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## WHERE DO ARCHITECTS OOK FOR NEW CLIENTS?

h school an architectural student learns ractically nothing about clients; or, to ut it another way, what he picks up is robably all wrong. At least the 1,000ear-old concept of an architect's client that of a wealthy individual, an influntial institution (like the church or City Iall): it is little related to today's work.

The new architect learns about clints from his early employers and their lients, and from his fellows at the draftng tables. He, and they, thus tend to ollow familiar groups. True, we do hear great deal today about new types of lients—corporations, community comnittees, new types of government bueaus, and so on—but in general we keep poking for those with the obvious purces of funds.

Nothing wrong with that; everybody eaches for the richest prizes. What is hissing is the development of new types f clients. Those big corporations, the nes with the money, are always reearching, in a constant quest for new erritory to cultivate. They study their roducts, their materials, their markets, heir future possibilities. Not to mention oing the same for all of their competiprs' territories. The world has lost its essimistic cry of 30 years ago—"no new rontiers"—and has its eyes firmly fixed n growth.

If you were to ask an architect about oing a study of "his markets," he would bok at you with some concern. He would think you slightly touched. He wouldn't be so scornful if you spoke about the new types of clients, and he would be interested in discussions of new types of clients' requirements. But the idea of the kind of analysis of his work that is familiar to corporation practice: horrible thought!

Well, if you can forget such horrible terms you will realize that architects are having such study thrust upon them. The point of bringing it up is merely that architects should be *ahead* of the necessities of their times, not behind them. Perhaps I should put it more constructively: some architects are ahead of the field, running away with real fortunes.

It doesn't seem natural to use the word "tycoon" with the adjective "architectural," but architectural tycoons are developing. Boom times are making architectural fortunes. And American architects are scooping up chunks of affluence in the strangest parts of the world. Leo A. Daly, of the unlikely home base of Omaha, Nebraska, said recently: "The needs in the emerging nations of South America, Africa, the Middle East and Asia are enough to keep us all busy." His own people are working in Saigon, Recife, Islamabad, Tunis, Lahore, Frankfurt, New Delhi, Santiago, Katmandu and Karachi.

So you don't want to be an architectural tycoon. You just want to stay home and limit your work to what you can design yourself, and be proud of. Well, what you can be proud of is your own personal persuasion, but I venture to say that a good look right around home would uncover a good many new sorts of possibilities.

I used to think a "small" architect was an individual who did something like six to ten houses a year. I know an architect who is too busy doing smaller work than that even to undertake a single new design. He just got started in little remodeling jobs—houses, stores, and such —and it never seems to let up. I guess he has developed a special understanding of the problems of converting old structures; at any rate, he has a considerable list of satisfied clients.

The point of all this is, I think, affluence. If somebody in Katmandu needs, and will pay for, the services of an architect firm from Omaha, Nebraska, how many housewives right there in Omaha want, and can afford, professional services in making their living room just as good as the Joneses'?

Where do those housewives get help? From the local wallpaper house, the antique shoppe, the gift shop lady, the city department store, the professional decorator, the architect? You know, as well as anybody else, that the Omaha housewives tend to think of architects as Leo Daly's, who do big and expensive work and travel around the world.

It might be very good for the profession of architecture, and for its practitioners, if architects took a new look at present-day affluence, and the opportunities for design that it presents. Do the big work, yes, in Katmandu (wherever that is); but do some of the small work too. Spread your services and—forgive me—study your markets. Be a little tycoon, if you want to, but there are some big ones these days!

-Emerson Goble



#### Young people like it tough: send 'em around the world

A little story about how Leo A. Daly developed the world-wide architectural business I mention on the previous page:

"We found we had a group of young people who could have served in the Marine Corps. They enjoyed doing hard jobs the way other people might enjoy going on a lion hunt . . ."

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#### Young people, young people; they'll change everything

What's new, according to the prophet Leo A. Daly, is still interesting:

"The client who involves the new breed of architect is a new breed of businessman, too. He knows there is more to producing a profitable building than simply squeezing every rentable square foot possible out of a given lot. A careful engineering study of the physical environment, transportation and other public services, the trends in future office practices, the basic trends in the economy of a given community—all of these factors, when properly analyzed, can help the client reach initial decisions that will make it easier to find financing, perhaps at a better interest rate. They can result in quicker construction at lower cost, and they can help insure a rentable building that will fill up rapidly and stay filled because it won't be made obsolete by technical changes in the near future.

"This is what is happening. In addition to the economic factors, there are and will continue to be very strong political and social factors working in favor of the person who seeks quality. You know, these days, most people don't have to stay in one place and live with what they have. If they don't like it, they can move-and they will. Most of today's young people have never known economic depression. They have grown up with television, with the jet airliner, with the post-Sputnik education, with a very healthy attitude that they can change what they don't like. So if we can mold our policies and set our goals as high as these young people have, we will be capable of producing a better world."

#### Small architectural jobs; another reason for them

My little spouting (previous page) about seeking out small architectural jobs has another application, according to the gospel of J. B. Jackson, editor of Landscape magazine, whom I have quoted before. This is from "Image 4," a student publication of the School of Architecture at the University of Texas:

"If the architect, therefore, wishes to play a more responsible role in shaping the urban environment—and we are assured that he does—then the best that he can do is to find an amenable client. He must, in fact, learn to prefer the small client to the large and powerful one, the poor client to the rich, the small com munity to the metropolis; for it is in suc relationships that he can make his voic heard. In short, he must apply his talent to a field which up to now he has neg lected: the lower income groups, th small business and the small cities and towns. These have been left unexplore because they produced neither prestig nor money. But if it is a chance to assum or share social responsibility that th architect wants, then he can afford to ignore them no longer. Here is where hi help is needed.

Drawn for the RECORD by Alan Dun

"Why has this field lain fallow? An chitects have avoided it because to begin with they have not known how to exploi it. Once out in the world the young architect soon learns that there is more (o less) to an architectural practice than ai terminals, civic centers, white-colla housing projects, resort hotels by th sea; more to office practice than what the book says. But by then it is too late School has taught him all that it wishes to teach him, and this has proved to b not enough.

"The fault then lies partly with th curricula of our architecture schools with their undue emphasis on the gran diose and expensive, their refusal to tak into account the many new urban form and functions of modern constructio and planning. But the schools have als omitted to teach their students any rea sense of personal obligation to society It is not enough for the would-be archi tect to be lectured on the social im portance of his profession. He must als be made to experience it; he must some how learn to see how modest the role of architecture is in the workaday work and yet how essential it could become. -E. C

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Succeeding Mr. Yasko is architect eonard L. Hunter, his immediate predeessor as Assistant Commissioner for Degn and Construction, who will once gain hold that title. When he resigned 1962 to become a partner in John Carl Varnecke and Associates in San Fransco, Mr. Hunter had been associated ith the Public Buildings Service of the SA and its predecessor organizations nce 1934 (except for military service in Vorld War II).

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The Public Advisory Panel is made up of two sections: a national panel which will advise GSA's Washington office, and 10 regional panels, which will advise GSA's regional offices. The national panel was instituted in 1965 and 17 members served one-year terms last year. Regional panels are new this year. Like last year's panel, members of this year's panels will get no pay except transportation expenses and \$25 per diem.

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even Regional Advisory Committees on esign and Planning have been named, ne for each of the regional offices of the Department of Housing and Urban evelopment. Each of the committees ill be composed of four representatives f the design professions—an architect, a ndscape architect, a planner and an enneer—with a HUD administrator acting s chairman of each committee.

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Auburn, Washington, Regional Panel: Paul Kirk, Seattle; Perry B. Johanson, Seattle; and John R. Culler, Spokane, Washington.

### A.I.A. elects 82 Fellows and Honorary Fellows

Eighty-two members of The American Institute of Architects have been elevated to the rank of Fellow, bringing the total membership of the College of Fellows to 762. Investiture will take place at the annual banquet and ball at the A.I.A. convention in New York City on May 18. Serving on the Jury of Fellows were the following Fellows of the Institute: Paul R. Hunter, Los Angeles, chairman; Clinton E. Brush III, Nashville, Tennessee; Joseph D. Murphy, St. Louis; Reginald H. Roberts, San Antonio; William J. Bachman, Hammond, Indiana; and Clinton Gamble, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Five foreign architects have been named Honorary Fellows of the A.I.A., bringing the total number of Honorary Fellows to 131. Their investiture will also take place at the convention on May 18. The honor is bestowed by the A.I.A.'s Board of Directors upon "architects of esteemed character and distinguished achievement who are not citizens of the United States and do not practice within the domain of the Institute."

A list of the new Fellows elected in all categories, including Honorary Fellows, follows:

Design and Service to the Profession: Allen I. Strang, Madison, Wisconsin.

Design and Education: Simon B. Zelnik, New York

Design and Literature: Isadore Rosenfield, New York, and Edward A. Sovik, Northfield, Minnesota.

Design and Public Service: Kenneth W. Brooks, Spokane, Washington, and Edwin B. Cromwell, Little Rock, Arkansas,

Design: Ralph A. Anderson Jr., Houston; Alexander H. Bacci, Chicago; Frederick F. Bassetti, Seattle; Preston M. Bolton, Houston; Simon Breines, New York; David H. Condon, Washington, D.C.; Edward D. Dart, Chicago; John J. Desmond, Hammond, Louisiana; Philmer J. Ellerbroek, Newport Beach, California; Miguel Rincon Ferrer, Santurce, Puerto Rico; Robert L. Geddes, Philadelphia; Charles B. Genther, Chicago; Mark G. Hampton, Tampa, Florida; Victorine du Pont Homsey, Wilmington, Delaware; Charles E. King, St. Louis; Victor A. Lundy, New

York; Edward A. Moulthrop, Atlanta; George Nemeny, New York; Walter A. Netsch, Chicago; Charles H. Richter Jr., Baltimore; Nicholas Satterlee, Washington, D.C.; Osvaldo L. Toro, Santurce, Puerto Rico; and Louis M. Wolff, Columbia, South Carolina,

Service to the Profession and Public Service: W. J. Evans, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Willard S. Hahn, Allentown, Pennsylvania; George N. Hall, Gary, Indiana; Hugh McK. Jones Jr., Guilford, Connecticut; Donald H. Lutes, Springfield, Oregon: Burton Rockwell, San Francisco; and Archibald C. Rogers, Baltimore.

Service to the Profession and Science of Construction: Grayson Gill, Dallas.

Service to the Profession: Alfred S. Alschuler Jr., Chicago; Rex L. Becker, St. Louis; Charles H. Burge, Montebello, California; Albert M. Dreyfuss, Sacramento; Theodore L. Eschweiler, Milwaukee (posthumous); R. Rea Esgar, Chicago (posthumous); Albert L. Haskins Jr., Raleigh, North Carolina; Frederick H. Hobbs Jr., Columbus, Ohio; Charles S. Ingham, Pittsburgh; J. Yandell Johnson, Little Rock, Arkansas; Edward A. Kane, Edwardsville, Illinois; George E. Kassabaum, St. Louis; Robert H. Levison, Clearwater, Florida; Grinnell W. Locke, Baltimore; Chris R. Maiwald, Moline, Illinois; Julius S. Sandstedt, Oshkosh, Wisconsin; George F. Schatz, Cincinnati; Walter Scholer Jr., Lafayette, Indiana;

Adolph R. Scrimenti, Somerville, New Jerse Harry W. Seckel, Honolulu; Bruce H. Smi Royal Oak, Michigan; Herbert L. Smith III, No folk, Virginia; J. Rowland Snyder, Washingto D.C.; Walter H. Sobel, Chicago; Mace Tunga Jr., Houston; Gordon Wittenberg, Little Rod Arkansas; and Hachiro Yuasa, Berkeley, Ca fornia.

Public Service: Albert B. Bauer, New You George D. Brown Jr., New York; M. Dwig Brown, Kansas City, Missouri; John Lane Eval Philadelphia; Max Flatow, Albuquerau Michael Goodman, Berkeley, California; Les C. Haas, Shreveport, Louisiana; Clarence Kive Kansas City, Missouri; Stephen H. Richardso Seattle; and T. Trip Russell, Miami.

Education: George E. Danforth, Chicago; Carl Larson, Ann Arbor, Michigan; Joseph F. Mi bito, Kent, Ohio; and Linus Burr Smith, Linco Nebraska.

Literature: Alan Burnham, New York, a Noverre Musson, Columbus, Ohio. Literature and Education: Buford Pickens, Louis.

Science of Construction: Charles F. Ward Philadelphia

Honorary Fellows: Alfred V. Alvares, Ho Kong; Viscount Esher, London; Charles Fowl Halifax, Nova Scotia; Junzo Sakakura, Toky and Karl Schwanzer, Vienna.

Architectural League acts to broaden membership and activities

The 86-year-old Architectural League of New York last month voted to re-organize membership classifications, change its dues structure, and add vice presidents for "industrial design" and "urban design" to the list of vice presidents already established in its bylaws for architecture, sculpture, landscape architecture, design and crafts, engineering, and mural painting.

Under the leadership of architect Ulrich Franzen, who at the same time was elected to his second term as president, the League has created a new category of "associate member" (to include non-resident members) at an annual dues fee of \$25. It is hoped that this new category will attract many new members from all over the country. Associate members, who can be laymen as well as design professionals, are eligible for all activities of the League except that they may not vote or hold office.

"Active members" (resident profes-

sionals) who alone may vote and hold office, had their dues reduced from \$100 to \$75 (if over 35 years of age) and \$35 (for those under age 35).

Current activities of the League in keeping with its continuing purpose "to quicken and encourage the development of architecture and its allied arts" are: The presentation of the Michael Friedsam Medal to Walter Hoving, chairman of Tiffany & Company, New York. The Friedsam Medal is given "to provide a special means of recognition by the League of persons outside the profession of architecture and the arts who have 'exerted a most potent influence in promoting the development of art.""

An exhibition of architectural renderings, organized by architect Minor Bishop, and the presentation of the League's annual Birch Burdette Long Memorial Prize for architectural rendering to Zvonimir S. Tesla for his ink and airbrush drawing (above left) for a proposed bridge over Baltimore's inner harbor, d signed by Lev Zetlin & Associates, stru tural engineers.

Environment III: Slipcover (picture) above right, as it was installed at The A Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, last fall), "place" by Les Levine, a young Canadia artist, which is a most unusual, high experimental, and rather "psychedeling exhibition planned to coincide with the national A.I.A. convention in New Yor In the exhibition, which opened April 1 and continues through May 22, the wal ceilings and floors of the three-room ga lery are covered by a mirror-finishe metalized polyester film. Eight huge e pandable walls fill large areas of the rooms at programed intervals, while s carousel slide projectors continuous show architectural slides, various soli color slides and images of the arti within the undulating environment, a closed circuit television system brin the outside environment into the galler



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### BUILDINGS IN THE NEWS



The Financial Plaza of The Pacific, Honolu designed by Leo S. Wou and Victor Gru Associates, associated architects, will cons of three buildings-a six-story bank co nected by a bridge to a 21-story tower (s rendering far left), and a 12-story tower (le -set in a landscaped plaza. The bank w have 32 teller windows and four collection windows as well as a subterranean vault cated below a parking garage. The office to ers will contain 288,905 and 68,686 squa feet. All of the buildings in the complex w have exposed aggregate concrete exterio with dark bronze anodized aluminum tri Developers for the complex, which will a condominium and cost \$20 million, a Oceanic Properties Inc. Landscape archite is Lawrence Halprin & Associates, and ge eral contractors are Hawaiian Dredging a Construction Company in a joint ventu with Pacific Construction Company a Swinerton & Walberg Company.

A mosque for Mecca in Saudi Arabia, the competition winning design by German architects Frei Otto and Rolf Gutbrod, will provide a variety of facilities arranged around four artificial oases, with the entire project to be topped with a tent roof made of rope mesh covered by aluminum. The facility will provide a mosque, congress assembly room, meeting rooms, restaurant, administration buildings, apartments, a semi-circular hotel with 200 guest rooms, and parking facilities.



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A Broadcast House for KIRO television an radio, Seattle, designed by Fred Bassetti Company, J. William Dimmich, partner charge, will have a landscaped drive-in ent creating a park-like setting for the buildin The 85,000-square-foot structure will have lobby and reception area, radio studios, tw large television studios with public viewir rooms and a smaller executive studio on th first floor. The second floor will contain o fices, conference rooms, operational ar technical areas for television, and a sta lunch room. Large expanses of glass on th facade will denote office areas with sol massive walls for the television studios. Get eral contractor is Howard S. Wright Constrution Company.

municipal parking garage in Ann Arbor, lichigan, designed by O'Dell, Hewlett and ckenbach, Inc., will utilize air rights over ivate property and a city street. The multivel structure will provide 300 parking aces. The garage will extend over a private ore, utilizing the structural frame of the ore as its base. Entrance and exit to the new uilding will be from an existing city parking ructure opposite the store. Cost of the oject will be \$1,014,694.





A library complex for the College of Santa Fe, New Mexico, designed by Philippe Register, will consist of three buildings: a forum building containing 4,100 square feet and seating 178, which will serve as a lecture center for the campus and community (left), a three-level library containing stack space for 250,000 volumes, lounges, offices and related services (center) and a Southwest Collection Annex to house reference material and memorabilia of the Southwest. The project, of concrete and native stone construction, will cost \$1.35 million.

he Provident Federal Savings and Loan uilding, Redlands, California, designed by linton Marr, is one of six projects in Riverde-San Bernardino Counties to be honored or "creative use of concrete" in an awards rogram co-sponsored by the Portland Cenent Association and the San Bernardinoiverside Counties Rock Products Associaon. The winning bank has eight tilt-up I-shaped concrete panels, separated by slot indows, forming the walls, and a folded late roof of thin-shell concrete. Structural ngineers were Johnson & Nielsen, and the eneral contractor was Forsberg & Gregory.







The Shelby County State Technical Institute, Tennessee, designed by the Wadlington-Marshall Architectural Office, will be a sevenbuilding complex mainly constructed of tilt up concrete panels and poured-in-place concrete. The complex will include an administration building with 20 faculty offices, another building with 30 faculty offices and lounge, two classroom-and-laboratory buildings, a building containing cafeteria and student lounge, a library, and a building housing mechanical equipment. Total cost of the complex, which will contain 100,600 square feet, will be \$1,661,300.

The Episcopal Church of the Crucifixion in Harlem, New York City, designed by Costas G. Machlouzarides, will have sloping barrelvaulted walls, with each curved wall containing a separate element of the church—the baptistry, the shrine, a chapel, and the altar. The white concrete structure will sit on a platform of gray granite over the foundations of the original church, which was destroyed by fire in 1963. Located in the basement will be a parish center containing a stage, dressing rooms, kitchen, and classrooms. The church will seat 350 and will cost \$500,000.





A chapel and parish hall for the Malil Methodist Church, Malibu, California, d signed by Richard Dorman & Associates, the first phase of construction for a compl which will also include a church seating 3 people and a bell tower. The chapel, whi seats 125, has wood-stud construction wi exposed glue laminated beams and a finishe cedar ceiling. The walls are of heavy-textur plaster and wood. Two main factors infl enced the planning of the complex: "t complete separation of the worship are from the rooms designed for secular use and placement of the buildings on a series elevations to take full advantage of the ocea view." General contractor was the Robert Reeves Construction Company.



