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THE TABULAR VIEW

PROFESSOR L. MAGRUDER PASSANO is of that choice and fortunate group, the Carrollites, the members of which have discovered solutions for most of life's insoluble problems clearly set forth in "Alice in Wonderland." It is typical, therefore, that he should begin a paper on such a perplexing subject as Time by referring to the illuminating discourse on that subject which took place at the Mad Tea Party. It was then, you will remember, that the Mad Hatter removed time from the neuter gender and definitely placed it in the masculine. But the subject of time, as Professor Passano remarks in his paper, is not one to be treated frivolously, and he demonstrates that any definition of it must satisfy both the mathematicians and the philosophers. ¶ By way of parenthesis, we raise the question as to what the Mad Hatter would think of Einstein's latest contention that space has become carnivorous, devouring matter, and that time is after all not so important, be it an *it* or a *he*.

CHARLES D. CHILDS is manager of the Print Department of Goodspeed's Book Shop and, therefore, pretty thoroughly acquainted with the amenities of print collecting as well as prints themselves. In response to a letter from The Review earnestly soliciting biographical information, he wrote: "Various articles of mine, mostly short, have been published in the *Print Connoisseur*, *American Forests* and *Forest Life*, *Boston Transcript*, and so on, and a monograph, 'Samuel Chamberlain [18]': Etcher and Lithographer' published by Goodspeed's Book Shop. As a hobby, I have amused myself with etching and drypoint and have published a few small plates quite recently. I was born in August, 1905, in Needham, Mass., and hope that no obituary notice will be posted for some time to come." It is particularly appropriate that Mr. Childs be introduced to Review readers because of the assistance and advice he has lent the Editors during the last several years in the selection of subjects for the covers of the magazine.

EARLE BUCKINGHAM, who presents the results of some of his research at the Institute, has had a varied career in the field of mechanical engineering, beginning at the United States Naval Academy in 1906. Since 1925, he has been Associate Professor of Engineering Standards and Measurements at the Institute. He is the author of "Principles of Interchangeable Manufacturing," 1921, and "Involute Spur Gears," 1922.

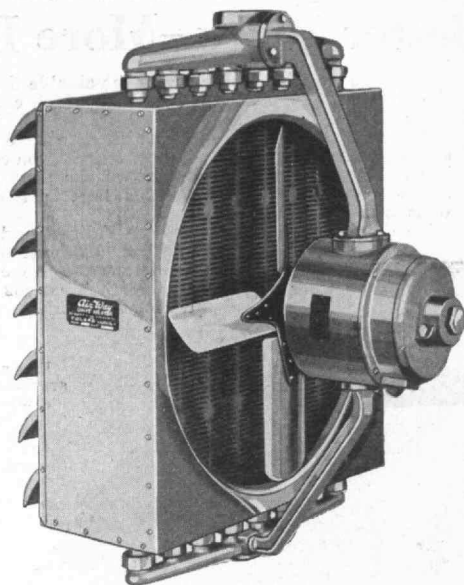
PROFESSOR ROBERT E. ROGERS needs no introduction anywhere in the world. Institute Alumni will be expecting his article on Page 441, for he has unfailingly lent a hand in reporting Alumni reunions and assemblies. ¶ HANS MÜLLER, who prepared the review on Page 444 is one of the Institute's young physicists. He was born in 1900 at Amriswil, Switzerland, and received a diploma in engineering from the Technische Hochschule of Zurich in 1923, and the degree of D. Sc. in 1928. At the present time he is Assistant Professor in the Department of Physics.

