

Granger, Merton Elwood
Central N. Y.

No. 74. reg

Application for Membership

April 15, 1921

To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon House, Washington, D. C.

SIR:

I hereby apply for Membership in the American Institute of Architects.

I hereby certify that the following statements are correct:

Name Merton Elwood Granger

Address 474 South Salina St. Syracuse N.Y.
[Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth Syracuse, New York

Graduate in architecture Syracuse Univ. 1909
[If required in your case, give name of institutions and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture.....
[If required in your case, attach evidence.]

Passed the qualifying examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or the examinations for the first class of the Ecole des Beaux Arts.....
[If required in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate.]

If an Associate of a Chapter of the Institute, give name of chapter Central New York

If practicing architect, firm name Merton Elwood Granger

Have been in practice 10 years

If draughtsman, employed by.....
[State number of years.]

Collegiate and office training 10 yrs

I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and the "Circular of Advice Relative to Principles of Professional Practice and Canons of Ethics," and I agree, if elected, honorably to maintain them.

I further agree, if elected to membership in the American Institute of Architects, that if at any time my membership shall cease, either by my own resignation or by any action taken by the Institute, I will then, by that fact, relinquish all rights of any character that I may have acquired by reason of such membership in the property, real or personal, of the American Institute of Architects, and of the Chapter of the Institute of which I am then a member.

Merton Granger
[Signature of Applicant.]

I hereby certify that the signer of this application was duly elected an Associate of the Central New York
[For use when the applicant is an Associate.]

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date 1918
[Insert date of election to chapter.]

William V. Madden Secretary.
Central New York Chapter, A. I. A.

We, the undersigned members of the American Institute of Architects, have carefully examined the foregoing statement and believe it to be correct. We know the applicant personally, and consider that his work and practice warrant his admission to Membership.

- (1) Alfred Taylor
- (2) Wm. Kaelber
- (3) William V. Madden

Prelim. Fee	<u>\$5.00 4/21/21</u>
Initiation	<u>remitted</u>
Unan. End.	<u>no</u>
Exhibits	<u>not required</u>
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[The signatures of three Institute members are here required unless the applicant has the unanimous endorsement of his Chapter, in which case certification to that effect should be made above by the Secretary. Unanimous endorsement is that endorsement in which each Institute member of the Chapter had an opportunity to express himself by letter ballot either for or against the member proposed. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

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JAMES R. DAY
Chancellor

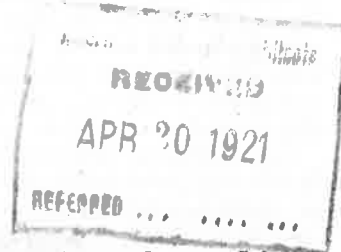
GEORGE A. PARKER
Dean

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April 18th, 1921.

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Secy.,
American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon,
Washington, D. C.



My dear Mr. Kemper:

In connection with the enclosed application I am glad to certify that Mr. Granger is a graduate of this school of the class of 1909. He made a good record in his college work and has given a good account of himself in the profession. He is practicing in Syracuse and doing work of a high order.

Very truly yours,

Frederick W. Revels

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON HOUSE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

WILLIAM STANLEY PARKER, SECRETARY
D. EVERETT WAID, TREASURER
EDWARD C. KEMPER, EXECUTIVE SECY

June 1, 1921.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTE:

The names of the following applicants may come before the Board of Directors or its Executive Committee for action on their admission to the Institute, and if elected, the applicants will be assigned to the Chapters indicated:

- ALABAMA CHAPTER: Harrington Barlow.
- BOSTON CHAPTER: Lewis B. Abbott, Gordon Allen, Roland Webster Baldrey, Niels Hjalmar Larsen, Winthrop D. Parker, George E. Parsons, Roger G. Rand, James H. Ritchie, John Pickering Thomas.
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- CENTRAL NEW YORK CHAPTER: Edward J. Berg, Merton Elwood Granger.
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- SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER: John Frederic Murphy.
- TENNESSEE CHAPTER: George Awsumb, George D. Waller.
- TOLEDO CHAPTER: Otto H. Hohly.
- UTAH CHAPTER: Fred W. Hodgson.
- VIRGINIA CHAPTER: George Van Leeuwen.
- WISCONSIN CHAPTER: Harry Wm. Carr, Reubens Frederick Clas, Edward John Law, Robert A. Messmer, Walter F. Neumann, Urban F. Peacock, John S. Shepherd.

