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# QUESTIONNAIRE FOR ARCHITECTS' ROSTER AND/OR REGISTER OF ARCHITECTS QUALIFIED FOR FEDERAL PUBLIC WORKS

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- 1. (a) **FIRM** (individual or partnership) ..... **RALPH C. HARRIS, Architect**
- (b) **FORMER FIRM**, if any .....
- 2. **BUSINESS ADDRESS** ..... **53 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois**
- 3. **YEAR ESTABLISHED** ..... **1914**

4. PERSONAL HISTORIES OF PRINCIPALS	Name of Principal	Name of Principal
	<b>Ralph C. Harris</b>	

Furnish data complete, but keep to essentials. Describe each member of firm individually; if more than two, append extra sheets.

- (a) **Date of Birth** ..... **May 10, 1890**
- (b) **Education** ..... **University of Illinois - 1906-1908**  
**Armour Institute of Technology - 1908-1910**  
**Plus foreign travel.**

- (c) **Experience Prior to Own Practice**  
 (Give architect or architectural firm affiliations, positions held, and approximate dates of employment.)  

<b>Jarvis Hunt</b>	<b>1910 and 1911</b>	<b>Architect-Draftsman</b>
<b>Henry L. Ottenheimer</b>	<b>1912 and 1913</b>	<b>Architect-Superintendent</b>

- (d) **Commenced Practice** ..... **1914**

- (e) **Number of Years**  
 a **Principal** ..... **32 years**

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(f) **Architectural Licenses**

(Give State, Number and Year Issued.)

State of Illinois - No. 1243 - 1914

(g) **Professional Societies and Offices Held**

Illinois Society of Architects - Secretary 8 years

Director 5 years

American Institute of Architects

(h) **Service in World Wars I and II.** (Append data if desired.)

World War I - Captain, 108th Engineers, 33rd Division.

(i) **Civic Activities**

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**5. CONSULTANTS USUALLY EMPLOYED:**

(If a member of your staff, so state)

(a) **STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual Paul Griffenhagen

Business Address 333 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago.

(b) **HEATING & VENTILATING ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual John C. Dolio

Business Address 53 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago.

(c) **ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual Same as (b)

Business Address

(d) **PLUMBING OR SANITARY ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual Same as (b)

Business Address

(e) **LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

Name of Firm or Individual

Business Address

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6. OTHER REMARKS RE QUALIFICATIONS:

(Append extra sheet if necessary) Licensed Engineer in State of Illinois, No. 314.

Employed as Highways Architect by State of Illinois 1933-42, during which time I designed and supervised the construction of approximately \$4,000,000 worth of highway buildings, including the State Police-Radio system. During entire career I have designed and supervised the construction of approximately 300 buildings, ranging up to \$1,500,000 in cost.

7. SUMMARY OF PROJECT COSTS:

	Largest Single Job	All Jobs Valuation	Annual Average
Work Completed 1930-1940	\$300,000	\$5,000,000	\$500,000
Work Completed 1941-1946	250,000	2,000,000	400,000
Current Work under construction or working drawings authorized	150,000	300,000	400,000

8. REPRESENTATIVE WORK FOR WHICH YOU WERE ARCHITECT OR WERE ASSOCIATED WITH OTHERS:

(a) Three Projects Not Exceeding Cost of \$300,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
Factory	\$150,000	Chicago	Athletic Shoe Co.
Office & Garage Bldg.	250,000	Carbondale, Ill.	State of Illinois
Apartment Building	225,000	Evanston, Ill.	Mrs. Geo. H. Sargent

(b) Three Projects Costing From \$300,000 to \$1,000,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
Devonshire Hotel	\$800,000	Chicago	Anton Strunk
Canterbury Apartment	900,000	Chicago	Fred Brons
Factory	400,000	Chicago	Barrett-Cravens Co.

