

Eckel, Edmond J

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# The American Institute of Architects

The Octagon, Washington, D. C.



## Findings of the Judiciary Committee

*Transmitted herewith to Members as required by the Judiciary Rules of the Institute.*

### NOTICE.

January, 1918.

*To the Members of the American Institute of Architects:*

The "Rules for the Guidance of the Committee on Practice and the Judiciary Committee of the Board of Directors" require "that all findings of the Judiciary Committee, whether in favor of or against the member involved, with the action taken by the Board of Directors, shall be reported to each member of the Institute."

At the September, 1917, meeting of the Board of Directors of the Institute, the Judiciary Committee reported that it had examined charges of unprofessional conduct against the Institute members named herein, and that its findings were as stated below. These findings (in small type) and the action of the Board of Directors thereon are hereby transmitted in accordance with the Rules above mentioned:

#### *Unauthorized Competition for Tuberculosis Hospital in Jasper County, Mo.*

Mr. Edmond I. Eckel, unassigned, was charged with participation in an unauthorized competition for the Tuberculosis Hospital in Jasper County, Missouri. The Committee on Practice found a prima facie case and the decision of the Judiciary Committee is that Mr. Eckel is guilty as charged.

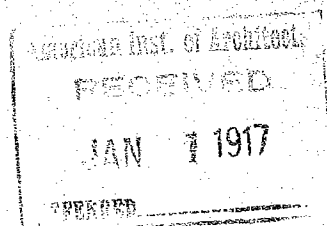
However, the Committee takes occasion to point out that Mr. Eckel's partners, who were not at that time Chapter or Institute members, entered into the competition while he was absent in California. Mr. Eckel knew nothing about the competition. He has a long and apparently honorable record. The partners assume full responsibility for the transaction and state in writing that they were never shown the so-called program, and were unaware that there was a competition.

Before taking action the Secretary submitted a letter of August 21, 1917, from Mr. Edmond J. Eckel, requesting that the Board of Directors reconsider the decision of the Judiciary Committee which had found him guilty of unprofessional conduct. Mr. Eckel did not go into details, but called attention to the evidence submitted to the disciplinary Committee.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was resolved that Mr. Eckel be suspended from Institute membership for a period of six months; and that a statement of the facts in the case shall accompany this decision when it is transmitted to the membership.

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WILL S. ALDRICH

ECKEL AND ALDRICH  
ARCHITECTS  
CORBY FORSEE BUILDING ST. JOSEPH MO



Dec. 29, 1917.

to the Board of Directors, A.I.A.,

Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:-

The By-laws provide in Article IV. Section 1 that a member of the A.I.A. in good standing for ten years, upon attaining the age of 70, shall on his application, be exempted from the payment of dues and shall retain all the privileges of the Institute.

I have been a member of the A.I.A. in good standing since 1889 and I am now in my 73rd year. I therefore apply to the Board of Directors to be exempted from the payment of the annual dues.

Respectfully yours,

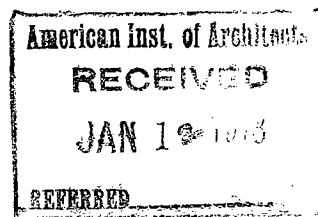
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Jan. 9, 1918.

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



Dear Sir:-

In kindly acknowledging the receipt of my letter of Dec. 29th, 1917, you state "making application for retirement". Such is not my intention, as I intend to remain in active practice and wish only to be exempted from the payment of dues according to the second paragraph of Article 4, Section 1 of the By-Laws of the A. I. A.

Thanking you for your courtesy, I remain,

Very truly yours,

*E. J. Eckel*

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March 8, 1918.

My dear Mr. Eckel:-

At the January meeting of the Board of Directors consideration was given to the matter of your retirement and on motion duly made and seconded it was resolved that you be placed on the retired list of the Institute effective January first, 1918.

Under this action you remain an Institute member in good standing, but are exempted from the payment of dues.

By direction of the Secretary.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Edmond J. Eckel,  
Corby-Forssee Building,  
St. Joseph, Missouri.

