Design Hints For Memorial Craftsmen

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He
Who Does Things
Is
Given Things To Do

November, 1929
SMITH
A NAME AS OLD AS CIVILIZATION
offers
A GRANITE AS ENDURING AS LIFE...
BARRE

Quality and Character and the peculiar Beauty that belongs to them make up the granite of Smith-Barre. A close grained perfection that can stand up under years of any climate, that can retain the beauty of fine carving and hammered work. Specify Smith-Barre. See how beautiful a fine granite can be.

E. L. SMITH & CO.
BARRE, VERMONT
SERVICE and the IDEA

It is the IDEA that strikes the responsive chord in present day trade.

Ideas, through new designs, and Service, through prompt shipment have helped in the growth and prestige of Johnson and Gustafson.

Attracting the attention of the memorialist they have made him familiar with the excellence of Johnson and Gustafson Service.

We use Rock of Ages on polished work, and Wetmore and Morse and E. L. Smith's Light Barre for axed work.

Johnson & Gustafson
BARRE, VERMONT

EASTERN REPRESENTATIVES
Mr. Gust. Martenson
Mr. C. A. Arnold
W. L. Rogers

WESTERN REPRESENTATIVES
Mr. H. H. Abraham
Mr. John Haley
Mr. John L. Marsh

SOUTHERN REPRESENTATIVE
Alex. Duncan

Say you saw it in DESIGN HINTS
Small Things of Great Importance

In this age of strong competition it is the small things that make one firm more capable than another. Competition has forced all to increase their facilities for service. But in the great battle of the “fittest” many have overlooked the small things, the details that add or detract so much where service is concerned.

We challenge anyone to show a more satisfied group of friends and customers than those comprising the army supporting Universal. And friends and customers are always the reward of pleasing, of leaving nothing overlooked.

Universal Granite Co.
"THE HOUSE OF SEVEN BROTHERS"
St. Cloud, Minnesota
Rep.—III. Ind. Mich. Ohio
LOUIS C. ROEMER

Say you saw it in DESIGN HINTS
THE TRADITIONS OF CRAFTSMANSHIP ARE THE SIMPLE LOYALTY OF STANDING FIRM TO THE ACCEPTED AND FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF GOOD WORKMANSHIP. HOLDING TENACIOUSLY TO THE CANONS OF GOOD TASTE, GREWE HAS BUILT A CLIENTELE THAT IS GREAT. IN THE DESIRE FOR GOOD FORM AND FINE WORKMANSHIP AND GROWING GREATER IN NUMBERS EVERY MONTH, AND THE JOY OF CRAFTSMANSHIP IS THAT IT FINDS ZEST IN THE FINE EXPRESSION OF NEW IDEAS.

GREWE WELCOMES YOUR INITIAL ORDER.

"GROW WITH GREWE"

GREWE GRANITE COMPANY
WHOLESALE EXCLUSIVELY
ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA

Say you saw it in DESIGN HINTS
Carving intelligently rendered—
Lettering properly and artistically executed—
Proportions that are correct—

Are all items important in themselves. But there is another element often overlooked and yet even more important than all others in a memorial, viz:—Symmetry.

Unless the balancing of carving, lettering and finishing is done with reference to one another, the harmony of design is ruined; and each element, however masterfully executed in itself, is worthless in regard to the whole effect of the memorial.

SIMMERS' MEMORIALS ARE BETTER

A. M. SIMMERS & SONS
A. M. Simmers  A. W. SIMMERS  George Simmers
St. Cloud, Minn.

Say you saw it in DESIGN HINTS
Here's What We Mean By Service

The word "Service" has been kicked around until it has lost all meaning. We believe that turning every dollar into the newest and most modern equipment that inventive genius has to offer, that we may further our capability for prompt shipment and fine finish, is the best way we have of showing our appreciation of our customers.

The Renault design is a new Smalley creation representative of our exclusive line.

We welcome inquiries concerning memorials finished in Royal Dark and Royal Blue Gray from the old Souhegan Quarry. We also finish Pink and Red Westerly Granites.

Henry C. Smalley Granite Co., Inc.
64-84 Penn. St. Quincy Adams, Mass.

