

Castle, David S.
Texas

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Nov 4th, 1921

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 David S. Castle

Address 29 Radford Bldg, Abilene, Texas
(Number and Street) (City) (State)

Place and date of birth Constantine Michigan, Feb 13th, 1884

Graduate in architecture 3 year at Anson Institute Chicago Ill
[If required in your case, give name of institutions and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation.]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture No
[If required in your case, attach evidence.]

Passed the qualifying examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or the examinations for the first class of the Ecole des Beaux Arts. No
[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 None

If practicing architect, firm name David S. Castle

Have been in practice Nine years years

If draughtsman, employed by Bell Telephone interests 6 years
[State number of years.]

Collegiate and office training Bell Telephone Co, The Texas Co,

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.

D. S. Castle
[Signature of Applicant.]

I hereby certify that the signer of this application was duly elected an Associate of the
[For use when the applicant is an Associate.]

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date.....
[Insert date of election to chapter.]

..... Secretary.
..... Chapter, A. I. A.

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.

- (1) A. J. Hill
- (2) Louis W. Peruet
- (3) W. L. Jones

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required unless the applicant has the unanimous endorsement of his Chapter, in which case certification to that effect should be made above by the Secretary. Unanimous endorsement is that endorsement in which each Institute member of the Chapter had an opportunity to express himself by letter ballot either for or against the member proposed. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

Prelim. Fee	<u>PAID \$2.00 12/6/21</u>
Initiation	<u>remitted</u>
Unan. End.	<u>no</u>
Exhibits	<u>none sent</u>
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December 6, 1921.

My dear Mr. Castle:-

Permit me to acknowledge with gratification, and on behalf of the Secretary, your application for membership in the American Institute of Architects, received by reference from Mr. Roy E. Lane of Texas.

In order that prompt action may be taken on your application it is hoped that you will send at your early convenience the customary routine exhibits.

These should consist of working drawings and photographs of two executed buildings which need not be specially prepared, may be taken from your office files and will be carefully returned later.

Acknowledgment is also made of your preliminary fee of \$5.00.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. David S. Castle,
29 Radford Building,
Abilene, Texas.

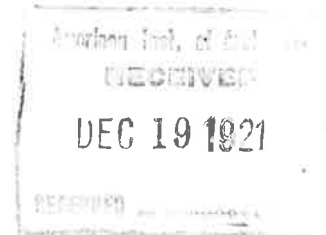
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David S. Castle

Architect
and Engineer

MEMBER TEXAS STATE ASSOCIATION
OF ARCHITECTS

ABILENE, TEXAS
Dec. 14, 1921



The American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon House,
Washington, D.C.

ATTENTION: MR. E.C.KEMPER
Executive Secretary.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request of the 6th instant I am sending you under separate cover by mail two packages. One containing the following photographs:

Exterior design of Cisco Bank Building of Cisco, Texas.

One design each of the exterior and Interior, also one of water color interior design of the First National Bank of Ranger.

Also a Photograph of the Stamford City Hall, Stamford, Texas showing exterior design and two small post cards of the exterior of building as actually constructed.

The other package contains one set of the plans of the Cisco Bank Building, and one set of plans of the Stamford City Hall.

I assume you want representative jobs, the Cisco Bank Building is one of the largest buildings I have planned. And the Stamford City Hall represents the ordinary run of work.

If there is any further information desired please advise.

Yours very truly,

dsc-e

DAVID S. CASTLE

D. S. Castle

G. H. Thos Washburn Co.

Architects

Dallas, Texas.
Jan 28th. 1922.

William Stanley Parker, Sec.,
A.I.A. Washington, D. C.

FEB 1 1922

Dear Sir:-

Re: Application David S. Castle.
Texas Chapter.

I have known this person for the past
three years and wish to file the following ob-
jections:

I do not believe he could qualify or
is entitled to the name of Architect.

His conduct in the profession certainly
could not reflect any credit to the Institute and
possibly do it a great wrong.

Requesting your earnest consideration
of this matter, I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

G. H. Thos. Washburn.

1714 Bennett Ave.
Dallas, Texas.

Member of K. C. Me. Chapter.

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*Pres. Com.
David S. Castle*

February 1, 1922.

My dear Mr. Bulger:-

I enclose herewith copy of a letter of January 28,
in the nature of a privileged communication, against Mr.
David S. Castle, applicant for Institute membership and
who, if elected, would be assigned to the Texas Chapter.

It would be appreciated if you would send forward
at your early convenience the comments of the Chapter on
this matter, and greatly oblige,

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Clarence C. Bulger, Secretary,
Texas Chapter, A. I. A.,
4020 Swiss Avenue,
Dallas, Texas.

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FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

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

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March 14, 1922.

My dear Mr. Washburn:

With further reference to your letter of January 28th, which was a privileged communication against David S. Castle, applicant for Institute membership, it would be appreciated if you would write somewhat in detail, and specifically, of your objections to Mr. Castle. Such a letter would be treated as strictly confidential, and it would be of help to the Executive Committee of the Institute in passing upon the application. It should be received at this office before March 28th in order to be in time for the Executive meeting about April 1st.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. G. H. Thos. Washburn,
1714 Bennett Avenue,
Dallas, Texas.

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1714 Bennett Ave,
Dallas, Texas.

March 18, 1922.

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Mr Edward. C. Kemper,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr Kemper:-

In regard to your letter of March 14th, and my letter of January 28th, I beg to state further that prior to David S. Castle opening of an office in Abilene, Texas, he was engaged in the general contracting business at Houston. He has gotten by so to speak by being an Architectural Salesman and employing craftsman to produce his work. Other than a contractors experience, I do not believe he has ever studied or given architecture much thought, as a subject, his work is quite evident of that.

