GERMAN FUNCTIONALISM & CIAM

Function / Functionalism a vague term... all architecture has function/use/purpose

<u>Vernacular Functionalism</u> - the real functionalism of conventional building...

Anti-Modern = Heimat Movement, Goethe's Garden House in Weimar cf. Hellerau Garden City Housing by Riemerschmid, Tessenow & Muthesius P. Schmitthenner's "Stuttgart School": houses, teaching, books

Rational or Machine Functionalism – a new Style, or "Neues Bauen", based on rationality, abstraction, modern & healthy living, Le Corbusier, Bauhaus industrial design, Flat Roof

Weissenhof Housing Development, Stuttgart, 1927 (Mies, Corb, Gropius etc.)
 H.&W. Luckhardt, Am Rupenhorn Houses, Berlin-Westend, 1927

* "International Style" exhibit, catalogue & book

"Modern Architecture: International Exhibition" = MoMA Exhibit #15, Feb.-Mar. 1932. Travels to **Pgh.**, L.A., Philly, Worcester, Buffalo, etc. H.R. Hitchcock & P. Johnson, <u>International Style: Architecture Since 1922.</u> 3 main principles of "Int'l Style": 1) volume; 2) regularity; 3) Anti-ornament

Programmatic & Use Functionalism - Against style & aesthetics; 'Autonomous Architecture"; Post-Humanism; Rational Determinism; Economic Functionalism; Dictatorship of the Machine Building = Function x Economy"; Building systems as biological analogy (not form); New age, materials, principles; Radical

Hannes Meyer (1889-1954) (See essay "Building," 1928)

<u>ABC</u> & <u>G</u> magazines & Constructivist groups, 1924 (p.264)

(Includes: El Lissitzky, M. Stam, H. Schmidt)

Coop Room, 1926

Petersschule Project, Meyer, Basel, 1926 (p.199)

League of Nations Competition, Geneva, Switz., 1926 (p.263)

Entries by: H. Meyer, R. Neutra, Le Corbusier, Piacentini

Le Corbusier entry -- elementarism (p.263)

CIAM (Int'l Congress of Modern Architecture) organized and run by Le Corbusier and Sigfried Giedon... membership is a who's who of modernists: Meetings:

- 1) 1928, La Sarraz, Switzerland, "Preparatory Mtg."
- 2) 1929, Frankfurt, "Housing of Existence Minimum"
- 3) 1930, Brussels, "Rational Construction Systems"
- 4) 1933, Athens (Patris II), "The Functional City"
- 5) 1937, Paris, "Housing & Leisure"

Organic Functionalism – Arch. as biological system, integrated organs, not square
Hugo Häring (see essay "House as Organic Structure," 1932)
Gut Garkau (Cow Barn), Lubeck, Germany, 1924
Bauwelthaus, H. Jarchow, 1924

- * <u>Dynamic Functionalism</u> -- machine + organic; energy + matter; engineer + nature Erich Mendelsohn (1887-1953) (see essay "Dynamics & Function," 1923) Mossehaus (Newspaper Office), Berlin, 1922
- Schocken Department Store, Chemnitz, 1926-29 (p.262)

<u>Expressionist Functionalism</u> - literal & psychic function of color, glass, expression Bruno Taut, Siedlung Eichkamp, Berlin, 1919-27

"Colorful Magdeburg," 1920-4

Own House, Berlin-Dahlewitz, 1926











