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## WE CAN'T STAND STILL

Hospitals and related health facilities occupy much of the attention of the design profession these days. For one thing, in volume of work on the boards and volume of anticipated construction, this type of structure ranks high, reflecting the urgent needs which must be met despite high building costs. Then, in three instances—the conduct of the V. A. hospital program, the A.H.A. “qualified architect” list, and the issuance of design and construction standards under the Hospital Survey and Construction Act—architects have been drawn into non-design, quasi-political, social considerations of hospital planning.

The principal interest of the designer, however, is still directed toward improved design of the structure. Here much remains to be done. We think that the buildings illustrated in this issue mark sharp progress—progress in study of the complicated program, in translation of that program into a plan, and in final design expression. Hospitals and health facilities in the United States are beginning to reflect the study which has resulted in an increasing literature on planning (our own PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE LIBRARY volume by Isadore Rosenfield, for example), in the excellent standards of the U. S. Public Health Service, and in many national and regional seminars on hospital planning.

But standards cannot be substituted for design. In fact, standards can be dangerous; they can stultify design. If they are not to become limitations instead of suggestions, they must be *minimum* standards, prepared by progressive-minded researchers, subject to constant revision. (In all of these respects the “Appendix A” standards for the Hospital Survey and Construction Act qualify, incidentally.) More than that, they must be used only as a springboard by architects who aren't satisfied with stopping where we now are. Medical science is constantly moving forward; the design of health structures must move with it. Building techniques and knowledge of lighting and heating are progressing; their application to health structures must progress at the same pace.

We can't afford to sit back and be satisfied with our new hospitals; we can't afford to “freeze” design, even at a new high standard. Hospital designers can't rest; they must constantly study, *inquire*, discuss—and then go back to the drawing boards with new purpose. The hospitals we publish next year must show an advance over the ones in this issue, proud as we and the designers are of this group.

The Editors

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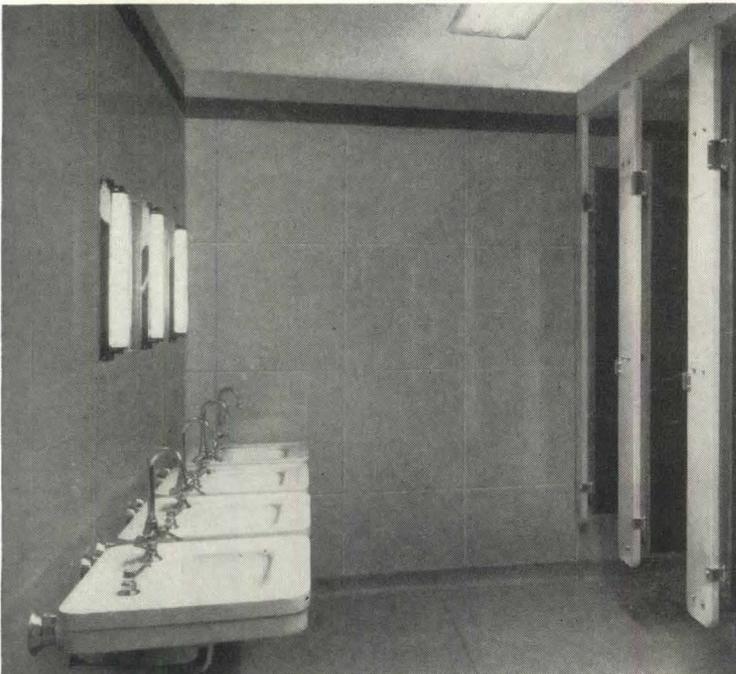
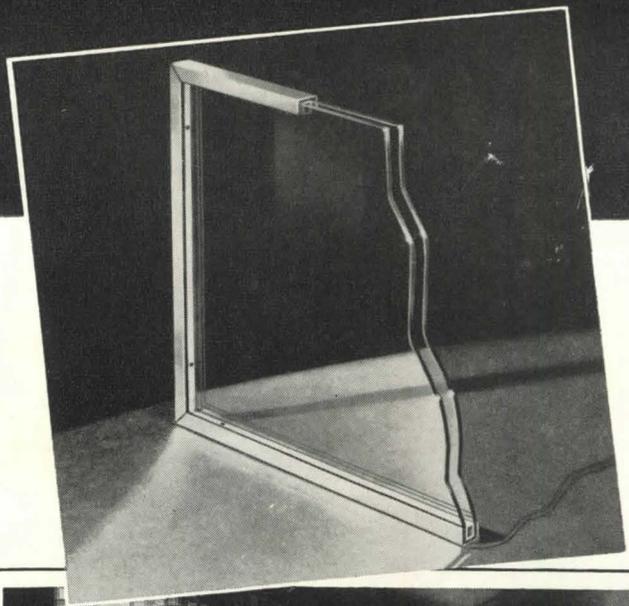


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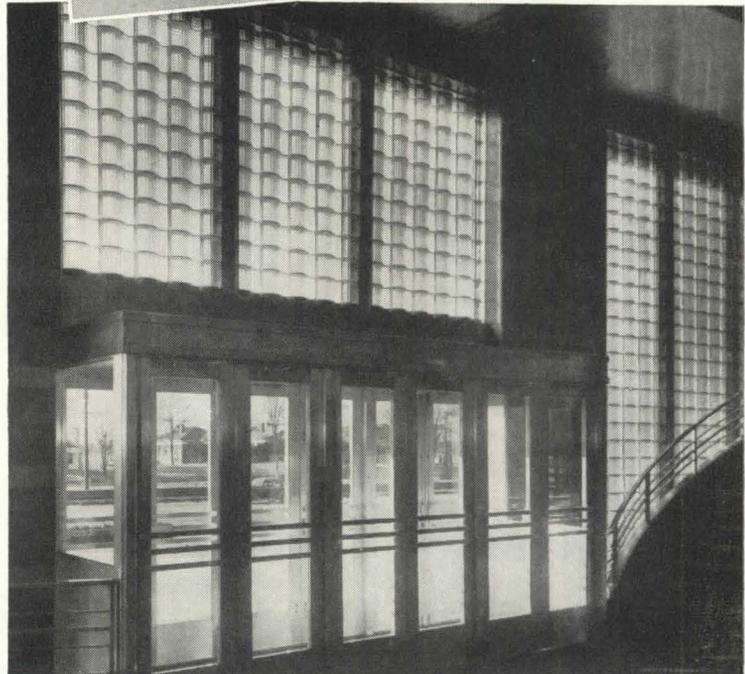
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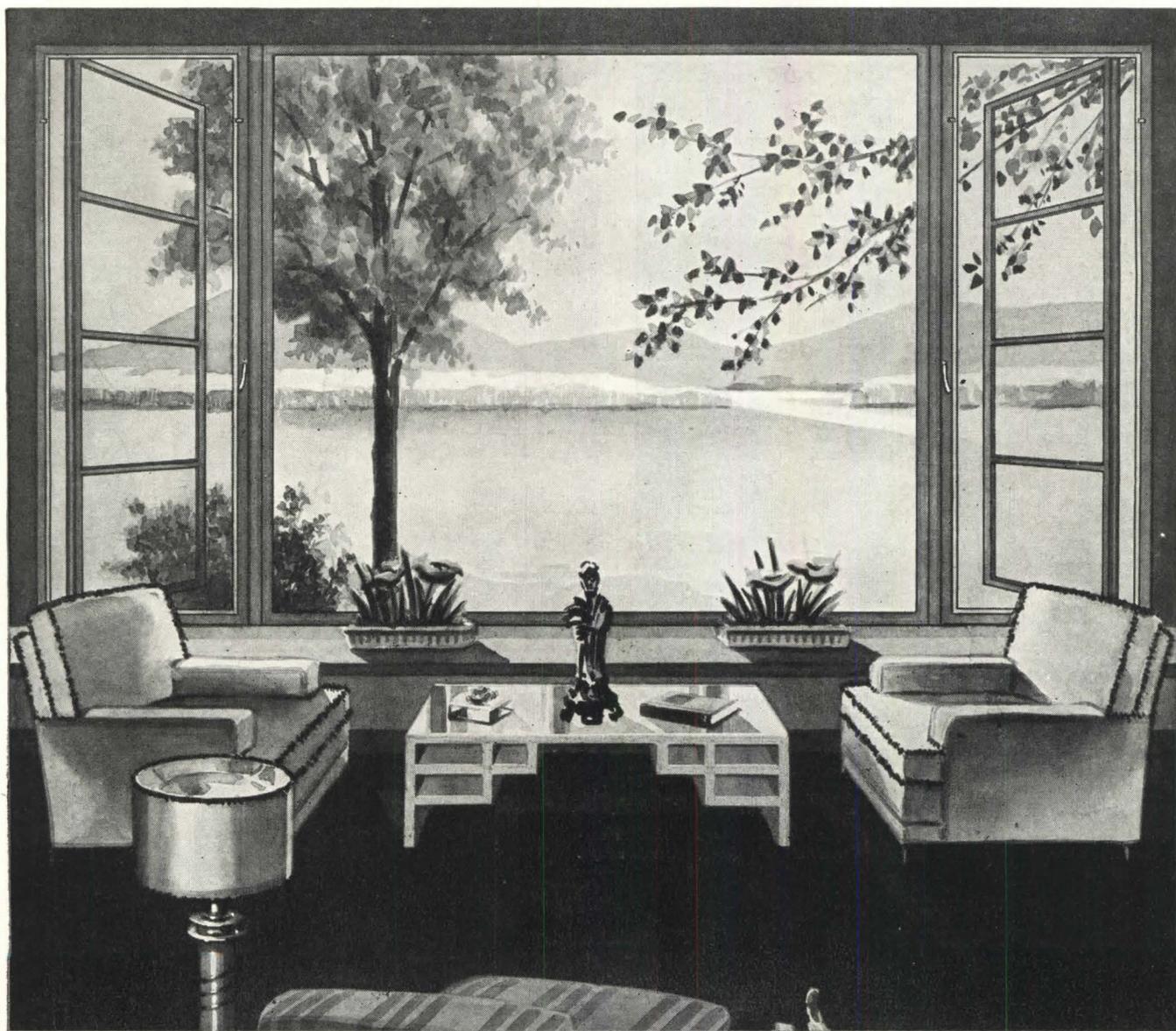
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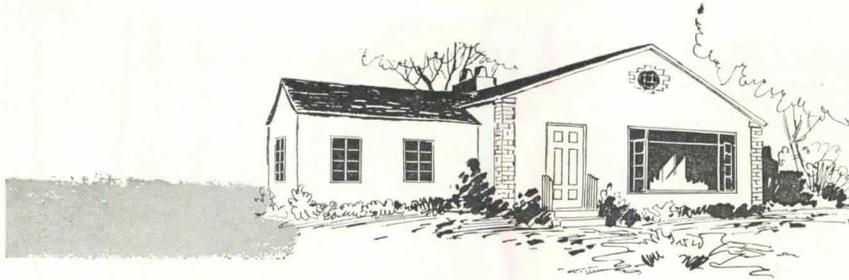
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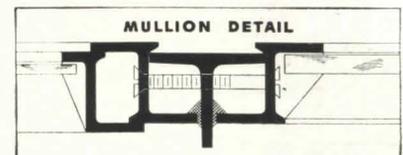
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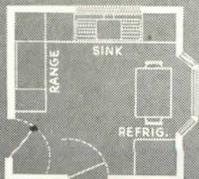
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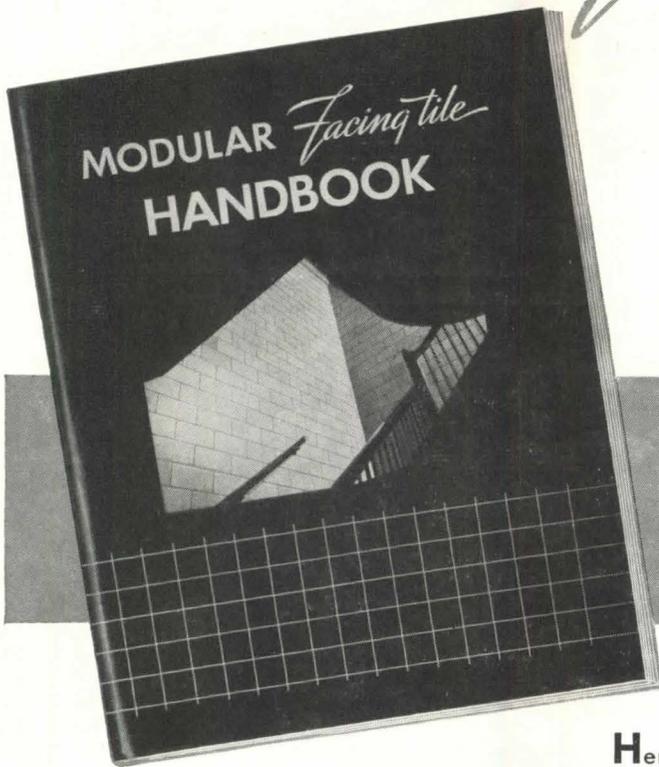
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# VIEWS

## NO POPGUN CRITIQUE!

*Dear Editor:* Reference is made to the September "Critique of 5 Homes."

Criticism is good if it gets down to fundamentals. My feeling is that you used a popgun when you should have employed something stronger. You apparently pussyfooted because as a host you could not be hard on your guests. This suggests that it might be better to leave the criticism to people who do not bear this kind of relationship to those whose work is being analyzed.

The purpose of criticism is to advance truth, and "popgun" criticism does justice neither to the profession as a whole nor to students in particular who are looking to the architectural press for guidance. It is my impression that in a good many schools of architecture today lip service is still being paid to function, but in their drafting rooms, students are not discouraged from concentrating intensely on the old "push-me-pull-you" game for the sake of making a "wow" of an impression.

By getting down to fundamentals the following might have been said:

The Brown house facing southwest has the worst possible exposure. It is placed in the middle of the plot so that it leaves only a ribbon of ground around it. This destroys the only flat spot on the lot and it produces an expensive cellar which has no light except through a few measly areas. If the architect had turned the house crosswise to the long axis of the island and had placed it tangent to the flat plateau, it would have faced south and an enormous, nature-made, outdoor living space would have been produced. Further, this would have definitely separated the approach and the service space from the private outdoor living space. The cellar would have been obtained with a minimum of excavation and it would have been beautifully daylighted.

The North Carolina house has no plot plan, which makes it impossible to give intelligent criticism; unless we consider the human dwelling place a mere geometric abstraction.

The Princeton house looks like a typical case of modern eclecticism where everything is pulled apart to produce an effect.

The San Francisco Bay house appears too good to be criticized, and the Quonset Cabin is damn good even if "the vertical wall" does "drop within the curve."

An easel painter has primarily the emotions to consider, but in buildings

the esthetic function is only one of many which must be accounted for. The architect should not knock them around in his attempt to satisfy emotion. The trick is to satisfy emotion while in full consonance with the other functions a building must satisfy.

ISADORE ROSENFELD  
New York, N. Y.

## PROS AND CONS

*Dear Editor:* The section on "A Critique of 5 Homes" in your September 1947 issue should get much praise. It is a splendid idea, very fairly and completely presented, and should be stimulating to both architects and prospective home builders. More of just such clear thinking and presentation of pros and cons in planning should produce better planned houses for the world to live in. Especially do I like the editorial introduction, setting forth such honest and sound principles of judgment of domestic architecture. I am looking forward to your *Homes*, Selected by the editors of PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE.

ELIZABETH FITTON  
Princeton, N. J.

## WASTING OUR TALENT

*Dear Editor:* Last month we advertised in your magazine, as well as in *Architectural Record* and in *Interiors*, for designers, draftsmen, and engineers who have not learned too well how things were done yesterday; and offered good working conditions, Arizona sunshine, and interesting work as inducements. Up to date, we have received over 70 applications, coming from almost every state in the Union, from Canada, and from Cuba.

Knowing real well how difficult it is to find qualified assistants, this was surprising at first, but not after analyzing the letters of application as a group.

At least two-thirds of the applicants had the background and experience which would make them an asset in the best of offices. Only two men were not employed at the time of application. Several are now working in some of the best known offices.

Practically all letters indicated a sense of frustration, and only a few have shown determination and strong belief in new ideals, proved by their willingness to travel from remotest places to have an opportunity to express themselves, to work freely unhampered by traditions without overbearing masters, and had confidence in the future.

Taken as a whole these letters were very depressing. Not so much as a reflection upon the applicants as upon our society and economics. The country is wasting its talents and youth on mediocre projects promoted by free enterprise boys, while the word "planning" is shunned lest the "Committee" will hear about it.

Men of 40 with education and experience gouged out by years of depression

and war are still hopeful of finding employment in offices doing modern work. Their search extending far from home indicates how slowly we are emerging from stagnation. Beyond the pages of our professional magazines there is a tremendous amount of bad work going on. There are signs all over that tradition is losing ground, but the worst of it is that its place is being taken by misunderstood and misused surface applications. We get so used to seeing the best in our magazines that it takes a good cross-country trip, or these applications, to realize that represents only a very small minority.

Despite the fact that we have not asked for any information or qualifications beyond imagination and fresh outlook, some of the applicants have given information as to their weight, height, color, and religion. After a war fighting fascism such an attitude is distressing. What bearing can such information have on architectural or industrial design? Gropius, Einstein, Mendelsohn, and others know the answer to this question. Women also have learned quickly of changing conditions—they apply for employment with doubt.

The cross-country lack of housing was very evident in most of the applications; however, there was some wishful thinking—hoping that there is still a city left in the U.S.A. with enough housing accommodations. In fact, some letters made us want to wire: "Can't offer any more work, housing very bad, but come out anyway—it's warmer here at least." All in all, the results of our advertisement are very satisfactory except for the fact that we cannot enlarge our staff to take in a least five more of the best of the crop, and it makes us wonder about this "shortage of good men" that everybody is crying about.

WILLIAM WILDE  
Tucson, Ariz.

## A REVIEWER CHIDED

*Dear Editor:* Pray consider me an enthusiastic backer of PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE and all its good works. But one is occasionally at variance with a contributor's opinion—even irked to the point of rebuttal.

Surprisingly, my current annoyance stems from Mr. Henry L. Kamphoefner's "frank" review of Talbot Hamlin's *Architecture and Art for All Men*, (August 1947 PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE). It might even be contended that "speaking frankly" is too kindly a capping for his rather unfriendly and non-objective language.

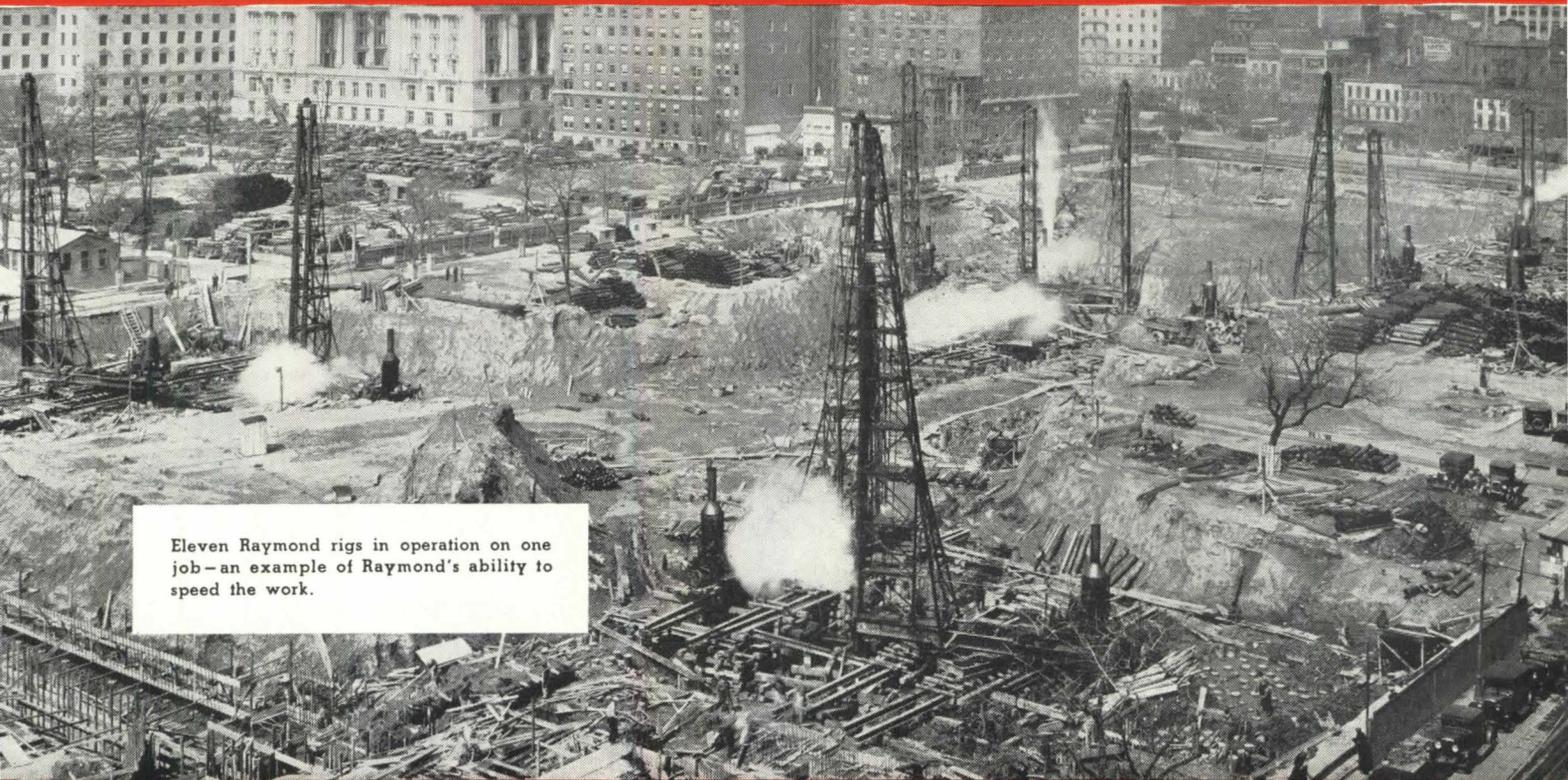
To my mind, students and laymen should find Hamlin's work a really helpful guide towards understanding architecture as an art. Nobody can gainsay his amiable treatment of contemporary architecture, which loses nothing for not being the pronouncement of a clique. Perhaps we have had an overplus of doctrinaire writing that has often failed

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to spread comprehension of our work, or even to have been good advertising.

Professor Hamlin has been a good "father" to many an architect of today and a sympathetic mentor of contemporary and progressive architecture. He should not be blamed for that. His recent book is indeed stimulating in its philosophy and does modern architecture, as a whole, more justice than writing of a biased cast. Hamlin has always seen the social value of modern building (as the late C. W. Behrendt did in his

book), and he has never unwittingly paid critical compliments to unworthy examples or those meaningless extravagances of our contemporary "fellow travelers."

Hamlin's explanation of a "new humanism" is, for me, a very meritorious performance. Though the chapter on "Architecture and the Community" meets with the reviewer's approval, he seems not to observe that Mr. Hamlin's inspiring appeal does not savor of the "ivory tower," but shows the professor speaking his mind openly and with a feeling for social responsibility which is so often missing with the "practical" practitioner who is selling architecture designed with and without "emotion."

Maybe Talbot Hamlin is guilty of being more in love with Goodhue than we like, for one is never pleased when historians trace his work back to some strange ancestor. But in a book devoted to the enjoyment of architecture, all these developments have to be taken into account. Intolerance, fanaticism, and hysteria have no place in our search for good architecture. If we accept Bruno Taut's definition of architecture as the art of proportion (not only in a formal sense but also as an expression of all the civic activities, and in relation to climate and topography), then we realize that contemporary architecture should not be aloof from the suggestion that it, too, is descended from a monkey; no analogic restrictions should be permitted in an honest study.

Happily, almost every young architect has branched off the old highway of classicism and period imitation by now. Of course there is little homogeneous architecture, and nothing of the sort could be expected in this chaotic society.

It is so easy to call names and claim righteousness. Mr. Kamphoefner's review did not help to clarify matters or truly inform the prospective reader of *Architecture and Art for All Men*. Perhaps he should ask Talbot Hamlin for an invitation to board his cruiser for a pleasant hour, to talk things over.

In fine, to quote the editors of your excellent magazine, "It's time we all grew up and stopped being hysterical about this subject."

HEINRICH H. WAECHTER  
Boston, Mass.

### FUNCTION DOMINANT

Dear Editor: Why the title "Logic? . . . Or Esthetics?"?

Mr. Kirchman, too, bases his irrationalisms of the so-called International school on the "outgrowth of esthetic principles which are *anti-rational* rather than rational in some of their fundamentals."

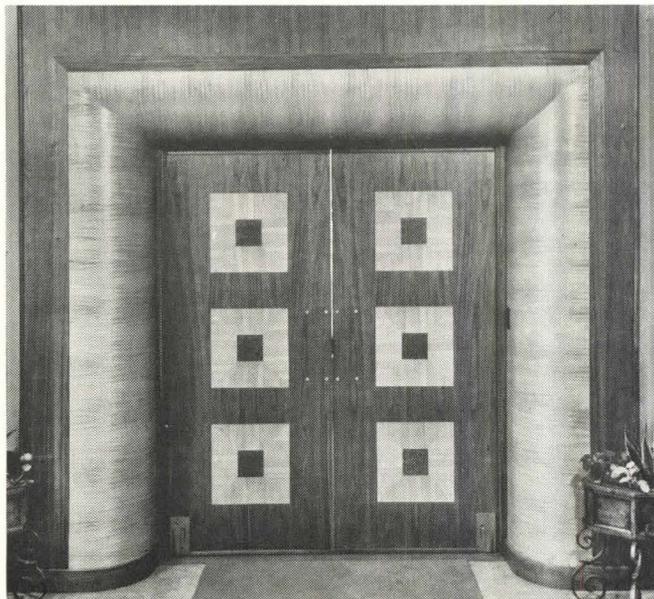
If architecture is utilitarian—the only major art that is an applied art—then it must be dominated by the demands of function. It seems to me that esthetics and logic or rationalism or function are inseparable. An esthetic principle of architecture if not rational surely falls without the field of esthetics.

I speak of function, not as a planning basis alone, but as a broad foundation providing that a building be suitable to its culture and the best construction practices available, to its plot and climate and surroundings, and to its immediate needs.

The revolt against the "highly materialistic theory of 'functionalism'" by early modern European architects was surely sound. A completely logical or functional solution need not be esthetically good. But a sound esthetic solution would of necessity be based on logic, on function, on rationalism.

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While maintaining their own offices in Los Angeles, California, for commercial and residential work, architects Paul R. Williams and A. Quincy Jones, Jr., have formed an association for the designing of clubs and hotels. One of the designs of this team, Palm Springs Tennis Club, is the first feature of this month's issue. Williams, a native Californian, won four consecutive competitions the year after he graduated from University of Southern California. This started him off in the field of domestic architecture; he has designed over 2,000 homes, from Canada to South America. This residential experience has now been applied to resort hotel design. His associate, Jones, was an honor student at University of Washington, and prior to opening his own office worked with architects in the Los Angeles area on various large projects, including the Fleet Operating Base at Terminal Island, California, the Naval Reserve Air Station in Los Alamitos, and housing projects and community centers.

Health facilities constitute the fifth building type discussed in our series of Critiques, continued this month. The first of two hospitals chosen for analysis is located in Greenwich, Connecticut, and comes from the New York office of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill. The principal responsible for this design is Robert W. Cutler, a partner in the firm. A graduate of Syracuse University, he has been an instructor at Mechanics Institute, New York, and prior to his present partnership, worked with several New York firms, including Schultze & Weaver; Bottomley, Wagner & White; and Eugene Schoen & Sons. While with Skidmore, Owings & Mer-



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rill he has been active in the firm's work on Sloan-Kettering Institute and James Ewing Hospital at Memorial Hospital Center for Cancer & Allied Diseases in New York, and New York University-Bellevue Medical Center.

Southern Hospital, Stockholm, Sweden, the second hospital to be treated, is in reality a huge medical center, and is the work of the Swedish architect, Hjalmar Cederstrom.

The Dormitory for Keeley Institute, Dwight, Illinois, a center for the treatment and care of alcoholics, was designed by Schweikher & Elting, architects, of Roselle, Illinois, already known to our readers. (For biographical data, see December 1946 PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE.)

A PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE Award Honorable Mention, Wayne County Health Center, Michigan, comes from the office of Eberle M. Smith Associates, Detroit, Michigan. (For photograph of Mr. Smith, see June 1947 PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE.) Eberle M. Smith was trained at University of Michigan College of Architecture, and has worked with Albert Kahn, Malcomson & Higgenbotham, and Nathaniel O. Gould, all of Detroit. He was associated with Maynard Lyndon from 1935 to 1942, when the firm of Lyndon & Smith was dissolved and he began practice under his own name. During the war period he designed and built institutional buildings for the Federal Works Agency, Federal Public Buildings Administration, and Federal Public Housing Authority.

Also included in the group of health buildings is Naramore, Bain, Brady & Johanson's design of the King County Central Blood Bank, Seattle, Washington. An active Fellow of the A.I.A., Floyd A. Naramore is a past president of the Washington State Chapter. He is a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and specializes in the design of schools and public buildings. William J. Bain is also a Fellow of the A.I.A., and a past president of the Washington State Chapter. Since his graduation from University of Penn-



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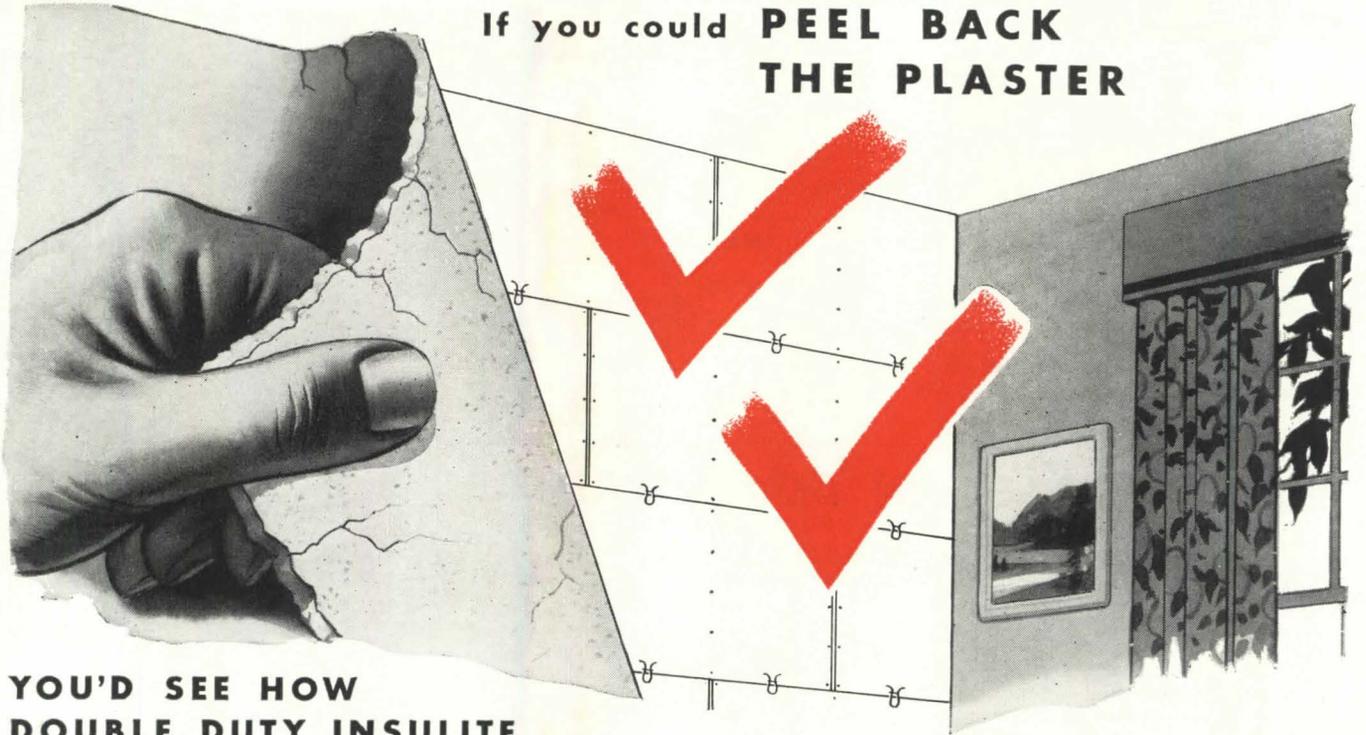
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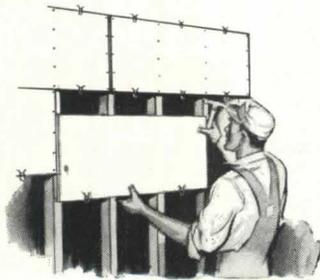


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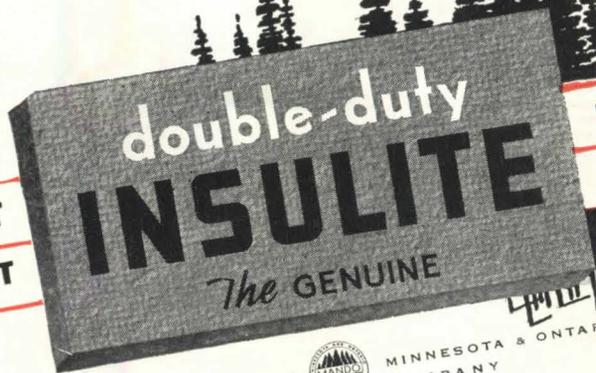
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sylvania he has conducted a general practice. Working particularly with school and public building design, Clifton J. Brady, a graduate of Iowa State College, has followed the precedent set by his two aforementioned partners, and is now president of the local chapter of the A.I.A. The fourth member of this Seattle, Washington, firm, Perry B. Johanson attended University of Washington, and is likewise an active participant in local A.I.A. affairs. His special field is public buildings and hospitals. Associated on this job with the firm was Joseph Wohleb, also of Seattle.

Two nurses' homes complete the Critique study this month. The home for Memorial Hospital in Anniston, Alabama, was designed by Charles H. McCauley, of Birmingham, who is already known to our readers as the architect of Sylacauga Hospital, also in Alabama. (For biographical note, see December 1946 PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE.)

The nurses' home in St. Cloud, Minnesota, is one of the most recent projects of the firm of Long & Thorshov, Inc., of Minneapolis, Minnesota. The founding of their present office dates back to between 1880 and 1890, and its growth has paralleled that of the City of Minneapolis itself. With the firm since 1919, Roy Norman Thorshov has been president since 1928. He received his Bache-



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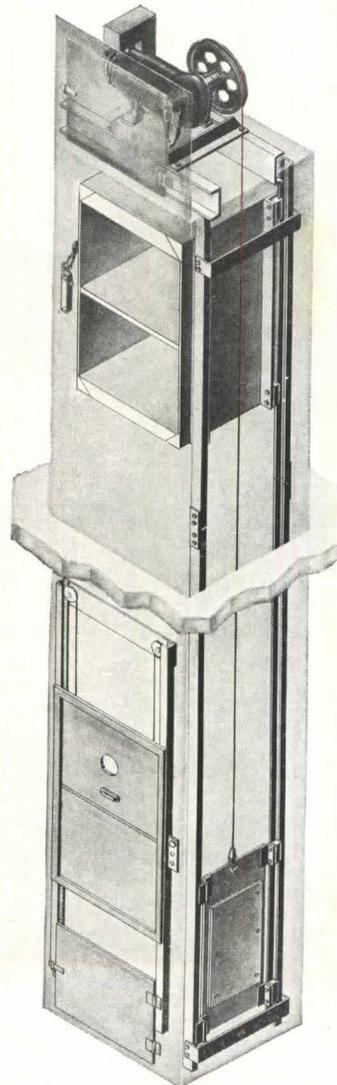
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lor of Architecture degree at University of Minnesota, and did his graduate work at Fontainebleau School of Fine Arts in France and at University of Minnesota. During 1933 and 1934 he served as director of the housing survey conducted in Minneapolis, and from 1934 to 1936 he worked with the Home Owners Loan Corporation, Reconditioning Division. He is vice president of the Minnesota Chapter, A.I.A., and a member of American Interprofessional Institute. Henry T. Shotwell has been a partner in the firm since 1945. A Bachelor of Architecture from Pratt Institute in New York, his first experience was with the New York firm of Githens and Keally. From 1938 to 1940 he was an architect with National Youth Administration in Washington, D. C., specializing in the development and execution of wood panel prefabrication for youth training centers. Before his present partnership he also worked, from 1940 to 1945, as chief architect for Rural Electrification Administration in Washington, D. C., and St. Louis, Missouri. His war service was with the Office of Scientific Research and Development, where he was assigned to the Army Air Forces as operations analyst. Robert G. Cerny, the third principal in the firm, was trained at University of Minnesota and received his M. Arch. from Harvard. He

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was granted a fellowship from Harvard in 1935, and traveled through Europe for nine months studying town planning, housing, and modern architecture. His early experience was with TVA in Knoxville, Tennessee, and in 1936 he was appointed secretary of the Knoxville Housing Authority. The following year he was invited to teach architecture at University of Minnesota, where he is now an associate professor. From 1937 to 1942 he practiced architecture under the firm name of Jones & Cerny, and from 1942 to date he has been a consulting designer with Long & Thorshov. He is a member of the A.I.A., ex-

ecutive secretary of Minneapolis Civic Center Development Association, and chairman of the Mayor's Emergency Housing Committee.

The residential example chosen this month by the editors is also from a Minneapolis architectural firm, **Elizabeth and Winston Close**. Their office was started in 1938 under the name of Close and Scheu, but they "later made the partnership more inclusive by getting married and changing the name of the firm." Close is a graduate of University of Minnesota and M.I.T. Mrs. Close, a native of Vienna, studied for two years at Technical University of Vienna before coming to M.I.T. to complete her architectural training. From the first the Closes say they were "determined not to do any 'stylistic' work, and not too optimistic about our chances

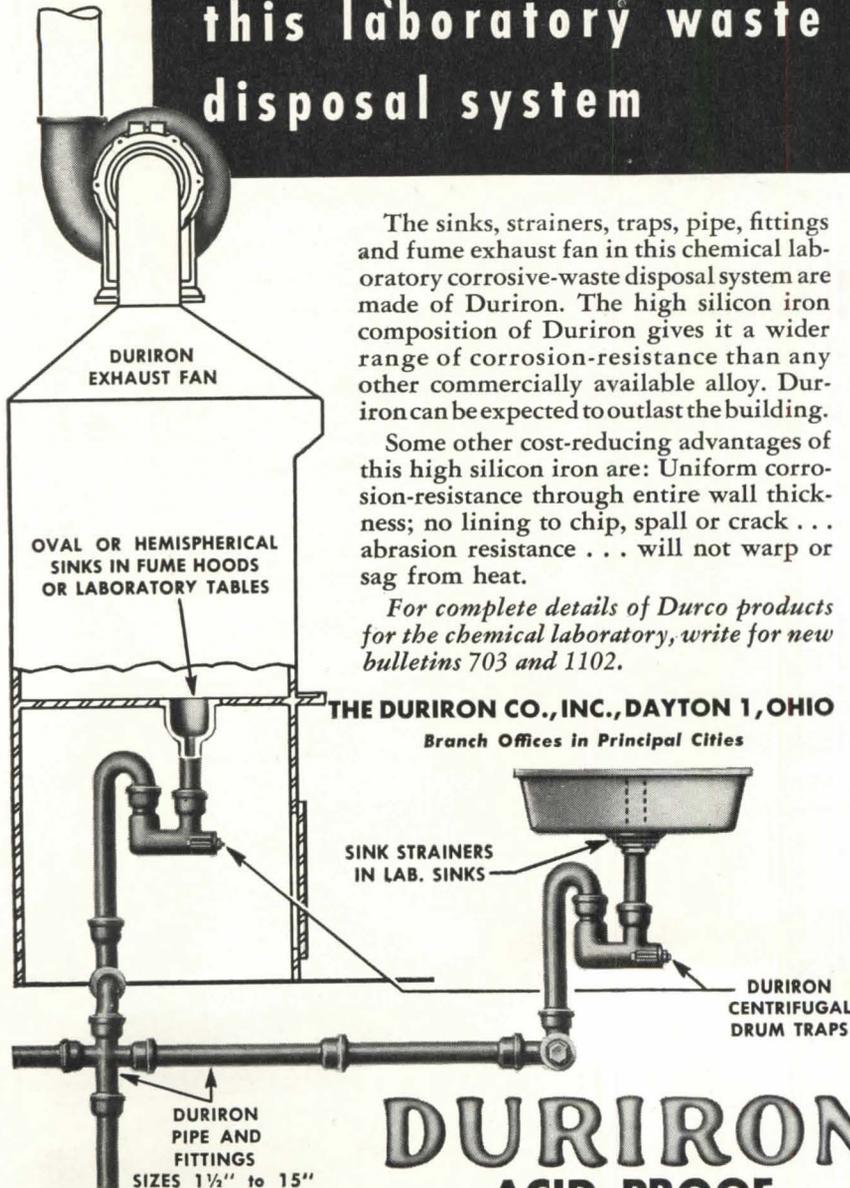


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Closely allied to the Health Facilities Critique is the lead article in the Materials and Methods section this month, "Don't Be Afraid of Hospital Equipment." The introduction to this article has been written for us by Leighton M. Arrowsmith and John Rannells. Leighton M. Arrowsmith is a past administrator of St. John's Hospital in Brooklyn, New York, and has long been associated with the standardization of administrative methods in hospitals. He is at present with New York State Department of Mental Hygiene. **John Rannells'** name will be familiar to our readers as our technical book reviewer this past year. He is an architect with the office of Shreve, Lamb & Harmon in New York, with a special interest in hospital design.

Another in the series of streamlined specifications, which have aroused great interest and enthusiasm among our readers, completes this month's issue. The specification, on casework for hospitals, is by **Ben John Small**, author of the earlier article on "Specification Surgery." Since this article and biographical information on Mr. Small appeared in the August 1946 **PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE**, he has co-authored, with Clinton H. Cowgill, a book, *Architectural Practice*, recently published by Reinhold Publishing Corporation.

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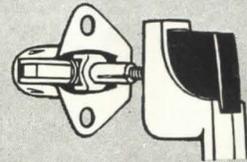


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● Several building types will be explored in the same issue. From the office of Wurster, Bernardi & Emmons, San Francisco architects, we have chosen an industrial office building at Niles, California. Design possibilities of a new kind of building are suggested by overnight cabins in South Yarmouth, Massachusetts, the work of David Fried, Boston architect. Completing this section will be a men's wear shop in Beverly Hills, California, by Maynard Lyndon, Los Angeles architect; an arts and science building of the Ricker Classical Institute at Houlton, Maine, by Alonzo J. Harriman, Inc., of Auburn, Maine;

and a house at Whitewater, Wisconsin, by William V. Kaeser, Madison architect.

● Most of the Materials and Methods section will be devoted to a discussion of "Apartment House Elevators," by H. M. Nugent and W. H. Easton, Jr., both of Otis Elevator Company. They outline and analyze the considerations which are basic in the selection of elevator equipment for apartment buildings. There will also be the concluding pages of the typical streamlined specifications for metal casework for hospitals, by Ben John Small, started this month.

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### APPOINTMENTS

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Two new appointments to the University of Oregon School of Architecture and Allied Arts are JEAN KENDALL, who returns as assistant professor after a 3-year absence, and LYNN ALEXANDER, a new instructor in Art.

North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering, University of North Carolina, announces the appointment of LAWRENCE ALBERT ENERSEN as professor of landscape architecture.

PROF. HERBERT REEVES SINNARD has been named head of the department of architecture at Oregon State College, Corvallis, Ore.

JOSEPH BLUMENKRANZ has been appointed by the U. S. War Department, Corps of Engineers, as consultant on the nationwide hospital program for the Veterans Administration. Mr. Blumenkranz has acted as hospital consultant on 3 veterans' hospitals during the past year, and prior to that was Architect and Hospital Consultant to the Government of Puerto Rico and Senior Architect of Hospitals with the City of New York. His offices are at 535 Cathedral P'kway, New York 25, N. Y.

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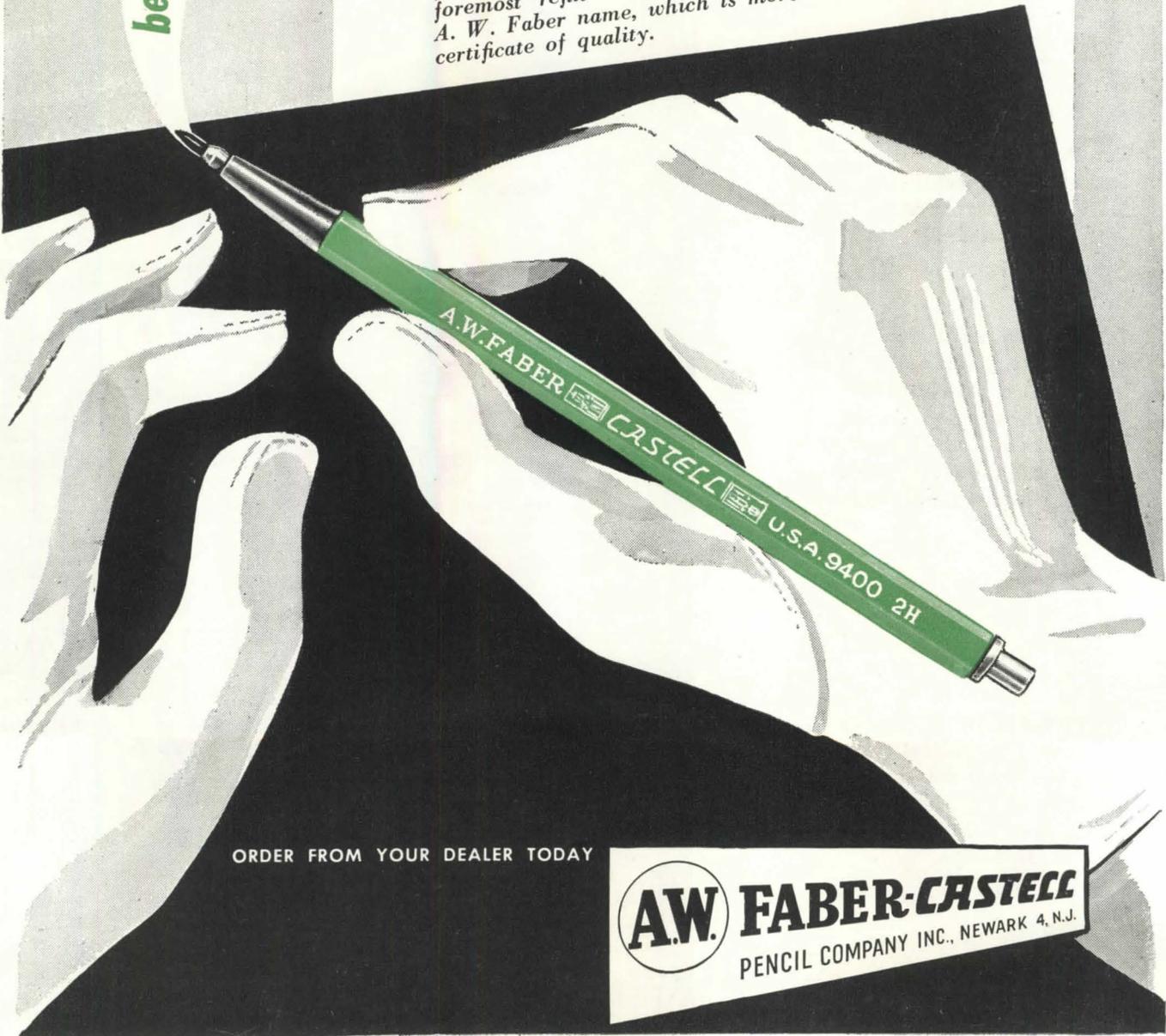
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Every architect in the United States is invited to present his best work or make nominations for review by a distinguished professional jury. The Awards are intended to foster sincere, reasoned progress in architectural design in the United States by citation and recognition of those architects whose efforts to improve contemporary standards are judged the most successful.

The Awards will consist of suitable certificates to be given to the winners at a presentation dinner attended by nationally prominent speakers and leaders of the profession. It is proposed to give the dinner in or near the home town of one of the Award winners.

## JURY

The buildings to be cited as the best constructed during 1947 will be selected by a jury qualified to consider all aspects of the building. Thomas H. Creighton, Editor of **PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE**, will be the professional adviser.

## PROGRAM

The only basis for selection of the buildings winning Awards in the two classifications above described will be demonstrable progress in fitness, strength, beauty, and purpose. The jury will be asked to give consideration to the appearance, plans, structure, use of materials, site arrangement, and relation to community plan and community needs.

