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The Cover
Rendering of main offices, Episcopal Church Center, designed by Griswold, Heckel & Keiser, space planning firm whose methods are described in this issue. Cover by Bert Lester.

COMING IN CONTRACT

JULY—Two important articles on furniture design and designer’s compensation—one by Milo Baughman and the other by Lee Epstein, well-known design attorney. Hans Wegner—a retrospective exhibition.

AUGUST—Special report on Inn Keepers Supply Corp., the purchasing arm of Holiday Inns, which buys millions of dollars in contract furnishings for its parent firm as well as for competing motels, hotels, restaurants, rest homes, and other types of contract installations. In addition, the August issue will carry our Annual Product Review, plus a special section on lighting.
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The United States government has now extended indefinitely its policies of a moratorium on the purchase of new filing cabinets and reduction of expenditures for office furniture.

The latest Federal Property Management Regulations state that, "The acquisition of new items shall be limited to those requirements (of new furniture or typewriters) which are considered absolutely essential and shall not include upgrading to improve office decor, status, or to satisfy the desire for the latest design or expensive lines."

Each executive agency is to establish criteria for the use of office furniture, furnishings, and equipment. The use of executive type office furniture and furnishings shall be limited to personnel in Grade GS-15 and above, or their equivalent. But, in addition, each agency is to use other than executive type office furniture and furnishings available from General Services Administration Stores Stock or Federal Supply Schedules where items obtainable from those sources will adequately serve the required function or purpose.

However, this standard shall not apply to unitized or built-in furniture. In instances where lack of space is a problem, the use of unitized furniture, including conference desks, is more economical and is recommended as a substitute for executive type office furniture.

In another change, agencies are required to procure items from Federal Supply Schedules instead of procuring similar items from other sources when the Schedule items will serve the purpose. When an agency decides that Schedule items won't do, must submit a request for waiver of the requirement to GSA. The request must state the differences, quantity wanted, and why the Schedule item isn't satisfactory.

Also, before buying new furniture, agencies are encouraged to fill their needs as best they can through redistri-

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The General Accounting Office, known because of its bark (with less effective bite) as the Congressional watchdog, has just criticized a couple of cases of office furniture procurement.

In one instance, it claims the Labor Department could have avoided $1 million of its $1.5 million of office furniture buying in the fiscal years 1962 and 1963 by retaining, repairing, and reassigning basically serviceable furniture. This was due to inadequate centralized management control and lack of other records. The purchases were more than three times the amount budgeted.

GAO notes that reconditioning filing cabinets cost about $14 per unit, compared to average cost of $5 for new cabinets.

Another report opens prospects of a further clamp down in contract business—this time, with Federal contractors. In the specific case, GAO says that Lockheed Missiles & Space Co. has acquired desks, tables, and file cabinets of the type discussed in the report at a cost of over $2.5 million since 1956. If Lockheed had utilized GSA supply sources, about $1 million could have been saved on these items, GAO estimates.

And this does not cover all the items of furniture bought by the firm, almost all of whose work was for the Federal government on a cost-reimbursement type contract.

While existing regulations do provide for contractors' use of GSA supply sources for office furniture, Lockheed was not permitted the use of these sources because it is also performing a small amount of other work, and because the cost of such furniture is not charged directly to Government contracts but is charged through the contractor's overhead expense.

GSA has begun to change its rules. GAO wants the process to be made final. It also wants the Defense Department to seek review of existing contracts to make the necessary changes in contract provision. It also wants Defense to establish appropriate controls to make sure GSA furniture is utilized by defense contractors—unless they can get furniture of equal quality at the same or lower cost from the suppliers.

Lockheed objected to the use of GSA tables and desks because of their larger size. But GSA is developing a Federal specification for a 30-inch desk for use by Government agencies as well as by authorized Government contractors.

Census report on public furniture

Manufacturers in the Public Building Furniture Industry shipped products valued at $265 million in 1963, an increase of 27 percent over 1958, according to the 1963 Census of Manufactures. Value added by manufacture was $140 million, up 24 percent. Average employment increased 5 percent to 16,700.

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LETTERS

Designer Education article, April, brings many comments

Our April issue, which was devoted in large part to a Special Study on Designer Education, has elicited an unusual volume of comment in letters and phone calls, from educators, contract designers, and manufacturers. The tone of virtually every communication has been congratulatory. We were gratified to be told by several callers that the study on education was a "basic document" and that it would undoubtedly be a direct influence on curricula now being developed by design schools and universities to provide more rounded training for students entering the field of contract work. In fact, the Interior Design Educators Council, meeting in New York at the end of April, ordered 40 copies of the April issue and used it as a basic text in their discussion of a "model curriculum" which IDEC hopes to standardize in design schools and universities to provide more rounded training for students entering the field of contract work.

Dear Sir: The April issue of CONTRACT is one of the greatest single contributions made to the interior design profession in recent years. Lawrence Lerner's tremendous understanding of the whole profession, and his ability to be succinct, has packed into the framework of one article a flood of life-saving information for a heretofore jejune region of editorializing. It is an important mental stimulus to the practicing professional, as well as superlative constructive criticism for any college, university, or professional institution teaching interior design.

This whole issue directed toward education is a distinct sign of professional maturity. You have published a volume which will be treasured through the years. Once again we interior designers are beholden to CONTRACT.

ANDREW R. ARRICKSON
Manager, Furnishings Div. West Coast YMCA
San Francisco

Dear Sir: I want to congratulate you on the April issue of CONTRACT. I read the special study on designer education with enormous interest because of my close connections with Parsons. Both Lawrence Lerner's and John Anderson's articles are precisely to the point. I am forwarding my copy to several other interested people at Parsons for their study.

WILLIAM RAISER
Vice President
Raymond Loewy/William Smith Inc.
New York City

Dear Sir: I was very favorably impressed with your special study on designer education, especially the article by Lawrence Lerner. I think it is indeed important that students are made aware of the problems and issues raised. The lack of hard, real-life information for students to work with in school is a major failure in present design education.

The lack of emphasis on professional discipline and skills not only confounds the potential employer but causes this area of education to attract students of limited capacity and potential.

I hope this significant effort on your part will come to the attention of the appropriate people who formulate educational programs in this area and that you will continue in discussing the industry's basic problems.

R. L. FROST
Herman Miller Research Division
Ann Arbor, Mich.

Dear Sir: Congratulations. . . . We are pleased that a magazine is taking such serious interest in the problem of the future designers of interiors. As you discovered in your survey, all educators are in need of all the help they can get. Is it possible to start a separate forum column each month on this subject, which is of such interest to so many?

JAMES A. HOWELL
Chairman, Dept. of Interior Design
Parsons School of Design
New York City

Dear Sir: The members of our design staff found the articles on your educational problem study very informative and pertinent to our office. We feel it would be of value for each of us to have copies to which we can refer during our leisure time, without the necessity of having to remove our office copy.

We would like to take this opportunity to commend your staff on the concern, time, and effort that is making your magazine so noteworthy. Need-

less to say, we are finding that our contemporaries in the field are beginning to be conscious of your publication and eagerly await more of the same type of material that has been appearing.

BRENDA KIRK
Stanley Biffer Associates
New York City

Dear Sir: Your special study of educational problems for interior designers is certainly a pioneering and provocative project by any publication. The presentation should create the stimulus for greater thought and action for interior design schools.

WILLIAM T. WEBB
Nessen Lamp
New York City

Dear Sir: A great April issue. . . .

