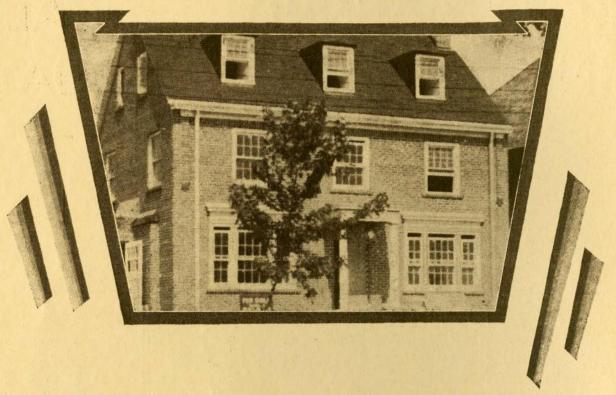
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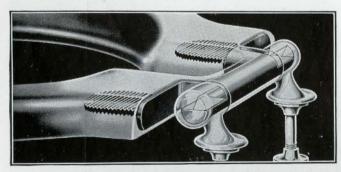


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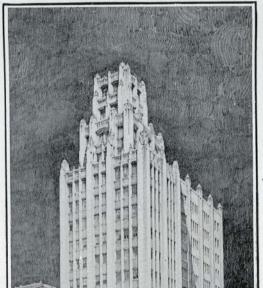
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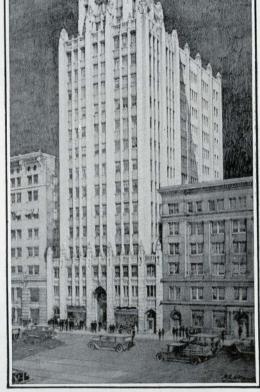
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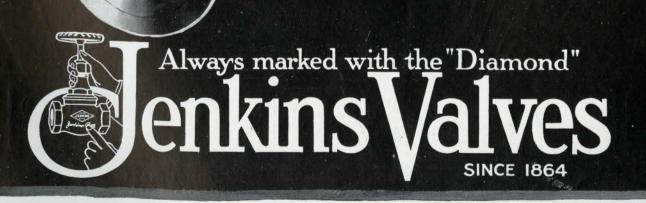
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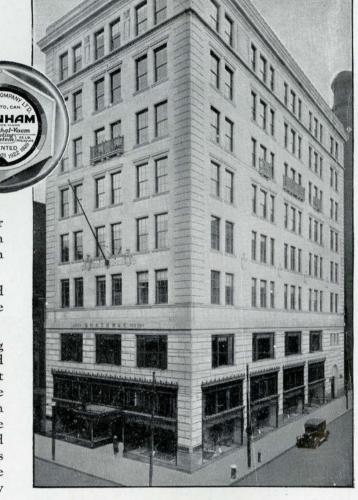
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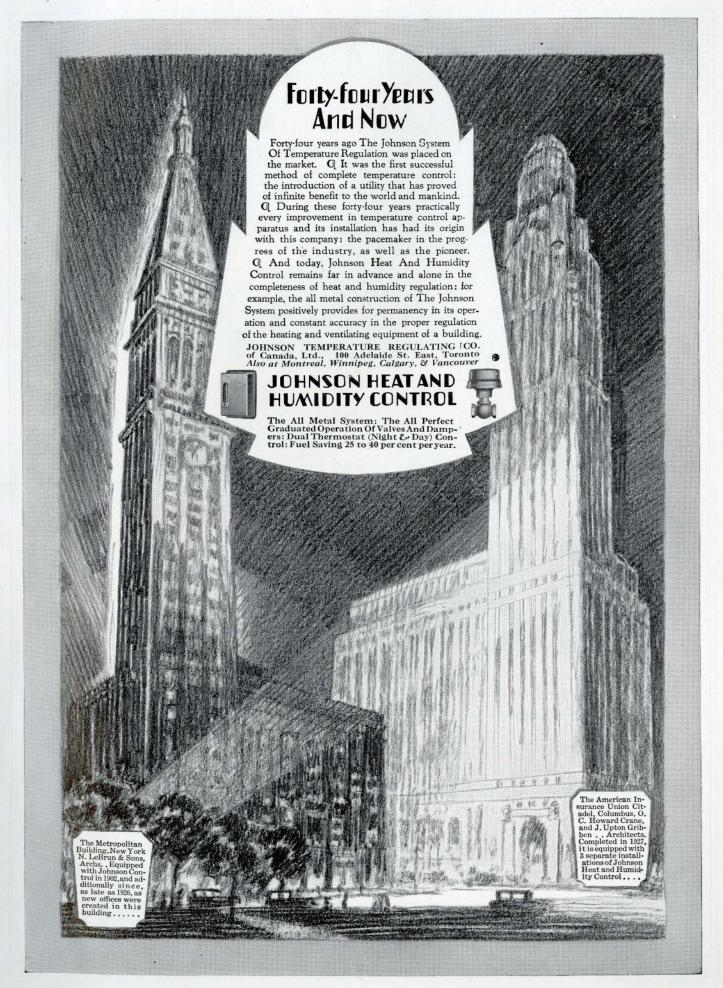
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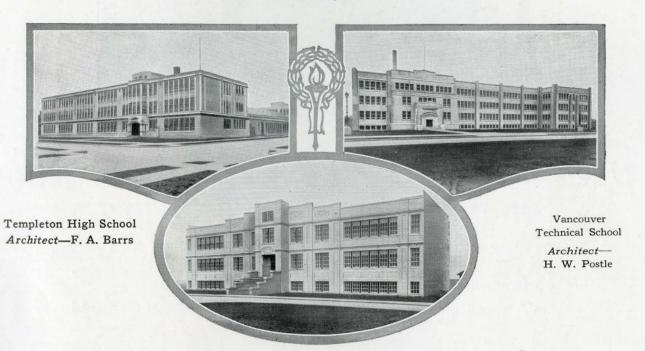


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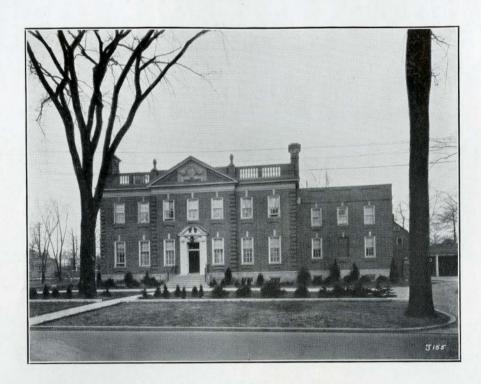
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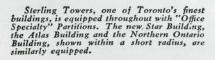
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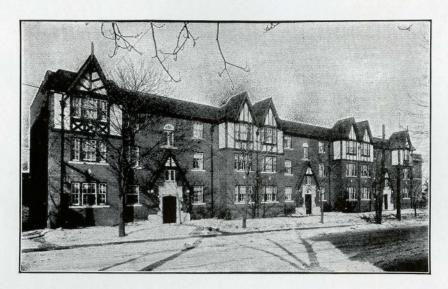
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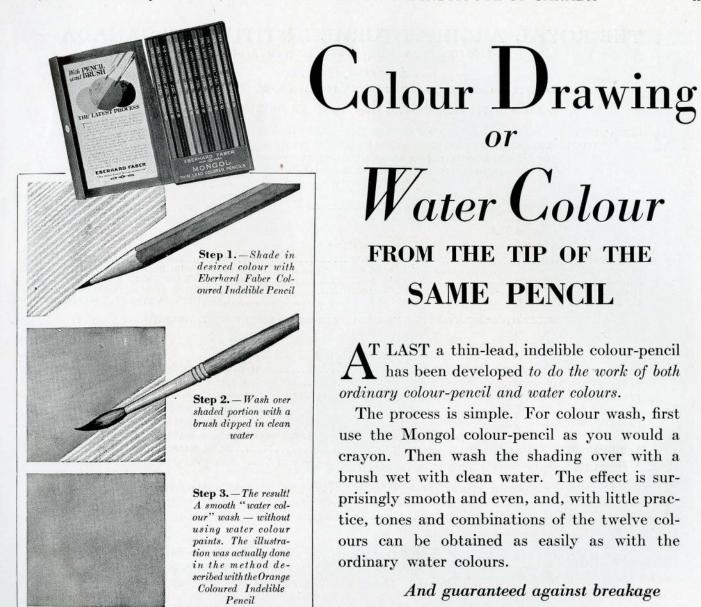
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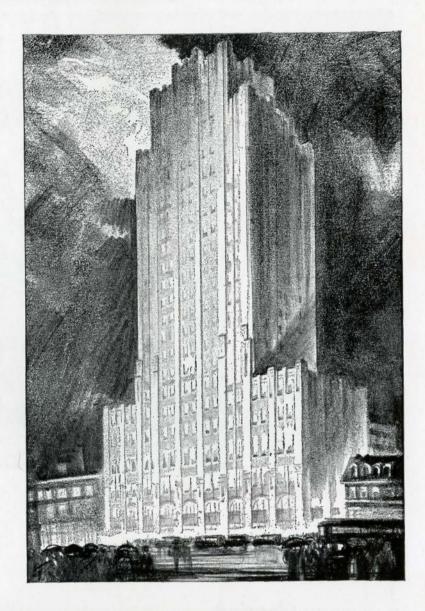
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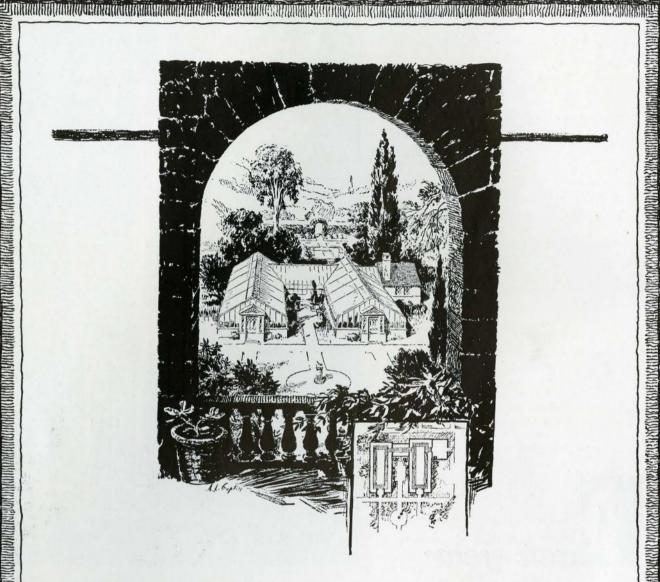
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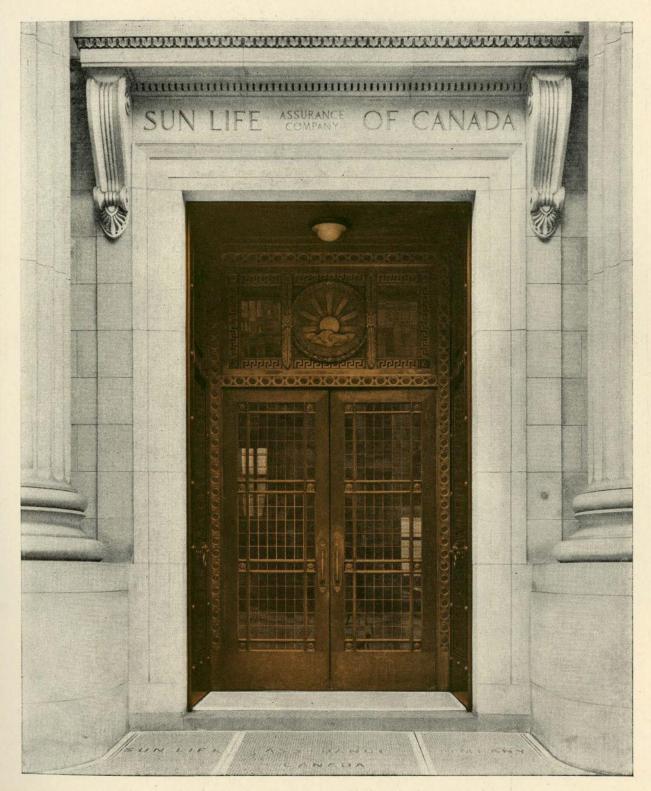
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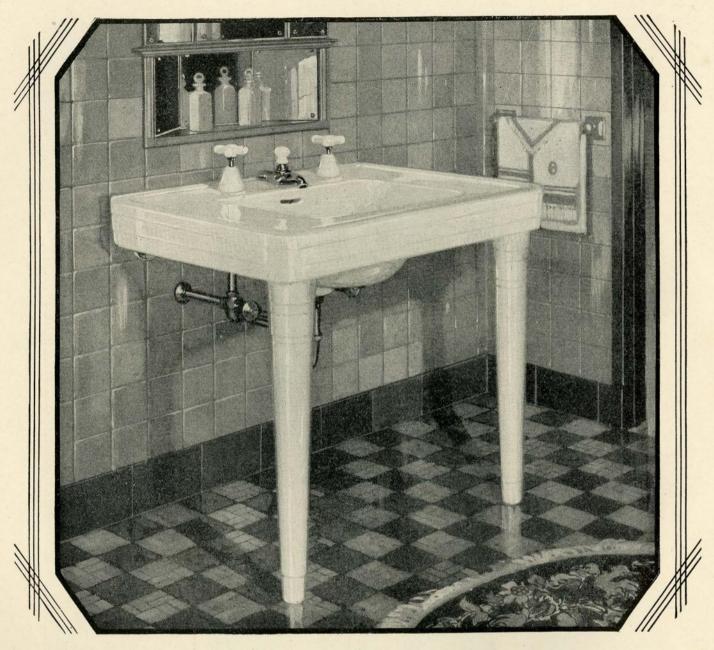
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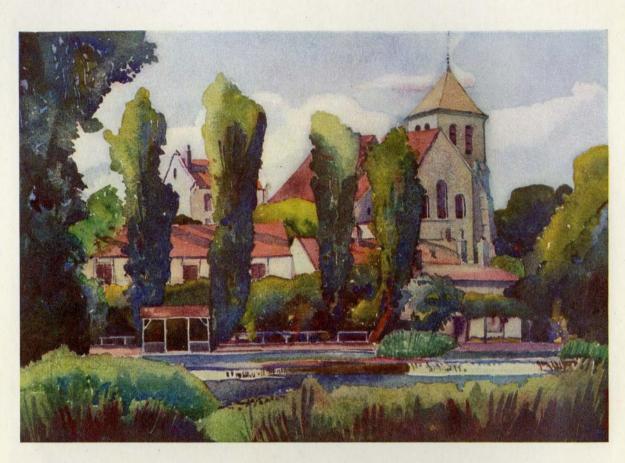
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The President's Address at the Twenty-Second Annual Meeting of the R.A.I.C.

OOKING back to the time of the establishment of this Institute, it would appear that we have travelled through a period of organization. When the Institute was established only one Provincial association had obtained an act from its legislature giving legal status to the practice of architecture. Since then all the provinces with the exception of the Maritime Provinces and Ontario have such enactments, and the Ontario Legislature has one before it at present as a government measure. British Columbia and Saskatchewan have this year had amendments to their acts at the instance of their respective associations.

This Institute has also been occupied with organizing, first with an amendment to its charter making the Provincial associations the component parts, then an extensive revision of its by-laws, and now we are again before Parliament for an amendment to our charter permitting the establishment of fellowship members. This in turn will require a revision of our by-laws. The establishing of the examination board in this Institute is also a step in organization and perhaps not the least important.

With organization apparently completed the activities of the Institute may now be devoted to matters pertaining to the art and practice of architecture in Canada. Perhaps the first effort in this direction should be to endeavour to have all public buildings of architectural merit and to bring governing bodies to a sense of their opportunities and responsibilities in this regard. At the time of the last annual meeting of this Institute, such an effort was made by it with the Dominion Government, and while our suggestions

in regard to the particular buildings to which we referred were not acted upon, it was gratifying to have the Government almost immediately ask two distinguished members of this Institute to be the architects of the new National Research Buildings to be erected in Ottawa.

Several of the other matters which the Institute brought to the Government's attention at that time have not yet been answered by it. The incoming council may consider what further step may be taken to induce the Government to establish scholarships, the employment of architects in private practice on public buildings, and a more thorough collection of duty on architectural plans from abroad. Provincial societies might take similar steps with their respective governments, cities and school boards.

We are architects at the dawn of a new era in architecture in a new country at the dawn of its architectural development. Already commercialism and materialism are undermining the architect and his art, and unless we are content to take a lesser place than that which traditionally belongs to the architect, it is necessary that we avail ourselves in full measure of the modern methods in organization.

Our organization is complete, but this is insufficient in itself—it requires the loyal and earnest support of every member to make it effective. This loyalty means that all must follow the highest professional practice with their clients and business associates, with their fellow architects and with the public. In a word they must be true to their art and profession if they are to be true to themselves.

J. P. HYNES.



DELEGATES TO THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE R.A.I.C.

Front Row—Left to Right: Professor E. R. Arthur, Bernal Jones, J. H. Craig, Philip J. Turner, I. Markus, Alcide Chausse, Percy E. Nobbs, J. P. Hynes, Rene Frechet, W. L. Somerville, H. B. Gordon, V. D. Horsburgh, Raymond H. Collinge, S. H. Penlington

Second Row: R. A. V. Nicholson, Kenneth F. Noxon, Gladstone Evans, Harold Carter, J. B. Keith Fisken, A. J. Everett, C. E. Cyril Dyson, B. Evan Parry, Jules F. Wegman, John M. Lyle, W. D. Riddell, H. H. Madill, Grant Helliwell, Edwin Menges, J. Jackson Beck, H. G. Salisbury, Wilfred F. Smith

Back Row: Allan George, Murray Brown, H. E. Moore, Earl L. Sheppard, E. Telfer Arnoldi, C. Barry Cleveland, W. J. Abra' G. Roper Gouinlock, A. H. Gregg, Stanley T. J. Fryer, and Wm. Blackwell

Proceedings of the Twenty-second General Annual Meeting of the

Royal Architectural Institute of Canada

THE first session of the Twenty-second General Annual Meeting of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada was held at the rooms of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, 2020 Union Avenue, Montreal, Que., on Thursday the 21st February, 1929, at 12.30 o'clock p.m.