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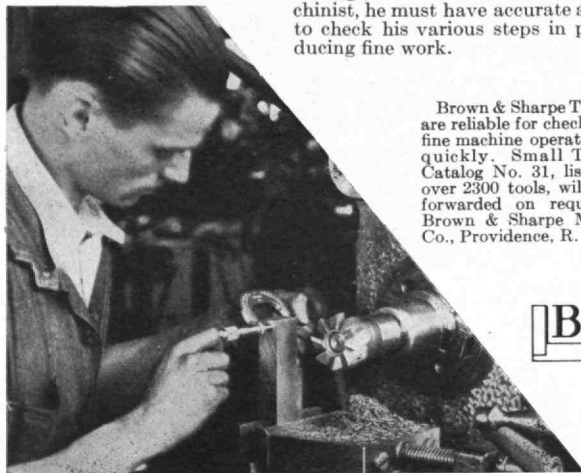
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SINCE 1922 The Review has been published eight times per year and the present number concludes Volume XXXII. Hereafter, there will be nine numbers per year, the extra issue being dated October. Diligent readers of that issue will note on its masthead that the magazine has a new Editor, J. RHYNE KILLIAN, JR., '26; to less punctilious readers, however, this change may not be perceptible, for Mr. Killian, as Managing Editor of The Review since 1927, has been responsible for the editorial content and make-up of the last three Volumes.

Mr. Killian becomes the seventh Editor since Volume I, Number 1, dated January, 1899, made its bow on December 20, 1898, as a quarterly magazine. In format the initial number was of the so-called standard size (6½" x 9½"), printed on real rag paper with tipped in half tones and photogravures, all wrapped in a sombre brown covering.

To the Association of Class Secretaries, The Review owed its genesis, and the three men who planned it were: ARTHUR D. LITTLE, '85; C. FRANK ALLEN, '72; and the late JAMES P. MUNROE, '82. Mrs. WILLIAM BARTON ROGERS advanced them \$1,000 as a guarantee fund, they appointed ARTHUR T. HOPKINS, '97, as Editor, and The Review became an actuality.

After three numbers, Mr. Hopkins resigned; WALTER HUMPHREYS, '97, now Secretary of the Corporation, was Editor of the number dated October, 1899, and, with the beginning of Volume II, Mr. Munroe undertook control. For eight years Mr. Munroe labored until, in 1908, he transferred the responsibility to ISAAC W. LITCHFIELD, '85, who served until 1917 when Robert E. Rogers became Editor. HAROLD E. LOBDELL, '17, succeeded Professor Rogers in 1922 at which time ERIC F. HODGINS, '22, became Managing Editor, being succeeded by Mr. Killian in 1927.

Besides Mr. Killian, the staff of The Review, Volume XXXIII, will include RALPH T. JOPE, '28, as Business Manager, and JOHN J. ROWLANDS as Contributing Editor. Mr. Jope has been with the magazine since 1928, and Mr. Rowlands, since 1925. Mr. Lobdell will continue with The Review as Publisher.

The Review regrets that Miss CATHERINE C. CARLSON, a member of the staff since 1926 and Editorial Associate of Volume XXXII, has resigned, but congratulates both Miss Carlson and Mr. Hodgins on their approaching marriage.

H. E. L.

THE REVIEW is not published during the summer months following July. This issue concludes Volume XXXII. Number 1 of Volume XXXIII, which will contain nine instead of eight numbers, will be published on September 27, and dated October. Readers who bind their copies of The Review are reminded that if they possess eight numbers of Volume XXXII, their files are complete. An index to the Volume will be ready on September 15, and will be supplied post-free upon request. Verbiem sat sapienti!

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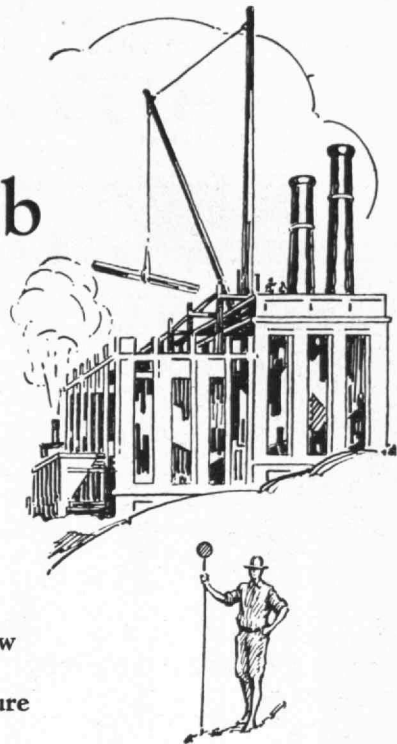


