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OUR WASHINGTON REPORT:

- Carpeting included in FHA financing
- Housing for elderly expanding
- New contract furnishings awards
- Recent federal invitations

THE federal government presents many opportunities for the floor coverings industry. It also illustrates the need for competing segments of an industry to be aware of what's going on here, because the federal government can issue regulations, or set trends, that can affect the industry far beyond the instant event, and that can mean more to present or future prosperity than any specific contract.

Here are a couple of examples. National Association of Home Builders has decided to keep up its campaign to have the Federal Housing Administration include carpeting in the real estate for FHA single-home mortgages. FHA last fall approved carpeting and draperies for multifamily units on a case-by-case basis.

Competition is given as the reason—that carpeting is increasingly being included in the valuation in conventional financing in many areas of the country.

While FHA now accounts for about only a fifth of the starts, its impact on the entire market is far greater. There's no indication such a radical change would occur soon, but the continuing pressure is worth watching, by all parts of the floor covering industry.

Senior citizens housing

Another example is that of housing for the elderly. This is expanding rapidly. And it is the most popular special housing program among Congressmen. Old folks are popular, and special housing for them is one consequence.

A significant feature of many of the projects being approved these days is "nonslip flooring." Often, this is carpeting. Although this affects carpeting indirectly, its implications are widerhousing for the elderly can become a pacesetter for general housing features. Safety is growing in importance as a consideration in housing. This could turn into the twist: What's good enough for mom and pop is good enough for daughter and son.

Senior styles

As these approved projects spread over the country, the contract furnishings industry will be benefiting. The new construction consistently includes many areas that will require contract outfitting.

Freedom House in Seattle, Wash., which has the largest direct federal loan in this program so far, \$3,691,000, plans 307 apartments. It will have a dining hall, a first floor lounge, library and office, lounge areas on each floor, non-slip floors throughout, special height kitchen cabinets, built-in ranges and refrigerators.

Baptist Village, Waycross, Ga., will have a cluster of cottages surrounding a core building which includes a dayroom and kitchenette. The cottages will have built-in furniture. Another section will have a dayroom, dining room, lounge, beauty parlor, conference room, offices.

St. Timothy's Manor, Compton, Calif., includes a commons room, hobby shop, wall-to-wall carpeting. Magnolia Manor, Americus, Ga., will have an activities building including an auditorium, library, offices, and activities rooms. Reception and lounge areas are planned. Monsignor Wynhoven apartments, New Orleans, will have an auditorium and dining room. Floors are slip-proof throughout.

Elderly outlook

But the activity so far is just a hint of things to come. You'll see this mature into a lusty businessmaker. This year, Congress expanded the authorization for the direct loan program for elderly housing by \$100 million. But the pressures exist for far more. Housing and Home Finance Agency estimates the program will be running at a \$140 million annual rate by a year from now.

And Congress next year will be considering proposals, made late in this session, for taking the present budgetary lid off altogether. Instead of figuring the millions in direct loans as a current expenditure, only the estimated net losses from the direct loan program, and from the alsogrowing FHA insured program for elderly projects, should be figured into the annual federal budget, it's proposed. If this were to happen, the future for old folks' housing programs—and the contract furnishing to go with it—would have virtually no ceiling.

Trickle-down theory

In that light, you can scan the potential impact of an Institute on furniture requirements for (Continued on page 12) CLOCK-WISE... there's really nothing quite like designer George Nelson's imaginative approach to contemporary timing. Howard Miller Clock Company Zeeland, Mich.



OUR WASHINGTON REPORT

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older persons, sponsored by the National Council on the Aging. It's underwritten by a Baumritter Corp. grant.

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Important point: Many authorities here won't cut off the "aging" as a group starting at age 62 or 65. There are pressures to bring this down to 60. And with early retirement in the military and elsewhere, the group can often include folk in their fifties, too. So it's a big, growing market for the contract furnishings industry.

Pay dirt

Some recent federal procurement awards: Storage steel cabinets, \$27,045, Interior Steel Equipment Co., here, awarded by the Post Office department here.

GSA, New York—Curtains and grommets, indefinite quantity, through Aug. 31, 1963, Jolo Plastics Corp., New York City. Navy Ships Parts Control Center, Mechanicsburg, Pa.—1207 aluminum straight chairs, \$29,-559, Emeco Corp., Hanover, Pa. 156 pedestal chairs, \$25,428, Turnbull Enterprises, Baltimore. 1595 fluorescent lighting fixtures, \$36,844, Wheeler Reflector Co., Hanson, Mass.

Invitation to dig

And some recent federal invitations, to give you an indication of the road, include:

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Veterans Administration hospital, Omaha—16 laboratory cabinets with stainless steel tops and birch plywood bases.

GSA, Denver—aluminum, glass and plastic ash trays, indefinite quantity, through Sept. 25, 1963. 991 auditorium chairs.

GSA, Washington—general office wood furntture, through Dec. 31, 1963. 586 quarters floor lights. Rattan household furniture, through Feb. 28, 1964.

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CONTRACT NEWS

Shelby Williams forms new contract division

Shelby Williams Mfg., Inc., has disclosed plans for the establishment of a new division especially organized to develop and produce furniture for public areas and guest rooms. The firm plans to introduce a broad basic furniture line to include case goods as well as tables and seating. Louis Diamond is contract sales manager.

Holiday Inns 10th anniversary report

A 10th anniversary report from Holiday Inns of America states that the motel chain is now opening a new inn every 2.4 days. The first motel in the franchise chain opened in Memphis, Tenn., in July of 1952; by January 1, 1963, there will be 362 Holiday Inns in operation. Average cost of a



Holiday Inn is \$1 million. Newest trend is the "vertical" motel, multi-storied hostelries designed for metropolitan locations. Holiday Inns has taken sites in ten major cities for the vertical inns, each to be 13 stories high, each to be crowned with a glass-enclosed revolving restaurant on its roof.

Maxwell Co. expands facilities

The Maxwell Co., contract furnishers, has created a new western division and has enlarged its Los Angeles office to make it regional headquarters for the area west of the Rockies, western Canada, Alaska, and Hawaii. New regional sales manager for the Los Angeles office will be Lee Platt. James Parsons Hartig, NSID, will head the design staff.

Office furniture shipments drop in 1961

A detailed analysis by the 1961 U.S. Bureau of Census shows an over-all decline of 2.8% in 1961 office furniture shipments from 1960. The figures represent an \$8 million drop from 1960's record \$291.6 million to \$283.6 million in 1961. The report also shows a net gain of 3.5% in share of market for wood office furniture in the six-year period, 1956-1961. Shipments of metal office furniture in 1961 totaled \$194.7 million while smaller wood industry shipped \$88.9 million.

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Decoration and Design 1963

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All-Steel expands facilities

Construction of a \$2 million headquarters office building and a 510,000 square foot factory addition will more than double the size of All-Steel Equipment's present facilities, permitting the firm to consolidate all manufacturing and administrative activities at one location.

Herman Miller European unit

The formation of Herman Miller A.G., in Basel, Switzerland, was disclosed last month by Hugh DePree, president of Herman Miller, Inc., Zeeland, Mich. The European firm will manufacture and sell Herman Miller furniture in Europe, the Near East, and Africa. The new firm is the result of an agreement between Herman Miller, Inc., and Willi Fehlbaum of Basel, who will be managing director of the new company.

Wool carpet promotion committee formed

Wool Carpets of America has been selected as the organizational name of the Joint Committee of the Carpet Wool Council, Inc., and The Wool Bureau, Inc., set up expressly for the promotion of wool carpets. The committee will develop a substantial program of fundamental and applied scientific research and product development in the field of wool carpets and carpet wools. One of the objectives of the research program is to discover practical methods for producing new and/or improved features in wool carpets.

