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Letters to the editor

Permit me to take issue with Kathleen Kelly’s October 1974 office practice article on standard contract forms for professional services. No standard document produced by AIA or anyone else (including lawyers) can be used without some modification. All AIA documents recognize this in the caveat which appears in the “title block” of every contract form: “This contract has important legal consequences; consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.” The “tragedy” cited by Ms. Kelly exists not in the document but in the architect’s handling thereof. If the architect in his dealings with Ms. Kelly had explained that most everything she was criticizing as not being in the contract was actually there—albeit via additional services—perhaps the tenor of her criticism would have changed. The article opts for full detail in the contract yet contradicts itself by pointing out, correctly, that too much detail can create contractual chaos. Ignorance on the part of the user about how to properly use it does not ipso facto make the standard form a poor one.

Probably the most difficult part of pre-contract dealings is extracting a clear idea of what the client wants from the architect. The contract form cannot be completed until negotiations are complete; there is no way to arrive at equitable compensation except by full disclosure and a meeting of the minds on required services. Standard forms cannot do things for the architect.

There is too often a tendency, especially on the part of governmental bodies, to treat the top dollar first by picking an arbitrary percentage figure or setting an arbitrary maximum lump sum and then talking services. This usually results in “blitzing” the architect’s contract and requiring a lot of extra work without equitable compensation.

Contrary to Ms. Kelly’s conclusion, the architect is well-advised to stay with standard documents which have court-tested wording, wording which tracks other AIA contract documents and ties them all together. The following quotation from Lawyers and Their Work by Johnstone and Hopson (Robbs-Merrill Co., Inc., 1967) emphasizes this point in a discussion specifically on the AIA documents:

“Standardized instruments also make for certainty which is increased the longer and more widely the forms are used. Judicial and trade interpretations gradually amplify the documents’ express terms, and continued usage increases familiarity with the instruments in a variety of situations. Standard forms are likely to be important enough so that more care and skill go into their preparation and revision than is ture of many non-form instruments.”

Following is a quotation from “Contract Alerts” issued in conjunction with seminars on liability conducted by the Office for Professional Liability Protection (c/o Victor O. Schinnerer & Company, Inc.):

“The use of standard AIA or NSPE contract documents is highly recommended. When they cannot be used or if they are to be modified because of the client’s requirements or otherwise, architects and engineers must be alert to the implications of non-standard contract provisions.

It is of more than passing interest to the profession that New York, California and Ohio have developed a method of determining gross compensation based on prior determination of the services to be required. The Institute, too, has its eye on this as a logical means for the individual practitioner to develop an equitable approach to his compensation. This Cost-Based method allows the architect to price the maximum extent of his involvement. With this method there are no surprises, especially to the owner or the architect. Additional services asked for after the contract is signed are easily identified because they have not been previously spelled out.

This appears to be the answer to Ms. Kelly’s concern that the architect gets trapped in the money game. It is certainly a lot better and far more prudent than trying to write a new, “appropriate” agreement for each job.

Bernard B. Rothschild, FIAA, FCSI, Finch Alexander Barnes Rothschild and Paschal, Inc. Atlanta, Georgia

Your editorial in the January issue was well done and certainly has a great deal of meat for discussion. Frankly, I wonder if our illustrious Federal government has the wisdom to listen.

Philip J. Meath, FAIA, Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates Inc.

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Tweedle-dum; Tweedle-dee: Where do they get those priorities?

Nothing inconsistent about me: I went up in smoke again when I read that the President had chosen—now that he had decided to release some impounded funds—to release $2 billion of impounded Highway Trust Funds. $2 billion for roads that we're supposed to minimize driving on so we won't waste for roads when there's no money for roads that we're supposed to minimize—of impounded Highway Trust Funds. $2 billion for roads when there's no money for roads—of impounded funds—to release $2 billion when innnovative housing programs (like New York State's Urban Development Corporation) are foundering? $2 billion for roads when there's no money for slum rehabilitation?

The reason for the release of $2 billion for roads would seem to be based not on any kind of real need (on a scale of 1 to 10, where would you put roads, compared with, say, low-income housing or nursing homes or slum rehabilitation—or pollution control, or better urban schools, or food stamps?)

It sure looks that this particular $2 billion got released because it's the easiest $2 billion to release—the President can simply un-impound it from that blankety-blank, single-purpose, beautifully financed Highway Trust Fund without getting involved with Congress.

The problem is compounded, seems to me, by the rules of the Highway Trust Fund, which require matching funds—sometimes 10 per cent, sometimes 30 per cent—by the states. Thus, the release of $2 billion by the Federal government will give the state governments a Hobson's choice: If they don't come up with the matching funds, they will be subject to highly organized criticism from political opponents, labor, the highway lobby, et al for "failure to obtain available funds for jobs through sloth and incompetence (or something like that)." If they do elect to try and scramble, on a first-come, first-served basis, for their "share" of the Federal money, they are surely diverting limited state funds to highways that they might (given a free choice) use for an entirely different array of priorities.

Finally, while we're coping with inflation, let us consider that in no other area of construction have costs gone up over one-third in the last year—as they have in road-building.

There is no doubt that the road-building industry can use the boost. But... The Acting Secretary of DOT, John Barnum, makes a "good case" for this particular un-impoundment: the money can be committed immediately, with preference given to projects that can begin immediately; an estimated 107,000 jobs will be created, half on construction sites, half in supplying industries; and unemployment is drastic in the highway construction industry.

Can't argue with any of that—except to suggest that you could make the same case for releasing housing funds; with the added kicker that we could get for the $2 billion if it were housing funds that had been released is about 100,000 housing units that real people could live in instead of more and/or smoother roads. The same and probably more jobs in an industry with equal unemployment. Housing starts might even (one blushes to suggest) employ a few architects.

Isn't (for example) housing coming back anyway; and gotten its own Federal funds? The answer is yes and no: and mostly no. George Christie, chief economist for McGraw-Hill Information Systems Company and the most accurate crystal ball in the East, points out in his first 1975 Forecast update (page 63): "While the improvement from beginning to end of 1975 is able to be quite strong, the year's total of housing starts is not apt to exceed 1.4 million, mainly because the recovery will be taking off from an extremely low point." N.B.: Most of that housing, Mr. Christie figures, will be single-family housing.

At the NAHB conference/Exhibition in January, the homebuilders were cheered by promises of more support from the Feds. For example, under the Home Buyers Emergency Assistance Act of 1974, $3 billion has already been released for mortgage funding and another $2 billion is due soon. Sound good? That's about it: It sounds good. But for a whole lot of complicated reasons (including now-cost more than people are willing to pay for them) the mortgage-easing route hasn't worked.

So why not be $2 billion direct about it? In August 1974 the President signed the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, authorizing $12 billion of spending authority over three years. That money was intended for direct subsidy of housing and the improvement of community infrastructure—like water treatment and pollution control. Almost none of that $12 billion has been appropriated because HUD just hasn't gone after it—which is just about as useful as impounding it. How about $2 billion of that money?

In short, while we're making jobs (and there is indeed a great need for that) how about making jobs that make improvements that are needed more than new roads?

Walter F. Wagner, Jr.
Reducing building energy use: How—constraints or incentives?

It's no secret that Federal and state governments, and model-code groups as well, are moving toward mandatory standards for energy usage in buildings, and with little momentum. The Administration's proposed Energy Independence Act of 1975 would require HUD, with the collaboration of the Federal Energy Administration and Department of Commerce, and utilizing the National Bureau of Standards, to propose energy performance standards for both residential and commercial buildings. Buildings that don't comply would not be eligible for Federally-financed loans, or even loans from Federally-insured or regulated banks. State and local codes are viewed as is, "an existing means by which to assure with a minimum of Federal interference..." that newly constructed buildings contain adequate energy conservation features.

Ever since the oil embargo, political pressure has mounted for codified building energy standards. And if these are to be enacted, many building departments and code groups would like to reference a consensus-type standard that is clear and enforceable.

Whether these standards will be of the prescriptive or of the budget type remains to be seen. Many state governments are currently considering ASHRAE Standard 90 P, "Energy Conservation in New Building Design," which is prescriptive with respect to the building envelope, but which provides a budget approach for determining permissible watts per square foot for lighting. The building designer doesn't have to abide by the prescriptive rules, however, if he can demonstrate that his design will not exceed the budget figures determined by the 90 P requirements.

The state of Ohio, on the other hand, has developed energy budgets for the 67 building types included in their state code. The budget figures are Btu/hr/sq ft connected load (not energy usage), and typically are 50 Btu/hr/sq ft (about 112,000 Btu/sq ft/year) for office buildings, 40 for elementary schools, 70 for hospitals, 100 for stores.

Neither ASHRAE Standard 90 P nor Ohio's energy code set limits on actual energy consumption, and for this reason have been criticized by some architects, engineers and building owners among others. While actual energy consumption can be directly determined by meters and fuel bills, it is not easy to say how it might be predicted during the design stage, and whether qualified personnel would be available in building-code departments to evaluate such predictions.

The American Institute of Architects, commenting upon ASHRAE 90 P, has stated, "The present state of the art is such that no reliable standards can be set, and the adoption of the standards approach in formal legislation may retard the nation's realization of its greatest potential in conserving energy in buildings."

The AIA has taken a completely different tack, indicated with the presentation of their new report last month, "A Nation of Energy Efficient Buildings by 1990." Their premise is that older buildings should be retrofitted, and new buildings designed with more energy-conserving equipment. The AIA states that this approach could save as much raw energy as each of the prime energy systems produce: domestic oil, nuclear energy, natural gas or coal.

But in a capital-short economy—which economists predict will continue for some time to come—where is the money to come from? Leo A. Daly, FAIA, chairman of the AIA Energy Steering Committee, in a talk before the Federal Power Commission, suggested that the $2.5 million barrels of oil per day (equivalent) could be saved by 1920 with energy-conserving new and retrofitted buildings. He estimated the capital to generate this otherwise "wasted" energy as $415 billion. If the additional cost to buildings were 10, 15 or 20 per cent, the time required for payoff would be 10, 13 and 15 years, respectively.

The AIA sees this sort of strategy: with reduced payback periods (10, 13, 15 years instead of 30), national capital shortage would be significantly reduced. Present energy suppliers would begin to act as "the basic integrator and manager of a national energy system." There would be an optimum mix of on-site generation and traditional supplies. The energy system within the building, says the AIA, might be owned by the utility and an energy service charge would be levied, which could be structured for a higher than normal return, yielding a surplus to go back into capital investment "to keep the ball rolling." But utilities appear to be having plenty of trouble right now getting their rates increased to pay for higher fuel costs and for capital expenditures for new generating facilities. In fact, they lost potential capital during the oil embargo when customers cut back energy usage by 16 per cent or more during the winter months. So again the question, where does the capital come from? Has the AIA talked to the "energy" companies? To the Federal government?

Can energy budgets work?  Where do the numbers come from?

The energy budget idea is attractive to architects. Some engineers, such as Arnold Windman of Syska & Hennessy, think it makes sense too. Writing recently in Business Week, Windman says that there has been too much legislating and too little engineering applied to, fill all, air pollution, and, now, energy. He feels that energy budgets could be developed for business buildings if the sample is large enough—in this case, at least 2,500.

Manufacturers of glass and lighting products would prefer to see the energy budget approach take precedence. They feel, and without justification, that prescriptive requirements for the building envelope and for candle levels limit the options of designers and building owners, and unduly penalize building sub-systems.

The Flat Glass Energy Conservation Committee has proposed a Model Energy Bill, which gives values for the "designed annual energy consumption at the building boundary excluding process equipment." Typical values are: 150,000 for office buildings, 125.00 for schools, 175.00 for hospitals, 200.00 for mercantile.

In support of the 150,000 figure for buildings, the Committee cites a 1972 study by consulting engineers Ross and Baru; aided by BOMA International, showed average of 122,119 for 86 buildings with computer facilities, and an average of 175 for 144 buildings with computer facilities.

Engineer Larry Spielberg doesn't think meaningful energy budgets are all easy to arrive at. He cites the range of energy consumption found in surveys. Further, he says that energy consumption varies with mechanical system—fan-coil, invariable-air-volume; central vs. unitary energy, for one thing, can be very significant. Also, he points out, there is no direct relationship between installed capacity of hvac equipment and energy consumption.

There seems to be very little, if any, discussion publicly of whether or not energy itself might be a sufficient constraint for banding energy—the constraint per sweetened a bit with capital tax reduction. More efficient hvac equipment. Despite present disparities in energy costs across the country, the feeling in Washington is that will even out, and everybody will pay more.

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GOOD YEAR CHEMICALS
Federal policies in housing, transportation and labor have shifted to new cabinet members. Clara Hills, the new Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, is expected to have little to do with initiating policy, but will see to it that HUD programs maneuvered through Congress last year get off the ground successfully. The new Labor Secretary, John T. Dunlop, is well known to the construction industry and although not making his views on the industry situation known now, he has indicated support for a boost in housing. William T. Coleman, Secretary of Transportation, sees a need to promote more investment in transit. Profiles of these new cabinet members appear on page 34.

Changes in Senate and House Banking Committee leadership may have significant impact on construction financing. With Wisconsin liberal Democrats Senator William Proxmire and Representative Henry Reuss assuming the chairmanships of the two Banking Committees, the nation’s money markets, banks and thrift institutions can expect to be the targets of Congressional activity. Goals are to ease up the money supply, and aid the housing industry among others. For an in-depth profile of these two important public figures, see page 35.

The updated Dodge/Sweet’s Construction Outlook for 1975 places new construction value at $98 billion, up 5 per cent over 1974. Residential construction, with 1.4 million projected new starts, will lead last year by 11 per cent, but non-residential building is expected to decline by 10 per cent, with a 1975 value of $30.6 billion. For further coverage of the Outlook, see page 57.

Changes in its construction management policies will be explained by GSA on April 23, in Washington. Changes in the GSA approach include: evaluation of construction manager qualifications; the scope of the CM’s work; the criteria for CM selection; and the relationship between GSA, the construction manager, and the architect-engineer. Those interested in attending the briefing may contact Ms. Charlene Heeter at (202) 343-4731, or write GSA in Washington, D. C.

The International Architectural Foundation design competition has so far received 400 applications to participate in the design of a housing community in Manila. Entrants are being sought from around the world, and the deadline for registering is May 15, 1975. (See page 176 for details.)

