Greeley, Mellew 6. Georgia Chapter
Application for Membership
To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects, The Octagon House, Washington, D. C. Sir:
I hereby apply for Membership in the American Institute of Architects.
I hereby certify that the following statements are correct: Name
Address 709-711 Bisber Bulding-Jacksonville, Florida
Place and date of birth Jocksonville Flande - Tebr. 14th 1880.
Graduate in architecture.
[If required in your case, give name of institutions and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation Holder of Scholarship in architecture
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first class of the Ecole des Beaux Arts [If required in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate,]
If an Associate of a Chapter of the Institute, give name of chapter If practicing architect, firm name If practicing architect, firm name If practicing architect, firm name
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Have been in practice twelve years
If draughtsman, employed by
Collegiate and office training
I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and the "Circular of Advice Relative to Principles of Professional Practice and Canons of Ethics," and I agree, if elected, honorably to maintain them. I further agree, if elected to membership in the American Institute of Architects, that if at any time my membership shall cease, either by my own resignation or by any action taken by the Institute, I will then, by that fact, relinquish all rights of any character that I may have acquired by reason of such membership in the property, real or personal, of the American Institute of Architects, and of the Chapter of the Institute of which I am then a member.
I hereby certify that the signer of this application was duly elected an Associate of the
Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date
Secretary.
We, the undersigned members of the American Institute of Architects, have carefully examined the foregoing statement and believe it to be correct. We know the applicant personally, and consider that his work and practice warrant his admission to Membership. (I)
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MELLEN C. GREELEY ROY A. BENJAMIN ARCHITECTS 709-711 BISSEE BUILDING JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Feb. 28th, 1921.

Mr. William Stanley Parker, Secretary, The American Institute of Architects, The Octagon House, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir :-

We are enclosing applications for membership in the American Institute of Architects, properly indorsed by three members residing in this State. Accompanying each of these applications is a check for Five Dollars (\$5.00).

Under separate cover the required drawings and photographs will be forwarded in a day or so.

Trusting that these spplications may receive favorable action, we are,

very truly yours,

ROY A. BINJAMIN

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April 28, 1921.

My dear Sirt-

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in the American Institute of Architects, effective April 28, 1921.

You have been assigned to the Florida Chapter as an Institute member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter has been so notified.

The enclosed statement for dues should receive early attention as the engrossed Certificate of Membership is not sent until dues for the first year have been paid. No charge has been made for the first quarter of the current year.

May I take this opportunity to say that the office of the Secretary at the Octagon is for the service of every Institute member. Should the occasion arise we shall be glad to give you our best cooperation.

Very truly yours.

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Mellon C. Greeley, Bisbee Building, Jacksonville, Florida.

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Enclosure.

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.



August 2, 1929

Dear Mr. Greeley:

This will formally advise you of the creation of the Florida
North Chapter and assignment thereto, as a Charter Member, effective
April 27, 1929.

The President of the new Chapter is Mr. Rudolph Wesver, University of Florida, Gainesville, Fle.; and the Secretary is Mr. W. Kenyon Drake, 21 Ocean Street, Jacksonville, Fle.

They have been advised as above, and we know they are counting upon your support as a Charter Member in making the new Chapter a success.

By direction of the Secretary,

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Mellen C. Greeley, 32 West Porsyth Street, Jacksonville, Fla.

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ARCHITECT

32 WEST FORSYTH STREET JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Sept. 13, 1929.



Mr. Edward C. Kemper, Executive Secretary, A.I.A., The Octagon, Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:-

S, RALPH FETNER

I regret the necessity of writing you this kind of a letter, but I do not wish to sail too long under false colors.

My dues for this year are still unpaid and while the amount is small, it is more than I have been able to raise except for actual living purposes and to hold my office organization.

I want to hold my membership, because it is worth a great deal to me and I have every expectation of paying my dues by the end of the year. Is there some way that I can remain in your good graces until not later than December 15? Please consider that I would not have asked you this question without excellent reasons.

Sincerery,

Mellen C. Greelev.



September 17, 1929.

Dear Mr. Greeley:

Your personal letter of the 13th is at hand this morning, and I am responding on the same basis.

Please be assured that under no circumstances would this office permit your membership to be affected on account of outstanding dues, without writing you both formally and personally, and without extending all of the time possible. The letter you received in September was a general one sent to all of those whose accounts are not strictly current. I do not even know, without calling for a memorandum, what your indebtedness is, and without knowing, feel justified in saying that if you send check in whole, or in part, by December 15th that will be sufficient to meet the requirements of the Treasurer's office.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Treasurer.

Mr. Mellen C. Greeley, 32 West Forsyth Street, Jacksonville, Pla.

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MELLEN C. GREELEY, A. I. A. ARCHITECT

S, RALPH FETNER

32 WEST FORSYTH STREET JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Dec.30,1930.

Mr. E.C. Kemper, Assistant Treasurer, The Octagon, Washington, D.C.

Dear Hr. Kemper;-

As you suggested, in reply to my inquiry, I am inclosing a note payable on March 31st.1931, for the amount of my 1930 dues, \$25.00.

I would appreciate your bringing this to the attention of the proper officer, and I hope this method off handling the matter will be satisfactory.





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S. RALPH FETNER

ROOM 500-No. 218 WEST ADAMS ST. JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

December 22,1931.

Mr. Edwin Bergstrom, Treasurer. American Institute of Architects. Washington. D.C.

Dear Sir; -

I have delayed answering your letter of November 16th.because I have continued to hope that I could inclose a check for dues for the current year. That hope has faded however, and I now know that it will be impossible for me to pay now, nor in fact for a few months. Would you as Treasurer consider my note due March 31st.1932, as being of any more value than the present open account? This would at least show my good intentions.

There is no need of my telling you what compells me to ask that you accept my note. I can only say that perhaps we in the Southeast have had a little longer to go without profitable employment, and perhaps we have more completely exhausted our reserves. My "battle cry" in the Chapters of this State has heen to hold on--keep offices open -- and do anything which is honest and legitimate. I am also trying to practice what I preach, and so far, to my own astonishment, I have held on.

Hoping the above will meet with your favor, I am,

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ARCHITECT

S. RALPH FETNER ROOM 500-No, 218 WEST ADAMS ST.

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

February 14, 1933.

Mr. Edward C. Kemper, Executive Sceretary, A.I.A., Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:-

Thank you very much for your letter of January 31st. According to your suggestion I am inclosing my note for \$75.00, due April 15th., without interest, in an endeavor to keep my membership in the A.I.A. in good standing for 1933. I note that Mr. Bergstrom will be in Washington early in March, at which time definite action will be taken on this matter.

I hope you will make your regular sejourn in our State this year, and that, if so, I may have the pleasure of seeing you.

Sincerely,

Mellen C. Greeley

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ARCHITECT

ROOM 500-No, 218 WEST ADAMS ST.

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

April 12, 1933



Mr. Edward C. Kemper, Executive Sec., The American Institute of Architects, The Octogon, 1741 New York Ave., Vashington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kempor:

S. RALPH FETNER

I inclose check for \$50.00 for part payment on note due April 15, also a new note for \$25.00 for the balance.

I had thought to be able to take care of the whole amount but will have to ask a postponement of part and hope this will be satisfactory.

I have recently joined the ranks of "Private Architects" as I was awarded the St. Augustine, Florida Post Office. According to all of the other Architects doing Private work I may lose my shirt, but in these times it is pleasing to have something to do, even if there is no profit in it.

I expect to come to Washington in connection with this work in the next few weeks and hope to have the pleasure of seeing you.

Very sincerely

Mellen C. Greeley

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April 20, 1933.

Dear Mr. Greeley:

It has been physically impossible to respond sooner to yours of April 12th.

Let me acknowledge, with appreciation, your check for \$50 covering Institute dues for the years 1931 and 1932; also a new note for \$25 covering the dues for 1933.

The paid note, dated February 14, 1933, is enclosed herewith.

Congratulations on your appointment as Architect for the St. Augustine building.

Let me express the hope that it will be worth something to you in dollars and cents, as well as in prestige.

Many architects have found it difficult to make a fair profit on the government buildings.

I look forward to seeing you when you are in Washington. Please telephone when you get in, and please come and have luncheon with me.

With best regards

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Mellen C. Greeley, A. I. A., Room 500 - 218 West Adams St., Jacksonville, Florida.

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

SOUTH ATLANTIC DIVISION

Franklin O. Adams, Director, 509 Twiggs St.

Tampa, Fla.

January 28, 1932.

The Jury of Fellows, American Institute of Architects, The Octagon, 1741 New York Ave., Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

With others, I am submitting the nominations of the following men for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects:

Nat Gaillard Walker, member of the Florida Central Chapter, Ft. Myers, Florida

William T. Warren, member of the Alabama Chapter, Birmingham, Alabama, and

Mellen C. Greeley, member of the Florida North Chapter, Jacksonwille, Florida.

In doing so, I believe I appreciate fully the exceedingly high qualifications which should accompany such nominations and feel entirely justified in taking such action.

There are, perhaps, eight men within the South Atlantic Division whom in my opinion, have earned the honor by their devoted services to the Institute, to the profession of Architecture and to the general public. In the nine chapters in the division, with a total Institute membership of 183, there are six Fellows, half the number being in the Georgia Chapter, with one each from North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, the remaining five Chapters having no representation.

The three men selected for nominations are, in the opinion of this director based on twenty months contact with the division, outstanding among the modest number who could probably qualify. Fortunately they are from different chapters none of which has a Fellow on its roster. The division has a relatively dense architectural population with a standard of practice lower than it should be. That standard has, however, improved remarkably during the past ten years, that improvement being directly attributable to these three men, with a varying degree of assistance from others. By the award of the honors petitioned, these men and many others in their territories will be encouraged, there will be a greater confidence in and reliance upon the Institute and the Institute itself will be strengthened in the division.

Respectfully,

(S) FRANKLIN O. ADAMS

Director, South Atlantic Division.

(Proposals for Fellowship must be filed with the Jury of Fellows, at The Octagon, not later than February 1st of any calendar year if it is desired that such proposals be acted upon prior to the second succeeding convention.)

Name of Member Proposed—



(Issued by the Jury of Fellows)

Confidential

The American Institute of Architects

The Octagon, 1741 New York Avenue Washington, D. C.

FORM OF PROPOSAL FOR FELLOWSHIP

(Before executing read carefully the accompanying document on Principles of Fellowship)

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(Name of Chapter)
Date of Election to Institute—
1921
(The year is sufficient)
Place of Business-Location of Best Work.
Jackronville Florida
(Principal Place of Business past Five Years)
(One or more cities in which best work is located)

General Conditions of Fellowship: (Chapter II, Article 1, Section 1, By-laws:)

Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects is conferred upon a member who is a citizen of the United States, who, in the opinion of an authorized jury of fellows, shall have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession in design, construction, literature, education or public service.

PROPOSAL FOR FELLOWSHIP

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Institute of Architects, on, Washington, D. C.	tanding.
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Name Mellen Clark Greeley (In full) Address (City and State)	z 1880
Holder of Scholarship in Architecture—	
(Name of Scholarship)	
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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Mellen Clark Greeley was born on the 14th day of February, in the year 1880, at Jacksonville, Florida, the son of Jonathan Clark Greeley and Leonora Keep Greeley.

He attended Bradford Institute (a private school in Jacksonville), also Chelten Hills School near Jenkintown, Pennsylvania, both elementary schools, and Lawrenceville School at Lawrenceville, New Jersey, a preparatory school.

He did not attend college. Instead he enlisted in the Third U. S. Volunteer Engineer Regiment for service in the Spanish-American War and saw service in Cuba.

He was employed in drafting work by the Cummer Lumber Company of Jacksonville, Florida, for about twenty months during 1899 and 1900, on railroad right-of-way maps, land plats and general construction work. Was employed by J. H. W. Hawkins (now deceased) in Jacksonville, Florida, in July 1901, as junior draftsman; was promoted through all positions of the office to senior draftsman and then office manager until October, 1908. Was employed by Henry C. Pelton from November, 1908, to June, 1909, in New York, as general senior draftsman and in charge of full size detail work for several commissions.

Mr. Greeley began practice in his own name in July, 1909, at Jacksonville, Florida, and continued until July, 1918, when he received a commission in the Q. M. Corps U. S. Army, serving in the United States and in France until July, 1919. He then formed a partership with Roy A. Benjamin at Jacksonville, Florida, in September, 1919, which continued until April, 1924, when he resumed practice in his own name. He has practiced under his own name since.

His offices are at 218 West Adams Street, Jacksonville.

He resides at 2561 Oak Street in Jacksonville, Florida.

ACHIEVEMENT IN DESIGN

Received first prize award in the first annual competition held by the Architectural League of Jacksonville (afterwards absorbed by the Florida North Chapter) for the best residence erected in the city during 1929. In this competition there were best two classes judged, residential and non-residential.

In the second annual competition for work executed in 1930, there were five classes judged, Mr. Greeley receiving first prizes in two classes, Ecclesiastical and Clubs; and second mention in a third class, Public Buildings and Monumental Work.

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ACHIEVEMENT UN EDUCATION & LITERATURE

Mr. Greeley has delivered a number of addresses and papers educational in character, some of which are here noted:

Lecture before the students of the Engineering School of the University of Florida in 1926 on "The Business of being an Architect".

Lecture before students of the School of Architecture of the same institution in 1928 on "The Architect in Civic and in Business Affairs".

Lecture before the art class of the Jacksonville Woman's Club in 1927 on "Styles of Architecture and their Possible Adaptation to Florida Conditions".

Various lectures to classes of grade schools and to "Hobby Clubs" of the junior high schools on architectural subjects.

Address at annual convention of the Florida Association of Architects in 1930; subject, "Termites and Fungi in Florida".

Address before delegates of the American Wood Preservers Association in 1931 at Philadelphia on the subject, "Wood Preservatives as Prevention against Termites and Fungi".

Talks on termites, fungi and wood preservation before,

Kiwanis Club of Jacksonville, 1931, American Legion of "1931, Lions Club of "1931, Civitan Club of "1931.