Those present were: Messrs. Percy E. Nobbs, Philip J. Turner, Ernest Cormier, Chas. David, Henri P. Labelle, Ludger Venne, F. R. Findlay,

Edgar Prairie and Alcide Chausse.

The president, Mr. J. P. Hynes, being absent, Mr. Percy E. Nobbs, first vice-president, presided as chairman of the meeting. Mr. Alcide Chausse, honorary secretary, acted as secretary for the meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Edgar Prairie, seconded by Mr. Alcide Chausse, it was unanimously

resolved: That this meeting adjourn and resume its sessions on Friday, the 22nd February, 1929, at 10.30 o'clock a.m. at the Art Gallery,

Toronto, Ontario.

The annual meeting was resumed on Friday, February 22nd, at the Art Gallery, Toronto, under the chairmanship of Mr. J. P. Hynes, president of the Institute. Among those present were: Messrs. J. H. Craig, W. L. Somerville, Allan George, Herbert E. Moore, Murray Brown, C. H. C. Wright, H. B. Gordon, C. J. Burritt, H. J. Salis-bury, E. Menges, Harold Smith, Jules F. Wegman,

A. Frank Wickson, A. S. Mathers, V. D. Horsburgh, Kenneth F. Noxon, H. H. Madill, I. Markus, Stanley T. J. Fryer, F. E. L. Abrey, E. R. Arthur, E. Telfer Arnoldi, J. B. Keith Fisken J. B. Fisher, and C. E. Cyril Dyson, of Toronto; Percy E. Nobbs, Alcide Chausse, and Philip J. Turner of Montreal: B. Eyan Parry, W. J. Abra. Turner, of Montreal; B. Evan Parry, W. J. Abra, R. A. V. Nicholson, and L. Fennings Taylor, of Ottawa; Rene A. Frechet of Moncton; W. F. Smith of Midland; and B. Jones of Kitchener; W. D.

Riddell of Hamilton.

The President, in calling the meeting to order, explained that the meeting had been adjourned from Montreal to Toronto as it was felt that the architectural exhibition now being held in the Gallery would provide the proper setting for the annual meeting of the Institute. Mr. Hynes then delivered his presidential address in which he pointed out that as the organization of the Institute was practically completed, it should now give closer attention to matters pertaining to the art and practice of architecture in Canada. He also suggested that the incoming council consider what further steps might be taken to induce the Government to establish scholarships in architecture. The full text of the president's address will be found on page 77 of this issue.

Reading of Minutes: As the minutes of the last annual meeting were published in The Journal and distributed among the members, they were

accepted as read.

March, 1929

Delegates to the 1929 Council: The honorary secretary reported the following delegates elected by the various Provincial associations of architects to the 1929 Council:

PROVINCIAL ASSOCIATIONS Alberta Association of Architects	DELEGATES A. M. CALDERON
Manitoba Association of Architects	E. Parkinson
Ontario Association of Architects	J. H. G. RUSSELL MURRAY BROWN J. H. CRAIG E. L. HORWOOD
	J. P. Hynes H. E. Moore Gordon M. West
Province of Quebec Association of	GORDON M. WEST
Architects	ALCIDE CHAUSSE
	ERNEST CORMIER
	I. O. MARCHAND
	W. S. MAXWELL
	Percy E. Nobbs
	EUGENE PAYETTE
	PHILIP J. TURNER
Saskatchewan Association of Architect	
Architectural Institute of British	-11 111
Columbia	
	J. J. HONEYMAN
37 4 (4 1	Andrew L. Mercer
Maritime Association of Architects	H. CLAIRE MOTT

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Upon request of the chairman, Mr. I. Markus, executive secretary, gave the report of the executive committee, as follows:

In submitting the report of the executive committee for the year just closing I should like to point out that because of the increased activities of the Institute, it was found necessary to hold eleven meetings of the executive committee during the year.

The attendance of each of the members at the meetings was as follows:

J. P. Hynes, president	11
W. L. Somerville, hon. treasurer	9
Alcide Chaussé, hon. secretary	1
Gordon M. West	8
J. H. Craig	10
B. Evan Parry, (Ottawa)	3
Geo. T. Evans, (Hamilton)	0

Appointment of an Executive Secretary: As a result of a resolution passed at the last annual meeting authorizing the executive committee to appoint an executive secretary of the Institute, I was appointed to that office on March 31st, 1928.

Re Memorial to the Government: following the visit of a deputation from the Institute to the Government on the occasion of our last annual meeting in Ottawa, considerable correspondence passed between the president of the Institute and the Minister of Public Works in connection with the proposed government departmental buildings

to be erected in Ottawa.

Unfortunately, very little progress can be reported on the memorial presented to the Government at this time, with the possible exception that the Government has recognized, to some extent, our request that architects in private practice be retained by the Government for the erection of government buildings, also that the Preventive Service Branch of the Department of Customs and Excise is endeavouring to trace the buildings which have been erected by foreign architects, so that proper duties can be collected.

Amendments to the Charter: At the last annual meeting of the Institute, the executive committee was empowered to have the charter amended so as to provide for the creation of fellowships in the Institute. After consideration by a legislative committee, the executive submitted the following proposed amendments to the members of the council and to the Provincial associations for their approval:

Section 4, and Sub-section (2) of Section 5 of the charter of the Institute as amended by Act of Parliament on April 1st, 1912, shall be deleted and the following substituted:

Membership of the Institute shall consist of associates, members and fellows, all of whom shall be members in good standing of a Provincial architects' association, recognized by the Institute; also honorary members and honorary fellows.

The Institute may by by-law make regulations governing the membership of the Institute.

The following abbreviations or letters shall designate the respective classifications of membership in the Institute.

A.R.A.I.C.—Associate of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

M.R.A.I.C.—Member of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

F.R.A.I.C.—Fellow of the Royal Architectural

Institute of Canada. Hon. M.R.A.I.C.—Honorary Member of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

Hon. F.R.A.I.C.—Honorary Fellow of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

The Provincial associations approved of these proposed amendments, and in the early fall, Messrs. McGuire, Macdonald & Boles, of Toronto. were retained by the Institute as solicitors in the matter. Notices of application to Parliament for amendments to the charter have already appeared in the daily press, and our application will be considered by Parliament at the present session.

Proposed Amendments to the By-Laws: As the amended charter would necessitate certain changes in the by-laws, it was thought advisable to prepare a draft of the proposed changes to be submitted to the Provincial associations and the members of the council for their consideration. The proposed amendments on the whole have been approved of by the Provincial bodies, but a few suggestions have been submitted which will be given further consideration at this meeting.

Standard Forms of Contract: At the last annual meeting of the Institute, a letter was read from the Canadian Construction Association, requesting the Institute to approve of the standard forms of contract which have been issued to their members.

Copies of these forms of contract were submitted to the Provincial associations for their consideration, and a special committee of the Institute was appointed consisting of Messrs. A. Frank Wickson and H. E. Moore to examine the contract forms and report to the executive committee.

As there seemed to be some objection to the forms, a resolution was passed by the executive committee on May 22nd, 1928, requesting that the Canadian Construction Association refrain from the further use of these forms, pending the action of the Institute. The special committee found, after examining the forms that some considerable change would have to be made in them before they could be accepted by the Institute. It was thought advisable, therefore, to call a conference of the representatives of the Canadian Construction Association and the Institute to consider the changes as proposed by our committee. This conference was held on November 15th, and as a result it was decided that more progress could be made by having one representative of the Institute, together with a solicitor, meet and discuss the forms with a representative and solicitor from the Canadian Construction Association. A solicitor has already been appointed by the executive committee, and Mr. Moore will report further in the matter.

R.A.I.C. Examining Board: As a result of a lengthy discussion at the last annual meeting in connection with the matter of examinations, a motion to appoint an examining board for the purpose of conducting examinations in Canada was passed, and the executive committee was instructed to make the necessary appointments to the board. The following committee was appointed: Professor A. Beaugrand-Champagne, Montreal, chairman; Professor C. H. C. Wright, Toronto; Professor Ramsay Traquair, Montreal; Professor A. A. Stoughton, Winnipeg; W. S. Maxwell, Montreal; and S. P. Dumaresq, Halifax. The duties of the examining board were outlined to the members of the board at the time of their appointment, and considerable correspondence has passed between the members of this board.

As the opinions expressed seemed to differ on some important points, it was thought advisable to hold a conference of the Toronto and Montreal members of the board. This meeting was held in Montreal on October 19th, but up to the present time the board has not formulated any definite policy. It has therefore been considered necessary to have the matter given further consideration at this meeting.

Proposed Increased Budget: At a meeting of the executive committee held in May, it was considered advisable to prepare a budget that would permit of the expansion of the Institute's activities, in order that the Institute could function in as effective a manner as other national architectural bodies. This proposed budget was sent to the members of the council and to the Provincial associations for their consideration. It was also published in The Journal so that the membership at large would see the necessity of an increase in the pro rata contribution.

The proposed increased budget has been given favourable consideration by almost all the Provincial associations, and three of the Provincial bodies, viz: The Architectural Institute of British Columbia, the Manitoba Association of Architects and the Ontario Association of Architects have already signified their willingness to increase their pro rata contribution to the Institute to \$8.00 per member.

Code of Ethics and Code of Competitions: The executive committee felt that it would be in the interests of the profession to revise the present code of ethics and code of competitions so that

they would coincide with present-day practice. A special committee was appointed with Stanley T. J. Fryer, of Toronto, as convenor and the suggested revisions will be presented to this annual meeting for consideration.

Membership Reports from Provincial Associations: At the last annual meeting of the Institute, the honorary treasurer recommended that, in order to avoid discrepancies which have appeared in our books in recent years between the statements sent out by the Institute and the amounts of pro rata contribution sent in by the Provincial associations, typewritten forms be sent to each of the Provincial associations with a request that they be returned with a complete statement of their membership as at January 1st, 1929. These forms have been returned and will be the basis on which the pro rata contribution for the current year will be fixed.

Saskatoon War Memorial Competition: At the suggestion of the executive committee, Mr. Percy Over, architect of Winnipeg, was appointed as chief assessor for this competition. We are pleased to state that the competition was conducted in a very satisfactory manner.

Change in Place of Annual Meeting: On account of the Toronto Chapter of the Ontario Association of Architects holding their second exhibition of architecture and allied arts in the Art Gallery of Toronto during the month of February, the executive committee felt that this exhibition would provide an ideal setting for the Twenty-second General Annual Meeting of the Institute, and upon receiving the sanction of the members of the council it was decided to convene the meeting in Montreal on February 21st as provided for at the last annual meeting and adjourn therefrom to Toronto on February 22nd and 23rd, 1929.

Toronto on February 22nd and 23rd, 1929. In concluding this report, may I, on behalf of the members of the executive committee, take this opportunity of expressing to the president, our appreciation for the kindly spirit he has shown at the meetings of the executive committee, and also for his untiring efforts on behalf of the interests of the profession in Canada

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) I. Markus,
Executive Secretary.

THE CHAIRMAN: There are many things in the executive committee's report which will require discussion, but as many of them are included in the programme, I would suggest that the report be laid on the table until we have had an opportunity of discussing the various matters under their proper headings—It was therefore moved by Mr. I. Markus, seconded by Mr. W. L. Somerville:

That the report of the executive committee be laid on the table—*Carried*.

THE HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT

In presenting the report of the honorary secretary, Mr. Alcide Chausse remarked that while his report may be a repetition of that of the president and the executive secretary, yet he thought it advisable to present it to the meeting The report is as follows:

To the President, the Officers and Members of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada. Gentlemen:

I have much pleasure to present my twentysecond annual report as honorary secretary of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

The twenty-first annual meeting was held last year in Ottawa, on the 17th and 18th February, 1928. It was a pleasure for us to welcome, for the first time, delegates of the Maritime Association of Architects, which had been formed during the year 1927. That new organization is composed of architects of the provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. Twenty years after the foundation of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada we had succeeded in having with us a federation of associations of architects from all the provinces in the Dominion.

The election of officers held at the meeting of the council at the time of the last general annual meeting, gave the following result, all being elected by acclamation: President, J. P. Hynes, re-elected; 1st vice-president, Percy E. Nobbs, re-elected; 2nd vice-president, René A. Fréchet; hon. secretary, Alcide Chaussé, re-elected; and hon. treasurer, W. L. Somerville, re-elected. As, according to section 4 of the 1924 by-laws, the president elected is from the Province of Ontario, the members of the council representing that province, together with the honorary secretary, formed the executive committee of the council for year 1929, and as the annual meeting had decided to give the executive committee power to retain the services of an executive secretary, I. Markus was appointed to that position, and has acted also as acting secretary to the executive committee.

At last year's annual meeting it was also decided to have our charter amended in order to give the R.A.I.C. power to have classes of membership and for other purposes. The project is now before Parliament, and as soon as adopted, either a special meeting of the members will be called, or the matter will be considered at the coming annual meeting, for the purposes of amending the present by-laws, or to abrogate them and have them replaced with new by-laws which will conform with the new charter, as it will be amended by Parliament. It is also proposed to revise and amend the present code of ethics and regulations for the conduct of architectural competitions.

The executive committee have done a great deal, during the past year, to extend the activities of the R.A.I.C. by monthly meetings, and by initiating movements for the best interests of our organization. The executive secretary's report will give you all the information relating to the matters which were discussed and considered at the meetings of the executive committee.

At the last meeting of the council it had been decided to hold the twenty-second annual meeting in Montreal, but it was felt by the executive committee that it would be better to meet in Toronto again this year, so that our meeting

would coincide with the second exhibition of architecture of the Toronto Chapter of the Ontario Association of Architects. This is why this general annual meeting of the R.A.I.C., which opened yesterday in Montreal, was immediately adjourned to resume its sessions here in Toronto.

Before closing allow me to thank the members of the council for the generous help which they gave me during the past year, in facilitating the carrying out of my duties as honorary secretary, and to congratulate the executive committee on the good work done by them for the success of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) ALCIDE CHAUSSE,
Honorary Secretary.

It was moved by Mr. Chaussé, and seconded by Mr. Murray Brown:

That the honorary secretary's report be adopted —Carried.

HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon the request of the chairman, the honorary treasurer, Mr. W. L. Somerville, tendered his report to the Institute as follows:

In presenting my report and that of the auditor, I am sorry to state that in spite of curtailing our expenditures as much as possible last year, we close with a deficit of \$477.37.

For a number of years we have barely held our own. The work of the Institute has now reached a point where under the income provided in former years it is impossible to carry on. This condition can only be remedied by an increase in the annual contribution from the Provincial associations.

My recommendation of last year calling for a form of statement on membership to be filled in by Provincial associations on which contributions would be fixed, and also as a subscription list for The Journal, has worked out satisfactorily, and I think I am correct in saying that our books are now in a satisfactory condition, and our records in good shape.

The hon, treasurer thereupon gave the auditor's report, as follows:

Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, Montreal, Quebec.

AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR 1928

I have audited the accounts of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada for the year ending 31st December, 1928. All my requirements as auditor have been complied with.

The attached balance sheet dated 31st December, 1928, is, in my opinion, properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the corporation's affairs and as shown by the books.

Toronto, February 15th, 1929.

(Signed) John I. Sutcliffe, C.A. Auditor.

ROYAL ARCHITECTURAL INSTITUTE OF CANADA

BALANCE SHEET 31st December 1928

DALANCE	
ASSETS: 31st Decen	iber, 1928
Bank Balances:	
Bank of Montreal—Montreal	\$ 5.50
Dominion Bank—Toronto	
	352.18
Less Strathcona Scholarship Cash	130.06
	\$ 222.12
Balance due from Alberta Association (paid in Jan., 1929)	78.00
Prepaid Expense, as per schedule	66.68
Strathcona Scholarship Fund: Dominion of Canada Bonds	200.00
Accrued Interest on Bonds	
In Current Bank Account	130.06
В Г	341.06
Reserve Fund: Dominion of Canada Bonds	
Total Assets	
LIABILITIES:	
Accounts Payable, as per schedule	\$ 815.15
Credit Balances in accounts with Frovincial Associations, as pe	r schedule
	9720.13
	\$300.38
Lord Strathcona Scholarship Account:	é 200 00
PrincipalAccumulated Interest	141.06
Accumulated Interest	
Life Membership Account:	
Principal	\$ 100.00
Accumulated Interest	
Reserve Account (5% of Revenue since July 1, 1923)	
Reserve Account (5 /6 or Revenue since July 1, 1925)	
	\$ 1,045.25
Debit Balance in Surplus Account, see schedule	
	\$300.38
REVENUE ACCOUNT—Yea	Expenses:
Fees—	Royal Architectural Inst. of Canada
Alberta Association \$ 78.00	Journal\$ 637.00
B.C. Association	Expenses of Convention\$396.22 Less Receipts from sale of
——————————————————————————————————————	Dinner Tickets 212.00
Manitoba Association	
Maritime Association 75.00	Report of Convention
Ontario Association477.00 Less 1928 fees written off. 3.00	Travelling Expense—President
	Executive Secretary's Honorarium 375.00
Quebec Association	Executive Secretary's Disbursements. 9.72
Saskatchewan Association\$126.00	Assistant Salary
Less 1928 fees written off. 3.00	Rent
123.00	Expenses
\$1,737.00	Printing and Stationery
Interest (other than Scholarship and	Stenographic Services
Life Membership)	Provision for 1928 Audit Fee 25.00
\$1,767.58	Bank Charges 2.30
Less Reserve Fund)—5% of Revenue 86.85	Sundries
\$1,680.73	Deficit\$ 477.37
Note.—The Revenue Account shows the true Income and	Expenditure for 1928 irrespective of cash transactions.
SURPLUS ACCOUNT—	31 DECEMBER, 1928
Debit Balance—December 31st, 1927\$154.00 Add:	Less: Additional Fees for 1927 paid by Alberta
Balances owing from Provincial associations	Association
written off:	——————————————————————————————————————
British Columbia	
Saskatchewan	Adjusted Debit Balance Dec. 31, 1927\$267.50
\$111.00	Deficit for year ending December 31, 1928 477.37
Accounting Costs—1927	
	Debit Balance at December 31, 1928 \$744, 87
\$122.50	Debit Balance at December 31, 1928\$744.87

In continuing his report, the honorary treasurer pointed out that the amount shown as the bank balance, namely \$352.18, did not really represent the financial condition of the Institute for the year. There was actually a deficit of \$477.37, as there were a number of unpaid and due accounts which had not been taken care of.

