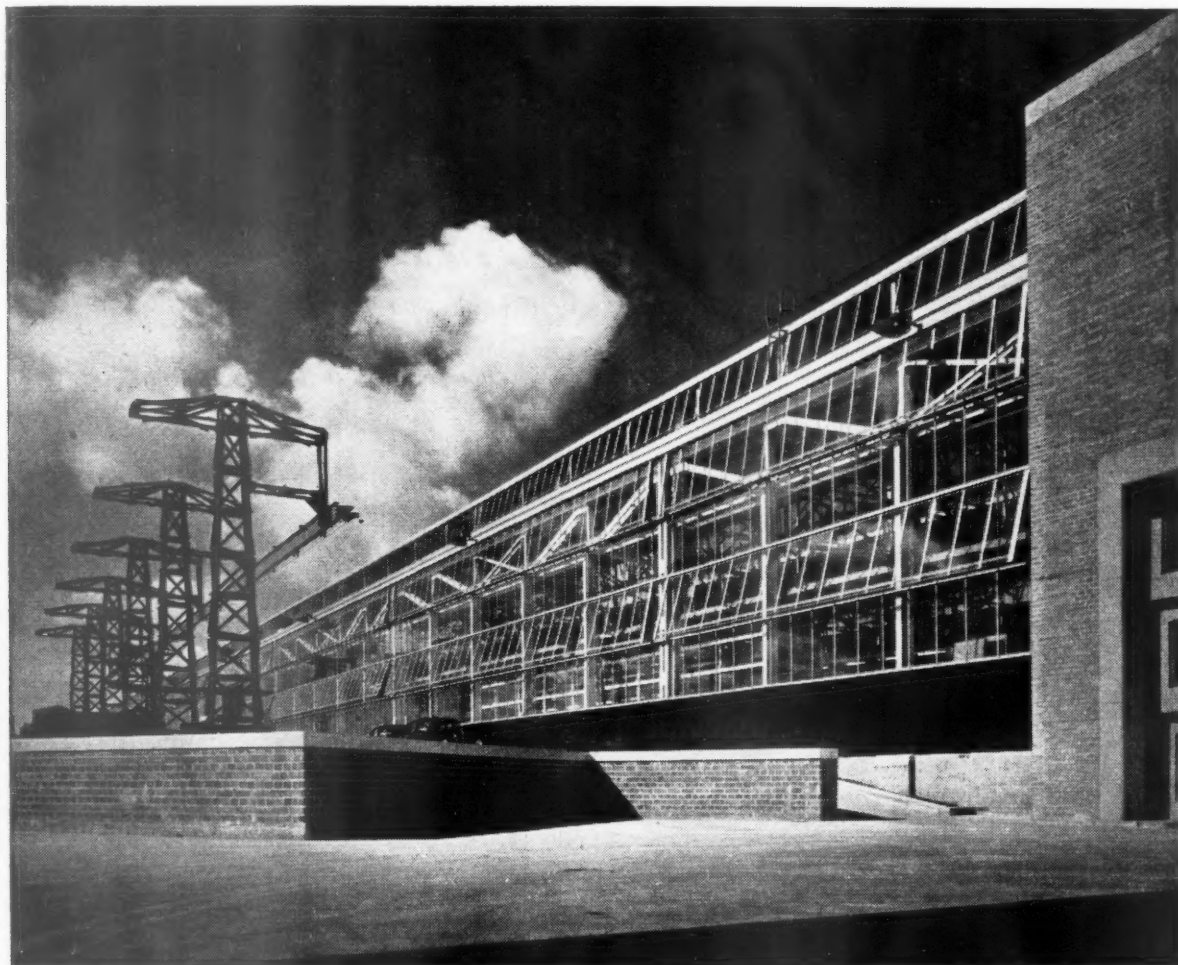


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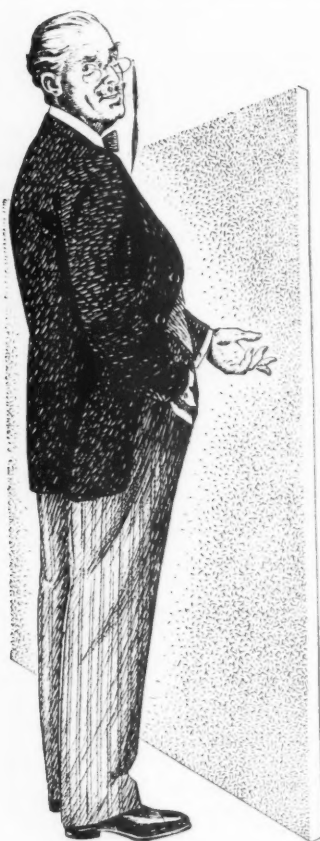
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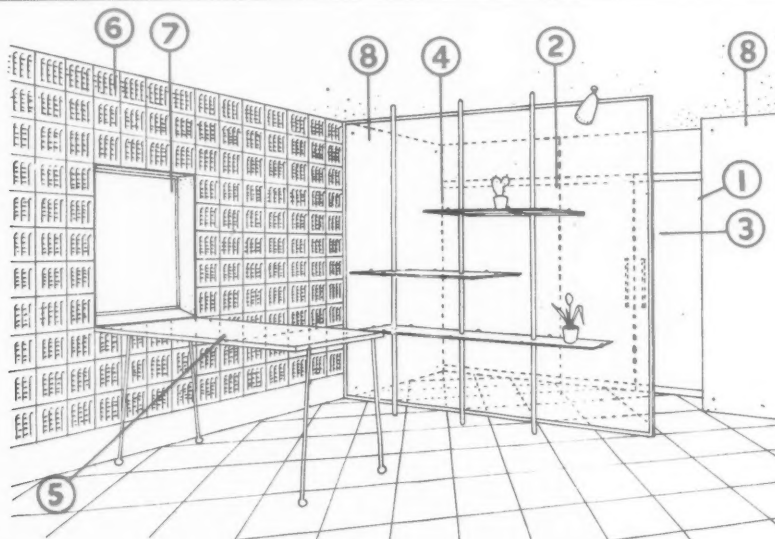
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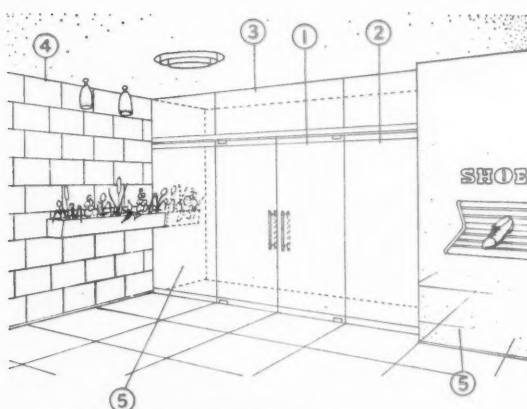
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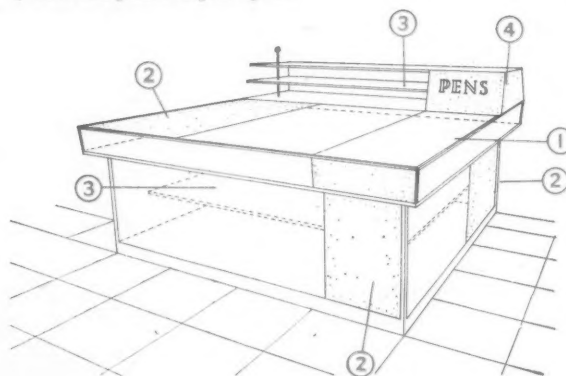
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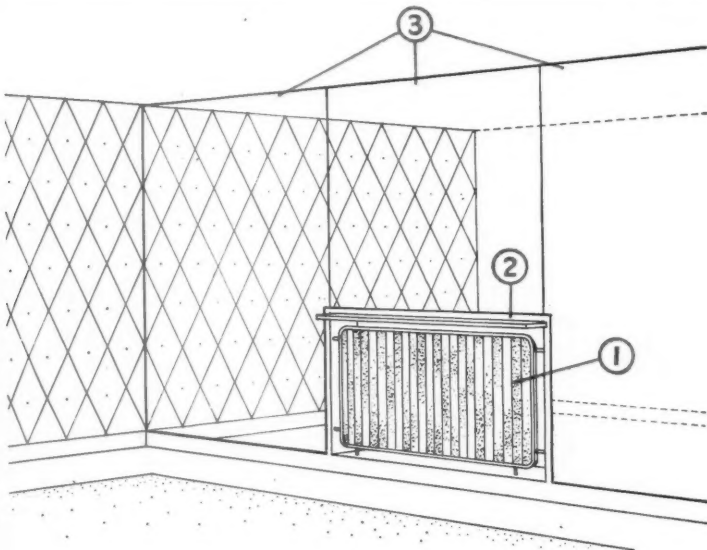
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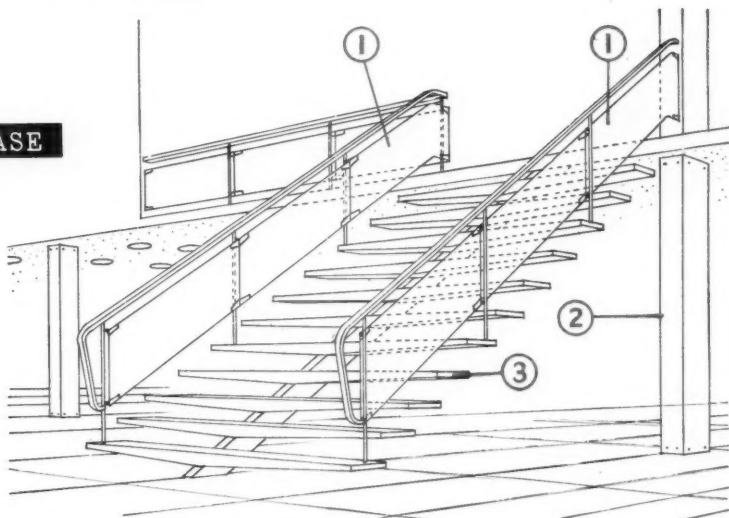


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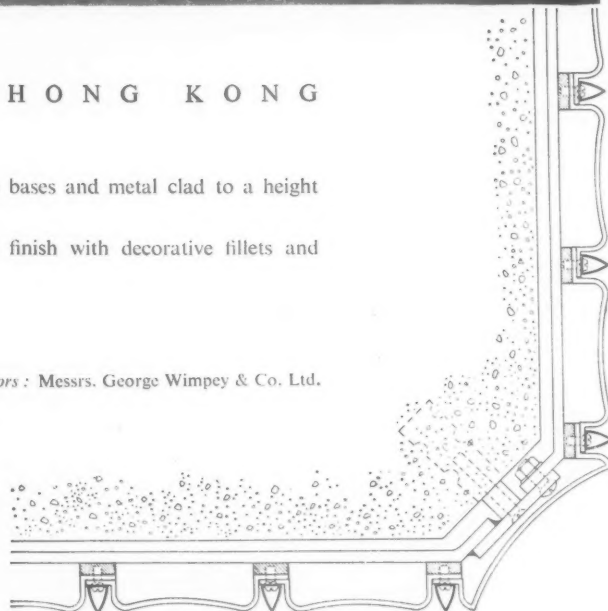


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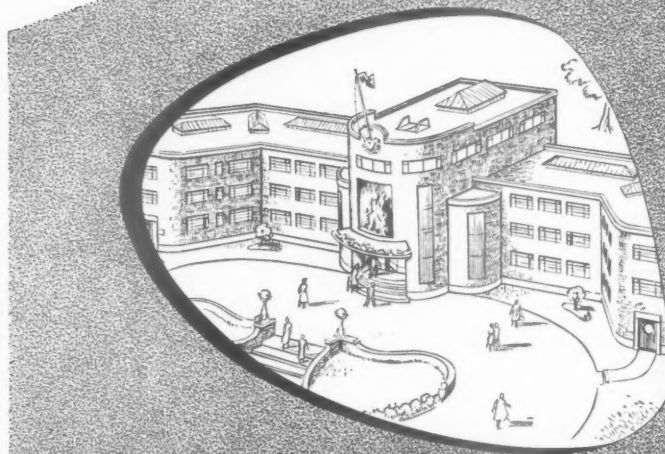
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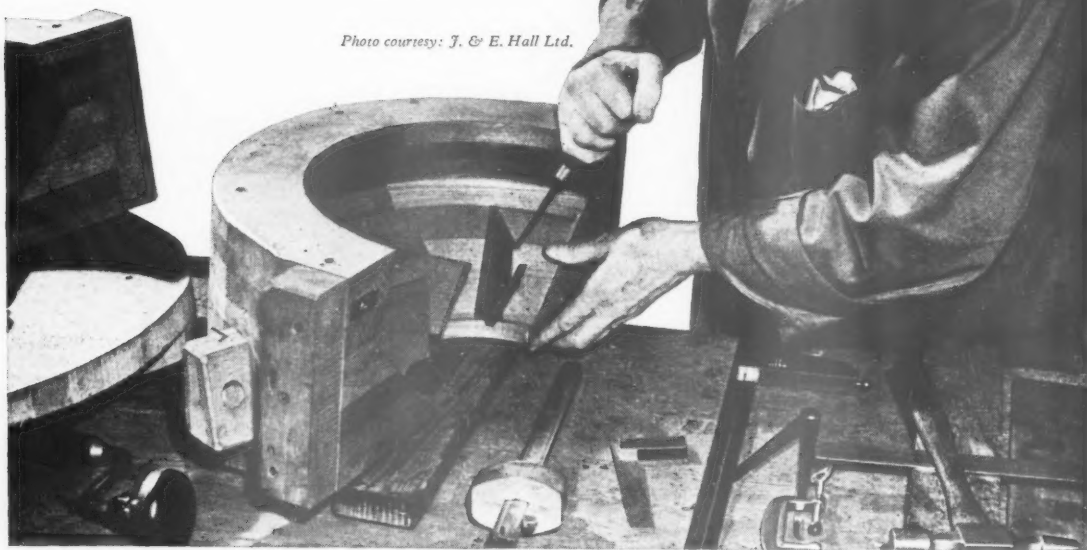


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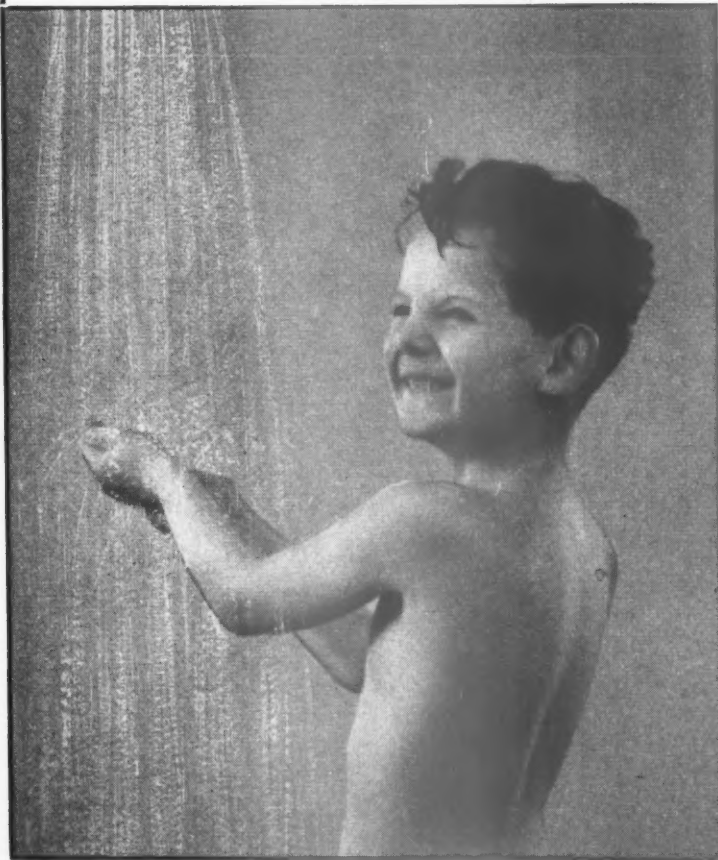
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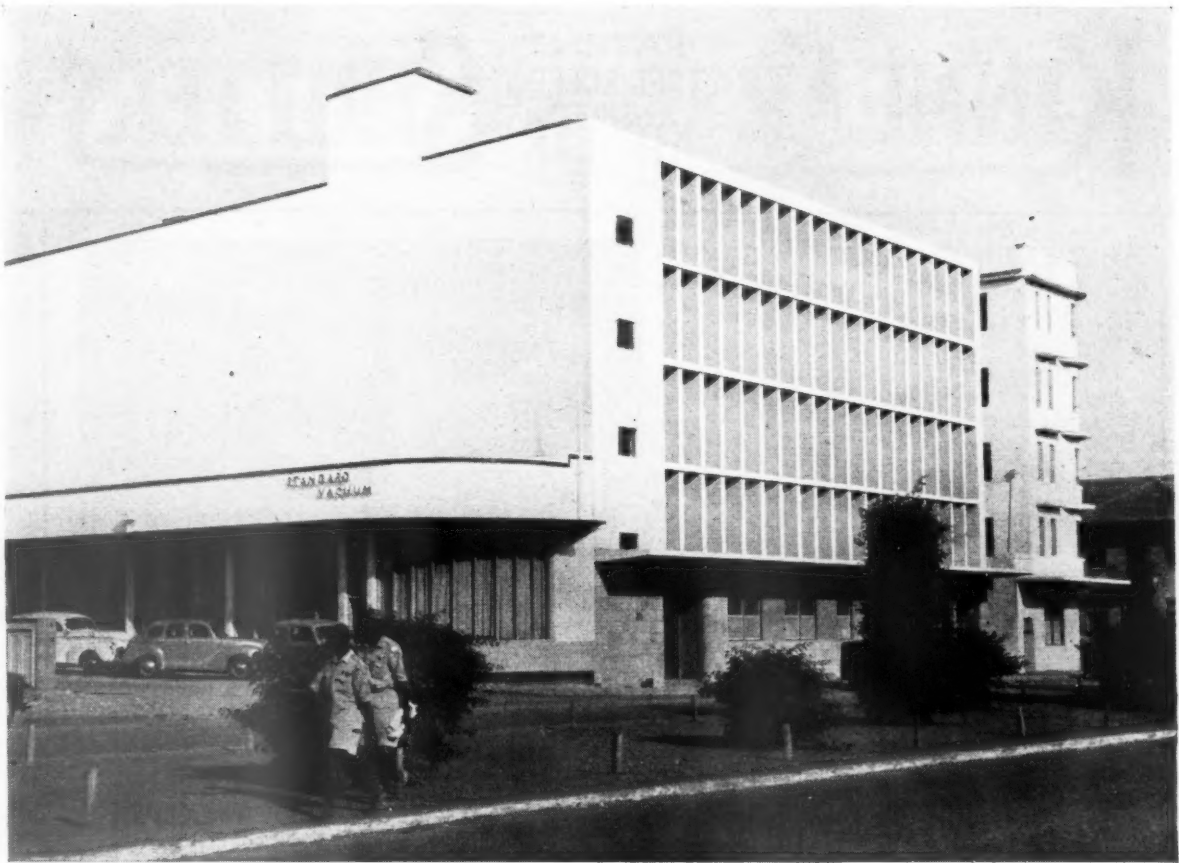
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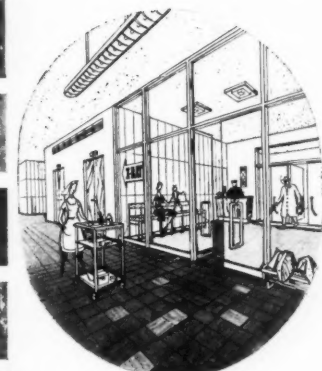


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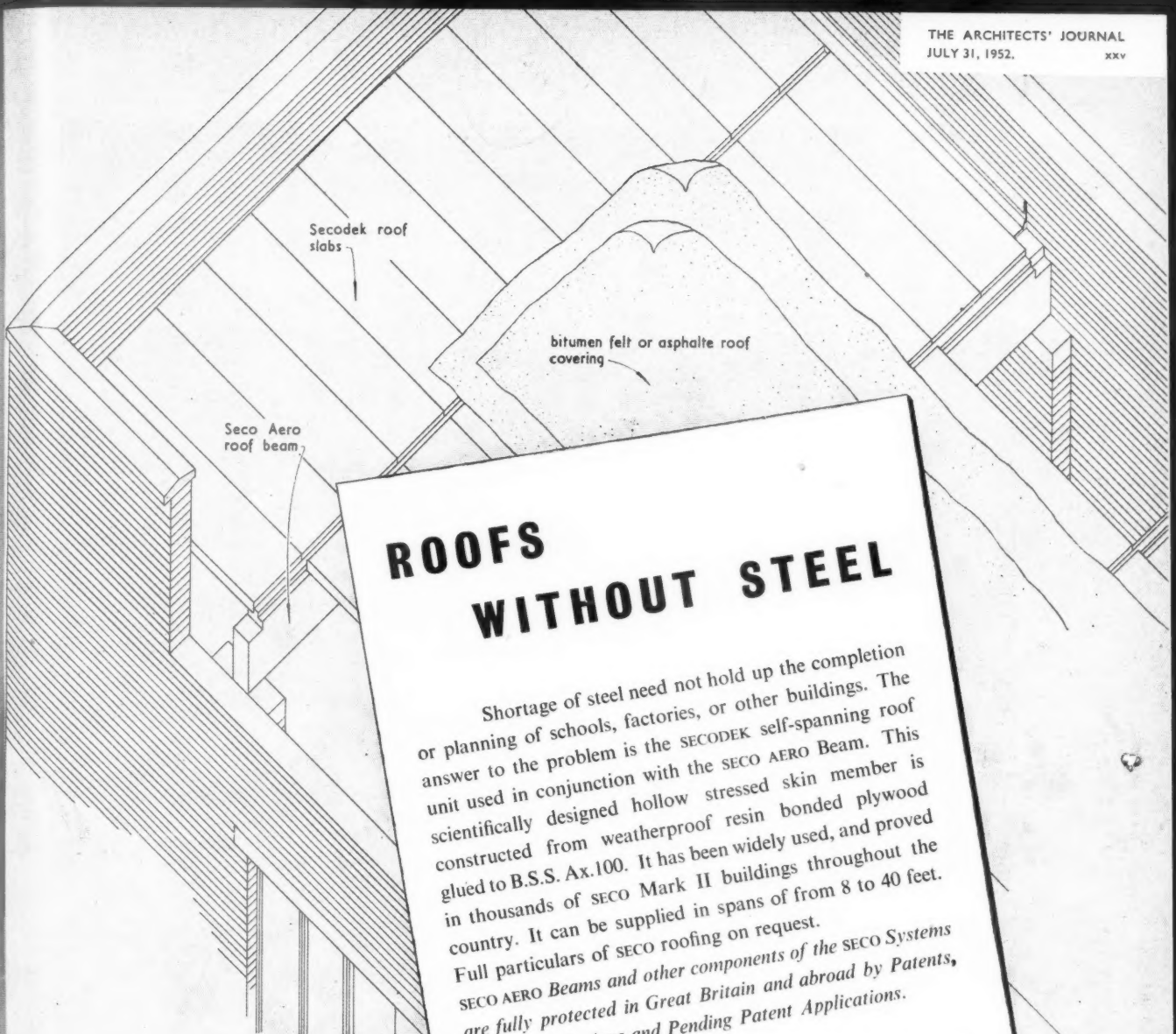
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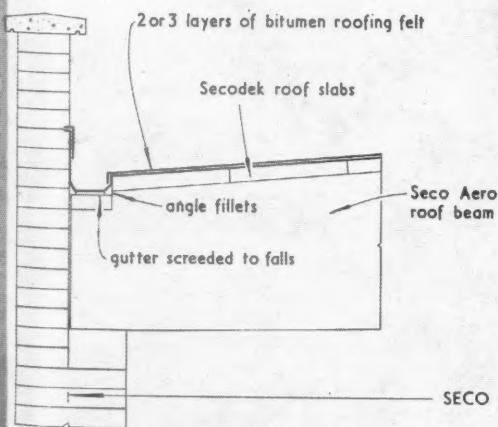
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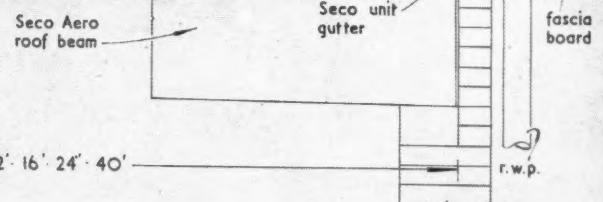
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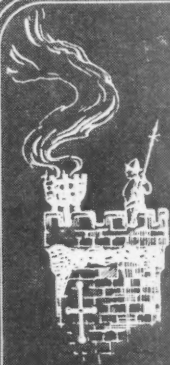


