

Smith, J. Frazer
Tennessee

Wesley V. Cook
see letter inside

Application for Membership

Oct 3, 1925

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:

Provisional Fee \$7.50 10/10/25
Initiated
Given
Examination must and
S.A.A. Name

Name J. Frazer Smith

Address 400 Goodwyn Inst. Bldg. Memphis Tenn
[Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth Canton Miss March 25 1897

Graduate in architecture at Georgia School of Technology
[If required in your case give name of institutions and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation.]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture.....
[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 Ecolè des Beaux Arts.....
[If required in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate.]

If an Associate of a Chapter of the Institute, give name of chapter.....

If practicing architect, firm name J. Frazer Smith & H.M. Burnham

Have been in practice 7 years..... years

If draughtsman, employed by.....
[State number of years.]

Collegiate and office training B.S. in Arch at Georgia Tech.
2 1/2 years draughtsman = 4 years practice

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.

J. Frazer Smith
[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.

Registration or License Number.

If the applicant resides or has his principal place of business in a Registration or License law state the current number of his Registration or License should be noted here.

(.....)
NUMBER

- (1) M. H. Frohman
- (2) Wesley V. Cook
- (3) Raymond A. Cline

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required even if 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, and in which there are no negative votes. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

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EXTRACT FROM LETTER OF FEBRUARY 4 FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE
TENNESSEE CHAPTER OF THE A. I. A.

Memphis Tennessee.
February 4, 1926.

"I am sending you herewith applications for membership
in the American Institute of Architects, of the following men:

H. M. Burnham

Henry J. Kramer

Irven D. McDaniel

Walter H. Nelson

J. Frazer Smith

Wm. A. Rutherford

These names have been voted on by the entire Chapter and
are unanimously endorsed with the exception of Mr. Wm. A. Rutherford.

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

COPY

April 1, 1926

Dear Mr. Smith:

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in the American Institute of Architects, effective April 1, 1926.

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

The enclosed statement covering dues for the last three quarters of the current year should receive your prompt attention.

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. J. Frazer Smith,
400 Goodwyn Trust Building,
Memphis, Tenn.

K/FHG

Enc.

J. FRAZER SMITH, INC.
ARCHITECTS
SUITE 404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE
MEMPHIS, TENN.

Dec.15th,1930 $\frac{1}{4}$



Mr. Frank C. Baldwin
The Octagon,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Baldwin.

I am in receipt of your letter of Dec.4th. in reference to the dues I owe The Institute.

I am very muchly embarised over the situation but really, Mr. Baldwin, at this very minute, there is nothing I can do about it. I have bills out for over five thousand dollars owing this office in fees and can't collect a dollar. In addition to this our State licenses are due in Tennessee and Mississippi with an additional privilege tax in each State.

I have promises which, if they mature, will enable me to pay a part or all I owe the Institute by the first of the year. I sincerely hope I am able to realize on these and settle up. If I am not, I see no other way than resign for I would not want to go into another year under such conditions. To do this would be a sacrifice on my part, as I have taken quite an interest in Institute affairs lately and am very muchly interested in this years program.

I hope I will be able to carry on my part but I realize that, in order for the Institute to operate, there must be money to carry on. This is the only thing that will stand in my way. I hope other men in the profession are finding finances least worrissome and will make it possible to carry the good work on.

Thanking you for your interest in the matter, I am

Very truly yours,

Smith

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J. FRAZER SMITH, INC.
ARCHITECTS
SUITE 404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE
MEMPHIS, TENN.

June 29, 1931.



Mr. Max Furbringer
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Furbringer:-

Since our conversation over the telephone I have neglected writing to you because I have expected to be able to meet my obligation to the Institute any day. However, repeated promises on the part of my clients have failed to come through and I find I will not be able to pay anything at this time.

Things are beginning to look better for us and I believe within sixty days we will be able to meet at least a great part of the arrears, and if it is possible to carry on for that length of time without my part I feel sure that I can bring up my end at that time.

Thanking you for your interest in the above, I am,

Sincerely yours,

By *J. Frazer Smith*
J. FRAZER SMITH, INC.

JFS/L

*Good member -
Mr. H. D.*

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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October 20, 1931.

Dear Mr. Smith:

As you know, the Institute is most hopeful that you will maintain your professional society affiliations, both with the national organization and with the Tennessee Chapter.

Your indebtedness for Institute dues at the present time is \$75.00, including the current year.

At the Fall meeting of the Board of Directors, on November 19th, some action must be taken with respect to those delinquents who are indebted for a long period.

This letter is an informal one, to remind you of the situation, and to express the very earnest hope that you can send a check for at least \$25 by November 15th, thus permitting the Board to hold your membership in both the Institute and the Chapter for at least another year.

Please do the best you can to make the suggested payment on account.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Mr. J. Fraser Smith, A.I.A.,
Tennessee Chapter,
400 Goodwyn Institute,
Memphis, Tennessee.

FCB*B
cc-President Tennessee Chapter
Secretary " "
Regional Director,
Gulf States Division.

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PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

TREASURER

*Mrs. who the check said
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*Received by Jue
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J. FRAZER SMITH, INC.
ARCHITECTS
SUITE 404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE
MEMPHIS, TENN.

Dec. 15, 1931.



Mr. Frank C. Baldwin.
The Octagon.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

I have yours of Nov. 30 and note what you have to say about the condition of my past due account.

check

I was informed last month that a payment was required in order to maintain my membership. On Nov. 7th. I mailed you check for twenty five dollars which was in accord with my promise to Mr. Furbringer.

I am wondering that whether or not you were informed of this payment at the time of your above letter and if this will not suffice. Things are kinder tough here now but I can pay within a few weeks. Two such payments with in one month is a little more than I can do.

Thanking you for your attention to the above, I am,

Very truly yours,

J. Frazer Smith
J. Frazer Smith.

*Paid \$25.00 11/10/31 -
Still owes \$50.00 for 1930 and 1931.*

Mr. Kemper:
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January 26, 1932

Mr. J. Frazer Smith,
Suite 404 Goodwyn Institute,
Memphis, Tennessee.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Your letter of December 15 relating to payment of back dues was forwarded to me for reply. Letters from other members on the same subject have also been forwarded to me, and I am answering them as fast as I can find the time to do so. I trust you will pardon my delay to yours.

Your check for \$25 in payment of 1929 dues was received on the 10th of November last. That you received a further notice putting a time limit on the balance of two years dues for which you are indebted was because the Board at its November meeting required that such notice should be given to every member who owed for the two years or more. It was with the greatest reluctance that the Board felt it necessary to take that action, but if it had not taken it at that time, another years dues would have been added on to those members, making them owe \$75, and in some cases \$100. From its experience the Board knew that to be extremely inadvisable and would result in the loss of the member, probably permanently. So the Board did what it believed was for the best interests of the individual members, and while the action can not be recalled, you may be sure that in your case it will not close the way to a restoration of your membership, without lapse and without formality.

So long as you are now indebted for only the two years, if, as you expect, you can make a payment within a few weeks your membership will be carried on The Institute record without lapse. If you are disappointed in your expected funds and cannot pay The Institute within the time you hope, and will state the circumstances to your Chapter officers, asking that you be carried through 1932, undoubtedly the Chapter and The Institute will do so, on the condition that if you liquidate the indebtedness before the end of the year you will be restored as a member without lapse, otherwise the termination of the membership will be recorded as of December 31, 1931. In the latter event the dues of 1932 will not be added, making it much easier to return. No petition for readmission will be necessary; a check or a note will be sufficient to have the record cleared. Also the Board will gladly accept the payment of the indebtedness in installments as low as \$5 a year, if that will be of help.

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The only other thing that can be done is to have the delinquent dues remitted up to December 31, 1931. This can be done through the recommendation of the Chapter to The Institute, and the remission by the Chapter of its dues for the similar period.