As a man personally, he has a vile tongue for his fellow Architects and the general impression of those that have come in contact with him, that have expressed themselves to me, find him very undesirable.

Last, but not least, I spent 26 years of life in the study of Architecture and have attended some of the best schools in this Country, with honorable mention and its mighty hard to see the A. I.A. shield such men as Castle and I hope the time is not far off that more stringent requirements will be required to gain this distinction. However I do not object to self

G. H. Hos Washburn Co.
Architects

made men, when they have qualified in their work.

It is very evident, that in Texas they wish to swell the portals of the A. I. A. chapter at any sacrifice.

Thanking you for this opportunity to serve the interests of the A. I. A., I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

G. H. Hos Washburn

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Castle

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March 21, 1922.

Dear Mr. Bulger:-

With regard to the pending application of Mr. David S. Castle, the Institute has received a privileged communication which is, in substance, as follows:

Prior to the opening of an office by Mr. Castle in Abilene, Texas, he was a general contractor in Houston. He has become an architect because he is a good salesman and is wise enough to employ draftsmen to do his work. It is believed that he has never studied architecture, other than through a contractor's experience, and that his work is evidence of this.

He is personally a man who does not hesitate to vilify his fellow architects, and the general impression of those who know him is that he is most undesirable.

To admit him would be a great injustice to the American Institute of Architects.

Please send just as soon as you can the report of the Texas Chapter on these objections in order that the case may be disposed of at the Executive Committee meeting about April 1.

The report of the Chapter will be treated as confidential.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Clarence C. Bulger, Secy,
Texas Chapter of the A. I. A.,
4020 Swiss Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

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June 1922

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Dallas, Texas, April 6th 1922
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Mr. E. C. Kemper, Sec'y.
American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon House, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

Agreeably to your request to investigate the unfavorable privileged communications concerning the election of Mr. ~~David S. Castle~~ Castle of Abilene, to institute membership, we enclose a few replies to our letters. As one of these is contained on our original letter, we are sending this to take the place of a copy.

In commenting on these letters I will say that I have talked to several of the local representative members and all seem to be favorably impressed with the personality and acceptability of Mr. Castle. The two replies from Houston, where he formerly was a contractor, give no information as you will note, but as that was nine years ago and as Mr. Castle has been an architect during the entire interim, such a charge would seem negligible.

From what the writer can ascertain Mr. Castle is an aggressive, sociable young man with many staunch friends, and it is the consensus of opinion as far as I am able to gather that he would compare favorably with many of the present members in the chapter.

As to his eligibility from a point of view of architectural ability, I will say that his work compared very favorably with other work submitted in the architectural exhibit of the Dallas Architectural Club held in February. This opinion is concurred by several of the principal members of the Chapter. However, final decision on this point of course would depend upon the material which Mr. Castle submits to the election board.

If I can be of any further assistance on this case please command me.

Respectfully,

Secretary.

Cl. Bulger

Please return letters when you have no further use for them.

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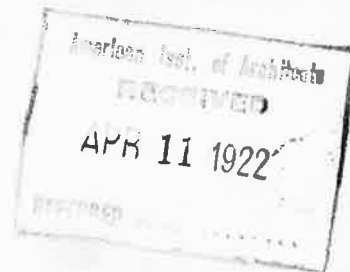
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Dallas, Texas.
April 1st, 1922.

Farmers & Merchants Nat'l Bank,
Abilene, Texas.

Gentlemen:-



We have an application from Mr. David Castle an architect of Abilene, to become a member of the American Institute of Architects, and take the liberty of writing to you this inquiry concerning his standing in your community.

Among the requirements, besides architectural skill, which we are able to pass upon, perhaps with more definiteness than would you, is a man's reputation for consistent and honest practice of his business, and his general standing as a citizen in his community. If you can give us any information or an expression of your opinion concerning him in this light, we will appreciate the favor. We enclose a stamped envelope for your reply.

Respectfully,

Clarence C. Bulger
Secretary.

April 4th 1922

Gentlemen:

CCB:NH

Replying to the above inquiry in regard to David Castle, Architect of Abilene, Texas I would say that Mr Castle bears a good reputation here as an architect and his personal standing in our community is good. We know of no reason why his application to become a member of the American Institute of Architects should not be approved.

Yours truly

Herbert M. Greene
Vice President

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CAPITAL \$100,000.00

ABILENE, TEXAS.

April 4, 1922.

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Mr. C. C. Bulger,
4020 Swiss Avenue,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your favor of April 1st regarding David S. Castle, beg to advise that Mr. Castle enjoys very high reputation and general standing in this city. We have had quite a little dealing with him and all have been highly satisfactory. We are sure that he is a man that you will appreciate having in your institution.

Yours truly,

Sam Swann
Vice - President & Cashier.

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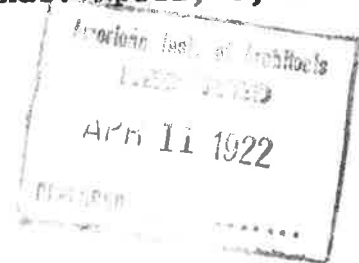
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TEXAS CHAPTER
OF THE
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Houston, Texas. April, 3, 1922.



Mr. C. C. Bulger,
4020 Swiss Ave.,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Mr. Bulger:

Replying to your letter of March 28th, regarding application for membership by David S. Castle, Abilene, Texas, beg to advise that when David Castle was located in Houston, he was a contractor and not an Architect.