EPA has announced state shares of $4 billion for sewage treatment construction grants. The amount is said to represent a substantial portion of the funds which, under earlier Presidential direction, had been withheld from the allotment of sums for fiscal 1973 and 1974. The money will be divided among the states under the same formula that was used in the allocation of funds in fiscal 1973 and 1974.

GSA has issued a caveat emptor regarding “influence peddling” in A-E selection. According to the General Services Administration, it has come to their attention that there are certain public relations firms and similar organizations claiming to have “personal influence” in the selection of A-E firms for GSA projects. GSA warns that no such influence exists and that any allegation of such influence should be considered as false representation and treated accordingly.

Sir Nikolaus Pevsner has been awarded the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation Medal in Architecture, presented by the University of Virginia annually to an individual who had made outstanding contributions to architecture. The April 14 presentation to the noted English architectural historian carries a $5000 prize. Dr. Pevsner is known for his 46-volume work, The Buildings of England, and has authored numerous other books, including An Outline of European Architecture. He is presently professor emeritus of art history at Birkbeck College of the University of London.

The General Services Administration second Biennial Design Awards program has been announced. GSA Administrator Arthur F. Sampson said entries are encouraged from architects, engineers, interior designers, energy consultants, artists, urban planners and private industry. Entries must pertain to projects successfully bid or where construction was begun by December 31, 1974. Entries will be judged in May and awards announced in June. More information may be obtained from Walter Roth, Public Buildings Service, GSA, 18th and F Streets, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20405.

An architectural design competition for a community school center has been announced by the NIAE. The 1975 Hirons Prize is co-sponsored by the National Institute for Architectural Education and the AIA, through the Educational Facilities Committee of the New York Chapter. The competition is open to all persons in the architectural field under 35 years of age who are not enrolled in a full-time architectural academic program. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the program from: Byron Bell, National Institute for Architectural Education, 20 West 40th Street, New York, N.Y. 10018.

New cabinet members have construction roles

Control of Federal policies in housing and urban development, transportation and labor has shifted to three new members of President Ford’s cabinet. Only one of the three, Secretary of Labor John T. Dunlop, is widely known to the construction industry and in one capacity, or another, Dunlop, a Harvard University economics professor, has been involved in trying to ease the industry’s labor relations problems for 30 years.

In contrast, the new Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Carla Hills, has little experience in either housing or urban affairs.

Before moving to HUD, Mrs. Hills headed the Civil Law Division of the Justice Department where she supervised the work of 237 lawyers and managed a budget of $11.5 million a year. At HUD, she will be responsible for the work of 15,000 employees and in charge of a spending program that President Ford expects to reach $7 billion in the fiscal year starting July 1.

Mrs. Hills’ job: making White House decisions work

Mrs. Hills has been likened to her predecessor at HUD, James Lynn, who—fra the Ford-Nixon administration’s point of view—so successfully managed the department that he was promoted to head the powerful Office of Management and Budget. Like Lynn she is a young, smart, successful corporation lawyer.

Mrs. Hills is expected to have little to do in the way of initiating or recommending policy. She will find, as Lynn did, that all the significant decisions are made at the White House. Furthermore, she will find Lynn himself—a firm believer in the Nixon-Ford policies—sitting at the President’s side. Instead, her main job will be to see that the new HUD programs that Lynn maneuvered through Congress last year get off the ground successfully.

Those programs are: 1) The $2.5 billion-per-year community development block grant program (which replaces the categorical grant programs that were frozen in January 1973) and, 2) The new Section 8 leased housing subsidy program for lower-income families (which replaces the Sections 235 and 236 housing subsidy programs also frozen two years ago).

The block grant program should not stir up major troubles—the money is passed out to the cities on a formula basis, and they are free to spend it with little supervision from HUD headquarters. The Section 8 program is something else: the Administration has claimed that it will stimulate literally hundreds of thousands of housing starts over the next couple years, while the housing industry and mortgage lenders say it lacks the incentives to do the job.

Coleman: has mass transit a strong voice at last?

William T. Coleman moved into the post of Secretary of Transportation with trying to find some way the government can assist the nation’s railroads in finding the funds necessary for future development, he said at the job of trying to convince Congress to relax Federal regulations in the transportation field.

In the highway-transit area, Coleman recently told a panel of senators at his confirmation hearing that more funds for transit capital projects may be needed beyond the present $12 billion Federal commitment to transit over the next six years. However, he resisted any suggestions that the highway program should be totally abolished. Until transit facilities can be greatly improved, Coleman added, “Society’s best hope is not turning away from the private automobile. For this reason, the interstate highway program as well as the rural program will have to be an important part of any over-all transportation system,” he added.

While the Administration is committed to finishing the interstate system, it has also proposed a radical change in road funding. Under the program, expected to take form of legislation soon, are funding changes designed to eliminate about $5 billion in Federal road-building authority. Interstate funding would continue at approximately $3.5 billion per year, but Congressional authorization of long-term road financing beyond that level which presently exists will be scrapped. These funds will be moved out of the Highway Trust Fund and into general revenues for other uses, including transit; also planned are tax changes designed to limit the amount of Federal excise taxes flowing into the Trust Fund.

Dunlop: a respected pro with a tough new job

John Dunlop’s involvement in the labor relations problems of the construction industry for the past three decades has been so deep as to prompt one observer to ask, not entirely in jest, “What are people of construction and the building trades going to do when one day they don’t have John Dunlop around to solve their problems anymore?”

Dunlop, a political economist, has been known for his experiences from 1971 to 1974 as a government wage-price controller: two years as head of the Construction Industry Stabilization Committee (CISC), followed by 11 months as director of the President’s Task Force on Wage and Price Control.

In this capacity, but perhaps more effectively, he got construction labor management to agree on a joint committee to deal with industry bargaining.

However, he is a man of many faces and apparently boundless energy. He has a solid academic reputation as an economist—he was dean of the faculty of arts and sciences at Harvard before taking on CISC and returned there as a university professor last year—and has long concentrated his attention on the structure problems of the American economy.

As Secretary of Labor, Dunlop will add a strong voice of pragmatism to the inner councils of the Ford Administration. He will be part of the economic deliberations at the White House and, on the basis of his research and beliefs, is likely to come into sharp conflict with conservative advocates of stringent fiscal restraint such as Treasury Secretary William Simon, and Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Despite his long background in construction, Dunlop has not made known his views on what should be done specifically to aid the ailing construction and housing industries, although he did tell his confirmation hearing “I believe the present recession is very heavily concentrated in the housing industry … . I think stimulus for housing is appropriate at this time.”

Dunlop is an advocate of the Government taking a much stronger hand in economic planning. A long-time student of the collective bargaining process, Dunlop has applied this approach to many of his dealings, including the later stages of wage-price control. He has been criticized by conservatives for being too close to unions and letting them get away with too much. And a liberal economist-who has known Dunlop for a long time says his mediator’s approach frequently tends to give the most to the most powerful.

Dunlop, he says, is a master of “united front” bargaining. To his mind: “It depends on the issue—Donald Wildstrom, Donald Loomis, John Higgins, World News.

Honor recipients announced by AIA

Ten individuals, including U.S. Congressmen, have been elected Honorary Members of The American Institute of Architects in recognition of distinguished contributions to architectural profession.

The honorary members, extended to people who have made outstanding contributions to their profession, will be presented with the actual convention this week in Atlanta, Ga., March 25-27.

The new honorary members are: Rep. Thomas Ludlow Asl (Ohio); Augustus Baxt, chairman of the Architect’s Workshop; Biddle, president of the Urban Development Corporation; Representative Brooks (D. -Tex.); J. Biddle, director of the U.S. Department of Commerce; W. Maury Dunlop, attorney; Philip chairman of the board of The American Institute of Architects, Geller, George A., an economic consultant; Kory, director of co-op development; N.Y. State Development Corp; Robert N. Ray, president, Allegheny Co-op Community Dev.; and Bernard Weisbl, president of Metropolitan Chicago.

The AIA also announced that Van B. Bruner Jr., has been elected as the recipient of the Whitney M. Young Jr. Prize for 1975. Characterizing the jury on Institute Honor Award as an "eloquent spokesmen," Mr. Bundler said, "he has applied his calling for improving opportunities for minority architects," Bundler applied his "dedicated improvement of opportunities for minority architects," Bundler told his colleagues.

The AIA also picked the Cummins Foundation, Columbia, as the recipient of the 1975 Citation. Organizing the Fund’s efforts, said the jury, the Cummins Architectural Foundation "has been selected to receive the Cutt Labs’ most prestigious architectural showcase and the best possible example how architecture can change the physical environment of the quality of life.”

The 1975 AIA Research Award, announced an individual or organization for natural material in a research project that has achieved environmental research advancement, will be awarded the Environmental Research and Development Foundation, City, Mo., for its "studies on environmental response to the natural environment.”
nking chairman may shake money markets

Feisty Wisconsin liberal Democrats, Senator William Proxmire and Rep. Henry Reuss, as the men of the Senate and banking Committees, posing policy, as well guidelines and conditions that construction industry's will be affected.

Years the nation's banks, banks and thrift is have operated with deference from Con- gradulating the not infrequently their own between the Senate and House Banking agencies they were headed by John Sparkman (D-Representative Wright D-TEX). While bothottie to strong support for housing —

Chairmen reject, however, two policy positions taken by the Democratic party: all-out wage-price controls and a new Reconstruction Finance Corporation to bail out failing companies. Proxmire is the better known of the pair, having been in the headlines frequently with attacks on waste in the Pentagon and assailing bailouts for bankrupt corporations.

Reuss is widely conceded to be the most knowledgeable House member on economic issues, particularly complex international monetary questions. Critics wonder, however, how effective he will be in negotiating controversial measures through the legislative shoals.

A senior Republican on the Committee, Representative Chalmers Wylie of Ohio, sees Reuss as a "charge-down-the-field type when he gets an idea, but it remains to be seen how skilled a negotiator he will be."

Overall, however, he expects Reuss to be a "fair and effective" chairman who will give everyone a chance to be heard — something he says Patman did not do. But Wylie worries that the thrust of Reuss' chairmanship will be to "invade the marketplace (as with credit allocation) and impede rather than encourage capital formation." Reuss for openness: an eye on Federal Reserve

Reuss' first bill through the House was a resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the Federal Reserve should conduct monetary policy this year in a manner designed to lower long-term interest rates. He charges that on the record the Fed has followed a "disastrous" stop-start policy, and he wants the extremes ironed out. He is not a perpetual "easy money" man, however; in hearings last April he was chastising the Fed for letting the money supply grow too fast in the previous two years. "At the time I was saying stop the drunken sailor-izing," and so was Senator Proxmire," he recalls. Proxmire also feels the Fed is too much a power unto itself and should be brought more under the policy direction of Congress.

Both argue for more investment in social purposes

Another prominent issue this year will be credit allocation. Democratic leaders in Congress have embraced allocation as a party position, and the two banking committees will be holding hearings. Proxmire is cool to the idea, except that he would consider ways of requiring banks to put more of their lending into the housing field. He is also interested in the possibility of requiring them to buy more housing paper, or use the discount rate to steer more money into mortgages.

Reuss has introduced a bill ordering the Fed to allocate credit to "priority" social purposes such as housing, small businesses, and productive capital investment" and away from conglomerate takeovers, currency speculation or bidding up inventories. Already a compromise is in the works, however. The beleaguered Fed is expected to propose ways of being more voluntary "affirmative action" under which banks are supposed to be channeling more credit into social-priority lending on their own.

On the housing front, a bill subsidizing mortgage interest for middle-income citizens as a way of moving the existing housing surplus off the market, is expected to clear Congress quickly. The government would pick up the tab for interest charges over 6 percent, phasing out the subsidy over six years. Presumably the higher incomes will come along enough during that time to enable them to pay the full interest charged by the time the subsidy runs out.

Proxmire has also been a strong supporter of government subsidies in the Section 235 and 236 programs. And the committees may get into legislation to prevent mass foreclosures on homes. Several proposals to bail out homeowners unable to meet their mortgage payments have been introduced, but the committees have not yet put them on their priority agenda.

High on both committees' agenda are proposals for variable rates on mortgages, with Congressional pressure likely to be against the idea. Congress has 90 days to stop the Home Loan Bank Board from authorizing variable rates. The thrift institutions are supporting the proposals, but the AFL-CIO and consumer groups are opposed and commercial banks are expecting to stay neutral. Twice before the agency has backed down under Congressional opposition.

A set of complicated problems will face the two new chairmen when they get down to legislation aimed at restructuring the nation's financial markets. It is far from clear where things will come out.

The Administration is expected to resubmit proposals based on the Hunt Commission's recommendations which got nowhere in the last Congress—but with more hope of action now. Basically they are aimed at letting savings and loans handle checking accounts and broaden the scope of their lending beyond residential housing, while getting other lenders more into mortgage lending and increasing competition in the industry.

Proxmire is leery of anything that would jeopardize the S & L's favored position as generators of home mortgage money, including an end to Regulation Q which lets them earn higher interest than full-service banks, and Treasury is backing off its proposed phase-out of Regulation Q. To Reuss, Regulation Q is "philosophically all wrong," but he sees no way of ending it except as part of a complete overhaul of financial institutions. "Our highly compartmentalized banking system is part of the problem that periodically hits housing," he figures. But he has not zeroed in on this problem yet, and thinks another commission including legislators—just industry representatives—might be needed to study the whole thing once again. Treasury is also ready to include credit unions as mortgage lenders, which will win some friends for the package on Capital Hill.

In any event, the banking panels which have been rather sleepy half-tricks for the past few years are likely to be the storm center of a great deal of controversial legislation for the next few years. —David Secrest, World News Washington.

Grand Central loses landmark status

Late in January, State Supreme Court (New York) Justice Irvin H. Saypol invalidated the landmark designation of Grand Central Terminal in New York City, paving the way for what many fear would be either demolition of the structure, or construction of a 59-story office tower over it.

The court decision did not question the constitutionality of New York's landmark laws, but did find that Grand Central placed an economic hardship on the owner, Penn Central, by preventing the railroad from earning income from its property. However, in the current soft commercial space market in New York, the feasibility of building and the structure being questioned; and a Committee to Save Grand Central Station has been formed in the meantime to overturn the Court's decision. The Committee includes, among others, Philip Johnson and Paul Rudolph. There is also a national wing headed by William Marshall, AIA president, and James Biddle, National Trust for Historic Preservation.