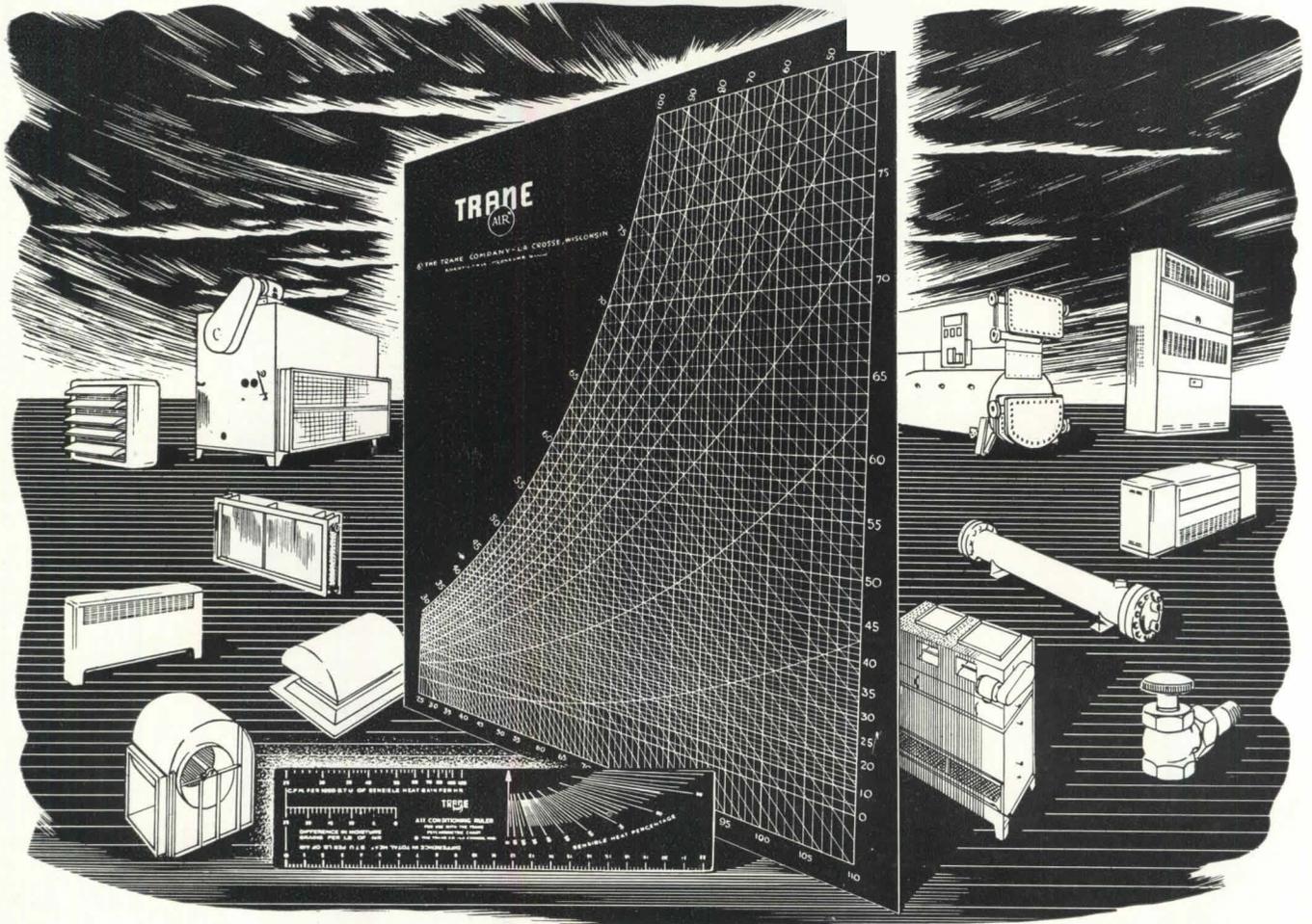
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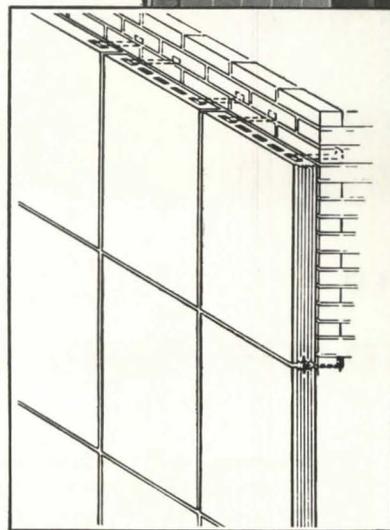
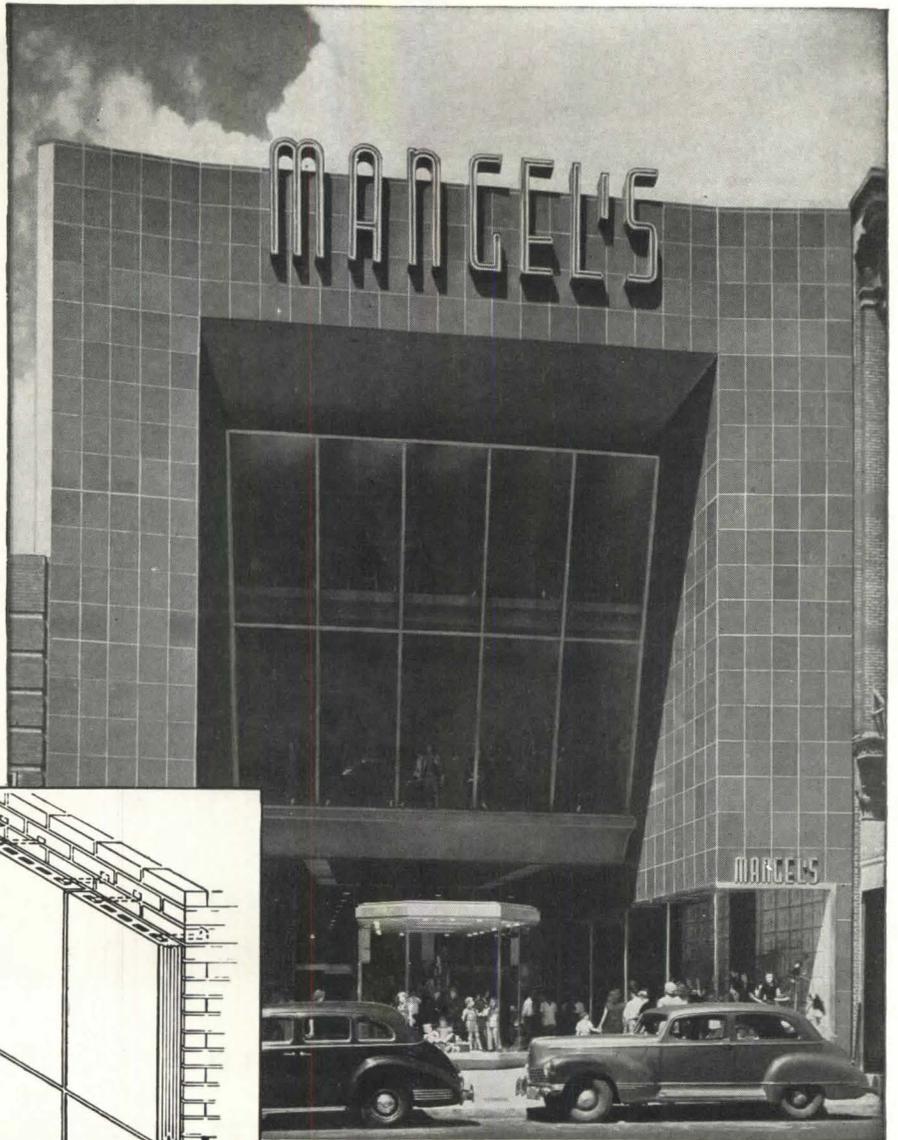
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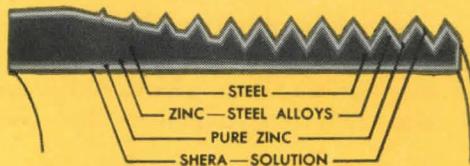
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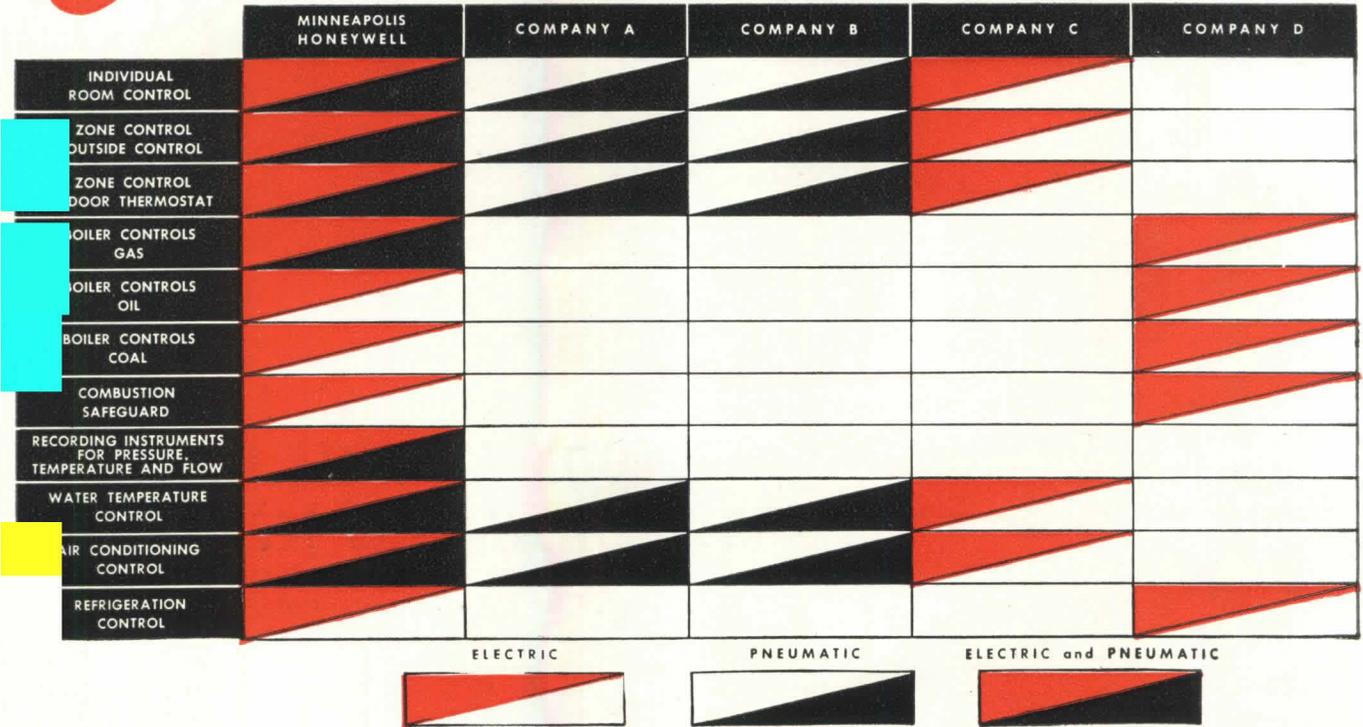
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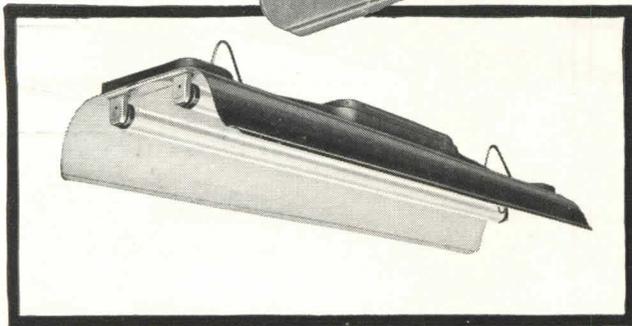
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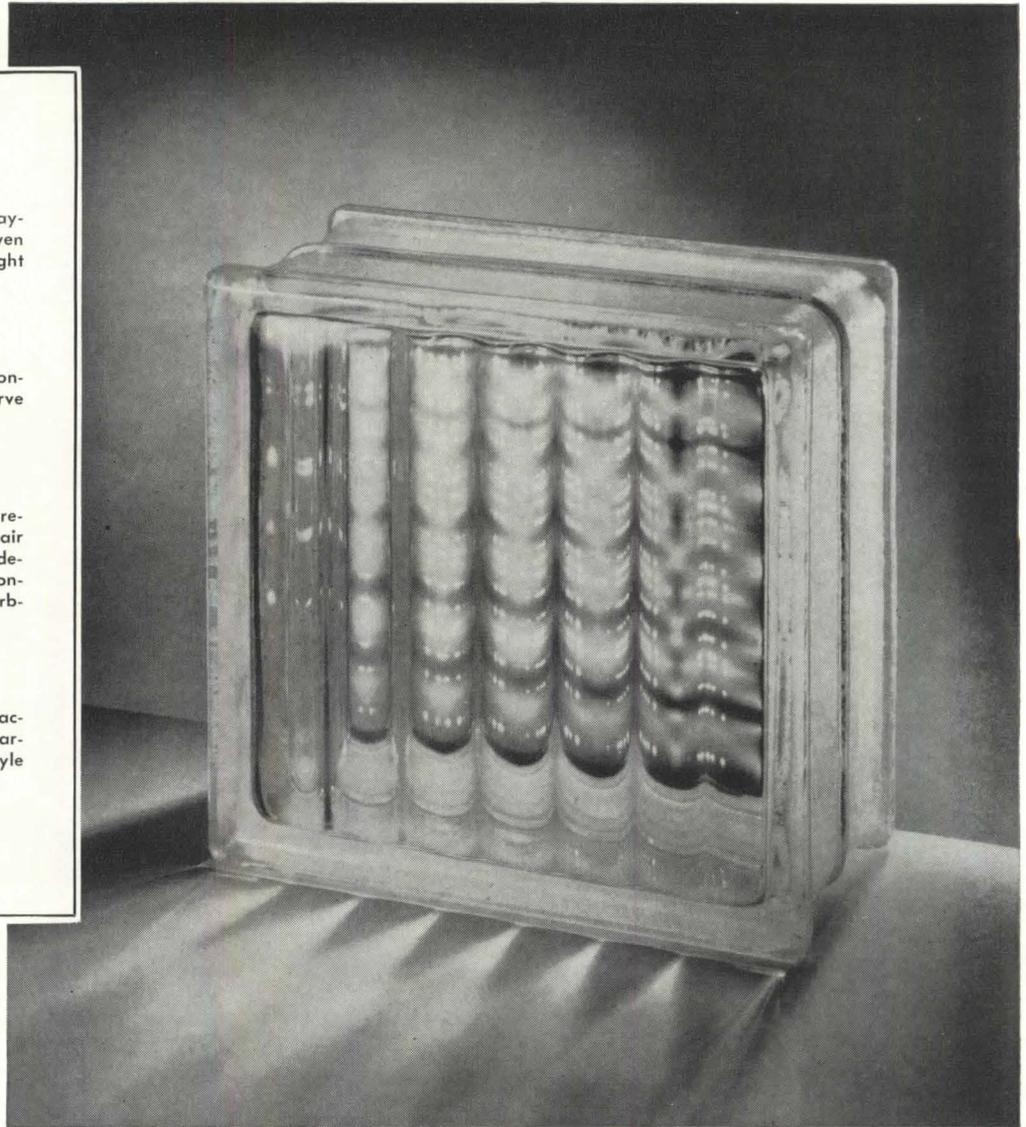
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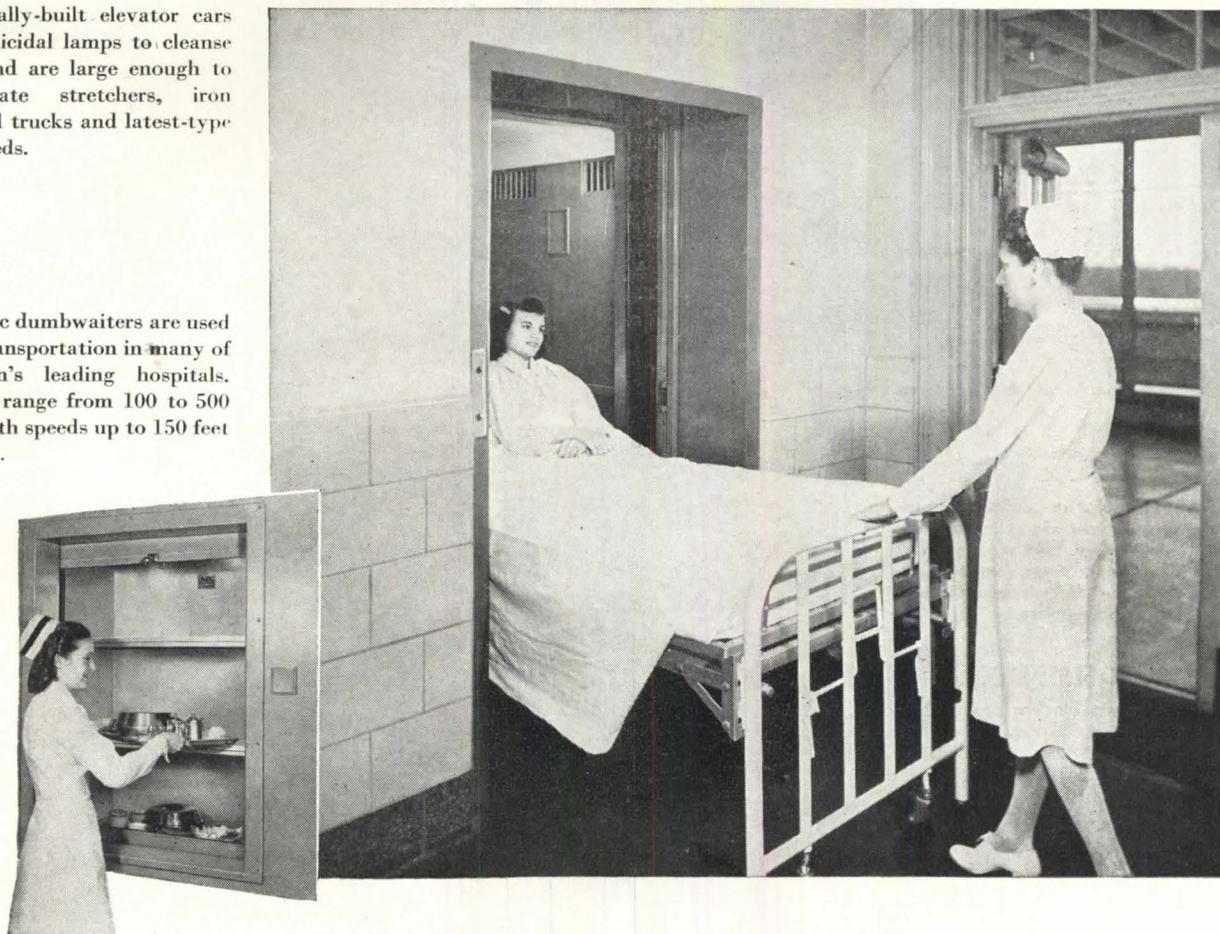
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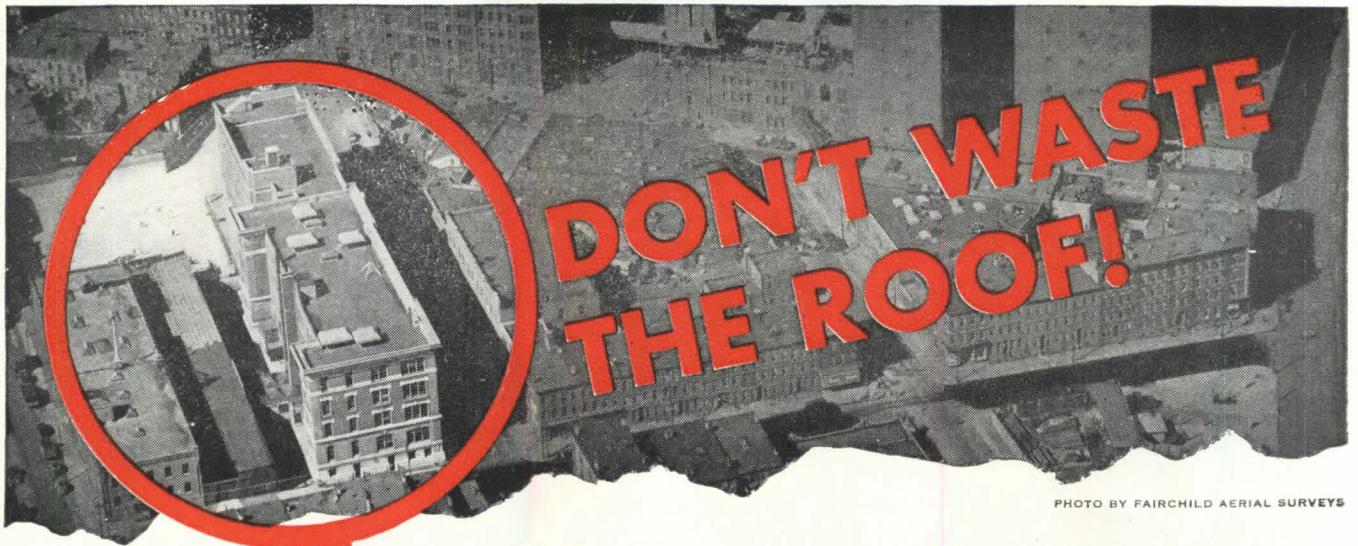
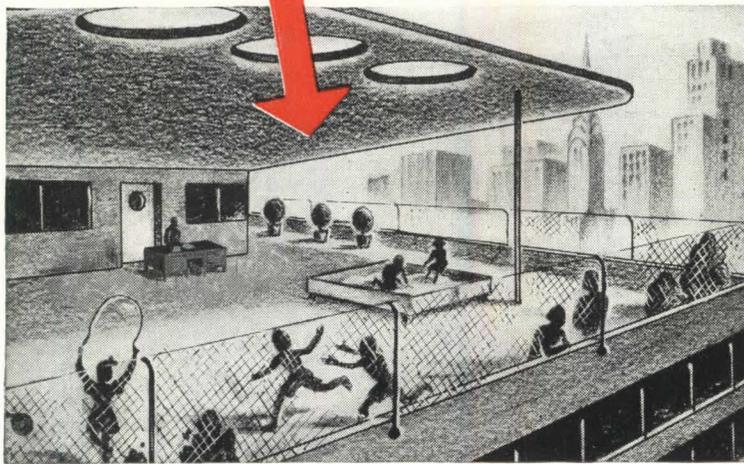


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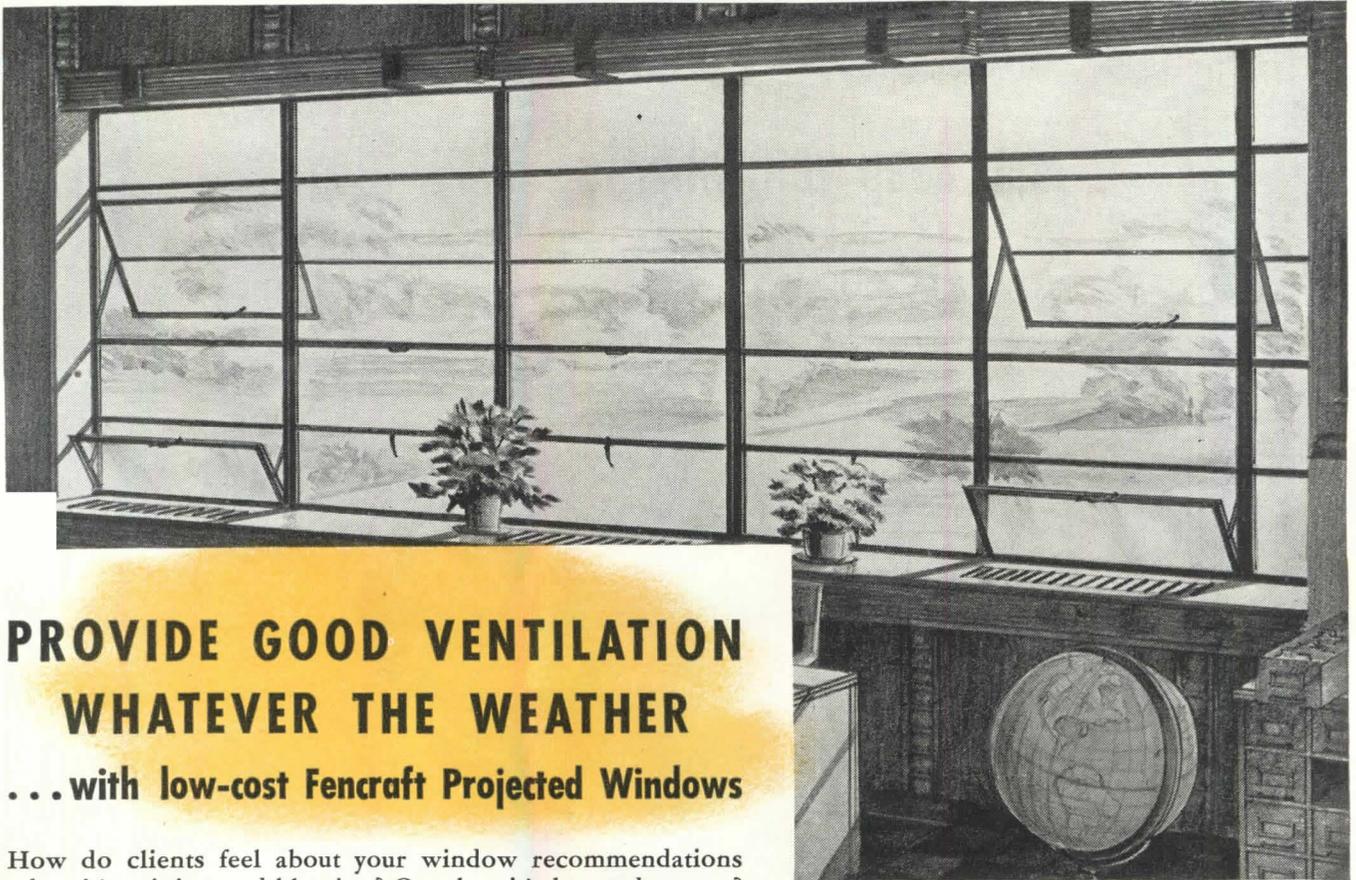
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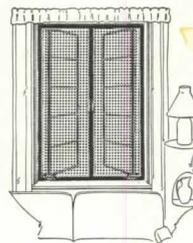
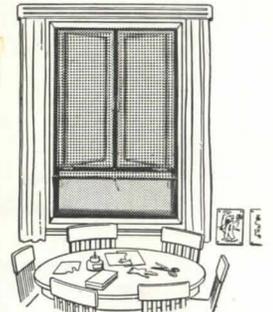
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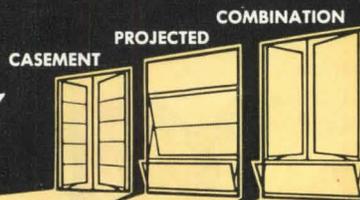
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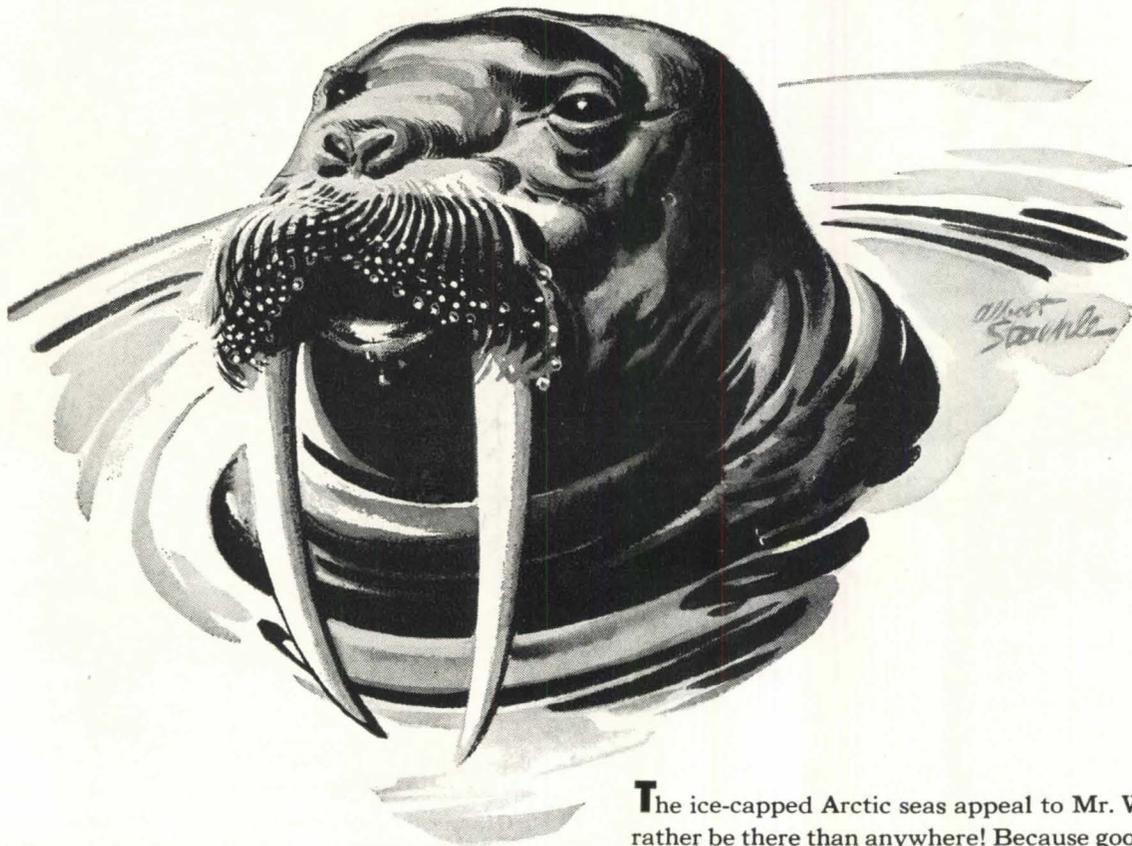
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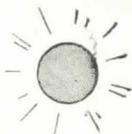
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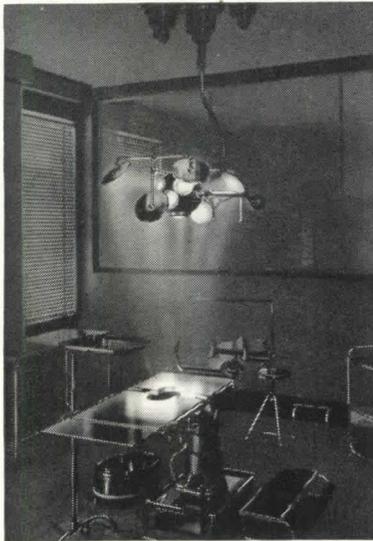
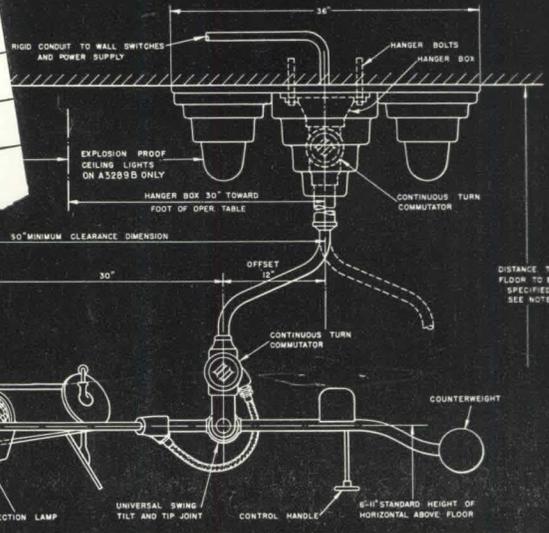
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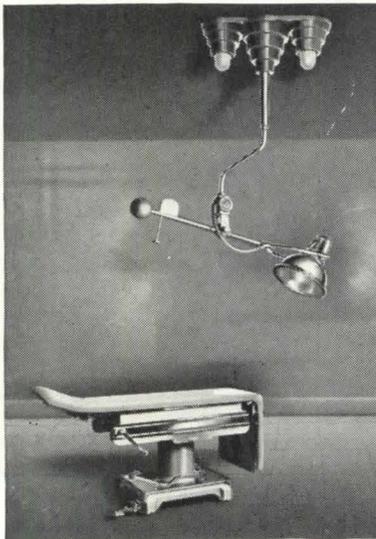
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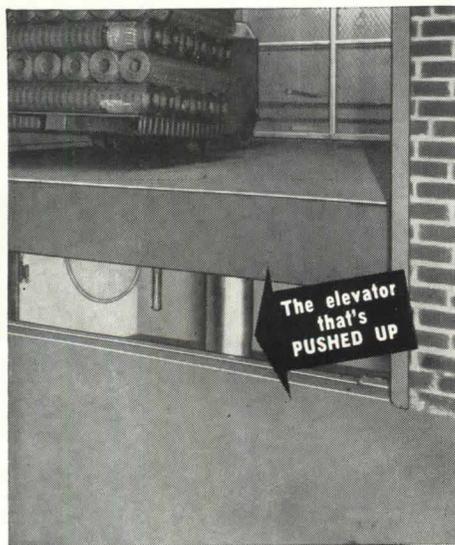
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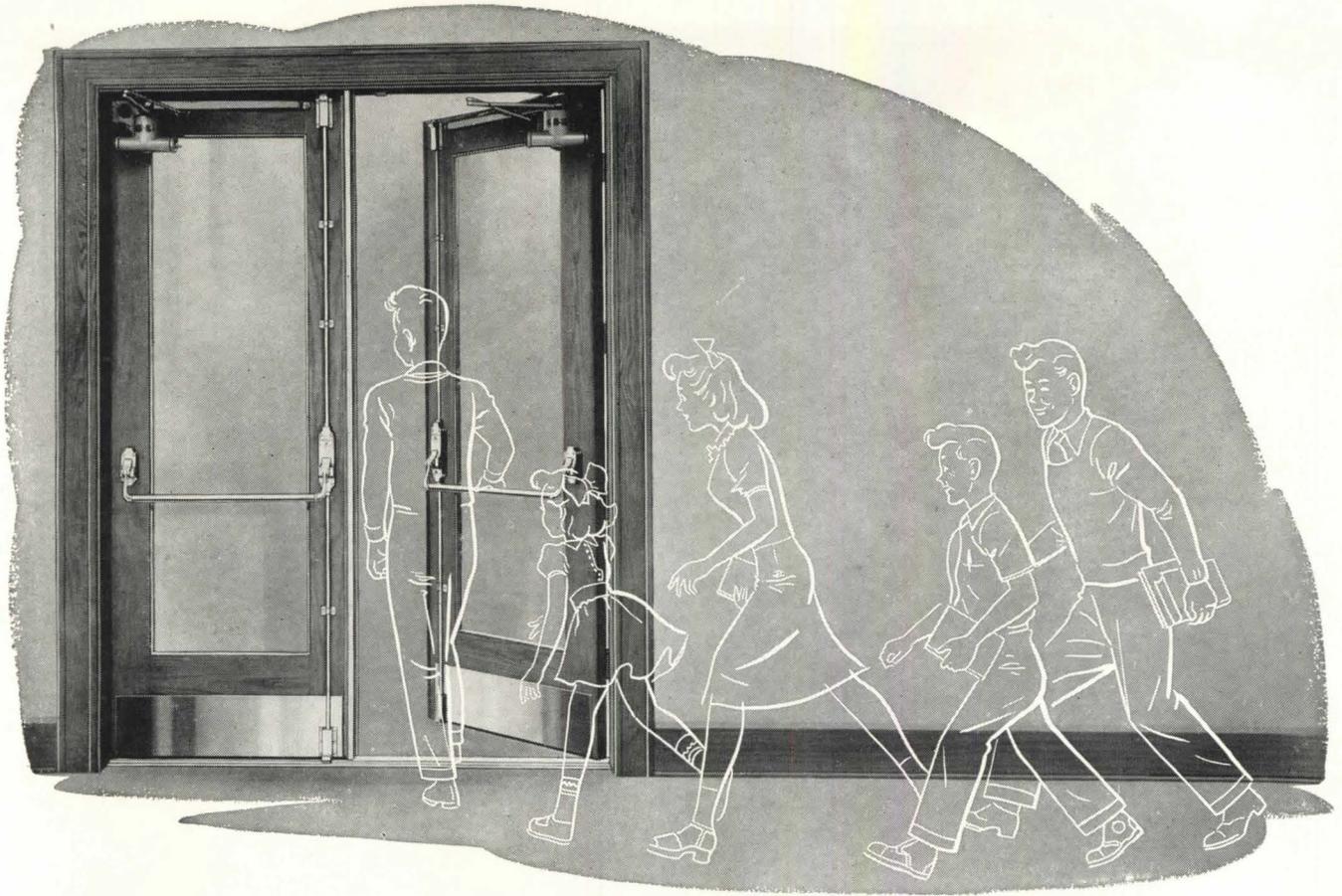
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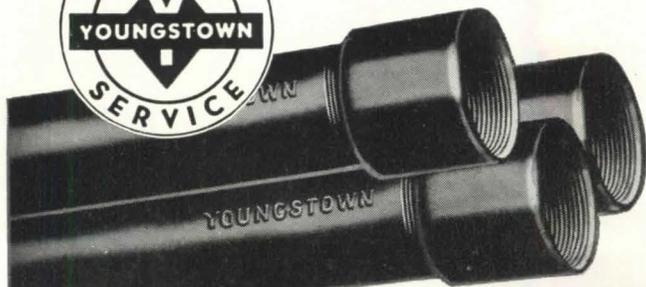
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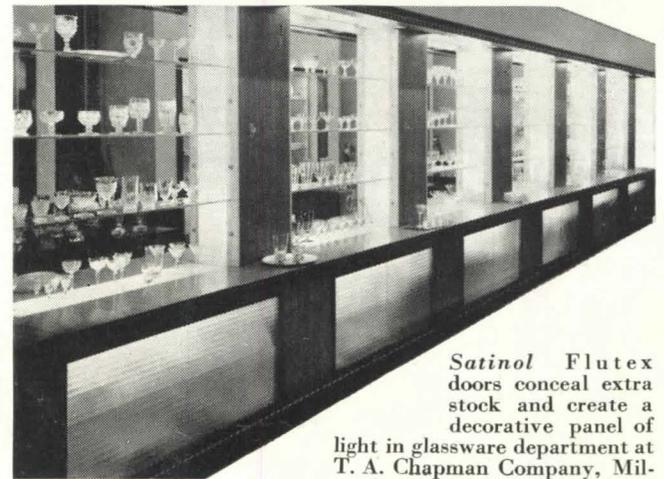
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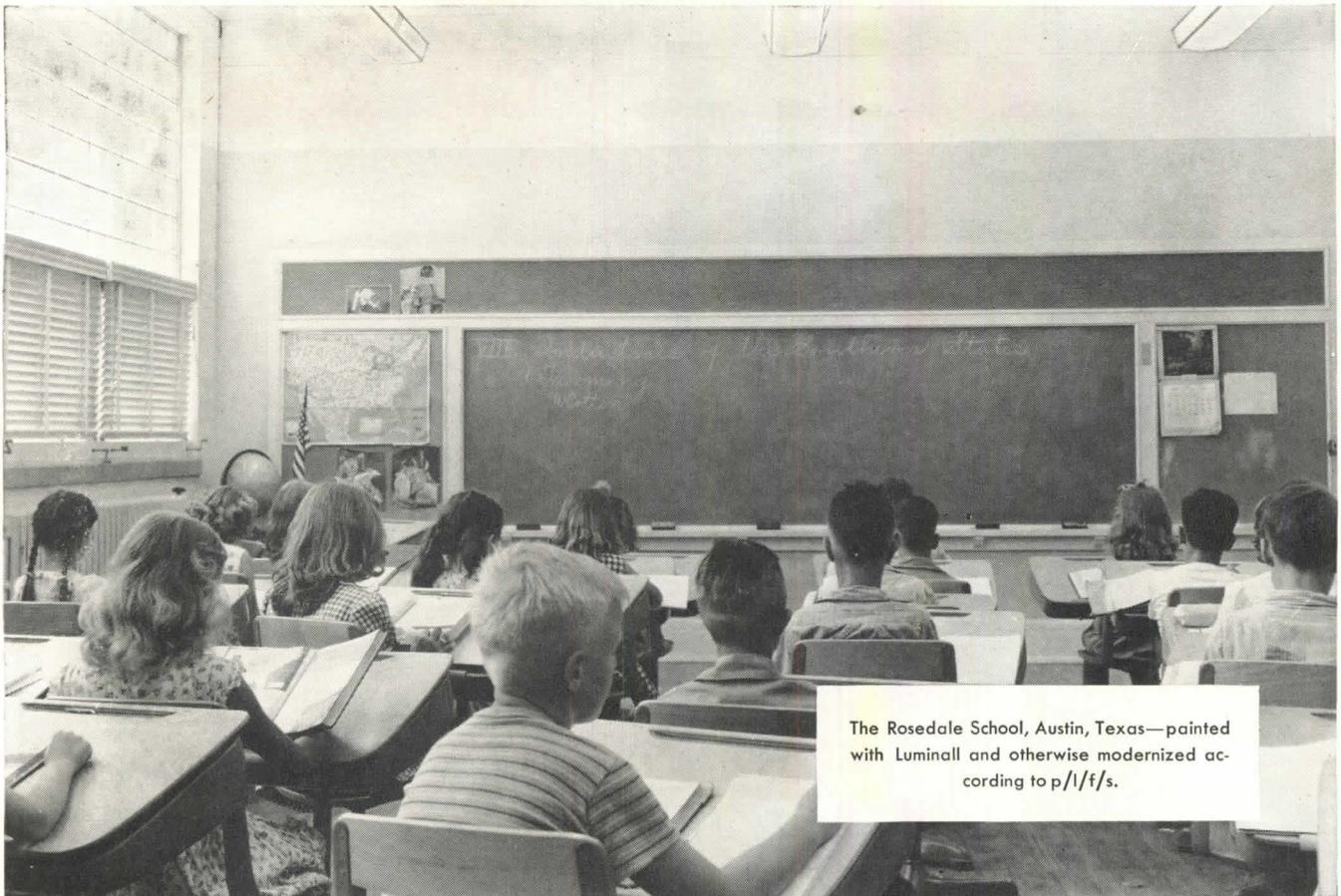
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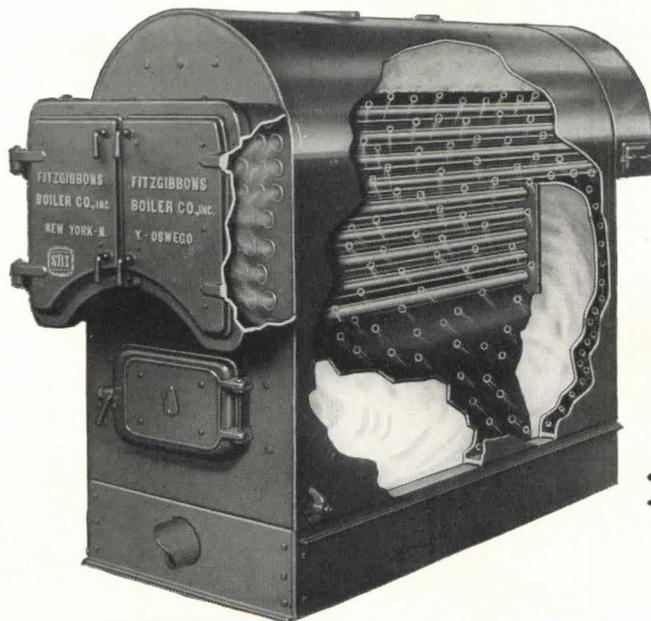
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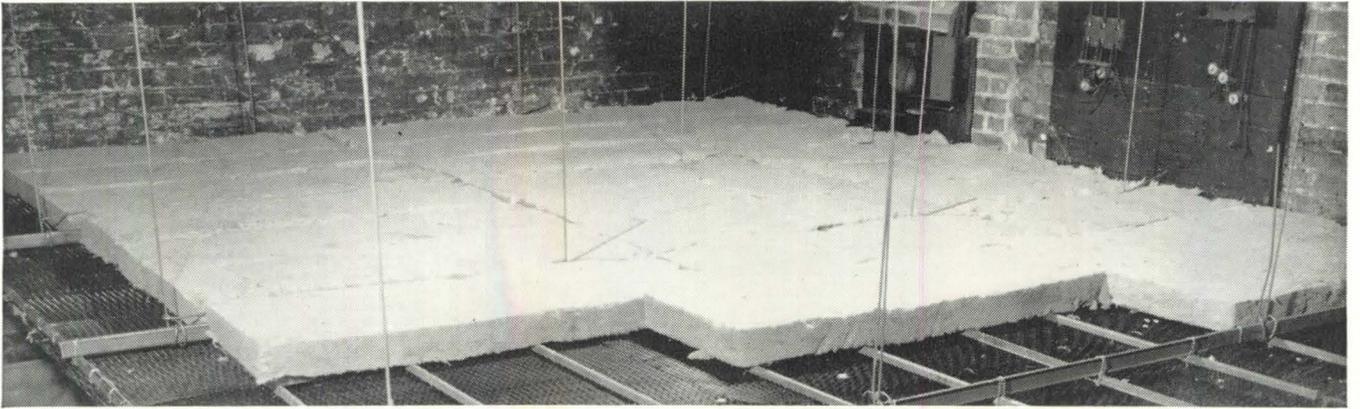
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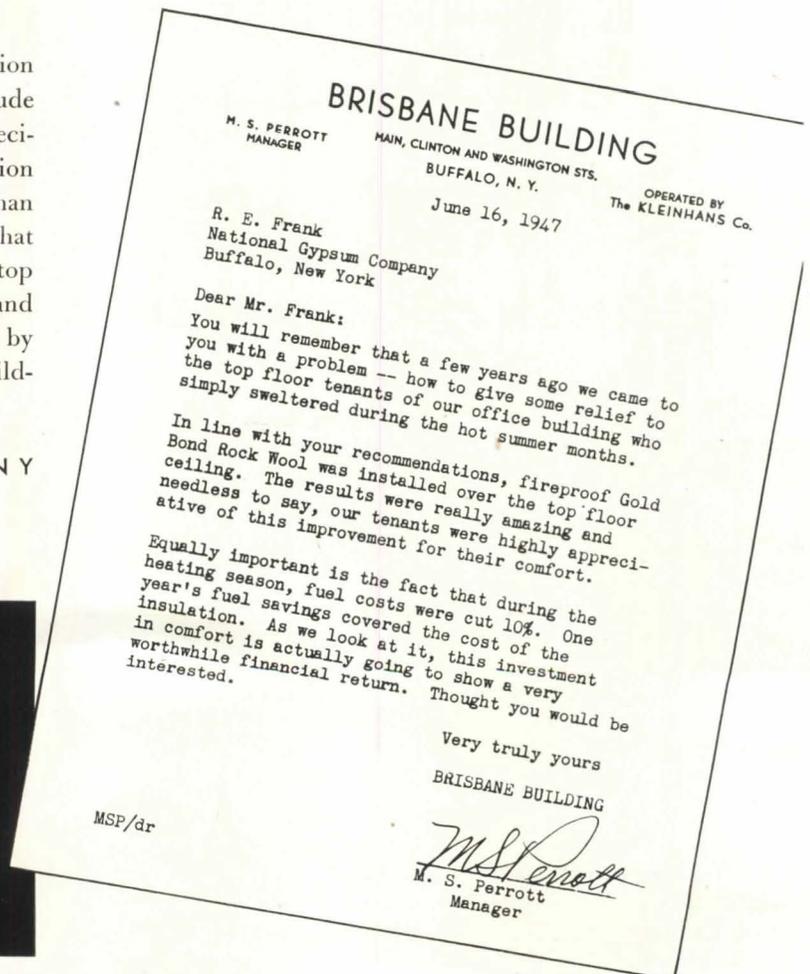


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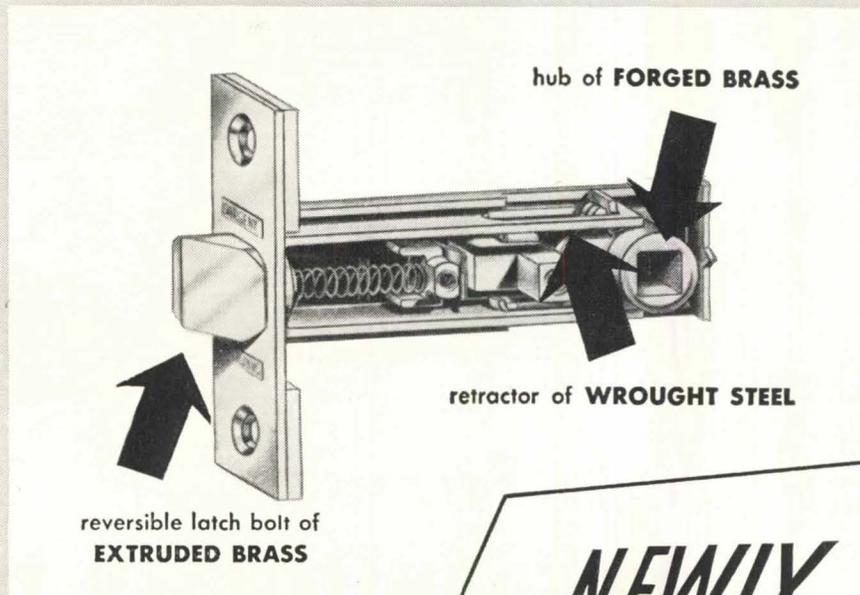
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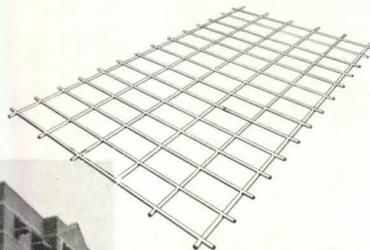
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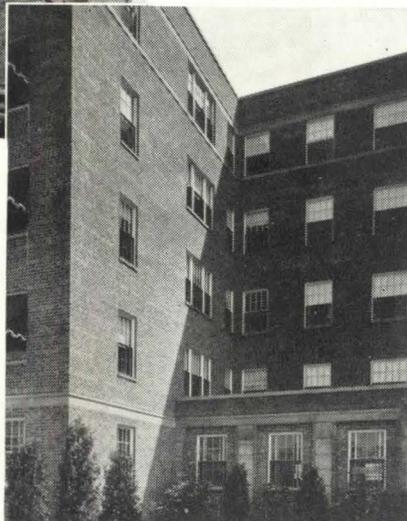
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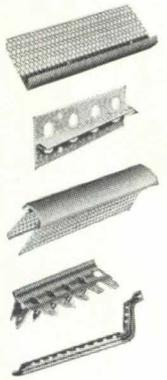


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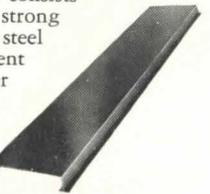
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← **Second** floor of Burglass Furniture store uses Insulux to flood interior display area with daylight. The No. 351 Insulux pattern used was designed specially to direct light upwards to the ceiling. From there it is re-directed deeper into the room, thus giving better light with fewer shadows. Contractors: Perilliatt-Rickey Construction Co., New Orleans, La.

