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(229) American Stove Company: Brochure new automatic clock control six-burner, top-of-stove arrangement Magic Chef gas range; one-piece turret top, 43"x231/2"; two super duty burners; waist-high Swing-Out broiler; oven 18" wide, 20" deep, 14" high, Fiberglas insulated; excellent contemporary design.

(230) Day & Night Manufacturing Company: Practical 8-page brochure, domestic, commercial hot water heaters; specification tables, sizing recommendations, sketches, photographs full line heaters; good line sensibly presented.

(56) Continental Water Heater Company: Concise folder gas storage water heater; installation, specification data; good working information rating line.

(235) Los Angeles Water Softener Company: Brochure Los Angeles Sudmaster Water Softener; well designed, 7 sizes.


(173) Rheem Manufacturing Company: Brochure Rheem water heaters, softeners, heating units,cooling appliances; well designed, good engineering.

(177) Southern California Edison Company: Well illustrated, idea-packed booklet electricity in house plans; full information electric appliances; one of best sources information.

(238) Sierra Water Softener Company: Sierios of sierra standard and portable water softeners; tables of specifications, capacities, prices.

(64) A. O. Smith Corporation: Color brochure Smithway Permaglas lined water heaters; glass fused to steel; no rust, corrosion; sizes, styles, specifications.

(175) Department of Water & Power: Handbook of residential wiring equipment.

(57) Department of Water & Power: Brochure, folders, data electric appliances; good source of information on all-electric houses; rate information available.

(66) Sparkler Manufacturing Company: Folder new multiple scale for architects; combines 10 scales without lift or sliding instrument from drawing; scales calibrated 1/6", 1/4" and 1/8" to one foot; instrument is 35"x10"; valuable for correcting spacing shapes, rafters, studs, joists, etc.

(243) William H. Mortimer: Folder Hancel Tri-Vision camera; viewer; for showing architectural details full color, three dimensions; camera takes good photographs, sharp; reasonably priced.

(244) Rapidine, Inc.: Folder new 18/2 1/4" and 1/4" in 8 sizes. Ready available; reasonable cost; suggestions for kitchen layouts.

(245) Charles E. Barnes & Son: Brochure new Barnes Wire-Hwazy baseboard wiring arrangement; provides wiring facilities, anchors, partitions, ground, electrical outlets; foot switches eliminate wall switches; good product.

(246) Roberts Glo-Switch Company: Brochure Glo-Switch electric light switch; news light in translucent housing; simple baseboard; outlets anywhere; one foot switches eliminate wall switches; good product.

(72) Square D Company: Full color folder Square D multibreaker; guards electrical systems against overload; short circuits; details wiring to use of multi-breakers; good.

CABINETS, COUNTER TOPS

(239) Boro Wood Products Company: Folders hardwood white enameled kitchen cabinets, battleship tops, sinks; well constructed, practical designs, installation data; swatches of colors, patterns.

(119) Formica Insulation Company: Folder Formica cabinet tops; colorful, durable, sanitary; does not chip, crack, break; not injured by alcohol, acids, ordinary alkalies; withstands 275 degrees Fahrenheit; wide color range.

(240) Kinney Brothers: Fully illustrated, well presented brochure Elgin Steel Kitchens; contemporary design, rust proof, pre-formed heavy gauge steel construction, heavy insulated doors, roller bearing drawers, chrome handles, pulls in sub-bases; sketches of all models.

(241) Kinney Brothers: Detailed 8-page folder XL kitchen; well designed, kilo-dried hardwoods; inlaid linoleum tops, or without tops; simple hardware, Folder gives all technical data, wide selection sink bowls available.

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(242) The A. Lietz Company: Folder Lietz Basswood-Balsa drawing board; Basswood panel both faces, waterproof bonding, rigid frame, Balsa wood core, accurate 90° corners; based on aircraft engineering; 1/3 usual weight.

(243) Northern California Electrical Bureau: Handbook of residential wiring design; one of best planning, technical data.

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FLOOR COVERINGS

(73) Congoleum-Nairn, Inc.: Catalog linoleum, asphalt tile and floor products; index to uses, specification, installation data; swatches of colors, patterns.

(121) Republic Steel Corporation-The use of Republic Enduro Stainless Steel in hospital equipment is contained in a brochure of 24 pages. Well illustrated, documented, including laboratory corrosion data. Belongs in the files of any architect doing hospital work, or work involving hospital or diet kitchen equipment.

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(247) California Rustic Redwood Company: Folder redwood fences, gates, garden structures; woven panel, nailed panel, melondico, split rail, pioneer mortised post fences.

(3) Celotex Corporation—Six-page full color presentation of Celotex Precision Engineered House. House is rather better than most contemporary efforts to solve housing problems by mass production. Worth seeing.

(4) Knaufewer Company—Thirty pages including report of the jury, elevations, plans, perspectives, and details of the prize winners of the Knaueur-New Pen Points Architectural Competition, "The Store Front of Tomorrow."

(5) Knauewer Company—Twenty-four page booklet with 31 perspective sketches of well-designed sales-building store fronts.