Interior design assignment

The interior design for the new 250 room luxury motor hotel, the St. Louis deVille, Lindell Boulevard and Taylor, St. Louis, Mo., will be created by Henry End, (AID, IDI). The assignment was made by Paul Kapelow and Associates of New Orleans. In addition to the rooms, Mr. End will design the public rooms, including the dining rooms, coffee shop and the patio and pool areas.

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Cabin Crafts new contract, custom line

A new, expanded contract-commercial-custom line of carpets and design rugs was presented this month by Cabin Crafts, Inc., New York, after a two-month period of test marketing portions of the contract line in major cities throughout the country. The new line has been specifically engineered and designed to make available through franchised dealers to architects and their clients the advantages of modern chemical fibers such as Acrilan and Nylon. The line will contain eleven different style effects and a broad color range.

American of Martinsville plans new plant

The new American of Martinsville upholstery plant at Redd Level, Va., is expected to go into production in January, 1963, and is reputed to be the largest in the nation, incorporating the latest engineering developments and machinery in assembly production upholstery. Harvey LaFon has been appointed superintendent of the new factory.

L & B new address

L & B Products Corp., chair manufacturer, has moved from its New Rochelle location to: 324 Laconia Ave., Bronx 69, N.Y. New telephone number is TU 2-5400.

Morton to furnish Wisconsin resort

Morton Textiles & Furniture, Chicago, has been awarded the contract to furnish a new $31/_2$ million, 245-room resort on the shore of Lake Geneva, Wis. The resort, called the Abbey, will be in Fontana, Wis., and will include 90 acres of resort facilities and a private lagoon with a marina for 254 boats, as well as dining rooms, cocktail lounges, and convention facilities.

New Thailand division

Designed Wood Flooring Co. has been designated as the new division of Thailand Industries, Inc., New York City.

ISD moves

Interior Space Design, the contract design division of Perkins & Will, architects, has moved to 485 Lexington Ave., New York City.

Addendum: Vicrtex wallcovering

The credits on page 28 of our August issue regrettably omitted mention of an important manufacturing source. The wallcovering used in the banquet room of Indian Hills Inn, which was shown on that page, was made by L. E. Carpenter & Co. The style was Carpenter's Vicrtex Vienna in antique gold.





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Refrigerator with ice-maker and storage space in the foyer bar.

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IGGG Room of Tomorrow

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1963 "Room of Tomorrow" designed by Roy F. Beal, F.A.I.D. See it at the National Hotel Exposition, New York, in November. See "Room" sponsors for product information.



This prestige bedroom suite features a king-size bed with vinylupholstered headboard that has fold-down panels at each side wonderful for coffee in bed! Striking ceiling lights have dimmer control for bright or soft lighting effects. Carpet boasts beauty, walking comfort and durability—has integrated sponge cushioning. Television, intercom and lighting control within easy reach.



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Here's quiet elegance in the Room-at-the-Top living room. The design and decor achieve a spacious and informal feeling. Variety of ideas for walls—plastic-coated woven covering and wood-grained laminate—window draperies flanked by floor-to-ceiling vinyl screens. New flooring treatment in wood vinyl.





Color television with wood-grained laminate wall backdrop, highlighted by strips of ceramic tile. Dramatic lighting has dimmer control at tableside.

One of two bathrooms for the Room-at-the-Top suiteor single bath for the Short-Stop Room. Modern bathroom fixtures, sparkling mirror, gleaming vinyl walls and textured pastel floor represent decorative ideas.



Lighting in all rooms features dimmer control.

PEOPLE

Lawrence Lerner, president of Michael Saphier Associates, New York City, addressed the Mortgage Bankers Assoc. of America at a Michigan State University symposium Sept.. 12. Mr. Lerner, whose firm has planned and designed more than 55,000,000 square feet of office and industrial space, spoke on "Physical Office Administration."

Jack Sampson has been appointed director of hotel-motel sales for the Robey Department of Drexel Enterprises, Inc., Drexel, N.C. Mr. Sampson will direct the entire marketing activities of all hotel and motel products..

Daniel C. Delacourt has been promoted to a staff position in American Viscose Corp.'s industrial merchandising department in New York City.

Executive Interiors, Inc., Washington showroom devoted exclusively to office furniture and furnishings, announces the addition to its professional staff of James B. Rome as sales manager. With a background of space planning, design and decorating, Mr. Rome will further develop Executive Interior's clientele among architects, designers, as well as government agencies, institutions, and other qualified contract purchasers. Ken Watt has been appointed director of marketing for Shelby Williams Mfg., Inc., Chicago, manufacturer of institutional seating, as part of the firm's planned program of expansion.

Nathan S. Ancell, president and treasurer of Baumritter Corp., has been elected 1962-1963 president of the National Association of Furniture Manufacturers, during the association's 34th annual convention last month. Others elected are: J. Raymond Gerken, president, Norwalk Upholstery Co.—first vice president; Herbert Toor, president, Furniture Guild of California—second vice president; Roger Clapp, general manager, Mersman Bros. Corp.—third vice president. Reelected were: Jerome L. Metz, president, J. L Metz Furniture Co.—treasurer; John M. Snow executive vice president of NAFM.

Earl W. Jones has been named as a sales representative by Troy Sunshade Co., for all phases of furniture sales in portions of Kentucky, Virginia, and West Virginia.

WALTER P. BRIGGS

Walter Peter Briggs, 46, vice president of sales Mohawk Carpet Mills division of Mohasco Indus tries, carpet manufacturer, died last month at his home in Bronxville, N.Y.



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B ECAUSE the contract market is expanding at a continually accelerating pace, trade interest in a marketplace at which a generous slice of the industry's wares are shown is at an all-time high. To date, the most effective showcase has been the National Hotel Exposition, which takes place annually in November at New York City's Coliseum. Although it is, as its name implies, a hotel show rather than a specialized contract furnishings exhibit, its fourth floor is nevertheless the most wide-ranging show of furniture and furnishings for commerical and institutional interiors of every type, far transcending the requirements of hotels and motels alone.

Basic contract exhibits at the hotel show are the Room of Tomorrow and Designs for Dining, details of which are shown elsewhere in this issue. These feature functional interiors that the hotel or motel operators can use as sources for ideas and for actual furnishings as well. Many or the products shown in Room of Tomorrow and Designs for Dining will be available, and sales men from the companies that make them will be on hand to provide information.

By our count, there are approximately 100 sources for contract furnishings represented this year on the fourth floor of the hotel show. The merchandise they will show includes both stand ard and new items, in virtually every category of interest—furniture, carpeting, fabrics, resili ent flooring, wallcoverings, lighting fixtures, par titions, refrigerators, TV and communications accessories, and packaged design and planning services. A list of these exhibitors and their booth numbers is printed here. Each of their exhibits will be staffed by sales personnel who can tell you what you want to know about the line of products in question. Each of them is also equipped to take your order at the show for immediate or later delivery. Valuable data on quantity prices, specifications, and tests are also available from these sales representatives.

A review of the offerings by exhibitors indicates that not only is every category of furnishings represented but also a broad range of price category. It is possible to outfit everything from a low-budget restaurant to a de luxe hotel from among the products that will be shown at the National Hotel Exposition. The best of the furniture and furnishings shown ranks with the highest-priced "decorator" merchandise available; the difference is in construction, rather than in esthetics, since the contract units are made to withstand more rugged wear and to reduce maintenance and repair problems. The hundreds of "bread-and-butter" items featured are also designed and built in conformity with contract requirements.

