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INTRODUCTION.

As a basis for this thesis the authors have various reasons for choosing the analysis of a reinforced ^{concrete} factory building. First: they are especially interested in reinforced concrete construction, Second, this particular type of construction (the mushroom type) is fairly new and as yet has not been very thoroughly tested. It is peculiarly adapted to large factories, warehouses and the like, where light and overhead room is essential. Therefore an attempt has been made to determine if this type of construction will stand the tests of best specifications. Thirdly, since the authors were employed in the construction of this building they were able to analyze it as it was built, and did not have to follow the plans blindly. Familiarity with the building, and acquaintance with the contractor's Supt., Mr. Groves, provides excellent promise of an effective and profitable analysis. An analysis of a purely paper design could hardly supply an equally lively interest.

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Nomenclature

M =bending moment in in. lbs.

w =uniform load/lin. ft.

l =length.

A_s =area of steel in tension.

b =breadth of rect. beam or breadth of flange of T beam.

d =distance from outer compressive fibre to c. of g. of steel.

p =ratio of area of tension to area of beam, bd.

K = " " depth of neutral axis to depth of beam, d.

J = " " distance between centers of compression and tension steel to depth of beam, d.

f_s =tensile unit stress in steel in lbs./sq. in.

f_s =comp. " " " concrete " / " "

p' =ratio of area of steel in tension to area of beam, bd.

p = " " " " " comp. " " " " "

p_1 =percent of steel required for desired units of f_s and f_c for single reinforced beam.

p_2 =

d' =percent of d from top of beam to compression steel.

$n=E_s/E_c$ ratio of modulus of elasticity of steel and concrete.

v =shearing unit stress in lbs./sq.in.

V =total shear.

u =bond unit stress in lbs./sq.in. of surface tension steel.

o =sum of perimeters of all horizontal tension steel at section considered.

I —Total moment of inertia.

I_s — " " " " of steel reinforcing.

P —total axial load.

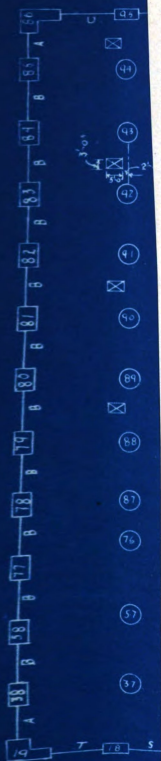
N —thrust, a component of the forces normal to the section.

A —effective area of column.

h —total depth of beam.

C —a constant.







Formulas for Floor Slabs.

Oblong panels

l_1 = width of floor panel.

l_2 = length of floor panel.

c = diameter of column head.

Negative bending moment.

$1/17 w l_2 (l_1 - 2/3 c)^2$ as bending moment parallel to width.

$1/17 w l_1 (l_2 - 2/3 c)^2$ " " " " " length.

Of this moment 85% should be provided for in the col. head and the remaining 15% in the middle section.

Positive bending moment.

$1/30 w l_2 (l_1 - 2/3 c)^2$ as moment through center parallel to length.

$1/30 w l_1 (l_2 - 2/3 c)^2$ " " " " " to width.

Of this moment not more than 60% should be placed in outer section.

For end panels add 20% to bending moment at first interior col. head and at center of span for section for section parallel to wall.

Ro	Comp						
Sl	and C		1	2	3	4	5
5-6-2	330	p	00777	00690	00818	00251	00448
		b	129.0	122.5	129.0	122.5	129.0
		d	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
		J	867	879	911	921	898
		K	400	363	269	237	306
		fs	15900	18700	17400	16400	8600
		fc	616	710	425	343	244

Ro	Comp						
Sl	and C		1	2	3	4	5
25-2	297	p	00703	00624	00298	00251	00448
		b	129.0	122.5	129.0	122.5	129.0
		d	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
		K	367	349	258	237	283
		J	878	864	914	921	906
		fs	14500	20600	15900	16200	7900
		fc	553	737	366	300	225

Ro	Comp						
Sl	and C		1	2	3	4	5
17-18	362	p	00634	00703	00240	00331	00446
		b	156.0	145.0	142.5	139.0	142.5
		d	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
		K	352	345	235	269	305
		J	883	885	922	910	898
		fs	22100	18200	20900	18000	7630
		fc	783	740	423	445	223