(75) Owens-Illinois Glass Company: Manual planned lighting in school class­rooms; data brightness ratios, reflections, bilateral lighting, fenestration; features Insulux Glass Block construction.

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Painting & Personality by Alschuler and Hattwick: Two volumes. University of Chicago Press.

Parents who take child raising seriously often find the task to be a series of pedestrian intersections with traffic lights blinking and changing at such a rate that, to make it through the heavy traffic with as little injury as possible to their offspring, they close their eyes, lower their heads and make a mad dash for it.

Psychologists have found, and are continuing to find, concrete ways in helping the pedestrian parent in his passage to the other side; and, the latest parental St. Christopher is Painting & Personality by Alschuler and Hattwick.

The authors of this very fine and cautious study have endeavored to show through a child's preference for a particular color, a type of brush stroke, and his use of line and form, his outstanding characteristics and personality traits. The results of this search among children aged two to five years, have been carefully tabulated and grouped into readable form. Apart from being a solid contribution to the field of Child Psychology, the case histories are masterpieces of understatement and give more facts to the growing problem of parents and their inadequate understanding of the world in which a child lives.

Painting & Personality is no Baedeker for raising children, but, as with Gesell's First Five Years Of Life, the book is a help to
parents who are striving for healthy and normal home environments. The studies and observations are made of children who present the conflicts and frustrations which the psychologists, with clinical impartiality, have selected to prove their points in finding out why children react as they do. It is a book which tends to answer generally, the specific problems of a child. In reading these two volumes one is impressed with the patient and painstaking data hunt which Alschuler and Hattwick began back in the middle thirties to find the relationship of a child’s painting and drawing to his personality and behavior pattern. From parents who look upon the psychologist as a sort of mental Bendix washing machine to straighten out their problem children, to the parents who look upon psychology as an auxiliary aid, this is a valid and understandable contribution.

It took several years before the authors’ facts and data began to take definite form. Between six and eight nursery schools, public and private, were observed. Children who showed distinct preference for a particular color seemed to fall into groups that displayed similar tendencies and characteristics. Children who used vertical brush strokes as against those who preferred horizontal strokes showed marked differences. Those children who filled in their paintings and those who painted in outline also differed from each other in play and attitude. And, as a result of these findings the psychologists conclude that, a child who prefers red to other colors reacts more freely and is less concerned with outside influences. If he emphasizes blue, he shows a controlled reaction rather than free emotional expression. However, if the emphasis is on yellow he is more dependent, and emotionally he reflects the infantile stage. In his selection of green over the other colors, he indicates a controlled behavior pattern that is either repressed or more adaptable to outside surroundings. With the color black he is probably repressed despite the well adapted overt behavior. And, you lucky parents, if your son or daughter displays a preference for orange, he or she has balance, good behavior, initiative, drive... in short, a chip off old Gibraltar.

Many of us do not take enough interest in the picture splashing and pencil scribbling of our children. If we are to encourage rather than inhibit children’s free creative potentialities, we must see the paintings and drawings through the eyes of the children, and, as far as possible, get an understanding of their feelings at the time they produced them. The details of the children’s drawings are emphasized in proportion to the intensity with which they have been experienced. The child has never thought of his painting as the representation of an object, because the child has painted something he has been feeling keenly about, and, it is doubtful if he could put into words just what it was he had felt the need to express. Throughout the book, the emphasis upon color selection and the manner in which the painting was executed is clinical and the esthetic potentialities are not given the attention they deserve. A child is labeled sensitive or extrovert, as the case may be, and because of the many phases this study covers, there was ample opportunity to include observations upon the gift some of the children obviously had for painting. The authors did not entirely ignore the esthetic factor, but, because they held strictly to the scientific approach the talent of the children was interpreted in terms of social adjustment and placed in categories that did not hold room for art as a preference. The children who displayed interest in blocks and materials along with their paintings were studied for the possibility of their being future engineers, scientists, etc.

In compiling their findings, the authors discovered that the reasons for the predominances of abstract painting and drawing among the two to five year olds, was that it was the most spontaneous and primitive of all emotions. Enlarging upon the idea, they said that abstract or pre-representative paintings and drawings are more expressive of inner feeling than are the representational products, because the very process of representation involves a conscious awareness of outside stimuli and a reaction to those stimuli rather than a direct expression of self.

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These are samples of the outer influences that affect the paintings and drawings of the children. The child's world and his response to it places heavy demands upon conscientious parents. Although Alschuler and Hattwick do not claim to have solved all the problems, Painting & Personality can give one a pretty good idea of what to look for in a child and how to interpret the tensions and conflicts from which he might be suffering.