Contract buyers should attend, while touring the fourth floor, the annual Motel and Motor-Hotel Conference, which will take place on November 13 and 14. Motels (see August 1962 CONTRACT) have become an important segment of the contract field, and the conference acts as a workshop providing information on phases of motel operation that will be helpful to the designer as well as to the motel operator.

The point that should be underlined is that the National Hotel Exposition is a buyer's show, providing in effect the most convenient and most comprehensive marketplace for the purchasing of contract furnishings. (\mathbf{C})

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2148-50	All Mica Fabricating Co., Inc.		4068
4046	American Biltrite Rubber Co. (Amtico)		2033-34
4132	American Furniture Co., Inc.		4051-52
3036	Authentic Furniture Products		2194
1199	Bassick Co.		4108
2025	Bates Fabrics Inc.		2163
2031	Baumritter Corp.		2108
4088-91	Beauty Craft Furniture Industries, Inc.		2050-1/25
2120	Bela Div., J & J Tool & Machine Co.		4122
ROT	Bell Telephone System		4111
2082	Bigelow Sanford, Inc.		2211
2201	Bonnie Looms, Ltd.		4069
2150	B. Brody Seating Co.		4057-58
2041-42	Brunswick Corp.		1171
4039-40	Buckstaff Co.		4113-17
2215	Budoff Outdoor Furniture Inc.		4092
4107	Carroll Chair Co.		1150
2085	Chairmasters Inc.		4070
4100-01	Chemstrand Corp.		4080-81
4059-60	Chicago Hardware Foundry Co.		4084-85
4094-95	Consolidated Hotel Equip. Div.		1216-17
3250	Croydon Furniture Co., Ltd.		1168-69
4049-50	Daglee Seating Co.		1019-20
3061-63	Eastern Furniture Manufacturers, Inc.		4031-34
2061-62	Empire State Chair Co., Inc.		2155
2153	Englander Co., Inc.	1.1	4112
3250	Exclusive Upholstery Co., Ltd.	1 1	2084
1179-80	Fixtures Mfg. Corp.		4037-38
2179	Formica Corp.		4000-04
2126-27	Gasser Chair Co., Inc.		3161
2216	General Electric Co. (TV)		2210
4098	General Tire & Rubber Co. (Textileather)		2152
4129	Georgia Company, Inc.		2164-65
4023	Georgian Lighting Studios, Inc.		4093
2023	Gilbert-Jaffe Co.		1103
2023	Gulistan Carpet Co., Inc.		4125-26
4027-28	Hardwood House, Inc.		2181
2088	Harvard Mfg. Co.		2199-200
4071-72	Heifetz Co.		4127
2058	Hercules Seating Co., Inc.		4086-87
4109	Heywood-Wakefield Co.		4078
3184-86	Hobart Mfg. Co.		4030
3088	Holcomb & Hoke Mfg. Co., Inc.		4098
2122-23	Howe Folding Furniture Inc.		2081
2086	Hunt Country Furniture, Inc.		2159
2208-09	Huntington Furniture Corp.		2076-79
4103	Iron-A-Way Co., Inc.		1001
2030	A. & M. Karagheusian, Inc.		2190-91
2030	King Arthur Chair Co., Inc.		4041-42
3156	King Refrigerator Corp.		2172
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2033-34	J. Lowenstein & Son, Inc.
4051-52	Lynch & Bailey Inc.
2194	Magee Carpet Co.
4108	Magnavox Co.
2163	Masland Duraleather Co.
2108	Maxwell Co., Inc.
2050-1/251	
4122	McInnis & Co., Inc.
4111	Jo Mead Designs
2211	Morgan-Jones Inc.
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4113-17	New England Contract Furnishings Inc.
4092	New York Flameproofing Co., Inc.
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4070	Parkwood Laminates Inc.
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1168-69	Plastics Mfg. Co.
1019-20	Precision Metal Products Inc.
4031-34	Quartite Creative Corp.
2155	R-Way Furniture Co.
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4000-04	Robey Dept. of Drexel Enterprises, Inc.
3161	Rolscreen Co.
2210	Sealy, Inc.
2152	Shelby Williams Mfg. Inc.
2164-65	Simmons Co.
4093	Springer Penguin, Inc.
1103	Stakmore Co.
4125-26	Standard Coated Products, Inc.
2181	J. P. Stevens & Co., Inc.
2199-200	Straus-Duparquet Inc.
4127	Harris G. Strong
4086-87	Stylume Products Inc.
4078	Superior Electric Co.
4030	Syracuse Ornamental Co., Inc.
4098	Textileather Div., General Tire & Rubber Co.
2081	Thonet Industries, Inc.
2159	Tri-Par Mfg. Co.
2076-79	Troy Sunshade Co.
1001	United States Plywood Corp.
2190-91	United States Rubber Co.
4041-42	Virtue Bros. Mfg. Co.
2172	Wells Television Inc.
2054-56	Westinghouse Electric Corp.
4063-64	Zenith Sales Corp.

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ROOM OF TOMORROW

Transient and de luxe accommodations shown in 1963 edition designed by Roy Beal









ROOM OF TOMORROW will again be one of the major offerings at next month's National Hotel Exposition in New York City. Created annually by a nationally known interior designer to set design standards for guestrooms, Room of Tomorrow, since its inception five years ago, can measure its success by the increasing number of well-planned and attractive guestroom accommodations springing up throughout the country (see Motels, August 1962 CONTRACT).

The 1963 Room of Tomorrow was created by Roy F. Beal, FAID, well-known designer from Austin, Texas. For the Room's fifth annual presentation, Mr. Beal has designed and planned two model units —the Short Stop Room, functionally created for the overnight guest, and the Room At The Top, comprising living room, foyer, bedroom, bath-dressing area, and loggia—a spacious executive suite for two to four persons.

As in the past, Room of Tomorrow is sponsored by leading national manufacturers, 19 in all this year, who will contribute furnishings of outstanding quality and design merit. In fact, the 1963 units will contain many specially designed and developed "firsts." In the Room At The Top, Simmons Co. will debut its classic, 19th centurystyled InnMaster III line, an actual production group that can be ordered directly from Simmons at the hotel show. New colors, finishes, and effects will be introduced in the wall and furniture laminates, in the vinyl flooring, carpeting, wallcoverings, and upholstery. Lighting will be given a vital role, with many new and unusual lighting ROOM AT THE TOP is the name of the large sitting-bedroom suite at this year's hotel show exhibit of Room of Tomorrow. On these two pages views of the exhibit show pieces from InnMaster III line by Simmons, carpet by Commercial Carpet Corp., TV by Westinghouse, plus new colors, new furniture finishes, new conveniences.





IN DE LUXE Room At The Top suite wide bed has two upholstered benches at its foot. Below left, lady with an umbrella motif on white vinyl in bathroom. Bottom, automatic buffet range is a new convenience at snack bar.





ROOM OF TOMORROW

fixtures and effects specifically created for innumerable purposes.

Conveniences are plentiful. TV sets, room services panels, light control dials, refrigerator and bar units for ice cubes and snacks will help pamper guests. Tile painting, ceramic strips, bronze castings and casein paintings on masonite and wood panels are but a few of the decorative accessories.

In both rooms, Mr. Beal enhances the spacious and uncluttered look by coordinated color schemes. The compact Short Stop Room (only 10 by 12 feet) uses wood brown and gold tones, highlighted with splashes of brilliant colors and black. Multicolored striped sheer casement curtains and a vivid accent area rug give added interest to the small room.

Blue and green vinyl flooring and vinyl wallcovering in the foyer set the mood for the Room At The Top. These colors are carried through to the adjoining carpeted bedroom area. White-onyellow vinyl coated wallcovering and yellow upholstered chairs and screens keynote the living room area, harmonizing with rosewood vinyl flooring, vivid upholstery colors, and black finish on the specially designed furniture. (**C**)



THE SHORT STOP, designed for overnight guests, includes triple-purpose sofa-bed by Simmons, a wall covered in Parkwood's teak, and Lightolier Lytespan fixture.

