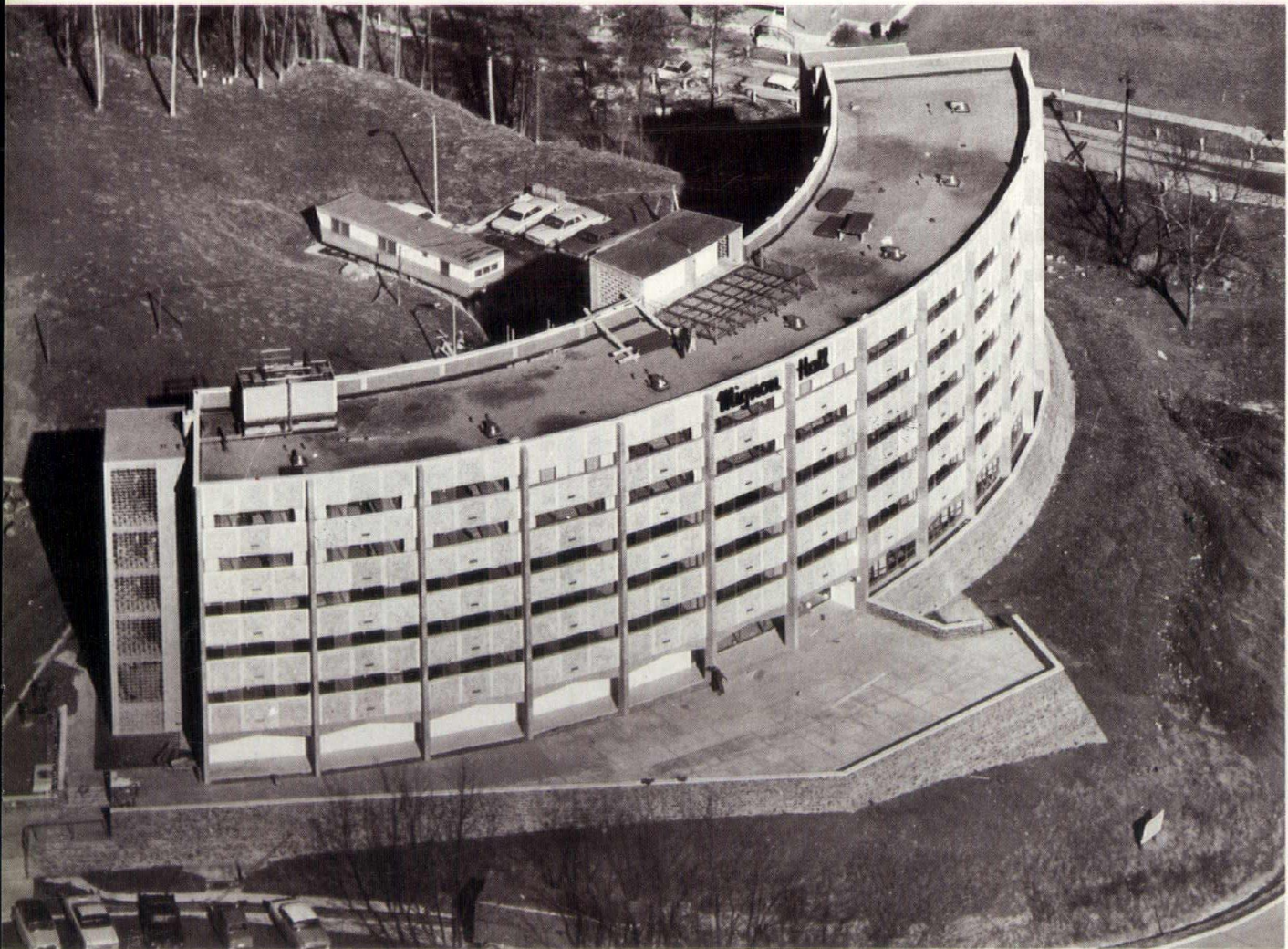


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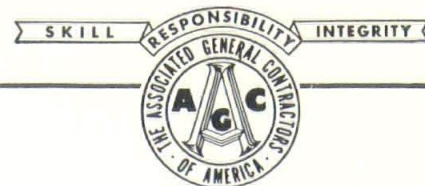
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This sample shows the use of Tennessee limestone and white Georgia quartz; contrast gives wide opportunity for design.

ROSE QUARTZ

Georgia rose quartz was used in this sample to illustrate uniform texture and grade. All samples pictured here were made from architects' request.

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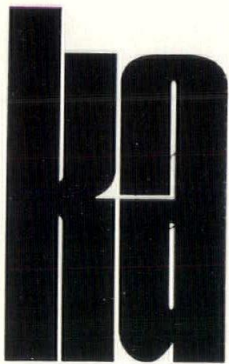
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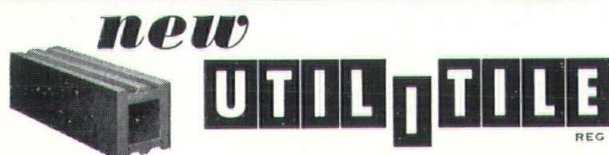
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KENTUCKY STUDENT CHAPTER

Members of the Kentucky Student Chapter in the Department of Architecture, as well as a number of other students, visited Chicago during the Spring Vacation, on their annual field trip.