March, 1929

The treasurer suggested that the matter of the surplus account should be taken up, as it showed a debit balance in 1927 of \$154.00 which, together with some charges on the books against the Provincial associations to which they did not agree, brought the debit balance as at December 31st, 1927, to \$267.50 which, added to the deficit for 1928, brings the debit balance as at December 31st, 1928, to \$744.87.

In closing his report the honorary treasurer made the following motion which was seconded by Mr. Salisbury:

That the council be empowered to draw on the reserve fund of \$520.67 to meet the deficit of \$477.37 for the year 1928, and that further, the adjusted debit balance as at December 31st, 1927, be written off—*Carried*.

REPORT ON THE JOURNAL, R.A.I.C.

In lieu of a report of the publicity committee, of which Mr. J. P. Hynes is chairman, Mr. I. Markus gave the report of the editor of The Journal, as follows:

The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada. Gentlemen:

In the report of THE JOURNAL for the year 1927, a small profit was shown on the first year's operation as a monthly publication. We predicted on that occasion that from the reception being given by the advertisers to the monthly publication of THE JOURNAL, the revenue for advertising during 1928 would be considerably increased and that THE JOURNAL would not only be able to meet its expenditures, but would also be in a position to wipe off a goodly portion of the losses incurred in previous years. I am happy to report that such has been the case and that we have not only been able to meet our expenditures, which have greatly increased owing to the issues containing considerably more editorial matter and being more profusely illustrated with larger plates, but we have been able to show a fair profit on the year's operations.

From an editorial standpoint, we have endeavoured to provide the members with a publication that will not only keep them informed of the activities of the Institute and the Provincial associations, but also include such articles as are of interest to Canadian architects. For example, the re-action from our members and from laymen outside the profession to the series of articles on recent domestic architecture in the various provinces has been most gratifying. Another series which has brought forth a great deal of favourable comment is the articles on the early architecture of the Province of Ontario by Professor E. R. Arthur, of the Department of Architecture, University of Toronto. I believe I am but ex-pressing the opinion of the membership at large when I say that the Institute is delighted to provide the medium through which the people of Canada are being given some permanent record of

early Canadian buildings, about which most of us know too little. We are looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to the publication of a further series of articles on early architecture in the Province of Quebec by Professor Ramsay Traquair, of the Department of Architecture, McGill University. Some of these articles will appear in The Journal during the coming year.

This report would be incomplete were I not to take this opportunity of expressing the appreciation of the editorial board for the very fine articles contributed by the following members during the past year:

Professor Ramsay Traquair J. Rawson Gardiner Percy E. Nobbs Bernard C. Palmer W. L. Somerville C. W. U. Chivers Professor E. R. Arthur R. A. V. Nicholson Philip J. Turner and F. Bruce Brown

H. L. Fetherstonhaugh
Valued contributions were also received from many non-members, including:

Arthur Lismer
F. H. Brigden
H. G. Williams
Mrs. Iris Mudge Carless

E. Wyly Grier
Wendell P. Lawson
W. A. Langton and
Charles W. Jefferys

to all of whom we wish to record our sincere appreciation.

In concluding my report, I desire to acknowledge with thanks the active co-operation of the secretaries of each of the Provincial associations during the past year, which has made possible the publication of their activities in The Journal. May I also bespeak for the members of the editorial board the appreciation of the Institute for the services they have rendered during the past year under the able guidance of the chairman, Mr. J. P. Hynes.

Respectfully submitted,

I. Markus,

Editor.

MEMBER—Inasmuch as The Journal is the only means we have of getting publicity, could Mr. Markus give us some idea of the circulation outside of the architects.

MR. MARKUS—The total circulation of THE JOURNAL is approximately 1,125, of which about 800 go to architects and artists and the balance to advertisers, manufacturers, libraries and other subscribers.

Member—Could the circulation of The Journal be increased if it were sold on the news stands?

MR. MARKUS—No doubt it could. The only difficulty I see is that the name on the cover may cause people to think that it is purely an official organ.

MR. Noxon—I should think some means might be devised which would result in a larger circulation among the people we want to reach. Why could we not publish THE JOURNAL in two sections—one of interest only to architects, while the other section could be put on the news stand, which would be instrumental in creating greater publicity for us and educating the public in architecture.

MR. TURNER—Are the members aware that certain articles in The Journal are published as reprints by McGill University. These reprints, which are sent to all the universities throughout the Empire, are printed in very attractive form, and due publicity is given to the fact that the

articles are taken from THE JOURNAL of the Royal

Architectural Institute of Canada.

Mr. Craig—The point brought up as to whether or not we should endeavour to reach a wider public by publishing THE JOURNAL in two sections, one of particular interest to architects and the other of interest to the general public, brings up a matter of policy which would have to be very carefully considered by the council before it could be adopted. It is a question whether the time is ripe for such a development. But one thing is patent when we consider that at the present time there are many publications which purport to give information to the public on architectural matters, which unfortunately, is not authentic. The information they are disseminating is not particularly helpful to the architectural profession, in fact, in many cases it is detrimental. Perhaps it may be an opportune time to consider expanding the field of The Journal. At any rate, the situation is deserving of our consideration. We want to sell our services to the public, we want to see better buildings built, but we have no manner of reaching the public. There are architectural journals, but they make their appeal to the architects. However, I do not think the occasion should pass without some expression of appreciation to Mr. Markus for his work in connection with THE JOURNAL. I would therefore move the following resolution:

That we express our appreciation to the editor of The Journal and his associates for the work they have been doing and the success they have made of The Journal.

Seconded by Mr. Somerville and Carried.

Mr. Somerville—Perhaps I could explain something of the attitude of the publishers of magazines dealing with architecture. They do want to have authentic articles so far as possible, but if they are to interest the public, they cannot be too profound.

I do feel that if there was some suitable way of feeding articles to the magazines that reach the public that lots could be done that way. We should not be too architectural, for it has to interest the public. I think Professor Arthur's articles, if they were revamped for the public would be

splendid.

THE CHAIRMAN—Is the University contemplating publishing Professor Arthur's articles?

PROF. WRIGHT—I think so, as time goes on. Professor Arthur is still gathering information, and I am sure he has a good deal of material now in pretty fair shape. I think Mr. Markus has access to all the work and knows what Professor Arthur is doing. I also think he would be only too glad to put some of that matter in shape suitable for the general public to read.

Mr. Craig—The difficulty seems to be that there is no standard of criticism. The public judge architecture from what they see in the popular magazines and what they may glean from other sources, but these magazines, instead of publishing illustrations of good buildings, interiors, etc., publish the interior of Mrs. So and So's home simply because she is well known as a society leader, while architecturally it may be the most unsightly thing ever created. The point is this: we want to reach the public. Are we trying to reach the public?

Mr. Abra—If these magazines are not publishing the right material, where does the blame lie? The blame lies right here. Many of these magazines are quite honest in their attempts to get the right kind of material to the public, but unfortunately, there are men who are quite willing to rush into print with articles and illustrations. Again I ask, is this body doing its duty in seeing that they are supplied with the right material?

MR. PARRY—For two years I have pleaded with the Institute to start broadcasting. Nothing has been done so far. We have started broadcasting in Ottawa, and I think it is about time

similar action was taken elsewhere.

Mr. Craig—To bring the discussion to a point I would move that:

The council be instructed to establish a publicity committee, looking to the expansion of the circulation of The Journal.

Seconded by B. Evan Parry and Carried.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE

Mr. P. E. Nobbs, chairman of the education committee, reported that at the last annual meeting the matter of architectural education was discussed at great length, as a result of which an examination board was appointed. He suggested that this report would come more appropriately from the examination board.

REPORT OF RESEARCH COMMITTEE

The honorary secretary read the following letter from Professor A. R. Greig, of the University of Saskatchewan, Chairman of the Research Committee:

Mr. Alcide Chaussé, Hon. Secretary, Royal Architectural Institute of Canada. Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 23rd, with regard to the report from the research committee.

I am not aware of any research work along architectural lines that is being conducted except probably some work in acoustics at Toronto University and probably some at McGill, and a little on wall insulation at our own institution. None of these research projects are being conducted under the auspices of the architectural associations and I presume most of them are being conducted under the Research Council of Canada.

If you know of any research projects I will be glad if you will let me know who are conducting them. I will write and get what information

I can.

THE CHAIRMAN—Some years ago, Mr. Martin of Saskatchewan did some very valuable work. He collected the papers from many different testing bureaus and these were published in The Journal. It developed, however, that Mr. Martin was not able to give any further time to this work and we have not been able to get anyone to fill his place. If any of the members feel they would like to help in that department, we would welcome that assistance.

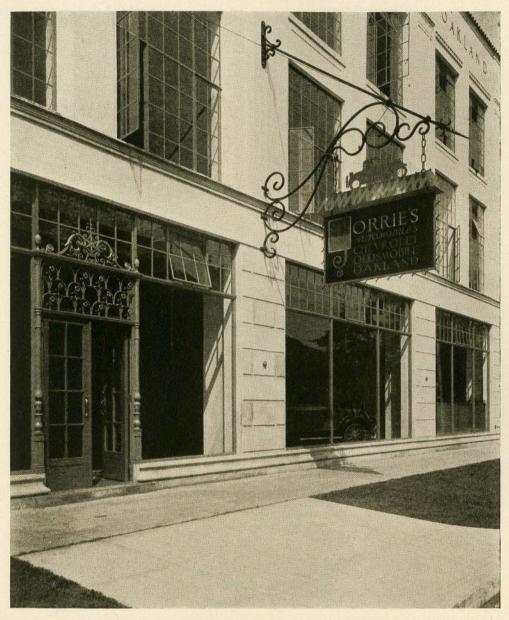
Mr. Parry—Mr. James Govan, one of the members of the Ontario Association of Architects has attended officially on the research board at Ottawa and he is going very thoroughly into the

question of acoustics.

Mr. Nobbs—If Mr. Markus could cover some of the reports being made by that board, it would (Continued on page 110).



FIRST AWARD—DETAILS, COMMERCIAL. MAIN ENTRANCE DOORWAY, DOMINION BANK, BLEURY STREET, MONTREAL $John\ M.\ Lyle,\ R.C.A.,\ Architect$ $D.\ J.\ Spence,\ Associate$ (See "Toronto Chapter Architectural Exhibition" page 93)



SECOND AWARD—DETAILS, COMMERCIAL. A. D. GORRIE GARAGE, TORONTO

Murray Brown, Architect

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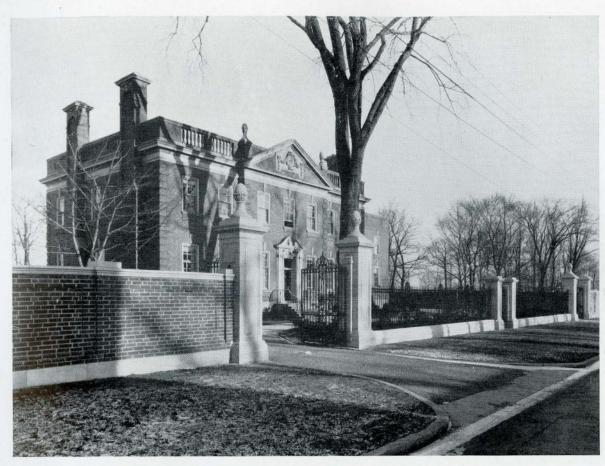
HONOURABLE MENTION—DOMESTIC INTERIORS OVER \$50,000. RESIDENCE OF R. B. HICKMAN, ESQ., COBOURG, ONTARIO Mackenzie Waters, Architect (See "Toronto Chapter Architectural Exhibition" page 93)



FIRST AWARD—DOMESTIC EXTERIORS OVER \$20,000. COUNTRY HOUSE FOR W. R. P. PARKER, ERINDALE, ONTARIO

Mathers & Haldenby, Architects

(See "Toronto Chapter Architectural Exhibition" page 93)



MEDAL OF HONOUR AND FIRST AWARD—DOMESTIC EXTERIORS OVER \$50,000 RESIDENCE OF GERALD R. LARKIN, TORONTO George, Moorhouse & King, Architects

Toronto Chapter Architectural Exhibition

By Prof. E. R. ARTHUR, A.R.I.B.A., Dept. of Architecture, University of Toronto

(See also Plates, pages 85, 87, 89, 91)

It is customary in British law for the hangman to perform his appointed task after the judge has well and truly tried the accused. In architectural exhibitions, oddly enough, it is a far, far better thing that the hangmen precede the judges. Two years ago we had the ghastly experience of seeing judges and hangmen working hand in hand, though in fairness to both I must say there was no intercourse between the two. That would have been intolerable as the hangmen were mightily interested in the about-to-be-judged. As a member of this year's jury, I should like to congratulate the hanging committee on having everything ready before we arrived.

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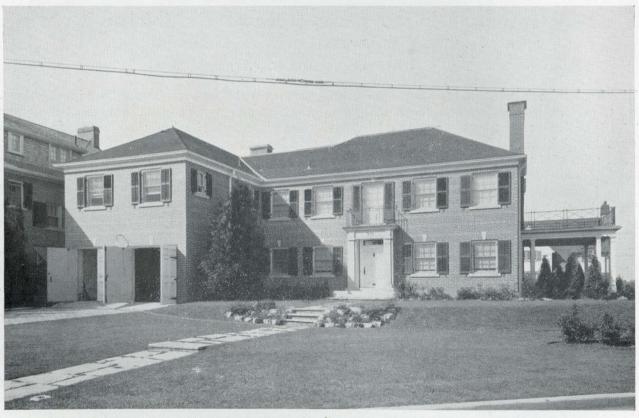
It is difficult to compare an exhibition of this kind as a whole with one held two years ago. The allied arts were distinctly better this year, and anything one might say of the photographs would be merely a guess. It would not be an extravagance at the next exhibition if something of a dramatic nature were arranged in the court. It is important, I think, that on passing through the turnstyle the

visitor should have the impression of a fine show. I can imagine such an effect being created by four colossal totem poles like those used at the Arts and Letters Club a year or so ago—certainly not by a fountain dribbling away surrounded by an artificial box hedge of a horrible green.