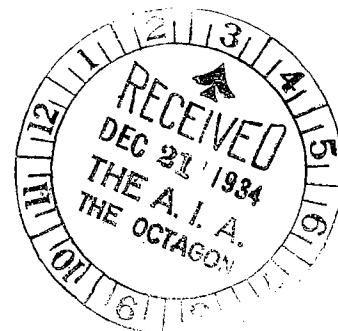
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## ECKEL AND ALDRICH ARCHITECTS

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CORBY BUILDING

ST. JOSEPH, MO.



### EDMOND J. ECKEL.

Monuments to the memory of Edmond J. Eckel, one distinguished citizen of the community who passed away yesterday afternoon, stand on almost every corner in St. Joseph. They are sturdy, permanent buildings, monuments to one who designed them and wrought into them the beauty and the stability that marked his own life. Designated as dean of American architects, an honor conferred upon the deceased by the American Institute of Architects a few years ago, Mr. Eckel was for over six decades an outstanding figure in St. Joseph.

Mr. Eckel lived, above all things, a satisfying life. He saw the fruits of his architectural genius built into churches, hospitals, business blocks, factories and homes in his home city and in other cities throughout the country. But even more enduring than the structures of brick and mortar, of stone and steel which he created were the ideals of art, of honesty and of permanence which motivated his professional career. His charm, his neighborliness and his devotion to his city and his friends were personal attributes of a rare character. Perhaps no warmer tribute could be paid than to say that he was a gentleman of the old school.

St. Joseph is a more beautiful city and a better community because of the professional career and the personality of Edmond J. Eckel.

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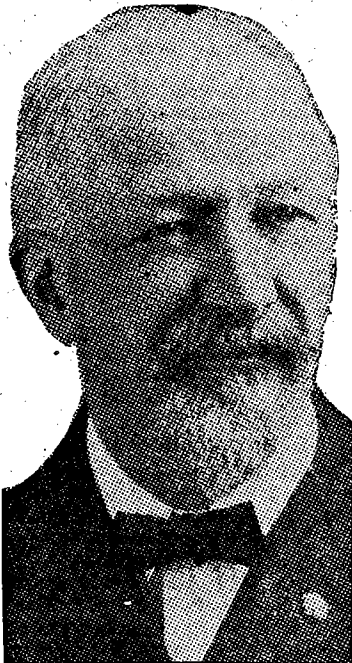
Dean of American Architects Had Been Resident of St. Joseph 65 Years.

## END COMES AT FAMILY HOME THIS AFTERNOON

Was Native of Strasbourg, Alsace—Designed Many Public Buildings.

Edmond J. Eckel, an architect in St. Joseph for sixty-five years, died at his home, 1324 North Twenty-fifth street, about 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. He was eighty-nine years old. He had been ill the last two months.

Mr. Eckel is survived by two sons, George R. Eckel of St. Joseph and Edmond G. Eckel of Los Ange-



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## The Weather Today and Tomorrow

THE FORECAST.

Wednesday, Dec. 12, 1934.

St. Joseph and Vicinity—Fair tonight and Thursday; slightly warmer tonight with lowest temperature about 30 degrees.

Missouri—Fair tonight and Thursday; slightly warmer tonight and in southeast portion Thursday.

Kansas—Fair tonight and Thursday; slightly warmer in southeast portion tonight.

Nebraska—Fair tonight and Thursday; no decided change in temperature. Iowa—Generally fair tonight and Thursday; slightly warmer in northeast and east-central portions tonight.

The government weather map



THE THERMOMETER.

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2 a. m.	24	10 a. m.	29
3 a. m.	24	11 a. m.	33
4 a. m.	23	12 noon	36
5 a. m.	23	1 p. m.	39
6 a. m.	23	2 p. m.	41
7 a. m.	23	3 p. m.	41

Humidity, 12 o'clock, 63.

TEMPERATURES AT ST. JOSEPH THIS DATE SINCE 1910.

Highest 61 in 1920, '21, '25 | Lowest... -8 in 1932

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY.

Highest... 32 | Lowest... 19

SUN AND MOON.

Sun rises tomorrow, 7:33; sets, 4:54. Moon sets tonight, 11:58.

RIVER STATE AT ST. JOSEPH.

This morning, 1.7, falling; light floating ice.

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## THIS LITTLE PIGGIE WENT TO THE DOGS IN REGAL GRANDEUR

Great Doings Last Night at Home of Mrs. Mary Lawless, 2321 South Fifteenth.