But when he left here he informed us that he would open an office in El Paso and try his hand at Architecture.

I know nothing whatever about his qualifications as an Architect.

Trusting this covers your information I am,

Y^ours truly,

ACF:MP

I am enclosing herewith, check for \$6.00 to cover bill attached. Kindly have same receipted and return to this office.

OLLE J. LOREHN
ARCHITECT AND ENGINEER
2900 SAN JACINTO STREET
HOUSTON, TEXAS

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March 31st, 1922.

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Mr. C. C. Bulger Secretary, Texas Chapter, A. I. A.
Dallas, Texas, -:

Dear Sir, -:

Your letter with reference to Mr. D. S. Castle,
at hand and noted, and in reply will say that Mr. Castle
was at one time located in Houston, and in the Contracting
business, and I do not know him well enough to recommend
him as a member of the Institute.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Very Truly Yours, -:



J.M.Radford, President.
C.W.Gill, Vice President.
E.G.Batjer, Secretary.
H.M.Harrison, Treasurer.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,
ABILENE.

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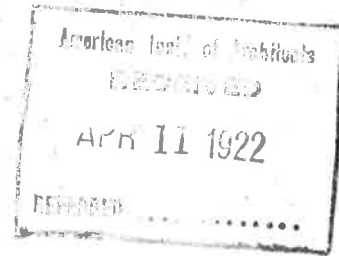
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Abilene, Texas, April 5th, 1922.

Mr. C. C. Bulger,
4020 Swiss Ave.,
Dallas, T e x a s.



Dear Mr. Bulger:-

I am in receipt of your letter of April 1st, making inquiry about David S. Castle, Architect of this city, and in reply will say that Mr. Castle has been here practicing his profession for several years and during that time I have become intimately acquainted with him, and he has done a large amount of work for me.

Not only does he stand high as an Architect, but he is one of our leading and progressive citizens. He is of good character and a man of ability, and since he came here he has drawn the plans and specification of nearly every good building that has been built in the city and most of them in radius of one hundred miles of this town.

Yours very truly,

JMR-mg.

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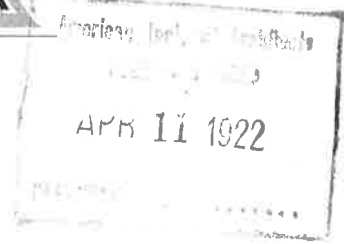


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THE CITIZENS No. 6476
NATIONAL BANK

OF
ABILENE TEXAS

April 5, 1922.



Mr. C. C. Bulger,
4020 Swiss Avenue,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of your letter of April 1st in reference to Mr. David S. Castle, Architect of our city.

In reply, I wish to say that the writer has had considerable dealings with Mr. Castle and has always found him reliable in all dealings. He seems to have worked up a nice business herein his line and is well thought of along that line. In my opinion, any statement that Mr. Castle would make could be relied upon.

Very truly yours,

President.

GLP/PM



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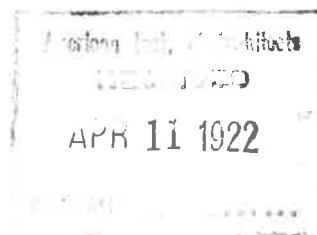
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ABILENE, TEXAS,

April 6, 1922.



Mr. C. C. Bulger,
4020 Swiss Avenue,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to yours of April 1st, in re D. S. Castle, will advise that Mr. Castle is a man of good reputation, and good general standing in this community. He is regarded as being honest and honorable and a man of clean morals. We believe that you will make no mistake in allowing him membership in the American Institute.

Very truly yours,

Cashier.

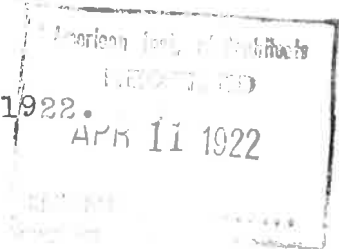
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Simmons College

Office of the President

Abilene, Texas

April 4, 1922.



Mr. C. C. Bulger,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Mr. Bulger:

Replying to your inquiry I beg to say that I have known Mr. David S. Castle for a number of years. He has been our architect here at the College for several years. I esteem him highly as an architect, and so far as I know his reputation for consistent and honest practice of his profession is of the highest order.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J. D. Sanderson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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June 26, 1922.

My dear Mr. Castle:

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in the American Institute of Architects, effective June 5, 1922.

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

The engrossed Certificate of Membership will be sent to you in due course, after engrossing and signing by the President and Secretary. A statement covering current dues is enclosed, and no charge has been made for the first half 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. David S. Castle, Architect,
Abilene, Texas.

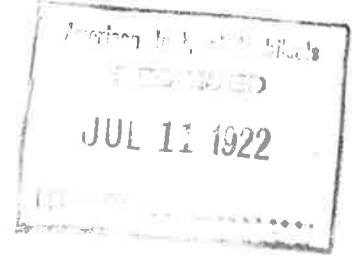
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Enclosure

David S. Castle

Architect
and Engineer

ABILENE, TEXAS

July 7, 1922



The American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon House, Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 26th ult. advising that I had been elected to membership in the American Institute of Architects, for which I thank you.

I enclose herewith check for \$10.00 covering current dues for the last half of the year of 1922.

I note that your bill states that \$2.50 is to cover one years subscription to The Journal. I presume that since I am already a subscriber to The Journal and since my subscription is paid to December 1922 that you will issue me a credit memorandum, or extend my subscription for one year.

Yours truly,

DAVID S. CASTLE

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Received Payment
American Institute of Architects
7/13/22
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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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July 18, 1922.