Address before State Convention of the Florida Lumber and Mill-work Association in 1931 on "The Renaissance of Good Building in Florida, reprinted in full in Southern Lumber Journal and in part by many other publications.

Radio talks over Station WRUF at Gainesville, Florida, on "Termites", February 9, 1931, and on "Wood Destroying Fungi" February 23, 1931. (The radio talks brought many requests for advice but no compensation)

Paper published in the March, 1931, number of the Octagon, entitled "Termite and Fungus Damage to Buildings". This paper was copied through the Associated Press by papers all over the country, and was the beginning of extensive correspondence with government officials and private persons, as well as architects throughout the states. This work was performed without compensation, except for transportation in two instances.

ACHIEVEMENT IN PUBLIC SERVICE

FLORIDA CHAPTER, A. I. A.; A charter member of the Florida Chapter, A.I.A., organized August 25, 1921. President in 1924. A director at least once. Delegate to National Convention in 1924 and 1926. Delegate to Southeastern Regional meeting at Charleston, S. C., 1925, when the Board of Directors, A. I. A., met there.

FLORIDA NORTH CHAPTER, A. I. A.; A charter member of the Florida North Chapter A. I. A., organized 1929. Was director in 1929 and 1930. President 1931 and 1932. Elected delegate to the national convention 1931 but did not attend.

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF ARCHITECTS; A charter member of the Florida Association of Architects, the first Architectural organization in the State, organized December 14, 1912. Was director in 1912 and at least one other time (year not known). Has been asked by nomination committees to allow name to be placed on slate for office, but refused. Member of Committee to administer the University Loan Fund (for Architectural students at the University of Florida), since the formation of committee. Served on one or more committees at all times.

STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE; Appointed by the Governor of the State (upon approval of the Florida Association of Architects) a member of Florida State Board of Architecture on January 8, 1923. Has been reappointed three times. Present commission expires in August 1935. Elected Secretary-Treasurer January 1923, and served as such continuously.

Delegate to National Conference of Architectural Registration Boards Convention at Washington, D. C., in 1924 and 1926. Delegate to Regional Conference of Architectural Registration Boards in the Southeast, held at Columbia, S. C., October 1931.

STATE HOTEL COMMISSION; Appointed member of the Board of Supervising Architects of the State Hotel Commission in 1928. In charge of the Northeastern District of the State. Elected Secretary of the Board of Supervising Architects October 1931.

ARCHITECTURAL LEAGUE OF JACKSONVILLE; A charter member of the Architectural League of Jacksonville; served as Director and as member of committee on By-Laws and Constitution. This organization was absorbed in 1929, by the Florida North Chapter, A. I. A.

COMMUNITY SERVICE; Was member of Community Service of Jacksonville (an after-war activity similar to the war-time Recreation Board work), was Vice-president 1919 to 1921. This organization absorbed by "The Little Theatre" of Jacksonville.

KIWANIS CLUB; A charter member of Kiwanis Club of Jacksonville, formed October 1919; still a member in 1932, was a director for two years; was delegate to two District Conventions, in Macksonville and in Lakeland.

BOY SCOUTS; Served as special examiner for Merit Badges in Architecture and Handicraft from forming of Scout Council in Jacksonville about 1920 until 1929. Designed and assisted in building several "Huts" at the Camp.

GIRL SCOUTS; Chairman of special committee from Kiwanis Club in 1929 to 1931 to assist Girl Scout Council of Jacksonville. Served in advisory capacity in this work.

CITY PARK COMMISSION; Appointed by the Mayor of Jacksonville to serve on a Park Commission in 1917-1918. This organization then disbanded after considerable work of investigation and recommendation on purchase of park lands. Was secretary of the Commission.

CITY PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD; Appointed by the City Commission of Jacksonville in 1928 to represent the Architectural League (afterwards the Florida North Chapter A. I. A.) on a City Planning Advisory Board. Elected Secretary-Treasurer in 1928 and still serving 1932. This Board prepared a comprehensive city plan and zoning ordinances. The zoning ordinances have stood the test of the Florida Supreme Court.

CITY BUILDING CODE; Appointed by the City Council of Jacksonville in 1929 as a member of a committee to revise the Building Code. Still working on this in 1932.

MILITARY; Joined the 3rd U. S. V. Engineer Regiment in 1898 and served in America and in Cuba for a year in the Spanish-American War. Served for about fifteen years in the National Guard of Florida, with rank of Captain for the latter twelve years. Appointed by the Governor in 1917 as First Lieutenant in the Duval County Home Guards, a training and safety unit formed during the war period when the National Guard were in Mexico. Left this organization to enter the Construction Division of the Quartermaster Corps, U. S. Army, served one year as Captain, mostly in France.

ARCHITECTURAL HONORS; Served as Professional Advisor for a competition (about 1924) for a Christian Science Church in Miami, Florida. Called upon and served many times, informally, as a mediator or referee to help decide disagreements between contractors and sub-contractors, also between owners and contractors. Attended the President's Conference on Home Building and Home Ownership December 1931, and represented the State Hotel Commission and the City of Jacksonville.

Mr. Greeley's services in connection with these activities was without compensation, except there has been partial compensation for his labors on the State Board of Architecture and the State Hotel Commission.

Proponents are basing their nomination of Mr. Greeley for Fellowship upon the principles embodied in a letter addressed to the chairman of the Jury of Fellows, dated November 10, 1931, atteched hereto.

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Mr. Paul A. Davis, III, Chairman, Jury of Fellows, A. I. A., 1805 Walnut Street. ophiladelphiagopennierial Iromes ouer be volted into a uestal ania axid

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goods I have received from the Octagon copies of Principles of Fellow ship and form of proposal, and wish to thank you for having them

with a sent to me.

I have read the "Principles" very carefully and certainly subseribe to the idea that the honor of Fellow should be carefully guarded in order that it may remain an honor. I know that a few years ago the impression got abroad that other things than professional worth were determining selections, and stock in Fellowships dropped appreciably in value. If I thought such considerations prevailed now, I would not present these names for what would be a meaningless title. Further, I would not present them if I did not think the men they represent measure up to the high standard set for that classification, in that I believe they have made a distinctive and unusually valuable contribution to the profession and to the public.

It would be difficult to determine without the testimony of the author of this particular by-law, whether it was the intent to include the humble worker among the foundations or only the flag-pole painter. This in itself does not worry me, as I feel quite sure that the Institute and the Jury will recognize outstanding merit as it may appear. This proof does worry me. It is easy to see and mark attainment in the single dimension of the vertical, but it is a whole lot harder to find it in the great two-dimensional area of the horizontal, especially when the latter stretches all the way to the horizon. One represents easily traceable individual effort, while the greatest attainment of the other lies in the extent of the area into which personal influence may permeate. This is often so far and so devious that conclusive written proof of the fource, such as hight be transmitted to the Jury, is unobtainable. Yet one type of effort is just as essential to the consummation of the objectives of the Institute as the other, with this difference, that the vertical type easily commands its own recognition, while the horizontal type must be sought out for acclaim, and there is no other agency through which this may be done except the Institute. Work in the horizontal must precede work in the vertical.

regard dayah dilen jawaka These pioneers whose endeavors I am interested in seeing recognized are among those who make possible the "notable contributions" of others. The outstanding architects of the large communities would have been denied their present accomplishments if it had not been for the pioneers who preceded them. These accomplishments must be if architecture is to progress, but it is none the less necessary that they be made possible. The public of the outlying territories must be taught to appreciate and ask for better designed, better constructed and more usable build-Practitioners must be made aware of the suicidal results of certain practices, both ethically and economically, and the necessity of pooling interests and information - the need of cooperation.

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construction and material forces must be welded into a useful unit and taught the economic value of faithful performance. Special local conditions must be analyzed, defined and tagged for recognition, and special construction must be devised and special materials found and put into general use to meet them. That is what these men have been doing, and the job is difficult, wearying and thankless. They organize architects, contractors and material men into local and state associations, often writing their constitutions and by-laws, besides reorganizing and nurturing them through periods of inactivity; they erganize and support local art clubs; they inaugurate movements for city planning and zoning and serve on the commissions; they make speeches or read papers before every kind of civic, trade or professional club; they serve as advisers or jurymen for competitions, without pay, in order that they might be held decently; they serve as advisers to municipal, county and state authorities, not only without compensation but with loss of opportunity? for the commission involved; they experiment with new meterials and new methods of construction and encourage others to do so; and, finally they conduct their practices on a plane that becomes an example for their competitors. They have also been largely responsible for the extension of the influence of the Institute in new chapters and new members. All of this work is done without thought of personal profit. Not only is the cost in time and money considerable, but there is a distinct loss in small offices through absence from the office and consequent loss of commissions.

None of this type of service can be recorded. It is easy to record that John Smith assisted in the passage of the registration law, but it tells mothing of they gear or more of collecting data, decompiling the bill, working up the publicity, acting as dry nurse through two or more legislatures to preyent its complete emasculation by amendment, ... and then having to refeur years or more as an unpaid member of the board after the bill becomes a law. John Smith may, at the same time, be the moving spirit for city planning and zoning in his home town, involving three or more years of preparatory work, more legislation and, if successful, the doubtful honor of an indefinite number of years service as an unpaid member of that board. While these men have not, of course, done all the work connected with these movements, they have done a large part of it and have invariably been the moving spirits.

Very cordially yours,

FOA: CA

Franklin O. Adams.

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Signatures: Submitted by

Group of five Members or/and Fellows—

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BY-LAW PROVISIONS AND RULES OF PROCEDURE CONCERNING ADVANCEMENT TO FELLOWSHIP.

Address communications to The Chairman, The Jury of Fellows

The Octagon, Washington, D. C.

By-Laws of the Institute.

Chapter II, Article 1. General Conditions of Fellowship.

Section 1. Qualifications.

(a) Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects is conferred upon a member who is a citizen of the United States who, in the opinion of an authorized jury of fellows, shall have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession in design, construction, literature, education, or public service.

Section 2. Prerequisite.

(a) Membership in the Institute for not less than ten years shall be a prerequisite to fellowship.

Section 3. Jury of Fellows.

(a) The Jury of Fellows shall consist of six fellows appointed by the President, two of whom shall serve for periods of one, two, and three years, respectively, and until their successors are appointed. The President shall appoint the chairman of the Jury, and shall fill all vacancies occurring in the Jury of Fellows by death, resignation, expiration of term or otherwise.

Section 4. Recommendations for Fellowship.

(a) Method. Any group of five or more members may recommend to the Jury for consideration the name of a member whom they deem qualified for fellowship. Such recommendation shall contain a brief statement of the notable service or achievements which, in the opinion of the nominators, justify the nomination.

(b) Supporting Data. Names of nominees for fellowship shall be submitted with full and explicit data to the Jury of Fellows on forms prepared for this purpose. The Jury shall then request from the chapter officials, the Directors of the Institute, and such other sources as it deems necessary privileged communications relating to the qualifications of the nominees. All recommendations shall remain on file with the Jury of Fellows for at least twelve months prior to final action.

Section 5. Rules of Procedure.

(a) The Jury shall formulate rules for its procedure subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

Article 2. Election to Fellowship.

Section 1. Procedure.

- (a) Election. Election to fellowship shall be by the Jury of Fellows. Fellows may be elected at any regular meeting of the Jury of Fellows.
- (b) Method. Such election shall be by ballot. Four affirmative votes shall be necessary to elect.
- (c) Announcements. The names of all fellows so elected shall be announced to the convention.

Article 3. Nomenclature.

Section 1. Nomenclature.

(a) Fellowship in the Institute shall be designated by the initials "F. A. I. A."

Rules of Procedure.

- 1. A meeting of the Jury of Fellows may be held at the call of the Chairman, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, and in any event this meeting should occur at least 60 days prior to the date of the Convention.
- 2. Suggestions to the Jury for advancement to Fellowship may be made as stated in the By-laws.
- 3. The validity of any objection raised to any candidate shall rest solely with the Jury, and all communications shall be considered only as informative data.
- 4. The Jury shall file with the archives of the Institute the original recommendation and a statement of its action with
- the reasons for election in each case. Privileged communications shall not be preserved.
- 5. Proposals for Fellowship must be filed with the Jury of Fellows, at The Octagon, not later than February 1st of any calendar year. All proposals so filed will be considered by the Jury and those selected will be cited for the honor of Fellowship at the second succeeding convention.
- 6. In the event of failure to act favorably upon any recommendation within three years due notice shall be given to the proponents, the recommendation surrendered and privileged communications destroyed. No recommendation so surrendered shall again be presented within two years from such notice.

This is a revised copy of the Rules of Procedure of the Jury of Fellows as amended and approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting on November 14, 1930.

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND ALLIED ARTS
PEABODY HALL, GAINESVILLE

RUDOLPH WEAVER, Director Architect to the Board of Control

January 14, 1932.

Mr. Franklin O. Adams, 509 Twiggs St. Tampa, Florida.

Dear Mr. Adams:-

I am writing to endorse the nomination of Mellen C. Greeley, of Jacksonville, to Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects with the hope that the Jury of Fellows will recognize the service which he has rendered to the profession and to the Institute as of sufficient value to merit this high honor.

My personal knowledge of Mr. Greeley's services to the profession extends over a period of seven years during which time he has contributed in the following ways:-

- l. As an architect he has been active in establishing the architect's services as indispensable to civic progress and he has been, for some time, a member of the city plan board of Jacksonville, Florida.
- 2. He has been a valuable member of the State Board of Architecture and as its Secretary he has wielded a great influence for good in the architectural practice throughout the state. He has always been active in our work with the other state boards and in the N.C. A.R.B.
- 3. He is a member of the State Hotel Commission.
- 4. He has always been active in the work of the Florida Association of Architects.
- 5. A member of the all-Florida chapter, A. I. A., and has served this year as President of the Florida North Chapter.

During the seven years of my residence here there has been no one, excepting yourself, who seems to me to have done more for the standing of Architects and for the promotion of our causes than Mr. Greeley.