CHALTON BROWNSTONE
Directional Contract Furniture Co.
New York City

Dear Sir: Your issue devoted to Design Education was an excellent presentation on a difficult subject. Even though I disagree with a number of points made, I completely respect Mr. Lerner's and Mr. Anderson's right to state their views.

The authors have done a most thorough job of research and present their findings and conclusions in a forthright, objective, and literate manner. I hope that this was the auspicious beginning of CONTRACT's continuing interest in design education.

ARNOLD FRIEDER
Associate Professor
Department of Design
Pratt Institute
Brooklyn, N.

CONTRACT recognizes that a discussion of education of any sort cannot be followed up periodically; in fact, Education—If in this issue already presents a different point of view. Again, we welcome comments from interior professionals in education, design, a industry.—Ed.
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NASHAR/OSBORNE & ASSOCIATES, Canfield, Ohio, has expanded its architectural delineating and modeling facilities to include a larger full-time staff and photographic services, offering complete presentations for architects and designers.

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W. R. Jonason has been appointed vice president and a member of the board of directors at Design Planning, Inc. of San Francisco.
Sidney Schwartz was appointed marketing consultant to Furniture, Inc., the contract division of Williams Furniture Corp.
James A. Brennan, previously with the contract sales division at the New York office of James Seeman Studios, Inc., has been appointed contract sales representative for the firm on the west coast. Mr. Brennan will headquarter at the Los Angeles office and will represent all of the Seeman divisions, including Murals & Wallcoverings, Inc., and Arts & Architecture, Inc.
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CONTRACT BUSINESS: NOTES & COMMENTS

Inn Keepers Supply to be featured in August issue

How Holiday Inns and its contract furnishing subsidiary, Inn Keepers Supply Co., grew to their dominant position in the motel field will be the subject of an unusually interesting business story in the August, 1965 issue of CONTRACT. As Ben Hellman, publisher of CONTRACT, found out when he went to Memphis last month, there's a tremendous amount of business know-how in the Holiday Inns organization, plus plenty of surprises (we'll reveal them in our August feature).

Extending a cordial welcome to Mr. Hellman at the Memphis headquarters is Clyde H. Dixon, president of Inn Keepers Supply Co.

A grand opening (?)

The problems involved in constructing and furnishing a new hotel are always staggering; the problems facing the first wave of guests are sometimes shattering—at least it turned out that way when conventioneers of the American Society of Newspaper Editors converged on the spanking new Washington Hilton last month. Syndicated newspaper columnist Norton Mockridge, in his inimitable mocking manner, struck out at the "instant and continuing chaos" that left the visiting editors, if not speechless, occasionally bedless, checkless, and eggless.

Mockridge relates, "the waiter pounded on his door, woke him up and angrily demanded a signature. 'What's the matter with you anyway?' the waiter yelled. 'From now on, you won't get any more service!'"

And still another incident, involving Mockridge himself. "I waited 45 minutes after I gave my order in the Four Oaks room one morning. Finally I saw a waiter wandering around with a covered dish on a tray. I called the captain and said I thought he might be carrying the fried eggs I had ordered. "Impossible!" said the captain. 'We never, NEVER serve fried eggs in a covered dish like this!' He then lifted the cover—and there were my fried eggs."

But enough of the service problems. Here's Mockridge knocking the hotel itself:

"In many of the rooms only half of the electric outlets are connected to anything, heavy mirrors above bureaus and dressing tables often pull their plugs from the walls and crash to the floor, hot air pours out of many of the air conditioners, sunlight floods through the thin draperies lined with something like cheesecloth, the Venetian blinds in many rooms can be lowered only half way, and the amplification system has more bugs in it than a June night."

"The layout of the hotel is exasperating, too. There's only one bank of elevators and anybody whose suite is at the end of a corridor has to walk about 225 steps from door to elevator. And one editor, sick of walking 'a solid mile' for the elevator, went about 20 minutes wait, a bellboy appeared and escorted the editor to the room. 'It isn't made up yet,' said the boy, opening the door. The editor walked in and stared in amazement. The room not only wasn't made up—it didn't have any furniture in it!"

And another incident, involving an editor who waited 25 minutes for his dinner check. Late for a meeting, he finally gave his name and room number to the cashier, offering to sign the check if and when the waiter could be found. "At 1:15 the next morning," Mockridge relates, "the waiter pounded on his door, woke him up and angrily demanded a signature. 'What's the matter with you anyway?' the waiter yelled. 'From now on, you won't get any more service!'

Not to be outdone, the Sheraton-Boston, whose preview we attended late in April (see page 56), has 10 rooms "out of order" and the confusion has been so rife since the opening that management is not even trying to put them in operation. For a very simple reason—the hotel guest rooms and public areas have been booked solid since the opening, and the operators don't have the staff to service those hundred rooms.

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**IDSA holds first session**

Industrial Designers Society of America celebrated the formation of the single industrial design society in this country at a banquet April 30 at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City. The Society (formerly ASID/IDI) was formed through the merger of the Industrial Designers Institute and the American Society of Industrial Designers earlier this year. John Vassos, chairman of the board, and Henry Dreyfuss, president, presided at the meeting, at which the Society presented its Award of Excellence to Dr. Constantinos A. Doxiadis, Greek architect and city planner. IDSA recently established its national headquarters at 60 West 55 Street, New York City.

**New assignments . . .**

Wells M. Squier, industrial-interior designer of Ft. Lauderdale by the Sea, has been commissioned to design the exteriors of three shops in the Las Olas Boulevard area of Ft. Lauderdale including a bakery, a gourmet gift shop, and a real estate office. . . .

Chambers Co., Baltimore, has been selected as interior design consultant by the University of Delaware for two new dormitory complexes, one to be completed in the fall of 1965, the other year later. Chambers is collaborating with the architects of both buildings, Howell, Lewis & Shay, and Geddes Brecher, Qualls, & Cunningham. Other new commissions by Chambers are the administrative building of Noxem Chemical Co., Cockeysville, Md, Lowndes Bank in Clarksburg, W. Va; two branch banks of Equitable Trust Co., Baltimore. . . . On the boards are Saphier, Lerner, Schindler, projects in New York headquarters and branch locations include: For Hess Oil Co., interior planning of about 80,000 square feet for a new office building under construction in Woodbridge, N. J. . . . Management Assistance Inc., 40,000 square feet on five floors at 820 Second Avenue, New York City, to include planning and design of executive offices and a large data processing center. In Chicago—American Bakeries Co., 31,000 square feet in 10 South Riverside Plaza, the main building of Tishman's huge Gateway Center now under construction for which SLS will plan all tenant spaces. In Boston—SLS is providing planning services for the new One Center Plaza Building, 500,000 square foot structure being built by Beacon Construction Co. . . .

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THE SHERATON-BOSTON

An integral part of Boston's huge urban redevelopment and Boston's first new major hotel in fifty years, it was expressly designed to accommodate major conventions, meetings and conferences.

By Roland Wm. Jutras, designer, public areas, Sheraton-Boston

To understand the design approach to the Sheraton-Boston, it should be thought of as an integral part of the Prudential Center. The latter development is a huge urban renewal project, being built at an estimated cost of $100 million. It comprises a 54-story office tower, an auditorium, three high-rise apartment buildings now under construction, retail stores, a bank, underground parking for 3,000 cars, and finally, the 29-story Sheraton-Boston Hotel, the first major hotel to be built in Boston in 50 years. The Center itself is at a hub of travel occupying the former railroad yards which used to sprawl in the heart of the city. The principal highway, the Massachusetts Turnpike, runs directly through the project, bisecting it, and connects with highways leading to Connecticut and New York.