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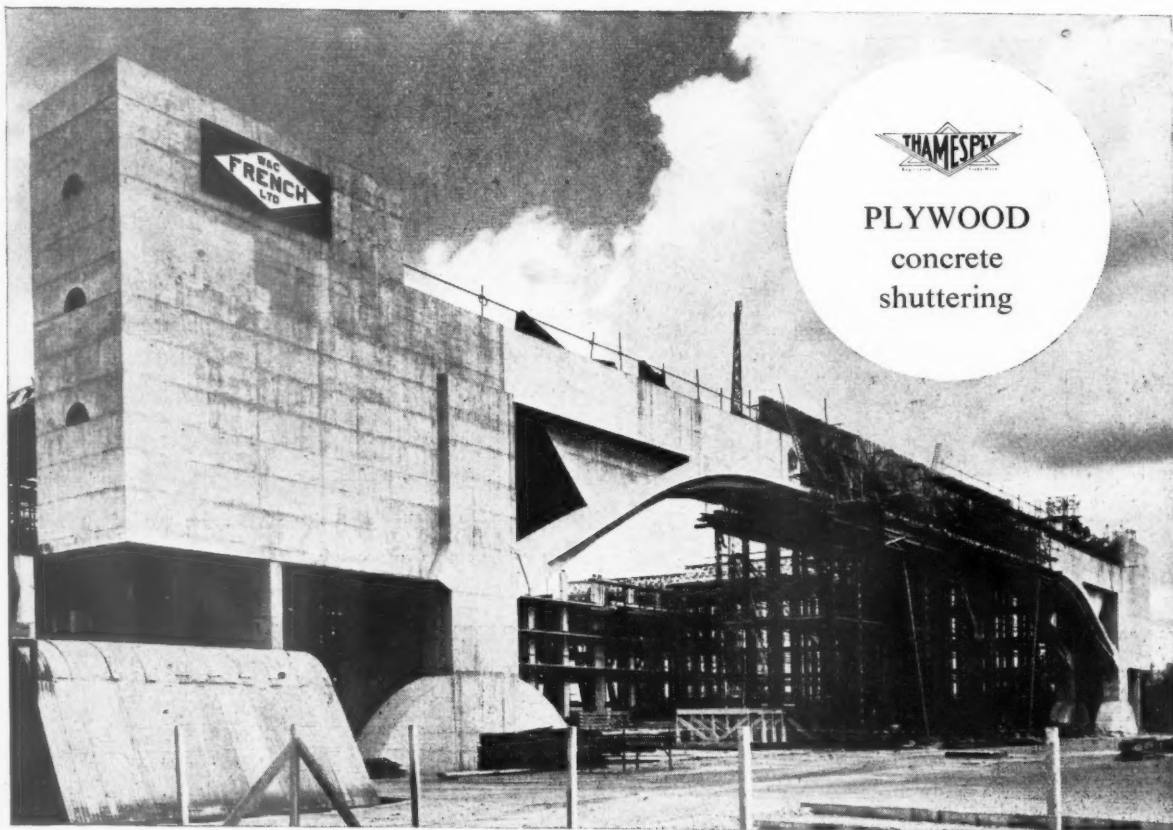
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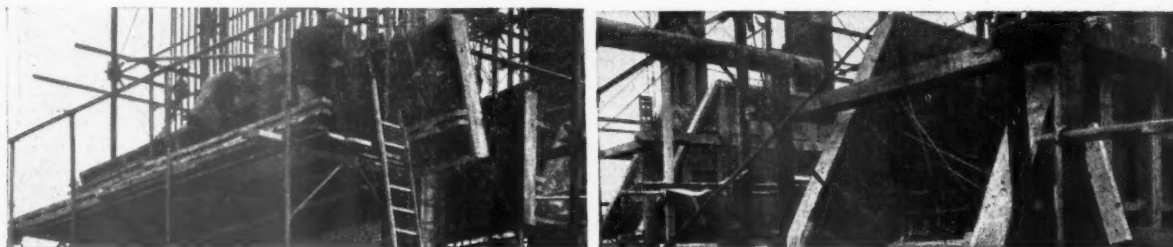
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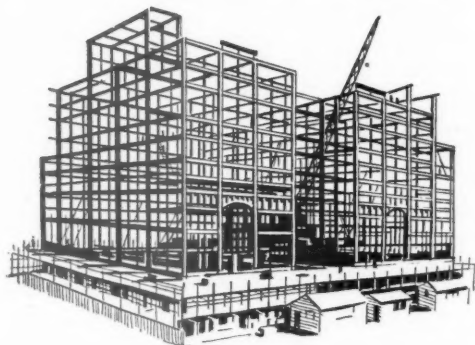
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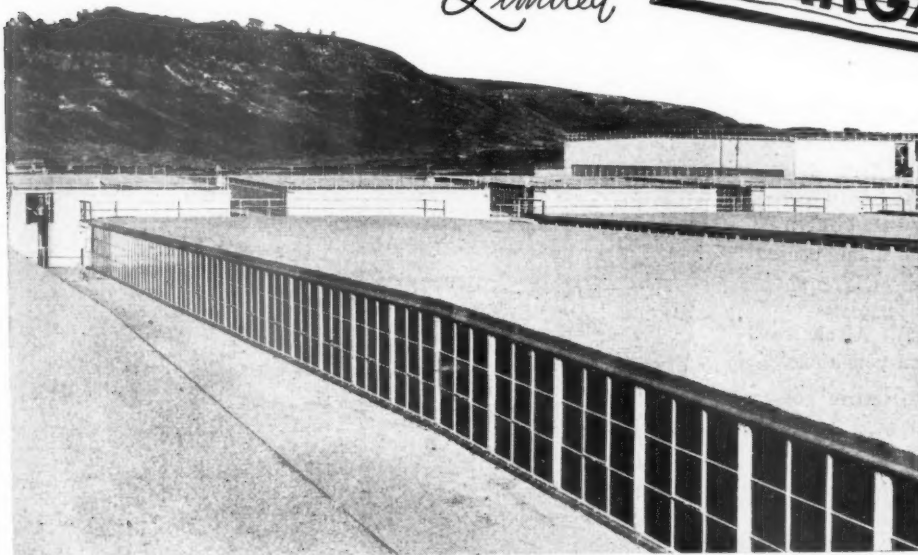




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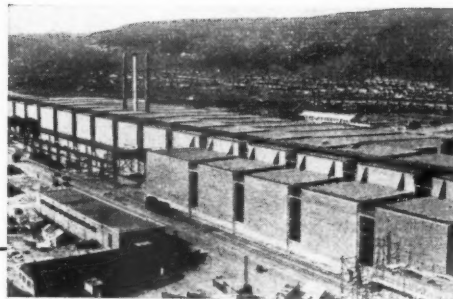
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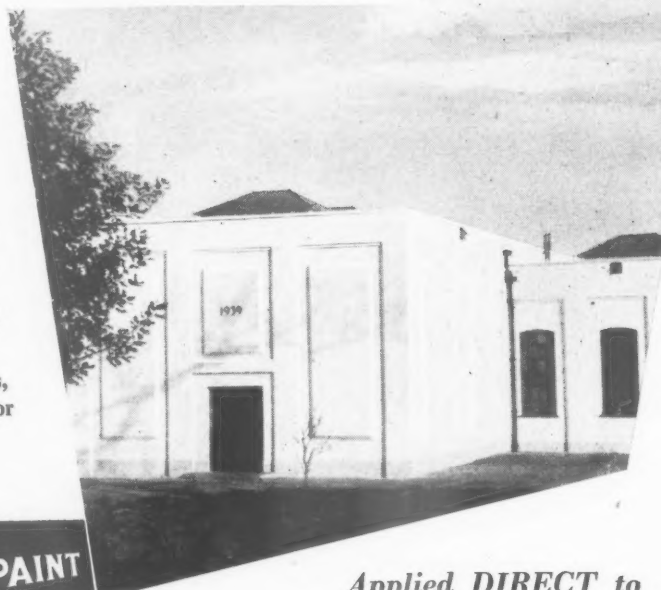
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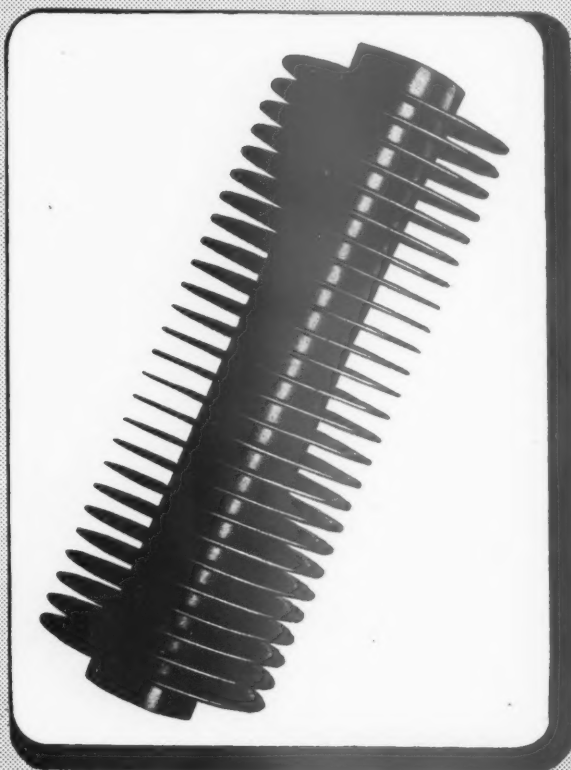
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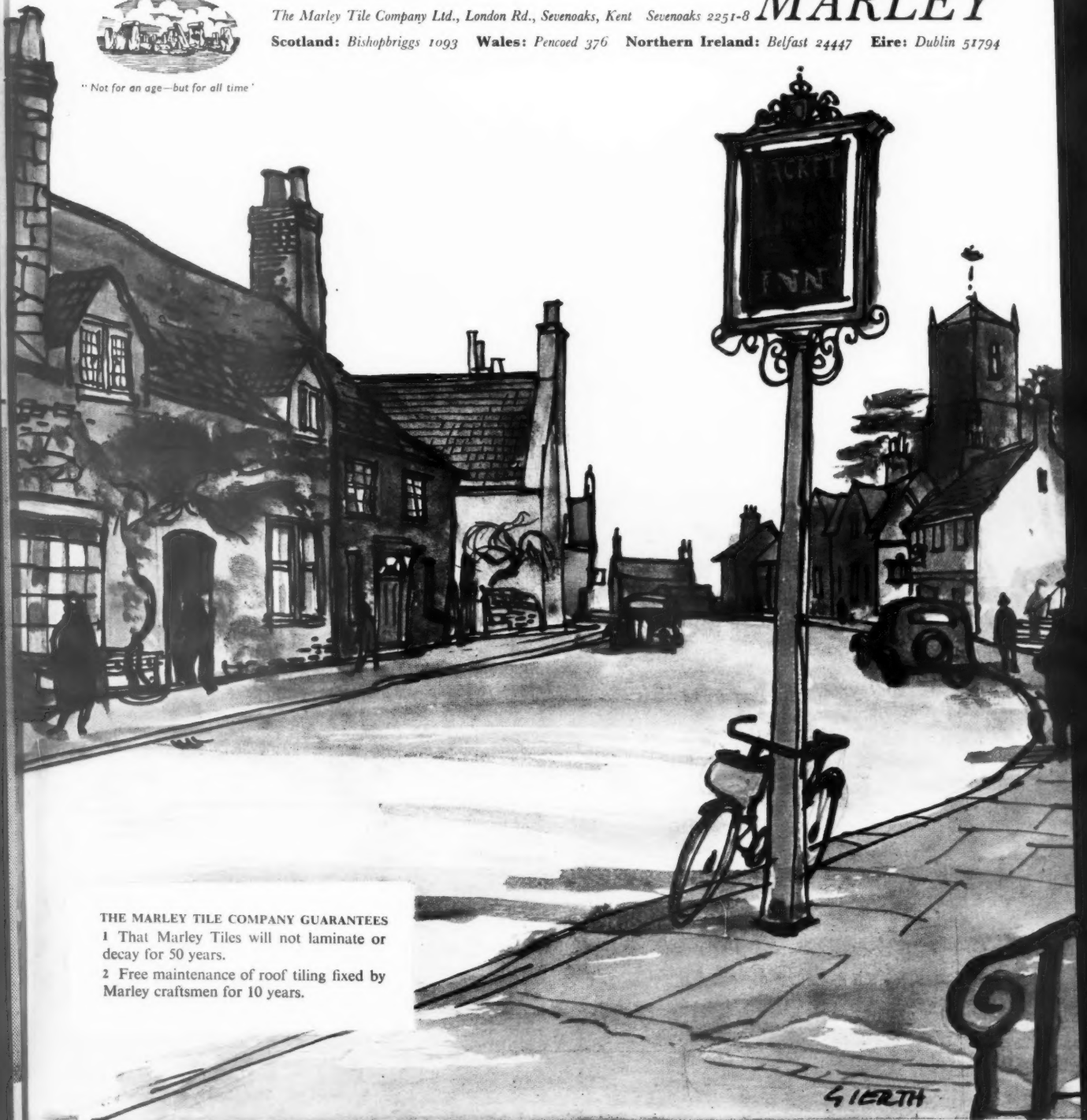
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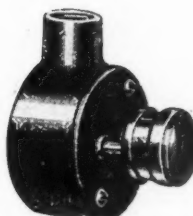
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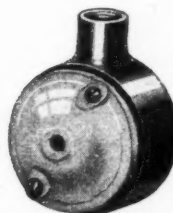
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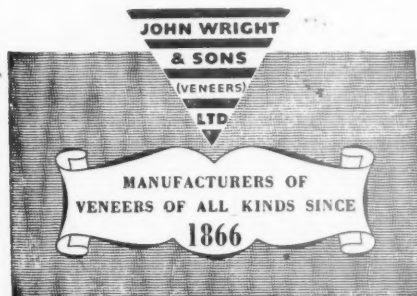
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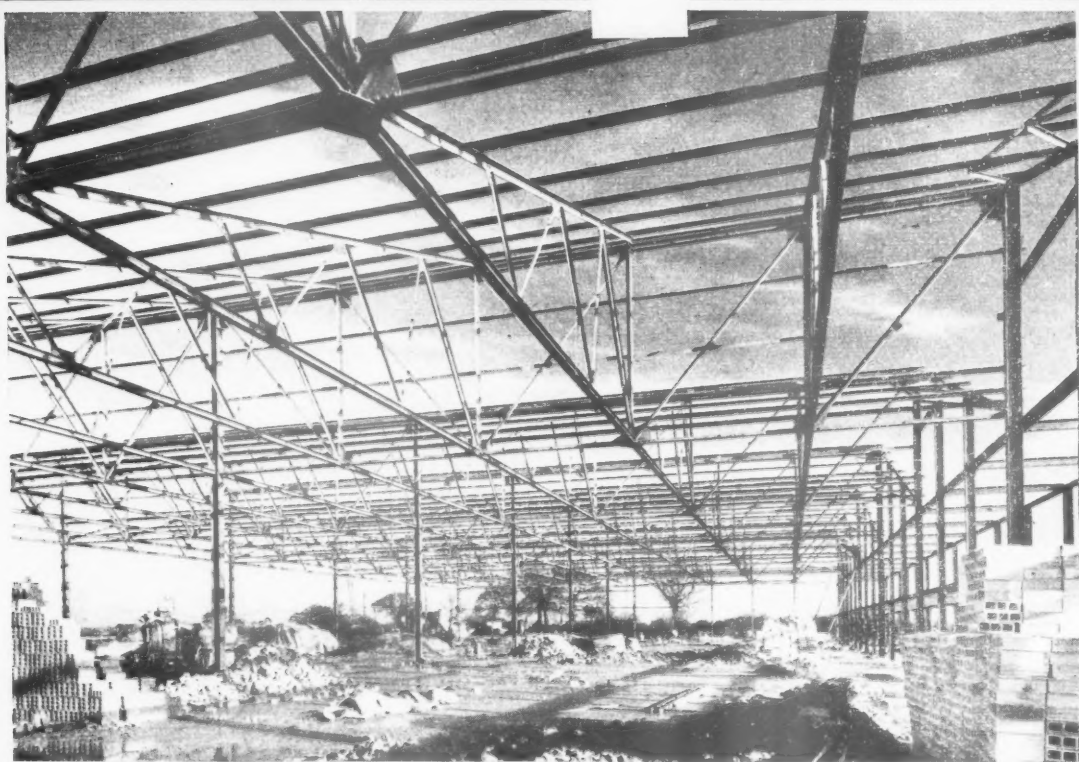
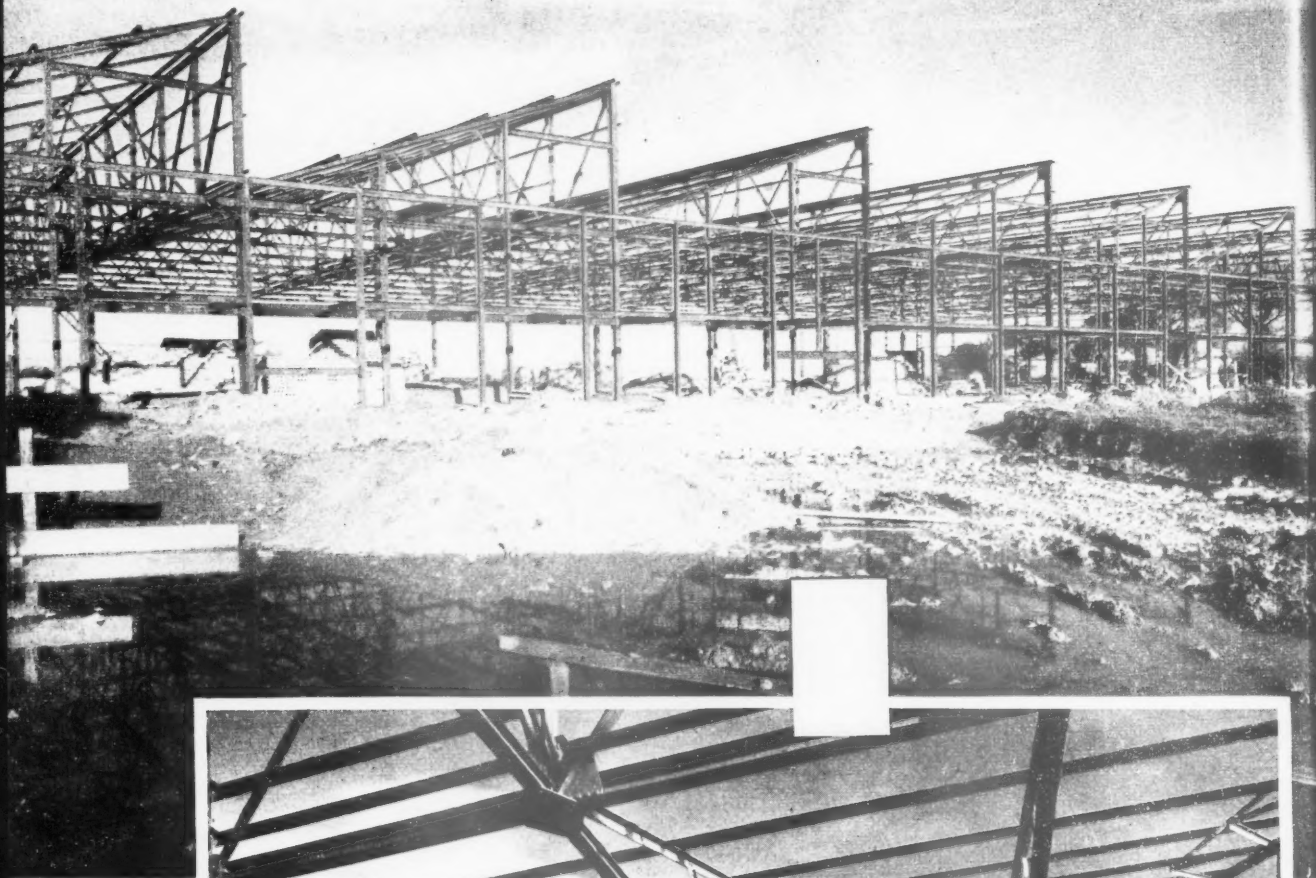
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## THE SILLY SEASON

Once again the beginning of the Silly Season is upon us. Harassed leader writers try desperately to fill in the space between "At this time of the year . . ." and "a cause which cannot but stir the hearts of every man, woman and child." Nothing happens, and it looks as though nothing ever will happen again. The schools break up and conferences assemble. The trade union delegate rounds off his year's work with his annual conference and then goes away to recuperate. But reports of the recent annual conference of the Amalgamated Union of Building Trade Workers suggest that some of the delegates got out in the sun a little too soon.

The building trade today is one of the protected and pampered industries. But at their conference this year the delegates of their union condemned the Government's housing policy, protested at any increase in the allocation of licences for private building, voted—by 36 to 6—against incentive schemes and demanded a doubling of the cost-of-living bonus rate for every three-point rise in the index of retail prices. (I had something to say about the industry pricing itself out of business last week.) On top of that some delegates wholeheartedly condemned any attempt by the public to do without builders' services. I'm glad to say that someone—a Mr. Whatmough, of Manchester—said that sort of idea must be knocked on the head. What, one wonders, would the building trade workers say if barbers demanded the prohibition of the private sale and use of razors, on the ground that it enabled the individual to dispense with the services of the trade monopolist?

## IT'S EASY REALLY

Incidentally, ASTRAGAL has been attacked for referring in a note on "self-help" to paper-hanging with a remote respectfulness which an architect might have kept for shark fishing. The candid friend (one among many) assures me that anyone can hang wall-paper properly provided he has a 6-foot table or trestle, a wife or other devoted help-mate, and follows the six or seven tips in any Household Handyman guide. It's quicker than distemping on straight runs.

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He should also take a tip which is not in the guides. The local firm of decorators will trim the edges off by

machine for about 3d. a piece. It's well worth it—in T-square shavings alone.

## MORE ANNIVERSARIES

Determined as ASTRAGAL was to remember Inigo Jones tercentenary he nearly overlooked two other important architectural anniversaries. The first is of John Nash's birth (1752). This may take you by surprise, as it did me. One had not realized how middle-aged Nash was when he hooked his royal client. Will John Summersen tell us, one day, more about the hooking of Prinny on the Nash line? In the history of job getting there are few episodes so intriguing as the precise relationship of Pennethorne to the House of Hanover.

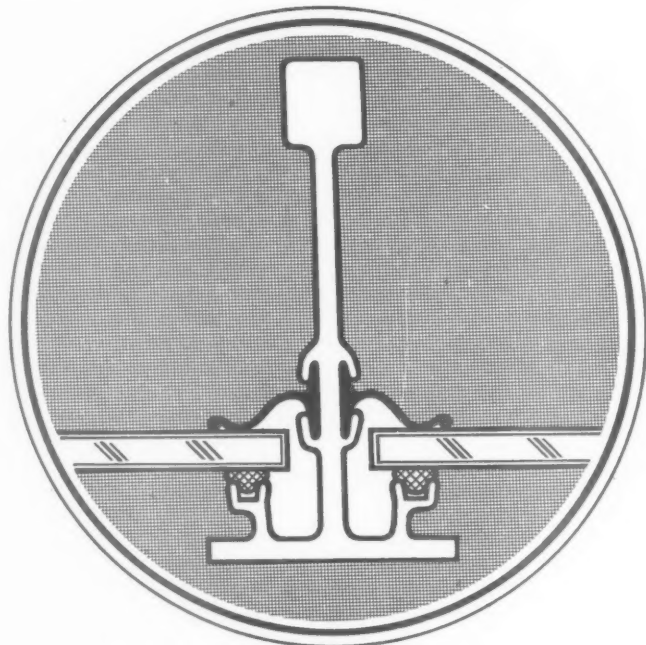
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Another centenary to be remembered (in September) is that of Augustus Welby Pugin (died 1852). If he could return to earth Pugin, with his inquisitive mind, would find much to interest him. It would, no doubt, take a few weeks for him to recover from the general horror of the scene; then he would feel some chagrin that his influence had in the end been most profound in the neo-Gothic of the Anglican Church, something worse than chagrin in the fact that the Catholic cathedral in Liverpool is to be in neo-Baroque, and then considerable delight at the progress and power of his faith in the USA. He sought no credit and no rewards, but, on the other hand, he had no doubts about his own powers; he would think it right and proper that his centenary should be celebrated. I hope it will be.

## TIME FOR GOOD BYE LAWS

Architects are often made the scapegoats of the housing problem, yet, goodness knows, they do try hard,

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sometimes, to be at least rational. Do the local authorities try as hard? The other day ASTRAGAL heard of the case of a private house proposed for Leicester which makes him doubt it.

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The architects, who shall be nameless, applied to the authorities for the building bye-laws—only to be told they were under revision, and unobtainable. On submitting plans they were told that they did not conform to these same bye-laws, but, since the new ones might not be ready for two years, no waivers could be granted. Yet these same bye-laws are so out of date (it is rumoured they are the most antique specimens in the country) that one local architect never builds anything within their jurisdiction! Not only do they require all external walls to contain at least nine inches of solid brickwork (none of these new-fangled inner skins recommended by that subversive set-up at Garston); they also require all pipes to adorn these same walls externally. (No doubt they look charming draped with icicles in winter.) A further requirement is a nine-inch eaves all round. ("I'm sorry, Lord Burlington, we can make no exceptions for you and your friends; it might make a precedent!")

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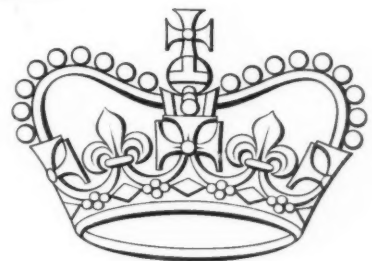
There are a score or more of such archaisms. Obviously, such bye-laws were designed to deal with mid-19th century slum conditions—with earth closets and earthenware pipes. One wonders if local authorities who still have these bye-laws apply them to their own housing. If they do, does the Exchequer subsidise their inefficiency? Does the Minister have no power to override them? What is the use of housing manuals, Building Research Station bulletins or Ministry circulars if they are ignored?

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One can be certain Leicester is not unique, and in spite of some improvements in the last decade—it often takes a war to achieve such things—many authorities have building legislation so antiquated as to prohibit cheap and efficient building. ASTRAGAL sympathises on one point. It only requires a clerk to interpret these cut and dried codes; it would require a trained and intelligent person to interpret broader, more progressive forms of building law, and that would cost money. But whether it would cost more money than



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is involved in present waste is a matter for speculation.

#### TALKING OF GIMBLING

Two weeks ago you were asked in these columns if you knew the difference between a tester and a gumbry. If you haven't yet found the answer—even by looking in John Gloag's *Short Dictionary of Furniture*—it is time you were told.

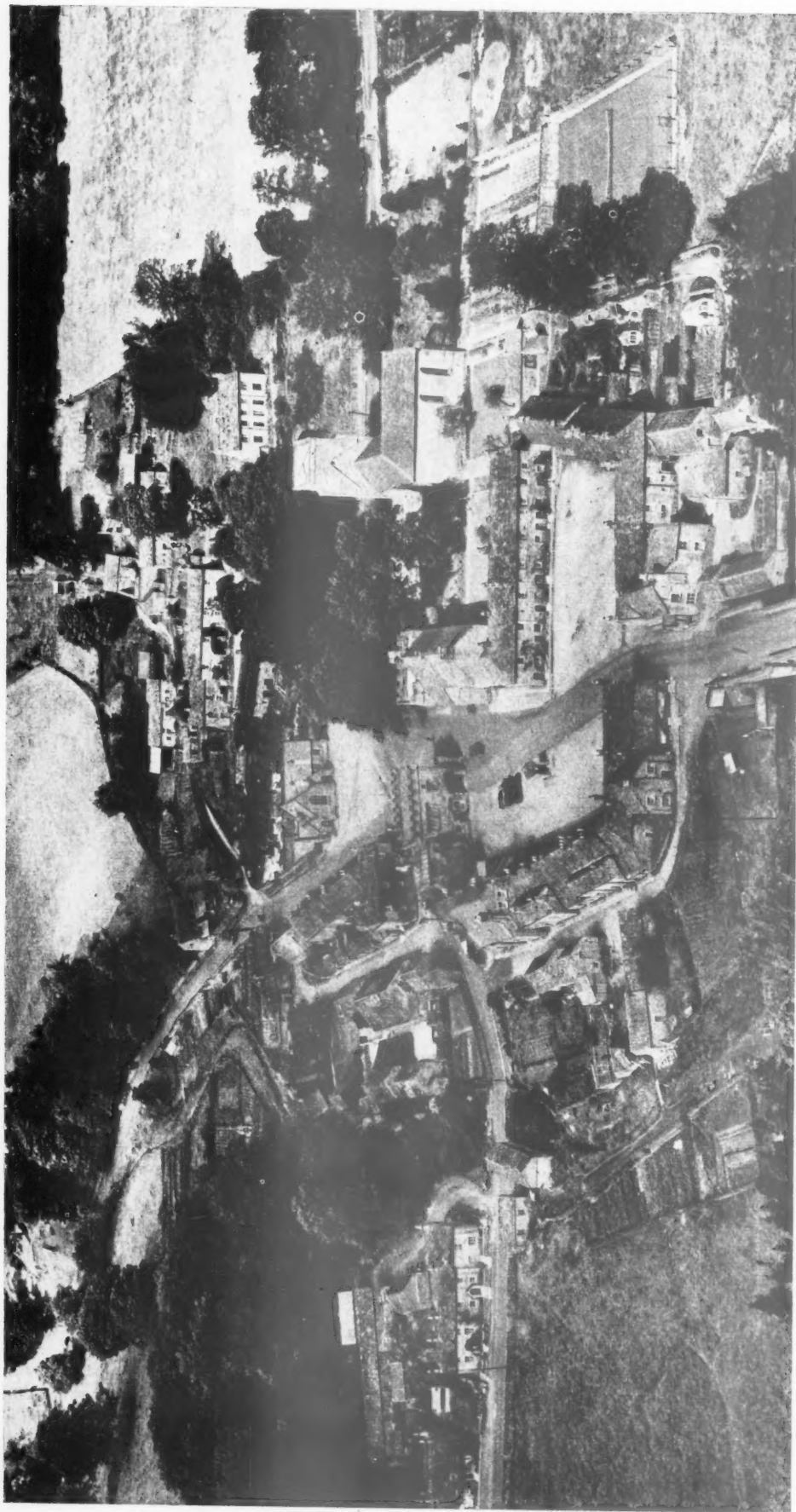
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"A gumbry," writes a reader, "is a receptacle with two handles, a form of miniature tureen made of pewter, and used for drinking gumbo, which is a kind of soup that has okra as its principal ingredient. Also a term for a

small pair of tweezers, used for holding a piece of alum against a gum-boil. There is some evidence that the term was invented by Horace Walpole, who collected gumbrys, and had cases designed for them in the Gothick taste, with special compartments in them for keeping small supplies of alum. Some authorities suggest that the word 'gumbry' has an indelicate origin, and has been adopted from an expression that occurs in Creole patois."