The Institute regrets that it ever has to terminate any membership and particularly for the indebtedness of the member. Especially regrettable is it when such a notice effects so many deserving members, as it must in this present period, but the Board has not so acted until it has extended the time of making dues payments long beyond the period contemplated under the By-Laws, nor has it ever failed to heed a request for leniency in any particular case and to comply with it when it could do so in fairness to the rest of the membership.

Those of us who have to act for the Board can only hope that you will understand the regret with which the action was taken, will recognize that no other course was possible, and will feel that the restoration of the membership is made as simple and easy as possible.

We shall be very glad to hear from you further on this matter.

Very truly yours,

TREASURER

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

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March 1, 1932.

Dear Mr. Smith:

It is with genuine regret that I write, as Secretary of the Institute, to advise you of the termination of your membership in the Institute and your Chapter, effective December 31, 1931, for non-payment of Institute dues.

The Treasurer, and the Secretary's Office, sent to you various statements of account and letters, in the hope that you would find it possible to make a remittance, in whole or in part, and thereby continue your affiliation with The American Institute of Architects and your Chapter.

It is realized that conditions in the building industry have remained on a most unfavorable basis during the past year, and for that reason the Institute made a special effort to retain your membership as long as possible.

It is believed that you will approve of the action taken. The alternative was to allow the dues to so increase as to make future reinstatement a heavy expense.

I am hoping very much that the circumstances which prevented you from carrying on your Institute membership will speedily change, and that you will soon be thinking of taking up your membership again. When you are ready to do so, I can assure you that the Institute will make the way back very simple and easy. The Board has already made provision whereby the old account can be paid off in installments and over a period of time that will not be onerous to you.

I am going to write to you from time to time, reminding you that the Institute desires your return to its membership and its councils, and so that your return can be worked out to your best convenience.

With best wishes, and with the hope that we may soon regain you as a member of The American Institute of Architects, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Mr. J. Frazer Smith,
400 Goodwyn Institute,
Memphis, Tenn.

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J. FRAZER SMITH, INC.
ARCHITECTS
SUITE 404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE
MEMPHIS, TENN.

March 29, 1932.



Mr. Frank C. Baldwin, Secretary,
American Institute of Architects,
1741 New York Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Baldwin,

I have your letter of March 1st. which for some reason or other has just reached my office. I note what you have to say concerning non-payment of Institute dues.

In a personal conversation with Mr. Furbringer, I understood that this matter would be handled by our Chapter and I was in the act of making up several applications for this purpose.

Will you please advise me how this old account can be paid off in installments and over what period of time it can be spread? If you have blank agreement or notes for this purpose please send me about twelve of them as there are a number of our members in the same boat as I am.

As far as I am personally concerned please write my ticket out the way it is satisfactory to you and I will comply with your request immediately.

Thanking you for your immediate attention to the above and hoping to have an immediate reply, I am,

Very truly yours,

P. S. This is serious, I am supposed to be a delegate to a Convention in April and here I am not even a member.

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

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April 2, 1932

Dear Mr. Smith:

As Mr. Baldwin's direction, I am responding to your letter of March 29th to him, with regard to your membership in the Institute.

Am sorry to say that we were obliged to terminate your membership on December 31st, under a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors at its November meeting.

That resolution was only adopted after long consideration and with much regret. The Board has been and is carrying a large number of Institute members who were indebted for two years or more on December 31, 1931.

Finally, and for the protection of the members themselves, it was decided that the memberships of those indebted for two years or more, on December 31, 1931, should be terminated so that the indebtedness would not pile up, thus making reinstatement very difficult, if not impossible.

Am sure you will appreciate the wisdom of this procedure. We have found that members who accumulate an indebtedness of \$75.00 or \$100.00 almost never come back into the Institute.

When they go out with an indebtedness of only \$50.00, the return is much simpler and easier.

The Board also authorized the Treasurer to accept notes from those former members who wished to be reinstated, and those notes, covering the indebtedness at the time of termination, may cover a period of from one to five years. If for a period greater than one year, payments will be accepted in equal installments.

The procedure for reinstatement is not complicated. If you will address a letter to the Secretary of the Institute, requesting reinstatement and attaching thereto such payment on account as you can make conveniently, with a note covering the balance - thus taking care of your indebtedness - and if that letter is sent forward through the Secretary of your Chapter with his O.K. thereon, the record is complete, except for the affirmative vote of the Board, which can be depended upon.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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If you will get such a letter to this office by April 20th, the reinstatement can be acted upon by the Board at its meeting on April 22nd. We can then telegraph you and you can come to the Convention as a Delegate of the Tennessee Chapter and as an Institute Member in good standing.

We hope this suggestion will meet with your approval, and that the undersigned, and also the Treasurer of the Institute, Mr. Bergstrom, may have a chance to talk with you, personally, at the time of the Convention.

We take the liberty of sending a copy of this letter on to Mr. Furbringer, because of his very keen interest in the members and Chapters in his Division; also, to Mr. Bergstrom, the Treasurer, for the same reasons.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. J. Frazer Smith,
404 Goodwyn Institute,
Memphis, Tenn.

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Copy to Mr. Bergstrom
Mr. Furbringer

J. FRAZER SMITH, INC.
ARCHITECTS
SUITE 404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE
MEMPHIS, TENN.

April 7, 1932.

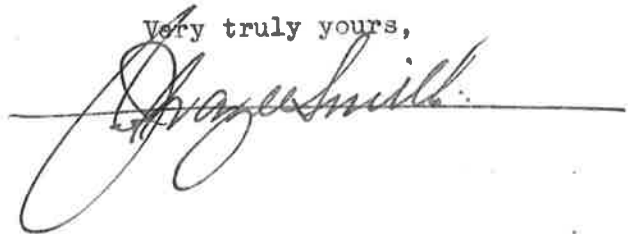
Mr. Edward Kemper,
Executive Secretary,
American Institutes of Architect
1741 New York Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper,

Thank you for your letter of April 2nd. I inclose a check for \$10.00 and four notes for \$10.00 each, hoping my Institute fees are up to date. This is according to what I understand by your letter will be necessary for my reinstatement.

Thanking you again for your kind attention to the above I am,

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J. Frazer Smith", written over a horizontal line.

MLP:

O.K.
Louis H. Bull

Sec.-Treas. Tenn. Chapter, A. I. A.

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TENNESSEE CHAPTER
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

April 8, 1932



Edward C. Kemper, Exc. Sec'y.
American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:-

Enclosed you will find a letter from Mr. J. Frazer Smith, of Memphis, Tenn., endorsed as requested, together with certain other data pertaining to his re-instatement as a member in good standing.

Personally I would feel very much gratified to see Mr. Smith retain his membership in the Institute; I am quite sure that I express the sentiment of our entire Chapter, when I say that we consider Mr. Smith one of our outstanding members; he is an indefatigable and ardent worker, and we value his past service to the Chapter.

I am sure no mistake would be made in restoring his membership under the conditions outlined in his letter.

With kindest regards,

Yours Sincerely,

Louis H. Bull

Sec- Treas. Tenn. Chapter A.I.A.



Drop paid for non-pay' dues 12/31/31 owing for 1930-31 dues
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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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For Mr. Bergstrom

April 16, 1932

Dear Mr. Smith:

We are pleased to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of April 7th, with your check for \$10.00 and four notes for \$10.00 each, totaling \$50.00, as received through the Secretary-Treasurer of the Tennessee Chapter.

This arrangement will take care of your indebtedness to The American Institute of Architects for your annual dues for the years 1930, and 1931.

Your application for reinstatement to membership in The Institute has the approval of the Tennessee Chapter, and we are now in a position to present it to the Board of Directors at its meeting commencing April 22nd, for consideration and action.

As promised in my letter to you of April 2nd, I shall see that you are advised, by telegram, of the action taken, as soon as possible.