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Medical administration building under construction
This $7 million administration building for the Woodruff Medical Center at Emory University in Atlanta was designed by Heery & Heery Architects and Engineers. Situated on the high point of the site, the building is concrete, with red Spanish tile roofs and brick pavers inside and out. The building's triangular plan reflects circulation patterns across the site, and provides a plaza area as well, adjacent to an interior exhibit area.

Addition to Washington's National Airport started
Completion is expected for the fall of 1976 on this Allegheny Airlines Unit Terminal designed by Giuliani Associates. The $8 million project will include a skylighted ticketing lobby (above) featuring a kiosk type ticketing counter, departure lounge with four gates, and ground level aircraft support facilities. Efficient passenger flow is expected in the single-level scheme, which eliminates stairs and escalators. Construction was begun in mid-November of last year.
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Niemyer, Brazil; James Stirling, United Kingdom; and Arthur Erickson, Canada. (Mr. Erickson is the official advisor to the UIA-conducted design competition mentioned on this page in the Tapiola Medallion story.)

Congress regulations, programs, registration forms and fee schedules are available from AIA, Washington, D.C.

Manila competition attracts Texas students

Five Texas Tech University architectural students claim they are benefiting this semester from a large dose of cultural shock, and they're determined to use their experience to improve urban life.

The five are members of a nine-man student team—working with three faculty members—who have entered a competition offered by the International Architectural Foundation, Inc. (RECORD, March 1975, page 13) to design an environment for urban slum dwellers of Manila.

To get a better understanding of slum conditions in Manila, the five students made a three-week visit to Manila in December, to an area called the Tondo District, which has the highest concentration of inhabitants in the city. Within the Tondo there are 180,000 people, the students report, giving it a density of 685 people per acre.

While in Manila, the architectural students visited with officials of several government agencies to learn the parameters of the problem, and with community organizations. The Filipinos, they said, had done a detailed study of the situation and were helpful in sharing data and planning concepts.

The students also visited with individuals in the Tondo district to learn how they earned their livings, what they wanted out of life, how they looked upon the inevitable move from the Tondo which is soon to become an international port area.

"We found a surprising sense of community among the people," one student said, "and we want to design a new environment which will protect this valuable feeling."

The team hopes to develop an urban design approach which will refine strategies for understanding and responding to the character of people and their places.

Working with the nine-member student team are architecture professors William Stewart and Dudley Thompson, who went to Manila, and John White who did not.

(At this writing, over 400 architects and teams have entered the competition. For entry information, see pages 176-177, this issue.)

was cooked in order to subscribe to the need for greater social planning and participation.

"I shall conclude these brief remarks by reflecting on the significance of Tapiola today. Its importance is no longer that of a concept but of a realization. Here one sees the interaction of social and architectural ideas with the stubborn realities imposed by time, money, politics, organization and the other worldly considerations. From being a subject of critical analysis, Tapiola has become the material history. In the panorama of social and architectural failures, not simply of project but of disasters of programmatic scale, the success of Tapiola requires historical interpretation. How did it survive the forces that have prematurely aged Cumbernauld and made it a passing fancy that converted the promise of Reston as an alternative to suburbia to another form of suburbanization? That have placed the indelible stamp of bureaucracy upon the new towns of Britain and the Soviet Union alike?"

"An urbanizing world demands answers to these questions. They will be asked in the 1976 conference of the United Nations on human settlements. One would like to think that Finland could offer there in Vancouver some graphic description in which pride of accomplishment is balanced by a maturity of historical interpretation that will allow the meaning of Tapiola today to be given a worldwide application equal to its worldwide renown."
Sullivan versus Burnham?
It's now Burnham versus Sullivan


Reviewed by Edmund M. Bacon

The conflict between Daniel Burnham and Louis Sullivan, those titans of the once-fertile Chicago school, is an issue which is as bright today as it was when these giants first articulated it during the decades around the turn of the century.

At first, of course, "Dan" Burnham was the darling of the establishment, the friend and co-worker of such people as Cyrus McCormick and Frederic Delano. Louis Sullivan, physically wasted and financially impoverished, was the voice from the wilderness. As time went on the Louis Sullivan cry was picked up by a growing number of "modern" architects, until they themselves became the new establishment. Anyone who dared to say a good word for Daniel Burnham was immediately pounced upon, and branded with those pejorative words, "City Beautiful Movement," which, for some obscure reason, were supposed to represent everything that was reprehensible. This type of thinking impregnated the whole structure of the intellectual establishment, and still is mindlessly repeated as the new truth except in such arcane corners as the pages of the Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians.

Daniel Burnham of Chicago by Thomas S. Hines restores the discussion of this conflict to the level of a rational discourse. The value of the book lies in the fact that it is a serious attempt to restructure the issues raised by the Burnham-Sullivan conflict in the light of what we know today. To my mind this restructuring is of very great value and is long overdue.

Lest by my ponderous introduction I give the impression that this is a formidable, academic type of book, I hasten to say that it is a very warm, personal biography of a very interesting and enjoyable character, and that the book is beautifully written. When I first heard of it I wondered why, in these days of paper shortage, a new biography was needed in view of Charles Moore's 462-page two-volume biography of Burnham, first published in 1921 and recently republished by Da Capo Press. The answer lies in the fact that Hines knows how to write, leavened by the historical perspective that has accumulated during the period between the two books. Unfortunately, in terms of size, layout and quality of illustrations, we have gone way downhill since the 1909 "Plan of Chicago" was put out under Burnham's supervision. In terms of communication the contrast between this and the Hines book is startling, the latter most assuredly not communicating by its design the ebullience, stature and breadth of view of its subject. This...

Mr. Bacon was executive director of the Philadelphia City Planning Commission from 1949 until his retirement in 1970. In this role he began a continuous program of rebuilding for which Philadelphia has become famous. He is the author of Design of Cities.

handicap is largely offset by the freshness of the writing, which never lags.

This is a many-faceted book. Even if one were not interested in architecture or city planning, nor especially in Burnham the man, one would likely find the book rewarding because of the window it provides on a significant period of American history. Here the writer's skills come on full force. Through a judicious intermix of separate documentary fragments and sociological backgrounds, Hines brings alive many of the forces that were beating upon Burnham and his contemporaries, and which are shaping our lives today.

At this point I would express a slight disappointment. While I think Hines succeeded admirably in connecting Burnham with historical movements one or two decades before and after his work, I do not think he did as well in relating Burnham to his deeper roots going back to the earlier history of this country, nor to the longer-range implication and impact of his work. The discussion of the interrelation of Burnham's and L'Enfant's approach to the planning of Washington is superficial, and, while frequently mentioned in the book, the debt that modern city planning owes to Burnham was not adequately covered.

Details stand out. I wish even more stress had been laid on the basic plan and interrelationship of buildings and landscape in the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition, and its long-term lessons, such as: the plan is more important than surface stylistic manifestations. I wish he had discussed the fact that Daniel Chester French's colossal figure of the Republic turned her back on Lake Michigan, probably because this fact intrigues me. But under such a broad, generous, lucid ambience, all is forgiven.

It is fashionable nowadays for academics and writers to take the disembodied view of the pure intellectual, to avoid at all costs expressing their own view of the value issues involved in the work they are doing, and so render themselves invulnerable to the accusation of error. Hines does not slide into this happy Nirvana.

In his discussion of the Sullivan-Burnham conflict, Hines is dealing with a very difficult issue. For some reason this issue seems to strike a very sensitive nerve, and almost all references to it have been highly inflamed. Hines' description of it is measured, objective, fair and fascinating, and, I think, will carry along partisans of either side up until the end.

Then, thank God, he is willing to come to a conclusion. The last sentence of the book is a resounding declaration, and I leave it to you to read the entire book to find out what it is—but don't read the end first.

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The visual output of the project planning system is a computer-plotted, time-scaled, critical path network that illustrates activities and their logic relationships. All information describing an activity (the work item number, description, duration, and interdependencies) is plotted on the network. Although great emphasis has been placed on the use of the plotted network as the primary project scheduling document, the system also offers to the user a full range of conventional printout reports, sorting out activities by performer, time frame, milestones, or other useful categories.

The key element to success of the system is the ability to easily update the current schedule and turn-around the results in the shortest possible time in order that necessary action may be taken. Using the graphic display as the prime tool of the system, the recording of actual field progress and changes to the over-all plan can be maintained and monitored at the field level. When a formal update is needed, it can generally be produced in a few days from the time a scheduling engineer obtains the information. Due to the simplicity of the system, a small number of logic changes in a given time period may make a manual update more realistic. Thus, the system is self-sufficient and requires a minimum of corporate staff services.

The operational costs of running the system compete favorably with existing scheduling packages. Where costs of construction and benefits from early occupancy are substantial, proper application of the system may pay for itself many times over through the savings of time and related dollars. Of course, costs de-
Several project control concepts are inherent in the Turner system and are essential for its success at the operating level. A key one is the philosophy of “early start” which gears management to think in terms of starting activities as soon as possible, rather than at the last available moment. Such a philosophy stimulates a search for activities which could start earlier than originally planned, e.g. when an activity can start vs. when it must start.

A second concept in project control involves the level of network detail. Here, the aim is to develop a level of detail necessary to monitor or control significant activities of the project, but without providing unnecessary detail. This level of detail is directly related to the type of project (high-rise, hospital, commercial, industrial, etc.), to the complexities of the project, and to the type of contract (construction management, general contract, consulting, pure construction services). Throughout, the aim is to avoid the high degree of network detail which has in many cases proved unworkable. An effective plan must provide the minimum level of detail which can provide a sound basis for the monitoring and control of significant project elements. At the early stages of a project, emphasis should be placed on developing in adequate detail the schedule for the next 6 to 9 months. Actual progress will dictate the degree to which activities previously developed on a more summary basis need additional controls in the form of a more detailed definition of the work. This may be accomplished by means of separate subnetworks or by expanding the current level of network detail.

Inherent in the Turner scheduling philosophy is the idea that one makes greater effort to form of developing specific recovery plans to return the project to its initial time objective. By keeping end dates fixed, reassessment studies evaluate alternative construction schemes (unusual expediting, shift work, logic revisions) in order to accomplish the end objectives.

**The project scheduling cycle**

The project scheduling cycle is the process by which the project schedule is developed, reviewed and monitored. The cycle is illustrated in Figure 2, and a detailed discussion of each stage follows:

**Stage 1, the input phase:** At this stage, the project manager, and/or the project superintendent along with a scheduling engineer and members of the project management team organize the information necessary for the development of a preliminary project schedule. This initial involvement of the project staff is vital to the establishment and support of the computerized project schedule. It becomes the responsibility of a Turner scheduling engineer to stimulate and encourage discussion during the planning phase. Activities should be forced to start as early as possible, thus supporting an “early start philosophy.” However, realistic constraints at the start and finish of activities should be recognized, such as: manpower, costs, logistics, flow of work, etc.

A key to the success of any project schedule is the degree of detail which is developed. Prior to drawing the network diagram, consideration should be given to the level of detail. It is important to recognize that there are two distinct concepts involving the level of detail. The first concept deals with the number of different contract items to be delineated on the schedule. The second concept deals with the delineation of each of the contract items.

As an example of the first concept of level of detail, consider the scheduling of every item of work handled by each trade or subcontractor. This has been done in the past using CPM software packages and has met with varying degrees of acceptance and success. A second approach is to focus planning efforts on identifying those contract items which most often control the flow of work on a project. In general, this approach has resulted in the production of a much more effective and more manageable schedule.

An example of the second concept of level of detail, consider the scheduling of two projects similar in construction but different in size. The larger project may require a greater dissection of the construction activities to provide the same control as the smaller project. There may be little difference in the type of work activities scheduled, but there will be a significant variation in the number of monitorable activities scheduled.

The most important schedule planning tool is a project master schedule. This schedule should be developed at the beginning of the project and used to set the framework for all detailed schedules.

The master schedule is made up of all the applicable important items in the project delivery process—i.e. land acquisition, budget approvals, demolition, clearing, surveys, borings,

**Figure 2.** Process elements and feedback flow of the computer-linked Turner project scheduling system.

| Activity 101 lasts 2 weeks and activity 110 can start upon completion of 101 and lasts 4 weeks (which equals 20 work days). |
| Activities 130 and 140 can start upon completion of activity 120. |
| After 2 weeks from the start of activity 150, activity 160 can commence. The notation "10 DS\(\) signifies a delay of 10 days (or 2 weeks) for activity 160 from the start of activity 150 which is implied by the time scale. |

Activity 180 cannot start until week 6, or until activities 170 and 175 finish. Activity 170 can be delayed finishing to week 6 without changing the start of activity 180. This allowable delay is called “float.” 175 directly affects the start date of 180 and creates the float in activity 170.

This notation combines delayed start and float. Activity 200 cannot start until week 3 after the finish of 195, or 5 days after the start of activity 190. This is done to prevent the activity ever coming last. Therefore, if activity 190 starts behind schedule by less than 2 weeks, activity 200 can still be on time.

After 5 days from the completion of activity 210, activity 220 can finish. The delayed finish (DF) imposes a condition on activity 220 that it cannot finish until at least 5 days after activity 210 finishes.

Activity 240 cannot finish until 5 days after the finish of activity 230. The completion of activity 230 can float 1 week without affecting the completion of activity 240.

DS = Delayed Start
DF = Delayed Finish

**Figure 3.** Logic relationships of the network plan based on a scale of 5-day weeks.

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has a high degree of flexibility, with many available options. Some of these options are: 1) banding groups of activities; 2) plotting only specific activities, such as mechanical or electrical; 3) plotting a specified time period; 4) graphically identifying the critical path; and 5) designation of procurement activities. This plotter software program was developed specifically for Turner and is linked internally with that of the CPM program, and provides the user optimum turnaround time and ease of operation and handling.

Stage 5, plotter device phase: Following the selection of system options, a decision is made regarding the use of one of the several alternative plotting methods for producing the final graphic network. A drum or flat bed computer-driven plotting device is generally used to produce the graphic display. Or, a microfilm plotting procedure can be used to reproduce the network on 35 mm microfilm. A third alternative is available which utilizes a cathode ray tube unit to produce an image of the network. This method has been used successfully in presentations and internal training to demonstrate the capabilities of the system.

Stage 6, reproducible graphic network: Once the plotting of the schedule has been completed, the plot is sent to a specified address via a predetermined designated delivery method. In general, delivery time of plot revisions is within a few days from the time the data are received at the center.