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That should be all you need to know about the subject. And now let me tell you that my question should have been: "Do you know the difference between a tester and an *aumbry*?"



## Urban Landscape

"Our wholesale development of estates may well prove as desperately ill-conceived as the Bye-law towns of the 19th Century unless we at once pay more serious attention to the solution of the problems of urban landscape." That statement was made last week by Ernest Marples, parliamentary secretary of the MOHLG. It echoed the opinions of many of us. Have we not all seen post-war estates in which the houses are of improved design but stand, in Mr. Marples's words, "in the suburban pattern of twenty years ago"? "We are creating a new domestic architecture," said Mr. Marples, "and it is not enough to build houses as mere units of accommodation systematically packed along a road frontage. Good layout is not the creation of geometrical shapes and the construction of over-substantial

traffic roads. Rather it is a sympathetic modelling of the whole estate, in which full account is taken of the natural features." The truth of this was hit upon many decades ago, perhaps unknowingly, by the planner of villages such as Blanchland, Co. Durham, which is shown above. It is not suggested that this is a perfect model for neighbourhood planners today. But it is a good example of compactness and unity in a neighbourhood. It has qualities that are much needed in present building development. However, the discovery of such qualities should not be left to chance by local authorities. It is high time, as Mr. Marples has said, that the services of the landscape specialist or the architect skilled in site topography were made use of as a matter of course in the planning of estates.

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## The Editors

## HOUSING: GAINS AND LOSSES

IN addition to the points made on this page last week, the one-per-cent. sample analysis of the 1951 Census reveals some disturbing facts concerning the rate at which we are losing houses through obsolescence. It will be remembered that the census shows that during the last twenty years we have only just kept pace with the increase of roughly three million in the number of separate households in Great Britain. Other statistics, however, show that we have built in these twenty years about four million dwellings, while conversions have added at least another 300,000 to this figure. Hence, it can be assumed that we have lost between one and one and a half million dwellings during the same period. Of these, only about 250,000 were destroyed as a result of war damage.

The reasons presumably include the re-planning of central areas of towns and the neglect of non-remunerative property by landlords, and sometimes even by owner-occupiers. There seem to be some indications that the rate at which we are losing houses has accelerated in recent years. This is not surprising. It is now widely recognized that the property-owner, whether investor, house-owner, or public authority, is being squeezed between the rent restriction acts on the one hand and rising repair bills on the other. Increases in rates and the high rate of income tax also have their effect. There is no easy or obvious solution to this problem, but nobody would suggest that a loss equal to at least 25 per cent. of the new dwellings provided for the community at great private and public expense can be tolerated indefinitely. A new housing policy, as distinct from a mere house-building programme, is evidently needed. This means tackling the thorny problems of rent restrictions and rating assessments. Perhaps, if a new policy is ever worked out, the existing machinery of rent tribunals will be strengthened and compelled to work with wider terms of reference. Even within the present framework of legislation much more could be done than has yet been attempted. For example, the 1949 Housing Act included a permissive clause which enables local authorities to give financial assistance to private owners who wish to convert existing premises into flats. This clause could be operated much more energetically.

However, the sample analysis of the census suggests that legislation is not enough and that the present mass of regulations and restrictions will have to be simplified and revised if the present rate of loss by obsolescence is to be slowed down and we are to derive full benefit from the housing drive.

A silly mistake because we all know what an aumbry is, don't we? If not, Mr. Gloag can tell us.

"... TO YOU SIR"

Do you know anything about auctions? ASTRAGAL has long been so cautious of them that although they fascinate him he rarely goes near one. Still rankling in his memory is the occasion when, after he had seen a clock knocked down to him, a woman in the throng apparently suggested he was a relative of the auctioneer. The auctioneer, being a fair minded man, promptly offered nearly everyone present a similar clock—though he was "not supposed to sell them." ASTRAGAL is, of course, so conspicuous a person that any auctioneer, if given the chance, would probably deny—loudly and publicly—any relationship.

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Therefore, mystified as he has always been by the way the auctioneer interprets the flick of a catalogue and an indifferent nod as another £5 offered—and prevented, as he is, from investigating the matter personally—ASTRAGAL was delighted to come across *Make Me an Offer\**, by Wolf Mankowitz. From this book he learns that the catalogue-flicker who catches the eye of the auctioneer sometimes doesn't exist at all, and that this practice is known to the trade as "trotting."

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This is a book which is fun to read, and at the end of it you feel you know how all the inside wangles are arranged, although there are no doubt some more tricks which the author keeps up his sleeve. Mr. Mankowitz's characters may be subhuman, but if you've ever tried to buy an Adam fireplace you'll find it interesting to learn some of the things that go on in the background.

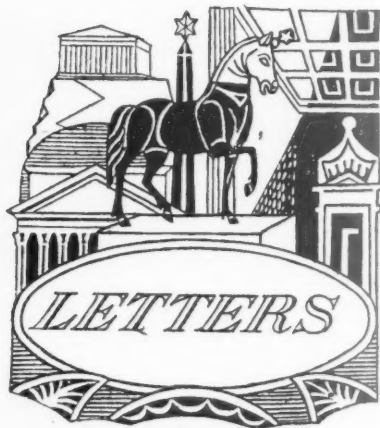
FOR THE LAST TIME . . .

Writing (with difficulty and between clenched teeth) ASTRAGAL thinks you may like to hear that in the United States the eye-patch, deplored here not so long ago, has cropped up in the advertising for women's girdles, and has now even got as far as a toy duck designed by Raymond Loewy. All we need now is a doll with removable glass eyes, false teeth, a wig and a wooden leg, and then perhaps the whole thing may die a natural death.

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## The Linear House : Another Opinion

SIR,—The central feature of Mr. de Wolfe's design (AJ: July 3) is the shape of the living room, which he makes long and narrow for the sake of the vista, as if the housewife—who is, after all, the chief occupant—would be willing, or able, to spend her time gazing down the far too literal corridor of time and space into the garden beyond. In fact, much of her working day (an 18-hour day) would perforce be spent in the kitchen with its vista of dustbin and fuel bunker just outside the window.

The linear house is surely based on a fallacy. A street of flanking rows of buildings leading to an appropriate termination provides a perspective in which solid masses close at hand give way to space and light in the distance. This effect is absent in a corridor, even if it is called a living room, and is part of a linear house.

It seems hardly likely that the writer of the article has ever lived in the sort of house he describes, or he would be less enthusiastic. I have. The house had a living room 19 ft. by 10 ft. 6 in. There was no feeling of space, the chief sensation being that of enclosure by two walls. There are many technical objections to Mr. de Wolfe's proposal, but it is unnecessary to mention them: the fact is that there are satisfactory solutions to the small house problem, but the linear house is not one of them.

G. L. JONES.

Banbury.

## Landscape Architecture in its Infancy

SIR,—I have written to correspondence schools asking for information about landscape architecture courses. On learning that none was available, I approached the Secre-

tary of the ILA, who knew of no appropriate correspondence course either. I have seen announcements concerning a three-year course for full-time students at Brixton, and, as you may know, a Chair of Landscape Architecture was established recently at Durham. Such facilities, though, appear to be available only for those people fortunate enough to live near either of these centres and with sufficient capital to meet the heavy fees involved.

Being very keen on the idea of becoming a Landscape Architect, I have attempted to get over the problem on my own initiative, by taking a quite comprehensive correspondence course through the National Landscape Institute in California. Even so, I fear the regulations concerning essential employment in the horticultural world will prove a serious handicap, for I have spent all my time on housing and roadwork schemes with some municipal park administration thrown in.

Landscape Architecture is still in its infancy here; and if my own experience is anything to go by, it is likely to remain so for some time yet.

HOWARD FROBISHER.

Bacup.

## Factory Designers : Please Consult Truck Makers

SIR,—Members of the Industrial Truck Manufacturers' Association who are manufacturers of power-driven platform trucks, elevating platform trucks, tractors and high lift fork trucks, would like to bring to the notice of all architects the many difficulties they experience, mainly due to insufficient consideration having been given in the design and layout of factory buildings for the movement of industrial trucks.

The use of power-driven trucks has greatly increased in recent years, and with the ever-increasing demand for more goods from the same labour force, their use will increase still further. The introduction of these trucks into buildings intended for manhandling of small unit loads has presented many problems which could be avoided in new plants if architects would consult and co-operate with truck manufacturers.

The layout of a new plant should allow fork and elevating trucks to turn and deposit their loads at right angles to gangways, and loading bays must have sufficient width for a truck to turn and enter a railway wagon, or possibly a road lorry.

Stores and buildings intended for high stacking and pallet loads should have doors which allow the appropriate height of truck to enter, and every possible overhead obstruction should be avoided if full utilization of the cubic capacity of the buildings is to be obtained.

It is appreciated that with the older type of factory architects can do little to assist in the improvement of layout so that power-driven trucks can be used, and that this depends on the management of the factory concerned. However, our members do feel that for new factories, if more information were asked for by architects regarding the movement of goods within this factory, the layout should be designed accordingly, and would have the effect of providing an efficient means of transport immediately the factory goes into production. In the past it has been found on numerous occasions that movement of material and goods is not considered until the layout is completed.

The successful use of trucks on ground floors has led to a demand for trucks suitable for use on upper floors. In new buildings lifts should have capacity and length

to accept both truck and load, and the upper floors must be designed to carry trucks moving with their appropriate load.

Standard power trucks will generally carry their rated load up gradients unsuitable for hand trucks, but steep gradients which may require specially powerful driving units should be avoided if possible.

It is suggested that it would be of advantage if architects, when considering the layout and design of new factories, would seek information on the above points from the manufacturers of industrial trucks, and the Association would be pleased to act as a focal point to facilitate an exchange of this type of information.

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## Architectural Education : A Waste of Money

SIR,—I have followed with more than ordinary interest the correspondence recently appearing in the JOURNAL, on the future of the architectural profession. As a fully qualified architect I have no more than ten months of my National Service to complete before I attempt to find employment in that profession. I am not alone in my dilemma; there are a great many young men who, like myself, having studied for five-often six-years with an additional period of military service are slowly realizing that the jobs—once so glibly promised—are no longer to be found. Are the authorities really aware that this situation has arisen? Judging by the measures suggested in the architectural Press, apparently not. There has been a great deal of woolly publicity directed at the impending crisis for some time now, but, as far as a distant onlooker can see, without a definite result.

All over the country a great many recognized and unrecognized schools of architecture are churning out new members of the profession on a vast ill-organized production line. Have these institutions seen the red light? I doubt it; they are as full now as ever they were. Looking back I seem to remember a warning directed about the over abundance of architectural students—based on an official census—over two years ago. This painful reminder that Great Britain, her Colonies and the Commonwealth could not support the number of architects about to be unloaded upon them, was in the main glossed over.

Positive action and less apprehensive propaganda is required. Let us agree that the number of men and women who have had expensive architectural training can hardly forgo that education in order to become glorified clerks of works. The only course left is to drastically reduce the number of entrants into the profession. Drastically reduce does not mean pruning the odd lame duck here and there, but a sizeable reduction in the region of fifty per cent. If we are to stabilize the unhealthy position existing at the moment half-hearted measures will be completely useless.

Many more recent departments of architecture than in self-righteous zeal have been enlisting every available able-bodied male in the country to join them in their crusade will have to close down. But, surely this is preferable to the considerable sums of money being wasted by the country in educating architects who will never be able to justify their training.

I realize that these suggestions will not be popular, though they are foundations, which is what, surprisingly enough, most other remedies appear to have been lacking.

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## RIBA

*Invited to Pan-American Congress*

The eighth Pan-American Congress of Architecture will be held in Mexico City from October 19 to October 25. The RIBA may send a representative in conjunction with the British Council.

Part of the Congress, the main purpose of which is the exchange of information on architectural developments in the Western Hemisphere, will be an exhibition of architect's work, particularly from the USA and Mexico.

Mexico's main exhibit will be University City itself, typifying the progress achieved by Mexico in the field of modern architecture. Meetings of the Congress will take place in the large auditorium of the new school.

The Congress will discuss town-planning and housing problems and the design of public buildings, such as universities, hospitals and social centres.

*Rome Scholarship Won by Scottish Architect*

The Rome Scholarship in Architecture for 1952 has been awarded to Duncan Ian Black. Mr. Black, who is 30 years of age, served for four years in the RAFVR and completed his architectural training at the School of Architecture, Edinburgh College of Art, in 1950.

Announcing the award, the Faculty of Architecture of the British School at Rome had pleasure in noting that, although the number of final contestants was small—only four—the standard of work submitted was of a much higher quality than that of recent years.

The Rome Scholarship in Architecture is provided for by an annual grant made to the British School at Rome by the Council of the RIBA. It is normally tenable for two years, but may be prolonged in exceptional cases for a third year.

*Golfing Society Beaten by Surveyors*

In their annual match against the RICS Golfing Society the RIBA Golfing Society team was beaten by 9 games to 6. The match took place at the New Zealand Golf Club, West Byfleet.

## MOHLG

*Municipal Housing Estates Criticized*

Speaking at Wakefield recently, Ernest Marples, Parliamentary Secretary to MOHLG, criticised the lack of imagination being shown by local authorities in the design of their housing estates. "Good layout," he said "is not the creation of geometrical shapes and the construction of over-substantial traffic roads. Rather it is a sympathetic modelling of the whole estate—in plan and elevation—in which full account is taken of the natural features. The strictly limited purpose of roads for residential access needs to be appreciated. Footpaths should be substituted often for closer access to groups of houses and their use with intelligent planting can lend considerable variety to the pleasant appearance of the neighbourhood as well as making for economy in materials and labour."

"Too rarely is this being understood: I go about the country seeing well-built houses of improved design standing in the suburban pattern of twenty years ago. I am most anxious that immediate steps should be taken by local authorities to rectify this outstanding defect of post-war schemes."

Housing layout, Mr. Marples continued, should be designed "with the help of a landscape specialist or an architect skilled in site topography. We are constantly paying respect to 18th century and Regency towns and yet" he concluded, "we continue the wholesale development of estates which may well prove as desperately ill-conceived as the bye-law towns of the 19th century."

*Marples Urges Bye-Law Flexibility*

Opening a new ready-mixed concrete plant at Leeds recently, Ernest Marples, Parlia-

mentary Secretary to MOHLG, urged city engineers not to interpret their bye-laws too rigidly. "It is hoped," said Mr. Marples, "that the new model bye-laws will be introduced next year."

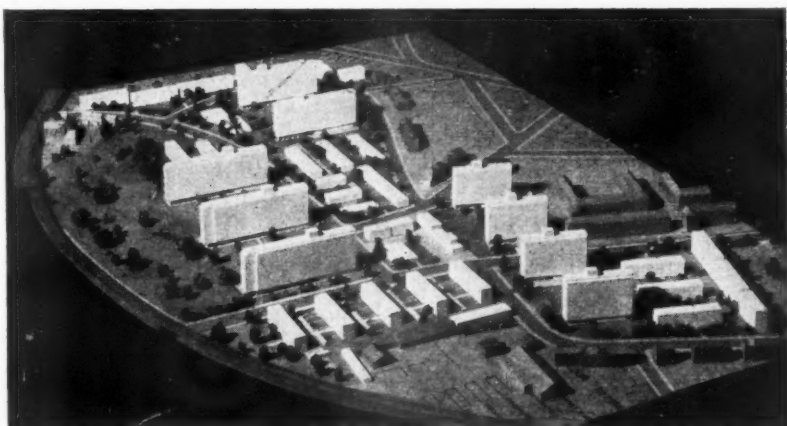
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*Regulation Unchanged*

The War Damage Commission has announced that, in view of certain misunderstanding which seems to have arisen recently among professional advisers and others concerned with war damage repairs, it wishes to emphasize that its policy always has been, and still is, to carry out the duty placed on it by the War Damage Act, 1943, namely, to pay the proper cost of works executed for the making good of war damage where the occurrence of the damage has been duly notified to it.

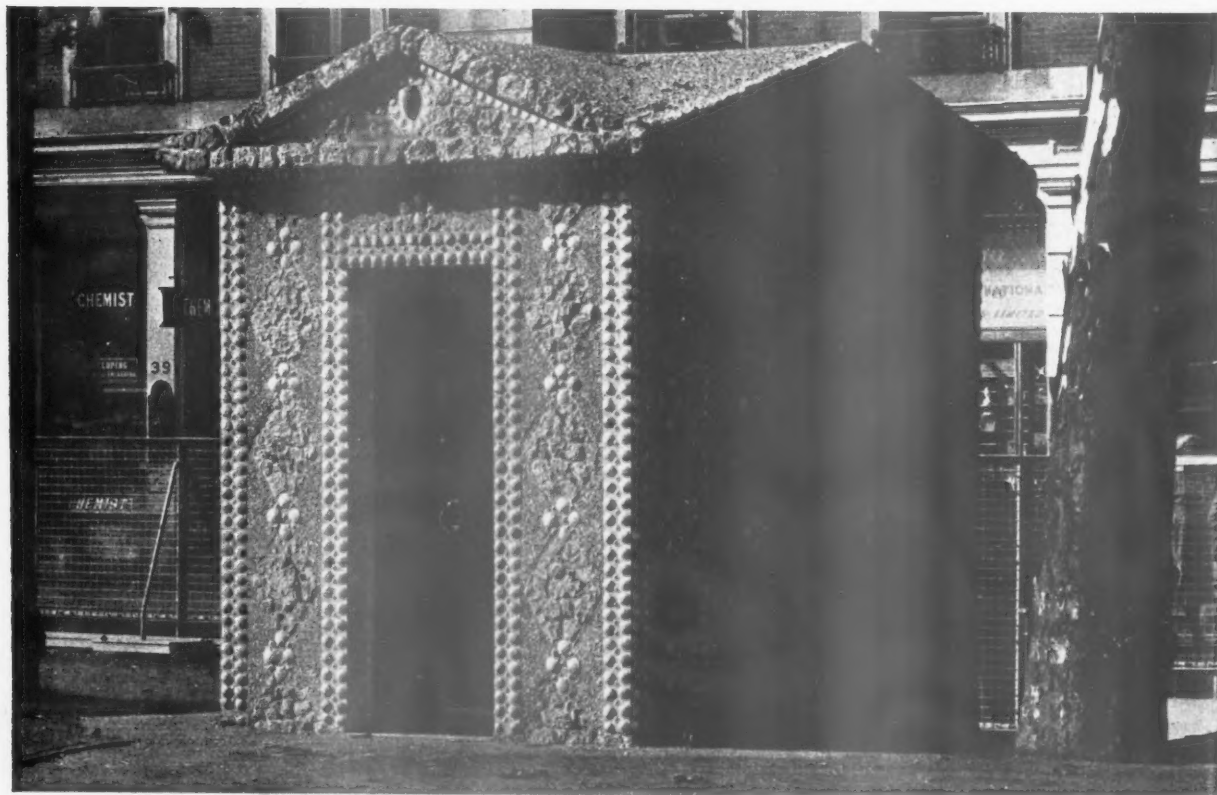
Apparently there is an impression that the Commission has changed its policy and is no longer prepared to accept any liability for redecoration as a part of war damage repairs. This is not true, but, inevitably, with the lapse of time (it is now more than seven years since the last bomb fell anywhere in this country) and the progressive accumulation of dilapidation, the Commission has been bound to scrutinize more closely claims for work done or schedules of proposed repairs in order to satisfy itself what is the extent of the work (including decorations) which can properly be said to be required in order to make good the war damage as distinct from maintenance repairs.

The Commission wishes to emphasize that when work of a typically maintenance character—minor plaster repairs and decoration—has already been carried out before it is approached, it must inevitably obscure the evidence of war damage which the Commission must have before it can admit a claim. It accordingly strongly recommends owners or those acting for them to put their proposals to the Commission before the work is done, so that they may know in advance to what extent the Commission can accept liability.



This model shows the proposed development by the LCC of a 38-acre site near Loughborough Road, Lambeth. The scheme was submitted by the Housing Committee to the Council at its meeting on July 15. It is estimated that it will cost nearly £2,500,000, and will provide 1,029 dwellings in two-, four-, six- and eleven-storey blocks of flats and maisonettes, terraces of two-storey houses and three-storey blocks with shops on the ground floor and maisonettes above. It is also proposed that there should be a public open space of 6½ acres, an old people's home, a shopping centre to include the shops mentioned above, a single-storey club, a public house, an estate workshop, nine laundries, 28 garages and a children's playground. A large proportion of the accommodation will consist of three-room maisonettes, of a newly-developed design, in eleven-storey blocks. Details of these will appear in next week's JOURNAL. The scheme has been prepared by the Housing Division of the Architect's Department of the LCC. (Robert H. Matthew, Architect to the Council; Dr. J. L. Martin, Deputy Architect; Whitfield Lewis, Principal Housing Architect; Michael Powell, Assistant Housing Architect).

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## SH EXPERIMENT AT GROSVENOR GARDENS, VICTORIA



The layout for Grosvenor Gardens, Victoria, which was designed by M. Moreux, the architect-in-chief of the National Museums and Palaces of France, is certainly more imaginative than the suburban-back-yard plots which have sprung up in the Strand, in Piccadilly and elsewhere. But we have little enough breathing space in our city and it seems a pity that the spaces which are available should not be made common ground. As the above photograph shows, M. Moreux's arabesques are pleasing enough when seen from the top storey of nearby buildings. But as the

pattern can only be appreciated from above, what is the point of it? And what genius for creating three-dimensional paradoxes thought up the scheme for contradicting the graceful tapering curves of the garden with stolid, squalid stone and wire enclosures? As can be seen, above left, the public is allowed within a stone's throw of the gardens, which it may sit and admire through a netted screen. The shell-covered gardener's lodges (seen above and bottom left) speak—incoherently—for themselves.

## BOT

*Restricted Practices*

In a written reply to Sir T. Moore, the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Thorneycroft, has stated that the Monopolies Commission has found that about three-quarters of the entire supply of electric wire and cable is accounted for by the members of two associations—the Cable Makers' Association and the Covered Conductors' Association—who operate arrangements restricting competition in the industry.

## DSIR

*New Treatment for Dry Rot*

Organic paints and plasters which will prevent dry rot fungus emerging from a wall

to attack timber have been developed by the DSIR. They can be used after an attack has been dealt with in the ordinary way. They ensure that no new outbreak will take place even if spores or strands have been left in brick or stonework. No new methods are needed to apply them.

The Forest Products Research Laboratory and the Building Research Station have been carrying out experiments for some time to find a practical method of preventing dry rot recurring after an original attack had been dealt with.

Zinc oxychloride mixtures have proved to be effective in preventing the spread of dry rot in conditions highly favourable to its growth. The cost of the material is not high. Paints average about 1s. to 1s. 6d. a square yard. A thin coat of plaster costs about 2s. a square yard. Layers about  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. thick cost 13s. a square yard.

The paints and plasters are intended to be used instead of the normal fungicidal solution applied to a wall. All the other

measures for dealing with dry rot outbreaks should still be taken.

## HOSPITAL PLANNING

*Nurses and Architects to Confer*

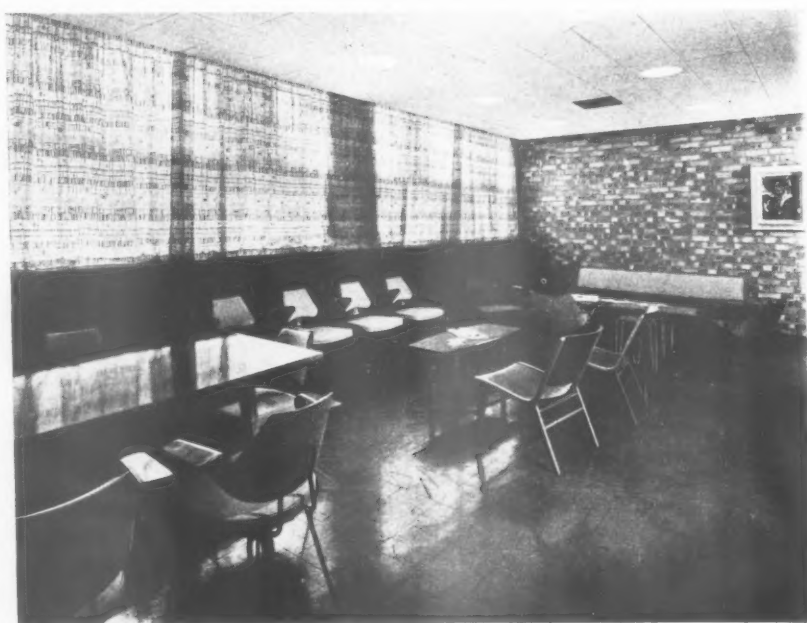
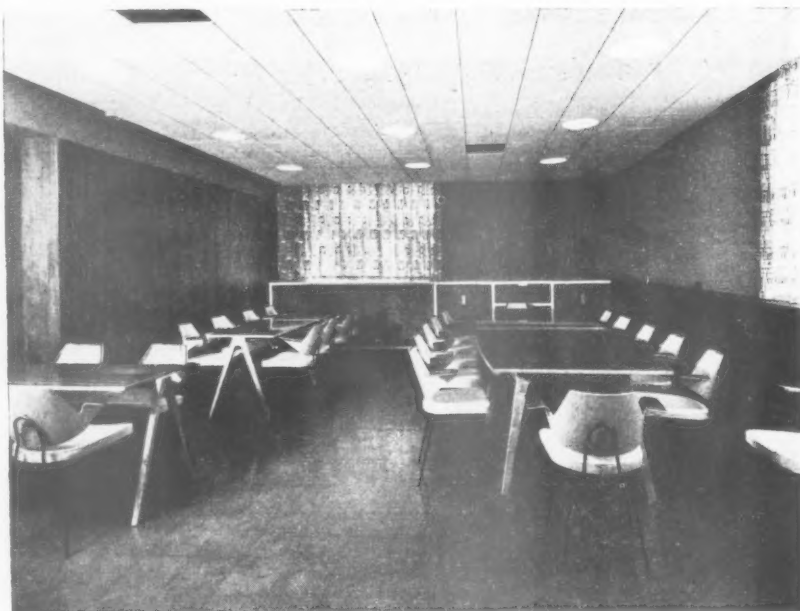
The National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, representing over 51,000 trained nurses, has been considering the question of hospital planning, and has collected information from this country and from abroad. An open conference on this subject is to be held on September 2, at the RIBA. Speakers will be drawn from the medical, nursing and architectural professions.