Inasmuch as copy of my previous letter to you was sent to both Messrs. Bergstrom and Furbringer, I am sending to them copy of this letter, also, so that they may be informed of the status of your reinstatement.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. J. Frazer Smith,
404 Goodwyn Institute,
Memphis, Tenn.

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Copy to Mr. Bergstrom
Mr. Furbringer
Mr. Bull

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

COPY

April 16, 1932

Dear Mr. Bull:

We appreciate very much your letter of April 8th, transmitting the application of Mr. J. Frazer Smith for reinstatement in the Institute and the Tennessee Chapter, with the approval of the Chapter thereon.

We have acknowledged to Mr. Smith the receipt of his check and notes totaling \$50.00 in payment of his dues for 1930 and 1931, in accordance with the attached copy of letter.

The matter will be submitted to the Board of Directors at its coming meeting for consideration and action, and you will be advised promptly of the action taken.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Louis H. Bull, Secretary,
Tennessee Chapter, A. I. A., 13
1301 Volunteer Building,
Chattanooga, Tenn.

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NIGHT LETTER	WEEK END LETTER

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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

J. C. WILLEVER, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

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APRIL 22, 1932

MR. J. FRAZER SMITH
 GOODWIN INSTITUTE
 MEMPHIS, TENN.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REINSTATED YOU AS INSTITUTE MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING
 WITH ASSIGNMENT TO TENNESSEE CHAPTER EFFECTIVE TODAY step HOPE YOU
 ARE COMING TO CONVENTION

FRANK C. BALDWIN, SECRETARY

Charge to
 The American Institute of Architects.

THE QUICKEST, SUREST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH OR CABLE

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June 26, 1933

Dear Mr. Smith:

We are advised by the Riggs National Bank of Washington that your note dated April 7, 1932, and payable to the Institute, in the sum of \$10.00, on account of Membership dues, was not paid.

The note was due on April 7, 1933.

I am sure that this was not intentional on your part and, at the direction of the Treasurer, the matter is called to your attention for prompt action.

Will you not send your check, so that we may clear the record here at The Octagon?

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. J. Frazer Smith,
400 Goodwyn Institute,
Memphis, Tennessee.

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THE TENNESSEE CHAPTER
OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS, INC.

406 Goodwyn Institute,
Memphis, Tennessee.



April 23rd,
1934.

The Octagon,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

"Att: Mr. E. C. Kemper, Sec'y"

Inclosed please find information asked for in your letter of April 13th concerning bill S-3348.

I inclose post office money order for \$5.00 for part payment of 1934 dues. This amount I understand will be sufficient to qualify me as delegate at the on coming Convention. Please advise if this is not correct.

Trusting the above information is what you desire, I am

Most sincerely yours,

J. Frazer Smith
J. FRAZER SMITH.



J. FRAZER SMITH, INC.
A R C H I T E C T S

SUITE 404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE
M E M P H I S, T E N N.

Dear Ed:

I have been receiving some carbon copies of correspondence to Moise Goldstein, regional director, which I presume you are sending to me because of your anticipation of my being his successor.

Due to my absence at the last State Meeting and to some unbelievably petty jealousies and Chapter politics, Joe Holman has been endorsed by the Chapter and our four delegates instructed to nominate him from the floor and to sponsor his candidacy for regional director. I understand they are laboring under the misapprehension that it is the Tennessee Chapter's time to have a director and that the Institute would want them to name their choice. Be that as it may, after conference with Max Furbringer, Moise Goldstein and Ralph Cameron, I have decided to retain my position as candidate for director.

The thought occurred to me that since this unfortunate circumstance has arisen, that I should advise you in order that you may not further assume that I will be elected by proclamation and that therefore you might not want to continue sending me unofficial documents anticipating my election, which might not take place.

With kindest regards to you and the staff and hoping to see you at the Convention, I am,

Sincerely,


J. Frazer Smith - A.I.A.

JFS:ib

THE AMERICAN
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

September 12, 1939.

Mr. Edw. Kemper, Executive Secretary,
American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon,
Washington, D. C.

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Sincerely,


J. Frazer Smith - A.I.A.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Smith

September 14, 1939.

Dear Frazer:

Yours of September 10:

We will look forward to seeing you in Washington at the opening of the Convention - and I hope there will be an opportunity to have a chat about the matters contained in your letter.

With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

J.C.A.

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, A.I.A.,
404 Goodwyn Institute,
Memphis, Tennessee.

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July 31, 1942

Dear Frazer:

We have not overlooked your request for a report or document showing a breakdown of service - with regard to the architect's fee on war projects.

We do not find any report by the Committee on Contracts which seems to be relevant; but herewith are several documents which were developed in one way or another during Mr. Bergstrom's administration - which are self-explanatory and which may be of some help.

None of these documents were formally approved by The Institute Board, except the document entitled "Division of Responsibilities and Work" etc.

If none of this is helpful please let me know and I will write to Parker in further search.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, A.I.A.
404 Goodwyn Institute
Memphis, Tennessee

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September 27, 1943

Dear Fraser:

I was away from The Octagon on Saturday the 25th but your telegram of that date concerning no answer to your previous telegram with reference to Ray Ashton's visit was answered for me.

I got your first telegram in New York late on Wednesday evening the 22nd and put it in the box of R.J.A. at the Commodore about 8 A.M. on the morning of Thursday the 23rd.

When he called The Octagon on Friday the 24th he told me that he had received the telegram safely and presumably was responding direct to you. In any event I feel sure that he did get in touch with you and this is merely to let you know that we were not neglectful.

Sincerely yours,



Mr. J. Fraser Smith, A.I.A.
404 Goodwyn Institute
Memphis, Tennessee

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December 14, 1943

Dear Frazer:

This is the first moment to give you a report on Mr. West Livaudais.

According to the record here his corporate membership was terminated effective December 31, 1942 for non-payment of Institute dues.

At that time he owed dues for 1941 and 1942.

Please let me know if this is not the information you need.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, A.I.A.
404 Goodwyn Institute
Memphis, Tennessee

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ARCHITECTS
1946 FEB -4 PM 2:13
WASHINGTON, D. C.
SUITE 404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE
MEMPHIS, TENN.

2 February 1946

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

Dear Ed:

I have just received the preliminary notice of convention at Miami Beach on May 8, 9 and 10, and that hotel space would be announced later. I am wondering if you could do me a favor without embarrassment to you, or in any way violate your professional status. Could you in some way make sure that I have a reservation in the hotel where the convention will be held?

As you know, I like to get pretty active during convention and I intend to be more so this time. I have a lot of people up in my rooms from time to time and it would severely cramp my style if I have to be in a room in another hotel. Of course, the most convenient would be for you to make my reservation at the time you make those for the officers and directors, and the staff. If you can do this I want a large room. If you cannot make the reservation for me, could you wire me the minute the plans are complete as to the hotel that is selected for the convention site and then I can wire for my own accommodations.

With kindest regards to the staff, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. Frazer Smith
J. Frazer Smith, A.I.A. *NSW*

JFS/hfw

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Supplied

February 5, 1946

Dear Frazer:

Responding to yours of February 2:

I have just gotten back from a meeting in Miami Beach in connection with hotel arrangements there.

There will be five hotels all within a few blocks of the Municipal Auditorium in which The Institute Convention will be held.

No one hotel will be designated as headquarters, but The Board, which meets in advance of the Convention, will be at the Shelborne.

The rates there will be ^{7.00} \$7.00 single and ^{9.00} \$9.00 double.

Our arrangements with the five hotels were verbal and are to be confirmed with letters - so there will be no misunderstanding.

Information about procedure for making hotel reservations will appear in the March Bulletin.

If it is satisfactory with you, I will make a reservation for you, at the Shelborne, when the reservations are made for members of The Board. Meantime, please give me the time of your arrival.