- 6. He responds where there is a political issue.
 - 7. He assists in our educational developments.
- 8. He has the respect of citizens of the state.

You are more qualified to speak of Mr. Greeley's services to the cause of Architecture during the earlier years before I came into the state but I can testify to the above.

Sincerely yours,

Rudolph Wesser

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ROY A. BENJAMIN, A. I. A. ARCHITECT 81 OCEAN STREET JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

December 2, 1931.

Mr. Franklin O. Adams, Architect,

Tampa, Florida.

Dear Mr. Adams:

I am very happy to have your letter of November 28th, advising me that you expect to propose the name of Mellen C. Greeley, of Jacksonville, a member of the Florida North Chapter of the A. I. A., for Fellowship

I have known Mellen Greeley for over twenty years, and feel well qualified to testify to his fine service to Architecture through his activities in the local A. I. A. Chapter.

The City of Jacksonville has called on him many times for the performance of Civic work. He has been active as a member of the Planning Board; member of Committee of Five for the drafting of a new Building Code; and has served on many Boards and Committees in Jackson-ville.

By his unselfish devotion to the Brofession, and his willingness at all times to give of his time for Civic work, I believe he has contributed more to the Profession than any other architect in Florida.

I hope sincerely that you are successful in your efforts, and it is a pleasure to give Mr. Greeley's nomination my unqualified endorsement.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

RAB: IM

W. KENYON DRAKE, A. I. A. ARCHITECT

1202 BARNETT NATIONAL BANK BLDG.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Dec. 3, 1931.

Mr. Franklin O. Adams, 509 Twiggs Street, Tampa, Fla.

Dear Mr. Adams: -

I appreciate very much the opportunity you have offered me to add my endorsement to your proposal of Mellen C. Greeley for a Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects: I endorse this proposal without qualifications.

During the years which I have known Mr. Greeley I have been in close touch with him in the affairs of the old Architectural League of Jacksonville and in the Florida North Chapter, A.I.A., which succeeded it, and have been constantly aware of his fine quality of leadership at all times. He has given unstintingly of his time and thought to the betterment of the profession as a whole and that of the Chapter in particular and his unselfish spirit is an inspiration to those who come in contact with him.

Mr. Greeley takes an active part in all civic matters and is a member of local committees and boards whose duties are allied with the profession of architecture. He has done much in this way to further the understanding in the minds of the layman of the work of the Architect. His work as secretary and treasurer of the State Board of Architecture for the past several years has resulted in a higher standard of practice throughout the State and has won for him the respect and admiration of every member of the profession.

Mr. Greeley has made an exhaustive study of Termites and Fungi and his papers and lectures on this subject have caused favorable comment throughout the entire country.

Mr. Greeley's achievements in design, although of a high order, do not, in my opinion, warrant the award of a Fellowship; however, his service to the profession and the community does merit such an award and the honor of Fellowship will be justly deserved.

Very truly yours,

W.15. Drake

BERNARD WELLS CLOSE, A. I. A. ARCHITECT BISBEE BVILDING, JACKSONVILLE FLORIDA

MEMBER
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF ARCHITECTS

December 2, 1931.

Mr. Franklin O. Adams, Twiggs St. Tampa, Fla.

Dear Frank:

I am indeed happy to endorse the nomination of Mellen C. Greeley, Jacksonville, Florida, of the Florida North Chapter, A. I. A. for Fellowship in the A. I. A.

It is an honor and a privilege to endorse a man who has devoted so much of his time to the good of the profession and who has constantly stood by his ideals regardless of criticism, and it will be a source of deep gratification to me to see Mel Greeley's unwavering services acknowledged and rewarded by conferring this high honor on him.

Thanking you for this opportunity to be of some service to the profession, I am

Sincerety yours,

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DOCTOR ERNEST B. MILAM

1022 PARK STREET

Jacksonville. Florida
December 3rd, 1931.

Mr.Franklin O.Adams, 509 Twigg Street, Tampa, Florida.

Dear Mr.Adams:

Your letter of November 28th has been received and read with great interest. I know of no professional man in the State of Florida who has more clearly earned whatever honorary gestures may be tendered him by his various professional organizations, than has Mr.Mellen C.Greeley of this city. I think that Mr.Greeley could qualify for the Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects on several of the grounds mentioned in your letter. He has long been an outstanding architect in Jacksonville in his contribution to the advancement of architectual ideals, in his literary attainments, his education, in his spirit of public service, and in his personal attributes which are those of a thorough gentleman in every sense of the word.

Mr.Greeley has long been consecrated to the highest ideals of city beautification, artistic architesture, and to tasteful development of the residential section of his city; has been for many years a member of the city planning board of Jacksonville; has repeatedly, on every available occasion, expressed himself concerning improvement of architectual design of public and private buildings, and has, through all his years in his profession in Jacksonville, to my personal and intimate knowledge, conducted himself in a way that should qualify him to the fullest degree for the proposed distinction for which it is your purpose to nominate him.

The above may seem a strong indorsement on my part for Mr.Greeley, but I am absolutely certain that all of his numerous friends and acquaintances who are familiar with his work in this state, and who, like myself, have known and admired Mr.Greeley for many years, would unequivocally extend for him the same indorsements.

It will be a real pleasure to me and to Mr.Greeley's numerous friends if, at some future time, we should be advised that this honor has been conferred upon him.

Thanking you for your letter and for the opportunity you have given me for saying these sincere things concerning Mr. Greeley, I am,

Yours very truly,

EBM/b

Ernst B. Milam

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December 6, 1931

Mr. F. O. Adams
509 Twiggs Street
Tampa, Florida

Dear Mr. Adams:

The idea of proposing Mellon Greeley for Fellow-ship in the Institute meets with my sincere approval.

I am well aware of the unselfish service "Mell" Greeley has performed in the interest of the Institute, the profession and our community, and I am indeed happy to have the opportunity of adding my humble word in voicing his nomination for a fellowship.

Sincerely,

LeeRoy Sheftall

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GARRY A. BOYLE

December 15, 1931.

Mr. Franklin O. Adams, A.I.A. Director of the Institute, Tampa, Fla.

My Dear Frank:

With reference to your letter of recent date.

Nothing gives me more pleasure, than to add my endorsement to the recommendations to nominate Mr. Hollen C. Greeley, for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

I first came to know Mell Greeley in the Florida Association meetings, years ago, of which he was a charter member along with myself. I have worked with him on the State Board of Architecture, for over eight years. I have met him under many conditions, professionally and otherwise.

And I have always found him a man of the highest integrity and ability; a slave to the betterment of our profession, individually and collectively; a strong supporter of the Institute in attaining these ends; broad minded yet sound in judgement, with the human side uppermost.

And I would consider the benefits mutual in the Institute conferring upon him, the Distinction of Fellowship.

Very sincerely yours,

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December 16, 1931.

Mr. Franklin O. Adams, 509 Twiggs Street, Tampa, Florida.

Dear Mr. Adams:

It is a pleasure to express my appreciation of Mr. Mellen C. Greeley's outstanding work for this community.

When the Woman's Club of Jacksonville-a few years_ago, voted to have a new club building Mr. Greeley was the architect chosen to draw up the plans and supervise its construction.

He was selected by the Executive Board, not only on account of his ability as an architect, but also for his reliability as a man.

As a member of the Ex. Board at that time it is gratifying to state that the club building is thoroughly approved by the between eight and nine hundred members of the organization, and is recognized as an asset to the city.

As Secretary and Tresurer of the Planning Board he rendered valuable assistance in helping to secure the services of a City Planner, which resulted in the formulation of a City Plan since adopted as the Official City Plan of Jacksonville. Mr. Greeley is an idealist who works to secure practical results.

(Mrs. George W.)

Grace Wilber Stonk

Yours very sincerely,

The Hamby-Taylor Corporation

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Jacksonbille, Florida

December 21st., 1931.

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Mr. Franklin O. Adams, 509 Twiggs St., Tampa, Fla.

Dear Mr. Adams:-

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CLIFTON

I regret that illness has prevented an early reply to your letter of Nov. 28th. It is a pleasure to write a letter in praise of Mr. Mellen . Greeley as a man, as a public spirited citizen and as a very capable architect.

as a man, Mr. Greeley holds the highest regard of everyone in Jacksonville, his fairmindedness, his integrity, his consistencies are attributes that everyone will accord him. of purpose and loyalty to every good cause are to him the "line of least resistance". His modesty at times are a hindrance to a full recognition of his services to his community.

the side as a public citizen, Mr. Greely can be counted always to be on those who put service to the public ahead of self. His civic work has required lots more of his time than he could oftentime His work as a member for years of the City Planning advisory Board has been outstanding. "Iso he has devoted an enormous amount of time without conpensation in preparing a practical building code for Jacksonville. One can always count on Mr. Greeley.

As an architect, I need to say very little. His unalterable stand always for the worthwhile in architecture and his utter contempt for the make-belief in architecture is too well known to us His fellow architects are his co-workers and not his competi-His ethics are never questioned. His work both in design and substantial construction stands out preeminently amongst Jacksonville's There is no question but that he has done much more than his share towards the advancement of his profession in Jacksonville - for while others are working only for themselves, Mr. Greeley is unselfishly working for his beloved profession.

Your organization would make no mistake in conferring signal honor on Mr. Greeley, who would undoubtedly prove the wisdom of such a choice.

Yours very truly,

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JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Dec. 21, 1931

Mr. Franklin O. Adams, 509 Twiggs St., Tampa, Fla.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 1st, we are very much interested in your efforts in behalf of Mr. Mellen C. Greeley. We have known Mr. Greeley for many years and have long appreciated the unselfish work he has done in the interest of the building industry, but we have been especially interested recently in the very great amount of interest and time he has given to Termite and Rot Fungi damage in our homes and buildings of wood construction.

Wood is one building material most largely manufactured in this State and most generally used, and Mr. Greeley's efforts, we are sure, will contribute more to the intelligent use and permanency of our future construction built of this material, than any other one man in the State, and because of the unselfish service in this department of his profession alone, entitles him to any honor the American Institute of Architects is in position to confer on him.

Yours very truly,

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Termite and Fungus Damage in Buildings

By Mellen C. Greeley, A.I.A.

Editor's Note: It is hoped to follow this article by another on the same subject in the April Octagon, by Dr. Carl Hartley, of the Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture.

THE writer first became interested in this subject of damage to buildings by termites and by fungi eight years ago when the residence of a client was attacked, and in spite of all that could be done, was damaged to such an extent that finally it had to be demolished. This was the first of a long list of examples coming under observation, and in seeking for a remedy the subject became so absorbing that an effort has been made to obtain and digest all available information. Knowing that only a small percentage of architects have had the opportunity for observation and believing that the subject is worthy of serious consideration it is a pleasure now to pass on to others a resumé of knowledge gained from experience and study of technical records, in the hope that interest may be awakened more generally among members of the profession.

This paper was originally prepared as a talk before the Florida Association of Architects. Parts of it have since been "put on the air" over the radio station at the University of Florida as part of an educational series, and while the subject may be of more interest to those architects who practice in the southern half of the United States, and especially those who are called upon to design residential buildings, there is no portion of the country, and no type of building which may not under certain conditions be subject to attack either by termites or by fungi. If not the building itself then perhaps the contents may

be attacked.

Those architects whose practice is limited to buildings of the strictly urban type may feel that they are immune, but even they may still live in suburban residences which may be liable to attack as in the case of a Philadelphia architect who told the writer of finding termites in his own home in one of the suburbs of that city. Termites are known to have destroyed valuable papers filed in strictly noncombustible vaults which were apparently immune from any other source of damage, and which were constructed entirely of steel, concrete and masonry.

If the architect is to hold the position of master builder and continue to be looked up to as the co-ordinator of all phases of the building industry he should know all building materials and their proper use. In most sections of the United States wood has always been one of the principal building materials and will continue to be used in spite of the many so-called substitutes, because wood has certain characteristics which no other material can supply; however, there seems to be an increasing menace from wood destroying insects and plants, the reason for which is not definitely known, so that it seems necessary for the architect to acquaint himself with

the causes of destruction and with the remedies for them. It appears to the writer that this subject of prevention of damage by termites and fungi is a worthy one for architects to sponsor, as the amount of damage to buildings caused by termites alone has been estimated to be as much as one million dollars annually in one state alone (Illinois), and most of that damage could have been eliminated by proper construction and preventative measures.

The United States Department of Agriculture, through the Bureau of Entomology, has made exhaustive studies of termites, and within the past few years a number of bulletins have been published giving information and advice. The State of California has also done fine work through their Termite Investigations Committee in conjunction with the University of California. The Department of Agriculture, the Forestry Experimental Stations of the University of Idaho, and the University of Wisconsin, and several others have conducted experiments with fungi and a number of bulletins are available on this subject. This paper will quote from these authorities and thanks is here given for direct advice furnished and for permission given to use information contained in bulletins written by Dr. Thomas E. Snyder, Chief Entomologist, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Dr. Ernest E. Hubert, Professor of Forestry of the University of Idaho, Dr. Hermann Von Schrenk, Consulting Timber Engineer and many others. A book by Maurice Maeterlinck, Belgian author, entitled "The Life of the White Ant," contains valuable information about the termites and the subject is handled in such a manner that the book reads like fiction, although it is based strictly on scientific facts. In quoting hereafter the writer will make no attempt to be scientific as he feels that this subject is a real problem for the architect and that it should be faced in a work-a-day manner.

Termites and fungi are in no way related as the former are insects and the latter are plants; however, they are so often found in the same locations, and damage caused by them is so similar that it seems advisable to consider them as one subject. Also preventative measures which suffice for one are satisfactory for the other in most cases.

Termites are true insects, and are not ants, although they are often spoken of as "white ants" and sometimes as "flying ants." They are related to the cockroaches but in appearance they resemble the ants more than they do the cockroaches. Unlike the ants, they live entirely under cover and except during the swarming period they are not likely to be seen unless the wood in which they live is broken into. Their

food is almost entirely cellulose which is digested by the help of certain organisms contained in their digestive tracts, and they are one of the few forms of insects which can live on both live and dead wood. They are found in all parts of the globe except the very coldest and while they thrive best in the tropics, there are some forty or more species native to the United States and in all but three or four States they have been known to cause damage.

