GLOSSARY OF ARCHITECTURAL TERMS

ambulatory The space between the interior building (cella) and

the row of columns (colonnade).

cella The interior building built to house the statue of

the deity to whom the temple was dedicated.

colonnade The outside row of support columns.

cornice Facing stone which covers the roof rafters.

dentil range Small rectangular blocks set in a row (like teeth,

hence its name) on the cornice in the Ionic order

only.

entablature Section of the roof frame which rests on the columns

(includes the architrave, frieze, and cornice).

fluting Vertical grooves, or channels, on the columns.

metope Plate covering the space between the beams for the

roof. Metopes contain most of the relief carving

on the temple. Used only in the Doric order.

pediment The triangular shelf at each end of the roof on

which the statuary rests.

portico The porch at either end of the building.

stylobate The top step, actually a stone platform, on which

the building rests.

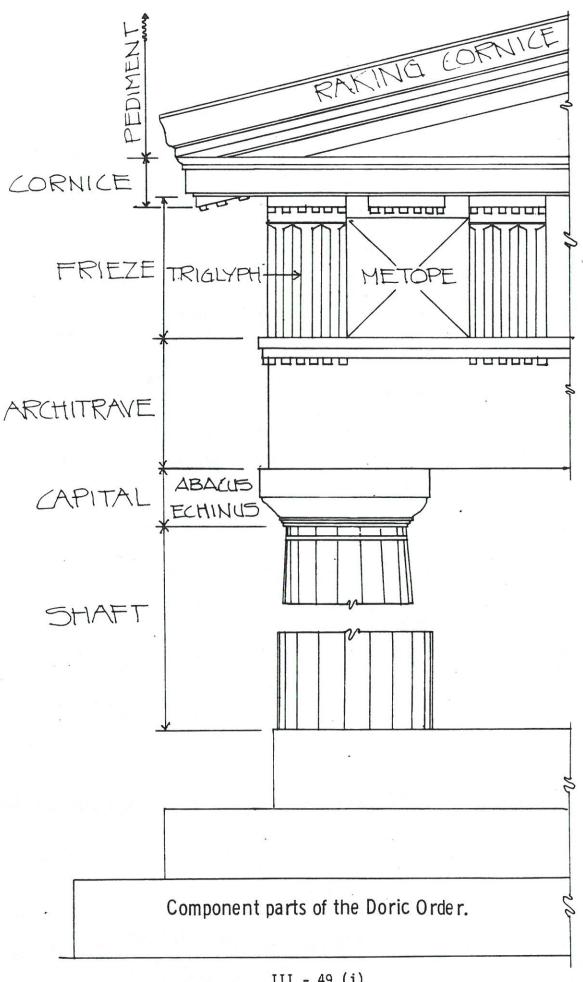
treasury Room at the interior end of the cella to house

religious paraphernalia and sometimes treasure.

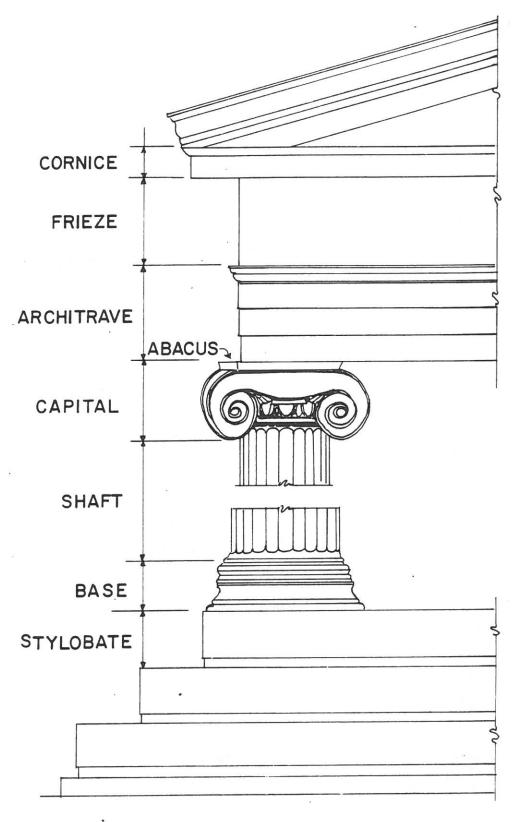
tryglyph The plate covering the ends of the roof beams and

having vertical fluting; used only in the Doric

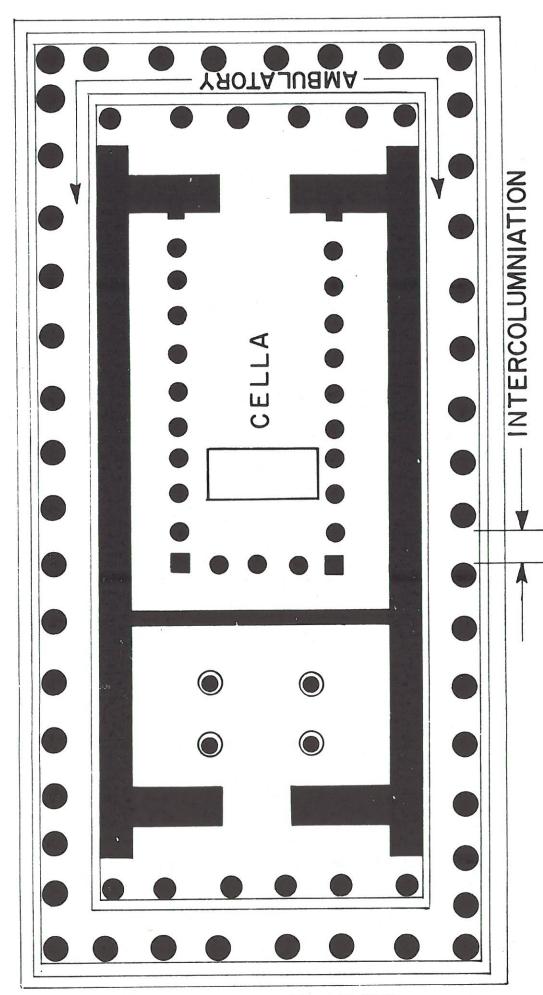
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COMPONENT PARTS OF THE IONIC ORDER



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