other factors than floor area alone on capacity is well taken and to be remembered.

I am sure that not even the authors (neither of whom can be characterized properly as a modest man) would call this a great book. I will not even call it a good book, because that adjective is out of place when applied to a writing of this sort. But it is a useful book, and its usefulness, like that of the type of building it describes, is not of a temporary kind.—William M. Randall, U. S. Merchant Marine Academy, King's Point, N.Y.

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