Application for tickets should be made without delay to the National Council of Nurses, 17, Portland Place, London, W.1.



## US OFFICERS' CLUB AT SOUTH RUISLIP, MIDDLESEX

Three American architects—W. W. Cunningham, E. B. Mitchell and E. J. Higgins—were responsible for the interior design of a new officers' club for the Third US Air Force, South Ruislip, Middlesex. Right: the dining end of the "Teak Room" (the generals' mess), furnished with dining chairs and tables (Hillestak) designed by Robin Day. Right, centre: the lounge end of the same room. The chairs (except for two Danish plywood chairs in the foreground, right) were designed by Robin Day for S. Hille and Co., Ltd. The table for twelve, which can be divided into two, was especially made by the firm. The settee and occasional tables were made in the officers' club workshop. The curtain fabric seen in both photographs was designed by Lucienne Day. Below, left: the bar and lounge, a long narrow room divided into small areas by coloured screens. The chairs are of various colours. Below, right: the dining room, furnished with Hillestak chairs and tables. The lighting fittings here—as elsewhere in the club—were designed by G.E.C. These lights, arranged in a staggered formation at 7-ft. centres, can be switched on in groups of three or five so that a uniform lighting pattern is obtained whatever intensity of light is required.



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## MOW

*Education for Management*

Most of our universities show no inclination to establish courses for training men for managerial and supervisory posts in the building industry. A report presented to MOW earlier this week by the Building Apprenticeship and Training Council\* examines existing facilities and notes that Manchester University is the only university with a degree course in building.

The report states that the output of graduates specially trained for managerial posts in the industry is not likely to increase greatly in the near future. The number of students in national diploma courses at technical colleges has increased substantially since the end of the war, but it is not known whether figures will be maintained now that further education and training grants have ceased.

Some courses in general foremanship have been established in recent years, but it is too early to assess the effect. Although licentiate discussion clubs of the IOB are doing useful work in a few big cities, schemes of training for management and courses for potential managers have not been successfully established.

The report recommends that employers' organizations should encourage recruitment from those who complete suitable courses, should give weight to higher educational qualifications when making appointments to administrative and technical posts, and should make known the facilities available and their value.

\* Building: Training for Management. (HMSO, 6d.)

## COURT CASE

*Taxation of Builders' Deposits*

Our correspondent, T. J. Sophian, writes the following comments on a recent court decision about the taxation of builders' deposits:—

On the sale of a house, it is not unusual for the builders to leave part of the purchase price as a deposit with the building society making the advance to the purchaser—the deposit being by way of a guarantee for the repayment of the advance. The deposit in such a case will be released on the fulfilment of certain conditions, such as the repayment by the purchaser to the society of a certain proportion of the amount advanced.

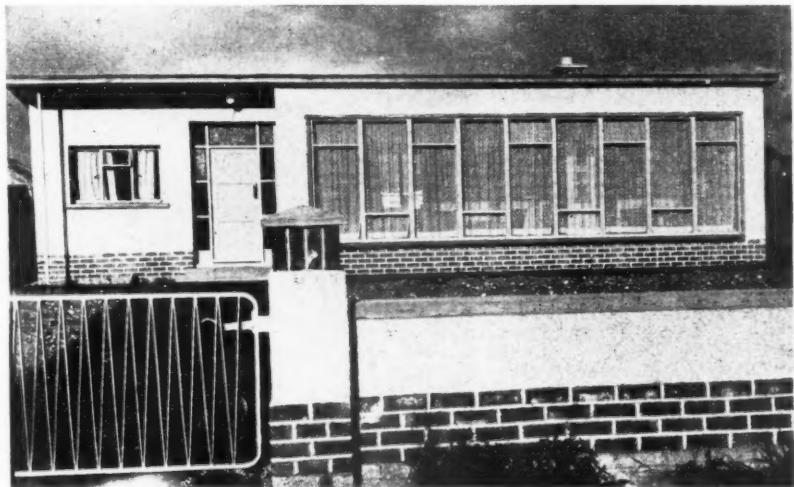
How is the deposit to be treated for tax purposes in the builders' accounts? Under a transaction of this nature, one cannot postulate that at any stage a debt is due to the builder from the building society. At the most there is a bundle of rights and obligations, which on the happening of certain events beyond the control of the parties may produce an "asset" in the shape of a claim by one against the other.

The House of Lords has had occasion more than once to consider the difficult question, as to whether, and if so, in what manner, these "deposits" are to be taxed; and the latest decision of the Court of Appeal on the point, in the case of *Chibbet v. H. Brookfield Ltd.*, helps to clear up certain ambiguities as to the effect of the decision of the House of Lords in the leading case of *Harrison v. Cronk*, 1937.

As the builder has the right to the release of the deposit, in theory the value of this right at the date when the sale is completed has to be brought as a trading receipt into the accounts; but having regard to the contingencies on which the release of the deposit to the builders is dependent, the House of Lords, in *Harrison v. Cronk*, directed that if an actuarial value was impracticable, then the deposit should not be treated as a receipt, except in so far as the whole or any part thereof was actually released.

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## SUBSIDY BUNGALOW IN NORTHERN IRELAND



Above is shown a bungalow designed by J. B. Singer as part of the subsidy housing scheme in Northern Ireland.

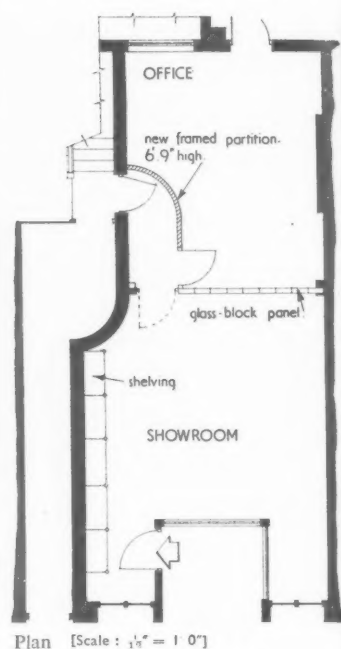
To encourage private building, the Government of Northern Ireland is granting subsidies of £250, £225 and £150 for three-apartment (up to 800 sq. ft.), four-apartment (up to 900 sq. ft.), and five-apartment (up to 1,050 sq. ft.) houses, respectively. The



houses have to comply with regulations regarding the siting, size and height of rooms and materials used. In this bungalow, concrete bricks (to BS 1180) were used with the exception of six courses (up to the living room window cill level) and chimney, which were in "Dragannon" facing bricks. Walls are 11-in. brick cavity construction. Floors are two 3-in. layers of 1:3:6 mix concrete laid on 6-in. hardcore. Below is shown the living room with dining room beyond. Contractors, see page 150.



## FABRIC SHOWROOM IN MOUNT STREET, LONDON



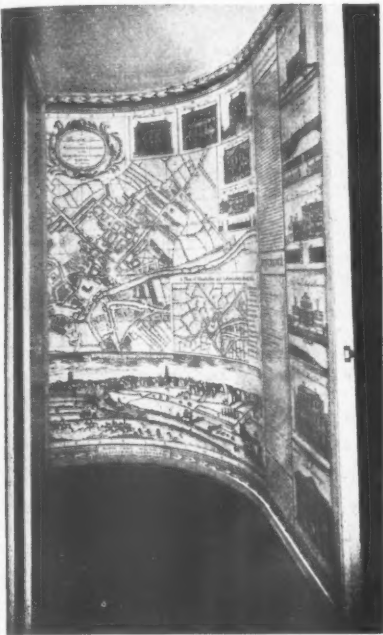
A showroom and show window for fabrics at 27, Mount Street has been designed for Henry Marchington & Sons, Ltd., by Alan S. Buckley. The available space is used for sales and general administrative work and there is accommodation for a certain amount of stock. The work has been carried out with prefabricated display units and involved no structural alterations. The original layout provided a larger show window and the showroom to be used solely for sales and display, but this scheme had to be abandoned due to licensing and other

difficulties. The final solution hinges around the large double sided display and stock fitment seen in the photographs above and below and centre on the opposite page. This fitment forms the background to the window, carries display lighting and provides stock shelves for 36-in. rolls of fabric. The entire unit is carried by an inclined, tapered birch "goal post" framework, and is quite self-contained with its own lighting fixtures for both the window and the showroom side, and could, in the event of a re-arrangement of the premises, be moved bodily to

any position simply by disconnecting the two tapered vertical supports from the ceiling. For the display of fabrics a variable arrangement of polished brass rails and timber pegs is used: these fit into holes drilled in the mahogany screen background. The stock and display racks, seen on the right in the centre photograph opposite, are of timber framework carrying adjustable mahogany shelves and flower boxes. Shelves are split along the front edge to allow fabric to pass through for display purposes. Small timber file cabinets were designed to fit beneath standard tables (see below opposite) in front of the glass brick panel which divides the showroom and



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office areas. A new curved partition, seen above, was built to form a short corridor and faced with an enlargement of an old map of Manchester, home city of the clients. The general contractors were J. Buckle & Sons. For sub-contractors see page 150.



*Architects are sometimes called upon to give evidence in legal cases. In the following article Mr. Sophian discusses some of the Acts which, though not directly concerned with building operations, contain provisions that the architect ought to know about.*

## T. J. SOPHIAN

### Reconstruction and the Leasehold Act of 1951

The Leasehold (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1951, may well entail the evidence of an architect. Under that Act a tenant who carries on a retail trade is entitled to an extension of his tenancy if the court considers it reasonable to order an extension (Section 12). But there are certain bars to such a grant, and under 5. 12 (3) (c), the court cannot order a grant if it is satisfied "that the landlord reasonably requires possession in order that the premises, the subject of the expiring tenancy or a substantial part of the premises, may be demolished or reconstructed."

The fact that the landlord requires possession so that he can occupy the premises himself (for the purpose, for example, of his trade or business) does not *per se* constitute an absolute bar to a grant. However, it may have to be taken into account in determining whether greater hardship would be caused by ordering the grant of an extension (5. 12 (3) (e)).

#### A DIFFICULT LEGAL QUESTION

A difficult legal question arises if the landlord wants to secure possession to use the premises himself and to make alterations to the premises for this purpose. The question is whether the dominant purpose of possession is occupation by the landlord himself; the fact that in connection with that pro-

posed occupation, a "reconstruction" is proposed, can constitute an absolute bar to a grant. This question still awaits solution by the courts.

In the meantime attention might be usefully drawn to some of the points which an architect engaged in such a case should know about.

#### WHAT IS "RECONSTRUCTION"?

"Demolition" is self-evident, but what is "reconstruction" for the purpose of the paragraph? The reconstruction must be of a substantial part of the premises. Thus, if the tenant's premises were to be thrown into one together with the adjoining premises, and very little had to be done to the tenant's premises by way of alteration, such as the cutting of a wall to make an opening, it could not be said that there was a reconstruction of a substantial part of the tenant's premises. In order that there should be "reconstruction," it is necessary that there should be substantial structural alterations, such as, for example, the cutting of internal walls, the erection of internal walls to divide rooms, the removal of staircases (and their construction in other parts of the building) and the bricking-up of openings. The mere installation of w.c.s, baths, or washbasins would not be sufficient to constitute a reconstruction. However, the matter is one of degree, and the question ultimately must be one of fact.

Assuming that there is to be a "reconstruction," the further important question is whether the landlord can be said *reasonably* to require possession of the premises for the purpose of reconstructing them. It must not be overlooked that the maximum period for which an extension can be granted is one year, and that the Act itself has a limited life—it expires in June, 1953, unless it is extended—and that in determining whether the landlord is reasonably requiring the premises for reconstructing them, regard must be paid to whether the period over which the reconstruction operations are likely to extend, once they commence, the cost of the materials to be used, whether building licences or licences for the material themselves will be difficult to obtain, whether the building operations contemplated can only be carried out in stages, and matters of that sort.

#### EVIDENCE FROM ARCHITECTS

The architect cannot, of course, be called upon to decide whether the landlord's requirement is reasonable, but he can, by his evidence, supply the data on which the question can be determined.

On the other hand, as the architect is an expert, it would appear that he will be permitted to give expert evidence on the question as to whether or not the proposed works constitute a "recon-



struction" of the premises or of a substantial portion of them.

In this connection, it might be of interest to contrast the language of 5. 12. (3) (c) of the 1951 Act with the somewhat similar provisions contained in 5. 5. (3) (b) of the Landlord and Tenant Act, 1927. It will be noted that under that Act a tenant cannot be granted a new lease, though he may be awarded compensation for goodwill, when the landlord proves: "that he intends to pull down or remodel the premises or that vacant possession is required, in order to carry out a scheme of redevelopment; or that for any other reason the grant of a lease . . . would not be consistent with good estate management."

#### GOOD ESTATE MANAGEMENT

These latter words provide a clue as to the meaning of "demolition" or "remodelling" for the purpose of the above provisions in the 1927 Act. It would seem that the demolition or remodelling must be required for the purposes of good estate management.

Having no regard to the economic situation at the present day, and the scarcity of materials, the question of demolition in relation to good estate management must be considered in the light of these present-day conditions. In any event, "demolition" and "reconstruction" must be so considered, since the 1951 Act was passed at a time when these conditions must have been present to the minds of the legislature. From this it would seem to follow that possession for the purpose of "demolition" or "reconstruction" can only be reasonably required, because of the poor physical condition of the building. The architect should therefore not omit to study the structure and condition of the building, for he may well be asked questions as to whether or not it would be reasonable to pull down or reconstruct the premises or a substantial part of them.

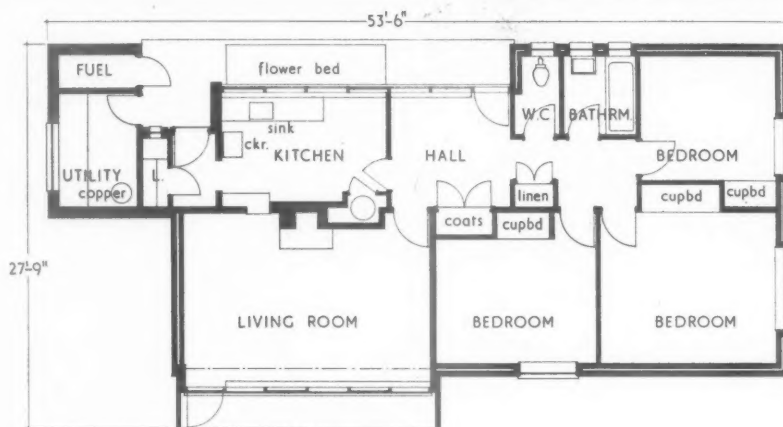
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In *Chibbet v. H. Brookfield Ltd.*, although under the terms of the arrangement made the builders were not entitled to call for the release of the deposit, the building society had in fact made an offer to release it, because of, *inter alia*, the high rate of interest payable, but the builders had declined the offer.

The builders contended that the House of Lords in *Harrison v. Cronk* had laid down a comprehensive and exhaustive rule that in transactions of this kind, the deposit, unless it could be given a proper actuarial value at the time when it was created, could not be valued at any stage thereafter and was to be treated only on a cash basis, so that it could only be regarded as a trading receipt, to the extent to which, and in the year in which, it was so released.

The Court of Appeal however have refused to interpret the decision in *Harrison v. Cronk* in this limited manner and have held that the decision leaves no room for an alternative, in that the deposit should the stage be reached when it can be valued, is to be brought into the accounts. The Court accordingly held that the deposits which the builders at the date in question could have had for the asking, were then properly brought into the accounts, at their full value.

#### CARETAKERS' HOUSES FOR SCHOOLS



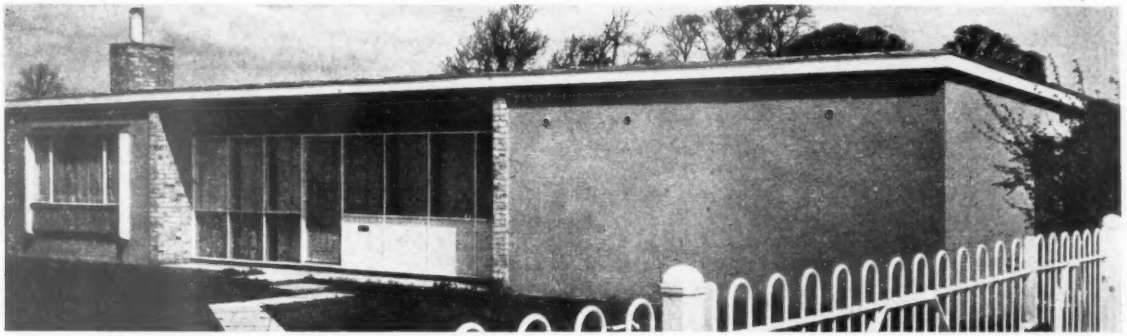
Greenwich plan [Scale:  $\frac{1}{8}'' = 1' 0''$ ]

On this and the page following are illustrated three caretakers' houses: firstly at the Cherry Orchard Primary School, Greenwich, designed by Denis Clarke Hall and L. W. Elliott; secondly, above on opposite page, at the Barclay Secondary School, Stevenage, designed by Yorke, Rosenberg and Mardall; and below opposite, at the proposed Barmulloch Primary School, Glasgow, designed by Ross, Harvey and Scott. The photograph above shows the south and west facades of the house at Greenwich and below is a view of the north and west facades, including the main entrance. The living room faces south and overlooks the playground and school, so that these can be supervised out of school hours. A garden is provided as part of the school grounds (for site plan see page 609, A.J., May 15). The foundation slab consists of 6-in. thick concrete reinforced with steel mesh with a 1-ft. 6-in. deep edge beam. The walls

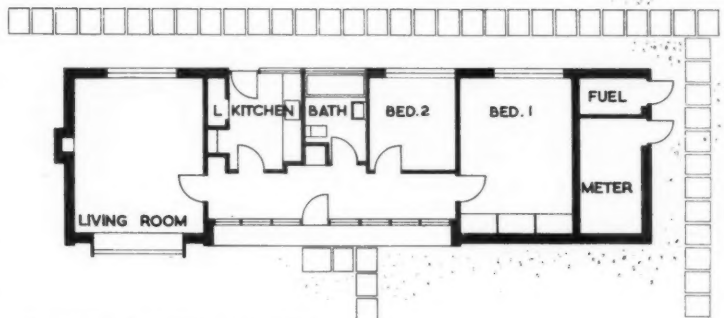




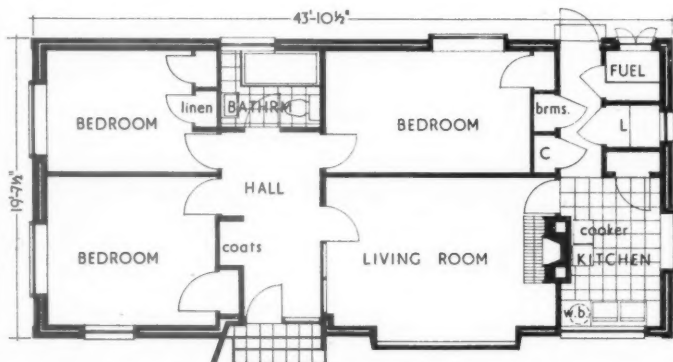
## AT GREENWICH, STEVENAGE AND GLASGOW



are of 10½-in. cavity construction, consisting of 4½-in. brick outer skin and 4-in. breeze inner skin, which carries the roof of 6-in. by 2-in. joists, 1-in. boarding, 1-in. wood wool and felt. Cost £1,771. Above, west facade of the house at Stevenage, which has 11-in. cavity walls faced with yellow stock bricks and Tyrolean rendering on flettons. The screen to the entrance hall has 5-in. by 2-in. timber framing with painted asbestos cement panels, backed with ½-in. insulation board, below the glass.

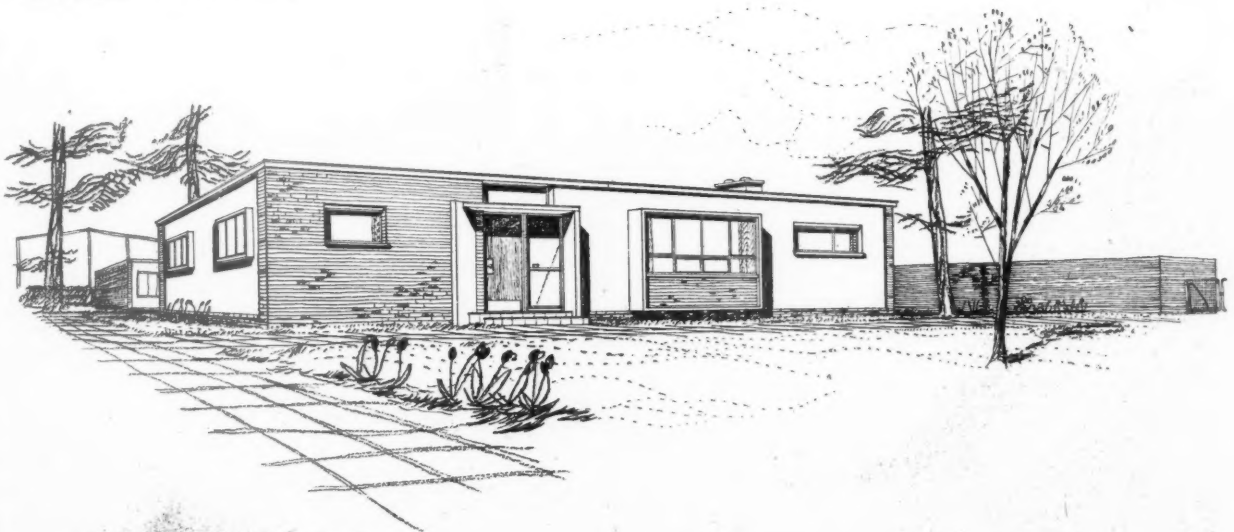


Stevenage plan: [Scale: 1/16" = 1' 0"]



Glasgow plan: [Scale: 1/32" = 1' 0"]

Over this screen and under the west living room window and kitchen and bathroom windows are panels of western red cedar vertical boarding. The roof is of bituminous built-up 3-layer roofing felt with a covering of granite chips on ½-in. fibreboard on close boarded joists at 3½° pitch. Below is a sketch showing the west and south facades of the proposed house at Glasgow, which will have 11-in. cavity walls partly rendered in set-back panels in Tyrolean finish. The roof will be 4-in. r.c. on plastered 2-in. wood wool slabs as permanent shuttering.



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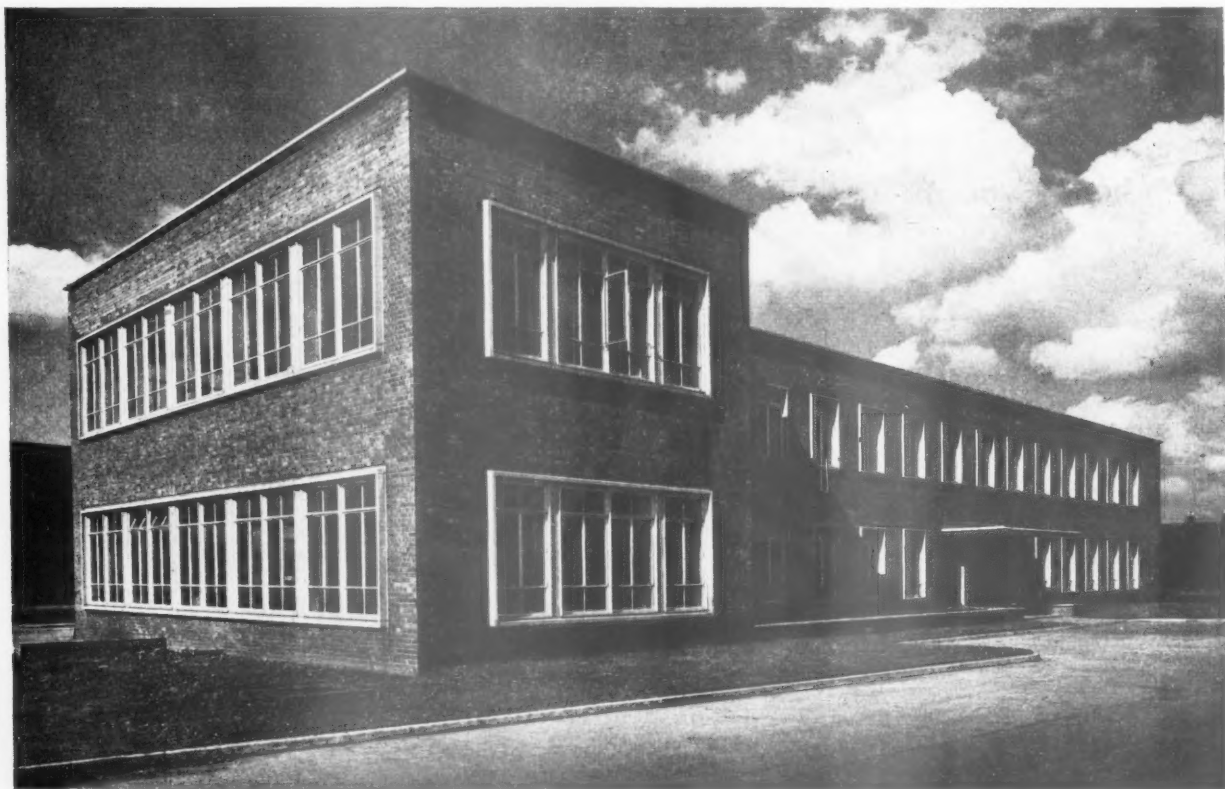
## LABORATORIES

in LEADWORKS LANE, CHESTER

designed by ROBERTSON R. YOUNG

A building combining laboratories for research chemists and office accommodation for the works manager, chief engineer, draughtsmen and other technical staff was required by Associated Lead Manufacturers, Ltd. The laboratories had to be planned as a unit, with easy access from the offices and with a main entrance common to both.

*View looking north-east with the laboratories on the left and offices on the right.*



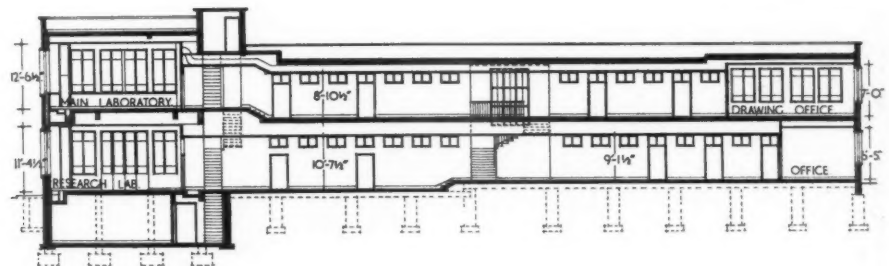
**SITE.**—Future road works and buildings to the north of the site and a new road along the canal bank on the south side limited the shape of the building. It is long and narrow. The site is entirely of made-up ground.

**PLAN.**—Advantage was taken of the 3-ft. slope from east to west of the site to locate the main and research laboratories, which require a 12-ft. clear floor to ceiling height, at the west end of the building.