(c) Three Projects Costing Over \$1,000,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
Aquitania Apartments	\$1,500,000	Chicago	Geo. A. Spoor
Apartment Building	1,100,000	Chicago	Hugh McGlennan
Apartment Building	1,500,000	Chicago	M. A. Carroll

**9. PHOTOGRAPHS/PHOTOSTATS:**

The author submits herewith photographs or photostats (size 8" x 10") of several buildings for which he has been the Architect, as follows: (N.C.A.R.B. presentation acceptable.)

None available at this time but will be forwarded.

**10. COLLABORATION WITH JUNIOR ARCHITECTS:**

- (a) If an established individual or firm, are you willing to collaborate with other firms or individuals which would permit junior architects to qualify and help further their professional careers?

Yes

- (b) If in private practice at this time, name associates (if additional architects are to be added to your organization) for the purpose of qualifying:

Robert Johnstone

- (c) If **not** in private practice at this time, name established architect or firm with whom you have agreed to collaborate, for the purpose of qualifying:

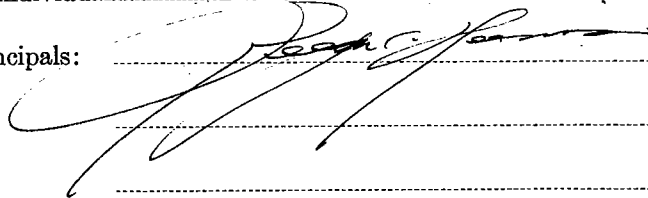
11.(a) I/We wish to be  included in the **Architects' Roster**  
do not wish to be

(b) I/We would like to be  considered for the **Register of Architects Qualified for Federal Public Works**  
do not wish to be

I/We hereby certify that the above is a true statement of facts.

Name of Firm or Individual Ralph C. Harris, Architect

Signed by all Principals:





STATE ILLINOIS  
CITY CHICAGO COUNTY COOK  
DATE January 30, 1953

## ARCHITECTS' ROSTER QUESTIONNAIRE

### TO EVERY ARCHITECT IN THE UNITED STATES AND ITS POSSESSIONS:

The Architects' Roster is maintained by The American Institute of Architects as a service to the profession as a whole and to agencies of the United States Government. Every registered architect, whether or not a member of The Institute, is eligible for inclusion in the Roster. The Institute maintains custody of the Roster, keeps it up to date and in good order for use. The Roster is available to any representative of the Government and to representatives of foreign governments in Washington. Reference may be made to The Architects' Roster in negotiations with government agencies and other interested parties. Experience with the Roster since its establishment in 1946 has shown its usefulness. Growing out of an earlier Register of architects qualified for public works, The Roster provides at The Octagon an accurate, current record of the qualifications and achievements of members of the profession. It allows a positive and helpful response to requests for factual information on architects, and in that way constitutes a service to the profession.

The American Institute of Architects assumes no responsibility for the accuracy of statements made in this Questionnaire. The obligation to maintain this record as a current description of an architectural firm rests with the firm, and supplementary record forms are available for this purpose.

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Original and one copy to be mailed to THE ARCHITECTS' ROSTER, The American Institute of Architects, 1735 New York Avenue, N. W., Washington 6, D. C. One copy to be retained by the author.

- 1 a FIRM** (Indicate whether individual, partnership or corporation.)  
RALPH C. HARRIS, Architect and Engineer
- b FORMER FIRM**, Name if any.....
- 2 STREET ADDRESS** 53 West Jackson Blvd. Chicago 4, Ill. Phone Wabash 2-8666
- 3 YEAR ESTABLISHED** 1914

**4 PERSONAL HISTORIES OF PRINCIPALS**

Furnish data complete, but keep to essentials. Describe each member of firm individually; if more than four, append extra sheets.

	Ralph C. Harris	.....	.....
	NAME OF PRINCIPAL	.....	NAME OF PRINCIPAL
<b>a</b>	Date of Birth	May 10, 1890	.....
<b>b</b>	Place of Birth	Curtis, Nebraska	.....
<b>c</b>	Education	University of Illinois - 1906-1908	.....
		Armour Institute of Technology - 1908-1910	.....
		Plus foreign travel	.....
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**d Experience Prior to Own Practice**

(Give architect or architectural firm affiliations, positions held, and approximate dates of employment.)