Stage 7, project planning and control phase: During this phase the schedule is implemented by project management. A key component of the implementation of the schedule is periodic review and update which generally identifies problem areas and stimulates the investigation of alternative solutions. This phase closes the loop to the cycle and integrates a continuous chain of action and interaction.

The monitoring process is, of course, nothing more than determining on a periodic basis where the project actually stands when compared with the plan. In addition to consideration of actual vs. planned time expenditures, effective monitoring should evaluate physical progress, value of work in place and manpower expended against the plan. Obviously, the real task of controlling a job with regard to schedule only begins with the creation of a formal plan and monitoring actual progress against that plan. The difficult part is to evaluate the update or monitoring data and to re-analyze the logic of the original plan based upon this and other new information to develop the plan to complete the project in the most expeditious manner economically consistent with the quality desired. In effect, this may mean replanning the entire job on some periodic basis. Included in this process is the communication and leadership required to put the new plan into action.

In summary Turner feels that the degree of flexibility along with the components of the graphic display make the CPM scheduling system an effective and responsive management tool. The fact that Turner is using this scheduling system does not mean the elimination of more traditional tools. The system is not a cure-all; it is only one of several procedures such as statistical modeling, cost control systems, job minutes, manpower analysis, etc. Thus far, however, it has been an extremely effective tool resulting from Turner's philosophy of adopting, developing or modifying systems which will support the firm's method of operations, rather than subject personnel to "canned" programs which may adversely affect the management process itself.

While most management tools identify where a project is at any given time, the Turner project scheduling system is an attempt to define where the project is going. It is a forward planning tool as well as a monitoring tool. The distinctive graphic display is the tool provided to help managers plan for completing the construction project on time and on budget.

-Garrett Thompson

Turner not only invites but insists upon the participation of owners, designers, consultants and contractors in setting up the basis of a feasible schedule. They are carrying the notion forward to prototype schedules for various building types. These will then form the basis of the approach to projects. In effect, they will be a time-related check list of things to consider, inherent milestones and historically documented time frames for all activities. Such a prototype schedule would, of course, be edited and adapted to the particulars of any given project of the building type.
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you confused by the stream of contraints that is being passed off as economic icy these days?

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ter, this means only one thing: he has given his WIN program with its restraints and res-

servation, and in exchange for WIN buttons: substituting policies geared to stimulating very and expansion. Fine, but then the t day he comes out with his "Economic ort of the President" in which he gives us zek at how he and his key advisors think—
ten—-the next few years will go. This is a forecast of recovery and expansion. This scenario of excessive unemployment and lerable inflation.

Or . . . how about a double reverse? As as December, Mr. Ford was still clinging is notion that what we really needed was income tax surcharge to siphon off excess rand. In January that was changed . . . to x rebate in order to encourage more con-

sierung spending. And then he followed this up t he news that he's going to take it all away n with a new tax on fuel . . . designed to ourage us from buying as much as before. It boggles the mind. But since we have to tition in this Alice-In-Wonderland environ-

ment, here are a couple of interpretations: (1) Ford Administration is even more confused i the rest of us; (2) national economic pol-

s still in transition, being dragged along by its—reacting to them rather than anticip-

ating them. Since alternate 1 is a dead end, see where alternate 2 leads.

Actually, the notion of an economic pol-

n transition fits rather well with what has ed out to be the most critical assumption he original Dodge/Sweet's Construction look for 1975. That was published last Oc-

tober (Record November 1974) and is now for its first updating. Six months ago, when yone in the Ford Administration was oucd with inflation—even though the s were everywhere that the economy was,ing apart—we said this: "In the end, austen-

will eventually yield to the pressure of rising employment. Every bit as critical an eco-

nic issue for 1975 as inflation is when, and abruptly, the present policies of restraint reluctantly be abandoned." That was lastober.

And that's exactly what's been happening for the past month or two, and is still going on. Right now we're seeing the transition from austere policies aimed at containing inflation, to activist programs required to generate recovery. It's just too bad that unemployment had to go all the way up past eight per cent in order to bring this change about.

In plain language, Mr. Ford's latest eco-

mic strategy—it's all there in his January budget and economic messages—seems to be trying to accomplish two conflicting objectives at the same time. They are both admirable goals. We must conserve energy. And we must get this recession turned around. But to a large degree the goal of energy conservation is in competition with the goal of economy recovery . . . at least the way this Administration in-

sists on going about it. How effectively do you stimulate consumer spending with an income tax cut if at the same time you put a stiff new tax on fuel? That just takes the money out of one of Mr. Simon's pockets and puts it in the other. And this approach to energy conserva-

tion is a large part of the rationale for the Coun-

cil of Economic Advisors' very grim outlook for the next several years.

We've come this far, at least: compared with last fall, when national economic policy was highly repressive, it is now more or less neutral (due to its divided objectives). That change alone should be enough to let the re-

cession grind to a halt sometime in 1975. But Mr. Ford hasn't yet become enough of an economic activist to give us a strong recovery once the recession bottoms out. And that's what he must become if we are to avoid a long period of stagnation.

So once again our construction outlook must contain a critical assumption about na-

tional priorities. This time it is this: that having moved from a rigid position of total emphasis on inflation to one of divided concern about energy and recession, Mr. Ford and friends will soon go all-out for recovery.

The table of construction spending shows how construction markets actually came out in 1974, and how our evaluation of the changing economic environment will shape 1975's out-

come. The key developments to watch for in the year ahead are:

A recovery of the long-depressed housing market. While the improvement from begin-

ning to end of 1975 is likely to be quite strong, the year's total of housing starts is not apt to exceed 1.4 million, mainly because the recovery will be taking off from a very low point.

- Declining industrial and commercial building through most or all of the year. Experience of the last (1970) recession shows, however, that institutional building (educational, health, public administration, etc.) tends to bear up surprisingly well in periods of moderate eco-

nomic adversity.

- Gains in nonbuilding projects, sparked by the release of billions of impounded Federal funds appropriated for sewer and highway construction to provide temporary employment.

The one thing you can't overlook is that cyclical sensitivity is the key to the immediate future of the construction business. Experience shows that the construction cycle normally leads the general business cycle—both on the way down and on the way up again. That's especially true for the design professions whose involvement in the construction process comes at the very earliest stages. So we've taken most of our lumps already. That was in 1974. Now is the time to begin looking for some help through the old accounting prin-

ciple of FIFO: first in, first out. I'm expecting the construction industry to lead the rest of the economy out of this recession—in 1975 with gains in housing and public works contracting, and in 1976, with a recovery in nonresidential building. And I expect both 1976 and 1977 to be years of well-above-average expansion for the construction industry as that recovery gains momentum.

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VERSUS MIES (TIGERMAN):
TWO BUILDINGS,
TWO ARCHITECTS,
TWO POINTS OF VIEW

Architects Stanley Tigerman and Ben Weese of Harry Weese and Associates have each added a high-rise apartment to Chicago’s skyline. Tigerman is noted as a radical and innovative designer. His fans and critics were surprised, therefore, when he elected the Miesian manner for Boardwalk, his first high-rise apartment building (right). No one was more astonished than his friend Ben Weese who lately has designed some apartment house towers which are handsome alternatives to the Mies box, including Lake Village East (left).

There is, of course, no one right way to do a building. The two under discussion were built in the same city, at the same time, at comparable costs per square foot—and yet they are remarkably different. Tigerman and Weese are in friendly disagreement about the best approach to high-rise apartment design. Both responded to our invitation to debate the issues in the RECORD offices, and their comments accompany the pictures on the following pages.

Boardwalk is massive, modular and repetitive
The Tigerman apartment house slab is a 28-story complex of reinforced concrete financed under FHA, 221-d(4). Its construction cost as bid in January 1973 and excluding land costs and fees was $8.4 million or $18,666 per dwelling unit or $15.96 per gross square foot. The project consists of 450 dwelling units made up of 128 studios, 222 one-bedrooms and 100 two-bedrooms. There are 25 typical apartment floors consisting of 18 dwelling units per floor for a typical gross floor area of 14,499 square feet.

The base accommodates a 270-car parking garage, commercial spaces, restaurant, swimming pool with bath house, tennis court and landscaped plaza deck. The total gross area including these facilities is 526,045 square feet.

The structure is reinforced concrete frame with 20-by-20-foot square bays with a peripheral intermediate column for slab stiffening. This column system produces a repetitive series of 8-by-8-ft openings which are glazed with bronze hued float glass in hard anodic coated aluminum sash. The tower is 60 by 240 feet. The building has central heating and air conditioning distributed by vertical fan coil units at the perimeter.

Lake Village East is slender, non-modular and varied
The Weese apartment house tower is a 25-story reinforced concrete structure financed under FHA 236. Its construction cost was $3.1 million or $15,500 per dwelling unit or $16.90 per gross square foot. It consists of 200 dwelling units made up of 50 studios, 75 one-
"How much more of this can Chicago stand?" W. E. Weese of Tigerman & Partners.

"You think you can do a brownstone in the sky," says Tigerman to Weese, "but you can't."

"True, but by trying to give apartment units bay windows and the variety of room shapes which exist in older types of dwelling places such as brownstones, it is possible to create an apartment tower silhouette of great interest and variety," counters Weese. This is fascinating to look at, changing shape as the viewer circles it (right). Windows are angled toward the best orientation and views, but glass area is reduced in favor of continuous vertical slabs of brick.

Weese began by developing the plan form (below) to fit the site and relate well to the two low-rise buildings included as part of his design (right). He non-modular beam and column system came later, after the apartment units had been worked out. The additional cost of an irregular structural system is offset by the minimum perimeter skin. Tigerman, on the other hand, was limited to 20-foot-square bays to accommodate Boardwalk's basement parking garage. Money saved by adhering to this economical module was partially spent to provide the floor-to-ceiling glass for each bay.

Says Weese: "Universal space is what Mies, in the name of efficiency, said people should live in. Well, I disagree. You can't furnish these spaces. Where do you put the chiffoniere—against the window, as I once saw in a Mies apartment? How does a guy live with Biedermeier? We are back to that." Although the Lake Village East model apartments shown above and opposite are poorly furnished examples, Weese's apartment layouts do provide a lot of wall perimeter for chiffonieres, escritoires, bibelots and other nostalgic objects to which people unaccountably cling and which are now once more in fashion.
"For Boardwalk I wanted to get the biggest units and the largest area possible. I wanted a lot of glass and flexible space." Tigerman got his space. His apartment units are significantly larger than Weese's shown above and opposite. Lake Village East's studios range in net area from 434 to 486 square feet, one-bedrooms from 586 to 690 square feet and two-bedrooms from 859 to 947 square feet. These figures can be compared with those given for Boardwalk on page 85. Weese's net to gross ratio on typical floors is 87 per cent efficient as opposed to Tigerman's 89.9 per cent. Tigerman's units cost less to build.
Minimum perimeter floor plans by Weese adapt to a variety of sites

DBE Elderly Project, Florida

53 C Apartments, Chicago, Ill.

Grace Street Elderly Project, Chicago, Ill.

John Knox Home Elderly Housing, Norfolk, Va.

bedrooms and 75 two-bedrooms. The 25 typical apartment floors have eight units per floor for a gross floor area of 6,255 square feet. Parking for approximately 130 cars is on grade. Its program did not call for the commercial and recreational facilities of the Tigerman project.

Lake Village East demonstrates the advantages of "minimum perimeter" floor planning. Through this approach a variety of finely tuned floor plans can be achieved. Weese has set aside rigid structural modules and predetermined plan shapes in favor of plan forms which he believes are more closely adapted to need. Permutations of these plan forms are devised to suit a variety of programs, even low-income housing. Weese has compared "equivalent area" rectangular and square floor plans. Such plan shapes, which he believes are often used arbitrarily, require sizable additional wall surface to enclose the same amount of floor area. In minimum perimeter schemes the savings in wall area can offset the extra costs stemming from the complexities of non-modular slab and reinforcing steel forming.

Weese asserts that the individual apartment units at Lake Village East are more livable than those in Boardwalk, and that the variety of unit types offered is an advantage. A minimum perimeter tower will fit well into an oddly shaped site and give a reduced sense of mass because of its receding wall planes. It may enhance views and make the most of available orientation.

Designing a building form with 38 facets

The tower, limited to 25 stories by community pressure, was planned to attract young, fairly sophisticated households who would become the nucleus of the population. Ben Weese and his team, working within the Section 236 cost limits and the tight constraints imposed by urban renewal, came forward with a complicated parti which departed widely from the standard rectangular form. The structure they proposed was based on developer requirements which included short corridors for efficiency and security, interesting floor plans for rentability, and structural economy. The result was a building form with 38 sides, tending toward the circular form which offers the most economical ratio of perimeter wall to floor area, while at the same time permitting standard rectangular components and rooms. The flexibility of the design allowed maximum planning efficiency, since variations dictated by floor plan considerations could be expressed in the exterior wall without cost penalties. At the same time the plan made the most of the good views toward the lakefront and downtown Chicago, while reducing glass areas to reduce heating and cooling loss.

Examining the options

Tigerman’s building illustrates his belief that Miesian architectural forms and details are not only still applicable to current high-rise apartment requirements, but are endlessly perfectable in the esthetic sense. In proving his point, he has created a building which is at once more economical in cost and generous in its square foot allotments than Weese’s tower. Lake Village East is of more current architectural interest, however, because it embodies genuinely new planning ideas. Its silhouette is attractive (partly because it is unfamiliar looking) and the basic concept is adaptable to many other site conditions. Neither building is really better than the other. Together they represent two of the kinds of viable, valid options we need.—Mildred F. Schmertz

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DISPLAYING AND PRESERVING ARCHITECTURAL ARCHIVES

...those countless drawings and other documents from the past that describe the ways architects have designed and built buildings. Architectural archives are often objects of great beauty, they are of vital interest to historians—ad, with the increasing interest in rehabilitation and adaptive use, they are of great practical value to architects. What are we doing to preserve them and make them available?

We are not doing enough to save our important architectural documents, according to the Committee for the Preservation of Architectural Records, a group of architects and architectural historians who banded together just over a year ago under the sponsorship of The Architectural League of New York to try to do something about a bad situation.

"We’re miles behind countries like Canada and England," says Catha Rambusch, CPAR’s project director. "There is really no national architectural archive in the United States, and not only are many valuable documents being lost almost daily, but it is often hard to find out what libraries, museums and other collections actually have stashed away. Sometimes they don’t know what they have."