SCHEDULE OF MATERIALS

Gilles A. Abriaux: tapestry and two paintings American Cyanamid Co.: resins Amtico Vinyl & Rubber Flooring: smooth-surface floor coverings and vinyl base Beemack Inc .: door hardware Bell Telephone System: telephones Bigelow Carpet Co .: area rugs Borg-Erickson: bathroom scales Carolina Mirror Corp .: mirrors Cohn-Hall-Marx: drapery, curtain, upholstery fabrics Commercial Carpet Co.: carpeting Crane Co.: bathroom, plumbing fixtures Decotone Products: printed papers for laminates Deering Milliken, Inc.: Milium insulation for draperies Deltox, Inc .: vinyl coated wallcovering Dominion Electric Corp.: 2-burner hot plate Eastman Chemical Products, Inc.: Verel modacrylic fiber Lightolier, Inc.: lamps and lighting fixtures Parkwood Laminates, Inc.: plastic laminates RCA Service Co .: TV sets and intercoms Seigler Heater Co .: gas infra-red room heater Simmons Co.: furniture Springer-Penguin, Inc.: refrigerator unit Harris G. Strong: ceramic art Sunbeam Corp.: coffee maker; electric blankets Superior Electric Co.: Luxtrol light dimming controls United States Rubber Co: Naugahyde and Naugaweave upholsteries; Koylon foam cushioning; Kem-Blo sponge rubber carpet backing Westinghouse Electric Corp.: Westinghouse Iron-A-Way Wil-Last Modular Doors, Inc.: doors (all Parkwood surfaced)



INGENIOUS WALL UNIT, above, combines luggage rack, "valet board" for hanging clothes, plus two-drawer storage section. Below, close-up of Room Span sofa-bed, designed by John Van Koert for Simmons.



NEW CONTRACT FURNITURE

The difference between furniture for commercial/ institutional use as against items designed for the home market emerges sharply in the accompanying picture report on recent contract furniture. While it is evident that the pieces shown here have been influenced by important new trends in the general furniture market, there is an enormous contrast in materials and basic construction techniques. The designer of contract furniture today aims at sophistication just as much as his colleague who creates for the residential market, but the demands of the contract installation in terms of wear and of maintenance costs weigh equally in his mind with those of esthetics. This has its consequences in both the look and the functional value of the final product.

1, 2, CRAMER POSTURE CHAIR Co., exclusive distributor for the Radial Office System manufactured by Canadian Office & School Furniture of Ontario, introduces a radically new concept for filing and storage based on the circle. Both secretarial desk and filing cabinet eliminate drawers. Storage areas revolve. Circle No. 254 on product information card.

3, SECURITY UPHOLSTERY Co. has fashioned a heavy duty chair with a sturdy metal and wood frame and covered in a durable yet supple expanded vinyl fabric by Columbus Coated Fabrics Co. Circle No. 255 on product information card.

4, METROPOLITAN FURNITURE CO.'s Contract C sofa features walnut and polished aluminum base, tufted wing back and seat, and is available in seven lengths with choice of cover. Circle No. 256 on product information card.

5, FIXTURES MFG. CORP. manufactures Astro, a self-molding chair made from polypropylene that forms to individual body shape, yet is tough, rugged, and has impact resistance. Circle No. 257 on product information card.

6, MYRTLE DESK Co. combines rosewood and burnished gold in the Coronado Classic executive desk. Solid parts, such as Italian chamfered legs and supporting rails, are genuine walnut. Circle No. 258 on product information card.

7, JOHN STUART INC. combines structural stability with a light appearance. The upholstered armchairs are cradled in bases made by laminating a slim aluminum sheet between two layers of solid Bangkok teak. The removable teak table fits firmly over arms. Circle No. 259 on product information card.







NEW CONTRACT FURNITURE

1. BAUMRITTER has added a stackingganging polypropylene chair to its Viko seating collection. The lightweight shells are almost indestructible, require no maintenance. The steel legs are fitted with rubber cushion glides to eliminate floor marring, and inconspicuous plastic buttons prevent scratching when stacked. Circle No. 204 on product information card.

2, STEELCASE, INC. couples a modular desk and filing cabinet from its 3000 series. The new filing cabinet features flush drawer fronts and a new latch that can be operated with only one finger, according to actual tests. Circle No. 260 on product information card.

3, ROYALMETAL CORP.'s new 330 series of lounge chairs and settees is constructed with one-inch square tubular steel, satin or mirror chrome finish, nosag seat and back. Upholstery is offered in a choice of Naugahyde or Super Tuf-Tex vinyl fabrics, and in several hardwearing woven fabrics. Circle No. 261 on product information card.

4, AMERICAN OF MARTINSVILLE supplied all guestroom furniture for the 2,000 rooms of the new Americana Hotel, New York City. More than 15,000 pieces were produced, each crafted to special designs by the hotel's architect Morris Lapidus. The new furniture incorporates many new applications of plastic laminates and vinyl fabrics. Circle No. 262 on product information card.

5, JOHN STUART'S Danish Craftsmen armchair has the added virtue of being stackable, while providing elegant simplicity, sturdiness, and comfort. The chair has Bangkok teak frame with upholstered seat and back. Circle No. 259 on product information card.

6, FRITZ HANSEN, INC., has added a comfortable foot stool and removable cushion to its well-known Egg chair, designed by Arne Jacobson. The chair is "baked" from a plastic material. The plastic is poured into a mold, heat applied, resulting in a strong and light body ready for upholstering and covering. Circle No. 213 on product information card.

7, MODERNIZE/DEAN INDUSTRIES' Sophisticate sofa, crafted for comfort and commercial service, uses frames of select hardwood, with full contract construction throughout. The reversible cushions are of foam rubber. Circle No. 263 on product information card.






















NEW CONTRACT FURNITURE

1, NATIONAL STORE FIXTURE Co. has designed new cast-iron pedestal bases offered in two sizes to accommodate all styles of National table tops up to 42 inches in diameter. A variety of finishes, including crackle and porcelain, is available. The new bases are style-coordinated with the upholstered side chairs. Circle No. 264 on product information card.

2, MCDONALD PRODUCTS CORP.'s new executive planter comes in any size or shape to complement contemporary room settings. The planter is available in black walnut or Formica with aluminum or brass metal urn. Circle No. 246 on product information card.

3, 4, ROBEY DEPT. of Drexel Enterprises has designed Triune, a classic group of new hotel-motel furniture, finished in mahogany with laminated plastic tops. Robey will introduce Triune at next month's National Hotel Exposition, where many items shown on this and preceding pages will be seen for the first time. Circle No. 215 on product information card.



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DESIGNS FOR DINING

IN ADDITION TO VICTUALS, ATMOSPHERE IS "SERVED" IN WALTER BALLARD SETTINGS CREATED FOR HOTEL SHOW

▶ REDICATED on the assumption that for a restaurant to succeed it must "serve" atmosphere as well as good food and drink, the 1962 edition of Designs for Dining will present a livelier than usual group of interiors at the National Hotel Exposition in New York next month. The annual "idea" exhibit, created by Walter M. Ballard Corp., consists of four rooms, ranging from exurban whimsical to Park Avenue solid, with a spectacular conversation piece in between.