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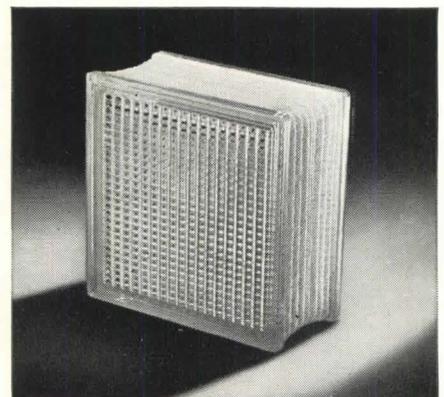
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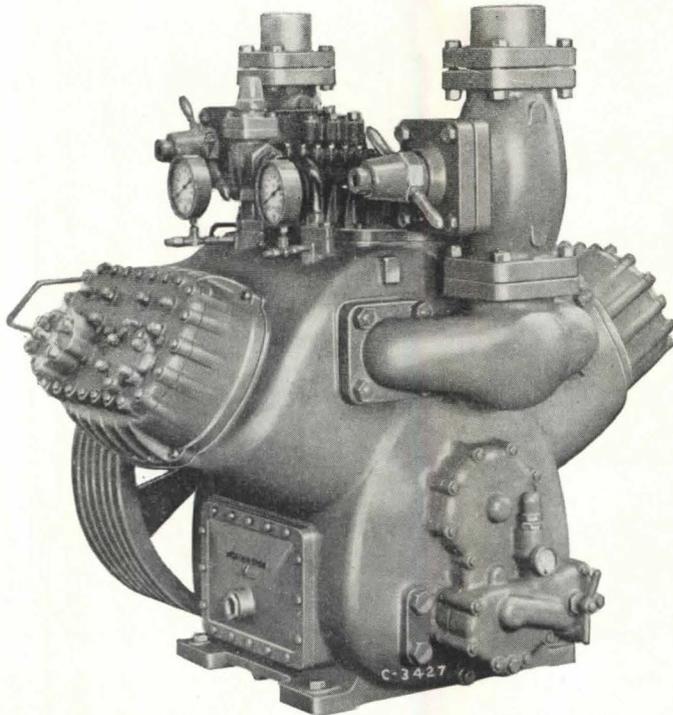
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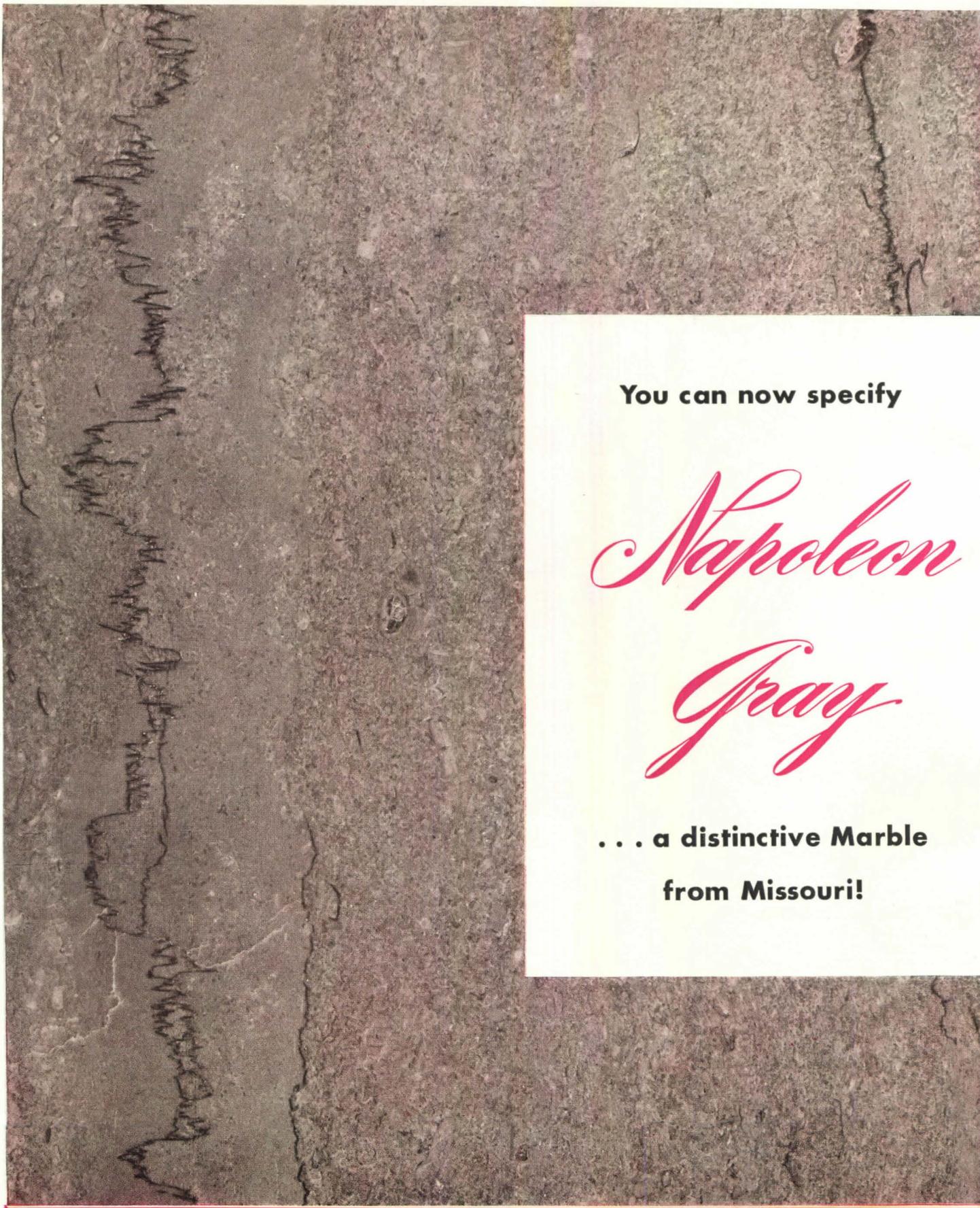
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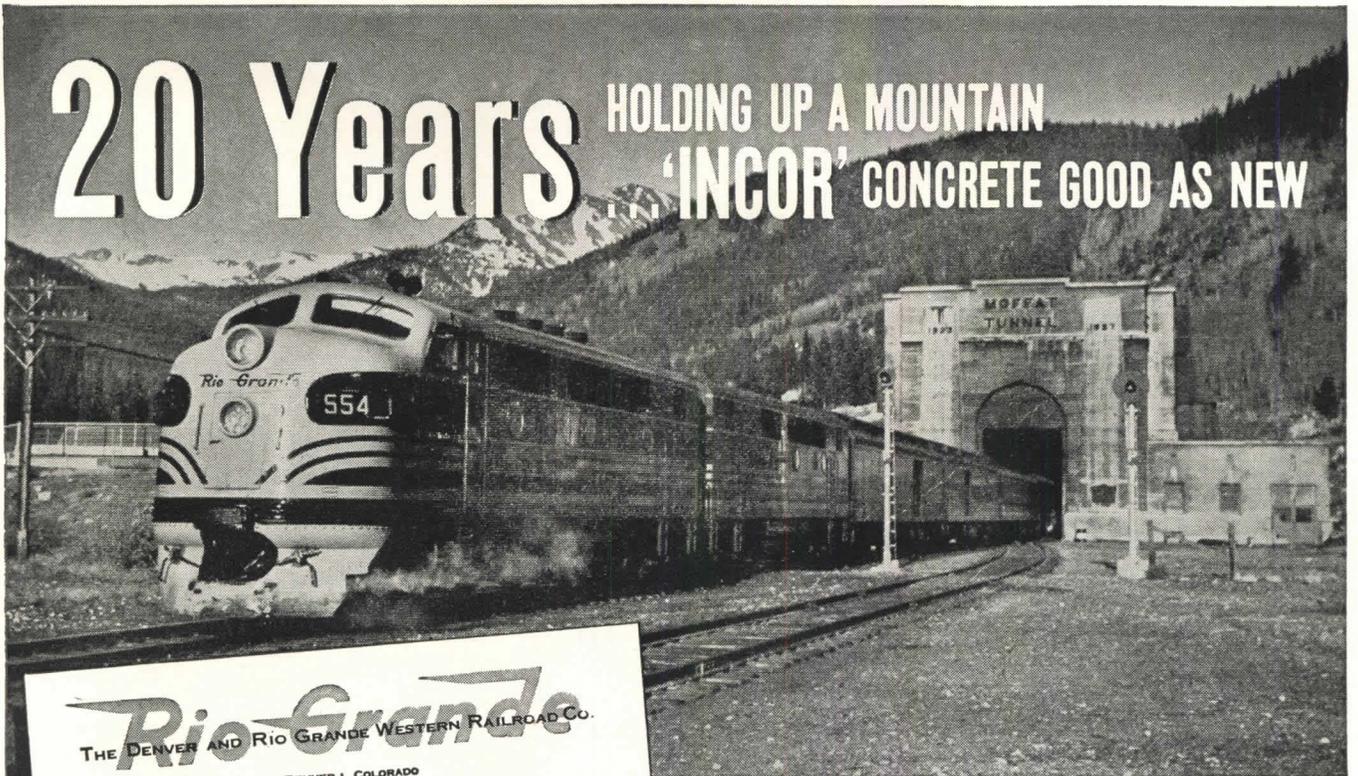
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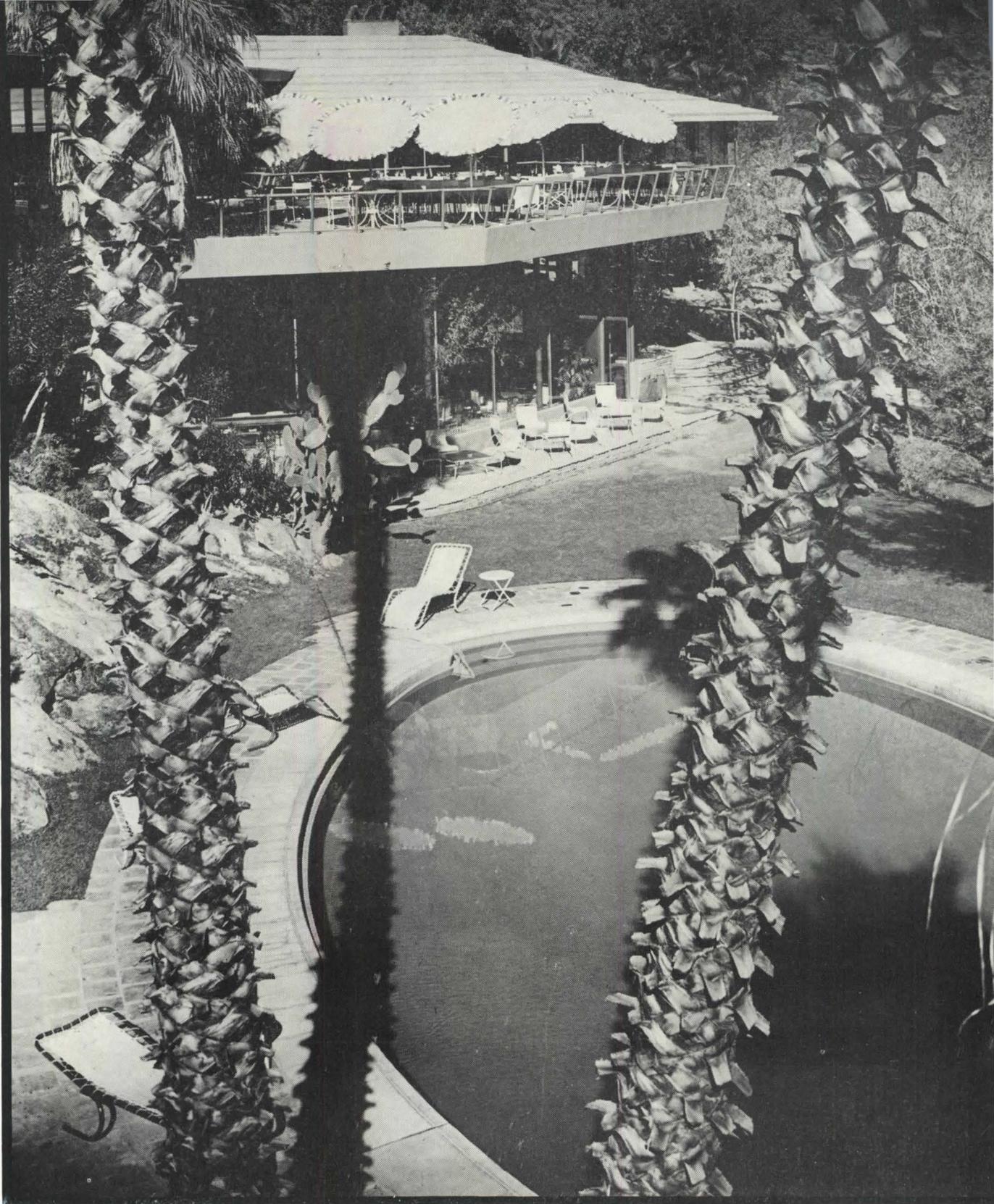
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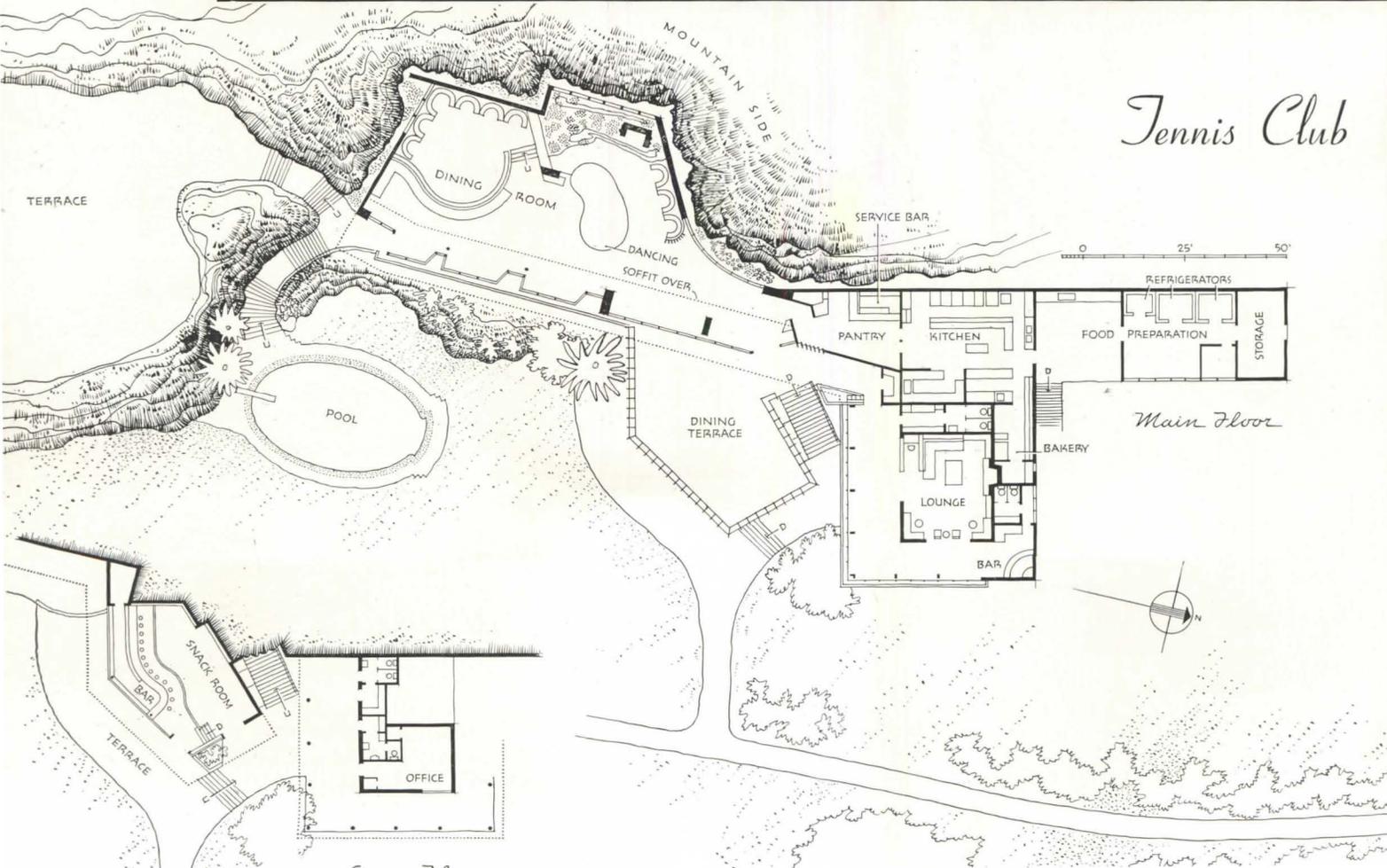


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## *Tennis Club,* PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA

PAUL R. WILLIAMS  
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A pleasure dome of rare device, this sparkling club house is quite as much a product of its unique site as it is of the functional requirements. Literally built into a mountain of rock, it looks out to the east over a serene view of the colorful near-by community and the miles of desert valley beyond.



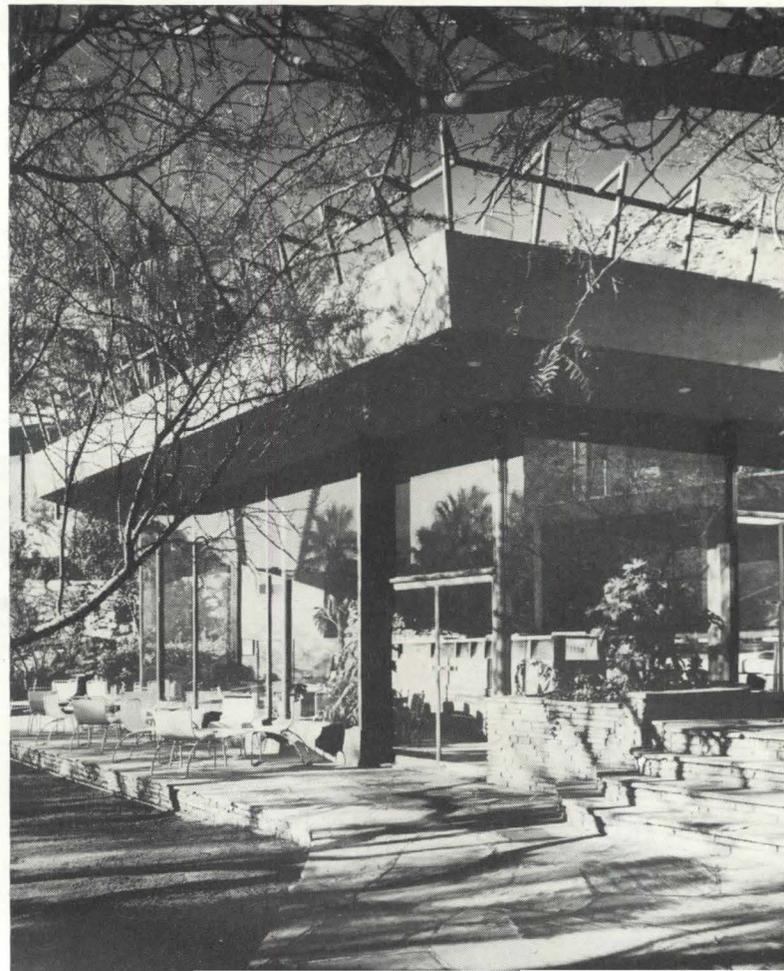


THE OUTDOOR DINING DECK (above) separates the dine-and-dance room from the quieter relaxation area provided in the lounge. Access to this main club floor is provided by both a stair at the right of the lower-level snack bar (below) and a stairway at the other end of the building leading up from the swimming pool (left of photo, facing page).

## PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA

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Rear walls of both the ground floor snack bar and the dining room above follow the contour of the rocky mountain at the back. The concrete structure is anchored into ledges blasted from the hillside. Further exploiting the dramatic site, windows on the rear walls of these rooms look directly onto the odd rock formation of the mountainside. Toward the valley view, almost continuous walls of glass are provided. The lounge and lanai are appropriately set apart from the activity rooms.





MAIN DINING ROOM. Note glass walls, and troughs with built-in light and conditioned-air sources.



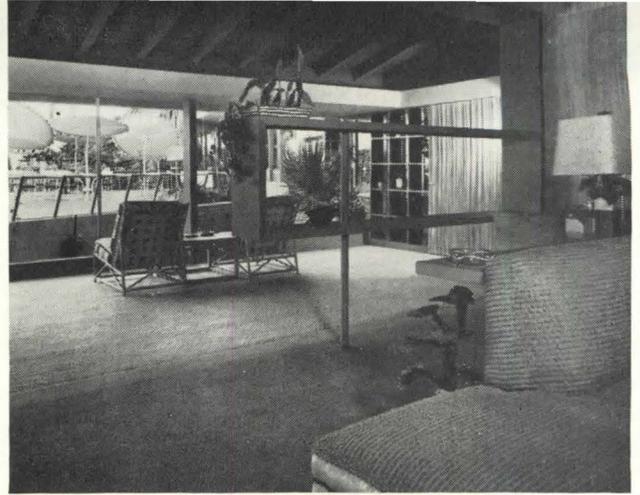
RAISED CORNER of dining room. Vertical wood strips surface the wall. At right, fireplace wall, with mountain-view windows at left.

# Jennis Club.

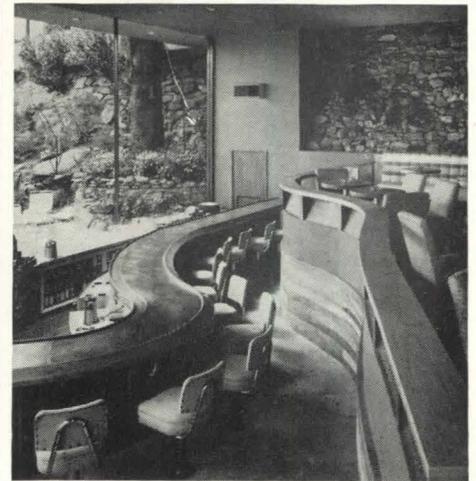
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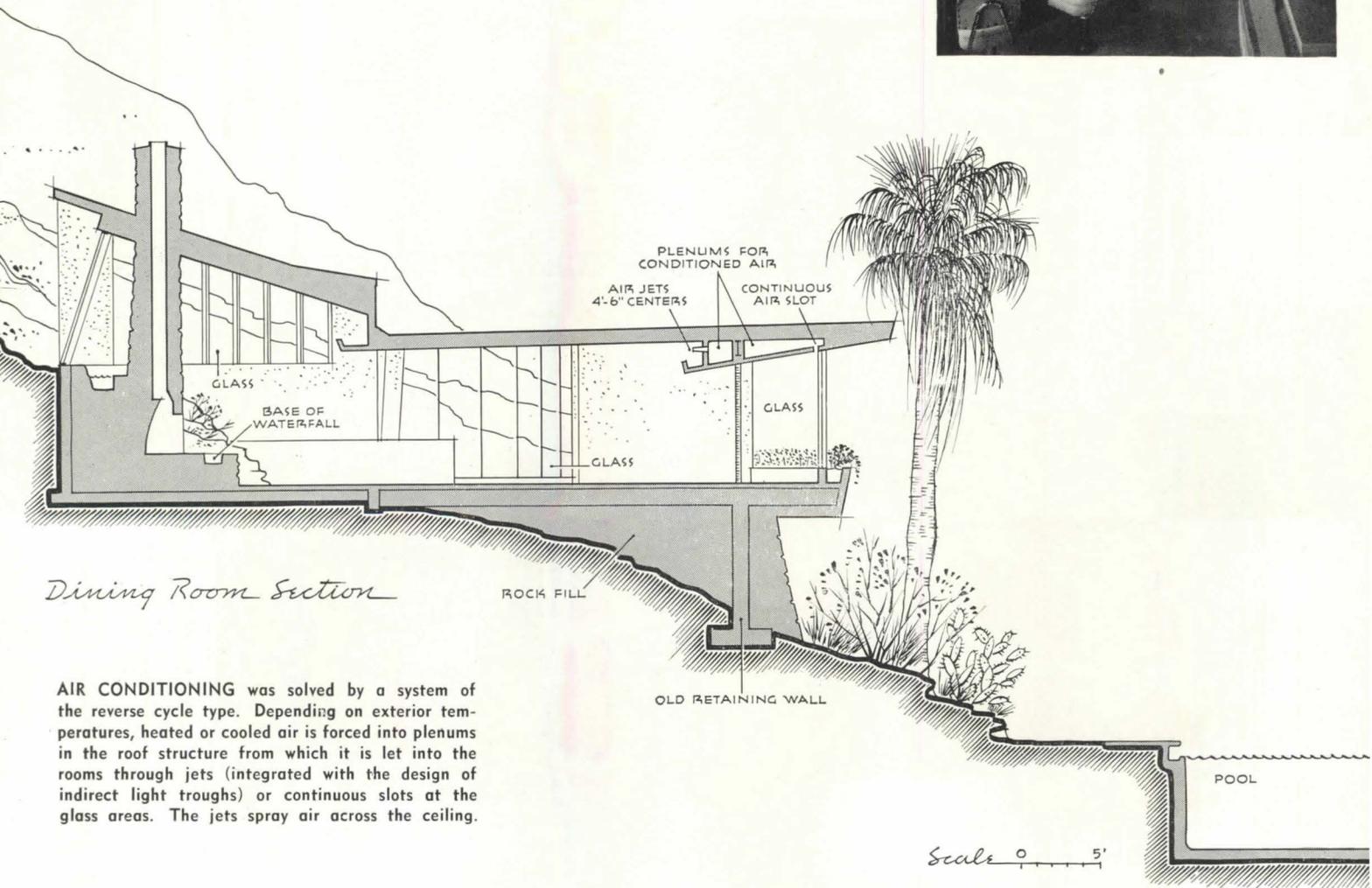
Use of the large glass areas produced the "by-problem" of high heat transmission. Modern equipment and skillful architectural design were joined to solve this problem (see section below). In both structure and finish, natural materials such as stone and plain wood strips help integrate the out- and indoor relationship emphasized by the glass walls.



LOUNGE, looking toward lanai and dining deck beyond.



SNACK BAR, arranged on two levels, with full view of the pool and gardens.



AIR CONDITIONING was solved by a system of the reverse cycle type. Depending on exterior temperatures, heated or cooled air is forced into plenums in the roof structure from which it is let into the rooms through jets (integrated with the design of indirect light troughs) or continuous slots at the glass areas. The jets spray air across the ceiling.

# Critique

## HEALTH FACILITIES

The term "health facility" covers a surprising number of types of buildings. While it obviously includes hospitals and offices for doctors, it goes way beyond these. In this Critique, for instance, the range extends from a huge metropolitan medical center to a rural health center. And in between these extremes are numerous special-purpose structures, new types of buildings, planned to serve new needs that have arisen from increased medical knowledge and improvements in health-care methods. Though complete coverage is impossible in a single issue of a magazine, there are included in the group at least two buildings for which (so far as we know) no precedent whatsoever exists—a county blood bank and an institute planned from scratch for the treatment of alcoholic patients.

To look over this diverse material and give us—and you—the benefit of their invaluable knowledge, we were fortunate to enlist the help of three distinguished experts in their fields—Addison Erdman, hospital specialist with the firm of Charles Butler, Robert D. Kohn, and Addison Erdman, Architects Associated, and co-author of the recent book, "Hospital Planning"; Dr. J. J. Golub, superintendent of the New York Hospital for Joint Diseases, former associate of Dr. S. S. Goldwater, and a well known hospital consultant; and Edward D. Stone, prominent New York architect whose contemporary design work has been widely heralded.

Please notice that this is a critical analysis of several excellent buildings that serve one basic purpose—health care—rather than any attempt to conduct a survey of a single building type. As we see it, this is the appropriate function of a magazine. For a comprehensive study of a single building type—hospitals, for instance—the broader dimensions of a book are required. We have mentioned the one on which Mr. Erdman collaborated, published by F. W. Dodge. Another invaluable treatise is the recent "HOSPITALS—Integrated Design," by Isadore Rosenfield. Put out by Reinhold, it is Number 1 in our planned series of building-type books known as the PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE LIBRARY.

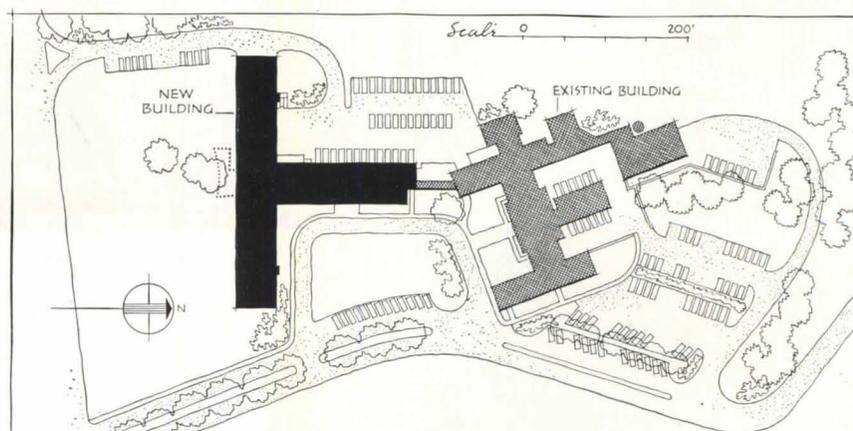
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SKIDMORE, OWINGS & MERRILL, Architects  
CLAUDE W. MUNGER, M.D., Consultant

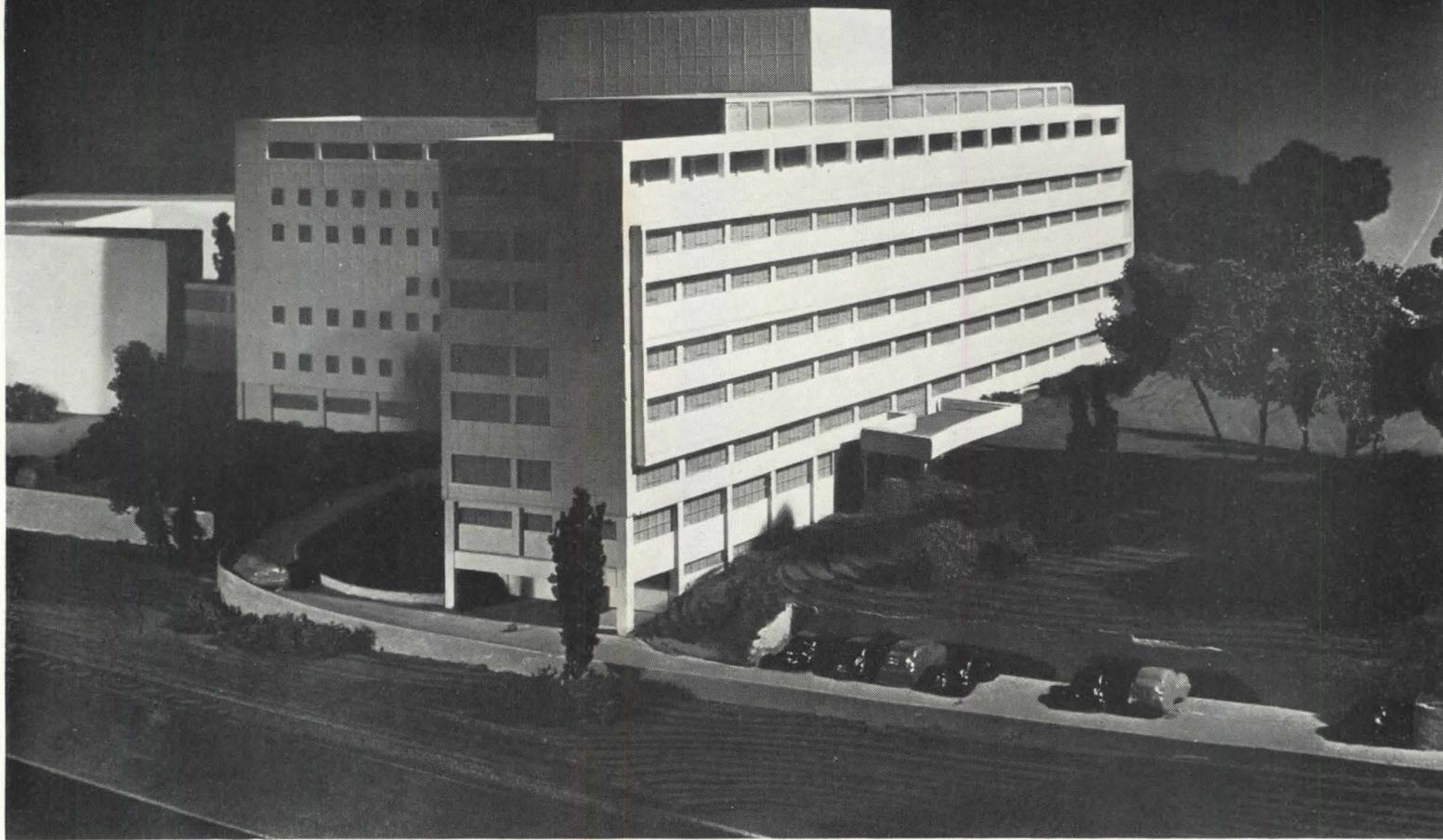


Ben Schnall Photos of Model

NEW HOSPITAL, left; existing plant, right.



Plot Plan



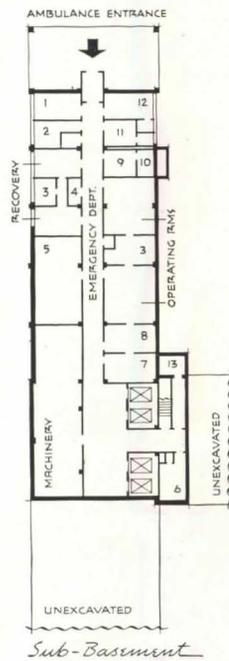
VIEW FROM SOUTHWEST. Wall-to-wall windows line the patients' rooms along upper floors of the south wall.

**PROBLEM:** To design a 222-bed hospital to be joined with the present structure, which will become the Outpatient Department and a nursing school and residence.

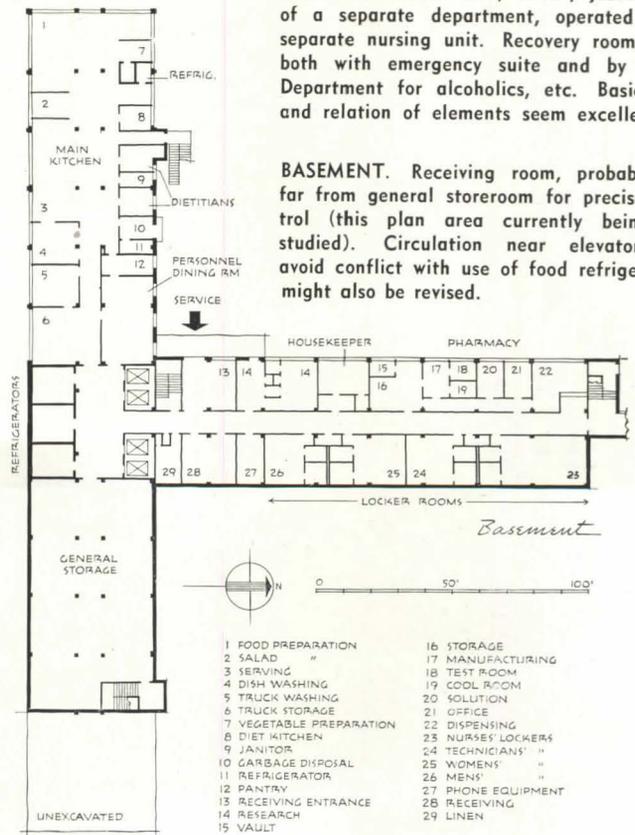
**SITE:** Sloping ground on the present hospital site.

**MAIN POINTS ADMIRERD:** General organization of the building, with most patients' rooms oriented for optimum sunshine and so arranged along the rear face of the structure that they are apart from sights and sounds of both the visitors' and service entrances; provisions for future expansion; the direct architectural expression of the plan and structural scheme.

**CHIEF POINTS QUESTIONED:** Mainly plan details, such as justification of a separate—and separately staffed—emergency department on the hospital's sub-basement floor; organization of storage space in relation to receiving office; the economy of having a nurses' station, a separate diet kitchen, etc., in each 22-bed half of the typical ward floor, etc.



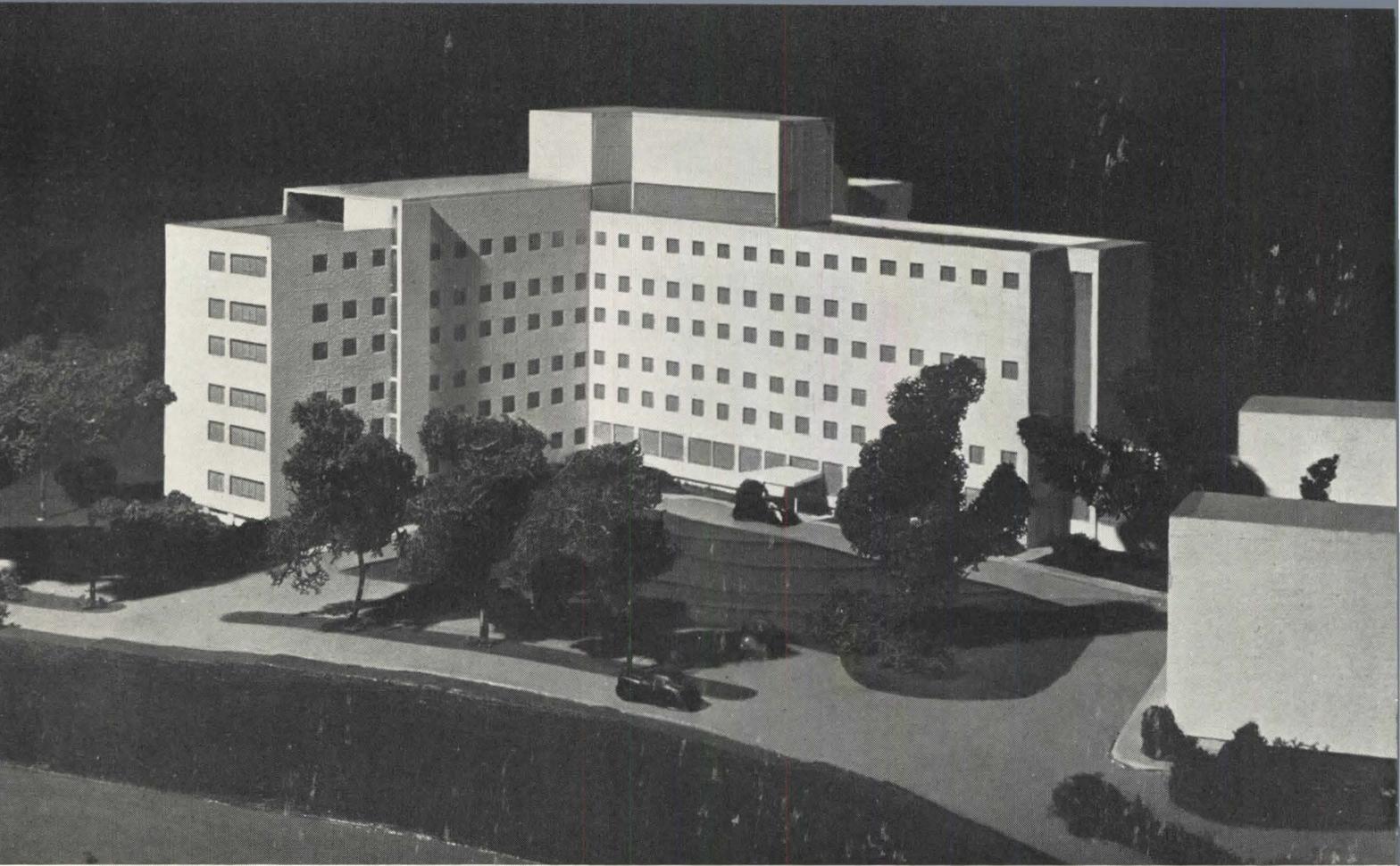
- 1 LITTERS
- 2 AMBULANCE STORES
- 3 UTILITY
- 4 COAT CLOSET
- 5 STORAGE
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- 7 SPLINTS
- 8 PLASTER
- 9 X-RAY
- 10 DARK RM
- 11 NURSES STATION
- 12 WAITING RM
- 13 HOIST



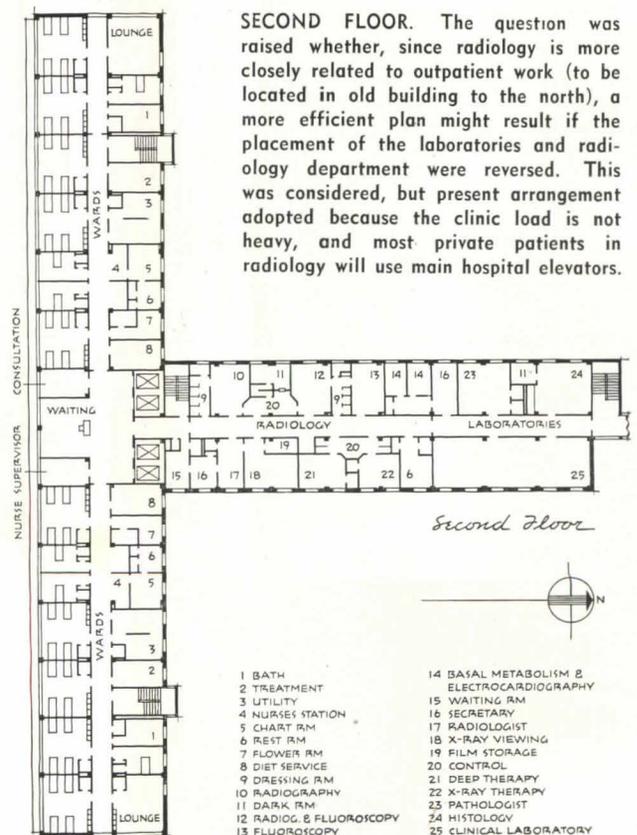
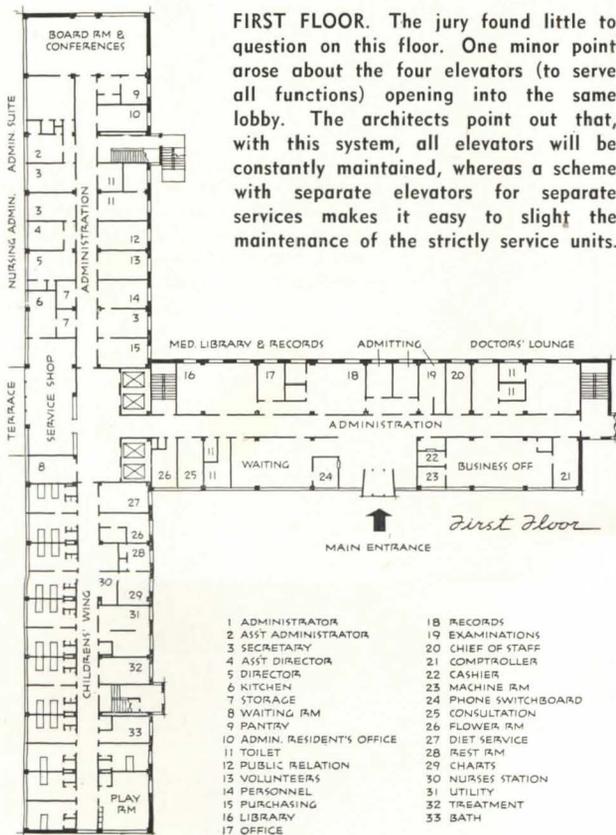
- 1 FOOD PREPARATION
- 2 SALAD "
- 3 SERVING "
- 4 DISH WASHING
- 5 TRUCK WASHING
- 6 TRUCK STORAGE
- 7 VEGETABLE PREPARATION
- 8 DIET KITCHEN
- 9 JANITOR
- 10 GARBAGE DISPOSAL
- 11 REFRIGERATOR
- 12 PANTRY
- 13 RECEIVING ENTRANCE
- 14 RESEARCH
- 15 VAULT
- 16 STORAGE
- 17 MANUFACTURING
- 18 TEST ROOM
- 19 COOL ROOM
- 20 SOLUTION
- 21 OFFICE
- 22 DISPENSING
- 23 NURSES' LOCKERS
- 24 TECHNICIANS' "
- 25 WOMENS' "
- 26 MENS' "
- 27 PHONE EQUIPMENT
- 28 RECEIVING
- 29 LINEN

**SUB-BASEMENT.** Emergency cases are high in the Greenwich area; hence, justification of a separate department, operated as a separate nursing unit. Recovery rooms used both with emergency suite and by Police Department for alcoholics, etc. Basic plan and relation of elements seem excellent.

**BASEMENT.** Receiving room, probably too far from general storeroom for precise control (this plan area currently being re-studied). Circulation near elevators, to avoid conflict with use of food refrigerators, might also be revised.



VISITORS' AND BUSINESS ENTRANCE occurs in the east wall of the north wing.

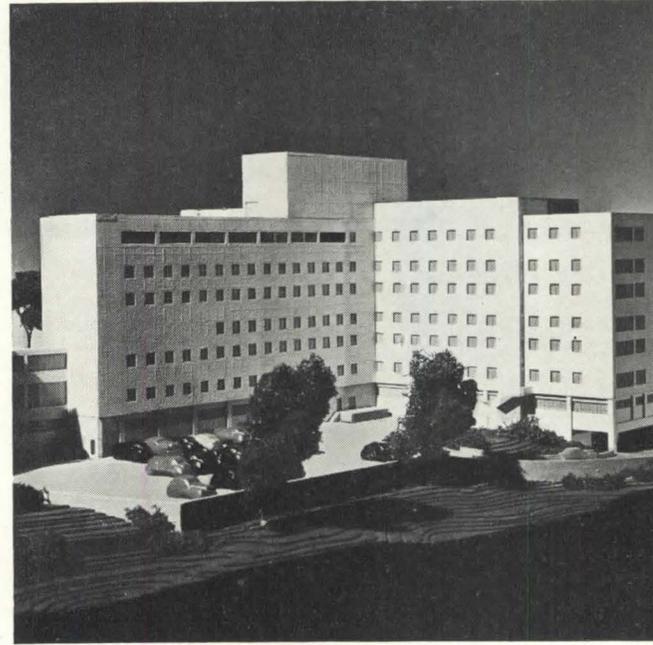


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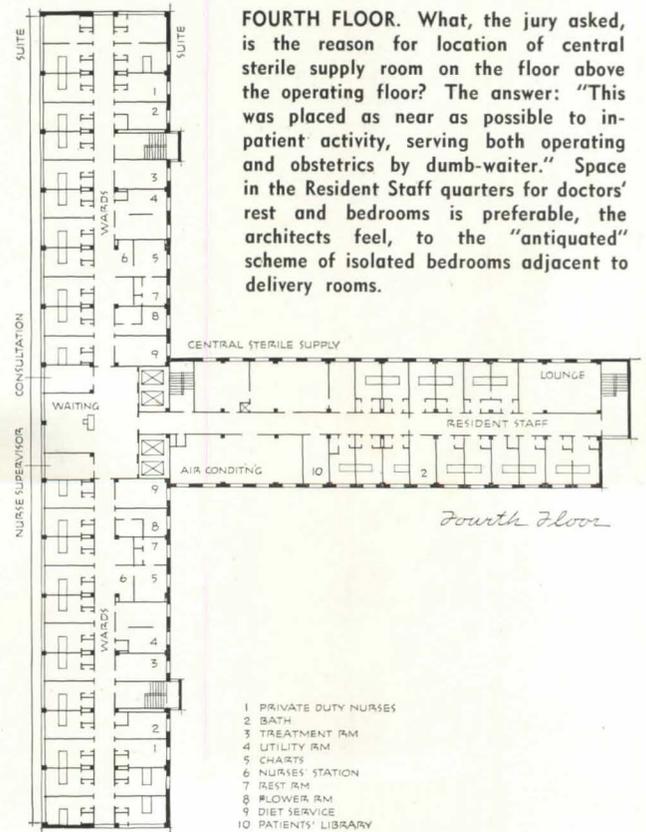
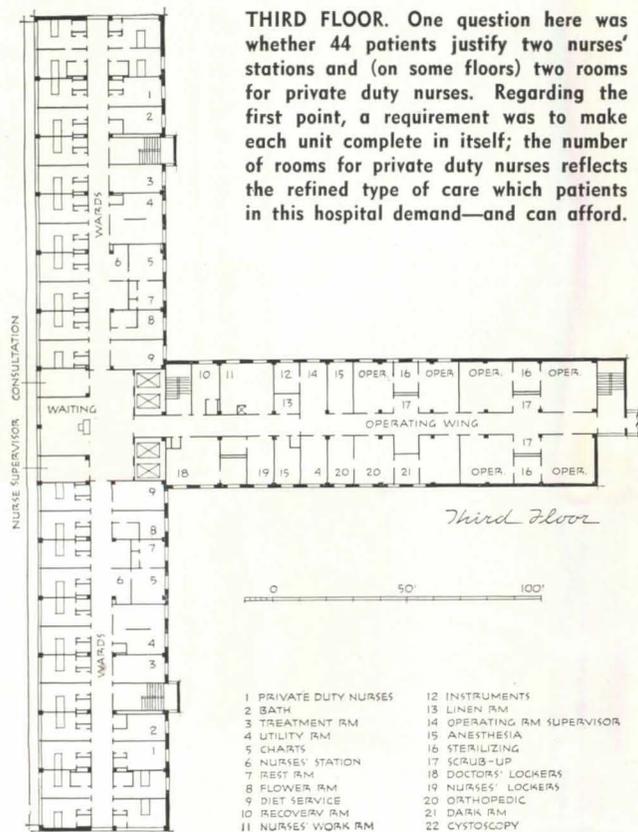
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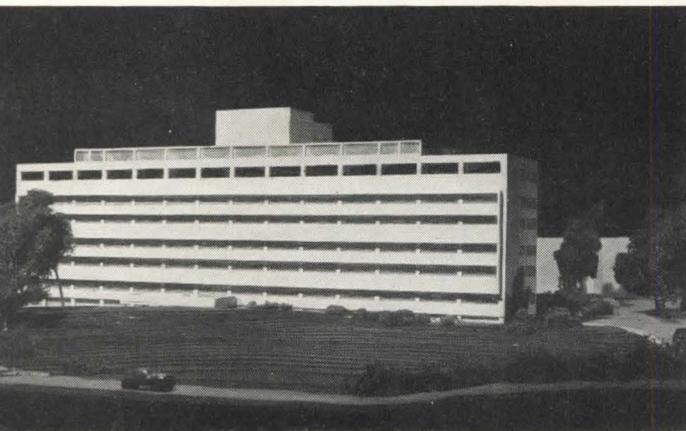
The parti for the design is a T-shaped scheme, with most of the patients' rooms in the cross bar of the T, facing south, and administrative offices, operating suites, laboratories, etc., in the stem of the T, which is joined to the existing plant (future Outpatient Department and nurses' home and school) on the four lower levels. The typical nursing floor, consisting of twin units, is arranged symmetrically either side of the central elevator lobby, and each is a complete unit with its own nurses' station, chart room, diet service room, etc., so that no spaces have to be shared.

Because of the character of this community, a majority of the rooms are one- and two-bedrooms rather than wards. As the architects tell us: "The entire staff requested complete nursing units, and these are justifiable in Greenwich." Future expansion can be handled by additions to either the east or west ends of the nursing unit wings.



DELIVERY, SUPPLIES, etc., are on the west.



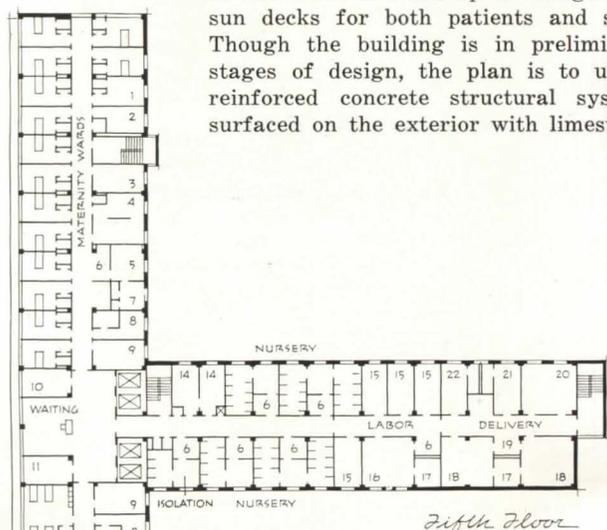
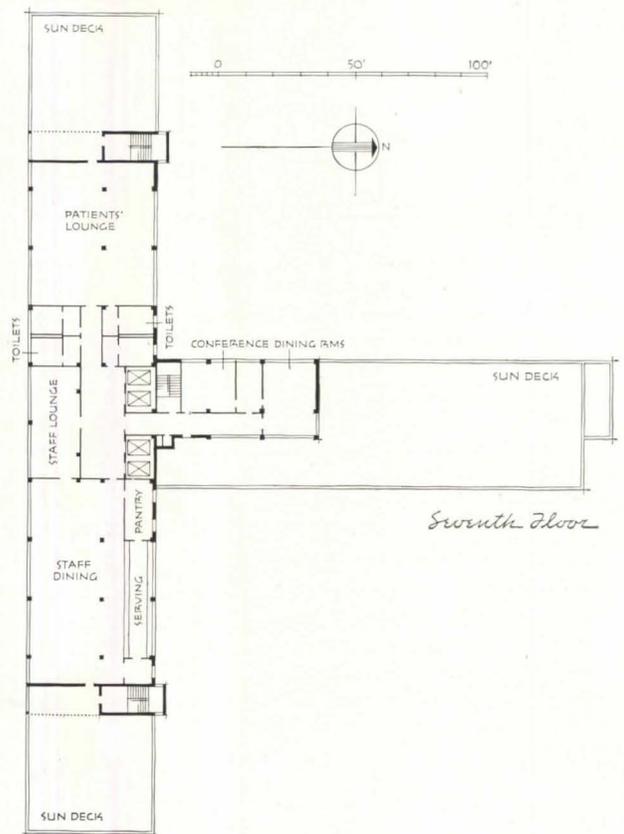


SOUTHERN FRONT

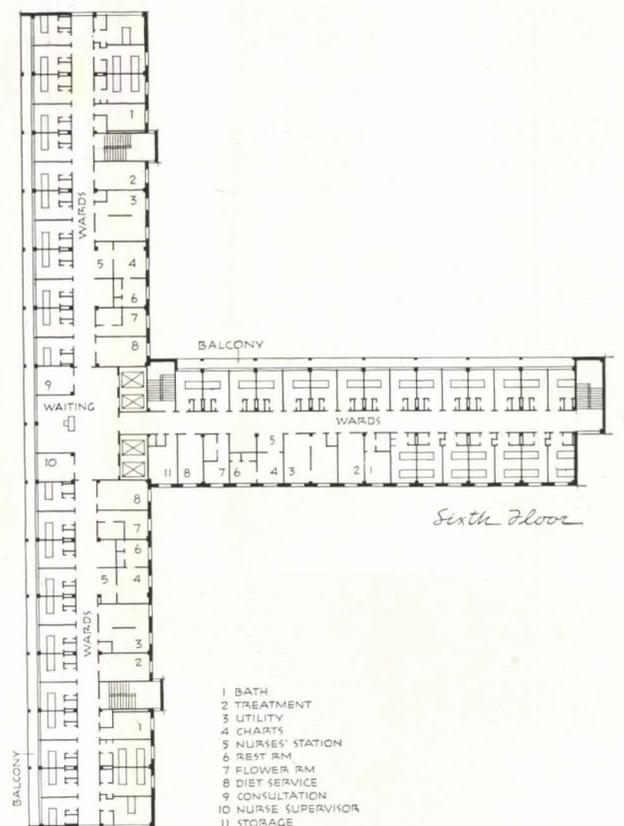
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GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT

SKIDMORE, OWINGS & MERRILL, Architects

Typical pairs of nursing units occur on the second, third, and fourth floors. The entire fifth floor is given over to maternity services; the sixth floor is untypical in that it includes a third nursing unit in the wing to the north, and the seventh or roof floor is made up of lounges and sun decks for both patients and staff. Though the building is in preliminary stages of design, the plan is to use a reinforced concrete structural system, surfaced on the exterior with limestone.