Essentially and primarily a convention hotel, the Sheraton-Boston is on a scale commensurate with the huge dimensions of the Prudential Center. With 1,000 guestrooms and suites, very extensive public areas, a registration lobby in the garage below the hotel for guests who arrive by car, a main lobby, and a separate Towers lobby for the top four luxury floors of the hotel, plus function rooms and ballrooms of all types, it is ideally suited for conventions. In fact, its design and planning as an ingredient of the Center has been to a large extent determined by the community of Boston's effort to attract major conventions and conferences.

The public rooms not only provide for social events, but are oriented, in many cases, toward business meetings. The auditorium, for example, is equipped with a translation room, with provisions for simultaneous translation of speeches into 16 languages. The control room has a commanding view of the auditorium through one-way mirrors, and both auditorium and main ballroom are completely equipped for professional movie and slide projection, sound control, complete dimmer system for a lighting, plus closed-circuit TV. There is also a direct internal entrance into the municipal auditorium which is adjacent to the hotel.

For entertainment and dining, there are three large ballrooms, the Kon-Tiki restaurant, the Fa staff restaurant, the El Diablo bar, the Persia lounge, the Pavilion coffee shop, the Mermaid bar, an outdoor bar-lounge adjacent to the swimming pool, plus many large corridors and promenades that are ideal for major functions.

These facilities, plus the Turnpike access and parking make the Sheraton-Boston a unique convention facility in the New England area. Traditionally, Boston has not been a convention town, but with the advent of the municipal auditorium, the Prudential Center, and the Sheraton-Boston Hotel, the picture has changed radically. Already, the winds of change are stirring new life in Boston; the hotel which opened late in April, has advance convention bookings of more than $14 million, plus tentative bookings for another $20 million. This is more than double the forecast that was prepared prior to the opening.

First step: program for the project

In planning any contract project, large or small, the key is what we call the program. This is the basic plan that will determine the character of the finished building, the types of facilities to be provided, the orientation of spaces, and the ultimate appearance of the interiors. The ingredients of the program are many, starting with the architectural budget and including the interior furnishings budget, the operating philosophy of the hotel owner, the relationship of the building to both its immediate site and the...
MAIN LOBBY, in shades of burnt orange with black-and-white accents, conveniently locates stairway to ballroom level, registration desk beyond, and elevator foyer a few steps away. Under the main stair sits a mosaic tile reflecting pool, with fountains, plantings, and a 14-foot-high bronze sculpture by Richard Filipowski.

PAVILION COFFEE SHOP serves guests informally during day; at dinner, with lighting dimmed, a more formal atmosphere prevails. By means of dividers, the room is sectioned into four distinct areas: counter, main table seating, espresso, and glassed-in pavilion. Blues, greens, turquoise, against matched fitch rosewood paneling, set the color motif throughout.
surrounding area, a source of both business and competition for the new unit.

I have often been asked, how do you approach a property of this size, and where do you get the basic ideas for the interiors. This is not as isolated and subjective an activity as many people think. Unfortunately, the days of the patron are no longer with us, and the creative designer today must rely on the businessman for his livelihood. The businessman’s interest is primary, and that is to make as great a return as possible on his investment. A well designed and operated hotel in an urban area can realize as high, or higher, a return than any other property that could be built on the site. With the inflated costs of urban property, the investor invariably attempts to develop the type of building that will give him a maximum return, and a hotel is often the result. Although the return on investments from a hotel can be maximum on a given location, the risks are also high. An improperly designed hotel which is costly to maintain and operate, or a poorly managed one, can spell financial disaster.

To minimize these risks, a group of specialists has evolved in the past five years, a team that confers and compares programs to cover every facet of planning, furnishing, and administration. As designers, we work with the architects of the building, with food-and-beverage specialists, lighting consultants, plus a multiplicity of contractors, suppliers, and subcontractors. The first goal of the designer in collaborating with this team is to create a profitable facility. With ten years of realistic experience behind us, we are guided not by our own individual tastes, but by an empirical analysis of the public taste. We strive to create a series of individual and unique atmospheres that will entice the public, and, hopefully, entertain and divert it. The appeal must be to a broad cross-section of the public, not the upper layer of cognoscenti. If this appeal is successfully carried out and is supported by good food and service, the hotel will be a financial success.

**Specifications sheets**

One of the basic and most time-consuming activities in the design of a hotel of this size is the writing of specifications, the design details of the individual furnishings items, and the activities of procurement. We have developed a unique method of specifications which employs an individual specification sheet for each item of furnishings. There are more than 5,000 separate specifications sheets for the public space areas, organized into categories and by area so that immediate access to individual items is possible. Each sheet is completely self-contained and carries the name and address of the manufacturer, the individual specification, shipping instructions, related data as to fabrics or vinyls which will be received from a different source, quantities, and preliminary budget totals, and final purchasing prices. The duplication of budget and final prices allows for a continuing adjustment of total budget as the buy-out proceeds.

A unique aspect in the furnishings of this hotel is that better than 60 percent of the furnishings, including carpeting, furniture, lamps, fixtures, fabrics, decorative items, etc., were individually designed and sent out for competitive bid. This is an extremely laborious activity, but its advantages are obvious. There are no limitations on the specific size, detailing, or finishes on any piece, and in a competitive bidding situation there are decided price advantages. It is possible to custom-tailor each item of furnishings to the individual area. In order for this total specifications list to be purchased, a close relationship with Sheraton’s purchasing subsidiary, Standard Wholesale, was essential. On competitive bid items it was necessary for the designers to approve shop drawings, finished samples, etc., and frequently to make design changes and substitutions to hold to the individual approval budgets.

**Specialty restaurants—from Continental to Kon-Tiki**

The design approach to the restaurants is to create interiors that will relate directly to a food merchandising program, and will result in an atmosphere that provides excitement and entertainment as well as the expected good food and service. It has been said that this is the age of the specialty restaurant and the five restaurants in the Sheraton-Boston Hotel are certainly no exception. Each area, from the coffee shop to the Kon-Tiki Ports, has been designed with the intention of creating an individual atmosphere, related in name, interior design, and food presentation to a prescribed theme.

The Pavilion coffee shop is actually four room in one. The treatment is somewhat different than that of the standard hotel coffee shop, inasmuch as the room provides more than a fast service activity and is open for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and late supper. The Pavilion divides into four areas—counter, main table seating (which may be further subdivided), espresso, and connected to the main area a glassed-in pavilion which in the summertime provides outdoor dining. In the late evening, the floor-to-ceiling divider screens are closed off, and the espresso counter area is opened for late supper. At dinner, the tables are set with cloth table scarves and lighting is dimmed to create a more formal restaurant atmosphere. This allows an up-grading in the menu and results in a higher check average that would normally be experienced.

The Falstaff room, traditional with Sheraton, is an elegant version of an English tavern. The men features roast beef, carved at a serving counter in full view of the dining public. Seating arrangement are comprised of armchairs, banquets, and sofas. The room is visually divided by means of floor-to-ceiling turned wood divider screens, which allow...
PUBLIC AREAS, designed by Roland Wm. Jutras Associates, display opulence usually reserved for luxury suites, as evidenced in this trio (top to bottom): Towers lobby; sitting room off main entrance lobby; typical elevator foyer. Towers lobby, with its own private registration desk and two high-speed elevators, services only the top four floors. The Towers, devoted exclusively to luxury rooms and suites. Specially designed by Jutras, the carpet is toned in olive green with accents of off-white, red-orange, and black. A variation of the same carpet theme was planned around the decorative fountain in paneled room off main lobby. Dominant decorative element in elevator foyers are custom-designed, five-panel acrylic screens, painted on reverse side in golds with black outlines, filled with plastic chips, and dramatically backlit.