Say you saw it in DESIGN HINTS
Rock of Ages — Granite of convincing worth

There is something so definitely conclusive in the proposal that defines Rock of Ages as the memorial granite, that it carries positive conviction of the worth of the man who proposes it. Because years of careful and informative publicity have made this granite the standard of the industry. He who specifies it expresses his appreciation of the value the buyer places on his sentiment. It is good business to work with a leader.

We believe sincerely that the Rock of Ages Service Bureau can be of very material help to you in increasing your profit.

Why not inquire into this?

Rock of Ages Corporation
"Quarriers of the Distinctive Barre Granite"
Barre, Vermont

Say you saw it in DESIGN HINTS
“— to Men of Good Will”

Most striking in the season of Christmas is its underlying slogan: “— and on Earth Peace to Men of Good Will.” The thought of this promise often has been clouded by changing the language or because it is often misquoted.

Men of Good Will were to be given that peace of mind which comes to those who have the elements of a good will—fraternity, brotherly love, the desire to help their fellow men.

In their company there was no place for a Scrooge. He was to be overwhelmed and mastered not by physical force or debate or argument but by the very atmosphere surrounding these men of good will.

The world has changed since these significant words were uttered. A pagan, superstitious mankind turned its attention to a new thought in religion and philosophy.

Men were distrustful of one another, more even than they are today. They had supreme faith in imaginary gods, a god of air, of rain, of upper elements and those powers of evil under the earth.

Then came the time of an enlightened era in matters of faith and morals. During the thirty-three years which were to follow the world was to witness great changes in the thoughts and sentiments of men.

It was difficult for them to give up the old order of things and there was great opposition to the Man of Nazareth, whose teachings were not wholly accepted and whose influence was resented by men of authority, principally because He took from them their powers over the people.

The season of Good Will and brotherly love really began with the Christmas season. And following this first Christmas season the people became more and more influenced by its wondrous spirit, its atmosphere. The simplicity of this Man of Nazareth was to be reflected in this Holy Season. People became like children in their joyousness and during this time they forgave debts and their enemies.

So for two thousand years the spirit has carried on. It has come down to our times and while it often appears that there is only a veneer left of the old Christmas spirit it is nevertheless pretty much universally felt.

The Christmas spirit is here again and with it there comes the season of Good Will. With it Design Hints is mindful of the splendid spirit of Good Will which has been in evidence on the part of its supporters since the very day of its beginning. The Editor gets a great deal of pleasure out of this work but a great deal more.
Newspaper Advertisements
That you can convert to your own use
By Harvey R. Kruse

Many of our friends who have followed this series of friendly suggestions on advertising, have had occasion to use newspaper advertisements recently and we felt that a separate article on this subject would be both timely and of considerable interest.

The last three articles were concerned with Direct Mail—folders and letters—attention being especially given to the development of a series of letters to cover a campaign for one year. Sufficient material has already been furnished to cover the first few months and so we can therefore break into this series with a special discussion on newspaper advertising. In a later article we will take up the rest of the letters to complete this 12 month’s Direct Mail campaign.

Why Advertise in Newspapers?
Occasionally you will hear someone say, “What’s the use of spending money in newspapers. No one ever reads your advertising anyhow.”

Well now, are you so sure about that? Most of us are willing to admit that such huge corporations as General Motors, Washburn Crosby, Simmons Company, Corn Products Company and dozens of our largest food, radio, and specialty companies have made a pretty careful analysis of the situation before spending their millions for advertising. They don’t make mistakes. You can bank on it that they know their business.

Yet each one of them today is spending more money in newspapers than they ever have before. Total up the millions spent yearly in every form of advertising known and considerably more than half of it is spent in newspapers. It isn’t logical to believe that this would continue if newspapers were not getting results, is it?

Constant and repeated evidence proves that newspaper advertising—wisely administered—does get results. W. L. Douglas (one example of the dozens we could cite) says that “Newspaper advertising has made me what I am.” (And he’s one of the world’s largest and most successful shoe manufacturers today.)

So much for the question of “Why advertise?” Most everyone will agree that a reasonable appearance of your name, business, and selling story in your local newspaper will keep your buying public aware of you and help build up the idea (subconsciously) that they must see you when in the market for a memorial.

What Should I Say If I Advertise in Newspapers?
Well, after all the public is not so complex in its desires, nor is there such a great mystery about the presentation of advertising itself.