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Eric Johnston, spokesman for the Producers Association, announced a boycott to Britain of all American film as his answer to what has been described a "confiscatory tax." The step was unnecessarily harsh and was, in effect, a show-down of Hollywood versus a British Empire fighting for its life, on "austerity rations," and rapidly losing its dollar credits and world markets. These are not peals of sympathy; they are the undisputed facts. The Johnston move seems ill-advised, since time has shown that the 75% tax is a talking point, and there will be an eventual adjudication of the international film situation. If ever the people of Britain or the world had reason to
cry "Uncle Shylock" at Uncle Sam, they did when the film industry announced its boycott without waiting and watching and a little better timing. Profits for last year were the highest in motion picture history, and the film industry itself is source for the information that Great Britain represents the profit statement for almost two thirds or more of all American films made.

There are one or two additional points of interest in connection with the British film tax. Several film companies have announced and have acted upon employee cuts to save the loss in the British market.

One major film studio, for example, which employs three film producers at $2500 a week, and who have produced one film between them in the last twelve months, dismissed 500 employees during August "because of the uncertainty of film earnings in England." The company made about $17,000,000 in the British market last year. By their wholesale dismissal of 500 employees they stand to save some $400,000 a year, or about 2 1/2%. The salaries of the three producers just about come to $400,000. The facts seem to smirk for themselves. The other point which seems to deserve comment is the film industry's apparent unconcern with Britain's financial and industrial plight. This is not, I repeat, the occasion for tears for Britain. The salient fact is that fiscally the Pound Sterling is in a bad way, and the interdependence of nations and their economies and the need for a sensible one world economy seems obvious. Hollywood is being and will be very definitely affected by this British step. And film wage earners have already felt some of the first repercussions. It seems unreasonable that the waves of economy must hit them with such fury—and first.

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This quotation from Arnold Toynbee's six volume Study of History is only one of the many aspects of his discussion of the importance of the creative arts in their relation to his larger subject. The creative art of a civilization, according to Toynbee, begins in that mainstream which is the developing course of any civilization. When the civilization breaks down, an event that occurs relatively early in its history, art, like religion and politics, is driven into two contrary channels. archaism, a reversion to a dead and gone and to some extent mythical golden age, and futurism, the attempt to set up a new independent pattern free of both past and present. Archaism, Toynbee demonstrates, may by an alchemy of failure become futurism; and futurism, transcending lesser aims, may be transfigured so that it becomes a new means of creation.

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Our world continues to operate on the basis of a split personality within which the greater part of our effort is spent in the invention of frantic little devices by which we hope to conceal our real motives from ourselves. As long as we insist upon a political and social philosophy that looks for a world solution on a selfishly personal basis, we will be subject to the limitations and preconditions of innumerable and unaccountable factors of the individual environment. Actually, we are in the position of people who try to play a game with two left hands while indulging in the polite pretense that we must not notice the petty venalities we thrust upon ourselves. We seem morbidly committed to continue the uneasy and irritating business of ringing other people’s doorbells and running like hell until we find out whether we are to be rewarded with a cookie or a kick in the pants.

The whole emotional climate in which we exist seems more and more like the confused and mildly hallucinated world of childhood in which a whole pattern of necessary (if not always reasonable) discipline defied with what we can hardly call the winning naiveté of the very young. Probably our sense of guilt springs from an intuitive knowledge of what we are doing to ourselves, and not from any real understanding of what the results might be. In this peculiar kind of illness we cling to the completely unsupported conviction that that which we refuse to admit simply does not exist. We base an entire living approach on the thesis that in any controversy someone must be very right and someone must be very wrong—supposed of course that at all times we are the more likely to be the very right ones; and forgetting with a discouraging consistency the universal fact that the scale of man is pretty much the same measurement wherever man exists.

Skimming over the surface of public consciousness, we find ourselves morbidly attracted to graveyards so that we can with a great show of courage whistle ourselves past them. We are constantly embarrassed by an uneasy fiction that all is just a bad dream, and that daddy will dispel the demons when he pulls up the shades on some bright morning. We make fun of our hallucinations, of course, but we still see flying saucers and their frightening equivalents. While we soberly prepare to hold back the floods with little tin pails only lately used in the pretend play of our private sand-piles.

As we proceed from crisis to crisis we no longer have any measurement of effect and intensity; we struggle with an environment subject to the controls of reason through science, but used and misused by an emotional immaturity that comes straight from the madness of the nursery or the madness of the madhouse.

Man has no longer to decide how the wheels go around, or the chemicals combine, or structures construct. He must now decide, within his own enormously complicated, intransient, fascinatingly horrible and wonderful self, to think and feel within the larger area of selflessness.

And so, while we wait for the courage to build the strength for such a decision we scurry like frightened animals on the surface of an earth that is heaving beneath us, hoping and half believing that by some fortuitous magic we can escape the sense of being pursued, even though the pursuer turns out to be a mote in our own mind's eye.

Late news tells us that under “competent authorities” we are hollowing out caverns in the living rock and corridors measured in miles, to build a vast secret tomb so that we might continue atomic research in the bowels of the earth for reasons—Gold help us—of “military security.”

