

(9.) That the Bill should make provision for the preservation of our historical buildings and relics, and that the Town Planning Commission be given the power to decide which of these buildings are considered proper for preservation, in which case the owners shall not be permitted to remove, alter, or destroy without special permission from the Commission.

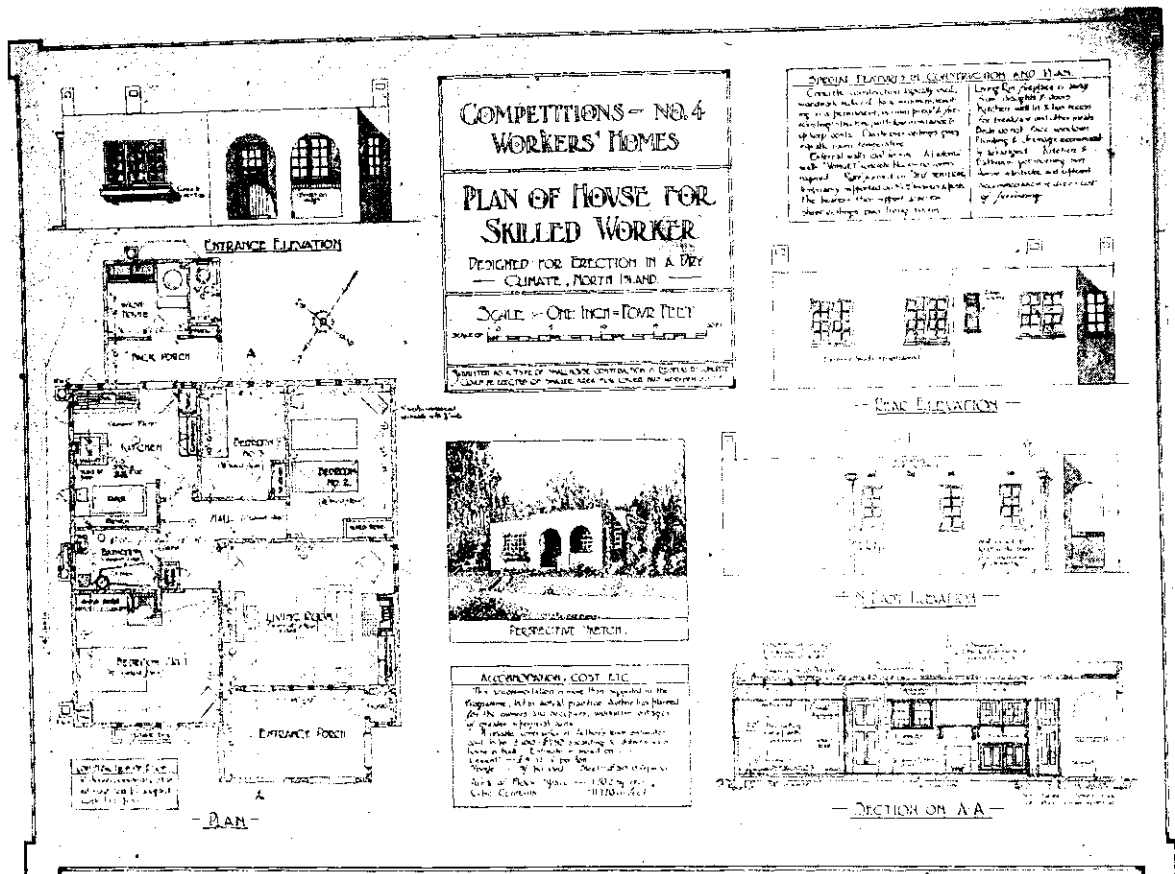
(10.) That the Conference be recommended to appoint this committee a permanent one to further the passage of the proposed Bill through Parlia-

The committee, however, favours the retention of the safeguard provided by the Bill where 10 per centum of the ratepayers may demand a poll.

C. J. PARR,  
Chairman.

Town Hall, Wellington, 22nd May, 1919.

The author of the Bill, the Hon. G. W. Russell, presided over the Conference when the Committee's report was presented. After a lengthy and very interesting discussion the report was accepted with an



Workers' Homes Competition at the Town Planning Conference. Silver medal awarded to Reg. C. Ford, of Wanganui, for class "C" Workers' Homes.

ment; Mr C. J. Parr, M.P., Mr H. F. Von Haast, and Mr C. E. Wheeler to be convenors.

(11.) Clause 12 (2) of the Bill: "Resolved, That the words "exceeding ten acres in extent" be struck out, the committee being of opinion that an area of 10 acres is much too large to sub-divide without the approval of the Commission; and further, that every sub-division should be subject to approval.

(12.) Clause 20: That the words "not exceeding £5000" be struck out, the committee being of opinion that a town planning scheme having the public health, comfort, and amenity for its object, and after passing through all stages of inquiry and investigation as required by the Act, should not necessitate a poll of the ratepayers.

in addition that the betterment tax be payable in money or land, and the Minister expressed general concurrence with the recommendations, though he was not prepared to limit the Central Board exactly to the personnel proposed by the Committee, as he considered the Counties Conference and Municipal Association should have representation.

On the most important point stressed by the Committee, that of the necessity for placing at the head of the movement a Government Town Planner of outstanding experience, the Minister gave a most gratifying assurance to the Conference.

"It will be my duty to bring the resolutions of the Town Planning Conference before Cabinet," said