Human beings have desires, sentiments, hopes, ambitions, fears, instincts, pride, vanity, and obsessions. Buying (or the pos-
A Tribute of Thoughtful Respect

Your Name Address

Plate I

If it is Done for Love, No More Could Be Asked

Your Name Address

Plate II

A Matter of Pride - Respect - Reverence

Your Name Address

Plate III

To Those Who Really Care, Memories Are Sacred

Your Name Address

Plate IV
sessive instinct) can be traced, generally to some fundamental cause. Hence the person who advertises should seek to translate his merchandise into terms that the buyer will be concerned with and interested in.

Tell him about the pride of family name. The sentiment of perpetuating a memory. The tribute paid to those we love. The respect we have for others who have helped us. Possibly even the fear that unless we display some sort of a public tribute, people will think we are ungrateful. A dozen appeals.

Tell your story clearly and in a simple manner. In a refined way, but not "high hat." With dignity, of course, because it is a subject of deep personal concern.

A Few Sample Advertisements

Suppose we confine ourselves to Two-column advertisements. That is, an advertisement which is 2 columns in width. The depth can vary of course, but suppose we draw these up for a conservative size—say 6 inches deep, which makes a well proportioned advertisement.

Not only can we vary our story or "copy" as we have learned to call it, but we can vary the arrangement or "layout," and thus secure variety and interesting attention value.

We learn too that tribute can be paid in more ways than by erecting monuments to someone's memory. We can pay a tribute to the customer's intelligence by discussing his problem in a tactful manner and not coming out blaringly with coarse announcements that shout "tombstones" at him.

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SUCH ADJECTIVES

AS

DESIGNERS

ARTISTIC
ATTRACTIVE
BEAUTIFUL
CREATIVE
EXQUISITE
MODERN
UNUSUAL
POPULAR
INDIVIDUAL
EXCLUSIVE

FINISHERS

ARE VERY FITTING BUT NONE
REACH THE HIGH PLANE OF

VICTORY FINISHED MEMORIALS
VICTORY DESIGNS
VICTORY GRANITE CO., INC.
BARRE, VERMONT

Say you saw it in DESIGN HINTS
The New Orleans Tomb

PART II
By Leonard V. and Albert R. Huber

Last month we learned how to construct the foundation of the tomb and we now take up the granite work. The tomb illustrated this month is one that should retail at between $2,000 and $2,500, depending on material used. It is a double tomb and displays a very ingenious arrangement whereby it has double the capacity of the single tomb. This is accomplished by making the tomb wide enough to accommodate two caskets on each shelf and placing the door to one side, the other side being permanently closed by a panel. To the casual observer it appears that the tomb has two doors but it is only necessary to swing one of them.

Interments are made as follows: the first casket to be interred is placed on the shelf and pushed to the left side, thus allowing space for the second interment. This tomb has a capacity of from six to eight caskets, depending on the depth of the receptacle.

In ordering the material it is advisable to order stock for two or more tombs at once. In this way the number of pieces running under one foot in thickness can be ordered in single pieces with a couple of inches added for splitting and the pieces split in the shop. This saves quite an amount on stock. Some dealers might find it advisable to have their tombs cut at the quarry centers and there are several firms located at each of them who will quote reasonable prices for cutting tombs.

It is important that the pieces of the tomb be lewised to facilitate setting and this detail should not be overlooked. The ornament on the lintel and the vertical lines on the pilasters are applied by sand-carving.

Before the tomb is set on the foundation, each piece should be measured to check all sizes. Lower course, steps, etc., may be rolled onto the foundation without the aid of a derrick. The derrick should be a two ton setter's derrick although the use of the derrick is not strictly an essential; if one is not obtainable the stone may be set by jacking and the aid of 6 x 6 timbers, though the use of a derrick greatly facilitates matters and is much safer for the men.

After the first course has been squared up and set in place it should be anchored together with 1/4" copper wire set in hot lead. The interior of the tomb is to be lined with concrete which should be cast in wooden forms according to the plans as the tomb progresses. The first part of the lining is cast after the first course has been set in place. This is allowed to harden, the forms removed and the next course or courses set in place depending on the type of tomb. An offset or corbel is left at the height of the sill to receive the removable crypt shelf which divides the receptacle from the tomb proper.