An addition to the William A. Hewitt Res dence, Rock Island, Illinois, designed I Lundeen & Toline, has won the first hom award in a biennial design awards progra sponsored by the Western Illinois Chapt and the Eastern Section of the Iowa Chapt of the American Institute of Architects. Th addition is an outdoor living facility inclus ing a veranda, swimming pool and bath house-sauna, and was praised by the jury -"an outstanding project in every way. Th elements were well studied in compositio and relation to the existing residence. showed excellence in scale and beautifn detailing."

The First Baptist Church, Moline, Illinois, designed by Swanson & Maiwald, was one of four projects given a merit award in the Western Illinois award program. The jury praised the project as "a very well studied one and an excellent solution to church programing, particularly in view of the excellent desires of the client in respect to the period type of church. . . . The jury felt that the architect had done a good job in terms of lighting and basic interior operation." Serving on the jury were: Ambrose M. Richarson, chairman, A. Richard Williams, and Scott Seaton.





The Century City Medical Plaza, Los Angeles, designed by Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall (Cesar Pelli, director of design and A. J. Lumsden, assistant director of design), will consist in its first stage of a 17story medical office tower having 200,000 square feet, and a one-story commercial facility housing a pharmacy, restaurants, and lounge, all located on a plaza covering the whole site. The second stage will consist of four floors of additional office space situated atop the commercial building. The buildings will have an exterior of gray glass windows and spandrels with dark gray mullions. General contractors are the William J. Moran Company in joint venture with the Wilsen Construction and Development Corporation.

The Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Center for Research in Mental Retardation and Human Development, Bronx, New York, designed by Pomerance & Breines, will have nine stories and will cost \$8 million. The facility will be used for research and research training in mental retardation and related aspects of human development, with special attention to maternal and child health. General contractors are Starrett Brothers and Eken.





The South Mall project in Albany, New York, will place 10 new structures, integrated with existing buildings, along a four-story elevated plaza having an area of 2.8-million square feet. The project, which will cost \$480 million, will include a 43-story trapezoidal office tower containing 572,000 square feet of office space; four identical 23-story trapezoidal agency buildings, each having a gross floor area of 180,000 square feet; the Swan Street Building, five floors above grade, 1,174 feet long and 98 feet wide, with a gross area of

800,000 square feet; a nine-story justice building containing 240,000 square feet; a cultural center containing approximately 1 million square feet; a nine-story legislative building; and a bowl-shaped meeting center housing a 900-seat auditorium and a 500-seat meeting hall. Architectural credits include: Harrison & Abramovitz, coordinating architects; Carson, Lundin & Shaw, Swan Street Building; James & Meadows & Howard, legislative building; Sargent Crenshaw & Folley, Justice Building.



Key: 1. State Capitol (existing); 3. Alfred E. Smith State Office Building (existing); 5. legislative office building; 6. justice building; 7. meeting center; 8. 43-story office tower; 9. Swan Street Building; 10. 11. 12. and 13. 23-story agency buildings; and 14. cultural center. Buildings 2, 4 and 15 (not shown) are existing buildings that rim the site.







traditional Japanese architectural concep but instead of wooden logs, uses precast co crete beams which were sandblasted a then coated to simulate lumber(!). The buil ing contains two theaters: the main theat seating 1,746, designed for kabuki perform ances; and a small stage and auditoriu seating 630 for classical Japanese pupp plays and other events. The stage in the ma theater is more than twice the size of t seating area and has a 72-foot-wide pr scenium and a revolving turntable 66 feet diameter. Twenty-four dressing rooms ser the main theater and seven dressing roor serve the smaller one. General contractor w Takenaka Komuten Company, Ltd.

A foreign office building in Brasilia, designed by Oscar Neimeyer, consists of a three-story rectangular building which will house a minister's office and large rooms for receptions and official entertaining, and an eight-story administration building not yet built. The completed building has three stories and is surrounded by water. Access to the building is by ramps over the water. The building is surrounded and covered by a columned arched structure supporting a concrete slab roof. There are 56 arches surrounding the building, and the top floor is a 118-foot freespan area reinforced by 4-foot reinforced concrete beams. The water gardens surrounding the building are designed by landscape architect Roberto Burle-Marx.



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An open-air athletic hall at Nasser City, ne Cairo, Egypt, designed by Salah Zeitoun, w be used for games such as tennis, boxin handball and basketball, as well as for co certs and theatrical events. The \$3-millic concrete building, now under constructio has a stage at one end flanked by three-sto side wings containing dressing rooms. Th stage will have a proscenium width of 12 feet and a depth of 60 feet. The facility w seat 12,000—4,000 in the lower tier, 6,00 on the upper tier and 2,000 on the groun

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Jerry Grethen, A.I.A. & Associates-Architects have opened an office at 623 Deerfield Rd., Deerfield, III.

Joseph J. Mangan, A.I.A., Architect announces the opening of his office at The Pan Am Building, Suite 303 East, 200 Park Ave., New York City.

### NEW FIRMS, FIRM CHANGES

John C. Merrick, A.I.A. has been named a senior associate and Robert C. Spielman and William H. Meyer have been named associates by William F. Bernbrock, A.I.A., Architects and Engineers, Fifth Avenue Building, Moline, III.

The office of **Ralf E. Decker, A.I.A.**, **Architects** announces a new partnership, **Decker, Kolb & Stansfield, Architects**, 1040 Washington Building, Seattle, Wash.

Charles W. Dennis and Robert Paul McFarland have formed a partnership under the firm name Dennis and McFarland, A.I.A., Architects and Planners, at 3301 North Main St., Pleasant Hill, Calif. The firm formerly was Charles W. Dennis and Associates.

James P. Gray, A.I.A. and John E. Kuieck, A.I.A. have become associated with Bernard J. De Vries, F.A.I.A. under the firm name De Vries and Associates-Architects at 610 Hackley Union National Bank Building, Muskegon, Mich.

Robert J. Drayton, A.I.A. announces that Frederick B. Lindsay, A.I.A. has become a partner in the firm Drayton and Lindsay, Architects at 101 North Main St., Crystal Lake, III.

Laurence Amstadter, Leo D. Chicca, Arnold M. Colantonio, Solomon Krivo and J. Stewart Stein have been named vice presidents in the architectural and engineering firm, A. Epstein and Sons, Inc. at 2011 W. Pershing Rd., Chicago,

Ronald H. Fanning announces the opening of a new firm, Fanning and Howey Architects & Engineers to operate in connection with the firm Ralph Fanning and Associates. P.O. Box 71, Celina, Ohio.

Faulkner, Stenhouse, Fryer and Faulkner, Architects announce the retirement of John W. Stenhouse, A.I.A. and the admission to partnership of Wyant D. Vanderpool Jr., A.I.A. and the admission to membership of George B. Dolby, A.I.A. as associate.

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Goldberg-Epstein Associates announce that Adolph Goldberg will retire from active practice, continuing as a consultant to the firm. Herbert Epstein will become senior partner and Karl R. Greenfield will become a partner with the firm which is located at 164 Montague St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

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W. Howard Bezenah has been appointed a consultant on the staff of Harley, Ellington, Cowin and Stirton, Inc., architects and engineers located at 153 East Elizabeth, Detroit, Mich.

Lloyd A. Doughty and Sheldon Fox have been admitted as partners in the firm of Kahn and Jacobs, Architects, 2 Park Ave., New York City.

Kallen & Lemelson, Consulting Engineers have named Feyzi N. Bil as an associate of the firm which is located at 1271 Avenue of the Americas, New York City.

Charles A. King, A.I.A. announces that Theodore Ariev, A.I.A. has become a partner in his firm which will now practice under the name King & Ariev Architects at 266 Pearl St., Hartford, Conn.

Hans Mumper has been named an associate in the firm of Langdon & Wilson, A.I.A., a Los Angeles architectural firm.

Nathan S. Levenson, A.I.A. announces that Leonard Sedor was made an associate in the firm of N. S. Levenson & Associates, Architects, A.I.A. located at 102 Fulton Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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The survey probes some 17 cateories of manufacturing industries and categories of other business including ining, railroads, airlines, communicaons, utilities and commercial. Each tegory has a different proportion of its pected capital expenditures allocated construction. Not surprisingly, the ghest proportion is found in the comercial ventures (46 per cent of a total vestment of \$13 billion, or \$6 billion for buildings) and the lowest in utilities (3 per cent of \$9.74 billion, or \$292 million). Among manufacturers, the highest cut of the investment dollar for buildings will be in the food and beverage industries (40 per cent of \$1.45 billion, or \$580 million) while the biggest dollar volume for construction in manufacturing categories will be \$1 billion spent by machinery firms. Aerospace? A mere \$280 million.

All manufacturers together plan to spend \$29 billion on new plants and equipment this year, 7.5 per cent more than last year. An average of 18 per cent of this (\$5.22 billion) will be for buildings. Manufacturers expect expansion of plants and equipment to take from 47 to 49 per cent of capital expenditures between now and 1970. The manufacturers also report that they expect sales to increase 21 per cent over the same period.

#### Brakes have been applied to capital spending for 1967

In order to contain the inflationary pressures of sharply rising capital expenditures over the past two years, Congress last fall temporarily suspended both the 7 per cent investment tax credit and accelerated depreciation of buildings. This resulted in a cut of about \$2.3 billion in spending plans for 1967. And although President Johnson has requested restoration of the tax credit, companies have not yet made any significant upward revision of plans. The rebuffs encountered by early efforts in Congress to implement the President's request seem to confirm the wisdom of investment caution for the time being. The inevitable upward long-term trend of demand for new arrays of architectural services is underscored in the article by George Christie beginning page 93.

#### ngineers protest COE contractor inspection order

recent revision in Corps of Engineers' licy, which would require contractors Corps projects to assume greater reonsibility for quality control in conruction, has prompted a strong protest om Consulting Engineers Council Present Eugene Waggoner.

Writing to Chief of Engineers Wilm F. Cassidy, Waggoner noted that the w policy has resulted in contractors ing to retain consulting engineers for ch work. Under such circumstances, id Waggoner, "the consulting engineer placed in the untenable position of beg subject to the direction of the party hich he is, in turn, expected to direct."

The new Corps' Regulation No.

1180-1-6 instructs contractors to establish a quality control organization, including such inspection specialists as a mechanical engineer, electrical engineer, construction engineer, etc. Such personnel would have supervisory responsibility and report directly to the contractor's

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senior resident project manager. In some Corps' offices the new order has been interpreted to mean licensed professional engineers, and many contractors are asking consulting engineers to quote fees for such service which they can use in bidding jobs.

While commending the Corps' objective of better quality construction, C.E.C. challenged whether it is possible to obtain totally unbiased inspection from individuals who are on the contractor's payroll. In its protest C.E.C. pointed out that most consultants feel their primary professional responsibility is to the client, not to the contractor.

Other objections cited by Waggoner

in his letter to Cassidy were:

1. The new regulation has already resulted in contractors asking consultants for fee quotations to include in bid proposals. This places engineers in the position of bidding competitively. 2. As employees of the contractor, many professional engineers would soon find themselves confronted with labor agreements which require union membership as a prerequisite to employment on the contractor's staff.  The liability assumed by a consulting engineer under such circumstances enormous, as evidenced by recent condecisions where consultants not retain for supervision have been held neglige (in one case to the tune of \$250,000).

#### Industrial money pool to spur 90% home mortgages

Seven manufacturers of home-building products and the giant Metropolitan Life Insurance Company are cooperating in a home-loan venture that may have an increasing effect on high-margin mortgage availability in the next few years. Some of this money will provide up to 90 per cent of purchase prices in the higher brackets (\$30,000 to \$40,000) which are less favorably supported now by FHA and public money.

Manufacturers are Andersen Corporation, Armstrong Cork Company, Flintkote Company, Kaiser Industries, Masonite Corporation, Reynolds Metals

#### A.I.A.-A.G.C. contract dispute makes glacial progress

Some progress toward a meeting of minds between A.I.A. and A.G.C. on contract documents was made at a meeting of representatives of the two groups April 10. At its San Diego convention in March, the Associated General Contractors had rescinded any implied endorsement of A.I.A.'s revised "General Conditions of the Contract" document A-201 in spite of the fact that its much-disputed "hold harmless" clause had previously been worked out to the mutual agreement of A.I.A., A.G.C., and the insurance industry. (See RECORD, February and March). At the April 10 meeting, a basis for agreement on some additional points was reached, although the problem of testing in the courts remains.

The contractors say they are no longer worried about the "hold harmless" clause. At least, they point out, it holds the architect responsible when the primary cause of any complaint or

#### Washington briefs

Uniform procurement urged. The jumble of requirements set forth by Uncle Sam through the various procurement regulations would be simplified by a National Commission on Federal procurement, claims Rep. Chet Holifield (D-Calif.), who has introduced a bill that would create a study group.

Minimum wages. A quiet drive to exempt A/E firms from a recent Federal law applying minimum wage standards to members of survey teams is building;

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Company and U.S. Plywood-Champion Papers.

It works this way: The manufacturers have formed Home Capital Funds, Inc. Home Capital will top an institution's 75 per cent, conventional home loan with an additional 15 per cent that will make the total loan 90 per cent of the value of a home. Metropolitan Life, the first institution to work with Home Capital, will put up the 75 per cent. Metropolitan Life now deals with a nationwide network of about 120 mortgage correspondents and banks from whom it "buys" mortgage portfolios.

liability claim is the architect's own action or inaction. But there are many other new ideas, words and phrases that must be interpreted more clearly and resolved legally before the A.G.C. will accept the new document as a whole. Some of the rules on arbitration, part of the payments section, and some of subcontractors section are among the bones of contention. A national A.G.C. spokesman explains that there are some 4,000 new words in the 1966-67 revision "that have never before been interpreted."

#### State legislatures prepare to bar hold-harmless clauses

Meanwhile, there has been a flurry of activity in state legislatures that could have profound effect on the use of the "hold-harmless" clause. Before the A.G.C.-A.I.A.-insurance revision was worked out, A.G.C. urged its local chapters to seek legislative relief in state nula single loan. Metropolitan Life, whi will have bought the loan from its co respondent, will sell a "junior particip tion certificate" to Home Capital Fund Home Capital has \$2 million no

cerned, the transaction will be treated

As far as the home buyer is co

available for loans, and can borrow times that amount if its involveme should make that necessary. The plan to finance some 7,000 homes in the ne 18 months. The homes may cost up \$40,000—and sometimes more. There no restriction on materials used in elible homes.

lification laws outlawing any "hold har less" principle in a contract.

Both New York and Michigan h previously passed laws barring claus purporting to indemnify any party a contract against liability for cons quences of his own acts or omissions which, of course, was never the inte of the disputed clause in A-201.

While A.G.C. has now suggested the its chapters might better "wait and see the timing of the whole situation had ready resulted in a rash of bills bei introduced into some 14 state legislatur —thereby informing local lawyers abo the problems and potentials of thin party lawsuits. A bill in New Mexico awaiting the Governor's signature. Bi are in committee in Arkansas, Californ Colorado, Indiana, Maine, Massachuset Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahon Oregon, South Dakota, Texas and t state of Washington.

rigid Federal systems of employee classification are being attacked, not the wage rates themselves.

Situs picketing. Labor's "situs picketing" bill (H.R.100) which, the construction industry claims, would permit secondary boycotts of construction sites has less than a 50-50 chance of passage this year.

Incinerator design. New design criteria for municipal solid waste treatment plants are being pushed by the public health service's experimental grant pi gram . . . eventually, the concepts cou become the groundwork for a new Fe eral aid program to cities for incinerato

Metric system. Once again legislation h been introduced to authorize a study the costs and problems if the Unit States attempted to convert to the met system over a prolonged period of tin Congress is likely to pass it this year objections within the Rules Committ of the House can be overcome. Here's a good question to ask when specifying any air conditioning equipment.



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#### Contingency allowances: real numbers—not fudge factors

ontingencies are one of the major urces of confusion and misunderstandg in construction cost estimating. All o often it has not been made sufficientclear by the estimator either what is eant by a "contingency" or why it is ch an integral part of the total estimate. nd it *is* important. Ignoring this element tantamount to ignoring the estimated ost of the foundation.

#### e contingency allowance ts three solid parts

contingency is frequently defined as e estimated increase in cost from the hematic and design development hases to the final working drawings due increases in scope. This is correct as r as it goes. The problem is that it pesn't go far enough and, as a result, in be most misleading. For from this the chitect may infer that he has more eway than actually exists to increase his ope and still stay within a budget. Or ren worse, if he is over the budget on e initial estimate, he may be tempted drastically reduce the contingency. ther could be an expensive mistake.

To prevent this, an estimate should efine the three distinct elements of the ontingency. Ideally they should be rown as *separate* contingencies.

#### rst contingency: normal increase scope of the work

his contingency includes allowances r: changes to more expensive finishes, hanges in the owner's desires or needs om those originally expressed, and the dition of finishing touches that the rchitect feels he must add.

Little by little, these common ocurrences increase the scope (and cost) is a project. In fact, the cumulative effect so gradual that it is rarely recognized ntil the final summary is made. Yet rese seemingly minor items often inrease cost by from 5 to 10 per cent.

#### econd contingency: probable evelopments as design proceeds

his element can best be described as the estimator's contingency." It is an allowance for costs that will eventually materialize in the final design stages, even without an increase in scope. It is based on the estimator's interpretation of the documents at hand and any additional information he has received from the architect. Rarely, if ever, does this data represent 100 per cent of the architect's thinking and intentions in terms of cost. As a result, the estimator must anticipate quantities on some items to accurately portray their total cost. These might include utility lines, equipment, outside site work, etc. which, though incomplete on the drawings, must certainly be considered.

The estimator's contingency is usually no lower than 5 per cent and is often as high as 10 or 15 per cent.

These first two contingencies are both allowances for costs which are *implicit* in the early stages of design and become *explicit* in the later stages. Here the resemblance ends. The estimator's contingency indicates those costs which will accrue as the result of the *existing* scope at the early design stages. The contingency for normal increases in scope represents the allowance for any *additional* considerations that the architect might incorporate into the design as the project evolves.

#### Third contingency: projected costs in a rising market

This element might be called the construction cost escalation factor. An estimate based on current costs and nothing else is of little value to the architect or his client. Costs change, and all estimates must indicate the costs that will prevail when the contractors tender their bids no matter how far in the future that time may be.

This cost escalation factor must reflect a number of elements, including labor availability and wages, material availability and prices, contractor interest, number and types of other construction projects that may be undertaken at the same time, economic factors at the job location and length of construction duration. Unlike the other two contingencies, the construction cost escalation factor is a function of location and time, and will, therefore, vary accordingly.

#### Contingency allowances may be redundant in some cases

Proper application of 'hese three contingencies requires a knowledge of when and how they should be used. For example, the normal scope increase and the estimating contingency should not be applied to estimates based solely on squarefoot costs. Because these units reflect the total area of the building and the historical unit cost for that type building including contingencies, the square-foot cost estimate is, in itself, a total cost consideration.

It is incorrect to include these contingencies over again, as in the following example for a hospital:

325,000 square feet @ \$35.00	
or 325 beds @ \$35,000.00 =	\$11,525,000.00
Normal increase in scope—5% =	576,250.00
Estimator's contingency—10% =	1,152,500.00
Total	\$13,263,750.00

Whether based on area or number of beds, that number times the unit cost represents the historically established cost of the completed project. The use of either the "scope" or "development" contingency components would be redundant in this case, although, of course, normal escalation would still apply. The unit costs represent current costs and it is necessary to indicate the projected escalation to the bid date, in this manner:

325,000 square feet @ \$35.00	=	\$11,525,000.00
Escalation factor-12%	=	1,383,000.00
Total Cost		
(as of some future date)		\$12,908,000.00

If this factor is buried in the unit cost figure, the result is misleading. It is not apparent how much the estimator thinks the hospital costs at the present time. Changes in scope are difficult to analyze meaningfully when factors other than the costs of material and labor are included. By keeping this factor separate,





the architect is assisted in evaluating whether his budget is reasonable.