Among the places they visited were Marina City, the office of Skidmore, Owings and Merrill, the Department of Architecture at Illinois Institute of Technology and numerous other examples of architecture. They were also the guests of Knoll, Herman Miller, Inc., and Risom Furniture Company for a showing in the Merchandise Mart.

The student chapter sponsored a showing of the drawings, paintings, and photographs of Herb Greene, Oklahoma architect and Associate Professor of Architecture, University of Oklahoma at the gallery in the Department of Architecture, during the weeks of February 26 to March 12.

Another showing at the gallery took place during April when student work was displayed.

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VISITING LECTURERS

Mr. Herb Greene was on the campus for three days as a visiting lecturer to the Department and was the speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the East Kentucky Chapter of the A.I.A. in March. He is an Oklahoma architect and Associate Professor of Architecture at the University of Oklahoma.

Mr. Eugene Mackey, Architect of St. Louis, Missouri visited the Department as a Lecturer on Thursday, March 21 with an illustrated lecture on the dome which his firm recently built for Shaw's Gardens St. Louis and which won the \$25,000 Reynolds Aluminum Prize for 1962.

Mr. George Qualls, Architect of the firm of Geddes, Brecher, Qualls and Cunningham, Philadelphia, Penna. visited the campus on April 26 and 27 as a visiting critic and lecturer to the students in the upper levels of design.

REGISTRATION EXAMINATIONS TO BE HELD JULY 8-11

The next regular and annual meeting of the State Board of Examiners and Registration of Architects will be held in Lexington at the offices of the board on July 11 and 12. Examinations for registration will be conducted July 8, 9, 10, and 11.

Anyone considering application for the examinations should contact the board at the Reynolds Building, University of Kentucky, at the earliest possible date.

Members of the Board will attend the national convention of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards to be held in Miami, Florida May 10 and 11, immediately following the A.I.A. convention.

PRECAST EXPOSED AGGREGATE CONCRETE

PART 2 OF A 2 PART SERIES

BY LOUIS J. BURNS, JR.

Assistant to the President, Indiana Limestone Company, Inc. Producer of Gemset Architectural Concrete.

In Part I of this article, which appeared in last month's KENTUCKY ARCHITECT, the author stated that high quality exposed aggregate concrete has three important characteristics: uniform, attractive finishes; proven durability; and dimensional accuracy. The fairly detailed discussion of these quality factors was intended to help architects fix the requirements which the precast exposed aggregate concrete on their buildings should meet. In Part II, which follows, the author discusses an equally vital question: how can this material be most economically used?

QUALITY AND COSTS

There is no question that costs increase as the architect requires more quality controls. If a tight budget situation exists, therefore, there would seem to be three possible solutions:

1. Switch to a less expensive material;
2. Realistically set appearance, durability and dimensional requirements at their lowest acceptable level;
3. Exploit the material's fullest capabilities.

There is nothing this author can say about the first two except that they may on occasion be necessary; and if they are, it is better to accept them in the preliminary drawing stage than to end up with contract proposals far exceeding budget estimates, or with unsatisfactory material.

It is the third possibility which deserves most thought, for here truly lies this material's brightest

future. Here, also, will be found the architect's most exciting and challenging opportunities.

There is a simple statement which this writer believes summarizes nearly all that can be said about using this material: precast exposed aggregate concrete is most satisfactory and least expensive when used for itself rather than in place of something else that could do just as well.

Perhaps, therefore, the place to start considering full exploitation of the material is with an attempt to classify present and predictable uses. These can then be related to the material's essential capabilities.

At the present time the applications of precast exposed aggregate concrete would seem to fall into three broad use categories:

- I. *Wall facing*, wherein units are affixed to exterior and interior walls to achieve color and texture effects not available from other materials.
- II. *Space enclosure*, wherein units with architectural finishes fill openings in a structural system to provide complete wall systems, often including insulation and window openings.
- III. *Structural members*, wherein architecturally finished units comprise a portion of the structural system as well as provide enclosure.

In each category there are reasons which can make precast exposed aggregate concrete the "only answer". For example, a veneer panel with a sparkling texture, or of an inimitable color, or with a sculpted surface, could be an econ-

omically feasible design feature which makes a building distinctively attractive and architecturally noteworthy.

However, brief reflection on the essential capabilities of reinforced concrete shows that Use Category II exploits these more than does Use Category I; and Use Category III, more than either I or II. If these were to be catalogued we would have:

| USE CATEGORY | RELATED MATERIAL CAPABILITIES |
|-----------------|---|
| I | High durability. Wide latitude in getting desired textures and colors. Wide latitude in unit sizes and shapes. |
| II | <i>All above, plus:</i> space enclosure with large units, which may be insulated, and which may require little interior wall finishing. |
| III | <i>All above, plus:</i> major portions of the structural system. |

It would be misleading, at this point, to let the conclusion be drawn that all three can be done for the same cost. A six inch thick wall panel, or architecturally finished column, does not cost the same per square or cubic foot as a 2" thick veneer panel. At the same time, as one progresses into Use Categories II and III, other materials are usually replaced. It is also possible to reduce the architect-engineer's design and detailing time, and the contractor's construction time.