This man is all right
W. Taylor

You are invited, as directed in the By-Laws, to send privileged communications before July 1, 1921, on the eligibility of the candidates, for the information and guidance of the Members of the Board of Directors in their final ballot. No applicant will be finally passed upon should any Chapter request within the thirty day period an extension of time for purpose of investigation.

Yours very truly,
WILLIAM STANLEY PARKER,
Secretary.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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July 1, 1921.

My dear Mr. Granger:-

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in the American Institute of Architects, effective July 1, 1921.

You have been assigned to the Central New York Chapter as an Institute member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter has been so notified.

The enclosed statement for dues should receive early attention, as the engrossed Certificate of Membership is not sent until dues for the first year have been paid. No charge has been made for the first half of the current year.

May I take this opportunity to say that the office of the Secretary at the Octagon is for the service of every Institute member. Should the occasion arise we shall be glad to give you our best cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Merton Elwood Granger,
474 South Salina Street,
Syracuse, New York.

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Enclosure.

COPY TO

FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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January 15, 1936.

Dear Mr. Granger:

This will acknowledge your remittance of \$ 15.00, which has been credited on account of your dues in default.

The Board appreciates that there may be difficulty in making cash payment in full at this time, and desires to aid you as far as it can in retaining your membership in the Institute.

There are two ways by which your good standing may be restored: First, by payment of the indebtedness in full.

To help in the first way, the Treasurer is authorized to accept your note in payment of the balance of the indebtedness. Therefore, we are sending herewith a note, without interest, payable to the Institute on or before December 31, 1936.

If you will sign and return this note to the Treasurer of the Institute, at The Octagon, on or before January 31, 1936 - your membership will be preserved and your good standing as to unpaid dues restored as of January 1, 1936.

To help in the second way, the Board is authorized to remit dues in exceptional instances and for what it deems adequate cause. If you desire to apply for a remission of the balance of your dues, the note enclosed should be executed and returned on or before January 31st - accompanied by a letter addressed to the Board of Directors and stating the circumstances under which remission of the balance of your dues is requested.

If the remission is granted by the Board, you will be placed in good standing as of January 1, 1936 with respect to dues in default, and the note will be returned to you.

By direction of the Treasurer.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Treasurer.

Mr. Merton Elwood Granger, A.I.A.,
474 South Salina Street,
Syracuse, New York.

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Encl.

COPY TO

FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

MERTON ELWOOD GRANGER
ARCHITECT 474 SO. SALINA STREET
SYRACUSE, NEW YORK
MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
REGISTERED ARCHITECT



January 25
1936

The American Institute Of Architects
The Octagon, Washington, D. C.

Att: Mr. Kemper

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is note signed as per your letter
of January 15th. Thank you for this opportunity
to pay up.

Sincerely,

Merton E. Granger
Merton E. Granger

PAID
note # 400 = 1/31/36

*Paid dues in default
to 12-31-36*

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 14, 1936.

Dear Mr. Granger:

The Central New York Chapter of The Institute advises that your membership in The Institute and the Chapter should be terminated for non-payment of Chapter dues, although the Chapter does not wish to lose your membership. This is also true for The Institute.

However, you will appreciate that The Institute Board must support the Chapter in matters of this kind.

We, therefore, write to let you know that unless your account with the Chapter can be squared prior to the next meeting of The Institute Board or Executive Committee your membership in both The Institute and the Central New York Chapter will probably be terminated.

It is hoped very much that you will not allow this to happen, that you will square your account with the Chapter, and that we will hear from the Chapter Secretary or Treasurer to that effect - so that your membership may be maintained in good standing.

By direction of The Secretary.

Sincerely,

Executive Secretary.

ECK*B

Mr. Merton E. Granger, A. I. A.,
474 South Salina Street,
Syracuse, New York.

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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January 26, 1937

Dear Mr. Granger:

With further reference to our letter to you of December 14th, we have been advised by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Central New York Chapter that you have taken care of your indebtedness for chapter dues.

We are glad to hear of this action on your part to preserve your membership in The Institute and the chapter.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

K/g

Mr. Merton E. Granger, A.I.A.,
474 South Salina Street,
Syracuse, N. Y.

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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October 1, 1937

Dear Mr. Granger:

For your convenience, we send this letter of reminder concerning your note for \$ 40.00 covering Institute dues in arrears, and now past due.

The Institute books will be closed on December 31, 1937.

We hope that it will be convenient for you to take care of this obligation prior to that date.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Treasurer

K:E

Mr. Morton E. Granger
474 South Salina Street
Syracuse, New York.

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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October 5, 1938.

Dear Mr. Granger:-

For your convenience, we send this letter of reminder concerning your note of \$40.00 covering Institute dues in arrears, and now past due.

