

APPENDIX B.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP,  
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS.

October 30th, 1899

To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects:

SIR: I respectfully apply for Associate membership in the American Institute of Architects. I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and agree, if elected, to honorably maintain and obey them.

My full name is Clarence A. Martin

My address is Ithaca, N. Y.

I am employed by Cornell University College of Architecture as Prof.

I am a member of the firm of [Signature] of Architecture (in charge of construction)

I began the study of architecture in the year 1896

I began the independent practice of architecture in the year

The accompanying photographs show buildings or other work designed by me.

No. 1 is (Give description of same.)

No. 2 is Application is made under 2nd sentence in

No. 3 is Article I of By-Laws, which I interpret as doing away with requirements of this part of application.

The accompanying drawings are (Give description of any drawings the applicant may choose to submit.)

"Details of Building Construction", being ordinary details prepared for students & draftsmen and published in 1899.

Respectfully submitted, Clarence A. Martin (Signature of applicant.)

We, the undersigned Fellows or Associates of the American Institute of Architects, have carefully examined the above statement, and believe it to be accurate. We know Mr. Clarence A. Martin personally, are familiar with his professional work and practice and desire his election as an Associate Member of the American Institute of Architects.

(The signatures of three Institute Members are here required.) Frank Miles Day, Angus J. Boyden

We, the undersigned residents of know Mr. personally, and believe him to be capable in his profession and honorable in all his dealings.

(Here the candidate may secure the signatures of residents in the city or town wherein he is at present practicing. The address of each indorser must follow his name.)

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FORTIETH  
ANNUAL CONVENTION  
OF THE  
AMERICAN INSTITUTE  
OF ARCHITECTS

AND OF THE CELEBRATION OF THE FIFTIETH  
ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDATION.

Held in The Octagon, December 29, 1906, and at the  
New Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C.

JANUARY 7, 8, 9, 1907.

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1907.

Two Associates, Robert C. Ferguson and Henry C. Hayward have resigned.

One Honorary Member, Sir Casper Purdon Clarke, has been elected. No Corresponding Members have been elected during the past year.

The Board wishes again to impress upon the members of the Institute the importance of securing the election as Associates of all those practicing architects, who through their actions and the quality of their work, have shown that they would be desirable as members of the Institute. It is only by constantly drawing members from the ever-increasing ranks of the profession that the Institute can maintain and increase its work of raising the standard of professional life and conduct.

#### NOMINATIONS.

The Board nominates for election to Honorary Membership, Hon. F. G. Newlands, United States Senator from Nevada; and Mr. Leopold Eidlitz, one of the Founders of the American Institute of Architects; and for Corresponding Membership, Mr. James G. Cutler, Professor Wm. H. Goodyear and Francis H. Bacon.

The Board nominates for election to Fellowship, Messrs. Henry C. Bacon, Wm. S. Post, John Russell Pope, New York; A. B. Pond, Chicago; James P. Jamieson, Philadelphia; Clarence A. Martin, Ithaca, N. Y.

#### CHAPTERS.

As the prosperity of the Institute is intimately connected with that of its Chapters, it is gratifying to know that the Chapters are almost without exception, in a flourishing condition. Since the last convention, a new Chapter has been formed at Atlanta, Ga. The total number is thus raised to twenty-eight. Their membership varies from nine in Dayton, to 192 in Boston. Some of the Chapters have exerted a marked influence for good upon their communities and it is important that members should not forget how great a force may be brought to bear upon public opinion by the action of a Chapter.

#### THE FINANCES OF THE INSTITUTE.

The finances of the Institute have given the Board most serious concern. While the receipts from fees of members, if administered with economy, are sufficient to pay the ordinary expenses of operation, they do not suffice for extraordinary occasions for which special provision has to be made. This is very clearly shown by the fact, that no such provision having been made for the unusual celebration held in January, 1905, your present Board has labored under a deficit of \$2,500, resulting from that event. The Board determined that such a thing should not occur again and is glad to report that suitable provision has been made by the Chapters and members for the cost of the 50th Anniversary Celebration, so that no charge greater than that ordinarily assumed by the Institute on account of the Convention will fall upon it.

The interest from the Octagon Institute's general fund from the current year is \$480.53 per annum when they were

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Wm. S. Post . . . . .	88	
Henry Bacon . . . . .	87	
John Russell Pope . . . . .	81	
James P. Jamieson . . . . .	84	1
Allen B. Pond . . . . .	82	
C. A. Martin . . . . .		