#### How to use allowances

for "scope" and "development" changes The normal increase in scope and the estimator's contingency should be used when the estimate represents a summary of individual costs based on a quantitative analysis. If, for example, the general construction trades were estimated by detailed take-offs of excavation, concrete, structural steel, masonry, plastering, etc., then these contingences should be applied to these trades. If, on the same estimate, the mechanical and electrical portions were based on square-foot unit costs, then there would be no need for either continguency to be applied to those portions.

Both the normal increase in scope and the estimator's contingency are most critical in the schematic and design development phases. They represent actual costs that will eventually materialize as the design progresses toward completion. As the design reaches the construction document phase, these become smaller and smaller. In the final analysis there should be no increase in scope and virtually no estimating contingency.

The construction cost escalation factor decreases as the bid date is approached. The relevant costs are those that, on the average, will prevail during the life of the project.

The relationship of these contingencies to the total cost of the project is shown in the charts in various design stages. Figure 1 demonstrates the desired results from the successful application of each contingency. Figure 2 indicates what may happen if any one of the three is not considered in the early phases. One of two situations might has caused the results shown in Figure 2. Th architect might have overestimated (a been poorly advised) on his leeway i increase the project's scope. Or wors when the initial estimate showed th project to be over the budget, the cotingencies were reduced. While this the fastest and easiest way to reduce a estimate, the architect is deceiving hin self by permitting this. The most pruder way to assure a return to the budget this stage is to investigate the initial de sign. Later it might become a cost necessity.

#### General indexes are not intended for use in firm job estimates

A contingency for escalation in costs frequently difficult to assess and eve more difficult to sell to a client. Sever cost indexes are available which sho current trends but these are almost in variably misleading when applied direct to the estimating process.

The first problem encountered the use of published indexes lies with th assumptions implicit in extrapolating r cent history to arrive at anticipated futur costs. Costs in future may not, of cours behave as they have in the past. But le evident in the use of indexes, and the more troublesome, is their frequent in adequacy to describe even past co trends (especially in the short run) wit the sensitivity required for accuracy i actual job estimating.

Indexes are generally either statist cal composites of component cos (labor, lumber, cement, etc.) or are statistical summaries of as-bid or as-bui contract costs In both types, short-terr local market conditions are discounted

In the "composite of components approach, market conditions—such a premium labor costs, competition be tween bidders, and local constructio capacity—are not included.

In the "summary of contract costs method, these factors are included, bu may be submerged in the amalgam of construction types treated (competitiv contracts, negotiated contracts, owne builder developments). Then, too, th approach to cost indexing suffers from lack of consistency in the standards use for collecting and reporting data.

While cost indexes are useful i many planning applications, they are n substitute for projections of cost base on firsthand research—interviews wit contractors, labor unions, chambers of commerce, and others who are int mately familiar with the economic fact tors which influence costs at the proposed job site. Contingencies for coescalation should be based on such research wherever possible.

#### **BUILDING COSTS**

#### NDEXES AND INDICATORS

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#### AY 1967 BUILDING COST INDEXES

		1941 averages for each city $=$ 100.0							
Metropolitan area	Cost	Current Do	% change year ago						
	differential	residential	non-res. res.	& non-res.					
U.S. Average	8.5	279.4	297.6	+2.22					
Atlanta	7.2	317.8	337.1	+3.19					
Baltimore	7.7	278.2	296.0	+0.66					
Birmingham	7.5	257.7	2/7.1	+2.24					
Chicago	8.9	309.6	325.6	+2.52					
Cincinnati	8.8	266.2	282.9	+1.45					
Cleveland	9.2	287.0	305.0	+2.42					
Dallas	7.7	262.1	270.7	+2.29					
Denver	8.3	283.6	301.5	+1.02					
Detroit	8.9	287.6	302.0	+4.44					
Kansas City	8.3	250.3	264.9	+1.47					
Los Angeles	8.3	284.2	311.0	+1.98					
Miami	8.4	273.8	287.4	+1.83					
Minneapolis	8.8	278.3	295.8	+2.24					
New Orleans	7.8	251.4	266.4	+2.06					
New York	10.0	294.9	317.2	+3.96					
Philadelphia	8.7	277.1	290.9	+1.95					
Pittsburgh	9.1	259.4	275.8	+1.15					
St. Louis	9.1	278.1	294.7	+2.83					
San Francisco	8.5	363.2	397.4	+3.10					
Seattle	8.4	254.5	284.4	+2.03					

ferences in costs between two cities may be compared by dividing the cost difential figure of one city by that of a second; if the cost differential of one city .0) divided by that of a second (8.0) equals 125%, then costs in the first city are 6 higher than costs in the second. Also, costs in the second city are 80% of those the first ( $8.0 \div 10.00 = 80\%$ ) or they are 20% lower in the second city.

e information presented here indicates trends of building nstruction costs in 21 leading cities and their suburban areas ithin a 25-mile radius). Information is included on past and esent costs, and future costs can be projected by analysis of st trends.

#### ECONOMIC INDICATORS



#### STORICAL BUILDING COST INDEXES-AVERAGE OF ALL BUILDING TYPES, 21 CITIES

												1941 avera	ge for ea	ach city :	= 100.00
Metropolitan area	1952	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1 1st	966 (Q 2nd	uarterly 3rd	) 4th	1 1st	967 (Q 2nd	uarterly 3rd	4th
U.S. Average	213.5	259.2	264.6	266.8	273.4	279.3	284.9	286.3	287.3	290.4	286.6	292.7	-	-	-
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sts in a given city for a certain period may be compared with costs in another tod by dividing one index into the other; if the index for a city for one period 0.0) divided by the index for a second period (150.0) equals 133%, the costs in the one period are 33% higher than the costs in the other. Also, second period costs are 75% of those in the first period (150.0+200.0=75%) or they are 25% lower in the second period.



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#### What's ahead for the construction industry

ght now the building business is feeling hat I'll call "policy backlash". Many of e economic policies adopted by govnment to cope with the unusually rong inflationary pressures of the past ar-tight money, suspension of the instment tax credit 1 and accelerated deeciation, sharp cutbacks in certain Fedal programs-such as highways-have id an unusually severe impact on conruction. In 1966, the credit-starved busing industry had its worst year in to decades; and many types of nonsidential activity, though at record vels, have lost much of their steam. In e midst of unprecedented general proserity, the building business is clearly wing its trouble.

Unpleasant as these facts are, we can ford to be optimistic about two things. ne is that the currently weak construcon market is by no means a reflection of e true strength of demand. The other is at there are signs that the worst of the edit crisis is already behind us.

Now, rather than focus on what is sically a set of artificial market condions, I'd like to deal with something a hole lot more real-that is what will be oppening once the construction mart begins functioning without today's straints.

In this larger frame of reference, the ain thing to keep in mind is the very sic role that construction plays in our onomy. Construction is woven in the ry fabric of our lives—first and foreost, of course, as our homes, but also e places where we work, where we buy, here we get our education and take our creation, and the many transportation, ater supply, and sanitation facilities we ted to support our very existence. Quite turally, then, any look at the future of

While President Johnson has requested an mediate restoration of the 7 per cent instment tax credit, there is a proposal before ngress to impose a 6 per cent surcharge on rporate income taxes which, according to CGraw-Hill's annual survey of business plans ige 81), has already reduced industry's investent plans for this year and next by \$276 million d \$363 million respectively. construction has to begin with the structure of the population itself. How many people, how many families will there be, and what will be their needs?

And while that is the cornerstone of the problem, it's by no means the whole issue. After all, needs arise from more than just the *growth* of our population. How much of our now existing stock of buildings and other facilities will need *replacement* over the next decade or two? Too much of it is already in a thoroughly dilapidated state. One out of three new housing units currently being built is a replacement for a demolished structure, and still there are millions of substandard housing units presently being lived in (or should I say "existed in"?).

We boast of a network of more than three-and-a-half million miles of streets and highways. Yet, less than half of them are surfaced, and one out of every four miles is nothing more than dirt.

Then, too, how about our stock of perfectly sound and adequate structures? How do we know that in 10 or 20 years these facilities will be in the right places? Will they be where the people are who will want to use them? This problem of location has at least two faces. One is the broad regional shift of the nation's population; the other involves the balance within all regions of the country—between the growth of the central city and its suburbs.

And that's only the needs or the demand side of the equation. Once having established a basis for how much construction of each type will be required, and where it will be most effectively situated, there's the other half of the problem that concerns who will provide it and how. What proportion of tomorrow's construction will be privately initiated and how much publicly sponsored? How will it be built-the vital issue of low onsite productivity as opposed to prefabrication, changes in the kinds of materials that will go into future projects and the substitution of one material for another that is bound to take place, problems of design, progress in getting outmoded building codes up to date-in short, all

the questions involving the progress of building technology. Finally, how will future construction be financed? Will there be a sufficient flow of funds to make it possible to meet all our future needs, or will there be a credit gap?

Obviously, it would be far too big a job to try to tie down all these loose ends of the future. And so, I'm going to deal mainly with the demand side of the equation—the needs of society for various types of construction in the decade or more ahead of us. And to do that, we'll first have to draw a few generalizations about the kind of society whose needs the construction industry will be responding to.

#### Postwar suburban expansion:

a response to the needs of "Veteran" Roughly 20 years ago we embarked on a period when just about all marketing effort was directed at meeting the needs of a guy known as "Veteran." After five years of deprivation, his wants backed up with plenty of cash and lots of available credit—were for a time almost insatiable. For the building industry, these conditions brought a housing boom of staggering proportions.

But it meant a lot more than just a temporary housing boom. It brought, in many respects, a new way of life. The post-war suburban shift made us a nation of homeowners, instead of predominantly renters as we had been up to the Forties. And life in the suburbs brought with it a lot of other changes, to: a new retailing concept of the shopping center based on the suburbanite's almost fanatical devotion to the automobile; decentralized light manufacturing in newlycreated industrial parks, a tremendous wave of educational building brought on by the fact that "Veteran" had moved away from the existing schools and besides this, he was producing little students at an astounding rate. His acquisitive urges prompted the construction of vast industrial capacity during the Fifties; his mobility demanded the development of a \$40-billion highway network. And more. Lots more.

It was inevitable, though, that the great stimulus of the new post-war society would eventually taper off. No one can say exactly when it happened. Some markets eased back in the middle Fifties; others heid up somewhat longer. There's little question, though, that by the beginning of the Sixties, "Veteran" had had his day. He had lost his distinguishing characteristics and blended into society.

I suppose that if we wanted to make a better story out of it, we could call the Sixties a period of the "Return of Veteran"—a kind of second round of demand, if you will, in which the affluence that was an outgrowth of the very boom conditions he had helped to create was now leading him to upgrade his position where he could. He needed a larger house to hold his larger family, a second car, perhaps, and a taste of the good life as he began to spend more on leisure and recreation. But like most secondary effects, the impact of the "Return of Veteran" was dispersed and diffused.

#### What needs will dominate the future?

With this much perspective, let's now look in the other direction-forward. What forces will we be responding to in the second half of the Sixties, and, more important, during the Seventies? For the construction industry, I think there are two key forces. If, in the past two decades our markets have been shaped by the appearance of "Veteran" and by the subsequent "Return of Veteran", it follows that a very potent force in the near future is going to be-you've guessed it-"Son of Veteran". It's a simple fact of biology and arithmetic that the son (or daughter) of the first GI discharged after World War Il is now old enough to vote. And there are millions more right behind him.

But "Son of Veteran" is only one major source of future construction demand. I said there were two key forces to watch for in the years ahead. During the Fifties, in that great rush to the suburbs, we allowed a lot of other construction needs to go largely unmet. In fact, by default, we managed to create a whole package of problems that can best be summed up under the heading of The Urban Crisis. The basis for the huge building boom of the past couple of decades was the expansion of suburbia. Now the focus is shifting to the central city and its problems. Along with providing housing and the many other facilities that will be needed by our rapidly-growing young adult population, rebuilding the nation's urban areas will be the other major challenge for the construction industry in the next decade or two. Let's see if we can now get some measure of the impact that these two important forces will have on future construction

In the decade between 1966 and 1975 we are going to have to provide a total of more than 20-million new housing units of all kinds. Does that sound like a lot? It is. It means an average of twomillion units a year, and in the first year of that decade-1966-we have already fallen drastically short of that number. Bear in mind, too, that I said we are going to "have to" provide this total of housing. It's not a matter of a utopian dream, or even a desirable goal. This figure represents a kind of minimum based on nothing more than putting a decent roof over everyone's head. It represents an analysis of today's housing stock, its condition, and the expected growth in the number of families over the next 10 years. It also allows, of course, for the continued demolition and replacement of dilapidated structures as well as the existence of a small but important proportion of vacant housing units. Here's how the arithmetic of this projection works.

Last year's total stock, or inventory, of just over 65-million housing unitsand I want to make it clear at this point that I'm dealing with the broadest measure of housing which includes public and private, non-farm and farm, even mobile homes-these 65-million units served the permanent shelter needs of roughly 58million households (that's family units and individuals who live alone). There are more housing units than there are households simply because we include in the housing stock about 7-million units of which some are temporarily vacanta necessary prerequisite to our high rate of population mobility-and some that are just plain uninhabitable. The ratio of occupied housing units to the total housing stock works out to about 1.1 to 1, and we've been holding at that ratio ever since the mid-Fifties.

Biggest single need: all kinds of housing Of course, the biggest single element in the need for additional housing-the main part of the 20-million new units I spoke of-will be coming from the anticipated growth in the number of new families. And estimating the strength of this need is really not very difficult. After all, the people who will head up these new families are already very much among us, so it's largely a matter of applying a few simple actuarial-type calculations to today's young adults who will soon spin off to begin creating their own households. Before long the net addition of new households will be taking place at a rate of more than a million a year, adding a total of about 11-million more family units by 1975, and 6-million mo than that by 1980. In 1975 we'll have million, and in 1980 we'll have 74 millio families needing shelter.

The net addition of 11-milli newly formed households is only t nucleus of the nation's total housing i quirement over the next 10 years. Clo to eight million units now in use will eliminated over the next decade-sor of them by fire and storm, but a lot mo as a direct result of urban renewal or an indirect result of highway and oth construction. Also included in this to are more than a million of today's mob homes that will be retired and replac by conventional houses and apartment or by bigger (and less mobile) mobile Altogether it means eight million hom that will have to be replaced in addition to the 11 million needed to accomm date our newly formed families.

Then, in addition, still another m lion or so homes will have to be provide just to maintain flexibility in real esta markets. With our population constant on the move, it's necessary that the always be a sizeable stock of vaca housing units available for sale or real And finally, some further need for hou ing will arise from losses of existing spa through conversions and to reflect growing demand for "second" homes

And in all, then, the basic element of housing need (new family formatic replacements of losses to the existing stock, and vacancies) add up to a new to create some 20-million new housing units in the 10 years through 1975. By just the outside dimensions of this hu market aren't enough. Let's fill in a fer of the details.

Since we began with the needs the total population for shelter, it we necessary to include mobile homes part of the total demand. (And here we differentiate between year-round hom and travel trailers, which are not in cluded in the housing stock total.) The vigorous mobile home market has show very rapid growth over the past decard making strong inroads into convention housing demand.

Two characteristics of the mob home *itself* are pertinent to future projetion, though. One is that this is, a always will be, a specialized market and therefore, a limited market. T other is that owing to improvements mobiles in recent years, a higher propetion of future sales will reflect replace ment of existing smaller units. Betwe now and 1975 about three million of t total 20-million-unit-demand for shelwill be met by mobile homes.

This leaves a total of about 17 m lion conventional housing units—or family houses and apartments—as a mi um to be built through 1975 by the tion's homebuilders. It means an avere of 1.7-million units (compared to the 5-million rate for the first half of the sties), and it also means that by the ar 1975 we'll be seeing an annual dume in excess of two million units!

Now what can we say about the mposition of this conventional housing mand? Over the past half-dozen or so ars, apartment construction has grown be a very substantial part of the total w housing market-one out of every ree new housing units. And for at least e balance of the Sixties, and probably en beyond that, rental housing will ntinue to play a big part in the expandg residential picture—an even bigger irt than it has played in the recent past. impressive as the apartment boom of e Sixties has been to date, it barely met rrent needs. Building one out of every ree new housing units for the rental arket may seem a high proportion by e standards of the Forties and Fifties, it when we stop to think about it, the oportion of rental units in the total using stock is actually a bit over oneird. So, when we build in that proporon-as we have been doing recentlye are barely matching the existing mix rental and owner-occupied units.

Then when we look ahead, it is clear at by far the fastest-growing parts of e population—the young adults and e over-sixties—are the age groups that present the hard core of apartment deand. It stands to reason that for quite a hile yet, future levels of multi-family instruction must move substantially ove the volume of recent years.

A second reason to anticipate a connued high proportion of apartment ilding in the decade ahead is the ineased effort that is being put into lying the problem of urban blight. After years of reacting to the desires of milies for suburban living, we are being quired to refocus our attention to the oblems of the city. In a sense, by miating to the suburbs we tried to escape any of these problems, and they have ily intensified out of neglect.

What are some of the main probms of the urban area, and how do they volve construction?

The outward signs of urban deteriotion are often revealed in economic ms: high unemployment, low incomes, n-down housing, outmoded and inequate facilities, and a general pollun of the environment—air, water, en noise. But these are, in most cases, ly the symptoms of the underlying ciological roots of the problem; poor ucation, lack of job skills, racial barrs, and extreme population density.

#### We must cope with the city as an act of will

As the noted architect Edmond Bacon (executive director of Philadelphia's City Planning Commission) puts it in his soonto-be-published book "Design of Cities", the urban area can no longer be passed off as a "grand accident" which is beyond human control; the city must be made an "act of will", substituting direction and planning for the default, neglect, and abandonment that has led to its state of decay (RECORD; January, p. 113).

And just what are we doing to exert our wills over this "grand accident" we call the city?

For the past 18 years our attack on the city slums has been concentrated in the form of the Urban Renewal program. And while some of the achievements under this slum clearance and redevelopment scheme have been quite spectacular—Philadelphia, Boston, New Haven, San Francisco, to name a few cities where UR has worked big changes—it has not been an unqualified success. Perhaps its shortcoming has been that UR is real estate-oriented instead of people-oriented; that it treats the symptoms of urban decay—the buildings—but fails to get to the roots of the problem.

Only now are we beginning to confront the urban problem in all its aspects. And this means getting at the deep-down causes at the same time we treat day-today symptoms. Besides welfare payments, new programs are geared to provide the tools of self-help and developemnt, such as Head Start and the Job Corps. Besides just piecemeal demolition and redevelopment projects which often leave spectacular new residential and commercial buildings surrounded by slums, new programs are geared to the rejuvenation of entire neighborhoods. Besides the bulldozer and relocation systems of Urban Renewal, new programs now seek opportunities to rehabilitate rundown but still structurally sound housing, avoiding the need to relocate residents.