We must report to The Institute Board concerning outstanding notes at its meetings in Washington on November 14th.

We hope that it will be convenient for you to take care of this obligation prior to that date.

Sincerely yours,

I.M

Assistant Treasurer.

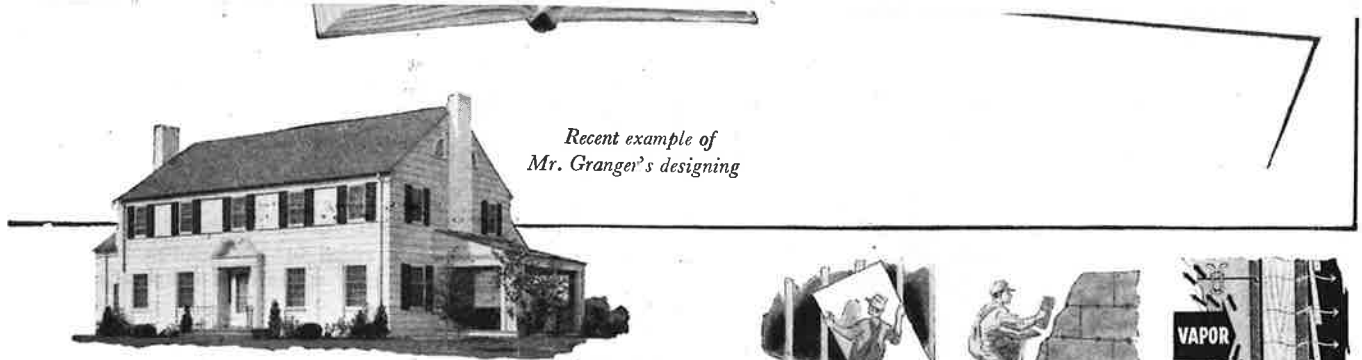
Mr. Merton E. Granger,
474 South Salina Street,
Syracuse, N.Y.

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Granger

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If Mr. Granger subscribed to The Architectural Forum, is he not giving support towards meeting the expense of the publication illustrating his work?



Recent example of Mr. Granger's designing

MERTON E. GRANGER, A. I. A., president of the Syracuse, N. Y. Society of Architects, is already at work on plans for the post-war homes his clients will build.

"Tomorrow's homes," Mr. Granger says, "will present new problems in construction that must be frankly faced by the architect. One is the problem of vapor condensation within walls due to new methods of air-conditioning and heat control.

"I believe that the Approved Insulite Wall of Protection presents an effective answer to this problem. Certainly, the Insulite type of construction will effectively guard against moisture within walls. Insulite has anticipated this postwar problem by developing this wall before the need for it was widespread."

Write for complete technical data on the Approved Insulite Wall of Protection. The coupon will bring it by return mail.



- On outer-walls, Insulite Bildrite Sheathing builds a wind-proofed, weather-tight wall of high insulation efficiency, superior bracing strength, a wall free from open cracks and knotholes.
- On inner-walls, Insulite Sealed Lok-Joint Lath builds a second wall of insulation, a rigid plastering surface. Lath marks are eliminated, plaster cracks reduced to a minimum.
- Sealed Lok-Joint Lath, with asphalt barrier against the studs, retards vapor travel. Bildrite Sheathing, being permeable to vapor, permits what vapor escapes the barrier to pass outside.

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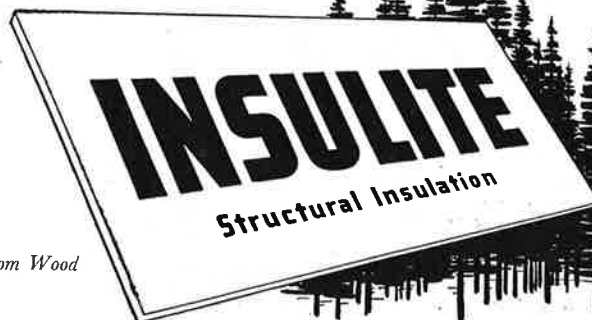
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says

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Prominent Architect
Syracuse, New York



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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

306 Dennison Bld.
Syracuse 13202

Application for Membership Emeritus

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS:

I wish to apply for Membership Emeritus in The Institute for the following reasons:

Check the appropriate reason

- I am more than 70 years of age.
- I am 65 years of age, retired, and not engaged in the practice of architecture.
- I am unable to engage in the practice of architecture.

I have been in good standing in The Institute and the Central N.Y. Chapter chapter for 15 successive years or more immediately preceding the date of this application.