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| 1 PRIVATE DUTY NURSES | 13 PATIENTS' LOUNGE |
| 2 BATH                | 14 FORMULA LAB.     |
| 3 TREATMENTS          | 15 LABOR RM.        |
| 4 UTILITY             | 16 PRECAUTION LABOR |
| 5 CHARTS              | 17 AND DELIVERY     |
| 6 NURSES' STATION     | 18 STERILIZING      |
| 7 REST RM.            | 19 DELIVERY RM.     |
| 8 FLOWER RM.          | 20 SCRUB-UP         |
| 9 DIET SERVICE        | 21 NURSES' WORK RM. |
| 10 CONSULTATIONS      | 22 DOCTORS' LOCKERS |
| 11 NURSE SUPERVISOR   |                     |
| 12 ADMITTING RM.      |                     |



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| 3 UTILITY           |
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| 8 DIET SERVICE      |
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| 10 NURSE SUPERVISOR |
| 11 STORAGE          |



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## 2 . . . SOUTHERN HOSPITAL, STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

HJALMAR CEDERSTROM  
Architect

**PROBLEM:** To develop a municipal, 1200-bed central hospital—Mr. Cederstrom refers to it as a “public health center”—including every diagnostic and therapeutic facility known to medical science, as one of the major keys in the nation’s social health and welfare program. To provide for prevention and early treatment quite as much as for the more acute problems of inpatient service.

**SITE:** An open hilltop above Arster Bay in the Sodermalm section of Stockholm.

**MAIN POINTS ADMIRIED:** The concept of developing this institution as an integral part of a program for the nation; the excellent separation and interrelation of outpatient and inpatient departments; the planning of the typical 32-bed nursing unit.

**CHIEF POINTS QUESTIONED:** The desirability of so large a unit; whether several related but smaller buildings might not be preferable to a vast single structure.



RAMP LEVEL  
ENTRANCE TO  
POLYCLINICS

GROUND LEVEL  
ENTRANCE FOR  
VISITORS

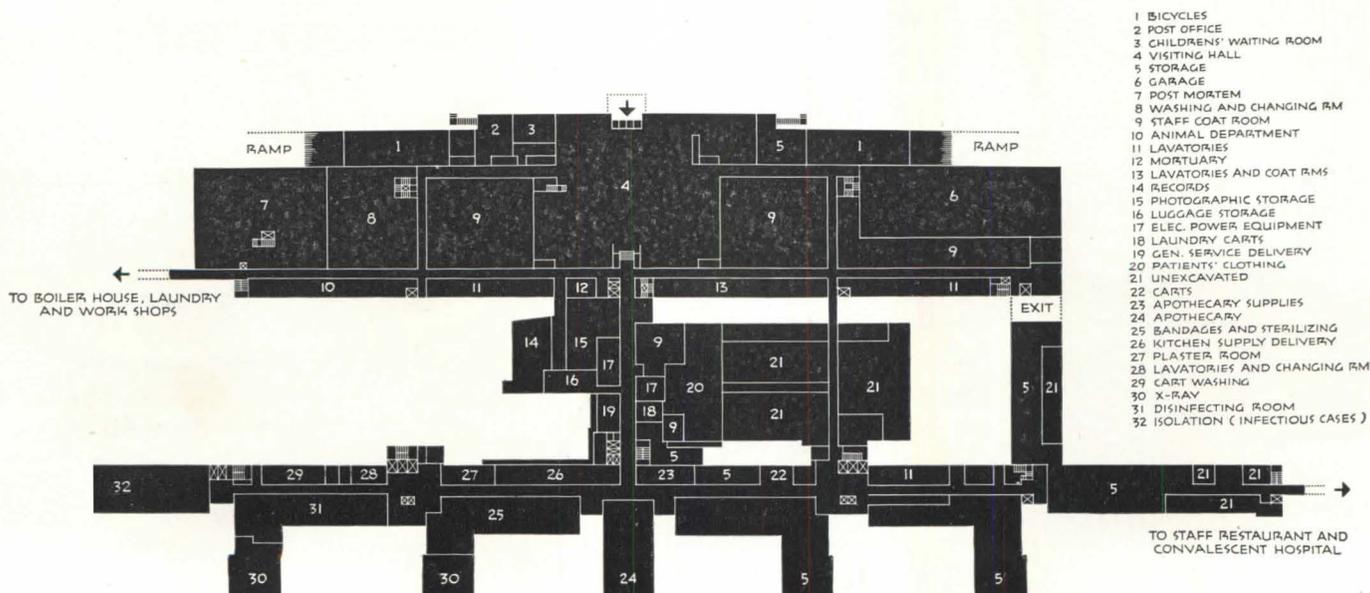
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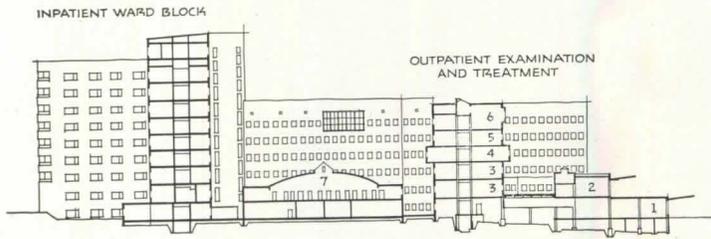
## 2 . . SOUTHERN HOSPITAL, STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

HJALMAR CEDERSTROM, Architect

Experts from all over the world worked with Mr. Cederstrom and the other authorities in determining basic needs and the planning approach. From this research, which continued over a number of years, the decision was reached to develop the plan as a "double block" scheme, with the main, 9-story mass of the wards and nursing units (inpatient facilities) organized in a broad wing with projecting bays on the south, and the outpatient polyclinics, X-ray departments, operating theaters, etc., in a lower, parallel building toward the north.

Transverse wings that include services related to the adjacent departments join the north and south blocks, and ambulance and service entrances occur to the west, within the court formed by the main building masses. Principal entrances occur on the north and are arranged on two levels—patients and visitors for the nursing-unit block entering at the lower level, passing through the building and so, by elevator, up to ward floors; outpatients who come for examination and treatment entering via the upper-level ramp.





1. Visitors' Entrance Hall
2. Entrance to Polyclinics
3. Polyclinics
4. X-ray Department
5. Central Laboratories
6. Operating Theaters
7. Physical Therapy

There are two main sets of vertical transportation—one for inpatients and visitors (south wing); the other, to serve outpatients in the north wing. Horizontal communication is provided within the transverse wings at the two entrance levels and on four floors above.

Underground, blasted from solid rock is a gas- and bombproof shelter, where the hospital facilities are repeated at smaller scale. Here, in case of emergency, is space for 2,500 persons, including 1,000 bed patients. Elevators reach this level, but in case of power failure, there is also access by ramp.



OUTPATIENT ENTRANCE HALL (upper level). Cloakroom, right.

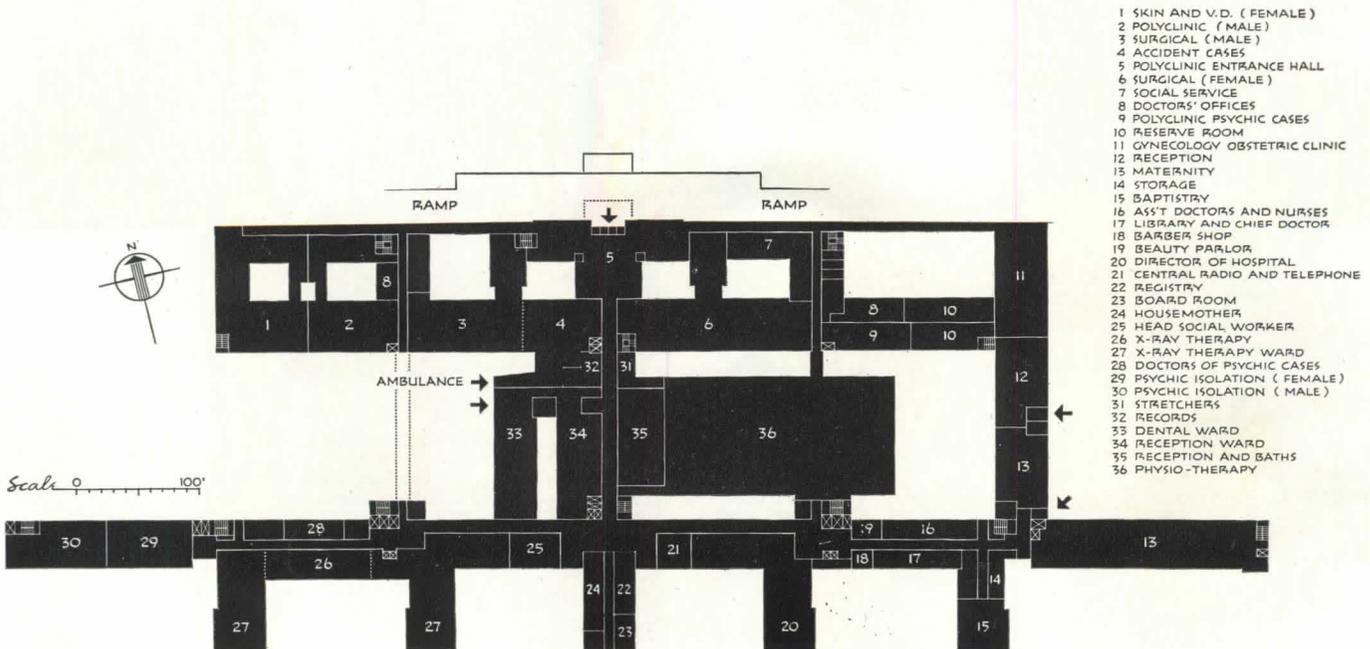


VISITORS' ENTRANCE HALL, skylighted from courtyard above.



AMBULANCE ENTRANCE: Accident cases, left; medical, right.

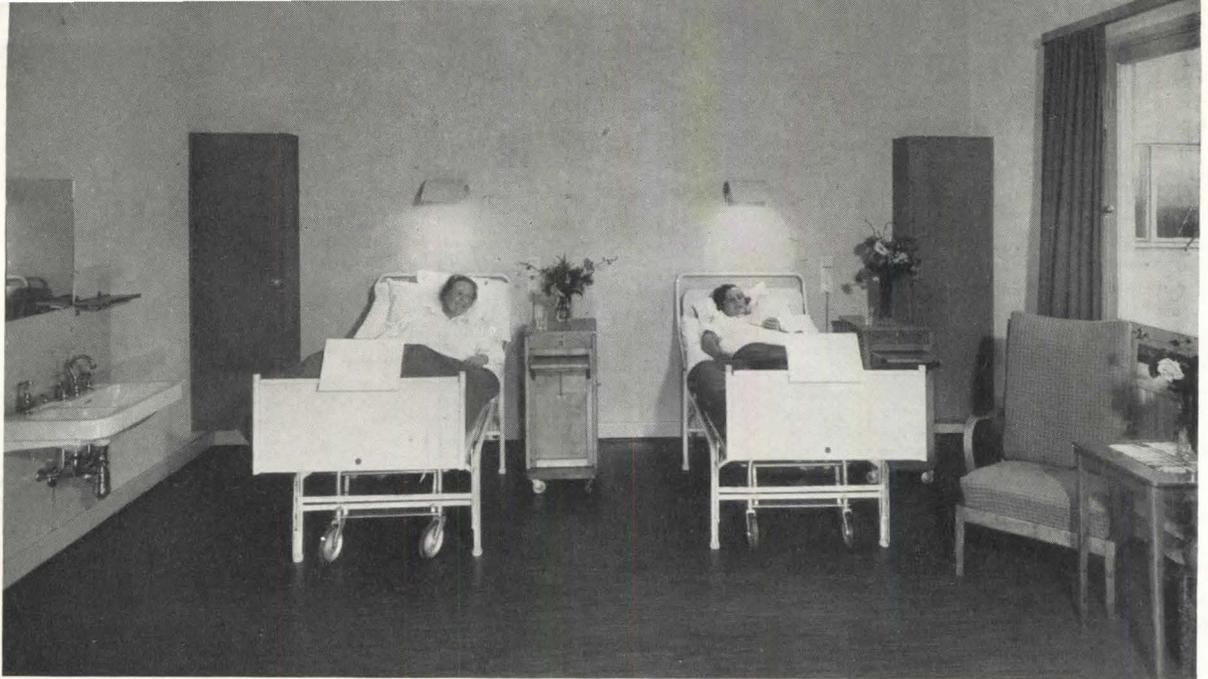
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- 1 SKIN AND V.D. ( FEMALE )
- 2 POLYCLINIC ( MALE )
- 3 SURGICAL ( MALE )
- 4 ACCIDENT CASES
- 5 POLYCLINIC ENTRANCE HALL
- 6 SURGICAL ( FEMALE )
- 7 SOCIAL SERVICE
- 8 DOCTORS' OFFICES
- 9 POLYCLINIC PSYCHIC CASES
- 10 RESERVE ROOM
- 11 GYNECOLOGY OBSTETRIC CLINIC
- 12 RECEPTION
- 13 MATERNITY
- 14 STORAGE
- 15 BAPTISTRY
- 16 ASST DOCTORS AND NURSES
- 17 LIBRARY AND CHIEF DOCTOR
- 18 BARBER SHOP
- 19 BEAUTY PARLOR
- 20 DIRECTOR OF HOSPITAL
- 21 CENTRAL RADIO AND TELEPHONE
- 22 REGISTRY
- 23 BOARD ROOM
- 24 HOUSEMOTHER
- 25 HEAD SOCIAL WORKER
- 26 X-RAY THERAPY
- 27 X-RAY THERAPY WARD
- 28 DOCTORS OF PSYCHIC CASES
- 29 PSYCHIC ISOLATION ( FEMALE )
- 30 PSYCHIC ISOLATION ( MALE )
- 31 STRETCHERS
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- 33 DENTAL WARD
- 34 RECEPTION WARD
- 35 RECEPTION AND BATHS
- 36 PHYSIO-THERAPY

RAMP LEVEL

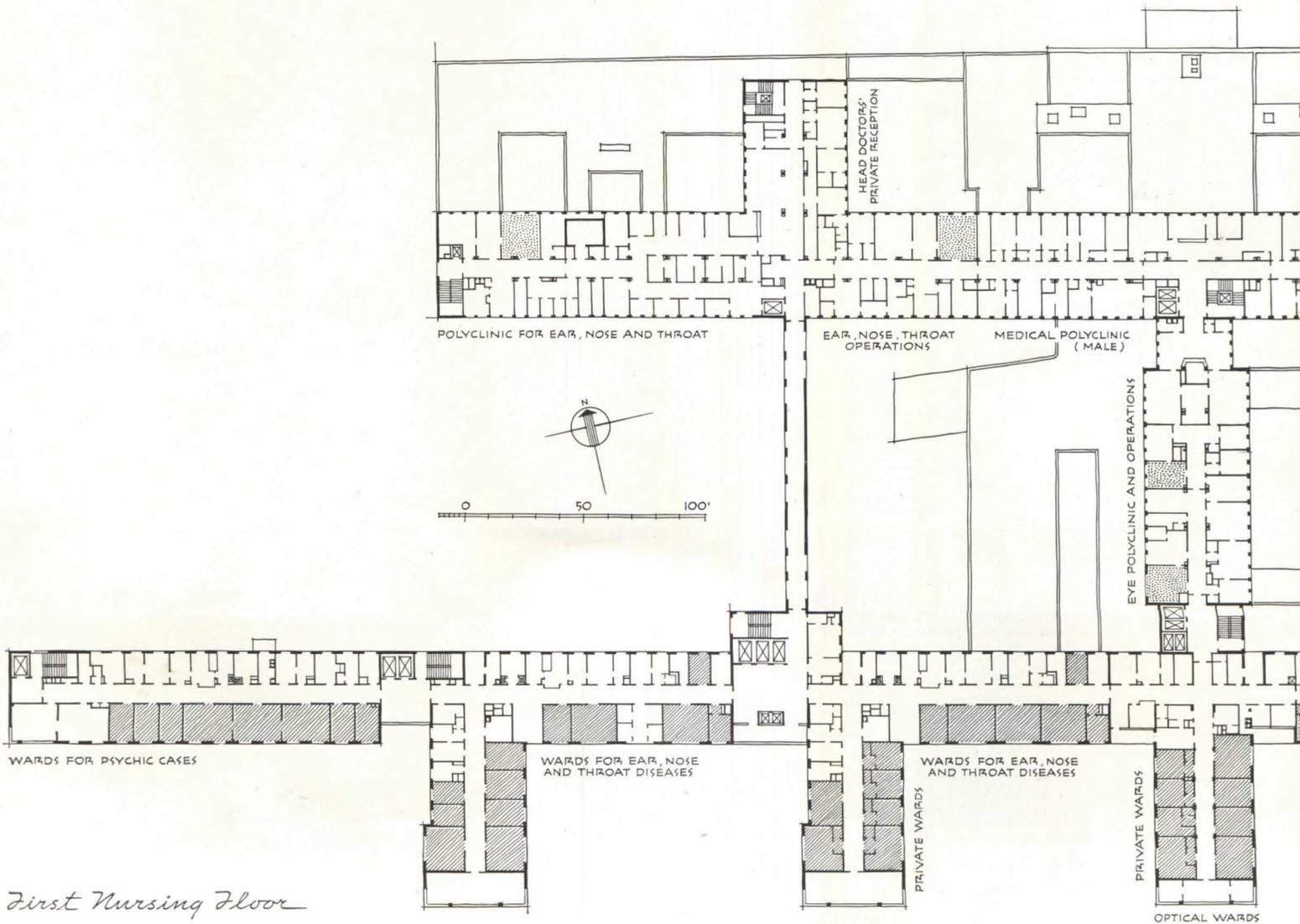
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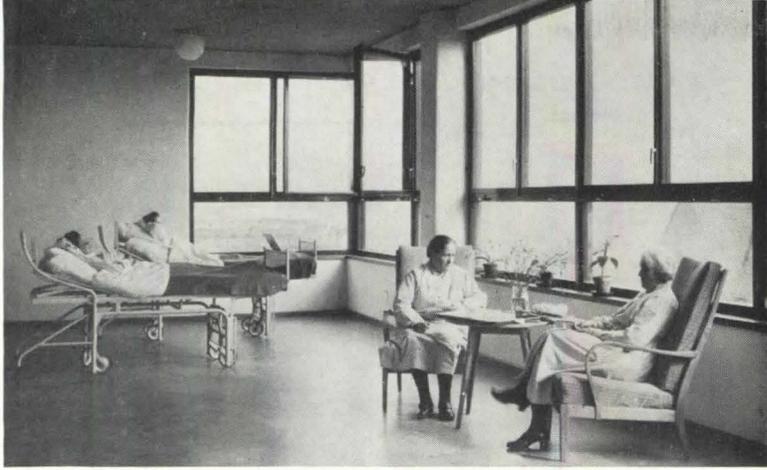
One side of a 4-BED ROOM

## 2 . . . SOUTHERN HOSPITAL, STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

HJALMAR CEDERSTROM, Architect



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SOLARIUM

The typical L-shaped ward or nursing unit is duplicated more than 30 times in the southern inpatient wing. Thirty-two patients are cared for in each ward: 5 rooms for 4 patients; 4 rooms for 2 patients; and 4 rooms for a single patient. Convalescents use the big general solarium at the end of each southern bay. Although each floor varies in detail, the floor plan below clearly shows the basic plan organization—the clinic block, the ward block, and the connecting corridors and central services used by both nursing units and polyclinics.

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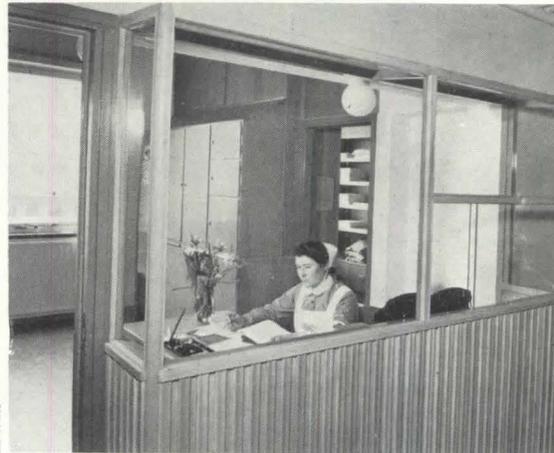
WARD CORRIDOR—opening to dayroom, at left.

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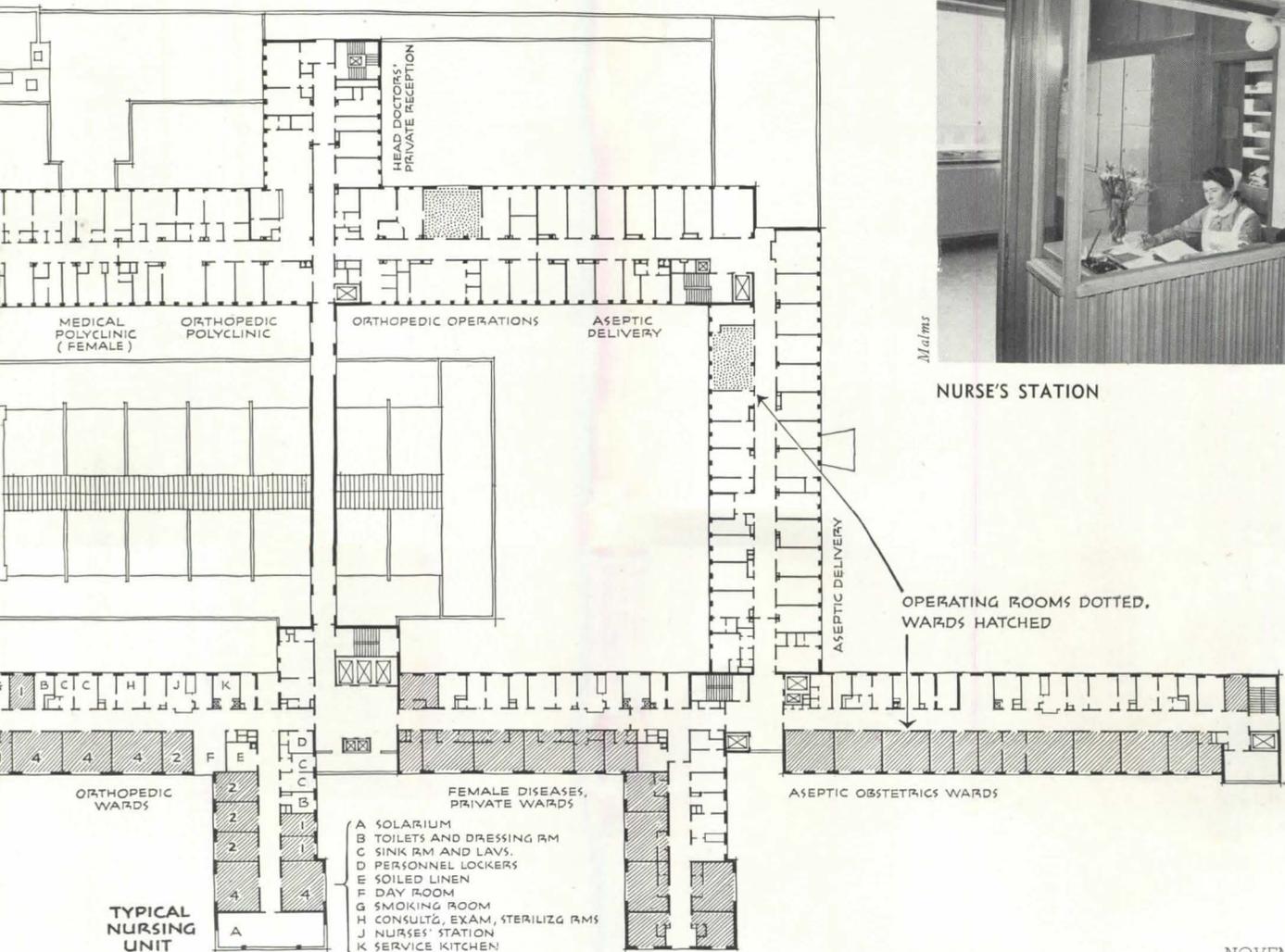


A DAYROOM with a balcony

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NURSE'S STATION





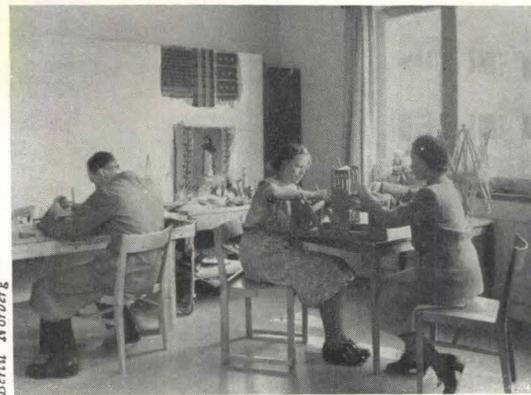
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RECORDS OFFICE



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POLYCLINIC receiving desk



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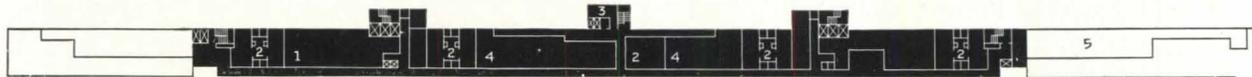
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

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**SOUTHERN HOSPITAL, STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN**

Brief presentation of so vast a project can do no more than touch on the details of planning. The photographs on these two pages, however, indicate the care and thoroughness with which the design of the total institution has been handled. A typical plan refinement is the handling of food—from preparation to patient's bedside. Basic preparation takes place on the top floor of the ward block (diagrammatic plan, below).

- 1 MAIN KITCHEN      3 CONTROL      5 SUBSIDIARY KITCHEN
- 2 SUBSIDIARY KITCHEN      4 STORAGE      ON 5TH FLOOR



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CENTRAL KITCHEN



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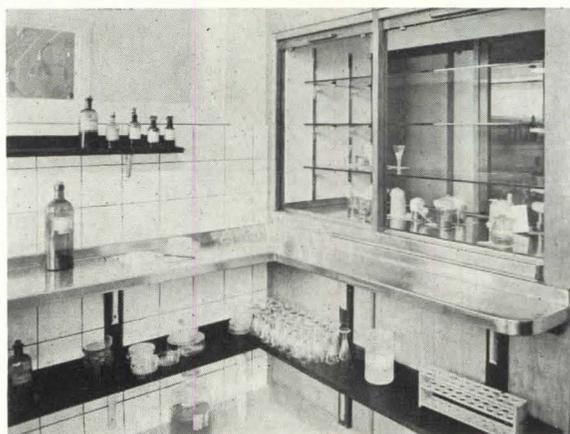
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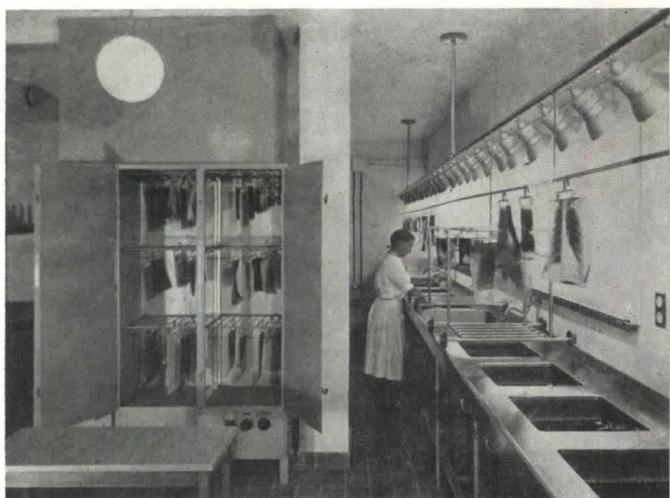
OPERATING ROOM

HJALMAR CEDERSTROM, Architect

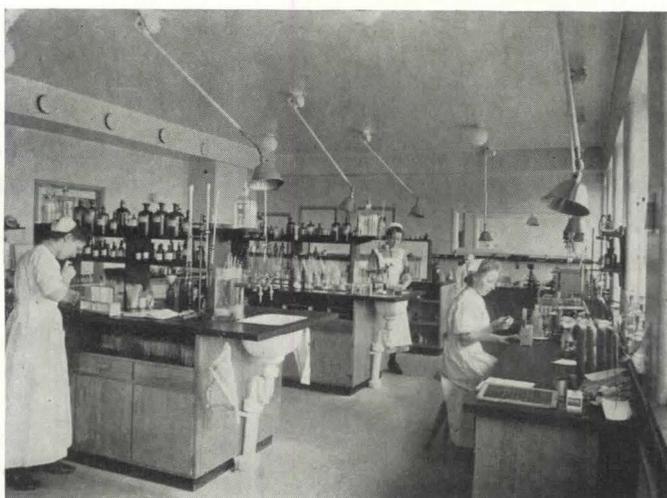
From here, semi-prepared food goes to 11 distribution kitchens, where sauces, special-diet food, etc., are added. Thence, the dishes travel by dumb-waiter to the individual ward kitchens for distribution to the patients' rooms. Thus, a considerable degree of flexibility in diet is provided with a minimum of back-tracking and confusion. The building is of reinforced concrete construction, with walls heat-insulated by light, porous sheets of insulative material on the exterior of the walls. Where the insulation occurs below grade, it is protected from frost and water by a layer of ceramic tile.



LABORATORY detail



CONTROL ROOM, X-ray department



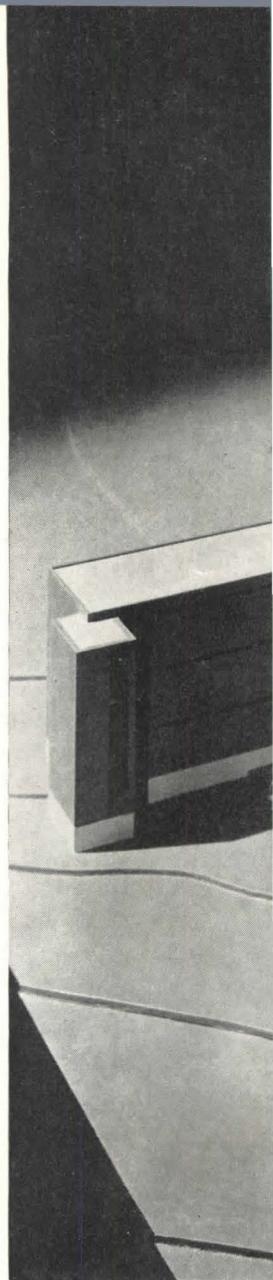
LABORATORY

## Critique

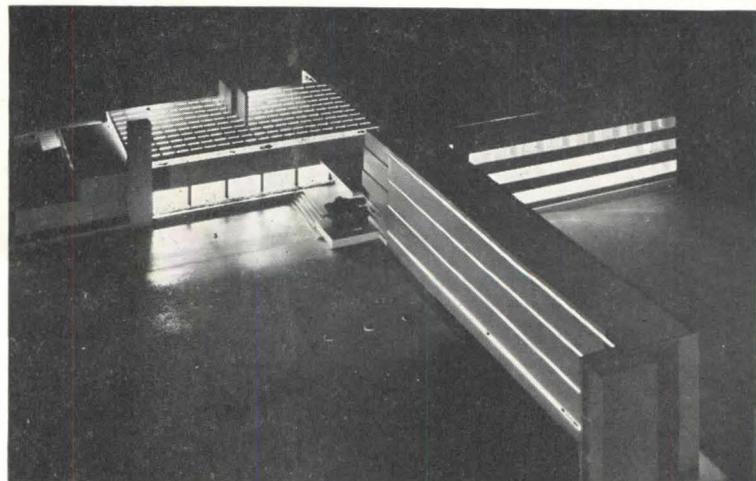
# HEALTH FACILITIES

Turning from these excellent examples of the more usual types of health-care buildings, we now look at a group of buildings which are of a highly specialized (in some cases, entirely novel) nature. While the purpose of these buildings is quite different from that of a hospital, there are common denominators that apply throughout. Since all such institutions and adjunct buildings are costly to run, great emphasis in the planning goes to efficiency of operation; and in the selection of the structural scheme and building materials, economical maintenance is a strong controlling factor. Also, the architect's imagination is consistently called upon to develop an environment that will assist the patient's sense of well-being and speed his recovery. To this extent, architecture itself becomes a significant part of the health-care procedure, and the architect's interest and service parallel those of the doctor. This fact is a good instance of the progressive approach to architectural practice, wherein buildings are far more than something beautiful to behold and are, in fact, integral parts of the society they are designed to serve.

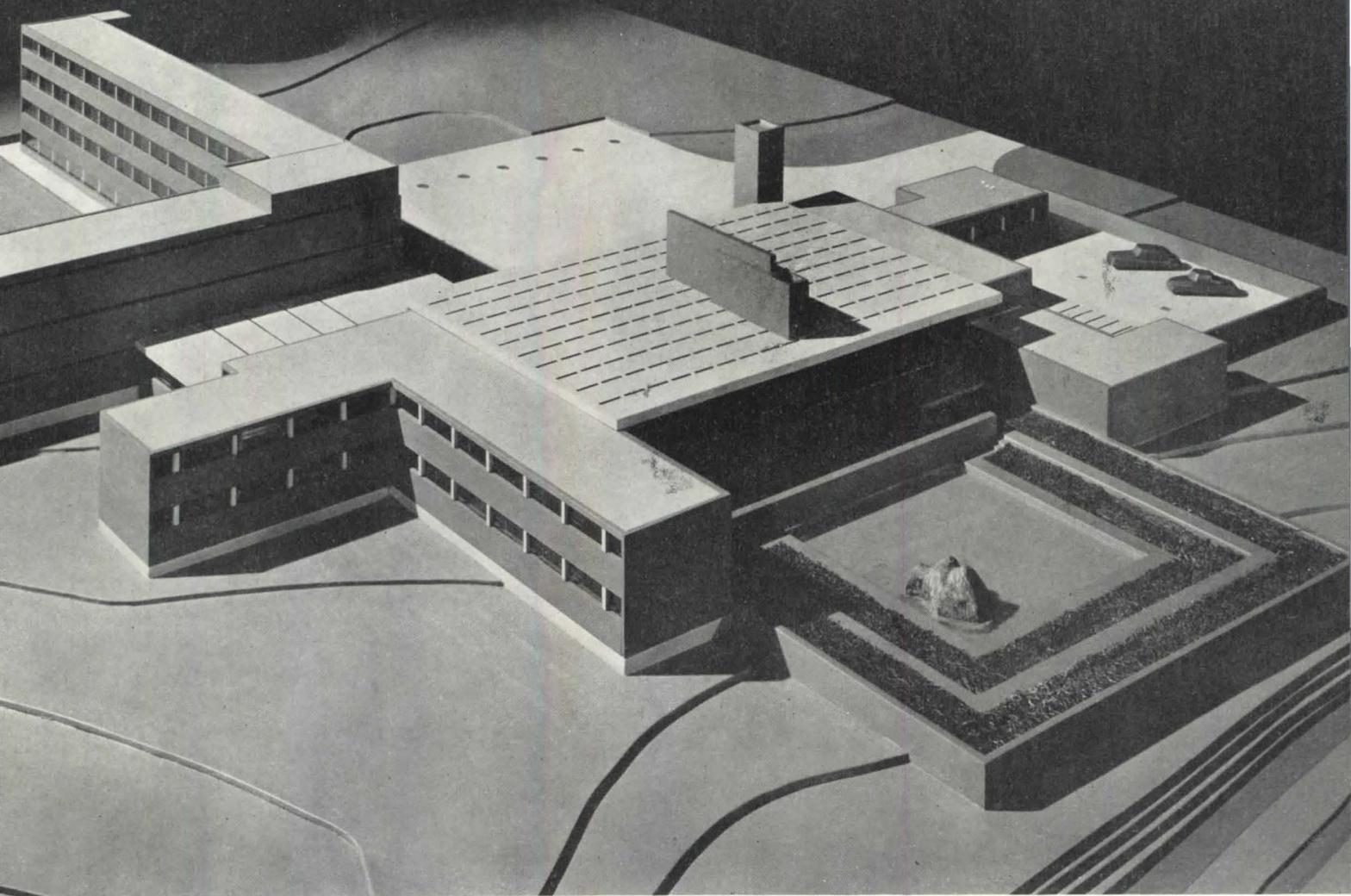
On the page facing is one of the most exceptional new building types in the health facility category—an institution specifically developed to further the cure of those whose lives have become burdened with alcoholism. Following this—in order—are the Wayne County, Michigan, Health Center; the King County Central Blood Bank in Seattle, Washington; the Nurses' Home for Memorial Hospital, Anniston, Alabama; and another nurses' residence provided for St. Benedict's Hospital in St. Cloud, Minnesota.



GARDEN SIDE of building.



ENTRANCE CORNER. Dormitory wings: foreground and above, right.



Big windows in the dining room and lounge overlook the pool.

### 3 . . . DORMITORY, KEELEY INSTITUTE, DWIGHT, ILLINOIS

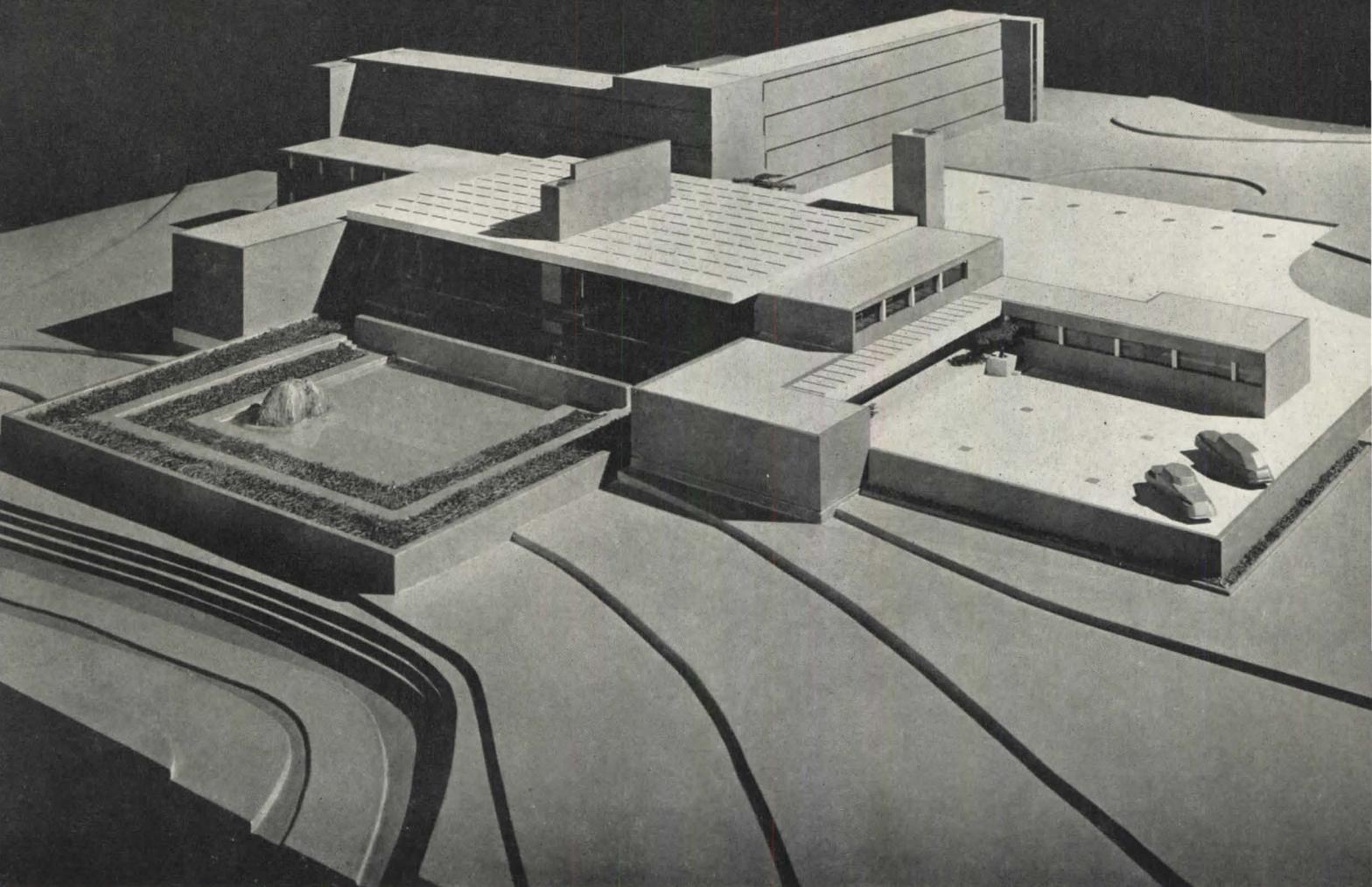
SCHWEIKHER & ELTING  
Architects

**PROBLEM:** To design an institution for the treatment and care of alcoholic patients which would serve efficiently as a health-care facility yet would have a character that would be more residential than institutional—a factor considered important to the psychological treatment of patients.

**SITE:** The 20-acre site of the present Keeley Institute buildings.

**MAIN POINTS ADMIRERD:** The general plan organization, the structural system, designed for economical maintenance; the design character which suggests a resort hotel rather than a hospital.

**CHIEF POINTS QUESTIONED:** Method of control and circulation within the building (points which an explanation of the Keeley system clarify); the absence of lounges on the separate patients' floors.

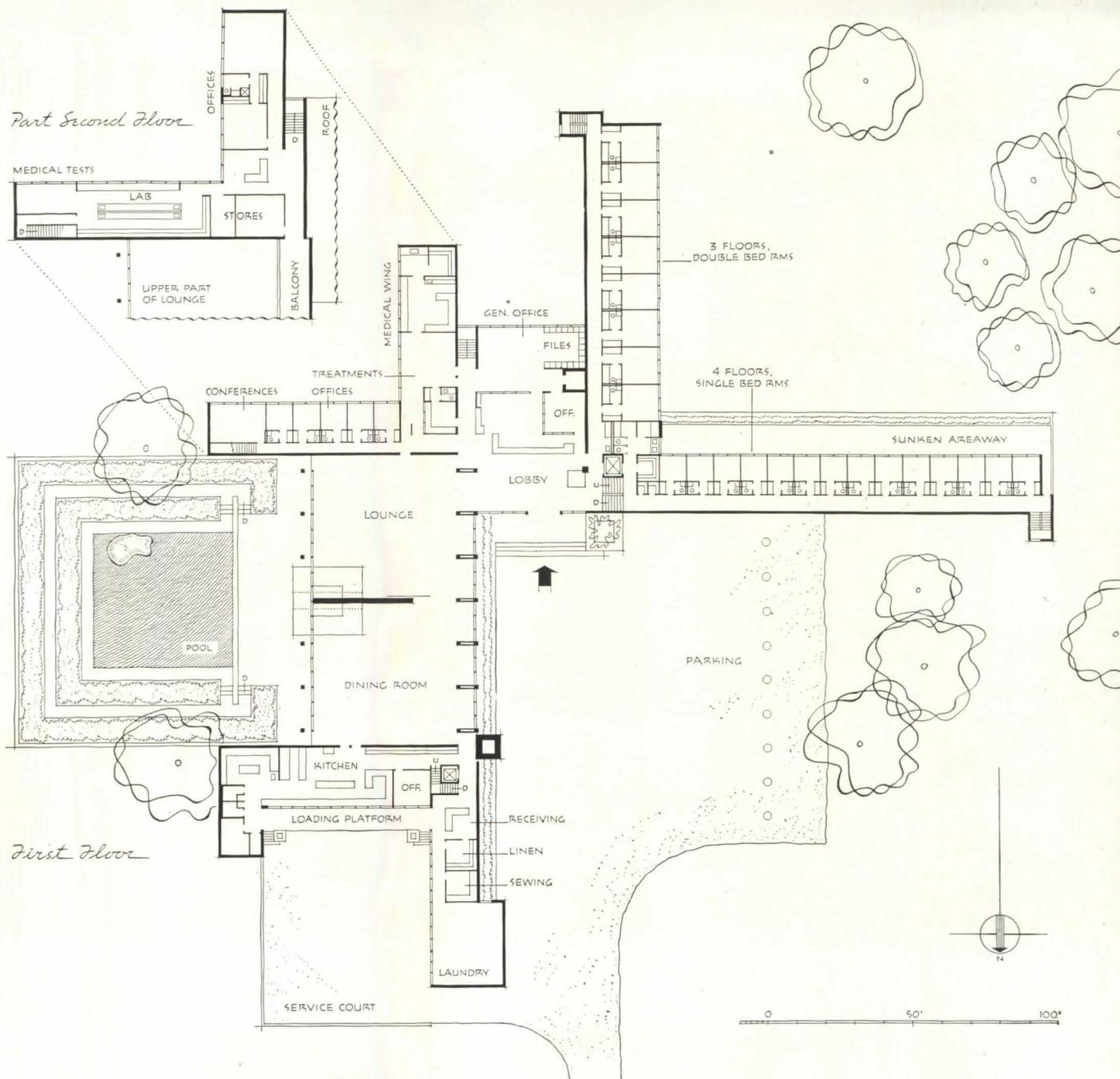


"EGG CRATE" STRUCTURE: Thin, reinforced concrete floor slabs, supported on partition walls (thin concrete cores surfaced both sides with brick). Exterior corridor walls are simply "curtains" of hollow cavity brick construction, joined to floor slab above by continuous, daylighting bands of glass. Roof slabs across the lounge and dining room are of lightweight perforated steel construction with interposed glass panels (see night photo of model).

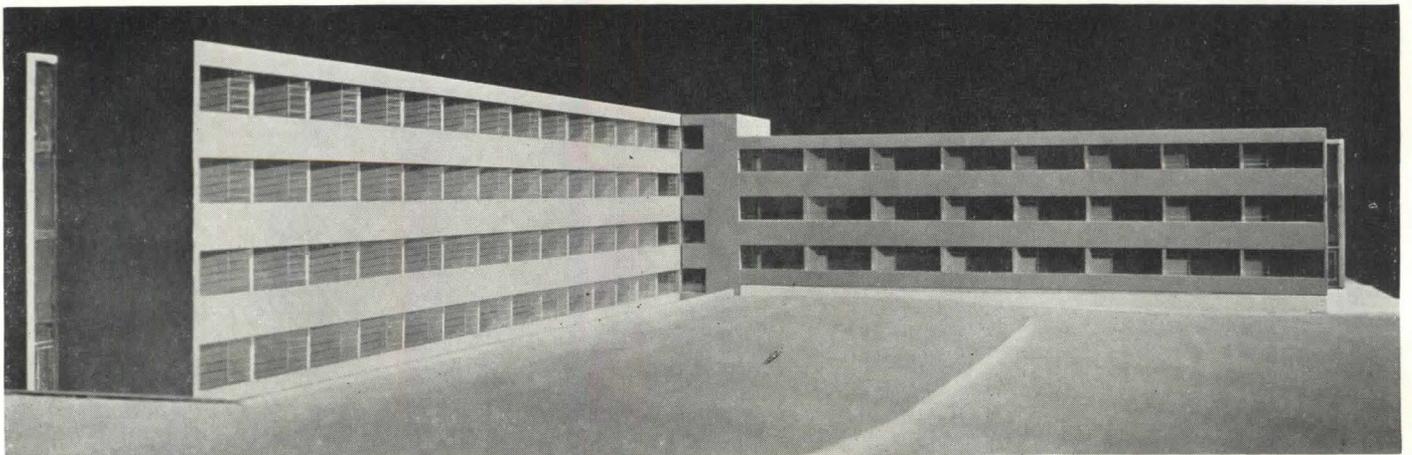
### 3 . . . DORMITORY, KEELEY INSTITUTE, DWIGHT, ILLINOIS

The new building will have 84 rooms, including administrative offices, a lounge, dining facilities for 130, the bedroom wings, kitchen, laundry, a laboratory, offices for doctors, and rooms for medical treatment. The critics asked whether the complete separation of the bedroom wings would not make control and supervision difficult, further questioning what facility was provided for special, continuous care, in case a patient should need it. The answer is that, after a certain hour of the evening, patients do not come and go through the building and the only "control" required is visual, from the clerk's desk in the main lounge. In fact, it is pointed out that this desk controls movements to and from all parts of the building—to the lounge and dining rooms, to the medical wing and doctors' offices, as well as to the bedrooms. Patients in most cases are entirely capable of taking care of themselves; if some one patient needs particular care, an orderly stays on a cot placed in the patient's room. Lack of recreation facilities, a library, etc., is explained by the fact that these are located in an existing near-by recreation building. As to the absence of lounges on the different floors, the architects explain that all patients are ambulatory and hence can use the general lounge, as in a hotel.

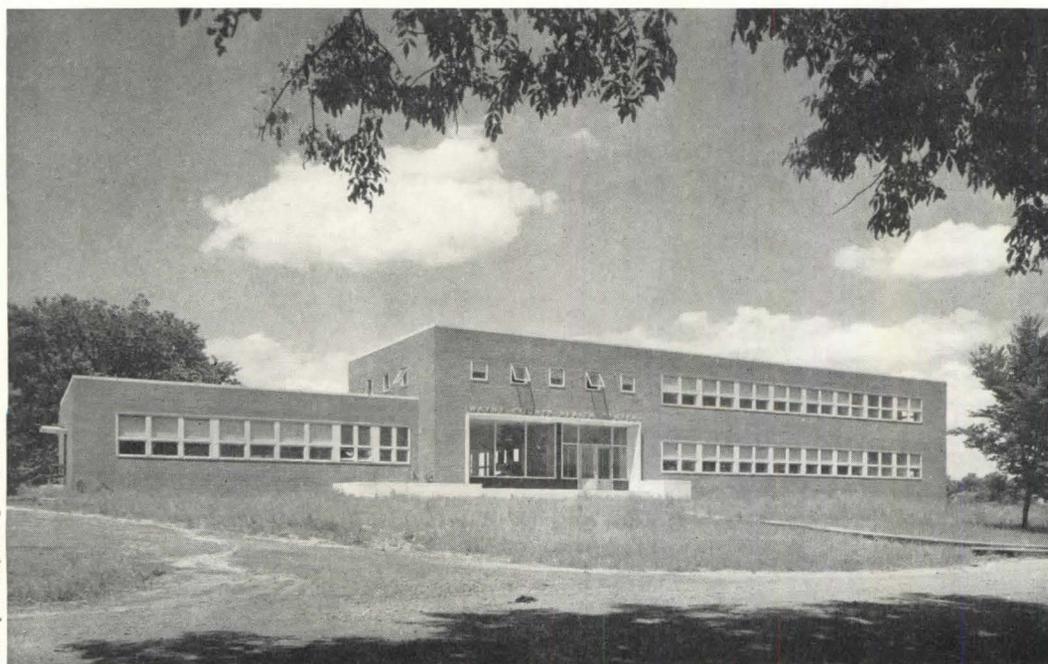
SCHWEIKHER & ELTING  
Architects



PLAN: Developed around the square as a module.