Dear Mr. Castle:

Responding to yours of July 7th, you receive the Journal as part of your dues, and you should write to the Editor of the Journal at 313 E. 23rd Street, New York City, for a refund on account of subscription made in advance.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. David S. Castle,
Abilene, Texas.

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March 26, 1924.

Dear Mr. Castle:-

This will advise you of the formation of the North Texas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, effective March 4, 1924.

As you are residing within the territory of the North Texas Chapter, we have transferred you, as an Institute Member in good standing, from the Texas Chapter to the North Texas Chapter, effective March 4, 1924.

We have advised Mr. H. A. Overbeck, Chairman of the Organizing Group of the North Texas Chapter, to whom we are sending all Institute Communications for the time being.

By direction of the Secretary.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. David S. Castle,
Abilene, Texas.

K: P

David S. Castle Company

Architects-Engineers

MEMBER
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

ABILENE OFFICE
701-704 ALEXANDER BUILDING
TELEPHONE 3863

ABILENE, TEXAS

Dec. 14, 1931



American Institute of Architects,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen: Attention Mr. Edwin Bergstrom, Treasurer.

Replying to your letter of the 7th, in regard to our delinquent dues, would state that conditions are such with us right now that it is impossible for us to pay these dues. Our business throughout the year has been very slow and at this time there is scarcely any business at all.

We are mindful of the fact that we owe this bill, and it is our desire to pay it at the first opportunity, and we trust you will bear with us until we can get in some business that will enable us to take care of this bill.

It certainly is our desire to retain our membership in the Institute if it is at all possible for us to do so and we trust that some arrangements can be made whereby we may be extended some extra time.

We appreciate the leniency you have already shown us and will be glad to hear from you in regard to further extension.

Yours very truly,

DAVID S. CASTLE COMPANY

D. S. Castle

over \$25.00 for 1931.

*Mason
What does he want?*

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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February 1, 1932

Dear Mr. Castle:

This will acknowledge your recent letter with regard to your status as a member of The American Institute of Architects, and your indebtedness for your 1931 dues in the amount of \$25.00.

The Board at its November meeting authorized the Secretary to carry into 1932 those members who are not indebted, except for the year 1931. Therefore, no action will be taken adversely affecting your membership, without ample notice at the end of 1932.

We hope very much that business will improve before the close of the year and that you can then send a check covering dues for at least 1931.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. D. S. Castle
David S. Castle Company
Abilene, Texas

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David S. Castle Company

Architects-Engineers

MEMBER
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

ABILENE OFFICE
701-704 ALEXANDER BUILDING
TELEPHONE 3863

ABILENE, TEXAS

July 18, 1932

American Institute of Architecture,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

This letter is to authorize you to cancel
my membership in the Institution, beginning
July 1st.

I cannot pay for this membership at this time
and I do not feel that I should let the charge
accumulate until conditions improve.

I regret that I cannot continue my membership
but feel sure that you can appreciate my position.

Yours very truly,

David S. Castle

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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July 26, 1932

Dear Mr. Castle:

This is the first opportunity to acknowledge your letter of July 18th, with regard to your Institute membership.

It appears that your indebtedness is for the years 1931 and 1932, and under the general authority of the Board your membership can be carried at least until the end of the current year without any possibility of termination.

We hope very much that between now and December 31st business conditions will have improved with you and that you will be in a position to send some payment on account. I am quite sure if you can make a remittance of \$10.00 or \$15.00 between now and November 1st, the Board would concur in recommendation by the Treasurer that your membership be carried over without impairment into 1933.

Surely, by the end of that year, conditions will be greatly improved.

The Institute is greatly concerned at the prospective loss of good members who have encountered financial difficulties. In this crisis, the Institute, as the national society of the architectural profession, and the local Chapter, as its embodiment in the community, greatly need the moral support of the leading members of the profession - as such support is evidenced by their interest and membership.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. David S. Castle,
701 Alexander Building,
Abilene, Texas.

K/G

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

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February 20, 1936.

Dear Mr. Castle:

We write with regret to advise you of the termination of your membership in the Institute and the Chapter to which you are assigned, effective December 31, 1935.

As stated in the Notice of December 6th, the Board of Directors extended the time limit for payment of dues in default to January 31. It directed that 1936 dues be not charged against the accounts of those memberships so terminated.

The Officers and Board sincerely hope that as soon as improved conditions enable you to renew your support of the Institute and the Chapter you will apply for reinstatement in the manner indicated on the enclosed excerpt.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

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Enclosure

✓ Mr. David S. Castle:
1082½ North First Street
Abilene, Texas

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1082 1-2 N. FIRST STREET
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ABILENE, TEXAS

September 12, 1938

*Drop Me
Status*

Dropped for non-payment dues 12-31-35.
Owed dues for 1931-3 period....\$25.00
1934 (\$15.00) 1935 (\$15.00).... 30.00
\$55.00

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Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary
American Institute of Architects
Octagon Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

On October 8th, 1936, I wrote Walter Sharp, President of the Texas Chapter, expressing my desire to reinstate my membership in the American Institute of Architects. On October 22, 1936, he advised on a foot note of another letter that he was looking up the information I requested and would advise.

I have been very busy in this interval and have not inquired further from him as to the situation until now.

During the depression years I was hard-pressed for funds and was unable to keep my membership fees paid. I will appreciate your looking into the matter and advising me at your earliest convenience, what is the proper procedure and what the cost of reinstating my membership at this time.

Yours respectfully,

David S. Castle

DAVID S. CASTLE

DSC:JE

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

COPY

Copy to the Secretary,
North Texas Chapter, A.I.A.

