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DYLAN THOMAS, AARON COPLAND, AND EMERY ON ORNAMENTS

In the valley of tract houses he stood up like a mansion, the first poet since Yeats.

Opening him was like entering a crowded bus, among his words all sharp-elbowed strangers. Now the best of it goes hiking lonely up mountain ridges among the erect trunks and impeding branches of a direct genius.

He was Dylan Thomas, and I didn’t like his poetry or his looks. I was a long time, too, before liking Yeats. In a hazy moral sense I objected to the way these men played the poet. Henry James tells how Tennyson, when urged to recite after supper, put on the seer and the bard. I had the same feeling about Yeats and Thomas. As did many of us.

"The fascination of what’s difficult
Has dried the sap out of my veins, and rent
Spontaneous joy and natural content
Out of my heart...
"

All of us arrived there together with Yeats, sooner or later. The elder poet had learned to sing from his tower war songs of our age fiercer and with more of history in them than survives from the unremembered debris of our front pages. We read the headlines as if these were all that mattered: ground gained or lost, battlefield or gridiron. Thucydides, Julius Caesar, Ibn Khaldun, Ulysses Grant, and Churchill tell of diplomacy and warfare they witnessed and commanded. A thousand or a hundred thousand men die of persecution or in battle and are forgotten, but one poem is not. The enduring war was in Yeats and came out classical or furious.

What afterwards I most admire I come to usually first of all with an objection. Too charged! Too thick! Too dense! I being self-constituted a poet am as intolerant of other poets, the best especially, as musicians who amaze me are intolerant of the best music. I must break through my own idiom and then through and into the idiom fresh presented. These objections are finger touches working upon style; and for all the breadth of my taste in music I do not receive style easily. If I may seem overriding after my mind has been made up, take my word for it that I have already, in myself, lazy and unwilling to wrap around into a new shape, overcome the more obvious objections. Though I have hated him before, then I will fight for him.

Take this Dylan Thomas who died unexpectedly in New York on his way out West. He was coming to visit Stravinsky among others, and when before a concert Bob Craft told me he was dead, I could not feel the loss. It wasn’t mine yet. But with a sense of guilt in me that I couldn’t get rid of, I went back to read the poet.

"After the first death, there is no other," he had written. There were the poems on the shelf, looking as they had. I opened them, and he was

"... young and easy under the apple boughs
About the liltting house and happy as the grass was green...
And honored among wagons..."

I think it was that last image turned me the most. If I could still question whether there are not, after the first death, many others, as I question "Beauty is truth, truth beauty, these alone...", I could not question the authority of the wagons, among whom a young man, a boy then, he was already honoring with fresh vision, making weighty and massive the fundamentals of his origin. "Inscape," Gerald Manley Hopkins called this inward spiritual vision of the outward object.

Edith Sitwell tells of his voice, seeking poetic symbols of lions and blood to make us hear him read. Mollie Panter-Downs writes in The New Yorker of the London evening when, in his memory and to raise money for his wife and children, speeches were offered and sections of his works were recited. At the end, over a bare stage, from a record of his reading his own voice rang.

"And death shall have no dominion..."
It is after a poet is dead, then, that we know if death shall have
dominion over him. Whether his houseless poems will die or live.
Though there may be other deaths, he has survived this one. Then
gently, looking for no contradiction, we offer him the word, "Genius."

"Not for the proud man apart
From the raging moon I write
But for the lovers, their arms
Round the griefs of the ages,
Who pay no praise or wages
Nor heed my craft or art."

Formerly, while he was living, I rejected him; but his art does not
reject me. So I learn from his example the love of the creator.

This more than technique, this love makes final judgment among
artists. Is it a paradox to insist that the love cannot be without the
technique? From Rosamond Tuve I can learn in how many forms the
word "manna" appears in medieval and renaissance iconographic
imagery and in George Herbert. In Thomas it is "the stars falling
cold," "the drifting bread," and becomes "the hand folded air"
(how neatly, by the elimination of a hyphen, smoothing the rhythm
to enfold sacramental meanings), "the engulfing bride," "white
seed," all of these being also images of snow, "the lamb white
day." The long line made up of images, deft repetitions, displace­
ments of the vowel, shifting of the consonants, to admit by a swift
change of the immediate word more meanings. The syllabic accu­
racy, always varying the harmony, turning upon rhymes that do not
stop but lead. An eye that sees
"... the drifts of the thickets antlered like deer."

He had an ear out of Joyce and sometimes a little precious with
it, but oh, he could sing back to the thing seen, felt, known, the
word that in the motion of its meaning will not be forgotten,
"The force that through the green fuse drives the flower . . ."

For me one poet comes alive at one time. I cannot say this of
music, except sometimes at the piano or listening. But a poet is my
own kin to be argued with, subject to gossip and criticism, like my
nearest friends. I cannot read poetry out of a book. I must be the
poetry or not, as if I were the writing elbow of the man that made it.

I read of his psychological imagery that it was Freudian. My own
reading tells me of his religion, more nearly related to the equations
of Einstein than to the ceremony of churches. But his language re­
called the ceremonial tradition:
"Nothing I cared, in the lamb white days, that time would take me
Up to the swallow thronged loft by the shadow of my hand . . ."

In a generation of betrayals he betrayed no one, not even him­
self. If he had temporal, political opinions, he transformed them
into ritual. Poetry is a form of ritual, if one so reads it. It can also,
but that is not needed, entertain.

* * *

Aaron Copland has been caught between the poles of technique
and entertainment. In his first published composition, The Cat and
the Mouse, written at the age of nineteen, the two were joined. The
musical interest lay in the technique, the audience appeal in the
musical characterization of the cat and mouse. For every perform­
ance of the Piano Variations, his most concentrated keyboard work,
The Cat and the Mouse has been played a hundred times.

Copland is, to my knowledge, the solitary American who makes
his living by composing serious music. He is not naturally light, as
his piano blues testify, and never frivolous. His scores for motion
pictures have been consistently as grave as attractive, perfectly
resigned, balanced, finished as it were in low relief to maintain
their place in the onlooker's attention without distracting him, yet
so eloquently chased as to provide full musical enjoyment when
relieved from the obligatory restraint of non-distraction. He has set
standards of esthetic decency that are still remembered in Holly­
wood, while giving repeated examples of how the good thing can
be done creatively without concessions. Wherever he is and what­
his problems, his influence has been unfailingly benign, outgoing,
and magnanimous.