Respectfully submitted,  
 JUDGE, EDW. L. TILTON.

JOHN HALL RANKIN,  
 EDWARD STOTZ,  
*Tellers.*

The report was ordered filed.  
 Mr. J. M. Hewlett offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, that a committee be appointed by the President to investigate the entire question of the regulation of open competitions and to submit on its own part, its conclusions to the several Chapters with the request that each Chapter take action on the recommendations and forward their action to the Committee on Competitions.

Mr. R. A. Cram: This resolution is the result of a feeling that a year from now when the Committee on Competitions makes its report, the subject will be just where it is now. The report will content itself with a general denial of any possible efficiency or value in open competitions. I would be very glad to see the strongest possible recommendation adopted for the discouragement of open competitions as now held—in fact of all competitions. But the open competition is fully established, and by ignoring it we are neglecting one of our duties. If we can adopt some simple scheme by which it can be ameliorated, the question of limited competitions will take care of itself. Any of us invited to a limited competition have little difficulty in making such arrangements with the Committee as will protect our interests and the interests of the profession, but in open competitions no such preliminaries are possible, and it is therefore the open competition which most needs regulation.

Mr. R. D. Andrews: It does not seem to me that any regulation can be made that will ameliorate the conditions of the open competition. It is so wrong fundamentally that the Convention should not appear to

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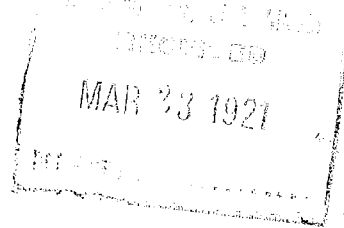
Mr. Walter Cook Andrews has said. ever taken any steps to giving the Comm formulate rules for a may ignore entirely.

Mr. J. Randolph think it will be well t us and why we shall against it. I am not out that in a compet client. The client in the best possible re credit for it. And if cannot sanction, we sh in it. But we shoul lest we give more col tute of Architects is a are prepared to go nations in which archi atically regulated tha most notable foreign plan. And however and England, public public believes that t ing the best designs.

Association of Collegiate Alumnae



March 21, 1921



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

Dear Mr. Kemper:

I want to ask something of you that is in the nature of a personal favor. Mrs. Martin is the Executive Secretary of the National Association of Collegiate Alumnae, numbering about 16,000 members. At present the Association has a treasurer located in Chicago who is a member of the Executive Committee of the Association. The present treasurer feels that she can no longer continue in office and the Association is confronted with the problem of finding a new treasurer. Mrs. Martin is of the opinion that, if it would be feasible to elect a treasurer who would still remain on the Board of Trustees and act in an official capacity, the actual work of the treasurer's office could be most advantageously done under the direction of the Executive Secretary with a special clerk for that work.

I am writing you at this time to ask if your relation to the Institute can give us any light as to the workings of such a scheme. I know that Mr. Wade is treasurer of the Institute but I have the impression that most of the actual bookkeeping and work of the treasurer's office is done under the direction of the Executive Secretary of the Institute. Am I right in this assumption?

If you can give me any suggestions relative to the working out of a scheme of this kind, I shall be very grateful and I know it will be a great favor to Mrs. Martin. Of course, I do not want you to reveal any inner workings, but I do not imagine that there is anything very secret about the finances of the Institute.

Sincerely yours,

*Clarence A. Martin*

*a confidential nature*

*P.S. This is my first attempt to use a dictaphone and evidently I got a bit rattled in the last H. C.A.A.*

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March 24, 1921.

Dear Prof. Martin:-

Responding to yours of March 21, I believe the National Association of Collegiate Alumnae could probably adopt the scheme followed by the Institute.

Under our plan the Treasurer, who is a member of the Board of Trustees or Directors, exercises a general oversight of the Institute's finances and makes recommendations to the Board.

The collection of dues and the disbursement of many expenditures is done by the Executive Secretary, who is designated by the Board as Assistant Treasurer. He is bonded and submits to the Treasurer, with any checks for his signature, complete vouchers approved by the Assistant Treasurer, or by the Committee Chairmen on whose behalf the expenditure is made. The whole system works smoothly with a minimum of burden on the Institute Treasurer - so far as details are concerned.