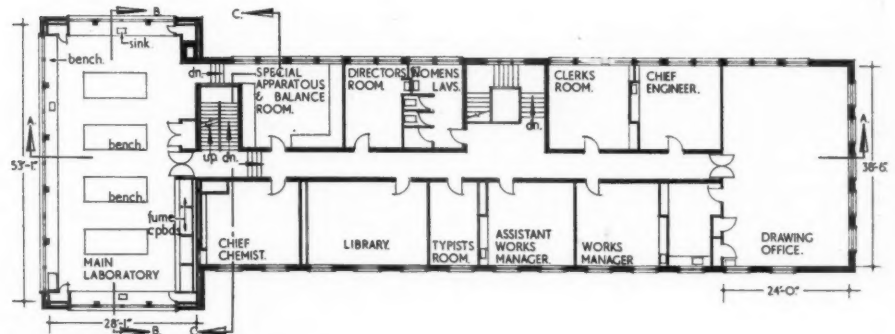
**CONSTRUCTION.**—In order to provide as much daylight as possible in the two main laboratories, a steel frame was chosen for the block at the west end. The remainder of the building has load-bearing brick walls and the internal corridor walls are 9-in. thick structural brickwork. The sub-structure of the load-bearing walls consists of piers of engineering bricks supporting reinforced concrete beams carrying



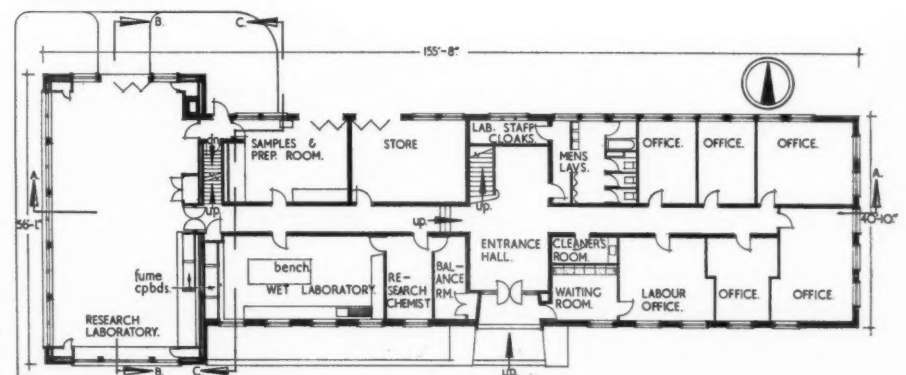
*Above, main entrance on the south facade.*



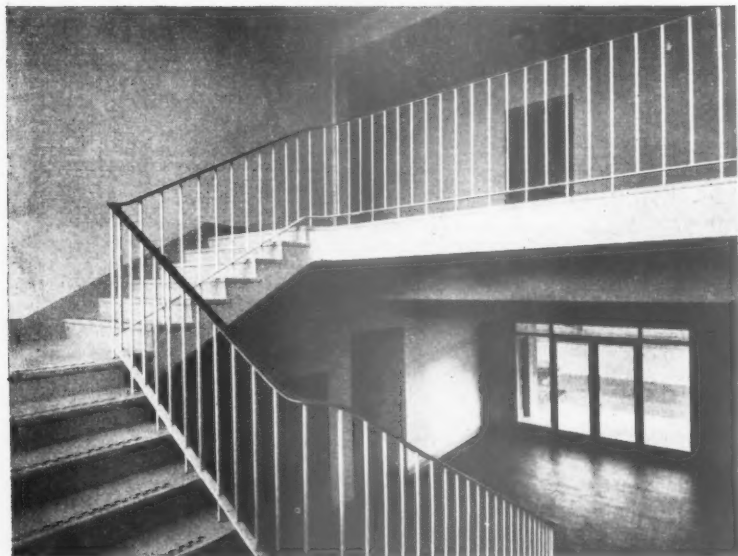
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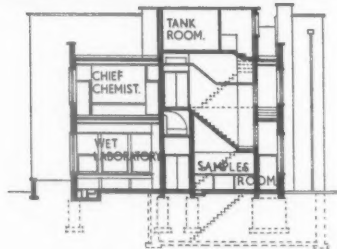
First floor plan



Ground floor plan (Scale:  $\frac{1}{32}'' = 1' 0''$ )



Top, main laboratory on first floor. Above, main staircase and hall. Below right, looking north-west.



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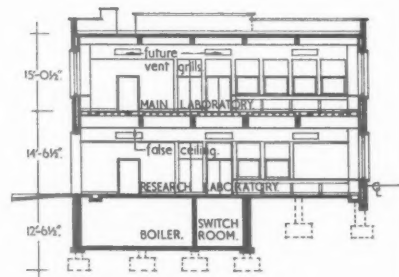
the walls above. Floors and roof are of precast suspended reinforced concrete.

**FINISHES.**—On the exterior, autumn brown facing bricks are used; the mortar is coloured to match the bricks. Window surrounds, copings and facings are of artificial stone and the windows are aluminium. Floor finishes include oak strip in laboratories, cork tiles in first floor offices, and thermoplastic tiles in ground floor offices and corridors. Most of the offices have ceilings finished with acoustic tiles as a surround to heating panels.

**SERVICES.**—Services in the two principal laboratories run in four vertical ducts, one in each corner of each room; there are horizontal floor ducts with removable access panels. Allowances are made for future additions to services. All service pipes are concealed, but are accessible along their entire lengths and telephone cables run in chases behind the skirtings in all offices. Ejector type extract fans for fume cupboards are located on the roof and give an extract rate of 50 ft. per minute per sq. ft. across the fume cupboard doors when fully open. Heating is by suspended ceiling coils.

The contract price was £56,440; per sq. ft. 76s. 6d.; per cub. ft. 4s. 7½d.

The general contractors were R. Costain & Sons (Liverpool), Ltd. For sub-contractors, see page 150.



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## LABORATORIES

in LEADWORKS LANE, CHESTER  
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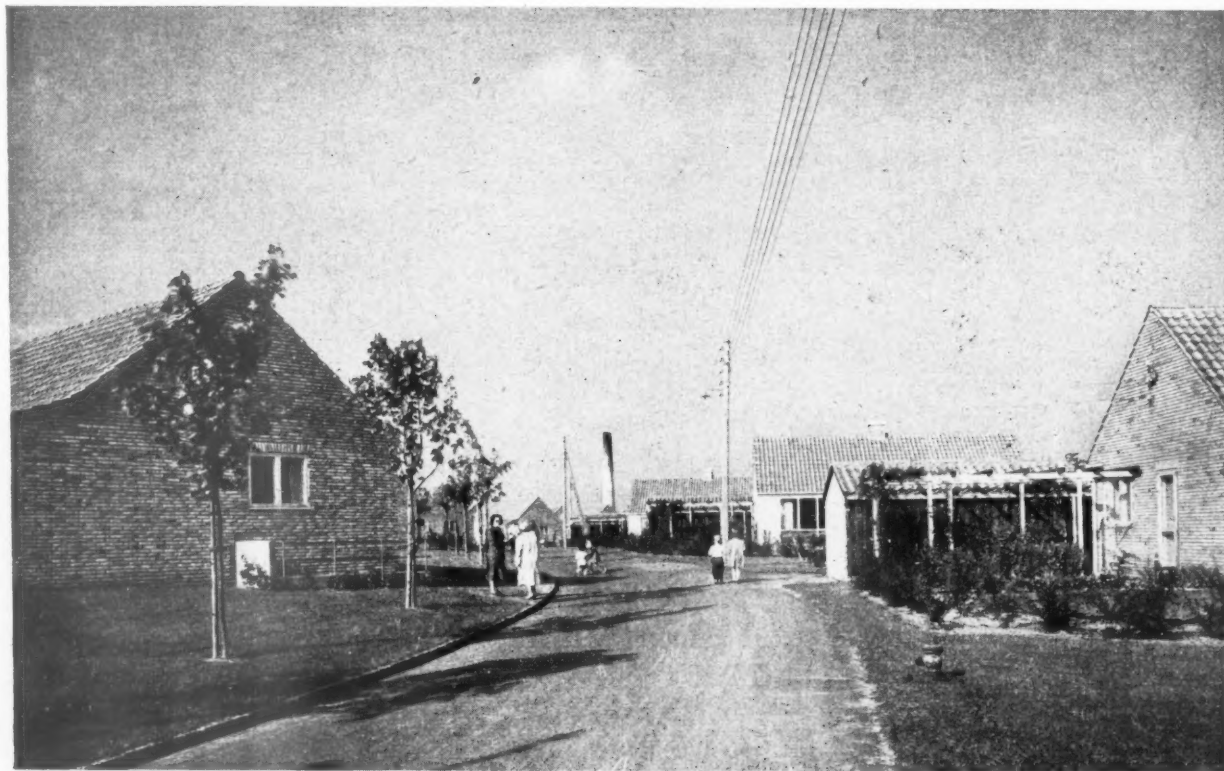
## HOUSING

at SONDERGAARD PARK, DENMARK

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There are, on this site, three main house types, (a) two-storey three-bedroom terrace houses, (b) single-storey two- and three-bedroom houses in terraces to get extra privacy in the gardens and with plan variations giving dining-kitchens or separate dining rooms, (c) single-storey three-bedroom houses linked together in pairs by cycle stores and also staggered for garden privacy and with varied kitchen and dining arrangements.

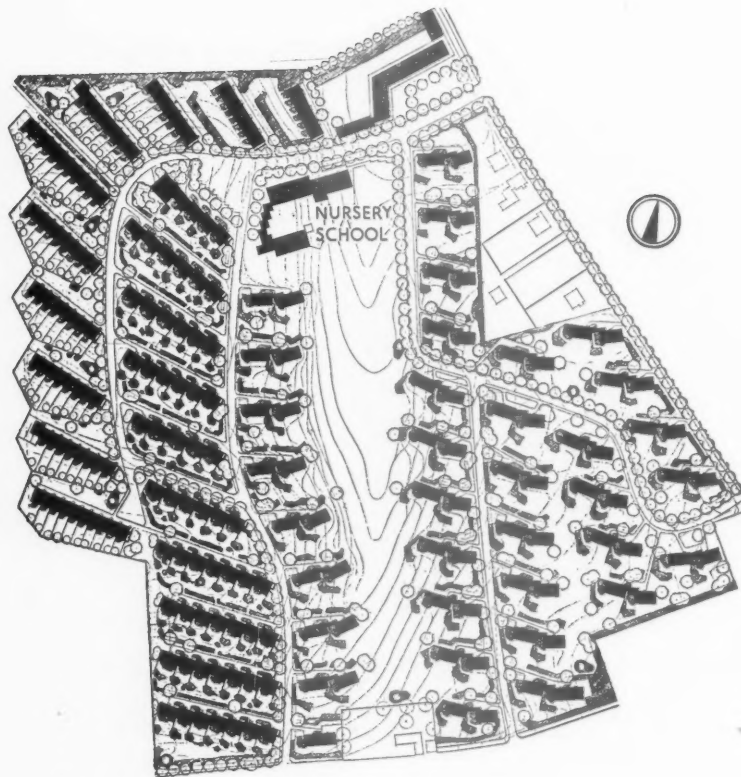
*View looking north with terrace houses on the left and linked houses on the right.*



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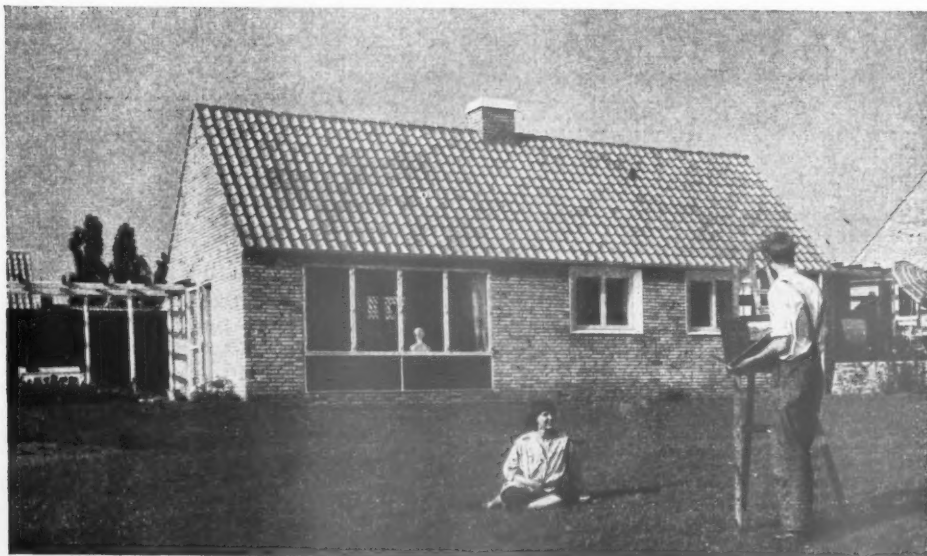
Site plan



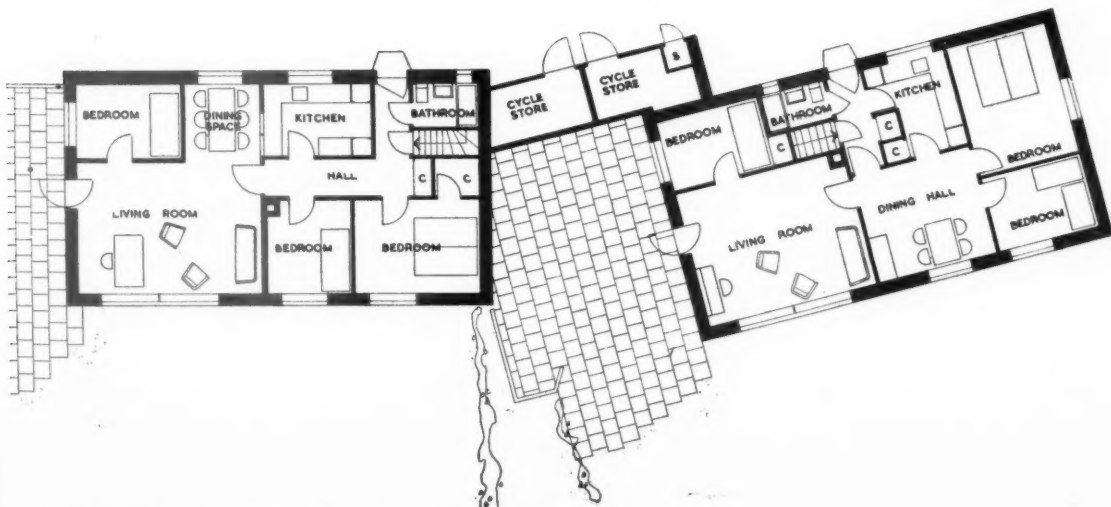
Ground and first floor plans of typical two-storey terrace houses [Scale:  $\frac{1}{4}" = 1' 0"$ ]

**SITE.**—The site is laid out so that a large area in a central position is communal open space and only the two-storey houses have entirely enclosed garden plots. There is a nursery school in the centre of the site, to the north, facing the main expanse of open ground.

**CONSTRUCTION.**—The walls are of cavity construction, the outer skins of yellow bricks and the inner skins of molar blocks. Partitions are of lightweight concrete slabs and sub-floors are concrete. Roofs are constructed of 6-in. by 2-in. rafters built up into trusses with 4-in. by 1-in. struts.

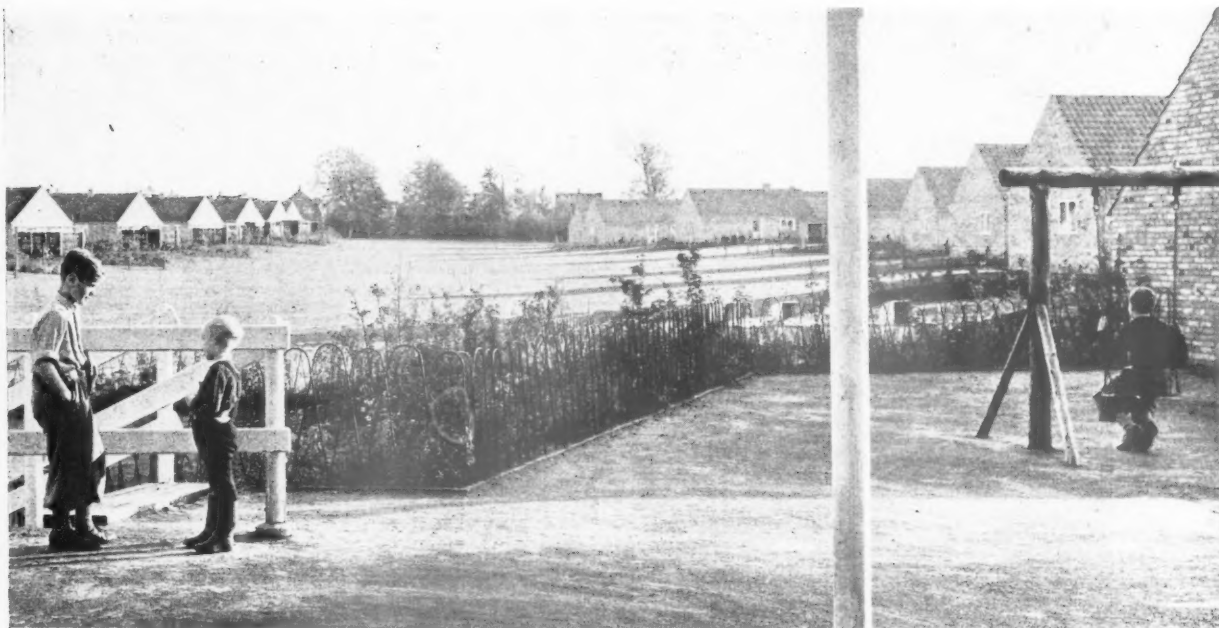


One of a typical pair of houses seen from the garden. (Plan on opposite page.) Above right, opposite, south facade of typical two-storey house. (Plan above.)



Plan of typical single-storey linked houses

[Scale :  $\frac{1}{4}'' = 1' 0''$ ]



Above, looking down the public open space, with linked houses on either side.

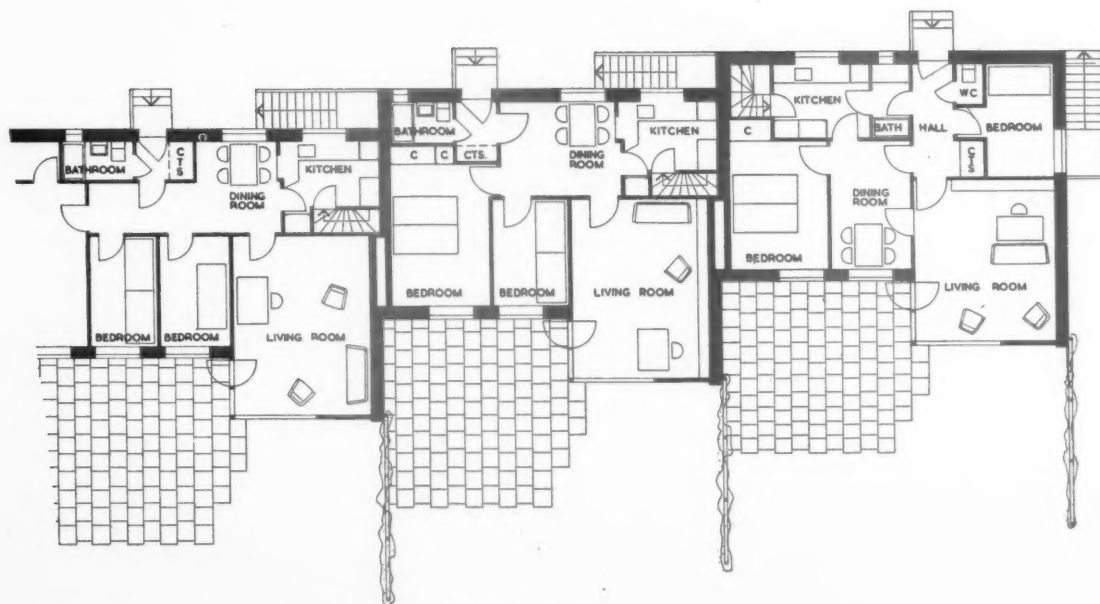
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**FINISHES.**—Roofs are covered with yellow pantiles, and insulated by 1-in. mineral wool mats. Ceilings are plaster on reed lathing. Floors are of 5-in. by 2½-in. joists, 1-in. boards and beech parquet finish, with 2-in. wood wool slabs between the timber floor and concrete sub-floor as additional insulation. Windows are double glazed with timber frames.

**SERVICES.**—The site has a district heating system supplying hot water and heating radiators in all the houses. Cooking is by gas.



Plan of staggered single-storey terrace houses [Scale: 1/16" = 1' 0"]

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## TECHNICAL SECTION

A question asked in Parliament earlier this month drew attention to the fact that some local authorities still build flats without adequate sound insulation. In spite of the valuable research carried out at BRS and the fact that a reasonable degree of insulation can be achieved at small expense (no more than £50 per flat), some local authorities seem to consider it a worthwhile economy to omit it, although they are not entirely to blame, for MOHLG have apparently refused to sanction for subsidy purposes the cost of the extra work.

In practice, it seldom proves to be a saving. On the contrary, as in the case quoted in Parliament, the tenants' complaints usually become so determined that something has to be done and, of course, to provide insulation after the flats have been completed can cost four or five times what it would have cost if done at the proper time; to say nothing of the inconvenience caused to the tenants, who must vacate their homes while the work is done.

The omission of sound insulation is but one example of an attitude to housing amenities which is all too common. Whoever the culprits are, when will they learn?

### 8 ESTIMATING measured rates

*Current prices for measured work prepared by Davis, Belfield and Everest, Chartered Quantity Surveyors. Prices are for work executed complete and are for an average job in the London area. All prices include overhead charges and profit for the general contractor.*

#### PRELIMINARIES

To all valuations for measured work add for Preliminaries, Water and Insurances, according to the nature of the job (say) .... 10%

#### EXCAVATOR

##### Excavation

N.B.—The following prices are applicable to hand excavation in heavy soil.

|   |                |       |
|---|----------------|-------|
| Surface digging, 6" deep  | per yard super | -/11  |
| Ditto, 12" deep   | per yard super | 1/10  |
| Excavating not exceeding 10' 0" deep to reduce levels                               | per yard cube  | 7/4   |
| Excavating not exceeding 5' 0" deep to form basement                                | per yard cube  | 8/3   |
| Ditto, exceeding 5' 0" and not exceeding 10' 0" deep ditto                          | per yard cube  | 11/11 |
| Excavating not exceeding 5' 0" deep to form surface trenches                        | per yard cube  | 10/1  |
| Ditto exceeding 5' 0" deep and not exceeding 10' 0" deep ditto                      | per yard cube  | 13/9  |
| Excavating not exceeding 5' 0" deep to form basement trench, commencing 10' 0" deep | per yard cube  | 17/5  |

#### EXCAVATOR—(continued)

##### Disposal

|  |               |       |
|--|---------------|-------|
| Returning, filling and ramming around foundations                          | per yard cube | 3/3   |
| Wheeling excavated soil not exceeding 100 yards and depositing             | per yard cube | 3/8   |
| Ditto and spreading and levelling  | per yard cube | 4/9   |
| Ditto, ditto, and consolidating to make up levels under floors and pavings | per yard cube | 6/-   |
| Filling into lorries and carting away                                      | per yard cube | 11/11 |

##### Planking and Strutting

|  |               |      |
|--|---------------|------|
| Planking and strutting to sides of surface or basement excavation not exceeding 5' 0" deep         | per ft. super | -/6½ |
| Ditto not exceeding 10' 0" deep  | per ft. super | -/8  |
| Planking and strutting to sides of surface trenches not exceeding 5' 0" deep (both sides measured) | per ft. super | -/1½ |
| Ditto not exceeding 10' 0" deep (ditto)  | per ft. super | -/3  |

#### CONCRETOR

##### Concrete (Basic Prices)

|  |               |       |
|--|---------------|-------|
| Portland cement concrete 1 : 3 : 6 with 1½" coarse aggregate in foundations and masses exceeding 12" thick | per yard cube | 66/-  |
| Ditto 1 : 2 : 4 with ¾" coarse aggregate ditto   | per yard cube | 66/11 |

## CONCRETOR—(continued)

## Add to Basic Prices for:—

|  |               |       |
|--|---------------|-------|
| Working around rod or mesh reinforcement                               | per yard cube | 3/8   |
| Being in beds less than 12" thick (6"-12")                             | per yard cube | 1/10  |
| Ditto less than 6" thick (4½"-6")                                      | per yard cube | 5/6   |
| Being in small quantities not exceeding 3' cube                        | per yard cube | 14/8  |
| Being in suspended floors and roofs                                    | per yard cube | 11/-  |
| Being in walls not exceeding 6" thick                                  | per yard cube | 18/4  |
| Ditto exceeding 6" but not exceeding 12" thick                         | per yard cube | 12/10 |
| Ditto exceeding 12" thick  | per yard cube | 9/2   |
| Being in lintels, beams, etc., not exceeding 72 sq. in. sectional area | per yard cube | 27/6  |
| Ditto exceeding 72 and not exceeding 144 sq. in. sectional area        | per yard cube | 22/-  |
| Ditto exceeding 144 sq. in. sectional area                             | per yard cube | 18/4  |
| Being in columns not exceeding 72 sq. in. sectional area               | per yard cube | 34/10 |
| Ditto exceeding 72 and not exceeding 144 sq. in. sectional area        | per yard cube | 27/6  |
| Ditto exceeding 144 sq. in. sectional area                             | per yard cube | 22/-  |

## Formwork

|   |                |      |
|---|----------------|------|
| Close boarded formwork and supports to soffits of floors not exceeding 12' high | per yard super | 14/5 |
| Ditto to vertical faces of walls (both sides measured)                          | per yard super | 14/5 |
| Ditto to sides and soffits of lintols and beams                                 | per ft. super  | 2/1½ |
| Add to any of the above for wrot formwork and rubbing down concrete             | per yard super | 2/4½ |

## Reinforcement

|   |                |      |
|---|----------------|------|
| ½" to 1" diameter mild steel rod reinforcement, hooked, bent and tied at intersections as required and fixing in concrete           | per cwt.       | 50/6 |
| ½" diameter ditto   | per cwt.       | 54/7 |
| ½" diameter ditto   | per cwt.       | 67/- |
| Steel wire mesh fabric reinforcement to B.S. 1221, weighing 4.71 lb. per yard super, well lapped at joints and embedded in concrete | per yard super | 3/3  |
| Ditto weighing 9.32 lb. per yard super ditto  | per yard super | 6/2  |

## BRICKLAYER

## Common Brickwork

|   | Flettons       | Rough stocks |
|---|----------------|--------------|
| Reduced brickwork one brick thick in cement-lime mortar (1 : 3 : 9) | per yard super | 27/9 32/5    |
| Add to the above:—  |                |              |
| If in cement mortar (1 : 3)   | per yard super | -2½ -2½      |
| If circular on plan to flat sweep                                   | per yard super | 4/4½ 4/8     |
| Ditto to quick sweep  | per yard super | 8/8 9/3      |
| Half brick wall in cement lime mortar (1 : 3 : 9)                   | per yard super | 15/- 17/4    |
| Ditto built fair and pointed both sides with a neat flush joint     | per yard super | 16/11 19/2   |

|  | Flettons       | Rough stocks |
|--|----------------|--------------|
| One brick wall built fair and pointed both sides with a neat flush joint | per yard super | 32/7 37/3    |
| 11" hollow wall with 2" cavity and galvanized iron twisted ties          | per yard super | 32/8 37/2    |

## Engineering Brickwork

|   | Lingfield Engineering Wirecuts | Blue Pressed bricks |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Reduced brickwork one brick thick in cement mortar (1 : 3)      | per yard super                 | 40/10 58/11         |
| Half brick wall in cement mortar (1 : 3)                        | per yard super                 | 21/11 31/3          |
| Ditto built fair and pointed both sides with a neat flush joint | per yard super                 | 23/9 33/8           |
| One brick wall built fair and ditto                             | per yard super                 | 44/11 63/5          |

