projects and buildings

McHugh and Hooker, Bradley P. Kidder, Associated, Architects
Santa Fe Opera Shed, Santa Fe. An ingenious movable roof has been designed to be added to the existing Santa Fe Opera Shed. The accompanying drawing shows the proposed movable roof in its open position.

Frank M. Standhardt and Associates
Mennecke Ranch, Inc., Roswell. A retirement home for the Synod of New Mexico United Presbyterian Church of the United States of America. The project will contain over fifty individual cottages, of which 12 will be constructed initially. In addition there will be apartments, nursing home, shopping center, a recreational structure and other buildings.

George R. Graves, Architect, Broad and Nelson, Architects (of Dallas)
Broadmore Building Hobbs. This 10 story building of which 5 stories are to be built at present, will be of reinforced concrete with the masonry being faced with brick, the spondrels of marble. Since the building is located in a shopping center the ground floor will be used for retail shops while the upper floors will be devoted to offices. Bids for this estimated $1,000,000 building will be let around February 1, 1960, and it is contemplated that it will be completed in January 1961.
Brittel, Giner and Associates,
Architects and Engineers
Citadel for the Salvation Army, Albuquerque.
This projected single story building will be
located in downtown Albuquerque, and will
serve both adult and youth needs. Space will
be provided for an assembly room which
will seat ca. 200 people, a game room for
young people's activities, kitchen, meeting
rooms and offices. Construction will be of
block with a bar-joist fire proof roof.

Wolmanwood, Millington and Associates Co.
Architects
Hermosa Jr. High School, Farmington. This
building will contain 12 class rooms, a library,
science rooms, home economics department,
music department, shop, and a combined
gym and cafeteria. The school will be ready
for occupancy in January 1960.

regional and community
planning

The most urgent problem confronting the
architectural profession today is that of plan-
ning on a national, regional and community
basis, and especially the role which the archi-
tect should be playing in these various rede-
velopment programs. With a few notable ex-
ceptions, architects as individuals or as mem-
bers of a professional organization have dis-
played a remarkable lack of interest in large
scale planning or when they have found them-
selves involved in programs of this type, they
have generally been outvoted or out-maneu-
vered by other interests, especially those of
the highway and traffic engineers. This lack of
controlled planning was the subject of a re-
cent characteristically searching article by
Lewis Mumford in the November 14th issue
of The New Yorker magazine. It was also the
subject of a four day fall meeting of the
Board of Directors of the American Institute
of Architects which was held in early Novem-
ber in Portland, Oregon. The AIA Board of
Directors at its Portland, Oregon, meeting,
issued the following statement:
The American Institute of Architects calls
upon its local chapters and individual mem-
ers to take the lead in improving our cities
by advancing a coordinated approach to
planning for community building and re-
building.
Our first priority in this coming decade
must be to make our communities more live-
able, efficient and beautiful. By 1975 our
total population will increase to around 225
million people, 70 percent of whom will live
in cities and suburbs. Unless the habitation
for this vast population expansion is properly
designed and built, our cities and suburbs
will continue to generate slums and traffic
congestion.

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