For several months, while discussing other topics, I have been
nibbling at the subject of Copland with little remarks that were both

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complimentary and unfair. The determination to take Copland seriously has had a good effect on the morale of some American composers. He is not too far beyond them in ability or method; they can talk his language. The difficulty has been to praise Copland highly without putting him on the same level, imaginatively, as Stravinsky or in the large frame of reference, conceptually, that is filled out by Schoenberg or by Ives. His admirers are inclined to set up standards that impose upon Copland, in relation to Stravinsky, a permanent one-two position; and those methods of Copland or Stravinsky which can be thus double-checked are imitated and overpraised. When either composer goes off the road and starts across country in a direction of his own, their mutual admirers emit a mutual gasp. This assumed equivalence not so much of style as of method safeguards the admirers against losing themselves among the nebulae of larger conceptual ideas: design that is too big, subject that is too pervasive; rhetoric too grandiose or too religious; and revolutionary attitudes that dispense with notational and harmonic directness, music that is to say which must be heard before it can be comprehended, then comprehended afresh when it is heard.

Copland’s own critical statements on various occasions have tended to follow the same line. He may be, like Hindemith with Gebrauchsmusik, the source of the attitude as well as its victim. He admires the conceptual composer and worries about him; he inclines to overvalue the composer who is as methodical as he is inspired, who does not like Schoenberg evolve the method after the inspiration but keeps in mind at all times the need of bridging in his music the gap between art and audience. Copland protests, like Hindemith, that in this regard his terminology has been applied too literally to his own work; that he is not an ambivalent composer; that he does not divide his creative workmanship between two audiences, present and potential, preparing for each a distinct sort of music.

Copland believes in a music which speaks the vernacular of its time and country. With this in mind he has studied and experimented with jazz and made himself a master of the folk-tunes of the larger Americas. The jazz component has become in his use, as it will whenever there is not as in Stravinsky’s jazz pieces a feeling of deliberate parody, abstruse and technically assimilated, a classical device, shaping harmony and counterpoint. The folk-tune component has remained romantic, only partially assimilated and for that reason easier to recognize. The two similarly vernacular sources beget unlike conclusions, again emphasizing the apparent ambivalence of his creative mind.

Copland is at his best when he is most direct, when his art speaks immediately to the listener. He can be long but not large. This may be to some extent the result of a natural affinity for those French disciplines, against which such a French composer as Messiaen has reacted violently by becoming, like Vincent D’Indy, both too long and too large. When Copland aims at largeness he loses personal force and becomes rhetorical; the vernacular component, though it may be imbedded in the writing, is lost in the technical effort. He has not yet gone the distance of Messiaen in trying to justify the rhetoric by supplying it with extra-musical explanations. On the contrary, his best music does just what it says: Quiet City, Billy the Kid, Rodeo, El Salon Mexico: whereas Messiaen’s, even at its best, is always announcing, like the lesser Mahler, what it wishes to do.

This explanation would be simple enough, and it is sometimes put forward to explain Copland’s popularity, but it does not explain his very best music: Music for the Theatre, the Piano Variations, the Piano Sonata, the song-cycle for voice and piano on poems by Emily Dickinson, or the settings of Old American Songs, an expert selection which in the handling of another composer would be trite or arty. In these Copland is a composer to be judged not by levels of expertise or even by comparative quality of imagination or conception: the way is his own. You can no more deny its style, its power, its simple complexity, its ability to move a reasonably accepting audience, than you can rate it by comparisons. This music has the style that makes style, not only by imitation but by robbery.
In Appalachian Spring all these strongest elements of Copland’s ability come together, though they do not quite fuse, to make a work of art that is at once abstract and self-explanatory, folkish and rhetorically moving, dry, economical, not uninhibited yet fully emotional, deserving the most careful study as a score yet thoroughly satisfying for a popular audience.

Copland has been called a composer of the city, an urban mind that goes out visiting in search of country notions and brings them home to work them up. In fact he is one of the least city-bred of American composers; except when he is trying to impress the big, formal audience or letting go some trifle for piano, his mind eschews the urban commonplace. He is more American, more continentally American, than Gershwin, almost entirely free of the Jewish European origins of melody that have made Gershwin a sentimental best-seller to the neglect of his most strikingly native American quality, his rhythm. Listen to any Gershwin night and observe how every derivative element of Gershwin has been sentimentally exaggerated, how bravura has been substituted for jazz. Listen to the old Gershwin-Whiteman record of Rhapsody in Blue and compare it with today’s best-selling versions. Gershwin was urban in the same way that our big cities are full of still unassimilated Europe. You don’t find this sort of thing in Copland; even the early Piano Trio, Vitebsk, is more American than Russian.

When I look at the picture of him at the front of the new biography by Arthur Berger* and see the long, stooped, ranging, melancholy shape of him I think of America, as I think of it in Abraham Lincoln. Or the lank leading men who ring the bell year after year at the motion picture boxoffice. Berger, by the way, has done a poor job of it, an exterior, critical, parsing job, with the wrong sort of praise and the wrong sort of reservations. Lawrence Morton disposed of the book in several pages of The Music Quarterly, offering at the same time a few thoughts that said more in understanding and genuine enthusiasm than the whole of Berger’s effort. Not that Berger fails entirely: he is too well drilled a critic to miss every point. This sort of book drags along after the composer’s reputation, leaving the creative problems unexplained.

Copland himself has done better, in his last book Music and Imagination. Why shouldn’t a composer be his own best critic? Copland doesn’t answer this. In his usual way he rambles along, speaking of one thing and commenting upon another, as if the natural facts of music were everlastingly interesting to look at but writing a book about them, or in this instance a set of Norton lectures for Harvard University,** isn’t particularly his job. He starts thinking aloud, covering a wide spread of information, stirs up good and bad personal opinions, lets them go, tries to mention favorably one way or another every composer he has met: but you get no absolute bang of confirmation or disagreement from his gentle flow. One doesn’t feel the incisive mind biting gritty reality or find the convinced prejudices, the great style of discourse of Stravinsky’s Musical Poetics.

As a matter of fact, except the economy and some related attitudes towards high-falutin superlatives of emotion and style, Copland and Stravinsky are utterly unlike. Stravinsky knows to an extraordinary degree exactly what he wants and has an extraordinary capacity for discovering new wants, for exploring new experiences one at a time and to the bottom.*** Copland knows what he likes and likes what he discovers and talks about it or turns it into music in his own agreeable and competent manner.

No one can predict what either of them will do next; each has produced a series of creations that are landmarks, surveyor’s stones in contemporary music. Both are optimists, to revive an abused word


**MUSIC AND IMAGINATION by Aaron Copland; Harvard University Press, Cambridge; 1952.

***More impressive to me than the music of Webern, at the rehearsal for our program of his music last spring, was the experience of watching Stravinsky, with the scores before him, take Webern in. Only once did he break concentration, to come over and ask whether, at the concert, we could not perform each piece twice.
that is nowadays messed up with wrong connotations; apart from their music, they can lead a crowd by sheer personality. They are distinct personalities: you can’t learn much about one from studying the other. The difference is in the vitality and compelling force of the mind when it gets down to creative attention.