## FULL MAJESTY OF THE LAW IS IN EVIDENCE

After Night in Garage Master Pig Goes to the Pound and Gets Fine Treatment.

This little pig went to the dog pound. He ran away from home and was arrested last night.

That was after a ten-minute period of anxiety and some excitement at the home of Mrs. Mary Lawless at 2321 South Fifteenth street. Mrs. Lawless was awakened about 1:20 a. m.

"Tom!" she called to her sleeping son. "Mary!" she exclaimed, finally rousing her son and daughter. "Somebody's trying to get in the back door. Burglars," softly.

They listened. Bump, bump. They called the police. More bumps. Tom said he'd go see for himself.

And the Police Arrive.

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Patrolmen Roy Rose and John Shanklin arrived. There was a scuffle on the back porch. Then

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Who they were could only be conjectured, so complete was the mutilation.

A medical aid in the temporary morgue set up near the scene said, however, that he believed at least one of the bodies was that of a woman.

Senator's Key Ring Found.

Near another was found a key ring with the name of Senator John Leidlein, Saginaw, Mich. He already had been included in an official list of "known dead."

Until other evidence was found, possibly through examination by a dentist whose aid was enlisted, it was assumed that all five of the unrecognizable bodies were those of persons previously listed as dead.

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The body is at Heaton, BeGole  
& Bowman's mortuary. Funeral  
arrangements have not been made.

### Born in Strasbourg.

The early day custom of suspend-  
ing operations over Sunday, prac-  
ticed by the first railroads in the  
Middle West, was directly respon-  
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earning for this city the distinc-  
tion of being the home of the dean  
of American architects, an honor  
conferred upon Mr. Eckel by the  
American Institute of Architects  
just a few years ago.

Mr. Eckel was French by birth  
and blood and although he lived  
in America sixty-five years he re-  
tained a slight accent. He was  
born June 22, 1845, in the quaint  
old city of Strasbourg in Alsace,  
the son of Philipp Jacques and  
Louise Elizabeth Caroline Eckel.  
The family was one of the oldest  
of that community.

### Study of Architecture.

The study of architecture was  
begun quite early in the life of  
young Eckel for even while he was  
absorbing the studies at the Gym-  
nase Protestant he was also work-  
ing under the direction of the city

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## COLD WAVE HITS MIAMI.

Schools Closed as All-Time Low for  
Month Is Recorded.

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 12.—(P)—The  
Miami weather bureau reported an  
all-time December low here at 7:15  
a. m. today with a reading of 30.4  
degrees.

Richard W. Gray, federal meteor-  
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quiet. Tom went outside.

"We got him," announced Rose.  
"You did?" Tom breathed.

"Yea, come look at him," offered  
Shanklin.

"Him" was a little black pig.  
"Oh," exclaimed Tom. "My stars,"  
chorused Mrs. Lawless and Miss  
Mary. The policemen grinned.  
"What'll we do with him?"

"Why," suggested Tom, "we could  
put him in the garage until morn-  
ing."

### Then to the Pound.

There he remained until Mrs.  
Lawless telephoned Virgil Stout, the  
public impounder, this morning and  
Mr. Stout took piggy to the pound  
at Third and Michison streets.

Now, pigs are something of a  
rarity at the pound, but this one  
wasn't such a problem. He showed  
himself to be a very well-behaved  
pig, indeed, and was in everyone's  
good graces in no time. They  
dubbed him Adolph.

Mrs. John Meister, wife of the  
assistant impounder, decided Adolph  
couldn't have had any breakfast.  
But what to feed him? She had it!  
There was oatmeal left over from  
breakfast.

They put Adolph in No. 1 pen  
while Mrs. Meister rustled his oat-  
meal. He got some cream on it.

### Even a Napkin.

D. A. Stout, the impounder's son,  
procured a napkin. He fastened it  
about Adolph's ample neck. A bib.

"Oink," said Adolph, pleasantly.  
Not to be outdone, Meister got a  
spoon. He fed Adolph with it.

"Oink, oink," exclaimed Adolph  
in some surprise. But breakfast  
went off with a certain degree of  
success, due in some measure, of  
course, to Adolph's manners.