Jarvis Hunt	1910 and 1911	Architect-Draftsman
Henry L. Ottenheimer	1912 and 1913	Architect-Superintendent
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**e** Commenced Practice..... 1914

**f** Number of Years a Principal... 35

**g Architectural Licenses** (Give State, Number and Year issued.)

State of Illinois - No. 1243 - 1914	.....
State of Ohio - No. 1845 - 1950	.....
State of Indiana - No. 748 - 1947	.....
State of Arizona - No. 1797 - 1952	.....
NCARB Registration by Senior Examination - No. 778 - 1947	.....
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**h Membership in Professional Societies and Offices Held**

Illinois Society of Architects - Secretary 8 years, Director five years.	.....
	Vice President - four years
American Institute of Architects	Various committees

**i Service in World Wars I and II** (Append data if desired.)

World War I - Captain, 108th Engineers, 33rd Division	.....
World War II - Project Manager, Continental Roll and Steel Foundry,	.....
tank factory, East Chicago, Indiana (\$46,000,000.00)	.....
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**j Civic Activities**

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**5 REMARKS CONCERNING QUALIFICATIONS OF FIRM**

(This space is best used to present qualifying information such as number of employees, amount of office space, financial information and other information presumed of interest to a prospective client. Append extra sheet or use back of this form, if necessary.)

This office has space for about eight Architectural men, and is organized to render complete services for buildings costing up to \$3,000,000.00. The office employs Consulting Engineers, thus handling only architectural work. It has an established reputation extending for more than twenty-five years, and sufficient references can be furnished to satisfy the most critical. The office has assets and credits up to \$200,000.00. The City National Bank of Chicago, and the LaSalle National Bank of Chicago are bank references.

**6 CONSULTANTS USUALLY EMPLOYED: (If a member of your staff, so state.)**

**a STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual... Henry Miller - 8 South Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.  
Business Address.....

**b HEATING AND VENTILATING ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual... Beuter & Wolff  
Business Address... 37 South Wabash Avenue - Chicago, Illinois

**c ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual... H. S. Nachman & Associates  
Business Address... 179 W. Washington Street - Chicago, Illinois

**d PLUMBING OR SANITARY ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual... H. S. Nachman & Associates  
Business Address... 179 W. Washington Street - Chicago, Illinois

**e LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

Name of Firm or Individual.....  
Business Address.....

**f OTHER (Civil, Foundation or Mechanical Engineers, Appraiser, Equipment Designers, Valuers, Industrial Layout Engineers, etc.)**

Special Engineers and other technical assistants are employed, depending upon the project and the type of work desired.

**7 REPRESENTATIVE WORK FOR WHICH YOU WERE OR ARE ARCHITECTS; OR WERE OR ARE ASSOCIATED WITH OTHERS:** (In left margin, mark \*—U. S. Government projects, \*\*—projects not yet complete.)

Name and type of project	Location	Date	Cost	Indicate whether as Architect or Associate Architect
Athletic Shoe Factory	Chicago	1947	\$ 250,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Devonshire Hotel	Chicago	1929	\$ 800,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Office Building	Carbondale, Ill.	1938	\$ 250,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Centerbury Apt. Hotel	Chicago	1929	\$ 900,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Weller Factory	East Chicago, Ind.	1948	\$ 150,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Office & Garage Bldg.	Ottawa, Ill.	1940	\$ 300,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Residence	Barrington, Ill.	1940	\$ 95,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Aquitania Apts.	Chicago	1925	\$ 1,500,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Race Track	Maywood, Ill.	1949	\$ 250,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Garage & Machine Shop	Chicago	1941	\$ 400,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Office Building	Chicago	1949	\$ 500,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Factory	LaPorte, Ind.	1947	\$ 275,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Funeral Chapel	Hammond, Ind.	1948	\$ 100,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Country Club	Glen Ellyn, Ill.	1947	\$ 300,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Laboratory Bldg.	Springfield, Ill.	1935	\$ 225,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Police Radio Stations	State of Ill.	1935-38	\$ 450,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Apartment Bldg. 1350 Astor St. Chgo.	Chgo.	1950	\$ 1,000,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Apartment Bldg.	Evanston, Ill.	1953	\$ 1,100,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Housing	Phoenix, Ariz.	1953	\$ 1,800,000.00	Ralph C. Harris
Housing	Evanston, Ill.	1951	\$ 600,000.00	Ralph C. Harris