Before Copland’s mind is always the question, which he has answered variously at different times: ‘‘how are we to make contact with this enormously enlarged potential audience, without sacrificing in any way the highest musical standards?’’ I doubt whether such a question has ever seriously troubled Stravinsky. Both are great showmen, but for Stravinsky the show must follow the latest turning of his art. For Copland there appears to be always the humbling consideration: is he big enough to swing it?

I have written so often and so furiously about the misuses of ornamentation in the older keyboard music that my readers may be happy to see at last a few words of praise. Bach’s Ornaments* by Walter Emery is a little book (150 pages) that reduces a big subject to practical size and scope. Emery is aware of other matters, such as altered rhythm, that bear on this subject but avoids discussing them because, first, he doesn’t believe the musical public is ready to receive them and, second, to try to take them up would double the size of his book. This is not the big book that may bring together in practical manner, some day, all that we know about performing the older music; but it is a very useful book for anyone who wishes to know how Bach’s ornaments should be read and what are the choices among various uses of these ornaments.

Emery is not dogmatic. He states his opinions, with alternative opinions where advisable, and leaves the decision to the reader, saying, very wisely, ‘‘The player should put aside all ideas of absolute rightness, and aim instead at an attainable goal—a consistent personal style of ornamentation that will serve, like his phrasing and tempi, to distinguish his Bach-playing from other people’s.’’ This is of course easier to say than do with Emery’s book in hand a good beginning may be made.

I was especially impressed by his solution of one puzzle that has troubled all of us, the various types of the shake. He finds four types: the Trill, a term he uses to describe the regular long or short shake from above with various styles of beginning and termination; the Pralltrill, a slightly delayed shake from the main tone, tied over from a preceding upper note that serves as appoggiatura and played slightly after the beat; the Schneller, a very quick ‘‘inverted mordent’’ from the main tone; and the Imperfect Trill—this is the one generally overlooked by experts on the subject—in which the beating of the shake is delayed according to the taste of the player, usually in a legato or cadential relationship. In a great part of modern playing the schneller has taken the place of all other types; in Chopin schnellers, written out in notes according to the instructions of C P E Bach, are placed side by side with regular shakes indicated by sign, a distinction almost universally disregarded by performers.

I cannot understand why, in these times when exact note playing has become a fetish of performance often to the exclusion of the music, there should still be so strong a resistance to learning how to read and interpret correctly the correct ornaments. The example of Landowska has encouraged many players to read with at least a fair attempt at correctness the indicated embellishments of Bach’s Goldberg Variations. No one nowadays would be able to get away with omitting these ornaments entirely, as the organist Rheinberger did in his edition, and few players would think of trying it. Yet the same player, when the ornament is not indicated, will read the notes as bare of the embellishments expected by the composer, indicated by conventional note-positions and note-relationships, as if this were all that was wanted.** I do not know of any text that makes a serious effort to explain the common usage of these unwritten conventions.

Mr. Emery has done a fine piece of work in reducing many examples, all from original sources, to a minimum of explanatory text, eschewing long quotations and putting his discussion in plain words. This book should be the preferred standard text to be used by teachers and performers who lack time, interest, or patience to master Dolmetsch’s treatise for themselves. It is certainly the best book that I know of for the use of students.


**For example a recent recording of the big set of variations, La Capricciosa, by Buschhude.
I have been asked to address you as a sculptor and it might therefore be appropriate if I began by trying to give you some idea of my own attitude to the art I practice. Why have I chosen to be a sculptor, or why has the art of sculpture chosen me as an exponent of its special aims? If I can answer that question satisfactorily I may be in a better position to answer some of the specific questions which are before this conference.

Some become sculptors because they like using their hands, or because they love particular materials, wood or stone, clay or metal and like working in those materials—that is they like the craft of sculpture—I do. But beyond this one is a sculptor because one has a special kind of sensibility for shapes and forms, in their solid physical actuality. I feel that I can best express myself, that I can best give outward form to certain inward feelings or ambitions by the manipulation of solid materials—wood, stone, or metal. The problems that arise in the manipulation of such materials, problems of mass and volume, of light in relation to form and of volume in relation to space, the problem of continually learning to grasp and understand form more completely in its full spatial reality, all these are problems that interest me as an artist and which I believe I can solve by cutting down, building up or welding together solid three-dimensional materials.

But what is my purpose in such activity? It might, of course, be merely a desire to amuse myself, to kill time or create a diversion. But then I should not find it necessary, as I do, to exhibit my sculpture publicly, to hope for its sale and for its permanent disposition either in a private house, a public building or an open site in a city. My desire for such a destination for my work shows that I am trying, not merely to express my own feelings or emotions for my own satisfaction, but also to communicate those feelings or emotions to my fellowmen. Sculpture, even more than painting (which generally speaking, is restricted to interiors) is a public art, and for that reason I am at once involved in those problems which we have met here to discuss—the relation of the artist to society—more particularly, the relation of the artist to the form of society which we have at this moment of history.

There have been periods—periods which we would like to regard as ideal prototypes of society—in which that relationship was simple. Society had a unified structure, whether communal or hierarchic, and the artist was a member of that society with a definite place and a definite function. There was a universal faith, and an accepted interplay of authority and function which left the artist with a defined role, and a secure position. Unfortunately our problems are not simplified in that way. We have a society which is fragmented, authority which resides in no certain place, and our function as artists is what we make it by our individual efforts. We live in a transitional age, between one economic structure of society which is in dissolution and another economic order of society which has not yet taken definite shape. As artists we do not know who is our master; we are individuals seeking patronage, sometimes from another individual, sometimes from an organization of individuals—a public corporation, a museum, an educational authority—sometimes from the State itself. This very diversity of patronage requires, on the part of the modern artist, an adaptability or agility that was not required of the artist in a unified society.

But that adaptability is always in a vertical direction, always within a particular craft. One of the features of our industrialized society is specialization—the division of labor. This tendency has affected the arts, so that a sculptor is expected to stick to his sculpture, a painter to his painting. This was not always so. In other ages—the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, to mention only European examples—the artist's talent was more general, and he would turn his hand, now to metalwork or jewelry, now to sculpture, now to painting or engraving. He might not be equally good in all these media, and it is possible, that we have discovered good reasons for confining our talents within narrower bounds. There are certainly painters who would never be capable of creating convincing works of art in three-dimensional forms, just as there are sculptors who could not convey the illusion of three-dimensional space on a two-dimensional surface. We know now that there are specific

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HILLSIDE HOUSE
by
Richard Neutra

This house on a pine-studded hillside was designed for a couple who wished also a guest apartment below. In spite of a seemingly rural character in the midst of the coniferous woods, the site is centrally urban. The sharply curving steep street permits only a restricted entrance both for cars to the two-car garage and the visitors' entrance. Guests can reach their apartment from a stair leading down the side-front. The upper story contours to the west; kitchen and dining area to the south, with the living quarters giving on a full front deck which widens toward the southwest corner. The northern living room wall of brick masonry contains the low, wide fireplace against which is backed a barbeque. To the east a windowed stair hall leads down to the private quarters containing three rooms and two baths.