Termites have lived on this earth for many millions of years as witnessed by fossils found in the oldest geological formations, and the species with which we are concerned were probably here long before man appeared. In some parts of the world they are mound builders, in others they are satisfied to build subterranean homes, while there are some species which live entirely above ground in comparatively dry wood. In this country we have two general divisions, the subterranean species and the non-subterranean species. The latter have not become general, in fact they are almost unknown except in the most southern parts of the United States, which is fortunate for if they should become numerous it would be a difficult matter to combat them because of their habit of attacking wood at any height above the ground. The subterranean species cannot live without contact with moisture and as this contact is usually made with moist earth, the methods of prevention have to do with separating the structural frame of a building from the earth.

Originally termites confined their activities to trees and other growing plants, but perhaps due to the destruction of forests or perhaps because in many of our modern buildings we have made the wood more accessible they now seem to be leaving the forests and are becoming more prevalent in the cities. Termites live in colonies much as do the ants and the bees, and even more than the others, the termites have developed a high order of community life which has its kings and queens, its workers, its soldiers and other castes. Each colony is self-sufficient and no connection is maintained with any other colony, nor is there any permanent opening to the outside world. The colony usually lives in the ground or in the roots of trees, and at times may have excavations many feet in depth. It is this characteristic which makes them difficult to eradicate. As they live entirely in the dark none of the castes have eyes, except those few which develop both eyes and wings at the swarming period.

In locating food, termites show an almost uncanny knowledge or instinct and in order to reach it they often show an engineering ability which is hard to believe. They seem able to sense wood at a considerable distance, as for instance the sills of a building resting on masonry a foot or more from the earth, or the joists and flooring some inches higher, and having located this food supply they soon get access to it, always remaining under cover however. If the masonry is defective they may build their runways along the cracks or even through the mortar, but if the masonry is of good quality they will build passage tubes composed of a secretion, mixed with sand and particles of wood, in order to span the non-edible area. It

is known that they sometimes build free-standing tubes extending up from the earth as high as eighteen inches in order to reach the bottom of joists.

When contact has been made at one or more places in the wood construction, the workers run channels as far as necessary in order to supply food to the colony. These channels are usually run well within the timber following the softer parts of the annular rings and for this reason a piece of wood may be practically consumed without there being any surface indication. Perhaps the first intimation one may have of the presence of termites will be the failure of a floor or through having a door fall out of its jambs. Or perhaps one may lift a book or magazine and find that there is nothing there except the exterior surfaces.

Only at one time in the year do any members of the termite colony become visible voluntarily, namely at the swarming period, which usually occurs in the Spring or Fall and always in warm weather. This phenomenon corresponds to the periodic swarming of bees, and there is a similar period in the life cycle of most of the true ants. At this time the termite colony which is normally a colony of blind neutrals suddenly develops castes which are complete with eyes, wings and sexual organs, and strangely enough, these castes open a passage to the outside and emerge to flutter feebly for a short distance with the wind. It is this winged caste which is sometimes spoken of as "flying ants." They are the only means of forming new colonies, as the main colony will usually remain in one location as long as the food supply is sufficient, although they will travel a hundred yards or more to reach food, and may even move the colony to be near a new food supply.

So much for the picture, but what are we going to do about it, and how? First we should study all available data on the subject in order to inform ourselves and so as to be able to advise others. Then we should put into practice, in our own work, the methods of prevention and cure which have been found effective by trained investigators. Also we should assist the building departments of the various cities in broadcasting information and advice, and should see that the building codes of the cities contain recommendations on the subject and, if possible, rules to prevent poor construction. Some of the basic recommendations made by scientific and by practical investigators are as follows, and as they require only a small additional cost when the building is constructed, and may save an enormous expense for repairs if omitted, it seems that any architect who fails to profit by the experience of others and who fails to observe these suggestions is not fair to himself nor to his client.

In new construction, no stumps or logs should be left under or near the building and no form lumber or stakes should be left in the ground. All scraps of lumber and shavings should be removed from under the building, and a final inspection made after the last sub-contractor has left. Termites are attracted to all such debris and after that is consumed they will naturally attack the nearest wood in the building.

In buildings with basements it is unwise to use

untreated wood posts unless they have iron base plates above floor. In no case should old lumber be allowed to accumulate in a basement without careful periodic examination.

No untreated timbers should be placed in contact with the earth, nor within twelve inches of it, and even at that distance they should be well ventilated and set on good cement foundations.

No built-up or spliced members should be used in the first story construction unless well above grade, and the ends of joists resting in masonry should not be built-in without ventilation.

As much light and ventilation as possible should be given under the building and special attention should be given to ventilation at the external corners to avoid "dead spots."

Earth filled terraces near house walls should be avoided unless the wood framing can be entirely cut off from all contact by metal or rich cement.

Wood sleepers, wood floors, and wood partition plates should not be used on concrete slabs resting on earth, unless the wood is treated.

Only cement mortar should be used for foundation walls and piers and these should be capped with metal shields or with rich cement at least one inch thick. In locations known to be infested the metal shields should be placed on all pipes as well as on all masonry supports.

If stucco is used on the exterior of masonry walls care should be taken that a perfect bond be formed between the stucco and the wall with no crevices to form passages for the termites.

The use of coal-tar is recommended for use in filling all cracks in masonry or concrete and for spreading on the earth at the point of contact with masonry.

In the case of repair or replacement work, the above suggestions will apply according to the particular problem. If termite attack has begun all infested wood should be removed and burned, then the wood frame should be completely isolated from the earth, and only treated lumber used for replacement. Any termites left in the building will die if contact with the earth is prevented. If "flying ants" are observed it is a sure sign that there are one or more termite colonies near at hand and immediate action is recommended.

Both in new construction and in repair work it is a wise precaution to break up the ground under the building and sprinkle it thoroughly with a ten percent solution of sodium arsenite, but care should be exercised and this solution should be used only as recommended by the Government Bulletins.

Fungi

Fungi take many forms, some of which are beautiful and almost startling in form and color, such as the tree fungi and the "dutchman's pipe, the "toad-stools" and other ground forms which often have the most vivid coloration. Then there are the edible forms, the mushrooms, which are not so beautiful nor as fantastic. The species which are destructive to wood, however, are not edible and are not at all beautiful, in fact they are generally almost invisible and when seen are almost repulsive. These forms are the cause of the condition in wood known as "dry-rot," a condition in which the wood takes on a dry, crumbly appearance and first breaks up into

"cubes," then disintegrates entirely.

Decay in wood is never due to a "spontaneous oxidation process," or to "action of the elements," but is always the result of the breaking down action of fungus growths, and while the condition is often called "dry-rot" this cannot be brought about without a certain amount of moisture. Fungi, being plants, although of a low order, require for growth four things, namely:—(a) An abundant food supply, (b) favorable temperatures, (c) sufficient oxygen, and (d) sufficient moisture. For food, wood of any variety is sufficient. Temperatures such as prevail in the United States are satisfactory except perhaps in the northern parts during the winter. Oxygen is usually available in any building construction. Moisture, while probably the most important necessity for growth, is luckily the easiest condition to control in a building. Fungi will not live in wood which is completely submerged in water, nor will it live if the wood is "bone-dry," however there are degrees of moisture lying between these extremes which are often found in buildings.

Moisture may originate in a leaky water or steam pipe, or from a refrigerator, or from a broken rain water conductor, or it may come from condensation due to lack of ventilation or where wood is in contact with masonry or concrete slabs. Many architects have had experiences with decay of wood floors laid on sleepers even where the construction is several stories above ground, and perhaps have found that dampness was caused by the presence of steam pipes or water pipes which caused condensation.

Fungi plants are propagated from spores produced on the fruiting bodies, or from secondary spores emanating from the thread-like roots, or The life history of a plant is from contact. briefly thus:-The spores, which are invisible to the naked eye, germinate, much as any seed does, after contact is made with wood containing the proper amount of moisture. Tiny threads, corresponding to roots then grow and branch out, penetrating the wood tissue by dissolving their way through the cell walls and cells. Soon the wood becomes networked with these threads and begins to soften and decay. After decay has progressed for some time a fruiting body, or flower, appears on the outside of the timber, but attention is called to the fact that this fruiting body does not appear until the fungus has done most of its damage, and the roots may have progressed in the wood far beyond the point at which the fruiting body appears. It is this fact which makes it practically impossible to remove all infected lumber from a building in which the fungus has made much progress. Fungus plants do not need to have contact with the earth, although they do sometimes have stalks as large as a man's arm running up into a vine-like growth hundreds of square feet in area, concealed within floor construction and in walls. After growth has commenced the plant seems to attract to itself moisture out of the air sufficient to maintain life.

As wood destroying fungi are found almost everywhere it is only fair to suppose that practically

every piece of lumber is exposed to the possibility of infection at some time between the time it is cut from the log until it is used in the building. The spores seem capable of remaining alive almost indefinitely if kept in a dry condition, and of starting to germinate as soon as conditions are favorable, therefore it seems only to be necessary that we prevent the possibility of suitable growing conditions, in order to prevent damage from fungi. Many of us have used lumber all of our lives and many of us live and practice in parts of the country where forest products are one of our largest industries. Most of us wish to continue to use lumber and with proper precautions there is no reason why we should not do so.

If space permitted, the writer could describe personal experiences and observations which might save him from being thought the pessimist or alarmist which he is likely to be called on account of this article. His only defense is that he knows of his own knowledge the damage which may result when a building becomes infected, and because remedies and preventatives are now known, which were not known or not available a few years ago when most of the experiences were encountered, it seems only a professional duty to warn of the dangers and tell of the remedies. It is a comparatively easy matter to prevent fungus infection, but it is almost an impossibility to eradicate it after it has made a good start. The same recommendations made for prevention and eradication of termites apply in the case of fungi, except of course the metal shields, but some of the recommendations might be repeated for emphasis, as follows:-

In new construction all lumber used should be dry when set unless it is in a position where it will be dried by the air. No untreated lumber should be allowed to come in contact with the earth, or with walls which are liable to remain damp. Ventilation should be adequate on all sides and ends of wood members especially at the lower side of sills and wall plates resting on masonry. Untreated lumber should not be used for wood sleepers, nor for the flooring placed on them, nor for furring on masonry walls. Sash and doors, especially on the north side of a building, should be carefully primed all over with paint or some other protective material, before they are glazed and on the edges after they are fitted.

In the case of repairs, it is especially recommended that all infected wood be carefully removed and burned; that if possible all wood be removed for several feet, beyond where the infection is visible. Also it is a wise precaution to inject some antiseptic solution into all spaces in the walls or floors so as to cover the surface of the wood. No untreated wood should be used in replacement, as the spores are carried completely through the construction frame by every movement of air currents.

Lumber Treatment

The term "Treated-Lumber" as used in this paper refers to lumber which has had a treatment of some chemical, or mixture of chemicals, with the intention of making it immune to attack by termites and fungi. There is no species of wood used for construction which is not subject to attack, although such woods as red cedar, cypress, redwood and dense yellow pine seem to be less liable than some of the others. All species of wood can be treated so as to be practically immune to attack and these treatments differ with the kind of wood and with the purpose for which the wood is to be used.

Preservation of wood has been the subject of a vast amount of laboratory and field investigation on the part of some of the best trained chemists and scientists in the whole world and a great deal has been published on the subject. Railroad and telegraph companies have spent long years and millions of dollars developing materials which will prolong the life of the wood used by them. We, however, are especially interested in the preservation of such wood as is used in framing and finishing our buildings, therefore methods, and in a way, materials do not concern us as much as the ability to get treated lumber when it is needed.

Treatment to be effective must penetrate the lumber completely, or else each saw-cut or other break in the surface must be re-treated. Brushing or blowing on of a material rarely penetrates sufficiently to be effective, and is liable to leave ends or other untreated surfaces open for attack. Dipping has been recommended and is effective in many cases, if the work is carefully done, but unless it is done in a thorough way it is little better than brushing. All of these methods are liable to dry out or "leach" under ordinary conditions met in service. There may be dipping or other methods which have been perfected and in use in some parts of the United States, but the writer has not seen them nor can he get any definite information. The only positive method of treatment known, at least in the territory in which this is written, is that method known as pressure treatment.

Materials used for preserving wood are varied, the most common being coal-tar creosote, which is thoroughly effective, but wood treated with creosote cannot be painted and when used in a dwelling some objection may be raised because of the odor. Creosoted lumber will also leach

termites and by fungi.

dwelling some objection may be raised because of the odor. Creosoted lumber will also leach through plaster or soft wood trim which comes in contact with it. The Department of Agricul-ture has worked out several formulae of which five percent zinc chloride or three percent sodium fluoride solutions seem to be the most available for general use. Several large manufacturers have perfected materials and methods of treatment which seem after tests of several years to be satisfactory for all purposes. In this territory, at least, it is possible to get lumber treated with a combination of zinc-meta-arsenite, which may be painted, sawed and worked as easily as untreated wood, and which has no odor after installation. Other manufacturers are prepared to make available for our use wood treated to serve every purpose and all that we have to do to encourage them is to use their materials where conditions warrant our doing so, and to be prepared to advise the general building public of the advantages of preventing damage from attack by

MELLEN C. GREELEY, A. I. A. ARCHITECT

S. RALPH FETNER

ROOM 500-No, 218 WEST ADAMS ST.

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

June 12, 1934.

Mr. Ernest John Russell, President American Institute of Architects, The Octagon, 1741 New York Avenue, Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Russell:

This is a somewhat late acknowledgement of your letter of May 24, in which you notified me of my advancement to Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

It is entirely beyond my ability to express in words my feelings on this advancement and all that I can say is that I will devote my entire life to trying to be worthy of the honor which the Institute has conferred.

I also wish to thank you personally for your letter conveying the information and also pledge to you personally my support in all of your activities for the Institute.

Mellen C. Greeley

purs very sincerely,

MCG: PGP



MELLEN C. GREELEY, A. I. A.