Date November 25, 19 69

Merton E. Granger

(APPLICANT'S FULL SIGNATURE IN INK)

MERTON E. GRANGER, AIA

Mr. Granger has been a member, in good standing, since 1921. C. Rhinehart
Exec. Dir.
CNY Chapter, AIA

AIA Membership since July 1921

The applicant may supplement the above reasons in writing below or on sheets which he shall attach to this application. Under exceptional conditions and circumstances, The Board of Directors may lessen the period of good standing but not the requirements as checked above.

12/4/69 *etc. 1921*
pd. *age 87*



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

December 8, 1969

Mr. Merton E. Granger, AIA
300 Dennison Building
Syracuse, New York 13202

Dear Mr. Granger:

It gives me pleasure to inform you that I have elected you a Member Emeritus of the AIA as of December 5, 1969.

In addition, I wish to express my great appreciation for your many years of support of the work and projects undertaken by the AIA towards creating better architecture and a better environment.

I hope that your interest in the AIA and your chapter will continue, even though you are now relieved of dues payments to both groups.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Preston M. Bolton, FAIA

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THE CENTRAL NEW YORK CHAPTER
OF
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
Chapter Incorporated 1954

January 23, 1975

Mrs. Maureen Marx - Director
Membership Procedures
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

SUBJECT: Membership Changes

- ME
- Deceased: 1. J. Kenneth Baird, AIA 258 Genesee Str., Utica, N.Y. 12-11-74
Baldwin Memorial sent in
2. Merton E. Granger, AIA 438 Empire Bldg., Syracuse, N.Y. 11-26-74
Baldwin Memorial being prepared
3. Arthur F. Minkler, AIA 48 Lincoln Ave. Binghamton, N.Y. 12-14-74
Baldwin Memorial being prepared

Moved but not transferred:

1. Samuel Anthony, Jr. 34 Dryden Rd. Whitehall - New Castle, Del. 19720
Address Change
2. Andrew N. Fiori, AIA 65 Oak Str. - New Canaan, Conn. 06840
Address Change

- Resigned: 1. James A. King, Jr., AIA 419 Ontario Ave. - Lakeland, N.Y. 13209
Effective 1-1-75

Charles E. Rhinehart
Executive Director
Central New York Chapter, AIA

JAN 27 1975

GRANGER,
Merton E.

NO. _____

**BALDWIN MEMORIAL ARCHIVE
of American Architects**

Name: Merton Elwood Granger of (address) 1509 So. Geddes Str. - Syracuse, New York

Born: Wayland, N.Y. 1882 at Died: Nov. 26, 1974 at Syracuse, N.Y.

Parents: Unknown and

Married: Muriel Millard of unknown on unknown

Children: Mrs. Clayton H. Hale, Sr. Millard S. Granger

Education: Syracuse University college of Architecture - BA - 1909

Training; and practice as Principal: (Firm Names, Places, Dates, Specialization)

1917 Formed firm of Merton E. Granger, Architect
1944 Formed firm of Granger & Gillespie

Professional Memberships and Service: (Institute and Chapter Activities; Teaching)

A member of the American Institute of Architects
A member of the Central New York Chapter, AIA and New York State Association of Architects
Co-founder and twice president of the Syracuse Society of Architects, AIA
a member of the Institute and Chapter from 1921 and the NYSAA from 1924. SSA 1930
Charter member of the Tri-Regional Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute
Other Affiliations: (Religious, Fraternal, Political, Social)
Member of the Code Committee of the city of Syracuse and Syracuse Board of Assessors
Member of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution
Member and communicant of St. Paul's Cathedral (Episcopal)
Member of the design selection committee for the Syracuse War Memorial
Public Service: (Civil and Military; Community, State, National)

Unknown

Published Material: (Articles and Addresses; Executed Work; Biographical Data)

Unknown

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General Background: (Personal Characteristics and Accomplishments; Interests, Digressions, Travels, Friendships, Side-lights, Honors, and Awards.)

Mr. Granger was a valued member of the Syracuse Society and the Central New York Chapter. He was presented a Certificate of Service award by the Society, in 1960, in recognition of his years of service to the community and the profession.

He received an Award of Appreciation from the Construction Specifications Institute for distinguished service to the CSI.

He was noted for his fine detailing of the interior Gothic woodwork of St. Paul's Cathedral and noted for his expertise in library design, a major part of the design work of his firm.

Mr. Granger was blessed with a long and fruitful life and was still in daily practice at the age of 91, perhaps the State's oldest practicing architect.

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Compiled by: Charles E. Rhinehart

Date: June 4, 1975

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