The most convincing evidence that a new and vigorous approach to the urban problem is underway is the creation, a little over a year ago, of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. This recognition, at the cabinet level, of the need to go deeper than Urban Renewal for the solution to this problem has been backed up by several important new pieces of legislation: the Housing Act of 1965 with its provisions for rent supplements and its emphasis on rehabilitation; the more recent Demonstration Cities Act which requires that renewal programs include housing for a whole range of income groups and stresses that they also provide for health, welfare, recreation, and other social services necessary—and this is the key— "to change the total environment of the neighborhood's residents".

Two other developments fit into this new pattern of urban restoration.

One of them involves revitalizing the archaic transit systems that have given most of our cities hardening of the arteries. Following San Francisco's outstanding example, many other major cities are taking a hard look at their facilities in relation to current and future traffic. Many alternate schemes are under consideration: high-speed trains, subways, monorails, as well as the more prosaic but still important modes of travel involving buses, roads, parking facilities, and terminals. What is best for one city is not necessarily the answer for another, but one thing is sure-metropolitan transit will soon be one of the biggest heavy construction jobs ahead of us. One estimate, by the president of an engineering firm working on the Bay Area Rapid Transit project calls for spending more than a billion dollars a year over the next decade alone. And if we don't we're liable to find that by the time the SST is airborne, it'll take longer to go crosstown than from coast-to-coast.

The other recent development I mentioned concerns the environment of the city. Recently a TV comic said that "New York is the only city where you have to go indoors to get a breath of fresh air." I would only add that this same gag could probably be applied equally well to just about any metropolis in the country, and it puts the finger on an area in which we are only beginning to recognize a need for action. The war on both air and water pollution—as still another aspect of the urban problem—will unquestionably be escalated many-fold in the decade ahead.

These trends reveal an important change that is now in progress. The problem of urban decay was recognized a long time ago. Urban Renewal, beginning back in 1949, was a first attempt to deal with it on a project-by-project basis. And while a lot of slums were cleared, and a lot of good (and some not so good) buildings were put in their place, UR never really came to grips with the real issues. Only now are we seeing a coordinated public and private approach to the urban problem in all of its aspects: the socioeconomic issues of race, education, and employment; housing needs, involving both new construction and rehabilitation (where it is feasible); the environmental problems of recreation, transportation, and pollution control. It is only through this kind of a total approach that we will eventually recreate the kind of climate which will attract large amounts of private capital back to the city.

This "second-stage" of urban redevelopment, along with the other dynamic force of the future—our rapidly-growing young adult population, will be the sources of accelerated construction growth during the next 10 or 15 years. Briefly, let's see what they mean in the way of *specific* demands for construction.

It's been said that we build housing to satisfy *current* needs, that we build industrial and commercial capacity for *future* demand, and that most other construction is a matter of catching up with the needs of the past.

Like most glib generalizations, this one has some elements of truth in it, though maybe it states the case a bit too strongly.

There is certainly something to the point that homebuilding is geared largely to the needs of the present. It's only in rare cases—war, credit scarcities, and other emergencies—that housing demand is likely to be postponed, and once the emergency is over, the backlog of demand is soon fulfilled.

Right now, we're smack in the middle of such an emergency housing market, building only a little more than a million new housing units when we should be building more than a million and a half of them. We're accumulating a backlog of housing demand right now that's second only to the one from World War II. And pretty soon—perhaps in 1968, or as soon as credit conditions permit—we're going to see another boom housing year—maybe even a two-million unit year.

But this should not be confused with the underlying growth in housing demand I mentioned earlier. Once this backlog is met, we'll be settling down to a nice, healthy rate of growth that will put us in the two-million-a-year neighborhood to stay. And we'll be there before 1975.

#### **Business building will follow cycles**

Now, what about industrial and commercial building? If business-related construction is geared to the future, there's a pretty strong rate of growth implied there, too. But watch out for this one. Business capital spending is notoriously cyclical, and more often than not the short-term changes in business-related construction overshadows the underlying growth trend. That's certainly where we stand right now with industrial and commercial building at the peak of a very strong period of expansion-three back-to-back years of 15 per cent gains. Even though there's little excess capacity in existence at present, it would be highly unrealistic to expect continued growth at anything like this phenomenal rate. In fact, the next couple of years are likely to

bring a mild reaction to the recent capital boom with an easing back from the current peak rate of industrial building. And this in turn will likely be followed by another period of growth.

#### Community facilities, public and private, will offer real opportunities

This leaves us the final category on construction—what I'll call community facilities. And if our analysis of the growing importance of urban rebuilding in the years ahead is on the right track, there should be some real opportunities here.

Current total spending for community facilities by both the public and private sectors involves an outlay of more than \$30 billion. And about three-quarters of that total—more than \$20 billion —represents direct outlays for construction. Transportation and education (in other words, highways and schools) are the big ticket items, and together, they are worth about two-thirds of the total. The rest covers construction of electric and gas utilities, sewer and water facilities, hospital and health buildings, and recreational facilities.

These, you'll recognize, are the construction types that tend to lag behind the requirements of society. Because there already exists a backlog of needs for these community facilities—owing to a lessthan-adequate volume of construction in the past—and because within the last couple of years there has been a veritable flood of legislation providing funds for their development, we can look for a vigorous growth of community facilities construction in the years ahead.

By 1975—that is, in less than 10 years—spending for community-related construction will have doubled to a rate of more than \$40 billion. This works out to a compound annual growth rate of 6 per cent—a much better rate of increase than the construction industry as a whole has been showing so far in the Sixties. Briefly, here's how some of the individual categories stack up.

At the lower end of the scale we find the utilities with their projected rate of about 5 per cent per year. Utilities capacity has always been well-planned, and as a result, a minimum of backlog of need exists here. So, we can anticipate that future growth will be about in line with general economic expansion.

Also in the 5-per-cent-a-year class is educational building. This category, which reflects the growth in school enrollment, saw sharp development during the Fifties when the famous "population explosion" hit the elementary schools. Now, as these postwar kids are reaching college age, school building needs will ease for awhile. Bear in mind, though, that the demands on higher educational facilities will remain very strong f another couple of years.

#### Health and transportation facilities

will match average growth—with peak The growth of health and transportation facilities over the next decade will jue about match the 6 per cent average raof community construction as a who Programs like Medicare will provide a expanding demand for hospitals, nuring homes, and extended-care uni Specialized needs such as mental heal are also adding to basic demand. Sin 1960, construction of hospital and heal treatment buildings has doubled; it w double again by 1975.

The eight billion dollars present being spent on transportation constrution will become 15 billion or moby 1975. Far and away the biggest part today's transportation dollars—seven the eight billion—goes into roadbuildir and much of it through the Interstate an ABC Federal-aid highway programs. I time to start anticipating some chang here.

Before 1975, the huge Interstate pr gram is scheduled to be completed. At by that time we'll have added anoth 20,000 miles of new highway to t 20,000 or more already built under the scheme. But from the way we're acqu ing automobiles, it's fairly obvious the even then our highway system will st be inadequate.

There's little doubt that by the tir the Interstate is wound up, another pr gram will be taking its place. But t transportation plan, which will influen most of the Seventies, is likely to ha a different emphasis. It will almost co tainly reflect some attempt to link high way construction with urban redevelo ment. It'll mean more interchanges to i lieve the growing congestion arou cities, greater emphasis on parking cilities, and, most of all, it will conce trate on urban mass transit. We'll have watch the newly formed Department Transportation for clarification of the trends.

Finally, some of the fastest of construction growth during the ne decade will be taking place in categori like water supply and sanitation, a recreational and cultural facilitie Growth averaging between five and per cent per year can be expected these long-neglected areas.

For several years construction m kets have been going through a peri of transition—a kind of void spanning t end of the postwar boom years and t beginning of the next wave of grow In this slow period it has sometim seemed as though the fastest-growi thing about construction was its cost.

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## HARTFORD PLAZA AND OLD ST. MARY'S RECTORY

TWO BUILDINGS IN SAN FRANCISCO BY SKIDMORE, OWINGS & MERRILL



Typical floor

Hartford Plaza's four faces are identical, their over-all pattern a staccato rhythm against the sky. The three buildings shown in this site planthe church, a relic of the 1906 earthquake and fire-the new rectory and the Hartford Plaza-strongly relate to each other although each has a separate and distinct chronology. The Church is the oldest; the office building came next, and the new Rectory-by the same architects as Hartford-was finished just last year. At the rear of the office building is a restaurant building, entered from the plaza, shown with the interior layout as designed by SOM.

### HARTFORD PLAZA

A a square tower which rises free against the skyline, is a 33-story office building on steep California Street in San Francisco's financial district. The site is a constricted interior lot, surrounded on three sides by buildings but with the unusual advantage of facing on the south (opposite page) a public park —St. Mary's Square. In other directions, too, the location is advantageous. On the west are two low buildings, Old St. Mary's Church of historic and sentimental interest to San Franciscans, and its new Rectory. On the north is Chinatown with its generally low building height. And on the east, California Street's grade difference makes the adjacent eight-story building the equivalent of Hartford's first four stories.

The fact that the building rises free of other buildings was, however, the basis of controversy which raged over the proposed building from its first announcement. What has happened since then points up the dynamics of the city: where Hartford seemed to some to pose a threat to the scale and





character of the area because of its 33-story height and a predicted "glassiness" (which did not materialize; in actuality the building seems more concrete than glass), a larger scale impends which will again change the area. For it is in this neighborhood—on Kearny Street and California, across from Hartford's only other present tall neighbor, the 22-story International Building—that the Bank of America is building its 55-story world headquarters building.

Although Hartford Plaza's site is small for the amount of space called for in the program, the use of the site at street level achieves an openness which belies the confined location. A 28-foot high loggia surrounds the lobby with light and air—a bold and controversial architectural solution, for the sides and backs of adjoining buildings hem in the loggia and there is no escaping them. A 12-foot wall of dark brick partially screens the plaza from these buildings on the east, and along a part of the north and west walls. On the north the screen is broken for the facade and entrance to the cafeteria which occupies the north extension of the plaza. On the west, the screen stops for surprising reason: to open up the loggia to the garden of the Rectory next door and to permit thereby a delightful, if unconventional, exchange of spatial experiences. Because of the interior location, little sunlight reaches the farther recesses of the plaza, and even the Rectory garden has sun only in summer The California Street side of the loggia, however, gets full sur all year, and since the entire street floor is used as entrance to the building (there is no rental space at this level), the loggia, o plaza, makes an inviting element in the streetscape, and i offers, as well, a sophisticated and amiable counterpart to the Rectory and Church next door.

HARTFORD PLAZA, San Francisco, California. Owner: The Hartfor Insurance Group. Architects-engineers: Skidmore, Owings & Merril general contractor: Dinwiddie Construction Company; constructio consultant: Carl A. Morse.





When the old Rectory had to be rebuilt, the opportunity to open up the plaza to the Rectory and the Rectory garden to the plaza was irresistible, and the result is an exceptional—and happy—relationship between buildings of very different type, character and function. The old bridge, leading from the Rectory on the left to the parish building, survives from the earlier Rectory. The cafeteria facade is of the same dark brick as the wall which screens the plaza from its neighbors.







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The sculptural quality of the precast concrete window units was achieved by handcrafting of models from which molds were made, since some curves could be obtained only that way. Curtain walls have over 1500 units, prefinished inside and out, and permitting early occupancy floor by floor. Design neatly provides for mechanical services in space between units, and allows flexibility in partition location. Tolerances were very small both for precast units and steel building frame. Window units are 10 feet wide, 12 feet 4 inches high, 2 feet deep on typical floors, twice as high and deep on mechanical floors. Glass is solar bronze. Warm color of building comes from natural color of sand used with white cement in concrete.

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HE RECTORY

Y replaces a 57-year old building which had been found to be unrepairable. The new Rectory, designed after Hartford Plaza was completed, ties in with Old St. Mary's, of which it is a part, but is in no way incongruous with the Hartford building which it also closely adjoins. The obvious difference in scale is handled so appropriately that each building meets its obligations—architectural and functional—individually and naturally. The Rectory would be a handsome town house in any location; its location here is particularly happy for its effect on the city. The building's concrete frame is faced with red brick and trimmed with sandblasted concrete, clearly recalling the old church. The entrance detail (right), however, is the key to the building's character: sensitively detailed, but essentially a strong and masculine building. The photograph above shows the Rectory in its setting between old and new.

OLD ST. MARY'S PARISH RECTORY, San Francisco, California. Owner: The Roman Catholic Archbishop of San Francisco. Architect-engineers: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; general contractor: Cahill Construction Co.





The chapel, used daily for meditation, and for mass by visiting priests, is on the second floor, secluded yet accessible-a retreat, not from life, but to quiet. The all-white room is accented by the colors of Mark Adams' vibrant concrete-and-glass window and his softer-hued wall panel of the Stations. The dark stone altar is free-standing, with a small crucifix at its front, and the ciborium recessed in the wall behind. The chairs are from the old rectory. The dining room, also on the second floor, has both a cheerful and a monastic air. Dark-stained oak is used for trim and for the north wall with its handsomely detailed double doors and storage space crafted with old-fashioned skill. The chandelier was designed by the architects.



## Recent work of EVANS WOOLLEN

Five projects designed by a young Indiana architect, who offers, below, some ideas about architecture and environment. He points out the need for new rules and new viewpoints, and suggests that, beyond consistency, something incomplete, changing, and unknown is wanted in both buildings and men...



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 Since the environment is "in," has the individual building dissolved into the scheme of things? Not perceptibly, so far. Much work continues to be designed and judged out of context. I do not advocate relaxing all the rules, but it is time to choose, discard, or make a rule for a particular case. It is time to stop being concerned about consistency in one's own architecture-a selfish concern, at that. People and cities are vigorously inconsistent and we love them all the more. The pop artist has persuaded us to look again at the cityscape; to see that order and irrationality may coexist happily, and that the whole raucous fabric may potentially be art. There is room for many viewpoints, provided the atmosphere is liberal and respectful. Architects could be more respectful of existing spaces, of older forms, of the very spirit of a place and its purpose.

The primary commitment seems to be the effective expression of use patterns, for such patterns stretch beyond the building into the fabric of the city. Structural clarity seems less important than this expression.

Those who still wish to bind a loose and natural assemblage of uses into some formal order may be encouraged to do so when the context is kept in view. Perfection is unobtainable, and the idea of it boring. Something incomplete, changing, and unknown is wanted in both buildings and men.

More collaboration might help. We collaborate with the past and the present; we thrive on the continuing argument and opposition about us. We need help; we are not alone, but are—at best—involved.

-Evans Woollen

A small college library made square to honor its several approaches Although the cubic volume of this college library will not be as great as that of several surrounding buildings yet to be constructed, it will become the center of gravity of a major campus space—open but bounded—and thus express its importance in the life of the place.

The library's square form, in the words of the architect, "honors its several approaches and location." He further explains that "study carrels are plugged into a strong frame; the stacks form a square ring about the reading areas; and the floor of a bay is here and there omitted to relieve the building's density and relate one floor to another."

The open stairway eases the trip between levels and will accommodate, within its volume, small lounges and exhibit areas. The basement will house seminar rooms, a lecture hall, and nighttime study facilities.

LIBRARY FOR MARIAN COLLEGE, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA. Architects: Evans Woollen and Associates; structural engineers: Fink, Roberts and Petrie; mechanical and electrical engineers: Rotz Engineering Company.





The exposed structural frame will be of The exposed structural frame will be of poured-in-place concrete; vertical runs of ducts and pipes will be exposed at the star columns throughout the build-ing. Exterior finishes: sandblasted con-crete, infilling of red brick to match that in existing buildings, gray glass. The library—for a liberal arts college of 1,200 students—will house a collection of 200.000 volumes.

of 200,000 volumes.









Federal office building with horizontal mass and canted facade bounds plaza space The tilted, horizontal facade of this office building—raised 24 feet above grade—serves as an enclosing element for an open plaza, or mall, in the heart of Indianapolis. Extending north and south from a war memorial to a library, the plaza is bounded on the west by a cathedral and asks for containment on the east. The dominant existing line is vertical: cathedral, obelisk, high-rise apartments. In this context a horizontal form abets the sense of enclosure, which is strengthened by the inward tilt of the upper structure.

The five office floors will provide 290,000 square feet of flexible, all-purpose space, since no special or permanent functions were required except for a cafeteria. Parking for 500 cars will be provided on two split-levels, one above and the other below grade. Penthouses, cooling towers, and stair bulkheads were located on the roof as function dictated. The core is set off-center in plan in order to furnish a larger central assignable office space.

FEDERAL OFFICE BUILDING, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA. Architects: Evans Woollen and Associates; structural engineers: Herbert Fleischer and Associates; mechanical and electrical engineers: Rotz Engineering Company; lighting consultant: William Lam.







A poured-in-place concrete frame will be exposed under the five-floor office block, which will be clad in precast wall sections of bay length, 23 feet, 4 inches. Mullions will be located 4 feet, 8 inches on centers, following the modular grid. Each floor will overhang the one below by 14 inches; spans are doubled in the lower arcade to increase the sense of openness and emphasize the separation of the upper block from the earth. The mechanics of opera will be handled by the large stages; while the production factory required—scene shops, carpentry shops, costume making, ballet and rehearsal studios, and other facilities—will occupy a ring with opaque walls extending around the entire building at an upper level. Various kinds of vertical circulation will be located in four semicylindrical towers. The structure will be an exposed concrete frame and walls, with steel trusses over the auditorium and stage house.







Design for university opera house groups working elements about cylindrical auditorium The Indiana University music school excels in opera, staging at least eight complete productions per year. Thus, their new opera house must seat 1,500 and include all the work spaces required to produce opera, as well as the necessary backstage machinery and lighting equipment.

The design separates the basic elements and reassembles them about a cylindrical main house. The theater will be wide and shallow—for visual acuity—and will have a flexible proscenium. The steeply raked floor will help surmount the gulf of the orchestra; caliper stages may be used if the performance demands.

MUSICAL ARTS CENTER, INDIANA UNIVERSITY, BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA. Architects: Evans Woollen and Associates; structural engineers: Fink, Roberts and Petrie; mechanical and electrical engineers: Rotz Engineering Company; theater architecture: Ben Schlanger; stage lighting consultant: Jean Rosenthal; public lighting consultant: William Lam; flexible proscenium consultant: Olaf Soot; acoustical consultants: Bolt, Beranek and Newman. EVANS WOOLLEN

Structure and plan work together in high-rise public housing for the elderly In this high-rise apartment building near downtown Indianapolis, concrete shear walls are not only the principal structural elements, but act to separate individual living units as well. The flat concrete floor slabs, 9 inches in thickness, are supported by the shear walls, as are the tilted, precast spandrels.

In urban context, the tall structure preserves the openness of its triangular plot by small ground coverage, and forms a visual baffle that directs the eye back towards the center of the city, only a few blocks away.

The form of the building evolved directly from the program, which called for 248 living units; 78 for two persons, and 170 for one. The top six floors contain the larger apartments, the lower 14 floors the smaller ones. The 15th, or dividing, floor is devoted to open galleries, recreation, and mechanical space; the ground floor houses the manager's office, lounge, mail room, and additional mechanical space. Each apartment includes a living room, bedroom, kitchenette, and bath. The smaller units are 430 square feet in area; the larger ones 537. Architect Woollen explains that the economics of the double-loaded corridor scheme were difficult to beat, despite considerable study of possible alternate plans.