PERSIAN LOUNGE entrance (below) previews design motif inside the specialty cocktail lounge, which features Near Eastern drinks and waitresses in harem costumes. The entrance doors are composed of rosewood frames with wood grille panel insets.
GUESTROOMS, designed by Mary Morrison Kennedy, AIA, AID, vice president of decorating, design, and architecture of Sheraton Corp., range from traditional to contemporary motifs. Each room has an air of individuality, quite an accomplishment considering that the 29-story Sheraton houses 1,012 rooms and suites. Even where similar furnishings are used, as in the two suite living rooms, enough variation exists in color scheme, window treatment, and wallcovering to avoid a mirror-image likeness.

PRESIDENTIAL SUITE (opposite), on the 29th floor, is the epitome of Sheraton elegance. Two soft murals in the living room set the color pattern in soft shades of aqua, gold, green, and silver. Elegant furnishings include antique pieces, custom-designed wallcoverings, luxurious brocade, damask, antique-satin fabrics.
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SPECIALTY RESTAURANTS and lounges reflect the close working and planning programs established by the food-and-service specialists and the Jutras office creating a series of settings that relate name, decor, and food to a prescribed theme. Among them are the plush Cafe Riviera, and (top to bottom) Mermaid Bar, El Diablo Lounge, Persian Lounge, and Falstaff Room. An element common to most is flexibility to accommodate groups of varying sizes, primarily by means of dividers. The Cafe Riviera, for instance, is composed of seven dining areas, separated by turned wood dividers. Decorative screens in other rooms section individual areas, as in El Diablo and Persian Lounge.
for privacy and break up the monotony of a large space.

The Cafe Riviera, another specialty restaurant, features French seafood and has a decided eighteenth century Provençal French atmosphere. In line with our principle of dividing open restaurant space, this room has seven dining niches, separated from one another by means of floor-to-ceiling turned-wood dividers. The center of the space has a lowered ceiling trellis that defines the seating areas and two brick lobster pools beneath it. The floor area under the trellis is of Provence tile, whereas the remaining areas are carpeted. A small recessed area near the entrance contains the bandstand with individual dimmer control lighting, and the area directly in front of this has a removable carpet over a wood block dance floor. All chairs, banquette frames, sideboards, dividing screens, and service stations are in antique white wood, contrasting with the natural textures of the wormy chestnut on walls and the antique brick. The attempt here is to recreate a romantic atmosphere of the past in terms of today's materials and with a contemporary feeling in the details.

The El Diablo men's bar is located on the function room level of the hotel and primarily services the function rooms and the auditorium. This is a men's bar with a Spanish motif, decidedly masculine in character. A series of individual bars, linked together, span one entire wall of the room and can accommodate 24 persons. At peak periods, the bar stools are removed and the entire area is used for stand-up traffic. Opposite the bar are three individual lounge areas with deep-tufted leather banquettes. Here again, this room must work for small as well as sizable groups when a major convention convenes; upwards of 200 men can occupy the bar at one time.

The room specializes in Spanish liqueurs and brandies and features a flaming Cafe Diablo. The name of the room, the design theme, and the drink specialties all act together to provide a strong atmosphere.

**Specialized light motifs**

A special note on the lighting in the hotel: this is one of the most complete public space lighting installations that has ever been done. Practically all the lighting is individually dimmer controlled, and in the case of the restaurants and bars, a remote electronic dimmer system has been installed. For example, the dimmer panels in the restaurant are individually adjusted and locked on three separate levels. One for breakfast, one for lunch, and one for dinner. The maitre d' of the room needs only push a single button to adjust all of the room lighting, with the pre-arranged dimmer setting, and no individual adjustment is required. This assures that at all times the ideal balance is maintained in all of the light without the benefit of the house engineer or the constant readjusting of ten to fifteen dimmer controls.

Another factor in the lighting of the public spaces is the elaborate color filter schedule. Many of the down-lights, directional lights, and wall wash have individual color filters which have been specially developed to relate to the color schemes in the room. In all, there are some forty different color choices in the filter schedule. Many of these were developed specially for installation from individual samples of upholstery, wall coverings, and carpets. The result is a subtle toning of the existing colors rather than a one-color wash of color. Seymour Evans, of Seymour Evans Associates, who has worked with us on many of our major hotel projects, was lighting consultant for the Sheraton-Boston Hotel. (C)

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**SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIERS**

- **Project**: Sheraton-Boston Hotel
- **Operator**: Sheraton Hotel Corp.
- **Architect**: Charles Luckman Associates
- **Interior Designer, All Public Space Areas**: Roland Wm. Jutras Associates Inc., Roland Wm. Jutras, Frank Nicholson, Partner
- **Interior Designer, Guestrooms**: Mary M. Kennedy, Sheraton Corp.
- **Lighting Consultant**: Seymour Evans Associates

- **Luca Arkin Lamps**: lamps
- **Artes de Mexico**: furniture, chandeliers
- **Athol Mfg. Co., Plymouth Cordage Ind.**: vinyls
- **Barwick Mills, Inc.**: carpeting
- **Beal Design Studio**: head divides
- **Beemak, Inc.**: lighting fixtures
- **Lee Behren Silks, Inc.**: fabrics
- **B. Berger Co.**: fabrics
- **Berkshire Hathaway**: fabrics
- **Biegeuw Carpet Co.**: carpeting
- **Birmingham Virginia Slate Corp.**: table tops
- **Brooks Skinner**: chandeliers, door pulls
- **Carolina Mirror Co.**: mirrors
- **Central Shippee**: Hushalon felt wall coverings
- **Chapman Lamp Co.**: lamps & lighting
- **Charak Furniture Co.**: furniture
- **Charlotte Chair Co.**: dining chairs
- **Chicago Hardware Foundry Co.**: counter stools
- **Clarence House**: upholstery fabrics
- **Clavos, Inc.**: hardware
- **Cohn-Hali-Marx**: fabrics
- **Copley Upholstery Co.**: chairs, sofas
- **Creative Looms Inc.**: fabrics
- **Croyden Fabrics**: fabrics
- **Crystal Mart, Inc.**: lamps
- **Frank B. Curry Co.**: banquettes, counters
- **Dante Metal Co.**: chairs
- **Dazian's**: fabrics
- **Decorative Fabrics Inc.**: fabrics
- **Pine De Luca, Inc.**: decorative wall plaques
- **Del Aubin Construction Co.**: paneled doors, draperies
- **Del Aubin Ornamental Co.**: draperies
- **Del Aubin Construction Co.**: table bases
- **Draperie Moms Inc.**: draperies
- **Danbar Furniture Co.**: upholstered furniture
- **Elite Co. Inc.**: lamps & fixtures
- **Florentine Craftsman, Inc.**: sculpture
- **General Drapery Co.**: draperies
- **Globe Lighting Co.**: lighting fixtures, chandeliers
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Involved can be proper location, adequate area allocations, coordination of departmental functions, design and decoration (combining esthetic appeal with a "statement" that uniquely reflects the client's image), and budgeting of funds to provide the optimum solution to the client's problems within his cost range.

One firm specializing in space planning and office interior design has utilized its experience in the field to develop an account-manager system to cope with these complexities.