Can this theory be followed to the conclusion that, if one uses precast exposed aggregate concrete to its fullest aesthetic and structural capability, one can eventually

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design a building that will cost less than any other combination of materials and methods?

When conventional architectural and structural concepts are being followed the answer to this is usually "no." A brick veneered, masonry wall, laid up on a simple concrete or steel structural frame, will cost considerably less than any application of precast exposed aggregate concrete. So will a form-finished, or broom-finished concrete wall panel, either plant fabricated or cast on the site and tilted up. Certain metal and glass wall systems cost less; and, insofar as plain veneer panels are concerned, limestone ashlar can often beat their price by 25% to 40%.

What can be had, however, are architectural effects which can be achieved no other way, at costs no higher than those of other widely

used materials and systems. In all probability, too, this material offers the least expensive means of combining distinctive design effects with advanced structural concepts.

Perhaps the importance of this latter point can be appreciated best if we dwell briefly on expectable technological advances in this field in the years to come.

MATERIAL IMPROVEMENTS

Most immediate of these advances is the introduction of prestressing to the process of precasting exposed aggregate concrete. While relatively few producers now have this capability, and for complex technical reasons it is generally limited to certain sizes and shapes, this application has already been proven and is bound to become more widespread. The Consolidated Gas Building in Detroit, designed by

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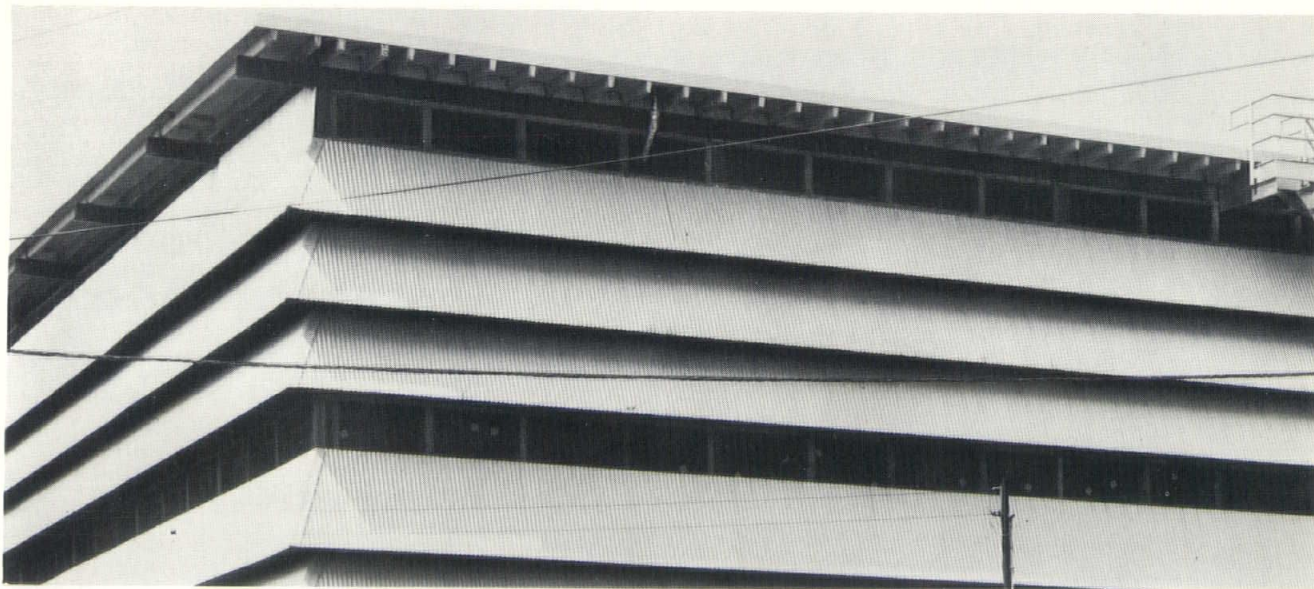
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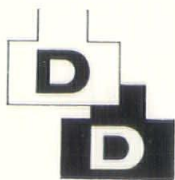


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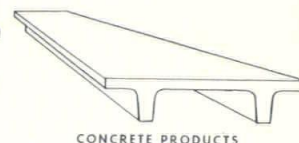


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CHAPTER SAYS SAVE OLD LOUISVILLE HOME

Following an extensive study by the Civic Design and Allied Arts committee of the West Kentucky Chapter of American Institute of Architects, the chapter passed a recommendation that the old Ben Smith mansion, located on Jefferson Street in Louisville, be restored.

Chapter president Arnold Judd pointed out that the home was a "worthy example of historical Louisville architecture". The house is in danger of being razed for certain urban renewal projects.