Surrounded by a 12-foot decorative wall covered in U.S. Rubber's Naugahyde, Designs for Dining will be set up so that the visitor transverses the interiors in order named: Poinciana Patio, Executive Suite, Aqua Lounge, and Cafe Tiepolo. Poinciana Patio has the suburban housewife in mind; a spot to relax at the local shopping center with her children, or even better, without them. The Executive Suite is in sophisticated contrast, with the accent on affluent dignity. Suitable for private functions as well as business luncheons and gala sales-closing dinners, the suite permits several variations in the use of space. the device being an ingenious folding screen in resplendent topaz and crystal. Repeated reference is made in the room's design to foil and fencing motifs, and lighting fixtures, bar front, carpet, chinaware and glass bear variations on the crossed-swords theme. The Aqua Lounge is described as "an undersea mezzanine" in which the guest finds himself surrounded by twelve floor-to-ceiling columns, each containing more than four tons of water in which brilliantly illuminated tropical fish, air bubbles, and foliage divert the eye. In Cafe Tiepolo, a "name" restaurant ambience is sought after. Named after the Venetian painter of ceilings, the room sports a series of illuminated murals, crystal chandeliers, a tented fabric ceiling, hand-carved baroque dining chairs and settees, and a floor that imitates marble patterns of Venetian palazzi. (C)





XECUTIVE SUITE, opposite page and above, study in affluent dignity that uses variations a crossed-swords motif in elements throughout he room. Abacus-patterned carpet, above right, as designed especially for Executive Suite by ulistan.

AFE TIEPOLO, right and below, is jewel-box fair named after the Venetian painter of ceilugs and patterned after rooms in that city's aroque palaces.





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Through Robey Contract and Development Department, Drexel Enterprises now offers fine furniture for hotels, motels, offices, institutions. For its premiere, Robey proudly presents Triune[†]

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DESIGNS FOR DINING

POINCIANA PATIO, a watering-place for the suburban housewife, goes in for a certain amount of whimsey. Indooroutdoor setting is climaxed by artificial tree near bar with variety of foliage.



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THERE ARE COMPROMISES IN RECENT RESTAURANT DESIGN, BUT THERE ARE ALSO STRONG NEW IMAGINATIVE IMPULSES, PLUS A REFRESHING PREOCCUPATION WITH THE SITE AS PART OF THE DELIGHTS OF DINING. BY NORMAN KEIFETZ



N restaurant design, more than with most contract work, there is a watering-down process between creative ideas and their application to finished jobs. The reason, of course, is that designers and architects must deal with not one big client but thousands upon thousands of restaurant entrepreneurs, hotel and motel managements and other institutional patrons who may hold an unbending conception here, an inflexible idea there, and headlocks on budgets everywhere While restaurants make up a tremendous-more -a staggering contract market taken as a whole they break down into individual units, each with its own problems in planning, furnishing, and budgeting. The finished job is not always perfect in the eyes of the designer, but enough of the original creative plan resists client dilution. This hold the creators, is helping to free imagination further and to loosen the purse strings of future clients.

If designers will tell you that imagination has been uncorked in restaurant design, they will also admit (after enough prodding) that what comes out is often a cut-down version of the original plan. For the sake of example, and we are choosing this out of a possibility of hundreds, it is a fact that not very long ago an architectural firm won *Progressive Architecture's* Design Award for a restaurant project, which a jury of respected architects and an equally respected engineer felt was, as one juror expressed it, "something that gives the observer a compelling esthetic



THE STUFT SHIRT: Architects Ladd & Kelsey carried a Venetian theme through this new restaurant in Newport Beach, California, enriching it with wall-to-wall silk curtain, and huge custom chandeliers. The structure, built partly on land and partly on water, offers diners a commanding view of the marina locale.







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experience." The client can still not totally agree with the jury. The plans of the design awardwinning restaurant are still being revised under coercion, after being haggled over after almost four years. Names, of course, are being withheld for the sake of decorum. This is not an attempt to chide any one client, but rather a hope, at the risk of being considered naive, that the telling will release the client's grip and thus help begin a new vocabulary of imaginative expression in restaurant design.

Where there has been a reasonable "hands off" policy on the part of the client, new restaurants that are not only inviting dining spots but spatial experiences have resulted.

The newest of what might be termed "clientpermissive" restaurants are structurally progressive and unique and internally unusual. They are. in fact, creating such a sudden burst of dining interest they are beginning to set a trend. What is presently emerging is a restaurant that not only provides the diner with interior conversation pieces built into the decor, but external conversation pieces as well—a look at the landscape, the table with a view.

Architects have already exploited dining on

water, on the brow of a mountain slope, on revolving building tops, dining even while suspended in space. And in Xochimilco, Mexico, the hungry can eat under a "brutalist" expression, a form composed of radiating, parabolic, concrete shells, designed by Mexican architect Joaquin Alverez Ordoñez, under consultation with Felix Candela, the well-known structural innovator.

Nothing to do with imagination

But while the occasional innovator is allowed to take hold of the bit, many more restaurants are put up for all sorts of reasons that have nothing to do with imagination. They are a response to a demand like any other commercial product and it would be unfair, when discussing restaurants as a contract market, to discount the many restaurants designed by fourth-raters or those who know next to nothing about design. The simple fact, no matter how unhappy it may make qualified designers, is that all new restaurants add appreciably to the demand for contract furnishings, even if the finished project is the result of a total lack of interest in the visual outcome. Because most serious designers are convinced that the country's restaurant output that



"BRUTALIST" expression in Xochimilco, Mexico, is a domical form composed of radiating, parabolic shells, designed by Joaquin Ordoñez, under consultation with Felix Candela. Photographs by Jane Davis Doggert, Architectural Graphics Associates, Inc.

can be described as being impelled by imaginative force will eventually lead to a demand for better dining spots and an even bigger contract market, we will endeavor to pay attention to a sampling of these in this article.

Stuft Shirt a la Venice

Although the Stuft Shirt is the name of a new restaurant in Newport Beach, California, there is no pomposity about it, save the suggestion in the name. Actually, it is a significant contribution to restaurant design both inside and out. Architects Ladd & Kelsey carried a Venetian theme throughout the restaurant's decor, enriching it with silk curtained walls, with sparkling 7 foot diameter chandeliers hanging from the center of the restaurant's many domes. At capacity, the Stuft Shirt can accommodate three hundred people. Built partly on water and partly on land, its structure makes exciting use of reinforced concrete pilings which rise out of the water and stretch gracefully into quatrefoil arches capped with thin-shell concrete domes. The dining room is 16 feet above the water, providing diners with a broad view of the harbor with its large yachts moored at the site.

The restaurant is not without an uncostly interior, but when one considers this in terms of long-run maintenance it is not as expensive as very many less costly interiors. The carpet, for one, blends a balance of luxury and economy. By making use of dark colors and a big pattern, spillage and stains can remain hidden in the hues until the cleanup crew arrives. Designers, incidentally, will most often specify all-wool or predominantly wool carpets, since weaves of wool are said to hold a firmer shape longer, wear well, and generally have a better resistance to fire.

A strong and yet graceful effect is generated by the restaurant's chairs, upholstered in an easily cleanable material, patterned after wood grain. There is a string of tufted banquettes along one wall similarly upholstered. Small incandescent table lamps and the big custom chandeliers candle most of the light during evening dining. For luncheon, the restaurant relies on the abundant daylight which comes through the big windows. Structural overhangs and luxurious curtains filter out the glare, while good air conditioning is provided to cut down the heat gain from the direct sunlight. Fluorescent lighting, of course, is rarely used in restaurants, since the blues in the light







LA RONDE, a rotating restaurant by John Graham & Co., perched atop the Ala Moana Building in Honolulu, Hawaii. Interiors were done by Charles Heen, AID, for the contract division of C. S. Wo & Sons, Ltd. Mural is the work of Marilyn McLean.

