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city necessary to make the pro-
ject attractive to private interests.

In all three categories of thesis,
the student prepares a Thesis Re-
search Report which is followed
by a Thesis Design and Presen-
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thesis precis

I. Historical and philosophical contexts as determinants in the design criteria.

A. Historical—In the past, the underlying philosophy of penology was punishment and retribution as a deterrent to crime. This philosophy made itself manifest in the prison structures of that era. Since that time we have made important progress in penological philosophy without a corresponding revolution in the architecture.

B. Philosophical—Today's penological philosophy has substituted as its basic tenets the principles of correction and rehabilitation for the old ideas of punishment and retribution. The programming of modern prisons reflects this change. Large areas are devoted to rehabilitation facilities. We are now attempting to treat the cause of crime rather than simply reacting to its effects.

II. General Design Criteria

A. General Design Criteria—This new institution, which is to house 500 inmates, is to act as a medium security prison facility for first offenders under the age of 30. By medium security it is meant that each inmate is required to be at certain functions at a specified time. Roll is called at each of these functions to ascertain the presence of each inmate. Security, while important within the institution, is severe only along the perimeter in the form of a double chain link fence and guard towers.

B. Conceptual Organization—July, 1966
Since the function of a prison is to provide effective control of persons who have been committed and at the same time prepare them for responsible community living upon release by providing constructive activities in a constructive environment. I have created a secure prison plan, but one in which there is achieved a unique circulation system for inmates, aimed at eliminating as much as possible an oppressive sense of confinement. The prisoner circulation strata (El. +0) becomes a plane which has its visual limits extended into the surrounding countryside. Although physical freedom is restrained while on this strata, I envision spiritual freedom to be at its maximum under the confined conditions. This strata also serves as a great control zone due to the fact that a prisoner in order to move from any one function to another must move onto the circulation strata. A guard stationed on this strata has visual control over interactions between functions.

Guard and official circulation (El. -11) takes place on another level. From this strata a guard or prison official may move to any function within the prison without being in the same space with a prisoner. This strata becomes a valuable aid as a visual control system and would be extremely useful in case of riots.

In the design of this prison, I have taken a very complex planning program and reduced it to its most simple and straightforward solution. I have created five basic zones.

1. Inmate housing units.
2. Circulation, which directly serves: a. the dining hall, b. outpatient department, c. chapel and visiting and d. school.
3. Administration and hospital admissions.
4. Recreation field.
5. Work areas.

Since the purpose of the institution is to prepare the individual
offender for re-entry into community living, I have conceived of a spatial and social sequence toward that end. The smallest spatial and social unit the prisoner experiences occurs within the housing area. A group of 36 prisoners live together, but in individual rooms, each room having an excellent view of the surrounding countryside. From the sleeping room the individual prisoner would progress to social interaction with the group of thirty-six in an adjacent dayroom. From the dayroom the individual prisoner progresses to the great open circulation strata and work strata where his interaction with other inmates multiplies, and from there onto the recreation strata where he may be in contact with almost all of the inmates. And then, upon release, to society.
The program of requirements for a new residence for the University president can be broken down into two independent but awkwardly-related functions:

The first function is to provide a private home for the president and his family. Independence and privacy must also play a part in the life of a family which is oriented to shaking hands, being courteous and receptive and, in general, representing the University of Kentucky.

The second functional requirement is that there be a group of spaces devoted to social entertainment where various guests of the university can be entertained in groups varying in size from two to 200. It should act as a welcome
mat—in contrast to the privacy required in the home.

The problem now presents itself as two separate yet integrated functions which contrast not only in their functional requirements but also in the scale of the spaces. Two solutions to the problem come to mind immediately: First, separate the two functions because of their contrasting nature and connect them with the elements which are harmonious to both functions, such as mechanical, service elements and the wife's reception. The second solution is to tightly integrate and mesh all of the elements into a single whole, while maintaining the required separation.

In attempting to choose the most fitting method of solution to the problem, the various criteria for each must be looked into carefully. From a functional standpoint, separation of the functions would allow them to operate independently of each other and insure more privacy for the home. Although this would hamper the possibilities of providing more than one means of transition between the two functions and would require slightly more time in terms of convenience, it must be kept in mind that the social function would not be used every day and possibly not every week. Aesthetically and psychologically, separation of the functions would give outsiders a general knowledge of the workings of the building and should also provide them with an instinctive feeling about the desire for privacy in the living function. Combining the functions into a single building would not provide as many possibilities for expressing the inner functions or the independence with which they operate.

Other criteria to be examined include the status of the house, which is referred to as "The University House." Whether separated or combined, it must reflect the status of the university as well as the dignity it shelters.

July, 1966
In Kentucky, tradition still plays an overpowering role in its architecture, and while this alone does not limit the design, the university has a very strong connection with tradition in its own right.

After careful study of the above-mentioned criteria, it became more and more obvious that the solution to the problem could best be resolved functionally and aesthetically by confining the activities into separate structures.

Immediate attention was given to the site which, because it is bounded by a relatively narrow, untraveled, residential street on one side, and by a boulevard type street on the opposite side which is connected to the central campus, offered immediate opportunity to provide a private entrance from the residential street and a public entrance from the boulevard.

A study was made of the space relationships of the house, keeping in mind that privacy, light and...
views are of prime consideration for the residential section, and that visual approach, access, terraces and satisfactory parking conditions were mandatory for the public section.

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They include an international airport, an office building, a complex of quality shops and restaurants, a sanctuary for display of rare manuscripts, an urban renewal residential project, a utility's central service facility and an industrial warehousing-distribution headquarters. There are also churches and three college buildings.

Three of the awards are First Honor Awards, the remainder Awards of Merit. Winners of First Honors are Keyes, Lethbridge & Condon of Washington, D.C., for Tiber Island, a residential redevelopment project in the nation's capital, and Eero Saarinen and Associates of Hamden, Conn., for two projects: Dulles International Airport Terminal Building in Chantilly, Va., and the Columbia Broadcasting System Inc. headquarters building in New York.

The Dual honors won by the firm of the late Eero Saarinen, an Institute Gold Medalist, bring to nine the number of First Honor Awards the office has received since the Honor Awards program was inaugurated in 1949. Keyes, Lethbridge & Condon, the other 1966 First Honors winner, also received an Award of Merit for the River Road Unitarian Church in Bethesda, Md.

The Saarinen office came in for a third share of commendation at the convention when the St. Louis...
Gateway Arch was presented the Institute's first Henry Bacon Award for Memorial Architecture. The New York structural engineering firm of Severud Associates participated in the citation of the riverfront landmark.

Aline Saarinen, widow of the Finnish-born architect, was present for the award ceremony honoring her husband's work.

One of the Award of Merit winners is the San Francisco firm of Wurster, Berndt & Emmons for design of Chiradelli Square, a collection of shops and dining places created from century-old chocolate factory buildings overlooking the San Francisco Bay. The project was also honored with the Institute's Medal for Collaborative Achievement in Architecture, an award that has been presented only once before.

Another Award of Merit winner which was cited for additional national honors is the Countway Library of Medicine at the Harvard University Medical School.
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Two examples of theses which have been reviewed and evaluated are presented on these pages.

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