September 14, 1938

Dear Mr. Castle:

Responding to your letter of September 12th, we find from our records that your membership in The Institute and the North Texas Chapter lapsed on December 31, 1935. At that time you were indebted to The Institute for dues as follows:

1931-1933.....	\$25.00
1934.....	15.00
1935.....	15.00
Total.....	\$55.00

It is not necessary for a former member to fill out an application form in order to be re-elected to membership. A letter should be addressed to The Secretary of The Institute requesting reinstatement, setting forth the present status of your architectural practice or work, and transmitting a check covering unpaid dues as above, and an additional amount of \$25.00 for the admission fee - \$5.00 - and one year's dues in advance - \$20.00.

Upon receipt of such letter at The Octagon further procedure will be initiated with the chapter, from which we must have a statement to the effect that the applicant is not indebted to it for dues, and recommending favorable or unfavorable action on the application.

We hope very much to hear from you along the lines indicated above, and can assure you of our best cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

E/g

Executive Secretary

Mr. David S. Castle,
1082½ North First Street,
Abilene, Texas.

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UNDER authority to elect members, as vested in me by The Board of Directors of The American Institute of Architects, by resolution of The Executive Committee adopted at its meeting on December 10-13, 1934; and in accord with the attached report of The Board of Examiners, I hereby declare

APPLICATION NO AP 288

Dated September 23, 1938.
Received September 26, 1938.
Granted December 1, 1938.

David S. Castle
elected a corporate member of The American Institute of Architects and assigned to membership in the North Texas Chapter, effective December 1, 1938

MEMBERSHIP NO 288

Chas. J. Saylor Secretary

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RE-ELECTION TO

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

- A. Name of applicant... David S. Castle... Chapter North Texas...
- B. Address of applicant 1082 1/2 North First Street, Abilene, Texas...
- C. Applicant proposed by and
- D. Application received with check for \$ 80.00..... on..... Sept. 26, 1938.
(Including back dues \$55.00)
- E. Application returned for correction..... 19 .
- F. Application in due order on..... Sept. 26, 1938 .
- G. Notices sent to chapter executive committee:
 - (a) Form S11, reasonable time ending on Oct. 27, 1938, on Sept. 27, 1938.
 - (b) Form S12, 30 day extension ending on Nov. 27, 1938., on Oct. 27 1938.
- H. Acknowledgments to applicant, proposers, and chapter on..... Sept. 27, 1938.
- I. Advice
Gertified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission or that application be denied received on..... Sept. 26, 1938.
- J. No report from chapter executive committee on..... 19 .
- K. Application sent to The Board of Examiners on..... Sept. 30, 1938.
- L. The Board of Examiners reported on application on..... Sept. 30, 1938.
- M. Applicant was admitted on..... December 1, 1938.
- N. Notice and certificate to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter and letter to proposers on..... November 28, 1938 .
- O. Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$... returned to applicant on..... 19 .
- P/ Questionnaire, in re: Registration on..... Sept. 27, 1938. Rec(d 10/3/38

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ABILENE, TEXAS

September 23, 1938



The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon, 1641 New York Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Edward C. Kemper, Executive Secretary

Dear Mr. Kemper:

Thanks for your letter of the 14th advising regarding my membership fees in the Institute as follows:

1931-1933.....	\$ 25.00
1934	15.00
1935	15.00
Admission fee	5.00
One Year's dues in advance	20.00
TOTAL...\$	80.00

Enclosed is my check in amount of \$80.00 covering the above.

I also enclose a Photo Copy of a letter from Mr. Walter C. Sharp, dated September 10th, 1938, in which he advises that there are no back dues of any sort to be taken care of in the North Texas Chapter.

Regarding the present status of my work, wish to state that I now have under construction a \$300,000.00 Home for Children (or Orphanage) here in Abilene, a \$100,000.00 Courthouse at Sterling City for Sterling County, and in addition, some three or four schools and gymnasiums, most of which are P.W.A. jobs. The volume of business for the past year or so has approximated \$500,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00. We trust this is the information you desired on this point.

Please take such procedure as necessary to reinstate my membership at your convenience and send me such receipts as I should have.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I remain

Yours respectfully,

David S. Castle
DAVID S. CASTLE

PAID
\$ 80.00 9/26/38 h-

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WALTER C SHARP
Architect
CONSTRUCTION BUILDING
DALLAS TEXAS

MEMBER AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

September 10, 1938

Mr. David S. Castle
1082½ N. First Street
Abilene, Texas

My dear Mr. Castle:

Responding to your letter of September 8:

I am glad to hear that you are thinking of the Institute in terms of your reinstatement.

I wish you would write to Mr. E. C. Kemper, executive secretary of the Institute at Washington, to ascertain first hand exactly how you stand with the national body. Regarding the North Texas Chapter, there are no back dues of any sort to be taken care of.

After all, the Institute has given architecture more practical advertisement during the last several years than could have been arranged for in any other way, and I certainly believe that architects owe it to the Institute to back it up with membership.

Very sincerely yours,

Walter C. Sharp
Walter C. Sharp, Architect

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DAVID S. CASTLE CO.
ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS
ABILENE, TEXAS

Received BY *[Signature]*

SEP 11 1938

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Answered By

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

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Copy to the Director,
Gulf States District, A.I.A.
Secretary,
North Texas Chapter, A.I.A.

September 27, 1938

Dear Mr. Castle:

Your application for election and reinstatement to membership in The Institute and its North Texas Chapter, dated September 23, 1938, with your check for \$80.00 attached, has been received. The Board of Directors will be glad to learn of your decision to take up your membership again.