So we bury the God in man. For, having discovered it we only react with a sense of fright and suspicion, a sense of danger and power; completely forgetting, or refusing to admit, that it is not the power, but life itself which we most greatly fear.
JEWELRY
by
KEITH MONRO
I am particularly interested in the combination of ebony with precious and non-precious metals, perhaps because the extreme contrast in color values seems to suggest formal dress. Jewelry is strictly a "dress-up" affair. Also there is an extreme dimension, and an exciting one, to me, between the coldness, hardness and brightness of metal and the warmth, darkness and depth of ebony. I prefer striated surfaces in both materials, as the striation seems to accentuate the darkness of one and the brightness of the other. In terms of this light and dark contrast, I have experimented with oxidation of the metal and with the use of a matte black metallic paint. There are two functional demands jewelry seems to insist upon. One, the piece should be light enough in weight to be borne comfortably, and two, the scale of the piece should suggest this lightness and not overwhelm the physique of the wearer. In connection and in addition to these problems of mass and proportion, a piece in which negative space is an important part of the design seems pleasing and intelligent. Since most pieces are worn over a dress material, there is the excellent opportunity to throw the additional color of the dress out through the workings of the design.

Also in terms of space, a design that reaches out and encloses a chunk of space takes unto itself an enriching element, and if this space is further activated by mobile parts, the design becomes pure fun.

I have used, rather than pre-cut stones and gems, bits of stone, bone, and wood I find on the beach. These foundlings are already formed in terms of their resistance and surrender to natural elements and often need no more touch than to mount
them as reverently as their beauty demands. I have found that I can depend on certain beaches to yield very specialized types of forms, wood from this locality, slate from another place, perforated sculptures in the ground from still another spot, and so on.

In the struggle for fine proportion and yet strength, steel enters as a most happy material solution, and I have thus found an excellent use for my broken saw blades, whose rigidity and strength plus the rhythm of a fine toothed edge make their use most pleasant.

I am fascinated by the conception of a design in which there are many similar parts, which if done by machine, would all be exactly alike, but when done by hand have very subtle and surprising variations, so that a mechanical rhythm is broken in a very human and fallible fashion.
PROBLEM: To create complete working areas for a staff of 15 persons without increasing the total space of 1000 square feet that had proved inadequate for a staff of 8. It was also necessary to allow for later expansion to adjoining offices.

SOLUTION: The plan is built around a core that confines the best amount of general storage, wardrobe, lavatory, drinking fountain, mailing and wrapping section, and general files in one area accessible to everyone. This is in addition to the work area, file and storage space for each department.

The floor of the core section is covered in terra cotta linoleum, creating a corridor from the entrance door. All adjoining areas are covered in beige Klearflax, thus creating a division of space. Because of the lack of space, cabinets in many instances have been designed to form partitions. Although much of the furniture has the appearance of being built-in, it is so designed and constructed that it can be rearranged when additional space is available.

MATERIALS AND COLORS: Except for the main traffic area in terra cotta color linoleum, all offices are in beige Klearflax. The light soffit over the entrance door, and continuing into the reception room, is painted terra cotta. The fabric in the upholstered pieces in the reception room are apricot color. The perimeter wall of the whole, seen through the clear plate glass in the partitions, is warm beige with venetian blinds in the same color.

Some of the offices have been individualized only by the change of color or material on wall perpendicular to the perimeter, or with changes in fabrics, and draperies.

All furniture is in natural red birch. The partitions are in red birch, Louvrex glass, with clear plate to the ceiling.
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The HINGED DOOR UNIT is natural birch with saddle leather pulls. It has a center division with three adjustable wooden shelves on one side and two adjustable glass shelves on the other. The doors are hinged to give a continuous working surface with the bottom case. On its detachable ebony or walnut finished legs it may be used as bar or storage in the living room. It is suspended from the wall in the dining room as a bar, buffet, and storage unit. Suspended from the wall in den or study, it becomes a desk and storage or a twin desk. In the

office it may be used as a neat substitution for the usual table, supplying both table top work surface and storage for books and papers as well as offering the advantages of a quick clean-up before conferences or the arrival of visitors.

The SLIDING DOOR UNIT is the same size with the same materials and fittings, the main difference is the sliding doors covered with natural Pandanus cloth from the Philippines, the same tone as the natural birch cabinet. This may be used on the base or suspended from the wall. It furnishes generous storage in the office, living or dining room for bottles, glasses, books, papers, record albums and game equipment and keeps close at hand the unattractive but necessary items that are needed for comfortable living.
The two-pedestal executive desk, is in natural birch with walnut legs. This desk has a large work surface with four drawers and one file drawer. In spite of its size and storage capacity this desk has grace and lightness.

In the Knoll Textile Showroom, birch fabric bolts are used to demonstrate the relationship of the upholstery fabrics to the wood. Philippine native fabrics are displayed in the entrance hall of Knoll Textile Showroom.

Photographs by BETTY LUNQUIST
House in Kowloon, China

John Garden Campbell architect
Worley K. Wong designer
the entrance hall of this showroom.

This house was developed for a Chinese merchant and family of five children, to be located in the suburbs of the city of Kowloon, China. The site which was planned before the house, was divided into four main areas: an entrance court, a large recreation area and a quiet gardened area with tea pavilion (requested by owner) are all related by the open social terrace. The location of the social terrace at first seems quite open to the street view, but privacy has already been achieved by the enclosing wall. A requirement peculiar to this type of house in China is the high protecting wall, the gate keeper's kiosk and the parking area for guests' autos within the wall.