Griswold, Heckel & Keiser Associates, a New York-based firm, makes an account manager responsible for the multiple components of each assignment from inception to completion. He determines what assistance he will need from the various service departments, such as production, planning, field supervision, design and decoration; he directs and coordinates the project each stage of development; and he maintains continuous liaison with the client. With his up-to-date knowledge of the details of the job, he can prevent problems from arising and direct operations to a successful conclusion.

"The most important result of this way of doing things," according to GHK president Robert A. Heckel, "is the individual approach style of the account manager which prevails on each job. It reduces the tendency toward formity of style and design for every client, avoids an assembly-line approach. Delegating this authority to individuals elicits greater creativity and utilizes the combined skills and background of our people."

Taking no position on any particular style, GHK prefers the account manager and the client to work out the problem of design together. It can mean utilizing the client's existing equipment when feasible, redesigning and redecorating a single office—or it can mean the finding of new space for a complex organization and the arrangement of everything from lease negotiations to supplying sharpened pencils for a new office. On one occasion, GHK built a complete decorating scheme around the coordination of a client's collection of antiques and memorabilia to reflect and enhance their business, marine insurance.

GHK has also designed specialized showrooms from information centers to computer exhibit coordinated ten floors of the headquarters offices of the Episcopal Church Center in New York City; replanned the facilities of CIT nancial Corp.; and as part of an overall program converted an unwieldy office building area into a theater accommodating 140 persons, fully equipped with a stage, motion picture screen, facilities permitting presentation of all types of demonstrations.

The firm's services begin with a complete analysis of the client's existing space to determine inadequacies and future area requirements. In some cases, after such a survey...
found that the client would be best served remaining in his original building. Many times immaterial and psychological factors are important determinants. Some firms identify themselves with an address of long standing, which comes part of the company's "image"; proximity of transportation for executives and availability of high-caliber personnel can be other factors; while in some instances an offer by the owner of the building to install extensive improvements may induce the client to remain. GHK then suggests the changes that will enable the client to make the best use of its present facilities.

Should the results of the analysis dictate a move, GHK then provides a study which outlines the size, shape, and type of space required by the client's organizational units and establishes a sound basis for making a decision on buildings under consideration. The client receives advice on the specific qualifications of the proposed building, including an evaluation of building plans and suggested materials and facilities, as well as assistance with lease negotiations.

Underwood Showroom: GHK designed not only the showroom itself (opposite page shows the street level interior) but also the façade and the casing and components of Underwood's newest computer, Elecom 125. Special area displays included those for the firm's typewriters, office machines, and computing units. Contemporary colors and greenery enliven the crisp, businesslike atmosphere.
ATLANTIC COMPANIES: For this 118-year-old group of marine insurance firms, Griswold, Heckel & Kelser devoted two handsome rooms for a collection of nautical memorabilia and rare pieces of Victorian furniture owned by the firm. The Mary Celeste Room, named after the mystery ship found adrift and abandoned in mid-ocean in 1872, is a replica of a marine underwriting office of old. In the Mary Celeste Disaster Library, GHK used a Victorian horsehair sofa and chairs owned by Atlantic for more than a century to furnish the furnishings of the company's archives. A series of slender columns divides the two rooms from other areas occupied by the company. A theater (opposite page) for the Broughs Adding Machine Co. posed special problems: a long and narrow room with an unusually low ceiling. By using a folded concrete design on the ceiling and graduated shades of blue on the seating units, the theater was given an illusion of depth.

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"Field supervision," remarks Mr. Heckel, "is most essential for the achievement of good detail and workmanship in any project. GHK field representatives check fulfillment of specifications with contractors to guard against costly time lags, oversee the moving and placement of office equipment according to prepared plans in order to make the move as expeditious and economical as possible. After the move, they check the functioning of the various departments and equipment, even to the fulfillment of the maintenance contract."

Today, this relatively young firm, formed in 1955, employs fifty people and is still growing. Many of its clients headquartered in New York have branch offices across the country, so it's not unusual to find GHK account managers at work in Boston, Washington and Chicago, among major cities.

The scope of the firm's operations also has expanded, encompassing the entire range of space utilization. A recent assignment for the New York headquarters of the Burroughs Corporation indicates some of the "unusual" problems that have become daily fare at GHK.
ACCOUNT MANAGER SYSTEM

The program for this electronic data equipment firm included total design of a computer showroom (with special power supplies and flooring to contain and conceal outlets), supplementary air-conditioning, a private elevator system for freight handling and a second system for customers only, and a unique theatre for the presentation of Burrough's products.

The room to be converted into the theatre presented a special challenge. It was long and narrow, with an unusually low ceiling, so that the level floor could not be ramped for better viewing by the 140 persons in the audience. GHK solved the problem by using a folded concrete design for the ceiling which gave an illusion of depth because of the recessed areas. The lack of a ramp sloping down to the stage was overcome by spacing individual upholstered pedestal chairs in a staggered position; and the long, narrow view from the stage was alleviated by graduating the shades of the blue upholstery material of the seats from very dark in front to very light toward the rear, thus broadening the perspective with the lightening of color.

Paradoxically, as often happens with young fast-growing firms, growth creates new problems, and in this case the account manager find themselves handling a greater burden of technical detail and responsibility for services as the firm takes on larger and larger jobs. Current work involves such projects as Sterling Drug, Inc., Corporation Trust Co., National Lea Co., United Fruit Co., the Putnam Trust Fund and the First National Bank of Boston.

To maintain the successful operation of its account manager system, GHK is now developing a back-up which will give the account manager an even faster and more flexible access to the component services required by the client. Concludes Mr. Heckel: "Our chief product is service—and we are continually researching means to expand its effectiveness."

BURROUGHS ADDING MACHINE CO.: In planning the computer showroom for Burroughs (above), the design project called upon every aspect of GHK's service. A special elevator was designed for freight handling as was auxiliary air-conditioning equipment customized for the showroom. For the Episcopal Church Center (left), Greiwold, Heckel & Keiser coordinated ten floors of the institution's main headquarters in New York City from the preplanning stages with the building architects through to the completion of the installation. Plans for a bookshop and information center were incorporated into the building plans after a thorough research of the project.

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A model curriculum for interior design schools was the focus of the third annual meeting of the Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) held in New York at the end of April. Educators from across the U.S. gathered for a two-day session at Parsons School of Design and Pratt Institute to formulate a program of design education to be recommended for adaptation to all institutions of higher learning teaching interior design. The model curriculum, as proposed by IDEC, will be circulated to members after approval by the executive committee and is expected to be officially adopted in July.

Though the IDEC program will follow the lines of the interior design curriculum published by the AID, a thorough survey of all schools and curriculae will be undertaken. IDEC is now exploring the possibility of obtaining grants from professional societies or foundations to pursue intensive studies of such curriculae, surveys of existing practices, and standards of professional competence.

In polling the IDEC members to determine what areas of design most graduates enter, by majority, three areas were the most frequently sought for employment: architectural offices, contract work, and residential interior design. This significant direction of recent graduates will also figure in establishing the proposed curriculum.

It was generally conceded that only a five-year program could encompass the various courses necessary to graduate qualified designers ready to enter the industry. Although in agreement on the projected length of the program, educators stressed the problems involved in adopting it, not only for their particular institutions, but in standardizing it for schools and universities throughout the country.