The marked copy of Institute By-laws sent herewith may be of some help and if there are any further points on which I might aid please command me.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Prof. Clarence A. Martin,  
Cornell University,  
Ithaca, New York.

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Mr. E. C. Kemper,  
Executive Secretary,  
The Octagon House,  
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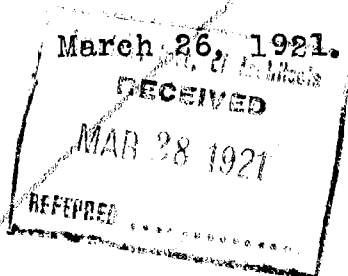
Dear Mr. Kemper:

I want to thank you for the information about the work of the Treasurer in the Institute. I am sure this will be of interest to Mrs. Martin who is now on her way to Washington to attend the biennial convention of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae which meets at the Washington Hotel during the week beginning March 28. I am forwarding your letter and the Institute document to her.

Cordially yours,

*Clarence A. Martin*

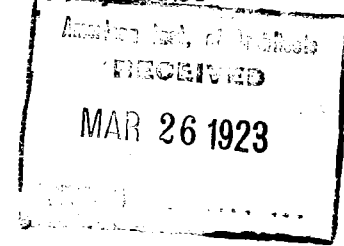
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COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE  
CORNELL UNIVERSITY  
ITHACA, NEW YORK

March 23rd, 1923

Mr. E. C. Kemper,  
Executive Secretary of A.I.A.,  
Octagon House,  
Washington, D. C.



My dear Mr. Kemper:-

Something seems to have gone wrong with my Institute mail as other members of the Institute here have received two documents that I have not received at all. One of these documents relative to the policy of the Journal came to my attention as others asked my advice on answering it; the other is the announcement for the next Annual convention. Another document which I have not seen, but have been asked about, is the report of the last meeting of the Board of Directors,

I shall be grateful if you can send me these three documents and will look into the question and see if my name may not in some way <sup>have</sup> dropped off your list.

It is quite possible that I might have received the report of the Board of Directors and overlooked it, but I am sure the other two have not been received as I have been on the look out for them and I am sure that they could not have gotten by if they had been delivered to me.

Very sincerely,

*Clarence A. Martin*

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

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March 26, 1923.

My dear Prof. Martin:-

We have your letter of the 23rd and regret to note therefrom that you failed to receive several Institute communications recently distributed to the Membership. We are unable to account for this as the metal stencil bearing your name and address is correct and is in the proper place.

We are pleased to send herewith the December Board Minutes, and a copy of the first and only Convention circular thus far mailed.

For a copy of the circular with regard to the Journal, we presume you have in mind the Questionnaire, it is suggested that you get in touch with Mr. Graham Hughes, Business Manager of the Journal, 250 West 57th Street, New York City.

Have you been receiving the Institute Journal regularly. If not please advise us.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Prof. Clarence A. Martin,  
Cornell University,  
Ithaca, New York.

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PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

CORNELL UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE  
ITHACA, N. Y.

Sarasota, Florida,  
March 1, 1933.



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

Dear Mr. Kemper:

First: Change of address. I was retired last June from active service in the University, being made emeritus professor, thus, officially at least, closing my active career in the profession. On January first of this year I moved to Florida where the climate is supposed to be kindly and living low in cost. I do not need the first quite as definitely as the second, but I find both in a highly satisfactory degree and expect to spend the remaining years of my life here. Please, then, change my address on your records ~~from~~  
from ITHACA, N. Y.,  
to SARASOTA, FLORIDA.

Second: Just what can I, or should I, do about chapter membership in this territory if I remain in the Institute?

I speak of remaining in the Institute advisedly. because it presents a real problem. On the one hand I prize very highly my status<sup>a</sup> a Fellow in the Institute, but on the other hand my income has been reduced to a point where the payment of the \$25 annual dues becomes a serious matter. The Central New York Chapter recognizes this situation and remits the annual dues of members who actually have retired from active practice. So far as I know the Institute makes no provision of this kind for holding its older and inactive members, leaving us to fall by the wayside if we can't make the grade. Added to this, if I have to join and pay dues in a chapter down here it will actually increase my cost of remaining in the A.I.A. through change of chapters.

Of course many members are up against it just now in the payment of dues, but my situation has nothing whatever to do with the "depression" and as a general case (not my special case alone) might, I think, well be considered by the Board of Directors in the interest of the Institute itself. Please give me your advice on the situation and oblige.