The fourth area is the ample service yard which provides a sheltered porch for a more pleasant working environment.

The general needs were for expansive entertaining, hence the following: play area with tennis court, swimming pool, the combined bath house and caterer's kitchen by the social terrace; the traditionally large reception hall, the bar off the living room, and the large dining room. To make the house more flexible, the children were provided with a wing of their own including a playdeck and enough space for their whole needs. The master bedroom was expanded to include a sunroom and private veranda. The upper living room provides a privacy for family gatherings and also served as the children's living room when the parents are entertaining and vice versa.

The materials used are in recognition of the unusually humid climatic conditions and partly in deference to Chinese heritage: the deep overhangs and extensive verandas, the decorative tile grille, the dominance of masonry, the green tile roof and restrained use of wood, the main framework of reinforced concrete.
By now everyone is aware that the trend in designs for living relate the house to the outdoor area more and more intimately, but too seldom is this concept applied to the matter of bringing the outside into the house.

Located on a three acre site, the house is placed with southeasterly exposure for the kitchen and south-westerly exposure for the living room which will be shaded by tremendous oak trees from the summer sun. The client, a professional artist, desired to have his studio facing to the north and slightly west and two children's bedrooms are also on the north and east side of the house.

Early in the planning stages the landscape architect, Mr. Thomas D. Church, suggested that the very slight slope of the site be graded level to terraces for better use as play areas or garden terraces and the change of level was incorporated within the house to permit a long sloping roof to be in one plane and still give normal ceiling heights in all rooms. To provide for a change in grade of about three feet, a winding garden wall starts outside in the garden and winds into the house under the skylit area of the garden room up to the entry. This view looks back over the winding garden wall and shows the two levels of the house and the skylit roof of the garden room. To continue this curving masonry wall, the fireplace wall, which is the full width of the living room, curves too and continues outside to become a low end wall for the car port, and on its other side a high wall for the living room terrace.

As one approaches the entry under the deep overhang of the car port roof, there is a purposefully shaded atmosphere to create a contrast for the full effect one experiences next upon entering the house and looking down into the light filled garden room. Except for the studio, for which seclusion was sought, all rooms open into this skylit open area. The kitchen opens its full width so that it may seem part of or be closed off from the garden room, and is convenient to the outside terrace. Casual family meals or afternoon cokes for the kids may be easily served at the bar type counter in the kitchen area itself, while more formal dining can occur in the widened area of the garden room with the kitchen closed off. The owners' bedroom also opens its full width and permits a sense of spaciousness or seclusion as desired by closing the sliding doors. The bedrooms and living room also may be opened widely to or close off from the garden room by sliding doors. The living room, instead of attempting to be the great baronial hall which is a waning concept of pseudo-impressive luxury, is rather an intimate conversational sized room for an average family occasion.
part one

To design goods and architecture for mass production calls not only for engineers but also for artists. Art, the sphere of articulated intuition and feelings, is indispensable to a balanced life, indispensable to creative design.

The goal, however, is not to turn artists into designers or designers into artists; rather, to develop all the creative potentials of the student by producing a rhythm between his individual biological capacities, the requirements of society, and the industrial milieu. We do not believe in trying to graft onto industry a re-created classical craftsman, artist, or artisan, but rather to educate a well-rounded individual who can function as an integrator of art and industry.

Technology is today as much a part of life as is metabolism. Art, science, and technology are merely parts of the sphere of the modern industrial designer, sociological, biological, and psychological elements are equally important factors. Therefore, not the designer-specialist but the man in toto, with all his vitality and potentialities, is the desideratum in industry.

Hence, although technological training must never be lost to sight, the modern designer is most successful to the extent that he functions as a healthy individual within the group rather than as a "free" artist. Intellectual integration makes him more than a free artist. He learns, besides the mere aesthetic means of expression, that all media must be articulated through a knowledge of relationships between the technology of materials, the tools of production and the proposed function of the article to be designed. He learns about the philosophy of design through analysis of the economics, buying habits, and tastes of different countries. He is aware of the changes shaping the economy of the United States through its greatly increased production capacity. He observes the increasing importance of foreign trade and realizes the need for a re-valuation of the theory of "artificial obsolescence"—the frequent replacement of a product by a new "design" before the product has become technically obsolete—which has been the principal force behind the design and production in recent years. While "artificial obsolescence" may have been justified as an expediency to create prosperity in a self-sufficient country, this policy requires re-examination in relation to the growing competition of other export-conscious nations engaging in mass production.

As mass production increases, the role of the industrial designer becomes more and more important, in so far as he can look at an article dispassionately and be interested only in the optimum solution to the requirements of the problem. His contribution becomes greater in ratio to his ability to take an objective point of view of existing scientific, artistic, and technological processes as well as of the relationship of the product to the market—a point of view usually difficult for either the "pure" artist or the manufacturer.