Should you prefer to make the reservation direct, better wait until we have confirmed the tentative agreements with the various hotels - otherwise you might not get the reduced rate offered for the A.I.A. Convention.

With best regards and looking forward to seeing you again,
I am,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, A.I.A.
Suite 404 Goodwyn Institute
Memphis, Tennessee

Executive Secretary

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INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1946 FEB 14 AM 9:12

WASHINGTON, D. C.

J. FRAZER SMITH, INC.

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SUITE 404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE

MEMPHIS, TENN.

11 February 1946

Bozant

Mr. Edward C. Kemper,
Executive Secretary,
American Institute of Architects,
1741 New York Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Ed:

Received your letter of February 6 and hasten to answer and ask that you be so kind as to reserve a room for Mrs. Smith and myself at the Shelborne.

I don't know that I am going to like the auditorium type of convention. One held in the Hotel always seems to be so friendly and personal - maybe I am all wrong - but anyway, I'll have a good time.

I will arrive the day before the convention which will be, I presume, May 7th.

Sincerely yours,

J. Frazer Smith
J. Frazer Smith, A.I.A.

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J. FRAZER SMITH, INC.
A R C H I T E C T S

SUITE 404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE
MEMPHIS, TENN.

21 February 1946

THE AMERICAN
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1946 FEB 23 AM 9:52
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mr. Edward C. Kemper,
Executive Secretary,
American Institute of Architects,
1741 New York Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ed:

On 11 February I wrote you and asked that you be so kind as to reserve a room for Mrs. Smith and me at the Shelborne, and that I would arrive at Miami Beach on May 7th. It would be greatly appreciated if you would change this date to May 4th, as I have decided to leave a few days earlier.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

J. Frazer Smith
J. Frazer Smith, A.I.A. *hw*

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Made at S.
3-21-46

February 25, 1946

Dear Frazer:

Responding to yours of February 21 at hand
on the twenty-third:

We shall be sure to make a reservation for
you and Mrs. Smith at the Shelborne beginning
on the morning of May 4. done

We will make this reservation at the same
time that reservations are made for the Directors -
for The Board meeting beginning on May 3.

I am hoping that the Southern states will
have strong representation at this convention and
that you can find opportunity to use your influence
to that end as the occasion arises.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

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Mr. J. Frazer Smith, A.I.A.
Suite 404 Goodwyn Institute
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Smith

March 21, 1946

Dear Mr. Hillman:

With reference to meetings of the A.I.A., please reserve one of the best ocean front double rooms with bath for Mr. and Mrs. J. Frazer Smith, Suite 404 Goodwyn Institute, Memphis, Tennessee, for arrival at The Shelborne on the morning of May 4th.

Mr. Smith is receiving a copy of this letter as a request that he confirm direct with the Shelborne the date and hour of arrival.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

ECK:dd
cc to: Mr. Smith

Mr. W. Herbert Hillman, Resident Manager
The Shelborne Hotel
On-the-Ocean at Eighteenth
Miami Beach, Florida

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MEMPHIS, TENN.

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Smith*

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2 September 1946

Mr. Edward C. Kemper ✓
Mr. Henry Saylor
American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ed and Henry:

Please accept my sincere thanks for the hospitality shown me while in your offices on my recent trip to Washington. Especially did I enjoy the luncheon at the Roger Smith.

Especially do I want to remind you that I would appreciate you registering me for four (4) spaces on the Convention Cruise next summer and selecting me a space as close to the center of operations as possible.

Sincerely yours,

J. Frazer Smith
J. Frazer Smith

JFS/hfw

*the
Smiths*

J. FRAZER SMITH, INC. THE AMERICAN
ARCHITECTS INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

SUITE 404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE
MEMPHIS, TENN.

1947 JAN -2 PM 3:34

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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

Dear Ed:

Thank you for your letter of December 11 and all of the news it contained. I am today writing our good friend Harry Tour concerning the possibility of the A.I.A. Convention in the T.V.A. area.

I have wracked my brain and I cannot think of a man for the field secretary unless it would be Joe E. Smay of Oklahoma, whom I am sure you are familiar with and may have considered him for the position.

I have heard from Walter A. Taylor and am quite satisfied with his explanation of the intentions of Dr. Conover, Director of the Interdenominational Bureau of Architecture but I still disagree with quite a few statements the gentleman has made - more later.

Will you please send me a copy of the form for arbitration procedure according to A.I.A.?

✓ attached
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With best wishes to you for the New Year to you and the staff, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. Frazer
J. Frazer Smith

JFS/hfw

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Smith

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January 3, 1947

Dear Fraser:

Responding to your letter, on hand on January 2nd:

A decision about the convention city will be made by January 15th; so if there is any chance of an invitation from Tennessee, please give us at least an inkling as soon as possible.

The Field Secretary position will certainly be open until the regular meeting of The Executive Committee the latter part of February or early March.

It is proving most difficult to find really qualified candidates for this place.

A copy of the "Standard Form of Arbitration Procedure" is enclosed. More if you need them.

Shall not forget to send you an advance proof of the minutes of the December meeting of The Board in New Orleans.

Saarinen has accepted the Gold Medal and the award is no longer a secret.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,



Mr. J. Frazer Smith, A.I.A.
Suite 404 Goodwyn Institute
Memphis, Tennessee

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1741 New York Avenue, N. W.

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Inter-Office Communication

March 18, 1947

Dear Frazer:

Herewith is form notice from the Pantlind concerning your reservation, beginning on April 26.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, A.I.A.
404 Goodwyn Institute
Memphis, Tennessee

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COMMITTEE ON THE ARCHITECT AND GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

J. FRAZER SMITH, CHAIRMAN
404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE BLDG., MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

2 February 1948

Mr. Edmund R. Purves
American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue N.W.
Washington; D.C.

Dear Major:

I am writing to ask the usual convention favor of the Executive Director - or the facsimile thereof. Accordingly, will you kindly make the usual reservation at the same hotel with you folks and at a time which will permit me to attend the pre-convention Directors' Meeting or any other activities in which I should participate.

There will be four of us - my wife and 2 daughters - and we will probably go through the country. I will want a suite of 2 bedrooms and a living room, or a bedroom and living room in which the living room would have a disappearing bed - whichever accommodations are available and most economical.

Sincerely yours

J. Frazer Smith

JFS/hfw

Am sending a newspaper clipping which might be pertinent to the "Data of P.P. Relations"

J.S.

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~~Answered
April 1~~

February 6, 1948

Dear Fraser:

I have your letter of the 2nd which is being turned over to our reservations department. However, in addition to that we will give it the personal treatment, to be sure that if the hotel in Salt Lake City has the selection of accommodations which you would like, that you will be sure to have them.

I have put the newspaper clipping you sent in my brief case to read on the train to Philadelphia.

I am honored by your interest and also by the realization that I know now a real book reviewer.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Edmund R. Purves,
Acting Executive Director

Mr. J. Fraser Smith, Chairman
Committee on the Architect and
Governmental Relations, A.I.A.
404 Goodwyn Institute Building
Memphis, Tennessee

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Smith

March 2, 1948

Dear Ray:

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, Chairman of the Committee on the Architect and Governmental Relations, has asked us to make a reservation for him. We quote his letter in this respect.

"There will be four of us - my wife and 2 daughters - and we will probably go through the country. I will want a suite of 2 bedrooms and a living room, or a bedroom and living room in which the living room would have a disappearing bed - whichever accommodations are available and most economical."

We are scheduling Mr. Smith's appearance before The Board June 20 and are asking that you make his reservation for the evening of June 19. A copy of this letter is being sent to Mr. Smith.