Very sincerely yours,

*Clarence A. Martin*

Clarence A. Martin

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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*March Board*

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Before new  
note added*

March 7, 1933.

My dear Professor Martin:

This is the first opportunity to respond to yours of March 1st.

Congratulations on moving to Florida. I hope you will like it as much as I do. If you will investigate and become interested in some of the fishing in Florida - both fresh and salt water - it will add twenty years to your life!

With regard to Institute dues, are you not eligible for retirement? See the marked excerpt enclosed. If so, please advise prior to March 13th, so the matter can be considered by the Board at its meeting on March 15th. Otherwise, it will have to go over until late next fall.

We have changed your address on our records, and for THE OCTAGON to Sarasota, Florida.

Is that sufficient, or should there be a street address?

With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

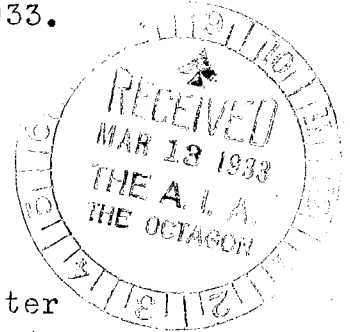
Professor Clarence A. Martin, F. A. I. A.,  
Sarasota, Florida.

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*Martin*

Sarasota, Florida,  
March 10, 1933.

Mr. Edward C. Kemper,  
The Octagon Building,  
Washington, D.C.



Dear Mr. Kemper:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 7 and the suggestions therein. I am enclosing herewith my application for retirement and will be most grateful to you for presenting it to the Board of Directors at their meeting on the 15th.

Thank you also for your good personal wishes. We are finding Florida quite delightful so far as we have gone. Two summers spent here experimentally were most comfortable, and most assuredly the present winter is delightful. It is too good to be true and I live in daily apprehension of waking from a dream with the prospect of looking out into one of our old fashioned blizzards in the hill country of New York State.

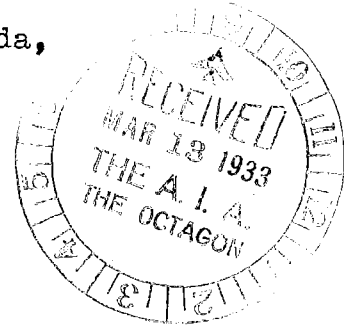
To your inquiry about "street and Number" for my address, this was purposely omitted. I am quite outside of the city, on the Tamiami Trail, and my location is not wholly settled as to time. Furthermore, this is a small place and for a regular resident no street and number are necessary.

Sincerely yours,

*Clarence A. Martin*  
Clarence A. Martin,  
Sarasota, Florida.

Sarasota, Florida,  
March 10, 1933.

Board of Directors,  
American Inst. of Architects,  
The Octagon Building,  
Washington, D. C.



Dear Sirs:

I am hereby making application for retirement as provided in the By-Laws, Chapter I, Article 10, of the Institute.

I reached the age of 70 on Sep. 29, 1932. My professional career, briefly outlined has been as follows:

Two years special student at Cornell Univ., 1886-1888.

Approximately 1 yr. as draftsman in office of W. H. Miller, Ithaca, N.Y.

One yr. in office of J. A. Dempwolf of York, Pa.

Three & one-half yrs. in office of Frank Miles Day, Phila., Pa.

About 8 months in office of Bruce Price of New York.

In Sep. 1894, I went from Mr. Price's office to Cornell Univ. where I taught architecture until my retirement in June, 1932.

At Cornell Univ. I served as Dean and Director of the College of Architecture for 15 years of the period of my teaching.

I apply for retirement as above indicated with extreme regret, but, frankly, it is simply a matter of limited financial resources. The Institute has meant so much to me in my professional career that I feel a bit recreant in thus throwing the burden of sustenance on others and taking no further part myself but just now there seems no other way.

Thanking you for your kindly consideration, I am

Yours very truly,

*Clarence A. Martin*

Clarence A. Martin, F.A.I.A.,  
Sarasota, Florida.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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March 22, 1933

Dear Mr. Martin:

At the recent meeting of the Board of Directors your application for retirement was considered, and we are now in a position to advise you that the Board, by resolution, placed you on the retired list of the Institute, effective December 31, 1932.