BEDROOM WINGS: Staggered floor system in single-bedroom wing provides four floors, with a maximum climb of two and a half flights from main floor.



Rodney McCoy Morgan Photos

THE HEALTH CENTER is on a rural site adjoining the County Hospital. Because of a spring flood condition, there is no basement. Dry storage is provided in the room above the main waiting room.

# 4 . . . WAYNE COUNTY HEALTH CENTER, MICHIGAN

EBERLE M. SMITH ASSOCIATES, Architects

**PROBLEM:** To supply dental, maternal, X-ray, tuberculosis, and venereal disease treatment and control, plus a headquarters for the Wayne County Board of Health, County Sanitary Engineers, and County Nurses.

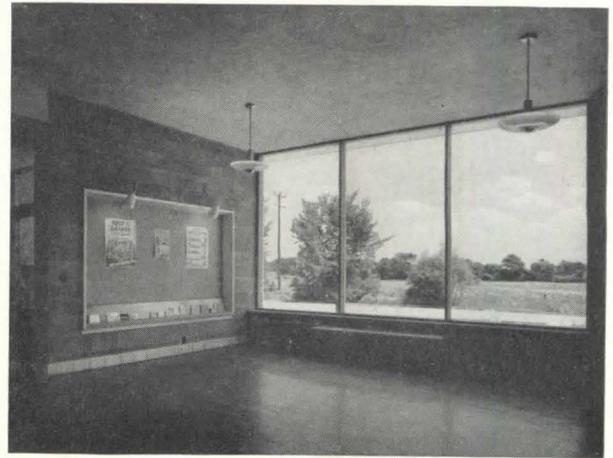
**SITE:** Beside a gravel country road several miles from a residential area.

**MAIN POINTS ADMIRIED:** Efficient plan with centralized control; two waiting rooms that separate the TB and VD cases from the maternity-dental patients; clean over-all design.

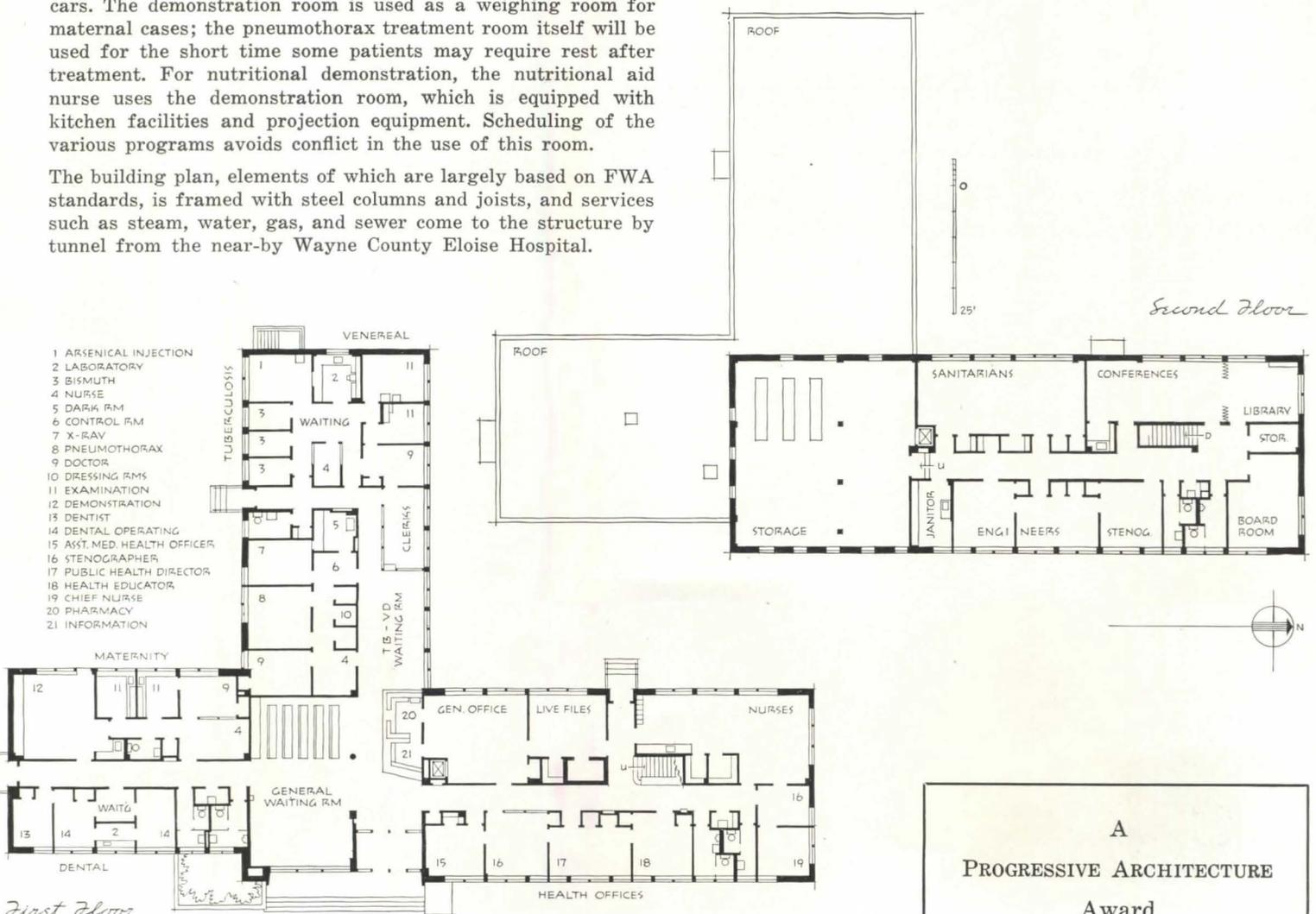
**CHIEF POINTS QUESTIONED:** Why no baby-carriage room; where baby-weighing takes place; where patients rest after pneumothorax treatment; what room is used for nutritional aid program.

The jury's questions were answered in order. There is no baby-carriage room, because the rural location of the building makes this unnecessary: patients arrive either by bus or in their own cars. The demonstration room is used as a weighing room for maternal cases; the pneumothorax treatment room itself will be used for the short time some patients may require rest after treatment. For nutritional demonstration, the nutritional aid nurse uses the demonstration room, which is equipped with kitchen facilities and projection equipment. Scheduling of the various programs avoids conflict in the use of this room.

The building plan, elements of which are largely based on FWA standards, is framed with steel columns and joists, and services such as steam, water, gas, and sewer come to the structure by tunnel from the near-by Wayne County Eloise Hospital.



WAITING ROOM, looking toward roadway.



A  
PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE  
Award  
HONORABLE MENTION



GENERAL WAITING ROOM, toward control-information desk.

#### 4 . . . WAYNE COUNTY HEALTH CENTER, MICHIGAN

EBERLE M. SMITH ASSOCIATES, Architects

The general waiting room and information desk are so organized that the nurse stationed at the desk has control of all of the main floor. She has an immediate view of the principal entry and (down a corridor) of the exit door from the maternity-dental wing. She can also

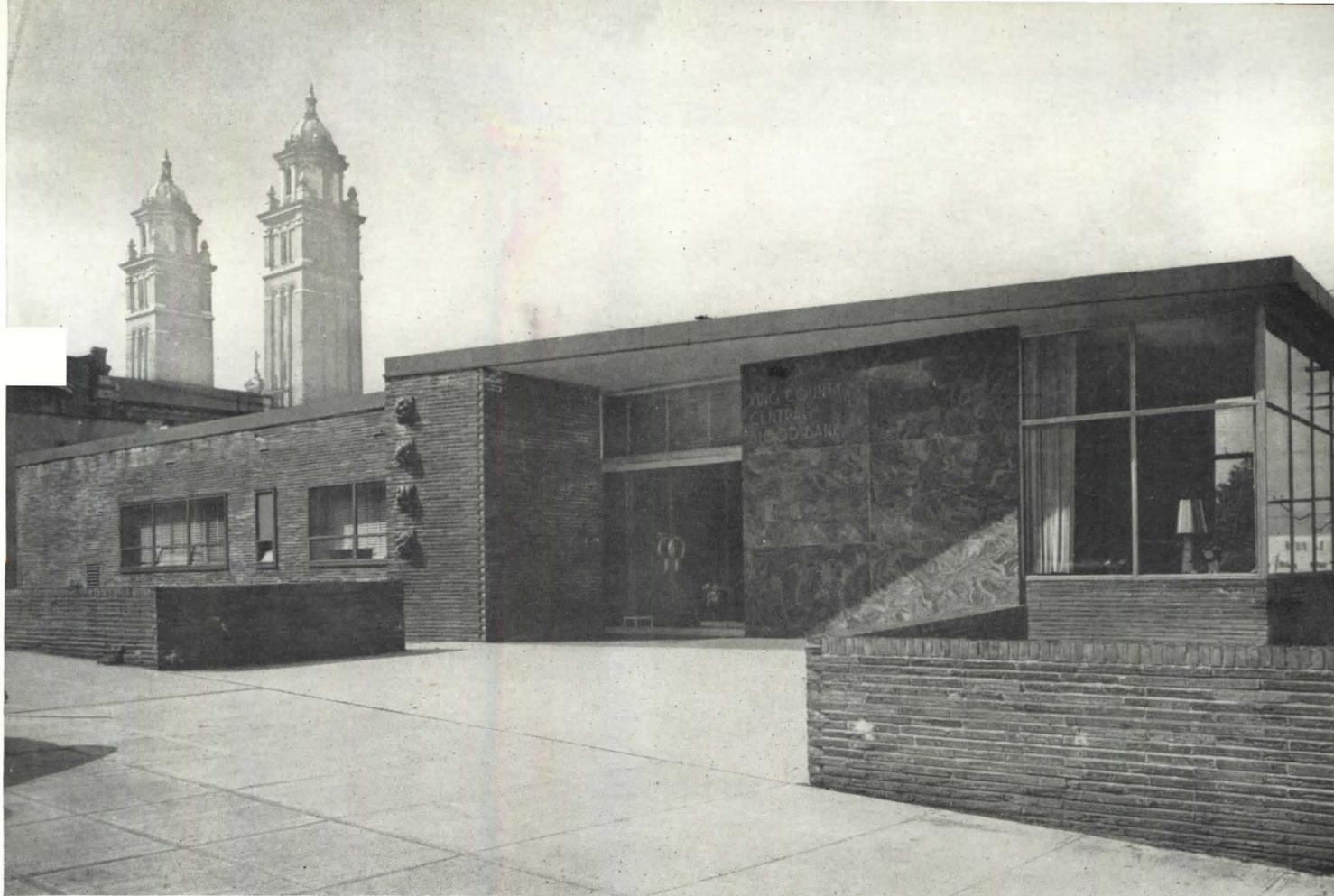
view the tuberculosis-venereal waiting room through the pharmacy at the right of the desk. For the privacy of patients, exit doors direct to parking space are provided from both wings of the building, so there is no need to return through the waiting rooms.



LABORATORY



NURSES' ROOM



STRUCTURE: Reinforced concrete frame and slabs for lower story; structural steel columns and beams for upper floor (shown above).

## 5 . . . KING COUNTY CENTRAL BLOOD BANK, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

NARAMORE, BAIN, BRADY & JOHANSON  
and JOSEPH WOHLEB, Architects

**PROBLEM:** To provide a center for the convenience and comfort of blood donors and for the efficient handling and processing of the plasma. Storage space for an ample supply, in case of emergency.

**SITE:** A side hill in the center of Seattle's hospital district, allowing access to both main and lower floors at grade.

**MAIN POINTS ADMIRERD:** The plan organization that places the several steps involved in blood-giving in logical order, with a minimum of path-crossing; the informal design character of the building that is considerably more welcoming than the usual institution; the well planned separation between public and staff-administrative space.

**CHIEF POINTS QUESTIONED:** Whether curtains separating the donors' cots might be an improvement in detail; what procedure is followed in case the process proves too severe for a donor; why the director's and his secretary's offices are so completely separated.

One hundred percent of the hospitals in Seattle and King County participate in the blood-bank program that this unique structure serves. The project was initiated by a group of public-spirited citizens who formed a corporation to raise funds for the construction and equipment of the building.



*P. A. Dearborn Photos*

LABORATORY



ENTRANCE



REGISTRATION

5 . . . KING COUNTY CENTRAL BLOOD BANK, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

NARAMORE, BAIN,

In answer to the jury's questions, the blood-bank director does not see any advantage to curtaining between cots. Curtains are not only a nuisance, but many people prefer to be

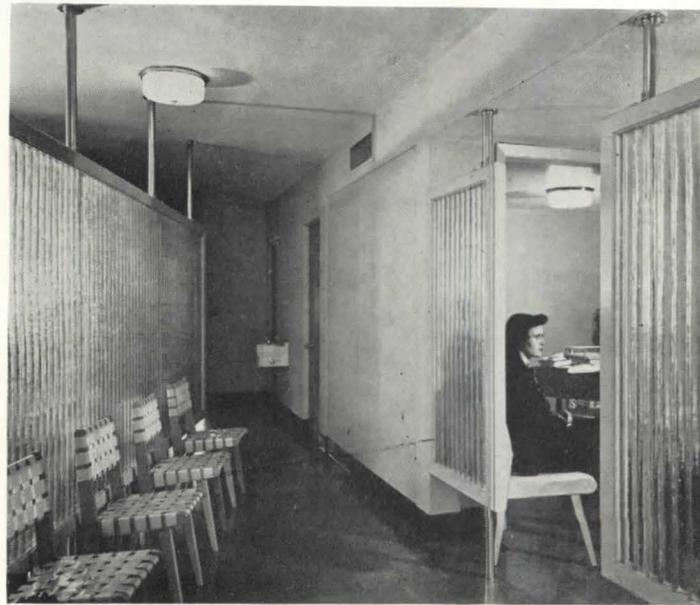
in the same area with others while giving blood. Alongside the blood-letting room is a rest room for patients requiring it; in case of fainting, the patient is moved by wheel chair.



BLOOD LETTING (cots cantilevered from wall)



WAITING



EXAMINATION

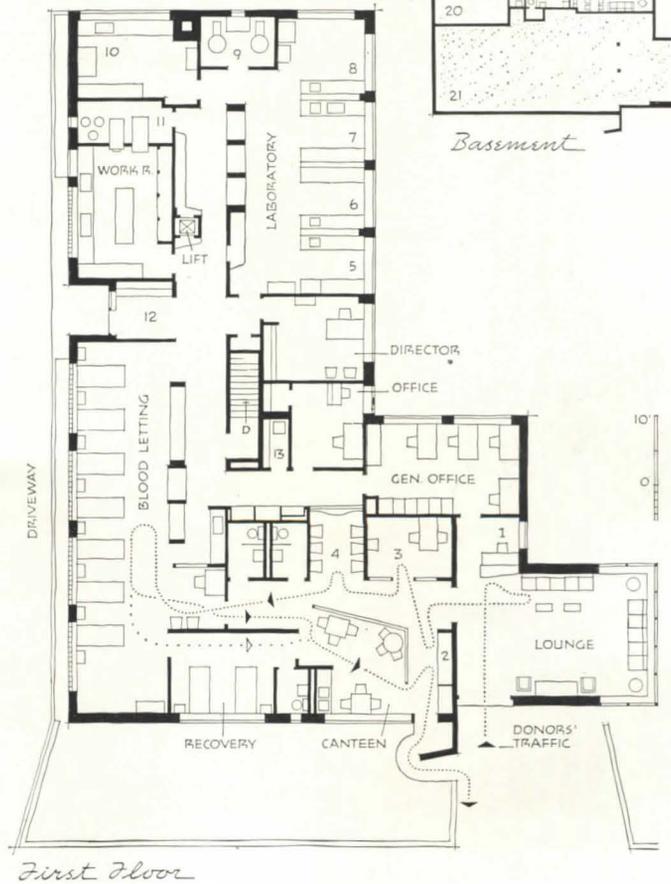
BRADY & JOHANSON and JOSEPH WOHLEB, Architects

Although the separation of the offices of the director and his secretary seems awkward in plan, this apparently is not the case; he calls his secretary by intercommunicating phone.



CANTEEN (right)

- |                |                      |
|----------------|----------------------|
| 1 RECEPTIONIST | 12 VOLUNTEER WORK RM |
| 2 COATS        | 13 JANITOR           |
| 3 EXAMINATION  | 14 BOILER RM         |
| 4 WAITING RM   | 15 PARKING           |
| 5 CROSSMATCH   | 16 STORAGE           |
| 6 TYPING       | 17 RECEIVING         |
| 7 WASSERMANN   | 18 LAUNDRY STORAGE   |
| 8 RESEARCH     | 19 NURSE             |
| 9 CENTRIFUGE   | 20 GEN. STORAGE      |
| 10 POOLING     | 21 UNEXCAVATED       |
| 11 AUTOCLAVE   | 22 LOUNGE            |





GENERAL VIEW. Hospital in background, at left.

## 6 . . . NURSES' HOME, MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, ANNISTON, ALABAMA

CHARLES H. McCauley, Architect

**PROBLEM:** To provide a nurses' residence and training school in a building separate from, but related to, the existing hospital. Built during the war, the building was also designed to serve an active training program for Cadet Corps nurses.

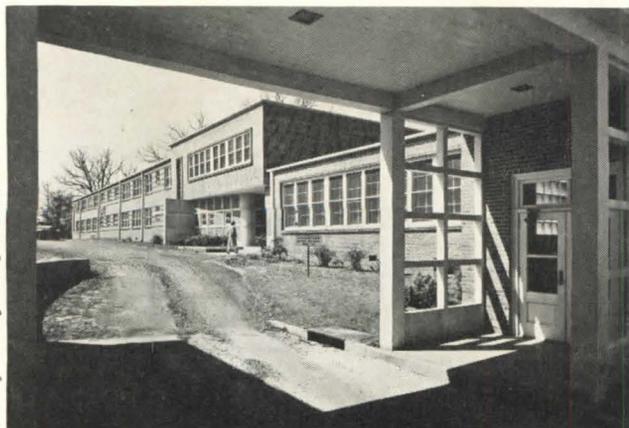
**SITE:** A pleasant hillside on the grounds of the Anniston Memorial Hospital.

**MAIN POINTS ADMIRERD:** The logical separation of school and residential facilities; the studied relation of the whole building to the site and to the hospital it serves; the efficient layout of the various units, which closely follow U. S. Public Health Service recommendations.

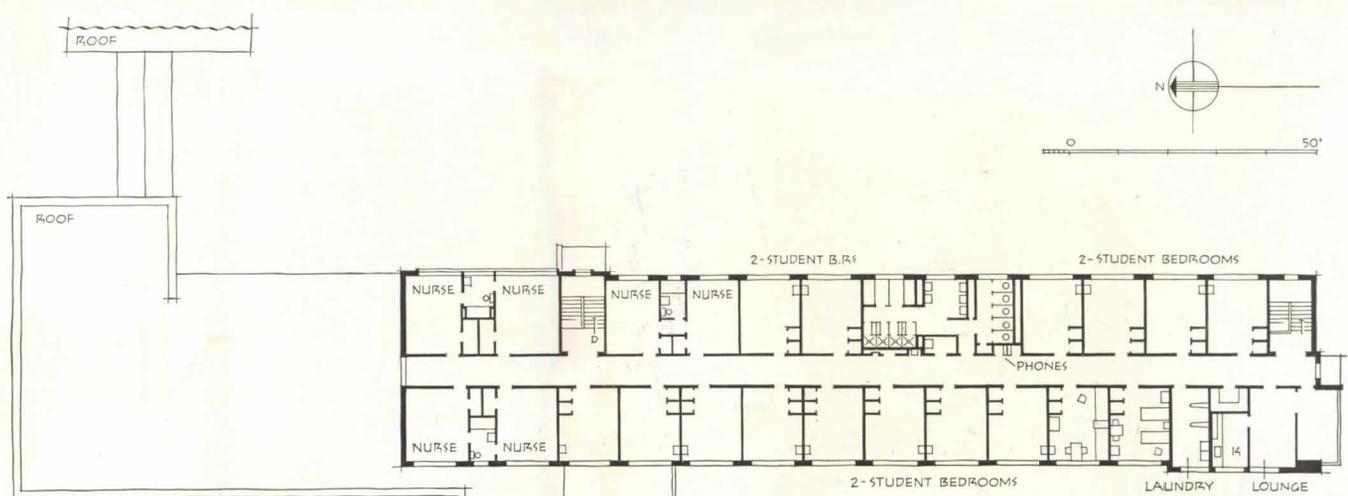
**CHIEF POINTS QUESTIONED:** Choice of double rather than single student rooms; a feeling that, purely from the esthetic viewpoint, the east elevation of the building was composed of too many diverse elements.

"We have two students to a room in this part of the country," Mr. McCauley states, "for two reasons: (1) the majority of our students come from smaller communities (usually have been accustomed to studying in a room with members of the family present) and are happier in their environment to have someone in the room with them . . . (2) single rooms would have increased the cost considerably."

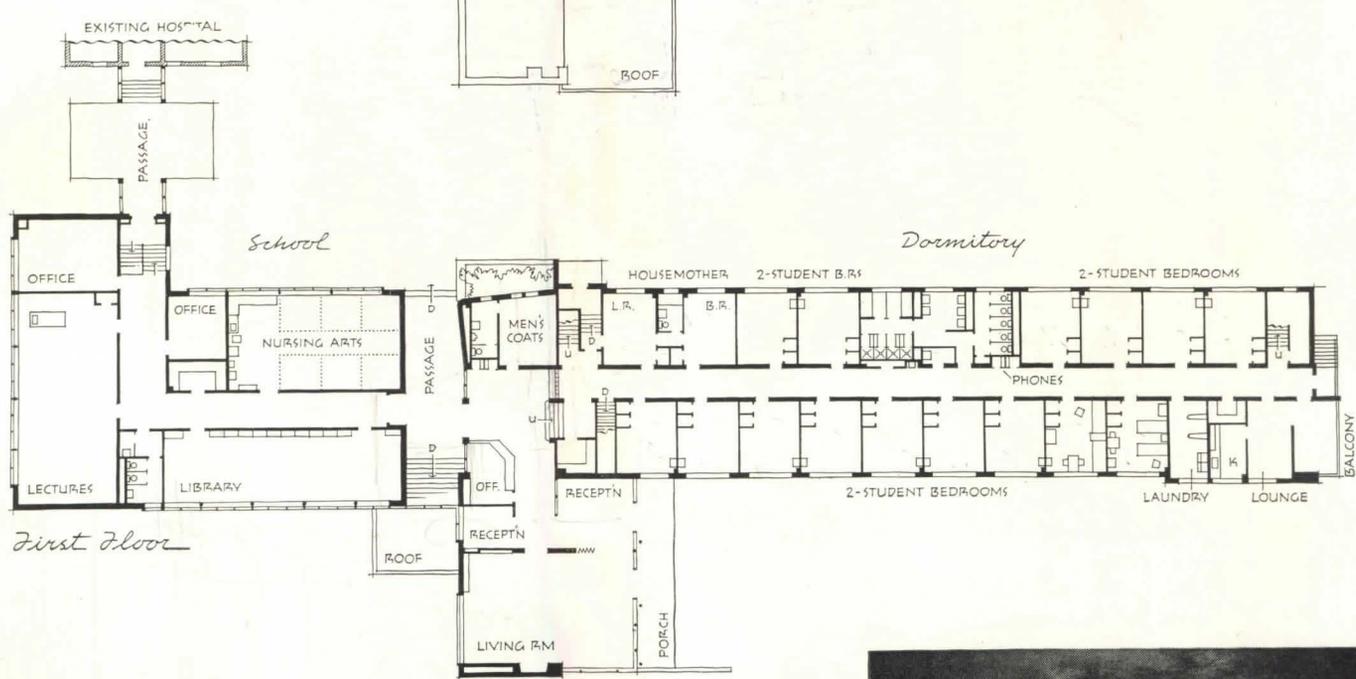
Although U. S. Public Health Service standards were closely followed in the design of the separate elements, the slope of the land and the desirability of separation of school and residence facilities resulted in a three-level building with two floors of dormitory rooms in the south wing and two floors of school facilities in the north (downhill) wing.



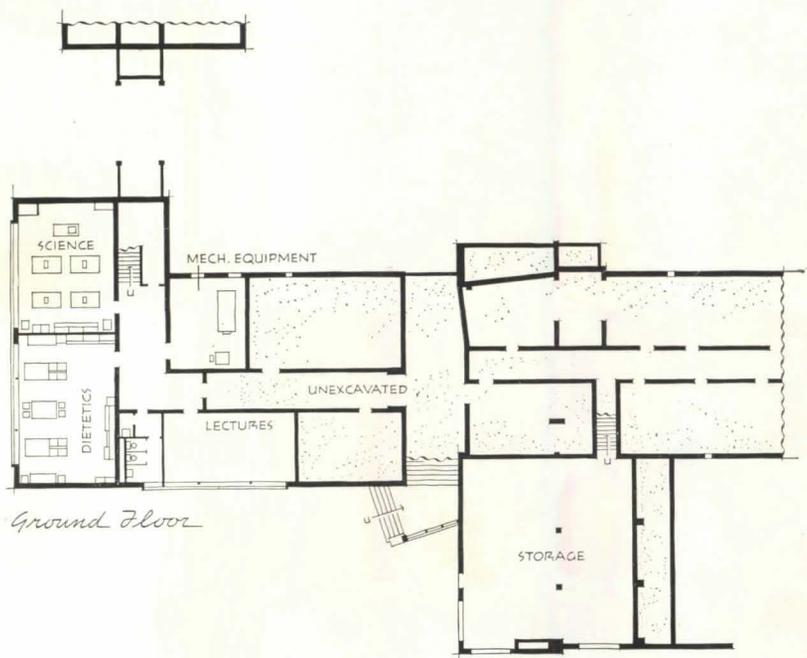
EAST FRONT. Breezeway to hospital, foreground.



*Second floor*



*First floor*



*Ground floor*



MAIN ENTRANCE toward the west.



TERRACE beside the main living room.



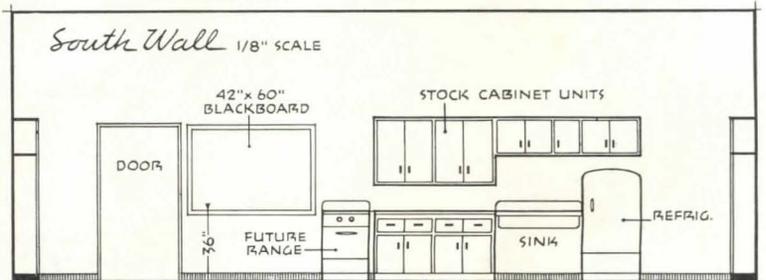
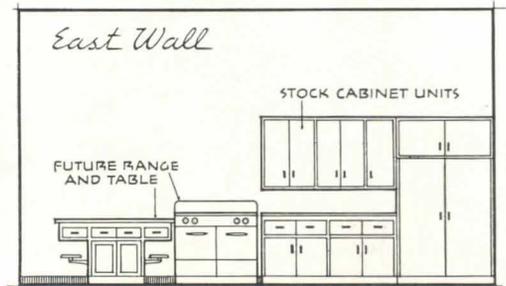
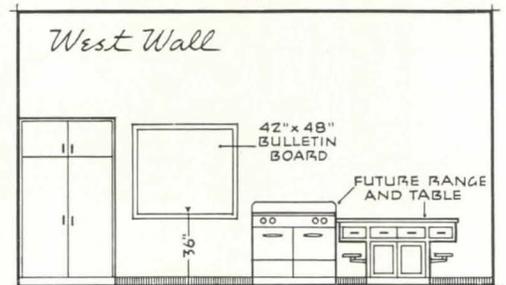
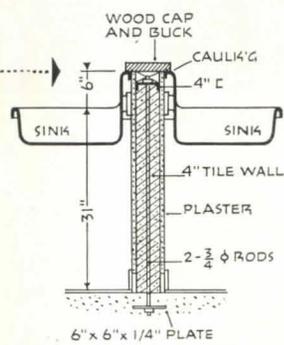
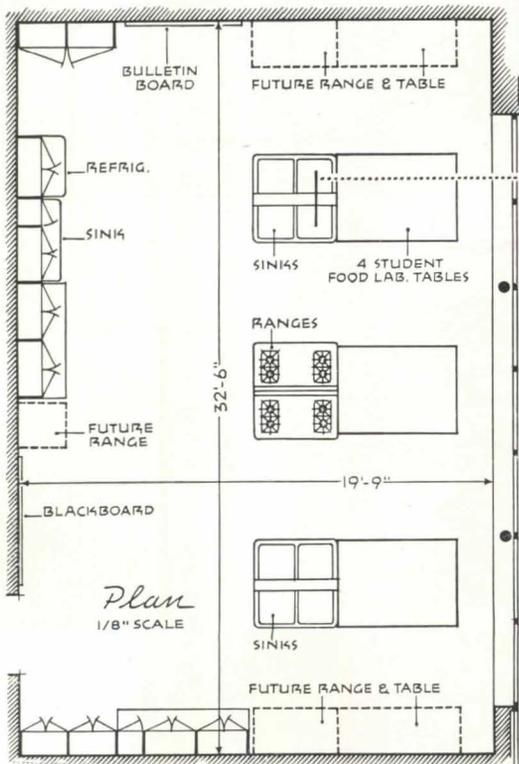
## 6 . . . NURSES' HOME, MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ANNISTON, ALABAMA

CHARLES H. McCAULEY, Architect

While the residence is connected with the hospital on the east, a main entrance, plus doors to the general living room, enables nurses to enter or leave the home without passing through the hospital. The home portion of the building is planned to keep social activities quite separate from sleeping rooms. In addition to the big main living rooms, a small lounge and sitting porch are provided on each floor for the use of nurses who live on that floor. Floors and roof are concrete slabs; walls are load-bearing tile, with brick exterior veneer.



LIVING ROOM is equipped with a big fireplace and a terrace on the south that is protected from too much sun by a roof overhang.



**DIETETICS LABORATORY**

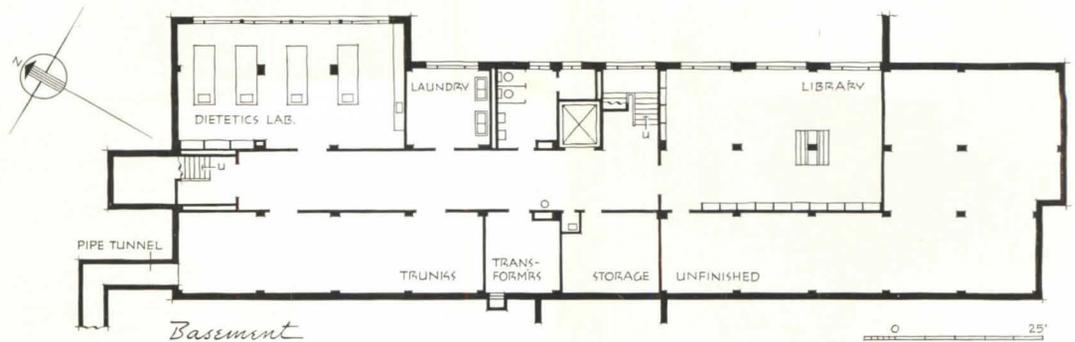
**NURSES' HOME, ANNISTON, ALABAMA**

**CHARLES H. McCAULEY, Architect**



GENERAL VIEW. New classroom wing will be built out from corner at left.

# 7 ...NURSES' HOME, ST. BENEDICT'S HOSPITAL ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA



LONG & THORSHOV, INC., Architects

**PROBLEM:** To provide a nurses' residence and training school (later to be considerably more than doubled in size) which, when expanded, will require a minimum of structural or plan revision.

**SITE:** Grounds of St. Benedict's Hospital, a short distance from the main buildings.

**MAIN POINTS ADMIRIED:** Simple, straightforward arrangement of plan elements, with individual rooms balanced around central services; light and spacious typical bedrooms.

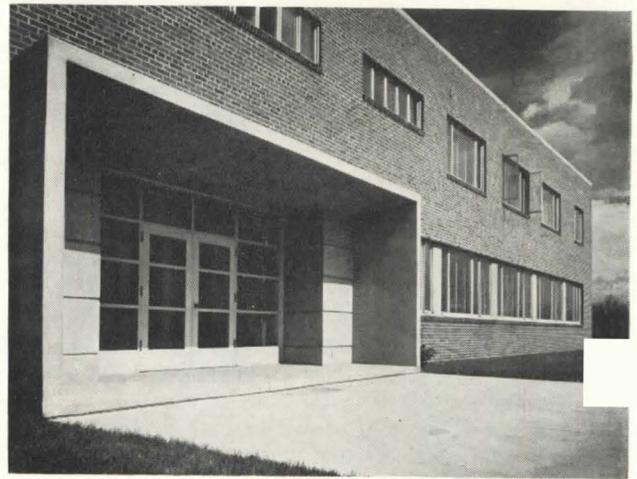
**CHIEF POINTS QUESTIONED:** Whether four lavatories are sufficient for use by 30 persons; why no lecture room; an apparent confusion between service and school areas at the basement level. One juror wondered whether a nurses' "home" should have a more residential character.

In answering questioned points, the architects say: the eventual building will include addition of four bedroom floors; a large auditorium at the south end of the present structure; and a classroom wing, extending from the northwest corner of the building out toward the street. This last explains the present somewhat makeshift arrangement of classrooms in the basement; when the building is complete, the basement will be entirely used for storage, trunk rooms, laundry, etc. The nurses who live here work on staggered shifts; hence four lavatories in wash-rooms are considered sufficient.

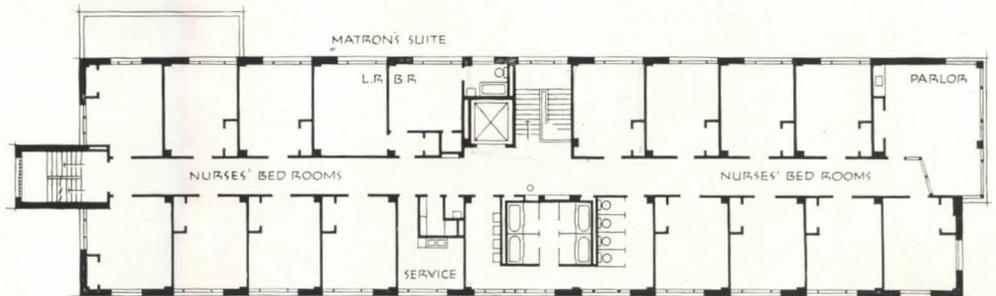


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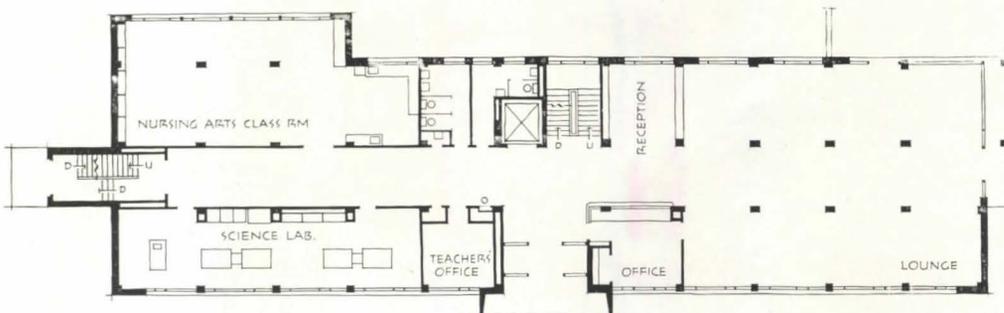
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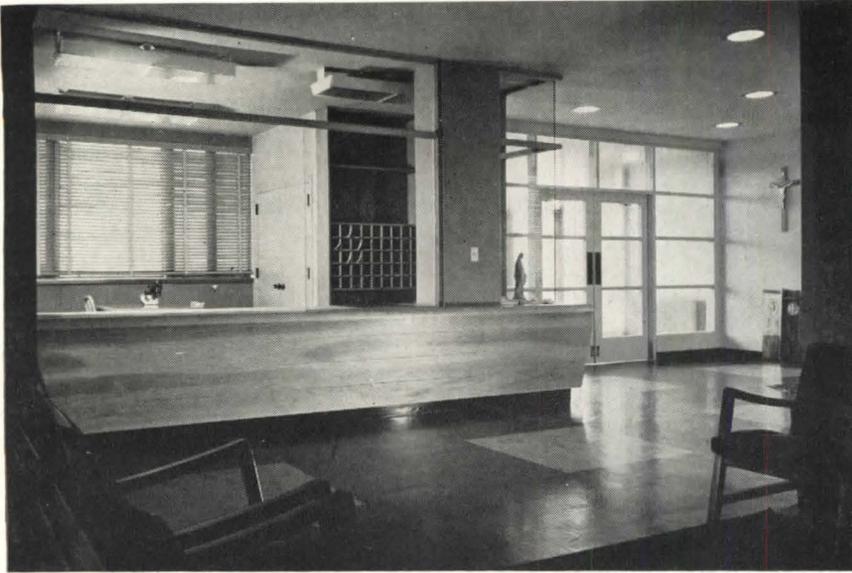
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*Second Floor*



*First Floor*



LOBBY, looking toward entrance: woodwork is birch; flooring, asphalt tile.

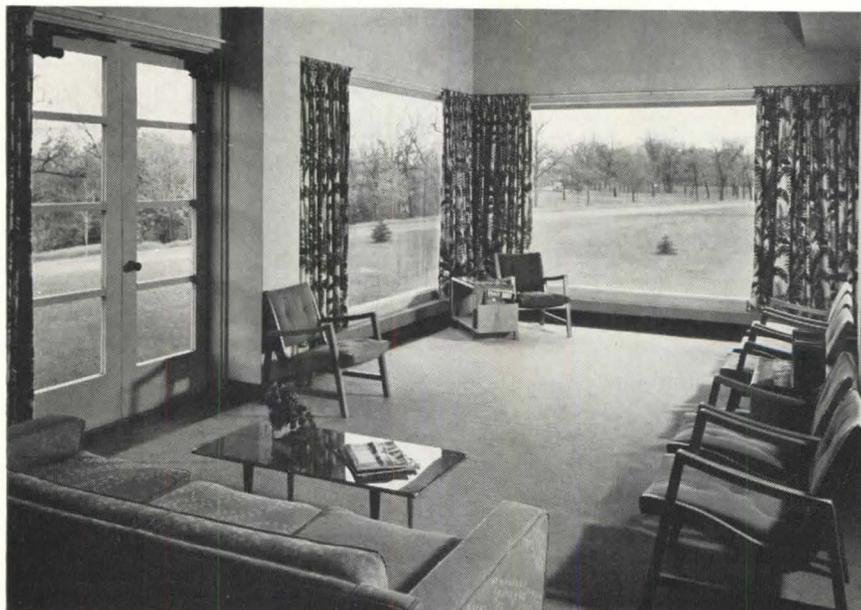
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LONG & THORSHOV, INC., Architects

The building is a reinforced concrete frame structure with floor slabs of the same material; filler walls are surfaced outside with brick and (in general) plastered inside. Most floor surfaces are asphalt tile; terrazzo is used for corridors and stairs; and ceramic tile occurs in bathrooms. Partitions between rooms are of clay tile. When the auditorium is added at the south of the building, a portion of the present lounge will be used as corridor to the new unit, and the lounge will be extended toward the east, to include alcoves for visiting friends and relatives.



TYPICAL BEDROOM. Note built-in furniture.



LOUNGE. Windows at left (east) overlook a river view.

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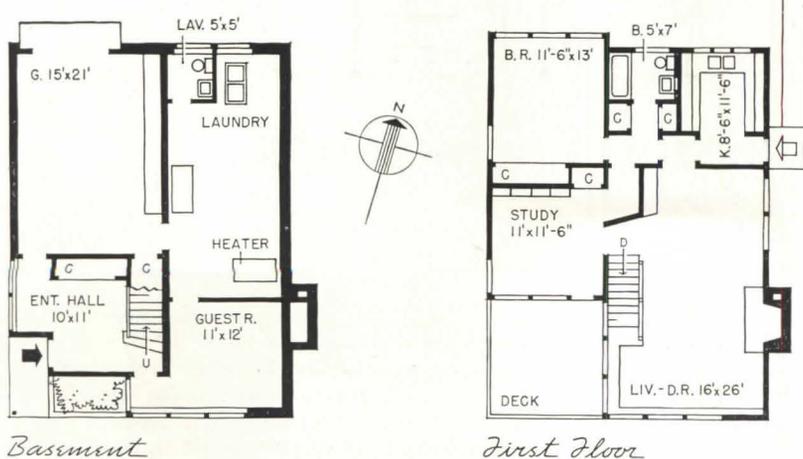
## HOUSE, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

ELIZABETH and  
WINSTON CLOSE  
Architects

This house, built on two levels on a wooded hillside site, is the home of a professor of psychology and his wife. Main living rooms all occur on the upper level, with the entrance hall, garage, heater room, storage space, and one bedroom (for guest or student) on the lower floor. This not only places main rooms so as to take best advantage of the view, but it provides at ground-floor level a "weatherproof" entrance hall that is entered directly from both the front door and the garage (see plans, next page). The house is of standard frame construction, with exterior finish of plain 6-inch redwood siding, and trim painted light yellow. The concrete block of the ground story is painted light ochre and planted with vines. The house is thoroughly insulated.



VIEW FROM SOUTH



FRONT DOOR. Sitting deck, above.

# HOUSE

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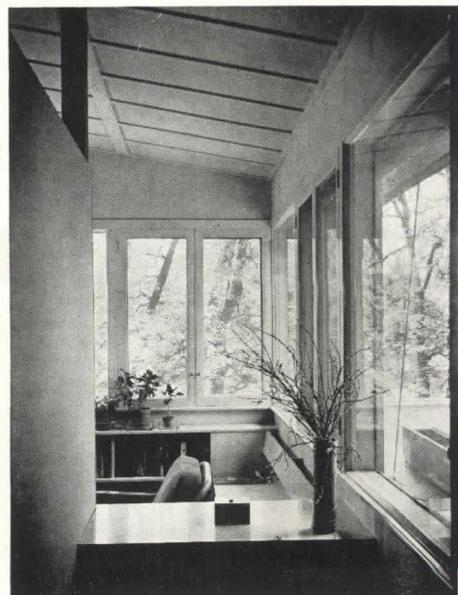


DINING END of living room

Specific needs were an entrance area of generous size and sufficiently apart from main living rooms so that rain and wintry winds would not penetrate; a combined living-dining space; a study opening off the living room; master bedroom, preferably adjoining the study, a compact kitchen, and an oversized garage to allow space for metalworking tools and equipment. A study of the plans shows how these elements were incorporated in an economical scheme. The kitchen door is at ground level on the uphill side of the house, thus avoiding much stair climbing.



LIVING ROOM: Door-height screen, right.



STAIR WELL (foreground), behind screen

One technical aspect of hospital planning—the provision for the many items of specialized equipment—remains a closed book to designers new to the field. The mention of sterilizers, fume hoods, mangles, or steam kettles gives even many experienced hospital architects a cold chill. The following outline is intended to dispel some of the fog that obscures this subject. It is not a check list or an exhaustive study—it is simply an introduction to the subject, to allow the architect to study further with some feeling of background knowledge.

The more specific discussions that follow the introduction by Mr. Arrowsmith and Mr. Rannells are based in part on data supplied by Mr. Leo E. Oakey, American Sterilizer Co.; Mr. L. W. Smack, E. H. Sheldon & Co.; Mr. F. J. Knaufl, John Van Range Co.; Mr. Howard L. Post, food service consultant; Mr. Paul J. Abrams, American Laundry Machinery Co.; and Mr. W. Bruning, Picker X-Ray Corp.

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# HOSPITAL

## INTRODUCTION

By LEIGHTON M. ARROWSMITH and JOHN RANNELLS

It is quite understandable that an architect who has received a commission to plan a hospital approaches the project with some trepidation when he finds that the contract includes provision for many items of fixed equipment with which he is not familiar. He has on his staff or associated with him experts in construction, steel, heating and ventilating, electricity, color, and finish. But when it comes to technical equipment which in turn involves medical procedures, he realizes that no one on his staff has made the type of study which is necessary for a really finished job. He finds himself faced with a line of research well removed from his main function. He may feel that it is an imposition and not quite fair.

A second strike against the architect is the lack of hospital standards—standards in procedures and standards of equipment. Some years back it was found that there were 900 different sizes of ward beds in 1900 hospitals, and only three measurements were involved. There is now a standard which allows one length, one height, and three widths. Again, there were over 5,000 sizes and types of surgical dressings—which have now been reduced to less than 30 through the cooperation of several organizations. These examples show what can be done, but it must be acknowledged that there are far too few items of equipment that have gone through the mill, while medical procedures are always subject to developments which in turn affect equipment and layout.

The American Hospital Association has recognized the difficulties inherent in the lack of concerted thinking and has published a *Manual of Standards* of hospital equipment and supplies, which is a compilation of standards taken from various governmental agencies together with some developed by the Association. The Division of Hospital Facilities of the United States Public Health Service has published a wealth of detailed material on layout and equipment. Its type plans show everything required in each room of hospitals and health centers of certain types and sizes. Of course, all such standards have to be evaluated in terms of the project at hand, and it's up to the architect to include what is re-

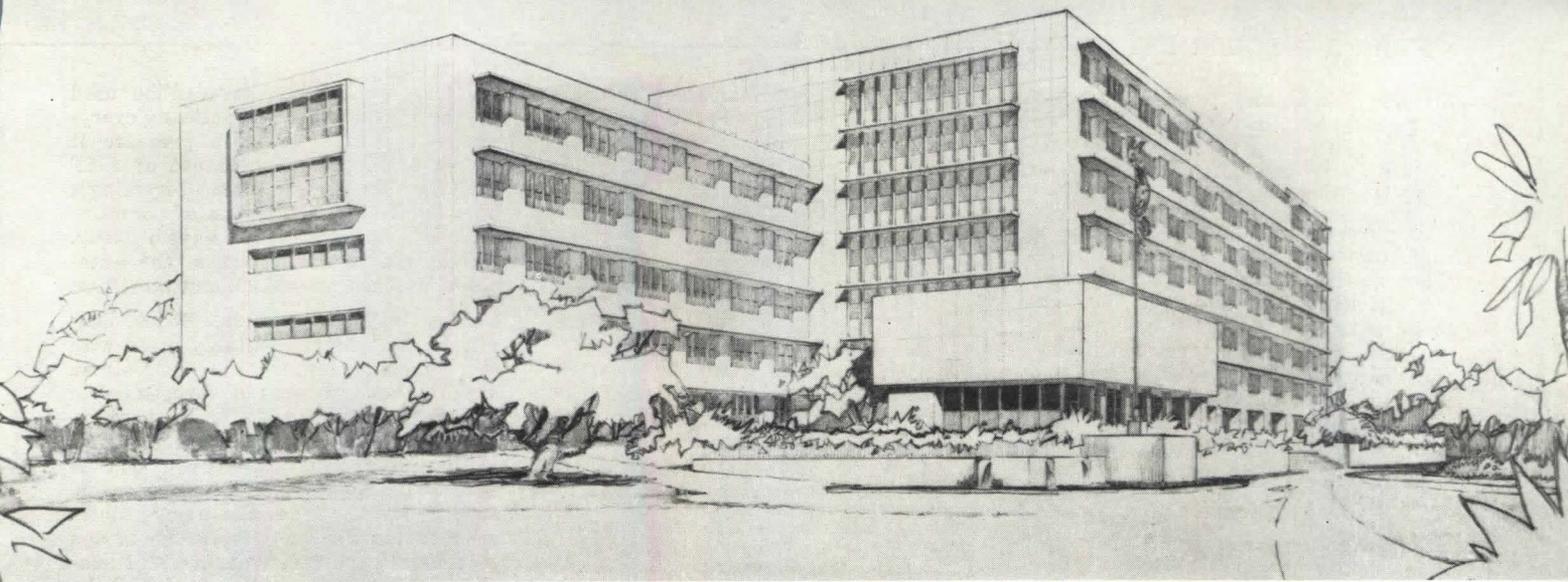
quired in his plans and specifications for each particular job.

There is possibly no function in the operation of a hospital that needs more careful study of equipment than the service of food to patients. To some extent this is a hotel function. It is such through the preparation and cooking periods; but after that it becomes a matter of getting the food to the patient in a way which will not detract from qualities that a patient looks for, such as appearance, taste, heat, and cleanliness.

The dietitian who will operate the food service should certainly be called in to help plan not only for the equipment to be used but also the method of transportation and the layout of the serving pantries. She will probably suggest the methods most familiar to her, which may or may not fit in with the building plans. Her cooperation is needed, but her advice is not necessarily the result of wide experience. A specialist in kitchen layout and equipment should also be consulted.

Food service specialists are usually employed by kitchen equipment manufacturers, and they are willing to advise and consult with the architect, the superintendent, and the dietitian. There are also available free-lance specialists, "food service consultants," who are free to think beyond the policies of a particular manufacturer. Consulting fees are usually reasonable and may be based on a daily or hourly rate. Frequently the consultant's fee is agreed upon and included in the architect's fee as a lump sum or outside price. If the consultant is retained for the very preliminary stages of planning, his advice may save much more than his fee.

The laundry is also a hotel function; most architectural firms have ready access to advice on layout and equipment. However, the hospital laundry must be geared to handle not only bed and table linen but also a large amount of personal clothing and uniforms. A detailed study may show that the wear and tear on linen and clothing, run countless times through washers and extractors which are not "self-dump-



THE VETERANS HOSPITAL PROGRAM continues to account for much of the activity in architectural offices. Above is a rendering of the veterans' hospital for Fresno, Calif., for which Masten & Hurd, Huber & Knapik are architects-engineers. In addition to the usual local structural requirements—earthquake resistance—there were several equipment problems. For instance, because the local climate is seasonally hot, the entire building is air conditioned. Again, storage had to be provided for three months' food supply at a time.

# EQUIPMENT

ing," more than makes up for the extra cost of fully automatic machinery. The architect can make such a study or can get help from impartial outsiders. The laundry machinery companies have their own products to sell; their advice will be useful but not necessarily final.

In laboratory and research spaces the selection of equipment depends largely upon the basis on which the hospital is going to be operated. If it is a small institution with the laboratory in charge of a technician and with only occasional visits from a pathologist, no research work will be done and the equipment will center around tables, sinks, and electrical connections for such aids as the technician is able to use. If there is a full-time pathologist, he will list in no uncertain terms the things that will make him happy. The list will be long, but his ideas are important.

The same principle applies to the equipment needed for anaesthesia. A nurse anaesthetist must stick to prescribed routines, but if the anaesthetist is a doctor, he will need additional items to carry on his research projects and his voice should be heard.