Roof-nd C	omp						
Slab 5		1	2	3	4	5	6
18-19-38	p	.00805	.00646	.00284	.00234	.00556	.001
	b	141.0	140.5	135.0	131.5	135.0	131.5
	d	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
	K	.386	.364	.253	.233	.338	.305
	j	.871	.879	.916	.922	.887	.899
	f _s	15100	14200	18650	21300	6560	665
	f _c	630	730	422	424	216	22

Roof-nd C	omp						
Slab 12		1	2	3	4	5	6
30-37-5	p	.00945	.00603	.00372	.00197	.00560	.004
	b	129.0	156.0	129.0	156.0	129.0	148
	d	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
	K	.393	.344	.283	.230	.335	.301
	j	.869	.885	.906	.923	.888	.90
	f _s	16000	21500	16650	23700	7520	762
	f _c	760	765	438	400	250	21

1st Fl-nd C	omp						
Slab 284		1	2	3	4	5	6
5-6-2	p	.00956	.00761	.00415	.00262	.00541	.005
	b	129.0	122.5	129.0	122.5	129.0	122
	d	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
	K	.412	.378	.297	.247	.330	.32
	j	.863	.874	.901	.918	.890	.895
	f _s	31500	41500	33500	40500	17350	136
	f _c	1460	1670	937	860	570	427

1st Comp							
5th Comp							
25-26	and C	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.97	P	.00735	.00608	.00325	.00262	.00375	.003
	b	1240	122.5	129.0	122.5	129.0	122
	d	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
	k	.368	.345	.265	.245	.286	.278
	j	.877	.885	.912	.918	.905	.90
	fs	33,700	51,000	32,200	40,300	20,600	14,400
	fc	1345	1800	863	865	540	488

3d Comp							
5th Comp							
17-18	and C	1	2	3	4	5	6
3.62	P	.00722	.00700	.00376	.00360	.00414	.0037
	b	156.0	145.0	142.5	139.0	142.5	139
	d	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
	k	.343	.366	.285	.279	.296	.28
	j	.876	.878	.905	.907	.901	.90
	fs	64,500	92,500	68,200	44,300	40,000	28,800
	fc	2,700	3540	1,000	1,140	1,060	750

1st Comp							
5th Comp							
18-19	and C	1	2	3	4	5	6
0.73	P	.0126	.01024	.00344	.00222	.00975	.008
	b	141.0	140.5	136.0	131.5	135.0	131.5
	d	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
	k	.455	.4214	.272	.227	.414	.348
	j	.848	.860	.909	.924	.862	.867
	fs	28,000	35,000	41,000	63,500	10,200	11,150
	fc	1545	1700	1040	1210	480	492

DP							
C		1	2	3	4	5	6
	p	.01047	.00758	.00443	.00320	.00605	.00461
	b	129.0	156.0	129.0	156.0	129.0	148.0
	d	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
	k	426	.377	.304	.266	.345	.371
	j	.858	.8744	.899	.911	.885	.873
	f _s	39,100	46,000	37,000	39,600	18,400	20,100
	f _c	1920	1850	1080	955	645	500

Analysis of Roof Slab 44-43-63-64.

On account of the shape and supporting of this slab it was necessary to analyze it in two parts. In the analysis of each section we took a strip a foot wide and the length of the section long and analyzed it as a beam. One section was 20'-5" long and 9'-7" wide and the other 13'-1" by 9'-4".

Section 20'-5" by 9'-7"

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_s / \text{ft. width} &= 5285 \text{ sq. in.} & w &= 123.77 \# \\
 M &= 1/12 w l^2 = 4300 \# \\
 P &= .00677 & K &= .360 & J &= .88 & f_s &= 17000 & f_c &= 386
 \end{aligned}$$

Section 13'-1" by 9'-4"

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_s / \text{ft. width} &= .297 \text{ sq. in.} & w &= 1619 \# \\
 M &= 1/12 w l^2 = 21200 \# \\
 P &= .00381 & K &= .286 & J &= .905 & f_s &= 12100 & f_c &= 322
 \end{aligned}$$

Analysis of Second Floor Slab 44-43-63-64

This slab is 20'-5" by 9'-7" and was analyzed in the same way as the corresponding one on the roof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_s / \text{ft. width} &= .505 \text{ sq. in.} & w &= 129 \# \\
 M &= 1/12 w l^2 = 53700 \# \\
 P &= .006 & K &= .345 & J &= .882 & f_s &= 17200 & f_c &= 595
 \end{aligned}$$

Sample Computations.