A properly trained industrial designer, then, serves industry not only as an artist creating an attractive product but also as a specialist in mass production. He is interested in shape and color—the "looks" of the product—not for mere aesthetic values but also as they are related to such factors as Function. Lower production costs leading to increased distribution, Greater consumer acceptance of advanced trends, He is concerned, too, beyond mere aesthetic values, with such elements as: Form, Assembly, Strength, Size, Weight as these are related to such utilitarian matters as—Packaging, Distribution, Sale, Economy of operation, Long life, Ease of cleaning, Accessibility for service and repairs.

In a word, industrial design is the intelligent, practical and skilled associati of art with technology for the benefit of the people. The functional approach, which has contributed so much to our physical comfort, is today no longer a revolutionary principle but an absolute standard for the modern industrial designer.

This approach is fully achieved only when the designer is trained to think simultaneously in terms of product, manufacturing processes, use, and user.

A visit to a few plants using industrial designers is perhaps as practical a way as any for telling the story of art in industry.

When a product is designed for function by a sensitive artist trained as an industrial designer along the lines described, harmony and proportion, a well-balanced organic appearance, will follow naturally.

In the commercial arts, design for display is a major factor. Planning of exhibitions, expositions, fairs, store displays, and display windows is being increasingly based on the principles of stage design. Here the display is considered as an active principle, where sound, word, color, rhythm, and form are supported by motion.

An example is offered in the application to display purposes by the U. S. Gypsum Company of an object which I developed originally as "free" art. The device is a light display machine on which I worked between 1922 and 1930. This kinetic sculpture was constructed for automatic projection of hanging chiaroscuro (light-shadow) and luminous effects. It produces a great range of shadow interpenetrations and simultaneously intercepting patterns in a sequence of slow-flickering rhythm. The reflecting surfaces of the apparatus are discs made of polished metal slotted with regularly spaced perforations, and sheets of glass, celluloid, and screens of different materials. Some fifteen years after its completion, this machine was adapted as the foundation of a display by U. S. Gypsum. Thus is illustrated the thesis that a so-called "abstract" artwork may be first produced as the result of intuitive forces and then adapted to industrial use. Of course there are many more cases in which products must be designed to fit a predetermined need.

The multitudinous needs of industry have indeed created an unprecedented demand for industrial designers. We have compiled a list of some 240 industries at present utilizing such designers, and this list is by no means exhaustive. Products range from airplanes to wallpaper, from fountain pens to exposition architecture, and involve such varied materials as wood, metal, stone, glass, clay, plastics, fabrics, and paper products. Within twenty years all large plants will be doing experimental work in their own design laboratories and no manufacturer will attempt to operate without the services of design consultants. As scientific research has been accepted as an integral part of industry, so will industrial design fight its way to full recognition.

Educational and other cultural institutions like the New York Museum of Modern Art and the Chicago Institute of Design are in the forefront of this task. The Museum with its contemporary exhibitions sensitizes the public to the new expressions, shapes, and forms of the Atomic Age; the Institute continually develops such new forms by devising new uses for old materials and old and new functions for new materials. Stone, glass, and clay on the one hand and plywood and plastics on the other are offering challenging opportunities for the immediate future.
HOUSES IN A FACTORY

The house shown on the following pages was developed by Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation. It was designed by Henry Dreyfuss, industrial designed, and Edward L. Barnes, architect, in collaboration with top aircraft engineers. The initial development program concluded with the erection of a prototype of the two bedroom house in the factory.

Now an independent corporation, Southern California Homes has been organized for the purpose of putting the house into production. Southern California Homes, Inc. is presently working on tooling and production engineering. No delivery dates are known at present. No prices are quoted. However, all estimates indicate that the house will be competitive with conventional construction, and that Southern California Homes will be in production within the year.

The House is designed specifically for Southern California. It is built of an extraordinary material that is strong, light weight, and economical. The design takes every advantage of mass production techniques. Last and perhaps most important, it is planned with a real understanding of the living needs of the average American family.

HENRY DREYFUSS, DESIGNER
EDWARD L. BARNES, ARCHITECT
The basic economy of mass production lies in the repetitive manufacture of identical units. The important thing to realize about this design is that the "unit" is the house itself, not a panel or a brick or any one part of the house. In this way the house is like most other mass produced items—the car, the plane, the trailer or the fountain pen. The whole product is the "unit," and therefore the design can be completely functional in all its parts. Walls need not fall on 3'-0" module lines, windows can be freely spaced, closets can be the proper depth, the 5'-0" tub can exactly fit the bathroom, etc. etc. Once freed from the module or a rigid panel system, refinements to the fraction of an inch are possible. And in minimum planning such refinements are a great advantage. The automobile does not have identical front and rear doors. Neither does this house.

HOUSE PLAN—Space is the first requirement in the minimum house. The plan is the classic 2 bedroom plan; one major room in each corner, stacked plumbing, and a small central hall. The house is almost an exact square resulting in maximum inside area and minimum perimeter walls. The inherent efficiency of this arrangement is hard to beat.