In the "Morgan" design on half of this shelf is a solid piece of 2" thick limestone and the other half of several small pieces, removable. The top shelf is set when
the concrete lining has been brought to the necessary height and then the forms are removed, rebuilt above the shelf and the top lining cast. Concrete is later cement plastered in brush finish and then whitewashed or painted. The concrete lining of the tomb gives it the greatest strength and if constructed properly the tomb should last indefinitely with but small care, (pointing of joints is the most essential).

May we again emphasize the absolute necessity of anchoring each stone with copper anchors. The ancient Greeks and Romans used bronze anchors or clamps
The concrete lining has been brought to the necessary height and then the forms are removed, with jointing of joints. The concrete is later rebuilt above the shelf and then whitewashed or painted. The concrete lining of the tomb gives it the greatest strength and used bronze anchors or clamps.

May we again emphasize the top lining cast. Concrete is later rebuilt above the shelf and the wall, plastered in brush finish. The ancient Greeks and Romans used bronze anchors or clamps.
and this fact is one of the main reasons for the permanence of their buildings. In Rome one is able to see the holes dug around the anchor-holes in buildings by barbarians who thus stole the bronze; where this has been done on a large scale the buildings have disintegrated. The reason is simple; if the mortar gives, the anchors still hold. Also, where there are anchors properly set, there is much less tendency for the stone to give.

To be continued next month.

The door, pivots, lock and setting of the same will be discussed in the third article of the series next month.

Newspaper Advertisements

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You will notice that this advertisement (Plate 2) offers a somewhat unusual layout which any newspaper can set up for you. Each advertisement of these four, demonstrates a different layout to secure variety for your campaign.

You will notice that each of the layouts call for an illustration of a monument design. If possible, try to use a design of the shape shown in the layout since they lend themselves to the arrangement suggested.

It might be added that these advertisements would be even more attractive if you could use them in 3 column sizes. That is, 3 columns wide by about 9 inches deep. This would allow a larger type face for the copy, more white space in the layout and increase the effectiveness of the advertisement in general.

(In the next article of this series we will give additional suggestions for newspaper Advertisements).

Advertisement No. 3 (See Plate No. 3 for layout)

A Matter of Pride - Respect - Reverence

Somehow all of your own thoughts, and feelings and emotions are symbolized in the memorial you erect to the memory of a dear one. It expresses your own character.

One feels that nothing but the best can truly pay the tribute you want it to express. It is your offering of grateful thanks for all the fine things Love has given you. And it must endure forever.

Perhaps we can help you in making this expression, for we have had years of experience translating human feelings into beautiful lasting granite. Often we are called upon to create special designs symbolizing definite thoughts that are personal to the client. Some of our most beautiful memorials are created in this way.

May we tell you about this service? Without obligation to you of course.

Advertisement No. 4 (See Plate No. 4 for layout)

To Those Who Really Care

Memories Are Sacred

Whether Life has been rich with experience or confined within narrow limits, there are always memories held sacred beyond the reach of commonplace things.

To those memories and to the finer things which they have inspired, one owes full reverence and respect. Not merely for a present lifetime but for all lifetimes to come.

The beautiful custom of erecting a monument—dignified, lasting, beautiful—springs from this natural urge.

Choosing such a memorial is often somewhat involved with doubt, and we respectfully offer our services in the capacity of counsel. Our years of experience together with a sympathetic understanding of your problem can be a welcome aid to you.
Living Memories—

—tributes to the men of yesterday; the proper memorial built of a material that time and tide will not efface.
Such is the testimonial of the multitude of dealers who specify

SUPERIOR RED AND GRAY
for their most particular orders for memories.

Granite City Granite Company
THE AHLGREN
ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA
REPRESENTATIVES
R. G. KOCH, 316 E 51st St., Kansas City, Mo.
O. A. RAIRDON, Box 428, Bellefontaine, Ohio
C. H. GRUNEWALD, 314 Eitel Bldg., Seattle, Washington

Say you saw it in DESIGN HINTS
Getting Ready For The State Conventions

It won't be long now. On January, 8, 9 and 10, 1930, a combined meeting of the Memorial Craftsmen of the New England States will take place at Boston. From then on there will be continuous meetings of the different state associations until early in March. More interest is being manifested in these meetings than ever before, due to the dangers that face the industry and the greater efficiency which the affairs of the national association are being conducted.