The architect cannot go wrong in the selection of X-ray machines if he sticks to recognized manufacturers. The radiologist will probably indicate the make he has been used to, and with any of the top-flight machines the grade of his work will be in line with his ability. It would be well in any case to decide on the manufacturer before the building plans are set. Not all machines are interchangeable and failure to decide on one make beforehand may mean ripping up the floors, or at least changing the plans, to reset conduits and junction boxes.

The medical board of a hospital is composed of busy men, but it is difficult to see how they could fail to be of help in planning the equipment in those departments where they do their work. Responsibility for the life of the patient is in their hands, and they surely should have and will want a voice in the selection of the equipment they will have to use. Here will be found a lack of collective agreement; if the

architect is to make the final decision, he will need a thorough understanding of what aseptic techniques and surgical cleanliness imply. Without such an understanding it is not easy to see how he can even plan the arrangement of rooms needed in the operating suite, or the layout of a central supply department. Good techniques can be followed only if the layout of space is done with thorough knowledge. The most carefully considered equipment located badly might well be of little use. Men such as Walter and Underwood\* have done much for the art of sterilization. A study of their findings will obviate a good deal that might otherwise prove unfortunate.

What does this boil down to? It has been suggested that the architect secure the services of a food service consultant and possibly a laundry consultant, and also that he call in from the hospital the dietitian, the pathologist, the anaesthetist, the radiologist, and finally the medical board. There is no doubt that a hospital can be equipped, and well equipped, by an architect who will take the time to study needs, types, uses, and procedures, and finally to sort out from the welter of conflicting opinions what he believes will give the best results. Has he the time, the patience, and the understanding to bring together the opinions of so many to form a cohesive whole? To be frank, it does not seem that all this necessary study is justified when there are available as hospital planning consultants those who have had a medical background and training in the operation of a hospital, and who are in a position to balance conflicting medical opinion. However, even if a consultant is retained, the architect cannot avoid final responsibility, which implies a fairly intimate knowledge of the uses and functions of the various items of equipment.

\*Carl W. Walter, M.D., Director, Laboratory for Surgical Research, Harvard Medical School, well known for his basic work in evaluating sterilizing techniques; and Weeden B. Underwood, who before his death in December 1946 was Research Engineer, American Sterilizer Co., and author of *Manual of Sterilization*, an authoritative work which has gone through two editions.

## STERILIZING EQUIPMENT

Sterilization is any process by which all pathogenic (disease-producing) organisms, including spores, can be completely destroyed. A sterilizer is an instrument effecting this process.

There are several methods of sterilization commonly employed in hospitals. Since sterilization can be accomplished by various combinations of time and moist heat, one method uses direct exposure to steam under pressure; another uses immersion in water at atmospheric pressure. Hot air at a temperature of about 350F, and chemicals, are also used for some articles that could not safely be exposed to moist heat. However, the most commonly used sterilizers fall into two general classifications: the non-pressure boiling water type, commonly called instrument, utensil, or dish sterilizers; and the pressure type, known as autoclaves, dressing, solution, or water sterilizers.

There is no such condition as "partly" sterile. An article is either sterile or

contaminated. A commonly quoted authority has published the following thermal death points for resistant pathogenic spore-bearing organisms in direct contact with saturated steam:

Steam Pressure	Temp.	Time
15 lb	250F	1 min
10 lb	240F	4 min
6 lb	230F	10 min

From this table it is readily apparent that the time required for sterilization increases rapidly as the temperature is reduced. Also it is clear why most steam pressure sterilizers are operated at about 18-lb steam pressure (255F).

**Pressure Sterilizers.** The time-temperature table shows the advantage of using pressure sterilizers for most purposes. The type of autoclave (a container designed for sterilization by steam pressure) commonly known as a dressing sterilizer, a medium size being 16" inside diameter by 24" inside length,

provides a machine that can be used for the sterilization of practically everything. Operated at 18-lb pressure it should develop a temperature of 255F (at sea level). Fabrics (dressing), utensils, basins, and flasks of solutions can all be sterilized expeditiously. Fitted with a set of trays, the autoclave becomes an instrument sterilizer.

**Boiling Water Sterilizers.** Boxes, usually made of Monel, suitably fitted with cover and tray and mounted on a stand, are filled with water; the water is boiled and instruments and utensils are immersed in the boiling water for sterilization. For instruments the box is usually 10" x 12" x 22", and for utensils, 20" x 20" x 24". The sterilizing tables show that at 212F a considerable period of time is required to insure sterilization, but common practice is to boil the articles for about 20 minutes, with the thought that thorough cleansing before sterilization will remove many bacteria, thereby helping to effect sterilization.

## LABORATORY EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE

Hospital laboratories cannot be standardized, but their furniture can. A small hospital may concentrate all of its laboratory work in one room; a large institution may have separate departments for pathology, chemistry, bacteriology, serology, etc., each requiring special equipment. Adjunct spaces may include morgue and autopsy rooms, glass washing and sterilizing room, and animal rooms. The spaces required and equipment needed in them must be worked out with the proper hospital authorities.

Laboratory furniture has been well standardized by the manufacturing industry. While many types of tables, cabinets, and special work counters are available (with sinks or without, with or without compartments under them, with titration stands, etc.), they are largely interchangeable, and should be planned for flexible use. The greatest distinction is in height of work counter; determination should be made whether work to be done requires standing or sitting.

Furniture is available in both wood and steel. While the choice is often a matter of technician's preference, and while wood furniture is somewhat cheaper, steel, for obvious reasons, is usually preferable. Specification (see typical specification following) is extremely important.

Careful consideration should be given to selection of table tops, location and the type of plumbing and electrical services. Various top materials are available, all of which have their own special merits and should be used accordingly. In general there are six types of material available: soapstone, vari-

black carbonized birch, treated wood fiber, linoleum, and stainless steel. It is poor policy to use one material indiscriminately, because each has its own application. The technicians should be consulted for their personal preferences and a study of the use should be made. Soapstone is probably the most durable, but it affords a cold working surface and due to its hardness increases glass breakage. There are various types of impregnated and treated asbestos materials which afford a high acid and alkaline resistance. Black carbonized birch has been a standard top material for a number of years and gives good service. However, it should not be used where large amounts of water are likely to be spilled. Linoleum affords a pleasing resilient surface but is very subject to damage from heat. Stainless steel is the most expensive of the top materials available and should not be used in areas where acids will be used, particularly hydrochloric acid. It does make a fine top for sterile areas.

The laboratory furniture industry has developed specialized types of plumbing and electrical fixtures which are not generally available to the general plumbing trade. For this reason it is particularly important that these accessories be included as part of the furniture. Generally, drainage plumbing can be of lead. The alternative is silicon iron which is considerably more expensive. Special requirements for gas, electric, and air outlets must be carefully considered.

Although the smaller hospital will not require chemical fume hoods, larger ones will. These hoods can be constructed of soapstone, plain asbestos

finished to increase its corrosion resistance. In providing for ventilating the hoods, it will be necessary to provide a separate ventilating system. In determining the size of blowers, it will be necessary to provide a fan of sufficient capacity to evacuate 70 cu ft per minute for each sq ft of hood space opening. In air-conditioned laboratories it is important that this be considered in computing the amount of air to be supplied to the laboratories. Obviously, if this is not done, the fume hood will not work. In large hospitals, where there are large numbers of such installations, pressurized hoods should be considered. This type of hood operates on two fan systems, one supplying approximately 80% of the air from the atmosphere with the other 20% taken out of the room. The use of this type of fume hood will result in a substantial saving in heating and processed air.

Laboratories may require special sterilizing equipment (small autoclaves, hot air sterilizers). Other special items may be an incubator (perhaps a small table type, perhaps a special room); centrifuge (which whirls at high speeds, may require special structural considerations); special refrigerators. Much laboratory equipment (bunsen burners, balances, microscopes, shaking machines, slicing machines, etc.) consists of loose items, requiring only proper table tops. Peg boards (for glass tubes, bottles, graduates) should be placed where needed.

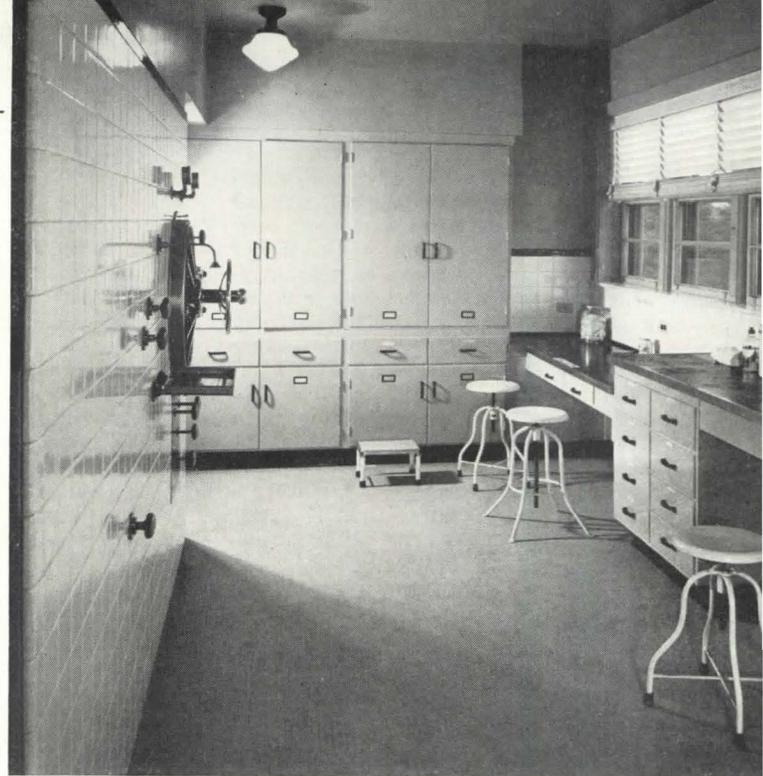
Autopsy tables, mortuary refrigerators, animal autopsy tables, animal cages, etc., are items which require careful specification. (Many of these items appear in the two installments of the

Cost is less than that of pressure sterilizers; possibility of misuse due to haste may be greater.

**Water Sterilizers.** Tanks, usually about 15-gal capacity each, mounted in pairs, are used to sterilize water at 18-lb pressure (255F). Water is readily sterilized by heat but is difficult to retain in a sterile condition, due to possible contamination as air enters a tank to replace sterile water being withdrawn. For that reason, it is better practice to use tanks of small capacity and plan to sterilize the water two or three times a day, instead of using large-capacity tanks which would be operated only once a day.

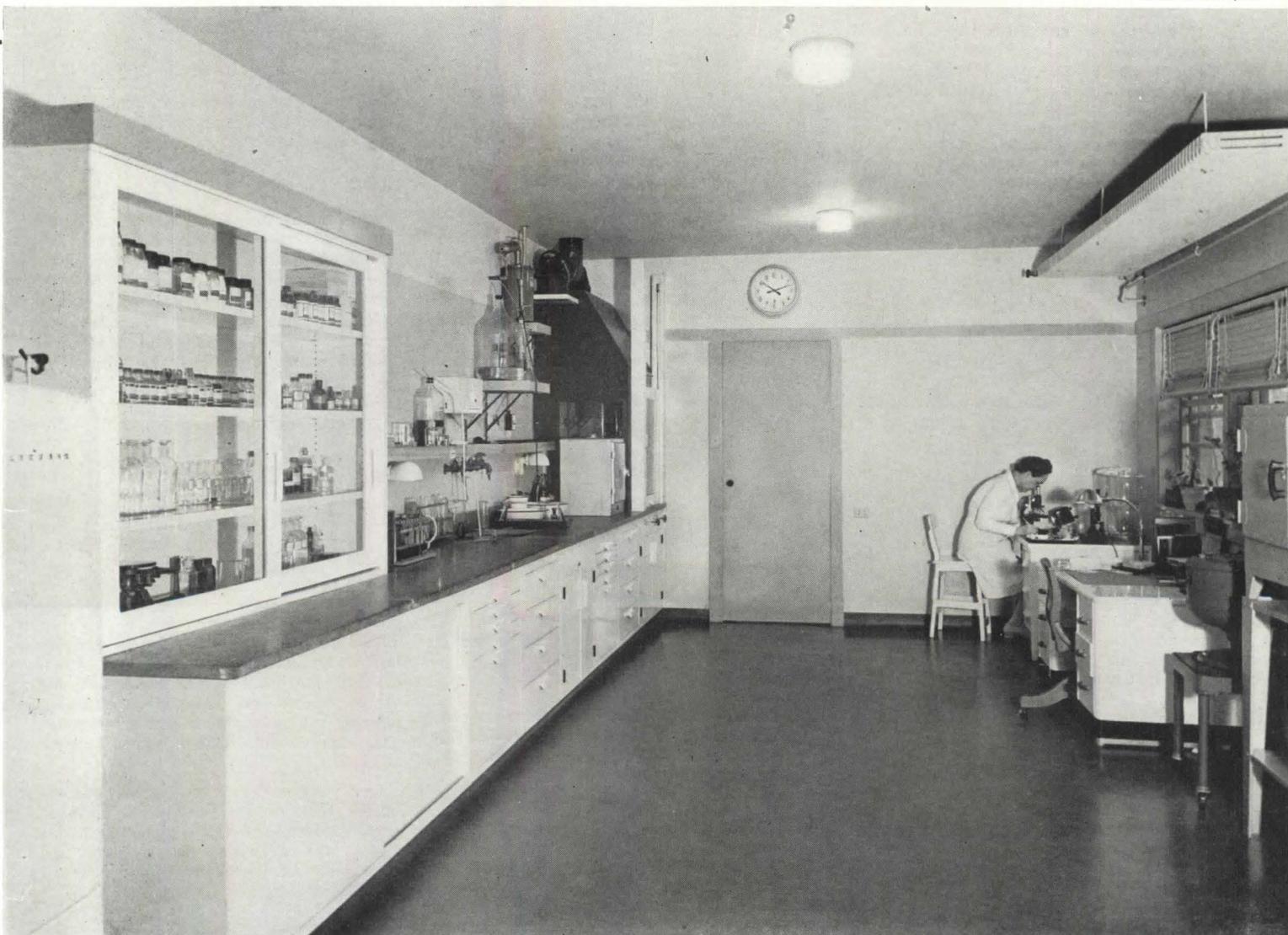
Sterilizers are used principally in connection with operating and delivery rooms (where pressure sterilizers are mandatory), in the central sterile supply room, and in treatment and utility rooms. Laboratory spaces will have special sterilizing requirements.

**CENTRAL STERILE SUPPLY** room, Sylacauga Hospital, Sylacauga, Ala.; Charles H. McCauley, Architect.



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**LABORATORY**, Midland Hospital, Midland, Mich.; Alden B. Dow, Architect.

## X-RAY EQUIPMENT

X-ray equipment may be used for diagnosis or for treatment (therapy). Small hospitals are usually concerned only with diagnostic equipment; in larger institutions additional space and equipment may be required for deep or superficial therapy, or both. Diagnosis may be by means of radiography (the taking of pictures) or fluoroscopy (direct visualization). Radiographic and fluoroscopic machines operate usually on 208-220 v, AC, single-phase service, though some types require three-phase service. Current for X-ray purposes should be supplied by an independent system. Equipment must be grounded.

Diagnostic rooms will require radiographic or fluoroscopic generators (200 or 500 MA, 100 KVP capacity), shock-proof radiographic X-ray tube (rotating or stationary), tubestand, tilt table (hand operated or motor driven), and a cassette changer or holder. Fluoroscopy requires a darkened room, radiography does not.

Therapeutic rooms will contain a superficial, intermediate, or deep therapy generator (from 12 KVP capacity to—in a few instances—million-volt machines), tube, tubestand, and treatment table or couch.

In each instance the control panel will be located in an adjacent space.

Special requirements may include a cystoscopic room, for genitourinary work, requiring a urological X-ray table; and a fracture room, perhaps calling for a fracture table and a bronchoscopic table. Outpatient X-ray facilities will depend on the planning program. They may include complete diagnostic equipment, may be limited to dental X-ray (usually a self-contained unit assembly), or may develop special equipment needs.

## FOOD SERVICE EQUIPMENT

The handling of food for patients and personnel in a hospital is a continuous operation, seven days a week the year 'round. Food is the one medicine that all patients must have. Proper allocation of space (for storage, for work, for equipment, and for traffic) is important in preliminary planning. No rule-of-thumb calculation can be safely used for space requirements—an actual layout must be made. (Queried on this point, one authority said 15 sq ft per person, another, 30.)

Many factors determine the area and type of equipment needed: whether the institution is a general hospital, or specializes in tuberculosis, psychiatry, etc.; whether it is located near a good source of constant food supply, or whether deliveries will be so infrequent that meat must be purchased in large quantities and cut and trimmed at the hospital, and dry stores must be purchased in bulk.

A hospital kitchen is a production line; proper flow is important. Main spaces, with the basic equipment requirements,

are as follows:

**Receiving, sorting, storage, etc.** Scale, bins, racks, shelves, refrigerators (for meat, fruit, vegetables, dairy products), garbage refrigerator, can washer, truck washing equipment.

**Preparation.** Vegetable preparation requires peeler (with peel trap), two-compartment sink, work table. Meat preparation needs meat block, bench, and sink; perhaps poultry block, bench, and sink, as well as food cutter, fish bench, extra sink, fish refrigerator.

**Main kitchen.** Main cooking equipment includes ranges, fryers, steam kettles, vegetable steamers (all with vent hood above). Work tables are needed in front of ranges and kettles, in which should be set steam table and bainmarie for serving meats, vegetables, and soups. Perhaps this serving area will have toasters, coffee urns, egg boilers, etc. Food trucks will go from here to ele-

vator. Adjuncts to main kitchen may include bakery (oven, proof box, mixer, sink table), and salad preparation (table, sink, peeler, cutter).

**Special diet kitchen.** Usually requires its own range, broiler, refrigerator, sinks, work table, etc.

**Dishwashing.** Dishwasher, glass washers, soiled and clean tables, storage units. Some hospitals prefer decentralized dishwashing in ward serving pantries.

**Ward serving pantries.** Sizes and equipment will depend on whether trays are loaded on heated trucks in main kitchen, whether food is taken in bulk to floor serving pantries and set up in trays there, or whether food is dished on trays at the bedside, from a food cart. This room may include dishwashing for its nursing unit. Minimum requirements are sink, refrigerator, work counters, cabinets. Allow space for

## LAUNDRY EQUIPMENT

A hospital laundry consists of four functional parts, with the following major items of equipment:

**Washing and extracting.** Washers may be of various types, with capacity to handle 100% of the laundry poundage. Extractors take out the excess moisture.

**Tumbling.** Drying tumblers are designed to render bone dry such material as bath towels, underwear, etc. (about

30%, generally, of the hospital laundry in pounds).

**Flatwork.** Flatwork ironers iron sheets, pillow cases, hand towels, etc.—65%, generally, of the hospital laundry poundage.

**Pressing.** Presses are required for ironing uniforms and personal wearing apparel. In most hospitals, this is only 5% of the load.

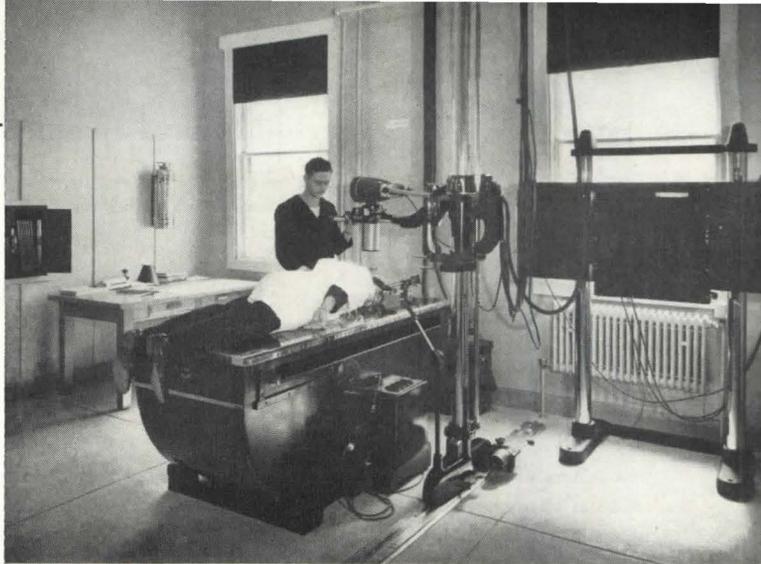
These major equipment items require hot water at 180F, cold water, steam at 100 lbs, and electric service for motor operation. Adjunct equipment usually includes sinks, ironing boards, soap dispensers, laundry trays, work tables.

The arrangement of the equipment requires such an intimate knowledge of capacities and special requirements that expert advice (which the architect can check) should be secured. For average installations it is wise to allow 12 sq ft

Adjunct spaces and their basic requirements are: darkroom, with loading bench, special storage units, developing tank and sink, film dryer, pass box to radiographic room, etc.; and viewing room, containing stereoscopic, built-in, or fixed illuminators.

There are many possible pitfalls in planning an X-ray department to provide proper protection for patient and staff. Standards should be studied carefully, the process should be understood, and equipment must be satisfactory and properly placed.

**X-RAY ROOM, Triborough Hospital, New York; Eggers & Higgins, Architects.**



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trucks.

The foregoing is not a check list, but indicates principal divisions of equipment needed. Other spaces may need fixed equipment—offices, cafeterias for help and staff, locker rooms, toilets, etc.

There are, of course, hundreds of items of food handling equipment. Most of them are standard in manufacture and can be specified directly. Others may be specially designed to meet particular requirements. The advantage of one manufacturer's product over another's must be weighed and discussed with the dietitian and whatever consultant is used.

For most items, stainless steel is the best material available to withstand hard wear, rust, and food juices. Tables, counter tops, and sinks should be not less than 14-gage. Ranges may be gas or electric. Kettles and steamers operate on high pressure steam. Warmers, urns, and dishwashers can be heated by electricity, or may use the steam service which a hospital needs in any event for sterilizers and laundry equipment.

**KITCHEN, Midland Hospital, Midland, Mich.; Alden B. Dow, Architect.**



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in the laundry room for each patient bed in the hospital. For rough estimating a figure of \$15.00 per bed may be used for laundry equipment. Surgical, neuropsychiatric, and tuberculosis hospitals have greater loads than the average.

Laundry equipment requires door openings at least 6'-6" by 7'-6", and clear ceiling heights of 12'-0" for individually powered equipment, 14'-0" for line-shafted motors. Flatwork ironers should be vented by hoods.

**LAUNDRY, O'Connor Hospital, San Jose, Calif., showing automatic unloading washer.**



*Courtesy American Laundry Machinery Co.*

# Typical Streamlined Specifications for METAL CASEWORK FOR HOSPITALS – PART I

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The editors of PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE present another in the series of streamlined specifications. This example, concerned with the type of hospital equipment loosely called "furniture," has been developed from actual job specifications to the point where it includes nearly every casework item and condition encountered in any hospi-

tal building. Casework is a particularly tricky subject; substitutions, skimping, or mistakes are easy to make though difficult to detect. A reliable base specification should prove invaluable. The second and concluding portion of this Specification will appear next month.

## GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

### 1. GENERAL:

- A) Applicable provisions of "General Conditions" govern work under this Section.
- B) These Specifications are of the abbreviated or "streamlined" type and include incomplete sentences. Omissions of words or phrases such as "the Contractor shall," "in conformity therewith," "shall be," "as noted on the Drawings," "according to the plans," "a," "an," "the," and "all" are intentional. Omitted words or phrases shall be supplied by inference in the same manner as they are when a "note" occurs on the Drawings.
- C) The Contractor shall provide all items, articles, materials, operations or methods listed, mentioned or scheduled on the Drawings and/or herein, including all labor, materials, equipment and incidentals necessary and required for their completion.

### 2. WORK INCLUDED:

- A) Metal casework and miscellaneous equipment indicated, specified or both.
- B) Items required under this contract are indicated M-1, M-2, M-3 and so forth.

### 3. RELATED WORK NOT INCLUDED:

- A) Furring and lathing.
- B) Hollow metal.
- C) Raised masonry platforms including finish thereof.
- D) Rubber bases on equipment items.
- E) Plumbing equipment, water supply and gas fittings such as gas, air and vacuum cocks, water valves, drains, faucets, fittings of every nature, rough and finished piping unless otherwise specified.
- F) Steam valves, fittings, rough and finished piping, steam and ventilation work of every nature unless otherwise specified.
- G) Electrical equipment, appurtenances, motors, fittings, conduits, cables, wiring, outlet boxes, switches, lights, receptacles and electrical work of every nature unless otherwise specified.
- H) Sterilizing equipment.
- I) Metal cabinets and miscellaneous equipment indicated as "N.I.C." (Not in contract).
- J) Wood cabinets.
- K) Equipment, counters, hoods, tables and sinks in connection with kitchens, pantries, cafeterias and food preparation areas.

### 4. MANUFACTURER'S QUALIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL:

- A) Work described herein: by manufacturer who has in operation sufficient size plant with necessary tools, dies, equipment, en-

gineering personnel to make required equipment without sub-letting fabrication of any part thereof.

- B) Submit proof that (1) manufacturer has equipment, skill, experience, financial resources to handle work in satisfactory manner (2) can deliver material in such quantities as not to delay building progress.
- C) Submit manufacturer's name before awarding contract. Architect's decision: final; make no award without his consent.
- D) Equipment: equal to quality as made by Herring-Hall-Marvin Safe Company, Art Metal Construction Company or The General Fireproofing Company.

### 5. WORKMANSHIP SAMPLE:

- A) As condition precedent to contract award, and to determine work quality and character, submit within 15 days after notification such full size samples of any part of work which in Architect's opinion is required to adequately judge work quality and character.
- B) If samples do not conform to contract intent they will be rejected. Upon notification, remove rejected samples.
- C) If samples are approved, they may be used as part of required equipment.

### 7. MEASUREMENTS:

- A) Within 30 days after contract award, submit, in triplicate, large scale shop drawings of each item indicating construction details, metal gages, adjacent wall and floor conditions, building base dimensions, roughing-in requirements for mechanical and electrical work and the like.
- B) Prepare schedule indicating numbers of items, floors, rooms, spaces, also Architect's drawing number on which affected items appear.

### 7. MEASUREMENTS:

- A) Verify dimensions and conditions at job. Cooperate with others whose work bears relation to or comes in contact with required work.

### 8. SUPERVISION:

- A) Place competent, experienced representative in charge to supervise, coordinate, expedite work.
- B) Representative: devote his time exclusively to field work until completion and acceptance thereof.

### 9. INSTALLATION:

- A) Deliver, position, install equipment at times when construction, finish, mechanical and electrical work have advanced to state ready to permit equipment installation.
- B) Cut, fit, drill, tap work to accommodate mechanical, electrical and other contiguous work. Obtain from those requiring same and be responsible for exact locations of required penetrations. Patch, scribe to fit work to adjacent surfaces. Furnish tap screws, bolts, metal fillers, fittings, appur-

tenances to complete and finish work in every detail as approved.

- C) Remove, dispose of cratings, protective coverings. Keep premises clean, free from waste materials, rubbish of every nature arising from work. Do not permit accumulation of waste materials, rubbish.
- D) During work installation and until completion and acceptance thereof, adequately protect work from injury or damage to finish. Remove damaged or defective work; replace with new.
- E) After completion and before Architect's final inspection, remove protective material, clean items free from defects, blemishes.

## MATERIALS AND FINISHES

### 1. METALS—IN GENERAL:

- A) Metals: free from defects impairing strength, durability, appearance. Sections, shapes: rolled, die-formed, drawn or pressed as required. Molded work: sharply defined profiles, clean, straight, true. Plain work: level, straight, true, smooth. Edges, angles, corners: square, sharp.

### 2. SHEET STEEL:

- A) Sheet steel: prime grade cold rolled furniture steel, known to trade as metal furniture stock. Sheets: free from dents, buckles, deep scratches or other injurious defects. Angles, flats, tees, channels, leg moldings, other required shapes: cold rolled, formed sheet steel.
- B) Finish: finish steel with acid, alkali, solvent, water and abrasion resistant baked enamel paint of approved color. Steel parts to be enameled: thoroly cleaned before finishing; framing parts: made smooth; plate surfaces: well sanded; give entire item benzine bath to remove oil, dirt; follow with well baked mineral filler coat, applied by dipping or spraying to insure covering all surfaces; this to be thoroly rubbed down to smooth even surface, coated with best baking Japan, baked at temperature of 150 to 300 degrees F dependent on color. Number of coats: determined by color. Furnish certificate from approved laboratory to effect that enamel finish on steel meets following tests. Ratios are by volume.

- 1) Immersed in solution 18 hours at 70 to 80 degrees F.
 

Cold Water	No effect.
Nitric acid C.P.	No effect beyond slight concentrated: one softening, slight discoloration; water: 9 parts oration.
Sulphuric acid, No effect.	
C.P. concentrated:	one part; water: 2 parts
Sodium chloride,	No effect. concentrated
Sodium Hydroxide,	No effect beyond slight softening, slight discoloration.
- 2) Immersed in solution 15 minutes at 70 to 80 degrees F.
 

Acetone	Some loss of gloss,
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It is recommended that this work be prepared as a separate contract whenever possible.

slight softening permissible, but coating must remain intact.

Acetic Acid	No effect beyond slight softening.
Alcohol (ethyl) 95 PC	No effect beyond slight softening.
Ethel (ethyl)	Slight softening, but when dried, coating: uninjured.
Xylol	No effect beyond slight softening. Coat not injured, except slight dulling effect after Xylol disappears.
3) Immersed in boiling solution.	
Sodium Hydroxide: 10 per cent	May cause slight discoloration and attack a little, but coating: neither pierced nor removed.
Water: two hours	No effect.

C) Give angle type shelving one baked enamel coat unless required to be galvanized.

### 3. STAINLESS STEEL:

A) **Stainless steel:** Republic Steel Corp.'s "Enduro 18-8," U.S. Steel Subsidiaries' "U.S.S. 18-8" or American Rolling Mill Co.'s "Armco Type 302."

B) **Finish:** 4.

C) **Option:** Where stainless steel is required, Monel metal may be used in lieu thereof. Monel metal: contain approximately 2/3 nickel, 1/3 copper. Gages, finish: as required for stainless steel.

### 4. GALVANIZED IRON:

A) **Galvanized iron:** American Rolling Mill Co.'s "Armco Ingot Iron" or Republic Steel Corp.'s galvanized "Toncan Iron."

### 5. BRONZE:

A) **Bronze:** best grade commercial stock, suitable hardness, color uniformity. Extruded: 3/32" thick. Drawn or formed: 1/16" thick. Cast: 3/16" thick, fine texture, free from blow holes or other defects impairing either durability or appearance, sharp true lines, accurate profiles.

### 6. LEAD:

A) **Lead:** A.S.T.M., B29.

B) **Sheet lead:** rolled to exact required thickness, not vary therefrom more than 3% over entire surface.

### 7. GLASS:

A) **Clear:** for cabinet doors not otherwise indicated, clear window glass, double strength, "A" quality, set in approved felt.

B) **Obscure:** best quality, rolled figure pattern, hammered surface or ribs, pyramids or other approved obscure pattern, 1/8" thick, set in approved felt, with smooth surface on side as directed.

C) **Plate:** good color, highly polished, "glazing" quality, not less than 1/4" nor more than 3/8" thick. Glass shelves up to and including 18" by 36": 1/4" thick; over this size: 1/2" thick. Ends, rear edges: ground smooth; front edge: ground, polished. Where required, plate glass: bent to radii or indicated contours. Cut out hand and speaking holes; grind, polish edges thereof including that of sheets.

D) **Clear wire:** not less than 1/4" at thinnest point, Mississippi Glass Co.'s "Misco Polished Wire Glass" or Blue Ridge Glass Corp.'s "Nuweid Polished Wire Glass."

E) **Mirror:** No. 1 quality, CS-27 for "Plate Glass Mirrors," 1/4" thick. Back: thoroly silvered, heavily electroplated with copper, given two coats best quality varnish, lacquer or dampproof paint as approved.

F) **Structural:** 1/2" thick, polished, milk white color, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.'s "Carara," set on 1/16" thick approved felt.

### 8. SOAPSTONE:

A) **Soapstone:** natural impure talc, blue gray rock, free of lamination, stratification, cleavage, homogeneous, except for minimum veinings, finely granular in all directions; calcite or solid carbonate veins: not permitted; solid, free of chipped or broken pieces; jointing and patching of broken or chipped sections: not permitted. Furnish certificate from approved laboratory to effect that soapstone has following physical properties:

1) **Modulus of rupture** in any direction: 2000 lbs. per square inch minimum.

2) **Abrasive hardness (ha)** as determined by National Bureau of Standards: at least 4.5. Pharmacy sink fixture: minimum hardness of not less than 16.

3) **Maximum water absorption** by weight: not over .20 of one percent.

4) **Under abrasive use:** wear to surface similar to coarse sandpaper, shall not scale, spall nor show exposed elongated crystals.

5) **Highly resistant** to actions of chemicals, particularly acids, also those salts that expand when drying out of solutions.

6) **Following minima equalled or exceeded:** upon immersion for 30 days in mixture of sulphuric and chromic acids, sample shall not lose more than three per cent by weight when ratio of exposed surface to cubic content of specimen is not less than 5/3. Acid solution: made of 2000 c.c. concentrated sulphuric acid, 270 grams potassium bichromate, 350 c.c. water.

7) **Soapstone:** type that has demonstrated, in actual use, successful resistance to action of chemicals that expand when drying out of solutions, such as sodium hypochlorite.

B) **Finish.** Exposed faces, edges: honed. On completion of soapstone work: clean thoroly, treat with wax-oil dressing mixed as follows—one pound paraffin wax, one quart kerosene oil, 2 quarts raw linseed oil, lampblack to approved shade. Melt wax in hot kerosene oil, cool mixture, add hot linseed oil, lampblack. Slight thinning with additional kerosene oil permitted if mixture is too thick for application. Use sufficient lampblack to produce nearly black color. Saturate surfaces for two hours, rub off, leave dry, free from wax-oil excess.

C) **Litharge and glycerine** for soapstone work: made to paste consistency with fresh material, colored with lampblack to match finished soapstone.

D) **Calking** for soapstone work: approved mastic, color to match finished soapstone.

### 9. WOOD:

A) **Maple:** clear, best quality, straight grained, hard, free from imperfections; sand smooth.

B) **Birch:** selected, close grain, northern yellow, free from imperfections; sand smooth.

C) **Finish on maple and birch:** linseed oil, apply in three applications, allow to dry after each, rub excess, buff surface.

D) **Carbonized birch:** acid-proofed carbonized finish as follows (by weight):

Coat 1:	
Iron sulphate .....	4 parts
Copper .....	4 parts
Potash permanganate .....	8 parts
Water .....	84 parts

Coat 2:	
Aniline (oil or salt) .....	12 parts
Hydrochloric acid .....	18 parts
Water .....	70 parts

Apply two hot films of Coat 1, second as soon as first is dry. Remove last coat excess when dry. Apply two films of Coat 2. Dry thoroly, apply linseed oil using cloth in lieu of brush to produce thin coat. Oil may be thinned with turpentine. Color should develop to ebony in few hours, may then be washed with soap, water. Under-side of carbonized birch work: apply one coat of aluminum paint in asphalt vehicle.

### 10. LINOLEUM:

A) **Linoleum:** 1/8" thick, approved color, satin smooth desk finish, as made by Armstrong Cork Co. or Congoleum Nairn Co.

B) Cement linoleum to steel top plates.

### 11. HARDWARE FINISH:

A) **Hardware:** heavily plated with nickel chromium producing dull satin finish as approved.

### 12. REQUIRED SAMPLES:

A) **Metals,** including finish: 6" square.

B) **Glass,** each kind: 12" square.

C) **Soapstone, maple, birch,** including finish: 12" square.

D) **Carbonized birch:** 12" square.

E) **Linoleum:** 6" square.

F) **Hardware:** each kind.

## SOAPSTONE CONSTRUCTION

### 1. FUME HOODS:

A) **Hoods:** soapstone superstructure with stainless steel counterbalanced sash, wire mesh access doors, supported on metal units. Counter: 2" thick, specially selected soapstone suitable for heat work, with drip as specified for soapstone tops, with exposed edges rounded to 1/2" radius. Backs, sides, jams, lintels, gutters, tops, baffles, balance of soapstone work: 1/4" thick. Soapstone: pierced, rebated and the like to receive all mechanical and electrical services. Gutters at lintels: drain to hood ends. Exposed soapstone edges, unless otherwise specified: rounded to 1/4" radius.

B) **Hoods: rigidly assembled** with concealed bolts, dowels, screws; fill joints solidly with litharge and glycerine, point neatly. Reinforcing bolts and screw hole heads: countersunk, plugged with litharge and glycerine. Sash pulleys: approved ball-bearing cast bronze. Sash weights: cast lead, suspended on approved bronze chains. Expose no metal on hood interiors. Fit sash with clear wire glass, set in approved stainless steel frame, equipped with two stainless steel pulls similar to drawer pulls.

C) **On each fume hood: suitable exhaust collar** or connection piece of non-corrosive metal. Provide solid panel hinged type access doors to hood blower enclosures. Doors: hinged to hollow metal frame. Equip doors with knobs, spring catches, as described herein.

### 2. SINKS:

A) **General.** Sink sides: 1/4" thick; flush bottoms: 1/2" thick, grooved to receive sides, pitched to drains. Assemble sinks with rebated joints, nuts, bolts, set in litharge and glycerine in watertight manner.

B) **Pharmacy sink:** 1/4" and 1/2" soapstone, assembled in manner as specified above; consist of two compartments, grooved drain-board, 3" wide dividing partition with 1/4" deep depression and drips for soap recesses. Face of soapstone projected curb: flush with sink backs, pierced for 21 pegs, furnished with 12 birch pegs. Provide soapstone graduate rack as indicated and as specified for similar work. Cabinet unit: 1/4" thick soapstone sides, bottom, back, curb; assembled in watertight manner as specified for similar work; contain two 11 gage stainless steel flush grids supported on stainless steel angle cleats. Provide 4 baskets formed of 12 gage stainless steel wire, 1/2" mesh, bound with 6 gage wire frame. Cabinet unit: provide two 1/4" thick five ply, laminated birch face veneered flush doors, 1" clearance at top and bottom, finished with 5 coat acid-resisting enamel. Support sinks on legs, bracing, reinforcement as specified herein for similar work. Doors in pharmacy sink: provide 3 1/2" high butts, wrought bronze, chromiomed, secured to soapstone by thru bolts in approved manner.

### 3. DRAINBOARDS:

A) **Drainboards:** 1/4" thick, flush, with pitched grooving.

### 4. DRAIN TROUGHS AND COVERS:

A) **Drain troughs:** 1/4" thick soapstone, rebated joints, bolt and nut construction, set in cement in watertight manner. Trough bottoms: pitch approximately 1" in 5'0" by rebating trough sides at angle to accommodate bottom.

B) **Covers.** Where indicated, provide 16 gage perforated stainless steel cover plates with edges underflanged 1/4", set in rebates flush with tops; make removable.

### 5. REAGENT SHELVES, SUPPORTS, MANIFOLDS:

A) **Shelves:** 1/4" thick, doweled, cemented to supports. Soapstone shelf supports: 1/2" thick, rebated to receive shelves. Supports: make removable without dismantling any part of shelves or table.

B) **Soapstone manifolds:** 1/4" and 1/2" thick, assembled in units as indicated, make structurally secure in every respect.

### 6. CURBS:

A) **Wall type curbs and returns:** 1/4" thick by indicated heights. Abut curbs in flush manner to plastered or unplastered cinder concrete blocks, tile and units. Where tile or glazed unit walls occur, curbs: have 1/4"

projection from finished wall surfaces. Curbs: in as long lengths as practical, splined as hereafter specified for tops.

- B) **Projected type curbs:** 3/4" thick for horizontal members, 1 1/4" thick for vertical members by indicated heights. Joints: doweled, cemented in approved manner, bolted to supports as herein specified. Curbs: in lengths as herein specified. Where such curbs project above finished stool level, enclose backs with similar materials.

**7. TABLE AND COUNTER TOPS:**

- A) **Tops:** 1 1/4" thick, unless otherwise specified. Exposed surfaces, edges: have smooth honed finish; edges: slightly beveled. Joints: flush, tight, reinforced with brass splines set into grooves on either side of joint; made watertight with litharge and glycerine.
- B) **Provide drip grooves** 3/16" deep, located 3/4" back from exposed edges. Where curbs about tops, such joints: secured together in approved manner; make watertight.

**8. PEGBOARDS AND PEGS:**

- A) **Pegboards:** 1 3/8" thick, drilled for 7/16" diameter pegs, spaced 6" on centers, with exposed edges slightly beveled. Drill holes at 45 degree angle.
- B) **Pegs:** polished natural birch, 7/16" diameter, project 7" beyond board face, rounded tips. Furnish one peg for every hole.

**9. GRADUATE RACKS:**

- A) **Graduate racks:** 1 1/4" thick, cut to dimensions, profiles, chamfered edges, as indicated. Secure in position in approved manner.

**10. SHELVES AND BRACKETS:**

- A) **Shelves:** 1 1/4" thick by indicated dimensions; keep 1" clear of enclosing partitions; support on brackets as described under "Shelves and Brackets," "Carbonized Birch Construction."

**11. BALANCE TABLES:**

- A) **Balance tables:** 6'0" by 1'9" by 2'7" high, 1 1/4" thick soapstone sub-top, raised beveled edges to prevent glass from shifting; 1/2" thick polished white Carrara glass top, with 1/4" thick felt cushion under entire glass.

**12. SUPPORTS:**

- A) **Where supports for soapstone equipment** such as sinks, table tops, curbs, drain troughs are required other than in cabinet work, construct as follows: Wall angles: 2" by 2" 14 gage steel attached with toggle bolts or expansion shields as conditions require. Brackets: 1 1/2" by 1 1/2" 14 gage steel, welded corners. Legs: 2" by 2" 14 gage formed up posts with cross members of same material. Equip legs with flanges for fastening to floor and soapstone.
- B) **Under sinks, tables, and the like,** whether supported by brackets or posts, furnish 4 sided angle iron frame, welded joints. Posts: secured to angle frames with sleeves of 1/8" steel, bolted to angles.

**CARBONIZED BIRCH CONSTRUCTION**

**1. TOPS:**

- A) **Carbonized birch tops:** 1 3/8" thick, unless otherwise required, built of 3 1/2" wide strips with edge strips 4 1/2" wide, located at top perimeter and at all cutouts therein; glued under 200 pound per square inch pressure with casein glue. Reinforce tops by means of 1/2" tie rods extending entirely thru tops across grain. Locate bolts 3" from each end and sink cutout, space 24" on centers. Bolts: have nuts and heavy leaf spring washers designed to exert pressure at all times and so arranged that, while concealed, nuts will be easily available without removing top or disturbing supporting units. Secure tops to units with provision made for expansion and contraction of tops. Drip grooves and jointing of curbs: as specified for soapstone tops. Exposed edges: slightly rounded.
- B) **Maple and birch tops:** 1 1/4" thick, unless otherwise required, built of 3" wide strips, glued up with splines. Where special backs

or ends are indicated: coved at their base at intersection of top.

**2. DRAINBOARDS:**

- A) **Drainboards:** have natural finish, 1 5/8" thick, grooved as specified for soapstone drainboards; secured to soapstone sinks in approved watertight manner.

**3. SHELVES AND BRACKETS:**

- A) **Shelves:** as hereinbefore specified for similar work, kept 1" clear of enclosing partitions, in as long lengths as practicable, 1 1/8" thick by indicated dimensions, provided with birch curbs 7/8" thick by 2" high, located at rear of shelves, where required.
- B) **Brackets for wood shelves:** 14 gage steel with wall flange 2" wide to properly cover holes drilled in walls for their supports. Where shelves are indicated to stand away from wall: have angle stop properly placed to accomplish desired result; have turned up lip at front to act as stop for shelf. Where three or more shelves occur in height, brackets: welded to 14 gage channel, 2" wide by 1" deep. Mount these channels on wall. 1" depth of channel shall serve as stop for keeping shelf away from wall instead of angle specified above for single brackets.

**4. CURBS:**

- A) **Wall type curbs and returns:** 1 1/8" thick by indicated heights. Curbs: abut walls and partitions as specified for soapstone wall type curbs. Exposed edges: slightly rounded.
- B) **Projected type curbs:** 3/4" thick for horizontal members, 1 1/8" thick for vertical members by indicated heights. Joints: assembled in approved manner; curbs: bolted to supports as hereinafter specified. Exposed edges: slightly rounded. Where wall type curbs abut projected type curbs, both: of same total height.

**5. GRADUATE RACKS:**

- A) **Graduate racks:** 1 1/8" thick, cut to dimensions, profiles, chamfered edges as indicated. Secure in position in approved manner.

**FURNITURE STEEL CONSTRUCTION**

**1. WORKMANSHIP:**

- A) **Construct work in strict accord with contract requirements.** Insofar as possible, fit, construct, fabricate work at shop, ready for delivery, erection at building. Give work that cannot be shop fabricated trial fit and assembly at shop to insure proper, expeditious field assembly.
- B) **Construct each unit as complete integral one;** make structurally firm with approved reinforcement to carry without vibration, sway, strain, where required, any superimposed loads and such other apparatus or equipment required to be placed on affected units.
- C) **Mechanically interlock joints** with overlapping areas electrically spot welded. Electrically arc-weld right angle joints in addition to proper notching, keying, tight fitting; form rigid mechanical interlocking joint construction.
- D) **Where unit depths are indicated** or specified, said depth: from inside surface of metal back to outside face.
- E) **Defective work** of any nature will be rejected. Remove rejected work from premises, replace with new.
- F) **Overlapping trim.** Where casework overlaps wall finish, equip cabinets with overlapping flange, 2 1/2" wide, formed to 3/8" radius on outside edge contacting wall; inner edge: flanged, form part of cabinet.
- G) **Mastic sealing;** where indicated, form retainer for mastic sealing at back of overlapping trim. Retainer: 18 gage steel, formed, flanged to receive mastic. Apply mastic with caulking gun after cabinet has been set, anchored; trim mastic flush, smooth.
- H) **Plaster key trim:** where indicated, construct with cabinet trim members flanged to form plaster key recess, with return flange perforated for attachment of metal lath or to recess framing. Trim member inner edge:

flanged, form part of cabinet opening. Plaster key trim members: 18 gage steel.

**2. CASEWORK:**

- A) **Unit sides, tops, bottoms:** 18 gage steel, reinforced on outer side where required with 16 gage steel box channels. Front edges in each section: offset to take end panels and 16 gage steel 1" wide flat front channel shaped pilasters at intermediate section. Other edges: left straight, electro-welded to back. Back: 20 gage steel, flanged on all sides for attachment to sides, top, bottom, making solid vermin-proof jacket. Front edges of cases covered by doors or containing drawers: rebated all around to form door and drawer strikes. Bases: 16 gage steel straight or recessed for toe space where indicated. Finished tops: 18 gage steel reinforced on underside where required with 18 gage steel box channels welded thereto; form exposed edges into cornice shape. Finished end panels: 16 gage steel reinforced where required with 16 gage steel box channels. Form front edges of end panels into channel with flat laced pilaster; rear and top edges flanged, channeled or left straight as conditions require. Cases recessed into walls: plaster flanges of 16 gage steel formed into angle shape to furnish bond for plaster or tile. Where case work is indicated to overlap wall finishes, instead of intermembering with same, equip cases with overlapping flange 2" wide formed into 3/8" diameter quarter round to fit against wall; flange inner edge to fit and be secured to case rebate at front; continue flange around two sides and top.
- B) **Backs.** Where any mechanical devices occur in back of base cabinets, backs of same: made removable from cabinet inside, with oval-head bronze screws.
- C) **Coved corners.** Cupboard units (hinged or sliding door cabinets): have all internal corners coved with radius of not less than 3/4" or more than 7/8". Joints: reinforce on back with 16 gage strip leaving smooth flush interior, or made of cove mold formed with offset on each side to take edges of adjoining plates. Joints: acetylene welded, ground smooth.
- D) **Bases.** Closed steel bases under cabinets where indicated: 16 gage steel, made integral with case work above.
- E) **Slope tops.** Where slope tops on units are indicated: 18 gage steel, sloped to 30 degree angle front to back. Key piece member for tile or plaster: incorporated into slope top at its rear edge.
- F) **Counter sub-tops:** counter tops, whether covered with linoleum, wood or soapstone: 16 gage steel with box shaped formation at front edge, turned downward 1 1/2", returned under 3/8". Tops: continuous sheets from front to rear, sectionized in length only at points made necessary for handling, setting. These splice joints: tight fitting butt joints with 14 gage splice plates welded to underside. Tops: reinforced on underside with two stiffeners 1 1/2" by 3/4" high of 14 gage steel, securely welded to steel top underside. Both these angles: continuous entire length of tops. Tops: run continuously over pedestals and knee spaces. No knee space apron, angles or channels other than formation of tops described above, are to be installed in knee spaces or other open spaces in order to retain maximum clearance from top underside to finished floor.
- G) **Shelves in cabinets:** 18 gage steel, flanged downward on sides, rear. Front edge: have double fold 1" wide, return against shelf underside at least 5/16". Shelves wider than 30" in width and 18" in depth: have reinforcement thru shelf center formed with double vertical fold and return flange of 1/2" on each side welded to shelf underside.
- H) **Brackets.** Shelves in cabinets: have 4 point suspension, adjustable in height on 1/2" centers. Upright adjustment: slots punched in case uprights, have continuous cover channel welded to rear of same, or four 18 gage slotted adjustment strips, welded to inside of cabinet uprights. Strips: open at one side. Shelf suspension: removable clips inserted into case slots or adjustment strips. Clips: have sufficient bearing surface to support shelf when loaded.

(The second and concluding portion of this Specification, including the remainder of the section on "Furniture Steel Construction" and a section on "Stainless Steel Construction," will appear next month.)