## Sundries

|   |                |      |
|---|----------------|------|
| Extra for internal fair face and flush pointing   | per yard super | 1/-  |
| Horizontal damp-proof course of two courses of slates and bedding and pointing  | per foot super | 3/5  |
| Ditto of hessian base bitumen well lapped at joints   | per foot super | -10½ |
| Fixing only metal window, size 1' 8" × 4' 0", including cutting and pinning lugs to brickwork, bedding frames and pointing in mastic one side | each           | 7/7  |
| Ditto, 3' 3" × 4' 0" ditto  | each           | 11/9 |
| Ditto, 6' 6" × 4' 0" ditto  | each           | 20/8 |

## BRICKLAYER—(continued)

## Partitions

|   | 2"             | 2½"       | 3"   | 4½"     |
|---|----------------|-----------|------|---------|
| Breeze concrete solid partition blocks to B.S. 492 and setting in cement mortar | per yard super | 8/- 9/4   | 10/7 | 13/4    |
| Hollow clay partition blocks to B.S. 1190, keyed on both sides and ditto        | per yard super | 8/4 9/4   | 10/7 |         |
| Moler hollow partition blocks, keyed on both sides and ditto                    | per yard super | 14/6 18/- | 20/3 | 4" 23/- |

## Facings

|   | Ordinary facings, p.c. | White glazed facings p.o. |
|---|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Extra over common brickwork built with bricks p.c. 108/- M for facings as described, and pointing with a neat weathered joint:— | 231/6 M.               | 237/4 M.                  |
| To solid wall in Flemish bond   | per yard super         | 13/4 13/9 80/-            |
| To cavity wall in stretcher bond  | per yard super         | 10/10 11/2 63/11          |
| To ditto in Flemish bond with snapped headers   | per yard super         | 12/11 13/3 —              |
| Half brick wall in facings in stretcher bond built fair and pointed one side with a neat weathered joint                        | per yard super         | 24/10 25/2 —              |
| Ditto pointed both sides  | per yard super         | 25/9 26/1 —               |
| One brick wall in facings built fair and pointed one side   | per yard super         | 46/6 47/2 —               |
| Ditto pointed both sides  | per yard super         | 47/6 48/1 —               |
| Brick on end flat arch in facings 4½" on soffit and 9" high and pointing  | per foot run           | 2/10 2/11 —               |
| Brick on edge coping to 9" wall with two courses plain tiles under, laid breaking joint, two cement angle fillets and pointing  | per foot run           | 4/10 4/10½ —              |

## ASPHALTER

## Tanking

|  | To B.S. 1097   | To B.S. 1418 |
|--|----------------|--------------|
| Horizontal asphalt tanking in three thicknesses on brick or concrete | per yard super | 18/11 30/5   |
| Vertical ditto   | per yard super | 23/8 33/7    |

## Roofing

|   | To B.S. 988    | To B.S. 1162 |
|---|----------------|--------------|
| ½" asphalt flat in two thicknesses on and including felt underlay                           | per yard super | 14/5 24/2    |
| ½" asphalt skirting 6" high with angle fillet at bottom and rounded top, turned into groove | per foot run   | 2/4 2/11     |
| ½" asphalt fascia 6" high with solid water check roll at top and undercut drip at bottom    | per foot run   | 4/3 4/9      |

## DRAINLAYER

## Trenches and Beds

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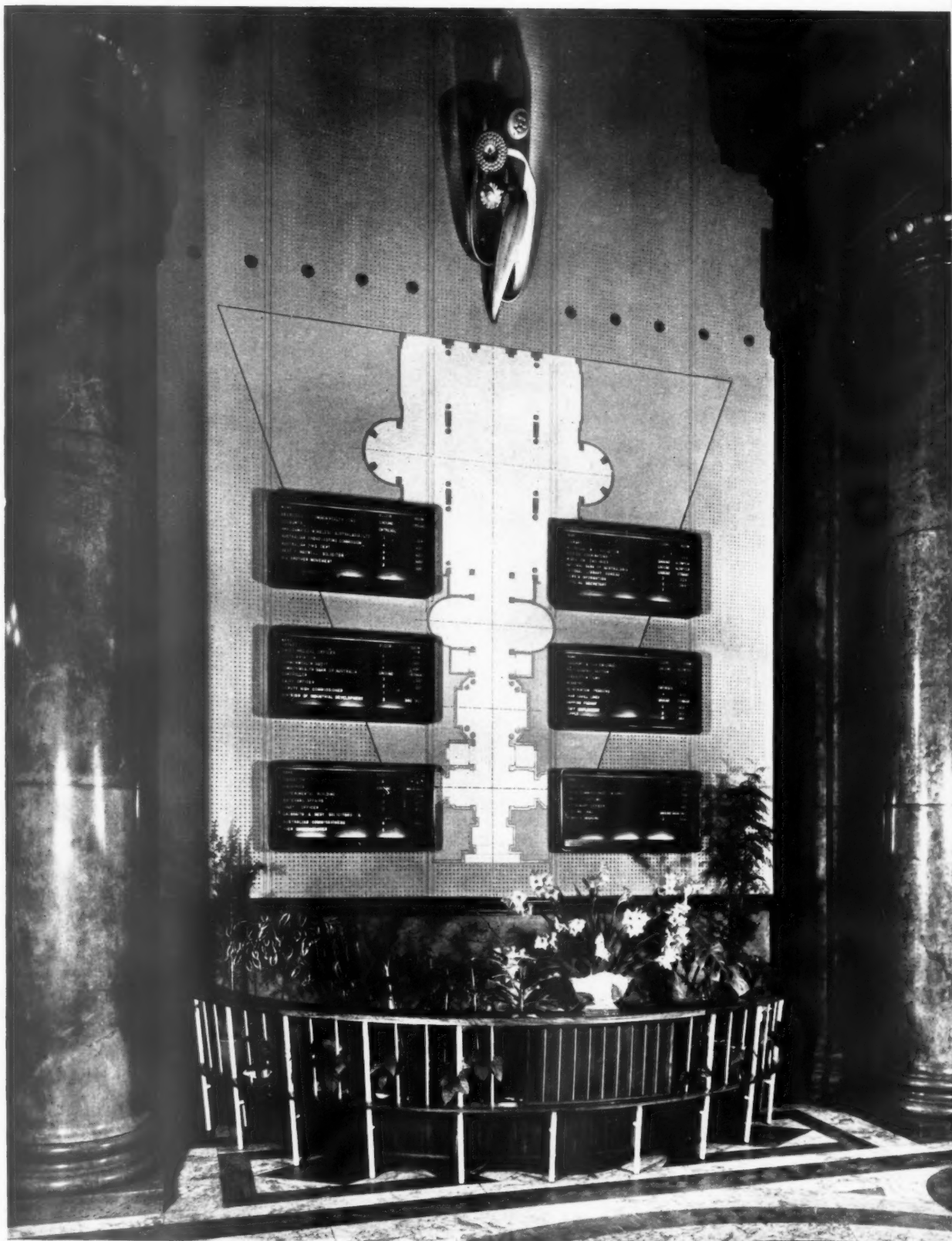
|   |              |                 |
|---|--------------|-----------------|
| Excavate trenches for 4"-9" pipes, including planking and strutting, filling in and ramming, and wheeling and spreading surplus:— |              |                 |
| For each 12" in depth, for trenches not exceeding 3' 0" deep  | per yard run | 2/11            |
| Ditto for trenches exceeding 3' 0" and not exceeding 5' 0" deep   | per yard run | 4/3             |
| Ditto for trenches exceeding 5' 0" and not exceeding 10' 0" deep  | per yard run | 6/10            |
| 6" concrete (1 : 3 : 6) bed and benching for pipes  | per yard run | 4" 8/10 6" 10/3 |
| 6" ditto, and surround  | per yard run | 14/3 17/3       |

# WORKING DETAIL

## FURNITURE AND FITTINGS: 22

FLOWER BOX: AUSTRALIA HOUSE, LONDON, W.C.2

Westwood, Sons and Harrison, architects; Gilbert Chapman, assistant architect-in-charge



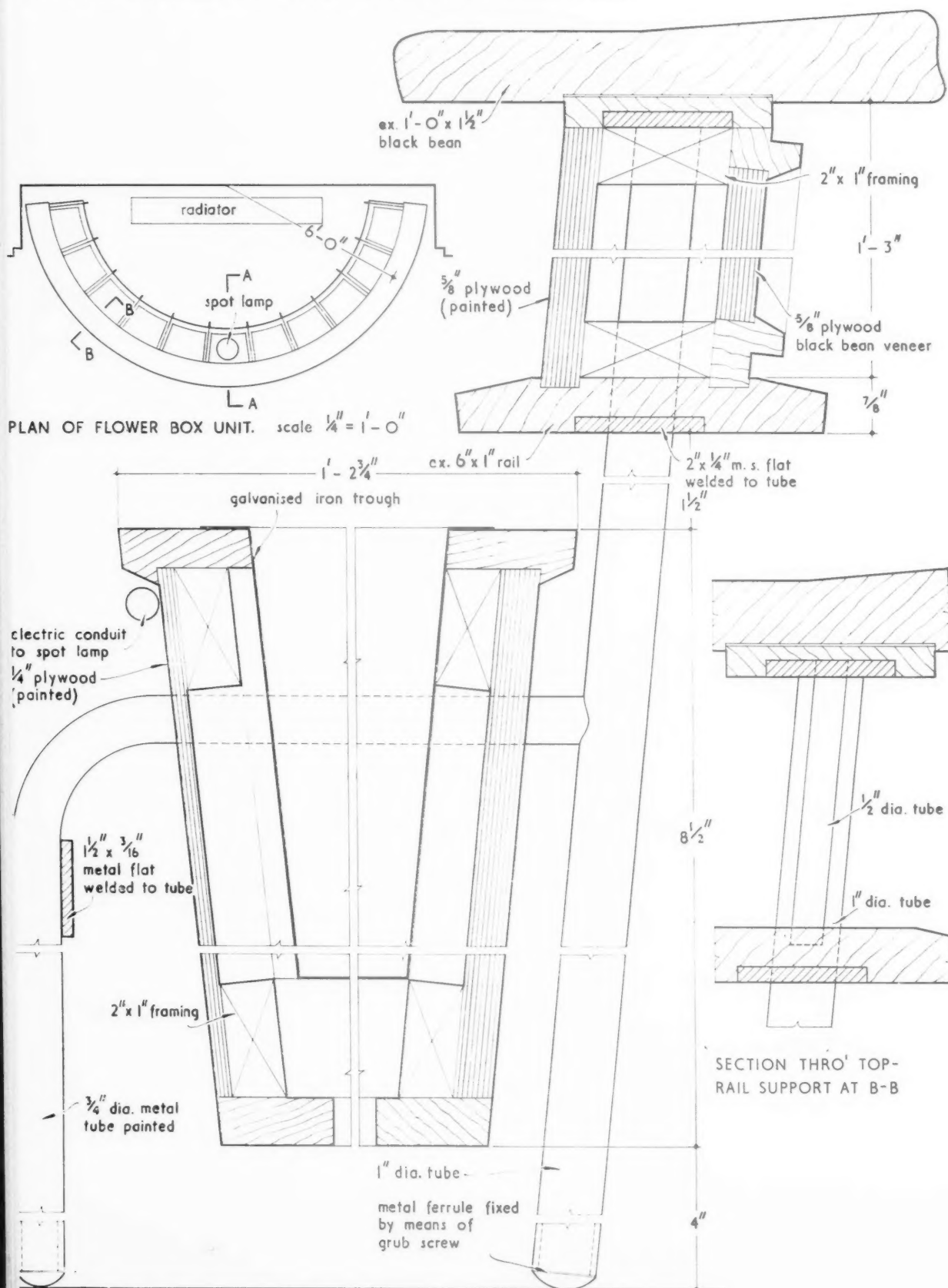
The semi-circular flower box is supported by a tubular metal frame; the wood carving in London plane at the top of the photograph is by Eric Peckett.

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VERTICAL SECTION THRO' FLOWER BOX UNIT AT A-A. scale 1/2 full size



## WORKING DETAIL

WINDOWS : 14

ROOF LIGHT : WHOLESALE GROCERY DEPÔT AT DORCHESTER

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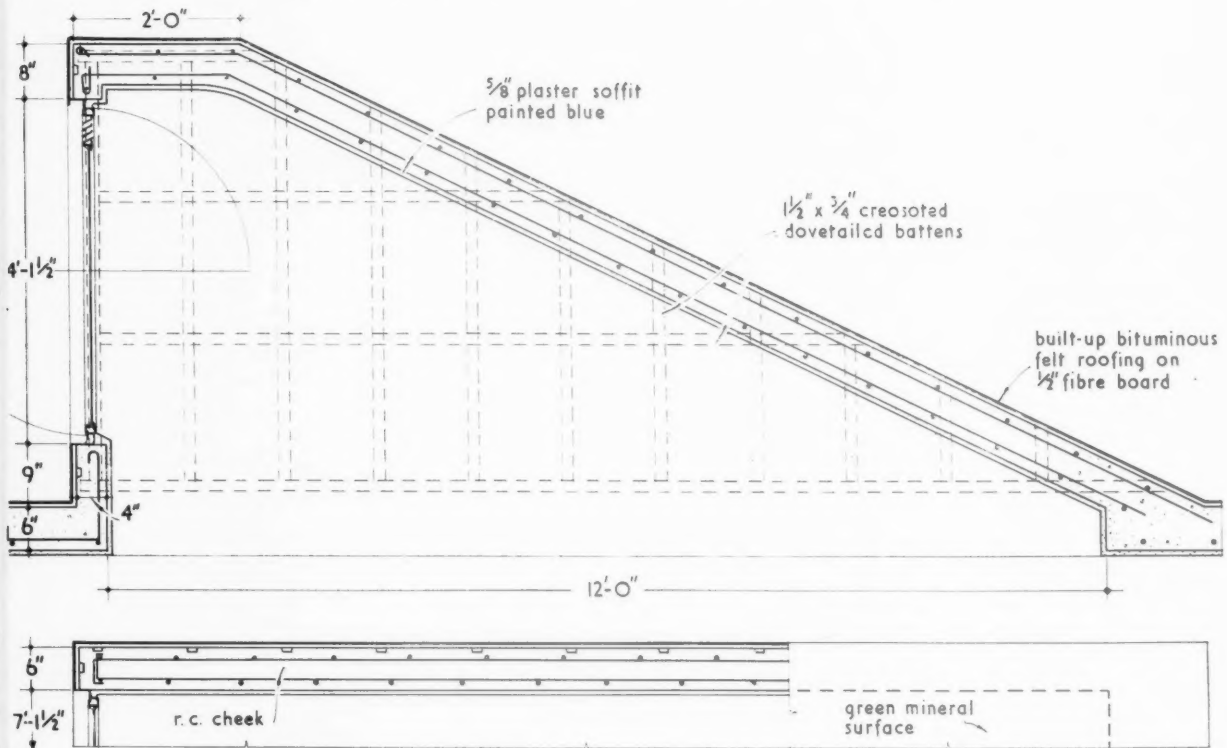


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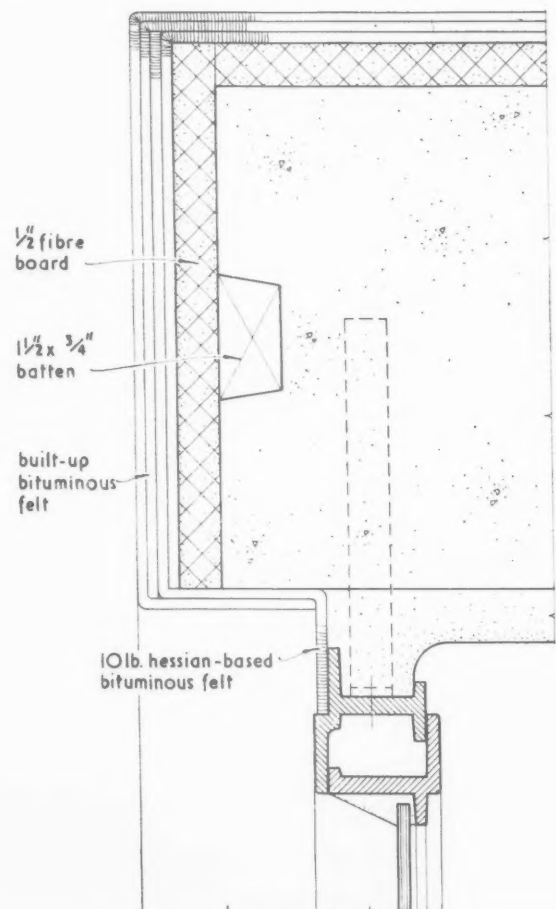
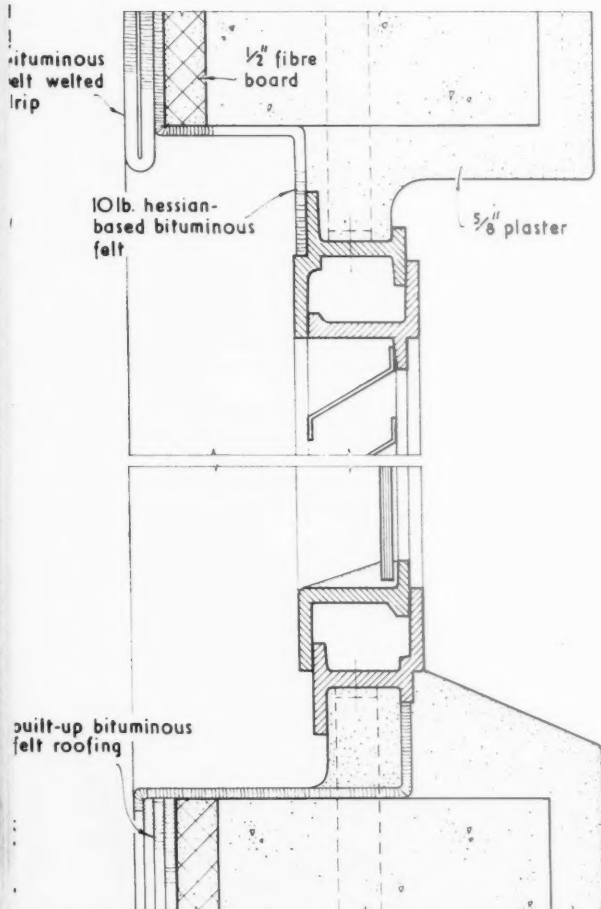
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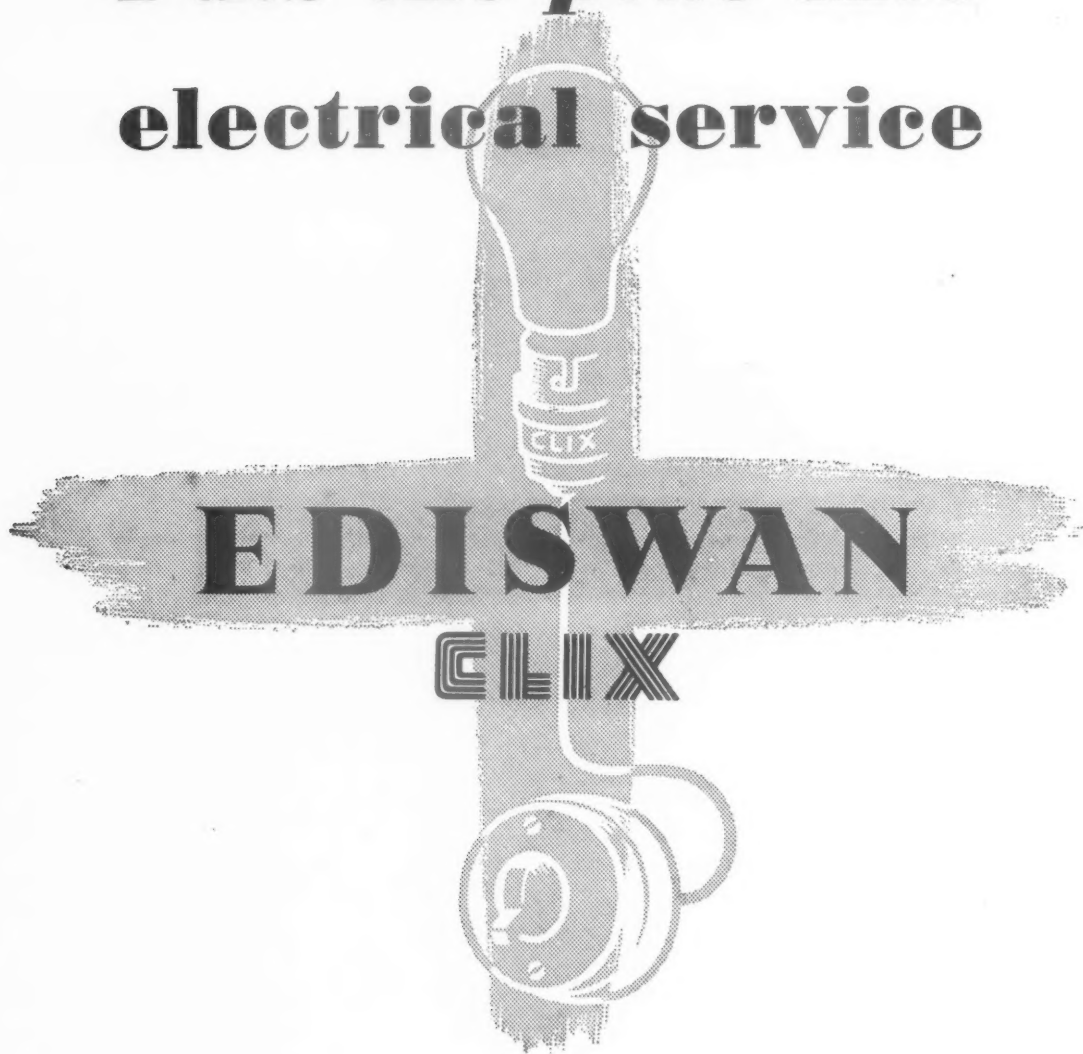
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## DRAINLAYER—(continued)

| Drains   |              | 3"    | 4"    | 6"    |
|--|--------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Clayware butt-jointed land drains and laying in trench   | per foot run | -/4½  | -/5   | -/9½  |
| "Seconds" quality glazed stoneware socketed drains and laying and jointing in trench                                     | per foot run | 4"    | 6"    | 9"    |
| "British Standard" quality ditto   | per foot run | 2/-½  | 2/10  | 4/9½  |
| Extra on "Seconds" quality for bends   | each         | 2/4½  | 3/5   | 5/10½ |
| Ditto "British Standard" quality ditto   | each         | 3/1   | 4/8½  | 13/4½ |
| Extra on "Seconds" quality for equal single junction   | each         | 3/11½ | 5/11  | 17/2  |
| Ditto "British Standard" quality ditto   | each         | 5/3   | 7/10  | 17/1  |
| Cast iron socketed drains to B.S. 437 and laying and jointing in trench  | per foot run | 7/9   | 9/8   | 21/5  |
| Extra for short radius bend (Fig. No. 4)   | each         | 10/5  | 15/11 | 31/2  |
| Extra for single junction (Fig. No. 18)  | each         | 20/9  | 39/4  | 116/- |
|  | each         | 37/10 | 73/10 | 218/9 |
| Fittings, etc.   |              |       | 4"    | 6"    |
| Glazed stoneware trapped gully with galvanized grating and outlet and setting in concrete                                | each         | 22/11 | 42/4  |       |
| Ditto with vertical inlet ditto  | each         | 28/4  | 47/10 |       |
| Cast iron trapped gully with high invert, grating, and 4" outlet and setting in concrete                                 | each         | 53/4  | —     |       |
| Ditto with vertical inlet ditto  | each         | 60/10 | —     |       |
| Glazed stoneware intercepting trap with inspection arm, stopper and chain and fixing in manhole and jointing to drain    | each         | 72/2  | 84/-  |       |
| Brown glazed stoneware half round straight channels and bedding and jointing in cement mortar                            | per foot run | 1/9½  | 2/8½  |       |
| Ditto ordinary channel bend and ditto  | each         | 5/4½  | 7/8   |       |
| Cast iron coated single seal manhole cover and frame to B.S. 497 Grade C and setting frame in cement and cover in grease | each         | 49/9  | 69/11 |       |
| Galvanized ditto   | each         | 83/4  | 121/9 |       |

## PAVING

|   |                |      |        |           |
|---|----------------|------|--------|-----------|
| Cement and sand (1:3) floated screed to receive pavings   | per yard super | 3/4½ | 1" 1½" | 4/8       |
| Ditto trowelled smooth to receive linoleum  | per yard super | 3/8½ | 4/5½   | 5/-       |
| Cement and sand (1:3) paving trowelled hard and smooth  | per yard super | 3/9  | 4/6    | 5/-½      |
| Granolithic paving (1:2½) laid on concrete  | per yard super | 6/2  | 7/-    | 7/10      |
| ½" Red composition paving to B.S. 776 laid on prepared screed   | per yard super |      |        | 16/-      |
| ½" Terrazzo paving (Portland cement and spar aggregate) laid on prepared screed                           | per yard super |      |        | 37/3      |
| Extra for white or cream cement   | per yard super |      |        | 5/3       |
| ½" Rubber flooring in all colours, laid on prepared screed  | per yard super |      |        | 51/-      |
| ½" x 12" x 12" Rubber tile flooring ditto   | per yard super |      |        | 41/6      |
| ½" x 12" x 12" Cork tile flooring (brown shades) laid in mastic on prepared screed, surfaced and polished | per yard super |      |        | 40/8      |
| 1½" Hard red paving bricks p.c. 404/6 per M. laid flat on prepared bed in cement mortar                   | per yard super |      |        | 21/9      |
| 1½" Ditto laid herringbone  | per yard super |      |        | 23/7      |
| 6" x 6" Red quarry tile paving to B.S. 1286 laid on prepared screed with straight joints                  | per yard super | 5"   | 7"     | 20/9 23/4 |
| 6" x 6" Buff quarry tiles as last   | per yard super |      |        | 23/4 26/3 |
| 2½" (Finished) Gravel path laid on prepared bed, well watered and rolled to cambers and falls             | per yard super |      |        | 2/4½      |

## MASON

|  |                |            |     |
|--|----------------|------------|-----|
| Portland stone and all labours in pilasters, quoins, jambs, lintols, etc.                            | per foot cube  | 37/10      |     |
| Ditto in arches, columns, cornices, etc.   | per foot cube  | 52/3       |     |
| Ashlar av. 6½" on bed with plain dressed face  | per foot super | 31/6       |     |
|  | Portland       | Artificial |     |
| Portland stone or artificial stone to B.S. 1217:—  |                |            |     |
| 4½" x 4" Sill, sunk, weathered, throated and grooved for water bar, set and jointed in cement mortar | per foot run   | 7/1        | 4/7 |

## MASON—(continued)

|  |              |               |                |
|--|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| 9" x 3" ditto  | per foot run | Port-land 8/5 | Artificial 6/4 |
| 2" x 12" Coping, weathered and twice throated, set and jointed as last | per foot run | 7/9           | 5/9            |
| 3" x 12" Ditto   | per foot run | 10/8          | 8/4            |
| 5" x 12" Saddle back coping twice throated, set and jointed as last    | per foot run | 18/-          | 12/11          |
| 6" x 12" Ditto   | per foot run | 19/7          | 15/11          |