This year a far reaching change has been made in the usual manner in which the meeting dates of the state associations have been arranged in the past. Instead of arranging the meeting in two circuits that ran coincidently as in previous years, the lineup of the state meetings has been arranged in one consecutive group. Although this arrangement made it necessary to lengthen out the time covered by the state meetings, it has the advantage of doing away with the overlapping of different meetings. It is now possible for the visitors from the quarry regions who have been in the habit of attending the different state meetings and who are laughingly referred to as "camp followers," to visit all the different meetings. In former years they could only go to one meeting that they earnestly wanted to attend and then cuss because another meeting that they equally desired to visit was taking place on the same day. This coming year they can go to all of the meetings, and national headquarters certainly hopes that they will.

The Memorial Craftsmen of Texas will not meet in the winter like they did last year. They are planning a summer meeting in accordance with their old custom. The date and the place of the meeting of the Memorial Craftsmen of Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia has not yet been set.

The dates, cities and hotels of the meetings so far arranged (and fortunately this list is almost complete at this time) is given below:

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A Creation of Gothic Inspiration—

—can only be successfully adapted to sandblast finish when it is of as conservative a nature as the Grantham design—and when the granite is as applicable in texture and pliability as

TRADE MARK
BLUE "OGLESBY" GRANITE
REGISTERED
SAWED ON THE HEAD GRAIN

Sawed Slabs Rough Stock
Polished Slabs Finished Memorials

OGLESBY GRANITE QUARRIERS
ELBERTON, GEORGIA

Say you saw it in DESIGN HINTS
LET US BE THANKFUL
Written for Design Hints by
Dr. Roy L. Smith

Let us this year, be thankful for the humble servants who have served us faithfully and well without mutiny or advertising.

Let us be thankful for the matter-of-fact American hen who, without labor troubles or union regulations, produced 1,200,000,000 dozen eggs last year and added thereby $312,000,000 to the nation’s income. Biddy is one of our largest and most reliable industries.

Let us be thankful for the contented American cows which produced last year 325,000,000 pounds of cheese, 1,356,000,000 pounds of creamery butter and 52,770,000,000 pounds of milk for household use. No congressional committee ever had to investigate Bossy’s business.

Let us be thankful for the good natured American sheep which grew 301,000,000 pounds of wool as it roamed the hill-sides, and then surrendered every pound without organizing a revolt or making a campaign issue of it.

Let us be thankful for the songs of the wild birds, sweeter than the notes of any prima donna. These feathered songsters are never bothered with temperament or professional jealousy; they sing for rich and poor alike and are always ready with an encore regardless of the attitude of their audience. Yet none of them was ever known to bring on nervous prostration because it could not own two nests at the same time.

Let us be thankful for the sunsets which no artist can paint and which no man can own; for the flowers with the mint-marks of divinity upon them; for the trees with the charity of God within their branches and the rain which has fallen upon the just and the unjust.

Let us be thankful for the white corpuscles of the blood which have stood guard over the nation’s health during the past year, saving us from plagues and epidemics.

Let us be thankful for the stars that shine through the nights, without a city inspector to supervise or a department of government to regulate them.

Let us be thankful for the activity of the electrons which have kept the world vital with energy, for the ultra-violet rays which have kept the world sanitary and for the unseen waves of power which have meant life and being to all creation.

For all the servents of man, seen and unseen, which have this year labored without thought of reward or hope of advancement, fulfilling their destiny, let us be thankful.
EMERALTONE

EXCLUSIVE--

To be able to offer as the exclusive selling agent in the territory a high grade granite is the opportunity still awaiting a limited number of progressive dealers.

Investigate the merits of EMERALTONE then ask us about our exclusive dealer proposition.

St. Cloud Granite Works
St. Cloud, Minn.

Say you saw it in DESIGN HINTS
The March of Progress, Digression or Diversity, or whatever the modern trend of commerce may be rightly called brings forth many strange ideas.

These come as a result of the effort of an enterprise to get into the public sun—the calcium of public recognition.