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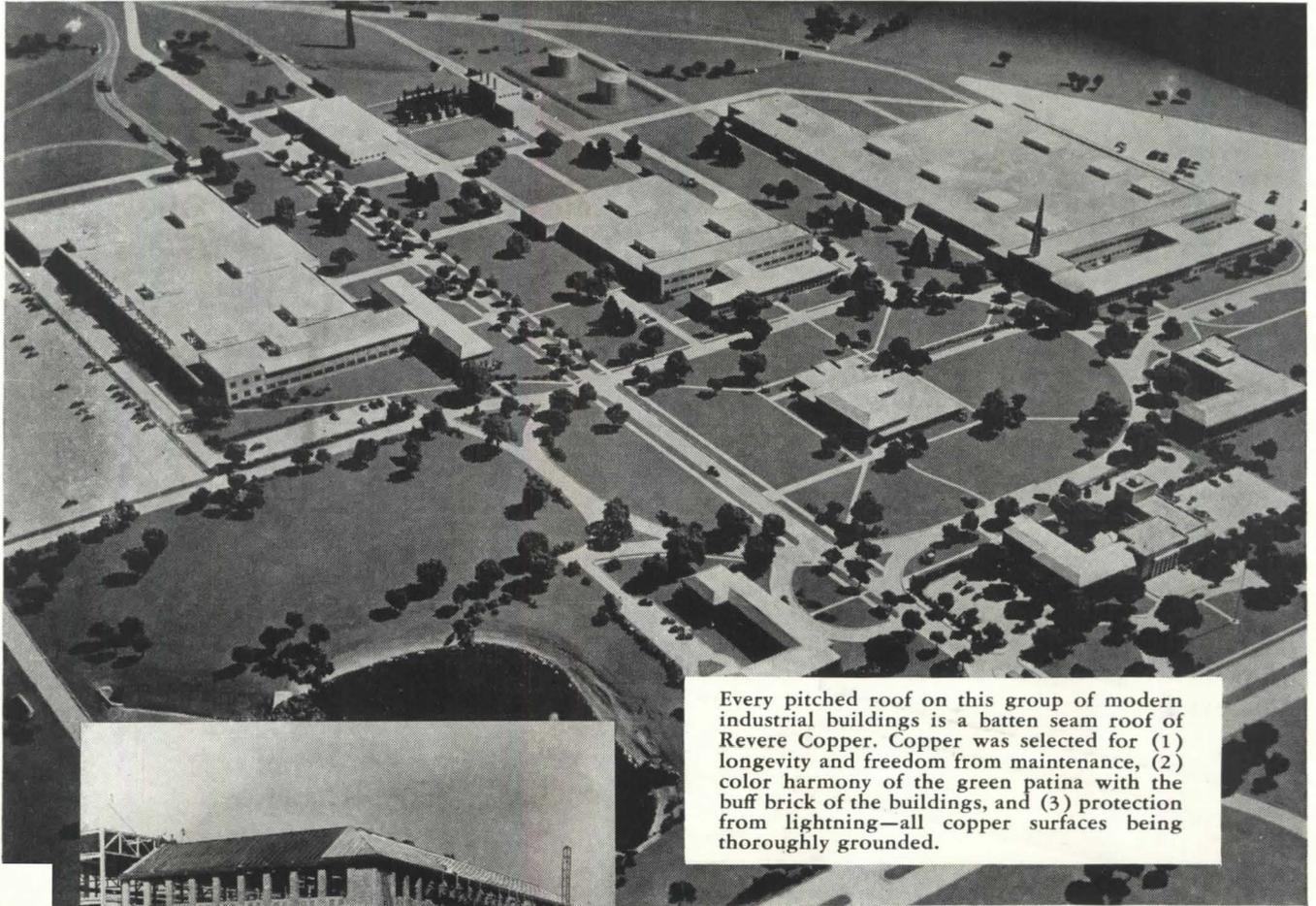
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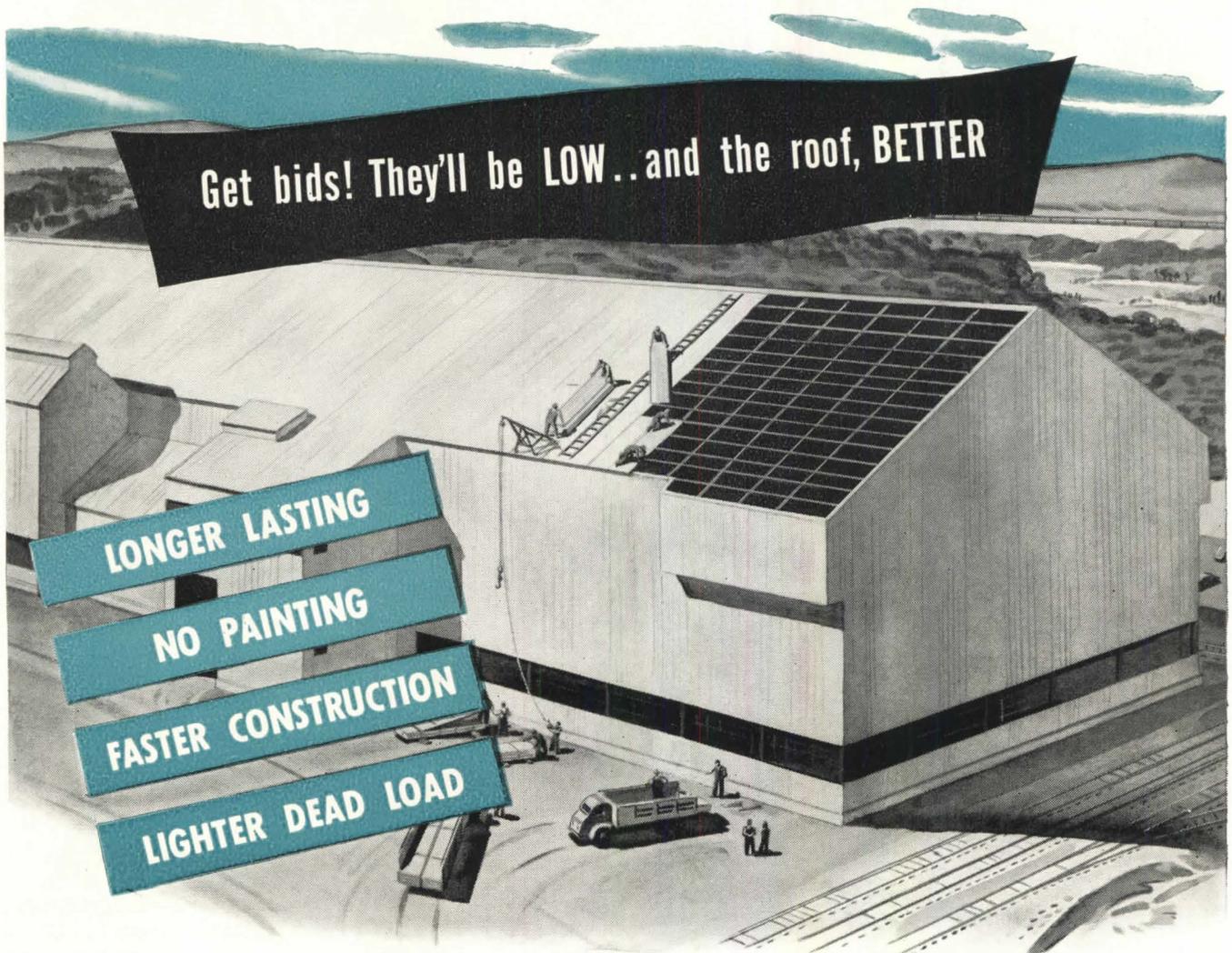
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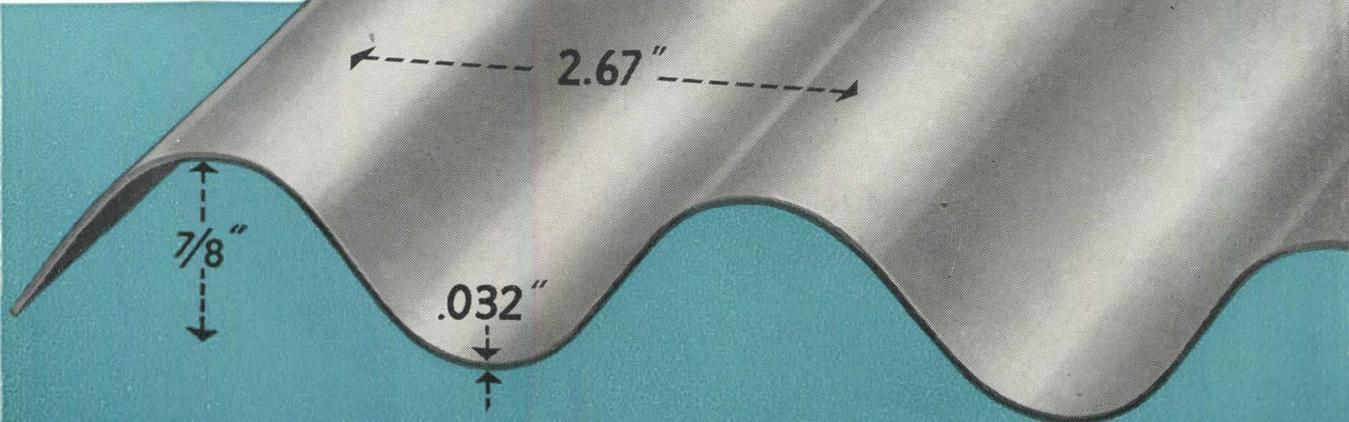
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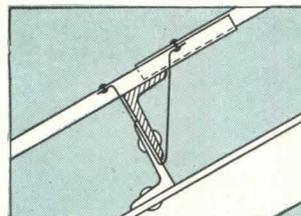
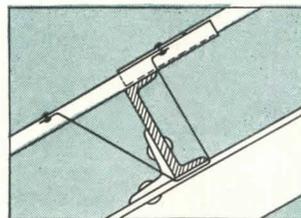
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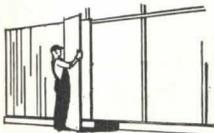
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### MODULAR COORDINATION

**How Shall Modular Coordination be Presented to the Architect?** Grid Lines, August 1947. **An A62 Data Service; What is Module?** Grid Lines, September 1947. *Modular Service Assn., 110 Arlington St., Boston, Mass.*

The Modular Service Association is really getting down to business and is now seeking to put its objectives into practice in the broadest possible way. Their proposed data service promises to demonstrate fully to architects and builders the great advantages of modular products and modular coordination. The sheets will be 8½" x 11", loose-leaf, systematically indexed. They will present standard details in the most usable form.

The Association should especially be commended for its realization that "some confusion may arise from the inexactness of our own terminology. Probably the A62 method is better described as Dimensional Coordination." They are evidently awakening to the fact that century-old modular planning is firmly rooted in architectural thinking, while "modular" (or "dimensional") coordination has yet to make its way into general practice.

**Modular Facing Tile Handbook.** *Facing Tile Institute & Structural Clay Products Institute, 1756 K St., N. W., Washington 6, D. C. 90 pp., 8½" x 11", spiral binder. Free to architects, draftsmen, builders, etc.*

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The new material in this catalog (more than half of its bulk) consists of layout diagrams, plans, and elevations. These are very well presented—better, in fact, than in the *A62 Guide* itself. The printing job (by photo offset) is beautifully done. The entire book is so well made that it is a pleasure to work with.

**Besser Modular Standard Building Units.** *Besser Manufacturing Co., Alpena, Mich. 24 pp., 8½" x 11". \$2.00*

This rather awkward pamphlet is notable chiefly for presenting modular sizes in concrete block by the prime manufacturer of concrete block machinery.

The center spread shows 50 standard block and other pages show many more. This is not the way to economy, which requires close adherence to a few basic shapes.

**Truscon Steel Windows and Industrial Doors.** *Truscon Steel Co., 1315 Albert St., Youngstown, Ohio. 72 pp., 8½" x 11".*

A more complete presentation than former catalogs, of the entire Truscon line. Sizes (like those of other metal window manufacturers) are modular—varying by 4" or 8" increments and with over-all window dimensions such as to detail properly with masonry laid up on the 4" grid. Many well drawn installation details are given, with grid dimensions overprinted in orange.

### HANDBOOKS, MANUALS, PAMPHLETS

**An Evaluation of Methods and Fixtures Used for Bathroom Mirror Lighting.** *Myrtle Fahsbender and Beryle Priest. Paper presented at National Technical Congress of the Illuminating Engineering Society, New Orleans, La., Sept. 1947. To be published in Illuminating Engineering.*

A study of several presently available lighting units and their placement at the bathroom mirror to obtain illumination data which would be representative of nearly all lighting methods for this purpose. Two side brackets, set somewhat lower than the customary height (5'-1" or 5'-2" instead of 5'-6") appear most satisfactory. A ceiling fixture for general illumination should be used regardless.

**Certigrade Handbook of Red Cedar Shingles.** *Bror L. Grondal and W. W. Woodbridge. Red Cedar Shingle Bureau, 5508 White Bldg., Seattle, Washington, 1942. 100 pp., 5" x 8". 50 cents*

All there is to know about red cedar shingles and how to use them. Many interesting facts about the material and its properties in use enliven the text; for example, its durability is not due so much to structure as to the presence of

certain phenols which are highly toxic to wood-attacking fungi. However, like so much advertising literature, the writing is diffuse and repetitive; specific information would be hard to find if it weren't for a good index.

**Fundamentals of Land Design.** *Small Homes Council, University of Illinois Bulletin, Urbana, Ill. 8 pp., illus.*

Another lively pamphlet giving the homeowner good advice on landscaping and site planning. Could be read to advantage by architects for it covers all the factors related to outdoors that should be taken into account (and frequently aren't) in designing small houses.

**Individual Sewage Disposal Systems. Recommendations of Joint Committee on Rural Sanitation. Reprint No. 2461, U. S. Public Health Service, Washington, D. C. 33 pp., 6" x 9". Available free at USPHS District Offices.**

Complete and concise information on sewage disposal from houses, rural public buildings, camps, schools, etc.

**Planning the X-Ray Processing Facilities and Equipment.** *Eastman Kodak Co., 343 State St., Rochester 4, N. Y. 8½" x 11", illus. Free to hospital architects.*

A very thorough report on planning, services, equipment, etc., of the darkroom end of the X-ray department by Eastman's Medical Service Division.

Printed on one side of the paper in double-spaced typing, reproduced full size, the three pamphlets are bulky (and impressive). Eastman has here made available to the architect precisely the background material he needs to work intelligently on any problem involving X-ray processing. Would that more manufacturers would be so effectively helpful!

## BOOKS

### APPLIED ARCHITECTURAL ACOUSTICS

*Michael Rettinger. Chemical Publishing Co., 26 Court St., Brooklyn, N. Y., 1947. 189 pp., illus. \$5.50*

It has been freely predicted that acoustics would fill as large a place in the public consciousness during the next ten years as did various methods of circulating and cooling air, loosely called air conditioning, in the decade prior to the war. A considerable body of literature may be expected to accompany such a rise in public interest. It has already become apparent in periodicals. *Applied*

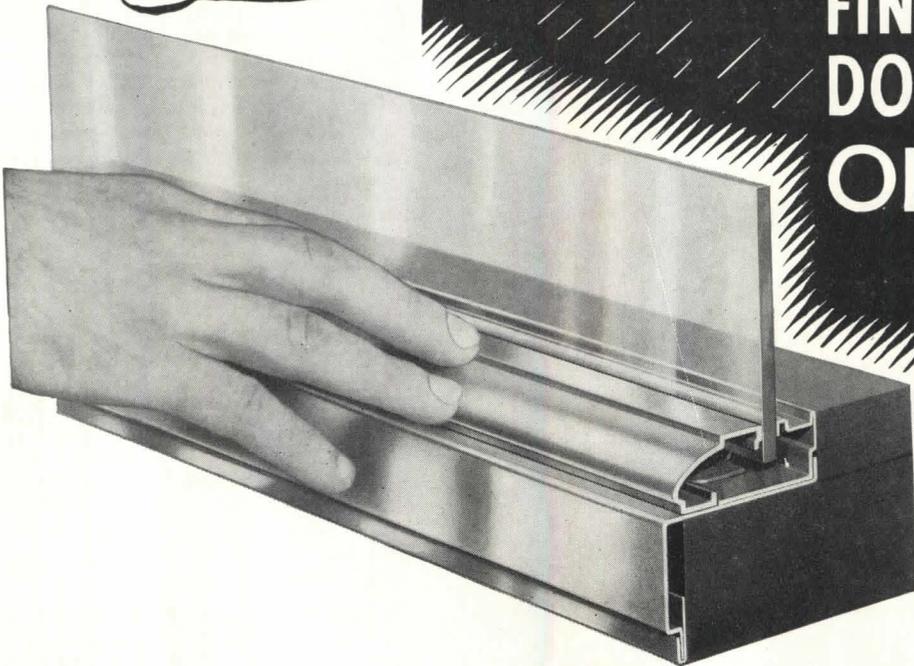
*Architectural Acoustics* may well be a forerunner of a shelf of books on the subject.

*Applied Architectural Acoustics* sets forth first the terminology and basic physical principles of acoustics. There follow sections on geometric acoustics, reverberation, architectural acoustics (principal factors affecting hearing conditions), sound insulation, and acoustic materials. Specific employment of the phenomena and application of the techniques treated up to this point are

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then described with respect to motion picture theaters, scoring stages, reverberation chambers, vocal rooms, sound stages, broadcasting studios, television studios, hospitals, churches, and auditoria. There is a section on acoustic measurements and numerous absorptivity tables for building materials variously mounted.

The body of material presented by Mr. Rettinger in the small compass of this

volume is considerable. The work is especially notable in the degree of particularization with respect to the nature of various types of sound absorbent materials and the manner of their employment. This material, the distillation of much experience in acoustic planning, is as authoritative as it is detailed. Along with the citing of the considerations which enter into the acoustic planning of the types of build-

ings listed are mathematical derivations of the principles employed. Graphs are used profusely to illustrate relationships between variables and to set forth optimal shapes and dimensions. It is probable that Mr. Rettinger has assembled more up-to-the-minute, practical information, useful to the builder, than is to be found elsewhere in such small compass.

Despite the virtues listed, *Applied Architectural Acoustics* falls short in several respects of the promise of the introduction. The book is directed to "architects, engineers, contractors, and all those connected with the planning and the construction of buildings in which acoustics has been given preference." The mathematical derivations and demonstrations which constitute a significant portion of the work will have little value for any of those people except a few engineers with special training or experience in acoustics, and may frighten off some who should use the book.

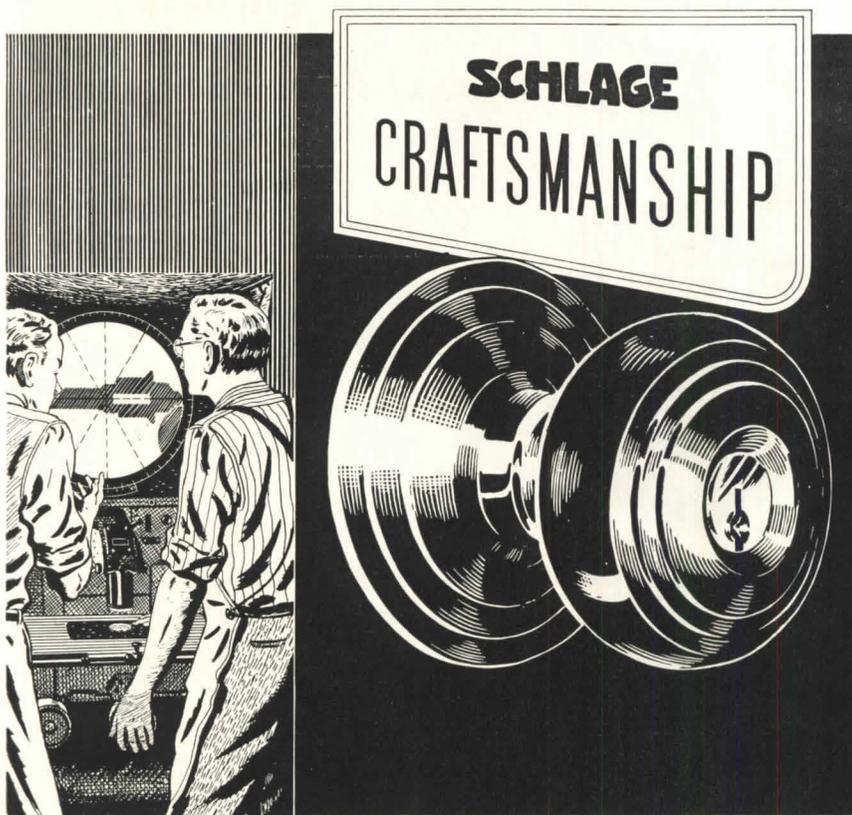
The reader will in many cases need a step-by-step outline of procedure for the acoustic design of the structures cited. The considerations which govern acoustic planning are adduced, but the planner is given little guidance in the order in which he can best undertake the various phases of his problem, the relative importance he must give to discrete portions thereof, and the place or extent of tolerable compromise. Comparatives left hanging in the air, i.e., "larger," "smaller," "too much," "too little," with no reference point or tolerance limits, may baffle the builder who needs to know how much.

This reviewer misses particularly reference to or provision for the changes to be anticipated in technical equipment for the reproduction of sound and the manner of its use in the arts. The introduction of binaural or stereophonic recording will bring about considerable revision in all of the technical processes and practices involved in the making of the sound motion picture. Current changes in recording practice which involve no new equipment may make new demands upon sound stages, scoring stages, or motion picture theaters. The separate control of acoustic conditions on the stage and in the audience area has been demonstrated as desirable in concert and opera. The control of sound becomes more flexible and artistically potent day to day and carries with it changing demands upon structures. Any building that is worth building will outlast most of the current techniques for the presentation of sound, except the traditional mechanical system.

It is to be hoped that when Dr. Knudsen brings out a sequel to his monumental *Architectural Acoustics*, he will take care of some of these problems. In the meantime, Mr. Rettinger's book is up to date on current problems.

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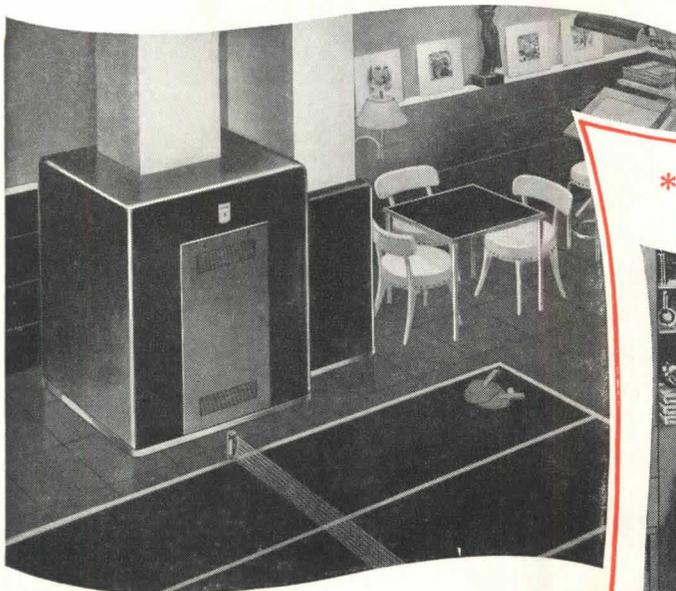
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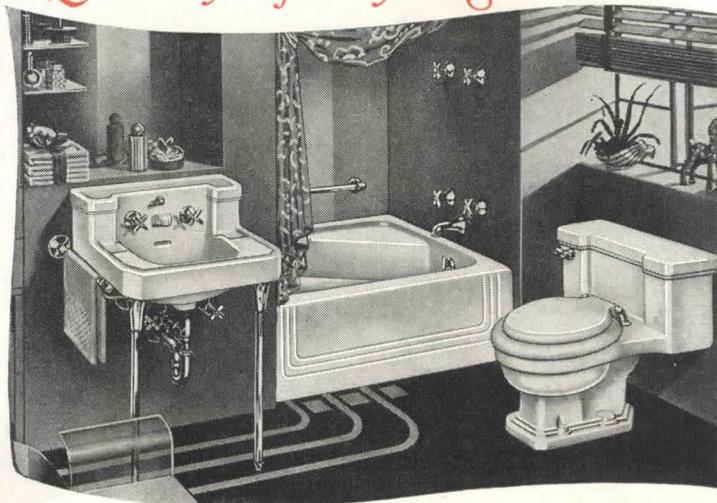
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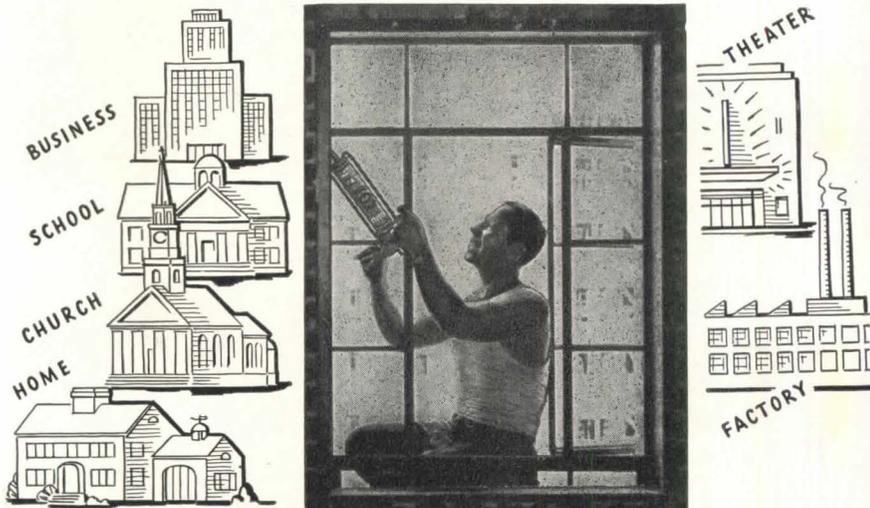
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### LUMBER

Nelson C. Brown. *John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York, N. Y., 1947. 340 pp., illus. \$4.25*

A textbook on the manufacture, conditioning, grading, distribution, and use of lumber in this country with special emphasis on sawmill operation. The

history of the lumber industry is traced, beginning with its center in Maine where it flourished for 200 years before 1850. Then its center shifted to New York, then Pennsylvania (1860), then the Lake States (1870-95); then Southern pine with its peak in 1909 (but still going strong), and the northwestern softwoods which still dominate the industry.



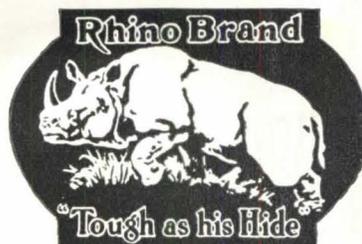
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The book is particularly rich in figures on various phases of lumbering: sizes, percentages of waste due to various causes, variations in practices in hardwood and softwood industries, distribution of costs, etc.

Small mills are on the increase. This book gives so thorough a treatment of the subject that anyone concerned with forest products on a local scale could learn a great deal from it.

J. R.

### PORTRAITS OF WESTERN AMERICA

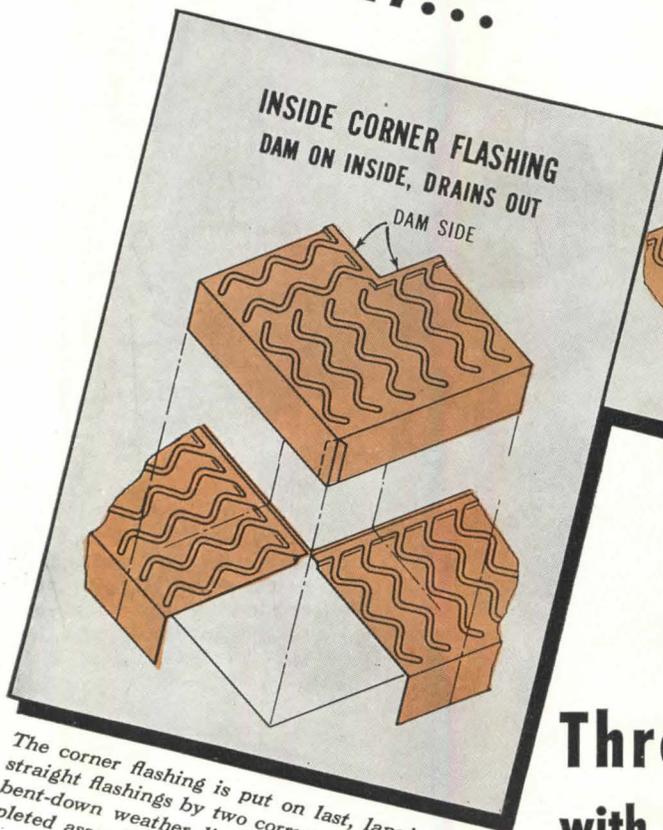
Three recent books from one publishing house provide an interesting close-up view of the face of America as it appears in the West. No one of these books lays any emphasis on architecture, though the architecturally alert will find considerably more to read in the books than the merely travel-minded. For, any book picturing a place or a region inevitably contains numerous photographs of buildings; just as inevitably, the buildings reveal the ambitions, desperations, pretensions, or sincerities of the individuals or groups who sponsored them.

*Ghost Towns of Colorado. Compiled by Workers of the Writers' Program of the Work Projects Administration in the State of Colorado. American Guide Series. Hastings House, 67 W. 44th St., New York 18, N. Y., 1947. 116 pp., illus. \$2.75*

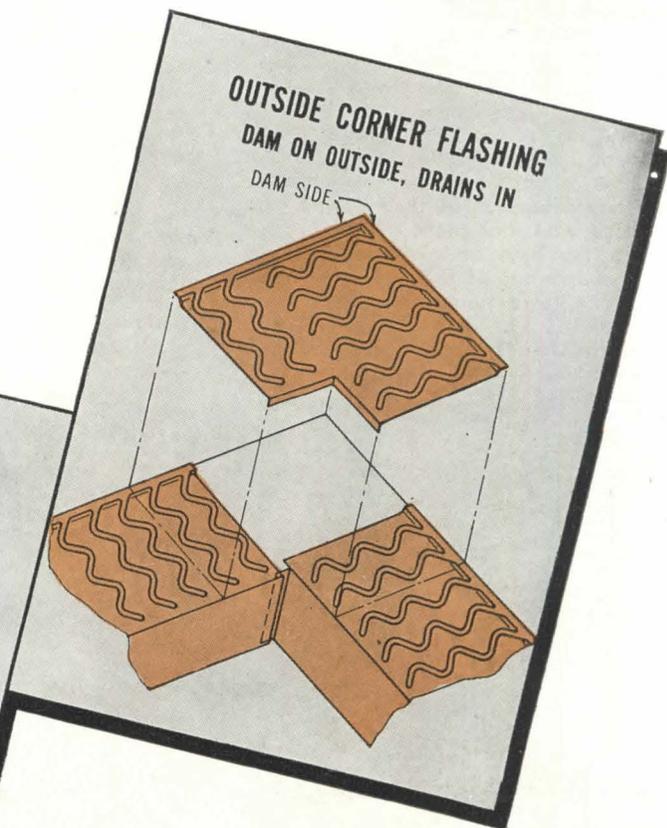
The trials of the early, money-hungry prospectors; the rocketing fortunes, first from gold, then silver, then gold again, that came out of the valleys, creeks, and pastures of Colorado; the exploits and extravagances of the Bonanza and Carbonate Kings; the frenzied growth of towns in the wake of new discoveries, and the collapse and frustration of many of these, are told in a lively, running narrative. Photographs and a revealing selection of old drawings show the environment in which this bold life erupted. With few exceptions (Central City is the most notable) the towns had a lean and hungry look,

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quite apart from the fact that so many of them are today simply the decaying remains of once booming communities. One suspects that in their towns, the builders and designers (if any) reflected the lean and hungry light in the eye of many of the citizenry of the day. The town names have the same rude quality: Leadville, Cripple Creek, Buckskin Joe, Delaware Flats, Tellu-

ride, Ouray, Silverton, Placerville, Chicago Creek, Russell Gulch, etc.

**Salt Lake City. A Pictorial Study** by Joseph Muench. Hastings House, 67 W. 44th St., New York 18, N. Y., 1947. 58 pp., illus. \$1.50

A city that grew out of a desert, a city newly founded by a group of people

seeking freedom from religious persecution, appears architecturally to be about what you might expect. There are noble things about it that reflect the determination and faith of the pioneers—132-foot-wide streets, splendid vistas. Then, typical of any new, fast-growing U. S. community, there is the crazy-quilt pattern of every architectural style known to man from General Grant Gothic to the columns and dome of the State Capitol's Federal architecture, to a church "reminiscent of a New England Meeting House."

Most difficult of all to assay architecturally is the strange flowering that occurred under the auspices of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. In the main Temple in Salt Lake City itself, as well as in three other Temples shown in the book, one sees a firm resolve to create something new as a proper house for the faith. Yet, in spite of a certain sureness and confidence in the design, the many-tiered side walls, the odd (no doubt symbolic) detailing, and the ordering of the spires strike this reviewer as rather ponderous overtones echoing architectural cultures of other places and times—sometimes vaguely Saracenic, sometimes Dresden Baroque or Medieval Spanish. From the designer's point of view, then, Salt Lake City appears to be a handsome modern city with wide boulevards, set on a broad plain at the foot of the Wasatch Mountains, just above the great inland sea; a proud city and an amazing one, considering its desert origin. Beyond that, it has the typical American architectural gumbo flavor, with unique Mormon seasoning.

**West Coast Portrait.** Edited by Joyce R. Muench. Hastings House, 67 W. 44th St., New York 18, N. Y., 1946. 168 pp., illus. \$5.00

Here, 250 illustrations in photography, lithography, wood engraving, and etching, present a panoramic impression of the glories of the West Coast. This rich material is freshly organized on the bases of "impressions of the shoreline"; "cities and towns"; "valleys and foothills"; "architecture of bygone days"; "the lure of the desert"; "in the mountains"; and "glimpses of the Northland." For the most part, of course, these constitute simply a stunning series of illustrations of the natural beauty of the region. In the "Cities and Towns" section and in the one called "Architecture of Bygone Days," however, the designer is given a broad cross-sectional view of the environment that man has built for himself. Mountaintop and aerial views show the clean, burgeoning quality of the major West Coast cities; the individual buildings selected for highlighting reflect the eclecticism of the architectural work that occurs here as elsewhere in America. The familiar things are included: the University of California at Los Angeles; the Berkeley campus; the elegant pomposities of San Francisco's famous Civic Center; the



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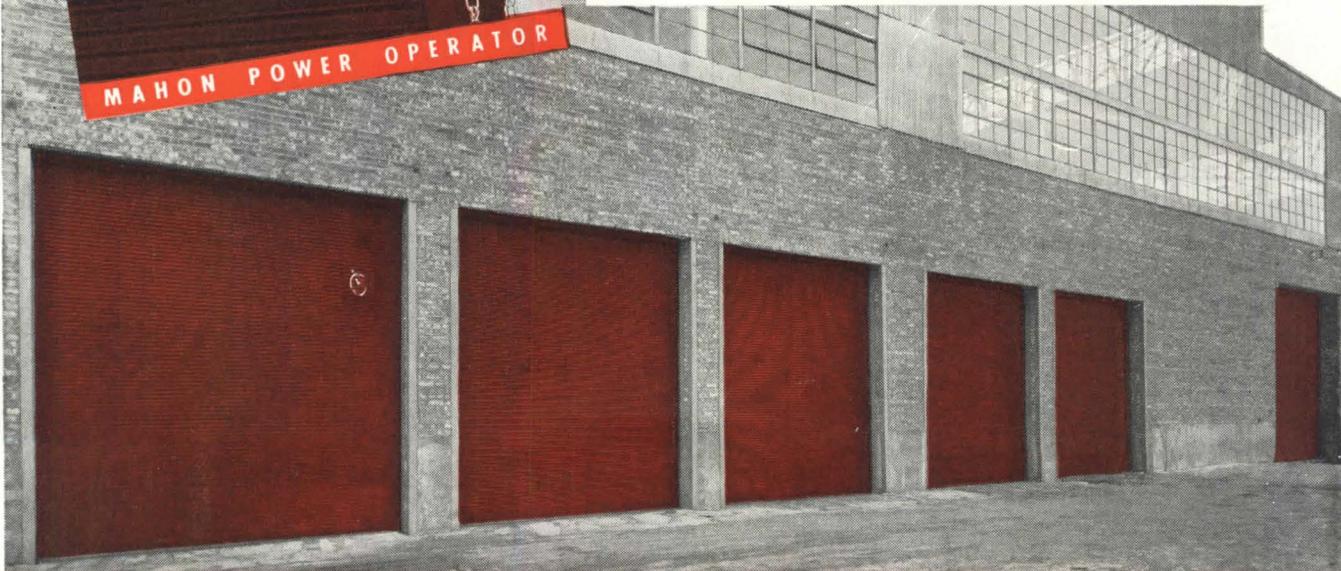
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incredible Spanish concoction of Santa Barbara's County Courthouse; the rather dour smokestack-like Coit Memorial Tower at the top of Telegraph Hill in San Francisco; and a few examples of more contemporary work. But it is rather surprising that there is so little of the really vital architecture of today which has prospered in the West as in no other quarter of the U. S. Among the older buildings are the simple sincerities of the familiar Missions, the unpretentiousness of an old Gold Country town, some of the excellent contemporary (of its time) work around Monterey, and a surprisingly Colonial New England house that was built in Oregon in 1846. While the arbitrary division of the book has something to recommend it, allowing one to concentrate on a single facet of the West Coast at a time, the captioning could well mislead the uninformed. Where is "Happy Valley—Santa Ynez," for instance—California, Oregon, or Washington? Or Eureka? If one is not a native son, these things are not apparent, and one can never be quite

sure whether there are palm trees all up and down the West Coast, covered bridges only in Oregon, or just how it works. This is a minor fault, however; it's a beautiful book, and the use of etchings and wood engravings and lithographs adds not a little to the more usual photographic approach to such a subject.

G. A. S.

### CHURCHES OF OLD NEW ENGLAND

*Their Architecture and Their Architects, Their Pastors and Their People.* George Francis Marlowe. Photographs by Samuel Chamberlain. The Macmillan Co., 60 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y., 1947. 220 pp. \$3.75

This is a book of antiquarian lore. Any chapter to which one may open will hold the reader's interest with its anecdotes of Puritan frailty, village eccentrics, and energetic parsons. Mr. Marlowe has steeped himself in old parish records and relates choice bits with wit and humor.

However, after reading several such chapters one longs for a connecting thread, references back and forth, an orderly treatment of the material. Of the many pages on a given parish, the

majority deal at considerable length with episodes connected with buildings antedating the existing edifice, which is treated somewhat summarily with praise for its charm and enthusiasms for its proportions. One becomes surfeited with anecdotes. The book cannot be used easily for reference, nor is it a history of meeting house architecture. There are no plans, no measured drawings. The subtitle gives an accurate description of this miscellany.

Evidently the author has written these chapters as independent articles, which unfortunately do not make a readable book. The material could have been grouped chronologically, or under headings such as "Finance," "Methods of Construction," "17th Century Meeting Houses," "Early 18th Century Types," "Church of England Edifices." The present arrangement can only serve as a chatty guidebook for the layman's summer tour of New England churches.

Mr. Chamberlain's photographs have suffered in reproduction; they are gray and lack sharpness and contrast. There is a startling lack of detail. They have been taken with an eye to romantic charm and not as documents. They have been badly cropped; too much foreground in some, tips of spires cut

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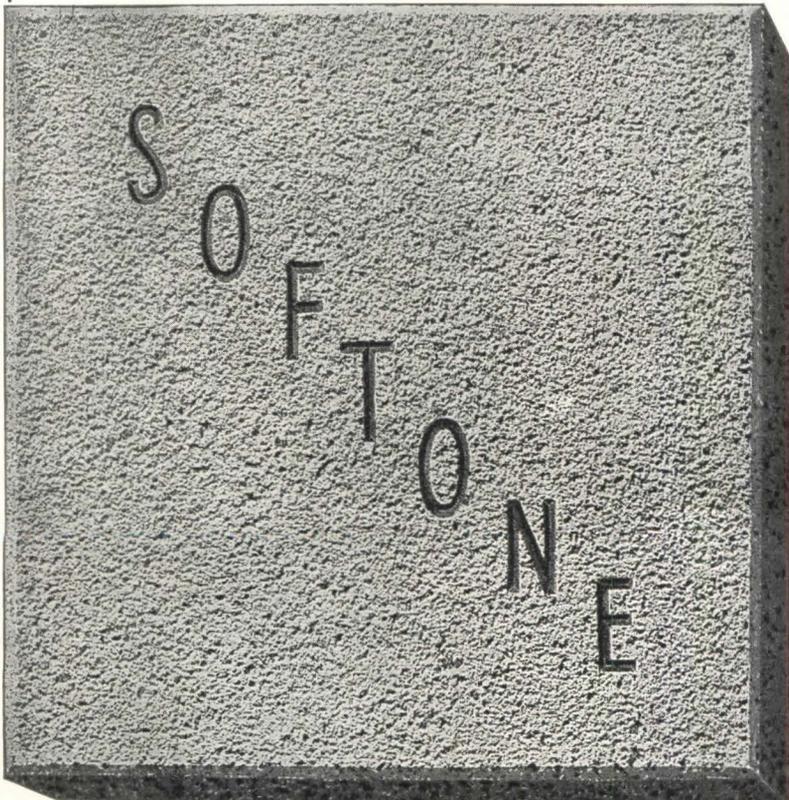
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## REVIEWS

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off in others. Admitting that it is not always possible to get clear unobstructed views, in many cases there seems to be an indifference to the architectural material which has been sacrificed for the sake of a pictorial composition. In too many instances a tree, an adjoining building, or the foreground or even the background is more striking than the ostensible subject of the photograph.

One feels that neither Mr. Marlowe nor Mr. Chamberlain has put his best foot forward in this book.

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### AIR CONDITIONING

*Herbert and Harold Herkimer. Chemical Publishing Co., Inc., 26 Court St., Brooklyn, N. Y., 1947. 692 pp., 6" x 9", illus., index. \$12.00*

A good fat book, well stuffed with material collected by the senior author during his 35 years' experience in the air conditioning industry and with technical tables from the *ASHVE Guide*. It seems to cover the ground pretty thoroughly, in easily readable form. After all, it is a big book.

J. R.

### HEAT PUMPS

*Philip Sporn, E. R. Ambrose, Theodore Baumeister. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York, N. Y., 1947. 188 pp., 5½" x 9", illus., charts, index. \$3.75*

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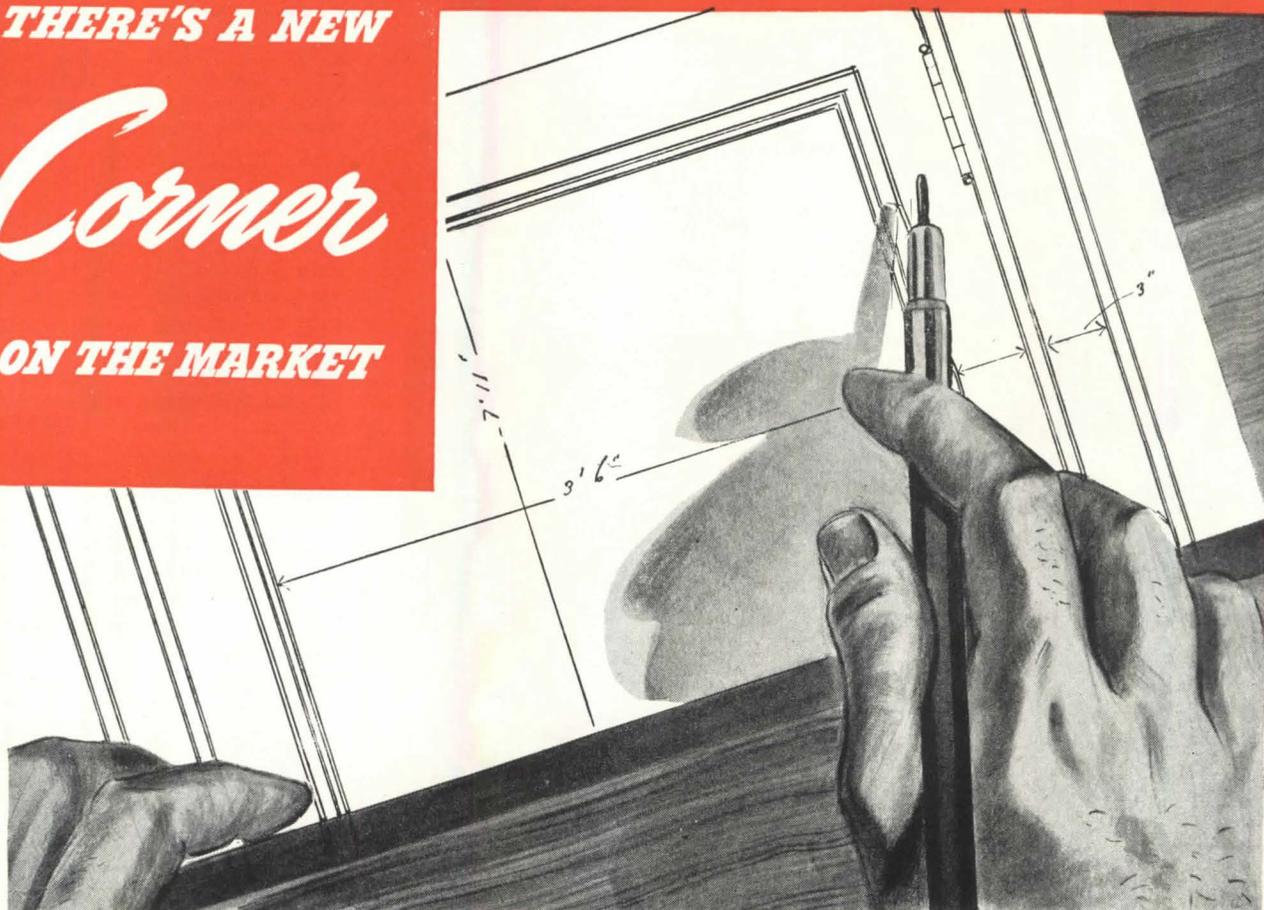
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DAVID WILLIAM CECIL has opened an office at Spartanburg, S. C.

FRANK MONTANA and SUREN PILAFIAN have announced the consolidation of their practices in offices at 112 Madison Ave., Detroit 26, Mich.

ELIOT NOYES has opened an industrial design office at 438 E. 88th St., New York, N. Y., where he and MARCEL BREUER, architect, will act as consultants for each other in their fields.

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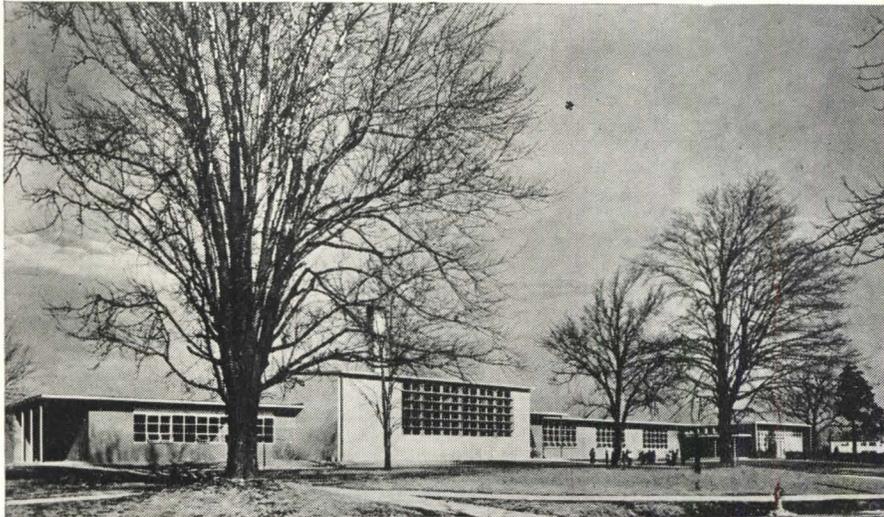
FRANCIS J. HEUSEL & EDWARD H. FICKETT, 5678 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif.