ARCHITECT

ROOM 500-No, 218 WEST ADAMS ST.
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

october 15,1934.



Mr. E.C.Kemper, Executive Secretary, American Institute of Architects, 1741 New York Avenue, N.W., washington. D.C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:-

S. RALPH FETNER

May I take a few moments of your time from the really worth while matters of the Institute and get you to give me an opinion on a matter which is not at all important to anyone but myself?

It is necessary for me to have some new stationary printed and naturally I want to show the new title of which I am proud, however I do not know the proper way to show it and am turning to you who probably have seen the way in which others in my place handle the matter, and will appreciate it very much if you will give me your advice.

The inclosed proposed title heads for stationery, Nos. 1,2, and 3 are ways which have occured to me and I would like to have your criticism of them of if you know of a better form, I would like to know of it. Of the three submitted, the No. 3, seems to me to be most appropriate, but please be frank and critical.

I hate to ask you how things are getting along in your office, and perhaps it will be best to simply say that I hope for the best, and that you are not as badly overworked as you were when I was there a few weeks ago.

Thanks in advance for your help,

Melly Chily

October 31, 1934.

Dear Mr. Greeley:

This is the first moment since getting back to make a further response to yours of October 15th.

After long experience with letterheads of Institute members, I can say that anyone of the three forms you indicate has ample precedent and is good form.

My own preference would be for No. 1, especially if there could be something to balance it on the right side.

But perhaps I am biased by a feeling that the erchitect, as a rule, is too modest about his qualifications and honors. It seems to me that No. 1 will set out to the layman to the best advantage information which he should have.

Things are going better at The Octagon, and I was able to get away for a breathing spell at the end of the summer.

We are now getting ready for the fall Board meeting, which will come shortly after December 1st.

We will all feel much better if and when the Architects' Code is approved. It has surely been a difficult undertaking. The Code Committee, headed by Mr. Parker, deserves the gratitude of the whole profession, regardless of the outcome.

Now that we have things better in hand, please command if there is any way in which we might be of assistance to you here in Washington.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Mellen C. Greeley, F. A. I. A., Room 500 - 218 West Adams Street, Jacksonville, Florida.

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MELLEN C. GREELEY ARCHITECT JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

FELLOW
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SUITE 925 BARNETT NATIONAL BANK BUILDING

April 2, 1938



Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary, The Octagon, Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

It suddenly dawned on me this morning that my dues for 1938 had not been paid, and, as I hope to represent my Chapter at New Orleans I want to be in proper order.

Check is enclosed for the years dues which I hope will be acceptable although the dead line apparently has passed.

Hoping to see you in New Orleans,

I am,

Sincerely

Mellen C. Greeley

MCG/P

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS 1741 New York Avenue, N. W. Washington 6, D. C.

December 6, 1955

NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

Effective Date - December 1, 1955

TO: Transferred Member:

Mr. Mellen C. Greeley, F.A.I.A.

218 West Church Street Jacksonville 2, Florida

Secretary of Chapter To Which Member is Transferred Mr. A. Eugene Cellar, Secretary Jacksonville Chapter, A.I.A.

1404 Belvedere Avenue Jacksonville, Florida

Secretary of Chapter From Which Member Is Transferred

Mr. James A. Meehan, Jr., Secretary Florida North Chapter, A.I.A. 1974 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville 7% Florida

In accordance with Chapter II, Article 1, Section 7 of the By-laws of The Institute this will advise that the above-named corporate member has been transferred as indicated, and as a Charter Member.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

Copy to the Secretary,

Florida Association of Architects, A.I.A.

Theology, Mills C.

January 30, 1956

Mr. A. Eugene Cellar, Secretary Jacksonville Chapter, A.I.A. 502 Riverside Avenue Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Cellar:

On behalf of The Secretary, Edward L. Wilson, I am responding to your inchiry of January 26th, with regard to procedure to be followed in securing a Membership Emeritus status in The Institute for Mr. Mellen C. Greeley, F.A.I.A.

This election as a Member Emeritus is initiated upon the request of the member who is required to fill out, sign and file the form which is attached.

As you will note, this form also sets forth the requirements for eligibility for this membership. Mr. Greeley was elected to corporate membership in 1921 and, if he can comply with one or the other of the age requirements, then he will be eligible.

Upon receipt of such application it must be submitted to The Board of Examiners for consideration and its recommendation, in turn, to The Board of Directors for final action.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on February 14th, and if the signed application is received by then it can be presented to that Board at that meeting. This would permit final action by the end of February. Otherwise, the next meeting of The Board of Examiners would be in March.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Florence E. Gervais Secretary of Membership and Records

Enclosure

MELLEN C. GREELEY

FELLOW OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

6457 POTTSBURG DRIVE JACKSONVILLE 11, FLORIDA

January 16, 1058

The American Institute of Architects, 1735 New York Ave., N.W. Washington, 6, D.

Gentlemen;

Please send me duplicate copies of the proper forms in connection with request for transfer from Active Corporate membership to Emeritus Membership in the A.I.A. In conversation with Mr. Fred Bucky, Secretary of the Jacksonville Chapter, I was informed that the Form desired is probably to be found in;

> BY-LAW Chapter Art. 2, Sect 6. (a) by reason of age above 65.(I am 78)

Copy; Mr. Bucky

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP EMERITUS

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS:

I wish to apply for Membership Emeritus in The Institute for the following reasons:

- I am more than 70 years of age. 78 Born Feb. 14, 1880.
- I am 65 years of age, retired, and not engaged in the practice of architecture.
- c. I am unable to engage in any gainful vocation.

I have been in good standing in The Institute and the for 15 successive years or more immediately preceding the date of this application.

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Respectfully

Date

January 23,

Mellon C, Greeley, FAIA

The applicant may supplement the above reasons in writing below or on sheets which he shall attach to this application. Under exceptional conditions and circumstances, The Board of Directors may lessen the period of good standing but not the requirements of a, b, or c.

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

NOTICE OF ELECTION—MEMBER EMERITUS

To Meller G. Greeley, P.A.L.A.

It is my privilege to advise you that The Board of Directors has conferred upon you the title

MEMBER EMERITUS

of The American Institute of Architects and of its component organizations of which you are a member, exempting you from the payment of annual dues to The Institute and such organizations, effective 2017 2, 2018

Date March &

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FLORIDA ARCHITECT PRESENTED "EMERITUS CERTIFICATE" OF NCARB

Jacksonville Architect Mellon C. Greeley, F.A.I.A., center, was presented an "Emeritus Certificate" voted by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards Convention in Chicago to be given certain past presidents. Architect Harry Burns, left, President of the Florida Association of A.I.A., and Architect Robert Darby, right, president of the Jacksonville Chapter of A.I.A. made the presentation at Mr. Greeley's home in Jacksonville last week. Mr. Greeley is 89 years of age. He was President of NCARB in 1939, 40 and 41. He was a founder of NCARB and the Florida Association of Architects. He, with four other architects, drafted the initial Florida Architects' Law in 1915. He served on the Florida State Board of Architecture for forty-two years. He is the respected Dean of Florida Architects.

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ARCHITECT IS HONORED IN JACKSONVILLE

In a special tribute entitled "A Century of Love—A Living Hertage," the Jacksonville Chapter AIA recently honored its most venerable member, Mellet C. Greeley, FAIA, with a glimer celebrating his 100th birthday.

Greeley received a special citation from AIA President Charles E. Schwing, FAIA, for his "commitment to the architecture of Florida and his distinguished service to the profession."

∯ a he keen, active centenarian became—in 1934—the first ⊮acksonville native elevated to the AIA College of Fellows.

Born when Rutherford B. Hayes was U.S. President, Greeley served in the Army in Cuba during the Spanish-American War (1898-99) and as a captain with U.S. expeditionary forces in France during World War I. He had worked for architects in Jacksonville and New York before opening his own firm in Jacksonville in 1909. He continued to practice until retiring in 1955.

During his career, Greeley designed many notable Florida homes and buildings, including the Church of the Good Shepherd in Jacksonville. He twice served as president of his local AIA chapter and as secretary/treasurer of the Florida State Board of Architecture (1939-55). In 1939-41, he was president of the National Council of Architectural Boards.

AIA HONORS LEROY M. CAMPBELL WITH YOUNG CITATION

The Institute will present its 1980 Whitney M. Young Jr. Citation posthumously to Washington (D.C.) architect and community leader Leroy M. Campbell, AIA, who died in 1977.

Named in honor of the late civil rights and urban leader, the citation recognizes the "significant contributions of an architect or architecturally oriented organization toward meeting the profession's responsibility to the social issues of today." It will be presented to the 1980 recipient's widow at the Cincinnati convention, June 1-4.

Campbell, a pioneer in the black/white venture of the 1960s, had been cited by Whitney Young and the National Urban League for his leadership role in the black executive exchange program for which he had lectured without pay at black colleges about architecture. He also helped provide affordable housing for many low-income persons.

U.S. Del. Walter E. Fauntroy (D-D.C.) described Campbell as "one of the primary forces in shaping and executing the Shaw Urban Renewal Plan, a model for rebuilding the urban decayed areas of Washington. He was one of our most sensitive and socially responsible architects..."

A native of New York City, Campbell received his architecture degree from Howard University in 1951. He established his firm, Sulton Campbell & Associates Chartered, in 1964 and consistently served as an instrument of change during his remaining 13 years of practice.

After the 1968 riots destroyed major black sections of Washington, Campbell's firm spearheaded restoration efforts and made significant contributions toward rebuilding and improving the capital city. His firm designed major housing projects as well as the Harambee House Hotel near Howard University.

A charter member and president of the National Organization of Minority Architects, Campbell also served on the AIA's Housing Committee, the AIA Foundation board, and was chairman of the Institute's Resolutions Committee. Throughout his professional affairs, he strived to show "young blacks that the doors of architecture are open to all."

"His career served as an example of great encouragement to younger black architects and his impact on the whole profession of architecture was significant," said Colden Florance, president of the Washington Metropolitan Chapter/AIA.

Former AIA vice president Robert J. Nash, FAIA, said: "He was a winner, a leader and a team player. No tribute is too great for this giant and brother of our profession."

AIA SELECTS 9 HONORARY FELLOWS

Nine distinguished foreign architects will be invested as honorary fellows of the Institute at the 1980 national convention. They are:

—John Hamilton Andrews, award-winning Australian designer who formerly taught and practiced in Toronto;

—Gilbert R. Beatson, president of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, whose Calgary firm has completed more than 50 major recreational projects;

—Adolf Ciborowski of Warsaw, who has received worldwide recognition for his expertise in reconstruction of cities destroyed by war or earthquakes; —Rafael de La-Hoz, a leading Spanish designer of government, residential and educa-

—Norman Foster of London, the only architect to twice receive the R.S. Reynolds Memorial Award (in 1976 and 1979);
—Leandro V. Locsin of Manila, noted for designing concrete structures that reflect the multicultural and tropical climate of the Philippines;

tional facilities;

—Kington Loo of Malaysia, who has created a wide range of innovative architecture—from an international airport to the national zoo in Kuala Lumpur;

—Fumihiko Maki, author/urban engineering lecturer in Tokyo and prolific designer of buildings throughout Japan, who formerly taught at Harvard and practiced in New York City;

—Richard Joachim Sahl of West Germany, internationally renowned specialist in health care planning.



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September 10, 1981

Ms. Maureen Marx, Membership Procedures American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Ms. Marx:

I regret to inform you that Mellen C. Greeley, FAIA, Emeritus Member of our Chapter, passed away on Friday, September 4, 1981.

I am enclosing copies of local newspaper articles regarding Mr. Greeley. He helped organize the Florida State Board of Architecture and was secretary-treasurer from 1923 to 1955.

Sincerely,

Kenneth R. Smith, AIA

Secretary

KRS:rt

cc: Mr. Russell Gustafson

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Architect Mellen Greeley dies

Designer of churches, schools, homes was 101

By BARBARA WHITE Journal Staff Writer.

Architect Mellen Greeley, 101, designer of many older churches, schools, office buildings and homes in Jacksonville during a career that spanned 50 years, died today.

One of the churches Mr. Greeley designed and built was St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Atlantic Boulevard. It was his parish church and Mr. Greeley will be buried from it.

Although he did not have a degree in architecture, Mr. Greeley worked for the law that made. Florida the fifth state to require examination and licensing for architects, He was one of the founders in 1912 of the Florida Association of Architects, serving as president in 1931, 1932 and 1946.

When Mr. Greeley reached the age of 100, he told interviewers he credited his long life to:

• "Behaving myself and doing to others what I would have them do to me — the Golden Rule."

"Heredity." His father, he said, was a "damn Yankee" who lived into his 80s.

• A pacemaker and being careful with his diet. "I have never smoked, except one cigarette since I tried one. I've been very easy on the booze and that's about it."

As an architect he preferred to be practical rather than set a trend.

"I would rather be remembered for service to my profession and to the public," he once said.

Mr. Greeley was born on Feb. 14, 1880, in the home of his parents, now the site of the Burns Library.

He attended Lawrenceville School in New Jersey and volun-



MELLEN GREELEY
"Fell into" architecture

teered for the Spanish-American War.

In 1901 he returned to Jacksonville. After a few years of odd jobs, he job-hunted his way into architecture.

"I fell into it," Mr. Greeley was quoted as saying in 1976 when he presented nearly 50 years worth of Jacksonville architecture in blue-prints, photographs and drawings to the Jacksonville Historical Society. He answered a want ad, he said and became an office boy for architect William Hawkins. He worked for Hawkins for eight years, content to be mostly a draftsman.

"That was all the training I ever had," Mr. Greeley said in 1976. "I learned by doing. That's a very hard thing to do in a profession."

In 1905 he designed and supervised the work on a house of his own at the corner of Oak and Barrs streets. He lived there for 36 years.

In 1941 he moved to a home he designed and built overlooking the Arlington River. After his retirement in 1960 he devoted himself to his garden.

He was married to Alice Seeley for 64 years until her death in 1968.