In developing this part the housing experience of FHA, NHA, and other government agencies was of great assistance. New Living requirements were accepted as "musts," among them outdoor privacy, adequate storage (both indoor and outdoor) and laundry space. The kitchen was carefully studied, because 75% of a woman's working day is spent here. The room was dimensioned to fit the equipment exactly and made large enough for all its varied uses—ironing, study and child supervision as well as cooking and dishwashing. It is not an apartment kitchen, but a farm kitchen with 135 square feet of floor area, and approximately 105 cubic feet of storage. The working and cooking surfaces are concealed from the living room, while the dining area opens up to give a 27'-0" vista across the house.

photographs by Julius Schulman
In my opinion the long range solution to the American housing problem lies in prefabrication. No other country is so ready to provide both quality and quantity with mass production. This house is a step in that direction. It is not the ultimate. It is an example of what can be done, NOW in 1947.

The house is also an example of how mass production products must be designed. For on this house first rate minds in every field were focused. We as designers made every attempt to work WITH the company, not OVER them. Aircraft engineers, chemists, production designers—all contributed, and in a real sense governed the final design as much as we did. I cannot stress too strongly the benefits of our friendly collaboration with the company. This spirit is essential for all industrial design.

Prefabrication is not over the hump yet. It is still struggling for recognition. But soon prefabrication will stand on its own two feet and then endless improvements will come to the American standard of living.

Henry Dreyfuss
The principal dining space is in the kitchen in conformance with the prevailing preference shown in housing questionnaires. This gives the housewife a real place to work as well as maximum convenience for serving meals. Alternate dining space is possible in the patio in true California style, or in the living room next to the big window if guests are coming to dinner. But the kitchen with its flush modern equipment, its indirect lighting, and the table-height window sill is by no means an unattractive place to dine.

In the living room circulation was kept to one side and the fenestration arranged to permit alternative furnishing at either end of the room. It is a small room, yet with the 27'-0" vista to the dining area, and the 30'-0" vista through the big window to the patio, the space is open and not cramped. Both bedrooms provide space for reading and sitting, and both have ample closets. Again the fenestration and blank walls are designed to meet furnishing requirements, door swings, etc.

The bathroom is designed around the equipment. Notice the closet in addition to the medicine cabinet. Housing experience indicates bathroom storage to be most sadly neglected. The hot air heater is centrally located with outlets to the bathroom, kitchen, living room and hall.

SITE PLAN—Emphasis has been placed on the refinement and space attained within the house. After all, these are things which the ultimate consumer has to live with and they should be the first concern of the designer. It has been pointed out before that such refinement is possible when the whole house is the unit of production, not the parts which make up the house. However, such a "unit" design imposes real limitations on the amount of flexibility and variety possible. While it is doubtful whether the interior arrangement could be varied substantially from the classic two bedroom plan without losing space or costing more money; it is certainly true that variety is most desirable in any site plan. Orientation for sun, wind, and privacy will vary with every site. Some neighborhoods require the living room on the street, others accept it at the back of the lot. And who can deny the aesthetic advantage of variety in group site plans after the monotonous experience of war housing?

1—CONNECTION OF OUTSIDE WALL TO FOUNDATION

The house is erected on a simple concrete slab. Anchor bolts are located with due allowances for field tolerances. After erection the slab is covered with asphalt tile.

2—CORNER JOINT

The field joints are simple bolted connections. The ends of all panels are sealed with a channel, and this member serves as a frame to receive the bolts. No attempt was made to keep the various type of joints typical since partitions are designed in one position only. This considerably simplified the design of each joint.

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Because of these requirements site planning research was carried on concurrently with the house development. Studies were made of typical 50' and 60' lot arrangements. It was found that ample variety was possible without resorting to arbitrary tricks such as changing the roof pitch. Here are some of the variables:

DIFFERENT HOUSE MODELS—Two models are planned for the present—a two bedroom and a three bedroom. This, of course, is essential for any balanced community plan. In the future more models could be developed—deluxe designs as well as cheaper ones—just as is the practice in the automobile business. But for the present there are two models.

PATIO WALL—In how many housing projects has the landscape architect had to step in and provide screens for privacy? Landscape drawings today include working details for laundry yards, trellises, fences, and stone walls. With what money is left the landscape architect does what he can with shrubs and ground cover. In this design outdoor privacy is an integral part of the house design. The patio wall is detached from the house and can be freely placed in any position. Some sites may offer pleasant prospects, and then the wall can be used for a service yard, and the big living room window opened up to the view. Or a family can (continued on page 49)
The pieces shown in the Beatrice Wood exhibition, held at American House under the Craftsmen's Educational Council, were interesting for the great variety in the items shown.