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**8 PHOTOGRAPHS/PHOTOSTATS**

Not mandatory. Submit herewith photographs or photostats (size 8" x 10") of several buildings for which you have been the Architect, as follows: (N.C.A.R.B. presentation acceptable.)

Three photographs of N.C.A.R.B. presentation attached.

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**9 COLLABORATION WITH OTHER ARCHITECTS:**

**a** As an established individual firm, are you willing to collaborate with other firms or individuals?

YES

**b** Are you and/or your firm agreeable to accepting supervision of work where designs are produced by others—or vice versa?

YES

**c** List firms (or individuals) with which you are associated at present or have an associate or working agreement: (Please furnish a letter from the other party verifying the association.)

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**10 THIS QUESTIONNAIRE MAY BE MADE AVAILABLE TO GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES**

yes  no

The undersigned hereby certify that the above is a true statement of facts.

Name of Firm or Individual *James J. Davis*  
Signed by all Principals: *James J. Davis*

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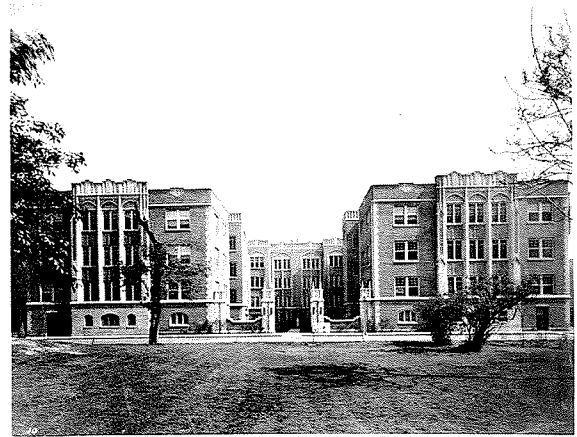
FRONT ELEVATION  
 APARTMENT BLDG FOR MR HUGH Mc LENNAN  
 220 E. WALTON, CHICAGO — 100'-0" X 104'-0" — COST 600,000



FRONT ELEVATION  
 APARTMENT HOTEL FOR MR FRED BRONS  
 1220 NO. STATE, CHICAGO — 80'-0" X 150'-0" — COST 900,000



FRONT ELEVATION  
 APARTMENT BLDG FOR DR. J Z BERGERON  
 515 ROSCOE, CHICAGO — 150'-0" X 90'-0" — COST 135,000



FRONT ELEVATION  
 APARTMENT BLDG FOR MR M A CARROL  
 MADISON PK, CHICAGO — 165'-0" X 125'-0" — COST 300,000

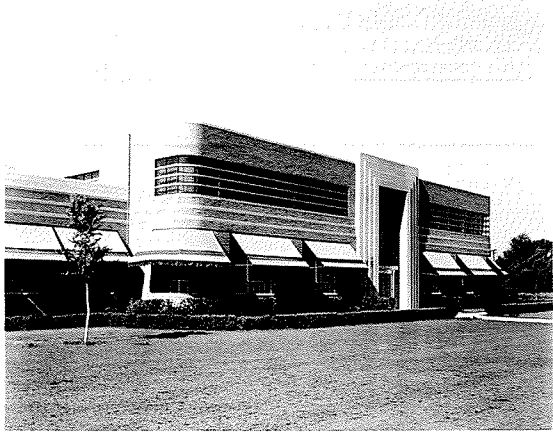


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 3255 W. 30 TH, CHICAGO — 100'-0" X 300'-0" — COST 165,000