During these early years Mr. Greeley supervised the construction of St. Luke's Hospital.

In 1909 he opened his own architectural office.

Mr. Greeley is credited with designing more than 150 homes. "I lost track of how many," he once said. "I tried to build a house that was comfortable and suited the needs of the owners."

His favorite project was the Church of the Good Shepherd, 1100 Stockton St., started in 1917 and finally completed this year with the building of a cloister from the church to the parish house.

Among his other works are the Jacksonville Woman's Club on Riverside Avenue, the Swaim Memorial Methodist Church and All Saints Episcopal Church, as well as Kirby-Smith and John Gorrie junior high schools. He designed a total of 13 churches, four clubs, 15 schools, two libraries, 21 businesses buildings, and six apartments.

He was secretary-treasurer of the Florida State Board of Architecture, president of the National Council of the Architectural Restoration board, an AIA Fellow and a member of the Jacksonville City Planning Board.

Survivors include his daughter, Mrs. Frank O. Miller; son-in-law, R.S. Payne; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete. Kyle-McLellan Funeral Home, 17 W. Union St., is in charge.

Mellen Greeley, dean of local architects, dies

By Cynthia Parks **Times-Union Staff Write**

Architect Mellen Clark Greeley is dead. But the good that men build lives after them.

Mr. Greeley died yesterday in a nursing home after a short illness. He was 101.

For a man who says he got into architecture "through the back door" he was not above a sly pun - Mr. Greeley made an imprint on this town.

He was not the innovator H.J. Klutho was, but his body of work stretches from rebuilding a burnedout city to serving on the

City Planning Advisory Board.

He built hospitals, clubs, churches, schools, low-rent housing, warehouses, a post office and residences "too many to enumerate," he once wrote.

Younger colleagues remember him as supportive.

When architect Robert Broward was a student, he wanted to meet Mr. Greeley, then secretary-treasurer of the Florida State Board of Architecture that he had helped or

Mr. Greeley encouraged Broward in his studies, and Broward said, "I knew then he was somebody special. He had more integrity than anybody I know, and he had re- Mr. Greeley's back-door entry into architecture began spect for his colleagues."

Architect Ted Pappas recalls his freshman year, when



Frank Smith/Staff

Mellen Clark Greeley (left) died yesterday morning after a short illness. He was 101. Greeley, who designed many Jacksonville buildings, including The Church of the Good Shepherd (top), was known as "the granddaddy to architects in Jacksonville."

he apprenticed to a firm in offices close to Mr. Greelev. "I was impressed that he treated a green young architect with dignity and concern.

Much later, Pappas would attend Mr. Greeley's 100th birthday party given by the Jacksonville chapter of the American Institute of Architects. When Pappas shook Grelley's hand, Pappas said, "I don't suppose you remember me. . . . "...

Mr. Greeley interposed that he did indeed remember Pappas and had kept up with his work.

"He was the granddaddy to architects in Jacksonville. He maintained contact throughout his life," said Pappas.

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when he answered a newspaper ad placed by architect J.H.W. Hawkins soon after the great fire of 1901 Mr. Greeley was promised "valuable information" in lieu of a salary, and he spent the first week unpacking drawings. Hawkins gave him \$5 and valuable information.

After apprenticing to Hawkins and other architects, Mr. Greeley, in 1908. was given the task by a Boston firm of supervising the building of St. Luke's Hospital

That was his first big job, and he expressed amazement that he got it because several other architects were in town by then, including Klutho, a student of Frank Lloyd Wright. Klutho had arrived while the fire was still smoking and gotten a number of important commissions.

Mr. Greeley was a native, born in a house at the corner of Adams and Ocean streets. But the first home he remembered was Benvenito, a fenced five-acre riverfront tract and a big house at what is now 123 Riverside

He was a motherless boy lonely amusements were simple.

He liked watching the masted schooners and barkentines slide along the St. Johns River, and when a market boat capsized and sent watermelons bobbing to shore, he liked that even better. Raised in a firm Presbyterian family, he spent quiet Sundays reading or looking at stereographs.

But mostly he loved building miniature gardens and shadow boxes holes he dug in the sand and lined with bits of china and glass and flowers, then covered with a pane of

In later years he wrote a charming journal, Musings of Mellen Clark Greeley, Written in his Anec-dotage. in which he tells of building a lily pond at Benvenito and stocking it with a rare plant - the water hyacinth - but he denies credit for its later proliferation.

Jacksonville University professor and author George Hallam developed a deep friendship with Mr. Greeley when interviewing him for a book, Riverside Remembered. Hallam used so many of Mr. Greeley's memories in it that he made Mr. Greeley the main character, the thread that strung together the whole Riverside experience.

As a corporal in the Spanish-American War, Mr. Greeley saw the Maine sunk in the Havana harbor, and watched the Spanish flag pulled down and the American flag raised at Matanzas.

He liked the military, and when he came home, he joined the Jacksonville Light Infantry. One of his early assignments as quartermaster sergeant was to arm the troops to prevent looting when the 1901 fire was sweeping the town

Cumbered with weapons, he ran outside the arsenal and found it was on fire. All exits were blocked except a route down Market Street to the river.

With several others he ran to the Florida Yacht Club, then out on its dock. Behind him the club was burning, and the dock caught fire. A heavy pall of smoke obscured the river. Sud-denly, the Cummer family yacht Edith came into sight, and rescued the group.

Nine years later, Mr. Greeley would capture much the same social set when he built the Florida Country Club on the riverfront in Ortega. The Florida Times-Union called the golf club one of the strongest social clubs in the state when it opened June 4, 1910. Mr. Greeley also built the Woman's Club of Jacksonville on Riverside Avenue.

He designed five churches, including Church of the Good Shepherd on Stockton Street, and the church he attended, St. Paul's Episcopal on Atlantic Boulevard.

The schools he built include old Stanton High on Ashley Street, John Gorrie and Kirby-Smith in partner-

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ship with Roy Benjamin, and several elementary schools.

Greeley bent federal regulations in 1931 and built the St. Augustine Post Office with native coquina, the compressed-shell material used by Spanish colonists. When Washington bridled, Greeley replied, "I believe it will endure."

It did, and today it is called Government House and is exhibit and office space for the Historic St. Augustine Preservation Board.

The dean of Jacksonville archi-

The dean of Jacksonville architects, Mr. Greeley was honored in 1964 with the Gold Medal.

In 1968 the Jacksonville chapter named the Mellen C. Greeley Craftsmanship Award, which has gone to marble cutters, brick masons, glass

workers and others who do their work well.

Two years ago, when Mr. Greeley was 99, he acted as project consultant to finish a job he had started in 1917 on the Church of the Good Shepherd. He assisted Charles Pattillo of Drake, Pattillo & Associates on the fifth and last stage of the project, a cloister between the church and its parish hall.

"Can you imagine using 60-year-old drawings and finishing the work you started then?" said Pattillo. "That cloister was his design."

Pattillo said the "most flattering thing in the world to me" was Mr. Greeley's insistence that Pattillo lead the work.

Steve Tool, director of Historic Landmarks Commission, went to see Mr. Greeley last veer

tape recorder and a ton of questions, he said. They talked four hours.

"I kind of fell in love with the man," Tool said. "He was so vibrant at 100! He was able to tell me, right off the bat, the buildings he had done with Benjamin, or what he had done alone. He was such a straightforward person."

"Mel and I often talked about death," Hallam said. "Although a churchgoer, he didn't believe in the hereafter. He did believe that at death a spark would be left. His notion was that a man is measured finally by the deeds he does. His contribution to society is what makes for immortality."

Mr. Greeley survived his wife, the former Alice Seeley. For 40 years Mr. Greeley lived with his daughter Phyl-

lls, now deceased, and his son-in-law, Richard Paine, at Rivermarshes on Pottsburg Creek tintil he went to a nursing home July 29. He loved his camellias, a family of raccoons and writing "anec-dotage" from a rich past.

His other daughter, Mrs. Frank O. Miller, lives in Cape Girardeau, Mo. He had seven grandchildren.

Mr. Greeley had requested that any friends wanting to give a memorial make the gifts to the Mellen Greeley Scholarship Fund, Jacksonville chapter, AIA, or the St. Paul's Episcopal Church memorial fund.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 5536 Atlantic Blvd.

Kyle-McLellan, 17 W. Union St., is in charge of arrangements.

great grandchildren. Memorials may be made to St. Paul's Episcopal Church or the Mellen C. Greeley, age 10°, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday in with The Rev. James B. Orth officiating, Interment will be in Oaklawn Ceme-St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Atlantic Blvd., tery. Mr. Greeley died Friday. He was a communicant of St. Paul's Episcopal - Funeral services for Mellen C Church, and a well known retired architect. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Frank O. Miller, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; a son-in-law, R. S. Paine, Jr., Jack-4 grandchildren; and 7 Greeley Scholarship Fund of the Florida Chapter of he A.I.A. Arrangements sonville; a niece, Mrs. Hel-en D. Baker, Jacksonville; by Kyle-McLellan, 17 GREELEY Union St



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Ms. Stephanie Cormier Byrnes American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Ms. Byrnes:

Enclosed are completed Baldwin Memorial Archives records form for Mellen C. Greeley, FAAIA, with copies of several articles about Mr. Greeley, as per your request.

Sincerely,

Kenneth R. Smith, AIA

Secretary.

Florida Association, AIA - With copies of Baldwin Memorial Archives records form. Mr. James E. Clements - Letter only

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BALDWIN MEMORIAL ARCHIVE of American Architects

Name: Mellen Clark Greeley

of (address) 6457 Pottsburg Drive

Jacksonville, Florida

Born: February 14, 1880 at Jacksonville

Died: September 4, 1981 at Jacksonville

Parents: Jonathan C. Greeley

and Leonora Keep Greeley

Married: Alice Driggs Seeley (deceased)

Jacksonville

on June 22, 1905

Children: Two daughters (Phyllis Paine, deceased; Barbara Miller, Cape Girardeau, Mo.)

Education: Lawrenceville (New Jersey) School 1898; no degree taken.

Training; and practice as Principal: (Firm Names, Places, Dates, Specialization)

J. H. W. Hawkins; Jacksonville; July 1901 - Sept. 1908; Draftsman Henry C. Pelton; New York; Sept. 1908 - April 1909; Architect.

Self-employed; Jacksonville; 1909-1918; Architect.

Greeley & Benjamin; Jacksonville; 1919-1924; Architectural Partnership

Self-employed; Jacksonville; 1924-1960; Architect.

Professional Memberships and Service: (Institute and Chapter Activities; Teaching)

Registered Architect, State of Florida (Registration No. 26).

American Institute of Architects Corporate Member - 1921.

Fellow - American Institute of Architects (May 15, 1934); Member Emeritus (July 1, 1958).

One of founders and charter member of Florida Association/American Institute of Architects - 1912; served as President - 1921. (Continued on attached statements) (Continued on attached sheet)

Other Affiliations: (Religious, Fraternal, Political, Social)

Member of: Kiwanis Club of Jacksonville; Florida Country Club of Jacksonville; Timuquana Country Club of Jacksonville; Men's Garden Club of Jacksonville; Communicant of St. Paul's Episcopal Church; Jacksonville Board of Trade.

Public Service: (Civil and Military; Community, State, National)

Served as Corporal in U. S. Volunteer Engineers, U. S. Army (July 1898-April 1899). This group was part of the Army of Occupation during the Spanish-American War.

(Continued on attached sheet)

Published Material: (Articles and Addresses; Executed Work; Biographical Data)

General Background: (Personal Characteristics and Accomplishments; Interests, Digressions, Travels, Friendships, Sidelights, Honors, and Awards.)

In 1964, Greeley was awarded the Florida Association/American Institute of Architects' Gold Medal for his outstanding contributions to the profession and community. This is the highest award presented by the FA/AIA.

In 1968, the Jacksonville Chapter/American Institute of Architects created the Mellen Greeley Craftsmanship Award which is presented annually to outstanding craftsmen in

the construction industry for work on completed projects.

To mark his 100th birthday, Greeley contributed \$1,000 to the Jacksonville Chapter/AIA to establish a scholarship fund for Jacksonville students studying architecture. The Chapter named the fund in honor of him and upon his death he requested that contributions be made to the fund.

The Architectural League of Jacksonville awarded Greeley a medal for Excellence in Design for his 1927 Holt Residence (1816 Avondale Circle, Jacksonville).

- Greeley's early life in Jacksonville was the subject of a 1976 book entitled <u>Riverside Remembered</u> by George Hallam.
- In 1976, Greeley contributed all of his architectural records, drawings and photographs to the Jacksonville Historical Society Archives.
- In 1979, at the age of 99, Mr. Greeley was retained as a project consultant for the final phase of a church project (Good Shepherd Episcopal, Jacksonville) that he originally designed in 1917.
- In his later years, Greeley prepared a journal entitled "Musings of Mellen Clark Greeley, Written in His Anec-Dotage." This journal covers the 1880-1963 time period and has proven to be an excellent research tool for local historians.
- In celebration of his 100th birthday, many local groups held parties for Greeley, including the Jacksonville Chapter/AIA. The Chapter produced a video-taped interview with Greeley documenting his architectural achievements.

Principal Commissions: (Classified, with locations and Reference Data) (Above) (On attached sheet)

Steve Tool, Director

Compiled by: Jacksonville Historic Landmarks Commission Dete: January 25, 1982

Acknowledgements:

Professional Memberships: (Continued)

Member of Florida North Chapter/American Institute of Architects; served as President - 1931, 1932 and 1946; member of Board of Directors - 1929. Charter member of Jacksonville Chapter/American Institute of Architects - February 28, 1956.

Member of Architectural League of Jacksonville (no longer in existence).

Public Service: (Continued)

Served as Captain in Jacksonville Light Infantry, Florida National Guard, 1899-1910.

Joined Army Reserves - 1910.

Served as Captain in Quartermaster Corps, U. S. Army (July 1918 - July 1919) and was part of Expedition Forces to France during World War I.

One of leaders in the 1915 establishment of Florida State Board of Architecture (the 5th in the nation) to license architects. Served as its Secretary-Treasurer, 1923 - 1955.