The problem is complicated, too, by the difficult question of just what is really worth preserving, as Adolf Placzek, librarian of Columbia University’s Avery Architectural Library, points out: "For a piece of music there is usually only one original score, and for a novel one manuscript. But for a building there are sketches, presentation drawings, working drawings, specifications, plumbers’ bills, change orders and so on. It is not easy to decide what to keep." And among today’s practicing architects concern for keeping anything for the historical record tends to be low, so that there is no standard procedure for preserving the drawings even of a generally acknowl-

The Heinz Gallery at the Drawings Collection of the Royal Institute of British Architects (described on the following page).
An example from abroad

In Great Britain, by contrast, the Royal Institute of British Architects has a vast store of drawings which have been collected since 1834 and which date from about 1520 to the present. The RIBA's collection amounts to well over 200,000 drawings, amply housed in an eighteenth-century row house designed by James Adam, which has a modern gallery (shown on the right) for continuing public exhibitions. RIBA is also in the process of publishing a more than 20-volume catalog of its drawings, so that information about them will be available in architectural libraries virtually everywhere in the world.

The RIBA's drawings collection, and its very large collection of books and its other information services make it a central and important clearing house for almost every kind of architectural information—and even so its library, known as The British Architectural Library, is actively expanding (see box on the following page).

In these terms the American Institute of Architects is considerably less lucky, with a much smaller collection of books and drawings that, at least according to some critics, is incapable of functioning as an information center on a national level. America's nearest parallel to The British Architectural Library is probably the Avery Library at Columbia University in New York, which has not only a large collection of books, but a number of ancillary bibliographical services and between ten and twenty thousand architectural drawings.

In addition, the Historic American Buildings Survey, though it is not itself concerned with old drawings for the sake of their intrinsic artistic merit, has a vast collection of measured drawings and other information on old American buildings. Though it has traditionally received meager funding since its founding 42 years ago, the Historic American Buildings Survey is still a major source of information about the architecture of the past in this country.

But still the vast majority of archival materials are scattered about the country, more or less well preserved, more or less well documented in various libraries and museums and historical societies, in the buildings which the drawings depict, or—quite literally—in people's basements or attics.

Goals of the Committee for the Preservation of Architectural Records

There are in general two different challenges today in the field of architectural archives in the United States: One is that of raising money and enthusiasm, as well as developing techniques, for the preservation of architectural drawings and documents, so that they will not be destroyed either by accident or on purpose, and so that they will not slowly deteriorate in storage. The other quite different challenge is to develop some sensible way for interested people to find out what exists and where. In the process of all this, other important decisions have to be made—like, for instance,
what kinds of architectural drawings are valuable as objects of art themselves (and are therefore worth preserving as originals) and what kinds are valuable only for the information they convey (and can therefore be stored more efficiently on microfilm or microfiche).

The Committee for the Preservation of Architectural Records is a loosely knit group of people whose interest is focused on the question of architectural archives on a national level. The central ingredient is concern for the problem, and it is matched by a sufficient flexibility to respond to several different constituencies—architects interested in preserving their own records or those of others, art and architectural historians who want to know about the location and availability of certain documents, librarians and other people interested in establishing and maintaining architectural archives in their communities.

So far the Committee has concentrated mainly on the task of providing information. A directory of existing architectural resources in New York City has been established as a pilot project which it is hoped will be emulated elsewhere in the country. In cooperation with Columbia University the Committee is also developing as a pilot project inventories of three existing New York City architectural firms, and, as is described below, they publish their own newsletter for the benefit of interested architects, scholars and students.

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| HABS, which is part of the National Parks Service, has       |
| assembled a collection of measured drawings, photographs and |
| other information about more than 16,000 American buildings. |
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| it can be consulted. Copies of HABS material can also be     |
| ordered from the Prints and Photographs Division, Library of |
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| confusing. Its original catalog was published in 1941,       |
| followed by supplements in 1959 and 1963. Since the          |
| supplements are not cumulative it may be necessary to look   |
| in all three listings to find a particular building. Since    |
| 1963, however, HABS has begun a new series of cumulative and  |
| comprehensive catalogs organized by states or by region.     |
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| can be obtained from the Historic American Buildings Survey, |
| Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation, National     |
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| **Newsletter of the Committee for the Preservation of         |
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| The main collection is in the Royal Institute of British     |
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THE "BARE BRICK SCHOOL"

In their enthusiasm for old buildings, architects have become major consumers of renovated spaces for their own offices. They not only have discovered the economic advantages of remodeling an older building, but together they have also developed a surprisingly consistent rehab style, consisting of exposed wood surfaces, rough and ready details, bright colors (preferably Marimekko) and—above all—the obligatory bare brick wall. What has emerged is one thing the profession desperately needs—a vernacular style that is handsome, economical, easily understood and easily copied by just about anybody just about anywhere. Some examples...
Baker Rothschild Horn Blyth—brick and bright color in Philadelphia

This young firm took on as its first project the remodeling of an 840-square-foot space for its own office. The space is on the third floor of a nineteenth-century commercial loft building, and originally it had two levels. The architects put new joists into the existing joist pockets to create the feeling of separation between the reception area (photo top right) and the rest of the office (photo above). Below the new joists are individual work stations for each of the firm’s four partners, and above—in due course—there will be a mezzanine for expansion. The conference area (photo above right) is the only part of the office where the full 19-foot height of the loft space is unobstructed; it stands at the opposite end of the office from the raft of colored banners that are the office’s other memorable feature.

HOK in San Francisco—a big firm goes Bare Brick

HOK’S San Francisco office is in a part of the city between downtown and Telegraph Hill where renovation and adaptive use are the rage—an area characterized by large brick warehouse buildings ready to be turned to more glamorous commercial use. In this case the intention was to create a simple kind of space where there could be a heterogeneous mix of employees without the usual distinctions between front and back room. So the major part of the space is given over to one open office area (photo above) where members of the staff have their own work stations defined by low partitions. This large space is on the outside of the building, with exposure to natural light. On the inside wall there are three offices that offer more privacy (photo below) and a conference room.

The building this architectural office calls home began life in 1901 as a livery stable and a blacksmith's shop. In more recent times its ground floor had been turned into a parking garage and its second floor, where the office now is, contained a printer's shop and press. What was originally the blacksmith's shop is now the entrance stairwell (photo far right) leading up to the office proper (photo below). This is a high skylit space in which an elegant white structure has been inserted, in strong contrast to the rough brick walls and the bare roof joists above. The main level of the office is occupied by a reception area and a conference room (photo immediately right), while the upper level is one large, open drafting loft, brightly lit by the skylights immediately overhead.

John Hilberry and Associates—negative value becomes positive worth

John Hilberry and Associates is a six-man architectural firm with a particular commitment to an area of Detroit known as Harmonie Park. As architects they have worked with local businessmen to organize a special tax assessment district and with city agencies to expedite public improvements—all to preserve and enhance the special sense of place of this area. By moving their own offices there they sought to demonstrate to others that the area was viable, and that buildings there were worth reusing. The building they chose for themselves was a three-story loft structure that was so little prized that its lot was considered more valuable with the building gone. The architects renovated the top floor for their own use and rented the other two.

ENGINEERS: Gerry Shreve (mechanical).

Robert Welton Stewart—Southern comfort in a carriage house

The Kent-Valentine house in the heart of Richmond, with its oasis of magnolia trees and its grassy lawn, is a valuable asset to the city, and it has been acquired for preservation and adaptive reuse by the Garden Club of Virginia. Robert Stewart, an architect who encouraged the acquisition, found himself actively involved when the chance came to remodel the Kent-Valentine house's carriage house for his professional office. The small courtyard of the carriage house opens into a reception area and drafting room (top photos), from which a stairway leads to a second drafting room on the floor above (photo immediately above). Alterations to the existing building were minimal, and the genius of the design lies in Stewart's demonstrated ability to seize the moment and to recognize a pleasant and reusable building that had escaped others' notice.

Viewed toward the students’ entrance in the photo above, this building does not appear large by single-building-college standards. But it is really an upside-down pyramid; the “apex” is in a void between the massive building elements where the floors are steps down both sloping sides of a sunken stream—or in suburban Dallas, an arroyo. Turning a seeming defect of the natural site into an asset, architects Harrell + Hamilton/Chan + Rader have produced a big, rich, interior environment in a building that does not overpower its surroundings.

And it is this stimulating environment that generates the involvement necessary for such junior colleges to produce better-rounded graduates. By an unorthodox arrangement of facilities and a strong visual connection between them, there is a pleasant exposure to the constant options of varied activities; students are encouraged toward a much broader range of programs than those required to just get through.—Charles Hoyt
In Dallas, a rapidly growing population is creating an ever increasing demand for school facilities, contrary to that of the nation as a whole. Currently, seven junior colleges are planned on scattered sites for easy neighborhood access. Each will meet the need for both technical-occupational and liberal-arts educations. One of the initial buildings is Mountain View, which is located in the southwest section of the city on a gently rolling, largely undeveloped site of 200 acres. Much of the surrounding area is similar in character, although a development of closely spaced houses to the east presages the possible future environment. Incidentally, there are no real mountains in Mountain View's view.

Rather than dominating such a site with a building exhibiting its true size of over 360,000 square feet, the architects chose to take advantage of the terrain's potentially unusable natural feature, an arroyo. By placement in this sunken area, the bulk of the building is minimized. Indeed, it is completely hidden from the students' entrance at the south of the site by low hills which have been planted with local trees to augment the natural vegetation.

While an important concept in planning was to expose the students to the widest range of activities during daily travels through the college, the activities were separated into two building units (connected by bridges) to facilitate community use. The gym, auditorium, administrative offices and the public entrance are located in the eastern element. Students enter the western part of the building by crossing a large plaza (photo on page 101), which forms a semi-enclosed transition from the open spaces of the site. The two elements are centered on the arroyo, (photo right) extending several levels below the entrances and terraced as an open-air extension of the interior student center.

Mountain View can presently accommodate 2,500 to 3,000 students, and projected expansion is planned to double that number (see site plan). Accordingly, the central facilities in the eastern building element, along with the student center and the laboratories have been sized to meet the eventual demand. Parking and athletic fields are also projected to occupy the greater portion of the site. Therefore, the placement of the building in the arroyo has a twofold purpose. Beside allowing the recessing of the bulk of the building and providing for expansion, it frees the remainder of the site for a green buffer at the perimeters.
A view of part of the building from the south (photo left) shows the transition from the single-story students' entrance, on the west facade, to the multi-level space within the arroyo shown in the photos below (the other half of the building is shown overleaf). The connecting bridges span a stream, which is kept at a constant level by artificial lakes. Terraces are an extension of the student center, and are a focal point of activity above the natural stream bed. A jazz concert is shown in progress. The dark colored glass is typically shielded from the sun by projecting horizontal mullions as shown in the photo below.
Many school boards in Texas have recognized the need for new solutions to education problems, and are willing to try new approaches. Junior colleges, in particular, face unique challenges. The students at Mountain View College have a particular problem: they need an education in a particular field, without much exposure to the liberal arts, or they want a general education without the commitment of a four-year program. To counter this, Mountain View College functions as a menagerie of options. There is maximum exposure to every sort of activity as the students move through the building, and those activities are located in surprising places. For instance, highly visible machine shops are adjacent to the science center, the “heart” of daily activities. From the student entrance pleasantest route to the science and art departments on the floor below is across a bistro through the physical education, drama, music departments, and back across a library at the lower level. All of the time, the student is seeing different activities. A bright atmosphere, as seen in the science center, engenders involvement by making the college a pleasant place to be.

In recognition of Mountain View’s limited space, and the variation in educational needs, the building is divided into two elements. There are large solid walls around the perimeter of the complex which are faced with painted stucco to match the exposed limestone site. Five separate air handling units are applied with the appropriate chilled or hot water from a central mechanical room. Hot water was chosen over steam because of the ease of returning condensate through the change of elevation between the two buildings. The poured-in-place concrete structure rests on spread footings or cast-in-place footings depending on the varied soil conditions. The general structure of the building is divided into 25-foot bays: the steel-truss roof of the gym roof and post-tensioned bridges. Costs were $32 per square foot.

MOUNTAIN VIEW COLLEGE, Dallas, Texas
The plan shows the public entrance (photo left) halfway between the student-entry level and a floor of teaching spaces below that level. A third part-floor is occupied by faculty offices which open on the balcony above the student center's lounge (photos below). This lounge is the hub of activity where students meet, and it is furnished for both relaxing and study. The student center consists of several spaces for varied activities and includes the dining room (photo opposite page, bottom), which is on the level below the adjacent lounge. This relationship brings the center's activities to both the main floors.
The extra wide corridors are designed for students' leisurely viewing of the activities in the adjacent teaching spaces. The polished concrete floor, tile murals, banners and skylights contribute to a cheerful atmosphere. The greater ceiling heights in the classrooms are detailed with dropped soffits around each wall, which carry through the corridor ceiling height and conceal mechanical equipment and wall lighting. Other uses for the wide corridors include exhibits such as an airplane, which signals the presence of the machine shops. The skylights also permit indoor planting, which is a lush contrast to the arid environment.
STORES AND SHOPS

For storekeepers, the name of the game is merchandising; for architects, it is design. Put these two together and the result can be merchandising in a place designed to enhance the use of the most sophisticated selling devices of the retail world. In a boom economy, anyone can sell in any kind of environment. In an economic slowdown, it takes something more than goods for sale to induce customers to enter, and to persuade them to buy. In the four stores shown here, innovation and creative design have provided the right combinations at the right time.

Bergdorf Goodman store, White Plains, New York
Skylighted open space in branch specialty store continues a tradition of elegance within an innovative design

For the first time in its long history, Bergdorf Goodman—an elegant specialty store on New York’s Fifth Avenue—has a store building designed to its own needs and desires. The new building is in the retail section of White Plains, New York, a fast-growing center (not a mall) for shopping which serves all of Westchester County, reported to be the “largest retail area in New York State.”

Since this was the client’s first experience with a project of this kind (the first store had been remodelled and added onto but was never a custom building for the client), the standards for the new store’s program grew out of the reputation for elegance and service that had characterized the first store. Some of the physical amenities of the New York location also became requirements for the suburban site. In New York, for instance, Bergdorf Goodman is “on the Plaza” by the Plaza Hotel, and across 59th Street from Central Park. At White Plains, Bergdorf Goodman opens from a plaza which, like the Plaza in New York, has a distinctive fountain and is across the street from the park.