The structural timber frame is largely enclosed by glass and redwood. The northern front is cement plaster. The interior color schemes have been governed by the redwood of the ceilings and the natural blond wood paneling which sets off various plastered areas.
1. View along balcony rail into tree tops and deck of small apartment below.

2. Entrance as seen from steep approach road. Carport at left. Living room balcony extending over bedroom below hangs within the branches of the pine forest.

3. View over living room couch and fireplace into outdoor dining-space at left and interior dining-space at right.

4. A wide view balcony surrounds the living quarters which open high up through sliding doors onto this pleasant extension of usable space.

5. Steep hillside residence as seen from garden below.
The house will be built on a site overlooking a bayou, a narrow strip of land, and then the Gulf of Mexico. In order to obtain the distant view of the Gulf as well as to get better breezes and relative freedom from the bugs and dampness, the house is built on stilts of wood construction. The house is in a rather isolated section of Siesta Key and it is thought of as an object set in space rather than growing out of the ground.

It is organized about a patio which is two stories high. Mezzanines connect the two separate areas, one devoted to sleeping, the other to living, dining, kitchen. There is a circular depressed area in the living room which serves as a focal point in lieu of a fireplace. Cushions are placed around the perimeter of the area. There is a band of small openings of glass placed so that one looks out of them when sitting in this area, thereby giving a private view.

The eagle's nest is slightly higher than the mezzanines and is so arranged that it appears to float in the void of the two-story part of the patio.

The hinged sections at the jalousies and patio are the most distinctive feature of the house. They are counterbalanced so that they form an overhang or hurricane shutter as necessary. The counterbalances will be painted crimson and royal blue with gold leaf at the ends of the cylinders thereby forming a kind of peacock plumage for the off-white of the house itself. These counterbalances are silhouetted against the sky like the sculpture on an Italian palace.

The exterior walls are rough-sawed cypress, the interior walls, doors, cabinets, built-in equipment are of walnut plywood; the ceiling, white plaster except the plywood vaulted section of the living room.
LEONARDO CREMONINI

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Leonardo Cremonini is a young Italian painter whose recent exhibitions in New York and Paris have attracted wide attention and interest. He still has to attain the same pre-eminence in his native land, and this may seem puzzling to us in view of the fact that so much new painting and sculpture has come out of Italy as to be labeled by some a new Italian Renaissance. But every rule has its exception and it is pleasant for us to think that we can discern original and fresh talent in Europe before it is accepted as such in its place of origin. Thus we owe special thanks to both Catherine Viviano, who has brought to our attention so many of the younger Italian artists of the Post-War era and gave us this winter the second exhibition of Cremonini's paintings in New York, and to Frank Perls who is introducing the artist to the West Coast. What then are the traits and elements which make Cremonini's work so provocative and timely and have caused his almost sudden rise to prominence and success? To me they lie foremost in the violence of his emotions and convictions and in his innate ability to control and to organize them into totally convincing and exhilarating plastic forms. This plastic imagination and faculty of his is as exceptional as the lucid control which he exercises over his strong initial emotions. Cremonini may get enthusiastic about such themes as a litter of washing hanging on a line to dry in the white glare of the noon-day sun, as bony carcasses of steers strung up like strange garlands in dark and cool places, gleaming like jewels in the night. Or he may paint a fishing boat with figures ready to harpoon a fish by the light of a lantern. These and other paintings of isolated seated figures with strange features and tremendously bony structures are totally unrealistic, totally convincing and alive—quite majestic and monumental. Everything is reduced and focused into wide, flat surfaces of gleaming color, of bold geometric patterns, of stark contrasts and of melting and ravishing textures. All is done with violence, but a lucid controlled violence of initial impact imbued with great tenderness and sensitivity—a typically Mediterranean trait, where nature is breathless with drama in the sun at high noon, where the words dolcezza, morbidezza and terribilita have not only a special flavor and meaning, but a sound that gives them a unique quality and beauty. These words exist only in the Italian language; they apply to much of what we admire in Italian classic art and they fit Cremonini's art particularly well among the younger painters of our time. Along these lines there is a definite link between his paintings and some of the great works of the early Renaissance. I cannot help thinking of the turbulent and yet so static battle representations of Paola Uccello and Piero della Francesca, of all that truly superhuman violence and cruel passion crystallized into infinitely precious and elegant details of form and design, rendered with ravishingly tender colors. Or of that strange picture of Constantine's Dream in his tent (in the great Arezzo fresco cycle) and of other painters of the school of Ferrara, of Mantegna and even at times of Caravaggio. Painters of violence softened by sweetness, of lucidity subduing passion, of light being as mysterious and enveloping as darkness. Painters who are mathematicians, geometricists, poets, musicians and savants, painters who create with a bold and soaring imagination out of a long and loving meditation and contemplation of life. Painters who are deeply emotional under a veneer of cool intelligence and with an infinite cunning to mold their inner visions into highly articulate and conclusive forms. Cremonini is that kind of a Mediterranean, with a temperament, an attitude toward life which is especially appealing in the monstrous and chaotic nonsense of our era. Instead of reflecting all that chaos, frustration and absence of real purpose and dedication which so many artists consider the sole possible purpose of their present activities, Cremonini brings us the exuberance and vitality of youth, a bold faith tempered by lucidity and tenderness and his enviable roots in a Latin and Hellenic mythology, a solace and comfort to mankind.
An industrial show was held in Tokyo in March under the auspices of the Industrial Arts Institute, a unique national organization in Japan, which is under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry for the Japanese government. The Institute not only makes a study of design, modern processing techniques and new materials for both industrial products and handicrafts but has as its object the purpose of joining industrial procedures with the arts. Further it tests the commodities for their physical and chemical properties and also devotes special studies to packaging.

The object of the exhibit was to submit these trial samples to the inspection of the general public in order to advance both the quality and design of the handicrafts as well as improving the industrial products. Accordingly, the entire exhibit displayed nothing but those objects resulting from research conducted by the Industrial Arts Institute although some of them were made with the cooperation of non-official manufacturers.

Fruit bowl of "Shunkai" lacquerware (left); the upper and central parts of the wood are dyed deep red, while the lower part is dyed yellow. "Bonbon" container for sweets (right) of "Shunkai" lacquerware; the wood is dyed deep red.
Above: Chair for dining table; both seat and back are of rattan.

Right: Soup bowl patterned after "wan" (Japanese traditional bowl.) It is lashed-work with black Japanese lacquer finish.