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A third danger, still beneath the surface, lies dormant in the extensive collections of phonograph records that up to now have done so much to make listeners in our day the first time-and-space-free cosmopolitans of music. Blessed though it may be to have at one's elbow the entire works of Mozart, excepting only the church music, there is the danger that we may be setting up musical counterparts of Hadrian's archaic Greek statues in our garden. Already Hinde-mith's later compositions, using archaic techniques out of early German music, begin to seem like the imitations of Greek archaic sculpture which Hadrian in his enthusiasm preferred to the creative sculpture of his own generation. One observes this tendency everywhere among the younger composers. Mingled with the futurism of a Brahms, a Schoenberg, or a Bartok the study of archaic forms may produce an art transcending these archaic forms. The art of such composers transfigures and revolutionizes ancient forms, producing in a fresh language such creative amalgamations of styles from many periods as the Third Piano Concerto of Bartok, where one may easily find working together to a common purpose techniques of Mozart, Liszt, and Brahms. But there is a still higher level of creative freedom, beyond the "tour de force of bringing a dead language back to life", the utter freedom of creative resource within newly determined, newly classic limitations, without recourse to ancient formulas, which sets the Bartok Violin Concerto and the Schoenberg Third and Fourth Quartets among the chief musical masterpieces of that little period of historic time which comprises our only real knowledge of the musical art.

**HOUSE IN A FACTORY (Continued from Page 35)**

buy two walls and have two private courts. In group projects, the patio walls of adjoining houses may be hooked together providing a 30'-0" lot line screen, making a continuous architectural flow from house to house which unifies the community and at the same time gives each family privacy. On a single lot there are at least six obvious locations for this patio wall, but in group developments endless variations are possible.

**HOUSE ORIENTATION—Broad overhangs are provided for protection from the sun. There are two obvious orientations on the lot.**

1. The living room may face the street with the patio providing privacy if desired.
2. The kitchen may face the street with the living room at the back of the house.

In both cases both entrances are usable from the street. The guests need not file through the kitchen, nor the deliveries come through the living room. (In the three bedroom plan similar alternates are possible).

To sum up: In the most simple case—a house on a single lot— the owner has these choices. 2 house models, at least 6 locations for the patio wall, at least 2 orientations toward the street, at least 4 locations for the garage. In other words there are over 90 different combinations on the lot. It was felt that this was ample flexibility to make it possible to plan functionally for privacy, etc. and enough variation to satisfy the consumer demand for individuality. With proper site planning (full use of the patio wall, staggered houses, planting) a group project would be far from rigid in appearance.
from glossy to a sand finish. And of course the owner has the option of papering the flush inside walls, or choosing his own exterior color. In group developments the possibilities of color are most exciting.

CONSTRUCTION—The plumbing grid is prefabricated. The first section is installed before pouring the slab; the second section is installed afterwards. No attempt was made to short cut the codes. Access for repairs to all plumbing is provided from the kitchen side by removal of equipment. In a few minutes a plumber can be at work under ideal conditions.

It has been stated above that this house is not made up of small typical panels. Instead each and roof panel is made large scale wall and roof panels are made in the factory, and the number of field joints is kept to a minimum. The maximum size for panels was determined after study of handling and shipping limitations. The final design calls for a press large enough to bond 20'-9" panels in a single stamping. Of course, such large factory assemblies are only possible with light weight material. The result of this "large panel" construction is that whole walls are designed for their specific functions.

There are two types of joints in the house—the factory joint and the field joint. The factory joint is necessary since the aluminum is purchased most economically in narrow widths. Therefore if a wall panel 20'-0" long and 8'-0" high is to be pressed, a joint between the separate sheets of face material must be devised. As finally designed this joint is as follows:

The butt strip is first tacked in place. Then when the aluminum face material is bonded to the honeycomb core in the press, this butt strip is continuously glued to the two sheets of metal. The result is a precision joint, barely visible when painted.

Mention should be made of the roof. No roofing is applied in the field. Joints between panels are covered with simple snap-on cover strips. The slight roof pitch insures a quick run off and guarantees against standing water.

CONCLUSION—Space does not permit discussion of the many little details which please or plague the housewife in every house. The bookshelves, cove baseboards, flush doors and cabinets, casement windows, lighting fixtures, even the electric meter by the rear door, all were carefully studied for function and cost. Machine production principles were applied wherever possible.

The result of the precision detailing, together with the lightness of the structure and the spaciousness of the plan, is a kind of quality seldom seen in conventional buildings.

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GARDEN IN THE HOUSE

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The cross sectional view of the house illustrates the change in grade referred to above and the manner in which the single sloping roof provides ceiling heights suited to the plan requirements. On the south side, the eave line is low over the kitchen and bedroom, shading the windows from the hot summer sun, but permitting the winter sun to help warm the house.

The living room, being nearer the center line of the house, has by virtue of the rising roof, a slightly higher ceiling and the garden room higher still. The change in floor level brings the bed room ceilings back to a more normal height, but the continuance of roof sloping up gives the studio a much desired high ceiling.

Except for the doors, all glass is fixed and ventilation is accomplished by means of screened air passages through and under the projected window sills and by hinged ceiling panels which push up to permit ventilation over the windows out through screened ventilators on the under side of the eaves. Thus, all glass can be unobscured by the need for screens and become simple large areas of easily cleaned glass.

The skylight over the garden room was finally determined to be of obscure glass.

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