Yours sincerely,

Edmund K. Purves,
Acting Executive Director

Mr. Raymond J. Ashton, Chairman
Committee on Convention Arrangements, A.I.A.
412 Beneficial Life Building
Salt Lake City 1, Utah

P:R:B

Copy to - Mr. Smith

KENNETH E. WISCHMEYER
CHARLES W. LORENZ
REGISTERED ARCHITECTS
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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE
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WISCHMEYER & LORENZ THE AMERICAN
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911 LOCUST STREET
SAINT LOUIS 1, MISSOURI

1947 OCT 31 AM 8:57

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 30, 1947

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

The Jury of Fellows
The Octagon, 1741 New York Avenue
Washington 6, D.C.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with my telegram of today I am enclosing herewith Nomination for Fellowship for J. Frazer Smith of Memphis, Tennessee. This nomination is made by individual members of the Institute as indicated on the enclosed form.

Exhibits in support of this nomination are being forwarded today by parcel post.

Very truly yours,

Kenneth E. Wischmeyer
Kenneth E. Wischmeyer



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
JURY OF FELLOWS

Received Oct. 31, 1947
Voted On March 24, 1948
Voted On 19 .
Voted On 19 .
Granted March 24, 1948

NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

CASE RECORD

1. *Name of Nominee* Joe Frazer Smith *Date of Nomination* April 30, 1947
2. *Address of Nominee* Suite 404 Goodwyn Institute Building, Memphis, Tenn.
3. *Nominee's firm* J. Frazer Smith, Inc., Architects
4. *Nominee's principal place of business* at above address.
5. *Nominee's Chapter* Tennessee Chapter
6. *Nominee's State Association Member*
7. *Nominee admitted to Institute* 1926 19 .
8. *Nominee has been in good standing in Institute from* 1926 to Dec. 31, 1947
9. *Nominee's age* 50 *Birthplace* Canton, Mississippi
10. *Nominators:*

Chas. F. Cellarius	Goldwin Goldsmith
James R. Edmunds, Jr.	George H. Bond
Alexander C. Robinson, III	Walter T. Rolfe
Matthew W. Del Gaudio	John L. Skinner
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Samuel E. Lunden	

11. *Achievement*

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

BY

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

THE JURY OF FELLOWS
The Octagon, 1741 New York Avenue,
Washington 6, D. C.

Date April 30, 1947 Use typewriter
except for signa-
tures.

We hereby nominate Joe Frazer Smith
member of The Tennessee Chapter,
for fellowship in The Institute for his notable contribution to the advancement of the profession by his
achievements in *design, *the science of construction, *literature, *education, *service to The Institute,
*public service.

Type in full name
of nominee.
Type in name of
Chapter.

*Strike out all
inappropriate
words.

Evidence of the qualifications of the nominee for the fellowship is appended.

**Members' Signatures

Chapter of Signer

<u>Chas. F. Cellarius</u>	<u>Cincinnati, O.</u>
<u>David C. ...</u>	<u>Baltimore</u>
<u>Walter C. Robinson III</u>	<u>Cleveland Ohio</u>
<u>Marvin Wolfson</u>	<u>New York</u>
<u>Joseph D. ...</u>	<u>Boston</u>
<u>Douglas W. ...</u>	<u>New Haven</u>
<u>Frazer ...</u>	<u>So Calif. Chapter</u>
<u>William ...</u>	<u>Ceresco Leg Co.</u>
<u>George H. Bond</u>	<u>Georgia Chapter</u>
<u>Wm J. ...</u>	<u>So Texas Chapter</u>
<u>Frank ...</u>	<u>So. Florida Chapter</u>
<u>Almagg C. Hughes</u>	<u>Detroit</u>
<u>Bernette ...</u>	<u>St. Louis</u>

**The signatures
of five fellows of
the nominee's
chapter or of state
association member
to which he
belongs; or of
any ten corporate
members will con-
stitute a nomi-
nation. If you
are a Fellow place
the initials
F.A.I.A. after
your name.

THE NOMINATORS SHOULD SEE THAT LETTERS OR DATA ARE SENT
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BIOGRAPHICAL STATISTICS

- 1. Nominee's full name **Joe Frazer Smith**
- 2. Nominee is a natural-~~naturalized~~ citizen of **United States of America**
- 3. Nominee's legal residence **Memphis, Shelby County, Tennessee**
- 4. Nominee's firm name **J. Frazer Smith, Inc., Architects**
- 5. Nominee's principal place of business, address **Suite 404 Goodwyn Institute Building, Memphis, Tennessee**

2. Strike out inappropriate word and write in name of Country.

6. Type in "N.C. A. R. B." or name of State Board, as case may be.

7. Strike out inappropriate words.

8. Type in date of birth and city and Country.

- 6. Nominee is registered or licensed to practice architecture by **Mississippi, Tennessee, and Arkansas Boards of Registration**
- 7. Nominee is engaged in practice of architecture as a practicing architect—~~teacher in architecture—teacher in science of construction—public official—retired.~~

8. Born **March 25, 1897** . Place of birth **Canton, Mississippi**

9. Nominee's schools, colleges and universities:

	Location	No. of Years	Year of Graduation	Degree
High School	Canton High School, Canton, Miss.	4	1915	
Private School				
College or University	Georgia School of Technology, Atlanta, Ga.,	4 yrs.,	1921,	B. S.
College or University				
Post Graduate at				
Scholarships held				

10. Other data concerning nominee's record.

Approximately two years research and travel in England, France and Italy.

10. Type in important experiences during employment or additional statistics of importance in nominee's record.

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Nominators should read "Principles Underlying the Bestowal of Fellowships", Institute Document No. 9, before completing this nomination. Additional sheets may be inserted to supplement any page, 3 to 7, inclusive. Use typewriting only.

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

1. Works

Type (a) Commercial (b) Monumental (c) Domestic (d) Special	Identification of Work	Location of Work (City)	Completed Construction Work (Year)	Photographs, Drawings, or Sketches Submitted
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See exhibits which accompany this nomination.

Under column headed "Type" type in (a), (b), (c), or (d), as the case may be.

Type in last column to right the number submitted in each case.

2. Describe nominee's notable work in design, to bring out the particular achievements the nominators believe have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession.

Even though an architect be worthy of advancement to Fellowship through other accomplishments and services, he should in the first place be an architect. The material submitted hereunder is submitted in that spirit and not within itself intended to be wholly adequate to warrant the honor of Fellowship.

His achievement has been at least an influence in the advancement of the profession in the South, inasmuch as it has raised the sights of contemporary architects, stimulated demand on the part of the public for better design and definitely advanced the art of planning in large scale housing.

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN SCIENCE OF CONSTRUCTION

1. CONSTRUCTION WORK

Type of Work Constructed	Identification of Work	Location of Work	Completed Construction Work (Year)	Photographs, Drawings, or Sketches Submitted
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Type in last column to right the number submitted in each case.

2. BOOKS, TREATISES, OR ARTICLES WRITTEN

Subject Title	Where Published	Date Published
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3. Describe nominee's notable work in the science of construction and any recognition thereof by other societies, to bring out the particular achievements the nominators believe have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession.

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NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN EDUCATION AND LITERATURE

1. EDUCATION WORK

(List the degrees and the educational positions held by the nominee, and bring out clearly the nominee's signal work and its particular force and influence which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession, and state evidences of recognition of such work by pupils, the profession, other societies, or the public.)

2. LITERARY WORK

(List the original written works of the nominee and state clearly the particular force and influence of that work which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession, and state evidences of recognition of such work by other societies, the profession, educational institutions or the public.)

Book, Treatise or Article	Subject	Name of Book or Periodical Containing Work	Year Work Published
Book	Southern Architecture	"WHITE PILLARS"	1941
Articles	Housing, etc.	Journal of The Institute	1946
Article	Architectural periodical	"THE TENNESSEE ARCHITECT"	1946-47
Research and pamphlets - Rural Housing, various governmental references, 1941.			