The chapter went on record with their stand that: (1) The architects feel that the Ben Smith home is a worthy example of historical Louisville architecture; (2) every effort should be made to restore this home, preferably surrounded by adequate yard area to insure a proper setting; (3) Our local community, and state would benefit greatly from the downtown presence of this as well as other selected historical examples.

Members of the committee which studied the old home recommended "that appropriate agencies and civic groups . . . retain this structure for restoration and offer our Civic Design and Allied Arts Committee's services to assist in every way possible."

JAPANESE PROFESSOR LECTURES AT U. of K. ON RESTORATION

Professor Kiyoshi Asano, who teaches the history of architecture at Osaka University, Osaka, Japan, lectured the architecture students at the University of Kentucky March 22, on the problems encountered in restoration.

Professor Asano is recognized as one of the world's leading authorities in the field of restoration. He has spent the past 25 years working on the restoration of Horyu-ji, Japan's oldest temple complex.

Using color slides to illustrate his talk, Professor Asano pointed out that the major weakness of the ancient wooden buildings in Japan is their susceptibility to fire and water damage.

Another disadvantage is the contraction of the wooden structural joints due to drying. The effects of wind and earthquakes can also cause structural problems, he said, in that the building may move completely out of line. Some buildings need complete dis-assembling and re-assembling in order to straighten them. In the re-assembly, it is necessary to add pieces to compensate for the shrinkage, but finding original material from which the temples were built is sometimes difficult, he told the students.

If the old timbers are examined very carefully, however, it may be possible to obtain important clues for restoration.

Professor Asano is visiting the U.S. enroute to Paris where he will lecture at the Sorbonne.

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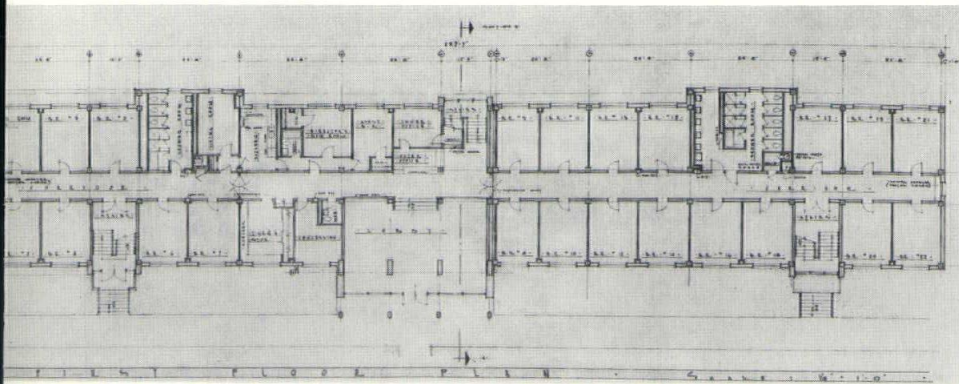
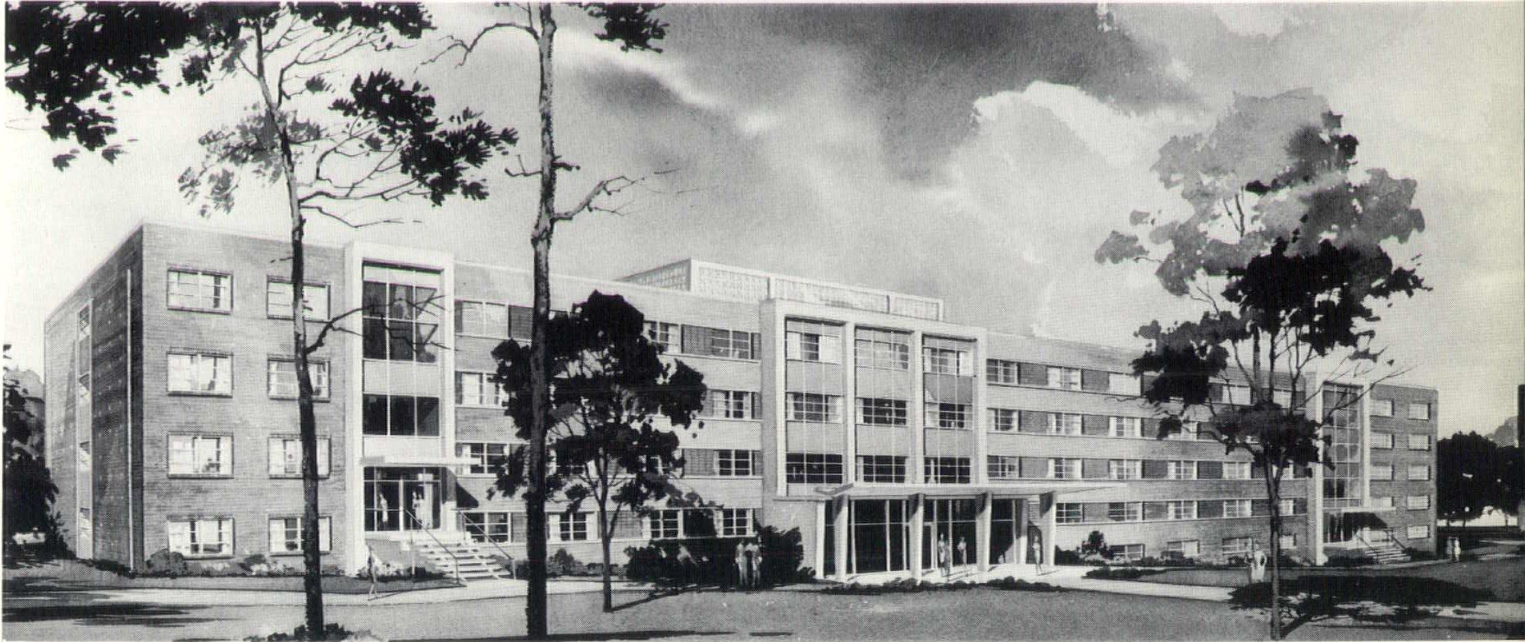
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New Women's Dormitory #3