During these times of changes in selling methods Melrose aims high in its attempt to bring greater help to the retailer, but it will not go beyond the bounds of business reason and approach the sensational.

Our quarries, producing various colors of granites, our design service, a particular department in the Melrose organization; our huge force of conscientious workmen are all at the service of Melrose customers, as well as the will of Melrose to serve them.

These facts are known to those taking advantage of Melrose Service—a Service that is as available as it is complete.

MELROSE GRANITE COMPANY
ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA
Hemple

Again we pay our respects to the demand for the inexpensive memorial—this time by the presentation of the Hemple design. This design should prove to be very popular, for it combines the essentials of the "good seller." The two-tone effect at the sides makes it attractive, and the proportions are such as would look well in small sizes.

Beautiful 11x14 photographs of the designs shown on pages 22 and 23 will be furnished by Design Hints for 75¢ each.

Say you saw it in DESIGN HINTS
In the Hammond memorial we have a very pleasing combination of finish. The hammered margin which is enriched by a very neat and simple ornament at the top lends contrast and life against the polished surface. The whole memorial is finished in a manner that is attractive, and yet not costly.

Please write the manufacturers listed in Design Hints for Sizes and prices on the designs shown on pages 22 and 23.
Very Much Alive

Mr. Dan. B. Haaslam,
Publisher of Design Hints,
St. Cloud, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Received a copy of Design Hints the other day and notice you have a cut of my memorial in among the "Granite Chips." I gave this photograph to Mr. Bonner not knowing that he intended to have it published. If so I might have enlightened him a little more on the subject.

Now in the first place I would like to have it understood among the Craftsmen that Mrs. Burr and I are very much alive and I am still the senior member of the firm of Burr & Pugh.

The design of this memorial was originated by Mrs. Burr and myself, although the subject, "The End Of The Trail" was taken from a photograph of the original which was a plaster cast set at the Golden Gate in California in 1914 by James Earl Fraser. This cast was later destroyed by fire and nothing remains of it but photographs and so-called paintings. This monument is a beautiful work of art and we feel very proud of it and while it was very nice of you to have a little write-up in your valuable paper I do hate to be listed among the dead.

We have had many comments and compliments on our memorial from the public at large which gives us much pleasure and I feel that I am fully repaid for the trouble and expense of having erected this beautiful piece of work. It was my wife's idea to have this "End of The Trail" carved in life size upon the monument. We worked on this design off and on for two years before fully deciding that we had just exactly what we wanted.

Mrs. Burr is a great lover of horses and Indian lore and you will note upon the photograph that on either end of the date 1929 is a Swastika which is an Indian omen of good luck in the future. My wife is entitled to the full credit of the idea of using this in a private memorial. She is the owner of a fine saddle horse that has taken blue ribbons at our County Fairs. She also won two fine silver cups for being the best lady rider among thirty or forty other competitors.

Another reason for erecting this memorial was that the National Retailers' Association of America has advocated a slogan of "Build
Liberty's Designs

Increase Sales

Again Liberty Meets The Demand

Some months ago we advertised three inexpensive designs on a single photograph. The number of orders for these was so large that we are now offering two more for your approval for we believe you appreciate our Design Service.

The attractive yet inexpensive Healey and Allen tablets are adaptable to any of the wide variety of granites Liberty has to offer.

Liberty Standard Red  Liberty Red
Liberty Gray               Light & Dark Barre
Belview Mahogany          Oglesby Blue

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Very truly yours,
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We Should Worry About A Little Thing Like That!

Dan. B. Haslam,
Publisher of Design Hints,
St. Cloud, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Haslam:

Notice our old friend, Cook bursts out in a lot of Greek letters in the current issue of The Monumental News. Gee but he likes you. I am afraid Robert has forgotten some of his Hellenic even though he did translate the Anabasis.

I have heard a lot of explanations of the meaning of I H S but he even beats your “In Heaven Sure.” I wonder what happens to the “V” if the I H S stands for In Hoc Signo Venes. Here is one I have heard. “I Have Suffered.”

Cook is all wet about the “J” and the periods in between the letters too. Hope you write a nice scorching little retort to his article. These guys who sit and pick the tiny flaws in a man’s address but who could not get up and make half the address even if somebody else wrote it for them make me tired.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely yours,
(Name on File.)