Inside the elegant travertine-faced building, everything focuses on a great open space covered by a 200-foot-long mirror-glass skylight which floods the store with light by day and at night presents a kaleidoscopic picture of colorful merchandise and movements of people below. This open space functions much as a street would—Fifth Avenue, for instance—providing circulation among and access to the boutiques which line its perimeter. The visual excitement produced by the great court overshadows the basic architectural function served by the covering skylight: to unify the diverse elements of the store, and in providing the means for understanding the whole store at a glance, to act as a constant orientation for the shopper. It is traditional elegance achieved without using traditional forms.

Escalators cascade through the open court on an angled line from topmost level to the lowest floor. Around the court or "street" are boutiques, shaped to the particular kind of merchandise offered and open to the "street." The boutiques are small, defined and intimate, but the over-all effect is an easy elegance, a degree of informality but never casualness. Fine materials play an important part in the quality of the store: marble and bronze are the principal materials used—marble for floors of general use (selling areas are carpeted) and to enclose escalator wells, bronze to cap and trim horizontal planes.
Two materials—marble and bronze—are used as a common denominator throughout the store, but color identifies specific departments and kinds of merchandise: warm neutrals make a quietly elegant background for accessories on the first floor; deep, rich colors on the second floor suggest high fashion; strong bright colors against a neutral gray background on the third floor are the mark of young shoppers. The men's department on the first floor (top left) is done in brown tones; the third floor restaurant (top) is dramatic with mirrors, many small lights and lots of red; the colorful wares of Marimekko on the third floor (center) are in wood cases; the third floor street is display area and lounge.
Miller's West Town, a department store in a shopping center in Knoxville, Tennessee, the architects, OMNIPLAN Architects Harrell + Milton, used a comprehensive fixture system that coordinates dimensionally the shell of the store building—new or existing—with the interiors to provide a consistent but highly flexible relationship among all facets of the store. All components of the system are modular, so that they are interchangeable.

Three new stores for Miller's, now in development by the same architects, will use the system even more fully than the West Town has done. In this first of their new stores, Miller's was hesitant about giving up some conventional store practices—partitions are standard metal studs and gypsum board, electrical outlets are in floors, floor coverings change from department to department—but since the store has been in operation, it has had that flexibility that it wanted was initially restricted by the inflexibility which resulted from these decisions.

One of the first tests of the store's flexibility came in the last days before its opening. Because changes in merchandise and in customer demand occur with great rapidity, much of the planned layout for fixtureing had become obsolete between completion of design and arrival of fixtures. With a minimum of time and labor, the sales staff reorganized the area, readjusted the configuration of the fixture components, and opened the store with the latest approach.

Frank S. Kelly, senior vice president of OMNIPLAN Architects Harrell + Hamilton, was project architect of Miller's West Town, and is this vivid account of his firm's answer to Miller's request for a store that would be "a saleable sales tool, responsive to new directions in merchandising and in merchandise:"

"Because department stores are usually divided and designed in two parts—building shell and interiors—the potential of the store as a sales tool, and its aesthetic qualities, are only a factor of how well the two parts work together. Often, they fail to support each other because, over the life of the building, they can even be in actual conflict.

"What we have tried to do in our OMNIPLAN system is to overcome this failure and produce a consistent but highly flexible relationship among all facets of the store. All components of the system are modular, so that there is an important degree of flexibility. Essentially, the system coordinates the building shell and the interior of the store, and is applicable to both new and remodeled space."
process, not only consistency throughout the store but the kind of flexibility that stores—especially today when things change radically in short periods of time—require to stay abreast of new developments.

"Three aspects of the system account for the high degree of flexibility:

1. The dimensions of every display component are based on a multiple of the modular grid. Each component fits into any location of the store, and is interchangeable with every other component.

2. Components are connected to supporting standards with the same detail, so that any component can be hung from any standard in the store.

3. The same white plastic laminate finish is used on every component. Large components can take interchangeable decorative panels, but most surfaces of each component are clad in white so that they can be used in any sales area without consideration of color scheme or decor.

"The OMNIPLAN Ceiling System is designed as the interface for the building shell and the interior. It is a grid of structural steel channels hung from the building's frame—at Miller's this is a composite of fireproofed steel beams and concrete slabs. From the grid are hung aluminum baffles, painted white, which give the overhead plane a rich texture and openness that make it seem higher than it is.

"The Ceiling System is an integral part of the Fixturing System which also is based on the 2-foot 6-inch grid. This is both a system of related components from which fixtures and partitions of many configurations can be assembled, and also a collection of completed fixtures. Fixtures are made by hanging display components (partition panels, shelves, drawer units, show cases, cash desks) on hang rods or supporting members called standards. There are six kinds of standards, all fabricated from steel tubing and designed to provide for every fixturing need, from formation of complete display islands to individual show cases. In all, almost 100 components were developed. All are described in a catalog from which Miller's may select whatever it needs to assemble fixtures for new merchandise arrangements.

"None of our OMNIPLAN components disappear behind the merchandise but instead are clear forms which provide a framework or background against which, or within which, the merchandise can be seen better. Neither merchandise nor fixtures dominate; they work

Dimensional organization
The elements of the building shell (columns, walls) and the interior (fixtures, partitions, decor, display) are dimensionally coordinated to make a flexible, consistent relationship among facets of the store. Such elements, mechanical, electrical and communication systems, however, are not part of this interrelationship and can be designed independently. Dimensional display components are based on a multiple of the modular grid and are interchangeable.

Structure
The ceiling system is suspended from rigid steel rods from the building structure. The type of structure is of no importance, provided that it is suited to supporting the concentrated loads which result from the system's use. Fireproofing, if required, must be developed by the structure itself, not by the ceiling of the building. The ceiling system is the interface between the shell of the building and the fixtures and displays.

Ceilings
The ceiling system has two main parts: a structural framework of steel channels laid out on the modular grid hung from the building's frame, with the channel facing down to receive connections for fixtures and displays; and a system of painted aluminum baffles, hung from the grid which screen the mechanical equipment from the sales space below.

Sprinklers
Sprinkler heads and piping are concealed above the baffles. The baffles do not interfere with the water distribution pattern, and are easily accessible since the ceiling grid is open below.
together to create effective sales displays.

"Miller's interiors were originally budgeted for standard fixturing, but using the OMNIPLAN system, they were completed for less than the anticipated cost.

"From our experience at Miller's we have found no direct relation between the cost of store interiors and the use of our OMNIPLAN system. By modifying only the details and the materials, while retaining all the basic functional concepts, the cost can be geared to either high or low budgets.

"Department stores function, in effect, like theaters: they present hundreds of small vignettes which tell the shopper what is for sale and elicit his or her interest. Many merchants have recognized this resemblance, but they have not gone beyond the creation of the show to prepare the basic tool of the theater, the stage. The building and fixtures at Miller's West Town are a stage. The decor and merchandise are the sets and performers. The 'stage' is designed to provide the environment and equipment for any merchandising performance, from a fur coat to a pressure cooker. The capabilities of a theater were developed at Miller's West Town through OMNIPLAN's comprehensive fixturing concept.

"From a designer's point of view, the system has worked well, in terms of maintaining the intended character of the store. With the frequent changes that department stores normally must make, it is quite discouraging to a designer to visit one of his projects after it has been open for a while, because of the remodelling that has been done—often quite amatorishly. The use of the system components provides a visual framework which gives order to almost any change, even when done less than professionally. Miller's looks almost as good today as when it opened, and we have not been involved in any of the changes. This may not be ideal from a purely design point of view but it is very unrealistic to think that any store will return to its original designer every time it needs to move a wall."

In the new stores, new in design, there will be no fixed interior partitions, and one floor covering will be used throughout the store. The OMNIPLAN System will be used to its designed capability.

MILLER'S WEST TOWN DEPARTMENT STORE,

Mechanical Systems
All ducts and registers are located above the baffles and are thus concealed from sight. Air is distributed horizontally above the ceiling. The return is non-ducted. The space above the ceiling grid acts as a plenum, and everything in it is painted black to minimize the possibility of its being seen: ducts, piping, electrical and telephone wiring, speakers and security devices.

Power and communications
Since all electrical wiring carries live voltage, and since the ceiling is open, all wiring is run exposed, without conduit. Wiring from telephones, sound systems, and point-of-sale data processing equipment runs in the plenum above the ceiling grid and the main white baffles. Power drops from the electrical system above the grid along ceiling-to-floor fixturing standards, act as extension cords from busways, and can be located anywhere on the grid.

Electrical distribution
Electrical busways, run above the ceiling grid, provide power for both lighting and floor fixturing. Lighting, attached directly to the ceiling grid members, are so located that each point on the sales floor can be illuminated. There is no general illumination in the store. The incandescent system is efficient for the purposes of the item and uses only 3.7 watts per square foot of sales area. Wiring is drop through a steel tube from the electrical busway to fixturing on the sales floor.

Spatial definition
Sales spaces and displays can be fished in several ways. Forms of varisizes, configurations and materials can be suspended from the ceiling grid, partition panels, supported by floor ceiling standards which bear on floor and are bolted to the ceiling grid; can be used. Partitions may be fabricated of any light material—veneers, fabrics, vinyl, acrylics (transparent and translucent)—up to 1 inches in thickness, and can be high at any height.

Fixtures
All display components, includshowcases and other types of fixtures are of modular design so that they work with the system's other parts. They are supported on the floor-ceiling standards. Floor fixtures of size and configuration can be assembled from the components and standards. Power drops from the busways supply wiring to floor fixtures so that they can be internally illuminated. Display components are neutral color, but end panels can be cooated with specific decors.
At Miller's West Town, OMNiplan's system has had a successful initial use, and has put to almost constant use the flexibility inherent in the system. Departmental changes—expansion or contraction—have been effected with a minimum of labor and no skilled craftsmen, and with little interruption to sales. The system allows a surprising variety in visual effect, both in decor and in merchandise display, thanks to the components of the system which make possible both hanging and floor display fixtures.
Rotunda and dome give elegant distinction and spatial excitement to specialty store in large shopping center

The store that wants to locate in an existing shopping center faces the problem of fitting its building into an established architectural concept with which it may not agree—for purely architectural reasons or because the design is alien to the store's identity—but with which it must conform. In such cases, the store and its architects rely on interiors of exceptional concept to create an attraction strong enough to overcome what is, at least initially, the handicap of the non-identifying exterior.

At the Frontenac Fashion Center in St. Louis, a highly desirable retail location for a store of the calibre of Neiman-Marcus, the prevailing (and mandatory) design character was wholly out of character with the Neiman-Marcus image. The exterior of this new store conforms to the vocabulary of the center, but inside, with no impediments to design and expression, what the name Neiman-Marcus stands for is dramatically manifest. The elegant high fashion merchandise for which it is known is displayed with sophistication that enhances both the goods to be sold and the customer who comes either to buy or to look.

At the center of this essentially square building is a breathtakingly handsome "shaft of space," topped with a circular dome of mirror glass which daylights the area and much of the second floor. At night the mirror surface reflects the activity below, so that it is at all times a spectacular part of the store's effective environment. Since this shaft is also the space through which the escalator runs, it becomes a certain and unavoidable orientation for circulation between floors. Around the central "super space" are departments and boutiques with a variety of fixtures for display, with individual manners of setting off their merchandise from neighboring displays.

Although the central court or shaft appears to be an opulent use of space, it is cannily put to work as the location of the escalator circulation for the store, so that it is, in effect, considerably less a luxury than a handsomely executed necessity. Indeed, handsomeness is a key word throughout, expressed in the quality of the materials used, in the colors which differentiate departments and floors, and in a very special way, in the art works which owner Stanley Marcus has placed, as he has in his other stores, throughout this store. The works range in type from sculpture to needlework, from painting to macrame, and their subjects are equally varied. Displayed as part of the store's decor, and never as an exhibition, these
Besides the value of the mirror-glass dome as a focal point and an exceptional attraction for the store, the dome and the light it admits by day to the center of the building provide immediate orientation from any point on either floor. Not only is this two-story shaft of space both dramatic and luxurious, but the continually changing light, from morning to night, is itself an effective aspect of the store’s decor. What it reflects from below at night again changes the effect of the interior. The store is large in area but only two stories high above ground, so one escalator only is used to connect the two principal floors.
works add greatly to the quality of the store's environment.

The materials used throughout are not only embellishment of the store's interior, but are used with a subtle degree of functionalism: precast travertine terrazzo is used to state graphically the traffic pattern on each floor, whereas carpeting is used in each departmental sales area. The travertine terrazzo, made in two shades of beige, in Italy, in pieces large enough to emphasize the scale of the spaces in the store, provides an instantly recognizable identification for each boutique or shop, and the carpeting, in special colors developed for this store, invites the customer into the sales area. In certain departments—the second floor fashion department, for instance—custom designs are made for both carpeting and for the printed fabrics used on the walls. Elsewhere, stock designs in special colors, clear and fresh, are used. Acrylic sheet materials are used on the walls of the children's department. Where wood is used, it is left natural.

The design team that worked out the concept for this store represents the coordination of two design offices: the architectural firm and the interior design firm which is its subsidiary, an unusual conjunction but one which worked well together to produce a harmonious integration of space, color and materials. Long-continued studies of the merchandising field have led to participation by the interior designers in the decisions made by the store management on the location and juxtaposition of departments as well as on the design of the interiors. Since Neiman-Marcus stores have a policy of not identifying by signs either departments or merchandise, the interrelation of design and merchandise display is of particular importance in the successful operation of the store.
elegance where elegance is prized for characterizes the shops and departments in Neiman-Marcus' St. store. At left is the men's department on the main floor; near right is the jewelry department, also on the main floor, where sculptor Ernest baja's stainless steel "Cox" is on display. At far right is the girls' department, adaptable to the addition of color by display designers, while retaining its basic clarity of plan and design. The Zodiac restaurant (below) on second floor is basically a simple space made dramatically exciting by neon tubing and plexiglass as an attention to its remote corner location.
Bullock's is a chain of department stores in Southern California, most of whose newer buildings are located in shopping centers. This store in South Coast Plaza, a regional shopping center in Orange County, is in the city of Costa Mesa. It is the anchor store for the center and follows, in its exterior form, the precedent set by one of Bullock's earlier stores. Its walls are of ribbed weathering steel, with light-colored brick for trim and as a frame for entrances and a facing for some walls. Projecting elements break the length of the building and give it a distinctive form, something the client wanted as an identifying mark in the center.