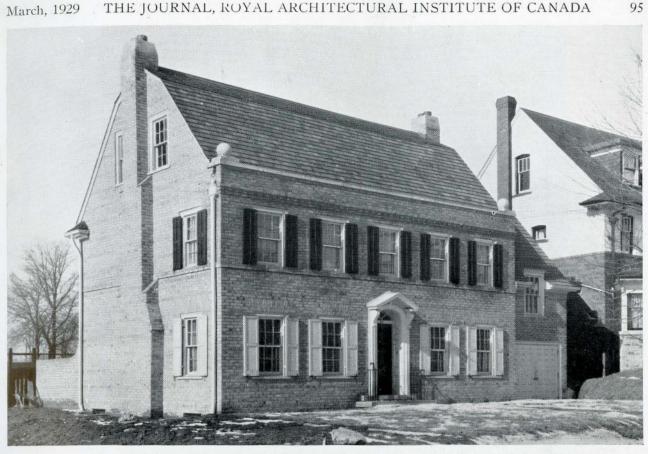
In the principal gallery showing photographs of the work of members of the Toronto Chapter, the small house group had, as one might expect, the biggest showing and attracted the greatest attention of the visiting public. In this class (houses under \$20,000) first award was given to Mathers and Haldenby for their residence of Mr. F. B. Housser. The three awards in this class to houses which were formal in their design might suggest that the jury had a preference for that type of house, but such was not the case. In designing a house in a certain style it is essential that the architect have a feeling for that style. It is not enough to refer to a book of measured drawingsit is still worse to refer to contemporary magazines. Particularly does this apply to Elizabethan archi-



FIRST AWARD—DOMESTIC EXTERIORS UNDER \$20,000. RESIDENCE OF F. B. HOUSSER, TORONTO Mathers & Haldenby, Architects



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SECOND AWARD—DOMESTIC EXTERIORS OVER \$20,000. RESIDENCE OF DR. E. A. MORGAN, TORONTO Dyce E. Saunders, Architect



HONOURABLE MENTION—DOMESTIC EXTERIORS UNDER \$20,000. RESIDENCE ON PARK ROAD, TORONTO Mackenzie Waters, Architect



FIRST AWARD—DOMESTIC INTERIORS UNDER \$20,000. INTERIOR OF HALL, RESIDENCE OF F. B. HOUSSER, TORONTO Mathers & Hatdenby, Architects



HONOURABLE MENTION—DOMESTIC INTERIORS OVER \$50,000. DINING ROOM, RESIDENCE OF GERALD R. LARKIN, TORONTO George, Moorhouse & King, Architects



HONOURABLE MENTION—DOMESTIC INTERIORS OVER \$50,000. LIBRARY, RESIDENCE OF J. P. BICKELL, PORT CREDIT, ONTARIO Murray Brown, Architect



HONOURABLE MENTION—DOMESTIC INTERIORS OVER \$20,000. LIVING ROOM, RESIDENCE OF MURRAY CAPON, TORONTO Chapman & Oxley, Architects

tecture which owes most of its charm to craftsmanship and not a little to historical associations. In all the Elizabethan work exhibited in this class craftsmanship was lacking and timbering was transparently sham. One of course feels sorry for the architect who is forced to design a cheapish house for a possibly sentimental client in this style beIt is interesting that two of the three awards should have certain of the characteristics of the early Ontario work. The first prize was designed, I am told, at the desire of the client, entirely on Ontario models. With so much to draw from I cannot understand the entrance porch, which is distinctly ecclesiastical, but it is well designed as



SECOND AWARD—DETAILS, DOMESTIC. FRONT ENTRANCE, LOWER SCHOOL OF RIDLEY COLLEGE, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

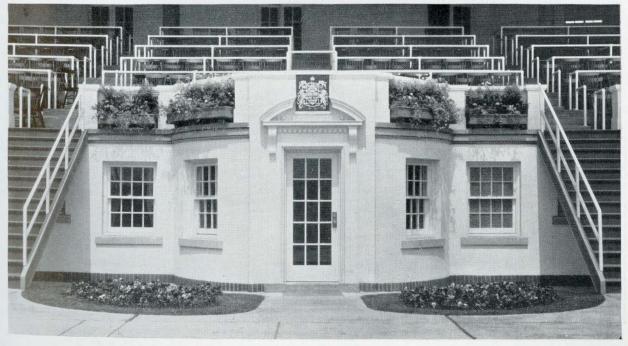
Marani, Lawson & Paistey, Architects

cause it cannot be done unless, like Mr. Somerville, one does one's own carving on real beams. There one strikes the true spirit of the period. The Georgian house has this advantage that it can be examined with delight if it be absolutely bereft of ornament and historical associations. On the other hand many of the Georgian houses shown had a bookish look that indicated a lack of sympathy with the style on the part of the designer.

indeed is the whole house. While this house is in masonry well trowelled with mortar, the house on Park Road by Mackenzie Waters is in brick of the late Ontario manner with red stock and yellow quoins. Mr. Lyle has a great regard for this treatment, and both he and Mr. Waters have certainly been more successful with it than our 19th century builders. It would be interesting to see the plan of this house which seems to fit the



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 $\label{eq:honourable} \begin{array}{ll} \text{HONOURABLE MENTION-DETAILS, DOMESTIC.} & \text{GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S BOX, ONTARIO JOCKEY CLUB, TORONTO} \\ & \textit{John M. Lyte, R.C.A., Architect} \end{array}$



FIRST AWARD—DOMESTIC GARAGES, STABLES AND GATEHOUSES. GARAGE, RESIDENCE OF F. W. KERR, TORONTO Henry J. Burden and G. Roper Gouinlock, Architects

site so admirably. I like Mr. Wilkes' house for Mr. C. A. Withers very much. While the lower windows might have been a shade higher, the squatness of the upper ones is very pleasing. There is a breadth of wall and a lightness to the cornice that is missing in many of the Georgian facades shown. Too often one can picture Banister Fletcher or "the orders" brought out and diligently studied in modules; a method that may produce a Field Museum but not a house under \$20,000.

The interior class under \$20,000 was disappointing. I think in most cases the blame is to be attached to the photographer in choosing his point of view. One could not give a prize to some chintz curtains and a part of a table however Jacobean, and most of the photographs would have been more correctly labelled "Details." I should particularly like to mention Mr. Martin Baldwin's stair in General Cartwright's house which was very interesting but hardly an interior. The same crit-



SECOND AWARD—DOMESTIC GARAGES, STABLES AND GATEHOUSES. STABLES FOR DR. HERBERT A. BRUCE, TORONTO Wickson & Gregg, Architects

icism could not be made of Mathers and Haldenby's interior of the Housser house which showed considerably more. It was all well detailed and in good taste.

The Exteriors over \$20,000 were not a large class and varied as much in size and type as the first and second awards show. Mr. Parker's house by Mathers and Haldenby (Plate, page 91) is a good country house built of local materials. It is essentially, I suppose, a summer place though the size of the chimney stack and the breadth of the breast would suggest it is not unoccupied in winter. Mr. Dyce Saunder's house for Dr. E. A. Morgan

Moorhouse and King for Mr. Gerald Larkin's house, and I think both the architects and the client should alike be congratulated on an exceedingly competent and scholarly design. It is charming in every detail.

Of the three honourable mentions given for interiors over \$50,000 the most interesting is Mr. Mackenzie Waters' Residence of Mr. R. B. Hickman (Plate, page 89). It is a liveable room combining good craftsmanship with a restraining hand and a fine taste. One would have liked a "looser' and less Magonigle like swag in the mantel, and the enrichment in the spandrels of the door has a



 $\begin{array}{c} {\rm HONOURABLE\ MENTION-APARTMENT\ HOUSES\ AND\ HOTELS,\ EXTERIOR.} & {\rm WINDSOR\ COURT,\ WINDSOR,\ ONTARIO} \\ {\it Craig\ \&\ Maditl,\ Architects} \end{array}$

is, with all its simplicity, a daring piece of design in this country. I don't know Mr. Dyce Saunders, or whether he hears the rumors which emanate from the clubs and kitchens (architects meet in kitchens in Toronto rather than in taverns) of this city, but certain members of the profession are but biding their time, and then, if the parapet has not been knocked over by the ice they will themselves break forth in the corniceless period of the 18th century. Some of the most delightful houses in England were done like this in Anne's time though with wider frames, and it will be interesting to see if the strength of ice and the necessity of heat in the gutter prove a myth.

In the class of house over \$50,000 the first award and Medal of Honor were given Messrs. George

Gothic air which is slightly jarring in an otherwise excellent room.

Only three Memorials were shown. John M. Lyle was given the first award for the Gage Memorial in which Mr. Lyle has made the most of an opportunity rarely given an architect today of designing a fountain which is large enough to dominate a park. One may stand in pensive mood and gaze into the basin of the Gage fountain and see reflected in the water all the spouting monstrosities in cast iron or terra cotta of thirty or forty years ago, and feel a certain pride in the achievement of our time. The pendulum of taste has taken a big swing. Mr. Eadie's Cenotaph is in a semi-modern style and its lines are not unpleasing. I cannot understand (if I see it rightly) why the swags have

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FIRST AWARD—COMMERCIAL GARAGES. A. D. GORRIE GARAGE, TORONTO Murray Brown, Architect



HONOURABLE MENTION—INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS. CROSSE & BLACKWELL BUILDING, TORONTO Chapman & Oxley, Architects



FIRST AWARD—OFFICE BUILDINGS, SMALL. LOWER ARCH BRIDGE OFFICE BUILDING Marani, Lawson & Paisley, Architects



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FIRST AWARD—SHOP FRONTS. SAMPSON-MATTHEWS BUILDING, TORONTO $Murray\ Brown,\ Architect$



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a greater projection on the side than on the front. There is something subtle there, I feel sure. One knows at any rate that the sword is there for all time. It actually dives into the masonry and comes

out below the date. It is a pity, rather, that something so amusing should happen just where Mr. Eadie would be most solemn. While these memorials were to the dead, the Princes Gates Memorial was to the living. Unless it was to the unhappy princes (or was it prince?) who were stifled in the tower. If the latter, Mr. Chapman is not worrying about it very much. For some reason we are supposed to be gay and skittish at Exhibitions and the Princes Gates are in keeping with that spirit. They are moreover imposing and impressive.

The church class was not a strong one. If what I said about Elizabeth architecture is true, it applies in very much greater measure to Gothic. There are three kinds of Gothic. The Gothic of the Middle Ages, the Gothic of Wyatt and Ruskin and modern Gothic. Goodhue once said, and he had as much money to spend as anybody today working in that style, that the Gothic of Chartres or Canterbury could not be reproduced in the

20th century. Very few people would be bold enough to express admiration for the Gothic of Ruskin though I have heard even Victoria College praised as a masterpiece. And today we have two kinds of Gothic which are therefore both modern in a sense. One is the Gothic in the manner of

Goodhue, Klauder and Sproatt which is distinctly modern, and the other is still largely Ruskinian or Gothic Revival. The one is lively and is still capable of development but the other has been

> dead many years and no amount of flogging will awaken it.

> Garages, a small class, were divided into commercial and private buildings and the two prizes given, a first in each case, were well deserved. Unquestionably one of the outstanding things in the show was Mr. Murray Brown's garage for Messrs. A. D. Gorrie Company. It is simple in its composition, ornament is sparingly used and the lettering is excellent. The charming bracket and hanging sign gained a prize in the detail class and may be seen in detail on a separate plate (Plate, page 87).

Quite delightful is Burden and Gouinlock's garage for Mr. F. W. Kerr in the class of private garages and stables, and the stables by Wickson and Gregg for Dr. Bruce fit in perfectly with their surroundings. It may seem odd and unfair to the stables to be in such a class but they were the only stables exhibited.

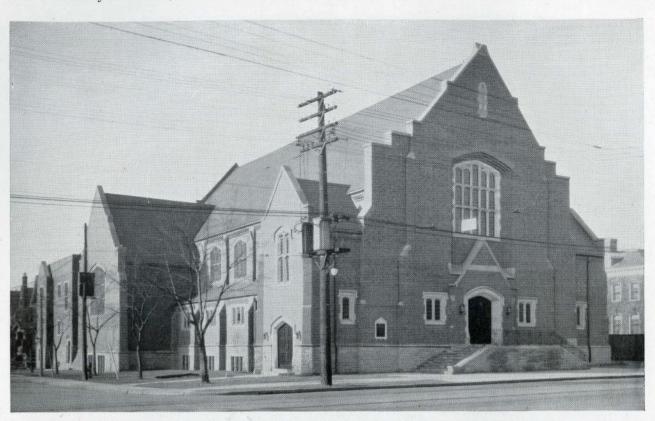
First award was given Sampson-Matthews building by Mr. Murray Brown

in the shop front class. The building has an interest apart from what is seen in photograph and that is in the skilful use of colour in keeping with the business of the occupants who, I believe, do colour printing.

The composition of Crosse and Blackwell's Building by Chapman and Oxley is very satisfactory. It



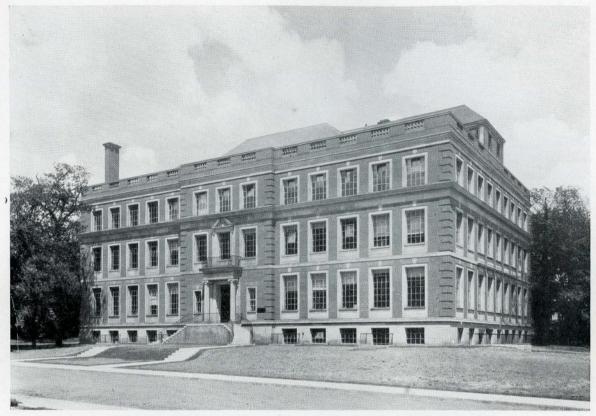
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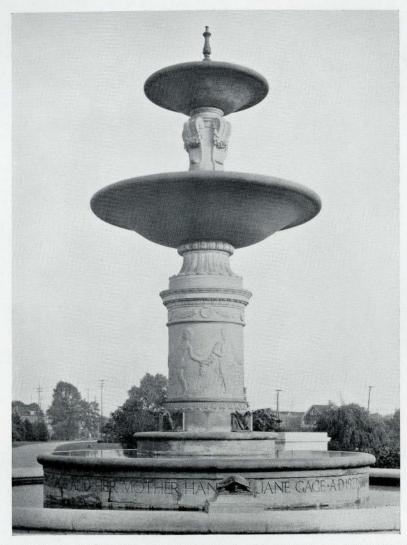
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FIRST AWARD—INSTITUTIONAL BUILDINGS. HYGIENE BUILDING, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO Mathers & Hatdenby, Architects



SECOND AWARD—INSTITUTIONAL BUILDINGS. LOWER SCHOOL OF RIDLEY COLLEGE, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO Marani, Lawson & Paisley, Architects



FIRST AWARD—MEMORIALS. GAGE MEMORIAL FOUNTAIN, HAMILTON, ONTARIO $John\ M.\ Lyte,\ R.C.A.,\ Architect$



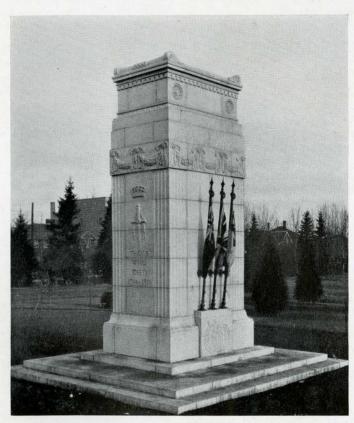
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is a plan one would like to see—in fact if it were not too much trouble for the exhibitors, a key plan attached to their photographs would add tremendously to the interest of the whole show. I have just space to mention the same firm's Sterling Tower Building and the small office building of Marani and Paisley at Niagara and Craig and Madill's Windsor Court Apartments. These were all in small classes of two to four exhibits. The Dominion Bank, Bleury Street, Montreal is more interesting as a detail and corner treatment than as a composition (Plate, page 85). I like the facade to the cornice immensely, but the high attic storey with balustrade seems too high. It would have been better without the balustrade.

Lastly we have two important buildings in the Institutional Class. The Hygiene Building, University of Toronto and the Lower School of Ridley College. The usual criticism one hears of the former is that the windows are crowded. They are of

course lecture rooms and laboratories and light was essential, but while one might feel that about the front, there is something masculine and substantial in the facade. Ridley has not the swagger of the Hygiene Building, in fact it seems just a little too modest. The plan may render it impossible, but the projection of the central feature and arched entrances to the quad would give a shadow which would help the front. The lantern is exceedingly happy as is most of the detail. They are both very good buildings and the jury did not come to a conclusion as to their positions without a great deal of careful consideration.

In conclusion I would suggest that in future exhibitions we should have fewer classes, and that only two awards be given in each class. The absence of work from two or three important firms in the city left a gap which we hope will be filled next year.



SECOND AWARD—MEMORIALS. THE CENOTAPH, CALGARY, ALBERTA
Arthur H. Eadie, Architect

Proceedings of the Twenty-second General Annual Meeting of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada—Continued

be of great value to architects, for it is making very important investigations on installations, etc.

MR. MARKUS-If it is the wish of the meeting that we publish these articles in The Journal, I can assure you we will do everything we can to secure the reports and publish them.

MR. PARRY-I feel sure that Mr. Govan would be only too pleased to furnish THE JOURNAL with

notes of what is going on.

Mr. HAROLD SMITH-There are tests of certain materials being made by the Civil Service Department in connection with their contemplated use in I wonder if these investigations public works.

could be made of use to the architects?

Mr. Parry-As a matter of fact, these tests for building materials are carried on under the auspices of the Department of Public Works, and Mr. Viens is the principal. I am sure if any architect wished to get information of any sort, the Department of Public Works would be only too pleased to furnish it to them. The architects' department is having Mr. Viens address the Architects' Club and I will make it a point to have it reported verbatim and furnish it to THE JOURNAL.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CODE OF ETHICS AND CODE OF COMPETITIONS

The report of the committee on code of ethics and code of competitions was thereupon presented

by Mr. S. T. J. Fryer, as follows:

In preparing this draft of proposed revisions to the code of ethics or principles of practice, the code of architectural competitions and the scale of professional charges, your committee has gone fairly thoroughly into the codes and professional charges of the Provincial associations and institutes, of the Royal Institute of British Architects and the American Institute of Architects. Those clauses which seemed best in each have been taken and suggested for incorporation in the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada's revised codes and charges.

Attention has been paid to the fact that Provincial laws control in several particulars. It is noted that certain clauses are general and identical in all Provincial codes and charges, either through custom or law. Your committee has endeavoured to word these suggested revisions so they may be applicable to the whole of Canada. It is respectfully recommended that copies of these draft revised codes and scale of charges be forwarded to the several Provincial associations and institutes

for their consideration.

(Signed) S. T. J. FRYER, Convenor.

THE CHAIRMAN—In going into this we are again getting into territory where Provincial associations might say "hands off." We want, however, to see if it is not possible to have the provinces harmonize their codes and scale of fees.

Competitions are something that are often participated in by different men from the various The Institute has several times provinces. been asked to adjudicate on a competition, and we, as an Institute, should not ask one of our members to officiate unless it is conducted according to a code which we can accept.

I would suggest that we circulate this to the different Provincial associations, ask them to appoint a committee and send it back and see if next year we cannot pass on something that can be adopted by us as well as by the Provincial associations.

Mr. Philip J. Turner—Will the proposed scale of charges clash with the scale of charges in the Province of Quebec. Our scale of minimum charges is a legal document. We in Quebec would like to bring our scale of charges in line with those of Ontario, but we have been before the Government so many times that we thought we had better hold back a little longer.

The Chairman—We have an idea that if we could establish a 6% fee in the courts of the other provinces it would help Quebec. There have been a number of cases already in the Ontario courts where they have accepted it without any question.