Ceilings and party walls will be exposed concrete; partitions of dry-wall construction. The \$3.5-million building is now under construction, and scheduled to be completed in the spring of 1968.

PUBLIC HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA. Architects: Evans Woollen and Associates; structural engineers: Fink, Roberts and Petrie; structural consultants: Kolbjorn Saether; mechanical and electrical engineers: Rotz Engineering Company; general contractor: George Bahre Company.









Hillside house provides amenity and privacy by grouping of three towers about a great hall

This house in suburban Indianapolis makes the most of its sloping site by exploiting a three-level disposition of spaces for maximum livability and privacy. The parti consists of a great hall-two stories in height-as the dominant central element, which serves as a rallying point for a loose assemblage of three towers. The master bedroom suite is located on the topmost level, which is devoted entirely to the parents. The four children (actually young adults) occupy two wings at the lowest level, and have separate entrances. The third wing at this level houses work areas and a maid's room. Thus, the large hall at middle level is a nucleus to which all the other spaces-both indoor and outdoor-relate. The separation of parents and offspring works both ways to provide privacywhen desired-for each. There is the further provision that the entire lower floor can be shut off when the children are away at school and a maid not required, so the parents are not forced to live with empty rooms.

Architect Evans Woollen points out that the large scale and high ceiling of the central hall were born of the effort to accommodate the owner's existing furniture. It was necessary to design the space about several large pieces and a tapestry —see photo at left. Since the furniture is of several stylistic periods, the chaste enclosure of unadorned white plaster seemed to be the most appropriate milieu for it.

RESIDENCE FOR BARRON MALLORY, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA. Architects: Evans Woollen and Associates; structural engineers: Fink, Roberts and Petrie; mechanical and electrical engineers: Muffett, Nicholas and Stevenson; general contractor: Pierson Construction Company.









Structure and materials: the concrete foundation supports masonry bearing walls which are faced with brick recovered from an old factory; the floor system consists of steel girders and wood joists. Finish walls and ceilings throughout are of white plaster; doors and trim are of natural ash; floors are oak, except that in the dining room, which is of hexagonal quarry tile; roof terraces are floored with monolithic terrazzo with a rough finish; the exterior spandrels are precast concrete.



Two libraries by Harrison and Abramovitz: in one, lighting, air conditioning, and structure are skillfully interwoven; in the other, spaces and levels are put to work to bring students, faculty, and the artifacts of learning into closer relationship

### right new use-and new form-for the monitor skylight

The horizontal, spreading character of this library in New Jersey—and its pleasantly lighted interior spaces—resulted from the bringing together of roof structure, skylighting, air conditioning, and artificial lighting into a single, overhead system that serves the entire building area. This means that all interior spaces are well lighted, and partitions can be placed where desired. In addition, the visual integrity of the entire interior space is maintained—in this case —by ending all solid partitions and bookshelves at the seven and one-half foot line, with glazing above. The smaller building is a separate mathematics wing connected to the library proper by a glass-enclosed link. This structure is the first element of a future mathematics center for The Institute.

LIBRARY, The Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, New Jersey. Architects: Harrison & Abramovitz; structural engineer: Paul Weidlinger; mechanical engineers: Meyer, Strong & Jones; general contractor: Matthews Construction Company.



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LIBRARY, INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY







The pleasant effect the overhead system creates is shown in the photos; the details at left show the construction. The glazed, shaped, concrete beams-which incorporate a hollow duct space-span 40 feet, and are supported by 15-inch concrete girders 5 feet deep. The girders rest on concrete columns spaced at 20 feet. Note how the curved soffit and haunch of a typical beam picks up the daylight from the north-facing glass panels and reflects it downward-or, at night, serves equally well to distribute illumination from the concealed fluorescent tubes.

The space above the acoustic tile ceiling of the 10-foot-wide corridor serves as a longitudinal duct connecting the lateral ducts in the concrete beam system.



The aspect of the library from on down the hill to the south is shown above, with the mathematics wing at right. Note that the roof structure is clearly expressed; one sees the pairs of girders supporting the glazed beams, and notes the corridor space between. The lower floor-glazed on two sides-is devoted mostly to stacks, but also houses storage, mechanical equipment, microfilm, and shipping areas. The entrance side of the buildings is shown below. One-by-four teakwood boards, with rabbeted, shiplap joints, are arranged in a variety of panels which become the exterior finish.

LIBRARY, INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY



In this much larger, four-level library at Radcliffe College

### courtyard unifies varied elements and spaces

The new library at Radcliffe College offers students a choice of spaces ranging from small-and-secluded through fairly-small-and-semi-private to relativelylarge-and-almost-gregarious. The design centers about a system of more than 80 alcoves on the second and third floors—comfortable alcoves varied in size —which are formed by bookstacks rather than partitions, and otherwise bounded by blank or glass walls. Above and below the alcove floors are those with larger spaces for reading, meetings, exhibits, music, cinema—and areas for faculty and staff offices. The central courtyard and its attractive open stairway serve to provide a visual rallying point that holds the design together.

THE SUSAN MORSE AND FREDERICK WHILEY HILLES LIBRARY, Radcliffe College, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Architects: Harrison & Abramovitz; structural engineers: Lev Zetlin & Associates; mechanical engineers: Cosentini Associates; electrical engineers: Eitingon & Schlossberg Associates; lighting consultant: H. Schlossberg; landscape architects: Zion & Breen Associates; general contractor: Vappi and Company.



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#### LIBRARY, RADCLIFEE COLLEGE







The two photos at right show the exterior of the building and a nighttime view of the central courtyard, picturing the interrelationship of spaces and levels. The exterior of the barrel-vaulted structure alternates infillings of limestone or bronze-colored glass; the fascias and exposed structure are of poured-in-place white concrete, sandblasted to expose the aggregate. Above the ground floor, the barrel-vaulted ceilings are open to view, and solid partitioning is carried only to an 8-foot height, with the glass above. Thus, the continuity of the indoor space and its relationship to the surrounding outdoor space is emphasized.

The plans show how the building functions. The lower main floor (not shown) houses the service entrance, book preparation area, special facilities for staff and service, and a cinema. The terrace surrounding the library serves as entrance to an adjacent new dormitory group, also designed by architects H & A.





The main-floor reference area is shown above: the open stairway connecting all levels below the penthouse is shown below. Placing the stair at the end of the courtyard and making it the same dimension welds these elements into a single, expressive one.





# NURSING EDUCATION FACILITIES

The Nurse Training Act of 1964 provides \$90 million, to be used over a fouryear period, for partial funding of new construction or expansion of nursing education facilities. This is a matching-fund program in which Federal grants cover two-thirds the cost of new schools of nursing; one-half the cost of expansions. The legislation set up grants of \$15 million to be disbursed in fiscal 1966 and \$25 million in each of three subsequent years ending June 30, 1969. As of mid-April this year, some 60 projects have been granted a total of about \$31 million. If current averages are maintained, total sponsored construction will be on the order of \$150 million in about 180 projects by the end of the present four-year program.

How effective this will be in really overcoming the nationwide and deepening shortage of trained nurses is uncertain—especially so considering Medicare's extensions of projected needs. But response to the program has underscored certain professional trends that are affecting facilities design; and it has demonstrated the vast potential of a supported construction program for meeting needs as they develop.

There is a gradual but fundamental shift taking place in the role of the registered nurse. Increasing responsibilities for supervision of aides and practical nurses in a field where techniques are rapidly changing are calling for higher and broader levels of education. In terms of architectural commissions, these changes are being reflected by increasing nursing education facilities at universities and community colleges, while the so-called diploma schools run by hospitals themselves are being curtailed as costs for maintaining them keep mounting.

One of the factors accelerating the shift of nursing education toward the colleges is the fact that costs and operating budgets are partly assumed by the college or university, often with tax money or endowments. Hence the college schools are less dependent on patient fees.

Paradoxically, in the face of acute nursing shortage, more than 100 hospital nursing schools have shut down since 1962, and another 60 of the remaining 821 such schools plan to close by next year. While college nursing schools are beginning to make up some of the resulting deficit—gaining at a rate of about a thousand graduates a year—the net gain of less than 500 is still far from adequate to meet projected needs. The Federal support program will continue for the rest of its authorized life to accelerate construction in this field, but it cannot be expected to entirely bridge the gap between an estimated need in 1970 for 850,000 registered nurses compared with fewer than 700,000 now at work full time in hospitals of the nation.

Some 60 nursing schools already have received Federal grants in a support program that will exceed \$150 million in new construction

> A changing role for nurses means that more colleges will set up schools while hospitals curtail their costly training courses

#### NURSING EDUCATION

The major force effecting the shift in role of the registered nurse derives from her increasing scarcity in proportion to the number of patients in hospitals. She has been forced more and more into supervisory capacities. Bedside care, while still the most important of her skills, is increasingly delegated to practical nurses and nurses' aides under her supervision. Meanwhile, advances in medical and surgical technology impose a requirement for a higher order of technical, psychological and even social skills on the nursing profession. Hence, the baccalaureate degree in nursing is gaining increasing precedence over the traditional hospital diploma. But this is a four-year course after which graduates still require a few months of on-the-job bedside training. The diploma or hospital training course is usually three years during which trainees do actual work on nursing floors. Hence, the array of college facilities must serve a larger pool of students if growing needs for a broadly trained fully professional nursing staff are to be met.

Prior to the Nurse Training Act of 1964, the background knowledge required for setting up architectural programs for nursing education was limited in both scope and distribution. Curricula were extremely varied, and the role of existing educational and medical spaces and faculty was difficult to define and reconcile with changing professional requirements.

The U.S. Public Health Service undertook to clarify some of these areas of confusion and in 1963 set up a Joint Committee on Educational Facilities for Nursing of the National League for Nursing and the Public Health Service. This committee, with additional help from a Surgeon General's Consultant Group on Nursing, advised the PHS staff in development of a publication, "Nursing Education Facilities: Programming Considerations and Architectural Guide" which was published in June 1964. This was followed in 1966 by a supplementary publication, "A Guide for Projecting Space Needs for Schools of Nursing." The latter is intended to assist schools of nursing in analyzing curricula in terms of space requirements, while the former is a more general overview of needs in the three categories of schools: diploma nursing programs, associated degree (two-year) programs and baccalaureate programs. Profiles of these programs are translated into architectural considerations.

The development of an architectural program for a nursing school follows patterns similar to those for other institutions, except that it is complicated by problems of fitting in with curricula that may overlap with those of the sciences and liberal arts programs of existing schools. The technique for resolving these problems is one of detailed tabulation of class sizes and schedules over a projected interval of several years. These tabulations are then converted to classroom utilization schedules and ancillary space requirements. Space requirement for nursing education may include demonstration spaces sized to accommodate beds and other hospital situations such as nursing station layouts. Much of the lecture and laboratory requirements may be borrowed from existing facilities, but the capacities of these spaces must be carefully studied in the light of projected class sizes. The examples on following pages show some of these varied requirements.

The grant program for construction is administered by the Division of Nursing of the Bureau of Health Manpower, Public Health Service. Applications for funding can be made with the help of an applicant's guide. Applications are processed through the Construction Grant Section of the Nurse Education and Training Branch of the Division of Nursing. A four-year degree plus on-the-job training takes more time per graduate so a bigger pool is needed to meet demand

Architectural programs for college nursing schools are complicated by inter-school curricula but guidelines are available


#### our-towered nursing school nd residence preserves human scale nd provides outdoor space midtown Manhattan

Skidmore College tradition of small-group living, which has en character to its exurban, liberal-arts campus in Saratoga rings, New York, has been preserved in this Manhattan exsion for a nurses' residence and education center by the hitects' design of a four-towered high-rise. This form avoids monolithic massing of a single tower of equivalent area d permits a floor plan of grouped rooms that are private, in eping with nurses' schedule requirements, while at the same he communicating in common areas at each floor and from or to floor. Classroom, library, lecture hall, administrative d faculty offices and a large recreation room are accommoted in the one-story podium which forms the base for the ver structure. Residential guarters for 200 nurse-students are ovided in clusters of single rooms in three of the towers. ked by short glass corridors. Each residential floor thus acmmodates 20 students (six in one tower and seven in the her two). The fourth tower houses two elevators, a stairwell d mechanical and electrical systems. An apartment for the ad resident and a guest is provided in the penthouse, while nthouse roof space is available to the students for sunbathg. The roof of the base-platform provides a patio above street el. The building is conveniently close to new York Univer-'s Medical Center, base hospital for the Skidmore baccareate nursing program.

DMORE COLLEGE NURSES CENTER, New York, New York. Archits: Walter Kidde Constructors, Inc.—staff architect: Peter Weisman.













#### A careful balance of closed and open spaces provides a varied pace for nursing education

A corner site on the Arizona State University campus bounded by a busy street on one side and separated by a pedestrian mall from the other university buildings—was selected for the College of Nursing, which thus marks one of the main approaches to the university. The program required the architect to provide a separate and identifiable environment for the nursing students which would emphasize their specific professional training, but which would at the same time maintain an appropriate physical and social relationship with the rest of the campus.

An unusual planter-base raises the entrance level of the five-floor building above the pedestrian mall, and visually balances the cantilever of the top two floors. An auditorium and audio-visual lecture rooms are accommodated on the lower level, with general classrooms on the first and second floors and faculty offices, library and smaller class and seminar areas on the third and fourth floors. Extensive open lobby areas provide a pleasant place for informal staff-student meeting and relaxation. All major classrooms and individual faculty offices enjoy pleasant views of the surroundings, but the library and seminar rooms are deliberately "inward-oriented" to encourage concentration. Although strongly-stated, the structure relates well to the older university buildings.

NURSING EDUCATION FACILITY, Arizona State University. Architect: George H. Schoneberger, Jr.







#### indscaped two-level court akes pleasant central focus r combined school of nursing nd nurses residence

rhaps contrary to a baccalaureate trend, the Samuel Merritt spital, Oakland, California has recently completed the chtel Hall School of Nursing, planned by architects Stone, arraccini and Patterson to combine teaching and living spaces ound an attractive two-level courtyard. A small lower court ikes a pleasant outlook for the lower-level classroom and eting room areas, the roof of which forms an upper level ck for the residence tower. The top five floors of the sevenry tower are devoted to residential space. Each of these ors contains 16 two-bed rooms with connecting baths (for ur girls on schedule!), a common room, laundry, kitchenette d storage space. Social activities are held in a handsome inge on the lobby floor. This floor also accommodates a mber of faculty offices, conference rooms and a selfntained suite of rooms for the housemother. An informal creation room with a kitchen and a handcrafts area is located the lower level, where glass walls provide it with a view of andscaped courtyard. Structure of the building is reorced concrete and brick, with each floor clearly articulated. circular auditorium and medical library is planned tor nstruction adjacent to the classroom section of the school.

CHTEL HALL SCHOOL OF NURSING AND STUDENT NURSES' SIDENCE, Samuel Merritt Hospital, Oakland, California. Architects: ne, Marraccini and Patterson—principal-in-charge: Robert J. Betcourt; contractors: MacDonald, Young & Nelson, Inc.





UPPER COURT LEVEL







#### Progressive college of nursing is planned around a large auditorium, audio-visual aids and a training laboratory

The use of closed circuit television and individual audio-visual aids was a dominant program requirement for this new College of Nursing at the University of Bridgeport. While plenty of provision has been made for small-group and individual study, a large auditorium and lecture room allows half the 400-student body at one time to watch closed-circuit television transmissions from clinical settings at associated hospitals, or to see wheeled-in demonstrations from a back-stage nursing lab. Site problems complicated the design program: a height restriction of three stories was imposed since the building is in a residential district, ground water problems precluded the use of a basement. The finished scheme, however, is both pleasant and functional, and allows for future change and expansion by providing a covered passage connection with another building 200 feet away, and by using movable walls wherever possible. Planned around the functional core of the training laboratory and auditorium, the building uses a steel frame construction with concrete floor slabs. Glazed yellow brick exterior walls with a glass facade extending the full threestory height give life to both interior and exterior.

The academic program was developed by Dean Martha P. Jayne and offers both two- and four-year courses. COLLEGE OF NURSING, UNIVERSITY OF BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTI-CUT. Architects: Lyons & Mather—partner-in-charge: Austin Mather, project architect: Alfred H. Lange.







#### ampus effect is achieved a new nursing school / landscaping the roof of a elow-grade classroom building

ederal grant under the 1964 Nurse Training Act has helped finance this projected new \$1-million classroom and office ilding for the Good Samaritan Medical Center's School of rsing. The 33,000-square-foot air-conditioned building is tated just to the west of the recently opened nurses' dormiy (photo above) to which it will be connected by a baseent-level walkway. In addition to classrooms, lecture rooms d laboratories—with capacities ranging from 20 to 250 dents—the new building will contain 25 faculty offices, conence rooms, a student health office, exhibition space and propriate supporting facilities.

In order to develop a campus approach to the complex, a architects adopted a three-level solution, which fully exbits a restricted site by depressing the classroom area below ide. In this way, the roof of the classroom building can landscaped and planted to form a campus-like quadrangle ta. The placing of the classrooms below grade also has the vantage of making it easy to provide an all-weather conction with the dormitory. The entrance to the new building placed at mid-level, between classrooms below and the ices above. The building is fireproofed and has been uipped with an elevator for the benefit of handicapped stunts and to facilitate the movement of supplies.

HOOL OF NURSING, GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, Portland, egon. Architects: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill.





#### Design for a state nursing school takes advantage of an awkward site, and echoes earlier campus buildings

Although, with 74 new students last fall, enrollment at the new Murray State College (Kentucky) Department of Nursing is running ahead of predictions, this three-story building, designed for expansion, should easily handle the load. And against future bumper enrollments, the potential for as many as four additional floors atop the classroom block is built in.

An awkward, irregular corner site (150 by 180 feet), described as "an old gravel pit, dump and hillside combined," was salvaged by earth terraces and retaining walls to accommodate the major design feature: an auditorium wing at right angles to the classroom block that takes advantage of the slope of the site and provides a small courtyard which occupies the corner itself. The main entrance, located at the junction of auditorium and classroom wings well away from corner traffic, opens on a lobby which separates the 215-seat auditorium from first-floor lecture-laboratory spaces. The latter include an individual study room, and a locker room for uniform changes. The busy corner location, as well as southern weather, may have influenced the architects to reduce windows to thin, residual strips on either side of the pre-cast concrete columns of the classroom block them and to eliminate them entirely from the projecting auditorium.

LABORATORY AND CLASSROOM BUILDING, DEPARTMENT OF NURSING, Murray State College, Murray, Kentucky. Architects: Lee Potter Smith and Associates.

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## A MONUMENTAL SMALL BANK

This bold design for a small country bank achieves a sense of dignity and permanence; its massing is a simple and direct solution to basic program needs.















CENTER STREET



Alexandre George photos

o main design considerations determined the massing in this all bank—the functional relationship between the main nking space and its supporting facilities, and the establishent of effective sun control. On the interior, the main banking ace is the dominant feature of the design and has the highest ling level. The supporting facilities on the same level are tated in areas with lower ceiling levels.

Maximum sun control is achieved by lighting the main nking space and adjoining areas by one skylight (which penetes the mechanical penthouse) and three clerestories. The restories are located over the entrances which all have deep, v, sloping sills. The only ground-floor windows are located in e north wall, where the sun is not a problem.