Bending moment floor slabs

Neg. Moment

$$1/17 \times 350 \times 23.33 (20.42 - 3.66)^2 \times 12 = 1613887 \text{"} \#$$

$$20\% = 1936700 \text{"} \#$$

$$1/17 \times 350 \times 20.42 (23.33 - 3.66)^2 \times 12 = 1946000 \text{"} \#$$

Pos. moment

$$1/30 \times 350 \times 23.33 (20.42 - 3.66)^2 \times 12 = 914536 \text{"} \#$$

$$1/30 \times 350 \times 20.42 (23.33 - 3.66)^2 \times 12 = 1103000 \text{"} \#$$

$$-20\% = 1323600 \text{"} \#$$

For either floor slabs or beams.

$$M = 1646300 \text{"} \#$$

$$p = 8.64 / 903 = .00956$$

$$K = \sqrt{(30 \times .00956) + (.00956 \times 15)} - (.00956 \times 15) = .4116$$

$$J = 1 - .4116 / 3 = .863$$

$$f_s = 1646200 / 8.64 \times .863 \times 7 = 31500 \text{#/sq. in.}$$

$$f_c = 2 \times 1646200 / 6321 \times .863 \times .412 = 1460 \text{#/sq. in.}$$

Bending Mom for Beams.

$$M = \frac{w l^2}{12} = \frac{11650 \# \times 332 \# \times 23.33'}{12} = \frac{23.33' \times 12}{12} = 452000$$

11650 = total load on beam

332 = wt. per lin. ft. of beam

23.33 = length of beam.

Formulas for Beams

$M = 1/12 w l^2$ for interior continuous beams.

$M = 1/10 w l^2$ for end continuous beams.

$p = A_s / b d$

$K = \sqrt{2 p n - (p n)^2} - p n$

$J = 1 - K/3$

$f_s = M / A_s J d$

$f_o = 2 M / b d^2 J K$

Beams with Steel in Top and Bottom.

$p' = p_1 p_2$

$p_2 = p' (K - d') / (1 - K)$

$M = M_1 M_2$

$M_1 / f_s b d^2 = p_1 J_1$

$M_2 / f_s b d^2 = p_2 (1 - d')$

$f_o = f_s / n \times k / (1 - K)$

$v = V / b J d$

$u = V / \phi_o J d$

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Estimated Maximum Live Floor Load

Maximum load to consist of autotruck wheels at
125 lbs. per wheel.

There are to be 10 wheels in a pile and each 30" wheel covers 5 sq.ft. of floor space.

Maximum live load = $125 \times 10 / 5 = 250$ lbs. per sq.ft.

Analysis of Retaining Wall.

A section between two of the columns was tested. This section was taken as 1' wide x 9" thick x 20' long, and considered as a simple beam.

$$M = 1/8 w l^2 = 1110 \text{ ft-lb}$$

$$p = 0.02 \quad K = .194 \quad J = .93 \quad f_s = 6630 \quad f_c = 152$$

Formulas for Columns.