"Really," he's a very mannerly  
pig," boasted Mrs. Meister. "And I'm  
sure he'll be comfortable. We  
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The roster of "known dead" in  
Michigan's most horrible fire trag-  
edy included those whose bodies  
were taken from the icy waters of  
the Grand River, into which many  
terrified guests plunged; those who  
leaped to the street, dying of in-  
juries, and those definitely reported  
by relatives to have spent the night  
in the hotel and to be missing now.

Estimates of the number of  
bodies possibly still in the ruins,  
based upon the number unaccount-  
ed for, ranged from 8 to 70. A  
painstaking survey by state police  
accounted for 182 guests.

The hotel register was destroyed,  
and estimates of the number of  
guests quartered in the 200-room  
hostelry when the fire broke out  
early yesterday ranged from 190 to  
250. Authorities said the complete  
list of dead might never be known.

Steam and smoke curled up from  
a section of the pit in which it was

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## BREAK IN COLD WAVE.

Temperature Tonight Will Be but  
Little Below Freezing.

St. Joseph has the prospect of  
fair and warmer weather. The  
forecast reads: "Fair tonight and  
Thursday, slightly warmer tonight  
with lowest temperature about 30."

This morning's low temperature  
was 23, registered at 4, 5, 6 and 7  
o'clock. The mercury started a  
steady climb early in the forenoon,  
reaching the freezing mark consid-  
erably before the noon hour. It  
was expected that during the after-  
noon the rise would be extended to  
or beyond 40.

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teen he entered the Ecole des  
Beaux Arts at Paris for profession-  
al study and upon graduation came  
to the United States. His father  
had died at Strasbourg in 1852 and  
his mother survived until 1886 when  
death came in St. Joseph.

The year before graduation from  
the Paris school, Mr. Eckel's elder  
brother moved to the United States,  
pausing at Cleveland until the  
younger brother could join him  
there in 1869. Together they en-  
trained for Kansas City. Rail con-  
nections carried the two to Omaha  
where the transfer to the Kansas  
City line via St. Joseph was made.

### Here Over Sunday.

The train reached St. Joseph late  
Saturday, too late to complete the  
run to Kansas City on that work-  
ing day so passengers were com-  
pelled to remain here over Sunday.  
Mr. Eckel strolled about the town  
which, at that time, numbered its  
residents at 10,000, and decided that  
St. Joseph needed an architect.  
Kansas City's loss was St. Joseph's  
gain.

For years Mr. Eckel preserved  
the unused railroad ticket that  
would have carried him to Kansas  
City had the railroad system ig-  
nored the Sabbath.

### Designed Cathedral.

Mr. Eckel's first professional work  
done here was with P. E. Meagher  
when he assisted with the plans  
and designs for St. Joseph's Cath-  
edral and Corby Chapel north of the  
city, the latter being completed in  
1872. In that same year he became  
associated with the firm of Stigers  
& Boettner and later, as junior  
partner, designed Christ Episcopal  
Church. Planning of the residence  
at Eleventh and Charles streets,  
originally owned by the late Wil-  
liam M. Wyeth but for many years  
the home of Milton Tootle Jr., was  
another early accomplishment of  
Mr. Eckel.

In 1880 he established an archi-  
tect's office with George R. Mann  
and the present firm of Eckel &  
Aldrich, an outgrowth of that early  
association, has boasted of being  
probably the oldest architectural  
office in the country in which an  
original partner continued service.  
Mr. Eckel, until very recently, was  
the active head of this partnership  
which comprised his son, George  
R. Eckel, and Will S. Aldrich.

### Secret of Success.

"Le secret du succes est dans  
l'energie et la perseverance de la  
volante," wrote Mr. Eckel's father  
years and years ago at Strasbourg.  
In English the motto would be:  
"The secret of success is in the  
energy and the perseverance of the  
will" and the noted architect often  
repeated it when interviewed. To  
that formula he attributed his suc-  
cess.

For forty-five years Mr. Eckel  
retired for a nap after the noon

## LABOR SPOKESMAN URGES 5 PER CENT TAX ON PAY ROLLS

That Is Fair Way to Finance  
Unemployment Insurance,  
William Green Says.

## DIRECT LEVY ON WORKERS OPPOSED BY UNION HEAD

Congressional Supporters of  
30-Hour Week to Demand  
Early Action.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(P)—  
Union labor's legislative drive for  
1935 opened today with a proposal  
by William Green that unemploy-  
ment insurance be financed wholly  
by a 5 per cent tax on pay rolls.

