

from the left hand side of the class rooms.

All class rooms, cloak rooms, teachers' rooms, etc., have plastered walls and ceilings, with a cement dado three feet six inches extending around each room.

There are four class rooms on each floor, the first floor also provides principal's office, with private lavatory, etc., with separate closets for kindergarten and primary.

On the second floor there are lady teachers' and nurses' rooms with private lavatories in connection, each room being well lighted from the outside, and each lavatory ventilated.

The building is heated by steam, direct radiation, on the low pressure gravity return system, and the temperature regulation is under automatic control.

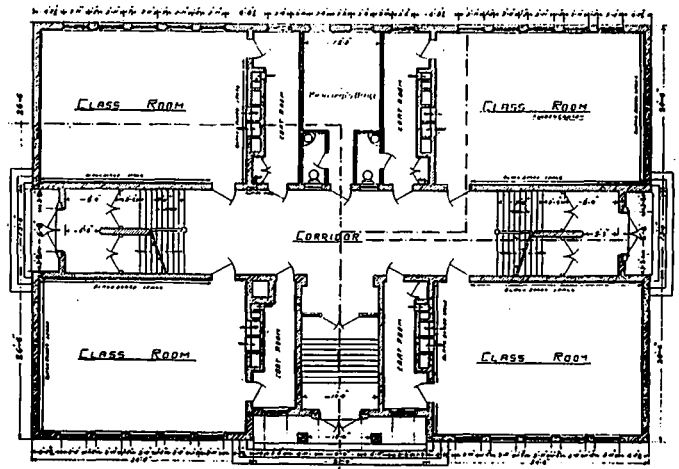
The ventilation of class rooms, cloak rooms and play rooms in the basement is on the single plenum system, the air being supplied from a motor driven fan in the basement, taking air directly from the outside and distributing it to the different rooms. The air used for ventilating is warmed by being drawn over steam heated coils, and is under automatic control, a uniform temperature being maintained at all times, same as in the heating system. Each cloak room, lavatory, etc., above the basement is ventilated separately.

The lavatories in the basement are ventilated on the exhaust system, the foul air being drawn off by an electrically operated fan in each lavatory, and discharging above the roof of the building.

The plumbing and drainage system is very complete, all closets and urinals being individual sections divided by slate partitions, and each individual section ventilated.

Fire protection is provided by a large stand pipe extending from the basement, with flush cabinets containing valves, and hose racks on each floor and in basement.

The building is electrically lighted, and has a complete system of call bells, fire alarm system, etc.



FIRST FLOOR PLAN, GALT PUBLIC SCHOOL.

## THE AMERICAN VANDAL

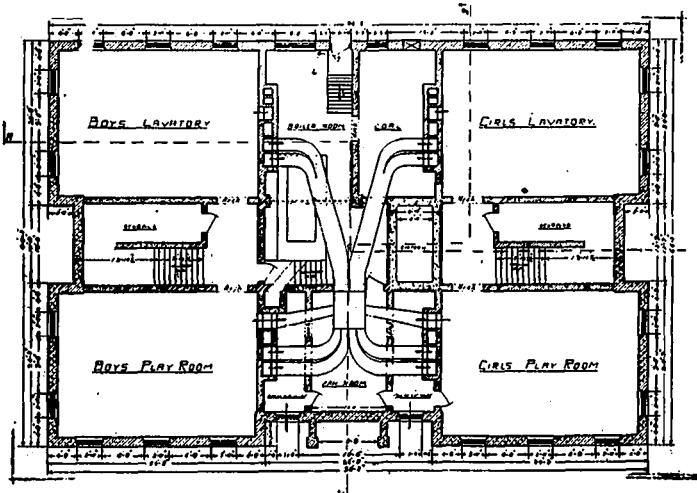
The other day we walked by a particularly attractive suburban residence. The house was good and the broad lawn showed both taste and care. Like a pretty little girl in a becoming Sunday school dress, with her hair curled, the premises made you think pleasantly that somebody's affection was centred upon it. It was so attractive that we turned into the cross street in order to walk along that side of the grounds. A garage stood at the corner of the grounds abutting on an alley; and fairly in the mouth of the alley, unavoidably catching the eye of whoever passed down the cross street, lay a heap of junk and offal, evidently thrown out from the garage and the house. The alley itself looked as though it might lead to a pigsty.

That is strictly typical. The alley, of course, did not belong to the householder, and he did not care a rap how it looked; so, with one hand he offered the passer-by a rose, while with the other he hit him in the eye with an old tin can.

Perhaps such negligence is due to the pioneer spirit, to which Nature was just something to be subdued, as quickly and untidily as possible, to human uses. But we have the habit of blaming everything disagreeable on the pioneer spirit, and the justification for it seems pretty well played out.

We do litter up the landscape abominably. It is a national habit that ought to be broken. Cities and towns should not only have ordinances forbidding unnecessary litter, but enforce them. Anywhere you will find a city spending a hundred thousand dollars or a million to make a beautiful park, and then tolerating all sorts of needless ugliness.

Any woman will tell you there is no use in wearing a fine dress along with a hat that has been fished out of a garbage can; for the dress simply emphasizes the hat. The more we spend on parks and front yards the less tolerable junk heaps and refuse-piled alleys become. What cities and towns are insisting upon reasonable sightliness?



BASEMENT PLAN, GALT PUBLIC SCHOOL.