His interest in architectural education for the public started with the beginning of practice when the realization came that the (Southern) public was totally confused in architecture and the architect's place in society. On his trips to the continent in 1925 and 1926, he wrote a series of articles and sketches of European domestic architecture, which were published in the Sunday Section of the Memphis Commercial Appeal. After returning, at the suggestion of the Editor of The Commercial Appeal, C.P.J. Mooney, that the greatest good could be done

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(Achievement in Literature - continued)

by applying this same treatment to our own architectural heritage of the South, he began study and sketches accompanied by necessary research in architecture of the far South. After about 10 years of gathering this information he decided to publish it all in one volume, which resulted in the publication of the book "WHITE PILLARS" in 1941.

"WHITE PILLARS", written for public consumption, attempted to set the records straight on the architectural heritage of the deep South. Its further purpose was to definitely place the evolution of the practice of architecture. The book is now in its third printing and many individuals, as well as authors of popular novels and non-fiction, say that it is widely used by them as a "family Bible."

With the book "WHITE PILLARS" establishing a basis historic background of the architectural heritage of the South, he continued research study in contemporary rural and urban community life, including its social, economic, and spiritual trends, which would bring us down to date as to our architectural development. This has enabled the author to design with a far reaching and thorough understanding of the people he attempts to serve. One example of this continued research is the enclosed pamphlet "Housing Study of Coahoma County, Mississippi."

Literary work of particular service to the architectural profession, other than its public relation, is continued under the "Achievements in Service of the Institute."

NOTE Copies of WHITE PILLARS and THE TENNESSEE ARCHITECT may be had from the library of The Octagon.

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE

1. State fully the nominee's signal service to The Institute, his chapter, or his state organization, or to the profession, which the nominators believe has notably contributed to the advancement of the profession, and list the offices in architectural organizations occupied by the nominee and the period of each.

Nominee was admitted to membership in the A.I.A., Tennessee Chapter, in 1926. Served as vice-president and president three times of the Chapter. Has been on practically all of its committees and numerous times delegate to the national convention. Represented the Institute in the Historic American Buildings Survey in Tennessee. Conceived and operated the Memphis Small House Construction Bureau, which did so much for the architect-public relation in the State, resulting in the existing ideal conditions of professional practice in Tennessee today.

Service to the Institute has been long and varied. Gulf States Regional Director in 1939 to 1941. Chairman Resolutions Committee and Recorder in conventions. Many committee posts, including the present Architect-Governmental Relation, Unification and Historic Buildings.

Editor of the Chapter Journal, THE TENNESSEE ARCHITECT, with which most architects are familiar; was begun in 1946. Through its pages he has labored diligently to promote a better understanding between the Institute and its Chapters and to bring the Tennessee architect's thinking up to the National level.

For many years hardly a necessary or important problem involving the Institute's affairs in the deep South has occurred but that someone hasn't found it advisable to call on this man for assistance. Always he has been ready and willing to serve and with eagerness and dispatch. We do not think it necessary to name these numerous instances, since almost any architect who has been active in his profession's affairs for the last decade is familiar with his activities.

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THE TENNESSEE CHAPTER
901 James Bldg.
Chattanooga, Tenn.

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Frazer Smith
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February 12, 1948

Mr. Edmund R. Purves, Acting Secretary
to The Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.
1741 New York Avenue, n.w.
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Purves:

I am happy to report as Secretary of the Tennessee Chapter A.I.A. that both,

Mr. Walk Claridge Jones and
Mr. Joe Frazer Smith

are in good standing with the Tennessee Chapter and their dues are paid up through Dec. 31, 1948.

I have some additional information that may or may not be of use to the Jury of Fellows I will report as follows:-

Mr. Jones has been a member since 1915,
Was President of the Tenn. Chapter in 1921, 22, 23
and '24.
Was Vice Pres. of the Tenn. Chapter, 1924-'25.
Was a delegate to the National Convention 1921-'22.

Mr. Frazer Smith has been a member since 1926. He
was president of the Tennessee Chapter in 1933, '34,
'35 & '36.
Was Vice President in 1936-'37.
Was Sec.-Treas. in 1931-'32.
He was Regional Director in 1939, '40 & '41.
Was a delegate to the National Convention in 1934
and 1935.

As you will recall he has attended most National Conventions since and his good Southern Hospitality is always welcome when he and his charming wife serve refreshments to delegates second to none.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Wm. A. Martin

Wm. A. Martin, Sec. Treas.
Tenn. Chapter A.I.A.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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April 15, 1948

Dear Mr. Smith:

The American Institute of Architects desires to confer upon you the honor of Fellowship, in accord with the action of The Jury of Fellows at its recent meeting.

The purpose of this letter is to request your presence at the 1948 Convention of The Institute to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, on June 22-25, in the Utah Hotel.

At the formal dinner of the Convention on the evening of Thursday, June 24, those who have been elected to Fellowship will receive their certificates, with citations. Presentation will be with appropriate ceremony and it is highly important that each of the newly-elected Fellows be present. The Officers of The Institute and The Jury of Fellows join in the request that you come to receive this honor in person.

Please send your response to The Octagon at an early convenient date.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Director

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, F.A.I.A.
404 Goodwyn Institute Building
Memphis, Tennessee 3

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P. S. - Your Chapter has been notified and has been requested to make no public announcement until after the Convention at the end of June.

COPY TO

FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

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J. FRAZER SMITH, INC.
A R C H I T E C T S
165 MADISON AVENUE
MEMPHIS, TENN.
20 April 1948

THE AMERICAN
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J. Frazer Smith

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

Dear Mr. Kemper:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of
15 April advising that the American Institute of Architects
desires to confer upon this little individual the honor of
Fellowship. I accept.

J. Frazer Smith
Sincerely yours,

J. Frazer Smith

JFS/hfw

Smith, Joe F.

Joe Frazer Smith, of Memphis, Tennessee, was cited "for his contribution to the profession through devoted, unselfish, and intelligent service. As a representative of The Institute, his solutions of problems of professional and public relations have brought honor to himself and distinction to the profession as a whole."

Mr. Smith has been President of the Tennessee Chapter, A.I.A., Gulf States Regional Director and a member of many national architectural committees. He is editor of "The Tennessee Architect". His volume, "White Pillars," attempted to set the records straight on the architectural heritage of the deep South and to describe the evolution of the practice of architecture.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Smith

April 30, 1948

Dear Mr. Smith:

We have sent to you, under separate cover by express prepaid, the exhibits which accompanied your nomination for advancement to fellowship in The Institute.

We hope they will be received in good condition.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, F.A.I.A.
404 Goodwyn Institute Building
Memphis, Tennessee

K/g

J. FRAZER SMITH, INC.
A R C H I T E C T S

SUITE 404 GOODWYN INSTITUTE
M E M P H I S, T E N N.

17 January 1949

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

Dear Major:

I am recuperating from an operation which has kept me out of the office since the Christmas Holidays and this is the first time I have had to keep up with my correspondence.

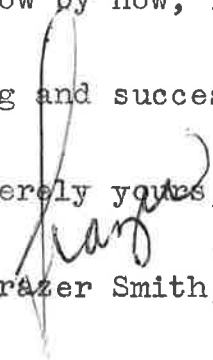
This is, then, in effect, a New Year Greetings, a congratulation on your elevation to the Executive Directorship of the A.I.A. and a pledge of 100% cooperation for a long, successful administration.

I believe that you have the full admiration and good wishes of all the architects of the South, certainly I have heard numbers of them express themselves so.

Please feel free to call on me for any chore connected with The Institute, which, you must know by now, is always first on my agenda.

With best good wishes for a long and successful career,
I am,

Sincerely yours,


J. Frazer Smith, F.A.I.A. X

JFS/hfw

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Smith

January 26, 1949

Dear Frazer:

Your letter of the 17th has just arrived.

I am distressed to hear of your illness and trust that you are now entirely recovered.