This makes no change in your status as an active member of the Institute, except that it relieves you of the payment of Institute dues.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

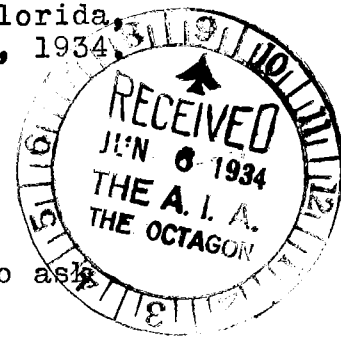
Executive Secretary.

Mr. Clarence A. Martin,  
Sarasota, Florida.

K/g

Sarasota, Florida,  
June 3, 1934.

Mr. Edward C. Kemper,  
Exec. Secy., A. I. A.,  
Washington, D. C.



Dear Mr. Kemper:

I am writing to make a statement and to ask for a little advice in the matter.

Something over a year ago my "retirement" was accepted by the Institute. My retirement was in good faith. I felt that my life's work was done and that at my age there would be little opportunity and little desire for me to continue in the active practice of architecture, especially as I was coming to live in a city where I was wholly unknown.

I am constantly being importuned here to take up the practice of my profession, on the ground that a capable and responsible architect is much needed in Sarasota. Probably that is true, but on the other hand I doubt if there is a field to pay such an architect unless he were to devote himself more vigorously to the wresting up of jobs than I care to do.

I feel that I am too far along in years to warrant my entering a new field in a vigorous and aggressive way, but too much leisure tends to pall and if it could be done I would welcome opportunity to take an occasional job and in general to carry on a small practice in which I could do the work myself without organizing an office for the work. To do this, however, I would have to qualify as a registered architect in Florida--a detail which is probably of no interest to the Institute--and in all honesty I would have to square myself with the Institute in the matter of dues remitted through my admission to the retired list.

Before I make any application for state registration here I will appreciate it if you can tell me just how the Institute might look upon such a case and how much might properly be demanded of me in the payment of dues already past and remitted because of my retirement. In any case I must play fair with the Institute and the profession.

Very sincerely yours,

*Clarence A. Martin*

Persnally written  
by C. A. Martin,

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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June 11, 1934.

My dear Professor Martin:

This is the first moment to acknowledge yours of June 3.

It is a little difficult to give definite advice but my impression is that your retirement on the Institute rolls - which means nothing except relief from the obligation of paying dues - would be effected in no way if you resumed practice.

Retirement conditions are shown on the enclosed circular.

If you go back into practice, I do not think the question of dues will be raised by the Institute. Certainly no claim would be made against you for past dues.

The main thing is that the Institute continue to have your membership, moral support, and encouragement.

With best regards

Sincerely yours,

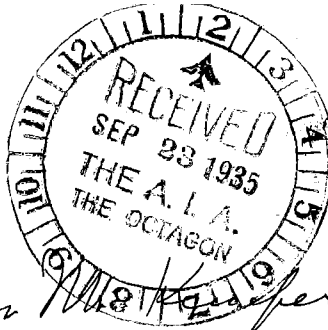
Executive Secretary.

Professor Clarence A. Martin, F.A.I.A.,  
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Receipts Payment  
our Institute of Architects

9/25/35  
Sarasota, Fla.  
Sept. 20, 1935

Dear Mr. Hooper:

Enclosed find my check for \$5.75 in payment for documents which were received promptly and in good condition. Thank you!

Our section of Florida has already almost wholly erased the scars of our near hurricane of two weeks ago, and all nature is again smiling for us. Our personal loss was slight - a little water soaking of furniture and a few books due to shingles blown off the roof, but the house will have to have a new roof - our landlady's job, not ours. Meantime she's given us a temporary covering that has stood the test of several real rains.

Sincerely yours,

C. A. Martin

P.S. Don't bother to send receipt. C.A.M.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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August 13, 1940

Dear Professor Martin:

This is the first opportunity to acknowledge yours of August 2 and check for \$10.00.

We have been pretty well swamped with the preparedness program work.

According to our record, you were placed on the retired list of The Institute effective December 31, 1932 and therefore continued as a member in good standing, with all the rights and privileges except for the payment of annual dues, which, for the retired member, are remitted for life.

Therefore, we think perhaps your check should come back to you because THE OCTAGON and the various documents, etc., are all yours as a matter of right.

Please let us know about this.

Best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Prof. Clarence A. Martin, F.A.I.A.  
215 Sunset Avenue  
Sarasota, Florida

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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November 28, 1940.