## SLATER, TILER AND ROOFER

| Slate   |            | 20" x 10" 16" x 10" |              |
|---|------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Best Bangor slates to B.S. 680 laid with 3" lap, each slate nailed with two stout copper nails  | per square | 246/9               | 233/8        |
| Ditto hung vertically to dormer cheeks and gables   | per square | 256/3               | 246/9        |
| Tiles   |            | Hand made           | Machine made |
| Best sand faced plain (nibbed) tiles to B.S. 402, 10½" x 6½" laid to a 4" gauge with each tile in every fourth course nailed with galvanized nails      | per square | 174/-               | 164/-        |
| Ditto hung vertically to dormer cheeks and gables to 4½" gauge with each tile nailed with galvanized nails  | per square | 171/11              | 162/9        |
| Berkshire hand made sand faced red pantiles 14½" x 10" laid to 2½" head and 1½" side laps, each tile in every third course nailed with galvanized nails | per square |                     | 162/9        |
| Ditto to mansard slopes   | per square |                     | 171/8        |
| Bridgwater hand made Double Roman red sandfaced tiles 16½" x 14" laid to 3" laps, each tile in every course nailed with galvanized nails                | per square |                     | 131/3        |
| Concrete plain (nibbed) tiles to B.S. 473, 10½" x 6" laid as before described for plain tiles   | per square |                     | 102/8        |
| Ditto hung vertically to dormer cheeks, and gables, ditto   | per square |                     | 107/8        |
| Concrete interlocking tiles 15" x 9" laid to 3" lap, each tile in every third course nailed with galvanized nails                                       | per square |                     | 81/4         |
| Ditto to mansard slopes ditto   | per square |                     | 90/3         |

## Asbestos Cement

|   |            |      |
|---|------------|------|
| 6" Corrugated asbestos cement sheeting fixed to wood roofs with galvanized drive screws and washers with a side lap of 1½ corrugations and an end lap of 6" | per square | 87/2 |
| 6" Ditto but fixed vertically   | per square | 93/5 |
| Add to both last if fixed to steel purlins or sheeting rails with galvanized hook bolts   | per square | 3/5  |

## Felt

|   |                |             |
|---|----------------|-------------|
| Reinforced bituminous roofing felt laid with 3" laps and nailed to rafters at 18" centres with galvanized clout nails | per square     | 29/5        |
| One-ply bitumen felt to B.S. 989 laid on concrete. Each layer bedded in hot bitumen                                   | Two layer      | Three layer |
|   | per yard super | 8/8 11/6    |

## CARPENTER

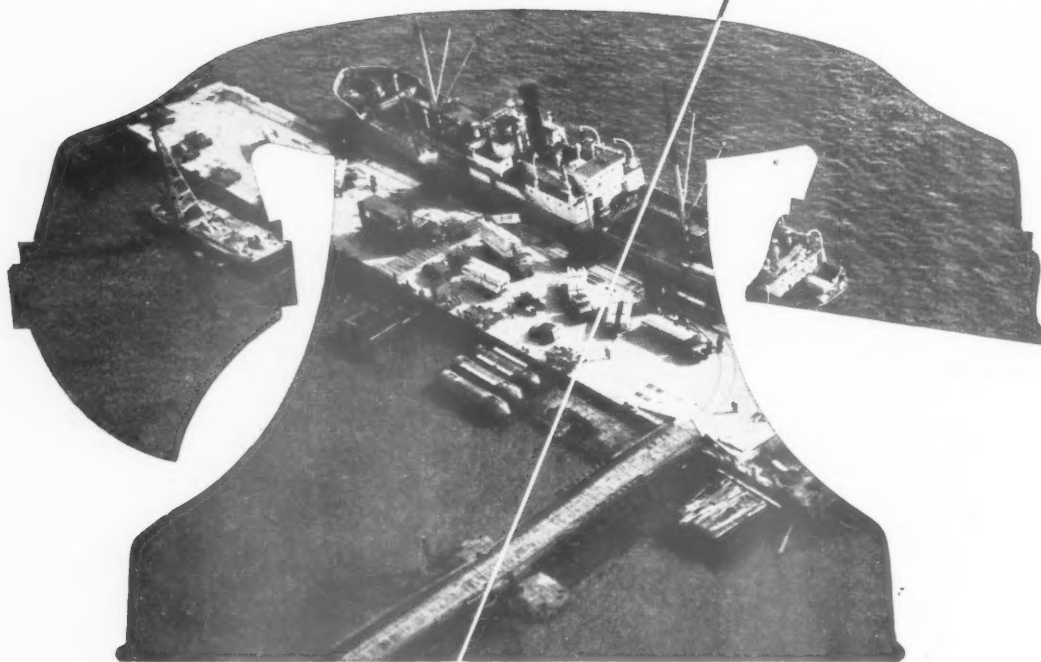
## Carcassing

|  |               |       |
|--|---------------|-------|
| Softwood, sawn and fixed, in plates, sleeper joists and lintols    | per foot cube | 15/1  |
| Ditto in floor and ceiling joists                                  | per foot cube | 16/10 |
| Ditto in stud partitions   | per foot cube | 18/5  |
| Ditto in rafters   | per foot cube | 18/4  |
| Ditto in purlins and struts  | per foot cube | 18/5  |
| Ditto and framing in ridge   | per foot cube | 18/3  |
| Ditto in hip and valley rafters including cutting rafters to sizes | per foot cube | 20/4  |

## Battening and Boarding

|  |            | Roof slopes | Vertical hanging |
|--|------------|-------------|------------------|
| ½" x 1½" Battens nailed to softwood for 20" x 10" slates to 8½" gauge              | per square | 29/11       | 31/6             |
| Ditto 16" x 10" slates to 6½" gauge  | per square | 37/10       | 39/11            |
| Ditto 10½" x 6" tiles to 4" gauge (4½" for vertical hanging)                       | per square | 60/4        | 57/9             |
|  |            | Roof Slopes | Mansards         |
| Ditto 14½" x 10" pantiles to 12" gauge   | per square | 21/-        | 21/6             |
| Ditto 15" x 9" concrete interlocking tiles to 12" gauge                            | per square | 21/-        | 21/6             |
| Roof boarding in batten widths close jointed and fixed to flat or sloping roofs    | per square | 110/8       | 138/3            |
| Ditto tongued and grooved and prepared for felt roofing including furring to falls | per square | 163/-       | 192/-            |

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## CARPENTER—(continued)

|  |                | Roof<br>Slopes | Mansards |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------|
| Sawn gang boarding fixed to joists in roof     | per foot super | 1/2½           | 1/6      |
| Wrot and cross-tongued eaves soffit            | per foot super | 1/11           | 2/3      |
| 6" Wrot and grooved eaves fascia<br>planted on | per foot run   | -1/10          | 1/-      |

## Wall and Ceiling Boards

|   |                | Verti-<br>cally | Soffites |
|---|----------------|-----------------|----------|
| ½" Fibre board to B.S. 1142 fixed with<br>galvanized flat headed nails to soft-<br>wood | per yard super | 5/9             | 5/10     |
| ½" Asbestos cement flat sheeting to<br>B.S. 690 fixed as last                           | per yard super | 5/10            | 6/2½     |
| ½" Ditto  | per yard super | 7/-             | 7/4½     |

## JOINER

Floors and Skirtings  
(All thicknesses stated are nominal)

|   |                | ¾"    | 1"    | 1½"   |
|---|----------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Plain edge softwood flooring in batten<br>widths nailed to floor joists   | per square     | 128/3 | 143/- | 172/- |
| Tongued and grooved ditto   | per square     | 137/- | 152/3 | 182/6 |
| 1" Double grooved and tongued and grooved wood block floor<br>laid herringbone with two-block border, set in hot mastic<br>composition on prepared screed and wax polished :- |                |       |       |       |
| Swedish softwood  | per yard super | 27/3  |       |       |
| European Beech  | per yard super | 35/2  |       |       |
| English Oak   | per yard super | 45/10 |       |       |
| European Oak  | per yard super | 41/-  |       |       |
| Burma Teak  | per yard super | 47/-  |       |       |
| Softwood skirtings with splayed or<br>molded top edge, planted on (per inch<br>sectional area)  | per foot run   | -2½   | -2½   |       |
| Extra for grounds plugged to brickwork  | per foot run   | -8    |       |       |

## Windows in Softwood

|   |                | 1½" | 2"   |
|---|----------------|-----|------|
| Rebated and molded softwood fanlights<br>and casement sashes divided into<br>squares for glass                | per foot super | 3/- | 3/4  |
| Extra for hanging   | each           | 6/7 | 6/7  |
| Cased frames with 6" x 3" Oak sill and 2"<br>molded double hung sashes including<br>pulleys, line and weights | per foot super | —   | 9/11 |

N.B.—The above prices are for purpose made joinery. Standard pattern casement windows and double hung sashes and frames to B.S. 644 are cheaper.

## Doors in Softwood

|  |                | 1½" | 1½"  | 2"   |
|--|----------------|-----|------|------|
| Framed ledged and braced doors<br>filled in with 1" T. & G. and V-<br>jointed boarding and hanging | per foot super | 6/2 | 6/11 | 6/11 |
| Four-panel door, square both sides<br>and hanging  | per foot super | 5/1 | 5/9  | 5/9  |
| Ditto molded one side  | per foot super | 5/8 | 6/4  | 6/4  |
| Ditto molded both sides  | per foot super | 6/2 | 6/11 | 6/11 |

N.B.—The above prices are for purpose made doors. Standard panelled doors to B.S. 459 are cheaper.

|   |      |       |  |  |
|---|------|-------|--|--|
| 1½" Standard flush doors 2' 6" x 6' 6" internal pattern | each | 115/6 |  |  |
| 2" Ditto external pattern                               | each | 123/9 |  |  |

## Linings, Frames, etc., in Softwood

|  |              | Sectional area<br>Up to 6" 6" to 12" |
|--|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| Window and door linings etc. (per inch<br>in sectional area)                         | per foot run | -4 -3½                               |
| Frames wrot all round and framed<br>(ditto)  | per foot run | -3½ -3                               |
| Mullions, transoms and cills (ditto)   | per foot run | -3½ -3½                              |
| Moldings, architraves, etc. (ditto)  | per foot run | -3½ -3½                              |
| 6" Window boards with rounded nos-<br>ings, tongued at back and including<br>bearers | per foot run | 3/1 3/4                              |
| 9" Ditto   | per foot run | 3/5 3/9                              |

## Shelving and Fittings in Softwood

|  |                | ¾"  | 1"   |
|--|----------------|-----|------|
| Shelving of 2" slats spaced 1" apart on<br>bearers (measured separately) | per foot super | 2/8 | 2/11 |
| Shelving on ditto  | per foot super | 2/5 | 3/-  |
| Crosstongued shelving on ditto   | per foot super | 3/- | 3/6½ |
| Shelving 9" wide on ditto  | per foot run   | 1/8 | 2/1  |
| 2" Shelf bearers plugged to walls  | per foot run   | 1/- | 1/1½ |
| The following in framed up cupboard fittings :-                          |                |     |      |
| T. & G. & V-jointed back   | per foot super | 2/1 | 2/5  |
| Crosstongued top, bottom shelf or<br>division                            | per foot super | 3/1 | 3/7½ |
| 1½" Flush cupboard doors   | per foot super | 7/1 |      |
| Labour rebate or groove  | per foot run   | -3  |      |

## JOINER—(continued)

|                            |              |     |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----|
| Labour cross-grain         | per foot run | -4½ |
| 1" x 2" Bearers screwed on | per foot run | -6  |

N.B.—The above prices are for purpose-made cupboard fittings. Standard pattern kitchen fittings to B.S. 1195 are cheaper.

## IRONMONGERY

|  |          | Soft-<br>wood | Hard-<br>wood |
|--|----------|---------------|---------------|
| 3" Steel butts (medium quality)  | per pair | 1/5           | 1/5           |
| 4" Ditto (ditto)   | per pair | 2/3½          | 2/3½          |
| Double action floor springs and top centres<br>including filling boxes with oil P.C. 149/3 | each     | 180/9         | 186/3         |
| Overhead check action door springs. P.C. 66/8  | each     | 83/8          | 87/1          |
| 6" Barrel bolts. P.C. 5/6  | each     | 7/6           | 8/-           |
| Cupboard locks. P.C. 8/2   | each     | 12/1          | 13/1          |
| Norfolk latches. P.C. 5/6  | each     | 10/2          | 11/7          |
| Cylinder night latch. P.C. 15/11   | each     | 22/8          | 24/5          |
| Mortice latch. P.C. 9/4  | each     | 14/5          | 15/9          |
| Rim lock. P.C. 10/-  | each     | 14/1          | 15/2          |
| Mortice lock. P.C. 15/2  | each     | 21/10         | 23/7          |
| Door furniture. P.C. 24/-  | per set  | 27/5          | 27/9          |
| Sash fasteners. P.C. 9/-   | each     | 11/7          | 12/1          |
| Casement fasteners. P.C. 7/11  | each     | 10/-          | 10/4          |
| Casement stays. P.C. 11/6  | each     | 13/11         | 14/4          |

## STEEL AND IRONWORKER

## Structural Steelwork

The following prices are for Basic sections (5" x 4½" to 16" x 6") only. Prices for other sections vary roughly in proportion to the price of the steel ex mills—see "Current Market Prices of Materials."

|   |         | £  | s. | d. |
|---|---------|----|----|----|
| R.S.J.—in steel framed structures hoisted and fixed<br>complete                     | per ton | 59 | 6  | 6  |
| Riveted compound girders including plates and<br>rivets                             | per ton | 63 | 15 | 9  |
| R.S. Stanchions including caps, bases, cleats, etc.                                 | per ton | 65 | 7  | 3  |
| Riveted compound stanchions ditto   | per ton | 67 | 14 | 6  |
| Riveted roof trusses with flat and angle members,<br>plates, cleats, etc., 30' span | per ton | 92 | 18 | 6  |
| Ditto 40' span  | per ton | 90 | 16 | 6  |

## Sundries

|  |          |    |   |   |
|--|----------|----|---|---|
| Simple wrot iron balustrades fixed complete<br>(excluding mortices etc.) | per cwt. | 11 | 7 | 0 |
| Bolts with heads, nuts and washers and fixing                            | per cwt. | 11 | 3 | 0 |

## PLASTERER AND TILE FIXER

|  |                |     |
|--|----------------|-----|
| 24 gauge expanded metal lathing and fixing to<br>softwood soffites | per yard super | 6/2 |
|--|----------------|-----|

## Lime and Gypsum Plaster

|   |                | Lime | Sirapite |
|---|----------------|------|----------|
| Three coat lime and two coat Sirapite or<br>similar Gypsum plaster :-   |                |      |          |
| On brick walls and partitions   | per yard super | 5/9½ | 4/6      |
| On concrete soffites including hacking  | per yard super | 6/11 | 6/4½     |
| On soffite of E.M.L. (measured separ-<br>ately)   | per yard super | 5/11 | 7/-      |
| On and including wood laths, to soffites  | per yard super | 11/8 | —        |
| ½" Gypsum plasterboard fixed to softwood<br>soffites, in accordance with manufacturer's<br>instructions, scrimmed and finished with<br>setting coat of suitable plaster | per yard super | 7/4  |          |
| Plaster moulded cornice or cove (per inch in<br>girth)  | per foot run   | -4½  |          |

## Cement Rendering

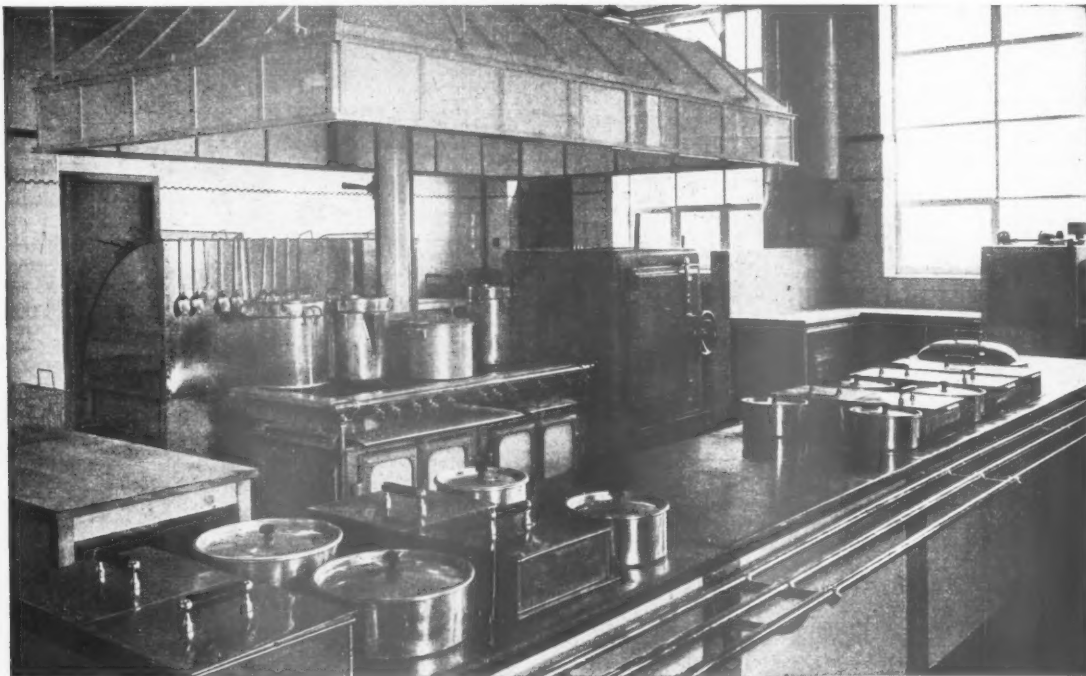
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|--|----------------|-----|
| Rendering in Portland cement and sand (1:4)<br>and setting in Keenes cement on brick walls<br>and partitions | per yard super | 5/7 |
| Portland cement and sand (1:3) plain face<br>trowelled smooth on ditto                                       | per yard super | 5/1 |
| Portland cement and sand (1:3) screed for<br>tiling on ditto   | per yard super | 2/9 |

## Wall Tiler

|   |                |      |
|---|----------------|------|
| 6" x 6" x ¾" Standard quality white glazed<br>wall tiles set and jointed on prepared screed | per yard super | 36/9 |
| Ditto eggshell matt or glossy glazed enamelled  | per yard super | 46/6 |

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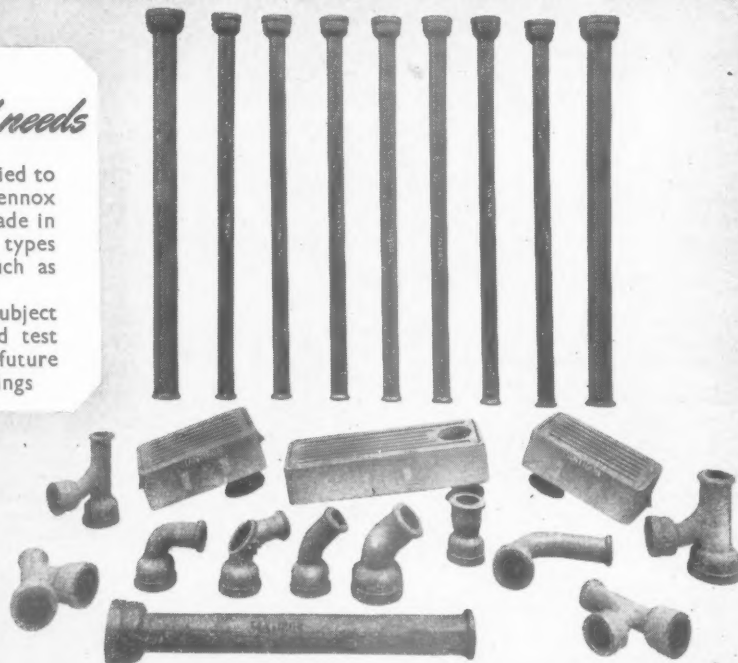
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|                                   |                | Flats | Gutters, Stepped flash-ings, etc. | flash-ings |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------|-----------------------------------|------------|
| 24 S.W.G. sheet copper and labour | per foot super | 5/9   | 6/1                               | 6/4        |
| 23 S.W.G. sheet copper and labour | per foot super | 6/4   | 6/7                               | 6/10       |
| 14 gauge zinc and labour          | per foot super | 3/8   | 3/11                              | 4/3        |

**Rainwater Pipes and Gutters**

|  |              | 3"              | 4"              |
|--|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Cast iron medium section ( $\frac{3}{8}$ " metal) R.W. pipes and jointing and fixing to walls with pipe nails and distance pieces or holderbats (cutting and pinning holderbats measured separately) | per foot run | 4/8             | 5/8             |
| Pressed steel R.W. pipes and ditto   | per foot run | 3/11            | 3/3             |
| Asbestos cement R.W. pipes and ditto   | per foot run | 2/10            | —               |
| Cast iron half round eaves gutter and jointed and fixed with brackets to fascia  | per foot run | $\frac{1}{2}$ " | $\frac{3}{8}$ " |
| Ditto O.G. ditto   | per foot run | 2/11            | 3/9             |
| 18 Gauge pressed steel half round ditto  | per foot run | 2/8             | 3/8             |
| Ditto O.G. ditto   | per foot run | 3/2½            | 4/4½            |
| Asbestos cement half round ditto   | per foot run | 2/3             | 3/8             |

**Soil and Ventilating Pipes**

|   |              | 3"   | 4"    |
|---|--------------|------|-------|
| Lead soil, waste and ventilating pipes (17 lb. per yard for 3" and 22.8 lb. per yard for 4" diameter) fixed to walls with lead tacks and brass screws | per foot run | 12/9 | 17/10 |
| Medium or heavy section cast iron soil, waste and ventilating pipes with caulked joints, fixed to walls, with pipe nails and distance pieces          | per foot run | 4/10 | 6/2   |

**INTERNAL PLUMBER****Lead Pipes**

Prices are based upon the following weights per yard.

|   |              | $\frac{1}{2}$ " | $\frac{3}{4}$ " | 1"    | 1½"  |
|---|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|------|
| Supply  |              | 7               | 11              | 16    | 21   |
| Distributing                                  |              | 6               | 9               | 12.5  | 16   |
| Flushing and overflow                         |              | 3               | 5               | 7     | 9    |
| Waste and ventilating                         |              | —               | —               | —     | 7    |
| Supply pipe in trench (measured separately)   | per foot run | 4/5             | 7/-             | 11/-  | 13/1 |
| Ditto fixed to walls and ceilings             | per foot run | 4/10            | 7/7             | 10/8  | 14/3 |
| Distributing pipe fixed to walls and ceilings | per foot run | 4/4             | 6/4             | 8/8   | 11/4 |
| Flushing and overflow pipe ditto              | per foot run | 2/9             | 4/2             | 5/7   | 7/4  |
| Waste and ventilating pipe ditto              | per foot run | —               | —               | —     | 6/4  |
| Joints to fittings                            | each         | 5/1             | 6/3             | 6/7   | 7/4  |
| Bends   | each         | 5/9½            | 1/-½            | 1/4   | 1/9  |
| Branch joints                                 | each         | 6/3½            | 7/5             | 7/10½ | 9/2  |

**Steel Tubes and Fittings**

|   |              |      |      |      |      |
|---|--------------|------|------|------|------|
| Galvanized steel tubes to B.S. 1387 Class C with screwed joints in red lead as supply pipe laid in trench (measured separately) | per foot run | 2/-  | 2/4  | 2/6  | 4/2  |
| Ditto Class B ditto fixed to walls and ceilings as supply, distributing, waste pipe, etc.                                       | per foot run | 1/10 | 2/4  | 2/5½ | 3/2  |
| Joints to fittings  | each         | 3/8½ | 4/3½ | 5/3  | 6/3½ |
| Bends   | each         | 2/-  | 2/5  | 3/2  | 4/7  |
| Tee, equal or reducing  | each         | 2/1  | 2/4  | 3/-  | 3/10 |

**Copper Tubes and Fittings**

Prices are based upon the following gauges:—

|   |              | $\frac{1}{8}$ " | $\frac{3}{16}$ " | 1"  | 1½" |
|---|--------------|-----------------|------------------|-----|-----|
| Supply  |              | 18              | 17               | 16  | 16  |
| Distributing, waste, etc.   |              | 19              | 19               | 18  | 18  |
| Copper tubes to B.S. 1386, as supply pipe laid in trench (couplings and trench measured separately)             | per foot run | 2/-             | 2/11             | 4/2 | 6/1 |
| Ditto to B.S. 659 as distributing, waste pipes, etc. fixed to walls and ceilings. Couplings measured separately | per foot run | 1/9½            | 2/7              | 3/8 | 4/5 |

**INTERNAL PLUMBER—(continued)**

|   |      | $\frac{1}{8}$ " | $\frac{3}{16}$ " | 1"    | 1½"   |
|---|------|-----------------|------------------|-------|-------|
| Brass compression type couplings—copper to copper | each | 4/10            | 5/10             | 8/-   | 10/3  |
| Ditto bends                                       | each | 6/6             | 7/8½             | 11/-  | 13/11 |
| Ditto tees  | each | 8/5             | 9/7              | 14/11 | 21/3  |

**Sanitary Fittings**

|   |      |         |        |
|---|------|---------|--------|
| Fireclay sinks 24" x 18" x 10" including cutting and pinning brackets to tiled wall. P.C. 75/-  | each | £ s. d. | 4 15 4 |
| Combined metal sink and drainer 42" x 18" x 8½" to bearers (measured separately). P.C. 330/-  | each | 18 11 0 |        |
| Fireclay lavatory basin 25" x 18" with taps and towel rail bracket including screwing brackets to tiled wall. P.C. 138/6                                    | each | 8 3 10  |        |
| Rectangular cast iron porcelain enamelled bath 5' 6" long, with taps, and panels to side and one end fixed to framing (measured separately) P.C. 390/6      | each | 23 7 3  |        |
| Fireclay w.c. pan with trap, plastic seat, high level cistern and flush pipe, including screwing pan to floor and cistern brackets to backboard. P.C. 200/- | each | 12 10 0 |        |
| Ditto with low level cistern. P.C. 240/-  | each | 14 15 0 |        |

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| 24 oz. Ditto and ditto   | per foot super | 1/-     | 1/1½     |
| 32 oz. Ditto and ditto   | per foot super | 1/5     | 1/6½     |
| $\frac{1}{8}$ " Figured, rolled, and cathedral—untinted and ditto                              | per foot super | 1/2     | 1/3½     |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ " Rough cast and ditto   | per foot super | 1/4½    | 1/6      |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ " Wired cast and ditto   | per foot super | 1/6     | 1/7½     |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ " Georgian wired cast and ditto  | per foot super | 1/6½    | 1/8      |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ " Georgian wired polished plate and ditto  | per foot super | 5/6     | 5/7½     |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ " Polished plate (glazing quality) and ditto                                     | per foot super | 5/3     | 5/5      |

**PAINTER****Whitening, Distemper and Paint on Walls**

|   |                |      |
|---|----------------|------|
| Prepare and twice whiten plastered walls and ceilings                               | per yard super | 1/1  |
| Prepare and twice distemper with washable distemper on plastered walls and ceilings | per yard super | 1/8½ |
| Ditto on brick or concrete  | per yard super | 2/3  |
| Prepare, prime, and paint two coats oil colour on plastered walls and ceilings      | per yard super | 4/8½ |

**Paint on Metal**

|   |                | Basic price | Add for each additional coat |
|---|----------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Prepare, prime, and paint one coat oil colour on general surfaces | per yard super | 3/1         | 1/5                          |
| Ditto metal casements   | per yard super | 4/7         | 2/-                          |
| Ditto members of roof trusses                                     | per yard super | 3/10        | 1/8½                         |
| Ditto balustrades one side  | per yard super | 4/7         | 2/-                          |
| Ditto bars, etc., not exceeding 6" girth                          | per yard run   | -/9         | -/4                          |
| Ditto small pipe  | per yard run   | -/9         | -/4                          |
| Ditto large pipe  | per yard run   | 1/6         | -/8                          |

**Paint on Wood**

|   |                | Basic price | Add for each additional coat |
|---|----------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Knot, prime, stop and paint one coat oil colour on general surfaces of woodwork | per yard super | 3/5         | 1/5                          |
| Ditto on skirtings, rails, frames, etc., not exceeding 3" girth                 | per yard run   | -/5         | -/2                          |
| Ditto ditto for each additional 3" in girth                                     | per yard run   | -/4½        | -/2                          |
| Ditto on sash squares one side  | per dozen      | 4/4         | 1/9                          |
| Ditto on large sash squares one side  | per dozen      | 7/9         | 3/1                          |

**Stain and Varnish on Wood**

|  |                |      |
|--|----------------|------|
| Prepare, size, stain and twice varnish on general surfaces of woodwork | per yard super | 3/7  |
| Ditto on skirtings, rails, frames, etc. not exceeding 3" girth         | per yard run   | -/5½ |
| Ditto ditto for each additional 3" in girth                            | per yard run   | -/5  |

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## ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

*In his article this month Professor Bowen elaborates on the editorial comment made last week on the sample analysis of the 1951 Census. This article will be continued in the Journal for August 28.*

Results of the 1951 Census are being made available to the public with commendable speed. This has been made possible by the use of a "sampling" technique, and two weeks ago tables based on a one-per-cent. sample were issued by HMSO. This is the first time that such a sample has been used and, furthermore, it is the first time that the registry offices of England and Scotland have presented their information together. Figures for Great Britain are, therefore, readily seen without making wearisome calculations. However, since the information is based on a sample, not all the tables can be analyzed into reliable regional totals.