Member of Board of Supervising Architects of State Hotel Commission, 1928-1938. President, National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, 1939-1942. Charter member of Jacksonville City Planning Advisory Board in 1928. Served 19

years as Secretary. Served term as President in 1960's and was appointed as President Emeritus for his untiring work as member of Board. Was still active on Board until 1960's.

Supervising architect for the Duval County Board of Public Instruction - 1954. Represented Florida lumber industry on President Roosevelt's National Recovery Administration.

Principal Commissions:

Institutional

Church of the Good Shepherd; corner of Stockton & Park Streets, Jacksonville; beginning 1917 (final phase completed 1980).

Jacksonville Woman's Club; 861 Riverside Avenue, Jacksonville; 1927.

St. Augustine Post Office (now known as Government House); St. Augustine, Florida; 1931.

St. Luke's Hospital; corner of Boulevard and Eighth Street, Jacksonville; 1912-14.

Elizabeth Swaim Memorial Methodist Church; 1620 Naldo Avenue, Jacksonville; 1925. John Gorrie Junior High School; 2525 College Street, Jacksonville; 1923-24 (this project was in association with Roy Benjamin).

Kirby Smith Junior High School; 2034 Hubbard Street, Jacksonville; 1923-24 (this project was in association with Roy Benjamin).

Springfield Presbyterian Church; 207 West Sixth Street, Jacksonville; 1922-23.

Stanton High School; 521 West Ashley Street, Jacksonville; 1917.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church; 5536 Atlantic Boulevard, Jacksonville; 1955.

Residential

Francis Holt Residence; 1816 Avondale Circle, Jacksonville; 1927.
R. H. Anderson Residence; 1876 River Road, Jacksonville; 1927.
Dr. Charles Terry Residence; 2959 St. Johns Avenue, Jacksonville; 1911.
Judge George Cooper Gibbs Residence; 2717 Riverside Avenue, Jacksonville; 1914.
The Fenimore Apartments; 2200 Riverside Avenue, Jacksonville; 1921-22 (this project was in association with Roy Benjamin).

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FOUR HUNDRED YEARS OF WARS AND PEACE AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

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embership in the lodge, chapter and commandery, is a democrat in his political beliefs and is a memer of the Key West Board of Trade, being at all imes interested in the general business growth of his native city. He is one of the most able, progressive and prominent business men of Key West and in the community where his entire life has been spent enjoys the respect, confidence and high regard of all who know him.

MELLEN CLARK GREELEY.

Relen Clark Greeley is one of the younger architects of Jacksonville, whose ability and success is attested in the high position to which he has attained and in the class of buildings which he has erected. He has gained a liberal patronage here and many of the cite substantial structures stand as monuments to his kill and enterprise. He was born in Jacksonville, Figurary 14, 1880, a son of Jonathan C. and Leonora (Leonora Carrier of St. Louis, Missouri. Dr. Keep, the natural grandfather, was a Baptist minister, and with the genoval of the family to various localities Leonora (Leonora Carrier of St. Louis, Missouri. All Secondary of the family to various localities Leonora (Leonora Carrier of St. Louis, Missouri. All Secondary of the family to various localities Leonora (Leonora Carrier of St. Louis, Florida, and Jacksonville.

Mellen C. Greeley was a pupil in the public schools जु 🖁 acksonville and afterward pursued an academic etites in Lawrenceville, New Jersey. He then put sige his text-books, in 1898, to enlist for service in 🛱 💆 Spanish-American war, joining Company 1, Third Figure States Volunteer Engineers under Colonel ម៉ូរដ្ឋារ៉េd DuBois Gilliard. He served for ten months in ត្រំទ្ទី country and in Cuba with the army of occupation, His battalion taking over the flag of the Fort San Savarino on New Year's day of 1899, there being present glout four hundred American soldiers and approxiand the thousand Spanish troops which had been ಹ್ರಿಹ್ನೆ ught there to be transported to Spain. Mr. Greeley Estres it was a most touching sight to see the old gray-Tigired men giving up their flag under which they had 世盛ight and suffered. Yet history has proven that this was a step#oward that liberty and civilization for which all peoples are striving.

Mr. Greeley made his initial step in the path of his chosen profession when in 1901 he associated himself with J. H. W. Hawkins, an architect of this city, with whom he remained until 1908, when he went to New York. He was then with Henry C. Pelton, one of the leading architects of the metropolis, and gained valuable knowledge and experience in that connection, in which he remained until 1909, when he returned to Jacksonville. He has since practiced his

profession independently and has secured a gratifying clientage. His first important commission was the Florida Country Club. Many of the more beautiful homes of the city have been planned and erected by him. He was the designer of the residences of J. 11, Crosby, F. W. Haward, James Bacon, C.S. Adams, Isaac Brereton, William Moore Angus, Dr. Raymond C. Turck, Dr. C. E. Terry, Dr. G. R. Holden and Mrs. J. E. Harkisheimer. He has also designed several of the important commercial buildings of the city, including the ten-story storage warehouse for Delcher Brothers, a three-story apartment house for H. and W. B. Drew and two for the Ames Realty Company. He was associated with Edward F. Stevens, of Boston, in the erection of St. Luke's Hospital-a group of nine buildings. He thoroughly understands the great scientific principles underlying his work as well as all of the practical phases of the profession, and his patronage is a constantly increasing one.

On the 22d of June, 1905, Mr. Greeley was married to Miss Alice Driggs Seeley, of Jacksonville, and they have two children: Barbara, born July 20, 1906; and Phyllis, born April 15, 1912. The parents are members of the First Presbyterian church and are interested in all that pertains to the progress of the city along material, intellectual, social and moral lines. Mr. Greeley is a member of the Country and Commercial Clubs, the Spanish American War Veterans, the Board of Trade, and in the line of his profession, is a charter member and one of the directors of the Florida Association of Architects. He holds to high standards of life, both in his profession and in other connections, and has ever endeavored to lift himself to the level of his ideals.

J. W. CAIN.

Among the most important industrial institutions in Orlando is numbered that conducted by the Cain-O'Berry Boiler Company and among the men most prominent and active in the city's business affairs J. W. Cain, who has been president of the concern since its organization in 1900. The record of his career is the story of an ambitious, aggressive and far-sighted man, who worked steadily, earnestly and untiringly along modern lines, rising steadily in the business world and finally attaining a degree of prosperity which places him among the leading forces in the industrial development of Orlando. He was born in Marietta, Cobb county, Georgia, January 23, 1852, and is a son of Elisha Cain, an attorney at law. Previous to the outbreak of the Civil war the father was captain of the Hancock Van Guards, of Hancock county,



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BROOKE, RIGHT, GREELEY
47 Years of Jacksonville Architecture

Society a Bit 'Richer'

The Jacksonville Historical Society now has almost 50 years of Jacksonville architecture in blueprints, photographs and drawings.

-- The collection was donated by Mellen C. Greeley, a Jacksonville architect from 1909 to 1957.

Greeley, now a sprightly 96, was born in 1880 on what is now the site of the Haydon Burns Public Library and job hunted his way into architecture after serving in the Spanish American War.

"I FELL INTO IT," he says, by answering a help wanted ad and becoming an office boy for William Hawkins."

"He was an architect," Greeley said, "not that I knew what an ar-

chitect was then."

Greeley worked for Hawkins

"That was all the training I ever had. I learned by doing. That's a very hard thing to do in a profession," he says.

Greely started his doing when he was offered the job of supervising the construction of St. Lukes E Hospital

Not knowing any better, I took the job," Greeley laughs.

GREELEY ESTIMATES he designed between 150 and 200 homes.

I lost track of how many," Greeley says "I tried to build a house that was comfortable and suited the needs of the owners."

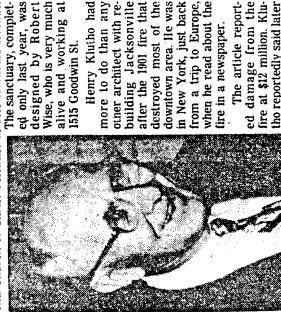
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Advertising Department Writer

The therre of this year's RAP Home Tour, "The Architects' Legacy," is a tribute to those men who, more than any others, decide what a city will look like. Among them is the man who is probably Jacksonville's most famous building designer, flenry J. Klutho.

Others whose homes are on the tour are Mellen C. Saxelbye. Greeley, the only one still living, celebrated his Greeley, Ransom Buffalow, W.B. Talley and Harold F. 00th birthday last month.

buildings, a new church is also part of the tour - the Sec-In case anyone thinks RAP is interested only in old ond Church of Christ Scientist at 1655 Avondale Avenue. The sanctuary, complet-



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often to the dismay of local historians - as the city has grown and modernized. Among those remaining is his first of the destroyed property." He achieved that goal and, before many years, con-Many of Klutho's buildings have been demolished -

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variation of Wright's functionalism. He was not a slave to Klutho, a student of Frank Lloyd Wright, was noted for popularizing the "Prairie School" of architecture, a ing (now May-Cohens) beside Hemming Plaza.

The centenarian would be famous enough just for being the city's oldest living native, but he also is justly regarded as the "dean of Florida architects."

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Among his works in the Riverside-Avondale neighborhood are the Church of the Good Shepherd, the John Gorrie school and several residences. This year's tour includes the house he designed at 1816 Avondale Circle. urning to his own business in 1924.)

Greeley helped organize the Florida Association of Architects in 1912. One of that group's first activities was ined and licensed. In 1915, Florida became the fifth state in the nation to pass such a law when it established the lobbying for a state law requiring architects to be examstate Board of Architecture.

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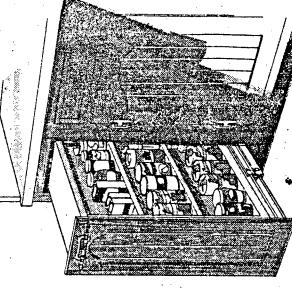
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Some men achieve fame because of a deliberate choice. Klutho's decision to help rebuild a devastated city effectivély assured him a place in Jacksonville's history.

Others wander into the limelight almost by accident. Mellen Greeley is one of those

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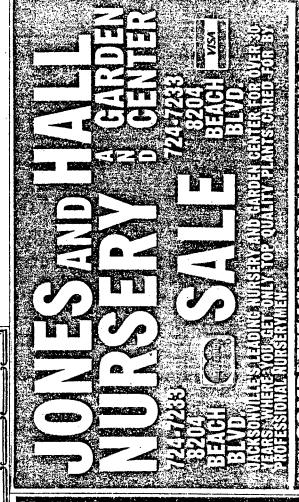
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served as a member of the state board from 1923 to 1955.

larold Saxelbye was born sometime around 1880 in liced to an architect at the age of 12 and went through a 6-year training program, after which he became a mem-Hull, England, where he was educated. He was apprenber of the Royal Institute of British Architects. He came to the United States at about the age of 20 set up an office in New York. After a few years he won a commission to design the Mason Hotel in Jacksonville, later to be called the Mayflower. and

tion of the hotel. He decided to settle here after meeting Saxelbye came to Jacksonville to supervise construca woman who, in due course, became his wife. He and W. Mulford Marsh established the firm of Marsh and Saxelbye in 1919. The company has since evolved to become Saxelbye, Powell, Roberts and Ponder.

Saxelbye's later works brought Jacksonville into modern times. Among them are the Gator Bowl, Wolfson Park, Florida National Bank Building, Blue Cross Building, the downtown Stockton Whatley Davin Building, and the Main Street Baptist and First Methodist churches. Some older buildings include the old Post Office and the former police station at 711 Liberty St.

Among several of the county's schools he designed are the three that took the place of old Duval High in 1927; Landon, Lee and Jackson. In Riverside, Saxelbye designed the Cummer house that stood where the Cummer Gallery of Art now is. The gallery itself was also his creation.

Riverside residences he designed include the Lane

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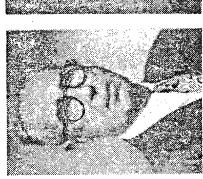
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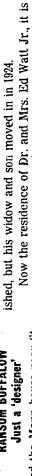


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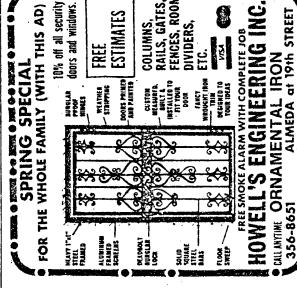
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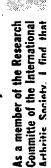
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alow advertised himself as a "builder and designer.

residence in Graham, Va. He was on the move a lot in his early years, living in Seattle, Denver and Knoxville before settling down at Oak and Rosselle streets in Riverside in

Most of his work was in Riverside and Avondale, with several houses also in Ortega. His most impressive design, in the opinion of many, was for a Riverside house he intended for his own residence. He died before it was fin-

when he designed his first house, a Victorian gingerbread

tal's sisters.

The Saxelbye house on this year's home tour is the

This year's preview party will be at a house whose

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By CHARLES PATTON

Greeley attended Lawrenceville School in New Jersey, but before he graduated, patriotic fervor volunteered for service in the overcame the young man and he Spanish-American War. Thus ended the formal education of Mellen or in a creative profession, some selves as artists with a grand vi-Architecture is a creative pro

Greeley saw no action during ment of volunteer engineers sent to clean up after the fighting had did go to there as part of a regithe brief conflagration in Cuba but Greelev. more than a half-century of praclice - Mellen Greeley probably has as much right as any man to Architects" — a title earned by ession, and as "Dean of Florid

He returned to Jacksonville and for the next few years worked at assorted odd jobs. In 1901, the 21year-old answered a want ad and stumbied into his life's profession. stopped.

boy and found I was working for an architect," he recalled. "I doubt that until that time I even knew what an architect was. After ling on designs, even if I wasn't "I answered an ad for an office a week or so, I found a pencil in H sure exactly what I was doing." my hand and I found myself work

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Church of the Good Shepherd at Park and Stockton streets. The and the architects for the project are using Greeley's original plans, now 50 years old, not only to guide In renvovation but to add certain features originally designed but esechurch is now being renovated he has designed is never constructed. buildings 1

"Greeley has turned most of his sonville Historical Society, and cause they are using my original in "I feel very complimented bethey are housed in a collection at office documents over to the Jack drawings," Greeley said. Jacksonville University.