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FIRST FLOOR PLAN

This new housing unit, planned for occupancy in the fall of 1964, uses reinforced concrete as its main structural material, with block partitions, and brick veneer with metal curtain wall construction at entrances.

The building, which has 115 student bedrooms accommodating 230 students, is located on a sloping site. It will be four stories high at the upper end and five stories at the lower. The ground floor contains a student lounge and apartment for the dormitory director. A student snack bar is located on the bottom floor at rear. Total area is 44,700 square feet.

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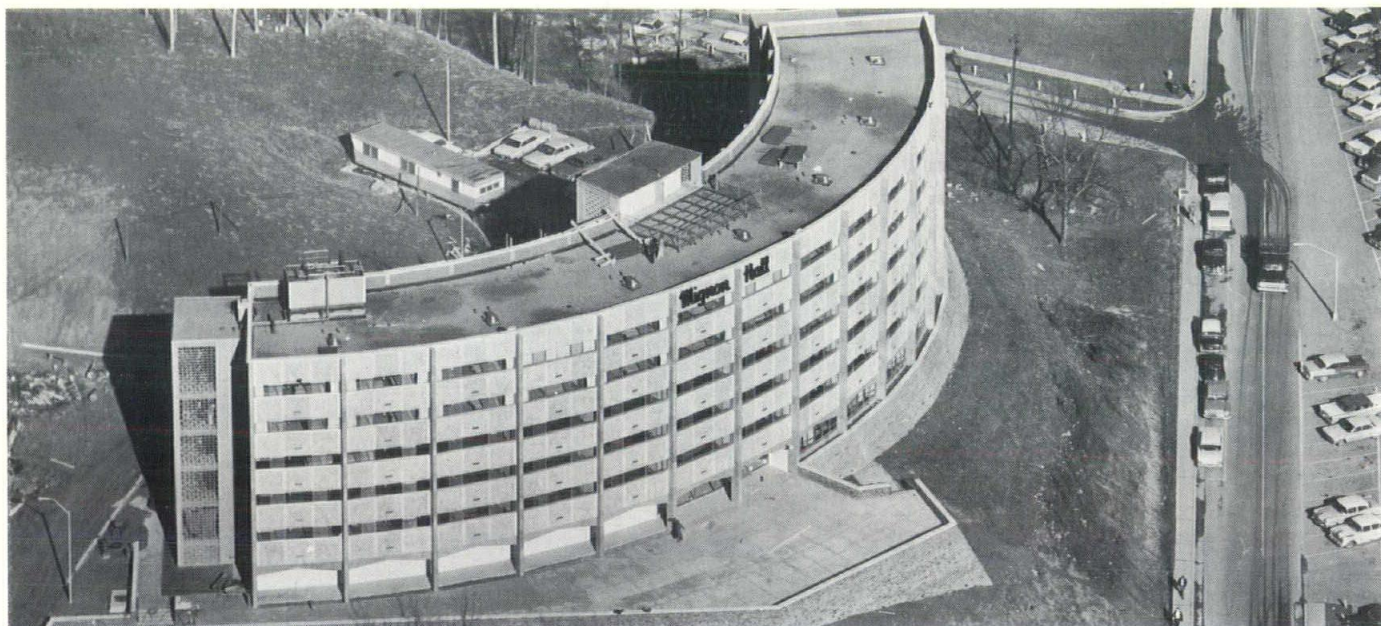
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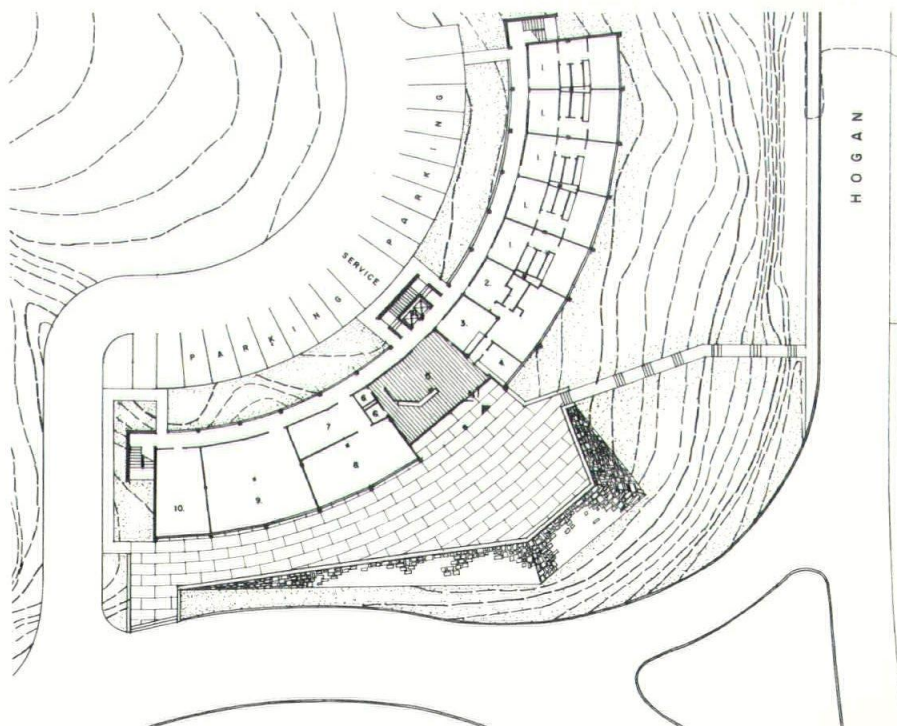
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BEDROOM - MIGNON HALL