### APPARENT NET INCREASE IN DWELLINGS

Of special interest to architects is the information on housing. It would appear from the figures that the number of occupied "structurally separate dwellings" (i.e., houses, flats or apartments that are self-contained) has increased since 1931 by 3,041,000. But in the same twenty years the number of separate households has also increased by over 3 million (3,076,000 is the estimate). Hence, the net increase in dwellings has apparently just failed to keep pace with the net increase in households seeking separate accommodation. (This statement has to be qualified owing to the difficulties of defining consistently the word "household," although the definition used was amended and improved between the two census years). Moreover, during the twenty-year period nearly four million new dwellings were built and conversions and adaptations account for at least another 300,000. It follows, therefore, that demolition and obsolescence of dwellings must have reduced the nation's accommodation by at least one million dwellings, or possibly 1½ million, if the estimate for conversions is too low.

The Census thus confirms indirectly the guesses currently being made on the large numbers of houses going out of use as a result of demolition or neglect. An up-to-date annual record of this figure ought perhaps to be kept by local authorities and could, in fact, be compiled without undue expense; complete surveys like the Census can only be repeated at fairly long intervals.

### STANDARDS OF HOUSING DENSITIES

The number of families per 1,000 population has, as is well known, tended to increase faster than the population itself. The average size of household has, in fact, dropped, partly as a result of the fall in the birthrate in the 1930's, below its previous levels. Thus, although the number of dwelling units (separate dwellings) has hardly kept up with the number of households needing dwellings, the demand for housing, measured in terms of rooms per person, has been eased. Averages can be misleading, but it is worth noting that occupants

per room in England and Wales were reduced from 0.83 to 0.73, and in Scotland from 1.27 to 1.04, between the Census dates. This reduction was due, broadly, to a very great increase in the number of small households with a low density of occupation, to a reduction in the number of larger households with higher densities, and to a marked decrease, especially in Scotland, in the number of houses with one or two rooms.

Densities vary enormously according to the size of the household. A table (for England and Wales) for both Census years shows this clearly:

| HOUSING DENSITY : PERSONS PER ROOM |                |      |                         |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------|-------------------------|
| Number of persons in household     | All households |      | Households sharing 1951 |
|                                    | 1931           | 1951 |                         |
| 1                                  | 0.33           | 0.30 | 0.48                    |
| 2                                  | 0.48           | 0.49 | 0.75                    |
| 3                                  | 0.67           | 0.69 | 1.03                    |
| 4                                  | 0.85           | 0.87 | 1.23                    |
| 5                                  | 1.03           | 1.03 | 1.37                    |
| 6/7                                | 1.27           | 1.24 | 1.48                    |
| 8 or more                          | 1.60           | 1.68 | 1.93                    |
| All sizes                          | 0.83           | 0.73 | 0.91                    |

Thus, the average decline in density was not due to any substantial improvement for "families," i.e., households of two or more persons, since for these, except the 6/7 group, the density deteriorated or remained the same. The only group which improved was the one-person household, and this has affected the average substantially because one-person households have increased enormously. These "households," i.e., individuals living alone, more than doubled in number. They now comprise about 11 per cent. of all households.

### HOUSING NEED AND HOUSING DEMAND

The census figures provide no direct information on housing need, and, of course, no information at all, direct or indirect, on the effective economic demand for houses. But some deductions may be made from the figures as to the continuing social requirements of the country. The numbers of households sharing accommodation has risen slightly, and is now roughly 2 million. It may be assumed, therefore, that half the 2,079,000 households sharing a dwelling would, on a reasonable standard of accommodation, require dwellings on their own. Among this million households will be a fair proportion (about 4 per cent.) of definitely overcrowded cases, although overcrowding (as measured by the standard of 2 persons per room) has been substantially reduced since 1931. In addition, there may still be a number of "concealed households," especially of single persons (as is suggested by the unusual rise in such households with separate dwellings). Judging by the average figures, it would almost seem that the single person is perhaps being at once too little and too lavishly provided for; on the one hand, very few new dwellings are being built specially for single persons and the number of such persons still far exceeds the total both of new and old dwellings available for them, but, on the other hand, those single persons who have accommodation alone have, on the average, an excessive number of rooms compared with the unfortunate larger families. Single persons living alone have, on the average, about three rooms each.

An even more urgent housing need is that of larger families. The difficulties of meeting this need are great, since the problem is partly economic. Moreover, there are comparatively few large families and local authorities find it difficult to assess the precise number requiring accommodation.

Housing needs vary in different parts of the country. Overcrowding is far worse in Scotland than in England and Wales and so

is housing density generally. Similarly, the northern regions of England are much worse off than the rest of the country. Of course, the sample census measures housing need as it now exists, i.e., densities as they are at a given moment, whereas the population is continually shifting. There may, therefore, be pockets of housing need in rapidly growing areas of the country, like Bristol or the Midlands, not yet clearly reflected by these or any other estimates. Often the head of a household has moved, but has not yet found accommodation for his family.

The sample census amply confirms that there is still a very urgent need for more houses. If this is ever to be satisfied, at least ten years' intensive housebuilding will be required and, after that, the rate of building would still need to be sufficient to cope with a high rate of obsolescence.

The sample census also brings out the disparities in the housing standards of different sizes of family. Unless more careful attention is paid to reducing these disparities, housing expenditure will greatly exceed what is really necessary to attain any given objective. The problem is to provide dwelling units suited to the needs of various types of family, and to cater for changes in the sizes of families as they grow and diminish in the course of time. This can only be done if families can be persuaded to move, or if dwellings can be designed so that their number of rooms can be increased or diminished by structural alterations that are not prohibitively expensive. Families will only move voluntarily if the move is made attractive to them. This would be possible as a consequence of a suitable rent policy combined with careful planning. An old couple will leave their over-large house when the children have grown up on certain conditions: for instance, that more suitable accommodation is available (in the same neighbourhood, usually) and that the cost in rent and maintenance is lower than their existing costs. The same conditions apply to other changes in residence.

The sample census does not give all the data necessary for the next steps in policy to be taken, but it makes only too plain the amount still to be done and the unnecessary excess of provision of some kinds of accommodation that has been made despite the shortage of others.

### HOUSEHOLD ARRANGEMENTS

Perhaps the most striking facts of all those published have been the statistics of water supply, cooking facilities and sanitary arrangements. The highest "deficiency percentage" relates to dwellings with no fixed bath (or sharing a fixed bath); this is 45 per cent. for Great Britain as a whole, with 37½ per cent. having no fixed bath at all. The public imagination has been struck by this figure, but it is not surprisingly high compared with the corresponding figures for the USA or France. Nevertheless, it brings home a different and most important aspect of housing need—the appalling disparity between the standard of accommodation accepted perforce by dwellers in the old industrial housing areas and the standards of the last twenty years.

Twenty-three per cent. of dwellings have no water closet, or the occupants have to share one, and 17 per cent. have no piped water or share the supply. Thirteen per cent. have no sinks or the occupants share one.

These are high figures, but not so alarming that they should lead to despair. The expenditure needed to remedy these deficiencies, apart from the fixed bath, would not be so high as to put temporary measures of relief out of the question. No doubt, when policy comes to be formulated, more attention will be paid to the preservation and improvement of existing property than has evidently been paid for many decades.

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Fabrics Showroom for Henry Marchington & Sons Ltd., at 27, Mount Street, W.1. (Pages 132-133.) Architect: Alan S. Buckley, A.R.I.B.A.; General contractors: J. Burkle & Sons; Sub-contractors: furniture: Ernest Race Ltd.

Research Laboratories & Offices in Lead-works Lane, Chester, for Associated Lead Manufacturers Ltd. (Pages 136-138.) Architect: Robertson R. Young, A.R.I.B.A. Quantity surveyors: Todd & Ledson, F./A.R.I.C.S. General contractor: Richard Costain & Sons (Liverpool) Ltd. Clerk of works: J. W. McKenna. General foreman: A. Duncan. Sub-contractors: reinforced concrete, Trussed Concrete Steel Co. Ltd.; bricks, Blockleys Ltd.; structural steel, Redpath Brown & Co. Ltd.; dampcourses, special roofing, William Briggs & Sons Ltd.; glass, Pilkington Brothers Ltd.; patent flooring, Korkoid Ltd., Magnesite Terrazzo & Mosaic Co. Ltd.; extract ventilators, central heating, Z. D. Berry & Sons, Ltd.; gas-fittings, North Western Gas Board, Chester Undertaking; electric wiring, Thomas Wood & Son (Chester) Ltd.; electric light fixtures, General Electric Co. Ltd. and Benjamin Electric; plumbing, James Stott & Sons; sanitary fittings, Rogers & Jackson Ltd.; door furniture, Quiggin Bros. Ltd.; case-ments, Williams & Watson Ltd.; sunblinds, London Blinds; plaster, A. R. Ball & Co. Ltd.; tiling, Carter & Co. Ltd.; shrubs and trees, Bees Ltd.; laboratory fittings, North of England School Furnishing Co. Ltd.

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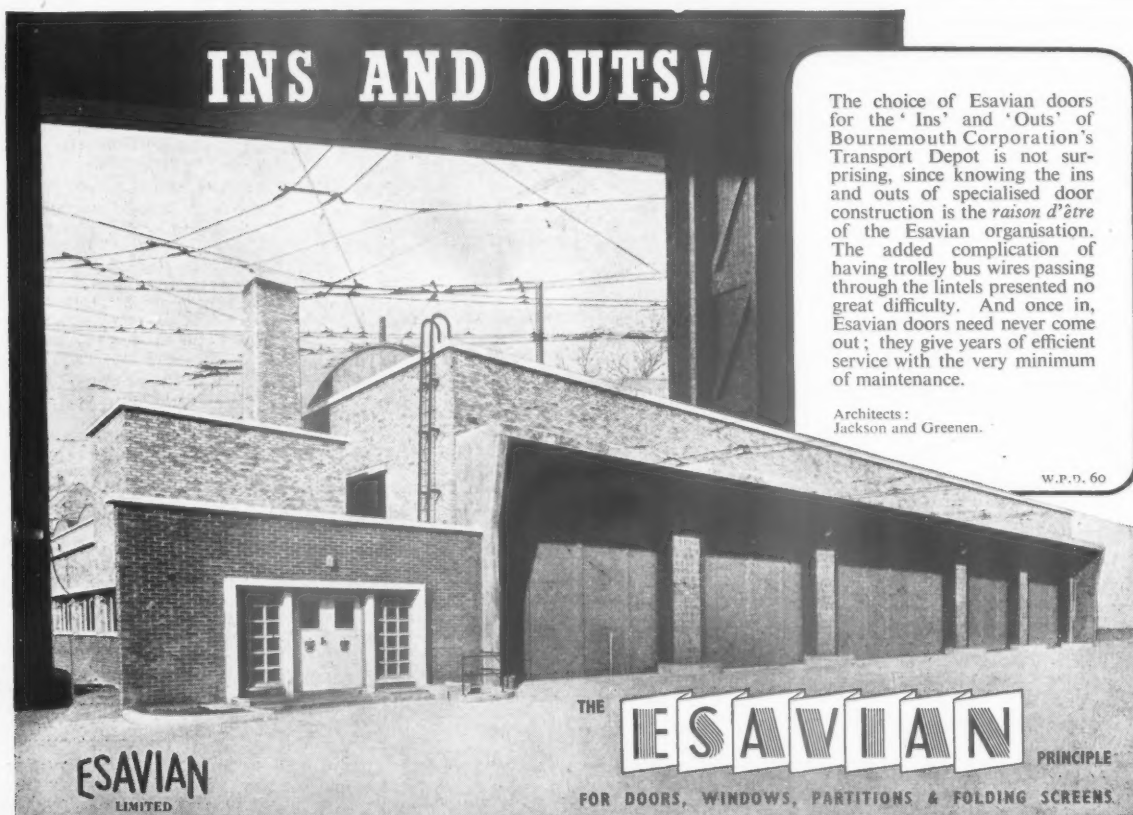
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## Correction

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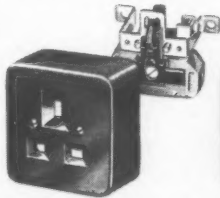
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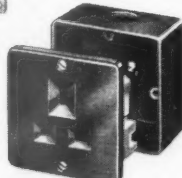
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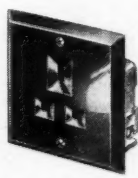
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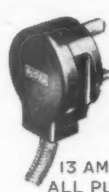


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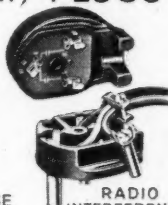
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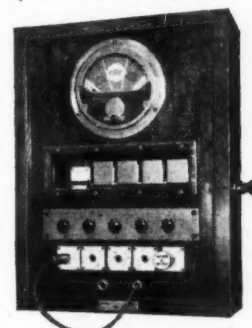
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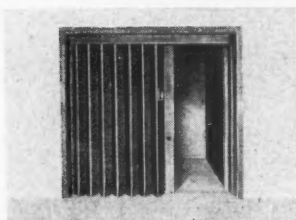
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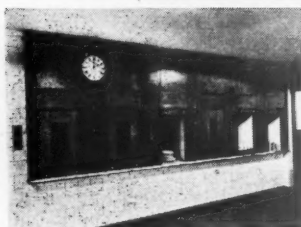
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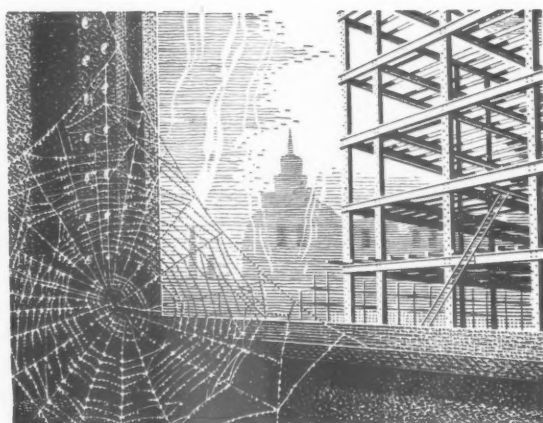
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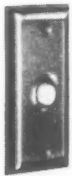
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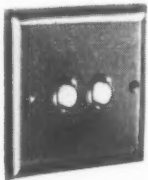
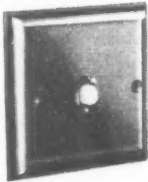
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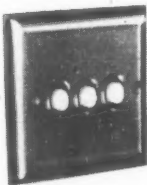
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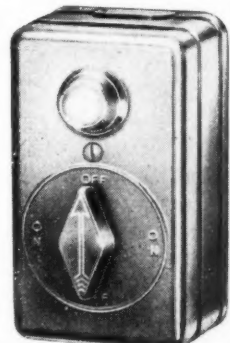
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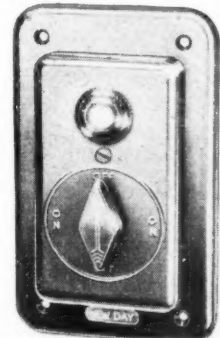
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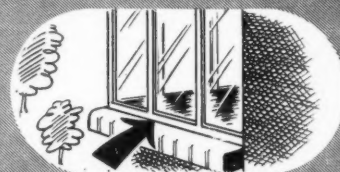
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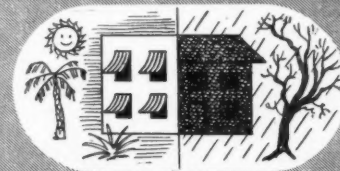
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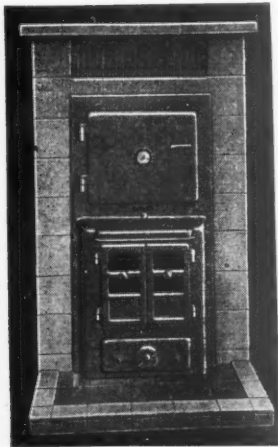
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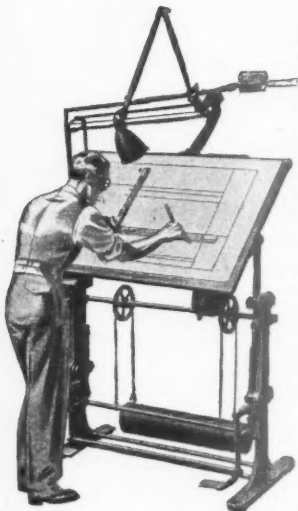
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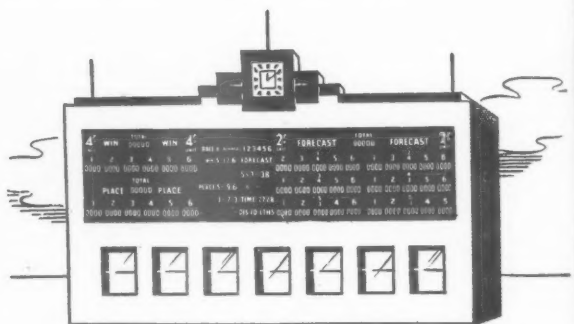
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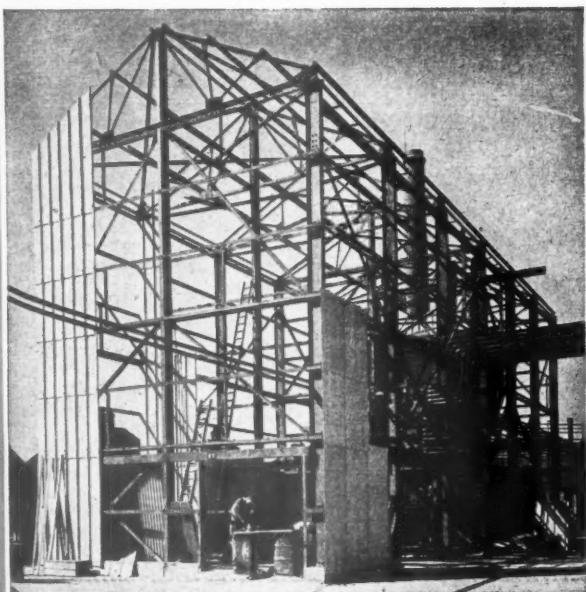
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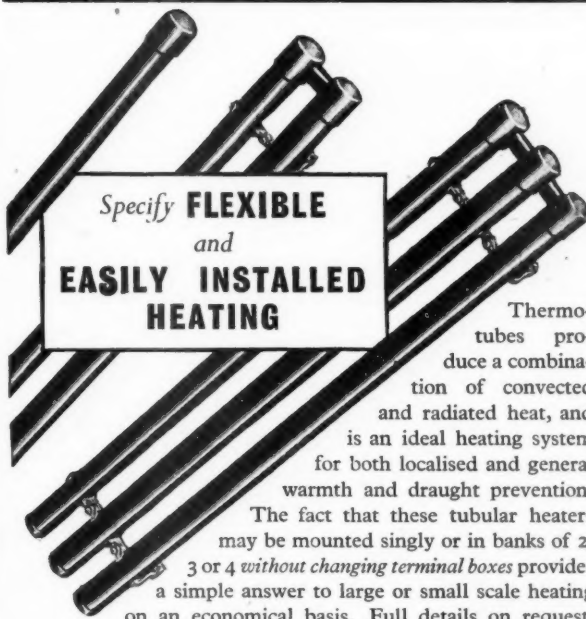
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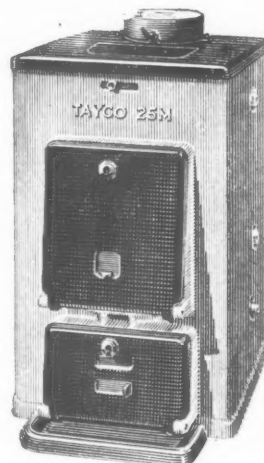
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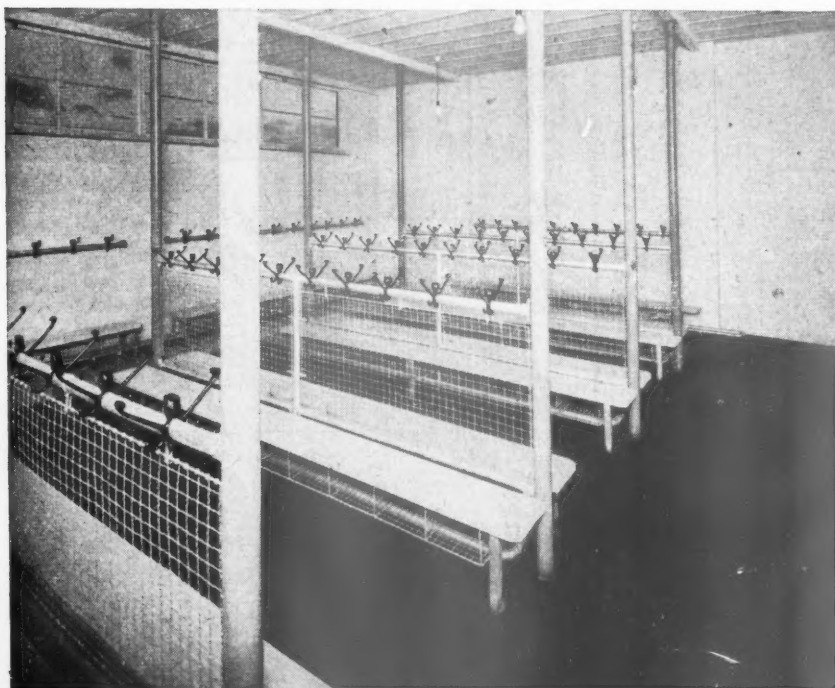
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Applications for all posts must reach the County Architect not later than Monday, 11th August, 1952.

R. F. G. THURLOW,  
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Applications are to be submitted in the first instance to the Secretary, Noble's Isle of Man Hospital within fourteen days after the appearance of this advertisement.

E. C. KNEALE,  
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EDWARD S. SMITH,  
Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Bury.  
25th July, 1952. 7183

## THURROCK URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL. ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS, GRADES IV AND III.

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A. E. POOLE,  
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FRANK HOWARTH,  
Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Widnes. 7172  
July 23rd, 1952.

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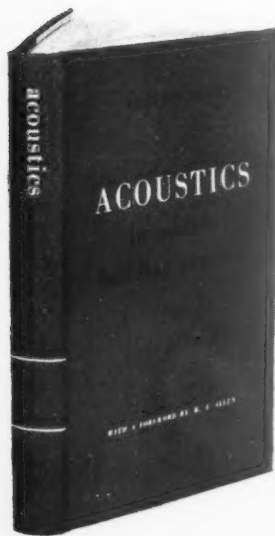
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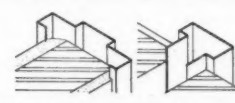
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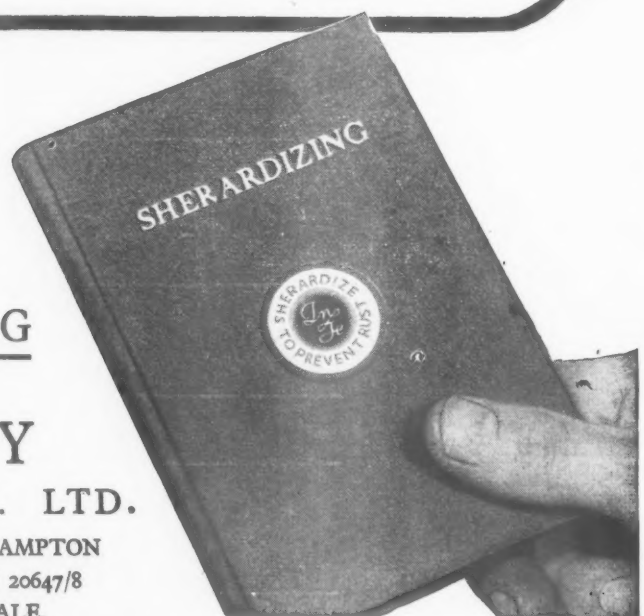
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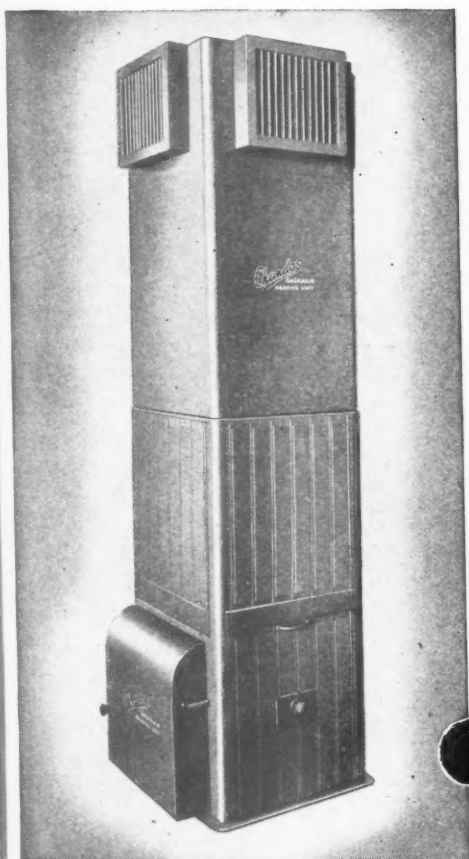
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