Among the problems in formulating a design program are what the required studies should be, length of each course, the extent to which the humanities or liberal arts studies should be included, and whether and where they should be introduced. Most schools today offer design courses in which liberal arts subjects are taught, but the weight of these studies varies widely from school to school. In state universities, for instance, these subjects are required for the fine degree. In independent design schools where certificates of graduation are given, students may enter the school without a background in liberal arts, or may enroll after one or two years of liberal arts education in a junior college. A well-rounded program, IDEC believes, should include some form of liberal arts education, but fitting it into the presently accepted 4-year college program is almost a mathematical impossibility.

Other questions raised at the IDEC session involved specific subjects of the design program itself. To what extent should sketching, drafting, art and architecture history be stressed; how should the theory of design itself be better imparted to the design student? Visual presentation was acknowledged as the most important tool of communication between the designer and the instructor, and ultimately, the client. But schools vary greatly in their teaching approach to this subject. Some place greater emphasis on rendering others on model building, while still other schools...
ork in full scale, constructing the actual design project. IDEC members agreed, however, that endering was the quickest, easiest way to present a design idea, and should occupy an important place on any design curriculum.

Revamping and standardizing a design curriculum is not an easy matter, nor can it be accomplished overnight. The consensus at IDEC was that existing programs fall short of industry's present needs and the Council evinced an active concern in directing design programs toward a well-fledged commercial design education. Greater emphasis is already being placed on contract design, lighting, etc., as exemplified by student projects that include offices, airline ticket agencies, specialty stores, and restaurants.

The Interior Design Educators Council, formed three years ago, today includes 60 active members from schools offering interior design programs ranging from independent design schools to state universities. The Council's primary goal is "to improve, strengthen, and uplift" design education. Membership, which is limited to qualified educators who enroll for admission to the council, aims at including one representative from each major school across the country and in Canada. In addition to annual meetings, IDEC maintains a traveling library of student projects on colored slides, submitted by each member. These circulate on request, keeping members abreast of work being done in the various member schools.

WHAT ABOUT SENSITIVITY, TASTE, INTEGRITY? A DISSENTING COMMENT ON CONTRACT'S SPECIAL STUDY ON DESIGNER EDUCATION. BY MARVIN B. AFFRIME

The time has come to reexamine the condition of design education in the United States," is CONTRACT's premise. Certainly there can be no harrel with this basic fact which led off the special study on designer education in the April issue of CONTRACT.

It posed the question: "How can we achieve curriculums which will enable the designer to assume a full range of responsibilities in a profession that is intermeshed with the vital business fairs and operations of our society?"

The answer is simple: We can't, and probably shouldn't.

This is where I believe the special study of education went wrong. It went on the assumption at the designer should be a "generalist"—that he should combine the skills of bookkeeper and craftsman, management consultant and salesman. Not only must this one individual have a "bedside manner" in dealing with everyone from brickers to architects to clients, but he should know how to run the office and to "sketch, sculpt, paint,odel or build his way through the labyrinth of potentialities involved in the design problem."

In short, CONTRACT's study seems to be calling for a Renaissance man in the wildly complex 20th Century.

It is perhaps worthwhile to recite the many involvements of the design office, but it is foolhardy to expect, or even wish, the educational training of the student to be diluted with all these minutiae of detail. Exposure to the "ways of business" is a matter that may very well be handled through guest lectures by practicing professionals. But surely the student does not need familiarization with "the administration and operational makeup of advertising agencies, manufacturing company headquarters, hospital operation, research, and laboratory administration."

Expecting one man, fresh out of school, to be able to function as a well-rounded professional space planner and designer is like expecting a brand-new MD to perform open-heart surgery. If the patient dies, certainly medical education is not to blame.

What, then, should be expected of design schools?

I know what we want in our office. But we may be in the minority. And certainly we can't expect design education to be geared to supplying the needs of any one office.

The fact is that intelligent planning of design education must be based on thorough and objective studies of how the design field functions and how the best work is being produced. How do people start and how do they work their way up the design ladder? Does the field need generalists ... or specialists ... or both? What kind of
formal and informal continuing education can the design school graduate expect to find in the good design office? Is there a place for the dreamer as well as the pragmatist, the introvert as well as the super-salesman?

Some of the qualities and abilities of the designer are inborn; others can be taught. Some can be tested and graded by the teacher and evaluated objectively by the potential employer; others are matters of state-of-mind—of attitude and outlook.

The challenge to the design school is as much to encourage and feed the student’s attitudes as to sharpen his mechanical abilities. The added problem for education, however, seems to be that we designers apparently disagree on what we want.

Contract’s introduction and the article by fellow designer Lawrence Lerner both made points to which this writer takes sharp exception. Whom is education to satisfy? And do our two points of view constitute the only alternatives? Again, only a thorough and objective survey of the design field itself can serve as the basis for the realistic planning of design education.

Here are a few specific points of disagreement with the April articles:

**Quote:** “He [the design school graduate] should be psychically prepared to function in the world of business and economics . . . rather than in the realm of taste and fashion, or even Truth and Beauty . . .”

**Comment:** Why “rather than”? Isn’t one true test of the interior space planner and designer his ability to live at once in both worlds, to meet functional needs with taste and in fashion, to extend Truth and Beauty into the business environment?

**Quote:** “There is room, and plenty of it, for artists in the field of contract design. But the odd thing about the high-principled young people is that their ‘knowledge’ too often consists of a few rigid sets of solutions which they apply to any and all occasions.”

**Comment:** In our office we find that training in art-forms tends to foster a freer and more creative attitude, and this equips the young designer to bring fresh ideas and new approaches to the contract problem.

**Quote:** “He [the designer] should stick to his guns if he’s pretty sure he’s right . . .”

**Comment:** How can a designer be only “pretty sure” he’s right? The one essential quality of the good designer might be called design integrity—the maintenance of standards so impeccable that he becomes his own toughest client. This is one concept that the schools should drum into design students.

**Quote:** “Articulation and persuasion are necessary ingredients in a designer’s equipment—and he should learn more of these in his school year than he is learning now.”

**Comment:** Are we asking design schools to send us hot-shot salesmen? We interview dozens of persuaders who will never be designers, but we have to look long and hard to find the young design school graduate with the sensitivity, taste, integrity, and other qualities we consider essential. The only thing worth presenting is a thoroughly analyzed, thoroughly developed design solution to a particular problem. The intensive experience of solving the problem is the best preparation for an intelligent, forthright, and sensitive presentation. No graphic display of the solution can hide its lack of correctness or completeness. Nothing is more “saleable” to the client than the forthright explanation of the how and why of a particular design solution. So if the school training does teach this kind of design problem-solving it is doing a tremendous amount toward preparing its students for the important job of design presentation.

**Quote:** “It is almost impossible to assign a designer the task of planning and designing a complete job without working closely with his client throughout the conception, development, and specification stages.”

**Comment:** Thank God! In all fairness to design education, let’s recognize that intelligent supervision and formal internship plus continuing education are as important in design as in any other profession. In the design team, some of the most valuable education rubs off from working closely with experienced, talented, and creative designers. Schools can help guide the right people toward a design career and prepare them to make the most of the continuing education in a design office, but they can hardly be expected to produce full-fledged designers.

**Quote:** “The humdrum tasks which invariably accompany the more creative aspects of being a designer are discouraging to many . . .”

**Comment:** This may be true if the design office throws the total assignment, from start to finish, at one designer. It is hardly true when designers work as a team. A major task of the well-organized design office is the selection and scheduling of people and tasks so that individuals spend as much time as possible doing what they do best and/or enjoy most (almost invariably the two phrases can be used interchangeably). Surely a would-be designer should be aware of the many involvements of the contract design office; surely he should be taught self-discipline—Awareness—but not expertise—can be provided to the student through field trips, or guest l
improvements by practitioners, rather than through intensive study of ever-changing situations and problems.