GALLEON: Layout and decor follow the nautical theme. Interior, planned by Peter Rocchia, is furnished with pedestalbased, wood-topped tables, folding captain's chairs covered in olive green and orange Naugahyde, and an orange carpet.



have a way of playing havoc with the food on the table and for that matter, one's dining partner's face. Designers insist that fluorescent lighting can make a steak look frightening. Whenever possible they will specify dimmers for the incandescent fixtures. The use of natural daylight is gaining in popularity.

The revolving concept

Lighting in La Ronde, a restaurant perched atop the twenty-three story Ala Moana Building in Honolulu, Hawaii, was very carefully designed to provide enough illumination for eating and yet eliminate reflections in the glass that might detract from the view. The view of La Ronde was, in fact, the object whereby the owners hoped to win the attention of the diners. To accomplish this, they set John Graham & Co., architectural and engineering firm of Seattle and New York, to work on a restaurant that would offer the patron a new experience. The firm came up with a bold concept—a circular dining room that actually revolves a full circle once an hour, giving the diner a panoramic view of the city, Waikiki, Diamond Head, the mountains, and the sea. There were, of course, no rules to guide the planning of this concept, and each problem that arose had to be solved in a fresh way. The kitchen is divided into two sections with food storage and basic preparation on the floor below the dining level. Final preparation is done in the core of the restaurant itself which does not rotate. The decor contrasts red carpeting with black vinyl leather upholstering. A mural by Marilyn McLean, painted all the way around the core, is an interior conversation piece. The decor was designed and coordinated by Charles Heen, AID, for the contract division of C. S. Wo & Sons, Ltd.

Since La Ronde was opened a year ago, it has become a kind of communicable prototype for a rash of rotating restaurants in the round. Some observers are feeling a touch of anxiety that they may soon be caught up in a dining merry-goround that never stops.

As a tranquilizer, and to attract those diners who shy away from all things which remotely suggest vertigo, the owners of La Ronde operate a non-rotating restaurant three floors below, called Le Salon Rouge, a plush semi-private dining and cocktail area, and a short-order coffee shop on the third floor of the Ala Moana building, L'Omelette.

The Galleon, on the island of Alameda, near San Francisco, combines the new idioms of "in the round" dining with marina scenery. Architects Campbell & Wong of San Francisco made strong use of glass, steel, and redwood to effect the nautical theme which is carried out in both decor and layout. Inside the marina touch is emphasized with a triple-decked dining area, folding captain's chairs, bright orange carpeting, mahogany wall dividers, and many-colored banners hung on bars from the ceiling, symbolizing the sun, the moon, the oceans, and the seven seas. The Galleon's graphic art was the work of David Osborn and Charles Woods.

Specialty food rooms appear to have very definitely caught the diner's fancy. Restaurant entrepreneurs and hotel managements, who are quick to latch on to a good thing, are calling for more and more specialty restaurants each year. The demand, of course, is fattening the contract furnishings field. The Wing & Sabre, for example, is the new dining room in the Gunter Hotel, San Antonio, Texas, designed and created by Honigblums' contract division, Designs for Business. It features bright red carpeting and red chair seats, balanced by imported rosewood paneling that is accented by brass strips on the columns and corners. Three walls are covered in gold burlap. Pictures of period swordsmen and horsemen, emphasized by special lighting, adorn the walls.

A background for antiques

Authentic Irish dishes are served in Seattle's Dublin House, a new restaurant in Clark's chain, built in a very small space and located in the center of the city's Metropolitan district. The restaurant was literally created around rare antiques from Ireland, offering luncheon clientele and dinner crowds a glimpse of the way of life and design of the Regency Period.

Although essentially a high-style solution, the interior achieves a friendly and relaxed mood as well. Throughout, however, the aim has been to create the perfect background for the great variety of antiques, arts and crafts, expressly imported for Dublin House.

While only two specialty food rooms have been sketched in this article, one need only amplify this in terms of thousands of restaurants of this kind to grasp the meaning in dollars and cents to the contract furnishings field and to recognize that the specialty food room is a trend.

Sizable dollar allotments are also being spent on restaurant expansion, remodeling, and refurnishing. The Pen & Sword, for example, occupies



DUBLIN HOUSE was built around Regency antiques. Below, view of Wing & Sabre, designed by Honigblum's contract division.



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the space formerly used by the Veranda Room of Washington's Statler Hilton, a long time favorite among Washingtonians and hotel guests. So popular was the old restaurant that the hotel was continuously faced with the problem of turning away guests.

The problem facing the designer, Becker & Becker Associates, was not only to develop a new and different room which would result in making an already famous eating spot more in demand, but design a room so that it could accommodate at least 50% more guests within the same space alloted to the Veranda Room.

The first objective was resolved by evolving a unique design and method of preparing food (a large modern island kitchen which can be seen from every corner of the room). The latter, an even more difficult task, was accomplished by an ingenious arrangement of tables and chairs and the effective use of glass and wood panels, which ironically has resulted in a more spacious, airy and open looking room. The renovation, which took nine months to complete, costs \$100,000 plus.

A touch of Paris in Detroit

The second floor of Little Harry's in Detroit formerly used as the restaurant's office, has been completely reconstructed into the Impresario room, designed by Andre deGrohe. M. deGrohe had to work within a 120-year-old Georgian mansion, with a kind of Tour D' Argent type of *milieu*. The solution for the addition was Classic 18th Century French and Italian decor. The walls are white, accented with black and gold column *decoupage*, heightened with a gold and white *canapé* ceiling design. There are several original oils, historic portraits of the period, two original baroque, five foot high, wood-carved statues against the dividing grill screens and, finally, a mural after "The Forger of the Vulcan," which M. deGrohe acquired from Italy, along with the sculpture. The artwork alone could perhaps support the construction of a moderate new restaurant, to say nothing of the cost of reconstruction and redecorating.

Industry glamorizes

The red carpet treatment may not be given to industrial employees as yet, but the days of the company lunchroom with a scattering of old tables and chairs is fading fast. Foward-looking, progressive companies began, several years ago, accepting the responsibility for creating pleasant, relaxing surroundings for their employees.

Glamorization of institutional restaurants and cafeterias are very much a trend. according to Brock Arms, president of ISD, Inc., interior space design division of Perkins & Will, architects. "Many of our clients have transferred their operations to suburban areas," he said. "This had made it doubly important to plan facilities for employees to make the luncheon break as pleasant as possible. In the downtown office building,



IMPRESARIO ROOM in Little Harry's, Detroit, is a reconstruction of the restaurant's second floor offices, done in the style of Paris' Tour D' Argent. Sculpture and grillwork carry out the classic 18th Century French and Italian decor.



luncheon is a total break away from the office. With proper planning, the facilities within the company headquarters building can give the same psychological effect."

Two cases in point, both ISD, Inc. projects, are International Minerals & Chemical Corp. headquarters building and the Pure Oil Co. building, both of suburban Chicago.

At International Minerals & Chemical, the black and white corridor, surrounding the employees' lounge and repeating the colors of the exterior, leads past a wall of ebony to the food serving area of the cafeteria. As a repeat of the elevator lobby pattern, a striped design has been carried through. But in this case color has been used to diminish confusion and stimulate circulation in the food serving area. Soft grays and white punched with vivid stripes of cobalt blue were selected. The cafeteria, directly adjacent to the food serving area, has great splashes of color on a basically white scheme. While the total character of the room is one of softness, achieved by color and lighting, an accenting sparkle from two chandeliers representing atoms, plays on the walls.