Dear Professor Martin:

We are still holding your check payable to The Institute in the sum of \$10.00 because we have not heard from you in response to our letter of August 13.

We were afraid you did not realize that the status of Member Emeritus relieves the member of all obligations while he retains all the privileges of active Institute membership.

In view of that, we did not deposit the check and have been holding it for a further word from you. If you do not respond by December 5, which is just prior to the next Board meeting, we will report your check as a gift and will deposit it.

Please write freely if this is not just what you had in mind.

With best personal regards and envying you the prospect of spending the winter months in the loveliest part of Florida, I am

Sincerely yours,

Prof. Clarence A. Martin, F.A.I.A.,  
215 Sunset Avenue,  
Sarasota, Florida.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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May 8, 1943

Dear Mr. Martins

The Institute received from Mr. Franklin O. Adams your gift of \$25.00 to the War Chest program - with particular reference to maintaining the office of a Washington Representative.

This gift is much appreciated, will be reported to The Institute Board, and a more formal acknowledgment will come to you in due course.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Treasurer

Mr. Clarence A. Martin, F.A.I.A.  
215 Sunset Avenue  
Sarasota, Florida

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INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

Clarence A. Martin  
215 Sunset Avenue  
Sarasota, Florida

Feb. 1, 1944.

Mr. Alexander C. Robinson, **III**,  
American Institute of Architects,  
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of the card which you sent  
recently to Mr. Martin, as a Fellow of the Institute.

This is just to notify you that Mr. Martin passed  
away on the fifth of January, and to ask you to remove  
his name from your mailing list.

Very truly yours,

*Gertrude S. Martin*

(Mrs. C.A. Martin)

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

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*Mrs. C. A. Martin  
215 Sunset Ave.  
Sarasota*

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February 5, 1944

My dear Mrs. Martin:

Your letter of February 1 came to hand on the 3rd, and we learn with very deep regret of the passing of "Professor" Clarence A. Martin.

It is my privilege to have known him over a long period of years.

We feel that the profession has lost a distinguished member, one who gave most generously of his time and talents for the advancement of architecture and architects.

If you have extra copies of any newspaper clippings or other published material concerning his life and work we would be glad to have such material for the historical file of The Institute here at The Octagon.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mrs. C. A. Martin  
215 Sunset Avenue  
Sarasota, Florida

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Clarence A. Martin  
215 Sunset Avenue  
Sarasota, Florida

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

February 8, 1944.

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My dear Mr. Kemper:

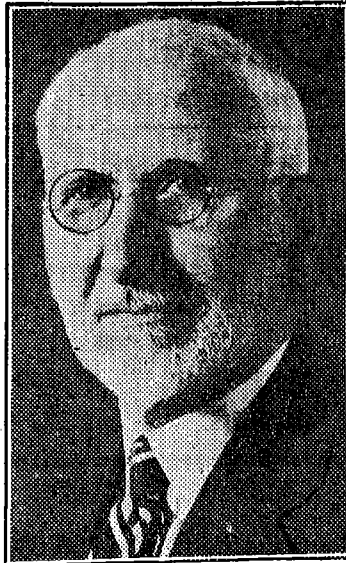
In response to your request I am enclosing two newspaper clippings in regard to Mr. Martin.

Thank you for your kind expression of appreciation for the service Mr. Martin rendered to his profession. The fact that the Institute valued his service highly enough to make him a Fellow was always a source of gratification to him.

Very sincerely yours,

*Gertrude S. Martin*

# Former Dean At Cornell Dies in South



PROF. C. A. MARTIN

Prof. Clarence Augustine Martin, at one time dean of the College of Architecture at Cornell, died Wednesday, Jan. 5, 1944, in Sarasota, Fla.

Born in Medina County, Ohio, Sept. 29, 1862, he was the son of Joseph Fleming and Sarah Emeline Martin. After graduation from Seville High School, Ohio, he attended Oberlin Preparatory School for one year and attended Cornell as a special student of architecture in 1886-8. In 1918, he received the honorary degree of doctor of science from Colgate University.

Beginning as an instructor of architecture in 1894, he served as associate professor from 1895-96, becoming professor in charge of the college in 1904. From 1908 to 1914, Professor Martin was director of the College of Architecture and served as dean from 1915 to 1919. As a professor, he taught in the college from 1919-30, retiring in June, 1932, with the title of professor emeritus.