Left: Living area, a section of the Model Room designed with emphasis on Japanese modern. The table, the top of which is finished with traditional Japanese lacquer, can be folded. The cabinet is of paulownia wood. It is adapted from the "tansu," Japanese traditional chest of drawers.

DESIGN AND TECHNIQUE . . . JAPAN
Like many California homes, this house is to be located in the hills on a slope, with a distant view. There is a canyon at the rear. The street is above.

The problem was to get a maximum sense of space with a minimum area, without sacrificing absolute privacy for bedrooms and kitchen. Although the clients entertain, a dining room as such was not desired. Everyday eating would be on trays carried to the screen porch, the study, or even to the bedrooms. The dining space indicated can expand to accommodate large groups for dinner and yet be private from the living and music area afterward. When the study is in use, it can expand to include the dining area. Off the living side, there is a large view terrace. On the protected side of the house is a patio for cool or windy days. The kitchen is located to serve both dining and screen porch. Skylights are distributed in the central part of the house to introduce light areas at sculpture, at the piano, and in the work areas. West windows are avoided. There is a dumbwaiter from the garage above to the service space below, to carry supplies. By cutting and filling, a fairly level space is provided for the house without denying the physical character of the site.

The construction is wood frame, with a flat roof and ceiling plane. Walls and ceiling are plaster or drywall, with plaster exterior. Reflective type insulation is used in roof and exterior walls. Interior walls between living and sleeping areas are sound insulated. Visual baffle wall at entrance and fireplace is masonry. Acoustical treatment is provided to insure a good background for music. Glass walls are sliding metal doors, glass louvers and fixed glass. Floors are finished with carpet and vinyl tile. Most important is a well-coordinated relationship of colors on smooth and textured surfaces, to provide a background for pleasant living.
The return to favor of once depreciated periods in the history of art may provide significant clues to our contemporary state of mind. This selective ransacking through the works of other epochs can not be dismissed as mere whim of fashion. A deeper impulse is at work. Certain moments of art, seemingly distant from this push button age, elicit in us an intense rapport with realms or visions peculiarly appropriate to our modern temperament.

Take Byzantine art, for example. Once of prime concern only to a small ana of medievalists, it is received today with the kind of excrement that accompanies the discovery of an assiduous spirit. Something in addition to the two-dimensional surface or Byzantine art, to the rigorous spontaneity in which figures are presented (parroting much of modern art) is involved. It is as it Byzantine disregard for the reality or appearances satisfies an urturnamet (perhaps unconscious) need of modern man for an art unbound by the circumscribed limits of the vamunana. We recognize in the art of Byzantium a materialization of the spirit, satisfying thereby our recognition that imitation or appearances no longer conveys to us the "sense" or reality.

It is in this regard that I find myself responding to Ada Korsakaite's mosaic panels for the fourteen Stations of the Cross as more than a demonstration of the validity of a medium strangely out of favor today. Miss Korsakaite, a product of the revival of liturgical art at Immaculate Heart College in Los Angeles (Arts and Architecture, December 1953), has imbued her traditional theme with symbolic content rather than adhering to a naturalistic narrative. More accurately, she has transposed the tragic event at Calvary by balancing subtly the ordeal of Christ as an event with forms that, by accepting the limits of mosaic, become viable symbols transcending the simple description of an episode. Thus, though we follow each of the dramatic fourteen intervals—the Stations of the Cross—though we realize the event in the solemnity of pose and gesture, we are made aware of an internal drama that exists in ourselves.

It is worth noting that this series of panels came into being as a result of a project, not by a Church or a religiously imbued benefactor, but as part of the intelligent design program of a commercial organization. Miss Korsakaite, since July 1954, has been employed by The Mosaic Tile Company to put her creative talents to work in the field of clay tile design and application. For just as the art of non-naturalistic epochs exerts a strong attraction on our modern sensibility, it would seem that mosaic is due for an architectural revival. It is nonsense to encrust the clean, so often stark, walls and facades of so many modern buildings with an art that confines itself to mimicry, to meticulous representation. After all, the art of building consists of man-made abstractions. As art forms to complement the modern building, what is more appropriate than the re-integration of mosaic, and stained glass too, for that matter?

Frankly, I shall be looking with no little interest to developments in this mutual effort of Ada Korsakaite and The Mosaic Tile Company. Here is a field for artists to collaborate successfully with architects, with whom the initiative in such projects rests. May the boys at the drafting boards take notice!—JULES LANGSNER.

All of the ceramic mosaic work of Ada Korsakaite is to be made available through the Hollywood offices of The Mosaic Tile Company, sponsor of the project; and the Stations of the cross on the opposite page represent the first completed work.
In developing this house, where every room is a continuation of the outdoors, the structure is expanded to encompass much of the open space without becoming superfluous or extravagant and yet afford maximum privacy and cohesiveness of plan. The outline of the building is a square 50' x 50' with over half of the area designated as "outdoor" area within the structural framework. A screen wall of translucent glass across part of the front creates a patio for the master bedroom and bath, and translucent glass in the front door continues around the reflecting pool allowing a private but well lighted hall. The kitchen has access to two patios, one to the south and one to the north. The north patio is integral with the dining area and kitchen. Advantage is taken of a brick wall to the east by opening one bedroom and two baths to it. The rear wall is uninterrupted glass facing the mountains across a canyon.

The unusual heating system is a combination forced-air radiant floor type constructed by supporting a permanent pan for the slab by concrete blocks resting on a sub slab. Inexpensive corrugated steel is used for the pan. A forced air furnace pushes hot air into the space between the blocks and is drawn out around the perimeter of the floor by ducts cut into the slab.

The fireplace in the living area has a pyrex back, allowing fire to be seen and felt in the study without reducing the efficiency of the draw.
For the most part the objects shown were created for the purpose of exhibition at the Tenth Triennale in Milan.
THE NEW CASE STUDY HOUSE
The final plans for the new Case Study House are now nearing completion with most of the materials and finishes having been selected and equipment and fixtures soon to be specified.

The structural frame is to be all steel: 4'-H-13# columns and 5'-L-10# beams. Steel framing allows the use of 2"x6" ceiling joists; wood beams would have required 2"x10"s. The added cost for steel framing is thus offset by this saving in lumber. The fascia is also steel, a 5"-channel-6.7#. The roof deck will be flat and will be insulated with Fiberglas blanket; for added weather protection the new Fiberglas built-up composition roofing is specified.

The steel columns will be exposed throughout the structure to provide a rhythm in the visual expression. The panels between columns will be Davidson 6" clay block. This unit provides the advantages of kiln-fired masonry for the same price-in-place as concrete block. Throughout the house Glide aluminum framed sliding glass door units will open the rooms to the exterior thus visually extending them beyond their real limits with the gardens, courts, and terraces becoming roofless extensions of the interior.