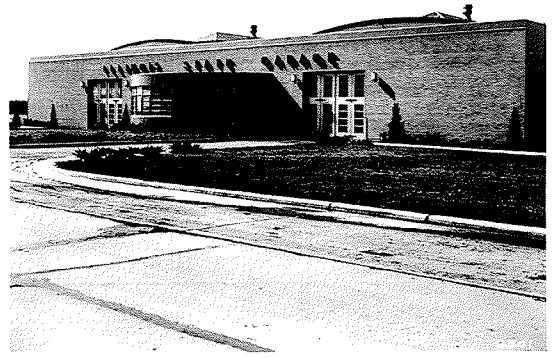


FRONT ELEVATION  
 APARTMENT BLDG FOR MR CHAS KUSEL  
 50. SHORE DRIVE, CHICAGO — 60'-0" X 100'-0" — COST 75,000

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 EXHIBIT OF *Ralph C. Harris*  
 RALPH C HARRIS



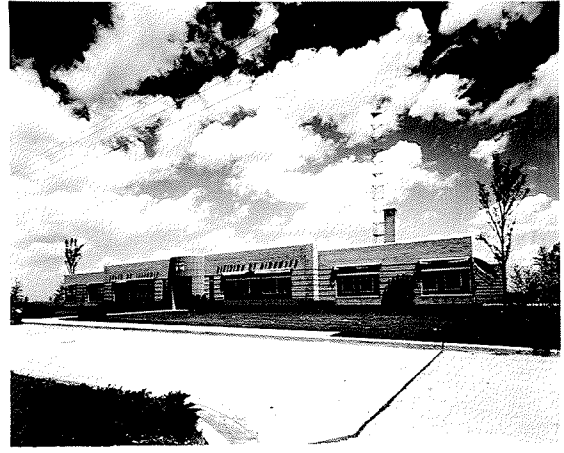
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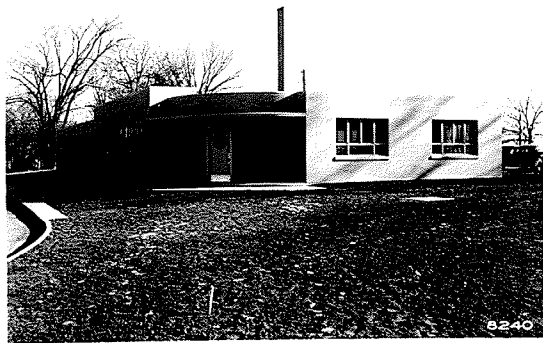
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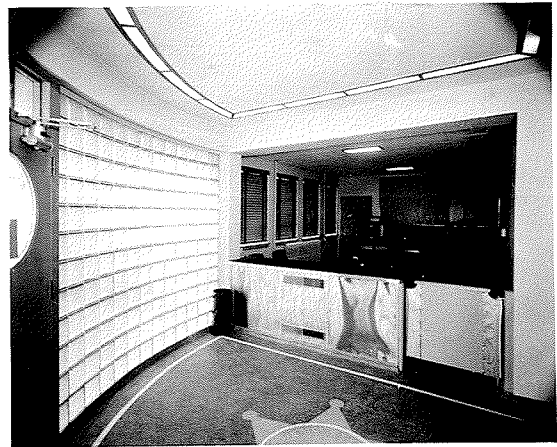
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CARBONDALE ILLINOIS 100'-0" X 250'-0"  
COST 250,000



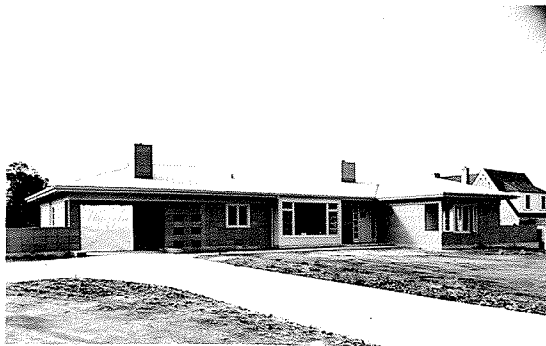
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EXTERIOR  
POLICE HQTS BLDG FOR STATE OF ILL.  
ROCK ISLAND ILLINOIS 60'-0" X 150'-0"  
COST 50,000