**Quote:** "The schools accentuate the visual too heavily."

**Comment:** I strongly disagree. One of the most important contributions that the design school can make is to teach us to see. Notwithstanding all of the important technical, social, sociological, and other considerations, environmental design is essentially one of the most important visual business arts. The student should be taught to observe continually the things that surround him, the environments that he visits. He should analyze on a continuing basis, not only in his school years but also throughout his life, why he likes a particular environment, why it is comfortable, why it is pleasing to his eye, if it is well lighted, if the elements are properly arranged, if the materials are well selected, if it is a total concept. He should watch people at work in an environment and study, for example, the plight of the waiter in a badly laid-out restaurant, a cashier in an unstudied booth, an executive in a badly arranged room. Seeing is such an important attribute, and so few graduates of design schools ring it with them when they apply for a job.

**Quote:** "No designer should begin work on a sketch before he is thoroughly familiar with all the sources available."

**Comment:** How unrealistic! No one can know all the sources available. The need for the various elements which contribute to the total design concept of any space can be met on each project investigation and (yes, believe it or not!) by he development, or even invention, of new elements.

**Quote:** "Rendering is the surest way that a designer can evaluate his own talent."

**Comment:** Sorry is the designer whose powers of visualization are limited to being proved out through rendering—that unhappy crutch of most would-be designers. We all know how perspective drawings "lie," and we must be equally careful not to communicate these "lies" to our "less usual" clients.

**Quote:** "Unfortunately the interior designer is ill not completely welcome on the architect's team."

**Comment:** I don't believe the architect to be wrong who does not welcome the new graduate from any design school as representing a reputable design office. The architect knows the importance of internship and will welcome only representatives of a contract design office who have experience in the field. It seems to me very worthwhile if space planning as practiced by a very few of the top contract design firms would be discussed and even taught in the architectural schools. The architectural student also would benefit from a more careful study and analysis of some of the best solutions which outstanding interior designers have created within recent years. This is one way, perhaps the best way, for the architect to gain respect for those of us who specialize in the insides of his buildings. Perhaps, too, such an exposure for architectural students might be of sufficient interest so that some of them will decide to take their place in the contract design field as practicing contract designers. This would be all to the good. Some of the finest contract interiors of today have the guiding hand of architecturally trained designers who have concentrated in the field of contract design.

It should be obvious from this sampling of points of disagreement between two contributors to CONTRACT that only after a broad and intensive study of practices in the contract design field, and only after evaluation of many points of view, can valid recommendations for education be made. The goal of education should be qualitative and not merely quantitative. Its goal should be not merely to fill the vacant spots at the drawing boards, but to contribute to the improvement of contract design as a valid and respected service to commerce and industry.

Obviously, not everyone who completes even the finest design or architectural course will—or should—become a designer. It is in the practicing world that the graduate will prove whether he can be a fine and creative designer, or whether he has some other valid contribution to make as a member of the design team. In the hands of a sensitive employer, and in the process of internship and on-the-job education, the individual will achieve his own best place in the design world.

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**QUESTIONNAIRE FOR EDUCATION FORUM AVAILABLE**

The Special Study on Designer Education in our April issue has elicited such an unusual response, in terms of critical comment as well as in requests for additional copies from schools and designers, that we have decided to publish an Education Forum later this year. As Mr. Affrime points out in the preceding article, the number of possible viewpoints on the problems of designer education is virtually unlimited; we propose to permit as many as possible to appear in our Forum issue. To that end, a questionnaire will be mailed to a selected list of designers and educators. Individuals, schools, or trade groups who would like to present their views in the forthcoming issue should send a letter requesting copies of the questionnaire to:

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THE COMPLEAT OFFICE ENVIRONMENT

HOW TO USE FLORA (MEEK) AND FAUNA (WILD) FOR OBLITERATION OF THE INTERIOR-EXTERIOR SCHISM.

BY FORREST WILSON

The Rousseauan logic which insinuated planting into interiors, that grew from potted plant to sylvan glade, then mushroomed into simulations of the Amazon jungle, today threatens the very roots of architecture. Logically, such a progression calls for the introduction of quadruped herbivores into the wilds of contemporary office space, which presently provides a profusion of foliage far outstripping that enjoyed by them in their natural habitat, thus eliminating the last artificial barrier between interior and exterior space (which is after all the very definition of architecture).

One bold designer has taken this forward step and we plan to preview certain aspects of his work, although much is as yet on the boards and in the cages. The total scope of his concept hinges on negotiations presently taking place between the ASPCA and the Amalgamated Zoo Keepers of Upper Pradish on the one hand, and various professional design organizations on the other. Difficulty in these negotiations is being experienced in arriving at satisfactory trade discounts for alligators, a slow loris, and the Tasmanian wolf. Other species of carnivore and herbivore have been suitably classified and cataloged, and will shortly make their appearance with the new “lion.”

Wild birds will also be introduced into this interior. Among the many varieties of fowl on this project will be the extramarital lark, the double-breasted seersucker, the obscure egress, and of course birds of prey for religious observation. These variegated creatures, winging their way through the office spaces adding moving color and depositing bits of guano on interoffice memos, will be accompanied by bird calls piped through the air-conditioning system.

A certain number of feathered vertebrae engaged for habitation in these spaces will invariably be lost to some of the more carnivorous plants. But it is hoped the birds will develop nesting habits and propagate the kind in their new environment. The designer was encouraged to this conclusion by his careful observation of pigeons nonchalantly walking among the traffic on 42nd Street adjacent to Bryant Park. He has concluded from this study that bird brains will experience no difficulty in adjusting to this type of planning.

Seedlings of wild trees planted directly into the plaster will replace matched wall veneers as another revolutionary design feature, to the undoubtedly pleasure of executives and their dogs. Green lumber only will be employed in the manufacture of furniture. With regular watering and proper horticulture it is anticipated that a rich growth of foliage will sprout from arms, back and legs, furnishing a colorful and comfortable matting.

A prominent Viennese entomologist will train ants to parade across the conference room table during high level sessions. These ants, a special breed of Nairobi Speckled Pantheists have a diet restricted solely to green kumquats, which will be flown in for their feeding twice a day. The selection of this particular breed with the restrictive diet was to provide a suitable wild life setting or festive picnic atmosphere without the danger ants in the client’s pantry.

Several bears will be engaged...
Species represented: extramarital lark, double-breasted seersucker, low-swooping huckster, and swivel-jointed kickback

The aleatory chair—a happening

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amble throughout the corridors to further the wildlife theme. Although the bears will undoubtedly feel at home in this setting, there is the possibility of unduly alarming the more timid among the employees. The bears will be ingeniously painted fuchsia and chartreuse to match the carpeting, which should blend them into their environment to pacify the timid. Fuchsia bears, after all, are bearable.

Several elk and a moose will probably also be engaged during working hours. The difficulty of the moose antler spread in interiors has been foreseen by the design of a six-foot corridor, slightly larger than the usual moose antler dimension. However, it will be virtually impossible for the moose to turn around in the corridor; so a one-way moose has been constructed, a solution worthy of Mies van der Rohe. The moose will not work during the mating season since business machines emit noises strikingly similar to the moose mating call. It was feared that during these periods the moose might become enmeshed. Enmeshed moose merely mope and are therefore of little practical value.