In developing the plan the master bedroom wing has been revised so that the bath-dressing area is in the center, separating the sleeping and study sections. The study has been moved to the west end, the sleeping area to the east end. These and other minor revisions will be shown in future issues. Each of the children's bedrooms will have two air foam mattress/plywood slab beds cantilevered from the wall with steel brackets. Toy storage is designed to convert later to hanging space; all desk units will be built in.

The house has been designed to separate the activities of parents and children when necessary though the common ground of a center terrace permits an integration of all social activities.
The rectangular plan was chosen for the sake of simplicity and economy as a modular construction system. The rectangle also lends itself readily to various roof types such as the gable, shed, butterfly as well as the flat. The kitchen, bathrooms and utilities were arranged in a bank to concentrate plumbing and mechanical elements. This bank also serves as a barrier between the street side of house and basic living areas which presumably face south or the view side.

The multi-purpose room which could incorporate radio, TV, sewing room, game facilities, etc., is also a play room for children and as such is adjacent to their bedroom. This arrangement isolates the children's disorder and noise from the adult living area. This room could also be used as a large dining-room on special occasions. Its location could also make it easily convertible to a fourth bedroom. In the original planning the area could also be another court or roofed-over porch as a given situation would demand. Location of entry divides the bedroom area from the living area and thus eliminates any cross circulation in the living area.

The east side of the house is devoted to porch and outside dining and as such is remote from children's outdoor and indoor play areas. The garage and service yard separate dining and porch areas from the street side of the house.
This structure for the A.F. of L. unions in Colorado contains 40,000 square feet divided into 35 offices, a cafeteria, and 4 auditoria, the largest of which has a capacity of 600, and the smallest, 100. The structure is of reinforced concrete with flat slab, exposed brick walls inside and out, terrazzo floors, and acoustical plastic on the ceilings. Vivid colors have been used to create a lively and stimulating atmosphere. The fenestration of each floor is a different color: sage green, bright yellow, and olive green.

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NOTES IN PASSING
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kinds of sensibility, belonging to distinct psychological types, and for
that reason alone a certain degree of specialization in the arts is
desirable.

The specialization, due to psychological factors in the individual
artist, may conflict with the particular economic structure of society
in which the artist finds himself. Painting and sculpture, for example,
might be regarded as unnecessary trimmings in a society committed
to economic necessity to an extreme utilitarian form of architecture.
The artist might then have to divert his energies to other forms of
production—to industrial design, for example. No doubt the result
would be the spiritual impoverishment of the society reduced to such
extremes, but I only mention this possibility to show the dependence
of art on social and economic factors. The artist should realize how
much he is involved in the changing social structure, and how neces­
sary it is to adapt himself to that changing structure.

From this some might argue that the artist should have a conscious
and positive political attitude. Obviously some forms of society are
more favorable to art than others, and it would be argued the artist
should on that account take up a position on the political front. I
would be more certain of his duty in this respect if we could be
scientifically certain in our political analysis, but it must be obvious,
to the most superficial observer, that the relation between art and
society has always been a very subtle one, and never of the kind
that could be consciously planned. One can generalize about the
significant relationship between art and society at particular points
in history, but beyond describing such relationships in vague terms
such as "organic" and "integrated," one cannot get near to the
secret. We know that the Industrial Revolution has had a deter­
mental effect on the arts, but we cannot tell what further revolution
or counter-revolution would be required to restore the health of the
arts. We may have our beliefs, and we may even be actively politi­
cal on the strength of those beliefs; but meanwhile we have to work,
and to work within the contemporary social structure.

That social structure varies from country to country, but I think
that broadly speaking we who are participating in this Conference
are faced with mixed or transitional economies. In my own country,
at any rate, the artist has to satisfy two or three very different types
of patron. In the first place there is the private patron, the con­
noisseur or amateur of the arts, who buys a painting or a piece of
sculpture to indulge his own taste, to give himself a private and exclu­
sive pleasure. In addition there are now various types of public
patron, the museums or art galleries that buy in the name of the
people: the people of a particular town, or the people of the county
as a whole. Quite different from such patrons are those architects,
town-planners, organizations of various sorts who buy either from
a sense of public duty, or to satisfy some sense of corporate pride.

This diversity of patronage must be matched by a certain flexibility
in the artist. If I am asked to make a piece of sculpture for (a) a
private house; (b) a museum; (c) a church; (d) a school; (e) a public
garden or park, and (f) the offices of some large industrial under­
taking, I am faced by six distinct problems. No doubt the Renais­
sance sculptor had similar problems, but not of such a complexity;
whereas the medieval sculptor had to satisfy only one type of pat­
ronage—that of the Church. Flexibility was always demanded by
the function and destination of the piece of sculpture, but that is a
difficulty which the artist welcomes as an inspiration. The difficulty
that might cause the modern artist some trouble is due to the shift,
at a moment's notice, from the freedom of creation which he enjoys
as an individual working for the open market of private patrons to
the restrictions imposed on him when he accepts a public commis­sion.
It is usually assumed that if sufficient commissions were forth­
coming from public authorities, all would be well with the arts. It is
an assumption that takes no account of the fact that the tradition
of modern art is an individualistic one, a craft tradition passing from
artist to artist. We have only to look eastwards, beyond the Iron
Curtain, to see that State patronage on an authoritarian basis re­
quires quite a different tradition—a tradition in which the State that
pays the artist calls the tune, in other words, determines the style.
I cannot, in making any judgment of the relative merits of the two tradi­
tions, but I think it should be made quite clear that the transition from
private patronage to public patronage would mean a radical reor­
ganization of the ideals and practice of art. We have to choose
between a tradition which allows the artist to develop his own world
of formal inventions, to express his own vision and sense of reality; and which requires the artist to conform to an orthodoxy, to express a doctrinaire interpretation of reality. It may be that in return for his loss of freedom the artist will be offered economic security; it may be that with such security he will no longer feel the need to express a personal philosophy, and that a common philosophy will still allow a sufficient degree of flexibility in interpretation to satisfy the artist's aesthetic sensibility. I think most artists, however, would prefer to feel their way towards a solution of this problem, and not to have a solution imposed on them by dictation. The evolution of art cannot be forced, nor can it be retarded by an obstinate adherence to outworn conventions.