Increased enrollment demand that a new women's dormitory housing 300 female students be provided on the campus. The new dormitory was conceived for only the minimum domiciliary functions, so no provision for a cafeteria or recreation area was made.

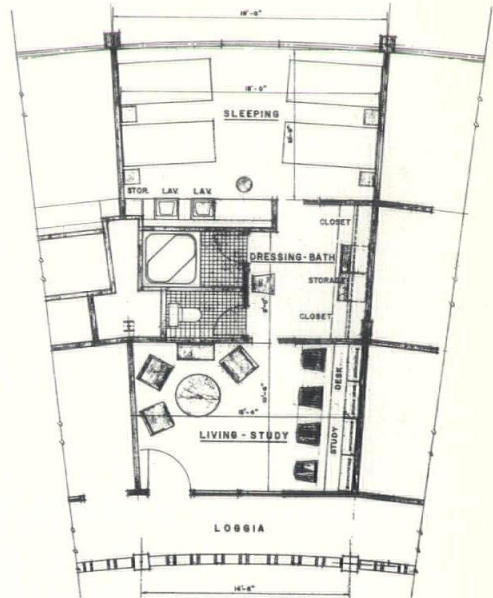
The site selected for Mignon Hall was a high promontory overlooking most of the campus, and adjacent to other female housing facilities. The irregular shape of the site necessitated the circular design of the building. Care was taken to keep the building in harmony with those surrounding it, and allowing room for additional women's dormitories within the same building complex. Grades were studied to eliminate building retaining walls, except for the front terrace, and the service drive at the rear of the building follows the natural terrain offering construction economy and eliminating excessive grades.

The six-story structure, built of structural steel frame with non-load bearing exterior walls of precast concrete, will contain 75 suites housing four students to each. In addition the building will contain an apartment for the dormitory matron, small office and checkout counter, snack room, automatic laundry, wardrobe room for storage of suitcases, etc., linen room, lobby and public toilets, and room housing all mechanical facilities.

The resident suites contain living-study area, sleeping area, shower area, and toilet area. Redwood slats built onto the roof provide an area for sunbathing.

Projected costs for the building are \$1,102,100. Total square-footage area of the building is 57,774 square-feet.

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STUDY-LIVING ROOM - MIGNON HALL

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New Women's Dormitory

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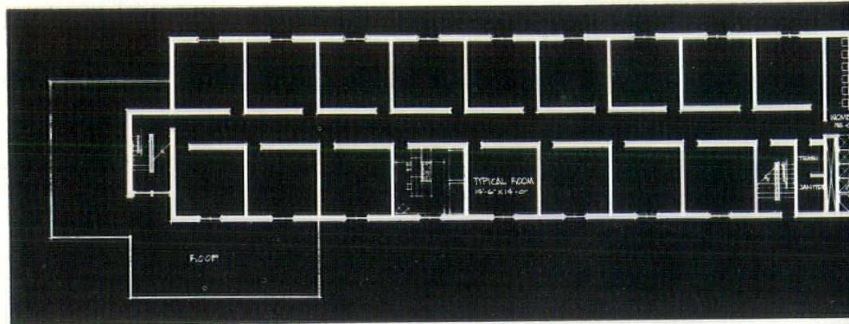
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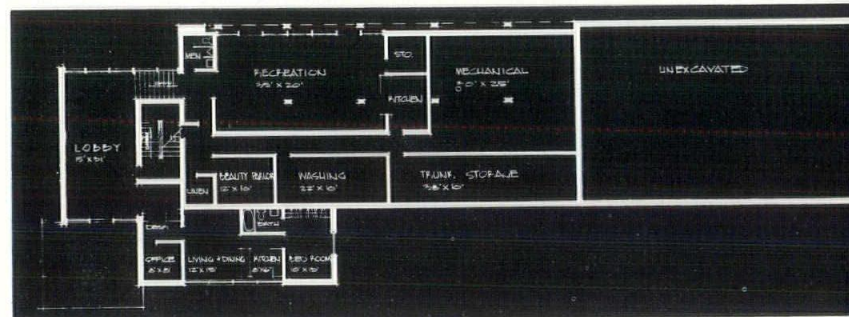
A concrete block wall bearing structure faced with brick was selected for budgetary considerations in this building. An interesting feature is the pre-fabricated aluminum window panels set against a hollow precast concrete jamb and serving as a raceway concealing the heating pipes.