It was moved by Mr. Fryer and duly seconded: That the report as submitted by the committee on the code of ethics and code of architectural competitions be handed to the council for the necessary action.—Carried.

REPORT ON STANDARD FORMS OF CONTRACT

MR. HERBERT E. MOORE gave the following progress report on the standard forms of contract:

Following the approval of your executive committee of our recommendation regarding legal advice in connection with the preparation of data and presentation of our case, I arranged with Mr. Saunders of the firm of Geary, Saunders & Dyke, to go over the forms of contract submitted by the Canadian Construction Association, and also the list of revisions to these forms prepared by your committee. After several conferences with Mr. Saunders, in which we went over our list of revisions and the comments thereon received from Colonel Cape and Mr. Carswell, representing the Canadian Construction Association, we have prepared a further revised list and reply to Colonel Cape's comments. These will be mailed to Mr. Jackson within two or three days, following which, I hope to arrange a conference between Mr. Jackson and their solicitor and Mr. Saunders and myself, at which we hope to straighten out the few differences of opinion that remain between us.

During our study of this matter we thought it necessary and advisable to go over copies of existing forms of the various Provincial associations in Canada, the form of the American Institute of Architects, and the proposed draft form now being considered by the Royal Institute of British Architects and the General Building Industry of the British Isles.

While the form submitted by the Canadian Construction Association is not ideal frem our standpoint, we thought it advisable to reach an agreement if possible, but we would much prefer a form drafted by the Institute along the lines suggested by Mr. Saunders, which includes many points taken from the Royal Institute of British Architects' draft and the existing Provincial forms.

It is not to be expected that a general form of contract can be prepared that will meet the requirements of every specific case, and in the case of the cost plus form, I feel that it will only serve as a model for specific cases.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) HERBERT E. MOORE.

THE CHAIRMAN—Can Mr. Moore illustrate some of the objections.

Mr. Moore-There were a number of minor things. One of the principal points under discussion refers to the "architect's decision being final and binding." That is one matter I would like an expression of opinion on from this meeting. We had originally thought to insert a clause that the architect's decision regarding the interpretation of the plans and specifications should be final without recourse to arbitration. Now it has been pointed out that while that might be all right for a specific contract, it would be pretty difficult to get it through in a general form. Builders have pointed out from time to time that such a clause, in the hands of an unscrupulous architect, would affect them very seriously, and in discussing the matter with our solicitor—he is relying really on the advice of Mr. Wickson and myself—he pointed out that from his standpoint he does not think there would be any harm in leaving it open to arbitration. We do seriously contend that all matters subject to arbitration should be arbitrated when the building is erected and not during construction, and I think it might be helpful to have an expression of opinion from those present.

THE CHAIRMAN—Were there not a number of instances in the form submitted where an attempt was made to cut down the architect's authority?

MR. Moore—We went pretty thoroughly over the draft form now being submitted by the R. I. B. A. for consideration and we find it, generally speaking, a very fair form. What they will do with it eventually, I can't say; but the draftsmanship of it is very good as compared with the one submitted by the builders, and if we were free to suggest an entirely different form I think it would be one based on the lines of the R.I.B.A. Our instructions, however, are to meet the committee of the builders and come to an agreement, if we can. Beyond that one arbitration clause, I don't think there are many serious differences between us.

Mr. Philip J. Turner—Would this clash at all with the Contractor's 5-year Liability in the French Law?

Mr. Moore—I must confess, we are not very familiar with that. Would you give us some information about that?

Mr. Turner—Some agreements exonerate the builder from liability after a certain time—12 months or so; but we can't do that under the French law.

Mr. J. H. Craig—Might I ask Mr. Moore what the provision of the R.I.B.A. is with regard to arbitration?

Mr. Moore—It is open; everything apparently is open to arbitration.

Mr. P. E. Nobbs—That form, I may mention, has, I understand, little chance of going through, and there is dissatisfaction with it in many quarters on the ground that it gives away too much.

Mr. Craig—What was the provision in the old form, may I ask, Professor Nobbs?

Mr. Nobbs—Arbitration afterwards, except in a matter involving payment.

Mr. Moore—For the information of the meeting I will read our solicitor's draft of the clause in question.

"... under this contract or as to its construction, then the architect shall determine such dispute or difference by a written decision given to the contractor.

"The said decision shall be final and binding on the parties unless the contractor within fourteen days of the receipt thereof by written notice to the architect disputes the same; in which case, or in case the architect for fourteen days after a written request to him by the owner or the contractor fails to give a decision as aforesaid such dispute or difference shall be referred to the arbitration and final decision:

"(1) of . . .

"(2) If no person is named or (if named) failing whom for any reason then of such arbitrator as may be mutually agreed upon by the parties hereto; or

"(3) If no such person is agreed upon or (if agreed upon) failing whom for any reason then of a board of arbitrators appointed as follows:

'The contractor and owner shall each appoint one arbitrator and such arbitrators shall appoint a third arbitrator. A party who has not appointed an arbitrator after the other party has appointed one, shall do so within two days after notice in writing from such other party. If the arbitrator of either party shall fail to proceed with the consideration of the matters in question within three days after being requested in writing by the arbitrator of the other party to do so, the latter if a third arbitrator has not been appointed, shall be at liberty to act as a sole arbitrator and his decision shall be final and binding, or the other two arbitrators, if a third arbitrator has been appointed, may forthwith appoint an arbitrator in lieu of the one who has failed to proceed as aforesaid and the decision of two of such three arbitrators shall be final and binding.

"Providing that in regard to all disputes or differences relating to the intent and meaning of the general drawings, the detail drawings and the specifications, to the quality and kind of materials or to the work required thereby, save where an immediate arbitration is required by the architect or agreed upon by the parties hereto, arbitration proceedings shall only be permissible under this clause after completion or alleged completion of the contract work or determination or alleged determination of this contract."

This arbitration clause has been the subject of a great deal of discussion between us. I originally held that the architect's decision should be final and binding.

Mr. Markus—May I mention that the Canadian Construction Association would like the Institute to take prompt action in this matter,

so that new forms can be printed without delay. They have assured us that they will be very glad to do everything possible to withdraw the present forms which we consider objectionable, providing we have something else to take their place. this meeting does not give the necessary authority to put the amended forms into force, it means that we will have to delay action for another year and that would be serious as far as the Canadian Construction Association is concerned.

Mr. Moore-Our solicitor has advised us to go slow. He thinks, in view of the fact that it is to be a general form, it ought to have as much thought as can be put into it. We have taken a lot of time going through the various Provincial Forms, and he suggested that I make a progress report of this nature and point out the necessity of giving careful study to the matter, rather than rushing it through too quickly.

It was moved by Mr. H. E. Moore, seconded by Mr. R. A. Frechet, that:

When the Institute representatives report the satisfactory conclusion of negotiations with the Canadian Construction Association on the contract forms, and this form then meets with the approval of the Provincial associations, that the executive of the Institute may notify the building industries of their acceptance. Carried.

CREATION OF FELLOWSHIPS

Mr. Markus—At the last annual meeting of the Institute, the executive committee was empowered to have the charter amended so as to provide for the creation of fellowships in the Institute. After consideration by a legislative committee, the executive submitted the following proposed amendments to the members of the council and to the Provincial associations for their approval:

Section 4, and Sub-section (2) of Section 5 of the charter of the Institute as amended by Act of Parliament on April 1st, 1912, shall be deleted and the following substituted:

Membership of the Institute shall consist of associates, members and fellows, all of whom shall be members in good standing of a Provincial architects' association, recognized by the Institute; also honorary members and honorary fellows.

The Institute may, by by-law, make regulations governing the membership of the Institute.

The following abbreviations or letters shall designate the respective classifications of membership in the Institute:

A.R.A.I.C.—Associate of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

M.R.A.I.C.—Member of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

F.R.A.I.C.—Fellow of the Royal Architectural

Institute of Canada. Hon. M.R.A.I.C.—Honorary Member of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

Hon. F.R.A.I.C.—Honorary Fellow of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

Mr. P. E. Nobbs—With reference to that, I have a definite duty to perform at the request of the president of the council of the P.Q.A.A.

I move that the following be incorporated in the record:

In acceding to the principle of instituting a body of fellows, the P.Q.A.A. records the fact that in recognizing the qualifications of members of other Provincial societies seeking admission to the P.Q.A.A., only qualification based on examinations of equal standing with their own can be taken into consideration. Seconded by Philip J. Turner.

Mr. Markus—Does that come in, in connection with the proposed amendments to by-laws?

Mr. Nobbs-No, the P.Q.A.A. has acceded to the principle of fellowship, but as far as the P.Q.A.A. is concerned, legally they can't recognize it for purposes of admission and desire that made clear.

Motion above was then put to the meeting and was Carried.

THE CHAIRMAN—Are there any other questions in regard to the scope of the amendment to the charter which we have before Parliament.

MR. Nobbs-Gentlemen, the next point I have to make is regarding a point of order. Council and the executive obtained from a general meeting authority to amend its charter with a view to creating a body of fellows. The instruction is with regard to fellows only. Notwithstanding the fact that the provinces may have concurred, in subsequent action of the council, I maintain the council were out of order in seeking to create, not only fellows, but also associates.

Furthermore, I wish to be allowed to state arguments against our incorporating the words, "associates and members," in contra-distincton to one another in this connection. If one of our seven associations chooses to call its lower grade "associates" (the Royal Institute of British Architects calls a high grade "associates"), and its higher grade "members," that is no reason why the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada should proceed to differentiate between members in other associations. It is for the associations to divide their members in any way they deem proper. You propose making a distinction between those members of the Province of Quebec Association who have been members for longer or shorter

I have only two points to raise with regard to this amendment to the charter. I would prefer to see "associate" struck out, and the proposal amended to deal only with members and fellows. Then, again, are we not going rather far by prescribing letters for associates, honorary members and honorary fellows instead of making honorary fellows only.

THE CHAIRMAN—The situation that caused the amendment to take the form it now has is largely this: we now have members in the Institute by reason of their being members in the Provincial associations. We cannot deprive them of that. The first idea was to have only associates and fellows of the Institute, but as this would have meant asking the present members to relinquish their membership, it was thought that the simplest way would be not to disturb the present membership, but instead, have those men coming into the associations hereafter come into the Institute as associates, and then, after five years, be advanced to members. When this plan was formulated we asked all the councillors and Provincial associations for their comment and endorsation of it. We received sufficient endorsation to justify our putting it into the hands of a solicitor, and asking him to have legislation procured. Now, it is entirely up to this meeting to say as to whether or not we have pursued the most logical way in dealing with the membership.

Mr. Nobbs—If there is an affection for the word "associate," I would say cut out the word "members." I would prefer, however, to cut out

associates.

THE CHAIRMAN—If, as Mr. Nobbs suggests, we remove the word "associates" and "honorary members" from the amendment to the charter, then the clause would read:

"Membership of the Institute shall consist of members and fellows, all of whom shall be members in good standing of a Provincial architects' association, recognized by the Institute; also honorary fellows."

Mr. J. H. Craig—Is this bill now before Parliament? If so, it is going to be awkward to make

any further changes.

THE CHAIRMAN—It would come before the Committee of the House and that committee could make an amendment at the suggestion of our solicitor. There is no difficulty in handling

that part of it.

MR. PHILIP J. TURNER—As the R.A.I.C. is affiliated with the R.I.B.A., I am afraid that the use of the term "associate" would give a wrong impression. Associate in the R.I.B.A. means the man who has had the best education, while the same term under our proposed amendments would mean junior membership.

Mr. Markus—I want to make it clear that associate membership in the Institute will not affect our present members. It will affect only those men who become members of a Provincial association after the amending of the charter. These so-called junior members will be called associate members of the Institute until such time as their Provincial association recommends them for full membership in the Institute.

It was moved by Percy E. Nobbs, seconded by Philip J. Turner:

That we delete from the amendment to the charter the word "associate" and omit reference to "honorary members."
—Carried.

It was moved by J. H. Craig, seconded by B. Evan Parry:

That the charter amendments as amended today be adopted by this meeting.

—Carried.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

THE CHAIRMAN—The amendment of our charter requires certain new by-laws to regulate the membership, but, as we cannot pass by-laws until after the charter is amended, the logical thing to do is to have the executive, or a special committee on by-laws, deal with the whole question.

Mr. Nobbs—Of course, the by-laws require revision now, in accordance with the suggested

change in the charter. There is no provision for fees from fellows. Now, the R.I.B.A. has been handing out these honors, and the first thing the recipients do is to pay about \$50, and thereafter they pay 5 guineas a year. We have heard a tale of woe that we have not sufficient income. There have been suggestions how to limit the number of fellows. Here is the way to limit them. Make the initiation fee for fellows \$50 and the annual dues \$10.

MR. MARKUS—Is it not possible for the meeting here today to discuss the proposed changes in by-laws in principle and then give the executive committee or council direction to put them into effect.

Mr. Nobbs—According to our by-laws they must be approved by an annual general meeting.

THE CHAIRMAN—I think it advisable that we should discuss the amended by-laws as drafted by the executive committee. They read as follows:

Section 2 of the by-laws of the Institute adopted September 5th, 1924, shall be deleted and shall have the following substituted therefor:

Associate Members: Shall be those admitted to membership in the Provincial associations on and after the passing of the amendments to the charter.

Members: Shall be those with the status of membership in the Provincial associations at the time of the passing of the amendments to the charter, and those admitted to the Provincial associations after the passing of the amendments to the charter, who, after five years of membership in the Provincial associations, are recommended by the executive committee of the Provincial associations to the executive committee of the Institute.

Fellows: Fellowship in the Institute shall be conferred by the council of the R.A.I.C. Nominations for fellowship shall be made by the council of the Provincial association of which the nominee is a member, or by the executive of the Institute.

Evidence and illustrations of work executed shall be submitted together with the nomination.

A favourable vote of at least two-thirds of the council of the Institute by letter ballot shall be required for election to fellowship.

Fellowship in the Institute shall not exceed onethird of the total number of members and fellows.

Such persons who are qualified for membership under the proposed amended charter and who previously held the title of fellow under the old charter, shall be entitled to fellowship in the Institute.

Honorary Fellows: Shall be those recommended by the council of the Institute and elected at the annual meetings by a majority vote.

Surrender of Privileges: Any member who ceases to retain his good standing in a Provincial association, automatically loses his good standing and privileges in the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, and thereby forfeits his right to use the abbreviation or letters designating his standing in the R.A.I.C., and shall, within six months of receiving official notification of his disqualification, return his certificate as member or fellow. Failing to return such certificate he shall be liable to be constrained by legal action of the Institute to surrender his certificate.

After some discussion the first two clauses were eliminated and it was suggested that Section 4 of the present charter, reading, "The following persons only, in addition to those who are already members of the Institute, shall be members thereof, namely, the members of the Provincial architectural associations throughout Canada recognized by the Institute," be substituted therefor.

The executive secretary then read the several suggestions received from the Provincial associations with reference to the proposed by-laws.

THE CHAIRMAN—As nothing can be done with the by-laws at this meeting, except to review them, I would suggest that the matter be referred to the incoming council.

It was moved by Mr. Chaussé, seconded by Professor Wright:

That this whole matter be referred back to the council to frame by-laws for next annual meeting.

—Carried.

PROPOSED INCREASED BUDGET TO PERMIT EXPANSION OF THE INSTITUTE'S ACTIVITIES

The executive secretary was requested to read that portion of the executive committee's report dealing with the proposed budget, which stated that a copy of the proposed budget had been sent to the members of the council and to the Provincial associations for their consideration, and that it had been given favourable consideration by almost all of the associations.

The proposed budget was then read by the executive secretary, which was as follows:

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Annual Meeting:		
Expenses of annual meeting, steno- graphic services, committee reports, banquet tickets for guests, etc	\$400.00	
Mileage for one delegate from each Provincial association to convention (Montreal), including berth and meals		
en route: 1 from Maritime Provinces \$49.45 1 from British Columbia 240.05		
1 from Alberta		
1 from Ontario		
	\$792.15	\$ 1,192.15
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES:		, 1,1,2,1,0
Salary for executive secretary\$ Secretary's disbursements, including	1,000.00	
postage, telegrams, telephone, etc Mileage and hotel expenses for members of the executive to attend 10 monthly	125.00	
meetings	307.50	
SPECIAL COMMITTEES:		1,432.50
R.A.I.C. Examining Board: Travelling expenses of members to		
annual meeting in Montreal	\$216.05	
Printing—Examination papers, etc	100.00	216 05
Committee on Forms of Contract:		316.05
Legal expenses	\$100.00	
LEGISLATION:		100.00
Legal fees, etc., re amendment to charter.	\$700.00	700.00
Institute Activities:		700.00
Headquarter's expense	\$200.00	
Printing and Stationery	300.00 25.00	
Contingencies	100.00	
		625.00

R.A.I.C. JOURNAL: 631 members' subscriptions at \$2.00\$ 27 honorary members and associates at \$2.00	54.00	1,316.00
Total Estimated Expenditures	\$	5,681.70
ESTIMATED INCOM R.A.I.C. Examining Board: Examination fees (estimated), 25 at \$25.00	E \$625.00	\$625.00
Pro Rata Contribution at \$8.00: 26 Alberta	\$208.00 736.00 352.00 200.00	9023.00
174 Ontario 228 Quebec 42 Šaskatchewan	1,392.00 1,824.00 336.00	5,048.00
Total Estimated Income		5,673.00

Mr. Markus informed the meeting that the Ontario Association of Architects, the Architectural Institute of British Columbia and the Manitoba Association of Architects had agreed to increase their pro rata contribution to \$8.00, the latter two associations having increased their membership fee to \$25.00 per year in order to meet the increase. Also, that the Alberta Association of Architects, the Saskatchewan Association of Architects and the Maritime Association of Architects had agreed to increase their pro rata contribution to \$5.00. The president of the P.Q.A.A. advised the Institute that it could not see its way clear to increase its contribution.