The main entrance to the bank had to be located to the rth at a main intersection, and so the architects designed this trance as a reentrant corner to bring light to the area. A hole t above this entrance gives additional light.

The purpose of the design, say the architects, "was to delop the optimum volumetric relationship of interdependent nctions. The clerestory windows, integrated with the pentuse, form the exterior massing. The correctness of this relanship evokes the character and permanence appropriate to banking function."





Conference room (above) benefits from natural lighting at both ends drawn from the same clerestories which light the main banking space. The vault, waiting area, and coupon-clipping booths (below) are readily accessible from the main banking area. HERNANDO BANK, Hernando, Mississippi. Architect and interior designer: Walk Jones / Mah & Jones / Architects / Inc.; structural engineer: Gardner & Howe; mechanical and electrical engineer: Allen & Hoshall; general contractor: John Cassidy Construction Company.



#### BUILDING TYPES STUDY 370

# ARCHITECTURE

Retailing is entering a transitional period, and where it will lead is uncertain. The basic design of the store building has not changed significantly—except in parts and pieces—for the past two decades, but it seems clear that change is in the wind. Although the emergent ideas are random and unorganized, certain ones tend to keep coming to the top of the simmer. Architects concerned with store design may be interested in considering a few:

The store can no longer be thought of as a goodlooking warehouse for selling goods, according to William Snaith,\* but as a means of visual communication; since today—he contends—we comprehend by seeing in more cases than by reading. Thus, the retailer's task is to point out—visually—reasons to buy, the benefits, values, and qualities of goods.

 The computer will soon be able to analyze the effectiveness of floor plans, display techniques, and new services, thus setting up completely new concepts of merchandising.

The manufacturer is increasingly reaching the ultimate consumer by:

1. Large-scale advertising, which more or less transforms the store into a place where the product is available.

2. Direct selling, due to dissatisfaction with present retailing methods and share of the market.

3. Taking an equity position in the market, especially in housing. General Electric and Alcoa are examples.

The fact that discretionary income is now up to onethird of the total tends to negate price differentials and place greater importance on quality.

• The demographic fact of youth as a market. The 18 to 34 age group is the great market of the very near future; a generation bred to affluence, knowing nothing of depressions, in rebellion against many established standards. Teenagers have \$10 billion per year to spend; will have \$20 billion in five years. The store of the 70's will be younger than—as well as different from—the store today.

\* President, Raymond Loewy-William Snaith Associates

FOR SELLING





## PROTOTYPE FOR SERVICE STATIONS: MOBIL TESTS EFFECT

In July of 1966 the Mobil Oil Corporation opened, in New England, three new and unusual service stations that were built according to a prototype design by architect-industrial designer Eliot Noves. Public reaction was favorable-consumers liked their clean lines and smart look: sales for the first six months far exceeded forecasts for the locations. On the strength of this success, Mobil is now building 55 additional stations across the country. Here is a notable example of good design benefitting business, while simultaneously performing a public service by improving-at least in part-the roadside scene.

The design is of a character that will look well in almost any situation, and is applicable to stations of any ordinary size. It consists of circular pump canopies and a greatly improved and cleaned-up service building—of brick, stone, wood, or any appropriate material—which is entered at the ends, not the front, in order to deconfuse intra-station traffic. The cantilevered, circular canopies provide shelter and act as giant lighting fixtures; are likely to become identifying trademarks for Mobil. Their number is determined by the size of the station. Mobil has also retained Noyes as general consultant for a comprehensive corporate design program.

SERVICE STATION DESIGNS FOR MOBIL OIL CORPORATION. Architects and industrial designers: Eliot Noyes & Associates; structural engineers for canopy: Lev Zetlin & Associates; for buildings: Werner-Jensen & Korst; mechanical and electrical engineer: Anthony J. Dimartino; graphics consultants: Chermayeff & Geismar Associates; landscape consultant: Robert T. Steinholtz; lighting consultants: Stanley K. Peterson & Associates. OF DESIGN ON SALE AT 58 LOCATIONS





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The construction of a typical circular canopy is shown in the section at left; photos and the plan of a service building are shown above and below. Eight radial, steel-angle truss arms support the metal deck, set at least 15 feet above grade. The curved ceiling shells are of white plastic; the fascia is of white-painted metal. Fluorescent tubes fasten to the radial arms.









The stainless-steel pumps and the tire racks were designed by Nove and will be used eventually in a Mobil stations. Two of the small stations are pictured on this page; larger one on the preceding two pages.

The service stations will not a just another face-lifting operatio according to architect Noyes, b will instead be a complete and co tinuing program dealing with th comprehensive design of the st tions and their relationship to th community. The program will the concerned with the welfare of th motorist, the dealer, the town, ar the sponsoring corporation.

The idea of basing the desig program as a whole—including the service stations and their detailson a circular motif, occurred Noyes early in his study of the prolem, and has been consistently use throughout; witness the red of Upon the recommendation of Eli Noyes, Chermayeff and Geism have been retained by Mobil to divelop their graphics program.



"... initial business performance of the new stations has been encouraging."

by Rawleigh Warner, Jr. President, Mobil Oil Corporation

••• During the coming months Mobil will be studying the operation of 58 service stations designed to test the concept that good architecture is good business. These experimental stations are part of a comprehensive, worldwide design program which Eliot Noyes is now undertaking for the Mobil Oil Corporation.

The service-station program is responsive to public opinion, which strongly supports roadside beautification. People are fed up with the clutter that spoils so many of our streets and highways, and zoning boards are making is increasingly difficult for companies to secure construction permits for any kind of roadside establishment.

Some oil companies have long emphasized to dealers the importance of good housekeeping, and many service stations are reasonably clean and neat. But in 1964 Mobil decided to look harder at a more basic factor—the design of the station itself. Several of my associates were familiar with the outstanding job that Eliot Noyes had been doing for IBM and Westinghouse, so we discussed our problem with him. He agreed to try to develop a service station prototype that would be economically viable; and that also would—through good design—express the company's responsibility to the community and the nation.

At the suggestion of Eliot Noyes we also enlisted the services of Chermayeff and Geismar Associates to study the problem from the standpoint of graphic design. The result is the fresh, consistent approach to graphics that we are now adopting all over the world.

The first three experimental stations were completed in July of 1966. Their initial business performance has been encouraging—enough so to prompt us to go ahead with a much larger program of 55 more stations. By the end of this year motorists in 17 states will be telling us—by patronizing or passing up these new stations—how well they perform as profitable places of business for the dealer, and as sound investments for us.

If our experiment in architectural excellence is as successful as we expect it to be, the ultimate result should be a pace-setting contribution towards making the streets and highways of our country more attractive for everyone.



ARCHITECTURE FOR SELLING



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#### BOSTON SHOE STORE REMODELING ACCOMPLISHED FOR TOTAL



The remodeling of this shoe store involved very little actual construction; consisted principally of installing a new suspended ceiling of acoustical material, and of lighting, painting, and furnishings. The work was awarded as a series of separate contracts, so a general contractor was not required. The total cost including all furnishings and exterior signs—was \$20,000.

The existing store was long, narrow, and high-ceilinged: 50 by 18 by 15 feet. In the redesign, the store was divided into "areas" by means of furniture arrangements, color, and lighting. Thus the long, awkward space was cut into manageable elements of much better scale. Warm colors are used near the entrance, and range through the spectrum to cool tones at the rear. Recessed lighting projects narrow shafts of high intensity on arrangements of accessories; a special group of hanging lamps—designed by the architect—add further interest and color.

ELKINS SHOE STORE, BOSTON, MASSACHU-SETTS. Architects: William Riseman and Associates. BUDGET OF \$20,000



## NEW YORK SHOWROOM USES BRICK AND NATURAL WOO



This showroom and executive headquarters for a New York wholesaler of leathers is located on the top floors of two adjacent and similar loft buildings; the two areas connected and ingeniously designed to work together as one. The scheme was based on the desire to use natural materials-wood and brick-as background, and on the knowledge that the New York code permits a certain amount of finish woodwork in sprinklered structures of less than 12 stories. The plan consists essentially of showrooms, executive, sales, and design offices, general office space, a gallery, and areas for receiving and shipping.

In the remodeling process, all existing partitions, floor finishes, and lighting fixtures were first removed. The new huge ceilings were made of natural sandfinished plaster, or of interlocking, fireproofed 2 x 4s stained dark brown, supported on the column lines by fireproofed, rough beams, with recessed plywood between. Walls are sand-finished plaster; columns are covered with secondhand common brick; radiator covers have steel frames and plywood fronts.

SHOWROOM FOR FLEMING-JOFFE, NEW YORK CITY. Architects: Edelman and Salzman; general contractor: Garson-Bergman.



## FOR DISPLAY O EXOTIC LEATHE







Cabinets, trim, and the wooden members of the glazed partitions were made to detail by the cabinetmaker, who also fabricated and installed the display racks, radiator covers, desks, tables, storage walls, and display walls. Tack-up walls are of 1-inch-thick sheet cork in a dark, chocolate-brown color.







W. C. Runder photos



Party walls were stripped to expose the granite foundation and brick wall above; the ceiling is made of latticed 2 x 4's, and serves to conceal air-conditioning ducts and the lighting for adjacent walls. The stairway is built of welded steel and has treads and handrailings of oiled birch.

The wall opposite the entrance, visible from the street, terminates the well for the lower area. It is made of lift-off plywood panels which are covered with leather samples to show the range of seasonal designs available.



## REMODELING CREATES DRAMATIC SPACES

This interesting St. Louis showroom for Fleming-Joffe (see also preceding two pages), located in an 1890 store, was created by cutting a large opening in the ground floor to create a dramatic, lowerlevel display space; and by installing a two-story glass cage at the front for snakes and lizards. The cage serves as both indoor and outdoor display.

SHOWROOM FOR FLEMING-JOFFE, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. Architects: Edelman and Salzman; general contractor and cabinetmaker: Pernikoff Construction Company. FOR THIS SHOWROOM

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Rear entrance from parking Apartment entrance







## CANADIAN SERVICE STATION IS PLEASINGLY CONCEALED

This highly original automobile service center is designed so that it is virtually invisible from the highway, since it is integrated into the landscape by means of earth berms—as the section above and the photographs at left make clear. The center is located in the median strip of a four-lane parkway approach to the Toronto International Airport, and consists of two separated structures: a filling station, and a repair and lubricating building.

Beyond the major concern of designing a service center in keeping with the scale and character of the other airport structures, there was that of maintaining a scale appropriate for a car moving at 30 or 40 miles per hour. Thus, the station consists of a streamlined form of three-dimensional curves with two projecting spines. A 100-foot-square roof, supported by exposed steel trusses resting on concrete columns and retaining walls, hovers over the double-spined central structure.

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SALES

AIRPORT ENTRANCE

HIGHWAY

The earth berms rise 12 feet above the highway and serve as an effective visual barrier for the surrounding headlight glare and vehicular confusion emanating from the many lanes of the airport roads and parkway. The result is a pleasing form in harmony with its setting.

AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE CENTER, TORONTO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, MALTON, ON-TARIO. Architects and engineers: John B. Parkin Associates. BY BUILT-UP EARTH BERMS



This photo: H. R. Jowett; photos opposite: Panda Associates





## GRAPHIC DESIGN AND ALLIED ARTS PLAY IMPORTANT ROLE IN

The Gruen architectural office has consistently made generous use of graphic design-and other related arts-in the development of its designs; and has maintained its own graphics department for a good many years. The Joseph Magnin store, occupying 38,000 square feet on two floors of the Century Square Shopping Center in Los Angeles, is an interesting case in point. Its main entrance lies at the intersection of two of the center's walkways, as shown above. This entrance is marked by corner doorways of black-anodized aluminum and glass, which house a sculpture by Claire Falkenstein, set in a terrazzo fountain that is equally visible from inside or outside. The sculpture is balanced-on the opposite side of the entrance—by a terrazzo display platform, raised above the floor.

Both of the walls flanking the entrance are of white-painted, textured plaster, decorated by colorful floral patterms of Byzantine tile, and by the Magnin JM logotype in a black-painted metal frame set free of the wall.

JOSEPH MAGNIN STORE, CENTURY SQUARE SHOPPING CENTER, LOS ANGELES, CALI-FORNIA. Architects and engineers: Victor Gruen Associates—R. L. Baumfeld, partner in charge; general contractor: Diversified Builders, Incorporated. Architects for the Century Square Shopping Center: Welton Becket and Associates. THE DESIGN OF WEST COAST STOP







Variety and effectiveness seem to characterize the use of graphics on both the exterior and all through the interior of the building. Due probably to its greater legibility, most of the lettering—except for the name of the store—is in lower case with initial capital letters.





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## SMALL HONOLULU SHOP FOR "GREAT THINGS"



words of architect Tom Wells, "dedicated to design excellence." Thus, the overriding thought in designing the interior was that it should not compete with the carefully selected merchandise. To this end, it was decided to make the piers and standards of dark-stained, resawn redwood-a material offering a strong contrast to the generally soft character of the shapes and textures offered. Glass slabs set in redwood uprights provide a maximum view of the objects on the shelves. A redwood grill covers the entire ceiling, providing flexibility for lighting and serving as a screen for air-conditioning outlets and stereo speakers.

This small shop in Honolulu is, in the

GREAT THINGS SHOP, ALA MOANA SHOP-PING CENTER, HONOLULU, HAWAII. Architect: *Thomas O. Wells*; general contractors: *Watanabe and Kondo*. OFFERS GOOD DESIGN FOR SALE SERVIC

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## ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING

#### nstant rehab loes it in hours

Vith considerable press agentry—closed ircuit TV; colored hard hats for the ress, HUD officials and workmen; an Il-night press room; and speeches by tayor Lindsay and Secretary Weaver— UD put on its 48-hour demonstration of instant rehabilitation" the week of April The demonstration took place in the hird of three five-story tenement buildigs on New York's lower east side, being movated by the instant rehabilitation ichnique—a packaged kitchen-bathhom core plus new floor, wall and ceilg finishes (January RECORD, page 175).

The problems experienced last Noember when instant rehabilitation was rst shown to the press—principally misignment of apartment floors and floor the core units—had been worked out. (hat apparently had not been taken the of, however, was the New York City uilding Department's concern over the ethod of venting the gas furnaces which ere incorporated in the cores used in e first two tenement buildings. (A common vent was used for the two five-story buildings, and there was no room at the top of the core for recommended vertical rise in the connection between draft hood and the flue.) The building in which the demonstration took place last month uses the existing one-pipe steam system for heating. The oil-fired steam boiler which originally heated all three of the buildings being rehabilitated will now heat the third one; it also provides domestic hot water for the project. Thus the packaged cores in this last building consist of kitchen and bathroom, but not heating.

Engineers familiar with structural problems that occur in rehabilitation like the idea of using an independent struc-

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tural system for a renovated kitchen-andbath. They point out that with these old buildings, structural reinforcement of the floor system generally would be required if kitchens and bathrooms were being installed conventionally. In addition to the weight of the fixtures and appliances, the structure has to take the weight of piping. In this case, not only does the steel frame of the core support the core itself, but it also shortens the spans of the original floor joists. This is similar, in a way, to the technique which has been occasionally used to modernize hospitals, of stacked "outrigger" bathroom units installed externally of the existing building, simplifying the structural problem and minimizing interference with normal occupancy.

The rehabilitated apartments have a clean, trim appearance with their new hung ceilings and furred-out vinyl-covered gypsum board panels. Further, the cores, which are located centrally in the apartments, nicely divide the bed-room and living room areas. A 3/8-in. particle board sheet flooring material was used which conforms to the sag of the



floors. Coated with polyester, the flooring is scored to give the appearance of floor tile.

It could be that the 48-hour elapsed time notion may have been unnecessarily dramatic in terms of actual need and additional costs that had to be incurred for overtime labor, standby crane and waiting trucks with core units.

Conrad Engineers, who researched and planned the project, said cost of the initial units would approximate that of conventional rehabilitation, or around \$13,000. Projected costs for any future units might be more nearly \$11,000. Of course cost figures now have to be hypothetical estimates because of the experimental nature of the project. Actual costs will depend upon competitive bidding by contractors experienced in rehabilitation work.

The instant rehabilitation project is being sponsored by the Carolyndale Foundation of New York City under a program of Federal Housing Administration mortgage insurance and a lowincome housing demonstration grant from HUD, originally in the amount of \$420,000, but now reported to be \$1million. FHA is insuring a mortgage covering the project under Section 233 (experimental housing) of the National Housing Act. The private loan of \$568,-400 is being made by the Chase Manhattan Bank. At closing, the mortgage will bear interest at 3 per cent, and will be purchased by the Federal National Mortgage Association, a part of HUD.

Conrad Engineers (Construction Research and Development Corporation), headed by Edward K. Rice, arranged for off-site assembly of the kitchen-bathroom core units and for delivery of the units through shafts cut in the buildings. They were fabricated on a city-owned pier a few miles from the rehab site. Mr. Rice is also president of Impcon, the general contractor for the project.

#### Building faults cited in Cornell dormitory fire

Inadequate and substandard escape facilities were principally responsible for the deaths of eight students and one faculty member in the April 5th fire in a Cornell University dormitory, according to a preliminary report of the National Fire Protection Association. The report states that an inadequately-enclosed stairway allowed smoke and hot gases from the fire—which originated in a basement lounge at 4 a.m.—to pour up into the first and second floor corridors and lobby of the dormitory, which housed 71 students and faculty advisors.

The report points out that the stairway lacked approved fire doors and enclosures at the basement and first floor levels, and that the door at the top of the stairway on the second floor had been removed for alteration. And while the building had two avenues of escape to the outside, they were located in close proximity to each other, contrary to the N.F.P.A. Life Safety Code. The smoke and gases filled one stairway, making it impossible to use as an escape route, the N.F.P.A. report said. The other stairway, which should have been the alternate escape route, could not be reached by the students because it opened into a corridor which also was filled with smoke.

Another factor which may have contributed to the deaths, according to the report, was the absence of a building fire alarm.

A particularly tragic note, the report concludes, is the fact that plans had been made to install automatic sprinklers, but the work had not been started. Preprints of the report will be available around May 15 and are available for 50 cents from N.F.P.A., 60 Batterymarch Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110.

#### Steps in front of the Met will get railings, lights

Architects for the new Metropolitan Opera House at Lincoln Center, Harrison & Abramovitz have designed new bronze railings for the four shallow steps leading up to the building from the plaza area. These steps had been the source of a number of tripping accidents, following the opening, until mid-November when wooden police barricades were set up and black tape put on a number of treads as a temporary expedient (January RECORD, page 167). The 2-ft-10-in. high lacquered-bronze railings will have fluorescent lamps enclosed within the rail for nighttime illumination. In addition, a dark nonskid abrasive surfacing, 3/4-in. wide will be cut into the treads. The railings will be installed on 17-ft centers along the 540-ft-width of steps.

Apparently the difficulty arose from the unconventional riser/tread ratio of 31 inches to 25 inches.

Max Abramovitz was quoted in the New York Times as saying that, "These are probably going to be the most overprotected steps in New York City."

#### Achieving greater consistency in building codes

Developing standards suitable for reference by building codes still remains a tough problem in the opinion of Edwin A. Weed, New York architect and engineer and chairman of the Construction Standards Board of the U.S.A. Standards Institute. In a recent speech, one of a 1 lecture series, at the National Bureau Standards, Weed said that the bigge problem the Construction Standard Board faces is how to achieve require "consensus" of members on specific su jects. (A proposed new draft of the N tional Plumbing Code is in a stalema situation currently, partly because of few technical points of contention, b mostly because of disagreement betwee representatives of several materials of ganizations and trade associations.)

