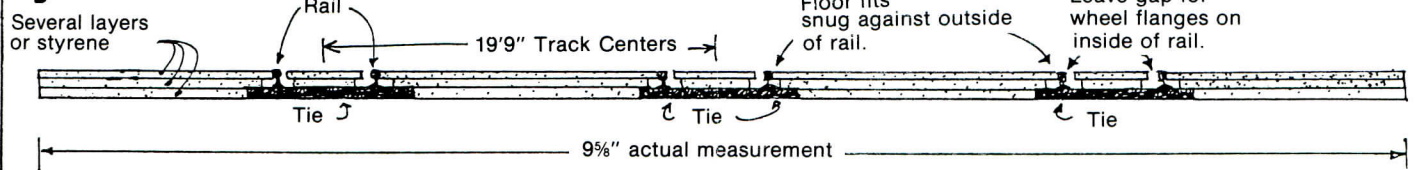
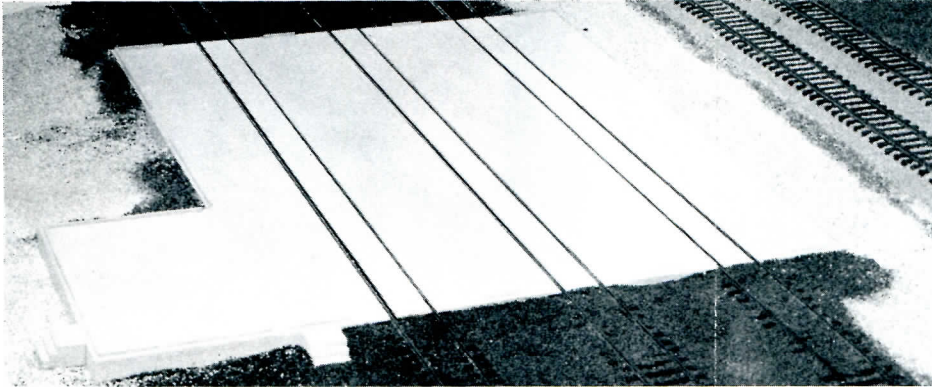


Fig. 6**Fig. 7**

did the walls, using the reinforcing strips that measure $4\frac{5}{8}$ " long. You should now have two roof sections of four panels per section. Lay your cemented roof sections aside to dry.

The Floor

We provide no flooring with this kit as there are so many variations possible because of the number of tracks you may or may not care to use and, since the flooring should be even with the top of the railhead, difficulty is encountered because of the different codes of rail and different heights of ties and roadbeds various modelers prefer. We will give you some general guidelines, however.

The floor of the main building measures $9\frac{5}{8}$ " wide by 11" long. We suggest you construct this floor in layers of sheet styrene or balsa wood. Remember that these steel buildings sit *on* a concrete floor, the sides of which will be visible to the eye. A reviewer once noted that he couldn't make the floor of one of our kits fit inside the walls. The floor does not fit *inside* the walls, the walls sit *on* the floor.

The track should be laid on a scale 19'9" between the center line of one track to the center line of the track in the next bay, assuming you're using two consecutive bays. Naturally, if you're only using the two outside doors and not the center, then the track centers would be doubled. Build up layers of balsa or styrene until you build the floor surface up even with the top of the railheads. Paint it a concrete color and remove the paint from the railhead and inside surface where electrical contact

with the wheels will be made. **Figure 6** shows a head-on sketch of the track and built-up layers of styrene or balsa.

Add the Walls

Now, cement the side walls to the end walls and place them on the floor. Mark where the inside of the wall panel rests against the floor. Along this mark cement a strip of $1/16$ " x $1/16$ " styrene or balsa (not provided in kit) using liquid plastic cement or ACC cement. This small bit of bracing gives the wall a bit more stability and will hold the wall panels in place without your cementing them to the floor. You will appreciate this point when you derail a car inside the building and have to retrieve it - or when the interior superdetails you ordered eight months ago finally come in and you want to install them!

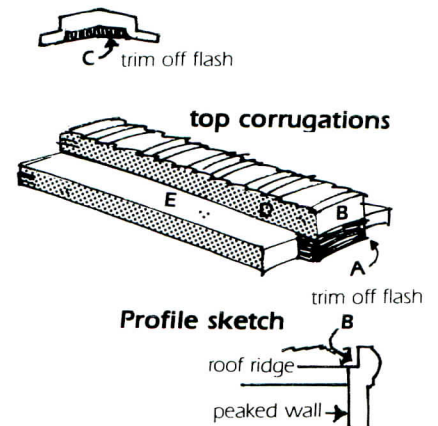
The add-on office is next - if you choose to add it. This is comprised of the peaked wall (Fig. 3) you have left over, two side wall pieces and the two roof pieces. On the back of the roof pieces you'll note a scribe line. Using a sharp blade, cut the roof panels along this line and discard the larger portion. The two smaller portions make up the office roof. On the back of the wall panels you'll find two horizontal scribed lines. Scribe along the upper line, discarding the lower portion. Now make the openings you need for whatever doors and window units you select. *Again, do not cement the doors and windows into place yet.* Cement the office walls together and, after they've dried, cement them to the main building at the point you've selected.

The Roof - again!

There are five roof ridge castings in this kit. Four are used on the roof of the main building and the other for the office roof. The roof ridge pieces are corrugated across the top to match the corrugations in the roof panels. Due to mold and casting requirements, both ends of the roof ridge pieces have flash that must be trimmed away.

Fig. 8

Roof Ridge/not to scale



(Here is a simplified sketch of the roof ridge piece(s). **(A)** is white flash that must be trimmed away so that the end of the roof ridge piece **(B)** will rest on the inside "flange" of the peaked end walls. At the opposite end of the roof ridge there is also a piece of flash **(C)** that must be removed so that the roof ridge support (the $4\frac{5}{8}$ " long white piece) will fit in the underside channel of the roof ridge pieces where it will be cemented for strength. Butt the two **(C)** ends of the two roof ridge pieces up against each other, and cement this support piece in place.

Fig. 9