Thank you ever so much for your words of congratulations and support.

Looking forward to seeing you in Houston and with very best wishes to you for this and coming years,

Yours sincerely,

Executive Director

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, F.A.I.A.
404 Goodwyn Institute
Memphis, Tennessee

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Smith

January 27, 1949

Dear Fraser:

In response to your letter of January 19, we are today writing to Mr. R. Bruce Carter, Manager of the Rice Hotel in Houston, asking him to reserve a bedroom and parlor suite in your name for the coming Institute Convention.

We have asked that the reservation be recorded as beginning on March 14 and extending through March 18, and trust that this will meet with your approval.

In any event, please write a letter of confirmation to Mr. Carter.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Executive Director

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, F.A.I.A.
404 Goodwyn Institute
Memphis, Tennessee

P:msd

cc: Mr. Rankin

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January 27, 1949

Dear Mr. Sarter:

We have received a request from Mr. J. Frazer Smith, F.A.I.A., and Chairman of The Institute's Committee on the Architect and Governmental Relations, 404 Goodwyn Institute, Memphis, Tennessee, for a bedroom and parlor suite in connection with the coming Institute Convention at the Rice Hotel.

Will you please make such a reservation for Mr. and Mrs. Smith, and their two daughters, for arrival on March 14 and continuing through March 18.

If possible Mr. Smith would prefer a disappearing bed in the parlor.

However, this reservation is not to be made from the block of rooms which you have reserved for us.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Director

Mr. R. Bruce Carter, Manager
The Rice Hotel
Houston, Texas

F:msd
cc: Mr. Rankin

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PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

TREASURER

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Smith

August 24, 1950

Dear Frazer:

(See 6-6)

I have been away on a short vacation and this is the first time I have had a chance to acknowledge your letter of August 8th.

The A.I.A. certainly does want to have the architect's name to be published in connection with any illustrations of his work appearing in the public press or elsewhere. In some cities where excellent relations have been established between the local chapters and the press this is done as a matter of course. I think you will find that the Detroit and New York newspapers, especially the New York Times, always gives the architect due credit. In some places the relations between the profession and the press are not too good and I regret to say that we have found upon investigation that the fault lies more with the profession than with the press.

If the chapters would cultivate the editors and reporters of the local newspapers, I think they would find that the recognition would be almost automatic.

Of course, if you are able to copyright the photographs or drawings which the press uses, then the papers are legally required to publish your name. It is a very simple matter to copyright the documents, and I think the charge is still \$1.00 each. There is, however, no preventing a newspaper photographer from taking a picture of your building and using that one instead of the one you send to him.

In the special case which you cite, I suggest that possibly a letter to the editor, to be published in his paper, would be in order.

With my best to you,

Sincerely yours,

Executive Director

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, F.A.I.A.
161 Madison Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee

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cc - Mrs. Walker

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Smith

April 3, 1951

Dear Frazer:

I have yours of March 29th.

When I see you in Chicago we can arrange the appropriate time for you to address the Convention on behalf of the Foundation. I do not believe you want any specific mention of this in the printed program but simply to work it in as you did last year.

The delay in informing Sue Cheek, to whom incidentally my good wishes, is due to the new rule requiring the publication of the names of all applicants for membership. Her application has been passed and approved and election is set for May 15th provided no objections are filed, and I have no reason to think there will be any.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Convention, with special emphasis on the ladies.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

Edmund R. Purves
Executive Director, A.I.A.

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, President
American Architectural Foundation, Inc.
165 Madison Avenue
Memphis 3, Tennessee

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November 2, 1951

Dear Fraser:

It was certainly good to have seen you after all these months. I thoroughly enjoyed the occasion in Memphis and the chance to participate in the Conference. That is a marvelous and enthusiastic lot of architects you have in your part of the world, and I think they could well be emulated in the other regions.

With my very best to the ladies of the family and to you.

Yours sincerely,

Edmund R. Purves
Executive Director

Mr. J. Frazer Smith, F.A.I.A.
165 Madison Avenue
Memphis 3, Tennessee

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Smith

TELEGRAM
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WASHINGTON D C
DECEMBER 19, 1951

MR FRAZER SMITH
165 MADISON AVE
MEMPHIS TENNESSEE

HAVE MADE TENTATIVE LUNCHEON ENGAGEMENT WITH CARL FEISS
12:30 DECEMBER 27. PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF OK AND WILL ARRANGE
DETAILS.

EDMUND R PURVES

CC: Mrs. Miller

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J FRZER SMITH DIED SUDDENLY SEVEN ORLOCK SATURDAY

MORNING SERVICES TEN OCLOCK MONDAY MORNING=

HARRIET WILHITE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT=

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

Members
Smith, J. Frazer.

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April 18, 1957

Mrs. J. Frazer Smith
207 Towers Building
1503 Union Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Ada:

It was a terrible shock to get the telegram last Sunday. The news was completely unexpected by me. I had not seen either of you for some years, much to my dismay and was looking forward to your coming to Washington in May.

I had the privilege of serving on The Board with Frazer and a fine friendship was thus initiated. It was a friendship which maintained itself happily throughout all the rigors of A.I.A. life. He contributed much to this organization, to its success and to the welfare of his fellow practitioners. He will be sorely missed.

With my deepest sympathy in which Carroll joins me,

Yours sincerely,

Edmund R. Purves

ERP:hrs

*Members
Smith, J. Frazier.*



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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

April 16, 1957

To: The Secretary of the **Memphis**
The American Institute of Architects

Chapter

Dear: **Mr. Ellis:**

We were very sorry to learn of the death of **J. FRAZIER SMITH, FAIA**, on April 13 a corporate member of The Institute since 1926 .

We would appreciate it very much if you would have two copies of the enclosed Baldwin Memorial Archive forms filled in and returned to The Institute for its files. The third copy is for your files.

Sincerely yours,

Edmund R. Purves
Executive Director

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cc: Treasurer's Office
5/56

GEP Smith,
Joe F.

J. FRAZER SMITH & ASSOCIATES, ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS

165 MADISON AVENUE • MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

J. FRAZER SMITH, F.A.I.A.
ZENO L. YEATES, A.I.A.
SUE SMITH HUGHES, A.I.A.
WILLIAM B. BEKEMEYER
S. L. BURNS, JR.,
Chief Engineer
ROBERT F. ELLIOTT,
Landscape Architect

17 June 1957

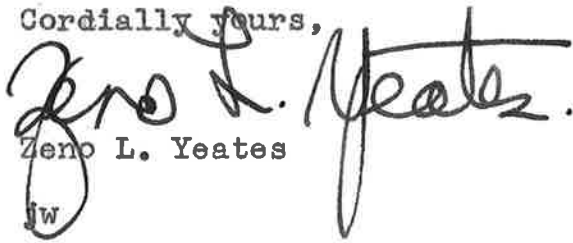
Smith, J. Frazer

Mr. Edmund R. Purves
Executive Director
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Purves:

We are enclosing herewith two copies of the Baldwin Memorial Archive forms for J. Frazer Smith, and by copy of this letter another copy is being mailed to the secretary of the Memphis chapter.

Cordially yours,


Zeno L. Yeates
JW

Enclosures 2

cc--Mr. Charles Ellis

NO. _____

BALDWIN MEMORIAL ARCHIVE
of American Architects

Name: **J. Frazer Smith** of (address) **1635 Peabody Ave., Memphis, Tenn.**

Born: **March 25, 1897** at **Canton, Miss** Died: **April 13, 1957** at **Little Rock, Ark.**

Parents: **Dr. Charles Foster Smith** and **Susan Cheek Smith**

Married: **Ada McDonnell** of **Jackson, Miss.** on **June 20, 1922**

Children: **Sue Cheek Smith Hughes (Mrs. B. D. Hughes, Jr.)**
Margaret Ada Smith

Education:

B.S. in Architecture, Georgia Institute of Technology 1921

A year of travel and study in Europe in 1925

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

J. Frazer Smith, Architect, Goodwyn Institute Bldg., Memphis, Tenn. 1921-24

Smith & Burnham, Architects, " " " " 1924-29

J. Frazer Smith, Inc. " " " " 1929-1956

J. Frazer Smith & Associates, Architects & Engineers, Inc., Memphis, Tenn.
1503 Union Avenue, 1956 -

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

Fellow, American Institute of Architects

Regional Director, A.I.A. (past)

First president of American Architectural Foundation

Twice President Tennessee Chapter, A.I.A.