$$f_c = P/A (n-1)A_s$$

$$f_c = N/A (n-1)A_s M/I (n-1)I_s$$

$$I (n-1)I_s = bh^3/12 (n-1)pbha^3$$

$$M = C_F a P$$

$$p = A_s/bd$$

$$K = \sqrt{2pn - (pn)^2} - pn$$

$$J = 1 - K/3$$

$$f_s = M/A_s J d$$

$$v = V/b J d$$

$$u = v/E_o J d$$

Shear at Col. Head					Punching Shear				
Col. Head					Col. Head				
1a.	Circum.	t	Ct	U	Dia.	Circum.	t	Ct	U
6" □	38"	7.5"	3420	14.3	55'	173'	13.0"	2700	25
6" □	38"	8.0	3650	39.7	5.5	173	13.5	2800	67
6" □	38"	8.0	3650	39.7	5.5	173	13.5	2800	67
6" □	38"	8.0	3650	39.7	5.5	173	13.5	2800	67
6" □	16'	24.0	4608	23.0	4'-0" □	16.0	24.0	4608	110
6" □	38'	7.5	3420	14.3	5.5'	173'	13.0'	2700	25
6" □	38	8.0	3650	39.7	5.5'	173	13.5	2800	67
6" □	38	8.0	3650	39.7	5.5	173	13.5	2800	67
6" □	38	8.0	3650	39.7	5.5	173	13.5	2800	67
6" □	14	24.0	4030	41.0	3.6	14.0	24.0	4030	130
5x875	33'	7.5	2970	17.7	4.25	133.7	13.0	2040	32.4
5x875	33'	8.0	3170	49.0	4.25	133.7	13.5	2170	86.5
5x875	33'	8.0	3170	49.0	4.25	133.7	13.5	2170	86.5
5x875	33'	8.0	3170	49.0	4.25	133.7	13.5	2170	86.5
8" □	14.67	24.0	4230	17.3	3.07	14.67	24.0	4230	79.5
					29x23	56	7.5	420	910
					29x23	56	8.0	448	1230
					29x23	56	8.0	448	1230
					29x23	56	8.0	448	1230
					44x34	13'	19.0	2960	89.6
					29x23	56	7.5	420	910
					29x23	56	8.0	448	1230
					29x23	56	8.0	448	1230
					29x23	56	8.0	448	1230
					44x34	13'	19.0	2960	89.6



Analysis of Stairs.

Consider the stairs as a beam whose length is equal to the horizontal projection. When they rested on stringers one of the stringers was analyzed. When they were poured as a slab a section one foot wide was analyzed.

Stairs Col. 43-64

Basement to first floor.

Length=6'-1" Total w/ft. width=228#

M=12700"# A_s /ft.width=.368 in. sq.

p=.0041 K=.294 J=.902 f_s =50000 f_c =140

First floor to landing.

Length=10' Total w/ft. width=228#

M=34200"# A /ft. width=.546 in.sq.

p=.00607 K=.345 J=.885 f_s =9400 f_c =330

Stairs Col.15-54.

Stairs rest on two stringers.

Basement to first floor.

Length=14.5' Total w=353# M=111200"# A_s =.638 in.sq.

p=.00709 K=.367 J=.878 f_s =26200 f_c =1020

First to second floor.

Length=16.5' W=12841# M=320000"# A_s =3.16 in.sq.

p=.0439 K=.508 J=.831 f_s =13500 f_c =2340

Entrance Stairs.

Length=9' Total w/ft.width=145#

M=20000"# A /ft.width=.334 sq.in.

p=.0039 K=.289 J=.903 f_s =13300 f_c =254

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS.

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In this analysis we have tried to deal directly with the building as we found it, than try to find out the specifications for which it was designed. Being somewhat familiar with the actual construction we were able to analyze some parts as they exist, which appear to be different from the original design. But we are not familiar with all points of the construction. There may have been some addition to the reinforcing, which, if it had been introduced would have reduced the apparent over-stress. But as we had the very latest plans to work from, we had to analyze the various parts as they were given.

In some instances we have had to take values that were more or less guess work. The irregular panels and the beams supporting stairs and elevator were especially hard to figure. One of the elevator beams for instance, had ten different loads coming to it, varying from full uniform to concentrated. It is very hard to tell just what part of the load of a panel, having beams on three sides and the reinforcing running into all of them, will be carried by each beam. Only by actual measurements can the stresses in some of these beams be determined. Some of the beams which we figured the moment for as simple beams, were fixed

be commended.

The beams are over-stressed 50 to 200 percent in both concrete and steel. There is a very decided lack of negative steel over the supports for the continuous beams, and the stresses in both concrete and steel at the center of the beam are far above the safe values of 16,000 for f_s and f_c ^{650 for} which are recommended by most authorities.

In fact according to our figures, the whole structures shows very high stresses and a very decided lack of reinforcing steel. The beams which show the greatest over-stresses, though, are partially supported by the steel sash windows, and some of them are supported in whole or part by brick walls. Taking some of these points into consideration, would tend to make the building safer by lowering the stresses in both steel and concrete. These beams should have been designed so as to carry their load without any support from underneath. Therefore in our analysis, we were not allowed to consider these points.

Of the whole building, the columns and stairs alone, seem to have been designed to carry their load with perfect safety. In fact the analysis has proven very disappointing. The building seemed to be an ideal construction and very simple to build, but unless there is something decidedly wrong with out work it can not be considered safe with more than 100 or 150 lbs. live load on its floors.

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