Mr. R. A. Frechet, President, Maritime Association of Architects: We did not want to increase our contribution to \$8.00 because we did not have representation at our meeting from one of our provinces. But since then, I understand they have agreed to the full amount.

MR. PHILIP J. TURNER-May I just give a little explanation. The Province of Quebec Association feel rather badly that they are in the minority on this, but there are a few extenuating circumstances which may explain their stand. I think I can speak with some authority, having been treasurer for four or five years. The principal difficulty with us is meeting our own expenses; for five years we have run behind a little, averaging from \$200 to \$300 per year. Our principal expense has been legal expenses. Three years ago, I believe, we went to the legislature to see if we could get our 10-year liability reduced, which we did to five years. The expense in connection with this amounted to approximately \$4,000, of which the builders footed \$2,000 and the engineers \$1,000. But in order to meet that expense and also our deficits for four to five years we appealed to all our members, and they came along and subscribed quite handsomely, something like \$3,500. So that you see we have appealed to our members quite extensively. We have now a further important change of charter before the Quebec Parliament. We are not at all sure what it is going to cost us, but it may run into thousands again. How can we go to our members under those circumstances? That is the trouble.

THE CHAIRMAN—Have you not got a rest account? It seems to me in the notice I received,



SOME CARICATURES BY ARTHUR LISMER, A.R.C.A. OF PROMINENT GUESTS AND MEMBERS AT THE ANNUAL DINNER OF THE INSTITUTE

it showed assets in rest account of quite a few thousand dollars.

Mr. Turner-We have \$2,500 in our reserve account, but it is not good financing to draw on the capital.

THE CHAIRMAN—What is the use of capital, if there is work to be done and you are leaving the

work undone and banking the money?

MR. TURNER-The council, as much as they would like, do not see their way clear to come up to this \$8 quota. I feel that if we can get this bill through Parliament all our members will be feeling very much better and will be more inclined to pay a higher fee.

MR. B. EVAN PARRY asked which of the Institute's activities would have to be suspended

if the full amount was not obtained.

THE CHAIRMAN—We would immediately run into a deficit.

Mr. Chausse suggested that members be asked for a \$5 personal subscription to make up the deficit.

Mr. Somerville-Would it be possible to

arrange some way of financing Quebec's share?
MR. NOBBS—What are the annual fees of the

different Provincial associations?

Mr. Markus—Alberta \$15.00; British Columbia \$25.00; Manitoba \$25.00; Maritimes \$15.00 Ontario \$25.00; Quebec \$15.00; Saskatchewan \$15.00.

Mr. Frechet—While the Maritime association has set the fee at \$15.00, they have the promise of another \$10.00 for special fund for legislation.

MR. MARKUS-I would like to point out that in addition to the deficit reported by the treasurer at the end of 1928, there are a number of expenditures incurred since then which will have to be paid without delay. Something definite should be done today, and I would suggest that the council be given some direction so that it will be in a position to pay its immediate liabilities.

THE CHAIRMAN-Why not ask for the \$3.00 contribution at once so that we can finance until further consideration has been given and the pro rata has been set?

Mr. Nobbs-There is one little matter with respect to this which I would suggest be discussed and that is how far uniformity of contribution is Can we establish the principle that until all the provinces are willing, we cannot raise the rate? If we can get Quebec to agree, we can now raise to \$5.00. All except Quebec have agreed to \$5.00, and some to more.

It was moved by Mr. P. E. Nobbs, seconded by Mr. R. A. Frechet:

That in view of the correspondence received not being unanimous in its endorsation of the \$8.00 per capita contribution, we recommend to council to place the assessment at an amount not exceeding \$5.00 for 1929, and that a full statement of the situation be forwarded to the associations.

MR. MARKUS-The necessity of an increase in the pro rata contribution or the adoption of other means of increasing the revenue of the Institute should be evident to all of us. I feel very strongly and I think with every right-having become fully acquainted with the affairs of the Institutethat the central body of architects here in Canada should mean as much to its members as other national bodies do to theirs. Our Institute is working under very severe handicaps, and one of these is lack of sufficient revenue. After all, if we are to function in Canada in a somewhat similar way to that of the R.I.B.A. in England or the A.I.A. in the United States, then we must put our house in order and do some of the things which they do. The executive can accomplish much during the coming year, but without funds it will be impossible.

Mr. Turner-The R.A.I.C. cannot expect to do the big things the R.I.B.A. and the A.I.A. are doing, in view of our small membership, and then, look at the distances we are apart! The item of travelling expenses alone is a severe obstacle.

Mr. J. H. Craig—We can never hope to be a national institution functioning in any proper way unless we can make it possible for at least one delegate from each province to attend the annual meeting. I think that is the most essential item of the whole budget. We can make the members in the outlying provinces feel that the Institute means something to them if they can have a representative come down here and tell us of their difficulties and also take part in the discussions.

Mr. Nobbs-It is in the common interest that the far-away delegates should have facilities for attending.

The motion by Mr. Nobbs, seconded by Mr. Frechet was then put to the meeting and—Carried.

R.A.I.C. EXAMINING BOARD

THE CHAIRMAN—While there has been some correspondence between the members of the board, the results, I am sorry to say are not very satisfactory. The Toronto and Montreal members of the board met once in Montreal and discussed the matter as a group. Several phases of the scope of the committee were discussed and as there is no final report, I will ask Professor Wright to outline the various phases and ideas that were put forward by the committee.

Professor Wright—I might say that at the meeting in Montreal there was considerable discussion as to whether there should or should not be an examination conducted by the R.A.I.C., and I think the letter that was sent to the executive by Professor Beaugrand-Champagne contains a pretty fair statement of the feeling of the meeting.

Professor Wright thereupon quoted from the letter as follows:

"The meeting from the start took a quite unexpected turn, inasmuch as having asked the members present to express their opinion as to how we could arrive at more uniformity without sacrificing acquired rights, Messrs. Traquair and Maxwell declared they were both opposed to any activity of the R.A.I.C. along the line of qualifying examinations. Membership in the R.A.I.C. they stated could not be gained otherwise than through the Provincial associations. Although I was disappointed, I thought it was better to take advantage of what good there was in the scheme suggested by Mr. Maxwell. The meeting also took a turn in the discussion as to the title of fellowship in the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

It may be claimed, and perhaps with justice, that we had no right to take that step. I feel as I did at the last meeting of this Institute that while educational matters lie entirely within the scope of the Provincial societies, that we still might have a general examining board, the main duty of which would be to set a series of examination papers on subjects agreed upon and that these papers might be used as the basis of examination in any province that so wished to use them. They would also form the basis of an examination in those districts where there is no Provincial organization, and that there the board of the R.A.I.C. might function to the full. By means of such a set of examination papers a programme of study will be suggested, tending to establish something in the way of a general standard. The reading of these papers, of course, might be done by the architectural associations in the various provinces.

If we set a certain standard it would not necessarily mean uniformity in detail, but it would not be very long before it would, and we would have the same confidence in the examination in Manitoba that they would have in the Maritime Provinces. We will never get anywhere until we do set a standard, which we as a profession in the Dominion of Canada, should live up to. I like the R.I.B.A. examinations personally and I see no reason why we should not have a standard just as high as theirs, and I do not see any reason why we should not raise our standards just as

they have raised theirs.

The objection is made: How are these candidates to obtain their training in order to prepare themselves for that examination? I do not know that that concerns us. We can recommend as an Institute that they attend some university; we can't insist on it. The R.I.B.A. does not insist on it. It does not provide the means, but it provides the examination which provides the standard, and then let the candidate do the best he can under the circumstances in which he finds himself. If he is able to attend the university, well and good; if he is not and can work up to this standard, let us accept him, no matter where he comes from.

Then I say, Mr. President, let us take steps immediately to let the world know the minimum standard we will accept, and the only way we can do it is to set that standard, and I would suggest that immediate steps be taken in some way to get this work started.

MR. PERCY E. NOBBS-I am sure we all endorse a great deal of what Professor Wright has said as to the spirit in which to deal with this matter. The first point is this: has the R.A.I.C. any right to interfere in examinations at all without it being so stated on its charter? Some of us feel that we do not need to have a charter amendment on this question of examinations. Others feel we would have to. Assuming we would need a charter amendment, what would happen? A charter amendment for this Institute touching examinations would be opposed in Parliament. I am quite satisfied that you could not get authority from Ottawa to run an examination board. But is that necessary? Is there anything we can do towards establishing a standard without that. What is the actual situation? There are large areas in Canada in which there is difficulty as to the machinery for examinations. The Maritime Provinces are in line to have something in the way of legislation carrying examining authority

with it in the near future. The same with this Province of Ontario. Certain provinces where membership in the local association is very small would, we are told, feel it a great convenience to have an examining authority outside their own membership. One of the western provinces invited us to see what we could do in the matter, hence this discussion. Unfortunately, the committee mixed up the question of fellowships with their studies and did not get very far with the real question.

We have in the Province of Quebec an organization which is responsible to the public of that province, through the Provincial government for conducting examinations for entrance to the pro-We have the same situation in two or three other provinces where, we are told, there is a lack of facilities for examining. What is an examiner? He ought to be a person with a good deal of experience. I doubt very much whether a set of papers established by one authority and read by another authority would really work. Some of our friends in the West had it in mind to submit their candidates to an examining board, in which the candidates would have the fullest faith. I see nothing to prevent this Institute offering the suggestion to any association which would like its examining done for it, that it should apply to this or that other association, offer to pay it the fees and have the examining done. It is a very simple thing. Or the Provincial association concerned might select certain subjects and apportion them to the Ontario examiners, others, say, to the Quebec examiners, and if there is a real demand for it the thing will grow. I suggest, sir, that the same committee which has put in this abortive report might be continued in office, and that it investigate the possibility of our associations making use of the machinery in some other association. If that was found useful, I think it might ultimately work toward a broad standardization. But you can't force that standardization, not with the British North America Act in force.

THE CHAIRMAN—I am sorry there seems to be some misinterpretation of the whole work that was started last year. There is no attempt to desire any change in the charter. There is no attempt to force the examination on anybody. Will the executive secretary read the instructions to the examining board?

Mr. Markus (Quoting) — 'The resolution passed at the annual meeting providing for the appointment of an examining board was thoroughly discussed by the executive, as a result of which the following resolution was passed:

"Preamble

"Recognizing that a large number of men come into the practice of architecture without having university training, the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada is establishing an examining board which will give such persons an opportunity of taking examinations equal in their requirements to those of the architectural courses in Canadian universities. This will establish an educational basis for the admission of members to the Provincial associations and thus overcome the present difficulty of fixing an equitable basis for admission to these associations.

"The Examining Board

"The following members constitute the examining board: Chairman, Professor Beaugrand-Champagne, Ecole Des Beaux Arts, Montreal; Professor C. H. C. Wright, University of Toronto; Professor Ramsay Traquair, McGill University, Montreal; Professor A. A. Stoughton, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg; W. S. Maxwell, Montreal; S. P. Dumaresq, Halifax, N.S.

"Duties of the Board

"The duties of the board of examiners shall be as follows:

- "1. To formulate a scheme for the purpose of holding examinations and to tender the services of this board to the Provincial associations.
- "2. To prepare papers and arrange for the conduct of these examinations when requested by a Provincial association.
- "3. To examine papers and drawings and make awards.
- "4 To issue certificates to those who qualify through these examinations.
- "5. To set such fees for examinations as to defray expenses incurred by this board.
- "6. To make interim reports to the executive committee so that the members of the Institute can be kept informed."

THE CHAIRMAN—You see there is no question of coercion. We want to be of service to such sections of the country as require our service. When the examining board commenced to formulate the examinations, they seemed to have the idea that they should have something which would parallel the university course. If they were to continue in that way they would be running an opposition course to the university. This is furthest from our intention.

We should hold two examinations—an intermediate and a final. Those who wished to take them could do so by registering and paying the fee. That would be parallel to the Dominion Medical Council, which holds such examinations and many medical boards in the Dominion accept their certificates as qualification for the practice of medicine in the province. It is a direct parallel and it is an easy one to follow.

At the last meeting of the examining board, for some reason or other, they undertook to consider what should be the qualifications of fellows and members as outlined in our amendment to the charter. That is probably where the mix-up occurred. What the Institute should have is something that functions very much like the examining board of the R.I.B.A.—that a man who wants to qualify and get the certificate of the R.A.I.C. would present himself for examination. There would be quite a few from time to time who would wish to take the examinations and we could facilitate their being held. It would also enable those Provincial associations that do not have efficient boards to take advantage of the R.A.I.C. examining board.

Now, I can't see any difficulty in the matter at all. It is simply a matter of the board getting together, settling what is the requisite work to accomplish these examinations, and advertising the fact that we are prepared to hear from candi-

dates who wish to take them, and also let the Provincial associations know that there is such a board to serve them.

PHILIP J. TURNER—I am not quite clear as to where these examinations will lead you to. The Quebec Government look with a great deal of opposition upon anything like an outside interference with the charter that they have given in this matter of education. For instance, we do not recognize any architect coming into the province and not satisfying the requirements of our examinations. Even a student with his diploma from McGill University or from the Beaux Arts School has to further qualify in the local professional practice examination.

We have gone twice to Parliament recently, for an amendment to our act, and this last time if it comes into force—and we have good hopes that it will come into force—we shall be able to prevent anyone practising as an architect in the province unless he is a member of the P.Q.A.A. Now, what I want to know as a matter of information is: Will these examinations that you propose holding, entitle a man who has passed these examinations to call himself an architect and enable him to practise in Quebec?

THE CHAIRMAN—No.

Mr. Nobbs—Would it not be well to ask the examination board to continue its work?

THE CHAIRMAN—It will continue if this meeting will give it some direction. They evidently did not get sufficient direction last year to enable them to function properly.

Mr. Craig—I have a feeling that since this committee did not report as it was supposed to do, it is a very good time to discharge that committee. There are doubtless members of the committee who did everything they could do to advance this matter; but on the other hand, the issues were hopelessly confused. I learn with surprise that they did not deal with the matter of education at all at their meeting, but instead got it all mixed up with fellowships, etc. I would be in favour of changing the personnel. I am heartily in favour with what Professor Wright has had to say in this regard.

Mr. Markus—When the R.A.I.C. examining board was appointed last year the members commenced to communicate with one another as to what their ideas would be in connection with these examinations. Considerable study and thought was given by every single member of that committee, and in the correspondence which Professor Wright has in his hand, you will find some very valuable suggestions made by each member of that board, as to what form the examinations should take.

Professor Wright—We did put a lot of thought on the question. But I should say that what happened at the meeting in Montreal is just what has happened here. The two of our friends who represent conditions in the sister province, and for both of whom we have the utmost respect, as also for our sister institution in the Province of Quebec, seem to have the feeling—and possibly there is the same feeling in Ontario too—that this body would encroach on the rights and privileges of the various Provincial bodies. Now, there has never been in my mind anything

of that sort at all and the intentions are very nicely put in the executive committee's instructions to the board. I do not think that it will encroach on anybody's rights and it will be as free as the R.I.B.A.

Professor Wright moved, seconded by B. Evan Parry:

That the present board be discharged. -Carried.

It was thereupon moved by Percy E. Nobbs, seconded by J. H. Craig:

That the examining board be composed of the university professors who acted on the previous board, with Professor Wright as chairman, and with power to add to their number.

—Carried.

Professor Wright—Mr. President, you read to us what was expected of that board. That was from the executive committee. I wonder if we could not get that instruction from the body as a whole.

Mr. P. E. Nobbs—I suppose it is clear that this board will not examine anyone until the Institute has approved of some scheme brought forward.

It was then moved by Mr. Craig, seconded by Professor Wright:

That the board of examination shall be known hereafter as the committee on examination, and the committee is requested to formulate a scheme and report back to the executive, for the carrying out of the following:

- 1. To formulate a scheme for the purpose of holding examinations and to tender the services of this board to the Provincial associations.
- 2. To prepare papers and arrange for the conduct of these examinations when requested by a Provincial association.
- To examine papers and drawings and make awards.
- 4. To issue certificates to those who qualify through these examinations.
- 5. To set such fees for examinations as to defray expenses incurred by this board.
- 6. To make interim reports to the executive committee so that the members of the Institute can be kept informed.

 —Carried.

LECTURES ON HOSPITAL PLANNING

Mr. Parry—Some of you gentlemen know that I am associated with the Federal Department of Health, and among other things, it is my duty to travel from coast to coast, and occasionally advise on hospitals. My experience has been that only about 2% of the doctors know anything at all about hospital planning. I have taken up the matter with the Deputy Minister of Health, Dr. Amyot, and as a result I would like to submit this resolution to the meeting:

Whereas opinion has often been expressed, both at the meetings of the Provincial architectural associations, and the general meetings of this Institute, that it is desirable to help, by leadership and advice, wherever possible, along the line of phases of architecture incidental to

the best interests of the people of the Dominion, and whereas, time after time, opinion has been expressed by hospital superintendents, boards of trustees, and the medical profession generally, that courses upon hospital planning and the fundamental principles involved therein should be available at the universities and included in the curriculum of the medical course.

THEREFORE, it is moved that the R.A.I.C. make representation to the president of the Canadian Medical Association, which association has a hospital division, recommending that four lectures, each of one hour's duration, be given by architects qualified and versed in such hospitalization as is now under review, and included in the curriculum of the medical courses which obtain at the various universities, such lectures to cover the following sections of the subject, namely:

- Hospital planning, general principles including general conception, location, type of buildings, material and structural considerations.
- 2. Isolation hospitals, major quarantine hospitals and principles involved.
- Special hospitals, including tuberculosis, mental, etc.
- 4. Small community hospitals.