At the mid-level, between the first floor resident rooms and the ground-level recreation area, is the entrance lobby with the house mother's office and apartment.

Three distinct usage areas were designed into the resident rooms. A built-in wardrobe and desk unit acts as a divider to separate the sleeping area from the study area. Alongside the exterior wall, near the window, space was left for a lounge chair to be placed.



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Urban Renewal Panel

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Douglas Nunn, executive director, Louisville Central Area, Inc.; Charles Walte, Jr., director of Louisville and Jefferson County Planning and Zoning Commission; J. D. Leeth, executive director, Urban Renewal and Community Development Agency.

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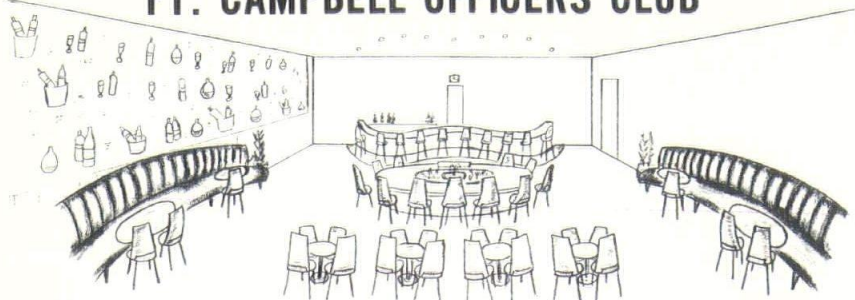
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The new Officers Open Mess at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky, completed in December, 1962, was decorated by the old firm of Hubbuch Bros. and Wellendorff on 4th St. Fred E. Hoffmann, Jr., was decorator.

By general agreement between the house committee and the decorator, the decor of this building was completed with certain assumptions. First, there should be a home-like atmosphere with as little army regimental atmosphere as possible. Second, no definite period decor, such as Early American, Modern, French Provincial, etc., should be used.



Third, the principal color scheme of the building should be a continuation of the surrounding landscape, which is an eighteen-hole golf course.

Using these assumptions as a guide, the decorator started by carpeting the lobby and corridors with a grass green carpet which represents a continuation of the fairways

CORRECTION

In the November, 1962 issue and the April, 1963 issue the name of Architect William C. Tyler, Jr. was inadvertently omitted from the credit lines. On both the Immanuel United Church of Christ and the U. of L. Medical Dental Apartments, the credit line should have read, Architects: Arrasmith and Tyler.

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of the golf course. Autumn colors of burnt orange and brown were used to complement the green carpet.

The large twenty-three foot high window at the end of the lobby was draped with semi-sheer material, which at no time completely obscures the view of the fairways.

In the main cocktail lounge, the color scheme of the lobby was reversed to burnt orange carpeting and brown and green furniture. The specially constructed furniture in this room was designed to accentuate the free form curve of the bar. To complement this free form, a six by fourteen foot oval piano bar was placed in the center of the room, surrounded by booths of fourteen and eighteen foot length.

In the dining room and ball room colors were planned to blend with the formal uniform of today's army, which is blue and red.

In the dining room and ball room charcoal-blue carpeting was chosen which strongly accentuates the white terrazo dance floor. Lighter blue and white walls are used in these rooms, with red chairs. The

large expanse of drapery in these rooms was made of a light beige which blended with both the brick in the fireplace and the natural woodwork.

The informal stag bar on the second floor was decorated in a casual manner to give a sense of

unrestricted freedom. To achieve this feeling, a light beige and brown was used, accentuated by white and a small amount of coral. The golf scene in the drapery of this room once again makes the decor of this building a part of the surrounding terrain.