The interior makes the most of the building's height by providing a three-story open space at the center. On each side of this great space are the escalators, with a dramatic view of the space and the several landings. The ceiling over this space is jet black and is studded with hundreds of clear-glass filament lamps set in crystal globes, and suspended at different distances from the ceiling.

General lighting in the store is minimum, provided by incandescent fixtures set in dark ceilings. Accent lighting from spotlights on a comprehensive system of tracks is used for specific merchandise and to focus on certain areas of the store.

Materials and colors for the interior were selected for their appropriateness to the casual living of the Orange County area: brick and rough sawn wood, earth colors, textured fabrics, and living—not plastic—plants. In the court, for instance, the escalator runs are faced with rough wood, as is the bow on the third floor which projects over the court; the two sides of the court are faced with heavy-textured brick set both flat and at angles. The floors at each landing are paved with octagonal and square tiles, and planters are effectively placed near the escalators. Carpet is used in the selling areas in colors appropriate to the merchandise: brick red, gold, green, blue, brown, red. Walls are treated in several ways—by painting, by use of graphics, and in the Fashion Gallery, silk damask as a wall covering. The architects designed all the interiors as well as all the graphics for the store.

The escalators, which serve the second and third floors, run through a dramatic three-story-high open "court" topped by a black ceiling studded with hundreds of clear-filament clear glass lamps suspended at different distances from the ceiling. The rough-cut wood paneling on the end walls and on the sides of the escalators, and the heavy-textured bricks, set both flat and at angles on the side walls of the "court," contribute to the informal environment sought by the clients for their store in this location. At each landing the floor is set with highly polished octagonal and square tiles in a sandy beige color.
An expressive skin-and-bones facade done with utmost care

While it is not altogether true that good design costs no more than bad design, neither need it cost that much more. I. M. Pei & Partners' refined and sprightly design for 88 Pine Street cost about $3 a square foot more than similar investment office buildings, and returns excellent design value for the money. Its crisply detailed curtain wall, its glittering stainless-steel lobby, above all, perhaps, its brilliant whiteness, raise it well above the esthetic standard of most of Manhattan's spec offices.
Downtown Manhattan, where dark, massive towers crowd narrow streets and even narrower sidewalks, challenges the architect who aspires to design a building of distinction. The economic reality of the highly competitive office rental business places further constraints on the design of speculative offices.

At 88 Pine Street, owner Morley Cho was willing to pay a premium for quality—within limits, of course. But even when the owner is willing, there are fairly few ways to spend extra money. The floor plan for commercial rental space is standard, based on open loft space that will be divided up and finished by tenants identified at the planning stage. Pei’s design varies this standard plan somewhat by locating the elevator core center. This arrangement anticipates the needs of Wall Street tenants—brokerage houses and the like—who operations require large, unpartitioned areas. The asymmetrical Pine Street plan allows small private offices at one end of the floor and three bays of bull-pen space at the other. (Above the 18th floor, where one elevator bank terminates, this space expands to four bays.)

Essentially, however, the structure of the building and the services provided to the tenants—hvac, elevators and so on—are conventional, meeting the high standards that have become normal in the New York office market. The building’s personality had to be found in the end, declared in public spaces, such as the plaza and the lobby, and in its visible exterior.

Plazas, though nowadays also standard equipment for New York office buildings, are particularly welcome in the downtown area, where they provide needed open space for pedestrians as well as sight lines for otherwise obscured buildings. And the handsome lobby, with its curved surfaces of polished stainless steel and its Chinese-red elevator cabs, gives what the architects call a “touch of theater” to the unostentatious building.

Ultimately, however, it is that whiter-than-white curtain wall, with its refinement of proportion and detail, that sets the building apart from less inspired examples of its type.

A major consideration in the design of the curtain wall was that the building should appear clean, light and transparent as a foil to its neighbors, some of which are pretty undistinguished. A short-lived attempt to devise
To accentuate the clarity of the building's lines, the curtain wall is virtually monochromatic—white-painted aluminum, clear glass, unobtrusive gray aluminum window frames. The thermoset silicone-reinforced acrylic coating is in fact blue-white, a color selected because it is more luminous in appearance than pure white or cream. Except for expansion joints, the only exposed joints on the face of the building are window-washer tracks at the inner corner of column flanges, in compliance with the architect's instructions that "all joints, except where noted, shall be invisible." Because lights are supported on only two sides, wind-load requires glass thicker than normal—3/8 in. on the lower floors, 7/8 in. above the 23rd floor. Vinyl tube at butt joint provides non-bonding back-up for silicone sealant.
steel wall that would work structurally was scrapped in favor of aluminum cladding that would trace with some accuracy the shape of the rigid-frame structure. (The stiffeners on either side of the columns do not reflect the structure behind, but were added to support the 26-ft spandrels as they were slung into place. They also add greatly to the sought-after play of light and shadow on the face of the building.)

The aluminum cladding is “painted” with baked-on silicone-reinforced acrylic enamel, the first such application of this material on a metal wall of this size. White was chosen partly to contrast with the building’s somber neighbors and partly to evoke images of ships and shipping: the site is near the East River and the South Street Seaport Museum, and the owner has considerable maritime interests. (Mr. Cho was the last owner of the liner Queen Elizabeth, whose salvaged bronze initials compose one of the plaza’s sculptures.)

The voids formed by the curtain-wall members are filled with glass—three lights, butt-jointed with silicone sealant, to each bay. From the outside, this 26-ft expanse of glass imparts the transparency that was one of the guiding design principles; at the same time, the absence of mullions preserves a simplicity of appearance and suggests the flexibility of the interior space. From the inside, the windows offer sweeping views of East River traffic and the Manhattan skyline.

The visual simplicity of the curtain wall contradicts the amount of work that went into its design. The ability of Pei’s firm to produce a building with such superlatively executed detail must be attributed, one feels, to a high degree of competence at all levels within the firm, as well as to a corporate capacity for taking pains. The early involvement of cost consultants allowed the architects to consider alternatives before making final design commitments. Subsequent studies of materials, shapes and connections engaged the attention of aluminum fabricators, coating suppliers and glaziers, as well as engineers, and produced details of great exactness.

Because the heavy glass tends to bow under its own weight, partitions for outside offices are provided with spring-loaded neoprene gaskets for a continuous fit at the window. Still another example of the meticulous attention to detail underlying the building’s air of well-groomed assurance is the handling of the painted aluminum cornice; the six panels required for the infill are made to appear as three, repeating the proportions of the butt-jointed windows, with alternate hairline and revealed joints.
"38 Pine Street" offers more of special interest to architects and builders than distinctive beauty alone. This striking new addition to Manhattan's skyline is the first building constructed of aluminum curtain wall in a column-and-beam style. And to accentuate its face dramatically, it is also the first high-rise finished exclusively in a white organic coating. The result is a pleasing study in light and shadows—a clean, carefree appearance that will endure for years to come.

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Write Weyerhaeuser Company, Box B-2478, Tacoma, WA 98401.

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Anodized black gasket system announced

GS 580 possesses a number of features including a neo-thermal barrier between air and interior metal to reduce thermal conductivity. Here on the Block Building designed by Donald L. Associates, the L-shaped framing assures that each light is supported by an integral aluminum ledge to prevent stacking. The system is joined at mitered corners with stainless steel clips so that the elasticity of the neoprene is not impaired.

Amarlite/Anaconda, Atlanta, Ga.

Portable basketball backboard

An aluminum backboard guaranteed for life rolls by tipping onto two rubber tire wheels. The 370-lb unit is official size and glare-free with adjustable height from 8 to 10 ft.

Sportsplay Products, St. Louis, Mo.

Outdoor luminaire for sodium and H.I.D. lamps

The company introduces the Tubaloid architectural lighting fixture for use with low-pressure sodium or mercury vapor lamps. Available in anodized or painted aluminum, for mounting on poles, walls, canopies or the ground as a ballard (see drawings), the unit has a polycarbonate clear or diffuse white lens that resists breakage, and installation is said to be fast and simple. For relamping and maintenance, only the captive end cap need be opened. Pole options include aluminum with satin ground finish or steel poles, prime painted. A single upsweep davit pole and custom poles are also available. Luminaire mounting height ranges from 10 to 20 feet above the ground, in 2-ft increments. The company claims the unit can be totally maintained without disassembling or electrically disconnecting it. Acrylic lenses are also available.

Voight Lighting Industries, Inc., Leonia, N.J.
"A money-saving, space-saving DWV system."
That's what Tyler RufWall™ delivered to the One U.N. Plaza Hotel.

United Nations Development Corporation, Owner

David Norkin, President of Norkin Plumbing Company, tells why RufWall was chosen for the 10-story, 350-unit hotel portion of Manhattan's newest combination office/hotel building.

"Rigid space requirements, narrow channels in the slab floors, and lack of storage space called for a compact DWV system. Tyler RufWall was the ideal solution."

"In addition to furnishing basic fittings for floor-mounted back-outlet water closets, the RufWall units will pick up tubs which rough-in above the floor and still fit 2-inch pipe into 3-inch channel slots in the slab. And because the RufWall system uses less material than traditional XH class cast iron installation, costs were reduced. All in all, RufWall gave us just what we were looking for, a money-saving, space-saving DWV system."

But there's another side to this case history...

The 350 RufWall units for the 10-floor hotel portion of the building weighed only 66,336 pounds including 5,750 No-Hub couplings. Tyler delivered the system from Texas on two Tyler trucks; both arrived at the job site in downtown Manhattan on time.

The XH soil pipe and fittings and the thread pipe in the lower 30 floors of One U.N. Plaza exceeded 300,000 pounds, and required seven tons of lead and 1.7 miles of oak.

Complete on time delivery is not unusual for Tyler, the nation's only full-line producer of SV and No-Hub cast iron soil pipe and fittings with Weil SV and No-Hub specification products to make.

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Here's what the One U.N. Plaza construction team has to say about Tyler RufWall.

Dave Norkin, President Norkin Plumbing Company
New York, New York
"Tyler RufWall proved to be a real on-the-job time saver. Our journeymen plumbers were able to install the units and make the No-Hub connections in minutes using only a torque wrench. We were so impressed with the time savings and ease of installation that we are using RufWall in the penthouse addition to the hotel and on other projects."

Robert Emmett Cosentini Associates Consulting Engineers New York, New York
"The hotel design called for a compact DWV system. The construction schedule was tight. There were the inevitable site storage and vertical delivery problems associated with highrise construction in Manhattan, which could have caused delays with a less versatile piping system. However, Tyler's RufWall did the job and provided us with more useful living area in each room."

For more information, circle item numbers on Readers Service Inquiry Card, pages 189-190.

RESIDENTIAL HVAC / A six-page brochure describes the operation and advantages of this central system for older homes and homes with hot water, steam or electric radiant heat. The system includes small, flexible, factory-insulated ducts that thread around studs and other obstacles instead of through them, and end up as inconspicuous two-inch diffuser openings in floor, ceiling, or soffit areas.  • Dunham-Bush, Inc., Harrisonburg, Va.

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OFFICE PLANNING / Nine ways to plan offices and work-stations are described in a 20-page brochure on the company's modular Series 9000. Executive and managerial offices, as well as work stations for word processors, programmers and CRT operators, are among the arrangements presented by the brochure, which is designed as an idea workbook. Photographs, 1/4-inch scale in detail and exploded drawings detail the components required for each assembly.  • Steelcase Inc., Grand Rapids, Mich.

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COMBINATION HEATING/COOLING / Complete data covering 7%- and 10-ton combination heating and cooling roof-top units are available in a 12-page folder. In addition to physical, electrical, capacity and dimensional data, the folder also provides information on gas and electric heating, plus air flow arrangements and performance.  • Rheem Mfg. Co., Jackson, Mich.

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CARPET CUSHION / A sample kit for architects and interior designers contains samples and complete specifications of four cushions manufactured by the company. All of the four lines are specifically formulated according to traffic pattern requirements and are suitable for use in virtually any type of installation. All the cushions also meet or exceed the nonflammability requirements of D0C FF 1-70 and three meet requirements of ASTM E 84-68 (Pill and Steiner Tunnel tests). These cushions are designed to meet medium and heavy traffic in commercial areas.  • Dayco Carpet Cushion Co., Dayton, Ohio.

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ASPHALT ROOFING MANUFACTURERS / The revised edition of the Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers Association booklet is designed as a guide for the roofer, dealer or architect and discusses the latest industry-approved techniques for steep roofing.  • ARMA, New York City.

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A-E PRIMER ON FEDERAL CONTRACTS / The second edition of "Contracting with the Federal Government/A Primer for Architects and Engineers" has just been published by the Committee on the Federal Procurement of Architect-Engineer Services (COFPAES). The comprehensive document provides a full explanation of the A-E procurement process used by the Federal government, agencies which contract for A-E services, an explanation of how government agencies select and negotiate architect-engineer agreements, and copies of Federal regulations covering A-E contracts. Cost of the primer is $10.  • COFPAES, Silver Spring, Md.

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UPHOLSTERED CHAIRS CATALOG / A full color catalog illustrating new styles of molded polyurethane shell chairs is now offered by the company. Each shell style is available with five different bases including wood-clad, wine-stem or traditional four-legged styling.  • Virco Mfg. Corp., Torrance, Cal.

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PLYWOOD SPECIFICATIONS / A revised plywood specification and three new supplements are now available. The 30-page specification contains new section properties and recommended design stresses for plywood. Supplement 1 presents working stresses and design ideas for plywood curved panels in 10 illustrated pages. plywood beams are covered in Supplement 2, a 16-page booklet which includes general information on glued beam fabrication and testing. Working stresses and design ideas for flat plywood stressed skin panels are offered in the 20-page Supplement 3, and Supplement 4 covers construction details on plywood sandwich panels. Data presented in all five specifications are in accordance with PS 1-74.  • American Plywood Assn., Tacoma, Wash.

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NON-METALLIC GROUT / A four-page catalog describing the features of Sealight V-1 non-metallic grout points out that the product is a pre-mixed, high-density, high-compressive strength, non-shrink grout used for precision grouting of machinery and equipment, anchor bolts, sol plates, bridge bearings, columns, etc. It offers high yield, withstands high vibratory and dynamic forces, is corrosion resistant and exhibits outstanding workability, according to the company.  • W. R. Meadows, Inc., Elgin, Ill.