About his own lack of a formal education in architecture Greeley's commented, "Not necessary/ always desirable."

In 1915, Greeley was one of the legislation that established a state Board of Architecture to license leaders in drafting and pushing for

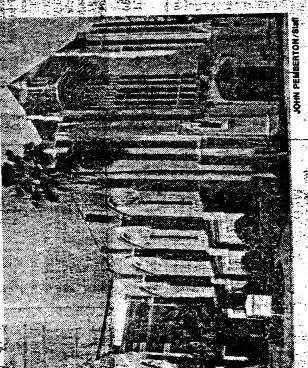
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But Greeley, who stands on the than practical," Greeley com-mented during an interview at his verge of his 100th birthday, rejects "Architects of my period who had been educated in France Arlington home. "I always tried to on what I did," he said. "I never refused work of any kind. I tried to give consideration to the needs of were in some ways more artistic any such notion. A craftsman per haps — but definitely not an artist sion to impress upon the world. think of himself as an artist. Journal Staff Writer be practical

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aying been transplanted several times during the years. Since he retired in 1960, Mellen Greeley has been husy garening. He pointed out a bed of lilles that he said is older than



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"Despite Greeley's own modest appraisal of his accomplishments in a field "he fell into by acci-dent," the city where he has lived for most of the last century is preparing to honor him.

Riverside-Kvongale. Preservation (RAP) will hold a community burtingsy party, open to the public to honor the man who pulit much of those neighborhoods. Tomorrow, the Jacksonville Chapter of the American Institute of Architects will honor Greeley. At 7.30 p.m. Thesday, on Florida Junior College's Kent Campus,

on Thursday, which is Valence, Day, Greeley will observe

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"We had all the country fix-ngs ("Greeley noted "Cattle gree, poultry a country garden eyen an orange groye.

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of Oak and Barrs streets, was to be his home for the next 36 years. In a wry confinent on the chang-ing times, Greeley observed, "At the time I was earning \$35 a week m and I bought a lot, built a house,

daughters, one now deceased. He has four grandchildren and seven in 1968 The Greeleys had two Seeley (or 64 years until her death Greeley was married to Alice vants," his and

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Join hithday.

If the light was born on Feb. 14, cooler climate. He took a drafts of in the hame of his parents on a man's job with a New York archiver. Adams Street, the site now the climate in the latter of the malaria, Greeley decided to move north to New York in search of a great-grandchildren. In 1908, plagued with ill health, the result of recurrent bouts with

Jacksonville and ready to strike

ton, a nationally known architect, but a local man was needed to suurging of friends in order to work as supervising architect on St. Luke's Hospital," he recalled. The signed by Edward Stevens of Bos-I'I opened my own office at the is hospital, he said, had been depervise the construction. out on his own

just off Goodwin Street, for a In 1910 he undertook his first in-dependent project for a client, building a residence on Oak Street.

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"We saw the legislation as protecting the public, not the architects."

Despite his apparently superb health after a century of living, Greeley said he has had his share road several times and I didn't alof health problems. "I've been that ways think I was coming back,' he said

At age 60, 40 years ago, Greeley had a heart attack. "A good doctor and a pacemaker saved me," he

Greeley responded, "That is some-Asked his secret for a long life, thing I can't answer."

But after a moment he noted. "I learned early who I was. I never guess that's what - peace of had to strive to be someone else. mind."

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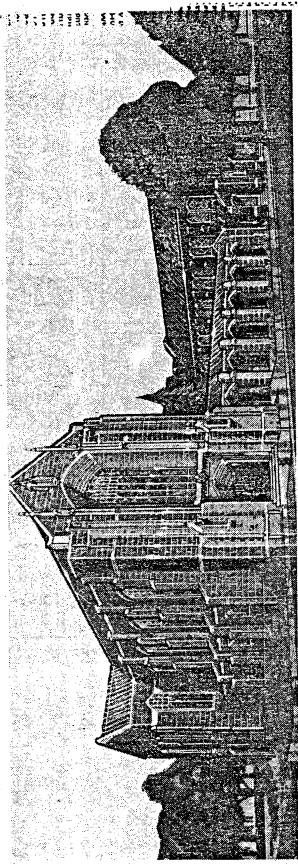
lives with his son-in-law, Richard Paine Jr., keeps busy with his gardening - he has some plants older than he is, having been transplanted several times over the years after first being grown

first garden when I was 6 years t had weeds in it which pleased me as much as having a "I've been a gardener all my life," Greeley noted. "I had my on his father's estate.

One thing he does not do is work He also works on his memoirs. on architectural designs. "When garden."

quit," Greeley said, "I quit archi-tecture entirely."

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A cloister will be added to Good Shepherd in renovation project

orolect to be fil nally designed the gymnasium, the first phase of the project. rear-or

the \$700,000 construction and renovation project. Times-Union Religion Writer

Associates. The project includes renovation of Worsham Hall, the gymna-Greeley is project consultant to Charles Pattillo of Drake/Pattillo & sium, pool, classrooms and kitchen. Construction will include the installation of an elevator, paving and Later, Greeley — now 99 years — was the architect for new Sunday mornings to the sound of the Church across the street from his As a boy, Mellen Greeley woke bell at Good Shepherd Episcopal

home on Riverside Avenue.

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Shepherd. His grandson, Jimmy see one of his favorite projects com-Now, 50 years later, Greeley will Good Shepherd has not yet set

Harper, is president of the vestry. Greeley worked with J.W.C. Cor-

knights in armor and shields," said Greeley. The gothic style was very pop-

were too fine. People couldn't afford "They were exceptional. They them. He worked himself out of busi ness by being too good." The exterior was carved from in all the glass two or three years ago. We had put in colored glass, bu Indiana limestone. The interior wa "I was very glad when they pu done locally.

One of the most unusual features

and carved stone."

"The pool was out of the ordi-

Greeley says he is not sure why the cloister was never built not stained glass."

"Money, I guess. Although it's foolish to talk about money these days," said Greeley.

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Hand-made tile from Doyles

proved successful through the years. nary at the time," he said, "but it! of the church is the swimming pool

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rehitect to celebrate 100th

By JUDY WELLS MARTIN

Don't ask Mellen C. Greeley what it is like to be 100 years old until Feb. 14.

"I don't know. I haven't been there yet," is his answer until the day he cele-brates his 100th birthday.

The city's architect emeritus will be honored at a banquet hosted by the Jacksonville Chapter of the American Institute of Architects at the Independent Building Saturday night and a public birthday party thrown by Riverside Avondale Preservation 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Kent Campus of Florida Junior College.

Greeley designed for attorney Francis M. Holt received the first architectural award ever given by the Architectural League of Jacksonville. Forty years later, it was homes like the award-winning one at 1816 Avondale Circle that helped RAP attract families like the John Churchills, its present owners, back to the Riverside-

Avondale area.

Greeley didn't start out to become an architect, but began as an office boy for one. Eight years later, friends talked him into opening his own office and he was asked to work as supervising architect for the St. Luke's Hospital group.

"I opened my office for the practice of architecture in the spring of 1909 and I've been at it ever since," says Greeley, who has lived to see quite a few changes in his field.

"When I went into business for myself I married, built a house and had two servants when I was still getting about \$35 a week which seems crazy now, but (not) when you think that houses, of the best materials and suitable for living, could be built for 10-15 cents a square foot."

Asked to compare the practice of architecture in the 1920s with the present, Greeley pauses to reflect.

"It's hard to describe because in the 50-odd years of my practice architecture was a different game than what it is now. Architecture in the days I practiced was a gentleman's game," Greeley says. "I didn't look at it as a drudgery. It was always pleasant. Now it is a business. From what I hear it's dog eat dog. With me it was like the game of golf. We played for fun. Now you have to play for money. I took anything that came and by the way, I never went after any of my commissions nor any of the offices I occupied. They've always been offered me on a platter.

"I practiced by myself and enjoyed being able to control the whole situation. Nowadays so much of it is done by a cor-

poration. I don't think I would like that.

Perhaps, if I may say it, architecture was more of a profession than a business.

"In most cases there was an incidence with the client that made it pleasant to work with them. My clients were friends. I enjoyed working with my clients. They were always friends before and after," says Greeley with a grin, when reminded of the old saying that while doctors can bury, their customers, architects must live with them.

The architect of Greeley's day spent as much time on site as over the drawing

"We worked very closely with contractors," says Greeley. "I personally did not desert a building until it was finished. The trend now is to turn over the plans and papers to the contractor and never see what is going on. We didn't have the advantages of pre-fab that they have nowadays. Everything had to be built from scratch, but that was no handicap because we had men who could do it. Of course my work is small compared to what is going on now." Greeley may call it small, but his cre-

Greeley may call it small, but his creations range from cattle ranches to churches, most of them still in use today. Among his favorites, "friends" he calls them, are the Church of the Good Shepherd, the Woman's Club of Jacksonville, the Holt home and the restoration of the

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old post office in St. Augustine.
When it came to his own house on the heavily wooded shores of the Arlington River, Greeley built an unimposing structure, simple but comfortable.

"I built something that my wife and I could like, liveable. I never went in for pomposity. I always believed in the simple life and I practiced in a period where excess decoration was not called for."

Greeley lives there still, tending his extensive plantings of azaleas and camelias, watching his wild garden of native plants tend themselves, aided by his son-in-law. As with anyone who reaches centenarian status, especially when they arrive as spryly as he has, Greeley is frequently asked for his longevity formula.

"T've been asked that question and I can't answer it," says Greeley. "It's something you don't have any control over. Living day by day I guess. I have been happy. I have had a pleasant, leisurely life. I should give quite a bit of credit to a pacemaker; my heart gave out about 20 years ago. Be careful with your diet. I have never smoked except one cigarette I tried once. I've been very easy on the booze and that's about it."

What about the next 25 years?
"I'm going to play it by ear," says Greeley with a smile.



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Dear Ms. Marx:

many copies to Please be advised that the Fall Conference of the Florida Associa tion of the American Institute of Architects was dedicated to the memory of Mr. Mellen Clark Greeley, FAIA, who passed away on Friday, September 4, 1981 at the age of 101 (see my letter to you of September 10, 1981).

I am enclosing for your use a copy of a Memorandum on Mr. Greeley that was included in the FA/AIA Report to the Board.

Sincerely,

Kenneth R. Smith, AIA Secretary.

Mr. Russell L. Gustafson (letter only).

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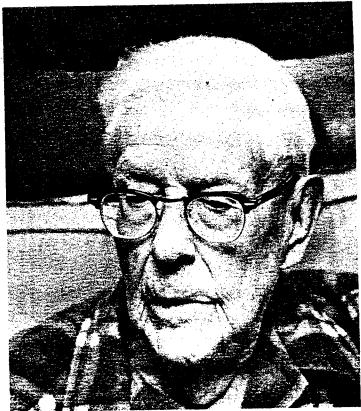
MELLEN CLARK GREELEY, FAIA IN MEMORIAM 1880-1981

As we were preparing for the year's fall conference Mellen Greeley, the dean of Jacksonville architects, died at age 101. He outlived most, if not all, of his famous contemporaries which included such men as Louis Sullivan, Frank Lloyd Wright and his friend, H. J. Klutho. Greeley's career spanned many decades and many styles, but he always strived for architectural excellence in the buildings he designed.

Greeley's career in architecture began when he answered a newspaper ad placed by architect J. H. W. Hawkins shortly after the great fire of 1901 which destroyed most of downtown Jacksonville. Greeley was a native of Jacksonville, born on the corner of Adams and Ocean Streets in 1880. He was anxious to see the city rebuilt after the devastating fire and he immediately apprenticed himself to Hawkins, not for pay, but for the education he would receive. Greeley learned quickly and in 1908 he was given the task of overseeing the construction of St. Luke's Hospital, long a Jacksonville landmark.

Through the long years of his career, Greeley designed buildings too numerous to list including hospitals, clubs, churches, schools, low-rent housing, warehouses, a post office, office buildings and residences. But more important than the buildings he designed is the memory of the man which survives in the minds of those who knew him. Greeley was a champion of the young architect. He never discouraged the novice architect - rather he offered encouragement and treated young architects with dignity and concern. Greeley always referred to himself as having gotten into the profession "through the back door" - and he had tremendous respect for architects who had an education more formal than his own.

Among Mellen Greeley's most notable achievements are the Florida Yacht Club and the Woman's Club of Jacksonville. He designed five Jacksonville churches including the Church of the Good Shepherd in the downtown area and his home church, St. Paul's Episcopal. The schools he built include old Stanton High, John Gorrie and Kirby Smith, the latter of which he completed in partnership with Roy Benjamin.



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In 1931, Greeley built the St. Augustine Post Office which is today known as Government House and serves as the office of the Historic St. Augustine Preservation Board.

Throughout the years, Greeley was the recipient of many honors and awards. He served on the Florida State Board of Architecture and the Jacksonville City Planning Advisory Board. In 1964, he was awarded the Gold Medal, the highest honor given to an architect by the Florida Association of the American Institute of Architects. In 1968, the Jacksonville Chapter of the AIA created the Mellen Greeley Craftsmanship Award which has gone to outstanding craftsmen through the ensuing years.

The advancing years did little to dim Mellen Greeley's zest for either life, his

hobbies or his first love, architecture. Two years ago, at age 99, he assisted Charles Patillo, of Drake Patillo and Associates, on the fifth and final stage of design on the Church of the Good Shepherd. Greeley started the Church in 1917.

Mellen Greeley's last years were spent at Rivermarshes, his home on Pottsburg Creek in Jacksonville. In his later years, he wrote a charming journal, Musings of Mellen Clark Greeley, Written in His Anec-Dotage.

Mellen Greeley contributed much to the City of Jacksonville and to the architectural profession. He will long be remembered by those who knew him as well as those who continue to enjoy the buildings he left us.