Opposing any direct levy on work-  
ers, the president of the American  
Federation of Labor said they  
would pay most of the cost anyway.  
Employers add their cost to prices  
and employees buy 85 per cent of all  
goods, he said. If workers shared  
the direct cost of insurance, he ad-  
ded, they would be paying twice.

The labor chief made his propo-  
sals in a message to all A. F. of L.  
unions.

### Plan Drive in Congress.

Congressional supporters of an-  
other measure that has A. F. of L.  
backing—the thirty-hour week—pre-  
pared to pass it quickly in the next  
congress, though high officials in  
the Roosevelt administration have  
shown signs of opposition.

Chairman William P. Connery  
(Dem.), Massachusetts, of the house  
labor committee has reported to  
colleagues that sentiment for the  
measure as a means of reducing un-  
employment is growing. Backing  
Connery is Senator Black (Dem.),  
Alabama, co-author of the measure  
which was sidetracked in 1933.

Advocates, Connery said, are in-  
terested in giving "employers their  
just due, while at the same time  
giving to workers a fair share of  
the products of their labor in the  
form of decent living conditions."

Meantime agitation for some  
form of government protection  
against the vicissitudes of old age  
gained momentum within and out-  
side the administration today.

### Here Are Developments.

New indications that old age pen-  
sions would be debated by the next  
congress whether President Roose-  
velt recommends it or not, were  
seen. Among developments were these:

1. Representative Keller (Dem.),  
Illinois, mailed letters to the forty-  
eight governors asking suggestions  
for an old age pension law which  
he will propose.
2. President Roosevelt's com-  
mittee on economic security would

in which an account is set up sepa-  
rately for each industry or plant  
against which is charged only the  
cost of unemployment within that  
particular plant or industry. The  
Wisconsin plan has been adopted  
in several industries.

The Ohio system which is in ef-  
fect in many European countries,  
calls for a central pooled fund for  
the entire state, to which all em-  
ployers will contribute and from  
which all unemployed workers will  
draw benefits regardless of the  
plant or industry in which they  
are working.

More than forty state legislatures  
will convene this winter and next  
spring and unemployment insur-  
ance bills probably will be intro-  
duced in most of them, the secre-  
tary said.

## OFFICER GOT HIS MAN

Patrolman Abramowitz Keeps  
Vow After Friend's Death.

Dramatic Capture of Culprit  
Who Killed John Monahan  
Effected in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—(U.P.)—  
Policeman Harry Abramowitz  
swears his oaths in the name of  
Moses. Policeman John Patrick  
Monahan swore his in the name of  
St. Patrick.

They were friends as only men  
who know danger together can be  
friends. As partners charged with  
enforcement of law and order in a  
tough Brooklyn district, danger was  
one of the conditioning influences  
of their lives. Their friendship ex-  
tended from the professional, into  
the personal, and at times was  
emotional.

"Don't laugh," said Abramowitz,  
with a faint trace of Hebraic ac-  
cent. "But Monahan is like a brother  
to me. He is, in the name of  
Moses."

### Vow Taken at Coffin.

The night of Nov. 26, they found  
a suspicious character in a hallway.  
While being searched, the man  
jerked out a pistol and fired two  
shots into Monahan's abdomen.

Two days later, Monahan received  
an inspector's funeral. Abramowitz  
stopped at the coffin. He lifted his  
right hand, although such things  
usually are not done at funerals,  
and in a tear-strained but frightful  
voice exclaimed:

"I swear in the name of Moses,  
I'm not going to rest until I get  
the man who killed my brother."

Last night on Forty-second  
street near Eighth avenue, in the  
heart of the Broadway theatrical  
district, a man of grim face and  
steely eyes fought his way through  
the evening crowd of amusement  
seekers. Twenty feet away, sepa-  
rated by a crowd, another man,  
who had had one look at those eyes,  
was frantically trying to escape.