Professor Martin married Miss Gertrude Shorb of Decatur, Ill., in 1896. There were two children, Gertrude and Clarence Jr.

While teaching at Cornell, Professor Martin was in charge of the work in construction and in graphics for some time. About 1909, he was placed in charge of the classes in working drawings and mechanical equipment in buildings.

A fellow of the American Institute of Architecture, he was president of the Central New York Chapter of the institute. From 1919 to 1925 he was secretary-treasurer of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and was elected to Tau Beta Phi, an honorary engineering society.

Professor Martin wrote "The Details of Building Construction," which was first published in 1899, later revised.

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## PROF. C. A. MARTIN

In the death of Prof. C. A. Martin Sarasota loses one of its foremost citizens. He was not only a scholar of high attainments, but a fine gentleman and a good citizen. In taking a deep personal interest in civic matters, he contributed in many ways to the city's advancement. He enjoyed the respect of all our citizens and his friendship was valued greatly by those of us who came to know him intimately. Although he was spared to live to a ripe old age, like Moses of old, his "strength was not abated and his eye was not dimmed." He continued until his death to take a lively interest in the city's welfare and the economic and political affairs of the nation and the world. It may be said of him that "the lines fell to him in pleasant places" and his life closely approached the ideal. His memory will be cherished, we are sure, by his friends here and elsewhere. He lived an outstanding and useful life and served well his generation and his country.

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Dear Mr. Kemper:

Enclosed a note prepared for the Michigan Society's Bulletin, February 22 issue. ( This has fewer proof-reading slips for a typing novice, - but it's not too late to learn ).

I am pleased to see that the dating of the Institute meetings this year gives so good an opportunity to other organizations; it should always be so.

Like others I like the little seedling that is coming along this spring; it has an able editor and will take on size with favoring seasons.

Sincerely yours,



Emil Lorch (Professor Emeritus).

Mr. E.C. Kemper, Executive Secretary,  
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## CLARENCE A. MARTIN, 1862-1944

Many will grieve to learn of the death of Professor Clarence A. Martin, who for nearly 40 years was a member of the Architectural Faculty of Cornell University. He died January 5 in Florida, where Mrs. Martin and he had made their home during recent years. After a long and vigorous teaching of building construction he became Dean of the College of Architecture at Cornell in 1908. His "Details of Building Construction," published in 1899, was widely used and helped pave the way for present-day books on drafting room standards. He was an early visitor to the English garden cities, a field which appealed to his deeply human nature, and at the University of Michigan gave the first lecture on that subject in 1911.

One of the founders of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture in 1912, he became its secretary-treasurer continuing over a decade of the presidencies of Dean Laird and of the writer, this group of three being called by some the "triumvirate of architectural education." Perhaps only they who were so long associated with him as an executive committee of the organization know the full extent of his constructive work and co-operation during that time which marked the coming of age of architectural education in our country.

For the first time the leading schools met to discuss their problems with a view to establishing reasonable standards admission and graduation relative to the profession's requirements without restricting the initiative of the individual school; at that time a break with the early academic system had begun to appear as also had a trend toward centralization and control from without of design policies, and affect the entire curriculum particularly in its bearing on the architect as a constructor. Throughout those years and some very difficult situations Professor Martin unreservedly gave effort and counsel to the expanding organization. When the Students' Army Training Corps was set up upon our country's entry into the last war he was one of those who in Washington won recognition for architectural schools whose capacity to train men for the technical services had been overlooked. He was also a member of the executive committee which proposed the five-year course to supplant the inadequate and narrow curriculum of four years and unlike some he welcomed registration laws for architects, which were signed the same month, May of 1915, in New York and Michigan.

Professor Martin will be remembered as a fine, lovable man, a loyal friend, fair and open-minded to differing points of view, "high-minded and not self-seeking." He had been president of the Central New York Chapter, A.I.A., and since 1907 a Fellow of the Institute. One of his last and characteristic activities was to volunteer and serve effectively as a draftsman on ship work when there was a shortage of competent men, working alongside much younger men some of whom had graduated under him. Once more to see him the writer a year and a half ago returned from the South via Sarasota; there points of interest were visited including the Ringling Art Museum, the fine Drive and the almost deserted beach house where after a day of reminiscing we heard along with the sound of waves on the white sand the playing by a young musician of Beethoven's ever-beautiful Moonlight Sonata.

EMIL LORCH,  
Ann Arbor, Michigan