Your application is in due order and The Secretary will do everything he can to expedite its progress.

You will be notified promptly of the result of The Board's action on your application.

Very sincerely,

Chas. J. Ingraham
Secretary

CTI/g

Mr. David S. Castle, Architect,
1082 1/2 North First Street,
Abilene, Texas.

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PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

TREASURER



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.
Office of The Secretary
RECORD OF REGISTRATION
OF



DAVID S. CASTLE
(Name of Applicant)
Abilene, Texas

SECRETARY,
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,
Address Burt Building, Dallas, Texas

Dear Sir:

The above named applicant for membership in The American Institute of Architects is an architect practicing in your state.

To qualify for such membership, an applicant, if resident in a state having registration or licensing laws for architects, must be registered or licensed by the state to practice architecture therein.

Will you please answer the following questions relating to the applicant's registration, to assist The Institute in determining his eligibility for membership? A duplicate of the form is enclosed for your files.

Date September 27, 1938

Chas. J. Ingraham
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state? Yes.
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination? Yes. or by exemption?
3. What was the scope of the examination?
4. What was the period of the examination?.....days. Written examination.....hours; Oral examination.....hours.
5. When examined, did applicant have a certificate from the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards? If so, give Certificate No.....
6. Date of last registration July 31 1938. Registration No. 51. Is it current? Yes

Sheldon Board
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date 10/1 1938

Texas Board of Architectural Examiners
(Name of Board)

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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November 28, 1938

Dear Mr. Castle:

The Secretary is happy to inform you that your application for reinstatement to membership in The Institute was acted on favorably by The Board of Directors and that you were readmitted to corporate membership in The Institute and assigned to membership in the North Texas Chapter effective December 1, 1938. You will be a member of that chapter, or of some other chapter if you later transfer thereto, until your membership in The Institute terminates.

The Board of Directors welcomes you again to membership in The Institute and The Secretary's office is at your service to the extent of its powers.

The policies and the activities of The Institute are developed largely from problems arising within the chapters. By taking an active part in your chapter affairs you will contribute to the advancement of the objects of The Institute and will increase the benefits to be derived from Institute membership.

We bespeak your active cooperation.

Sincerely yours,



Secretary.

Kms

Mr. David S. Castle, A.I.A.,
1082½ North First Street,
Abilene, Texas.

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DAVID S. CASTLE, SR. A.I.A.
REGISTERED
ARCHITECT & ENGINEER

ABILENE OFFICE
1082½ N. FIRST STREET
TELEPHONE 3863

ABILENE, TEXAS

April 1, 1949

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Executive Secretary,
American Institute of Architects,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir : -

Mr. Preston M. Geren of the Fort Worth Chapter, A. I. A., advises that if we desired our membership transferred from the Dallas Chapter to the Fort Worth Chapter that it is necessary to secure your approval of this transfer.

We will appreciate your considering this our request for this transfer and would also appreciate your advising if there is any further information the writer need supply to accompany the above.

Yours respectfully,

DAVID S. CASTLE COMPANY

David S. Castle
David S. Castle

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cc - Mr. Preston M. Geren

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ABILENE OFFICE
1082½ N. FIRST STREET
TELEPHONE 3863

ABILENE, TEXAS

April 1, 1949

Mr. Preston M. Geren, President,
Fort Worth Chapter, A. I. A.,
905 Neil P. Anderson Building,
Fort Worth 2, Texas.

Dear Preston : -

Sorry you were unable to get in touch with me when you passed through Abilene the morning of March 10th as I want you to know I will always be glad to see you and talk with you.

In accordance with your suggestion, I am writing the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects, Washington, D. C. to change my assignment from the Dallas Chapter to the Fort Worth Chapter. I enclose herewith a copy of this letter of request for your information.

Rest assured it will be a pleasure to be associated with the many good men composing the Fort Worth Chapter.

Sorry I could not attend the Convention this year but due to being allergic to penicillin, I was compelled to spend about six days in the hospital as a result of three big doses which were intended to be a lifter-up to assist in overcoming a bad cold I had.

I will be glad to follow through on this question of transferring membership to the Fort Worth Chapter and will keep you advised regarding same.

Kindest personal regards.

Yours truly,

DAVID S. CASTLE COMPANY

David S. Castle
David S. Castle

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HERBERT M. TATUM, PRESIDENT
A. B. SWANK, JR., VICE-PRESIDENT



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INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
HAROLD VAUGHN, SECRETARY
JOSEPH M. MILLS, TREASURER
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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DALLAS CHAPTER
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
DALLAS 2, TEXAS
December 8, 1948

Mr. David S. Castle, A.I.A.
Alexander Building
Abilene, Texas

Dear Mr. Castle:

I understand that you wish to transfer your Chapter assignment in the A.I.A. from the Dallas to the Fort Worth Chapter. I believe that there was some confusion on your part at the time the Fort Worth Chapter was established and you assumed that your transfer would be automatic. This however was not the case and you are still assigned to the Dallas Chapter.

To arrange the transfer it will be necessary for you to write to Mr. Edward C. Kemper, Executive Director, The American Institute of Architects, 1741 New York Avenue, N.W., Washington 6, D. C., requesting that your Chapter assignment be changed. Mr. Kemper in turn will check with the Dallas and the Fort Worth Chapters to determine if you are in good standing in Dallas and that your transfer is acceptable to the Fort Worth Chapter. If these responses are favorable, and I feel that they will be, the transfer will be made effective forthwith.