At Pure Oil Co. pleasant dining is provided in the cafeteria with one wall almost completely glass, looking out on attractive open fields. Separating the cafeteria serving line from the dining area is a plastic sliding framed in walnut. Adding interest to the decor is the tile pattern of the draperies embedded in this plastic screen. Decorative beams of walnut, characteris-





TWO VIEWS of dining: Pen & Sword, designed by Becker & Becker, right and above, and the garden dining and entertaining facilities of International Minerals & Chemical Corp., created by Interior Space Designs, Inc., division of Perkins & Will, architects.









HOFBRAU HOUSE in Seattle's World's Fair is a low- cost contemporary vault structure, reminiscent of Bavarian Rathskellers. Building is bolted together and can be moved.

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tic of the complex, create a suburban flavor in the dining area. Giving contrast to this treatment are the sparkling off-white walls and ceilings with recessed lights.

Most companies aim at creating warm, relaxing atmospheres—a break from work—rather than high elegance and luxury, which psychologically has a way of detracting from work. Non-institutional cafeterias and coffee shops make use of strong rather than subtle lighting, since they are fast-service operations which have no wish to cater to delayed dining or psychological wellbeing of the patrons for that matter. But all cafeterias and coffee shops, whatever their operational intent, add to the demand for more and more contract materials and, in fact, make up a good chunk of the market.

With World's Fairs, Disneylands, Freedomlands, *et al.*, popping up all over the country, a kind of nomad restaurant might yet become the popular new form.

The Hofbrau Haus in Seattle's World's Fair, for example, was a challenging problem. It had to take advantage of every bit of usable space and still be inexpensive because of its short life (restaurants at fairs go with the fair). John Graham & Company solved the problem with a contemporary vault structure, reminiscent of Bavarian Rathskellers, that moves. The vaults of the building are made of thin shell plywood; since the building is bolted together, it can be moved and re-erected after the Fair closes, requiring only a new foundation. Textured plaster was used to finish the interior surface, decorated with authentic designs from Bavaria. Large glass areas offer a spectacular view of the fair's International Fountain. Entire cost went for under \$100,000.

Whether a restaurant costs under \$100,000 or over \$100,000, whether it is stationary or moves, there is one obvious and inescapable certainty: all are helping to fatten the Strasbourg Goose which, of course, is the contract market. Most concerned architects and designers are hoping that their clients will be more inclined to let them turn out a better grade of paté. (C) SOME CHAIRS JUST FILL SPACE TRI-PAR CHAIRS DO IT...





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The new Formal line by Peerless Steel Equipment Co. is characterized by I-shaped mirror-chrome legs and horizontal cross bars. Pedestals are 24 inches deep, adding to the slim modern effect of the units. The complete line includes a single pedestal executive modular desk with runoff; two and four unit credenzas; office table, and the double pedestal executive desk illustrated. All tops are natural wood self-edged and come in a wide range of natural wood finishes or plastic laminate coverings.

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New adjustable table by CHF

A new multi-purpose table, designed by Chicago Hardware Foundry Co., is instantly adjustable to any table height from 18 to 29 inches. This patented feature allows table to be converted from dining table to coffee table or cocktail table by a twirl of the top. The adjustable tops are supplied in a variety of finishes—wood grains, solid colors, or white. Tops are round or square, up to 48 inches in size. Pedestal bases come in a choice of finishes.

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Kent-Coffey's flexible hotel-motel units

The telescopic aspects of Kent-Coffey's Impresa Contract hotel-motel group permits adaptability to meet any space specifications by adding units as needed. The multi-purpose wall unit expands from a minimum of 90 inches to a maximum of 108 inches. So designed as to receive detachable luggage/TV benches, the Impresa can cover a wall space from 90 inches to 12 feet. By a mere switch of a special adjustable leg, the desk area can be either on the right or left side. The dresser desk is equally versatile: luggage benches can be added to either or both sides. The Impresa series is finished in warm fruitwood tones with a matched finish on the Panelyte plastic laminate tops and edge banded surfaces. The bases are coordinated in antique white. This extensive grouping includes panel headboards, nightstands, three sizes of dressers, mirrors, lounge and side chairs, dresser desks, luggage benches, and the multi-purpose wall unit.

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Kentile, Inc., has simulated natural marble in its vinyl travertine flooring material. The textured tile features subtle tone variations with the dimensional cavities of natural marble. The vinyl travertine has high resistance to wear, cleans easily, and never requires waxing. Six color styles include off-white, natural beige, Aventine red, old ivory, moss green, and forum gray. The new style is available in regular-edge tile of $\frac{1}{8}$ inch and 0.80 inch thickness, as well as beveled tile in $\frac{1}{8}$ inch thickness, and in standard and special tile sizes.

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FiliGrille room divider



The FiliGrille room divider is engineered for simple and economical installation and provides a decorative wall that is functional and easy to care for. Produced by Holcomb & Hoke Mfg. Co., the FiliGrille is fabricated of $\frac{3}{8}$ " thick polystyrene and comes in standard designs in a variety of complete framing systems. A wide choice of colors, both metallic or regular, makes painting unnecessary. It is available for use on exteriors as well as interiors.

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A six-shelf, slide-out stationery tray is the new feature in Bentson Mfg. Co.'s Signature secretarial desk, displayed at last month's NSOEA convention in Chicago. The contemporary styling of the modern steel desk is enhanced by the walnut and gold finish. Other groups shown included an executive modular group in mist green, two executive flat top desks with rolled and square edge tops, and filing cabinets.

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Hotel-motel units by Willett



Two hotel-motel groups by Consider H. Willett include the Attache, shown here, and the Oxmoor units. Contemporary-styled Attache is made in solid cherry with satin-finish plastic tops available in matching cherry grain or plain plastic. In contrast, the Oxmoor group is in the style of the 18th and 19th centuries, also supplied with wood grain plastic tops. Both groups have been constructed to meet the demands of contract use. All internal parts are of hard woods; cases have mortise and tenon construction with dust proofing throughout. Drawers are dove tailed front and back and have center drawer guides and drawer tilts with plastic glides.

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Compact refrigerator by King

King Refrigerator Corp. has a new compact refrigerator specifically designed for hotel-motel needs. Model AM-2 is small enough to fit under a vanity or ledge, yet contains three ice cube



trays, space for bottles, plus extra storage space. To prevent pilferage, shelves and trays are nonremovable. A special defrost device eliminates the need of periodic defrosting; the door is designed to close automatically when not in use. This model has been included as standard equipment in every room at the newly opened Americana Hotel in New York.

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Lees adds four new styles

Products presented by James Lees & Sons Co. at the recent Chicago markets included four new qualities and the addition of 23 color and pattern numbers. The new qualities include three with face yarns of selected wools and one continuous filament textured nylon tweed. Shown is one of the patterns, Textured Tiles, added to the Star-



fire series. Starfire carpets are made of virgin nylon face yarns in beige tones, accented with green and bittersweet.

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treet lamp reflector fixture



City Knickerbocker, Inc., has taken the early street lamp reflector and modernized it by using a melon-ball globe. The upper side of the reflector comes in colors to match room design; the underside and globe are in white.

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Belaire stacking chair



A new model stacking chair, the Belaire #700S, will be exhibited at the National Hotel Exposition n November by Bela Div., J. & J. Tool & Machine Co. The square tubular construction makes it possible to stack the chairs ten high in only 21/2 square feet of floor space. Foam cushioned seats and backs are upholstered in a choice of Naugahyde, nylon, or grospoint. The frame is of special alloy steel and comes in a choice of nine enameled colors plus chrome or gold bronze plating.

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Bedroom features luxurious new king-size Beautyrest® by Simmons, bed with mint green U.S. Naugahyde upholstered headboard and fold-down panels. InnMaster III dresser and luggage units designed by John Van Koert, A.I.D.