FURTHER, that this motion, if approved, be passed to the executive committee for the necessary action.

Seconded by Mr. W. L. Somerville.

Mr. Craig—I think that the suggestion is an excellent one. I may say that some years ago at a meeting of the O.A.A. a similar point was brought up with reference to ecclesiastical architecture, and some of our members gave lectures on this subject in the divinity colleges. I do think, however, that architectural students should also have the benefit of these lectures, and I would therefore be in favour of adding the following rider to the resolution:

And that an effort be made to make such lectures available to students in architecture.

Mr. Nobbs—As I am responsible for the course in planning at McGill University, I might mention that during the last twenty-five years hospitals have been used for the exemplification of the ordinary principles of planning. Different types of hospitals for different climates have been used for a long time at McGill University as a subject for the students to sharpen their wits on.

The great bulk of the recent hospitals erected in Canada are erected to meet the views of certain American organizations which are very vocal on the occasion of medical conferences. Over standardization of hospital work is at the bottom of much of the great cost of treating the sick in this country. There is only one way of reducing the building expense, and that is by encouraging competition among architects for economical plans. The doctors—the 2 per cent that have already been referred to as knowing something of it—are very largely responsible, in my opinion. I fancy that a great deal of good could be done if this organization would use its good offices, when

hospitals are on the carpet, to have them referred to competition.

Mr. Harold Smith-Mr. Nobbs has brought up a question that I think I am very familiar with, having studied hospital planning for fifteen years and having had charge of more hospital work than, I think, any other firm in Canada. may take the liberty, I want to say that I quite disagree with his suggestion of competitions for hospitals. A man that can make a pleasing plan and elevation may win the job, but the plan may not be fundamentally sound for that particular hospital.

On the other hand, as regards the fact that the modern hospital costs a lot of money, I may say that from our own experience we have made actual comparisons and found that the hospital that has been built by the architect who had little or no experience was the most extravagant, and not the one built by the firm that had made a study of that line. And in the one case, your hospital has every convenience and in the other it has a lot of equipment and no convenience.

MR. B. EVAN PARRY-I would like to ask Mr. Smith, if with the experience he has, he has not discovered the woeful lack of fundamental knowledge amongst the medical profession when discussing these plans with them. Do you not think it would be far better for them to be able to speak to you intelligently when you are discussing these plans with them?

MR. HAROLD SMITH-I cannot see how you can give the doctors anything that is going to be of great value to them in the few hours that you can give during their medical term. In other words, a little knowledge is a dangerous thing.

MR. B. EVAN PARRY—I happened to go through rather an important hospital quite recently, and needless for me to tell you that the Federal Department of Health has under its jurisdiction quite a lot of contagious disease institutions. Now, there are certain fundamental principles involved in dealing with these diseases, the technique as practiced by the doctors demands certain detail, both in the planning and fittings necessary to treat those diseases. I have found that many of our medical men are absolutely ignorant of what should be done to overcome or to comply with the technique which they know is necessary. Although we would give them only a few hours as students, we would have given them the information, from the architect's view, upon some of the things which are absolutely necessary, and Dr. Amyot thinks it will inspire them to go further and so help hospitalization throughout the Dominion.

Mr. Nobbs—If hospital competitions were more general, submitted, of course, for decision to competent experts, I am quite sure that the sharpening of wits in the matter of economy on the part of the competitors would result in giving what is wanted at the minimum of cost.

The motion proposed by Mr. Parry, with rider suggested by Mr. Craig, was thereupon put by the chairman and carried.

COLLECTION OF DUTY ON PLANS

MR. J. H. CRAIG-Mr. Chairman, there is an item mentioned in the executive committee's report dealing with the collection of duty on plans coming into Canada from other countries. seems to me that the proceedings of this convention should not terminate before that matter is given serious consideration. I believe, sir, that throughout the year you have been doing some very good work in collecting data covering specific cases; some of these cases, I believe, have been taken up with the minister in Ottawa, and I would like to hear the correspondence dealing with the matter, or a report as to what success has attended your efforts.

THE CHAIRMAN-I am sorry I have not the correspondence here. The correspondence really took place with Mr. Euler, the minister, before the last annual meeting. When I interviewed Mr. Euler and tried to put the case before him, he said that they could only deal with it in specific cases, and that if we could give definite information they would investigate it. I sent him a letter about a year ago giving him cases, some in Montreal, and others in Ontario. We have never heard anything from him further than just the formal reply.

There is a committee composed, I believe, of members of the boards of trade of Montreal and Toronto and the Manufacturers Association, organized as a part of a tariff committee, and they employ special investigators. The Government gives special facilities to these investigators and on two occasions, I have given one of their men a much longer list than I gave the Minister. I was assured that results would be comparatively easy to obtain, but for some unknown reason nothing seems to come from their efforts.

I have also been in touch with a special investigator of the national revenue of Canada. I gave him a list of a number of buildings being designed by foreign architects. He called in to see me some time ago and told me that he had investigated fourteen cases, the cheapest being a house costing about \$20,000, and that he had made recommendation to the Customs Department to seize these plans, but evidently nothing has been done.

Mr. Harold Smith—You referred to a large bank in Montreal. Would that duty be applicable to them? I understand their plans were done in

The Chairman—It is quite specific that the foreign architect must pay $22\frac{1}{2}\%$ of 2% of the cost of the building.

MR. J. H. CRAIG-While we may not get very far trying to get the Government to change its legislation with regard to duty, I don't think we should sit down and admit that we are beaten. I would therefore move:

That a committee be appointed by the incoming council to investigate all cases where plans of proposed buildings are brought into the country which are liable to duty and on which duty has not been paid; that this committee make a list as complete as possible of all such plans, with particulars, and that from time to time they be forwarded to the Minister of Customs at Ottawa for action; also that this committee should seek co-operation from any other national bodies that are working to the end that customs duties be collected; and that a complete report of the activities of this committee be presented at the next annual meeting

together with correspondence from the Minister of Customs relative to cases brought before him.

The motion was seconded by Harold J. Smith and carried.

OFFICIAL AND SALARIED ARCHITECTS

Mr. P. E. Nobbs—Arising incidentally out of a misunderstanding which occurred at the last annual meeting when I made a reference to our official and salaried members, and it was taken up as though I regarded them as being somehow of an order lower to that of the active independent practitioner. Now, it is not a question in my mind at all of higher or lower, but is a question of differences of responsibility, and I am very glad to see that the R.I.B.A. has recently been dealing with this same problem in that spirit.

Now, there are many matters in which the architect who is salaried or has an official appointment or is a public servant can support the independent practitioner-there are many matters in which the independent practitioner can support that class of architect. But there are certain matters in which their interests are essentially different; for example, with regard to certain questions of professional ethics which do not interest the official architect at all. I do not want to go into the matter in detail just now, but I feel that we might suggest to the incoming council the duty of making some study of this problem. You see everything we have in these Provincial charters and by-laws is in the interest of the independent practitioner. It is not a case of saying that the official architect, or the salaried architect, has no business in the same organization. It is a case of saying he has a place in that organization which requires some definition, as there are many matters for adjustment. I think one of the cases where the official and salaried architect can be enormously supported by the profession as a whole is in the matter of credit for his work. Some of the best work done in the world has been done by official architects and in the old days they used to get full credit for it, and I am sure they some-times suffer a certain hardship in this matter. Besides architects who are public servants, there is also an ever-growing class of architects attached to the great corporations. Now, they have their interests but they are not the same as the interests of the independent practitioner. I know this problem is being investigated and studied on the other side. I think we should study it here, otherwise we may be unduly influenced by the conclusions arrived at on the other side, which may not be wholly appropriate to our situation.

Mr. Nobbs thereupon moved, seconded by Mr. J. H. Craig:

That the professional problems of the official and salaried architects be studied by the incoming council.

Mr. B. Evan Parry—I am delighted to hear the manner in which Mr. Nobbs has spoken. I only regret that he did not go as far last year as he has gone today. If he had, it certainly would, have prevented a lot of acrimonious discussion and it certainly would have prevented a great deal of bad feeling by official architects in the government. I think that what he has proposed is

excellent, and I would go further and suggest that whatever committee is formed that some salaried and official architect sit in with it.

Mr. Nobbs—Certainly, they should be asked to state their case in all its bearings.

The motion was then put to the meeting and carried.

OBJECTIONABLE ADVERTISING

Mr. Nobbs brought to the attention of the meeting at this juncture an objectionable form of advertising which had appeared in certain newspapers, wherein an architect's photograph and a signed testimonial bore testimony to the merits of certain building materials. There was some discussion with regard to this, and it was moved by Mr. Nobbs, seconded by Mr. Frechet:

That this objectionable form of advertising appearing in some of the daily papers be referred to the council, with the request to take immediate action in communicating with the Provincial association whose members are concerned. —Carried.

RESOLUTION TO BE FORWARDED TO THE MAYOR OF TORONTO

Mr. Parry—I think it is the wish of this meeting that we frame a resolution which should be forwarded to the Mayor of Toronto based on Mr. Lyle's remarks at yesterday's luncheon. I notice that the press has given much prominence to them, but I think it should go in the form of a resolution from the Institute. I would therefore move:

That a resolution be framed by the council and forwarded to His Worship the Mayor, concerning the suggestions made by Mr. Lyle with reference to the matter of town planning, etc., in the city of Toronto.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Nobbs and carried.

EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION TO MR. HYNES

Mr. Turner—If I am in order, I would like, as a new comer, to offer a word of appreciation for the splendid work accomplished by our president during his term of office. The members of the council know better than I do what Mr. Hynes has done for the Institute. He has spared no time or trouble in furthering the good cause that we are all trying to encourage.

Mr. Nobbs—Gentlemen, the right time, I think, for showing our appreciation of our president's work during the last three years is, I think, at a larger gathering than this—the occasion of the annual banquet, when a fuller feeling and spirit will prevail, presenting a more adequate opportunity. We, of course, all associate ourselves with what Mr. Turner has said.

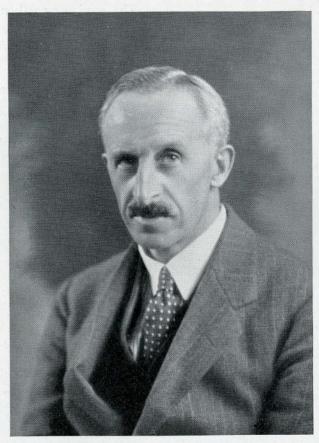
Mr. Hynes—I appreciate your expressions, gentlemen. I have enjoyed every minute of the office, and I hope the Institute will press on to much greater things.

VOTE OF THANKS

Mr. Chausse—I should like to propose a hearty vote of thanks to the following for their kindness and co-operation during the convention:

The Ontario Association of Architects; The Toronto Chapter of the Ontario Association of Architects; Mr. John Lyle; Mr. H. H. Stansfield; Mr. J. E. H. MacDonald, president of the Arts & Letters Club; Messrs. Ross & MacDonald,

architects of the Royal York Hotel; the local press; the technical press; the outgoing officers and members of the council; the local committee on arrangements; Mr. Fred Haines, the director of the Art Gallery.—Carried unanimously.



PERCY E. NOBBS. M.A., F.R.I.B.A., R.C.A.—PRESIDENT FOR 1929

OFFICERS ELECTED AND COMMITTEES APPOINTED FOR 1929

Following the general sessions of the Annual Convention, a meeting of the 1929 Council took place at which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

President—Percy E. Nobbs, Montreal.

First Vice-President—EDWARD UNDERWOOD, Edmonton.

Second Vice-President—Andrew L. Mercer, Vancouver.

Honorary Secretary—Alcide Chausse, Montreal. Honorary Treasurer—Gordon M. West, Toronto. Executive Secretary—I. Markus, Toronto.

Executive Committee—Percy E. Nobbs, chairman; Alcide Chausse, Gordon M. West, Eugene Payette, Philip J. Turner, Ernest Cormier, J. O. Marchand, W. S. Maxwell and I. Markus, secretary.

COMMITTEES

Committee on Forms of Contract—H. E. Moore, convenor; A. Frank Wickson and George T. Hyde.

Committee on Duty on Plans—J. P. Hynes, convenor; J. H. Craig, Murray Brown, E. L. Horwood, H. E. Moore and Gordon M. West

Committee on By-Laws—Members of the executive committee.

Committee on Examinations—Professor C. H. C. Wright, convenor; Professor A. Beaugrand-Champagne, Professor Ramsay Traouair and Professor A. A. Stoughton.

Committee on Research—B. Evan Parry, convenor.

Committee on Code of Ethics and Code of Competitions—Stanley T. J. Fryer.

Notes on the Convention

One of the features of the twenty-second annual general meeting was the Toronto Chapter exhibition of architecture and allied arts. Many fine compliments were paid to the Toronto Chapter for their excellent exhibition.

Mr. Herbert H. Stansfield, A.A.A., delivered an illustrated address on "Architecture and Craftsmanship" at the Art Gallery on Friday evening, February 22nd.

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Notes on the Convention-Concluded

At the luncheon tendered by the Ontario Association of Architects at the Art Gallery on Friday, February 22nd, John M. Lyle, R.C.A., F.R.I.B.A., delivered a very fine address on the modern movement in architecture. This will be printed in the April issue of The Journal.

Following the luncheon tendered by the Toronto Chapter, O.A.A., at the Arts & Letters Club on Saturday, February 23rd, the delegates were taken through the new Royal York Hotel by the associate architects, Messrs. Sproatt & Rolph. The delegates expressed their appreciation to the architects for the opportunity of visiting the building.

The annual dinner of the Institute was held in the Yellow Room of the King Edward Hotel on Saturday evening, February 23rd. About sixty-five delegates and guests were present. The newly elected president, Mr. Percy E. Nobbs, presided over the banquet, and an excellent programme of music helped to make the evening a most enjoyable one. Following the toast to the King, Mr. John M. Lyle proposed the toast to "Our Guests," which was responded to by Chief Justice Latchford for the Bar, Archdeacon Cody for the University of Toronto, Brig.-General Mitchell, president of the Engineering Institute of Canada, for the Engineering Institute, and Mr. E. T. Sterne, president of the Ontario Association of Professional Engineers, for the Professional Engineers of Ontario. The toast to "The Architectural Profession" was proposed by Mr. Fred H. Brigden, president of the

Ontario Society of Artists, and responded to by Mr. W. L. Somerville, president of the Ontario Association of Architects.

One of the features of the annual dinner was an ovation given to the retiring president, Mr. J. P. Hynes, for his splendid work on behalf of the Institute during the three years he has served as president.

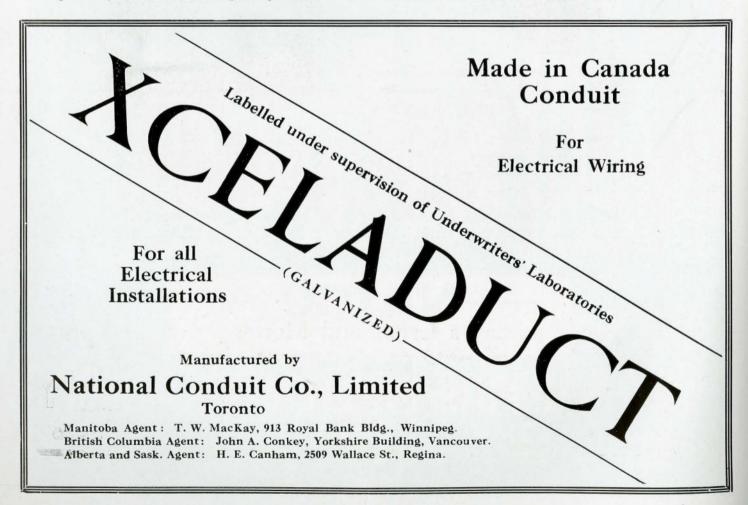
Many of the speeches made at the annual dinner were of such interest to the delegates that they will be reprinted in one of the current numbers of THE JOURNAL.

During the banquet, Arthur Lismer, A.R.C.A., made some very fine caricatures of some of the prominent guests and members. These are reproduced on page 115 of this issue.

Mr. Rene Frechet, president of the Maritime Association of Architects, was the only delegate present from outside the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

The amendment to the charter when passed will provide that the membership of the Institute shall consist of members, fellows and honorary fellows.

A resolution passed at the annual meeting provides for a committee to be appointed to "investigate all cases of proposed buildings to be erected from plans brought into the country on which no duty has been paid, and that a list of such cases, with full particulars, be sent to the Minister of Customs at Ottawa for action."





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The frontispiece in this issue is from a water-colour sketch of "Montigny-Sur-Loing—Environs of Fontainebleau, France," by J. Burn Helme, M. Arch., A.I.A. Mr. Helme is an associate member of the Ontario Association of Architects and for the past few years has been on the staff of the Department of Architecture, Pennsylvania State College. He spent the summer of 1928 at Fontainebleau, where he made a number of sketches, one of which we have the pleasure of reproducing herewith in full colour.

Owing to this issue of The Journal being devoted largely to the convention of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, we have been compelled to omit some of our regular features, such as European Studies, Editorial, Activities of Provincial Associations, etc., etc.

Lack of space also prevents us from including in this number some of the fine addresses given at the luncheons and the annual dinner. We hope, however, to be able to publish these, together with our regular features in the next issue of The Journal.

Alfred H. Chapman of Chapman & Oxley, architects, Toronto, was elected president of the Ontario Association of Architects at the recent annual meeting of the O.A.A.

Ewart G. Wilson, architect, of Toronto, announces the removal of his office from 42 Langley Avenue to 60 Bond Street.