Served on numerous national and local committees of A.I.A.

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

University Club of Memphis

Kappa Sigma Fraternity

Fort Walton (Florida) Yacht Club

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

U. S. Navy during World War I

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

"WHITE PILLARS", a book on early life and architecture of the lower Miss.
valley country (Wm. Helburn, Inc. 1941)

Articles and sketches of famous houses in Europe in the Memphis Commercial
Appeal, 1925

Editor, "THE TENNESSEE ARCHITECT", monthly publication of AIA Chapters
in Tennessee

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

Architecture was his chief interest and he devoted much time to professional activities and the A.I.A.

His hobbies were fishing and boating, and he made many trips to the White and Buffalo Rivers in Arkansas and to the rivers of north Florida, where he maintained a residence.

He loved music and could play several instruments.

He had a keen sense of humor and was very generous, thoughtful, a wonderful husband and father.

He had a wide variety of friends all over the country including AIA officers and members, contractors, building material representatives, fishing guides and a host of family friends

He considered his highest award his elevation to a Fellowship in the AIA.

Principal Commissions:

in Memphis - Le Bonheur Children's Hospital; Lauderdale Courts, Dixie Homes, Wm. H. Foote Homes, Federal Low Rent Housing Projects; Jackson-Madison County General Hospital, Jackson, Tenn.; Obion County General Hospital, Union City, Tenn.; Henry County General Hospital, Paris, Tenn.; Federal Low Rent Housing Projects in Jackson and Paris, Tennessee; Officers' Beach Club, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida; numerous buildings for campus of Western State Hospital, Bolivar, Tenn. (a state mental institution). Le Bonheur Children's Hospital received national recognition when chosen "The Modern Hospital of the Year 1952".

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

Compiled by:

Date: 10 June 1957

Acknowledgements:

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APR 15 1957

J. Frazer Smith, 9 Noted Architect, Dies at Little Rock

J. Frazer Smith, aged 60, of Memphis, an architect who designed many of the South's well-known buildings, died Saturday at a Little Rock hospital after he suffered a stroke in his hotel room at Little Rock.

At Little Rock, his works include Rivercliff Apartments, the development of Cammack Village and Riverside Subdivision.

In 1952, Mr. Smith won the Modern Hospital of the Year Award for the design of LeBonheur Children's Hospital at Memphis.

He was architect for many Memphis and Southern homes, Western State Hospital at Bolivar, Tenn. and other Tennessee hospitals.

Mr. Smith was a native of Canton, Miss. He was a graduate of the Georgia Institute of Technology. He spent a year in Europe traveling and studying architecture before opening an office at Memphis in 1921.

He wrote a book, "White Pillars," dealing with Southern antebellum architecture.

Mr. Smith was a fellow of the American Institute of Architects, a past president of the Tennessee Chapter of the American Institute of Architects and the first president of the American Architectural Foundation.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ada McDonnell Smith; two daughters, Mrs. B. D. Hughes Jr. and Miss Margaret Smith, both of Memphis; two brothers, Dr. Robert W. Smith of Canton and Charles Foster Smith of Memphis; a sister, Mrs. T. H. Riddell of Canton, and two grandchildren.

Funeral will be at 10 a. m. Monday at Memphis National Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

MEMPHIS ARCHITECT IS DEAD OF STROKE

(Continued from Page One)

Schools, numerous Memphis and Mid-South homes, and at Little Rock, Cammack Village, Rivercliff Apartments and Riverside Subdivision.

Early in his career, his chief work was in Southern architecture and as a result of that work he wrote the widely known book, "White Pillars," dealing with antebellum architecture.

In 1951 he became interested in the north Florida coast, and in 1951 he and Mrs. Smith built a home at Shalimar, Fla., where they spent part of every month.

In Florida he was the architect for the Okaloosa County Island Authority at Fort Walton Beach and designed the Officers' Beach Club for Eglin Air Force Base at Fort Walton Beach. He was an expert fisherman.

He was a past president of the Tennessee chapter of the American Institute of Architects and a member of the more recently formed Memphis chapter. He was a fellow of the American Institute and the first president of American Architectural Foundation. He belonged to the University Club and was a parishoner at Immaculate Conception Church.

In 1952 he was the winner of the Modern Hospital of the Year award for his design of LeBonheur.

Mr. Smith leaves his wife; two



J. Frazer Smith

daughters, Mrs. B. D. Hughes Jr. and Miss Margaret Smith, both of Memphis; a sister, Mrs. T. H. Riddell of Canton; two brothers, Dr. Robert W. Smith of Canton and Charles Foster Smith of Memphis, and two grandchildren.

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Stroke In Little Rock Fatal To Designer Of Many Memphis Buildings

J. Frazer Smith of 1635 Peabody, one of the South's most distinguished architects, died of a stroke about 7:30 yesterday morning at St. Vincent's Hospital in Little Rock. He was 60.

Mr. Smith had gone to Little Rock Friday afternoon on business. He was found in his hotel room about 6 a.m. yesterday and taken to the hospital.

Mass will be at 10 tomorrow morning at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Burial will be at Calvary, with National Funeral Home in charge.

Born At Canton

Mr. Smith, who pioneered in public housing architecture in Memphis and the South, was born at Canton, Miss. He was the son of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Foster Smith of Canton, attended high school there and was graduated in architecture from Georgia Institute of Technology.

He married Miss Ada McDonnell of Jackson, Miss., and they spent a year traveling in Europe studying architecture, particularly at Fontainebleau, France.

Mr. Smith established his offices in Memphis in 1921 and rapidly rose to a place of prominence in the architectural field.

Architect For Hospital

He was architect for LeBonheur Children's Hospital, Lauderdale Courts, Dixie Homes, William H. Foote Homes, Fire Station No. 2, Western State Hospital at Bolivar, Jackson-Madison County Hospital, the Obion and Henry County Hospitals, Sherwood and Kansas Street

(Continued on Page 5, Col. 1)

Smith, J. F.

*Member
Smith J. Frazer*

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FILE COPY - PLEASE RETURN

July 5, 1957

Mrs. J. Frazer Smith
165 Madison Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Smith:

At its recent meeting, The Board of Directors of The Institute directed that I write to extend to you the sincere sympathy of The Board in the death of your husband. All of us knew and admired him and we are well aware of his splendid contributions to the welfare and advancement of The American Institute of Architects and the profession.

The Institute has lost a valuable member but we are all cognizant of the great loss to you and your family.

Please accept the sincere sympathy of The Board of Directors, and if there is ever anything we can do for you, we shall be only too glad to have you let us know.

Cordially yours,

Edward L. Wilson, F.A. I.A.
Secretary

ELW:MSD
cc: Mr. Purves
Mr. Chatelain

Members
Smith & Trayer
file

Your kind expression of sympathy

is deeply appreciated

and gratefully acknowledged

The family of
J. Trayer Smith

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July 11, 57

Members
Smith, Trayer

The Board of Directors of
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Ave. N. W.
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sirs,

Your kind expression
of sympathy meant so much to
me. Trayer loved to work
for the Institute and admired
you so much for the great
work you are doing.

The sympathy of friends
means so much to some when
they have lost the one nearest
to them. Sincerely
Ada Smith