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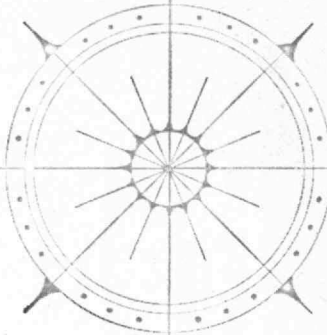
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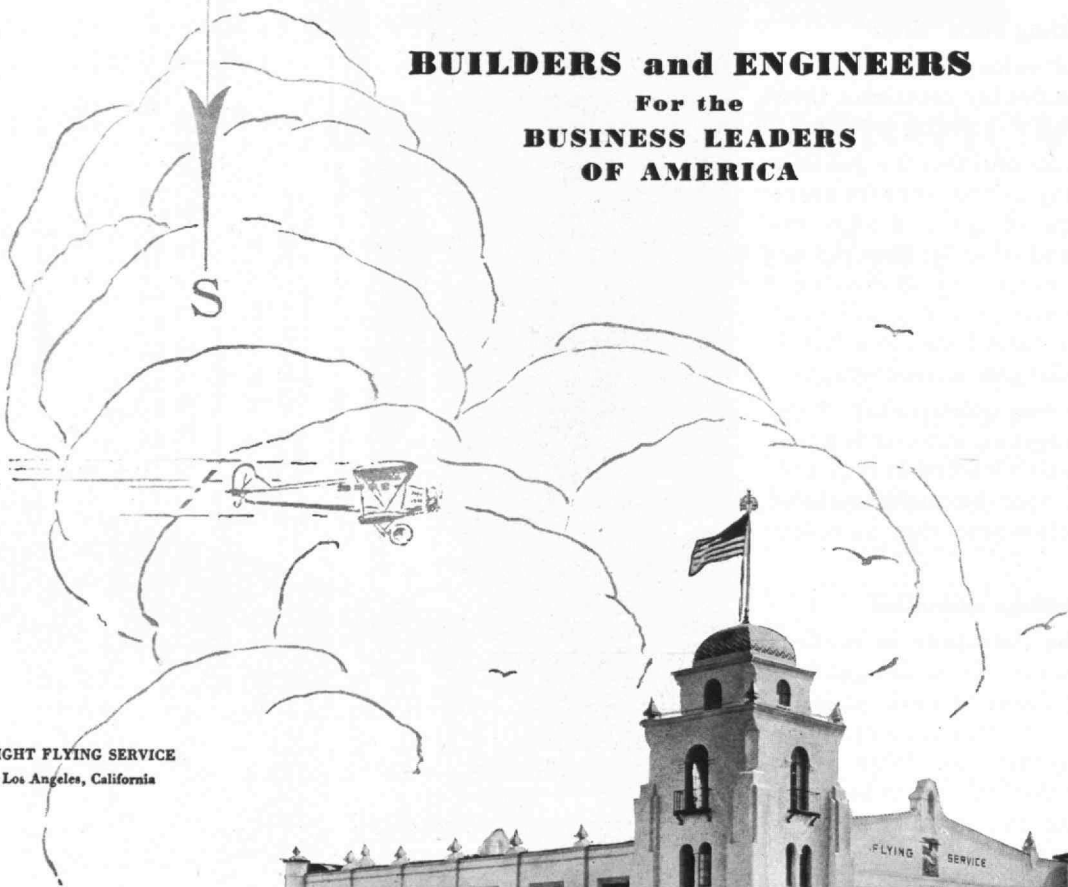
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