I find from our Treasurer that you paid local dues to the Dallas Chapter for 1947 and I believe you also paid local dues to the Fort Worth Chapter for that year. If this is the case I suggest that you so state in your request and ask that your transfer be made retroactive to January 1, 1947. I believe you may then, if the transfer is approved, request a refund of the dues you paid to the Dallas Chapter.

Cordially yours,

Harold Vaughn
Secretary

Copy to: Mr. Edward C. Kemper
Washington 6, D. C.

EVERETT V. WELCH, PRESIDENT
JOHN B. DANNA, VICE-PRESIDENT
GEORGE W. EDWARDS, TREASURER

HOWARD R. MEYER, SECRETARY
2907 MAPLE AVENUE, DALLAS 4



DALLAS CHAPTER
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
DALLAS, TEXAS

April 13th, 1949.

Mr. Edmund R. Purves, Executive Director,
The American Institute of Architects,
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.,
Washington 6, D.C.

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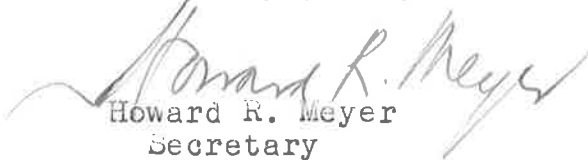
Re: David S. Castle, Sr.

Dear Mr. Purves:

Reference is made to your Notice of Request for Transfer dated April 7, 1949, with reference to the transfer of Mr. David S. Castle, Sr. from the Dallas Chapter, A.I.A. to the Fort Worth Chapter.

Mr. Castle is in good standing in the Dallas Chapter and we recommend that the transfer be made in view of the fact that Mr. Castle resides within the geographic limits of the Fort Worth Chapter.

Cordially yours,


Howard R. Meyer
Secretary

HRM:VC



REC'D APR 18 1949

FORT WORTH CHAPTER
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
905 Neil P. Anderson Bldg.
FORT WORTH 2, TEXAS

April 15, 1949

Mr. Edmund R. Purves
Executive Director
American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This will serve to notify you of the approval by the Fort Worth Chapter, A.I.A. of the proposed transfer to this Chapter from the Dallas Chapter, A.I.A. of the following member:

Mr. David S. Castle, Sr., A.I.A.
1082 $\frac{1}{2}$ North First Street
Abilene, Texas

Yours very truly,

F. W. Digby-Roberts
F. W. Digby-Roberts
Secretary

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
1741 NEW YORK AVENUE, N. W.
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

April 18, 1949

NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

Effective Date **April 1, 1949**

TO: *Transferred Member:* **Mr. David S. Castle, Sr., A.I.A.**
1082½ North First Street
Abilene, Texas

Secretary of Chapter **Mr. F. W. Digby-Roberts, Secretary**
To Which Member is **Fort Worth Chapter, A.I.A.**
Transferred **905 Neil P. Anderson Building**
Fort Worth 2, Texas

Secretary of Chapter **Mr. Howard R. Meyer, Secretary**
From Which Member **Dallas Chapter, A.I.A.**
Is Transferred **2907 Maple Avenue**
Dallas 4, Texas

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.

Sincerely yours,

SECRETARY

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Castle

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JANUARY 3, 1951
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NIGHT LETTER - COLLECT

MR DAVID S CASTLE SR
1082 1/2 NORTH FIRST STREET
ABILENE, TEXAS

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RECOMMEND CONTACTING DISTRICT ENGINEERS, US ARMY, PUBLIC WORKS OFFICERS, NAVAL DISTRICTS.
NO LIST OF PROJECTS AVAILABLE BUT RECOMMEND YOU INQUIRE AT ABOVE OFFICES. WATCH
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EDMUND R. PUEVES
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR A.I.A.

cc: Mrs. Miller

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[Archivist's note: The July 1949 issue of *Bulletin of the American Institute of Architects*, pp. 19-20, had a list of contact names and addresses for "some of the Federal Agencies which may employ private architectural firms." It included some but not all of the names given above.]

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Castle, David S.

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
1741 NEW YORK AVENUE, N. W.
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

November 30, 1953

NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

Effective Date - November 17, 1953

TO: *Transferred Member:*

Mr. David S. Castle, Sr., A.I.A.
1082 1/2 North First Street
Abilene, Texas

*Secretary of Chapter
To Which Member is
Transferred*

Mr. Woodlief F. Brown, Secretary
West Texas Chapter, A.I.A.
217 Mims Building
Abilene, Texas

*Secretary of Chapter
From Which Member
Is Transferred*

Mr. William R. Lane, Secretary
Fort Worth Chapter, A.I.A.
555 South Lake Street
Fort Worth, Texas

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.

Sincerely yours,

SECRETARY

Copy to the Secretary,
Texas Society of Architects, A.I.A.

THE DAVID S. CASTLE COMPANY

ANNOUNCES WITH PROFOUND SORROW

THE DEATH OF ITS FOUNDER

MR. DAVID S. CASTLE, SR.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER TWENTY-EIGHTH

NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX

ABILENE, TEXAS

*1922
W. Texas*

OCT 29 1956

Architect David Castle Dies at 72

David S. Castle Sr., 72, Abilene architect and resident here since October 1914, died about 5 a.m. Sunday at his home, 1742 N. 2nd St., after an extended illness.

Funeral will be held Monday at 3:30 p.m. at Elliott's Chapel of Memories with the Rev. Willis P. Gerhart, pastor of the Episcopal Church of the Heavenly Rest, officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Hill Cemetery beside the grave of his wife.