Brig.-General C. H. Mitchell, C.M.G., D.S.O., Dean of the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering of the University of Toronto was elected president of the Engineering Institute of Canada at the annual convention of the Institute held at the Royal Connaught Hotel, Hamilton, on February 13th, 14th and 15th.

E. H. Paisley, B. Arch. (McGill) wishes to announce that he has severed his connection with the firm of Marani, Lawson & Paisley, architects, and will carry on practice at 247 Confederation Life Chambers, Queen and Victoria Streets, Toronto.

Edward Underwood was re-elected president of the Alberta Association of Architects at the annual meeting of the A.A.A. held in Edmonton, Alberta.

Mr. Charles Coxall, architect, for a number of years on the staff of the Provincial Architect, Regina, has taken over the practice of Mr. R. G. Bunyard, architect, 305 Hammond Bldg., Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan.

The Federal Government is considering the erection of a new National Art Gallery Building to house four thousand works of art now in the National Art Gallery of the Dominion and the Canadian War Memorial Paintings.

Mr. R. G. Bunyard, architect, of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, has left for an extended trip to England and the Continent and does not intend to return to Saskatchewan.

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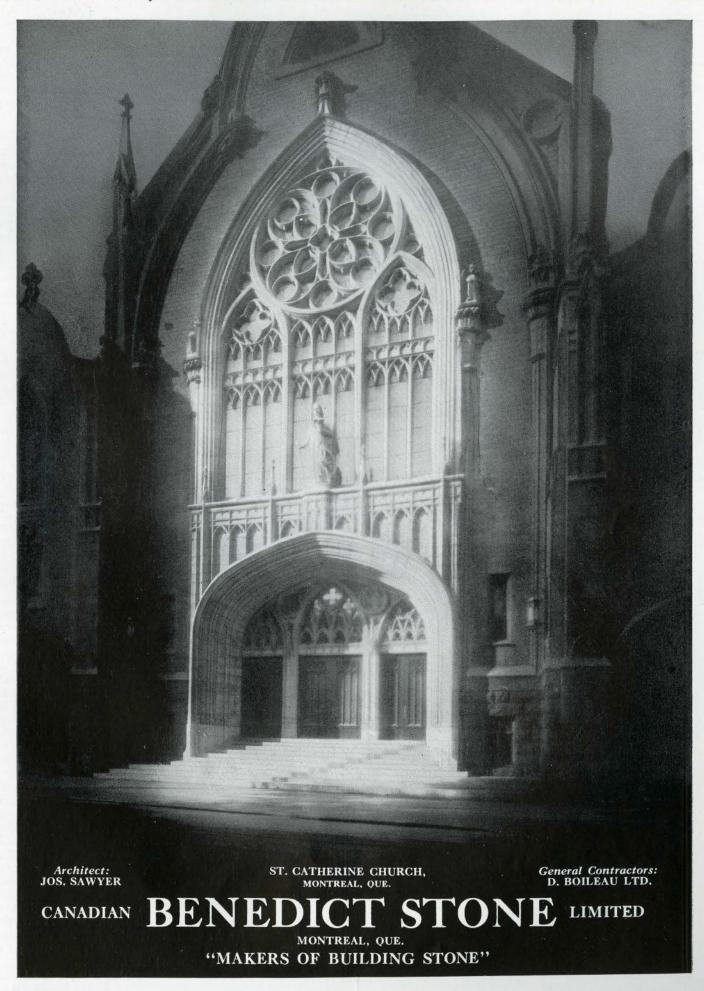
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Mr. Charles A. Platt, architect, of New York, has been elected to the presidency of the American Academy of Rome to succeed the late Wm. Rutherford Mead.

The forty-fourth annual exhibition of the Architectural League of New York will take place at the Grand Central Palace, Lexington Avenue and Forty-sixth Street, New York City, from April 16th to April 27th, 1929. Medals of honour will be awarded in architecture, decorative painting, sculpture and landscape architecture.

BOOKS REVIEWED

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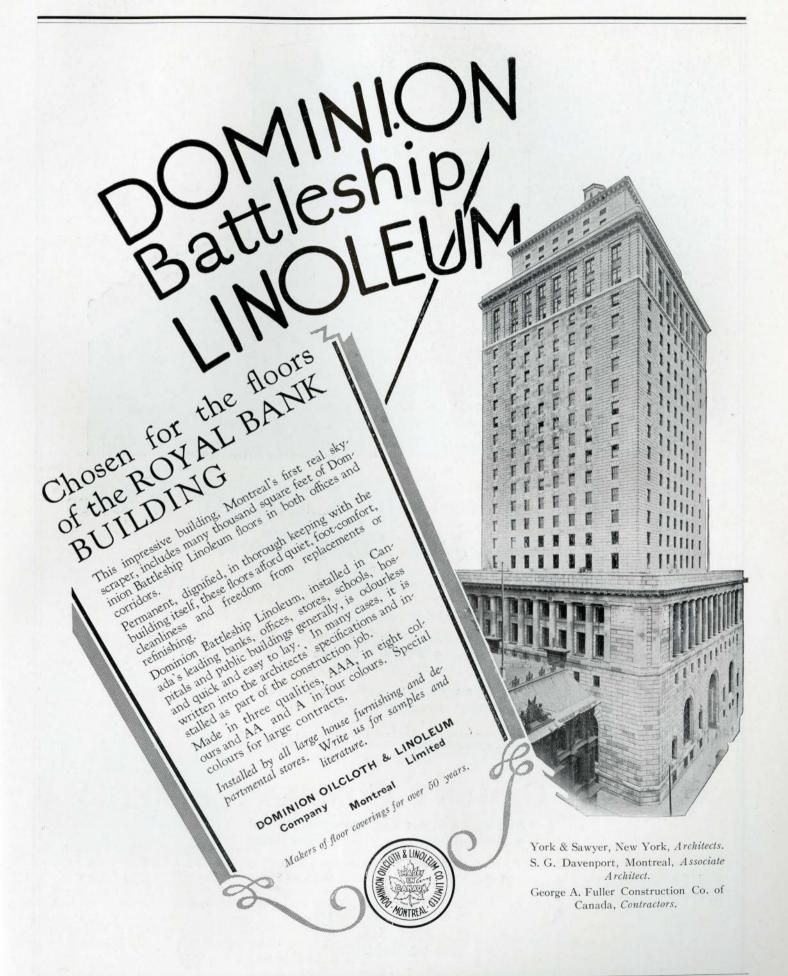
HOUSES OF THE WREN OR EARLY GEORGIAN PERIODS—By Tunstall Small and Christopher Woodridge, published by The Architectural Press. Price \$8.00.

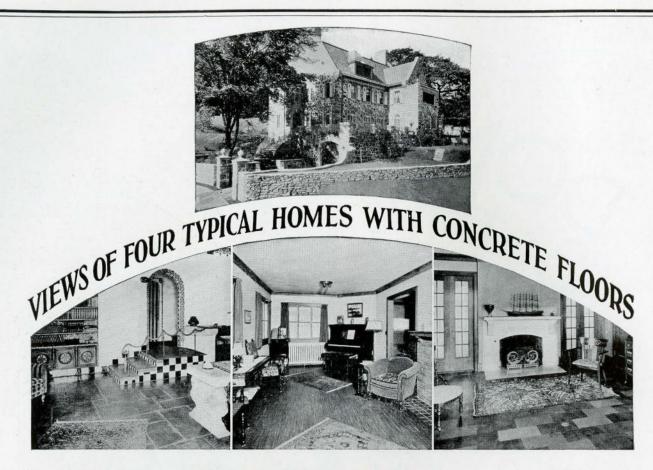
To those seeking inspiration in the Wren manner this book is recommended. Although the examples do not vary as much as one might wish, they cover this particular type of house very completely. The photographs and measured drawings are excellent. The drawings are particularly well done as only an English Architect could do them. Very matter of fact, but truly valuable documents with every detail clearly shown.

The descriptions are rather disappointing. Descriptions accompanying drawings are usually uninteresting. They frequently appear to be written mentioning only the obvious things that can be clearly seen in the illustration, with nothing said about the materials, texture or color. These are all-important features of any architectural work. For example, in this case no mention is made of the different types and colors of bricks used on window jambs and arches, shown in practically all of the buildings illustrated and typical of Wren's work. Unless one is familiar with this period and had seen the buildings, one could not obtain the full enjoyment from a study of the illustrations. The same applies to the photographs of panelling and staircases. The kind of woods color or ceiling treatments are not mentioned.

Living conditions in our large Canadian cities now demand a more urban type of house than the commonly seen suburban. This book is particularly rich in examples of an urban character that are well worth careful study. In the introduction Wm. G. Newton, M.A., F.R.I.D.A., refers to the Eighteenth Century as a time when "England was rural, with a hankering for the town; whereas now it is urban with a hankering for the country." In other words, these medium sized suburban houses were designed in a somewhat more urban manner than was quite necessary at the time. Fortunately they give us a formal note which we can well adopt. We also have the hankering for the country. Wearing golf togs to business, however, is hardly good form. Neither is the building of a country house on a hundred foot frontage.

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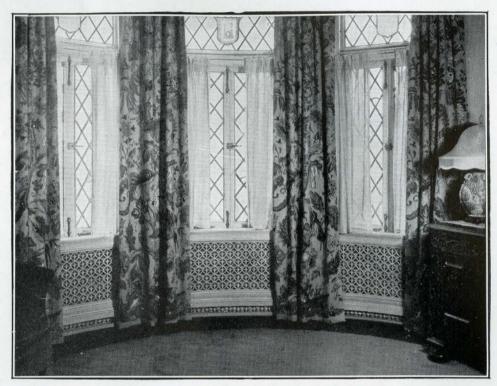
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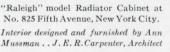


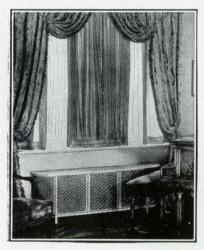
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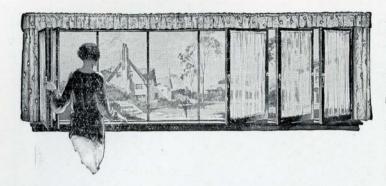
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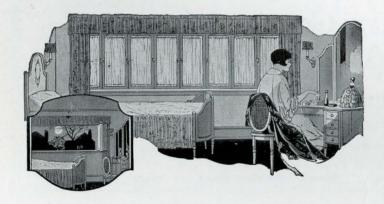
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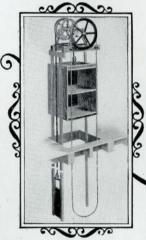
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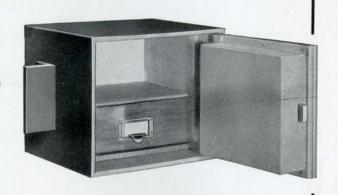
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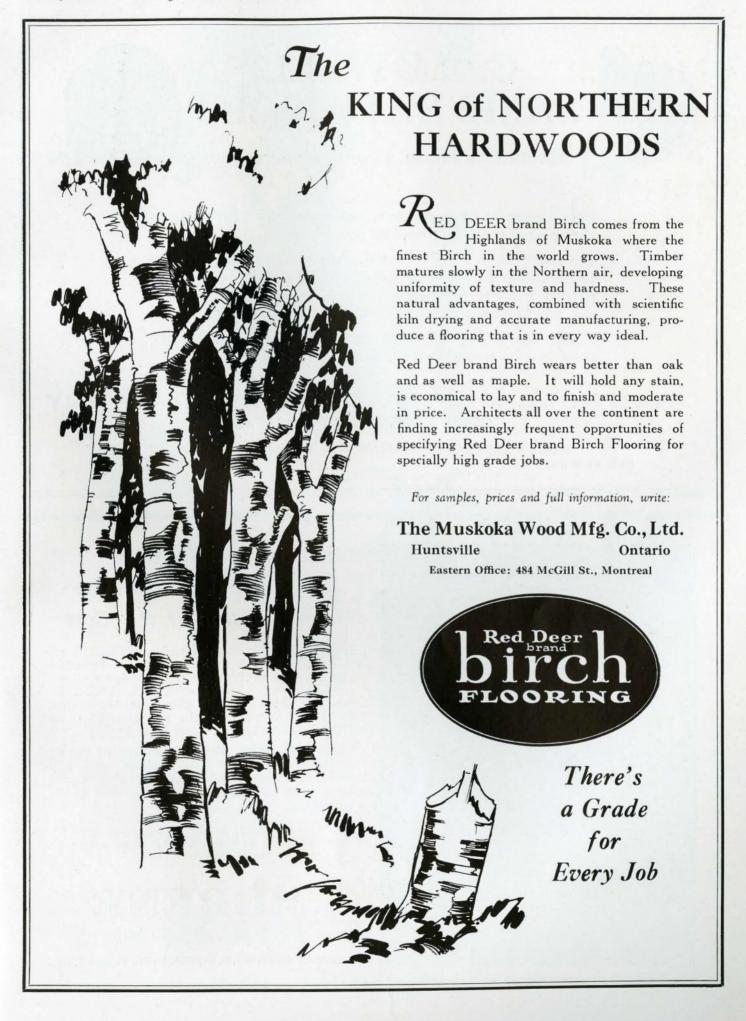


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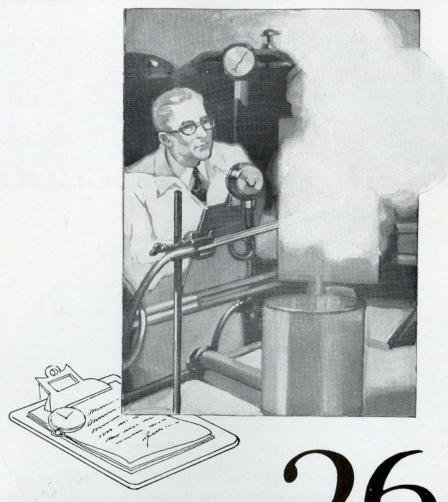
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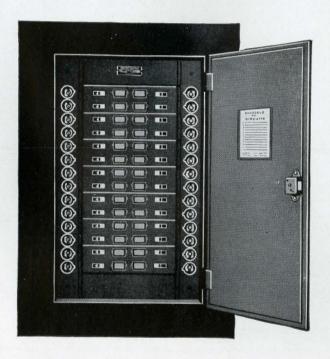
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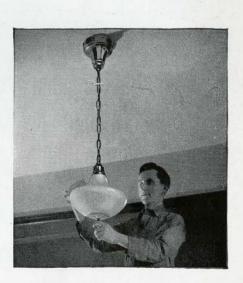
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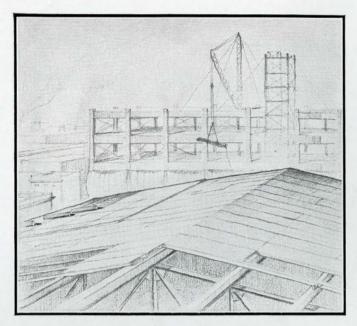
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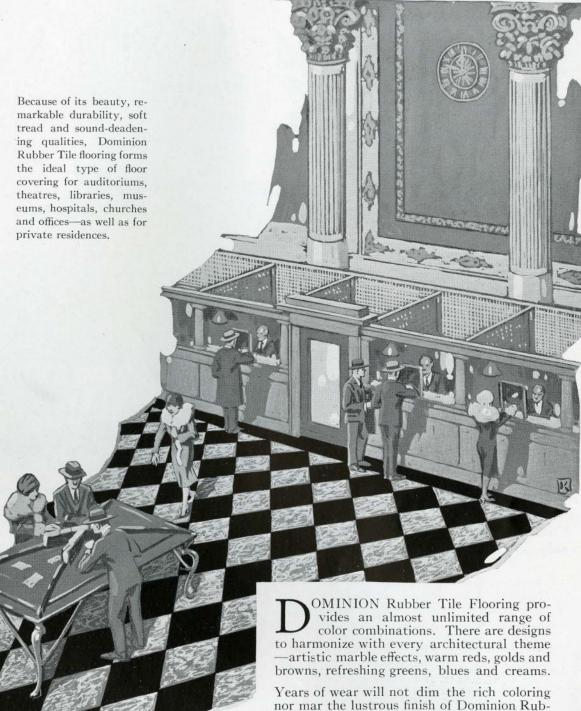
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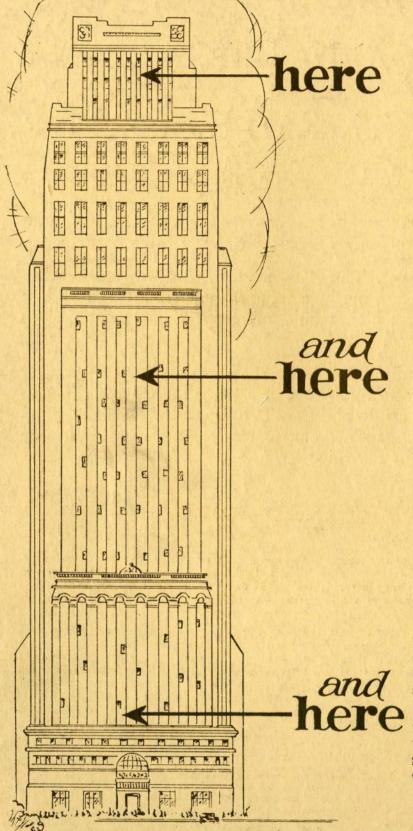
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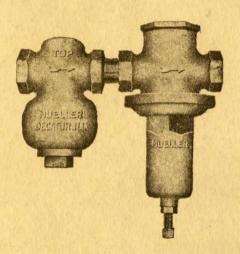
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