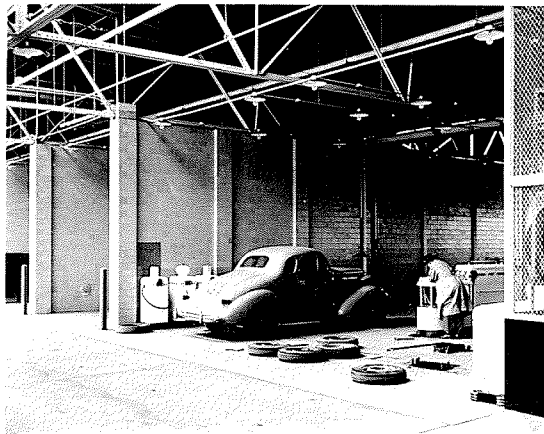
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POLICE HQTS BLDG FOR STATE OF ILL.  
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COST 50,000



**NORTH ELEVATION**  
**RESIDENCE FOR MR C J PETERSON**  
 GLENVIEW ILLINOIS 30'-0" X 72'-0"  
 COST 29,000



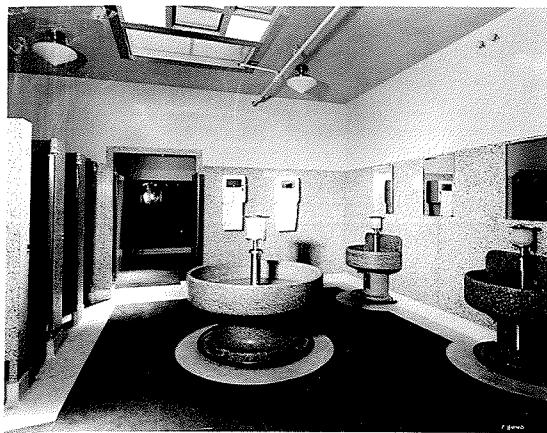
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 COST 45,000



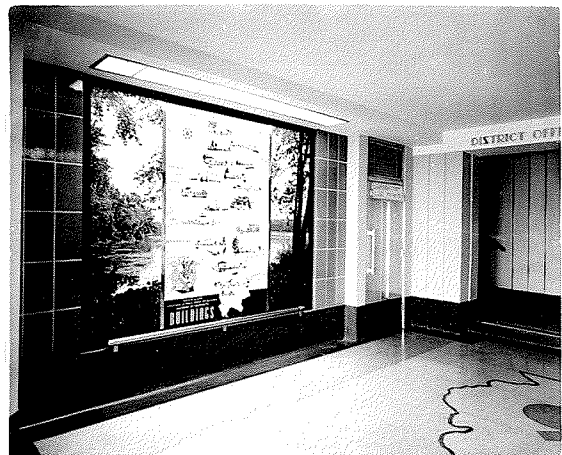
**INTERIOR GREASE RACKS**  
**GARAGE FOR STATE OF ILLINOIS**  
 159 TH & CRAWFORD AVE CHICAGO ILLINOIS 150'-0" X 604'-0"  
 COST 230,000



**ENTRANCE DETAIL**  
**POLICE HQTS BLDG FOR STATE OF ILL.**  
 ROCK ISLAND ILLINOIS 60'-0" X 150'-0"  
 COST 50,000



**MEN'S WASH ROOM**  
**LABORATORY BLDG FOR STATE OF ILL.**  
 HARLEM & IRVING PK. CHICAGO ILLINOIS 100'-0" X 175'-0"  
 COST 175,000



**LOBBY WALL**  
**OFFICE BLDG FOR STATE OF ILLINOIS**  
 CARBONDALE ILLINOIS 100'-0" X 250'-0"  
 COST 250,000

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