We already have considerable experience in the State patronage of art, even in countries which are still predominantly individualistic in their economy. I have myself executed various pieces of sculpture for public authorities—schools, colleges, churches, etc.—and although I have had to adapt my conception to the function of the particular piece of sculpture, I have been able to do this without any surrender of what I would regard as my personal style. Such pieces of sculpture may meet with violent criticism from the public, and I might be influenced, perhaps unconsciously, by such criticism. That is my own look-out, and I do not suggest that the artist should be indifferent to such criticism. But the public is also influenced by the work of art, and there is no doubt that the public authority which has the vision and the courage to commission forward-looking works of art, the work of art with what might be called prophetic vision, is doing more for art than the public authority that plays for safety and gives the public what the public does not object to. But can we rely on such courage and initiative in public bodies in a democratic society? Isn't there a primary duty in such a society to make sure that the people have the interest and eagerness that demand the best art just as surely as they demand the best education or the best housing? It is a problem beyond the scope of this address, but not beyond the scope of Unesco—the renewal of the sources of artistic inspiration among the people at large.

I turn now to technical matters more within my special competence as a sculptor. When sculpture passes into the public domain, the sculptor is then involved, not merely in a simple artist-patron relationship, but also in a co-operation with other artists and planners. The piece of sculpture is no longer a thing in itself, complete in its isolation, it is a part of a larger unit, a public building, a school or a church, and the sculptor becomes one artist in a team collaborating in the design as a whole. Ideally that collaboration should begin from the moment the building is first conceived, and neither the planner of the town nor the architect of the particular building, should formulate their plans without consulting the sculptor (or the painter if he too is involved). I mean that the placing of a piece of sculpture, in a public square, on or in a building, may radically alter the design as a whole. Too often in modern building the work of art is an afterthought, a piece of decoration added to fill a space that is felt to be too empty. Ideally the work of art should be a focus round which the harmony of the whole building revolves, inseparable from the design, structurally coherent and aesthetically essential. The fact that the town planner or the architect can begin without a thought of the artists he is going to employ to embellish his building shows how far away we are from that integral conception of the arts which has been characteristic of all the great epochs of art.

Assuming that such co-operation is sought and given from the beginning of an architectural conception, then there are many considerations which the sculptor must bring into play. He will want to consider both external proportions and internal spatial volumes in relation to the size and style of sculpture that might be required, not merely the decorative function of sculpture in relation to formal quantities, but also the possibility of utilitarian functions. Utilitarian is perhaps not the right word, but I am thinking of the didactic and symbolic functions of sculpture in Gothic architecture, inseparable from the architectural conception itself. The sculptor will also want to consider his own materials in relation to those to be employed by the architect, so that he can secure the effective harmony or contrast of textures and colors, or fantasy and utility, of freedom and necessity as one might say.

These are perhaps obvious rights for a sculptor to claim in the conception and execution of a composite work of art, but nothing is such a symptom of our disunity, of our cultural fragmentation, as (Continued on Page 33)
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this divorce of the arts. The specialization characteristic of the
modern artist seems to have as its counterpart the atomization of the
arts. If a unity could be achieved, say in the building of a new
town, and planners, architects, sculptors, painters and all other
types of artist could work together from the beginning, that unity,
one feels, would nevertheless be artificial and lifeless because it
would have been consciously imposed on a group of individuals, and
not spontaneously generated by a way of life. That is perhaps the
illusion underlying all our plans for the diffusion of culture. One can
feed culture to the masses, but that does not mean that they will
absorb it. In the acquisition of culture there must always be an
element of discovery, of self-help; otherwise culture remains a
foreign element, something outside the desires and necessities of
everyday life. For these reasons I do not think we should despise
the private collector and the dealer who serves him; their attitude to
a work of art, though it may include in the one case an element of
possessiveness or even selfishness and in the other case an element
of profit-making, of parasitism, nevertheless such people circulate
works of art in natural channels, and in the early stages of an artist's
career they are the only people who are willing to take a risk, to
back a young artist with their personal judgment and faith. The State
patronage of art is rarely given to young and unknown artists, and
I cannot conceive any scheme, outside the complete communization
of the art profession such as exists in Russia, which will support the
artist in his early career. The present system in western Europe is
a very arbitrary system, and entails much suffering and injustice.
The artist has often to support himself for years by extra artistic
work, usually by teaching, but this, it seems to me is preferable to
a complete subordination of the artist to some central authority,
which might dictate his style and otherwise interfere with his cre­
ative freedom. It is not merely a question of freedom. With the
vast extension of means of communication, the growth of internation­
alism, the intense glare of publicity which falls on the artist once
he has reached any degree of renown, he is in danger of losing a
still more precious possession—his privacy. The creative process is
in some sense a secret process. The conception and experimental
elaboration of a work of art is a very personal activity, and to sup­
pose that it can be organized and collectivized like any form of
industrial or agricultural production, is to misunderstand the very
nature of art. The artist must work in contact with society, but that
contact must be an intimate one. I believe that the best artists have
always had their roots in a definite social group or community, or in
a particular region. We know what small and intimate communities
produced the great sculpture of Athens, or Chartres, or Florence.
The sculptor belonged to his city or his guild. In our desire for inter­
national unity and for universal co-operation we must not forget the
necessity for preserving this somewhat paradoxical relation between
the artist's freedom and his social function, between his need for
the sympathy of a people and his dependence on internal springs
of inspiration.

I believe that much can be done, by Unesco and by organizations
like the Arts Council in my own country, to provide the external con­
ditions which favor the emergence of art. I have said—and it is
the fundamental truth to which we must always return—that culture
(as the word implies) is an organic process. There is no such thing
as a synthetic culture, or if there is, it is a false and impermanent
culture. Nevertheless, on the basis of our knowledge of the history
of art, on the basis of our understanding of the psychology of the
artist, we know that there are certain social conditions that favor
the growth and flourishing of art, others that destroy or inhibit that
growth. An organization like Unesco, by investigating these laws
of cultural development, might do much to encourage the organic
vitality of the arts, but I would end by repeating that by far the best
service it can render to the arts is to guarantee the freedom and
independence of the artist.

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J.O.B.

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B. ARTISTS: Fashion Illustration, Home Furnishings Illustration, Layout. Some of the country’s largest department stores are interested in knowing about your qualifications if: 1) You are well trained in illustration and/or layout. 2) Like to work at a fast pace. 3) Have originality and fashion flair. Retail store experience is helpful, but not essential. When preparing your resume, please include academic background, positions held, area preference and salary requirements.

C. BLACK AND WHITE ARTIST: Must have lettering ability. Permanent position in package design department of national manufacturer located in Boston area. State experience and salary expected.

D. CERAMIC DESIGNERS: Free-lance artists wishing to be considered for retainer relationship with Commercial Decal, Inc., major creators and manufacturers of dinnerware decals, are invited to communicate with Mr. John Davis, Art Director, Commercial Decal, Mt. Vernon, New York. Describe training and experience.

E. COLORIST: Well-established fabric manufacturer in Westchester County area, N. Y., wants designers with good coloring ability to color woven fabrics and possibly prints too. No creative weaving; but applicant must understand principles of weaving.