In this 1963 "Room of Tomorrow" Simmons presents new furniture that achieves a look of elegance for compelling guest appeal. There's utmost practicality here, too - versatile furniture units that serve in large or small areas - upholstery, fabrics and furniture construction that defy time and hard use. CFA

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1963 "Room of Tomorrow" designed by Roy F. Beal, F.A.I.D.; coordinated by Karl Steinhauser, A.I.D.

Living room suite sleeps two on Hide-A Bed® sofas. Conversation area include comfortable upholstered chairs and ele gant round table.

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Folding luggage rack



The Golden Traveller aluminum luggage rack is durable, lightweight, and able to support 400 pounds in weight, according to manufacturer Gasser Chair Co. It is available in five models, featuring various wall protection rails and sizes. Optional with plastic webbing or cloth strap webbing, the rack has a gold anodized aluminum tubular heavy-wall frame and folds for storage.

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Astra Bent mate's chair

Coordinated with a captain's chair, Astra Bent Wood Furniture's mate's chair is hand-crafted of solid hard rock northern maple, with deeply



saddled, hand-pegged seats and steam-bent backs. In addition to the captain's and mate's chairs with upholstered seat or back rail, both models come in all-wood, mellow hand-rubbed finish. Coverings for the upholstered chairs are durable, washable leather-like vinyl upholstery.

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Marbelon, a man-made marble



Standard Steel Cabinet Co. has developed a new cast process called Marbelon - a man-made marble said to be stronger and more resistant to stains than natural marble. Available in slab form, tile-size squares, or field squares, Marbelon tops can be used for table tops as well as for flooring tiles. Six standard color combinations include: beige and white, pink and white, black and white, black and gold, white and gold, white, gold and black. Standard thickness is 3/4, inches.

Circle No. 275 on product information card

New lateral Fabry chair



Specially designed for the new contract department of Fabry Associates, Inc., by designer Ed Secon, is the new lateral chair, made of 3/4" steel tubing. The frame appears to give the foamrubber upholstered part a floating appearance. The chair is offered in different versions, including box tufted, French pleated, Channel pleated, or plain upholstery. A companion loveseat is also available.

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Circle No. 277 on product information card

Pella wood folding partition

Rolscreen Co.'s Pella wood folding partition has been designed for installations requiring a substantial closure or divider to meet demands of



hard use and imposing architectural proportions. The $10\frac{3}{8}$ by 1-1/16 inch panels are constructed with solid wood cores, laminated with plastic glue to prevent warpage. The patented spring hinging system keeps panels aligned. Suspended from a steel track at the head, the partitions roll on ball bearings, requiring only one pound of pressure per panel to operate.

Circle No. 278 on product information card

Ten by Callaway Mills

Ten new carpet lines were recently presented by Callaway Mills, Inc., all emphasizing American themes; all are wool and of tufted construction, in 12 and 15 foot widths. Among the styles are Grand Canyon Suite, Evangeline, Folkways, and Hearthstone.

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Kroehler's companion chair

Specialty lighting by Yorkhaven

Yorkhaven Galleries, Inc., lighting designers, created special showroom exhibits and vignettes in conjunction with the fourth annual National Interior Design month, Sept. 18-Oct. 18. Two of the custom-designed lighting fixtures by Frances



Bershon were used in settings designed by Marion Florsheim. The ceiling fixture nestles four lamps in the flowers, with three lamps in the bowl for indirect and direct light through the frosted glass bottom.

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A companion to three new sofas recently introduced for contract use by Kroehler's contract division is a new lounge chair, covered in glovesoft, easily cleaned vinyl. For durability, the chair has five rows of springs in the seat deck, plus extra padding in its outside back and arms. Rounded wooden arm overlays are offered optionally to prevent elbow wear. In addition to the vinyl upholstery, the chair is available in a wide range of decorator fabrics.

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Circle No. 282 on product information card

Cast aluminum secretary chair



An all-aluminum frame has been incorporated into the design of a new secretary chair, with foam-filled back and seat, by Seaboard Products. The multi-adjustment chair tilts and swivels; the seat slides back and forth and can be raised and lowered. A spindle cover hides the threaded spindle. Budget-priced, the all-aluminum chair is available in a wide choice of colors.

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An 80-page, hard-cover catalog, printed on double weight enameled stock, presents the collection of Cumberland Furniture Corp. Illustrated in fullpage photos are more than 75 pieces, including seating, occasional tables, benches, desks, cabinets, conference tables. Price of catalog, \$4. A separate 64-page price list is included.

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Some pieces can be "personally designed" from the Erwin-Lambeth collection of upholstered sofas and chairs, by choosing from interchangeable arms, legs, and backs. The company has also evolved its own family of fabrics to include a collection of about 450, with broad coverage of textures, silks, and prints. Catalog available.

Circle No. 285 on product information card

Style & Security is the name of a new brochure by Yale & Towne Mfg. Co., which manufactures locks and hardware. The brochure also contains an interesting synopsis of the history of locks over the past 4,000 years, along with illustrations of some fascinating museum pieces. Circle No. 286 on product information card

Heavy-duty lamps and shades, designed and manufactured exclusively for hotels, motels, and institutions by McInniss & Co., are illustrated in the firm's loose-leaf catalog. Detailed information is included for the wall, ceiling, floor, or desk lamps and shades that come in a wide choice of styles, colors, and materials. Circle No. 222 on product information card

A new brochure by Geneva Casework, division of Acme Steel Co., illustrates its newly developed line of Impasto-finished steel casework, marking Geneva's entrance into the contract field. Circle No. 287 on product information card

Various functions and arrangements of the Omni modular component system are described and illustrated in a brochure distributed by the manufacturer, Structural Products, Inc. Circle No. 288 on product information card

John Scalia, Schmieg & Kotzian has issued a new catalog of its furniture collections, which include re-creations of famous pieces by the Brother Adam, Chippendale, Hepplewhite, Sheraton and others.

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The new Embassy collection of tables and chairs, designed specifically for contract use by Lee L. Woodard Sons, Inc., is illustrated in a newly issued brochure. The modular units may be attached to one another to meet specific space requirements by the use of attaching clamps. A specifications chart listing materials and sizes is also included.

Circle No. 214 on product information card

The Management 1800 Series of office furniture by Alma Desk Co. consists of conventional double pedestal desks and cabinets and modular components. Companion chairs and lounge seating are also shown in Company's new Catalog. Rounded corners on all tops, wood veneer and wood-grained plastic, are some of the engineering features of this series.

Circle No. 290 on product information card

New Castle Products, Inc., describes in its brochure an all-wood folding partition which weighs only two pounds per square foot and comes in heights up to 16 feet.

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A line of movable steel partitions in various colors is shown in Virginia Metal Products' catalog called Mobilwalls.

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The 1962 Fall collection of London Lamps is shown in a 4-page brochure illustrating 29 styles each accompanied by dimensions and full de scription.

Circle No. 239 on product information card

A six-page catalog containing complete specifi cations on the new Foldoor X12 line of 12-inch profile doors and partitions is available from Holcomb & Hoke Mfg. Co., Inc., manufacturers of a comprehensive line of folding doors and partitions.

Circle No. 267 on product information card

The Decibel and You is a brochure from Mod ern Partitions, Inc., describing how Hushwal partitions control office noise.

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Circle No. 295 on product information card

Cleveland-Detroit Corp.'s new brochure covers information on office partitions in birch, mahogany, walnut and oak.

Circle No. 296 on product information card

A revised and enlarged edition of the Knoll Furniture Guide has been issued by Knoll Associates, Inc. The 35-page brochure contains 84 photos, supplemented by scaled line drawings of individual pieces. Twelve pages are devoted to office furniture, with pieces shown individually and in office interiors.

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