Circle 408 on inquiry card

INDUSTRIAL-COMMERCIAL LIGHTING / A catalog describing a complete line of energy-efficient industrial and commercial lighting systems is entitled "Indoor Lighting Systems—Designer's and Buyer's Guide" and refers to High Intensity Discharge (HID) lighting systems: mercury, metal halide, and Luchax. The publication includes such data as coefficients of utilization, temperature, room classification, indoor illumination levels.  • Lighting Systems Business Dept., General Electric Co., Hendersonville, N.C.

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BUSINESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS / Literature is available for the company's LSI Interconnect systems for firms with requirements from 12 to several thousand extensions. Full service from branch offices is available, including system installation, personnel training and maintenance.  • Lear Siegler, Inc., Oklahoma City, Okla.

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EXHAUST REGISTER / The bulletin describes the register's concept of assuring uniform exhaust flow, and its low noise level, which permits high-velocity duct design. Also explained is the prebalancing of the exhaust system, and a claim regarding the register's ease of installation.  • American SF Products, Inc., Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

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DOOR HEATER CATALOG / The catalog describes gas-fired and steam/hot water door heaters; it includes selection procedure, suggested specifications, heating capacities and dimensions for all available models.  • Modine Mfg. Co., Racine, Wis.

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INDUSTRIAL DOORS / In addition to providing guidance for correct door selection, catalog includes drawings, specifications and photographs of power- and manually-operated doors for a wide variety of industrial applications. Descriptions of all door controls, and standard and optional components are included.  • Clark Door Co., Inc., Cranford, N.J.

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OFFICE LITERATURE
Plexiglas® lighting panels are clearly safer overhead.

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PRODUCT REPORTS continued from page 133

LAR ENERGY COLLECTOR GLAZING / “Tedlar” PVF film, recently developed by the company, is recommended for glazing solar energy collectors. The .004-in. thick film transmits 92 to 94 per cent of total incident solar energy, with the main losses used by surface reflection. The film can be heat-sealed, shrink-wrapped, and bonded by adhesives.

R KING/DIRECTIONAL SIGNS / To help in the identification of accessible buildings, and accessible facilities within the building, specially designed signage incorporating the international symbol of access has been developed. The symbol is also used to identify sloping ramps, ground level entrances, specially reserved parking places, levels without curbs at crosswalks, elevators, and dial telephones and drinking fountains placed low enough so they can be used by persons in wheelchairs. The symbol is offered on a variety of signs, cues and decals. Seton Name Plate Corp., New Haven, Conn.

HANDICAPPED PARKING CUBICABINS / Over 100 sizes and configurations comprise a standard line of hospital, laboratory and institutional casework with flush interior construction to make good housekeeping easy. Other features include micro-welded corners to eliminate seams on the cabinet face, institutional-type gears with lubricant-impregnated nylon spacers between knuckles, heavy-duty drawer channels, nylon steel-ball bearing rollers, double-pan doors and honeycomb sound-deadening mechanism, and forced cabinet bottoms. Providing a standard 24-in. depth and 30-in. or 24½-in. height, any of a number of standard cabinet widths can be selected. Noproducts are made in a single continuous unit for more cabinets. American Sterilizer Co., Eatontown, N.J.

OMATIC LAUNDRY FOLDERS / Two automatic folding machines, include: the “Foldmaster” model B-4 that folds large linen items such as sheets, tablecloths uniformly and automatically; and “dimaster” model B-5 for folding smaller linen items such as towels and pillow cases. Economics Bldg., Inc., White Plains, N.Y.

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EL SPIRAL STAIR KITS / The "Model 30" and "Model 40" are within the moderate-to-low budget range and the kit price is for a complete standard stair, including 12 treads, 13 risers and platform with handrail. All the hardware needed to assemble and install the stairs is included, with 3½-in. diameter center post, 10-in. welded base plate, ¾-in.-sq. spindles, ¾-in.-formed steel platform and treads. All metal parts are primed with flat black. • Whitten Enterprises, Inc., Bennington, Vt.

VIBRATION ISOLATION SYSTEM / A combination roof mounting frame, curb, and vibration elimination base for rooftop mounted heating and cooling units is being introduced. Named Vibro-Curb, the one-piece factory-fabricated system isolates vibration from a typical unit's fans, motors and compressors to reduce the transmission levels to sensitive spaces below, by as much as 90 per cent. A 2-in.-thick high-density fiberglass wall within the curb and under the unit's space provides an airtight chamber for the return air. Duct silencers are also factory installed in this chamber to save field installation. Counter flashing is snapped in place to make the entire assembly weatherproof. • Vibro-Curb, Inc., Wheaton, Ill.

NURISHMENT CENTER / Two modular pre-fabricated nourishment centers have been designed for use in nursing homes, medical and dental practice buildings, institutions and other health facilities; they can be used for serving supplementary nourishment, special diets and whole meals. The 57-enter model is free-standing and the 60-in. center is designed to be built-in. They include a microwave oven, refrigerator, icemaker, two electric surface units, sink-top and cabinets. • Dwyer Products Co., Michigan City, Ind.

OSHA-COMPLIANCE CLOCK / Introduced two years ago, the "Richboro" electric wall clock was specially designed to comply with OSHA regulations that all electrical appliances in industrial plants, offices and institutions be grounded. It is equipped with a 3-wire cord set with molded-on plug that grounds the electric motor, preventing danger of electric shock. Originally offered in a 12-in.-diameter dial size, the clock is now also available in an 8-in.-diameter version. Additionally, the dials of both clocks have been redesigned with very black Gothic numerals on a white face for better legibility. • Franklin Instrument Co., Inc., Boro, Pa.

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Table and Floor Lamps / "Light-White" lamps are molded from high-density, impact-resistant, translucent white polyethylene, and with UL-approved electrical parts. The cylinders are made of opal acrylic. Certain styles can be stacked up to 4 high for a unique design. All lamps are wired with an "off-on" line switch. • Trimble House Corp., Norcross, Ga.

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INFRA-RED RADIANT TUBE HEATER / The 175,000 Btu/hr radiant tube heater is available in either vented or unvented models for complete comfort heating to zone or spot heating, condensation control, thawing or drying. Heater can be installed as close as 12 in. below combustibles except when mounted on a 90 degree angle. Measuring about 13 ft long with an infra-red emitting surface of 25 sq ft, this heater provides heating either indoors or outdoors, and is suited for use over large doors that are frequently opened. • Space-Ray Div., Gas-Fired Products, Inc., Charlotte, N.C.

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SOUND-ABSORB MIRRORED CEILINGS / Vista Sonic mirrored ceiling panels are made from fire-retardant acoustical ceiling panels covered with a tough aluminized back surface that minimizes dust build-up. A 1/8-in. air space between the film and the acoustical tile backing acts as a cushion that allows the film to give under minor impact without damage, and the shutter-proof surface offers distortion-free light reflection. • United States Gypsum Co., Chicago, Ill.

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INSULATING TACKABLE PRODUCTS / Utilizing a patented substrate and fire retardant burlap, the company has achieved a fire hazard classification of Class A on the combined products. In addition to fire retardant burlap, dark Portuguese cork and natural cork panels achieved the same fire hazard classification. • Homasote Co., West Trenton, N.J.

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metal door catalog / A metal doors and frames catalog depicts the company's 1975 line of steel doors and framing, lists specifications and explains labeled fire doors and transom panel assemblies. • Amveld Building Products, Niles, Ohio.

office partitioning / A 12-page booklet illustrates full-height walls and screens, and cabinetry, work surfaces, power columns and other accessories. Use of magnets for accessory attachment to the basic steel wall system is also described. • Hauserman, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio.

audio-visual information / A low-cost packaged audio-visual system that claims to give business and other users most of the advantages of expensive custom units is described in a brochure. The self-contained unit provides for sound motion pictures, slides and overhead transparencies. • Jerome Menell Co., Inc., New York City.

insulated modular building system / Prefab insulated modular panel building systems for frozen food, meat and dairy plants, cold storage warehouses, freezers, coolers, and environmental control structures are described in a catalog including specifications. The panels incorporate a core of expanded rigid polystyrene foam insulation. Aluminum and other facings are available in a selection of colors and finishes. • Modular Panel Co., New Bedford, Mass.

shingles, siding / A comprehensive catalog describing the company's roof shingles, sidings, and related building products provides basic information on asphalt roofing shingles, vinyl and mineral sidings, plastic shutters, asbestos-cement building board, built-up roofing materials, roof coatings, plastic cements, fiberglass insulation and corrugated metal siding. The catalog also features information on Vanguard vinyl siding. • GAF Corp., New York City.

all-aluminum pools / A 1975 color brochure features the engineering design of the company's pools with illustrations of projects in: schools, colleges, parks, municipalities, hospitals, hotels, motels, and country clubs. Special interest pools such as therapeutic and teaching pools are also included. All are constructed of aluminum. • Chester Products Inc., Middletown, Ohio.

mobile storage systems / Based on eliminating aisle space by making all storage units mobile, these systems are designed to be moved manually or electrically. Full details and illustrations are in the "Mobile Filing & Storage Systems" catalog. • Space-makers, Inc., Brooklyn, N.Y.

storage equipment guide / This catalog contains 136 pages picturing equipment for in-plant and warehouse transporting, lifting, dumping, hoisting, pulling, conveying, storing, and drum handling. New products such as cabinets, conveyors, slings, racks, scissor lifts, lockers and rototins are featured. Complete prices and specifications are included along with technical and engineering information. • Standard Handling Devices, Medford, Mass.

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EARTHQUAKE REPORT / Lessons learned from investigations on the Managua, Nicaragua, earthquake of December 23, 1972, are summarized in a report published by American Iron and Steel Institute. The 54-page report consists of two papers. One, entitled “Engineering Lessons from the Managua Earthquake,” describes effects of the quake on major buildings in Managua and ends with 12 important lessons learned from the disaster. The second paper, entitled “Managua: Effects on Systems,” describes how the earthquake crippled systems that are not always easily visible but which are vital to the functioning of a city—water and sewer lines, electrical generating stations and lines, the airport and railroad, streets and highways, communications systems, and heavy mechanical and electrical equipment in buildings. • American Iron and Steel Institute, Washington, D.C.

ELECTRICAL LOAD PROGRAMMER / A new bulletin describes a power-conserving load programmer with automatic setpoint adjustment. The unit is designed to defer electrical loads and limit peak demands, conserving power and reducing total electrical costs for a wide variety of building types. The bulletin details how the automatic programming adjusts a building’s circuits (from 4 to 60) during peak loads and periods when power is less expensive. Complete operation of the load programmer, including setpoints, automatic adjustments, and measures to minimize hunting and maintain service to the maximum number of circuits, is explained. • I-T-E Imperial Corp., Spring House, Pa.

ELECTRIC UNIT HEATERS / These units are available for horizontal or vertical mounting with discharge flexibility to provide full 360-degree warm air patterns. All-welded construction is provided, with sub-divided circuit protection to UL and NEC requirements; units are completely pre-wired. Totally enclosed motors and automatic thermostats are standard features. Units are suitable for commercial and industrial applications for spot or auxiliary heating, and sizes range from 1½ to 36 kw for operation on all voltages; 24 volt and two-stage thermostats are also available. The bulletin contains complete technical and electrical information. • I.I.G Industries, Chicago, Ill.

SIGNAGE PRODUCTS / A file folder of product literature on signage systems and products provides architects, designers and building owners with a single supply source for a complete line of visually coordinated signage materials and components designed to complement one another. The brochures list specifications on pressure-sensitive legends and emblems; fiber-reinforced polyester (FRP) signs, components and monoliths; post and panel assemblies; plaque signage; metal letters; cast tablets and plaques; finishes and enamel colors; building directories; and a line of letter styles. • J.H. Matthews & Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

IDENTIFICATION SYSTEMS / A 68-page full line catalog, complete with prices and ordering information includes: safety signs, lettering systems, numbering and coding, floor marking, and pipe marking. The catalog contains descriptive information, cross-references to related products, and stock numbers. • J.H. Brady Co., Milwaukee, Wis.

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New offices, office changes
Jacques de Brer, AIA, has opened his new office at 562 Mission Street, San Francisco, Cal.
MacFadyen DeVido Architects have moved to 27 West 53 Street, New York City.
Darrell Leatham and Nat J. Adams have announced the merging of their architectural firms, to form Adams & Leatham, Architects, 100 W. State Street, Boise, Idaho.
Page Southend Page have opened a Dallas office at Two Turtle Creek Village.
Alec Yuill-Thornton and John Russell Levikow have announced the continuation of the practice of Yuill-Thornton, Warner & Levikow as Yuill-Thornton & Levikow, Inc., 442 Post Street, San Francisco, Cal.
John Roger Johansen, AIA has opened his office at 228 N. Main Street, Cheboygan, Mich.
Following the death of Louis I. Kahn, members of his staff who had worked in close association with him have formed a partnership. The new firm is called David Wisdom & Associates, located at 1501 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Marquis & Stoller have changed their firm name to Marquis Associates, 243 Vallejo Street, San Francisco, Cal.
The Eggers Partnership have announced the opening of a new branch office in Suite 801, 1629 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.
Patrick Anthony Roy, AIA, AIP, has announced the establishment of his consulting office for the practice of architecture, environmental design and urban and regional planning. Offices are located at 3 Chaucer Road, Elmsfordtown, N.J.
Ralph Hahn and Associates, consulting and design engineers, Springfield, Ill., have recently opened a branch office at 230 Royal Palm Way, Palm Beach, Fla.
Barton-Ashman Associates, Chicago, have opened a branch office in Arcadia, Cal.
T. R. Larson, Architect, announced the relocation of his office to 213 Grand Ave., Pacific Grove, Cal.

New associates, promotions
Fred Fast has been named an associate of Williams & Mullins, Inc., Minn. Also John R. Birge, R. William Cramer and Phillip Higgason have been promoted to associates in the Omaha, Neb., offices.
Adel Foz, Kyung-Bae Park and Jane Weinzapfel have been named associates of the firm of Wallace, Floyd, Ellenzenweig, Moore, Inc.
Flower & Associates, Inc. of Dallas, Tex., have announced the election of William S. Poole, P.E. as vice president and director and the appointment of James L. Balliet as associate.
Locke Wright Foster Incorporated, Architects-Planners, Oklahoma City, Okla. announce the appointment of Joe Davis, Tom Fish, and Dennis Ward as associates.
Kamlah L. Johnson has been named manager of the New Orleans office of Ellerbe Architects.
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