### Crowd Sees Arrest.

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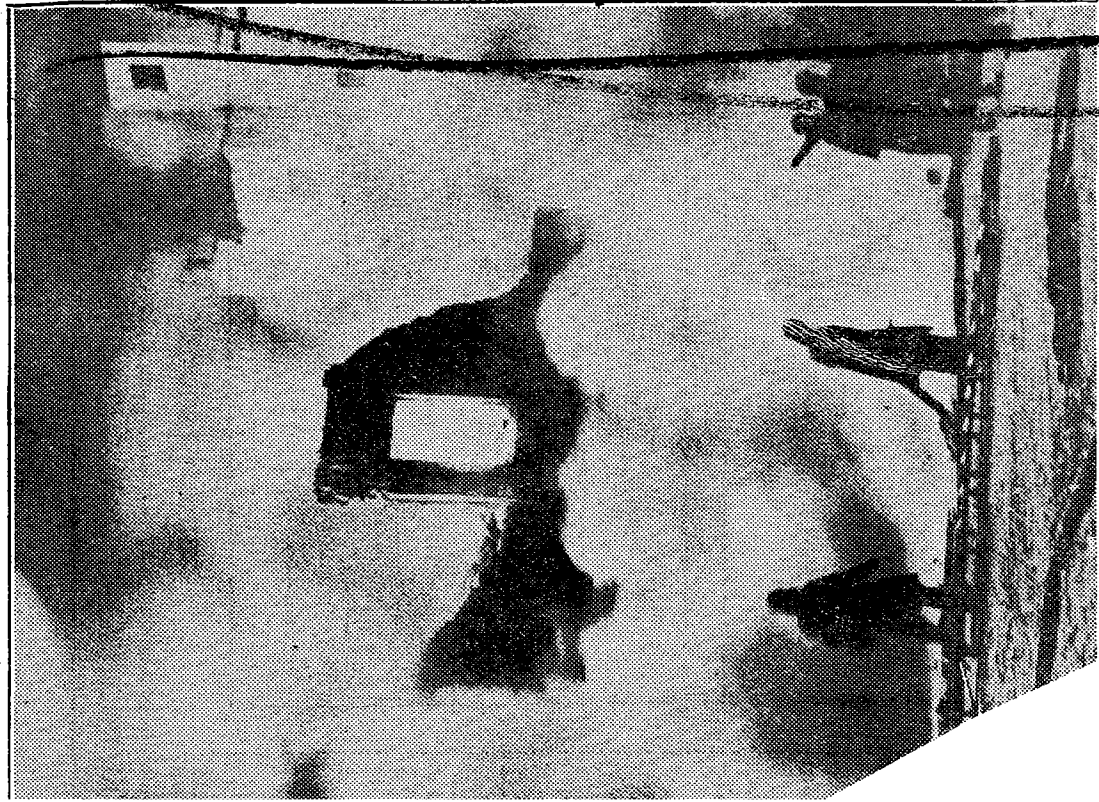
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fire which leveled the Kerns Hotel at Lansing, Mich., with a list may rise to fifty. This picture gives a striking view of hotel guests to jump from windows to the street and the

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the country where "some of Gurrell's Kansas City friends" would hold them up and kidnap his companion. The victim, he said, was to be transported to Kansas City in

# E. J. ECKEL, NOTED ARCHITECT, DEAD

**Funeral Services for Prominent St. Joseph Man Not Yet Arranged.**

E. J. Eckel, dean of American architects and a resident of St. Joseph sixty-five years, died yesterday afternoon at his home, 1324 North Twenty-fifth street, after an illness of two months. Mr. Eckel was eighty-nine years old.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed last night. The body is at the Heaton-BeGole & Bowman mortuary.

Mr. Eckel came to St. Joseph in 1865 after he completed his schooling in France. His first professional service in St. Joseph was with P. E. Meagher, when he assisted with the plans and designs for St. Joseph's Cathedral, and Corby chapel, north of the city, the latter completed in 1872.

## Designed Many Buildings.

The list of public and private residences designed by Mr. Eckel and his associates is a list of not only most of the outstanding structures in St. Joseph, but some of the finest architectural work in this part of the nation.

Among the St. Joseph buildings he designed are the old and new Central High School, new city hall, the Auditorium, Hotel Robidoux, Central Public Library, The News-Press-Gazette, Scottish Rite Cathedral and St. Joseph's Hospital. Numerous bank and church buildings here were designed by him. He also assisted in planning the stock yards, and numerous out-of-town projects.

**A Native of Alsace.**

Mr. Eckel was a native of France, a descendant of one of the oldest French families of Strasbourg, Alsace, where he was born June 22, 1845, son of Philipp Jacques and Louis Elizabeth Eckel. His father died in Strasbourg July 5, 1852, and his mother died in

sire, and could afford, the very best architecture.