F. DESIGNER: Firm specializing in designing and manufacturing fixtures for department stores, shops and banks seeks a young designer with experience in such work. Should also be capable of store planning and perspective work in color. Salary open, subject to negotiation and dependent on applicant’s ability.

G. DESIGNER—TWO-DIMENSIONAL: A New York City company selling designs to manufacturers seeks a recent male design school graduate, age 25-30, with good drafting and drawing ability for full-time staff position creating new designs for mass-production. Industrial or commercial experience in ceramic decoration, plus sales ability and knowledge of home furnishings, also desirable.

H. DESIGNER—WATCHES, JEWELRY, PACKAGING: An opportunity for an industrial designer for full-time employment in a company’s large design studio near Chicago. Should be a design school graduate; preferably with interests in metalworking, modelmaking, jewelry and working on small objects such as watch cases, dials, attachments, packaging, jewelry.

I. DESIGNERS: Large, nationally known and well-regarded free-lance industrial design organization in New York City seeks candidates for full-time employment in its studio for three positions: industrial designer, interior designer, art and package designer.

J. DESIGNERS: Distributor of modern home furnishings accessories seeks the services of free-lance designers to design home furnishings and accessories such as giftwares and lamps. Correspondence should be addressed to Richards Morgenthau Company, 225 5th Ave., New York 10, N. Y., Attn.: Mr. Norbert Nelson.

K. ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT EXECUTIVE: For large home furnishings, furniture and bedding manufacturer. He will be responsible for the design of products as well as of the machinery used in manufacturing the products. He will have four men on his staff, two in soft line, two in hard line. Age not over 40. Some travel involved.

L. FLOOR COVERING DESIGNER: New England manufacturer of soft-surface floor coverings wishes to develop free-lance design sources. Two-dimensional designers of New England, experienced in fabrics, wall-coverings, or floor coverings and willing to visit factory periodically with design material, should apply.

M. GRAPHIC AND PRODUCT DESIGNER: A well-established manufacturer of bound books, visible records and machine bookkeeping equipment located in western Massachusetts seeks full-time staff employment a male designer, age 25-40, trained and experienced in graphic and product design to redesign existing products and assist in developing new products. Excellent working conditions. Progressive company attitude. Salary commensurate with experience and ability.

N. INTERIOR DISPLAY MAN: For opening with high fashion, quality specialty store of outstanding national reputation. Position requires someone well-experienced in display work and someone who has imagination and fine taste. Location southwest.

O. SILVER DESIGNER: Manufacturer is searching for young man or woman with education and experience in design who has potential of becoming a creative silversmith or craftsman. Staff position and opportunity to develop with established firm are open to right person.

P. TEXT BOOK DESIGNER: Established Boston publishing house seeks draft-exempt male with art school background or experience in trade or textbook house. Layout or art production experience necessary.

Q. TWO-DIMENSIONAL DESIGNER: Position open on design staff of prominent manufacturer of smooth-surface floor coverings (linoleum and felt-base). The company, located near New York City, prefers a designer with textile, wall covering or floor covering design experience, color interest and knowledge.

II. ARTISTS AND DESIGNERS SEEKING EMPLOYMENT

The Institute does not necessarily endorse the following individuals, who are listed because they have asked the Institute to help them find employment.

A. ARTIST—DESIGNER: New York City Community College (1949). Four years art editor of a national magazine. One year advertising design for national pharmaceutical company. Interested in position of-
ferring opportunity for integrated and creative design. 27, veteran, single.

B. ARTIST-TEACHER: Age 40 with a background of outstanding achievement in fine arts, and a national reputation as a painter, seeks to relocate outside of New York City. Ten years experience in three New York art schools and college-level teaching background. Energetic approach.

C. CHIEF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN ENGINEER: Will accept complete responsibilities for 2 and 3 dimensional appearance-mechanical design with manufacturing firm (producing for quality as well as quantity), or design office, on full-time basis. Will relocate anywhere in U.S.A.

D. DESIGNER: Studying architecture evenings, seeks opportunity with progressive architect in the San Francisco area. Design school graduate, B.F.A. in textile design, with 4 years experience designing fabrics and floor coverings.

E. DESIGNER: Recent graduate Alabama Polytechnic Institute with industrial design training desires work, preferably with free-lance industrial design or package design office. Age 20, single, female, will locate anywhere.

F. DESIGNER: Graduate Rhode Island School of Design, and liberal arts college degree. Three years varied product design experience with several top companies. Year as sales representative before design training. Age 28, married, veteran.

G. DESIGNER-CONSTRUCTION—MAINTENANCE: Family man, age 38, headed own construction and maintenance business seeks full or part-time position with eastern Massachusetts industrial, commercial concern in plant and machinery maintenance and improvement. Unusual combination of practical and creative. Licensed builder: residence, kitchen design and construction. Rated mechanic heavy metals. Art and design training. Some drafting.


I. DESIGNER-MECHANIC: HEAVY METALS: Training and practical experience in heavy metals, rated mechanic, some drafting, unusual ability to translate drawings and ideas into workable, well-proportioned forms. Age 38. Desires position in greater Boston area in product development, wrought iron, metal trades. Ability to handle men.

J. FINE ARTS TEACHER: 4 years teaching experience in a mid-western university. B.S. and M.A. degrees. Can teach drawing, painting, 2 and 3 dimensional design, sculpture and jewelry design. Foreign travel. Married, age 32. $4500 minimum. Available now.


L. INDUSTRIAL DESIGNER: 3 years experience in product design, styling, drafting and modeling of household items, office equipment, displays, parks, and toys. Extensive experience with injection molding and vacuum-forming, free-lance, furniture and interiors. Desires permanent position in N.Y.C. area, age 26, married.


N. INDUSTRIAL DESIGNER AND DESIGN DIRECTOR: 14 years experience in plastics, appliances, heavy equipment, and graphic design. Recognized success in design, design sales and administration, both staff and free-lance. Graduate of Pratt Institute (industrial design) and engineering school. Willing to locate anywhere, though prefers New York, Chicago or San Francisco.


Q. TWO-DIMENSIONAL DESIGNER: Honor graduate 1952 of Rhode Island School of Design seeks full-time position as designer with industrial or commercial organization of fabrics, floor coverings, wall coverings, etc. 1952-53 on design research fellowship in Japan; 1953-54 teaching and research fellow at R.I.S.D. President of R.I.S.D. student council. Draft-free.

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Program magazine Arts & Architecture; data belong in all contemporary files.
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PAINTS, SURFACE TREATMENTS

(171a) Etechwood and Etechwall; textured wood paneling for homes, furniture, offices, doors, etc. Etechwood is plywood; Etechwall is redwood lumber T & G preassembled for fast, easy installation, easy to appreciate.—Davidson Plywood & Lumber Company, 3136 East Washington Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

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