In his talk, Weed called for a net body that could judge promulgate standards in support of building cod which would be composed of represent tives of various standards boards, b would not include any representatives materials producers.

While Weed did not come out for Federal national building code, he d say he hoped that standards could l developed by industry and governme to meet performance requirements. Of the other hand, he did point out th the four model codes do not cover cities of the nation, and the major citi not at all.

Weed also urged that a standard pr ferred construction nomenclature di tionary be developed, having such format that both user and code enforce could understand it.

## Alaskan earthquake fully documented

The first in a series of six volumes the Anchorage earthquake has been pulished by the Geological Survey of t Department of the Interior. This part ular volume deals with the geolog setting of the earthquake, earthqua effects, field investigations, and pub and private reconstruction efforts. T remaining volumes will cover local a regional effects on communities, wa supplies and transportation and comm nication facilities.

An unpublicized fact of the ear quake reported in the book is that t earthquake caused the largest known su face movement of land from a sing earthquake in recorded history. For stance, seismic sea waves caused seve damage along the West Coast, partic larly at Crescent City, California; wa levels fluctuated in wells throughd much of North America and at places far distant as the Virgin Islands and De mark.

The 111-page book, "The Alas Earthquake—Investigations and Reco struction," is available for \$2.75 from t Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Go ernment Printing Office, Washingto D.C., 20402.



# The Sydney Opera House —what happened and why

the story of the Sydney Opera House is a parable of the relaconship between the "artist" architect and the "practical, alistic" client—with each side fulfilling his predestined role the point where one longs to drop the curtain, see the princoal actors take a bow, and realize that the whole agonizing ectacle was not something that had actually happened.

The Opera House seems to have begun as almost a pernal dream of Joseph Cahill, who was the Labor Party Prime inister of New South Wales during the 1950's. He had conderable support from the late Eugene Goosens, who was resent conductor of the Sydney Symphony Orchestra. In fact, is said that the idea for the project came from the persistent forts of Goosens to find a new "home" for the Symphony.

The result was that in 1956 the Government conducted a mpetition, offering a top prize equivalent to \$11,500 which ew 223 entries from 30 countries including 61 from Australia. It program stipulated that the major hall be convertible for

both opera and symphony performances and designed to seat between 3,000 and 3,500, and that a minor hall for music and drama be designed to seat 1,100.

Utzon has been out of the picture for a year now, having been replaced by a panel of architects selected by the new (as of 1965) Minister of Public Works, Davis Hughes. In February of 1966 Utzon wrote a letter to Hughes complaining of lack of cooperation, lack of respect for himself as an architect, and non-payment of fees, in view of which he said, "I will be forced to leave the job." The next day Minister Hughes announced to the cabinet his plan to finish the building with a panel of "leading private architects." On March 7 of last year, Minister Hughes proposed that the Government Architect should be in charge of the job, assisted by a panel of architects, responsible for programing, documentation, supervision, and general administration. Utzon was to be offered the position of "design architect," with responsibility for "originating, su-

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pervising and development of design." Utzon replied on March 8 that, "the Basis of Proposal is acceptable to me in part but cannot be acceptable in total—nor would it be to any architect with any sense of responsibility to his client. It takes for granted that my office is incapable of remaining in full technical control of the job for unspecified reasons." Utzon suggested modifications to the Proposal which essentially confirmed him as architect in full control, but the Minister refused to consider it. In April 1966 the Minister announced his panel of architects: Government Architect E. H. Farmer to be coordinating architect of the panel consisting of D. S. Littlemore (responsible for supervision); L. Todd (responsible for contract documents); and Peter Hall, who had worked in the Government Architect's office until shortly before Utzon's "resignation", responsible for design.

#### The costs kept going up with no end in sight

The most immediate reason that Joern Utzon is no longer associated with the Sydney Opera House is, undoubtedly, government embarrassment and concern over soaring costs, which while officially put at \$50 million, are privately expected to reach \$65 or \$70 million. But perhaps more to the heart of the matter was the fact that from the very beginning and throughout the 10 years of design and construction, there was



The magnificent, but narrow, site, which overlooks Sydney harbor from its best vantage point, offered little room for two halls.

little, if any, realistic programming from the standpoint of performing arts management. Utzon's consultants were structural engineers, acoustical consultants and stage design consultants, all of whom were experts in their own specialties, but none of whom could direct themselves to the question of what kind of performing arts facilities were needed and could be publicly supported.

The original cost estimate, made by a firm of quantity surveyors from the competition drawings, was \$7 million, which was not regarded as at all realistic by either Utzon or Ove Arup & Partners. In 1960, the Sydney Opera House Act was passed. It provided for an expenditure of \$10 million, plus or minus 10 per cent. In 1962 the government issued the figure of \$25 million as the first complete up-to-date estimate for the entire building prepared by the architect, consultant and quantity surveyors.

At the end of 1964 a tentative figure of \$35 million for the Opera House was given—tentative because so much of the

interiors were yet to be designed. Hughes told the Parliami in November 1965 that the cost of the opera house wor approach \$50 million.

#### Latest decision: the switch is made to a concert hall

The government has now made the decision, based on t recommendation of the architects' panel, that the major h be designed solely for symphony concert performance with seating capacity of 2800. There will be no stage machinery any sort; the \$3 million worth of stage lifts originally intend for opera production, and now in storage in Sydney, will sold if possible.

Apparently this decision was made on the basis that sy phony orchestra is a known quantity in Sydney-a definite tendance and income could be projected. The Austral Broadcasting Commission, a semi-government body, wh manages the Sydney Symphony Orchestra, maintained that th must have close to the originally projected 3000 seats for chestra performance, or they could not leave their prese home, the Sydney Town Hall. They, and the architects' par say that Utzon's latest plan for a multi-purpose hall would on allow 1800 seats if a comfortable row spacing were to be h This fact was reported last June to the minister of pub works by the architects' panel. They said that row space intended by Utzon was 29 in. in the galleries and 31 in. in t lower auditorium; seat spacing was 20 in. If the row space were changed to 3 ft to allow more comfort and room people to move, the number of seats would drop to 18 Since it was felt that a 3-ft (or even wider) row spacing v highly desirable, it was suggested that a new approach m be taken to the design of the interior layout. Utzon's last p had 2,500 seats in the auditorium and 300 student seats behi the orchestra (i.e., on stage). Ben Schlanger of New York C has been retained as consulting architect by the Governme to work with the architects' panel on seating and circulation

The Australian Broadcasting Commission said that only way of providing a satisfactory orchestra enclosure arou the orchestra for acoustical purposes, as well as providing a ditional seating and installation of a fixed organ, was to remo the stage machinery. Since Utzon placed both the major a minor hall stage ends side by side on the relatively narro site, there was scarcely any side stage space at all for these ha This meant, in the main, that vertical articulation of scene and staging was necessary. Much of this was to have be accomplished with a series of 12 by 38 ft lifts. Proponents the concert hall scheme and others argued that, in any ca this arrangement would pose considerable difficulties mechanics and performers if complicated stage production were to be put on. But more importantly, in order to get in t desired 2,800 seats, with sight lines generally used for conc halls, the main floor seating will have to move forward and ta away original stage space.

The orchestra shell will be permanent. Plans for a c mountable acoustic shell which could be moved in and out the main hall to make it suitable for either activity we scrapped. The team of architects, led by Peter Hall, whi took over when Joern Utzon resigned, said the acoustic sh would weigh around 300 tons. Hughes has said it would excessively heavy and would present an almost insurmountal obstacle. Professor Cremer of Berlin, who was Utzon's acous expert, came up with plans for a sectionalized acoustic sh weighing around 50 tons. But since neither Utzon or Crem involved with the Opera House, their plan has not been amined by the Minister or architectural team.

Arguing against the single-use design for the major hall ere The Sydney Opera House Trust, representing performing ts in general, and the Elizabethan Theatre Trust, representing pera, ballet and drama in particular. The Opera House Trust id that abandoning the multi-purpose concept of the main Ill would be a betrayal of the Trust's obligations to the public id the people who supported the original concept of the pera house, if large-scale opera and ballet works could not e performed. The limitation imposed by relegation of opera the minor hall would prevent patrons from experiencing erformance of grand opera or ballet, except on a scale that est could be termed "provincial". The concert-hall advocates, in the other hand, say that there has been little progress in tablishing permanent companies; that financing would be fficult without extensive subsidies which do not appear forthming; and that the public's apathy toward live theater would rm a serious obstacle to attracting large audiences to opera.

The differences between Utzon's latest plans and the chitects' panel recommendations, which were accepted by e government, are these: Utzon had a multi-purpose major II seating 2500; a minor hall accommodating 1,100; an ex-



ed within the enclosing shells. Because of s juxtaposition and the narrow site, Utzon was unable provide side stages, which later was to lead to controversy

e new plans call for a concert hall seating 2,800; a minor Il for opera and ballet seating 1,500; a drama theater seatg 700-750; a cinema seating 700-750; and a chamber-music Il for 450. The space under the major hall stage, which merly was used for lift machinery, will be converted to a nearsal and recording theater for the Sydney Symphony Orestra, giving an over-all space of 300,000 cubic feet.

#### e lottery kept the government from worrying

e probable reason that Utzon's design proceeded as far as it d before the whistle was blown on mounting costs is the fact at the money is being raised by a public lottery. Also, the me Minister set up procedures that by-passed the usual chanls for government construction at the beginning, giving Utn an unusually privileged and protected position. Construcin on the foundations was well under way when, in 1960, an t was finally passed establishing a budget, and making the inister of Public Works responsible for the construction. In the meantime, while construction on the foundations proceeded, and to all outward appearances the structure was well under way, the architect and engineer continued to struggle with the design of the shells, a task that ultimately took six years to complete. Since 1957, the Arup office has spent something like 380,000 man-hours and 2,000 hours of computer time on the design of the opera house. (For a detailed account, see RECORD, January 1966, pages 175-180).

After a tremendous effort, the engineers succeeded in rationalizing Utzon's free-form shapes into parabolic curves that left the original silhouette intact. Many other problems remained, however, and late in 1961 it was Utzon himself who provided the breakthrough, changing the form of the shells so that they all become parts of the surface of a sphere. The engineers bravely scrapped their calculations and started all over again.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Cahill had died suddenly in office, and the Ministry of Public Works was trying to establish lines of communication with Utzon. Not surprisingly, there was considerable confusion over who was responsible for what, particularly in the area of the program for the building.

If the client had underestimated the construction difficulties, the architect seems to have overestimated the client's knowledge of what it wanted. The client for the programmatic aspects was in any case not the Ministry of Public Works, but the Opera House Executive Committee. This Committee, working in relative isolation from both the architect (who did not move from Denmark to Australia until 1962) and the Ministry, seems to have made a whole series of program decisions without thoroughly assessing their cost implication, and without systematically redefining the whole list of requirements.

Early in 1963, when the foundations were in place, and it was time to let the contract for placing the shells, it became evident that a certain amount of demolition of earlier foundation work would be necessary because of design and program changes. The final bill for the first stage had been settled by negotiation at a figure very nearly double the original contract, because of design changes and program modifications. The amount of stage two contract made it clear that the original budget figures were too low. The Ministry began to press for detailed drawings of stage three interiors, installations, and finishes as soon as possible, so that the final contract could be let on a lump sum basis, and a final budget figure published.

An ordinary architectural office might have been able to meet the Ministry's request, particularly as official action up to this point had been patient and understanding to an unusual degree. Utzon, however, believes fervently that the architectural designer must be involved in every detail of both design and construction.

In the meantime the Opera House was becoming a hot election issue. Its prominent site in Sydney harbor made every delay and construction change painfully obvious; the rising costs were front-page news. The opposition Liberal-Country party pointed to the Opera House as an example of ineptitude by a Labor government too long in power.

In May 1965, the Liberal-Country party won the election, and the new Ministry of Public Works was chosen. It is not clear whether Utzon realized the significance of the change at the Ministry from exasperated-but-friendly to exasperatedand-highly-skeptical. He had, however, begun to give full attention to the stage three design. The major problem of stage three was the main auditorium which was to be both a concert

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hall and an opera house. Utzon had prepared a design for the acoustical shape of the ceiling, and he allowed the Minister to see a report from Arup's office stating that this particular version of the ceiling put too much weight on the structure. It was also all too clear that the working drawings for stage three were still far from complete. Utzon seems to have relied to a large extent on mock-ups and instructions for fabrication, and certainly for a building with so many curved surfaces, something other than a conventional set of drawings was in order. There never was, however, any complete documentation of the whole building, nor had Utzon kept a written record of all the numerous decisions by various agencies and committees that had taken place since 1957.

Utzon was therefore at a tremendous disadvantage in dealing with the bureaucracy. The protection he had enjoyed under Cahill had turned into complete vulnerability. The Ministry pressed Utzon harder and harder, and the architect, immersed in his work and probably not fully aware of the change in his position, made no conciliatory moves.

Finally, in February 1966, Utzon wrote the exasperated letter that was construed as a resignation (it is still not clear whether Utzon actually intended to resign)—and his departure was accepted with alacrity. The resulting sensational publicity has made the basic issues more obscure than ever. Certain



This section corresponds with the plan on the previous page. The government has now decided that the main hall will be for symphony concert only and not multi-purpose as originally called for and designed for by Utzon. Now there will be no stage house and no stage machinery. Instead the stage end will have a permanent orchestra shell.

points seem fairly well established, however. It is evident that the Minister of Public Works is perfectly willing to let the Opera House go on without Utzon. Secondly, the architectural profession in Australia was not able to give Utzon its undivided support, nor was it able to act as a mediator in the situation. Thirdly, Utzon himself did not behave in a clearheaded manner. He allowed his most vociferous supporters to make public demonstrations and statements that made any compromise more difficult, and he did not seem able to explain his own position persuasively.

#### The program needed better definition

In retrospect it can be seen that the Sydney Opera House was headed for trouble from the start. For example, the dedication program states that "... conditions [of the competition] were deliberately set out in the simplest form, leaving the competitor the widest scope ... New ideas are always on the brink of disqualification and in this competition, considerable thought was given to stating clearly the intention or aim to be achieved and leaving the manner of their achievement to the competitors. The drawings submitted by the winner were simple to the point of being diagrammatic. Nevertheless, the assessors [judges] stated that they returned again and again to the study of these drawings, as representing the most origin and creative submission." The opera house competition provided for the engagement of an additional architect if the should be considered necessary. However, it has been sain that the late Eero Saarinen and Sir Leslie Martin, two of the judges, were satisfied that Utzon could do the work along It also has been said that Utzon suggested that the large firm of Ove Arup & Partners of London could be his "backing" so to speak, since Utzon considered some of the most difficutechnical problems to be structural.

The government set up two bodies to advise Utzon of requirements: The Sydney Opera House Trust, a group of 10 eminent persons, some of whom had had careers in organ zations likely to be ultimate users of the building; and a techn cal advisory panel, made up principally of a number of arch tects and engineers. The Opera House Trust has another group responsible to and appointed by it, the Music and Dram Panel. Essentially, the Sydney Opera House Trust was to represent users' interests from a management standpoint, servin basically as a board of directors. Users were represented of the one hand by The Australian Broadcasting Commission managing the Sydney Symphony orchestra, and the Elizabetha Theatre Trust (formed in 1954 and headquartered in Me bourne) which was concerned with opera, drama, ballet, et The Elizabethan Theatre Trust formed an opera company 1955, and the government last year presented a token figur of \$15,000 for the start of an opera company in Sydney.

The tale of the competition judging, perhaps apocryphbut inherently quite plausible, is that the competition jury ha methodically narrowed the entries down to ten, when Eer Saarinen, who was one of the assessors but had only ju arrived, pulled the Utzon scheme out of the reject pile an persuaded the rest of the jury that this was the one to choose One can see exactly why Saarinen and the rest of the jur chose this design, but it is also easy to see why the assesso had initially put it aside. No such structure had ever bee built before, and it was not possible to judge on the bas of the drawings whether the architect really knew how it migh be constructed. The competition jury therefore had to premiat a design without knowing how it could be built—in fact wit only an educated guess that it could be built at all.

It is questionable whether this point was ever clear t either the New South Wales government or the Australia public. It seemed to have been assumed that the design sub mitted by a professional architect and selected by a distir guished international jury would be fully worked out in every thing but detail. The realization never seems to have penetrate that the selection of an architect, and even a concept, wa only a first step. Prime Minister Cahill was anxious to sta construction at once, and apparently did not pay much atter tion when Utzon and Ove Arup, whom Utzon had chose to be the engineer, told him that years of design developmer would be necessary.

At least the Prime Minister seems to have said: let's ge the foundations in. The "practical" course of action, makin a commitment to the Opera House on the ground befor popular enthusiasm for the design had dissipated, was o course, a thoroughly impractical decision. But Cahill bent a his political power to expediting the start of construction.



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In the area of interior finishes, the nd began its initial study by investiting a 10-year cross-section of accepple building finish schedules for the ate University of New York. This led st to a skeleton type of performance iteria; then to a master list of different aces for the various University physical cilities; and finally to a method for ssifying the various spaces into a workle system of criteria designation. The ate's consultant on this project, Buildg Materials Research Institute, accomshed the latter by working out lists of sign criteria and exposure criteria for aces in nine basic classifications.

Included among the design criteria e acoustical requirements, esthetic conderations, and normal temperatures of e spaces. Exposure criteria include; obability of bacteriological or biological attack, probability of chemical damage, probability of exposure to food, probability of physical damage, and probability of damage by water.

The acoustical, decorative and temperature criteria are coded as arbitrary numbers. These numbers denote a design condition, but not the physical properties of the finishes themselves. For example, the acoustical criteria simply designate whether or not sound absorptive materials are required, or attention to problems of noise transmission is indicated. Criteria covering the functional aspects of acoustics are handled separately. The same holds true for decorative criteria, which denote whether decor is unimportant or an important part of the space. These criteria thus merely act as flags to alert the architect to these parameters as well as those of exposure. The exposure criteria are rated on a continuous scale of one (least important) to 10 (most damaging type of exposure).

The interior finishes study conducted by B.M.R.I. includes test methods to permit interpretation of the criteria. While most of these basically are based on test methods extant, modifications are included; modifications were made, in fact, to almost every test method. The reason given was that, excepting the Taber Abraser and Weather-O-Meter tests, there are very few procedures which apply to a wide range of materials and finishes. For example, existing programs may spotlight better or poorer vinyl tiles, but no one test method or sequence now available is said to give a logical basis for appraising the relative suitability of slate, bare concrete, vinyl tile, and plastic-impregnated wood. With each test method listed are given: outline of test method; modification of this method; applicability; significance; and test results reporting procedure.

Criteria ratings have been assigned to various spaces (nine types are identified, see below) according to the severity of the exposure. Acceptable classes of materials have been listed.