### COMPETITIONS

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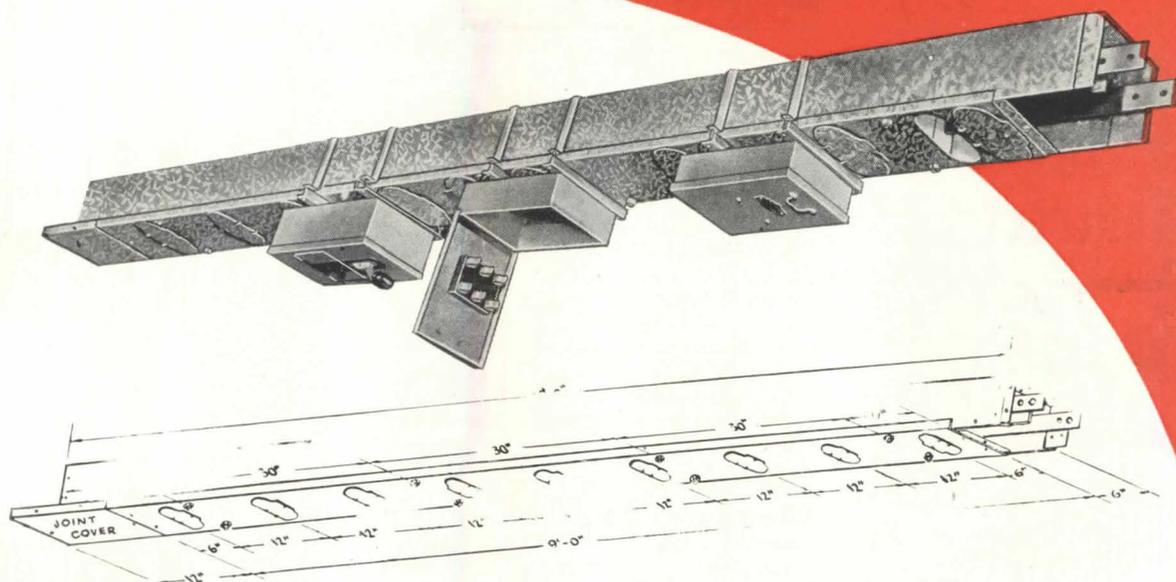
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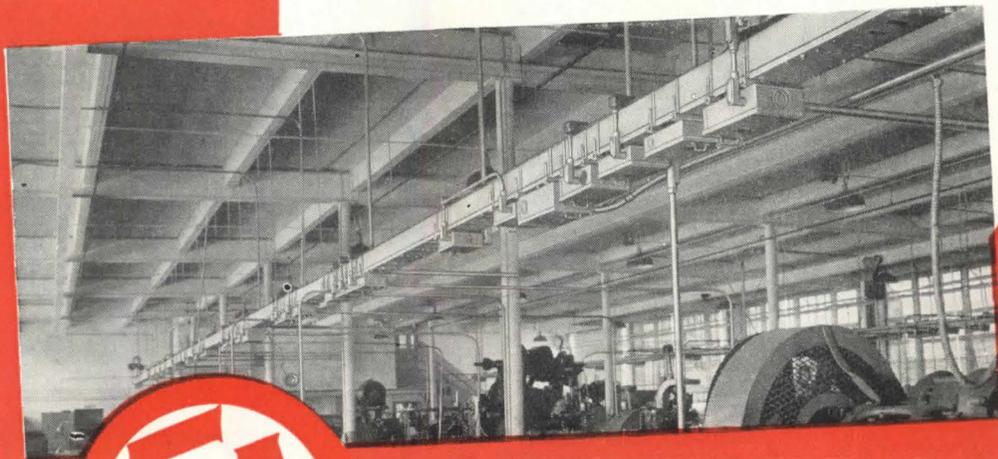
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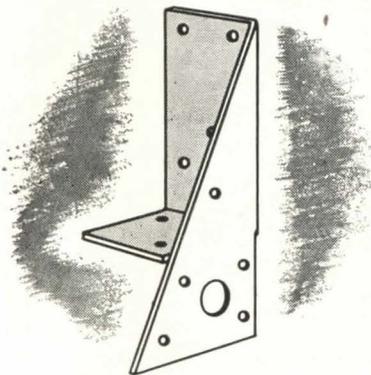


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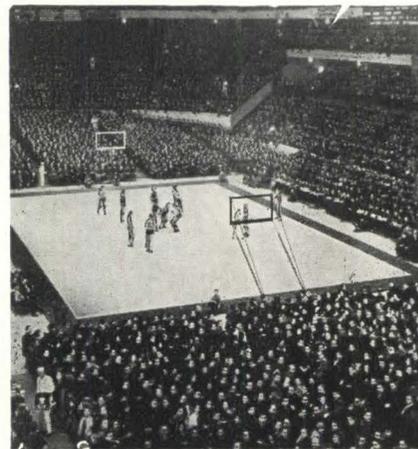
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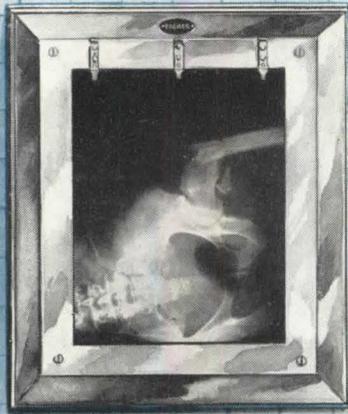


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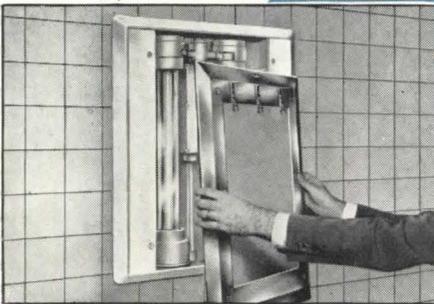
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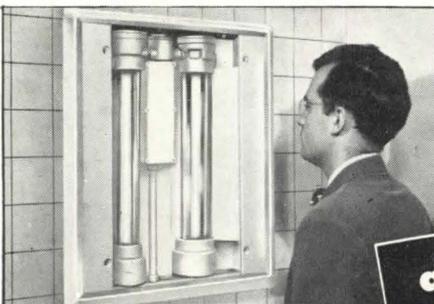
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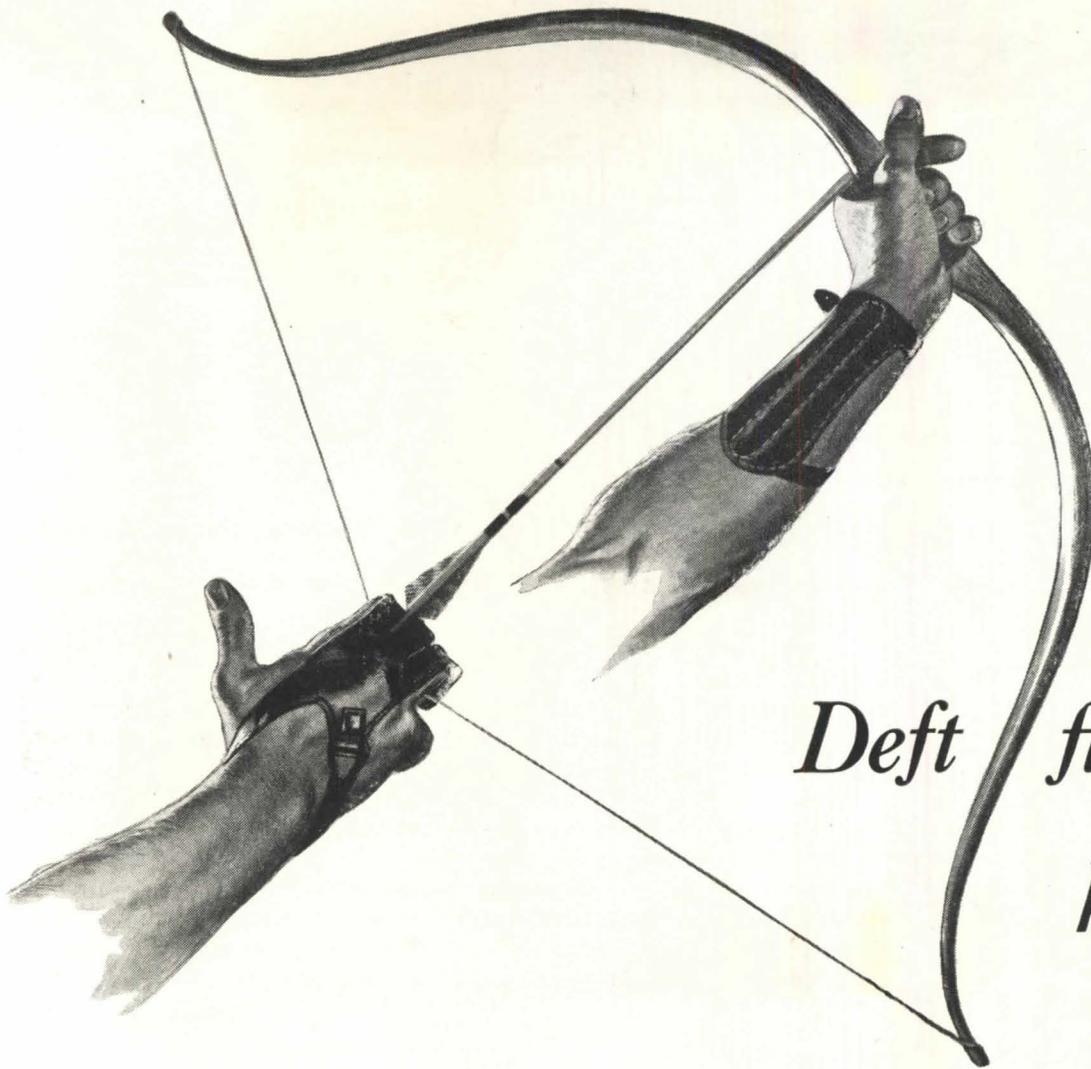
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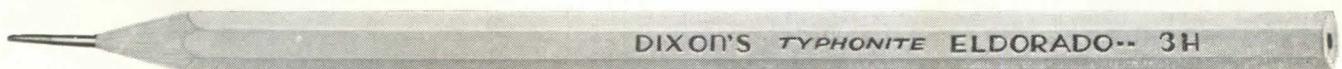


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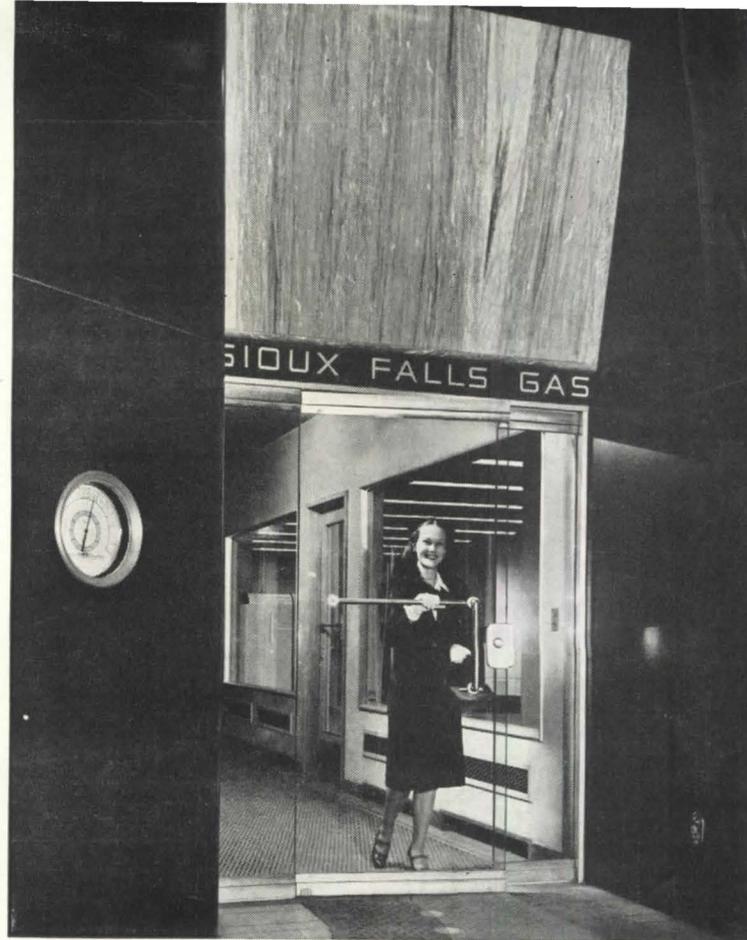
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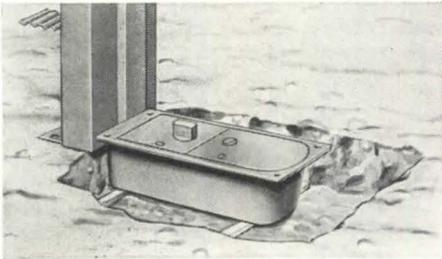


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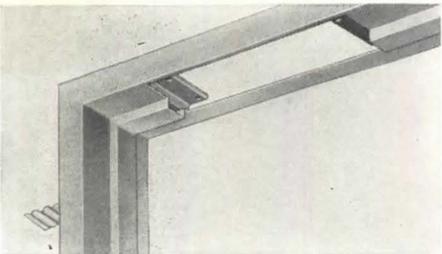
### Why the installed cost is less

While the price of the overhead concealed closer itself is about the same as that of the floor type, the cost of installing the floor closer is a good deal more.

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Floor type closer set for grouting



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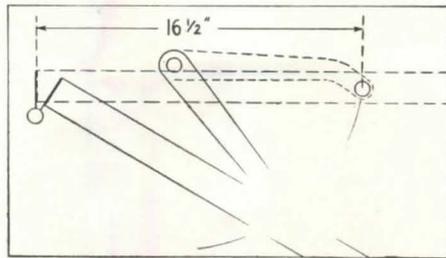
rough floor is in. Beams and conduits often make locating the closer difficult.

If a threshold is used it must be of the box type or one specially cut and drilled to take the closer, both expensive.

Contrast all this with securing an overhead closer and arm into openings blanked out of a metal frame and door at the factory, or easily cut into a wood head frame and door. With job costs what they are today the architect must consider these points.

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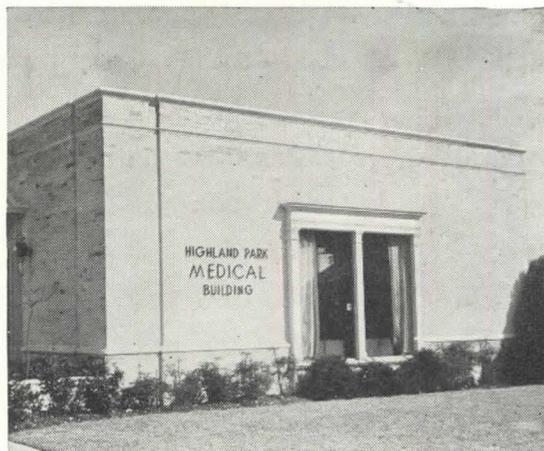
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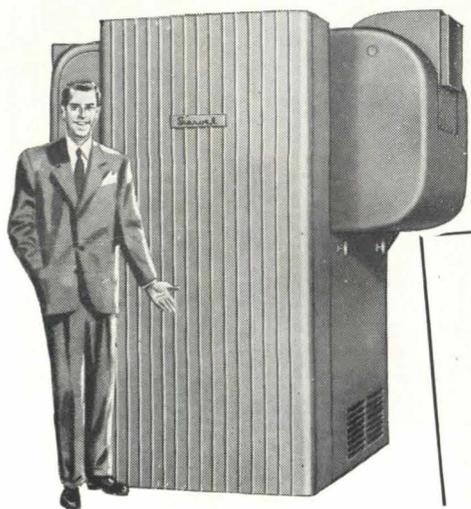


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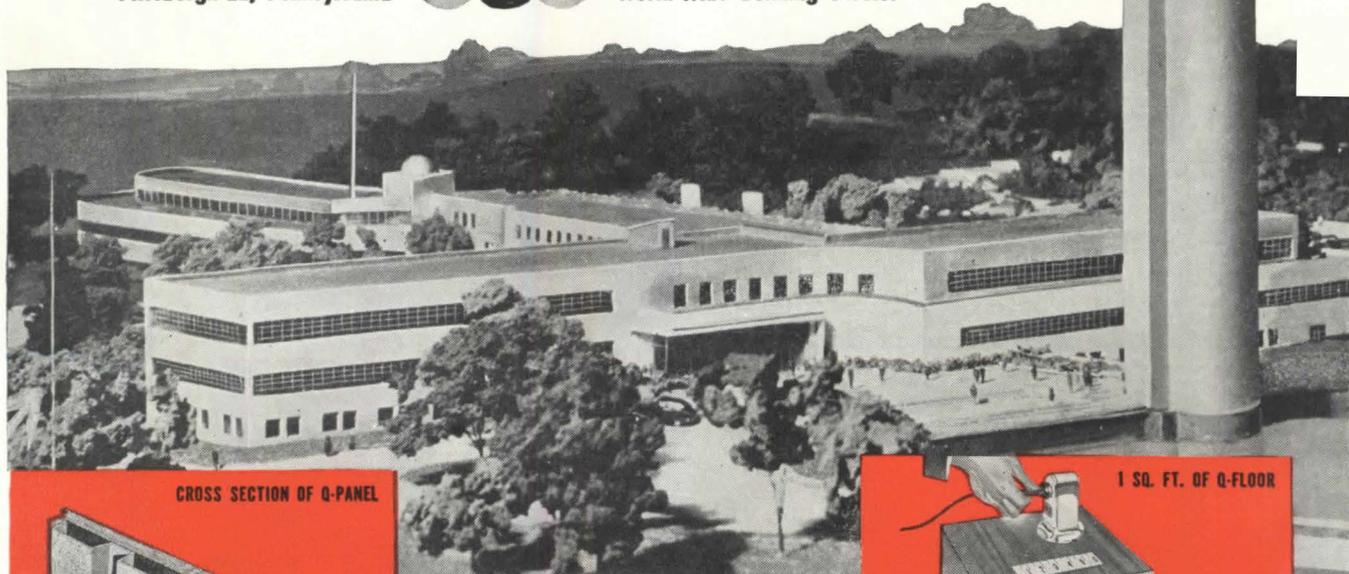
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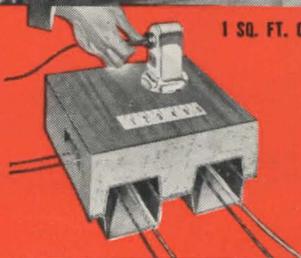
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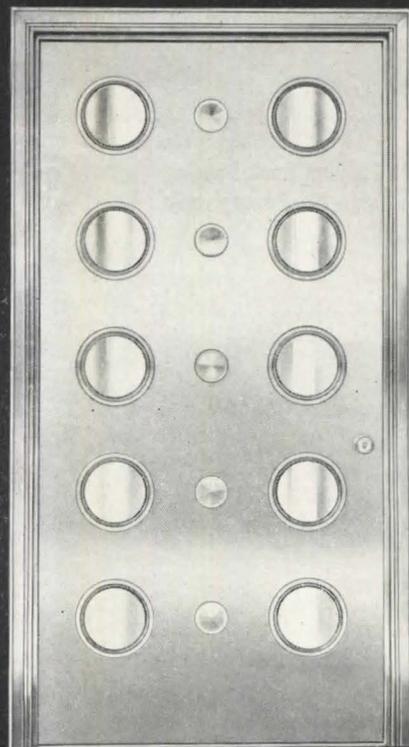


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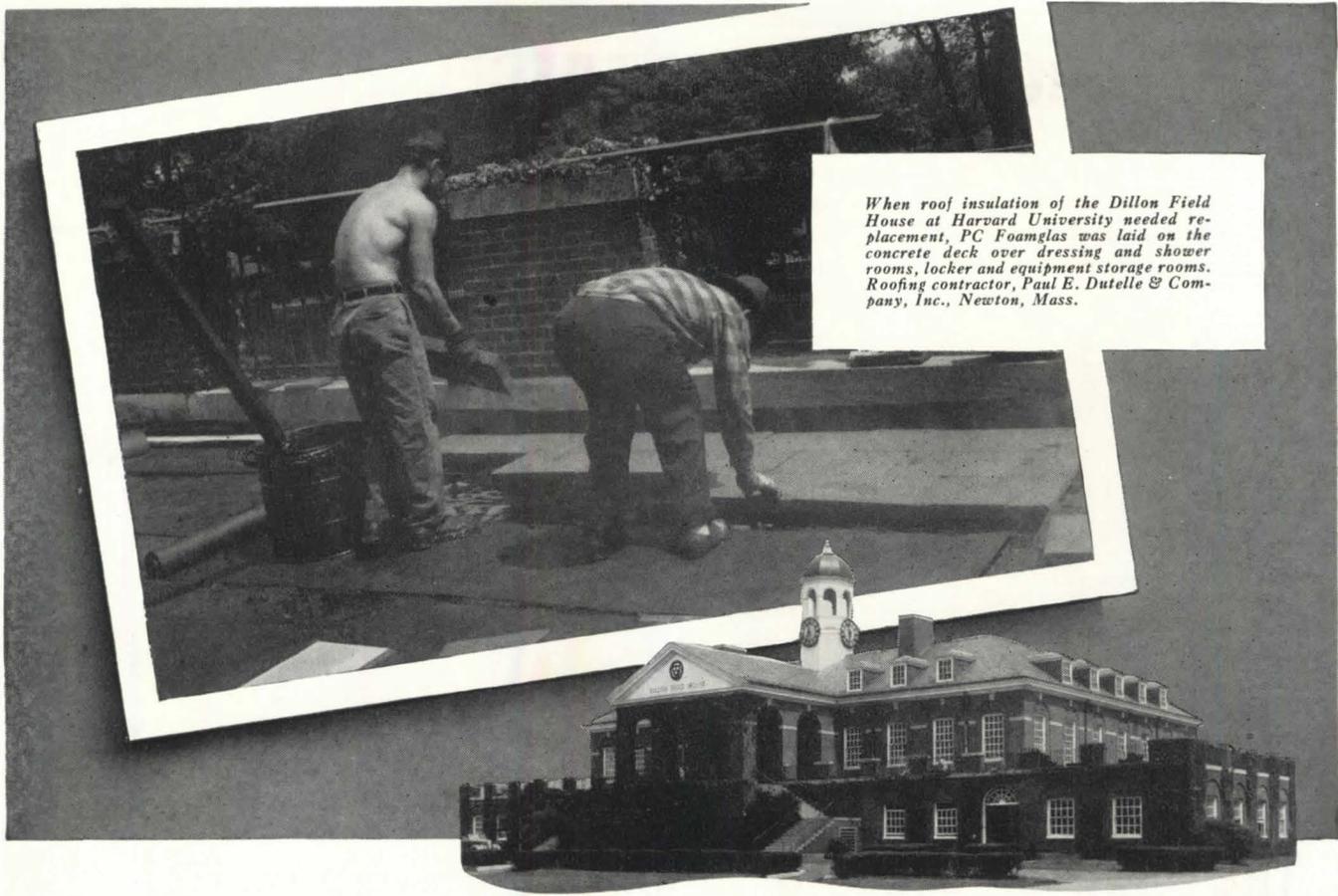
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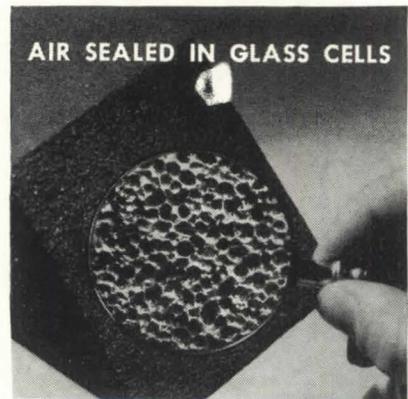
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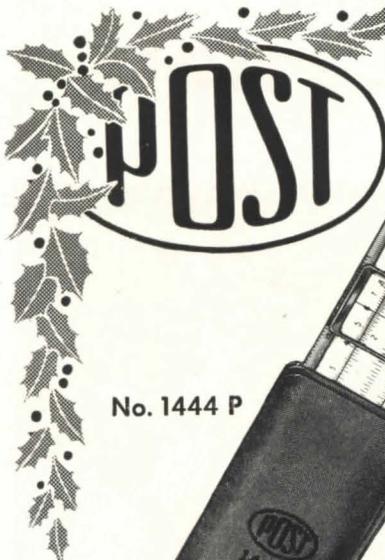
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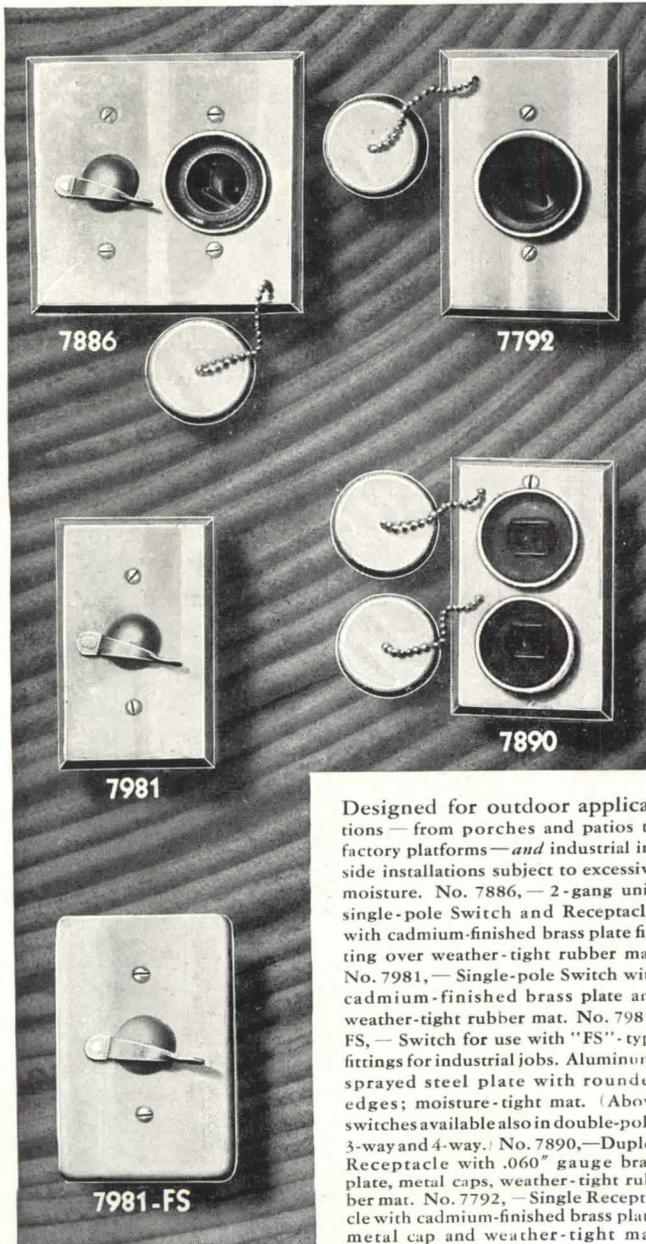
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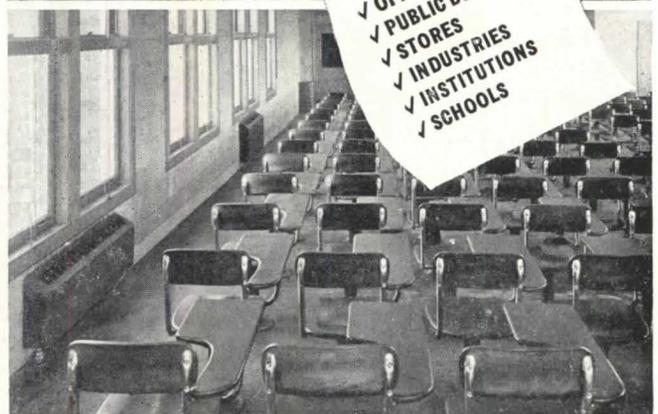


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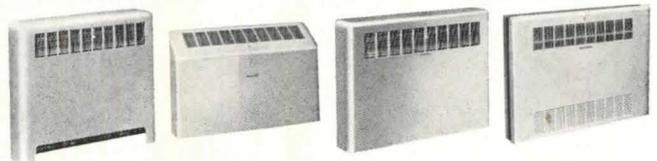
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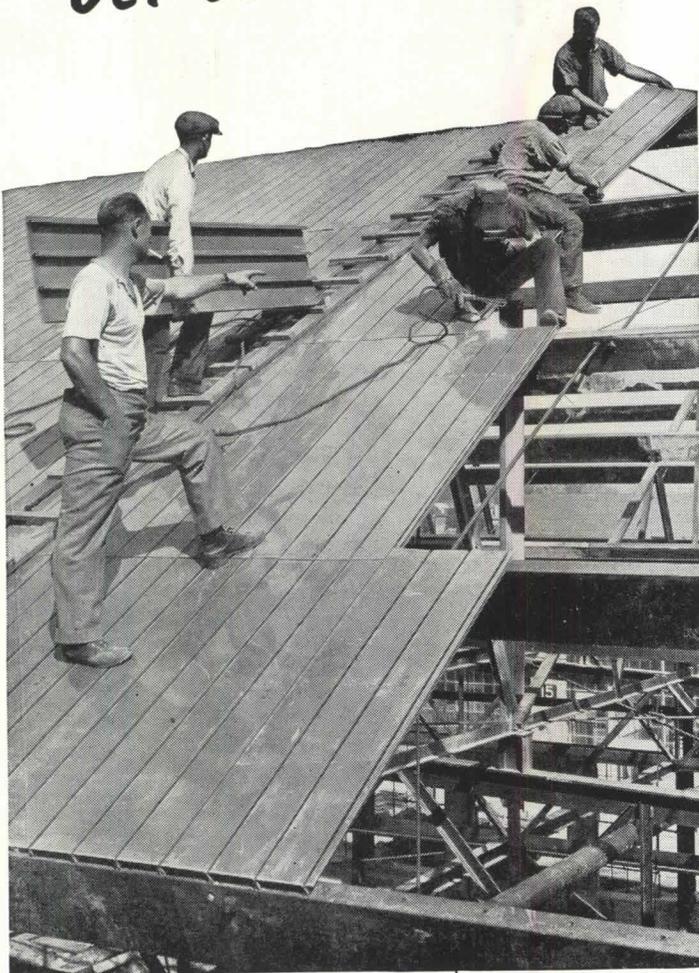
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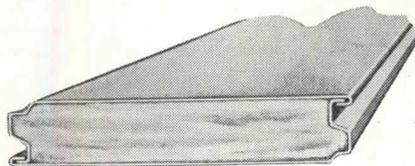
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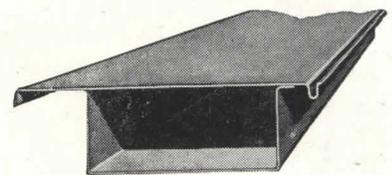
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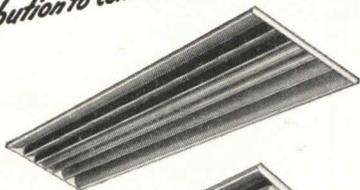


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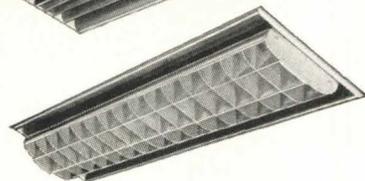
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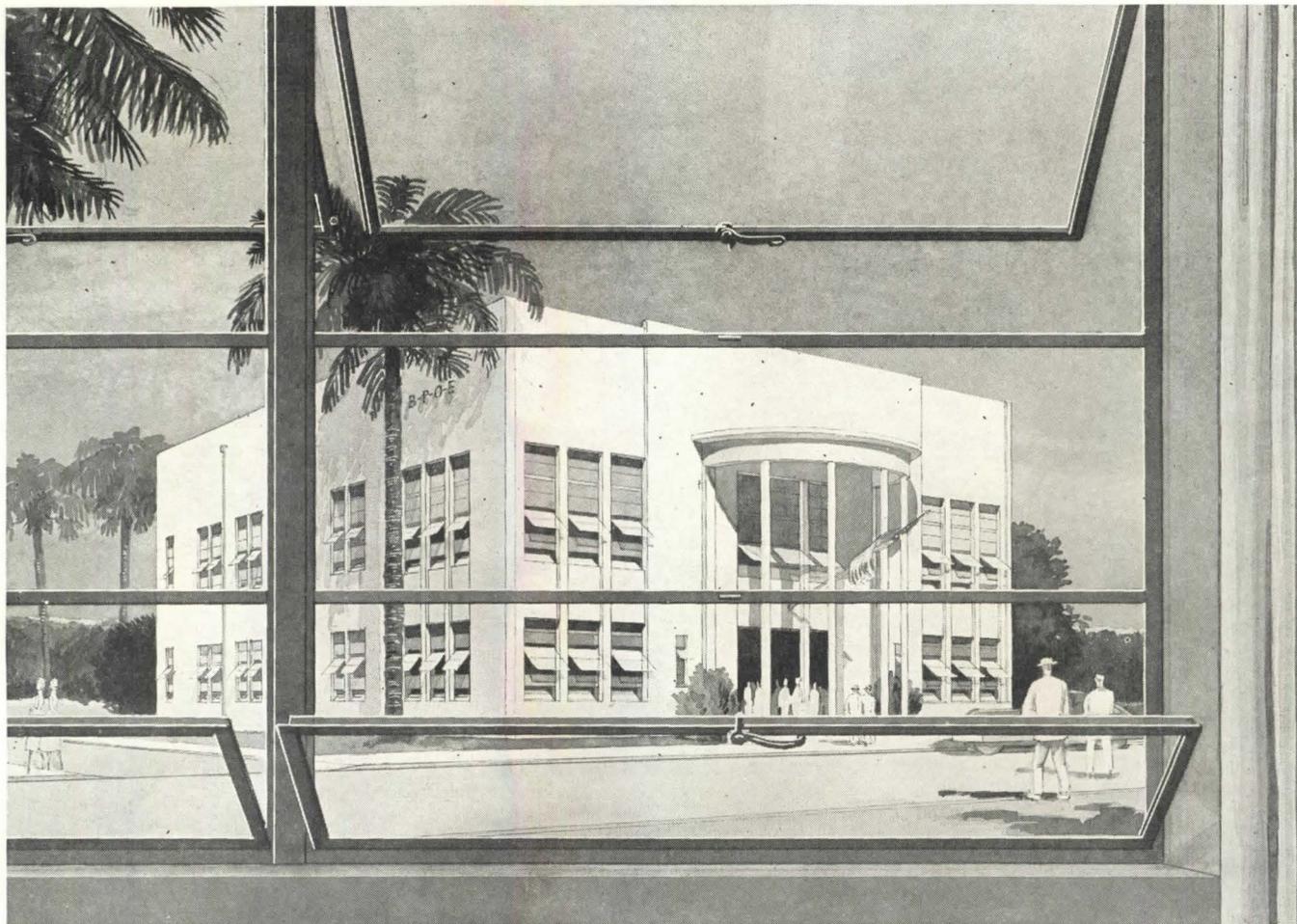
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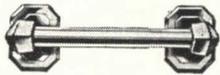
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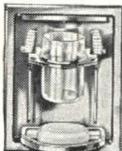
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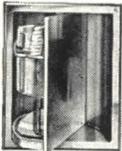
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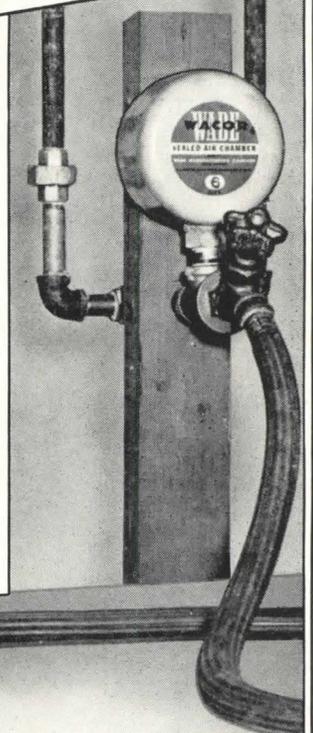
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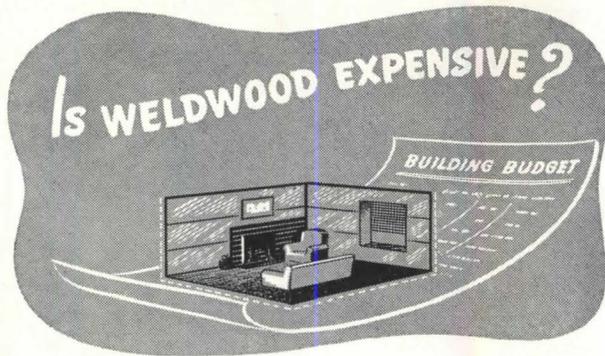


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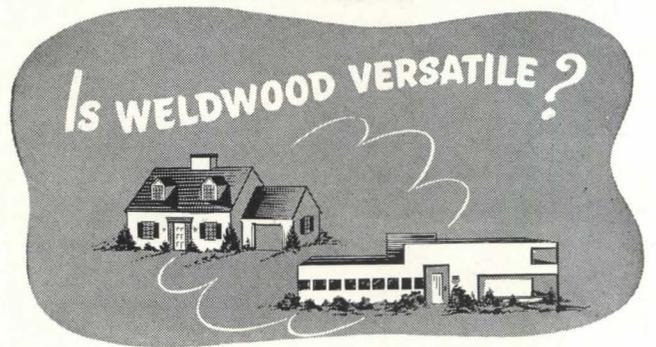
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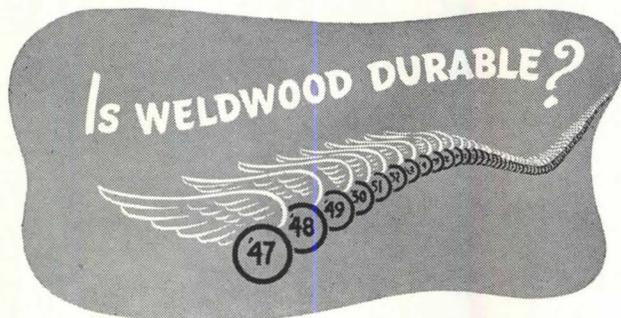
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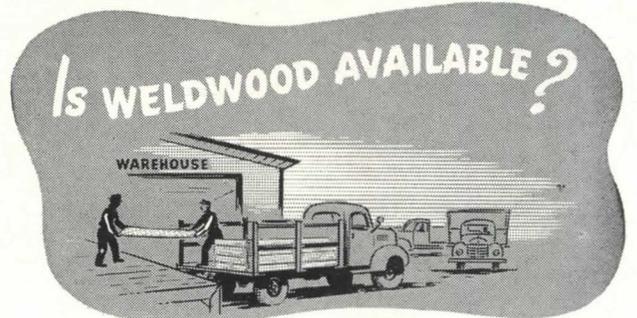


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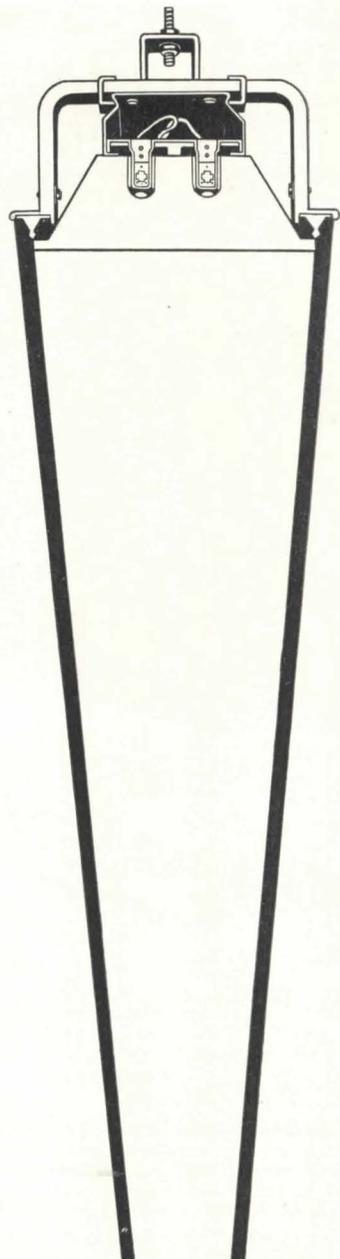
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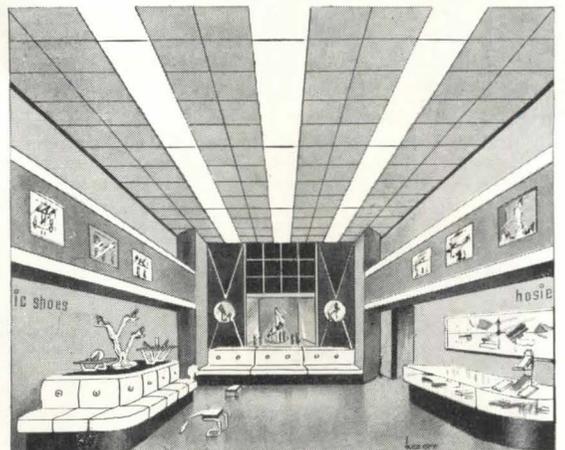
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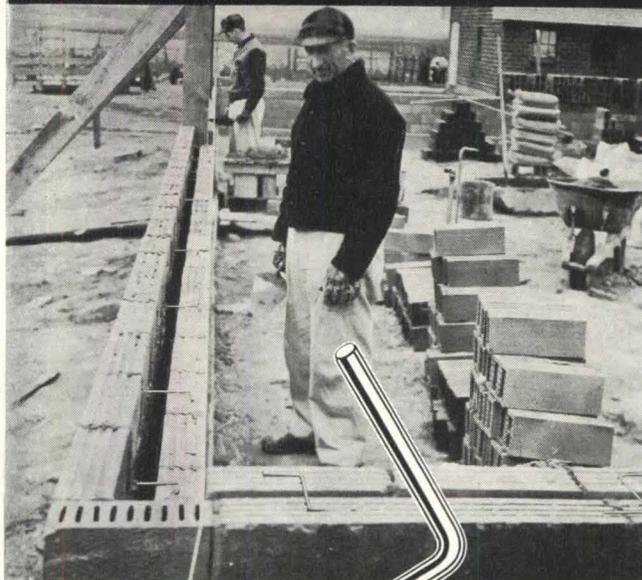
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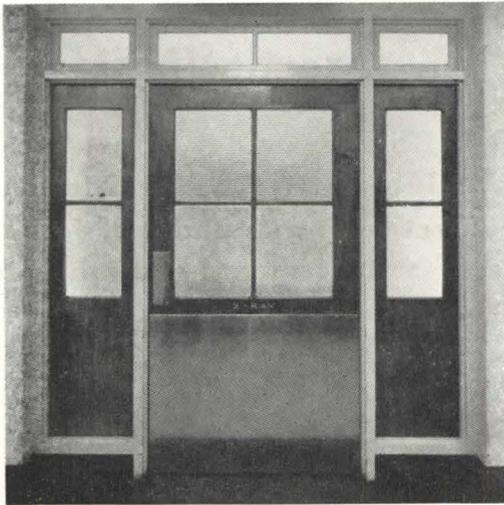
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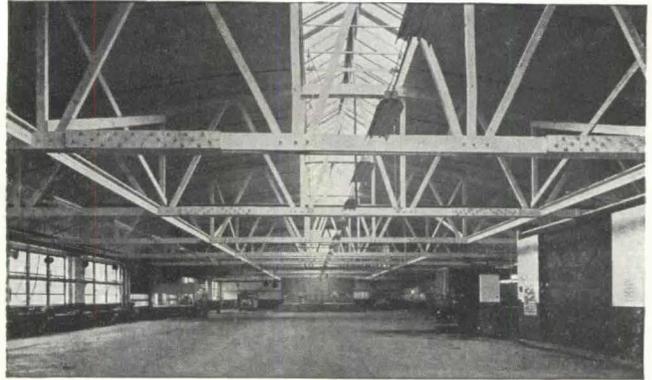
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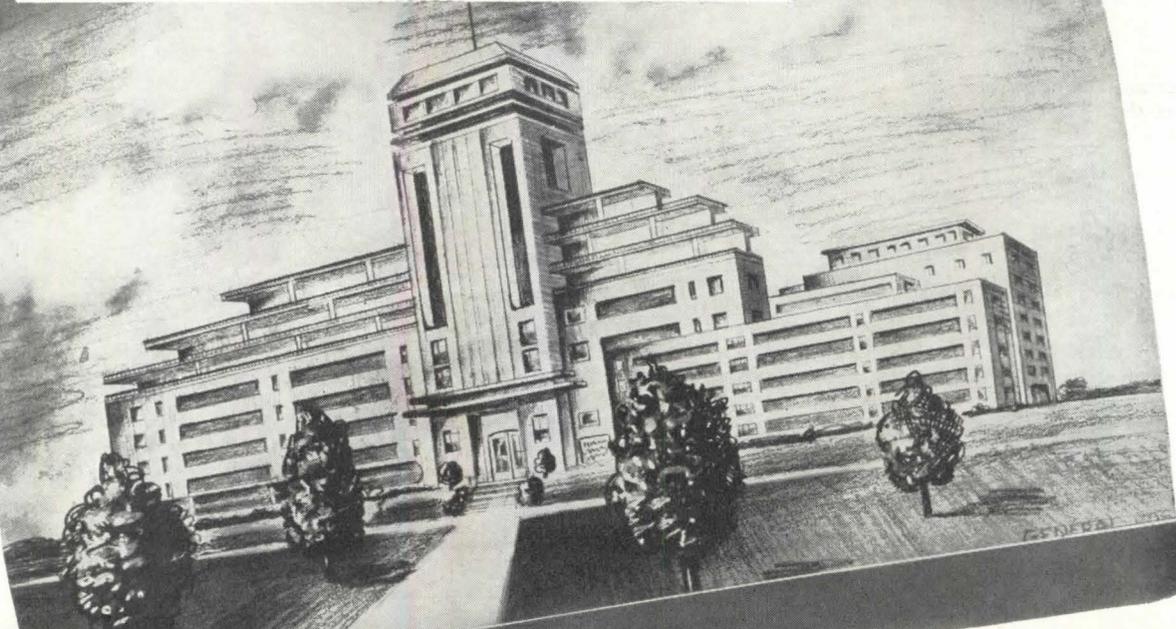
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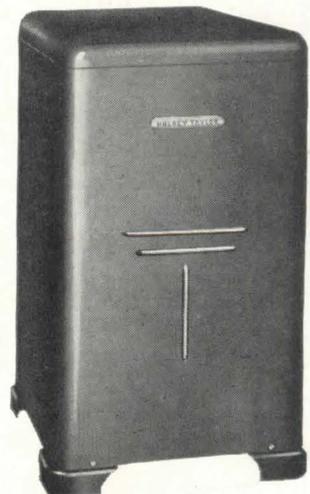
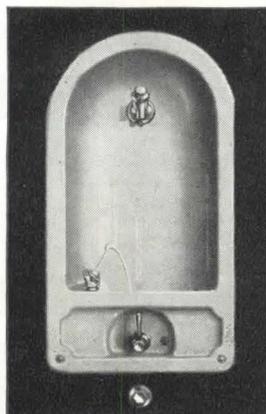
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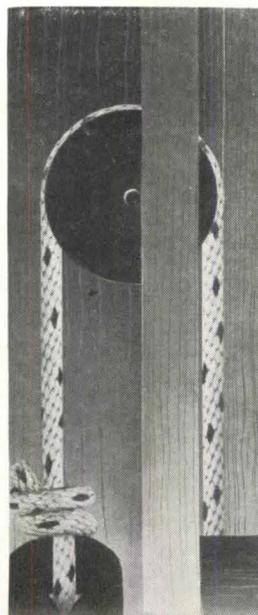
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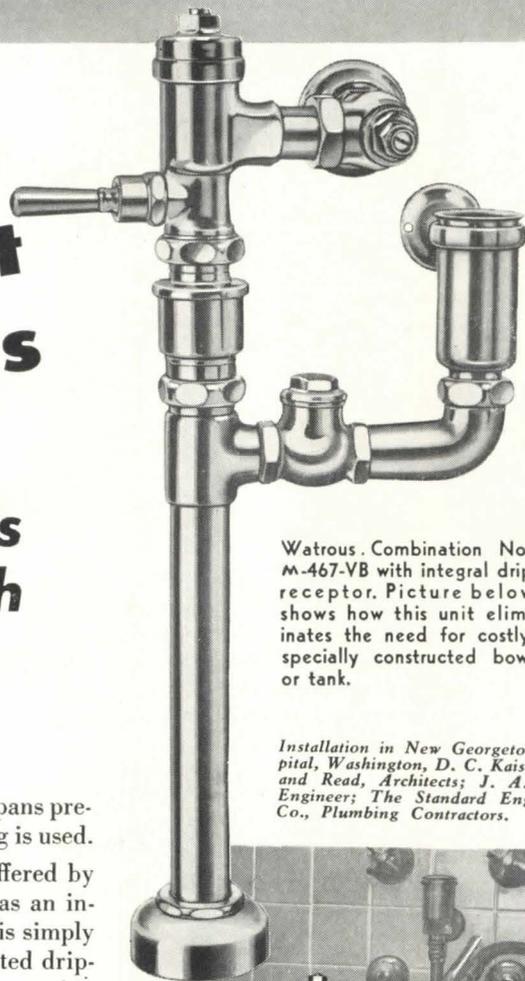
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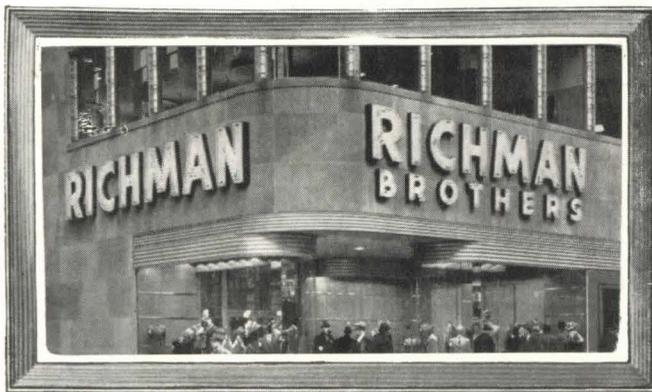
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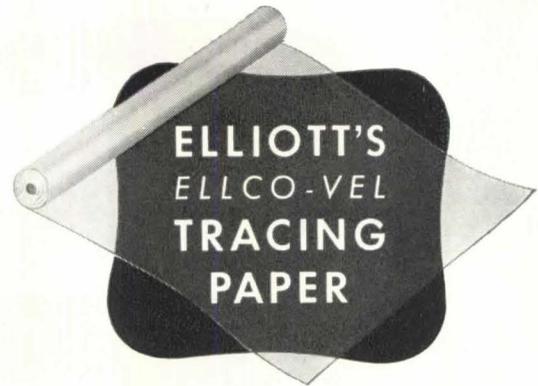
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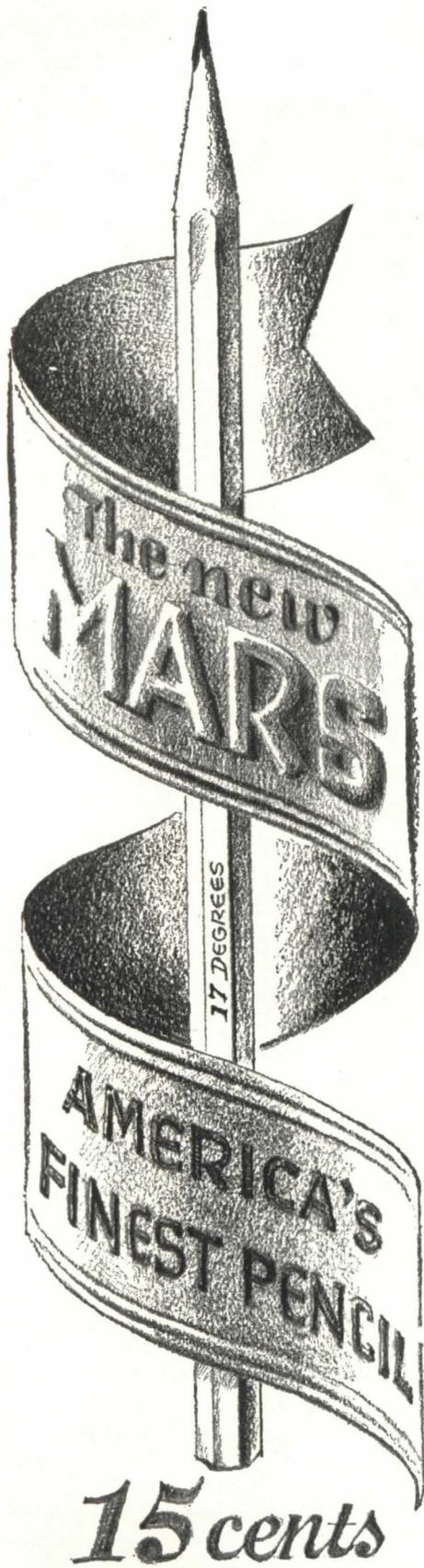
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Incidentally, this important Board carries on its work with an inadequate budget, expanding its own membership by drawing on the time and effort of a number of other teachers and practitioners. A three-man team visits each school appraised.

**ST. LOUIS WAS HOST TO A GREAT MANY ARCHITECTS IN THE LATTER PART OF SEPTEMBER.** The American Hospital Association held its convention there, and at the same time the jury for the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial competition gathered for its first-stage judgment. I went out there calmly intending to visit several local architects and found more to do in a few days that I ever want to encounter again.

**THE A.H.A. PRESENTED A PROGRAM ON HOSPITAL DESIGN** which justified the trips many architects had made from all over the country. Only one mistake in planning was made: the all-day architects' meeting was on a Sunday, which is a dry day in St. Louis. The traveling show featuring Skidmore, Owings & Merrill vs. Carl Erikson on the subject of southern orientation and maximum glass areas (former one-night stands in Ann Arbor and Grand Rapids) was as enjoyable as usual, even with Bob Cutler standing in for Nat Owings. A number of us got drawn into the discussion, which proved principally that (a) not enough technical material has been published on the value, the control, and the limitations of sunlight, and (b) what technical data has been published has not been read.

This question of the value to the profession of publishing technical information (of the sort which is more than a report on new products) concerns us on *P.A.* very much. At the Princeton conference in the spring John Burchard had some mean things to say about the architectural journals on this score. He spoke scathingly of the "pseudoscientific" material which the profession is fed. I don't quite know what he means by that. I do know that not one of the people in St. Louis who were discussing solar orientation had read the factual report (May 1947 *PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE*) of the research on this subject being conducted at Purdue University. There's not much point in publishing material which isn't going to be read. That does no one except the printer and the paper manufacturer any good. I don't mean to imply that we shall therefore stop publishing factual research data, when it is available. We'll publish it, and make it as readable as possible. Then it's up to you people. We can't read it for you.

The nicest story I got out of the convention was a true one about the architect who was designing a hospital for the first time. The hospital superintendent impressed him with the fact that all facilities must provide for a balanced distribution of sexes. Wards, etc., would be required in equal numbers for men and women. The architect took his lecture seriously, and when plans were completed they indicated two morgues.

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This particular competition, because of its national importance, has caused much discussion within the profession of various aspects of the competition principle. There is, for instance, the great financial contribution that the designers make toward the success of such a venture. St. Louis citizens put up handsome prizes (a total of \$175,000), but the competitors put up at least a thousand dollars each in time and office costs, which makes the total contribution of the profession considerably greater than that of the sponsors.

There has been some discussion of the value of anonymity in such competitions. The jury is composed of honorable, objective men. Why must the names of the competitors be hidden from them? The usual answer is that they might, even subconsciously, be influenced by great names. Our experience in the *P.A.* Awards judgment last year didn't bear this out. Obviously, in judging completed work, some of which members of the jury had seen, some of which had been published, it would have been futile to try to hide the architects' names. Yet two unknown firms won Awards in a field which included a number of internationally known and very able designers.

Another question being kicked around is the influence on the jurors of handsome presentations. It is an obvious fact that a wonderful idea may not receive the attention it deserves if it is presented simply and factually; it may be overshadowed by a mediocre solution, dolled up by means of fancy presentation techniques. Jurors are human, and no matter how hard they try, they can't help but be influenced by such matters. It is my impression, after talking to a number of people who have served on important juries recently, that they are much more apt to be influenced by presentation than by names. We have made great advances in the conduct of competitions, and the "ethics" are well protected by the A.I.A. standards. No important competition could now become the fiasco that the League of Nations business was. Perhaps, in addition to that, some of the basic concepts of the principle of competitive solutions should now be re-examined.

*Thomas H. Wright*