Dan. B. Haslam,
St. Cloud, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for sending us the October issue of your magazine. We find it very interesting and would surely enjoy having it each month.

In a sense we are not strangers as we have purchased a copy of your book, “Memorial Design.” We consider this one of the best hand books we have ever seen. It could, of course, treat everything more elaborately but this would destroy its value in a memorial shop as one often has to look up some little details without spending all day.

Again thanking you for your magazine, I am

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Harry Person,
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On Thursday evening, December 5th, Chas. G. Blake Co. will hold a Silver Anniversary Banquet in honor of Mr. John Cargill, who on that date will have served twenty-five years with the Chas. G. Blake Co. as chief designer. Mr. Cargill, is without doubt, one of America’s foremost memorial designers and authority on memorial construction and designing. His life in the memorial business is to tell the story in the advancement of the memorial business, having spent nearly fifty years in this endeavor.

Such men as John Gould, of Farrington, Gould & Hoagland; Chas. G. Blake, founder of Chas. G. Blake Co.; Messrs. Cottrell, Tainter and hundreds of others owe their knowledge and their preliminary foundation work to the tutelage of Mr. Cargill when he was chief draftsman of the old Smith Granite Company at Westerly, R. I. Mr. Cargill has designed and supervised the construction of more than one hundred Mausoleums in New York City alone, and in Chicago, he has designed and supervised the construction of nearly three hundred Mausoleums, all for Chas. G. Blake Co. He has either designed or collaborated such Memorials or Mausoleums as Marshall Field, Potter Palmer, Judge Elbert H. Gray, John F. Jelke, and thousands of others which he and Mr. Chas. G. Blake have worked out together. He has collaborated with such famous architects as the late Henry Bacon, Benjamin Marshall, the late Stanford White and many an architect, from coast to coast, has called on Chas. G. Blake Co. and Mr. John Cargill for information on the proper construction of Mausoleums.

This Silver Anniversary Banquet will be held at the Hamilton Club in Chicago, in a private dining room, where nearly one hundred friends and employees of Chas. G. Blake Co. will honor him. His many friends in and out of the granite industry are cordially invited to attend the Banquet if they will kindly wire or write Chas. G. Blake Co. for reservations. The entire sales, drafting, clerical, designing and all Departments of Chas. G. Blake Co. will attend in a body, amounting to nearly sixty people.

Among the speakers will be Chas. E. Blake, President of Chas. G. Blake Co.; Donald P. Blake, Secretary; Henry J. Rehm, Superintendent of Oak Woods Cemetery, Chicago, who will speak on John Cargill and the memorial beauty of Oak Woods Cemetery; Chas. T. Johnson, Vice President and Superintendent of Mt. Greenwood Cemetery, will speak on cooperation between the memorial designer and the Cemeteries; Herbert Haase, President and Superintendent of Forest Home Cemetery, Chicago, will speak on correct and durable construction and what it means to the Cemetery; Wm. G. Adams will speak on twenty-five years friendship with John Cargill; Chas. H. Gall will speak on John Cargill, and correct
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construction. John Gould has been asked to read the history of John Cargill as compared with the granite industry. Fred Irvine has been asked to talk on the subject of John Cargill, which will be an outline of the advancement of memorial designs.

The Editors of all Trade Journals (and they are hereby invited) are asked to either attend the Banquet and give a talk on any subject they desire, or else mail it to us, and it will be read.

The entire decorations of the Banquet Room will be in Silver and a silver presentation will be made to Mr. Cargill by the friends and employees of Chas. G. Blake Co. Mr. Cargill joined the Chas. G. Blake Co. in 1904, thirteen years after it was organized in Chicago, by Chas. G. Balke. His friends are numbered among the leaders in the industry and there is probably not a granite cutter or anyone in the wholesale end of the business who has not been associated with Mr. Cargill, either directly or indirectly during his long service in this industry.

Mr. Chas. G. Blake, the founder of the Company will be unable to attend the Banquet due to the fact that he is at his winter home in St. Petersburg, and where he is managing the Florida Office of Chas. G. Blake Co. However, a letter will be read to Mr. Cargill by his son, Donald P. Blake.

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“—to Men of Good Will”

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