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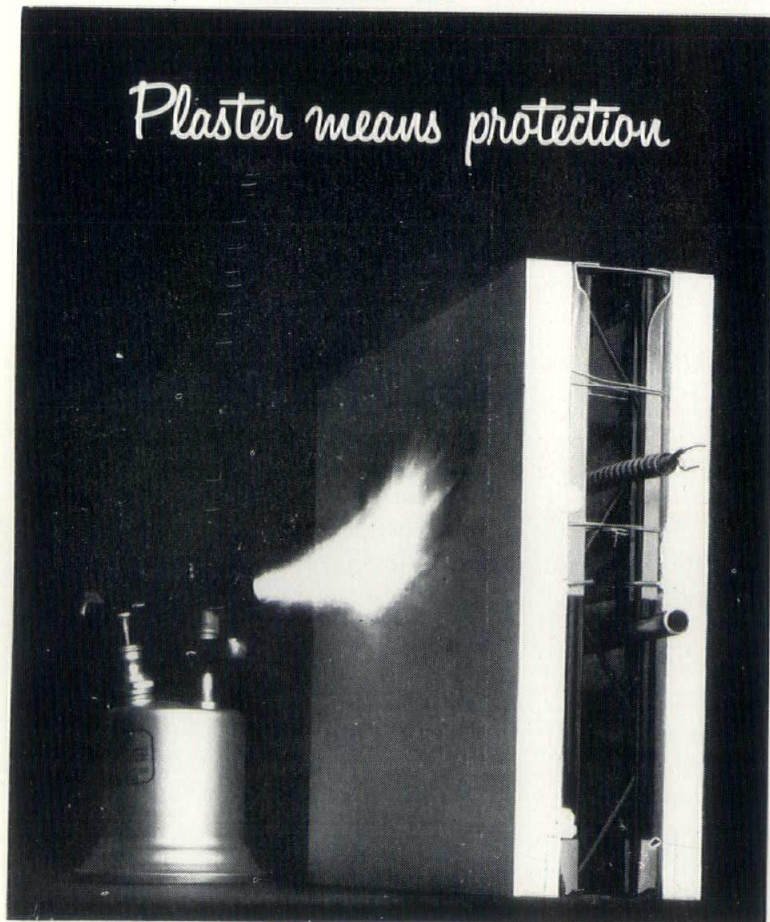
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Advances in the use of design mix additives promise major increases in weatherability and tensile strength, with corresponding performance improvements and reductions in weights and sectional dimensions. Improved forming and casting techniques promise better finish control, and more complex shapes at lower costs. The list of "hoped for" improvements, particularly if one projects some of the remarkable achievements now to be seen in Europe, reads like it was

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If designs are to express grand concepts, if buildings are to function in a social and cultural sense as well as enclose space, if all this is to happen for the betterment of man's experience in his environment, then the future of any unusual building material is as important to architects as it is to those who produce it.

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Encore literature describes the new fixture as the first luminaire using extruded aluminum as its primary structural material. In addition to adding rigidity and a more handsome appearance to the units, aluminum opens a completely new chapter in the history of lighting by utilizing the fixture as an integral part of the room decor, according to the new catalog. Encore fixtures are available in natural aluminum, sandalwood bronze, charcoal grey and aztec gold, all permanent anodized colors. Burgundy red, citron yellow, jamaica blue, teal blue and antique copper are shown as examples of other tones that can be made available, depending on the needs of the designer and decorator.

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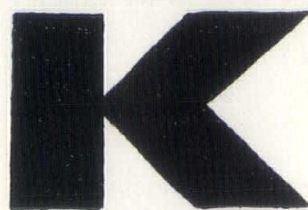
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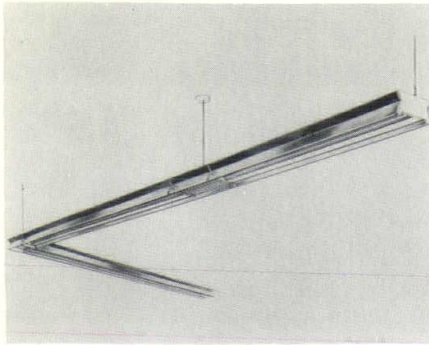
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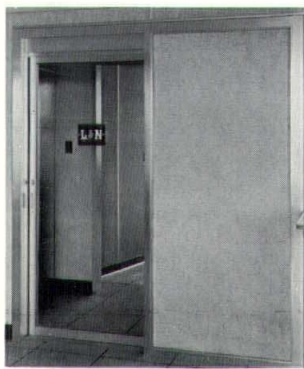
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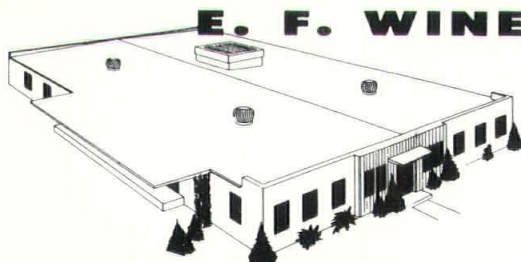
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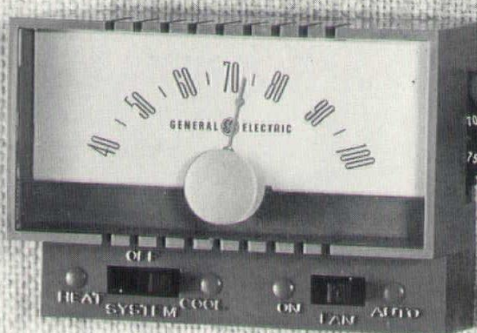
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