As an example of how the criteria might work for a given space let us take

Series II-2 Spaces: faculty and studentoriented spaces with water, chemical, or other special exposures, in which the intensity is moderate to heavy and primarily bacteriological or biological. The acoustical design criterion would be A-3 -ceiling treatment alone generally adquate. The decorative criterion D-3 indicates that the decor should be unobtrusive. The temperature criterion T-3 means that the temperature range will normally be between 50 F and 100 F. The bacteriological or biological criterion is B-10infectious or harmful cultures frequently found. The chemical criterion is C-5occasional exposure to chemicals of all sorts through spillage, etc. The food criterion is F-2-minimum quantity of food consumed in the area. The mechanical damage criterion (abrasion, indentation, soiling) is M-5-heavy use of generous space or moderate use of cramped spaces. The physical damage criterion is P-6—likelihood or repeated contact with light objects. The water criterion is W-10, the most severe condition (this rating is maximum here because of the complicating factor of water in relation to the bacteriological and chemical criteria.)

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#### Space categories

Series I—Faculty and student oriented spaces, no water (offices, conference rooms, lecture halls, class rooms and laboratories with no water or utility connections except electricity).

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#### Performance criteria codes and ratings

#### DESIGN CRITERIA

#### Acoustical—A

- No consideration necessary, space should be safe.
- 2- No special treatment ordinarily needed.
- Ceiling treatment alone generally adequate.
- Suppression of noise transmission (in and out) required.
- Control of noise transmission (in and out) required.

#### Decorative-D

- Need only consider preservation of surface.
- 2- Code not used.
- 3- The decor should be unobtrusive.
- 4- The decor is to be obviously attractive.
- 5- The decor is a dominant part of the architectural treatment of the space.

#### Temperature-T

- Normal temperature in space is:
- 1- below 0 F
- 2- between 0 F and 50 F
- 3- between 50 F and 100 F
- 4- between 100 F and 150 F
- 5- over 150 F

#### **EXPOSURE CRITERIA**

## Probability of bacteriological or biological attack:

This factor rates the likelihood of exposure and toxicity to man of the organisms. A rating of B-5 or higher increases the "W" rating by four points.

- B-1 The space is occupied only by healthy humans and there is no likelihood of any appreciable accumulation of organisms.
- B-2
- B-3 Healthy, warm-blooded animals, birds, or fish are housed.
- B-4 Hospital sleeping spaces.
- B-5 Non-harmful cultures are grown or inspected in space.
- B-6
- B-7 Infected humans or animals contact the floors or walls.
- B-8
- B-9
- B-10 Pathology involved; infectious or harmful cultures found frequently within the space.

#### Probability of Chemical Damage

This factor measures the likelihood of exposure to various chemicals by frequency and the corrosiveness of the chemicals. Unless self-evident, the notes should indicate the classes of chemicals anticipated when ratings of C-5 or higher are given. A rating of C-7 or higher increases the "W" rating by two points. C-1 No chemicals other than ordinary house-

- keeping chemicals are normally kept or used in the area.
- C-2 Small quantities of food may be in the area.
- C-3 Large quantities of very mild chemicals (such as in foods being processed) or chemicals in closed strong storage containers.
- C-4 \* C-5 Occasional exposure to chemicals of all sorts through spillage, etc.
- C-6 \*
- C-7 Frequent exposure to chemicals with some fumes.
  - 3 \*
- C-9 Constant exposure to chemicals by splash, spill, etc.
- C-10 Chemical dispensing, bulk chemicals

#### Probability of Exposure to Food

This factor measures the likelihood of food or food products being present in an area. Since sanitation laws in some areas, and common sense elsewhere, dictate tighter housekeeping standards where food is prepared, handled, or stored, two points are added to the "W" rating for "F" ratings of 3 to 5 and four points when ratings exceed F-6.

- F-1 No food found normally in the area.
- F-2 Minimum quantity of food consumed in area (usually as light lunches, etc.).
- F-3 Sugary liquid spillage somewhat common. (As near vending and soft drink machines).
- F-4 Eating areas, public side of cafeteria counters, dining rooms.
- F-5 \*
   F-6 Food storage and preparation areas, including dry vegetable storage, cold storage, and staff side of cafeteria serving lines. Excludes areas devoted to process-
- ing and storage of milk products. F-7 \*
- F-8 Unrefrigerated garbage storage spaces.
- F-9 \*
- F-10 Storage and preparation areas primarily for milk and milk products.

#### Probability of Mechanical Damage

This factor measures the likelihood of exposure to the normal wear and tear factors of abrasion, indentation of floors, presence of normal office and household type soils on surfaces, fingermarkings, and dust and tobacco stains on ceilings.

- M-1 Roomy, lightly occupied spaces (usually executive type).
- M-2 Spaces frequented by few people for relatively short periods.
- M-3 Spaces given moderate usage by few people or heavy usage by many people on an infrequent schedule.
   M-4 \*
- M-5 Heavy use of generous space or moderate use of cramped spaces.
- M-6 \*

M-9 \*

M-7 Heavy use of crowded spaces.

M-10 Constant use of a confined space or def nite traffic patterning or an area of limite use.

#### Probability of Physical Damage

This factor measures primarily the impact con ponent of the damaging forces found within a area. The damage can be from dropped, throws swung, or sliding objects.

- P-1 Little likelihood of impact.
- P-2 Most damage likely from infrequent moing of furniture during cleaning or rea rangement.
- P-3 Much moving of light, well-padded ol jects such as balls, etc.
- P-4 Chance for human body impact on wal or floor is high.
- P-5 \*

M-8

- P-6 Likelihood of repeated contact with lig objects such as balls, etc.
- P-7 \* P-8 Constant exposure to uncushioned mo
- ing objects, not usually sharp cornered. P-9 \*
- P-10 Constant exposure to sharp-cornered of jects.

Note: Ceilings are P-2 rating in all space up to P-6 over-all.

#### Probability of Damage by Water

This factor measures the likelihood of exposuto water, steam, vapor, or ice. The moisture caoccur as droplets from spills or spray, as codensation, or as high humidities. As explaine above, the "W" ratings are increased wherevethere are bacteriological, chemical or food fators above certain levels. These added points arvield the "Wcorr" value. The added points arcumulative and meant to adjust the "W" ratin for the extra water or steam used in housekeep ing in such areas.

- W-1 No water present, except in drinkir carafes.
- W-2 Water used only in housekeeping (pr marily floor care).
- W-3 There are sinks with faucets in the are
- W-4 Small amounts of vapor can be present the air.
- W-5 Condensation may be present on wal and ceiling.
- W-6 There is likelihood of occasional splashe
- W-7 Frequent spills occur. W-8 Some pools of water may occur.
- W-9 There is likely to be considerable standing water.
- W-10 Running water or water under pressu contact walls, floors or ceilings. Note: Assumption of one rating is a automatic assumption that all lesser con ditions also prevail.

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TITANALOY / This titanium-copper-zinc alloy is reported to be light in weight, strong and dent-resistant, with good corrosion and creep resistance, and favorable thermal expansion. It is recommended for mansard-type roofs, batten and standing-seam roofs, fascia, valley, flashing, and expansion joints. It does not require a protective coating, but can be readily painted. Material can be used with curving roof forms. • Moncrief-Lenoir Mfg. Co., Houston, Tex. *Circle 301 on inquiry card* 

**CARPET GUARANTEE PROGRAM** / A three-year A.C.E. nylon surface-wear guarantee for commercial carpets sets a standard for measuring carpet quality. The guarantee will cover surface wear to the extent of loss of more than 10 per cent (per sq yd) of pile fiber. The guarantee does not cover tears, burns, pulls, cuts, or damage due to improper cleaning agents or methods. • Allied Chemical Corp., Fibers Division, New York, N.Y.

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EEL PLATES / Steel plate was used for 16-sided, folded, star-shaped roof, ft in diameter, over a circular lounge the Masonic and Eastern Star Home in eensboro, N.C. Approximately 13 tons ASTM-A36 steel plate was used in e roof. Sixteen symmetrical plates of -in. carbon steel form sides of the of. The 4-ft-dia compression ring was de from plate 1/2 in. thick, and five-sided welded columns from 6-in. plate. The roof plates were field Ited and welded, and the roof was Ided to the compression ring and umns. 
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SYNTHETIC TURF / Perma-Turf, or vinyl grass, is a blended polymer compound reported to be resilient and durable. It resists spike or cleat damage, abrasion and most chemicals, and withstands all outside elements. It is recommended for both outdoor and indoor installation and may be swept, vacuumed or hosed clean. The strips (in continuous lengths of 36-, 48-, and 54-in. widths) need not be cemented to the ground. • American Biltrite Rubber Co., Inc., Boston. *Circle 305 on inquiry card* 

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AIR CONDITIONING / The 11th edition of a directory listing products which are licensed to use the A.M.C.A. Certified Ratings Seal includes 749 products of 60 manufacturers. The 34-page directory rates the products for performance in tests conforming to the Association's Certified Ratings Program. Air Moving and Conditioning Association, Inc., Park Ridge, III.

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**LIBRARY FURNITURE** / A catalog illustrates and details the *Metwood Group I*, a complete all-walnut line. Each major piece is shown in a full-page photo. The pages, in loose-leaf form, are bound in a laminated cover. Standard Furniture Company, Herkimer, N.Y.

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METAL ROOFING / A 4-page brochure describes prefabricated metal batten and Bermuda roofing systems. Specifications and detail drawings are given for both types. Illustrations show a broad range of designs. • Overly Manufacturing Co., Greensburg, Pa.\*

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WATERPROOFING SYSTEM / An information brochure describes *Thio-Deck Membrane*, a membrane waterproofing system based on a one-coat, seamless adhesive sealant. • Toch Bros., Inc., Paterson, N.J.\*

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FACING PANELS / An 8-page color brochure illustrates the six basic *Plexiglas* panel designs, and a booklet describes the three basic installation systems. The brochure reports that *Plexiglas* panels are lightweight and resistant to breakage and weather. • Rohm and Haas Company, Philadelphia.\*

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**STEEL PARTITIONERS** / A 16-page color catalog details free-standing steel units. The catalog shows and tells how partitioners solve problems of changing space requirements in commercial and institutional buildings. ■ Rockaway Metal Products Corp., Inwood, L.I., N.Y.

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VINYL WALLCOVERINGS / Pre-prints of an 8-page color file contain 16 patterns in a wide range of colors. Included is information on the custom-printed handprints. I. E. Carpenter & Company, Inc., New York, N.Y.\*

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**SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD** / Buying and specifying for construction and industrial applications is simplified by a booklet based on the new Product Standard, PS 1-66. American Plywood Association, Tacoma, Washington.\*

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**ROOF DECK** / A 12-page booklet contains data, ideas, specifications and diagrams for All-weather Crete Roof Deck Insulation. This seamless roof deck contains no water and is applied hot and dry even in freezing weather. It can be compacted to cover protrusions and deck irregularities providing a smooth surface for roofing. • Silbrico Corporation, Hodgkins, III.\*

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FILING SYSTEMS / A 16-page catalog offers thirty-one filing systems for vertical, roll and lateral filing. 
Plan Hold Corporation, Torrance, Calif.

Circle 409 on inquiry card

**DOORS, GRILLES, SHUTTERS** / A catalog features units in steel, aluminum, stainless and bronze. Items include the *Flatslat* rolling door with *Weatherguide*, a motor operated fire door, rolling grilles permitting great visibility, and vinyl-clad sliding grilles. • Cornell Iron Works, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

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FLASHING / A 4-page bulletin describes elastomeric flashing and contains complete guide specifications. • The Glidden Company, Wilmington, Del.\* *Circle 411 on inquiry card* 

WASHROOM-HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT / A 24-page catalog illustrates and describes more than 300 recessed and surface-mounted accessories. • The Bobrick Corporation, Brooklyn, N.Y.\*

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**STEEL JOISTS** / "Standard Specificatic and Load Tables for Longspan Steel Joi and Open Web Steel Joists" is a 52-pa book that presents two standard spec cations with accompanying load tab covering the design, manufacture a use of four series of joists. • Americ Institute of Steel Construction, New Yo N.Y.

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CHAIN LINK FENCE / A comprehensifile of specification sheets, detailed en neering drawings, testing-laboratory a A.S.T.M. reports, reference lists and sa ple proposals show how to design w and draw up specifications for alur nized chain-link fence installations. Wire Products Group, American Cha & Cable Co., Monessen, Pa.

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PAINTED ALUMINUM / A new edition Color and Quality Standards for Paint Aluminum Sheet contains samples of colors adopted for factory-painted a minum sheet and gives the minimu quality standards. A table gives reco mended minimum radii for varyi thicknesses of painted sheet. T Aluminum Association, New York, N.Y Circle 415 on inquiry c

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#### By Bill N. Lacy, A.I.A.

For those who have not yet read the first three volumes in the Vision and Value series by Kepes, one can only repeat the remark of Sir Herbert Read who admonishes you for "missing one of the most exciting and progressive developments in the whole field of education." The question for those who did read the earlier volumes is whether or not Mr. Kepes has been able to maintain the high standard of quality in this sequel. He has —with only a few exceptions.

These volumes, like the earlier ones, are an anthology of essays by a distinguished group of architects, artists, designers, critics, educators, psychologists, and musicians. The essays are in a sense a collection of forewords which themselves become the collective work they are each introducing. In the three volumes there are a total of some 47 vignettes masterfully composed by editor Kepes, and they provide a many-faceted view of the role which design should play in our emerging, changing world-a world which places increasing value on precision and logic over expression and intuition. Kepes has cunningly placed at least two or three essays in each volume which every reader will feel that he must have as a readily available reference. The total of six volumes in the Vision and Value series comprise an encyclopedic reference of contemporary thoughts on visual knowledge, which anyone in the design field will consider essential to his personal library. All six volumes in the Vision and Value series seem to mildly upbraid the designer for refusing to move with the times; for refusing to become a participant in today's society. The subtle examples Kepes employs to make this

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point have discernible bases in logic and scientific methods of observation. He seeks to give the designer a new respectability by suggesting to him ways in which he can push back artistic frontiers in the same manner that the scientists have done in their respective fields. By selecting works of an interdisciplinarian range he affords designers a view of their particular task in the broader context that is rarely illustrated today.

Kepes seems to be calling for a more rational approach; one that would be no less innovative or shocking, but one based on logic and an understanding of the scientific techno-biological forces that govern the contemporary world. Too much of current design in all fields continues to be based on personal selfexpression that can only be explained by purely subjective rationalizations.

The designer most readily singled out out as a culprit is the fine artist. The public has relegated him to the role of a mischievous little boy—too immature to participate in adult affairs of science and technology, but tolerated as a comic relief to the seriousness of the world's business. Architects and designers are rapidly shedding the label of artist and many flatly deny any identification or allegiance to the fine arts.

But denying artistic associations is not enough. The architect is faced with the decision of whether or not to move into the second machine age, having missed the first, or of becoming the Master Craftsman of the other custom crafts. The former decision requires that he accept the methods of mass production; that he design for standardization. To do this, he must understand the module as a means by which he can repeat units without being repetitious; multiply without becoming monotonous.

The second volume of this series, Module, Proportion, Symmetry, Rhythm suggests steps toward such an understanding and will undoubtedly have the most appeal for architects. As Lawrence Anderson points out in one of the best essays in this volume, "the idea of module is again asserted, with emphasis on its capability to encompass growth and change." This idea is illustrated in or practical application by the contribution of Ezra Ehrenkrantz, who shows the pri ciples behind his School Construction Systems Development program in Ca fornia. These discussions of modulari and pattern in nature, science and math matics would not be complete witho the inclusion of Corbusier's Modulor some point, and the comments by biologist and an art critic afford a free attitude on this well-worn propositio C. H. Waddington, a biologist, conclud that the Modulor of Le Corbusier "is a rived at by a peculiar mathematical pr cedure which has nothing to do with an sort of biology, human or other." R dolph Arnheim, the only person to co tribute two articles in the series, carrie the criticism further in his customari brilliant fashion by pointing out the i ability of the Modulor to adapt to the combination of standardized units. In s doing he gives us not only an understand able explanation of Corbusier's attemp to apply measurement to visual propo tion, but also a key to some of the prol lems facing "systems" designers.

The recurrent theme in many of the essays in The Man Made Object depid the artist today as a kind of museu curator who expresses our cultur through the collection and arrangeme of the man-made objects of our materia istic society. The incorporation of the objects in his works serve partially make us aware of these everyday object as an important part of our culture, an partially as a historical, albeit satirica statement for future generations. Th movement is traced from Marcel Du "ready-mades" up to th champ's present-day junk art.

The inclusion of essays by Marsha McLuhan, Christopher Alexander an Dore Ashton, all writers of current popularity in the design professions, lends provailing authority to this volume. Alexander compares three ways in whice forces can be resolved to meet the design needs of form. He illustrates one of these theories with a fascinating example of the location of a highway betwee continued on page 25

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The Bauhaus episode, regarded by most scholars of architecture as a milestone in the designer's relation to the machine, comes in for comment by art critic Dore Ashton, who sees it as a "utopian scheme," comparable to the misdirected Arts and Crafts movement of 19th Century England. Francois Choay describes it as a "scandal" in the history of a search for equilibrium between the artist and the object in an industrialized society.

If it were not for the wish to maintain the sequence of the set, one could afford to bypass the purchase of the third book, Sign, Image and Symbol. Lawrence Frank opens the book well enough with a comprehensive keynote essay, but none of the other articles adhere very closely to his description of the universe as a gigantic communications system in which our perceptual environment is formed by the messages we choose to receive and transmit. It is predicable that in such a book there would be discussion of graphic symbols. In it Rudolph Modley outlines the need for a universally acceptable and recognizable system of graphic symbols. Such attempts have heretofore been left to airlines, railways and other transportational industries whose work, although commendable, is not coordinated toward the ends of universality. Devising such a system of pictographic language is complicated by the different sets of associational references in different cultures. One culture uniquely different from our own is discussed in two fine articles about the Eskimo. The destroying need for self-expression that characterizes so much of our own artistic effort seems absent in the Eskimo philosophy and thought processes that has resulted in some of the world's finest art forms

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gins with the time-worn flight to ebster's to seek the definitions of the ree words he is to write about. Thereter he takes the reader on "work-assoation" tour of famous cities of the orld in an effort to convince that the ty is more a verbal than a visual symbol.

Listed as an "urban architect," Ersto Rogers describes this new species already having lost faith in their ability. he architect has always been accused by e artist and landscape architect of addg their specialties as unimportant afteroughts and now the planner is accused urban architect Rogers of regarding chitecture in much the same manner in e planning of the cities. The architect's tiable and vulnerable position as a spealist in specialists, proficient in none, is ell documented. Signor Rogers suggests at the answer lies in the architect's pility to imagine the image of a city from I the statistics being gathered by the ther professions.

In each of the three volumes Kepes as included articles that do not at first onsideration seem especially pertinent the announced title of the book, but ossibly in part because of this inconruity, they are the articles that remain ith the reader after he has set the book ide. Candid interviews with motorclists, the importance of the bead as n eye symbol, and a cartoon essay by sborn on the effects of a hangover ould seem to have no relevance in the eries, but they each provide a respite hich somehow becomes appropriate mong the other essays.

As one would expect of books that ress the importance of visual design, the olumes are very attractive. The layouts re spacious, often restricting one idea to page. The over-all effect is an extravaance of white page that is not seen often nough today. In keeping with author epes' belief that there are important leas that cannot be wholly grasped by ords alone, he has organized the books o that "the visual images are the conent and the verbal statements are the lustrations."

The criticism of the "readability" of he series lies in the frequent use of engthy lines. These long lines require a onscious effort and become annoyingly iresome when compounded by the rtist-authors continual reliance on words ke mythopoetic, initiatic, and anthroponorphized. This group of writers seems o have at last mastered unintelligibility n both the visual and verbal media.

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