The enumeration of the foregoing devices shows a fertile brain willing to adapt to the inevitable growth of design. Planting in such a mind sprouted to its inevitable conclusion. Employees spending their time in these spaces, as they gather around the water cooler muttering, “me Tarzan, you Jane,” will undoubtedly no longer be aware of the division between interior and exterior space. Architecture and interior design may well fuse through the disappearance of the building altogether. (C)
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LIGHTING MOTEL GUESTROOMS

“The average motel guest takes a dim view of poor lighting, even though he may not realize it,” say David L. Cotton, NSID, regional director of design for Howard Johnson’s Motor Lodge Division. “If the lighting in a room is well designed and attractive, it will rarely draw specific comment from guests. But just let a room be poorly lit by unattractive fixtures, unflattering harshness, or insufficient intensity, and you have a disgruntled, unhappy person on your hands.”

Cotton, working with Lowry M. Bell, Jr., executive architect for the Motor Lodge Division and vice president of construction, and Robert Turner, AIA assistant to the executive architect, has documented proof of their theories on the proper lighting of guestrooms. The team currently has more than 200 Howard Johnson’s Motor Lodges in 36 states serving as practical “research laboratories” on just such problems.

When the successful chain first introduced its “Room of Today” concept in 1962, at the opening of the $4 million, ten-story Motor Lodge in Washington D.C., the room’s carefully planned lighting was an integral part of its design. To achieve this goal, the Howard Johnson’s staff worked closely with noted lighting consultant Carl Loeber, now senior designer for Champion Manufacturing Co., Inc.

The problem at hand was simply to design the most effective manner of lighting guestrooms, allowing for easiest maintenance without sacrificing esthetics. The fixtures created for that original room have sin...
been refined through experimentation and experience, but the basic concepts conceived by Bell, Cotton, and Turner have remained the same.

The dominant lighting fixture in all Howard Johnson's guestrooms is the handsome horizontal bar with double cones affixed to the wall above the bed. The straight horizontal lines were specifically designed to create an illusion of length to the bed wall.

Light from the upper cone-shaped portion of these fixtures lends a pleasing wash of illumination to the rich wood paneling behind it. The lower, larger section of the cones provides excellent reading light.

A central console located on the headboard allows fingertip control, not only for these lights, but also for all fixtures in the room. Incorporated in the panel so is a dial-type dimmer switch.

The entire bed fixture may be utilized in the manner best befitting the needs of the individual guest. Each light is separately controlled from the console, and may be turned on or off at will, allowing occupants of either bed to create their own personal illumination needs.

The fixture itself has been designed to skillfully fit to six different color schemes, three to complement a blue toned decor, and three using gold as the primary color. Champion's engineers provided a special 'anodized' finish to the gold unit which offers an unusually high lustre effect, almost indistinguishable from polished brass. A high quality triple-coat baked (Continued on page 86)
enamel over aluminum is employed for the white and tan units.

Maintenance qualities were enhanced by the fact that the spun aluminum fixture is made in one piece of 1/8" gauge metal and is designed to effectively dissipate heat. A secondary benefit of the attractive conical shape is its chimney like effect which draws cigarette smoke, almost in the manner of a miniature ventilating hood.

A three-light drop fixture was created for the seating area of the room. For this unit, designer Loeb used opaque white acrylic in 4 by 4 inch cube shape of different lengths. A walnut spreader maintains the distance between each cube and adds a decorative touch to the fixture.

The same sleek looking acrylic cubes have been adapted to the special needs of bathroom and dressing room illumination. The Howard Johnson's staff experimented with many different types of bathroom illumination before perfecting lighting in this all-important area.

Research into guest preference proved that women in particular are partial to the type of lighting used in theater dressing rooms. Tried and discarded were illuminated ceilings and fluorescent canopies. To the latter, incidentally, proved the most unsatisfactory because of the unflattering harshness of its light. It was soon apparent to the staff that the soft quality of incandescent lighting, coupled with proper intensity, was the most acceptable method, particularly with feminine guests.

The resultant fixture, now used in all Howard Johnson's Motor Lodges, provides three identical acrylic cubes attached to a horizontal metal bar which is placed directly above the mirrors of the dressing table and the wash basin. The acrylic material offers a diffused, yet intense, down-light particularly suitable for make-up and shaving, and has received extremely favorable guest comment.

The two remaining fixtures in all guestrooms all carry out the Howard Johnson's theory of good design paired with strictly utilitarian usage. Single versions of the bed-light cones are employed for illumination of the built-in luggage rack and desk. The staff originally experimented with a standing desk lamp, but found that it created unnecessary clutter on the clean lines of the unit, while also adding to the maintenance of the room. It was shortly replaced by the more functional cones, attractively spaced on the wall, and separated by a colorful, framed picture.

Constant re-evaluation and analysis of every aspect of room design and decor has allowed Howard Johnson's to maintain a high degree of consistancy in the quality of all its many motor lodges. On the drawing boards at the present time are plans for the building of fifty to seventy-five new lodges per year with expansion headed in a westward direction.

Regional differences will bring new research into new designs, both in lighting and architecture. The basic concept, however, of understatement to create a sense of quiet elegance, as set forth in the original Howard Johnson's "Room of Today," will undoubtedly continue to be the dominant theme of the amazingly successful motor lodge operation.
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Drexel Enterprises enters the wood office furniture field with five new executive lines. The five new groups, two traditional and three modern, include desks, secretarial attachments, chairs, credenzas, conference and occasional tables. The groupings coordinate in finish with certain of Drexel's household furniture lines to offer greater diversity in choosing complementary and related furniture for executive offices. The Congressional Collection, shown, is basically Italian in origin and was inspired by the furniture Drexel supplied for the House of Representatives Bldg. in Washington, D.C. The American Bankers group is crafted exclusively of mahogany veneers and solids with brass accents.

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Expanded to 48-pages, the newest Scroll Aluminum Furniture catalog shows all lines in color and includes detailed information of help to specifiers, general instructions on maintenance, and typical illustrations of contract installations.

Downs Carpet Co., Inc. has just produced a new four color contract brochure showing forty different carpet patterns suitable for almost every type of contract installation. Photographically depicted is Downs carpeting in stores, offices, banks, churches, restaurants, and many other installations.

The entire Masland Duran vinyl wallcovering line of 18 patterns and four weight qualities is offered in a new swatch catalog. Swatches of each pattern are mounted in all colors with specifications and application instructions on the backside. The catalog has a three-ring construction with index tabs for each quality of vinyl wallcovering.

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If you're looking for a fountain, the “Guide to Better Fountain Designs” covers all phases of basic education necessary in the construction and selection of water displays. Issued by Roman Fountains of Van Nuys, the catalog offers a wide range of specialized information concerning the purchase of a fountain or waterfall with emphasis on selection of the correct pump, helpful hints in fountain care, advice on placement and location of various water displays.

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Browne-Morse Co. has issued new brochures and catalogs on the firm's office furniture lines. Two groups of office furniture, Horizon and the 2000 series, are reviewed with construction details, specification data, and color lines. Other brochures give complete details on Browne-Morse glider files and a special flyer describes the Montisa side file where maximum space utilization is needed for offices with heavy file loads.

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Trend Tile, a Gladding, McBean building product, is illustrated with a complete color palette and color reproductions in a new booklet from International Pipe & Ceramics Corp. The brochure gives specifications and descriptions of this economy tiling which is said to offer the advantages of genuine ceramic tile at a low price.

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