

SMALL HOUSE COMPETITION

The Small Home Plan Bureau, under the supervision of the Los Angeles Architectural Club, is sponsoring a small house competition, open to students in the department of architecture, polytechnic high school, Los Angeles. The competition closes November 30. Prizes will be awarded by a jury of four architects, one from the faculty of the Department of Architecture of Polytechnic High School, and one each from the Los Angeles Architectural Club, the Architects' League of Hollywood and the Pasadena Architectural Club.

Awards will be made on the basis of 85 per cent for a practical, well-designed plan and elevation, and 15 per cent for the rendering.

FIVE MILLION BUILDING MARK

Building construction in San Francisco during the month of October involved an expenditure of \$5,687,396, according to figures compiled by John B. Leonard, superintendent of the city building department. During the month 764 permits were issued, as compared with 660 permits in September, 1928, for improvements valued at \$2,442,080. During October, 1927, Leonard reports, 769 permits were granted, the improvements aggregating an expenditure of \$2,518,374.

APARTMENT HOUSE CONTRACT

W. H. Toepke, Call Building, San Francisco, has let a contract to Jacks and Irvine for the construction of a four-story Class C reinforced concrete apartment building at Brooklyn Place, near Sacramento street, San Francisco, for B. F. Fong.

UNIVERSITY BUILDING AT RENO

F. J. De Longchamps of Reno, Nevada, has been commissioned to prepare plans for the Clarence H. Mackay Science Building at the University of Nevada. A donation of \$350,000 has been made.

ADDITION TO INSURANCE BUILDING

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company will build a \$500,000 seven-story Class A addition to its office building at California and Stockton streets, San Francisco, from plans by Miller and Pflueger.

PAROCHIAL RESIDENCE

Plans have been prepared by Leonard H. Ford of Oakland for a parochial residence to be built on Manila street, near Broadway, Oakland, for the Church of the Little Flower.

OBITUARY

H. M. PATTERSON

H. M. Patterson, dean of Los Angeles architects, passed away at St. Vincent's hospital in that city, Saturday, October 20, following an operation, which superinduced uremic poisoning.

Mr. Patterson was born in Ashland county, Ohio, in 1856. He lived in Butte, Mont., from 1881 to 1902, practicing architecture in that city. He journeyed from Butte to Los Angeles and continued to practice his profession until his last illness. He specialized in church architecture and designed many edifices throughout Southern California. His last and most important work was the new Immanuel Presbyterian church now nearing completion at Wilshire boulevard and Bernedo street. C. F. Skilling was associated with him in this project. Mr. Patterson was a member of Southern California Chapter, American Institute of Architects.

ALBERT VAN DER NAILLEN

Albert Van Der Naillen, founder of the Van Der Naillen Engineering School and reputed to have been the first man in the United States to make public experiments in wireless telegraphy, died in Oakland, October 27, aged 99 years. Mr. Van Der Naillen was a native of Ghent, Belgium, where he was graduated from the University of Ghent as surveying geometer before a special royal commission. He came to the United States in 1858 and served as a civil engineer during the Civil War. He started an engineering school in Pittsburgh, later moving to Chicago, where his buildings were destroyed in the fire of 1871. In 1874 Van Der Naillen journeyed to San Francisco, and soon afterward he established his school in Oakland.

CHAS. J. I. DEVLIN

Chas. J. I. Devlin, aged 70 years, and pioneer San Francisco architect, died Nov. 2nd. Mr. Devlin was a native of San Francisco, where he spent practically his entire life. In addition to St. Ignatius Church, Mr. Devlin was the architect for St. Patrick's Seminary in San Mateo County, Mary's Help Hospital and the Presentation Convent in San Francisco.

GOLF CLUB BUILDING

Benjamin G. McDougall, 353 Sacramento street, San Francisco, is preparing plans for a Spanish type country club building in Contra Costa County for the El Sobrante Golf Club.