For many years he and the firms which he headed were prominently recognized in the leading architectural magazines and periodicals. Mr. Eckel's work, pretty thoroughly covering the Mississippi and Missouri valleys, is a monument to the untiring fidelity of a man who sought to interpret and to formulate for a great section of a great country a desire that it could not itself express, and which could not have been worked out and achieved by men of less artistic and architectural sense and practicability.

As a citizen, Mr. Eckel always took an active interest in civic affairs. He was treasurer of the Scottish Rite bodies ever since their organization here about thirty-five years ago. He was Knights Commander of the Court of Honor.

## A Long City Career.

When John H. Cowles, sovereign grand commander of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Free Masonry, Southern jurisdiction, was in St. Joseph in November for the fifty-seventh reunion of St. Joseph Consistory No. 4 and co-ordinate bodies, he was anxious to renew his friendship of many years' standing with Mr. Eckel, but Mr. Eckel's illness prevented the meeting.

Although a charter member, Mr. Eckel was one of the first members of the Benton Club and of the first Chamber of Commerce. He was a member of the First Reformed Church.

Mr. Eckel was always known as a loyal citizen, a firm friend and an excellent neighbor. He was always active in the upbuilding of the city, and never shirked a duty imposed upon him when St. Joseph's best interests were at stake.

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Surviving are two sons, George R. Eckel, St. Joseph, and Edmond G. Eckel, Los Angeles; two daughters, Mrs. L. R. Forgrave, St. Joseph, and Mrs. David R. Agnew, Berkeley, Cal.; six grandchildren, including Mrs. R. A. Brown Jr., St. Joseph, and two great-grandchildren.

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"I told him I'd discussed extortion notes with Mr. Wilcox and that I knew he would pay off."

Met Wilcox Twice

"Actually, I've seen Mr. Wilcox only twice in my life and have never discussed extortion or anything else with him."

Gorrell, he said, fell in with the plan and he went to Kansas City Nov. 19 to get the note written. Gorrell was afraid of fingerprint evidence, Kennamer asserted, so he bought a pair of rubber gloves to protect Gorrell's fingers while he wrote the note.

Kennamer abruptly returned to Born death with the statement knew three men who could and would have had no reason why him. Sheriff Price was their

Lured to Death.

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hold them up and kidnap the companion. The victim was to be transported to Kansas City in an airplane, which was to be parked in a near-by pasture.

Landing on a field near Kansas City, the plane was to be met by Gorrell who would have a suburban hideaway arranged.

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Head of Firm.

Mr. Eckel was the executive head of Eckel & Aldrich, offices in the Corby building. Associated with him were his son, George R. Eckel, and Will S. Aldrich, both members of the American Institute of Architects, of which Mr. Eckel, senior, was a fellow.

This office, established in 1880 under the firm name of Eckel & Mann, is one of the oldest in the country and as far as known, is the only architectural office established for this length of time in which the original founder was actively engaged in his work.

Versatile as well as thorough, idealistic as well as practical, Mr. Eckel long was recognized as one of the most successful architects in the Middle West and one of the leading men in his profession in the entire nation. Some of the most prominent architects in the West mastered the profession under his tutelage.

Pioneers His Clients.

To create artistic ideals for a people of wide territory, where the crudest ideals formerly existed, was his good fortune and pleasure. Mr. Eckel's early clients were those sturdy pioneer merchants who were laying the foundations for the immense wholesale businesses of the West, while at the same time they were preparing the foundations for the magnificent buildings which now house their stocks.

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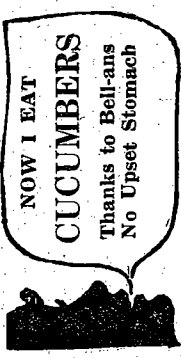
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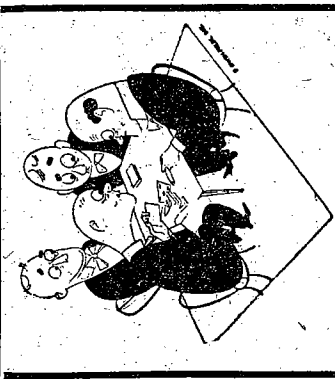
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