Mr. Castle was a member, former steward and former board member of the St. Paul Methodist Church, charter member of the Abilene Country Club, Abilene Club and Abilene Lions Club; member of the Texas Architects Assn., the American Institute of Architects and the Texas chapter of Professional Engineers of America. He also was a Mason and a Shriner.

Born Feb. 13, 1884 in Constantine, Mich., young Castle left home at the age of 15 and rode his bicycle to Chicago (120 miles

away) where he got a job stacking cans in a tin can factory. He later worked as a messenger boy with the Chicago Telephone & Telegraph Co. He was made manager of the supply department and became interested in engineering. He was given a part time job in the firm's drafting department and studied in night school at the Lewis Institute in Chicago for two and a half years.

He enrolled in Armour Institute in 1902 at the age of 18 and worked his way through school. He had to drop out for one year to finance himself, but returned to complete three and one half years of study. He returned to Chicago T&T Co., drawing plans and specifications for phone buildings. In the next several years he did similar work until in 1911 he joined the Texas Company engineering department.

In 1913 he became associated with M. L. Waller in the architect business in Fort Worth and then in October 1914 he opened an office for that firm in the Radford Building in Abilene and supervised designing, planning and construction of the Oldham Building at N. 1st and Cypress Sts.

In 1915 he established the David S. Castle Co.

David S. Castle

Many Buildings

In the years since, his firm has done work on scores of major buildings in West Texas including the Windsor Hotel, Wooten Hotel, Abilene Post Office, West Texas Utilities Building, McMurry College, Abilene Christian College and Hardin-Simmons University buildings in Abilene, the Scharbauer Hotel in Midland, Settles Hotel in Big Spring, Burch Hotel in Breckenridge, Coleman Hotel in Coleman and many others. From 1920 until 1935 the firm planned all Abilene city school buildings, did about 20 buildings for West Texas Utilities Co. in area towns and about 30 others for the Radford Grocery Co.

On April 17 of this year Mr. Castle was honored by the West Texas Chapter of Associated General Contractors for his long service. In 1950 the Abilene chapter of Professional Engineers of America presented him a Certificate of Award for "outstanding accomplishments" in the field of professional engineering.

On May 9, 1907, Mr. Castle married Lillian Markley in Topeka, Kan. They lived first in Dallas then built their permanent home at 1742 N. 2nd St. here. Mrs. Castle died April 30, 1930.

Survivors are one son, David Jr., of 4098 Avondale St., a partner in the architectural firm; two daughters, Mrs. W. C. Smith of 710 Lexington Ave. and Mrs. T. J. McCarty of Castle Drive at Lytle Lake; two half-brothers, Leland and Arthur Castle, both of Detroit, Mich.

Active pallbearers will be F. C. Olds, Walter Balfanz, Maurice Brooks, Dean Austin, Toby Shackelford and W. L. Lewis.

Castle, David

Abilene, Tex., Evening Reporter-Ne
Circ. D. 18,346 S. 35,660

OCT 29 1956

Rites Today for Longtime Architect, David Castle Sr.

Funeral will be at 3:30 p.m. Monday at Elliott's Chapel of Memories for Davis S. Castle Sr., 72, Abilene architect who died at his home here Sunday.

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On April 17 of this year, Mr. Castle was honored by the West Texas Chapter of Associated General Contractors for his long service. In 1950, the Abilene Chapter of Professional Engineers of America presented him a Certificate of Award for "outstanding accomplishments" in the field of professional engineering.

Born Feb. 13, 1884, in Constantine, Mich., Castle left home at the age of 15 and rode his bicycle to Chicago (120 miles away) where he got a job stacking cans in a tin can factory. He later worked as a messenger boy with the Chicago Telephone & Telegraph Co. Made manager of the supply department, he became interested in engineering, and was given a part time job in the firm's drafting department. He also studied in night school at the Lewis Institute in Chicago for two and a half years.

In 1902, he enrolled in Armour Institute at the age of 18 and worked his way through school. He had to drop out for one year to finance himself, but returned to complete three and one half years of study. Returning to Chicago T&T Co., he drew plans and specifications for telephone buildings. In the next



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several years, he did similar work until in 1911 he joined the Texas Company engineering department.

He became associated with M. L. Waller in the architect field in Fort Worth in 1913 and then in October, 1914, he opened an office for that firm in the Radford Building in Abilene and supervised designing, planning and construction of the Oldham Building at N. 1st and Cypress Sts.

In 1915, he established the David S. Castle Co.

In the years since, his firm has done work on scores of major buildings in West Texas, including

the Windsor Hotel, Wooten Hotel, Abilene Post Office, West Texas Utilities Building, McMurry College, Abilene Christian College and Hardin-Simmons University buildings in Abilene, the Scharbauer Hotel in Midland, Settles Hotel in Big Spring, Burch Hotel in Breckenridge, Coleman Hotel in Coleman and many others.

From 1920 until 1935, the firm planned all Abilene city school buildings, did about 20 buildings for West Texas Utilities Co. in area towns and about 30 others for the Radford Grocery Co.

Mr. Castle married Lillian Markley in Topeka, Kan., on May 9, 1907. They lived first in Dallas, then built their permanent home at 1742 N. 2nd St. here. Mrs. Castle died April 30, 1930.

Survivors are one son, David Jr., of 4098 Avondale St., a partner in the architectural firm; two daughters, Mrs. W. C. Smith of 710 Lexington Ave. and Mrs. T. J. McCarty of Castle Drive at Lyle Lake; two half-brothers, Leland and Arthur Castle, both of Detroit, Mich.

Active pallbearers will be F. C. Olds, Walter Balfanz, Maurice Brooks, Dean Austin, Toby Shackelford and W. L. Lewis.